

Newton's method

Consider $x^2 - 1 = 0$

**** Iteration 1 ****

- ① Pick value starting at x_0 , $x_0 = 3$. Try $x_0 = 3$, if this fail try another value.
- ② Get $f'(x)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 - 1]$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} [x^2] - \frac{d}{dx} [1]$$

$$2x^{2-1} - 0$$

$$\boxed{f'(x) = 2x}$$

- ③ Get slope of tangent at $x = 3$

$$f'(3) = 2(3)$$

$$\boxed{f'(3) = 6}$$

- ④ Set equation of tangent line

$$y = mx + b$$

$$f'(3) = 6, m = 6$$

$$y = 6x + b$$

- ⑤ Get Domain and Range

Domain of x , for $y = 6x + b$ $(-\infty, \infty)$ No Restrictions

Get Range

$$\begin{array}{r} y = 6x + b \\ -b \quad -b \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\frac{y - b}{6} = \frac{6x}{6}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{y - b}{6} = x}$$

No Restrictions
for y

⑥ Get y value and y -intercept

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1$$

$$f(3) = (3)^2 - 1$$

$$f(3) = 8$$

$$y = 8$$

Use $(3, 8)$

$$y = 6x + b$$

$$8 = 6(3) + b$$

$$8 = 18 + b$$

$$-18 \quad -18$$

$$-10 = b$$

⑦ Summarize Equation

Equation of tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ at $x = 3$ is

$$y = 6x - 10$$

⑧ Find where tangent line crosses x -axis.

Solve for x

$$6x - 10 = 0$$

$$+10 \quad +10$$

$$6x = \frac{10}{6}$$

$$x = 5/3$$

$$x_1 = 5/3$$

1st Iteration Complete

**** Iteration 2 ****

① Define $x_1 = 5/3$

② Get $f'(x)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 - 1]$$

↓ refer to Iteration 1

$$\boxed{f'(x) = 2x}$$

③ Get slope of tangent at $x = 5/3$.

$$f'(5/3) = 2\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$$

$$\boxed{f'(5/3) = \frac{10}{3}}$$

④ Set equation of tangent line

$$y = mx + b \quad f'(5/3) = 10/3, m = 10/3$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{10x}{3} + b}$$

⑤ Get Domain and Range →

Domain of x for $y = \frac{10}{3}x + b$ $(-\infty, \infty)$ No Restrictions

Get Range

$$y = \frac{10x}{3} + b$$

$$-b \quad -b$$

$$y - b = \frac{10}{3}x$$

$$\frac{3}{10}(y - b) = \frac{3}{10} \cdot \frac{10}{3}x$$

$$\boxed{\frac{3}{10}y - \frac{3}{10}b = x}$$

↑ No Restrictions for y

⑥ Get y value and y -int

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1$$

$$f(5/3) = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2 - 1$$

$$f(5/3) = \frac{25}{9} - 1 \rightarrow \frac{25}{9} - \frac{9}{9} = \frac{16}{9}$$

$$\boxed{f(5/3) = \frac{16}{9}}$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$y = 16$$

$$\text{Use } (5/3, \frac{16}{9})$$

$$y = \frac{10}{3}x + b$$

$$\frac{16}{9} = \frac{10}{3}\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) + b$$

$$\frac{16}{9} = \frac{50}{9} + b$$

$$-\frac{50}{9} \quad -\frac{50}{9}$$

$$\boxed{-\frac{34}{9} = b}$$

⑦ Summarize Equation

Equation of tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ at $x = 5/3$ is

$$\boxed{y = \frac{10}{3}x - \frac{34}{9}}$$

⑧ Find where tangent line crosses x -axis
Solve for x

$$\frac{10}{3}x - \frac{34}{9} = 0$$

$$+ \frac{34}{9} \quad + \frac{34}{9}$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{10}\right) \frac{10}{3}x = \frac{34}{9} \left(\frac{3}{10}\right) \rightarrow x = \frac{34}{30} = \frac{17}{15}, \quad \boxed{x = 17/15} \quad \boxed{x_2 = 17/15}$$

** 2nd Iteration Complete **

* * Iteration 3 * *

① Define $x_2 = 17/15$

② Get $f'(x)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [x^2 - 1]$$



refer to Iteration 1

$$\boxed{f'(x) = 2x}$$

③ Get slope of tangent at $x = 17/15$

$$f'(17/15) = 2 \left(\frac{17}{15} \right)$$

$$\boxed{f'(17/15) = \frac{34}{15}}$$

④ Set equation of tangent line

$$y = mx + b \quad f'(17/15) = 34/15, m = 34/15$$

$$\boxed{y = \frac{34}{15}x + b}$$

⑤ Get Domain and Range

$$\text{Domain of } x \text{ for } y = \frac{34}{15}x + b \quad (-\infty, \infty) \text{ No Restrictions}$$

Get Range

$$y = \frac{34}{15}x + b$$

$$-b \quad -b$$

$$y - b = \frac{34}{15}x$$

$$\frac{3}{34}(y - b) = \frac{34}{34}x \cdot \frac{3}{34}$$

$$\frac{3}{34}y - \frac{3}{34}b = x$$

↖ No Restrictions for y

⑥ Get y value and y -int

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1$$

$$f(17/15) = (17/15)^2 - 1$$

$$\boxed{f(17/15) = \frac{64}{225}}$$

$$y = \frac{64}{225}$$

Use $(17/15, 64/225)$

$$y = \frac{34}{15}x + b$$

$$\frac{64}{225} = \frac{34}{15} \left(\frac{17}{15} \right) + b$$

$$\frac{64}{225} = \frac{578}{225} + b$$

$$- \frac{578}{225} = - \frac{578}{225}$$

$$\boxed{- \frac{514}{225} = b}$$

⑦ Summarize Equation

Equation of tangent line to the curve $y = f(x)$ at $x_2 = 17/15$ is

$$\boxed{y = \frac{34}{15}x - \frac{514}{225}}$$

⑧ Find where tangent line crosses x -axis. Solve for x

$$\frac{34}{15}x - \frac{514}{225} = 0$$

$$+ \frac{514}{225} = \frac{514}{225}$$

$$\left(\frac{15}{34} \right) \frac{34}{15}x = \frac{514}{225} \left(\frac{15}{34} \right)$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{257}{225}}$$

$$\boxed{x_3 = \frac{257}{225}}$$

Repeat for iteration 4, see slide.