

10.4.4.2.2

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Question: Find the values of k for following quadratic equations, so that they have two equal roots :

$$kx(x - 2) + 6 = 0 \quad (1)$$

Solution: For equal roots of a quadratic equation, the discriminant is zero i.e., For the quadratic $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ the discriminant $b^2 - 4ac = 0$.

$$kx(x - 2) + 6 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$kx^2 - 2kx + 6 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\therefore a = k, b = -2k, c = 6 \quad (4)$$

$$\therefore 4k^2 - 24k = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$k = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad k = 6 \quad (6)$$

but $k = 0$ doesn't make sense as no solution is obtained so, $k = 6$ is the answer.

So, the equation becomes

$$6x(x - 2) + 6 = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$6x^2 - 12x + 6 = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0 \quad (9)$$

1) **Theoretical Solution :**

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$(x - 1)^2 = 0 \implies x = 1 \quad (11)$$

2) **Numerical Solution :**

a) **Fixed point iteration Method :**

Say , we have to find roots of

$$f(x) = 0 \quad (12)$$

using algebra, we first solve for x i.e., $x = g(x)$ where, $g(x)$ is some other function formed after solving. then we select an initial guess x_0 , iterate using the formula

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) \quad (13)$$

Repeat this step until the difference between successive approximations $|x_{n+1} - x_n|$ is less than a specified tolerance ϵ .

say for our case , we choose $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$ and $x_0 = 1.5$ and $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$,

$$\therefore f(x) = 0 \quad (14)$$

$$x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0 \quad (15)$$

$$\sqrt{2x - 1} = x \quad (16)$$

$$\therefore g(x) = \sqrt{2x - 1} \quad (17)$$

So, the iterative equation is ,

$$x_{n+1} = \left(\sqrt{2x_n - 1} \right) \quad (18)$$

after computing , we obtain $x = 1.0014142$ which is pretty near to the theoretical solution.

b) **Newton-Raphson Method**

The Newton-Raphson method is an iterative technique to find the roots of a real-valued function $f(x)$. The update formula is given by:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \quad (19)$$

For the function $f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1$, the derivative is:

$$f'(x) = 2x - 2 \quad (20)$$

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 1 \quad (21)$$

$$f'(x) = 2x - 2 \quad (22)$$

The Newton-Raphson update formula becomes:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^2 - 2x_n + 1}{2x_n - 2} \quad (23)$$

After computing , we obtain $x = 0.999999$ which is pretty near to the solution.

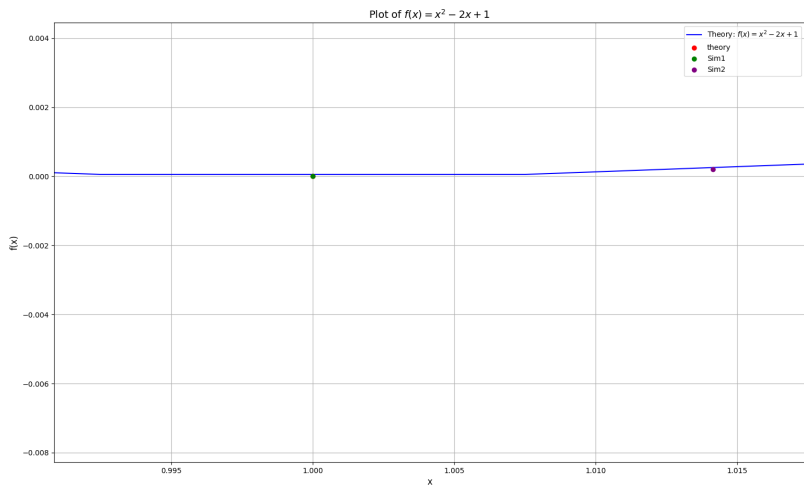
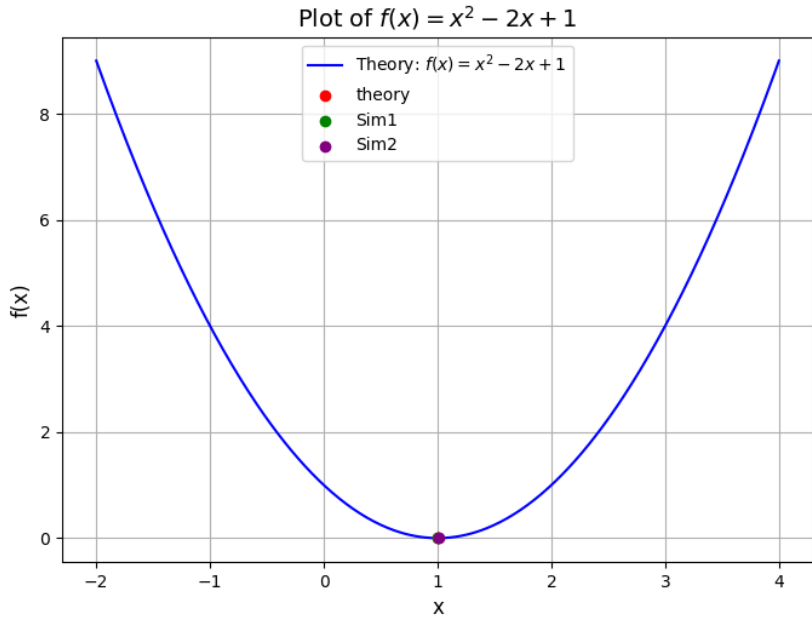


Fig. 2: Zoomed Form