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% % MATH 6321 (Dan Reynolds)
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% % Homework 1, Problem 2 (Computational)
% % This script finds the roots of the lagrange interpolant of the points given
% % by problem 2 of homework 1. It's a script which uses Newton's method to find
% % the roots of this particular function.
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clear;
% lagrange interpolant of 4 data points
f = @(x) (-4/5 + 4/495 + 8/9)*x.^3 + (-28/5+8/495 + 52/9)*x.^2 + ...
    (-31/5 + 13/1485 + 116/27)*x + (-119/135 + 14/13365 + 136/243);
% derivative of lagrange interpolant
fprime = @(x) 3*(-4/5 + 4/495 + 8/9)*x.^2 + 2*(-28/5+8/495 + 52/9)*x + ...
    (-31/5 + 13/1485 + 116/27);
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% Newton's method (reference text: Numerical Analysis by Sauer from
% previous course)
n = 10; %number of steps to use in newton solver
x = zeros(1,n+1); %set up solution vector
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% at most 3 roots -> 3 Newton solves with 3 initial guesses x0 = x(1)
x(1) = -1; % "x0"
for i = 1:n % start with "x0"
    x(i+1) = x(i) - f(x(i))/fprime(x(i)); % newton's method
end
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fprintf('The first root is %d \n',x(n+1));
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x(1) = -3;% "x0"
for i = 1:n
    x(i+1) = x(i) - f(x(i))/fprime(x(i));
end
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fprintf('The second root is %d \n',x(n+1));
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x(1) = -10;% "x0"
for i = 1:n
    x(i+1) = x(i) - f(x(i))/fprime(x(i));
end
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fprintf('The third root is %d \n',x(n+1));
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