

Chapter 0 (Taylor's Theorem) and Chapter 1 (Solving nonlinear equations)

Please submit carefully written solutions to the following exercises:

Exercises 0.2 1.8, 1.10, 1.11, and 1.15.

Exercise 0.2 (★ Homework problem). Write out the Taylor polynomial at x , about $a = 0$, of degree 5 for $f(x) = \sin(x)$. How does its derivative compare to the corresponding Taylor polynomial for $f(x) = \cos(x)$?

Exercise 1.8 (★ Homework problem). Write down the equation of the line that is tangential to the function f at the point x_k . Give an expression for its zero. Hence show how to derive Newton's method.

Exercise 1.10 (★ Homework problem). (i) Let q be your student ID number. Find k and m where $k - 2$ is the remainder on dividing q by 4, and $m - 2$ is the remainder on dividing q by 6.

(ii) Show how Newton's method can be applied to estimate the positive real number $m^{1/k}$. That is, state the nonlinear equation you would solve, and give the formula for Newton's method, simplified as much as possible.

(iii) Do three iterations by hand of Newton's Method for this problem, taking $x_0 = 1$.

Exercise 1.11 (★ Homework problem). Suppose we want to apply Newton's method to solving $f(x) = 0$ where f is such that $|f''(x)| \leq 10$ and $|f'(x)| \geq 2$ for all x . How close must x_0 be to τ for the method to converge?

Exercise 1.15 (★ Homework problem). Show that $g(x) = \ln(2x + 1)$ is a contraction on $[1, 2]$. Give an estimate for L . (Hint: Use the Mean Value Theorem).