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5.1.8 Exam: Application of Newton's method

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Problem: Behavior of Newton's method on this problem

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Consider the use of Newton's method on the following function:

$$r(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x + 2 \quad (5.13)$$

A plot of $r(x)$ is given in Figure 5.1.

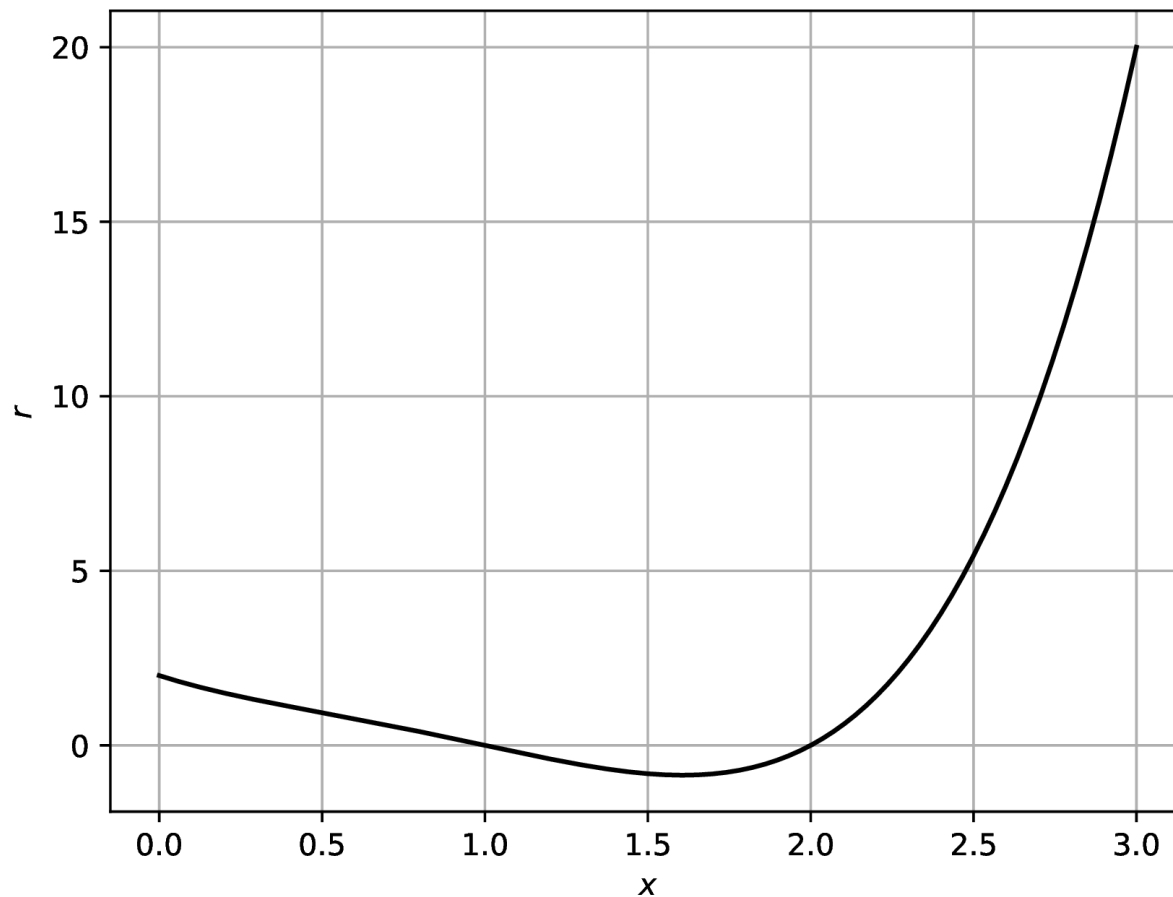


Figure 5.1: Plot of $r(x) = x^4 - 3x^3 + 3x^2 - 3x + 2$

Consider an initial guess of $x^0 = 1.5$. Which of the following is the result of applying one step of Newton's method (for four significant digits) for this initial condition?

☐ 0.000

☒ 0.4167



☒ 1.000

☐ 2.000

☐ 2.202

☐ 2.583

☐ 2.798



Consider an initial guess of $x^0 = 2.5$. Which of the following is the result of applying one step of Newton's method (for four significant digits) for this initial condition?

☐ 0.000

☐ 0.4167

☐ 1.000

☒ 2.000

☐ 2.202

☐ 2.583

☐ 2.798



What will the behavior of Newton's method be when applied to these two different initial guesses after many iterations:

☐ Both initial guesses will converge to $x = 1$

☒ One of the initial guesses will converge to $x = 1$ and the other to $x = 2$

☐ Both initial guesses will converge to $x = 2$

☐ None of the answers above are correct.



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