ME 3001 Lecture, Roots of Non-Linear Equations

• Theoretical/Analytical Solution Techniques

- solving the equation using exact mathematics
- leads to an exact or *analytical* solution

• Numerical Solution Techniques

- approximating the solution to the equation using varying methods, or algorithms
- leads to a approximate solution
- a.k.a. Numerical Method

• Method 3 - Newton -Raphson Method

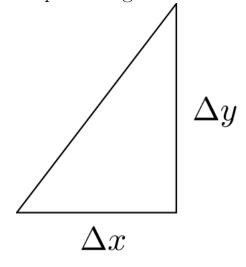
- Isaac Newton, mathematician and physicist, 1642-1727
- Joseph Raphson, English Mathematician, 1648-1715
- Taylor Series Derivation:

$$f(x) \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x - a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x - a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x - a)^{(n)}$$

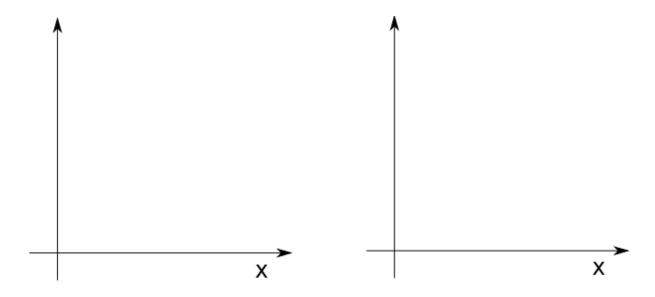
- Graphical Explanation:

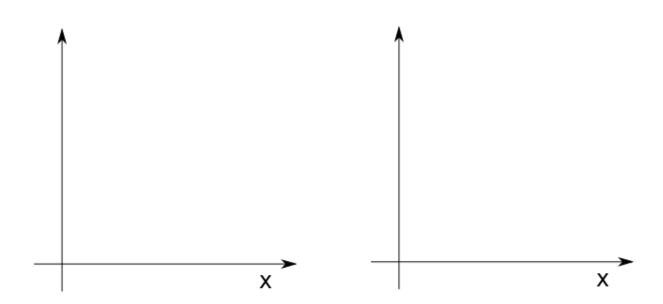


- Slope Triangle:

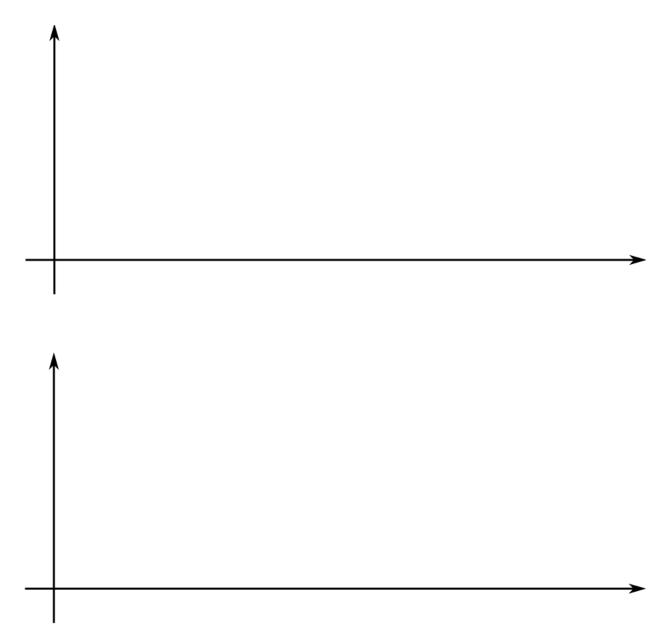


- sign is handled!





- Issues with the $Newton\,$ - Raphson Method



• Method 4 - Secant Method (modified Newton-Raphson)

- Forward Difference



- Backwards Difference



- Central Difference



- These are know as $\it Finite \ Difference \ Approximations$
- When used in the Newton-Raphson equation this becomes the $Secant\ Method$

- REMINDER MATLAB script from today's lecture will be posted on ilearn.