

Numerical Calculation HW1

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1 Newton's Method

Matlab implementation of this algorithm is attached. In numerical analysis, Newton's method is a root-finding algorithm which produces successively better approximations to the roots (or zeroes) of a real-valued function.

The program takes a function, an initial guess value, and an arbitrary amount of allowed approximation error.

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for i=1:100
    x(i+1)=x(i)-((f(x(i))/d(x(i)))));
    err(i)=abs((x(i+1)-x(i))/x(i));
    if err(i)<error
        break
    root=x(i)
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As seen above, this process is repeated until it reaches an acceptable error(err(i)). Here is an example of an input and the calculated output.

Input :

$$f(x) = x^2 - 3, x_0 = 3, \text{allowed} - \text{error} = 0.1 \quad (1)$$

Output :

$$\text{root} = 1.9633 \quad (2)$$