

COMPUTATIONAL AND NUMERICAL METHODS

Lab-2

Find the root of the equation

$$\cos x - xe^x = 0$$

by using

1. Newton-Raphson method. Take initial point $x_0 = 0$.
2. By using Secant method. Take initial points $x_0 = 0, x_1 = 1$.

Find the root correct up-to 6 decimal places i.e. $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$.

Solve the same problem by using a new method, given by

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \right)^2 \left(\frac{f''(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \right)$$

Take initial point $x_0 = 0$.

Find the root correct up-to 6 decimal places i.e. $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$.

Compare the above three methods in terms of number of iteration required to reach the root with desired accuracy ($\epsilon = 10^{-6}$). Comment on your experiment.