

Problem 1

Find the roots to the following functions $f(x)$.

(a) $f(x) = -x^2 + x + 2,$

(b) $f(x) = e^x - 2 - x,$

using:

1. **Fixed point iteration.** Choose your $g(x)$ and a tolerance of 10^{-9} . For (a) start with the following points $p_0 = \{2.5; 0.15; 1.5\}$. For (b) start with the following points $p_0 = \{2.5; 0.15; 0.25\}$. What can you say about the convergence? **Explain.**

For the fixed point iteration, I chose my $g(x)$ to be...

$$g_a(x) = \pm\sqrt{x+2} \quad (1)$$

$$g_b(x) = e^x - 2 \quad (2)$$

for (a) and (b), respectively. I chose $g_a(x) = \pm\sqrt{x+2}$ instead of...

$$g_a(x) = x^2 - 2 \quad (3)$$

because $g_a(x) = x^2 - 2$ would not work for $p_0 = 2.5$. Plugging the $p_0 = 2.5$ into $g'_a(x) = 2x$ is 5, would break the rule of fixed point iterations, where...

$$|g'(x)| < k < 1 \quad \forall x \in [a, b] \quad (4)$$

In most cases, using the negative of (1) would result in imaginary numbers, but given that Matlab extends its functionality into complex numbers, the function $g_a(x) = -\sqrt{x+2}$ works in the complex number space and $g'_a(x)$ is never larger than 1 for the given p_0 s.

Another note is that since the $g_b(x) = e^x - 2$, a $p_0 = 2.5$ would not work because plugging $p_0 = 2.5$ into $g'_b(x) = e^x$ is $e^{2.5} > 1$ which breaks the rule of fixed point iterations.

The graphs of the convergence are plotted below. The fixed point iteration of $g_a(x)$ converges on both the roots, $x = 2$ and $x = -1$, where as $g_b(x)$ only converges on one of the roots, $x = -1.84$

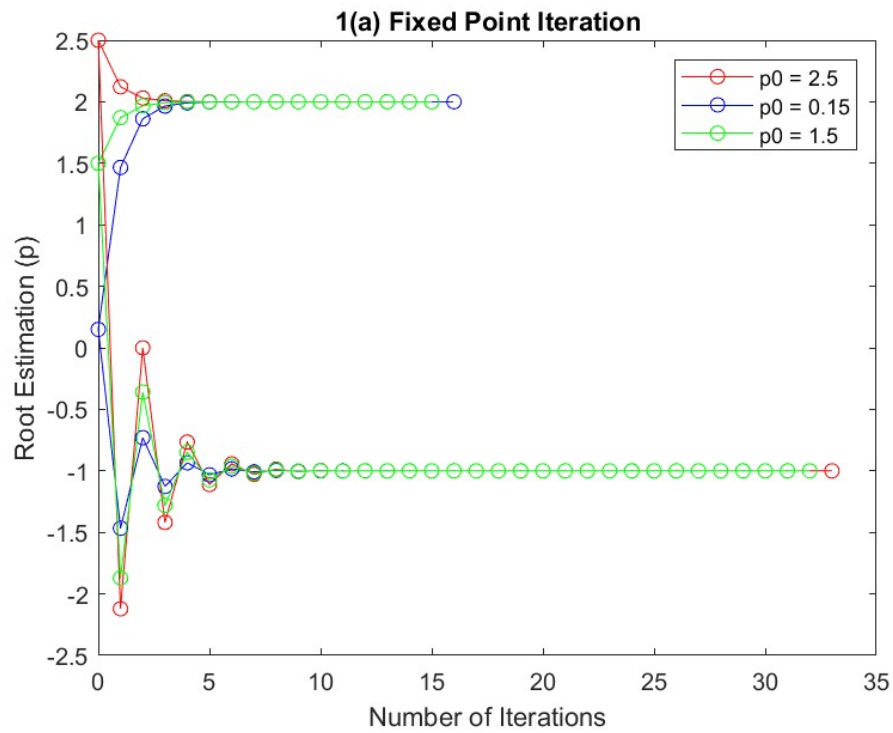


Figure 1: 1(a) Fixed Point Iteration

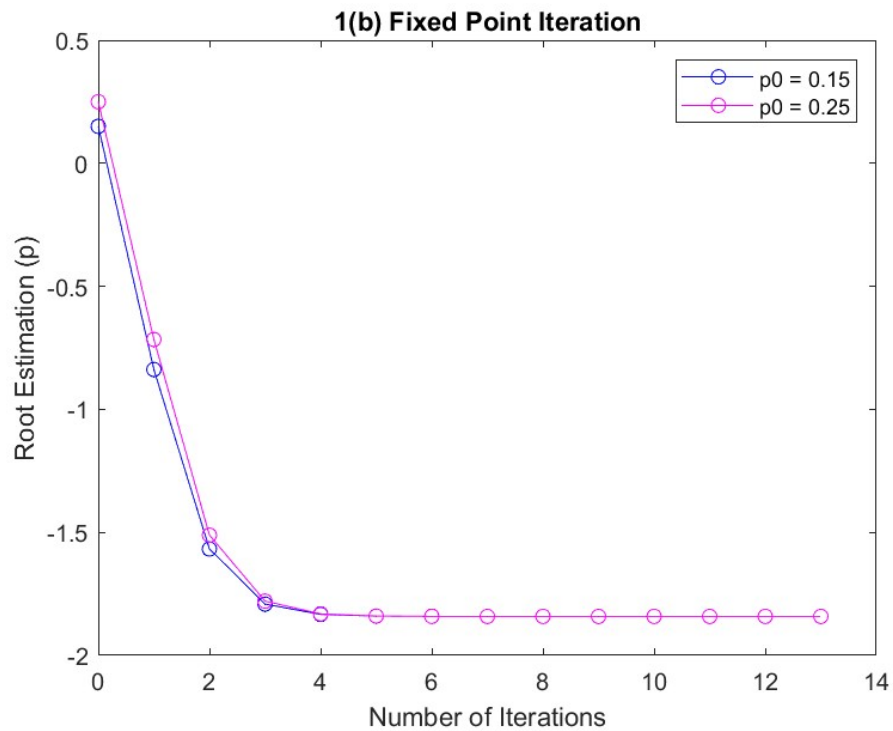


Figure 2: 1(b) Fixed Point Iteration

2. **Bisection method.** Choose a tolerance of 10^{-9} . For (a) and (b) use the intervals $x \in [-4.0; 1.0]$ and $x \in [0.5; 3.0]$. What can you say about the convergence? **Use plots and discuss.**

For the functions...

$$f_a(x) = -x^2 + x + 2 \tag{5}$$

$$f_b(x) = e^x - x - 2 \tag{6}$$

The roots are at $x = -1$, $x = 2$ and $x \approx -1.84$, $x \approx 1.15$ respectively. Since we use the intervals $x \in [-4.0; 1.0]$ and $x \in [0.5; 3.0]$, these intervals are perfectly placed such that they are between the two roots in each equation. Thus, they will converge on those roots as shown in figures 3 and 4.

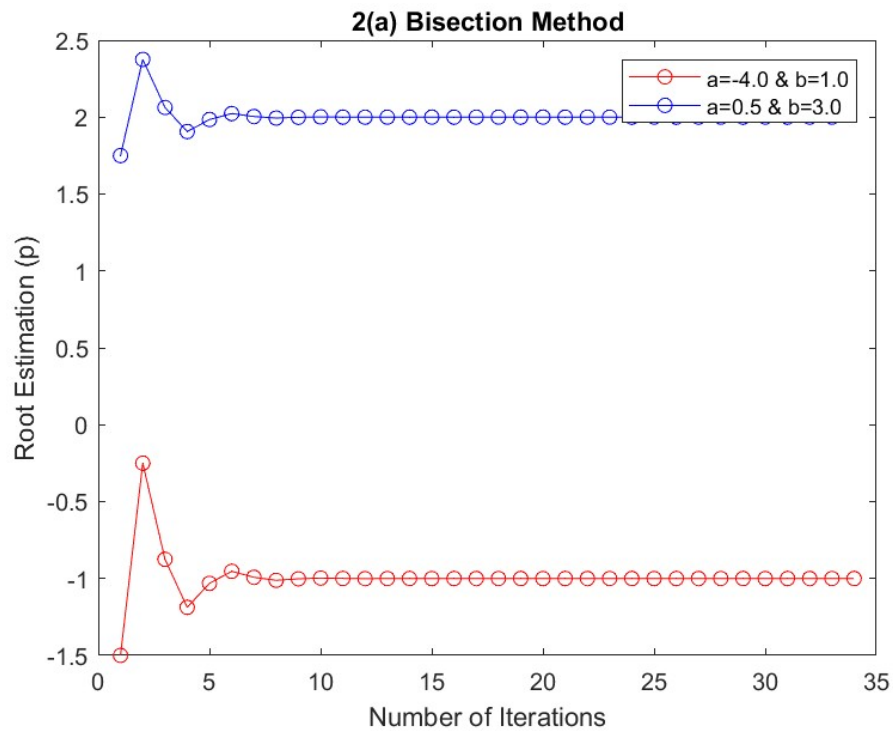


Figure 3: 2(a) Bisection Method

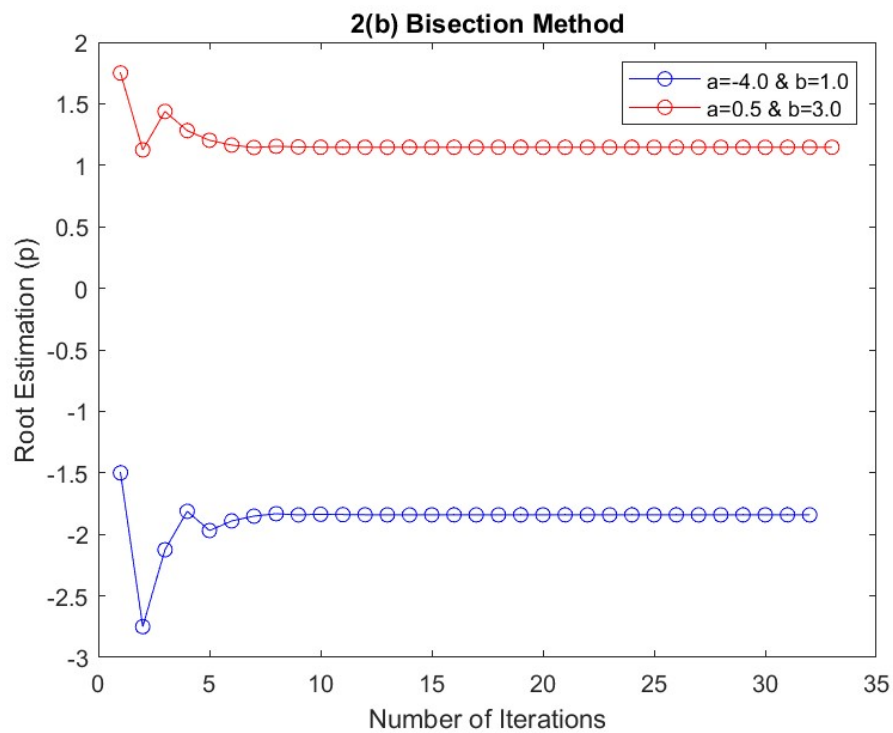


Figure 4: 2(b) Bisection Method

3. **Newton's method.** Choose $\delta = \epsilon = 10^{-9}$. For (a) and (b) start with the following points $p_0 = \{-3.0; 0.0; 6.0\}$. What can you say about the convergence? **Use plots and discuss.** For the functions...

$$f_a(x) = -x^2 + x + 2 \quad (7)$$

$$f_b(x) = e^x - x - 2 \quad (8)$$

The points $p_0 = \{-3.0; 0.0; 6.0\}$ all converge for $f_a(x)$ because none of the points are located at or very close to a local minimum or maximum where...

$$f'_a(x) = -2x + 1 = 0, \quad x = 0.5 \quad (9)$$

However, for $f_b(x)$, the point $p_0 = 0.0$ does not converge because $x = 0.0$ is located at a local minimum where...

$$f'_b(x) = e^x - 1 = 0, \quad x = 0.0 \quad (10)$$

thus, it is omitted from figure 6 below.

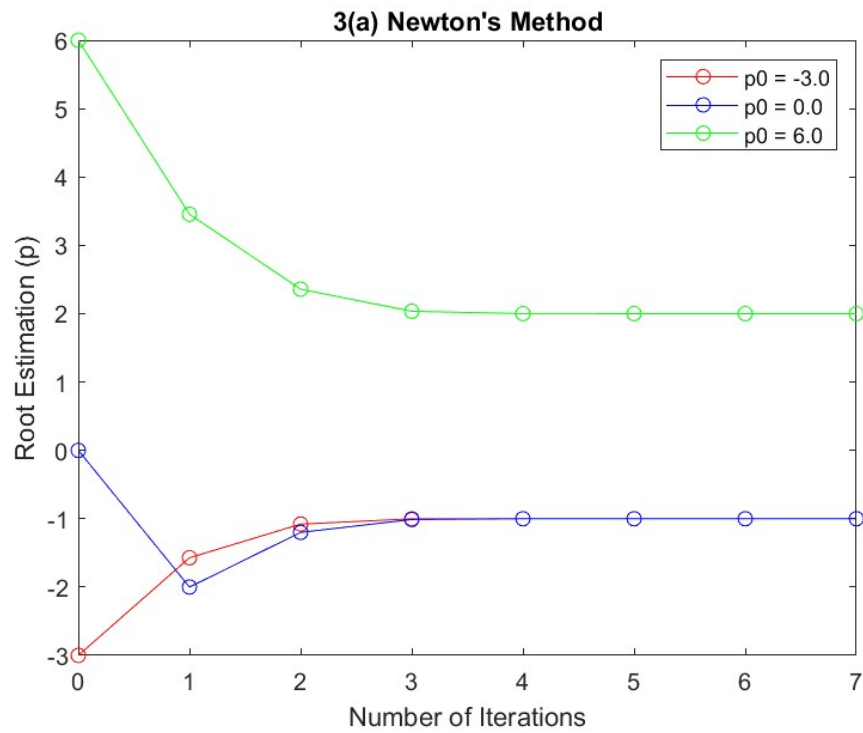


Figure 5: 2(a) Newton's Method

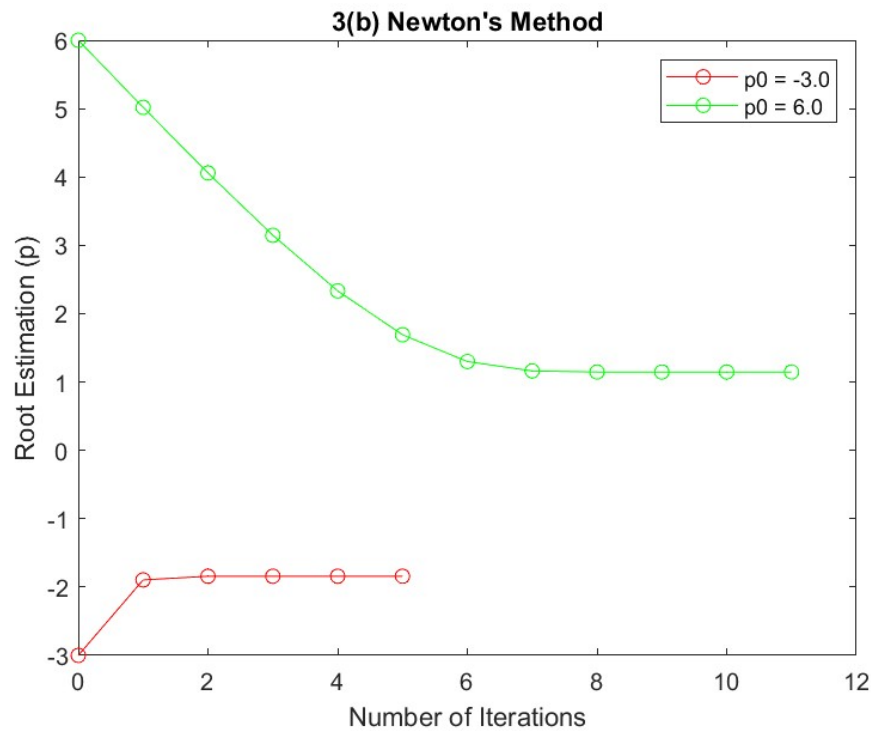


Figure 6: 2(b) Newton's Method

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1 function [root, iteration, guess_list] = fixed_point_iteration(g, tolerance,
2     guess)
3     x0 = guess;
4     flag = true;
5     iteration = 0;
6     max_iterations = 1000;
7     guess_list = [guess];
8
9     while (flag || (iteration < max_iterations))
10         x = g(x0);
11         if (abs(x-x0) < tolerance)
12             flag = false;
13             root = x;
14             break
15         end
16         x0=x;
17         guess_list = [guess_list, x0];
18         iteration = iteration + 1;
19     end
end
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fixed_point_iteration.m

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1 function [root, iterations, guess_list] = bisection_method(f, a,b, tolerance)
2     iterations = 0;
3     tol = 1;
4     if ( f(a) == 0 )
5         root = a;
6         return;
7     elseif ( f(b) == 0 )
8         root = b;
9         return;
10    elseif ( f(a) * f(b) > 0 )
11        fprintf('f(a) and f(b) do not have opposite signs');
12        return;
13    end
14
15    guess_list = [];
16
17    while (tol>tolerance)
18        iterations = iterations+1;
19        mid=(a+b)/2;
20        fa=f(a);
21        fb=f(b);
22        fmid=f(mid);
23        guess_list = [guess_list, mid];
24
25        if (fa*fmid < 0)
26            b=mid;
27            tol = abs(fa-fmid);
28        elseif (fb*fmid <0)
29            a=mid;
30            tol = abs(fb-fmid);
31        elseif (fmid==0)
32            root = mid;
33            tol=0;
34        else
35            fprintf('f(a), f(b), and f(mid) all have the same sign\n');
36            root = "N/A";
37            return;
38        end
39        root = mid;
40    end
41 end
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bisection_method.m


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1 function [root, iterations, guess_list] = newtons_method(f, fprime, guess1,  
    delta)  
2     iterations = 0;  
3     tol=1;  
4     guess = guess1;  
5     guess_list = [guess];  
6     while (tol>delta || abs(f(guess))>delta)  
7         iterations = iterations+1;  
8         x = guess;  
9         prime = fprime(x);  
10        guess = x-(f(x)/prime);  
11        if (isnan(guess) || isinf(guess))  
12            fprintf("x=%0.2f is or is near a local maximum or minimum so  
results in an error\n",guess1)  
13            root = "N/A";  
14            return;  
15        end  
16        guess_list = [guess_list, guess];  
17        tol = abs(f(guess)-f(x));  
18    end  
19    root=guess;  
20 end
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newtons_method.m

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1 %% Zack Humphries
2 % COMP 521
3 % HW5
4
5 clc;           % clear command window
6 clear;        % removes all saved variables
7 close all;    % close any open windows
8
9
10 %% 1(a)
11 ga = @(x) (x+2)^(1/2);
12 tol = 10^(-9);
13
14 p0 = [2.5 0.15 1.5];
15 plot_color_setting = ["-or", "-ob", "-og"];
16 fprintf("Fixed Point Iteration:\n")
17 fprintf("a)\n")
18 for n=1:3
19     [root, iterations, guess_list] = fixed_point_iteration(ga, tol, p0(n));
20     fprintf("With p0=%2f, the root is %2f and it took %i iterations to find\n", p0(n), root, iterations)
21     plot([0:1:iterations], guess_list, plot_color_setting(n))
22     hold on
23 end
24
25 ga = @(x) -(x+2)^(1/2);
26 for n=1:3
27     [root, iterations, guess_list] = fixed_point_iteration(ga, tol, p0(n));
28     fprintf("With p0=%2f, the root is %2f and it took %i iterations to find\n", p0(n), root, iterations)
29     plot([0:1:iterations], guess_list, plot_color_setting(n))
30     hold on
31 end
32 title("1(a) Fixed Point Iteration")
33 xlabel("Number of Iterations")
34 ylabel("Root Estimation (p)")
35 legend("p0 = 2.5", "p0 = 0.15", "p0 = 1.5")
36 fprintf("\n")
37 hold off
38
39
40 % 1(b)
41 gb = @(x) exp(x)-2;
42 plot_color_setting = ["-ob", "-om"];
43 fprintf("b)\n")
44 figure(2)
45 p0 = [0.15 0.25]; % 2.5 doesn't work
46 for n=1:2
47     [root, iterations, guess_list] = fixed_point_iteration(gb, tol, p0(n));
48     fprintf("With p0=%2f, the root is %2f and it took %i iterations to find\n", p0(n), root, iterations)
49     plot([0:1:iterations], guess_list, plot_color_setting(n))
50     hold on
51 end
52 title("1(b) Fixed Point Iteration")

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53 xlabel("Number of Iterations")
54 ylabel("Root Estimation (p)")
55 legend("p0 = 0.15", "p0 = 0.25")
56 fprintf("\n")
57 hold off
58
59 %% 2(a)
60 fa = @(x) -(x^2)+x+2;
61 fb = @(x) exp(x)-x-2;
62 figure(3)
63
64 range1 = [-4.0 1.0];
65 range2 = [0.5 3.0];
66 fprintf("Bisection Method:\n")
67 fprintf("a)\n")
68 [root, iterations, guess_list] = bisection_method(fa, range1(1),range1(2), tol
);
69 plot([1:1:iterations], guess_list, '-or')
70 fprintf("With a=%.2f and b=%.2f, the root is %.2f and it took %i iterations to
find the root\n", range1(1), range1(2), root, iterations)
71 hold on
72 [root, iterations, guess_list] = bisection_method(fa, range2(1),range2(2), tol
);
73 plot([1:1:iterations], guess_list, '-ob')
74 fprintf("With a=%.2f and b=%.2f, the root is %.2f and it took %i iterations to
find the root\n", range2(1), range2(2), root, iterations)
75 fprintf("\n")
76 title("2(a) Bisection Method")
77 xlabel("Number of Iterations")
78 ylabel("Root Estimation (p)")
79 legend("a=-4.0 & b=1.0", "a=0.5 & b=3.0")
80 hold off
81
82 %% 2(b)
83 figure(4)
84 fprintf("b)\n")
85 [root, iterations, guess_list] = bisection_method(fb, range1(1),range1(2), tol
);
86 plot([1:1:iterations], guess_list, '-ob')
87 fprintf("With a=%.2f and b=%.2f, the root is %.2f and it took %i iterations to
find the root\n", range1(1), range1(2), root, iterations)
88 hold on
89 [root, iterations, guess_list] = bisection_method(fb, range2(1),range2(2), tol
);
90 plot([1:1:iterations], guess_list, '-or')
91 fprintf("With a=%.2f and b=%.2f, the root is %.2f and it took %i iterations to
find the root\n", range2(1), range2(2), root, iterations)
92 fprintf("\n")
93 title("2(b) Bisection Method")
94 xlabel("Number of Iterations")
95 ylabel("Root Estimation (p)")
96 legend("a=-4.0 & b=1.0", "a=0.5 & b=3.0")
97 hold off
98
99

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100 %% 3(a)
101 fprimea = @(x) -2*x+1;
102 fprimeb = @(x) exp(x)-1;
103 figure(5)
104
105 p0 = [-3.0 0.0 6.0];
106 plot_color_setting = ["-or", "-ob", "-og"];
107 fprintf("Newton's Method:\n")
108 fprintf("a)\n")
109 for n=1:3
110     [root, iterations, guess_list] = newtons_method(fa, fprimea, p0(n), tol);
111     plot([0:1:iterations], guess_list, plot_color_setting(n))
112     hold on
113     fprintf("With p0=%2f, the root is %2f and it took %i iterations to find\n", p0(n), root, iterations)
114 end
115 fprintf("\n")
116 title("3(a) Newton's Method")
117 xlabel("Number of Iterations")
118 ylabel("Root Estimation (p)")
119 legend("p0 = -3.0", "p0 = 0.0", "p0 = 6.0")
120 fprintf("\n")
121 hold off
122
123 % 3(b)
124 fprintf("b)\n")
125 figure(6)
126 for n=1:3
127     [root, iterations, guess_list] = newtons_method(fb, fprimeb, p0(n), tol);
128     if (isnumeric(root))
129         plot([0:1:iterations], guess_list, plot_color_setting(n))
130         hold on
131     end
132     fprintf("With p0=%2f, the root is %2f and it took %i iterations to find\n", p0(n), root, iterations)
133 end
134 fprintf("\n")
135 fprintf("\n")
136 title("3(b) Newton's Method")
137 xlabel("Number of Iterations")
138 ylabel("Root Estimation (p)")
139 legend("p0 = -3.0", "p0 = 6.0")

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main.m