

## 0.1

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### Root Finding in One Dimension: Answer

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## 0.1 Root Finding in One Dimension

### Question 1

In order to find the roots of  $2x + 5 - 3 \sin x = 0$ , it is sufficient to plot the range  $[-4, -1]$  because

- (i)  $2x + 5 < -3 \leq -|3 \sin x|$  for  $x < -4$ ,
- (ii)  $2x + 5 > 3 \geq |3 \sin x|$  for  $x > -1$ .

Hence there can be no root outside the range  $[-4, -1]$ . See figure 1 for plots of  $2x + 5$  and  $3 \sin x$  in the range  $[-4, -1]$ ; the program can be found on page 10.

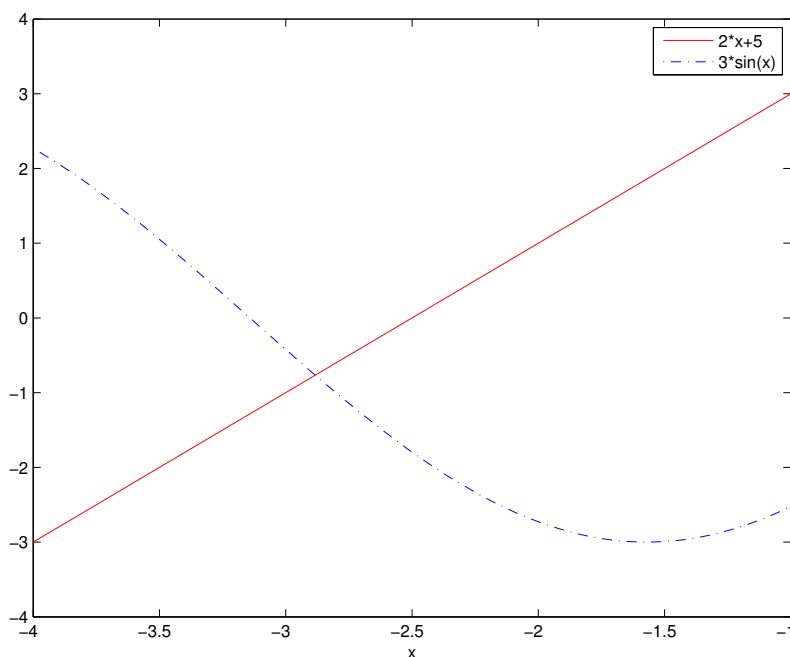


Figure 1: Plot of  $2x + 5$  and  $3 \sin x$ .

Moreover, there can be no root in  $-4 < x < -\pi$  or  $-5/2 < x < -1$  since  $2x + 5$  and  $3 \sin x$  have opposite signs in these ranges. That leaves the interval  $[-\pi, -5/2]$  where  $2x + 5$  is increasing from negative to zero and  $3 \sin x$  is decreasing from zero to negative, giving exactly one intersection. We conclude that there is only one root of  $2x + 5 - 3 \sin x = 0$  and that it is in the interval  $[-\pi, -5/2]$ .

### Binary Search: Programming Task

A program using binary search to solve  $2x + 5 - 3 \sin x = 0$  is listed on page 11. Results for a

Table 1: Binary search results

Initial Interval	Number of Iterations	Final Iterate	Bound on Truncation Error
$[-3.0, -2.0]$	18	$x_{18} = -2.8832359 \dots$	$\pm 0.0000038 \dots$
$[-\pi, -5/2]$	17	$x_{17} = -2.8832414 \dots$	$\pm 0.0000049 \dots$
$[-5\pi/4, -3\pi/4]$	19	$x_{19} = -2.8832397 \dots$	$\pm 0.0000030 \dots$

representative number of runs are listed in table 1.

#### Comments

Use titles, etc. to differentiate parts of your answers.

Remember to append printouts of your programs.

Figures can be included in-line, overleaf on a separate page, or clumped at the end of your project (but in the latter case you must include a page reference).

Black and white figures are fine.

Make it obvious that you have done the multiple runs requested.

#### Marking Scheme

$+\frac{1}{2}$  programming mark for program and graph.

$+1$  theory mark for choice of bounds and other reasoning.

$+1\frac{1}{2}$  programming marks for program and output.

## Question 2

Suppose the final interval is  $[a, b]$ . If the computed values of  $F(a)$  and  $F(b)$  are both greater in magnitude than  $\delta > 0$ , then we can be sure that the exact values of  $F(a)$  and  $F(b)$  have opposite sign, and the root  $x_*$  lies in the interval  $(a, b)$ . If the computed value of  $F(a)$ , say, is less in magnitude than  $\delta$ , then the exact value may have the other sign, but will also be less in magnitude than  $\delta$ . Further,

$$F(a) \approx F'(x_*)(a - x_*),$$

and hence in this case

$$|a - x_*| \approx \left| \frac{F(a)}{F'(x_*)} \right| \leq \frac{\delta}{|F'(x_*)|}.$$

+1 theory mark for estimate of accuracy.

So the approximation  $\frac{1}{2}(a + b)$  for the root has an error bounded, more-or-less, by

$$\frac{1}{2}(b - a) + \frac{\delta}{|F'(x_*)|}.$$

Given that  $|F'(x)| > 4$  for  $-5\pi/4 < x < -3\pi/4$ , and since  $x_* \in (-5\pi/4, -3\pi/4)$ , it follows that if the iteration is terminated when  $\frac{1}{2}(b - a) < 0.5 \times 10^{-5}$ , the error is bounded by

$$0.5 \times 10^{-5} + \frac{1}{4}\delta.$$

Give a mathematical justification of your reasoning, and use the hint in the question.

## Fixed-Point Iteration: Programming Task

A program using this method is listed on page 12.

## Question 3

For  $F(x) = 2x + 5 - 3 \sin x$  and  $k \neq -2$ , we seek a solution to  $F(x) = 0$  by means of the fixed-point iteration scheme

$$x_N = f(x_{N-1}) = \frac{3 \sin x_{N-1} + kx_{N-1} - 5}{2 + k}. \quad (1)$$

**Divergence.** The first few iterations with  $k = 0$  and  $x_0 = -2$ , are illustrated in figure 2. The iteration rapidly settles down to the two-point oscillation shown in figure 3. The program for figure 2 can be found on page 13; the program for figure 3 is almost identical and is omitted. For  $x_N$  close to  $x_*$ ,

+1 programming mark for graphs.

$$\begin{aligned} x_N = f(x_{N-1}) &= f(x_*) + f'(x_*)(x_{N-1} - x_*) + \dots \\ &= x_* + f'(x_*)(x_{N-1} - x_*) + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Thus, writing  $\epsilon_N = x_N - x_*$ ,

$$\epsilon_N \approx f'(x_*) \epsilon_{N-1}. \quad (3)$$

It follows that the iteration will diverge if

+1 theory mark for explaining divergence.

$$|f'(x_*)| \equiv \left| \frac{3 \cos x_* + k}{2 + k} \right| > 1 \quad (4)$$

This is the case for  $x_* = -2.88323687\dots$  and  $k = 0$ , which explains why the iteration in figures 2 and 3 does not converge. Conversely the iteration can converge if  $|f'(x_*)| < 1$ .

Use paragraph headings to identify answers to different parts of a multi-part question.

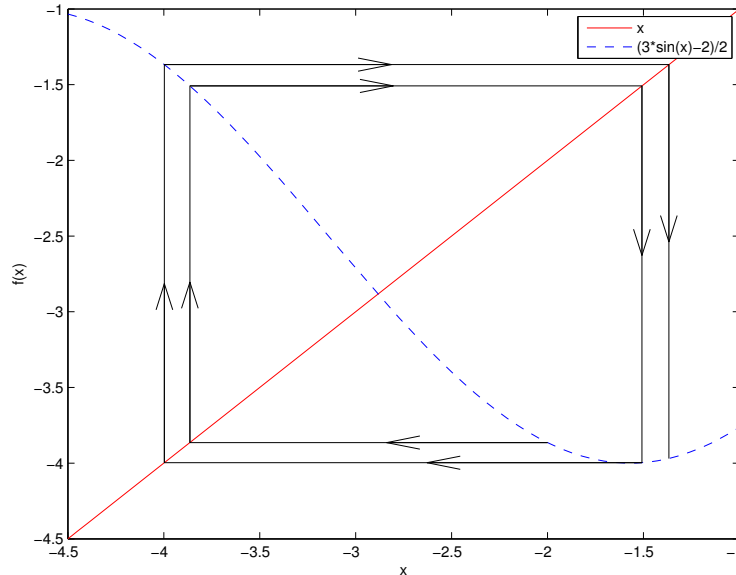


Figure 2: The first few iterations based on (1) with  $k = 0$  and  $x_0 = -2$ .

**Convergence.** From the mean-value theorem we know that if a function  $f$  is continuous on the closed interval  $[a, b]$ , and differentiable on the open interval  $(a, b)$ , there exists some  $\xi \in (a, b)$  such that

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(\xi)(b - a).$$

It follows that

$$x_N - x_* = f(x_{N-1}) - f(x_*) = f'(\xi)(x_{N-1} - x_*),$$

for some  $\xi$  in  $(x_{N-1}, x_*)$ . Hence if  $|f'(\xi)| < 1$  for all  $\xi \in [-\pi, -\pi/2]$ , and if  $x_{N-1}$  is in this interval, then, since  $f$  is continuous and the interval closed, it follows that the iteration is a *contraction mapping*, the iterates will remain in this interval, and the iteration will converge. Further,

$$|f'(\xi)| = \left| \frac{(3 \cos \xi + k)}{(2 + k)} \right| < 1 \quad \text{for all } \xi \in [-\pi, -\pi/2] \text{ if } k > \frac{1}{2}.$$

Thus convergence is guaranteed if  $x_0 \in [-\pi, -\pi/2]$  and  $k > \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Monotonic/oscillatory convergence.** Calculations also show that  $f'(x_*)$  changes sign from negative to positive as  $k$  increases through  $k_c \approx 2.9$ . Given a sufficiently good initial guess,  $x_0$ , iterations using a value of  $k$  slightly greater/less than  $k_c$  should therefore yield rapid *monotonic/oscillatory* convergence since  $f'(x_*)$  will be small and positive/negative. This is illustrated in tables 2 and 3.

Table 2: Iterates with  $k = 3.5$  and  $x_0 = -2$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$	$f'(x_N)$
0	-2.0000000	8.832369e-01		
1	-2.6777986	2.054383e-01	0.2325970	0.1485300
2	-2.8571507	2.608618e-02	0.1269782	0.1128263
3	-2.8803442	2.892679e-03	0.1108894	0.1094173
4	-2.8829210	3.159219e-04	0.1092143	0.1090560
5	-2.8832024	3.444623e-05	0.1090340	0.1090168
6	-2.8832331	3.755134e-06	0.1090144	0.1090125
7	-2.8832365	4.093556e-07	0.1090122	0.1090120

+1 theory mark for explaining convergence and identifying  $k > \frac{1}{2}$ .

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  theory mark for explanation of type of convergence.

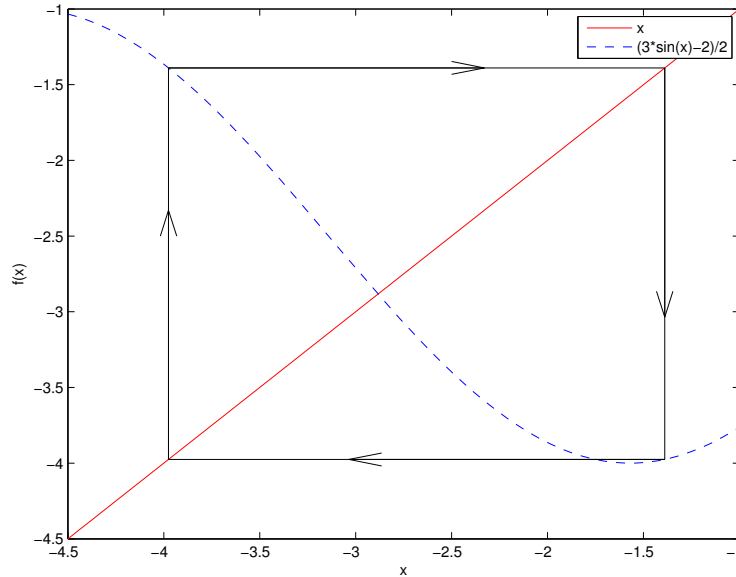


Figure 3: Later iterations based on (1) with  $k = 0$  and  $x_0 = -2$  illustrating a two-point oscillation.

Table 3: Iterates with  $k = 2.5$  and  $x_0 = -2$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$	$f'(x_N)$
0	-2.0000000	8.832369e-01		
1	-2.8284205	5.481637e-02	0.0620630	-0.0786852
2	-2.8878412	-4.604324e-03	-0.0839954	-0.0897628
3	-2.8828254	4.115123e-04	-0.0893752	-0.0889152
4	-2.8832735	-3.660414e-05	-0.0889503	-0.0889916
5	-2.8832336	3.257347e-06	-0.0889885	-0.0889848
6	-2.8832372	-2.898553e-07	-0.0889851	-0.0889854

**Slower convergence and magnitude of truncation error.** Alternatively taking  $k = 16$  and  $x_0 = -2$  results in the slower convergence illustrated in table 4. Further, we note

Table 4: Iterates with  $k = 16$  and  $x_0 = -2$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$	$f'(x_N)$
0	-2.0000000	8.832369e-01		
1	-2.2071051	6.761317e-01	0.7655158	0.7898504
2	-2.3736981	5.095388e-01	0.7536087	0.7689931
3	-2.5035020	3.797349e-01	0.7452521	0.7550165
4	-2.6023900	2.808468e-01	0.7395866	0.7458692
5	-2.6765887	2.066482e-01	0.7358039	0.7399189
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
30	-2.8831617	7.516634e-05	0.7277559	0.7277569
31	-2.8831822	5.470270e-05	0.7277553	0.7277560
32	-2.8831971	3.981016e-05	0.7277548	0.7277554
33	-2.8832079	2.897202e-05	0.7277545	0.7277549
34	-2.8832158	2.108451e-05	0.7277543	0.7277546

from (2) that

$$x_N - x_{N-1} \approx [f'(x_{N-1}) - 1] (x_{N-1} - x_*) \approx [f'(x_{N-1}) - 1] \frac{(x_N - x_*)}{f'(x_*)},$$

Although not requested, include  $f'(x_N)$  in tables 2, 3 and 4 as support for theory (with the aim of accruing a *bonus*).

Tables can be included in-line, overleaf on a separate page, or clumped at the end of your project (but in the latter case you must include a page reference).

+1½ programming marks for programs and tables showing different types of convergence via  $\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$ .

Pending *bonus* mark for including  $f'(x_N)$  in tables.

i.e. that

$$x_N - x_* \approx \frac{(x_N - x_{N-1})f'(x_*)}{f'(x_{N-1}) - 1}.$$

If the termination condition is that  $|x_N - x_{N-1}| < \epsilon$ , then the above implies that  $\epsilon_N \equiv x_N - x_*$  may be larger than  $\epsilon$  by a factor of approximately

$$\left| \frac{f'(x_*)}{f'(x_{N-1}) - 1} \right|.$$

For  $k = 16$

$$\left| \frac{f'(x_*)}{f'(x_{N-1}) - 1} \right| \approx 2.673.$$

**First-order convergence.** The result (3) implies that if  $|f'(x_*)| < 1$  and  $f'(x_*) \neq 0$  then fixed-point iteration should yield first-order convergence. Further

- (i) the smaller  $|f'(x_*)|$ , the quicker should be the convergence;
- (ii) if  $|f'(x_*)| < \frac{1}{2}$  fixed-point iteration has a faster rate of convergence than the bisection method.

The final two columns of the tables 2, 3 and 4 are consistent with these predictions.

### Double Roots: Question 4

The fixed-point iteration program was modified to solve  $x^3 - 8.5x^2 + 20x - 8 = 0$  by taking  $f(x) = \frac{1}{20}(-x^3 + 8.5x^2 + 8)$  (see the program on page 14). The iterates starting with  $x_0 = 4.5$  are given in table 5.

Table 5: Fixed-point iteration to double root with  $x_0 = 4.5$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$	$7N\epsilon_N/40$
0	4.5000000	5.000000e-01		
1	4.4500000	4.500000e-01	0.9000000	0.0787500
2	4.4100063	4.100063e-01	0.9111250	0.1435022
3	4.3771416	3.771416e-01	0.9198436	0.1979994
4	4.3495682	3.495682e-01	0.9268884	0.2446978
5	4.3260478	3.260478e-01	0.9327157	0.2852918
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
730	4.0075952	7.595174e-03	0.9986662	0.9702834
731	4.0075851	7.585057e-03	0.9986680	0.9703184
732	4.0075750	7.574966e-03	0.9986697	0.9703532
733	4.0075649	7.564903e-03	0.9986715	0.9703880
734	4.0075549	7.554867e-03	0.9986733	0.9704226
735	4.0075449	7.544857e-03	0.9986750	0.9704572
736	4.0075349	7.534874e-03	0.9986768	0.9704917

Include  $7N\epsilon_N/40$ , which should tend to 1, in table for a possible bonus.

**Convergence.** At a double root  $F'(x_*) = 0$ . Since

$$f'(x_*) = 1 - h'(F)F'(x_*),$$

it follows that if  $h$  is differentiable, then at a double root  $f'(x_*) = 1$ . From (3) this means that the iteration is on the boundary between convergence and divergence; indeed convergence in table 5 is clearly slower than before.

To understand this we take the Taylor expansion (2) to higher-order:

$$x_N = x_{N-1} + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_*)(x_{N-1} - x_*)^2 + \dots \quad (5)$$

+1 theory mark for explanation of the size of truncation error.

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  theory mark for explanation of first-order convergence using  $\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$ .

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  bonus mark for comment about  $|f'(x_*)|$ .

+1 programming mark for program and table.

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  theory mark for explaining slow convergence.

It follows that

$$\epsilon_N = \epsilon_{N-1} + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_*)\epsilon_{N-1}^2 + \dots$$

By seeking a solution of the form  $\epsilon_N \sim \kappa/N$ , we conclude that as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\epsilon_N \sim -\frac{2}{f''(x_*)N} = \frac{40}{7N},$$

Hence convergence is slower than first-order since as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{\epsilon_N}{\epsilon_{N-1}} \rightarrow 1.$$

These two results are consistent with the final two columns of table 5.

**Magnitude of error.** It follows from (5) that

$$\epsilon_{N-1} \approx \pm \sqrt{\frac{2(x_N - x_{N-1})}{f''(x_*)}}.$$

Thus, if the iteration is terminated once  $|x_N - x_{N-1}| < \epsilon$ , the truncation error in the root is given approximately by

$$|\epsilon_N| \approx \left| \sqrt{\frac{2\epsilon}{f''(x_*)}} \right| = \left| \sqrt{\frac{40\epsilon}{7}} \right| \approx 0.00756 \quad \text{if } \epsilon = 10^{-5}.$$

This is consistent with column two of table 5, and we conclude that the termination criterion does not ensure a truncation error in the root of less than  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ .

### Newton-Raphson Iteration: Programming Task

Programs using Newton-Raphson iteration to calculate the root of  $2x + 5 - 3 \sin x = 0$  and the double root of  $x^3 - 8.5x^2 + 20x - 8 = 0$  can be found on pages 15 and 16.

### Question 5

**Solution for the single root of  $F(x) = 2x - 3 \sin x + 5 = 0$ .** In the case of this equation, the first few Newton-Raphson iterations starting with  $x_0 = -4.8$  are illustrated in figure 4; the program for this figure is listed on page 17. While the process does converge, if  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$  it does so only after 66 iterations.

If instead  $x_0 = -4$ , then as illustrated in the table 6, the process converges in 4 iterations so that  $|x_N - x_{N-1}| < \epsilon = 10^{-5}$ , and in 5 iterations so that  $|x_N - x_{N-1}| < \epsilon = 10^{-10}$ . Note that in this and earlier calculations we have used the value of  $x_5$  as the *de facto* ‘exact’ solution to within rounding error.

**Convergence.** For  $x_{N-1}$  close to  $x_*$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x_N &= x_{N-1} - \frac{F(x_{N-1})}{F'(x_{N-1})} \\ &= x_{N-1} - \frac{F'(x_*)(x_{N-1} - x_*) + \frac{1}{2}F''(x_*)(x_{N-1} - x_*)^2 + \dots}{F'(x_*) + F''(x_*)(x_{N-1} - x_*) + \dots} \\ &= x_* + (x_{N-1} - x_*) - (x_{N-1} - x_*) \left[ 1 - \frac{F''(x_*)}{2F'(x_*)}(x_{N-1} - x_*) + \dots \right] \\ &= x_* + \frac{F''(x_*)}{2F'(x_*)}(x_{N-1} - x_*)^2 + \dots \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Identify expression that leads to  $40/7$ , and evaluate asymptote of  $\epsilon_N$  for a possible bonus.

+1 theory mark for identifying truncation error.

Pending bonus for including  $7N\epsilon_N/40$  in table, in expanding hint and for evaluating asymptote of  $\epsilon_N$ .

+1 programming mark for graph.

+1 programming mark for program and table.

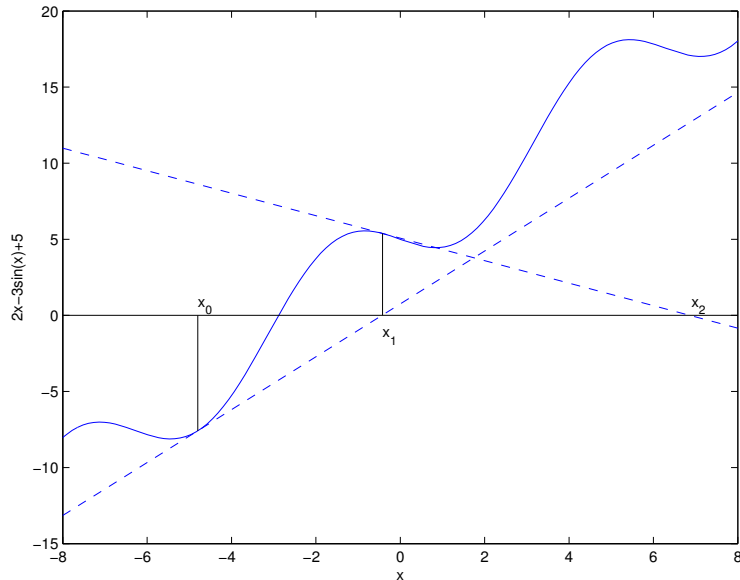


Figure 4: First few Newton-Raphson iterations for  $F(x) = 2x - 3\sin x + 5 = 0$  starting with  $x_0 = -4.8$ .

Table 6: Newton-Raphson iteration to single root with  $x_0 = -4$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N / (\epsilon_{N-1})^2$	$\log  \epsilon_N  / \log  \epsilon_{N-1} $	$F''(x_N) / 2F'(x_N)$
0	-4.000000000000000	-1.116763e+00			
1	-2.669401797516753	2.138351e-01	0.1714576	-13.9680184	-0.1460399
2	-2.888959367133085	-5.722495e-03	-0.1251490	3.3472819	-0.0764422
3	-2.883239394297850	-2.521740e-06	-0.0770069	2.4965498	-0.0782039
4	-2.883236872558781	-4.969358e-13	-0.0781448	2.1977565	-0.0782047
5	-2.883236872558284	4.440892e-16	1.798e+09	1.2477978	-0.0782047

It follows that if the iterates converge,

$$\epsilon_N \sim K (\epsilon_{N-1})^2 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{where } K = \frac{F''(x_*)}{2F'(x_*)} \approx -0.0782.$$

The method is thus second-order since

$$\frac{\log |\epsilon_N|}{\log |\epsilon_{N-1}|} \rightarrow 2 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

These two results are, on the whole, consistent with the first four entries in the final two columns of table 6. However, the fifth entry in the penultimate column shows a variation because of rounding error.

We observe that convergence for Newton-Raphson iteration is, in this case, much faster than fixed-point iteration or the bisection method.

**Magnitude of error and rounding error.** From (6),

$$\epsilon_{N-1} \sim -(x_N - x_{N-1}).$$

It follows that once the iteration has converged, and assuming no rounding error,

$$|\epsilon_N| \sim |K (\epsilon_{N-1})^2| \sim |K (x_N - x_{N-1})^2| \leq |K| \epsilon^2.$$

+1 theory mark for explaining convergence.

Pending bonus for evaluating  $K$ , estimating size of error, and for comparison.

Evaluate  $K$  and include  $\frac{F''(x_N)}{2F'(x_N)}$  in table 6 for a possible bonus.

Compare with fixed-point iteration and the bisection method for a possible bonus.



Table 7: Newton-Raphson iteration to double root with  $x_0 = 5$  and  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$	$\log \epsilon_N /\log \epsilon_{N-1} $
0	5.000000000	1.000000e+00		
1	4.550000000	5.500000e-01	0.5500000	
2	4.292485549	2.924855e-01	0.5317919	2.0563130
3	4.151672687	1.516727e-01	0.5185647	1.5341813
4	4.077379237	7.737924e-02	0.5101725	1.3568375
5	4.039103573	3.910357e-02	0.5053497	1.2667037
6	4.019659207	1.965921e-02	0.5027471	1.2121423
7	4.009856979	9.856979e-03	0.5013925	1.1757010
8	4.004935400	4.935400e-03	0.5007011	1.1497423
9	4.002469436	2.469436e-03	0.5003518	1.1303713
10	4.001235153	1.235153e-03	0.5001762	1.1153934
11	4.000617686	6.176855e-04	0.5000882	1.1034816
12	4.000308870	3.088700e-04	0.5000441	1.0937893
13	4.000154442	1.544418e-04	0.5000221	1.0857526
14	4.000077223	7.722263e-05	0.5000111	1.0789824
15	4.000038612	3.861176e-05	0.5000057	1.0732019
16	4.000019306	1.930602e-05	0.5000038	1.0682093
17	4.000009653	9.652994e-06	0.4999991	1.0638547

If  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$  then  $|\epsilon_N|$  is bounded by  $|K|\epsilon^2 \approx 7.8 \times 10^{-12}$ , which is consistent with the results in column 2 of table 6. If  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$  then, after the fifth iteration, rounding error dominates the above estimate since MATLAB's double precision has an accuracy of about  $10^{-16}$  (again see table 6).

**Solution for the double root of  $F(x) = x^3 - 8.5x^2 + 20x - 8 = 0$ .** In the case of this equation, the first few Newton-Raphson iterations starting with  $x_0 = 5$  are given in table 7.

**Convergence.** For  $x_* = 4$ ,  $F'(x_*) = 0$  and  $F''(x_*) \neq 0$ , implying from result (6) above that

$$\epsilon_N \sim \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{N-1}.$$

Hence the last two columns of table 7 should tend to  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 1 (as is indeed the case). We note that in this case Newton-Raphson iteration has the same rate of convergence as the bisection method, and that from (6)

$$x_N - x_{N-1} \sim -\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{N-1}.$$

**Rounding error.** If  $\epsilon$  is reduced from  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-10}$ , the iteration continues as in table 8.

The larger-than-predicted error in the final iterate arises because division by the small  $F'(x_{N-1})$  amplifies the rounding error in  $F(x_{N-1})$ . More precisely, suppose that the rounding error in evaluating a function is  $\delta$ . Then it follows from the definition of  $F(x)$  that close to the double root  $x_* = 4$  (where  $F(x_*) = F'(x_*) = 0$  and  $F''(x_*) = 7$ ), that in a computation

$$F(x_{N-1}) = F(x_* + \epsilon_{N-1}) \sim \frac{7}{2}\epsilon_{N-1}^2 + \delta \quad \text{and} \quad F'(x_{N-1}) \sim 7\epsilon_{N-1} + \delta.$$

Hence, while in exact arithmetic

$$\epsilon_N = \epsilon_{N-1} - \frac{F(x_{N-1})}{F'(x_{N-1})},$$

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  programming mark for program and table.

+1 theory mark for explaining convergence.

Pending bonus for bisection comparison.

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  theory mark for general explanation.

+ $\frac{1}{2}$  bonus mark for pending bonuses and rounding-error calculation.

Compare with the bisection method for a possible bonus.

Include calculation of rounding error for a possible bonus.

Table 8: Newton-Raphson iteration to double root with  $x_0 = 5$  and  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$ .

$N$	$x_N$	$\epsilon_N$	$\epsilon_N/\epsilon_{N-1}$	$\log  \epsilon_N /\log  \epsilon_{N-1} $
18	4.000004826	4.826398e-06	0.4999897	1.0600237
19	4.000002413	2.413255e-06	0.5000116	1.0566212
20	4.000001206	1.206080e-06	0.4997730	1.0536240
21	4.000000602	6.017966e-07	0.4989692	1.0510129
22	4.000000302	3.015609e-07	0.5011010	1.0482393
23	4.000000147	1.467238e-07	0.4865479	1.0479823
24	4.000000064	6.370571e-08	0.4341880	1.0530215
25	4.000000032	3.183852e-08	0.4997750	1.0418612
26	3.999999968	-3.192455e-08	-1.0027018	0.9998437
27	3.999999968	-3.192455e-08	1.0000000	1.0000000

on a computer (and on the assumption that  $|\delta| \ll |\epsilon_{N-1}|$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_N &\sim \epsilon_{N-1} - \frac{\frac{7}{2}\epsilon_{N-1}^2 + \delta}{7\epsilon_{N-1} + \delta} \\ &\sim \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{N-1} - \frac{\delta}{7\epsilon_{N-1}} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

+1 *bonus*  
mark for  
quality of  
write-up.

Rounding error will be comparable with the update when  $\epsilon_{N-1} = O(\delta^{\frac{1}{2}})$ . Table 8 is consistent with this result since, as noted above, MATLAB's double precision has an accuracy of about  $10^{-16}$ .

Max raw  
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mark:  
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Program 0-1/question1.m to produce figure 1

```
% Plot 2*x+5 and 3*sin(x)
%
fplot(@(x)[2*x+5],[-4 -1 -4 4], 'r');
hold on;
fplot(@(x)[3*sin(x)],[-4 -1 -4 4], 'b-.');
xlabel('x'); legend('2*x+5', '3*sin(x)');
hold off;
%
% Output plot first in colour postscript and then as a pdf
% to leave options open for inclusion in write-up.
%
print -depsc 'question1';
print -dpdf 'question1';
```

## Program 0-1/question2.m for question 2

```
% Bisection method to solve 2.0*x-3.0*sin(x)+5.0=0
%
% Define an anonymous function
% Set the tolerance for convergence
%
f=@(x)2.0*x-3.0*sin(x)+5.0;
tol=0.5e-5;
%
% Read in lower guess and higher guess
% Check that interval includes a zero and is increasing
%
yl=1.0; yu=1.0;
while yl*yu > 0
    xl=input('Please enter the lower end of initial interval [-3]: ');
    if isempty(xl)
        xl=-3.0;
    end
    xu=input('Please enter the upper end of initial interval [-2]: ');
    if isempty(xu)
        xu=-2.0;
    end
    yl=f(xl);
    yu=f(xu);
    if yl*yu >= 0
        disp('Chosen interval does not include a zero')
    elseif yl >= yu
        yl=1.0; yu=1.0;
        disp('Lower guess greater than the upper guess')
    end
end
end
%
% Start iteration & while xu-xl>2*tol keep interval halving
%
fprintf('\nStarting iteration\n\n')
n=0;
while( (xu-xl) > 2.0*tol )
    n=n+1;
    xm=0.5*(xl+xu);
    fprintf('%2d %11.7f %13.6e %13.6e %13.6e\n',n,xm,(xu-xl)/2,yl,yu)
    ym=f(xm);
    if yl*ym < 0
        xu=xm;
        yu=ym;
    else
        xl=xm;
        yl=ym;
    end
end
end
%
% xu-xl<2*tol; calculate xm (xu-xm<tol and xm-xl<tol); output results
%
n=n+1;
xm=0.5*(xl+xu);
fprintf('%2d %11.7f %13.6e %13.6e %13.6e\n',n,xm,(xu-xl)/2,yl,yu)
fprintf('\nRoot is within %10.3e of %11.7f\n',tol,xm)
```

### Program 0-1/picard1.m for question 3

```
% Fixed-point iteration method to solve  $2x-3\sin(x)+5=0$ 
%
% Define an anonymous function
% Hard wire the solution to 15 decimal places (obtained by NR iteration)
% Set the tolerance for convergence
% Set the maximum number of iterations
%
f=@(x,k)(3*sin(x)+k*x-5)/(2+k);
fd=@(x,k)(3*cos(x)+k)/(2+k);
xexact = -2.8832368725582835;
tol = 1e-5;
nmax = 50;
%
% Input k and x
%
k=input('Please enter k [3.5]: ');
if isempty(k)
    k=3.5;
end
x=input('Please enter initial guess [-2]: ');
if isempty(x)
    x=-2;
end
%
% Initialise the iteration
% Output initial guess and error
%
n = 0;
err = 1;
epnew=x-xexact;
fprintf('%2d %10.7f %13.6e\n',n,x,epnew)
%
% Start the iteration
% Terminate when difference between successive guesses < tol
%
while(err>=tol & n<nmax)
    n = n+1;
    y = f(x,k);
    epold=epnew;
    epnew=y-xexact;
    fprintf('%2d %10.7f %13.6e %10.7f %10.7f\n',n,y,epnew,epnew/epold,fd(y,k));
    err = abs(y-x);
    x = y;
end
```

## Program 0-1/question3.1plot.m to produce figure 2

```
% Matlab plot for Figure 2, illustrating first few iterations:

k=0;
f=@(x)(3*sin(x)+k*x-5)/(2+k);
fplot(@(x)[x],[-4.5 -1 -4.5 -1], 'r');
hold on;
fplot(f,[-4.5 -1 -4.5 -1], 'b--');
legend('x', '(3*sin(x)-2)/2');

% Find first few iterations explicitly: (Alternatively could simply take the
% first few values output directly by picard1.m)

niter=10;
x0=-2.0; xnew=x0;
for i=1:niter
    x(i)=xnew;
    x(i+1)=f(x(i));
    xnew=x(i+1);
end

% 'Join the dots', to illustrate behaviour of iterates

xiter = [x(1) x(2) x(2) x(3) x(3) x(4) x(4) x(5) x(5)] ;
fiter = [x(2) x(2) x(3) x(3) x(4) x(4) x(5) x(5) x(6)];
plot(xiter,fiter,'black')

% Label graph and distinguish curves:

xlabel('x');
ylabel('f(x)')

% If we want to put arrows to indicate direction of iteration
% one way is the following:
dd1=diff(xiter);
dd2=diff(fiter);
xx1=xiter(1:end-1);
ff1=fiter(1:end-1);
quiver(xx1,ff1,dd1,dd2,'black');

hold off;
%
% Output plot first in colour postscript and then as a pdf
% to leave options open for inclusion in write-up.
%
print -depsc 'question3-1';
print -dpdf 'question3-1';
```

### Program 0-1/picard2.m for question 4

```
% Fixed-point iteration method to solve  $x^3 - 8.5x^2 + 20x - 8 = 0$ 
%
% Define an anonymous function
% Hard wire the solution
% Set the tolerance for convergence
% Set the maximum number of iterations
%
f=@(x)(-x^3+8.5*x^2+8)/20;
xexact = 4;
tol = 1e-5;
nmax = 1000;
%
% Input x
%
x=input('Please enter initial guess [4.5]: ');
if isempty(x)
    x=4.5;
end
%
% Initialise the iteration
% Output initial guess and error
%
n = 0;
err = 2*tol;
epnew=x-xexact;
fprintf('%3d %10.7f %13.6e\n',n,x,epnew)
%
% Start the iteration
% Terminate when difference between successive guesses < tol
%
while(err>=tol & n<nmax)
    n = n+1;
    y = f(x);
    epold=epnew;
    epnew=y-xexact;
    if n <= 5 || n >= 730
        fprintf('%3d %10.7f %13.6e %10.7f',n,y,epnew,epnew/epold);
        fprintf(' %10.7f\n',7*n*epnew/40);
    end
    err = abs(y-x);
    x = y;
end
```

## Program 0-1/newton1.m for the first part of question 5

```
% Newton-Raphson iteration method to solve  $F(x)=2x-3\sin(x)+5=0$ 
%
% Define an anonymous function
% Hard wire the solution to 15 decimal places (obtained by NR iteration)
% Set the maximum number of iterations
%
f=@(x)2*x-3*sin(x)+5;
fd=@(x)2-3*cos(x);
fdd=@(x)3*sin(x);
xexact=-2.883236872558284;
nmax = 100;
%
% Input initial guess and tolerance for convergence
%
x=input('Please enter initial guess [-4]: ');
if isempty(x)
    x=-4;
end
tol=input('Please enter initial tolerance [1e-5]: ');
if isempty(tol)
    tol = 1e-5;
elseif tol < 0
    tol = -tol;
end
%
% Initialise the iteration
% Output initial guess and error
%
n = 0;
err = 2*tol;
epnew=x-xexact;
fprintf('%2d %20.15f %13.6e\n',n,x,epnew)
%
% Start the iteration
% Terminate when difference between successive guesses < tol
%
while(err>=tol & n<nmax)
    n = n+1;
    y = x - f(x)/fd(x);
    epold=epnew;
    epnew=y-xexact;
    if abs(epnew/(epold*epold)) < 1
        fprintf('%2d %20.15f %13.6e %11.7f',n,y,epnew,epnew/(epold*epold));
    else
        fprintf('%2d %20.15f %13.6e %11.4g',n,y,epnew,epnew/(epold*epold));
    end
    fprintf(' %11.7f' ,log(abs(epnew))/log(abs(epold)))
    fprintf(' %10.7f\n',fdd(y)/(2*fd(y)))
    err = abs(y-x);
    x = y;
end
```



Program 0-1/newton2.m for the second part of question 5

```
% Newton-Raphson iteration method to solve  $F(x)=x^3-8.5x^2+20x-8=0$ 
%
% Define an anonymous function
% Hard wire the exact solution and set the maximum number of iterations
%
f=@(x)x*x*x-8.5*x*x+20*x-8;
fd=@(x)3*x*x-17*x+20;
xexact=4;
nmax = 50;
%
% Input initial guess and tolerance for convergence
%
x=input('Please enter initial guess [5]: ');
if isempty(x)
    x=5;
end
tol=input('Please enter initial tolerance [1e-5]: ');
if isempty(tol)
    tol = 1e-5;
elseif tol < 0
    tol = -tol;
end
%
% Initialise the iteration
% Output initial guess and error
%
n = 0;
err = 2*tol;
epnew=x-xexact;
fprintf('%2d %12.9f %13.6e\n',n,x,epnew)
%
% Start the iteration
% Terminate when difference between successive guesses < tol
%
while(err>=tol & n<nmax)
    n = n+1;
    y = x - f(x)/fd(x);
    epold=epnew;
    epnew=y-xexact;
    fprintf('%2d %12.9f %13.6e %10.7f',n,y,epnew,epnew/epold);
    if n > 1
        fprintf(' %10.7f\n',log(abs(epnew))/log(abs(epold)));
    else
        fprintf('\n');
    end
    err = abs(y-x);
    x = y;
end
```

Program 0-1/question5\_plot.m to produce figure 4

```
% Matlab plot for Figure 4, illustrating first few Newton-Raphson iterations:
```

```
x0 = -4.8;
f = @(x)(2*x-3*sin(x)+5);
f1 = @(x)(f(x0)-(x0-x)*(2-3*cos(x0))); % tangent at x0
fplot(f,[-8 8 -15 20]);
xlabel('x');
ylabel('2x-3sin(x)+5');
%legend('2x-3sin(x)+5');
hold on;
fplot(f1,[-8 8 -15 20], '--');
fplot(@(x)[0*x],[-8 8 -15 20], 'black');
```

```
% Show the first few iterations:
```

```
x1=-0.42; % next iterate
f2= @(x)(f(x1)-(x1-x)*(2-3*cos(x1))); % tangent at x1
fplot(f2,[-8 8 -15 20], '--');
```

```
x2=6.9; % next iterate
```

```
plot([x0 x0],[0 f(x0)], 'black');
plot([x1 x1],[0 f(x1)], 'black');
```

```
% Put text labels on graph:
```

```
str0=('x_0');
str1=('x_1');
str2=('x_2');
text(x0,0.5,str0);
text(x1,-1.5,str1);
text(x2,0.5,str2);
```

```
hold off;
```

```
%
```

```
% Output plot first in colour postscript and then as a pdf
```

```
% to leave options open for inclusion in write-up.
```

```
%
```

```
print -depsc 'question5';
```

```
print -dpdf 'question5';
```