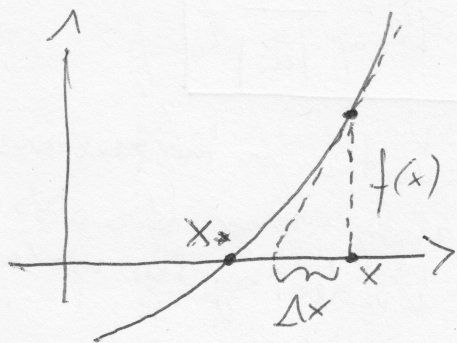




# FINDING ROOTS. NEWTON'S METHOD: ERROR

i)



$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x)}{\Delta x} \Rightarrow \Delta x = \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$

$$\text{Hence: } x' = x - \Delta x = x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$

ii) The error  $\epsilon$  is, by definition

$$\boxed{x - x_0 = \epsilon}$$

1) Taylor expand around  $x_0$ :

$$f(x_0) = f(x) - f'(x) \underbrace{(x - x_0)}_{\epsilon} + O(\epsilon^2)$$

2) At the next step we get  $x'$  and  $\boxed{\epsilon' = x' - x_0}$ . Expand:

$$f(x_0) = f(x') - f'(x') \underbrace{(x' - x_0)}_{\epsilon'} + O(\epsilon'^2)$$

3) Remember that  $\boxed{f(x_0) = 0}$ . Take the first expansion:



$$\rightarrow f(x) + f'(x)(x-x_0) + O(\epsilon^2) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} f''(x)(x-x_0)^2$$

$$f(x) + f'(x)(x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2} f''(x)(x-x_0)^2 = 0$$

Now divide by  $f'(x)$ :  $\frac{f(x)}{f'(x)} + (x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(x)}{f'(x)} (x-x_0)^2 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 = \left[ x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(x)}{f'(x)} (x_0 - x)^2 + \dots$$

Newton's rule  
to get  $x'$

Error, at leading  
order

Therefore:  $x_0 = x' + \frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(x)}{f'(x)} (x_0 - x)^2 + \dots = x' + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{f''(x)}{f'(x)} \right) \epsilon^2}_{\text{This is } \epsilon' = \text{error after one iteration}} + \dots$

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Newton's method  
solution after one iteration

Hence  $\boxed{\epsilon' = + \frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(x)}{f'(x)} \epsilon^2}$

i) Newton's method converges quadratically. This is very fast:

$$\begin{cases} x_0 = x + \epsilon_0 \\ \epsilon_1 \approx -\frac{1}{2} \frac{f''}{f'} \epsilon_0^2 \approx -c \epsilon_0^2 \\ \epsilon_2 \approx -c \epsilon_1^2 = c^3 \epsilon_0^4 \\ \epsilon_3 \approx -c \epsilon_2^2 = -c^7 \epsilon_0^8 \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{|\epsilon_N| \approx \frac{(c \epsilon_0)^{2^N}}{c}}$$

Exponential  
of an  
exponential

iii) Let  $x_0 = x + \epsilon_0$ ,  $x_1 = x + c \epsilon_0^2$ , hence:

$$x - x_1 + \epsilon_0 (1 - c \epsilon_0) = 0; \quad x - x_1 + \epsilon_0 (1 - c \epsilon_0) = 0$$

If  $\epsilon_0$  is small we set  $\epsilon_0 (1 - c \epsilon_0) \approx \epsilon_0$  and  $\boxed{x_1 - x \approx \epsilon_0} \Rightarrow$  Convergence  
iteration