



TOPIC : 4 NEWTON'S RAPHSON method

Newton's method (or) Newton - Raphson method;

Formula,

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

Condition for convergence of Newton - Raphson method is

$$|f(x) \cdot f''(x)| < |f'(x)|^2$$



Rate of convergence of Newton's method is 2

(or)

The order of convergence of Newton's method is 2

Problems:

1. Find the positive root of $x^4 - x = 10$ correct to three decimal places using Newton's Raphson method.

Solution:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x^4 - x - 10$$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 - 1$$

$$f(1) = (1)^4 - 1 - 10 = -10 = -ve$$

$$f(2) = (2)^4 - 2 - 10 = 16 - 2 - 10 = 4 = +ve$$

Hence the root lies between 1 and 2.

$$\therefore |f(1)| = 10$$

$$|f(2)| = 4$$

$$\therefore |f(1)| > |f(2)|$$

$\therefore$ The root is nearer to 2.

Let us take $x_0 = 2$.

Newton's formula,

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

put $n=0$

$$x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$$



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$$f(x_0) = f(2) = (2)^4 - 2 - 10 = 16 - 2 - 10 = 4$$

$$f'(x_0) = f'(2) = 4(2)^3 - 1 = 32 - 1 = 31$$

$$x_1 = 2 - \frac{4}{31}$$

$$x_1 = 2 - 0.1290 = 1.871$$

put $n=1$

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$$

$$= 1.871 - \frac{f(1.871)}{f'(1.871)}$$

$$f(1.871) = (1.871)^4 - 1.871 - 10 = 12.254 - 1.871 - 10 = 0.383$$

$$f'(1.871) = 4(1.871)^3 - 1 = 26.199 - 1 = 25.199$$

$$x_2 = 1.871 - \frac{0.383}{25.199} = 1.871 - 0.015 = 1.856$$

$$x_2 = 1.856$$

put $n=2$

$$x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)}$$

$$= 1.856 - \frac{f(1.856)}{f'(1.856)}$$

$$f(1.856) = (1.856)^4 - 1.856 - 10 = 0.010$$

$$f'(1.856) = 4(1.856)^3 - 1 = 25.574$$



$$x_3 = 1.856 - \frac{0.010}{25.574}$$

$$= 1.856.$$

∴ The value of x_2 and x_3 are equal.

Hence the real root is 1.856.

2. Find a root of $x \log_{10} x - 1.2 = 0$ by Newton-Raphson method correct to 3-decimal places.

Solution:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = x \log_{10} x - 1.2$$

$$f(x) = x [\log_e x \cdot \log_{10} e] - 1.2 \quad \left[\text{using change base rule} \right]$$

$$\log_{10} x = \log_e x \cdot \log_{10} e$$

$$f(x) = \log_{10} e [x \log_e x] - 1.2$$

$$f'(x) = \log_{10} e \left[x \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \log_e x \right]$$

$$f'(x) = \log_{10} e [1 + \log_e x]$$

$$f'(x) = \log_{10} e + \log_{10} e \log_e x = \log_{10} e + \log_{10} x$$

$$f(1) = 1 \cdot \log_{10} 1 - 1.2 = -1.2 = -ve$$

$$f(2) = 2 \cdot \log_{10} 2 - 1.2 = -0.598 = -ve$$

$$f(3) = 3 \log_{10} 3 - 1.2 = 0.231 = +ve$$

Hence the root lies between 2 and 3

$$\therefore |f(2)| = 0.598$$

$$\therefore |f(3)| = 0.231$$

$$|f(2)| > |f(3)|$$

∴ The root is nearer to 3

$$\text{Let } x_0 = 3$$



Newton's formula is . ③

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

put $n=0$

$$x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$$

$$= 3 - \frac{f(3)}{f'(3)}$$

$$f(3) = 3 \log_{10} 3 - 1.2 = 0.231, \quad f'(3) = \log_{10} e + \log_{10} 3 = 0.911$$

$$x_1 = 3 - \left(\frac{0.231}{0.911} \right)$$

$$x_1 = 3 - 0.2535 = 2.747$$

put $n=1$

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$$

$$= 2.747 - \frac{f(2.747)}{f'(2.747)}$$

$$f(x_1) = f(2.747) = 2.747 \log_{10} (2.747) - 1.2 = 0.0055$$

$$f'(x_1) = \log_{10} e + \log_{10} (2.747) = 0.8729$$

$$x_2 = 2.747 - \left(\frac{0.0055}{0.8729} \right) = 2.741$$

put $n=2$

$$x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)}$$

$$= (2.741) - \frac{f(2.741)}{f'(2.741)}$$

$$f(2.741) = (2.741) \log_{10} (2.741) - 1.2 = 0.0003$$

$$f'(2.741) = \log_{10} e + \log_{10} (2.741) = 0.434 + 0.4379 = 0.8719$$



$$x_3 = 2.741 - \left(\frac{0.0003}{0.8719} \right)$$

$$x_3 = 2.741$$

$\therefore$ The value of x_2 and x_3 are equal.

$\therefore$ The real root is 2.741.

3. Find the iterative formula for finding the value of $\frac{1}{N}$ where N is a real x_0 using Newton's Raphson method. Hence evaluate $\frac{1}{26}$ correct to 4 decimal place.

Solution:

$$\text{Let } x = \frac{1}{N}$$

$$N = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{x} - N = 0$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{1}{x} - N$$

$$f(x) = x^{-1} - N$$

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

Newton's formula,

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

$$= x_n - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x_n} - N\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{x_n^2}\right)}$$

$$= x_n + x_n^2 \left(\frac{1}{x_n} - N\right)$$

$$= x_n + x_n - x_n^2 N$$

$$x_{n+1} = 2x_n - x_n^2 N = x_n(2 - x_n N)$$



$\therefore x_{n+1} = x_n (2 - x_n N)$ is a iterative formula. ^①

To find $\frac{1}{26}$:

Now, $\frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{26}$ Take $N = 26$

Let $x_0 = \frac{1}{26}$ put $n = 0$

$$x_1 = x_0 (2 - x_0 N) = \frac{1}{26} \left(2 - \frac{1}{26} \cdot 26 \right) = \frac{1}{26} (2 - 1) \\ = \frac{1}{26} (1) = 0.0385.$$

put $n = 1$

$$x_2 = x_1 (2 - x_1 N) \\ = (0.0385) [2 - 0.0385 (26)] \\ x_2 = 0.0385.$$

The value of x_1 and x_2 are equal.

Hence the value of $\frac{1}{26} = 0.0385$.

4. Derive the Newton's algorithm for finding the p^{th} root of a number N and hence find the cube root of 17.

Solution:

Given $x = \sqrt[p]{N}$

$$x = (N)^{1/p}$$

$$x^p = N$$

$$x^p - N = 0$$

$$f(x) = x^p - N$$

$$f'(x) = px^{p-1}$$

By Newton's formula,

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

$$= x_n - \frac{(x_n^p - N)}{px_n^{p-1}}$$



$$= \frac{x_n p x_n^{p-1} - x_n^p + N}{p x_n^{p-1}} = \frac{x_n^{1+p-1} \cdot p - x_n^p + N}{p x_n^{p-1}}$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^p \cdot p - x_n^p + N}{p x_n^{p-1}} = \frac{x_n^p (p-1) + N}{p x_n^{p-1}}$$

To find $\sqrt[3]{17}$:

The value of $\sqrt[3]{17}$ is 2.5713

Hence the root lies between 2 and 3.

Let take $x_0 = 2$ and $p = 3$.

$$\sqrt[3]{17} = p\sqrt[n]{N}$$

put $n=0$

$$x_1 = \frac{(p-1) x_0^p + N}{p x_0^{p-1}} = \frac{(3-1)(2)^3 + 17}{(3)(2)^{3-1}}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{2(8) + 17}{3(2)^2} = 2.75$$

put $n=1$

$$x_2 = \frac{(p-1) x_1^p + N}{p x_1^{p-1}} = \frac{(3-1)(2.75)^3 + 17}{(2.75)^{3-1} \cdot 3}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{(2)(20.7969) + 17}{3(2.75)^2} = 2.5826$$

put $n=2$

$$x_3 = \frac{(p-1) (2.5826)^3 + 17}{3(2.5826)^{3-1}} = \frac{2(17.2255) + 17}{20.0095}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{51.451}{20.0095} = 2.5713$$

put $n=3$

$$x_4 = \frac{(3-1) (2.5713)^3 + 17}{3(2.5713)^{3-1}} = \frac{2(2.5713)^3 + 17}{3(2.5713)^2}$$