

Math 5329, Test I (a)

Name Key

1. a. Find $T_n(x)$, the Taylor series of degree n for the function $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$, expanded around $c = 0$.

(Hint: $f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!/(1+x)^n$, for $n \geq 1$.)

1 $T_n(x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots - \frac{x^n}{n}$

- b. Find $E_n(x)$, the error in $T_n(x)$, and find a reasonable upper bound on $E_n(1)$. ($x > 0$)

2 $|E_n(x)| = \left| \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(1+x)^{n+1}} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{(1+x)^{n+1}} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \right| \leq \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1}$

$|E_n(1)| \leq \frac{1}{n+1}$

- c. Estimate the number of terms n required for $T_n(x)$ to approximate $f(1) = \ln(2)$ to 5 decimal places accuracy.

1 $n \geq 100,000$ $\frac{1}{n+1} \leq 0.00001$

- d. Would you expect roundoff error to be a serious concern in (c)? Why or why not?

(Hint: $1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + 1/5 + \dots + 1/n \approx \ln(n)$, for large n .)

1 No. $\ln(2) \approx \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{7} + \dots + \frac{1}{99999} \right) - \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{100000} \right]$

positive term $\leq \ln(100000) \approx 11$

negative term ≈ 11

2. Estimate the order of convergence of a root-finder that has consecutive errors 0.2, 0.08, 0.00512.

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$$0.08 = M (0.2)^\alpha$$

$$0.00512 = M (0.08)^\alpha$$

$$15.625 = 2.5^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = 3.00$$

3. If Newton's method is used to find a root of $f(x) = x^2 - R$, find bounds on x_0 for which convergence to the root \sqrt{R} is guaranteed. (Hint: for Newton's method, $e_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} [f''(\psi_n)/f'(x_n)] e_n^2$, where ψ_n is between x_n and the root.)

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$$e_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{2x_n} e_n^2 = \left[\frac{x_n - \sqrt{R}}{2x_n} \right] e_n$$

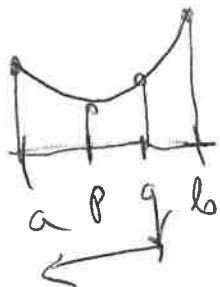
$$\left| \frac{x_n - \sqrt{R}}{2x_n} \right| < 1 \quad \text{if} \quad x_0 > \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{R}$$

$$\text{or} \quad x_0 > \frac{\sqrt{R}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$-1 < \frac{1 - \frac{\sqrt{R}}{x_n}}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow$$

4. The golden search method tries to minimize $f(x)$, where f is assumed to be unimodal in $a \leq x \leq b$, by evaluating f at two points between a and b , $p = a + (1-r) * (b-a)$ and $q = a + r * (b-a)$, where $r = 0.618\dots$. If $f(q)$ is larger than $f(p)$, the minimum is known to be in the new interval $[a, q]$, otherwise the minimum is known to be in $[p, b]$. Why? Would this algorithm still work if we used $r = 0.75$? What is the advantage of using $r = 0.618\dots$?

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If $f(q) > f(p)$ the minimum cannot be in (q, b) otherwise f would be increasing for some points to the left of q and decreasing for some points to the right, hence not unimodal. Would still work with $r = 0.75$, but would require two new function evaluations per iteration, with $r^2 = 1 - r$, can we old p or new q in (a, q)

5. Write out the equations used to solve the following system using Newton's method:

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$$f(x, y) = 1 + x^2 - y^2 + e^x \cos(y)$$

$$g(x, y) = 2xy + e^x \sin(y)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2x_n + e^{x_n} \cos y_n & -2y_n - e^{x_n} \sin y_n \\ 2y_n + e^{x_n} \sin y_n & 2x_n + e^{x_n} \cos y_n \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + x_n^2 - y_n^2 + e^{x_n} \cos y_n \\ 2x_n y_n + e^{x_n} \sin y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

6. To solve $x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0$ we could write $x^2 = 3x + 4$, then $x = 3 + 4/x$, and iterate with this last formula: $x_{n+1} = 3 + 4/x_n$. Determine (without actually iterating) if this iteration will converge if we start near the root $r = 4$. What if we start near the root $r = -1$?

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$$x_{n+1} = 3 + \frac{4}{x_n} \equiv g(x_n)$$

$$g'(x) = -\frac{4}{x^2} \quad g'(4) = -0.25 \quad \text{converges}$$

$$g'(-1) = -4 \quad \text{diverges}$$

Math 5329, Test I (B)

Name Key

1. a. Write the Taylor polynomial $T_n(x)$ of degree n for the function $f(x) = \cos(x)$, expanded around $a = 0$.

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$$T_n(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots + \frac{x^m}{m!} (\pm 1)$$

$m = \text{last even} \leq n$

- b. Find a reasonable upper bound on the error in $T_n(x)$ at $x = 25$ and estimate how big n needs to be for the error to be less than 10^{-3} .

may be
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$(\ln x!) \approx x \ln x - x$
still small error!

$$\left| R_n(x) \right| = \frac{|f^{(n+1)}(c)|}{(n+1)!} |25|^{n+1} \leq \frac{25^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \leq 10^{-3} \Rightarrow n \approx 7$$

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- c. Do you expect to have significant problems with roundoff error in calculating $T_n(25)$, with n as in part b? What if you calculate $T_n(1)$ with the same n ?

yes

$$\left(1 + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^8}{8!} + \dots + \frac{x^{68}}{68!} \right) - \left(\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \frac{x^{10}}{10!} + \dots + \frac{x^{70}}{70!} \right)$$

= big - big = 0.9992

no, $T_n(1)$

2. Show that the iteration $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{q(x_n)}$ converges quadratically (at least) to the root r of $f(x) = 0$, if $\lim_{x \rightarrow r} q(x) = f'(r) \neq 0$.

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$$g(x) = x - \frac{f(x)}{q(x)}$$

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

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow r} g'(x) = 1 - \frac{f'(r)}{f'(r)} + \frac{f(r) q'(r)}{f(r)^2} = 0$$

3. For a certain root finder (Muller's method) it can be shown that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e_{n+1}}{e_n e_{n-1} e_{n-2}} = M (\neq 0, \neq \infty)$. To estimate the order α of this method, assume $e_{n+1} = C e_n^\alpha$, and $e_{n+1} = M e_n e_{n-1} e_{n-2}$. Find an equation satisfied by α , you need not actually find α .

$$e_n = C e_{n-1}^\alpha = C (C e_{n-2}^\alpha)^\alpha = C^{1+\alpha} e_{n-2}^{\alpha^2} \quad \alpha = 1.839$$

$$e_{n-1} = \left(\frac{e_n}{C}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \quad e_{n-2} = \left(\frac{e_n}{C^{1+\alpha}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha^2}} \quad \left(1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} = \alpha\right)$$

$$e_{n+1} = M e_n \left(\frac{e_n}{C}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \left(\frac{e_n}{C^{1+\alpha}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha^2}} = K e_n^{1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}}$$

4. To minimize the function $f(x, y) = 100(x^2 - y)^2 + (1 - x)^2$, set f_x and f_y equal to zero, and do one iteration of Newton's method, starting from $(1, 0)$ to solve this system of two equations and two unknowns. From $(1, 0)$, what is the direction of steepest descent?

$$f = 100x^4 - 200x^2y + 100y^2 + 1 - 2x + x^2$$

$$f_x = 400x^3 - 400xy + 2x - 2 = 0$$

$$f_y = -200x^2 + 200y = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1200x_n^2 - 400y_n + 2 & -400x_n \\ -400x_n & 200 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 400 \\ -200 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1202 & -400 \\ -400 & 200 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 400 \\ -200 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\text{steepest descent} = -Df = (-400, 200) \text{ or } (-2, 1)$$

5. Explain how Newton's method could be used to compute A/B on a computer which only can add, subtract and multiply, but not divide.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} - B$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{\frac{1}{x_n} - B}{-\frac{1}{x_n^2}} = 2x_n - Bx_n^2 \quad \text{iterate to find } x = \frac{1}{B}$$

then multiply $A(\frac{1}{B}) = \frac{A}{B}$

6. If $f(x) = (x-r)^m$, show that the "modified" Newton's method $x_{n+1} = x_n - m \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$ will converge in a single iteration to the root r , regardless of the starting value x_0 . What would you predict would happen if this modified Newton method were applied to a more general function with a root of multiplicity m at r , that is to $f(x) = (x-r)^m h(x)$, where $h(r) \neq 0$? You can analyze the iteration using the techniques of section 3.4, or you can guess; but if you guess, it must be correct!

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - m \frac{(x_n - r)^m}{m(x_n - r)^{m-1}} = x_n - (x_n - r) = r$$

will converge quadratically near root

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - m \frac{(x_n - r)^m h(x_n)}{(x_n - r)^m h'(x_n) + m(x_n - r)^{m-1} h(x_n)}$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - m \frac{(x_n - r) h(x_n)}{(x_n - r) h'(x_n) + m h(x_n)}$$

$$g(x) = x - m \frac{(x-r) h(x)^3}{(x-r) h'(x) + m h(x)}$$

$$g'(x) = 1 - m \frac{h(x)}{(x-r) h'(x) + m h(x)}$$

$$g'(r) = 1 - m \frac{h(r)}{m h(r)} = 1 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{quadr. conv.}$$

Math 5329, Test I (c)

Name Key

1. a. Find $T_n(x)$, the Taylor series of degree n for the function $f(x) = \cosh(x)$, expanded around $a = 0$. Assume n is even.

(Hint: $\frac{d}{dx} \cosh(x) = \sinh(x)$, $\frac{d}{dx} \sinh(x) = \cosh(x)$, $\sinh(0) = 0$, $\cosh(0) = 1$)

$$T_n(x) = 1 + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n!}$$

- b. Find $E_n(x)$, the error in $T_n(x)$, and find a reasonable upper bound on $E_n(10)$. You can use the fact that $\sinh(x)$ is a monotone increasing function.

$$E_n(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1} = \frac{\sinh(\xi)}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1}$$

$$|E_n(10)| \leq \frac{\sinh(10)}{(n+1)!} 10^{n+1}$$

- c. Estimate the number of terms n required for $T_n(10)$ to approximate $\cosh(10)$ to an accuracy of 10^{-4} .

$$\frac{\sinh(10)}{(n+1)!} 10^{n+1} \leq 10^{-4}$$

$$\frac{10^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \approx 10^{-8} \quad n \approx 40$$

- d. Would you expect roundoff error to be a serious concern in computing $T_n(10)$ in part (c)? Why or why not?

no, all terms positive

2. a. To find a maximum or minimum of a function $F(x,y)$, in calculus we set both partial derivatives to 0 and solve the resulting system of two equations. Explicitly write out what Newton's method looks like when applied to this system, in terms of F and its derivatives.

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$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} F_{xx} & F_{xy} \\ F_{yx} & F_{yy} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} F_x \\ F_y \end{pmatrix}_n$$

- b. If $F(x,y)$ is a quadratic polynomial ($F(x,y) = a + bx + cy + dx^2 + exy + fy^2$), what can you say about convergence of Newton's method?

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converges in a single iteration

3. It can be shown that for Mueller's method, $e_{n+1} \approx M e_n e_{n-1} e_{n-2}$. If Mueller's method is order α , ie, $e_{n+1} \approx C e_n^\alpha$, find an equation satisfied by α . Then use any method we have studied to find a root of this equation. (Hint: First write e_{n-1} and e_{n-2} in terms of e_n .)

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$$e_n = C e_{n-1}^\alpha \quad e_{n-1} = \left(\frac{e_n}{C}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

$$e_{n-1} = C e_{n-2}^\alpha \quad e_{n-2} = \left(\frac{e_{n-1}}{C}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} = D e_n^{\frac{1}{\alpha^2}}$$

$$e_{n+1} = \frac{M}{E} e_n e_n^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} e_n^{\frac{1}{\alpha^2}} = \frac{M}{E} e_n^{1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2}}$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\alpha^2} = \alpha$$

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$$\alpha^3 - \alpha^2 - \alpha - 1 = 0 \quad \alpha_{n+1} = (1 + \alpha_n + \alpha_n^2)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\alpha_n \rightarrow 1.839$$

4. About how many bisection iterations should be required to obtain an error less than ϵ , knowing that $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ have opposite signs?

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$$\frac{b-a}{2^n} = \epsilon$$

$$N = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{b-a}{\epsilon}\right)}{\ln 2}$$

5. Estimate the order of convergence for:

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- a. Newton's method applied to $f(x) = (x-3)^3(x-4)$, starting near the root $r=3$. 1
- b. Same as (a) but starting near the root $r=4$. 2
- c. Same as (a) but using Secant method. 1
- d. Same as (a) but using Secant method and starting near the root $r=4$. 1.618
- e. A root finder which produces consecutive errors of 10^{-5} , 10^{-7} and 10^{-12} . 2.5
- f. The iteration $x_{n+1} = g(x_n)$ if $r = g(r)$ and $g'(r) = g''(r) = 0$ but $g'''(r) \neq 0$, and you start near the root r . 3
- g. The bisection method. 1
- h. The method $x_{n+1} = x_n - f(x_n)/f'(x_0)$. 1

Math 5329, Test I (2)

Name Key

1. a. Find $T_n(x)$, the Taylor series of degree n for the function $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$, expanded around $a=0$.
 (Hint: $f^{(n)}(x) = (-1)^{n-1}(n-1)!/(1+x)^n$, for $n \geq 1$.)

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$$T_n(x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots + \frac{x^n}{n} (-1)^{n-1}$$

- b. Find $E_n(x)$, the error in $T_n(x)$, and find a reasonable upper bound on $|E_n(1)|$.

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$$|E_n(x)| = \left| \frac{(-1)^n n!}{(1+x)^{n+1}} \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{(1+x)^{n+1}} \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \right| \leq \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right)$$

- c. Estimate the number of terms n required for $T_n(x)$ to approximate $f(1) = \ln(2)$ to 5 decimal places accuracy.

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$$n \geq 100,000$$

- d. Would you expect roundoff error to be a serious concern in (c)? Why or why not?
 (Hint: $1 + 1/2 + 1/3 + 1/4 + 1/5 + \dots + 1/n \approx \ln(n)$, for large n .)

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$$\ln 2 \approx \left[1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots + \frac{1}{99999} \right] - \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots + \frac{1}{100000} \right]$$

$\approx \text{pos} - \text{neg}$
 $\text{pos} \leq \ln(100000) = 11$
 $\text{neg} \leq 11$
 $\ln 2 \geq 0.69$
 7% difference or so
 NOT "nearly equal"

2. Estimate the order of convergence of a root-finder that has consecutive errors 0.2, 0.08, 0.002048.

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$$.08 = M (.2)^{\alpha}$$

$$.002048 = M (.08)^{\alpha}$$

$$39,0625 \approx 2.5^{\alpha}$$

$$\alpha = 4$$

3. A certain computer stores floating point numbers in a 128-bit word. If a floating point number is written in normalized binary form ($1.xxxxx..._2 \cdot 2^e$), it is stored using one sign bit (0 if the number is positive), then $e + 4095$ is stored in binary in the next 13 bits, and then the mantissa $xxxxx...$ is stored in the final 114 bits. Show exactly how the number -27.125 would be stored on this computer. Also: approximately how many **decimal** digits of accuracy does this machine have?

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$$-27.125 = 11011,001 = 1.1011001 \cdot 2^4$$

$$e + 4095 = 4099 = 10000000000011$$

let:

$$C00E C80 \dots 0$$

$$\boxed{1 \mid 10000000000011 \mid 101100100\dots}$$

$$2^{-14} \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-35} \quad \text{so } \approx 35 \text{ decimal digits}$$

4. The fixed point iteration $x_{n+1} = x_n + \sin(x_n)$ has roots at $r = n\pi$ for any integer n . Will this iteration converge if you start very close to the root $r = 0$? Will it converge if you start near the root $r = \pi$? In both cases, if it does converge, what is the order of convergence?

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$$g(x) = x + \sin(x)$$

$$g'(x) = 1 + \cos(x)$$

$$g''(x) = -\sin(x)$$

$$g'''(x) = -\cos(x)$$

$$r=0$$

$$g'(0) = 2$$

diverge

$$r=\pi$$

$$g'(\pi) = 0$$

$$g''(\pi) = 0$$

$$g'''(\pi) = -1$$

converge, order 3

5. Write the secant iteration for solving $f(x) = 1/x - b = 0$, in a form where no divisions are required (thus this iteration could be used to compute $1/b$ on a computer which cannot do divisions).

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

$$= x_n - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x_n} - b\right)(x_n - x_{n-1})}{\left(\frac{1}{x_n} - \frac{1}{x_{n-1}}\right)} = \frac{x_n + x_{n-1} - b x_n x_{n-1}}{1 - \frac{x_n x_{n-1}}{x_n x_{n-1}}}$$

6. To minimize the function $f(x, y) = 10(2x + y)^2 + (x - 2)^2$, set f_x and f_y equal to zero, and do one iteration of Newton's method, starting from $(0, 1)$ to solve this system of two equations and two unknowns. The true minimum is obvious from looking at the function, where is the minimum? From $(0, 1)$, what is the direction of steepest descent? Which converges faster, Newton's method or the method of steepest descent?

$$f_x = 20(2x + y)^2 + 2(x - 2) = 82x + 40y - 4$$

$$f_y = 20(2x + y) = 40x + 20y$$

$$\nabla f(0, 1) = (36, 20)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 82 & 40 \\ 40 & 20 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 36 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$

dir steepest descent = $\nabla f = (-36, -20)$

Newton converges faster
(one iteration!)

