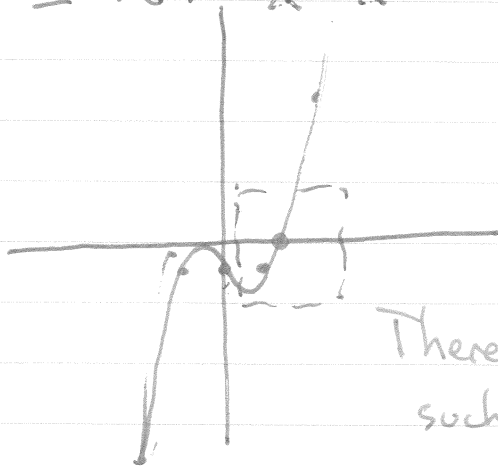


Newton's Method

Q: $f(x) = x^3 - x - 1$

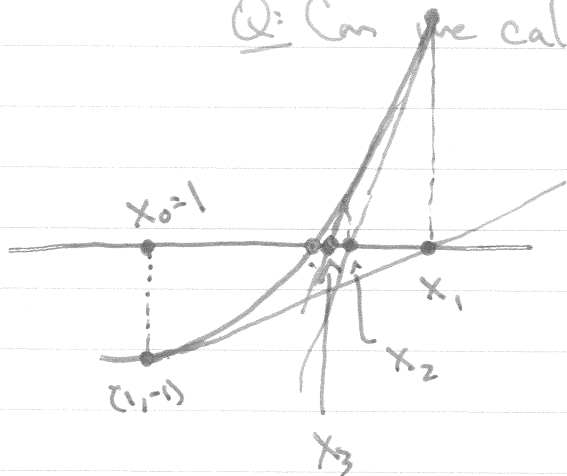


x	$f(x)$
-2	-7
-1	-1
0	-1
1	-1
2	5

There is a point x between 1 & 2 such that $f(x) = 0$

Q: Can we calculate this root?

Newton's Method



- Guess $x_0 = 1$
- Draw tangent line to $y = f(x)$ at $x = x_0$, and see where it intersects x -axis. x_1

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

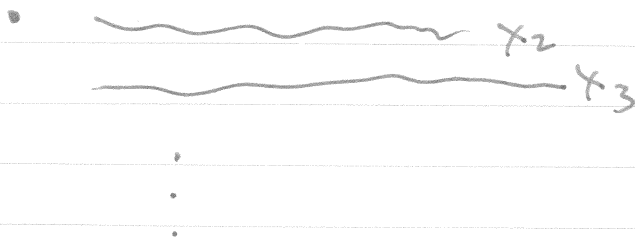
$$x_0 = 1$$

$$x_1 = 1 - \frac{1^3 - 1 - 1}{3 \cdot 1^2 - 1} = 1.5$$

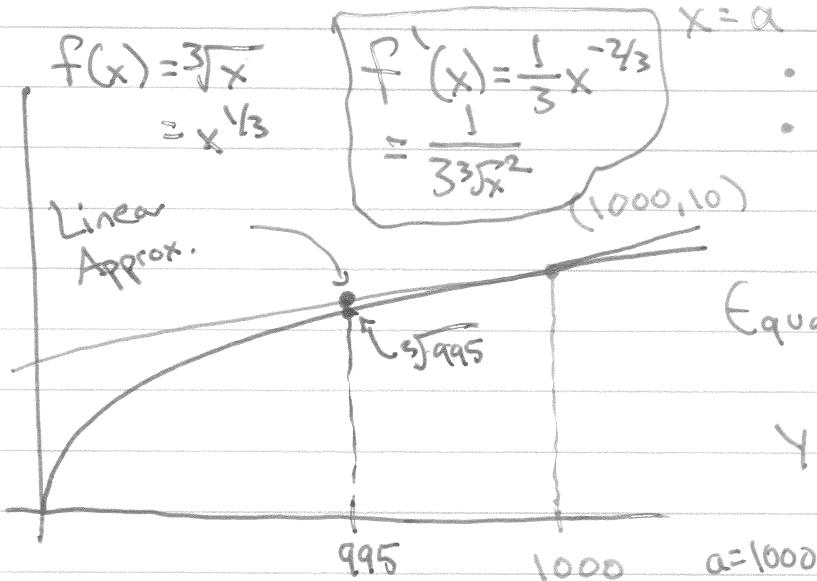
$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$$

- Draw tangent at $x = x_1$, intersects x -axis at x_2 .

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



Approximate $\sqrt[3]{995}$



$x=a$ should satisfy:

- Know $f(a)$, $f'(a)$
 - Needs to be close to 995
- $a=1000$

Equation of Tangent Line

$$y = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

$$y = f(1000) + f'(1000)(x-1000)$$
$$= 10 + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 10^2}(x-1000)$$

$$= 10 + \frac{1}{300}(x-1000)$$

Plug $x=995$. $\rightarrow 10 + \frac{995-1000}{300}$

$$= 10 - \frac{1}{60} = 9.9833 = \frac{59}{60}$$

This is an overestimate because $\sqrt[3]{x}$ has 2nd derivative negative.

Quiz 1: Mean - 12.1
Std Dev - 3.2

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+2}}$$

$$f'(x) = ?$$

$$\frac{-1}{2(x^2+2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\frac{-x}{(x^2+2)^{3/2}}$$

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$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2+2}} = \frac{1}{(x^2+2)^{1/2}} = (x^2+2)^{-1/2}$$

Chain Rule: $g(x) = x^2+2$ $= h(g(x))$
 $h(x) = x^{-1/2}$

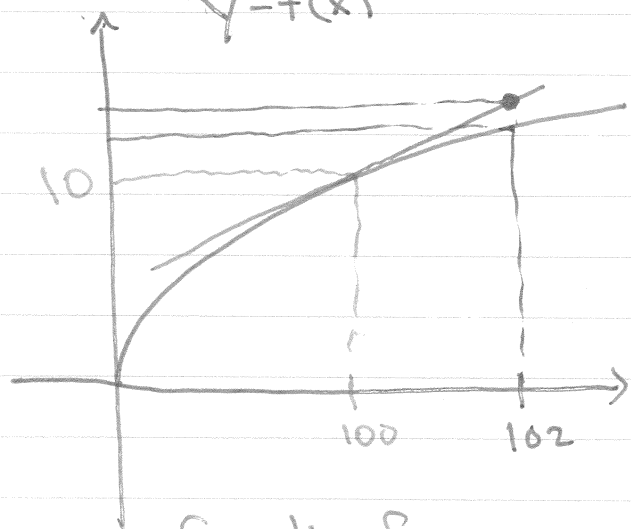
$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{h'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)}{-\frac{1}{2}(x^2+2)^{-3/2} \cdot 2x} = \frac{-x}{(x^2+2)^{3/2}}$$

Last time: Linear Approximation.

$$\text{Ex. } \sqrt{102} = ?$$

$$y = f(x)$$

$$y = \sqrt{x}$$



We know $\sqrt{100} = 10$

Draw the tangent line at $x=100$

Because 100 is close to 102, the value of y at $x=102$ for the tangent line is a good approx. for $\sqrt{102}$.

Equation for Tangent Line:

$$y = f(a) + f'(a)(x-a)$$

to $y = f(x)$
at $x = a$

$(a, f(a))$ is on the line.