

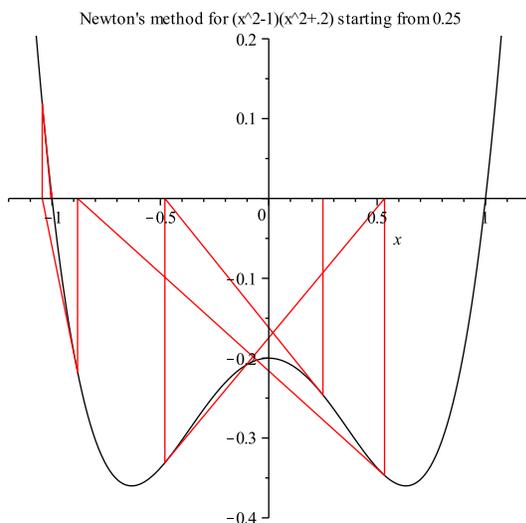
26. (expires 5/10) Write a Maple procedure to implement Newton's method. As input, it should take as input a function f , an initial guess x_0 , and a number of iterates n . Then it should calculate

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)}{f'(x_i)}$$

optionally printing out i , x_i , and $f(x_i)$, as i ranges from 1 to n . It should return x_n .

27. (expires 5/10) Adapt your answer to the previous problem to graphically illustrate the process of Newton's method for any given function and initial guess.

Specifically, your procedure should take a function as input a function f , an initial value x_0 , a number of iterates n , and an x -range for the plot. Then it should print out the values of i , x_i and $f(x_i)$ for $0 \leq i \leq n$ (where x_{i+1} is given by one step of Newton's method from x_i), and produce a graph of $f(x)$, together with the x_i indicated as in the graph below.



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1, 0.25, -0.24609375
2, -0.4791666667, -0.3309640767
3, 0.5341996093, -0.3468597849
4, -0.8818848457, -0.2173269360
5, -1.044991129, 0.1188729407
6, -1.003895062, 0.009427277846
7, -1.000032517, 0.00007804622955
8, -1.000000002, 4.800000016*10-9
    
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28. (expires 5/10) Consider the following function on positive integers n . If n is even, then let $c(n) = n/2$. If n is odd, let $c(n) = 3n + 1$.

The Collatz conjecture, proposed in 1937 by Luthar Collatz, is that if for any initial n , $c(n)$ is applied repeatedly, the process eventually arrives at with $n = 1$. For example, if we begin with 11, we get the sequence

11, 34, 17, 52, 26, 13, 40, 20, 10, 5, 16, 8, 4, 2, 1

and it takes 14 steps to arrive at 1. The sequence beginning with 27 takes 111 steps to arrive at 1.

Write a *recursive* Maple procedure `Collatz` which, given an initial n , calls itself to determine how many steps are required to arrive at 1. Along the way, it should print out the value of the sequence. For example, `Collatz(3)` should print out the value 3 and return `1+Collatz(10)`. `Collatz(1)` should print 1 and return 0.