

Newton's Rapheson Method (N-R Method)

Algorithm

Newton Raphson method Steps (Rule)	
Step-1:	Find points a and b such that $a < b$ and $f(a) \cdot f(b) < 0$.
Step-2:	Take the interval $[a, b]$ and find next value $x_0 = a + \frac{b-a}{2}$
Step-3:	Find $f(x_0)$ and $f'(x_0)$ $x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$
Step-4:	If $f(x_1) = 0$ then x_1 is an exact root, else $x_0 = x_1$
Step-5:	Repeat steps 2 to 4 until $f(x_i) = 0$ or $ f(x_i) \leq \text{Accuracy}$

Example-1

Find a root of an equation $f(x) = x^3 - x - 1$ using Newton Rapheson method

Solution:

Here $x^3 - x - 1 = 0$

Let $f(x) = x^3 - x - 1$

$\therefore f'(x) = 3x^2 - 1$

Here

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

Here $f(1) = -1 < 0$ and $f(2) = 5 > 0$

$\therefore$ Root lies between 1 and 2

$x_0 = 1 + \frac{2-1}{2} = 1.5$

1st iteration :

$$f(x_0) = f(1.5) = 0.875$$

$$f'(x_0) = f'(1.5) = 5.75$$

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

$$x_1 = 1.5 - \frac{0.875}{5.75}$$

$$x_1 = 1.34783$$

2nd iteration :

$$f(x_1) = f(1.34783) = 0.10068$$

$$f'(x_1) = f'(1.34783) = 4.44991$$

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

$$x_2 = 1.34783 - \frac{0.10068}{4.44991}$$

$$x_2 = 1.3252$$

3rd iteration :

$$f(x_2) = f(1.3252) = 0.00206$$

$$f'(x_2) = f'(1.3252) = 4.26847$$

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

$$x_3 = 1.3252 - \frac{0.00206}{4.26847}$$

$$x_3 = 1.32472$$

4th iteration :

$$f(x_3) = f(1.32472) = 0$$

$$f'(x_3) = f'(1.32472) = 4.26463$$

$$x_4 = x_3 - \frac{f(x_3)}{f'(x_3)}$$

$$x_4 = 1.32472 - \frac{0}{4.26463}$$

$$x_4 = 1.32472$$

Approximate root of the equation $x^3 - x - 1 = 0$ using Newton Raphson method is 1.32472

n	x_0	$f(x_0)$	$f'(x_0)$	x_1	Update
1	1.5	0.875	5.75	1.34783	$x_0 = x_1$
2	1.34783	0.10068	4.44991	1.3252	$x_0 = x_1$
3	1.3252	0.00206	4.26847	1.32472	$x_0 = x_1$
4	1.32472	0	4.26463	1.32472	$x_0 = x_1$