

$$\frac{90}{90} = \frac{100}{100}$$

## CS 4365/CS 5354 Data Processing Under Security and Privacy Summer 2016, Test 1

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1. Similarly to how we used Newton's method to design algorithms for computing square root and cubic root, design an algorithm for computing the logarithm  $x = \ln(a)$  as a solution to the equation

$$e^x = a.$$

Suppose we know the approximate solution  $x^{(k)}$  at step  $k$ , then

$$x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} + \Delta x$$

According to Newton's method,

$$\Delta x = -\frac{f(x^{(k)})}{f'(x^{(k)})}$$

$$f(x) = e^x - a = 0$$

$$f'(x) = e^x$$

$$\therefore \Delta x = -\frac{e^x - a}{e^x} = \frac{a - e^x}{e^x} = \left(\frac{a}{e^x} - 1\right) \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

- ① Approximate a value, for example,  $x^{(0)} = 0$ .
- ② Compute  $\Delta x$  where  $x = x^{(k)}$  [At first time  $k=0$ ]  
using equation (i)
- ③  $x^{(k+1)} = x^{(k)} + \Delta x$
- ④ Repeat the step (2) to (3) until the approximation of  $x$  is ~~close~~ very close to solution meaning the error is less than a predefined tolerance.

2. Use the algorithm for computing  $1/b$  that we had in class (and that is implemented in the computers) to perform the few first steps of computing the ratio  $1/1.1$ .

Let  $\frac{1}{b} = x$  such that  $x \cdot b = 1$ .

$$F(x) = x \cdot b - 1 = 0$$

$$F'(x) = b$$

using Newton's method,

$$\Delta = -\frac{F(x)}{F'(x)} = -\frac{x \cdot b - 1}{b} = \frac{1 - x \cdot b}{b}$$

$$= (1 - x \cdot b) \cdot \frac{1}{b}$$

In every step,  $x$  is the approximate value for  $(\frac{1}{b})$ . Therefore, we can write,

$$\Delta x = (1 - x \cdot b) \cdot x$$

So at step  $k+1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{(k+1)} &= x^{(k)} + (1 - x^{(k)} \cdot b) \cdot x^{(k)} \\ &= x^{(k)} (2 - x^{(k)} \cdot b) \end{aligned}$$

In the problem,  $b = 1.1$

Let  $x^{(0)} = 1$ ,

Iteration 1,  $x^{(1)} = 0.9$

Iteration 2,  $x^{(2)} = 0.909$

Iteration 3,  $x^{(3)} = 0.9090909$

$x^{(3)}$  is very close to solution, so we can stop here.

$$x = 0.9090909$$

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3. Use numerical differentiation to compute the derivative of the function  $x^2 - x$  when  $x = 1$ . 10/10

4. Use linearization technique and your estimate for the derivative to estimate the range of this function when  $x$  is in the interval  $[0.9, 1.1]$ . 10/10

5. Use naive interval computations to estimate the same range. 10/10

6. Use mean value form to estimate the same range. 10/10

3. By definition of differentiation,

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \rightarrow (i)$$

for some small value of  $h \ll 1$ , we can write,

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Here,  $f(x) = x^2 - x$

we want to find  $f'(x)$  at point  $x=1$ .

Let  $h = 0.001$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{f(1.001) - f(1)}{0.001} \\ &= 1.001 \end{aligned}$$

if  $h = 0.00001$ ,

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(1.00001) - f(1)}{0.00001} = 1.00001$$

Analytical solution:  $f'(1) = 1$ , which is very close to numerical differentiation.

4. Here given that.

$$y = f(x) = x^2 - x \text{ where}$$

$$x \in [0.9, 1.1]$$

$$\tilde{x} = \frac{x + \bar{x}}{2} = \frac{0.9 + 1.1}{2} = 1$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{\bar{x} - x}{2} = \frac{1.1 - 0.9}{2} = 0.1$$

$$\tilde{y} = f(\tilde{x}) = 1^2 - 1 = 0$$

We know,

$$\Delta = \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right| \Delta x$$

$$= |(2x - 1)| \cdot \Delta x$$

$$= |(2 \cdot 1 - 1)| \cdot 0.1$$

$$= 1 \cdot 0.1$$

$$= 0.1$$

$$\therefore \text{The range of } y = [0 - 0.1, 0 + 0.1]$$

$$= [-0.1, 0.1]$$

5.

$$f(x) = x^2 - x \text{ where } x \in [0.9, 1.1]$$

$$= [0.9, 1.1]^2 - [0.9, 1.1]$$

$$= [0.81, 1.21] - [0.9, 1.1]$$

$$= [-0.29, 0.31]$$

6.  $f(x) = x^2 - x$  where  $x \in [0.9, 1.1]$   
 $\Delta x = 0.1$ ,  $\tilde{x} = 1$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 2x - 1$$

$$\tilde{y} = f(\tilde{x}) = 1^2 - 1 = 0$$

According to mean-value form

$$f(x) \in \tilde{y} + \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right] \cdot [-\Delta x, \Delta x]$$

$$= 0 + [2x - 1] [-\Delta x, \Delta x]$$

$$2x - 1 = 2 [0.9, 1.1] - 1$$

$$= [1.8, 2.2] - 1$$

$$= [0.8, 1.2]$$

$$\therefore f(x) \in [0.8, 1.2] [-0.1, 0.1]$$

$$= [-0.12, 0.12]$$

7. Use Newton's method to solve the following system of non-linear equations:

$$x_1 * x_2 = 3, x_1 + x_2 = 4.$$

Start with the first approximation  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_2 = 2$ . One iteration is good enough.

Given

$$f_1(x_1, x_2) = x_1 * x_2 - 3 = 0$$

$$f_2(x_1, x_2) = x_1 + x_2 - 4 = 0 \quad \text{and } x_1^{(0)} = 1 \quad \text{and } x_2^{(0)} = 2$$

According to Newton's method for systems of non-linear equations, we can write,

$$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} \Delta x_2 = -f_1(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)})$$

$$\frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} \Delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} \Delta x_2 = -f_2(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)})$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} = x_2 \\ \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} = x_1 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} = 1 \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} = 1 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore f_1(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)}) = 1 * 2 - 3 = -1$$

$$f_2(x_1^{(0)}, x_2^{(0)}) = 1 + 2 - 4 = -1$$

$$2 \Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = 1$$

$$\Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = 1$$

$$\therefore \Delta x_1 = 0$$

$$\text{and } \Delta x_2 = 1.$$

$$\therefore x_1^{(1)} = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$x_2^{(1)} = 2 + 1 = 3.$$

Solution,  $x_1 = 1$  and  $x_2 = 3$ .

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8. Find the point closest the origin on the line  $x_1 - x_2 = 1$ . In other words, find the values  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  for which the sum  $(x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2$  attains the smallest possible value under the constraint  $x_1 - x_2 = 1$ .

$$f(x) = (x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2$$

$$g(x) = x_1 - x_2 - 1 = 0$$

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using Lagrange multiplier,

$$L(x) = (x_1)^2 + (x_2)^2 + \lambda (x_1 - x_2 - 1)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_1} = 2x_1 + \lambda = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_2} = 2x_2 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\therefore x_1 = -\frac{\lambda}{2}$$

$$\text{and } x_2 = \frac{\lambda}{2} = -x_1$$

from  $g(x) = 0$ , putting the value of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ ,

$$2x_1 = 1 \quad \therefore x_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{and } -2x_2 = 1$$

$$\therefore x_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$(x_1, x_2) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

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9. Explain what is k-anonymity, and why it is important. If k increases, will we get more or less privacy protection? Explain your answer.

Let a desired statistical characteristics for a dataset,

$$C(x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_n^{(1)}, \dots, x_1^{(N)}, \dots, x_n^{(N)}).$$

To protect privacy of the dataset, we can introduce interval instead of exact values. Assuming that the dataset distribute over a hyperspace, we can make cells for every characteristic to introduce interval.

k-anonymity is the condition where in every cell for different characteristics, there should be <sup>at least</sup> k different people after all queries.

This is the primary important concept in data privacy. Assume, from a people record dataset, we erase name of people. Still it's not private because if we know the scope/all people of the dataset, and allows to query for n-1 people, we can easily identify any private information of a particular person. k-anonymity solves this problem.

If k-increases, we will get more privacy, because for every query we will find at least k-people, which is difficult to identify ~~to~~ a particular person.