

## Math1024 Answer to Homework 1

EXERCISE 2.6.1 (3)

$$f'(x) = \log x + 1, f''(x) = \frac{1}{x}.$$

Let  $f'(x) = \log x + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = e^{-1}$  is a candidate of local extrema.  $f''(e^{-1}) = e > 0$ , then we could use Taylor expansion of  $f(x)$  at  $x = e^{-1}$  here, which is

$$f(x) = x \log x = -e^{-1} + \frac{e}{2}(x - e^{-1})^2 + o((x - e^{-1})^2)$$

From Theorem 2.6.1, we know that now  $x = e^{-1}$  is a local minimum.

EXERCISE 2.6.2

Differentiate  $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$ , we have  $3x^2 + 3y^2y' = 6y + 6xy'$ , move terms and simplify it, we can get  $(y^2 - 2x)y' = 2y - x^2$ .

Then the implicit function is well-defined when  $y^2 - 2x \neq 0$ . Under this condition, the first order derivative is

$$y' = \frac{2y - x^2}{y^2 - 2x}.$$

Combine  $2y - x^2 = 0$  and  $x^3 + y^3 = 6xy$ , that is, by solving system

$$\begin{aligned}x^3 + y^3 &= 6xy \\ 2y - x^2 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

We can find  $P = (\sqrt[3]{16}, \sqrt[3]{32})$  is the only candidate for local extrema of the implicit function. Finally, differentiate  $3x^2 + 3y^2y' = 6y + 6xy'$ , we have

$$y'' = \frac{2x + 2y(y') - 4y'}{2x - y^2}.$$

Since  $y'(P) = 0$ ,  $y''(P) < 0 \Rightarrow P$  is a local maximum.

EXERCISE 2.6.5 (2)

$f'(x) = x \sin x$ ,  $f'(0) = 0$ .  $f''(x) = \sin x + x \cos x$ ,  $f''(0) = 0$ .  $f'''(x) = 2 \cos x - x \sin x$ ,  $f'''(0) = 2 \neq 0$ , then 0 is not a local extrema.

EXERCISE 2.6.5 (4)

$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2!}x^2e^x$ ,  $f'(0) = 0$ .  $f''(x) = x^2e^x + \frac{1}{2!}x^2e^x$ ,  $f''(0) = 0$ .  $f'''(x) = e^2 + 2x^2e^x + \frac{1}{2!}x^2e^x$ ,  $f'''(0) = 1 > 0$ , then 0 is not a local extrema.

EXERCISE 2.6.6 (2)

For  $x \neq 0$  close to 0, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x) &= \frac{1}{x + bx^3} \left( x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120} + o(x^6) \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{1 - (-bx^2)} \left( 1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} + o(x^5) \right) \\
&= (1 - bx^2 + b^2x^4 + o(x^5)) \left( 1 - \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x^4}{120} + o(x^5) \right) \\
&= 1 - \left( b + \frac{1}{6} \right) x^2 + \left( b^2 + \frac{b}{6} + \frac{1}{120} \right) x^4 + o(x^5).
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $f(0) = 1$ , the 4-th order approximation also holds for  $x = 0$ .

Then, if  $b > -\frac{1}{6}$ , 0 is a local maximum; if  $b < -\frac{1}{6}$ , 0 is a local minimum; if  $b = -\frac{1}{6}$ , the coefficient of  $x^4$  equals  $\frac{1}{120} > 0$ , then 0 is a local minimum.

EXERCISE 2.6.7 (10)

$f(x) = x^x$  is well-defined when  $x > 0$ .

Let  $F(x) = \log f(x) = x \log x$ , then  $F'(x) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} = \log x + 1$ ,  $f'(x) = x^x(\log x + 1)$ .

$f''(x) = x^x(\log + 1)^2 + x^{x-1} > 0$  and thus  $f(x)$  is convex in  $(0, +\infty)$ .

EXERCISE 2.6.8

Recall that in  $(0, +\infty)$ ,  $x^p$  is convex when  $p \geq 1$  or  $p < 0$ , and is concave when  $0 < p < 1$ .

Here, we find the condition on  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $f(x)$  is convex on the whole real line. Then the domain of  $f(x)$  should be  $(-\infty, +\infty)$  and  $f(x)$  is continuous in the domain. So we have  $p > 0$  and  $q \geq 0$ ,  $f(0) = 0$ . Note that if  $f(x)$  is convex, then  $cf(x)$  is concave where  $c$  is a negative constant.

(1)  $p > 1$ ,  $q > 1$ .

If  $A \geq 0$  or  $B \geq 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is differentiable and  $f'(x)$  is increasing, so  $f(x)$  is convex.

If either  $A < 0$  and  $B < 0$ , then  $f(x)$  is strictly concave in a interval (concave but not a linear function), not convex.

(2)  $p > 1$ ,  $q = 1$ .

If  $A \geq 0$  and  $B > 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is not differentiable at the origin. Since for any  $x < 0$ ,  $y > 0$ ,  $f(x) > 0$  and  $f(y) > 0$ , then  $L_{x,y}(0) > f(0) = 0$ . Thus  $L_{x,y}(z) \geq L_{0,y}(z)$  for any  $z \in [(0, +\infty)$ , and  $L_{x,y}(z) > L_{x,0}(z)$  for any  $z \in (-\infty, 0)$ . But  $L_{0,y}(z) > f(0)$  for any  $z \in (0, +\infty)$  and  $L_{x,0}(z) > f(0)$  for any  $z \in (-\infty, 0)$  because of the condition of  $A$  and  $B$ , so  $L_{x,y}(z) \geq f(z)$  for any  $z$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .  $f(x)$  is convex.

If  $A \geq 0$  and  $B = 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is differentiable and  $f'(x)$  is increasing, so  $f(x)$  is convex.

If  $A < 0$ , then  $f(x)$  is strictly concave in a interval, not convex. If  $A \geq 0$  and  $B < 0$ , then you can easily find two point  $x < 0$  and  $y > 0$ , let  $L_{x,y}$  represent the corresponding linear function,  $L_{x,y}(0) < f(0) = 0$ , so  $f(x)$  is not convex. How to find such two point? Let me just take the case  $A > 0$  and  $B < 0$  as example. Fix a point  $x > 0$  on the negative part of the graph of  $f(x)$ , and the line passing  $x$  and origin will intersect a point  $z$  on the positive part. Take a point  $x$  between origin and  $z$ .  $x$  and  $y$  are what we want.

Similarly, you can deal with case of  $p = 1, q > 1$ .

(3)  $p > 1, 0 < q < 1$ .

If  $A < 0$  or  $B > 0$ , then  $f(x)$  is strictly concave in a interval,, not convex.

If  $A \geq 0$  and  $B = 0$ ,  $f(x)$  is differentiable and  $f'(x)$  is increasing, so  $f(x)$  is convex.

If  $A \geq 0$  and  $B < 0$ , similar argument as in (2) shows that you can easily find two point  $x < 0$  and  $y > 0$ ,  $L_{x,y}(0) < f(0) = 0$   $f(x)$  is not convex.

Similarly, you can deal with case of  $0 < p < 1, q > 1$ .

(4)  $p = 1$  and  $q = 1$ .

In this case, on the graph is that two rays are connected at the origin.  $A$  and  $-B$  are the slopes. You can easily check  $A + B \geq 0$  in order to  $f(x)$  is convex.

(5)  $p = 1$  and  $0 < q < 1$ .

If  $B > 0$ , then  $f(x)$  is strictly concave in a interval, not convex.

If  $B = 0$ , it is similar to case (4), but now  $B = 0$ , then  $A \geq 0$  in order to make  $f(x)$  convex.

If  $B < 0$ , no matter for any value of  $A$ , similar argument as in (2) shows that  $f(x)$  is not convex.

Similarly, you can deal with case of  $0 < p < 1, q = 1$ ,

(6)  $0 < p < 1, 0 < q < 1$ .

Then we have to let  $A \leq 0$  and  $B \leq 0$ .

If either  $A \neq 0$  and  $B \neq 0$ , similar argument as in (2) shows that  $f(x)$  is not convex. so  $A = B = 0$ .

(7)  $p > 0, q = 0$ .

Then we have to let  $B = 0$ , otherwise  $f(x)$  is not continue. Similar argument as in all cases above shows that: If  $p \geq 1, q = 0$ , then  $A \geq 0$ . If  $0 < p < 1, q = 0$ , then  $A = 0$ .

#### EXERCISE 2.6.9

By concavity of  $\log x$ , we have: for  $p, q > 0$  satisfying  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , and  $\forall x, y > 0$ ,

$$\log \left( \frac{x}{p} + \frac{y}{q} \right) \geq \frac{1}{p} \log x + \frac{1}{q} \log y.$$

Replace  $x$  and  $y$  respectively by  $x^p$  and  $y^q$ , then

$$\log \left( \frac{x^p}{p} + \frac{y^q}{q} \right) \geq \frac{1}{p} \log x^p + \frac{1}{q} \log y^q = \log xy.$$

By the fact that  $\log x$  is a increasing function, we have

$$\frac{x^p}{p} + \frac{y^q}{q} \geq xy.$$

#### EXERCISE 2.6.13 (3)

#### EXERCISE 2.6.14 (5)

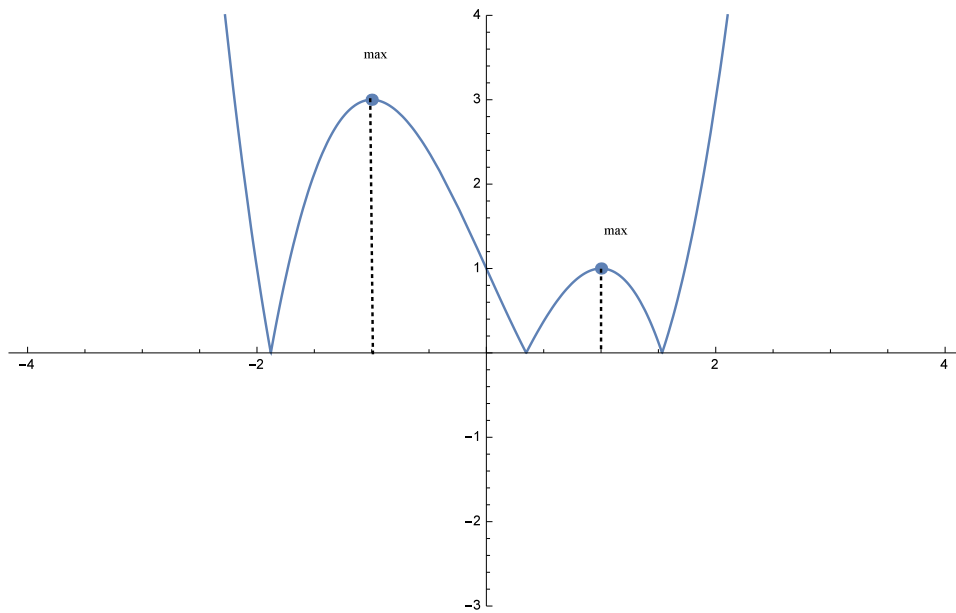


Figure 1: Exercise 2.6.13(3)

EXERCISE 2.6.18

When  $c = 0, d \neq 0$ , the function  $\frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$  would become a linear function, whose graph is just a line.

when  $c \neq 0, d \neq 0$ ,

$$\frac{ax + b}{cx + d} = \frac{\frac{a}{c}(cx + d) + b - \frac{ad}{c}}{cx + d} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{b - \frac{ad}{c}}{cx + d} = \frac{a}{c} + \frac{\frac{bc-ad}{c^2}}{x + \frac{d}{c}}.$$

From this form, the function could be seen as the shift and scaling of  $\frac{1}{x}$ .

Without loss of generality, we assume that  $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0, d < 0$ , then the graph of  $\frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$  would look like Figure 5.

EXERCISE 2.6.19 (4)

The function  $\frac{x^3}{(x-1)^2}$  is not defined at 1 and has limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{x^3}{(x-1)^2} = \infty$$

We can know the function information as following:

EXERCISE 2.7.1 (3)

We know from the Taylor Expansion that we could use

$$T_n(x) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)(x - x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!}(x - x_0)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}(x - x_0)^n$$

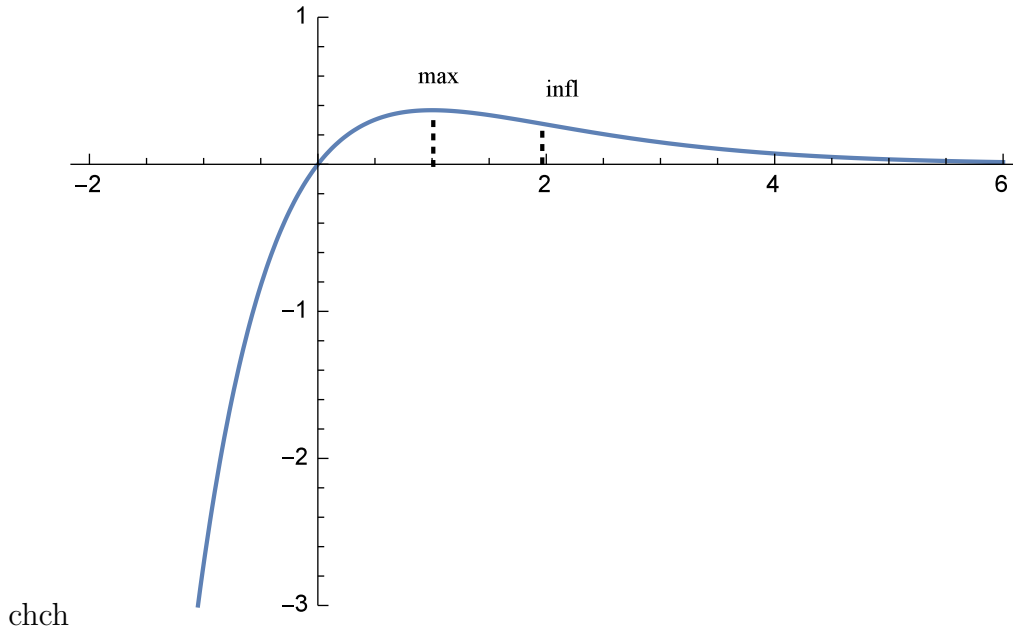


Figure 2: Exercise 2.6.14(5),  $0 < a < 1$

Table 1: Result of 2.6.19 (4)

$x$	$(-\infty, 0)$	0	$(0, 1)$	1	$(1, 3)$	3	$(3, \infty)$
$f = \frac{x^3}{(x-1)^2}$	$-\infty \leftarrow$	0		$\infty$		$\frac{27}{4}$	$\rightarrow \infty$
$f' = \frac{x^2(x-3)}{(x-1)^3}$		+			-	0	+
		$\nearrow$			$\searrow$	min	$\nearrow$
$f'' = \frac{6x}{(x-1)^4}$	-	inflection			+		

as  $n$ -th order approximation of a function  $f(x)$  when it has  $n$ -th order derivative at  $x_0$ . We just use linear approximation of  $\sqrt[n]{a^n + x}$  at  $x = 0$  here, which is

$$\sqrt[n]{a^n + x} \approx \sqrt[n]{a^n + 0} + \frac{1}{n}(a^n + 0)^{\frac{1}{n}-1}(x - 0) = a + \frac{x}{na^{n-1}}$$

for  $a > 0$ . Thus for  $\sqrt[5]{39}$ , we just take  $n = 5, a = 2, x = 7$ . Then  $\sqrt[5]{39} = 2 + \frac{7}{5 \cdot 2^4} = 2.0875$ .

EXERCISE 2.7.3 (1)

The Taylor expansion of  $\sin x$  tells us

$$\sin 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{3!}1^3 + R_3(1).$$

where

$$|R_3(1)| = \frac{\sin^{(4)}(c)}{4!}1^4 \leq \frac{\sin 1}{4!}, 0 < c < 1$$

Therefore  $\sin 1 = 1 - \frac{1}{6} = 0.833 \dots$  and the error is  $\frac{\sin 1}{4!} = 0.03506 \dots$

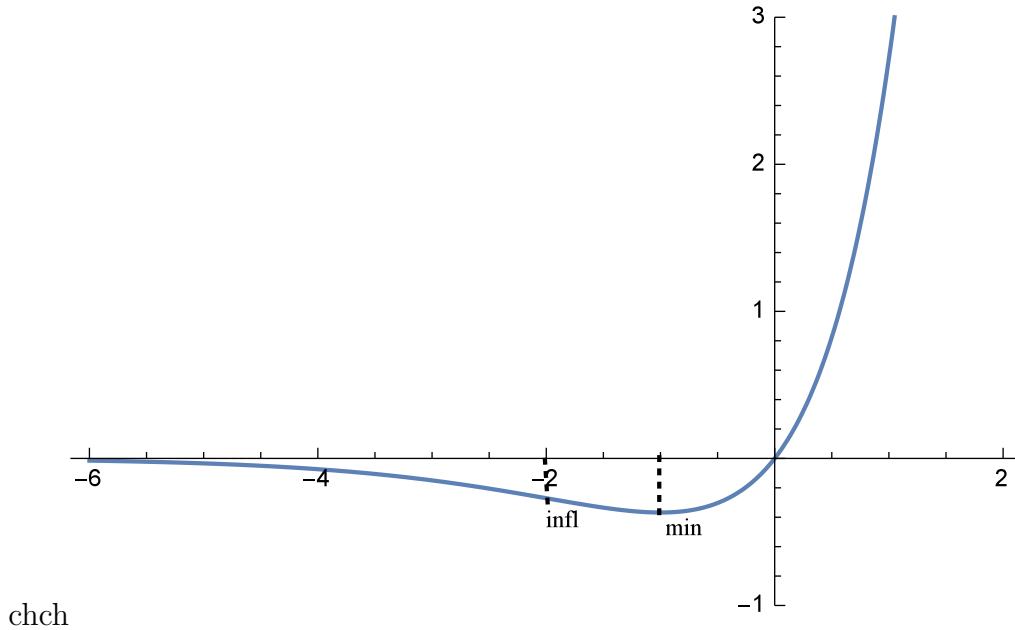


Figure 3: Exercise 2.6.14(5),  $a > 1$

EXERCISE 2.7.4 (1)

In order to find approximate values of  $\sin 1$  accurate up to the 10-th digit, we would use

$$|R_n(1)| = \left| \frac{\sin^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} 1^{n+1} \right|, \text{ where } 0 < c < 1$$

to control the error.

When  $n=13$ ,

$$|R_{13}(1)| = \left| \frac{\sin^{(14)}(c)}{14!} 1 \right| \leq \frac{\sin 1}{14!} = 9.65 \times 10^{-12},$$

Thus

$$\sin 1 \approx 1 - \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{5!} - \frac{1}{7!} + \frac{1}{9!} - \frac{1}{11!} + \frac{1}{13!} = 0.8414709848$$

EXERCISE 2.7.8

For the function  $f(x) = e^x - x - 2$ , we know it should have the unique solution on  $(1, 2)$  by  $f(1) = e - 1 - 2 = e - 3 < 0$  and  $f(2) = e^2 - 2 - 2 = e^2 - 4 > 0$ . Then take 1 as an initial value, just keep using the iteration induced by the Newton's method,

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = x_n - \frac{e^{x_n} - x_n - 2}{e^{x_n} - 1}.$$

We would find the sequence just converges very close to the exact root of  $f(x)$ . Actually we can write some simple codes by Matlab or other math softwares to get the iterative result for these questions. Here is a sample of Matlab codes and the corresponding result (values accurate up to 8-th digit) for this question:

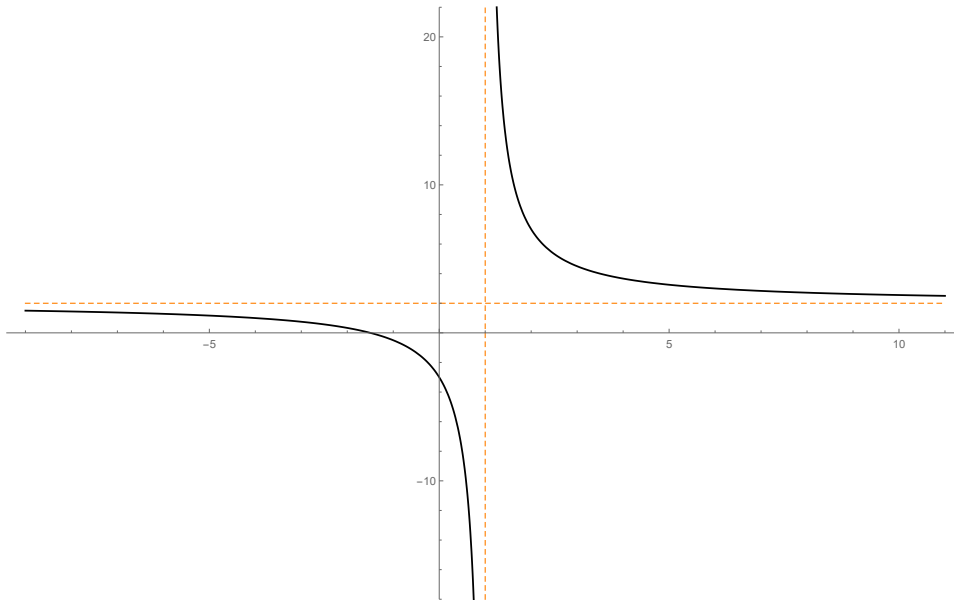


Figure 4: Graph of  $\frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$  when  $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0, d < 0$

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x = 1;
err = 10^(-10); %the value of error we hope to reach
n = 1;
f = exp(1) - 1 -2;
%The next three lines are used to print result
fprintf('step      x          f(x) \n')
fprintf('----  - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - \n')
fprintf('%3i   %8.8f   %8.8f \n', n, x, f)
while (abs(f) > err)
    n = n + 1;
    fprime = exp(x) - 1;
    y = x - f/fprime;
    x = y;
    f = exp(x) - x -2;
    fprintf('%3i   %8.8f   %8.8f \n', n, x, f)
end

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#### EXERCISE 2.7.10

To find the approximate value of  $\sqrt{4.05}$  is equivalent to find the root of  $f(x) = x^2 - 4.05$  and to find the approximate value of  $e^{-1}$  is equivalent to find the root of  $g(x) = \log(x) + 1$ . Similarly, we run some codes of Newton's method to get the approximate value by starting from 2 and 0.5 respectively. Here are results of iteration:

Thus the approximate value of  $\sqrt{4.05}$  is 2.0124611798 and the approximate value of  $e^{-1}$  is 0.3678794412.

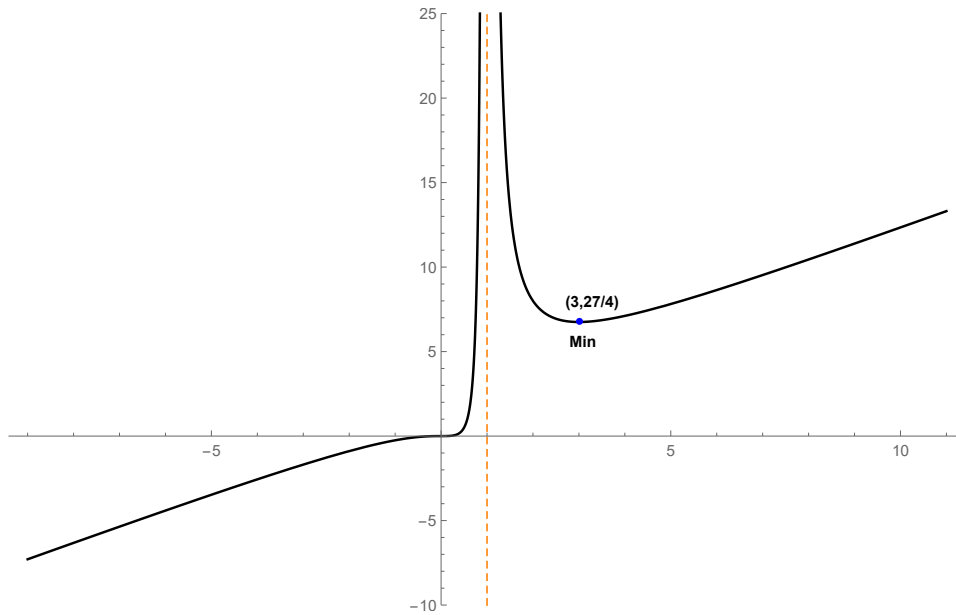


Figure 5: Graph of  $\frac{x^3}{(x-1)^2}$

Table 2: Result of 2.7.8

Step	$x$	$f(x)$
1	1.00000000	-0.28171817
2	1.16395341	0.03861595
3	1.14642119	0.00048934
4	1.14619326	0.00000008
5	1.14619322	0.00000000

#### EXERCISE 2.7.12

This is exactly the recursive relation induced by Newton's method. Cause getting the value of  $\sqrt{a}$  for  $a > 0$  equals to finding the root of  $f(x) = x^2 - a$ .

From Newton's method, we know that  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = x_n - \frac{x_n^2 - a}{2x_n} = \frac{1}{2}(x_n + \frac{a}{x_n})$ , which is just the recursive relation used by the ancient Babylonians to compute  $\sqrt{a}$ .

#### EXERCISE 2.7.15

1. For  $\sqrt[3]{x} = 0$ , we could get the iteration expression of Newton's method,

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = x_n - \frac{x_n^{1/3}}{\frac{1}{3}x_n^{-2/3}} = x_n - 3x_n = -2x_n.$$

This means that the iterative sequence would diverge if not starting from  $x_0 = 0$ . Thus Newton's method would fail when starting at any  $x_0 \neq 0$ .



Table 3: Result of 2.7.10 for  $\sqrt{4.05}$

Step	$x$	$f(x)$
1	2.00000000000	-0.05000000000
2	2.01250000000	0.00015625000
3	2.01246118012	0.00000000151
4	2.01246117975	0.00000000000

Table 4: Result of 2.7.10 for  $e^{-1}$

Step	$x$	$g(x)$
1	0.50000000000	0.30685281944
2	0.34657359028	-0.05966010114
3	0.36725020573	-0.00171190374
4	0.36787890273	-0.00000146364
5	0.36787944117	-0.00000000000

2. For  $\text{sign}(x)\sqrt{|x|} = 0$ , which is

$$\begin{cases} \sqrt{x} & x \geq 0, \\ -\sqrt{-x} & x < 0. \end{cases}$$

when written in the piecewise function. Then by Newton's method,

$$\text{when } x_n \geq 0, x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{\sqrt{x_n}}{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_n}}} = -x_n,$$

$$\text{when } x_n < 0, x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{-\sqrt{-x_n}}{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{-x_n}}} = x_n + 2\sqrt{-x_n}\sqrt{-x_n} = -x_n.$$

This also imply that the iterative sequence would diverge if not starting from  $x_0 = 0$  which actually just jumps between the starting point and the negative of it. Thus Newton's method would fail when starting at any  $x_0 \neq 0$ .