CS 210N: Numerical and Scientific Computing

Tutorial – 4

- 1. Which of the following behaviors are possible in using Newton's method for solving a nonlinear equation?
 - (a) It may converge linearly
 - (b) It may converge quadratically
 - (c) It may not converge at all
- 2. What is meant by a bracket for a non-linear function in one dimension? What does this concept have to do with zero finding?
- 3. What is meant by a quadratic convergence rate for an iterative method?
- 4. What is meant by a fixed point of a function g(x)?
- 5. Find the iterative methods based on the Newton Raphson methods for finding square root, inverse and cubic root of a real positive number N. Apply the method to N = 18 to obtain the result correct to two decimals.
- 6. Given the following equations:

(i) $x^4 - x - 10 = 0$ (ii) $x - e^{-x} = 0$

Determine the initial approximations. Use these to find the roots corresponding to three decimal places with the following methods:

- (a) the Regula Falsi method
- (b) the Secant method
- (c) the Newton-Raphson method
- 7. Perform two iterations with Muller method for the following equations:
 - (i) $\mathbf{x}^3 1/2 = 0, \mathbf{x}_0 = 0, \mathbf{x}_1 = 1, \mathbf{x}_2 = 1/2$
 - (ii) $\log x x + 3 = 0, x_0 = 1/4, x_0 = 1/2, x_2 = 1$
- 8. Express the Newton Iteration for solving each of the following nonlinear systems

(a)
$$\frac{\mathbf{x}_1^2 + \mathbf{x}_2^2 = 0}{\mathbf{x}_1^2 - \mathbf{x}_2^2 = 0}$$
 (b) $\frac{\mathbf{x}_1^2 + \mathbf{x}_1 \mathbf{x}_2^3 = 9}{3\mathbf{x}_1^2 \mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_2^3 = 4}$