

# Newton Rhapson Method - Edexcel Past Exam Questions MARK SCHEME

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	(a) Correct method for $f'(x)$ ; $x \cos x + \sin x + 2$	<b>M1A1</b>
	f(1) = -0.1585, $f'(1) = 3.382$ or better seen	A1
	Using N-R correctly: $u_1 = 1 - \frac{"-0.1585"}{"3.382"}$ ; = 1.05 (3 s.f)	M1A1 (5)
	[Notes: Answer 1.047, 1.05 implies second A mark}	
	(b) Two tangents drawn, one at $\{5, f(5)\}$ , the other at $\{x_2, f(x_2)\}$	M1
	$x_2$ , $x_3$ marked in appropriate positions	Al (2) [7]





NB. 
$$f(1) = 1 \cdot 0 \cdots$$
,  $f(1 \cdot 1) = 0 \cdot 42 \cdots$ ,  $f(1 \cdot 2) = -0 \cdot 2937 \cdots$   
 $f(1 \cdot 15) = 0 \cdot 0.78 \cdots$ ,  $f(1 \cdot 4) = -2 \cdot 05$ .  
(a)  $f(1 \cdot 2) = -0 \cdot 2937 \cdots$   
 $f(1 \cdot 1) = 0 \cdot 42 \cdots$  and  $f(1 \cdot 15) = 0 \cdot 0.78 \cdots$   
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 $f(1 \cdot 1), f(1 \cdot 1), f(1 \cdot 1)$  HI  
 $\therefore \quad \alpha = 1 \cdot 2$   
(b)  $f'(x) = 6\cos 2x - e^{-2x}$   
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 $f'(1 \cdot 2) = 1 \cdot 2 - \frac{-0 \cdot 2917 \cdots}{f'(1 \cdot 2)}$   
 $= 1 \cdot 1.6[2 \cdots ]$   
(c)  $f(1 \cdot 155) = 0.04 \cdots$   
 $f(1 \cdot 155) = -0.029 \cdots$ ,  $f(chenge of sign) \therefore \alpha = 1 \cdot 16$   
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 $f(1 \cdot 165) = -0.029 \cdots$ ,  $f(chenge of sign) \therefore \alpha = 1 \cdot 16$   
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Question Number	Scheme		Marks
(a)	$f(0.24) \approx -0.058, f(0.28) = 0.08$		M1
	Change of sign (and continuity) $\Rightarrow \alpha \in (0.24)$	, 0.28)	A1(2)
(b)	$f(0.26) \approx 0.017  (\Rightarrow \alpha \in (0.24, 0.2))$	//	M1
	$f(0.25) \approx -0.020  (\Rightarrow  \alpha \in (0.25, 0)$ $f(0.255) \approx -0.001  \Rightarrow  \alpha \in (0.255, 0)$	· /	M1 A1 (3)
		,	
(c)	$f(11) \approx 0.0534$ $f(x) = 2\cos\sqrt{x} + 1$	at least 3sf	B1
	$f'(x) = \frac{2\cos\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{4}$	.1	M1 A1
	$f'(11) \approx -0.3438$	at least 2sf	A1
	$\beta \approx 11 + \frac{0.0534}{0.3438} \approx 11.1$	6 <u>cao</u>	M1 A <u>1 (</u> 6)
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If f'(1	1) $\approx -0.3438$ is produced without working, the second se	his is to be	
accepte	d for three marks M1 A1 A1.		



(a) $f(2.0) = -0.30685 = -0.3069$ AWRT 3 d.p.	M1
f(2.5) = 0.41629 = 0.4163 both correct 4 d.p.	A1
States change of sign, so root (between 2 and 2.5)	B1(3)
Note: B1 gained if candidate's 2 values do show a change of sign and statement made	
(b) $f(2.25) = 0.06093(\ge 3 d.p.)$ [Allow ln.2.25 + 2.25 - 3]	M <u>1.A</u> 1
$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 1, \qquad f'(2.25) = 1.4 \text{ or } 1\frac{4}{9} \text{ or } \frac{13}{9}  (allow \ 1.444)$ $\alpha = 2.25 - \frac{f(2.25)}{f'(2.25)}  ,  = 2.20781 = 2.208 \text{ AWRT}$	M1A <u>1 (</u> 5)
(c) $f(2.2075) =$ , {-6.3 x $10^{-4}$ } $f(2.2085) =$ , { 8.1 x $10^{-4}$ }	M1
:. Correct values ( $\geq 1$ s.f.), (root in interval) so root is 2.208 to 3 d.p. Notes:	A <u>1_(</u> 2)



Question number	Scheme	Marks	
	(a) $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 8$ $3x^2 + 8 = 0$ or $3x^2 + 8 > 0$	M1 A1	
	Correct derivative and, e.g., 'no turning points' or 'increasing function'. Simple sketch, (increasing, crossing positive <i>x</i> -axis) (or, if the M1 A1 has been scored, a <u>reason</u> such as 'crosses <i>x</i> -axis only once').	<u>B</u> 1	(3)
	(b) Calculate f(1) and f(2) (Values must be seen) $f(1) = -10$ , $f(2) = 5$ , Sign change, $\therefore$ Root	M1 A1	(2)
	(c) $x_1 = 2 - \frac{f(2)}{f'(2)}$ , $= 2 - \frac{5}{20}$ (=1.75) $x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$ , $(=1.75 - \frac{0.359375}{17.1875}) = 1.729$ (ONLY) ( $\alpha$ )	M1, A1	(4)
	(d) Calculate $f(\alpha - 0.0005)$ and $f(\alpha + 0.0005)$	<u>M</u> 1	
	(or a 'tighter' interval that gives a sign change). $f(1.7285) = -0.0077$ and $f(1.7295) = 0.0092,$ $\therefore$ Accurate to 3 d.p.	A1	(2)
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(a)	f(0.7) = -0.195028497 and $f(0.8) = 0.297206781$	B1, B1	
	Use $\frac{0.8 - \alpha}{\alpha - 0.7} = \frac{f(0.8)}{-f(0.7)}$ to obtain $\alpha = \frac{-0.8f(0.7) + 0.7f(0.8)}{f(0.8) - f(0.7)}$	M1	
	(=0.739620991) =0.740 Answer required to 3 dp or better	A1	(4)
(b)	$f'(x) = 6x + 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sec^2(\frac{x}{2})$	M1 A1	
	$f'(x) = 6x + 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sec^2(\frac{x}{2})$ Use $x_2 = 0.75 - \frac{f(0.75)}{f'(0.75)}$ (= 0.741087218)=0.741 Answer required to 3 dp or better	M1 A1	(4)
		[]	8]



( <i>a</i> )	f(1.6) = f(1.7) = (Evaluate both)	M1
	0.08 (or 0.09), $-0.3$ One +ve, one -ve or sign change, $\therefore$ root	A1 (2)
<i>(b)</i>	$f'(x) = -4\sin x - e^{-x}$	B1
	f(1.6) = f(1.7) = (Evaluate both) 0.08 (or 0.09), -0.3 One +ye, one -ye or sign change, $\therefore$ root f'(x) = -4 sin x - e <sup>-x</sup> 1.6 - $\frac{f(1.6)}{f'(1.6)}$	M1
	$= 1.6 - \frac{4\cos 1.6 + e^{-1.6}}{(-4\sin 1.6 - e^{-1.6})} \qquad \left( = 1.6 - \frac{0.085}{-4.2} \right)$	A1
		A1 (4)
		(6 marks)

Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	attempt evaluation of $f(1.1)$ and $f(1.2)$ (– looking for sign change)	M1
	f(1.1) = 0.30875, f(1.2) = -0.28199 Change of sign in $f(x) \Rightarrow$ root in the interval	A1 (2)
(b)	$f'(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^{-\frac{1}{2}} - 9x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$	M1 A1 A1 (3)
(c)	f(1.1) = 0.30875 $f'(1.1) = -6.37086$	B1 B1
	$x_1 = 1.1 - \frac{0.30875}{-6.37086}$	M1
	= 1.15(to 3 sig.figs.)	A1 (4) [9]



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Marks

B1

M1, A1

A1

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Question 9			
Question Number	Scheme		
(a)	At st. pt $f'(x) = 0$ , $\therefore x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$ is undefined		
	or at st. pt, <b>tan.</b> // to x-axis, or <b>tan.</b> does not cross x-axis, o.e.		
(b)	$f'(x) = -1 - 2x\cos(x^2)$ (may be seen in body of work)		
	f(0.6) = 0.0477, f'(0.6) = -2.123 (may be implied by correct answer)		
	Attempt to use $(x_1) = 0.6 - \frac{f(0.6)}{f'(0.6)}$ $[0.6 - \frac{0.0477}{-2.123}]$		
	= 0.622 (3 dp) (0.6224795)		
(c)	$f(0.6215) = 1.77 \times 10^{-3} > 0, f(0.6225) = -3.807 \times \times 10^{-4} < 0$		
	Change of sign in f(x) in (0.6215, 0.6225) "so 0.622 correct"		
Notes	(b) 2ndM: If the N-R statement applied to 0.6 <b>not</b> seen, can be implied if answer correct; otherwise MO		
	If no values for $f(0.6)$ , $f'(0.6)$ seen, they can be implied if final answer correct.		
	<ul> <li>(c) M: For candidates x<sub>1</sub>, calculate f(x<sub>1</sub> - 0.0005) and f(x<sub>1</sub> + 0.0005) (or a tighter interval)</li> <li>A: Requires correct values of f(0.6215) and f(0.6225) (or their</li> </ul>		
	acceptable values) [may be rounded, e.g. $2 \times 10^{-3}$ , or truncated,		
	e.g – $3.80 \times 10^{-4}$ ], sign change stated or >0, <0 seen, and		
	conclusion.		
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Question Number	Scheme	Marks
(a)	$f(2.2) = 2.2^{3} - 2.2^{2} - 6 \qquad (= -0.192)$ $f(2.3) = 2.3^{3} - 2.3^{2} - 6 \qquad (= 0.877)$	M1
(b)	Change of sign $\Rightarrow$ Root need numerical values correct (to 1 s.f.). $f'(x) = 3x^2 - 2x$	A1 (2) B1
	f'(2.2) = 10.12	B1
	$x_{1} = x_{0} - \frac{f(x_{0})}{f'(x_{0})} = 2.2 - \frac{-0.192}{10.12}$ = 2.219	M1 A1ft A1cao (5)

Question Number	NCDeme	
(a)	$f(0.8) = \sin 1.6 - \ln 2.4$ (= 0.1241)	
(b)	$f(0.9) = \sin 1.8 - \ln 2.7 \qquad (= -0.0194)$ Values correct (to 1 s.f.). Change of sign $\Rightarrow$ Root $f'(x) = 2\cos 2x, \ -\frac{1}{x }$ $x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = 0.9 - \frac{-0.0194}{-1.5655}, = 0.888$	1M1 1A1 (2) 1B1, 2B1 1M1 1A1 2A1
(c)	$\frac{0.1241}{k} = \frac{0.0194}{0.1 - k}$ (where root is approx. 0.8 + k) $k = 0.086$ $\alpha \approx 0.886$ (Allow awrt)	(5) M1 1A1ft 2A1 (3) [10]



Question Number	Scheme	Marks	
	(a) $f(2) = 2\cos 2 - 4 + 5$ (= 0.1677)		
	$f(2.1) = 2.1\cos 2.1 - 4.2 + 5  (= -0.2601)$ Values correct (to 1 s.f.). Change of sign $\Rightarrow$ Root	M1 A1	(2)
	(b) $f'(x) = \cos x - x \sin x - 2$ $x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = 2 - \frac{0.1677}{-4.2347}, = 2.04$	M1 A1 M1 A1, A1	(5)
	(c) $f(2.035) = \dots$ and $f(2.045) = \dots$	M1	
	0.0189 and $-0.0238$ Change of sign $\Rightarrow$ Correct to 2 d.p.	A1	(2) <b>[9]</b>
	(c) The M1 is also given for evaluating f at the ends of a 'tighter' interval.		

Question Number	Sche	eme	Marks
	(a) $f(1.3) = -1.439$ and $f(1.4) = 0.268$	(allow awrt)	B1 (1)
	(b) $f(1.35) < 0 (-0.568) \Rightarrow 1$	$35 < \alpha < 1.4$	M1 A1
	$f(1.375) < 0 (-0.146) \implies 1.$	$375 < \alpha < 1.4$	A1 (3)
	(c) $f'(x) = 6x + 22x^{-3}$ $f(x_0) = 0.268$		M1 A1
	$x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = 1.4 - \frac{0.268}{16.417},$ =	1.384	M1 A1, A1 (5)
			[9]



Question Number	Scheme	Marks
	(a) $f(1.4) =$ and $f(1.5) =$ Evaluate both	M1
	$f(1.4) = -0.256$ (or $-\frac{32}{125}$ ), $f(1.5) = 0.708$ (or $\frac{17}{24}$ ) <b>Change of sign,</b> $\therefore$ <b>root</b>	A1 (2)
	Alternative method:	
	Graphical method could earn M1 if 1.4 and 1.5 are both indicated	
	A1 then needs correct graph and conclusion, i.e. change of sign ∴root	
	(b) $f(1.45) = 0.221$ or 0.2 [:root is in [1.4, 1.45]]	M1
	f(1.425) = -0.018 or -0.019 or -0.02	M1
	∴root is in [1.425, 1.45]	A1cso (3)
	(c) $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 7x^{-2}$	M1 A1
	$f'(1.45) = 9.636$ (Special case: $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 7x^{-2} + 2$ then $f'(1.45) = 11.636$ )	A1ft
	$x_1 = 1.45 - \frac{f(1.45)}{f'(1.45)} = 1.45 - \frac{0.221}{9.636} = 1.427$	M1 A1cao (5) <b>10 marks</b>



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	(a) $f(1.4) =$ and $f(1.5) =$	Evaluate both	M1
	$f(1.4) = -0.256$ (or $-\frac{32}{125}$ ), $f(1.5) = 0.256$	708 (or $\frac{17}{24}$ ) Change of si	<b>gn,</b> ∴ <b>root</b> A1 (2)
	Alternative method:		
	Graphical method could earn M1 if 1.	4 and 1.5 are both indicated	
	A1 then needs correct graph and conclu	ision, i.e. change of sign ∴root	:
	(b) $f(1.45) = 0.221$ or 0.2 [ $\therefore$ root is	in [1.4, 1.45] ]	M1
	f(1.425) = -0.018 or $-0.019$ or $-0.02$		M1
	∴root is in [1.425, 1.45]		A1cso (3)
	(c) $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 7x^{-2}$		M1 A1
	f'(1.45) = 9.636 (Special case: $f'(x)$	$= 3x^2 + 7x^{-2} + 2$ then f'(1.45)	=11.636) A1ft
	$x_1 = 1.45 - \frac{f(1.45)}{f'(1.45)} = 1.45 - \frac{0.221}{9.636} =$	1.427	M1 A1cao (5) <b>10 marks</b>



Question Number	Scheme	Notes	Marks
,	$f(x) = x^2 + \frac{5}{2x} - 3x - 1,  x \neq 0$		
(a)	$f(x) = x^2 + \frac{5}{2}x^{-1} - 3x - 1$		
-	$f'(x) = 2x - \frac{5}{2}x^{-2} - 3\{+0\}$	At least two of the four terms differentiated correctly.	M1 A1
		Correct differentiation. (Allow any correct unsimplified form)	
	$\left\{ f'(x) = 2x - \frac{5}{2x^2} - 3 \right\}$		(2)
(b)	$f(0.8) = 0.8^2 + \frac{5}{2(0.8)} - 3(0.8) - 1(=0.365) \left(=\frac{73}{200}\right)$	A correct numerical expression for f(0.8)	В1
-	$f'(0.8) = -5.30625 \left( = \frac{-849}{160} \right)$	Attempt to insert $x = 0.8$ into their f'(x). Does not require an evaluation. (If f'(0.8) is incorrect for their derivative and there is no working score M0)	м1
-	$\alpha_2 = 0.8 - \left(\frac{"0.365"}{"-5.30625"}\right)$	Correct application of Newton-Raphson using their values. Does not require an evaluation.	M1
	= 0868786808		
-	= 0.869 (3dp)	0.869	A1 cao
	A correct answer only with no working scores no marks. N-R must be seen. Ignore any further applications of N-R		
	A derivative of $2x - 5(2x)^{-2} - 3$ is quite common and leads to $f'(0.8) = -3.353125$ and a final		
	answer of 0.909. This would normally score M1A0B1M1M1A0 (4/6)		
	Similarly for a derivative of $2x - 10x^{-2} - 3$ where the corresponding values are		
	f'(0.8) = -17.025 and answer 0.821		