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MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
ENR 302 ASSIGNMENT II

If the maximum percentage absolute error is desired to be $1E-9$, using the Newton-Raphson iteration method and initial guess value of 0.5, find the root of the function given in eqn. (1-1)

a) manually and

b) with the aid of MATLAB

$$f(x) = e^{-0.5x} (4-x) - 2$$

NB: For the manual solution, use all the values given by the calculator

Soln

$$f(x) = e^{-0.5x} (4-x) - 2$$

$$f'(x) =$$

$$\text{let } u = e^{-0.5x} \quad \& \quad v = (4-x)$$

$$du = -0.5e^{-0.5x} \quad ; \quad dv = -1$$

$$f'(x) = e^{-0.5x} - 0.5e^{-0.5x} (4-x)$$

$$x_0 = 0.5 \text{ [initial guess]}$$

General Newton-Raphson's formula

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

$$f(x_0) = f(0.5) = 0.725827407$$

$$f'(x_0) = f'(0.5) = -2.141702153$$

$$x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = 0.8388906061$$

$$f(x_1) = 0.07814929779$$

$$f'(x_1) = -1.642200929$$

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = 0.885708802$$

$$f(x_2) = 7.845 \times 10^{-12}$$

$$f'(x_2) = -1.642200704$$

$$x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)} = 0.885708802$$

