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If the maximum percentage absolute error is desired to be 1% , using the Newton-Raphson iteration method and initial guess value of 0.5 , find the root of the function given in eqn (1.1):
 $f(x) = e^{-0.5x} (4-x) - 2$

Soln

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

$$f'(x) = -2e^{-0.5x} - e^{-0.5x} + 0.5xe^{-0.5x}$$
$$= (-2 + 0.5x)e^{-0.5x}$$
$$= (-3 + 0.5x)e^{-0.5x}$$

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)}{f'(x_i)}$$
$$= x_i - \frac{e^{-0.5x_i} (4-x_i) - 2}{(-3 + 0.5x_i)e^{-0.5x_i}}$$

using initial guess value of 0.5

$$x_{(1)} = 0.5 - \frac{e^{-0.5(0.5)} (4-0.5) - 2}{(-3 + 0.5(0.5))e^{-0.5(0.5)}}$$
$$= 0.83889$$

when $x_i = 0.83889$

$$x_{(2)} = 0.83889 - \frac{e^{-0.5(0.83889)} (4-0.83889) - 2}{(-3 + 0.5(0.83889))e^{-0.5(0.83889)}}$$
$$= 0.88496$$

when $x_i = 0.88496$

$$x_{(3)} = 0.88496 - \frac{e^{-0.5(0.88496)} (4-0.88496) - 2}{(-3 + 0.5(0.88496))e^{-0.5(0.88496)}}$$

2 0.885709

i	x_{i+1}	Σq
0	0.5	0
1	0.83889	40.39747299
2	0.88496	5.205388089
3	0.8857086071	0.08497204
4	0.885708802	2.22468558
5	0.885708802	1.52925215