

# Series 2, Taylor's expansion and Newton's method

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## Exercises:

(A1) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be twice differentiable and  $f'(a) = f'(b) = 0$ . Show, that there exists  $\xi \in (a, b)$  such that

$$|f''(\xi)| \geq \frac{4}{(b-a)^2} |f(b) - f(a)|.$$

(A2) Let  $f : (0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be twice differentiable and assume, that there exists  $x_0$  such that  $\sup_{x \in [x_0, +\infty)} |f''(x)| < +\infty$ . Show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f'(x) = 0.$$

(A3) Let  $f : (0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $C^2$  function on its domain and

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x f(x) = 0, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x f''(x) = 0.$$

Show that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} x f'(x) = 0$$

(A4) Calculate the limit of the sequence

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad x_{n+1} = x_n(1 - \ln(x_n)).$$

(A5) Calculate the limit of the sequence

$$x_1 = -2, \quad x_{n+1} = x_n + \frac{2^{x_n+1} - 1}{\ln(2)}.$$

Moreover, find  $n$  such that  $x_n$  approximates its limit with an error of at most  $2^{-15}$ .