

1. The equation  $x^3 + 7x - 2 = 55$  has a solution between 3 and 4.

Use trial and improvement to find this solution. Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

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2. Use trial and improvement to solve  $x^3 - x^2 = 85$ Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

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3. Use trial and improvement to solve  $x^3 + 5x = 70$ 

Give your answer to 1 decimal place.

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4. An approximate solution to an equation is found using this iterative process:

 $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{(x_n) + 10}$  and  $x_1 = 3$ 

a) Work out the values of  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ 

b) Work out the solution to 3 decimal places

..... (1)



5. An approximate solution to an equation is found using this iterative process:

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{(x_n)^3 - 3}{8}$$
 and  $x_1 = -1$ 

a) Work out the values of  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ 

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b) Work out the solution to 6 decimal places

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6. A sequence is defined by the term-to-term rule:

$$U_{n+1} = U_n^2 - 8U_n + 17$$

a) Given that  $U_1 = 4$ , find  $U_2$  and  $U_3$ 

b) Given instead that  $U_1 = 2$ , find  $U_2$ ,  $U_3$  and  $U_{100}$ 



7.(a) Show that the equation  $x^3 + 4x = 1$  has a solution between x = 0 and x = 1

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(b) Show that the equation  $x^3 + 4x = 1$  can be rearranged to give  $x = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{x^3}{4}$ 

(c) Starting with  $x_0 = 0$ , use the iteration formula  $x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{x_n^3}{4}$ twice, to find an estimate to the solution of  $x^3 + 4x = 1$ 

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