

Math 6D Homework #2
Due in class Friday, Nov. 7.

- Use graphical analysis to describe the fate of all orbits for each of the following functions. Use different colors or different diagrams for orbits that behave differently.
 - $F(x) = 2x$
 - $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x$
 - $F(x) = -2x + 1$
 - $F(x) = x^2$
 - $F(x) = -x^3$

- Consider $F(x) = x^2 - 1$. First find the fixed points of F . Then use the fact that these points are also solutions of $F^2(x) = x$ to find the two-cycle for F .

- Find a period-two orbit for the tent map

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1/2 \\ 2 - 2x & \text{if } 1/2 \leq x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

- We're going to use Newton's method to solve the equation $x^2 + 1 = 0$.
 - Why is this a stupid thing to do?
 - Despite that, find the Newton function $N(x)$.
 - Show that if the initial guess is $x_0 = 1/\sqrt{3}$, then the subsequent guesses alternate between $-1/\sqrt{3}$ and $1/\sqrt{3}$ (no decimal approximations, please).
- Use graphical analysis to describe completely all orbits of the associated Newton function for each of the following functions.
 - $F(x) = 4 - 2x$
 - $F(x) = x^2 - 2x$
 - $F(x) = 1/x$
- Let F be a one-to-one differentiable map of the real line to itself. One-to-one means that if $F(x) = F(y)$, then $x = y$. F is called *increasing* if $x < y$ implies $F(x) < F(y)$, and *decreasing* if $x < y$ implies $F(x) > F(y)$.
 - Show that either F is increasing everywhere or F is decreasing everywhere.
 - Show that every orbit $\{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ of F^2 satisfies either $x_0 \geq x_1 \geq x_2 \geq \dots$ or $x_0 \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots$ (HINT: Show that $(F^2)'(x) \geq 0$ for all x .)
 - Show that every orbit of F^2 either diverges to $+\infty$ or $-\infty$ or converges to a fixed point of F^2 .
 - What does this imply about convergence of the orbits of F ?
 - Give examples of some functions displaying some of the different behavior discussed above.