

Faculty of Computer Science
CS 3113
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Assignment # 6

Due: 8:30 am, November 28, 2003

1. Consider the function:

$$f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{1+x^2}\right)$$

- (a) Find the exact value of the derivative $f'(1)$
 - (b) Estimate $f'(1)$ using a centered difference with $h_1 = 0.1$. What is the percent error?
 - (c) Estimate $f'(1)$ using a centered difference with $h_2 = 0.05$. What is the percent error?
 - (d) Estimate $f'(1)$ using Richardson extrapolation with $h_1 = 0.1$ and $h_2 = 0.05$. What is the percent error?
2. Use the `diff(y)` command in MATLAB and compute the finite difference approximation to the first derivative at each x -value in the table below, excluding the two end points. Use a finite difference approximation that is second-order correct, that is with a truncation error of $O(\Delta x^2)$.

x	0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0
y	1.4	2.1	3.3	4.7	7.1	6.4	8.8	7.2	8.9	10.7	9.8

3. Numerical Methods with MATLAB , Chapter 11, exercises 4,5

4. Determine the distance travelled for the following data:

t	1	2	3.25	4.5	6	7	8	8.5	9.3	10
v	5	6	5.5	7	8.5	8	6	7	7	5

- (a) Use the trapezoidal rule, and
- (b) use regression analysis to fit the data to second and third order polynomials. Compute the distance by integrating these polynomials analytically, using the MATLAB function `polyint`.