Solving Nonlinear Equations of One Variable

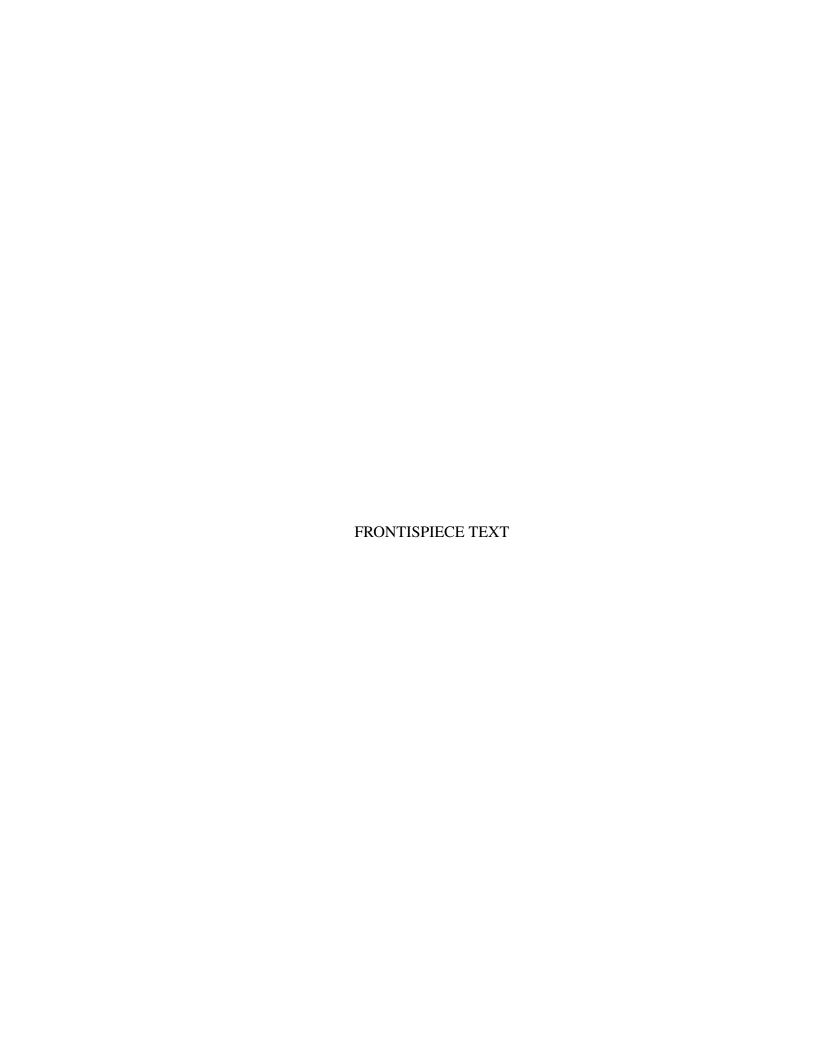
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DEDICATION

This dissertation is in honor of Adlai Stevenson and William Jennings Bryan, who were both twice the Democratic nominee for President of the United States without winning either time. As an interesting side note, Adlai Stevenson's grandfather, Adlai E. Stevenson I, was William Jennings Bryan's running mate in the 1900 election.

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Preface

The text of this document is of course mainly meant to show how the template works. The topic is thus a basic problem which has been solved in a large number of ways. This sample topic, which is solving equations of one variable using iterative techniques, allows us to use sample equations and figures so that we can see how they will look in this template. In addition to the standard methods, the text also demonstrates a new algorithm that has slightly improved performance.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

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Chapter 2

Setting

The second chapter has the good stuff.

2.1 What it is

Actually, it might have the worst stuff. But it is slightly easier to write than the material in Chapter 1.

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2.2 Why we are doing it

It is usually a good idea to give reasons for your research. If you do not, the people who payed you to waist all that time will feel really bad about it, and then they will not provide the same opportunity to future students.

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