

1. Find the multiplicity of the root  $r = 0$  for  $f(x) = \sin 2x - 2x$ . Find the forward and backward errors of the approximate root  $r_A = 0.005$ .

2. Use the sensitivity formula to approximate the root nearest to 4 of

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x-4) - 10^{-6}x^6.$$

Find the error magnification factor. Use **fzero** to check your approximation.

3. (a) Use **fzero** to find the root of  $f(x) = 2x \cos x - 2x + \sin x^3$  on  $[-0.1, 0.2]$ . Report the forward and backward errors. (b) Run the Bisection Method with starting interval  $[-0.1, 0.2]$  to find as many correct digits as possible, and report your conclusion. Can you explain the results?

4. **Big- $O$  notation.** By definition,  $f(\varepsilon) = O(\psi(\varepsilon))$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  means there exists positive constants  $K$  and  $\eta$  such that  $|\varepsilon| < \eta \implies |f(\varepsilon)| \leq K|\psi(\varepsilon)|$ . [Note: in numerical analysis  $\varepsilon$  is  $\varepsilon_{\text{mach}}$ , and we are interested only in the one-sided limit  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$ . The definition above is easily adjusted to this case.] Similarly,  $g(x) = O(\varphi(x))$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  means there exists constants  $C$  and  $\rho$  such that  $x > \rho \implies |g(x)| \leq C|\varphi(x)|$ . Are the following statements **true** or **false**? Justify your answers.

(a)  $\sin(\varepsilon) = O(1)$ , as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

(b)  $\sin(\varepsilon) = O(\varepsilon)$ , as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

(c)  $\sin(\varepsilon) = O(\varepsilon^2)$ , as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

(d)  $100x = O(x^{1.1})$ , as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Hint:** You may use the fact that  $|\sin(\varepsilon)/\varepsilon| \leq 1$ .

5. Consider the problem  $y = h(x_1, x_2) = x_1 x_2$  of multiplying two *nonzero* real numbers. On a computer the algorithm for approximating the product is  $y_A = h_A(x_1, x_2) = \text{fl}(x_1) \odot \text{fl}(x_2)$ , where  $\odot$  is the inexact floating point multiplication. Show that the algorithm is backwards stable. That is, show  $h_A(x_1, x_2) = h(x_1 + \delta x_1, x_2 + \delta x_2)$ , where  $|\delta x_1/x_1| = O(\varepsilon_{\text{mach}})$  and  $|\delta x_2/x_2| = O(\varepsilon_{\text{mach}})$ . Is the perturbation of the inputs unique?