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## Lab 2. Bisection Method

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### 1 Instructions

- Make a **pdf** report including the solution to each point of the practice with name *Lab2\_name\_lastname.pdf*.
- Send the report and all created files in a rar or zip file with name *Lab2\_name\_lastname.rar* in the Moodle.
- You are allowed to use internet, notes, and .m files that you have created before.

### 2 Purposes

- To understand the bisection method.
- To apply the fixed point method.
- To implement the fixed point method in Matlab.
- To interpret problems which can be solved by the fixed point method.

### 3 Practice

#### 3.1 Understanding

Answer with your own words the following questions:

- (0.2 points) Explain briefly what the bisection method is.

Primero se eligen dos valores iniciales, que será el intervalo inicial, luego se realiza la primera aproximación a la raíz mediante la formula del punto medio, luego se hace una especie de búsqueda binaria para saber en que subintervalo se encuentra la raíz (En que mitas esta o si ya encontramos la raíz), luego se calcula la nueva aproximación de la raíz, y calculamos el error relativo aproximado, según la condición, sabremos si repetir el proceso o no.

- (0.2 points) What condition do the initial points a and b have to satisfy to be used in the bisection method?

Se debe garantizar que  $f(a)f(b)<0$ , de tal forma que la función cambie de signo.

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- (0.2 points) Describe the decision step at each iteration for the bisection method.

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Luego de calcular la primera aproximación de la raíz, se revisa en que intervalo esta la raíz, para ello analizamos si  $f(a)f(m)<0$ , entonces la raíz está en el subintervalo  $[a,m]$  y  $b=m$ , si  $f(a)f(m)>0$ , entonces la raíz está en el subintervalo  $[b, m]$  y  $a=m$  y Si  $f(a)f(m)=0$ , entonces aquí se encuentra la raíz.

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### 3.2 Applying

(0.4 points) Use the Bisection method to find the root of the function  $f(x) = \tan(x)^2 - x$  on  $[1.8, 3]$ . Choose two appropriate initial points  $a$  and  $b$ . Do five iterations by hand.

Initial point  $a$ : 1.8 Initial point  $b$ : 3

| k | $a_k$  | $c_k$  | $b_k$ | $f(c_k)$   | $\frac{c_k - c_{k+1}}{c_k}$ |
|---|--------|--------|-------|------------|-----------------------------|
| 0 | 1.8    | 2.4    | 3     | -1.5609    | 0.0625                      |
| 1 | 2.1    | 2.25   | 2.4   | -0.7158    | 0.0333                      |
| 2 | 2.1    | 2.175  | 2.25  | -0.0766583 | 0.0172                      |
| 3 | 2.1    | 2.1375 | 2.175 | 0.33217    | 0.0087                      |
| 4 | 2.1375 | 2.1562 | 2.175 | 0.11877    | 0.0043                      |
| 5 | 2.1562 | 2.1656 | 2.175 | 0.19236    | 0.00217                     |

### 3.3 Implementing

- (0.7 points) Create a Matlab function called `my_finding_interval_name_lastname()` to find two adequate initial points  $[a,b]$  given a function  $f(x)$ . Make a script called `run_2a_name_lastname.m` in which you use the created function with an example (start the search at 0).
- (0.8 points) Create a Matlab function called `my_bisection_function_name_lastname()` to find the root of a function. The arguments of the function must be: the function to be evaluated  $f(x)$  (as an inline function), the initial points  $[a,b]$ , and the stopping criteria (the number of iterations or the relative error). Make a script called `run_2b_name_lastname.m` in which you use the created function to solve any example. For instance,

```
fun = @ XXXXXX;
a=XX;
b=XX;
Iter=X;
root=my_bisection_function_name_lastname(fun,a,b,Iter);
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- (0.7 points) Given the function  $f(x) = (x - 8)(x - 3)^2$  use your script to find each one of the roots. Compare the theoretical number of iterations  $N$  with respect to the practical number of iterations when the stopping criteria is established as  $\epsilon = 1e^{-2}, 1e^{-4}, 1e^{-6}, 1e^{-8}, 1e^{-10}$ . Plot the results where the x-label corresponds to the value of epsilon, and the y-label corresponds to the number of iterations for both cases: theoretical and practical. Conclude about the figure.
- (0.8 points) Create a Matlab function called `my_visual_bisection_function_name_lastname()` to visualize the behaviour of the Bisection method. The arguments of the function must be: the function to be evaluated  $f(x)$  (as an inline function), the initial points  $[a,b]$ , and the number of iterations. Make a script called `run_2d_name_lastname.m` in which you use the created function to visualize the behavior of the bisection method when solving any example and conclude about the convergence of the method. For instance,

```
fun = @ XXXXXX;
a=XX;
b=XX;
Iter= XX
P=my_visual_bisection_function_name_lastname(fun,a,b,Iter);
```

### 3.4 Interpreting

When the mortality rate is neglected, the world population  $N$  can be simulated by a function that grows in proportion to the number of individuals existing at any time  $t$ . Also, if  $\lambda$  is the growth rate,  $\varphi$  is a coefficient that simulates the immigration, and  $N_0$  is the population at the beginning of the simulation, the function to determine the quantity of individuals at any time  $t$  is given by

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{\lambda t} + \varphi \frac{e^{\lambda t} - 1}{\lambda} \quad (1)$$

Assume that in  $t = 0$  the world population has 1500 individuals, also assume that the immigration rate is of 475 individuals per year, and after one year ( $t = 1$ ) the population has amounted to 2264 individuals.

- (0.2 points) Determine a nonlinear equation  $f(\lambda) = 0$  to calculate the growth rate  $\lambda$  by finding its root.  $f(\lambda) =$ \_\_\_\_\_
- (0.8 points) Make a script to find the root of the nonlinear equation  $f(\lambda) = 0$  by using the created function in 3.3. Also plot the function between  $\lambda = 0.01$  and  $\lambda = 1$ .