

# Assignment 2

Mathematics for Robotics

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## Problem 2.1

Consider the centered difference approach for numerically approximating the derivative of  $f(x)$ :

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x + \Delta) - f(x - \Delta)}{2\Delta},$$

where  $\Delta$  is the numerical step-size with  $|\Delta| \ll 1$ .

### Part 2.1.A

Determine whether the algorithm is consistent or not. Show your work.

### Part 2.1.B

Show that the order of accuracy of the algorithm is 2.

### Part 2.1.C

State the conditions under which the algorithm numerically stable, or indicate that no such conditions exist. Show your work.

## Problem 2.2

State the method you would use to find the root of  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  in each of the following cases.

### Part 2.2.A

$f$  is once continuously differentiable and  $f'$  is inexpensive to evaluate

### Part 2.2.B

$f$  is Lipschitz continuous with constant  $0 \leq L < 1$

### Part 2.2.C

$f$  is once continuously differentiable and  $f'$  is expensive to evaluate

### Part 2.2.D

$f$  is continuous but not differentiable

## Part 2.3

You are given a series of points  $(x_i, f(x_i))$  that are obtained from a continuous function,  $f$ .

### Part 2.3.A

Write your own numerical integration algorithm for integrating the following series from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 0.2$ :

$$\{(0, 0), (0.05, 0.15), (0.1, 0.3), (0.15, 0.45), (0.2, 0.6)\}$$

### Part 2.3.B

Explain why you chose the algorithm you chose in Part 2.3.A.

### Part 2.3.C

Integrate the following series from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 2.06$ :

$$\{(0, 1), (0.13, 0.5198), (0.37, -0.6207), (0.49, 0.1728), (0.81, 1.259), \dots, \\ (1.06, -0.121), (1.19, 0.6467), (1.61, 0.6537), (1.94, 1.113), (2.06, 1.835)\}$$

### Part 2.3.D

How confident are you in your results from Part 2.3.A and 2.3.C? Explain your answer. Which information would you need to be more confident?