Topic: MATLAB review. Anonymous function handles. Error definitions. Iteration using a while loop

**Read**: Chapter 3: 3.1 (omit 3.1.3), 3.5

Chapter 4: introduction through 1st paragraph of §4.2; 1st para of §4.3& §4.4

Codes should have proper documentation for full credit. Remember to press Cntl C if your computer becomes unresponsive

## **Handwork problem:** (Hand calculations using calculator )

**HW1\_1** The Maclaurin series expansion of arctan(x) is shown below

$$\arctan(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{1+2n} x^{1+2n} = x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \frac{x^7}{7} + \frac{x^9}{9} - \dots$$

Starting from the simplest version arctan(x) = x, add terms one at a time to estimate arctan(0.75). After each term is added, calculate the true and approximate relative errors. Use your calculator for finding the 'true' value. Retain 5 decimal places in your calculations. Present your results in a tabular form like the one in Example 4.1 in your book. Continue your calculations until you achieve 2 significant figures accuracy.

Present your hand calculations legibly on a clean sheet of paper and upload a clear image of your work using link 'HW1-1 handwork image'. Also enter your results for this question in 'HW1\_1 Quiz' on Blackboard. You will be allotted 1 hour for completion of the quiz. Make sure the calculations are complete before you start the quiz. Please read all other information and instructions on Bb before starting the quiz.

## Coding problem: ( publish as pdf and submit on Bb )

**HW1\_2** If a hot liquid in a container is left to cool, its temperature will gradually approach room temperature. The temperature of the liquid is expected to follow the mathematical model  $T=A+B\ e^{mt}$ , where  $A=30\ C,\ B=40\ C,\ m=-0.276\ min^{-1}$ 

The following data was also obtained in an experiment studying this phenomenon.

time (t, min)	0.5	3	7	11	15
temperature (T, C)	85	48	35	33	31

In the same figure window, plot the data points along with the mathematical model. Include labels & title. Use fplot to plot the model (should be a continuous plot), and plot for the data points (should be discrete point plot).

## HW1 3 problem 3.13/4.1

The 'divide and average' method, an old-time iterative method for approximating the square root of any positive number a, can be formulated as  $x = \frac{x + a/x}{2}$ . Write a MATLAB code (script) to find the square root of 15 correct to 4 significant figures and use an fprintf statement to write your final answer to the screen.

## Hints:

- 1. Note that a=15 in this case as you are trying to find the square root of 15. Start with an initial value of x. An intelligent initial guess can be x=a/2.
- 2. Use a while loop to calculate the updated value of x according to the above iterative formula  $x = \frac{x + a/x}{2}$ For example, if you start with x=a/2, i.e., x=7.5 initially, then the next updated value of x calculated by your code inside the while loop should be  $x = \frac{x + a/x}{2} = (7.5 + 15/7.5)/2 = 4.75$ . Thus, at this stage the current value of x is 4.75 and the old value of x is 7.5. Accordingly calculate the relative error,  $e_a$  to properly construct a while loop.
- 3. Implement the stopping condition for 4 sig figs accuracy and display the last updated value of x as your final answer after you come out of the while loop.