**ENEL102, fall term 2017**

**Assignment 4**

**Solving nonlinear functions, Chapter 9**

**Due date Oct 30**

This assignment is based on the material in section 9.1. Suggest you read through this first before attempting the assignment questions. As usual, fill in this template with your matlab code, output and analysis. Then submit your Word document on D2L.

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**Q1.** Consider the single variable equation of



This function is known to have a single real solution of f(x)=0. Find this solution by writing an anonymous function for f(x) and then using this in fzero() to find the solution of f(x)=0. Generate a plot of f(x) showing the root location and thereby verifying the answer generated by fzero(). List the Matlab statements used and the answer

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**Q2.** Consider the single variable equation of



This function is known to have three real solutions of x that satisfy f(x)=0. Generate a plot of f(x) over a range of x such that these three solutions are easily observed. (the program does not need to explicitly find the values of x that satisfy f(x)=0)

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**Q3.** For the function given by **Q2** above find the three values of x that satisfy f(x)=0 using fzero() or fzero(). Note that fzero() and fsolve() can only find one solution for a given initial guess for x. One way to ensure that we can find the three solutions is to use a set of initial conditions. Take the start points as x = -15,-14,…15 and use fsolve() on each start point individually and store the point to which it converges. Show a plot of the output of fsolve() as a function of the input guesses. Next superimpose the solutions of x onto a plot of f(x) verifying correctness of fsolve().

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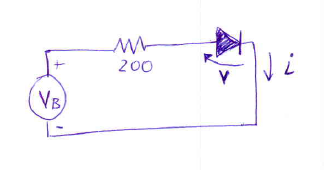
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**Q4** Consider a series circuit of a battery of voltage Vb, connected to a series circuit consisting of a diode with a current-voltage relation of



and a resistor of 200 ohms. The diode is connected such that it is forward biased as shown in the diagram.



Plot the current through the diode (i) as a function of the voltage across it (v).

Now using fzero(), find the voltage across the diode when the supply battery is one volt.

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**Q5** You can get information regarding the convergence of fzero() by setting the optimset() to display the output. Use this to **a)** Determine the number of function calls required to find the solution in **Q5**. **b)** Show the command for optimset that changes the function residual tolerance from the default of 1e-4 to 1e-8. **c)** Run the diode current problem again in **Q5** with this tighter tolerance and explain why no additional function calls are required for this particular problem when the function tolerance is changed.

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**(explanation)**

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**Q6** Consider the intersection of a circle and line given by the functions



By inspection, determine the two points of intersection

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**Q7** Use fsolve() to determine the two points of intersection. Show the Matlab code to do this.

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**Q8** Consider a matrix with unknown coefficients of a,b,c that is given by the model of



Lab measurements show that A has the values of



Find the values of a b and c using fsolve().

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**Q9** Consider the spiral function generated by the parametric equations



for t>0. Also there is the parabolic function of



The objective is to determine the points of intersection of the spiral and parabola in the x-y plane that have a magnitude of less than 10. Use whatever numerical means to find these and list them out. List your program with outputs and sufficient comments that the TA can understand what you are doing.

**(Matlab input)**

**(Matlab Response)**