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(Collaborators submit their individually written assignments together)

Question:	1	2	3	Total
Points:	35	20	10	65
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Instructor/grader comments:

Nonlinear equations

1. Two ladders crisscross an alley of unknown width W . Each ladder reaches from the base of one wall to some point on the opposite wall. The ladders cross at a height H above the pavement. Find W given that the lengths of the ladders are $L_1 = 20$ and $L_2 = 30$ and that $H = 8$. (Lengths are in some arbitrary units.)

- (a) (10 points) Derive the equation which root gives the value of W ,

$$f(W, L_1, L_2, H) = 0.$$

Describe your derivation in the README.md file.

Hints: the triangles ABE and DBC are similar; so are the triangles ABF and ADC.

- (b) (5 points) Write a matlab function of a single variable, `alley(w)`, that returns the values of $f(W)$. Include the values of the parameters L_1 , L_2 , and H into the code of your function.
- (c) (20 points) Write a matlab script (call it e.g. **hw06p1.m**) that solves the equation $F(W) = 0$ using the bisection method with $tol = 10^{-10}$.

Use the code that we developed in class.

Since $0 \leq W \leq \min(L_1, L_2)$ it is reasonable to choose exactly those boundaries for the bisection method.

2. Find the height, H , reached by $V_0 = 1.1 \text{ m}^3$ of water stored in a spherical tank of radius $R = 1.0 \text{ m}$. Give your answer with the tolerance of 1 mm.

Hints: Note that the tank is less than half full, that is $0 < H < R$.

The volume of the spherical segment of the “depth” H , $H \leq R$ is

$$V(R, H) = \pi H^2 \left(R - \frac{H}{3} \right),$$

where R is the radius of the sphere.

- (a) (5 points) Write a matlab function of a single variable, `sphsegment(w)`, that returns the values of $V(R, H) - V_0$. Include the values of the parameters V_0 and R into the code of your function.
- (b) (15 points) Write a matlab script (call it e.g. **hw06p2.m**) that solves the equation using the bisection method with the required precision.

Gitlab

- 3. (10 points) Create a gitlab project called **hw06** (name it exactly as shown). Upload **all** matlab files that are required to run your code. Share the project with the instructor and the TA and grant them **Reporter** privileges.