

Bonus Question¹

Euler's constant γ is obtained as a limit of γ_n where

$$\gamma_n = \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} - \ln n \right].$$

- (a) Provide one instance in mathematics where this γ appears.
- (b) Consider the use of $\gamma_n - \gamma_{n+1}$ as a convergence tolerance. From the algebraic expression for $\gamma_n - \gamma_{n+1}$ estimate how many terms are necessary to obtain a tolerance of 5×10^{-5} .
- (c) Write a m-file function that evaluates γ . Decide whether the above convergence tolerance is a good estimate of the truncation error that will occur.

¹Not included for this quiz and Not necessary to turn in. Prize: Slice of Black Forest cake for best answer.