

### Applications of Euler's method

I. Let's suppose that we have a derivable function  $f$  such that for any real  $x$ ,

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \text{ and } f(0) = 0$$

1. Prove that for very small values of  $h$ , and any Integer  $n$ , we have the relationship :

$$f((n+1)h) \approx f(nh) + \frac{h}{1+(nh)^2}$$

2. Use a Spreadsheet program to calculate  $f(1)$ ,  $f(2)$ ,  $f(10)$ , [give 3 decimals]
3. Use this spreadsheet program to draw the curve of that function on  $[0,10]$
4. Is there an asymptote for the graph of that function ?
5. Can you "guess" what is that function ?

II. Let's suppose that we have a derivable function  $f$  such that for any real  $x$ ,

$$f'(x) = 2x \text{ and } f(0) = 0$$

1. Prove that for very small values of  $h$ , and any Integer  $n$ , we have the relationship :  
$$f(nh) \approx h^2[n^2 - n]$$
2. Use a Spreadsheet program to calculate  $f(1)$ ,  $f(2)$ ,  $f(10)$  [*give 3 decimals*]
3. Use this spreadsheet program to draw the curve of that function on  $[0,10]$
4. Is there an asymptote for the graph of that function ?
5. Can you "guess" what is that function ?