

Instructions: You may not use notes or books on this exam. Don't spend too much time on any one problem. Show your work!

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[10 pts](1) Find an interval containing a real positive zero of the function $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x - 4$. How many steps of bisection would be required to compute this root to three significant decimal digits for your interval?

if $x=0$ $f(x) = -4 < 0$

if $x=1$ $f(x) = 2(1)^3 - 3(1) - 4 = -5 < 0$

if $x=2$ $f(x) = 2(2)^3 - 3(2) - 4$

$= 16 - 6 - 4 = 6 > 0$

so let interval $[a, b] = [0, 2]$

$$\frac{b-a}{2^{n+1}} < \frac{10^{-3}}{(\epsilon)} \Leftrightarrow n > \frac{\log(b-a) - \log(\epsilon)}{\log(2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow n > \frac{\log(2-0) - \log(2 \times 10^{-3})}{\log(2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow n > \frac{\log(2) - (\log(2) + \log(10^{-3}))}{\log(2)} = 9.96578$$

$n \geq 10$ steps required

[14 pts](2a) Determine the Marc-32 machine representation of the decimal number -285.75. (Hint: your final answer should be an 8 digit hexadecimal number.)

Sign = 1 (negative number)

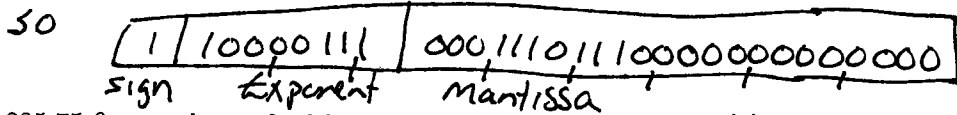
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$285.75_{10} = 100011101.11_2 = 1.000111011 \times 2^8$

$C - 127 = 8 \Rightarrow C = 135$

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Exponent = 10000111_2



(b) Does -285.75 fit exactly on the Marc-32 machine?

yes

Hex # is

C38E£00016

[14 pts](3a) Given the data in the table below find an approximate value of $\sin 0.705$ using linear interpolation. (Note: you must use either the Newton or Lagrange form to receive credit.)

x	$\sin x$
0.70	0.644
0.71	0.651

Newton form:

$$P_1(x) = .644 + C(x - .70) \Rightarrow C = \frac{.651 - .644}{.71 - .70}$$

$$\boxed{\text{So } P_1(x) = .644 + .7(x - .7)} \quad \left. \vphantom{\boxed{\text{So } P_1(x) = .644 + .7(x - .7)}} \right\} = .7$$

Lagrange form: $P_1(x) = \left(\frac{x - .71}{.7 - .71}\right)(.644) + \left(\frac{x - .7}{.71 - .7}\right)(.651)$

$$\boxed{P_1(.705) = .6475}$$

(b) Using one of the formulas given in class for polynomial interpolation error, give an upper bound on the error in the approximation you found in Part (a).

$$|f(x) - p(x)| \leq \frac{1}{4(n+1)} M h^{n+1}$$

here $n=1$ (degree of polynomial)

$$\text{so } n+1=2, h=.01$$

$$f(x) = \sin x, f'(x) = \cos x, f''(x) = -\sin x$$

$$|f^{(2)}(x)| \leq M \quad |-\sin x| \leq 1 = M \quad \forall x$$

$$\text{so } |f(x) - P_1(x)| \leq \frac{1}{4(1+1)} (1)(.01)^2$$

$$\text{or error } |f(x) - P_1(x)| \leq 1.25 \times 10^{-5}$$

[12 pts] (4) Consider the function

$$g(x) = \frac{e^x - 1}{x}$$

(a) For what values of x might catastrophic cancellation occur?

values near $x=0$.

(b) Find an alternate formula for $g(x)$ that eliminates the catastrophic cancellation seen in Part (a) above.

Use Taylor series for $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$

new formula is

$$h(x) = \frac{1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3!} e^\xi - 1}{x}$$

↙ TS remainder

$$\Rightarrow h(x) = 1 + \frac{x}{2} + \frac{x^2}{6} e^\xi$$

new formula near $x=0$ is $h(x) = 1 + \frac{x}{2}$

(c) Give a formula for the error in using this approximation. (Hint: don't use the Loss of Precision Theorem.)

Error is $\frac{x^2}{6} e^\xi$ for ξ the MVT point

for example for $|x| \leq 1$,

$$|\text{error}| \leq \frac{(1)^2}{6} e^1 = 1.84 \times 10^{-3}$$

[16 pts](5) Give the best method to use to find a root for each of the following problems. Your choices are bisection, Newton, and secant. (Note: you will only receive credit for your answer if you explain your reasoning!)

(a) Find a root of the equation $f(x) = 0$ assuming you have a good initial guess x_0 for the root.

Newton - fastest w/ good initial guess

(b) Find a root of the equation $f(x) = 0$ where $f'(x)$ is difficult or impossible to evaluate but you have a good initial estimate of the root.

Secant - faster than bisection with good initial guess.
Newton can't be used since you don't have good information about $f'(x)$.

(c) Find a root of the equation $f(x) = 0$ in the case where you don't know a good starting point x_0 .

Bisection - guaranteed to converge if $f(a)f(b) < 0$,
and ~~and~~ you don't need good initial guess.

Perhaps switch to Newton when close to the root.

(d) Find a root of the equation $f(x) = 0$ where $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ are both expensive to evaluate but you do have a good initial guess x_0 .

Secant - only one function evaluation per step after the first. Newton requires 2 function evaluations per step \Rightarrow more expensive.

[9 pts](6) Give a very careful graphical derivation of the secant method. (Note: to receive credit you must give a well labeled graph and a corresponding algebraic derivation.)

Note that 2 pts determine a line

If we have 2 pts x_0, x_1 which we think are good guesses as roots of f , we can draw a line between points

$(x_0, f(x_0))$ and $(x_1, f(x_1))$.

If x_2 is new root guess we get after an iteration of secant we know 3 points on secant line l : $(x_0, f(x_0))$, $(x_1, f(x_1))$, $(x_2, 0)$.

Line has one slope so

$$\frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = \frac{0 - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Solving for x_2 gives

$$(x_2 - x_1) \left[\frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} \right] = -f(x_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 = x_1 - f(x_1) \left[\frac{x_1 - x_0}{f(x_1) - f(x_0)} \right]$$

General form: $x_{n+1} = x_n - f(x_n) \left[\frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})} \right]$ reciprocal of slope of secant line of f

