

Errors - (Numerical)

percent error - normalize accuracy

error = true val - approx.
 $t.v. = approx + err,$
 $E_t = t.v. - approx.$

$\epsilon_t \equiv \text{rel. error} = \frac{t.v. - approx}{t.v.}$

approx. error
 $\epsilon_a = \frac{\text{present approx} - \text{prev. approx}}{\text{present approx}}$
 $\epsilon_a \rightarrow 0$

↑ precision

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2 errors - Numerical

rounding → incr./decr. val
 cutoff

digital computer representation of
 a number (floating pt) is rarely
 accurate

base 10 - 1 2 3 4 ...

10, 11, 12 ...

base 2 - 1 - 1 = 2^0

10 - 2 = $2^1 + 0 \cdot 2^0$

11 - 3 = $2^1 + 2^0$

100 - 4 = 2^2

101 - 5 = $2^2 + 2^0$

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fractions (binary)

$$1,0 - 1$$

$$1,1 - 1,5 = 2^0 + 2^{-1}$$

$$1,01 - 1,25 = 2^0 + 2^{-2}$$

$$1,0001 - 1,0625 = 2^0 + 2^{-4}$$

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$$\begin{array}{l}
 2\text{-bit} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 00 \\ 01 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} 00 \\ 01 \\ 10 \\ 11 \end{array}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \{-2, -1, 0, 1\} \\ 4 = 2^2 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 4\text{-bit} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} 0000 \\ 0001 \\ 0010 \\ \vdots \\ 1111 \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} 0000 \\ 0001 \\ 0010 \\ \vdots \\ 1111 \end{array}} \right\} 16 = 2^4
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \{-8, -7, -6, -5, -4, \\
 -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \\
 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}
 \end{array}$$

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floating point

64-bit



$$(1 + f) \times 2^e$$

mantissa exponent

$$\max 64\text{bit} \# = 1.11\dots 11 \times 2^{1023}$$

$$\approx 2^{1024}$$

$$\min \# = -1.11\dots 11 \times 2^{1023}$$

$$\approx -2^{1024}$$

$$\text{smallest} \# = 1.0000\dots \times 2^{-1022}$$

$$\approx 2.2251 \times 10^{-308}$$

$$\max \text{ rel err} = \epsilon$$

$$= 2^{-52} \approx 2.2204 \times 10^{-16}$$

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