

# Int Assignment 2 Design Document

## Little Slice of $\pi$

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this assignment is to have the student implement two mathematical functions( $e^x$  and  $\sqrt{x}$ ) that would mimic the use of importing `<math.h>`. Once done, the student should create a scientific write up on the findings they find comparing their coded functions with the ones provided in the math library's.

**Calculating e:** Euler's number is an irrational mathematical constant that equates to around 2.71828. Here is the function to calculate the number:

$$e = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} = 1 + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{120} + \frac{1}{720} + \frac{1}{5040} + \frac{1}{40320} + \frac{1}{362880} + \frac{1}{3628800} + \dots$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

The amount of terms that is required to compute will be determined in experimenting as part of the assignment.

$$\frac{x^k}{k!} = \frac{x^{k-1}}{(k-1)!} \times \frac{x}{k}.$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

Here is a refined version of the formula. According to the assignment pdf, it explains that this is simpler because the only computation required is  $x/k$  starting at  $k = 1$  (which equates to 1).

Then using this calculation and multiplying the next term. Done easel with simple for or while loop.

**Calculating  $\pi$ :** The assignment pdf highlights multiple functions that can be used to approximate  $\pi$ .

### The Leibniz Formula:

$$p(n) = 4 \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} = 4 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{9} - \dots \right) = \left( (-1)^n H_{\frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{4}} - H_{\frac{n}{2} - \frac{1}{4}} \right) + \pi$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

Unfortunately the assignment pdf states that this function is not reasonable for approximating  $\pi$  as it converges extremely slow.

### The Madhava Series:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-3)^{-k}}{2k+1} = \sqrt{3} \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{12}}$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

This formula is stated to be related to  $\tan^{-1} x$  in the assignment pdf. A more rapid converging version of this formula is:

$$p(n) = \sqrt{12} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-3)^{-k}}{2k+1} = \sqrt{12} \left[ \frac{1}{2} 3^{-n-1} \left( (-1)^n \Phi \left( -\frac{1}{3}, 1, n + \frac{3}{2} \right) + \pi 3^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right]$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

The only issue now is to calculate  $\sqrt[3]{12}$ , and using the library is prohibited. The Lerch transcendent ( $\Phi$ ) goes to zero at the limit, which gives the remaining term:

$$\frac{\pi}{2} 3^{-n-1} 3^{n+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{12}}$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

### The Wallis Series:

$$p(n) = 2 \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{4k^2}{4k^2 - 1} = \frac{\pi \Gamma(n+1)^2}{\Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)}.$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

This formula is easy to calculate since the series is purely multiplicative.

### Euler's Solution:

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots = H_{\infty}^{(2)},$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

This equation involves harmonics but gave birth to this series for approximating  $\pi$ .

$$p(n) = \sqrt{6 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k^2}}$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

However, now there is a square root that must be solved.

### The Bailey-Borwein-Plouffe Formula:

$$p(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n 16^{-k} \left( \frac{4}{8k+1} - \frac{2}{8k+4} - \frac{1}{8k+5} - \frac{1}{8k+6} \right).$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

According to the assignment pdf, it states that this formula is remarkably simple. Reducing it to the least number of multiplication, it can be rewritten in *Horner normal form*:

$$p(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n 16^{-k} \times \frac{(k(120k + 151) + 47)}{k(k(k(512k + 1024) + 712) + 194) + 15}$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

**Viète's Formula:** This formula is an infinite product of nested radicals that can be used for the approximation of  $\pi$ . However, the assignment pdf states that the previous formulas are known to produce an approximation with greater accuracy.

$$\frac{2}{\pi} = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k}{2}$$

Where  $a^1 = \sqrt{2}$  and  $a_k = \sqrt{(2+a_{k-1})}$  for all  $k > 1$ .

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

**Fastest Series:** According to the assignment pdf. This one is the most interesting.

$$\frac{1}{\pi} = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{9801} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(4k)!(1101 + 26390k)}{(k!)^4 396^{4k}}$$

Function provided from the assignment 2 pdf.

**Code:** For this assignment, they ask to implement the mathematical functions  $e^x$  and  $\sqrt{x}$ , mimicking `<math.h>`, and using them to compute the fundamental constants  $e$  and  $\pi$ . The use of functions from `<math.h>` or a factorial function is strictly forbidden. There should be a total of 7 files. For the design pdf, I will head each pseudo code section with the file name and proceed to put the designated pseudo code for the file.

**File e.c:**

initialize an int variable called *num\_terms* and set it to 0.

```
e(){
    initialize a double variable called return_value and set it to 1.
    initialize a double variable called power_num and set it to 1.
    for int i = 1; 1/factorial > epsilon; i++){
        power_num = power_num * i
        return_value += 1 / (factorial)
    }
    return return_value;
}
```

```
e_terms(){
    return num_terms;
}
```

### **File madhava.c:**

initialize an int variable called *num\_terms* and set it to 0.

```
pi_madhava(){
    initialize a float variable called return_value and set it to 0;
    initialize an int variable called top_half and set it to 1;
    for int i = 0; ((1/top_half)/(2(i) + 1)) > Epsilon ; i++{
        num_terms += 1
        if i != 0{
            top_half = top_half * -3
        }
        return_value = return_value + (1/top_half)/(2(i) + 1)
    }
    return_value = sqrt_newton(12) * return_value;
    return return_value
}
```

```
madhava_terms(calculated_value){
    return num_terms;
}
```

### **File euler.c:**

initialize an int variable called *num\_terms* and set it to 0.

```
pi_euler(){
    initialize a double variable called return_value and set it to 0
```

```

initialize a double variable called fraction and set it to 1
for i = 1; i <= fraction > Epsilon; i++){
    num_terms += 1
    return_value = return_value + 1/(i*i);
}
return_value = return_value * 6;
return_value = sqrt_newton(return_value);
return return_value
}

```

```

euler_terms(calculated_value){
    return num_terms
}

```

### **File bbp.c:**

initialize an int variable called *num\_terms* and set it to 0.

```

pi_bbp(){
    initialize a double variable called return_value and set it to 0
    initialize a double variable called last_iteration and set it to -1
    initialize an int variable called power_term and set it to 1
    initialize an int variable called term_one and set it to 0
    initialize an int variable called term_two and set it to 0
    initialize an int variable called term_three and set it to 0
    initialize an int variable called term_four and set it to 0
    for i = 0; return_value - last_iteration > Epsilon; i++){
        num_terms += 1;
        if i != 0{
            power_term = power_term * 16;
        }
        term_one = 4 / ((8 * i) + 1);

```

```

    term_two = 2 / ((8 * i) + 4);
    term_three = 1 / ((8 * i) + 5);
    term_four = 1 / ((8 * i) + 6);
    return_value = return_value + (1 / power_term) * (term_one - term_two - term_three -
term_four)
    }
    return return_value;
}

bbp_terms(calculated_value){
    return num_terms;
}

```

### **File viete.c:**

initialize an int variable called *num\_fact* and set it to 0.

```

pi_viete(num){
    initialize double variable called return_value and set it to 1
    initialize double variable called last_iteration and set it to 0
    initialize double variable called a and set it to sqrt_newton(2)
    while return_value - last_iteration > Epsilon{
        num_fact += 1
        return_value = return_value * a/2;
        a = sqrt_newton(2 + a);
        num_fact += 1
    }
    return return_value;
}

viete_factors(calculated_value){

```

```
    return num_terms;
}
```

### **File newton.c:**

initialize an int called count and set it to 0;

```
sqrt_newton(num){
```

*This code is given in the assignment pdf document.*

```
    count = 0;
```

initialize a double variable called  $z$  and have it equal to 0.0

initialize a double variable called *return\_value* and have it equal to 1.0

```
    while absolute value of  $y-z > \epsilon$ {
```

```
        count += 1;
```

```
         $z = \text{return\_value}$ 
```

```
         $\text{return\_value} = 0.5 * (z + \text{num}/z);$ 
```

```
    }
```

```
    return return_value
```

```
}
```

```
sqrt_newton_iters(){
```

```
    return count;
```

```
}
```

### **File mathlib-test.c:**

initialize a boolean variable called  $e\_test$  and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called  $b\_test$  and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called  $m\_test$  and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called  $r\_test$  and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called  $v\_test$  and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called  $n\_test$  and have it equal to false



initialize a boolean variable called *s\_verbose* and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called *h\_help* and have it equal to false

initialize a boolean variable called *default\_statement* and have it equal to true

main(takes in first character of each approximation method){

  while *there are command lines* {

    if user imputed a{

      set all test booleans to true

      set default\_statement to false

      break

  }

  if user imputed e{

    set e\_test boolean to true

    set default\_statement to false

    break

  }

  if user imputed b{

    set b\_test boolean to true

    set default\_statement to false

    break

  }

  if user imputed m{

    set m\_test boolean to true

    set default\_statement to false

    break

  }

  if user imputed r{

    set r\_test boolean to true

    set default\_statement to false

    break

  }

```

if user imputed v{
    set v_test boolean to true
    set default_statement to false
    break
}
if user imputed n{
    set n_test boolean to true
    set default_statement to false
    break
}
if user imputed s{
    set s_test boolean to true
    set default_statement to false
    break
}
if user imputed h{
    set h_test boolean to true
    break
}
}
if h_help
    set all test statements to false
    set default_statement to true
}

if e_test{
    print test statement
    if s_verbose{
        print number of terms for corresponding test.
    }
}

```

```
if b_test{
    print test statement
    if s_verbose{
        print number of terms for corresponding test.
    }
}
if m_test{
    print test statement
    if s_verbose{
        print number of terms for corresponding test.
    }
}
if r_test{
    print test statement
    if s_verbose{
        print number of terms for corresponding test.
    }
}
if v_test{
    print test statement
    if s_verbose{
        print number of terms for corresponding test.
    }
}
if n_test{
    print test statement
    if s_verbose{
        print number of terms for corresponding test.
    }
}
if default_statement{
```

```
    print the default statement  
}
```