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## Problem Set 1

1. (a) In IEEE binary system, the single precision F (2, 24, L, U) for a fixed exponent, since the first digit is always 1 then, there are  $2^{23}$  different numbers.

Similarly, in IEEE binary system, the double precision F (2, 53, L, U) for a fixed exponent there are  $2^{52}$  different numbers.

Hence, there are  $\frac{2^{52}}{2^{23}}-1=2^{29}-1$  double precision numbers between any two adjacent nonzero single precision numbers

- (b) In IEEE binary system, the double precision F (2, 53, L, U ) carries 53 bits; hence, the largest p for double is,  $p=2^{53}-1$ 
  - In IEEE binary system, the single precision F (2, 24, L, U ) carries 24 bits; hence, the largest p for single precision is,  $p=2^{24}-1$
- 2. (a) The first loop prints 5 values of a, and the second loop prints 4 values of b. For the first loop we have:

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0.1_2=0.0 \overline{0011}; hence, in IEEE representation for double, 0.1=1.1\ 0011...\ 0011\ 01_{52}0_{53}\times 2^{-4} 0.2=(0.1+0.1)_2=1.10\ 0110\ 0110...\ 0110\ 1_{52}0_{53}\times 2^{-3}
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$$0.3 = (0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1)_2 = 1.001 \ 1001 \ 1001... \ 1001 \ 1010_{52} \ 0_{53} \times 2^{-2}$$

$$0.4 = (0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1)_2 = 1.100 \ 1100 \ 1100...1100 \ 1101_{52} \ 0_{53} \times 2^{-2}$$

$$0.5 = (0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1)_2 = 1.0000\ 0000\ ...00_{52}0_{53} \times 2^{-1}$$

Hence, the first loop print out 5 numbers.

For the second loop we have:

 $1.1_2=1.0$   $\overline{0011};$  hence, in IEEE representation for double,  $1.1=1.0~0011...~0011~01_{52}0_{53}\times 2^0$ 

$$1.2 = (1.1 + 0.1) = 1.0\ 0110\ 0110...\ 0110\ 10_{52}0_{53} \times 2^0$$

$$1.3 = (1.1 + 0.1 + 0.1) = 1.0\ 1001\ 1001...\ 1001\ 11_{52}0_{53} \times 2^{0}$$

$$1.4 = (1.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1) = 1.0 \ 1100 \ 1100...1100 \ 1101 \ 00_{52}0_{53} \times 2^{0}$$

$$1.5 = (1.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1 + 0.1)_2 = 1.10000000...01_{52}0_{53} \times 2^0$$

Hence, we get  $1.5_2$ 's IEEE representation is bigger than 1.5; therefore, only 4 numbers are printed out.

- (b) I would recommend the second expression which is  $\frac{x}{10.0}$ , since from the previous question we knew that computer cannot represent 0.1 in a exact form in binary. However, it could represent 10.0 in exact form as  $1010 = 1.01 \times 2^3$ .
- 3. Python Program:

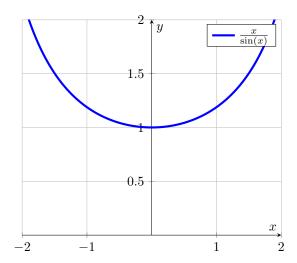
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import math
def cos():
   for m in range(21):
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k	m	$2 \times m \times \pi$	$cos(2 \times m \times \pi)$
0	100	$6.2831~85307~17959 \times 10^{0}$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
1	10 <sup>1</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{1}$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
2	102	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^2$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
3	10 <sup>3</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^3$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
4	104	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^4$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
5	10 <sup>5</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^5$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
6	106	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^6$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
7	107	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{7}$	1.0000 00000 00000 × 10 <sup>0</sup>
8	108	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{8}$	9.9999 99999 99999 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
9	109	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^9$	9.9999 99999 99999 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
10	100	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{0}$	9.9999 99999 89970 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
11	10 <sup>11</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{11}$	9.9999 99995 64035 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
12	10 <sup>12</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{12}$	9.9999 98545 10184 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
13	10 <sup>13</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{13}$	9.9998 54510 53279 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
14	10 <sup>14</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{14}$	9.9974 25356 19873 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
15	10 <sup>15</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{15}$	8.8841 05663 23832 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
16	10 <sup>16</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{16}$	$7.1843\ 05743\ 37184\ \times 10^{-1}$
17	10 <sup>17</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959\times 10^{17}$	$-4.3810\ 51599\ 26831\ \times 10^{-1}$
18	10 <sup>18</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{18}$	1.7656 16183 04251 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>
19	10 <sup>19</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{19}$	$-1.1403\ 69783\ 90490\ \times 10^{-1}$
20	10 <sup>20</sup>	$6.2831\ 85307\ 17959 \times 10^{20}$	6.8941 61562 99807 × 10 <sup>-1</sup>

We know that  $\pi$  is irrational suppose  $\operatorname{math.pi} = \pi + \epsilon$ , let  $f(m) = \cos(2m(\pi + \epsilon))$ Then,  $\mathcal{K}(f(m)) = \frac{m \times \cos'(2m(\pi + \epsilon))}{\cos(2m(\pi + \epsilon))}$ Then,  $\mathcal{K}(f(m)) = 2m(\pi + \epsilon) \times \frac{\sin(2m\pi + 2m\epsilon)}{\cos(2m\pi + 2m\epsilon)} = 2m(\pi + \epsilon) \times \frac{\sin(2m\pi)\cos(2m\epsilon) + \sin(2m\epsilon)\cos(2m\pi)}{\cos(2m\pi)\cos(2m\epsilon) + \sin(2m\epsilon)\sin(2m\epsilon)}$  Then,  $\mathcal{K}(f(m)) = 2m(\pi + \epsilon) \times \frac{\sin(2m\epsilon)\cos(2m\pi)}{\cos(2m\pi)\cos(2m\epsilon)} = 2m(\pi + \epsilon) \times \tan(2m\epsilon)$ 

Then, as m increasing,  $\mathcal{K}(f(m))$  increases as well; therefore, the question is ill-condition for big m.

4. (a) 
$$\mathcal{K}(f(x)) = \frac{xf'(x)}{f(x)} = \frac{x(\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)})'}{\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)}} = \frac{x\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin^2(x)}}{\frac{1-\cos(x)}{\sin(x)}} = \frac{x}{\sin(x)}.$$



We can see that  $1 \le \frac{x}{\sin(x)} \le \frac{\pi}{2}$  for  $-\frac{\pi}{2} \le x \le \frac{\pi}{2}$ ; hence, f(x) is well condition. However, we notice that  $\lim_{x\to 0} \cos(x) = 1$  causes catastrophic cancellation for the numerator, which means the algorithm is unstable.

(b) Alternative algorithm:  $f(x) = \frac{1-cos(x)}{sin(x)} \times \frac{1+cos(x)}{1+cos(x)} = \frac{sin(x)}{1+cos(x)}$ . Clearly this avoid catastrophic cancellation, when x is close to 1. Python Program:

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import math  \begin{split} & \text{def q4():} \\ & \text{left = - math.pi / 2} \\ & \text{right = math.pi / 2} \\ & \text{if (x == 0):} \\ & \text{return 0} \\ & \text{elif (x == 0):} \\ & \text{numerator = math.sin(x)} \\ & \text{denominator = math.cos(x) + 1} \\ & \text{return numerator / denominator} \\ & \text{else:} \\ & \text{return " not define"} \end{split}
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