

02635E25 trail exam

Der anvendes en scoringsalgoritme, som er baseret på "One best answer"

Dette betyder følgende:

Der er altid netop ét svar som er mere rigtigt end de andre

Studerende kan kun vælge ét svar per spørgsmål

Hvert rigtigt svar giver 1 point

Hvert forkert svar giver 0 point (der benyttes IKKE negative point)

The following approach to scoring responses is implemented and is based on "One best answer"

There is always only one correct answer – a response that is more correct than the rest

Students are only able to select one answer per question

Every correct answer corresponds to 1 point

Every incorrect answer corresponds to 0 points (incorrect answers do not result in subtraction of points)

Conditioning and stability

Answer the following questions about conditioning and stability.

The conditioning of a problem is a measure of

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- ☐ the stability of the solution to perturbations in the data.
- ☐ the sensitivity of the algorithm used to solve the problem.
- ☐ the sensitivity of the data to perturbations in the solution.
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What is the relative condition number of $f(x) = e^x - 1$ at x ?

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☐ $|e^x - 1|/e^x$

☒ $|xe^x|/|e^x - 1|$

☐ $|e^x|/|e^x - 1|$

☐ $|x|$

$$\text{cond}(f, x) = \left| \frac{x f'(x)}{f(x)} \right| = \left| \frac{x e^x}{e^x - 1} \right|$$

Sequential summation of n real numbers x_1, \dots, x_n is

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- ☐ forward stable.
- ☐ backward stable.
- ☒ forward and backward stable.
- ☐ not stable.

$$y = f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\text{cond}(f, x) = \frac{\sum_i |x_i|}{|\sum_i x_i|}$$

Forward stable: $\|\hat{y} - y\| \leq c \cdot \text{cond}(f, x) \|y\|$
small constant

Backward stable :

$$\inf_{\Delta x} \left\{ \frac{\|\Delta x\|}{\|x\|} : y = f(x + \Delta x) \right\} \quad \text{small}$$

Floating-point arithmetic

Answer the following questions about floating-point numbers and floating-point arithmetic.

Catastrophic cancellation may occur when

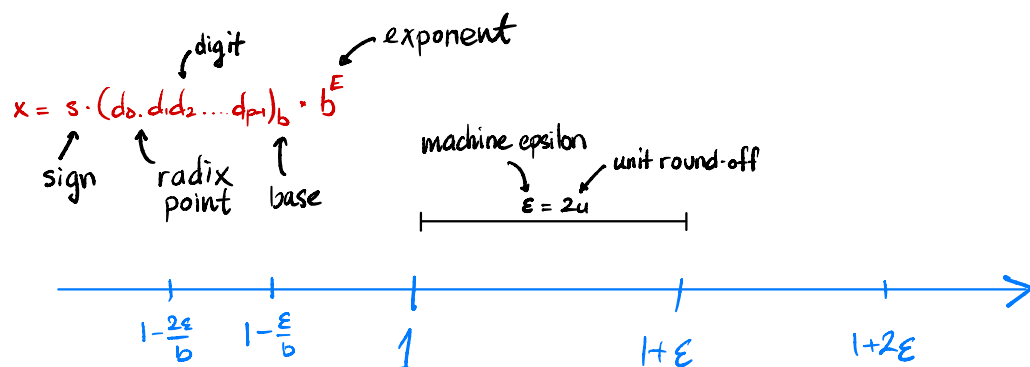
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- ☐ the sum of two nearly equal numbers is computed.
- ☐ the division of two nearly equal numbers is computed.
- ☒ the difference between two nearly equal numbers is computed.
- ☐ the product of two nearly equal numbers is computed.

What does "machine epsilon" refer to?

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- ☒ The distance from 1 to the next representable floating-point number that is larger than 1.
- ☐ The smallest positive number that can be represented in the floating-point system.
- ☐ The largest possible absolute value of round-off errors in the floating-point system.
- ☐ The smallest positive number that can be added to 0 in the floating-point system.



Let a , b , and c be real numbers.

The commutative property of multiplication holds in finite precision arithmetic, i.e., $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$.

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☐ False

☒ True

$$\begin{aligned} fl(a \cdot b) &= fl(b \cdot a) \\ &= (a \cdot b)(1 + \delta) \quad |\delta| \leq u \end{aligned}$$

What does "overflow" refer to when working with floating-point numbers?

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- ☐ The situation when the magnitude of the result of an arithmetic operation is too small to be represented in the floating-point system.
- ☐ The loss of precision due to the subtraction of two nearly equal numbers.
- ☒ The situation when the magnitude of the result of an arithmetic operation is too large to be represented in the floating-point system.
- ☐ The round-off errors caused by the limited precision of the floating-point system.

Let a , b , and c be real numbers.

The associative property of multiplication holds in finite precision arithmetic, i.e., $(a \cdot b) \cdot c = a \cdot (b \cdot c)$.

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False



True

Recursion

Consider the following recursive function:

```
#include <math.h>
double legendre(double x, int n) {
    if (n < 0 || isnan(x))
        return NAN;
    else if (n >= 2)
        return ((2.0*n-1)*x*legendre(x,n-1) - (n-1)*legendre(x,n-2))/n;
    else if (n == 1)
        return x;
    else // n == 0
        return 1.0;
}
```

Let $T(n)$ denote the runtime of the function legendre for a given n . Which of the following best characterizes the time complexity?

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- ☐ $T(n) = O(\log n)$
- ☐ $T(n) = O(n)$
- ☐ $T(n) = O(n^2)$
- ☒ $T(n) = O(2^{\text{poly}(n)})$

Which kind of recursion is used in the function?

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- ☒ Multiple recursion
- ☐ Single recursion

Parallel computing

Answer the following questions about parallelization.

Does Amdahl's law account for parallel overhead?

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☒ No

☐ Yes

According to Amdahl's law, what is the maximum speedup that can be achieved by parallelizing a program with parallel fraction f ?

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☐ $f/(1 - f)$

☒ $1/(1 - f)$

☐ $(1 - f)/f$

☐ $1/f$

$$S(p) = \frac{T(1)}{T(p)} = \frac{T(1)}{\frac{T(1)}{p}f + (1-f)T(1)}$$

Annotations:

- $S(p)$: # processors
- $T(1)$: wall time 1 proc.
- $T(p)$: wall time p proc.
- $\frac{T(1)}{p}$: parallel fraction

$$S(p) \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-f} \text{ as } p \rightarrow \infty$$

Conditioning

Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a given vector of n samples. The sample mean is then

$$\mu(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

and the sample variance is

$$v(x) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu(x))^2.$$

When is the problem of evaluating μ at x ill-conditioned?

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- ☐ When $|\mu(x)|$ is small.
- ☐ When $|\mu(x)|$ is large.
- ☒ When $|\mu(x)| \ll \|x\|_2$.
- ☐ When $|\mu(x)| \gg \|x\|_2$.
- ☐ When $|\mu(x)| \approx \|x\|_2$.

Sample mean: $\mu(x) = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1}^T x$

$$\text{cond}_2(\mu, x) = \frac{\|\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1}\|_2 \|x\|_2}{|\mu(x)|} = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\|x\|_2}{|\mu(x)|}$$

Centering matrix: $C = I - \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{1} \mathbb{1}^T$

Sample variance: $v(x) = \frac{1}{n-1} \|Cx\|_2^2$

$$\text{cond}_2(v, x) = \frac{\|x\|_2 \cdot \|\frac{2}{n-1} Cx\|_2}{\frac{1}{n-1} \|Cx\|_2^2} = \frac{2\|x\|_2}{\|Cx\|_2^2}$$

Write $x = \mu(x) \mathbb{1} + Cx$:

$$\|x\|_2^2 = \|Cx\|_2^2 + \mu(x)^2 \cdot n + \underbrace{2\mu(x) \mathbb{1}^T Cx}_{=0}$$

$$\text{cond}_2(v, x) = 2 \frac{\sqrt{\|Cx\|_2^2 + n\mu(x)^2}}{\|Cx\|_2} = 2 \sqrt{1 + \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{\mu(x)^2}{v(x)}}$$

When is the problem of evaluating v at x ill-conditioned?

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- ☒ When $v(x) \ll \mu(x)^2$.
- ☐ When $v(x)$ is small.
- ☐ When $v(x) \approx \mu(x)^2$.
- ☐ When $|\mu(x)|$ is small.
- ☐ When $v(x) \gg \mu(x)^2$.

Object-oriented programming

Answer the following questions about object-oriented programming.

What is an object in object-oriented programming?

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- ☐ An instance of a method.
- ☒ An instance of a class.
- ☐ A function that performs a specific task.
- ☐ A blueprint for creating classes.
- ☐ An abstract data type.

What is a class in object-oriented programming?

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- ☐ A function that performs a specific task.
- ☐ A method for automatic memory allocation.
- ☐ An instance of a variable.
- ☒ A blueprint for creating objects.

Memory

Answer the following questions about memory.

Dynamic memory allocation is used in C but not in C++.

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☐ True

☒ False

Which of the following formats is the most memory efficient for storing a sparse matrix with a large number of rows but few columns?

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Coordinate List (COO)

(if $N \leq n+1$)



Compressed Sparse Column (CSC)



Compressed Sparse Row (CSR)

$m \times n$ matrix with N nonzero entries

COO: N triplets (i, j, v)

CSC: N pairs (i, v)
 $n+1$ col. "offsets"

CSR: N pairs (j, v)
 $m+1$ row "offsets"

What is the primary purpose of cache memory in a computer system?

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- ☒ To reduce the latency of memory access.
- ☐ To increase the storage capacity of the main memory.
- ☐ To store data that is too large to fit in the main memory.
- ☐ To parallelize computations.

A cache miss occurs when

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- ☐ the cache is full.
- ☐ the cache is empty.
- ☐ the requested data is found in the cache.
- ☒ the requested data is not found in the cache.

Recall the BLAS function **dscal**, which scales a vector by a scalar and has the following prototype:

```
void dscal(int n, double alpha, double *x, int incx);
```

(Note: In the original image, a blue arrow points from 'cblas_' to 'dscal' in the code above.)

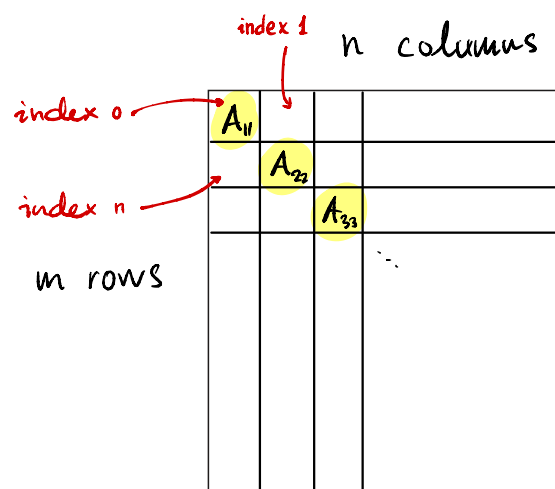
Let **A** be a pointer to the first element of a two-dimensional array of length mn , representing an $m \times n$ matrix **A** stored in **row-major order**.

Assuming that $m \geq n$, which of the following BLAS calls scales the diagonal entries of the matrix (i.e., the elements A_{11}, \dots, A_{nn}) by a scalar α ?

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- ☒ dscal(n, alpha, A, n+1)
- ☐ dscal(n, alpha, A, n)
- ☐ dscal(n, alpha, A, m+1)
- ☐ dscal(n, alpha, A, m)

Row major storage



$A_{11}, A_{22}, A_{33}, \dots$
stride n+1

