

1. a.  $f'(x) = n(x+1)^{n-1}$  by chain rule,  $f'(0) = n$   
 $f''(x) = n(n-1)(x+1)^{n-2}$  by chain rule,  $f''(0) = n(n-1)$   
 $f'''(x) = n(n-1)(n-2)(x+1)^{n-3}$  by chain rule,  $f'''(0) = n(n-1)(n-2)$   
 $(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + n(n-1)x^2/2! + n(n-1)(n-2)x^3/3! + \dots$   
 $n(n-1)x^2/2! + n(n-1)(n-2)x^3/3! + \dots = o(x)$  at  $x=0$  because  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (n(n-1)x^2/2! + n(n-1)(n-2)x^3/3! + \dots) / x = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (n(n-1)x/2! + n(n-1)(n-2)x^2/3! + \dots) = 0$   
Thus  $(1+x)^n = 1 + nx + o(x)$ 

b.  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \sin(\sqrt{x}) / x^{3/2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(\sqrt{x}) / x^{1/2}$   
By L'Hospital's rule,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \sin(\sqrt{x}) / x^{1/2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (\cos(\sqrt{x}) / (2x^{1/2})) / (x^{-1/2} / 2) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(\sqrt{x}) = 1$  thus  $x \sin(\sqrt{x}) = O(x^{3/2})$

c.  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} e^{-t} / (1/t^2) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} (t^2) / (e^t) = 0/1 = 0$   
Thus  $e^{-t} = O(1/t^2)$

d.  $0 \leq e^{-x^2} \leq 1$  for all  $x$   
Thus  $\int_0^\epsilon 0 \, dx \leq \int_0^\epsilon e^{-x^2} \, dx \leq \int_0^\epsilon 1 \, dx$   
Thus  $0 \leq \int_0^\epsilon e^{-x^2} \, dx \leq \epsilon$   
Thus  $\int_0^\epsilon e^{-x^2} \, dx = O(\epsilon)$
2. a.  $x_{\text{before}} = A^{(-1)}b$   
 $x_{\text{after}} = A^{(-1)}b + A^{(-1)}\Delta(b)$   
 $\Delta(x) = A^{(-1)}\Delta(b)$   
 $\det(a) = ad-bc = -2 \cdot 10^{-10}$   
 $A^{(-1)} = 1/(2 \cdot 10^{-10}) * \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 10^{(-10)}, -1 \\ -1 - 10^{(-10)}, 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\Delta(x) = 1/(2 \cdot 10^{-10}) * \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 10^{(-10)}, -1 \\ -1 - 10^{(-10)}, 1 \end{bmatrix} * [\Delta(b_1), \Delta(b_2)]^T$ 

b.  $K = \|A^{(-1)}\| * \|A\| = 3,636,363,700$

c.  $\Delta(x) = 1/(2 \cdot 10^{-10}) * \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 10^{(-10)}, -1 \\ -1 - 10^{(-10)}, 1 \end{bmatrix} * [z * 10^{-5}, y * 10^{-5}]^T = [z/2 \cdot 10^{-5}, y/2 \cdot 10^{-5}]$   
Relative error  $= \|\Delta(x)\| / \|x\| = 7.071 * 10^{-6} / 1.414 = \frac{1}{2} * 10^{-5}$   
The relative error is less than or equal to the condition number times the 2 norm of the perturbation over the 2 norm of  $b$ . If the perturbations are different, the relative error will differ for each component of  $x$ . Different perturbations are more realistic than the same ones because different sources of uncertainty may be affecting the problem.
3. a.  $f'(x) = e^x$   
 $K = xe^x / (e^x - 1)$

By L'Hospital's rule,  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x e^x / (e^x - 1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (e^x + x e^x) / (e^x) = 1$ .  
Therefore, the function is not ill conditioned when  $x$  is close to 0 so there are no points at which  $x$  is ill conditioned.

b. This algorithm is stable because it computed  $e^x$ , which is stable, and  $y - 1$  where  $y$  is the result of a stable function, which is also stable. Despite the entire function  $f(x) = e^x - 1$ , being unstable for values of  $x$  close to 0, this algorithm is stable because it separates it into two different functions that are stable.

c.  $e^{(9.9999999995000000 * 10^{-10})}$  evaluates to 1.000000000aaaaaaa where  $a$  represents another correct digit not shown on my calculator. That value minus 1 evaluates to 0.000000000aaaaaaa, so there are 7 correct significant digits.

d.  $f(x)$  is approximately  $x + x^2/2! + x^3/3! + \dots$  by Taylor series approximation.

e.  $f(9.9999999995000000 * 10^{-10}) = 10^{-9} + 5 * 10^{-19} + (5 * 10^{-28})/3 + \dots$

4. Python code pushed to Git

Sum from part a: -23.915381134014112

Circles from part b:

Parametric Curves for 10 Sets of Parameters

