

CENG 216 – NUMERICAL COMPUTATION

Homework 1

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Due Date: March 17, 2017

Exercise 1 Linear Independence

Exercise from G. Strang Prove that if any diagonal element of

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}$$

is zero then the rows are linearly dependent.

Exercise 2 Basis

Exercise from G. Strang Find two different bases for the subspace of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 whose first two components are equal.

Exercise 3 Orthogonality

Exercise from G. Strang Which pairs are orthogonal among the vectors and why?

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} ?$$

Exercise 4 Floating Point

If we have a format that matches the IEEE 754 standard but has 1 bit for the sign, 4 bits for the exponent, and 5 bits for the significand parts, then

- a. What is the smallest positive subnormal number representable in this format?
- b. What is the largest positive subnormal number representable in this format?
- c. What is the smallest positive normalized number representable in this format?
- d. What is the largest positive normalized number representable in this format?
- e. What is the smallest number that is greater than 1?
- f. What is the largest number that is smaller than 1?

Exercise 5 Summing Lots of Small Numbers

Write a C++ program that implements the Kahan Summation algorithm described at the end of the Chapter 2 of the textbook. Demonstrate that when summing a lot of small numbers, this algorithm is more precise than summing the numbers directly by generating a suitable set of numbers and using both versions to compute the sum. The output should be as shown below except the ??? are replaced with the actual numbers:

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Correct Sum = ???  
Direct Summation = ???  
Kahan's Algorithm = ???
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NOTE: There will be a small bonus for those submitting a homework prepared in L^AT_EX.