

UN5390: Scientific Computing I

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Recap

What we did last week, and what you were supposed to do



<http://dilbert.com/strip/1998-09-14/>

Week #07 Recap

- * Numerical methods vs analytical methods
- * Finding roots
- * Random numbers
- * Integration

Week #07

Before we meet again

- * Review the syllabus, course material, grade through week #07, notations, active participation, free time exercises, tips, opportunities, mathematical results, videos, and training camps
- * Get started on assignment #07
- * Review differential equations and numerical techniques to solve them from prior courses, if any



Differential Equations

A known (or postulated) deterministic relationship between some continuously varying function and its rate of change with respect to space, time and/or some other entities.

Commonly used techniques

- * Analytical methods
 - * Order dependent
- * Numerical methods
 - * Euler
 - * Adams-Bashforth and Adams-Moulton
 - * Runge-Kutta (RK)
 - * Shooting and Matching

Explicit vs implicit methods

Explicit methods

Explicit methods have, not just by a clever re-arrangement, y_{n+1} on LHS and its explicit dependence on y_i (with $i \leq n$) on RHS.

Examples include Euler's, Adams-Bashforth and Runge-Kutta methods.

$$y_{n+1} = f(y_i) \quad i \leq n$$

Implicit methods

Implicit methods have, y_{n+1} on LHS and implicitly (i.e., a functional dependence) on RHS as well in addition, optionally, to y_i (with $i \leq n$).

Example includes Adams-Moulton method.

$$y_{n+1} = f(y_{n+1}, y_i) \quad i \leq n$$

Single vs multiple step methods

Single step methods (i.e., short term memory)

y_{n+1} depends only on the previous time step, y_n .

Examples include Euler's and Runge-Kutta methods.

Multiple step methods (i.e., longer term memory)

y_{n+1} depends on the previous k time steps, y_i ($i = 1, \dots, k$).

Examples include Adams-Basforth/Moulton methods.

Differential equations

1D motion

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = v$$

Decay

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -\alpha y$$

Oscillator

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = -\omega^2 y$$

Pendulum

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{L} \sin \theta = 0$$

Schödinger equation

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V \right] \psi$$

Hasegawa-Mima equation for turbulence in plasma

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla^2 \phi - \phi) - [(\nabla \phi \times \hat{z}) \cdot \nabla] \left[\nabla^2 \phi - \ln \left(\frac{\eta}{\omega} \right) \right] = 0$$

Navier-Stokes equation for compressible flow of Newtonian fluids

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} \right) = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{v} + \left(\xi + \frac{\mu}{3} \right) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{f}$$

Differential equations

$$W = \int_{k < \Lambda} [D g] [D A] [D \psi] [D \Phi] \exp \left\{ i \right. \\ \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \\ \left[\left(\frac{m_p^2}{2} \right) R \right. \\ - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} \\ + i \bar{\psi}^i \gamma^\mu i D_\mu \psi^i + \left(\bar{\psi}_L^i V_{ij} \Phi \psi_R^j + h.c. \right) \\ \left. - |D_\mu \Phi|^2 - V(\Phi) \right] \left. \right\}$$

Terms (line by line): quantum mechanics, spacetime, gravity, other forces, matter, and Higgs

<http://www.preposterousuniverse.com/blog/2013/01/04/the-world-of-everyday-experience-in-one-equation/>

Differential Equations

Euler's method

Derived by truncating the general form of the p^{th} order Taylor series expansion of $y(t)$ with $\tilde{t} \in [t, t + \Delta t]$ after the first term

$$y(t + \Delta t) = \sum_{n=0}^p \frac{(\Delta t)^n}{n!} \frac{d^n}{dt^n} y(t) + \frac{(\Delta t)^{p+1}}{(p+1)!} \frac{d^{p+1}}{dt^{p+1}} y(\tilde{t})$$

Features

$$y' = \frac{dy}{dt} = f(y, t)$$

First order ODE

$$y(t_0) = y_0 \quad y'(t_0) = f(y_0, t_0)$$

Initial conditions



- * Single step method
- * First order linear differential equations
- * Treats initial value problems
- * Easy enough to be solved by hand
- * Lends itself for programmatic modeling

Leonhard Euler (1707 – 1783): Swiss mathematician and physicist

Recursive relation

Truncate the general form of the p^{th} order ($p = 1$) Taylor series expansion of $y(t)$ with $\tilde{t} \in [t, t + \Delta t]$ after the first term

$$y(t_n + \Delta t) = y(t_n) + \Delta t y'(t_n) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$$

Use $t_{n+1} = t_n + \Delta t$ and $\Delta t = h$

$$y(t_{n+1}) = y(t_n) + h y'(t_n) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Ignore $\mathcal{O}(h^2)$ as error and re-arrange the terms

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(y_n, t_n)$$

Future = Present + (Time Step \times Present Slope)

Error analysis

Local truncation error

- * Cause/Reason

$y(t)$ may not be a straight line between t_n and t_{n+1}

- * Quick estimation

A measure of error associated with each time step

$$y(t_{n+1}) = y(t_n) + h y'(t_n) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{local truncation}} = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Order of the integration method

is said to be n if the local truncation error is $\mathcal{O}(h^{n+1})$.

Error analysis

Local truncation error

* Detailed derivation

Exact solution after $n + 1$ time steps using Taylor series expansion

$$y(t_n + h) = y(t_n) + h y'(t_n) + \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(t_n) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

Numerical solution after $n + 1$ time steps

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(y_n, t_n)$$

Ignore $\mathcal{O}(h^3)$, and subtract numerical solution from exact solution

$$\epsilon_{\text{local truncation}} = y(t_n + h) - y_{n+1} = \frac{h^2}{2!} y''(t_n) = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Error analysis

Global truncation error

- * Re-arrange the expression for t_n to get the total number of time steps

$$t_n = t_0 + n h \Rightarrow n = \frac{t_n - t_0}{h} \Rightarrow n = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{h}\right)$$

Global truncation error = Number of terms \times Local truncation error

$$\epsilon_{\text{global truncation}} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) \times \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{global truncation}} = \mathcal{O}(h)$$

Error analysis

Round-off error

- * Cause/Reason

Finite accuracy to which floating-point numbers are stored

- * Quick derivation

$$\text{Total number of time steps} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{h}\right)$$

$$\text{Round-off error associated with each time step} = \mathcal{O}(\xi)$$

$$\text{Round-off error} = \text{Number of time steps} \times \text{Round-off error/step}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{round-off}} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) \times \mathcal{O}(\xi) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\xi}{h}\right)$$

ξ corresponds to machine epsilon. Each time step can be treated as a floating-point operation.



Error analysis

Total error

* Total error = Total round-off error + Total truncation error

$$\epsilon_{\text{total}} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\xi}{h}\right) + \mathcal{O}(h)$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{total}} \sim \frac{\xi}{h} + h$$

Round-off error dominates the total error for smaller values of h .
Truncation error for larger values of h . Optimum value of h is

$$h_o = \sqrt{\xi} \quad (\sim 10^{-4} \text{ for single, and } \sim 10^{-8} \text{ for double precision})$$

Potential pitfall

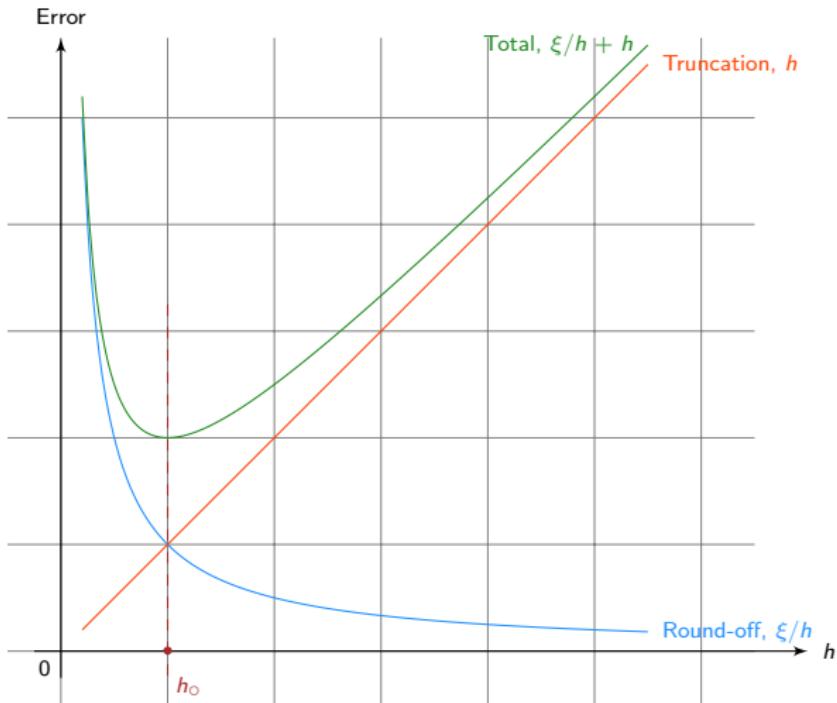
For a given ξ , making h any smaller than h_o increases the number of floating-point operations but does not reduce the error.

Review *Journal of Failed Experiments* discussions.



Error analysis

Total error



Conditional stability

Suppose that a certain phenomenon is described by

$$f(y, t) = \frac{dy}{dt} = -ay$$

First order linear DE

$$y(t = 0) = y_0$$

Initial condition

The general solution, $y(t)$, can be shown to have the form

$$y(t) = y_0 e^{-at}$$

For $a > 0$, the entity represented by $y(t)$ approaches zero with time

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 0$$

a must be a positive number for decay-like problems, and negative for growth-like problems.



Conditional stability

Recursive relation using Euler's method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(y_n, t_n)$$

Substitute $-a y_n$ for $f(y_n, t_n)$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n - h a y_n = y_n (1 - a h)$$

Test it out for $n = 0, 1, \dots, n$

$$y_1 = y_0 (1 - a h)$$

$$y_2 = y_1 (1 - a h) = y_0 (1 - a h)^2$$

$$y_n = y_0 (1 - a h)^n$$

Conditional stability

Condition necessary to ensure the stability of Euler's method

$$|1 - a h| < 1$$

Expand the inequality

$$-1 < 1 - a h < 1$$

Subtract 1 throughout the inequality

$$-2 < -a h < 0$$

Multiply throughout by -1

$$2 > a h > 0$$

Conditional stability

Re-arrange the terms and divide throughout by a ,

$$0 < ah < 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 0 < h < \left(\frac{2}{a}\right)$$

Potential pitfall

The solution is stable with no oscillations for $0 < h < 1/a$, stable with oscillations for $1/a < h < 2/a$ and unstable for $h > 2/a$.

$h > 2/a$ leads to divergence from the actual solution. Such a catastrophic failure of a computational scheme is termed *numerical instability*.

Most simple integration schemes become unstable for larger values of h .

Pros and cons

- * Easy to implement
- * Single step method
- * Self starting method
- * Asymmetric w.r.t. the ends of an interval
- * Explicit method
- * Prone to numerical instability
- * LTE ($\propto h^2$) quite large compared to other methods

Pseudo-code

```
Define  $f(y_n, t_n)$ ,  $f(y_o, t_o)$ ,  $y_n$ ,  $y_o$ ,  $t_o$ ,  $t_{\max}$ ,  $h$ , and  $i = 1$ 
Compute number of time steps,  $n = \frac{t_{\max} - t_o}{h}$ 
# Given  $n$  instead  $h$ , one can compute the latter
LOOP BEGINS:  $i$  does not exceed  $n$ 
    Compute  $y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(y_i, t_i)$ 
    Compute  $t_{i+1} = t_i + h$ 
    Set  $i = i + 1$ 
LOOP ENDS
```

$f(y, t)$ and y are not literal but token representations. Total number of such entities depends on the problem.
It would serve well to declare y and t as arrays of appropriate dimension, and perform memory pre-allocation as discussed in *Journal of Failed Experiments*.



Stiffness, stiff equations and stiff systems

A differential equation (and as such, the system described by it) for which some numerical methods are unstable – i.e., certain components of the solution vary differently when compared to others – unless the step size (h) is quite small is said to be *stiff*.

The phenomenon is called *stiffness* and depends on the differential equation, the initial conditions, and the numerical method.

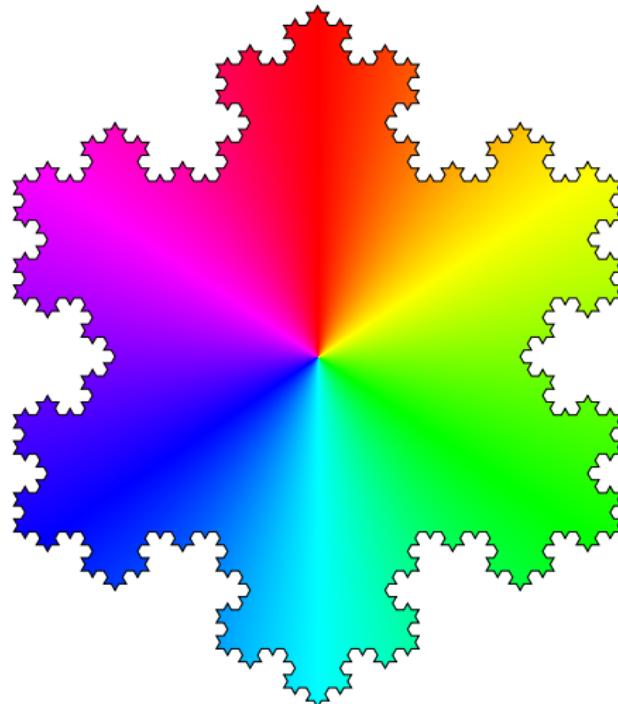
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- * Make progress in assignment #07
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End of Tuesday lecture.

Differential Equations

Adams-Bashforth-Moulton (AB2, AM2 and ABM2) methods

Adams-Bashforth-Moulton (ABM2) methods

- * Linear multi-step methods
- * Linear differential equations
- * Treat initial value problems
- * *Easy* enough to be solved by hand
- * Lend themselves for programmatic modeling



John Couch Adams (1819 – 1892): British mathematician and astronomer
Francis Bashforth (1819 – 1912): British mathematician (no photo)
Forest Ray Moulton (1872 – 1952): US astronomer

AB2 recursive relation

Mathematical results

Fundamental theorem of calculus, Taylor series expansion, and Lagrange's interpolating polynomial of order 1, $\mathcal{P}_1(t)$.

Fundamental theorem of calculus yields

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} y'(t) dt$$

Set $y'(t) = f(y_n, t_n)$

$$y_{n+1}^{\text{AB2}} = y_n + \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(y_n, t_n) dt$$

AB2 recursive relation and error

Using $\mathcal{P}_1(t)$ as an approximation for $f(y, t)$ and simplification yields

$$y_{n+1}^{\text{AB2}} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} [3f(y_n, t_n) - f(y_{n-1}, t_{n-1})]$$

Expression involves a time term before the clock starts ticking.
Replace n with $n + 1$ to derive a programmable expression

$$y_{n+2}^{\text{AB2}} = y_{n+1} + \frac{h}{2} [3f(y_{n+1}, t_{n+1}) - f(y_n, t_n)]$$

Local and global truncation error

$$\epsilon_{\text{local truncation}}^{\text{AB2}} = \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{global truncation}}^{\text{AB2}} = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

AB2 pros and cons

- * Easy to implement
- * Multi-step method
- * Not a self starting method
 - Requires two initial values, y_0 and y_1
 y_0 is given as an initial condition, and y_1 needs some other technique
- * Explicit method
- * Prone to numerical instability
- * Local truncation error is $\mathcal{O}(h^{k+1})$ for a k -step method

AB2 pseudo-code

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Define  $f(y_n, t_n)$ ,  $f(y_o, t_o)$ ,  $y_n$ ,  $y_o$ ,  $t_o$ ,  $t_{\max}$ ,  $h$ 
Compute number of time steps,  $n = \frac{t_{\max} - t_o}{h}$ 
# Given  $n$  instead  $h$ , one can compute the latter
Compute  $f(y_1, t_1)$  and  $y_1$  using Euler's method
Set  $i = 2$ 
LOOP BEGINS:  $i$  does not exceed  $n$ 
    Compute  $y_{i+2} = y_{i+1} + \frac{h}{2} [3f(y_{i+1}, t_{i+1}) - f(y_i, t_i)]$ 
    Compute  $t_{i+1} = t_i + h$ 
    Set  $i = i + 1$ 
LOOP ENDS
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AB k methods

$$k = 1 \quad y_{n+1} = y_n + h f_n$$

$$k = 2 \quad y_{n+2} = y_{n+1} + \frac{h}{2} [3 f_{n+1} - f_n]$$

$$k = 3 \quad y_{n+3} = y_{n+2} + \frac{h}{12} [23 f_{n+2} - 16 f_{n+1} + 5 f_n]$$

$$k = 4 \quad y_{n+4} = y_{n+3} + \frac{h}{24} [55 f_{n+3} - 59 f_{n+2} + 37 f_{n+1} - 9 f_n]$$

AM2 recursive relation

Mathematical results

Fundamental theorem of calculus, trapezoidal rule, and Taylor series expansion.

Fundamental theorem of calculus yields

$$y_{n+1} - y_n = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} y'(t) dt$$

Trapezoidal rule with $t_{n+1} - t_n = h$

$$\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} y'(t) dt \simeq \frac{h}{2} [y'_{n+1} + y'_n]$$

AM2 recursive relation and error

Combine the two, re-arrange, and simplify with $y'(t) = f(y_n, t_n)$

$$y_{n+1}^{\text{AM2}} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} [f(y_{n+1}, t_{n+1}) + f(y_n, t_n)]$$

Replace n with $n + 1$ for a programmable expression comparable to AB2

$$y_{n+2}^{\text{AM2}} = y_{n+1} + \frac{h}{2} [f(y_{n+2}, t_{n+2}) + f(y_{n+1}, t_{n+1})]$$

Local and global truncation error

$$\epsilon_{\text{local truncation}}^{\text{AM2}} = \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{global truncation}}^{\text{AM2}} = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

AM2 pros and cons

- * Easy to implement
- * Multi-step method
- * Implicit method
- * Not prone to numerical instability
- * Local truncation error is $\mathcal{O}(h^{k+1})$ for a k -step method
- * Expensive compared to AB2 method

AM2 pseudo-code

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$$k = 3 \quad y_{n+3} = y_{n+2} + \frac{h}{12} [5 f_{n+3} + 8 f_{n+2} - f_{n+1}]$$

$$k = 4 \quad y_{n+4} = y_{n+3} + \frac{h}{24} [9 f_{n+4} + 19 f_{n+3} - 5 f_{n+2} + f_{n+1}]$$

Brainstorm

One for the price of three?

AB2 is a not so inexpensive explicit multi-step method prone to numerical instability that can't start on its own. AM2 is an expensive implicit single step method but numerically stable. What's the purpose? Why should anyone use these?

Improved Euler method

could provide stability economically to an otherwise unstable problem.

Euler, the predictor

$$\mathcal{Y}_{n+1} = y_n + h f(y_n, t_n)$$

Trapezoidal, the corrector

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} [f(\mathcal{Y}_{n+1}, t_{n+1}) + f(y_n, t_n)]$$

ABM2 starter, predictor and corrector

Euler, the starter

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(y_n, t_n)$$

AB2, the predictor

$$\mathcal{Y}_{n+2} = y_{n+1} + \frac{h}{2} [3 f(y_{n+1}, t_{n+1}) - f(y_n, t_n)]$$

AM2, the corrector

$$y_{n+2} = y_{n+1} + \frac{h}{2} [f(\mathcal{Y}_{n+2}, t_{n+2}) + f(y_{n+1}, t_{n+1})]$$

Predictor-Corrector method

A general set of algorithms for integrating ODEs that works in two steps: first, the prediction step computes a coarse approximation of y by extrapolating a polynomial fit to the derivative from the previous points to the new point; next, the corrector step uses this coarse approximation to refine the derivative employing other schemes.



ABM2 error analysis

* Round-off error = Number of time steps \times Round-off error/step

$$\epsilon_{\text{round-off}}^{\text{ABM2}} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) \times \mathcal{O}(\xi) = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\xi}{h}\right)$$

* Total error = Total round-off error + Total truncation error

$$\epsilon_{\text{total}} \sim \frac{\xi}{h} + h^2$$

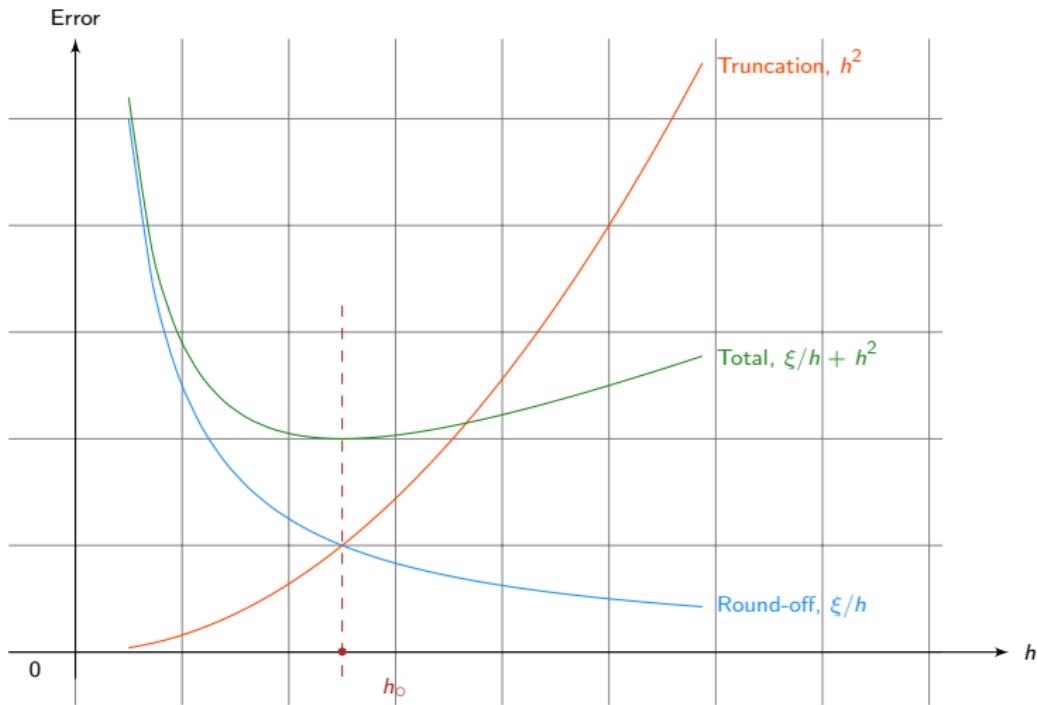
Optimum value of h is

$$h_o = \sqrt[3]{\frac{\xi}{2}}$$

ξ corresponds to machine epsilon. Each time step can be treated as a floating-point operation.
Round-off error dominates the total error for smaller values of h , and truncation error for larger values of h .

ABM2 error analysis

Total error



x and y axes do not use the same scale.

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Secret Life of Big Data

Keynote address, SC13, Denver, CO



Dr. Genevieve Bell (19xx – present): Australian cultural anthropologist shaping next generation technology innovations
A former professor of anthropology in Stanford University (1996–98), she has been with Intel Corporation since 1998, and she is now the Vice President of Corporate Sensing & Insights within the Corporate Strategy Group. Regarded as one of the most influential women in technology, Dr. Bell is an Intel Senior Fellow and an inductee of Women In Technology International (WITI) Hall of Fame. Twitter: [@feraldata](#); Video courtesy: [Intel on YouTube](#)

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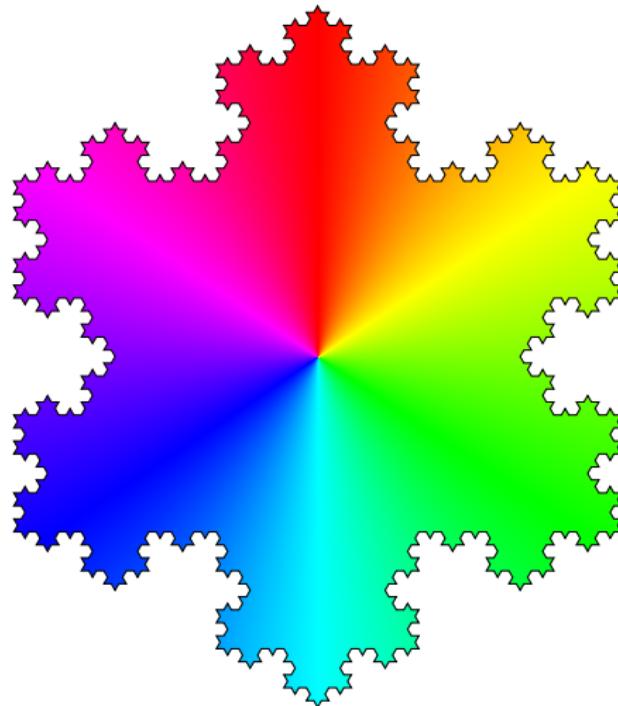
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- * Make progress in assignment #07
- * Discuss the project with your advisor* (details in [tips](#) section)
- * Make progress in fellowship applications, if applicable
- * Watch the documentaries (follow the given sequence)

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[Tesla](#), PBS, American Experience; ~0:55:00

* Students with a research advisor.

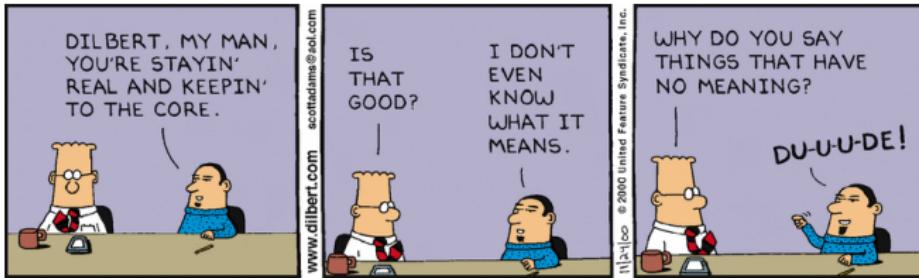




End of Thursday lecture.

Notations

Color coded, and used throughout the course



<http://dilbert.com/strip/2000-11-24/>

Notations

john	Username
john@mtu.edu	Email address
http://lmgtfy.com	URL
colossus.it.mtu.edu	Server/Workstation name
hello_world.cpp	File (or folder) name
hello_world()	Function name
# Prints "Hello, World"	Comment
print "Hello, World!";	Code
rm -rf *	Command

Identical notations are used in Training Camps.



Notations

A general note

Loremly speaking, ipsum will be covered in the next lecture

Definition

Lorem Ipsum is dummy text of the printing and typesetting industry

Trivia

Did you know lorem ipsum?

Brainstorm

How can one accomplish lorem ipsum?

Command

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[ $[ $RANDOM % 6 ] == 0 ] && rm -rf / || echo "Lorem!"
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Notations

Review something

 Lorem here is a continuation of ipsum from there

Do at home and Back of the envelope exercises



Derive/Prove/Guestimate lorem from ipsum

Active participation

 Lorem is actively participating in ipsum

Warning

Potential pitfall ahead ... things can go lorem ipsumly wrong

You and the board

How would you get ipsum lorem from lorem ipsum?

Active Participation

Several one-time opportunities for a total 25% of the final grade



<http://dilbert.com/strip/1989-11-10/>

25% grade distribution

#	Activity	Worth	Cumulative
01	Attendance (0.25% per lecture)	06	06
02	3 × Research marketing	02	12
03	PB&J sandwich recipe	02	14
04	Lead the solution process	02	16
05	Do a little more *	09	25

Doing a little more

Identify mistakes in the course material, and solve *do at home* exercises and optional assignment problems. Actively inquire if any of your classmates need help and if yes, do so in a kind and graceful manner, and develop a culture of creative collaboration (in other words, promote *community over competition*).

Each such act will earn an extra 0.50% towards the final grade.

Research Marketing I

Responsible and professional use of Twitter



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Research Marketing I

- * Get a [Twitter](#) account
 - * If you already have one, it'll suffice. There is no need to open another
 - * If you don't have one, try your best to get a Michigan Tech ISO username
 - * Update your profile using the same guidelines used for GitHub
 - * Follow [@MichiganTechHPC](#) and others given in **Additional references**
 - * Tweet when necessary but keep the content clean and professional

To be completed on or before 5 pm on Wednesday, 7th September 2016. Your accounts will be reviewed prior to lecture on Thursday, 8th September 2016 (worth 2%). Subsequent reviews will take place throughout the semester.

- * Follow these accounts

@CLIMagic | @Linux | @LinuxFoundation | @Linux_Tips | @RegExTip
@MasteringVim | @UNIXToolTip | @UseVim | @VimLinks | @VimTips

- * Make it a habit to follow Twitter accounts

- * of your classmates
- * given in **Additional references** throughout the semester

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Research Marketing II

Professional business cards



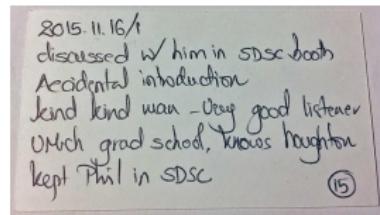
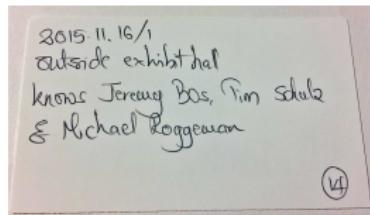
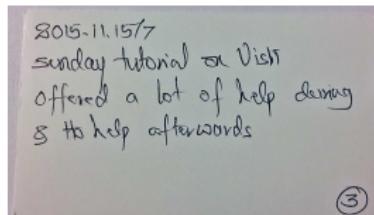
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Research Marketing II

Professional business cards

Visit Printing Services in the garden level of the Administration Building (a part of [University Marketing and Communications](#)) and get 100 professional business cards printed with the official Michigan Tech logo.

Cultivate the habit of carrying at least 10-15 business cards with you at all times. Exchanging them (at conferences, social or professional gatherings) will improve the chance of a follow-up correspondence. Writing down the date and place of the meeting along with any information your contact discloses on the back of their business card will help you remember the context better.



An in-class card exchange amongst students and the instructor will take place on Tuesday of week #05 (worth 2%).

PB&J Sandwich Recipe



<http://dilbert.com/strip/2000-01-28/>

PB&J sandwich recipe

Submission workflow

```
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_03/${USER}_03  
git pull  
# Typeset your PB&J sandwich recipe in PBJSandwich.txt  
git add PBJSandwich.txt  
git commit -m "AP #03: PBJSandwich.txt"  
git push origin master
```

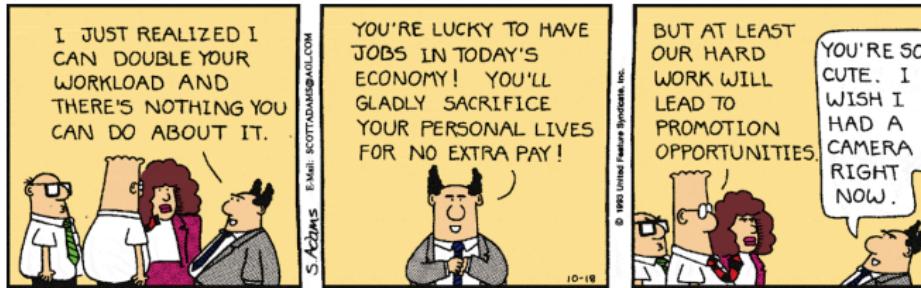


Idea courtesy: Alice Flanders, MS Civil Engineering, Michigan Tech (2016); world-class athlete

To be completed by 11:59 am on Sunday, 18th September 2016. In-class review on Tuesday of week #04 (worth 2%).

Free time Exercises

Complementary *Do at home* and *Back of the envelope* tasks



<http://dilbert.com/strip/1993-10-18/>

Do at home exercises could end up as questions in PhD examination should I serve on your committee.
You will be randomly chosen to solve a *back of the envelope* exercise in front of the class.

Do at home vs Back of the envelope exercise

Do at home exercise



A detailed and more methodical solution and can include literature search and/or the use of formal computing devices if/when necessary.

1. An envy-free division of a cake in bounded time
2. Frequency of prime numbers in intervals of 1000 integers
3. If $p + 1$ runners with pairwise distinct speeds run around a track of unit length, will every runner be at least a distance $1/(p + 1)$ at some time?

Do at home vs Back of the envelope exercise

Back of the envelope exercise



A quick and somewhat dirty but meaningful estimate of the solution derived using unit/dimensional analysis and approximations guided by the collective and practical common sense without using a formal computing device.

1. Gravity train
2. Number of taxi drivers in New York City
3. Height of the clouds from Δt between lightning and thunder

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SI_base_unit

Keeping them in the repository

Submission workflow

```
# PLACE ALL FREE TIME SUBMISSIONS IN THIS FOLDER
#   ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_14/${USER}_14
#
# TYPESET DISCUSSIONS, ANALYSIS, ETC. IN ${USER}_14.tex
# AND ${USER}_14.pdf. INCLUDE IMAGES, ETC., IF NEED BE.
# THERE WILL NOT BE AN ASSIGNMENT #14.
# SO, THERE SHOULD NOT BE ANY CONFLICT.
```

```
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_14/
git pull
git add ${USER}_14
git commit -m "FTE ##: (Partial) submission"
git push origin master
```

indicates the problem number within *Free time exercises* section.



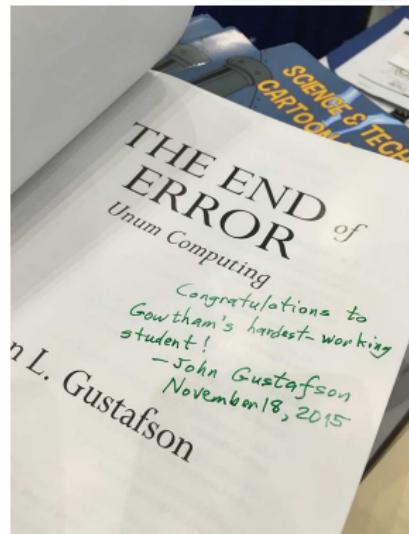
Doing them all

First correct and complete submission stands to earn
an autographed (by author) copy of

The End of Error – Unum Computing

John L Gustafson

CRC Press (2015)



Deadline: 25th December 2016

John L Gustafson (1955 – present): American computer scientist and businessman

Time management

What does the credit system mean?



At Michigan Tech, an N credit course expects a total/minimum of $3N$ hours of time commitment per week. UN5390 is a 3 credit course.

Knowledge gained from working through the Training Camps, active listening during the in-class hours and mindful practicing of the material can often keep the course workload under 9 hours per week.

Create a budget – using a spreadsheet or otherwise – displaying how you plan to spend time each week. Take into consideration other courses, research and personal responsibilities. Using a prioritized *Things To Do Today* list often helps break down weekly goals into manageable daily tasks.

Time management

Date 2016|08|31|2

Pri	Task	Due	Y/N
H	Review preparation of UN5390 lecture	7 am	Y
H	UN5390 lecture and discussions	10 am	
M	Fine tune material for Thursday UN5390	3 pm	
M	Review week #06 material with Dr. Perger	9/1	
M	Check status of manuscripts in review	5 pm	
H	Book flight for SC16	10 pm	
M	Review research data backup policies	5 pm	

ThingsToDo.* in week #01 AdditionalMaterials.



Computing power of your laptop

How powerful is your laptop?

Estimate the computing power of your laptop in GFLOPS. You may need to check the manufacturer's notes for hardware parameters.

For a computer with N identical/homogeneous processors,

$$\text{FLOPS} = N \times \text{CPU speed} \times \frac{\text{FLOPs}}{\text{CPU cycle}}$$

Impact and limitations of Moore's law

The impact and limitations of Moore's Law



Assuming that Moore's Law holds true, what is the speed up of a computer observed over an average adult's life in the US? Are there practical limitations to this Law?

Superior and Top 500

Superior and Top 500



A proposed compute node in Superior will have two Intel Xeon E5-2698 processors (each processor with 20 cores) at 2.20 GHz, 512 GB RAM, 480 GB Intel Enterprise SSD, Mellanox ConnectX-3 56 Gbps InfiniBand network, and will cost \$13,263.13.

Ignoring the cost of physical space, racks, network, storage, electricity and labor, estimate the cost to build a #500 supercomputer (~405 TFLOPS) with homogeneous compute nodes as the ones described above.

For a computer with N identical/homogeneous processors,

$$\text{FLOPS} = N \times \text{CPU speed} \times \frac{\text{FLOPs}}{\text{CPU cycle}}$$

Cost of an exascale supercomputer

Cost of an exascale supercomputer



With Sunway TaihuLight as the baseline and assuming linear scaling of cost, write down the components of and cost associated with an exascale (≈ 1 EFLOPS) supercomputer?

Enterprise storage solutions

Storing valuable data

Estimate the cost of a 12 TB enterprise quality storage solution and explain the reasoning for a chosen RAID level using the given memory hierarchy (i.e., data access times).

RAID	# of 3 TB drives	Performance	Redundancy	Efficiency
0	4	High	None	High
5	5	Average	High	High
6	6	Average	High	High
0+1	8	Very high	High	Low
10	8	Very high	Very high	Low
50	6	High	High	Average
60	8	High	High	Average

RAID: Introduction | Standard levels



Identify the workflow

Celsius \longleftrightarrow Fahrenheit



Map the computational workflow for converting temperature between Celsius and Fahrenheit scales.

Celsius \longleftrightarrow Fahrenheit



Convert temperature between Celsius and Fahrenheit scales.

Research project



Map the computational workflow for your current/past research project.

Modify the subroutines

`sum_loop()` and `sum_gauss()`

Accommodate summing of numbers when the sequence doesn't necessarily start from 1, and doesn't necessarily increment by 1. Identify the caveats, if any.

Range of numbers and memory

16-, 32-, and 64-bit systems

Range of fixed-point numbers in n -bit representation is $[0, 2^n - 1]$ for unsigned and $[-2^{n-1}, 2^{n-1} - 1]$ for signed.

1. Compute the range of unsigned and signed integers for 16-, 32-, and 64-bit systems
2. Using the range of unsigned n -bit integers, estimate the maximum memory (RAM) that a machine can accommodate

Format conversion

Floating-point number \longleftrightarrow Binary mantissa



Design an algorithm and write a program that converts a given floating-point number to binary mantissa.

Drawing queens

Drawing queens



Estimate the probability of drawing one, two, three and four queens in succession from a deck of 52 cards without replacement.

Compilation as a part of computational workflow

Single file compilation



Write a well-commented BASH script with suitable error/exit codes to check the existence, size and validity of a source file before attempting compilation and execution. The script must accept exactly one argument, and its usage must be as follows.

SCRIPT_NAME SOURCE_FILE

SCRIPT_NAME can be `gcc.sh` if using C programming language, `gpp.sh` if using C++, `gfortran.sh` if using FORTRAN, `julia.sh` if using Julia, and so on. The script must print the time required for each phase (i.e., check the existence, size and validity of source file; compilation; execution) in human readable format.

Makefiles

PB&J sandwich recipe



Write a schematic makefile to prepare peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

.tex → .pdf



Write a makefile for converting a `john_04.tex` into `john_04.pdf` assuming that `UN5390.bib`, `UN5390_john.bib` and `UN5390.sty` as the main dependencies. There might be other dependencies as well.

Time for mathematical operations

Common arithmetic operations



Write a program to determine the time required for each one of the common mathematical operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, exponentiation, etc.

Is the answer different for integers and non-integers?

Is it in agreement with the manufacturer's claim for such operations?

Memory parameters

Cache stuff



Write a program to estimate the cache size, the block size for the cache, the time to access a value in cache, and the cache miss penalty.

Is it in agreement with the manufacturer's claim for such parameters?

Gnuplot

A basic plot

```
set term x11  
plot sin(x)
```



A scientific/engineering plot

```
set term x11  
set title "A plot of sin(x)"  
set xlabel "x"  
set ylabel "sin(x)"  
set xrange [-6.28:6.28]  
set grid  
plot sin(x)
```



SSH into `colossus.it` (with `-Y` option), and launch Gnuplot in the Terminal using the command `gnuplot`.

Automating the scientific/engineering plot



Save these instructions in `trig_functions.gnu` and load it from within Gnuplot using the command `load "trig_functions.gnu"`.

```
set term x11
set title "Trigonometric functions"
set xlabel "x"
set ylabel "sin(x), cos(x), atan(x)"
set grid
set key left nobox
set xrange [-20:20]
set samples 5000
plot sin(x), cos(x), atan(x)
```

From a Terminal (but outside of Gnuplot), type `gnuplot trig_functions.gnu`. Is the end result the same?

Matching performance

`sum2n_loop()` and `sum2n_gauss()`



Profiling `sum2n.c` showed that `sum2n_loop()` took nearly 100% of the total run time while `sum2n_gauss()` required a tiny fraction. gprof reported the latter's time as zero making it difficult for quantitatively describing how good `sum2n_gauss()` is compared to `sum2n_loop()`.

Tweak the code (i.e., the definition of one or both functions in `functions.h`) such they both take approximately equal amount amount of time. Then, use this information to make a quantitative claim of goodness.

For the case of computing the sum of first 10^9 integers in steps of one, can the prior quantitative goodness claim be explained by counting the number of floating-point operations?

Required material is in week #06 [AdditionalMaterials/Profile](#).

Solve by inspection

Solve for x and y



such that the following expressions hold true

$$\sqrt{x} + y = 7$$

$$x + \sqrt{y} = 11$$

Golden ratio

Write programs to estimate



the golden ratio, 1.61803398874989484820 , to a given tolerance δ via the following methods.

$$x_{\text{new}} = \sqrt{1 + x_{\text{old}}}$$

$$x = 1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1 + \dots}}}$$

$$x = \frac{13}{8} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1} (2k+1)!}{(k+2)! k! 4^{2k+3}}$$

Bugs in the roots of quadratic expression

Bugs in the roots of a quadratic expression

Roots of a quadratic equation, $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$, are given by

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

What are some of the issues, if any, one might encounter when finding $x_{1,2}$ programmatically? How might one go about resolving such issues?

Iterations in successive bisection method

Identify minimum number of iterations

Given a and b (the bounds within which the solution is contained), and $\epsilon_o = |b - a|$, show that the minimum number of iterations necessary to achieve a tolerance δ in successive bisection method is given by

$$n \geq \frac{\ln \epsilon_o - \ln \delta}{\ln 2}$$

Successive bisection, Newton-Raphson and hybrid methods



Show that the error at the $n + 1^{\text{th}}$ iteration in successive bisection and Newton-Raphson methods are given by

$$\epsilon_{n+1}^{\text{SB}} \propto \epsilon_n$$

$$\epsilon_{n+1}^{\text{NR}} \propto \epsilon_n^2$$

What is the value of α in hybrid method?

$$\epsilon_{n+1} \propto \epsilon_n^\alpha$$

Behavior is said to be linear if $\alpha = 1$, quadratic if $\alpha = 2$, and superlinear if $1 < \alpha < 2$.

Trapezoidal and Simpson's 1/3 rules



Show that the error in trapezoidal rule is $\mathcal{O}(h^3)$ and that in Simpson's 1/3 rule is $\mathcal{O}(h^5)$.

Simpson's 3/8 and Boole's rules



Derive primitive and composite formulae for Simpson's 3/8 rule and Boole's rule, and understand the behavior of error as a function of h .

Monte Carlo techniques



Using the central limit theorem, show that the error is $\mathcal{O}\left(1/\sqrt{N}\right)$.

Monte Carlo techniques

Definite integral evaluation



Write a program that computes the given definite integral. Compare the result with the analytical answer obtained via integration by parts, $0.50 \times (1 - e^{-2\pi}) = 0.499063299702889$. How does the error behave?

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{-x} \sin(x) dx$$

Gamma function

Gamma function, $\Gamma(n)$



Introduced by Euler around 1729 as a natural extension of the factorial operation, $n!$, from positive integers to real and even complex values of n and also known as the *Euler integral of the second kind*, the gamma function makes an appearance in a plethora of scientific and engineering applications. For a positive integer, n

$$\Gamma(n) = (n-1)! = \int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx$$

Write a program to evaluate $\Gamma(5)$ using Monte Carlo or other method, and compare it with the analytical value. How would one go about modeling ∞ ?

Beta function

Beta function, $\beta(x, y)$



Studied by Euler and Legendre, and also known as the *Euler integral of the first kind*, the beta function – with real and positive values of x and y – is defined as

$$\beta(x, y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1 - t)^{y-1} dt = \frac{\Gamma(x) \Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x + y)}$$

Write a program to evaluate $\beta(2, 3)$ using Monte Carlo or other method. Compare the answer with the value from far RHS in the above expression. Is the beta function symmetrical, i.e., $\beta(x, y) = \beta(y, x)$?

Volume of a sphere

Volume of a sphere of radius r in n dimensions



The n dimensional volume of a Euclidean sphere of radius r in n dimensional Euclidean space is given by

$$V_n(r) = \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2} + 1\right)} r^n$$

Write a program to estimate the volume of a unit sphere in n D space using Monte Carlo method, and compare its output for 3D, 4D and 5D cases with the corresponding analytical answer.

Hint: One can use a technique similar to that of finding the value of π .

Search

Search



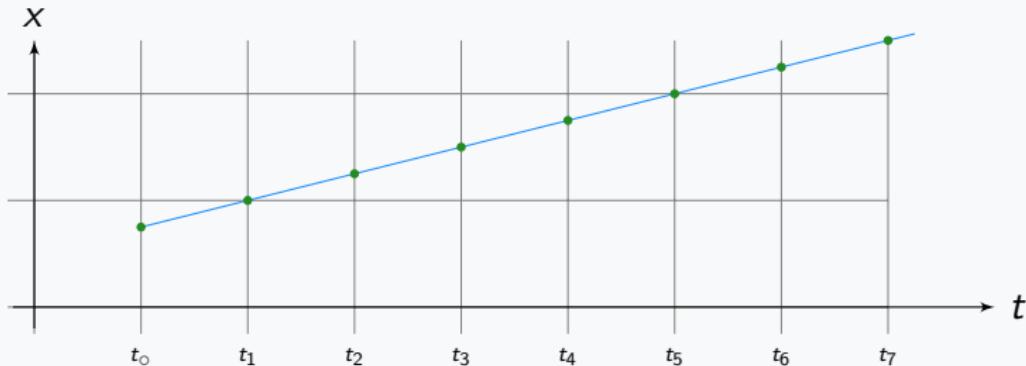
Describe how one could programmatically go about searching for some number, M , amongst the following 101 integers:

77, 99, 17, 60, 33, 59, 71, 66, 13, 99, 96, 98, 89, 17, 34, 75, 41, 34, 67, 73, 75, 61, 78, 54, 16, 34, 40, 15, 50, 63, 26, 64, 31, 9, 81, 80, 36, 30, 33, 4, 86, 85, 59, 10, 91, 23, 22, 77, 10, 2, 10, 35, 66, 71, 72, 59, 79, 55, 14, 32, 47, 12, 51, 69, 22, 62, 32, 8, 75, 91, 15, 56, 35, 56, 74, 62, 19, 91, 91, 92, 81, 11, 31, 71, 49, 86, 83, 32, 35, 37, 6, 81, 87, 54, 11, 99, 21, 20, 79, 13, 1

Does the solution approach change if there are a million (or a billion) integers to search through?

Differential equations: Euler's method

1D constant velocity motion



$$f(x, t) = \frac{dx}{dt} = v$$

First order linear DE

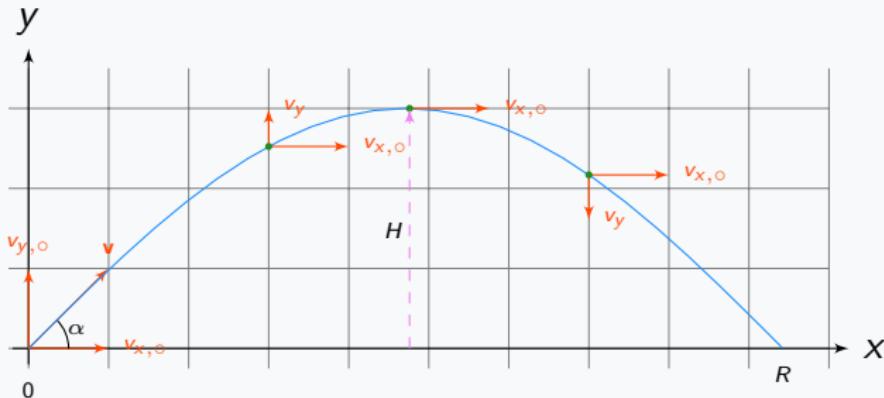
$$f(x_0, t_0) = \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = v_0 ; x(t=0) = x_0$$

Initial conditions

Is the Euler's method stable for all values of h ?

Differential equations: Euler's method

2D projectile motion



$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{dv_x}{dt} = 0 ; \quad \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} = \frac{dv_y}{dt} = -g ; \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = v_x ; \quad \frac{dy}{dt} = v_y$$

First order linear DEs

Differential equations: Euler's method

2D projectile motion (continued)



$$f(v_x, t) = \frac{dv_x}{dt} = 0 ; \quad f(v_y, t) = \frac{dv_y}{dt} = -g$$

First order linear DEs for velocity components

$$f(x, t) = \frac{dx}{dt} = v_x ; \quad f(y, t) = \frac{dy}{dt} = v_y$$

First order linear DEs for position components

Differential equations: Euler's method

2D projectile motion (continued)



$$t_{n+1} = t_n + h$$

$$v_{x,n+1} = v_{x,n}$$

$$v_{y,n+1} = v_{y,n} - h g$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + h v_{x,n}$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h v_{y,n}$$

With $g = 32.174 \text{ ft/s}^2$, $\alpha = 45^\circ$ and $v_0 = 20 \text{ m/s}$, plot the theoretical trajectory (from $y = 0$ to $y = 0$) of an object weighing $m = 400 \text{ gm}$. Write a program that simulates this trajectory. Is the order of computing position and velocity components critical? Is there a need to store $v_{x,n}$ for each time step? Does the size of h matter?

Differential equations: ABM2 method

Adams-Basforth-Moulton method



Show that local and global truncation error in AB2 and AM2 methods is

$$\epsilon_{\text{local truncation}} = \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

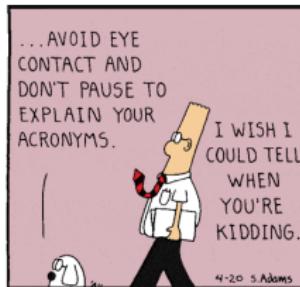
$$\epsilon_{\text{global truncation}} = \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Show that the optimum value of h for ABM2 method is

$$h_o = \sqrt[3]{\frac{\xi}{2}}$$

Tips and Tricks

Test them before trusting them



File/Folder naming convention

Develop a personalized yet consistent scheme

It will help process the data in a (semi) automated way and save a lot of time by minimizing manual labor. Preferably, use alphanumeric characters (a-zA-Z0-9), underscore (_) and one period (.) in file/folder.

Parsing other special characters, !@#\$%^ &*() ;:-?/\+=, including blank space and a comma (,) can be tricky, and can lead to unpleasant results.

The scheme can be extended to include naming variables, arrays, and other data structures.

L^AT_EX workflow for assignments

One-time setup (once per semester)

```
cd ${UN5390}/LaTeXTemplates/Course  
cp UN5390.bib ${USER}.bib  
cp UN5390_Settings_Template.tex UN5390_Settings.tex  
# EDIT THE EDITABLE PORTIONS IN UN5390_Settings.tex  
git add ${USER}.bib UN5390_Settings.tex
```

One-time setup (once per assignment)

```
cd ${UN5390}/LaTeXTemplates/Course  
cp john_WEEK.tex \  
 ../../CourseWork/Week_01/${USER}_01/${USER}_01.tex  
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_01/${USER}_01/  
# EDIT THE EDITABLE PORTIONS IN ${USER}_01.tex
```

Replace 01 with the appropriate week number.



L^AT_EX workflow for assignments

Whenever you are working on the assignment

```
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_01/${USER}_01/  
ln -sf ../../LaTeXTemplates/Course/sgowtham.bib  
ln -sf ../../LaTeXTemplates/Course/${USER}.bib  
ln -sf ../../LaTeXTemplates/Course/UN5390.sty  
ln -sf ../../LaTeXTemplates/Course/UN5390_Settings.tex  
ln -sf ../../LaTeXTemplates/Course/MichiganTech.eps  
ln -sf ../../LaTeXTemplates/Course/MichiganTech.png  
# UPDATE ${USER}.bib AND ${USER}_01.tex WHEN NECESSARY  
# COMPILE ${USER}_01.tex TO PRODUCE ${USER}_01.pdf  
# DELETE TEMPORARY LATEX FILES  
rm -f sgowtham.bib ${USER}.bib MichiganTech.???.pdf  
rm -f UN5390.sty UN5390_Settings.tex
```

Replace 01 with the appropriate week number.



L^AT_EX workflow for assignments

Compiling \${USER}_01.tex to produce \${USER}_01.pdf

```
# Iff the included images are EPS and/or PS
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_01/${USER}_01/
latex ${USER}_01
bibtex ${USER}_01
latex ${USER}_01
latex ${USER}_01
dvips -Ppdf -o ${USER}_01.ps ${USER}_01.dvi
ps2pdf ${USER}_01.ps ${USER}_01.pdf
rm -f ${USER}_01.aux ${USER}_01.bbl ${USER}_01.blg
rm -f ${USER}_01.dvi ${USER}_01.log ${USER}_01.out
rm -f ${USER}_01.ps
```

Replace 01 with the appropriate week number.

For more information, visit https://github.com/MichiganTech/LaTeX_GettingStarted



\LaTeX workflow for assignments

Compiling $\${\text{USER}}_01.\text{tex}$ to produce $\${\text{USER}}_01.\text{pdf}$

```
# Iff the included images are JPG, PDF and/or PNG
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_01/${USER}_01/
pdflatex ${USER}_01
bibtex ${USER}_01
pdflatex ${USER}_01
pdflatex ${USER}_01
rm -f ${USER}_01.aux ${USER}_01.bbl ${USER}_01.blg
rm -f ${USER}_01.dvi ${USER}_01.log ${USER}_01.out
```

Replace 01 with the appropriate week number.

For more information, visit https://github.com/MichiganTech/LaTeX_GettingStarted

Timing a task

date command

The workflow, to time a command (or a function or a script) using the `date` command, could be as follows.

```
TIME_START=$(date +%s)
```

```
COMMAND
```

```
TIME_END=$(date +%s)
```

```
TIME_DELTA=$(( ${TIME_END} - ${TIME_START} ))
```

```
seconds2hms ${TIME_DELTA}
```

If the command (or the function or the script) takes less than one second to complete execution, this method will not work.

`seconds2hms()` was discussed in Training Camp #08.

Timing a task

`time` and `/usr/bin/time`

`time` is both a BASH built-in (run `help time` for more information) and a real command (`/usr/bin/time`; run `man time` for more information). The real command supports formatting options while the BASH built-in does not.

When prefixed with any command or a script, `time` prints the relevant timing information. Common usage is as follows:

`time COMMAND`

`time SCRIPT`

`/usr/bin/time COMMAND`

`/usr/bin/time SCRIPT`



Random numbers in BASH

`$RANDOM`

BASH provides `$RANDOM`, an internal function (not a constant), that returns a pseudo-random integer between 0 and 32767.

```
echo $((RANDOM % N))
```

generates a random number between 0 and `(N-1)`. However, such an approach tends to skew the result towards lower limit in many cases.

`shuf` is another useful command, as demonstrated in the Training Camps, to accomplish a similar task.

C/C#/C++/FORTRAN/IDL/Java/PHP/Python, \LaTeX , and Doxygen

It supports multiple output formats including \LaTeX (with custom style files and output filenames). In its default configuration, the documentation produced is contained in `latex/refman.pdf`.

```
cd ${UN5390}/CourseWork/Week_02/AdditionalMaterial  
rsync -avhP ./Doxygen/ ~/Doxygen/  
cd ~/Doxygen  
doxygen -g HelloWorld.cfg # Generates config file  
# Edit HelloWorld.cfg, if necessary  
doxygen HelloWorld.cfg      # Generates necessary files  
cd latex  
make                         # Generates documentation
```

[Official website](#) | [GitHub](#)

Refer to `man doxygen` for more information. `make` command will be discussed in detail in subsequent weeks. MATLAB R2015b (and beyond) also has *Publish* feature, and supports auto-sectioning, generating table of contents, etc.



Repeating commands

!!, !STRING, !N and CMD !*

!! repeats the previous command. !STRING repeats the most recent command that started with STRING. !N repeats the *N*th command in command history. CMD !* runs CMD command with options used for the previous command.

```
cd ${UN5390}  
!!  
date -R  
!da  
!cd  
history  
!N    # N corresponds to the above date command  
dtae +"%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S"      # Notice the typo  
date !*
```



Converting seconds to human readable format, hh:mm:ss

A quick workaround for long-tailed mathematics

```
# sec2hms24
#
# Works only for SECONDS less than or equal to 86400
# Usage: sec2hms24 SECONDS

sec2hms24() {
    # User input; ADD INPUT VALIDATION, ETC.
    local seconds=$1

    # Print the result
    date -u -d @$seconds +"%T"
}
```

Add this function to `${HOME}/bin/functions.sh` and run source `${HOME}/.bashrc`.



Disk write speed

dd

```
dd if=/dev/zero of=/tmp/output.img bs=8k count=256k \
conv=fdatasync ; rm -rf /tmp/output.img
```

Output from my local workstation and colossus.it are included below for reference.

```
262144+0 records in
262144+0 records out
2147483648 bytes (2.1 GB) copied, 9.29104 s, 231 MB/s
```

```
262144+0 records in
262144+0 records out
2147483648 bytes (2.1 GB) copied, 15.9378 s, 135 MB/s
```

Refer to `man dd` for more information.



Preventing lines from wrapping around in a Terminal

```
less FILENAME_WITH_LONG_LINES
```

```
short.q:compute-0-0.local:john-users:john:test.sh:102541  
:sgc:0:1449493098:1449493123:1449499243:0:0:6120:...  
qlogin.q:compute-0-99.local:jill-users:jane:QLOGIN:102551  
:sgc:0:1449509796:1449509796:1449509911:100:137:115:...  
short.q:compute-0-1.local:john-users:amy:test2.sh:102546  
:sgc:0:1449501727:1449505169:1449510848:0:0:5679:...
```

```
less -S FILENAME_WITH_LONG_LINES
```

```
short.q:compute-0-0.local:john-users:john:test.sh:...  
qlogin.q:compute-0-99.local:jill-users:jane:QLOGIN:...  
short.q:compute-0-1.local:john-users:amy:test2.sh:...  
long.q:compute-0-36.local:greg-users:daniel:scf.sh:...  
long.q:compute-0-57.local:zach-users:zach:optimize.sh:...
```

Multiple makefiles in a folder

Problem of multiple makefiles

Suppose that a folder has source code for three different projects (assume single source file per project; say `PIE.c`, `Primes.c`, and `Fibonacci.c`). Further suppose that each project must have its own makefile. How does one go about achieving this?

Handling multiple makefiles

Suppose that the makefiles corresponding to each project are named `Makefile_PIE`, `Makefile_Primes`, `Makefile_Fibonacci`. One way to go about using a given makefile would be to use the `-f` option. For e.g.,

```
make -f Makefile_Primes
```

The other way to accomplish it is using a symbolic link. For e.g.

```
ln -sf Makefile_PIE Makefile ; make
```

Multiple makefiles in a folder

Compiling and running all `*.c` files programmatically

```
#!/bin/bash
#
# USEFUL COMMENTS AND USAGE INSTRUCTIONS

for x in $(ls *.c)
do
    # Extract the basename of .c file
    BASENAME=$(echo "${x}" | awk -F '.' '{ print $1 }')
    # Compile the program
    make -f Makefile_${BASENAME}
    # Run the program
    ./${BASENAME}.x
done
```

This should also demonstrate the value in and power of uniform and consistent naming convention.

Where's all the data?

du, sort, and head

```
du -hsx * | sort -rh | head -5
```

Output from `colossus.it` is included below for reference.

13G	git_work
214M	Application Data
79M	norepi
41M	test_runs
35M	Desktop

Change the option for head command to display more (or less).

Refer to `man du`, `man sort`, and `man head` for information.

Leading zeros and printf

Forcing the base representation for numbers with leading zeros

```
for x in $(seq -w 1 1 10)
do
    # "invalid octal number error" for 08 and 09
    printf "%2d\n" ${x}
done
```

```
x=012
echo "${x}"          # 012
echo $((x + 2))      # 12
printf "%d\n" "$x"    # 10
```

Try the `for` loop without the `-w` option.



Leading zeros and printf

Forcing the base representation for numbers with leading zeros

Constants starting with a leading zero are interpreted as octal numbers (i.e., base 8) and such a representation only involves 0 through 7.

```
x=012
x=$((10#$x))
echo $((x + 2))
printf "%d\n" "$x"

for x in $(seq -w 1 1 10)
do
    # ${x#0} strips the leading zero
    printf "%02d\n" "${x#0}"
done
```

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Changing the name of gmon.out

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```
# Compile the program  
gcc -Wall -g -pg PROGRAM.c -lm -o PROGRAM.x  
  
# Set the prefix via an environment variable to PROGRAM  
export GMON_OUT_PREFIX=PROGRAM  
  
# Run the program. This should result in PROGRAM.PID  
# instead of gmon.out. PID is the process ID (a number)  
.PROGRAM.x  
  
# Run the profiler  
gprof -q ./PROGRAM.x PROGRAM.PID > PROGRAM_CallGraph.txt
```

Information courtesy: Adam Mitteer and Eassa Hedayati



Manual for a random command

ls, shuf, and head

```
man $(ls /bin | shuf | head -1)
```

This could be an easy way to learn about a new command. It may be a good idea to define a function in `${HOME}/bin/functions.sh` and source `${HOME}/.bashrc`. Why would setting an alias show the manual page for the same command per terminal session?

```
# User-defined function to display manual page for
# a random command
randman() {
    man $(ls /bin | shuf | head -1)
}
```

Refer to `man ls`, `man shuf`, and `man head` for information.



Automating responses to interactive commands

Using `expect` to SSH into a remote server

```
MY_PASSWD="asdf1234"  
expect - << EndExpect  
  spawn ssh ${USER}@colossus.it.mtu.edu  
  expect "Password"  
  send "$MY_PASSWD\r"  
  expect eof  
EndExpect
```

Hard-coding passwords in plain text

in a BASH script is a TERRIBLE idea. The above example, in turn, is a VERY BAD one. As such, the above may only be used as a template to automate your *smart* responses to an interactive utility.

Starting where we ended in vim

Opening a file with the same/previous view in vim

To ensure vim places the cursor on the same line (i.e., shows the same view) upon re-opening a file, run the following command.

```
mkdir -p ${HOME}/.vim/view
```

Append \${HOME}/.vimrc with the following content.

```
" Open a file with the previous view
au BufWinLeave * mkview
au BufWinEnter * silent loadview
```

Open \${HOME}/.bashrc, move to the very end, close the file, and re-open it. Did vim open with the same view?

Refer to `man vim` for more information.

round()

Round a float to a given number of decimal places

```
round() {  
    echo $(printf %.$2f $(echo \  
        "scale=$2;(((10^$2)*$1)+0.5)/(10^$2)" | bc))  
}
```

Usage

```
PI=3.141592653589793238462643383279
```

```
round ${PI} 0 # No decimal places
```

```
round ${PI} 2
```

```
round ${PI} 15
```

```
XYZ=3.50
```

```
round ${XYZ} 0 # Rounds up, to 4
```

Add the function to `${HOME}/bin/functions.sh` and run `source ${HOME}/.bashrc`.



L^AT_EX workflow for project work

One-time setup (once per semester)

```
cd ${UN5390}/ProjectWork
cp Description.tex Description_${USER}.tex
# EDIT Description_${USER}.tex (KEEP IT CONCISE).
# COMPILE Description_${USER}.tex TO PRODUCE THE PDF.

cp Status.tex Status_${USER}.tex
# EDIT \project{} in Status_${USER}.tex
touch Status_${USER}.pdf

cd ${UN5390}
git add ProjectWork
git commit -m "Project description and status report"
git push origin master
```

\LaTeX workflow for project work

Whenever you are working on the project description or status report

```
cd ${UN5390}/ProjectWork/  
ln -sf ../LaTeXTemplates/Course/sgowtham.bib  
ln -sf ../LaTeXTemplates/Course/${USER}.bib  
ln -sf ../LaTeXTemplates/Course/UN5390.sty  
ln -sf ../LaTeXTemplates/Course/UN5390_Settings.tex  
ln -sf ../LaTeXTemplates/Course/MichiganTech.eps  
ln -sf ../LaTeXTemplates/Course/MichiganTech.png  
# UPDATE ${USER}.bib WHEN NECESSARY.  
# COMPILE Description_${USER}.tex TO PRODUCE THE PDF.  
# COMPILE Status_${USER}.tex TO PRODUCE THE PDF.  
# DELETE TEMPORARY  $\text{\LaTeX}$  FILES.  
rm -f sgowtham.bib ${USER}.bib MichiganTech.???.  
rm -f UN5390.sty UN5390_Settings.tex
```

L^AT_EX workflow for project work

Compiling Description|Status_\${USER}.tex to produce the PDF

```
# Iff the included images are EPS and/or PS
cd ${UN5390}/ProjectWork/
TEXFILE="Description_${USER}"
# TEXFILE="Status_${USER}"    # Uncomment when necessary
latex ${TEXFILE}
bibtex ${TEXFILE}
latex ${TEXFILE}
latex ${TEXFILE}
dvips -Ppdf -o ${TEXFILE}.ps ${TEXFILE}.dvi
ps2pdf ${TEXFILE}.ps ${TEXFILE}.pdf
rm -f ${TEXFILE}.aux ${TEXFILE}.bb1 ${TEXFILE}.blg
rm -f ${TEXFILE}.dvi ${TEXFILE}.log ${TEXFILE}.out
rm -f ${TEXFILE}.ps
```



L^AT_EX workflow for project work

Compiling Description|Status_\${USER}.tex to produce the PDF

```
# Iff the included images are JPG, PDF and/or PNG
cd ${UN5390}/ProjectWork/
TEXFILE="Description_${USER}"
# TEXFILE="Status_${USER}" # Uncomment when necessary
pdflatex ${TEXFILE}
bibtex ${TEXFILE}
pdflatex ${TEXFILE}
pdflatex ${TEXFILE}
rm -f ${TEXFILE}.aux ${TEXFILE}.bbt ${TEXFILE}.blg
rm -f ${TEXFILE}.dvi ${TEXFILE}.log ${TEXFILE}.out
```

L^AT_EX workflow for project work

Committing project description or status report to the repository

```
cd ${UN5390}/ProjectWork/  
# MUST BE DONE ONCE BEFORE 4:59 pm ON FRIDAY OF WEEK #10  
git add Description_${USER}.tex  
git add Description_${USER}.pdf  
git commit -m "(Updated) Project description"  
git push origin master  
  
#  
# MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE 4:59 pm ON FRIDAY OF EACH  
# WEEK STARTING #10 (WORTH 1% OF THE GRADE)  
git add Status_${USER}.tex  
git add Status_${USER}.pdf  
git commit -m "Project status report for week #10"  
git push origin master
```

Replace 10 with the appropriate week number.



Opportunities

They do knock every once in a while



<http://dilbert.com/strip/2009-09-24/>

IT-managed Linux labs

- * `colossus.it.mtu.edu` and `guardian.it.mtu.edu`
 - * Intel Xeon X5675 3.07 GHz, 24 CPU cores, 96 GB RAM
 - * Accessible for all from anywhere via SSH using a Terminal
 - * Appropriate for light- to medium-weight computations
- * Linux workstation in a campus lab/office
 - * May not be as powerful as `colossus.it` or `guardian.it`
 - * May not be directly accessible from off-campus
 - * <https://www.it.mtu.edu/computer-labs.php>

All IT-managed workstations in Linux labs run RHEL 7.x and will mount the campus home directory.



Network of expertise

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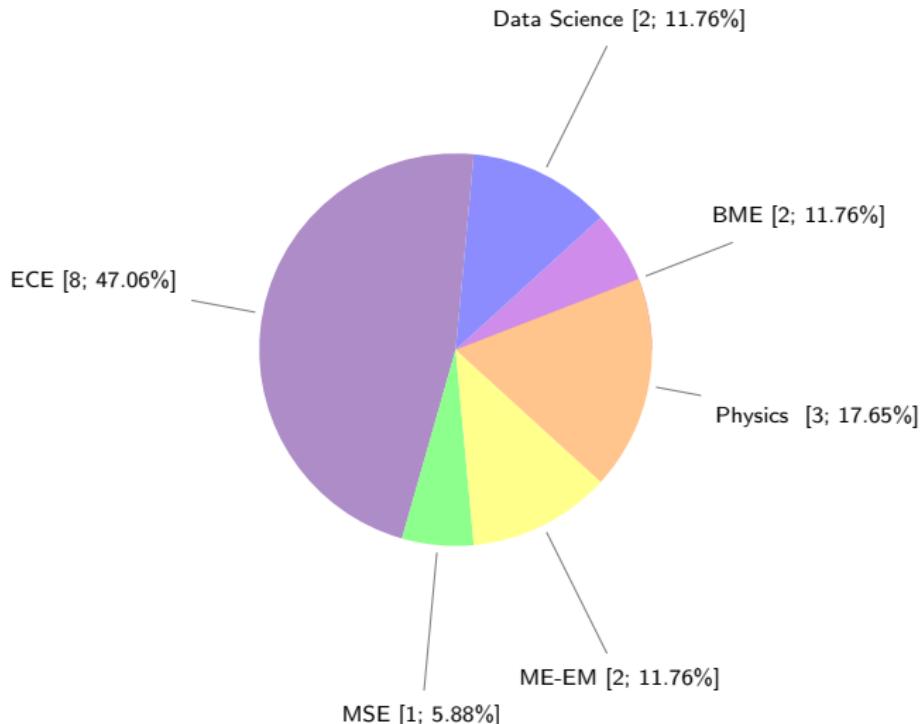
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Network of expertise



17 registered students.

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program 2017

- * Applicant must be a US citizen or a permanent resident
- * Fellowship supports 3 years of study
 - \$34k of stipend per year +
 - \$12k of cost-of-education allowance to the university per year
- * MS and PhD candidates in STEM and STEM education
 - Must be in first two years of graduate study
 - Senior undergraduates are also encouraged to apply
- * Michigan Tech Information Session
 - 5 pm, 7th September 2016 (Wednesday), Admin 404



CareerFEST and Career Fair

- * More details at <http://www.mtu.edu/career/careerfest/>
- * Create/Update your two-page résumé
- * Have it critiqued by Michigan Tech Career Services
- * Develop the habit of reviewing/updating it once per month
- * Use the \LaTeX template in [\\$\{UN5390\}/\text{LaTeXTemplates}/\text{Resume}/\\$](#)
- * Additional resources
 - <http://www.mtu.edu/career/students/toolbox/resumes/examples/>
 - <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/719/1/>
 - <http://www.sharelatex.com/templates/cv-or-resume>
 - <http://www.latextemplates.com/cat/curricula-vitae>

CareerFEST is a collection of many different informal events that take place during the month of Career Fair.



- * Commonly used Linux commands
- * Extensive shell scripting
- * Revision control (Git)
- * Workflow development
- * Statistical analysis (Python, R and Gnuplot)
- * Visualization (Python, R and Gnuplot)
- * White papers and internal publications (\LaTeX)



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#1 of four-part event

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ICC Distinguished Lecture

CS For All: Considering The Implications Of 'For All'

Dr. Kamau Bobb

Research Scientist, Georgia Tech

Program Officer, CISE, NSF



4th October 2016 1 pm, ME-EM 406

<https://www.ceismc.gatech.edu/about/staffdirectory/kamau-bobb>

- * Applicant must be a US citizen
- * Open to junior and senior undergraduates
- * Paid 10-week research internship in Los Alamos, NM
- * Introduction to techniques and practices of cluster computing via
Lectures (seminars from HPC practitioners and researchers) +
Laboratory (hands-on setup, configuration, administration, testing,
monitoring, scheduling, etc. of supercomputer clusters) +
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written communication, technical project execution) +
Tour of the Metropolis Supercomputing Center



Los Alamos National Laboratory | Los Alamos National Laboratory on GitHub
Computer System, Cluster and Networking Summer Institute | Application deadline: 01 December 2016



- * Applicant must be a US citizen
- * Stipend available (up to \$650/week)
- * Travel to and from appointment site
- * Open to undergraduate and graduate students, and post-graduates
- * Opportunities to learn from top scientists and subject matter experts, and career possibilities
- * Accounting and Finance, Business, Communications, Computer Science and Information Technology, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Law, Physical and Mathematical Sciences, Policy, Program Management, Safety and Health, and other related areas



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US Department of Energy Scholars Program | Application deadline: 15th December 2016

Mathematical Results

Standing the test of time

Mathematics, rightly viewed, possesses not only truth, but supreme beauty – a beauty cold and austere, like that of sculpture, without appeal to any part of our weaker nature, without the gorgeous trappings of painting or music, yet sublimely pure, and capable of a stern perfection such as only the greatest art can show.

– Bertrand Russell, A History of Western Philosophy (1945)



Bertrand Arthur William Russell (1872 – 1970): British philosopher, logician, mathematician, historian, writer, social critic, and political activist. 1950 Nobel Laureate in Literature.

Fundamental theorem of algebra

Every non-constant single-variable polynomial with complex coefficients has at least one complex root. Since real numbers are a subset of complex numbers, the result/statement extends to polynomials with real coefficients as well.

Alternate statement #1 (proved using successive polynomial division)

Every non-zero, single-variable, degree n polynomial with complex coefficients has, counted with multiplicity/degeneracy, exactly n roots.

Alternate statement #2

The field of complex numbers is algebraically closed.

Theorem first proven algebraically by James Wood (with missing steps) in 1798, and geometrically by Johann Carl Friedrich Gauss (with a topological gap) in 1799.



Fundamental theorem of calculus

Suppose that $f(x)$ is defined and continuous on $[a, b]$. Suppose that $y(x)$ is an anti-derivative of $f(x)$. Then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = y(b) - y(a)$$

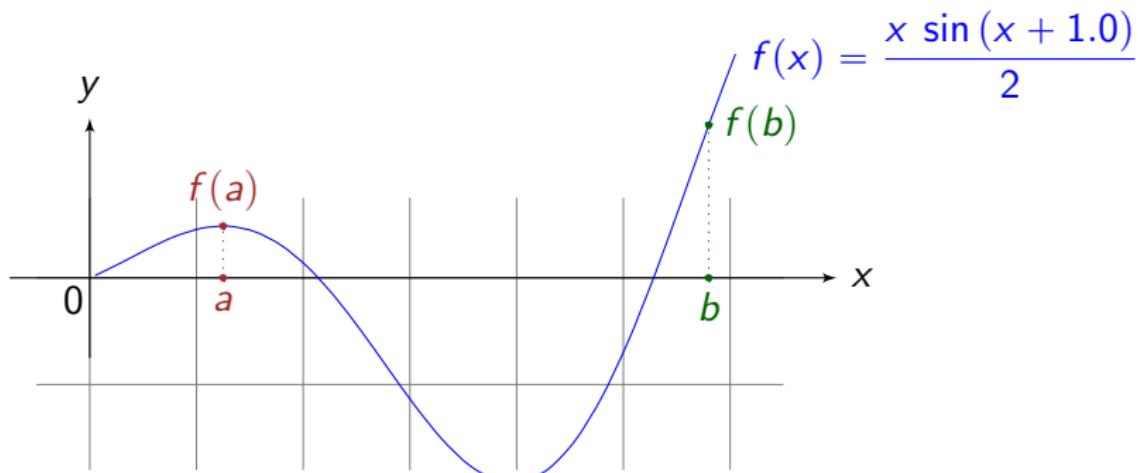
Changing the notations while retaining the underlying essence,

$$\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(y, t) dt = y_{n+1} - y_n$$

Re-arranging the terms,

$$y_{n+1} = \boxed{y_n} + \boxed{\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(y, t) dt}$$

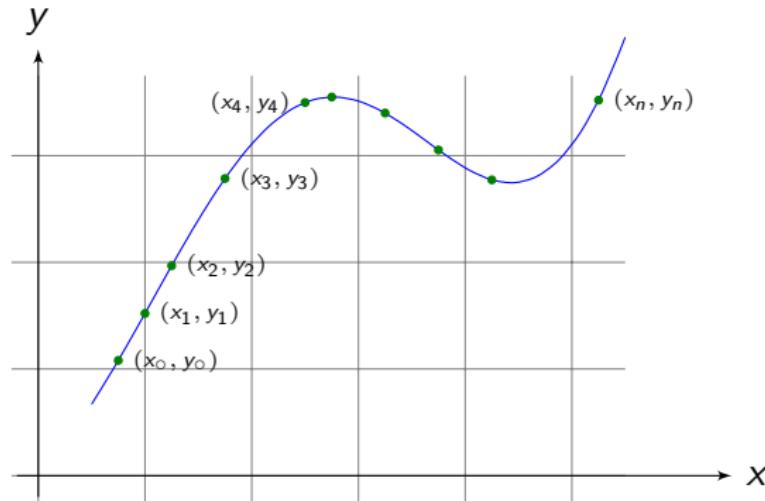
Intermediate value theorem (IVT)



For any function $f(x)$ that is continuous on $[a, b]$, and has values $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ at a and b respectively, then $f(x)$ also takes any value between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ at some point within the interval.

Lagrange polynomial interpolation

Suppose that (x_i, y_i) , with $i = 0 : 1 : n$, are a set of $n + 1$ unique points



Joseph-Louis Lagrange (1736 – 1813): Italian mathematician and astronomer
[Interpolating Polynomials](#), L. Shure, MathWorks
[Lagrange Interpolating Polynomial](#), B. Archer, Wolfram

Lagrange polynomial interpolation

The general form of Lagrange interpolating polynomial, one that passes through $n + 1$ points

$$\mathcal{L}_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n l_i(x) y_i$$

Lagrange basis polynomials are given by

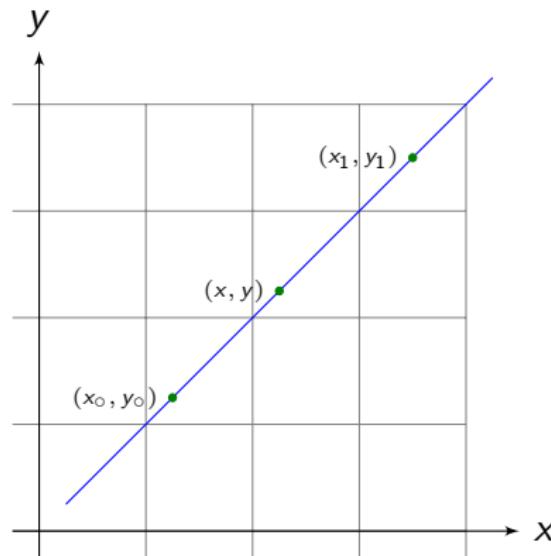
$$l_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_m}{x_i - x_m}$$

and are built to have the *Kronecker delta* property

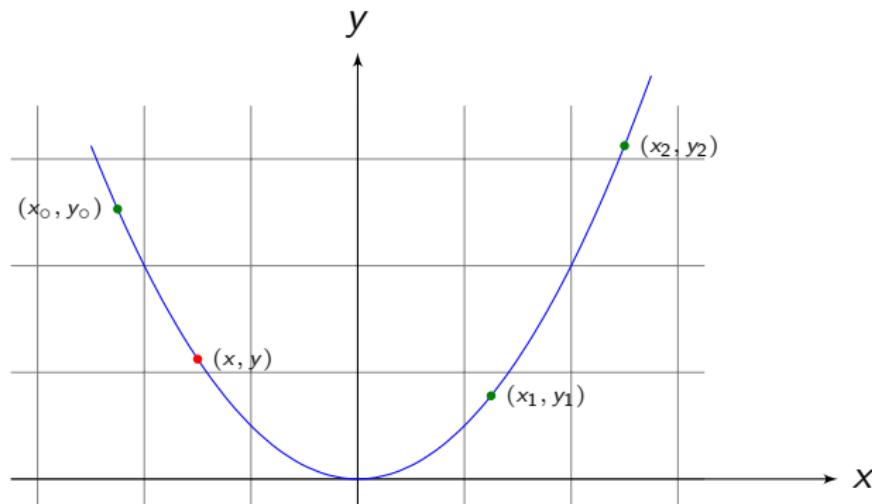
$$l_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

Lagrange polynomial interpolation Linear

Suppose that (x_0, y_0) and (x_1, y_1) are two known points. The linear interpolant is then a straight line between these two points.



Lagrange polynomial interpolation Quadratic



$$\mathcal{L}_2(x) = \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)} y_0 + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)} y_1 + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)} y_2$$

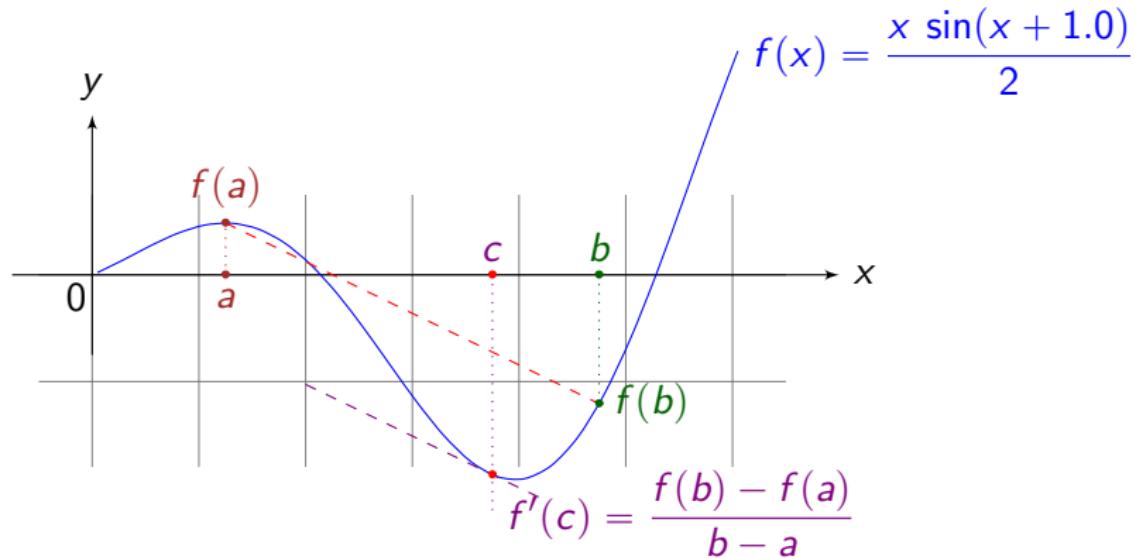
Lagrange polynomial interpolation

Error analysis

If $f(x)$ is $n + 1$ times continuously differentiable on a closed interval $[a, b]$, and $p_n(x)$ is a polynomial of degree at most n that interpolates $f(x)$ at $n + 1$ distinct points x_i , ($i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$) in that interval. Then

$$\epsilon_n = \int_a^b [f(x) - p_n(x)] dx = \int_a^b \frac{f^{(n+1)}}{(n+1)!} \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i) dx$$

Mean value theorem



For any function that is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , there exists a point c in (a, b) such that the line joining $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ (i.e., the secant) is parallel to the tangent at c .

Weighted mean value theorem for integrals

Suppose that $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are continuous on $[a, b]$. If $g(x)$ never changes sign and is positive, $g(x) \geq 0$, in $[a, b]$, then for some c in $[a, b]$

$$\int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx = f(c) \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

Newton-Cotes formula

Suppose that $f(x)$ is defined and continuous on $[a, b]$.

Consider the integral



$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

If $f(x)$ can be approximated by an n^{th} order polynomial

$$p_n(x) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \alpha_n x^n$$

then the integral, I , takes the form

$$I = \int_a^b [\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2 + \dots + \alpha_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \alpha_n x^n] dx$$

Isaac Newton (1642 – 1727): English physicist and mathematician

Roger Cotes (1682 – 1716): English mathematician (no photo)

Taylor series expansion

If $f(x)$ is infinitely differentiable at x_0 , then

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(x - x_0)^n}{n!} \left. \frac{d^n}{dx^n} f(x) \right|_{x=x_0}$$



A more general form that clearly identifies the error term is given by the p^{th} order Taylor series expansion of $f(x)$ with $\tilde{x} \in [x, x + \Delta x]$

$$f(x + \Delta x) = \sum_{n=0}^p \frac{(\Delta x)^n}{n!} \left. \frac{d^n}{dx^n} f(x) \right|_{x=x} + \frac{(\Delta x)^{p+1}}{(p+1)!} \left. \frac{d^{p+1}}{dx^{p+1}} f(\tilde{x}) \right|_{x=x}$$

Brook Taylor (1685 – 1731): English mathematician

Random variables and distributions

The need

Random variables and their distributions provide a basis for developing probabilistic models and describing the behavior of important characteristics of interest (i.e., real data).

Y is a random variable if it is a function that assigns a real numbered value to every possible event in a sample space of interest. Since every possible set of values for a random variable Y corresponds to some event, it has a probability associated with it. A random variable's distribution details the probabilities associated with these sets of values in a meaningful way.

It is a common practice to use an uppercase alphabet to denote the random variable, and the corresponding lowercase alphabet to denote a specific value of this variable. A discrete random variable can assume at most a countable number of values. A continuous random variable can assume an uncountable number of values.

Random variables and distributions

PDF and CDF

The probability distribution function (PDF) of some random variable Y is given below. $P(Y = y_i)$ indicates the probability of the random variable Y taking on a given value, y_i . $F(y_i)$ represents the cumulative distribution function (CDF), and is used to model the behavior of Y .

y_i	$P(Y = y_i)$	$F(y) = P(Y \leq y_i)$
0	0.10	0.10
1	0.30	0.40
2	0.40	0.80
3	0.20	1.00

All random variables must have a cumulative distribution function.

Applicable when

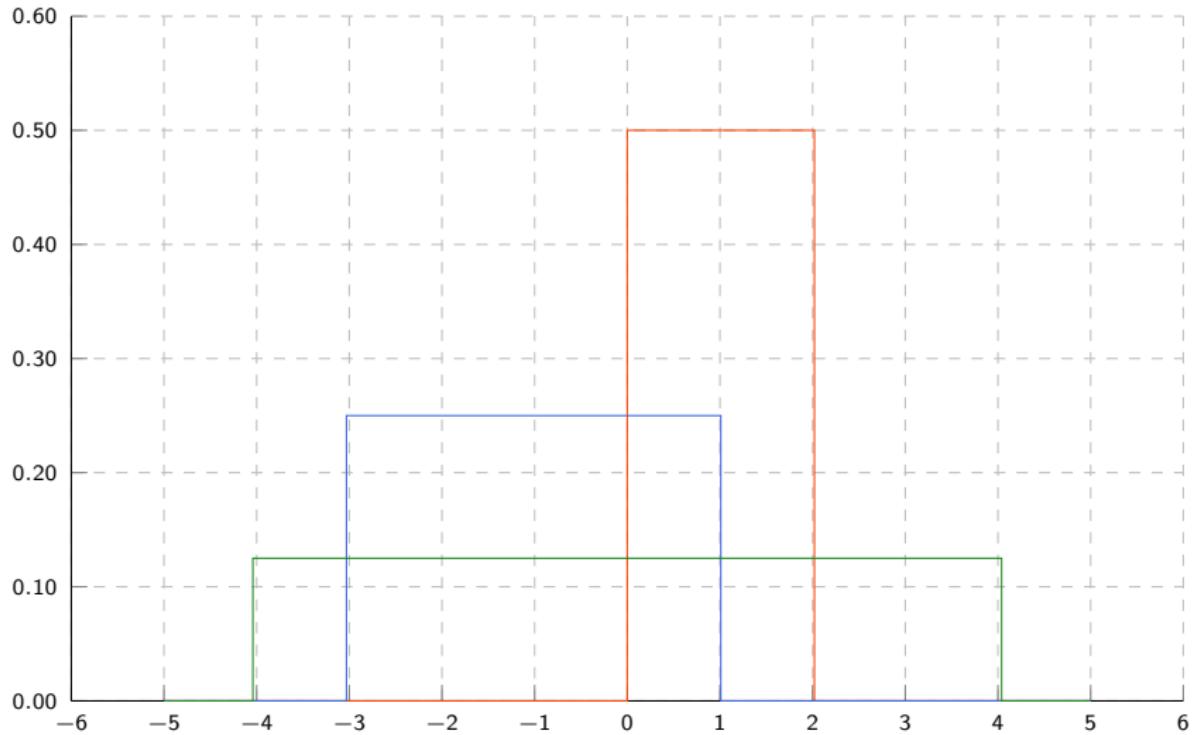
a finite number of values are equally likely to be observed. The probability density function on the interval $[a, b]$ is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < a \\ 1/(b-a) & a \leq x \leq b, \text{ and } -\infty < a < b < \infty \\ 0 & x > b \end{cases}$$

Common example(s)

Throwing a fair die with possible values of 1, 2, ..., 6; each face of the die has a probability of 1/6.

Uniform distribution



Applicable when

a random variable takes the value one with success probability of p and the value zero with a failure probability of $1 - p$. Bernoulli distribution is a special case of the Binomial distribution for $n = 1$.

Common example(s)

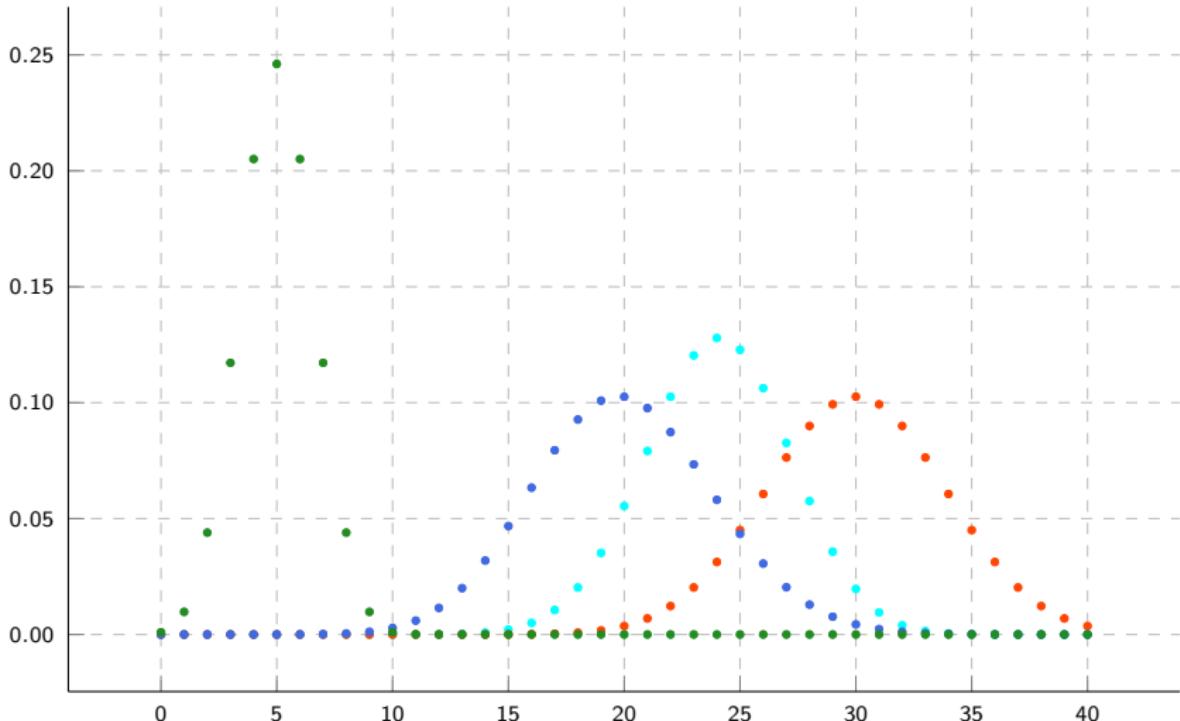
A coin toss where one and zero could be represented by *head* and *tail* respectively. For a fair coin, $p = 0.50$.

Applicable when

a number of successes (e.g., a head or a tail) results in a sequence of n independent success/failure-type experiments, each of which yields success with a probability (or fairness factor) p . The probability of getting exactly x successes in n trials for a specified fairness value, p , is

$$P = \frac{n!}{x! (n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

Binomial distribution



Poisson distribution

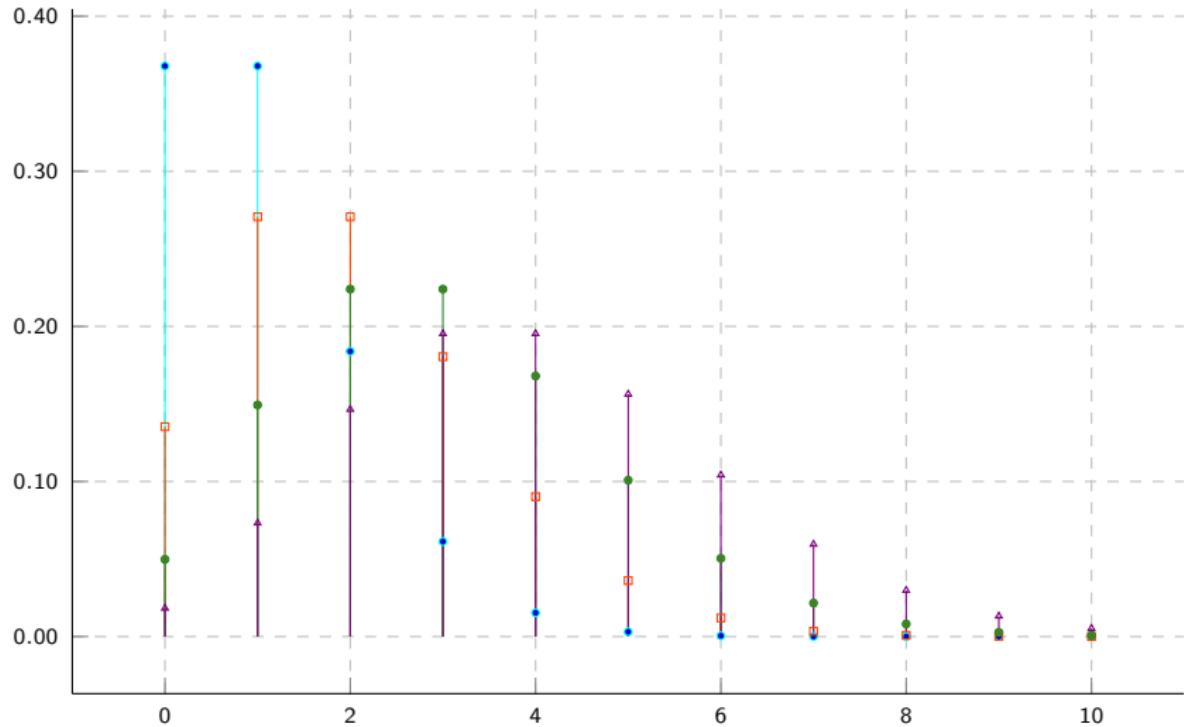
Discrete

Applicable when

a given number of events occur in a fixed interval of time if these events occur with a known average rate, independently of time since the last event, and two of them cannot occur at the same time. The probability of observing m events in an interval with the average number of events in an interval designated by λ is

$$P(m) = \frac{\lambda^m e^{-\lambda}}{m!}$$

Poisson distribution



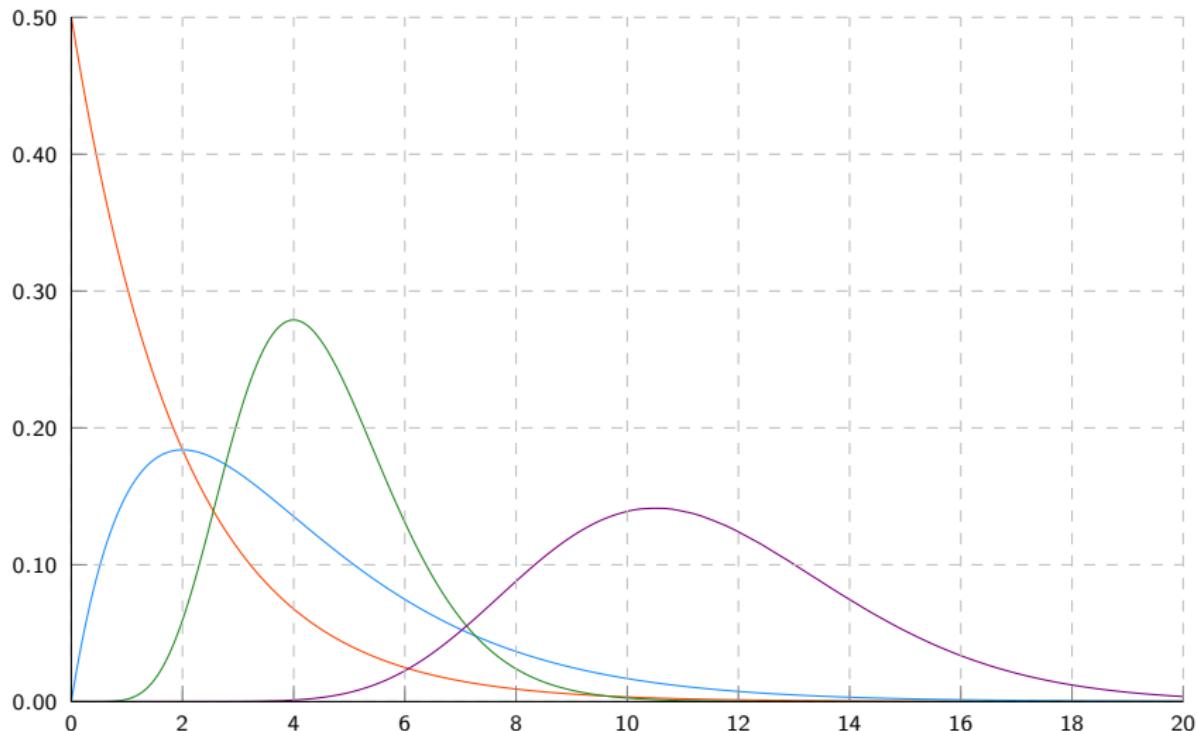
Gamma distribution

Applicable when

the waiting times between Poisson distributed events are relevant. The probability density function with shape parameter α and scale parameter β (inverse of rate parameter) is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha) \beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\beta}\right) \quad x \geq 0, \text{ and } \alpha, \beta > 0$$

Gamma distribution



Normal/Gaussian distribution

Continuous

Applicable as

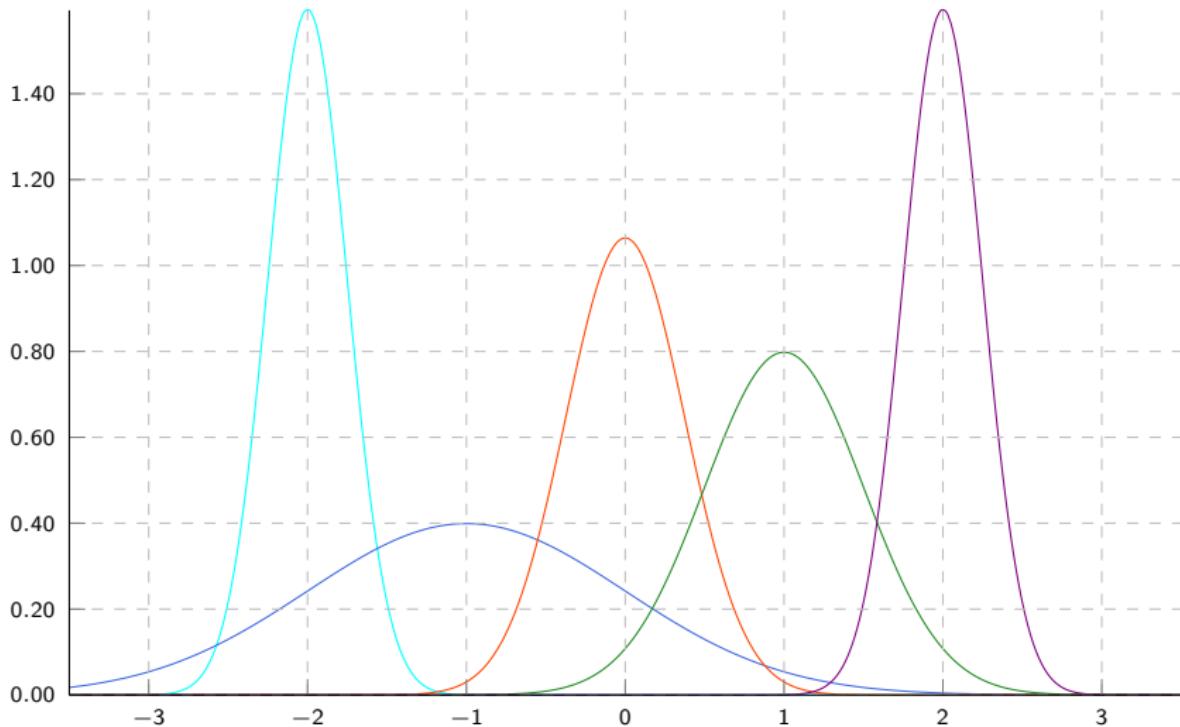
a limiting form of binomial distribution (De Moivre, 1733) and as a plausible distribution for measurement errors (Gauss, 1809). The probability density with mean μ and standard deviation σ is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \quad -\infty < x, \mu < \infty, \text{ and } \sigma > 0$$

Central limit theorem (Laplace)

Under very general conditions when n random variables, whatever their distributions, are added together, the distribution of the sum tends towards the normal (i.e., bell shape) as n increases.

Normal/Gaussian distribution



Butcher tableau

The general form of recursive relation for s -stage Runge-Kutta (RK) method



$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i k_i$$

$$k_1 = f(y_n, t_n)$$

$$k_2 = f(y_n + a_{21} k_1, t_n + c_2 h)$$

$$k_3 = f(y_n + a_{31} k_1 + a_{32} k_2, t_n + c_3 h)$$

$$k_s = f(y_n + a_{s1} k_1 + a_{s2} k_2 + \dots + a_{s,s-1} k_{s-1}, t_n + c_s h)$$

John Charles Butcher (1933 – present): New Zealand mathematician

Butcher tableau

The choice of s (an integer), a_{ij} (the coefficients of $s \times s$ RK matrix), b_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, s$; the weights), c_i ($i = 2, \dots, s$; the nodes), and relationship between a_{ij} and c_i uniquely identifies the s -stage RK method and ensures its consistency.

0	a_{11}	a_{12}	\dots	$a_{1,s-1}$	$a_{1,s}$
c_2	a_{21}	a_{22}	\dots	$a_{2,s-1}$	$a_{2,s}$
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots	\vdots	\vdots
c_s	a_{s1}	a_{s2}	\cdots	$a_{s,s-1}$	$a_{s,s}$
	b_1	b_2	\cdots	b_{s-1}	b_s

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} = c_i \quad i = 2, 3, \dots, s$$

Butcher tableau

Explicit RK2 method

0	0	0
1	1	0
	1/2	1/2

$[a_{ij}]$ needs to be a lower triangular matrix for explicit methods (i.e., $1 \leq j < i \leq s$). Drop the explicit mention of zeros

0	
1	1
	1/2 1/2

Consistency check is satisfied

$$\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} = c_i \quad i = 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a_{21} = c_2$$



Recursive expression for RK2 (i.e., improved Euler) method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \sum_{i=1}^2 b_i k_i$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h b_1 k_1 + h b_2 k_2$$

Use b_i from the Butcher tableau and simplify

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} (k_1 + k_2)$$

Butcher tableau

Explicit RK4 method

0	0	0	0	0
1/2	1/2	0	0	0
1/2	0	1/2	0	0
1	0	0	1	0
	1/6	1/3	1/3	1/6

Drop the explicit mention of zeros along the diagonal and above

0				
1/2	1/2			
1/2	0	1/2		
1	0	0	1	
	1/6	1/3	1/3	1/6

Recursive expression for RK4 method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \sum_{i=1}^4 b_i k_i$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h b_1 k_1 + h b_2 k_2 + h b_3 k_3 + h b_4 k_4$$

Use b_i from the Butcher tableau

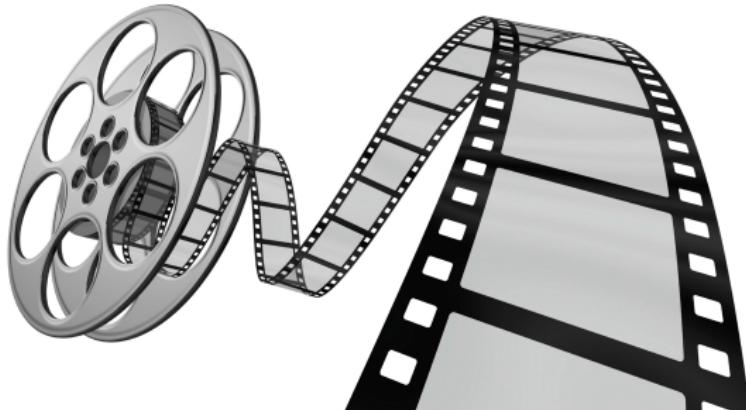
$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6} k_1 + \frac{h}{3} k_2 + \frac{h}{3} k_3 + \frac{h}{6} k_4$$

Simplify

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

Videos

If a picture is worth a thousand words ...

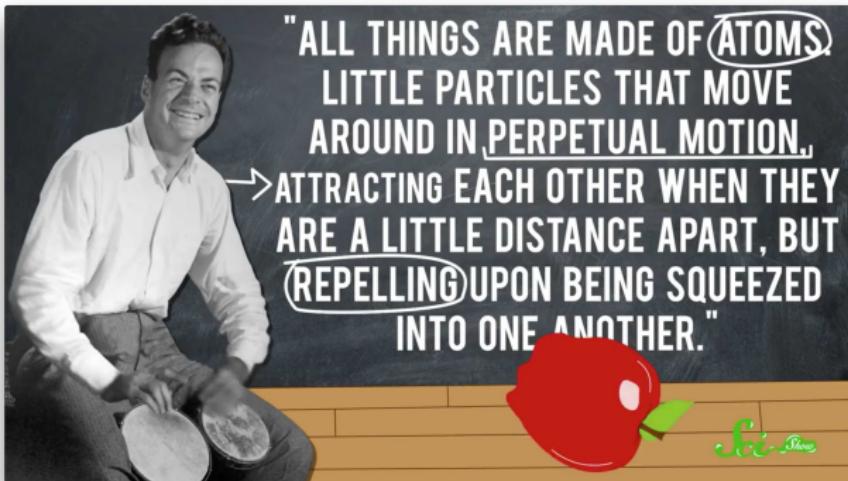


People and Personalities

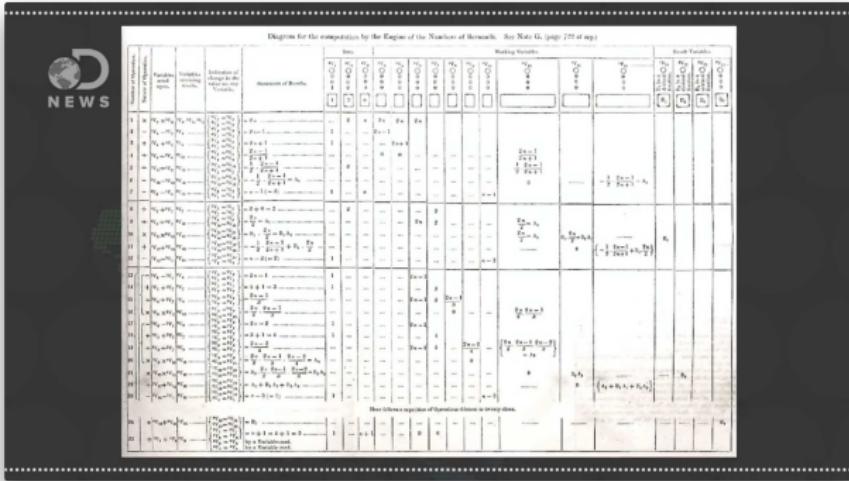


and their stories

Richard Phillips Feynman 1918 – 1988



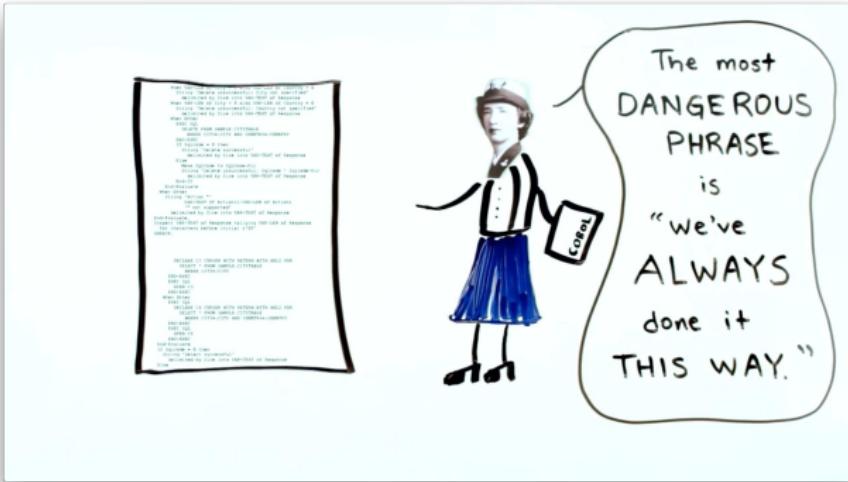
Ada August King, Countess of Lovelace 1815 – 1852



Alan Mathison Turing 1912 – 1954



Grace Brewster Murray Hopper 1906 – 1992



Margaret Heafield Hamilton 1936 – present

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THE HEAD OF THE
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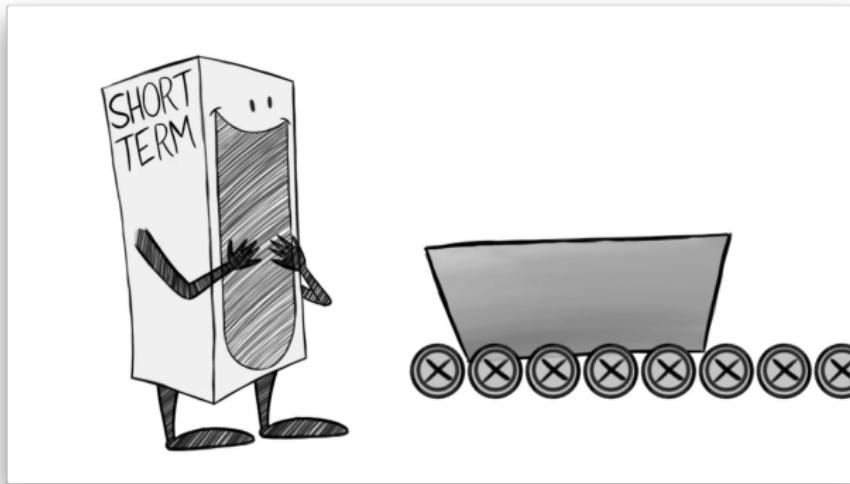
The Art of Writing Software



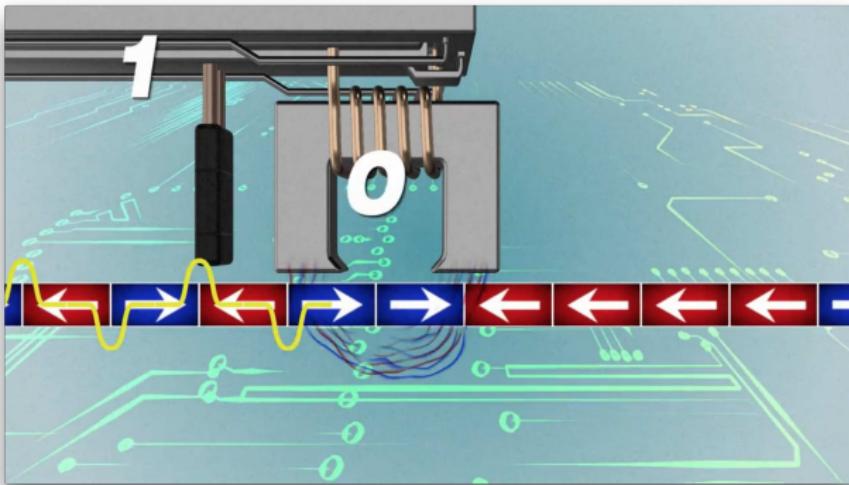
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LESSONS WORTH SHARING

Computer Memory



Hard Drives



Turing Test



Algorithm

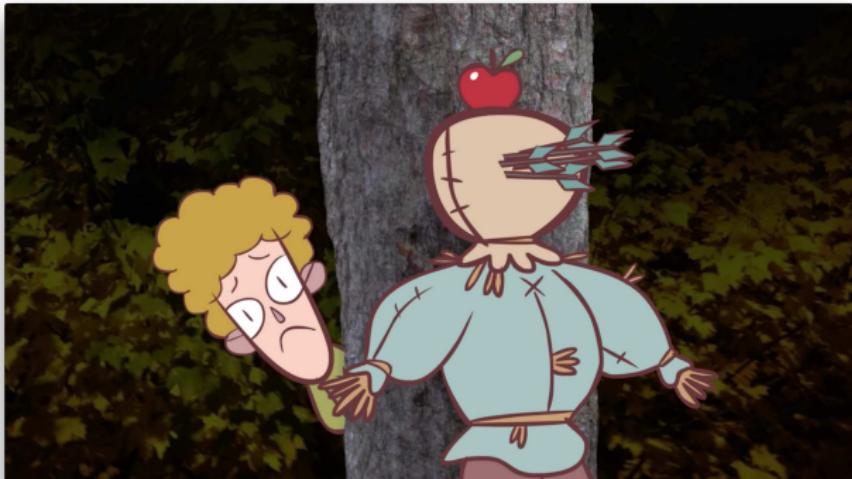
Pseudocode

let **N** = 0

For each person in room

Set **N** = **N** + 1

Accuracy vs Precision



Big Data

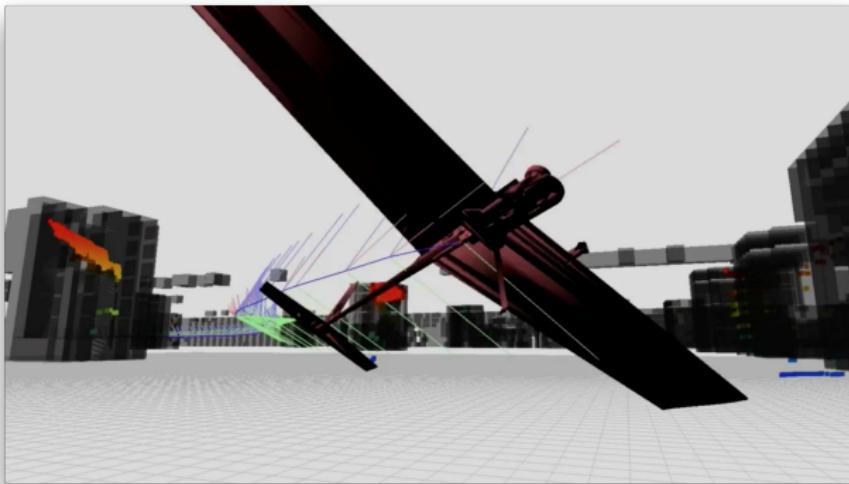




The International Conference for High Performance Computing,
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What is HPC?

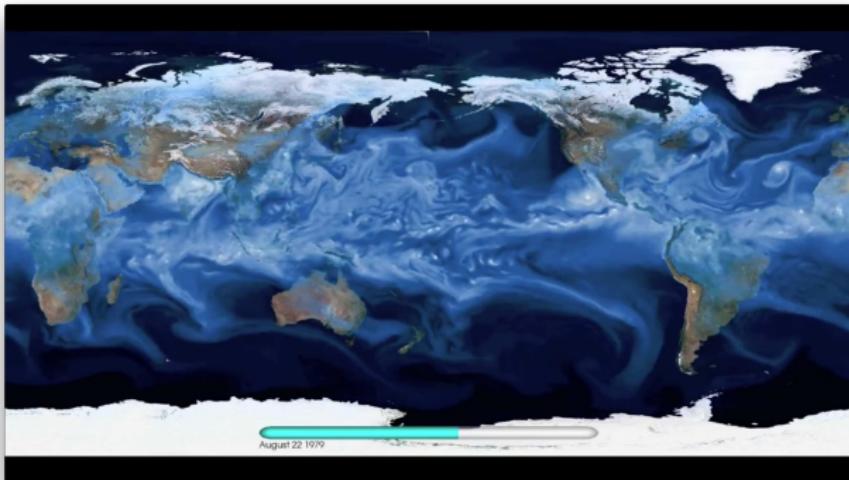
Aerospace



Batteries



Climate modeling



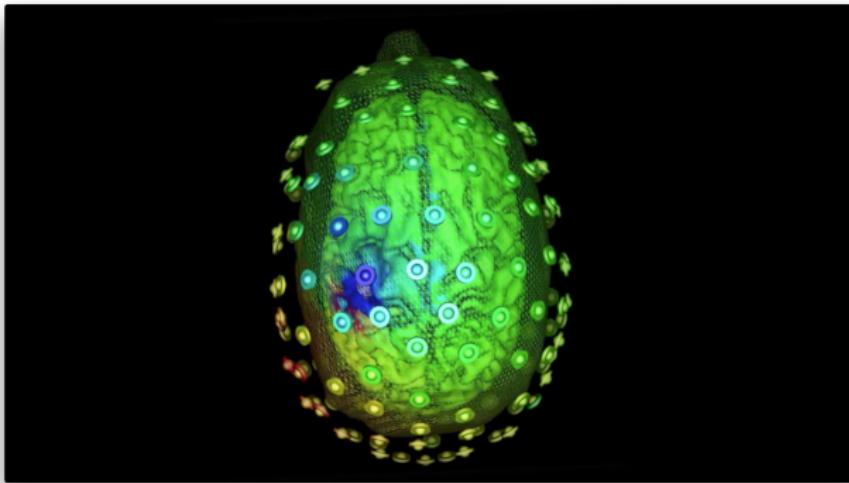
Diapers, detergents, shampoo



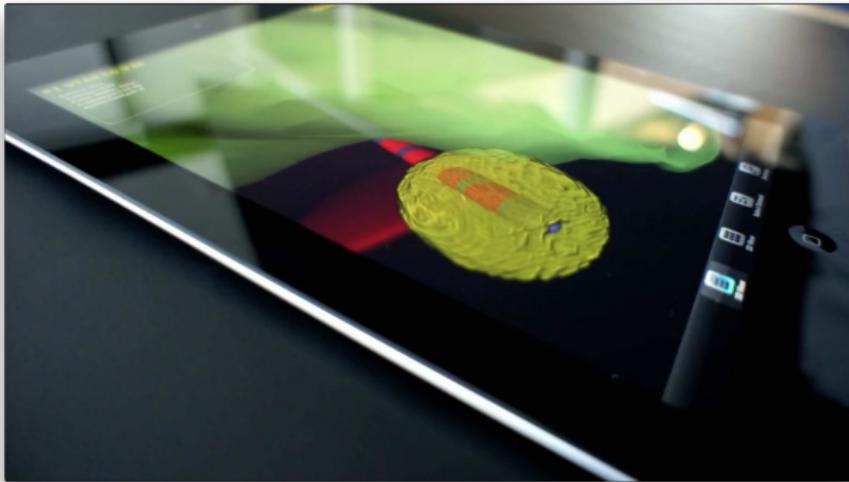
Entertainment



Epilepsy treatments

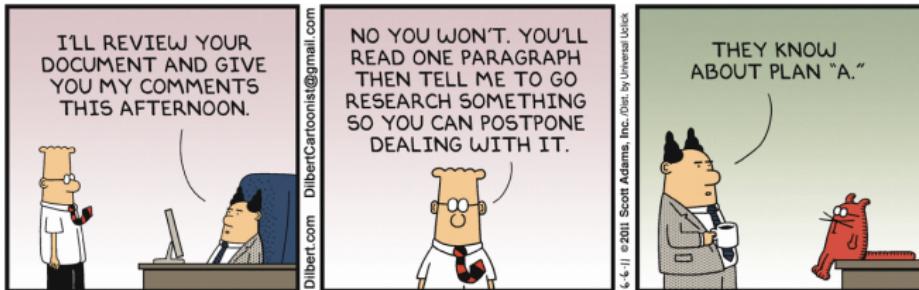


Parkinson's treatments



Review of Performance

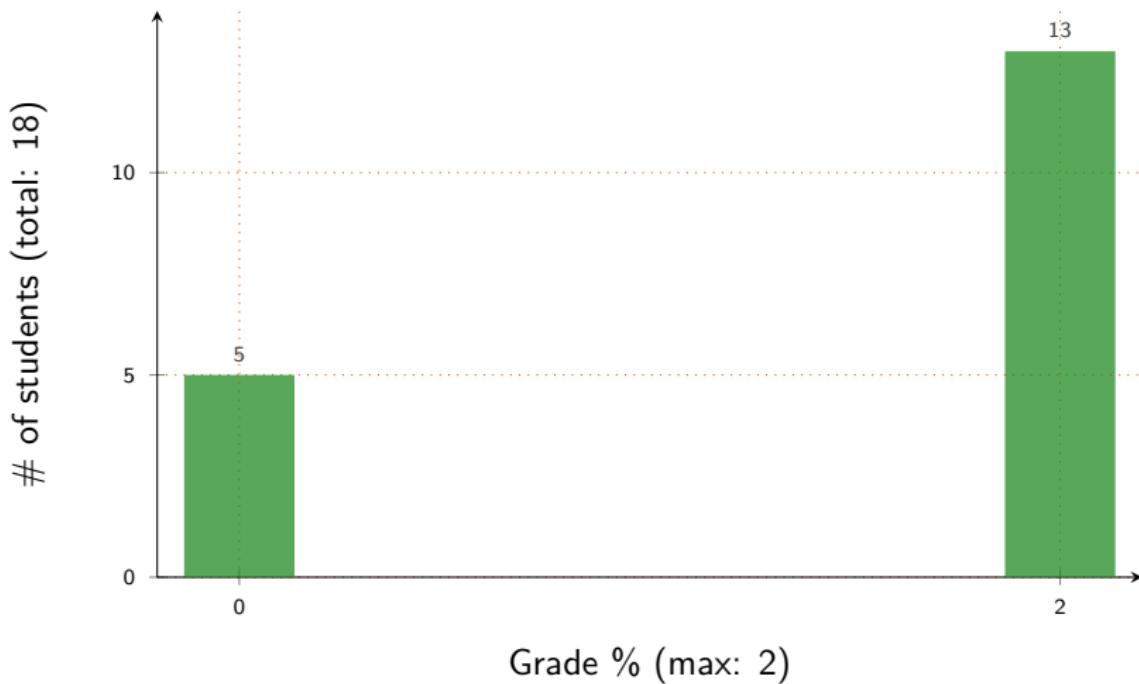
How well have we been performing?



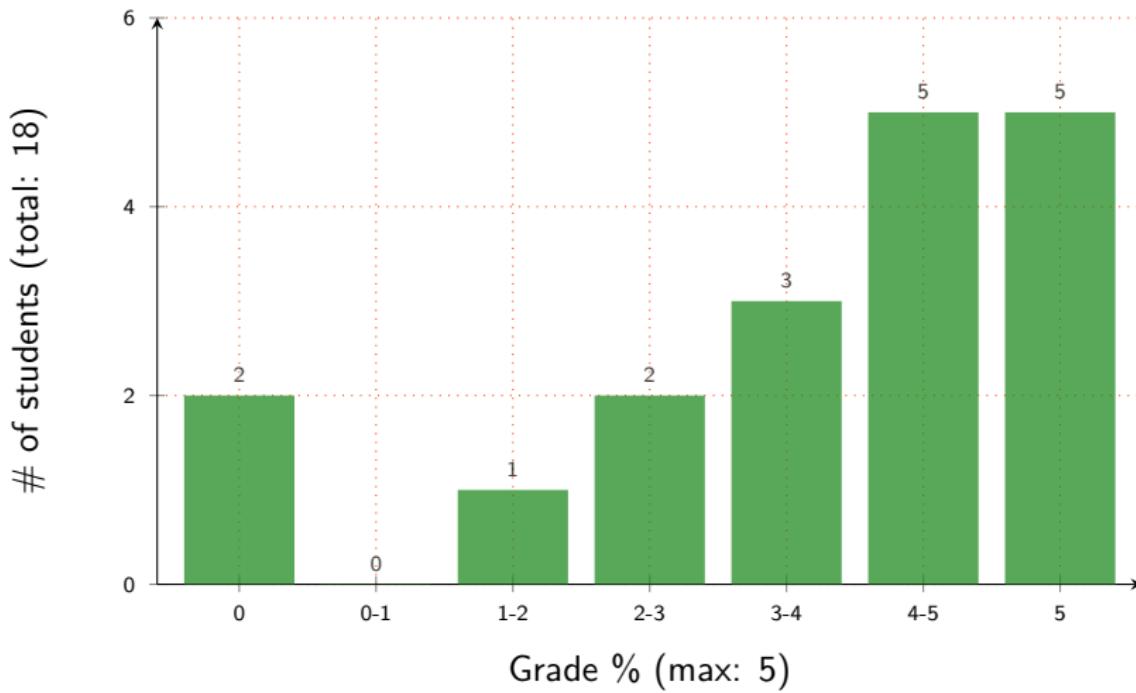
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Active Participation #01

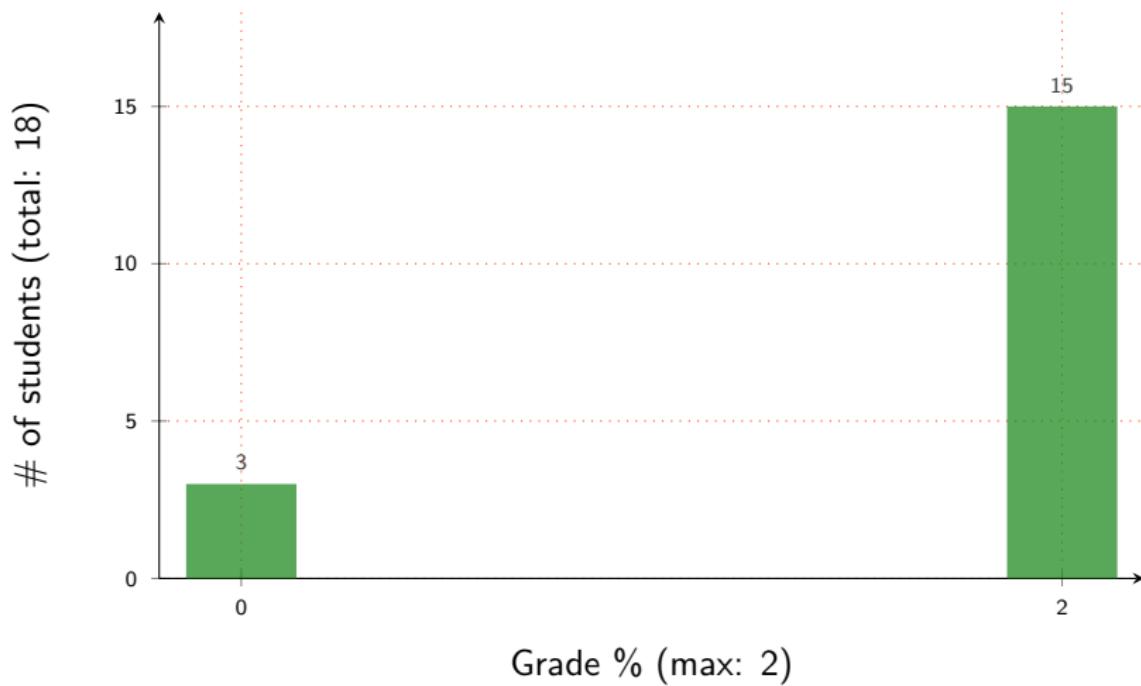
Research Marketing I: Twitter



Assignment #01

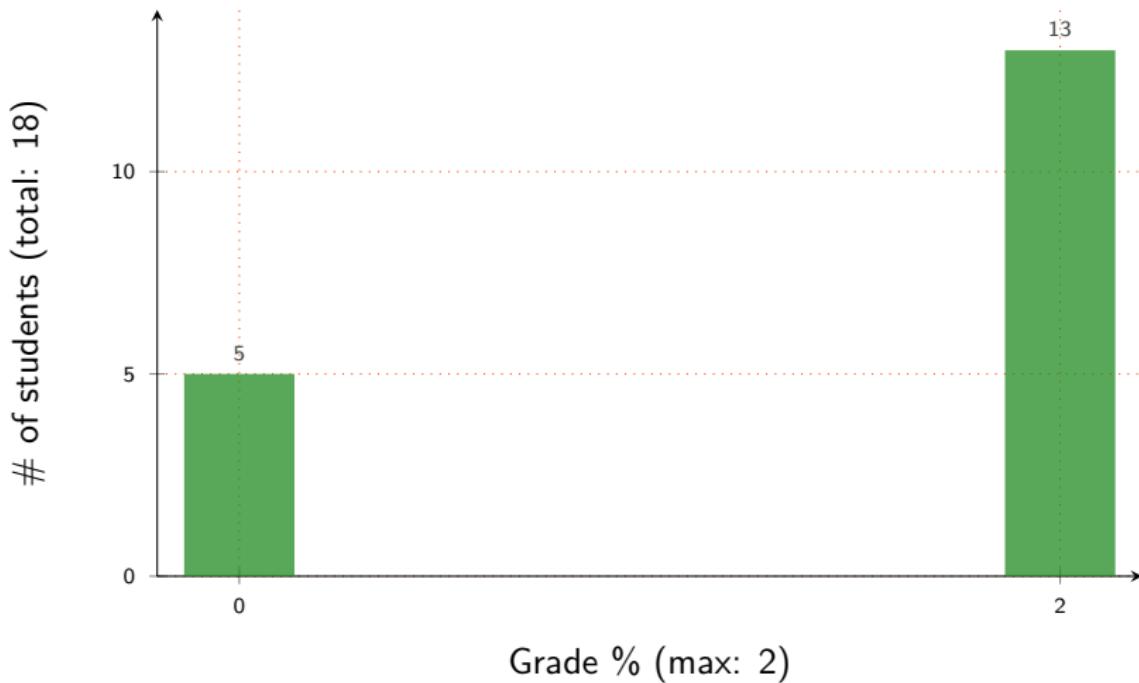


Active Participation #02 PB&J Sandwich Recipe

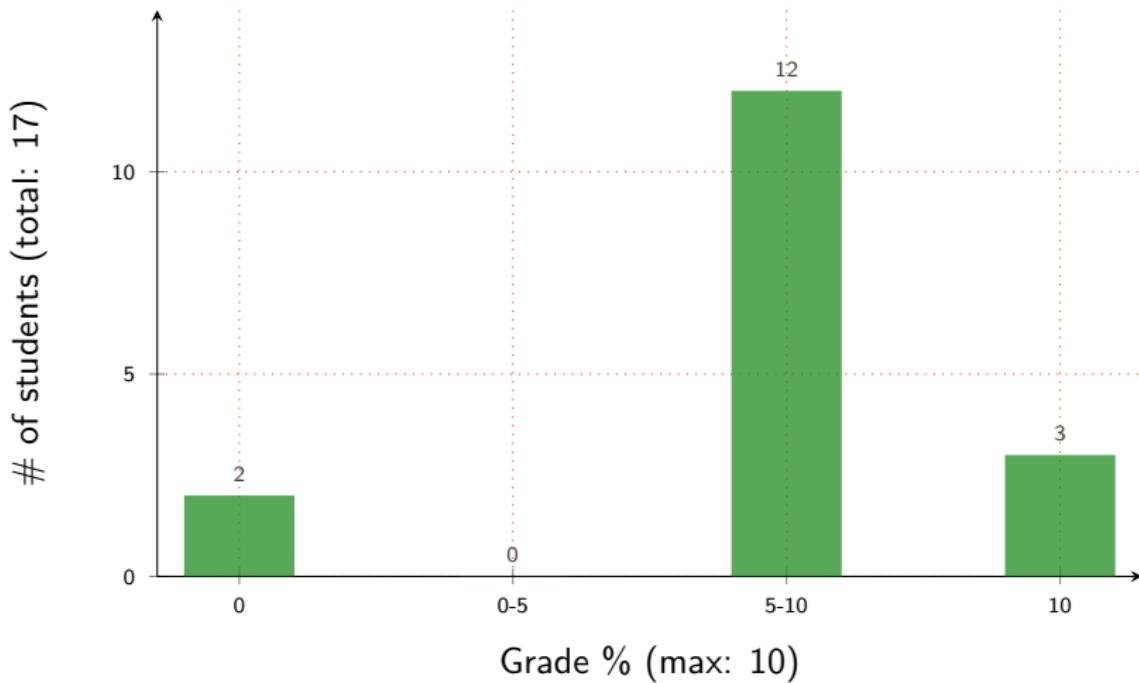


Active Participation #03

Research Marketing II: Professional/University Business Cards



Assignment #04



Superior and Top 500



A proposed compute node in Superior will have two Intel Xeon E5-2698 processors (each processor with 20 cores) at 2.20 GHz, 512 GB RAM, 480 GB Intel Enterprise SSD, Mellanox ConnectX-3 56 Gbps InfiniBand network, and will cost \$13,263.13.

Ignoring the cost of physical space, racks, network, storage, electricity and labor, estimate the cost to build a #500 supercomputer (~405 TFLOPS) with homogeneous compute nodes as the ones described above.

For a computer with N identical/homogeneous processors,

$$\text{FLOPS} = N \times \text{CPU speed} \times \frac{\text{FLOPs}}{\text{CPU cycle}}$$

Celsius \longleftrightarrow Fahrenheit



Convert temperature between Celsius and Fahrenheit scales.

Is there a well-known technique to verify the conversion scheme?

Matrix elements



How many elements in a square matrix of order N ? How will this number change if the matrix is upper (or lower) triangular?

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \dots & b_{1n} \\ 0 & b_{22} & \dots & b_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & b_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

The impact and limitations of Moore's Law



Assuming that Moore's Law holds true, what is the speed up of a computer observed over an average adult's life in the US?

Drawing queens



Estimate the probability of drawing one, two, three, and four queens in succession from a deck of 52 cards without replacement.

Got questions?

If you do, find a way to contact me; and do so sooner than later

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