

1. We build a computer, where the real numbers are represented using 5 digits as explained below:

S	A	B	C	E
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where

- S is the sign bit; 0 for positive and 1 for negative
- A,B,C: First three significant digits in decimal expansion with the decimal point occurring between A and B
- E is the exponent in base 10 with a bias of 5
- All digits after the third significant digit are chopped off
- $+0$ is represented by setting $S = 0$ and $A = 0$ (B,C,E) can be anything
- -0 is represented by setting $S = 1$ and $A = 0$ (B,C,E) can be anything
- $+\infty$ is represented by $S = 0$, $A = B = C = E = 9$
- $-\infty$ is represented by $S = 1$, $A = B = C = E = 9$
- Not A Number is represented by setting S other than 0 and 1.

For example, the number $\pi = 3.14159\dots$ is represented as follows. Chopping off after the third significant digit, we have $\pi = +3.14 \times 10^0$. Hence, the representation of π in our system is:

0	3	1	4	5
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The number -0.001259 is represented as follows. Chopping off after the third significant digit, we have the number as -1.25×10^{-3} . Hence, the representation in our system is:

1	1	2	5	2
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Answer the following questions:

- How many non-zero floating point numbers (from now on abbreviated as FPN) can be represented by our machine (both positive and negative)?
- How many FPNs are in the following intervals?
 - $(9, 10)$
 - $(10, 11)$
 - $(0, 1)$
- Identify the smallest positive and largest positive FPN on this machine.
- Identify the machine precision.
- What is the smallest positive integer not representable exactly on this machine?
- Consider the recurrence:

$$a_{n+1} = 5a_n - 4a_{n-1}$$

with $a_1 = a_2 = 2.93$. Note that a_1 , a_2 , 5 and 4 are exactly represented on our machine. Compute a_n for $n \in \{3, 4, \dots, 10\}$ in our machine (Work out the values by hand). Note that at each step in the recurrence $5a_n$ and $4a_{n-1}$ will be both chopped down to the first three significant digits before the subtraction is performed.

2. Consider the following integral:

$$I_n = \int_0^1 x^{2n} \sin(\pi x) dx$$

- Obtain a recurrence relation for I_n in terms of I_{n-1} . (HINT: Integration by parts).
- Evaluate I_0 .

- Use the recurrence above to obtain I_n for $n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 15\}$ in Python.
- Use the built-in quadrature function in Python to obtain I_n for $n \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 15\}$.
- Explain your observation.
- Rewrite the equations in matrix form, i.e.,

$$Ay = b$$

- Plot the condition number of the matrix A as a function of n .
 - Comment on how the condition number scales with n .
 - Comment on the relationship of the condition number and accuracy of the solution I_n obtained.
3. Show that if the parabolic run-out conditions are used for the cubic spline interpolation, then the interpolating polynomials in the first and last intervals are indeed parabolas.
 4. A slightly easier spline interpolation is the so-called quadratic spline. Interpolation is carried out by piecewise quadratics.
 - What are the suitable joint conditions for quadratic spline?
 - Show how the coefficients of this spline are obtained.
 - What are the suitable end conditions?
 - Compare the required computational efforts for quadratic and cubic spline.
 - Write a Python code for interpolating the Runge function $f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + 25x^2}$ at equi-spaced nodes using a quadratic spline.