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# CSE 13S Spring 2020 Assignment 2: A Small Numerical Library Design Document

#### Purpose

The purpose of this program is to mimic the sine, cosine, tangent, exponent, and logarithmic functions from the <math.h> C library. The program will then compare the outputs from the implemented functions to the library's functions.

## **Planning**

- I will read the Assignment 2 specifications to get a good idea of the subject matter and my task. I will also refer to the supplemental readings outlined at the end of the specifications.
- 2. I will review some Calculus: derivatives and Taylor series.
- 3. Before I start coding, I will draft high level pseudocode for each of the functions.
- 4. I will then start by creating the Makefile so I can compile the program. Meanwhile, I can add the build and clean commands to the README.md file.
- 5. I will then start by implementing command-line options into my main() function by following the Assignment 2 specifications. I won't worry about implementing the Sin(), Cos(), Tan(), Exp(), and Log() functions yet, but I will define them so the program can compile and run.
- 6. Once I get my test harness working, I will begin implementing the Sin() and Cos() functions.
- 7. With the completion of the Sin() and Cos() functions, I can easily implement the Tan() function by taking the ratio of sin and cos.
- 8. The implementation of the Exp() function is more confusing to me than the previous ones. I will have to explore how to use an epsilon value to halt computation.
- 9. To compute log, I will need to use the Newton-Raphson method. This method is new to me, and I will need some time to learn and understand it before implementing it into code. I predict spending the most time on the Log() function. I will also need to use my previously implemented Exp() function.
- 10. After sufficient testing, I will begin creating my WRITEUP.pdf. I plan to provide graphs to better support my discussion of my test results.

#### Pseudocode

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Main:
   o_sin, do_cos, do_tan, do_exp, do_log = false
   while there are options:
        switch:
            case a:
                set all flags to true
                break
            case s:
                do_sin = true
                break
            case c:
                do_cos = true
                break
            case t:
                do_tan = true
                break
            case e:
                do_exp = true
                break
            case 1:
                do_log = true
                break
            default:
                print error
    check flags and run respective functions
Sin(x):
   num = x
   den = 1.0
   term = num / den
    sum = term
   for k = 3; |term| > EPSILON; k += 2:
        num *= x * x * -1
        den *= (k - 1) * k
        term = num / den
        sum += term
   return sum
```

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Cos(x):
   num = 1.0
   den = 1.0
   term = num / den
   sum = term
    for k = 2; |term| > EPSILON; k += 2:
        num *= x * x * -1
        den *= (k - 1) * k
        term = num / den
        sum += term
    return sum
Tan(x):
   return Sin(x)/Cos(x)
Exp(x):
    curr, new, sum = 1.0
   for k = 1.0; |new| > EPSILON; k += 1:
        curr = x / k
        new = new * curr
        sum += new
   return sum
Log(x):
   y = 1.0
   p = Exp(y)
   while |p - x| > EPSILON:
        y += (x - p) / p
        p = Exp(y)
    return y
```

## **Design Process**

- 1. I read the Assignment 2 specifications.
- 2. I reviewed calculus including derivatives and Taylor series.
- 3. Instead of writing pseudocode for all the functions in one go, I decided to only write pseudocode for the main() function first. I will then implement it and repeat the process with the next function, working downwards.
  - a. While working on main(), I referred to section 3 of the Assignment 2 specifications. I ran and studied the provided code to understand the two parameters in the main() function: int argc and char \*\*argv. I also read the

man pages for the getopt() function which will be used to parse the arguments given in the command-line.

- 4. Next, I began writing pseudocode for Sin(), Cos(), and Tan() functions.
  - a. The Sin() and Cos() functions were very similar.
  - b. The Tan() function only requires the ratio of Sin() and Cos().
- 5. Before implementing the Sin(), Cos(), and Tan() functions, I added a print\_header() function to print the header of each function's output. I also defined HEADERFMT and NUMFMT for the functions' output.
- 6. Then I began implementing the Sin(), Cos(), and Tan() functions.
- 7. Afterwards, I wrote the pseudocode for the Exp() and Log() functions.
- 8. I then implemented the Exp() and Log() functions.
- 9. After some testing, I realized I haven't accounted for when cos(x) == 0 in my Tan() function. I decided to test it and the tan() function in the <math.h> library returns a very large number. I decided to mimic it with my Tan() function. I assume this large number is supposed to represent infinity, which would make sense.
- 10. Lastly, I wrote the WRITEUP.pdf and pushed it to my repo.