

Chapter 1 Key Terms & Assignments

Class #1

Section 1.1 Algorithms Read pages 1-16

Note there is a typo (error) in Equation 3 page 3;

it should have the last term as ce^{-kt} , the minus sign is missing.

Exercises for Section 1.1: #2, 3, 4, 6, 15

For 2, 3, 4, 6, use your calculator and record the steps.

For 15 you can use MATLAB routine **bradie_sec1_1_num15.m**

Use command **bradie_sec1_1_num15(Nmax, 5E-3)** where you specify a value for **Nmax**.

In MATLAB type **help bradie_sec1_1_num15** for information.

Key Terms:

Algorithm

Trapezoidal Rule

Absolute Error

Iterative method

Approximation of a square root

In preparation for the next class Read pages 20-27

Class #2

Section 1.2 Convergence, covers Pages 20 - 27;

there are important concepts and terminology in this section.

Exercises for Section 1.2: #1, 2a,b, 3, 6, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17

For 2a, b use Taylor series expression with a few terms.

For 3 determine a table of values for $x = 1, 0.1, 0.01, 0.001$,

keeping as many digits as your calculator permits. Then use Taylor series expressions for the sine functions that appear.

For 6 use the contents of the sentence below the definition that is on Page 23.

For 9 set up a table like the one that appears in Example 1.7.

Exercises 13-15 are important for later theoretical work. You are responsible for reading and understanding the steps in the proofs of these exercises. You will be given the proofs.

You will be assigned one of 16 or 17.

Key Terms:

Rate of Convergence

Big O meaning & notation

Benchmark

Order of convergence

Asymptotic Error Constant

Taylor's Theorem

In preparation for the next class Read pages 30-39

Class #3

Section 1.3 Floating Point Number Systems, covers pages 30 – 39

Make sure you know the definition of roundoff error. Also

read the article by Cleve Moler on Floating Point Numbers and Arithmetic in MATLAB and answer the questions on the accompanying Floating Points sheet.

Exercises for Section 1.3: #1a,b,e, 5, 6a,b, 7, 15, 16, 18

Key Terms:

Discretization/Truncation Error

Roundoff error

Conditioning/ill conditioned

Stability

Absolute error

Relative error

Significant digits

For #1 use your calculator and set up table with headings like the following.

y		$fl(y)$	Chopping error		$fl(y)$	Rounding error	
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For #5 List the type of calculator and use the following: Machine precision with rounding is $0.5 \cdot 10^{-k}$, the smallest number positive number is $(0.1) \cdot 10^m$, and the largest positive number is $(1 - 10^{-k}) \cdot 10^M$.

For #6a, b just determine the number of significant digits in base 10.

For #7 you are told that the values have been rounded to the digits shown. So here you must determine an appropriate interval that contains the value of a parameter. For example in part (a) $P = 0.750$ atm, thus we must consider a range of values ± 0.0005 from the given value $\rightarrow 0.7495 < P < 0.7505$. Do this for each parameter, then set up an interval that contains the desired expression.

For #15 In parts b and c relative change compares with part (a).

For #16 follow the ideas in #17 which will either be done in class or given to you in a handout.

In preparation for the next class Read pages 42 – 50.

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Class #4

Section 1.4 Math on the Computer, covers pages 42 – 50.

In particular Example 1.11 reveals how floating point arithmetic impact solving linear system of equations.

Key Terms:

Floating point arithmetic

Normalized decimal form

Roundoff error

Pitfalls of floating point arithmetic

Exercises for Section 1.4: 1a,b, 2, 3, 7a, 12a,c,d

For #1 follow the ideas in the example below.

For #12 consider using trig identities, properties of logs, etc.

Example: 1c; compute the 4-digit rounding value of $\pi \ln(2) + \sqrt{10} \cos(22^\circ)$.

Step 1. Find the “float values of each value:

$$\text{fl}(\pi) = \text{fl}(3.141592654) = 3.142$$

$$\text{fl}(\ln(2)) = \text{fl}(0.6931471806) = 0.6931$$

$$\text{fl}(\sqrt{10}) = \text{fl}(3.16227766) = 3.162$$

$$\text{fl}(\cos(22^\circ)) = \text{fl}(0.9271838546) = 0.9272$$

Step 2. Compute the products in the floating point system.

$$\text{fl}(3.142 \times 0.6931) = \text{fl}(2.1777202) = 2.178$$

$$\text{fl}(3.162 \times 0.9272) = \text{fl}(2.9318064) = 2.932$$

Step 3. Compute the sum in floating point system.

$$\text{fl}(2.1278 + 2.932) = \text{fl}(5.110) = \mathbf{5.110}$$

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