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LECTURE 3

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# FLOATING POINT REPRESENTATION

- $m * b^e$
- $m$  = the mantissa
- $b$  = base
- $e$  = exponent

$$156.78 = 0.15678 * 10^3$$

# FLOATING POINT PRESENTATION

- MANTISSA normalized {for leading zero digits}
- $1/34 = 0.029411765\dots$
- $0.0294 * 10^0$
- $0.2941 * 10^{-1}$
- ABSOLUTE VALUE OF 'm' IS LIMITED
- $1/b \leq m < 1$

# EXAMPLE

- CREATE A FLOATING-POINT NUMBER SET FOR A MACHINE THAT STORES INFORMATION USING 7-BIT WORDS. USE THE FIRST BIT FOR THE SIGN OF THE NUMBER, THE NEXT THREE FOR SIGN AND MAGNITUDE OF THE EXPONENT, AND THE LAST 3 FOR THE MAGNITUDE OF THE MANTISSA.

# SOLUTION

- 7 bits
- 1: sign of number
- 2: sign of exponent
- 3-4: magnitude of exponent
- 5-7: mantissa

- Consider the smallest possible positive number
- 0 1 1 1 1 0 0       $\{1/b \leq m < 1\}$
- Exponent=-3
- Mantissa= $2^{-1}=0.5$
- $+0.5 * 2^{-3} = 1 * 2^{-1} + 0.0625$

Next number

$$0111101 = (2^{-1} + 2^{-3}) * 2^{-3} = 0.078125$$

- Numbers

0.062500; 0.078125; 0.093750; 0.109375

0.125000; 0.156250; 0.187500; -----

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### Characteristics:

1. Limited range of quantities {underflow/  
overflow}
2. Finite number of quantities {chopping/  
rounding}
3. Interval between numbers increases  
{ $\xi = b^{1-t}$ }

# Arithmetic Manipulations

- $0.1557 \cdot 10^1 + 0.4381 \cdot 10^{-1}$

0.1557       $10^1$

0.004381     $10^1$

0.160081     $10^1$

0.1600       $10^1$



# Home work

- Addition of large and small number
- Subtraction
- Multiplication
- Division

Problems: 3.7 and 3.11 {pages 76 and 77}

# Truncation errors

- Taylor Series

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + f''(x)h^2/2! + \dots$$

# Taylor series approximation of a polynomial

- Use zero -4<sup>th</sup> order Taylor series expansion to approximate

$$f(x) = -0.1x^4 - 0.15x^3 - 0.5x^2 - 0.25x + 1.2$$

Use  $x = 0$  to  $1$

Solution

$$f(0) = 1.2; f(1) = 0.2$$

By Taylor Series,

$$f(1) = 1.2; 0.95; 0.45; 0.2$$

# Differentiation

- Taylor Series

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + \frac{f''(x)h^2}{2!} + \dots$$

- $f'(x) = \{f(x+h) - f(x)\} / h - O(h)$

- Forward finite difference
- Backward finite difference
- Central finite difference

# Error propagation

- $f(x)$
- $x$  is with error
- How it affects  $f(x)$
  
- If  $x$  is with error  $\Delta x$ , what is the error associated with  $f(x)$

- Taylor Series

$$f(x+\Delta x)=f(x)+f'(x)\Delta x+f''(x)\Delta x^2/2!+\dots$$

$$\text{Error in the function} =f(x+\Delta x)-f(x)$$

$$=f'(x)\Delta x+f''(x)\Delta x^2/2!+\dots$$

$$\Delta f \cong f'(x)\Delta x$$

Multi-variable function  $g(x, y, z)$

$$\Delta g \cong \delta g/\delta x * \Delta x + \delta g/\delta y * \Delta y + \delta g/\delta z * \Delta z$$

# Example

- The deflection  $y$  of the top of a sailboat mast is  $y = FL^4/(8EI)$

$F$  = uniform side loading;  $L$  = height;  $E$  = modulus of elasticity;  $I$  = moment of inertia. Estimate the error in  $y$  given the following data.

$F=750$  error $F=30$

$L=9$  error $L=0.03$

$E=7.5 \cdot 10^9$  error $E=5 \cdot 10^7$

$I=0.0005$  error $I=0.000005$