

 1 *Non associativity in the presence of round-off.*

Solution: *This is done in a class demo and the diary should be posted. Here are the commands.*

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n = 10000;  
a = randn(n,1); b = randn(n,1); c = randn(n,1);  
t = ((a+b)+c == a+(b+c));  
sum(t)
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Right-hand side in 3rd line returns 1 for each instance when the two numbers are the same.

 2 *Find machine epsilon in matlab.*

Solution:

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u = 1;
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for i=0:999
    fprintf(1,' i = %d , u = %e \n',i,u)
    if (1.0 +u == 1.0) break, end
    u = u/2;
end
u = u*2

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4 *Proof of Lemma: If $|\delta_i| \leq \underline{u}$ and $n\underline{u} < 1$ then*

$$\prod_{i=1}^n (1 + \delta_i) = 1 + \theta_n \quad \text{where} \quad |\theta_n| \leq \frac{n\underline{u}}{1 - n\underline{u}}$$

Solution:

The proof is by induction on n .

1) Basis of induction. When $n = 1$ then the product reduces to $1 + \delta_i$ and so we can take

$\theta_n = \delta_n$ and we know that $|\delta_n| \leq \underline{u}$ from the assumptions and so

$$|\theta_n| \leq \underline{u} \leq \frac{\underline{u}}{1 - \underline{u}},$$

as desired.

2) *Induction step.* Assume now that the result as stated is true for n and consider a product with $n + 1$ terms: $\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (1 + \delta_i)$. We can write this as $(1 + \delta_{n+1})\prod_{i=1}^n (1 + \delta_i)$ and from the induction hypothesis we get:

$$\prod_{i=1}^{n+1} (1 + \delta_i) = (1 + \theta_n)(1 + \delta_{n+1}) = 1 + \theta_n + \delta_{n+1} + \theta_n \delta_{n+1}$$

with θ_n satisfying the inequality $\theta_n \leq (n\underline{u})/(1 - n\underline{u})$. We call θ_{n+1} the quantity $\theta_{n+1} = \theta_n + \delta_{n+1} + \theta_n \delta_{n+1}$, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\theta_{n+1}| &= |\theta_n + \delta_{n+1} + \theta_n \delta_{n+1}| \\ &\leq \frac{n\underline{u}}{1 - n\underline{u}} + \underline{u} + \frac{n\underline{u}}{1 - n\underline{u}} \times \underline{u} = \frac{n\underline{u} + \underline{u}(1 - n\underline{u}) + n\underline{u}^2}{1 - n\underline{u}} = \frac{(n + 1)\underline{u}}{1 - n\underline{u}} \\ &\leq \frac{(n + 1)\underline{u}}{1 - (n + 1)\underline{u}} \end{aligned}$$

This establishes the result with n replaced by $n + 1$ as wanted and completes the proof. \square

5 Assume you use single precision for which you have $\underline{u} = 2. \times 10^{-6}$. What is the largest n for which $n\underline{u} \leq 0.01$ holds? Any conclusions for the use of single precision arithmetic?

Solution: We need $n \leq 0.01 / (2.0 \times 10^{-4})$ which gives $n \leq 5,000$. Hence, single precision is inadequate for computations involving long inner products.

6 What does the main result on inner products imply for the case when $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}$? [Contrast the relative accuracy you get in this case vs. the general case when $\mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{x}$] \square

Solution: In this case we have

$$|fl(x^T x) - (x^T x)| \leq \gamma_n x^T x$$

which implies that we will always have a small relative error. Not true for the general case because

➤ This leads to the final result (forward form)

$$|fl(\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}) - (\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x})| \leq \gamma_n |\mathbf{y}|^T |\mathbf{x}|$$

does not imply a small relative error which would mean $|fl(y^T x) - (y^T x)| \leq \epsilon |y^T x|$ where ϵ is small. \square

 7 Show for any x, y , there exist $\Delta x, \Delta y$ such that

$$fl(x^T y) = (x + \Delta x)^T y, \quad \text{with } |\Delta x| \leq \gamma_n |x|$$


$$fl(x^T y) = x^T (y + \Delta y), \quad \text{with } |\Delta y| \leq \gamma_n |y|$$

Solution:

The main result we proved is that

$$fl(y^T x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i (1 + \theta_i) \quad \text{where } |\theta_i| \leq \gamma_n$$

The first relation comes from just attaching each $(1 + \theta_i)$ to x_i so x_i is replaced by $x_i + \theta_i x_i$... Similarly for the second relation. \square

 8 (Continuation) Let A an $m \times n$ matrix, x an n -vector, and $y = Ax$. Show that there

exist a matrix ΔA such

$$fl(\mathbf{y}) = (\mathbf{A} + \Delta \mathbf{A})\mathbf{x}, \quad \text{with} \quad |\Delta \mathbf{A}| \leq \gamma_n |\mathbf{A}|$$

Solution: The result comes from applying the result on inner products to each entry y_i of \mathbf{y} – which is the inner product of row i with \mathbf{y} . We use the first of the two results above:

$$fl(y_i) = (\mathbf{a}_{i,:} + \Delta \mathbf{a}_{i,:})^T \mathbf{y} \quad \text{with} \quad |\Delta \mathbf{a}_{i,:}| \leq \gamma_n |\mathbf{a}_{i,:}|$$

the result follows from expressing this in matrix form. \square

9 (Continuation) From the above derive a result about a column of the product of two matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} . Does a similar result hold for the product \mathbf{AB} as a whole?

Solution: We can have a result each column since this is just a matrix-vector product. How this does not translate into a result for \mathbf{AB} because the $\Delta \mathbf{A}$ we get for each column will depend on the column. Specifically, for the j -th column of \mathbf{B} you will have a certain matrix $(\Delta \mathbf{A})_j$ such that $fl(\mathbf{AB}(:, j)) = (\mathbf{A} + (\Delta \mathbf{A})_j)\mathbf{B}(:, j)$ with certain conditions as set in previous exercise. However this $(\Delta \mathbf{A})_j$ is **NOT** the same matrix for each column. So you cannot say

$$f(A) = (A + \Delta A)B, \dots \square$$