

Chapter 1, Section 1: Homework:

pp. 8-9, #3-5, 8, 11, 18, 20

3. Calculate the absolute error in approximating p by \tilde{p} .

- (a) $p = 123; \tilde{p} = \frac{1106}{9}$ [S]
(b) $p = \frac{1}{e}; \tilde{p} = .3666$
3. (c) $p = 2^{10}; \tilde{p} = 1000$ [S]
(d) $p = 24; \tilde{p} = 48$
(e) $p = \pi^{-7}; \tilde{p} = 10^{-4}$ [S]
(f) $p = (0.062847)(0.069234); \tilde{p} = 0.0042$

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In[525]:= absError[p_, ptilde_] := N[Abs[p - ptilde]]
```

```
In[526]:= absError[123, 1106/9]
absError[1/E, .3666]
absError[2^10, 1000]
absError[24, 48]
absError[Pi^-7, 10^-4]
absError[(0.062847) (0.069234), 0.0042]
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Out[526]= 0.111111
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Out[527]= 0.00127944
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Out[528]= 24.
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Out[529]= 24.
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Out[530]= 0.000231094
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Out[531]= 0.000151149
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4. Calculate the relative errors in the approximations of question 3.

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In[532]:= relError[p_, ptilde_] := N[Abs[p - ptilde] / Abs[p]]
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In[533]:= relError[123, 1106/9]
relError[1/E, .3666]
relError[2^10, 1000]
relError[24, 48]
relError[Pi^(-7), 10^(-4)]
relError[(0.062847) (0.069234), 0.0042]

Out[533]= 0.000903342

Out[534]= 0.00347788

Out[535]= 0.0234375

Out[536]= 1.

Out[537]= 0.697971

Out[538]= 0.0347378
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5. How many significant digits of accuracy do the approximations of question 3 have?

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In[539]:= sigDigits[p_, ptilde_]:= N[-Log10[relError[p, ptilde]]]

In[540]:= sigDigits[123, 1106/9]
sigDigits[1/E, .3666]
sigDigits[2^10, 1000]
sigDigits[24, 48]
sigDigits[Pi^(-7), 10^(-4)]
sigDigits[(0.062847) (0.069234), 0.0042]

Out[540]= 3.04415

Out[541]= 2.45869

Out[542]= 1.63009

Out[543]= 0.

Out[544]= 0.156163

Out[545]= 1.4592
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8. The number in question 7 is an approximation of $1/\pi$. Using Octave, find the absolute and relative errors in the approximation.

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In[546]:= absError[1103 Sqrt[8] / 9801, 1 / Pi]
relError[1103 Sqrt[8] / 9801, 1 / Pi]
sigDigits[1103 Sqrt[8] / 9801, 1 / Pi]

N[1103 Sqrt[8] / 9801, 20]
N[1 / Pi, 20]
Out[546]= 7.74332 × 10-9
Out[547]= 2.43264 × 10-8
Out[548]= 7.61392
Out[549]= 0.31830987844047012322
Out[550]= 0.31830988618379067154
```

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- 11.**  All of these equations are mathematically true. Nonetheless, floating point error causes some of them to be false according to Octave. Which ones? HINT: Use the boolean operator `==` to check. For example, to check if $\sin(0) = 0$, type `sin(0)==0` into Octave. `ans=1` means true (the two sides are equal according to Octave—no round-off error) and `ans=0` means false (the two sides are not equal according to Octave—round-off error).

11.

- (a) $(2)(12) = 9^2 - 4(9) - 21$
- (b) $e^{3 \ln(2)} = 8$
- (c) $\ln(10) = \ln(5) + \ln(2)$
- (d) $g\left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ where $g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^2 + x}$
- (e) $\lfloor 153465/3 \rfloor = 153465/3$
- (f) $3\pi^3 + 7\pi^2 - 2\pi + 8 = ((3\pi + 7)\pi - 2)\pi + 8$

```
In[551]:= 2 * 12 == 9^2 - 4 * 9 - 21
E^(3 Log[2]) == 8
Log[10] == Log[5] + Log[2]

g[x_] := CubeRoot[x^2 + x];
g[(1 + Sqrt[5])/2] == (1 + Sqrt[5])/2
EqualTo[g[(1 + Sqrt[5])/2]][(1 + Sqrt[5])/2]

Floor[153465/3] == 153465/3
3 Pi^3 + 7 Pi^2 - 2 Pi + 8 == ((3 Pi + 7) Pi - 2) Pi + 8
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Out[551]= True

Out[552]= True

Out[553]= True

$$\text{Out}[555]= \left(\frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{5}) + \frac{1}{4} (1 + \sqrt{5})^2 \right)^{1/3} == \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{5})$$

$$\text{Out}[556]= \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{5}) == \left(\frac{1}{2} (1 + \sqrt{5}) + \frac{1}{4} (1 + \sqrt{5})^2 \right)^{1/3}$$

Out[557]= True

Out[558]= True

```
2*12 == 9^2 - 4*9 - 21
e^(3*log(2)) == 8
log(10) == log(5) + log(2)
```

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g = @(x) (x^2 + x)^(1/3)
g((1 + sqrt(5))/2) == (1 + sqrt(5))/2
```

```
floor(153465/3) == 153465/3
3*pi^3 + 7*pi^2 - 2*pi + 8 == ((3*pi + 7)*pi - 2)*pi + 8
```

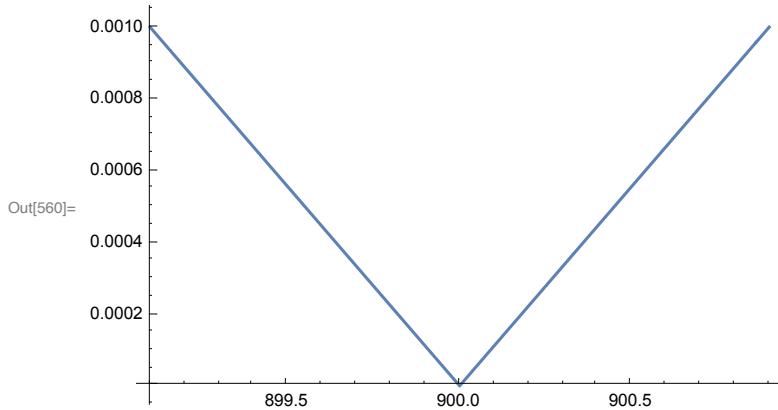
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octave:4> source("hw1_1.m")
ans = 1
ans = 0
ans = 0
g =
@(x) (x ^ 2 + x) ^ (1 / 3)

ans = 1
ans = 1
ans = 0
```

- 18.** Suppose \tilde{p} must approximate p with relative error at most 10^{-3} . Find the largest interval in which \tilde{p} must lie if $p = 900$.

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In[559]:= {p0, p1} = pstar /. Solve[relError[900, pstar] == 10^(-3), pstar]
Plot[relError[900, pstar], {pstar, p0, p1}]
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Out[559]= {899.1, 900.9}



- 20.** The golden ratio, $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$, is found in nature and in mathematics in a variety of places. For example, if F_n is the n^{th} Fibonacci number, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{F_{n+1}}{F_n} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Therefore, F_{11}/F_{10} may be used as an approximation of the golden ratio. Find the relative error in this approximation. HINT: The Fibonacci sequence is defined by $F_0 = 1$, $F_1 = 1$, $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ for $n \geq 2$.

Note: Mathematica (and a lot of others, including I) define $\text{Fibonacci}[0]$ as 0 (we're offset from this sequence by one place).

```
In[561]:= Fibonacci[0]
f11 = Fibonacci[12]
f10 = Fibonacci[11]
NumberForm[N[GoldenRatio, 30], 30]
relError[f11 / f10, GoldenRatio]
NumberForm[N[Fibonacci[110] / Fibonacci[109], 30], 30]

Out[561]= 0
Out[562]= 144
Out[563]= 89
Out[564]//NumberForm=
1.61803398874989484820458683437
Out[565]= 0.0000348958
Out[566]//NumberForm=
1.61803398874989484820458683437
```