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Homework #2: Solutions

$$2.22b \quad 0.125 = 2^{-3} \Rightarrow b_1 = 0$$

$$(b_2 \dots b_9)_2 - 127 = -3$$

$$(b_{10} \dots b_{32})_2 = 0.$$

$$(b_2 \dots b_9)_2 = 124 \Rightarrow (b_2 \dots b_9)_2 = (01111100)_2.$$

$$(0.125)_{10} = (0 \underbrace{01111100}_{\text{Mantissa}} \underbrace{00 \dots 0}_{\text{Exponent}})_{\text{Mantissa-Exponent}}.$$

$$-0.125 = -1 \cdot 2^{-3} \Rightarrow b_1 = \text{1}.$$

$$(-0.125)_{10} = (1 \underbrace{01111100}_{\text{Mantissa}} \underbrace{00 \dots 0}_{\text{Exponent}})_{\text{Mantissa-Exponent}}$$

$$2.3.3 \quad e^x - e = e(e^{x-1} - 1) = e \left[\left(1 + (x-1) + \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3!} + \text{etc till enough precision} \right) - 1 \right] =$$

$$= e \left[x-1 + \frac{(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x-1)^3}{3!} + \dots \right].$$

When to use Taylor approximation? By theorem on loss of precision, restrict loss of significant digits by $p=1$.

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq 1 - \frac{e^x}{e} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$e^{x-1} \leq \frac{1}{2} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$x-1 \leq \ln \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$2.3.7 \quad y = \frac{1}{x} (\sinh x - \tanh x). \quad \text{Matt.}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x} \cdot \sinh x \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{\cosh x} \right). \quad \text{Multiplies by "adjoint" term:}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{x} \cdot \sinh x \cdot \left(1 - \frac{1}{\cosh x} \right) \cdot \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{\cosh x} \right)}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{\cosh x} \right)} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{x} \sinh x \cdot \frac{1 - \frac{1}{\cosh^2 x}}{1 + \frac{1}{\cosh x}} = \frac{\sinh x}{x \left(1 + \frac{1}{\cosh x} \right)} \cdot \frac{\cosh^2 x - 1}{\cosh^2 x} =$$

$$= \frac{\sinh^3 x}{x (\cosh^2 x + \cosh x)}.$$

2.3.11 $f(x) = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$. When x is negative,

$\sqrt{x^2 + 1} \sim -x$, therefore cancellation may occur.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \ln \left((x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) \cdot \frac{-x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{-x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) = \ln \left(\frac{x^2 + 1 - x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x} \right) \\ &= \ln \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x} = \ln \left[(\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x)^{-1} \right] = -\ln(\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x). \end{aligned}$$

These identities are good for all x but we're going to use them, when $x < 0$, since $\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - x$ will actually be addition of positive numbers.

$$5h. (01111011)_2 = 123; \quad 123 - 127 = -4$$

$$(1.10011001100110011001100)_2 \cdot 2^{-4} =$$

$$= (0.000110011001100110011001100)_2 =$$

$$\rightarrow (0.063146314)_8 =$$

$$= 8^{-9} \cdot (63146314)_8 = 13421772 / 134217728 =$$

$$\approx 0.09999999403954_{10}.$$

$$5e. (00000001 \ 0..0)_2 = (-1)^0 \cdot 2^{1-127} \times (1, 0..0) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^{126}}$$

$$5b. (1 \ 00000000 \ 0..0) = \text{reserved for } (-0).$$

2.3.1 When x is small, $\sqrt{x+4} \sim 2$, therefore the subtraction may cause loss of significance. To avoid it, we rationalize the numerator:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+4} - 2 = (\sqrt{x+4} - 2) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+4} + 2}{\sqrt{x+4} + 2} =$$

$$= \frac{(x+4) - 4}{\sqrt{x+4} + 2} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x+4} + 2}. \text{ No more subtraction!}$$