Test 1

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(4) 1. Describe *swamping* in floating point arithmetic.

(4) 2. Describe *digit cancellation* (cancellation) in floating point arithmetic.

- (12) 3. Let a = 0.0123401 and b = 1234.51. Using 3 decimal digit rounding arithmetic, answer the following:
  - (a) What is the value of  $\bar{a} = fl(a)$ ?
  - (b) What is the value of  $\bar{b} = fl(b)$ ?
  - (c) Give the relative error in  $\bar{b}$  (you can round to 2 significant digits).
  - (d) What would this (3 decimal digit) computer return when evaluating c = (a + b) b?
- (4) 4. How is the unit round-off,  $\mu$ , related to the distance between neighboring floats?

(4) 5. Describe the differences, if any, between  $\mu$  and the smallest positive floating point number.

(4) 6. State the fundamental axiom of floating point arithmetic (don't forget the hypotheses).

(4) 7. Describe what we mean by a *backward stable computation*.

(9) 8. Let  $x = (2, -4, 3)^T$ . Compute  $||x||_1$ ,  $||x||_2$ , and  $||x||_{\infty}$ .

(9) 9. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 \\ -5 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
. Compute  $||A||_1$ ,  $||A||_{\infty}$ , and  $||A||_F$ .

(22) 10. Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -4 & -9 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
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(a) Give L and U from the A = LU (no pivoting) factorization of A.

(b) Explain how a |small| pivot element,  $a_{kk}^{(k-1)}$ , adversely effects the Gaussian elimination process.

(c) Explain how row pivoting effects the multipliers (include any bounds on  $|m_{i,j}|$  associated with pivoting).

(8) 11. Solve Ax = b, given PA = LU and

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and } b = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(8) 12. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . How many flops are required to... (you need only give the leading term and you don't need to derive/prove)

(a) compute the LU factorization (Gaussian elimination) of A?

(b) solve Ly = b?

(8) 13. If A is n × n and u and v are n × 1, then how many flops are required to compute:
(a) (uv<sup>T</sup>)A?

(b)  $u(v^T A)$ ?