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- (5) 1. Define *swamping* in floating point arithmetic.
- (5) 2. Define *digit cancellation* in floating point arithmetic.
- (9) 3. Let  $a = 0.0623446$  and  $b = 13.22601$ . Using 4 decimal digit rounding arithmetic, compute the following:
- (a)  $\text{fl}(a)$
  - (b)  $\text{fl}(b)$
  - (c) What is the relative error in  $\bar{a}$
- (3) 4. What is *underflow*?
- (4) 5. State the *floating point representation theorem*. (That one says how much error  $\text{fl}(x)$  can have).

(25) 6. On Conditioning and Stability

(a) What is a well conditioned problem?

(b) Describe what a condition number is.

(c) What is a backward stable computation?

(d) How can we use the ideas of conditioning and stability to assess the error in a computation?

(27) 7. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 14 & 10 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Give  $L$  and  $U$  from the  $A = LU$  factorization of  $A$ .

(b) Explain how pivoting effects the multipliers in Gaussian elimination.

(c) Why is pivoting used in Gaussian elimination?

- (10) 8. Solve  $Ax = b$ , where  $PA = LU$  and

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

- (6) 9. What is the relationship, if any, between the machine epsilon and the distance between floating point numbers.

- (6) 10. Count the number of flops required to multiply a  $n \times n$  lower triangular matrix and an  $n$ -vector.