
On the development of a reliable integrated computational environment

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Environment



- compiler
- operating system
- hardware



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Floating-point standardization

IEEE 754-854

$$\mathbb{F}_0(\beta, t, L, U) = \{\pm d_0.d_1 \dots d_{t-1} \times \beta^e \mid \\ 0 \leq d_i \leq \beta - 1, d_0 \neq 0, L \leq e \leq U\}$$

(base β , precision t and normalized exponent range $[L, U]$)

Principle 1: exact rounding

Rounding $\bigcirc : \mathbb{R}_0 \rightarrow X$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcirc(x) &= x & \forall x \in X \\ x \leq y &\Rightarrow \bigcirc(x) \leq \bigcirc(y) & \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0 \end{aligned}$$

Roundings: round to nearest, round up, round down, truncate

Principle 2: exactly rounded operations

$$x \circledast y = \bigcirc(x * y) \quad \forall x, y \in X$$

Operations: $+$, $-$, \times , $/$, $\sqrt{}$, remainder, I/O and conversions between number sets X_i .

IEEE 754-854

Principle 3: closed number system

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\mathbb{R}} &= \mathbb{R}_0 \cup S\mathbb{R}_0 \\ &= \mathbb{R}_0 \cup \{0, (\pm)\infty, \text{INV}\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\overline{X} \stackrel{?}{=} X \cup SX$$

- denormal numbers

$$\pm d_0.d_1 \dots d_{t-1} \times \beta^L, d_0 = 0, \exists d_i \neq 0$$

→ no underflow exception in addition

- signed infinities: $\pm\infty$

→ affine arithmetic

- signed zeroes: ± 0

$$+0 \approx +\epsilon, -0 \approx -\delta, (+0) \oplus (-0) = ?$$

– IEEE-based arithmetic:

$$(+0) \oplus (-0) = +0$$

– TI-based arithmetic: $(+0) \oplus (-0) = 0$

IEEE 754-854

- NaN: result of invalid operation

$$+\infty + (-\infty) = \text{NaN}$$

$$+\infty - (+\infty) = \text{NaN}$$

$$-\infty - (-\infty) = \text{NaN}$$

$$\frac{\pm\infty}{\pm\infty} = \text{NaN}$$

$$\pm 0 \times \pm\infty = \text{NaN}$$

$$\frac{\pm 0}{\pm 0} = \text{NaN}$$

$$x \text{ REM } \pm 0 = \text{NaN}$$

$$\pm\infty \text{ REM } y = \text{NaN}$$

$$\sqrt{x} = \text{NaN} \text{ when } x < 0$$

Conclusion:

$$\overline{\mathbb{F}} = \mathbb{F}_0 \cup \{\pm 0, (\pm)\infty, \text{denormals}, \text{NaN}\} = \mathbb{F}_0 \cup S\mathbb{F}_0$$

Strange output?

[Rump]:

$$a = 77617, b = 33096$$

$$z = 333.75b^6 + a^2(11a^2b^2 - b^6 - 121b^4 - 2)$$

$$x = 5.5b^8$$

$$y = z + x + \frac{a}{2b}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} 5.76461 \dots \times 10^{17}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} 6.33825 \dots \times 10^{29}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} 1.1726 \dots$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} -0.827396 \dots$$

Strange output?

INTEL Pentium (Borland C++ compiler):

(1) literals and variables: t=24

intermediate results: t=64

$$\tilde{y} = 5.76461 \dots \times 10^{17}$$

(2) literals and variables: t=24

intermediate results: t=24

$$\tilde{y} = 6.33825 \dots \times 10^{29}$$

(3) literals and variables: t=53

intermediate results: t=64

$$\tilde{y} = 5.76461 \dots \times 10^{17}$$

(4) literals and variables: t=53

intermediate results: t=53

$$\tilde{y} = 1.1726 \dots$$

(5) literals and variables: t=64

intermediate results: t=64

$$\tilde{y} = 5.76461 \dots \times 10^{17}$$

Strange output?

SUN Sparc (Sun f77, Sun cc):

(1) literals and variables: t=24

intermediate results: t=64

\tilde{y} = unavailable

(2) literals and variables: t=24

intermediate results: t=24

$\tilde{y} = 6.33825 \dots \times 10^{29}$

(3) literals and variables: t=53

intermediate results: t=64

\tilde{y} = unavailable

(4) literals and variables: t=53

intermediate results: t=53

$\tilde{y} = 1.1726 \dots$

(5) literals and variables: t=113

intermediate results: t=113

$\tilde{y} = 1.1726 \dots$

Machine epsilon

```
#include <iostream.h>
int main()
{ double epsilonZero, epsilonOne, epsTmp;
  int i;

  epsilonZero = 1.0; i = 0;
  while (epsilonZero > 0.0)
  {
    i = i+1;
    epsTmp = epsilonZero;
    epsilonZero = epsilonZero/2.0;
  }
  cout << i << " " << epsTmp << "\n";

  epsilonOne = 1.0; i = 0;
  while (1.0+epsilonOne > 1.0)
  {
    i = i+1;
    epsTmp = epsilonOne;
    epsilonOne = epsilonOne/2.0;
  }
  cout << i << " " << epsTmp << "\n"; }

=1= CC -o macheps.x -fast macheps.cpp
=2= macheps.x
    1023      2.22507e-308
     53       2.22045e-16
=3= CC -o macheps.x macheps.cpp
=4= macheps.x
    1075      4.94066e-324
     53       2.22045e-16
```

Counting to six

[Higham]:

$$2-1$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\cos(100\pi+\pi/4)}\right)^2$$

$$3\times\frac{\tan(\arctan(10000))}{10000}$$

$$\left(\left(\left(\dots\left(\sqrt{\sqrt{\dots\sqrt{4}}}\right)^2\dots\right)^2\right)^2\right)^2$$

$$5\times\frac{(1+e^{-100})-1}{(1+e^{-100})-1}$$

$$\frac{\ln(e^{6000})}{1000}$$

Counting to six

one = 1.000000000000000000

two = 2.000000000000000110

three = 2.99999999999971618

four = 2.7182818081824731

five = NaN

six = Infinity


Exception handling

[Kahan]:

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_0 \cup \{0, \pm\infty\} : x^0 = 1$$

\Downarrow

$$\text{NaN}^0 = 1$$

[IEEE 754-854]: 

$$x_1 = +\infty$$

$$x_2 = -\infty$$

$$x = x_1 + x_2 \Rightarrow x = \text{NaN}$$

$$y = \sqrt{-1} \Rightarrow y = \text{NaN}$$

$$x^0 = \text{NaN}$$


$$y^0 = \text{NaN}$$

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Environment

- 
- libraries: numerics, graphics, statistics, ...
 - Matlab, Octave, ...
 - Maple, Mathematica, ...



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The toolkit era

Graphics

“daisy with 90 leaves” [Geulig & Krämer]:

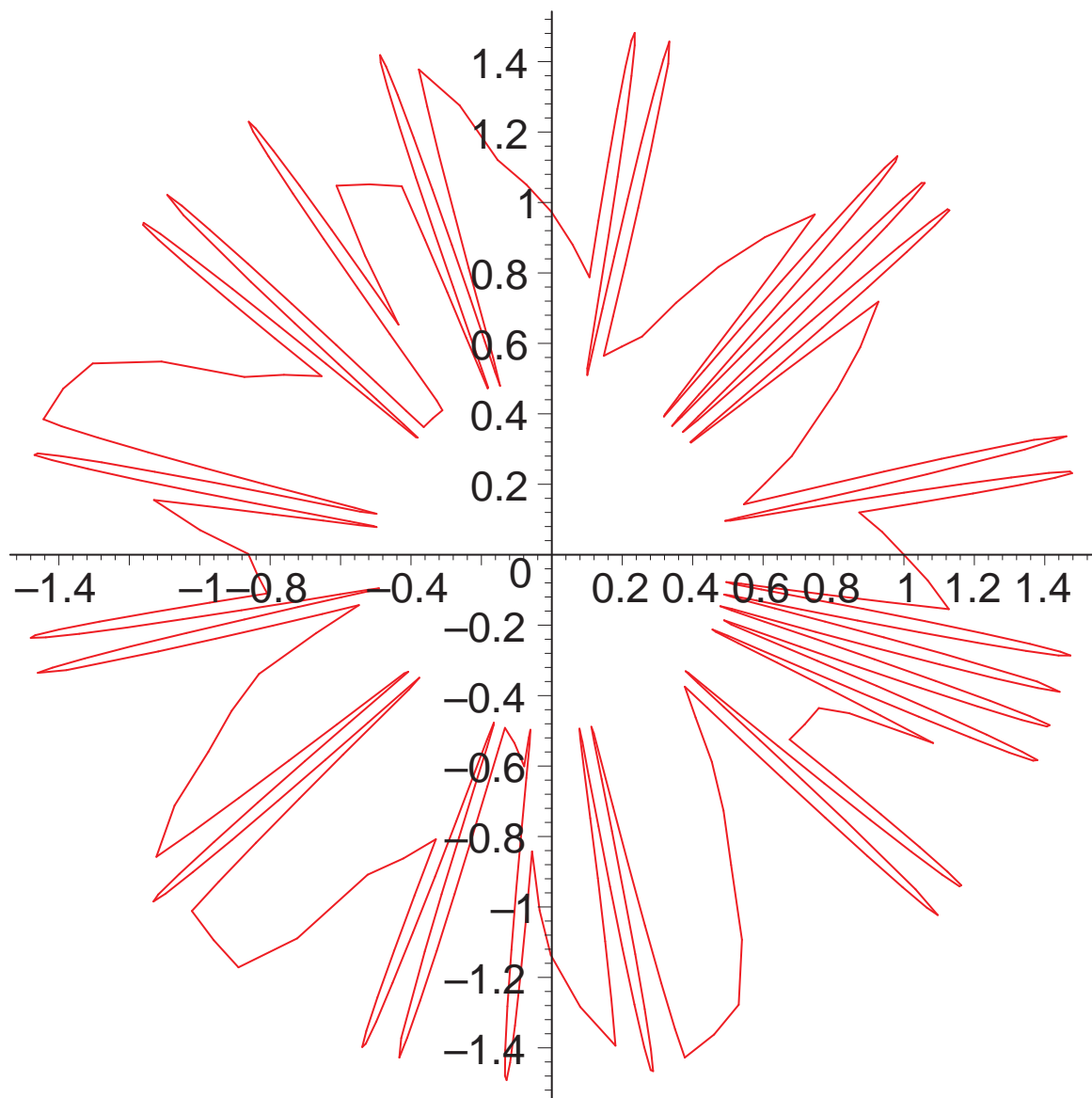
$$r = \frac{1}{2} \sin(90t)$$

$$x = (1 + r) \cos(t)$$

$$y = (1 + r) \sin(t) \quad t = 0 \dots 2\pi$$

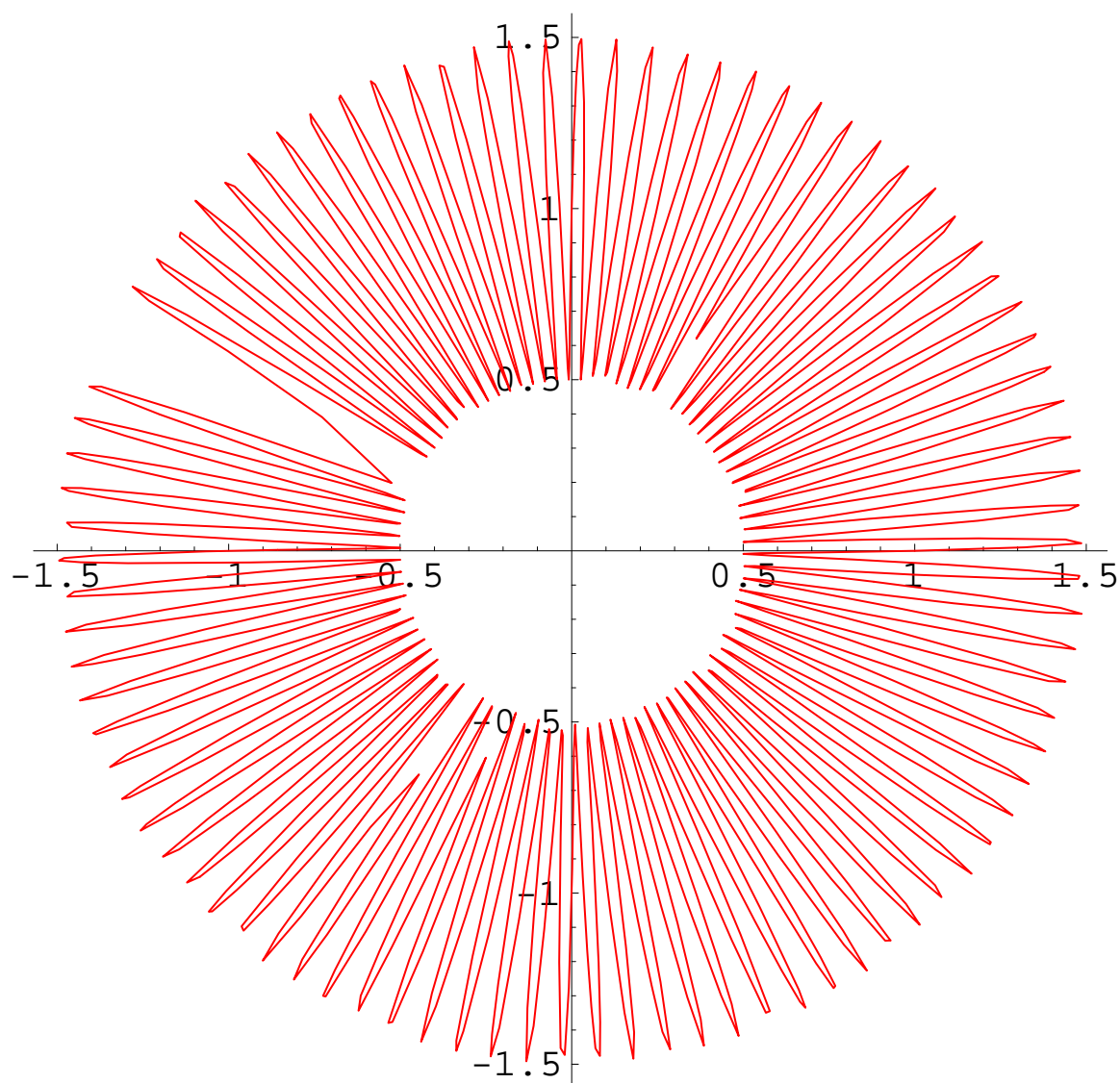
Graphics

Maple 5.0:



Graphics

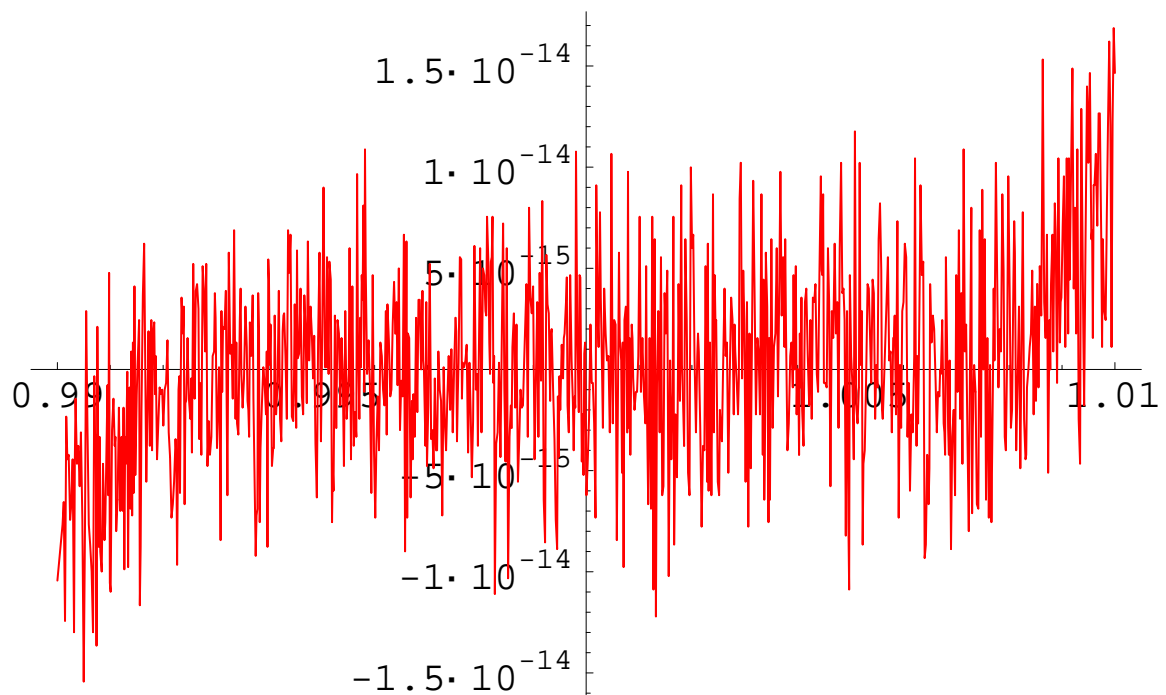
Mathematica 4.02:



Graphics

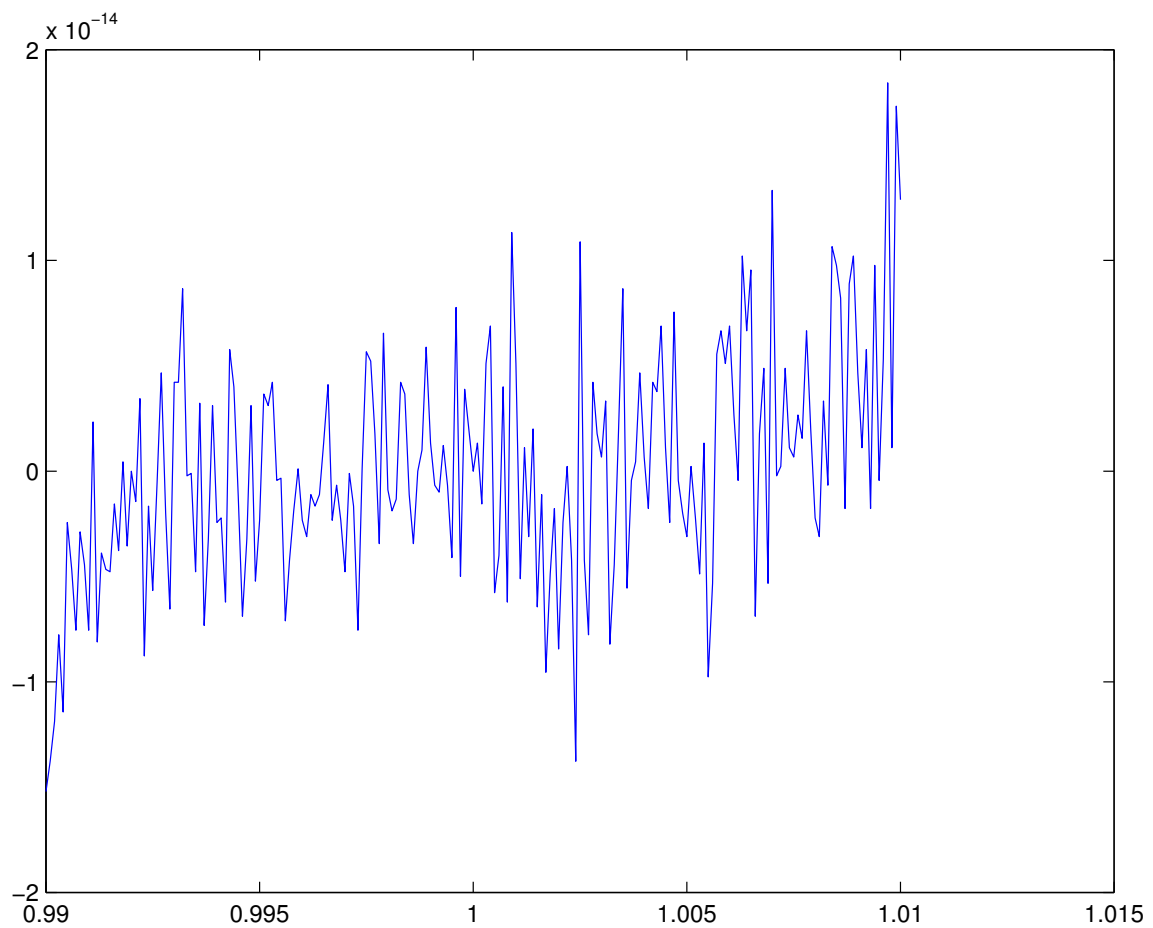
$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^7 \binom{7}{i} (-1)^{7-i} x^i = (x-1)^7$$

Mathematica 4.02:



Graphics

Matlab 5.03:



Tough sign problem

Wilkinson polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} p_0(x) &= (x - 1) \dots (x - 20) \\ &= 2432902008176640000 - 8752948036761600000x + \\ &\quad 13803759753640704000x^2 - 12870931245150988800x^3 + \\ &\quad 8037811822645051776x^4 - 3599979517947607200x^5 + \\ &\quad 1206647803780373360x^6 - 311333643161390640x^7 + \\ &\quad 63030812099294896x^8 - 10142299865511450x^9 + \\ &\quad 1307535010540395x^{10} - 135585182899530x^{11} + \\ &\quad 11310276995381x^{12} - 756111184500x^{13} + \\ &\quad 40171771630x^{14} - 1672280820x^{15} + 53327946x^{16} \\ &\quad - 1256850x^{17} + 20615x^{18} - 210x^{19} + x^{20} \end{aligned}$$

Real roots:

$$z_i = i \quad i = 1, \dots, 20$$

Modified Wilkinson polynomial

$$p_1(x) = p_0(x) - 2^{-23} x^{19}$$

Real roots:

$$\begin{array}{ll} z_1 = 1.0000000 \dots & z_2 = 2.0000000 \dots \\ z_3 = 3.0000000 \dots & z_4 = 4.0000000 \dots \\ z_5 = 4.9999993 \dots & z_6 = 6.0000069 \dots \\ z_7 = 6.9996972 \dots & z_8 = 8.0072676 \dots \\ z_9 = 8.9172502 \dots & z_{10} = 20.846908 \dots \end{array}$$

Tough sign problem

Aim: Obtain reliable bounds for real roots of

$$p_1(x) = 0$$

False Position Method

Given:

$$(x_\ell, f_\ell), (x_h, f_h) \quad f_\ell < 0, f_h > 0$$

Compute:

$$x_n = x_h + f_h \frac{x_h - x_\ell}{f_\ell - f_h}$$

$$f_n = f(x_n)$$

$$\text{if } f_n < 0 \text{ then } x_\ell = x_n$$

$$\text{else } x_h = x_n$$

Mathematically:

$$z_i \in [x_\ell, x_h]$$

Tough sign problem

Implementation: IEEE arithmetic

- data error in representation of coefficients of $p_1(x)$
- rounding error in evaluation of $p_1(x)$

Implementation yields floating-point bounds

$$[\tilde{x}_l, \tilde{x}_h]_{t=53}$$

$$z_i \in [\tilde{x}_l, \tilde{x}_h]?$$

No guarantee!

$$z_9 = 8.917250249 \dots$$

$$z_9 \notin [\tilde{x}_i, \tilde{x}_j]_{53} = [8.9172245567595, 8.9172249342899]$$

$$\tilde{p}_1(\tilde{x}_i)_{t=53} = +5.369856e7$$

$$\tilde{p}_1(\tilde{x}_j)_{t=53} = -2.626468e8$$

$$p_1(\tilde{x}_j) = +4.87759e7$$

$$\tilde{p}_1(\tilde{x}_j)_{t=53} \in [-1.177340e9, +1.324868e9]$$

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Environment

- 
- IEEE compliant multiprecision floats
 - rational arithmetic
 - complex arithmetic
 - sharp interval arithmetic
 - reliable graphics
 - calculator, parser, precompiler, GUI



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Reliability in view

Strange output unraveled

[Cuyt&Verdonk]:

- multiprecision float ($t = 122$) :

$$\begin{aligned} z &= -7.917111340668961361101134701524942850e36 \\ x &= +7.917111340668961361101134701524942848e36 \\ z + x &= -2.0000000000000000000000000000000000 \\ y &= -8.27396059946821368141165095479816292e-1 \end{aligned}$$

- single precision interval ($t = 24$) :

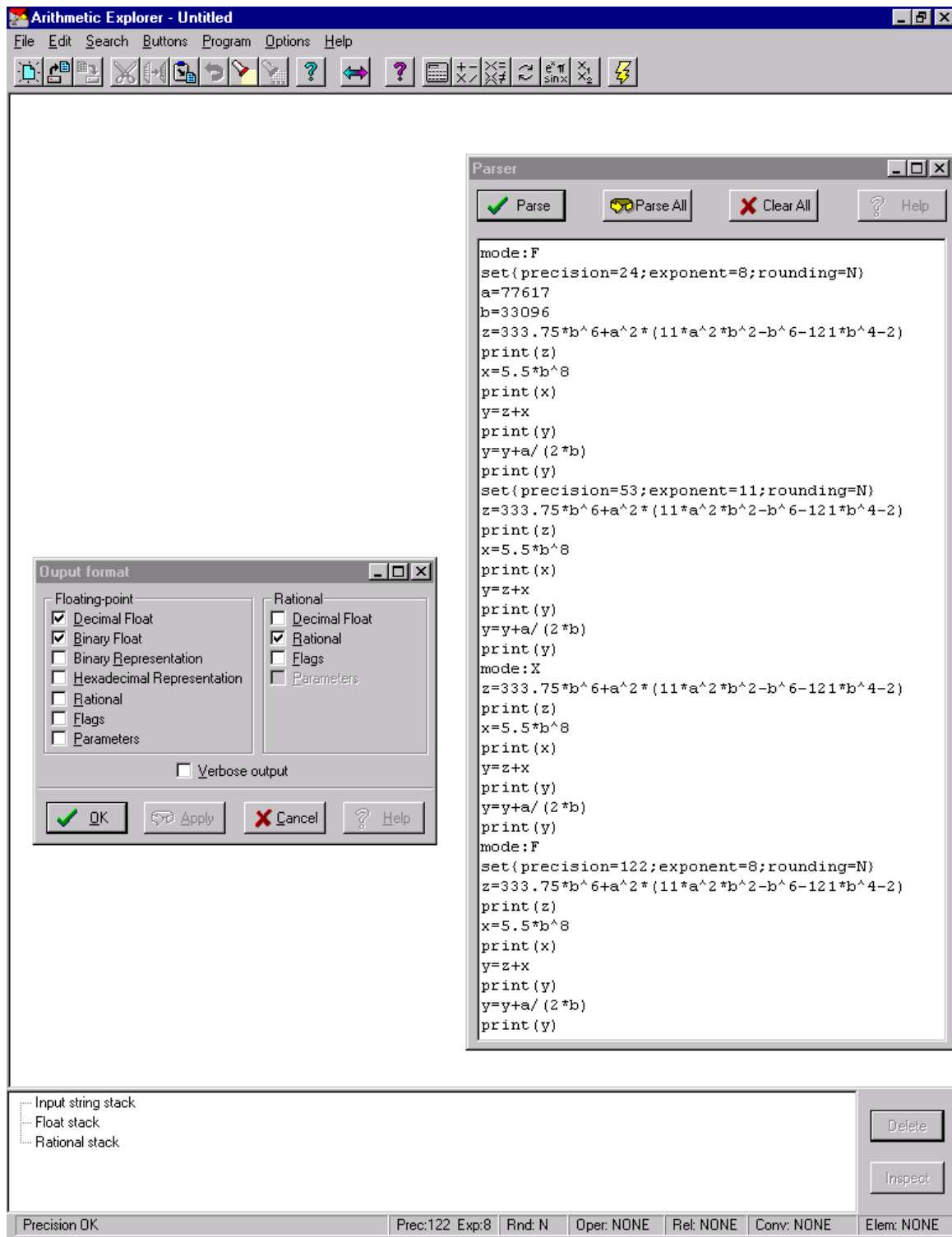
$$\begin{aligned} z &= [-7.917116e36; -7.917105e36] \\ x &= [7.917108e36; 7.917112e36] \\ z + x &= [-7.605904e30; 6.338254e30] \\ y &= [-7.605904e30; 6.338254e30] \end{aligned}$$

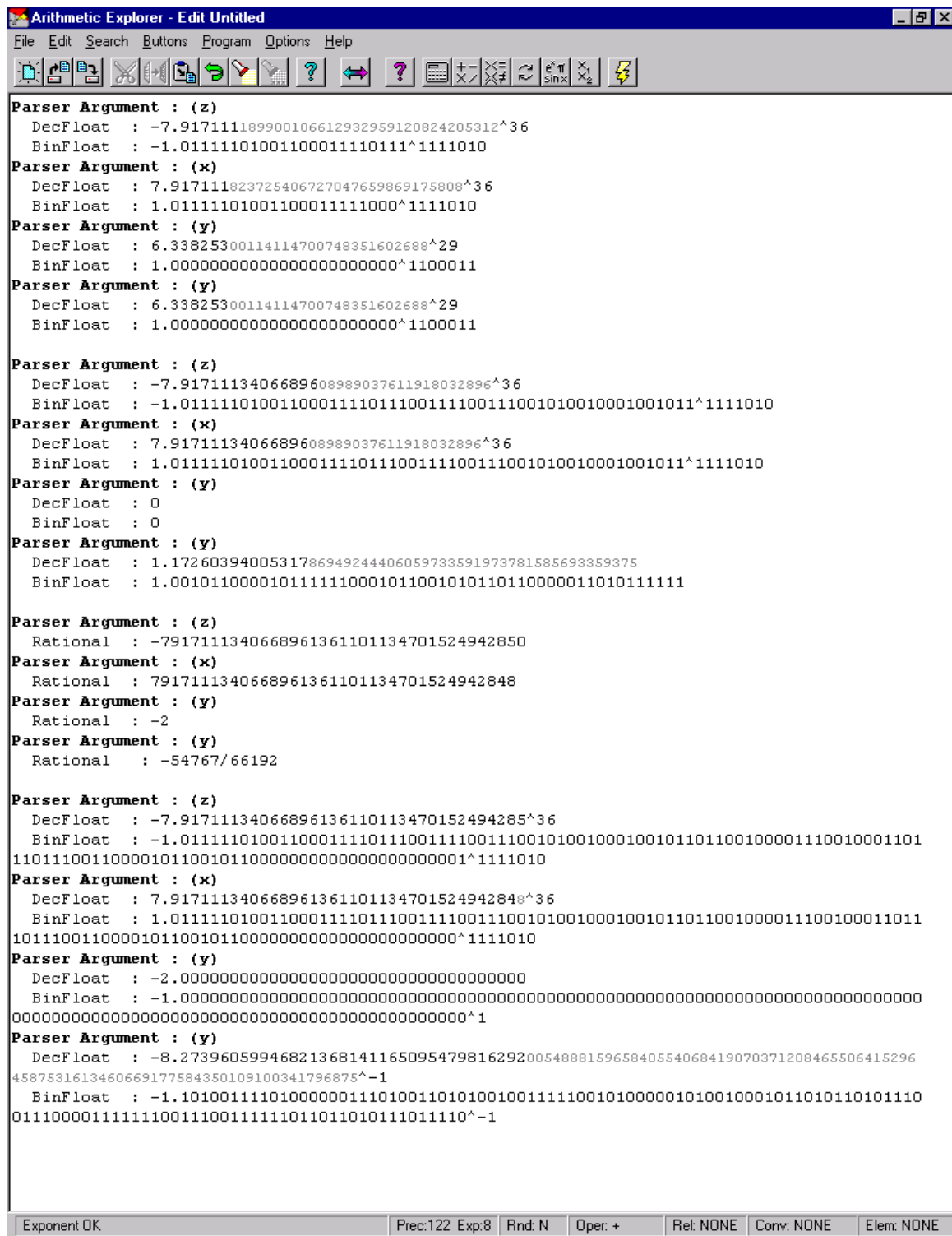
- double precision interval ($t = 53$) :

$$\begin{aligned} z &= [-7.91711134066897e36; -7.91711134066895e36] \\ x &= [7.91711134066895e36; 7.91711134066896e36] \\ z + x &= [-8.26414134502188e21; 7.08354972430447e21] \\ y &= [-8.26414134502188e21; 7.08354972430447e21] \end{aligned}$$

- multiprecision interval ($t = 122$) :

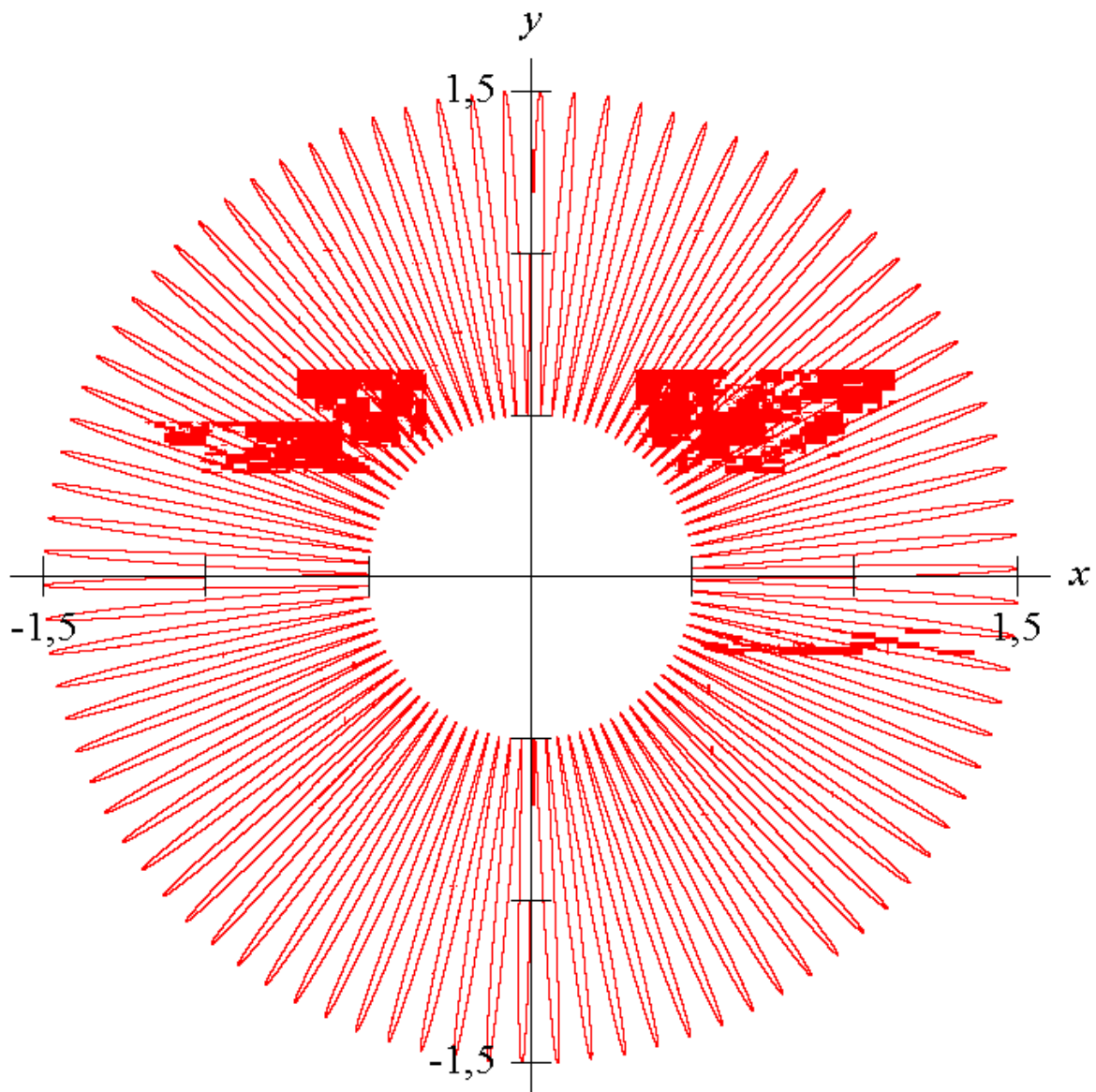
$$\begin{aligned} z &= [-7.9171113406689613611011347015249428 \frac{4}{5} e36] \\ x &= [7.9171113406689613611011347015249428 \frac{5}{4} e36] \\ z + x &= [-2.0000000000000000000000000000000000 \frac{0}{1}] \\ y &= [-8.2739605994682136814116509547981629 \frac{0}{1} e-1] \end{aligned}$$





Reliable graphics

[Tupper]: generalized interval arithmetic



Advanced exception handling

[ARITHMOS]:

$$x_1 = +\infty$$

$$x_2 = -\infty$$

$$x = x_1 + x_2 \Rightarrow x = \text{NaN}$$

$$y = \sqrt{-1} \Rightarrow y = \text{Ia}\mathbb{C}_0$$

IaY: result can only be represented in $Y \supset X$

$\rightarrow \text{Ia}\mathbb{C}, \text{Ia}\mathbb{C}_0, \text{Ia}\mathbb{C} \sim \text{Inf}, \text{Ia}\mathbb{C}_0 \sim \text{Inf}$

$$\forall x \in Y \cup \{0, \pm\infty\} \quad x^0 = 1$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$(\text{IaY})^0 = 1$$

$$x^0 = \text{NaN}$$

$$y^0 = 1$$

Reliable false position

```
#include "MpIeee.h"
#include "Rational.h"
....
Rational coef[NR_OF_COEF];

MpIeee f(MpIeee xx)
{ Rational result, x(xx);

  result=coef[DEGREE];
  for(int i=DEGREE-1;i>=0;i--) {
    result=x*result+coef[i]; }
  return result.toMpIeee(53,11);
}

void regfalsi(MpIeee x1,MpIeee x2,
              MpIeee (*f)(MpIeee x),MpIeee eps)
{ MpIeee xh, xl, fl, fh, xnew, fxnew;

  ...
  for (int count=0;count<MAXIT;count++) {
    xnew=xh+fh*(xh-xl)/(fl-fh);
    fxnew=f(xnew);
    if (fxnew<0) {
      xl=xnew;
      fl=fxnew; }
    else {
      xh=xnew;
      fh=fxnew; }
    ... }
}
```

Reliable false position

[ARITHMOS]:

```
main()
{ MpIeee (*fptr)(MpIeee);
  MpIeee startl, starth, eps;

  coef[0]=Rational("2432902008176640000.0");
  coef[1]=Rational("-8752948036761600000.0");
  coef[2]=Rational("13803759753640704000.0");
  coef[3]=Rational("-12870931245150988800.0");
  coef[4]=Rational("8037811822645051776.0");
  ...
  coef[19]=Rational("-210.0")-pow(2,-23);
  coef[20]=Rational("1.0");
  ...
  regfalsi(startl,starth,fptr,eps);
}
```



```

for (i = matrix_size - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
    sum = B[i];
    for (j = i + 1; j <= matrix_size; j++)
        sum -= A[i][j] * X[j];
    X[i] = sum / A[i][i];
}

void rational_solveTri(int n, rational *a, rational *d, rational *c,
                      rational *b, rational *x) {
    int i;

    rational xmult;

    for (i = 1; i < n; i++) {
        xmult = a[i-1] / d[i-1];
        d[i] = d[i] - xmult * c[i-1];
        b[i] -= xmult * b[i-1];
    }
    x[n-1] = b[n-1] / d[n-1];
    for (i = n-2; i >= 0; i--)
        x[i] = (b[i] - c[i] * x[i+1]) / d[i];
}

void rational_forward_elim (int matrix_size, rational **A, rational *B,
                           rational *X) {
    int i, j, k;
    rational xmult;

    for (k = 1; k < matrix_size; k++) {
        for (i = k + 1; i <= matrix_size; i++) {
            xmult = A[i][k] / A[k][k];
            A[i][k] = xmult;
            for (j = k + 1; j <= matrix_size; j++)
                A[i][j] -= xmult * A[k][j];
            B[i] -= xmult * B[k];
        }
    }
    X[matrix_size] = B[matrix_size] / A[matrix_size][matrix_size];
}

void rational_back_subst (int matrix_size, rational **A, rational *B,
                          rational *X) {
    int i, j;
    rational sum;

    for (i = matrix_size - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
        sum = B[i];
        for (j = i + 1; j <= matrix_size; j++)
            sum -= A[i][j] * X[j];
        X[i] = sum / A[i][i];
    }
}

```

Specify the 'cout' options for compiled C++ programs

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