

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
DIGITAL COMPUTER

ILLINOIS CODE 68 - R4

TITLE Cube Root (DOI or SADOI)

TYPE Closed

NUMBER OF WORDS 15

TEMPORARY STORAGE 0,1 2

ACCURACY $\pm 2^{-39}$

DURATION Less than 31 milliseconds for $|A| \geq 2^{-2}$
 31-160 milliseconds for $2^{-39} \leq |A| < 2^{-2}$
 266 milliseconds for $A = 0$

READ AROUND Within and adjacent to subroutine 17
 Adjacent to temporary storage 42.5

DESCRIPTION Computes the cube root of a 39-digit real argument A.
 When the routine is entered A must be in the accumulator.
 The cube root of A is found by Newton's iteration method,
 where $x_0 = 1 - 2^{-39}$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + (1/3)(A/x_n^2 - x_n)$$
 Convergence of the process is assumed when $(1/3)(A/x_n^2 - x_n) \geq 0$.
 Upon completion of the routine the accumulator contains the
 signed cube root of A.

ENTRY

p	any
p + 1	50 p
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LOCATION	ORDER	NOTES	PAGE 1
0	00K(R4) 40 F		N(0) = Argument A
1	S5 1F L4 L 42 11L		Set link address
2	L7 13L 40 2F	From 9'	Set starting iterate $x_0 = 1 - 2^{-39}$
3	50 2F 75 2F		$N(1) = x_n^2$
4	40 1F L7 F		
5	50 13L 66 1F		$N(1) = (A/x_n^2 - x_n)$
6	S5 F L0 2F		
7	40 1F 50 1F		
8	75 14L 36 10L		Test $1/3 (A/x_n^2 - x_n)$
9	L4 2F 22 2L		$NR_1 = x_{n+1} = x_n + 1/3 (A/x_n^2 - x_n)$
10	L5 F 36 12L	From 8'	Test sign of A
11	L3 2F 22 ()F	By 1'	Exit with $NR_1 = \pm \sqrt[3]{ A }$
12	L7 2F 22 11L	From 10'	
13	80 F 00 1F		$- 1 + 2^{-39}$
14	00F 00 3333 3333 3333 J		1/3

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