

*APPROXIMATIONS EXCEEDING 1300 DECIMALS FOR $\sqrt{3}$, $1/\sqrt{3}$,
 $\sin(\pi/3)$ AND DISTRIBUTION OF DIGITS IN THEM*

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This note is practically a sequel to an earlier communication¹ relating to $\sqrt{2}$ and $1/\sqrt{2}$. Hence acquaintance with the first paper will be assumed. The present investigation had two goals, namely (a) to extend appreciably our present approximations for $\sqrt{3}$ and $1/\sqrt{3}$, and (b) to make a brief statistical examination of the distribution of digits in these constants.

Without reference to previous values the calculation of $\sqrt{3}$ was begun by the obvious long-hand method and terminated with the 35th decimal figure. This gave 35 antecedent zeros and 36 significant digits for the corresponding value of δ . [See formulae (1), (2), (3) in the first note.] For the third approximation a was assigned 408 digits, i.e., 407 decimal figures. The associated value of δ had 406 ante-zeros and 408 significant figures. $N = 3$. $a\delta/6 = (0.381835\dots) \times 10^{-407}$, $a\delta^2/24 = (0.126264\dots) \times 10^{-814}$, $5a\delta^3/432 = (0.463924\dots) \times 10^{-1222}$. The data produced in the third and final stage of the work were checked with extreme care with auxiliary moduli, and by other devices. Finally the process of cross-multiplication² was applied to the first 1314 figures of the dedecimalized value of $\sqrt{3}$ and a continuous sequence of 1312 nines resulted.

The newly computed values for $\sqrt{3}$, $1/\sqrt{3}$ and $(\sqrt{3})/2$ are given in table 1. [The omission of $1/\sqrt{2}$ from the earlier note and the inclusion of $1/\sqrt{3}$ in this place were made intentionally.]

Table 2 presents the values of χ_n^2 and $p_n (= 1 - P_n)$ for the three newly extended constants, and it corresponds to table 2 of the earlier note. Comparison of the fifth columns of these tables brings out at once the striking contrast between the probability values for the reciprocals of $\sqrt{2}$ and $\sqrt{3}$. For $1/\sqrt{2}$ most of the numbers are unusually small while the corresponding data for $1/\sqrt{3}$ are large, especially at $n = 200$ and 300 . The conjecture that the small values of p_n for $(\sqrt{2})/2$ may be due to division by 2 is refuted immediately by the steady large values ($n > 600$) in the seventh column of the present table 2. [The asterisks in the columns for χ_n^2 indicate that all subsequent meaningless figures have been omitted.]

Many formulae for statistical probability are so constructed as to involve the squares of the deviations and hence they mask the signs and implications of these differences. In the particular case of $1/\sqrt{2}$ and $1/\sqrt{3}$ the changes of the deviations by excess and deficiency seem to be interesting and perhaps instructive. For this reason table 3 is presented for inspec-

tion. The upper line of each double row refers to $1/\sqrt{2}$ and the lower line of the paired rows to $1/\sqrt{3}$. In $1/\sqrt{3}$ the consistently large deficiencies of 4 and the steady growth of 7 may be noted. In the special case of $1/\sqrt{3}$ there are 51 digits between the 922nd and 974th decimal places among which 1 does not occur. Also 4 is absent from the 53 decimal cells bounded by the 150th and 204th places.

It seems appropriate to compare the final approximation to $\sqrt{3}$ made by J. M. Boorman³ with the accurate value given here. On page 207 of the first volume of the *Mathematical Magazine* he stated that "Below is the corrected root which I believe to be true to at least 300 places of decimals, having made the revised compute with great care." Nevertheless Boorman's datum included 422 decimal figures of which the first 222 are correct and the succeeding 200 digits constitute an error of excess.

TABLE 1

			$\sqrt{3} =$					± 1.7320		50807
56887	72935	27446	34150	58723	66942	80525	38103	80628	05580	
69794	51933	01690	88000	37081	14618	67572	48575	67562	61414	
15406	70302	99699	45094	99895	24788	11655	51209	43736	48528	
09323	19023	05582	06797	48201	01084	67492	32650	15312	34326	
69033	22886	65067	22546	68921	83797	12270	47131	66036	78615	
88019	04998	65373	79859	38946	76503	47506	57605	07566	18348	
12960	61009	47602	18719	03250	83145	82952	39598	32997	78982	
45082	88714	46383	29173	47224	16398	45878	55397	66795	80638	
18353	66611	08431	73780	89437	83161	02088	30552	49016	70023	
52071	11442	88695	99095	63657	97087	16849	80728	99493	29648	
42830	20786	40860	39887	38697	53758	23173	17831	39599	29830	
07838	70287	70539	13369	56331	21037	07264	01924	91067	68231	
19928	83756	41141	42201	67427	52102	37299	42708	31059	89845	
94759	87664	28889	77961	47837	95839	02288	54852	90357	60338	
52808	06438	19723	44661	05968	97228	72865	26415	38226	64698	
42002	11954	84155	27844	11812	86534	50703	51916	50016	68929	
44154	80846	07127	71439	99762	92683	46295	77438	36189	51101	
27148	63874	69765	45982	45178	85509	75379	01388	06649	61911	
96222	29571	10555	24292	37231	92197	73826	25616	31468	84203	
28537	16682	93864	96119	17049	73883	63954	95938	14575	76718	
53373	63312	59108	99655	42462	48347	87197	60523	59977	69192	
32357	02203	05302	84038	59154	14971	07242	95592	06706	20250	
95201	75963	18587	27663	59975	28366	34310	80150	66585	37106	
47328	53862	59222	60582	22051	04036	80270	29750	47987	28079	
46165	81004	17052	68194	00190	95733	46217	59438	93670	24932	
04226	91034	36981	24637	20111	18526	10842	68910	29972	03112	
02100	06...									
			$1/\sqrt{3} =$					± 0.5773		50269
18962	57645	09148	78050	19574	55647	60175	12701	26876	01860	
23264	83977	67230	29333	45693	71539	55857	49525	22520	87138	
05135	56767	66566	48364	99965	08262	70551	83736	47912	16176	
03107	73007	68527	35599	16067	00361	55830	77550	05104	11442	

TABLE 2

n	$\sqrt{3}$		$1/\sqrt{3}$		$(\sqrt{3})/2$	
	x_n^2	p_n	x_n^2	p_n	x_n^2	p_n
100	8.6	0.5211	7.8	0.4445	5.8	0.2414
200	6.	0.2603	21.5	0.9891	8.3	0.4956
300	5.6	0.2241	17.46	0.9565	6.26	0.2876
400	4.45	0.1244	10.95	0.7140	4.1	0.0960
500	8.04	0.4690	11.2	0.7345	6.32	0.2931
600	11.3	0.7427	13.06	0.8264	8.3	0.4956
700	11.4	0.7505	11.914*	0.7739	12.428*	0.7973
800	10.275	0.6586	7.275	0.3908	10.05	0.6401
900	10.62	0.6871	9.48	0.5941	11.6	0.7596
1000	10.5	0.6771	9.78	0.6180	12.64	0.8070
1100	8.27	0.4928	10.145	0.6480	11.490	0.7547
1200	9.46	0.5922	11.55	0.7573	11.85	0.7710
1300	8.215*	0.4870	9.215*	0.5716	11.276*	0.7408

TABLE 3

n	DIGIT 0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	ΣD^2
100	- 1	- 2	- 3	+ 4	+ 1	- 2	+1	- 1	+ 4	- 1	54
	- 1	- 2	0	- 1	- 3	+ 6	+1	+ 4	- 3	- 1	78
200	- 2	- 3	- 2	+ 4	- 3	0	+5	+ 1	0	0	68
	+ 3	- 3	- 4	- 1	-10	+11	+7	+ 8	- 6	- 5	430
300	- 2	- 3	- 3	+ 3	- 1	+ 1	+2	+ 3	- 2	+ 2	54
	+ 3	+ 2	- 1	- 5	-12	+12	+8	+ 6	- 9	- 4	524
400	- 3	- 2	- 4	+ 1	- 2	- 2	+3	+ 9	- 1	+ 1	130
	+ 4	+ 2	- 3	- 6	-12	+11	+7	+ 5	- 5	- 3	438
500	- 4	- 1	- 4	+ 2	- 1	+ 2	-1	+ 5	- 1	+ 3	78
	+ 4	0	+ 1	- 6	-14	+13	+5	+ 7	- 8	- 2	560
600	- 2	- 2	- 1	+ 4	+ 2	- 3	-4	+ 9	0	- 3	144
	+ 7	+ 2	+ 2	- 6	-19	+10	+3	+11	-10	0	784
700	+ 1	0	+ 4	+ 6	+ 2	- 4	-8	+ 7	- 7	- 1	236
	+ 7	- 1	+ 1	- 7	-20	+11	+4	+10	- 9	+ 4	834
800	+ 3	- 1	+ 4	+ 5	+ 4	- 3	-5	+ 3	- 6	- 4	162
	+ 6	- 6	+ 2	- 8	-14	+ 8	+4	+11	- 6	+ 3	582
900	+ 3	- 2	+10	+ 5	+ 6	- 4	-5	- 2	- 8	- 3	292
	+ 5	- 7	+ 3	-12	-14	+ 9	+5	+ 9	-10	+12	854
1000	+ 4	- 4	+ 8	+ 2	+ 9	+ 2	-5	- 4	- 8	- 4	306
	+ 4	-15	+ 5	-12	-10	+ 9	+4	+13	- 9	+11	978
1100	+ 5	- 4	+ 5	+ 3	+11	+ 4	-6	+ 1	- 9	-10	430
	+ 4	- 8	- 1	-16	-11	+11	+4	+16	-11	+12	1116
1200	+ 6	- 3	+ 4	+ 2	+14	+ 2	-6	- 1	- 8	-10	466
	+ 6	- 5	- 4	-19	-12	+13	+4	+15	-13	+15	1386
1300	+ 3	- 4	+ 7	- 3	+19	+ 4	-6	+ 1	- 8	-13	730
	+10	- 8	- 4	-14	-14	+ 9	+6	+14	-12	+13	1198

Beginning with the 223rd place the first fifteen figures of his error are 28867 51345 94813.

¹ These PROCEEDINGS, 37, 63-67 (1951).

² Uhler, H. S., "Miscellaneous Hints for and Experiences in Computation," *Scripta Mathematica*, 16, 31-42 (1950).

³ Boorman, J. Marcus. Square-Root Notes. *The Mathematical Magazine*, 1, 207, 208 (1887).

THE RELATION OF ADRENAL HORMONES TO THE PATHOGENESIS OF EXPERIMENTAL NEPHRITIS

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Although antikidney serum was first studied by Lindemann¹ in 1900, Masugi² first produced nephritis in rats by the administration of anti-kidney serum in 1931. Following Masugi, several other investigators have studied in some detail the pathogenesis of nephritis produced by anti-kidney serum in the rat, notably Smadel and his associates³⁻⁵ and Heymann.⁶ Consideration of the reported results impresses one with the variability of experimental nephritis produced by nephrotoxic sera. The administration of a given dose produced somewhat different diseases in the hands of each investigator, and this circumstance has been variously attributed to the diet, the strain of rat, and other differences in the conditions.

As part of a comprehensive study, we have investigated the variability of experimental nephritis as influenced by a change in one experimental condition, when all others are held constant. In this manner, we have investigated the effects of dose, route of administration, time intervals, and individual preparations. In the course of this investigation, effects were noted that could be correlated closely with certain manifestations of adrenal function, and these data are related here.

Rabbit anti-rat-kidney serum was prepared by immunizing rabbits for a period of 4 months or more with a suspension of rat kidney tissue. This is the same preparation (NTG) which has been described briefly in a previous paper.⁷ However, in this experiment the serum was adsorbed with a suspension of sheep erythrocytes to remove Forssman antibodies, but adsorption with rat erythrocytes was omitted. The antibody globulin was precipitated by one-third saturation with ammonium sulfate at pH 7.8. This NTG was found by the Tiselius pattern to be composed entirely of γ -globulin. The minimum serological activity was determined by a precipitin test with the soluble portion of the original antigen, and the