must be left as standard floating-point numbers in two designated registers.

### EXERCISE AMB

The following function  $\ln^*(1+X)$  is an approximation for  $\ln(1+X)$  in the range  $0 \le X \le 1$ :

$$\ln^* (1 + X) = 0.9974,442X$$
$$- 0.4712,839X^2$$
$$+ 0.2256,685X^3$$
$$- 0.0587,527X^4$$

Compute the error term, i.e.  $\ln (1 + X) - \ln^* (1 + X)$ , for X = 0(0.02)1.0. Set

x = the mean of their absolute values;

y = the absolute value of the greatest error. Draw (by hand) a graph of the error against X.

#### EXERCISE AWE

Declare a real procedure

which integrates the function f over the range (a, b) using Simpson's rule with n intervals. This rule is given by the approximation

$$(h/3) \times (f(a) + 4f(a+h) + 2f(a+2h) + 4f(a+3h) + \cdots + 2f(b-2h) + 4f(b-h) + f(b))$$

where h = (b - a)/n and n is even.

Declare the real procedure

$$trap(x) = 0.92 \times \cosh(x) - \cos(x)$$

and integrate it over (-1, 1) using 2, 4, 8, 16,  $\cdots$  intervals until two successive results differ by less than  $10^{-9}$ . Set

x =the final result;

y = the final number of intervals.

Print out the results of the successive approximations: what would the result have been if the accuracy required was 10<sup>-6</sup>? Any comments?

## Exercise AT4

Read an integer n from data, followed by an  $n \times n$  matrix A listed by rows (floating-point). Denote by  $R_i(C_i)$  the sum of the absolute values of the elements in row i (column i). Set

$$x = \text{trace } (A), \text{ i.e. } A_{11} + A_{22} + \cdots + A_{nn};$$
  
 $y = \text{maximum } (R_1, R_2, \cdots R_n, C_1, C_2, \cdots C_n).$ 

(x = sum of eigenvalues, y = upper bound on magnitude)

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J. G. HERRIOT, Editor

The following algorithm by Bartels and Golub relates to the paper by the same authors in the Numerical Analysis department of this issue, on pages 266-268.

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#### ALGORITHM 350

SIMPLEX METHOD PROCEDURE EMPLOYING LU DECOMPOSITION\* [H]

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**procedure** linprog (m, n, kappa, G, b, d, x, z, ind, infeasible, unbounded, singular);

value m, n; integer m, n, kappa; real z;

array G, b, d, x; integer array ind; label infeasible, unbounded, singular;

comment linprog attacks the linear programming problem:

maximize  $d^Tx$ 

subject to Gx = b and  $x \ge 0$ 

Details about the methods used are given in a paper by Bartels and Golub [Comm. ACM 12 (May 1969), 266–268].

The array G[0:m-1, 0:n-1] contains the constraint coefficients. Array b[0:m-1] contains the constraint vector, and d[0:n-1] contains the objective function coefficients (cost vector). The computed solution will be stored in x[0:n-1], and z will have the maximum value of the objective function if lingrog terminates successfully. Error exit singular will be taken if a singular basis matrix is encountered. Error exit infeasible will be taken if the given problem has no basic feasible solution. and exit unbounded will be taken if the objective function is unbounded. If kappa = 0, problem (2) of the referenced paper will be set up and phase 1 entered. If  $1 \le kappa \le m-1$ , problem (4) of the paper will be set up and phase 1 entered. The last kappa columns of G will be preceded by the first m - kappacolumns of the identity matrix to form the initial basis matrix. If kappa = m, phase 2 computation will begin on problem (1) with variables numbered ind[0],  $\cdots$ , ind[m-1] as the initial basic variables and variables numbered  $ind[m], \dots, ind[n-1]$  as the initial nonbasic variables. Hence each component of ind must hold an integer between 0 and n-1 specified by the user. Finally, if kappa > m, problem (3) will be set up, and phase 2 computation will begin with variables numbered ind[0], ..., ind[m] as the initial basic variables and variables numbered  $ind[m+1], \dots, ind[n+kappa-m-1]$  as the initial nonbasic variables. This option is of interest only because linprog, upon successful termination, leaves all variable numbers recorded in

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ind in their final order and provides kappa with an appropriate
                                                                             for i := beta step 1 until mu do
  value. This permits lingrog to be reentered at the phase 2 point
                                                                               im1 := i - 1; \quad l := ix[i];
  after modifications have been made to G, b, or d. An understand-
                                                                               trisolv(if\ i=beta\ then\ bottom\ else\ top,\ 1,\ im1,\ bottom,\ j-1,
  ing of the simplex method and the accompanying paper by Bar-
                                                                                 j, k, P[ro[k], i], mat, P[ro[j], k], 1.0);
  tels and Golub will make clear what modifications can be per-
                                                                               trisolv(i, 1, mu, bottom, im1, j, k, P[ro[k], i], mat,
  mitted. If phase 1 is to be executed, ind must have array bounds
  [0:m+n-kappa] to allow for artificial variables. Otherwise, ind
                                                                                 P[ro[j], k], 1.0);
                                                                               t1 := 0;
  must have bounds [0:n+kappa-m-1]. The values in array b
                                                                               for j := i step 1 until mu do
  must be nonnegative if phase 1 is to be executed. The contents
  of m, n, G, b, and d are left unchanged by linprog;
                                                                               begin
                                                                                 t2 := P[ro[j], i];
begin
                                                                                 if abs(t1) < abs(t2) then begin t1 := t2; k := j end
  real procedure ip2(ii, ll, uu, aa, bb, cc);
    value uu; integer ii, ll, uu; real aa, bb, cc;
                                                                               if t1 = 0 then go to singular;
  begin
  comment ip2 must produce a double-precision, accumulated
                                                                               if i = mu then go to decompover;
                                                                               j := ro[i]; ro[i] := ro[k]; ro[k] := j;
    inner product. Jensen's device is used. The main statement in
                                                                               for j := i + 1 step 1 until mu do P[ro[j], i] :=
    for ii := ll step 1 until uu do sum := sum + aa \times bb
                                                                                  P[ro[j], i]/t1
    where the local variable sum has been initialized by cc. How-
                                                                             end;
                                                                        decompover:
    ever, the multiplication aa \times bb must produce a double-pre-
                                                                           end decompose;
    cision result, so sum represents a double-precision accumu-
                                                                          procedure findbeta;
    lated sum. After all products have been summed together, sum
                                                                           comment This procedure determines which of the basic
    is to be rounded to single-precision and used as the value of
                                                                             variables is to become nonbasic;
    ip2;
                                                                           begin
  end ip2;
  procedure trisolv(fis, fid, fie, sis, sie, fi, si, sol, rhs, mat, piv);
                                                                             t1 := infinity;
    value fid, fie; integer fis, fid, fie, sis, sie, fi, si; real sol, rhs,
                                                                             for i := 0 step 1 until mu do
                                                                             begin
    mat, piv;
                                                                               if y[i] > 0 then
  comment trisolv solves a triangular system of linear equa-
    tions. The off-diagonal part of the system's coefficient matrix
                                                                               begin
    is given by mat, the diagonal part by piv, and the right-hand
                                                                                 t2 := h[i]/y[i];
                                                                                 if t2 < t1 then begin t1 := t2; beta := i end
    side of the system by rhs. The solution is developed in sol.
                                                                               end
    By appropriately setting the first five parameters, either an
    upper or a lower triangular system can be treated. Column by
                                                                             end
    column LU decomposition of a matrix can be compactly ex-
                                                                           end findbeta;
                                                                           procedure findalpha(mat, vec); real mat, vec;
    pressed using trisolv;
                                                                           comment This procedure determines which of the nonbasic
  begin real tt, pv;
    \mathbf{for}\, \mathit{fi} := \mathit{fis}\, \mathbf{step}\, \mathit{fid}\, \mathbf{until}\, \mathit{fie}\, \mathbf{do}
                                                                             variables is to be made basic;
                                                                           begin
    begin tt := -ip2(si, sis, sie, sol, mat, -rhs);
                                                                             t1 := infinity;
      si := fi; pv := piv;
      sol := if pv = 1.0 then tt else tt/pv
                                                                             begin
    end
                                                                               k := ix[i];
  end trisolv;
  array q, h, w, y, v[0:m], P[0:m, 0:m];
  integer array ix[0:m+n], ro[0:m];
  \mathbf{integer}\ mu,\,nu,alpha,\,beta,\,gamma,\,gm1,\,im1,\,i,\,j,\,k,\,l\,;
                                                                             end
  real t1, t2, infinity, prevz, eta;
                                                                           end findalpha;
  real procedure Gmat(ri, ci);
    value ri, ci; integer ri, ci;
      Gmat := if \ ri = m \ then \ (if \ ci < n \ then \ 0 \ else \ 1.0)
               else if ci < n then G[ri, ci]
                else if ci - n = ri then 1.0 else 0;
  real procedure dvec(ii); value ii; integer ii;
    dvec := if ii < n then d[ii] else 0;
  procedure decompose (mat, bottom, top);
    value bottom, top; integer bottom, top; real mat;
                                                                             given in the next comment;
  comment This procedure performs a column-by-column re-
    duction of the matrix given by mat, forming an upper and a
                                                                           begin
    lower triangular matrix into the array P. (Each diagonal ele-
                                                                             cnt := 0; eps := 5 \times eta;
    ment of the lower triangular matrix is 1.) Interchanges of rows
                                                                         loop:
    take place so that the largest pivot in each column is em-
    ployed. If P already contains the LU decomposition of a
                                                                             \mathbf{for} fi := 0 \mathbf{step} 1 \mathbf{until} ord \mathbf{do}
    matrix differing from mat in only the (beta)-th column, ad-
                                                                             begin
    vantage is taken of this. The parameters bottom and top enable
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decompose to concentrate on a lower right-hand submatrix of mat. This feature saves computation during phase 1. If mat is singular, exit singular is taken;

begin

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for i := mu + 1 step 1 until nu do
      t2 := ip2(j, 0, mu, mat, w[j], vec);
      if t2 < t1 then begin alpha := i; t1 := t2 end
  procedure refine(mat, rhs, od, lp, up, vec, fi, si, ord, ill); value
    ord; integer ord, fi, si; real mat, rhs, od, lp, up, vec; label
  comment This procedure makes an iterative refinement of
    vec, which is the solution of the matrix equation mat × vec =
    rhs. The matrix mat has order ord. The LU decomposition of
    mat is specified by od, lp, and up. Exit ill is taken if mat is too
    ill-conditioned for the refinement process to be successful.
    Note the global identifier eta, whose value and purpose are
    array cor[0:ord]; real cnorm, snorm, eps, tt; integer cnt;
    cnorm := snorm := 0; cnt := cnt + 1;
      cor[fi] := -ip2(si, 0, ord, mat, vec, -rhs);
      si := fi; \quad tt := abs(vec);
      if tt > snorm then snorm := tt
trisolv(0, 1, ord, 0, fi-1, fi, si, cor[si], cor[fi], od, lp);
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trisolv(ord, -1, 0, fi+1, ord, fi, si, cor[si], cor[fi], od, up);
                                                                        end;
                                                                        comment Use the vector y to determine which basic variable
    for si := 0 step 1 until ord do
    begin
                                                                          becomes nonbasic. If the variable which has become non-
      tt := cor[si];
                                                                          basic is an artificial variable, remove it entirely from the
      vec := vec + tt;
                                                                          problem and make an appropriate rew and column inter-
      if abs(tt) > cnorm  then cnorm := abs(tt)
                                                                          change upon the basis matrix P;
    end:
                                                                        findbeta;
    if cnt > 15 then go to ill;
                                                                        if beta \ge gamma then
    if snorm \neq 0 then
                                                                        begin
      begin if cnorm/snorm > eps then go to loop end
                                                                          k := ix[alpha]; ix[alpha] := ix[beta]; ix[beta] := k;
  end refine;
                                                                          go to no removal
  comment At this point, infinity and eta are set to special
                                                                        end:
    values. Set infinity to the largest positive single-precision
                                                                        k := ro[gm1]; i := ro[gm1] := ro[beta]; ro[beta] := k;
    floating-point number. Set eta to the largest positive floating-
                                                                        P[k, beta] := 1.0; P[i, beta] := 0;
    point number such that 1.0 + eta = 1.0 - eta = 1.0 in single-
                                                                        ix[beta] := ix[gm1]; ix[gm1] := ix[alpha]; beta := gm1;
    precision arithmetic. The convergence of the iterative re-
                                                                        for i := alpha + 1 step 1 until nu do ix[i-1] := ix[i];
    finement process which is applied in refine is determined using
                                                                        gamma := gm1; gm1 := gm1 - 1; nu := nu - 1;
    eta;
                                                                      no removal:;
  prevz := -infinity;
                                                                        comment Produce the LU decomposition of the new basis
  for i := 0 step 1 until m do ro[i] := i;
                                                                          matrix;
  comment Determine from kappa whether phase 1 is to be
                                                                        k := ix[beta];
    skipped;
                                                                        for i := 0 step 1 until gm1 do P[ro[i],beta] := G[ro[i],k];
  if kappa \geq m then
                                                                        decompose(G[ro[j],l], gamma, gamma);
  begin
                                                                        comment Find the basic solution h;
    nu := n + kappa - m - 1; l := 0;
                                                                        trisolv(gamma, 1, mu, gamma, j - 1, j, k, v[k],
    for i := 0 step 1 until nu do
                                                                          b[ro[j]], P[ro[j],k], 1.0);
                                                                        trisolv(mu, -1, gamma, j + 1, mu, j, k, h[k], v[j],
     j := ind[i]; \quad \text{if } j \ge n \text{ then } l := 1; \quad ix[i] := j
                                                                          P[ro[j],k], P[ro[j],j]);
    end;
                                                                        for i := 0 step 1 until gm1 do
    mu := if l = 0 then m - 1 else m;
                                                                        begin
    go to phase 2
                                                                          k := ro[i];
                                                                          h[i] := -ip2(j, gamma, mu, h[j], P[k,j], -b[k]);
  end;
  mu := m-1; gamma := m-kappa; gm1 := gamma-1;
                                                                          w[k] := -1.0
  nu := n + gm1; l := n - m;
                                                                        end:
  comment Set up the appropriate phase 1 problem;
                                                                        comment Solve a linear system for the vector, w, of simplex
  for i := 0 step 1 until gm1 do
                                                                          multipliers;
  begin
                                                                        for i := gamma step 1 until mu do
    ix[i] := n + i;
                                                                        begin
    P[i, i] := 1.0;
                                                                          t1 := 0:
   for j := i + 1 step 1 until gm1 do P[i, j] := P[j, i] := 0;
                                                                          for j := 0 step 1 until gm1 do t1 := t1 + P[ro[j], i];
   for j := gamma + 1 step 1 until mu do P[i, j] := G[i, l+j]
                                                                          v[i] := t1
                                                                        end;
  for i := gamma step 1 until mu do
                                                                        trisolv(gamma, 1, mu, gamma, i - 1, i, j, v[j], v[i],
  begin
                                                                          P[ro[j], i] P[ro[i], i];
   ix[i] := l + i;
                                                                        trisolv \ (mu, -1, gamma, i + 1, mu, i, j, w[ro[j]], v[i], P[ro[j], i],
   for j := 0 step 1 until gm1 do P[i,j] := 0
                                                                          1.0);
                                                                        go to new phase 1 cycle;
  for i := m step 1 until nu do ix[i] := i - m;
                                                                      phase 2:;
 beta := gamma;
                                                                        comment Set up the appropriate phase 2 problem and make
  go to no removal;
                                                                          an initial LU decomposition if necessary;
new phase 1 cycle:;
                                                                        beta := 0:
  comment Begin a new simplex step on the phase 1 problem.
                                                                        if kappa < m then
    Check the phase 1 problem objective function;
                                                                        begin
 if ip2(i, 0, mu, w[i], b[i], 0) = 0 then go to phase 2:
                                                                          if gamma > 0 then
  comment Determine which nonbasic variable is to become
                                                                          begin
    basic;
                                                                            kappa := m; nu := nu + 1; mu := m;
 findalpha(G[j,k],0);
                                                                            ix[nu] := ix[mu]; ix[mu] := n + m
 if t1 \ge 0 then go to infeasible;
                                                                          end
 j := ix[alpha];
                                                                        end;
  comment Solve a linear system for a vector y;
                                                                        if kappa \ge m then go to decomp
 trisolv(gamma, 1, mu, gamma, l-1, l, k, v[k], G[ro[l], j],
                                                                        else trisolv(0, 1, mu, 0, j - 1, j, k, q[k], if ro[j] = m then 0 else
    P[ro[l],k], 1.0);
  trisolv(mu, -1, gamma, l + 1, mu, l, k, y[k], v[l],
                                                                          b[ro[j]], P[ro[j],k], 1.0);
    P[ro[l],k], P[ro[l],l]);
                                                                      new phase 2 cycle: ;
 for i := 0 step 1 until gm1 do
                                                                        comment Begin a new simplex step on the phase 1 problem.
 begin
                                                                          Solve a linear system for the vector, w, of simplex multipliers;
   l := ro[i];
                                                                        trisolv(0, 1, mu, 0, i - 1, i, j, v[j], dvec(ix[i]), P[ro[j],i], P[ro[i],i]);
   y[i] := -ip2(k, gamma, mu, y[k], P[l,k], -G[l,j])
                                                                        trisolv(mu, -1, 0, i + 1, mu, i, j, w[ro[j]], v[i], P[ro[j],i], 1.0);
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comment Determine which nonbasic variable is to become
   findalpha(Gmat(j,k), -dvec(k));
   comment Check whether the solution has been found;
   if t1 \geq 0 then go to finished;
not done yet:
  i := ix[alpha];
  comment Solve a linear system for a vector y;
   trisolv(0, 1, mu, 0, j - 1, j, k, v[k], Gmat(ro[j],i), P[ro[j],k], 1.0);
   trisolv(mu, -1, 0, j + 1, mu, j, k, y[k], v[j], P[ro[j],k], P[ro[j],j]);
   comment Use y to determine which basic variable is to be-
     come nonbasic;
  findbeta;
  if t1 = infinity then go to unbounded;
  k:=\mathit{ix}[\mathit{beta}]; \mathit{ix}[\mathit{beta}]:=\mathit{ix}[\mathit{alpha}]; \mathit{ix}[\mathit{alpha}]:=k;
  comment Produce the LU decomposition of the new basis
    matrix;
  decompose(Gmat(ro[j],l), 0, beta);
  comment Compute the basic solution h;
  trisolv(beta, 1, mu, 0, j - 1, j, k, q[k], if ro[j] = m then 0 else
    b[ro[j]], P[ro[j],k], 1.0);
  trisolv(mu, -1, 0, j + 1, mu, j, k, h[k], q[j], P[ro[j],k], P[ro[j],j]);
  go to new phase 2 cycle;
finished: ;
  comment Refine w and the basic solution h. Compute the
    objective function. Check the refined results to determine
    whether the optimum has been reached. If the check indicates
    nonoptimality but the objective function is less than any
    value previously computed for it, return the best basic solu-
    tion obtained so far and print a warning that the solution
    has doubtful validity;
  refine(Gmat(ro[j],ix[i]), dvec(ix[i]), P[ro[j],i], P[ro[i],i], 1.0,
    w[ro[j]], i, j, mu, singular);
  z := ip2(i, 0, m - 1, w[i], b[i], 0);
  if z < prevz then
    begin comment Print out "doubtful solution"; end
  else
  begin
    refine(Gmat(ro[j], ix[k]), if ro[j] = m then 0 else b[ro[j]],
      P[ro[j],k], 1.0, P[ro[j],j], h[k], j, k, mu, singular);
    l := n - 1; kappa := nu + 1;
    for i := 0 step 1 until l do x[i] := 0;
    for i := 0 step 1 until nu do ind[i] := ix[i];
    for i := 0 step 1 until mu do
    begin
      j:=ix[i];
      if j < n then x[j] := h[i]
    findalpha(Gmat(j,k), -dvec(k));
    if t1 < 0 then go to not done yet
  end
end linprog
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The policy concerning the contributions of algorithms to Communications of the ACM appears, most recently, in the January 1969 issue, page 39. A contribution should be in the form of an algorithm, a certification, or a remark. An algorithm must normally be written in the ALGOL 60 Reference Language or in USASI Standard FORTRAN or Basic FORTRAN.

CERTIFICATION OF ALGORITHM 292 [S22]

REGULAR COULOMB WAVE FUNCTIONS [Walter Gautschi, Comm. ACM 9 (Nov. 1966), 793]

AND OF

REMARK ON ALGORITHM 292 [S22]

REGULAR COULOMB WAVE FUNCTIONS [Walter Gautschi, Comm. ACM 12 (May 1969), 280]

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Both the original and the revised version of the procedure *Coulomb* have been translated into Fortran and tested on a Control Data 6600 computer. It became apparent that the following changes in the original version are necessary:

1. The second sentence in the **comment** following the statement labeled L1 in procedure Coulomb should be replaced by:

Similarly for the letter n in the next statement, which is a place holder for the number of digits carried in the main program.

2. The second statement after this comment (beginning "out-string . . .") should be changed to

if  $abs(d1 \times epsilon) < 10-m-1$  then

outstring (1, 'The requested accuracy cannot be guaranteed. Use of the procedure minimal in a higher precision mode appears indicated.');

Since the original version of *Coulomb* is to be superseded by the revised one (see Remark), detailed test results are given here only for the latter. Most of the tests have already been described in the Algorithm itself or in the Remark. Those presented here are obtained on a different machine, and the results differ slightly in some cases from the previous ones. The tests included the following:

- (i) Generation of  $\Phi_L(\eta,\rho) = [C_L(\eta)\rho^{L+1}]^{-1} F_L(\eta,\rho)$ , L=0(1)21, to 8 significant digits (d=8) for  $\eta=-5(1)5$ ,  $\rho=.2(.2)5$ . The results were in complete agreement with the values tabulated in [4] of Algorithm 292. In the cases where more than 8 significant digits are tabulated, the highest discrepancy was one unit in the last digit; e.g. for L=0,  $\eta=5$ ,  $\rho>3.4$ , 10 to 11 correct significant digits have been found.
- (ii) Computation of  $F_0(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $F_0'(\eta,\rho) = (d/d\rho)$   $F_0(\eta,\rho)$  to 5 significant digits for  $\eta = 0(2)12$ ,  $\rho = 0(5)40$ , using  $F'_0 = (\rho^{-1} + \eta)F_0 (1+\eta^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$   $F_1$ . Comparison with [5] of Algorithm 292 revealed frequent discrepancies of one unit in the fifth digit. For  $\eta = 2$ ,  $\rho = 40$  the discrepancy in  $F_0$  is 80 units of the fifth digit. This is probably an error in the table.
- (iii) Computation to 8 significant digits of  $F_0(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $F_0'(\eta,\rho)$  for  $\rho = 2\eta$ ,  $\rho = .5(.5)20(2)50$ . The results agreed completely with those published in [1] of Algorithm 292.
- (iv) Computation (with d=10) of the miscellaneous values of  $F_0(\eta,\rho)$  and  $\Phi_0(\eta,\rho)$  given in the Remark on Algorithm 292. The results obtained differ slightly from those given in the Remark. In the worst case,  $\eta=50$ ,  $\rho=120$ , the discrepancy is 16 units in the tenth digit.
- (v) After changing the dimensions of the arrays lambda, lmin into [0:600] and adjusting the upper limit for nu to 600 (see Remark on Algorithm 292),  $F_L(\eta,\rho)$  has been calculated with d=6 for  $\eta=-200(20)$  200,  $\rho=20(20)$  200, Lmax=0(50)100 merely to test whether overflow occurs or not. The following table indi-

cates where overflow, indefinite results, or convergence difficulties in the generation of  $\lambda_L$  (see Algorithm 292) have been observed.

ρ≥
200
200
180
100
80
60
60
60
40
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(vi) Calculation of  $F_L(\eta,\rho)$  for L=0(50)100 with d=7 for  $\eta=1$ ,  $\rho=10^{-n},\ n=-20(1)-1$ . Underflow occurred for  $L=50,\ n\leq 5$ ;  $L=100,\ n\leq 2$ . The valid results have been compared with those obtained by summation of the power series for  $\Phi_L(\eta,\rho)$  (see [4, (1.3) and (4.4)] of Algorithm 292). Agreement has been found to 7 significant digits.

(vii) Calculation of  $\Phi_L(\eta,\rho)$  to 13 significant digits (d=13) for  $\rho=5, \eta=0(1)5, L=0(10)100$ . The results have been compared with those obtained by summation in double-precision mode (27 digits) of the power series mentioned in (vi). Agreement was found to at least 12 significant digits. The constant  $2\pi$  in the statement  $t1:=\ldots$  on page 795 of Algorithm 292 was supplied here with 14 significant digits, as required by the **comment**.

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CERTIFICATION OF ALGORITHM 300 [S22] COULOMB WAVE FUNCTIONS [J. H. Gunn, Comm. ACM 10 (Apr. 1967), 244]

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The procedure *Coulomb* was checked for a few parameter values using the Algol compiler of the CDC 3800 computer at CERN. It was found that for  $\rho = \eta$  better results were obtained if the first line of the second if statement was altered to read:

if 
$$rho \leq (5 \times eta - 15)/3 \vee rho < eta$$
 then

It was also necessary to correct a misprint in the first constant following the **comment** "G[0] and Gd[0] are calculated on the transition line for  $rhom = 2 \times eta$ , ref. formulas 10.3-10.4, Fröberg." The line following this **comment** should read:

$$G[0] := 1.223404016 \times eta \uparrow (\frac{1}{6}) \times (1 + 0.0495957017/eta \uparrow (\frac{4}{3}))$$

The procedure was then translated into FORTRAN and tested in more detail on a CDC 6600 computer. The tests included the following:

(i) Generation of  $\Phi_L(\eta,\rho) = [C_L(\eta)\rho^{L+1}]^{-1} F_L(\eta,\rho)$ , L = 0(1)21 for  $\eta = 1(1)5$ ,  $\rho = 5$ . The results were compared with values tabulated in [1]. In most cases, 6 to 7 significant digits agreed, except for  $\eta = 1$ , where agreement was found to 3 to 4 significant

digits. It is interesting to compare some results for  $\rho = \eta = 5$  obtained with and without the first of the above corrections:

Without correction	With correction	Table [1] and Gautschi [2]
$6.554097_{10}3$	$6.552297_{10}3$	$6.552292_{10}3$
$1.865738_{10}1$	$1.865226_{10}1$	$1.865225_{10}1$
$5.354953_{10}0$	$5.353482_{10}0$	$5.353478_{10}0$
2.440859100	$2.440188_{10}0$	$2.440187_{10}0$
	$6.554097_{10}3 \\ 1.865738_{10}1 \\ 5.354953_{10}0$	$\begin{array}{lll} 6.554097_{10}3 & 6.552297_{10}3 \\ 1.865738_{10}1 & 1.865226_{10}1 \\ 5.354953_{10}0 & 5.353482_{10}0 \end{array}$

(ii) Computation of  $F_0(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $F_0'(\eta,\rho) = (d/d\rho)F_0(\eta,\rho)$  for  $\eta = 2(2)12$ ,  $\rho = 5(5)30$ . Comparison with the table of Tubis [3] revealed frequent discrepancies of 1 (occasionally 2) units of the fifth significant digit. However, disagreement was observed in many fewer cases when comparing the calculated results with those obtained by Gautschi's algorithm [2].

(iii) Computation of  $F_0(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $F_0'(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $G_0(\eta,\rho)$ , and  $G_0'(\eta,\rho)$  for  $\rho = 2\eta$ ,  $\rho = 5(.5)20(2)30$ . Comparing the results with the table of Abramowitz and Rabinowitz [4] or with the values obtained with Gautschi's algorithm, the following discrepancies were found in units of the seventh decimal place:

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F_0—frequently 1, occasionally 2, units for \rho \leq 10;
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 $F_0'$ —frequently 1 unit for  $\rho \leq 8.5$ ;

 $G_0$ —for  $\rho \le 8$  up to 40 units, for  $8 < \rho \le 14.5$  up to 2 or 3 units;  $G_0$ —for  $\rho \le 7.5$  up to 13 units.

(iv) Calculation of  $G_0(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $G_0'(\eta,\rho)$  for  $\eta=.5(.5)20$ ,  $\rho=5(1)20$ . The results have been compared with the tables given by Abramowitz [5]. Agreement was found in most cases to 5 significant digits. Discrepancies of 1, occasionally more, units of the fifth significant digit were found, mainly for arguments near a line separating two methods used in the algorithm. In some cases (in the immediate neighborhood of a zero of  $G_0$  or  $G_0'$ ) there was agreement to only 2 or 3 significant digits.

(v) Generation of  $F_L(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $F_L'(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $G_L(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $G_L'(\eta,\rho)$ ,  $\sigma_L(\eta)$ for L = 0(1)10,  $\rho = 5,10$ ,  $\eta = 1(1)5,10,25$ . As a first step, the results were compared with values given in a table by Lutz and Karvelis [6]. Since important discrepancies were noted for  $\eta = 1$ ,  $\rho = 5$ and  $\eta \geq 4$ , the values for  $F_L$  and  $F_{L'}$  were also calculated by Gautschi's algorithm, known to be correct by checking it against the table [1]. Lutz and Karvelis give 6 significant digits, but without commenting on a possible error tolerance. They state, "we test [the generated functions] to see how closely the Wronskian relation  $F_L'G_L - F_LG_{L'} = 1$  is obeyed." Comparison of their values with those obtained from Gautschi's algorithm shows, for  $\eta < 4$ , occasional discrepancies of 1 unit in the sixth significant digit. For  $\eta \geq 4$  [disregarding some obvious misprints, e.g. for  $G_1(2,10)$  and  $G'_{10}(10,10)$ ] there are discrepancies which in a few cases exceed a 100 units in the sixth significant digit. Because of this, the table of Lutz and Karvelis was used for checking the procedure Coulomb only for  $\eta < 4$ . For  $\eta \ge 4$  check values were obtained from Gautschi's algorithm ( $F_L$  and  $F_{L'}$  only). The following discrepancies were found in units of the sixth significant digit:

$$\eta = 1, \rho = 5$$
:  $F_L$ —up to 119 units  $(L = 8)$ .  $F_L$ '—up to 87 units  $(L = 0)$ .  $G_L$ —up to 350 units  $(L = 2)$ .

$$G_L'$$
—up to 247 units  $(L=0)$ .

 $\eta = 1, \rho = 10;$   $\eta = 2,3$ 

1 or 2 units in several cases, exceptionally more; one isolated case  $G_3(3,10)$  with 23 units. Comparison with Gautschi's values (where possible) gives better agreement.

 $\eta \geq 4$ : Occasionally 1 unit for  $F_L$  and  $F_{L'}$ .

 $\sigma_L(\eta)$  nearly always agreed to 6 significant digits for all tested  $\eta$ . To complete the check, values of the functions at  $\eta=1$ ,  $\rho=5$ ,

and  $\eta=\rho=5$  were calculated using the Algol procedure. The results agreed with those calculated by the Fortran program to the 6 significant digits which were compared.

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# REMARK ON ALGORITHM 292 [S22]

REGULAR COULOMB WAVE FUNCTIONS [Walter Gautschi, Comm. ACM 9 (Nov. 1966), 793]

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The following changes are suggested to eliminate the need for multiple-precision arithmetic. The underlying theory will be published in Aequationes Math.

- 1. Remove the procedure minimal.
- 2. Change the statement (near the bottom of page 794)

 $nu := if s \ge -.36788$  then entier  $(r \times t(s))$  else 1 to read:

 $nu := if s \ge -.36788$  then entier  $(r \times t(s))$  else r/2.7183

3. Change the statement labeled L1 to read

L1:  $d1 := 2 \times eta/(exp(2 \times eta \times arctan(1/omega)) - 1)$ 

and rephrase the comment following this statement to read:

comment The letter n in the following statement is a place holder for a machine-dependent integer, namely, the number of (equivalent) decimal digits carried in the mantissa of floating-point numbers. This integer must be properly substituted by the user;

4. Omit the output statement

outstring (1, 'The requested accuracy cannot be guaranteed. Use of the procedure minimal in a higher precision mode appears indicated');

5. Insert the statement

r1 := lmin[1];

between the two lines

end;

and

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lam[0] := -r1; \quad lam[1] := 1; \quad t1 := d1/(1+r1 \uparrow 2);
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6. Change the line (near the middle of page 795)

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s := sqrt(t1/(exp(t1)-1));
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to read

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s := exp(-t1/4)/sqrt((exp(t1/2) - exp(-t1/2))/t1);
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(These statements are mathematically equivalent, but the latter delays overflow as the value of t1 becomes large.)

7. If large values of  $|\eta|$  and/or  $\rho$ , say exceeding 100, are contemplated, it may be necessary to increase the dimension of the arrays lambda and lmin (if they are declared at the beginning of the procedure *Coulomb*) and to correspondingly increase the upper limit for nu in the conditional clause

if nu < 300

near the top of page 795. The user, in this case, should also be prepared to encounter overflow difficulties, especially in the later entries of the array lam.

With these revisions the algorithm produced correct results on the CDC 3600 for the three tests described at the end of Algorithm 292. It was also used (with input parameter d=10) to compute miscellaneous values of  $F_0(\eta, \rho)$  and  $\Phi_0(\eta, \rho)$  published in a paper by C. E. Fröberg (Numerical treatment of Coulomb wave functions. Rev. Mod. Phys. 27 (1955), 399-411). The results are summarized in the table below.

η	ρ	Algorithm 292 (revised)	Fröberg
9	50	$F_0 = 9.357085680_{10} - 1$	$9.3570855_{10} - 1$
50	80	$F_0 = 1.203662491_{10} - 3$	$1.203665_{10} - 3$
50	120	$F_0 = 2.002599349_{10} - 1$	$2.00255_{10} - 1$
100	4	$\Phi_0 = 5.722985154_{10}21$	$5.722985155_{10}21$
200	1	$\Phi_0 = 7.236604732_{10}14$	$7.236604731_{10}14$

In addition, the algorithm was run (with d=6, and lambda, lmin being declared as arrays of dimension [0:600]) for  $\eta=-200(20)200$ ,  $\rho=20(20)200$ , Lmax=0(50)100. Apparently valid results were obtained as long as  $\eta\leq 100$ , though no tables seem to exist to check these results against. Overflow was observed in some of the entries of the array lam, for  $\eta=120$ ,  $\rho\geq 120$ ;  $\eta=140$ ,  $\rho\geq 60$ ;  $\eta=160$ ,  $\rho\geq 40$ ; and  $\eta=200$ ,  $\rho\geq 20$ . (For the purpose of this test, a number is considered to overflow if its modulus exceeds 10300.)

## REMARK ON ALGORITHM 331

GAUSSIAN QUADRATURE FORMULAS [D1] [Walter Gautschi, Comm. ACM 11 (June 1968), 432]

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- 1. On pages 434 and 435 there are five strings, all of which have identical opening and closing string quotes.' and' should be replaced by 'and' in each case.
- 2. No space symbols appear in these strings.  $\sqcup$  should be inserted in each space. Otherwise, no spaces will appear in the printed messages.

- 3. In the second string, the hyphen in the word "violated" should be deleted.
  - 4. In the first column of page 433 there appear:

kmax := entier(capn/2);

and

if  $capn/2 \neq kmax$  then

Both these are critically dependent upon rounding error in the real division. Presumably,

 $kmax := capn \div 2;$ 

and

if  $capn \neq 2 \times kmax$  then

are intended.

5. A semicolon is necessary before the final **end** (on page 436). As things stand, this **end** is part of the comment, and the algorithm never finishes.

Alternatively, the semicolon after end Gauss, two columns earlier, could be deleted (in which case the symbol comment could also be deleted if desired, but need not be). If this were done, the final end would terminate the comment without the need for a preceding semicolon.

## REMARK ON ALGORITHM 334 [G5]

NORMAL RANDOM DEVIATES [James R. Bell, Comm. ACM 11 (July 1968), 498]

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Algorithm 334 produces pairs of normally distributed random deviates with zero mean and unit variance by the method of Box and Muller [1]. The sine and cosine required by the Box-Muller method are calculated by the von Neumann rejection technique [2]. This technique allows the calculation of the sine and cosine of an angle uniformly distributed over the interval  $(0, 2\pi)$  without referencing the sine, cosine, or square root functions. We note however, that Algorithm 334 require as square root calculation in inverting the distribution function of the radius (equal to  $L \times S$  in the notation of the algorithm).

We suggest that since the square root calculation seems unavoidable, it can be used to obtain the required sine and cosine by more conventional means. Thus we propose sampling points from a density uniform over the unit disk in the X, Y-plane and calculating the sine and cosine from their definition in terms of the legs and hypotenuse of a right triangle. The following changes in Algorithm 334 are then necessary:

- a. Replace X := R by  $X := 2 \times R 1$
- b. Replace  $L := sqrt(-2 \times ln(R))/S$  by  $L := sqrt(-2 \times ln(R)/S)$
- c. Replace  $D1 := (XX YY) \times L$  by  $D1 := X \times L$
- d. Replace  $D2 := 2 \times X \times Y \times L$  by  $D2 := Y \times L$

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REMARK ON ALGORITHM 340 [C2]

ROOTS OF POLYNOMIALS BY A ROOT-SQUARING AND RESULTANT ROUTINE [Albert Noltemeier, Comm. ACM 11 (Nov. 1968), 779]

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CR CATEGORIES: 5.15

The following misprints were found in the algorithm and should be corrected as indicated:

- 1. In the comment, in the first column on page 780, the last line before the paragraph beginning with the word "Parameters" ends with a semicolon; it should end with a period.
- 2. In the seventh line following the word "Parameters" the abbreviation CDC should appear in capital letters.
- 3. In the procedure body, in the second column on page 780, the line before the label *SQUARING OPERATION* is missing. It should read as follows:

for j := 0 step 1 until d do a[j, 0] := c[j];

# Corrigenda

### INDEX BY SUBJECT TO ALGORITHMS 1960-1968

In this index [Comm. ACM, 11 (Dec. 1968), 827-830], 10 lines were omitted from the classification G6. The complete classification G6 should appear as follows:

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     130 PERMUTE
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     161 COMBS. 1,2,UP TO N AT A TIME
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In addition in Classification H, Algorithm 332 should be Algorithm 333 and the line should read

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