

## MarcumQ

**MarcumQ**(*m*, *a*, *b*)

The MarcumQ function returns the generalized Q-function defined by the integral

$$Q_m(a,b) = \int_b^{\infty} u \left(\frac{u}{a}\right)^{m-1} \exp\left(-\frac{(a^2 + u^2)}{2}\right) I_{m-1}(au) du$$

where  $I_k$  is the modified Bessel function of the first kind and order  $k$ .

Its applications have been primarily in the fields of communication and detection theory. However, an interesting interpretation of its result with  $m=1$  and appropriate parameter scaling is the fractional power of a two-dimensional circular Gaussian function within a displaced circular aperture.

Depending on the input arguments, the MarcumQ function may be computationally intensive but you can abort the calculation at any time.

### References

Cantrell, P.E., and A.K. Ojha, Comparison of Generalized Q-Function Algorithms, *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, IT-33, 591-596, 1987.

Simon, M. K., A New Twist on the Marcum Q-Function and Its Application, *IEEE Communications Letters*, 3, 39-41, 1998.

## MarkPerfTestTime

**MarkPerfTestTime** *idval*

Use the MarkPerfTestTime operation for performance testing of user-defined functions in conjunction with SetIgorOption DebugTimer. When used between SetIgorOption DebugTimer, Start and SetIgorOption DebugTimer, Stop, MarkPerfTestTime stores the ID value and the time of the call in a buffer. When SetIgorOption DebugTimer, Stop is called the contents of the buffer are dumped to a pair of waves: W\_DebugTimerIDs will contain the ID values and W\_DebugTimerVals will contain the corresponding times of the calls relative to the very first call. The timings use the same high precision mechanism as the StartMSTimer and StopMSTimer calls.

By default, SetIgorOption DebugTimer, Start allocates a buffer for up to 10000 entries. You can allocate a different sized buffer using SetIgorOption DebugTimer, Start=bufsize.

### See Also

**SetIgorOption**, **StartMSTimer**, and **StopMSTimer**.

Additional documentation can be found in an example experiment, PerformanceTesting.pxp, and a WaveMetrics procedure file, PerformanceTestReport.ipf.

## MatrixBalance

**MatrixBalance** [*flags*] *srcWave*

The MatrixBalance operation permutes and/or scales an NxN real or complex matrix to obtain a similar matrix that is more stable for subsequent calculations such as eigenvalues and eigenvectors. Balancing a matrix is useful when some matrix elements are much smaller than others.

MatrixBalance saves the resulting matrix in the wave specified by the /DSTM flag. It creates a secondary output wave specified by the /DSTS flag containing permutation and scaling information.

MatrixBalance was added in Igor Pro 9.00.

### Parameters

*srcWave* must be single-precision or double-precision floating point, real or complex, and must contain no NaNs. MatrixBalance returns an error if these conditions are not met.

### Flags

/DSTM=*dest*                      Specifies the destination wave for the balanced output matrix. If you omit /DSTM, the output is saved in M\_Balanced in the current data folder.

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<code>/DSTS=dest</code>	Specifies the destination wave for the scaling array. If you omit <code>/DSTS</code> , the scaling wave is saved as <code>W_Scale</code> in the current data folder.
<code>/FREE</code>	Creates free destination waves when they are specified via <code>/DSTM</code> or <code>/DSTS</code> .
<code>/J=job</code>	<i>job</i> is one of the following letters: N <i>srcWave</i> is not permuted or scaled. P <i>srcWave</i> is permuted but not scaled. S <i>srcWave</i> is scaled but not permuted. The scaling applies a diagonal similarity transformation to make the norms of the various columns close to each other. B <i>srcWave</i> is both scaled and permuted (default).
<code>/Z</code>	Do not report any errors. <code>V_flag</code> will be set to 0 if successful or to an error code. <code>V_min</code> and <code>V_max</code> will be set to NaN in case of an error.

### Details

Matrix balancing is usually called internally by LAPACK routines when there is large variation in the magnitude of matrix elements. The `/J` flag supports the granularity of applying only permutation, only scaling or both.

After balancing there will be a block diagonal form that could typically be handled using Schur decomposition (see `MatrixSchur`). The rows/columns corresponding to this block diagonal are saved in zero based `V_min` and `V_max`. The scaling wave `W_scale[i]` (for  $i < V\_min$ ) contains the index of the row/column that was interchanged with row/col  $i$ . For  $i \geq V\_min$  the scaling wave contains the scaling factor use to balance row and column  $i$ .

When you balance *srcWave* using this operation the resulting eigenvectors belong to the balanced matrix. Use **MatrixReverseBalance** to obtain the eigenvectors of *srcWave*.

When solving for the Schur vectors of *srcWave* after using `/J=P` for permuting only, use **MatrixReverseBalance** to transform the vectors. If you are solving for the Schur vectors do not use either `/J=S` or `/J=B` because that balancing transformation is not orthogonal.

### Output Variables

<code>V_Flag</code>	Set to zero when the operation succeeds. Otherwise, when <code>V_flag</code> is positive the value is a standard error code. When <code>V_flag</code> is negative it is an indication of a wrong input parameter.
<code>V_min</code>	Set to zero if <code>/J=N</code> or <code>/J=S</code> .
<code>V_max</code>	Set to $N-1$ (where $N$ is the number of rows or columns) if <code>/J=N</code> or <code>/J=S</code> .

When `/J=B` or `/J=P` the matrix `M_Balanced[i][j]=0` if  $i > j$  and  $j=0 \dots V\_min-2$  or  $i=V\_max, \dots N-1$ .

### Examples

```
Function DemoMatrixBalance1()  
    // Generate random unbalanced data  
    Make/D/O/N=(7,7) srcWave=p+10*q+enoise(5)  
    MatrixBalance srcWave  
    Wave M_Balanced  
    Wave W_Scale  
  
    MatrixOP/O/FREE matD=diagonal(W_Scale)  
    MatrixOP/O/FREE matDInv=inv(matD)  
  
    // Check that W_Scale produces the correct balanced matrix  
    MatrixOP/O/FREE matProd=matDInv x srcWave x matD  
  
    // Compare with M_Balanced  
    MatrixOP/O/FREE/P=1 aa=sum(abs(M_Balanced-matProd))  
End  
Function DemoMatrixBalance2()  
    Make/O/N=(3,3) mat
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