In 1991 I read a USENET message about a new programming language called J. J's Turing award winning designer Kenneth Iverson had deeply influenced me with his first language APL so I knew J was worth a look. J did not disappoint. J's rare combination of theoretical coherence, productivity, array orientation and elegance is a daily delight.

JOD is a J programming tool that reflects my word oriented approach to J coding. The inspiration for JOD comes from Roger Hui and Kenneth Iverson's *Dictionary of J*: a seminal document that correctly highlights the power of the J word.

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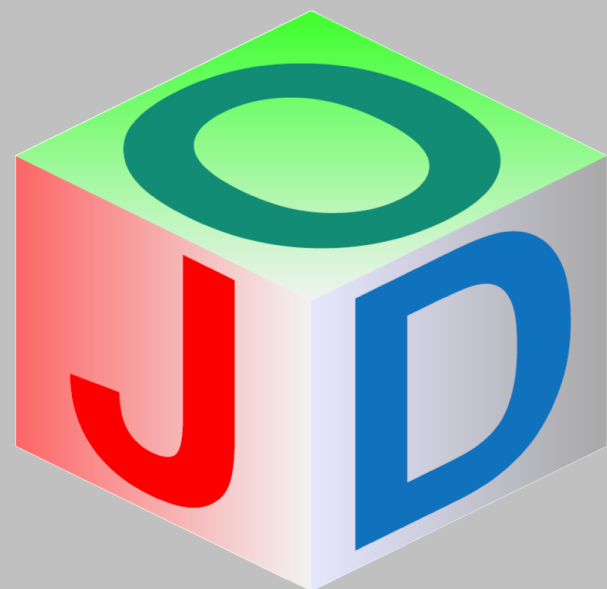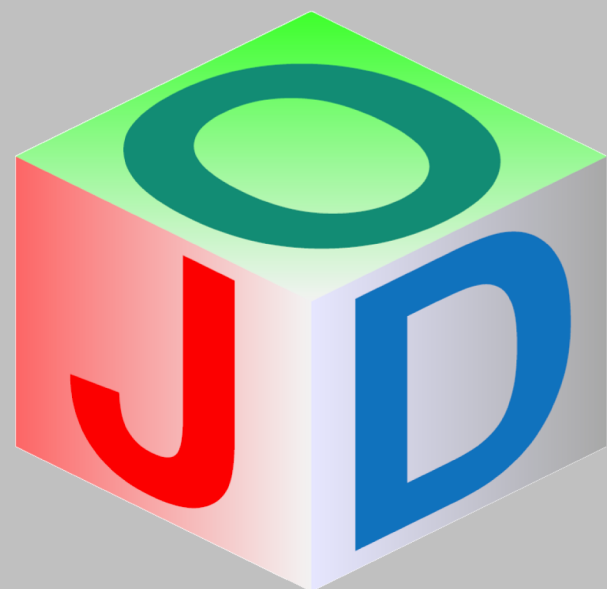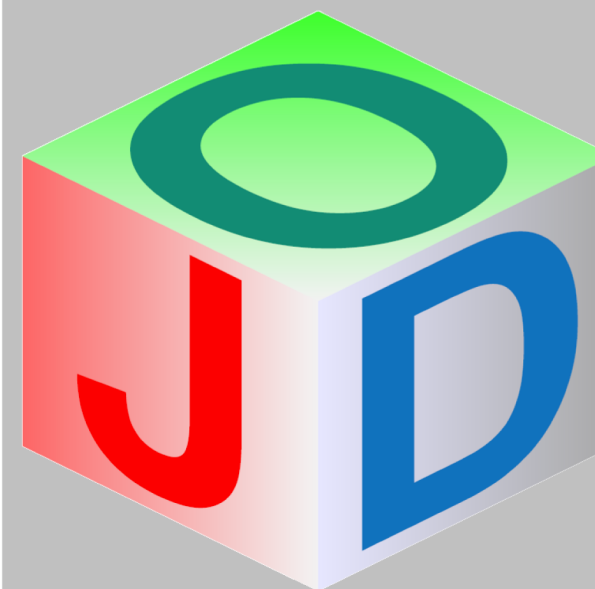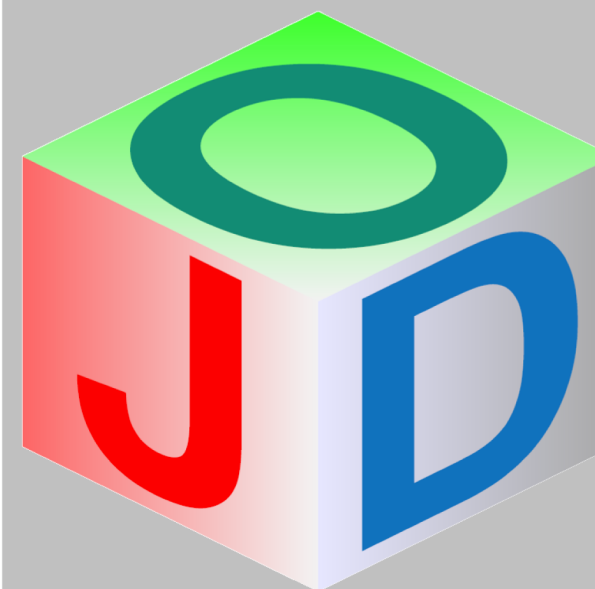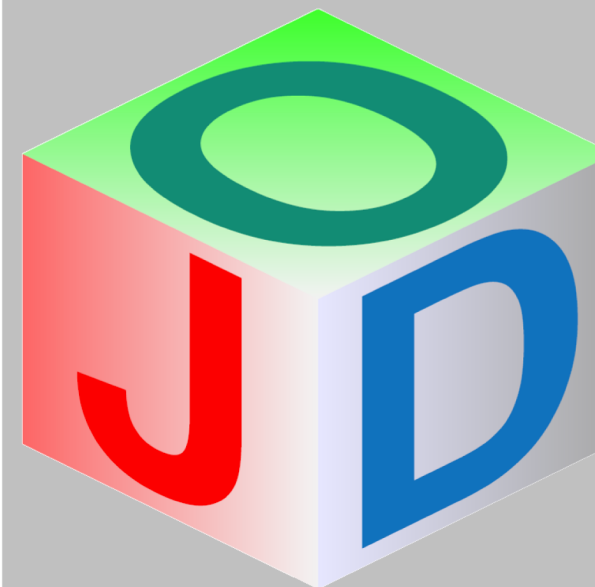
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