

# Predefined SIMULA Procedures

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## 1. Basic procedures

### REM

```
integer procedure rem(a, b); integer a, b;
rem := The remainder of dividing a by b
```

**ABS**

```
<type of arg> procedure abs(arg); < arithmetical type > arg;
abs := if arg < 0 then -arg else arg;
```

**SIGN**

```
integer procedure sign(a); <arithmetical type> a;
sign := if a < 0 then -1 else if a = 0 then 0 else 1;
```

**ENTIER**

```
integer procedure entier(a); real a;
entier := < the largest integer less than or equal to a >
```

**MOD**

```
integer procedure mod(a, b); integer a, b;
mod := < a modulo b >;
```

**MIN**

```
<type> procedure min(a, b); <type> a, b;
min := < the smaller of a and b >;
```

**MAX**

```
<type> procedure max(a, b); <type> a, b;
max := < the larger of a and b >;
```

Legal parameter types for MAX and MIN are **text**, **character**, **real-type** and **integer-type**.

**UPPERBOUND**

```
integer procedure upperbound(arr, dim);
<type> array arr;
integer dim;
upperbound := < the upper bound for the array in dimension dim >;
```

**LOWERBOUND**

```
integer procedure lowerbound(arr, dim);
<type> array arr;
integer dim;
lowerbound:= < the lower bound for the array in dimension dim >;
```

**2. Time and date****DATETIME**

```
text procedure datetime;
datetime :- copy( text with the format "YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS.ssss");
```

**CPUTIME**

```
long real procedure cputime;
cputime := the number of processor seconds used by the program
```

**CLOCKTIME**

```
long real procedure clocktime;
clocktime := < the number of seconds since midnight >
```

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**3. Text procedures****COPY**

```
text procedure copy(t); text t;
copy :- a copy of the text object referenced by t
```

**BLANKS**

```
text procedure blanks(n); integer n;
blanks :- a text object containing n blanks
```

**CHAR**

```
character procedure char(n); integer n;
char := < the character with Rank equal to n
in the locally used character sequence >;
```

**ISOCHAR**

```
character procedure isochar(n)- integer n;
isochar := < the character with Rank equal to n
in the ISO character sequence >;
```

**RANK**

```
integer procedure rank(c); character c;
rank := < the Rank of character c in the locally used
character sequence >;
```

**ISORANK**

```
integer procedure isorank(c); character c;
isorank := < the Rank of character c in the ISO
character sequence >;
```

**DIGIT**

```
boolean procedure digit(c); character c;
digit := < true if c is a decimal digit; false otherwise >;
```

**LETTER**

```
boolean procedure letter(c); character c;
letter := < true if c is a letter; false otherwise >;
```

**UPCASE**

```
text procedure uppercase(t); text t;
uppercase :- < t after converting every letter in t to upper case >;
```

**LOWCASE**

```
text procedure lowercase(t); text t;
lowercase :- < t after converting every letter in t to lower case >;
```

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## 4. Implementation-dependent procedures

### MAXINT

```
integer procedure maxint;
maxint := < the largest possible integer >;
```

### MININT

```
integer procedure minint;
minint := < the smallest possible integer >;
```

### MAXREAL

```
real procedure maxreal;
maxreal := < the largest possible real >;
```

### MINREAL

```
real procedure minreal;
minreal := < the smallest possible real >;
```

### MAXRANK

```
integer procedure maxrank;
maxrank := <number of characters in the locally used character
sequence>;
```

### ADDEPSILON

```
<type of E> procedure addepsilon(E); <real-type> E;
addepsilon := E + < the smallest possible difference between two
reals >;
```

**AddEpsilon** provides the *NEXT* real value (if it exists) according to the local implementation of real numbers.

### SUBEPSILON

```
<type of E> procedure subepsilon(E); <real-type> E;
subepsilon := E - < the smallest possible difference between two
reals >;
```

**SubEpsilon** provides the *PREVIOUS* real value (if it exists) according to the local implementation of real numbers.

### MAXLONGREAL

```
long real procedure maxlongreal;
maxlongreal := < the largest possible double precision real >;
```

### MINLONGREAL

```
long real procedure minlongreal;
minlongreal := < the smallest possible double precision real >;
```

### SIMULAID

```
text simulaid;
```

The **value of this text** has the following format:

```
<simid>!!! <siteid>!!!<OS>!!!<CPU>!!!<user>!!!<job>!!!<acc>!!!<prog>
```

where

<simid> =	Identification of the Simula system
<siteid> =	Identification of the installation
<OS> =	Identification of the operating system
<CPU> =	Identification of the computer
<user> =	Identification of the user
<job> =	Identification of the job
<acc> =	Identification of the account
<prog> =	Identification of the program

Note that the name of this procedure stands for SIMULA ID; and not SIMUL AID.

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## 5. Debugging

### SOURCELINE

```
integer procedure sourceline;
sourceline := < the number of the program line in which the
               invocation of this procedure occurs > ;
```

### ERROR

```
procedure error(t); text t;
displays the text t and stops the program
```

### TERMINATE\_PROGRAM

```
procedure terminate_program;
< Closes SYSIN and SYSOUT and then stops the program > ;
```

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## 6. Mathematical functions

### LN

```
real procedure ln(r); real r;
ln := < the natural logarithm of r >
```

### LOG10

```
real procedure log10(r); real r;
log10 := < the base_10 logarithm of r >
```

### EXP

```
real procedure exp(r); real r;
exp := < e raised to the power of r >
```

### SQRT

```
real procedure sqrt(r); real r;
sqrt := < the square root of r >;
```

**Note:** In all the trigonometric functions which follow angles are measured in **radians** and angular results are between - pi/2 and pi/2 .

### SIN

```
real procedure sin(r); real r;
sin := < the sine of r >;
```

### COS

```
real procedure cos(r); real r;
cos := < the cosine of r >;
```

**TAN**

```
real procedure tan(r); real r;
tan := < the tangent of r >;
```

**COTAN**

```
real procedure cotan(r); real r;
cotan := < the cotangent of r
```

**ARCSIN**

```
real procedure arcsin(r); real r;
arcsin := < the arcsine of r >;
```

**ARCCOS**

```
real procedure arccos(r); real r;
arccos := < the arccosine of r
```

**ARCTAN**

```
real procedure arctan(r); real r;
arctan := < the arctangent of r
```

**SINH**

```
real procedure sinh(r); real r;
sinh := < the hyperbolic sine of r
```

**TANH**


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```
real procedure tanh(r); real r;
tanh := < the hyperbolic tangent of r >;
```

**7. Random numbers****DRAW**

```
boolean procedure draw(p, seed);
name seed; real p; integer seed;
draw := true with probability p, false with probability (1 - p)
```

**RANDINT**

```
integer procedure randint(low, high, seed);
name seed; integer low, high, seed;
```

Randint returns one of the integers in [ low, low + 1,... high] with equal probability.

**UNIFORM**

```
long real procedure uniform(low, high, seed);
name seed; long real low, high; integer seed;
uniform := a value chosen uniformly on the interval [low .. high]
```

**NORMAL**

```
long real procedure normal(mean, stdv, seed);
  name seed; long real mean, stdv; integer seed;
```

Normal returns a value chosen so that, if the fonction is used a largenumber of times with the same parameters, the values will bave an average value **mean** with a standard deviation of **stdv**.

Some additional and rather specialized predefined functions that may be used to draw numbers randomly are not described here.