Programming in C with CCATSL

Historical Introduction

This manual consists of a short reference for the C language and a more substantial reference for version 2.1d of the CATAM software library, CCATSL: a collection of mathematical and graphical routines for use with a range of popular C compilers.

The CATAM projects, which originated in 1969 for Mathematics undergraduates in the University of Cambridge, with the object of encouraging computer exploration of aspects of the syllabus for the Mathematical Tripos. Originally, CATAM stood for Computer-Aided Teaching of *Applied* Mathematics, but this was extended several years ago to Computer-Aided Teaching of *All* Mathematics. It was pioneered by Dr Robert Harding of the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics (DAMTP); today it is supervised by the Computational Projects Assessors Committee, chaired by the Director Dr Nikolaos Nikiforakis of DAMTP.

Serious computer work begins in the second year: undergraduates become familiar with the C language, with the mathematical and graphical routines comprising CCATSL, and with networked computers. There are varied projects in the second year covering pure and applied, statistical and applicable mathematics. In the third year, the choice is very wide, and the projects relate directly to specific lecture courses in the Mathematical Tripos. These include fluid and solid mechanics, quantum theory, dynamics, general relativity, astrophysics, numerical methods, optimization, dynamical systems, number and group theory, algebra, analysis, statistics and probability. Most students now take the CATAM option, and it can contribute significantly towards the class of degree. The CATAM Software Library has been carefully designed to facilitate the programming of projects in C, removing much of the tedious work in equation solving, graphics, and screen layout. New users can begin with the high-level graphics routines where minimum knowledge is required, and gradually develop their expertise towards the lower levels which demand a more detailed understanding.

There is no argument today about the fundamental place of computer methods in mathematics. As is being demonstrated in research laboratories throughout the world, the combination of numerical methods with computer programming is bringing to life so much that was formerly intractable. Successful completion of CATAM projects implies the development of important programming and investigative skills of widespread value in industrial and commercial work, as well as in scientific research.

This version of the manual, in both printed form and online version (which can be accessed from the CATAM home web page, http://www.maths.cam.ac.uk/catam), was prepared for the Faculty of Mathematics by Giles Thompson, based on the two previous versions: the *Scientific Programmer's Toolkit* by M. H. Beilby, R. D. Harding and M. R. Manning, which is the primary reference for the chapter on Mathematical routines, and the *CATAM Manual* by John Evans.

Typographical Conventions

We will use a few typographical conventions throughout this manual. A fixed-pitch font will indicate text, possibly just single words, which would normally appear in a program listing, such as printf.

Function definitions follow a standard layout:

Here we are presenting the definition of the function CubicRootsCL, which solves a cubic equation. The left-hand and middle columns give the return type (void) and the name of the function (CubicRootsCL) while the right-hand column gives the type of each argument. Note that some of the arguments to CubicRootsCL are declared with a * (see Section 1.4.5) indicating that Cubic will use nroots, r1, r2 and r3 to pass back information about the roots of the cubic; the values of a, b and c will not be changed by CubicRootsCL. After a definition like this comes a description of the meaning of all the arguments:

a, b, c	The coefficients in the cubic equation $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$.
nroots	Pointer to a variable to hold the number of roots when CubicRootsCL returns.
r1, r2, r3	Pointers to variables to hold the roots, in non-decreasing order.

From this information we can see that a typical call of CubicRootsCL might look like

CubicRootsCL(0,-1, 0, &n, &a, &b, &c);

which will solve $x^3 - x = 0$, by setting n = 3, a = -1, b = 0 and c = 1 to indicate the three roots.

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Chapter 1

Programming in C

1.1 Introduction

This chapter is a partial reference manual for the C language and the standard C library, concentrating on the parts likely to be useful to mathematics undergraduates writing programs for the CATAM projects, using computers on the University PWF, and emphasizing the differences between C and Pascal. The code extracts in the chapter do not use the CCATSL functions but can be compiled with the gcc software supplied with CCATSL—see the CCATSL on-line info.

Although some features of the PWF setup will not be shared with C compilers in general, this will be hilighted in the text, and most of the information will probably be useful to students programming in C on other systems.

This is not a tutorial, and users new to C and to CCATSL are strongly advised to seek out the 'Green Book', *Learning to use C and the CATAM Software Library*, by Dr C. D. Warner, which gives a gentle introduction to both the C language and the CCATSL library.

Less importance aspects of the language will not be covered, and we will refer the reader to a proper reference like:

The C Programming Language by B. W. Kernighan and D. M. Ritchie, Prentice Hall. Another book on C which may be helpful is:

A Book on C by Al Kelley and Ira Pohl, Addison-Wesley, fourth edition.

1.2 Some examples

The basic language elements are most easily illustrated with examples. Our first example just prints a friendly greeting:

```
/* /examples/chapter1/hello.c */
#include <stdio.h>
int main(void) {
    printf("Hello from CATSL!\n");
    return 0;
}
```

The first line is a comment; its starts with the /* and continues until the next */ is found (it could extend over several lines). The next line gives access to the standard input-output library, which is necessary to use the printf function. The next line is blank for clarity (blank lines and spaces can be inserted liberally to make programs easier to read).

The rest of the file defines a function called main. This is the function which will be called when the program starts executing. Observe that main is defined as returning an integer value (the int keyword), it takes no arguments (the (void)) and that the body of the function is contained between curly brackets, { and }. Inside main we have two statements: first we print the greeting, which ends with a newline character (the \n is interpreted as a newline), and then we return a value of 0 (it is normal for main to return 0 if the program doesn't encounter any errors).

A few important rules are obeyed by our program:

- each statement must be terminated with a semi-colon,
- strings are enclosed in double-quotes,
- C is case-sensitive (replace printf with Printf and the program will not work),
- even though printf is a function (it returns an int), we can ignore its return value. C lets you ignore the return from any function; used in this way, printf behaves much like a procedure in Pascal.

Time for a more complex example. Our next program prompts the user for a number, and then computes the volume of the sphere with that radius.

```
/* Compute the volume of a sphere, given the radius
    /examples/chapter1/sphere.c */
#include <stdio.h>
#define PI 3.14159265358979323846
int main(void) {
   float r, vol;
   do {
     printf("Enter radius (0 to quit): ");
     scanf("%f",&r);
     vol = 4.0*PI*r*r*r/3.0;
     printf("radius = %f\n volume = %f\n",r,vol);
   } while (r > 0);
   return 0;
}
```

Since standard C does not define π , we do so ourselves with a #define statement. In main we declare the variables r and vol as storing floats (a kind of floating-point number). Variables must be declared before they are used, and at the start of a 'compound-statement' (the curly brackets define the start and end of a compound-statement).

We use a do-while loop to let the user calculate the volume of several spheres without having to re-run the program. Within the loop we prompt the user for the radius with printf, read it in with scanf (we'll describe scanf in more detail shortly), calculate the volume and write out the answer. Note that assignment is a simple = in C, rather than := as in Pascal.

To read in the radius, we use the function scanf. The first argument, the string, tells scanf how to interpret what the user types (the %f indicates we want a single floating-point number and asks for the number to be stored in a float variable), while the second, &r tells scanf to put the answer in r.

To write out the answer, we again use printf, but this time with three arguments. The first is the 'format string', which is mostly just copied to the screen (note the \n newline characters), except for the %f sequences which printf replaces, in turn, with the value of the other arguments: the first %f is replaced with the value of r, and the second with the value of vol.

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The entire compound-statement between the curly brackets after the do keyword is repeated until the while condition fails, i.e. until the user enters a non-positive radius (note that the program will still write out the radius and volume when this happens because the while condition is only checked at the bottom of the compound-statement). Unlike Pascal, the brackets in the while statement around the continuation condition, r > 0, are required in C.

We finish with a more complex example, which contains almost everything required to a really useful C program.

```
/* Use binary section to locate cube-roots
    /examples/chapter1/cube_root.c */
#include <stdio.h>
float f(float x) {
 return x*x*x;
ł
int main(void) {
 float guess, f_guess;
 float cube;
  float lower_bound, upper_bound;
  int iter, max_iters;
 printf("Enter maximum number of iterations: ");
  scanf("%d", &max_iters);
 printf("Enter number to cube-root: ");
  scanf("%f", &cube);
 lower_bound = 0;
 upper_bound = 100;
  iter = 0;
  while (iter <= max_iters) {</pre>
    guess = 0.5*(lower_bound + upper_bound);
    f_quess = f(quess);
   printf("Iteration %d: ",iter);
   printf("guess = %f, f(guess) = %f\n",guess,f_guess);
    if (f_guess < cube) {
      lower_bound = guess;
    } else {
      upper_bound = guess;
    if (upper_bound - lower_bound < 5e-7) {
      /* We may aswell stop here */
      return 0;
    }
    iter = iter+1;
  }
 return 0;
}
```

Most of this should be fairly self-explanatory. The most important difference is that we define a function f as well as main. This function takes a single float argument and returns a float, its cube. It is worth pointing out that as soon as the return statement in f executes, the function will return: any statements inside f after the return statement (here there happen to be none) would never be executed. In main, we declare the variables iter and max_iters to be ints (the normal integer type). These must be handled differently from floats in scanf and printf statements. Where with floats we used %f, ints need %d.

Rather than a do-while loop, here we have used a while loop. The only significant difference is that the continuation condition (iter <= max_iters) is tested before the compound-statement

is executed, rather than at the end.

We also use an if-else construction to adjust the bounds according to whether the the cube root lies to the left or right side of the current guess.

1.3 Variables

1.3.1 Declarations and scope

The syntax of most variable declarations is simple: the type of the variable, followed a list of names, or names with array bounds:

The name can contain any sequence of numbers, letters, or the underscore character _ but cannot start with a number. The ANSI C standard dictates that only the first six characters in a variable's name are significant, but this restriction is ignored by most C compilers. A variable can only be declared at the start of a compound-statement,

```
{ /* curly brackets starting a compound-statement */
int n_iters;
float answer;
   /* use n_iters and answer here */
} /* end of the compound-statement */
```

and can be used anywhere inside the compound-statement (we say that the 'scope' of the variable is confined to the compound-statement), or outside of any compound-statement, when it can be accessed from any point below its declaration. In the latter case, the variables are frequently declared right at the top of the program, and are thus visible everywhere (so called 'global' variables):

```
int i;
int f(void) {
   /* can use i here */
}
int main(void) {
   /* can use i here too */
}
```

Variables can be initialized when they are declared:

```
int f(int k) {
    int n_0 = 23; /* fine */
    int m_0 = k;
}
```

If you start a new compound-statement, for example with an if-else construction, you can use the opportunity to declare new variables, but the new variables will only be visible inside the new compound-statement, below the declaration.

If a variable is declared when there is already a variable in scope with the same name, the second declaration obscures the first:

```
{
  int n = 1;
  /* .. */
  {
    int p = n; /* ok, the only n in scope is declared above */
    int n; /* declare a new n, shadowing the one above */
    n = 23; /* effects the n declared on the line above */
  }
  /* n is 1 here, and there is no p in scope */
}
```

1.3.2 Automatic conversions and casts

Once variables have been declared, they can be manipulated and combined in various ways. Exactly which operators may be applied to a variable depends on its type: for example all the numerical types support the usual arithmetic operations (addition, multiplication etc.) but only integer types support the modulus operator, %.

Sometimes you need to convert from one type to another, for example when assigning an int to a floating-point type. It is clear what the result of such a conversion should be, and C is prepared to convert between most pairs of related types automatically:

```
int a = 6;
float b = 3.5;
int c;
c = b; /* ok, b gets rounded towards zero, so c=3 */
b = a; /* ok, b becomes the real number 6 */
```

To convert between types for which an automatic conversion does not exist, or to force a conversion at a convenient moment, use a cast:

Without the cast, n/m will be evaluated using integer division (which returns the quotient, discarding the remainder). The cast forces m to be converted to a float, after which n is automatically converted to a floating-point type and the division is done floating-point.

1.3.3 Storage-class specifiers (advanced)

A variable declaration can also be preceded by a storage-class specifier: auto, extern, register or static. Here we will only describe static, and refer the reader to a more complete reference manual for descriptions of the others.

Variables declared at the start of a compound-statement are only visible inside that compoundstatement. Normally, each time the thread of execution enters a compound-statement, space is allocated for these variables and, if necessary, they are initialized. When it leaves, the space occupied by the variables is reclaimed and the value held by the variable is lost. If the declaration is prefixed with static, the variable will not be destroyed when compound-statement is left, and its value will be preserved. For example:

```
float f(float x) {
  static int init = 0;
  if (init == 0) {
    /* put setup code here */
    init = 1;
  }
  /* by now things will be setup */
}
```

Here we have a function f which must do some complex setup when its called for the first time. By using a static variable, we can tell when this happens. init will be initialized to zero as the program is loaded, and the first time f is called the setup code will run, and set init to one. On subsequent calls to f, init will still be one and the setup code will not be repeated.

1.4 Types

1.4.1 Numerical types

C has a wide range of numerical types, of which the most useful are int, float and double. The ranges of the various types on the PWF system are given in the tables below. (Three types not shown are signed short, signed int and signed long, which are synonyms for short, int, and long respectively). To find out the ranges on other systems, use the code at the end of this section. On many systems, float quantities lack precision and double quantities are to be preferred. On the PWF all CCATSL functions require double floating-point quantities.

Literals

Integer literals, such as 2 and -3425 can be entered in the normal way, and floating-point literals may be entered in a number of formats .34, 0.34, 3.4e-1, 3.4E-1 etc. (see also Section 1.4.2).

Operators

All the numerical types support the usual binary arithmetic operations, addition +, subtraction -, multiplication *, and division /, and also unary minus -. Note that dividing two integer types does not give a floating-point number, but another integer, the quotient. In particular, an expression like n/2 when n is an integer type is treated as integer division. To get the correct (floating-point)

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type name	size (bytes)	lower limit	upper limit
unsigned char	1	0	255
signed char	1	-128	127
char	1	-128	127
unsigned short	2	0	65535
short	2	-32768	32767
unsigned int	4	0	4294967295
int	4	-2147483648	2147483647
unsigned long	4	0	4294967295
long	4	-2147483648	2147483647

Table 1.1: The integer numerical types on the PWF system.

type name	size (bytes)	positive lower limit	positive upper limit	epsilon
float	4	1.175494e - 38	3.402823e + 38	$1.192093e{-}07$
double	8	2.225074e - 308	1.797693e + 308	2.220446e - 16
long double	12	2.225074e - 308	1.797693e + 308	2.220446e - 16

Table 1.2: The floating-point numerical types on the PWF system.

answer when n is odd, use n/2.0 since the literal 2.0 will be interpreted as a floating-point number, and force floating-point division.

All numerical types also support the binary comparison operators, <, >, <=, >=, == (equality) and ! =(non-equality).

Integer types support the modulus operator, % which returns the remainder when the left argument is divided by the right argument e.g. 4%3 evaluates to 1. Two warnings: the answer will always have the same sign as the left argument, and if the right hand side of the % symbol evaluates to zero, your program will crash.

Integer types also support bitwise operators: & (and), | (or), $^{\sim}$ (xor), $^{\sim}$ (not), << (left shift) and >> (right shift). All of these operators are binary except $^{\sim}$ which is unary.

Overflow

When you assign one variable to another, it is possible that the value will overflow the range of the destination variable. For integer types it is common for the value to 'wrap round'. For floating-point types, you may obtain one of the special numbers Infinity, -Infinity or NaN (not-a-number). These are designed to behave as you'd expect in most calculations, for example 2+Infinity evaluates to Infinity. They can be displayed using printf; you may also be able to detect them using isnan, isinf and finite, but these functions are not standard.

Determining the range of numerical types

The following code shows how to find the size, range and precision of the numerical types:

```
/* /examples/chapter1/limits.c */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <limits.h>
#include <float.h>
int main(void) {
```

```
/* a byte doesn't have to contain 8 bits (but usually does) */
printf("1 byte contains %i bits\n", CHAR_BIT);
/* char may be signed or unsigned, and all three will always be 1 byte */
printf("unsigned char
                      %u byte, from %12i to %12i\n",
       sizeof(unsigned char), 0, UCHAR_MAX);
printf("signed char
                      %u byte, from %12i to %12i\n",
       sizeof(signed char), SCHAR_MIN, SCHAR_MAX);
printf("char
                       %u byte, from %12i to %12i\n",
       sizeof(char), CHAR_MIN, CHAR_MAX);
   short, int and long are signed */
/*
printf("unsigned short %u bytes, from %12hu to %12hu\n",
       sizeof(unsigned short), 0, USHRT_MAX);
printf("signed short
                       %u bytes, from %12hi to %12hi\n",
       sizeof(signed short), SHRT_MIN, SHRT_MAX);
printf("unsigned int %u bytes, from %12u to %12u\n",
       sizeof(unsigned int), (unsigned int) 0, (unsigned int) UINT_MAX);
printf("signed int
                       u bytes, from 12i to 12i n,
       sizeof(signed int), INT_MIN, INT_MAX);
printf("unsigned long
                      %u bytes, from %12lu to %12lu\n",
       sizeof(unsigned long), (unsigned long) 0, ULONG_MAX);
printf("signed long %u bytes, from %12li to %12li\n",
       sizeof(signed long), LONG_MIN, LONG_MAX);
    floating point types can store 0, may also be able to store
     strange numbers like +Infinity and */
printf("float
                       %u bytes, positive range from %12e to %12e\n",
       sizeof(float), FLT_MIN, FLT_MAX);
printf("
                                epsilon = %e\n", FLT_EPSILON);
printf("double
                       %u bytes, positive range from %12e to %12e\n",
       sizeof(double), DBL_MIN, DBL_MAX);
                                epsilon = %e\n", DBL_EPSILON);
printf("
/*
    L in format string is not universally supported */
printf("long double
                      u bytes, positive range from %12Le to %12Le\n",
       sizeof(long double), LDBL_MIN, LDBL_MAX);
printf("
                                epsilon = %Le\n", LDBL_EPSILON);
return 0;
```

1.4.2 The char type

char is a numerical type (see Section 1.4.1), but its main use is to represent characters, not numerical work. C provides a wide range of character literals which return the numerical value of a character (usually the ASCII code). Character literals are enclosed in apostrophes, for example:

char c = 'H';

}

will assign to c the numerical value of the character H. Since char is an integer type and C will convert between numerical types quite readily, the following are perfectly legal

```
int i = 'H';
double f = 'c';
i = 'K' * 67.57;
```

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but probably not very useful. C also defines character literals for less convenient characters, such as newline and the tab character (see Table 1.3) (these actually give an int rather than a char, but this difference is not normally important). The newline, horizontal and vertical tab and form-feed characters, together with the space character are known collectively as whitespace.

literal	meaning
∖a	alert (bell)
∖b	backspace
∖f	page-break (form-feed)
∖n	newline (line-feed)
\r	carriage-return
\t	horizontal tab
\v	vertical tab
\ "	double-quote
\backslash'	apostrophe
$\setminus \setminus$	backslash
\000	the character with numerical value <i>ooo</i> in octal
$\mathbf{x}hh$	the character with numerical value <i>hh</i> in hexadecimal

Table 1.3: Special character literals

1.4.3 Arrays and Strings

Arrays

C lets you declare arrays of any type (provided the size of the type is known), and to access the elements using the [] syntax:

int i[100]; /* an array of 100 integers */
char c[80]; /* an array of 80 characters */
i[23] = 1; /* set the 23rd element */
i[0] = 1; /* set the 0th element */
i[99] = 1; /* ok, set the last element */
i[100] = 1; /* illegal - there is no 100th element */

Note that arrays in C are always indexed from zero, and that the number in square brackets in the declaration is the number of elements in the array, not the largest possible index. The example above will probably compile as if nothing was amiss, but the program may crash when it executes the last line.

Arrays can be initialized when they are declared; in this case you need not specify the size of the array:

int x[] = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 }; /* now x[0]=1, x[1]=2, ..., x[9]=10 */

To pass arrays to, and use array in functions, see Section 1.8.4.

Strings

C has no special 'string' type. A C string is just an array of char, with the understanding that last character is zero (not the character literal '0', but the character with numerical value zero). C provides a familiar notation for string literals: simply enclose the string in double-quotes, and C will add the zero-terminator by itself:

char c[] = "abcde"; /* c contains 6 chars, 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 0 */

Normally you do not need to worry about the zero-terminator unless you have to know exactly how much space the string will take (see below for an example).

You may use any character literal (see Section 1.4.2) in a string literal:

char c[] = "Done.n";

Operators on arrays and strings

Arrays themselves do not support assignment (though their elements may do so), and comparison operators ==, <, etc. will not compare the elements (see Section 1.4.5 for an explanation of what actually happens):

Other than [] to access elements, you can use the & (address-of) operator, + and -. These are described in Section 1.4.5.

Two-dimensional arrays

Two-dimensional and multi-dimensional arrays are treated as arrays-of-arrays, and unlike in Pascal, do not have any special indexing syntax:

int x[3][2] = { {1, 0}, {0, 1}, {6, 9} };
/* access elements via x[0][0], x[0][1], x[1][0], ..., x[2][1] etc */

As in Pascal, the elements of an array are organized in memory in the order shown above, with the last index incrementing first.

Arrays of strings are just arrays-of-arrays-of-char:

```
char c[][5] = { "cats", "dogs" }; /* an array-of-array-of-5-chars */
/* note that we must leave room for the strings' terminating zero.
   (This example can be done more simply using pointers.)
   Now c[0] and c[1] are strings containing the names of pets */
char d[][] =
   { "cats", "dogs" }; /* illegal: char[] is a type of unknown size */
```

1.4.4 Logical expressions

There is no boolean type in C (you cannot declare a variable to be boolean, or return a boolean from a function), but it does have a notion of a logical expression usually found in if, for and while statements.

```
if (a == 1) {
    /* .. */
}
while (row < n_rows) {
    /* .. */
}</pre>
```

Such expressions are normally formed using one of the comparison operators (<, <=, == (equality) ! = (non-equality), >= and >). In fact, if e is an arbitrary expression which is to be interpreted as true of false, C will treat the expression as e!=0 if e is a numeric type

```
if (a) {
   /* do something */
}
```

will be interpreted as

if (a != 0) {
 /* so something */
}

C will convert from a logical expression to a numerical type automatically using the convention: true becomes 1 (or 1.0 for floating-point types), false becomes 0 (or 0.0). Combined with the behavior described above, you can use any numerical type as if it were boolean, with the interpretation zero=false, non-zero=true.

```
int a; /* we'll use this as if it were boolean */
a = (1<2); /* assigns 1 to a because the expression is true */</pre>
```

(CCATSL defines a boolean type and boolean constants true and false.)

Logical operators

Logical expressions support operators analogous to 'and' and 'or' in Pascal. C provides: && (and), || (or), ! (not) together with == (equality or nxor) and != (non-equality, or xor):

```
int a;
a = (1<2); /* assigns 1 to a */
a = !a; /* a was one (true), hence a becomes zero (false) */
/* now a is zero */
if (a > -1 && a < 1) {
    /* the condition is true */
}
```

1.4.5 Pointers

Pointers play a larger role in C than in Pascal, and although you may be able to avoid them by using arrays (Section 1.4.3), most programmers are likely to meet pointers eventually (if not actually use them).

Memory addresses

When a variable, such as an int or a float is stored in memory, it occupies a number of bytes. The *address* of a variable is a number (typically a large integer) identifying the byte where this storage starts. This number can be obtained for any variable using the address-of operator, &. If v is declared as a char, and you modify the byte with address &v, you will change the value of v.

Let's suppose that &v equals 100, and see how to change the value of v to 'A', using just the information that &v is 100. To do this, we must tell the compiler to interpret the bytes starting at address 100 as a char, and store 'A' there. It is important to tell the compiler to store the 'A' as a char since the char 'A' (which is likely to have the numerical value 65) will be stored in a totally different way from a double with value 65. This is where pointer types and the indirection operator * come in:

We declare p to have the type pointer-to-char, so that the compiler will treat p as holding the address of a char. We then use the indirection operator, * to modify 'the memory pointed to by p'. This code will only work if v really is stored at address 100 (which is unlikely). The following will always work:

```
char v = 'B'; /* set v to 'B' initially. We'll change it below. */
char *p;
p = &v /* p now stores the address of v (`p points to v') */
*p = 'A'; /* assign 'A' to the memory referred to by p */
```

This example works because we can find out where the variable v is stored and then modify the memory directly. In most modern systems, a program is only allowed to modify memory specifically allocated to it, and even then it may be possible for a program to have some 'read-only' memory. You can assume that variables will not be stored in read-only memory unless you ask for it, and can get new blocks of (writable) memory at runtime using malloc (see free also). The compiler is quite at liberty to put literals in read-only memory however:

```
char *p = "This is a string literal";
*p = 'L'; /* may crash */
```

Here we assign to p the address of the first character in the string. (Why the compiler treats the assignment like this—even though the string is an array-of-char rather than a pointer—is explained below.) Then we try to modify the string by changing the first character to an 'L'. If the compiler put the literal in read-only memory, the program is going to crash.

Pointers and scanf

You are most likely to first meet pointers in conjunction with the function scanf, which reads characters from the keyboard. The idea is to pass to scanf the address of the variable where the input should be stored, and let scanf write the information straight into memory.

```
int my_integer_variable;
scanf("%d",&my_integer_variable);
```

scanf knows that we want an int (the %d asks for one) so it will take the second argument (which to scanf is just a large integer, but is actually the memory address of the first byte of my_integer_variable), assigns it to a pointer-to-int variable, and then writes the answer into memory using the indirection operator. Some trickery is needed to force the argument to be treated as a pointer-to-int (since this is potentially dangerous and will not compile without some coercion). To do this, scanf will use a cast (see Section 1.3.2):

```
int j = 216423324;
                    /*
                        some random memory address
                                                     * /
double *p;
                    /*
                        p will point to a double
                                                     */
p = j;
           /*
              won't compile, assigning to *p afterwards
               could be dangerous */
p = (double*) j; /*
                      (cast j) will compile, this time compiler assumes
                      you know what you're doing */
*p = 3.1415;
               /* will compile, but will probably crash when run, since
                  this memory probably isn't allocated to our program */
```

Operators on pointers

As well as & (address-of) and * (indirection), pointers support: assignment from pointers of the same type, all the comparison operators (treating the value of the pointer as a large integer), and also [] (indexing) and + and - (pointer arithmetic).

Indexing a pointer works as follows: suppose p is an int* (so p will be understood as storing the address of an int), and imagine that there are several ints stored consecutively starting at the address held by p. Then p[i] (where i is an integer variable) is the ith int starting at the address held by p (so p[0] = *p). As i increases, the address of p[i] will increment in jumps of sizeof(int) (sizeof is described Section 1.9.5). Notice that it is crucial that the compiler knows what kind of pointer p is, so it work out how many bytes to add to p. There is a very strong connection between pointers used in this ways and arrays, because this is exactly how an array is stored in memory (and how array indexing works):

```
/*
float arr[10];
                    an array of 10 floats */
                /*
float *fp;
                    fp will point to floats
char *cp;
                /*
                    cp will point to chars */
arr[0] = 3.14;
               /*
                    set the zeroth element of arr:
                    (recall that arrays are indexed from 0)
                                                              * /
                /*
                                                               */
fp = &arr[0];
                   fp points to the zeroth element of arr
if (*fp > 3) {
                    */
  /*
     this is true
cp = \&arr[0];
               /* this will not compile - cp cannot point to floats */
```

```
fp[5] = 12.4 /* ok */
if (arr[5] > 12) {
    /* this is true, fp[5] and arr[5] refer to a double stored
        in the same area of memory */
}
```

Pointer arithmetic gives another way of stepping though memory. If p is a pointer (say a pointer to an int), p+i is the address of p[i], thus a statement like p = p+1; moves p forward to point to the next int, similarly p=p-3; moves p back by three. There is more to the connection between arrays and pointers, see below for details.

Pointers-to-structs also accept the -> operator (see Section 1.4.6).

const pointer declarations

You may find functions, such as printf, declared with arguments like const char* or char const* (they mean the same thing). This declaration states that the argument is a pointer-to-a-constant-char; the function promises not to change the the memory pointed to by the argument.

Arrays and pointers

As described above, pointers can behave much like arrays. Arrays can, in turn, behave a lot like pointers. Some examples:

```
void f(int* c) {
                   /* this function will accept arrays-of-int too
                                                                   */
  /* .. */
}
int main(void) {
            /*
  int *xp;
                 a pointer-to-int */
  int x[20]; /* an array of ints */
  xp = \&x[0];
              /* xp points to x[0] */
                /* this is interpreted as the same as the line above \ */
  xp = x;
                   /*
                       xp now points to x[1] */
  xp = xp + 1;
  xp = \&x[0] + 1;
                   /*
                       xp will again point to x[1] */
                   /*
                       this is interpreted as the same as the line above */
  xp = x + 1;
             /* fine
                       */
  f(xp);
  f(&x[0]);
             /*
                 fine, \&x[0] is a pointer to x[0] which is an int
                                                                    */
  f(x);
             /* this is interpreted as the same as the line above
                                                                    */
}
```

Since a string is an array-of-char, there are times when a string literal also behaves like a pointer:

```
/* You can initialize a pointer-to-char with a string: */
char *y = "This is a string";
/* or even an array-of-pointer-to-char from an array of strings */
char *pets[] = { "cats", "dogs", "parrots" };
/* and then use the pointer-to-char as it if were a string: */
printf("%s\n", pets[2]);
```

The explanation is this: in all but three cases, whenever you use array (e.g. x), it will be interpreted as a pointer to the first element of the array (&x[0]). The array is said to 'decay' into

a pointer to its first element. Thus arrays and pointers behave in the much same way (they can be indexed using [], and accept indirection using *). The exceptions are:

```
/examples/chapter1/decayexceptions.c */
int* xp;
         /* a pointer-to-int */
int x[20]; /* an array of ints
                                 */
int t;
/* 1) array initialization from a string literal */
char pet[] = "cat"; /* the rhs is an array (strings are arrays, so
                        a string literal is too), but we don't assign
                        the address of the letter 'c'
                                                       */
/* 2) the address-of operator */
p = &x; /* rhs is interpretated as the address of the first element,
            not the 'address of a pointer-to-first-element'
            which wouldn't make sense unless this pointer were stored
            somewhere, and wouldn't be very useful anyway.
                                                             * /
/* 3) the size of operator */
t = sizeof(x); /* t is set to the size of the whole array x, not
                   sizeof(pointer-to-first-element)
                   which is just the size of a pointer, and thus
                   not as useful.
                                  */
```

Dynamic memory

Pointers are essential if you want to exploit dynamic memory. The function malloc can be used to allocate memory at run-time by returning a pointer to the start of a block of memory. The memory can be released when it is no longer needed with free. malloc returns a generic pointer (a void*) which can be converted to any other pointer type automatically.

For every pointer type (for example int*) there is a special 'null-pointer', denoted 0 (but converted into a suitable address when compiled) which is guaranteed to be 'invalid' in the sense that no int can every be stored with its first byte at (int*)0. For this reason, malloc returns (void*)0 when it cannot allocate the memory you ask for. Instead of writing 0, C provides the symbol NULL which makes it clearer to the programmer that this is a null pointer, not the integer 0.

1.4.6 Structures

C has a notion similar to Pascal's record, called the struct, which allows you to keep various related pieces of information together, without having to declare lots of variables:

```
{
    /* define the type `struct point' as convenient way of describing
    points in two-dimensions. This definition can occur at any place
    that a variable declaration would be legal */
    struct point {
        double x;
        double y;
    };
    struct point pt; /* declare pt as a `struct point' */
    /* we want to make pt represent (0,1) */
    pt.x = 0.0; /* . gives access to the fields of a struct */
```

pt.y = 1.0; }

A quicker way of initializing a structure resembles that for arrays:

struct point the_origin = { 0.0, 0.0 };

The type of pt is struct point, and like any type of known size (the size is known because the compiler knows the size of a double), you can declare arrays of them:

```
struct point {
   double x;
   double y;
};
struct point box[4];
box[0] = { 0.0, 0.0 };
box[1] = { 1.0, 0.0 };
box[2] = { 1.0, 1.1 };
box[3] = { 0.0, 1.0 };
```

To use a struct in more than one part of a program, the definition must occur above the point where it is first used.

```
struct point {
   double x;
   double y;
};
void display(struct point e) {
   printf("x = %f\n", e.x);
   printf("y = %f\n", e.y);
}
/* .. */
```

It is very common to pass pointers-to-structs rather than the structs themselves as arguments to a function. If x is a pointer-to-struct, C has a nice syntax for indirecting the pointer followed by selecting one of the fields, ->. The function display would more normally be written as

structs support assignment from variables of the same type, but do not support comparison operators, not even tests for equality/non-equality.

1.4.7 Enumerated types

C lets you define enumerated types:

```
enum { green, violet, indigo, lilac } colour; /* define `enum colour' */
enum colour a_particular_colour = violet;
```

The definition of the type (here enum colour) must occur before its first use:

```
enum { green, violet, indigo, lilac } colour; /* define enum colour */
/* .. */
int is_purplish(enum colour c) {
   if (c == violet || c == indigo || c == lilac) {
     return 1;
   } else {
     return 0;
   }
}
```

1.4.8 The void type

The keyword void is used in two contexts: function declarations and pointers. The pointer type void* is a a 'generic' pointer type: any pointer can be assigned to a void*, and a void* can be assigned to any pointer. In function definitions and declarations, it is used to indicate either that the function has no return value, or that it takes no arguments:

```
void f(int i) {
   /* does something with i but doesn't return a value.
      (The function must not use the `return' keyword.) */
}
int random_number(void) {
   /* takes no arguments but returns a integer */
}
```

1.4.9 Function pointers (advanced)

Function pointers are a complex and very powerful feature of C. They allow you to pass one function as an argument to another function. We will not describe function pointers here, except for an illustration of how a function can be passed to a CCATSL function, and how to work-out from the declaration of the CCATSL function how your function must be declared:

```
double f(double x) {
  return x*x-1.0;
}
int main(void) {
  double ans, err;
  /* integrate f over 0, 1 using 256 sub-intervals */
  ans = RombergCL(f, 0.0, 1.0, &err, 8);
}
```

The CCATSL function RombergCL is declared as:

The fourth argument is a pointer to a function which accepts one double argument and returns a double. (Whenever you use the name of a function as an argument to another function, it is treated as a pointer.) Similarly an argument declared as

void (*fp)(int, double, const char*)

is a pointer to a function which takes an int, a double and a char*, it returns nothing (it returns a void), and promises not to modify the memory pointed to by the final argument (the const qualifier). Pointers are described in detail in Section 1.4.5.

1.4.10 Type qualifiers (advanced)

Any variable declaration can be prefixed with a *type qualifier*: const or volatile. We will only describe const here and refer the user to a more complete reference for a description of volatile.

const is used as a 'hint' to the compiler that the variable will not be changed any point within the scope of the declaration. This may allow the compiler to generate code optimized more efficiently, and it will certainly warn you if you modify the variable accidentally.

```
void f(void) {
   const int i=10; /* we will not modify i */
   /* .. */
}
```

A more common use is in conjunction with pointer arguments to a function:

1.4.11 Unions and bitfields (advanced)

We will not discuss these.

1.4.12 typedef (advanced)

We will not discuss this.

1.5 Associativity and precedence of operators

Table 1.4 gives the rules determining the associativity and precedence of all the operators in C. Associativity means whether an expression like $x \ R \ y \ R \ z$ (where R is a operator such as + or <=) should be evaluated 'left-to-right' i.e. as ($x \ R \ y$) R z or 'right-to-left' i.e. as $x \ R \ (y \ R \ z)$. Precedence determines how an expression like $x \ R \ y \ S \ z$ should be evaluated (now R and S are *different* operators). If R has higher precedence than S, it will be evaluated as ($x \ R \ y$) S z, while if S has higher precedence than R it will be treated as $x \ R \ (y \ S \ z)$.

	A
Operators in order of precedence	Associativity
(),[],->,.	left to right
!, ~, ++,, - (unary), * (indirection), & (address-of), sizeof, casts	right to left
* (multiplication), /, %	left to right
+, - (subtraction)	left to right
<<, >>	left to right
<, <=, >=, >	left to right
==, !=	left to right
& (bitwise and)	left to right
^	left to right
	left to right
&&	left to right
	left to right
?:	right to left
=, +=, -= etc.	right to left
,	left to right

1.6 Control Structures

C has the control structures found in most other languages. All involve the use of logical expression (e.g. a < b) to affect the flow of execution, so it is important to recall that any expression e will be automatically converted into a logical expression if necessary, by interpreting it as e != 0.

1.6.1 if

The if statement has a simple syntax:

```
if (a < b) {
    /* things to if a < b */
}
/* .. */
if (a < b) {
    /* things to do if a < b */
} else {
    /* things to do if a >= b */
}
```

If the compound-statements only contain a single command, the curly brackets can be omitted. For example:

if (a < b) a = b; /* .. */ if (a < b) a = b; else a = a+1;

1.6.2 while

C's while is almost identical to Pascal's:

```
while (i < 10) {
    /* things to repeat until i >= 10 */
}
```

1.6.3 do

do is similar to while except that the continuation condition is tested at the end of the loop rather than at the beginning; it follows that the body of the loop is certain to be executed at least once:

```
int a[10];
int i;
/* .. */
i=0;
do { /* write out the initial increasing segment of a */
    printf("%d\n", a[i]);
    i = i+1;
} while (i<9 && a[i] >= a[i-1])
```

1.6.4 for

The C for statement is a very general looping construction, and has been copied by many other programming languages. A simple use might look like

```
for (i=0; i<10; i=i+1) {
    /* body of the loop goes here */
}</pre>
```

The parentheses following the for keyword contain three expressions, of which the second is interpreted as a logical expression. The first expression (the initialization statement) is evaluated at the start, then the second expression (the continuation condition) is evaluated. If it is true, the body of the loop is executed, then the third expression (the increment statement) is evaluated. The continuation condition is checked again, and if still true, the body of the loop is executed once more. This process continues until the continuation condition fails or a break statement is met (see Section 1.6.6). The for loop above is equivalent to

```
i = 0;
while (i < 10) {
    /* body of the loop */
    i = i+1;
}
```

The three expressions can be arbitrary, even empty. (If the continuation condition is empty, it will be interpreted as true, so the loop will run forever, unless a break statement is met.)

```
/* write out the part of the string a, up to but excluding
    the first occurrence of the character 'R' */
for (i=0; a[i] != 'R'; i=i+1) {
    printf("%c", a[i]);
}
```

1.6.5 switch

switch is C's equivalent of Pascal's case construction.

```
int option;
/* .. */
switch (option) {
case 1:
    printf("option 1 selected\n");
    /* .. */
    break;
case 2:
    printf("option 2 selected\n");
    break;
default:
    printf("unknown option selected\n");
    break;
}
```

Note that option must be a numerical type, and that a break statement must be used if you do not want control to 'fall through' to the following cases:

```
int option;
/* .. */
switch (option) {
case 1:
    printf("option 1 selected\n");
case 2:
    printf("option 2 selected\n");
/* .. */
}
```

If option is one, both messages will be displayed.

1.6.6 The break, continue and goto statements

These three statements are used to interrupt the flow of control inside loops. break passes control to the next statement immediately after the end of the innermost loop:

```
while ( /* .. */ ) {
  while ( /* .. */ ) {
    /* .. */
    break;
    }
    /* when the break executes, the program continues to execute from here */
}
```

break statements are commonly used with switch statements (see above).

continue is used in do, while and for loops, to transfer execution to the bottom of the 'body' of the loop. In the case of do and while, the next thing to happen is the testing of the continuation condition. With a for statement, execution continues with the increment statement, then the continuation condition is tested.

goto makes the program jump to a given *label*;

```
{
    goto here;
    /* .. */
```

```
here: /* define the label 'here' */
/* .. */
}
```

1.7 Shorthands

C offers the programmer shortened versions of common statements:

```
a += b;
         /* equivalent to a = a + b
                                       * /
         /* equivalent to a = a - b
                                       */
a -= b;
         /* equivalent to a = a *
                                       */
a *= b;
                                    b
         /* equivalent to a = a
                                       * /
а
 /= b;
                                  /
                                   b
a &= b;
         /* equivalent to a = a & b
                                       */
                                       */
         /* equivalent to a = a | b
a = b;
         /* equivalent to a = a
                                       * /
a ^= b;
                                   b
```

A useful syntax for small if constructions is the expression

b ? c : d $\ / ^{\star}$ evaluates to c if b is true, and d otherwise $\ ^{\star}/$

Another very common syntax is the expression i++. This evaluates to i, but then increments i by 1, and ++i which first increments i, and then returns the new value. i can be decremented using the expressions i-- and --i, which behave analogously.

1.8 Declaring and using functions

1.8.1 Introduction

Function definitions in C have the following form:

```
int my_min(int n1, int n2, int n3) { /* return the minimum */
    if (n1 < n2 && n1 < n3) { /* is n1 the min? */
        return n1;
    }
    if (n2 < n3) { /* one of n2 and n3 must be the min */
        return n2;
    }
    return n3; /* n3 must be the min */
}</pre>
```

This defines a function my_min which calculates the minimum of three integers. The first line starts with the type of the return value (here an int), followed by the function's name and the list of *formal parameters*. The body of the function is enclosed in curly brackets. When the body of the function executes, as soon as a return statement is found, the expression following the return keyword is evaluated and returned as the value of the function (note that you can use return more than once).

The formal parameter list is a comma-separated list identifying the types of the function's parameters, and giving them each a name so that they can be referred to in the body of the function.

With my_min declared as above, we could call it from any point in our program below the declaration:

```
int main(void) {
    int a=1;
    int b=2;
    int c=3;
    int d;
    /* set d to the min of a, b and c */
    d = my_min(a, b, c);
}
```

Local variables

You can declare variables at the start of the function body:

```
/* return the harmonic mean of three numbers */
float my_mean(float a, float b, float c) {
  float t;
  t = 1.0/a;
  t = t + 1.0/b;
  t = t + 1.0/c;
  return 3.0/t;
}
```

The variable t declared here is only visible in the body of the function; any other variable called t declared elsewhere will not be effected by calls to my_mean:

```
/* this is visible everywhere (a 'global' variable) */
float t;
float my_mean(float a, float b, float c) {
 float t;
    in the body of the function, references to t effect
  /*
      the local variable t, declared on the line above */
  /* .. */
}
int main(void) {
 float p;
 t = 1;
 p = my_mean(3.0, 4.0, 5.0);
  /*
     t still equals one */
}
```

Each time the function is called, memory for the local variable t will be allocated afresh, so its value will not be preserved between calls. If you do want the value to be preserved, use the static keyword (see Section 1.3.3).

1.8.2 Pass by value and pass by reference

With the exception of arrays and functions (see below), C always passes arguments 'by value': a copy of the value of each argument is passed to the function; the function cannot modify the actual argument passed to it:

```
void foo(int j) {
   j = 0; /* modifies the copy of the argument received by the function */
}
int main(void) {
   int k=10;
   foo(k);
   /* k still equals 10 */
}
```

If you do want a function to modify its argument you can obtain the desired effect using pointer arguments (see Section 1.4.5) instead:

```
void foo(int *j) {
 *j = 0;
}
int main(void) {
  int k=10;
  foo(&k);
  /* k now equals 0 */
}
```

This is sometimes known as 'pass by reference' in other languages.

1.8.3 Calling functions defined anywhere in your program: prototypes

You should only call a function after it has been declared, otherwise parameter type checking is not performed. However you do not have to *define* a function when you *declare* it:

float my_mean(float, float); /* declares a function my_mean */

You can call my_mean from any point below the declaration, because the compiler can generate code for a call to my_mean from just the information provided here. The function can now be defined anywhere, even at the bottom of the program, (or maybe in some external library).

1.8.4 Passing arrays, **struct**s and functions as arguments to a function

You can pass an array or struct as an argument to a function in the same way as any other type:

```
int zero_array(double a[10]) {
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<10; i=i+1) {
        a[i] = 0.0;
    }
}
int main(void) {
    double a[10];
    zero_array(a);
}</pre>
```

Though structs are passed by value (see above for an explanation of 'by value'), C's handling of arrays (see in Section 1.4.5) means that arrays are effectively passed 'by reference'.

If you do not know the size of the array at compile-time, you can declare the function as:

```
int zero_array(double a[]) {
   /* .. */
}
```

but you will probably need to know the size of the array at runtime, and you are likely to end up with something like

```
int zero_array(double a[], int size_of_array) {
   /* .. */
}
```

You can also pass functions as arguments to a function, using function pointers (see Section 1.4.9).

1.9 Some hilights of the standard C library

This section describes the most commonly used functions in the 'standard C library'. In C, a function should be declared before it can be used (see Section 1.8.3). Declarations of the functions in the standard library are provided by a number of header files, which can be read-in automatically at the start of your program. For example, to read in the header file stdio.h, which declares the input-output functions, put

#include <stdio.h>

near the top of your program.

1.9.1 Mathematical functions

abs

Returns the absolute value of an integer. (Declared in stdlib.h.) Use fabs for floating-point arguments.

```
int abs(int i);
```

fabs

Returns the absolute value of a floating-point number. (Declared in math.h.) Use abs for integer arguments.

```
double fabs(double x);
```

floor, ceil, rint

These functions return respectively the greatest integer not exceeding, the least integer not less than, and the closest integer to, their argument, returning the answer as a floating-point number. They are all declared in math.h, and have very similar declarations, e.g.

```
double floor(double x);
```

cos, sin, tan, acos, asin, atan, cosh, sinh, tanh, acosh, asinh, atanh, exp, log, sqrt, log10

These functions compute various common mathematical functions. Note that log returns natural logs, while log10 computes logs to base 10. They are all declared in math.h, and have very similar declarations, e.g.

```
double cos(double x);
```

A typical use might look like

```
double a;
double b;
b = 0.5;
a = cos(b);
```

atan2

This function computes the arctangent in $(-\pi,\pi]$ of the ratio x/y, (it works in the case y = 0). (Declared in stdlib.h.)

```
double atan2(double x, double y);
```

pow

pow returns x raised to the power of y. If x is negative, then y must be integral. (Declared in math.h.)

```
double pow(double x, double y);
```

drand48, srand48

These functions are the recommended way of generating uniform pseudo-random numbers. Successive calls to drand48 return numbers in the range [0, 1). The sequence will be the same each time the program is run unless the *seed* to the random number generator is changed. srand48 can be used to set the seed to a specific number. (Though not part of standard C, you may find that both are declared in stdlib.h. If your compiler complains that they are 'implicitly declared', you will have to declare them yourself.)

```
double drand48(void);
void srand48(long int);
```

To ensure that your program uses a different sequence of random numbers each time the program is run, use

```
#include <time.h>
/* .. */
srand48((long)time(NULL)); /* time is declared in time.h */
```

To obtain a uniform random integer in the set $\{1, \ldots, n\}$ use

```
int i;
/* .. */
i = 1+(int)(n*drand48());
```

isnan, isinf, finite

These (non-standard) functions allow you to detect the special floating-point entities NaN 'not-anumber' +Infinity and -Infinity. (Declared in math.h.)

```
int isnan(double x);
int isinf(double x);
int finite(double x);
```

isnan returns non-zero if its argument is represents 'not-a-number' (NaN) and zero otherwise. isinf returns -1 if its argument represents -Infinity, +1 if the argument represents +Infinity and zero otherwise. finite returns non-zero if the argument does not represent +Infinity, -Infinity or NaN.

1.9.2 String functions

Recall that strings in C are just arrays-of-char in which the final character has numerical value 0. The standard library provides a number of useful routines for manipulating strings.

strlen

strlen returns the number of characters in a string, not including the zero-terminator. (Declared in string.h)

size_t strlen(const char* s); /* size_t is a predefined integer type */

strcmp

strcmp compares two strings lexicographically. It returns a negative number if the first string is less than the second, zero if the two strings are identical and a positive number if the first string is greater than the second. (Declared in string.h.)

```
int strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2);
```

strcpy and strncpy

strcpy copies one string into another. The destination string must have enough room for all the characters of the source string, including room for the zero-terminator. The function returns a pointer to the start of the destination string. If available you should use strncpy instead which allows you to specify the amount of space in the destination string. (Declared in string.h.)

```
char *strcpy(char *destination_str, const char *source_str);
    /* size_t is a predefined integer type */
char *strncpy(char *destination_str, const char *source_str, size_t size);
```

atof, atoi

atof and atoi convert a string to a floating-point number and an integer respectively. (Declared in stdlib.h.)

```
double atof(const char *str);
int atof(const char *str);
```
1.9.3 Reading and Writing: the screen and keyboard

The C library provides three *streams*: stdin, stdout and stderr for input and output. stdin is an input stream, used to receive input from the user. stdout is the normal output stream, and stderr is a second output stream, traditionally used to report error messages (or other unexpected output).

Usually stdin collects characters typed at the keyboard, while characters sent to stdout are echoed to the screen. On some systems, stdin and stdout can be made to read to and write from files: running the command my_prog <input.txt runs my_prog, but empties the contents of the file input.txt into stdin rather than waiting for keyboard input. Such systems usually also let you redirect stdout and stderr, which is useful if you want to save or printout your program's output: my_prog <input.txt >output.txt 2>errors.txt would redirect all three streams to appropriate files.

It is possible that output to the screen produced by one line does not appear before the next line of the program executes. If this is going to be a problem, (for example if you're writing out a prompt and then reading input from the user, you need the prompt to appear before waiting for input) use fflush (see below).

printf

printf is the usual method for writing information to the screen (similar to Pascal's Write and Writeln). (Declared in stdio.h.)

A simple use of printf might look like

printf("Some message."); /* argument is a string */

This copies its argument to the standard output stream, stdout (usually characters sent to stdout will be sent to the screen). To write the value of a variable, use a % sign followed by a letter indicating the type of the variable

To write the value of variables of other types, use %f for doubles and floats, %c for chars, and %s for strings. (There are conversions for other types, and for each type you can request that the variable be displayed in a number of different formats, but we will not describe them all here.)

You can write the value of several variables at once:

```
int i;
char names[2][80] = { "test", "main run" };
double val;
int iter;
/* .. */
printf("Problem %s: iteration %d, value=%f\n", names[i], iter, val);
```

or specify a field with and precision (see a reference manual for more detailed information):

```
int iter;
double val;
/* .. */
printf("Iteration %10i", iter); /* use a field-width of 10 characters */
printf("value %10.5f\n", val); /* field-width of 10, 5 decimal places */
```

scanf

scanf reads and interprets characters from the standard input stream stdin, which usually receives what the user types at the keyboard. (Declared in stdio.h.)

Simple uses of scanf might look like

To read in other types, use %f for floats, %lf for doubles (it is a common error to use %f for doubles—unlike printf, scanf will read the wrong number), and %s for strings. When reading in strings, the input stream will be split up into 'words' (sequences of non-whitespace characters), and each one will be stored in a separate string argument.

```
double r;
char word1[100],word2[100];
/* .. */
scanf("%lf", &r); /* read in a double */
scanf("%s %s", word1, word2); /* read in two words (both must be
shorter than 100 characters */
```

fflush

fflush flushes a stream (waits until all pending output is written). (Declared in stdio.h.) The most common use is:

```
double sigma;
/* .. */
printf("Enter the value for sigma: ");
fflush(stdout); /* wait for the prompt to be written on the screen */
scanf("%lf",&sigma);
```

fflush can be used with any stream open for writing.

1.9.4 Reading and Writing: disk files

Writing and reading to disk files is accomplished in much the same way as reading and writing to the screen. The approach taken in C is to associate a stream with the file using fopen, and then use fprintf and fscanf for reading and writing. These behave exactly like printf and scanf except that they allow you to specify which stream they operate on (printf always uses stdout, while scanf uses stdin). When you have finished using the stream you should close it with fclose.

fopen

fopen opens a file and associates a stream with it. (Declared in stdio.h.)

FILE *fopen(char *path, char *mode);

path is a string specifying the name of the file, while mode is a string indicating how the file is to be opened, typically either "r" to read from the file or "w" to write to it. If the file cannot be opened for some reason, fopen returns NULL.

```
FILE *my_file;
/* .. */
my_file = fopen("datafile.txt", "r"); /* open datafile.txt for reading */
if (my_file == NULL) {
   fprintf(stderr, "Can't open datafile.txt for reading\n");
   exit(1);
}
```

The stream may be access via fprintf or fscanf, and should be subsequently closed with fclose. (In windows programs, HaltCL should be used instead of exit.)

fclose

fclose closes a stream previously opened with fopen. (Declared in stdio.h.)

```
int fclose(FILE *stream);
```

A simple use of fclose might look like

```
FILE *my_file;
/* .. */
my_file = fopen("datafile.txt", "r");
/* .. */
fclose(my_file);
```

fprintf

fprintf is the analogue of printf for use with arbitrary streams. (Declared in stdio.h.)

```
int fprintf(FILE *stream, const char *format, ... );
```

For example, to open a disk-file and write some text to it:

```
FILE *my_file;
int i;
/* .. */
my_file=fopen("datafile.txt","w");
fprintf(my_file, "i=%d", i);
/* .. */
fclose(my_file);
```

The meaning of the second and subsequent arguments to fprintf are described in printf.

fscanf

fscanf is the analogue of scanf for use with arbitrary streams. (Declared in stdio.h.)

int fscanf(FILE *stream, const char *format, ...);

For example, to open a disk-file and read some text from it:

```
FILE *my_file;
int i;
/* .. */
my_file=fopen("datafile.txt","r");
fscanf(my_file, "%d", &i); /* read an integer from the file into i */
/* .. */
fclose(my_file);
```

For a description of the meaning of the second and subsequent arguments, see scanf.

1.9.5 Miscellaneous

exit

exit causes immediate termination of the program. (Declared in stdlib.h.) (In windows programs, HaltCL should be used instead.)

void exit(int status);

time

(Non-standard) time returns the number of seconds elapsed since 00:00:00 GMT, January 1, 1970. (Declared in time.h.)

time_t time(time_t *tp); /* time_t is a pre-defined integer type */

If tp is not NULL, the number of seconds is also stored in tp. For example:

Another common use is to seed the random number generator:

srand48((long)time(NULL)); /* time is declared in time.h */

argc and argv - accessing command line arguments

We will not discuss this here.

malloc

malloc is used to request blocks of memory at runtime. (Declared in stdlib.h.)

```
void *malloc(size_t size); /* size_t is a predefined integer type */
```

The return value is a pointer to the start of a contiguous block of memory of size bytes. When the memory has been finished with, you can release it by calling free. If there is not enough memory available to satisfy the request, malloc returns NULL.

free

free releases memory previously allocated by malloc. (Declared in stdlib.h.)

```
void free(void *p);
```

sizeof

sizeof returns the number of bytes occupied by a variable or type (it is not actually part of the standard C library but part of the C language, so you do not need to #include a header file to use it). For example:

```
int i;
/* .. */
printf("ints occupy \%d bytes\n",sizeof(i)"); /* sizeof(int) works too */
```

1.10 Preprocessor directives

One of C's most useful features is its preprocessor. This is a part of compilation which occurs before the main compilation, and performs simple tasks such as including header files. We will only describe two of its features.

#include

The **#include** preprocessor command inserts a specified file into the file being compiled. It is often used to include header files containing many function declarations:

#include <catam.h> /* access the CCATSL library */

this in turn contains

#include <stdio.h>

which declares the standard IO functions (such as printf).

#define

The simplest use of the #define pre-processor command looks like:

```
#define MAX_ITERS 1000
/* .. */
int i;
/* .. */
for (i=1; i<=MAX_ITERS; i++) {
   /* .. */
}</pre>
```

This asks the preprocessor to replace occurrences of the word MAX_ITERS with 1000 (this is a common way to define constants in C). #define can also be used to define *macros* which behave like functions, but we will not discuss these.

Chapter 2

Mathematical functions

2.1 Ordinary Differential Equations

The CCATSL library provides several routines for solving ODEs of first order, $\dot{x} = a(x, t)$, and also for solving the more general system of ODEs of the form:

$$\dot{x}_1 = a_1(t, x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\dot{x}_n = a_n(t, x_1, \dots, x_n).$$
(2.1)

To handle a second order ODE (or a more complex system), you must first re-write the problem in the form above. For example, suppose you want to solve

$$\ddot{x} = t\dot{x} - 3t - x^2 + 1,$$

subject to $x(t_0) = \alpha$, $\dot{x}(t_0) = \beta$. By introducing the variable z(t), defined by $z(t) = \dot{x}(t)$, we can find the solution to the ODE above by finding the x-part of the solution to

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= z\\ \dot{z} &= tz - 3t - x^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

subject to $x(t_0) = \alpha$, $z(t_0) = \beta$.

There are three CCATSL routines for ODE solving. The simplest, Rk4CL, is fast and easy to use, but employs a fixed stepsize and gives no indication of the error in the solution. The second, RkfCL, is more sophisticated; it adjusts the stepsize when necessary and allows control over the error introduced at each step. The final routine, Rkf45CL, also adjusts the stepsize automatically, but allows control of the error over the whole integration interval.

Fourth order Runge-Kutta, Rk4CL

This is the simplest method provided by CCATSL to solve ODEs and assumes that problem has been written in the form of (2.1). The CCATSL routine implementing Fourth order Runge-Kutta is called Rk4CL, and is declared as follows:

The arguments have the following meanings:

n	The size of the system.
ti	Pointer to a variable holding the initial time. When Rk4CL returns, it will have been updated to the time at the end of the integration interval.
dt	The stepsize.
F	A user-defined function which implements the system of ODEs above by computing $\dot{x}_1, \ldots, \dot{x}_n$ from the values of t and x_1, \ldots, x_n). If something goes wrong, the function should set ErrorFlagCD=true before returning, which will cause Rk4CL to abort. (See below for an illustration.)
х	Array used to hold the values of x_1, \ldots, x_n . Before calling Rk4CL for the first time, these should be set to the initial conditions. When Rk4CL returns, they will have been updated to hold the values of x_1, \ldots, x_n at the end of the integration interval.
xdot	Array which will be used by the user-defined function F to pass back the values of $\dot{x}_1, \ldots, \dot{x}_n$ to the library.

(If you're confused by pointers, arrays, or arguments declared as double *, don't worry. You can find the details in Section 1.4.5, but they are easier to use than to explain. If a routine asks for a 'pointer to a double', you just setup a variable of type double as normal, and then put a & symbol in front of the variable name. The following example should help to clarify this.)

Here's a simple example using Rk4CL to solve an ODE and XYCurveCL (Section 3.1) to plot the solution:

```
/*
     /examples/chapter2/rk4demo.c
                                     */
#include <catam.h>
void a(double t, double *x, double *xdot)
{
 xdot[0]=x[1];
                                   /* x-dot = z
                                                               */
 xdot[1]=t*x[1]-3*t-x[0]*x[0]+1; /* z-dot = tz -3t -x^2 +1 */
}
int MainCL(void)
ł
 double dt=0.001; /* integration stepsize */
 double x[2];
 double xp[2];
 double xdata[1000];
 double tdata[1000];
 double t;
 int i;
 t=0.0;
                                /* initial time is t=0 */
 x[0]=0.0;
                                /* initial condition x=0 */
                                /* initial condition z=0 */
 x[1]=0.0;
  for (i=0; i<1000; i++) {</pre>
                               /* perform a single Rk4 step */
   Rk4CL(2,&t,dt,a,x,xp);
   xdata[i]=x[0];
                                /* store x */
   tdata[i]=t;
                                /* store t */
  }
  /* plot the solution */
 XYCurveCL(tdata,xdata,1000,1,JOIN,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
 return 0;
}
```

Another way of writing this program, which avoids storing the values of x and t, is to use

XYDrawCL (see Section 3.4).

Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg, RkfCL

This is a more powerful technique for solving ODEs than fourth-order Runge-Kutta. It automatically changes the stepsize when necessary and allows control of the local error (the error introduced at each timestep).

n The size of the system.

aberr The acceptable absolute error over each integration step.

- relerr The acceptable relative error at each step.
- t Pointer to a variable initially set by the user to be the time at the start of the integration interval. When RkfCL returns, it will have been incremented to reflect the time at the end of the integration interval.
- dt Pointer to a variable holding the desired step length. This value may be changed if RkfCL finds that a smaller stepsize is necessary to achieve the required tolerances. The value held by dt when RKfCL returns may differ from the length of the integration interval.
- dtmin The minimum stepsize. If RkfCL cannot meet the required tolerances without using a stepsize below than this, RkfCL aborts.
- F A user-defined function which implements the system of ODEs above by computing $\dot{x}_1, \ldots, \dot{x}_n$ from the values of t and x_1, \ldots, x_n). If something goes wrong, the function should set ErrorFlagCD=true before returning, which will cause RkfCL to abort. (See below for an illustration.)
- **x** Array used to hold the values of x_1, \ldots, x_n . Before calling RkfCL for the first time, these should be set to the initial conditions. When RkfCL returns, they will have been updated to hold the values of x_1, \ldots, x_n at the end of the integration interval.
- xdot Array used by the user-defined function F to pass back the values of $\dot{x}_1, \ldots, \dot{x}_n$ to the library.
- nleft Pointer to a variable used to indicate how many integration steps remain until some desired time is reached, based on the current dt. Usually you want to integrate up to some fixed time T; you would choose N to be the desired number of integration steps, passing this via nleft and set the suggested step size to be T/N. RkfCL will then adjust N appropriately whenever an integration step is completed, or when it changes dt.

The return value is true if the integration tolerances can be met and false if they cannot.

(If you're confused by pointers, arrays, or arguments declared as double *, don't worry. You can find the details in Section 1.4.5, but they are easier to use than to explain. If a routine asks for a 'pointer to a double', you just setup a variable of type double as normal, and then put a & symbol in front of the variable name. The following example should help to clarify this.)

Here is an example of how to use RkfCL to solve the ODE of the Van der Pol oscillator:

$$\ddot{x} + \mu \dot{x}(x^2 - 1) + x = 0$$

```
/examples/chapter2/rkfdemo.c */
/*
#include <catam.h>
double mu=5.0;
void a(double t, double *x, double *xdot)
ł
 xdot[0]=x[1];
 xdot[1]=-x[0]-mu*x[1]*(x[0]*x[0]-1);
}
int MainCL(void)
ł
 double aberr=1e-5;
 double relerr=1e-5;
 double dtmin=0.001;
 double tfinal=25.0;
 double x[2];
                      /* will store x and z
                                                      */
 double xp[2];
                      /* will store x-dot and z-dot */
 double t;
 double xdata[1000];
 double tdata[1000];
  int nres;
                       /* number of results stored */
 double dt;
                      /* integration stepsize */
                      /* number of steps left */
  int nleft;
                      /* setup initial conditions */
  t=0.0;
 x[0] = -1.42;
 x[1]=0.26;
 dt=0.2;
 nleft=(int)(tfinal/dt); /* workout a reasonable stepsize */
 dt=tfinal/nleft;
 nres=0;
 while (nleft>0) {
    if (!RkfCL(2,aberr,relerr,&t,&dt,dtmin,a,x,xp,&nleft)) {
      printf("tolerances can't be met, sorry\n");
      HaltCL();
    }
    if (nres<1000) {
                         /* careful not to overflow arrays */
      xdata[nres]=x[0];
      tdata[nres]=t;
      nres=nres+1;
    }
  }
  /* plot the solution */
 XYCurveCL(tdata,xdata,nres,1,JOIN,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
  return 0;
}
```

Rkf45CL

This is the most advanced ODE solving routine in CCATSL. It automatically chooses, and if necessary varies, the integration timestep and allows for error control over the whole integration interval.

```
void Rkf45CL (int n,
                    double aberr,
                    double relerr,
                    double tend,
                    double *t,
                    ODEFunction F,
                    double *x,
                    double *xdot,
                     int *control);
           The size of the system.
n
aberr
           The absolute error tolerance. You can set aberr to zero and Rkf45CL will report back if
           this leads to a problem
           The relative error tolerance. relerr should be more than about 1e-13 but you can try
relerr
           smaller values.
           The time at the end of the integration interval.
tend
           Pointer to a variable holding the time at the start of the integration interval. When
t
           Rkf45CL returns, this will have been updated appropriately.
           A user-defined function which implements the system of ODEs above by
F
           computing \dot{x}_1, \ldots, \dot{x}_n from the values of t and x_1, \ldots, x_n). If something goes wrong, the
           function should set ErrorFlagCD=true before returning, which will cause Rkf45CL to
           abort. (See below for an illustration.)
           Array used to hold the values of x_1, \ldots, x_n. Before calling Rkf45CL for the first time, these
х
           should be set to the initial conditions. When Rkf45CL returns, they will have been
           updated to hold the values of x_1, \ldots, x_n at the end of the integration interval.
           Array used by the user-defined function F to pass back the values of \dot{x}_1, \ldots, \dot{x}_n to the
xdot
           library.
control
           See below.
```

The parameter control is a pointer to a variable used to control the behaviour of Rkf45CL. The first call to Rkf45CL should set the variable to 1 or -1. In the first case, Rkf45CL will try to integrate up to time tend in one go, meeting the required tolerances. The second case causes Rkf45CL to return after each substep, with t and the array x set accordingly. When Rkf45CL returns, the variable acts as a status indicator. Values of 2 and -2 correspond to successful integrations in the two cases just described (in the step-by-step mode, you should leave control at -2 when you next call Rkf45CL). Other possible values are:

- 3 relerr was too small, but has been changed to a more appropriate value, you may continue if you like.
- 4 More than 5000 steps have been taken and tend has still not been reached, you may continue if you like.
- 5 Solution has vanished and aberr=0, you probably want to set aberr to a non-zero value and do a single step here (by setting the variable pointer to by control to -2).
- 6 Unable to achieve the desired tolerances, change relerr or aberr and try again.
- 7 Rkf45CL thinks it wants a stepsize greater than the whole integration interval, the problem is probably stiff (CCATSL has no suitable routines for such problems).
- 8 The input settings were invalid.

An example showing the use of Rkf45CL is c01orbit.c

2.2 Integration

CCATSL has two routines for computing definite integrals

$$I = \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx.$$

The simpler of the two, RombergCL, uses Romberg extrapolation to calculate an approximation to I and to give an estimate of the error. Since it divides the interval [a, b] into a pre-determined number of equal subintervals, it is likely to perform poorly when the integrand varies rapidly or is singular somewhere inside [a, b]. The alternative routine, QuadCL uses an *adaptive* method for subdividing the interval and copes much better with these integrands. It can also be required to try to achieve user-specified error tolerances.

Romberg Extrapolation, RombergCL

RombergCL tries to calculate a definite integral using Romberg extrapolation with a user-specified number of sub-intervals. This routine is easy to use but is unable to handle badly behaved integrands very accurately. (The routine QuadCL is more suitable for these problems.)

f A user-defined function implementing the integrand.

a The lower endpoint of the integration interval.

- b The upper endpoint.
- err A pointer to variable which will hold an estimate of the error in the integral when RombergCL returns.
- n Determines the number of subintervals to use: RombergCL will use a total of 2^n subintervals (and hence $2^n + 1$ function evaluations). Try n=5 to start with; if the error (see err below) is too large, increase n further (if your function is badly behaved or singular in [a,b], you should consider using the more powerful routine QuadCL).

The return value is the estimate of the integral. A typical use of RombergCL might look like

```
/* /examples/chapter2/romb.c */
#include <catam.h>
double f(double x)
{
   return sqrt(1-exp(-x));
}
int MainCL(void)
{
   double errest;
   double answer;
   answer=RombergCL(f,0.0,1.0,&errest,5);
   printf("Integral is %f\n",answer);
```

```
return 0;
}
```

A complete example can be found in a03romb.c.

Adaptive Quadrature, QuadCL

This routine uses an adaptive quadrature method to evaluate definite integrals, and should cope reasonably well with singular and badly behaved integrands.

f	A user-defined function implementing the integrand.
a, b	Respectively the lower and upper endpoints of the integration interval.
aberr	The acceptable absolute error.
relerr	The acceptable relative error. (QuadCL is satisfied if it can meet <i>either</i> of the specified error tolerances.)
err	Pointer to a variable which will hold an estimate of the actual (absolute) error in the integral when QuadCL returns.
flag	Pointer to a variable used as a 'reliability indicator'. If, when QuadCL returns this variable is 0.0, all is well. Otherwise, the integer part gives the number of subintervals where convergence could not be achieved and the fractional part is the proportion of the interval [a,b] still to be integrated over.

The return value is the estimate of the integral.

2.3 Matrix routines

A common matrix task is the solution of a set of simultaneous linear equations, since this can be conveniently expressed as

Ax = z

where A is an n by n matrix and x and z are vectors of size n. CCATSL provides several routines for this: GauSSElimCL solves the system above using Gaussian elimination with pivoting, while DecomposeCL and SolveCL respectively decompose a matrix into a more useful form and use the resulting decomposition to solve the equation. The DecomposeCL/SolveCL approach is preferable when you want to solve the equation above for several different z since DecomposeCL does not involve z and SolveCL is very quick.

Two special cases are where the matrix A is tridiagonal

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & a_4 & b_4 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & c_{n-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & a_n & b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

for which the routine TridiagCL is better suited, or *banded* such as

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & c_1 & d_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 & & 0 \\ 0 & a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & a_4 & b_4 & & d_{n-2} \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & c_{n-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & a_n & b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

which are best handled with BandCL. The routine InvertCL inverts a matrix.

Another common problem is the determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors. CCATSL has three routines for this: EigenMaxCL finds an eigenvalue of greatest modulus and an eigenvector with this eigenvalue, EigenValCL takes a parameter λ and finds an eigenvalue θ minimising $|\theta - \lambda|$, together with a corresponding eigenvector. For symmetric A, JacobiCL returns all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors, using the method of Jacobi.

If A is an m by n matrix, a singular value decomposition (i.e., a decomposition of the form $A = USV^T$ where U and V are orthogonal and S is diagonal) can be found using the routine SvdCL.

Gaussian Elimination with Pivoting, GaussElimCL

This routines use Gaussian elimination with pivoting to solve the system of simultaneous linear equations

$$Ax = z$$

where A is an n by n matrix and x and z are vectors of size n.

double GaussElimCL (int n,

```
int ncols,
double *a,
double *z,
double *x);
```

n The order of the matrix A.

- ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration
 of the array a.
- a Array holding the matrix A.
- z Array holding the vector z.
- **x** Array to receive the solution vector x.

The return value is the determinant of the matrix A. A typical use of GaussElimCL might look like

```
/* /examples/chapter2/elim.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    double a[2][2];
    double z[2];
    double x[2];
    double det;
    a[0][0]=1; a[0][1]=1;
    a[1][0]=0; a[1][1]=1;
    z[0]=2;
```

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```
z[1]=3;
det=GaussElimCL(2,2,a,z,x);
printf("determinant is %lf\n",det);
return 0;
```

A complete example of how to use GaussElimCL can be found in b09matrx.c.

DecomposeCL

}

DecomposeCL is designed to be used in combination with SolveCL (see below) to solve a set of simultaneous linear equations expressed in the form Ax = z. Once the matrix A has been decomposed with DecomposeCL, SolveCL can be called to solve for a given z. Since SolveCL is much faster than GauSSElimCL, if the same set of equations is to be solved for different vectors z, the DecomposeCL/SolveCL approach is to be preferred to GauSSElimCL.

- n The order of the matrix A.
- ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration
 of the array a.
- a Array holding the matrix A. When DecomposeCL returns, A will have been replaced by its decomposed form. If you want to retain the original matrix A, you must make a copy of it before calling DecomposeCL.

The return value is the determinant of the matrix A. See b09matrx.c for an example of how to use DecomposeCL.

ConditionCL

ConditionCL returns the last condition number of the last matrix decomposition (see DecomposeCL) or inversion (see InvertCL).

SolveCL

This routine complements DecomposeCL by taking a matrix in decomposed form and a vector z and solving the system of linear equations Ax = z. It is faster than Gaussian elimination (GaussElimCL) and is thus more efficient for solving for several different vectors z.

n The order of the matrix A.

- ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration
 of the array a.
- a The matrix A.
- z Array to hold the right-hand side z. When SolveCL returns, it will have been overwritten and will hold the solution vector x.

The example program b09matrx.c demonstrates the use of SolveCL.

Tridiagonal Linear System Solver, TridiagCL

This routine solves the linear system Ax = z for the special case where A is tridiagonal

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & c_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & a_4 & b_4 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & c_{n-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & a_n & b_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

n The order of the matrix A.

- a Array holding the values of a_1, \ldots, a_n . (The value of a_1 is irrelevant but it must be present.)
- b Array holding b_1, \ldots, b_n .
- c Array holding c_1, \ldots, c_n . (The value of c_n is irrelevant.)
- z Array holding the vector z.
- **x** Array to hold the solution vector x.

A typical use of TridiagCL is the following:

```
/* /example/chapter2/tridiag.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    double a[5],b[5],c[5],z[5],x[5];
    c[0]= 1; c[1]= 1; c[2]= 1; c[3]=1;
    b[0]=-2; b[1]=-2; b[2]=-2; b[3]=-2; b[4]=-2;
    a[1]= 1; a[2]= 1; a[3]= 1; a[4]= 1;
    z[0]=0.5; z[1]=0.5; z[2]=0.5; z[3]=0.5; z[4]=0.5;
    TridiagCL(5,a,b,c,z,x);
}
```

Banded Linear System Solver, BandCL

This routine solves the linear system Ax = z when A is banded: $A_{ij} = 0$ if i - j > l or i - j < -uwhere $0 \le l, u \le n$. The numbers l and u are called the *lower bandwidth* and the *upper bandwidth* respectively. For example, the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 & c_1 & d_1 & 0 & 0\\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 & 0\\ 0 & a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & d_3\\ 0 & 0 & a_4 & b_4 & c_4\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_5 & b_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

has a lower bandwidth of 1 and an upper bandwidth of 2. The advantage of BandCL over a standard Gaussian elimination routine such as GaussElimCL is that it exploits the sparse structure to speed up the computation, and that it can handle much larger matrices, since the full matrix A is never actually stored. Instead a *compact form* of A must be setup and passed to BandCL. The compact form of the matrix above is

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc} \cdot & b_1 & c_1 & d_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 & d_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 & d_3 \\ a_4 & b_4 & c_4 & \cdot \\ a_5 & b_5 & \cdot & \cdot \end{array}\right)$$

where dotted entries are irrelevant and ignored by BandCL. Note that if A is n by n then the compact form of A is n by (1 + l + u) where l and u are the lower and upper bandwidths.

```
double BandCL (int n,
    int ncols,
    int lbw,
    int ubw,
    double *cpact,
    double *z,
    double *x);
```

n	The order of the matrix A .
ncols	Normally ncols=1+1bw+ubw. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array cpact.
lbw	The lower bandwidth of the matrix.
ubw	The upper bandwidth.
cpact	Array holding the matrix ${\cal A}$ stored in compact form. (See above for details of the compact form.)
Z	Array holding the vector z .
x	Array to hold the solution vector x .

The return value is the determinant of the matrix. b09matrx.c contains an example of how to use BandCL.

Matrix Inversion, InvertCL

InvertCL inverts a square matrix and returns its determinant. The inverse overwrites the original matrix; thus if you want to retain the original matrix you must make a copy of it prior to calling InvertCL.

n The order of the matrix.

- ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array a.
- a Array holding the matrix A. When InvertCL returns, it will have been overwritten with the inverse matrix.

The return value is the determinant of the matrix A. b09matrx.c has an example of how to use InvertCL.

Singular Value Decomposition, SvdCL

The CCATSL routine SvdCL computes a decomposition of the form $A = USV^T$ where U and V are orthogonal and S is diagonal. If A is m by n, then U is m by m, S is m by n and V is n by n, thus if m > n, the last m - n rows of S will be zero and the last m - n columns of U will not have any special significance. Similarly if n > m, the last n - m columns of S will be zero and the last n - m columns of V are not significant. Since S is diagonal, SvdCL just returns the diagonal elements (the singular values) of S as a one-dimensional vector.

 \mathfrak{m} The number of rows in the matrix A.

- n The number of columns in the matrix A.
- ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration
 of the array a.
- a Array holding the matrix A.
- u Array to hold the matrix U.
- \mathbf{v} Array to hold the matrix V.
- w Array to hold the singular values (a one-dimensional vector).

The return value is zero if the decomposition was successful. A non-zero value, k say, indicates that the iteration for the kth singular value failed. A typical use of SvdCL might look like

```
/*
     /examples/chapter2/svd.c
                                 */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
ł
 double a[2][3];
 double u[2][2];
 double v[3][3];
 double w[3];
  int ok;
 a[0][0]=1; a[0][1]=1; a[0][2]=2;
 a[1][0]=0; a[1][1]=2; a[1][2]=2;
 ok=SvdCL(2,3,3,a,u,v,w);
  return 0;
}
```

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors: the Power method, EigenMaxCL

EigenMaxCL finds an eigenvalue of largest modulus of a matrix A, together with a corresponding eigenvector.

n The order of the matrix.

- acc The absolute accuracy required.

```
Ap Array holding the matrix A.
```

evec Array holding an initial 'guess' v at the desired eigenvector. This guess does not have to be good, but if it is way out (and you are also very unlucky) you might have $A^n v = 0$ for some n, at which point EigenMaxCL will fall over (by setting ErrorFlagCD=true and terminating). Assuming this does not happen, when EigenMaxCL returns, it will hold a genuine eigenvector.

The return value is an eigenvalue of largest modulus A typical use of EigenMaxCL might look like

```
/* /examples/chapter2/power.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    double a[2][2];
    double evect[2];
    double evel;
    a[0][0]=1; a[0][1]=1;
    a[1][0]=1; a[1][1]=0;
    evect[0]=1;
    evect[1]=1;
    eval=EigenMaxCL(2,2,0.00001,a,evect);
    return 0;
}
```

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors: the Modified Power method, EigenValCL

The drawback of EigenMaxCL is that it can only give an eigenvector corresponding to an eigenvalue of largest modulus. EigenValCL takes a parameter θ and returns an eigenvalue λ and a corresponding eigenvector minimising $|\lambda - \theta|$ for a given matrix A.

n The order of the matrix A.

ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration
of the array a.

acc The absolute accuracy required.

a Array holding the matrix A.

evec Array holding an initial 'guess' v at the desired eigenvector. (This guess does not have to be very good.)

theta The parameter θ . If EigenValCL encounters a problem (as it will, for example, if θ actually is an eigenvalue) it will set ErrorFlagCD=true and terminate.

See EigenMaxCL for an illustration of how to use a very similar function. The return value is the desired eigenvalue, λ .

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors: the Jacobi method for real symmetric matrices, JacobiCL

The Jacobi method is a powerful technique for finding the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a real symmetric matrix A.

n The order of the matrix A.

- ncols Normally ncols=n. Specifically, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array a.
- a Array holding the matrix A. This array will be corrupted by the call to JacobiCL. The eigenvectors will be returned as the rows of the array a.

evals Array to hold the eigenvalues.

An example of how to use JacobiCL is shown below:

```
/* /examples/chapter2/jacobi.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    double a[2][2];
    double evals[2];
    a[0][0]=1; a[0][1]=-1;
    a[1][0]=1; a[1][1]= 1;
    JacobiCL(2,2,false,a,evals);
    return 0;
}
```

2.4 Special functions

CCATSL provides routines for evaluating three standard mathematical functions, BesselCL for Bessel functions of the first kind of integer order, PhiCL for the normal distribution function and InvPhiCL for its inverse.

Bessel function of first kind, BesselCL

BesselCL computes the Bessel function of the first kind, $J_n(x)$ for n a positive integer, which may be defined by

$$J_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)^{2k+n}}{k! (n+k)!}.$$

- n Specifies the order n of the required Bessel function.
- **x** Specifies the argument to J_n .

The return value is an accurate approximation to $J_n(x)$.

Normal distribution function, PhiCL

PhiCL computes the normal distribution function, defined by

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{x} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}u^2) \, du$$

double PhiCL (double x);

x Specifies the argument to Φ .

The return value is an accurate approximation to $\Phi(x)$.

Inverse cumulative normal density function, InvPhiCL

InvPhiCL computes $\Phi^{-1}(x)$, the inverse function to $\Phi(x)$, the normal distribution function.

```
double InvPhiCL (double x);
```

x Specifies the argument to Φ^{-1} .

The return value is an accurate approximation to $\Phi^{-1}(x)$.

2.5 FFT and Fast Fourier Sine Transform

CCATSL provides two routines for calculating transforms of discrete sequences, both based on the Fast Fourier Transform. FftCL implements the basic Fast Fourier algorithm, while FftSinCL computes a Sine transform using FftCL.

Fast Fourier Transform, FftCL

FftCL computes the Discrete Fourier Transform of a sequence $X_0, X_1, \ldots, X_{N-1}$ of complex numbers, using the Fast Fourier algorithm. The algorithm is an efficient way of calculating the transformed sequence:

$$\widetilde{X}_s = \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} e^{-2\pi i s r/N} X_r$$

when $N = 2^m$ for some m. The original sequence can be recovered from the transformed sequence \widetilde{X}_s by

$$X_r = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{s=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i r s/N} \widetilde{X}_s$$

which is essentially just another application of the FFT algorithm (followed by division by N), but with a change of sign in the exponential.

- x Array holding the sequence X_0, \ldots, X_{N-1} . The array x points to must be an double [0..N-1][0..1] where x[i][0] is the real part of X_i and x[i][1] is the imaginary part. FftCL replaces these values with the transformed sequence, $\widetilde{X}_0, \ldots, \widetilde{X}_{N-1}$. See below for the an example of how to setup a suitable array.
- m Specifies the number of terms in the sequence; there must be $N = 2^m$ of them.
- sign The sign of the exponential in the series above (-1 for the normal transform, 1 for the inverse). Note that when computing the inverse fast Fourier transform by using FftCL with sign=1 you will need to manually divide each resulting X_i by N (see the example below).

Here is an example using FftCL:

```
/*
     /examples/chapter2/fftex.c
                                */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
  int r=3;
  int s;
 double x[8][2];
  for (s=0; s<8; s++) {
    /* Setup X to be the rth Fourier mode.
       Here the rth Fourier mode, F_s is given by
       F_s = (1/8) \exp(2 PI i R s / 8)
       (where i=sqrt(-1)) which we split into
       its real and imaginary parts. */
    x[s][0]=cos(2*M_PI*r*s/8.0)/8.0;
    x[s][1]=sin(2*M_PI*r*s/8.0)/8.0;
    printf("x[%i]=(%f + i %f)\n",s,x[s][0],x[s][1]);
  }
 printf("\n");
 FftCL(x,3,-1.0); /* transform */
  for (s=0; s<8; s++)
    printf("x[%i]=(%f +i %f)\n",s,x[s][0],x[s][1]);
 FftCL(x,3,1.0); /* transform back*/
  printf("\n");
  for (s=0; s<8; s++)
    printf("x[%i]=(%f +i %f)\n",s,x[s][0]/8.0,x[s][1]/8.0);
 return 0;
}
```

Fast Fourier Sine Transform, FftSinCL

FftSinCL computes the sine transform of a sequence $X_0, X_1, \ldots, X_{N-1}, X_N$ of real numbers with $X_0 = X_N = 0$, where $N = 2^m$ for some m:

$$\widetilde{X}_s = \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \sin(\pi r s/N) X_r.$$

It can also compute the inverse transform. (Note that unlike fftCL, when fftSinCL performs the inverse transform, no subsequent division by N is necessary.)

- m Specifies the number of terms in the sequence; since $N = 2^m$, there will be $2^m + 1$ terms.
- x Array holding the sequence X_0, \ldots, X_N . FftSinCL will replace these values with the transformed sequence.
- dirn Indicates whether the normal sine transform (dirn=1) or the inverse transform (dirn=-1) is required.

A typical use of FftSinCL might look like:

```
/* /examples/chapter2/sinfftex.c */
..
{
    double x[256];
    /* setup the array x */
..
    FftSinCL(8,x,1.0);
}
```

A demonstration of FftSinCL can be found in b08poisn.c.

2.6 Poisson solver, PoissonCL

CCATSL provides a routine for solving Poisson's equation

$$\nabla^2 \psi(x, y) = \zeta(x, y)$$

in a two-dimensional rectangular region, where ψ is specified on the boundary.

psi	Array to hold the solution $\psi.$ The values on the boundary of the array should be set to
	the boundary conditions; the rest of the array need not be initialised.
zeta	Array specifying the function ζ .
nx	The number of divisions in the lattice in the <i>x</i> -direction.
ny	The number of divisions in the lattice in the y -direction. (ny must be a power of 2.)
dlx, dly	The grid spacing in the x and y directions respectively.

A typical use of PoissonCL might look like

```
/* /examples/chapter2/poisnex.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    int nx=10;
    int ny=8;
    double dlx=0.1;
```

```
double dly=0.125;
double psi[nx][ny];
double zeta[nx][ny];
/* setup zeta */
/* .. */
PoissonCL(psi,zeta,nx,ny,dlx,dly);
return 0;
}
```

A complete example using PoissonCL can be found in b09poisn.c.

2.7 Minimisation and root-finding

CCATSL contains three functions for finding the minima and zeros of a real-valued function: MinCL finds the minima of a unimodal function in a specified interval, CubicRootsCL solves a general cubic equation and ZeroCL solves f(x) = 0 in a given interval when f is monotone.

Minimisation of a unimodal function, MinCL

MinCL finds the location of the minimum of a unimodal function in a given interval, using a method combining golden section search and parabolic interpolation.

A typical use of MinCL might look like

```
/* /examples/chapter2/fminex.c */
#include <catam.h>
double f(double x)
{
    return 2.1+(x-2.3)*(x-2.3);
}
int MainCL(void)
{
    double ans=MinCL(f,0,6,1e-5);
    printf("minimum occurs at %f\n",ans);
    return 0;
}
```

Cubic equation solver, CubicRootsCL

CubicRootsCL solves the cubic equation $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$. It returns the number of roots, and the roots in non-decreasing order.

a, b, c	The coefficients in the cubic equation $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$.
nroots	Pointer to a variable to hold the number of roots when ${\tt CubicRootsCL}$ returns.
r1, r2, r3	Pointers to variables to hold the roots, in non-decreasing order.

Finding the zero of a function, ZeroCL

The CCATSL routine ZeroCL locates the root of an equation of the form f(x) = 0 when f is a monotone function, using a combination of bisection and more powerful methods.

Finding the roots of a polynomial, PolyRootsCL()

The CCATSL routine PolyRootsCL finds all the roots of a polynomial with real coefficients by employing the Laguerre's Method.

rcoeff	vector with the coefficients of the polynomial. These must be real.
deg	degree of the polynomial.
roots	complex array with the computed roots.
polish	set to 1 for polishing the roots, 0 otherwise.

2.8 Spline interpolation

Determining a cubic spline interpolant, SplineCL

SplineCL determines the coefficients for a cubic spline interpolating function from a sequence of data-points $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$. It determines the coefficients $(b_i, c_i, d_i)_{i=1}^n$ in the piecewise cubic interpolating function:

 $y(x) = y_i + b_i(x - x_i) + c_i(x - x_i)^2 + d_i(x - x_i)^3$ for $x \in [x_i, x_{i+1})$.

(The coefficients b_n , c_n and d_n are not used in the interpolating function but are used as workspace by SplineCL.) The interpolating function passes through the data points and has a continuous first and second derivative everywhere. Once calculated, the interpolating function can be evaluated using SplineValCL.

n The number of data points.

x Array holding the sequence x_1, \ldots, x_n .

Y Array holding the sequence y_1, \ldots, y_n .

b Array to hold the coefficients b_1, \ldots, b_n .

c Array to hold the coefficients c_1, \ldots, c_n .

d Array to hold the coefficients d_1, \ldots, d_n .

The example program b04splin.c demonstrates the use of SplineCL.

Evaluating the interpolant, SplineValCL

Once SplineCL has been used to calculate the cubic spline interpolating function for a dataset $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$, the routine SplineValCL can be used to evaluate it at an arbitrary point.

x The point at which the interpolating function is to be evaluated.

xpts Array holding the sequence x_1, \ldots, x_n .

Y Array holding the sequence y_1, \ldots, y_n .

b Array to hold the coefficients b_1, \ldots, b_n .

c Array to hold the coefficients c_1, \ldots, c_n .

d Array to hold the coefficients d_1, \ldots, d_n .

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The example program b04splin.c demonstrates the use of SplineValCL.

Chapter 3

Plotting graphs

CCATSL contains a large number of routines for plotting graphs of various types. These include routines for two-dimensional data (Section 3.1), such as curves and collections of points and simple histograms, and others for three-dimensional data (Section 3.2), such as contour plots and surface plots. Once you have plotted your graph, CCATSL also provides several ways of printing it out (Section 3.5).

The standard CCATSL plotting functions are normally sufficient for the sort of output that CATAM projects require, but sometimes you will want (or need) to customise some aspect of the graph-plotting process. For example, if you want two or more graphs on screen at once, or you need to draw your graph line by line, or maybe you just want to change the colours, you will have to use additional CCATSL routines: various ways of customising your graph or changing where it appears are described in Section 3.3, while methods for drawing graphs line by line are described in Section 3.4.

3.1 Two-dimensional data

CCATSL has several routines for plotting two-dimensional data. CurveCL is the usual choice for plotting y = g(x) when you are able to work out what g(x) will be for arbitrary x. Sometimes you only know the value of g(x) at a sequence of points $(x_i)_{i=1}^n$ when you probably want to use the routine XYCurveCL instead. (This routine is also the way to plot arbitrary collections of points.) Finally, CCATSL can draw histograms, using XYHistogramCL.

For some of these routines, you may find it helpful to use XYSortCL (Section 6.6) to re-order the arrays storing the x and y-values so that the x-values are in increasing order.

CurveCL

CurveCL is the simplest CCATSL graphics routine and is suitable for drawing a curve of the form y = g(x) when g(x) is easily computable.

g	The function g . See below for an example.
xlo, xhi	Specifies the interval [xlo, xhi] over which $g(x)$ is to be plotted.
npts	The number of points at which g should be sampled.
colour	The colour of the graph, .
axismode	Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the x and y axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for more information.

Here is a simple example using CurveCL:

```
/* /example/chapter3/dcurvel.c */
#include <catam.h>
double f(double x)
{
   return exp(-x*x);
}
int MainCL(void)
{
   CurveCL(f,-3,3,50,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
   return 0;
}
```



XYCurveCL

This routine plots a sequence of points $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$. The points can be plotted individually using a variety of symbols (dots, plus signs, triangles etc.), or they may be joined together with straight lines.

```
void XYCurveCL (double *xp,
    double *yp,
    int npts,
    int ncols,
    DrawDataCT option,
    ColourCT colour,
    AxisModeCT axismode);
```

xp	Array holding the sequence x_1, \ldots, x_n .
ур	Array holding the sequence y_1, \ldots, y_n .
npts	The number of points in the sequence.
ncols	Normally ncols=1. (In general, ncols should be the size of the second dimension in the declarations of the arrays xp and yp.)
option	Specifies how the points should appear. Popular choices are JOIN, to have the points joined up with straight lines, or PLUS to have each point marked with a +. You can find the full list of plot symbols in Section 7.2.
colour	The colour of the graph, such as RedCC.

axismode Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for more information.

```
/*
     /examples/chapter3/ddata1.c
                                    */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
ł
 double x[50];
 double y[50];
 double r;
  int i;
  for (i=0; i<50; i++) {
   r=i/49.0-0.5; /* from -0.5 to +0.5 */
   x[i]=r;
    y[i]=r*r*(1-r);
  }
 XYCurveCL(x,y,50,1,TRIANGLE,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
 return 0;
}
```



XYHistogramCL

This routine produces a two-dimensional histogram from a dataset; the data must be in the form $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$ where x_i is the location of the *i*th bar and y_i is its corresponding height. (The centre of the *i*th bar will be at a position equal to x_i plus some specified offset, which can be arbitrary but must be the same for all *i*.) The x_i should be equally spaced and monotone—you may want to use the routine XYSortCL to sort the arrays first.

xp	Array holding the sequence x_1, \ldots, x_n .
ур	Array holding the sequence y_1, \ldots, y_n .
n	The number of points in the sequence.
ncols	Normally ncols=1 (see below). (In general, ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declarations of the arrays xp and yp.)
width	The width of the bars as a proportion of (the common value of) $x_{i+1} - x_i$. For example, width=1 will make each bar appear flush with its neighbours while width=0.9 will leave a small gap between adjacent bars.
disp	Specifies the offset of the <i>i</i> th bar relative to x_i , in units of $x_{i+1} - x_i$. For example, disp=-0.5 places the centre of the <i>i</i> th bar at x_i while disp=0 will put the left hand side of the <i>i</i> th bar at x_i .
colour	The colour used to fill the bars, such as RedCC.

axismode Determines whether CCATSL should work out scales for the axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for more information.

```
/* /examples/chapter3/histo2d.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    double x[10];
    double y[10];
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<10; i++) {
        x[i]=i;
        y[i]=exp(-i/3.0);
    }
    XYHistogramCL(x,y,10,1,0.9,-0.5,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
    return 0;
}</pre>
```



3.2 Three-dimensional data

CCATSL provides a large number of routines for plotting three-dimensional data. The simplest is XYZCurveCL which plots a sequence of points $(x_i, y_i, z_i)_{i=1}^n$. It can either plot the points individually, or it can join up the points with straight lines.

Surfaces can be plotted using the routine XYZSurfaceCL, or as a contour plot using the function XYZContourCL. If the function z(x, y) is easy to define in terms of x and y, you can use the simpler routine ContourCL, which samples z appropriately. PolarContourCL performs a similar function to XYZContourCL for functions which are more naturally expressed in polar coordinates: the data is now a collection of points $(r, \theta, z(r, \theta))$ where (r, θ) lie in a (rectangular) lattice. For histograms with two independent variables, CCATSL provides the routine XYZHistogramCL.

For some of these routines, you may find it helpful to use XYZSortCL (see Section 6.6) to re-order the arrays storing the x, y and z-values so that the x and y-values are in increasing order.

XYZCurveCL

This routine plots a sequence of points $(x_i, y_i, z_i)_{i=1}^n$. The points can be plotted individually using a variety of symbols (dots, plus signs, triangles etc.), or they may be joined together with straight lines.

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xp	Array holding the sequence x_1, \ldots, x_n .
ур	Array holding the sequence y_1, \ldots, y_n .
zp	Array holding the sequence z_1, \ldots, z_n .
npts	The number of points in the sequence.
ncols	Normally ncols=1. (ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the arrays xp, yp and zp.)
option	Specifies how the points should appear. Popular choices are JOIN, to have the points joined up with straight lines or PLUS to have each point marked with a +. You can find the full list of plot symbols in Chapter 7.2.
colour	The colour of the graph, such as RedCC for example.
axismode	Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for further information.
/* /exan	mples/chapter3/ddata3.c */

```
/examples/chapter3/ddata3.c
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
 double x[50];
 double y[50];
 double z[50];
  int i;
  for (i=0; i<50; i++) {
   x[i]=i;
   y[i]=sin(i/5.0);
    z[i]=cos(i/5.0);
  }
 XYZCurveCL(x,y,z,50,1,PLUS,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
 return 0;
}
```



XYZSurfaceCL

XYZSurfaceCL produces surface or wireframe plots from a collection of points of the form (x, y, z(x, y)), where (x, y) ranges over a rectangular lattice. If your surface is complicated, it may be better to do a contour plot, using XYZContourCL.

```
void XYZSurfaceCL (double *xp,
    double *yp,
    double *zp,
    int nx,
    int ny,
    int ncols,
    int ncolsZ,
    DrawObjectCT option,
    ColourCT upper_col,
    ColourCT lower_col,
    AxisModeCT axismode);
```

Array holding the sequence of x-values.

ур	Array holding the sequence of y -values.
zp	Array holding the z-values. (This will normally have been declared with the declaration double <code>zp[nx][ny].</code>)
nx	The number of x -values.
ny	The number of y -values.
ncols	Normally ncols=1. (ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the arrays xp and yp.)
ncolsZ	Normally ncolsZ=ny. (ncolsZ is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array zp.)
option	Can be either WIREFRAME for a wireframe plot or SURFACE for a hidden line surface plot.
upper_col	The colour for the upper side of the surface.
lower_col	The colour for the lower side of the surface.
axismode	Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for further information.

```
/*
      /examples/chapter3/surface.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
  double x[50];
  double y[50];
  double z[50][50];
  int i;
  int j;
  for (i=0; i<50; i++) {
    x[i]=i;
     y[i]=i;
     for (j=0; j<50; j++) {</pre>
        z[i][j]=sin(i/20.0)*sin(i/20.0)*cos(j/5.0);
     }
  }
  \texttt{XYZSurfaceCL}(\texttt{x},\texttt{y},\texttt{z},\texttt{50},\texttt{50},\texttt{1},\texttt{50},\texttt{SURFACE},
                   BlueCC,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
  return 0;
}
```



XYZContourCL

XYZContourCL produces contour plots from a collection of points of the form (x, y, z(x, y)), where (x, y) ranges over a rectangular lattice.

```
void XYZContourCL (double *xp,
                         double *yp,
                         double *zp,
                         int nx,
                         int ny,
                          int ncols,
                          int ncolsZ,
                          int ncontours,
                         double zlow,
                         double zhi,
                         DrawObjectCT option,
                         ColourCT colour,
                         AxisModeCT axismode);
              Array holding the sequence of x-values.
хp
              Array holding the sequence of y-values.
уp
              Array holding the z-values. (This will normally have been declared with the
zp
              declaration double zp[nx][ny].)
              The number of x-values.
nx
ny
              The number of y-values.
              Normally ncols=1. (ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of
ncols
              the arrays xp and yp.)
              Normally ncolsZ=ny. (ncolsZ is the size of the second dimension in the declaration
ncolsZ
              of the array zp.)
ncontours
              Specifies the number of contours to be drawn.
              Specify the range [zlow, zhi] of z-values which should produce contours. If you set
zlow,
zhi
              both to zero, XYZContourCL will try to work out a suitable range.
option
              Either CONTOURS2D or CONTOURS3D. The first case leads to a flat 'map' with
              contours, the other leads to three-dimensional contour plot.
colour
              The colour for the contours.
axismode
              Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes automatically.
              See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for
              more information.
```

```
/examples/chapter3/contour.c
/*
                                      */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
ł
  double x[50];
 double y[50];
 double z[50][50];
  int i;
  int j;
  for (i=0; i<50; i++) {
    x[i]=i;
    y[i]=i;
    for (j=0; j<50; j++) {</pre>
      z[i][j]=sin(i/10.0)*cos(j/6.0)+i*j/800.0;
    }
  }
 XYZContourCL(x,y,z,50,50,1,50,25,0,0,CONTOURS2D,
               RedCC,AUTOAXES);
  return 0;
}
```



ContourCL

This routine provides a simpler way than XYZContourCL of producing contour plots of a function g(x, y) when g is easy to evaluate.

```
void ContourCL (double (*g)(double x, double y),
                     double xlow,
                     double xhi,
                     double ylow,
                     double yhi,
                     double zlow,
                     double zhi,
                     int ncontours,
                     int gtype,
                     ColourCT colour,
                     AxisModeCT axismode);
                A user-defined function taking two double arguments and returning a double. The
g
                function should interpret the arguments as x and y respectively and return g(x, y).
xlow, xhi
                The range [xlow, xhi] of x-values to plot.
                The range [ylow, yhi] of y-values to plot.
ylow, yhi
zlow, zhi
                The range [zlow, zhi] of z-values to produce contours.
                The number of contours to plot.
ncontours
                Specifies the type of contour plot: gtype=0 produces monochrome contour lines of
gtype
                colour colour, gtype=1 produces contour lines of different colours, gtype=2
                shades the regions between contour lines, and gtype=3 draws the contour lines in
                colour and shades the region between contour lines.
                The colour of the contours.
colour
                Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes
axismode
```

automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for further information.

```
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```

```
/* /examples/chapter3/fncont.c */
#include <catam.h>

double f(double x, double y)
{
   return sin(2*M_PI*x)*cos(M_PI*y)+2*x*y;
}
int MainCL(void)
{
   ContourCL(f,-2,2,-2,2,-3,5,50,3,RedCC,AUTOAXES);
   return 0;
}
```



PolarContourCL

PolarContourCL produces contour plots from a collection of points of the form $(r, \theta, z(r, \theta))$, for $r = r_1, r_2, \ldots, r_n, \theta = \theta_1, \theta_2, \ldots, \theta_n$, where (r, θ) are interpreted as polar coordinates.

```
void PolarContourCL (double *rp,
                           double *tp,
                           double *zp,
                           int ncolsZ,
                           int nr,
                           int ntheta,
                           double zlow,
                           double zhi,
                           int ncontours,
                           int gtype,
                           ColourCT colour,
                           AxisModeCT axismode);
              Array holding the sequence of r-values.
rp
              Array holding the sequence of \theta-values.
tp
              Array holding the z-values. (This will normally have been declared with the
zp
              declaration double zp[nx][ny].)
ncolsZ
              Normally ncolsZ=ntheta. (ncolsZ is the size of the second dimension in the
              declaration of the array zp.)
              The number of r-values.
```

nrThe number of r-values.nthetaThe number of θ-values.zlow,The range [zlow, zhi] of z-values to produce contours. You can set these both tozhizero to get CCATSL to work out a sensible range for you.ncontoursSpecifies the number of contours to draw.gtypeSpecifies the type of contour plot: gtype=0 produces monochrome contour lines of
colour colour, gtype=1 produces contour lines of different colours, gtype=2 shades
the regions between contour lines, and gtype=3 draws the contour lines in colour
and shades the region between contour lines.

```
colour The colour for the contours.
```
axismode Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage (AUTOAXES), and Section 7.2 for further information.

```
/*
     /examples/chapter3/polcont.c
                                      */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
 double r[50];
 double theta[50];
 double z[50][50];
 int i;
  int j;
  for (i=0; i<50; i++) {
    r[i]=i/50.0;
    for (j=0; j<50; j++) {
      theta[j]=2*M_PI*j/50.0;
      z[i][j]=r[i]*sin(3*theta[j]);
    }
  }
 \texttt{PolarContourCL(r,theta,z,50,50,50,0,0,15,0,}
                  RedCC,AUTOAXES);
 return 0;
}
```



XYZHistogramCL

This routine produces histograms for datasets with two independent variables. The data must be in the form of two sequences (x_i) and (y_i) , and an array H_{ij} . The centre of the *ij*th bar will be located at (x_i, y_i) , and its height will be H_{ij} . The sequence (x_i) should be monotone and equally spaced, as should the sequence (y_j) .

Array holding the sequence of x-values.
Array holding the sequence of <i>y</i> -values.
Array holding H_{ij} -values. (This will normally have been declared with the declaration double <code>zp[nx][ny].</code>)
The number of <i>x</i> -values.
The number of <i>y</i> -values.
Normally ncols=1. (ncols is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the arrays xp and yp.)

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ncolsZ	Normally ncolsZ=ny. (ncolsZ is the size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array zp.)
xwidth	The x-width of the bars as a proportion of (the common value of) $x_{i+1} - x_i$.
ywidth	The y-width of the bars as a proportion of (the common value of) $y_{i+1} - y_i$.
colour	The colour for the bars.
axismode	Determines whether CCATSL should try to work out scales for the axes automatically. See the example below for the most common usage, and Section 7.2 for more information.

```
/*
     /examples/chapter3/histo3d.c
                                      * /
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
 double x[10];
 double y[10];
 double z[10][10];
  int i;
  int j;
  for (i=0; i<10; i++) {
    x[i]=i;
    y[i]=i;
    for (j=0; j<10; j++) {
      z[i][j]=exp(-(i+j)/3.0);
    }
  }
 XYZHistogramCL(x,y,z,10,10,1,10,0.8,0.8,
                  YellowCC, AUTOAXES);
  return 0;
}
```



3.3 Customising your graph

This section describes what you can do if the high-level graphics routines of the previous sections don't do quite what you want. Section 3.3.1 explains how to change where your graph appears: drawing graphs in arbitrary CCATSL windows, or in a different part of the default graph window. Section 3.3.2 deals with ways of customising the appearance of the graph itself, and in Section 3.3.3 we describe how to add extra information to your graph such as axis labels and annotations.

3.3.1 Changing where your graph appears

The output of a CCATSL graphics routine appears in the *graph window*, and within this window, inside the *graph port*. If no windows exist when CCATSL tries to draw a graph, a *default graph window* will be created automatically, and the graph port set to the whole window.

If you only want one graph on screen at once, you can forget about graph ports and graph windows and just re-use the default graph window. Should you decide to do this, you may find it helpful to know about the function PauseCL

to allow you to make printouts (see Section 3.5 to find out about making printouts), and WClearCL which clears the graphics window before drawing your next graph.

If you want several plots to appear on screen at once, you have two choices: either put them in different parts of the default graph window using GPortCL, or put each graph in a new window, with WCurrentCL. To use the second method, you must first create your own CCATSL window (see Section 4.1) and then make this the current graph window. For example, suppose your program starts

```
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    WindowCT w1=WindowCL(0,0,0.5,1);
    WindowCT w2=WindowCL(0.5,0,1,1);
    WCurrentCL(w1);
    WShowCL(w1);
    WTitleCL("My left window");
    WCurrentCL(w2);
    WShowCL(w2);
    WTitleCL("My right window");
    return 0;
}
```

to create and open two windows. You can make wleft the current graph window by calling WCurrentCL after which graphs will appear in wright.

WClearCL

WClearCL clears the current window:

WClearCL(); /* Clear the current window. */

GPortCL

GPortCL lets you define a rectangular region in the current graphics window. Subsequent graphics commands will produce their output inside this rectangle.

left, bottom	The coodinates of the bottom-left corner of the new graph port, relative to to the bottom left corner of the current graph window, expressed as proportions of the graph window's width and height.
right, top	The coodinates of the top-right corner of the new graph port, relative to to the bottom left corner of the current graph window, expressed as proportions of the graph
	window's width and height.

To draw four graphs in the default graph window, you could use

WCurrentCL

w

WCurrentCL changes the window in which subsequent graphics output appear, and returns the Id previous graphics window.

```
WindowCT WCurrentCL (WindowCT w);
```

The id of the new graphics window.

The return value is the Id of the previous graphics window.

For example:

```
WCurrentCL(w); /* Make w (of type WindowCT) the current
graph window. The graph port is reset to
the entire window. */
```

3.3.2 Changing its appearance

Some aspects of a graph's appearance such as the colour of a curve or the colour of the bars in a histogram can be changed when you call the CCATSL routine. Another set of simple customisations is governed by the AxisModeCT (see below). Other possible modifications include: changing the ranges (XRangeCL), the colours (GAxisColoursCL, GBrushStyleCL and GLineColourCL), the line style (GLineStyleCL), the line 'mode' (GLineModeCL), the number of subdivisions of the axes (XIntervalsCL), the graph origin (XOriginCL) or the viewing direction for 3D plots (XViewPointCL).

AxisModeCT

All the CCATSL plotting routines, like CurveCL for example, take as their last argument a variable of type AxisModeCT. This must be one of PRESET, RESCALE, DRAWAXES and AUTOAXES. The most useful is AUTOAXES, which asks CCATSL to work out several things, such as sensible scales for the axes, and good places for the pip marks (small lines on the axes) and pip labels (small numbers appearing next to the pip marks). CCATSL then draws the axes, pip marks, pip labels, axes labels (which by default are blank) and finally the graph itself, all in the current graphics window.

If you would like CCATSL to work out scales for the axes as usual, but only to draw the curve, and none of the axes, pip marks, pip labels or axes labels, you use RESCALE.

If you are trying to draw a graph on the same set of axes as a previous graph (so you already have the axes, pip marks, pip labels and axes labels drawn and you don't want the scales recalculated), you use PRESET, which just draws the curve.

If you want to specify your own ranges for the x, y or z-axes (perhaps you are only interested in a small part of the graph) you can use XRangeCL, YRangeCL and ZRangeCL to change the scales. You now don't want CCATSL to recalculate the ranges, but you do want the axes etc. drawn. In this case, you use DRAWAXES.

XRangeCL, YRangeCL and ZRangeCL

These routines allow you to change the range of values plotted on the x, y and z axes. They all have the same syntax so we will just describe XRangeCL below.

1, h Specifies the new x range as [l, h].

XOriginCL, YOriginCL and ZOriginCL

These routines allow you to change the origin of the subsequent graphs (i.e. the point where the axes cross). They all have similar declarations so we will just describe XOriginCL below.

```
void XOriginCL (double x);
```

```
x The new x-coordinate of the orgin.
```

XIntervalsCL, YIntervalsCL and ZIntervalsCL

These routines allow you to change the number of intervals into which each axis is subdivided. They all have similar declarations so we will just describe XIntervalsCL below.

```
void XIntervalsCL (int n);
```

n The new number of subdivisions for the axis.

ViewPointCL

ViewPointCL changes the point from which 3D perspective plots are viewed.

theta The new (Eulerian) angle θ of the viewing direction. phi The new (Eulerian) angle ϕ of the viewing direction.

GAxisColoursCL

This routine allows you to change the colours used to draw the pip marks, the axes, and the axis labels

pipclr	The colour for the pip marks.
axisclr	The colour for the axes.
labelclr	The colour for the axis labels.

GLineColourCL

This routine changes the main colour used in graph-drawing operations, including plot symbols and grid lines (see XYSymbolCL, GGridCL and GBoxCL).

```
void GLineColourCL (ColourCT clr);
```

clr The new graphics colour.

GLineStyleCL

This routine changes the style and width of lines produced by graphics routines.

- style Possible values are SOLID_LINE, DASH_LINE, DOT_LINE, DASHDOT_LINE, DASHDOT_LINE, and NULL_LINE.
- width The thickness of the pen, in pixels.

GLineModeCL

This routine changes the way new lines appear when they cross existing lines.

```
void GLineModeCL (LineModeCT n);
```

n The new line mode, one of NORMAL_MODE, INVERT_MODE, EOR_MODE, OR_MODE or AND_MODE.

GBrushStyleCL

This routine changes the colour and style of the brush used in fill operations such as XYPolygonFillCL.

clr The new brush colour.

k See see Section 7.2 for a list of available brush styles.

3.3.3 Graph Decorations

Although CCATSL draws axis labels, they are blank by default. They may be changed with a call to XAxisLabelCL. (Note that calls to WCurrentCL, and the act of opening the default graph window clear the axis labels.)

You can also mark an arbitrary point in a graph in various ways: with text, using XYLabelCL (or with XYZLabelCL for 3D plots), with one of the standard plotting symbols using XYSymbolCL (or XYZSymbolCL), or by cross-wires, with XYCrossWiresCL (or with XYZCrossWiresCL). Textual labels can also be added interactively, using GLabelCL

You can also add several other pieces of extra visual information which may make your graph more informative with GBoxCL, GBorderCL and GGridCL.

XAxisLabelCL YAxisLabelCLand ZAxisLabelCL

These routines let you change the strings used to label the axes (they are blank by default). They all have a similar declaration so we will just describe XAxisLabelCL below.

```
void XAxisLabelCL (char *s);
```

s The string to use as the axis label.

GBoxCL, GBorderCL and GGridCL

These routines add extra visual information to a graph:

GBorderCL();	/*	Draw	a re	ectar	ngle	around the	he g	raph			*/
GBoxCL();	/*	Draw	a bo	ox tł	ne az	kes					*/
GGridCL();	/*	Draw	the	box	and	subdivid	e it	into	smaller	boxes	*/

Here is an example of the effect of GBoxCL and GGridCL:



The colour may be changed by an immediately preceding call to GLineColourCL.

GLabelCL

GLabelCL gives the user the opportunity to attach a text string to a graph interactively. To label a graph non-interactively, see XYLabelCL for two-dimensional graphs and XYZLabelCL for 3D graphs.

```
GLabelCL(); /* Give the user the chance to label a graph. */
```

XYLabelCL

This routine attaches a textual label to a point on a two-dimensional graph. XYLabelCL performs the analogous function for three-dimensional graphs.

х, у	The coordinates of the point to be labelled.
txt	The text of the label.

XYZLabelCL

This routine attaches a textual label to a point on a three-dimensional graph. XYLabelCL performs the analogous function for two-dimensional graphs.

txt The text of the label.

XYSymbolCL

This routine marks a point on a two-dimensional graph with one of the standard plotting symbols (see Section 7.2). XYZSymbolCL performs the analogous function for three-dimensional graphs.

х, у	The coordinates of the mark.
sym	The mark, for example sym=XCROSS makes the mark an XCROSS, and similarly for the other plotting symbols.

XYZSymbolCL

This routine marks a point on a three-dimensional graph with one of the standard plotting symbols (see Section 7.2). XYSymbolCL performs the analogous function for two-dimensional graphs.

x, y, z The coordinates of the mark.
 sym The mark, for example sym=XCROSS makes the mark an XCROSS, and similarly for the other plotting symbols.

XYCrossWiresCL

This routine draws crosswires through a point on a two-dimensional graph. XYZCrossWiresCL performs the analogous function for three-dimensional graphs.

x, y The coordinates of the point.

XYZCrossWiresCL

This routine draws crosswires through a point on a 3D graph. XYCrossWiresCL performs the analogous function for two-dimensional graphs.

x, y, z The coordinates of the point.

3.4 Drawing graphs line by line

While the high level CCATSL graphics routines make it easy to draw the graph of a function, or to display a dataset in a standard form, it is sometimes better to take control of the graph drawing process yourself and draw each line or point individually. A sequence of commands to draw a triangle might look like:

```
Set2DPlotCL();
                          /* Select a 2D plot
                                                                * /
XRangeCL(-1.0,1.0);
                          /* Establish the new x-scale
                                                                * /
                          /* Establish the new y-scale
                                                                */
YRangeCL(-1.0, 1.0);
                          /* Draw the axes
                                                                * /
GAxesCL();
                          /* Move to the point (-1, -1)
                                                                * /
XYMoveCL(-1.0,-1.0);
                          /* Draw a line to the point ( 0, 1) */
XYDrawCL( 0.0, 1.0);
XYDrawCL( 1.0,-1.0);
                          /* Draw a line to the point ( 1,-1) */
XYDrawCL(-1.0,-1.0);
                          /* Draw a line to the point (-1,-1) */
```

To use this approach, before trying to draw anything, you must establish scales for your axes. This can be done with XRangeCL etc. (as in the example), but it also happens automatically when you call one of the high level CCATSL graphics routines with an AxisModeCT of AUTOAXES or RESCALE (see Section 3.3.1). Once the scales have been established, if you have not just called a high-level graphics routine, you will probably first want to draw the axes and axis-labels with GAxesCL. After that you can add points using XYSymbolCL, lines with XYMoveCL and XYDrawCL, polygons with XYPolygonCL and filled polygons with XYPolygonFillCL. The functions XYZSymbolCL, XYZMoveCL, XYZPolygonCL and XYZPolygonFillCL provide similar functionality for three-dimensional graphs.

(The routines XYSymbolCL and XYZSymbolCL are described in Section 3.3.3, while descriptions of XYPolygonCL, XYPolygonFillCL, XYZPolygonCL and XYZPolygonFillCL may be found in Section 6.1.)

GAxesCL

This command asks CCATSL to draw and label the axes. You do not normally have to call these routines yourself since CCATSL will draw (or re-draw) and label the axes whenever you use one of

the high level graphics routines. You should call either Set2DPlotCL or Set3DPlotCL prior to calling GAxesCL.

```
GAxesCL(); /* draw the axes */
```

Set2DPlotCL and Set3DPlotCL

These functions tell CCATSL the number of dimension in the next plot.

```
Set2DPlotCL(); /* prepare for a 2D plot */
/* .. */
Set3DPlotCL(); /* prepare for a 3D plot */
```

XYMoveCL, XYDrawCL, XYZMoveCL and XYZDrawCL

The routines either draw a line from the current graphics cursor to a specified point or move the graphics cursor to a new point. For two-dimensional graphs, the first two routines should be used. For three-dimensional graphs the final routines must be used. The syntax of these commands is straightforward:

```
XYMoveCL(1.0, 1.0) /* move the graphics cursor to (1.0, 1.0) */
XYDrawCL(1.0,-1.0) /* draw a line to (1.0, -1.0) */
```

for a two-dimensional graph, and

XYZMoveCL(1.0, 1.0, 1.0)	/*	move	the	graphics	cursor	to	(1.0,	1.0,	1.0)	*/
XYZDrawCL(1.0,-1.0, 1.0)	/*	draw	to ((1.0, -1.0), 1.0)					*/

for a three-dimensional graph. For example:

```
/examples/chapter3/drawabs.c
/*
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
ł
  double x,y;
  int change;
  double dx, dy;
  Set2DPlotCL();
 XRangeCL(-300,300);
  YRangeCL(-300,300);
  GAxesCL();
 x=0.0;
 y=0.0;
 XYMoveCL(0.0,0.0);
  while (x*x+y*y<90000) {
    change=RandomIntCL(4);
    dx=0.0;
    dy=0.0;
    switch (change) {
    case 1: dx= 1; break;
    case 2: dx=-1; break;
    case 3: dy= 1; break;
    case 4: dy=-1; break;
    }
    x=x+dx;
    y=y+dy;
    XYDrawCL(x,y);
  }
  return 0;
```



3.5 Printing out graphs

If you want to include your graphs in a word-processed report, the simplest way to proceed is by using Windows's builtin window-capture feature by pressing Alt+PrintScreen (this was how the screenshots for this book were produced). This copies the contents of the active window into the clipboard, and it can then be 'pasted' into your document in the normal way.

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A better approach which is more complicated, but more versatile, is to save each graph to a disk file called a metafile. This can be printed out later, or incorporated in a word-processed report. To create and save a metafile containing a graph, use the routines GRecordCL and GSaveCL. Alternatively, you can do everything from the system menu: select record graphics to start recording graphics commands, wait until your program has drawn the graph, then select Record current window graphics again, to stop recording. Now select Save recording as Metafile to save the recorded graphics. You may find it helpful to call the CCATSL function PauseCL at appropriate points in your program.

Once you have all your graphs saved as metafiles, they can be viewed and printed by selecting display metafile or print/display metafile from the system menu, or by calling DisplayMetaFilesCL (below) in your program.

The example program bloprint.c provides further demonstration.

GRecordCL

This routine 'opens' a metafile, causing subsequent graphics commands to the current graphics

window up to the next call to GSaveCL, to be recorded in the metafile. See GSaveCL for to see how to save the resulting metafile.

```
GRecordCL(); /* start recording graphics commands */
... /* commands to produce the graph */
GSaveCL("mygraph.wmf"); /* stop recording and save the graph */
```

GSaveCL

This routine saves the the sequence of graphics commands since the last GRecordCL in a disk file in Enhanced Windows Metafile Format. The file may be subsequently displayed and/or printed using the routine DisplayMetaFilesCL.

```
void GSaveCL (char *fnam);
```

fnam The filename to save the metafile under. If fnam="", the user will be prompted for a filename.

DisplayMetaFilesCL

DisplayMetaFilesCL prints out a collection of metafiles, positioning them in a grid on the page. The user will prompted for the names of the files, (the first may be specified in the call to DisplayMetaFilesCL) and for other information.

ncols	The number of columns in the grid.
nrows	The number of rows in the grid.
filename	The name of the first metafile. This may be " " in which case the user will be
	prompted for a filename.

Chapter 4

Using CCATSL Windows

CCATSL provides a simple interface for using windows, and for customising aspects of their appearance such as background colour, text colour and text font. The problem of displaying graphics in a CCATSL window is described in detail in the previous chapter. Here we concern ourselves with textual output.

4.1 Basic CCATSL window routines

CCATSL windows are created with WindowCL, or WindowExCL, but they must also be opened (made visible) with WShowCL before they can be used. Some other useful functions are WClearCL, which clears the window, WHideCL, which makes the window disappear (it can be restored with another call to WShowCL but the contents will need to be redrawn), and WCurrentCL (see Section 3.3.1) which changes the window in which CCATSL graphics appear.

WindowCL

This routine creates a new CCATSL window. The window will not be visible until after a call to WShowCL. A more general window creation routine is WindowExCL.

WindowCT	WindowCL	(double	left,
		double	bottom,
		double	right,
		double	top);

left,	The initial location of the of bottom-left and top-right corners of the window
bottom,	relative to the bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, and expressed as
right, top	proportions of the width and height of the main CCATSL window.

The return value is the id of the new window. Many of the example programs serve as illustrations of WindowCL but a minimal example might look like:

```
/* /examples/chapter4/newwin.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    WindowCT w;
    w=WindowCL(0.1,0.1,0.9,0.9);
    WShowCL(w);
    WTitleCL("A simple window");
    return 0;
}
```



WindowExCL

WindowExCL is a more general procedure for creating windows than WindowCL.

left,	The initial location of the of bottom-left and top-right corners of the window
bottom,	relative to the bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, and expressed as
right, top	proportions of the width and height of the main CCATSL window.
tcol, bgcol, gcol	tcol and bgcol specify the text colour and the background colour for the window. gcol sets the initial graphics line colour
wtype	The window type. See Section 7.2 for details.
pw,ph	The width and height of the 'bitmap', which may be larger than the actual window. This is only relevant if wtype=SCROLLINGWIN.

The return value is the id of the new window.

WShowCL

WShowCL makes a window previously created with WindowCL, or WindowExCL, or closed with WHideCL, visible again.

```
void WShowCL (WindowCT w);
```

w The identifier of the window to be opened.

WHideCL

This routine makes a given window disappear. The window can be made visible again using WShowCL but the contents will have to be redrawn.

void WHideCL (WindowCT w);

w The identifier of the window to be hidden.

4.2 Writing in a window

To write text in a CCATSL window, CCATSL provides the function PrintfCL.

PrintfCL

PrintfCL is the analogue of the standard C library routine printf but uses the current CCATSL window. The routine WLinesCL can be used to find out how many lines of text a window can hold.

An example of using PrintfCL is shown below. Note that because the exact screen location of the string is specified in the first two arguments, there is no need to append a newline character n to the format string.

```
int i;
double r;
/* ... */
PrintfCL(1,1,"Iteration=%i Radius=%f",i,r);
```

WLinesCL

WLinesCL returns the maximum number of text lines viewable in the current window. This is useful in the context of the routine PrintfCL.

```
n=WLinesCL();
```

4.3 Changing the appearance of text: colours and fonts

When you create a CCATSL window, you can specify an initial text and background colour; these can be changed at any time with the routine TextColoursCL. CCATSL also allows you to change the text font, with FontCL.

TextColoursCL

This routine changes the current text and background colours for a given window.

tcol The new text colour. bcol The new background color.

FontCL

This routine changes the current font used in the current window.

fontname	The name of the font, such as 'Arial', 'Times New Roman' or 'Courier New'.
size	The point size required.
style	The desired style, see Section 7.2 for details.

4.4 The message, status and error windows

CCATSL uses a standard mechanism for reporting status, error and informational messages. You can use this yourself with StatusCL, ErrorCL and MessageCL.

MessageCL, StatusCL and ErrorCL

These routines allow you to use CCATSL's standard mechanism for reporting status, error, and informational messages.

```
MessageCL("Please select an option"); /* Write to the message area */
StatusCL("Running..."); /* Write to the status area */
ErrorCL("Failed to converge"); /* Write error message and exit */
```

4.5 Printing it out

All the techniques for printing out graphs (Section 3.5) can be used to print out CCATSL windows containing text (as far as CCATSL is concerned, text is just a special type of graphic). If you use the standard C library routines printf and scanf (which write to a special window called the Stdio window) you can use PrintColourCL, PrintCL and the window-capture method (described in Section 3.5), or you can use fopen to write the data to a disk file (Section 1.9.4), and then load up the file and print it out from a text editor (including Emacs). Simpler ways which will work provided you haven't written more than 400 lines are FileStdioCL and PrintStdioCL.

FileStdioCLand PrintStdioCL

These routines provide an easy way of saving and printing out the last 400 lines of text from the Stdio window.

FileStdioCL("output.txt");	/* Save the Stdio window to a text file.	
	If the argument is "" the user will	
	be prompted for a filename. */	
PrintStdioCL();	/* Printout the contents of the Stdio window */	

The second of these can be accessed most easily via the system menu (obtained by clicking in the small box at the top-left of the main CCATSL window).

Chapter 5

Getting input from the user

5.1 Entering variables

This section describes more user-friendly alternatives to the standard C library routine scanf. For simple variables, CCATSL provides the routines ReadIntCL, ReadDoubleCL, and ReadStringCL which open a dialog box, prompt the user and return the input.

ReadIntCL, ReadDoubleCL and ReadStringCL

These routines open a dialog box, prompt the user, and return the value entered, by returning a variable of an appropriate type: (ints for ReadIntCL, doubles for ReadDoubleCL and char*s for ReadStringCL) (see Section 1.4.3 for information about strings and char* variables.) The routines have almost identical syntax so we will just describe ReadIntCL below:

p The prompt.default The value to use as default.

The return value is the value entered by the user For example:

```
int n;
double d;
char *name; /* will hold a string */
n=ReadIntCL("Enter n ",10); /* Read in an int */
d=ReadDoubleCL("Enter the stepsize ",0.0001); /* Read in a double */
name=ReadStringCL("Enter your name ",""); /* Read in a string */
```

5.2 Menus

Pull-down menus are a familiar part of most graphical user interfaces, and CCATSL make it very easy to include menus in your own programs. The simplest way is to use MenuCL, which creates a menu and then waits for the user to select one of the items. Sometimes you will want several menus side-by-side, each containing logically related functions. In this case you must define each menu separately with MenuOpenCL giving each menu a unique *menu ID*, and then call MenuSelectCL to obtain the user's selection. Once opened, a menu can be removed with MenuCloseCL.

It is sometimes useful to restrict the items that a user can select from your menus. CCATSL allows you to deactivate individual items in a menu (deactivated items will appear 'grayed'), or even an entire menu, using MenuRestrictCL and MenuRestCL. Deactivated items can be re-activated with MenuWakeCL.

Many of the example programs provide illustrations of the menu routines.

MenuCL

This routine creates a single pull-down menu, and then waits for the user to select one of the items.

- caption The string which appears at the top of the menu. Until the user clicks on it, only caption is visible, below which the entire menu will appear.
- itemList The list of menu items. This should be a \$-separated list of strings. Each string represents a menu item, except for the special string (-) which is interpreted as a separator (a horizontal line dividing menu items). See the example below.

The return value is the index of the selected item (starting from 1).

```
/* /examples/chapter5/ctmenu.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    int opt;
    do {
        opt=MenuCL("Options","Option 1$(-)$Option 2$Quit");
    } while (opt!=4);
    return 0;
}
```



MenuOpenCL

This routine defines a menu, opens it, and associates it with a menu ID. MenuSelectCL can be used to give the user the opportunity to select an item from such a menu.

id	The menu ID to associate with the menu. If a menu already exists with the same ID, the previous menu will be destroyed. Valid IDs are in the range 4–20.
caption	The string to appear at the top of the menu. Only the caption is visible until the user clicks on it, when the entire menu will appear beneath.
itemList	The list of items for the menu. This should be a \$ separated list of string. Each string represents a menu item, except for the special string (-) which is interpreted as a separator (a horizontal line dividing menu items).

MenuSelectCL

This routine waits for the user to select one of the items from one of the currently open menus (see MenuOpenCL) and returns the corresponding menu ID and item number. Only active menu items can be selected (see MenuWakeCL, MenuRestCL and MenuRestrictCL to see how to restrict the set of possible selections).

id Pointer to a variable to hold the menu ID of the selected item when MenuSelectCL returns.

item Pointer to a variable to hold the index (1, 2, etc.) of the selected item when MenuSelectCL returns.

```
/* /examples/chapter5/select_f.c */
#include <catam.h>
int MainCL(void)
{
    int nmenu,nitem;
    MenuOpenCL(4,"File","Quit");
    MenuOpenCL(5,"Edit","Paste");
    MenuSelectCL(&nmenu,&nitem);
}
```

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MenuCloseCL

This routine destroys an open menu (see MenuOpenCL). A typical use of MenuCloseCL is to replace one set of menus with another.

```
void MenuCLoseCL (int id);
```

id The menu ID of the menu to be closed and deleted.

MenuRestCL

This routine deactivates all the items of a menu, causing MenuSelectCL to ignore attempts to select any of its items. The items will appear 'grayed' to the user.

```
void MenuRestCL (int id);
```

id The ID of the menu to rest.

MenuWakeCL

This routine makes all items of a menu active again (see also MenuSelectCL, MenuRestCL and MenuRestrictCL.

```
void MenuWakeCL (int id);
```

id The ID of the menu.

MenuRestrictCL

This routine activates or deactivates a selection from a menu.

id	The ID of the menu.
item	The index $(1, 2, \text{etc.})$ of the item to activate or deactivate.
control	control=0 deactivates the item, control=1 activates it.

5.3 Entering and Editing arrays

CCATSL provides two useful routines allowing the user to enter and edit arrays of doubles and ints: EditDoubleArrayCL and EditIntArrayCL.

EditDoubleArrayCL

This routines displays a two-dimensional double array in a CCATSL window and gives the user the opportunity to edit the entries.

х, у	The text-coordinates of the position for the top-left corner of the array.		
field	The field-width to use when printing each array entry.		
ndec	The number of decimal places to display.		
ар	The array of doubles, defined as type typedef double two_d_double_array[][].		
nrows, ncols	The number of rows and columns to print. Usually nrows is the size of the first dimension in the declaration of the array ap, and ncols the second.		
nTotalCols	The size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array ap.		

For example:

```
4, 1, /* field width and decimal places */
r,
5, 10, 10); /* array dimensions */
```

EditIntArrayCL

}

This routine displays a two-dimensional int array in a CCATSL window and gives the user the opportunity to edit the entries.

х, у	The text-coordinates of the position for the top-left corner of the array.	
field	The field-width to use when printing each array entry.	
ар	The array of ints, defined as type typedef int two_d_int_array[][].	
nrows, ncols	The number of rows and columns to print. Usually nrows is the size of the first dimension in the declaration of the array ap, and ncols the second.	
nTotalCols	The size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array ap.	

Example: #include ;catam.h; int MainCL(void) int x[2][3] = 0, 1, 2, 10, 11, 12; EditIntArrayCL(1, 1, 5, x, 2, 3, 3);

If the array has only one dimension pass its address: #include ;catam.h; int MainCL(void) int y[12] = 0, 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 20, 21, 22, 23; EditIntArrayCL(1, 1, 5, &y, 3, 4, 4); printf("

5.4 The Escape key

Another type of input which is occasionally useful to detect is the hitting of the Escape. This is generally interpreted as some form of 'quitting'. A good place to check for Escape is inside a long loop, such as an iteration which may take a long time to converge. The user may decide that the iteration is not going to give a useful result and would like to restart it with different parameters. Good style would be to use StatusCL to tell the user that something is running and MessageCL to tell the user how to stop it. You can then test to see if Escape has been hit at some point in the loop:

```
StatusCL("Running...");
MessageCL("Hit Escape to quit")
do {
...
} while (fabs(err)>eps || EscapeCL());
```

Another useful routine is PauseCL, which simply waits until a key is pressed.

EscapeCL

This function returns true if the user has hit the Escape key since the last time EscapeCL was called.

```
StatusCL("Running...");
MessageCL("Hit <Esc> to quit")
do {
  ..
} while (fabs(err)>eps || EscapeCL());
```

PauseCL

This routine displays a message to the user and waits for a key to be pressed.

Chapter 6

Miscellaneous CCATSL routines

6.1 Graphics

XYPolygonCLand XYPolygonFillCL

These routines respectively draw and fill a polygonal region, defined by a sequence of points (x_i, y_i) . The colour used by XYPolygonFillCL can be changed with GBrushStyleCL. Since the syntax of the two routines is the same, we will just describe XYPolygonCL below. Routines for drawing and shading polygons defined by a sequence of coplanar points in three-dimensions are XYZPolygonCL and XYZPolygonFillCL.

void XYPo	lygonCL (double *xp,
	double *yp,
	int n,
	int ncols);
xp, yp	Arrays holding the sequences (x_i) and (y_i) .
n	The number of points in the sequences.
ncols	The size of the second dimension in the declaration of the arrays xp and yp.

XYZPolygonCLand XYZPolygonFillCL

These routines draw and fill a polygon, defined by a sequence of coplanar points (x_i, y_i, z_i) in threedimensions. The colour used by XYZPolygonFillCL can be changed with GBrushCL. Since the syntax of the two routines is the same, we will just describe XYZPolygonCL below.

void XYZPol	LygonCL (double *xp, double *yp, double *zp, int n, int ncols);
xp, yp, zp	Arrays holding the sequences (x_i) , (y_i) and (z_i) .
n	The number of points in the sequences.
ncols	The size of the second dimension in the declaration of the arrays xp, yp and zp.

IsotropicCL

This routine sets equals scales in all three coordinates, returning the adjusted ranges in a XYZRangesCT structure.

```
XYZRangesCT t;
t=IsotropicCL();
```

RGBColourCL

This routine constructs a ColourCT from a triple of ints representing the strengths of the red, green and blue components, and returns a ColourCT. The routine will, if required, store the new colour in the CTColourSet array, allowing it to be used in CCATSL routines such as ContourCL.

GDefaultsCL

This resets all the graphics parameters to the default.

```
GDefaultsCL(); /* Reset graphics parameters to the defaults */
```

AspectRatioCL

This function returns the screen's aspect ratio (the number of vertical lines divided by the number of horizontal lines).

```
double AspectRatioCL (int n);
```

n Identifies the area to be inspected. If n=0 the return value refers to the client area of the graphics window, if n=1 it refers to the entire graphics window (including the title bar etc.), and if n=2 it refers to the entire screen.

XYMouseCL

Waits for a mouse button to be pressed and returns the information related to the mouse click.

x,y Pointers to variables used to receive the location of the mouse click. The mouse must be clicked in the current graphics window. This function does not return sensible values if the current graphics window has a 3D graph!

The return value is 1 if the left mouse button was pressed and 2 if the right mouse button was pressed. If the Escape key is pressed the function returns 0 and x and y are unchanged. In this case EscapeCL should be called to clear the Escape flag before any further calls to XYMouseCL.

6.2 Windows, Menus and dialog boxes

WSelectCL

WSelectCL changes the graph window without bringing it to the front (helpful if you are drawing graphs in two windows).

WSelectCL(w); /* w has type WindowCT */

WTitleCL

CTwtitle changes the title of the current graphics window.

```
char* WTitleCL (char *title);
```

title The new window title.

The return value is the previous window title.

CursorCL

CursorCL changes the cursor (mouse pointer).

```
void CursorCL (CursorStyleCT csr);
```

csr The new cursor: ARROW, IBEAM, CROSS, RESIZE, WAIT, HIDDEN and VISIBLE.

6.3 Time

TickCL and TockCL

TickCL routine resets CCATSL's centi-second timer. TockCL returns the number of centi-seconds since the previous call to TickCL.

```
TickCL();
.... /* time this code */
time_taken=TockCL(); /* return type is int */
```

WaitCL

This routine pauses execution of the program for a specified number of seconds. See also PauseCL.

```
void WaitCL (double t);
```

t The number of seconds to pause for.

6.4 Disk files

FileFindCL and FileNewCL

These routines perform various file-related operations. FileFindCL uses a dialog box to prompt the user for the filename of an existing file, FileNewCL prompts the user for the name of a new file. The routines have the same syntax so we will only describe FileFindCL.

pname A string to receive the fully qualified pathname. fname A string to receive the filename.

The return value is false on failure.

FileDeleteCL

This routine deletes a file.

```
success=FileDeleteCL(pname);
```

```
/* delete the file with pathname pname
  (relative to the current directory) */
```

The return value is false on failure.

6.5 Random Numbers

CCATSL provides three functions for controlling the generation of pseudo-random numbers. RandomCL returns a random number distributed uniformly on [0, 1), RandomIntCL returns a random integer uniformly distributed on the set $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$ for specified $n \ge 2$, and SetRandomCL allows you to change the current state of the random number generator, useful if you want to ensure your program uses the same sequence of random number each time it is run.

RandomCL

This routine returns a random number uniformly distributed on [0, 1).

RandomIntCL

This routine returns a random integer uniformly distributed on the set $1, 2, \ldots, n$ for specified $n \ge 2$.

```
int RandomIntCL (int n);
```

```
n The size of the set
```

SetRandomCL

This routine allows you to change the current state of the random number generator. If it is not called, the program will generate the same sequence of random numbers each time it is run

```
void SetRandomCL (int seed);
```

seed If seed>0, this will set the seed for subsequent random number generations. If seed<0, the random number generator will be seeded using a number derived from the current time. Used this way, we can ensure that successive runs of a program use independent sequences of random numbers.

6.6 Miscellaneous

XSortCL

XSortCL sorts the entries of a one-dimensional array of doubles into increasing order.

xp Arı	ay contai	ning the	entries	to	sort .
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nx The number of elements in the array pointed to by xp.

XYSortCL

XYSortCL sorts the entries of a one-dimensional array of doubles into increasing order and applies the same permutation to a second array.

xp Array containing the entries to sort.

yp Second array to be re-ordered.

nx The number of elements in the arrays xp and yp.

XYZSortCL

XYZSortCL sorts the entries of two one-dimensional arrays into increasing order and applies the same permutations to the rows and columns of a second array.

ncols The size of the second dimension in the declaration of the array zp.

InitCL

InitCL allows you to change the inital size of the main CCATSL window.

left,	The position of the bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, expressed relative
bottom	to the bottom-left corner of the screen, as a proportion of its width and height.
top,	The position of the top-right corner of the main CCATSL window, expressed relative to
right	the bottom-left corner of the screen, as a proportion of its width and height.

InitStdioCL

InitStdioCL allows you to change the inital size and position of the Stdio (standard input/output) window.

left,	The position of the bottom-left corner of the Stdio window, expressed relative to the			
bottom	bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, as a proportion of its width an			
top, right	The position of the top-right corner of the Stdio window, expressed relative to the bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, as a proportion of its width and			
	height.			

InitGraphicsCL

InitGraphicsCL allows you to change the inital size and position of the default graphics window.

void Init(GrahicsCL (double left, double bottom, double top, double right);
left, bottom	The position of the bottom-left corner of the default graphics window, expressed relative to the bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, as a proportion of its width and height.
top, right	The position of the top-right corner of the default graphics window, expressed relative to the bottom-left corner of the main CCATSL window, as a proportion of its width and height.

HaltCL

HaltCL terminates the program.

HaltCL(); /* Stop here */

Chapter 7

CCATSL variables, types and constants

7.1 Mathematical Functions

ODEFunctionCT

This type is used to declare user-defined functions passed to ODE solving routines such as Rk4CL. Such a function should take three arguments, a double, and two arrays of doubles. See the example program demonstrating Rk4CL for an illustration.

7.2 Graphics

WindowCT

WindowCT is the CCATSL type used to referring to a window.

AxisModeCT

Arguments of type AxisModeCT control major aspects of how CCATSL draws graphs. Full details are in Section 3.3.2.

DrawDataCT (Standard plotting symbols)

Arguments of type DrawDataCT generally specify how points should appear in CCATSL graphics operations (though which values are sensible depend on the context). Whenever an argument of type Drawdataoption is required, one of BLANK, DOT, PLUS, XCROSS, SQUARE, TRIANGLE and JOIN is expected.

DrawObjectCT

Arguments of type DrawObjectCT control the appearance of complex plots such as contours and surfaces. CONTOURS2D requests a contour plot in the form of a flat 'map', CONTOURS3D produces a 3D plot, WIREFRAME asks for a wireframe surface plot, SURFACE produces a hidden line surface plot.

LineStyleCT

This type is used to define line styles. Possible values are SOLID_LINE, DASH_LINE, DOT_LINE, DASHDOT_LINE, and NULL_LINE.

BrushStyleCT

This type is used to define brush styles. Possible choicese are SOLID_FILL, BDIAGONAL_HATCH, FDIAGONAL_HATCH, CROSS_HATCH, DIAGONAL_CROSS_HATCH, HORIZONTAL_HATCH, VERTICAL_HATCH.

CursorStyleCT

This type is used to define cursor styles. Possible values are ARROW, IBEAM, CROSS, RESIZE, WAIT, HIDDEN and VISIBLE.

LineModeCT

This type is used to define the way lines should appear when they cross existing lines.

```
typedef enum {
   NORMAL_MODE, INVERT_MODE, EOR_MODE, OR_MODE, AND_MODE
} LineModeCT;
```

XYZRangesCT

This struture is returned by IsotropicCL to return the new ranges:

```
typedef struct
{
    double Xmin;
    double Xmax;
    double Ymin;
    double Ymax;
    double Zmin;
    double Zmax;
} XYZRangesCT; /* values returned from IsotropicCL*/
```

WindowTypeCT

This type is used in conjunction with the window creation routines such as WindowExCL.

```
typedef enum {
   GRAPHICSWIN, /* graphics window - mobile, fixed size, title*/
   SCROLLINGWIN, /* scrolling graphics window - resizeable, title*/
   PLAINWIN, /* plain window - fixed absolutely, no title*/
   TEXTWIN /* text window - mobile, size box, title*/
} WindowTypeCT;
```

FontStyleCT

This type is used to specify desired font characteristics.

```
typedef enum {
    PLAIN, BOLD, ITALIC, BOLDITALIC
} FontStyleCT;
```

Colours

CCATSL uses the type ColourCT for colours, and defines a number of global variables of type ColourCT to give easy access to a range of common colours.

BlackCC,BlueCC,GreenCC,CyanCC,RedCC,MagentaCC,BrownCC,GrayCC,LightGrayCC,LightBlueCC,LightGreenCC,LightCyanCC,LIghtRedCC,LightMagentaCC,YellowCC,WhiteCC;

7.3 Miscellaneous

ErrorFlagCDand ErrorMessageCD

ErrorFLagCL is a global int variable used by the mathematical functions (Chapter 2) to signal an error. If an error occurs, ErrorFlagCD will be set to be true and the global char* variable ErrorMessageCD will point to a relevant error message. This may be displayed via ErrorCL(ErrorMessageCD).

boolean

CCATSL defines the boolean type as unsigned char, and the constants true as 1, and false as 0.
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