

c. In the algorithm GOMORY there are statements of the form

$$C := \text{entier}(A/B)$$

where C is an integer variable, and A and B are integer type expressions. In order to prevent roundoff errors the result C should be checked to make sure that

$$C \times B \leq A < C \times B + B$$

and corrected if these inequalities are not satisfied.

The corrections, a, b, c, lead to a program which cannot fail unless the products developed should overflow. However, anyone who wishes to use the algorithm may prefer to do some analysis of the particular division his computer performs and seek an alternative which is not as time-consuming. Many machines have a built-in Euclidean division instruction for integer numbers which would be very useful for Gomory's algorithm. Unfortunately ALGOL translators are not likely to produce this instruction in their object programs since an arithmetical expression A/B is a real type expression by definition.

procedure Gomory 1 (m, n) transient: (a) exit: (*no solution*);
value m, n ;
integer m, n ;
integer array a ;
label *no solution*;

comment Gomory 1 algorithm for all-integer programming. The objective of this procedure is to determine the integer solution $x[1], \dots, x[n-1]$ of a linear programming problem with integer coefficients only. In other words: The problem is to find integer numbers

$$x[1], \dots, x[n-1]$$

minimizing the objective function

$$a[0, 1] \times x[1] + \dots + a[0, n-1] \times x[n-1]$$

under the constraints

$$x[1] \geq 0, \dots, x[n-1] \geq 0$$

and

$$a[i, 1] \times x[1] + \dots + a[i, n-1] \times x[n-1] \leq a[i, n]$$

for $i = 1, \dots, m-n+1$ ($2 \leq n \leq m$).

The tableau matrix a used by the procedure consists of $m+1$ rows and n columns. The components are $a[i, j]$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$.

The input values for the components are given partly by the problem itself (see above). The remaining components must have been previously assigned in the following manner:

$$a[0, n] := 0$$

and

$$a[i, j] := \text{if } i = j + m - n + 1 \text{ then } -1 \text{ else } 0$$

for $i = m-n+2, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$. The tableau columns, with the exception of the last column, have to be lexicographically positive.

The algorithm is finished if all entries in the last column, except the topmost entry, are non-negative. Then $-a[0, n]$ is the value of the objective function. The optimal solution $x[1], \dots, x[n-1]$ is given by the $n-1$ components $a[m-n+2, n], \dots, a[m, n]$ of the last column of a .

The exit *no solution* is used if a row is found which has a negative entry in the last column, but otherwise only non-negative entries;

begin integer $i, k, j, l, r, c, t, s, \text{lambda num}, \text{lambda denom}$;
integer procedure Euclid (u, v);

value u, v ;

integer u, v ;

begin integer w ;

$w := \text{entier}(u/v)$;

L8: **if** $w \times v > u$ **then**

begin $w := w-1$; **go to** L8 **end**;

L9: **if** $(w+1) \times v \leq u$ **then**

begin $w := w+1$; **go to** L9 **end**;

Euclid := w

end Euclid;

L1: **for** $i := 1$ **step** 1 **until** m **do** **if** $a[i, n] < 0$ **then**

begin $r := i$; **go to** L2 **end**;

go to end;

L2: **for** $k := 1$ **step** 1 **until** $n-1$ **do** **if** $a[r, k] < 0$ **then** **go to** L4;
go to no solution;

L4: $l := k$;

for $j := k+1$ **step** 1 **until** $n-1$ **do** **if** $a[r, j] < 0$ **then**

begin $i := 0$;

L3: **if** $a[i, j] < a[i, l]$ **then** $l := j$ **else**

if $a[i, j] = a[i, l]$ **then**

begin $i := i+1$; **go to** L3 **end**

end;

$s := 0$;

L5: **if** $a[s, l] = 0$ **then**

begin $s := s+1$; **go to** L5 **end**;

lambda num := $-a[r, l]$;

lambda denom := 1;

for $j := 1$ **step** 1 **until** $l-1, l+1$ **step** 1 **until** $n-1$ **do**

if $a[r, j] < 0$ **then**

begin

for $i := 0$ **step** 1 **until** $s-1$ **do** **if** $a[i, j] \neq 0$ **then** **go to** L7;

$t := \text{Euclid}(a[s, j], a[s, l])$;

if $(t \times a[s, l] = a[s, j]) \wedge (t > 1)$ **then**

begin $i := s$;

L6: $i := i+1$;

if $t \times a[i, l] = a[i, j]$ **then** **go to** L6 **else**

if $t \times a[i, l] > a[i, j]$ **then** $t := t-1$

end;

if $-a[r, j] \times \text{lambda denom} > t \times \text{lambda num}$ **then**

begin lambda num := $-a[r, j]$; lambda denom := t **end**;

L7: **end**;

for $j := 1$ **step** 1 **until** $l-1, l+1$ **step** 1 **until** n **do**

begin $c := \text{Euclid}(a[r, j] \times \text{lambda denom}, \text{lambda num})$;

if $c \neq 0$ **then**

for $i := 0$ **step** 1 **until** m **do**

$a[i, j] := a[i, j] + c \times a[i, l]$

end;

go to L1;

end:

end

ALGORITHM 264

INTERPOLATION IN A TABLE [E1]

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real procedure INPOL($T, X, I, N, OUT, XOUT, EXPOL$);

value X, N ; **array** T, X ; **integer** I ; **integer array** N ;
real $XOUT, EXPOL$; **Boolean** OUT ;

comment Evaluation of a function by polynomial interpolation in a table of values.

The values may be specified at arbitrary intervals, at nodes of a multidimensional rectangular grid. The interpolation is by Neville's process, repeated in each dimension.

The given values are arranged in a one-dimensional real array T , as follows. The first value in the table, $T[0]$, is D , the number of independent variables (or dimensions). It will normally be integral (although of type real), but if not then its integral part is taken. $T[1], T[2], \dots, T[D]$ are the numbers of values of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_D , and must be integral. These are followed by

$T[1]$ values of X_1 , $T[2]$ values of X_2 , \dots $T[D]$ values of X_D . The values of each of these independent variables must all be distinct and must be arranged in monotonic order. Finally come the $T[1] \times T[2] \times \dots \times T[D]$ values of the dependent variable $F(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_D)$, arranged as $T[D]$ sets of $T[D-1]$ sets of \dots of $T[2]$ sets of $T[1]$ values of F .

The table is represented by a one-dimensional array because it is not feasible to use a general D -dimensional array.

The given values of the independent variables are $X[I]$ ($I=1, 2, \dots, D$). $N[I]$ of the tabulated values $X[I]$ are used to interpolate in the I th dimension. $INPOL$ is the required value of the function. The actual parameter corresponding to the formal parameter $EXPOL$ should be an expression which provides the value of $INPOL$ if any of the $X[I]$ is outside the range covered by the array T . If this occurs $XOUT$ is the particular value of $X[I]$ concerned. The variables I , OUT and $XOUT$ are declared as formal parameters of $INPOL$ so that they may be used in the actual parameter corresponding to the formal parameter $EXPOL$.

An example of a call of $INPOL$ is $Z := INPOL(A, X, K, N, OUT, Y, \text{if } K=1 \text{ then } EXTRAPOLATE(A, 1, N, OUT, Y) \text{ else if } K=2 \text{ then } LIMTAB(A, 2, OUT, Y) \text{ else } Y-2)$. If $X[1]$ is outside the range covered by the array A this statement will use the extrapolatory procedure $EXTRAPOLATE$ (given below) to provide a value for $INPOL$. If $X[2]$ is out of range the procedure $LIMTAB$ (also given below) will be used to replace the value of $X[2]$ by its value at the nearer edge of the table, before returning to $INPOL$ to continue the interpolation. If some other variable ($X[3]$, say) is out of range the value of $INPOL$ is taken as $X[3] - 2$.

The procedures $INPOL$, $EXTRAPOLATE$ and $LIMTAB$ were tested on an ICT Atlas computer. They were also tested on a National-Elliott 803 computer, after being altered to conform to the restrictions of the 803 ALGOL compiler. The tests were for $D = 0, 1, 2$ and 3 , and included all special cases;
begin integer D, J, K, L, M, Q, XI ;

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procedure FORS3( $N, P, V, UB$ );
  value  $N$ ; integer  $N$ ; procedure  $P$ ;
  integer array  $V, UB$ ;
comment Nesting of for statements, adapted from procedure
  Fors 1 [Algorithm 137, Comm. ACM 5 (Nov. 1962), 555];
begin integer  $J$ ;
  if  $N = 0$  then  $P$  else for  $J := 1$  step 1 until  $UB[N]$  do
    begin  $V[N] := J$ ; FORS3( $N-1, P, V, UB$ ) end
end FORS3;

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real procedure NEV( $X, AX, SAX, AY, SAY, N$ );
  value  $X, SAX, SAY, N$ ; real  $X$ ; integer  $SAX, SAY, N$ ;
  array  $AX, AY$ ;
comment One-dimensional interpolation by Neville's process.
   $N$  values of the independent variable are used in the interpolation, namely,  $N$  consecutive elements of array  $AX$  starting at subscript  $SAX$ . The corresponding values of the dependent variable are the  $N$  consecutive elements of array  $AY$  starting at subscript  $SAY$ .  $X$  is the value of the independent variable for which the value of the dependent variable (namely,  $NEV$ ) is to be interpolated;
begin integer  $I, J, NJ, KI$ ; array  $F[0: N-1]$ ;
  for  $J := 0$  step 1 until  $N - 1$  do  $F[J] := AY[SAY + J]$ ;
  for  $J := 1$  step 1 until  $N - 1$  do
    begin
       $NJ := N - J - 1$ ;
      for  $I := 0$  step 1 until  $NJ$  do
        begin
           $KI := SAX + I$ ;
           $F[I] := (F[I+1]-F[I]) \times (X-AX[KI]) /$ 
             $(AX[KI+J]-AX[KI])+F[I]$ 

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          end;
           $NEV := F[0]$ 
        end  $NEV$ ;

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   $D := \text{entier}(T[0])$ ;
comment  $D =$  number of dimensions. The special case  $D = 0$ 
  implies that the tabulated function  $F$  is a constant, the value
  of which is  $T[1]$ . The same value is taken if  $D < 0$ ;
if  $D < 1$  then  $INPOL := T[1]$  else

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begin  $XI := 1$ ;
  for  $I := 1$  step 1 until  $D$  do
    begin
      if  $N[I] < 2$  then  $N[I] := 2$ ;
      if  $N[I] > T[I]$  then  $N[I] := T[I]$ ;
comment Adjustment of number of points used for interpolation.
  Normally  $N[I]$  must be at least 2, and if  $N[I] < 2$  it is set equal to 2.  $N[I]$  also may not exceed the number of values of the independent variable in the corresponding dimension (namely,  $T[I]$ ), and if it does so it is reduced accordingly.

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The combination of these two tests, in this order, permits as a special case one-point interpolation in any particular dimension (I , say), if $T[I] = 1$. This implies that the dependent variable is independent of $X[I]$. If this is intended then the actual parameter corresponding to the formal parameter $EXPOL$ must be a function designator which (if called for) replaces the value of $XOUT$ by the single value of the I th variable from the array T . (Procedure $LIMTAB$ may be used for this purpose.)

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  Since array  $N$  is called by value none of these adjustments affects the values of  $N[I]$  in the nonlocal array  $N$ ;
   $XI := XI + N[I]$ 
end  $I$ ;
begin array  $F[1: XI-N[1]]$ ; integer array  $V, XINIT, YINC[1: D]$ ;

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procedure ONEWAY;
comment Performs an interpolation in the first dimension. If this is the last of a set of  $N[2]$  such interpolations, a further interpolation is performed in the second dimension, and so on to as many higher levels as necessary;
begin  $F[V[1]] := NEV(X[1], T, XINIT[1], T, Q, L)$ ;
   $I := 1$ ;  $M := 0$ ;
  for  $K := 1$  step 1 until  $D - 1$  do
    begin  $Q := Q + YINC[K]$ ;
      if  $V[K] \neq N[K]$  then go to CONTINUE else
        begin  $M := M + N[K]$ ;
           $F[M+V[K+1]] := NEV(X[K+1], T, XINIT[K+1],$ 
             $F, I, N[K])$ ;
           $I := I + N[K]$ 
        end
      end;
    CONTINUE;
  end ONEWAY;

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   $Q := XI + D + 1$ ;  $M := 1$ ;
  for  $I := 1$  step 1 until  $D$  do
    begin  $K := XI + T[I] - 1$ ;
       $OUT := (X[I] - T[XI]) \times (X[I] - T[K]) > 0$ ;
      if  $OUT$  then
        begin
           $XOUT := X[I]$ ;  $INPOL := EXPOL$ ;  $X[I] := XOUT$ ;
          if  $T[0] \leq 0$ 
            then begin  $K := K + T[0]$ ;  $T[0] := D$  end
        end;

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comment If $X[I]$ is outside the range covered by the table, the extrapolatory expression $EXPOL$ is evaluated. It is expected that it will often be or contain one or more function designators, together with criteria for choosing between them, as in the example above.

$EXPOL$ may incorporate, e.g., any of the following alternatives. In the first and third of these the side effects are the important ones, the value assigned to $EXPOL$ being merely a dummy to conform with Section 5.4.4 of the Revised Report on Algol 60 [Comm. ACM 6 (Jan. 1963), 1-17].

1. $EXPOL$ may be a function designator which uses the interpolatory formula to extrapolate by executing the statement $OUT := \text{false}$ and returning to $INPOL$. The last $N[I]$ values of $X[I]$ are used in the formula, but $EXPOL$ may arrange to use the first $N[I]$ values instead (which will usually be preferable if $X[I]$ lies beyond the lower limit of the table) by executing the statement $T[0] := N[I] - T[I]$ (in which the value of the local $N[I]$ is to be used if it differs from that of the nonlocal $N[I]$). The procedure $EXTRAPOLATE$ (given below) may be used for this purpose.

2. $EXPOL$ may use some other formula to extrapolate, after which it must return to $INPOL$ without altering the value of the Boolean variable OUT . If this is all that is required the actual parameter corresponding to $EXPOL$ may be an ordinary arithmetic expression containing no function designators.

3. $EXPOL$ may be a function designator which constrains $X[I]$ to lie within range by replacing it by the value of the I th variable at the nearer limit of the table (or by some other value). In doing this it must operate on the value of $XOUT$ and not directly on $X[I]$. The nonlocal array X will not be affected. $EXPOL$ must also execute the statement $OUT := \text{false}$ before returning to $INPOL$. The procedure $LIMTAB$ (given below) may be used for this purpose.

4. $EXPOL$ may do something else and continue the program without returning to $INPOL$ (e.g., by a **go to** statement referring to a nonlocal label). This should be considered an error exit as the value of $INPOL$ will be undefined (see Section 5.4.4 of the Revised Report on Algol 60);

if OUT **then go to** B ;

comment If $OUT = \text{true}$ on exit from $INPOL$ then extrapolation has occurred. The converse is not necessarily true, as it depends on the nature of the actual parameter corresponding to the formal parameter $EXPOL$;

$J := XI$;

$L := (J+K) \div 2$;

if $(X[I]-T[J]) \times (X[I]-T[L]) > 0$ **then** $J := L$ **else**
 $K := L$;

if $K - J > 1$ **then go to** A ; **comment** Find $X[I]$ in table;

$L := K - N[I] \div 2$;

if $L \leq XI$ **then** $L := XI$ **else**

begin

$K := XI + T[I] - N[I]$; **if** $L > K$ **then** $L := K$

end Adjustment near edge of table;

$Q := Q + T[I] + (L - XI) \times M$; $XINIT[I] := L$;

$XI := XI + T[I]$;

$YINC[I] := M \times (T[I] - (\text{if } I=1 \text{ then } 0 \text{ else } N[I]))$;

$M := M \times T[I]$

end I ;

$V[D] := 1$; $L := N[1]$;

for $I := 1$ **step 1** **until** $D - 1$ **do** $N[I] := N[I+1]$;

$FORS3(D-1, ONEWAY, V, N)$; $INPOL := F[M+1]$

end scope of F

end $D \geq 1$;

B :

end $INPOL$;

real procedure $EXTRAPOLATE(T, I, N, OUT, XOUT)$;

array T ; **integer** I ; **integer array** N ; **Boolean** OUT ;

real $XOUT$;

comment This function designator is intended for use in the actual parameter corresponding to the formal parameter $EXPOL$ in a call of procedure $INPOL$. The parameters have the same significance as in $INPOL$.

$EXTRAPOLATE$ arranges for the interpolatory formula to be used to extrapolate for the I th variable, and for the first $N[I]$ values of this variable to be used in the formula instead of its last $N[I]$ values if it lies beyond the lower limit of the table;

begin **integer** J, K ;

$OUT := \text{false}$; $EXTRAPOLATE := 0$;

comment This statement assigns a dummy value to $EXTRAPOLATE$ to conform with Section 5.4.4 of the Revised Report on Algol 60;

$J := 1$; **for** $K := 0$ **step 1** **until** $I - 1$ **do** $J := J + T[K]$;

if $T[I] = 1$ **then** $XOUT := T[J]$ **else**

if $\text{abs}(XOUT - T[J]) < \text{abs}(XOUT - T[J+T[I]-1])$ **then**

begin $K := N[I]$;

if $K < 2$ **then** $K := 2$;

if $K > T[I]$ **then** $K := T[I]$;

$T[0] := K - T[I]$

end

end $EXTRAPOLATE$;

real procedure $LIMTAB(T, I, OUT, XOUT)$;

array T ; **integer** I ; **Boolean** OUT ; **real** $XOUT$;

comment This function designator is intended for use in the actual parameter corresponding to the formal parameter $EXPOL$ in a call of procedure $INPOL$. The parameters have the same significance as in $INPOL$.

$LIMTAB$ replaces the value of $XOUT$, which is outside the range of the table, by the value of the I th variable at the nearer edge of the table;

begin **integer** J, K ;

$J := 1$; **for** $K := 0$ **step 1** **until** $I - 1$ **do** $J := J + T[K]$;

$K := J + T[I] - 1$;

$LIMTAB := XOUT := \text{if } \text{abs}(XOUT - T[J]) >$

$\text{abs}(XOUT - T[K])$ **then** $T[K]$ **else** $T[J]$;

comment This statement assigns a dummy value to $LIMTAB$ to conform with Section 5.4.4 of the Revised Report on Algol 60;

$OUT := \text{false}$

end $LIMTAB$

ALGORITHM 265

FIND PRECEDENCE FUNCTIONS [L2]

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procedure $Precedence(M, f, g, n, fail)$;

value n ; **integer** n ; **integer array** M, f, g ; **label** $fail$;

comment M is a given $n \times n$ matrix of integers designating one of the four relations $<$, $=$, $>$, \circ . The identifiers ls , eq , gr designate variables declared outside the procedure to which distinct integers representing the relations $<$, $=$, $>$ have been assigned. This procedure then determines integers $f[1] \dots f[n]$ and $g[1] \dots g[n]$ such that for all i, j , $f[i] M[i, j] g[j]$ is true and so that the

smallest of these integers is +1. \circ designates the empty relation, so that $x \circ y$ is true for arbitrary x, y . If M is such that no f and g exist which satisfy all n^2 relations, then control is transferred to the label parameter *fail*. This procedure has been used to determine the precedence functions of symbols in a given precedence grammar (see [FLOYD, R. Syntactic analysis and operator precedence. *J.ACM* 10 (1963), 316-333]);

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begin integer i, j, k, k1, fmin, gmin;
procedure fixrow (i, l, x); value i, l, x; integer i, l, x;
begin integer j; f[i] := g[l] + x;
  if k = k1 then
    begin if M[i, k] = ls  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\geq$  g[k] then go to fail else
          if M[i, k] = eq  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\neq$  g[k] then go to fail
        end;
    for j := k1 step -1 until 1 do
      if M[i, j] = ls  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\geq$  g[j] then fixcol (i, j, 1) else
      if M[i, j] = eq  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\neq$  g[j] then fixcol (i, j, 0)
    end fixrow;
  procedure fixcol (l, j, x); value l, j, x; integer l, j, x;
  begin integer i; g[j] := f[l] + x;
    if k  $\neq$  k1 then
      begin if M[k, j] = gr  $\wedge$  f[k]  $\leq$  g[j] then go to fail else
            if M[k, j] = eq  $\wedge$  f[k]  $\neq$  g[j] then go to fail
          end;
      for i := k step -1 until 1 do
        if M[i, j] = gr  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\leq$  g[j] then fixrow (i, j, 1) else
        if M[i, j] = eq  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\neq$  g[j] then fixrow (i, j, 0)
      end fixcol;
    k1 := 0;
    for k := 1 step 1 until n do
      begin fmin := 1;
        for j := 1 step 1 until k1 do
          if M[k, j] = gr  $\wedge$  fmin  $\leq$  g[j] then fmin := g[j] + 1 else
          if M[k, j] = eq  $\wedge$  fmin  $<$  g[j] then fmin := g[j];
        f[k] := fmin;
        for j := k1 step -1 until 1 do
          if M[k, j] = ls  $\wedge$  fmin  $\geq$  g[j] then fixcol (k, j, 1) else
          if M[k, j] = eq  $\wedge$  fmin  $>$  g[j] then fixcol (k, j, 0);
        k1 := k1 + 1; gmin := 1;
        for i := 1 step 1 until k do
          if M[i, k] = ls  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\geq$  gmin then gmin := f[i] + 1 else
          if M[i, k] = eq  $\wedge$  f[i]  $>$  gmin then gmin := f[i];
        g[k] := gmin;
        for i := k step -1 until 1 do
          if M[i, k] = gr  $\wedge$  f[i]  $\leq$  gmin then fixrow (i, k, 1) else
          if M[i, k] = eq  $\wedge$  f[i]  $<$  gmin then fixrow (i, k, 0)
        end k
      end k
end Precedence
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ALGORITHM 266 PSEUDO-RANDOM NUMBERS [G5]

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real procedure random (a, b, y);
real a, b; integer y;
comment random generates a pseudo-random number in the open interval (a, b) where $a < b$. The procedure assumes that integer arithmetic up to $3125 \times 67108863 = 209715196875$ is available. The actual parameter corresponding to y must be an integer identifier, and at the first call of the procedure its value must be an odd integer within the limits 1 to 67108863 inclusive. If a correct sequence is to be generated, the value of this inte-

ger identifier must not be changed between successive calls of the procedure;

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begin
  y := 3125  $\times$  y; y := y - (y  $\div$  67108864)  $\times$  67108864;
  random := y / 67108864.0  $\times$  (b - a) + a
end random
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Coveyou [2] showed that for multiplicative congruential methods of generating pseudorandom numbers, the correlation between successive numbers will be approximately the reciprocal of the multiplying factor. Greenberger [3] showed further that the factor should be considerably less than the square root of the modulus.

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An algorithm must be written in the ALGOL 60 Reference Language [*Comm. ACM* 6 (Jan. 1963), 1-17], and normally consists of a commented procedure declaration. Each algorithm must be accompanied by a complete driver program in ALGOL 60 which generates test data, calls the procedure, and outputs test answers. Moreover, selected previously obtained test answers should be given in comments in either the driver program or the algorithm. The driver program may be published with the algorithm if it would be of major assistance to a user.

Input and output should be achieved by procedure statements, using one of the following five procedures (whose body is not specified in ALGOL): [see "Report on Input-Output Procedures for ALGOL 60," *Comm. ACM* 7 (Oct. 1964), 628-629].

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procedure inreal (channel, destination); value channel; integer channel;
  real destination; comment the number read from channel channel is assigned to the variable destination; . . . ;
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procedure outreal (channel, source); value channel, source; integer channel;
  real source; comment the value of expression source is output to channel channel; . . . ;
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procedure ininteger (channel, destination);
  value channel; integer channel, destination; . . . ;
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procedure outinteger (channel, source);
  value channel, source; integer channel, source; . . . ;
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procedure outstring (channel, string); value channel; integer channel;
  string string; . . . ;
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If only one channel is used by the program, it should be designated by 1. Examples:

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outstring (1, 'x ='); outreal (1, x);
for i := 1 step 1 until n do outreal (1, A[i]);
ininteger (1, digit [17]);
```

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The method of Algorithm 133 [1] satisfies Greenberger's condition, but since the reciprocal of its multiplying factor is as high as 0.2, Coveyou's result shows that it is very unsatisfactory for purposes requiring statistically independent consecutive random numbers.

Algorithms 133 and 266 have both been tested by computing a number of sets of 2000 successive random integers between 0 and 9, dividing each set into 400 groups of 5, and performing the poker test [4]. The results were classified in the following seven categories:

- (i) all different
- (ii) 1 pair
- (iii) 2 pairs
- (iv) 3 of a kind
- (v) 3 of a kind and 1 pair
- (vi) 4 of a kind
- (vii) 5 of a kind.

The following tables resulted:

ALGORITHM 133

Run	Starting Value	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)
1	13421773	114	193	42	37	7	7	0
2	22369621	111	181	46	40	14	8	0
3	33554433	130	178	48	28	7	6	3
4	6871947673	118	179	51	35	10	5	2
5	11453246123	128	189	44	28	6	4	1
6	17179869185	135	155	45	52	6	5	2
Expected for each Run		120.96	201.60	43.20	28.80	3.60	1.80	0.04
Total for 6 Runs		736	1075	276	220	50	35	8
Expected for Total		725.76	1209.60	259.20	172.80	21.60	10.80	0.24

ALGORITHM 266

Run	Starting Value	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)	(v)	(vi)	(vii)
1	13421773	132	191	35	38	2	2	0
2	22369621	140	187	45	27	0	1	0
3	33554433	129	198	44	25	4	0	0
4	8426219	107	202	50	37	2	2	0
5	42758321	101	207	60	25	5	2	0
6	56237485	118	203	42	34	1	2	0
7	62104023	119	206	41	27	6	1	0
Expected for each Run		120.96	201.60	43.20	28.80	3.60	1.80	0.04
Total for 7 Runs		846	1394	317	213	20	10	0
Expected for Total		846.72	1411.20	302.40	201.60	25.20	12.60	0.28

Combining categories (vi) and (vii) in each case, the observed totals give χ^2 values (on 5 degrees of freedom) of 159.0 for Algorithm 133, and of 3.28 for Algorithm 266.

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ALGORITHM 267

RANDOM NORMAL DEVIATE [G5]

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procedure *RND*(*x1*, *x2*, *Random*);

real procedure *Random*; **real** *x1*, *x2*;

comment *RND* uses two calls of the real procedure *Random* which is any pseudo-random number generator which will produce at each call a random number lying strictly between 0 and 1. A suitable procedure is given by Algorithm 266, Pseudo-Random Numbers [*Comm. ACM* 8(Oct. 1965), 605] if one chooses $a = 0$, $b = 1$ and initializes y to some large odd number, such as 13421773. *RND* produces two independent random variables x_1 and x_2 each from the normal distribution with mean 0 and variance 1. The method used is given by Box, G.E.P., AND MULLER, M.E., A note on the generation of random normal deviates. [*Ann. Math. Stat.* 29 (1958), 610-611];

begin real t ;

$x_1 := \text{sqrt}(-2.0 \times \ln(\text{Random}))$;

$t := 6.2831853072 \times \text{Random}$;

comment $6.2831853072 = 2 \times \pi$;

$x_2 := x_1 \times \sin(t)$; $x_1 := x_1 \times \cos(t)$

end RND

Algorithm 121, NormDev [*Comm. ACM* 5 (Sept. 1962), 482; 8 (Sept. 1965), 556] also produces random normal deviates and Algorithm 200, NORMAL RANDOM [*Comm. ACM* 6 (Aug. 1963), 444; 8 (Sept. 1965), 556] produces random deviates with an approximate normal distribution, but the procedure *RND* seems preferable to both of them.

We may compare *NORMAL RANDOM* to *RND* (which is exact) by noting that at recommended minimum n *NORMAL RANDOM* requires 10 calls of *Random* while *RND* gets two independent normal deviates from 2 calls of *Random* and one call each of *sqrt*, *ln*, *sin* and *cos*. Under the stated test conditions a single call of *NORMAL RANDOM* (with $n = 10$) took 20 percent more computing time than a single call of *RND* when the real procedure *Random* was given by Algorithm 266.

To compare *NormDev* to *RND* in the same way, we have first to calculate the expected number of calls of *ln*, *sqrt*, *exp* and *Random* for each call of *NormDev*. This may be done by noting that there is (1) an initial single call of *Random*, then (2) with probability 0.68 a random normal deviate restricted to (0, 1) has to be found and this requires on average 1.36 calls of *Random* and 1.18 calls of *exp*, and (3) with probability 0.32 a random normal deviate restricted to (1, ∞) has to be found and this requires on average 2.04 calls of *Random* and 1.52 calls of each of *ln* and *sqrt*. *NormDev* thus requires on average 2.58 calls of *Random*, 0.80 calls of *exp*, 0.49 calls of *ln* and 0.49 calls of *sqrt*. (Note: *NormDev* requires one further call of *Random* if a signed normal deviate is required.) Under the stated test conditions a single call of *NormDev* took virtually the same amount of computing time as a single call of *RND* when the real procedure *Random* was as above.

(Note: In testing *NormDev* the procedure was speeded up by replacing A by 0.6826894 wherever it occurred and removing it from the parameter list. In testing *NORMAL RANDOM Mean, Sigma*, n were replaced by 0, 1.0 and 10 respectively and removed from the parameter list.)