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ALGORITHM 355

AN ALGORITHM FOR GENERATING ISING CONFIGURATIONS [Z]

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procedure *Ising* (n, x, t, S); **integer** n, x, t ; **integer array** S ;
comment *Ising* generates n -sequences (S_1, \dots, S_n) of zeros and ones where $x = \sum_{i=1}^n S_i$ and $t = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} |S_{i+1} - S_i|$ are given. The main idea is to interleave compositions of x and $n - x$ objects and resort to a lexicographic generation of compositions. We call these sequences Ising configurations since we believe they first appeared in the study of the so-called Ising problem (See Hill [1], Ising [2]). The number $R(n, x, t)$ of distinct configurations with fixed n, x, t is well known [1, 2]:

$$R(n, x, t = 2m + 1) = 2 \binom{x-1}{m} \binom{n-x-1}{m}$$

$$R(n, x, t = 2m) = \binom{x-1}{m} \binom{n-x-1}{m-1} + \binom{x-1}{m-1} \binom{n-x-1}{m}$$

Now define a block of 1's (or zeros) in the sequence as a set of a maximum number of consecutive 1's (or zeros) eventually consisting of a single element. For given n, x, t , the number p of blocks of 1's may easily be deduced from t , as well as the number q of blocks of zeros. In fact, a block of 1's including either S_1 or S_n yields one variation and each one of the others yields two variations; hence we get $p = q = m + 1$ when $t = 2m + 1$ (t odd requires $S_1 \neq S_n$) and either $p = m + 1, q = m$ ($S_1 = S_n = 1$), or $p = m, q = m + 1$ ($S_1 = S_n = 0$) when $t = 2m$. Clearly, there is a 1-1 correspondence between the compositions of x with p parts and the distributions of the x 1's into p blocks. And for each distribution of 1's, distinct distributions of the $n - x$ zeros into q blocks correspond to distinct configurations.

The main body of the algorithm is *compose*, which generates compositions of an integer x with k parts and stores them in the array L . The role of *sort* and *bisort* is to form the final sequence (S_1, \dots, S_n) from the structure of one-blocks L_i and zero-blocks M_i .

The Ising problem was brought to my attention by Dr. B. Dejon during an informal visit to the IBM Research Laboratory in Zurich. Thanks are also due to Prof. Paul Erdős for pointing out to me reference [1] and to Prof. A. A. Zykov for correspondence. The procedure was tested on the NCR 4130 of the Laboratório de Cálculo Automático, Universidade do Porto. Thanks are also due to the Director and his Staff.

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begin

integer k ; **integer array** $L, M[1 : t \div 2 + 1]$;
procedure *sort* (L, M, z); **integer array** L, M ; **integer** z ;
begin

integer r, i, j, m, zb ;

for $m := 1$ **step** 1 **until** n **do** $S[m] := z$;

$r := i := 1$; $zb := 1 - z$;

AA: $j := r + L[i] - 1$;

for $m := r$ **step** 1 **until** j **do** $S[m] := zb$;

if $i + 1 \leq k$ **then**

begin $r := j + M[i] + 1$; $i := i + 1$; **go to** AA **end**;

comment Insert here an output procedure such as *outarray* ($1, S$);

end *sort*;

procedure *bisort* (L, M); **integer array** L, M ;

begin *sort* ($L, M, 0$); *sort* ($M, L, 1$) **end** *bisort*;

procedure *compose* (x, k, L, p); **value** x ; **integer** x, k ;

integer array L ; **procedure** p ;

begin

integer i, a ;

if $x < k$ **then** **go to** CC;

$L[1] := x - k + 1$;

for $i := 2$ **step** 1 **until** k **do** $L[i] := 1$;

p ;

if $k \leq 1$ **then** **go to** CC;

$a := 1$;

BB: **if** $L[a] > 1$ **then**

begin

$L[a] := L[a] - 1$; $L[a+1] := L[a+1] + 1$; p ;

if $a \neq k - 1$ **then** $a := a + 1$; **go to** BB

end;

$L[a] := L[a+1]$; $L[a+1] := 1$; $a := a - 1$;

if $a \geq 1$ **then** **go to** BB;

CC:

end *compose*;

$k := t \div 2 + 1$;

if $t \neq (t \div 2) \times 2$ **then**

begin

procedure $p1$; *bisort* (L, M);

procedure $p2$; *compose* ($n-x, k, M, p1$);

compose ($x, k, L, p2$)

end

else

begin

procedure $p3$; *sort* ($L, M, 0$);

procedure $p4$; *compose* ($n-x, k-1, M, p3$);

procedure $p5$; *sort* ($M, L, 1$);

procedure $p6$; *compose* ($n-x, k, M, p5$);

compose ($x, k, L, p4$);

compose ($x, k-1, L, p6$)

end

end *Ising*

ALGORITHM 356

A PRIME NUMBER GENERATOR USING THE TREESORT PRINCIPLE [A1]

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procedure PRIME(*IP*, *m*); **value** *m*;
integer *m*; **integer array** *IP*;

comment This procedure finds the first $m \geq 4$ elements of the infinite sequence 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, ... of prime numbers and stores them in *IP*[1], *IP*[2], ..., *IP*[*m*]. The method of distinguishing primes from composite numbers is similar to that used by B. A. Chartres [1]. A counter value *n* is compared with the smallest value in a list *IQ* of odd multiples of primes less than or equal to \sqrt{n} . If unequal, *n* is a prime and is added to the output list *IP*. Otherwise, the matching elements of *IQ* are incremented, based on the corresponding entries in the list *JQ*. Both *n* and the composite numbers in *IQ* are incremented so as to omit multiples of 2 and 3.

This procedure differs from Algorithm 311 in the method of finding the smallest entry in *IQ*. Here the list *IQ* is kept partially ordered as a tree, i.e.

$$IQ[i] \geq IQ[i \div 2] \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq j,$$

thus the base element *IQ*[1] is always smallest. The variable *iqi* holds the current value of *IQ*[1], and *jqj* the negative of *JQ*[1]. If $n = iqi$, then *iqi* is incremented by *jqj* + *jqj* if *jqj* > 0 or by -*jqj* if *jqj* < 0. Then *IQ* is reordered to bring the next smallest element to the base and to return the new value of *iqi* to the tree, using a method similar to Williams' procedure *SWOPHEAP* [3]. The tag list *JQ* is permuted along with *IQ*. The treesort principle, used in *SWOPHEAP*, is well suited to the present task of finding the smallest element of a changing list.

In Algorithm 311, five working-storage arrays serve the function of the two used here, and the information is totally ordered each time a prime is found. Between primes the unordered segment of the information is searched to locate the smallest element. The method used here is both simpler and more efficient.

On the Burroughs B5500 computer, this procedure finds the first 10,000 primes in 53 sec. For other values of *m*, time is proportional to $m^{1.24}$. Corresponding times for Algorithm 311 were 91 sec for $m = 10,000$, with time proportional to $m^{1.35}$ for other values of *m*. However, another algorithm [2] finds the first 10,000 primes in 14 sec on the B5500 and has times proportional to $m^{1.14}$ for other values of *m*.

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begin

integer array *IQ*, *JQ*[0 : *sqrt*(*m*)];
integer *i*, *ij*, *inc*, *iqi*, *j*, *jj*, *jqj*, *k*, *n*;
IP[1] := *j* := 2;
IP[2] := *k* := 3;
IP[3] := *n* := 5;
jj := *iqi* := 25; *jqj* := -10;

IQ[2] := 49; *JQ*[2] := -14;

inc := 4;

go to *Lc*;

La: *iqi* := **if** *jqj* > 0 **then** *iqi* + *jqj* + *jqj* **else** *iqi* - *jqj*;
i := 1;

comment Reorder the tree, bringing the smallest element to the bottom;

for *ij* := *i* + *i* **while** *ij* < *j* **do**

begin

if *IQ*[*ij*] > *IQ*[*ij* + 1] **then** *ij* := *ij* + 1;

if *IQ*[*ij*] ≥ *iqi* **then go to** *Lb*;

IQ[*i*] := *IQ*[*ij*]; *JQ*[*i*] := *JQ*[*ij*]; *i* := *ij*

end;

if *iqi* < *jj* **then go to** *Lb*; *jj* := *IQ*[*j*];

comment Add a new entry to the top of the tree;

j := *j* + 1; *ij* := *IP*[*j* + 2];

IQ[*j*] := *ij* ↑ 2; *JQ*[*j*] := *ij* + *ij*;

if (*ij* - (*ij* ÷ 3) × 3) = 1 **then** *JQ*[*j*] := -*JQ*[*j*];

comment Return *iqi* and *jqj* to the tree and fetch a new pair from the bottom;

Lb: *IQ*[*i*] := *iqi*; *iqi* := *IQ*[1];

JQ[*i*] := *jqj*; *jqj* := -*JQ*[1];

if *n* = *iqi* **then go to** *La*;

comment Increment *n* and compare with the next smallest composite number;

Lc: *inc* := 6 - *inc*; *n* := *n* + *inc*;

if *n* = *iqi* **then go to** *La*;

k := *k* + 1; *IP*[*k*] := *n*;

if *k* ≠ *m* **then go to** *Lc*;

end PRIME

ALGORITHM 357

AN EFFICIENT PRIME NUMBER GENERATOR [A1]

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integer procedure NPRIME(*IP*, *m*, *jlim*); **value** *m*, *jlim*;
integer *m*, *jlim*; **integer array** *IP*;

comment This procedure finds the next *m* primes and stores them in *IP*[1], *IP*[2], ..., *IP*[*m*]. *IP*[*m*+1], *IP*[*m*+2], ..., *IP*[*jlim*] are used for working storage, where *jlim* > *m*. On the first entry, *IP*[1] must have a value less than 0 as a flag to set initial conditions. Also, *m* must be greater than or equal to 2 on first entry and greater than or equal to 1 on subsequent entries. The arrays *IQ* and *JQ* must be large enough to hold all primes less than or equal to the square root of the maximum number scanned in looking for primes. To generate the first million primes, approximately 550 entries are needed in each of these two lists. The lists are extended as needed, using a secondary prime number generator similar to Wood's [3], and the current upper index is returned as the value of NPRIME.

The method used is the familiar sieve of Eratosthenes. The elements of the upper portion of array *IP* are set to zero, and correspond to a sequence of consecutive odd integers. The composite numbers are crossed off by entering the smallest prime factor in the corresponding cell, leaving zeros for primes. (At this point, the array *IP* contains the equivalent of a factor table, i.e. the smallest factor for each composite odd integer.)

The list of primes is then constructed by storing the consecutive prime numbers in the lower portion of *IP*. Whenever the information in the upper portion of *IP* is exhausted, a new sequence of odd numbers is scanned as described above. On exit, the unused portion is left for use in the next call.

As compared with another algorithm [2] based on comparing a counter value with the next smallest composite number, and not working ahead in a scratch storage, the present algorithm was found to be faster, even for $jlim = m + 1$. Efficiency improves with added working storage. The improvement is substantial at first but is slight beyond $jlim = 2m$. For $jlim = 2m$, time to find the first n primes on the Burroughs B5500 or the CDC 6400 computer was proportional to $n^{1.14}$. On the B5500 computer, it took 13.5 sec to find the first 10,000 primes, generating them 500 at a time in an array length of 1022. On the CDC 6400 computer, with the algorithm coded in machine language, it took less than 98 sec to find the first million primes, generating them 1000 at a time in an array of length 10,000. Timing within this run, with $jlim = 10m$, was proportional to $n^{1.094}$. It is interesting to note that Chartres estimated a time of 12 hours on the B5500 for this task, using Algorithm 311 [1].

This algorithm can be expressed in either ALGOL or FORTRAN, and gains no special advantage from machine language coding. However, if we plan to produce very large tables of primes for future use, machine language shift operations may be useful in compressing the data for storage. One method of compression is to use a single bit to indicate that an integer is a prime, e.g. 0 = composite and 1 = prime. By omitting multiples of 2, 3, and 5 from the corresponding sequence of integers, 8 bits suffice to identify the primes in each 30 consecutive integers.

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begin

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own integer array IQ, JQ[0 : 600]
own integer ij, ik, inc, j, nj;
integer i, jqi, k, ni;
k := 0; if IP[1] ≥ 0 then go to Lf;
comment Set initial conditions;
IP[1] := JQ[1] := ik := inc := 2;
IQ[2] := 9; JQ[2] := IQ[1] := ij := 3;
IQ[3] := 25; JQ[3] := nj := 5; k := 1;
comment Prepare to delete a sequence of composite numbers;
La: j := k + 1; ni := IQ[1] - j - j;
IQ[1] := jlim + jlim + ni;
for i := j step 1 until jlim do IP[i] := 0;
Lb: i := ij; if IQ[ij] ≥ IQ[1] then go to Le;
comment Extend the list of primes in array JQ counting so
as to omit multiples of 2 and 3;
Lc: nj := nj + inc; inc := 6 - inc;
if JQ[ik + 1] ↑ 2 ≤ nj then ik := ik + 1;
for j := 3 step 1 until ik do
if (nj ÷ JQ[j]) × JQ[j] = nj then go to Lc;
ij := ij + 1; JQ[ij] := nj; IQ[ij] := nj ↑ 2;
go to Lb;
comment If j + j + ni is composite, enter its smallest prime
factor in IP[j]. If j + j + ni is prime, then IP[j] = 0;
Ld: IP[j] := jqi; j := j + jqi;
if j < jlim then go to Ld;
IQ[i] := j + j + ni;
Le: i := i - 1; jqi := JQ[i]; j := (IQ[i] - ni) ÷ 2;
if j < jlim then go to Ld;
if i ≠ 1 then go to Le; j := k;
comment Pack the next m primes in IP[1], ..., IP[m];

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Lf: j := j + 1; if IP[j] ≠ 0 then go to Lf;
if j = jlim then go to La;
k := k + 1; IP[k] := j + j + ni;
if k ≠ m then go to Lf;
comment The current length of the tables in arrays IQ and
JQ is returned;
NPRIME := ij
end NPRIME

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ALGORITHM 358

SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION OF A COMPLEX MATRIX [F1, 4, 5]

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CSVD finds the singular values $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_N$ of the complex M by N matrix ($M \geq N$) which is given in the first N columns of the array A . The computed singular values are stored in the array S . CSVD also finds the first NU columns of an M by M unitary matrix U and the first NV columns of an N by N unitary matrix V such that $\|A - U\Sigma V^*\|$ is negligible relative to $\|A\|$, where $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_i)$. (The only values permitted for NU are 0, N , or M ; those for NV are 0 or N). Moreover, the transformation U^* is applied to the P vectors given in columns $N + 1, N + 2, \dots, N + P$ of the array A . This feature can be used as follows to find the least squares solution of minimal Euclidean length (the pseudoinverse solution) of an overdetermined system $Ax \approx b$: Call CSVD with $NV = N$ and with columns $N + 1, N + 2, \dots, N + P$ of A containing P right-hand sides b . From the computed singular values determine the rank r of Σ and define $\Sigma^+ = \text{diag}(\sigma_1^{-1}, \sigma_2^{-1}, \dots, \sigma_r^{-1}, 0, \dots, 0)$. Now $x = V\Sigma^+b$, where $b = U^*b$ is furnished by CSVD in place of each right-hand side b .

CSVD can also be used to solve a homogeneous system of linear equations. To find an orthonormal basis for all solutions of the system $Ax = 0$ call CSVD with $NV = N$. The desired basis consists of those columns of V which correspond to negligible singular values. Further applications are mentioned in the references.

The constants used in the program for ETA and TOL are machine-dependent. ETA is the relative machine precision, TOL the smallest normalized positive number divided by ETA. The assignments made are valid for a GE635 computer (a two's complement binary machine with a signed 27-bit mantissa and a signed 7-bit exponent). For this machine, $ETA = 2^{-26} \doteq 1.5E-8$ and $TOL = 2^{-129}/2^{-26} \doteq 1.E-31$.

The arrays $B, C,$ and T are dimensioned under the assumption that $N \leq 100$.

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SUBROUTINE C S V D
1 (A, HMAX, NMAX, M, N, P, NU, NV,
2 S, U, V)
COMPLEX A(HMAX,1),U(HMAX,1),V(NMAX,1)
INTEGER M,N,P,NU,NV
REAL S(1)
COMPLEX G,R
REAL B(100),C(100),T(100)
DATA ETA,TOL/1.5E-8,1.E-31/
NP=N+P
NI=N+1
C
C HOUSEHOLDER REDUCTION
C(1)=0.E0
K=1
10 KI=K+1
C
C ELIMINATION OF A(I,K), I=K+1,...,M
Z=0.E0
DO 20 I=K+M
Z=Z+REAL(A(I,K))*2+AIMAG(A(I,K))*2
B(K)=0.E0
IF(Z.LE.TOL)GOTO 70
Z=SQRT(Z)
B(K)=Z
W=CABS(A(K,K))
Q=(1.E0+0.E0)
IF(W.NE.0.E0)Q=A(K,K)/W
A(K,K)=Q+(Z+W)
IF(K.EQ.NP)GOTO 70
DO 50 J=K+NP
Q=(0.E0+0.E0)
DO 30 I=K+M
Q=Q+CONJG(A(I,K))*A(I,J)
Q=Q/(Z+Z+W)
DO 40 I=K+M
A(I,J)=A(I,J)-Q*A(I,K)
50 CONTINUE
C
C PHASE TRANSFORMATION
Q=-CONJG(A(K,K))/CABS(A(K,K))
DO 60 J=K+NP
A(K,J)=Q*A(K,J)
C
C ELIMINATION OF A(K,J), J=K+2,...,N
70 IF(K.EQ.N)GOTO 140
Z=0.E0
DO 80 J=K+1+N
Z=Z+REAL(A(K,J))*2+AIMAG(A(K,J))*2
C(K1)=0.E0
IF(Z.LE.TOL)GOTO 130
Z=SQRT(Z)
C(K1)=Z
W=CABS(A(K,K1))
Q=(1.E0+0.E0)
IF(W.NE.0.E0)Q=A(K,K1)/W
A(K,K1)=Q+(Z+W)
DO 110 I=K+1+M
Q=Q+CONJG(A(K,J))*A(I,J)
Q=Q/(Z+Z+W)
DO 100 J=K+1+N
A(I,J)=A(I,J)-Q*A(K,J)
110 CONTINUE
C
C PHASE TRANSFORMATION
Q=-CONJG(A(K,K1))/CABS(A(K,K1))
DO 120 I=K+1+M
120 A(I,K1)=A(I,K1)*Q
130 K=K1
GOTO 10
C
C TOLERANCE FOR NEGLIGIBLE ELEMENTS
140 EPS=0.E0
DO 150 K=1+N
S(K)=B(K)
T(K)=C(K)
150 EPS=AMAX1(EPS,S(K)+T(K))
EPS=EPS*ETA
C
C INITIALIZATION OF U AND V
IF(NU.EQ.0)GOTO 180
DO 170 J=1+NU
DO 160 I=1+M
160 U(I,J)=(0.E0+0.E0)
170 U(J,J)=(1.E0+0.E0)
180 IF(NV.EQ.0)GOTO 210
DO 200 J=1+NV

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REMARK ON ALGORITHM 304 [S15]
NORMAL CURVE INTEGRAL [I. D. Hill and S. A. Joyce, *Comm. ACM* 10 (June 1967), 374]
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Algorithm 304 may be made faster by using the continued fraction

$$\frac{1}{x} \left(1 + \frac{-1}{x^3 + 3} + \frac{-6}{x^3 + 7} + \frac{-20}{x^2 + 11} + \frac{-42}{x^3 + 15} + \frac{-72}{x^3 + 19} + \dots \right)$$

whose convergents are equal to alternate convergents of the continued fraction

$$\frac{1}{x+} \frac{1}{x+} \frac{2}{x+} \frac{3}{x+} \frac{4}{x+} \frac{5}{x+} \dots$$

used in the original algorithm when x lies in one of the tails. This requires two extra statements in the iteration loop, which, however, will only be performed about half as many times.

The alteration required to implement this improvement is to replace the 19 lines between

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if  $x >$  (if upper then 2.32 else 3.5) then
and
 $q_1 := q_2; q_2 := s;$ 
by
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begin
real  $p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2, a_1, a_2, m;$ 
 $a_1 := 2.0; a_2 := 0.0;$ 
 $n := x^2 + 3.0;$ 
 $p_1 := y; q_1 := x;$ 
 $p_2 := (n - 1.0) \times y; q_2 := n \times x;$ 
 $m := p_1/q_1; t := p_2/q_2;$ 
if  $\neg$  upper then
begin
 $m := 1.0 - m; t := 1.0 - t$ 
end;
for  $n := n + 4.0, n + 4.0$  while  $m \neq t \wedge s \neq t$  do
begin
 $a_1 := a_1 - 8.0; a_2 := a_1 + a_2;$ 
 $s := a_2 \times p_1 + n \times p_2;$ 
 $p_1 := p_2; p_2 := s;$ 
 $s := a_2 \times q_1 + n \times q_2;$ 
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This also incorporates the alterations suggested in [1] below.

Comparison of the two versions using an ICL1903 (37-bit floating-point mantissa), showed that the number of iterations was approximately halved, and that the results differed only to the extent to be expected from rounding error.

The original Algorithm 304 contains in its comment, "The value 2.32 may be changed to 1.28 ... if the full accuracy of the machine is desired." However a test of the two versions taking arguments in the sequence 2.34 step -0.01 showed that the original version ran into overflow at 1.44, and the new version at 1.58, on a machine allowing exponents up to 10^7 .

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REMARK ON ALGORITHM 345 [C6]
AN ALGOL CONVOLUTION PROCEDURE BASED
ON THE FAST FOURIER TRANSFORM [Richard C.
Singleton, *Comm. ACM* 12 (Mar. 1969), 179]

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On page 180, column 2, the 3rd and 2nd lines from the end of procedure CONVOLUTION must be interchanged, i.e. the final four lines should read:

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begin  $C[n-j] := scale \times (C[j] - D[j]);$ 
 $C[j] := scale \times (C[j] + D[j])$ 
end
end CONVOLUTION;
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The procedures included in Algorithm 345 were punched from the printed page and tested on the CDC 6400 ALGOL compiler. After making the one correction the test results agreed with those obtained earlier with this compiler.

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A contribution to the Algorithms department should be in the form of an algorithm, a certification, or a remark. Contributions should be sent in duplicate to the editor, typewritten double-spaced. Authors should carefully follow the style of this department paying especial attention to the indentations and to the completeness of references.

An algorithm must normally be written in the ALGOL 60 Reference Language [*Comm. ACM* 6 (Jan. 1963), 1-17] or in ASA Standard FORTRAN or Basic FORTRAN [*Comm. ACM* 7 (Oct. 1964), 590-625]. Consideration will be given to algorithms written in other languages provided the language has been fully documented in the open literature and provided the author presents convincing arguments that his algorithm is best described in the chosen language and cannot be adequately described in either ALGOL 60 or FORTRAN. For example, an algorithm may be published in PL/I. Until such time as a standard language definition is approved, the language acceptable to any PL/I translator in common use will suffice.

An algorithm written in ALGOL 60 normally consists of a commented procedure declaration. It should be typewritten double-spaced in capital and lowercase letters. Material to appear in boldface type should be underlined in black. Blue underlining may be used to indicate italic type, but this is usually best left to the editor.

An algorithm written in FORTRAN normally consists of a commented subprogram. It should be typewritten double-spaced in the form normally used for FORTRAN, or it should be in the form of a listing of a FORTRAN card together with a copy of the card deck.

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Each algorithm must be accompanied by a complete driver program in its language which generates test data, calls the procedure, and produces 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.

For ALGOL 60 programs, input and output should be achieved by procedure statements, using any of the following eleven procedures (whose body is not specified in ALGOL) [See "Report on Input-Output Procedures for ALGOL 60," *Comm. ACM* 7 (Oct. 1964), 628-630]:

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insymbol  inreal  outarray  ininteger
outsymbol outreal outboolean outinteger
length    inarray  outstring
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If only one channel is used by the program for output, it should be designated by 1, and similarly a single input channel should be designated by 2. Examples:

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outstring (1, 'x='); outreal (1,x);
for i := 1 step 1 until n do outreal (1,A[i]);
ininteger (2, digit [17]);
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For FORTRAN programs, input and output should be achieved as described in the ASA preliminary report on FORTRAN and Basic FORTRAN. For PL/I programs, input and output should be achieved by means of the commonly used input/output statements.

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