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Given  $L1$  pairs of points  $X_i(\text{obs}), Y_i(\text{obs})$  ( $i=1 \dots L1$ ) this program finds the coefficients  $B_i$  of expression:

$$Y_i(\text{calc}) = \sum_{j=1}^L B_j X_i^{j-1}(\text{obs}) \quad \begin{array}{l} L = NA \dots NB \\ j = 1 \dots L1 \end{array} \quad 1$$

which minimizes the sum:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{L1} (Y_i(\text{obs}) - Y_i(\text{calc}))^2$$

The coefficients  $B_i$  are found by solving a linear system of  $L$  equations given in a general form by:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{L1} (Y_i(\text{obs}) * X_i^m(\text{obs})) = \sum_{j=1}^L \left[ B_j * \sum_{i=1}^{L1} X_i^{j+m-1}(\text{obs}) \right] \quad 2$$

$m = 0, 1, \dots, L-1.$

In an expanded form the equations are shown in 3.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{L-1} Y^{(obs)} * X_i^0 (obs) = B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^0 (obs) + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^1 (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{L-1} (obs)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{L-1} Y^{(obs)} * X_i^1 (obs) = B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^1 (obs) + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^2 (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^i (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^L (obs)$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{L-1} Y^{(obs)} * X_i^m (obs) = B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^m (obs) + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{m+1} (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{i+m-1} (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{L+m-1} (obs)$$

...

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{L-1} Y^{(obs)} * X_i^{L-1} (obs) = B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{L-1} (obs) + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{L+m} (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{i+L-2} (obs) + \dots + B * \sum_{i=1}^{L-1} X_i^{2(L-1)} (obs)$$

L, the number of adjustable coefficients  $B_i$ , can vary between two limits, NA and NB (NA can also be equal to NB) which are specified in the input of the program. Thus:

$$L = NA, NA+1, \dots, NB$$

The maximum values for NB and LI are given in table 1.

Table 1

NB	Maximum value for LI	
	Memory size:	
	4K	8K
2	22	64
3	19	61
4	16	58
5	12	54
6	7	49
7	-	44
8	-	38
9	-	31
10	-	24
11	-	15

The program contains a subroutine for the solution of a system of linear equations (Statements nos. 15.0 + 14.0). The system is solved by Gauss-Jordan reduction method. The steps of this method which the program follows very closely are as follows. Given the systems of equations:

$$A_{11} X_1 + A_{12} X_2 + \dots + A_{1i} X_i + \dots + A_{1L} X_L = C_1$$

$$A_{21} X_1 + A_{22} X_2 + \dots + A_{2i} X_i + \dots + A_{2L} X_L = C_2$$

...

$$A_{m1} X_1 + A_{m2} X_2 + \dots + A_{mi} X_i + \dots + A_{mL} X_L = C_m$$

...

$$A_{L1} X_1 + A_{L2} X_2 + \dots + A_{Li} X_i + \dots + A_{LL} X_L = C_L$$

Consider the  $L \times (L+1)$  matrix formed by the coefficients A and terms C:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ 11 & 12 & & 1i & & 1L & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ 21 & 22 & & 2i & & 2L & 2 \end{array}$$

...

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$$\begin{array}{cccccc} A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ m1 & m2 & & mi & & mL & m \end{array}$$

...

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ L1 & L2 & & Li & & LL & L \end{array}$$

- a. Divide the 1st row by  $A_{11}$ . This makes element  $A_{11} = 1$ .
- b. Perform the subtraction: 2nd row - 1st row \*  $A_{21}$ . This operation makes  $A_{21} = 0$ .
- c. Perform the subtraction: jth row - 1st row \*  $A_{j1}$ . This operation makes  $A_{j1} = 0$ .
- d. Repeat c until  $j=L$ .

Now the matrix has the following aspect:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 1 & A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ & 12 & 13 & & 1i & & 1L & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ & 22 & 23 & & 2i & & 2L & 2 \end{array}$$

...

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$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ & m2 & m3 & & mi & & mL & m \end{array}$$

...

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & A & A & \dots & A & \dots & A & C \\ & L2 & L3 & & Li & & LL & L \end{array}$$

It must be pointed out that, though we used the same notation the elements of matrix 6 have different values from those of matrix 5.

e. Operations a - d are repeated starting this time with element  $A_{22}$  and row 2 and leaving 1st row alone. At the end of this series of calculation matrix 6 has become:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc}
 1 & A_{12} & A_{13} & \dots & A_{1i} & \dots & A_{1L} & C_1 \\
 0 & 1 & A_{23} & \dots & A_{2i} & \dots & A_{2L} & C_2 \\
 0 & 0 & A_{33} & \dots & A_{3i} & \dots & A_{3L} & C_3 \\
 \dots & & & & & & & \\
 0 & 0 & A_{m3} & \dots & A_{mi} & \dots & A_{mL} & C_m \\
 \dots & & & & & & & \\
 0 & 0 & A_{L3} & \dots & A_{Li} & \dots & A_{LL} & C_L
 \end{array}$$

The same operations are repeated for each diagonal element and for each row. At the end the matrix of coefficients has become:

$$\begin{array}{cccccc}
 1 & A_{12} & A_{13} & \dots & A_{1i} & \dots & A_{1L} & C_1 \\
 0 & 1 & A_{23} & \dots & A_{2i} & \dots & A_{2L} & C_2 \\
 \dots & & & & & & & \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 1 A_{L-1,L} & C_{L-1} \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 A_{LL} & C_L
 \end{array}$$

Thus, from the last row  $X_L$  can be obtained immediately. This value is substituted in row  $L-1$  and  $X_{L-1}$  obtained, and so on, until all the X's are obtained.

## LOADING THE PROGRAM TAPE AND INPUT/OUTPUT FORMAT.

Assume that the FOCAL-69 tape is already in the computer (no extended functions). If they were present delete them manually by using the patch given in **ADVANCED FOCAL MANUAL**, Digital Equipment Corp., Publ. No. DEC-08-AJBB-DL, p. 4-9. Set SR at 0200. Press STOP, LOAD, START. Enter via keyboard: ERASE ALL and press the key labelled "Return." Enter via tape reader the program tape. Enter via keyboard: Return-GO-Return. Now the program is ready to accept the data in the following order:

NA, NB, LI, and X-Y pairs. (Refer to the above write-up for the meaning of these symbols).

The output consists, first of all, of a table of X-Y values. Then the adjustable coefficients  $B_i$  as they were calculated by the program are typed out. Finally a table of Y (obs), Y(calc) and the difference between them is typed out. The last line of the output contains the value of the mean square deviation calculated from expression:

$$SD = \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{LI} (Y_i(\text{obs}) - Y_i(\text{calc}))^2}{LI - L} \right]^{1/2}$$

Note that this treatment assumes that Y coordinates are subject to error while X coordinates are free of error.

To restart the program with a new series of values enter via the keyboard Return-GO-Return and proceed as before.

## REFERENCES

1. W. Edwards Deming, *Statistical Adjustment of Data*, Dover Publications Inc., New York, N. Y., 1964.



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*01.06 E
*01.07 A NA,NB,L1
*01.09 F J1=1,L1;A X(J1),Y(J1)
*01.10 T T!!"DATA POINTS :",!!," NO. X Y",!
*01.11 F J1=1,L1;T %2,J1," ",%,X(J1)," ",Y(J1),!
*01.15 F L:=NA,NB;D 2
*01.20 Q
*
*02.17 S N2=2*L-1
*02.20 F J1=1,N2;S SX(J1)=0
*02.22 F J1=1,L;S YX(J1)=0
*02.25 F J2=1,N2;F J1=1,L1;S SX(J2)=SX(J2)+X(J1)^(J2-1)
*02.27 F J2=1,L;F J1=1,L1;S YX(J2)=YX(J2)+Y(J1)*(X(J1)^(J2-1))
*02.28 T !!"NO. OF ADJUSTABLE COEFFICIENTS",%2,L
*02.30 F J2=1,L;F J1=1,L;S A(J2+J1*L)=SX(J1+(J2-1))
*02.35 D 15.0
*02.78 F K=1,L; T !"B(",%2,K," ",%,B(K)
*02.80 F J1=1,L1;S YX(J1)=0
*02.82 S SD=0
*02.84 T !!" NO. Y OBS. Y CALC. DIF",!
*02.85 F J1=1,L1;S YX=0;D 8.0
*02.86 S SD=FSQT(SD/(L1-L))
*02.88 T !"MEAN SQUARE DEVIATION",SD;R
*
*08.10 F J2=1,L;S YX=YX+B(J2)*(X(J1)^(J2-1))
*08.15 S D=Y(J1)=YX;S SD=SD+D*D
*08.20 T %2,J1," ",%,Y(J1)," ",YX," ",D,!;R
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*14.05 S N=K+1; S DD=A(N+II*L)/A(II+II*L)
*14.10 F J=II,L; S A(N+J*L)=A(N+J*L)-A(II+J*L)*DD
*14.15 S YX(N)=YX(N)-YX(II)*DD; R
*
*15.05 S MM=L-1
*15.10 F J1=1,MM; F K=II,MM; D 14.0
*15.15 S B(L)=YX(L)/A(L+L*L)
*15.20 F M=2,L;S N=L+1-M;S KK=N+1;S B(N)=YX(N)/A(N+N*L);D 15.25
*15.21 G 15.30
*15.25 F K=KK,L; S B(N)=B(N)-A(N+K*L)*B(K)/A(N+N*L)
*15.30 R
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11 12 15

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24  
25 26 27 28 29 30

DATA POINTS :

	X	Y
= 1	= 0.100000E+01	= 0.200000E+01
= 2	= 0.300000E+01	= 0.400000E+01
= 3	= 0.500000E+01	= 0.600000E+01
= 4	= 0.700000E+01	= 0.800000E+01
= 5	= 0.900000E+01	= 0.100000E+02
= 6	= 0.110000E+02	= 0.120000E+02
= 7	= 0.130000E+02	= 0.140000E+02
= 8	= 0.150000E+02	= 0.160000E+02
= 9	= 0.170000E+02	= 0.180000E+02
= 10	= 0.190000E+02	= 0.200000E+02
= 11	= 0.210000E+02	= 0.220000E+02
= 12	= 0.230000E+02	= 0.240000E+02
= 13	= 0.250000E+02	= 0.260000E+02
= 14	= 0.270000E+02	= 0.280000E+02
= 15	= 0.290000E+02	= 0.300000E+02

NO. OF ADJUSTABLE COEFFICIENTS= 11

B(= 1)	= 0.100091E+01
B(= 2)	= 0.998014E+00
B(= 3)	= 0.920187E-03
B(= 4)	= -0.185082E-03
B(= 5)	= 0.191286E-04
B(= 6)	= -0.871372E-06
B(= 7)	= -0.896964E-08
B(= 8)	= 0.263042E-08
B(= 9)	= -0.102017E-09
B(= 10)	= 0.145919E-11
B(= 11)	= -0.483212E-14

NO.	Y OBS.	Y CALC.	DIF
= 1	= 0.200000E+01	= 0.199968E+01	= 0.321388E-03
= 2	= 0.400000E+01	= 0.399957E+01	= 0.427246E-03
= 3	= 0.600000E+01	= 0.600011E+01	= -0.107765E-03
= 4	= 0.800000E+01	= 0.800047E+01	= -0.471115E-03
= 5	= 0.100000E+02	= 0.100007E+02	= -0.658035E-03
= 6	= 0.120000E+02	= 0.120006E+02	= -0.593186E-03
= 7	= 0.140000E+02	= 0.140001E+02	= -0.114441E-03
= 8	= 0.160000E+02	= 0.159993E+02	= 0.703812E-03
= 9	= 0.180000E+02	= 0.179987E+02	= 0.131989E-02
= 10	= 0.200000E+02	= 0.199990E+02	= 0.984192E-03

= 11	= 0.220000E+02	= 0.220005E+02	= - 0.473023E-03
= 12	= 0.240000E+02	= 0.240019E+02	= - 0.189972E-02
= 13	= 0.260000E+02	= 0.260010E+02	= - 0.988007E-03
= 14	= 0.280000E+02	= 0.279974E+02	= 0.261688E-02
= 15	= 0.300000E+02	= 0.300008E+02	= - 0.839233E-03

MEAN SQUARE DEVIATION= 0.205455E-02

#### ADDENDUM TO DECUS NO. FOCAL8-61

Since the FCCAL exponentiation routine evaluates zero to the power zero as zero instead of one, there will be an error where J2=1 and X(J1)=0. The following patch should correct the problem:

02.23 F J1=1,L1;D 16

16.10 I (X(J1))16.3,16.2,16.3

16.20 S SX(1)=1;S YX(1)=Y(J1)

16.30 R

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