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## Abstract

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## 1 Introduction

**Cubpack++** is a large C++ class library dealing with automatic integration of functions over two-dimensional regions. Here we will discuss its user interface, a small collection of classes that make up a kind of language for describing integration problems. This User Manual is one of two complementary documents in which the package is described: the other is the paper [2] which contains the mathematical background and algorithmic details. Full information also appears in the include files of the source code, which are elaborately commented.

There will probably never be a final version of this User Manual. It should provide answers to all Frequently Asked Questions, so if you encounter any problems when using our software, please let us know.

Our intention is not to present a final solution to the problem of automatic two-dimensional cubature, but to provide a framework on which others may build. We will welcome any attempt to extend the package by adding your own classes or functions.

You are assumed to be familiar with the basics of the language C++, but not to be an expert on it. In fact, most of the time you won't need any C++ feature more advanced than knowing how to print out your results.

Let's start with an example.

## 2 An example

Suppose we would like to integrate  $x^2$  over the triangle with vertices (0,0), (1,1) and (2,0). Using **Cubpack++** we proceed as follows (see file `Examples/vb1.c`):

```
#include <cubpack.h>
#include <iostream.h>

real f(const Point& p)
{ real x=p.X();
  return x*x;
}

main()
{ Point p1(0,0), p2(1,1), p3(2,0);
  TRIANGLE T(p1,p2,p3);
  cout << "The integral is " << Integrate(f,T) << endl;
}
```

As you see, it is quite easy to describe regions and to integrate over them. We now give a more systematic discussion of **Cubpack++**'s class library.

### 3 Basic classes

The following simple classes are built into **Cubpack++**.

**real** All our floating point numbers are instances of this type. We do this instead of using a predefined floating point type like `float` or `double` in order to make it as easy as possible for you to change the precision: by default `real` is a typedef to a `double`, but you can specify single precision (i.e. `float`) simply by making sure that the precompiler variable `FLOAT` is defined during compilation. In the unusual case when your compiler supports another floating point format, you may as a last resort edit the file `real.h`.

**Point** Two-dimensional points are thought of as entities in **Cubpack++** except when it is essential to extract the coordinates, which you do as in the example: the coordinates of the point `P` are `P.X()` and `P.Y()`. Addition and similar operations on `Points` are all defined.

**Function** You will normally wish to integrate a real functions of a `Point`. To save us all the trouble of writing `real (*) (const Point&)` every time we need to refer to such a function, the class `Function` has been defined. A function `real f(const Point& p)` as used in the example is a valid argument to any routine that requires a `Function`.

**Boolean** During many years, C++ users had to define their own `Boolean` type, and there was some controversy as to the best way of defining them. We have opted for the simplest solution: our `Boolean` is an `enum {False, True}`. Recently the ANSI/ISO C++ standards committee added a new feature to the language: a built-in boolean type `'bool'`, with constants `'true'` and `'false'` (this will break code that uses these keywords as variable names). This new feature was implemented in version 2.6.0 of `gcc/g++`. However, because it will take some time before all available compilers implement this new feature, we continue to use our own class.

## 4 Describing simple regions

A *simple region* is roughly defined as a region that can be specified using a small number of parameters, and more precisely as a region that belongs to the list below. Like Points, simple regions can be created using constructors. We have tried as far as possible to use Points as the arguments to the constructors; in some cases involving regions bounded by circular arcs alternatives in terms of radii and angles have also been supplied. A region may have more than one constructor: C++ can recognise by the types of the actual arguments which one you mean.

In the constructor headers below, A, B, C, D, Center, BoundaryPoint and P are Points. When a constructor requires more than one Point, the Points should be distinct, except in the special cases specified below. Radius, InnerRadius, OuterRadius, ScaleX, ScaleY, Alpha and Beta are reals. Height is a Function, and Rho is a standard C function that takes one real argument and returns a real result.

Here is a list of the constructors for simple regions in **Cubpack++**.

```

TRIANGLE( A, B, C);
PARALLELOGRAM( A, B, C);
RECTANGLE( A, B, C);
CIRCLE( Center, BoundaryPoint);
CIRCLE( Center, Radius);
OUT_CIRCLE( Center, BoundaryPoint);
OUT_CIRCLE( Center, Radius);
PLANE;
PLANE( Center);
PLANE( Center, ScaleX, ScaleY);
GENERALIZED_RECTANGLE( Height, A, B);
POLAR_RECTANGLE ( Center, InnerRadius, OuterRadius, Alpha, Beta );
POLAR_RECTANGLE( A, B, D);
GENERALIZED_SECTOR( Rho, Alpha, Beta, Center);
PARABOLIC_SEGMENT( A, B, P);
INFINITE_STRIP( A, B);
SEMI_INFINITE_STRIP( A, B);
PLANE_SECTOR( Center, InnerRadius, Alpha, Beta);
PLANE_SECTOR( A, B, D);

```

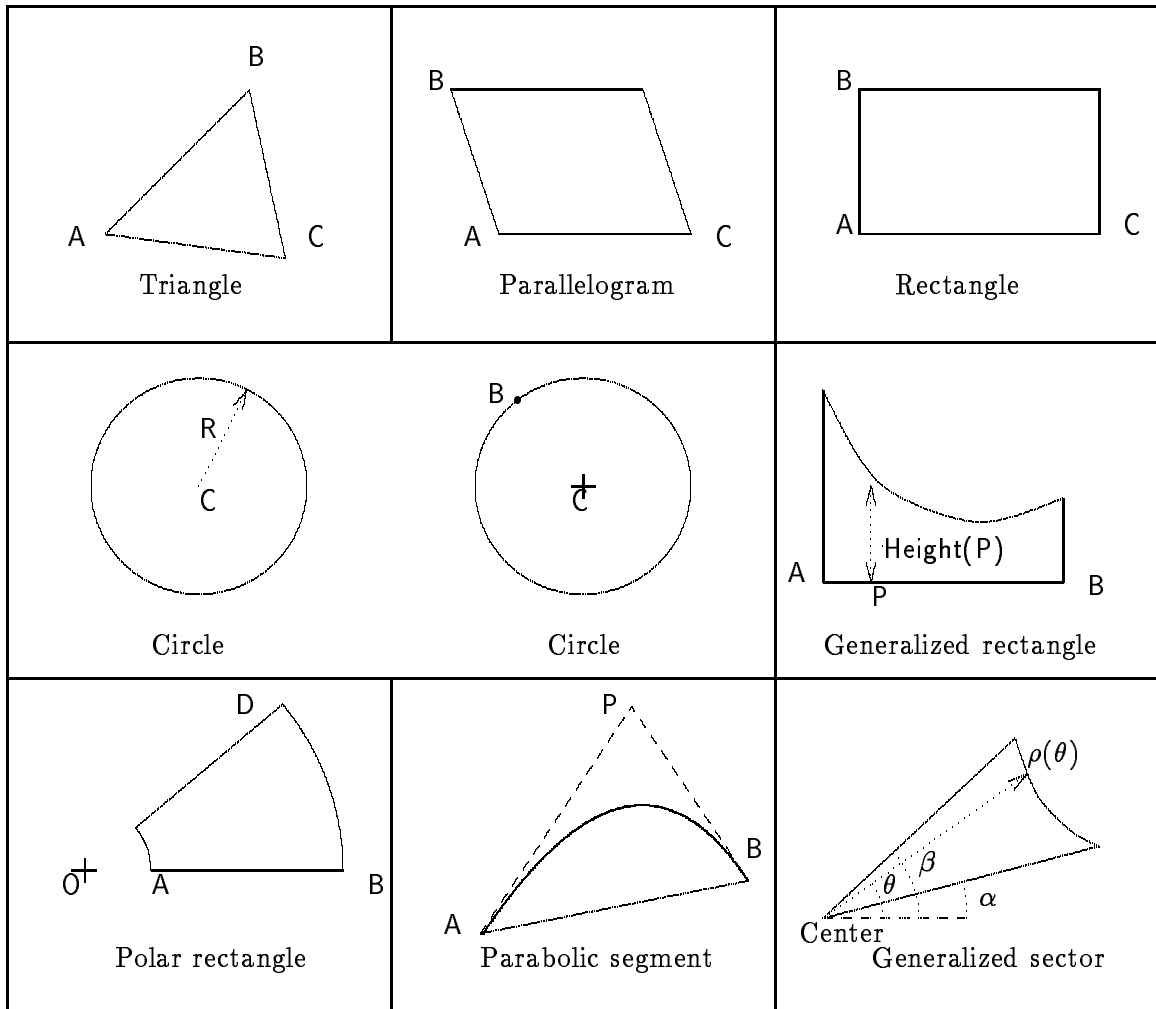
Here are more detailed descriptions of the simple regions. They are shown in Figures 1 and 2. In Figure 1 the region is the internal of the solid line. In Figure 2 the region is that part of the plane marked with X and bounded by the solid lines where lines with an arrow have to be extended to infinity.

**TRIANGLE** A, B and C are the vertices.

**PARALLELOGRAM** A, B and C are vertices such that BC is a diagonal of the parallelogram.

**RECTANGLE** is a special case: if a region is specified as a **RECTANGLE**, the software will check that angle BAC is a right angle.

**CIRCLE** The Center is specified, and either a BoundaryPoint or the Radius. The integration region is the enclosed disk.

Figure 1: Finite regions available in **Cubpack++**.

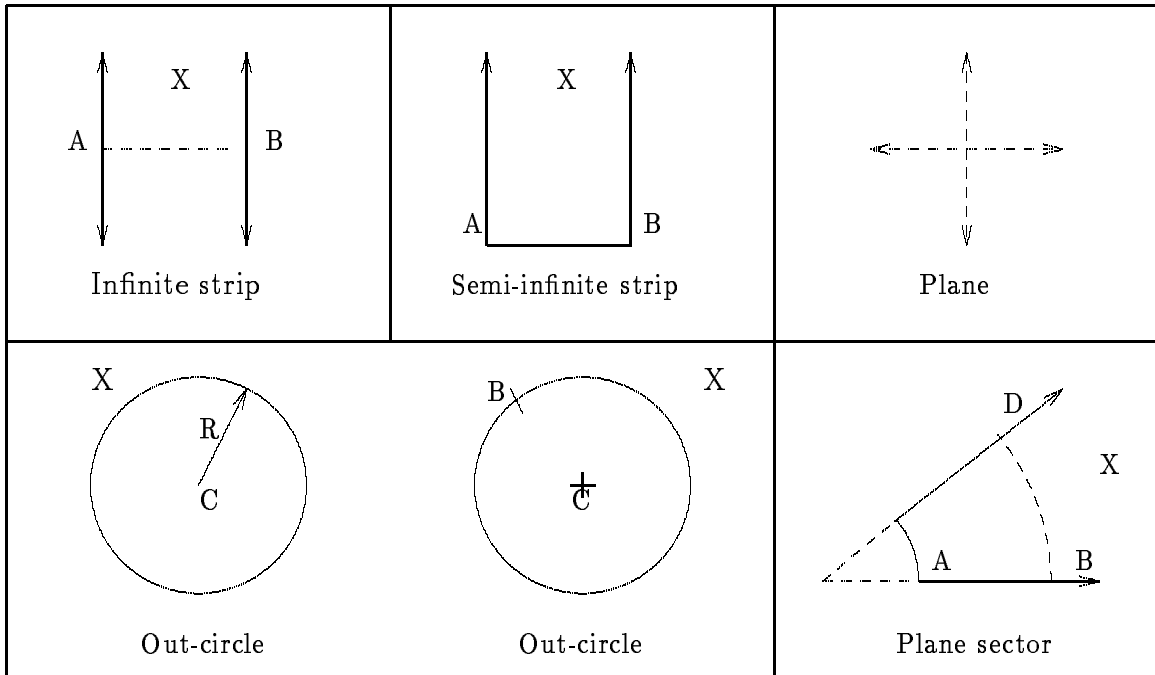


Figure 2: Infinite regions available in **Cubpack++**.

**OUT\_CIRCLE** The same as **CIRCLE**, except that the integration region is the complement of the disk.

**PLANE** The integration region is the whole two-dimensional plane. Strictly speaking, no parameters are necessary, but the integration routines use formulas with approximately half their points inside an ellipse centred at `Center` and having axes `ScaleX` and `ScaleY`. If you know where in the plane the action takes place, you can save some function evaluations by supplying these. Otherwise the value given for the ellipse defaults to the unit circle.

At this point, some users might find it useful to know more details. The cubature formula that is initially applied for this region can be transformed by an affine transformation to give an approximation to

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{(a(x-c_x))^2+(b(y-c_y))^2} f(x, y) dx dy$$

while the cubature formula maintains its degree. We use this with  $a = \text{ScaleX}$ ,  $b = \text{ScaleY}$  and  $c_x = \text{Center.X}$ ,  $c_y = \text{Center.Y}$ . The fact that `Center`, `ScaleX` and `ScaleY` are related to an ellipse with approximately the same number of points inside as outside, is used to determine a subdivision of the plane. For details of this algorithm, see Section 5.4 of the paper [2].

**GENERALIZED\_RECTANGLE** This region has three straight sides that meet at right angles in the points `A` and `B`, and one curved side. The perpendicular distance between a point `P` on the directed line segment `AB` and the point on the curve orthogonally to the left of `P` is `Height(P)`. It is necessary that  $\text{Height}(P) \geq 0$  for all `P` between `A` and `B`.

**POLAR\_RECTANGLE** This region is bounded by the rays  $\theta = \alpha$  and  $\theta = \beta$  (where  $\beta > \alpha$ ) and the arcs  $r = \text{InnerRadius}$  and  $r = \text{OuterRadius}$  (where  $\text{OuterRadius} > \text{InnerRadius}$ ) in polar coordinates with origin *Center*. An annulus ( $\beta = \alpha + 2\pi$ ) is a special case.

Alternatively, you may specify the region in terms of Points: A and B are the points on the ray  $\theta = \alpha$  at *InnerRadius* and *OuterRadius*, respectively, and D is the point on the ray  $\theta = \beta$  at *OuterRadius*. You need not specify *Center*: the other points determine it fully, except when  $AB \perp BD$ . In that case, the region should be specified as a **RECTANGLE** and not as a limiting case of a **POLAR\_RECTANGLE**. You cannot specify an annulus in terms of Points. Special cases are a sector (*Center* = A) and a cut circle (*Center* = A, D = B). From a topological point of view, points on either side of the line AB in a cut circle are not thought of as close to each other. In §10.3 we shall later give an example that illustrates the difference between a circle and a cut circle.

**GENERALIZED\_SECTOR** This region has two straight sides and one curved side. It is described in polar coordinates measured from *Center*. The straight sides run along rays at angles Alpha and Beta respectively, and the curved side is defined by the function Rho as follows: the distance from *Center* to the curve along a ray at an angle  $\theta$  between Alpha and Beta is given by  $\text{Rho}(\theta)$ .

**PARABOLIC\_SEGMENT** This region is bounded by a straight line AB and a parabolic arc. The arc is defined by an external point P such that AP and BP are tangents.

**INFINITE\_STRIP** The line segment AB is a diameter of the strip.

**SEMI-INFINITE\_STRIP** The strip lies orthogonally to the left of the directed line segment AB.

**PLANE\_SECTOR** This region is bounded by the rays  $\theta = \alpha$  and  $\theta = \beta$  (where  $\beta > \alpha$ ) and the arc  $r = \text{InnerRadius}$  in polar coordinates with origin *Center*. Alternatively, you may specify the region in terms of Points: A is the point on the ray at  $\theta = \alpha$  at  $r = \text{InnerRadius}$ , and B and D are points on an arc  $r = \text{OuterRadius}$  (with  $\text{OuterRadius} > \text{InnerRadius}$ ) at  $\theta = \alpha$  and  $\theta = \beta$  respectively. You need not specify *Center*: the other points determine it fully, except when  $AB \perp BD$ . In that case, the region should be specified as a **SEMI-INFINITE\_STRIP** and not as a limiting case of a **PLANE\_SECTOR**. Special cases include the half-plane ( $D = 2A - B$ ) and cut plane (*Center* = A, D = B).

Small example programs that illustrate the use of these simple regions are provided in the directory *Examples*. We refer to the file *Examples/CONTENTS* for its contents.

As you see all names of simple regions contain upper case letters only, the components of compound words being separated by underscores. All classes representing simple regions are derived from a class **COMPOUND\_REGION**, which also comprises the transformed and subdivided regions that arise during the computation.

## 5 The integrators

**Cubpack++** uses only one global adaptive integration algorithm, but to meet differing user requirements we have supplied four versions of the central routine `Integrate`. These will be discussed in this and the following section.

### 5.1 No-fuss integration

When you just want to know the integral of a Function `f` over a `COMPOUND_REGION` `CR`, you can use the function `Integrate(f, CR)` as in the example in Section 2. The value returned will then be an approximation of the integral.

This simple version of the integrator uses default values for the accuracy to which the integral should be evaluated and the amount of work permitted. If you want explicit control over the integration process, you can supply these values: the full header with its default arguments is:

```
real Integrate(
    Function f,
    COMPOUND_REGION& CR,
    real AbsoluteErrorRequest = 0.0,
    real RelativeErrorRequest = DEFAULT_REL_ERR_REQ ,
    unsigned long MaxEval = 100000);
```

The constant `DEFAULT_REL_ERR_REQ` is defined in the file `real.h`. As usual with C++ you may omit any number of trailing arguments for which defaults are given.

The integrator tries to compute an approximation to the integral of `f` on `CR` which satisfies

$$|\text{AbsoluteError}| \leq \text{AbsoluteErrorRequest}$$

or

$$|\text{AbsoluteError}| \leq |\text{Integral}| \times \text{RelativeErrorRequest},$$

whichever it reaches first. The result is returned via `Integral` and `AbsoluteError`. However it will at most do `MaxEval` function evaluations.

### 5.2 Advanced integration

If the automatic integrator cannot satisfy one of the error requests, the flag `Success` will be set to `False`; otherwise it will be set to `True`. The flag `Success` cannot be seen when you use the simple integrator whose only output is a function value. If you wish to see it, or to store the integral and error estimates in variables of your own choice, the header of `Integrate` is:

```
void Integrate(
    Function f,
    COMPOUND_REGION& CR,
    real& Integral,
    real& AbsoluteError,
    Boolean& Success,
    real AbsoluteErrorRequest,
    real RelativeErrorRequest,
    unsigned long MaxEval);
```

Note that this version requires you to specify all the arguments: no default values are given. The three reference parameters are used to return computed quantities.

Two further versions of `Integrate`, intended for more complicated situations, are described in the next section.

For all four versions of `Integrate`, the integral and error estimate are stored with the region `CR` itself, and can be retrieved at any stage after integration by the real functions `CR.Integral()` and `CR.AbsoluteError()` respectively.

## 6 Handling collections of regions

Sometimes you want to integrate over a collection of regions, rather than over one of the simple regions mentioned above. Suppose for instance that you would like to integrate over the house-shaped region shown in Figure 3. In **Cubpack++** you would use a generalization of a `COMPOUND_REGION`, called a `REGION_COLLECTION`. It goes like this:

```
REGION_COLLECTION House;
TRIANGLE Roof( Point(0,1), Point(2,1), Point(1,2));
RECTANGLE Walls( Point(0,0), Point(0,1), Point(2,0));
```

```
House = Roof + Walls;
```

```
cout << "integral over the house-shaped region " << Integrate(f,House);
```

You can add as many `COMPOUND_REGION`s as you like, giving a `REGION_COLLECTION` (which is itself a `COMPOUND_REGION`). The addition can either use the `+` operator as above, or the `+=` operator as in C.

You needn't use `REGION_COLLECTION` explicitly, you can also do it like this:

```
...
cout << Integrate(f, Roof+Walls);
```

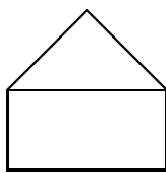


Figure 3: A house

After calling `Integrate` you can access the integral and error on each part of a collection, i.e. you know `Roof.Integral()` as well as `Walls.Integral()` et cetera. This is made possible by the implementation of the addition operators for `COMPOUND_REGION`s. Rather than adding a copy of the original `COMPOUND_REGION` to the `REGION_COLLECTION` a reference to its contents is stored.

You are allowed to integrate different functions over different parts of a `REGION_COLLECTION`, which may for instance be useful when your integrand is discontinuous. In that case, you use a version of `Integrate` that omits the first argument (i.e. the integrand), and instead associate an integrand with each region, like this:

```
Roof.LocalIntegrand(f1);
Walls.LocalIntegrand(f2);
cout << "the result is " << Integrate(Roof+Walls);
```

The full header for this integrator is:

```
real Integrate(
    COMPOUND_REGION& CR,
    real AbsoluteErrorRequest = 0.0,
    real RelativeErrorRequest = DEFAULT_REL_ERR_REQ ,
    unsigned long MaxEval = 100000);
```

A complete example is given in the file `Examples/vb15.c`.

If you forgot to specify the integrand using `LocalIntegrand()` for each region in your `REGION_COLLECTION` before calling `Integrate()`, **Cubpack++** will generate an error message.

Similarly, there exists a version of the more elaborate `Integrate()` without the `Function` argument. The full header is:

```
void Integrate(
    COMPOUND_REGION& CR,
    real& Integral,
    real& AbsoluteError,
    Boolean& Success,
    real AbsoluteErrorRequest,
    real RelativeErrorRequest,
    unsigned long MaxEval);
```

Although the four versions of `Integrate` have the same name, C++ deduces which one is required by its actual arguments.

## 7 A possible pitfall

One feature of the automatic integrator requires further mention. If you e.g. create a triangular region by saying `TRIANGLE T1(A,B,C)`, then the package will construct an object `T1` that contains a data-store to be used to store all regions created when one integrates over the triangle. Apart from this data-store, the object `T1` also contains a number of attributes (the total approximate integral and error estimate, requested absolute and relative tolerances, and a count of the number of functions evaluations) all with respect to the triangle mentioned. After integration, the original region is no longer available, but it will have been replaced by a `COMPOUND_REGION` consisting of all the transformations and subdivisions that the automatic integrator made.

The advantage of this feature is that you can now continue integrating (i.e. without wasting previous computations) if you require higher precision: for example, if the behaviour of your integrand is unfamiliar to you, you will be able to assess the reliability of the computed integrals by printing them out for requested tolerances of  $10^{-2}$ ,  $10^{-3}$ , ... until you are satisfied with the result. Details on how this can be done are given in §8.

We are aware that some users might find this a bit difficult to live with in the beginning. They should remember that **Cubpack++** is a package to compute integrals and not a package to manipulate geometric objects. They should keep in mind that a `TRIANGLE` is much more than just the geometric object. Compared to existing Fortran 77 codes, an object `TRIANGLE` replaces at least 6 parameters in the calling sequence, including a real and an integer workarray Fortran 77 users have to provide.

As a consequence of this side-effect a sequence of code like

```
TRIANGLE T1(A,B,C);
Integrate (f,T1);
Integrate (g,T1);
```

will produce an error (Attempt to modify integrand during integration).

If you need a copy of the original region after integration (for example, when you wish to integrate another function over the same region), you must construct a separate instance. It is not sufficient to say

```
TRIANGLE T1(A,B,C), T2=T1;
```

because class `COMPOUND_REGION` uses reference semantics everywhere. `T2` will not be another triangle with the same specifications as `T1` but another reference to the same triangle. After calling `Integrate(f,T1)` you will find that `T1.Integral()` and `T2.Integral()` return the same value. If either of the two objects is destructed or passes out of scope, you can still reach its contents via the other one.

You must therefore say

```
TRIANGLE T1(A,B,C), T2(A,B,C);
```

to force the creation of two independent copies.

A complete example is given in the file `Examples/vb9.c`.

## 8 Tightening the tolerance

It can happen that you want to compute the integral of a certain function over a certain region several times. E.g. with increasing requested accuracies or with increasing allowed number of function evaluations. **Cubpack++** offers several ways to achieve this.

1. Repeated calls of

```
Integrate(Function f, COMPOUND_REGION& CR, ...);
```

are allowed if *f* and *CR* are not changed by *you* between successive calls. (Remember that *CR* is changed by *Integrate!*)

2. Repeated calls of

```
Integrate(COMPOUND_REGION& CR, ...);
```

are allowed if before the first call (and only then) a

```
CR.LocalIntegrand(f);
```

is executed and if *CR* is not changed by *you*.

3. After a call of

```
Integrate(Function f, COMPOUND_REGION& CR, ...);
```

repeated calls of

```
Integrate(COMPOUND_REGION& CR, ...);
```

are allowed if *CR* is not changed by *you*.

Although we cannot stop you, you should never change the integrand *f* between successive calls by changing global variables that are used by *f*. Remember that after one call of *Integrate* the original region is replaced by a *COMPOUND\_REGION* consisting of all the transformations and subdivisions that the automatic integrator made. **Cubpack++** detects if you call *Integrate* with such a *COMPOUND\_REGION* with a different function than you used the first time but it cannot detect situations where you modify the function between calls. Complete examples are given in the files `Examples/vb14.c` and `Examples/vb17.c`.

## 9 Measuring the performance

If you want to know how much work **Cubpack++** has done to evaluate your integral, you should define a variable (say `Count`) of the class `EvaluationCounter`. This variable can be thought of as a stop-watch: after you have said `Count.Start()`, a counter is incremented whenever a function evaluation has been performed. To read the counter, you call `Count.Read()`, and to stop it, you say `Count.Stop()`. You can reset it to a value  $n$  by `Count.Reset(n)` or to zero by `Count.Reset()`. Remember to start the counter again after resetting it! See the example in §10.1.

On some systems it is also possible to measure CPU or actual elapsed time. We have provided a class `Chrono`, but the functions in that class normally do nothing. You should replace them by your own system-dependent functions. As an example, we did this for UNIX systems that have a `getrusage()` system call or a `times()` system call. On systems with `getrusage()`, the relevant part of the code is activated when the symbol `GETRUSAGE` is defined to the C preprocessor (usually by compiling with the option `-DGETRUSAGE`). On systems with `times()`, the relevant part of the code is activated when the symbol `TIMES` is defined to the C preprocessor. In both cases, the elapsed time is measured in milli-seconds. For details, read the file `chrono.h` and the example in the file `Examples/vb4.c`.

## 10 Examples

The **Cubpack++** package has been run successfully on several C++ compilers (see also §11 and Table 1). The test results below were obtained by Gnu C++ 2.7.2 with `libg++ 2.7.2`. You can download the software by anonymous ftp from `ftp.cs.kuleuven.ac.be` where it is located in the directory `pub/NumAnal-ApplMath/Cubpack` or using a World Wide Web Browser from `HTTP://www.cs.kuleuven.ac.be/~ronald/`.

Example main programs are in the directory `Examples`; see the file `Example/CONTENTS` for its contents. In the following sections we look at some of them in detail.

### 10.1 A plane sector

The function  $f(x, y) = \exp(-(x^2 + y^2)/2)$  is to be integrated over a wedge-shaped region starting at the origin and spanning the polar range  $0 \leq \theta \leq \arctan 2$ :

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^{2x} e^{-(x^2+y^2)/2} dx dy.$$

This is Example 33 from [3].

In this example, we use the advanced integrator in a loop with decreasing required error. We force the use of a relative error criterion by specifying the `AbsoluteErrorRequest` as zero. The exact C++ code is (see file `Examples/vb3.c`):

```

//-----
// Example 33 from ditamo
// Exact value = arctan(2)
// Note that the exact value mentioned in the paper describing ditamo
// is wrong.

#include <cubpack.h>
#include <iostream.h>
#include <iomanip.h>

real f(const Point& p)
{
    real x=p.X() , y=p.Y();
    return exp(0.5*(-x*x -y*y));
}

int main ()
{
    Point origin(0,0);
    real innerradius=0, alfa=0, beta=atan(2.0);
    PLANE_SECTOR wedge(origin,innerradius,alfa,beta);
    EvaluationCounter count;

    cout.setf(ios::scientific,ios::floatfield);
    cout<<"req. rel. error    est integral    est error    abs error    evaluations"
        <<endl;

    count.Start();
    for (real req_err=0.05; req_err>1e-12; req_err/=10)
    {
        cout << setprecision(1) << "    <" << req_err <<"    "
            << setprecision(10) << Integrate(f,wedge,0,req_err) << "    ";
        cout << setprecision(1) << wedge.AbsoluteError() << "    "
            << fabs(wedge.Integral() - atan(2.0)) << "    "
            << count.Read() << endl;
    }
    count.Stop();

    return 0;
}
//-----

```

Note that two statements are used to send output to `cout`. This is done to make sure that the integral has been computed by the time we print it out, because the sequence in which the individual terms are evaluated in an expression containing several `<<` operators, has been left undefined in C++.

The above program produces the following output (g++, Ultrix).

req. rel. error	est integral	est error	abs error	evaluations
<5.0e-02	1.1096504402e+00	3.4e-02	2.5e-03	292
<5.0e-03	1.1071935478e+00	4.1e-03	4.5e-05	1181
<5.0e-04	1.1071470438e+00	5.1e-04	1.7e-06	3105
<5.0e-05	1.1071488562e+00	5.3e-05	1.4e-07	5657
<5.0e-06	1.1071486939e+00	5.3e-06	2.4e-08	11239
<5.0e-07	1.1071487183e+00	5.3e-07	5.5e-10	16377
<5.0e-08	1.1071487178e+00	5.5e-08	1.0e-12	25553
<5.0e-09	1.1071487178e+00	5.5e-09	1.1e-11	38577
<5.0e-10	1.1071487178e+00	5.4e-10	5.2e-13	53081
<5.0e-11	1.1071487178e+00	5.5e-11	2.6e-13	73949
<5.0e-12	1.1071487178e+00	5.5e-12	1.6e-15	117794

## 10.2 When geometry should not rule

A referee asked us to integrate the following “reasonable integrand” over the House-shaped region shown in Figure 3:

$$f(x, y) = \left[ \sqrt{(x - \pi^{0.5})^2 + (y - 1)^2 + 0.00001} + \sqrt[3]{(y - \pi^{0.35})^4 + (x - 1)^2 + 0.00002} \right] \\ \times \sin[(x - y - \pi^{0.5} + \pi^{0.35}) / ((x + y - 2)^2 + 0.01)]$$

If one substitutes  $y = 1$ , one obtains

$$f(x, 1) = \left[ \sqrt{(x - \pi^{0.5})^2 + 0.00001} + \sqrt[3]{(1 - \pi^{0.35})^4 + (x - 1)^2 + 0.00002} \right] \\ \times \sin[(x - 1 - \pi^{0.5} + \pi^{0.35}) / ((x - 1)^2 + 0.01)]$$

and one immediately sees that this function has fast oscillations in the neighbourhood of  $x = 1$ . A picture also reveals a discontinuity in the first derivative in the neighbourhood of  $x = 1.8$ . It is obvious that oscillations occur in the neighbourhood of the line  $x + y - 2 = 0$  because there the denominator of the argument of the sin becomes small.

A straightforward application of **Cubpack++** is given in the following program:

```

//-----
#include <cubpack.h>
#include <iostream.h>

#define sqr(x) ((x)*(x))

static const real sqrt_PI = sqrt(M_PI),
                p35_PI = pow(M_PI,0.35e0);

real f(const Point& p)
{ real x=p.X() , y=p.Y() ;
  return ( sqrt( sqr(x-sqrt_PI) + sqr(y-1) + 0.00001)
          + pow(pow(y-p35_PI,4) + sqr(x-1) + 0.00002,1.0/3.0)
          ) * sin( (x-y-sqrt_PI+p35_PI)/(sqr(x+y-2) + 0.01) );
}

int main ()
{
  EvaluationCounter count;
  //-----
  TRIANGLE Roof( Point(0,1), Point(2,1), Point(1,2));
  RECTANGLE Walls( Point(0,0), Point(0,1), Point(2,0));
  REGION_COLLECTION House = Walls + Roof;

  count.Start();
  cout <<"The integral is " << Integrate(f,House,0,0.5e-1,1000000);
  cout <<" with absolute error " << House.AbsoluteError() << endl;
  count.Stop();
  cout << count.Read() << " function evaluations were used." << endl;
  //-----
  return 0;
}
//-----

```

(This example is in file `Examples/vb13.c.`) A plot of the points where the function was evaluated is shown in Figure 4. The actual output of the above program is:

```

The integral is -0.40791 with absolute error 0.0203924
266548 function evaluations were used.

```

The geometry was here used to specify the region of integration. A logical choice but everyone knows that this is rarely the best one can do in numerical integration. A well known rule-of-thumb is

- *make sure the difficulty in the integrand is located in a vertex or on the edge of the region.*

We can give two additional rules:

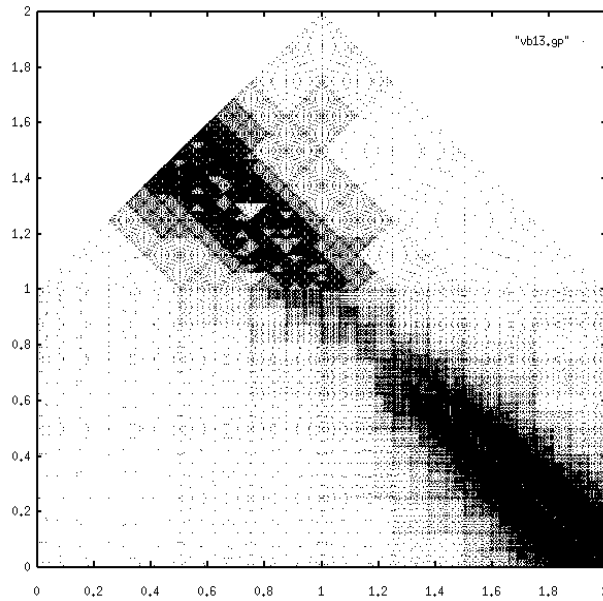


Figure 4: House: geometry-inspired subdivision

- *If the difficulty in the integrand is along a line that cannot be made an edge, make sure the line is parallel to an edge of the region that contains it.*
- *Cover as much as possible by rectangles (or parallelograms).*

The above example violates the second rule and thus one pays. With little extra effort, a significant improvement is obtained. Replace the core of the above routine by

```
//-----
TRIANGLE T1( Point(0,0), Point(1,0), Point(0,1)),
           T2( Point(1,0), Point(2,0), Point(1.5,0.5)),
           T3( Point(2,0), Point(2,1), Point(1.5,0.5));
RECTANGLE R1( Point(1,0), Point(0,1), Point(2,1));
REGION_COLLECTION House = T1 + T2 + T3 + R1;
//-----
```

and the following output is obtained:

The integral is -0.407393 with absolute error 0.0203507  
105968 function evaluations were used.

The contributions of each of the user-defined subregions is given in the following table.

Region	Integral	Absolute Error
R1	-0.283031	0.00816722
T1	-0.221416	1.09496e-06
T2	0.068406	0.0055473
T3	0.0286485	0.00663513

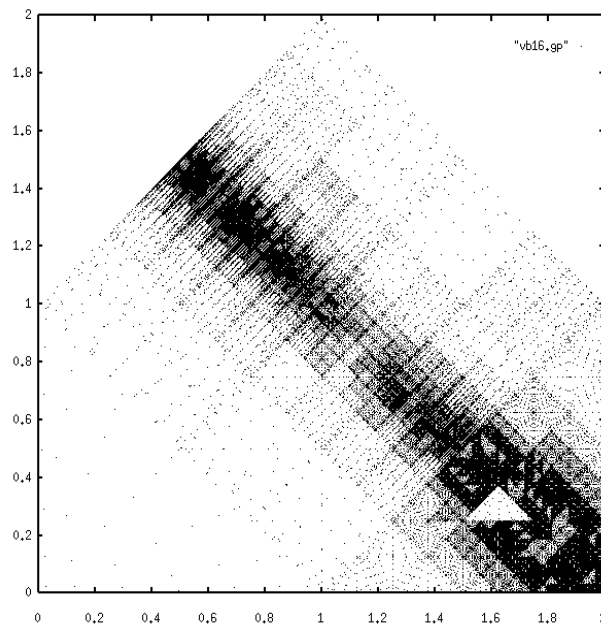


Figure 5: House: integration-inspired subdivision with 1 rectangle

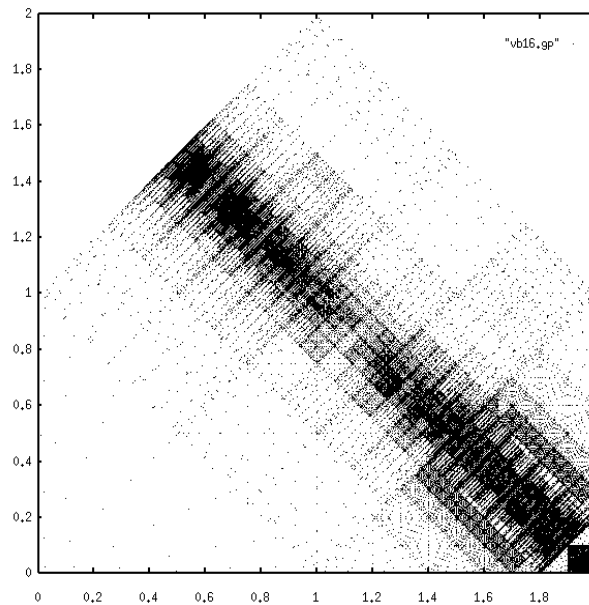


Figure 6: House: integration-inspired subdivision with 2 rectangles

A plot of the points where the function was evaluated is shown in Figure 5. Note that the area of the rectangles Walls and R1 are equal.

If the triangles T2 and T3 are replaced by one rectangle and three triangles, the number of function evaluations is reduced by more than 10%. See Figure 6. For implementation details see the example in file Examples/vb16.c.)

### 10.3 When a circle should be a cut circle

We next give an example illustrating the distinction between a circle and a cut circle. This example also illustrates how Fortran can be called from C++ on some Unix systems.

The Hankel function of the first kind

$$f(x, y) = |H_0^{(1)}(\omega z)|$$

where  $\omega$  is a number on the unit circle, and  $z = x + iy$ , is to be integrated over the unit disk. The integral does of course not depend on the parameter  $\omega$ , but the numerical behaviour of **Cubpack++** is influenced by it.

This function (with  $\omega = 1$ ) is plotted on page 359 of [1]. It has a discontinuity along the ray  $\arg z = -\pi$ . If we ask **Integrate** to integrate it by specifying the region as a **CIRCLE**, it achieves the requested tolerance  $10^{-6}$  after 1441 function evaluations when  $\omega = 1$  and after 6991 function evaluations when  $\omega = (4 + 3i)/5$ . If we specify the region as a cut circle, i.e. a **POLAR\_RECTANGLE** with  $B = C = -\omega$ , **Cubpack++** uses 1887 function evaluations, independent of the choice of  $\omega$ .

For this example, we computed the Hankel function with the aid of the Fortran routine **ZBESH** by D. E. Amos as supplied in the SLATEC library [4]. The C++ code used to call the Fortran function **ZBESH** is

```
extern "C" {void zbash_ (real&, real&, real&, int&, int&, int&,
                      real[], real[], int&, int&);}

real AbsHankel ( const Point& z)
{ real x=z.X(), y=z.Y(), cr[10], ci[10], fnu=0;
  int kode=1, m=1, n=1, nz, ierr;
  zbash_(x,y,fnu,kode,m,n,cr,ci,nz,ierr);
  return sqrt(cr[0]*cr[0]+ci[0]*ci[0]);
}
```

The full C++ code for this example is in the file Examples/vb\_hankel.c.

The difficulty when linking C++ and Fortran is that one must add a platform dependent archive. On a DECstation with Ultrix using f77 and the gnu C++ compiler, the option `-lots` solves this problem. On a SUN Ultra with SunOS 5.5.1 (Solaris) using f90 and SUNs CC compiler, the option `-lf90` is required. Combining f90 and the gnu C++ compiler requires `-L/opt/SUNWspro/SC4.0/lib -lf90`.

## 11 Installation guide

Together with the SPARCompiler C++4.0 comes a document “Migration Guide: C++ 3.0 to C++ 4.0 – Surviving with an Evolving Language”. The second part of the title is very illuminating. The C++ language is evolving and so are the compilers. Old bugs are very regularly replaced by new ones. At the moment the only way to find out whether a code is portable or not, is to try all compilers one can get. And so we did and we will continue to do this. This situation will remain as long as the ANSI-standard is not finalised and as long as the available compilers do not implement this standard.

For some compilers, our code is too complex. If we could work around this, we did. Sometimes, waiting for a new release was worthwhile. A list of compilers that compile the current version of **Cubpack++** successfully is given in Table 1.

Table 1: Systems for which **Cubpack++** has proven it works.

Compiler	Version	Operating System
g++/gcc	2.7.2	Ultrix 4.4 SunOS 5.3 Linux 1.2.4
g++/gcc	2.6.0	HP-UX
xlC		IBM AIX Version 3.2
cxx		DEC OSF/1 V1.3
CC	SPARCompiler C++ 4.0	Solaris 2.3 = SunOS 5.3
Turbo C++	3.00	MSDOS 5.0

The following files are system dependent:

`chrono.c`: For details we refer to §9.

`real.h`: For details we refer to §3.

`templist.h`: Used to define the variable `TEMPLATEINCLUDE` for those compilers that need inclusion of the template implementation.

The steps you have to do to get **Cubpack++** at work for you, are described in the file `INSTALL` in the parent directory.

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