

# Instructions for Using MuPAD Dialogues and Programs

## 1 Introduction

The dialogues and programs in this book have been implemented in the *MuPAD Pro 2.0* computer algebra system.

- Dialogues are in the *MuPAD Notebook* (mnb) format. To access the notebooks, the *MuPAD Pro* system must be installed on your computer.
- MuPAD implementations of the *mathematical pseudo-language* (MPL) procedures are in text (txt) files.

Information about the MuPAD software can be found at MuPAD's web site

<http://www.mupad.com>.

This document contains instructions for using the dialogues and programs. For general instructions on using the MuPAD system, consult the *Tutorial* in the system's *help* → *Open Help* menu.

In the book, dialogues and programs in the database are indicated by the word *Implementation* followed by the names of computer algebra systems. For example, the caption to Figure 2.1 on page 19 contains

Implementation: Maple (mnb), Mathematica (nb), MuPAD (mnb)

which indicates that the dialogue in Figure 2.1 is available for each of these systems. In a similar way, the caption to Figure 2.2 on page 23 contains

Implementation: Maple (txt), Mathematica (txt), MuPAD (txt)

which indicates that the MPL procedure in Figure 2.2 is available in a text (txt) format for each of these systems.

**Important:** MuPAD notebooks will only work in the version *MuPAD Pro 2.0* for *Windows* platforms or subsequent releases of this software. At the time of publication, the notebook interface is not available for other platforms. Procedures in text files will run in earlier versions of MuPAD as long as all the MuPAD operators in the procedure are available and perform as in *MuPAD Pro 2.0*.

## 2 Location of MuPAD Dialogues and Programs

Files for MuPAD dialogues and programs are in the folder

*MathematicalMethods/Programs/MuPAD.*

This folder contains nine folders

*Ch1, Ch2, Ch3, Ch4, Ch5, Ch6, Ch7, Ch8, Ch9*

which contain the dialogues and programs for the nine chapters of the book.

## 3 File Names

The following convention is used for file names.

- Dialogues that are referenced in figures or footnotes use abbreviated names that refer to these objects (e.g., Fig3-3.mnb (page 71), Foot3-1.mnb (page 65)).
- Dialogues that do not correspond to a figure or footnote have a descriptive name (e.g., MuPAD-Functions-definitions.mnb) or the name of a MuPAD operator (e.g., ifactor.mnb for MuPAD's `ifactor` operator that factors an integer (page 27)).
- MuPAD implementations of MPL procedures are in text (txt) files that have the name of the procedure. For example, the MuPAD procedure `Integer_gcd` that corresponds to the MPL procedure in Figure 2.2 on page 23 is in the file *Integer\_gcd.txt*. Some files have more than one procedure. In this case, the file name corresponds to the main procedure.

## 4 Using the Dialogues and Programs

The files can be accessed directly from the CD or from a disk drive by copying the folder *MathematicalMethods* from the CD to the disk drive.

- *Notebooks.* Notebooks can be accessed directly through the MuPAD interface by following the folder path to the notebook. For example, to access the MuPAD notebook that corresponds to Figure 2.1 on page 19 of the book, follow the folder path

*MathematicalMethods*  $\rightarrow$  *Programs*  $\rightarrow$  *MuPAD*  $\rightarrow$  *Ch2*

The notebook is in the file Fig2-1-integer-operators.mnb.

- *Procedures in Text Files.* Procedures in text files can be viewed and modified with a text editor. Text files can be loaded into a MuPAD session with MuPAD's `read` command. For example, to load the file *Integer\_gcd.txt* the command is

```
read ("c:/MathematicalMethods/Programs/MuPAD
      /Ch2/Integer_gcd.txt"):
```

(We have assumed here that the *MathematicalMethods* folder resides on the C drive in a *Windows* environment. For other environments, modify the path as needed.)

**Important:** Some of the procedures require other procedures that are either given in the book (and on the CD) or are described in the exercises. These additional procedures are listed in comments at the beginning of a procedure. For example, in Figure 1 we give the MuPAD implementation of the *Alg-polynomial\_gcd* procedure given on page 154 of the book. The comments at the top of this procedure indicate that two other procedures are required. Notice that the statement

```
requires additional procedures
```

the *Alg\_remainder* procedure. This indicates that this procedure also requires additional procedures and these procedures are listed in the file for that procedure.

Although each procedure can be accessed individually, it is often convenient to load all the procedures at one time. In a MuPAD session, this is done with the command

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```

Alg_polynomial_gcd := proc (u,v,x,p,a)
/*MuPAD implementation of Figure 4.7, page 154.
This procedure requires the procedures

    Alg_remainder (Figure 4.6, page 152, requires other procedures)
    Alg_monic (Exercise 3, page 163)

Input
  u,v : polynomials in  $\mathbb{Q}(\alpha)[x]$ 
  x : a symbol
  alpha : a symbol that represents an algebraic number
  p : a monic, irreducible polynomial in  $\mathbb{Q}[\alpha]$  with degree  $\geq 2$ 
Output
  gcd(u,v)*/
local
  U,V,R;
begin
U := u;
V := v;
while V <> 0 do
  R:= Alg_remainder(U,V,x,p,a);
  U:= V;
  V:= R
end_while;
return(Alg_monic(U,x,p,a));
end_proc:

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**Figure 1.** The MuPAD implementation of the procedure *Alg\_polynomial\_gcd*.

```
read("C:/MathematicalMethods/Programs
      /MuPAD/Procedures.txt"):
```

(We have assumed here that the *MathematicalMethods* folder resides on the C drive in a *Windows* environment. For other environments, modify the path as needed.) By loading this file, you have access to all procedures shown in the book.

**Important:** The source code for procedures that are described in the exercises and used by some procedures is not on the CD. We have done this since we expect these procedures to be provided by the reader. **Keep in mind that some procedures will not run correctly without these additional procedures.**

## 5 Catalog of Dialogues and Programs

A catalog of dialogues and programs can be accessed by loading the file

*Catalog.htm*

in the folder

*MathematicalMethods*

with a web browser. The catalog lists all the dialogues and programs including the page in the book, the file name, a brief description of the contents, and additional procedures required by a procedure. For example, the entry

Figure 1.6(a), MuPAD's primitive structural-operators page 9  
(Fig1-6(a)-Primitive structural-operators.mnb)

describes the MuPAD notebook that corresponds to Figure 1.6(a). In a similar way, the entry

Alg\_polynomial\_gcd, Figure 4.7 page 154 (Alg\_polynomial\_gcd.txt,  
requires the procedures  
Alg\_remainder, Figure 4.5 page 152 (requires additional procedures (see file)),  
Alg\_monic (Exercise 3, page 163))

describes the MuPAD implementation of the procedure in Figure 4.7.

All files listed in the catalog are hyperlinked, and in some environments (such as a *Windows* environment using *Internet Explorer*), clicking on the hyperlink brings up the MuPAD system with the notebook or displays the text file in the browser. To view the text files with a text editor, from the *Internet Explorer* window choose the menu options

*View → Source.*

Some other browsers have similar menu options.

**Important:** In order to view MuPAD notebooks through the catalog, your browser must recognize the notebook file extension (mnb). (This happens automatically in a *Windows* environment when using *Internet Explorer*.) If your browser does not recognize the file extension, it will display the (unintelligible) source code of the notebook. With some browsers (such as Netscape), you can set the browser to recognize the mnb file extension. We have found, however, that the most reliable performance for viewing notebooks from the catalog is obtained with *Internet Explorer*. If you are unable to view the dialogues from the catalog, you can view them using the approach described in Section 4 above.

## 6 E-book Access to Dialogues and Procedures

In some environments, it is possible to access the MuPAD notebooks and text files of procedures directly from the *E-book*. This approach is described on pages 2-3 of *Instructions for the E-book*.

## 7 Programming Style

We use a procedural style of programming that is easily implemented using the mathematical operators and programming structures in the MuPAD programming language. Although the MuPAD system has hundreds of mathematical operators, we use only a small number of them (about 35). A summary of these operators and other elements of the MuPAD language including the correspondence to our mathematical pseudo-language (MPL) is given in the book in Chapter 1. the following figures:

Our programming style and the choice of which mathematical operators to use in programs is motivated by the following goals:

- *To present the algorithms in a programming style that applies to the Maple, Mathematica, and MuPAD languages using a small number of mathematical operators from these languages.* Although, in some cases, it is possible to give a shorter or more efficient program by using a particular operator or structure in the MuPAD language, we have avoided doing this so that we can preserve a common programming style and minimize system dependent issues.
- *To use the MuPAD mathematical operator with the least computational power that performs a mathematical operation.* In many cases, there is more than one operator in the MuPAD language that performs a mathematical transformation, and when this happens we use the one with the least computational power.
- *To use the MuPAD mathematical operators that correspond most closely to the MPL operators in the book.* Since mathematical operators in computer algebra systems are quite involved and may change as new versions of a system are introduced, the correspondence between MPL operators and the MuPAD analogues is not exact. For this reason, the tables in Chapter 1 contain the MuPAD operators that correspond *most closely* to the MPL versions.
- *When there is an option of using either a MuPAD operator or a similar operator that is described by an algorithm in the book, we use the MuPAD operator unless the syntax or semantics of the operator is significantly different from the pseudo-language operator.*

## 8 Book Web Page

For additional information including notebook and program updates, see the web site:

<http://www.cs.du.edu/~jscohen/MathematicalMethods>