

# C and Python

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**Abstract**—This manual shows how to generate data in a file using a C program and importing it in Python.

**Problem 1.** Graphically show that the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x & x < 1 \\ a + \cos^{-1}(x+b) & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases} \quad (1.1)$$

is continuous at  $x = 1$  for  $b = -1, a + b = -\frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**Solution:** The following python code yields Fig. 1 verifying the above result.

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
#Computation
b = -1
x2 = np.linspace(-1,1,100)
x3 = np.linspace(1,2,100)
a = -1 - np.pi/2.0
y = -x2
z = a + np.arccos(b+(x3))

#Plotting
plt.plot(x3,z, label = '$f(x) = a + \cos^{-1}(x+b)$')
plt.plot(x2,y, label = '$f(x) = -x$')

sol = np.zeros((2,1))
sol[0] = 1
sol[1] = -1

#Display solution
A = sol[0]
B = sol[1]

plt.plot(A,B, 'o')
for xy in zip(A,B):
```

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plt.annotate('(%s, %s)' %
            xy, xy=xy, xytext=(30,0)
            , textcoords='offsetpoints')

plt.grid()
plt.legend(loc='best',prop={'size':11})
plt.xlabel('$x$')
plt.ylabel('$f(x)$')
#Comment the following line
plt.savefig('../figs/ee16b1005.eps')
plt.show()
```

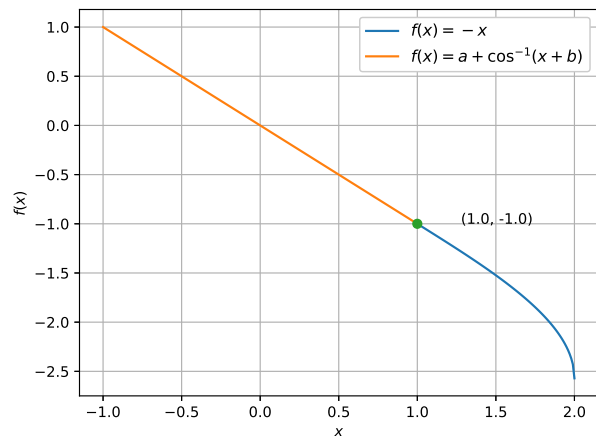


Fig. 1: Substituting the values of  $a$  and  $b$  in  $f(x)$ , the graph is smooth at  $x = 1$ . So  $f(x)$  is continuous as well as differentiable  $x = 1$ .

**Problem 2.** Write a C program to generate an arithmetic progression with first term  $a = -1$ , last term  $l = 1$  and number of terms  $n = 100$  and print the numbers on the screen.

**Solution:**

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```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    float a = -1.0, l = 1.0, d;
    int n = 100, i;

    //Common difference
    d = (l-a)/(n-1);

    for(i = 0; i < 100; i++)
    {
        printf("%f\n", a+i*d);
    }

    return 0;
}
```

**Problem 3.** Repeat the above exercise by printing the numbers in a file called test.dat

**Solution:**

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp;
    float a = -1.0, l = 1.0, d;
    int n = 100, i;

    //Common difference
    d = (l-a)/(n-1);

    //Open file for writing
    fp = fopen("test.dat", "w");

    for(i = 0; i < 100; i++)
    {
        fprintf(fp, "%f\n", a+i*d);
    }
    fclose(fp);
    return 0;
}
```

**Problem 4.** Now run the following program. Comment.

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
#Computation
b = -1
x2 = np.loadtxt('test.dat', dtype='float')
#x2 = np.linspace(-1,1,100)
x3 = np.linspace(1,2,100)
a = -1 - np.pi/2.0
y = -x2
z = a + np.arccos(b+(x3))

#Plotting
plt.plot(x3,z, label = '$f(x) = a - x$')
plt.plot(x2,y, label = '$f(x) = a + \cos^{-1}(x+b)$')

sol = np.zeros((2,1))
sol[0] = 1
sol[1] = -1

#Display solution
A = sol[0]
B = sol[1]

plt.plot(A,B, 'o')
for xy in zip(A,B):
    plt.annotate('%s, %s' %
                xy, xy=xy, xytext=(30,0),
                textcoords='offsetpoints')

plt.grid()
plt.legend(loc='best', prop={'size':11})
plt.xlabel('$x$')
plt.ylabel('$f(x)$')
plt.show()
```

**Problem 5.** Do all the computations in problem 1 in C and verify your results by plotting in python.