

**1. MoonPhase.** These functions have been stolen from the Perl module `Astro::MoonPhase`. See that module's documentation for full authors and references. Code originally derived from `moontool.c` by John Walker. This transcription of the Perl sources into C was performed by Bret Whissel, 11 March 2013.

```
<Includes 2>
<Functions 6>
```

**2.**  $\langle \text{Includes } 2 \rangle \equiv$

```
#include <math.h>
#include <time.h>
```

This code is used in section 1.

**3.** Astronomical constants.

```
#define Epoch ((double) 2444238.5) /* 1980 January 0.0 */
```

**4.** Constants defining the Sun's apparent orbit.

```
#define Elonge ((double) 278.833540) /* ecliptic longitude of the Sun at epoch 1980.0 */
#define Elongp ((double) 282.596403) /* ecliptic longitude of the Sun at perigee */
#define Eccent ((double) 0.016718) /* eccentricity of Earth's orbit */
```

**5.** Elements of the Moon's orbit, epoch 1980.0.

```
#define Mmlong ((double) 64.975464) /* moon's mean longitude at the epoch */
#define Mmlongp ((double) 349.383063) /* mean longitude of the perigee at the epoch */
#define Mlnode ((double) 151.950429) /* mean longitude of the node at the epoch */
#define Synmonth ((double) 29.53058868) /* synodic month (new Moon to new Moon) */
```

**6.** Handy mathematical definitions.

```
#define Pi ((double) 3.14159265358979323846) /* assume not near black hole nor in Tennessee */
#define torad(x) ((x) * (Pi/180.0))
#define todeg(x) ((x) * (180.0/Pi))
#define INV360 ((double) 1.0/(double) 360.0)

<Functions 6> ≡
static double fixangle(double x)
{
    return x - 360.0 * floor(x * INV360);
}
```

See also sections 7, 8, and 9.

This code is used in section 1.

**7.**  $jtime$ : convert internal date and time to astronomical Julian time (i.e. Julian date plus day fraction). Calculates  $(\text{seconds}/(\text{seconds per day})) + \text{julian date of UNIX epoch}$ .

$\langle \text{Functions } 6 \rangle + \equiv$

```
static double jtime(time_t *t)
{
    double julian;
    julian ← ((double) *t/(double) 86400.0) + 2440587.5;
    return julian;
}
```

8. *kepler*: solve the equation of Kepler.

```
<Functions 6> +≡
double kepler(double m, double ecc)
{
    double e, delta, epsilon ← 1 · 10-6;
    m ← torad(m);
    e ← m;
    do {
        delta ← e - ecc * sin(e) - m;
        e -= delta/(1 - ecc * cos(e));
    } while (fabs(delta) > epsilon);
    return e;
}
```

9. *moonphase*: Calculate phase of moon. The argument *thetime* is the UNIX time for which to calculate. Returns *pphase*, the illuminated fraction of the Moon's disc; *mage*, the Moon's age in days; *mpfrac*, the terminator phase angle as a percentage of a full circle (i.e., 0 to 1).

```
<Functions 6> +≡
void moonphase(time_t *thetime, double *pphase, double *mage, double *mpfrac)
{
    double pdate, Day, N, M, Ec, Lambdasun;
    double ml, MM, Ev, Ae, A3, MmP, mEc, A4, lP, V, lPP;
    double MoonAge, MoonPhase;
    pdate ← jtime(thetime);
    <Calculation of the Sun's position 10>
    <Calculation of the Moon's position 11>
    MoonAge ← lPP - Lambdasun; /* Age of the Moon in degrees. */
    MoonPhase ← (1.0 - cos(torad(MoonAge)))/2.0; /* Phase of the Moon. */
    *pphase ← MoonPhase; /* illuminated fraction */
    *mage ← Synmonth * (fixangle(MoonAge)/360.0); /* age of moon in days */
    *mpfrac ← fixangle(MoonAge)/360.0;
}
```

10. <Calculation of the Sun's position 10> ≡

```
Day ← pdate - Epoch; /* date within epoch */
N ← fixangle((360.0/365.2422) * Day); /* mean anomaly of the Sun */
M ← fixangle(N + Elonge - Elongp); /* convert from perigee co-ordinates to epoch 1980.0 */
Ec ← kepler(M, Eccent); /* solve equation of Kepler */
Ec ← sqrt((1.0 + Eccent)/(1.0 - Eccent)) * tan(Ec/2.0);
Ec ← 2.0 * todeg(atan(Ec)); /* true anomaly */
Lambdasun ← fixangle(Ec + Elongp); /* Sun's geocentric ecliptic longitude */
```

This code is used in section 9.

**11.**  $\langle$  Calculation of the Moon's position 11  $\rangle \equiv$ 

```

ml ← fixangle(13.1763966 * Day + Mmlong); /* Moon's mean longitude. */
MM ← fixangle(ml - 0.1114041 * Day - Mmlongp); /* Moon's mean anomaly. */
Ev ← 1.2739 * sin(torad(2.0 * (ml - Lambdasun) - MM)); /* Evection. */
Ae ← 0.1858 * sin(torad(M)); /* Annual equation. */
A3 ← 0.37 * sin(torad(M)); /* Correction term. */
MmP ← MM + Ev - Ae - A3; /* Corrected anomaly. */
mEc ← 6.2886 * sin(torad(MmP)); /* Correction for the equation of the centre. */
A4 ← 0.214 * sin(torad(2.0 * MmP)); /* Another correction term. */
lP ← ml + Ev + mEc - Ae + A4; /* Corrected longitude. */
V ← 0.6583 * sin(torad(2.0 * (lP - Lambdasun))); /* Variation. */
lPP ← lP + V; /* True longitude. */

```

This code is used in section 9.

**12.** Create a header file for external linking.

```

⟨moonphase.h 12⟩ ≡
void moonphase(time_t *, double *, double *, double *);

```

**13.** Create a small test program.

```
<mptest.c 13> ≡
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <time.h>
#include "moonphase.h"

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
    struct tm theday;
    time_t now ← time(0);
    double phase, age, frac;
    char *oldtz;
    int i;

    oldtz ← getenv("TZ");
    setenv("TZ", "", 1);
    tzset();
    theday.tm_year ← 2013 - 1900;
    theday.tm_mon ← 0;
    theday.tm_mday ← 1;
    theday.tm_hour ← 0;
    theday.tm_min ← 0;
    theday.tm_sec ← 0;
    now ← mktime(&theday);
    for (i ← 0; i ≤ 3 * 30 * 24; i++) { /* Generate 3 months (avg) of data, hourly */
        moonphase(&now, &phase, &age, &frac);
        localtime_r(&now, &theday);
        printf("%02d/%02d/%4d %02d:%02d:%02d %f %f %f\n",
               theday.tm_mon + 1, theday.tm_mday, theday.tm_year + 1900, theday.tm_hour, phase, age, frac);
        now += 3600;
    }
    if (oldtz) setenv("TZ", oldtz, 1);
    else unsetenv("TZ");
    tzset();
}
```

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