Subject: Re: Numerical Recipes diffs?

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Ka Chun Yu (kachun@bogart.Colorado.EDU) wrote:

- : Does anyone know what IDL did between IDL3 and IDL4 as far as
- : the numerical recipes subroutines go? I've been testing a fitting
- : program that uses the LUDCMP and LUBKSB routines form \_Numerical
- : Recipes , and I've been using IDL's canned routines. The canned
- : routines got name changes during the switch from IDL3 to IDL4,
- : from "nr\_ludcmp" and "nr\_lubksb" to "ludc" and "lusol". That's
- : not all though--somehow the code got changed around so that I
- : get different results depending on which version of IDL I use
- : even if the input is exactly the same!
- : I don't think IDL provides the source for these routines in their
- : libraries; they leave them as executables. So does anyone know
- : what IDL did between versions, or should I just forget about this
- : and rewrite everything from scratch (which would be really annoying)?

Check the link 'What was New in IDL version 4.0' / Mathematics Improvements' of the IDL Online Help (idlhelp, or ? from the IDL command prompt). Probably the most important sentence:

"Note that the old routine names still work, but are undocumented."

Hope this helps,

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