

# Calculation of the Sun Position

This document is a technical note on the sun position calculation, which is applied in EA weather data navigation program EA DataNavi 8, and graphic tools, SolMap and SkyMap, provided in EA Graphic Tools 2022. Calculation method of the sun position (solar altitude and azimuth) is quite general one but the calculation parameters for it, the solar declination and the equation of time are calculated by “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” that will be explained in detail in this document.

Before the explanation of “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)”, although it is a little bit verbose for well educated users, we describe the calculation method of the sun position at first.

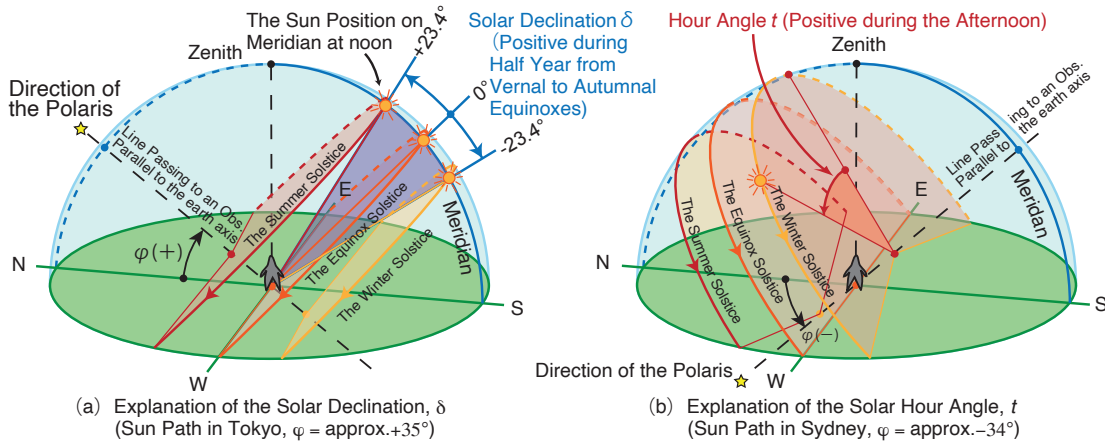
## 1 Calculation of the Sun Position

In astronomical use, the sun position is enough to be described with two angle parameters: the solar declination  $\delta$  [°] and the hour angle  $t$  [°]. The hour angle can be calculated by the following equation but to find  $E_t$  [°] in the equation “the equation of time” is important. Calculation of  $\delta$  and  $E_t$  is main theme in this document. However, we start the explanation on time difference  $\Delta T$ , which is the difference between astronomical (theoretical system) time and our citizen time in the next Chapter 3.

$$t = 15(T_m - 12) + (L - L_0) + E_t \quad (1)$$

where,  $T_m$ : Destination time in ZST [h],  $L_0$ : Reference longitude for the ZST [°],  
 $L$ : Destination longitude [°],  $E_t$ : Destination equation of time [°].

East longitude must be considered as positive in  $L_0$  and  $L$ . For instance, in Japan, ZST(=JST) location is at east longitude of 135° (Akashi City) then  $L_0 = 135$ .



**Fig. 1 Explanation of the Solar Declination  $\delta$  and Hour Angle  $t$   
 (The Four Seasons Are Based on the Northern Hemisphere)**

In building environmental engineering field, the sun position is usually assigned with two angles for the destined location's latitude  $\varphi$  [°]: the solar altitude  $h$  [°] and the solar azimuth  $A$  [°]. The relationship among  $\delta$ ,  $t$ ,  $h$ , and  $A$  is expressed in the next equation, following the spherical trigonometry formulae (See [11], [12]).

$$\sin h = \sin \varphi \sin \delta + \cos \varphi \cos \delta \cos t \quad (2)$$

$$\sin A = \frac{\cos \delta \sin t}{\cos h} \quad (3)$$

$$\cos A = \frac{\sin h \sin \varphi - \sin \delta}{\cos h \cos \varphi} \quad (4)$$

When  $\sin h > 0$ , then it is day time but when  $\sin h < 0$ , then it is night time. Of course,  $\sin h = 0$  means the sunrise or sunset. The solar azimuth  $A$  has positive value when the sun located in west hemisphere, that has origin at the south direction<sup>\*1</sup>. Thus  $A$  has a range:  $-180^\circ \leq A \leq 180^\circ$ . The sign of  $A$  is determined by referring  $t$ . When  $t > 0$ , then  $A > 0$  and when  $t < 0$ , then  $A < 0$ .

$$\text{Namely, when } \sin A > 0 \ (t > 0); \quad A = 90 - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} \right) \quad (5)$$

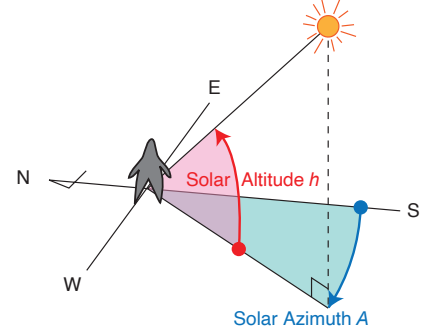
$$\text{when } \sin A < 0 \ (t < 0); \quad A = -90 - \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\sin A}{\cos A} \right) \quad (6)$$

Now, we start the explanation of calculation procedure by “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” [1], [2]. Main theme is to determine two parameters: the solar declination  $\delta$  and the equation of time  $E_t$ <sup>\*2</sup>

## 2 Calculation of Time Difference $\Delta T$ and Julian Century $T$

### 2.1 Reason for Developing “Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)”<sup>\*3</sup>

Matsumoto developed a calculation method of the solar declination  $\delta$  [°] and the equation of time  $E_t$  [°] ( $T_e$  [min.]) on the basis of the method of Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department in Japan Coast Guard [3]–[6]. The method is named “Matsumoto method” here. The



**Fig. 2 Definition of Solar Altitude  $h$  and Solar Azimuth  $A$**

<sup>\*1</sup> International rule is different: the origin is north direction  $0^\circ$  and clockwise direction (east side) is positive. If you need to convert  $A$  to the international one  $A'$ , then use the following equation.

$$A' = 180 - A \quad (0 \leq A \leq 180), \quad A' = -180 - A \quad (-180 \leq A \leq 0)$$

<sup>\*2</sup> In Appedix, two famous methods: Yamazaki method [12], [13] and Akasaka method [14]–[17] are mentioned with program source codes.

<sup>\*3</sup> This subsection can be omitted if you just want to understand how-to-use of “Matusmoto method (Rev. 2022)”.

“Matsumoto method” adopted the new time system TT [h] and TCG [h] that was replaced to TD defined in IAU till year 2000. The time system is one of common basis of astronomical science. “Matsumoto method” was implemented in previous EA weather data navigation program (–EA DataNavi 7) to calculate the sun position data.

In 2022, facing to publish plan of new EA weather data DVDs, Matsumoto decide to revise and renewal the method due to the following reasons and/or circumstances. The revised method explained latter is named “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” here.

- (a) There are some theories on expression of the planetary position or orbit. However, VSOP 87 (Variations Séculaires des Orbites Planétaires, 1987) [20] may be the most popular one, that is very complicated and long calculation method using functions each having over 400 cosine terms with a parameter of Julian century  $T$ . Although it may be difficult to apply the formulae, due to the open and free-source code of VSOP 87, that method is accepted worldwide as a de facto standard calculation method. We understand now the situation of studies in astronomical science so.
- (b) NREL (National Renewable Energy Laboratory, US DOE) developed a method named “NREL method” here [21]. This method is famous in American and European nations for building environmental engineering practices and studies. It may become popular method due to the EPW data, we think so. The EPW (EnergyPlus™ Weather) data includes the solar altitude and the solar azimuth data calculated by NREL method. Additionally, open and free source code of NREL method is a reason for its popularity. NREL method is applied a simplified formulae of VSOP 87 proposed by Meeus, a famous Belgian astronomic scientist [22]. We have a doubt for this method because of lack of information on the time difference  $\Delta T$  that is an important parameter for precise calculation. It may cause a wrong usage with bonehead input data by users.
- (c) The reference studies by Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department of Japan Coast Guard [19], [23] for “Matsumoto method” must be one of simplified calculation method based on VSOP 87. The method by Japan Coast Guard released every year must be simplified one to fit for small time span with closely estimated value of  $\Delta T$ .
- (d) The reasons and/or circumstances mentioned as items (a)–(c) support Matsumoto’s research activities [6] on updating  $\Delta T$  with validation with recent reliable data to be proper, although the studied opportunities were affected to release schedules of the EA weather data navigation programs (EA DataNavi 6 and 7).
- (e) In spring of 2022, new EA weather data DVDs were released and new operation program (EA DataNavi 8) was provided. The one of hottest features in this release turn is that a future standard weather data of 2086 (FRY2086.wea2), based on estimated 20 years from 2076 to 2095 is released. This gives great impact for calculation program code of the sun position, because we never check the long future data of the sun position. Thus, this is a good opportunity to refine or renewal the implemented method.
- (f) In “Matsumoto method”, there is a dissatisfied point by the developer Matsumoto himself: the time difference between UT1 and UTC is ignored, on the other hand, the time difference between TT and TCG is considered inconsistently. Now, for consideration of time differences, it is clear from the literature by Meeus [22]: He says that old time system

ET, previous time system TD, and present time system TT are considerable to be fundamentally same and one constant time system practically. Thus, “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” is not strict to tune up the time system.

- (g) A good issue on estimation of the time difference  $\Delta T$  for long time is published by NASA based on the research by Espenak and Meeus [24]. It covers till year 2150 and suitable to implement in the procedure of “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)”.

Explanation in the next section is mainly related on items (f) and (g) mentioned above.

Now on item (f), we use UT without discrimination between UT1 and UTC.

## 2.2 Definition of Time Difference $\Delta T$

The time difference term  $\Delta T$  is defined as the value difference between the one of three astronomical times (TT, TD, or ET) and our citizen time, universal Time UT, expressed in second. Here TT is a abbreviation of Terrestrial Time; TD for Dynamical Time, and ET for Ephemeris Time<sup>\*4</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta T &= 3,600^s \times (TT - UT) \\ &= 3,600^s \times (TD - UT) = 3,600 \times (ET - UT)\end{aligned}\tag{7}$$

$\Delta T$  is a time depended continuous function but its fluctuation during a whole year is not so wide. Thus “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” adopts one value for each year, that is a datum at 0<sup>h</sup>UT on July 1.

## 2.3 Calculation Formulae of $\Delta T$ (Renewal)

As mentioned as itemized sentences (e)–(g) in Section refse2:2.1, by referring NASA’s report [24], we use the following equations to estimate  $\Delta T$ . We assume that YYYY is a target year to calculate. YYYY can be chosen for years from 1600 and 2150<sup>\*5</sup>.

At first, we calculate time parameter  $y$  (positive real value) by using Eq. (8). In the equation decimal value 0.5 means July 1.0.

$$y = \text{YYYY} + 0.5\tag{8}$$

Usually,  $y$  should be changed to an elapsed year from a specified era  $t$ . Then we calculate  $\Delta T$  by using the polynomial formula in Eq. (9).

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta T &= a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + \cdots + a_n t^n \\ &= a_0 + t(a_1 + t(a_2 + \cdots t(a_{n-1} + t a_n) \cdots))\end{aligned}\tag{9}$$

<sup>\*4</sup> In Matsumoto’s research works [3]–[6], symbol  $\Delta T_1$  is used. This is the same as  $\Delta T$  here.

By the way, ET was used before 1984; TD was used during 1984–1990; and TT is used since 1991 in the astronomical science field.

And we know the relationship between UT and the Japan Standard Time JST:  $UT = JST - 9^h$ .

<sup>\*5</sup> Correctly writing, in the report [24], equations for years from -1999 to 3000 are proposed. However, we adopted a practical range of years for engineering purpose.

The equation for  $t$  and data of coefficients  $a_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) in Eq. (9) are given by one case of following 11 cases separated by year ranges<sup>\*6</sup>.

- year: 1600–1700:  $t = y - 1600$ ,  $n = 3$

$$a_0 = 120 \quad a_1 = -0.9808 \quad a_2 = -0.01532 \quad a_3 = 1/7,129$$

- year: 1701–1800:  $t = y - 1700$ ,  $n = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 8.83 & a_1 &= 0.1603 & a_2 &= -0.0059285 & a_3 &= 0.00013336 \\ a_4 &= -1/1,174,000 \end{aligned}$$

- year: 1801–1860:  $t = y - 1800$ ,  $n = 7$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 13.72 & a_1 &= -0.332447 & a_2 &= 0.0068612 \\ a_3 &= 0.0041116 & a_4 &= -0.00037436 & a_5 &= 0.0000121272 \\ a_6 &= -0.0000001699 & a_7 &= 0.00000000875 \end{aligned}$$

- year: 1861–1900:  $t = y - 1860$ ,  $n = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 7.62 & a_1 &= 0.5737 & a_2 &= -0.251754 & a_3 &= 0.01680668 \\ a_4 &= -0.0004473624 & a_5 &= 1/233174 \end{aligned}$$

- year: 1901–1920:  $t = y - 1900$ ,  $n = 4$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= -2.79 & a_1 &= 1.494119 & a_2 &= -0.0598939 & a_3 &= 0.0061966 \\ a_4 &= -0.0001973624 \end{aligned}$$

- year: 1921–1940:  $t = y - 1920$ ,  $n = 3$

$$a_0 = 21.20 \quad a_1 = 0.84493 \quad a_2 = -0.076100 \quad a_3 = 0.0020936$$

- year: 1941–1960:  $t = y - 1950$ ,  $n = 3$

$$a_0 = 29.07 \quad a_1 = 0.407 \quad a_2 = -1/233 \quad a_3 = 1/2,547$$

- year: 1961–1985:  $t = y - 1975$ ,  $n = 3$

$$a_0 = 45.45 \quad a_1 = 1.067 \quad a_2 = -1/260 \quad a_3 = -1/718$$

- year: 1986–2005:  $t = y - 2000$ ,  $n = 5$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= 63.86 & a_1 &= 0.3345 & a_2 &= -0.060374 & a_3 &= 0.0017275 \\ a_4 &= 0.000651814 & a_5 &= 0.00002373599 \end{aligned}$$

- year: 2006–2050:  $t = y - 2000$ ,  $n = 2$

$$a_0 = 62.92 \quad a_1 = 0.32217 \quad a_2 = 0.005589$$

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<sup>\*6</sup> In the second line equation of Eq. (9), the Müller's polynomial expression is displayed. This is a good technique to avoid information loss caused by bad source code.

We assume that  $dT$  must be calculated with the third decimal place, *i.e.* order of 1 ms.

- year: 2051–2150:  $t = y - 1820$ ,  $n = 2$

$$a_0 = -205.724 \quad a_1 = 0.5628 \quad a_2 = 0.0032$$

Long term fluctuation of  $dT$  is shown in Fig. 3 and Fig. 4. In these figure, we put two marks obtained from table data of almanac citect:AA2020: • means observed (and corrected) value; ○ means extrapolated value. These referred values are shown for every years' January 1.0. Thus just for drawing these figures, we use  $t = \text{int}(t)$ . In addition, Matsumoto's previous poposed values of  $\Delta T$  are shown in a dashed line for 220 years from 1800 to 2020.

As shown in Fig. 3, we find that there is a big difference between observed data and calculated data before 1640. However, the observed data themselves may be not so precise because lack of measurement instrument and techniques. Thus the difference must be accepted from viewpoint of practical and engineering purposes. In the other figure (Fig. 4), we should note that the time difference  $\Delta T$  will grow to about 180s (3 min.) in 2090!

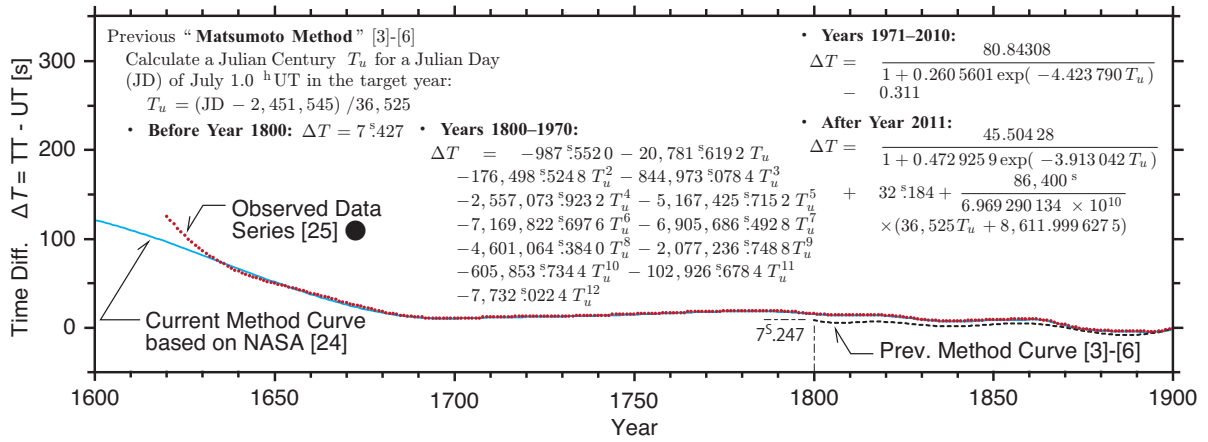


Fig. 3 Fluctuation of Renewal Time Difference  $\Delta T$  (1/2) (1600–1900)

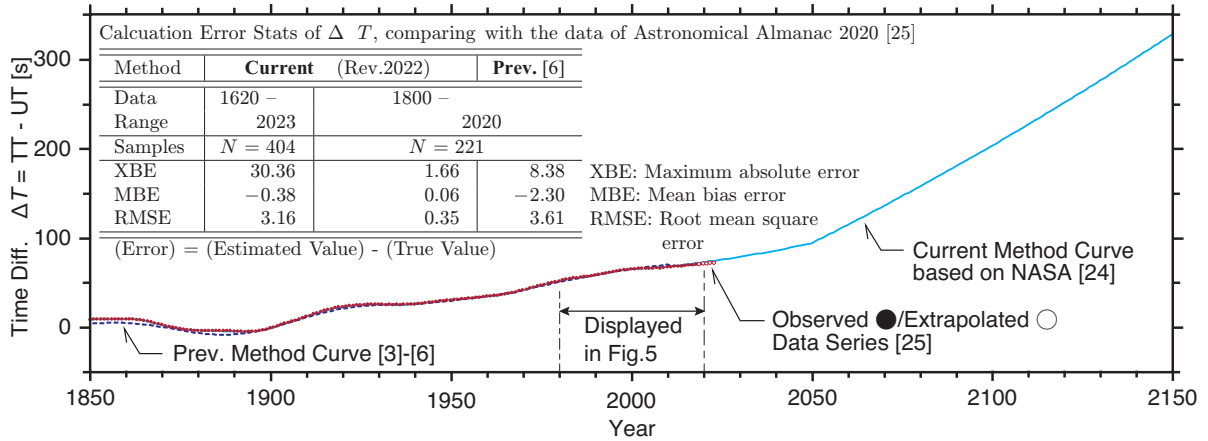


Fig. 4 Fluctuation of Renewal Time Difference  $\Delta T$  (2/2) (1850–2150)

## 2.4 Error Evaluation of Time Difference $\Delta T$

In blank space of Fig. 4, the error evaluation results are tabulated. It seems that “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” has more improved precision than previous “Matsumoto method”.

Fig. 5 shows the focused image for 40 years from 1981 to 2020, that are included as EADyyyy.We2 datafiles. It is found that the “Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)” is also improved for these 40 years.

Now we get one conclusion that new adoption of calculation method of  $\Delta T$  based on NASA report [24] is suitable for EA weather data operation.

By the way, on difference of Matsumoto’s methods,  $\Delta T$  values calculated by previous method are different from the values by renewal method. It is true but when the sunn position data are calculated, in the solar altitude and azimuth data, the difference is less than  $0.1^\circ$ , that is output precision in EA DataNavi 7 and EA DataNavi 8.

You may wonder that the previous estimation curve in Fig. 5 has strange step. The reason was discussed in previous paper [6].

## 2.5 Calculation of Julian Century $T$

We define symbol  $\overline{JD}$  to Julian day in integer for given year, moth, day. And define JD to Julian day including hours in real. At  $0^h$ UT of a given date,  $JD = \overline{JD} - 0.5$  because noon is the origin of the day in the astronomical science. Thus when we want to know JD at  $H^h$ JST, Julian day at that time is:  $JD = \overline{JD} + (H - 9^h)/24 - 0.5$ .

However, we use the another Julian day, called “Julian Ephemeris Day” JDE for calculation. The time difference  $\Delta T$  is taken into account for JD to get JDE.

Now, we use  $\Delta T$  [s] obtained by Eq. (9) in the next equation.

$$\begin{aligned} JDE &= JD + \Delta T/3,600 \\ &= \overline{JD} + (H - 9^h)/24 - 0.5 + \Delta T/3,600 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

And we convert this JDE to “Julian century”  $T$  to use as calculation parameter for many equations explained latter.

$$T = (JDE - 2451545.0)/36525 \quad (11)$$

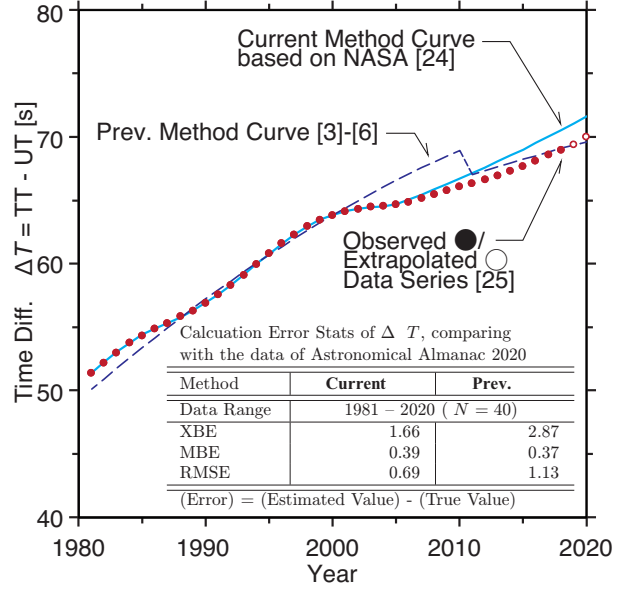


Fig. 5 Observed Values and Estimation Curve of Time Difference  $\Delta T$  (1981–2020)

By the way, there are many information in social media on a matter how to calculate Julian day  $\overline{\text{JD}}$ , especially with Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Excel. If you need, refer them. And this document has an appendix on the calculation of  $\overline{\text{JD}}$  in Appendix B.

### 3 Calculation Procedure of the Solar Declination $\delta$ and the Equation of Time $E_t$

Now we assume the calculation at the specified location on the specified date and time: Latitude  $\varphi$  [°], Longitude  $L$  [°], Date YYYY/MM/DD, Time hh:mm:ss JST. Calculation of the solar altitude and azimuth,  $h$  and  $A$  [°] is exercised.

By the way, in following description in this chapter, arguments for trigonometric functions are defined in degree unit. The same manner is also applied to inverse trigonometric functions.

At first, JST time hh:mm:ss should be expressed in [h] unit and convert to UT [h]. Of course, negative value of UT is acceptable.

$$\text{UT} = \text{hh} + \text{mm}/60 + \text{ss}/3,600 - 9.0000000 \quad (12)$$

#### 3.1 Each Step of the Calculation

##### Step 1: Calculation of the Time Difference $\Delta T$

We calculate  $\Delta T$  with the third decimal order. We should access correct year range in Section 2.3 to calculate with Eq. (8) and Eq. (9). As mentioned already, we assume  $\Delta T$  value is representative for the year YYYY.

##### Step 2: Calculation of Julian Century $T$ and $T_u$

We calculate Julian day  $\overline{\text{JD}}$  for year YYYY, month MM, and day DD<sup>\*7</sup>, then calculate  $T$  by Eq. (10) and Eq. (11).

Subsequently, we calculate JD:  $\text{JD} = \overline{\text{JD}} + \text{UT}/24 - 0.5$ . Then  $T_u$  must be calculated by Eq. (13) for preparation for latter procedure.

$$T_u = (\text{JD} - 2\,451\,545.0) / 36\,525 \quad (13)$$

##### Step 3: Calculation of the Right Ascension $\alpha_M$ for Mean Sun

Using  $T_u$ , calculated in the previous **Step: 2**, we calculate the mean right ascension  $\alpha_M$  by Eq. (14) and Eq. (15).

$$\alpha_m = \left( 18^{\text{h}}41^{\text{m}}50^{\text{s}}.548\,41 + 8,640,184^{\text{s}}.812\,866\,T_u + 0^{\text{s}}.093\,104\,T_u^2 - 0^{\text{s}}.000\,006\,2\,T_u^3 \right) \bmod 24 \quad (14)$$

$$\alpha_M = 15\,\alpha_m \quad (15)$$

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<sup>\*7</sup> If the time is 0<sup>h</sup>UT, you know that JDE must have decimal of 0.5. When destination date YYYY/MM/DD is after 1900/01/01, consider that date has serial day number 1, calculate the serial day number of the destination date and add 2415019.5. That is classical calculation algorithm of JDE.

Eq. (14) is the standard equation of IAU with [h] unit. Eq. (15) is simply unit conversion to degree.

#### Step 4: Calculation of the Zodiac Tilt Angle $\varepsilon$

We calculate  $ve[^\circ]$  by Eq. (16) with time parameter  $T$ . Coefficients  $V_i$  ( $i = 0, \dots, 3$ ) are summarized in Table 1.

$$\varepsilon = \left( V_0 + \sum_{i=1}^3 V_i T^i \right) / 3,600S + \sum_{j=1}^2 X_j \cos(Y_j T + Z_j) \quad (16)$$

Cosine function's argument may calculate in degree unit in Eq. (16). The argument may be calculated as modulo of  $360^\circ$ .

**Table 1 Coefficients for Calculation of the Zodiac Tilt Angle  $\varepsilon$**

$i$	$V_i ['']$	$j$	$X_j [^\circ]$	$Y_j [^\circ]$	$Z_j [^\circ]$
0	-84,381.448	-			
1	+46.815	1	-0.002 56	1,934	235
2	+0.000 590	2	-0.000 15	72,002	201
3	-0.001 813	-			

#### Step 5: Calculation of the Apparent Ecliptic Longitude $\Psi$

Using coefficient  $P_i, Q_i, R_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, 18$ ) listed in Table 2, we calculate  $\Psi[^\circ]$  by Eq. (17). Parameter of the functions is  $T$ .

$$\Psi = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{17} P_i \cos(Q_i T + R_i) + P_{18} T \cos(Q_{18} T + R_{18}) + 36,000.769 5 T + 280.460 2 \right] \bmod 360 \quad (17)$$

**Table 2 Calculation Coefficients for  $\Psi$  and  $T_e$**

$i$	$P_i [^\circ]$	$Q_i [^\circ]$	$R_i [^\circ]$	$i$	$P_i [^\circ]$	$Q_i [^\circ]$	$R_i [^\circ]$
1	+1.914 7	35,999.05	267.52	10	+0.000 7	9,038	64
2	+0.020 0	71,998.1	265.1	11	+0.000 6	33,718	316
3	+0.020 0	32,964	158	12	+0.000 5	155	118
4	+0.001 8	19	159	13	+0.000 5	2,281	221
5	+0.001 8	445,267	208	14	+0.000 4	29,930	48
6	+0.001 5	45,038	254	15	+0.000 4	31,557	161
7	+0.001 3	22,519	352	16	+0.004 8	1,934	145
8	+0.000 7	65,929	45	17	-0.000 4	72,002	111
9	+0.000 7	3,035	110	18	-0.004 8	35,999	268

By the way, mathematical expression of coefficients are correct as shown here but operation order summation in computer may be changed the adding order. In order to avoid information loss, addition should be done from small value to large value order.

### Step 6: Calculation of the Solar Declination $\delta$ and the Equation of Time $E_t$

Now, we assemble the calculated mean right ascension  $\alpha_M$ , the zodiac tilt angle  $\varepsilon$ , and the apparent ecliptic longitude  $\Psi$ . And tune by coefficients  $P_i, Q_i, R_i$  ( $i = 16, 17$ ) in Table 2. The calculation is expressed as follows:

$$\delta = \arctan \left( \frac{\sin \Psi \sin \varepsilon}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \Psi \sin^2 \varepsilon}} \right) \quad (18)$$

$$E_t = \left[ \sum_{i=16}^{17} P_i \cos(Q_i T + R_i) - 0.0057 \right] \cos \varepsilon + \arctan \left( \frac{\tan \alpha_M - \tan \Psi \cos \varepsilon}{1 + \tan \alpha_M \tan \Psi \cos \varepsilon} \right) \quad (19)$$

$$T_e = \frac{1}{15} E_t \quad (20)$$

The equation of time  $E_t$  is calculated by using Eq. (19) in degree unit. And as you can see term of 1/15 in Eq. (20), the another equation of time  $T_e$  is calculated in hour. The expression of these two equations is based on orinal work by Matsumoto.

### 3.2 Final Step: Calculation of the Solar Altitude $h$ and the Azimuth $A$

As usual procedure which is learned from general text book for building environmental engineering, using the spherical trigonometry formulae with hour angle  $t$  [°] calculated from obtained equation of time  $E_t$  or  $T_e$  and calculated solar declination  $\delta$ , we can calculate from Eq. (1)–Eq. (6)<sup>\*8</sup>.

### 3.3 Another Calculation — Geocentric Distance

The “geocentric distance”,  $r$ , in this subsection means the true distance in AU unit from the Earth to the Sun. This parameter is important when you should set up the extra-atmospheric normal beam solar irradiance,  $I_0$  [W/m<sup>2</sup>] based on the solar constant  $\overline{I_0} = 1367$  [W/m<sup>2</sup>]<sup>\*9</sup>

$$I_0 = \overline{I_0} / r^2 \quad (21)$$

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<sup>\*8</sup> The followings are just tiny technical chips.

To improve the accuracy of calculated solar azimuth, you may try the another equation:

$$\sin A = \cos \delta \sin t / \cos h$$

Using  $\tan A$  is also good idea. And as you know,  $\delta$  and  $E_t$  do not fluctuate hour by hour and to use daily values for them is also acceptable. However, as mentioned latter with a calculation example, from viewpoint to keep high accuracy, hourly calculation for  $\delta$  and  $E_t$  is recommended.

<sup>\*9</sup> It may be calculated day by day practically.

The geocentric distance  $r$  can be calculated as a function of the Julian century  $T$  as shown in the equation below [19]:

$$r = \sum_{i=1}^8 S_i \cos(U_i T + W_i) + S_9 T \cos(U_9 T + W_9) \quad (22)$$

The coefficients  $S_i$ ,  $U_i$ , and  $W_i$  have data described in the table below.

**Table 3 Calculation Coefficients for  $r$**

$i$	$S_i$ [-]	$U_i$ [°]	$W_i$ [°]
1	1.000 140	0.0	0.0
2	0.016 706	35,999.05	177.53
3	0.000 139	71,998	175
4	0.000 031	445,267	298
5	0.000 016	32,964	68
6	0.000 016	45,038	164
7	0.000 005	22,519	233
8	0.000 005	33,718	226
9	-0.000 042	35,999	178

Program source codes (FORTRAN, C/C++) for Eq. (22) and the calculated example are described in Appendix D.

## 4 Examples

### 4.1 Simple Example

We calculate the solar declination  $\delta$  [°], the equation of time  $T_e$  [s], and solar altitude  $h$  [°] and azimuth  $A$  [°] for Tokyo (Latitude  $\varphi = +35^\circ 41' 06''$ , Longitude  $L = 139^\circ 45' 36''$ ) at the time 15<sup>h</sup>JST (6<sup>h</sup>UT) on July 24, 2020.

The calculated results are summarized in Table 4. In the table, there are two lines with 0<sup>h</sup>UT and 6<sup>h</sup>UT. These difference is the timing difference to calculate  $\delta$  and  $T_e$ .

### 4.2 Example for Programming Test Bed

At first, find the time difference  $\Delta T$  for year 2020.

Then calculate the solar declination  $\delta$  (Sol.Decl.) [°] and the equation of time  $E_t$  (Eq.Time) [°] hour by hour for following three days: March 30, 2020 (90th day), June 28, 2020 (180th day), and Sept. 26, 2020 (270th day).

**Table 4 Calculation Example for Tokyo at 15 O'clock (JST) on July 24, 2020**Latitude  $\varphi = +35^\circ 41' 06''$ , Longitude  $L = +139^\circ 45' 36''$ 

Method	$\delta [^\circ]$	$T_e [s]$	$h [^\circ]$	$A [^\circ]$
Rika Nenpyo 0 <sup>h</sup> UT	19.808 9	-392.1	45.053 0	82.593 0
Rika Nenpyo 6 <sup>h</sup> UT*	19.755 9	-392.4	45.026 6	82.528 0
Matsumoto (Rev. 2022) 0 <sup>h</sup> UT	19.808 7	-392.0	45.052 7	82.592 9
Matsumoto (Rev. 2022) 6 <sup>h</sup> UT	19.755 6	-392.3	45.026 1	82.528 0
Akasaka method	19.807 8	-392.0	45.052 0	82.592 1

\* interpolated by quadratic function, Rika Nenpyo [18], Akasaka method [14]

In addition, assuming two locations: Tokyo ( $\varphi = 35.692, L = 139.750$ ) and Kagoshima ( $\varphi = 31.555, L = 130.541$ ), calculate the hour angle  $t$  (**Hr.Angle**), solar altitude  $h$  (**Altitude**), and solar azimuth  $A$  (**Azimuth**) for each location.

The similar calculation will be done for the different time: March 31, 2086 (90th day), June 29, 2086 (180th day), and Sept. 27, 2086 (270th day).

Calculated  $\Delta T$  are as follows:

- July 10<sup>h</sup>UT, 2020       $\Delta T = 71.873 [s]$
- July 10<sup>h</sup>UT, 2086       $\Delta T = 171.532 [s]$

The other calculated items are displayed in  $[^\circ]$  unit. The solar declination (**Sol.Decl.**) and the equation of time (**Eq.Time**) are expressed in five decimal places (rounded). The others are expressed in four decimal places (rounded).

Table 5 and Table 6 are the listed results, which may be useful for a programmer to check his/her own codes.

Table 5 Calculated Exaple for Three Days in 2020 for Tokyo and Kagoshima

Matsumoto Rev. Method (2022) ... Year:2020 Delta T: 71.873 sec. [All Units: deg. of angle]

		Tokyo					Kagoshima		
		Latitude, Longitude:		35.692 139.750			31.555 130.547		
YYYY/MM/DD	HHh:	Sol.Decl.	Eq.Time	Hr.Angle	Altitude	Azimuth	Hr.Angle	Altitude	Azimuth
2020/03/30	01h:	3.73383	-1.14699	-161.3870	-46.8974	-152.2178	-170.6003	-53.5941	-164.0620
2020/03/30	02h:	3.75002	-1.14387	-146.3839	-39.5538	-134.2338	-155.5972	-47.7419	-142.1890
2020/03/30	03h:	3.76621	-1.14075	-131.3807	-29.8322	-120.3355	-140.5941	-38.5080	-125.9543
2020/03/30	04h:	3.78240	-1.13763	-116.3776	-18.7596	-109.2503	-125.5910	-27.4089	-113.9322
2020/03/30	05h:	3.79859	-1.13451	-101.3745	-6.9610	-99.7793	-110.5878	-15.3266	-104.4138
2020/03/30	06h:	3.81477	-1.13139	-86.3714	5.1694	-90.9897	-95.5847	-2.7471	-96.1789
2020/03/30	07h:	3.83095	-1.12827	-71.3683	17.3310	-82.0712	-80.5816	10.0262	-88.3408
2020/03/30	08h:	3.84713	-1.12515	-56.3652	29.2106	-72.1270	-65.5785	22.7451	-80.0910
2020/03/30	09h:	3.86331	-1.12203	-41.3620	40.3564	-59.9061	-50.5754	35.1130	-70.4176
2020/03/30	10h:	3.87949	-1.11891	-26.3589	49.9593	-43.5166	-35.5722	46.6299	-57.6918
2020/03/30	11h:	3.89566	-1.11580	-11.3558	56.5250	-20.8643	-20.5691	56.2556	-39.1256
2020/03/30	12h:	3.91183	-1.11268	3.6473	58.0487	6.8880	-5.5660	61.8658	-11.8421
2020/03/30	13h:	3.92800	-1.10956	18.6504	53.8753	32.7631	9.4371	60.9834	19.7085
2020/03/30	14h:	3.94417	-1.10645	33.6536	45.6130	52.2191	24.4402	54.0900	44.7293
2020/03/30	15h:	3.96033	-1.10333	48.6567	35.1378	66.3298	39.4433	43.8393	61.4867
2020/03/30	16h:	3.97650	-1.10022	63.6598	23.5766	77.2757	54.4464	32.0450	73.2373
2020/03/30	17h:	3.99266	-1.09710	78.6629	11.5311	86.6159	69.4496	19.5628	82.4429
2020/03/30	18h:	4.00882	-1.09399	93.6660	-0.6318	95.3935	84.4527	6.8204	90.5256
2020/03/30	19h:	4.02497	-1.09088	108.6691	-12.6158	104.4358	99.4558	-5.9072	98.4156
2020/03/30	20h:	4.04113	-1.08776	123.6722	-24.0861	114.5876	114.4589	-18.3646	106.9184
2020/03/30	21h:	4.05728	-1.08465	138.6753	-34.5533	126.8942	129.4620	-30.2124	116.9805
2020/03/30	22h:	4.07343	-1.08154	153.6785	-43.2158	142.6352	144.4651	-40.8827	129.9338
2020/03/30	23h:	4.08957	-1.07843	168.6816	-48.8345	162.6983	159.4682	-49.3458	147.5222
2020/03/30	24h:	4.10572	-1.07532	183.6847	-50.0596	-174.2697	174.4714	-53.9525	170.6014
2020/06/28	01h:	23.27937	-0.80563	-161.0456	-28.3668	-160.1787	-170.2590	-34.3784	-169.1456
2020/06/28	02h:	23.27743	-0.80777	-146.0478	-22.8543	-146.1688	-155.2611	-30.2736	-153.5688
2020/06/28	03h:	23.27548	-0.80990	-131.0499	-15.0400	-134.1651	-140.2632	-23.2763	-140.2629
2020/06/28	04h:	23.27351	-0.81203	-116.0520	-5.5786	-123.9813	-125.2654	-14.1929	-129.3159
2020/06/28	05h:	23.27154	-0.81417	-101.0542	5.0141	-115.1684	-110.2675	-3.6931	-120.2815
2020/06/28	06h:	23.26955	-0.81630	-86.0563	16.3657	-107.2186	-95.2696	7.7496	-112.6007
2020/06/28	07h:	23.26756	-0.81843	-71.0584	28.2059	-99.5959	-80.2718	19.8161	-105.7508
2020/06/28	08h:	23.26555	-0.82055	-56.0606	40.3173	-91.6255	-65.2739	32.2867	-99.2229
2020/06/28	09h:	23.26352	-0.82268	-41.0627	52.4687	-82.1442	-50.2760	44.9918	-92.3749
2020/06/28	10h:	23.26149	-0.82480	-26.0648	64.2493	-68.3009	-35.2781	57.7550	-83.9802
2020/06/28	11h:	23.25945	-0.82692	-11.0669	74.3016	-40.6760	-20.2803	70.2210	-70.2273
2020/06/28	12h:	23.25739	-0.82905	3.9310	77.1133	16.4040	-5.2824	80.4727	-30.7320
2020/06/28	13h:	23.25532	-0.83116	18.9288	69.4238	57.9967	9.7155	78.0415	48.4415
2020/06/28	14h:	23.25324	-0.83328	33.9267	58.1578	76.4026	24.7134	66.6086	75.3589
2020/06/28	15h:	23.25115	-0.83540	48.9246	46.1052	87.3953	39.7113	53.9860	86.7352
2020/06/28	16h:	23.24904	-0.83751	63.9225	33.9391	95.8814	54.7092	41.2157	94.4663
2020/06/28	17h:	23.24693	-0.83962	78.9204	21.9411	103.5667	69.7070	28.5611	101.1319
2020/06/28	18h:	23.24480	-0.84174	93.9183	10.3243	111.2883	84.7049	16.1879	107.6970
2020/06/28	19h:	23.24266	-0.84385	108.9162	-0.6731	119.6251	99.7028	4.2755	114.7387
2020/06/28	20h:	23.24051	-0.84595	123.9140	-10.7332	129.0938	114.7007	-6.9325	122.7613
2020/06/28	21h:	23.23835	-0.84806	138.9119	-19.4121	140.1859	129.6986	-17.0775	132.3023
2020/06/28	22h:	23.23617	-0.85016	153.9098	-26.1145	153.2527	144.6965	-25.6303	143.9150
2020/06/28	23h:	23.23399	-0.85227	168.9077	-30.1527	168.2026	159.6944	-31.8656	157.9465
2020/06/28	24h:	23.23179	-0.85437	183.9056	-30.9673	-175.8140	174.6923	-34.9781	174.0453
2020/09/26	01h:	-1.20818	2.13946	-158.1005	-49.9744	-144.5625	-167.3139	-57.3716	-155.9705
2020/09/26	02h:	-1.22440	2.14305	-143.0970	-41.4391	-126.7937	-152.3103	-49.9567	-133.7715
2020/09/26	03h:	-1.24062	2.14663	-128.0934	-30.9051	-113.5056	-137.3067	-39.6057	-118.3704
2020/09/26	04h:	-1.25685	2.15021	-113.0898	-19.3450	-102.9155	-122.3031	-27.8236	-107.1580
2020/09/26	05h:	-1.27307	2.15379	-98.0862	-7.3069	-93.6988	-107.2995	-15.3647	-98.1469
2020/09/26	06h:	-1.28929	2.15736	-83.0826	4.8573	-84.9036	-92.2960	-2.6310	-90.1024
2020/09/26	07h:	-1.30552	2.16094	-68.0791	16.8496	-75.7107	-77.2924	10.1065	-82.1476
2020/09/26	08h:	-1.32174	2.16451	-53.0755	28.3187	-65.2121	-62.2888	22.5867	-73.4540
2020/09/26	09h:	-1.33796	2.16809	-38.0719	38.7283	-52.2078	-47.2852	34.4488	-62.9675
2020/09/26	10h:	-1.35418	2.17166	-23.0683	47.1633	-35.1790	-32.2817	45.0608	-49.1039
2020/09/26	11h:	-1.37040	2.17523	-8.0648	52.1876	-13.2245	-17.2781	53.2196	-29.7297
2020/09/26	12h:	-1.38662	2.17880	6.9388	52.3667	11.4080	-2.2745	56.9877	-4.1762
2020/09/26	13h:	-1.40285	2.18237	21.9424	47.6371	33.6687	12.7290	54.8985	22.5239
2020/09/26	14h:	-1.41907	2.18594	36.9459	39.3827	51.0237	27.7326	47.8219	43.8558
2020/09/26	15h:	-1.43529	2.18950	51.9495	29.0687	64.2465	42.7362	37.7763	59.1266
2020/09/26	16h:	-1.45151	2.19307	66.9531	17.6439	74.8617	57.7397	26.1958	70.4117
2020/09/26	17h:	-1.46773	2.19663	81.9566	5.6627	84.0938	72.7433	13.8454	79.4953
2020/09/26	18h:	-1.48395	2.20019	96.9602	-6.5171	92.8632	87.7469	1.1424	87.5560
2020/09/26	19h:	-1.50017	2.20375	111.9638	-18.6000	101.9867	102.7504	-11.6368	95.4574
2020/09/26	20h:	-1.51638	2.20731	126.9673	-30.2458	112.3984	117.7540	-24.2381	104.0301
2020/09/26	21h:	-1.53260	2.21087	141.9709	-40.9325	125.3964	132.7575	-36.3207	114.3622
2020/09/26	22h:	-1.54882	2.21443	156.9744	-49.7311	142.7777	147.7611	-47.2773	128.1876
2020/09/26	23h:	-1.56504	2.21798	171.9780	-55.0768	165.8962	162.7647	-55.8798	148.1277
2020/09/26	24h:	-1.58126	2.22154	186.9815	-55.2859	-167.6808	177.7682	-59.9522	175.5412

Table 6 Calculated Exaple for Three Days in 2086 for Tokyo and Kagoshima

Matsumoto Rev. Method (2022) ... Year:2086 Delta T: 171.532 sec. [All Units: deg. of angle]

		Tokyo					Kagoshima		
		Latitude, Longitude: 35.692 139.750					31.555 130.547		
YYYY/MM/DD	HHh	Sol.Decl.	Eq.Time	Hr.Angle	Altitude	Azimuth	Hr.Angle	Altitude	Azimuth
2086/03/31	01h	4.12483	-1.05896	-161.2990	-46.5023	-152.3153	-170.5123	-53.1934	-164.0726
2086/03/31	02h	4.14096	-1.05587	-146.2959	-39.1848	-134.4359	-155.5092	-47.3627	-142.3808
2086/03/31	03h	4.15710	-1.05277	-131.2928	-29.4921	-120.5792	-140.5061	-38.1646	-126.2174
2086/03/31	04h	4.17323	-1.04967	-116.2897	-18.4419	-109.5077	-125.5030	-27.0959	-114.2133
2086/03/31	05h	4.18936	-1.04657	-101.2866	-6.6572	-100.0422	-110.4999	-15.0343	-104.6974
2086/03/31	06h	4.20549	-1.04348	-86.2835	5.4677	-91.2580	-95.4968	-2.4662	-96.4646
2086/03/31	07h	4.22162	-1.04038	-71.2804	17.6325	-82.3473	-80.4937	10.3044	-88.6334
2086/03/31	08h	4.23774	-1.03728	-56.2773	29.5251	-72.4111	-65.4906	23.0296	-80.3966
2086/03/31	09h	4.25387	-1.03419	-41.2742	40.6950	-60.1869	-50.4875	35.4149	-70.7394
2086/03/31	10h	4.26999	-1.03110	-26.2711	50.3315	-43.7459	-35.4844	46.9629	-58.0160
2086/03/31	11h	4.28610	-1.02800	-11.2680	56.9241	-20.9182	-20.4813	56.6314	-39.3741
2086/03/31	12h	4.30222	-1.02491	3.7351	58.4284	7.1272	-5.4782	62.2655	-11.8040
2086/03/31	13h	4.31833	-1.02182	18.7382	54.1864	33.1912	9.5248	61.3314	20.1175
2086/03/31	14h	4.33444	-1.01873	33.7413	45.8545	52.6758	24.5279	54.3482	45.2518
2086/03/31	15h	4.35055	-1.01564	48.7444	35.3319	66.7579	39.5310	44.0305	61.9745
2086/03/31	16h	4.36666	-1.01255	63.7475	23.7437	77.6723	54.5341	32.1972	73.6739
2086/03/31	17h	4.38276	-1.00946	78.7505	11.6871	86.9917	69.5372	19.6958	82.8432
2086/03/31	18h	4.39886	-1.00637	93.7536	-0.4742	95.7609	84.5403	6.9485	90.9070
2086/03/31	19h	4.41496	-1.00329	108.7567	-12.4446	104.8057	99.5434	-5.7723	98.7937
2086/03/31	20h	4.43106	-1.00020	123.7598	-23.8882	114.9676	114.5465	-18.2109	107.3068
2086/03/31	21h	4.44716	-0.99711	138.7629	-34.3136	127.2818	129.5496	-30.0254	117.3887
2086/03/31	22h	4.46325	-0.99403	153.7660	-42.9194	143.0018	144.5526	-40.6445	130.3572
2086/03/31	23h	4.47934	-0.99095	168.7691	-48.4771	162.9683	159.5557	-49.0389	147.9131
2086/03/31	24h	4.49543	-0.98786	183.7721	-49.6640	-174.1844	174.5588	-53.5785	170.8384
2086/06/29	01h	23.21697	-0.89536	-161.1354	-28.4511	-160.2469	-170.3487	-34.4542	-169.2308
2086/06/29	02h	23.21473	-0.89745	-146.1374	-22.9494	-146.2132	-155.3508	-30.3647	-153.6258
2086/06/29	03h	23.21248	-0.89953	-131.1395	-15.1410	-134.1897	-140.3529	-23.3758	-140.2945
2086/06/29	04h	23.21022	-0.90162	-116.1416	-5.6820	-123.9910	-125.3550	-14.2960	-129.3283
2086/06/29	05h	23.20794	-0.90370	-101.1437	4.9102	-115.1668	-110.3570	-3.7970	-120.2798
2086/06/29	06h	23.20566	-0.90578	-86.1458	16.2620	-107.2083	-95.3591	7.6462	-112.5884
2086/06/29	07h	23.20336	-0.90786	-71.1479	28.1028	-99.5781	-80.3612	19.7138	-105.7293
2086/06/29	08h	23.20105	-0.90994	-56.1499	40.2145	-91.6013	-65.3633	32.1855	-99.1922
2086/06/29	09h	23.19873	-0.91202	-41.1520	52.3655	-82.1162	-50.3654	44.8914	-92.3338
2086/06/29	10h	23.19640	-0.91410	-26.1541	64.1447	-68.2857	-35.3674	57.6542	-83.9273
2086/06/29	11h	23.19406	-0.91617	-11.1562	74.2009	-40.7839	-20.3695	70.1175	-70.1773
2086/06/29	12h	23.19170	-0.91824	3.8418	77.0699	15.9759	-5.3716	80.3760	-30.9777
2086/06/29	13h	23.18933	-0.92031	18.8397	69.4413	57.7014	9.6264	78.0505	47.9355
2086/06/29	14h	23.18695	-0.92238	33.8376	58.1941	76.2151	24.6243	66.6527	75.1176
2086/06/29	15h	23.18456	-0.92445	48.8355	46.1461	87.2551	39.6222	54.0366	86.5776
2086/06/29	16h	23.18216	-0.92652	63.8335	33.9792	95.7635	54.6201	41.2658	94.3426
2086/06/29	17h	23.17974	-0.92858	78.8314	21.9770	103.4594	69.6181	28.6076	101.0236
2086/06/29	18h	23.17732	-0.93065	93.8294	10.3533	111.1847	84.6160	16.2285	107.5951
2086/06/29	19h	23.17488	-0.93271	108.8273	-0.6537	119.5207	99.6140	4.3078	114.6374
2086/06/29	20h	23.17243	-0.93477	123.8252	-10.7267	128.9858	114.6119	-6.9114	122.6564
2086/06/29	21h	23.16997	-0.93683	138.8232	-19.4223	140.0736	129.6098	-17.0713	132.1911
2086/06/29	22h	23.16750	-0.93888	153.8211	-26.1450	153.1390	144.6078	-25.6432	143.7976
2086/06/29	23h	23.16501	-0.94094	168.8191	-30.2058	168.0954	159.6057	-31.9018	157.8282
2086/06/29	24h	23.16251	-0.94299	183.8170	-31.0416	-175.9036	174.6037	-35.0391	173.9381
2086/09/27	01h	-1.61061	2.21709	-158.0229	-50.2921	-144.1586	-167.2362	-57.7214	-155.5727
2086/09/27	02h	-1.62681	2.22067	-143.0193	-41.6934	-126.3642	-152.2327	-50.2251	-133.2888
2086/09/27	03h	-1.64300	2.22424	-128.0158	-31.1150	-113.0950	-137.2291	-39.8127	-117.9107
2086/09/27	04h	-1.65920	2.22782	-113.0122	-19.5289	-102.5272	-122.2255	-27.9932	-106.7359
2086/09/27	05h	-1.67539	2.23139	-98.0086	-7.4793	-93.3240	-107.2219	-15.5149	-97.7514
2086/09/27	06h	-1.69159	2.23496	-83.0050	4.6836	-84.5312	-92.2184	-2.7753	-89.7185
2086/09/27	07h	-1.70779	2.23853	-68.0015	16.6623	-75.3302	-77.2148	9.9562	-81.7605
2086/09/27	08h	-1.72398	2.24210	-52.9979	28.1037	-64.8164	-62.2112	22.4176	-73.0501
2086/09/27	09h	-1.74018	2.24567	-37.9943	38.4690	-51.8020	-47.2077	34.2452	-62.5370
2086/09/27	10h	-1.75637	2.24923	-22.9908	46.8435	-34.8036	-32.2041	44.8023	-48.6551
2086/09/27	11h	-1.77257	2.25279	-7.9872	51.8066	-12.9804	-17.2005	52.8873	-29.3315
2086/09/27	12h	-1.78876	2.25636	7.0164	51.9574	11.4273	-2.1970	56.5910	-3.9904
2086/09/27	13h	-1.80495	2.25992	22.0199	47.2430	33.5039	12.8066	54.4930	22.4239
2086/09/27	14h	-1.82115	2.26348	37.0235	39.0217	50.7741	27.8101	47.4513	43.5972
2086/09/27	15h	-1.83734	2.26703	52.0270	28.7377	63.9712	42.8137	37.4451	58.8226
2086/09/27	16h	-1.85353	2.27059	67.0306	17.3335	74.5817	57.8173	25.8937	70.1042
2086/09/27	17h	-1.86972	2.27414	82.0341	5.3633	83.8133	72.8208	13.5610	79.1922
2086/09/27	18h	-1.88592	2.27769	97.0377	-6.8148	92.5803	87.8244	0.8658	87.2542
2086/09/27	19h	-1.90211	2.28124	112.0412	-18.9053	101.6987	102.8279	-11.9150	95.1506
2086/09/27	20h	-1.91830	2.28479	127.0448	-30.5690	112.1071	117.8315	-24.5278	103.7126
2086/09/27	21h	-1.93449	2.28834	142.0483	-41.2845	125.1194	132.8350	-36.6336	114.0341
2086/09/27	22h	-1.95068	2.29188	157.0519	-50.1189	142.5747	147.8385	-47.6271	127.8733
2086/09/27	23h	-1.96687	2.29543	172.0554	-55.4860	165.8896	162.8421	-56.2733	147.9265
2086/09/27	24h	-1.98306	2.29897	187.0590	-55.6679	-167.4222	177.8456	-60.3582	175.6434

# Appendix

## A Critical Review of Four Calculation Methods

### A.1 Outline of the Four Methods

In building environmental engineering field in Japan, there are two famous calculation methods for determining the sun position, that have been referred in text books used in educational courses for college students in Japan: one is (a) Yamazaki method [12], [13]; the another is (b) Akasaka method [14]–[17]. Akasaka Method has been revised recently [17]. Thus we adopt the newest formulae for computer programing here. Additionally, (c) NREL method is also popular because it is used for constructing weather data for the building energy calculation program EnergyPlus (EPW). Thus, we compare these three methods with (d) Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022) here.

Four methods (a)–(d) are summarized in Table 7. Yamazaki method and Akasaka method are based on classical theory by Newcomb. As mentioned latter, the theory is out of date from global scientific standard. These may be acceptable from viewpoint of education.

#### A.1.1 Two Methods Based on Newcomb’s Theory

The astronomical theory by Newcomb [10] is based on time system called “Ephemeris Time” (ET), that is out of standard in International Astronomical Union. Definition of the vernal equinox point for the equatorial coordinate system’s origin is also too old. We can not recommend to use this theory now. However, the calculation is relatively simple and have enough precision for some practical purposes. Meeus says that ET is the similar with our current standard time system “Terrestrial Time” (TT) [22]. However, now we don’t have any information on the difference between ET and UT, that is our ordinal citizen time system.

Anyway, TT is now common time parameter in positional astronomy field after ET and “Terrestrial Dynamical Time” TD discussed in last four decades. Thus we should watch carefully the the difference between TT and UT, *i.e.*,  $\Delta T$ .

**Table 7 Summary of Four Calculation Methods for the Sun Position**

Method Name	Yamazaki [13]	Akasaka [17]
Developer(s)	H. Yamazaki	H. Akasaka
Published Year	(1980)	(1992, Rev.2008)
Primary Theory	S. Newcomb (1906) [10]	
Time Unit	Ephemeris Time, ET	
Modification	H. Yamazaki	H. Akasaka
Coord. System	Geocentric equatorial system	
Coord. Conv.		
Description of $\Delta T$	N/A	
Remark/Note	Long-term change of the obliquity of the ecliptic is considered.	Simplified method after Yamazaki (1980).
Method Name	(DOE) NREL [21]	Matsumoto [1]
Developer(s)	I. Reda & A. Andreas	S. Matsumoto
Published Year	(2003, Rev.2008)	(Rev.2022)
Primary Theory	VSOP87 by P. Bretagnon & G. Francou (1988) [20]	
Time Unit	Terrestrial Time, TT	
Modification	J. Meeus [22]	HG & OG Dept., JCG*[19]
Coord. System	Heliocentric ecliptic system	
Coord. Conv.	Proc. by J. Meeus	Proc. by S. Matsumoto
Description of $\Delta T$	data in AA [25] ?	expressed in equations
Remark/Note	No data and no recommendation on $\Delta T$ .	$\Delta T$ is proposed in equation forms for the years 1600-2100 after NASA [24].

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### A.1.2 Two Methods Based on VSOP87

VSOP87 is high grade (precise) and complicated (detailed) calculation theory for expressing planets positions in the ecliptic coordinate system [20]. The expression includes over 2000 cosine function terms with coefficients. Because the whole program source code is open to the public in fee-free, the theory may be de facto standard globally although its complexity. However, its complexity consumes a lot of memory and time in computation process. So some simplified calculation procedures have been proposed. We can say that Meeus method is a typical simplified method for VSOP87, that is completely followed by NREL method [21]. Generally in building engineering field, it is known that the NREL method is precise. However, we can point out two weakness: (i) There is no explicit instruction how to apply  $dT$  value in NREL method. The program code is open but some users may not have any concern internal action. When user use NREL method blindly like a black box, the precision may be lost.; (ii) The conversion procedure from the ecliptic coordinate system to the equatorial coordinate system that we prefer to use is too complex to use plainly. In order to use it enough, you may understand the source code<sup>\*10</sup>

The simplification of VSOP87 is studied in Japan, too. The methods by Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department of Japan Coast Guard [19], [19], [23] may be typical works. The works were applied in “Matsumoto method” and “Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)” partially.

## A.2 Comparison of Calculation Results of the Solar Declination $\delta$ and the Equation of Time $T_e$

### A.2.1 Method of Comparison

We compare calculation performance of the four methods reviewed in Section A.1 here. We assume that the book named “Chronological Scientific Tables” by National Astronomical Observatory, Japan [18] includes the most detailed data calculated by VSOP87, then the data of the solar declination  $\delta$  [°] and the equation of time  $T_e$  [min.] are considered as the true data. And calculated data by each method are evaluated by three indices: XBE (maximum data of absolute error), MBE (mean bias error), and RMSE (root mean square error).

The original data treated as the true data are daily data for 40 years from 1981 to 2020 ( $N = 14,610$ ) [18]. The data were tuned by the authors<sup>\*11</sup>.

As mentioned above, NREL method’s program source code is open to the public but we make source code originally with referring the published code. Of course, the validation was done by using example results reported in the paper [21].

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<sup>\*10</sup> We remark that even in VSOP87’s source code some basic computation techniques to avoid information loss are not taken into account, unbelievably. You know that the last line equation expressed in Müller’s polynomial form is a classical but essential technique to be applied in Eq. (9) for example.

<sup>\*11</sup> There is one clear misprint data, that were replaced to the interpolated value. The solar declination data were prepared as integer with arcsec. unit. And the equation of time data were prepared as integer with ds(deci-sec.) unit. The original data for the first four years (1981–1984) are based on ET instead of UT. Of course, the difference was taken into account for each method’s calculation.

## A.2.2 Comparison and Evaluation of the Calculated Results

The evaluated indices are summarized in Table 8 and Fig. 6. It is found that Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022) and NREL method, that are based on VSOP87 have the better accuracy than Yamazaki and Akasaka methods based on Newcomb's theory. Although Matsumoto method has smaller operation steps than one NREL method has, the accuracy of Matsumoto method is not so worse than NREL method.

As explanation above, the precision of "Matsumoto method (Rev. 2022)" was evaluated and expected to be applied for the far future like year 2086.

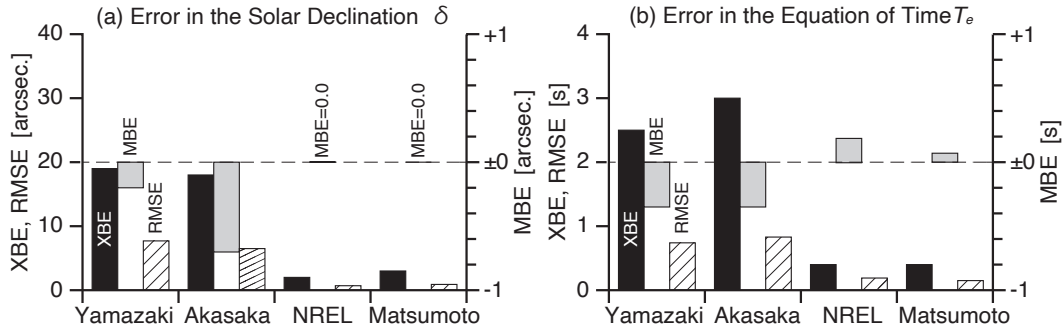
**Table 8 Accuracy analysis for four calculation methods**

(a) Error of the solar declination $\delta$ [″(arcsec)]				
Index*	Yama-zaki	Akasaka	NREL	Matsu-moto
XBE	19.0	18.0	2.0	3.0
MBE	-0.2	-0.7	0.0	0.0
RMSE	7.0	6.5	0.7	0.9

(b) Error of the equation of time $T_e$ [s]				
Index*	Yama-zaki	Akasaka	NREL	Matsu-moto
XBE	2.50	3.00	0.40	0.40
MBE	-0.35	-0.35	0.19	0.07
RMSE	0.74	0.83	0.19	0.15

\*: (Error)=(Estimated Value)-(True Value)



**Fig. 6 Comparison of Calculated Error of Four Methods**

## B Program Source Codes of Julian Day $\overline{JD}$

In following two sections, Julian day calculation codes in FORTRAN90 and C/C++ are described. The algorithm for  $\overline{JD}$  calculation is based on Meeus metho [22].

### B.1 FORTRAN

```
! -----
! Calculation of the Julian Day as long integer
! "Meeus Method" (ユリウス通日計算関数, Meeus)
! YYYY/MM/DD (0 < YYYY, 1 <= MM <= 12,
!             1 <= DD <= 28, 29, 30, 31)
! Note:
! This function does not check the ranges of
! args.: YYYY, MM, DD
! Ref.
! J. Meeus: Astronomical Algorithms (2nd Ed.),
! pp.59-66, Willmann-Bell, Richmond, 1998.
```

```
! -----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*
function JD(YYYY,MM,DD)
implicit none
integer YYYY,MM,DD
integer*8 JD, GREG0, jul, GREG1
integer ja, jm, jy
!
! Gregorian Calendar adopted in Oct. 15, 1582.
GREG0 = GREG(1582,10,15)
!
```

```

jy = YYYY
GREG1 = GREG(YYYY,MM,DD)
if ( 0 > jy ) then
  jy = jy + 1
end if
if ( 2 < MM ) then
  jm = MM + 1
else
  jy = jy - 1
  jm = MM + 13
end if
jul = floor(365.25*jy) + floor(30.6001*jm) &

```

```

+ DD + 1720995
if ( GREGO <= GREG1 ) then
  ja = int(0.01*jy)
  jul = jul + 2 - ja + int(0.25*ja);
end if
JD = jul
!
contains
function GREG(Y,M,D)
integer Y, M, D
integer*8 GREG
  GREG = D+31*(M+12*Y)
end function ! GREG
end function

```

## B.2 C/C++

```

// -----
//      Reference day number macro for comparison
//      #define LGREG(Y,M,D) ((D)+31L*((M)+12L*(Y)))
//      #define GREGO LGREG(1582,10,15)
//      Gregorian Calendar's adopted date in 16C
//      typedef unsigned int uint;
//      typedef unsigned long ulong;
// -----
ulong JDO( uint YYYY, uint MM, uint DD )
// Calculation of the Julian Day as long integer
// "Meeus Method"
// (ユリウス通日を求める関数, Meeus による)
// YYYY/MM/DD (0 < YYYY, 1 <= MM <= 12,
//              1 <= DD <= 28, 29, 30, 31)
// Note:
// This function does not check the ranges of
// args.: YYYY, MM, DD
// Ref.
// J. Meeus: Astronomical Algorithms (2nd Ed.),
// pp.59-66, Willmann-Bell, Richmond, 1998.

```

```

{
  int ja, jm, jy = int(YYYY);
  long jul;
  long GREG1 =
    LGREG( long(YYYY), long(MM), long(DD) );
  if ( 0 > jy ) ++jy;
  if ( 2 < int(MM) ) jm = int(MM) + 1;
  else {
    --jy; jm = int(MM) + 13;
  }
  jul = long(floor(365.25*jy)
    + floor(30.6001*jm) + aDate.DD)
    + 1720995L;
  if ( GREGO <= GREG1 ) {
    ja = int(0.01*jy);
    jul += 2 - ja + int(0.25*ja);
  }
  return ( ulong(jul) );
}

```

## B.3 Reference Table

The following table is a series of data to be helpful for validation works. The days with \* mark have not 12<sup>h</sup>UT. Thus, Julian day for such day is not integer  $\overline{JD}$  but real JD including decimal value.

**Table 9 Some Example Data of Julian Day**

2000	Jan.	1	2 451 545	1600	Dec.	31.0*	2 305 812.5
1999	Jan.	1.0*	2 451 179.5	837	Apr.	10.3*	2 026 871.8
1987	Jan.	27.0*	2 446 822.5	-123	Dec.	31.0*	1 676 496.5
1987	June	19	2 446 966	-122	Jan.	1.0*	1 676 497.5
1988	Jan.	27.0*	2 447 187.5	-1000	July	12	1 356 001
1988	June	19	2 447 332	-1000	Feb.	29.0*	1 355 866.5
1900	Jan.	1.0*	2 415 020.5	-1001	Aug.	17.9*	1 355 671.4
1600	Jan.	1.0*	2 305 447.5	-4712	Jan.	1	0

\*: With consideration of time UT or TT

## C Classical Program Source Codes for the Sun Position Parameters

In this section, two classical calculation methods' program source codes of parameters to determine the sun position: Yamazaki method [12], [13] and Akasaka method [?]-[16], are introduced.

The both codes were written in FORTRAN90. Similar functions were written in C/C++ in Appendix D.

By the way, the calculation examples in above (Appendix A) were calculated by the C/C++ program mentioned in Appendix D latter.

### C.1 FORTRAN Code for Yamazaki Method

```
! -----
! Calculation of the Solar Declination
! and the Equation of Time "Yamazaki Method"
! (赤緯と均時差の計算サブルーチン, 山崎による)
! (output)
! DELTA: Solar Declination [rad.]
! ET: Equation of Time [rad.]
! (input)
! YY: Year, MM: Month, DD: Day
! TT: Hour in ZST
! LONGIT: Reference Longitude for ZST in [deg.]
! Note:
! This subroutine does not check the ranges
! of the input arguments.
! Ref.
! Hitoshi Yamazaki: Fundamental Formulae for
! Daylighting IV (Precise Program to
! Calculate Solar Declination and Equation
! of Time) (in Japanese), Proc. of AIJ
! Annual Meeting 1980, pp.407--408, 1980.9.
! 山崎 均: 日照環境の基礎計算式 IV (対象
! 地域の太陽視赤緯及び均時差を正確に計算
! するプログラム), 日本建築学会大会学術
! 講演梗概集, 計画系, pp.407--408, 1980.9.
! -----*
subroutine SUN(DELTA,ET,YY,MM,DD,TT,LONGIT)
implicit none
integer YY, MM, DD
real DELTA, ET, LONGIT, TT
real M, dM, A, D, D2, D3, ET1, ET2
real t1, t2, t3, DELTA0, E, E0, EPS
real SD, CD, V, VEPS2, YN
real SinM, Sin2M, Sin3M
integer M1,i
integer :: MONTH(12) = &
(/ 31,28,31,30,31,30,31,31,30,31,30,31 /)
real :: RAD = 1.7453292e-2
real :: DELO = 23.4522
!
YN = float(YY) - 1900.0 ! Elapsed yr after 1900
D2 = aint((YN - 1.)/4.)
D3 = aint(YN/4.)
MONTH(2) = 28 + ifix(D3 - D2)
D = float(DD) + (YN - 30.) * 1.1574e-5
D = D + (TT - 12.) / 24. - LONGIT / 15. / 24.
M1 = MM - 1
if ( M1 >= 1 ) then
do i=1, M1
D = D + float(MONTH(i))
end do
end if
!
! Calculation of Julian Century from JD1900.0
t1 = (365. * YN + D2 + D) / 36525.
t2 = t1 * t1
t3 = t2 * t1
!
! Calculation of the Zodiac Tilt Angle DELTA0
! 黄道傾斜角
DELTA0 = -9.44e-5 + 1.30125e-2 * t1 &
+ 1.64e-6 * t2 + 5.0e-7 * t3
DELTA0 = DELTA0 - 23.4522
DELTA0 = DELTA0 * RAD
! Alternative DELTA0 for year 2000
DELTA0 = -DELO * RAD
!
! Calculation of Eccentricity (E) 離心率
E = 1.04e-6 - 4.18e-5 * t1 - 1.26e-7 * t2 &
+ 0.01675
!
! Angle (rad.) between Perihelion and
! Winter Solstice (EPS)
EPS = 0.719175 * t1 + 0.000453 * t2
EPS = EPS + 11.220833 * t1
EPS = EPS * RAD
!
! Calculation of Mean Perigee Elongation (M)
! 平均近点離角
M = 6.00267e-4 * (D2 + D) &
- 9.02579e-4 * YN &
- 0.00015 * t2 - 1.667e-4
M = M - 1.524 - 0.255 * YN + 0.985 * D2
M = M + 0.985 * D
M = M * RAD
SinM = sin(M)
Sin2M = sin(2.0 * M)
Sin3M = sin(3.0 * M)
!
dM = 9.93502e-5 * &
(1.0 - E * (cos(M) - 2.0 * E * SinM * SinM))
M = M - dM
!
V = (2.0 - 0.25 * E * E) * E * SinM
V = V + 1.25 * E * E * Sin2M
V = V + 13.0 / 12.0 * E * E * E * Sin3M
v = V + M
!
SD = cos(EPS + V) * sin( DELTA0 )
CD = sqrt(1.0 - SD * SD)
VEPS2 = 2.0 * (EPS + V)
A = (1.0 - cos(DELTA0)) / (1.0 + cos(DELTA0))
!
! Solar Declination 視赤緯
DELTA = atan( SD / CD )
!
! Equation of Time 均時差
ET1 = M - V;
ET2 = -atan( (A * sin(VEPS2)) &
/ (1.0 - A * cos(VEPS2)) )
ET = ET1 + ET2;
!
return
end subroutine
```

## C.2 FORTRAN Code for Akasaka Method

```

! -----
! Calculation of the Solar Declination
! and the Equation of Time "Akasaka Method"
! (赤緯と均時差を求めるサブルーチン, 赤坂 (2022)
! による)
! (output)
!   SINDLT: Sine of Solar Declination [-]
!   COSDLT: Cosine of Solar Declination [-]
!   ET: Equation of Time [deg.]
! (input)
!   YEAR: Year
!   NDAY: Serial day number of the YEAR
! Note:
!   This subroutine does not check the ranges
!   of the input arguments.
! Ref.
!   H. Akasaka: Simplified Calculation Method of
!   the Sun Position with Secular Changes,
!   General Technical Report on the EA Weather
!   Data. MetDS HP, 2022.8
!   赤坂 裕: 年差を考慮した太陽位置の簡易計算,
!   EA 気象データ技術解説一般, MetDS HP, 2022.8.
! -----
subroutine SUNLD(YEAR,NDAY,SINDLT,COSDLT,ET)
  implicit none

  integer YEAR, NDAY
  real SINDLT, COSDLT, ET
  real DO, M, M1, N
  real V, RAD, DLTO, EPS, VEPS, VE2

  RAD = 3.141592 / 180.
  N = float(YEAR) - 1968.
  DLTO = (-23.4393 + 0.00013 * &
    (FLOAT(YEAR) - 2000.)) * RAD
  DO = 3.71 + 0.2596 * N - int((N + 3.) / 4.)
  M = 0.9856 * (NDAY - DO)
  EPS = 12.3901 + 0.0172 * (N + M / 360.)
  V = M + 1.914 * SIN(M * RAD) &
    + 0.02 * SIN(2.* M * RAD)
  VEPS = (V+EPS) * RAD
  VE2 = 2. * VEPS
  ET = (M - V) &
    - ATAN(0.043 * SIN(VE2) &
    / (1.-0.043 * COS(VE2))) / RAD
  SINDLT = COS(VEPS) * SIN(DLTO)
  COSDLT = SQRT(ABS(1. - SINDLT * SINDLT))

  return
end subroutine

```

## D Program Source Codes for the Sun Position Parameters by Matsumoto, Method (Rev. 2022)

### D.1 FORTRAN Code

The source code described below is a kind of translation from C/C++ code mentioned in Section D.2 latter. We understand that some variables are not need to have structure types in FORTRAN code. They are C/C++ oriented. In FORTRAN, they may be strange, inefficient, counterproductive, and risky. However, we hope that the source code is something helpful for you.

```

! -----
! SolPos.f90
! Calculation Subroutines and functions
! for Sun Position Parameters:
!   Solar Declination 太陽赤緯 [deg.] and
!   Equation of Time 均時差 [deg.]
!
! Coded by Shin-ichi Matsumoto, 2022
!
! Proofed by gfortran
!
! (c) 2022, Shin-ichi Matsumoto, Akita Pref. Univ.
! -----
module mGrobal
  implicit none
  integer, parameter :: YEAR_GREG = 1582
  ! Gregorian calendar adopted in 1582
  integer*8, parameter :: JD2000 = 2451545
  ! Julian day of Jan. 1 12TT, 2000
  double precision, parameter :: pi=3.14159265d0
  integer, parameter :: DAYS_OF_MONTH(12) = &
    (/ 31,28,31,30,31,30,31,31,30,31,30,31 /)
  !
  logical, parameter :: T_ = .true.
  logical, parameter :: F_ = .false.

  type TC
    logical :: T
    double precision :: A, B, C
  end type TC
  type TJday
    integer*8 :: Value
  end type TJday
  type TTday
    integer :: Value
  end type TTday
  type TIntDate
    integer :: Year, Month, Day
  end type TIntDate
  integer :: C_MAX = 18
  type(TC), save :: CLC(18) = (/ &
    TC(T_, 36000.7695d0, 0.0000000d0, 0.0000000d0), &
    TC(F_, 280.465900d0, 0.0000000d0, 0.0000000d0), &
    TC(F_, 1.91470000d0, 35999.050d0, 267.52000d0), &
    TC(F_, 0.02000000d0, 71998.100d0, 265.10000d0), &

```

```

TC(T_,-0.00480000d0, 35999.000d0, 268.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00200000d0, 32964.000d0, 158.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00180000d0, 19.000000d0, 159.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00180000d0, 445267.00d0, 208.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00150000d0, 45038.000d0, 254.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00130000d0, 22519.000d0, 352.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00070000d0, 65929.000d0, 45.000000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00070000d0, 3035.0000d0, 110.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00070000d0, 9038.0000d0, 64.000000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00060000d0, 33718.000d0, 316.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00050000d0, 155.00000d0, 118.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00050000d0, 2281.0000d0, 221.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00040000d0, 29930.000d0, 48.000000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00040000d0, 31557.000d0, 161.00000d0) &
/)
!
integer, save :: D_MAX = 9
type(TC), save :: SDC(9) = (/ &
TC(F_-, 1.00014000d0, 0.0000000d0, 0.0000000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.01670600d0, 35999.050d0, 177.53000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00013900d0, 71998.000d0, 175.00000d0),&
TC(T_-, -0.00004200d0, 35999.000d0, 178.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00003100d0, 445267.00d0, 298.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00001600d0, 32964.000d0, 68.000000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00001600d0, 45038.000d0, 164.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00000500d0, 22519.000d0, 233.00000d0),&
TC(F_-, 0.00000500d0, 33718.000d0, 226.00000d0) &
/)
!
contains
function DegToRad(D)
implicit none
double precision D, DegToRad
DegToRad = D * (pi / 180.d0)
end function DegToRad
!
function RadToDeg(R)
implicit none
double precision R, RadToDeg
RadToDeg = R * (180.d0 / pi)
end function RadToDeg
!
function JC2000(JDE)
implicit none
integer*8 JDE
double precision JC2000
JC2000 = dble(JDE - JD2000) / 36525.d0
end function JC2000
end module mGrobal
! -----
! Calendar functions and subroutines
function Is_Leap(YY)
use mGrobal
implicit none
logical Is_Leap, Ret
integer YY
!
if ( YY <= YEAR_GREG ) then
Ret = .false.
else
if ( 0 == mod(YY,400) ) then
Ret = .true.
else
if ( 0 == mod(YY,100) ) then
Ret = .false.
else
if ( 0 == mod(YY,4) ) then
Ret = .true.
else
Ret = .false.
end if
end if
end if
end if
!
Is_Leap = Ret
!
end function
! -----
subroutine CorrectDate(YY,MM,DD,Done)
use mGrobal
implicit none
integer YY, MM, DD
integer m, DOM(12)
logical Done, chk, leap, Is_Leap
!
chk = .true.
if ( 0 == YY ) then
YY = 1; chk = .false.
end if
if ( 1 > MM ) then
MM = 1; chk = .false.
end if
if ( 12 < MM ) then
MM = 12; chk = .false.
end if
if ( 1 > DD ) then
DD = 1; chk = .false.
end if
leap = Is_Leap( YY );
do m=1, 12
DOM(m) = DAYS_OF_MONTH(m)
end do
if ( leap ) then
DOM(2) = DOM(2) + 1
end if
if ( DD > DOM(MM) ) then
DD = DOM(MM); chk = .false.
end if
!
Done = chk
return
end subroutine
! -----
subroutine TdayToIntDate(TDay,YY,IDate)
use mGrobal
implicit none
type(TTday) :: TDay, t_day
type(TIntDate) :: IDate
integer YY
integer m, day
integer days(12)
logical leap, Is_Leap
!
leap = Is_Leap(YY);
day = 0
do m=1, 12
day = day + DAYS_OF_MONTH(m);
if ( leap .and. 2 == m ) then
day = day + 1
end if
days(m) = day
end do
t_day%Value = TDay%Value
if ( 1 > TDay%Value ) then
t_day%Value = 1
else
if ( 365 < TDay%Value ) then
if ( leap ) then
t_day%Value = 366
else
t_day%Value = 365
endif
end if
end if
IDate%Year = YY
do m=1, 12
if ( t_day%Value <= days(m) ) then
IDate%Month = m
exit
end if
end do
IDate%Day = t_day%Value
if ( 1 /= IDate%Month ) then
IDate%Day = IDate%Day &
- days(IDate%Month - 1)
end if
!
return
end subroutine
! -----
subroutine IntDateToTday(IDate, TDay)
use mGrobal
implicit none
type(TIntDate) :: IDate
type(TTday) :: TDay, days
integer m, DOM(12)
logical leap, Is_Leap
!
if ( 1 == IDate%month ) then
TDay%Value = IDate%Day

```

```

function JD_of( IDate )
    use mGrobal
    implicit none
    type(TIntDate) :: IDate
    type(TJday) :: JDay
    integer ja, jm, jy
    integer*8 jul, GREGO, JD_of
!
    call IntDateToJDay( IDate, JDay )
!
    JD_of = JDay%Value
!
    return
end function
-----
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-----
Time Difference dT in [msec.] integer
    "NASA Method"
    YY: year (1600-2150)
! Ref.
!   Fred~Esenpak and Jean~Meeus: Five
!   Millennium Canon of Solar Eclipses:
!   -1999 to +3000, The NASA Technical
!   Publication (NASA/TP--2006--214141),
!   NASA, Greenbelt, 2006.10.
-----
function DeltaTime(YY) ! in [msec.]
    use mGrobal
    implicit none
    type(TIntDate) :: UTDate
    integer YY, DeltaTime, dt
    UTDate%Year = YY
    UTDate%Month = 7
    UTDate%Day = 1
!
    DeltaTime = DeltaTimeEx(UTDate)
!
contains
    function RoundTo(V)
        implicit none
        double precision V
        integer IV, RoundTo
        logical :: minus = .false.
!
        if ( 0.d0 > V ) minus = .true.
        IV = nint(abs(V) * 1000.d0)
        if ( minus ) then
            IV = -IV
        end if
        RoundTo = IV
!
        return
    end function
!
    function DeltaTimeEx(IDate)
        use mGrobal
        implicit none
        type(TIntDate) :: IDate
        double precision y, t, S
        integer DeltaTimeEx
        integer YY, MM, DD
!
        YY = IDate%Year
        MM = IDate%Month
        DD = IDate%Day
        y = dble(YY) + (dble(MM) - 0.5) / 12.0
        if ( 7 == MM .and. 1 == DD ) then
            y = dble(YY) + 0.5d0
        end if
        if ( 1 == MM .and. 1 == DD ) then
            y = dble(YY)
        end if
!
        if ( 1600 > YY ) then
            DeltaTimeEx = 0
            return
        end if
        if ( 1701 > YY ) then
            t = y - 1600d0
            S = ((1. / 7129d0 * t - 0.01532d0) &
                * t - 0.9808d0) * t + 120d0
            DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
            return
        end if
        if ( 1801 > YY ) then
            t = y - 1700d0

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S = (((-1d0 / 1174000d0 * t &
+ 0.00013336d0) * t - 0.0059285d0) &
* t + 0.1603d0) * t + 8.83d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 1861 > YY ) then
t = y - 1800d0
S = (((((0.000000000875d0 * t &
- 0.0000001699d0) * t + 0.0000121272d0) &
* t - 0.00037436d0) * t + 0.0041116d0) &
* t + 0.0068612d0) * t - 0.332447d0) &
* t + 13.72d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 1901 > YY ) then
t = y - 1860d0
S = (((((1d0 / 233174d0 * t &
- 0.0004473624d0) * t + 0.01680668d0) &
* t - 0.251754d0) * t + 0.5737d0) &
* t + 7.62d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 1921 > YY ) then
t = y - 1900d0
S = ((((-0.000197d0 * t + 0.0061966d0) &
* t - 0.0598939d0) * t + 1.494119d0) &
* t - 2.79d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 1941 > YY ) then
t = y - 1920d0
S = (((0.0020936d0 * t - 0.076100d0) &
* t + 0.84493d0) * t + 21.20d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 1961 > YY ) then
t = y - 1950d0
S = (((1d0 / 2547d0 * t - 1d0/233d0) &
* t + 0.407d0) * t + 29.07d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 1986 > YY ) then
t = y - 1975d0
S = (((-1d0/718d0 * t - 1d0/260d0) &
* t + 1.067d0) * t + 45.45d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 2006 > YY ) then
t = y - 2000d0
S = (((((0.00002373599d0 * t &
+ 0.000651814d0) * t + 0.0017275d0) &
* t - 0.060374d0) &
* t + 0.3345d0) * t + 63.86d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 2051 > YY ) then
t = y - 2000d0
S = ((0.005589d0 * t + 0.32217d0) &
* t + 62.92d0
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end if
if ( 2151 > YY ) then
t = y - 1820d0
S = ((0.0032d0 * t + 0.5628d0) &
* t - 205.724d0
else
S = 328.48d0
end if
DeltaTimeEx = RoundTo(S)
return
end function DeltaTimeEx
end function DeltaTime
! .....
```

! Calculation of the obliquity of the ecliptic  
! for a given Julian century JC based on J2000.0  
! (黄道傾角)  
! Note:  
! On consideration of the nutation, IsPrec  
! is a switch.

```

! = true (default): with consideration
! = false: without consideration
! Return value is in deg.
! Hereafter, abbr. JC2000 for a Julian century
! based on the J2000.0.
!-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*
function Obliquity( JC, IsPrec )
use mGrobal
implicit none
double precision JC, Obliquity, Eps, T1, T2
logical IsPrec
!
Eps = (( -5.0361111d-7 * JC &
+ 1.6388889d-7) * JC &
+ 1.3004167d-2) * JC - 2.343929d+1
if ( IsPrec ) then
T1 = DegToRad( &
dmod( 1934d0 * JC + 235d0, 360d0) )
T2 = DegToRad( &
dmod(72002d0 * JC + 201d0, 360d0) )
Eps = Eps - 0.00256d0 * cos( T1 ) &
- 0.00015d0 * cos( T2 )
end if
Obliquity = Eps
!
return
end function
!-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*
! Calculation of the solar celestial longitude
! for a given JC2000 (視黄経または平均黄経)
! Note:
! If IsApp = .false., then the mean value is
! returned. Return value is in deg.
!-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*
function CLongit( JC, IsApp )
use mGrobal
implicit none
double precision JC, CLongit
logical IsApp
double precision cl, A, BT_C
integer i
!
cl = 0.0d0
do i=C_MAX, 3, -1
! DON'T CHANGE the loop INDEX ORDER
! to avoid information loss!
if ( CLC(i)%T ) then
A = CLC(i)%A * JC
else
A = CLC(i)%A
end if
BT_C = CLC(i)%B * JC + CLC(i)%C
BT_C = DegToRad( dmod(BT_C, 360d0) )
cl = cl + A * cos( BT_C )
end do
cl = cl + CLC(2)%A + CLC(1)%A * JC
if ( IsApp ) then
A = 0.0048d0
BT_C = 1934d0 * JC + 145d0
BT_C = DegToRad( dmod(BT_C, 360d0) )
cl = cl + A * cos( BT_C )
A = -0.0004d0
BT_C = 72002d0 * JC + 111d0
BT_C = DegToRad( dmod(BT_C, 360d0) )
cl = cl + A * cos( BT_C ) - 0.0057d0
end if
cl = dmod(cl, 360d0);
if ( 0.0 <= cl ) then
CLongit = cl
else
CLongit = cl + 360d0
end if
!
return
end function
!-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*
! Calculation of the mean solar right ascension
! for a given JC2000 (UT). (平均太陽の赤経)
! Note:
! Julian century UTJC should be calculated
! with UTC. Return value is in [h].
!-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*-----*
function MAscens( UTJC )
use mGrobal
implicit none
double precision UTJC, MAscens, Sec, Hour
!
```

```

Sec = ((-0.0000062d0*UTJC + 0.093104d0)*UTJC + &
8640184.812866d0)*UTJC + 67310.54841d0
Hour = Sec / 3600d0
Hour = dmod(Hour, 24d0)
if ( 0.0 <= Hour ) then
  MAscens = Hour
else
  MAscens = Hour + 24d0
end if
!
return
end function
!-----
! Calculation of the equation of equinoxes for a
! for a given JC2000 (JC). (分点差)
! Note:
!   Return value is in [h]. Based on the eq.:
!   dL * cos(eps) / 15.
!   where dL is the nutation of the
!   celestial longitude[deg.] and eps is the
!   apparent obliquity of the ecliptic.
!-----
function Eq( JC )
  use mGlobal
  implicit none
  double precision JC, Eq, X, Obliquity
!
  X = 0.0048 * sin( DegToRad( &
    dmod(1934d0 * JC + 235d0, 360d0) ) ) &
    - 0.0004 * sin( DegToRad( &
    dmod(72002d0 * JC + 201d0, 360d0) ) )
  X = X * cos( DegToRad(Obliquity(JC,.true.)) )
  Eq = X / 15d0
!
return
end function
!-----
! Calculation of the geocentric distance to
! the sun for a given JC2000 (JC). (地心距離)
! Note:
!   Return value is in AU.
!-----
function SolarDistance( JC )
  use mGlobal
  implicit none
  double precision JC, SolarDistance, sd, A, BT_C
  integer i
!
  sd = 0.0d0
  do i=D_MAX, 2, -1
    ! DON'T CHANGE the loop INDEX ORDER
    ! to avoid information loss!
    if ( SDC(i)%T ) then
      A = SDC(i)%A * JC
    else
      A = SDC(i)%A
    end if
    BT_C = SDC(i)%B * JC + SDC(i)%C
    BT_C = DegToRad( dmod(BT_C, 360d0) )
    sd = sd + A * cos( BT_C );
  end do
  sd = sd + SDC(1)%A
  SolarDistance = sd
!
return
end function
!-----
! Calculation of the solar declination and the
! equation of time (solar parameters)
! "Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)" (視赤緯と均時差)
! SUBROUTINE STYLE
! (input)
!   YYYY: a given year (1600-2150)
!   SDAY: serial day number of YYYY (1-365, 366)
!   UT: a given time in UTC.
! (output)
!   D: the solar declination in deg.
!   SinD, CosD: sin(D), cos(D)
!   R: the solar distance in AU.
!   ET: the equation of time in deg.
!-----
subroutine SolarParams( YYYY, SDAY, UT, &
  SinD, CosD, D, R, ET )
  use mGlobal
  implicit none
  integer YYYY, SDAY, DeltaTime
  double precision UT, SinD, CosD, D, R, ET
  double precision Hr, T, Tu, JC, Del, L,
  double precision Sd, Cd, Dec, Ta, Tam, ETO
  double precision, save :: dHr = 0.0d0
  integer, save :: pYear = 0
  type(TIntDate) theDate
  type(TTDay) TDay
  integer*8 JD_of, JD
  double precision Obliquity, Clongit
  double precision MAscens, Eq, SolarDistance
!
  TDay%Value = SDAY
  call TDayToIntDate( TDay, YYYY, theDate )
!
  Hr = UT
  if ( pYear /= YYYY ) then
    dHr = DeltaTime( YYYY ) * 0.001d0 / 3600d0
    pYear = YYYY
  end if
  JD = JD_of( theDate )
  JC = JC2000( JD )
  T = JC &
    + (Hr + dHr - 12d0) / (24d0*36525d0)
  Tu = JC &
    + (Hr - 12d0) / (24d0*36525d0)
  Del = Obliquity( T, .true. )
  L = Clongit( T, .true. )
  Del = DegToRad( Del )
  L = DegToRad( L )
  Sd = -sin( L ) * sin( Del )
  Cd = sqrt( 1.0 - Sd * Sd )
  Dec = atan( Sd / Cd ) ! in RAD.
  Ta = tan( L ) * cos( Del )
  Tam = tan( DegToRad( 15d0*MAscens( Tu ) ) )
  ETO = RadToDeg( &
    atan( (Tam - Ta) / (1d0 + Tam * Ta) ) )
  ET = ETO + Eq( T ) * 15d0
  SinD = sin( Dec )
  CosD = cos( Dec )
  D = RadToDeg( Dec )
  R = SolarDistance( T )
!
return
end subroutine
!-----
! Calculation of the sun position
! "Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)" (太陽位置)
! SUBROUTINE STYLE (JAPAN ONLY)
! (input)
!   Phi: Latitude of a given location in deg.
!   Ell: Longitude of a given location in deg.
!   JST: Hour in JST
!   ET: Equation of time calculated in deg.
!   SinD: Sin of the solar declination calculated
!   CosD: Cosine of the solar declination calculated
! (output)
!   SinH, CosH: Sin and Cosine of the solar altitude
!   SinA, CosA: Sin and Cosine of the solar azimuth
!-----
subroutine SolarPosition( Phi, Ell, JST, ET, &
  SinD, CosD, SinH, CosH, SinA, CosA )
! This function is just for JAPAN.
! You can change 135.0 in the following
! code to be a longitude value for
! reference one in your time zone.
  use mGlobal
  implicit none
  double precision Phi, Ell, JST, ET, SinD, CosD
  double precision SinH, CosH, SinA, CosA, T, P
!
  T = DegToRad(15d0 * (JST - 12d0) &
    + (Ell - 135d0) + ET);
  P = DegToRad(Phi);
  SinH = sin( P ) * SinD &
    + cos( P ) * CosD * cos( T )
  CosH = sqrt( abs(1.0 - SinH*SinH) )
  SinA = CosD * sin( T ) / CosH;
  CosA = (SinH * sin( P ) - SinD) &
    / (CosH * cos( P ));
end subroutine
!-----
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! -----
program SolPos
  use mGrobal
  implicit none
  type(TIntDate) Date
  type(TTday) TDay
  type(TJday) JDay
  integer YY, SDAY, dT, DeltaTime
  integer*8 JDE12, JD_of
  double precision UT, SD, CD, D, R, ET, JC
!
  YY = 2020

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Date%Year = YY
Date%Month = 7
Date%Day = 24

call IntDateToTday( Date, TDay )
call IntDateToJday( Date, JDay )

SDAY = TDay%Value
JDE12 = JD_of( Date )
JC = JC2000( JDE12 )
dT = DeltaTime( YY )
print *, "2020/07/24 =", SDAY
print *, "J.Day@12TT =", JDE12
print *, "Jul. Cent. =", JC
print *, "Time Diff. =", dT * 0.001

UT = 6d0
call SolarParams( YY,SDAY,UT, SD,CD,D,R,ET )
print *, "Declination (deg)", D
print *, "Eq. of time (s)", ET * 240d0

stop
end program SolPos

```

## D.2 C/C++ Code

Calculation program code is listed below. As you know, the sun position can get by using function SolPos( ... ).

```

// =====
// main.cpp (example) メイン関数の例
// =====
#include <tchar.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>
#include <System.Math.hpp>
// For following functions, Round(...),
// DegToRad(...), RadToDeg(...) and so on
// are local for a specified compiler.
// You may find/make equivalent ones.
#pragma hdrstop
#pragma argsused
// Declaration of important functions
#include "SolPos.h"
//
int _tmain( void )
{
  TIntDate Date;
  double Dlt, Et;
  double SinD, CosD, D, R, CosV,
         SinH, CosH, SinA, CosA, h, A;

  //
  // Calculation for Tokyo in 15h JST,
  // July 24, 2020
  //
  int Year = 2020; Date.year = Year;
  Date.month = 7; Date.day = 24;
  int Jst = 15;
  double Phi = 35.0 + 41.1 / 60.0;
  double Ell = 139.0 + 45.6 / 60.0;
  //
  // By Rika Nempyo
  // (Chronological Scientific Tables)
  //
  Dlt = DegToRad( 19.7559 );
  SinD = sin( Dlt ); CosD = cos( Dlt );
  Et = 15.0 / 3600.0 * (-392.4);
  SolarPosition( Phi, Ell, Jst, Et,
                 SinD, CosD, SinH, CosH, SinA, CosA );
  h = RadToDeg( asin( SinH ) );
  A = RadToDeg( acos( CosA ) )
    * (SinA >= 0.0 ? 1.0 : -1.0);
  wprintf( L"Rika 6UT Intp.: h = %8.4lf, "
           "A = %8.4lf\n", h, A );
  //
  // Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)
  //
  unsigned Sday =

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  unsigned(IntDateToTday( Date ));
  Et = SolarParams( unsigned(Year), Sday,
                    6.0, SinD, CosD, D, R );
  wprintf( L"Matsu Rev. 6UT: d = %8.4lf, "
           "Te=%8.1lf\n", D, Et * 240.0 );
  SolarPosition( Phi, Ell, Jst, Et,
                 SinD, CosD, SinH, CosH, SinA, CosA );
  h = RadToDeg( asin( SinH ) );
  A = RadToDeg( acos( CosA ) )
    * (SinA >= 0.0 ? 1.0 : -1.0);
  wprintf( L"Rika 6UT Intp.: h = %8.4lf, "
           "A = %8.4lf\n", h, A );
  //
  // Akasaka Method afer Yamazaki Method
  //
  Et = SolarParamsAk2( unsigned(Year),
                       Sday, SinD, CosD, CosV );
  D = RadToDeg( asin( SinD ) );
  wprintf( L"Akasaka Method: d = %8.4lf, "
           "Te=%8.1lf\n", D, Et * 240.0 );
  SolarPosition( Phi, Ell, Jst, Et,
                 SinD, CosD, SinH, CosH, SinA, CosA );
  h = RadToDeg( asin( SinH ) );
  A = RadToDeg( acos( CosA ) )
    * (SinA >= 0.0 ? 1.0 : -1.0);
  wprintf( L"Rika 6UT Intp.: h = %8.4lf, "
           "A = %8.4lf\n", h, A );

  printf( "Hit any key..." );
  getch();

  return ( 0 );
}
// =====
// SolPos.h (header file)
// =====
#ifndef SolPosH
#define SolPosH
// -----
// SolPos for the building env. eng'g.
// SolPos.h & SolPos.cpp
// - Functions related on calc. of
//   the solar position
// (c) 2014-2020, Shin-ichi Matsumoto
// -----
typedef unsigned long ulong;
typedef long TJday; // Julian day
typedef int TTday; // Serial day no.
extern const ulong JD2000;

```

```

#pragma pack(push,1)
typedef struct {
    int year; int month; int day;
} TIntDate;
#pragma pack(pop)
// -----
extern void SolarPosition(
    const double Phi, const double Ell,
    const double Jst, const double Et,
    const double SinD, const double CosD,
    double& SinH, double& CosH,
    double& SinA, double& CosA );
/* Solar position calculation func.
   specified for JAPAN
   INPUT
   Phi: Latit.(+deg.),
   Ell: Longit.(+deg.),
   Jst: Hour in JST(0-24),
   Et: Eq. of time (deg.),
   SinD, CosD: for the declination
   OUTPUT
   SinH, CosH: for the solar altit.
   SinA, CosA: for the solar azimuth
   NOTE
   The input parameters of Et, SinD,
   and CosD must be calculated by
   function SolarParams0(...), or
   SolarParams1(...).
*/
// -----
extern bool Is_Leap( int aYYYY );
/* Judge whether the given year
   (aYYYY) is leap or not.
   When it is a leap year, then returns
   true.
*/
// -----
extern bool CorrectDate( int& aYear,
    int& aMonth, int& aDay );
/* Corrects and Returns data of aYear,
   aMonth, and aDay on a date if it was
   wrong.
*/
// -----
extern void TdayToIntDate( const TDay aTday,
    const int aYYYY, TIntDate& aIntDate );
/* Serial day number (aTday) in a
   year (aYYYY) is converted into
   the TIntDate Struct (aIntDate).
*/
// -----
extern TDay IntDateToTday(
    const TIntDate& aIntD );
/* A given TIntDate Struct (aIntD)
   is converted into the serial day
   number as a return value.
*/
// -----
extern TDay IntDateToTday(
    const TIntDate& aIntDate );
/* Julian day for the given Struct
   TIntDate (aIntDate) is returned.
*/
// -----
inline double JC2000( const double aJD )
{ /* Returns the Julian century based on
   J2000.0 for a given Julina day aJD.
   NOTE
   aJD is NOT INTEGER!
*/
    return ( aJD - JD2000 ) / 36525.0 );
}
// -----
extern ulong JD_of( const TIntDate& aDate );
/* Returns a Julian day number after
   calculation based on the given
   Struct TIntDate arg.( aDate )
   NOTE
   Meeus Method was implemented.
   This function does not check the
   validation of the given arg.
   Execution of the correction func.,
   CorrectDate(...) is recommended
   before using this function.
   DON'T GIVE a date before Jan. 1,
   4713B.C.
   The day separation of the Julian
   day system is at noon, thus
   returned along value means
   the Julian day at noon.
   Ref: W.H.Press et al.,
   Numerical Recipes in C,
   Cambridge Univ. Press, pp.28-29,
   1988.
*/
// -----
extern long DeltaTime( const int aYear );
/* Returns a time difference between TT
   and UT for OUT on July 1 in a given
   year.
   Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022) after
   Espenak and Meeus (NASA TP, 2006)
   NOTE
   Return value is in MILI SECOND.
*/
// -----
extern long DeltaTimeEx(
    const TIntDate& aUTDate );
/* Returns a time difference between TT
   and UT1 for OUT on a given date.
   Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022) after
   Espenak and Meeus (NASA TP, 2006)
   NOTE
   Return value is in MILI SECOND.
*/
// -----
extern double Obliquity( const double aJC,
    const bool IsPrecise = true );
/* (黄道傾角)
   Returns the obliquity of the
   ecliptic for a given Julian century
   based on the J2000.0 point (aJC).
   NOTE
   On consideration of the nutation,
   IsPrecise is switch.
   = true (default): with consideration
   = false: w/o consideration
   Return value is in DEG.
   Hwreafter, abbr. JC2000 for
   a Julian day based on the J2000.0.
*/
// -----
extern double CLongit( const double aJC,
    const bool IsApparent = true );
/* (視黄経または平均黄経)
   Returns the solar celestial
   longitude for a given JC2000.
   NOTE
   If IsApparent = false, then the
   mean value is returned.
   Return value is in DEG.
*/
// -----
extern double MAscens( const double aUTJC );
/* (平均太陽の赤経)
   Returns the mean solar right
   ascension for a given JC2000 (aUTJC).
   NOTE
   aUTJC should be calculated
   with UTC.
   Return value is in DEG.
*/
// -----
extern double Eq( const double aJC );
/* (分点差)
   Returns the equation of equinoxes
   for a given JC2000 (aJC).
   NOTE
   Return value is in HOUR.
   Based on the equation:
   dL * cos(eps) / 15.
   Where dL is the nutation of the
   celestial longitude[deg.] and
   eps is he apparent obliquity of
   the ecliptic.
*/
// -----
extern double SolarDistance( const double aJC );

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/* (地心距離)
Returns the geocentric distance to
the sun for a given JC2000 (aJC).
NOTE
Return value is in AU.
*/
// -----
// For calc. of the solar declination
// and the equation of time (solar
// parameters) (視赤緯と均時差)
//
// INPUT args.
// aYear: a given year,
// aSerDay: a given serial day of aYear,
// aUTC: a given JC2000 value at
// designated UTC.
// OUTPUT args.
// D: the solar declination in DEG.
// [SinD, CosD: sin(D), cos(D)],
// R: the solar distance in AU.
// NOTE
// Following all functions return
// the equation of time in DEG.
// -----
extern double SolarParams(
const unsigned aYear,
const unsigned aSerDay,
const double aUTC,
double& SinD, double& CosD,
double&D, double& R );
/* Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2020)
(松本の方法 2020 年改)
*/
// -----
extern double SolarParamsAk2(
const unsigned aYear,
double& SinD, double& CosD,
double& CosV );
/* Akasaka(2022) Method (赤坂 (2022) の方法)
NOTE
For output arg. CosV, see
the following reference.
H. Akasaka: Simplified Calculation Method of
the Sun Position with Secular Changes,
General Technical Report on the EA Weather
Data. MetDS HP. 2022.8
赤坂 裕: 年差を考慮した太陽位置の簡易計算,
EA 気象データ技術解説一般, MetDS HP, 2022.8.
*/
// -----
extern void Yamazaki(
const SDate* aDate,
const STime* aUT,
double& Decl, double& Et );
/* Yamazaki Method (山崎の方法)
Ref. H. Yamazaki: Fundamental Formulae for
Daylighting IV (Precise Program to
Calculate Solar Declination and Equation of
Time) (in Japanese), Proc. of AIJ Annual
Meeting 1980, pp.407--408, 1980.9.
山崎 均: 日照環境の基礎計算式 IV (対象地域
の太陽視赤緯及び均時差を正確に計算するプロ
グラム), 日本建築学会大会学術講演梗概集,
計画系, pp.407--408, 1980.9.
*/
// -----
#endif // End flag for "SolPos.h"
//
// =====
// SolPos.cpp (source code file)
// =====
#include <math.h>
#include <System.Math.hpp> // Local!
#pragma hdrstop
#include "SolPos.h"
#pragma package(smart_init) // Local!
// -----
// SolPos for the building env. eng'g.
// SolPos.h & SolPos.cpp
// - Functions related on calc. of

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// the solar position
// (c) 2014-2022, Shin-ichi Matsumoto
// -----
#define YEAR_GREG (1582) // Adoped in 1582
const ulong JD2000 = 2451545UL;
// Julian day of Jan. 1 OUT, 2000
//
const
int DAYS_OF_MONTH[12] = { 31, 28, 31,
30, 31, 30, 31, 31, 30, 31, 30, 31, };
int Days_of_Month[12]; // for temp.
#pragma pack(push,2)
typedef struct {
bool T; double A; double B; double C;
} TAstroChart;
#pragma pack(pop)
// -----
// Calendar functions
// -----
bool Is_Leap( int aYYYY )
{
if ( aYYYY <= YEAR_GREG )
return ( false );
if ( 0 == (aYYYY % 400) )
return ( true );
if ( 0 == (aYYYY % 100) )
return ( false );
if ( 0 == (aYYYY % 4) )
return ( true );
else
return ( false );
}
// -----
bool CorrectDate(
int& aYear, int& aMonth, int& aDay )
{
bool check = true;
if ( 0 == aYear ) {
aYear = 1; check = false; }
if ( 1 > aMonth ) {
aMonth = 1; check = false; }
if ( 12 < aMonth ) {
aMonth = 12; check = false; }
if ( 1 > aDay ) {
aDay = 1; check = false; }
int leap = Is_Leap( aYear );
for ( int m = 0; m < 12; m++ )
Days_of_Month[m] = DAYS_OF_MONTH[m];
if ( leap )
Days_of_Month[1]++;
if ( aDay > Days_of_Month[aMonth - 1] ) {
aDay = Days_of_Month[aMonth - 1 ];
check = false;
}
return ( check );
}
// -----
void TdayToIntDate( const TDay aTday,
const int aYYYY, TIntDate& aIntDate )
{
int m, day;
int days[12];
int leap = Is_Leap( aYYYY );
for ( m = 0, day = 0; m < 12; m++ ) {
day += DAYS_OF_MONTH[m];
if ( leap && (1 == m) ) day++;
days[m] = day;
}
TDay tday = aTday;
if ( 1 > aTday ) tday = 1;
if ( 365 < aTday )
tday = leap ? 366 : 365;
aIntDate.year = aYYYY;
for ( m = 1; m <= 12; m++ ) {
if ( tday <= days[m - 1] ) {
aIntDate.month = m; break; }
}
if ( 1 == aIntDate.month )
aIntDate.day = tday;
else
aIntDate.day = tday
- days[aIntDate.month - 2];
}

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//-----
extern long DeltaTimeEx(
    const TIntDate& aUTDate )
{
    double y = aUTDate.year
        + (aUTDate.month - 0.5) / 12.0;
    if ( 7 == aUTDate.month &&
        1 == aUTDate.day )
        y = aUTDate.year + 0.5;
    if ( 1 == aUTDate.month &&
        1 == aUTDate.day ) y = aUTDate.year;

    double t, S;
    long R;

    if ( 1600 > aUTDate.year ) return (0L);
    else if ( 1701 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1600.0;
        S = ((1.0 / 7129.0 * t - 0.01532)
            * t - 0.9808) * t + 120.0;
    }
    else if ( 1801 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1700.0;
        S = (((-1.0 / 1174000.0 * t +
            0.00013336) * t - 0.0059285)
            * t + 0.1603) * t + 8.83;
    }
    else if ( 1861 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1800.0;
        S = ((((((0.0000000000875 * t
            - 0.00000001699) * t + 0.0000121272)
            * t - 0.00037436) * t + 0.0041116)
            * t + 0.0068612) * t - 0.332447)
            * t + 13.72;
    }
    else if ( 1901 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1860.0;
        S = (((((1.0 / 233174.0 * t
            - 0.0004473624) * t + 0.01680668)
            * t - 0.251754) * t + 0.5737)
            * t + 7.62;
    }
    else if ( 1921 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1900.0;
        S = ((((-0.000197 * t + 0.0061966)
            * t - 0.0598939) * t + 1.494119)
            * t - 2.79;
    }
    else if ( 1941 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1920.0;
        S = ((0.0020936 * t - 0.076100)
            * t + 0.84493) * t + 21.20;
    }
    else if ( 1961 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1950.0;
        S = ((1.0 / 2547.0 * t - 1.0 / 233.0)
            * t + 0.407) * t + 29.07;
    }
    else if ( 1986 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1975.0;
        S = ((-1.0/718.0 * t - 1.0 / 260.0)
            * t + 1.067) * t + 45.45;
    }
    else if ( 2006 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 2000.0;
        S = (((((0.00002373599 * t
            + 0.000651814) * t + 0.0017275)
            * t - 0.060374)
            * t + 0.3345) * t + 63.86;
    }
    else if ( 2051 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 2000.0;
        S = (0.005589 * t + 0.32217)
            * t + 62.92;
    }
    else if ( 2151 > aUTDate.year ) {
        t = y - 1820.0;
        S = (0.0032 * t + 0.5628)
            * t - 205.724;
    }
    else S = 328.48;

    R = long( RoundTo( S, -3 ) * 1000.0 );
}

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    return ( R );
}
// -----
double Obliquity( const double aJC,
    const bool IsPrecise )
{
    double epsilon = ((-5.036111e-7 * aJC
        + 1.638889e-7) * aJC + 1.300417e-2)
        * aJC - 2.343929e+1;
    if ( IsPrecise ) {
        double T1 = DegToRad(fmod(
            1934.0 * aJC + 235.0, 360.0 ));
        double T2 = DegToRad(fmod(
            72002.0 * aJC + 201.0, 360.0 ));
        epsilon -= 0.00256 * cos( T1 )
            + 0.00015 * cos( T2 );
    }
    return ( epsilon );
}
// -----
#define _T (true)
#define _F (false)
double CLongit( const double aJC,
    const bool IsApparent )
{
    static const int C_MAX = 18;
    static const TAstroChart Coef[C_MAX] = {
        {_T, 36000.7695,0.0,0.0},
        {_F, 280.465900,0.0,0.0},
        {_F, 1.91470000,35999.050,267.52000},
        {_F, 0.02000000,71998.100,265.10000},
        {_T,-0.00480000,35999.000,268.00000},
        {_F, 0.00200000,32964.000,158.00000},
        {_F, 0.00180000,19.000000,159.00000},
        {_F, 0.00180000,445267.00,208.00000},
        {_F, 0.00150000,45038.000,254.00000},
        {_F, 0.00130000,22519.000,352.00000},
        {_F, 0.00070000,65929.000,45.000000},
        {_F, 0.00070000,3035.0000,110.00000},
        {_F, 0.00070000,9038.0000,64.000000},
        {_F, 0.00060000,33718.000,316.00000},
        {_F, 0.00050000,155.00000,118.00000},
        {_F, 0.00050000,2281.0000,221.00000},
        {_F, 0.00040000,29930.000,48.000000},
        {_F, 0.00040000,31557.000,161.00000},
    };
    double cl = 0.0, A, BT_C;
    for ( int i = C_MAX - 1; i >= 2; i-- ) {
        // DON'T CHANGE the loop INDEX ORDER
        // to avoid information loss!
        A = (Coef[i].T ?
            Coef[i].A * aJC : Coef[i].A);
        BT_C = Coef[i].B * aJC + Coef[i].C;
        BT_C = DegToRad( fmod(BT_C, 360.0) );
        cl += A * cos( BT_C );
    }
    cl += Coef[1].A + Coef[0].A * aJC;
    if ( IsApparent ) {
        A = 0.0048;
        BT_C = 1934.0 * aJC + 145.0;
        BT_C = DegToRad( fmod(BT_C, 360.0) );
        cl += A * cos( BT_C );
        A = -0.0004;
        BT_C = 72002.0 * aJC + 111.0;
        BT_C = DegToRad( fmod(BT_C, 360.0) );
        cl += A * cos( BT_C ) - 0.0057;
    }
    cl = fmod(cl, 360.0);
    return ( cl >= 0.0 ? cl : cl + 360.0 );
}
// -----
double MAscens( const double aUTJC )
{
    static const double SecConst
        = 67310.54841;
    double Sec = -0.0000062
        * aUTJC * aUTJC * aUTJC;
    Sec += 0.093104 * aUTJC * aUTJC;
    Sec += 8640184.812866 * aUTJC;
    Sec += SecConst;
    double Hour = Sec / 3600.0;

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    Hour = fmod(Hour, 24.0);
    return ( Hour < 0 ? Hour+24.0 : Hour );
}
// -----
double Eq( const double aJC )
{
    double eq = 0.0048 * sin(
        DegToRad(fmod(1934.0 * aJC + 235.0,
            360.0)) ) - 0.0004 * sin( DegToRad(
            fmod(72002.0 * aJC + 201.0, 360.0)) );
    eq *= cos( DegToRad(
        Obliquity( aJC, true ) ) );
    return ( eq / 15.0 );
}
// -----
double SolarDistance( const double aJC )
{
    static const int C_MAX = 9;
    static const TAstroChart Coef[C_MAX] = {
        {_F, 1.00014000,0.00000000,0.00000000},
        {_F, 0.01670600,35999.0500,177.530000},
        {_F, 0.00013900,71998.0000,175.000000},
        {_T,-0.00004200,35999.0000,178.000000},
        {_F, 0.00003100,445267.000,298.000000},
        {_F, 0.00001600,32964.0000,68.0000000},
        {_F, 0.00001600,45038.0000,164.000000},
        {_F, 0.00000500,22519.0000,233.000000},
        {_F, 0.00000500,33718.0000,226.000000},
    };
    double sd = 0.0, A, BT_C;
    for ( int i = TAC_MAX-1; i >= 1; i-- ) {
        // DON'T CHANGE the loop INDEX ORDER
        // to avoid information loss!
        A = (Coef[i].T ?
            Coef[i].A * aJC : Coef[i].A);
        BT_C = Coef[i].B * aJC + Coef[i].C;
        BT_C = DegToRad(fmod(BT_C, 360.0));
        sd += A * cos( BT_C );
    }
    sd += Coef[0].A;
    return ( sd );
}
#undef _T
#undef _F
// -----
double SolarParamsAk2(
    const unsigned aYear, const unsigned aSerDay,
    const unsigned aDay, const unsigned aHour,
    const unsigned aMin, const unsigned aSec,
    const int aLongit0,
    double& SinD, double& CosD, double& CosV )
{
    //
    // Akasaka(2022) Method
    //
    int n = int(aYear - 1968u);
    double d0 = -(n+3) / 4; d0 += 3.71 + 0.2596 * n;
    double Delta0 = double(DegToRad(-23.4393 +
        0.00013 * (aYear - 2000)));
    double M = 0.9856 * (double(aSerDay) - d0);
    double MRad = DegToRad(M);
    double Eps = 12.39 + 0.0172 *
        (double(n) + M / 360.0);
    double V = M + 1.914 * sin(MRad)
        + 0.02 * sin(2.0 * MRad);
    double VEps = DegToRad(V + Eps);
    double VE2 = 2.0 * VEps;
    double Ang = atan( (0.043 * sin( VE2 ))
        / (1.0 - 0.043 * cos( VE2 )) );
    double Et = (M - V) - RadToDeg(Ang);
    SinD = cos( VEps ) * sin( Delta0 );
    CosD = sqrt( fabs( 1.0 - SinD*SinD ) );
    CosV = cos( DegToRad(V) );

    return ( Et ); // in DEG.!! NOT in MIN.
}
// -----
void Yamazaki(
    const SDate* aDate,
    const STime* aUT,
    double& Decl, double& Et )
{
    //

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// Yamazaki Method
//
double Hour = anUT->HH + (anUT->MM * 60.0
    + anUT->SS) / 3600.0;
Hour = anUT->PM == sgnPlus ? Hour : -Hour;
SDate Date = *aDate;
int yn = Date.YY - 1900;
int d2 = static_cast<int>((yn - 1) / 4.0);
// temporary.....
double d = SerialDay_of( Date )
    + (yn - 30) * 1.1574e-5;
//.....
// double d = SerialDay_of( Date );
if ( yn >= 85 ) d += (yn - 30) * 1.1574e-5;
d += (Hour - 12.0) / 24.0;
double t1 = (365.0 * yn + d2 + d) / 36525.0;
double t2 = t1 * t1;
double t3 = t2 * t1;
// a little bit bonehead but as it is original
double delta0 = -9.44e-5 + 1.30125e-2 * t1
    + 1.64e-6 * t2 + 5.0e-7 * t3;
delta0 -= 23.4522;
double e = 1.04e-6 - 4.18e-5 * t1
    - 1.26e-7 * t2 + 0.01675;
double eps = 0.719175 * t1 + 0.000453 * t2;
eps += 0.220833 + t1 + 11.0;
eps = DegToRad( eps );
double m = 6.00267e-4 * (d2 + d)
    - 9.02579e-4 * yn
    - 0.00015 * t2 - 1.667e-4;
m += -1.524 - 0.255 * yn + 0.985 * d2;
m += 0.985 * d;
m = DegToRad( m );

double SinM = sin( m );
double Sin2M = sin( 2.0 * m );
double Sin3M = sin( 3.0 * m );

double dm = 9.93502e-5 * (1.0 - e * (cos( m )
    - 2.0 * e * SinM * SinM));
m -= dm;

double v = (2.0 - 0.25 * e * e) * e * SinM;
v += 1.25 * e * e * Sin2M;
v += 13.0 / 12.0 * e * e * e * Sin3M;
v += m;

double sd = cos( eps + v ) * sin( delta0 );
double cd = sqrt( 1.0 - sd * sd );
double v_eps2 = 2.0 * (eps + v);
double a = (1.0 - cos( delta0 ))
    / (1.0 + cos( delta0 ));
// Solar Declination in DEG. 視赤緯
Decl = RadToDeg( atan( sd / cd ) );
// Equation of time in min. 均時差
double et1 = RadToDeg( m - v );
double et2 = -atan( (a * sin( v_eps2 ))
    / (1.0 - a * cos( v_eps2 )) );
et2 = RadToDeg( et2 );
Et = (et1 + et2) * 4.0;
}
// -----
double SolarParams(
    const unsigned aYear,
    const unsigned aSerDay,
    const double aUTC,
    double& SinD, double& CosD,
    double&D, double& R )
{
    //
    // Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)
    // with DeltaTime and DeltaTimeEx
    //
    static double dHr(0.0);
    static unsigned pYear(0);

    TIntDate theDate;
    TdayToIntDate(aSerDay, aYear, theDate);
    double Hr = aUTC; // UT
    if ( pYear != aYear ) {
        dHr = DeltaTime( aYear )
            * 0.001 / 3600.0; // in Hour;
        // LOL!
        // This is only difference with
        // function SolarParams0(...)
        pYear = aYear;
    }
    double JC = JC2000( JD_of( theDate ) );
    double T = JC
        + (Hr + dHr - 12.0) / (24.0 * 36525.0);
    double Tu = JC
        + (Hr - 12.0) / (24.0 * 36525.0);
    double Del =
        DegToRad(Obliquity( T, true ));
    double L =
        DegToRad(CLongit( T, true ));
    double Sd = -sin( L ) * sin( Del );
    double Cd = sqrt( 1.0 - Sd * Sd );
    double Dec = atan( Sd / Cd ); // in RAD.
    double Ta = tan( L ) * cos( Del );
    double Tam =
        tan( DegToRad( 15.0 * MAscens( Tu ) ) );
    double et = RadToDeg(
        atan( (Tam - Ta) / (1.0 + Tam * Ta) ) );
    // in DEG.
    double Et = et + Eq( T ) * 15.0;
    SinD = sin( Dec );
    CosD = cos( Dec );
    D = RadToDeg( Dec );
    R = SolarDistance( T );
    return ( Et ); // in DEG.!! NOT in MIN.
}
// -----
void SolarPosition(
    const double Phi, // Latit. in deg.
    const double Ell, // Longit. in deg.
    const double Jst, // Hour in JST
    const double Et, // Eqt. in deg.
    // D: Declination
    const double SinD, // H: Solar altit.
    const double CosD, // A: Solar azim.
    double& SinH, double& CosH, //
    double& SinA, double& CosA )
{
    // This function is just for JAPAN.
    // You can change 135.0 in the following
    // code to be a longitude value for
    // reference one in your time zone.
    double T = DegToRad(15.0 * (Jst - 12.0)
        + (Ell - 135.0) + Et);
    double P = DegToRad(Phi);
    SinH = sin( P ) * SinD
        + cos( P ) * CosD * cos( T );
    CosH = sqrt( fabs( 1.0 - SinH * SinH ) );
    SinA = CosD * sin( T ) / CosH;
    CosA = (SinH * sin( P ) - SinD)
        / (CosH * cos( P ));
}
// -----
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### D.3 Calculation Example by C/C++ Code

Julian Ephemeris Day JDE(JDE@0TT), the solar declination  $\delta$  (Decl.) [ $^{\circ}$ ], the equation of time  $T_e$  (Te) [s], and the geocentric distance  $r$  (r) [–, AU] were calculated by C/C++ code mentined above in every five days for full course of the year of 2051 from January 0 at 0<sup>h</sup>TT, which means December 31 at 0<sup>h</sup>TT, 2050.

The results are described in Table 10. You may know that the results by FORTRAN code are a litte bit different from these data due to no careful treatment to guarantee precisions of floating point real constants, built-in functions return values, and so on in our codes. However, the difference is not significant for practical engineering purpose<sup>\*12</sup>.

**Table 10 Calculated Parameters for Sun Position in 2051 by C/C++ Program Code**

Year: 2051, Delta T: 96.059sec. by Matsumoto Method (Rev. 2022)

MM/DD	JDE@OUT	Decl.	Te. (sec.)	r [AU]	MM/DD	JDE@OUT	Decl.	Te. (sec.)	r [AU]
01/00*	2470171.5	-23.09193	-165.31929	0.98334	07/04	2470356.5	22.88638	-264.64520	1.01670
01/05	2470176.5	-22.63395	-304.33107	0.98332	07/09	2470361.5	22.37526	-314.77421	1.01670
01/10	2470181.5	-21.98920	-433.22671	0.98343	07/14	2470366.5	21.70330	-354.61873	1.01655
01/15	2470186.5	-21.16544	-548.48732	0.98364	07/19	2470371.5	20.87733	-381.85381	1.01627
01/20	2470191.5	-20.17269	-646.98543	0.98394	07/24	2470376.5	19.90510	-395.06927	1.01589
01/25	2470196.5	-19.02258	-726.55231	0.98437	07/29	2470381.5	18.79491	-393.72087	1.01542
01/30	2470201.5	-17.72755	-786.20481	0.98495	08/03	2470386.5	17.55570	-377.67640	1.01486
02/04	2470206.5	-16.30053	-825.83925	0.98567	08/08	2470391.5	16.19736	-346.84386	1.01417
02/09	2470211.5	-14.75525	-845.71362	0.98649	08/13	2470396.5	14.73074	-301.24806	1.01335
02/14	2470216.5	-13.10632	-846.21164	0.98738	08/18	2470401.5	13.16702	-241.43677	1.01242
02/19	2470221.5	-11.36882	-828.05557	0.98835	08/23	2470406.5	11.51701	-168.75724	1.01142
02/24	2470226.5	-9.55748	-792.66398	0.98941	08/28	2470411.5	9.79110	-85.18456	1.01036
03/01	2470231.5	-7.68611	-742.21138	0.99057	09/02	2470416.5	7.99984	7.15827	1.00924
03/06	2470236.5	-5.76796	-679.26110	0.99183	09/07	2470421.5	6.15451	106.34449	1.00803
03/11	2470241.5	-3.81639	-606.27623	0.99315	09/12	2470426.5	4.26704	210.55636	1.00673
03/16	2470246.5	-1.84520	-525.43320	0.99448	09/17	2470431.5	2.34929	317.70756	1.00537
03/21	2470251.5	0.13186	-438.85737	0.99583	09/22	2470436.5	0.41250	425.20099	1.00399
03/26	2470256.5	2.10184	-348.98347	0.99722	09/27	2470441.5	-1.53242	530.10232	1.00261
03/31	2470261.5	4.05280	-258.62747	0.99865	10/02	2470446.5	-3.47408	629.58878	1.00122
04/05	2470266.5	5.97320	-170.65203	1.00012	10/07	2470451.5	-5.40006	721.25778	0.99979
04/10	2470271.5	7.85108	-87.51879	1.00157	10/12	2470456.5	-7.29715	803.02375	0.99833
04/15	2470276.5	9.67398	-11.13769	1.00298	10/17	2470461.5	-9.15216	872.74892	0.99687
04/20	2470281.5	11.42946	56.87268	1.00435	10/22	2470466.5	-10.95226	928.02983	0.99547
04/25	2470286.5	13.10585	114.81770	1.00569	10/27	2470471.5	-12.68466	966.41643	0.99412
04/30	2470291.5	14.69226	160.87469	1.00702	11/01	2470476.5	-14.33590	985.91275	0.99282
05/05	2470296.5	16.17804	193.46856	1.00832	11/06	2470481.5	-15.89164	985.32270	0.99154
05/10	2470301.5	17.55225	211.74972	1.00954	11/11	2470486.5	-17.33722	964.15641	0.99030
05/15	2470306.5	18.80392	215.72964	1.01066	11/16	2470491.5	-18.65853	922.26004	0.98913
05/20	2470311.5	19.92272	205.96466	1.01168	11/21	2470496.5	-19.84235	859.62444	0.98807
05/25	2470316.5	20.89953	183.13841	1.01263	11/26	2470501.5	-20.87619	776.65109	0.98712
05/30	2470321.5	21.72643	147.99991	1.01352	12/01	2470506.5	-21.74811	674.66748	0.98627
06/04	2470326.5	22.39640	101.73850	1.01433	12/06	2470511.5	-22.44716	556.18637	0.98550
06/09	2470331.5	22.90333	46.39453	1.01503	12/11	2470516.5	-22.96410	424.61963	0.98481
06/14	2470336.5	23.24239	-15.17115	1.01558	12/16	2470521.5	-23.29203	283.68523	0.98424
06/19	2470341.5	23.41058	-79.79708	1.01600	12/21	2470526.5	-23.42651	137.03591	0.98381
06/24	2470346.5	23.40676	-144.58355	1.01633	12/26	2470531.5	-23.36537	-11.62754	0.98354
06/29	2470351.5	23.23139	-207.01679	1.01657	12/31	2470536.5	-23.10885	-158.24134	0.98339

<sup>\*12</sup> In Table 10, Te was calculated as:

$$T_e = E_t * 4\text{min.} * 60\text{sec./min.}$$

So you may find that the difference between C/C++ results and FORTRAN results are relatively big. However, it is just mili-second order difference in the equation of time, that is not so important.

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