

## NAME

ve14ma – CUTER VE14 test driver

## SYNOPSIS

ve14ma

## DESCRIPTION

The *ve14ma* main program test drives VE14 on SIF problems from the CUTER distribution.

VE14 is a subroutine for the solution of the general, large, quadratic programming problem within a feasible region defined by simple bound constraints. It uses a barrier-type algorithm, and provides a choice between the classical log-barrier function, the Jittorntrum-Osborne barrier and the Lagrangian barrier of Conn, Gould and Toint. The first two choices only generate feasible points, while the last has often proved to be the fastest.

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## USAGE

To build the *precision* precision version, the VE14 *precision* subroutine and dependencies should be concatenated in a new file called ve14.f. This file should then be compiled (but not linked) and the resulting object file ve14.o placed in the directory \$MYCUTER/*precision*/bin/.

## NOTE

If no VE14.SPC file is present in the current directory, the default version is copied from \$CUTER/common/src/pkg/ve14/. Default specifications are as follows:

3	ITYPEB,	barrier (1=classical, 2=Osborne+Jittorntrum,3=Lagrangian)
0.00001	STOPG,	projected gradient stopping tolerance

The reader is referred to the papers quoted below, the documentation of the routine in the Harwell Subroutine Library or the code itself if he or she wishes to modify these parameters.

## ENVIRONMENT

### CUTER

Parent directory for CUTER

### MYCUTER

Home directory of the installed CUTER distribution.

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