

## NAME

vf13ma – CUTER VF13 test driver

## SYNOPSIS

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## DESCRIPTION

The *vf13ma* main program test drives VF13 on SIF problems from the CUTER distribution.

VE13 is a subroutine for the solution of the general nonlinear programming problem, involving a possibly nonlinear objective function and possibly nonlinear inequality and equality constraints. It uses a sequential quadratic programming (SQP) approach and allows for a non-monotonic decrease of the merit function using safeguards (the watchdog technique).

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## USAGE

To build the *precision* precision version, the VF13 *precision* subroutine and dependencies should be concatenated in a new file called *vf13.f*. This file should then be compiled (but not linked) and the resulting object file *vf13.o* placed in the directory `$MYCUTER/precision/bin/`.

## NOTE

If no VF13.SPC file is present in the current directory, the default version is copied from `$CUTER/common/src/pkg/vf13/`. Default specifications are as follows:

1000	MAXFUN,	the maximum number of function calls,
0	IPRINT,	the output specifier (0 = no internal printout),
0.0000001	ACCREQ,	the accuracy requirement,
F	DEBUG,	true for maximal printout before and after VF13.

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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