

## **Help message for MATLAB function *refval2.m***

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>> help refval2
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equipotential rotational reference ellipsoid of the World Geodetic
System 1984 (WGS84) defined by:
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## **Output from MATLAB function *refval2.m***

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>> refval2
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WORLD GEODESTIC SYSTEM 1984

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Defining Constants (exact)

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GM = 3.986004418e+14 m^3/s^2   geocentric gravitational constant
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Derived Geometrical Constants of Normal Ellipsoid

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b = 6356752.314245 m      semi-minor axis
E = 521854.008423 m      linear eccentricity
c = 6399593.625758 m      polar radius of curvature
e2 = 6.694379990141e-03  eccentricity squared
ep2 = 6.739496742276e-03 2nd eccentricity squared
f = 3.352810664747e-03  flattening
n = 1.679220386384e-03  3rd flattening
Q = 10001965.729313 m    quadrant distance
R1 = 6371008.771415 m    mean radius R1 = (2a+b)/3
R2 = 6371007.180918 m    radius of sphere of same surface area
R3 = 6371000.790009 m    radius of sphere of same volume
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Derived Physical Constants of Normal Ellipsoid

```
U0 = 62636851.714569 m^2/s^2 normal gravity potential
C2 = +4.841667749599e-04  2nd degree zonal harmonic (fully normalized)
J2 = +1.082629821257e-03  2nd degree zonal harmonic (conventional)
m = 3.449786506841e-03
g_e = 9.780325335903 m/s^2 normal gravity at equator
g_p = 9.832184937865 m/s^2 normal gravity at pole
f* = 0.005302441399     gravity flattening
k = 0.001931852653      constant in Pizzetti's equation
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%=====
% Function: refval2
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% Usage:   refval2;
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% Version 1  21 May 2014
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% Functions Required:
% None
%
% Remarks:
% Function refval2() determines the geometric and physical constants of an
% equipotential rotational reference ellipsoid defined by:
%           a - semi-major axis,
%           1/f - reciprocal of flattening
%           omega - angular velocity of the Earth.
%           GM - geocentric gravitational constant of the Earth,
%
% Given the four defining parameters above, geometric and physical
% constants can be derived by methods and formulae set out in Ref[1].
% Theory is given in Ref[2] and Ref[4].
%
% The following geometric constants of the ellipsoid are evaluated
% b - semi-minor axis of ellipsoid (metres)
% c - polar radius of curvature (metres)
% C2 - fully normalized, second degree zonal harmonic:
%       C2 = J2/sqrt(5)
% e2 - eccentricity squared: e = E/a
% ep2 - second eccentricity squared: ep = E/b
% E - linear eccentricity: E = sqrt(a^2 - b^2) = a*e
% f - flattening of ellipsoid
% J2 - conventional second degree zonal harmonic:
%       J2 = sqrt(5)*C2  J2 is also known as the dynamical form
%       factor
% n - third flattening of ellipsoid: n = f/(2-f)
% Q - quadrant distance of ellipsoid (metres)
% R1 - radius of sphere having mean radius: R1 = (2*a + b)/3
% R2 - radius of sphere having same surface area of ellipsoid
% R3 - radius of sphere having same volume of ellipsoid
%
% The following physical constants of the ellipsoid are evaluated
% gamma_e - normal gravity at equator (m/s^2)
% gamma_p - normal gravity at pole (m/s^2)
% J4,J6,J8,... - coefficients of Legendre polynomials in the spherical
%                 harmonic expansion of the gravitational potential V.
% k - constant in Pizetti's equation for normal gravity.
% m - a derived physical constant: m = omega^2*a^2*b/GM
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%      q0      - q(subscript zero), physical constant used in computation of
%      gamma_e, gamma_p
%      qp0     - q-primed(subscript zero), physical constant used in
%      computation of gamma_e, gamma_p
%      U0      - normal gravity potential at ellipsoid (m^2/s^2)
%
% Variables:
%      a      - semi-major axis of ellipsoid (metres)
%      b      - semi-minor axis of ellipsoid (metres)
%      c      - polar radius of curvature (metres)
%      c0     - coefficient in computation of quadrant distance Q
%      C2     - fully normalized second degree zonal harmonic
%      e      - (first) eccentricity of ellipsoid: e = E/a
%      e2     - (first) eccentricity squared
%      e21    - approximate value of e2
%      ep     - second eccentricity: ep = E/b
%      ep2    - second eccentricity squared
%      E      - linear eccentricity: E = sqrt(a^2 - b^2) = a*e
%      f      - flattening of ellipsoid: f = (a-b)/a = 1-sqrt(1-e^2)
%      f1     - gravity flattening
%      flat   - denominator of flattening: f = 1/flat
%      gamma_e - normal gravity at equator (m/s^2)
%      gamma_p - normal gravity at pole (m/s^2)
%      GM     - geocentric gravitational constant (m^3/s^2)
%      i,j    - integer counters
%      J2     - dynamical form factor (conventional 2nd degree zonal harmonic)
%      k      - constant in Pizzetti's equation for normal gravity.
%      m      - a derived physical constant: m = omega^2*a^2*b/GM = m1/a*b;
%      m1    - a derived physical constant: m1 = omega^2*a^3/GM = m/b*a;
%      n      - third flattening of ellipsoid: n = f/(2-f)
%      n2,n4,... even powers of n
%      N      - size of vector Jvec
%      omega  - angular velocity of earth (radians/sec)
%      q0     - q(subscript zero), physical constant used in computation of
%              gamma_e, gamma_p
%      qp0    - q-primed(subscript zero), physical constant used in
%              computation of gamma_e, gamma_p
%      Q      - quadrant distance of ellipsoid (metres)
%      R1     - radius of sphere having mean radius: R1 = (2*a + b)/3
%      R2     - radius of sphere having same surface area as ellipsoid
%      R3     - radius of sphere having same volume as ellipsoid
%      sgn    - sgn = 1 or sgn = -1
%      U0     - normal gravity potential at ellipsoid (m^2/s^2)
%      x      - local variable
%
% References:
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%     Geodesique Vol.54(3), 1980, pp.395-405.
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%     National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA), Technical Report
%     TR 8350.2
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%     Department of Geospatial Science, RMIT University, 38 pages.
% 5. Deakin, R.E. & Hunter, M.N., 2012. 'A Fresh Look at the UTM
%     Projection: Karney-Krueger equations', Presented at the Surveying
%     and Spatial Sciences Institute (SSSI) Land Surveying Commission
%     National Conference, Melbourne, 18-21 April, 2012.
% 6. Deakin, R.E. & Hunter, M.N., 2013. 'Geometric Geodesy Part A', School
%     of Mathematical & Geospatial Sciences, RMIT University, 3rd
%     printing, January 2013.
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%
%----- set defining constants of rotational equipotential ellipsoid for WGS84 -----
% see Ref[3], Table 3.1, p.3-5
a = 6378137.0;
flat = 298.257223563;
omega = 7.292115e-05;
GM = 3.986004418e+14;

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%-----
% compute GEOMETRIC constants of equipotential ellipsoid
%-----
f = 1/flat;                      % flattening
e2 = f*(2-f);                   % eccentricity squared
e   = sqrt(e2);                  % eccentricity of ellipsoid
ep2 = e2/(1-e2);                 % 2nd eccentricity squared
ep  = sqrt(ep2);                 % 2nd eccentricity
b   = a*(1-f);                  % semi-minor axis of ellipsoid
E   = a*e;                      % linear eccentricity
c   = a*a/b;                    % polar radius of curvature
n   = f/(2-f);                  % 3rd flattening

% computation of quadrant length of ellipsoid. See Ref[5], eq (39).
n2 = n*n;           % even powers of n
n4 = n2*n2;
n6 = n4*n2;
n8 = n6*n2;
c0 = 1 + 1/4*n2 + 1/64*n4 + 1/256*n6 + 25/16384*n8;
Q = a/(1+n)*c0*(pi/2);        % quadrant distance

% computation of radii of equivalent spheres. See Ref[6], pp. 86-87.
R1 = (2*a+b)/3;
R2 = sqrt(a^2/2*(1+(1-e2)/(2*e)*log((1+e)/(1-e))));;
R3 = (a^2*b)^(1/3);

%-----
% compute PHYSICAL constants of equipotential ellipsoid
%-----

% compute normal potential of the reference ellipsoid U0
% See Ref[1] pp.399-400, Ref[2] p.67, eq.(2-61), Ref[4] eq.(38b)
U0 = GM/E*atan(ep) + omega^2*a^2/3;

% compute normal gravity at equator and poles
% formula for q0 given in Ref[2] eq.(2-58), p.66 and Ref[4] eq.(31), p.12
% see also Ref[1] p.398
q0 = ((1+(3/ep2))*atan(ep)-(3/ep))/2;
% formula for qp0 given in Ref[2] eq.(2-67), p.68 and Ref[4] eq.(52), p.19
% see also Ref[1] p.400; Ref[4] eq.(52)
qp0 = 3*(1+(1/ep2))*(1-(1/ep*atan(ep))) - 1;
% compute normal gravity at the equator and the pole
% formulae for gamma_e and gamma_p given in Ref[2] eqs (2-73) and (2-74),
% p.69; Ref[1] p.400 and Ref[4], eqs (62a), (62b).
m   = omega^2*a^2*b/GM;
gamma_e = GM/a/b*(1-m-(m/6*ep*qp0/q0));
gamma_p = GM/a/a*(1+(m/3*ep*qp0/q0));
% compute gravity flattening
f1 = gamma_p/gamma_e - 1;
% compute constant k in Pizetti's equation for normal gravity
% formula for k in Ref[1], p.401 and Ref[4] eq.(68), p.26.
k = b*gamma_p/(a*gamma_e) - 1;

%-----
% compute dynamical form factor J2
%-----
% J2 is also the conventional 2nd degree zonal harmonic
% see Ref[4], eq.(87), p.35
J2 = e2/3*(1-2/15*m*ep/q0);

%-----
% compute fully normalized second degree zonal harmonic C2
%-----
% see Ref[3], p.5-3 where the relationships between conventional and
% full-normalized gravitational potential coefficients is given. For the
% case n=2, m=0, k=1 then FULLY-NORMALIZED = CONVENTIONAL/sqrt(5)
C2 = J2/sqrt(5);

% print headings and computed data
fprintf('\n\nWORLD GEODESTIC SYSTEM 1984');
fprintf('\n=====');
fprintf('\nDefining Constants (exact) \n');
fprintf('\n    a = %7.0f m          semi-major axis',a);
fprintf('\n    1/f = %12.9f         reciprocal of flattening',flat);
fprintf('\n    omega = %9.6e rad/s  angular velocity',omega);
fprintf('\n    GM = %12.9e m^3/s^2 geocentric gravitational constant',GM);

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fprintf('\n\nDerived Geometrical Constants of Normal Ellipsoid \n');
fprintf('\n      b = %15.6f m      semi-minor axis',b);
fprintf('\n      E = %15.6f m      linear eccentricity',E);
fprintf('\n      c = %15.6f m      polar radius of curvature',c);
fprintf('\n      e2 = %15.12e     eccentricity squared',e2);
fprintf('\n      ep2 = %15.12e    2nd eccentricity squared',ep2);
fprintf('\n      f = %15.12e      flattening',f);
fprintf('\n      n = %15.12e      3rd flattening',n);
fprintf('\n      Q = %15.6f m      quadrant distance',Q);
fprintf('\n      R1 = %15.6f m     mean radius R1 = (2a+b)/3',R1);
fprintf('\n      R2 = %15.6f m     radius of sphere of same surface area',R2);
fprintf('\n      R3 = %15.6f m     radius of sphere of same volume',R3);

fprintf('\n\nDerived Physical Constants of Normal Ellipsoid \n');
fprintf('\n      U0 = %15.6f m^2/s^2 normal gravity potential',U0);
fprintf('\n      C2 = %+15.12e    2nd degree zonal harmonic (fully normalized)',C2);
fprintf('\n      J2 = %+15.12e    2nd degree zonal harmonic (conventional)',J2);
fprintf('\n      m = % 15.12e',m);
fprintf('\n      g_e = %15.12f m/s^2   normal gravity at equator',gamma_e);
fprintf('\n      g_p = %15.12f m/s^2   normal gravity at pole',gamma_p);
fprintf('\n      f* = %15.12f        gravity flattening',f1);
fprintf('\n      k = %15.12f         constant in Pizzetti''s equation',k);

fprintf('\n\n');

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