



Absoft Improves Fortran Debugging on Mac OS with Fx3 and Apple's Xcode v3.1

Rochester Hills, MI., July 22, 2008 – Absoft(R) Corporation today announced a significant advancement in the ability to debug Fortran programs on Mac OS / Intel systems. This improved capability utilizes the combination of Apple's newly released Xcode 3.1 and Absoft's Fx3 debugger. Both Xcode 3.1 and the Fx3 debugger are available now.

Absoft states this improved functionality is the combined result of the updated development tools included with Apple's new Xcode 3.1 and the advanced debugging capabilities of Absoft's latest Fx3 graphical, multi-language debugger. Using the new Xcode 3.1 with Fx3, customers will now be able to display and modify the values of program variables located in COMMON blocks, allocated in static storage, or declared inside Fortran 90 modules. These capabilities are available when debugging either 32 or 64 bit executables on Mac OS / Intel based systems.

"The Fx3 debugger supports both Fortran and C/C++ development languages and runs on a wide variety of operating systems. However, not all operating systems support all of Fx3's capabilities," said Wood Lotz, president of Absoft Corporation. "We have been working with Apple to expand the functionality of Fx3 on Mac OS and are very pleased that Xcode 3.1 provides additional debugging capabilities to the development community. Fx3 efficiently utilizes this additional information and the combination of Fx3 and Apple's Xcode 3.1/Leopard provides the best Fortran debugging solution available from any vendor for Mac OS / Intel," continued Lotz.

Xcode 3.1 runs with Leopard and is available free to registered developers from Apple's website. The Fx3 debugger is included as a standard component of Absoft's Pro Fortran v10.1 compiler suite and existing Pro Fortran v10.1 customers can use their current Fx3 as long as they have installed the 10.1.2 service pack. Customers who have not installed the service pack can obtain it free of charge from:

http://www.absoft.com/download/osxinteldownloads10_1.html

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