

### PACKAGE SPECIFICATION

HSL ARCHIVE

FC08

### **1 SUMMARY**

This subroutine evaluates an approximation to

 $\text{ERF}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{0}^{x} e^{-t^{2}} dt$ 

ATTRIBUTES — Version: 1.0.0. Types: FC08B; FC08BD. Original date: June 1979. Origin: S.Marlow.

# **2 HOW TO USE THE PACKAGE**

### 2.1 The Argument List

The single precision version

CALL FC08B(X,ERF)

The double precision version

CALL FC08BD(X,ERF)

- X is a REAL (DOUBLE PRECISION in the D version) variable which must be set by the user to the value of the argument x. It is not altered by the subroutine. Restrictions:  $0 \le X < \infty$ .
- ERF is a REAL (DOUBLE PRECISION in the D version) variable which is set by the subroutine to the computed value of erfc(x).

# **3 GENERAL INFORMATION**

Use of common: none.

Workspace: none.

Other routines called directly: none.

Input/output: none.

Accuracy: 12 figures.

# 4 METHOD

The approximation to the function is given in National Physical Laboratory Mathematical Tables, volume 5, Chebyshev series for mathematical functions (HMSO 1962) by C.W.Clenshaw.