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Here's a simple C function CWYdeg(x,y)  
which returns an angle from 0 to 360 degrees  
measured clockwise from the +Y Cartesian axis  
when given Cartesian coordinates (x,y)
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Using single-precision floats, the accuracy is better than +/-0.17 degree over the entire 0 to 360 range.

Using a similar technique, it is straightforward to create a function which returns angles either clockwise or counterclockwise, from the +X or -X or +Y or -Y axis, in the range 0 to 360 or -180 to +180

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The coefficients for the "helper function" f()  
were determined using linear algebra techniques  
to minimize the maximum absolute error.  
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#include <stdio.h>
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float CWYdeg(float x, float y){  
float f(float t);  
if(x>=0)if(y>=0)if(y>x)return f(x/y);else  
if(x==0)return 0; else return 90-f(y/x);else  
if(-y<=x)return 90+f(-y/x);else return 180-f(-x/y);else  

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float f(float t){  
const float c= -0.0802884041;  
const float b= 60.81576;  
const float a= -15.574181;  
return t*(a*t+b)+c;}
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// here's code to test the function:
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void test(float x, float y){printf("x=%f y=%f CWYdeg(x,y)=%f\n",x,y,CWYdeg(x,y));}
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void main(void){  
test(0,0);  
test(0,1);  
test(1,1);  
test(1,0);  
test(0,-1);  
test(-1,-1);  
test(-1,0);  
test(-1,1);  
test(-0.0001,1);  
}
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