

Start logging Starts logging. The program prompts for the name of the log file, and whether to overwrite or append to an existing file.

Stop logging Stops logging. Also warns when there is logging information which has not yet been written to the log file.

Comment... Outputs a field containing the given text. Useful if auxiliary information is to be logged such as header information, parameter settings and the like.

Statistics Outputs the graph statistics.

Next line Appends the current fields to the log file and starts a new record (i.e., advances to the next line in the log file).

The status line indicates whether logging is enabled with the text '[log]'. As soon as some fields have been logged, the indicator switches to '[log*]' which reminds the user that a new record has been started but not yet saved by means of the 'Next line' operation.

16.2 Macros Submenu

This menu contains commands for loading, saving, recording, running and deleting macros. Note that macro files are simple text files which can also be edited by the user. Most macro commands directly relate to corresponding menu options; see the appendix for a description of the macro file syntax and a list of macro commands. A sample macro file 'demo', which performs a demo tour through the DABTool program, is included in the installation of the program.

Load... Load a macro file (deletes all currently defined macros first). If the file contains a macro named **start**, it will be executed automatically.

Read... Read a macro file, adding the contents to the currently defined macros. Existing macros of the same name will be overwritten.

Save... Save the currently defined macros in a file.

Record... Start recording a macro.

Run Run a macro. There is an option to run the macro in single-step mode which provides a simple debugging facility.

Pause This is effectively a no-op, but when recording a macro it records a **pause** command (see appendix).

Stop Stop macro execution and terminate the macro currently being recorded.

Abort Like 'Stop', but aborts macro recording (deletes the macro currently being recorded).