

NAG Library Routine Document

F04BCF

Note: before using this routine, please read the Users' Note for your implementation to check the interpretation of ***bold italicised*** terms and other implementation-dependent details.

1 Purpose

F04BCF computes the solution to a real system of linear equations $AX = B$, where A is an n by n tridiagonal matrix and X and B are n by r matrices. An estimate of the condition number of A and an error bound for the computed solution are also returned.

2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F04BCF(N, NRHS, DL, D, DU, DU2, IPIV, B, LDB, RCOND, ERBND,
1              IFAIL)
    INTEGER          N, NRHS, IPIV(N), LDB, IFAIL
    double precision DL(*), D(*), DU(*), DU2(N-2), B(LDB,*), RCOND, ERBND

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3 Description

The LU decomposition with partial pivoting and row interchanges is used to factor A as $A = PLU$, where P is a permutation matrix, L is unit lower triangular with at most one nonzero subdiagonal element, and U is an upper triangular band matrix with two superdiagonals. The factored form of A is then used to solve the system of equations $AX = B$.

Note that the equations $A^T X = B$ may be solved by interchanging the order of the arguments DU and DL .

4 References

Anderson E, Bai Z, Bischof C, Blackford S, Demmel J, Dongarra J J, Du Croz J J, Greenbaum A, Hammarling S, McKenney A and Sorensen D (1999) *LAPACK Users' Guide* (3rd Edition) SIAM, Philadelphia <http://www.netlib.org/lapack/lug>

Higham N J (2002) *Accuracy and Stability of Numerical Algorithms* (2nd Edition) SIAM, Philadelphia

5 Parameters

- 1: N – INTEGER *Input*
On entry: the number of linear equations n , i.e., the order of the matrix A .
Constraint: $N \geq 0$.
- 2: NRHS – INTEGER *Input*
On entry: the number of right-hand sides r , i.e., the number of columns of the matrix B .
Constraint: $NRHS \geq 0$.
- 3: DL(*) – **double precision** array *Input/Output*
Note: the dimension of the array DL must be at least $\max(1, N - 1)$.
On entry: must contain the $(n - 1)$ subdiagonal elements of the matrix A .
On exit: if $IFAIL \geq 0$, DL is overwritten by the $(n - 1)$ multipliers that define the matrix L from the LU factorization of A .

- 4: $D(*)$ – **double precision** array *Input/Output*
Note: the dimension of the array D must be at least $\max(1, N)$.
On entry: must contain the n diagonal elements of the matrix A .
On exit: if $IFAIL \geq 0$, D is overwritten by the n diagonal elements of the upper triangular matrix U from the LU factorization of A .
- 5: $DU(*)$ – **double precision** array *Input/Output*
Note: the dimension of the array DU must be at least $\max(1, N - 1)$.
On entry: must contain the $(n - 1)$ superdiagonal elements of the matrix A .
On exit: if $IFAIL \geq 0$, DU is overwritten by the $(n - 1)$ elements of the first superdiagonal of U .
- 6: $DU2(N - 2)$ – **double precision** array *Output*
On exit: if $IFAIL \geq 0$, $DU2$ returns the $(n - 2)$ elements of the second superdiagonal of U .
- 7: $IPIV(N)$ – **INTEGER** array *Output*
On exit: if $IFAIL \geq 0$, the pivot indices that define the permutation matrix P ; at the i th step row i of the matrix was interchanged with row $IPIV(i)$. $IPIV(i)$ will always be either i or $(i + 1)$; $IPIV(i) = i$ indicates a row interchange was not required.
- 8: $B(LDB,*)$ – **double precision** array *Input/Output*
Note: the second dimension of the array B must be at least $\max(1, NRHS)$. To solve the equations $Ax = b$, where b is a single right-hand side, B may be supplied as a one-dimensional array with length $LDB = \max(1, N)$.
On entry: the n by r matrix of right-hand sides B .
On exit: if $IFAIL = 0$ or $N + 1$, the n by r solution matrix X .
- 9: LDB – **INTEGER** *Input*
On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F04BCF is called.
Constraint: $LDB \geq \max(1, N)$.
- 10: $RCOND$ – **double precision** *Output*
On exit: if $IFAIL \geq 0$, an estimate of the reciprocal of the condition number of the matrix A , computed as $RCOND = 1 / (\|A\|_1 \|A^{-1}\|_1)$.
- 11: $ERRBND$ – **double precision** *Output*
On exit: if $IFAIL = 0$ or $N + 1$, an estimate of the forward error bound for a computed solution $\hat{x}$, such that $\|\hat{x} - x\|_1 / \|x\|_1 \leq ERBND$, where $\hat{x}$ is a column of the computed solution returned in the array B and x is the corresponding column of the exact solution X . If $RCOND$ is less than **machine precision**, then $ERRBND$ is returned as unity.
- 12: $IFAIL$ – **INTEGER** *Input/Output*
On entry: $IFAIL$ must be set to 0, -1 or 1 . If you are unfamiliar with this parameter you should refer to Section 3.3 in the Essential Introduction for details.
On exit: $IFAIL = 0$ unless the routine detects an error (see Section 6).
For environments where it might be inappropriate to halt program execution when an error is detected, the value -1 or 1 is recommended. If the output of error messages is undesirable, then the value 1 is recommended. Otherwise, if you are not familiar with this parameter, the

recommended value is 0. **When the value -1 or 1 is used it is essential to test the value of IFAIL on exit.**

6 Error Indicators and Warnings

If on entry $IFAIL = 0$ or -1 , explanatory error messages are output on the current error message unit (as defined by X04AAF).

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

$IFAIL < 0$ and $IFAIL \neq -999$

If $IFAIL = -i$, the i th argument had an illegal value.

$IFAIL = -999$

Allocation of memory failed. The INTEGER allocatable memory required is N , and the **double precision** allocatable memory required is $2 \times N$. In this case the factorization and the solution X have been computed, but RCOND and ERRBND have not been computed.

$IFAIL > 0$ and $IFAIL \leq N$

If $IFAIL = i$, u_{ii} is exactly zero. The factorization has been completed, but the factor U is exactly singular, so the solution could not be computed.

$IFAIL = N + 1$

RCOND is less than **machine precision**, so that the matrix A is numerically singular. A solution to the equations $AX = B$ has nevertheless been computed.

7 Accuracy

The computed solution for a single right-hand side, $\hat{x}$, satisfies an equation of the form

$$(A + E)\hat{x} = b,$$

where

$$\|E\|_1 = O(\epsilon)\|A\|_1$$

and ϵ is the **machine precision**. An approximate error bound for the computed solution is given by

$$\frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_1}{\|x\|_1} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|E\|_1}{\|A\|_1},$$

where $\kappa(A) = \|A^{-1}\|_1\|A\|_1$, the condition number of A with respect to the solution of the linear equations. F04BCF uses the approximation $\|E\|_1 = \epsilon\|A\|_1$ to estimate ERRBND. See Section 4.4 of Anderson *et al.* (1999) for further details.

8 Further Comments

The total number of floating-point operations required to solve the equations $AX = B$ is proportional to nr . The condition number estimation typically requires between four and five solves and never more than eleven solves, following the factorization.

In practice the condition number estimator is very reliable, but it can underestimate the true condition number; see Section 15.3 of Higham (2002) for further details.

The complex analogue of F04BCF is F04CCF.

9 Example

This example solves the equations

$$AX = B,$$

where A is the tridiagonal matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3.0 & 2.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3.4 & 2.3 & -1.0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3.6 & -5.0 & 1.9 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 7.0 & -0.9 & 8.0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -6.0 & 7.1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 2.7 & 6.6 \\ -0.5 & 10.8 \\ 2.6 & -3.2 \\ 0.6 & -11.2 \\ 2.7 & 19.1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

An estimate of the condition number of A and an approximate error bound for the computed solutions are also printed.

9.1 Program Text

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*      F04BCF Example Program Text
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*      .. Parameters ..
      INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
      PARAMETER        (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
      INTEGER          NMAX, NRHSMX
      PARAMETER        (NMAX=8,NRHSMX=2)
      INTEGER          LDB
      PARAMETER        (LDB=NMAX)
*      .. Local Scalars ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION ERRBND, RCOND
      INTEGER          I, IERR, IFAIL, J, N, NRHS
*      .. Local Arrays ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION B(LDB,NRHSMX), D(NMAX), DL(NMAX-1), DU(NMAX-1),
+      DU2(NMAX-2)
      INTEGER          IPIV(NMAX)
*      .. External Subroutines ..
      EXTERNAL         F04BCF, X04CAF
*      .. Executable Statements ..
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F04BCF Example Program Results'
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
*      Skip heading in data file
      READ (NIN,*)
      READ (NIN,*) N, NRHS
      IF (N.LE.NMAX .AND. NRHS.LE.NRHSMX) THEN
*
*      Read A and B from data file
*
      READ (NIN,*) (DU(I),I=1,N-1)
      READ (NIN,*) (D(I),I=1,N)
      READ (NIN,*) (DL(I),I=1,N-1)
      READ (NIN,*) ((B(I,J),J=1,NRHS),I=1,N)
*
*      Solve the equations AX = B for X
*
      IFAIL = 1
      CALL F04BCF(N,NRHS,DL,D,DU,DU2,IPIV,B,LDB,RCOND,ERRBND,IFAIL)
*
      IF (IFAIL.EQ.0) THEN
*
*      Print solution, estimate of condition number and approximate
*      error bound
*
      IERR = 0
      CALL X04CAF('General',' ',N,NRHS,B,LDB,'Solution',IERR)
*
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Estimate of condition number'
      WRITE (NOUT,99999) 1.0D0/RCOND
      WRITE (NOUT,*)

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      WRITE (NOUT,*)
+      'Estimate of error bound for computed solutions'
      WRITE (NOUT,99999) ERRBND
      ELSE IF (IFAIL.EQ.N+1) THEN
*
*      Matrix A is numerically singular. Print estimate of
*      reciprocal of condition number and solution
*
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Estimate of reciprocal of condition number'
      WRITE (NOUT,99999) RCOND
*
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      IERR = 0
      CALL X04CAF('General',' ',N,NRHS,B,LDB,'Solution',IERR)
*
      ELSE IF (IFAIL.GT.0 .AND. IFAIL.LE.N) THEN
*
*      The upper triangular matrix U is exactly singular. Print
*      details of factorization
*
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Details of factorization'
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) ' Second super-diagonal of U'
      WRITE (NOUT,99998) (DU2(I),I=1,N-2)
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) ' First super-diagonal of U'
      WRITE (NOUT,99998) (DU(I),I=1,N-1)
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) ' Main diagonal of U'
      WRITE (NOUT,99998) (D(I),I=1,N)
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) ' Multipliers'
      WRITE (NOUT,99998) (DL(I),I=1,N-1)
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) ' Vector of interchanges'
      WRITE (NOUT,99997) (IPIV(I),I=1,N)
      ELSE
      WRITE (NOUT,99996) IFAIL
      END IF
      ELSE
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'NMAX and/or NRHSMX too small'
      END IF
*
99999 FORMAT (6X,1P,E9.1)
99998 FORMAT (1X,8F9.4)
99997 FORMAT (1X,8I9)
99996 FORMAT (1X,' ** F04BCF returned with IFAIL = ',I5)
      END

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9.2 Program Data

F04BCF Example Program Data

5	2				:Values of N and NRHS
	2.1	-1.0	1.9	8.0	:End of superdiagonal DU
3.0	2.3	-5.0	-0.9	7.1	:End of diagonal D
3.4	3.6	7.0	-6.0		:End of subdiagonal DL
	2.7	6.6			
-0.5	10.8				
	2.6	-3.2			
	0.6	-11.2			
	2.7	19.1			:End of matrix B

9.3 Program Results

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Solution

	1	2
1	-4.0000	5.0000
2	7.0000	-4.0000
3	3.0000	-3.0000
4	-4.0000	-2.0000
5	-3.0000	1.0000

Estimate of condition number
9.3E+01

Estimate of error bound for computed solutions
1.0E-14
