

NAG Library Routine Document

G02HFF

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

G02HFF calculates an estimate of the asymptotic variance-covariance matrix for the bounded influence regression estimates (M-estimates). It is intended for use with G02HDF.

2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE G02HFF(PSI, PSP, INDW, INDC, SIGMA, N, M, X, LDX, RS, WGT, C,
1          LDC, WK, IFAIL)
    INTEGER          INDW, INDC, N, M, LDX, LDC, IFAIL
    double precision PSI, PSP, SIGMA, X(LDX,M), RS(N), WGT(N), C(LDC,M),
1          WK(M*(N+M+1)+2*N)
    EXTERNAL         PSI, PSP

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3 Description

For a description of bounded influence regression see G02HDF. Let θ be the regression parameters and let C be the asymptotic variance-covariance matrix of $\hat{\theta}$. Then for Huber type regression

$$C = f_H (X^T X)^{-1} \hat{\sigma}^2,$$

where

$$f_H = \frac{1}{n-m} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \psi^2(r_i/\hat{\sigma})}{\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum \psi'(r_i/\hat{\sigma})\right)^2 \kappa^2}$$

$$\kappa^2 = 1 + \frac{m}{n} \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\psi'(r_i/\hat{\sigma}) - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi'(r_i/\hat{\sigma}) \right)^2}{\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi'(r_i/\hat{\sigma}) \right)^2},$$

see Huber (1981) and Marazzi (1987).

For Mallows and Schweppe type regressions, C is of the form

$$\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{n} S_1^{-1} S_2 S_1^{-1},$$

where $S_1 = \frac{1}{n} X^T D X$ and $S_2 = \frac{1}{n} X^T P X$.

D is a diagonal matrix such that the i th element approximates $E(\psi'(r_i/(\sigma w_i)))$ in the Schweppe case and $E(\psi'(r_i/\sigma) w_i)$ in the Mallows case.

P is a diagonal matrix such that the i th element approximates $E(\psi^2(r_i/(\sigma w_i)) w_i^2)$ in the Schweppe case and $E(\psi^2(r_i/\sigma) w_i^2)$ in the Mallows case.

Two approximations are available in G02HFF:

1. Average over the r_i

Schweppe	Mallows
$D_i = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \psi' \left(\frac{r_j}{\hat{\sigma} w_i} \right) \right) w_i$	$D_i = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \psi' \left(\frac{r_j}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \right) w_i$
$P_i = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \psi^2 \left(\frac{r_j}{\hat{\sigma} w_i} \right) \right) w_i^2$	$P_i = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \psi^2 \left(\frac{r_j}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \right) w_i^2$

2. Replace expected value by observed

Schweppe	Mallows
$D_i = \psi' \left(\frac{r_i}{\hat{\sigma} w_i} \right) w_i$	$D_i = \psi' \left(\frac{r_i}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) w_i$
$P_i = \psi^2 \left(\frac{r_i}{\hat{\sigma} w_i} \right) w_i^2$	$P_i = \psi^2 \left(\frac{r_i}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) w_i^2$

See Hampel *et al.* (1986) and Marazzi (1987).

In all cases $\hat{\sigma}$ is a robust estimate of σ .

G02HFF is based on routines in ROBETH; see Marazzi (1987).

4 References

Hampel F R, Ronchetti E M, Rousseeuw P J and Stahel W A (1986) *Robust Statistics. The Approach Based on Influence Functions* Wiley

Huber P J (1981) *Robust Statistics* Wiley

Marazzi A (1987) Subroutines for robust and bounded influence regression in ROBETH *Cah. Rech. Doc. IUMSP, No. 3 ROB 2* Institut Universitaire de Médecine Sociale et Préventive, Lausanne

5 Parameters

- 1: PSI – **double precision** FUNCTION, supplied by the user. *External Procedure*

PSI must return the value of the ψ function for a given value of its argument.

The specification of PSI is:

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double precision FUNCTION PSI(T)
double precision          T
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1: T – **double precision**

Input

On entry: the argument for which PSI must be evaluated.

PSI must be declared as EXTERNAL in the (sub)program from which G02HFF is called. Parameters denoted as *Input* must **not** be changed by this procedure.

- 2: PSP – **double precision** FUNCTION, supplied by the user. *External Procedure*

PSP must return the value of $\psi'(t) = \frac{d}{dt}\psi(t)$ for a given value of its argument.

The specification of PSP is:

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double precision FUNCTION PSP(T)
double precision          T
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| 1: | T – <i>double precision</i>
<i>On entry:</i> the argument for which PSP must be evaluated. | <i>Input</i> |
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- PSP must be declared as EXTERNAL in the (sub)program from which G02HFF is called. Parameters denoted as *Input* must **not** be changed by this procedure.
- 3: INDW – INTEGER *Input*
- On entry:* the type of regression for which the asymptotic variance-covariance matrix is to be calculated.
- INDW < 0
 Mallows type regression.
- INDW = 0
 Huber type regression.
- INDW > 0
 Schweppe type regression.
- 4: INDC – INTEGER *Input*
- On entry:* if INDW $\neq$ 0, INDC must specify the approximation to be used.
- If INDC = 1, averaging over residuals.
- If INDC $\neq$ 1, replacing expected by observed.
- If INDW = 0, INDC is not referenced.
- Constraint:* INDC = 1 or 0.
- 5: SIGMA – ***double precision*** *Input*
- On entry:* the value of $\hat{\sigma}$, as given by G02HDF.
- Constraint:* SIGMA > 0.
- 6: N – INTEGER *Input*
- On entry:* n , the number of observations.
- Constraint:* N > 1.
- 7: M – INTEGER *Input*
- On entry:* m , the number of independent variables.
- Constraint:* $1 \leq M < N$.
- 8: X(LDX,M) – ***double precision*** array *Input*
- On entry:* the values of the X matrix, i.e., the independent variables. $X(i, j)$ must contain the ij th element of X , for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.
- 9: LDX – INTEGER *Input*
- On entry:* the first dimension of the array X as declared in the (sub)program from which G02HFF is called.
- Constraint:* LDX $\geq$ N.
- 10: RS(N) – ***double precision*** array *Input*
- On entry:* the residuals from the bounded influence regression. These are given by G02HDF.

- 11: WGT(N) – *double precision* array *Input*
On entry: if INDW $\neq 0$, WGT must contain the vector of weights used by the bounded influence regression. These should be used with G02HDF.
 If INDW = 0, WGT is not referenced.
Constraint: if INDW $\neq 0$, $\text{WGT}(i) \geq 0.0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, Ai$.
- 12: C(LDC,M) – *double precision* array *Output*
On exit: the estimate of the variance-covariance matrix.
- 13: LDC – INTEGER *Input*
On entry: the first dimension of the array C as declared in the (sub)program from which G02HFF is called.
Constraint: $\text{LDC} \geq M$.
- 14: WK($M \times (N + M + 1) + 2 \times N$) – *double precision* array *Output*
On exit: if INDW $\neq 0$, WK(i), for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, will contain the diagonal elements of the matrix D and WK(i), for $i = n + 1, n + 2, \dots, 2n$, will contain the diagonal elements of matrix P .
 The rest of the array is used as workspace.
- 15: 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 = 1

On entry, $N \leq 1$,
 or $M < 1$,
 or $N \leq M$,
 or $\text{LDC} < M$,
 or $\text{LDX} < N$.

IFAIL = 2

On entry, $\text{SIGMA} \leq 0.0$,
 or INDW $\neq 0$ and $\text{WGT}(i) < 0.0$ for some $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

IFAIL = 3

If INDW = 0 then the matrix $X^T X$ is either not positive-definite, possibly due to rounding errors, or is ill-conditioned.

If $\text{INDW} \neq 0$ then the matrix S_1 is singular or almost singular. This may be due to many elements of D being zero.

IFAIL = 4

Either the value of $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi' \left(\frac{r_i}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) = 0$,

or $\kappa = 0$,

or $\sum_{i=1}^n \psi^2 \left(\frac{r_i}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) = 0$.

In this situation G02HFF returns C as $(X^T X)^{-1}$.

7 Accuracy

In general, the accuracy of the variance-covariance matrix will depend primarily on the accuracy of the results from G02HDF.

8 Further Comments

G02HFF is only for situations in which X has full column rank.

Care has to be taken in the choice of the ψ function since if $\psi'(t) = 0$ for too wide a range then either the value of f_H will not exist or too many values of D_i will be zero and it will not be possible to calculate C .

9 Example

The asymptotic variance-covariance matrix is calculated for a Schweppe type regression. The values of X , $\hat{\sigma}$ and the residuals and weights are read in. The averaging over residuals approximation is used.

9.1 Program Text

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*      G02HFF Example Program Text
*      Mark 14 Revised. NAG Copyright 1989.
*      .. Parameters ..
      INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
      PARAMETER        (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
      INTEGER          NMAX, MMAX, LDX, LDC
      PARAMETER        (NMAX=5,MMAX=3,LDX=NMAX,LDC=MMAX)
*      .. Local Scalars ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION SIGMA
      INTEGER          I, IFAIL, INDC, INDW, J, K, M, N
*      .. Local Arrays ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION C(LDC,MMAX), RS(NMAX), WGT(NMAX),
+      WK(MMAX*(NMAX+MMAX+1)+2*NMAX), X(LDX,MMAX)
*      .. External Functions ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION PSI, PSP
      EXTERNAL          PSI, PSP
*      .. External Subroutines ..
      EXTERNAL          G02HFF
*      .. Executable Statements ..
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'G02HFF Example Program Results'
*      Skip heading in data file
      READ (NIN,*)
*      Read in the dimensions of X
      READ (NIN,*) N, M
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      IF (N.GT.0 .AND. N.LE.NMAX .AND. M.GT.0 .AND. M.LE.MMAX) THEN
*      Read in the X matrix
      DO 20 I = 1, N
          READ (NIN,*) (X(I,J),J=1,M)
20      CONTINUE
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*      Read in SIGMA
      READ (NIN,*) SIGMA
*      Read in weights and residuals
      DO 40 I = 1, N
        READ (NIN,*) WGT(I), RS(I)
40     CONTINUE
*      Set parameters for Schweppe type regression
      INDW = 1
      INDC = 1
      IFAIL = 1
*
      CALL G02HFF(PSI,PSP,INDW,INDC,SIGMA,N,M,X,LDX,RS,WGT,C,LDC,WK,
+              IFAIL)
*
      IF (IFAIL.EQ.0) THEN
        WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Covariance matrix'
        DO 60 J = 1, M
          WRITE (NOUT,99999) (C(J,K),K=1,M)
60       CONTINUE
      ELSE
        WRITE (NOUT,*)
        WRITE (NOUT,99998) ' ** G02HFF returned with IFAIL = ',
+              IFAIL
      END IF
      END IF
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,6F10.4)
99998 FORMAT (1X,A,I5)
      END
*
      DOUBLE PRECISION FUNCTION PSI(T)
*      .. Parameters ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION C
      PARAMETER      (C=1.5D0)
*      .. Scalar Arguments ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION T
*      .. Intrinsic Functions ..
      INTRINSIC      ABS
*      .. Executable Statements ..
      IF (T.LE.-C) THEN
        PSI = -C
      ELSE IF (ABS(T).LT.C) THEN
        PSI = T
      ELSE
        PSI = C
      END IF
      RETURN
      END
*
      DOUBLE PRECISION FUNCTION PSP(T)
*      .. Parameters ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION C
      PARAMETER      (C=1.5D0)
*      .. Scalar Arguments ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION T
*      .. Intrinsic Functions ..
      INTRINSIC      ABS
*      .. Executable Statements ..
      PSP = 0.0D0
      IF (ABS(T).LT.C) PSP = 1.0D0
      RETURN
      END

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9.2 Program Data

G02HFF Example Program Data

5	3	:	N	M
1.0	-1.0	-1.0		
1.0	-1.0	1.0		
1.0	1.0	-1.0		

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1.0  1.0  1.0
1.0  0.0  3.0      : End of X1 X2 and X3 values
20.7783           : SIGMA
0.4039      0.5643
0.5012     -1.1286
0.4039      0.5643
0.5012     -1.1286
0.3862      1.1286  : End of weights and residuals, WGT and RS
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9.3 Program Results

G02HFF Example Program Results

```
Covariance matrix
  0.2070    0.0000   -0.0478
  0.0000    0.2229    0.0000
 -0.0478    0.0000    0.0796
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