

## nag\_sparse\_sym\_sol (f11jec)

### 1. Purpose

**nag\_sparse\_sym\_sol (f11jec)** solves a real sparse symmetric system of linear equations, represented in symmetric coordinate storage format, using a conjugate gradient or Lanczos method, without preconditioning, with Jacobi or with SSOR preconditioning.

### 2. Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagf11.h>

void nag_sparse_sym_sol(Nag_SparseSym_Method method,
                       Nag_SparseSym_PrecType precon, Integer n, Integer nnz,
                       double a[], Integer irow[], Integer icol[],
                       double omega, double b[], double tol,
                       Integer maxitn, double x[], double *rnorm,
                       Integer *itn, Nag_Sparse_Comm *comm, NagError *fail)
```

### 3. Description

This routine solves a real sparse symmetric linear system of equations:

$$Ax = b,$$

using a preconditioned conjugate gradient method (see Barrett *et al.* (1994)), or a preconditioned Lanczos method based on the algorithm SYMMLQ (Paige and Saunders (1975)). The conjugate gradient method is more efficient if  $A$  is positive-definite, but may fail to converge for indefinite matrices. In this case the Lanczos method should be used instead. For further details see Barrett *et al.* (1994).

The routine allows the following choices for the preconditioner:

- no preconditioning;
- Jacobi preconditioning (see Young (1971));
- symmetric successive-over-relaxation (SSOR) preconditioning (see Young (1971)).

For incomplete Cholesky (IC) preconditioning see `nag_sparse_sym_chol_sol (f11jcc)`.

The matrix  $A$  is represented in symmetric coordinate storage (SCS) format (see Section 2.1.2 of the Chapter Introduction) in the arrays **a**, **irow** and **icol**. The array **a** holds the non-zero entries in the lower triangular part of the matrix, while **irow** and **icol** hold the corresponding row and column indices.

### 4. Parameters

#### method

Input: specifies the iterative method to be used. The possible choices are:

- if **method** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_CG** then the conjugate gradient method is used;
- if **method** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_Lanczos** then the Lanczos method (SYMMLQ) is used.

Constraint: **method** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_CG** or **Nag\_SparseSym\_Lanczos**.

#### precon

Input: specifies the type of preconditioning to be used. The possible choices are :

- if **precon** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_NoPrec** then no preconditioning is used;
- if **precon** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_SSORPrec** then symmetric successive-over-relaxation is used;
- if **precon** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_JacPrec** then Jacobi preconditioning is used.

Constraint: **precon** = **Nag\_SparseSym\_NoPrec**, **Nag\_SparseSym\_SSORPrec** or **Nag\_SparseSym\_JacPrec**.

- n**  
Input: the order of the matrix  $A$ .  
Constraint:  $n \geq 1$ .
- nnz**  
Input: the number of non-zero elements in the lower triangular part of the matrix  $A$ .  
Constraint:  $1 \leq \text{nnz} \leq n \times (n+1)/2$ .
- a[nnz]**  
Input: the non-zero elements of the lower triangular part of the matrix  $A$ , ordered by increasing row index, and by increasing column index within each row. Multiple entries for the same row and column indices are not permitted. The routine nag\_sparse\_sym\_sort (f11zbc) may be used to order the elements in this way.
- irow[nnz]**  
**icol[nnz]**  
Input: the row and column indices of the non-zero elements supplied in  $A$ .  
Constraint: **irow** and **icol** must satisfy the following constraints (which may be imposed by a call to nag\_sparse\_sym\_sort (f11zbc)) :  

$$1 \leq \text{irow}[i] \leq n, \text{ and } 1 \leq \text{icol}[i] \leq \text{irow}[i], \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, \text{nnz}-1.$$

$$\text{irow}[i-1] < \text{irow}[i], \text{ or}$$

$$\text{irow}[i-1] = \text{irow}[i] \text{ and } \text{icol}[i-1] < \text{icol}[i], \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, \text{nnz}-1.$$
- omega**  
Input: if **precon** = Nag\_SparseSym\_SSORPrec, **omega** is the relaxation parameter  $\omega$  to be used in the SSOR method. Otherwise **omega** need not be initialised.  
Constraint:  $0.0 \leq \text{omega} \leq 2.0$ .
- b[n]**  
Input: the right-hand side vector  $b$ .
- tol**  
Input: the required tolerance. Let  $x_k$  denote the approximate solution at iteration  $k$ , and  $r_k$  the corresponding residual. The algorithm is considered to have converged at iteration  $k$  if:  

$$\|r_k\|_\infty \leq \tau \times (\|b\|_\infty + \|A\|_\infty \|x_k\|_\infty).$$
If **tol**  $\leq 0.0$ ,  $\tau = \max(\sqrt{\epsilon}, \sqrt{n}\epsilon)$  is used, where  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*. Otherwise  $\tau = \max(\text{tol}, 10\epsilon, \sqrt{n}\epsilon)$  is used.  
Constraint: **tol**  $< 1.0$ .
- maxitn**  
Input: the maximum number of iterations allowed.  
Constraint: **maxitn**  $\geq 1$ .
- x[n]**  
Input: an initial approximation of the solution vector  $x$ .  
Output: an improved approximation to the solution vector  $x$ .
- rnorm**  
Input: the final value of the residual norm  $\|r_k\|_\infty$ , where  $k$  is the output value of **itn**.
- itn**  
Output: the number of iterations carried out.
- comm**  
Input/Output: a pointer to a structure of type Nag\_Sparse\_Comm whose members are used by the iterative solver.
- fail**  
The NAG error parameter, see the Essential Introduction to the NAG C Library.

## 5. Error Indications and Warnings

### NE\_BAD\_PARAM

On entry, parameter **method** had an illegal value.

On entry, parameter **precon** had an illegal value.

### NE\_REAL\_ARG\_GE

On entry, **tol** must not be greater than or equal to 1.0: **tol** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

### NE\_INT\_ARG\_LT

On entry, **n** must not be less than 1: **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

On entry, **maxitn** must not be less than 1: **maxitn** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

### NE\_REAL

On entry, **omega** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

Constraint:  $0.0 \leq \mathbf{omega} \leq 2.0$ .

### NE\_INT\_2

On entry, **nnz** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

Constraint:  $1 \leq \mathbf{nnz} \leq \mathbf{n} \times (\mathbf{n}+1)/2$ .

### NE\_SYMM\_MATRIX\_DUP

A non-zero element has been supplied which does not lie in the lower triangular part of the matrix  $A$ , is out of order, or has duplicate row and column indices, i.e., one or more of the following constraints has been violated:

$$1 \leq \mathbf{irow}[i] \leq \mathbf{n} \text{ and } 1 \leq \mathbf{icol}[i] \leq \mathbf{irow}[i], \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, \mathbf{nnz}-1$$

$$\mathbf{irow}[i-1] < \mathbf{irow}[i], \text{ or}$$

$$\mathbf{irow}[i-1] = \mathbf{irow}[i] \text{ and } \mathbf{icol}[i-1] < \mathbf{icol}[i], \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, \mathbf{nnz}-1.$$

Call `nag_sparse_sym_sort` (f11zbc) to reorder and sum or remove duplicates.

### NE\_COEFF\_NOT\_POS\_DEF

The matrix of coefficients appears not to be positive-definite (conjugate gradient method only).

### NE\_ZERO\_DIAGONAL\_ELEM

The matrix  $A$  has a zero diagonal element. Jacobi and SSOR preconditioners are not appropriate for this problem.

### NE\_PRECOND\_NOT\_POS\_DEF

The preconditioner appears not to be positive-definite.

### NE\_ACC\_LIMIT

The required accuracy could not be obtained. However, a reasonable accuracy has been obtained and further iterations cannot improve the result.

### NE\_NOT\_REQ\_ACC

The required accuracy has not been obtained in **maxitn** iterations.

### NE\_INTERNAL\_ERROR

An internal error has occurred in this function. Check the function call and any array sizes. If the call is correct then please consult NAG for assistance.

### NE\_ALLOC\_FAIL

Memory allocation failed.

## 6. Further Comments

The time taken by `nag_sparse_sym_sol` (f11jec) for each iteration is roughly proportional to **nnz**. One iteration with the Lanczos method (SYMMLQ) requires a slightly larger number of operations than one iteration with the conjugate gradient method.

The number of iterations required to achieve a prescribed accuracy cannot be easily determined a priori, as it can depend dramatically on the conditioning and spectrum of the preconditioned matrix of the coefficients  $\bar{A} = M^{-1}A$ .

### 6.1. Accuracy

On successful termination, the final residual  $r_k = b - Ax_k$ , where  $k = \mathbf{itn}$ , satisfies the termination criterion

$$\|r_k\|_\infty \leq \tau \times (\|b\|_\infty + \|A\|_\infty \|x_k\|_\infty).$$

The value of the final residual norm is returned in **rnorm**.

### 6.2. References

Barrett R, Berry M, Chan T F, Demmel J, Donato J, Dongarra J, Eijkhout V, Pozo R, Romine C and van der Vorst H (1994) *Templates for the Solution of Linear Systems: Building Blocks for Iterative Methods* SIAM, Philadelphia.

Paige C C and Saunders M A (1975) Solution of sparse indefinite systems of linear equations *SIAM J. Numer. Anal.* **12** 617–629.

Young D (1971) *Iterative Solution of Large Linear Systems* Academic Press, New York.

### 7. See Also

nag\_sparse\_sym\_chol\_sol (f11jcc)

nag\_sparse\_sym\_sort (f11zbc)

### 8. Example

This example program solves a symmetric positive-definite system of equations using the conjugate gradient method, with SSOR preconditioning.

#### 8.1. Program Text

```
/* nag_sparse_sym_sol (f11jec) Example Program.
 *
 * Copyright 1998 Numerical Algorithms Group.
 *
 * Mark 5, 1998.
 *
 */

#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nag_string.h>
#include <nagf11.h>

/* f11jec Example Program Text */

main()
{
    double *a=0, *b=0, *x=0;
    double omega;
    double rnorm;
    double tol;

    Integer *icol, *irow;
    Integer i, n, maxitn, itn, nnz;

    Nag_SparseSym_Method method;
    Nag_SparseSym_PrecType precon;
    Nag_Sparse_Comm comm;

    char char_enum[20];

    Vprintf("f11jec Example Program Results\n");

    /* Skip heading in data file */
    Vscanf("%*[\n]");
}
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/* Read algorithmic parameters */
Vscanf("%ld%*[\n]", &n);
Vscanf("%ld%*[\n]", &nnz);

Vscanf("%s", char_enum);
if (!strcmp(char_enum, "CG"))
    method = Nag_SparseSym_CG;
else if (!strcmp(char_enum, "Lanczos"))
    method = Nag_SparseSym_Lanczos;
else
{
    Vprintf("Unrecognised string for method enum representation.\n");
    exit (EXIT_FAILURE);
}

Vscanf("%s%*[\n]", char_enum);
if (!strcmp(char_enum, "Prec"))
    precon = Nag_SparseSym_Prec;
else if (!strcmp(char_enum, "NoPrec"))
    precon = Nag_SparseSym_NoPrec;
else if (!strcmp(char_enum, "SSORPrec"))
    precon = Nag_SparseSym_SSORPrec;
else if (!strcmp(char_enum, "JacPrec"))
    precon = Nag_SparseSym_JacPrec;
else
{
    Vprintf("Unrecognised string for precon enum representation.\n");
    exit (EXIT_FAILURE);
}

Vscanf("%lf%*[\n]", &omega);
Vscanf("%lf%ld%*[\n]", &tol, &maxitn);

x = NAG_ALLOC(n, double);
b = NAG_ALLOC(n, double);
a = NAG_ALLOC(nnz, double);
irow = NAG_ALLOC(nnz, Integer);
icol = NAG_ALLOC(nnz, Integer);
if (!irow || !icol || !a || !x || !b)
{
    Vprintf("Allocation failure\n");
    exit (EXIT_FAILURE);
}

/* Read the matrix a */
for (i = 1; i <= nnz; ++i)
    Vscanf("%lf%ld%ld%*[\n]", &a[i-1], &irow[i-1], &icol[i-1]);

/* Read right-hand side vector b and initial approximate solution x */
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    Vscanf("%lf", &b[i-1]);
Vscanf("%*[\n]");

for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    Vscanf("%lf", &x[i-1]);
Vscanf("%*[\n]");

/* Solve Ax = b */
f11jec(method, precon, n, nnz, a, irow, icol, omega, b, tol,
        maxitn, x, &rnorm, &itn, &comm, NAGERR_DEFAULT);

Vprintf(" %s%10ld%s\n", "Converged in", itn, " iterations");
Vprintf(" %s%16.3e\n", "Final residual norm =", rnorm);

/* Output x */
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    Vprintf(" %16.4e\n", x[i-1]);
NAG_FREE(irow);
NAG_FREE(icol);

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    NAG_FREE(a);
    NAG_FREE(x);
    NAG_FREE(b);
    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}

```

## 8.2. Program Data

```

f11jec Example Program Data
7          n
16         nnz
CG SSORPrec method, precon
1.1        omega
1.0E-6 100 tol, maxitn
4.  1    1
1.  2    1
5.  2    2
2.  3    3
2.  4    2
3.  4    4
-1. 5    1
1.  5    4
4.  5    5
1.  6    2
-2. 6    5
3.  6    6
2.  7    1
-1. 7    2
-2. 7    3
5.  7    7      a[i-1], irow[i-1], icol[i-1], i=1,...,nnz
15. 18. -8. 21.
11. 10. 29.      b[i-1], i=1,...,n
0.  0.  0.  0.
0.  0.  0.      x[i-1], i=1,...,n

```

## 8.3. Program Results

```

f11jec Example Program Results
Converged in      6 iterations
Final residual norm =      5.026e-06
1.0000e+00
2.0000e+00
3.0000e+00
4.0000e+00
5.0000e+00
6.0000e+00
7.0000e+00

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