

# NAG C Library Function Document

## nag\_dtrrfs (f07thc)

### 1 Purpose

nag\_dtrrfs (f07thc) returns error bounds for the solution of a real triangular system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides,  $AX = B$  or  $A^T X = B$ .

### 2 Specification

```
void nag_dtrrfs (Nag_OrderType order, Nag_UptoType uplo, Nag_TransType trans,
    Nag_DiagType diag, Integer n, Integer nrhs, const double a[], Integer pda,
    const double b[], Integer pdb, const double x[], Integer pdx, double ferr[],
    double berr[], NagError *fail)
```

### 3 Description

nag\_dtrrfs (f07thc) returns the backward errors and estimated bounds on the forward errors for the solution of a real triangular system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides  $AX = B$  or  $A^T X = B$ . The function handles each right-hand side vector (stored as a column of the matrix  $B$ ) independently, so we describe the function of nag\_dtrrfs (f07thc) in terms of a single right-hand side  $b$  and solution  $x$ .

Given a computed solution  $x$ , the function computes the *component-wise backward error*  $\beta$ . This is the size of the smallest relative perturbation in each element of  $A$  and  $b$  such that  $x$  is the exact solution of a perturbed system

$$(A + \delta A)x = b + \delta b$$

$$|\delta a_{ij}| \leq \beta |a_{ij}| \quad \text{and} \quad |\delta b_i| \leq \beta |b_i|.$$

Then the function estimates a bound for the *component-wise forward error* in the computed solution, defined by:

$$\max_i |x_i - \hat{x}_i| / \max_i |x_i|$$

where  $\hat{x}$  is the true solution.

For details of the method, see the f07 Chapter Introduction.

### 4 References

Golub G H and Van Loan C F (1996) *Matrix Computations* (3rd Edition) Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore

### 5 Parameters

1: **order** – Nag\_OrderType *Input*

*On entry:* the **order** parameter specifies the two-dimensional storage scheme being used, i.e., row-major ordering or column-major ordering. C language defined storage is specified by **order** = Nag\_RowMajor. See Section 2.2.1.4 of the Essential Introduction for a more detailed explanation of the use of this parameter.

*Constraint:* **order** = Nag\_RowMajor or Nag\_ColMajor.

2: **uplo** – Nag\_UptoType *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether  $A$  is upper or lower triangular as follows:

if **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper**, then  $A$  is upper triangular;  
 if **uplo** = **Nag\_Lower**, then  $A$  is lower triangular.

*Constraint:* **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper** or **Nag\_Lower**.

3: **trans** – Nag\_TransType *Input*

*On entry:* indicates the form of the equations as follows:

if **trans** = **Nag\_NoTrans**, then the equations are of the form  $AX = B$ ;  
 if **trans** = **Nag\_Trans** or **Nag\_ConjTrans**, then the equations are of the form  $A^T X = B$ .

*Constraint:* **trans** = **Nag\_NoTrans**, **Nag\_Trans** or **Nag\_ConjTrans**.

4: **diag** – Nag\_DiagType *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether  $A$  is a non-unit or unit triangular matrix as follows:

if **diag** = **Nag\_NonUnitDiag**,  $A$  is a non-unit triangular matrix;  
 if **diag** = **Nag\_UnitDiag**,  $A$  is a unit triangular matrix; the diagonal elements are not referenced and are assumed to be 1.

*Constraint:* **diag** = **Nag\_NonUnitDiag** or **Nag\_UnitDiag**.

5: **n** – Integer *Input*

*On entry:*  $n$ , the order of the matrix  $A$ .

*Constraint:* **n**  $\geq 0$ .

6: **nrhs** – Integer *Input*

*On entry:*  $r$ , the number of right-hand sides.

*Constraint:* **nrhs**  $\geq 0$ .

7: **a[dim]** – const double *Input*

**Note:** the dimension,  $dim$ , of the array **a** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{pda} \times \mathbf{n})$ .

*On entry:* the  $n$  by  $n$  triangular matrix  $A$ . If **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper**,  $A$  is upper triangular and the elements of the array below the diagonal are not referenced; if **uplo** = **Nag\_Lower**,  $A$  is lower triangular and the elements of the array above the diagonal are not referenced. If **diag** = **Nag\_UnitDiag**, the diagonal elements of  $A$  are not referenced, but are assumed to be 1.

8: **pda** – Integer *Input*

*On entry:* the stride separating row or column elements (depending on the value of **order**) of the matrix  $A$  in the array **a**.

*Constraint:* **pda**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ .

9: **b[dim]** – const double *Input*

**Note:** the dimension,  $dim$ , of the array **b** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{pdb} \times \mathbf{nrhs})$  when **order** = **Nag\_ColMajor** and at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{pdb} \times \mathbf{n})$  when **order** = **Nag\_RowMajor**.

If **order** = **Nag\_ColMajor**, the  $(i, j)$ th element of the matrix  $B$  is stored in  $\mathbf{b}[(j - 1) \times \mathbf{pdb} + i - 1]$  and if **order** = **Nag\_RowMajor**, the  $(i, j)$ th element of the matrix  $B$  is stored in  $\mathbf{b}[(i - 1) \times \mathbf{pdb} + j - 1]$ .

*On entry:* the  $n$  by  $r$  right-hand side matrix  $B$ .

10: **pdb** – Integer *Input*

*On entry:* the stride separating matrix row or column elements (depending on the value of **order**) in the array **b**.

*Constraints:*

if **order** = Nag\_ColMajor, **pdb**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ ;  
 if **order** = Nag\_RowMajor, **pdb**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .

11: **x**[*dim*] – const double

*Input*

**Note:** the dimension, *dim*, of the array **x** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{pdx} \times \mathbf{nrhs})$  when **order** = Nag\_ColMajor and at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{pdx} \times \mathbf{n})$  when **order** = Nag\_RowMajor.

If **order** = Nag\_ColMajor, the (*i*, *j*)th element of the matrix *X* is stored in **x**[ $(j - 1) \times \mathbf{pdx} + i - 1$ ] and if **order** = Nag\_RowMajor, the (*i*, *j*)th element of the matrix *X* is stored in **x**[ $(i - 1) \times \mathbf{pdx} + j - 1$ ].

*On entry:* the *n* by *r* solution matrix *X*, as returned by nag\_dtrtrs (f07tec).

12: **pdx** – Integer

*Input*

*On entry:* the stride separating matrix row or column elements (depending on the value of **order**) in the array **x**.

*Constraints:*

if **order** = Nag\_ColMajor, **pdx**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ ;  
 if **order** = Nag\_RowMajor, **pdx**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .

13: **ferr**[*dim*] – double

*Output*

**Note:** the dimension, *dim*, of the array **ferr** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .

*On exit:* **ferr**[*j* – 1] contains an estimated error bound for the *j*th solution vector, that is, the *j*th column of *X*, for *j* = 1, 2, …, *r*.

14: **berr**[*dim*] – double

*Output*

**Note:** the dimension, *dim*, of the array **berr** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .

*On exit:* **berr**[*j* – 1] contains the component-wise backward error bound  $\beta$  for the *j*th solution vector, that is, the *j*th column of *X*, for *j* = 1, 2, …, *r*.

15: **fail** – NagError \*

*Output*

The NAG error parameter (see the Essential Introduction).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

### NE\_INT

On entry, **n** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ .

Constraint: **n**  $\geq 0$ .

On entry, **nrhs** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ .

Constraint: **nrhs**  $\geq 0$ .

On entry, **pda** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ .

Constraint: **pda** > 0.

On entry, **pdb** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ .

Constraint: **pdb** > 0.

On entry, **pdx** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ .

Constraint: **pdx** > 0.

### NE\_INT\_2

On entry, **pda** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ , **n** =  $\langle \text{value} \rangle$ .

Constraint: **pda**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ .

On entry, **pdb** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: **pdb**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ .

On entry, **pdb** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **nrhs** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: **pdb**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .

On entry, **pdx** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: **pdx**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ .

On entry, **pdx** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **nrhs** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: **pdx**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .

## NE\_ALLOC\_FAIL

Memory allocation failed.

## NE\_BAD\_PARAM

On entry, parameter  $\langle value \rangle$  had an illegal value.

## 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.

## 7 Accuracy

The bounds returned in **ferr** are not rigorous, because they are estimated, not computed exactly; but in practice they almost always overestimate the actual error.

## 8 Further Comments

A call to nag\_dtrrfs (f07thc) involves, for each right-hand side, solving a number of systems of linear equations of the form  $Ax = b$  or  $A^T x = b$ ; the number is usually 4 or 5 and never more than 11. Each solution involves approximately  $n^2$  floating-point operations.

The complex analogue of this function is nag\_ztrrfs (f07tvc).

## 9 Example

To solve the system of equations  $AX = B$  and to compute forward and backward error bounds, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4.30 & 0.00 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ -3.96 & -4.87 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ 0.40 & 0.31 & -8.02 & 0.00 \\ -0.27 & 0.07 & -5.95 & 0.12 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -12.90 & -21.50 \\ 16.75 & 14.93 \\ -17.55 & 6.33 \\ -11.04 & 8.09 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 9.1 Program Text

```
/* nag_dtrrfs (f07thc) Example Program.
*
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* Mark 7, 2001.
*/
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nagf07.h>
#include <nagx04.h>

int main(void)
{
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/* Scalars */
Integer i, j, n, nrhs, berr_len, ferr_len;
Integer pda, pdb, pdx;
Integer exit_status=0;
Nag_UptoType uplo_enum;

NagError fail;
Nag_OrderType order;
/* Arrays */
char uplo[2];
double *a=0, *b=0, *berr=0, *ferr=0, *x=0;

#ifndef NAG_COLUMN_MAJOR
#define A(I,J) a[(J-1)*pda + I - 1]
#define B(I,J) b[(J-1)*pdb + I - 1]
#define X(I,J) x[(J-1)*pdx + I - 1]
    order = Nag_ColMajor;
#else
#define A(I,J) a[(I-1)*pda + J - 1]
#define B(I,J) b[(I-1)*pdb + J - 1]
#define X(I,J) x[(I-1)*pdx + J - 1]
    order = Nag_RowMajor;
#endif

INIT_FAIL(fail);
Vprintf("f07thc Example Program Results\n\n");

/* Skip heading in data file */
Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
Vscanf("%ld%ld%*[^\n] ", &n, &nrhs);
berr_len = nrhs;
ferr_len = nrhs;
#ifndef NAG_COLUMN_MAJOR
    pda = n;
    pdb = n;
    pdx = n;
#else
    pda = n;
    pdb = nrhs;
    pdx = nrhs;
#endif

/* Allocate memory */
if ( !(a = NAG_ALLOC(n * n, double)) ||
    !(b = NAG_ALLOC(n * nrhs, double)) ||
    !(berr = NAG_ALLOC(berr_len, double)) ||
    !(ferr = NAG_ALLOC(ferr_len, double)) ||
    !(x = NAG_ALLOC(n * nrhs, double)) )
{
    Vprintf("Allocation failure\n");
    exit_status = -1;
    goto END;
}

/* Read A and B from data file, and copy B to X */
Vscanf(' ', %ls '%*[^\n] ', uplo);
if (*(unsigned char *)uplo == 'L')
    uplo_enum = Nag_Lower;
else if (*(unsigned char *)uplo == 'U')
    uplo_enum = Nag_Upper;
else
{
    Vprintf("Unrecognised character for Nag_UptoType type\n");
    exit_status = -1;
    goto END;
}
if (uplo_enum == Nag_Upper)
{
    for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    {
        for (j = 1; j <= n; ++j)
            a[i*n+j] = b[i*n+j];
    }
}

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        for (j = i; j <= n; ++j)
            Vscanf("%lf", &A(i,j));
    }
    Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
}
else
{
    for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    {
        for (j = 1; j <= i; ++j)
            Vscanf("%lf", &A(i,j));
    }
    Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
}
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
{
    for (j = 1; j <= nrhs; ++j)
        Vscanf("%lf", &B(i,j));
}
Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
{
    for (j = 1; j <= nrhs; ++j)
        X(i,j) = B(i,j);
}

/* Compute solution in the array X */
f07tec(order, uplo_enum, Nag_NoTrans, Nag_NonUnitDiag, n,
       nrhs, a, pda, x, pdx, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
    Vprintf("Error from f07tec.\n%s\n", fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}

/* Compute backward errors and estimated bounds on the */
/* forward errors */

f07thc(order, uplo_enum, Nag_NoTrans, Nag_NonUnitDiag, n,
       nrhs, a, pda, b, pdb, x, pdx, ferr, berr, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
    Vprintf("Error from f07thc.\n%s\n", fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}

/* Print solution */

Vprintf("\n");
x04cac(order, Nag_GeneralMatrix, Nag_NonUnitDiag, n, nrhs,
        x, pdx, "Solution(s)", 0, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
    Vprintf("Error from x04cac.\n%s\n", fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}
Vprintf("\nBackward errors (machine-dependent)\n");

for (j = 1; j <= nrhs; ++j)
    Vprintf("%11.1e%s", berr[j-1], j%7==0 ?"\n":" ");
Vprintf("\nEstimated forward error bounds "
       "(machine-dependent)\n");
for (j = 1; j <= nrhs; ++j)
    Vprintf("%11.1e%s", ferr[j-1], j%7==0 ?"\n":" ");
Vprintf("\n");
END:
if (a) NAG_FREE(a);
if (b) NAG_FREE(b);

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    if (berr) NAG_FREE(berr);
    if (ferr) NAG_FREE(ferr);
    if (x) NAG_FREE(x);

    return exit_status;
}

```

## 9.2 Program Data

```

f07thc Example Program Data
 4 2                                :Values of N and NRHS
 'L'                                :Value of UPLO
 4.30
 -3.96  -4.87
  0.40   0.31  -8.02
 -0.27   0.07  -5.95   0.12  :End of matrix A
-12.90  -21.50
 16.75  14.93
-17.55   6.33
-11.04   8.09                      :End of matrix B

```

## 9.3 Program Results

f07thc Example Program Results

Solution(s)	
	1                    2
1	-3.0000      -5.0000
2	-1.0000      1.0000
3	2.0000      -1.0000
4	1.0000      6.0000

Backward errors (machine-dependent)

6.9e-17      0.0e+00

Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)

8.3e-14      2.6e-14

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