

# NAG C Library Function Document

## nag\_dtbrfs (f07vhc)

### 1 Purpose

nag\_dtbrfs (f07vhc) returns error bounds for the solution of a real triangular band system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides,  $AX = B$  or  $A^T X = B$ .

### 2 Specification

```
void nag_dtbrfs (Nag_OrderType order, Nag_UploType uplo, Nag_TransType trans,
                 Nag_DiagType diag, Integer n, Integer kd, Integer nrhs, const double ab[],
                 Integer pdab, const double b[], Integer pdb, const double x[], Integer pdx,
                 double ferr[], double berr[], NagError *fail)
```

### 3 Description

nag\_dtbrfs (f07vhc) returns the backward errors and estimated bounds on the forward errors for the solution of a real triangular band 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\_dtbrfs (f07vhc) 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\_UploType *Input*

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

if **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper**,  $A$  is upper triangular;

if **uplo** = **Nag\_Lower**,  $A$  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**, the equations are of the form  $AX = B$ ;

if **trans** = **Nag\_Trans** or **Nag\_ConjTrans**, 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: **kd** – Integer *Input*

*On entry:*  $k$ , the number of super-diagonals of the matrix  $A$  if **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper** or the number of sub-diagonals if **uplo** = **Nag\_Lower**.

*Constraint:*  $kd \geq 0$ .

7: **nrhs** – Integer *Input*

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

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

8: **ab**[*dim*] – const double *Input*

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

*On entry:* the  $n$  by  $n$  triangular matrix  $A$ . This is stored as a notional two-dimensional array with row elements or column elements stored contiguously. The storage of elements  $a_{ij}$  depends on the **order** and **uplo** parameters as follows:

if **order** = **Nag\_ColMajor** and **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper**,  
 $a_{ij}$  is stored in **ab**[ $k + i - j + (j - 1) \times \mathbf{pdab}$ ], for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  
 $j = i, \dots, \min(n, i + k)$ ;

if **order** = **Nag\_ColMajor** and **uplo** = **Nag\_Lower**,  
 $a_{ij}$  is stored in **ab**[ $i - j + (j - 1) \times \mathbf{pdab}$ ], for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  
 $j = \max(1, i - k), \dots, i$ ;

if **order** = **Nag\_RowMajor** and **uplo** = **Nag\_Upper**,  
 $a_{ij}$  is stored in **ab**[ $j - i + (i - 1) \times \mathbf{pdab}$ ], for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  
 $j = i, \dots, \min(n, i + k)$ ;

if **order** = **Nag\_RowMajor** and **uplo** = **Nag\_Lower**,  
 $a_{ij}$  is stored in **ab**[ $k + j - i + (i - 1) \times \mathbf{pdab}$ ], for  $i = 1, \dots, n$  and  
 $j = \max(1, i - k), \dots, i$ .

- 9: **pdab** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:* the stride separating row or column elements (depending on the value of **order**) of the matrix  $A$  in the array **ab**.  
*Constraint:* **pdab**  $\geq$  **kd** + 1.
- 10: **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 **b**[(*j* - 1)  $\times$  **pdb** + *i* - 1] and if **order** = **Nag\_RowMajor**, the (*i*, *j*)th element of the matrix  $B$  is stored in **b**[(*i* - 1)  $\times$  **pdb** + *j* - 1].  
*On entry:* the *n* by *r* right-hand side matrix  $B$ .
- 11: **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**  $\geq$   $\max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .
- 12: **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)  $\times$  **pdx** + *i* - 1] and if **order** = **Nag\_RowMajor**, the (*i*, *j*)th element of the matrix  $X$  is stored in **x**[(*i* - 1)  $\times$  **pdx** + *j* - 1].  
*On entry:* the *n* by *r* solution matrix  $X$ , as returned by nag\_dtbtrs (f07vec).
- 13: **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**  $\geq$   $\max(1, \mathbf{nrhs})$ .
- 14: **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*.
- 15: **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*.
- 16: **fail** – NagError \* *Output*  
 The NAG error parameter (see the Essential Introduction).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

### NE\_INT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Constraint: **pdab**  $> 0$ .

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

Constraint: **pdb**  $> 0$ .

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

Constraint: **pdx**  $> 0$ .

### NE\_INT\_2

On entry, **pdab** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **kd** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

Constraint: **pdab**  $\geq \mathbf{kd} + 1$ .

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_dtbrfs` (f07vhc), for each right-hand side, involves 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  $2nk$  floating-point operations (assuming  $n \gg k$ ).

The complex analogue of this function is `nag_ztbrfs` (f07vvc).

## 9 Example

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

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -4.16 & 0.00 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ -2.25 & 4.78 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ 0.00 & 5.86 & 6.32 & 0.00 \\ 0.00 & 0.00 & -4.82 & 0.16 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -16.64 & -4.16 \\ -13.78 & -16.59 \\ 13.10 & -4.94 \\ -14.14 & -9.96 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 9.1 Program Text

```

/* nag_dtbrfs (f07vhc) Example Program.
 *
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 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nagf07.h>
#include <nagx04.h>

int main(void)
{
    /* Scalars */
    Integer i, j, k, kd, n, nrhs, pdab, pdb, pdx;
    Integer ferr_len, berr_len;
    Integer exit_status=0;
    Nag_UploType uplo_enum;
    NagError fail;
    Nag_OrderType order;

    /* Arrays */
    char uplo[2];
    double *ab=0, *b=0, *berr=0, *ferr=0, *x=0;

#ifdef NAG_COLUMN_MAJOR
#define AB_UPPER(I,J) ab[(J-1)*pdab + k + I - J - 1]
#define AB_LOWER(I,J) ab[(J-1)*pdab + I - J]
#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 AB_UPPER(I,J) ab[(I-1)*pdab + J - I]
#define AB_LOWER(I,J) ab[(I-1)*pdab + k + J - I - 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("f07vhc Example Program Results\n\n");

    /* Skip heading in data file */
    Vscanf("%*[\n] ");
    Vscanf("%ld%ld%ld%*[\n] ", &n, &kd, &nrhs);
    pdab = kd + 1;
#ifdef NAG_COLUMN_MAJOR
    pdb = n;
    pdx = n;
#else
    pdb = nrhs;
    pdx = nrhs;
#endif

    ferr_len = nrhs;
    berr_len = nrhs;

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/* Allocate memory */
if ( !(berr = NAG_ALLOC(berr_len, double)) ||
      !(ferr = NAG_ALLOC(ferr_len, double)) ||
      !(ab = NAG_ALLOC((kd+1) * n, double)) ||
      !(b = NAG_ALLOC(n * nrhs, 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(" ' %1s '%*[\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_UploType type\n");
  exit_status = -1;
  goto END;
}
k = kd + 1;
if (uplo_enum == Nag_Upper)
{
  for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
  {
    for (j = i; j <= MIN(i+kd,n); ++j)
      Vscanf("%lf", &AB_UPPER(i,j));
  }
  Vscanf("%*[\n] ");
}
else
{
  for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
  {
    for (j = MAX(1,i-kd); j <= i; ++j)
      Vscanf("%lf", &AB_LOWER(i,j));
  }
  Vscanf("%*[\n] ");
}

for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
{
  for (j = 1; j <= nrhs; ++j)
    Vscanf("%lf", &B(i,j));
}
Vscanf("%*[\n] ");
/* Copy B to X */
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
{
  for (j = 1; j <= nrhs; ++j)
    X(i,j) = B(i,j);
}
/* Compute solution in the array X */
f07vec(order, uplo_enum, Nag_NoTrans, Nag_NonUnitDiag, n,
       kd, nrhs, ab, pdab, x, pdx, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
  Vprintf("Error from f07vec.\n%s\n", fail.message);
  exit_status = 1;
  goto END;
}
/* Improve solution, and compute backward errors and */
/* estimated bounds on the forward errors */
f07vhc(order, uplo_enum, Nag_NoTrans, Nag_NonUnitDiag, n,
       kd, nrhs, ab, pdab, b, pdb, x, pdx, ferr, berr, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)

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    {
        Vprintf("Error from f07vhc.\n%s\n", fail.message);
        exit_status = 1;
        goto END;
    }
/* Print details of solution */

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 (berr) NAG_FREE(berr);
if (ferr) NAG_FREE(ferr);
if (ab) NAG_FREE(ab);
if (b) NAG_FREE(b);
if (x) NAG_FREE(x);
return exit_status;
}

```

## 9.2 Program Data

f07vhc Example Program Data

```

 4  1  2           :Values of N, KD and NRHS
 'L'             :Value of UPLO
-4.16
-2.25    4.78
          5.86    6.32
          -4.82    0.16   :End of matrix A
-16.64  -4.16
-13.78  -16.59
 13.10  -4.94
-14.14  -9.96           :End of matrix B

```

## 9.3 Program Results

f07vhc Example Program Results

```

Solution(s)
          1          2
 1      4.0000      1.0000
 2     -1.0000     -3.0000
 3      3.0000      2.0000
 4      2.0000     -2.0000

Backward errors (machine-dependent)
 4.7e-17    0.0e+00
Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)
 5.4e-14    5.7e-14

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