

## NAG C Library Function Document

### nag\_dsterf (f08jfc)

#### 1 Purpose

nag\_dsterf (f08jfc) computes all the eigenvalues of a real symmetric tridiagonal matrix.

#### 2 Specification

```
void nag_dsterf (Integer n, double d[], double e[], NagError *fail)
```

#### 3 Description

nag\_dsterf (f08jfc) computes all the eigenvalues of a real symmetric tridiagonal matrix, using a square-root-free variant of the  $QR$  algorithm.

The function uses an explicit shift, and, like nag\_dsteqr (f08jec), switches between the  $QR$  and  $QL$  variants in order to handle graded matrices effectively (see Greenbaum and Dongarra (1980)).

#### 4 References

Greenbaum A and Dongarra J J (1980) Experiments with QR/QL methods for the symmetric triangular eigenproblem *LAPACK Working Note No. 17 (Technical Report CS-89-92)* University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Parlett B N (1998) *The Symmetric Eigenvalue Problem* SIAM, Philadelphia

#### 5 Parameters

- 1: **n** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:*  $n$ , the order of the matrix  $T$ .  
*Constraint:*  $n \geq 0$ .
- 2: **d**[*dim*] – double *Input/Output*  
**Note:** the dimension, *dim*, of the array **d** must be at least  $\max(1, n)$ .  
*On entry:* the diagonal elements of the tridiagonal matrix  $T$ .  
*On exit:* the  $n$  eigenvalues in ascending order, unless **fail** > 0 (in which case see Section 6).
- 3: **e**[*dim*] – double *Input/Output*  
**Note:** the dimension, *dim*, of the array **e** must be at least  $\max(1, n - 1)$ .  
*On entry:* the off-diagonal elements of the tridiagonal matrix  $T$ .  
*On exit:* the array is overwritten.
- 4: **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:*  $n \geq 0$ .

**NE\_CONVERGENCE**

The algorithm has failed to find all the eigenvalues after a total of  $30 \times n$  iterations;  $\langle value \rangle$  elements of  $e$  have not converged to zero.

**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 computed eigenvalues are exact for a nearby matrix  $T + E$ , where

$$\|E\|_2 = O(\epsilon)\|T\|_2,$$

and  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*.

If  $\lambda_i$  is an exact eigenvalue and  $\tilde{\lambda}_i$  is the corresponding computed value, then

$$|\tilde{\lambda}_i - \lambda_i| \leq c(n)\epsilon\|T\|_2,$$

where  $c(n)$  is a modestly increasing function of  $n$ .

**8 Further Comments**

The total number of floating-point operations is typically about  $14n^2$ , but depends on how rapidly the algorithm converges. The operations are all performed in scalar mode.

There is no complex analogue of this function.

**9 Example**

To compute all the eigenvalues of the symmetric tridiagonal matrix  $T$ , where

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} -6.99 & -0.44 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ -0.44 & 7.92 & -2.63 & 0.00 \\ 0.00 & -2.63 & 2.34 & -1.18 \\ 0.00 & 0.00 & -1.18 & 0.32 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**9.1 Program Text**

```

/* nag_dsterf (f08jfc) Example Program.
 *
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 *
 * Mark 7, 2001.
 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nagf08.h>

int main(void)
{
    /* Scalars */
    Integer i, n, d_len, e_len;
    Integer exit_status=0;
    NagError fail;
    /* Arrays */
    double *d=0, *e=0;

```

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INIT_FAIL(fail);
Vprintf("f08jfc Example Program Results\n\n");

/* Skip heading in data file */
Vscanf("%*[\n] ");
Vscanf("%ld%*[\n] ", &n);
d_len = n;
e_len = n-1;

/* Allocate memory */
if ( !(d = NAG_ALLOC(d_len, double)) ||
      !(e = NAG_ALLOC(e_len, double)) )
{
  Vprintf("Allocation failure\n");
  exit_status = -1;
  goto END;
}
/* Read T from data file */
for (i = 0; i < d_len; ++i)
  Vscanf("%lf", &d[i]);
for (i = 0; i < e_len; ++i)
  Vscanf("%lf", &e[i]);
/* Calculate all the eigenvalues of T*/
f08jfc(n, d, e, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
  Vprintf("Error from f08jfc.\n%s\n", fail.message);
  exit_status = 1;
  goto END;
}
/* Print eigenvalues */
Vprintf(" Eigenvalues\n");
for (i = 0; i < n; ++i)
  Vprintf("  %7.4lf",d[i]);
Vprintf("\n");
END:
if (d) NAG_FREE(d);
if (e) NAG_FREE(e);
return exit_status;
}

```

## 9.2 Program Data

```

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  4                               :Value of N
-6.99  7.92  2.34  0.32
-0.44 -2.63 -1.18                :End of matrix T

```

## 9.3 Program Results

```

f08jfc Example Program Results

Eigenvalues
-7.0037 -0.4059  2.0028  8.9968

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