

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document

## A02AAF

**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

A02AAF evaluates the square root of the complex number  $x = (x_r, x_i)$ .

### 2 Specification

```
SUBROUTINE A02AAF(XR, XI, YR, YI)
  real           XR, XI, YR, YI
```

### 3 Description

The method of evaluating  $y = \sqrt{x}$  depends on the value of  $x_r$ .

For  $x_r \geq 0$ ,

$$y_r = \sqrt{\frac{x_r + \sqrt{x_r^2 + x_i^2}}{2}}, \quad y_i = \frac{x_i}{2y_r}.$$

For  $x_r < 0$ ,

$$y_i = \text{sign}(x_i) \times \sqrt{\frac{|x_r| + \sqrt{x_r^2 + x_i^2}}{2}}, \quad y_r = \frac{x_i}{2y_i}.$$

Overflow is avoided when squaring  $x_i$  and  $x_r$  by calling A02ABF to evaluate  $\sqrt{x_r^2 + x_i^2}$ .

### 4 References

Wilkinson J H and Reinsch C (1971) *Handbook for Automatic Computation II, Linear Algebra* Springer-Verlag

### 5 Parameters

1:    XR – <b><i>real</i></b>	<i>Input</i>
2:    XI – <b><i>real</i></b>	<i>Input</i>

*On entry:*  $x_r$  and  $x_i$ , the real and imaginary parts of  $x$ , respectively.

3:    YR – <b><i>real</i></b>	<i>Output</i>
4:    YI – <b><i>real</i></b>	<i>Output</i>

*On exit:*  $y_r$  and  $y_i$ , the real and imaginary parts of  $y$ , respectively.

### 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

None.

### 7 Accuracy

The result should be correct to ***machine precision***.

## 8 Further Comments

The time taken by the routine is negligible.

## 9 Example

To find the square root of  $-1.7 + 2.6i$ .

### 9.1 Program Text

```

*      A02AAF Example Program Text
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*      .. Parameters ..
INTEGER           NIN, NOUT
PARAMETER        (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
*      .. Local Scalars ..
real              XI, XR, YI, YR
*      .. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL          A02AAF
*      .. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'A02AAF Example Program Results'
*      Skip heading in data file
READ (NIN,*) 
READ (NIN,*) XR, XI
*
CALL A02AAF(XR,XI,YR,YI)
*
WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*) '      XR      XI      YR      YI'
WRITE (NOUT,99999) XR, XI, YR, YI
STOP
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,2F6.1,2F9.4)
END

```

### 9.2 Program Data

A02AAF Example Program Data  
-1.7 2.6

### 9.3 Program Results

A02AAF Example Program Results

XR	XI	YR	YI
-1.7	2.6	0.8386	1.5502

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