

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document

## F02FAF

**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

F02FAF computes all the eigenvalues, and optionally all the eigenvectors, of a real symmetric matrix.

### 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F02FAF (JOB, UPLO, N, A, LDA, W, WORK, LWORK, IFAIL)
INTEGER          N, LDA, LWORK, IFAIL
double precision A(LDA,*), W(*), WORK(LWORK)
CHARACTER*1     JOB, UPLO
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### 3 Description

F02FAF computes all the eigenvalues, and optionally all the eigenvectors, of a real symmetric matrix  $A$ :

$$Az_i = \lambda_i z_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

In other words, it computes the spectral factorization of  $A$ :

$$A = ZAZ^T,$$

where  $A$  is a diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ , and  $Z$  is an orthogonal matrix, whose columns are the eigenvectors  $z_i$ .

### 4 References

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

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

### 5 Parameters

1: JOB – CHARACTER\*1 *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether eigenvectors are to be computed.

JOB = 'N'

Only eigenvalues are computed.

JOB = 'V'

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors are computed.

*Constraint:* JOB = 'N' or 'V'.

2: UPLO – CHARACTER\*1 *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether the upper or lower triangular part of  $A$  is stored.

UPLO = 'U'

The upper triangular part of  $A$  is stored.

UPLO = 'L'

The lower triangular part of  $A$  is stored.

*Constraint:* UPLO = 'U' or 'L'.

- 3: N – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:*  $n$ , the order of the matrix  $A$ .  
*Constraint:*  $N \geq 0$ .
- 4: A(LDA,\*) – **double precision** array *Input/Output*  
**Note:** the second dimension of the array  $A$  must be at least  $\max(1, N)$ .  
*On entry:* the  $n$  by  $n$  symmetric matrix  $A$ .  
 If UPLO = 'U', the upper triangle of  $A$  must be stored and the elements of the array below the diagonal need not be set.  
 If UPLO = 'L', the lower triangle of  $A$  must be stored and the elements of the array above the diagonal need not be set.  
*On exit:* If JOB = 'V',  $A$  contains the orthogonal matrix  $Z$  of eigenvectors, with the  $i$ th column holding the eigenvector  $z_i$  associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$  (stored in  $W(i)$ ).  
 If UPLO = 'U', the upper triangular part of  $A$  is overwritten.  
 If UPLO = 'L', the lower triangular part of  $A$  is overwritten.
- 5: LDA – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:* the first dimension of the array  $A$  as declared in the (sub)program from which F02FAF is called.  
*Constraint:*  $LDA \geq \max(1, N)$ .
- 6: W(\*) – **double precision** array *Output*  
**Note:** the dimension of the array  $W$  must be at least  $\max(1, N)$ .  
*On exit:* the eigenvalues in ascending order.
- 7: WORK(LWORK) – **double precision** array *Workspace*  
 8: LWORK – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:* the dimension of the array WORK as declared in the (sub)program from which F02FAF is called. On some high-performance computers, increasing the dimension of WORK will enable the routine to run faster; a value of  $64 \times N$  should allow near-optimal performance on almost all machines.  
*Constraint:*  $LWORK \geq \max(1, 3 \times N)$ .
- 9: IFAIL – INTEGER *Input/Output*  
*On entry:* IFAIL must be set to 0, -1 or 1. If you are unfamiliar with this parameter you should refer to Chapter P01 for details.  
*On exit:* IFAIL = 0 unless the routine detects an error (see Section 6).  
 For environments where it might be inappropriate to halt program execution when an error is detected, the value -1 or 1 is recommended. If the output of error messages is undesirable, then the value 1 is recommended. Otherwise, if you are not familiar with this parameter the recommended value is 0. **When the value -1 or 1 is used it is essential to test the value of IFAIL on exit.**

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

If on entry  $IFAIL = 0$  or  $-1$ , explanatory error messages are output on the current error message unit (as defined by  $X04AAF$ ).

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

$IFAIL = 1$

On entry,  $JOB \neq 'N'$  or  $'V'$ ,  
 or  $UPLO \neq 'U'$  or  $'L'$ ,  
 or  $N < 0$ ,  
 or  $LDA < \max(1, N)$ ,  
 or  $LWORK < \max(1, 3 \times N)$ .

$IFAIL = 2$

The  $QR$  algorithm failed to compute all the eigenvalues.

## 7 Accuracy

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

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

where  $c(n)$  is a modestly increasing function of  $n$ , and  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*.

If  $z_i$  is the corresponding exact eigenvector, and  $\tilde{z}_i$  is the corresponding computed eigenvector, then the angle  $\theta(\tilde{z}_i, z_i)$  between them is bounded as follows:

$$\theta(\tilde{z}_i, z_i) \leq \frac{c(n)\epsilon\|A\|_2}{\min_{i \neq j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|}.$$

Thus the accuracy of a computed eigenvector depends on the gap between its eigenvalue and all the other eigenvalues.

## 8 Further Comments

F02FAF calls routines from LAPACK in Chapter F08. It first reduces  $A$  to tridiagonal form  $T$ , using an orthogonal similarity transformation:  $A = QTQ^T$ . If only eigenvalues are required, the routine uses a root-free variant of the symmetric tridiagonal  $QR$  algorithm. If eigenvectors are required, the routine first forms the orthogonal matrix  $Q$  that was used in the reduction to tridiagonal form; it then uses the symmetric tridiagonal  $QR$  algorithm to reduce  $T$  to  $\Lambda$ , using a further orthogonal transformation:  $T = SAS^T$ ; and at the same time accumulates the matrix  $Z = QS$ .

Each eigenvector  $z$  is normalized so that  $\|z\|_2 = 1$  and the element of largest absolute value is positive.

The time taken by the routine is approximately proportional to  $n^3$ .

## 9 Example

To compute all the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix  $A$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4.16 & -3.12 & 0.56 & -0.10 \\ -3.12 & 5.03 & -0.83 & 1.18 \\ 0.56 & -0.83 & 0.76 & 0.34 \\ -0.10 & 1.18 & 0.34 & 1.18 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 9.1 Program Text

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*      F02FAF Example Program Text
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*      .. Parameters ..
INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
PARAMETER       (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
INTEGER          NMAX, LDA, LWORK
PARAMETER       (NMAX=8,LDA=NMAX,LWORK=64*NMAX)
*      .. Local Scalars ..
INTEGER          I, IFAIL, J, N
CHARACTER       UPLO
*      .. Local Arrays ..
DOUBLE PRECISION A(LDA,NMAX), W(NMAX), WORK(LWORK)
*      .. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL        F02FAF, X04CAF
*      .. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F02FAF Example Program Results'
Skip heading in data file
READ (NIN,*)
READ (NIN,*) N
IF (N.LE.NMAX) THEN
*
*      Read A from data file
*
      READ (NIN,*) UPLO
      IF (UPLO.EQ.'U') THEN
          READ (NIN,*) ((A(I,J),J=I,N),I=1,N)
      ELSE IF (UPLO.EQ.'L') THEN
          READ (NIN,*) ((A(I,J),J=1,I),I=1,N)
      END IF
*
*      Compute eigenvalues and eigenvectors
*
      IFAIL = 0
*
      CALL F02FAF('Vectors',UPLO,N,A,LDA,W,WORK,LWORK,IFAIL)
*
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Eigenvalues'
      WRITE (NOUT,99999) (W(I),I=1,N)
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
*
      CALL X04CAF('General',' ',N,N,A,LDA,'Eigenvectors',IFAIL)
*
      END IF
      STOP
*
99999 FORMAT (3X,(8F8.4))
END

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## 9.2 Program Data

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F02FAF Example Program Data
  4                               :Value of N
  'L'                             :Value of UPLO
  4.16
 -3.12   5.03
  0.56  -0.83   0.76
 -0.10   1.18   0.34   1.18   :End of matrix A

```

### 9.3 Program Results

F02FAF Example Program Results

Eigenvalues

0.1239 1.0051 1.9963 8.0047

Eigenvectors

	1	2	3	4
1	0.1859	-0.4209	0.6230	-0.6325
2	0.3791	-0.3108	0.4405	0.7521
3	0.6621	0.7210	0.1588	-0.1288
4	-0.6192	0.4543	0.6266	0.1329

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