NAG Fortran Library Routine Document F04FEF

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

F04FEF solves the Yule-Walker equations for a real symmetric positive-definite Toeplitz system.

2 Specification

3 Description

F04FEF solves the equations

$$Tx = -t$$
,

where T is the n by n symmetric positive-definite Toeplitz matrix

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_0 & \tau_1 & \tau_2 & \dots & \tau_{n-1} \\ \tau_1 & \tau_0 & \tau_1 & \dots & \tau_{n-2} \\ \tau_2 & \tau_1 & \tau_0 & \dots & \tau_{n-3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \tau_{n-1} & \tau_{n-2} & \tau_{n-3} & \dots & \tau_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and t is the vector

$$t^{\mathrm{T}}=(\tau_1,\tau_2\ldots\tau_n).$$

The routine uses the method of Durbin (see Durbin (1960) and Golub and Van Loan (1996)). Optionally the mean square prediction errors and/or the partial correlation coefficients for each step can be returned.

4 References

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5 Parameters

I: N – INTEGER Input

On entry: the order of the Toeplitz matrix T.

Constraint: $N \ge 0$. When N = 0, then an immediate return is effected.

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2: T(0:N) - double precision array

Input

On entry: T(0) must contain the value τ_0 of the diagonal elements of T, and the remaining N elements of T must contain the elements of the vector t.

Constraint: T(0) > 0.0. Note that if this is not true, then the Toeplitz matrix cannot be positive-definite.

3: X(*) – *double precision* array

Output

Note: the dimension of the array X must be at least max(1, N).

On exit: the solution vector x.

4: WANTP - LOGICAL

Input

On entry: must be set to .TRUE. if the partial (auto)correlation coefficients are required, and must be set to .FALSE. otherwise.

5: P(*) – *double precision* array

Output

Note: the dimension of the array P must be at least max(1, N) if WANTP = .TRUE. and at least 1 otherwise.

On exit: with WANTP as .TRUE., the *i*th element of P contains the partial (auto)correlation coefficient, or reflection coefficient, p_i for the *i*th step. (See Section 8 and Chapter G13.) If WANTP is .FALSE., then P is not referenced. Note that in any case, $x_n = p_n$.

6: WANTV – LOGICAL

Input

On entry: must be set to .TRUE. if the mean square prediction errors are required, and must be set to .FALSE. otherwise.

7: V(*) – *double precision* array

Output

Note: the dimension of the array V must be at least max(1, N) if WANTV = .TRUE. and at least 1 otherwise.

On exit: with WANTV as .TRUE., the *i*th element of V contains the mean square prediction error, or predictor error variance ratio, v_i , for the *i*th step. (See Section 8 and Chapter G13.) If WANTV is .FALSE., then V is not referenced.

8: VLAST – double precision

Output

On exit: the value of v_n , the mean square prediction error for the final step.

9: WORK(*) – *double precision* array

Workspace

Note: the dimension of the array WORK must be at least max(1, N - 1).

10: IFAIL – INTEGER

Input/Output

On initial 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 final 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, because for this routine the values of the output parameters may be useful even if IFAIL $\neq 0$ on exit, the recommended value is -1. When the value -1 or 1 is used it is essential to test the value of IFAIL on exit.

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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

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{On entry, } N<0,\\ \text{or} & T(0)\leq 0.0. \end{array}$$

IFAIL > 0

The principal minor of order (IFAIL + 1) of the Toeplitz matrix is not positive-definite to working accuracy. If, on exit, x_{IFAIL} is close to unity, then the principal minor was close to being singular, and the sequence $\tau_0, \tau_1, \ldots, \tau_{\text{IFAIL}}$ may be a valid sequence nevertheless. The first IFAIL elements of X return the solution of the equations

$$T_{\text{IFAIL}}x = -\left(\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_{\text{IFAIL}}\right)^{\text{T}},$$

where $T_{\rm IFAIL}$ is the IFAILth principal minor of T. Similarly, if WANTP and/or WANTV are true, then P and/or V return the first IFAIL elements of P and V respectively and VLAST returns $v_{\rm IFAIL}$. In particular if IFAIL = N, then the solution of the equations Tx = -t is returned in X, but $\tau_{\rm N}$ is such that $T_{\rm N+1}$ would not be positive-definite to working accuracy.

7 Accuracy

The computed solution of the equations certainly satisfies

$$r = Tx + t$$

where $||r||_1$ is approximately bounded by

$$||r||_1 \le c\epsilon \left(\prod_{i=1}^n (1+|p_i|)-1\right),$$

c being a modest function of n and ϵ being the *machine precision*. This bound is almost certainly pessimistic, but it has not yet been established whether or not the method of Durbin is backward stable. If $|p_n|$ is close to one, then the Toeplitz matrix is probably ill-conditioned and hence only just positive-definite. For further information on stability issues see Bunch (1985), Bunch (1987), Cybenko (1980) and Golub and Van Loan (1996). The following bounds on $\|T^{-1}\|_1$ hold:

$$\max\left(\frac{1}{v_{n-1}}, \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1}(1-p_i)}\right) \leq \|T^{-1}\|_1 \leq \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{1+|p_i|}{1-|p_i|}\right).$$

Note: $v_n < v_{n-1}$. The norm of T^{-1} may also be estimated using routine F04YCF.

8 Further Comments

The number of floating-point operations used by F04FEF is approximately $2n^2$, independent of the values of WANTP and WANTV.

The mean square prediction error, v_i , is defined as

$$v_i = (\tau_0 + (\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_{i-1}) v_{i-1}) / \tau_0,$$

where y_i is the solution of the equations

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$$T_i y_i = -(\tau_1 \tau_2 \dots \tau_i)^{\mathrm{T}}$$

and the partial correlation coefficient, p_i , is defined as the *i*th element of y_i . Note that $v_i = (1 - p_i^2)v_{i-1}$.

9 Example

To find the solution of the Yule–Walker equations Tx = -t, where

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad t = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

9.1 Program Text

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FO4FEF Example Program Text
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.. Parameters ..
                NIN, NOUT
INTEGER
PARAMETER
                 (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
INTEGER
                 NMAX
PARAMETER
                 (NMAX=100)
.. Local Scalars ..
DOUBLE PRECISION VLAST
INTEGER
                 I, IFAIL, N
LOGICAL
                 WANTP, WANTV
.. Local Arrays ..
DOUBLE PRECISION P(NMAX), T(0:NMAX), V(NMAX), WORK(NMAX-1),
                X(NMAX)
.. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL
                 FO4FEF
.. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F04FEF Example Program Results'
Skip heading in data file
READ (NIN,*)
READ (NIN,*) N
WRITE (NOUT, *)
IF ((N.LT.O) .OR. (N.GT.NMAX)) THEN
   WRITE (NOUT, 99999) 'N is out of range. N = ', N
   READ (NIN, *) (T(I), I=0, N)
   WANTP = .TRUE.
   WANTV = .TRUE.
   IFAIL = -1
   CALL FO4FEF(N,T,X,WANTP,P,WANTV,V,VLAST,WORK,IFAIL)
   IF (IFAIL.EQ.O) THEN
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      WRITE (NOUT, *) 'Solution vector'
      WRITE (NOUT, 99998) (X(I), I=1, N)
      IF (WANTP) THEN
         WRITE (NOUT, *)
         WRITE (NOUT, *) 'Reflection coefficients'
         WRITE (NOUT, 99998) (P(I), I=1, N)
      END IF
      IF (WANTV) THEN
         WRITE (NOUT, *)
         WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Mean square prediction errors'
         WRITE (NOUT, 99998) (V(I), I=1, N)
      END IF
   ELSE IF (IFAIL.GT.O) THEN
      WRITE (NOUT, *)
      WRITE (NOUT, 99999) 'Solution for system of order', IFAIL
      WRITE (NOUT, 99998) (X(I), I=1, IFAIL)
      IF (WANTP) THEN
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WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Reflection coefficients'
WRITE (NOUT,99998) (P(I),I=1,IFAIL)
END IF
IF (WANTV) THEN
WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Mean square prediction errors'
WRITE (NOUT,99998) (V(I),I=1,IFAIL)
END IF
END IF
END IF
STOP
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,A,I5)
99998 FORMAT (1X,5F9.4)
END
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9.2 Program Data

9.3 Program Results

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F04FEF Example Program Results

Solution vector
    -0.8000    0.0000    -0.0000    0.2000

Reflection coefficients
    -0.7500    0.1429    0.1667    0.2000

Mean square prediction errors
    0.4375    0.4286    0.4167    0.4000
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