

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document

## F04YCF

**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

F04YCF estimates the 1-norm of a real matrix without accessing the matrix explicitly. It uses reverse communication for evaluating matrix-vector products. The routine may be used for estimating matrix condition numbers.

### 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F04YCF (ICASE, N, X, ESTNRM, WORK, IWORK, IFAIL)
  INTEGER          ICASE, N, IWORK(N), IFAIL
  double precision X(N), ESTNRM, WORK(N)
```

### 3 Description

F04YCF computes an estimate (a lower bound) for the 1-norm

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}| \quad (1)$$

of an  $n$  by  $n$  real matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$ . The routine regards the matrix  $A$  as being defined by a user-supplied 'Black Box' which, given an input vector  $x$ , can return either of the matrix-vector products  $Ax$  or  $A^T x$ . A reverse communication interface is used; thus control is returned to the calling program whenever a matrix-vector product is required.

**Note:** this routine is **not recommended** for use when the elements of  $A$  are known explicitly; it is then more efficient to compute the 1-norm directly from formula (1) above.

The **main use** of the routine is for estimating  $\|B^{-1}\|_1$ , and hence the **condition number**  $\kappa_1(B) = \|B\|_1 \|B^{-1}\|_1$ , without forming  $B^{-1}$  explicitly ( $A = B^{-1}$  above).

If, for example, an  $LU$  factorization of  $B$  is available, the matrix-vector products  $B^{-1}x$  and  $B^{-T}x$  required by F04YCF may be computed by back- and forward-substitutions, without computing  $B^{-1}$ .

The routine can also be used to estimate 1-norms of matrix products such as  $A^{-1}B$  and  $ABC$ , without forming the products explicitly. Further applications are described by Higham (1988).

Since  $\|A\|_\infty = \|A^T\|_1$ , F04YCF can be used to estimate the  $\infty$ -norm of  $A$  by working with  $A^T$  instead of  $A$ .

The algorithm used is based on a method given by Hager (1984) and is described by Higham (1988). A comparison of several techniques for condition number estimation is given by Higham (1987).

### 4 References

Hager W W (1984) Condition estimates *SIAM J. Sci. Statist. Comput.* **5** 311–316

Higham N J (1987) A survey of condition number estimation for triangular matrices *SIAM Rev.* **29** 575–596

Higham N J (1988) FORTRAN codes for estimating the one-norm of a real or complex matrix, with applications to condition estimation *ACM Trans. Math. Software* **14** 381–396

## 5 Parameters

**Note:** this routine uses **reverse communication**. Its use involves an initial entry, intermediate exits and re-entries, and a final exit, as indicated by the **parameter ICASE**. Between intermediate exits and re-entries, **all parameters other than X must remain unchanged**.

- 1: ICASE – INTEGER *Input/Output*  
*On initial entry:* must be set to 0.  
*On intermediate exit:* ICASE = 1 or 2, and  $X(i)$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , contain the elements of a vector  $x$ . The calling program must
- (a) evaluate  $Ax$  (if ICASE = 1) or  $A^T x$  (if ICASE = 2),
  - (b) place the result in X, and
  - (c) call F04YCF once again, with all the other parameters unchanged.
- On final exit:* ICASE = 0.
- 2: N – INTEGER *Input*  
*On initial entry:*  $n$ , the order of the matrix  $A$ .  
*Constraint:*  $N \geq 1$ .
- 3: X(N) – **double precision** array *Input/Output*  
*On initial entry:* need not be set.  
*On intermediate exit:* contains the current vector  $x$ .  
*On intermediate re-entry:* must contain  $Ax$  (if ICASE = 1) or  $A^T x$  (if ICASE = 2).  
*On final exit:* the array is undefined.
- 4: ESTNRM – **double precision** *Input/Output*  
*On initial entry:* need not be set.  
*On intermediate exit:* should not be changed.  
*On final exit:* an estimate (a lower bound) for  $\|A\|_1$ .
- 5: WORK(N) – **double precision** array *Input/Output*  
*On initial entry:* need not be set.  
*On final exit:* contains a vector  $v$  such that  $v = Aw$  where  $ESTNRM = \|v\|_1 / \|w\|_1$  ( $w$  is not returned). If  $A = B^{-1}$  and ESTNRM is large, then  $v$  is an approximate null vector for  $B$ .
- 6: IWORK(N) – INTEGER array *Communication Array*
- 7: 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,  $N < 1$ .

## 7 Accuracy

In extensive tests on **random** matrices of size up to  $n = 100$  the estimate ESTNRM has been found always to be within a factor eleven of  $\|A\|_1$ ; often the estimate has many correct figures. However, matrices exist for which the estimate is smaller than  $\|A\|_1$  by an arbitrary factor; such matrices are very unlikely to arise in practice. See Higham (1988) for further details.

## 8 Further Comments

### 8.1 Timing

The total time taken within F04YCF is proportional to  $n$ . For most problems the time taken during calls to F04YCF will be negligible compared with the time spent evaluating matrix-vector products between calls to F04YCF.

The number of matrix-vector products required varies from 4 to 11 (or is 1 if  $n = 1$ ). In most cases 4 or 5 products are required; it is rare for more than 7 to be needed.

### 8.2 Overflow

It is your responsibility to guard against potential overflows during evaluation of the matrix-vector products. In particular, when estimating  $\|B^{-1}\|_1$  using a triangular factorization of  $B$ , F04YCF should not be called if one of the factors is exactly singular – otherwise division by zero may occur in the substitutions.

### 8.3 Use in Conjunction with NAG Fortran Library Routines

To estimate the 1-norm of the inverse of a matrix  $A$ , the following skeleton code can normally be used:

```

... code to factorize A ...
IF (A is not singular) THEN
  ICASE = 0
10  CALL F04YCF (ICASE,N,X,ESTNRM,WORK,IWORK,IFAIL)
  IF (ICASE.NE.0) THEN
    IF (ICASE.EQ.1) THEN
      ... code to compute inv(A)*x ...
    ELSE
      ... code to compute inv(transpose(A))*x ...
    END IF
    GO TO 10
  END IF
END IF

```

To compute  $A^{-1}x$  or  $A^{-T}x$ , solve the equation  $Ay = x$  or  $A^T y = x$  for  $y$ , overwriting  $y$  on  $x$ . The code will vary, depending on the type of the matrix  $A$ , and the NAG routine used to factorize  $A$ .

Note that if  $A$  is any type of **symmetric** matrix, then  $A = A^T$ , and the code following the call of F04YCF can be reduced to:

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IF (ICASE.NE.0) THEN
  ... code to compute inv(A)*x ...
  GO TO 10
END IF

```

The factorization will normally have been performed by a suitable routine from Chapters F01, F03 or F07. Note also that many of the ‘Black Box’ routines in Chapter F04 for solving systems of equations also return a factorization of the matrix. The example program in Section 9 illustrates how F04YCF can be used in conjunction with NAG Library routines for two important types of matrix: full non-symmetric matrices (factorized by F03AFF) and sparse non-symmetric matrices (factorized by F01BRF).

It is straightforward to use F04YCF for the following other types of matrix, using the named routines for factorization and solution:

- non-symmetric tridiagonal (F01LEF and F04LEF);
- non-symmetric almost block-diagonal (F01LHF and F04LHF);
- non-symmetric band (F07BDF (DGBTRF) and F07BEF (DGBTRS));
- symmetric positive-definite (F03AEF and F04AGF, or F07FDF (DPOTRF) and F07FEF (DPTORS));
- symmetric positive-definite band (F07HDF (DPBTRF) and F07HEF (DPBTRS));
- symmetric positive-definite tridiagonal (F07JAF (DPTSV), F07JDF (DPTTRF) and F07JEF (DPTTRS));
- symmetric positive-definite variable bandwidth (F01MCF and F04MCF);
- symmetric positive-definite sparse (F11JAF and F11JBF);
- symmetric indefinite (F07PDF (DSPTRF) and F07PEF (DSPTRS)).

For upper or lower triangular matrices, no factorization routine is needed:  $A^{-1}x$  and  $A^{-T}x$  may be computed by calls to F06PJF (DTRSV) (or F06PKF (DTBSV) if the matrix is banded, or F06PLF (DTPSV) if the matrix is stored in packed form).

## 9 Example

For this routine two examples are presented. There is a single example program for F04YCF, with a main program and the code to solve the two example problems is given in the (sub)programs EX1 and EX2.

### Example 1 (EX1)

To estimate the condition number  $\|A\|_1\|A^{-1}\|_1$  of the matrix  $A$  given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 & 2.0 & 3.0 & -2.1 & 0.3 \\ 2.5 & 3.0 & -4.0 & 2.3 & -1.1 \\ 3.5 & 4.0 & 0.5 & -3.1 & -1.4 \\ -0.4 & -3.2 & -2.1 & 3.1 & 2.1 \\ 1.7 & 3.7 & 1.9 & -2.2 & -3.3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The code to compute  $A^{-1}x$  and  $A^{-T}x$  is more complicated than might be expected because there is no single routine to solve  $A^T y = x$  for  $y$  in this case. Instead we make use of the fact that  $A$  is factorized by F03AFF as  $PA = LU$ , where  $P$  is a permutation matrix,  $L$  is lower triangular and  $U$  is upper triangular. Since the permutation matrix does not affect the 1-norm (i.e.,  $\|PA\|_1 = \|A\|_1$ ), it is sufficient to solve  $LUy = x$  and  $(LU)^T y = U^T L^T y = x$  for  $y$ , using calls to F06PJF (DTRSV).

### Example 2 (EX2)

To estimate the condition number  $\|A\|_1\|A^{-1}\|_1$  of the matrix  $A$  given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 5.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & -1.0 & 2.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 2.0 & 3.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ -2.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0 & 1.0 & 0.0 \\ -1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & -1.0 & 2.0 & -3.0 \\ -1.0 & -1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 6.0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 9.1 Program Text

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*      F04YCF Example Program Text
*      Mark 20 Revised. NAG Copyright 2001.
*      .. Parameters ..
INTEGER          NOUT
PARAMETER       (NOUT=6)
*      .. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL        EX1, EX2
*      .. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F04YCF Example Program Results'
CALL EX1
CALL EX2
STOP
END

*
SUBROUTINE EX1
*      .. Parameters ..
INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
PARAMETER       (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
INTEGER          NMAX, LDA
PARAMETER       (NMAX=20,LDA=NMAX)
DOUBLE PRECISION ZERO
PARAMETER       (ZERO=0.0D+0)
*      .. Local Scalars ..
DOUBLE PRECISION ANORM, COND, D1, EPS, ESTNRM
INTEGER          I, ICASE, ID, IFAIL, J, N
*      .. Local Arrays ..
DOUBLE PRECISION A(LDA,NMAX), P(NMAX), WORK(NMAX), X(NMAX)
INTEGER          IWORK(NMAX)
*      .. External Functions ..
DOUBLE PRECISION DASUM, X02AJF
EXTERNAL        DASUM, X02AJF
*      .. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL        DTRSV, F03AFF, F04YCF
*      .. Intrinsic Functions ..
INTRINSIC       MAX
*      .. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Example 1'
*      Skip heading in data file
READ (NIN,*)
READ (NIN,*)
READ (NIN,*)
READ (NIN,*) N
WRITE (NOUT,*)
IF (N.GT.NMAX) THEN
    WRITE (NOUT,99999) 'N is out of range: N =', N, '.'
ELSE
    READ (NIN,*) ((A(I,J),J=1,N),I=1,N)
*      First compute the norm of A. DASUM returns the sum of the
*      absolute values of a column of A.
    ANORM = ZERO
    DO 20 J = 1, N
        ANORM = MAX(ANORM,DASUM(N,A(1,J),1))
20    CONTINUE
    WRITE (NOUT,99998) 'Computed norm of A =', ANORM
*      Next estimate the norm of inverse(A). We do not form the
*      inverse explicitly.
    EPS = X02AJF()
    IFAIL = 0
*
*      Factorise A as P*A = L*U using F03AFF.
    CALL F03AFF(N,EPS,A,LDA,D1,ID,P,IFAIL)
    ICASE = 0
*
40    CALL F04YCF(ICASE,N,X,ESTNRM,WORK,IWORK,IFAIL)
*
    IF (ICASE.NE.0) THEN
        IF (ICASE.EQ.1) THEN

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*           Return the vector  $\text{inv}(P*A)*X$  by solving the equations
*            $L*U*Y = X$ , overwriting  $Y$  on  $X$ . First solve  $L*Z = X$  for  $Z$ .
*           CALL DTRSV('Lower','No Transpose','Non-Unit',N,A,LDA,X,1)
*           Then solve  $U*Y = Z$  for  $Y$ .
*           CALL DTRSV('Upper','No Transpose','Unit',N,A,LDA,X,1)
*           ELSE IF (ICASE.EQ.2) THEN
*           Return the vector  $\text{inv}(P*A)*X$  by solving  $U'*L'*Y = X$ ,
*           overwriting  $Y$  on  $X$ . First solve  $U'*Z = X$  for  $Z$ .
*           CALL DTRSV('Upper','Transpose','Unit',N,A,LDA,X,1)
*           Then solve  $L'*Y = Z$  for  $Y$ .
*           CALL DTRSV('Lower','Transpose','Non-Unit',N,A,LDA,X,1)
*           END IF
*           Continue until ICASE is returned as 0.
*           GO TO 40
*           ELSE
*           WRITE (NOUT,99998) 'Estimated norm of inverse(A) =', ESTNRM
*           END IF
*           COND = ANORM*ESTNRM
*           WRITE (NOUT,99997) 'Estimated condition number of A =', COND
*           WRITE (NOUT,*)
*           END IF
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,A,I5,A)
99998 FORMAT (1X,A,F8.4)
99997 FORMAT (1X,A,F5.1)
END
*
SUBROUTINE EX2
*
.. Parameters ..
INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
PARAMETER        (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
INTEGER          NMAX, NZMAX, LICN, LIRN
PARAMETER        (NMAX=20,NZMAX=25,LICN=4*NZMAX,LIRN=2*NZMAX)
DOUBLE PRECISION TENTH, ZERO
PARAMETER        (TENTH=0.1D+0,ZERO=0.0D+0)
*
.. Local Scalars ..
DOUBLE PRECISION ANORM, COND, ESTNRM, RESID, SUM, U
INTEGER          I, ICASE, IFAIL, J, N, NZ
LOGICAL          GROW, LBLOCK
*
.. Local Arrays ..
DOUBLE PRECISION A(LICN), W(NMAX), WORK1(NMAX), X(NMAX)
INTEGER          ICN(LICN), IDISP(10), IKEEP(5*NMAX), IRN(LIRN),
+               IW(8*NMAX), IWORK(NMAX)
LOGICAL          ABORT(4)
*
.. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL         F01BRF, F04AXF, F04YCF
*
.. Intrinsic Functions ..
INTRINSIC        ABS, MAX
*
.. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*)
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Example 2'
*
Skip heading in data file
READ (NIN,*)
READ (NIN,*)
*
Input N, the order of matrix A, and NZ, the number of non-zero
*
elements of A.
READ (NIN,*) N, NZ
WRITE (NOUT,*)
IF (N.GT.NMAX .OR. NZ.GT.NZMAX) THEN
  WRITE (NOUT,99999) 'N or NZ is out of range: N =', N,
+  ', NZ =', NZ, '.'
ELSE
*
Input the elements of A, along with row and column information.
READ (NIN,*) (A(I),IRN(I),ICN(I),I=1,NZ)
*
First compute the norm of A.
ANORM = 0
DO 40 I = 1, N
  SUM = ZERO
  DO 20 J = 1, NZ
    IF (ICN(J).EQ.I) SUM = SUM + ABS(A(J))

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20      CONTINUE
        ANORM = MAX(ANORM,SUM)
40      CONTINUE
        WRITE (NOUT,99998) 'Computed norm of A =', ANORM
*       Next estimate the norm of inverse(A). We do not form the
*       inverse explicitly.
*       Factorise A into L*U using F01BRF.
        U = TENTH
        LBLOCK = .TRUE.
        GROW = .TRUE.
        ABORT(1) = .TRUE.
        ABORT(2) = .TRUE.
        ABORT(3) = .FALSE.
        ABORT(4) = .TRUE.
        IFAIL = 110
*
+      CALL F01BRF(N,NZ,A,LICN,IRN,LIRN,ICN,U,IKEEP,IW,W,LBLOCK,GROW,
        ABORT,IDISP,IFAIL)
        ICASE = 0
*
60      CALL F04YCF(ICASE,N,X,ESTNRM,WORK1,IWORK,IFAIL)
*
        IF (ICASE.NE.0) THEN
*       Return X := inv(A)*X or X = inv(A)'*X, depending on the
*       value of ICASE, by solving A*Y = X or A'*Y = X,
*       overwriting Y on X.
        CALL F04AXF(N,A,LICN,ICN,IKEEP,X,W,ICASE,IDISP,RESID)
*       Continue until ICASE is returned as 0.
        GO TO 60
        ELSE
            WRITE (NOUT,99998) 'Estimated norm of inverse(A) =', ESTNRM
        END IF
        COND = ANORM*ESTNRM
        WRITE (NOUT,99997) 'Estimated condition number of A =', COND
        END IF
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,A,I5,A,I5,A)
99998 FORMAT (1X,A,F8.4)
99997 FORMAT (1X,A,F5.1)
        END

```

## 9.2 Program Data

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Example 1

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5                                     :Value of N

1.5  2.0  3.0 -2.1  0.3
2.5  3.0 -4.0  2.3 -1.1
3.5  4.0  0.5 -3.1 -1.4
-0.4 -3.2 -2.1  3.1  2.1
1.7  3.7  1.9 -2.2 -3.3           :End of matrix A

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Example 2

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6 15                                     :Values of N and NZ

5.0  1  1  2.0  2  2 -1.0  2  3  2.0  2  4  3.0  3  3
-2.0  4  1  1.0  4  4  1.0  4  5 -1.0  5  1 -1.0  5  4
2.0  5  5 -3.0  5  6 -1.0  6  1 -1.0  6  2  6.0  6  6 :End of matrix A

```

### 9.3 Program Results

F04YCF Example Program Results

Example 1

Computed norm of A = 15.9000  
Estimated norm of inverse(A) = 1.7635  
Estimated condition number of A = 28.0

Example 2

Computed norm of A = 9.0000  
Estimated norm of inverse(A) = 1.9333  
Estimated condition number of A = 17.4

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