

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document

## F07TGF (STRCON/DTRCON)

**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

F07TGF (STRCON/DTRCON) estimates the condition number of a real triangular matrix.

### 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F07TGF(NORM, UPLO, DIAG, N, A, LDA, RCOND, WORK, IWORK, INFO)
ENTRY      strcon (NORM, UPLO, DIAG, N, A, LDA, RCOND, WORK, IWORK, INFO)
INTEGER    N, LDA, IWORK(*), INFO
real     A(LDA,*), RCOND, WORK(*)
CHARACTER*1 NORM, UPLO, DIAG

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The ENTRY statement enables the routine to be called by its LAPACK name.

### 3 Description

This routine estimates the condition number of a real triangular matrix  $A$ , in either the 1-norm or the infinity-norm:

$$\kappa_1(A) = \|A\|_1 \|A^{-1}\|_1 \quad \text{or} \quad \kappa_\infty(A) = \|A\|_\infty \|A^{-1}\|_\infty.$$

Note that  $\kappa_\infty(A) = \kappa_1(A^T)$ .

Because the condition number is infinite if  $A$  is singular, the routine actually returns an estimate of the *reciprocal* of the condition number.

The routine computes  $\|A\|_1$  or  $\|A\|_\infty$  exactly, and uses Higham's implementation of Hager's method (see Higham (1988)) to estimate  $\|A^{-1}\|_1$  or  $\|A^{-1}\|_\infty$ .

### 4 References

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

1: NORM – CHARACTER\*1 *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether  $\kappa_1(A)$  or  $\kappa_\infty(A)$  is estimated as follows:

if NORM = '1' or 'O',  $\kappa_1(A)$  is estimated;

if NORM = 'I',  $\kappa_\infty(A)$  is estimated.

*Constraint:* NORM = '1', 'O' or 'I'.

2: UPLO – CHARACTER\*1 *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether  $A$  is upper or lower triangular as follows:

if UPLO = 'U',  $A$  is upper triangular;

if UPLO = 'L',  $A$  is lower triangular.

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

- 3: DIAG – CHARACTER\*1 Input  
*On entry:* indicates whether  $A$  is a non-unit or unit triangular matrix as follows:  
 if DIAG = 'N',  $A$  is a non-unit triangular matrix;  
 if DIAG = 'U',  $A$  is a unit triangular matrix; the diagonal elements are not referenced and are assumed to be 1.  
*Constraint:* DIAG = 'N' or 'U'.
- 4: N – INTEGER Input  
*On entry:*  $n$ , the order of the matrix  $A$ .  
*Constraint:*  $N \geq 0$ .
- 5: A(LDA,\*) – *real* array Input  
**Note:** the second dimension of the array  $A$  must be at least  $\max(1, N)$ .  
*On entry:* the  $n$  by  $n$  triangular matrix  $A$ . If UPLO = 'U',  $A$  is upper triangular and the elements of the array below the diagonal are not referenced; if UPLO = 'L',  $A$  is lower triangular and the elements of the array above the diagonal are not referenced. If DIAG = 'U', the diagonal elements of  $A$  are not referenced, but are assumed to be 1.
- 6: LDA – INTEGER Input  
*On entry:* the first dimension of the array  $A$  as declared in the (sub)program from which F07TGF (STRCON/DTRCON) is called.  
*Constraint:*  $LDA \geq \max(1, N)$ .
- 7: RCOND – *real* Output  
*On exit:* an estimate of the reciprocal of the condition number of  $A$ . RCOND is set to zero if exact singularity is detected or if the estimate underflows. If RCOND is less than *machine precision*, then  $A$  is singular to working precision.
- 8: WORK(\*) – *real* array Workspace  
**Note:** the dimension of the array WORK must be at least  $\max(1, 3 * N)$ .
- 9: IWORK(\*) – INTEGER array Workspace  
**Note:** the dimension of the array IWORK must be at least  $\max(1, N)$ .
- 10: INFO – INTEGER Output  
*On exit:* INFO = 0 unless the routine detects an error (see Section 6).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

INFO < 0

If INFO =  $-i$ , the  $i$ th parameter had an illegal value. An explanatory message is output, and execution of the program is terminated.

## 7 Accuracy

The computed estimate RCOND is never less than the true value  $\rho$ , and in practice is nearly always less than  $10\rho$ , although examples can be constructed where RCOND is much larger.

## 8 Further Comments

A call to this routine involves solving a number of systems of linear equations of the form  $Ax = b$  or  $A^T x = b$ ; the number is usually 4 or 5 and never more than 11. Each solution involves approximately  $n^2$  floating-point operations but takes considerably longer than a call to F07TEF (STRTRS/DTRTRS) with 1 right-hand side, because extra care is taken to avoid overflow when  $A$  is approximately singular.

The complex analogue of this routine is F07TUF (CTRCON/ZTRCON).

## 9 Example

To estimate the condition number in the 1-norm of the matrix  $A$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4.30 & 0.00 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ -3.96 & -4.87 & 0.00 & 0.00 \\ 0.40 & 0.31 & -8.02 & 0.00 \\ -0.27 & 0.07 & -5.95 & 0.12 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The true condition number in the 1-norm is 116.41.

### 9.1 Program Text

**Note:** the listing of the example program presented below uses *bold italicised* terms to denote precision-dependent details. Please read the Users' Note for your implementation to check the interpretation of these terms. As explained in the Essential Introduction to this manual, the results produced may not be identical for all implementations.

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*      F07TGF Example Program Text
*      Mark 15 Release. NAG Copyright 1991.
*      .. Parameters ..
INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
PARAMETER       (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
INTEGER          NMAX, LDA
PARAMETER       (NMAX=8,LDA=NMAX)
CHARACTER       NORM, DIAG
PARAMETER       (NORM='1',DIAG='N')
*      .. Local Scalars ..
real           RCOND
INTEGER          I, INFO, J, N
CHARACTER       UPLO
*      .. Local Arrays ..
real           A(LDA,NMAX), WORK(3*NMAX)
INTEGER          IWORK(NMAX)
*      .. External Functions ..
real           X02AJF
EXTERNAL         X02AJF
*      .. External Subroutines ..
EXTERNAL        strcon
*      .. Executable Statements ..
WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F07TGF 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
*
*      Estimate condition number
*
CALL strcon(NORM,UPLO,DIAG,N,A,LDA,RCOND,WORK,IWORK,INFO)
*
WRITE (NOUT,*)
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      IF (RCOND.GE.X02AJF()) THEN
        WRITE (NOUT,99999) 'Estimate of condition number =',
+       1.0e0/RCOND
      ELSE
        WRITE (NOUT,*) 'A is singular to working precision'
      END IF
    END IF
  STOP
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,A,1P,e10.2)
END
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## 9.2 Program Data

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F07TGF Example Program Data
  4                               :Value of N
  'L'                             :Value of UPLO
  4.30
 -3.96  -4.87
  0.40  0.31  -8.02
 -0.27  0.07  -5.95  0.12  :End of matrix A
```

## 9.3 Program Results

F07TGF Example Program Results

Estimate of condition number = 1.16E+02

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