

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document

## G05EZF

**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

G05EZF generates a pseudo-random multivariate Normal vector taken from a distribution described by a reference vector set up by G05EAF.

### 2 Specification

```
SUBROUTINE G05EZF(Z, N, R, NR, IFAIL)
INTEGER          N, NR, IFAIL
real           Z(N), R(NR)
```

### 3 Description

This routine is designed for use in conjunction with G05EAF. The description of G05EAF should be referred to for a specification of the operation of these two routines.

### 4 References

Knuth D E (1981) *The Art of Computer Programming (Volume 2)* (2nd Edition) Addison-Wesley

Kendall M G and Stuart A (1969) *The Advanced Theory of Statistics (Volume 1)* (3rd Edition) Griffin

### 5 Parameters

- 1: Z(N) – *real* array *Output*  
*On exit:* the pseudo-random multivariate Normal vector generated by the routine.
- 2: N – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:* the dimension,  $n$ , of the distribution. This must be the same as was set up in the reference vector by G05EAF.  
*Constraint:*  $N \geq 1$ .
- 3: R(NR) – *real* array *Input*  
*On entry:* the reference vector as set up by G05EAF.
- 4: NR – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:* the dimension of the array R as declared in the (sub)program from which G05EZF is called. It must be the same as the value of NR specified in the call to G05EAF to set up the reference vector.  
*Constraint:*  $NR \geq (N + 1)(N + 2)/2$ .
- 5: IFAIL – INTEGER *Input/Output*  
*On entry:* IFAIL must be set to 0, -1 or 1. Users who are unfamiliar with this parameter 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, for users 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,  $N < 1$ ,  
or  $N$  is not the same as when  $R$  was set up by G05EAF. This is likely to be due to corruption of  $R$ .

$IFAIL = 2$

On entry,  $NR < (N + 1)(N + 2)/2$ .

## 7 Accuracy

The accuracy is discussed in G05EAF.

## 8 Further Comments

The time taken by the routine is of the order

$$a + b \times n + c \times n^2$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are appreciably (say 10–20 times) larger than  $c$ .

## 9 Example

The example program prints five pseudo-random observations from a bivariate Normal distribution with means vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 2.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and covariance matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2.0 & 1.0 \\ 1.0 & 3.0 \end{bmatrix},$$

generated by G05EAF and G05EZF after initialisation by G05CBF.

The generator mechanism used is selected by an initial call to G05ZAF.

### 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.

```
*      G05EZF Example Program Text
*      Mark 20 Revised. NAG Copyright 2001.
*      .. Parameters ..
INTEGER      N, NR, IC
PARAMETER   (N=2, NR=(N+1)*(N+2)/2, IC=N)
INTEGER      NOUT
PARAMETER   (NOUT=6)
```

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*   .. Local Scalars ..
      INTEGER          I, IFAIL, J
*   .. Local Arrays ..
      real            A(N), C(IC,N), R(NR), Z(N)
*   .. External Subroutines ..
      EXTERNAL        G05CBF, G05EAF, G05EZF, G05ZAF
*   .. Executable Statements ..
      CALL G05ZAF('O')
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'G05EZF Example Program Results'
      WRITE (NOUT,*)
      A(1) = 1.0e0
      A(2) = 2.0e0
      C(1,1) = 2.0e0
      C(2,2) = 3.0e0
      C(1,2) = 1.0e0
      C(2,1) = 1.0e0
      CALL G05CBF(0)
      IFAIL = 0

*
      CALL G05EAF(A,N,C,IC,0.01e0,R,NR,IFAIL)
*
      DO 20 I = 1, 5
*
          CALL G05EZF(Z,N,R,NR,IFAIL)
*
          WRITE (NOUT,99999) (Z(J),J=1,N)
20 CONTINUE
      STOP
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,2F10.4)
      END

```

## 9.2 Program Data

None.

## 9.3 Program Results

G05EZF Example Program Results

1.7697	4.4481
3.2678	3.0583
3.1769	2.3651
-0.1055	1.8395
1.2933	-0.1850

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