M01 – Sorting M01ECF

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document M01ECF

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

M01ECF rearranges a vector of character data into the order specified by a vector of ranks.

## 2 Specification

```
SUBROUTINE MO1ECF(CH, M1, M2, IRANK, IFAIL)
INTEGER M1, M2, IRANK(M2), IFAIL
CHARACTER*(*) CH(M2)
```

# 3 Description

M01ECF is designed to be used typically in conjunction with the M01D ranking routines. After one of the M01D routines has been called to determine a vector of ranks, M01ECF can be called to rearrange a vector of character data into the rank order. If the vector of ranks has been generated in some other way, then M01ZBF should be called to check its validity before M01ECF is called.

#### 4 References

None.

#### 5 Parameters

1: CH(M2) – CHARACTER\*(\*) array

Input/Output

On entry: elements M1 to M2 of CH must contain character data to be rearranged.

Constraint: the length of each element of CH must not exceed 255.

On exit: these values are rearranged into rank order. For example, if IRANK(i) = M1, then the initial value of CH(i) is moved to CH(M1).

2: M1 – INTEGER Input

M2 – INTEGER Input

On entry: the range of the ranks supplied in IRANK and the elements of CH to be rearranged.

Constraint:  $0 < M1 \le M2$ .

4: IRANK(M2) – INTEGER array

Input/Output

On entry: elements M1 to M2 of IRANK must contain a permutation of the integers M1 to M2, which are interpreted as a vector of ranks.

On exit: used as internal workspace prior to being restored and hence is unchanged.

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).

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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:

```
\begin{split} \text{IFAIL} &= 1 \\ &\quad \text{On entry, } M2 < 1, \\ &\quad \text{or } \qquad M1 < 1, \\ &\quad \text{or } \qquad M1 > M2. \end{split}
```

IFAIL = 2

On entry, the length of each element of CH exceeds 255.

IFAIL = 3

Elements M1 to M2 of IRANK contain a value outside the range M1 to M2.

IFAIL = 4

Elements M1 to M2 of IRANK contain a repeated value.

If IFAIL = 3 or 4, elements M1 to M2 of IRANK do not contain a permutation of the integers M1 to M2. On exit, the contents of CH may be corrupted. To check the validity of IRANK without the risk of corrupting CH, use M01ZBF.

# 7 Accuracy

Not applicable.

#### **8 Further Comments**

The average time taken by the routine is approximately proportional to n, where n = M2 - M1 + 1.

## 9 Example

The example program reads a file of 12-character records, each of which contains in characters 1 to 6 a name of a NAG routine, and in characters 7 to 12 an integer frequency. The program first calls M01DBF to rank the integers in descending order, and then calls M01ECF to rearrange the names into the order specified by the ranks.

#### 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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```
INTEGER
                     I, IFAIL, M
     .. Local Arrays ..
     .. External Subroutines ..
                    MO1DBF, MO1ECF
     EXTERNAL
     .. Executable Statements ..
     WRITE (NOUT, *) 'MO1ECF Example Program Results'
     Skip heading in data file
     READ (NIN,*)
     DO 20 M = 1, MMAX
       READ (NIN, 99999, END=40) CH(M), IFREQ(M)
  20 CONTINUE
  40 M = M - 1
     IFAIL = 0
     CALL MO1DBF(IFREQ, 1, M, 'Descending', IRANK, IFAIL)
     CALL MO1ECF(CH, 1, M, IRANK, IFAIL)
     WRITE (NOUT,*)
     WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Names in order of frequency'
     WRITE (NOUT, *)
     WRITE (NOUT, 99998) (CH(I), I=1, M)
     STOP
99999 FORMAT (A6, 16)
99998 FORMAT (1X,A)
     END
```

## 9.2 Program Data

```
MO1ECF Example Program Data
A02AAF
       289
A02ABF
        523
A02ACF
       531
C02ADF
       169
CO2AEF
       599
CO5ADF 1351
C05AGF
       240
C05AJF
       136
C05AVF
       211
CO5AXF
        183
CO5AZF 2181
```

### 9.3 Program Results

```
MO1ECF Example Program Results
Names in order of frequency

CO5AZF
CO5ADF
CO2AEF
AO2ACF
AO2ABF
AO2AAF
CO5AGF
CO5AVF
CO5AXF
CO5AJF
```

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