

## NAG Library Function Document

### nag\_sparse\_sym\_sol (f11jec)

#### 1 Purpose

nag\_sparse\_sym\_sol (f11jec) solves a real sparse symmetric system of linear equations, represented in symmetric coordinate storage format, using a conjugate gradient or Lanczos method, without preconditioning, with Jacobi or with SSOR preconditioning.

#### 2 Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagf11.h>

void nag_sparse_sym_sol (Nag_SparseSym_Method method,
    Nag_SparseSym_PrecType precon, Integer n, Integer nnz, const double a[],
    const Integer irow[], const Integer icol[], double omega,
    const double b[], double tol, Integer maxitn, double x[], double *rnorm,
    Integer *itn, Nag_Sparse_Comm *comm, Nag_Error *fail)
```

#### 3 Description

nag\_sparse\_sym\_sol (f11jec) solves a real sparse symmetric linear system of equations:

$$Ax = b,$$

using a preconditioned conjugate gradient method (see Barrett *et al.* (1994)), or a preconditioned Lanczos method based on the algorithm SYMMLQ (Paige and Saunders (1975)). The conjugate gradient method is more efficient if  $A$  is positive definite, but may fail to converge for indefinite matrices. In this case the Lanczos method should be used instead. For further details see Barrett *et al.* (1994).

The function allows the following choices for the preconditioner:

no preconditioning;

Jacobi preconditioning (see Young (1971));

symmetric successive-over-relaxation (SSOR) preconditioning (see Young (1971)).

For incomplete Cholesky (IC) preconditioning see nag\_sparse\_sym\_chol\_sol (f11jcc).

The matrix  $A$  is represented in symmetric coordinate storage (SCS) format (see the f11 Chapter Introduction) in the arrays **a**, **irow** and **icol**. The array **a** holds the nonzero entries in the lower triangular part of the matrix, while **irow** and **icol** hold the corresponding row and column indices.

#### 4 References

Barrett R, Berry M, Chan T F, Demmel J, Donato J, Dongarra J, Eijkhout V, Pozo R, Romine C and Van der Vorst H (1994) *Templates for the Solution of Linear Systems: Building Blocks for Iterative Methods* SIAM, Philadelphia

Paige C C and Saunders M A (1975) Solution of sparse indefinite systems of linear equations *SIAM J. Numer. Anal.* **12** 617–629

Young D (1971) *Iterative Solution of Large Linear Systems* Academic Press, New York

## 5 Arguments

- 1: **method** – Nag\_SparseSym\_Method *Input*  
*On entry:* specifies the iterative method to be used.  
**method** = Nag\_SparseSym\_CG  
 The conjugate gradient method is used.  
**method** = Nag\_SparseSym\_Lanczos  
 The Lanczos method (SYMMLQ) is used.  
*Constraint:* **method** = Nag\_SparseSym\_CG or Nag\_SparseSym\_Lanczos.
- 2: **precon** – Nag\_SparseSym\_PrecType *Input*  
*On entry:* specifies the type of preconditioning to be used.  
**precon** = Nag\_SparseSym\_NoPrec  
 No preconditioning is used.  
**precon** = Nag\_SparseSym\_SSORPrec  
 Symmetric successive-over-relaxation is used.  
**precon** = Nag\_SparseSym\_JacPrec  
 Jacobi preconditioning is used.  
*Constraint:* **precon** = Nag\_SparseSym\_NoPrec, Nag\_SparseSym\_SSORPrec or Nag\_SparseSym\_JacPrec.
- 3: **n** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:* the order of the matrix  $A$ .  
*Constraint:*  $n \geq 1$ .
- 4: **nnz** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:* the number of nonzero elements in the lower triangular part of the matrix  $A$ .  
*Constraint:*  $1 \leq \mathbf{nnz} \leq n \times (n + 1)/2$ .
- 5: **a[nnz]** – const double *Input*  
*On entry:* the nonzero elements of the lower triangular part of the matrix  $A$ , ordered by increasing row index, and by increasing column index within each row. Multiple entries for the same row and column indices are not permitted. The function nag\_sparse\_sym\_sort (f11zbc) may be used to order the elements in this way.
- 6: **irow[nnz]** – const Integer *Input*  
 7: **icol[nnz]** – const Integer *Input*  
*On entry:* the row and column indices of the nonzero elements supplied in  $A$ .  
*Constraints:*  
**irow** and **icol** must satisfy the following constraints (which may be imposed by a call to nag\_sparse\_sym\_sort (f11zbc));  
 $1 \leq \mathbf{irow}[i] \leq n$  and  $1 \leq \mathbf{icol}[i] \leq \mathbf{irow}[i]$ , for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, \mathbf{nnz} - 1$ ;  
 $\mathbf{irow}[i - 1] < \mathbf{irow}[i]$  or  $\mathbf{irow}[i - 1] = \mathbf{irow}[i]$  and  $\mathbf{icol}[i - 1] < \mathbf{icol}[i]$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, \mathbf{nnz} - 1$ .
- 8: **omega** – double *Input*  
*On entry:* if **precon** = Nag\_SparseSym\_SSORPrec, **omega** is the relaxation argument  $\omega$  to be used in the SSOR method. Otherwise **omega** need not be initialized.  
*Constraint:*  $0.0 \leq \mathbf{omega} \leq 2.0$ .

- 9: **b[n]** – const double *Input*  
*On entry:* the right-hand side vector  $b$ .
- 10: **tol** – double *Input*  
*On entry:* the required tolerance. Let  $x_k$  denote the approximate solution at iteration  $k$ , and  $r_k$  the corresponding residual. The algorithm is considered to have converged at iteration  $k$  if:
- $$\|r_k\|_\infty \leq \tau \times (\|b\|_\infty + \|A\|_\infty \|x_k\|_\infty).$$
- If **tol**  $\leq 0.0$ ,  $\tau = \max(\sqrt{\epsilon}, \sqrt{n}, \epsilon)$  is used, where  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*. Otherwise  $\tau = \max(\mathbf{tol}, 10\epsilon, \sqrt{n}, \epsilon)$  is used.  
*Constraint:* **tol**  $< 1.0$ .
- 11: **maxitn** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:* the maximum number of iterations allowed.  
*Constraint:* **maxitn**  $\geq 1$ .
- 12: **x[n]** – double *Input/Output*  
*On entry:* an initial approximation of the solution vector  $x$ .  
*On exit:* an improved approximation to the solution vector  $x$ .
- 13: **rnorm** – double \* *Output*  
*On exit:* the final value of the residual norm  $\|r_k\|_\infty$ , where  $k$  is the output value of **itn**.
- 14: **itn** – Integer \* *Output*  
*On exit:* the number of iterations carried out.
- 15: **comm** – Nag\_Sparse\_Comm \* *Input/Output*  
*On entry/exit:* a pointer to a structure of type Nag\_Sparse\_Comm whose members are used by the iterative solver.
- 16: **fail** – NagError \* *Input/Output*  
The NAG error argument (see Section 3.6 in the Essential Introduction).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

### NE\_ACC\_LIMIT

The required accuracy could not be obtained. However, a reasonable accuracy has been obtained and further iterations cannot improve the result.

### NE\_ALLOC\_FAIL

Dynamic memory allocation failed.

### NE\_BAD\_PARAM

On entry, argument **method** had an illegal value.

On entry, argument **precon** had an illegal value.

### NE\_COEFF\_NOT\_POS\_DEF

The matrix of coefficients appears not to be positive definite (conjugate gradient method only).

**NE\_INT\_2**

On entry, **nnz** =  $\langle value \rangle$ , **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint:  $1 \leq \mathbf{nnz} \leq \mathbf{n} \times (\mathbf{n} + 1)/2$ .

**NE\_INT\_ARG\_LT**

On entry, **maxitn** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: **maxitn**  $\geq 1$ .

On entry, **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: **n**  $\geq 1$ .

**NE\_INTERNAL\_ERROR**

An internal error has occurred in this function. Check the function call and any array sizes. If the call is correct then please contact NAG for assistance.

**NE\_NOT\_REQ\_ACC**

The required accuracy has not been obtained in **maxitn** iterations.

**NE\_PRECOND\_NOT\_POS\_DEF**

The preconditioner appears not to be positive definite.

**NE\_REAL**

On entry, **omega** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint:  $0.0 \leq \mathbf{omega} \leq 2.0$ .

**NE\_REAL\_ARG\_GE**

On entry, **tol** must not be greater than or equal to 1.0: **tol** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

**NE\_SYMM\_MATRIX\_DUP**

A nonzero element has been supplied which does not lie in the lower triangular part of the matrix  $A$ , is out of order, or has duplicate row and column indices, i.e., one or more of the following constraints has been violated:

$$1 \leq \mathbf{irow}[i] \leq \mathbf{n} \text{ and } 1 \leq \mathbf{icol}[i] \leq \mathbf{irow}[i], \text{ for } i = 0, 1, \dots, \mathbf{nnz} - 1$$

$$\mathbf{irow}[i - 1] < \mathbf{irow}[i], \text{ or}$$

$$\mathbf{irow}[i - 1] = \mathbf{irow}[i] \text{ and } \mathbf{icol}[i - 1] < \mathbf{icol}[i], \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, \mathbf{nnz} - 1.$$

Call `nag_sparse_sym_sort (f11zbc)` to reorder and sum or remove duplicates.

**NE\_ZERO\_DIAGONAL\_ELEM**

The matrix  $A$  has a zero diagonal element. Jacobi and SSOR preconditioners are not appropriate for this problem.

**7 Accuracy**

On successful termination, the final residual  $r_k = b - Ax_k$ , where  $k = \mathbf{itn}$ , satisfies the termination criterion

$$\|r_k\|_\infty \leq \tau \times (\|b\|_\infty + \|A\|_\infty \|x_k\|_\infty).$$

The value of the final residual norm is returned in **rnorm**.

**8 Parallelism and Performance**

Not applicable.

## 9 Further Comments

The time taken by `nag_sparse_sym_sol` (f11jec) for each iteration is roughly proportional to **nnz**. One iteration with the Lanczos method (SYMMLQ) requires a slightly larger number of operations than one iteration with the conjugate gradient method.

The number of iterations required to achieve a prescribed accuracy cannot be easily determined a priori, as it can depend dramatically on the conditioning and spectrum of the preconditioned matrix of the coefficients  $\bar{A} = M^{-1}A$ .

## 10 Example

This example program solves a symmetric positive definite system of equations using the conjugate gradient method, with SSOR preconditioning.

### 10.1 Program Text

```

/* nag_sparse_sym_sol (f11jec) Example Program.
 *
 * Copyright 1998 Numerical Algorithms Group.
 *
 * Mark 5, 1998.
 */

#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nag_string.h>
#include <nagf11.h>

int main(void)
{
    double          *a = 0, *b = 0, *x = 0;
    double          omega;
    double          rnorm;
    double          tol;
    Integer         exit_status = 0;
    Integer         *icol, *irow;
    Integer         i, n, maxitn, itn, nnz;
    char            nag_enum_arg[40];
    Nag_SparseSym_Method method;
    Nag_SparseSym_PrecType precon;
    Nag_Sparse_Comm comm;
    Nag_Error       fail;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

    printf("nag_sparse_sym_sol (f11jec) Example Program Results\n");

    /* Skip heading in data file */
    scanf(" %*[\n]");

    /* Read algorithmic parameters */
    scanf("%ld%*[\n]", &n);
    scanf("%ld%*[\n]", &nnz);
    scanf("%39s", nag_enum_arg);
    /* nag_enum_name_to_value (x04nac).
     * Converts NAG enum member name to value
     */
    method = (Nag_SparseSym_Method) nag_enum_name_to_value(nag_enum_arg);
    scanf("%39s%*[\n]", nag_enum_arg);
    precon = (Nag_SparseSym_PrecType) nag_enum_name_to_value(nag_enum_arg);
    scanf("%lf%*[\n]", &omega);
    scanf("%lf%ld%*[\n]", &tol, &maxitn);

    /* Allocate memory */
    x = NAG_ALLOC(n, double);

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b = NAG_ALLOC(n, double);
a = NAG_ALLOC(nnz, double);
irow = NAG_ALLOC(nnz, Integer);
icol = NAG_ALLOC(nnz, Integer);
if (!irow || !icol || !a || !x || !b)
{
    printf("Allocation failure\n");
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}

/* Read the matrix a */
for (i = 1; i <= nnz; ++i)
    scanf("%lf%ld%ld%*[\n]", &a[i-1], &irow[i-1], &icol[i-1]);

/* Read right-hand side vector b and initial approximate solution x */
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    scanf("%lf", &b[i-1]);
scanf(" %*[\n]");

for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    scanf("%lf", &x[i-1]);
scanf(" %*[\n]");

/* Solve Ax = b */
/* nag_sparse_sym_sol (f11jec).
 * Solver with Jacobi, SSOR, or no preconditioning
 * (symmetric)
 */
nag_sparse_sym_sol(method, precon, n, nnz, a, irow, icol, omega, b, tol,
                  maxitn, x, &rnorm, &itn, &comm, &fail);

printf(" %s%10ld%s\n", "Converged in", itn, " iterations");
printf(" %s%16.3e\n", "Final residual norm =", rnorm);

/* Output x */
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
    printf(" %16.4e\n", x[i-1]);

END:
NAG_FREE(irow);
NAG_FREE(icol);
NAG_FREE(a);
NAG_FREE(x);
NAG_FREE(b);

return exit_status;
}

```

## 10.2 Program Data

```

nag_sparse_sym_sol (f11jec) Example Program Data
7          n
16         nnz
Nag_SparseSym_CG Nag_SparseSym_SSORPrec method, precon
1.1       omega
1.0E-6 100 tol, maxitn
4.   1   1
1.   2   1
5.   2   2
2.   3   3
2.   4   2
3.   4   4
-1.  5   1
1.   5   4
4.   5   5
1.   6   2
-2.  6   5
3.   6   6
2.   7   1

```

```
-1.  7   2
-2.  7   3
  5.  7   7      a[i-1], irow[i-1], icol[i-1], i=1,...,nnz
15. 18. -8. 21.
11. 10. 29.      b[i-1], i=1,...,n
  0.  0.  0.  0.
  0.  0.  0.      x[i-1], i=1,...,n
```

### 10.3 Program Results

```
nag_sparse_sym_sol (f11jec) Example Program Results
Converged in      6 iterations
Final residual norm =      5.026e-06
 1.0000e-00
 2.0000e+00
 3.0000e+00
 4.0000e+00
 5.0000e+00
 6.0000e+00
 7.0000e+00
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