

## NAG Library Function Document

### nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc)

#### 1 Purpose

nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) is an easy-to-use function that finds a solution of a system of nonlinear equations by a modification of the Powell hybrid method. You must provide the Jacobian.

#### 2 Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagc05.h>

void nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy (
    void (*fcn)(Integer n, const double x[], double fvec[], double fjac[],
                Nag_Comm *comm, Integer *iflag),
    Integer n, double x[], double fvec[], double fjac[], double xtol,
    Nag_Comm *comm, NagError *fail)
```

#### 3 Description

The system of equations is defined as:

$$f_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) is based on the MINPACK routine HYBRJ1 (see Moré *et al.* (1980)). It chooses the correction at each step as a convex combination of the Newton and scaled gradient directions. The Jacobian is updated by the rank-1 method of Broyden. At the starting point, the Jacobian is requested, but it is not asked for again until the rank-1 method fails to produce satisfactory progress. For more details see Powell (1970).

#### 4 References

Moré J J, Garbow B S and Hillstom K E (1980) User guide for MINPACK-1 *Technical Report ANL-80-74* Argonne National Laboratory

Powell M J D (1970) A hybrid method for nonlinear algebraic equations *Numerical Methods for Nonlinear Algebraic Equations* (ed P Rabinowitz) Gordon and Breach

#### 5 Arguments

- 1: **fcn** – function, supplied by the user *External Function*  
 Depending upon the value of **iflag**, **fcn** must either return the values of the functions  $f_i$  at a point  $x$  or return the Jacobian at  $x$ .

The specification of **fcn** is:

```
void fcn (Integer n, const double x[], double fvec[], double fjac[],
          Nag_Comm *comm, Integer *iflag)
```

1: **n** – Integer

*Input*

*On entry:*  $n$ , the number of equations.

2:	<p><b>x[n]</b> – const double <span style="float: right;"><i>Input</i></span></p> <p><i>On entry:</i> the components of the point <math>x</math> at which the functions or the Jacobian must be evaluated.</p>
3:	<p><b>fvec[n]</b> – double <span style="float: right;"><i>Input/Output</i></span></p> <p><i>On entry:</i> if <b>iflag</b> = 2, <b>fvec</b> contains the function values <math>f_i(x)</math> and must not be changed.</p> <p><i>On exit:</i> if <b>iflag</b> = 1 on entry, <b>fvec</b> must contain the function values <math>f_i(x)</math> (unless <b>iflag</b> is set to a negative value by <b>fcn</b>).</p>
4:	<p><b>fjac[n × n]</b> – double <span style="float: right;"><i>Input/Output</i></span></p> <p><b>Note:</b> the <math>(i, j)</math>th element of the matrix is stored in <b>fjac</b>[(<math>j - 1</math>) × <math>n + i - 1</math>].</p> <p><i>On entry:</i> if <b>iflag</b> = 1, <b>fjac</b> contains the value of <math>\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}</math> at the point <math>x</math>, for <math>i = 1, 2, \dots, n</math> and <math>j = 1, 2, \dots, n</math>, and must not be changed.</p> <p><i>On exit:</i> if <b>iflag</b> = 2 on entry, <b>fjac</b>[(<math>j - 1</math>) × <math>n + i - 1</math>] must contain the value of <math>\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}</math> at the point <math>x</math>, for <math>i = 1, 2, \dots, n</math> and <math>j = 1, 2, \dots, n</math>, (unless <b>iflag</b> is set to a negative value by <b>fcn</b>).</p>
5:	<p><b>comm</b> – Nag_Comm *</p> <p>Pointer to structure of type Nag_Comm; the following members are relevant to <b>fcn</b>.</p> <p><b>user</b> – double *</p> <p><b>iuser</b> – Integer *</p> <p><b>p</b> – Pointer</p> <p>The type Pointer will be void *. Before calling nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_der iv_easy (c05rbc) you may allocate memory and initialize these pointers with various quantities for use by <b>fcn</b> when called from nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_der iv_easy (c05rbc) (see Section 2.3.1.1 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation).</p>
6:	<p><b>iflag</b> – Integer * <span style="float: right;"><i>Input/Output</i></span></p> <p><i>On entry:</i> <b>iflag</b> = 1 or 2.</p> <p><b>iflag</b> = 1  <b>fvec</b> is to be updated.</p> <p><b>iflag</b> = 2  <b>fjac</b> is to be updated.</p> <p><i>On exit:</i> in general, <b>iflag</b> should not be reset by <b>fcn</b>. If, however, you wish to terminate execution (perhaps because some illegal point <math>x</math> has been reached), then <b>iflag</b> should be set to a negative integer.</p>

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| 2: | <p><b>n</b> – Integer <span style="float: right;"><i>Input</i></span></p> <p><i>On entry:</i> <math>n</math>, the number of equations.</p> <p><i>Constraint:</i> <math>n &gt; 0</math>.</p>                           |
| 3: | <p><b>x[n]</b> – double <span style="float: right;"><i>Input/Output</i></span></p> <p><i>On entry:</i> an initial guess at the solution vector.</p> <p><i>On exit:</i> the final estimate of the solution vector.</p> |

- 4: **fvec**[**n**] – double *Output*  
*On exit:* the function values at the final point returned in **x**.
- 5: **fjac**[**n** × **n**] – double *Output*  
**Note:** the (*i*, *j*)th element of the matrix is stored in **fjac**[(*j* – 1) × **n** + *i* – 1].  
*On exit:* the orthogonal matrix *Q* produced by the *QR* factorization of the final approximate Jacobian, stored by columns.
- 6: **xtol** – double *Input*  
*On entry:* the accuracy in **x** to which the solution is required.  
*Suggested value:*  $\sqrt{\epsilon}$ , where  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision* returned by nag\_machine\_precision (X02AJC).  
*Constraint:* **xtol** ≥ 0.0.
- 7: **comm** – Nag\_Comm \*  
The NAG communication argument (see Section 2.3.1.1 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation).
- 8: **fail** – NagError \* *Input/Output*  
The NAG error argument (see Section 2.7 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

### NE\_ALLOC\_FAIL

Dynamic memory allocation failed.

See Section 3.2.1.2 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation for further information.

### NE\_BAD\_PARAM

On entry, argument *⟨value⟩* had an illegal value.

### NE\_INT

On entry, **n** = *⟨value⟩*.

Constraint: **n** > 0.

### 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.

An unexpected error has been triggered by this function. Please contact NAG.

See Section 3.6.6 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation for further information.

### NE\_NO\_IMPROVEMENT

The iteration is not making good progress. This failure exit may indicate that the system does not have a zero, or that the solution is very close to the origin (see Section 7). Otherwise, rerunning nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) from a different starting point may avoid the region of difficulty.

**NE\_NO\_LICENCE**

Your licence key may have expired or may not have been installed correctly.  
See Section 3.6.5 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation for further information.

**NE\_REAL**

On entry, **xtol** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
Constraint: **xtol**  $\geq$  0.0.

**NE\_TOO\_MANY\_FEVALS**

There have been at least  $100 \times (n + 1)$  calls to **fcn**. Consider restarting the calculation from the point held in **x**.

**NE\_TOO\_SMALL**

No further improvement in the solution is possible. **xtol** is too small: **xtol** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

**NE\_USER\_STOP**

**iflag** was set negative in **fcn**. **iflag** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

**7 Accuracy**

If  $\hat{x}$  is the true solution, nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) tries to ensure that

$$\|x - \hat{x}\|_2 \leq \mathbf{xtol} \times \|\hat{x}\|_2.$$

If this condition is satisfied with **xtol** =  $10^{-k}$ , then the larger components of  $x$  have  $k$  significant decimal digits. There is a danger that the smaller components of  $x$  may have large relative errors, but the fast rate of convergence of nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) usually obviates this possibility.

If **xtol** is less than *machine precision* and the above test is satisfied with the *machine precision* in place of **xtol**, then the function exits with **fail.code** = NE\_TOO\_SMALL.

**Note:** this convergence test is based purely on relative error, and may not indicate convergence if the solution is very close to the origin.

The convergence test assumes that the functions and the Jacobian are coded consistently and that the functions are reasonably well behaved. If these conditions are not satisfied, then nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) may incorrectly indicate convergence. The coding of the Jacobian can be checked using nag\_check\_derivs (c05zdc). If the Jacobian is coded correctly, then the validity of the answer can be checked by rerunning nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) with a lower value for **xtol**.

**8 Parallelism and Performance**

nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) is threaded by NAG for parallel execution in multithreaded implementations of the NAG Library.

nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) makes calls to BLAS and/or LAPACK routines, which may be threaded within the vendor library used by this implementation. Consult the documentation for the vendor library for further information.

Please consult the x06 Chapter Introduction for information on how to control and interrogate the OpenMP environment used within this function. Please also consult the Users' Note for your implementation for any additional implementation-specific information.

**9 Further Comments**

Local workspace arrays of fixed lengths are allocated internally by nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc). The total size of these arrays amounts to  $n \times (n + 13)/2$  double elements.

The time required by `nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy` (c05rbc) to solve a given problem depends on  $n$ , the behaviour of the functions, the accuracy requested and the starting point. The number of arithmetic operations executed by `nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy` (c05rbc) is approximately  $11.5 \times n^2$  to process each evaluation of the functions and approximately  $1.3 \times n^3$  to process each evaluation of the Jacobian. The timing of `nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy` (c05rbc) is strongly influenced by the time spent evaluating the functions.

Ideally the problem should be scaled so that, at the solution, the function values are of comparable magnitude.

## 10 Example

This example determines the values  $x_1, \dots, x_9$  which satisfy the tridiagonal equations:

$$\begin{aligned} (3 - 2x_1)x_1 - 2x_2 &= -1, \\ -x_{i-1} + (3 - 2x_i)x_i - 2x_{i+1} &= -1, \quad i = 2, 3, \dots, 8 \\ -x_8 + (3 - 2x_9)x_9 &= -1. \end{aligned}$$

### 10.1 Program Text

```
/* nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy (c05rbc) Example Program.
 *
 * NAGPRODCODE Version.
 *
 * Copyright 2016 Numerical Algorithms Group.
 *
 * Mark 26, 2016.
 */

#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <nagc05.h>
#include <nagx02.h>

#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C"
{
#endif
    static void NAG_CALL fcn(Integer n, const double x[], double fvec[],
                             double fjac[], Nag_Comm *comm, Integer *iflag);
#ifdef __cplusplus
}
#endif

int main(void)
{
    static double ruser[1] = { -1.0 };
    Integer exit_status = 0, i, n = 9;
    double *fjac = 0, *fvec = 0, *x = 0, xtol;
    /* Nag Types */
    NagError fail;
    Nag_Comm comm;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

    printf("nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy (c05rbc) Example Program Results\n");

    /* For communication with user-supplied functions: */
    comm.user = ruser;

    if (n > 0) {
        if (!(fjac = NAG_ALLOC(n * n, double)) ||
            !(fvec = NAG_ALLOC(n, double)) || !(x = NAG_ALLOC(n, double)))
        {
            printf("Allocation failure\n");
        }
    }
}
```

```

        exit_status = -1;
        goto END;
    }
}
else {
    printf("Invalid n.\n");
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}

/* The following starting values provide a rough solution. */
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
    x[i] = -1.0;

/* nag_machine_precision (x02ajc).
 * The machine precision
 */
xtol = sqrt(nag_machine_precision);

/* nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy (c05rbc).
 * Solution of a system of nonlinear equations (using first
 * derivatives)
 */
nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy(fcn, n, x, fvec, fjac, xtol, &comm, &fail);

if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR) {
    printf("Error from nag_zero_nonlin_eqns_deriv_easy (c05rbc).\n%s\n",
        fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
    if (fail.code != NE_TOO_MANY_FEVALS &&
        fail.code != NE_TOO_SMALL && fail.code != NE_NO_IMPROVEMENT)
        goto END;
}

printf(fail.code == NE_NOERROR ? "Final approximate" : "Approximate");
printf(" solution\n\n");
for (i = 0; i < n; i++)
    printf("%12.4f%s", x[i], (i % 3 == 2 || i == n - 1) ? "\n" : " ");

if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
    exit_status = 2;

END:
    NAG_FREE(fjac);
    NAG_FREE(fvec);
    NAG_FREE(x);
    return exit_status;
}

static void NAG_CALL fcn(Integer n, const double x[], double fvec[],
                        double fjac[], Nag_Comm *comm, Integer *iflag)
{
    Integer j, k;

    if (comm->user[0] == -1.0) {
        printf("(User-supplied callback fcn, first invocation.)\n");
        comm->user[0] = 0.0;
    }
    if (*iflag != 2) {
        for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {
            fvec[k] = (3.0 - x[k] * 2.0) * x[k] + 1.0;
            if (k > 0)
                fvec[k] -= x[k - 1];
            if (k < n - 1)
                fvec[k] -= x[k + 1] * 2.0;
        }
    }
    else {
        for (k = 0; k < n; k++) {
            for (j = 0; j < n; j++)
                fjac[j * n + k] = 0.0;
        }
    }
}

```

```
fjac[k * n + k] = 3.0 - x[k] * 4.0;
if (k > 0)
    fjac[(k - 1) * n + k] = -1.0;
if (k < n - 1)
    fjac[(k + 1) * n + k] = -2.0;
}
}
/* Set iflag negative to terminate execution for any reason. */
*iflag = 0;
}
```

## 10.2 Program Data

None.

## 10.3 Program Results

nag\_zero\_nonlin\_eqns\_deriv\_easy (c05rbc) Example Program Results  
(User-supplied callback fcn, first invocation.)  
Final approximate solution

-0.5707	-0.6816	-0.7017
-0.7042	-0.7014	-0.6919
-0.6658	-0.5960	-0.4164

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