

## 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 *rnorm,
    Integer *itn, Nag_Sparse_Comm *comm, NagError *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 (SYMMQLQ) 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.  
*C o n s t r a i n t :* **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:*  $1 \leq \text{nnz} \leq \text{n} \times (\text{n} + 1)/2$ .
- 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));  
 $1 \leq \text{irow}[i] \leq \text{n}$  and  $1 \leq \text{icol}[i] \leq \text{irow}[i]$ , for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, \text{nnz} - 1$ ;  
 $\text{irow}[i - 1] < \text{irow}[i]$  or  $\text{irow}[i - 1] = \text{irow}[i]$  and  $\text{icol}[i - 1] < \text{icol}[i]$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, \text{nnz} - 1$ .
- 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:*  $0.0 \leq \text{omega} \leq 2.0$ .

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| 9:   | <b>b[n]</b> – const double      | <i>Input</i>        |
| <i>On entry:</i> the right-hand side vector $b$ .  |                                 |                     |
| 10:  | <b>tol</b> – double             | <i>Input</i>        |
| <i>On entry:</i> 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 $\text{tol} \leq 0.0$ , $\tau = \max(\sqrt{\epsilon}, \sqrt{n}, \epsilon)$ is used, where $\epsilon$ is the <b>machine precision</b> . Otherwise $\tau = \max(\text{tol}, 10\epsilon, \sqrt{n}, \epsilon)$ is used. |                                 |                     |
| <i>Constraint:</i> $\text{tol} < 1.0$ .  |                                 |                     |
| 11:  | <b>maxitn</b> – Integer         | <i>Input</i>        |
| <i>On entry:</i> the maximum number of iterations allowed.   |                                 |                     |
| <i>Constraint:</i> $\text{maxitn} \geq 1$ .  |                                 |                     |
| 12:  | <b>x[n]</b> – double            | <i>Input/Output</i> |
| <i>On entry:</i> an initial approximation of the solution vector $x$ .   |                                 |                     |
| <i>On exit:</i> an improved approximation to the solution vector $x$ .   |                                 |                     |
| 13:  | <b>rnorm</b> – double *         | <i>Output</i>       |
| <i>On exit:</i> the final value of the residual norm $\ r_k\ _\infty$ , where $k$ is the output value of <b>itn</b> .  |                                 |                     |
| 14:  | <b>itn</b> – Integer *          | <i>Output</i>       |
| <i>On exit:</i> the number of iterations carried out.  |                                 |                     |
| 15:  | <b>comm</b> – Nag_Sparse_Comm * | <i>Input/Output</i> |
| <i>On entry/exit:</i> a pointer to a structure of type Nag_Sparse_Comm whose members are used by the iterative solver.   |                                 |                     |
| 16:  | <b>fail</b> – NagError *        | <i>Input/Output</i> |
| The NAG error argument (see Section 2.7 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation).  |                                 |                     |

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

**NE\_INT\_ARG\_LT**

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

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

**NE\_REAL\_ARG\_GE**

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

**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:

$1 \leq \text{irow}[i] \leq \text{n}$  and  $1 \leq \text{icol}[i] \leq \text{irow}[i]$ , for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, \text{nnz} - 1$   
 $\text{irow}[i - 1] < \text{irow}[i]$ , or  
 $\text{irow}[i - 1] = \text{irow}[i]$  and  $\text{icol}[i - 1] < \text{icol}[i]$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, \text{nnz} - 1$ .

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  $k = \text{itn}$ , 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

nag\_sparse\_sym\_sol (f11jec) is not threaded in any implementation.

## 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.
*
* NAGPRODCODE Version.
*
* Copyright 2016 Numerical Algorithms Group.
*
* Mark 26, 2016.
*/
#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdl�.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;
    NagError fail;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

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

    /* Skip heading in data file */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s(" %*[^\n]");
    #else
        scanf(" %*[^\n]");
    #endif

    /* Read algorithmic parameters */
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &n);
    #else
        scanf("%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &n);
    #endif
    #ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &nnz);
    #else
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    scanf("%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &nnz);
#endif

#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%39s", nag_enum_arg, (unsigned)_countof(nag_enum_arg));
#else
    scanf("%39s", nag_enum_arg);
#endif
/* 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);
#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%39s%*[^\n]", nag_enum_arg, (unsigned)_countof(nag_enum_arg));
#else
    scanf("%39s%*[^\n]", nag_enum_arg);
#endif
precon = (Nag_SparseSym_PrecType) nag_enum_name_to_value(nag_enum_arg);

#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf%*[^\n]", &omega);
#else
    scanf("%lf%*[^\n]", &omega);
#endif
#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &tol, &maxitn);
#else
    scanf("%lf%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &tol, &maxitn);
#endif

/* Allocate memory */
x = NAG_ALLOC(n, double);
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)
#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf%" NAG_IFMT "%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &a[i - 1], &irow[i - 1],
            &icol[i - 1]);
#else
    scanf("%lf%" NAG_IFMT "%" NAG_IFMT "%*[^\n]", &a[i - 1], &irow[i - 1],
            &icol[i - 1]);
#endif

/* Read right-hand side vector b and initial approximate solution x */
for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf", &b[i - 1]);
#else
    scanf("%lf", &b[i - 1]);
#endif
#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s(" %*[^\n]");
#else
    scanf(" %*[^\n]");
#endif

    for (i = 1; i <= n; ++i)
#ifndef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%lf", &x[i - 1]);
#else
        scanf("%lf", &x[i - 1]);
#endif

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#ifndef _WIN32
    scanf_s(" %*[^\n]");
#else
    scanf(" %*[^\n]");
#endif

/* 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%10" NAG_IFMT "%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

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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.                 b[i-1], i=1,...,n
11. 10.  29.                   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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