

# NAG Library Routine Document

## F04FEF

**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

F04FEF solves the Yule–Walker equations for a real symmetric positive definite Toeplitz system.

### 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F04FEF (N, T, X, WANTP, P, WANTV, V, VLAST, WORK, IFAIL)
INTEGER          N, IFAIL
REAL (KIND=nag_wp) T(0:N), X(N), P(*), V(*), VLAST, WORK(N-1)
LOGICAL         WANTP, WANTV
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### 3 Description

F04FEF solves the equations

$$Tx = -t,$$

where  $T$  is the  $n$  by  $n$  symmetric positive definite Toeplitz matrix

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_0 & \tau_1 & \tau_2 & \cdots & \tau_{n-1} \\ \tau_1 & \tau_0 & \tau_1 & \cdots & \tau_{n-2} \\ \tau_2 & \tau_1 & \tau_0 & \cdots & \tau_{n-3} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \tau_{n-1} & \tau_{n-2} & \tau_{n-3} & \cdots & \tau_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $t$  is the vector

$$t^T = (\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_n).$$

The routine uses the method of Durbin (see Durbin (1960) and Golub and Van Loan (1996)). Optionally the mean square prediction errors and/or the partial correlation coefficients for each step can be returned.

### 4 References

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- Golub G H and Van Loan C F (1996) *Matrix Computations* (3rd Edition) Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore

## 5 Parameters

- 1: N – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:* the order of the Toeplitz matrix  $T$ .  
*Constraint:*  $N \geq 0$ . When  $N = 0$ , then an immediate return is effected.
- 2: T(0 : N) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Input*  
*On entry:* T(0) must contain the value  $\tau_0$  of the diagonal elements of  $T$ , and the remaining N elements of T must contain the elements of the vector  $t$ .  
*Constraint:* T(0) > 0.0. Note that if this is not true, then the Toeplitz matrix cannot be positive definite.
- 3: X(N) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Output*  
*On exit:* the solution vector  $x$ .
- 4: WANTP – LOGICAL *Input*  
*On entry:* must be set to .TRUE. if the partial (auto)correlation coefficients are required, and must be set to .FALSE. otherwise.
- 5: P(\*) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Output*  
**Note:** the dimension of the array P must be at least  $\max(1, N)$  if WANTP = .TRUE., and at least 1 otherwise.  
*On exit:* with WANTP as .TRUE., the  $i$ th element of P contains the partial (auto)correlation coefficient, or reflection coefficient,  $p_i$  for the  $i$ th step. (See Section 8 and Chapter G13.) If WANTP is .FALSE., then P is not referenced. Note that in any case,  $x_n = p_n$ .
- 6: WANTV – LOGICAL *Input*  
*On entry:* must be set to .TRUE. if the mean square prediction errors are required, and must be set to .FALSE. otherwise.
- 7: V(\*) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Output*  
**Note:** the dimension of the array V must be at least  $\max(1, N)$  if WANTV = .TRUE., and at least 1 otherwise.  
*On exit:* with WANTV as .TRUE., the  $i$ th element of V contains the mean square prediction error, or predictor error variance ratio,  $v_i$ , for the  $i$ th step. (See Section 8 and Chapter G13.) If WANTV is .FALSE., then V is not referenced.
- 8: VLAST – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) *Output*  
*On exit:* the value of  $v_n$ , the mean square prediction error for the final step.
- 9: WORK(N – 1) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Workspace*
- 10: IFAIL – INTEGER *Input/Output*  
*On entry:* IFAIL must be set to 0, –1 or 1. If you are unfamiliar with this parameter you should refer to Section 3.3 in the Essential Introduction for details.  
 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, because for this routine the values of the output parameters may be useful even if IFAIL  $\neq$  0 on exit, the recommended value is –1. **When the value –1 or 1 is used it is essential to test the value of IFAIL on exit.**

On exit: IFAIL = 0 unless the routine detects an error or a warning has been flagged (see Section 6).

## 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).

**Note:** F04FEF may return useful information for one or more of the following detected errors or warnings.

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

IFAIL = -1

On entry,  $N < 0$ ,  
or  $T(0) \leq 0.0$ .

IFAIL > 0

The principal minor of order (IFAIL + 1) of the Toeplitz matrix is not positive definite to working accuracy. If, on exit,  $x_{\text{IFAIL}}$  is close to unity, then the principal minor was close to being singular, and the sequence  $\tau_0, \tau_1, \dots, \tau_{\text{IFAIL}}$  may be a valid sequence nevertheless. The first IFAIL elements of X return the solution of the equations

$$T_{\text{IFAIL}}x = -(\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_{\text{IFAIL}})^T,$$

where  $T_{\text{IFAIL}}$  is the IFAILth principal minor of  $T$ . Similarly, if WANTP and/or WANTV are true, then P and/or V return the first IFAIL elements of P and V respectively and VLAST returns  $v_{\text{IFAIL}}$ . In particular if IFAIL = N, then the solution of the equations  $Tx = -t$  is returned in X, but  $\tau_N$  is such that  $T_{N+1}$  would not be positive definite to working accuracy.

## 7 Accuracy

The computed solution of the equations certainly satisfies

$$r = Tx + t,$$

where  $\|r\|_1$  is approximately bounded by

$$\|r\|_1 \leq c\epsilon \left( \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + |p_i|) - 1 \right),$$

$c$  being a modest function of  $n$  and  $\epsilon$  being the *machine precision*. This bound is almost certainly pessimistic, but it has not yet been established whether or not the method of Durbin is backward stable. If  $|p_n|$  is close to one, then the Toeplitz matrix is probably ill-conditioned and hence only just positive definite. For further information on stability issues see Bunch (1985), Bunch (1987), Cybenko (1980) and Golub and Van Loan (1996). The following bounds on  $\|T^{-1}\|_1$  hold:

$$\max \left( \frac{1}{v_{n-1}}, \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^{n-1} (1 - p_i)} \right) \leq \|T^{-1}\|_1 \leq \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( \frac{1 + |p_i|}{1 - |p_i|} \right).$$

**Note:**  $v_n < v_{n-1}$ . The norm of  $T^{-1}$  may also be estimated using routine F04YDF.

## 8 Further Comments

The number of floating point operations used by F04FEF is approximately  $2n^2$ , independent of the values of WANTP and WANTV.

The mean square prediction error,  $v_i$ , is defined as

$$v_i = (\tau_0 + (\tau_1\tau_2 \dots \tau_{i-1})y_{i-1})/\tau_0,$$

where  $y_i$  is the solution of the equations

$$T_i y_i = -(\tau_1\tau_2 \dots \tau_i)^T$$

and the partial correlation coefficient,  $p_i$ , is defined as the  $i$ th element of  $y_i$ . Note that  $v_i = (1 - p_i^2)v_{i-1}$ .

## 9 Example

This example finds the solution of the Yule–Walker equations  $Tx = -t$ , where

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad t = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 9.1 Program Text

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Program f04fefe

!      F04FEF Example Program Text

!      Mark 24 Release. NAG Copyright 2012.

!      .. Use Statements ..
Use nag_library, Only: f04fef, nag_wp
!      .. Implicit None Statement ..
Implicit None
!      .. Parameters ..
Integer, Parameter          :: nin = 5, nout = 6
!      .. Local Scalars ..
Real (Kind=nag_wp)         :: vlast
Integer                    :: ifail, n
Logical                    :: wantp, wantv
!      .. Local Arrays ..
Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable :: p(:), t(:), v(:), work(:), x(:)
!      .. Executable Statements ..
Write (nout,*) 'F04FEF Example Program Results'
!      Skip heading in data file
Read (nin,*)
Read (nin,*) n
Write (nout,*)

Allocate (p(n),t(0:n),v(n),work(n-1),x(n))
Read (nin,*) t(0:n)
wantp = .True.
wantv = .True.

!      ifail: behaviour on error exit
!              =0 for hard exit, =1 for quiet-soft, =-1 for noisy-soft
ifail = 1
Call f04fef(n,t,x,wantp,p,wantv,v,vlast,work,ifail)

If (ifail==0) Then
  Write (nout,*)
  Write (nout,*) 'Solution vector'
  Write (nout,99998) x(1:n)
  If (wantp) Then
    Write (nout,*)
    Write (nout,*) 'Reflection coefficients'
    Write (nout,99998) p(1:n)
  End If
  If (wantv) Then
    Write (nout,*)
    Write (nout,*) 'Mean square prediction errors'

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        Write (nout,99998) v(1:n)
    End If
Else If (ifail>0) Then
    Write (nout,*)
    Write (nout,99999) 'Solution for system of order', ifail
    Write (nout,99998) x(1:ifail)
    If (wantp) Then
        Write (nout,*)
        Write (nout,*) 'Reflection coefficients'
        Write (nout,99998) p(1:ifail)
    End If
    If (wantv) Then
        Write (nout,*)
        Write (nout,*) 'Mean square prediction errors'
        Write (nout,99998) v(1:ifail)
    End If
Else
    Write (nout,99997) ifail
End If

99999 Format (1X,A,I5)
99998 Format (1X,5F9.4)
99997 Format (1X,' ** F04FEF returned with IFAIL = ',I5)
    End Program f04fefe

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## 9.2 Program Data

F04FEF Example Program Data

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4          : n
4.0  3.0  2.0  1.0  0.0  : vector T

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## 9.3 Program Results

F04FEF Example Program Results

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Solution vector
-0.8000  0.0000 -0.0000  0.2000

Reflection coefficients
-0.7500  0.1429  0.1667  0.2000

Mean square prediction errors
0.4375  0.4286  0.4167  0.4000

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