NAG Library Routine Document F07FHF (DPORFS)

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

F07FHF (DPORFS) returns error bounds for the solution of a real symmetric positive definite system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides, AX = B. It improves the solution by iterative refinement, in order to reduce the backward error as much as possible.

2 Specification

The routine may be called by its LAPACK name dporfs.

3 Description

F07FHF (DPORFS) returns the backward errors and estimated bounds on the forward errors for the solution of a real symmetric positive definite system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides AX = B. The routine handles each right-hand side vector (stored as a column of the matrix B) independently, so we describe the function of F07FHF (DPORFS) in terms of a single right-hand side b and solution x.

Given a computed solution x, the routine computes the *component-wise backward error* β . This is the size of the smallest relative perturbation in each element of A and b such that x is the exact solution of a perturbed system

$$\begin{aligned} &(A+\delta A)x=b+\delta b\\ \left|\delta a_{ij}\right| \leq \beta \left|a_{ij}\right| & \text{and} & \left|\delta b_{i}\right| \leq \beta |b_{i}|. \end{aligned}$$

Then the routine estimates a bound for the *component-wise forward error* in the computed solution, defined by:

$$\max_{i} |x_i - \hat{x}_i| / \max_{i} |x_i|$$

where \hat{x} is the true solution.

For details of the method, see the F07 Chapter Introduction.

4 References

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

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5 Parameters

1: UPLO - CHARACTER(1)

Input

On entry: specifies whether the upper or lower triangular part of A is stored and how A is to be factorized.

UPLO = 'U'

The upper triangular part of A is stored and A is factorized as $U^{T}U$, where U is upper triangular.

UPLO = 'L'

The lower triangular part of A is stored and A is factorized as LL^{T} , where L is lower triangular.

Constraint: UPLO = 'U' or 'L'.

2: N - INTEGER

Input

On entry: n, the order of the matrix A.

Constraint: $N \ge 0$.

3: NRHS - INTEGER

Input

On entry: r, the number of right-hand sides.

Constraint: NRHS ≥ 0 .

4: A(LDA,*) - REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array

Input

Note: the second dimension of the array A must be at least max(1, N).

On entry: the n by n original symmetric positive definite matrix A as supplied to F07FDF (DPOTRF).

5: LDA – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array A as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FHF (DPORFS) is called.

Constraint: LDA $\geq \max(1, N)$.

6: AF(LDAF, *) - REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Input

Note: the second dimension of the array AF must be at least max(1, N).

On entry: the Cholesky factor of A, as returned by F07FDF (DPOTRF).

7: LDAF – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array AF as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FHF (DPORFS) is called.

Constraint: LDAF $\geq \max(1, N)$.

8: B(LDB, *) - REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Input

Note: the second dimension of the array B must be at least max(1, NRHS).

On entry: the n by r right-hand side matrix B.

9: LDB – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FHF (DPORFS) is called.

Constraint: LDB $\geq \max(1, N)$.

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10: X(LDX, *) - REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Input/Output

Note: the second dimension of the array X must be at least max(1, NRHS).

On entry: the n by r solution matrix X, as returned by F07FEF (DPOTRS).

On exit: the improved solution matrix X.

11: LDX - INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array X as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FHF (DPORFS) is called.

Constraint: LDX \geq max(1, N).

12: FERR(NRHS) - REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Output

On exit: FERR(j) contains an estimated error bound for the jth solution vector, that is, the jth column of X, for j = 1, 2, ..., r.

13: BERR(NRHS) - REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Output

On exit: BERR(j) contains the component-wise backward error bound β for the jth solution vector, that is, the jth column of X, for j = 1, 2, ..., r.

14: WORK $(3 \times N)$ – REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Workspace

15: IWORK(N) - INTEGER array

Workspace

16: INFO – INTEGER

Output

On exit: INFO = 0 unless the routine detects an error (see Section 6).

6 Error Indicators and Warnings

INFO < 0

If INFO = -i, argument i had an illegal value. An explanatory message is output, and execution of the program is terminated.

7 Accuracy

The bounds returned in FERR are not rigorous, because they are estimated, not computed exactly; but in practice they almost always overestimate the actual error.

8 Parallelism and Performance

F07FHF (DPORFS) is threaded by NAG for parallel execution in multithreaded implementations of the NAG Library.

F07FHF (DPORFS) 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 routine. Please also consult the Users' Note for your implementation for any additional implementation-specific information.

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9 Further Comments

For each right-hand side, computation of the backward error involves a minimum of $4n^2$ floating-point operations. Each step of iterative refinement involves an additional $6n^2$ operations. At most five steps of iterative refinement are performed, but usually only one or two steps are required.

Estimating the forward error involves solving a number of systems of linear equations of the form Ax = b; the number is usually 4 or 5 and never more than 11. Each solution involves approximately $2n^2$ operations.

The complex analogue of this routine is F07FVF (ZPORFS).

10 Example

This example solves the system of equations AX = B using iterative refinement and to compute the forward and backward error bounds, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4.16 & -3.12 & 0.56 & -0.10 \\ -3.12 & 5.03 & -0.83 & 1.18 \\ 0.56 & -0.83 & 0.76 & 0.34 \\ -0.10 & 1.18 & 0.34 & 1.18 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} 8.70 & 8.30 \\ -13.35 & 2.13 \\ 1.89 & 1.61 \\ -4.14 & 5.00 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here A is symmetric positive definite and must first be factorized by F07FDF (DPOTRF).

10.1 Program Text

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Program f07fhfe
     FO7FHF Example Program Text
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!
      .. Use Statements ..
     Use nag_library, Only: dporfs, dpotrf, dpotrs, f06qff, nag_wp, x04caf
!
      .. Implicit None Statement ..
     Implicit None
!
      .. Parameters ..
                                       :: nin = 5, nout = 6
     Integer, Parameter
      .. Local Scalars ..
!
     Integer
                                        :: i, ifail, info, lda, ldaf, ldb, ldx, &
                                          n, nrhs
     Character (1)
                                        :: uplo
      .. Local Arrays ..
!
     Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable :: a(:,:), af(:,:), b(:,:), berr(:),
                                         ferr(:), work(:), x(:,:)
     Integer, Allocatable
                                       :: iwork(:)
!
      .. Executable Statements ..
     Write (nout,*) 'F07FHF Example Program Results'
!
     Skip heading in data file
     Read (nin,*)
     Read (nin,*) n, nrhs
     lda = n
     ldaf = n
     ldb = n
     ldx = n
     Allocate (a(lda,n),af(ldaf,n),b(ldb,nrhs),berr(nrhs),ferr(nrhs), &
       work(3*n), x(ldx,n), iwork(n))
     Read A and B from data file, and copy A to AF and B to X
!
     Read (nin,*) uplo
      If (uplo=='U') Then
       Read (nin,*)(a(i,i:n),i=1,n)
     Else If (uplo=='L') Then
       Read (nin,*)(a(i,1:i),i=1,n)
     End If
     Read (nin,*)(b(i,1:nrhs),i=1,n)
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Call f06qff(uplo,n,n,a,lda,af,ldaf)
      x(1:n,1:nrhs) = b(1:n,1:nrhs)
     Factorize A in the array AF
     The NAG name equivalent of dpotrf is f07fdf
      Call dpotrf(uplo,n,af,ldaf,info)
     Write (nout,*)
     Flush (nout)
     If (info==0) Then
        Compute solution in the array X
!
        The NAG name equivalent of dpotrs is f07fef
!
        Call dpotrs(uplo,n,nrhs,af,ldaf,x,ldx,info)
        Improve solution, and compute backward errors and
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        estimated bounds on the forward errors
        The NAG name equivalent of dporfs is f07fhf
!
        Call dporfs(uplo,n,nrhs,a,lda,af,ldaf,b,ldb,x,ldx,ferr,berr,work, &
          iwork,info)
        Print solution
!
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        ifail: behaviour on error exit
               =0 for hard exit, =1 for quiet-soft, =-1 for noisy-soft
        ifail = 0
        Call x04caf('General',' ',n,nrhs,x,ldx,'Solution(s)',ifail)
        Write (nout,*)
        Write (nout,*) 'Backward errors (machine-dependent)'
        Write (nout,99999) berr(1:nrhs)
        Write (nout,*) 'Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)'
        Write (nout, 99999) ferr(1:nrhs)
        Write (nout,*) 'A is not positive definite'
     End If
99999 Format ((3X,1P,7E11.1))
   End Program f07fhfe
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10.2 Program Data

```
F07FHF Example Program Data
                              :Values of N and NRHS
 'L'
                              :Value of UPLO
 4.16
-3.12
       5.03
       -0.83
 0.56
                0.76
-0.10
        1.18
                0.34
                       1.18
                              :End of matrix A
 8.70
        8.30
-13.35
         2.13
 1.89
        1.61
-4.14
         5.00
                              :End of matrix B
```

10.3 Program Results

FO7FHF Example Program Results

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Solution(s)

1 2
1 1.0000 4.0000
2 -1.0000 3.0000
3 2.0000 2.0000
4 -3.0000 1.0000
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Backward errors (machine-dependent)
7.6E-17 5.0E-17
Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)
2.4E-14 2.3E-14

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