

# NAG Library Routine Document

## C05ZDF

**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

C05ZDF checks the user-supplied gradients of a set of nonlinear functions in several variables, for consistency with the functions themselves. The routine must be called twice.

### 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE C05ZDF (MODE, M, N, X, FVEC, FJAC, XP, FVECP, ERR, IFAIL)
  INTEGER          MODE, M, N, IFAIL
  REAL (KIND=nag_wp) X(N), FVEC(M), FJAC(M,N), XP(N), FVECP(M), ERR(M)
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### 3 Description

C05ZDF is based on the MINPACK routine CHKDER (see Moré *et al.* (1980)). It checks the  $i$ th gradient for consistency with the  $i$ th function by computing a forward-difference approximation along a suitably chosen direction and comparing this approximation with the user-supplied gradient along the same direction. The principal characteristic of C05ZDF is its invariance under changes in scale of the variables or functions.

### 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

### 5 Arguments

- 1: MODE – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:* the value 1 on the first call and the value 2 on the second call of C05ZDF.  
*Constraint:* MODE = 1 or 2.
- 2: M – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:*  $m$ , the number of functions.  
*Constraint:*  $M \geq 1$ .
- 3: N – INTEGER *Input*  
*On entry:*  $n$ , the number of variables. For use with C05RBF, C05RCF and C05RDF,  $M = N$ .  
*Constraint:*  $N \geq 1$ .
- 4: X(N) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Input*  
*On entry:* the components of a point  $x$ , at which the consistency check is to be made. (See Section 7.)
- 5: FVEC(M) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array *Input*  
*On entry:* if MODE = 2, FVEC must contain the value of the functions evaluated at  $x$ . If MODE = 1, FVEC is not referenced.

- 6: FJAC(M,N) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array Input  
*On entry:* if MODE = 2, FJAC must contain the value of  $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$  at the point  $x$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . If MODE = 1, FJAC is not referenced.
- 7: XP(N) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array Output  
*On exit:* if MODE = 1, XP is set to a point neighbouring X. If MODE = 2, XP is undefined.
- 8: FVECP(M) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array Input  
*On entry:* if MODE = 2, FVECP must contain the value of the functions evaluated at XP (as output by a preceding call to C05ZDF with MODE = 1). If MODE = 1, FVECP is not referenced.
- 9: ERR(M) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array Output  
*On exit:* if MODE = 2, ERR contains measures of correctness of the respective gradients. If MODE = 1, ERR is undefined. If there is no loss of significance (see Section 7), then if ERR( $i$ ) is 1.0 the  $i$ th user-supplied gradient  $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}$ , for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  is correct, whilst if ERR( $i$ ) is 0.0 the  $i$ th gradient is incorrect. For values of ERR( $i$ ) between 0.0 and 1.0 the categorisation is less certain. In general, a value of ERR( $i$ ) > 0.5 indicates that the  $i$ th gradient is probably correct.
- 10: IFAIL – INTEGER Input/Output  
*On entry:* IFAIL must be set to 0, -1 or 1. If you are unfamiliar with this argument you should refer to Section 3.4 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation 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, if you are not familiar with this argument, the recommended value is 0. **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).

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

IFAIL = 1

On entry, MODE =  $\langle value \rangle$ .  
 Constraint: MODE = 1 or 2.

IFAIL = 2

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

IFAIL = 3

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

IFAIL = -99

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

See Section 3.9 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation for further information.

IFAIL = -399

Your licence key may have expired or may not have been installed correctly.

See Section 3.8 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation for further information.

IFAIL = -999

Dynamic memory allocation failed.

See Section 3.7 in How to Use the NAG Library and its Documentation for further information.

## 7 Accuracy

C05ZDF does not perform reliably if cancellation or rounding errors cause a severe loss of significance in the evaluation of a function. Therefore, none of the components of  $x$  should be unusually small (in particular, zero) or any other value which may cause loss of significance. The relative differences between corresponding elements of FVECP and FVEC should be at least two orders of magnitude greater than the *machine precision* returned by X02AJF.

## 8 Parallelism and Performance

C05ZDF is not threaded in any implementation.

## 9 Further Comments

The time required by C05ZDF increases with M and N.

## 10 Example

This example checks the Jacobian matrix for a problem with 15 functions of 3 variables (sometimes referred to as the Bard problem).

### 10.1 Program Text

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! C05ZDF Example Program Text
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Module c05zdf_mod

! C05ZDF Example Program Module:
! Parameters and User-defined Routines

! .. Use Statements ..
Use nag_library, Only: nag_wp
! .. Implicit None Statement ..
Implicit None
! .. Accessibility Statements ..
Private
Public :: get_fjac, get_fvec
! .. Parameters ..
Integer, Parameter, Public :: m = 15, n = 3, nout = 6
Contains
Subroutine get_fvec(x,fvec)

! .. Array Arguments ..
Real (Kind=nag_wp), Intent (Out) :: fvec(:)
Real (Kind=nag_wp), Intent (In) :: x(:)
! .. Local Scalars ..
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      Real (Kind=nag_wp)          :: u, v, w
      Integer                     :: i
! .. Local Arrays ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable :: y(:)
! .. Intrinsic Procedures ..
      Intrinsic                   :: min, real
! .. Executable Statements ..
      Allocate (y(m))

      y(1:m) = real((/14,18,22,25,29,32,35,39,47,58,73,96,134,210,439/), &
        kind=nag_wp)
      y(1:m) = y(1:m)*0.01_nag_wp

      Do i = 1, m
        u = real(i,kind=nag_wp)
        v = real(m+1-i,kind=nag_wp)
        w = min(u,v)
        fvec(i) = y(i) - (x(1)+u/(v*x(2)+w*x(3)))
      End Do

      Return
End Subroutine get_fvec
Subroutine get_fjac(x,fjac)

! .. Array Arguments ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Intent (Inout) :: fjac(:, :)
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Intent (In) :: x(:)
! .. Local Scalars ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp)          :: denom, u, v, w
      Integer                     :: i
! .. Intrinsic Procedures ..
      Intrinsic                   :: min, real
! .. Executable Statements ..
      Do i = 1, m
        u = real(i,kind=nag_wp)
        v = real(m+1-i,kind=nag_wp)
        w = min(u,v)
        denom = (v*x(2)+w*x(3))**(-2)
        fjac(i,1:n) = (/ -1.0E0_nag_wp, u*v*denom, u*w*denom /)
      End Do

      Return
End Subroutine get_fjac
End Module c05zdfe_mod
Program c05zdfe

! C05ZDF Example Main Program

! .. Use Statements ..
Use nag_library, Only: c05zdf, nag_wp
Use c05zdfe_mod, Only: get_fjac, get_fvec, m, n, nout
! .. Implicit None Statement ..
Implicit None
! .. Local Scalars ..
Integer                     :: i, ifail, mode
! .. Local Arrays ..
Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable :: err(:), fjac(:, :), fvec(:), &
      fvecp(:), x(:), xp(:)
! .. Intrinsic Procedures ..
Intrinsic                   :: any
! .. Executable Statements ..
Write (nout,*) 'C05ZDF Example Program Results'

Allocate (err(m),fjac(m,n),fvec(m),fvecp(m),x(n),xp(n))

! Point at which to check gradients:

x(1:n) = (/0.92_nag_wp,0.13_nag_wp,0.54_nag_wp/)

mode = 1

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ifail = 0
Call c05zdf(mode,m,n,x,fvec,fjac,xp,fvecp,err,ifail)

Call get_fvec(x,fvec)

Call get_fvec(xp,fvecp)

Call get_fjac(x,fjac)

mode = 2

ifail = 0
Call c05zdf(mode,m,n,x,fvec,fjac,xp,fvecp,err,ifail)

Write (nout,*)
Write (nout,99999) 'At point ', (x(i),i=1,n), ', '

If (any(err(1:m)<=0.5_nag_wp)) Then

  Do i = 1, m

    If (err(i)<=0.5_nag_wp) Then
      Write (nout,99998) 'suspicious gradient number ', i,      &
        ' with error measure ', err(i)
    End If

  End Do

Else
  Write (nout,99997) 'gradients appear correct'
End If

99999 Format (1X,A,3F12.4,A)
99998 Format (1X,A,I5,A,F12.4)
99997 Format (1X,A)
End Program c05zdf

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## 10.2 Program Data

None.

## 10.3 Program Results

C05ZDF Example Program Results

At point            0.9200            0.1300            0.5400,  
gradients appear correct

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