NAG Library Routine Document

F01GAF

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

F01GAF computes the action of the matrix exponential e^{tA}, on the matrix B, where A is a real n by n matrix, B is a real n by m matrix and t is a real scalar.

2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F01GAF (N, M, A, LDA, B, LDB, T, IFAIL)

INTEGER          N, M, LDA, LDB, IFAIL
REAL (KIND=nag_wp) A(LDA,*), B(LDB,*), T
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3 Description

$e^{tA}B$ is computed using the algorithm described in Al–Mohy and Higham (2011) which uses a truncated Taylor series to compute the product $e^{tA}B$ without explicitly forming e^{tA}.

4 References

Al–Mohy A H and Higham N J (2011) Computing the action of the matrix exponential, with an application to exponential integrators *SIAM J. Sci. Statist. Comput.* **33(2)** 488-511

Higham N J (2008) *Functions of Matrices: Theory and Computation* SIAM, Philadelphia, PA, USA

5 Arguments

1:     N – INTEGER   *Input*

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

   Constraint: $N \geq 0$.

2:     M – INTEGER   *Input*

   On entry: m, the number of columns of the matrix B.

   Constraint: $M \geq 0$.

3:     A(LDA, ∗) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array   *Input/Output*

   Note: the second dimension of the array A must be at least N.

   On entry: the n by n matrix A.

   On exit: A is overwritten during the computation.

4:     LDA – INTEGER   *Input*

   On entry: the first dimension of the array A as declared in the (sub)program from which F01GAF is called.

   Constraint: $LDA \geq N$.

5:     B(LDB, ∗) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array   *Input/Output*

   Note: the second dimension of the array B must be at least M.

   On entry: the n by m matrix B.

   On exit: the n by m matrix $e^{tA}B$.

6:     LDB – INTEGER   *Input*

   On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F01GAF is called.

   Constraint: $LDB \geq N$.

7:     T – REAL (KIND=nag_wp)   *Input*

   On entry: the scalar t.

8:     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 = 2

   $e^{tA}B$ has been computed using an IEEE double precision Taylor series, although the arithmetic precision is higher than IEEE double precision.

IFAIL = −1

   On entry, N = ⟨*value*⟩.
   Constraint: $N \geq 0$.

IFAIL = −2

   On entry, M = ⟨*value*⟩.
   Constraint: $M \geq 0$.

IFAIL = −4

   On entry, LDA = ⟨*value*⟩ and N = ⟨*value*⟩.
   Constraint: $LDA \geq N$.

IFAIL = −6

   On entry, LDB = ⟨*value*⟩ and N = ⟨*value*⟩.
   Constraint: $LDB \geq N$.

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

For a symmetric matrix A (for which $A^{\mathrm{T}} = A$) the computed matrix $e^{tA}B$ is guaranteed to be close to the exact matrix, that is, the method is forward stable. No such guarantee can be given for non-symmetric matrices. See Section 4 of Al–Mohy and Higham (2011) for details and further discussion.

8   Parallelism and Performance

F01GAF is threaded by NAG for parallel execution in multithreaded implementations of the NAG Library.

F01GAF 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.

9   Further Comments

The matrix $e^{tA}B$ could be computed by explicitly forming e^{tA} using F01ECF and multiplying B by the result. However, experiments show that it is usually both more accurate and quicker to use F01GAF.

The cost of the algorithm is $O(n^2 m)$. The precise cost depends on A since a combination of balancing, shifting and scaling is used prior to the Taylor series evaluation.

Approximately $n^2 + (2m + 8)n$ of real allocatable memory is required by F01GAF.

F01HAF can be used to compute $e^{tA}B$ for complex A, B, and t. F01GBF provides an implementation of the algorithm with a reverse communication interface, which returns control to the user when matrix multiplications are required. This should be used if A is large and sparse.

10   Example

This example computes $e^{tA}B$, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7 & -0.2 & 1.0 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 & 1.2 & 1.0 \\ 0.9 & 0.0 & 0.2 & 0.7 \\ 2.4 & 0.1 & 0.0 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 & 1.2 \\ 1.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.4 & -0.9 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$t = 1.2.$$

10.1 Program Text

```
    Program f01gafe

!     F01GAF Example Program Text

!     Mark 26 Release. NAG Copyright 2016.

!     .. Use Statements ..
      Use nag_library, Only: f01gaf, nag_wp, x04caf
!     .. Implicit None Statement ..
      Implicit None
!     .. Parameters ..
      Integer, Parameter          :: nin = 5, nout = 6
!     .. Local Scalars ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp)          :: t
      Integer                     :: i, ifail, lda, ldb, m, n
!     .. Local Arrays ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable  :: a(:,:), b(:,:)
!     .. Executable Statements ..
      Write (nout,*) 'F01GAF Example Program Results'
      Write (nout,*)
      Flush (nout)

!     Skip heading in data file
      Read (nin,*)
      Read (nin,*) n, m, t

      lda = n
      ldb = n

      Allocate (a(lda,n))
      Allocate (b(ldb,m))

!     Read A from data file
      Read (nin,*)(a(i,1:n),i=1,n)

!     Read B from data file
      Read (nin,*)(b(i,1:m),i=1,n)

!     Find exp(tA)B
      ifail = 0
      Call f01gaf(n,m,a,lda,b,ldb,t,ifail)

      If (ifail==0) Then
!       Print solution
        ifail = 0
        Call x04caf('G','N',n,m,b,ldb,'exp(tA)B',ifail)
      End If

    End Program f01gafe
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10.2 Program Data

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F01GAF Example Program Data

4    2    1.2                :Values of N, M and T

0.7   -0.2    1.0    0.3
0.3    0.7    1.2    1.0
0.9    0.0    0.2    0.7
2.4    0.1    0.0    0.2 :End of matrix A
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0.1    1.2
1.3    0.2
0.0    1.0
0.4   -0.9                    :End of matrix B
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10.3 Program Results

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F01GAF Example Program Results

exp(tA)B
            1         2
1     0.2138    7.6756
2     4.9980   11.6051
3     0.8307    7.5468
4     1.2406    9.7261
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