# NAG Library Routine Document F07JBF (DPTSVX)

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

F07JBF (DPTSVX) uses the factorization

$$A = LDL^{T}$$

to compute the solution to a real system of linear equations

$$AX = B$$

where A is an n by n symmetric positive definite tridiagonal matrix and X and B are n by r matrices. Error bounds on the solution and a condition estimate are also provided.

# 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F07JBF (FACT, N, NRHS, D, E, DF, EF, B, LDB, X, LDX, RCOND, FERR, BERR, WORK, INFO)

INTEGER

N, NRHS, LDB, LDX, INFO

REAL (KIND=nag_wp) D(*), E(*), DF(*), EF(*), B(LDB,*), X(LDX,*), RCOND, FERR(NRHS), BERR(NRHS), WORK(2*N)

CHARACTER(1) FACT
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The routine may be called by its LAPACK name dptsvx.

# 3 Description

F07JBF (DPTSVX) performs the following steps:

- 1. If FACT = 'N', the matrix A is factorized as  $A = LDL^{\mathsf{T}}$ , where L is a unit lower bidiagonal matrix and D is diagonal. The factorization can also be regarded as having the form  $A = U^{\mathsf{T}}DU$ .
- 2. If the leading i by i principal minor is not positive definite, then the routine returns with INFO = i. Otherwise, the factored form of A is used to estimate the condition number of the matrix A. If the reciprocal of the condition number is less than **machine precision**, INFO = N + 1 is returned as a warning, but the routine still goes on to solve for X and compute error bounds as described below.
- 3. The system of equations is solved for X using the factored form of A.
- 4. Iterative refinement is applied to improve the computed solution matrix and to calculate error bounds and backward error estimates for it.

## 4 References

Anderson E, Bai Z, Bischof C, Blackford S, Demmel J, Dongarra J J, Du Croz J J, Greenbaum A, Hammarling S, McKenney A and Sorensen D (1999) *LAPACK Users' Guide* (3rd Edition) SIAM, Philadelphia http://www.netlib.org/lapack/lug

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

Higham N J (2002) Accuracy and Stability of Numerical Algorithms (2nd Edition) SIAM, Philadelphia

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#### 5 Parameters

#### 1: FACT – CHARACTER(1)

Input

On entry: specifies whether or not the factorized form of the matrix A has been supplied.

FACT = 'F'

DF and EF contain the factorized form of the matrix A. DF and EF will not be modified.

FACT = 'N'

The matrix A will be copied to DF and EF and factorized.

Constraint: FACT = 'F' or 'N'.

#### 2: N – INTEGER

Input

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

Constraint: N > 0.

3: NRHS – INTEGER

Input

On entry: r, the number of right-hand sides, i.e., the number of columns of the matrix B.

Constraint: NRHS  $\geq 0$ .

# 4: $D(*) - REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array$

Input

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

On entry: the n diagonal elements of the tridiagonal matrix A.

#### 5: E(\*) - REAL (KIND=nag wp) array

Input

**Note**: the dimension of the array E must be at least max(1, N - 1).

On entry: the (n-1) subdiagonal elements of the tridiagonal matrix A.

# 6: DF(\*) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array

Input/Output

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

On entry: if FACT = 'F', DF must contain the n diagonal elements of the diagonal matrix D from the  $LDL^{T}$  factorization of A.

On exit: if FACT = 'N', DF contains the n diagonal elements of the diagonal matrix D from the  $LDL^{T}$  factorization of A.

# 7: EF(\*) - REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array

Input/Output

**Note**: the dimension of the array EF must be at least max(1, N - 1).

On entry: if FACT = 'F', EF must contain the (n-1) subdiagonal elements of the unit bidiagonal factor L from the  $LDL^{T}$  factorization of A.

On exit: if FACT = 'N', EF contains the (n-1) subdiagonal elements of the unit bidiagonal factor L from the  $LDL^{\mathsf{T}}$  factorization of A.

#### 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.

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#### 9: LDB – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F07JBF (DPTSVX) is called.

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

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

Output

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

On exit: if INFO = 0 or N + 1, the n by r solution matrix X.

#### 11: LDX - INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array X as declared in the (sub)program from which F07JBF (DPTSVX) is called.

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

# 12: RCOND - REAL (KIND=nag wp)

Output

On exit: the reciprocal condition number of the matrix A. If RCOND is less than the **machine precision** (in particular, if RCOND = 0.0), the matrix is singular to working precision. This condition is indicated by a return code of INFO = N + 1.

#### 13: FERR(NRHS) – REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array

Output

On exit: the forward error bound for each solution vector  $\hat{x}_j$  (the jth column of the solution matrix X). If  $x_j$  is the true solution corresponding to  $\hat{x}_j$ , FERR(j) is an estimated upper bound for the magnitude of the largest element in  $(\hat{x}_j - x_j)$  divided by the magnitude of the largest element in  $\hat{x}_j$ .

#### 14: BERR(NRHS) - REAL (KIND=nag\_wp) array

Output

On exit: the component-wise relative backward error of each solution vector  $\hat{x}_j$  (i.e., the smallest relative change in any element of A or B that makes  $\hat{x}_j$  an exact solution).

15:  $WORK(2 \times N) - REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array$ 

Workspace

16: INFO – INTEGER

Output

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

# 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

Errors or warnings detected by the routine:

INFO < 0

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

INFO > 0 and INFO  $\le N$ 

If INFO = i and  $i \le N$ , the leading minor of order i of A is not positive definite, so the factorization could not be completed, and the solution has not been computed. RCOND = 0.0 is returned.

INFO = N + 1

The diagonal matrix D is nonsingular, but RCOND is less than **machine precision**, meaning that the matrix is singular to working precision. Nevertheless, the solution and error bounds are computed because there are a number of situations where the computed solution can be more accurate than the value of RCOND would suggest.

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# 7 Accuracy

For each right-hand side vector b, the computed solution  $\hat{x}$  is the exact solution of a perturbed system of equations  $(A+E)\hat{x}=b$ , where

$$|E| \le c(n)\epsilon |R||R^{\mathsf{T}}|$$
, where  $R = LD^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ,

c(n) is a modest linear function of n, and  $\epsilon$  is the **machine precision**. See Section 10.1 of Higham (2002) for further details.

If x is the true solution, then the computed solution  $\hat{x}$  satisfies a forward error bound of the form

$$\frac{\|x-\hat{x}\|_{\infty}}{\|\hat{x}\|_{\infty}} \leq w_c \operatorname{cond}(A,\hat{x},b)$$

where  $\operatorname{cond}(A, \hat{x}, b) = \||A^{-1}|(|A||\hat{x}| + |b|)\|_{\infty}/\|\hat{x}\|_{\infty} \leq \operatorname{cond}(A) = \||A^{-1}||A|\|_{\infty} \leq \kappa_{\infty}(A)$ . If  $\hat{x}$  is the jth column of X, then  $w_c$  is returned in BERR(j) and a bound on  $\|x - \hat{x}\|_{\infty}/\|\hat{x}\|_{\infty}$  is returned in FERR(j). See Section 4.4 of Anderson et al. (1999) for further details.

#### **8** Further Comments

The number of floating point operations required for the factorization, and for the estimation of the condition number of A is proportional to n. The number of floating point operations required for the solution of the equations, and for the estimation of the forward and backward error is proportional to nr, where r is the number of right-hand sides.

The condition estimation is based upon Equation (15.11) of Higham (2002). For further details of the error estimation, see Section 4.4 of Anderson *et al.* (1999).

The complex analogue of this routine is F07JPF (ZPTSVX).

# 9 Example

This example solves the equations

$$AX = B$$
.

where A is the symmetric positive definite tridiagonal matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4.0 & -2.0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2.0 & 10.0 & -6.0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -6.0 & 29.0 & 15.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 15.0 & 25.0 & 8.0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 8.0 & 5.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 6.0 & 10.0 \\ 9.0 & 4.0 \\ 2.0 & 9.0 \\ 14.0 & 65.0 \\ 7.0 & 23.0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Error estimates for the solutions and an estimate of the reciprocal of the condition number of A are also output.

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#### 9.1 Program Text

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Program f07jbfe
     F07JBF Example Program Text
!
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1
      .. Use Statements .
     Use nag_library, Only: dptsvx, nag_wp, x04caf
!
      .. Implicit None Statement ..
     Implicit None
!
      .. Parameters ..
     Integer, Parameter
                                       :: nin = 5, nout = 6
      .. Local Scalars ..
     Real (Kind=nag_wp)
                                       :: rcond
                                       :: i, ifail, info, ldb, ldx, n, nrhs
     Integer
      .. Local Arrays ..
     Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable :: b(:,:), berr(:), d(:), df(:), e(:), &
                                          ef(:), ferr(:), work(:), x(:,:)
      .. Executable Statements ..
     Write (nout,*) 'F07JBF Example Program Results'
     Write (nout,*)
     Flush (nout)
     Skip heading in data file
     Read (nin,*)
     Read (nin,*) n, nrhs
     ldb = n
     ldx = n
     Allocate (b(ldb, nrhs), berr(nrhs), d(n), df(n), e(n-1), ef(n-1), ferr(nrhs), &
       work(2*n), x(ldx, nrhs))
     Read the lower bidiagonal part of the tridiagonal matrix A and
!
     the right hand side b from data file
     Read (nin,*) d(1:n)
     Read (nin,*) e(1:n-1)
     Read (nin,*)(b(i,1:nrhs),i=1,n)
     Solve the equations AX = B for X
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     The NAG name equivalent of dptsvx is f07jbf
     Call dptsvx('Not factored',n,nrhs,d,e,df,ef,b,ldb,x,ldx,rcond,ferr,berr, &
       work, info)
      If ((info==0) .Or. (info==n+1)) Then
       Print solution, error bounds and condition number
!
        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,*)
       Write (nout,*) 'Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)'
       Write (nout,99999) ferr(1:nrhs)
       Write (nout,*)
       Write (nout,*) 'Estimate of reciprocal condition number'
       Write (nout, 99999) rcond
       If (info==n+1) Then
         Write (nout,*)
         Write (nout,*) 'The matrix A is singular to working precision'
       End If
     Else
       Write (nout, 99998) 'The leading minor of order ', info, &
           is not positive definite'
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End If
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99999 Format (1X,1P,7E11.1)
99998 Format (1X,A,I3,A)
End Program f07jbfe
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#### 9.2 Program Data

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F07JBF Example Program Data
5 2 :Values of N and NRHS
4.0 10.0 29.0 25.0 5.0 :End of diagonal D
-2.0 -6.0 15.0 8.0 :End of sub-diagonal E
6.0 10.0
9.0 4.0
2.0 9.0
14.0 65.0
7.0 23.0 :End of matrix B
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#### 9.3 Program Results

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FO7JBF Example Program Results
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Solution(s)

1 2.5000 2.0000
2 2.0000 -1.0000
3 1.0000 -3.0000
4 -1.0000 6.0000
5 3.0000 -5.0000
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Backward errors (machine-dependent) 0.0E+00 7.4E-17

Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent) 2.4E-14 4.7E-14

Estimate of reciprocal condition number 9.5E-03

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