

# NAG Library Function Document

## nag\_1d\_ratnl\_eval (e01rbc)

### 1 Purpose

nag\_1d\_ratnl\_eval (e01rbc) evaluates continued fractions of the form produced by nag\_1d\_ratnl\_interp (e01rac).

### 2 Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nage01.h>

void nag_1d_ratnl_eval (Integer m, const double a[], const double u[],
    double x, double *f, NagError *fail)
```

### 3 Description

nag\_1d\_ratnl\_eval (e01rbc) evaluates the continued fraction

$$R(x) = a_1 + R_m(x)$$

where

$$R_i(x) = \frac{a_{m-i+2}(x - u_{m-i+1})}{1 + R_{i-1}(x)}, \quad \text{for } i = m, m-1, \dots, 2.$$

and

$$R_1(x) = 0$$

for a prescribed value of  $x$ . nag\_1d\_ratnl\_eval (e01rbc) is intended to be used to evaluate the continued fraction representation (of an interpolatory rational function) produced by nag\_1d\_ratnl\_interp (e01rac).

### 4 References

Graves–Morris P R and Hopkins T R (1981) Reliable rational interpolation *Numer. Math.* **36** 111–128

### 5 Arguments

- 1: **m** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:*  $m$ , the number of terms in the continued fraction.  
*Constraint:*  $m \geq 1$ .
- 2: **a[m]** – const double *Input*  
*On entry:* **a**[ $j-1$ ] must be set to the value of the parameter  $a_j$  in the continued fraction, for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ .
- 3: **u[m]** – const double *Input*  
*On entry:* **u**[ $j-1$ ] must be set to the value of the parameter  $u_j$  in the continued fraction, for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ . (The element **u**[ $m-1$ ] is not used).
- 4: **x** – double *Input*  
*On entry:* the value of  $x$  at which the continued fraction is to be evaluated.

- 5: **f** – double \* *Output*  
*On exit:* the value of the continued fraction corresponding to the value of  $x$ .
- 6: **fail** – NagError \* *Input/Output*  
 The NAG error argument (see Section 3.6 in the Essential Introduction).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

### NE\_ALLOC\_FAIL

Dynamic memory allocation failed.  
 See Section 3.2.1.2 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

### NE\_BAD\_PARAM

On entry, argument  $\langle value \rangle$  had an illegal value.

### NE\_INTERNAL\_ERROR

An internal error has occurred in this function. Check the function call and any array sizes. If the call is correct then please contact NAG for assistance.

An unexpected error has been triggered by this function. Please contact NAG.  
 See Section 3.6.6 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

### NE\_NO\_LICENCE

Your licence key may have expired or may not have been installed correctly.  
 See Section 3.6.5 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

### NE\_POLE\_PRESENT

$x$  corresponds to a pole of  $R(x)$ , or is very close.  $\mathbf{x} = \langle value \rangle$ .

## 7 Accuracy

See Section 7 in nag\_1d\_ratnl\_interp (e01rac).

## 8 Parallelism and Performance

Not applicable.

## 9 Further Comments

The time taken by nag\_1d\_ratnl\_eval (e01rbc) is approximately proportional to  $m$ .

## 10 Example

This example reads in the arguments  $a_j$  and  $u_j$  of a continued fraction (as determined by the example for nag\_1d\_ratnl\_interp (e01rac)) and evaluates the continued fraction at a point  $x$ .

### 10.1 Program Text

```
/* nag_1d_ratnl_eval (e01rbc) Example Program.
 *
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 *
 * Mark 7, 2001.
 */
```

```

#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nage01.h>

int main(void)
{
    /* Scalars */
    double    f, x;
    Integer   exit_status, i, m;
    NagError  fail;

    /* Arrays */
    double    *a = 0, *u = 0;

    exit_status = 0;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

    printf("nag_ld_ratnl_eval (e01rbc) Example Program Results\n");

    /* Skip heading in data file */
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%*[\n] ");
#else
    scanf("%*[\n] ");
#endif
    m = 4;

    /* Allocate memory */
    if (!(a = NAG_ALLOC(m, double)) ||
        !(u = NAG_ALLOC(m, double)))
    {
        printf("Allocation failure\n");
        exit_status = -1;
        goto END;
    }

    for (i = 1; i <= m; ++i)
#ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%lf", &a[i-1]);
#else
        scanf("%lf", &a[i-1]);
#endif
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%*[\n] ");
#else
    scanf("%*[\n] ");
#endif

    for (i = 1; i <= m - 1; ++i)
#ifdef _WIN32
        scanf_s("%lf", &u[i-1]);
#else
        scanf("%lf", &u[i-1]);
#endif
#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%*[\n] ");
#else
    scanf("%*[\n] ");
#endif

#ifdef _WIN32
    scanf_s("%lf%*[\n] ", &x);
#else
    scanf("%lf%*[\n] ", &x);
#endif

    printf("\n");
    printf("x = %13.4e\n", x);
}

```

```
/* nag_ld_ratnl_eval (e01rbc).
 * Interpolated values, evaluate rational interpolant
 * computed by nag_ld_ratnl_interp (e01rac), one variable
 */
nag_ld_ratnl_eval(m, a, u, x, &f, &fail);
if (fail.code == NE_NOERROR)
{
    printf("\n");
    printf("The value of R(x) is %13.4e\n", f);
}
else
{
    printf("Error from nag_ld_ratnl_eval (e01rbc).\n%s\n",
        fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
}
END:
NAG_FREE(a);
NAG_FREE(u);

return exit_status;
}
```

## 10.2 Program Data

```
nag_ld_ratnl_eval (e01rbc) Example Program Data
 4.000  1.000  0.750 -1.000
 0.000  3.000  1.000
 6.000
```

## 10.3 Program Results

```
nag_ld_ratnl_eval (e01rbc) Example Program Results
x = 6.0000e+00
The value of R(x) is 1.7714e+01
```

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