# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document D06AAF

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

D06AAF generates a triangular mesh of a closed polygonal region of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , given a mesh of its boundary. It uses a simple incremental method.

# 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE D06AAF(NVB, NVMAX, NEDGE, EDGE, NV, NELT, COOR, CONN, BSPACE,

SMOOTH, COEF, POWER, ITRACE, RWORK, LRWORK, IWORK,

LIWORK, IFAIL)

INTEGER

NVB, NVMAX, NEDGE, EDGE(3,NEDGE), NV, NELT,

CONN(3,2*NVMAX-1), ITRACE, LRWORK, IWORK(LIWORK),

LIWORK, IFAIL

real

COOR(2,NVMAX), BSPACE(NVB), COEF, POWER, RWORK(LRWORK)

LOGICAL
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# 3 Description

D06AAF generates the set of interior vertices using a process based on a simple incremental method. A smoothing of the mesh is optionally available. For more details about the triangulation method, consult the D06 Chapter Introduction as well as George and Borouchaki (1998).

This routine is derived from material in the MODULEF package from INRIA (Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et Automatique).

#### 4 References

George P L and Borouchaki H (1998) Delaunay Triangulation and Meshing: Application to Finite Elements Editions HERMES, Paris

#### 5 Parameters

1: NVB – INTEGER Input

On entry: the number of vertices in the input boundary mesh.

Constraint:  $3 \le NVB \le NVMAX$ .

2: NVMAX – INTEGER Input

On entry: the maximum number of vertices in the mesh to be generated.

3: NEDGE – INTEGER Input

On entry: the number of boundary edges in the input mesh.

Constraint: NEDGE  $\geq 1$ .

4: EDGE(3,NEDGE) – INTEGER array Input

On entry: the specification of the boundary edges. EDGE(1:2,j) contains the vertex number of the two end-points of the jth boundary edge. EDGE(3,j) is a user-supplied tag for the jth boundary edge and is not used by this routine.

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Constraint:  $1 \le \text{EDGE}(i, j) \le \text{NVB}$  and  $\text{EDGE}(1, j) \ne \text{EDGE}(2, j)$ , for i = 1, 2 and  $j = 1, \dots, \text{NEDGE}$ .

5: NV – INTEGER Output

On exit: the total number of vertices in the output mesh (including both boundary and interior vertices). If NVB = NVMAX, no interior vertices will be generated and NV = NVB.

6: NELT – INTEGER Output

On exit: the number of triangular elements in the mesh.

#### 7: COOR(2,NVMAX) – *real* array

Input/Output

On entry: COOR(1, i) contains the x-coordinate of the ith input boundary mesh vertex; while COOR(2, i) contains the corresponding y-coordinate, for i = 1, ..., NVB.

On exit: the input elements COOR(1:2,1:NVB) are unchanged. COOR(1,i) will contain the x-coordinate of the (i-NVB)th generated interior mesh vertex; while COOR(2,i) will contain the corresponding y-coordinate, for  $i=NVB+1,\ldots,NV$ .

#### 8: CONN(3,2\*NVMAX-1) – INTEGER array

Output

On exit: the connectivity of the mesh between triangles and vertices. For each triangle j, CONN(i,j) gives the indices in COOR of its three vertices (in anticlockwise order), for i=1,2,3 and  $j=1,\ldots,$  NELT.

#### 9: BSPACE(NVB) - *real* array

Input

On entry: the desired mesh spacing (triangle diameter, which is the length of the longer edge of the triangle) near the boundary vertices.

Constraint: BSPACE(i) > 0.0, for i = 1, ..., NVB.

#### 10: SMOOTH – LOGICAL

Input

*On entry*: indicates whether or not mesh smoothing should be performed. If SMOOTH = .TRUE., then the smoothing is performed; otherwise no smoothing is performed.

11: COEF – real Input

On entry: the coefficient in the stopping criteria for the generation of interior vertices. This parameter controls the triangle density and the number of triangles generated is in  $O(\text{COEF}^2)$ . The mesh will be finer if COEF is greater than 0.7165 and 0.75 is a good value.

Suggested value: 0.75

#### 12: **POWER** – *real*

Input

On entry: POWER controls the rate of change of the mesh size during the generation of interior vertices. The smaller the value of POWER, the faster the decrease in element size away from the boundary.

Suggested value: 0.25

*Constraint*:  $0.1 \leq POWER \leq 10.0$ .

#### 13: ITRACE - INTEGER

Input

On entry: the level of trace information required from D06AAF as follows:

if ITRACE  $\leq 0$ , no output is generated.

if  $ITRACE \ge 1$ , then output from the meshing solver is printed on the current advisory message unit (see X04ABF). This output contains details of the vertices and triangles generated by the process.

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Users are advised to set ITRACE = 0, unless they are experienced with the Finite Element meshes.

14: RWORK(LRWORK) – *real* array

Workspace

15: LRWORK – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the dimension of the array RWORK as declared in the (sub)program from which D06AAF is called.

*Constraint*: LRWORK ≥ NVMAX.

16: IWORK(LIWORK) – INTEGER array

Workspace

17: LIWORK – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the dimension of the array IWORK as declared in the (sub)program from which D06AAF is called.

Constraint: LIWORK  $\geq 16 \times \text{NVMAX} + 2 \times \text{NEDGE} + \text{max}(4 \times \text{NVMAX} + 2, \text{NEDGE}) - 14$ .

18: IFAIL – INTEGER

Input/Output

On entry: IFAIL must be set to 0, -1 or 1. Users who are unfamiliar with this parameter should refer to Chapter P01 for details.

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

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, for users not familiar with this parameter the recommended value is 0. When the value -1 or 1 is used it is essential to test the value of IFAIL on exit.

# 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:

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IFAIL = 1
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On entry, NVB < 3 or NVB > NVMAX, or NEDGE < 1, or EDGE(i,j) < 1 or EDGE(i,j) > NVB, for some i=1,2 and j=1,\ldots, NEDGE, or EDGE(1,j) = EDGE(2,j) for some j=1,\ldots, NEDGE, or BSPACE(i) < 0.0, for some i=1,\ldots, NVB, or POWER < 0.1 or POWER > 10.0, or LIWORK < 16 \times NVMAX + 2 \times NEDGE + max(4 \times NVMAX + 2 \times NEDGE) - 14, or LRWORK < NVMAX.
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## IFAIL = 2

An error has occurred during the generation of the interior mesh. Check the definition of the boundary (arguments COOR and EDGE) as well as the orientation of the boundary (especially in the case of a multiple connected component boundary). Setting ITRACE > 0 may provide more details.

#### 7 Accuracy

Not applicable.

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#### **8** Further Comments

The position of the internal vertices is a function of the vertices positions on the given boundary. A fine mesh at the level of the boundary introduces a fine mesh of the interior. The algorithm used in this routine allows the user to obtain a denser interior mesh, varying NVMAX, BSPACE, COEF and POWER. But the user is advised to manipulate with care the last two parameters.

To ensure correct functioning of the routine, the user is advised to set the boundary inputs properly, especially for a boundary with multiply connected components. The orientation of the interior boundaries should be in **clockwise** order and opposite to that of the exterior boundary. If the boundary has only one connected component, its orientation should be **anticlockwise**.

# 9 Example

In this example, a geometry with two holes (two interior circles inside an exterior one) is meshed using the simple incremental (see also the D06 Chapter Introduction). The exterior circle is centred at the origin with a radius 1.0, the first interior circle is centred at the point (-0.5, 0.0) with a radius 0.49, and the second one is centred at the point (-0.5, 0.65) with a radius 0.15. Note that the points (-1.0, 0.0) and (-0.5, 0.5) are points of 'near tangency' between the exterior circle and the first and second circles.

The boundary mesh has 100 vertices and 100 edges (see Figure 1). Note that the particular mesh generated could be sensitive to the machine precision and therefore may differ from one implementation to another. Figure 2 contains the output mesh.

#### 9.1 Program Text

**Note:** the listing of the example program presented below uses *bold italicised* terms to denote precision-dependent details. Please read the Users' Note for your implementation to check the interpretation of these terms. As explained in the Essential Introduction to this manual, the results produced may not be identical for all implementations.

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D06AAF Example Program Text
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*
      .. Parameters ..
      INTEGER
                       NIN, NOUT
     PARAMETER
                       (NIN=5, NOUT=6)
      INTEGER
                       NBEDMX, NVMAX, NELTMAX, LIWORK, LRWORK
                       (NBEDMX=100, NVMAX=250, NELTMAX=2*(NVMAX-1),
     PARAMETER
                       LIWORK=16*NVMAX+2*NBEDMX+(4*NVMAX+2)-14,
                       LRWORK=NVMAX)
      .. Local Scalars ..
     real
                       COEF, POWER
     INTEGER
                       I, I1, IFAIL, ITRACE, K, NEDGE, NELT, NV, NVB,
                       REFTK
     LOGICAL
                       SMOOTH
      CHARACTER
                       PMESH
      .. Local Arrays ..
     real
                       BSPACE(NVMAX), COOR(2,NVMAX), RWORK(LRWORK)
      TNTEGER
                       CONN(3,NELTMAX), EDGE(3,NBEDMX), IWORK(LIWORK)
      .. External Subroutines ..
     EXTERNAL
                       D06AAF
      .. Executable Statements ..
     WRITE (NOUT,*) 'D06AAF Example Program Results'
     WRITE (NOUT, *)
      Skip heading in data file
     READ (NIN, *)
     Reading of the geometry
      Coordinates of the boundary mesh vertices and
      edges references.
     READ (NIN, *) NVB, NEDGE
      IF (NVB.GT.NVMAX .OR. NEDGE.GT.NBEDMX) THEN
         WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Problem with the array dimensions '
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WRITE (NOUT,99999) ' NVB MAX ', NVB, NVMAX
         WRITE (NOUT, 99999) ' NEDGE MAX ', NEDGE, NBEDMX
         STOP
      END IF
      DO 20 I = 1, NVB
         READ (NIN,*) I1, COOR(1,I), COOR(2,I)
   20 CONTINUE
      Boundary edges
      DO 40 I = 1, NEDGE
         READ (NIN,*) I1, EDGE(1,I), EDGE(2,I), EDGE(3,I)
   40 CONTINUE
      Initialise mesh control parameters
      DO 60 I = 1, NVB
        BSPACE(I) = 0.05e0
   60 CONTINUE
      SMOOTH = .TRUE.
      ITRACE = 0
      COEF = 0.75e0
      POWER = 0.25e0
      Call to the mesh generator
      IFAIL = 0
     CALL DOGAAF (NVB, NVMAX, NEDGE, EDGE, NV, NELT, COOR, CONN, BSPACE, SMOOTH,
                  COEF, POWER, ITRACE, RWORK, LRWORK, IWORK, LIWORK, IFAIL)
      READ (NIN, *) PMESH
      IF (PMESH.EQ.'N') THEN
         WRITE (NOUT, 99998) 'NV
         WRITE (NOUT, 99998) 'NELT =', NELT
      ELSE IF (PMESH.EQ.'Y') THEN
      Output the mesh to view it using the NAG Graphics Library
         WRITE (NOUT, 99997) NV, NELT
         DO 80 I = 1, NV
            WRITE (NOUT, 99996) COOR(1,I), COOR(2,I)
   80
         CONTINUE
         REFTK = 0
         DO 100 K = 1, NELT
            WRITE (NOUT, 99995) CONN(1, K), CONN(2, K), CONN(3, K), REFTK
         CONTINUE
 100
      ELSE
         WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Problem with the printing option Y or N'
      END IF
      STOP
99999 FORMAT (1X,A,216)
99998 FORMAT (1X,A,I6)
99997 FORMAT (1X,2I10)
99996 FORMAT (2(2X,E12.6))
99995 FORMAT (1X,4110)
      END
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# 9.2 Program Data

**Note:** since the data file for this example is quite large only a section of it is reproduced in this document. The full data file is distributed with your implementation.

### 9.3 Program Results

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NV = 250

NELT = 402
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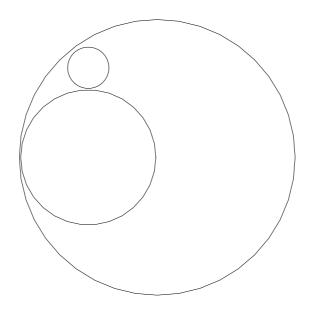


Figure 1
The boundary mesh of the geometry with two holes

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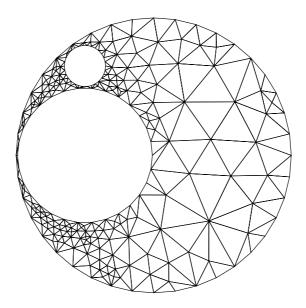


Figure 2
Interior mesh of the geometry with two holes

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