NAG Fortran Library Routine Document F04CAF

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

F04CAF computes the solution to a complex system of linear equations AX = B, where A is an n by n matrix and X and B are n by r matrices. An estimate of the condition number of A and an error bound for the computed solution are also returned.

2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE FO4CAF (N, NRHS, A, LDA, IPIV, B, LDB, RCOND, ERRBND, IFAIL)

INTEGER

N, NRHS, LDA, IPIV(*), LDB, IFAIL

double precision

RCOND, ERRBND
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3 Description

The LU decomposition with partial pivoting and row interchanges is used to factor A as A = PLU, where P is a permutation matrix, L is unit lower triangular, and U is upper triangular. The factored form of A is then used to solve the system of equations AX = B.

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 URL: http://www.netlib.org/lapack/lug

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

5 Parameters

1: N – INTEGER Input

On entry: the number of linear equations n, i.e., the order of the matrix A.

Constraint: $N \geq 0$.

2: NRHS – INTEGER Input

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

Constraint: NRHS ≥ 0 .

3: A(LDA,*) - complex*16 array Input/Output

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

On entry: the n by n coefficient matrix A.

On exit: if IFAIL ≥ 0 , the factors L and U from the factorization A = PLU; the unit diagonal elements of L are not stored.

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4: LDA – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array A as declared in the (sub)program from which F04CAF is called.

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

5: IPIV(*) - INTEGER array

Output

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

On exit: if IFAIL ≥ 0 , the pivot indices that define the permutation matrix P; at the ith step row i of the matrix was interchanged with row IPIV(i). IPIV(i) = i indicates a row interchange was not required.

6: B(LDB,*) - complex*16 array

Input/Output

Note: the second dimension of the array B must be at least max(1, NRHS). To solve the equations Ax = b, where b is a single right-hand side, B may be supplied as a one-dimensional array with length LDB = max(1, N).

On entry: the n by r matrix of right-hand sides B.

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

7: LDB – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F04CAF is called.

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

8: RCOND – double precision

Output

On exit: if IFAIL \geq 0, an estimate of the reciprocal of the condition number of the matrix A, computed as $\text{RCOND} = 1/(\|A\|_1 \|A^{-1}\|_1)$.

9: ERRBND – *double precision*

Output

On exit: if IFAIL = 0 or N + 1, an estimate of the forward error bound for a computed solution \hat{x} , such that $\|\hat{x} - x\|_1 / \|x\|_1 \le \text{ERRBND}$, where \hat{x} is a column of the computed solution returned in the array B and x is the corresponding column of the exact solution X. If RCOND is less than **machine precision**, then ERRBND is returned as unity.

10: 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.

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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 < 0 and IFAIL $\neq -999$

If IFAIL = -i, the *i*th argument had an illegal value.

IFAIL = -999

Allocation of memory failed. The *complex*16* allocatable memory required is $2 \times N$, and the *double precision* allocatable memory required is $2 \times N$. In this case the factorization and the solution X have been computed, but RCOND and ERRBND have not been computed.

IFAIL < 0 and IFAIL < N

If IFAIL = i, u_{ii} is exactly zero. The factorization has been completed, but the factor U is exactly singular, so the solution could not be computed.

IFAIL = N + 1

RCOND is less than *machine precision*, so that the matrix A is numerically singular. A solution to the equations AX = B has nevertheless been computed.

7 Accuracy

The computed solution for a single right-hand side, \hat{x} , satisfies an equation of the form

$$(A+E)\hat{x}=b,$$

where

$$||E||_1 = O(\epsilon)||A||_1$$

and ϵ is the *machine precision*. An approximate error bound for the computed solution is given by

$$\frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_1}{\|x\|_1} \le \kappa(A) \frac{\|E\|_1}{\|A\|_1},$$

where $\kappa(A) = \|A^{-1}\|_1 \|A\|_1$, the condition number of A with respect to the solution of the linear equations. F04CAF uses the approximation $\|E\|_1 = \epsilon \|A\|_1$ to estimate ERRBND. See Section 4.4 of Anderson *et al.* (1999) for further details.

8 Further Comments

The total number of floating-point operations required to solve the equations AX = B is proportional to $(\frac{2}{3}n^3 + n^2r)$. The condition number estimation typically requires between four and five solves and never more than eleven solves, following the factorization.

In practice the condition number estimator is very reliable, but it can underestimate the true condition number; see Section 15.3 of Higham (2002) for further details.

The real analogue of F04CAF is F04BAF.

9 Example

To solve the equations

$$AX = B$$
,

where

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -1.34 + 2.55i & 0.28 + 3.17i & -6.39 - 2.20i & 0.72 - 0.92i \\ -0.17 - 1.41i & 3.31 - 0.15i & -0.15 + 1.34i & 1.29 + 1.38i \\ -3.29 - 2.39i & -1.91 + 4.42i & -0.14 - 1.35i & 1.72 + 1.35i \\ 2.41 + 0.39i & -0.56 + 1.47i & -0.83 - 0.69i & -1.96 + 0.67i \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 26.26 + 51.78i & 31.32 - 6.70i \\ 6.43 - 8.68i & 15.86 - 1.42i \\ -5.75 + 25.31i & -2.15 + 30.19i \\ 1.16 + 2.57i & -2.56 + 7.55i \end{pmatrix}.$$

An estimate of the condition number of A and an approximate error bound for the computed solutions are also printed.

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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FO4CAF Example Program Text
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      Mark 21 Release. NAG Copyright 2004.
      .. Parameters ..
                      NIN, NOUT
      INTEGER
                      (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
     PARAMETER
      INTEGER
                     NMAX, NRHSMX
                      (NMAX=8,NRHSMX=2)
     PARAMETER
                      LDA, LDB
      INTEGER
                      (LDA=NMAX,LDB=NMAX)
     PARAMETER
      .. Local Scalars ..
     DOUBLE PRECISION ERRBND, RCOND
      INTEGER
                 I, IERR, IFAIL, J, N, NRHS
      .. Local Arrays ..
     COMPLEX *16 A(LDA,NMAX), B(LDB,NRHSMX)
INTEGER IPIV(NMAX)
CHARACTER CLABS(1), RLABS(1)
     .. External Subroutines .. EXTERNAL FO4CAF, XO4DBF
      .. Executable Statements ..
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F04CAF Example Program Results'
      WRITE (NOUT, *)
      Skip heading in data file
     READ (NIN, *)
      READ (NIN, *) N, NRHS
      IF (N.LE.NMAX .AND. NRHS.LE.NRHSMX) THEN
         Read A and B from data file
         READ (NIN,*) ((A(I,J),J=1,N),I=1,N)
         READ (NIN,*) ((B(I,J),J=1,NRHS),I=1,N)
         Solve the equations AX = B for X
         IFAIL = -1
         CALL FO4CAF(N, NRHS, A, LDA, IPIV, B, LDB, RCOND, ERRBND, IFAIL)
         IF (IFAIL.EQ.O) THEN
            Print solution, estimate of condition number and approximate
            error bound
            IERR = 0
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                        TERR)
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WRITE (NOUT, *)
           WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Estimate of condition number'
           WRITE (NOUT, 99999) 1.0D0/RCOND
           WRITE (NOUT, *)
           WRITE (NOUT, *)
             'Estimate of error bound for computed solutions'
           WRITE (NOUT, 99999) ERRBND
        ELSE IF (IFAIL.EQ.N+1) THEN
           Matrix is numerically singular. Print estimate of
           reciprocal of condition number and solution
           WRITE (NOUT, *)
           WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Estimate of reciprocal of condition number'
           WRITE (NOUT, 99999) RCOND
           WRITE (NOUT, *)
           IERR = 0
           ELSE IF (IFAIL.GT.O .AND. IFAIL.LE.N) THEN
           The upper triangualr matrix U is exactly singular. Print
           details of factorization
           WRITE (NOUT, *)
           IERR = 0
           CALL XO4DBF('General',' ',N,N,A,LDA,'Bracketed','F7.4',
                       'Details of factorization','Integer', RLABS,
                       'Integer', CLABS, 80,0, IERR)
           Print pivot indices
           WRITE (NOUT, *)
           WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Pivot indices'
           WRITE (NOUT, 99998) (IPIV(I), I=1, N)
        END IF
     ELSE
        WRITE (NOUT,*) 'NMAX and/or NRHSMX too small'
     END IF
     STOP
99999 FORMAT (8X,1P,E9.1)
99998 FORMAT ((1x,7111))
     END
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9.2 Program Data

FO4CAF Example Program Data

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4 2 :Values of N and NRHS

(-1.34, 2.55) (0.28, 3.17) (-6.39, -2.20) (0.72, -0.92) (-0.17, -1.41) (3.31, -0.15) (-0.15, 1.34) (1.29, 1.38) (-3.29, -2.39) (-1.91, 4.42) (-0.14, -1.35) (1.72, 1.35) (2.41, 0.39) (-0.56, 1.47) (-0.83, -0.69) (-1.96, 0.67) :End of matrix A

(26.26, 51.78) (31.32, -6.70) (6.43, -8.68) (15.86, -1.42) (-5.75, 25.31) (-2.15, 30.19) (1.16, 2.57) (-2.56, 7.55) :End of matrix B
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9.3 Program Results

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Solution
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1 ( 1.0000, 1.0000) ( -1.0000, -2.0000)
2 ( 2.0000, -3.0000) ( 5.0000, 1.0000)
3 ( -4.0000, -5.0000) ( -3.0000, 4.0000)
4 ( 0.0000, 6.0000) ( 2.0000, -3.0000)
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Estimate of condition number 1.5E+02

Estimate of error bound for computed solutions 1.7E-14

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