

# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document

## F07FGF (SPOCON/DPOCON)

**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

F07FGF (SPOCON/DPOCON) estimates the condition number of a real symmetric positive-definite matrix  $A$ , where  $A$  has been factorized by F07FDF (SPOTRF/DPOTRF).

### 2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE F07FGF(UPLO, N, A, LDA, ANORM, RCOND, WORK, IWORK, INFO)
ENTRY      spocon (UPLO, N, A, LDA, ANORM, RCOND, WORK, IWORK, INFO)
INTEGER    N, LDA, IWORK(*), INFO
real      A(LDA,*), ANORM, RCOND, WORK(*)
CHARACTER*1 UPLO
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The ENTRY statement enables the routine to be called by its LAPACK name.

### 3 Description

This routine estimates the condition number (in the 1-norm) of a real symmetric positive-definite matrix  $A$ :

$$\kappa_1(A) = \|A\|_1 \|A^{-1}\|_1.$$

Since  $A$  is symmetric,  $\kappa_1(A) = \kappa_\infty(A) = \|A\|_\infty \|A^{-1}\|_\infty$ .

Because  $\kappa_1(A)$  is infinite if  $A$  is singular, the routine actually returns an estimate of the **reciprocal** of  $\kappa_1(A)$ .

The routine should be preceded by a call to F06RCF to compute  $\|A\|_1$  and a call to F07FDF (SPOTRF/DPOTRF) to compute the Cholesky factorization of  $A$ . The routine then uses Higham's implementation of Hager's method (see Higham (1988)) to estimate  $\|A^{-1}\|_1$ .

### 4 References

Higham N J (1988) FORTRAN codes for estimating the one-norm of a real or complex matrix, with applications to condition estimation *ACM Trans. Math. Software* **14** 381–396

### 5 Parameters

1: UPLO – CHARACTER\*1 *Input*

*On entry:* indicates whether  $A$  has been factorized as  $U^T U$  or  $LL^T$  as follows:

if UPLO = 'U',  $A = U^T U$ , where  $U$  is upper triangular;

if UPLO = 'L',  $A = LL^T$ , where  $L$  is lower triangular.

*Constraint:* UPLO = 'U' or 'L'.

2: N – INTEGER *Input*

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

*Constraint:*  $N \geq 0$ .

- 3: A(LDA,\*) – *real* array Input  
**Note:** the second dimension of the array A must be at least  $\max(1, N)$ .  
*On entry:* the Cholesky factor of A, as returned by F07FDF (SPOTRF/DPOTRF).
- 4: LDA – INTEGER Input  
*On entry:* the first dimension of the array A as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FGF (SPOCON/DPOCON) is called.  
*Constraint:*  $LDA \geq \max(1, N)$ .
- 5: ANORM – *real* Input  
*On entry:* the 1-norm of the **original** matrix A, which may be computed by calling F06RCF. ANORM must be computed either **before** calling F07FDF (SPOTRF/DPOTRF) or else from a copy of the original matrix A.  
*Constraint:*  $ANORM \geq 0.0$ .
- 6: RCOND – *real* Output  
*On exit:* an estimate of the reciprocal of the condition number of A. RCOND is set to zero if exact singularity is detected or the estimate underflows. If RCOND is less than **machine precision**, A is singular to working precision.
- 7: WORK(\*) – *real* array Workspace  
**Note:** the dimension of the array WORK must be at least  $\max(1, 3 * N)$ .
- 8: IWORK(\*) – INTEGER array Workspace  
**Note:** the dimension of the array IWORK must be at least  $\max(1, N)$ .
- 9: 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 parameter had an illegal value. An explanatory message is output, and execution of the program is terminated.

## 7 Accuracy

The computed estimate RCOND is never less than the true value  $\rho$ , and in practice is nearly always less than  $10\rho$ , although examples can be constructed where RCOND is much larger.

## 8 Further Comments

A call to this routine involves solving a number of systems of linear equations of the form  $Ax = b$ ; the number is usually 4 or 5 and never more than 11. Each solution involves approximately  $2n^2$  floating-point operations but takes considerably longer than a call to F07FEF (SPOTRS/DPOTRS) with 1 right-hand side, because extra care is taken to avoid overflow when A is approximately singular.

The complex analogue of this routine is F07FUF (CPOCON/ZPOCON).

## 9 Example

To estimate the condition number in the 1-norm (or infinity-norm) of the matrix  $A$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4.16 & -3.12 & 0.56 & -0.10 \\ -3.12 & 5.03 & -0.83 & 1.18 \\ 0.56 & -0.83 & 0.76 & 0.34 \\ -0.10 & 1.18 & 0.34 & 1.18 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here  $A$  is symmetric positive-definite and must first be factorized by F07FDF (SPOTRF/DPOTRF). The true condition number in the 1-norm is 97.32.

### 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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*      F07FGF Example Program Text
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*      .. Parameters ..
      INTEGER          NIN, NOUT
      PARAMETER        (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
      INTEGER          NMAX, LDA
      PARAMETER        (NMAX=8,LDA=NMAX)
*      .. Local Scalars ..
      real              ANORM, RCOND
      INTEGER          I, INFO, J, N
      CHARACTER        UPLO
*      .. Local Arrays ..
      real              A(LDA,NMAX), WORK(3*NMAX)
      INTEGER          IWORK(NMAX)
*      .. External Functions ..
      real              F06RCF, X02AJF
      EXTERNAL          F06RCF, X02AJF
*      .. External Subroutines ..
      EXTERNAL          spocon, spotrf
*      .. Executable Statements ..
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F07FGF Example Program Results'
*      Skip heading in data file
      READ (NIN,*)
      READ (NIN,*) N
      IF (N.LE.NMAX) THEN
*
*          Read A from data file
*
*          READ (NIN,*) UPLO
*          IF (UPLO.EQ.'U') THEN
*              READ (NIN,*) ((A(I,J),J=I,N),I=1,N)
*          ELSE IF (UPLO.EQ.'L') THEN
*              READ (NIN,*) ((A(I,J),J=1,I),I=1,N)
*          END IF
*
*          Compute norm of A
*
*          ANORM = F06RCF('1-norm',UPLO,N,A,LDA,WORK)
*
*          Factorize A
*
*          CALL spotrf(UPLO,N,A,LDA,INFO)
*
*          WRITE (NOUT,*)
*          IF (INFO.EQ.0) THEN
*
*              Estimate condition number
*
*              CALL spocon(UPLO,N,A,LDA,ANORM,RCOND,WORK,IWORK,INFO)
*
*              IF (RCOND.GE.X02AJF()) THEN
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      +      WRITE (NOUT,99999) 'Estimate of condition number =',
            1.0e0/RCOND
      ELSE
        WRITE (NOUT,*) 'A is singular to working precision'
      END IF
    ELSE
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'A is not positive-definite'
    END IF
  END IF
STOP
*
99999 FORMAT (1X,A,1P,e10.2)
END

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## 9.2 Program Data

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4					:Value of N
'L'					:Value of UPLO
4.16					
-3.12	5.03				
0.56	-0.83	0.76			
-0.10	1.18	0.34	1.18		:End of matrix A

## 9.3 Program Results

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Estimate of condition number = 9.73E+01

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