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# F07FPF (ZPOSVX)

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

F07FPF (ZPOSVX) uses the Cholesky factorization

$$A = U^H U$$
 or  $A = LL^H$ 

to compute the solution to a complex system of linear equations

$$AX = B$$
,

where A is an n by n Hermitian positive-definite 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 F07FPF (FACT, UPLO, N, NRHS, A, LDA, AF, LDAF, EQUED, S, B, LDB, X, LDX, RCOND, FERR, BERR, WORK, RWORK, INFO)

INTEGER

N, NRHS, LDA, LDAF, LDB, LDX, INFO

double precision

S(*), RCOND, FERR(*), BERR(*), RWORK(*)

complex*16

CHARACTER*1

A(LDA,*), AF(LDAF,*), B(LDB,*), X(LDX,*), WORK(*)
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The routine may be called by its LAPACK name zposvx.

# 3 Description

The following steps are performed:

1. If FACT = 'E', real diagonal scaling factors,  $D_S$ , are computed to equilibrate the system:

$$(D_S A D_S) (D_S^{-1} X) = D_S B.$$

Whether or not the system will be equilibrated depends on the scaling of the matrix A, but if equilibration is used, A is overwritten by  $D_SAD_S$  and B by  $D_SB$ .

- 2. If FACT = 'N' or 'E', the Cholesky decomposition is used to factor the matrix A (after equilibration if FACT = 'E') as  $A = U^H U$ , if UPLO = 'U', or  $A = LL^H$ , if UPLO = 'L', where U is an upper triangular matrix and L is a lower triangular matrix.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The system of equations is solved for X using the factored form of A.
- 5. Iterative refinement is applied to improve the computed solution matrix and to calculate error bounds and backward error estimates for it.
- 6. If equilibration was used, the matrix X is premultiplied by  $D_S$  so that it solves the original system before equilibration.

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# 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

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

# 5 Parameters

#### 1: FACT – CHARACTER\*1

Input

On entry: specifies whether or not the factored form of the matrix A is supplied on entry, and if not, whether the matrix A should be equilibrated before it is factored:

if FACT = 'F' on entry, AF contains the factored form of A. If EQUED = 'Y', the matrix A has been equilibrated with scaling factors given by S. A and AF will not be modified;

if FACT = 'N', the matrix A will be copied to AF and factored;

if FACT = 'E', the matrix A will be equilibrated if necessary, then copied to AF and factored.

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

# 2: UPLO - CHARACTER\*1

Input

On entry: if UPLO = 'U', the upper triangle of A is stored.

If UPLO = 'L', the lower triangle of A is stored.

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

#### 3: N - INTEGER

Input

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

Constraint: N > 0.

# 4: NRHS – INTEGER

Input

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

*Constraint*: NRHS  $\geq 0$ .

#### 5: 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 Hermitian matrix A.

If FACT = 'F' and EQUED = 'Y', A must have been equilibrated by the scaling factor in S as  $D_SAD_S$ .

If UPLO = 'U', the leading n by n upper triangular part of A contains the upper triangular part of the matrix A, and the strictly lower triangular part of A is not referenced.

If UPLO = 'L', the leading n by n lower triangular part of A contains the lower triangular part of the matrix A, and the strictly upper triangular part of A is not referenced.

On exit: if FACT = 'E' and EQUED = 'Y', A is overwritten by  $D_SAD_S$ .

A is not modified if FACT = 'F' or 'N', or if FACT = 'E' and EQUED = 'N'.

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# 6: LDA – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array A as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FPF (ZPOSVX) is called.

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

# 7: AF(LDAF,\*) - complex\*16 array

Input/Output

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

On entry: if FACT = 'F', AF contains the triangular factor U or L from the Cholesky factorization  $A = U^H U$  or  $A = L L^H$ , in the same storage format as A. If EQUED  $\neq$  'N', AF is the factored form of the equilibrated matrix  $D_S A D_S$ .

On exit: if FACT = 'N', AF returns the triangular factor U or L from the Cholesky factorization  $A = U^H U$  or  $A = L L^H$  of the original matrix A.

If FACT = 'E', AF returns the triangular factor U or L from the Cholesky factorization  $A = U^H U$  or  $A = LL^H$  of the equilibrated matrix A (see the description of A for the form of the equilibrated matrix).

#### 8: LDAF – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array AF as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FPF (ZPOSVX) is called.

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

# 9: EQUED – CHARACTER\*1

Input/Output

On entry: if FACT = 'N' or 'E', EQUED need not be set.

If FACT = 'F', EQUED must specify the form of the equilibration that was performed as follows:

if EQUED = 'N', no equilibration;

if EQUED = 'Y', equilibration was performed, i.e., A has been replaced by  $D_SAD_S$ .

On exit: if FACT = 'F', EQUED is unchanged from entry.

Otherwise, if INFO  $\geq$  0, EQUED specifies the form of the equilibration that was performed as specified above.

Constraint: if FACT = 'F', EQUED = 'N' or 'Y'.

### 10: S(\*) – *double precision* array

Input/Output

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

On entry: if FACT = 'N' or 'E', S need not be set.

If FACT = 'F' and EQUED = 'Y', S must contain the scale factors,  $D_S$ , for A; each element of S must be positive.

On exit: if FACT = 'F', S is unchanged from entry.

Otherwise, if INFO  $\geq 0$  and EQUED = 'Y', S contains the scale factors,  $D_S$ , for A; each element of S is positive.

# 11: B(LDB,\*) - complex\*16 array

Input/Output

**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.

On exit: if EQUED = 'N', B is not modified.

If EQUED = 'Y', B is overwritten by  $D_SB$ .

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#### 12: LDB – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FPF (ZPOSVX) is called.

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

# 13: X(LDX,\*) - complex\*16 array

Output

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

On exit: if INFO = 0 or INFO = N + 1, the n by r solution matrix X to the original system of equations. Note that if EQUED = 'Y', A and B are modified on exit, and the solution to the equilibrated system is  $D_S^{-1}X$ .

#### 14: LDX – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array X as declared in the (sub)program from which F07FPF (ZPOSVX) is called.

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

#### 15: RCOND – double precision

Output

On exit: if INFO  $\geq 0$ , an estimate of the reciprocal condition number of the matrix A (after equilibration if that is performed), computed as  $\text{RCOND} = 1/\left(\|A\|_1 \|A^{-1}\|_1\right)$ .

# 16: FERR(\*) – *double precision* array

Output

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

On exit: if INFO = 0 or INFO = N + 1, an estimate of the forward error bound for each computed solution vector, such that  $\|\hat{x}_j - x_j\|_{\infty} / \|x_j\|_{\infty} \le \text{FERR}(j)$  where  $\hat{x}_j$  is the jth column of the computed solution returned in the array X and  $x_j$  is the corresponding column of the exact solution X. The estimate is as reliable as the estimate for RCOND, and is almost always a slight overestimate of the true error.

### 17: BERR(\*) – *double precision* array

Output

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

On exit: if INFO = 0 or INFO = N + 1, an estimate of the componentwise relative backward error of each computed 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).

# 18: WORK(\*) - complex\*16 array

Workspace

**Note**: the dimension of the array WORK must be at least  $max(1, 2 \times N)$ .

#### 19: RWORK(\*) – *double precision* array

Workspace

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

# 20: 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.

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INFO > 0 and INFO < N

If INFO = i, 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.

$$INFO = N + 1$$

U is nonsingular, but RCOND is less than *machine precision*, so that the matrix A is numerically singular. A solution to the equations AX = B, and corresponding error bounds, have nevertheless been computed because there are some situations where the computed solution can be more accurate that the value of RCOND would suggest.

# 7 Accuracy

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

$$|E| \le c(n)\epsilon |U^T||U|,$$

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

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

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

# **8** Further Comments

The factorization of A requires approximately  $\frac{4}{3}n^3$  floating point operations.

For each right-hand side, computation of the backward error involves a minimum of  $16n^2$  floating point operations. Each step of iterative refinement involves an additional  $24n^2$  operations. At most 5 steps of iterative refinement are performed, but usually only 1 or 2 steps are required. Estimating the forward error involves solving a number of systems of equations of the form Ax = b; the number is usually 4 or 5 and never more than 11. Each solution involves approximately  $8n^2$  operations.

The real analogue of this routine is F07FBF (DPOSVX).

# 9 Example

To solve the equations

$$Ax = b$$

where A is the Hermitian positive-definite matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3.23 & 1.51 - 1.92i & 1.90 + 0.84i & 0.42 + 2.50i \\ 1.51 + 1.92i & 3.58 & -0.23 + 1.11i & -1.18 + 1.37i \\ 1.90 - 0.84i & -0.23 - 1.11i & 4.09 & 2.33 - 0.14i \\ 0.42 - 2.50i & -1.18 - 1.37i & 2.33 + 0.14i & 4.29 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 3.93 - 6.14i & 1.48 + 6.58i \\ 6.17 + 9.42i & 4.64 - 4.75i \\ -7.17 - 21.83i & -4.91 + 2.29i \\ 1.99 - 14.38i & 7.64 - 10.79i \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Error estimates for the solutions, information on equilibration and an estimate of the reciprocal of the condition number of the scaled matrix A are also output.

### 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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FO7FPF Example Program Text
     Mark 21 Release. NAG Copyright 2004.
      .. Parameters ..
                       NIN, NOUT
      INTEGER
     PARAMETER
                       (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
      INTEGER
                       NMAX
      PARAMETER
                        (NMAX=8)
      INTEGER
                        LDA, LDAF, LDB, LDX, NRHSMX
     PARAMETER
                       (LDA=NMAX,LDAF=NMAX,LDB=NMAX,LDX=NMAX,
                       NRHSMX=NMAX)
      .. Local Scalars ..
      DOUBLE PRECISION RCOND
                       I, IFAIL, INFO, J, N, NRHS
      TNTEGER
      CHARACTER
                       EQUED
      .. Local Arrays ..
     COMPLEX *16 A(LDA,NMAX), AF(LDAF,NMAX), B(LDB,NRHSMX), WORK(2*NMAX), X(LDX,NRHSMX)
     DOUBLE PRECISION BERR(NRHSMX), FERR(NRHSMX), RWORK(NMAX), S(NMAX)
      CHARACTER
                       CLABS(1), RLABS(1)
      .. External Subroutines .. EXTERNAL X04DBF, ZPOSVX
      EXTERNAL
      .. Executable Statements ..
      WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F07FPF 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 the upper triangular part of A from data file
         READ (NIN, *) ((A(I,J), J=I, N), I=1, N)
         Read B from data file
         READ (NIN, *) ((B(I,J), J=1, NRHS), I=1, N)
         Solve the equations AX = B for X
         CALL ZPOSVX('Equilibration','Upper', N, NRHS, A, LDA, AF, LDAF, EQUED,
     +
                      S,B,LDB,X,LDX,RCOND,FERR,BERR,WORK,RWORK,INFO)
         IF ((INFO.EQ.O) .OR. (INFO.EQ.N+1)) THEN
            Print solution, error bounds, condition number and the form
            of equilibration
            TFATL = 0
            CALL X04DBF('General',' ',N,NRHS,X,LDX,'Bracketed','F7.4',
                         'Solution(s)','Integer',RLABS,'Integer',CLABS,
                         80,0,IFAIL)
            WRITE (NOUT, *)
            WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Backward errors (machine-dependent)'
            WRITE (NOUT, 99999) (BERR(J), J=1, NRHS)
            WRITE (NOUT, *)
            WRITE (NOUT, *)
              'Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)'
            WRITE (NOUT, 99999) (FERR(J), J=1, NRHS)
            WRITE (NOUT.*)
            WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Estimate of reciprocal condition number'
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WRITE (NOUT, 99999) RCOND
            WRITE (NOUT, *)
            IF (EQUED.EQ.'N') THEN
               WRITE (NOUT, *) 'A has not been equilibrated'
            ELSE IF (EQUED.EQ.'S') THEN
               WRITE (NOUT, *)
                 'A has been row and column scaled as diag(S)*A*diag(S)'
            END IF
            IF (INFO.EQ.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'
         END IF
      ELSE
         WRITE (NOUT,*) 'NMAX and/or NRHSMX too small'
     END IF
      STOP
99999 FORMAT ((3X,1P,7E11.1))
99998 FORMAT (1X,A,I3,A)
      END
```

# 9.2 Program Data

#### 9.3 Program Results

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F07FPF Example Program Results

Solution(s)

1 2

1 (1.0000,-1.0000) (-1.0000, 2.0000)
2 (-0.0000, 3.0000) (3.0000,-4.0000)
3 (-4.0000,-5.0000) (-2.0000, 3.0000)
4 (2.0000, 1.0000) (4.0000,-5.0000)

Backward errors (machine-dependent)
8.2E-17 4.3E-17

Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)
6.0E-14 7.3E-14

Estimate of reciprocal condition number
6.6E-03

A has not been equilibrated
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