# NAG Fortran Library Routine Document F07PHF (SSPRFS/DSPRFS)

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

F07PHF (SSPRFS/DSPRFS) returns error bounds for the solution of a real symmetric indefinite system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides, AX = B using packed storage. It improves the solution by iterative refinement, in order to reduce the backward error as much as possible.

## 2 Specification

```
SUBROUTINE FO7PHF(UPLO, N, NRHS, AP, AFP, IPIV, B, LDB, X, LDX, FERR, BERR, WORK, IWORK, INFO)

ENTRY ssprfs (UPLO, N, NRHS, AP, AFP, IPIV, B, LDB, X, LDX, FERR, BERR, WORK, IWORK, INFO)

INTEGER N, NRHS, IPIV(*), LDB, LDX, IWORK(*), INFO

real AP(*), AFP(*), B(LDB,*), X(LDX,*), FERR(*), BERR(*), 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 returns the backward errors and estimated bounds on the forward errors for the solution of a real symmetric indefinite system of linear equations with multiple right-hand sides AX = B, using packed storage. The routine handles each right-hand side vector (stored as a column of the matrix B) independently, so we describe the function of the routine in terms of a single right-hand side b and solution x.

Given a computed solution x, the routine computes the *component-wise backward error*  $\beta$ . This is the size of the smallest relative perturbation in each element of A and b such that x is the exact solution of a perturbed system

$$\begin{split} (A+\delta A)x &= b+\delta b\\ |\delta a_{ij}| &\leq \beta |a_{ij}| \quad \text{and} \quad |\delta b_i| \leq \beta |b_i|. \end{split}$$

Then the routine estimates a bound for the *component-wise forward error* in the computed solution, defined by:

$$\max_{i} |x_i - \hat{x}_i| / \max_{i} |x_i|$$

where  $\hat{x}$  is the true solution.

For details of the method, see the F07 Chapter Introduction.

#### 4 References

Golub G H and van Loan C F (1996) Matrix Computations (3rd Edition) Johns Hopkins University Press, Baltimore

#### 5 Parameters

#### 1: UPLO – CHARACTER\*1

Input

On entry: indicates whether the upper or lower triangular part of A is stored and how A is to be factorized, as follows:

if UPLO = 'U', the upper triangular part of A is stored and A is factorized as  $PUDU^TP^T$ , where U is upper triangular;

if UPLO = 'L', the lower triangular part of A is stored and A is factorized as  $PLDL^TP^T$ , where L is lower triangular.

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

#### 2: N – INTEGER

Input

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

Constraint:  $N \ge 0$ .

#### 3: NRHS – INTEGER

Input

On entry: r, the number of right-hand sides.

Constraint: NRHS  $\geq 0$ .

#### 4: AP(\*) - real array

Input

**Note:** the dimension of the array AP must be at least max(1, N\*(N+1)/2).

On entry: the n by n original symmetric matrix A as supplied to F07PDF (SSPTRF/DSPTRF).

#### 5: AFP(\*) - real array

Input

**Note:** the dimension of the array AFP must be at least max(1, N \* (N + 1)/2).

On entry: details of the factorization of A stored in packed form, as returned by F07PDF (SSPTRF/DSPTRF).

#### 6: IPIV(\*) – INTEGER array

Input

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

On entry: details of the interchanges and the block structure of D, as returned by F07PDF (SSPTRF/DSPTRF).

#### 7: B(LDB,\*) - real array

Input

**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.

### 8: LDB – INTEGER

Input

On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F07PHF (SSPRFS/DSPRFS) is called.

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

#### 9: X(LDX,\*) - real array

Input/Output

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

On entry: the n by r solution matrix X, as returned by F07PEF (SSPTRS/DSPTRS).

On exit: the improved solution matrix X.

10: LDX – INTEGER

On entry: the first dimension of the array X as declared in the (sub)program from which F07PHF (SSPRFS/DSPRFS) is called.

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

11: FERR(\*) - real array

Output

Input

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

On exit: FERR(j) contains an estimated error bound for the jth solution vector, that is, the jth column of X, for j = 1, 2, ..., r.

12: BERR(\*) – real array

Output

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

On exit: BERR(j) contains the component-wise backward error bound  $\beta$  for the jth solution vector, that is, the jth column of X, for j = 1, 2, ..., r.

13: WORK(\*) - real array

Workspace

**Note:** the dimension of the array WORK must be at least max(1, 3 \* N).

14: IWORK(\*) – INTEGER array

Workspace

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

15: 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 bounds returned in FERR are not rigorous, because they are estimated, not computed exactly; but in practice they almost always overestimate the actual error.

#### **8 Further Comments**

For each right-hand side, computation of the backward error involves a minimum of  $4n^2$  floating-point operations. Each step of iterative refinement involves an additional  $6n^2$  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 linear equations of the form Ax = b; the number is usually 4 or 5 and never more than 11. Each solution involves approximately  $2n^2$  operations.

The complex analogues of this routine are F07PVF (CHPRFS/ZHPRFS) for Hermitian matrices and F07QVF (CSPRFS/ZSPRFS) for symmetric matrices.

# 9 Example

To solve the system of equations AX = B using iterative refinement and to compute the forward and backward error bounds, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2.07 & 3.87 & 4.20 & -1.15 \\ 3.87 & -0.21 & 1.87 & 0.63 \\ 4.20 & 1.87 & 1.15 & 2.06 \\ -1.15 & 0.63 & 2.06 & -1.81 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} -9.50 & 27.85 \\ -8.38 & 9.90 \\ -6.07 & 19.25 \\ -0.96 & 3.93 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here A is symmetric indefinite, stored in packed form, and must first be factorized by F07PDF (SSPTRF/DSPTRF).

# 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.

```
FO7PHF Example Program Text
   Mark 15 Release. NAG Copyright 1991.
   .. Parameters ..
   INTEGER
                    NIN, NOUT
  PARAMETER
                    (NIN=5,NOUT=6)
  INTEGER NMAX, NRHMAX, LDB, LDX
PARAMETER (NMAX=8,NRHMAX=NMAX,LDB=NMAX,LDX=NMAX)
   .. Local Scalars ..
   INTEGER
                    I, IFAIL, INFO, J, N, NRHS
                   UPLO
   CHARACTER
   .. Local Arrays ..
  real
                    AFP(NMAX*(NMAX+1)/2), AP(NMAX*(NMAX+1)/2),
                    B(LDB, NRHMAX), BERR(NRHMAX), FERR(NRHMAX),
  WORK(3*NMAX), X(LDX,NMAX)
INTEGER IPIV(NMAX), IWORK(NMAX)
   .. External Subroutines ..
  EXTERNAL FO6QFF, ssptrf, ssptrs, X04CAF
   .. Executable Statements ..
   WRITE (NOUT,*) 'F07PHF Example Program Results'
   Skip heading in data file
   READ (NIN,*)
   READ (NIN, *) N, NRHS
   IF (N.LE.NMAX .AND. NRHS.LE.NRHMAX) THEN
      Read A and B from data file, and copy A to AFP and B to X
      READ (NIN,*) UPLO
      IF (UPLO.EQ.'U') THEN
         READ (NIN,*) ((AP(I+J*(J-1)/2),J=I,N),I=1,N)
      ELSE IF (UPLO.EQ.'L') THEN
         READ (NIN,*) ((AP(I+(2*N-J)*(J-1)/2),J=1,I),I=1,N)
      END IF
      READ (NIN, *) ((B(I,J), J=1, NRHS), I=1, N)
      DO 20 I = 1, N*(N+1)/2
         AFP(I) = AP(I)
20
      CONTINUE
      CALL F06QFF('General', N, NRHS, B, LDB, X, LDX)
      Factorize A in the array AFP
      CALL ssptrf(UPLO,N,AFP,IPIV,INFO)
      WRITE (NOUT, *)
      IF (INFO.EQ.O) THEN
         Compute solution in the array X
         CALL ssptrs (UPLO, N, NRHS, AFP, IPIV, X, LDX, INFO)
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Improve solution, and compute backward errors and
            estimated bounds on the forward errors
            CALL ssprfs (UPLO, N, NRHS, AP, AFP, IPIV, B, LDB, X, LDX, FERR, BERR,
                         WORK, IWORK, INFO)
            Print solution
            IFAIL = 0
            CALL XO4CAF('General',' ',N,NRHS,X,LDX,'Solution(s)',IFAIL)
            WRITE (NOUT, *)
            WRITE (NOUT,*) 'Backward errors (machine-dependent)'
            WRITE (NOUT, 99999) (BERR(J), J=1, NRHS)
            WRITE (NOUT, *)
              'Estimated forward error bounds (machine-dependent)'
            WRITE (NOUT, 99999) (FERR(J), J=1, NRHS)
            WRITE (NOUT,*) 'The factor D is singular'
         END IF
      END IF
      STOP
99999 FORMAT ((3X,1P,7e11.1))
      END
```

#### 9.2 Program Data

```
FO7PHF Example Program Data
 4,2
'L'
                            :Values of N and NRHS
                            :Value of UPLO
 2.07
      -0.21
 3.87
       1.87
              1.15
 4.20
-1.15
       0.63 2.06 -1.81 :End of matrix A
-9.50 27.85
-8.38
       9.90
-6.07 19.25
-0.96
       3.93
                            :End of matrix B
```

#### 9.3 Program Results