

# NAG Library Function Document

## nag\_real\_qr (f01qcc)

### 1 Purpose

nag\_real\_qr (f01qcc) finds the  $QR$  factorization of the real  $m$  by  $n$  matrix  $A$ , where  $m \geq n$ .

### 2 Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagf01.h>

void nag_real_qr (Integer m, Integer n, double a[], Integer tda,
                 double zeta[], NagError *fail)
```

### 3 Description

The  $m$  by  $n$  matrix  $A$  is factorized as

$$A = Q \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{when } m > n,$$

$$A = QR \quad \text{when } m = n,$$

where  $Q$  is an  $m$  by  $m$  orthogonal matrix and  $R$  is an  $n$  by  $n$  upper triangular matrix. The factorization is obtained by Householder's method. The  $k$ th transformation matrix,  $Q_k$ , which is used to introduce zeros into the  $k$ th column of  $A$  is given in the form

$$Q_k = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & T_k \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$T_k = I - u_k u_k^T,$$

$$u_k = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_k \\ z_k \end{pmatrix},$$

$\zeta_k$  is a scalar and  $z_k$  is an  $(m - k)$  element vector.  $\zeta_k$  and  $z_k$  are chosen to annihilate the elements below the triangular part of  $A$ .

The vector  $u_k$  is returned in the  $(k - 1)$ th element of the array **zeta** and in the  $(k - 1)$ th column of **a**, such that  $\zeta_k$  is in **zeta**[ $k - 1$ ] and the elements of  $z_k$  are in **a**[( $k \times \mathbf{tda} + k - 1$ ), ..., **a**[( $m - 1 \times \mathbf{tda} + k - 1$ )]. The elements of  $R$  are returned in the upper triangular part of **a**.  $Q$  is given by

$$Q = (Q_n Q_{n-1} \cdots Q_1)^T.$$

Good background descriptions to the  $QR$  factorization are given in Dongarra *et al.* (1979) and Golub and Van Loan (1996).

### 4 References

Dongarra J J, Moler C B, Bunch J R and Stewart G W (1979) *LINPACK Users' Guide* SIAM, Philadelphia

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

Wilkinson J H (1965) *The Algebraic Eigenvalue Problem* Oxford University Press, Oxford

## 5 Arguments

- 1: **m** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:*  $m$ , the number of rows of  $A$ .  
*Constraint:*  $m \geq n$ .
- 2: **n** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:*  $n$ , the number of columns of  $A$ .  
 When  $n = 0$  then an immediate return is effected.  
*Constraint:*  $n \geq 0$ .
- 3: **a[m × tda]** – double *Input/Output*  
*On entry:* the leading  $m$  by  $n$  part of the array **a** must contain the matrix to be factorized.  
*On exit:* the  $n$  by  $n$  upper triangular part of **a** will contain the upper triangular matrix  $R$  and the  $m$  by  $n$  strictly lower triangular part of **a** will contain details of the factorization as described in Section 3
- 4: **tda** – Integer *Input*  
*On entry:* the stride separating matrix column elements in the array **a**.  
*Constraint:*  $tda \geq n$ .
- 5: **zeta[n]** – double *Output*  
*On exit:* **zeta**[ $k - 1$ ] contains the scalar  $\zeta_k$  for the  $k$ th transformation. If  $T_k = I$  then **zeta**( $k - 1$ ) = 0.0, otherwise **zeta**[ $k - 1$ ] contains  $\zeta_k$  as described in Section 3 and  $\zeta_k$  is always in the range  $(1.0, \sqrt{2.0})$ .
- 6: **fail** – NagError \* *Input/Output*  
 The NAG error argument (see Section 3.6 in the Essential Introduction).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

### NE\_2\_INT\_ARG\_LT

On entry, **m** =  $\langle value \rangle$  while **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ . These arguments must satisfy  $m \geq n$ .

On entry, **tda** =  $\langle value \rangle$  while **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ . These arguments must satisfy  $tda \geq n$ .

### NE\_INT\_ARG\_LT

On entry, **n** =  $\langle value \rangle$ .

Constraint:  $n \geq 0$ .

## 7 Accuracy

The computed factors  $Q$  and  $R$  satisfy the relation

$$Q \begin{pmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = A + E$$

where  $\|E\| \leq c\epsilon\|A\|$ , and  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*,  $c$  is a modest function of  $m$  and  $n$  and  $\cdot$  denotes the spectral (two) norm.

## 8 Parallelism and Performance

Not applicable.

## 9 Further Comments

The approximate number of floating-point operations is given by  $2n^2(3m - n)/3$ .

## 10 Example

To obtain the  $QR$  factorization of the 5 by 3 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2.0 & 2.5 & 2.5 \\ 2.0 & 2.5 & 2.5 \\ 1.6 & -0.4 & 2.8 \\ 2.0 & -0.5 & 0.5 \\ 1.2 & -0.3 & -2.9 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 10.1 Program Text

```

/* nag_real_qr (f01qcc) Example Program.
 *
 * Copyright 1990 Numerical Algorithms Group.
 *
 * Mark 1, 1990.
 * Mark 8 revised, 2004.
 */

#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nagf01.h>

#define A(I, J) a[(I) *tda + J]
int main(void)
{
    Integer  exit_status = 0, i, j, m, n, tda;
    NagError fail;
    double   *a = 0, *zeta = 0;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

    printf("nag_real_qr (f01qcc) Example Program Results\n");
    scanf("%*[\n]"); /* skip headings in data file */
    scanf("%*[\n]");
    scanf("%ld%ld", &m, &n);
    if (n >= 0 && m >= n)
    {
        if (!(zeta = NAG_ALLOC(n, double)) ||
            !(a = NAG_ALLOC(m*n, double)))
        {
            printf("Allocation failure\n");
            exit_status = -1;
            goto END;
        }
        tda = n;
    }
    else
    {
        printf("Invalid n or m.\n");
        exit_status = 1;
        return exit_status;
    }
    scanf("%*[\n]"); /* skip next heading */
    for (i = 0; i < m; ++i) /* Read matrix A */
        for (j = 0; j < n; ++j)

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scanf("%lf", &A(i, j));

/* Find the QR factorization of A */
/* nag_real_qr (f01qcc).
 * QR factorization of real m by n matrix (m >= n)
 */
nag_real_qr(m, n, a, tda, zeta, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
{
    printf("Error from nag_real_qr (f01qcc).\n%s\n", fail.message);
    exit_status = 1;
    goto END;
}

printf("QR factorization of A\n\n");
printf("Vector zeta\n");
for (i = 0; i < n; ++i)
    printf(" %8.4f", zeta[i]);
printf("\n\n");
printf("Matrix A after factorization (upper triangular part is R)\n");
for (i = 0; i < m; ++i)
{
    for (j = 0; j < n; ++j)
        printf(" %8.4f", A(i, j));
    printf("\n");
}
END:
NAG_FREE(zeta);
NAG_FREE(a);
return exit_status;
}

```

## 10.2 Program Data

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nag_real_qr (f01qcc) Example Program Data
Values of m and n.
    5      3
Matrix A
    2.0    2.5    2.5
    2.0    2.5    2.5
    1.6   -0.4    2.8
    2.0   -0.5    0.5
    1.2   -0.3   -2.9

```

## 10.3 Program Results

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nag_real_qr (f01qcc) Example Program Results
QR factorization of A

Vector zeta
    1.2247    1.1547    1.2649

Matrix A after factorization (upper triangular part is R)
   -4.0000   -2.0000   -3.0000
    0.4082   -3.0000   -2.0000
    0.3266   -0.4619   -4.0000
    0.4082   -0.5774    0.0000
    0.2449   -0.3464   -0.6325

```

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