NAG Library Routine Document

G02HBF

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

G02HBF finds, for a real matrix X of full column rank, a lower triangular matrix A such that $(A^{\mathrm{T}}A)^{-1}$ is proportional to a robust estimate of the covariance of the variables. G02HBF is intended for the calculation of weights of bounded influence regression using G02HDF.

2 Specification

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SUBROUTINE G02HBF (UCV, N, M, X, LDX, A, Z, BL, BD, TOL, MAXIT, NITMON,     &
                   NIT, WK, IFAIL)
INTEGER            N, M, LDX, MAXIT, NITMON, NIT, IFAIL
REAL (KIND=nag_wp) UCV, X(LDX,M), A(M*(M+1)/2), Z(N), BL, BD, TOL,          &
                   WK(M*(M+1)/2)
EXTERNAL           UCV
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3 Description

In fitting the linear regression model

$$y = X\theta + \epsilon,$$

where y is a vector of length n of the dependent variable,

X is an n by m matrix of independent variables,

θ is a vector of length m of unknown parameters,

and ϵ is a vector of length n of unknown errors,

it may be desirable to bound the influence of rows of the X matrix. This can be achieved by calculating a weight for each observation. Several schemes for calculating weights have been proposed (see Hampel *et al.* (1986) and Marazzi (1987)). As the different independent variables may be measured on different scales one group of proposed weights aims to bound a standardized measure of influence. To obtain such weights the matrix A has to be found such that

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} u\left(\|z_i\|_2\right) z_i z_i^{\mathrm{T}} = I \quad (I \text{ is the identity matrix})$$

and

$$z_i = Ax_i,$$

where x_i is a vector of length m containing the elements of the ith row of X,

A is an m by m lower triangular matrix,

z_i is a vector of length m,

and u is a suitable function.

The weights for use with G02HDF may then be computed using

$$w_i = f\left(\|z_i\|_2\right)$$

for a suitable user-supplied function f.

G02HBF finds A using the iterative procedure

$$A_k = (S_k + I)A_{k-1},$$

where $S_k = \left(s_{jl}\right)$, for $j = 1, 2, \ldots, m$ and $l = 1, 2, \ldots, m$, is a lower triangular matrix such that

$$s_{jl} = \begin{cases} -\min\left[\max\left(h_{jl}/n, -BL\right), BL\right], & j > l \\ -\min\left[\max\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(h_{jj}/n - 1\right), -BD\right), BD\right], & j = l \end{cases}$$

$$h_{jl} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} u\left(\|z_i\|_2\right) z_{ij} z_{il}$$

and BD and BL are suitable bounds.

In addition the values of $\|z_i\|_2$, for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$, are calculated.

G02HBF is based on routines in ROBETH; see Marazzi (1987).

4 References

Hampel F R, Ronchetti E M, Rousseeuw P J and Stahel W A (1986) *Robust Statistics. The Approach Based on Influence Functions* Wiley

Huber P J (1981) *Robust Statistics* Wiley

Marazzi A (1987) Weights for bounded influence regression in ROBETH *Cah. Rech. Doc. IUMSP, No. 3 ROB 3* Institut Universitaire de Médecine Sociale et Préventive, Lausanne

5 Parameters

1: UCV – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) FUNCTION, supplied by the user. *External Procedure*

UCV must return the value of the function u for a given value of its argument. The value of u must be non-negative.

The specification of UCV is:

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FUNCTION UCV (T)
REAL (KIND=nag_wp) UCV
REAL (KIND=nag_wp) T
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1: T – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: the argument for which UCV must be evaluated.

UCV must either be a module subprogram USEd by, or declared as EXTERNAL in, the (sub)program from which G02HBF is called. Parameters denoted as *Input* must **not** be changed by this procedure.

2: N – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: n, the number of observations.

Constraint: N > 1.

3: M – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: m, the number of independent variables.

Constraint: $1 \leq \mathrm{M} \leq \mathrm{N}$.

4: X(LDX, M) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Input*

On entry: the real matrix X, i.e., the independent variables. $\mathrm{X}(i,j)$ must contain the ijth element of X, for $i = 1,2,\ldots,n$ and $j = 1,2,\ldots,m$.

5: LDX – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: the first dimension of the array X as declared in the (sub)program from which G02HBF is called.

Constraint: $\mathrm{LDX} \geq \mathrm{N}$.

6: A($\mathrm{M} \times (\mathrm{M}+1)/2$) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Input/Output*

On entry: an initial estimate of the lower triangular real matrix A. Only the lower triangular elements must be given and these should be stored row-wise in the array.

The diagonal elements must be $\neq 0$, although in practice will usually be > 0. If the magnitudes of the columns of X are of the same order the identity matrix will often provide a suitable initial value for A. If the columns of X are of different magnitudes, the diagonal elements of the initial value of A should be approximately inversely proportional to the magnitude of the columns of X.

On exit: the lower triangular elements of the matrix A, stored row-wise.

7: Z(N) – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Output*

On exit: the value $\|z_i\|_2$, for $i = 1,2,\ldots,n$.

8: BL – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: the magnitude of the bound for the off-diagonal elements of S_k.

Suggested value: $\mathrm{BL} = 0.9$.

Constraint: $\mathrm{BL} > 0.0$.

9: BD – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: the magnitude of the bound for the diagonal elements of S_k.

Suggested value: $\mathrm{BD} = 0.9$.

Constraint: $\mathrm{BD} > 0.0$.

10: TOL – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) *Input*

On entry: the relative precision for the final value of A. Iteration will stop when the maximum value of $\left|s_{jl}\right|$ is less than TOL.

Constraint: $\mathrm{TOL} > 0.0$.

11: MAXIT – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: the maximum number of iterations that will be used during the calculation of A.

A value of $\mathrm{MAXIT} = 50$ will often be adequate.

Constraint: $\mathrm{MAXIT} > 0$.

12: NITMON – INTEGER *Input*

On entry: determines the amount of information that is printed on each iteration.

NITMON > 0
The value of A and the maximum value of $\left|s_{jl}\right|$ will be printed at the first and every NITMON iterations.

NITMON ≤ 0
No iteration monitoring is printed.

When printing occurs the output is directed to the current advisory message unit (see X04ABF).

13: NIT – INTEGER *Output*

On exit: the number of iterations performed.

14: WK$(\mathrm{M} \times (\mathrm{M}+1)/2)$ – REAL (KIND=nag_wp) array *Workspace*

15: IFAIL – INTEGER *Input/Output*

On entry: IFAIL must be set to 0, -1 or 1. If you are unfamiliar with this parameter you should refer to Section 3.3 in the Essential Introduction for details.

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, if you are 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.**

On exit: IFAIL $= 0$ unless the routine detects an error or a warning has been flagged (see Section 6).

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 $= 1$

On entry, N ≤ 1,
or M < 1,
or N $<$ M,
or LDX $<$ N.

IFAIL $= 2$

On entry, TOL ≤ 0.0,
or MAXIT ≤ 0,
or diagonal element of A $= 0.0$,
or BL ≤ 0.0,
or BD ≤ 0.0.

IFAIL $= 3$

Value returned by UCV < 0.

IFAIL $= 4$

The routine has failed to converge in MAXIT iterations.

IFAIL $= -99$

An unexpected error has been triggered by this routine. Please contact NAG.

See Section 3.8 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

IFAIL $= -399$

Your licence key may have expired or may not have been installed correctly.

See Section 3.7 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

IFAIL $= -999$

Dynamic memory allocation failed.

See Section 3.6 in the Essential Introduction for further information.

7 Accuracy

On successful exit the accuracy of the results is related to the value of TOL; see Section 5.

8 Parallelism and Performance

G02HBF is not threaded by NAG in any implementation.

G02HBF makes calls to BLAS and/or LAPACK routines, which may be threaded within the vendor library used by this implementation. Consult the documentation for the vendor library for further information.

Please consult the X06 Chapter Introduction for information on how to control and interrogate the OpenMP environment used within this routine. Please also consult the Users' Note for your implementation for any additional implementation-specific information.

9 Further Comments

The existence of A will depend upon the function u; (see Hampel *et al.* (1986) and Marazzi (1987)), also if X is not of full rank a value of A will not be found. If the columns of X are almost linearly related then convergence will be slow.

10 Example

This example reads in a matrix of real numbers and computes the Krasker–Welsch weights (see Marazzi (1987)). The matrix A and the weights are then printed.

10.1 Program Text

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!   G02HBF Example Program Text
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    Module g02hbfe_mod

!     G02HBF Example Program Module:
!            Parameters and User-defined Routines

!     .. Use Statements ..
      Use nag_library, Only: nag_wp
!     .. Implicit None Statement ..
      Implicit None
!     .. Accessibility Statements ..
      Private
      Public                                :: ucv
!     .. Parameters ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Parameter, Public :: one = 1.0_nag_wp
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Parameter         :: two = 2.0_nag_wp
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      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Parameter        :: zero = 0.0_nag_wp
      Integer, Parameter, Public           :: iset = 1, nin = 5, nout = 6
    Contains
      Function ucv(t)
!       UCV function for Krasker-Welsch weights

!       .. Use Statements ..
        Use nag_library, Only: s15abf, x01aaf, x02akf
!       .. Function Return Value ..
        Real (Kind=nag_wp)                 :: ucv
!       .. Parameters ..
        Real (Kind=nag_wp), Parameter      :: ucvc = 2.5_nag_wp
!       .. Scalar Arguments ..
        Real (Kind=nag_wp), Intent (In)    :: t
!       .. Local Scalars ..
        Real (Kind=nag_wp)                 :: pc, pd, q, q2
        Integer                            :: ifail
!       .. Intrinsic Procedures ..
        Intrinsic                          :: exp, log, sqrt
!       .. Executable Statements ..
        ucv = one
        If (t/=zero) Then
          q = ucvc/t
          q2 = q*q
          ifail = 0
          pc = s15abf(q,ifail)
          If (q2<-log(x02akf())) Then
            pd = exp(-q2/two)/sqrt(x01aaf(zero)*two)
          Else
            pd = zero
          End If
          ucv = (two*pc-one)*(one-q2) + q2 - two*q*pd
        End If
        Return
      End Function ucv
    End Module g02hbfe_mod
    Program g02hbfe

!     G02HBF Example Main Program

!     .. Use Statements ..
      Use nag_library, Only: g02hbf, nag_wp, x04abf, x04ccf
      Use g02hbfe_mod, Only: iset, nin, nout, one, ucv
!     .. Implicit None Statement ..
      Implicit None
!     .. Local Scalars ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp)                 :: bd, bl, tol
      Integer                            :: i, ifail, la, ldx, m, maxit, n,  &
                                            nadv, nit, nitmon
!     .. Local Arrays ..
      Real (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable    :: a(:), wk(:), x(:,:), z(:)
!     .. Executable Statements ..
      Write (nout,*) 'G02HBF Example Program Results'
      Write (nout,*)
      Flush (nout)

!     Skip heading in data file
      Read (nin,*)

!     Read in the problem size
      Read (nin,*) n, m

      ldx = n
      la = (m+1)*m/2
      Allocate (x(ldx,m),a(la),wk(la),z(n))

!     Read in data
      Read (nin,*)(x(i,1:m),i=1,n)

!     Read in initial value of A
      Read (nin,*) a(1:la)
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!     Read in control parameters
      Read (nin,*) nitmon, bl, bd, maxit, tol

!     Set the advisory channel to NOUT for monitoring information
      If (nitmon/=0) Then
        nadv = nout
        Call x04abf(iset,nadv)
      End If

!     Calculate A
      ifail = 0
      Call g02hbf(ucv,n,m,x,ldx,a,z,bl,bd,tol,maxit,nitmon,nit,wk,ifail)

!     Display results
      Write (nout,99999) 'G02HBF required ', nit, ' iterations to converge'
      Write (nout,*)
      Flush (nout)
      ifail = 0
      Call x04ccf('Lower','Non-Unit',m,a,'Matrix A',ifail)
      Write (nout,*)
      Write (nout,*) 'Vector Z'
      Write (nout,99998)(z(i),i=1,n)
      Write (nout,*)
      Write (nout,*) 'Vector of Krasker-Welsch weights'
      Write (nout,99998)(one/z(i),i=1,n)

99999 Format (1X,A,I0,A)
99998 Format (1X,F9.4)
    End Program g02hbfe
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10.2 Program Data

```
G02HBF Example Program Data
    5    3                   : N,M
  1.0 -1.0 -1.0
  1.0 -1.0  1.0
  1.0  1.0 -1.0
  1.0  1.0  1.0
  1.0  0.0  3.0              : End of X1,X2 and X3 values
  1.0 0.0 1.0 0.0 0.0 1.0    : Initial values for A
0 0.9 0.9 50 5.0E-5          : NITMON,BL,BD,MAXIT,TOL
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10.3 Program Results

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 G02HBF Example Program Results

 G02HBF required 16 iterations to converge

 Matrix A
                1            2            3
 1    1.3208E+00
 2    1.7023E-17  -5.7532E-01
 3    1.4518E+00   2.7351E-17   9.3403E-01

 Vector Z
    2.4760
    1.9953
    2.4760
    1.9953
    2.5890

 Vector of Krasker-Welsch weights
    0.4039
    0.5012
    0.4039
    0.5012
    0.3862
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