

# NAG Toolbox for MATLAB

## f02ha

### 1 Purpose

f02ha computes all the eigenvalues, and optionally all the eigenvectors, of a complex Hermitian matrix.

### 2 Syntax

```
[a, w, ifail] = f02ha(job, uplo, a, 'n', n)
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### 3 Description

f02ha computes all the eigenvalues, and optionally all the eigenvectors, of a complex Hermitian matrix  $A$ :

$$Az_i = \lambda_i z_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

In other words, it computes the spectral factorization of  $A$ :

$$A = Z\Lambda Z^H,$$

where  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$ , and  $Z$  is a unitary matrix, whose columns are the eigenvectors  $z_i$ .

### 4 References

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

Parlett B N 1998 *The Symmetric Eigenvalue Problem* SIAM, Philadelphia

### 5 Parameters

#### 5.1 Compulsory Input Parameters

1: **job** – string

Indicates whether eigenvectors are to be computed.

**job** = 'N'

Only eigenvalues are computed.

**job** = 'V'

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors are computed.

*Constraint:* **job** = 'N' or 'V'.

2: **uplo** – string

Indicates whether the upper or lower triangular part of  $A$  is stored.

**uplo** = 'U'

The upper triangular part of  $A$  is stored.

**uplo** = 'L'

The lower triangular part of  $A$  is stored.

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

3: **a(lda,\*) – complex array**

The first dimension of the array **a** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$

The second dimension of the array must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$

The  $n$  by  $n$  Hermitian matrix  $A$ .

If **uplo** = 'U', the upper triangle of  $A$  must be stored and the elements of the array below the diagonal need not be set.

If **uplo** = 'L', the lower triangle of  $A$  must be stored and the elements of the array above the diagonal need not be set.

**5.2 Optional Input Parameters**1: **n – int32 scalar**

*Default:* The dimension of the array **n**.

$n$ , the order of the matrix  $A$ .

*Constraint:*  $\mathbf{n} \geq 0$ .

**5.3 Input Parameters Omitted from the MATLAB Interface**

lda, rwork, work, lwork

**5.4 Output Parameters**1: **a(lda,\*) – complex array**

The first dimension of the array **a** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$

The second dimension of the array must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$

If **job** = 'V', **a** contains the unitary matrix  $Z$  of eigenvectors, with the  $i$ th column holding the eigenvector  $z_i$  associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$  (stored in **w(i)**).

If **job** = 'N', the original contents of **a** are overwritten.

2: **w(\*) – double array**

**Note:** the dimension of the array **w** must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$ .

The eigenvalues in ascending order.

3: **ifail – int32 scalar**

0 unless the function detects an error (see Section 6).

**6 Error Indicators and Warnings**

Errors or warnings detected by the function:

**ifail** = 1

On entry, **job**  $\neq$  'N' or 'V',  
or **uplo**  $\neq$  'U' or 'L',  
or  $\mathbf{n} < 0$ ,  
or  $\mathbf{lda} < \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ ,  
or  $\mathbf{lwork} < \max(1, 2 \times \mathbf{n})$ .

**ifail** = 2

The *QR* algorithm failed to compute all the eigenvalues.

**ifail** = 3

For some  $i$ ,  $\mathbf{a}(i, i)$  has a nonzero imaginary part (thus  $A$  is not Hermitian).

## 7 Accuracy

If  $\lambda_i$  is an exact eigenvalue, and  $\tilde{\lambda}_i$  is the corresponding computed value, then

$$|\tilde{\lambda}_i - \lambda_i| \leq c(n)\epsilon\|A\|_2,$$

where  $c(n)$  is a modestly increasing function of  $n$ , and  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*.

If  $z_i$  is the corresponding exact eigenvector, and  $\tilde{z}_i$  is the corresponding computed eigenvector, then the angle  $\theta(\tilde{z}_i, z_i)$  between them is bounded as follows:

$$\theta(\tilde{z}_i, z_i) \leq \frac{c(n)\epsilon\|A\|_2}{\min_{i \neq j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|}.$$

Thus the accuracy of a computed eigenvector depends on the gap between its eigenvalue and all the other eigenvalues.

## 8 Further Comments

f02ha calls functions from LAPACK in Chapter F08. It first reduces  $A$  to real tridiagonal form  $T$ , using a unitary similarity transformation:  $A = QTQ^H$ . If only eigenvalues are required, the function uses a root-free variant of the symmetric tridiagonal  $QR$  algorithm. If eigenvectors are required, the function first forms the unitary matrix  $Q$  that was used in the reduction to tridiagonal form; it then uses the symmetric tridiagonal  $QR$  algorithm to reduce  $T$  to  $A$ , using a real orthogonal transformation:  $T = SAS^T$ ; and at the same time it accumulates the matrix  $Z = QS$ .

Each eigenvector  $z$  is normalized so that  $\|z\|_2 = 1$  and the element of largest absolute value is real and positive.

The time taken by the function is approximately proportional to  $n^3$ .

## 9 Example

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job = 'Vectors';
uplo = 'L';
a = [complex(-2.28, 0), complex(0, 0), complex(0, 0), complex(0, 0);
      complex(1.78, 2.03), complex(-1.12, 0), complex(0, 0), complex(0,
0);
      complex(2.26, -0.1), complex(0.01, -0.43), complex(-0.37, 0),
complex(0, 0);
      complex(-0.12, -2.53), complex(-1.07, -0.86), complex(2.31, +0.92),
complex(-0.73, +0)];
[aOut, w, ifail] = f02ha(job, uplo, a)

aOut =
    0.7299                -0.2120 + 0.1497i    0.1000 - 0.3570i    0.1991 +
0.4720i
   -0.1663 - 0.2061i    0.7307                0.2863 - 0.3353i   -0.2467 +
0.3751i
   -0.4165 - 0.1417i   -0.3291 + 0.0479i    0.6890                0.4468 +
0.1466i
   0.1743 + 0.4162i    0.5200 + 0.1329i    0.0662 + 0.4347i    0.5612
w =
   -6.0002
   -3.0030
    0.5036
    3.9996
ifail =

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