

# NAG Toolbox for MATLAB

## f07ba

### 1 Purpose

f07ba computes the solution to a real system of linear equations

$$AX = B,$$

where  $A$  is an  $n$  by  $n$  band matrix, with  $k_l$  subdiagonals and  $k_u$  superdiagonals, and  $X$  and  $B$  are  $n$  by  $r$  matrices.

### 2 Syntax

```
[ab, ipiv, b, info] = f07ba(kl, ku, ab, b, 'n', n, 'nrhs_p', nrhs_p)
```

### 3 Description

f07ba uses the  $LU$  decomposition with partial pivoting and row interchanges to factor  $A$  as  $A = PLU$ , where  $P$  is a permutation matrix,  $L$  is a product of permutation and unit lower triangular matrices with  $k_l$  subdiagonals, and  $U$  is upper triangular with  $(k_l + k_u)$  superdiagonals. The factored form of  $A$  is then used to solve the system of equations  $AX = B$ .

### 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

### 5 Parameters

#### 5.1 Compulsory Input Parameters

1: **kl** – **int32 scalar**

$k_l$ , the number of subdiagonals within the band of the matrix  $A$ .

*Constraint:* **kl**  $\geq 0$ .

2: **ku** – **int32 scalar**

$k_u$ , the number of superdiagonals within the band of the matrix  $A$ .

*Constraint:* **ku**  $\geq 0$ .

3: **ab(ldab,\*)** – **double array**

The first dimension of the array **ab** must be at least  $2 \times \mathbf{kl} + \mathbf{ku} + 1$

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

The  $n$  by  $n$  coefficient matrix  $A$ .

The matrix is stored in rows  $k_l + 1$  to  $2k_l + k_u + 1$ ; the first  $k_l$  rows need not be set, more precisely, the element  $A_{ij}$  must be stored in



## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

Errors or warnings detected by the function:

**info** =  $-i$

If **info** =  $-i$ , parameter  $i$  had an illegal value on entry. The parameters are numbered as follows:

1: **n**, 2: **kl**, 3: **ku**, 4: **nrhs\_p**, 5: **ab**, 6: **ldab**, 7: **ipiv**, 8: **b**, 9: **ldb**, 10: **info**.

It is possible that **info** refers to a parameter that is omitted from the MATLAB interface. This usually indicates that an error in one of the other input parameters has caused an incorrect value to be inferred.

**info** > 0

If **info** =  $i$ ,  $u_{ii}$  is exactly zero. The factorization has been completed, but the factor  $U$  is exactly singular, so the solution could not be computed.

## 7 Accuracy

The computed solution for a single right-hand side,  $\hat{x}$ , satisfies an equation of the form

$$(A + E)\hat{x} = b,$$

where

$$\|E\|_1 = O(\epsilon)\|A\|_1$$

and  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*. An approximate error bound for the computed solution is given by

$$\frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_1}{\|x\|_1} \leq \kappa(A) \frac{\|E\|_1}{\|A\|_1},$$

where  $\kappa(A) = \|A^{-1}\|_1 \|A\|_1$ , the condition number of  $A$  with respect to the solution of the linear equations. See Section 4.4 of Anderson *et al.* 1999 for further details.

Following the use of f07ba, f07bg can be used to estimate the condition number of  $A$  and f07bh can be used to obtain approximate error bounds. Alternatives to f07ba, which return condition and error estimates directly are f04bb and f07bb.

## 8 Further Comments

The band storage scheme for the array **ab** is illustrated by the following example, when  $n = 6$ ,  $k_l = 1$ , and  $k_u = 2$ . Storage of the band matrix  $A$  in the array **ab**:

*	*	*	+	+	+
*	*	$a_{13}$	$a_{24}$	$a_{35}$	$a_{46}$
*	$a_{12}$	$a_{23}$	$a_{34}$	$a_{45}$	$a_{56}$
$a_{11}$	$a_{22}$	$a_{33}$	$a_{44}$	$a_{55}$	$a_{66}$
$a_{21}$	$a_{32}$	$a_{43}$	$a_{54}$	$a_{65}$	*

Array elements marked \* need not be set and are not referenced by the function. Array elements marked + need not be set, but are defined on exit from the function and contain the elements  $u_{14}$ ,  $u_{25}$  and  $u_{36}$ .

The total number of floating-point operations required to solve the equations  $AX = B$  depends upon the pivoting required, but if  $n \gg k_l + k_u$  then it is approximately bounded by  $O(nk_l(k_l + k_u))$  for the factorization and  $O(n(2k_l + k_u)r)$  for the solution following the factorization.

The complex analogue of this function is f07bn.

## 9 Example



```
kl = int32(1);  
ku = int32(2);  
ab = [0, 0, 0, 0;  
      0, 0, -3.66, -2.13;  
      0, 2.54, -2.73, 4.07;  
      -0.23, 2.46, 2.46, -3.82;  
      -6.98, 2.56, -4.78, 0];  
b = [4.42;  
     27.13;  
     -6.14;  
     10.5];  
[abOut, ipiv, bOut, info] = f07ba(kl, ku, ab, b)
```

```
abOut =  
      0      0      0 -2.1300  
      0      0 -2.7300  4.0700  
      0  2.4600  2.4600 -3.8391  
 -6.9800  2.5600 -5.9329 -0.7269  
  0.0330  0.9605  0.8057      0  
ipiv =  
      2  
      3  
      3  
      4  
bOut =  
 -2.0000  
  3.0000  
  1.0000  
 -4.0000  
info =  
      0
```