

# NAG Toolbox for MATLAB

## f08wa

### 1 Purpose

f08wa computes for a pair of  $n$  by  $n$  real nonsymmetric matrices  $(A, B)$  the generalized eigenvalues and, optionally, the left and/or right generalized eigenvectors using the *QZ* algorithm.

### 2 Syntax

```
[a, b, alphas, alphas_i, beta, vl, vr, info] = f08wa(jobvl, jobvr, a, b, 'n', n)
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### 3 Description

A generalized eigenvalue for a pair of matrices  $(A, B)$  is a scalar  $\lambda$  or a ratio  $\alpha/\beta = \lambda$ , such that  $A - \lambda B$  is singular. It is usually represented as the pair  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , as there is a reasonable interpretation for  $\beta = 0$ , and even for both being zero.

The right eigenvector  $v_j$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$  of  $(A, B)$  satisfies

$$Av_j = \lambda_j Bv_j.$$

The left eigenvector  $u_j$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$  of  $(A, B)$  satisfies

$$u_j^H A = \lambda_j u_j^H B.$$

where  $u_j^H$  is the conjugate-transpose of  $u_j$ .

All the eigenvalues and, if required, all the eigenvectors of the generalized eigenproblem  $Ax = \lambda Bx$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are real, square matrices, are determined using the *QZ* algorithm. The *QZ* algorithm consists of four stages:

- (i)  $A$  is reduced to upper Hessenberg form and at the same time  $B$  is reduced to upper triangular form.
- (ii)  $A$  is further reduced to quasi-triangular form while the triangular form of  $B$  is maintained. This is the real generalized Schur form of the pair  $(A, B)$ .
- (iii) The quasi-triangular form of  $A$  is reduced to triangular form and the eigenvalues extracted. This function does not actually produce the eigenvalues  $\lambda_j$ , but instead returns  $\alpha_j$  and  $\beta_j$  such that

$$\lambda_j = \alpha_j / \beta_j, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

The division by  $\beta_j$  becomes your responsibility, since  $\beta_j$  may be zero, indicating an infinite eigenvalue. Pairs of complex eigenvalues occur with  $\alpha_j / \beta_j$  and  $\alpha_{j+1} / \beta_{j+1}$  complex conjugates, even though  $\alpha_j$  and  $\alpha_{j+1}$  are not conjugate.

- (iv) If the eigenvectors are required they are obtained from the triangular matrices and then transformed back into the original co-ordinate system.

### 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

Wilkinson J H 1979 Kronecker's canonical form and the *QZ* algorithm *Linear Algebra Appl.* **28** 285–303

## 5 Parameters

### 5.1 Compulsory Input Parameters

1: **jobvl – string**

If **jobvl** = 'N', do not compute the left generalized eigenvectors.

If **jobvl** = 'V', compute the left generalized eigenvectors.

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

2: **jobvr – string**

If **jobvr** = 'N', do not compute the right generalized eigenvectors.

If **jobvr** = 'V', compute the right generalized eigenvectors.

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

3: **a(lda,\*) – double 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 matrix  $A$  in the pair  $(A, B)$ .

4: **b(ldb,\*) – double array**

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

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

The matrix  $B$  in the pair  $(A, B)$ .

### 5.2 Optional Input Parameters

1: **n – int32 scalar**

*Default:* The first dimension of the arrays **a**, **b** and the second dimension of the arrays **a**, **b**. (An error is raised if these dimensions are not equal.)

$n$ , the order of the matrices  $A$  and  $B$ .

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

### 5.3 Input Parameters Omitted from the MATLAB Interface

lda, ldb, ldvl, ldvr, work, lwork

### 5.4 Output Parameters

1: **a(lda,\*) – double 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  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$

**a** has been overwritten.

2: **b(ldb,\*) – double array**

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

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

**b** has been overwritten.

3: **alphar(\*)** – double array

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

The element **alphar**( $j$ ) contains the real part of  $\alpha_j$ .

4: **alphai(\*)** – double array

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

The element **alphai**( $j$ ) contains the imaginary part of  $\alpha_j$ .

5: **beta(\*)** – double array

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

$(\mathbf{alphar}(j) + \mathbf{alphai}(j) \times i) / \mathbf{beta}(j)$ , for  $j = 1, \dots, \mathbf{n}$ , will be the generalized eigenvalues.

If **alphai**( $j$ ) is zero, then the  $j$ th eigenvalue is real; if positive, then the  $j$ th and  $(j + 1)$ st eigenvalues are a complex conjugate pair, with **alphai**( $j + 1$ ) negative.

**Note:** the quotients **alphar**( $j$ )/**beta**( $j$ ) and **alphai**( $j$ )/**beta**( $j$ ) may easily overflow or underflow, and **beta**( $j$ ) may even be zero. Thus, you should avoid naively computing the ratio  $\alpha_j / \beta_j$ . However,  $\max |\alpha_j|$  will always be less than and usually comparable with  $\|\mathbf{a}\|_2$  in magnitude, and  $\max |\beta_j|$  will always be less than and usually comparable with  $\|\mathbf{b}\|_2$ .

6: **vl(ldvl,\*)** – double array

The first dimension, **ldvl**, of the array **vl** must satisfy

if **jobvl** = 'V', **ldvl**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ ;  
**ldvl**  $\geq 1$  otherwise.

The second dimension of the array must be at least  $\max(1, \mathbf{n})$  if **jobvl** = 'V', and at least 1 otherwise

If **jobvl** = 'V', the left eigenvectors  $u_j$  are stored one after another in the columns of **vl**, in the same order as the corresponding eigenvalues.

If the  $j$ th eigenvalue is real, then  $u_j = \mathbf{vl}(:, j)$ , the  $j$ th column of **vl**.

If the  $j$ th and  $(j + 1)$ th eigenvalues form a complex conjugate pair, then  $u_j = \mathbf{vl}(:, j) + i \times \mathbf{vl}(:, j + 1)$  and  $u_{j+1} = \mathbf{vl}(:, j) - i \times \mathbf{vl}(:, j + 1)$ . Each eigenvector will be scaled so the largest component has  $|\text{real part}| + |\text{imag. part}| = 1$ .

If **jobvl** = 'N', **vl** is not referenced.

7: **vr(ldvr,\*)** – double array

The first dimension, **ldvr**, of the array **vr** must satisfy

if **jobvr** = 'V', **ldvr**  $\geq \max(1, \mathbf{n})$ ;  
**ldvr**  $\geq 1$  otherwise.

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

If **jobvr** = 'V', the right eigenvectors  $v_j$  are stored one after another in the columns of **vr**, in the same order as the corresponding eigenvalues.

If the  $j$ th eigenvalue is real, then  $v_j = \mathbf{vr}(:, j)$ , the  $j$ th column of **VR**.

If the  $j$ th and  $(j + 1)$ th eigenvalues form a complex conjugate pair, then  $v_j = \mathbf{vr}(:, j) + i \times \mathbf{vr}(:, j + 1)$  and  $v_{j+1} = \mathbf{vr}(:, j) - i \times \mathbf{vr}(:, j + 1)$ . Each eigenvector will be scaled so the largest component has  $|\text{real part}| + |\text{imag. part}| = 1$ .

If **jobvr** = 'N', **vr** is not referenced.

8: **info** – **int32 scalar**

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

## 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: **jobvl**, 2: **jobvr**, 3: **n**, 4: **a**, 5: **lda**, 6: **b**, 7: **ldb**, 8: **alphar**, 9: **alphai**, 10: **beta**, 11: **vl**, 12: **ldvl**, 13: **vr**, 14: **ldvr**, 15: **work**, 16: **lwork**, 17: **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** = 1 to  $N$

The  $QZ$  iteration failed. No eigenvectors have been calculated, but **alphar**( $j$ ), **alphai**( $j$ ), and **beta**( $j$ ) should be correct for  $j = \mathbf{info} + 1, \dots, \mathbf{n}$ .

**info** =  $N + 1$

Unexpected error returned from f08xe.

**info** =  $N + 2$

Error returned from f08yk.

## 7 Accuracy

The computed eigenvalues and eigenvectors are exact for a nearby matrices  $(A + E)$  and  $(B + F)$ , where

$$\|(E, F)\|F = O(\epsilon)\|(A, B)\|F,$$

and  $\epsilon$  is the *machine precision*. See Section 4.11 of Anderson *et al.* 1999 for further details.

**Note:** interpretation of results obtained with the  $QZ$  algorithm often requires a clear understanding of the effects of small changes in the original data. These effects are reviewed in Wilkinson 1979, in relation to the significance of small values of  $\alpha_j$  and  $\beta_j$ . It should be noted that if  $\alpha_j$  and  $\beta_j$  are **both** small for any  $j$ , it may be that no reliance can be placed on **any** of the computed eigenvalues  $\lambda_i = \alpha_i/\beta_i$ . You are recommended to study Wilkinson 1979 and, if in difficulty, to seek expert advice on determining the sensitivity of the eigenvalues to perturbations in the data.

## 8 Further Comments

The total number of floating-point operations is proportional to  $n^3$ .

The complex analogue of this function is f08wn.

## 9 Example

```
jobvl = 'No left vectors';
jobvr = 'Vectors (right)';
a = [3.9, 12.5, -34.5, -0.5;
     4.3, 21.5, -47.5, 7.5;
     4.3, 21.5, -43.5, 3.5;
     4.4, 26, -46, 6];
b = [1, 2, -3, 1;
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1, 3, -5, 4;
1, 3, -4, 3;
1, 3, -4, 4];
[aOut, bOut, alphas, alphai, beta, vl, vr, info] = f08wa(jobvl, jobvr, a,
b)

aOut =
    3.8009    31.3260   -61.4846   -66.8359
         0     3.3505    7.0744    6.6922
         0    -1.1918    1.4098    4.3790
         0         0         0     4.0000

bOut =
    1.9005   -1.0777   -5.6252   -9.9873
         0     1.1761         0     1.7511
         0         0     0.4474     1.0901
         0         0         0     1.0000

alphas =
    3.8009
    3.0301
    1.5629
    4.0000
alphai =
     0
    4.0401
   -2.0839
     0

beta =
    1.9005
    1.0100
    0.5210
    1.0000

vl =
     0

vr =
    1.0000   -0.4398   -0.5602   -1.0000
    0.0057   -0.0880   -0.1120   -0.0111
    0.0629   -0.1424    0.0031    0.0333
    0.0629   -0.1424    0.0031   -0.1556

info =
     0

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