# NAG Library Routine Document F08ANF (ZGELS) 

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

F08ANF (ZGELS) solves linear least squares problems of the form

$$
\min _{x}\|b-A x\|_{2} \quad \text { or } \quad \min _{x}\left\|b-A^{\mathrm{H}} x\right\|_{2}
$$

where $A$ is an $m$ by $n$ complex matrix of full rank, using a $Q R$ or $L Q$ factorization of $A$.

## 2 Specification

SUBROUTINE FO8ANF (TRANS, M, N, NRHS, A, LDA, B, LDB, WORK, LWORK, INFO)
INTEGER $M, N, N R H S, L D A, ~ L D B, ~ L W O R K, ~ I N F O$
COMPLEX (KIND=nag_wp) A (LDA, *) , B (LDB,*) , WORK (max (1,LWORK) )
CHARACTER (1) TRANS
The routine may be called by its LAPACK name zgels.

## 3 Description

The following options are provided:

1. If TRANS $=$ ' N ' and $m \geq n$ : find the least squares solution of an overdetermined system, i.e., solve the least squares problem

$$
\min _{x}\|b-A x\|_{2}
$$

2. If TRANS $=$ ' N ' and $m<n$ : find the minimum norm solution of an underdetermined system $A x=b$.
3. If TRANS $={ }^{\prime} \mathrm{C}^{\prime}$ and $m \geq n$ : find the minimum norm solution of an undetermined system $A^{\mathrm{H}} x=b$.
4. If TRANS $=$ ' $\mathrm{C}^{\prime}$ and $m<n$ : find the least squares solution of an overdetermined system, i.e., solve the least squares problem

$$
\min _{x}\left\|b-A^{\mathrm{H}} x\right\|_{2} .
$$

Several right-hand side vectors $b$ and solution vectors $x$ can be handled in a single call; they are stored as the columns of the $m$ by $r$ right-hand side matrix $B$ and the $n$ by $r$ solution matrix $X$.

## 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 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 Arguments

1: TRANS - CHARACTER(1)
Input
On entry: if TRANS $=$ ' N ', the linear system involves $A$.

If TRANS $=$ ' C ', the linear system involves $A^{\mathrm{H}}$.
Constraint: TRANS $=$ ' N ' or ' C '.

2: M - INTEGER
Input
On entry: $m$, the number of rows of the matrix $A$.
Constraint: $\mathrm{M} \geq 0$.
3: N - INTEGER
Input
On entry: $n$, the number of columns of the matrix $A$.
Constraint: $\mathrm{N} \geq 0$.
4: NRHS - INTEGER
Input
On entry: $r$, the number of right-hand sides, i.e., the number of columns of the matrices $B$ and $X$.
Constraint: NRHS $\geq 0$.
5: $\quad \mathrm{A}(\mathrm{LDA}, *)$ - COMPLEX (KIND=nag_wp) array
Input/Output
Note: the second dimension of the array $A$ must be at least $\max (1, N)$.
On entry: the $m$ by $n$ matrix $A$.
On exit: if $\mathrm{M} \geq \mathrm{N}$, A is overwritten by details of its $Q R$ factorization, as returned by F08ASF (ZGEQRF).
If $\mathrm{M}<\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{A}$ is overwritten by details of its $L Q$ factorization, as returned by F08AVF (ZGELQF).
6: LDA - INTEGER
Input
On entry: the first dimension of the array A as declared in the (sub)program from which F08ANF (ZGELS) is called.
Constraint: $\mathrm{LDA} \geq \max (1, \mathrm{M})$.
7: $\quad \mathrm{B}(\mathrm{LDB}, *)-\mathrm{COMPLEX}(\mathrm{KIND}=$ nag_wp) array
Input/Output
Note: the second dimension of the array B must be at least max (1, NRHS).
On entry: the matrix $B$ of right-hand side vectors, stored in columns; B is $m$ by $r$ if TRANS $=$ ' N ', or $n$ by $r$ if TRANS $=$ ' C '.
On exit: B is overwritten by the solution vectors, $x$, stored in columns:
if TRANS $=$ ' N ' and $m \geq n$, or TRANS $=$ ' C ' and $m<n$, elements 1 to $\min (m, n)$ in each column of B contain the least squares solution vectors; the residual sum of squares for the solution is given by the sum of squares of the modulus of elements $(\min (m, n)+1)$ to $\max (m, n)$ in that column;
otherwise, elements 1 to $\max (m, n)$ in each column of B contain the minimum norm solution vectors.

8: LDB - INTEGER
Input
On entry: the first dimension of the array B as declared in the (sub)program from which F08ANF (ZGELS) is called.

Constraint: $\mathrm{LDB} \geq \max (1, \mathrm{M}, \mathrm{N})$.
9: $\quad \operatorname{WORK}(\max (1$, LWORK $))$ - COMPLEX (KIND=nag_wp) array
Workspace
On exit: if $\mathrm{INFO}=0$, the real part of $\operatorname{WORK}(1)$ contains the minimum value of LWORK required for optimal performance.

On entry: the dimension of the array WORK as declared in the (sub)program from which F08ANF (ZGELS) is called.
If LWORK $=-1$, a workspace query is assumed; the routine only calculates the optimal size of the WORK array, returns this value as the first entry of the WORK array, and no error message related to LWORK is issued.

Suggested value: for optimal performance, LWORK $\geq \min (\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{N})+\max (1, \mathrm{M}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{NRHS}) \times n b$, where $n b$ is the optimal block size.
Constraint: LWORK $\geq \min (\mathrm{M}, \mathrm{N})+\max (1, \mathrm{M}, \mathrm{N}, \mathrm{NRHS})$ or LWORK $=-1$.
11: INFO - INTEGER
Output
On exit: INFO $=0$ unless the routine detects an error (see Section 6).

## 6 Error Indicators and Warnings

$\mathrm{INFO}<0$
If INFO $=-i$, argument $i$ had an illegal value. An explanatory message is output, and execution of the program is terminated.
$\mathrm{INFO}>0$
If INFO $=i$, diagonal element $i$ of the triangular factor of $A$ is zero, so that $A$ does not have full rank; the least squares solution could not be computed.

## 7 Accuracy

See Section 4.5 of Anderson et al. (1999) for details of error bounds.

## 8 Parallelism and Performance

F08ANF (ZGELS) is threaded by NAG for parallel execution in multithreaded implementations of the NAG Library.

F08ANF (ZGELS) 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 total number of floating-point operations required to factorize $A$ is approximately $\frac{8}{3} n^{2}(3 m-n)$ if $m \geq n$ and $\frac{8}{3} m^{2}(3 n-m)$ otherwise. Following the factorization the solution for a single vector $x$ requires $O\left(\min \left(m^{2}, n^{2}\right)\right)$ operations.
The real analogue of this routine is F08AAF (DGELS).

## 10 Example

This example solves the linear least squares problem

$$
\min _{x}\|b-A x\|_{2}
$$

where

$$
A=\left(\begin{array}{rrrr}
0.96-0.81 i & -0.03+0.96 i & -0.91+2.06 i & -0.05+0.41 i \\
-0.98+1.98 i & -1.20+0.19 i & -0.66+0.42 i & -0.81+0.56 i \\
0.62-0.46 i & 1.01+0.02 i & 0.63-0.17 i & -1.11+0.60 i \\
-0.37+0.38 i & 0.19-0.54 i & -0.98-0.36 i & 0.22-0.20 i \\
0.83+0.51 i & 0.20+0.01 i & -0.17-0.46 i & 1.47+1.59 i \\
1.08-0.28 i & 0.20-0.12 i & -0.07+1.23 i & 0.26+0.26 i
\end{array}\right)
$$

and

$$
b=\left(\begin{array}{r}
-2.09+1.93 i \\
3.34-3.53 i \\
-4.94-2.04 i \\
0.17+4.23 i \\
-5.19+3.63 i \\
0.98+2.53 i
\end{array}\right) .
$$

The square root of the residual sum of squares is also output.
Note that the block size (NB) of 64 assumed in this example is not realistic for such a small problem, but should be suitable for large problems.

### 10.1 Program Text

Program f08anfe

```
! FO8ANF Example Program Text
! Mark 26 Release. NAG Copyright 2016.
! .. Use Statements ..
    Use nag_library, Only: dznrm2, nag_wp, zgels
! .. Implicit None Statement ..
    Implicit None
! .. Parameters ..
    Integer, Parameter : mb = 64, nin = 5, nout = 6
! .. Local Scalars ..
    Real (Kind=nag_wp) :: rnorm
    Integer :: i, info, lda, lwork, m, n
    .. Local Arrays ..
    Complex (Kind=nag_wp), Allocatable :: a(:,:), b(:), work(:)
    .. Executable Statements ..
    Write (nout,*) 'F08ANF Example Program Results'
    Write (nout,*)
! Skip heading in data file
    Read (nin,*)
    Read (nin,*) m, n
    lda = m
    lwork = n + nb*m
    Allocate (a(lda,n),b(m),work(lwork))
! Read A and B from data file
    Read (nin,*)(a(i,1:n),i=1,m)
    Read (nin,*) b(1:m)
    Solve the least squares problem min( norm2(b - Ax) ) for x
    The NAG name equivalent of zgels is f08anf
    Call zgels('No transpose',m,n,l,a,lda,b,m,work,lwork,info)
    Print solution
    Write (nout,*) 'Least squares solution'
    Write (nout,99999) b(1:n)
    Compute and print estimate of the square root of the residual
    sum of squares
```

```
! The NAG name equivalent of dznrm2 is f06jjf
    rnorm = dznrm2(m-n,b(n+1),1)
    Write (nout,*)
    Write (nout,*) 'Square root of the residual sum of squares'
    Write (nout,99998) rnorm
99999 Format (4(' (',F7.4,',',F7.4,')',:))
99998 Format (1X,1P,E10.2)
    End Program f08anfe
```


### 10.2 Program Data

FO8ANF Example Program Data


### 10.3 Program Results

```
F08ANF Example Program Results
Least squares solution
(-0.5044,-1.2179) (-2.4281, 2.8574) ( 1.4872,-2.1955) (0.4537, 2.6904)
Square root of the residual sum of squares
    6.88E-02
```

