# nag\_convolution\_real (c06ekc)

### 1. Purpose

**nag\_convolution\_real (c06ekc)** calculates the circular convolution or correlation of two real vectors of period n.

### 2. Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagc06.h>
```

### 3. Description

This function computes:

if **operation** = **Nag\_Convolution**, the discrete convolution of x and y, defined by

$$z_k = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j y_{k-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_{k-j} y_j;$$

if **operation** = **Nag\_Correlation**, the discrete correlation of x and y defined by

$$w_k = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j y_{k+j}.$$

Here x and y are real vectors, assumed to be periodic, with period n, i.e.,  $x_j = x_{j\pm n} = x_{j\pm 2n} = \ldots$ ; z and w are then also periodic with period n.

**Note**: this usage of the terms 'convolution' and 'correlation' is taken from Brigham (1974). The term 'convolution' is sometimes used to denote both these computations.

If  $\hat{x}$ ,  $\hat{y}$ ,  $\hat{z}$  and  $\hat{w}$  are the discrete Fourier transforms of these sequences, i.e.

$$\hat{x}_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j \exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{jk}{n}\right)$$

etc., then  $\hat{z}_k = \sqrt{n}\hat{x}_k\hat{y}_k$  and  $\hat{w}_k = \sqrt{n}\bar{\hat{x}}_k\hat{y}_k$  (the bar denoting complex conjugate).

This function calls the same auxiliary functions as nag\_fft\_real (c06eac) and nag\_fft\_hermitian (c06ebc) to compute discrete Fourier transforms, and there are some restrictions on the value of n.

## 4. Parameters

### operation

Input: the computation to be performed:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{if operation} = \mathbf{Nag\_Convolution}, \ z_k = \sum\limits_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j y_{k-j}; \\ \text{if operation} = \mathbf{Nag\_Correlation}, \ w_k = \sum\limits_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j y_{k+j}; \end{array}$$

 $Constraint: operation = Nag\_Convolution \text{ or } Nag\_Correlation.$ 

 $\mathbf{n}$ 

Input: the number of values, n, in one period of the vectors **x** and **y**. Constraint:  $\mathbf{n} > 1$ . The largest prime factor of **n** must not exceed 19, and the total number of prime factors of **n**, counting repetitions, must not exceed 20.

# $\mathbf{x}[\mathbf{n}]$

Input: the elements of one period of the vector x.  $\mathbf{x}[j]$  must contain  $x_j$ , for j = 0, 1, ..., n-1. Output: the corresponding elements of the discrete convolution or correlation.

y[n]

Input: the elements of one period of the vector y.  $\mathbf{y}[j]$  must contain  $y_j$ , for j = 0, 1, ..., n-1. Output: the discrete Fourier transform of the convolution or correlation returned in the array  $\mathbf{x}$ ; the transform is stored in Hermitian form, exactly as described in the document nag\_fft\_real (c06eac).

### fail

The NAG error parameter, see the Essential Introduction to the NAG C Library.

### 5. Error Indications and Warnings

### NE\_C06\_FACTOR\_GT

At least one of the prime factors of  $\mathbf{n}$  is greater than 19.

#### NE\_C06\_TOO\_MANY\_FACTORS

**n** has more than 20 prime factors.

## NE\_INT\_ARG\_LE

On entry, **n** must not be less than or equal to 1:  $\mathbf{n} = \langle value \rangle$ .

### NE\_BAD\_PARAM

On entry, parameter **operation** had an illegal value.

#### 6. Further Comments

The time taken by the function is approximately proportional to  $n \log n$ , but also depends on the factorization of n. The function is faster than average if the only prime factors are 2, 3 or 5; and fastest of all if n is a power of 2.

The function is particularly slow if n has several unpaired prime factors, i.e., if the 'square-free' part of n has several factors.

### 6.1. Accuracy

The results should be accurate to within a small multiple of the **machine precision**.

# 6.2. References

Brigham E O (1974) The Fast Fourier Transform Prentice-Hall.

### 7. See Also

nag\_fft\_real (c06eac)

#### 8. Example

This program reads in the elements of one period of two real vectors x and y and prints their discrete convolution and correlation (as computed by nag\_convolution\_real). In realistic computations the number of data values would be much larger.

#### 8.1. Program Text

/\* nag\_convolution\_real(c06ekc) Example Program
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 \*/
#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag\_stdlib.h>
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```
#define NMAX 64
main()
{
  Integer j, n;
double xa[NMAX], xb[NMAX], ya[NMAX], yb[NMAX];
  Vprintf("c06ekc Example Program Results\n");
  /* Skip heading in data file */
Vscanf("%*[^\n]");
while (scanf("%ld", &n)!=EOF)
    if (n>1 \&\& n \le NMAX)
       {
         for (j = 0; j<n; ++j)</pre>
            {
              Vscanf("%lf%lf", &xa[j], &ya[j]);
              xb[j] = xa[j];
              yb[j] = ya[j];
           }
         c06ekc(Nag_Convolution, n, xa, ya, NAGERR_DEFAULT);
         cO6ekc(Nag_Correlation, n, xb, yb, NAGERR_DEFAULT);
         Vprintf("\n
                                  Convolution Correlation\n\n");
         for (j = 0; j<n; ++j)
    Vprintf("%51d %13.5f %13.5f\n", j, xa[j], xb[j]);</pre>
       }
    else
       {
         Vfprintf(stderr,"\n n = %ld which is an invalid value of n.\n", n);
         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
       }
  exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```

## 8.2. Program Data

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1.00	0.50
1.00	0.50
1.00	0.50
1.00	0.50
1.00	0.00
0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00

## 8.3. Program Results

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	Convolution	Correlation
0	0.50000	2.00000
1	1.00000	1.50000
2	1.50000	1.00000
3	2.00000	0.50000
4	2.00000	0.00000
5	1.50000	0.50000
6	1.00000	1.00000
7	0.50000	1.50000
8	0.00000	2.00000