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NAG C Library Function Document

nag mesh2d delaunay (d06abc)

1 Purpose

nag_mesh2d_delaunay (d06abc) generates a triangular mesh of a closed polygonal region in \mathbb{R}^2 , given a mesh of its boundary. It uses a Delaunay-Voronoi process, based on an incremental method.

2 Specification

3 Description

nag_mesh2d_delaunay (d06abc) generates the set of interior vertices using a Delaunay-Voronoi process, based on an incremental method. It allows the user to specify a number of fixed interior mesh vertices together with weights which allow concentration of the mesh in their neighbourhood. For more details about the triangulation method, consult the d06 Chapter Introduction as well as George and Borouchaki (1998).

This function is derived from material in the MODULEF package from INRIA (Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et Automatique).

4 References

George P L and Borouchaki H (1998) Delaunay Triangulation and Meshing: Application to Finite Elements Editions HERMES, Paris

5 Parameters

1: **nvb** – Integer Input

On entry: the number of vertices in the input boundary mesh.

Constraint: $\mathbf{nvb} \geq 3$.

2: **nvint** – Integer Input

On entry: the number of fixed interior mesh vertices to which a weight will be applied.

Constraint: $\mathbf{nvint} \geq 0$.

3: **nvmax** – Integer Input

On entry: the maximum number of vertices in the mesh to be generated.

Constraint: $nvmax \ge nvb + nvint$.

4: **nedge** – Integer Input

On entry: the number of boundary edges in the input mesh.

Constraint: nedge > 1.

5: $edge[3 \times nedge] - const Integer$

Input

Note: where $\mathbf{EDGE}(i,j)$ appears in this document it refers to the array element $\mathbf{edge}[3 \times (j-1) + i - 1]$. We recommend using a #define to make the same definition in your calling program.

On entry: the specification of the boundary edges. $\mathbf{EDGE}(1,j)$ and $\mathbf{EDGE}(2,j)$ contain the vertex numbers of the two end-points of the jth boundary edge. $\mathbf{EDGE}(3,j)$ is a user-supplied tag for the jth boundary edge and is not used by this routine. Note that the edge vertices are numbered from 1 to \mathbf{nvb} .

Constraint: $1 \le \mathbf{EDGE}(i, j) \le \mathbf{nvb}$ and $\mathbf{EDGE}(1, j) \ne \mathbf{EDGE}(2, j)$ for i = 1, 2 and $j = 1, 2, \dots, \mathbf{nedge}$.

6: **nv** – Integer *

Output

On exit: the total number of vertices in the output mesh (including both boundary and interior vertices). If $\mathbf{nvb} + \mathbf{nvint} = \mathbf{nvmax}$, no interior vertices will be generated and $\mathbf{nv} = \mathbf{nvmax}$.

7: **nelt** – Integer *

Output

On exit: the number of triangular elements in the mesh.

8: $\mathbf{coor}[2 \times \mathbf{nvmax}] - \mathbf{double}$

Input/Output

Note: where $\mathbf{COOR}(i,j)$ appears in this document it refers to the array element $\mathbf{coor}[2 \times (j-1) + i - 1]$. We recommend using a #define to make the same definition in your calling program.

On entry: $\mathbf{COOR}(1,i)$ contains the x-coordinate of the ith input boundary mesh vertex, for $i=1,\ldots,\mathbf{nvb}$. $\mathbf{COOR}(1,i)$ contains the x-coordinate of the $(i-\mathbf{nvb})$ th fixed interior vertex, for $i=\mathbf{nvb}+1,\ldots,\mathbf{nvb}+\mathbf{nvint}$. While $\mathbf{COOR}(2,i)$ contains the corresponding y-coordinate, for $i=1,\ldots,\mathbf{nvb}+\mathbf{nvint}$.

On exit: $\mathbf{COOR}(1,i)$ will contain the x-coordinate of the $(i-\mathbf{nvb}-\mathbf{nvint})$ th generated interior mesh vertex, for $i=\mathbf{nvb}+\mathbf{nvint}+1,\ldots,\mathbf{nv}$; while $\mathbf{COOR}(2,i)$ will contain the corresponding y-coordinate. The remaining elements are unchanged.

9: $\mathbf{conn}[6 \times \mathbf{nvmax} + 15] - \mathbf{Integer}$

Output

Note: where $\mathbf{CONN}(i,j)$ appears in this document it refers to the array element $\mathbf{conn}[3 \times (j-1) + i - 1]$. We recommend using a #define to make the same definition in your calling program.

On exit: the connectivity of the mesh between triangles and vertices. For each triangle j, $\mathbf{CONN}(i,j)$ gives the indices of its three vertices (in anticlockwise order), for i=1,2,3 and $j=1,\ldots,$ nelt. Note that the mesh vertices are numbered from 1 to \mathbf{nv} .

10: **weight**[dim] – const double

Input

Note: the dimension, dim, of the array weight must be at least max(1, nvint).

On entry: the weight of fixed interior vertices. It is the diameter of triangles (length of the longer edge) created around each of the given interior vertices.

Constraint: if **nvint** > 0, **weight**[i-1] > 0.0 for i = 1, 2, ..., **nvint**.

11: **npropa** – Integer

Input

On entry: the propagation type and coefficient, the parameter **npropa** is used when the internal points are created. They are distributed in a geometric manner if **npropa** is positive and in a arithmetic manner if it is negative. For more details see Section 8.

Constraint: $npropa \neq 0$.

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12: **itrace** – Integer

Input

On entry: the level of trace information required from nag mesh2d delaunay (d06abc) as follows:

if **itrace** ≤ 0 , no output is generated;

if **itrace** \geq 1, then output from the meshing solver is printed. This output contains details of the vertices and triangles generated by the process.

Users are advised to set itrace = 0, unless they are experienced with Finite Element meshes.

13: **outfile** – char *

Input

On entry: the name of a file to which diagnostic output will be directed. If **outfile** is NULL the diagnostic output will be directed to standard output.

14: **fail** – NagError *

Input/Output

The NAG error parameter (see the Essential Introduction).

6 Error Indicators and Warnings

NE_INT

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On entry, \mathbf{nedge} = \langle value \rangle.
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Constraint: $nedge \ge 1$.

On entry, $\mathbf{nvb} = \langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: $\mathbf{nvb} \geq 3$.

On entry, **nvint** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: $\mathbf{nvint} \geq 0$.

On entry, npropa = 0.

NE INT 2

On entry, the endpoints of the edge j have the same index i: $j = \langle value \rangle$, $i = \langle value \rangle$.

NE INT 3

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On entry, \mathbf{nvb} = \langle value \rangle, \mathbf{nvint} = \langle value \rangle, \mathbf{nvmax} = \langle value \rangle. Constraint: \mathbf{nvmax} > \mathbf{nvb} + \mathbf{nvint}.
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NE INT 4

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On entry, \mathbf{edge}(i,j) < 1 or \mathbf{edge}(i,j) > \mathbf{nvb}, where \mathbf{edge}(i,j) denotes \mathbf{edge}[3 \times (j-1) + i - 1]: \mathbf{edge}(i,j) = \langle value \rangle, i = \langle value \rangle, j = \langle value \rangle, \mathbf{nvb} = \langle value \rangle.
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NE MESH ERROR

An error has occurred during the generation of the interior mesh. Check the inputs of the boundary.

NE REAL ARRAY INPUT

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On entry, weight[i-1] \le 0.0: weight[i-1] = \langle value \rangle, i = \langle value \rangle.
```

NE ALLOC FAIL

Memory allocation failed.

NE BAD PARAM

On entry, parameter $\langle value \rangle$ had an illegal value.

NE NOT WRITE FILE

Cannot open file $\langle value \rangle$ for writing.

NE NOT CLOSE FILE

Cannot close file \(\text{value} \).

NE_INTERNAL_ERROR

An internal error has occurred in this function. Check the function call and any array sizes. If the call is correct then please consult NAG for assistance.

7 Accuracy

Not applicable.

8 Further Comments

The position of the internal vertices is a function position of the vertices on the given boundary. A fine mesh on the boundary results in a fine mesh in the interior. To dilute the influence of the data on the interior of the domain, the value of **npropa** can be changed. The propagation coefficient is calculated as: $\omega = 1 + \frac{a-1.0}{20.0}$, where a is the absolute value of **npropa**. During the process vertices are generated on edges of the mesh \mathcal{T}_i to obtain the mesh \mathcal{T}_{i+1} in the general incremental method (consult the d06 Chapter Introduction or George and Borouchaki (1998)). This generation uses the coefficient ω , and it is geometric if **npropa** > 0, and arithmetic otherwise. But increasing the value of a may lead to failure of the process, due to precision, especially in geometries with holes. So the user is advised to manipulate the argument **npropa** with care.

The user is advised to take care to set the boundary inputs properly, especially for a boundary with multiply connected components. The orientation of the interior boundaries should be in **clockwise** order and opposite to that of the exterior boundary. If the boundary has only one connected component, its orientation should be **anticlockwise**.

9 Example

In this example, a geometry with two holes (two wings inside an exterior circle) is meshed using a Delaunay-Voronoi method. The exterior circle is centred at the point (1.0, 0.0) with a radius 3, the first RAE wing begins at the origin and it is normalised, and the last wing is a result from the first one after a translation, a scale reduction and a rotation. To enable a realistic computation on that geometry, some interior points have been introduced to cause a finer mesh in the wake of the airfoils.

The boundary mesh has 296 vertices and 296 edges (see Figure 1 top). Note that the particular mesh generated could be sensitive to the machine precision and therefore may differ from one implementation to another. The interior meshes for different values of **npropa** are given in Figure 1.

9.1 Program Text

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/* nag_mesh2d_delaunay (d06abc) Example Program.

*
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 * Mark 7, 2001.
 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag.h>
#include <nag.stdlib.h>
#include <nagd06.h>

#define EDGE(I,J) edge[3*((J)-1)+(I)-1]
#define CONN(I,J) conn[3*((J)-1)+(I)-1]
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\#define COOR(I,J) coor[2*((J)-1)+(I)-1]
int main(void)
  const Integer nvmax=6000, nvint=40;
  double dnvint;
  Integer exit_status, i, itrace, j, k, nedge, nelt,
   npropa, nv, nvb, reftk, i1;
  NagError fail;
  char pmesh[2];
  double *coor=0, *weight=0;
  Integer *conn=0, *edge=0;
  INIT_FAIL(fail);
  exit_status = 0;
  Vprintf("d06abc Example Program Results\n\n");
  /* Skip heading in data file */
  Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
  /* Reading of the geometry */
  Vscanf("%ld%ld%*[^\n] ", &nvb, &nedge);
  if (nvb > nvmax)
      \label{lem:problem} \mbox{ Vprintf("Problem with the array dimensions$\n");}
      Vprintf(" nvb nvmax %6ld%6ld\n", nvb, nvmax);
      exit_status = -1;
      goto END;
  /* Allocate memory */
  if ( !(coor = NAG_ALLOC(2*nvmax, double)) ||
       !(weight = NAG_ALLOC(nvint, double)) ||
       !(conn = NAG\_ALLOC(3*(2*nvmax + 5), Integer)) | |
       !(edge = NAG_ALLOC(3*nedge, Integer)) )
      Vprintf("Allocation failure\n");
      exit_status = -1;
      goto END;
  /* Coordinates of the boundary mesh vertices and boundary edges */
  for (i = 1; i \le nvb; ++i)
      Vscanf("%ld", &i1);
      Vscanf("%lf", &COOR(1,i));
Vscanf("%lf", &COOR(2,i));
      Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
  for (i = 1; i \le nedge; ++i)
      Vscanf("%ld", &i1);
      Vscanf("%ld", &EDGE(1,i));
Vscanf("%ld", &EDGE(2,i));
Vscanf("%ld", &EDGE(3,i));
      Vscanf("%*[^\n] ");
  Vscanf(" ' %1s '%*[^\n]", pmesh);
  /* Initialise mesh control parameters */
  itrace = 0;
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/\star Generation of interior vertices on the RAE airfoils wake \star/
dnvint = 2.5/(double)(nvint + 1);
for (i = 1; i <= nvint; ++i)
           i1 = nvb + i;
           COOR(1, i1) = (double)i*dnvint + 1.38;
           COOR(2, i1) = -0.27*COOR(1, i1) + 0.2;
           weight[i-1] = 0.01;
/* Loop on the propagation coef */
for (j = 0; j < 4; ++j)
           switch (j)
                {
                 case 0:
                     npropa = -5;
                      break;
                 case 1:
                     npropa = -1;
                      break;
                 case 2:
                      npropa = 1;
                      break;
                 default:
                     npropa = 5;
           /* Call to the 2D Delaunay-Voronoi mesh generator */
           d06abc(nvb, nvint, nvmax, nedge, edge, &nv, &nelt, coor,
                               conn, weight, npropa, itrace, 0, &fail);
           if (fail.code == NE_NOERROR)
                 {
                       if (pmesh[0] == 'N')
                                  Vprintf(" Mesh characteristics with npropa =%6ld\n", npropa);
                                  Vprintf(" nv =%6ld\n", nv);
Vprintf(" nelt =%6ld\n", nelt);
                       else if (pmesh[0] == 'Y')
                                  /* Output the mesh to view it using the NAG Graphics Library */
                                  Vprintf(" %10ld %10ld\n", nv, nelt);
                                  for (i = 1; i \le nv; ++i)
                                             Vprintf(" %12.6e %12.6e \n", COOR(1,i), COOR(2,i));
                                        }
                                  reftk = 0;
                                  for (k = 1; k \le nelt; ++k)
                                             \label{local_variance} \mbox{Vprintf(" $101d $101d $101d $101d $101d,n", $101d $101d $101d,n", $101d,n
                                                                     CONN(1,k), CONN(2,k), CONN(3,k), reftk);
                            }
                       else
                                  Vprintf("Problem with the printing option Y or N\n");
                                  exit_status = -1;
                                  goto END;
                             }
           else
```

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9.2 Program Data

Note: since the data file for this example is quite large only a section of it is reproduced in this document. The full data file is distributed with your implementation.

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D06ABF Example Program Data
296 296 :NVB NEDGE
1 0.400000E+01 0.000000E+00

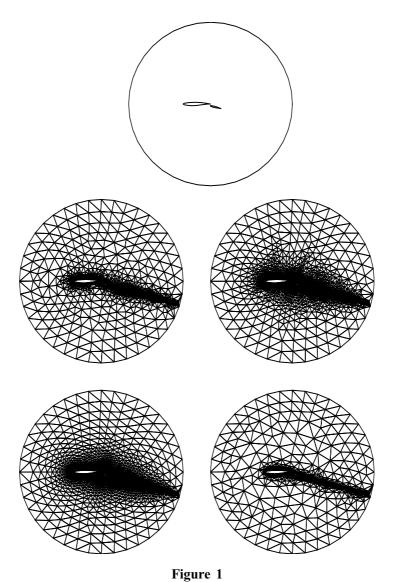
.
296 0.991387E+00 -.659880E-01 :(I1, COOR(:,I),I=1,...,NVB)
1 1 2 0

.
296 296 169 0 :(I1, EDGE(:,I), I=1,...,NEDGE)
'N' :Printing option 'Y' or 'N'
```

9.3 Program Results

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```
Mesh characteristics with npropa = -5
nv = 2317
nelt = 4340
Mesh characteristics with npropa = -1
nv = 4420
nelt = 8546
Mesh characteristics with npropa = 1
nv = 5081
nelt = 9868
Mesh characteristics with npropa = 5
nv = 2015
nelt = 3736
```



The boundary mesh (top), the interior mesh with npropa = -5 (middle left), -1 (middle right), 1 (bottom left) and 5 (bottom right) of a double RAE wings inside a circle geometry

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