# nag\_opt\_init (e04xxc)

### 1. Purpose

nag\_opt\_init (e04xxc) is the options structure initialization function for Chapter e04. This function or nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc) must be called before using the options structure.

### 2. Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nage04.h>
void nag_opt_init(Nag_E04_Opt *options)
```

### 3. Description

The optimization functions of Chapter e04 have a number of optional parameters, which are set by means of a structure of type Nag\_E04\_Opt. Optional parameter values may be assigned to members of an options structure directly in the program text and/or by supplying the optional values in a file which can be read by the function nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc).

If optional parameter values are assigned directly in the program text and no use is made of nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc), then nag\_opt\_init **must** be called before any assignments are made to the options structure. Initialization is still required even if no assignments are made to the structure before it is passed to the optimization function.

If the file reading function nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc) is used then this will automatically initialize the options structure if this has not already been done. Any direct assignment to the options structure made **after** a call to nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc) must **not** be preceded by a call to nag\_opt\_init otherwise the values set by nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc) will be lost. Direct assignments to the options structure made **before** calling nag\_opt\_read (e04xyc) must, of course, still be preceded by a call to nag\_opt\_init.

The purpose of nag\_opt\_init is to initialize the options structure members with null values which indicate to the optimization function that the optional parameter a structure member represents is not to be changed from its default value.

## 4. Parameters

#### options

Output: the initialized options structure.

### 5. Error Indications and Warnings

None.

### 6. Further Comments

None.

#### 7. See Also

```
nag_opt_read (e04xyc)
nag_opt_free (e04xzc)
Chapter Introduction.
```

#### 8. Example

For examples of the use of nag\_opt\_init see any of the example programs for nag\_opt\_lsq\_no\_deriv (e04fcc), nag\_opt\_lsq\_deriv (e04gbc), nag\_opt\_bounds\_no\_deriv (e04jbc), nag\_opt\_bounds\_deriv (e04kbc), nag\_opt\_lp (e04mfc), nag\_opt\_qp (e04mfc) and nag\_opt\_lsq\_covariance (e04ycc).

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