

## nag\_return\_multi\_normal (g05ezc)

### 1. Purpose

**nag\_return\_multi\_normal (g05ezc)** generates a pseudo-random multivariate Normal vector taken from a distribution described by a reference vector set up by **nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)**.

### 2. Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagg05.h>
```

```
void nag_return_multi_normal(double z[], double *r)
```

### 3. Description

This routine is designed for use in conjunction with **nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)**. The description of **nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)** should be referred to for a specification of the operation of these two routines.

### 4. Parameters

$\mathbf{z}[n]$

where  $n$  is the number of dimensions of the distribution as supplied to **nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)**.

Output: the pseudo-random multivariate Normal vector.

$\mathbf{r}$

Input: the reference vector to which memory has been allocated as set up by **nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)**. To free this memory the macro **NAG\_FREE** should be added in the users' program after the final call to **nag\_return\_multi\_normal**.

### 5. Error Indications and Warnings

None.

### 6. Further Comments

The time taken by the routine is of the order

$$a + b \times n + c \times n^2$$

where  $a$  and  $b$  are appreciably (say 10-20 times) larger than  $c$ .

#### 6.1. Accuracy

The accuracy is discussed in the routine document for **nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)**.

#### 6.2. References

Kendall M G and Stuart A (1969) *The Advanced Theory of Statistics (Vol 1)* (3rd Edn) Griffin.  
 Knuth D E (1981) *The Art of Computer Programming (Vol 2)* (2nd Edn) Addison-Wesley.

### 7. See Also

**nag\_random\_init\_repeatabe (g05cbc)**  
**nag\_random\_init\_nonrepeatabe (g05ccc)**  
**nag\_random\_normal (g05ddc)**  
**nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac)**

## 8. Example

The example program prints five pseudo-random observations from a bivariate Normal distribution with means vector

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 2.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and covariance matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2.0 & 1.0 \\ 1.0 & 3.0 \end{bmatrix},$$

generated by nag\_ref\_vec\_multi\_normal (g05eac) and nag\_return\_multi\_normal after initialisation by nag\_random\_init\_repeatable (g05cbc).

### 8.1. Program Text

```

/* nag_return_multi_normal(g05ezc) Example Program
 *
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 * Mark 2, 1991.
 *
 * Mark 3 revised, 1994.
 */

#include <nag.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nagg05.h>

#define N 2
#define TDC N

main()
{
    Integer i, j;
    double a[N], c[N][TDC], z[N];
    double *r;
    double eps = 0.01;

    Vprintf("g05ezc Example Program Results\n");
    a[0] = 1.0;
    a[1] = 2.0;
    c[0][0] = 2.0;
    c[1][1] = 3.0;
    c[0][1] = 1.0;
    c[1][0] = 1.0;
    g05cbc((Integer)0);
    g05eac(a, (Integer)N, (double *)c, (Integer)TDC,
          eps, &r, NAGERR_DEFAULT);
    for (i=1; i<=5; i++)
    {
        g05ezc(z, r);
        for (j=0; j<(Integer)N; j++)
            Vprintf("%10.4f", z[j]);
        Vprintf("\n");
    }
    NAG_FREE(r);
    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}

```

### 8.2. Program Data

None.

**8.3. Program Results**

g05ezc Example Program Results

1.7697	4.4481
3.2678	3.0583
3.1769	2.3651
-0.1055	1.8395
1.2933	-0.1850