

## Utility: nagdmc\_rank\_real

### Purpose

**nagdmc\_rank\_real** computes the ranks for an array of real values.

### Declaration

```
#include <nagdmc.h>
void nagdmc_rank_real(long n, long start, long step, double data[], long rank[],
                      int *info);
```

### Parameters

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| 1: <b>n</b> – long  | <i>Input</i>  |
| <i>On entry:</i> the number of data values to arrange in rank order.                            |               |
| <i>Constraint:</i> <b>n</b> > 0.  |               |
| 2: <b>start</b> – long  | <i>Input</i>  |
| <i>On entry:</i> <b>data[start]</b> is the first data value considered.                         |               |
| <i>Constraint:</i> <b>start</b> ≥ 0.  |               |
| 3: <b>step</b> – long   | <i>Input</i>  |
| <i>On entry:</i> the step length between pairs of data values.                                  |               |
| <i>Constraint:</i> <b>step</b> ≥ 1.   |               |
| 4: <b>data[d]</b> – double  | <i>Input</i>  |
| <i>On entry:</i> an array of length $d \geq (n - 1) * step + start + 1$ containing real values. |               |
| 5: <b>rank[n]</b> – long  | <i>Output</i> |
| <i>On exit:</i> the ranks for the <b>n</b> considered data values in <b>data</b> .              |               |
| 6: <b>info</b> – int *  | <i>Output</i> |
| <i>On exit:</i> <b>info</b> gives information on the success of the function call:              |               |
| 0: the function successfully completed its task.  |               |
| <i>i</i> ; $i = 1, 2, 3$ : the specification of the <i>i</i> th formal parameter was incorrect. |               |

### Notation

- n**      the number of data values,  $n$ .
- data**    data values  $x_i$  (separated by **step** values) to rank, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .
- rank**    rank values  $r_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

### Description

Given  $n$  data values  $x_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we seek a permutation,

$$p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$$

that arranges the data values in ascending order, i.e.,

$$x_{p(1)} \leq x_{p(2)} \leq \dots \leq x_{p(n)}$$

The position of the *i*th data value  $x_i$  in the permuted order is its rank value,  $r_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

### References and Further Reading

Knuth D E (1973) *The Art of Computer Programming (Volume 3)* (2nd Edition) Addison-Wesley.

### See Also

- nagdmc\_index**    converts a ranks into indexes in sorted order.
- nagdmc\_order\_real**    re-arranges an array of data values according to rank values.