

Utility: nagdmc_rng

Purpose

nagdmc_rng returns a random number between zero and one.

Declaration

```
#include <nagdmc.h>
double nagdmc_rng(long seed[]);
```

Parameters

- 1: **seed[5]** – long *Input/Output*
On entry: the seed for the random number generator. For the first call this should be set using **nagdmc_srs**; if it is not set a default value will be used. For subsequent calls the value returned by the previous call must be used.
On exit: the updated seed.

Notation

None.

Description

This function returns the next pseudo-random number from a uniform (0,1) generator.

The current state (or seed) of each generator used is saved internally in the code. Initial states can be set by default or by the user (thus giving a repeatable sequence).

References and Further Reading

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

See Also

[nagdmc_srs](#) sets the initial state of the random number generator.