



# Guide and Reference

## DGEQRF--General Matrix QR Factorization

This subroutine computes the *QR* factorization of a real general matrix

$A = QR$

where:

- Q* is an orthogonal matrix.
- For  $m \geq n$ , *R* is an upper triangular matrix.
- For  $m < n$ , *R* is an upper trapezoidal matrix.

Table 119. Data Types

<i>A, tau, work</i>	Subroutine
Long-precision real	DGEQRF

Syntax:

Fortran	CALL DGEQRF( <i>m, n, a, lda, tau, work, lwork, info</i> )
C and C++	dgeqrf ( <i>m, n, a, lda, tau, work, lwork, info</i> );
PL/I	CALL DGEQRF ( <i>m, n, a, lda, tau, work, lwork, info</i> );

On Entry:

- m*
- is the number of rows in matrix *A* used in the computation.
- Specified as: a fullword integer;  $m \geq 0$ .
- n*
- is the number of columns in matrix *A* used in the computation.
- Specified as: a fullword integer;  $n \geq 0$ .
- a*
- is the *m* by *n* general matrix *A* whose *QR* factorization is to be computed.

Specified as: an *lda* by (at least) *n* array, containing numbers of the data type indicated in [Table 119](#).

*lda*

is the leading dimension of the array specified for *a*.

Specified as: a fullword integer;  $lda > 0$  and  $lda \geq m$ .

*tau*

See ["On Return"](#).

*work*

has the following meaning:

If  $lwork = 0$ , *work* is ignored.

If  $lwork \neq 0$ , *work* is the work area used by this subroutine, where:

- If  $lwork \neq -1$ , its size is (at least) of length *lwork*.
- If  $lwork = -1$ , its size is (at least) of length 1.

Specified as: an area of storage containing numbers of data type indicated in [Table 119](#).

*lwork*

is the number of elements in array WORK.

Specified as: a fullword integer; where:

- If  $lwork = 0$ , DGEQRF dynamically allocates the work area used by this subroutine. The work area is deallocated before control is returned to the calling program. This option is an extension to the LAPACK standard.
- If  $lwork = -1$ , DGEQRF performs a work area query and returns the optimal size of *work* in  $work_1$ . No computation is performed and the subroutine returns after error checking is complete.
- Otherwise, it must be:

$$lwork \geq \max(1, n)$$

*info*

See ["On Return"](#).

### **On Return:**

*a*

is the updated general matrix **A**, containing the results of the computation.

The elements on and above the diagonal of the array contain the  $\min(m, n) \times n$  upper trapezoidal matrix **R** (**R** is upper triangular if  $m \geq n$ ). The elements below the diagonal with tau represent the

orthogonal matrix  $Q$  as a product of  $\min(m, n)$  elementary reflectors.

Returned as: an  $lda$  by (at least)  $n$  array, containing numbers of the data type indicated in [Table 119](#).

*tau*

is the vector *tau*, of length  $\min(m, n)$ , containing the scalar factors of the elementary reflectors.

Returned as: a one-dimensional array of (at least) length  $\min(m, n)$ , containing numbers of the data type indicated in [Table 119](#).

*work*

is the work area used by this subroutine if  $lwork < 0$ , where:

If  $lwork < 0$  and  $lwork < -1$ , its size is (at least) of length  $lwork$ .

If  $lwork = -1$ , its size is (at least) of length 1.

Returned as: an area of storage, where:

If  $lwork \geq 1$  or  $lwork = -1$ , then  $work_1$  is set to the optimal  $lwork$  value and contains numbers of the data type indicated in [Table 119](#). Except for  $work_1$ , the contents of *work* are overwritten on return.

*info*

indicates that a successful computation occurred.

Returned as: a fullword integer;  $info = 0$ .

### Notes and Coding Rules:

1. In your C program, argument *info* must be passed by reference.
2. The vectors and matrices used in the computation must have no common elements; otherwise, results are unpredictable.
3. For best performance specify  $lwork = 0$ .

**Function:** Compute the  $QR$  factorization of a real general matrix  $A$

$$A = QR$$

where:

The orthogonal matrix  $Q$  is represented as a product of elementary reflectors:

$$Q = H_1 H_2 \dots H_k$$

where:

$$k = \min(m, n)$$

For each  $i$ :  $\mathbf{H}_i = \mathbf{I} - \tau \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v}^T$

$\tau$  is a real scalar, stored on return in  $\tau_i$ .

$\mathbf{v}$  is a real vector with  $v_{1:i-1} = 0$ ,  $v_i = 1$ .

$v_{i+1:m}$  is stored on return in  $\mathbf{A}_{i+1:m, i}$

$\mathbf{I}$  is the identity matrix

For  $m \geq n$ ,  $\mathbf{R}$  is an upper triangular matrix.

For  $m < n$ ,  $\mathbf{R}$  is an upper trapezoidal matrix.

If  $m = 0$  or  $n = 0$ , no computation is performed and the subroutine returns after doing some parameter checking.

See references [[52,8,65,50,51](#)].

### Error Conditions:

**Resource Errors:**  $lwork = 0$  and unable to allocate work space.

**Computational Errors:** None.

### Input-Argument Errors:

1.  $m < 0$
2.  $n < 0$
3.  $lda \leq 0$
4.  $lda < m$
5.  $lwork \leq 0$ ,  $lwork \leq -1$ , and  $lwork < \max(1, n)$

**Example 1:** This example shows the **QR** factorization of a general matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of size  $6 \times 2$ .

**Note:** Because  $lwork = 0$ , DGEQRF dynamically allocates the work area used by this subroutine.

### Call Statements and Input:

		M		N		A	LDA	TAU	WORK	LWORK	INFO							
CALL	DGEQRF	(	6	,	2	,	A	,	6	,	TAU	,	WORK	,	0	,	INFO	)

General matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of size  $6 \times 2$ :

		*				*
			.000000		2.000000	
			2.000000		-1.000000	
A	=		2.000000		-1.000000	
			.000000		1.500000	
			2.000000		-1.000000	
			2.000000		-1.000000	
		*				*

### Output:

General matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of size  $6 \times 2$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} * & & * \\ -4.000000 & 2.000000 & \\ .500000 & 2.500000 & \\ .500000 & .285714 & \\ .000000 & -.428571 & \\ .500000 & .285714 & \\ .500000 & .285714 & \\ * & & * \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector *tau* of length 2:

$$TAU = \begin{pmatrix} * & & * \\ 1.000000 & 1.400000 & \\ * & & * \end{pmatrix}$$

The value of *info* is 0.

**Example 2:** This example shows the **QR** factorization of a general matrix *A* of size 4x5.

**Note:** Because *lwork* = 0, DGEQRF dynamically allocates the work area used by this subroutine.

### Call Statements and Input:

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      M      N      A  LDA  TAU  WORK  LWORK  INFO
      |      |      |  |    |    |      |      |
CALL DGEQRF ( 4 , 5 , A , 4 , TAU , WORK , 0 , INFO)

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General matrix *A* of size 4x5:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} * & & & & * \\ .500000 & .500000 & 1.207107 & .000000 & 1.707107 \\ .500000 & -1.500000 & -.500000 & 2.414214 & .707107 \\ .500000 & .500000 & .207107 & .000000 & .292893 \\ .500000 & -1.500000 & -.500000 & -.414214 & -.707107 \\ * & & & & * \end{pmatrix}$$

### Output:

General matrix *A* of size 4x5:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} * & & & & * \\ -1.000000 & 1.000000 & -.207107 & -1.000000 & -1.000000 \\ .333333 & 2.000000 & 1.207107 & -1.000000 & 1.000000 \\ .333333 & -.200000 & .707107 & .000000 & 1.000000 \\ .333333 & .400000 & .071068 & -2.000000 & -1.000000 \\ * & & & & * \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector *tau* of length 4:

$$TAU = \begin{pmatrix} * & & & * \\ 1.500000 & 1.666667 & 1.989949 & .000000 \\ * & & & * \end{pmatrix}$$

The value of *info* is 0.

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