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| basic data types | real integer character logical (.truefalse.) | float integer character boolean (true, false) | float, double int char bool (C99) | real integer char boolean (TRUE, FALSE) | Float16, Float32, Float64 Int8, Int16, Int32, Int64 unicode boolean | |
| variable declaration + initial value | T :: id T :: id | <pre>id : T; id : T := initV;</pre> | T id; T id = initV; | <pre>id : T; id : T = initV;</pre> | <pre>dynamic declaration id = initV</pre> | |
| block statements S, S1, S2, etc. | statement1 statement2 statementn | statement1; statement2; statementn; | <pre>{ statement1; statement2; statementn; }</pre> | begin statement1; statement2; statementn; end | statement1 statement2 statementn | |
| if-else | if (B) then S1 <else s2=""> end if</else> | if B then S1 <else s2=""> end if;</else> | if (B) | if B then 51 <else 52=""></else> | if B | |
| nested if | if (B1) then S1 elseif (B2) then S2 elseif (Bn) then Sn <else sn+1=""> end if</else> | if B1 then S1 elsif B2 then S2 elsif Bn then Sn <else sn+1=""> end if;</else> | <pre>if (B1) S1 else if (B2) S2 else if (Bn) Sn <else sn+1=""></else></pre> | if B1 then S1 else if B2 then S2 else if Bn then Sn <else sn+1=""></else> | if B1 S1 elseif B2 S2 elseif Bn Sn <else sn+1=""> end</else> | |
| case | select case (X) case (V1) S1 case (V2) S2 case (Vn) Sn <case default="" sn+1=""> end select</case> | <pre>case X of when V1 => S1; when V2 => S2; when Vn => Sn; <when others=""> Sn+1;> end case;</when></pre> | <pre>switch (X){ case V1 : S1; <break;> case V2 : S2; <break;> case Vn : Sn; <break;> <default :="" sn+1;=""> }</default></break;></break;></break;></pre> | <pre>case (X) of V1 : S1; V2 : S2; Vn : Vn; <otherwise: sn+1=""> end;</otherwise:></pre> | n/a | |
| case expression examples | <pre>X = int, char, boolean exp Examples of V 1 2:10 11: 1,3,5,7:9</pre> | <pre>X = discrete variable Examples of V 5 5 8 23 100125 50 60 7075 80</pre> | <pre>X = discrete variable Examples of V 3 'b'</pre> | <pre>X = int, char, boolean, enum Examples of V 3 15 'a','e','i','o','u'</pre> | | |
| for | do I = X1, X2 [,X3] S end | for I in X1X2 loop S end loop; | for (I=X; B; I=EXP) S | for I := X1 [down]to X2 do S | for I = X1:X2 S end | |
| while | do while (B) S end do | while B loop S end loop; | while (B) | while B do | while B S end | |
| repeat/until | do S until (B) | loop S exit when B; end loop; | <pre>do { S } while (B);</pre> | repeat S until B; | n/a | |
| generic loop | do S end do | loop S end loop; | n/a | n/a | n/a | |

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| exit loop | exit | exit exit when B; | break | break | break | |
| next cycle of loop | cycle | n/a has to be done using goto | continue | continue | continue | |
| arrays (size ab) | T, dimension(a:b) :: A | A : array(ab) of T; | T A[b]; | A : array[ab] of T; | A = array(T,a,b) | |
| strings (length b) | character (len=b) :: Str | Str : string(1b); | char Str[b]; | <pre>type Str = packed array[1b] of char;</pre> | Str = "xyz" | |
| multi-dimensional arrays (numbers) r=rows, c=columns | T, dimension(r,c) :: x | x : array(1r,1c) of T; | int x[r][c]; | x : array[1r,1c] of T; | x = Array{T}(undef, r, c) | |
| function | <pre>function add(a,b) result(r) integer, intent(in) :: a,b integer :: r r = a + b end function add</pre> | <pre>function add(a: integer; b: integer) return integer is begin return a + b; end add;</pre> | <pre>int add(int a, int b) { return a + b; }</pre> | <pre>function add(a, b: integer):integer; begin add := a + b; end;</pre> | <pre>function add(a,b) return a + b end</pre> | |
| procedure (no return) | <pre>subroutine printSum(a,b) integer, intent(in) :: a,b print, a+b end subroutine printSum</pre> | <pre>procedure printSum(a: in integer; b: in integer) is begin put(a+b); end printSum;</pre> | <pre>void printSum(int a, int b) { printf("%d", a+b); }</pre> | <pre>procedure printSum(a, b: integer); begin writeln(a+b); end;</pre> | <pre>function printSum(a,b) println(a+b) end</pre> | |
| procedure (value return) | <pre>subroutine squared(x,sq) real, intent(in) :: x real, intent(out) :: sq sq = x * x end subroutine squared</pre> | <pre>procedure squared(x: in float; sq: out float) is begin sq := x * x; end squared;</pre> | <pre>void squared(float x, float *sq) { *sq = x * x; }</pre> | <pre>procedure squared(x: real; var sq: real); begin sq := x * x; end;</pre> | <pre>function squared(x) sq = x * x return sq end</pre> | |
| recursion | <pre>recursive function fact(n) result (f) integer, intent(in) :: n integer :: f if (n == 0) then f = 1 else f = n * fact(n-1) end if end function fact</pre> | <pre>function fact(n: integer) return Long_Integer is begin if n = 0 then return 1; else return Long_Integer(n) * fact(n-1); end if; end fact;</pre> | <pre>int fact(int n) { if (n == 0) return 1; else return n * fact(n-1); }</pre> | <pre>function fact(n: integer): integer; begin if (n = 0) then fact := 1; else fact := n * fact(n-1); end;</pre> | <pre>function fact(n) if n == 0 return 1 else return n * fact(n-1) end end</pre> | |
| standard input | <pre>read(*,*) V read(*,format) V</pre> | get(V) | <pre>scanf(format, &V);</pre> | <pre>read(V); readln(V);</pre> | <pre>s = readline() V = parse(T, chomp(s))</pre> | |
| standard output | write(*,*) V write(*,format) V | put(V) | <pre>printf(format, V);</pre> | <pre>write(V); writeln(V);</pre> | <pre>print(V) println(V)</pre> | |

| KEY | S = block statement | B = boolean (logical) expression | T = datatype | <pre><> = optional terms</pre> | | | |
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| | I = integer variable identifier | X = a scalar expression | EXP = expression of any type | V = variable identifier | | | |