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1. FORTRAN BACKGROUND

1.1 Fortran History and Standards

Fortran (FORmula TRANslation) was the first high-level programming language. It was devised by John Bachus in 1953. The first Fortran compiler was produced in 1957.

Fortran is highly *standardised*, making it extremely *portable* (able to run on a wide range of platforms). It has passed through a sequence of international standards, those in bold below being the most important:

- Fortran 66 – original ANSI standard (accepted 1972!);
- Fortran 77 – ANSI X3.9-1978 – structured programming;
- **Fortran 90 – ISO/IEC 1539:1991 – array operations, dynamic arrays, modules, derived data types;**
- Fortran 95 – ISO/IEC 1539-1: 1997 – minor revision;
- **Fortran 2003 – ISO/IEC 1539-1:2004(E) –object-oriented programming; interoperability with C;**
- Fortran 2008 – ISO/IEC 1539-1:2010 – coarrays (parallel programming)
- Fortran 2018 – ISO/IEC 1539:2018

Fortran is widely-used in high-performance computing (HPC), where its ability to run code in parallel on a large number of processors make it popular for computationally-demanding tasks in science and engineering.

1.2 Source Code and Executable Code

In all high-level languages (Fortran, C++, Java, Python, ...) programmes are written in *source code*. This is a human-readable set of instructions that can be created or modified on any computer with any text editor. Filetypes identify the programming language; e.g.

Fortran files typically have filetypes `.f90` or `.f95`

C++ files typically have filetype `.cpp`

Python files typically have filetype `.py`

The job of the *compiler* is to turn this into machine-readable *executable code*.

Under Windows, executable files have filetype `.exe`

In this course the programs are very simple and most will be contained in a single file. However:

- in real engineering problems, code is often contained in many separate source files;
- producing executable code is actually a two-stage process:
 - *compiling* converts each individual source file into intermediate *object* code;
 - *linking* combines all the object files with additional library routines to create an *executable* program.

Most Fortran code consist of multiple *subprograms* or *procedures*, all performing specific, independent tasks. These may be in one file or in separate files. The latter arrangement allows related routines to be collected together and used in different applications. Modern Fortran makes extensive use of *modules* for this.

1.3 Fortran Compilers

The primary Fortran compiler in the University teaching clusters is the NAG fortran compiler (`nagfor`), which has an associated integrated development environment (`Fortran Builder`). However, many other Fortran compilers exist and your programs should be able to use any of them. The Intel Fortran compiler (`ifort`) is also available within the University, but there are only a small number of licences for PCs.

Other compilers are available to researchers on the Manchester Computational Shared Facility (CSF).

There are many other Fortran compilers. Free Fortran compilers for PCs include:

- Gnu Fortran (`gfortran`) <http://gcc.gnu.org/wiki/GFortran>
- Silverfrost FTN95 <http://www.silverfrost.com/> (Fortran 95, on Windows only)

The web page for this course includes a list of Fortran compilers, including some online.

2. Creating and Compiling Fortran Code

You may create, edit, compile and run a Fortran program either:

- from the command line;
- in an Integrated Development Environment (IDE).

You can create Fortran source code with any text editor: e.g. `notepad` in Windows, `vim` in linux, or any more advanced editor. Many people (but not I) like the bells and whistles that come with their favourite IDE.

The traditional way to start programming in a new language is to create, compile and run a simple program to write “Hello, world!”. Use an editor or an IDE to create the following file and call it `prog1.f90`.

```
program hello
  print *, "Hello, world!"
end program hello
```

Compile and run this code using any of the methods below. Note that all compilers will have their own particular set of options regarding the naming of files, syntax restrictions and checking, optimisation, linking run-time libraries etc. For these you must consult individual compiler documentation.

2.1 NAG Fortran – Using the FBuilder IDE

Start the `FBuilder` IDE from the NAG program group on the Windows `Start` menu.

Either type in the Fortran source code using the built-in editor (`File > New`), or open a previously-created source file (`File > Open`). Whichever you do, make sure that it is saved with a `.f90` or `.f95` extension.

Run it from the “Execute” icon on the toolbar. This will automatically save and compile (if necessary), then run your program. An executable file called `prog1.exe` will appear in the same folder as the source file.

`FBuilder` does many things that facilitate code development, like colour-coding syntax and allowing you to save, compile or run at the press of a button. It also creates many unnecessary files in the process and makes setting compiler options complicated, so I personally prefer the command-line approach below.

Within `FBuilder`, help (for both Fortran language and compiler) is available from a pull-down menu.

2.2 NAG Fortran – Using the Command Line

Open a command window. (In the University clusters, to set the `PATH` environment variable to find the compiler you may have to launch the command window from the NAG program group on the `Start` menu).

Navigate to any suitable folder; e.g.

```
cd \work
```

Create (and then save) the source code:

```
notepad prog1.f90
```

Compile the code by entering

```
nagfor prog1.f90 (which creates an executable a.exe)
```

or:

```
nagfor -o prog1.exe prog1.f90 (to create an executable prog1.exe)
```

Run the executable (assuming you have called it `prog1.exe` as above) by typing its name:

```
prog1.exe
```

or, since the system runs `.exe` files automatically, just:

```
prog1
```

Help (on compiler options only) is available from the command line:

```
nagfor -help
```

You may like to experiment with some of the non-default options: for example, those that assist with debugging or doing run-time checks.

2.3 Gnu Compiler (gfortran)

This is actually my favourite compiler. It is part of the wider Gnu compiler collection (GCC), which also includes compilers for C++ and other languages. It can be downloaded either as a stand-alone, as part of the MinGW collection (see the link from this course's website), or bundled with an IDE like Code::Blocks (downloadable from <http://www.codeblocks.org/>).

To compile a single file from the Windows command line just type
`gfortran prog1.f90` (which creates an executable `a.exe`)

More advanced options include:

`gfortran -o prog1.exe prog1.f90` (to create an executable `prog1.exe`)

`gfortran -Wall -pedantic prog1.f90` (to increase the error-checking and warnings)

The executable program can be run in the command window simply by typing its name (with or without the `.exe` extension).

Alternatively, you can edit, compile and run files all from the comfort of an IDE such as Code::Blocks.

3. A SIMPLE PROGRAM

Example. Quadratic-equation solver (real roots).

The well-known solutions of the quadratic equation

$$Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$$

are

$$x = \frac{-B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{2A}$$

The roots are real if and only if the *discriminant* $B^2 - 4AC$ is greater than or equal to zero.

A program which asks for the coefficients and then outputs the real roots might look like the following.

```
program roots
! Program solves the quadratic equation ax**2+bx+c=0
  implicit none
  real a, b, c                                ! Declare variables
  real discriminant, root1, root2

  print *, "Input a, b, c"                    ! Request coefficients
  read *, a, b, c

  discriminant = b ** 2 - 4.0 * a * c          ! Calculate discriminant

  if ( discriminant < 0.0 ) then
    print *, "No real roots"
  else
    ! calculate roots
    root1 = ( -b + sqrt( discriminant ) ) / ( 2.0 * a )
    root2 = ( -b - sqrt( discriminant ) ) / ( 2.0 * a )
    print *, "Roots are ", root1, root2      ! output roots
  end if

end program roots
```

This example illustrates many of the features of Fortran (or, indeed, other programming languages).

(1) Statements

Fortran source code consists of a series of *statements*. The usual use is one per line (interspersed with blank lines for clarity). However, we shall see later that it is possible to have more than one statement per line and for one statement to run over several lines.

Lines may be up to 132 characters long.

(2) Comments

The exclamation mark (!) signifies that everything after it on that line is a *comment* (i.e. ignored by the compiler, but there for your information). Use your common sense.

(3) Constants

Elements whose values don't change are termed *constants*. Here, 2.0 and 4.0 are *numerical constants*. The presence of the decimal point indicates that they are of *real* type. We shall discuss the difference between real and integer types later.

(4) Variables

Entities whose values can change are termed *variables*. Each has a *name* that is, basically, a symbolic label associated with a specific location in memory. To make the code more readable, names should be descriptive and meaningful; e.g. `discriminant` in the above example.

All the variables in the above example have been declared of *type* `real` (i.e. floating-point numbers). Other types (`integer`, `complex`, `character`, `logical`, ...) will be introduced later, where we will also explain the `implicit none` statement.

Variables are *declared* when memory is set aside for them by specifying their type, and *defined* when some value is assigned to them.

(5) Operators

Fortran makes use of the usual *binary numerical operators* `+`, `-`, `*` and `/` for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, respectively. `**` indicates exponentiation (“to the power of”).

Note that “`=`” is an *assignment operation*, not a mathematical equality. Read it as “becomes”. It is perfectly legitimate (and, indeed, common practice) to write statements like

```
n = n + 1
```

meaning, effectively, “add 1 to variable `n`”.

(6) Intrinsic Functions

The Fortran standard provides some *intrinsic* (that is, built-in) functions to perform important mathematical functions. The square-root function `sqrt` is used in the example above. Others mathematical ones include `cos`, `sin`, `log`, `exp`, `tanh`. A list of useful mathematical intrinsic functions is given in Appendix A4.

Note that, in common with all other serious programming languages, the trigonometric functions `sin`, `cos`, etc. expect their arguments to be in radians.

(7) Simple Input/Output

Simple *list-directed* input and output is achieved by the statements

```
read *, list
print *, list
```

respectively. The contents are determined by what is in *list* and the `*`’s indicate that the input is from the keyboard and that the computer should decide how to format the output. Data is read from the *standard input device* (usually the keyboard) and output to the *standard output device* (usually the screen). In Section 10 it will be shown how to read from and write to files and how to produce *formatted* output.

(8) Decision-making

All programming languages have some facility for decision-making: doing one thing if some condition is true and (optionally) doing something else if it is not. The particular form used here is

```
if ( some condition ) then
    [ do something ]
else
    [ do something else ]
end if
```

We shall encounter various other forms of the `if` construct in Section 6.

(9) The `program` and `end program` statements

Every Fortran program has one and only one *main program*. We shall see later that it can have many *subprograms* (*subroutines* or *functions*). The main program has the structure

```
program name
    [ declaration statements ]
    [ executable statements ]
end program name
```

(10) Cases and Spaces

Except within character contexts, Fortran is completely *case-insensitive*. Everything may be written in upper case, lower case or a combination of both, and we can refer to the same variable as `ROOT1` and `root1` within the same program unit. *Warning*: this is a very bad habit to get into, however, because it is not true in major programming languages like C, C++, Python or Java.

Very old versions of Fortran required you to write programs in upper case, start comments with a `c` in column 1, and start executable statements in column 6. These ceased to be requirements many decades ago (but there are still many ill-informed denigrators of Fortran who seem to be living in the prehistoric era when they were required: they can probably tell you about punched cards, too!)

Spaces are generally valid everywhere except in the middle of names and keywords. As with comments, they should be used to aid clarity.

Indentation is optional but highly recommended, because it makes it much easier to understand a program's structure. It is common to indent a program's contents by 3 or 4 spaces from its header and `end` statements, and to further indent the statements contained within, for example, `if` constructs or `do` loops by a similar amount. Be consistent with the amount of indentation. (Because different editors have different tab settings – and they are often ridiculously large – I firmly recommend that you use spaces rather than tabs.)

(11) Running the Program.

Follow the instructions in Section 2 to compile and link the program.

Run it by entering its name at the command prompt or from within an IDE. It will ask you for the three coefficients `a`, `b` and `c`.

Try `a = 1`, `b = 3`, `c = 2` (i.e. $x^2 + 3x + 2 = 0$). The roots should be `-1` and `-2`. You can input the numbers as

```
1 3 2 [enter]
```

or

```
1, 3, 2 [enter]
```

or even

```
1 [enter]
```

```
3 [enter]
```

```
2 [enter]
```

Now try the combinations

```
a = 1, b = -5, c = 6
```

```
a = 1, b = -5, c = 10 (What are the roots of the quadratic equation in this case?)
```

4. BASIC ELEMENTS OF FORTRAN

4.1 Variable Names

A *name* is a symbolic link to a location in memory. A *variable* is a memory location whose value may be changed during execution. Names must:

- have between 1 and 63 alphanumeric characters (alphabet, digits and underscore);
- start with a letter.

It is possible – but unwise – to use a Fortran keyword or standard intrinsic function as a variable name. However, this will then prevent you from using the corresponding intrinsic function. Tempting names that should be avoided in this respect include: `count`, `len`, `product`, `range`, `scale`, `size`, `sum`, `tiny`.

The following are valid (if unlikely) variable names:

```
Manchester_United
as_easy_as_123
```

The following are not:

```
Romeo+Juliet      (+ is not allowed)
999help           (starts with a number)
Hello!            (! would be treated as a comment, not part of the variable name)
```

4.2 Data Types

In Fortran there are 5 *intrinsic* (i.e. built-in) data *types*:

```
integer
real
complex
character
logical
```

The first three are the *numeric* types. The last two are *non-numeric* types.

It is also possible to have *derived* types and *pointers*. Both of these are highly desirable in a modern programming language (and are similar to features in C++). These are described in the advanced section of the course.

Integer constants are whole numbers, without a decimal point, e.g.

```
100    +17    -444    0        666
```

They are stored exactly, but their range is limited: typically -2^{n-1} to $2^{n-1}-1$, where n is either 16 (for 2-byte integers) or 32 (for 4-byte integers – the default for most compilers). It is possible to change the default range using the `kind` type parameter (see later).

Real constants have a decimal point and may be entered as either

```
fixed point, e.g. 412.2
floating point, e.g. 4.122e+02
```

Real constants are stored in exponential form in memory, no matter how they are entered. They are accurate only to a finite machine precision (which, again, can be changed using the `kind` type parameter).

Complex constants consist of paired real numbers, corresponding to real and imaginary parts. e.g. `(2.0, 3.0)` corresponds to $2 + 3i$.

Character constants consist of strings of characters enclosed by a pair of delimiters, which may be either single (') or double (") quotes; e.g.

```
'This is a string'
"School of Mechanical, Aerospace and Civil Engineering"
```

The delimiters themselves are not part of the string.

Logical constants may be either `.true.` or `.false.`

4.3 Declaration of Variables

Type

Variables should be *declared* (that is, have their data type defined and memory set aside for them) before any executable statements. This is achieved by a *type declaration statement* of the form, e.g.,

```
integer num
real x
complex z
logical answer
character letter
```

More than one variable can be declared in each statement. e.g.

```
integer i, j, k
```

Initialisation

If desired, variables can be *initialised* in their type-declaration statement. In this case a *double colon* (: :) separator must be used.

Thus, the above examples might become:

```
integer :: num = 20
real :: x = 0.05
complex :: z = ( 0.0, 1.0 )
logical :: answer = .true.
character :: letter = 'A'
```

Variables can also be initialised with a data statement; e.g.

```
data num, x, z, answer, letter / 20, 0.05, ( 0.0, 1.0 ), .true., 'A' /
```

The data statement must be placed before any executable statements.

Attributes

Various *attributes* may be specified for variables in their type-declaration statements. One such is *parameter*. A variable declared with this attribute may not have its value changed within the program unit. It is often used to emphasise key physical or mathematical constants; e.g.

```
real, parameter :: gravity = 9.81
```

Other attributes will be encountered later and there is a list of them in the Appendix. Note that the double colon separator (: :) must be used when attributes are specified or variables are initialised – it is optional otherwise.

Precision and “Kind”

By default, in the particular Fortran implementation in the University clusters a variable declared by, e.g.,

```
real x
```

will occupy 4 bytes of computer memory and will be inaccurate in the sixth significant figure. The accuracy can be increased by replacing this type statement by the often-used, but now deprecated,

```
double precision x
```

with the floating-point variable now requiring twice as many bytes of memory.

Unfortunately, the number of bytes with which *real* and *double precision* floating-point numbers are stored is not standard and varies between implementations. Similarly, whether an *integer* is stored using 4 or 8 bytes affects the largest number that can be represented exactly. Sometimes these issues of accuracy and range may lead to different results on different computers. Better portability can be assured using *kind* parameters

Although it doesn't solve the portability problem, I avoid the *double precision* statement by using:

```
integer, parameter :: rkind = kind( 1.0d0 )
```

followed by declarations for all floating-point variables like:

```
real(kind=rkind) x
```

To switch to single precision for all floating-point variables just replace 1.0d0 by 1.0 in the first statement.

Intrinsic functions which allow you to determine the *kind* parameter for different types are

```

selected_char_kind( name )
selected_int_kind( range )
selected_real_kind( precision, range )

```

Look them up if you need them.

Historical Baggage – Implicit Typing.

Unless a variable was explicitly typed (`integer`, `real` etc.), older versions of Fortran implicitly assumed a type for a variable depending on the first letter of its name. If not explicitly declared, a variable whose name started with one of the letters `i-o` was assumed to be an integer; otherwise it was assumed to be real. (Hence the appalling Fortran joke: “God is `real`, unless declared `integer`”!).

To allow older code to run, Fortran has to permit implicit typing. However, it is *very* bad programming practice (leading to major errors if you mis-type a variable: e.g. `angel` instead of `angle`), and it is highly advisable to:

- use a type declaration for all variables;
- put the `implicit none` statement at the start of all program units (this turns off implied typing and the compilation will fail with an error warning if you have forgotten to declare the type of a variable).

4.4 Numeric Operators and Expressions

A *numeric expression* is a formula combining constants, variables and functions using the *numeric intrinsic operators* given in the following table. The precedence is exactly the same as the normal rules of algebra.

<i>operator</i>	<i>meaning</i>	<i>precedence</i> (1 = highest)
<code>**</code>	exponentiation (x^y)	1
<code>*</code>	multiplication (xy)	2
<code>/</code>	division (x/y)	2
<code>+</code>	addition ($x+y$) or unary plus ($+x$)	3
<code>-</code>	subtraction ($x-y$) or unary minus ($-x$)	3

Operators with two operands are called *binary* operators. Those with one operand are called *unary* operators.

Precedence

Expressions are evaluated in exactly the same order as in normal mathematics: highest precedence first, then (usually) left to right. Brackets `()`, which have highest precedence of all, can be used to override this. e.g.

<code>1 + 2 * 3</code>	evaluates as	<code>1 + (2 × 3)</code>	or	<code>7</code>
<code>10.0 / 2.0 * 5.0</code>	evaluates as	<code>(10.0 / 2.0) × 5.0</code>	or	<code>25.0</code>
<code>5.0 * 2.0 ** 3</code>	evaluates as	<code>5.0 × (2.0³)</code>	or	<code>40.0</code>

Repeated exponentiation is the single exception to the left-to-right rule for equal precedence:

<code>a ** b ** c</code>	evaluates as	a^{b^c}
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Type Coercion

When a binary operator has operands of different type, the weaker (usually integer) type is *coerced* (i.e. converted) to the stronger (usually real) type and the result is of the stronger type. e.g.

<code>3 / 10.0</code>	\rightarrow	<code>3.0 / 10.0</code>	\rightarrow	<code>0.3</code>
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*** WARNING *** A common source of difficulty to beginners is *integer division*. This is not unique to Fortran: it works exactly the same in many programming languages, including C, C++ and Java. If an integer is divided by an integer then the result *must be an integer* and is obtained by *truncation towards zero*. Thus, in the above example, if we had written `3/10` (without any decimal point) the result would have been 0.

Integer division is fraught with dangers to the unwary. Be careful when mixing reals and integers. If you intend a constant to be a floating-point number, *use a decimal point*!

Integer division can, however, sometimes be useful. For example,

```
x = 25 - 4 * ( 25 / 4 )
```

gives the remainder (here, 1) when 25 is divided by 4. However, the intention is probably made clearer by

```
x = modulo( 25, 4 )
```

Type coercion also occurs in assignment. (= is formally an operator, albeit one with the lowest precedence of all.) In this case, however, the conversion is to the type of the variable being assigned. Suppose `i` has been declared as an integer. Then it is only permitted to hold whole-number values and the statement

```
i = -25.0 / 4.0
```

will first evaluate the RHS (as `-6.25`) and then truncate it towards zero, assigning the value `-6` to `i`.

4.5 Character Operators

There is only one character operator, *concatenation*, `//`; e.g.

```
"Man" // "chester" gives "Manchester"
```

4.6 Logical Operators and Expressions

A *logical expression* is either:

- a combination of numerical expressions and the *relational operators*
 - `<` less than
 - `<=` less than or equal
 - `>` greater than
 - `>=` greater than or equal
 - `==` equal
 - `/=` not equal
- a combination of other logical expressions, variables and the *logical operators* given below.

<i>operator</i>	<i>meaning</i>	<i>precedence</i> (1=highest)
<code>.not.</code>	logical negation (<code>.true.</code> \rightarrow <code>.false.</code> and vice-versa)	1
<code>.and.</code>	logical intersection (both are <code>.true.</code>)	2
<code>.or.</code>	logical union (at least one is <code>.true.</code>)	3
<code>.eqv.</code>	logical equivalence (both <code>.true.</code> or both <code>.false.</code>)	4
<code>.neqv.</code>	logical non-equivalence (one is <code>.true.</code> and the other <code>.false.</code>)	4

As with numerical expressions, brackets can be used to override precedence.

A logical variable can be assigned to directly; e.g.

```
ans = .true.
```

or by using a logical expression; e.g.

```
ans = a > 0.0 .and. c > 0.0
```

Logical expressions are most widely encountered in decision making; e.g.

```
if ( discriminant < 0.0 ) print *, "Roots are complex"
```

Older forms `.lt.`, `.le.`, `.gt.`, `.ge.`, `.eq.`, `.ne.` may be used instead of `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=`, `==`, `/=` if desired, but I can't imagine why you would want to.

Character strings can also be compared, according to the *character-collating sequence* used by the compiler; this is often, but not always, ASCII. The Fortran standard requires that for all-upper-case, all-lower-case or all-numeric expressions, normal dictionary order is preserved, working character-by-character from the left. Thus, for example, both the logical expressions

```
"abcd" < "ef"
```

```
"0123" < "3210"
```

are true, but

```
"Dr" < "Apsley"
```

is false. However, upper case may or may not come before lower case in the character-collating sequence and letters may or may not come before numbers, so that mixed-case expressions or mixed alphabetic-numeric expressions should not be compared with the `<`, `<=`, `>`, `>=` operators, as they could conceivably give different answers on different platforms. A more portable method is to use the intrinsic functions `l1t`, `l1e`, `lgt`, `lge`, which guarantee to compare according to the ASCII collating sequence, irrespective of whether that is the native one for the platform.

4.7 Line Discipline

The usual layout of statements is one-per-line. This is the recommended form in most instances. However,

- There may be more than one statement per line, separated by a *semicolon*; e.g.
`a = 1; b = 10; c = 100`

I only recommend this for simple initialisation of related variables.

- Having empty lines between naturally grouped statements achieves much the same effect as in written text: it makes it more readable.
- Each statement may run onto one or more *continuation lines* if there is an *ampersand* (&) at the end of the line to be continued. e.g.
`radians = degrees * PI &
 / 180.0`
is the same as the single-line statement
`radians = degrees * PI / 180.0`

Lines may be up to 132 characters long.

4.8 Miscellaneous Remarks

Pi

The constant π appears a lot in mathematical programming, e.g. when converting between degrees and radians. If a `real` variable `PI` is declared then its value can be set within the program:

```
PI = 3.14159
```

but it is neater to declare it as a `parameter` in its type statement:

```
real, parameter :: PI = 3.14159
```

Alternatively, a popular method to obtain an accurate value is to invert the result $\tan(\pi/4) = 1$:

```
PI = 4.0 * atan( 1.0 )
```

This requires an expensive function evaluation, so should be done only once in a program.

Exponents

If an exponent (“power”) is coded as an integer (i.e. without a decimal point) it will be worked out by repeated multiplication; e.g.

```
a ** 3            will be worked out as    a * a * a  
a ** (-3)        will be worked out as    1 / ( a * a * a )
```

For non-integer powers (including whole numbers if a decimal point is used) the result will be worked out by:

$$a^b = (e^{\ln a})^b = e^{b \ln a}$$

(Actually, the base may not be e , but the premise is the same; e.g.

```
a ** 3.0 will be worked out as something akin to  $e^{3.0 \ln a}$ )
```

However, *logarithms of negative numbers don't exist*, so the following Fortran statement is legitimate:

```
x = (-1) ** 2
```

but the next one isn't:

```
x = (-1) ** 2.0
```

The bottom line is that:

- if the exponent is genuinely a whole number, then don't use a decimal point, or, for small powers, simply write it explicitly as a repeated multiple: e.g. `a * a * a`;
- take special care with odd roots of negative numbers; e.g. $(-1)^{1/3}$; you should work out the fractional power of the magnitude, then adjust the sign; e.g. write $(-8)^{1/3}$ as $-(8)^{1/3}$.

Remember: because of integer arithmetic, the Fortran statement

```
x ** ( 1 / 3 )
```

actually evaluates as `x ** 0` (= 1.0; presumably not intended). To ensure `real` arithmetic, code as

```
x ** ( 1.0 / 3.0 )
```

A useful intrinsic function for setting the sign of an expression is

`sign(x, y)` → absolute value of `x` times the sign of `y`

5. REPETITION: do AND do while

See Sample Programs B

5.1 Types of do Loop

One advantage of computers is that they never get bored by repeating the same action many times.

If a block of code is to be performed repeatedly it is put inside a do loop, the basic structure of which is:

```
do ...  
    repeated section  
end do
```

(Indentation helps to clarify the logical structure of the code – it is easy to see which section is being repeated.)

There are two basic types of do loops:

(a) *Deterministic* do loops – the number of times the section is repeated is stated explicitly; e.g.,

```
do i = 1, 10  
    repeated section  
end do
```

This will perform the repeated section once for each value of the *counter* *i* = 1, 2, 3, ..., 10. The value of *i* itself may or may not actually be used in the repeated section.

(b) *Non-deterministic* do loops – the number of repetitions is not stated in advance. The enclosed section is repeated until some condition is or is not met. This may be done in two alternative ways. The first requires a logical reason for *stopping* looping, whilst the second requires a logical reason for *continuing* looping.

```
do  
    ...  
    if ( logical expression ) exit  
    ...  
end do
```

or

```
do while ( logical expression )  
    repeated section  
end do
```

5.2 Deterministic do Loops

The general form of the do statement in this case is:

```
do variable = value1, value2 [, value3]
```

Note that:

- the loop will execute for each value of the *variable* from *value1* to *value2* in steps of *value3*.
- *value3* is the *stride*; it may be negative or positive; if omitted (a common case) it is assumed to be 1;
- the counter *variable* must be of *integer* type; (there could be round-off errors if using *real* variables);
- *value1*, *value2* and *value3* may be constants (e.g. 100) or expressions evaluating to integers (e.g. $6 * (2 + j)$)

The counter (n in the program below) may, as in this program, simply count the number of loops.

```
program lines
! Illustration of do loops
  implicit none
  integer n                                ! a counter

  do n = 1, 100                            ! start of repeated section
    print *, "I must not talk in class"
  end do                                  ! end of repeated section

end program lines
```

Alternatively, the counter (i in the program below) may actually be used in the repeated section.

```
program doloops
  implicit none
  integer i

  do i = 1, 20
    print *, i, i * i
  end do

end program doloops
```

Observe the effect of changing the do statement to, for example,

```
do i = 10, 20, 3
```

or

```
do i = 20, -20, -5
```

5.3 Non-Deterministic do Loops

The

```
if ( ... ) exit
```

form continues until some logical expression evaluates as `.true.`. Then it jumps out of the loop and continues with the code after the loop. In this form a `.true.` result tells you when to *stop* looping. This can actually be used to exit from any form of loop.

The

```
do while ( ... )
```

form continues until some logical expression evaluates as `.false.`. Then it stops looping and continues with the code after the loop. In this form a `.true.` result tells you when to *continue* looping.

Most problems involving non-deterministic loops can be written in either form, although some programmers express a preference for the latter because it makes clear in an easily identified place (the top of the loop) the criterion for looping.

Non-deterministic do loops are particularly good for

- summing power series (looping stops when the absolute value of a term is less than some given tolerance);
- single-point iteration (looping stops when the change is less than a given tolerance).

As an example of the latter consider the following code for solving the Colebrook-White equation for the friction factor λ in flow through a pipe:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} = -2.0 \log_{10} \left(\frac{k_s}{3.7D} + \frac{2.51}{\text{Re}\sqrt{\lambda}} \right)$$

The user inputs values of the relative roughness (k_s / D) and Reynolds number Re. For simplicity, the program actually iterates for $x = 1/\sqrt{\lambda}$:

$$x = -2.0 \log_{10} \left(\frac{k_s}{3.7D} + \frac{2.51}{\text{Re}} x \right)$$

Note that:

- x must have a starting value (here it is set to 1);
- there must be a criterion for continuing or stopping iteration (here: looping/iteration continues until successive values differ by less than some tolerance, say 10^{-5});
- in practice, this calculation would probably be part of a much bigger pipe-network calculation and would be better coded as a *function* (see Section 9) rather than a *main program*.

```

program friction
  implicit none
  real ksd                      ! Relative roughness (ks/d)
  real re                      ! Reynolds number
  real x                      ! 1/sqrt(lambda)
  real xold                   ! Previous value of x
  real, parameter :: tolerance = 1.0e-5 ! Convergence tolerance

  print *, "Input ks/d and Re"      ! Request values
  read *, ksd, Re

  x = 1.0                          ! Initial guess
  xold = x + 1.0                   ! Anything different from x

  do while ( abs( x - xold ) > tolerance )
    xold = x                      ! Store previous
    x = -2.0 * log10( ksd / 3.7 + 2.51 * x / Re ) ! New value
  end do

  print *, "Friction factor = ", 1.0 / ( x * x ) ! Output lambda
end program friction

```

Exercise: re-code the `do while` loop repeat criterion in the `if (...) exit` form.

5.4 Cycle and Exit

As already noted, the statement

```
exit
```

breaks out of the current *do* loop.

A related statement is

```
cycle
```

which skips straight to the end of the *current* loop, then continues on the next.

5.5 Nested do Loops

do loops can be *nested* (i.e. one inside another). Indentation is highly recommended here to clarify the loop structure. A rather unspectacular example is given below.

```

program nested
  implicit none
  integer i, j                      ! Loop counters

  do i = 10, 100, 10                ! Start of outer loop
    do j = 1, 3                    ! Start of inner loop
      print *, "i, j = ", i, j
    end do                        ! End of inner loop
    print *                        ! Blank line
  end do                            ! End of outer loop
end program nested

```

5.6 Non-Integer Steps

The *do* loop counter must be an integer (to avoid round-off errors). To increment x in a non-integer sequence, e.g
 0.5, 0.8, 1.1, ...

you should work out successive values in terms of a separate integral counter by specifying:

- an initial value (x_0);
- a step size (Δx)
- the number of values to be output (N_x).

The successive values are:

$$x_0, x_0 + \Delta x, x_0 + 2\Delta x, \dots, x_0 + (N_x - 1)\Delta x.$$

The i^{th} value is

$$x_0 + (i - 1)\Delta x \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N_x.$$

```
program xloop
  implicit none
  real x                ! Value to be output
  real x0               ! Initial value of x
  real dx               ! Increment in x
  integer nx            ! Number of values
  integer i             ! Loop counter

  print *, "Input x0, dx, nx"      ! Request values
  read *, x0, dx, nx

  do i = 1, nx                    ! Start of repeated section
    x = x0 + ( i - 1 ) * dx       ! Value to be output
    print *, x
  end do                          ! End of repeated section

end program xloop
```

If one only uses the variable `x` once for each of its values (as above) one could simply combine the lines

```
x = x0 + ( i - 1 ) * dx
print *, x
```

as

```
print *, x0 + ( i - 1 ) * dx
```

There is then no need for a separate variable `x`.

5.7 Implied Do Loops

This highly-compact syntax is often used to initialise arrays (see later) or for input/output of sequential data.

The general form is

(*expression*, *index* = *start*, *end* [, *stride*])

and, like any other do-loop, it may be nested.

For example, the above lines

```
do i = 1, nx
  x = x0 + ( i - 1 ) * dx
  print *, x
end do
```

can be condensed to the single line

```
print *, ( x0 + ( i - 1 ) * dx, i = 1, nx )
```

(but note that, unless `print *` is replaced by a suitable formatted write - see later – then output will all be on one line).

6. DECISION-MAKING: `if` AND `select`

See Sample Programs B

Often a computer is called upon to perform one set of actions if some condition is met, and (optionally) some other set if it is not. This *branching* or *conditional* action can be achieved by the use of `IF` or `CASE` constructs. A very simple use of `if ... else` was given in the quadratic-equation program of Section 3.

6.1 The `if` Construct

There are several forms of `if` construct.

(i) Single statement.

```
if ( logical expression ) statement
```

(ii) Single block of statements.

```
if ( logical expression ) then
```

```
    things to be done if true
```

```
end if
```

(iii) Alternative actions.

```
if ( logical expression ) then
```

```
    things to be done if true
```

```
else
```

```
    things to be done if false
```

```
end if
```

(iv) Several alternatives (there may be several `else if`s, and there may or may not be an `else`).

```
if ( logical expression-1 ) then
```

```
    .....
```

```
else if ( logical expression-2 ) then
```

```
    .....
```

```
[else
```

```
    .....
```

```
]
```

```
end if
```

As with `do` loops, `if` constructs can be nested. (Again, indentation is very helpful for identifying code structure).

6.2 The `select` Construct¹

The `select` construct is a convenient (and sometimes more readable and/or efficient) alternative to an `if ... else if ... else` construct. It allows different actions to be performed depending on the *set* of outcomes (*selector*) of a particular expression.

The general form is:

```
select case ( expression )
  case ( selector-1 )
    block-1
  case ( selector-2 )
    block-2
  [case default
    default block
  ]
end select
```

expression is an integer, character or logical expression. It is often just a simple variable.

selector-n is a set of values that *expression* might take.

block-n is the set of statements to be executed if *expression* lies in *selector-n*.

`case default` is used if *expression* does not lie in any other category. It is optional.

Selectors are lists of non-overlapping integer or character outcomes, separated by commas. Outcomes can be individual values (e.g. 3, 4, 5, 6) or ranges (e.g. 3:6). These are illustrated below and in the week's examples.

Example. What type of key have I pressed?

```
program keypress
  implicit none
  character letter

  print *, "Press a key"
  read *, letter

  select case ( letter )

    case ( 'A', 'E', 'I', 'O', 'U', 'a', 'e', 'i', 'o', 'u' )
      print *, "Vowel"

    case ( 'B':'D', 'F':'H', 'J':'N', 'P':'T', 'V':'Z', &
           'b':'d', 'f':'h', 'j':'n', 'p':'t', 'v':'z' )
      print *, "Consonant"

    case ( '0':'9' )
      print *, "Number"

    case default
      print *, "Something else"

  end select

end program keypress
```

¹ Similar to, but considerably more flexible than, the `switch` construct in C or C++.

7. ARRAYS

See Sample Programs C

In geometry it is common to denote coordinates by x_1, x_2, x_3 or $\{x_i\}$. The elements of matrices are written as $a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{mn}$ or $\{a_{ij}\}$. These are examples of *subscripted variables* or *arrays*.

Mathematically, we often denote the whole array by its unsubscripted name; e.g. **x** for $\{x_i\}$ or **a** for $\{a_{ij}\}$. Whilst subscripted variables are important in any programming language, it is the ability to refer to an array as a whole, without subscripts, which makes Fortran particularly valuable in engineering. The ability to refer to just segments of it, e.g. the *array section* $x(4:10)$ is just the icing on the cake.

When referring to individual *elements*, subscripts are enclosed in parentheses; e.g. $x(1)$, $a(1,2)$, etc.²

7.1 One-Dimensional Arrays (Vectors)

Example. Consider the following program to fit a straight line to the set of points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ and then print them out, together with the best-fit straight line. The data file is assumed to be of the form shown right and the best-fit straight line is $y = mx + c$ where

$$m = \frac{\frac{\sum xy}{n} - \bar{x}\bar{y}}{\frac{\sum x^2}{n} - \bar{x}^2}, \quad c = \bar{y} - m\bar{x} \quad \text{where} \quad \bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{\sum y}{n}$$

n	
x_1	y_1
x_2	y_2
...	
x_n	y_n

(Input/output using files will be covered more fully in Section 10. Just accept the `read()` and `write()` statements for now.)

```
program regression
  implicit none
  integer n
  integer i
  real x(100), y(100)
  real sumx, sumy, sumxy, sumxx
  real m, c
  real xbar, ybar

  ! Number of points
  ! A counter
  ! Arrays to hold the points
  ! Various intermediate sums
  ! Line slope and intercept
  ! Mean x and y

  sumx = 0.0; sumy = 0.0; sumxy = 0.0; sumxx = 0.0
  ! Initialise sums

  open( 10, file = "pts.dat" )
  read( 10, * ) n
  ! Open the data file; attach to unit 10
  ! Read number of points

  ! Read the rest of the marks, one per line, and add to sums
  do i = 1, n
    read( 10, * ) x(i), y(i)
    sumx = sumx + x(i)
    sumy = sumy + y(i)
    sumxy = sumxy + x(i) * y(i)
    sumxx = sumxx + x(i) ** 2
  end do
  close( 10 )
  ! Finished with the data file

  ! Calculate best-fit straight line
  xbar = sumx / n
  ybar = sumy / n
  m = ( sumxy / n - xbar * ybar ) / ( sumxx / n - xbar ** 2 )
  c = ybar - m * xbar

  print *, "Slope = ", m
  print *, "Intercept = ", c
  print "( 3( 1x, a10 ) )", "x", "y", "mx+c"
  do i = 1, n
    print "( 3( 1x, es10.3 ) )", x(i), y(i), m * x(i) + c
  end do

end program regression
```

² Note that languages like C, C++ and Java use (separate) square brackets for subscripts; e.g. $x[1]$, $a[1][2]$.

Many basic features of arrays are illustrated by this example. We will then use modern Fortran to improve it.

7.2 Array Declaration

Like any other variables, arrays need to be declared at the start of a program unit and memory space assigned to them. However, unlike *scalar* variables, array declarations require both a *type* (integer, real, complex, character, logical, or a derived type) and a *size* or *dimension* (number of elements).

In this case the two one-dimensional (*rank-1*) arrays `x` and `y` can be declared as of real type with 100 elements by the type-declaration statement

```
real x(100), y(100)
```

or using the dimension attribute:

```
real, dimension(100) :: x, y
```

Actually, since “100” is a “magic number” that we might need to change consistently in many places if we wished to change array size, then it is safer practice to declare array size as a single parameter, e.g.:

```
integer, parameter :: MAXSIZE = 100  
real x(MAXSIZE), y(MAXSIZE)
```

By default, the first element of an array has subscript 1. It is possible to make the array start from subscript 0 (or any other positive or negative integer) by declaring the lower array bound as well. For example, to start at 0 instead of 1:

```
real x(0:99)
```

Warning: in the C, C++ and Java programming languages the lowest subscript is 0 and you can’t change that!

7.3 Dynamic Arrays

An obvious problem arises. What if the number of points `n` is greater than the declared size of the array (here, 100)? Well, different compilers will do different and unpredictable things – most resulting in crashes.

One not-very-satisfactory solution is to check for adequate space, prompting the user to recompile if necessary with a larger array size:

```
read( 10, * ) n  
if ( n > MAXSIZE ) then  
    print *, "Sorry, n > MAXSIZE. Please recompile with larger array"  
    stop  
end if
```

It is probably better to keep out of the way of administrative staff if they encounter this error message!

A far better solution is to use *dynamic memory allocation*: that is, the array size is determined (and computer memory allocated) at run-time, not in advance during compilation. To do this one must use *allocatable* arrays as follows.

(i) In the declaration statement, use the `allocatable` attribute; e.g.

```
real, allocatable :: x(:), y(:)
```

Note that the *shape*, but not *size*, is indicated *at compile-time* by a single colon (:).

(ii) Once the size of the arrays has been identified *at run-time*, allocate them the required amount of memory:

```
read( 10, * ) n  
allocate( x(n), y(n) )
```

(iii) When the arrays are no longer needed, recover memory by de-allocating them:

```
deallocate( x, y )
```

(Additional comments about automatic allocation and deallocation are given later.)

7.4 Array Input/Output and Implied do Loops

In the example, the lines

```
do i = 1, n
  read( 10, * ) x(i), y(i)
  ...
end do
```

mean that at most one pair of points can be input per line. With an *implied do loop*:

```
read( 10, * ) ( x(i), y(i), i = 1, n )
```

the program will simply read the first n data pairs (separated by spaces, commas or line breaks) that it encounters. As all the points are read in one go, they no longer need to be on separate lines, but are taken in order of availability.

A similar statement can be used for output. However, note that

```
write( 11, * ) ( x(i), y(i), i = 1, n )
```

will write successive pairs out *on the same line*, unless told to do otherwise by a formatted record; e.g.

```
write( 11, "( 2( 1x, es10.3 )" ) ( x(i), y(i), i = 1, n )
```

If we are to read or write a single array to its full capacity, then even the implied do loop is unnecessary; e.g.

```
read( 10, * ) x
```

will read enough values to populate x fully.

7.5 Elemental Operations

Sometimes we want to do the same thing to every element of an array. In the above example, for each mark we form the square of that mark and add to a sum. The *array expression*

```
x * x
```

is a new array with elements $\{x_i^2\}$. The expression

```
sum( x * x )
```

therefore produces $\sum x_i^2$. (See the `sum` function later.)

Using many of these array features a shorter version of the program is given below. Note that use of the intrinsic function `sum` obviates the need for extra variables to hold intermediate sums and there is a one-line implied do loop for both input and output.

```
program regression
  implicit none
  integer n
  integer i
  real, allocatable :: x(:), y(:)
  real m, c
  real xbar, ybar

  ! Number of points
  ! A counter
  ! Arrays to hold the points
  ! Line slope and intercept
  ! Mean x and y

  open( 10, file = "pts.dat" )
  read( 10, * ) n
  allocate( x(n), y(n) )
  read( 10, * ) ( x(i), y(i), i = 1, n )
  close( 10 )

  ! Open data file; attach to unit 10
  ! Read number of points
  ! Allocate memory to x and y
  ! Read the rest of the marks
  ! Finished with the data file

  ! Calculate best-fit straight line
  xbar = sum( x ) / n
  ybar = sum( y ) / n
  m = ( sum( x * y ) / n - xbar * ybar ) &
    / ( sum( x * x ) / n - xbar ** 2 )
  c = ybar - m * xbar

  ! Use intrinsic function sum()
  ! Use array operations x * y and x * x

  print *, "Slope = ", m
  print *, "Intercept = ", c
  print "( 3( 1x, a10 ) )", "x", "y", "mx+c"
  print "( 3( 1x, es10.3 ) )", ( x(i), y(i), m * x(i) + c, i = 1, n )

  deallocate( x, y )

  ! Recover memory space (unnecessary here)

end program regression
```

Note that here the value n is assumed to be given as the first line of the file. If this is not given then a reasonable approach is simply to read the file *twice*: the first time to count data pairs, the second to read them into an array allocated to the required size.

7.6 Matrices and Higher-Dimension Arrays

An $m \times n$ array of numbers of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

is called a *matrix* (or *rank-2 array*). The typical element is denoted a_{ij} . It has two subscripts.

Fortran allows matrices (two-dimensional arrays) and, in fact, arrays of up to 7 dimensions. (However, entities of the form $a_{ijklmno}$ have never found much application in engineering!)

In Fortran the declaration and use of a `real 3x3` matrix might look like

```
real A(3,3)
A(1,1) = 1.0;    A(1,2) = 2.0;    A(1,3) = 3.0
A(2,1) = 4.0
etc.
```

Other (better) methods of initialisation will be discussed below.

Matrix Multiplication

Suppose A, B and C are 3x3 matrices declared by

```
real, dimension(3,3) :: A, B, C
```

The statement

```
C = A * B
```

does *element-by-element* multiplication; i.e. each element of C is the product of the corresponding elements in A and B.

To do “proper” matrix multiplication use the standard `matmul` function:

```
C = matmul( A, B )
```

Obviously matrix multiplication is not restricted to 3x3 matrices. However, for matrix multiplication to be legitimate, matrices must be *conformable*; i.e. the number of columns of A must equal the number of rows of B.

A similarly useful function is that computing the *transpose* of a matrix:

```
C = transpose( A )
```

7.7 Terminology

The *rank* of an array is the number of dimensions.

The *extents* of an array are the number of elements in each dimension.

The *shape* of an array is the collection of extents.

The *size* of an array is the total number of elements (i.e. the product of the extents).

7.8 Array Initialisation

One-dimensional arrays

The oldest forms of initialisation are:

- separate statements; e.g.
`A(1) = 2.0; A(2) = 4.0; A(3) = 6.0; A(4) = 8.0; A(5) = 10.0`
- data statement:
`data A / 2.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0, 10.0 /`
- loop and formula (if there is one):
`do i = 1, 5
 A(i) = 2 * i
end do`

- reading from file

With modern Fortran we can do whole-array assignments or array operations:

- whole-array assignment (see Section 7.10 below) to a constant:

```
A = 2.0
```

or in terms of other arrays:

```
A = B + C
```

- *array constructor*: either (/ /) or the more modern form [....]

```
A = (/ 2.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0, 10.0 /)
```

or

```
A = [ 2.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0, 10.0 ]
```

Array constructors can be combined with a whole-array operation:

```
A = 2 * [ 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0 ]
```

or a combination of array constructor and implied do loop:

```
A = [ ( 2 * i, i = 1, 5 ) ]
```

(With an up-to-date compiler) an allocatable array can be automatically allocated and assigned (or reallocated and reassigned) *without a separate allocate (or deallocate) statement*. Thus:

```
real, allocatable :: A(:)
```

```
A = [ 2.0, 4.0, 6.0, 8.0, 10.0 ]
```

will allocate the array as size 5, with no need for

```
allocate( A(5) )
```

in between. Moreover, if we subsequently write, for example,

```
A = [ ( 2 * i, i = 1, 10 ) ]
```

then the array will be *reallocated* with a new size of 10.

If we simply want to add more elements to an allocatable array then we can write, e.g.,

```
A = [ A, 12.0, 14.0 ]
```

This quietly forms a temporary array constructor from array A plus the new elements, then reallocates and reassigns A.

In addition, *locally* allocated arrays (only existing within a single subroutine or function – see later) are automatically deallocated at the end of that procedure, without a need for a deallocate statement.

Multi-Dimensional Arrays

Similar statements can also be used to initialise multi-dimensional arrays. However, the storage order of elements is important. In Fortran, *column-major* storage is used; i.e. the *first subscript varies fastest*. For example, the storage order of a 3×3 matrix is

```
A(1,1), A(2,1), A(3,1), A(1,2), A(2,2), A(3,2), A(1,3), A(2,3), A(3,3)
```

Warning: this storage order is the opposite convention to the C or C++ programming languages.

As an example, suppose we wish to create the array

```
1 2 3
4 5 6
7 8 9
```

with the usual matrix(row,column) indexing convention.

If we try

```
program main
  implicit none
  character(len=*), parameter :: fmt = "( 3( i2, 1x ) )"
  integer row, col
  integer A(3,3)
  data A / 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 /

  do row = 1, 3
    write( *, fmt ) ( A(row,col), col = 1, 3 )
  end do
end program main
```

then we obtain, rather disconcertingly,

```
1  4  7
2  5  8
3  6  9
```

We can compensate for the column-major order either by adjusting the order in the data statement:

```
data A / 1, 4, 7, 2, 5, 8, 3, 6, 9 /
```

which is error-prone rather hard work. Alternatively, we could retain the original data statement but simply transpose A as our first executable statement:

```
data A / 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 /
A = transpose( A )
```

In modern usage one can use an array constructor instead of a data statement. Since, however, an array constructor is 1-dimensional it must be combined with a call to the `reshape` function to put it in the correct shape (here, 3×3):

```
A = reshape( [ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ], [ 3, 3 ] )
A = transpose( A )
```

The first argument to the `reshape` function is the 1-d array, the second is the shape (set of extents) of the intended output.

These approaches all lead to the desired output

```
1  2  3
4  5  6
7  8  9
```

7.9 Array Expressions

Arrays are used where large numbers of data elements are to be treated in similar fashion. Fortran allows a very powerful syntactic shorthand to be used whereby, if the array name is used in a numeric expression without subscripts, then the operation is assumed to be performed on *every element* of an array. This is far more concise than older versions of Fortran, where it was necessary to use `do` loops, and, indeed many other computer languages.

For example, suppose that arrays `x`, `y` and `z` are declared with, say, 10 elements:

```
real, dimension(10) :: x, y, z
```

Assignment

```
x = 5.0
```

sets every element of `x` to the value 5.0.

Array Expressions

```
y = -3 * x
```

Sets y_i to $-3x_i$ for each element of the respective arrays.

```
y = x + 3
```

Although 3 is only a scalar, y_i is set to $x_i + 3$ for each element of the arrays.

```
z = x * y
```

Sets z_i to $x_i y_i$ for each element of the respective arrays. Remember: this is “element-by-element” multiplication.

Array Arguments to Intrinsic Functions

```
y = sin( x )
```

Sets y_i to $\sin(x_i)$ for each element of the respective arrays. `sin` is said to be an *elemental* function, as are most of Fortran’s intrinsic functions. In the Advanced course we shall see how to make our own functions do this.

7.10 Array Sections

An *array section* is a subset of an array and is denoted by a range operator

lower : upper : stride

for one particular dimension of the array. One or more of these may be omitted. If *lower* is omitted it defaults to the lower bound of that dimension; if *upper* is omitted then it defaults to the upper bound. If *stride* is omitted then it defaults to 1.

For example, if A is a rank-1 array with dimension 9 and elements 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90 then

```
A(3:5) is [ 30, 40, 50 ]
A(:4) is [ 10, 20, 30, 40 ]
A(2::2) is [ 20, 40, 60, 80 ]
```

Note that array sections *are themselves arrays* and can be used in whole-array and elemental operations.

An important use is in reduction of rank for higher-rank arrays. For example, if A, B and C are rank-2 arrays (matrices) then

```
A(i,:) is the ith row of A
B(:,j) is the jth row of B
```

Thus,

```
C(i,j) = sum( A(i,:) * B(:,j) )
```

forms the scalar product of the *i*th row of A and *j*th row of B, giving the (*i*, *j*) component of the matrix $C = AB$.

7.11 The where Construct

where is like an if construct applied to every element of an array. For example, to turn every non-zero element of an array a into its reciprocal, one could write

```
where ( A /= 0.0 )
  A = 1.0 / A
end where
```

The element (A /= 0.0) actually yields a *mask*, or logical array of the same shape as A, but whose elements are simply true or false. A similar logical mask is used in the array functions ALL and ANY in the next subsection.

Note that the individual elements of a are never mentioned. {where, else, else where, end where} can be used whenever one wants to use a corresponding {if, else, else if, end if} for each element of an array.

7.12 Array-handling Functions

Fortran's use of arrays is extremely powerful, and many intrinsic routines are built into the language to facilitate array handling. For example, a do-loop summation can be replaced by a single statement; e.g.

```
sumx = sum( x )
```

This uses the intrinsic function sum, which adds together all elements of its array argument.

Most mathematical intrinsic routines are actually *elemental*, which means that they can be applied equally to scalar variables and arrays.

For a full set of array-related functions please consult the recommended textbooks. However, subset that you may find useful are given below.

A number of intrinsic routines exist to query the shape of arrays. Assume A is an array with 1 or more dimensions. Its *rank* is the number of dimensions; its *extents* are the number of elements in each dimension; its *shape* is the collection of extents.

lbound(A)	returns a rank-1 array holding the lower bound in each dimension.
lbound(A, i)	returns an integer holding the lower bound in the <i>i</i> th dimension.
shape(A)	returns a rank-1 array giving the extents in each direction
size(A)	returns an integer holding the complete size of the array (product of its extents)
size(A, i)	returns an integer holding the extent in the <i>i</i> th dimension.
ubound(A)	returns a rank-1 array holding the upper bound in each dimension.
ubound(A, i)	returns an integer holding the upper bound in the <i>i</i> th dimension.

Algebra of vectors (rank-1 arrays)

```
dot_product( U, V ) returns the scalar product of U and V
```

Algebra of matrices (rank-2 arrays):

```
matmul( A, B ) returns the matrix multiple (rather than elemental multiple) of arrays A and B
transpose( A ) returns the transpose of matrix A
```

Reshaping arrays:

`reshape(A, S)` A is a source array, S is the 1-d array of extents to which to reshape it

Scalar results:

<code>sum(A)</code>	returns the sum of all elements of A
<code>product(A)</code>	returns the product of all elements of A
<code>minval(A)</code>	returns the minimum value in A
<code>maxval(A)</code>	returns the maximum value in A
<code>count(<i>logical expr</i>)</code>	returns the number of elements of A fulfilling the logical condition
<code>all (<i>logical expr</i>)</code>	returns <code>.true.</code> or <code>.false.</code> according as all elements of A fulfil the condition or not
<code>any(<i>logical expr</i>)</code>	returns <code>.true.</code> or <code>.false.</code> according as any elements of A fulfil the condition or not

An example of some of these for a rank-1 array is given below.

```
program test
  implicit none
  integer :: A(10) = [ 2, 3, 3, 6, 2, 8, 5, 5, 1, 12 ]
  integer :: value = 5

  print *, "A: ", A
  print *, "Size of A: ", size( A )
  print *, "Lower bound of A is ", lbound( A )
  print *, "Upper bound of A is ", ubound( A )
  print *, "Sum of the elements of A is ", sum( A )
  print *, "Product of the elements of A is ", product( A )
  print *, "Maximum value in A is ", maxval( A )
  print *, "Minimum value in A is ", minval( A )
  print *, count( A == value ), " values of A are equal to ", value
  print *, "Any value of A > 10? ", any( A > 10 )
  print *, "All value of A > 10? ", all( A > 10 )

end program test
```

```
A:  2 3 3 6 2 8 5 5 1 12
Size of A:  10
Lower bound of A is  1
Upper bound of A is  10
Sum of the elements of A is  47
Product of the elements of A is  518400
Maximum value in A is  12
Minimum value in A is  1
 2  values of A are equal to  5
Any value of A > 10?  T
All value of A > 10?  F
```

8. TEXT HANDLING

See Sample Programs C

Fortran (FORMula TRANslation) was originally developed for scientific and engineering calculations, not word-processing. However, modern versions now have extensive text-handling capabilities.

8.1 Character Constants and Variables

A *character constant* (or *string*) is a series of characters enclosed in delimiters, which may be either single (') or double (") quotes; e.g.

```
'This is a string' or "This is a string"
```

The delimiters themselves are not part of the string.

Delimiters of the opposite type can be used within a string with impunity; e.g.

```
print *, "This isn't a problem"
```

However, if the bounding delimiter is to be included in the string then it must be doubled up; e.g.

```
print *, 'This isn''t a problem.'
```

Character variables must have their *length* – i.e. number of characters – declared in order to set aside memory. The following will declare a character variable *word* of length 10:

```
character(len=10) word
```

To save counting characters, an assumed length (indicated by *len=* or, simply, **) may be used for character variables with the parameter attribute; i.e. those whose value is fixed. e.g.

```
character(len=*), parameter :: UNIVERSITY = "Manchester"
```

If *len* is not specified for a character variable then it defaults to 1; e.g.

```
character letter
```

Character arrays are simply subscripted character variables. Their declaration requires a dimension statement in addition to length; e.g.

```
character(len=3), dimension(12) :: months
```

or, equivalently,

```
character(len=3) months(12)
```

This array might then be initialised by, for example,

```
data months / "Jan", "Feb", "Mar", "Apr", "May", "Jun", &  
              "Jul", "Aug", "Sep", "Oct", "Nov", "Dec" /
```

or declared and initialised together:

```
character(len=3) :: months(12) = [ "Jan", "Feb", "Mar", "Apr", "May", "Jun", &  
                                   "Jul", "Aug", "Sep", "Oct", "Nov", "Dec" ]
```

8.2 Character Assignment

When character variables are assigned they are filled from the left and padded with blanks if necessary. For example, if *university* is a character variable of length 7 then

```
university = "UMIST"           fills university with "UMIST  "  
university = "Manchester"      fills university with "Manches"
```

8.3 Character Operators

The only character operator is *// (concatenation)* which simply sticks two strings together; e.g.

```
"Man" // "chester" → "Manchester"
```

8.4 Character Substrings

Character substrings may be extended in a similar fashion to sub-arrays; (in a sense, a character string *is* an array of single characters). e.g. if `city` is "Manchester" then

```
city(2:5) is "anch"
city (:3) is "Man"
city (7:) is "ster"
city(5:5) is "h"
city( : ) is "Manchester"
```

Note: if we want the i^{th} letter then we cannot write `city(i)` as for arrays, but instead `city(i:i)`.

8.5 Comparing and Ordering

Each computer system has a *character-collating sequence* that specifies the intrinsic ordering of the character set. The most common is ASCII (shown below). ‘Less than’ (<) and ‘greater than’ (>) strictly refer to the position of the characters in this collating sequence.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
30			space	!	"	#	\$	%	&	'
40	()	*	+	,	-	.	/	0	1
50	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	:	;
60	<	=	>	?	@	A	B	C	D	E
70	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
80	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y
90	Z	[\]	^	_	`	a	b	c
100	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m
110	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w
120	x	y	z	{		}	~	del		

The ASCII character set. Characters 0-31 are control characters like [TAB] or [ESC] and are not shown.

The Fortran standard requires that upper-case letters A-Z and lower-case letters a-z are separately in alphabetical order, that the numerals 0-9 are in numerical order, and that a blank space comes before both. It does not, however, specify whether numbers come before or after letters in the collating sequence, or lower case comes before or after upper case. Provided there is consistent case, strings can be compared on the basis of dictionary order. However, the standard gives no guidance when comparing letters with numerals or upper with lower case using < and >. Instead, we can use the `llt` (logically-less-than) and `lgt` (logically-greater-than) functions, which ensure comparisons according to the ASCII ordering. Similarly there are `lle` (logically-less-than-or-equal) and `lge` (logically-greater-than-or-equal) functions.

Examples. The following logical expressions are all “true” (which may cause some controversy!):

```
"Manchester City" < "Manchester United"
"Mickey Mouse" > "Donald Trump"
"First year" < "Second year"
```

Examples.

```
100 < 20           gives .false. as a numeric comparison
"100" < "20"       gives .true. as a string comparison (comparison based on the first character)
```

and

```
LLT( "1st", "First" ) gives .true. by ASCII ordering according to first character.
```

8.6 Intrinsic Subprograms With Character Arguments

The more common character-handling routines are given in Appendix A4. A full set is given in the recommended textbooks.

Position in the Collating Sequence

`char(i)` character in position `i` of the system collating sequence;
`ichar(c)` position of character `c` in the system collating sequence.

The system may or may not use ASCII as a collating system, but the following routines are always available:

`achar(i)` character in position `i` of the ASCII collating sequence;
`iachar(c)` position of character `c` in the ASCII collating sequence.

The collating sequence may be used, for example, to sort names into alphabetical order or convert between upper and lower case, as in the following example.

Example. Since the separation of 'b' and 'B', 'c' and 'C' etc. in the collating sequence is the same as that between 'a' and 'A', the following subroutine may be used successively for each character to convert lower to upper case. If `letter` has lower case it will:

- convert to its number using `ichar()`
- add the numerical difference between upper and lower case: `ichar('A') - ichar('a')`
- convert back to a character using `char()`

```
subroutine uc( letter )
  implicit none
  character (len=1) letter

  if ( letter >= 'a' .and. letter <= 'z' ) then
    letter = char( ichar( letter ) + ichar( 'A' ) - ichar( 'a' ) )
  end if

end subroutine uc
```

Length of String

`len(string)` declared length of `string`, even if it contains trailing blanks;
`trim(string)` same as `string` but without any trailing blanks;
`len_trim(string)` length of `string` with any trailing blanks removed.

Justification

`adjustl(string)` left-justified `string`
`adjustr(string)` right-justified `string`

Finding Text Within Strings

`index(string, substring)` position of first (i.e. leftmost) occurrence of `substring` in `string`
`scan(string, set)` position of first occurrence of *any* character from `set` in `string`
`verify(string, set)` position of first character in `string` that is *not* in `set`

Each of these functions returns 0 if no such position is found.

To search for the *last* (i.e. rightmost) rather than first occurrence, add a third argument `.true.`, e.g.:

```
index( string, substring, .true. )
```

Other

`repeat(string, ncopies)` produces a character made up of `ncopies` concatenations of `string`.
e.g.

```
character(len=*) , parameter :: base = repeat( "ABC", 4 )
```

produces

```
base = "ABCABCABCABC"
```

9. FUNCTIONS AND SUBROUTINES

See Sample Programs C

All major computing languages allow complex and/or repetitive programs to be broken down into simpler *procedures* or *subprograms*, each carrying out particular well-defined tasks, often with different values of their *arguments*. In Fortran these procedures are called *subroutines* and *functions*. Examples of the action carried out by a single procedure might be:

- calculate the distance $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ of a point (x,y) from the origin;
- calculate $n! = n(n-1)\dots 2.1$ for a positive integer n

As these are likely to be needed several times, it is appropriate to code them as a distinct procedure.

9.1 Intrinsic Procedures

Certain *intrinsic* procedures are defined by the Fortran standard and must be provided by an implementation's libraries. For example, the statement

```
y = x * sqrt( x )
```

invokes an *intrinsic function* `sqrt`, with *argument* `x`, and *returns* a value (in this case, the square root of its argument) which is then employed to evaluate the numeric expression.

Useful mathematical intrinsic procedures are listed in Appendix A4. The complete set required by the standard is given in the recommended textbooks. Particular Fortran implementations may also supply additional procedures, but you would then be tied to that particular compiler.

9.2 Program Units

There are four types of *program unit*:

main programs

subroutines

functions

modules

Each source file may contain one or more program units and is compiled separately. (This is why one requires a link stage after compilation.) The advantage of separating program units between source files is that other programs can make use of a particular subset of the routines.

Main Programs

Every Fortran program must contain exactly one *main program* which should start with a `program` statement. This may invoke functions or subroutines which may, in turn, invoke other procedures.

Subroutines

A subroutine is invoked by

```
call subroutine-name ( argument list )
```

The subroutine carries out some action according to the value of the arguments. It may or may not change the values of these arguments. There may be no arguments (in which case the brackets are optional).

Functions

A function is invoked simply by using its name (and argument list) in a numeric expression; e.g. a function `radius`:

```
distance = radius( x, y )
```

Within the function's source code its name (without arguments) is treated as a variable and should be assigned a value, which is the value of the function on exit – see the example below³. A function should be used when a single variable is to be returned. It is permissible, but not usual practice, for a function to change its arguments – a better vehicle in that case would be a subroutine.

³ An alternative version, using the name in a result clause, is given in the Advanced part of the course.

Functions and subroutines are collectively called *procedures*. A subroutine is like a void function, and a function like a type-returning function in C or C++.

Modules (see Section 11)

Functions and subroutines may be *internal* (i.e. contain-ed within and only accessible to one particular program unit) or *external* (and accessible to all). Related internal routines are better gathered together in special program units called *modules*. Their contents are then made available collectively to other program units by the initial statement

use *module-name*

Modules have many other uses and are increasingly “the way that Fortran is evolving”; we will examine some of them in later sections.

The basic forms of main program, subroutines and functions with no internal subprograms are very similar and are given below. As usual, [] denotes something optional but, in these cases, it is strongly recommended.

Main program

```
[program [name]]
  use statements
  [implicit none]
  type declarations
  executable statements
end [program [name]]
```

Subroutines

```
subroutine name (argument-list)
  use statements
  [implicit none]
  type declarations
  executable statements
end [subroutine [name]]
```

Functions

```
[type] function name (argument-list)
  use statements
  [implicit none]
  type declarations
  executable statements
end [function [name]]
```

The first statement defines the type of program unit, its name and its arguments. function procedures must also have a *return type*. This must be declared either in the initial statement (as here) or in a separate type declaration within the routine itself.

Procedures pass control back to the calling program when they reach the end statement. Sometimes it is required to pass control back before this. This is effected by the *return* statement. An early death to the program as a whole can be achieved by a *stop* statement.

Many actions could be coded as either a function or a subroutine. For example, consider a program which calculates distance from the origin, $r = (x^2 + y^2)^{1/2}$:

(Using a function)

```
program example
  implicit none
  real x, y
  real, external :: radius

  print *, "Input x, y"
  read *, x, y

  print *, "Distance = ", radius( x, y )

end program example

!=====

real function radius( a, b )
  implicit none
  real a, b

  radius = sqrt( a ** 2 + b ** 2 )

end function radius
```

(Using a subroutine)

```
program example
  implicit none
  real x, y
  real radius
  external distance

  print *, "Input x, y"
  read *, x, y
  call distance( x, y, radius )
  print *, "Distance = ", radius

end program example

!=====

subroutine distance( a, b, r )
  implicit none
  real a, b, r

  r = sqrt( a ** 2 + b ** 2 )

end subroutine distance
```

In the first example, the calling program must declare the type of the function (here, *real*) amongst its other type declarations. It is optional, but good practice, to identify external procedures by using either an *external* attribute in the type statement (first example) or a separate *external* statement (second example). This makes clear what external routines are being used and

ensures that if the Fortran implementation supplied an intrinsic routine of the same name then the external routine would override it. (Function names can themselves be passed as arguments; in that case the `external` is obligatory for a user procedure unless an explicit interface is supplied – see the Advanced course).

Note that all variables in the functions or subroutines above have *scope* the program unit in which they are declared; that is, they have no connection with any variables of the same name in any other program unit.

9.3 Subprogram Arguments

The arguments in the `function` or `subroutine` statement are called *dummy arguments*: they exist only for the purpose of defining that procedure and have no connection to other variables of the same name in other program units. The arguments used when the procedure is actually invoked are called the *actual arguments*. They may be variables (e.g. `x`, `y`), constants (e.g. `1.0`, `2.0`) or expressions (e.g. `3.0 + x`, or `2.0 / y`), but they must be of the same type and number as the dummy arguments. For example, the `radius` function above could not be invoked as `radius(x)` (too few arguments) or as `radius(1, 2)` (arguments of the wrong type: integer rather than real). Even if they are variables there is no reason why actual arguments have to have the same name as the dummy arguments (though that is quite common). On occasion there may be no arguments.

You may wonder how it is, then, that many intrinsic subprograms can be invoked with different types of argument. For example, in the statement

```
y = exp( x )
```

`x` may be real or complex, scalar or array. This is achieved by a process known as *overloading* and `exp` is called a *generic*, *elemental* function. These properties are dealt with in the Advanced course.

Passing by Name/Passing by Reference

In Fortran, if the actual arguments are variables, they are passed *by reference*, and their values will change if the values of the dummy arguments change in the subprogram. If, however, the actual arguments are either constants or expressions, then the arguments are passed *by value*; i.e. the values are copied into the subprogram's dummy arguments.

Warning: in C, all arguments are, by default, passed by value – a feature that necessitates the use of *pointers* to change values. C++ has extended this to include implied pointers or “references”.

Declaration of Intent

Because input variables passed as arguments may be changed unwittingly if the dummy arguments change within a subprogram, or, conversely, because a particular argument is intended as output and so must be assigned to a variable (not a constant or expression), it is good practice to declare whether dummy arguments are intended as input or output by using the `intent` attribute. e.g. in the above example:

```
subroutine distance( a, b, r )  
  real, intent(in) :: a, b  
  real, intent(out) :: r
```

This signifies that dummy arguments `a` and `b` must not be changed within the subroutine and that the third actual argument must be a variable. There is also an `intent(inout)` attribute.

9.4 The `save` Attribute

By default, variables declared within a subprogram do not retain their values between successive calls to the same subprogram. This behaviour can be overridden by the `save` attribute; e.g.

```
real, save :: x
```

which will store the value of `x` for the next time the routine is used. Variables initialised by `data` statements are automatically saved, as are variables in modules.

`save` with a list of variables can also be used as a separate statement to save those variables:

```
real x, y, z  
save x, y
```

If `save` is used without any list then *all* variables in that program unit are saved.

9.5 Array Arguments

Arrays can be passed as arguments in much the same way as scalars, except that the procedure must know the dimensions of the array. In this section we assume that they are passed as *explicit-shape* arrays; that is, array dimensions are known at compile time. (The Advanced course will look at other ways of specifying array size for a procedure argument.)

- Fixed array size – usually for smaller arrays such as coordinate vectors; e.g.

```
subroutine geometry( x )  
  real x(3)
```

- Pass the array size as an argument; e.g.

```
subroutine geometry( ndim, x )  
  real x(ndim)
```

9.6 Character Arguments

Dummy arguments of character type behave in a similar manner to arrays – their length must be made known to the subprogram. However, a character dummy argument may always be declared with *assumed length* (determined by the length of the actual argument); e.g.

```
call example( "David" )  
  
...  
subroutine example( person )  
  character(len=*) person    ! Determines the length from the actual argument
```

10. INPUT/OUTPUT

See Sample Programs D

Hitherto we have used simple *list-directed* input/output (i/o) with the *standard input/output devices* (keyboard and screen):

```
read *, list
print *, list
```

This section describes how to:

- use *formatted* output to control the layout of results;
- read from and write to *files*;
- use additional *specifiers* to provide advanced i/o control.

10.1 READ and WRITE

General list-directed i/o is performed by the statements

```
read( unit, format ) list
write( unit, format ) list
```

unit can be one of:

- an asterisk *, meaning the standard i/o device (usually the keyboard/screen);
- a *unit number* in the range 1 to 99 which has been associated with an *external file* (see below);
- a character variable (*internal file*): this is the simplest way of interconverting numbers and strings.

format can be one of:

- an asterisk *, meaning list-directed i/o;
- a *label* associated with a *format* statement containing a format specification;
- a character constant or expression evaluating to a format specification.

list is a set of variables or expressions to be input or output.

In terms of the simpler i/o statements used before:

```
read( *, * )    is equivalent to    read *
write( *, * )   is equivalent to    print *
```

10.2 Input/Output With Files

Before an external file can be read from or written to, it must be associated with a *unit number* by an *open* statement. e.g. to associate the external file `input.dat` (in the current working directory) with the unit number 10:

```
open( 10, file="input.dat" )
```

One can then read from the file using

```
read( 10, ... ) ...
```

or write to the file using

```
write( 10, ... ) ...
```

Although units are automatically disconnected at program end it is good practice (and it frees the unit number for re-use) if it is explicitly closed when no longer needed. For the above example, this means:

```
close( 10 )
```

In general the unit number (10 in the above example) may be any number in the range 1-99. Historically, however, 5 and 6 have been preconnected to the standard input and standard output devices, respectively.

The example above shows *open* used to attach a file for *sequential* (i.e. beginning-to-end), *formatted* (i.e. human-readable) access. This is the default and is all we shall have time to cover in this course. However, Fortran can be far more flexible – see for example the recommended textbooks.

10.3 Formatted WRITE

In the output statement

```
write( unit, format ) list
```

list is a comma-separated set of constants or variables to be output, *unit* indicates where the output is to go, whilst *format* indicates the way in which the output is to be set out. If *format* is an asterisk * then the computer will choose how to set it out. However, if you wish to display output in a particular way, for example in neat columns, then you must specify the format more carefully.

Alternative Formatting Methods

The following code fragments are equivalent means of specifying the same output format. They show how *i*, *f* and *e* *edit specifiers* display the number 55 in integer, fixed-point and floating-point formats.

(i) Using a format statement with a label (here 150):

```
write( *, 150 ) 55, 55.0, 55.0
...
150 format( 1x, i3, 1x, f5.2, 1x, e8.2 )
```

The format statement can be put anywhere within the executable statements of that program unit.

(ii) Putting the format directly into the write statement:

```
write( *, "( 1x, i3, 1x, f5.2, 1x, e8.2 )" ) 55, 55.0, 55.0
```

(iii) Putting the format in a character variable *C* (either in its declaration as here, or a subsequent assignment):

```
character(len=*) parameter :: fmt = "( 1x, i3, 1x, f5.2, 1x, e8.2 )"
...
write( *, fmt ) 55, 55.0, 55.0
```

Any of these will output (to the screen):

```
55 55.00 0.55e+02
```

Terminology

A *record* is an individual line of input/output.

A *format specification* describes how data is laid out in (one or more) records.

A *label* is a number in the range 1–99999 preceding a statement on the same line. The commonest uses are in conjunction with *format* statements and to indicate where control should pass following an i/o error.

Edit Descriptors

A *format specification* consists of a series of *edit descriptors* (e.g. *i4*, *f7.3*) separated by commas and enclosed by brackets.

The commonest edit descriptors are:

<i>iw</i>	integer in a field of width <i>w</i> ; note that <i>i0</i> in output means “whatever length is necessary”;
<i>fw.d</i>	real, fixed-point format, in a field of width <i>w</i> with <i>d</i> decimal places;
<i>ew.d</i>	real, floating-point (<i>exponential</i>) format in a field of width <i>w</i> with <i>d</i> decimal places;
<i>gw.d</i>	real format in whichever of <i>fw.d</i> or <i>gw.d</i> is more appropriate to the output;
<i>npew.d</i>	floating point format as above with <i>n</i> significant figures in front of the decimal point;
<i>esw.d</i>	“scientific” notation; i.e. 1 significant figure in front of the decimal point;
<i>enw.d</i>	“engineering” notation; i.e. multiples of 3 significant figures in front of the decimal point;
<i>lw</i>	logical value (T or F) in a field of width <i>w</i> ;
<i>aw</i>	character string in a field of width <i>w</i> ;
<i>a</i>	character string of length determined by the output list; for input: a whole line of data;
<i>"text"</i>	a character string actually placed in the format specification;
<i>nx</i>	<i>n</i> spaces
<i>tn</i>	move to position <i>n</i> of the current record;
<i>/</i>	start a new record;
<i>*</i>	repeat the following bracketed subformat as often as needed;
<i>:</i>	finish the record here if there is no further data to be read/written.

This is only a fraction of the available edit descriptors – see the recommended textbooks.

Notes:

- (1) If the required number of characters is less than the specified width then the output will be right-justified in its field.
- (2) (For numerical output) if the required number of characters exceeds the specified width then the field will be filled with asterisks. E.g, attempting to write 999 with edit descriptor `i2` will result in `**`.
- (3) Attempting to write output using an edit specifier of the wrong type (e.g. `3.14` in integer specifier `i4`) will result in a run-time – but *not* compile-time error; try it so that you can recognise the error message.
- (4) The format specifier will be used repeatedly until the output list is exhausted. Each use will start a new record. For example,

```
write( *, "( 1x, i2, 1x, i2, 1x, i2 )" ) ( i, i = 1, 5 )
```

will produce the following lines of output:

```
1  2  3
4  5
```
- (5) If the whole format specifier isn't required (as in the last line above) the rest is simply ignored.

Repeat Counts

Format specifications can be simplified by collecting repeated sequences together in brackets with a repeat factor. For example, the code example above could also be written

```
write( *, "( 3( 1x, i2 )" ) ) ( i, i = 1, 5 )
```

Because the format string allows 3 integers per record, the line breaks after records result in two lines of output:

```
1  2  3
4  5
```

However, the repeat count can also be `*`, which means “as often as necessary”:

```
write( *, "( *( 1x, i2 )" ) ) ( i, i = 1, 5 )
```

This produces

```
1  2  3  4  5
```

Colon Editing

CSV (comma-separated values) files – with data fields separated by commas – are widely used for tabular data, and can be easily read or written by Microsoft Excel. If we try to output a comma after every item, by, e.g.,

```
write( *, "( *( i2, ',' ) )" ) ( i, i = 1, 5 )
```

then we obtain

```
1, 2, 3, 4, 5,
```

with a trailing comma. The fix for this is to precede what we don't want (just a comma in this instance) by `:`, which means “stop here if there is no more data”. So

```
write( *, "( *( i2, :, ',' ) )" ) ( i, i = 1, 5 )
```

produces

```
1, 2, 3, 4, 5
```

without the trailing comma.

Historical Baggage: Carriage Control

It is recommended that the first character of an output record be a blank. This is best achieved by making the first edit specifier either `1x` (one blank space) or `t2` (start at the second character of the record). In the earliest versions of Fortran the first character effected line control on a line printer. A blank meant ‘start a new record’. Although such carriage control is long gone, a few i/o devices may still ignore the first character of a record.

10.4 The read Statement

In the input statement

```
read( unit, format ) list
```

list is a set of variables to receive the data. *unit* and *format* are as for the corresponding `write` statement.

Although formatted reads are possible (an example is given in the example programs D), it is uncommon for *format* to be anything other than `*` (i.e. list-directed input). If there is more than one variable in *list* then the input items can be separated by blank spaces, commas or simply new lines.

Notes.

- (1) Each `read` statement will keep reading values from the input until the variables in *list* are assigned to, even if this means going on to the next record.
- (2) Each `read` statement will, by default, start reading from a new line, even if there is input data unread on the previous line. In particular, the statement

```
read( *, * )
```

(with no *list*) will simply skip a line of unwanted data.
- (3) The variables in *list* must correspond in type to the input data – there will be a run-time error if you try to read a number with a decimal point into an integer variable, or some text into a real variable, for example.

Example. The following program reads the first two items from each line of an input file `input.dat` and writes their sum to a file `output.dat`.

```
program io
  implicit none
  integer i
  integer a, b

  open( 10, file="input.dat" )
  open( 20, file="output.dat" )

  do i = 1, 4
    read( 10, * ) a, b
    write( 20, * ) a + b
  end do

  close( 10 )
  close( 20 )

end program io
```

A sample input file (`input.dat`) is:

```
10  3
-2  33
3   -6
40  15
```

Exercise:

- (1) Type the source code into file `io.f90` (say) and the input data into `input.dat` (saving it in the same folder). Compile and run the program and check the output file.
- (2) Modify the program to write the output to screen instead of to file.
- (3) Modify the program to format the output in a tidy column.
- (4) Try changing the input file and predicting/observing what happens. Note any run-time error messages.
 - (i) Change the first data item from 10 to 10.0 – why does this fail at run-time?
 - (ii) Add an extra number to the end of the first line – does this make any difference to output?
 - (iii) Split the last line with a line break – does this make any difference to output?
 - (iv) Change the loop to run 3 times (without changing the input data).
 - (v) Change the loop to run 5 times (without changing the input data).

10.5 Repositioning Input Files

`rewind unit` repositions the file attached to *unit* at the first record.
`backspace unit` repositions the file attached to *unit* at the start of the previous record.

Obviously, neither will work if *unit* is attached to the keyboard!

10.6 Additional Specifiers

The general form of the `read` statement is

```
read ( unit, format[, specifiers] )
```

Some useful specifiers are:

`iostat = integer-variable` assigns *integer-variable* with a number indicating status
`err = label` jump to *label* on an error (e.g. missing data or data of the wrong type);
`end = label` jump to *label* when the end-of-file marker is reached.

`iostat` returns zero if the read is successful, implementation-dependent negative integers for end-of-file (EOF) or end-of-record (EOR), and positive integers for other errors.

Non-Advancing Input/Output

By default, each `read` or `write` statement automatically concludes with a carriage return/line feed. This can be prevented with an `advance="no"` specifier; e.g.

```
write( *, "( a )", advance="NO" ) "Enter a number: "  
read( *, * ) i
```

Note that a format specifier (here, just `"(a)"` for any number of characters) must be used for non-advancing i/o, even for a simple output string. The following statement won't work:

```
write( *, *, advance="no" ) "Enter a number: "
```

Assuming `ch` has been declared as a character of length 1 then one character at a time can be read from a text file attached to unit 10 by:

```
read( 10, "( a1 )", iostat=io, advance="no" ) ch
```

By testing the state of variable `io` after the end of each `read` (it will be 0 if the `read` is successful, non-zero otherwise), we can determine when we have reached the end of file.

10.7 Internal Files – Characters

Input and output can be redirected to character variables rather than input files. (The usage is very close to the use of a `stringstream` in C++.) This can be very useful for a number of applications, including:

- assembling format strings when their form isn't known until run-time;
- creating text snippets to use in graphical output;
- hard-coding input and output for testing or demonstration, to avoid the need for input files (e.g. for online compilers).

```
program example  
  implicit none  
  integer i, n  
  character(len=100) input  
  real, allocatable :: x(:)  
  
  input = "5   2.3  1.8  0.9  0.1  -2.4"      ! Input data  
  read( input, * ) n                          ! Number of points  
  allocate( x(n) )  
  read( input, * ) n, ( x(i), i = 1, n )      ! Reread number, then all data  
  write( *, "( a, *( 1x, f6.2 ) )" ) "Data is ", x  
  
end program example
```

```
Data is      2.30    1.80    0.90    0.10   -2.40
```

11. MODULES

See Sample Programs D

Modules are the fourth type of program unit (after *main programs*, *subroutines* and *functions*). They were new in Fortran 90 and typify modern programming practice. Modules will be used much more in the Advanced course.

A module has the form:

```
module module-name
  type declarations
  [contains
    internal subprograms]
end module [module-name]
```

The main uses of a module are:

- to allow sharing of variables between multiple program units;
- to collect together related internal subprograms (functions or subroutines);
- to provide explicit interfaces to user-defined types, advanced procedures etc.;
- to define a class in object-oriented programming.

Other program units have access to these module variables and internal subprograms via the statement

`use modulename`

which should be placed at the start of the program unit (before any `implicit none` or type statements).

Modules make redundant older elements of Fortran such as `common` blocks (used to share variables), statement functions (one-line internal functions) and the (never-actually-standardised) `include` statement.

By having a single place to collect shared variables, they avoid long argument lists and the need to modify code in many separate places if the variables to be shared change. Thus, they make it much easier to upgrade or modify complex code.

11.1 Sharing Variables

Variables are passed between one program unit and another via argument lists. For example a program may call a subroutine `polars` by

```
call subroutine polars( x, y, r, theta )
```

The program passes `x` and `y` to the subroutine and receives `r` and `theta` in return. Any other variables declared in one program unit are completely unknown to the other, even if they have the same name. Other routines may also call `polars` in the same way.

Communication by argument list alone is OK provided the argument list is (a) short; and (b) unlikely to change with code development. Problems arise if:

- a large number of variables need to be shared between program units; (the argument list becomes long and unwieldy);
- code is under active development; (the variables being shared may need to be changed, and will have to be changed consistently in every program unit making that subroutine call).

Modules solve these problems by maintaining a central collection of variables which can be modified when required. Any changes need only be made in the module. A `use` statement makes this available to each subprogram that needs it.

11.2 Internal Functions

Subroutines and functions can be *external* or can be *internal* to bigger program units. Internal subprograms are accessible only to the program unit in which they are defined (which is a bit selfish!) and are only of use for short, simple functions specific to that program unit. The best vehicle for an internal function is a module, because its internal functions or subroutines are accessible to all the subprograms that `use` that module.

The following (somewhat trite) example illustrates how program `cone` uses a routine from module `geom` to find the volume of a cone. Note the `use` statement in the main program and the structure of the module. The arrangement is convenient because if we later decide to add a new global variable or geometry-related function (say, a function `volume_cylinder`) it is easy to do so within the module.

```

module Geom
! Functions to compute areas and volumes
  implicit none

  ! Shared variables
  real, parameter :: PI = 3.14159

contains
  ! Internal subprograms

  real function area_circle( r )
    real r
    area_circle = PI * r ** 2
  end function area_circle

  real function area_triangle( b, h )
    real b, h
    area_triangle = 0.5 * b * h
  end function area_triangle

  real function area_rectangle( w, l )
    real w, l
    area_rectangle = w * l
  end function area_rectangle

  real function volume_sphere( r )
    real r
    volume_sphere = ( 4.0 / 3.0 ) * PI * r ** 3
  end function volume_sphere

  real function volume_cuboid( w, l, h )
    real w, l, h
    volume_cuboid = w * l * h
  end function volume_cuboid

  real function volume_cone( r, h )
    real r, h
    volume_cone = PI * r ** 2 * h / 3.0
  end function volume_cone

end module Geom

```

```

program cone
  use Geom                ! Declare use of module
  implicit none
  real radius, height

  print *, "Input radius and height"
  read *, radius, height

  print *, "Volume: ", volume_cone( radius, height )

end program cone

```

Note that the internal functions of the module (as well as any program units using the module) automatically have access to any module variables above the `contains` statement (here, just `PI`).

11.3 Compiling Programs With Modules

The module may be in the same source file as other program units or it may be in a different file. To enable the compiler to operate correctly, however, the module must be compiled before any program units that use it. Hence,

- if it is in a different file then the module file should be compiled first;
- if it is in the same file then the module should come before any program units that use it.

Compilation results in a special file with the same root name but the filename extension `.mod`, and, if there are internal subprograms, an accompanying object code file (filetype `.o` with the NAG compiler).

Assuming that the program is in file `cone.f90` and the module in file `geom.f90`, compilation and linking commands for the

above example (with the NAG compiler) could be

```
nagfor -c geom.f90
nagfor -c cone.f90
nagfor cone.o geom.o
```

Done this way there are separate compile and link stages. ‘-c’ means “compile only” and forces creation of an intermediate object file with filetype `.o`. The third command invokes the linker and creates an executable file with the default name `a.exe`.

Alternatively, you may combine these commands and name the executable as `cone.exe` by:

```
nagfor -o cone.exe geom.f90 cone.f90
```

If running from the command window then, rather than typing them repeatedly, sequences of commands like these can conveniently be put in a batch file (which has a filetype `.bat`).

APPENDICES

A1. Order of Statements in a Program Unit

If a program unit contains no internal subprograms then the structure of a program unit is as follows.

program, function, subroutine or module statement	
use statements	
format statements	implicit none statement
	<i>Specification statements</i>
	type declarations and attributes interfaces data statements interfaces
	<i>Executable statements</i>
end statement	

Where internal subprograms are to be used, a more general form would look like:

program, function, subroutine or module statement	
use statements	
format statements	implicit none statement
	<i>Specification statements</i>
	type declarations and attributes interfaces data statements interfaces
	<i>Executable statements</i>
contains	
internal subprograms – each of form similar to the above	
end statement	

A2. Fortran Statements

The following list is of the more common statements and is not exhaustive. A more complete list may be found in the recommended textbooks. To dissuade you from using them, the table does not include elements of earlier versions of Fortran – e.g. common blocks, double precision type, equivalence statements, include statements, continue and (the truly awful!) goto – whose functionality has been replaced by better elements.

allocate	Allocates dynamic storage.
associate	Form alias for a variable or expression
backspace	Positions a file before the preceding record.
call	Invokes a subroutine.
case	Allows a selection of options.
character	Declares character data type.
class	Declares a polymorphic entity
close	Disconnects a file from a unit.
complex	Declares complex data type.
contains	Indicates presence of internal subprograms.
cycle	Go immediately to next pass of a loop
data	Used to initialise variables at compile time.
deallocate	Releases dynamic storage.
dimension	Specifies the size of an array.
do	Start of a repeat block.
do while	Start of a block to be repeated while some condition is true.
else,else if,else where	Conditional transfer of control.
end <i>program unit</i>	Final statement in a program unit
end <i>construct</i>	End of relevant construct (do, if, case, where, type, etc.)
exit	Allows exit from within a do construct.
external	Specifies that a name is that of an external procedure.
format	Specifies format for input or output.
function	Names a function subprogram.
if	Conditional transfer of control.
implicit none	Suspends implicit typing (by first letter).
import	Import variables from host scope.
inquire	Inquiries about input/output settings.
integer	Declares integer type.
interface	Interface defining procedure prototypes, operators, generic names etc.
intrinsic	Specifies that a name is that of an intrinsic procedure.
logical	Declares logical type.
module	Names a module.
namelist	Declares groups of variables (mainly for input/output)
open	Connects a file to an input/output unit.
nullify	Put a pointer in a disassociated state.
print	Send output to the standard output device.
procedure	Declares features of a procedure (subroutine or function)
program	Names a program.
read	Transfer data from input device.
real	Declares real type.
return	Returns control from a subprogram before hitting the END statement.
rewind	Repositions a sequential input file at its first record.
save	Save values of variables between invocations of a procedure.
select	Transfer of control depending on the value of some expression.
stop	Stops a program before reaching the end statement.
subroutine	Names a subroutine.
type	Defines a derived type.
use	Enables access to entities in a module.
where	if-like construct for array elements.
write	Sends output to a specified unit.

A3. Type Declarations

Type statements:

```
integer
real
complex
logical
character
type( typename ) (user-defined, derived types)
```

The following attributes may be specified.

```
allocatable
asynchronous
deferred
dimension
elemental
external
intent
intrinsic
optional
parameter
pass, nopass
pointer
private
protected
public
pure, impure
recursive
save
target
volatile
```

Variables may also have a kind, which will affect the numerical precision with which they are stored.

A4. Intrinsic Routines

A comprehensive list can be found in the recommended textbooks or in the compiler's help files.

Mathematical Functions

(Arguments *x*, *y* etc. can be real or complex, scalar or array unless specified otherwise)

```
cos( x ), sin( x ), tan( x ) – trigonometric functions (arguments are in radians)
acos( x ), asin( x ), atan( x ) – inverse trigonometric functions
atan2( y, x ) – inverse tangent of y/x in the range  $-\pi$  to  $\pi$  (real arguments)
cosh( x ), sinh( x ), tanh( x ) – hyperbolic functions
acosh( x ), asinh( x ), atanh( x ) – inverse hyperbolic functions (only from F2008)
exp( x ), log( x ), log10( x ) – exponential, natural log, base-10 log functions
sqrt( x ) – square root
abs( x ) – absolute value (integer, real or complex)
max( x1, x2, ... ), min( x1, x2, ... ) – maximum and minimum (integer or real)
modulo( x, y ) – x modulo y (integer or real) – i.e. pure mathematical idea of modulus
mod( x, y ) – remainder when x is divided by y – i.e. truncates toward zero
sign( x, y ) – absolute value of x with sign of y (integer or real)
```

(A number of other special functions are available; e.g. Bessel functions, gamma function, error function)

Type Conversions

```
int( x ) – converts real to integer type, truncating towards zero
nint( x ) – nearest integer
ceiling( x ), floor( x ) – nearest integer greater than or equal, less than or equal
real( x ) – convert to real
cmplx( x ) or cmplx( x, y ) – real to complex
conjg( z ) – complex conjugate (complex z)
aimag( z ) – imaginary part (complex z)
sign( x, y ) – absolute value of x times sign of y
```

Character-Handling Routines

`char(i)` – character in position *i* of the system collating sequence;
`ichar(c)` – position of character *c* in the system collating sequence.
`achar(i)` – character in position *i* of the ASCII collating sequence;
`iachar(c)` – position of character *c* in the ASCII collating sequence.

`llt(stringA, stringB), lle(stringA, stringB),`
`lgt(stringA, stringB), lge(stringA, stringB)`
– lexical comparison according to ASCII collating sequence.

`len(string)` – declared length of string, even if it contains trailing blanks;
`trim(string)` – same as string but without any trailing blanks;
`len_trim(string)` – length of string with any trailing blanks removed;
`repeat(string, ncopies)` – multiple copies of string.

`adjustl(string)` – left-justified string
`adjustr(string)` – right-justified string

`index(string, substring)` – position of first occurrence of substring in string
`scan(string, set)` – position of first occurrence of *any* character from set in string
`verify(string, set)` – position of first character in string that is *not* in set

Array Functions

`dot_product(vector_A, vector_B)` – scalar product (integer or real)
`matmul(matrix_A, matrix_B)` – matrix multiplication (integer or real)
`transpose(matrix)` – transpose of a matrix
`maxval(array), minval(array)` – maximum and minimum values (integer or real)
`product(array)` – product of values (integer, real or complex)
`sum(array)` – sum of values (integer, real or complex)
`norm2(array)` – Euclidean norm
`count(array logical expr)` – number satisfying condition
`all(array logical expr), any(array logical expr)` – all or any satisfying condition?

`lbound(array)` – lower bound in each dimension.
`lbound(array, i)` – lower bound in the *i*th dimension.
`shape(array)` – extents in each direction
`size(array)` – complete size of the array (product of its extents)
`size(array, i)` – extent in the *i*th dimension.
`ubound(array)` – upper bound in each dimension.
`ubound(array, i)` – upper bound in the *i*th dimension.

Bit Operations

`bit_size(i)` – number of bits in integer *i*
`btest(i, pos)` – test if bit in position *pos* is set
`ibclr(i, pos), ibset(i, pos)` – clears or sets bit in position *pos*
`iand(i, j), ior(i, j), ieor(i, j)` – bitwise *and, or, exclusive or*
`not(i)` – bitwise *not*
`ishft(i, shift)` – bitwise left-shift (or right-shift if *shift* is negative)
`ishftc(i, shift)` – bitwise circular left-shift (or right-shift if *shift* is negative)
`ishftl(i, shift), ishft(i, shift)` – bitwise left-shift, right-shift
`ble(i, j), blt(i, j), bge(i, j), bgt(i, j)` – bitwise comparisons
`popcnt(i)` – number of non-zero bits in *i*

Inquiry Functions

`allocated(array)`
`associated(pointer)`
`present(argument)`

Time

```
call date_and_time( [date] [,time] [,zone] [,values] )
call system_clock( [count] [,count_rate] [,count_max] )
call cpu_time( time )
```

Random Numbers

```
call random_number( x ) - x is scalar or array; output is random in [0,1)
call random_seed( [size] [put] [get] )
```

Invocation

```
command_argument_count()
call get_command( [command] [,length] [status] )
call get_command_argument( number [,value] [length] [,status]
```

Operating System

```
call execute_command_line( command [,wait] [,exitstat] [,cmdstat] )
call get_environment_variable( name [,value] [length] [,status] [,trim_name] )
```

A5. Operators

Numeric Intrinsic Operators

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Precedence (1 is highest)</i>
**	Exponentiation	1
*	Multiplication	2
/	Division	2
+	Addition or unary plus	3
-	Subtraction or unary minus	3

Relational Operators

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Operation</i>
< or .lt.	less than
<= or .le.	less than or equal
== or .eq.	equal
/= or .ne.	not equal
> or .gt.	greater than
>= or .ge.	greater than or equal

Logical Operators

<i>Operator</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>Precedence (1 is highest)</i>
.not.	logical negation	1
.and.	logical intersection	2
.or.	logical union	3
.eqv.	logical equivalence	4
.neqv.	logical non-equivalence	4

Character Operators

// concatenation

In the Advanced course it is shown how the user can define their own types and operators.