Derived Types and Modules in Fortran

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Types



Structures: type

- Fortran has structures too.
- Structures are a derived type: you can create variables of that type, but it's not a built-in type.
- Fortran derived types are declared in a type definition;
- the type keyword is also used for making structure variables.



Type declaration

Type name / End Type block.

Component declarations inside the block:

```
type mytype
  integer :: number
  character :: name
  real(4) :: value
end type mytype
```



Creating a type structure

Declare a type object in the main program:

```
Type(mytype) :: object1,object2
Initialize with type name:
object1 = mytype( 1, 'my_name', 3.7 )
Copying:
object2 = object1
```



Member access

Access structure members with %

```
Type(mytype) :: typed_object
typed_object%member = ....
```



Example

```
type point
   real :: x,y
end type point
```

```
type(point) :: p1,p2
p1 = point(2.5, 3.7)

p2 = p1
print *,p2%x,p2%y
```

Type definitions can go in the main program (or use a module; see later)



Structures as procedure argument

Structures can be passed as procedure argument, just like any other datatype. This example:

- Takes a structure of type(point) as argument; and
- returns a real(4) result.
- The structure is declared as intent(in).

```
Function with structure argument:
```

Function call

```
print *,"Length:",length(p2)
```



Exercise 1

Write a program that has the following:

- A type Point that contains real numbers x,y;
- a type Rectangle that contains two Points, corresponding to the lower left and upper right point;
- a function area that has one argument: a Rectangle.

Your program should

- Accept two real numbers on one line, for the bottom left point;
- similarly, again on one line, the coordinates of the top right point; then
- print out the area of the (axi-parallel) rectangle defined by these two points.



Modules



Module definition

Modules look like a program, but without executable code:

```
Module definitions
  type point
    real :: x,y
  end type point
  real(8),parameter :: pi = 3.14159265359
contains
  real(4) function length(p)
    implicit none
    type(point),intent(in) :: p
    length = sqrt( p%x**2 + p%y**2 )
  end function length
end Module definitions
```

Note also the numeric constant.



Module use

Module imported through use statement; comes before implicit none

Code:

```
Program size
  use definitions
  implicit none

  type(point) :: p1,p2
  p1 = point(2.5, 3.7)

  p2 = p1
  print *,p2%x,p2%y
  print *,"length:",length(p2)
  print *,2*pi
```

Output [structf] typemod:

```
2.50000000 3.70000005
length: 4.46542263
6.2831854820251465
```



end Program size

Module use

```
Program ModProgram
  use FunctionsAndValues
  implicit none
 print *,"Pi is:",pi
  call SayHi()
End Program ModProgram
Also possible:
Use mymodule, Only: func1, func2
Use mymodule, func1 => new_name1
```



Exercise 2

Take exercise 1 and put all type definitions and all functions in a module.



Turn it in!

- If you have compiled your program, do: coe_areaf yourprogram.F90
 where 'yourprogram.F90' stands for the name of your source file.
- Is it reporting that your program is correct? If so, do: coe_areaf -s yourprogram.F90 where the -s flag stands for 'submit'.
- If you don't manage to get your code working correctly, you can submit as incomplete with coe_areaf -i yourprogram.F90
- Use the -d debug flag for more information.

For bonus points, use a module.



Separate compilation of modules

Suppose program is split over two files: theprogram.F90 and themodule.F90.

- Compile the module: ifort -c themodule.F90; this gives
- an object file (extension: .o) that will be linked later, and
- a module file modulename.mod.
- Compile the main program:
 ifort -c theprogram.F90 will read the .mod file; and
 finally
- Link the object files into an executable:
 ifort -o myprogram theprogram.o themodule.o
 The compiler is used as linker: there is no compiling in this step.

Important: the module needs to be compiled before any (sub)program that uses it.

