

- (3) Be unambiguous. Add parentheses and alter too-similar identifiers to avoid any possibility of misunderstanding.
- (4) Don't build *all* of your own tools: use standard library functions like **ABS** and **AMIN1**. If no function exists, write your own as a separate function, and add it to your library. Be sufficiently general that your routine can be used in future applications and by other people.
- (5) Make sure conditional tests read clearly. Try speaking them aloud; rearrange unwieldy tests.