

AHA! Modelling Tools Manual

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Abstract

This document describes the modelling tools and approaches used for the new individual-based and agent-based model environment (framework). First, it documents the modelling **modules** that are developed to make coding such models simpler. Second, it outlines the general coding style and an approach based on **object-oriented** programming.

Modern **Fortran** can be considered as an almost ideal language for agent-based modelling. It is high-level (e.g. it allows to work with whole arrays and slices) and partly object-oriented. It also contains many similar constructions with Python, so the later can be used for rapid prototyping. Nonetheless, it is compiled and strictly typed which makes coding big and complex projects safer. Compilers are easily available, including free GNU gfortran. Recent compilers generate highly efficient and extremely fast machine code. Modern Fortran includes some built-in parallel calculation instructions, and libraries and tools for high performance parallel computations are readily available. As such, Fortran is one of the favourite languages for computation-intensive works.

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1 Software tools and requirements

Most tools needed for the model are already available on Linux (e.g. gfortran, make, Subversion, console, midnight commander etc) and are trivial to install using the standard package manager (e.g. `apt-get install gfortran` on Ubuntu). On Windows they can be installed manually from their official web sites. On Mac use [homebrew](#) to install many of the utils. Below are some details on the Windows software.

Fortran Compiler (Mandatory)

Intel Fortran compiler, a commercial software available at UiB. Intel Fortran is also installed on the UiB HPC cluster [fimm](#). Free **GNU Fortran** distribution along with make and other tools is available from the Equation solution <http://www.equation.com/-servlet/equation.cmd?fa=fortran>. There is also **Oracle Solaris Studio** combining Fortran compiler and an NetBeans-based IDE, freely available from <http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/server-storage/solarisstudio>, Linux and Solaris OSs only (no Windows or Mac).

GNU Make (Mandatory)

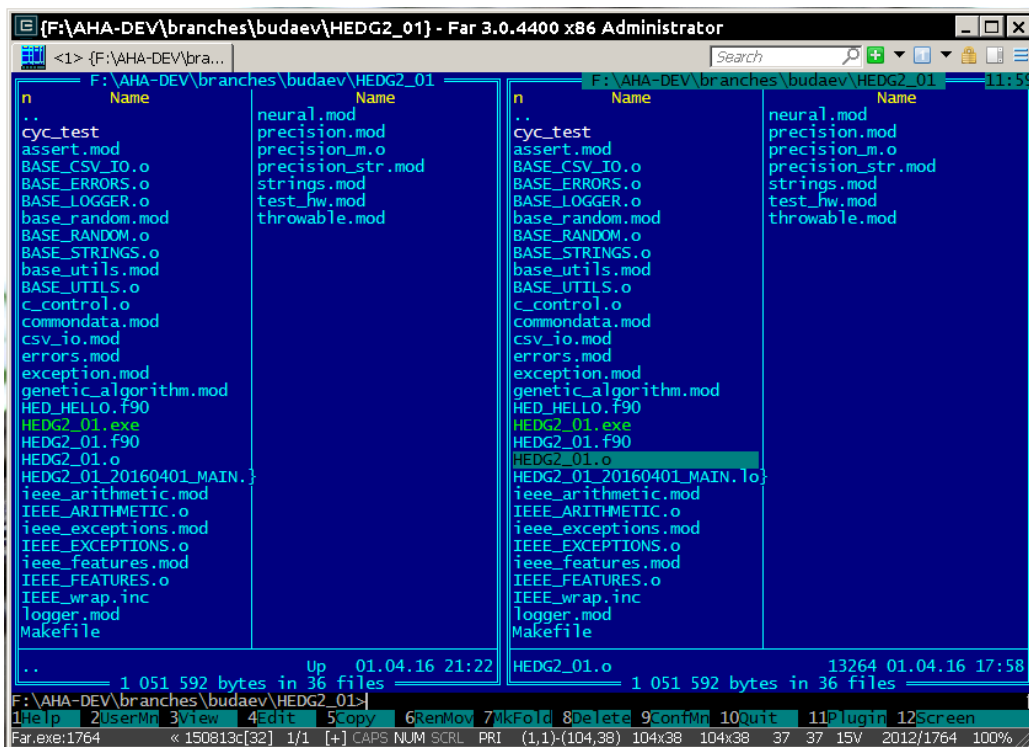
This is an automated program build system that keeps track of changes in different components of the source code and generates header files automatically depending on the platform and compiler used. It is possible to work without it, but in such a case everything should be tweaked manually. GNU make is trivial to install on Linux. For Windows, it goes bundled with the Equation solution [GNU Fortran](#). The official site with the code, manuals etc is here: <https://www.gnu.org/software/make/>

Subversion (Mandatory)

Windows GUI for Subversion is **TortoiseSVN** (supported by UiB IT): <https://tortoisesvn.net/>. It is very helpful to have also console subversion client software (Tortoise includes console tools but does not install by default). A good one is **SilkSVN** <https://sliksvn.com/download/>.

Console terminal (Highly recommended)

The Windows console (cmd) is extremely weak. **Conemu** <https://conemu.github.io/> is a much better alternative, especially with the **Far manager**, a two-panel console file manager similar to the ancient Norton commander for DOS (or Midnight commander on Linux): <http://www.farmanager.com/download.php?l=en>.



It is also very helpful to have (on the Microsoft Windows) the [GNU core utilities](#) (grep, cut, sed, awk etc.). Some of them are used in the GNU make build system, and some are included with the Equation solutions gfortran (**TODO: have to check what is really necessary**). There are several distributions available, e.g. [GnuWin32](#), [Cygwin](#), [MinGW](#), [UnxUtils](#), [Gow](#), [winbash](#).

Doxygen: Automatically generate program documentation (Highly Recommended)

This is a tool for writing software reference documentation. The documentation is written within code using special markup and can include formatting, formulas, tables, graphics etc. Doxygen can cross reference documentation and code, so that the user/reader of a document can easily refer to the actual code. It is trivial to install on Linux, but probably not so on Windows. Using the full power of the tool is not trivial though. Available from <http://doxygen.org/>. On Windows is is also highly desirable to have a LaTeX distribution, such as MikTeX (<http://miktex.org>) and Ghostscript (<http://www.ghostscript.com>), both are free software. LaTeX and Ghostscript are required to generate PDF.

Geany (Recommended)

Lightweight IDE, Editor for code and any text files (including [AsciiDoc](#)). Works on Linux, Windows and Mac. <http://www.geany.org/>- Also need plugins: <http://plugins.geany.org/> (The Geany SVN plugin for Windows *requires* command line tools like [SilkSvn](#) to work.)

Code::Blocks for Fortran (Recommended)

IDE for Fortran. Works with many compilers, including Intel and GNU gfortran. <http://cbfortran.sourceforge.net/>. Installation by unpacking into some directory.

Follow: A logfile reading program (Recommended)

Following a logfile while executing a program is done trivially on Linux: `tail -f some_log_file.txt`. There is a Java GUI program for reading log files that works on all major platforms installs by just placing in some directory: Follow. Available from <http://sourceforge.net/projects/follow/>.

2 Coding style: General guidelines and tips

**Important**

A very helpful collection of advises and tips for efficient programming in Fortran can be found here: [Fortran Best Practices](#)

Work at high level, use these tools, use objects, isolate as much as possible into subroutines

In this way of coding, it becomes more clear what each part of the program is really doing and it is also easier to modify components of the program so that they don't affect other irrelevant components.

```

GENERATIONS_LOOP: do while &
    (realgen <= GENERATIONS .and. &
     parents(1)%fitness > 0)

    call sort_by_fitness()

    call selection()

    call mate_reproduce()

    call offspring_fitness()

    call generations_swap()

    realgen = realgen +1
end do GENERATIONS_LOOP

```

Use meaningful labels

Using labels to mark `do..end do`, `if..end if`, `forall` and other similar constructs may greatly improve the readability of the code and make it more easy to understand, especially if there are many nested loops `if..then..end if` constructs. No need to label all such things (this will just increase clutter), but those that are really important or very big must be. A couple of examples are below:


```

GENERATIONS_LOOP: do while &
    (realgen <= GENERATIONS .and. &
     parents(1)%fitness > 0)
.....
    realgen = realgen +1
end do GENERATIONS_LOOP

```

```

SELECT_DEVIANT_CLASS: if (dev == 2) then
.....
else if (dev == 3) then SELECT_DEVIANT_CLASS
.....
else if (dev == 4) then SELECT_DEVIANT_CLASS
.....
end if SELECT_DEVIANT_CLASS

```

Use whole-array operations and array slices instead of loops, as well as built-in parallel instructions (`where`, `forall` etc.): it is faster

Fortran 95, 2003 and 2008 has several looping/array assignment constructions that have been optimised for speed in multi-processor parallel environments. Never use loops to initialise arrays, and avoid using them to calculate array components. Whenever possible, *reverse the order of indices* in nested loops, e.g. first looping should be over the columns, and then over the rows. Nested loops may have huge speed overhead! Use `FORALL`, `WHERE` and similar new "parallelized" Fortran constructions. Below is a little test conducted on an average amd64 system using GNU Fortran (`-O3 -funroll-loops -fforce-addr`, timing is by Linux `time`).

Test 1: Multiple nested loops, execution time = 0m12.488s

```

use BASE_UTILS
use BASE_RANDOM
implicit none
integer, parameter :: n=1000, a=100,b=100,c=100
integer :: nn, i,j,k
real :: random_r
real, dimension(a,b,c) :: M    ! The above header part is the same in all tests

call random_seed_init

MATRLOOP: do nn=1,n
    random_r = rand_r4()
    do i=1,a
        do j=1,b
            do k=1,c
                M(i,j,k) = random_r
            end do
        end do
    end do
end do MATRLOOP

```

! Multiple nested loops

Test 2: Direct array assignment, execution time = 0m1.046s

```

! header the same as above...
call random_seed_init

MATRLOOP: do nn=1,n
    random_r = rand_r4()
    M=random_r
end do MATRLOOP

```

! Direct array assignment

Test 3: forall instruction, execution time = 0m1.042s

```
! header the same as above...
call random_seed_init

MATRLOOP: do nn=1,n
  random_r = rand_r4()
  forall (i=1:a, j=1:b, k=1:c) M(i,j,k) = random_r ! Parallel instruction
end do MATRLOOP
```

Test 4: Reverse order of nested loops (cols then rows), execution time = 0m1.046s

```
! header the same as above...
call random_seed_init

MATRLOOP: do nn=1,n
  random_r = RAND_R4()
  do i=1,a
    do j=1,b
      do k=1,c
        M(k,j,i) = random_r ! Order of looping is reversed
      end do
    end do
  end do
end do MATRLOOP
```

Multiple nested loops with the most "natural and intuitive" indices order (rows then cols) had a *really huge* execution speed overhead¹, more than *ten times* slower than the other methods (compare 12.5s and 1.0s!). The code is also more concise and easier to read. The same tests with Oracle Solaris Fortran (f95) turning on aggressive optimization and automatic loop parallelization (`-fast -autopar -depend=yes`) run much faster, but the speed differences still remained quite impressive (first test execution time = 0m0.010s, all other = 0m0.006s). So compiler-side aggressive CPU optimisation does work, although the tricks remain very useful.

Note that newer versions of Fortran compilers can become smart enough to adjust the order of looping in the machine code. Nonetheless it is better to write "optimised" code using the above tricks that works fast just everywhere.

3 Document code as you write it with Doxygen

Doxygen is a very useful tool which allows to extract and produce documentation from the source code in a highly structured manner. Prior to parsing the code to get the documentation, one has to provide a configuration file for Doxygen. The `doxywizard` generates a wizard-like GUI to make this configuration file easily. There are many formatting symbols, Markdown codes are supported. Thus, it is easy to document the code extensively as it is being written.

Comments that are parsed through Doxygen are inserted into the source code using special markup language. The basic usage is quite simple. You should start comment line with "`!>`" rather than just "`!`", continuing Doxygen comments is done with two exclamation marks: "`!!`". Only comments formatted with this style are processed with Doxygen, you are free to insert "usual" comments, they are just ignored by the documentation generator.

The documentation description for a particular unit of the program, e.g. module, subroutine, function or variable definition, should normally go *before* this unit. Here is an example:

```
!-----
!> @brief   Module **COMMONDATA** is used for definine various global
!!          parameters like model name, tags, population size etc.
!! @details Everything that has global scope and should be passed to many
!!          subroutines/functions, should be defined in 'COMMONDATA'.
!!          It is also safe to include public keyword to declarations.
!!          'COMMONDATA' may also include subroutines/functions that have
```

¹ This is because allocation of arrays in the computer memory goes in an "index-reverse" order in Fortran, see <http://www.fortran90.org/src/best-practices.html#multidimensional-arrays>

```
!!          general scope and used by many other modules of the model.
module COMMONDATA
.....
!> MODNAME always refers to the name of the current module for use by
!! the LOGGER function LOG_DBG. Note that in the debug mode (if IS_DEBUG=TRUE)
!! LOGGER should normally produce additional messages that are helpful for
!! debugging and locating possible sources of errors.
!! Each procedure should also have a similar private constant PROCNAME.
character (len=*), parameter, private :: MODNAME = "COMMONDATA"

!> This is the target string, only for the prototype test
character(len=*), parameter, public :: GA_TARGET = "This is a test of genetic algorithm."

!> Model name for tags, file names etc. Must be very short.
character (len=*), parameter, public :: MODEL_NAME = "HEDG2_01"
```

There are various options and keywords. A few of them should be particularly useful in documenting the model(s) codes:

@param describes a function or subroutine parameter, may optionally include [in] (or out or in,out) specifier. An example is below

```
subroutine LOG_DBG(message_string, procname, modname)
  implicit none
  ! Calling parameters:
  !> @param[in] message_string String text for the log message
  character (len=*), intent(in) :: message_string
  !> @param[in] procname Optional procedure name for debug messages
  character (len=*), optional, intent(in) :: procname
```

@returns describes a function return value. @retval is almost the same but starts with the function return value.

```
function TAG_MMDD() result (MMDD)
  implicit none
  !> @retval MMDD Returns an 8-character string for YYYYMMDD
  character(8) MMDD
```

@brief starts a paragraph that serves as a brief description. @details starts the detailed description.

```
!-----
!> @brief LOG_DBG - debug message to the log
!! @details **PURPOSE:** This subroutine is a wrapper for writing debug
!!          messages by the module 'LOGGER'. The debug message message
!!          defined by the 'message_string' parameter is issued only
!!          when the model runs in the debug mode, i.e. if 'IS_DEBUG=.TRUE.'
subroutine LOG_DBG(message_string, procname, modname)

  implicit none
```

@note insert a note with special emphasis in the doc text. @par start a new paragraph optionally with a title in parentheses. In the example above note also the use of **Markdown** formatting, such as double asterisks (*) for strong emphasis (bold) and reverse quote (`) for inline code (variable names etc.).

Doxygen parses the source code and produces highly structured documentation in different formats (e.g. html, rtf, latex, pdf etc.).

There are different options to generate HTML documents. For example, a bundle of HTML files with images, cross-references, code syntax highlighting and search functionality can be prepared. Alternatively, a single simpler HTML file can be done. LaTeX output can be converted to PDF with references and index.

Examples of HTML and PDF outputs are below.

HEDG2 PROTO
Autogenerated model docs for HEDG2

Main Page | **Data Types List** | Files

Data Types List | Data Types | Class Hierarchy | Data Fields

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- ▼ Data Types List
 - ▼ Data Types List
 - ▼ commondata
 - log_dbg**
 - logger_init
 - tag_mmdd
 - f_exten
 - ga_mutationrate
 - ga_reproduce_n
 - ga_reproduce_pr
 - ga_target
 - generations
 - is_debug
 - mmdd
 - model_descr
 - model_name
 - popsize
 - genetic_algorithm
 - the_environment
 - the_genome
 - the_individual
 - the_neurobio
 - the_population

Member Function/Subroutine Documentation

subroutine commondata::log_dbg (character (len=*), intent(in) **message_string**,
character (len=*), intent(in), optional **procname**,
character (len=*), intent(in), optional **modname**
)

LOG_DBG - debug message to the log.

PURPOSE: This subroutine is a wrapper for writing debug messages by the module `LOGGER`. The debug message message defined by the `message_string` parameter is issued only when the model runs in the debug mode, i.e. if `IS_DEBUG = .TRUE.`

Parameters

[in] message_string	String text for the log message
[in] procname	Optional procedure name for debug messages
[in] modname	Optional module name for debug messages

We first generate the message prefix = MODNAME PROCNAME if called with these parameters, so the location of the code in which the message has been issued is precisely known.

And then we issue the message to the log as usual.

Definition at line 106 of file [HEDG2_02.f90](#).

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4.1.2 Member Function/Subroutine Documentation

4.1.2.1 subroutine commondata::log_dbg (character (len=*), intent(in) *message_string*, character (len=*), intent(in), optional *procname*, character (len=*), intent(in), optional *modname*)

LOG_DBG - debug message to the log.

PURPOSE: This subroutine is a wrapper for writing debug messages by the module `LOGGER`. The debug message message defined by the `message_string` parameter is issued only when the model runs in the debug mode, i.e. if `IS_DEBUG = .TRUE.`

Parameters

in	<i>message_string</i>	String text for the log message
in	<i>procname</i>	Optional procedure name for debug messages
in	<i>modname</i>	Optional module name for debug messages

We first generate the message prefix = MODNAME PROCNAME if called with these parameters, so the location of the code in which the message has been issued is precisely known.

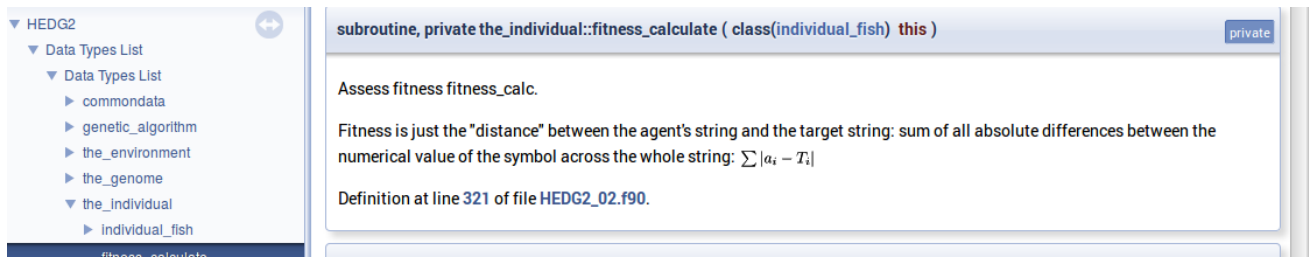
And then we issue the message to the log as usual.

Definition at line 111 of file [HEDG2_02.f90](#).

Here is an example of LaTeX formula in the autogenerated documentation file. Note that formulas are delimited with `@f$` on both sides.

```
> Fitness is just the "distance" between the agent's string and the target
!! string: sum of all absolute differences between the numerical value of
!! the symbol across the whole string: @f$ \sum |a_i - T_i| @f$
this%fitness = sum([(abs(iachar(this%str(i:i)) - iachar(GA_TARGET(i:i))), &
i = 1, len(GA_TARGET))])
```

This is rendered as follows:



Important

LaTeX, dvips and Ghostscript should be installed for the formula rendering to work correctly.

Documenting a complex model is very important! It is also not really difficult, but requires some additional discipline. It is much easier to include Doxygen comments as you write the model code than to look through the whole (huge) amount of the code a month later just to recall what the code is actually doing. Thus, the model becomes much more understandable to the level of its finest details. And Doxygen allows inclusion of various markup commands and styles, LaTeX formulas and graphics. Doxygen documentation, faq's and howtos are available here: <http://doxygen.org>

In the AHA GNU make system used to build the executables, documentation is generated using this simple command:

```
make docs
```

4 Version control: Subversion (SVN)

AHA Repository: <https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran>

4.1 Overview

Subversion (SVN) is a version control system used in the AHA project. Use version control not only for just managing versions, but also for organising your coding. For example, it would be good to commit changes to the server in pieces involving specific functions or parts of the model that are ready. Use the log messages to describe briefly what has been done. The examples below assume you use a terminal **console**, but most SVN commands can also be easily performed from a GUI tool.

For example, imagine you have implemented a new sigmoid function. Then, when it is ready, commit your change to the server with a log message like "New sigmoid function". And only after this go to the next piece of code. Then the versions you have will not be haphazard but organised into meaningful pieces. If you did several pieces in different files, e.g. sigmoid function in Hed18.f90 and a new Makefile for building the code, do two commits:

```
svn commit Hed18.f90 -m "New sigmoid function"
...
svn commit Makefile -m "Tweaked makefile, added PGI compiler build"
```

A typical SVN repository organisation usually includes a **trunk** directory for the main development line and many **branches** for different purposes created by different developers. For example, the current AHA repo has this structure:

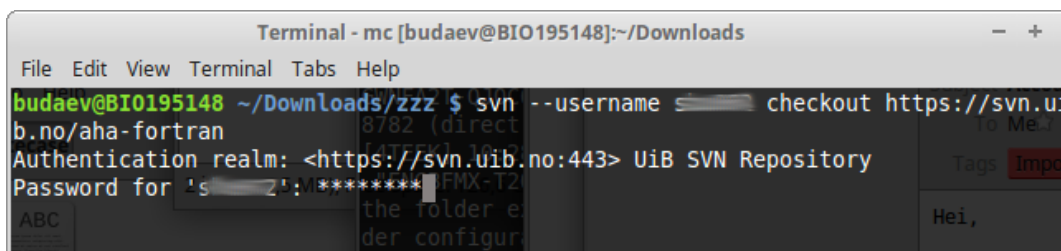
```
-- branches
|   |-- budaev
|   |-- judy
|   |-- ryan
|
|-- old_archived
|
'-- trunk
```

4.2 First time setup of the working copy

First time setup of the working copy of the model (working directory):

- For a new project (run/experiment etc.), get into the working directory where the model code will reside (`cd`) (possibly make a new directory `mkdir`), and **checkout**: get the model code (one branch, no need to get everything!) from the server with `svn checkout https://path_to_branch`. When a specific repository is used *for the first time*, you should also include the user name for this repository (`--username your_user_name`) and then the program asks for the password. SVN server name, username and password is then saved, so subsequently it is not necessary to state the username/password you connect to the same SVN server from the same workstation. For example, first time checkout (for user u01):

```
svn --username u01 checkout https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/branches/budaev/HED18
```



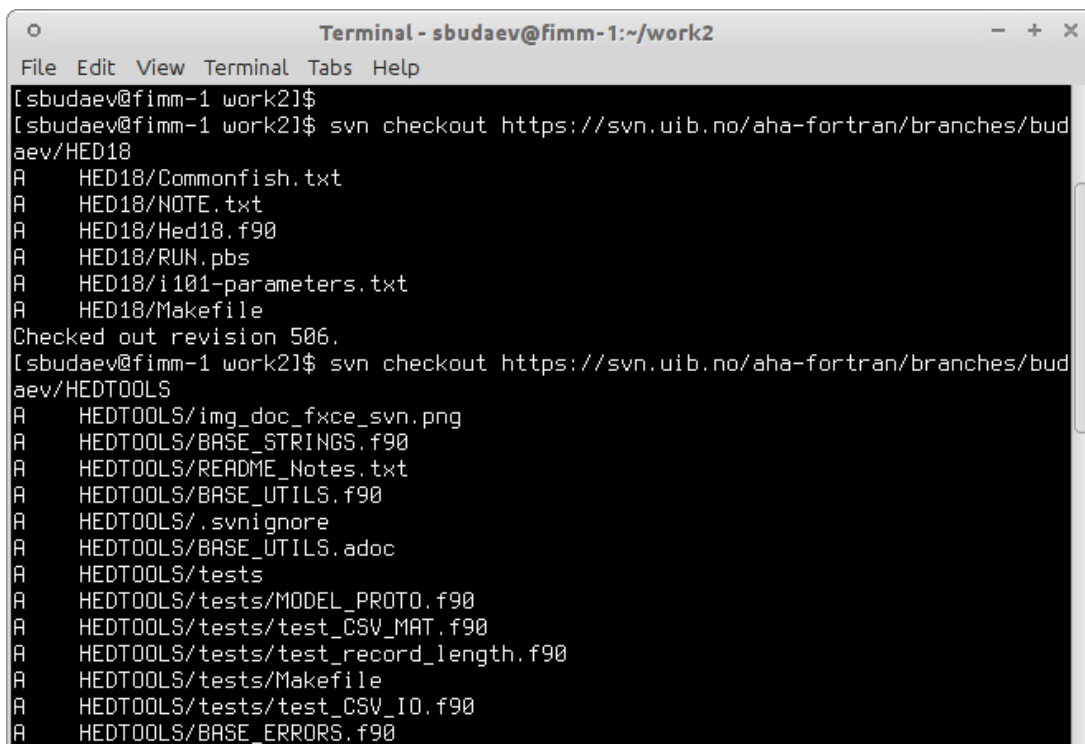
next, just this should work:

```
svn checkout https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/branches/budaev/HED18
```

This will get the HED18 into the directory HED18 within the current working directory. If we use HEDTOOLS, it should also be placed here:

```
svn checkout https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/branches/budaev/HED18
...
svn checkout https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/branches/budaev/HEDTOOLS
```

So, we now get HED18 and HEDTOOLS in our working directory.



4.3 Standard workflow

Now you can work within this directory. This is the standard workflow.

- **update** code from the server: `svn up`
- edit the code using any favoured tools, build, run model etc...
- **diff** (`svn diff`) to check what are the differences between the local file(s) or directory and those in the repository
- **commit** when ready (e.g. when a new piece of code has been implemented): `svn commit`

`commit` will ask you to provide a short descriptive log message. It will run the standard text editor for this by default (can be configured). But you can provide such a message just on the command line with the `-m` option:

```
svn commit Hed18.f90 -m "New sigmoid function"
```

Both `update` and `commit` can be done for the working directory as well as for specific file. E.g. to commit only the model code `Hed18.f90` do:

```
svn commit Hed18.f90
```

Both `update` and `commit` can be performed within any subdirectory of the working copy. In such cases they are limited to this subdirectory only.

4.4 Using branches

A **branch** in Subversion is just a directory on the SVN server. It can be thought of in the same way as common file system directory/folder. Creating a new folder is easy:

```
# Making a new directory for old code -- use the mkdir command
svn mkdir https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/old_archived
```

It is also easy to move or copy parts of the repository across the repository:

```
# Move a model branch to the archive folder -- use mv command
svn mv https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/trunk/model_20151013 \
    https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/old_archived/model_20151013
```

Do not forget to update the local working copy after deleting/moving/copying directories on the SVN server, then local copy will be in sync with the server.

4.4.1 Make a branch copying old code

The `copy` command is very useful to create a copy of some repository part to a separate **branch**. Then some new features or functions can be implemented in the branch and then reintegrated back to the parent project. Or an independent new model can be initialised in such a way.

Making a branch is easy, use `svn copy source_svn_path destination_svn_path` to do this. For example, the following command makes a copy of the whole sub-tree for the model code HED18 from user budaev private branch to the user natasha private branch. Now natasha can work on her own copy of the code and, when done, merge the changes back to budaev's code. Finally, budaev's (and natasha's) code can be reintegrated back to the **trunk** main line.

```
svn copy https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/branches/budaev/HED18 \
    https://svn.uib.no/aha-fortran/branches/natasha/HED18 \
    -m "Creating private branch."
```

If several people are simultaneously working on the project, it make sense to merge changes from the parent branch back to the current branch (e.g. from trunk to budaev and natasha). Thus does not allow the code to diverge too far and reduces the chances to get version conflicts. Merging ongoing changes from the parent project is easy. For example, the following will merge changes from trunk back to the current branch (note that `^` substitutes the SVN repository web address):

```
svn merge ^/trunk/HEDTOOLS/
```

4.4.2 Reintegrate your branch back to the trunk

Suppose you have a private branch/branches `.../branches/budaev/HEDTOOLS` where you work on the code. Now you are going to reintegrate your branch back to the trunk (the main development line: `.../trunk/HEDTOOLS`).

For this you need several simple steps:

Step 1. Merge possible changes in trunk back to the branch:

If someone is working on the trunk, you need to keep your branch in sync with it, e.g. all other files you are not working on are synchronised.

```
# First, make sure you are in the branch .../branches/budaev/HEDTOOLS
pwd

# Second, Do final check/update
svn status
svn update

# Merge possible changes from trunk to the (current) branch working copy
# --dry-run does everything but does not change any data, it is good to run it
# first to make sure everything is okay (e.g. you are really in the correct
# directory, there are no errors etc.):
svn merge ^/trunk/HEDTOOLS/ --dry-run
# For example, if the working copy is not up to date (need commit or revert),
# there may be issues like this:
# svn: E195016: Cannot merge into a working copy that has local modifications
# to check what is wrong (modified), the command: svn diff is helpful. Also,
# commit local changes before merging.
# When everything is in order, do the real merge:
svn merge ^/trunk/HEDTOOLS/

# if merge was used, commit changes back to the repository, even though the
# files are unchanged, tags and properties may have changes
svn commit -m "Will merge back to trunk now"
```

Obviously, this first step is not always necessary. In many cases you can be sure that no one did changes in the trunk (or the other directory to which merge is planned).

Step 2. Actually do the reintegrate changes from your branch back to the trunk. For this we need the code from the trunk.

```
# First, make sure you are in the trunk local working copy .../trunk/HEDTOOLS
# if necessary, checkout this directory somewhere just for this merge... but
# you need the code for the trunk.
pwd

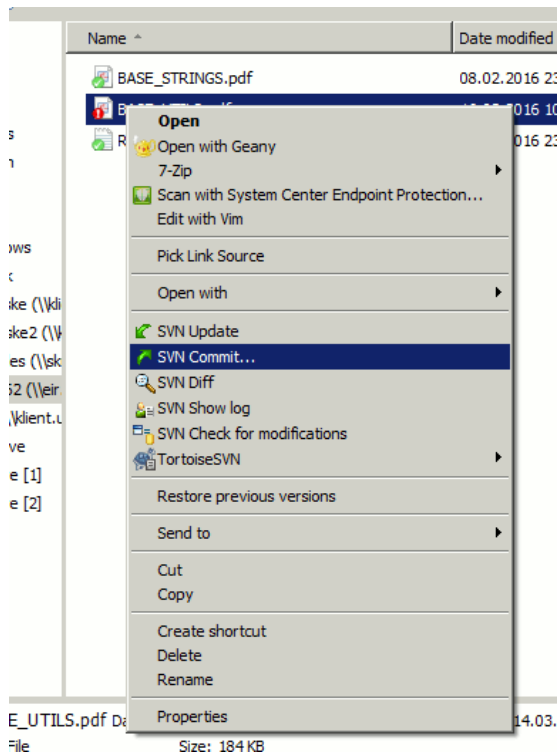
# Second, do final checks/updates
svn status
svn update

# Do the reintegration of changes from branch back to (current) trunk working copy
# it is first good to try with --dry-run to make sure everything is okay
svn merge --reintegrate ^/branches/budaev/HEDTOOLS --dry-run
# and finally do the real thing
svn merge --reintegrate ^/branches/budaev/HEDTOOLS

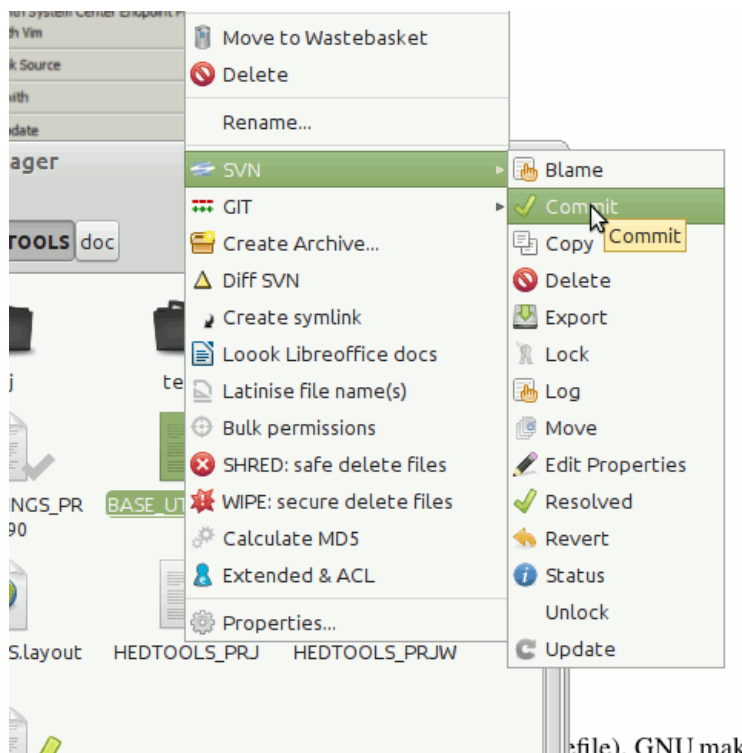
# Finally, commit these changes back to the SVN repository
svn commit -m "Merged my changes to trunk"
```

4.5 GUI Tools

Using the GUI tools like TortoiseSVN is similar. With GUI you should just select the appropriate item from the menu list.



Similar GUI tools exist for Linux. For example, there is `thunar-vcs-plugin` (Git and subversion integration into the Thunar file manager).



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5 Object-oriented programming and modelling

5.1 General principles

Modern Fortran (2003 and 2008 standards) allows coding in a true object-oriented style, although does not require it. Object oriented style allows to define user's abstractions that mimic real world objects, isolate extra complexity of the objects and create extensions of objects.

Object oriented programming is based on the following principles:

Abstraction: defining and abstracting common features of objects and functions.

Modularity and hiding irrelevant information: An object is written and treated separately from other objects. Details about internal functioning of the object are effectively hidden, what is important is the *interface* of the object, i.e. how it interacts with the external world. This reduces complexity.

Encapsulation: combining components of the object to create a new object.

Inheritance: components of objects (both data and functions) can be inherited across objects, e.g. properties the "genome" object inherited by a more general object "the individual."

Polymorphism: the provision of a single interface to objects of different types.

At the most basic level the programmer defines both the **data structure** (user's type) as well as the types of **operations** (subroutines and functions) that are linked with and are applied to the data structure.

Important



Object-oriented features of Fortran are described in recent Fortran books, e.g.: **Brainerd, W.S. (2009)**. *Guide to Fortran 2003 Programming*, Springer (Chapter 12). **Chapman, S.J. (2007)** *Fortran 95/2003 for Scientists and Engineers*, 3rd ed., McGraw-Hill (Chapter 16). **Chivers, I. & Sleightholme, J. (2012)** *Introduction to Programming with Fortran: With Coverage of Fortran 90, 95, 2003, 2008 and 77*, Springer (Chapter 26). Short introduction can also be found on the internet, e.g. **Leai, M.** *Object-oriented programming in Fortran 2003* (PGI: www.pgroup.com). **Part 1: Code Reusability**; **Part 2: Data Polymorphism**.

5.2 Implementation of objects

It is the most convenient and natural to define a single object or closely related objects within the same Fortran module. Note also that components of an object or derived type are referred using the percent symbol %, e.g. `fish%sex` refers to a component `sex` of the object `fish`. Both derived type data components and functions are referred in this way. Derived type data objects can be combined into arrays as "normal" data. For example, the `sex` component of the *i*-th element of the array of derived type `fish` is referred as `fish(i)%sex`. Note that derived types can also include arrays, so `predator%prey(j)` can be *j*-th element of the `prey` array component of the object `predator`. If we use an array of derived type that includes a three-dimensional array component, it could be something like `fish(i)%position(x,y,z)`.

Data structure (user-defined type) is defined in Fortran using the keywords: `type ... end type`. An object can also include subroutines and/or functions. For example, the following object `INDIVIDUAL_GENOME` includes a data structure consisting of a single character string `str` and two subroutines that define its behaviour. The first subroutine has the internal name `init_genome_random` but is referenced outside of the object as `init_genome` (i.e. `init_genome` is a part of the object's interface').

```
module THE_GENOME                                ! The module defines GENOME object
....

type, public :: INDIVIDUAL_GENOME                ! It is defined here
  character(len=len(GA_TARGET)) :: str          ! we have user (derived) type
  contains                                       ! ... and type-bound procedures.
    procedure, public :: init_genome => init_genome_random
    procedure, public :: mutate => mutate_genome
end type INDIVIDUAL_GENOME
```

```

private :: init_genome_random, mutate_genome ! Internal names are "private," so
                                              ! the outside procedures can refer
                                              ! the object subroutines by their
contains                                     ! outer "interface" names set on
                                              ! the left of "=>"

    subroutine init_genome_random(this)      ! The subroutine is almost as usual
        class(INDIVIDUAL_GENOME) :: this    ! Note the use of the CLASS keyword
        .....
    end subroutine init_genome_random
....
end module THE_GENOME

```

Note that the subroutine part of the object `init_genome_random` must have an item of the type definition (`this`) as its first argument. However, we must define it as `class()` rather than `type()`. With `class`, the subroutine will work not only with this specific type, but also with any of its extension (i.e. it is a polymorphic type).

We may then define an additional, more general, object extending the `INDIVIDUAL_GENOME`. In this case, we use the word `extends` in the new type definition (see code below). This says that the components of the `INDIVIDUAL_GENOME` are also included into the new object `INDIVIDUAL_NEURO_ARCH` (i.e. `INDIVIDUAL_NEURO_ARCH` inherits the `INDIVIDUAL_GENOME` components).

```

module THE_NEUROBIO
....
type, public, extends(INDIVIDUAL_GENOME) :: INDIVIDUAL_NEURO_ARCH
    integer :: bundles
    contains
        procedure, public :: init_neuro => init_neurobio_random
end type INDIVIDUAL_NEURO_ARCH

private :: init_neurobio_random

contains

    subroutine init_neurobio_random(this)
        class(INDIVIDUAL_NEURO_ARCH) :: this
        .....
    end subroutine init_neurobio_random

end module THE_NEUROBIO

```

In this way, it is easy to create new objects inheriting properties of other objects, for example, create several layers ranging from the **genome** through the **neurobiological architecture** and up to the **individual fish** and further to a **population** of fish.

However, the above is just the *definition* of an object. To use the object, we must *instantiate* it, i.e. create its specific instance and set the values. This is analogous to having a specific data type, e.g. `integer`. We cannot use "just an integer," we need (1) to create a specific variable (variable is also an object though trivial!) of the type `integer` (e.g. `integer :: Var_A`) and (2) to assign a specific value to it (`Var_A=1`).

For example, the following creates two instance arrays of the type `INDIVIDUAL_FISH`. Both arrays are one-dimensional and have `POPSIZE` elements. So we now have two fish populations, `generation_one` and `generation_two`. Each individual value of such an array, e.g. `generation_one(1)` is an instance of the object of the type `INDIVIDUAL_FISH` that can be quite a complex data structure including many different data types, even arrays and lower-order derived types (you can define derived types inside other derived types). So, instead of being arrays of simple values these object arrays are in fact arrays of complex data structures potentially consisting of many different data types and arrays:

```

type(INDIVIDUAL_FISH), dimension(POPSIZE) :: generation_one
type(INDIVIDUAL_FISH), dimension(POPSIZE) :: generation_two

```

We can now assign concrete values to each of the previously defined components of `generation_one` array, e.g.

```

generation_one(i)%sex = "male"           ! assign values to individual components
generation_one(i)%alive = .true.         ! of the object instance
generation_one(i)%food(j) = "spaghetti"

```

We can also use the subroutines and type-bound functions that we have defined within the object definitions to do specific manipulations on the object and its components:

```

subroutine population_init()
....

  do i = 1, POPSIZE
    call generation_one(i)%init()       ! Initialise the i-th fish object in the
  end do                                ! "generation_one" population array
                                         ! using the object-bound subroutine init
end subroutine population_init

```

TODO — more text later

6 Introduction to the AHA Fortran modules

Module is just a piece of [Fortran](#) program that contains variable or constant declarations and functions and subroutines. Modules are defined in such a simple way:

```

module SOME_MODULE

character (len=*), private, parameter :: text_string = "its value"
integer :: some_variable
real, dimension(:)

contains                                ! subroutines and functions go after "contains"

  subroutine SOME_SUBROUTINE(parameters)
    ...
  end subroutine SOME_SUBROUTINE

end module SOME_MODULE

```

To use any variable/constant/subroutine/function from the module, the program must include the `use MODULE_NAME` statement:

```

use SOME_MODULE
....

```

The AHA modelling tools include several separate modules:

- BASE_UTILS
- CSV_IO
- BASE_RANDOM
- BASE_STRINGS
- LOGGER
- Error trapping modules
- IEEE Arithmetics modules

BASE_UTILS contains a few utility functions. CSV_IO is for output of numerical data into the CSV (comma separated values) format files. CSV is good because it is human-readable but can still be easily imported into spreadsheets and stats packages (R reads CSV). It also has little file size overhead which is good if huge amounts of data are generated by the model.

Invoking the modules requires the `use` keyword in Fortran. `use` should normally be the first statements before `implicit none`:

```
program TEST

  use BASE_UTILS    ! Invoke the modules
  use CSV_IO        ! into this program

  implicit none

  character (len=255) :: REC
  integer :: i
  real, dimension(6) :: RARR = [0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6]
  character (len=4), dimension(6) :: STARR=["a1","a2","a3","a4","a5","a6"]

  .....

end program TEST
```

Building the program with these modules using the command line is normally a two-step process:

build the modules, e.g.

```
gfortran -g -c ../BASE_CSV_IO.f90 ../BASE_UTILS.f90
```

This step should only be done if the source code of the modules change, i.e. quite rarely.

build the program (e.g. TEST.f90) with these modules

```
gfortran -g -o TEST.exe TEST.f90 ../BASE_UTILS.f90 ../BASE_CSV_IO.f90
```

or for a generic F95 compiler:

```
f95 -g -c ../BASE_CSV_IO.f90 ../BASE_UTILS.f90
f95 -g -o TEST.exe TEST.f90 ../BASE_UTILS.f90 ../BASE_CSV_IO.f90
```

A static library of the modules could also be built, so the other more changeable code can be just linked with the library.



Note

The examples above assume that the module code is located in the upper-level directory, so `../`, also the build script or Makefile should normally care about all this automatically.

7 Module: BASE_UTILS

This module contains a few utility functions and subroutines. So far there are two useful things here: **STDOUT**, **STDERR**, **TOSTR**, **CLEANUP**, and **RANDOM_SEED_INIT**.

7.1 Function: TOSTR

TOSTR converts everything to a string. Accepts any numeric or non-numeric type, including integer and real (kind 4 and 8), logical and strings. Also accepts arrays of these numeric types. Outputs just the string representation of the number. Aliases: **STR** (same as **TOSTR**), **NUMTOSTR** (accepts only numeric input parameter, not logical or string)

7.1.1 Examples:

Integer:

```
STRING = TOSTR(12)
produces  "12"
```

Single precision real (type 4)²

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(3.1415926), "<<"
produces >>3.14159250<<
```

Double precision real (type 8)

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(3.1415926_8), "<<"
produces >>3.1415926000000001<<
```

TOSTR also converts logical type to the "TRUE" or "FALSE" strings and can also accept character string as input. In the latest case it just output the input.

Optional parameters

TOSTR can also accept standard Fortran format string as the second optional **string** parameter, for example:

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(3.1415926, "(f4.2)"), "<<"
produces >>3.14<<
```

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(12, "(i4)"), "<<"
produces >> 12<<
```

With integers, TOSTR can also generate leading zeros, which is useful for auto-generating file names or variable names. In such cases, the number of leading zeros is determined by the second optional **integer** parameter. This integer sets the template for the leading zeros, the maximum string. The exact value is unimportant, only the number of digits is used.

For example,

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(10, 100), "<<"
produces >>010<<
```

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(10, 999), "<<"
also produces >>010<<
```

```
print *, "File_" // TOSTR(10, 10000) // ".txt"
produces File_00010.txt
```

Examples of arrays

It is possible to convert numeric arrays to their string representation:

```
real, dimension(6) :: RARR = [0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6]
.....
print *, ">>", TOSTR(RARR), "<<"
produces > 0.100000001 0.200000003 0.300000012 0.400000006 0.500000000 0.600000024<<
```

Fortran format statement is also accepted for arrays:

```
real, dimension(6) :: RARR = [0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.6]
.....
print *, ">>", TOSTR(RARR, "(f4.2)"), "<<"
produces >> 0.10 0.20 0.30 0.40 0.50 0.60<<
```

² Note that float point calculations, especially single precision (real type 4) may introduce a rounding error

It is possible to use array slices and array constructors with implicit do:

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR(RARR(1:4)), "<<"
print *, ">>", TOSTR( (/RARR(i), i=1,4)/ ), "<<"
both produce >> 0.100000001 0.200000003 0.300000012 0.400000006<<
```

or using the newer format with square brackets:

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR( [(RARR(i), i=1,4), 200.1, 400.5] ), "<<"
produces >> 0.100000001 0.200000003 0.300000012 0.400000006 200.100006 400.500000<<
```

the same with format:

```
print *, ">>", TOSTR( [(RARR(i), i=1,4), 200.1, 400.5], "(f9.3)" ), "<<"
produces >> 0.100 0.200 0.300 0.400 200.100 400.500<<
```

The subroutine TOSTR is useful because it allows to change such confusing old-style Fortran string constructions as this

```
!print new gene pool. First make file name      !BSA 18/11/13
if (gen < 10) then
  write(gen1,2902) "gen-0000000",gen
else if (gen < 100) then
  write(gen1,2903) "gen-0000000",gen
else if (gen < 1000) then
  write(gen1,2904) "gen-000000",gen
else if (gen < 10000) then
  write(gen1,2905) "gen-00000",gen
else if (gen < 100000) then
  write(gen1,2906) "gen-0000",gen
else if (gen < 1000000) then
  write(gen1,2907) "gen-000",gen
else if (gen < 10000000) then
  write(gen1,2913) "gen-00",gen
else if (gen < 100000000) then
  write(gen1,2914) "gen-0",gen
else
  write(gen1,2915) "gen-",gen
end if

if (age < 10) then
  write(gen2,2920) "age-0000",age
else if (age < 100) then
  write(gen2,2921) "age-000",age
else if (age < 1000) then
  write(gen2,2922) "age-00",age
else if (age < 10000) then
  write(gen2,2923) "age-0",age
else
  write(gen2,2924) "age-",age
end if

write(gen3,2908) gen1,"-",gen2

if (expmt < 10) then
  write(string104,2901) "HED24-",MMDD,runtag,"-E0",expmt,"-o104-genepool-",gen3,".txt"
else
  write(string104,2910) "HED24-",MMDD,runtag,"-E",expmt,"-o104-genepool-",gen3,".txt"
end if
```

to a much shorter and clear like this:

```
!print new gene pool. First make file name      !BSA 18/11/13
```

```
string104 = "HED24-" // trim(MMDD) // trim(runtag) // "-E0" // &
           TOSTR(expmt,10) // "-o104-genepool-" // &
           "gen-" // TOSTR(gen, 10000000) // "-" // &
           "age-" // TOSTR(age, 10000) // f_exten
```

7.2 Subroutines: STDOUT and STDERR

These subroutines output arbitrary text to the terminal, either to the standard output and standard error. While it seems trivial (standard Fortran print *, or write() can be used), it is still good to have a dedicated standard subroutine for all outputs as we can then easily modify the code to use Matlab/R API to work with and run models from within these environments, or use a GUI window (the least necessary feature now, but may be useful if the environment is used for teaching in future). In such cases we will then implement a specific dedicated output function and just globally swap STDOUT with something like R_MESSAGE_PRINT or X_TXTGUI_PRINT.

STDOUT/STDERR accept an arbitrary number of string parameters, which just represent messages placed to the output. Each parameter is printed on a new line. Trivial indeed:)



Important

It is useful to have two separate subroutines for stdout and stderr as they could be easily separated (e.g. redirected to different files). Redirection could be done under Windows/Linux terminal in such a simple way:

```
model_command.exe 1>output_file_stdout 2>output_file_stderr
```

Here STDOUT is redirected to output_file_stdout, STDERR, to output_file_stderr.

Examples

```
call STDOUT("-----", &
           ch01 // " = " // ch02 // TOSTR(inumber) // " ***", &
           ch10 // "; TEST NR= " // TOSTR(120.345), &
           "Pi equals to = " // TOSTR(realPi, "(f4.2)"), &
           "-----")
```

The above code just prints a message. Note that TOSTR function is used to append numerical values to the text output (unlike standard write where values are separated by commas).

7.3 Function: CLEANUP

CLEANUP Removes all spaces, tabs, and any control characters from the input string. It is useful to make sure there are no trailing spaces in fixed Fortran strings and no spaces in file names.

Example:

```
print *, ">>", CLEANUP("This is along string blablabla"), "<<"
produces >>Thisisalongstringblablabla<<
```

7.4 Subroutine: RANDOM_SEED_INIT_SIMPLE

RANDOM_SEED_INIT_SIMPLE is called without parameters and just initialises the random seed for the Fortran random number generator. But note that the module BASE_RANDOM contains a much better subroutine RANDOM_SEED_INIT that is also suitable for parallel processing systems (RANDOM_SEED_INIT_SIMPLE **cannot** be used in parallel calculations).

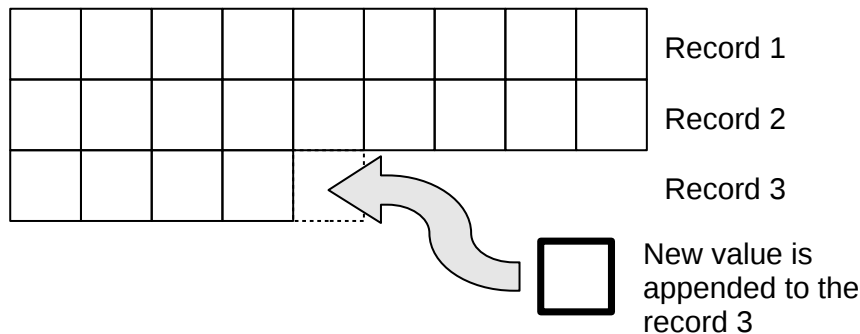
Example

```
call RANDOM_SEED_INIT
```


8 Module: CSV_IO

8.1 Overview

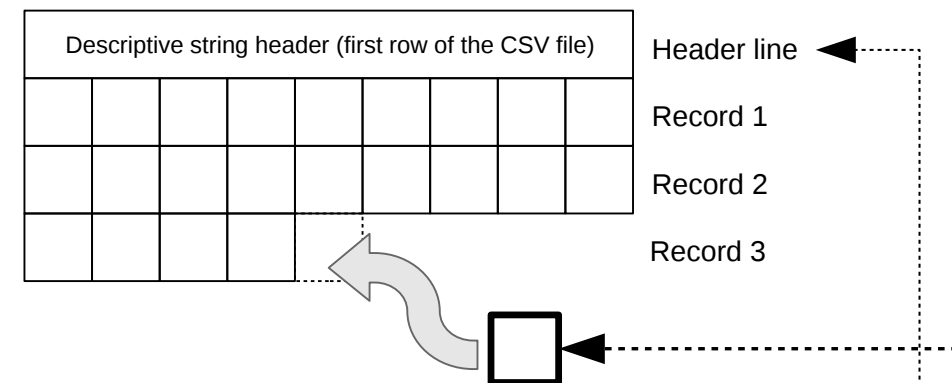
This module contains subroutines and functions for outputting numerical data to the **CSV (Comma Separated Values)** format (**RFC4180**, **CSV format**). There are now only routines for data output to CSV, not (yet?) for input as we don't input much data. CSV **record** is a whole line (**row**) of numbers/strings (as in Excel), a single file can have quite many records (rows).



For example, records (rows) can represent consecutive **generations** during the evolution or **individuals** for within-generation data.

In a typical workflow, within-column variables (i.e. those that belong to the same row of data file) are appended to the same record. When the record is full (i.e. the number of values appended is equal to the number of columns in the CSV file), the record is written physically to the disk file and we can go to writing the next record (row) of the data.

Such a workflow can be like this:



CSV_OPEN_WRITE - physically open CSV file for writing;

CSV_HEADER_WRITE - physically write *optional* descriptive header

do ... - start loop_1 cycle over **rows / records**

do ... - start loop_2 cycle within the record over **column values**

CSV_RECORD_APPEND – append data values to the
 current record / row of the data file

end do ... - end loop 2

CSV_RECORD_WRITE - physically write record to disk, go to next record

end do ... - end loop 2

CSV_CLOSE - physically closes the CSV data file.

Thus, subs ending with **_WRITE** and **_CLOSE** do physical write.

This module is most suited at this moment for CSV file *output* rather than input.

This module widely uses **optional arguments**. They may or may not be present in the function/subroutine call. If not all parameters are passed, so called *named parameters* are used. That is, the name of the parameter(s) within the function is explicitly stated when the function/subroutine is called.

For example, GET_FREE_FUNIT has its both parameters optional (max_funit and file_status), it can be called in the standard way as below:

```
intNextunit = GET_FREE_FUNIT(200, logicalFlag)
```

It can lack any parameter:

```
intNextunit = GET_FREE_FUNIT()
```

If the first optional parameter is absent, GET_FREE_FUNIT is called as here:

```
intNextunit = GET_FREE_FUNIT(file_status=logicalFlag)
```

If both parameters present but swapped in order, it should be

```
intNextunit = GET_FREE_FUNIT(file_status=logicalFlag, max_funit=200)
```

of course, it can also be used this way:

```
intNextunit = GET_FREE_FUNIT(max_funit=200, file_status=logicalFlag)
```



Important

The standard way of using subroutine parameters (without explicitly setting their names) when calling subroutine works only when their are not missing and their order remains the same as in the subroutine declaration. When a function / subroutine has many parameters and optional are interspersed with mandatory, *it is probably just safer to use named parameters anyway*.

Files can be referred either by unit or by name, but unit has precedence (if both a provided, unit is used). There is also a derived type **csv_file** that can be used as a single file handle. If csv_file object is defined, the file name, unit and the latest operation success status can be accessed as %name, %unit, %status (e.g. some_file%name, some_file%unit).

The physical file operation error flag, csv_file_status is of logical type. It is always an optional parameter.

Here is an example of the data saving workflow:

```
use CSV_IO ! invoke this module first
.....
.....
! 1. Generate file name for CSV output
csv_file_append_data_name="data_genomeNR_" // TOSTR(i) // "_" // TOSTR(j) // &
    "_" // TOSTR(k) // ".csv"
.....
! 2. open CSV file for writing
call CSV_OPEN_WRITE (csv_file_append_data_name, csv_file_append_data_unit, &
    csv_written_ok)
if (.not. csv_written_ok) goto 1000 ! handle possible CSV error
! 3. Write optional descriptive header for the file
call CSV_HEADER_WRITE(csv_file_name = csv_file_append_data_name, &
    header = header_is_from_this_string, &
    csv_file_status = csv_written_ok)
.....
.....
! 4. Generate a whole record of variable (column) names
record_csv="" ! but first, prepare empty record string
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, ["VAR_001", ("VAR_" // TOSTR(i,100), i=2, C dip)])
! 5. physically write this variable header record to the file
```

```

call CSV_RECORD_WRITE (record=record_csv, &
                      csv_file_name=csv_file_append_data_name,&
                      csv_file_status=csv_written_ok)
if (.not. csv_written_ok) goto 1000 ! handle possible CSV error
.....
.....
! 6. Now we can write records containing actual data values, we do this
!   in two do-cycles
CYCLE_OVER_RECORDS: do l=1, Cdip
  ! 7. Prepare an empty string for the current CSV record
  record_csv=""
  CYCLE_WITHIN_RECORD: do m=1, CNRcomp
    ....
    ! do some calculations...
    ....
    ....
    ! 8. append the next value (single number: genomeNR) to the current record
    call CSV_RECORD_APPEND ( record_csv, genomeNR(l,m) )
    ....
  end do CYCLE_WITHIN_RECORD
  ! 9. physically write the current record
  call CSV_RECORD_WRITE ( record=record_csv, &
                        csv_file_name=csv_file_append_data_name,&
                        csv_file_status=csv_written_ok )
  if (.not. csv_written_ok) goto 1000 ! handle possible CSV error
  ....
end do CYCLE_OVER_RECORDS
! 10. close the CSV file when done
call CSV_CLOSE( csv_file_name=csv_file_append_data_name, &
               csv_file_status=csv_written_ok )
if (.not. csv_written_ok) goto 1000 ! handle possible CSV error

```

Although, there is a wrapper for saving the whole chunk of the data at once. A whole array or matrix (2-dimensional table) can be exported to CSV in a single command:

```

! save the whole matrix/array d_matrix to some_file.csv
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE(d_matrix, "some_file.csv", fstat_csv)
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000

```

8.2 Subroutine: CSV_OPEN_WRITE

Open CSV file for writing. May have two forms:

(1) either get three parameters:

```

character (len=*) :: csv_file_name  ! file name
integer :: csv_file_unit             ! file unit
logical :: csv_file_status           ! optional status flag, TRUE if operation
                                     ! successful

```

(2) get the (single) file handle object of the derived type csv_file

```

type(csv_file), intent(inout) :: csv_file_handle ! file handle object

```

Example

```

type(csv_file) :: file_occ          ! declare file handle object
.....
call CSV_OPEN_WRITE(file_occ)       ! use file handle object
.....
call CSV_OPEN_WRITE(file_name_data1, file_unit_data1, fstat_csv) ! old style
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000

```

8.3 Subroutine: CSV_CLOSE

Closes a CSV file for reading or writing. May have two forms:

(1) either get three optional parameters:

```
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name    ! file name
integer :: csv_file_unit              ! file unit
logical :: csv_file_status            ! optional status flag, TRUE if operation
                                     ! successful
```



Important

At least **file name** or **unit** should be present in the subroutine call.

(2) get one file handle object of the derived type `csv_file`

```
type(csv_file), intent(inout) :: csv_file_handle ! file handle object
```

Example

```
type(csv_file) :: file_occ          ! declare file handle object
.....
call CSV_CLOSE(file_occ)            ! use file handle object
.....
call CSV_CLOSE(csv_file_name=file_name_data1, & ! old style
               csv_file_status=fstat_csv)
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000
```

8.4 Subroutine: CSV_HEADER_WRITE

Writes an optional descriptive header to a CSV file. The header should normally be the first line of the file.

May have two forms:

(1) either get four parameters, only the header is mandatory, but the file must be identified by name or unit:

```
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name    ! file name
integer :: csv_file_unit              ! file unit
character (len=*) :: header           ! header string
logical :: csv_file_status            ! status flag, TRUE if operation successful
```



Important

At least **file name** or **unit** should be present in the subroutine call.

(2) get two parameters including the header string and the file handle object of the type `csv_file`

```
character (len=*) :: header           ! mandatory CSV file header
type(csv_file) :: csv_file_handle    ! file handle object
```

Example

```
call CSV_HEADER_WRITE(csv_file_name=FILE_NAME_CSV1, &
    header="Example header. Total " // TOSTR(CSV_RECORD_SIZE(record_csv)) // &
    " columns of data.", csv_file_status=fstat_csv)
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000
```

Here CSV file header is generated from several components, including the CSV_RECORD_SIZE function to count the record size.

8.5 Function: GET_FILE_UNIT

Returns file unit associated with an existing open file name, if no file unit is associated with this name (file is not opened), return unit=-1 and error status

Input parameters:

```
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name      ! mandatory file name
logical :: csv_file_status              ! optional status flag, TRUE if operation
                                         ! successful
```

Output parameter (function value):

```
integer :: csv_file_unit                ! unit associated with open file name
```

Example

```
file_unit = GET_FILE_UNIT(file_name)
```

8.6 Function: GET_FREE_FUNIT

Returns the next free/available Fortran file unit number. Can optionally search until a specific maximum unit number.

Input parameters, optional:

```
logical :: file_status                ! operation success status
integer :: max_funit                  ! maximum unit to search
```

Output parameter (function value):

```
integer :: file_unit                  ! the first free/available file unit
```



Important

When optional input parameters are absent, the function uses a hardwired maximum unit number, possibly depending on the computer platform and compiler used.

Example

```
restart_file_unit_27 = GET_FREE_FUNIT()
```

8.7 Function: CHECK_UNIT_VALID

Checks if file unit is valid, that is within the allowed range and doesn't include standard input/output/stderr units. The unit should not necessarily be linked to any file or be an open file.

Input parameter:

```
integer :: file_unit           ! Fortran file unit to check
```

Output parameter (function value):

```
logical :: file_status        ! gets TRUE if the unit is valid
```

Example

```
if (.not. CHECK_UNIT_VALID(csv_file_unit)) then
    csv_file_unit=GET_FREE_FUNIT(csv_file_status, MAX_UNIT)
.....
```

In this example, we check if the user provided unit is valid, if not, get the first available one.

8.8 Function: CHECK_FILE_OPEN

Checks if a file is currently open, can optionally determine the Fortran unit associated with an open file (returns -1 if it is not open). Input parameters can be either raw form (file name or unit) or csv_file object. Optional csv_file_status can determine if the check proceeded without error (=TRUE) there was an error when trying to access the file (=FALSE). Input parameters must be either file name or unit.

Standard (verbose) form:

```
! Calling parameters
character (len=*), optional, intent(in) :: csv_file_name ! file name to check
integer, optional, intent(in) :: csv_file_unit          ! or unit to check
logical, optional, intent(out) :: csv_file_status       ! error status
integer, optional, intent(out) :: get_csv_file_unit     ! obtain file unit of
                                                         ! an open file
```

File object form:

```
type(csv_file) :: csv_file_handle
```

Output of the function is logical type, returns TRUE if the file is currently opened, FALSE otherwise.

Examples:

```
if (.not. CHECK_FILE_OPEN("file_out.csv")) call OPEN_OUTPUT
...
if (CHECK_FILE_OPEN(csv_file_unit=12)) goto 100
...
file_is_open = CHECK_FILE_OPEN(csv_file_name="data_out.csv", &
                               get_csv_file_unit=fileunit, &
                               csv_file_status=error_flag)
```

```
type (csv_file) :: output_handle
...
if (CHECK_FILE_OPEN(output_handle)) then
...
```

8.9 Subroutine: CSV_RECORD_APPEND

Appends one of the possible data objects to the current CSV record. Data objects could be either a single value (integer, real with single or double precision, character string) or a one-dimensional array of the above types or still an arbitrary length list of the same data types from the above list.

8.9.1 Overview

The first parameter of the subroutine is always character string record:

```
character (len=*) :: record           ! character string record to append data
```

The other parameters may be of any of the following types: integer (kind=4), real (kind=4), real (kind=8), character string.



Important

The record keeping variable can be either fixed length string or an allocatable string. But it should fit the whole record. This might be a little bit tricky if record is allocatable as `record_string=""` allocates it to an empty string. A good tip is to use the `repeat` function in Fortran to allocate the record string to the necessary value, e.g. `record=repeat(" ", MAX_RECORD)` will produce a string consisting of `MAX_RECORD` blank characters. `record` should not necessarily be an empty string initially, it could be just a whole blank string.

8.9.2 Examples

Append a single string to the current record:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, "ROW_NAMES")
```

Append a single value (any of the supported types) to the current record:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, value)           ! some variable of supported type
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, 123.5_8)         ! double precision literal value
```

Append a list of values (any one of the supported types) to the current record:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, fish, age, stat4, fecund)
```

Append an array slice (any of the supported types) to the current record:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, RARR(1:4))
```

Append an array using old-style array constructor with implied do (any of the supported types) to the current record:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, (/ (RARR(i), i=1,6) /))
```

Append an array using new-style array constructor (square brackets) with implied do plus two other values (all values can have any of the supported types but should have the same type) to the current record:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, [(RARR(i), i=1,4), measurl, age(fish)])
```

Append integers from 1 to 10 to the current record (using implied do):

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, [(i,i=1,10)])
```

Append a string, an array of strings with implied do and finally another string to the record. This example shows how variable (column) names could be generated:

```
call CSV_RECORD_APPEND(record_csv, ["ROW_NAME", ("VAR_" // TOSTR(i,1000), i=1,1000), "STATUS"])
```



Important

On some compilers (e.g. Oracle Solaris Studio f95 v.12 but not GNU gfortran version >5), all strings within the array constructor must explicitly have the same length, otherwise the compiler issues an error. In gfortran (>5, the first occurrence of the string (e.g. the first iteration of the implied do loop) defines the default length and all extra characters are just silently dropped. The behaviour of other compilers and their versions may differ.

8.10 Function: CSV_GUESS_RECORD_LENGTH

Guesses the maximum size for the string variable keeping the record being appended for CSV_RECORD_APPEND.

It gets two parameters: integer record size (the number of separate numerical values in the record) and the maximum target value (integer, real, or double precision real (kind=8)) and returns an integer value for a guess for the record size. The target value is used to estimate the number of characters and should have the same type as the values being appended with CSV_RECORD_APPEND.

```
! suppose we have a real matrix and like to save it to a CSV file
real, dimension(1000,20) :: MATRX_A
...
! we declare the CSV record as allocatable string
character(len=:), allocatable :: record_for_csv
...

! As explained in the Important note to CSV_RECORD_APPEND above, we have to
! allocate the string record such that it fits the complete record;
! This can be achieved as follows. Here 20 is the record size (number of cols,
! can be determined as ubound(MATRX_A,2)), and the target value is the
! maximum numeric value of the matrix MATRX_A:
record_for_csv = repeat(" ", CSV_GUESS_RECORD_LENGTH(20, maxval(MATRX_A)))
```



Important

Use this function with caution, especially if long strings are also added to the CSV file. In such a case, make additional allowance for the added string(s).

8.11 Function: CSV_RECORD_SIZE

Counts the number of values in a CSV record.

Input parameters:

```
character (len=*) :: record          ! mandatory CSV record
```

Function value: an integer

```
integer :: csv_record_size
```

Example

```
print *, "This record is: ", CSV_RECORD_SIZE(record_csv), " columns."
```


8.12 Function: CSV_FILE_LINES_COUNT

Counts the number of lines in an existing CSV file. If file cannot be opened or file error occurred, then issues the value -1

Input parameters:

```
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name      ! The name of the existing file
logical :: csv_file_status              ! optional file operation status, TRUE if
                                       ! file operations were successful.
```

Function value: an integer

```
integer :: csv_file_lines_count        ! number of lines in file, -1 if file error
```

Can actually calculate the number of lines in any text file. Does not distinguish header or variable names lines in the CSV file and does not recognize CSV format.

Example

```
print *, "File ", CSV_FILE_LINES_COUNT("test_file.csv", succ_flag), "lines."
```

8.13 Subroutine: CSV_RECORD_WRITE

Physically writes a complete record of data to a CSV file. A record is a single row of data in the file.

This subroutine has two forms:

(1) it can either accept three parameters:

```
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name      ! file name
integer :: csv_file_unit                ! file unit
character (len=*) :: record             ! current CSV record (mandatory)
logical :: csv_file_status              ! optional operation status, TRUE if
                                       ! success
```



Important

The file to write the current record can be referred either by name or unit. So one of them must be present in the subroutine call.

(2) get the CSV record and the (single) file handle object of the derived type `csv_file`

```
character (len=*) :: record              ! current CSV record (mandatory)
type(csv_file) :: csv_file_handle        ! file handle object
```

Example

```
call CSV_RECORD_WRITE(csv_record, file_cop)      ! write current record
call LOG_MSG("Physically wrote record " // TOSTR(a) // & ! report this in some
             " to the file " // file_cop%name // &      ! logging subroutine.
             ", write status =" // TOSTR(file_cop%status))
```

Note, that file handle object is used in the above example.

8.14 Subroutine: CSV_MATRIX_WRITE

Writes a matrix of real (kind 4 or 8), integer or string values to a CSV data file. This is a shortcut allowing to write data in a single code instruction. This subroutine works either with a two-dimensional matrix or one-dimensional array (vector). The behaviour is a little different in these cases.

8.14.1 Two-dimensional matrix

It gets the following parameters: (1) two-dimensional data matrix (of any supported type), (2) mandatory name of the output file; (3) optional vector of column names. If the column name vector is shorter than the "column" dimension of the data matrix, the remaining columns get "COL_XXX" names, where XXX is the consecutive column number (so they are unique). and (4) optional logical file operation success status.

```
[any supported], dimension(:, :) :: matrix ! data object, array or 2-d matrix
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name         ! file name for output
character, dimension(:) :: colnames        ! optional array of column names
logical :: csv_file_status                 ! operation status, TRUE if success
```

Example

```
real, dimension(1:100,1:30) :: MATRIX
character (len=8), dimension(1:10) :: NAMES = ["MEAS_001", "MEAS_002", "MEAS_003", &
"MEAS_004", "MEAS_005", "MEAS_006", "MEAS_007", "MEAS_008", "MEAS_009", "MEAS_010"]
....
! save data with column names, the first ten names are taken from the NAMES
! string array, the remaining ones are autogenerated
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE(matrix=MATRIX, colnames=NAMES,
                      csv_file_name="data_file.csv", csv_file_status=fstat_csv)
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000

! save data without column names
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE(matrix=MATRIX, csv_file_name="data_file.csv",
                      csv_file_status=fstat_csv)
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000
```

Higher-rank arrays (with more than two dimensions)³ can be saved into CSV files using array slices, for example:

```
real, dimension(100,300,99) :: M3 ! Declare a 3D matrix M3
....
do i=lbound(M3,3), ubound(M3,3) ! Cycle over the third index, min - max

! Save separate slices of M3 into individual files file_01.csv .. file_99.csv
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE(matrix=M3(:, :, i), &
                      colnames=NAMES, &
                      csv_file_name="file_" // TOSTR(i,10) // ".csv", &
                      csv_file_status=flag)

end do
```

8.14.2 One-dimensional arrays

With one-dimensional array (vector), the subroutine gets (1) the array, (2) output file name, (3) logical parameter pointing if the array is saved "vertically" (as a single column, if TRUE) or "horizontally" (as a single row, if FALSE). If the vertical parameter is absent, the default TRUE (i.e. "vertical" data output) is used. There is also an alias to this subroutine, **CSV_ARRAY_WRITE**.

```
[any supported], dimension(:) :: array ! data object, array
character (len=*) :: csv_file_name ! file name for output
logical :: vertical ! optional parameter defining how one-
! dimensional array is saved
logical :: csv_file_status ! operation status, TRUE if success
```

Example

³ CSV_IO code could be modified to save higher-rank arrays if this function is needed

```
! Here the data will be written into a single row of values
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE (ARRAY, "data_file.csv", .FALSE., fstat_csv)
if (.not. fstat_csv) goto 1000
```

Tip

In the simplest cases, with only the data object and the file name, CSV_MATRIX_WRITE can be used with a two-dimensional matrix or one-dimensional array in the same way (it's convenient during debugging):

```
real, dimension(1:100,1:20) :: MatrixX      ! Matrix, two dimensional
real, dimension(1:100) :: Array_Y           ! Array, one-dimensional
.....
.....
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE(MatrixX, "file_matrixx.csv") ! write 2-d matrix
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE(Array_Y, "file_array_y.csv") ! write 1-d array
```

8.14.3 Combining multiple arrays with RESHAPE

RESHAPE is a powerful Fortran function that allows combining several arrays in various ways. This could be very useful for saving multiple vectors (or arrays) of the same type into a single CSV file using a single line of code.

Suppose we have two integer object vectors `generation_one%individual%fitness` and `generation_one%individual%person_number` each having `POPSIZE` elements (these are just two one-dimensional vector components of a single object). Each of these vectors can be saved using the standard CSV_MATRIX_WRITE call:

```
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE (generation_one%individual%fitness, "ZZZ1_F.csv")
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE (generation_one%individual%person_number, "ZZZ1_N.csv")
```

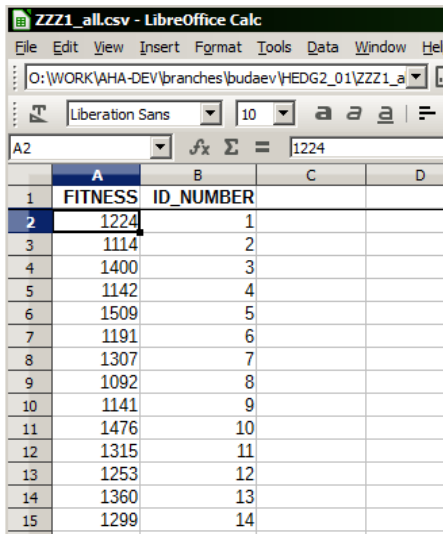
	A
1	1224
2	1114
3	1400
4	1142
5	1509
6	1191
7	1307
8	1092
9	1141
10	1476
11	1315
12	1253
13	1360
14	1299
15	1227

	A	B
1	1	
2	2	
3	3	
4	4	
5	5	
6	6	
7	7	
8	8	
9	9	
10	10	
11	11	
12	12	
13	13	
14	14	
15	15	

The code below reshapes these two vectors into a single two-column matrix (by columns, array constructors are in square brackets `[]`), so in the final CSV file they represent two separate variables. Note that there is also an array constructor for two descriptive column names of the same string length.

```
! Here we save two huge integer vectors reshaping them into a single matrix
! by columns, see help on Fortran reshape function and array constructors.
! It also creates a vector of two column names for the output file.
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE ( reshape(
                        [generation_one%individual%fitness,
                        generation_one%individual%person_number],
                        [POPSIZE, 2]),
                        "ZZZ1_all.csv",
                        ["FITNESS ", "ID_NUMBER"]
                    )
```

So the resulting data CSV file is like this:



	A	B	C	D
1	FITNESS	ID_NUMBER		
2	1224	1		
3	1114	2		
4	1400	3		
5	1142	4		
6	1509	5		
7	1191	6		
8	1307	7		
9	1092	8		
10	1141	9		
11	1476	10		
12	1315	11		
13	1253	12		
14	1360	13		
15	1299	14		

If the arrays to be combined have different types, it is possible to use whole-array type conversions to get some common type for all of the arrays. For example, if we combine an integer array A and a real array B (both having POPSIZE elements as above), it is wise to convert integer to real to avoid losing data precision:

```
! Here integer array A is converted to real so both A and B have the same type.
call CSV_MATRIX_WRITE ( reshape(                                &
                        [real(A), B],                            &
                        [POPSIZE, 2]),                          &
                        "ZZZ1_all.csv",                          &
                        ["FITNESS ", "ID_NUMBER"]                &
                        )
```

We do not combine multiple loops manually, and automatic reshaping of the arrays is (usually) very fast.

8.15 Derived type: csv_file

This type is used as a unitary file handle object. It has the following structure:

```
type, public :: csv_file
  character (len=MAX_FILENAME) :: name ! The name of the file
  integer :: unit = -1                ! Fortran unit associated with the file
  logical :: status = .TRUE.          ! success flag for the latest operation
end type csv_file
```

If csv_file object is defined, the file name, unit and the latest operation success flag can be accessed as %name, %unit, %status (e.g. some_file%name, some_file%unit).

8.15.1 Basic Example

```
type(csv_file) :: file_occ           ! define the file handle object
....
file_occ%name="some_name.txt"        ! set file name value
....
call CSV_OPEN_WRITE(file_occ)        ! Open file for writing
....
call CSV_CLOSE(file_occ)             ! Close file
```

8.15.2 Arrays of structures

This derived type can be also used as an array. An example below shows how can this be done.

```
type(csv_file), dimension(:), allocatable :: file_ABM ! Define allocatable array
..... ! of file handle objects
allocate(file_ABM(modulators)) ! Allocate this array
.....
! now, use the array to handle many files of the same type
do j=1, modulators
  file_ABM(j)%name = "file_no_" // TOSTR(j,10) // ".csv" ! Set file handle (j)
  call CSV_OPEN_WRITE(file_ABM(j)) ! and use it
end do
```

Important



The file name is set as a standard **non-allocatable** fixed string because allocatable strings may not be supported on all compiler types and versions. Notably, older GNU gfortran (prior to v.5) does not allow allocatable strings in derived types. Currently, MAX_FILENAME=255 (can be changed in the code). There is one consequence of using fixed strings: you may have to use the Fortran trim() function to cut off trailing blanks if strings are concatenated. E.g. do file_name=trim(String1) //trim(String2) instead of file_name=String1 //String2 or use file_name=CLEANUP(String1 //String2) to remove all blank and control characters.

9 Module: BASE_RANDOM

This module contains subroutines for generating random numbers (pseudo-random number generator, PRNG). However, the code of this module depends on the platform and compiler used. The build system (make) generates the appropriate header file automatically.

9.1 RANDOM_SEED_INIT

Initialise the random seed for random number generation. This module uses an improved random seed generation algorithm that uses the system entropy pool on Unix systems and XOR of the current time and PID on Windows. Therefore, it is **safe** for use on **parallel processing systems**. Normally has no parameters.

```
call RANDOM_SEED_INIT()
```

RANDOM_SEED_INIT can optionally return the current (calculated) seed as two parameters: integer dimension of the seed array n_here and the array itself seed_here. This, however, is useful only for debugging.

```
integer :: dbg_seed_size ! depends on compiler/platform
integer, dimension (12) :: dbg_seed_array ! ... can be 12 or 2 on x86
...
call RANDOM_SEED_INIT(dbg_seed_size, dbg_seed_array)
print *, "Seed: ", dbg_seed_size, ", array: ", dbg_seed_array(:dbg_seed_size)
```

The seed array size can be different: on GNU gfortran x86 it is **12**, on Intel and Oracle Fortran (both x86) it is **2**.

9.2 RAND_I

Generates a random integer within the range A to B (the two parameters of the function).

```
ipos = RAND_I(1, len(ga_target))
```

9.3 RAND_R4 and RAND_R8

Generates a random real (type 4 or 8). Has no parameters.

```
if ( RAND_R4() < ga_mutationrate ) then
  call mutate(fish(i))
end if
```

9.4 Build details

When **not using** the automatic build system based on GNU make, the module subroutine RANDOM_SEED_INIT should be tweaked according to the compiler and platform as follows:

GNU fortran:

```
!*****
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE BEGIN ***

use ISO_FORTRAN_ENV, only: int64 ! GNU and Intel

implicit none

integer, allocatable :: seed(:)
integer :: i, n, un, istat, dt(8), pid
integer(int64) :: t

! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE END ***
!*****
```

Intel Fortran

```
!*****
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE BEGIN ***

use ISO_FORTRAN_ENV, only: int64 ! GNU and Intel

use IFPORT, only : getpid ! getpid is an extension defined in IFPORT

implicit none

integer, allocatable :: seed(:)
integer :: i, n, un, istat, dt(8), pid
integer(int64) :: t

! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE END ***
!*****
```

Oracle Fortran

```
!*****
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE BEGIN ***

! External Modules not used on Oracle f95, but an include header must be placed

implicit none

integer, allocatable :: seed(:)
integer :: i, n, un, istat, dt(8), pid
integer, parameter :: int64 = selected_int_kind(18) ! define int64
integer(int64) :: t
```

```
include "system.inc" ! Include non-intrinsic library headers for the Oracle f95

! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE END ***
!*****
```

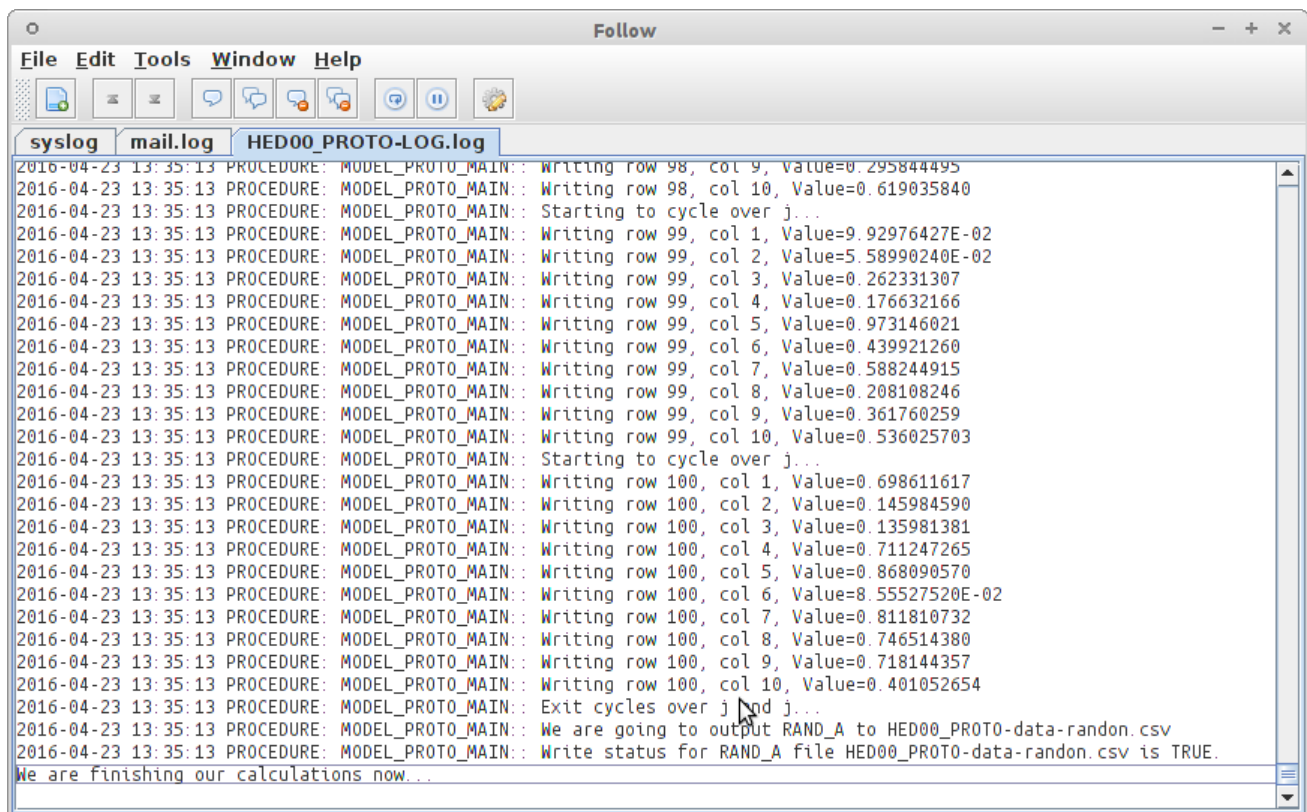
The build system based on GNU make does this automatically.

10 Module: LOGGER

10.1 Overview

This module controls logging arbitrary messages during the execution of the program. The format and destination of the messages is configurable during the run time. Thus, a trace of the execution can be read by the user during and after the execution. The module includes subroutines to connect a file to the logger, configure the logging process, for example enable or disable the terminal (stdout) messages, issue actual log messages. There are four log levels (**volume**, **chapter**, **section** and **subsection**) that can differ a little in the visual representation, it can be useful for marking specific parts of the log. Logging is especially useful for simulation models that run for quite a long time like AHA. The user can then check the log from time to time to make sure everything is in order and get an idea about where it is running now.

Here is an example of a log file with timestamps (date and time printed on the left of the log strings) being displayed using the [Follow](#) program.



10.2 Subroutine: LOG_STARTUP

The logger must be started up with the subroutine `LOG_STARTUP` that has the log file name as a parameter, for example `call LOG_STARTUP("logfile-01.log")`. The second optional argument defines if the existing log file with the same name should be appended (`.TRUE.`, default) or overwritten (`.FALSE.`). The code below shows how to start logging and build the log file from parts:

```
!> Set log file name from string parts and start logging, *overwrite* old log
call LOG_STARTUP("output_" // MODEL_NAME // "_" // TAG_MMDD() // &
                 "_MAIN.log", .FALSE.)
```

10.3 Subroutine: LOG_CONFIGURE

There are also several configuration options for the `LOGGER` which are called using the `LOG_CONFIGURE` subroutine.

`LOG_CONFIGURE` accepts two parameters:

- character string parameter name
- parameter value (character string, integer or logical type)

These are the possible configuration options and their explanations:

Option	Value	Explanation
timestamp	logical TRUE/FALSE	if timestamp is issued in the log
writeonstdout	logical TRUE/FALSE	if the log should also go to terminal (stdout)
writeonlogfile	logical TRUE/FALSE	if the log should also go to the disk file
stoponerror	logical TRUE/FALSE	defines if execution should stop on error
logfileunit	integer value	Set specific unit for log (use with caution!)
level_string_volume	string delimiter	Set the string for volume
level_string_chapter	string delimiter	Set the string for chapter
level_string_section	string delimiter	Set the string for section
level_string_subsection	string delimiter	Set the string for subsection

The following code shows an example of `LOGGER` configuration. Here it turns **on** printing timestamps in the log and chooses whether log messages should also go to the screen terminal (stdout).

```
call LOG_CONFIGURE("timestamp", .TRUE.)      ! do timestamps in the log

if (IS_DEBUG) then
  call LOG_CONFIGURE("writeonstdout" , .TRUE.) ! output also to screen if DEBUG
else
  call LOG_CONFIGURE("writeonstdout" , .FALSE.) ! NO screen log output normally
end if
```

10.4 Function: LOG_ISINITIALIZED

The logical function `LOG_ISINITIALIZED` returns `TRUE` if the logger is already initialised.

```
if (LOG_ISINITIALIZED) then
```

10.5 Subroutine: LOG_CGET

The subroutine `LOG_CGET` is used to query a `LOGGER` configuration option value. It has two parameters, character string option and logical, integer or character string value. Its use is similar to `LOG_CONFIGURE`.

```
call LOG_CGET("writeonstdout", is_stdout)    ! check if log is going to screen
```


10.6 Subroutine: LOG_DELIMITER

LOG_DELIMITER issues a string delimiter to the log, it has an optional integer argument setting the kind of the delimiter, default is "volume" (1). This is useful to mark the log with visually different parts. The maximum string length of the delimiter is **80** characters (set as a public integer parameter LOG_LEVEL_DELIMITER_LENGTH).

The four levels of logging **volume**, **chapter**, **section** and **subsection** are defined in the module `LOGGER` as constants, so these constant can be used instead of the integer number. There are also the default delimiter strings.

```
integer , parameter , public :: LOG_LEVEL_VOLUME = 1      ! "===== "
integer , parameter , public :: LOG_LEVEL_CHAPTER = 2    ! "----- "
integer , parameter , public :: LOG_LEVEL_SECTION = 3    ! "***** "
integer , parameter , public :: LOG_LEVEL_SUBSECTION = 4 ! "++++++ "
```

Below is a code example of issuing log delimiters:

```
call LOG_DELIMITER(1)                ! issues volume      "----- "
.....
call LOG_DELIMITER(LOG_LEVEL_SUBSECTION) ! issues subsection "++++++ "
```

Using a user-defined delimiter string is illustrated below.

```
! Set delimiter as a 60-characters long line of "=====.." for volume delimiter
call LOG_CONFIGURE("level_string_volume", repeat("=", 60))
.....
call LOG_DELIMITER(LOG_LEVEL_VOLUME)      ! issues this long delimiter line
```

10.7 Subroutine: LOG_SHUTDOWN

LOG_SHUTDOWN: The last thing to do is to shut down logging with the LOG_SHUTDOWN subroutine:

```
call LOG_SHUTDOWN () ! close logger
```

11 Module: BASE_STRINGS

This module containing some useful string manipulation functions is borrowed from <http://www.gbenthien.net/strings/index.html>. The description below is just repeating the official doc file included with the module. Note that there are a couple of utils (`READLINE`, `WRITEQ`) in this module that work with files. These use the standard Fortran unit to refer for the file and unlike the other modules here are not adjusted (yet) to use the file handle object (`csv_file`).

Fortran Character String Utilities. A collection of string manipulation routines is contained in the module 'strings' found in the file `stringmod.f90`. To obtain this module as well as some other string utilities, go to the website <http://www.gbenthien.net/strings/index.html>. To use the routines in the module 'strings' the user needs to add the statement `use strings` to the top of the program. These routines were developed primarily to aid in the reading and manipulation of input data from an ASCII text file. The routines are described below.

11.1 Subroutine: PARSE

```
SUBROUTINE PARSE(str, delims, args, nargs)
```

This routine was originally designed to separate the arguments in a command line where the arguments are separated by certain delimiters (commas, spaces, etc.). However, this routine can be used to separate other types of strings into their component parts. The first input is a string `str` (e.g., a command line). The second argument is a string `delims` containing the allowed delimiters. For example, `delims` might be the string " , " consisting of a comma and a space. The third argument is a character array `args` that contains on output the substrings (arguments) separated by the delimiters. Initial spaces in the substrings (arguments) are deleted. The final argument is an integer `nargs` that gives the number of separated parts (arguments). To treat a delimiter

in `str` as an ordinary character precede it by a backslash (`\`). If a backslash character is desired in `str`, precede it by another backslash (`\\`). In addition, spaces that immediately precede or follow another delimiter are not considered delimiters. Multiple spaces or tabs are considered as a single space, i.e., "a b" is treated the same as "a b". Backslashes can be removed from an argument by calling the routine `REMOVEBKSL`, i.e.,

```
call REMOVEBKSL(<string>)
```

This routine converts double backslashes (`\\`) to single backslashes (`\`).

Example: If the delimiters are a comma and a space (`delims = " , "`), then the subroutine `PARSE` applied to the string "cmd arg1 arg\2 arg3" produces the output:

```
args(1) = cmd
args(2) = arg1
args(3) = arg 2
args(4) = arg3
nargs = 4
```

11.2 Subroutine: COMPACT

```
SUBROUTINE COMPACT(str)
```

This routine converts multiple spaces and tabs to single spaces and deletes control characters.

11.3 Subroutine: REMOVESP

```
SUBROUTINE REMOVESP(str)
```

This routine removes spaces, tabs, and control characters in string `str`.

11.4 Subroutine: VALUE

```
SUBROUTINE VALUE(str, number, ios)
```

This subroutine converts a number string to a number. The argument `str` is a string representing a number. The argument `number` is the resulting real number or integer (single or double precision). The argument `ios` is an error flag. If `ios` is nonzero, then there was an error in the conversion.

11.5 Subroutine: SHIFTSTR

```
SUBROUTINE SHIFTSTR(str, n)
```

This routine shifts characters in the string `str` by `n` positions (positive values denote a right shift and negative values denote a left shift). Characters that are shifted off the end are lost. Positions opened up by the shift are replaced by spaces.

11.6 Subroutine: INSERTSTR

```
SUBROUTINE INSERTSTR(str, strins, loc)
```

This routine inserts the string `strins` into the string `str` at position `loc`. Characters in `str` starting at position `loc` are shifted right to make room for the inserted string.

11.7 Subroutine: DELSUBSTR

```
SUBROUTINE DELSUBSTR(str, substr)
```

This subroutine deletes the first occurrence of substring `substr` from string `str` and shifts characters left to fill hole.

11.8 Subroutine: DELALL

```
SUBROUTINE DELALL(str, substr)
```

This routine deletes all occurrences of substring `substr` from string `str` and shifts characters left to fill holes.

11.9 Function: UPPERCASE

```
FUNCTION UPPERCASE(str)
```

This function returns a string that is like the string `str` with all characters that are not between a pair of quotes (" " or ' ') converted to uppercase.

11.10 Function: LOWERCASE

```
FUNCTION LOWERCASE(str)
```

This function returns a string that is like the string `str` with all characters that are not between a pair of quotes (" " or ' ') converted to lowercase.

11.11 Subroutine: READLINE

```
SUBROUTINE READLINE(nunitr, line, ios)
```

This routine reads a line from unit `nunitr`, ignoring blank lines and deleting comments beginning with an exclamation point(!). The line is placed in the string `line`. The argument `ios` is an error flag. If `ios` is not equal to zero, then there has been an error in the read operation. A negative value for `ios` denotes an end of file.

11.12 Subroutine: MATCH

```
SUBROUTINE MATCH(str, ipos, imatch)
```

This routine finds the delimiter in string `str` that matches the delimiter in position `ipos` of `str`. The argument `imatch` contains the position of the matching delimiter. Allowable delimiters are (), [], {}, <>.

11.13 Subroutine: WRITENUM

```
SUBROUTINE WRITENUM(number, string, fmt)
```

This routine writes a number to a string. The argument `number` is a real number or an integer (single or double precision). The number `number` is written to the character string `string` with format `fmt` (e.g., "e15.6" or "i5").

11.14 Subroutine: TRIMZERO

```
SUBROUTINE TRIMZERO(str)
```

This subroutine deletes nonsignificant trailing zeroes in a number string `str`. A single zero following a decimal point is allowed. For example, "1.50000" is converted to "1.5" and "5." is converted to "5.0".

11.15 Subroutine: WRITEQ

```
SUBROUTINE WRITEQ(unit, name, value, fmt)
```

This routine writes a string of the form "name=value" to the unit `unit`. Here `name` is the input string name and `value` is the input number value converted to a string with the format `fmt`. The number value can be a real number or an integer (single or double precision).

11.16 Function: IS_LETTER

```
FUNCTION IS_LETTER(ch)
```

This function returns the logical value `.TRUE.` if the input character `ch` is a letter (a–z or A–Z). It returns the value `.FALSE.` otherwise.

11.17 Subroutine: IS_DIGIT

```
FUNCTION IS_DIGIT(ch)
```

This function returns the logical value `.TRUE.` if the input character `ch` is a digit (0–9). It returns the value `.FALSE.` otherwise.

11.18 Subroutine: SPLIT

```
SUBROUTINE SPLIT(str, delims, before, sep)
```

This routine uses the first occurrence of a character from the string `delims` in the string `str` to split the string into two parts. The portion of `str` before the found delimiter is output in `before`; the portion of `str` after the found delimiter is output in `str` (`str` is left justified). The output character `sep` (optional) contains the found delimiter. To treat a delimiter in `str` as an ordinary character precede it by a backslash (`\`). If a backslash is desired in `str`, precede it by another backslash (`\\`). Repeated applications of `SPLIT` can be used to parse a string into its component parts. Backslashes can be removed by calling the routine `REMOVEBKSL`, i.e., call `REMOVEBKSL(string)`

12 IEEE Arithmetics

12.1 Overview

The model can now use the IEEE arithmetic modules. They allow exact control of the CPU math features and exceptions caused by invalid calculations, such as division by zero, overflow, underflow etc. A potential issue is that they have an optional status in the Fortran standard, so compilers do not have to implement them, although many do.



Important

IEEE arithmetic and exceptions are fully described in chapter 14 of this book: Adams, et al., 2009 *The Fortran 2003 Handbook*. Springer.

For example, Intel Fortran implements intrinsic IEEE arithmetics modules. GNU Fortran does not implement them until version 5.⁴ However, there are external (non-intrinsic) IEEE modules for gfortran on the x86 (support both 32 and 64 bit) that are included into the **HEDTOOLS** bundle.



Important

the **fimm HPC cluster**, where calculations are normally performed, has GNU Fortran 4.8.1 and will require non-intrinsic IEEE modules. It also has the Intel Fortran which has built-in (intrinsic) IEEE modules though.

⁴ It was because GNU compiler collection is made for portability and supports many different processor architectures in addition to the most common x86 and implementation of IEEE modules is highly dependent on the CPU type and features.

12.2 IEEE Exceptions

There are several exception conditions:

- IEEE_DIVIDE_BY_ZERO
- IEEE_INEXACT
- IEEE_INVALID
- IEEE_OVERFLOW
- IEEE_UNDERFLOW
- IEEE_USUAL (An array of three exceptions IEEE_OVERFLOW, IEEE_DIVIDE_BY_ZERO, IEEE_INVALID)
- IEEE_ALL (An array of five exceptions IEEE_OVERFLOW, IEEE_DIVIDE_BY_ZERO, IEEE_INVALID, IEEE_UNDERFLOW, IEEE_INEXACT)

Normally, if the program encounters invalid arithmetic calculations, then it should crash or at least report the problem. Otherwise, correctness of calculations is not guaranteed. By default, many compilers just **ignore** invalid calculations (even many cases of division by zero, NaN⁵ generation etc.).

In most cases NaNs and other invalid arithmetics strongly point to a bug. If a NaN value is just left ignored during the calculations, it will likely propagate further into some other calculations making them invalid. It is therefore wise to turn halting ON by default in *model* calculations (unlike normal utility software that should never crash).

Turning arithmetic exception halting ON during the compile time requires specific compiler options.

Compiler	option	example
GNU GCC	-ffpe-trap	-ffpe-trap=zero,invalid,overflow,underflow
Intel Fortran	-fpe (/fpe)	-fpe0 (/fpe:0 on Windows)
Solaris Studio	--ftrap	--ftrap=invalid,overflow,division

The IEEE module IEEE_EXCEPTIONS allows to control halting during the run time. For example, it is cool to switch halting ON in specific troublesome parts of the code that can normally result in invalid calculations (division by zero, invalid, inexact etc.) and control each such occurrence specifically (e.g. provide a subroutine handling and fixing the calculations).

Halting the program that encounters specific condition is controlled via IEEE_GET_HALTING_MODE subroutine (returns logical parameter IEEE_DEF_MODE). For example, for IEEE_INVALID it is:

```
call IEEE_GET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_INVALID, IEEE_DEF_MODE)
```

It is also possible to set specific halting mode for specific condition. For example, to set halting ON (execution termination) on invalid arithmetic do this:

```
call IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_INVALID, .TRUE.) ! Will halt on IEEE_INVALID
```

Here is an example:

```
...
! Invoke IEEE Arithmetics:
! use, non_intrinsic :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS ! if gfortran v<5

! We normally use included auto-generated wrapper for the module
include "IEEE_wrap.inc"

IMPLICIT NONE

REAL    r, c, C0, Ap, Vc, Ke, Eb
```

⁵ "Not a Number," a wrong arithmetic value that is not equal to itself, can result from many math errors

```

REAL      FR1,FR2,F1,FDER

....

logical :: IEEE_MATH_FLAG, IEEE_DEF_MODE ! values for IEEE math modules

call IEEE_GET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_INVALID, IEEE_DEF_MODE) ! Get default halting
call IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_INVALID, .FALSE.)      ! NO halting from here!

...

FR2=LOG (ABS (C0) *Ap*Vc)
FR1=LOG ( ( (Ke+Eb) /Eb) *r*r*EXP (c*r) )
F1 = FR1-FR2
FDER = c + 2./r

call IEEE_GET_FLAG(IEEE_INVALID, IEEE_MATH_FLAG) ! Get the error flag
if (IEEE_MATH_FLAG) then
  ! if IEEE exception is signalled, we cannot relay on the calculations
  ! Report the error: remember there is no halting now, the program won't stop
  write(10,*) "IEEE exception in DERIV ", r,F1,FDER,c,C0,Ap,Vc,Ke,Eb
  ! We also have to fix the calculations, e.g. equate some values to zero
  r=0.; F1=0.; FDER=0.
  call IEEE_SET_FLAG(IEEE_INVALID, .FALSE.) ! Set the error flag back to FALSE
end if

...

call IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_INVALID, IEEE_DEF_MODE) ! Set default halting

END SUBROUTINE DERIV

```

12.3 Implementation details

We use an automatic build system (see below) which normally keeps track of the compiler and its version and IEEE modules support, there is no need to include `use, intrinsic (or non_intrinsic) :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS` and tweak it manually depending on the compiler support. The build system automatically generates the correct include file `IEEE_wrap.inc` which should be inserted into the code in place of `use ...` statement:

```

SUBROUTINE DERIV(r,F1,FDER,c,C0,Ap,Vc,Ke,Eb)
!Derivation of equation for visual range of a predator

! Invoke IEEE Arithmetics:
! use, non_intrinsic :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS ! if gfortran v<5

! We normally use included auto-generated wrapper for the module
include "IEEE_wrap.inc"

REAL      r,c,C0,Ap,Vc,Ke,Eb
....

```

Without the GNU make-based build system, the rule is simple. Use **non-intrinsic** modules with GNU gfortran version <5.0⁶ and build the modules beforehand:

```

!*****
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE BEGIN ***
use, non_intrinsic :: IEEE_FEATURES
use, non_intrinsic :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC

```

⁶ e.g. gfortran on the fimm cluster

```

use, non_intrinsic :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE END ***
!*****

```

and **intrinsic** modules on GNU gfortran v>5, Intel Fortran or Oracle Fortran:

```

!*****
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE BEGIN ***
use, intrinsic :: IEEE_FEATURES
use, intrinsic :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
use, intrinsic :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS
! *** NON-PORTABLE CODE END ***
!*****

```

13 Build system: GNU make

13.1 Overview

The model currently uses a build system based on [GNU make](#) (Makefile). [GNU make](#) is an automated system for building source core (in fact, any digital project that requires keeping track of dependencies between multiple components.)

The make program is intended to automate the mundane aspects of transforming source code into an executable. The advantages of make over scripts is that you can specify the relationships between the elements of your program to make, and it knows through these relationships and timestamps exactly what steps need to be redone to produce the desired program each time. Using this information, make can also optimize the build process avoiding unnecessary steps.

— Mecklenburg R. *Managing Projects with GNU Make*

All the build rules for building the model executable are collected in the Makefile. If the model requires external components (e.g. non-intrinsic IEEE math modules), they will be automatically inserted.

GNU make is good because it works on diverse combinations of platforms and OSs (e.g. Linux and Windows). Some proprietary Unix platforms could supply the vendor's make utility that may not be compatible with the GNU make (e.g. Oracle Solaris includes its own make clone). There might be an option turning on GNU compatibility. But it is better to use the GNU make (gmake on Solaris) anyway.

13.2 Using make

Most basic things with the standard Makefile are simple. The commands are issued on the terminal [console](#).

13.2.1 Building and running the model

- Get a short help on the options: `make help`
- Autogenerate model documentation with Doxygen: `make docs`
- Build the model executable using default compiler: `make`
- Force rebuild the model executable with Intel compiler: `make intel`
- Force rebuild the model executable with GNU compiler: `make gnu`
- Run the current model: `make run` (on the fimm HPC cluster, this will automatically start a new batch job)

13.2.2 Cleanup

There are also a few options for deleting the files and data generated by the build process.

- Remove all the data generated by the model `make cleandata`
- Remove all the data files generated by the model run as well as the model executable: `make clean`
- Remove everything generated by the build system and all the data, retain the default state: `make distclean`

13.2.3 Debugging

The environment variable `DEBUG` controls whether the build system produces the debug symbols (`-g`) or, if NOT defined, speed-optimised machine code (`-O3`, automatic loop parallelization etc.). To build with debug support just define `DEBUG` in the manner standard for the platform/OS. For example, on Linux use:

```
$ DEBUG=1 make
```

or (`DEBUG` is now persistent)

```
$ export DEBUG=1
$ make
```

on Windows:

```
O:\WORK\MODEL\HED18>set DEBUG=1
O:\WORK\MODEL\HED18>make
```

or use `DEBUG` as a parameter to `make`, this works on all platforms:

```
$ make intel DEBUG=1
```

The `make` system keeps track of all the code components. For example, if only one has been changed, it will recompile only this. It also keeps track of whether IEEE math modules are really necessary and if the intrinsic or non-intrinsic modules are used.

For example, you may have built the model executable (`make`) and then edited the code of a module a little. Then just issue command to run batch (`make run`) on `fimm`. The `make` system will then automatically determine that the model executable is now out of date and recompile the changed module and build an updated executable, and only after this will start the batch job.

Another example: you just checked-out or updated (e.g. `svn up`) the model source that is tested and known to be bug-free on the `fimm` cluster. Now you should compile components of the program, (e.g. tweak IEEE math modules), build the executable, and finally start the executable in the cluster's batch job system. All this is done using a single command: `make run`.

```
$ svn update
$ ... some output...
$ make run
```

The system should work the same way on Windows and Linux, including the `fimm` HPC cluster. By editing the `Makefile` provided, one can easily tweak the behaviour of the build process, e.g. add other modules, change names, compilation options and details etc.

Microsoft Studio, Oracle Solaris Studio and other similar IDEs actually provide their own `make` systems (e.g. `nmake`, `make` or `dmake`) that work behind the scenes even if the IDE GUI is used.

13.3 Tweaking Makefile

13.3.1 Basic parameters

Here go basic parameters of the `Makefile`

13.3.2 Build options

Here build variables will be placed.

**Important**

A good manual on the GNU Make is this book: [Mecklenburg, R, 2005, *Managing Projects with GNU Make*, Third edition. O'Reilly](#). There is also the official [GNU Make Manual](#).

14 Final Notes: Manual builds

If the model is built *without* using the automatic [GNU make](#) utility and the supplied `Makefile`, you should take care about the dependencies and header files yourself. These are the modules that require manual source tweaking in such cases:

- [BASE_RANDOM](#)
- [IEEE Modules](#)

These pieces of code should be edited manually depending on the compiler and its version used. Please check your documentation. Make sure all source code files for the model as well as for the HEDTOOLS are included in the project. Many IDEs allow generating (importing) project from a supplied `Makefile` and recognize GNU make format. This could make work a little easier.

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