

Mixed Type Numeric Expressions

In the CPU calculations must be performed between objects of the **same** type, so if an expression mixes type some objects must change type.

Default types have an implied ordering:

1. INTEGER -- **lowest**
2. REAL
3. DOUBLE PRECISION
4. COMPLEX -- **highest**

The result of an expression is always of the **highest** type. For example:

- * **INTEGER * REAL** gives a **REAL** ($3 * 2.0 = 6.0$)
- * **REAL * INTEGER** gives a **REAL** ($3.0 * 2 = 6.0$)
- * **DOUBLE PRECISION * REAL** gives **DOUBLE PRECISION**
- * **COMPLEX * <any type>** gives **COMPLEX**
- * **DOUBLE PRECISION * REAL * INTEGER** gives **DOUBLE PRECISION**

The actual operator is unimportant.

Mixed Type Assignment

Problems often occur with mixed-type arithmetic. The rules for type conversion are given below.

- **INTEGER = REAL**

the RHS is evaluated, truncated (all of the decimal places lopped off) and assigned to the LHS.

- **REAL = INTEGER**

the RHS is promoted to be REAL and stored (approximately) in the LHS.

Example: `program mixedassign.f90`

Intrinsic Procedures

Fortran 90 has over 100 built-in or intrinsic procedures to perform common tasks efficiently. They belong to a number of classes:

* **Elemental**

- Mathematical (SQRT, SIN, LOG, etc.)
- Numeric (ABS, CEILING, SUM, etc.)
- Character (INDEX, SCAN, TRIM, etc.)
- Bit (IAND, IOR, ISHFT, etc.)

* **Inquiry** (ALLOCATED, SIZE, etc.)

* **Transformational** (REAL, TRANSPOSE, etc.)

* **Miscellaneous** or non-elemental subroutines (SYSTEM_CLOCK and DATE_AND_TIME)

Introduction to Formatting

Fortran 90 has extremely powerful, flexible and easy-to-use capabilities for output formatting.

- * The default formatting may be sufficient on your computer for now, but sometimes **roundoff error** causes “ugly” looking real values.
- * It's not a malfunction of the computer's hardware, but a fact of life of finite precision arithmetic on computers.
- * Replace the asterisk denoting the default format with a custom format specification.
- * **Example: `add_2_reals.f90`**

Edit Descriptors

The three most frequently used edit descriptors are:

- * **f** (floating point) for printing of reals

syntax: **fw.d**

w = total number of positions

d = number of places after the decimal point

- the decimal point occupies a position, as does a minus sign

- * **a** (alphanumeric) for character strings

- * **i** (integer) for integer (can use **iw.d** format, where the **d** will pad in front of the value with zeroes)

Also the new line (**/**) and tab (**t**) edit descriptors.

Example: **format_examples.f90**

Subroutines and Functions

Procedures: Subroutines and Functions

There are two types of procedures:

- * **SUBROUTINE**: a parameterized named sequence of code which performs a specific task and can be invoked from other program units.
 - ♦ invoked with the **CALL** statement
- * **FUNCTION**: same as a subroutine but returns a result in the function name.
 - ♦ invoked by placing the function name (and its associated arguments in an expression)
 - ♦ use when just one return value is needed.
- * **Example**: **sort3.f90** and **sort_3.f90**

Notes

- * This simple example illustrates one of the important uses of subroutines: To exhibit the overall structure of a program and put the details in another place.
- * Internal subroutines and functions are designated by the **contains** statement.
- * The **implicit none** in the host program applies to the internal subroutines. Also used in modules.
- * Can we go even further with this example?

Subroutines with Arguments

- * We can pass values to a subroutine by placing them in parentheses after the name of the subroutine in the call statement.
- * In the call to swap, n1 and n2 are called **arguments**.
- * Although it may appear to be handy, internal procedures may **not** be nested.
- * To make subroutine swap available to other program units, we would need to place it within a module.

Functions

- * Just like a subroutine, but intended to return one value (or an array of values). Invoked just like an intrinsic function.
- * The result of a function should be placed in a result variable using the **result** keyword at the end of the function statement.
- * If the result keyword and variable are omitted, the function name is used as the return variable and must be declared in the function)
- * **Example:** **series.f90**

Argument Association

- * The variables **a** and **b** in subroutine swap are place holders for the two numbers to be swapped. These are **dummy arguments** and must be declared in the subroutine. The variables **n1** and **n2** in the first call to swap are the **actual arguments**.
- * If the value of a dummy argument changes, then so does the value of the actual argument (**pass-by-reference**).
- * An actual argument that is a constant or an expression more complicated than a variable can only pass a value to the corresponding dummy argument. This is called **pass-by-value**.

- * It is bad programming practice to modify arguments in function calls.
- * In general, the number of actual and dummy arguments **must be the same**.
- * Also, the data type (and kind parameter) of each actual argument must match that of the corresponding dummy argument.
- * Keyword arguments and optional arguments: best explained by an example (**series2.f90**)