

# Modern Fortran Reference Card

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## 1 Data Types

### 1.1 Simple Data Types

`integer(specs)[,attrs] :: i` integer  
`real(specs)[,attrs] :: r` real number  
`complex(specs)[,attrs] :: z` complex number  
`logical(specs)[,attrs] :: b` boolean variable  
`character(specs)[,attrs] :: s` string  
`real, parameter :: c = 2.9e1` constant declaration  
`real(idp) :: d; d = 1.0d0` double precision real  
`s2=s(2:5); s2=s(:5); s2=s(5:)` substring extraction  
**attributes:** parameter, pointer, target, allocatable, dimension, public, private, intent, optional, save, external, intrinsic  
**specs:** kind=..., **for character:** len=...

double precision: `integer, parameter :: idp = kind(1.0d0)`

### 1.2 Derived Data Types

`type person_t` define derived data type  
    `character(len=10) :: name`  
    `integer :: age`  
`end type person_t`  
`type group_t`  
    `type(person_t), allocatable & F2008: allocatable ...`  
    & :: members(:) ... components  
`end type group_t`  
`name = group%members(1)%name` access structure component

### 1.3 Arrays and Matrices

`real :: v(5)` explicit array, index 1..5  
`real :: a(-1:1,3)` 2D array, index -1..1, 1..3  
`real, allocatable :: a(:)` “deferred shape” array  
`a=(/1.2,b(2:6,:),3.5/)` array constructor  
`v = 1/v + a(1:5,5)` array expression  
`allocate(a(5),b(2:4),stat=e)` array allocation  
`deallocate(a,b)` array de-allocation

### 1.4 Pointers (avoid!)

`real, pointer :: p` declare pointer  
`real, pointer :: a(:)` “deferred shape” array  
`real, target :: r` define target  
`p => r` set pointer p to r  
`associated(p, [target])` pointer assoc. with target?  
`nullify(p)` associate pointer with NUL

### 1.5 Operators

`.lt. .le. .eq. .ne. .gt. .ge.` relational operators  
`< <= == /= > >=` relational op aliases  
`.not. .and. .or. .eqv. .neqv.` logical operators  
`x**(-y)` exponentiation  
`'AB'//'CD'` string concatenation

## 2 Control Constructs

`if (...) action` if statement  
`if (...) then` if-construct  
    `block`  
`else if (...) then; block`  
`else; block`  
`end if`  
`select case (number)` select-construct  
    `case (:0)` everything up to 0 (incl.)  
    `block`  
    `case (1:2); block` number is 1 or 2  
    `case (3); block` number is 3  
    `case (4:); block` everything up from 4 (incl.)  
    `case default; block` fall-through case  
`end select`  
`outer: do` controlled do-loop  
    `inner: do i=from,to,step` counter do-loop  
        `if (...) cycle inner` next iteration  
        `if (...) exit outer` exit from named loop  
    `end do inner`  
`end do outer`  
`do while (...);block;end do` do-while loop

## 3 Program Structure

`program myprog` main program  
    `use foo, lname => username` used module, with rename  
    `use foo2, only: [only-list]` selective use  
    `implicit none` require variable declaration  
    `interface;...;end interface` explicit interfaces  
    `specification-statements` var/type declarations etc.  
    `exec-statements` statements  
    `stop 'message'` terminate program  
`contains`  
    `internal-subprograms` subroutines, functions  
`end program myprog`  
`module foo` module  
    `use bar` used module  
    `public :: f1, f2, ...` list public subroutines  
    `private` make private by default  
    `interface;...;end interface` explicit interfaces  
    `specification statements` var/type declarations, etc.  
`contains`  
    `internal-subprograms` “module subprograms”  
`end module foo`  
`function f(a,g) result r` function definition  
    `real, intent(in) :: a` input parameter  
    `real :: r` return type  
    `interface` explicit interface block  
        `real function g(x)` dummy var g is function  
            `real, intent(in) :: x`  
        `end function g`  
    `end interface`  
    `r = g(a)` function call  
`end function f`  
`recursive function f(x) ...` allow recursion  
`elemental function f(x) ...` work on args of any rank

`subroutine s(n,i,j,a,b,c,d,r,e)` subroutine definition  
    `integer, intent(in) :: n` read-only dummy variable  
    `integer, intent(inout) :: i` read-write dummy variable  
    `integer, intent(out) :: j` write-only dummy variable  
    `real(idp) :: a(n)` explicit shape dummy array  
    `real(idp) :: b(2,:)` assumed shape dummy array  
    `real(idp) :: c(10,*)` assumed size dummy array  
    `real, allocatable :: d(:)` deferred shape (F2008)  
    `character(len=*) :: r` assumed length string  
    `integer, optional :: e` optional dummy variable  
    `integer :: m = 1` same as integer, save::m=1  
    `if (present(e)) ...` presence check  
    `return` forced exit

`end subroutine s`

`call s(1,i,j,a,b,c,d,e=1,r="s")` subroutine call

Notes:

- explicit shape allows for reshaping trick (no copies!): you can pass array of any dim/shape, but matching size.
- assumed shape ignores lbounds/ubounds of actual argument
- deferred shape keeps lbounds/ubounds of actual argument
- subroutines/functions may be declared as pure (no side effects)

### Use of interfaces:

• *explicit interface* for external or dummy procedures  
`interface`  
    `interface body` sub/function specs  
`end interface`  
• *generic/operator/conversion interface*  
`interface generic-spec`  
    `module procedure list` internal subs/functions  
`end interface`

*generic-spec* can be any of the following:

1. “generic name”, for overloading routines
2. operator name (+ -, etc) for defining ops on derived types  
    You can also define new operators names, e.g. `.cross.`  
    Procedures must be one- or two-argument functions.
3. assignment (=) for defining assignments for derived types.  
    Procedures must be two-argument subroutines.

The *generic-spec* interfaces should be used inside of a module; otherwise, use full sub/function specs instead of module procedure list.

## 4 Intrinsic Procedures

### 4.1 Transfer and Conversion Functions

`abs(a)` absolute value  
`aimag(z)` imag. part of complex z  
`aint(x, kind), anint(x, kind)` to whole number real  
`dbble(a)` to double precision  
`cmplx(x, y, kind)` create  $x + iy$   
`cmplx(x, kind=idp)` real to dp complex  
`int(a, kind), nint(a, kind)` to int (truncated/rounded)  
`real(x, kind)` to real (i.e. real part)  
`char(i, kind), achar(i)` char of ASCII code  
`ichar(c), iachar(c)` ASCII code of character  
`logical(l, kind)` change kind of logical 1  
`ibits(i, pos, len)` extract sequence of bits  
`transfer(source, mold, size)` reinterpret data

## 4.2 Arrays and Matrices

allocated(a)	check if array is allocated
lbound(a,dim)	lowest index in array
ubound(a,dim)	highest index in array
shape(a)	shape (dimensions) of array
size(array,dim)	extent of array along dim
all(mask,dim)	all .true. in logical array?
any(mask,dim)	any .true. in logical array?
count(mask,dim)	number of true elements
maxval(a,d,m)	max value in masked array
minval(a,d,m)	min value in masked array
product(a,dim,mask)	product along masked dim
sum(array,dim,mask)	sum along masked dim
merge(src,fsrc,mask)	combine arrays as mask says
pack(array,mask,vector)	packs masked array into vect.
unpack(vect,mask,field)	unpack vect into masked field
spread(source,dim,n)	extend source array into dim.
reshape(src,shp,pad,ord)	make array of shape from src
cshift(a,s,d)	circular shift
eoshift(a,s,b,d)	“end-off” shift
transpose(matrix)	transpose a matrix
maxloc(a,mask)	find pos of max in array
minloc(a,mask)	find pos of min in array

## 4.3 Computation Functions

ceiling(a), floor(a)	to next higher/lower int
conjg(z)	complex conjugate
dim(x,y)	max(x-y, 0)
max(a1,a2,...), min(a1,...)	maximum/minimum
dprod(a,b)	dp product of sp a, b
mod(a,p)	a mod p
modulo(a,p)	modulo with sign of a/p
sign(a,b)	make sign of a = sign of b
matmul(m1,m2)	matrix multiplication
dot_product(a,b)	dot product of vectors
<b>more:</b> sin, cos, tan, acos, asin, atan, atan2, sinh, cosh, tanh, exp, log, log10, sqrt	

## 4.4 Numeric Inquiry and Manipulation Functions

kind(x)	kind-parameter of variable x
digits(x)	significant digits in model
bit_size(i)	no. of bits for int in model
epsilon(x)	small pos. number in model
huge(x)	largest number in model
minexponent(x)	smallest exponent in model
maxexponent(x)	largest exponent in model
precision(x)	decimal precision for reals in
radix(x)	base of the model
range(x)	dec. exponent range in model
tiny(x)	smallest positive number
exponent(x)	exponent part of x in model
fraction(x)	fractional part of x in model
nearest(x)	nearest machine number
rrspacing(x)	reciprocal of relative spacing
scale(x,i)	x b**i
set_exponent(x,i)	x b**(i-e)
spacing(x)	absolute spacing of model

## 4.5 String Functions

lge(s1,s2), lgt, lle, llt	string comparison
adjustl(s), adjustr(s)	left- or right-justify string
index(s,sub,from_back)	find substr. in string (or 0)
trim(s)	s without trailing blanks
len_trim(s)	length of trim(s)
scan(s,setd,from_back)	search for any char in set
verify(s,set,from_back)	check for presence of set-chars
len(string)	length of string
repeat(string,n)	concat n copies of string

## 4.6 Bit Functions

btest(i,pos)	test bit of integer value
iand(i,j), ieor(i,j), ior(i,j)	and, xor, or of bit in 2 integers
ibclr(i,pos), ibset(i,pos)	set bit of integer to 0 / 1
ishft(i,sh), ishftc(i,sh,s)	shift bits in i
not(i)	bit-reverse integer

## 4.7 Misc Intrinsic Subroutines

date_and_time(d,t,z,v)	put current time in d,t,z,v
mvbits(f,fpos,len,t,tpos)	copy bits between int vars
random_number(harvest)	fill harvest randomly
random_seed(size,put,get)	restart/query random generator
system_clock(c,cr,cm)	get processor clock info

## 5 Input/Output

### 5.1 Format Statements

fmt = "(F10.3,A,ES14.7)"	format string
Iw Iw.m	integer form
Bw.m Ow.m Zw.m	binary, octal, hex integer form
Fw.d	decimal form real format
EW.d	exponential form (0.12E-11)
EW.dEe	specified exponent length
ESw.d ESw.dEe	scientific form (1.2E-10)
ENw.d ENw.dEe	engineer. form (123.4E-12)
Gw.d	generalized form
Gw.dEe	generalized exponent form
Lw	logical format (T, F)
A Aw	characters format
nX	horizontal positioning (skip)
Tc TLC TRc	move (absolute, left, right)
r/	vert. positioning (skip lines)
r(...)	grouping / repetition
:	format scanning control
S SP SS	sign control
BN BZ	blank control (blanks as zeros)

w full length, m minimum digits, d dec. places, e exponent length, n positions to skip, c positions to move, r repetitions

### 5.2 Argument Processing / OS Interaction

```
n = command_argument_count()
call get_command_argument(2, value) ! get 2nd arg
call get_environment_variable(name, &
& value, length, status, trim_name) ! optional
call execute_command_line(command, &
& wait, exitstat, cmdstat, cmdmsg) ! optional
```

These are part of *F2003/F2008*. Older Fortran compilers might have vendor extensions: iargc, getarg, getenv, system

## 5.3 Reading and Writing to Files

print '(I10)', 2	print to stdout with format
print *, "Hello World"	list-directed I/O (stdout)
write(*,*) "Hello World"	list-directed I/O (stdout)
write(unit, fmt, spec) list	write list to unit
read(unit, fmt, spec) list	read list from unit
open(unit, specifiers)	open file
close(unit, specifiers)	close file
inquire(unit, spec)	inquiry by unit
inquire(file=filename, spec)	inquiry by filename
inquire(iolength=iol) outlist	inquiry by output item list
backspace(unit, spec)	go back one record
endfile(unit, spec)	write eof record
rewind(unit, spec)	jump to beginning of file

### 5.4 I/O Specifiers (open statement)

iostat=error	save int error code to error
err=label	label to jump to on error
file='filename'	name of file to open
status='old' 'new' 'replace'	status of input file
'scratch' 'unknown'	
access='sequential' 'direct'	access method
form='formatted' 'unformatted'	formatted/unformatted I/O
recl=integer	length of record
blank='null' 'zero'	ignore blanks/treat as 0
position='asis' 'rewind'	position, if sequential I/O
'append'	
action='read' 'write'	read/write mode
'readwrite'	
delim='quote' 'apostrophe'	delimiter for char constants
'none'	
pad='yes' 'no'	pad with blanks
<b>close-specifiers:</b> iostat, err, status='keep' 'delete'	
<b>inquire-specifiers:</b> access, action, blank, delim, direct, exist, form, formatted, iostat, name, named, nextrec, number, opened, pad, position, read, readwrite, recl, sequential, unformatted, write, iolength	
<b>backspace-, endfile-, rewind-specifiers:</b> iostat, err	

### 5.5 Data Transfer Specifiers

iostat=error	save int error code to error
advance='yes' 'no'	new line?
err=label	label to jump to on error
end=label	label to jump to on EOF
eor=label	label for end of record
rec=integer	record number to read/write
size=integer-variable	number of characters read

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