

## FORTRAN 77

### Chapter 4

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## ARRAYS AND SUBSCRIPTED VARIABLES

- A variable can store a single value at a time. There may be cases where we have to deal with a set of values. Using so many variables for storing all these values is a difficult practice.
- In such case we use **subscripted variable** that refers to an **array** or a group of quantities by a single name.

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## SUBSCRIPTED VARIABLES

- A **subscript** can only be an integer constant, an integer variable or an integer expression. If the subscript is an expression it should be **greater than one** when evaluated.
- The general form of a **subscripted variable** is an integer or a real variable name followed by subscripts enclosed within parentheses.
- For example:  $v(i, j, k)$  is a subscripted variable, where  $v$  is a variable name which may be either integer or real and  $i, j, k$  are subscripts.

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## ARRAYS

- Many scientific computations use **vectors** and **matrices**. The data type Fortran uses for representing such objects is the array.
- A **one-dimensional array** corresponds to a vector, while a **two-dimensional array** corresponds to a matrix.

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## One Dimensional Arrays

- The simplest array is the **one-dimensional array**, which is just a linear sequence of elements stored consecutively in memory. For example, the type declaration  

```
real a(20)
```

declares **a** as a real array of length 20. That is, a consists of 20 real numbers stored contiguously in memory.
- By convention, Fortran arrays are indexed from 1 and up. Thus the first number in the array is denoted by  $a(1)$  and the last by  $a(20)$ .

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## One Dimensional Arrays

- However, you may define an arbitrary index range for your arrays using the following syntax:  

```
real b(0:19), c(-162:237)
```
- Here, **b** is exactly similar to **a** from the previous example, except the index runs from 0 through 19. But **c** is an array of length  $237 - (-162) + 1 = 400$ .

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## One Dimensional Arrays

- The type of an array element can be any of the basic data types. Examples:

```
integer i(10)
```

```
logical aa(0:1)
```

```
double precision x(100)
```

- Each element of an array can be thought of as a separate variable. You reference the  $i^{\text{th}}$  element of array  $a$  by  $a(i)$ .

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## One Dimensional Arrays

- A code segment that stores the 10 first square numbers in the array:

```
integer i(10), sq(10)
```

```
do 100 i = 1, 10
```

```
sq(i) = i**2
```

```
100 continue
```

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## One Dimensional Arrays

- Reading an array, in the do loop

```
integer i(100), x(100)
```

```
do 10 i = 1, 100
```

```
read(*,*) x(i)
```

```
10 continue
```

- Alternatively, we use the single statement

```
read(*,*) (x(i), i=1,100)
```

- This is called an **implied do statement**.

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## Problems 1:

- Arrange a set of numbers in ascending order.
- Read a set of marks and write the number of marks above average.

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## Two-dimensional arrays

- Matrices are very important in linear algebra. **Matrices** are usually represented by **two-dimensional arrays**. For example, the declaration

```
real A(3,5)
```

defines a **two-dimensional array** of  $3*5=15$  real numbers. It is useful to think of the first index as the **row index**, and the second as the **column index**.

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## Two-dimensional arrays

- Hence we get the graphical picture:

```
(1,1) (1,2) (1,3) (1,4) (1,5)
```

```
(2,1) (2,2) (2,3) (2,4) (2,5)
```

```
(3,1) (3,2) (3,3) (3,4) (3,5)
```

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## Two-dimensional arrays

- Two-dimensional arrays may also have indices in an arbitrary defined range. The general syntax for declarations is:

```
name (low_index1 : hi_index1, low_index2 : hi_index2)
```

- The total size of the array is then

```
size = (hi_index1 - low_index1 + 1) * (hi_index2 - low_index2 + 1)
```

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## Two-dimensional arrays

- Example 1:** Nested do loops

```
real a(3,3)
integer i, j
do 20 j = 1, 3
    do 10 i = 1, 3
        a(i,j) = real(i)/real(j)
    10 continue
20 continue
stop
end
```

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## Two-dimensional arrays

- Example 2:** Nested do loops

```
real a(3,3)
integer i, j
do 20 j = 1, 3
    do 10 i = 1, 3
        read (*,*) a(i, j)
    10 continue
20 continue
stop
end
```

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## Two-dimensional arrays

- Example 3:** Implied do statement

```
real a(3,3)
integer i, j
read (*,*) ((a(i, j), i = 1,3), j = 1,3)
stop
end
```

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## Multi-dimensional arrays

- Fortran 77 allows arrays of up to **seven dimensions**. The syntax and storage format are analogous to the two-dimensional case, so we will not spend time on this.
- The **implied do** may also be used for reading n-dimensional arrays, where  $n \leq 7$ .
- The rules for writing **read statement** with **implied do** apply without any change to **write statements** also.

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## Multi-dimensional arrays

- Example 1:** Nested do loops

```
real a(3,4,5)
integer i, j, k
do 30 k = 1, 5
    do 20 j = 1, 4
        do 10 i = 1, 3
            read (*,*) a(i, j, k)
        10 continue
    20 continue
30 continue
stop
end
```

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## Multi-dimensional arrays

- **Example 2:** Implied do statement

```
real a(3,4,5)
integer i, j, k
read (*, *) (((a(i, j, k), i = 1,3), j = 1,4), k=1,5)
stop
end
```

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## The dimension statement

- There is an alternate way to declare arrays in Fortran 77. The statements

```
real a, x
dimension x(50)
dimension a(10,20)
```

are equivalent to

```
real a(10,20), x(50)
```

- To make these variables integer type, we use the statement `integer a(10,20), x(50)`.

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## The dimension statement

- With the declaration statement `dimension x(100)`, computer reserves 100 memory cells with names `x(1)`, `x(2)`, `x(3)`, ..., `x(100)`.
- The statement `dimension` is a non-executable statement which provides information to the compiler that `x` is a subscripted variable with 100 components and each is of type integer.
- This dimension statement is considered **old-fashioned** style today.

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