



Modern Fortran: Features for High-Performance Computing

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Agenda

- Fortran through the ages
- A brief introduction to Fortran
- Object-oriented features
- C Interoperability
- Parallelization (DO Concurrent Coarrays)
- Future standardization plans



During the presentation...

- If you have questions, please use the Zoom Chat window. I will pause at times and look to see questions that were asked
- We will have a break about half-way through
- There will be time at the end for general questions
- Feel free to email me afterward with questions about any of these topics (steve@stevelionel.com – also [@DoctorFortran](https://twitter.com/DoctorFortran) on Twitter.
- “DF:” indicates related post on my blog, <https://stevelionel.com/drfortran>

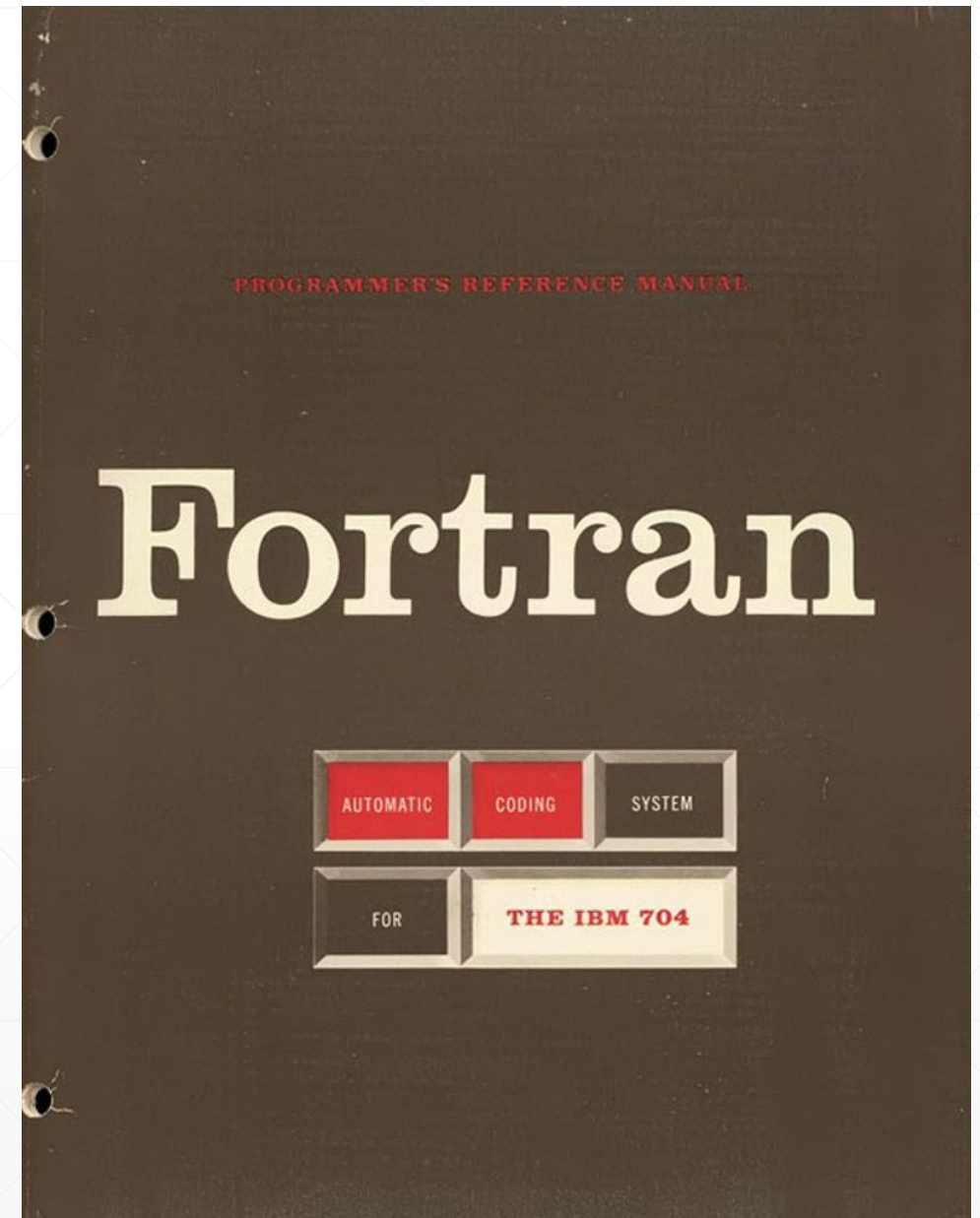


Fortran through the ages



History of Fortran

- 1954 - Specifications for the IBM Mathematical FORMula TRANSlating System, FORTRAN.
- 1956 - The FORTRAN Automatic Coding System for the IBM 704





ANSI FORTRAN 66

Published March 1966





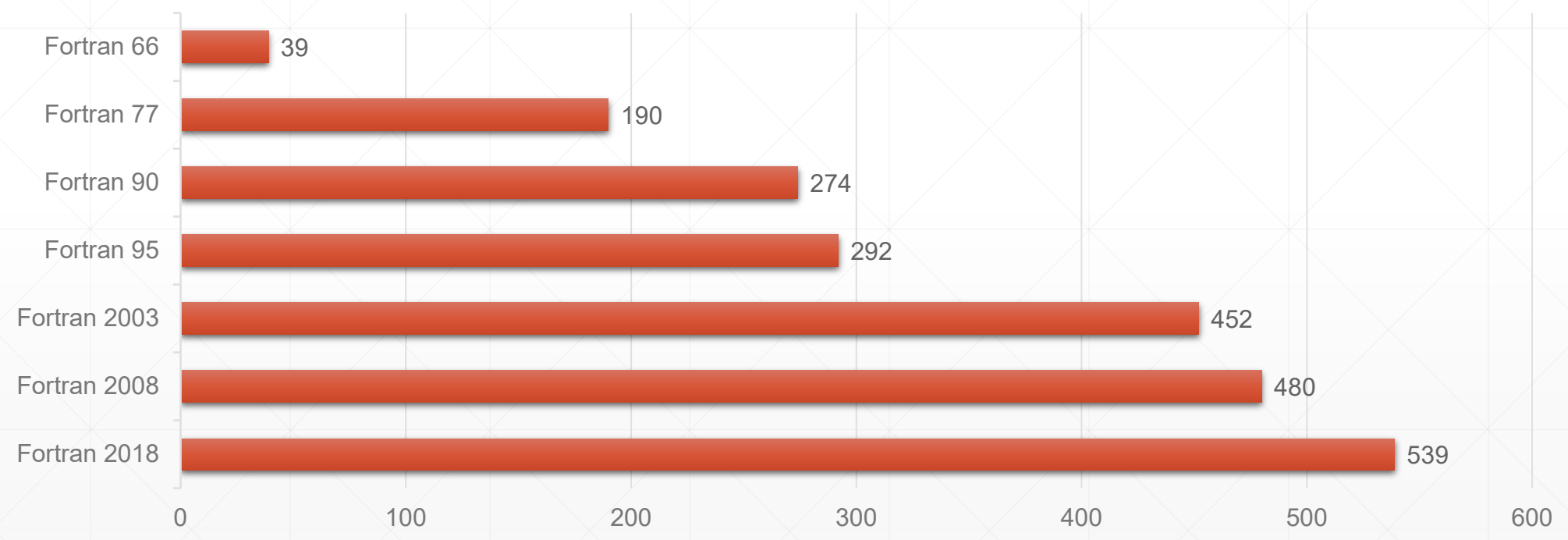
Later Standards

- FORTRAN 77 (1978)
- Fortran 90 (1991)
- Fortran 95 (1997)
- Fortran 2003 (2004)
- Fortran 2008 (2010)
- Fortran 2018 (2018)



The Fortran Standard Through the Years

Pages





How is a new Fortran standard made?

- International Fortran committee is ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG5
- Experts from individual countries make up National Bodies
- WG5 determines general content of the standard
- Development of features is done by the US National Body (INCITS PL22.3, informally “J3”)
- All WG5 members vote to approve a “Final Committee Draft”
- Fortran 2018 was published November 2018
- Next revision working title “Fortran 202X”



What the standard does and doesn't say

- The standard describes how a standard-conforming program is interpreted
- Compilers can (and do) assign meanings to syntax and relationships not specified in the standard
- Compilers need only have the capability of reporting code that does not meet numbered syntax rules or constraints
- All compilers have extensions – make sure you understand what you are using
- Obsolescent and deleted features - avoid if possible



A Brief Introduction to Fortran



Why Fortran

- Modern language features
- Compatibility with large body of existing code
- Robust array operations
- Standard gives compilers flexibility to optimize
- Can mix Fortran with other languages (C interoperability)
- Built-in parallel features
- Choice of implementations



Free-form Source

- Free source form introduced in Fortran 90
 - Source lines may be up to 132 characters long
 - Statement can start in any column
 - Continuation indicated by & at the end of a line to be continued – next line may start with & - required in some cases
 - Up to 255 continuation lines
 - Semicolon (;) ends a statement – can have multiple statements on a line separated by ;
 - Blanks are significant and must appear between adjacent keywords, with some exceptions allowed (END IF or ENDIF, DOUBLE PRECISION or DOUBLEPRECISION, etc.)
 - ! Indicates rest of line is a comment
 - File type .f90 is best to use for free source form (DF: “Source Form Just Wants to be Free”)
 - Use free source form for all new code!



Fixed-form Source

- Obsolete – compilers will complain if standards check enabled
- 72-character lines
- Numeric label field in columns 1-5
- Continuation indicator nonblank in column 6
- Statement in columns 7-72
- Blanks NOT significant (except in character constants)
- Semicolon can be used to end/separate statement as in free-form
- .f or .for file types typical
- **DO NOT USE IN NEW CODE!**



Program Units

- PROGRAM defines the main program
- SUBROUTINE or FUNCTION
- Internal subroutine or function declared after CONTAINS
- MODULEs and SUBMODULEs (DF: We All Live in a Yellow Submodule)
- BLOCK DATA (obsolete)



Identifiers

- Alphanumeric (Letters (A-Z), Digits (0-9), underscore)
 - \$ is not standard in identifiers, but is a common extension
- Must start with a letter
- Up to 63 characters long
- NOT case-sensitive
 - VARNAME, varname, VarName all the same
 - Keywords are also not case-sensitive
- No reserved words (DF: No Reserve)



Types

- Intrinsic types INTEGER, REAL, COMPLEX, LOGICAL, CHARACTER
- KIND numbers distinguish variants of an intrinsic type. Example: INTEGER(4) or INTEGER(KIND=4)
 - KIND numbers are implementation-dependent, not always tied to storage size
 - COMPLEX kinds are the same as the component REAL kinds
- SELECTED_INT_KIND, SELECTED_REAL_KIND, SELECTED_CHAR_KIND intrinsic functions to specify kind that meets precision, range and/or character set requirements
- CHARACTER types have fixed lengths (except deferred-length allocatable)
- DF: It Takes All KINDs



Derived Types

- User-defined types
- `TYPE mytype; component-list; END TYPE mytype`
- Components can be intrinsic or derived types
- % separates components in a reference (A%B%C)
- No unions



Constants and Operators

- Intrinsic type constants can have optional kind (3.1415926535897_8, 42_4)
 - Kind specifier can be named constant (3.1416026535897_DP)
- Array constructors: [1,2,3,4]
- Structure constructors: mytype(3,'ABC',.TRUE.)
- Exponentiation is **
- Comparison: <, >, <=, >=, ==, /= (older: .LT., .GT., .LE., .GE., .EQ., .NE.)
- Logical: .AND., .OR., .NOT., .EQV., .NEQV. (DF: It's Only LOGICAL)
- User-defined: Example: .DOT_PRODUCT.
- DF: Order! Order!



Arrays

- Array types
 - Explicit-shape – `REAL :: X(10)`
 - Adjustable – `REAL :: X(J)`, where J is a dummy argument/`COMMON`/`MODULE` variable
 - Assumed-size – `REAL :: X(*)`
 - Assumed-shape – `REAL :: X(:)`, where X is dummy argument
 - Deferred-shape – `REAL :: X(:)`, where X is allocatable or pointer
 - Implied-shape – `REAL, PARAMETER :: X(*) = [1,2,3]`
 - Assumed-rank – `REAL :: X(..)`, where X is dummy argument
- Maximum of 15 dimensions
- Default lower bound is 1, can be changed (`REAL :: X(0:8)`)



Arrays

- Whole-array assignment - $A = B$
- Array operations – $A = B + C$
- Array sections - $A(1:100:2)$
- Vector subscripts – $A([2,5,4,7])$
- Intrinsic operations on arrays - (MAXLOC, IALL, MATMUL, DOT_PRODUCT, many more)
- Elemental functions operate on scalars or arrays (or write your own!)



Control Flow

- DO
 - Counted DO: `label: DO I=1,10 .. END DO`
 - Tested DO: `DO WHILE (T > 0) .. END DO`
 - Infinite DO: `DO .. END DO`
 - Parallel allowed DO: `DO CONCURRENT ((I=1:10, J=1:10, A(I) > 0.0 .AND. B(J) < 1.0)`
 - Skip to next iteration: `CYCLE [label]`
 - Leave this loop (or construct): `EXIT [label]`
- Obsolete and Deleted forms
 - `DO 10 I=1,10 .. 10 CONTINUE`
 - `DO 10 I=1,10 .. 10 J = J + I`
 - DF: Hey! Who are you calling Obsolescent?



Control Flow

- IF (*expression*) *statement*
- IF (*expression*)
THEN
 statements
[ELSE
 statements]
END IF
- SELECT CASE (N)
 CASE (: -1)
 SIGNUM = -1
 CASE (0)
 SIGNUM = 0
 CASE (1 :)
 SIGNUM = 1
 CASE DEFAULT
 ERROR STOP
END SELECT



Modules

- Separately compiled collection of declarations and/or procedures

- Example:

```
module mymod
integer, parameter :: widget = 23
type things
  integer :: thing_id
end type things
contains
function get_thing (thing_code)
...
end function get_thing
end module mymod
```




Submodules

- Separate interface from implementation
- Reduce or eliminate “compilation cascade”
- DF: We All Live in a Yellow Submodule



Explicit Interface

- Before Fortran 90, all procedure interfaces were implicit
- Explicit interface declares characteristics of procedure
- Explicit interface automatic for module procedures and internal procedures
- INTERFACE block can be used to create an explicit interface
- Some types of procedures require an explicit interface to be visible
- IMPLICIT NONE (EXTERNAL) forces you to explicitly declare all procedures
- DF: Doctor Fortran Gets Explicit (and Doctor Fortran Gets Explicit – Again!)



Pointer and Allocatable

- POINTER
 - Contains shape and dynamic type information
 - Reference to pointer is to its data, except in pointer assignment (and when passing a pointer to another pointer)
 - Can pointer-assign to anything with the TARGET attribute
 - Can be discontinuous array (stride other than 1)
 - No garbage collection – programmer responsible for avoiding leaks
 - Assumption that pointer objects can be aliased



Pointer and Allocatable

- ALLOCATABLE
 - Contains shape and dynamic type information
 - Always contiguous
 - Never aliased
 - Compiler ensures no leaks
 - Intrinsic assignment automatically reallocates if needed
 - Deferred-length allocatable character serves as varying length strings
 - `CHARACTER(:), ALLOCATABLE :: STR`
`STR = 'ABCDE' ! STR is length 5`
`STR = 'FGHIJKL' ! STR is now length 7`



Input/Output

- ACCESS
 - SEQUENTIAL – sequence of records that can be variable length
 - DIRECT – fixed-length records randomly accessed by record number
 - STREAM – C-like sequence of bytes, can be repositioned
- FORM
 - FORMATTED – text representation
 - UNFORMATTED – binary representation
- Internal I/O
 - READ from, WRITE to CHARACTER variables



Object-Oriented Features



Type Extension

- Create a new type by extending an existing derived type
- Most derived types can be extended
- Type that is extended is the **parent type**
- Extended type inherits all its parent's components
- The parent type is itself a component of the extended type
- DF: Not My TYPE



Type Extension Example

```
type :: parent
  integer :: p1
end type parent
type, extends(parent) :: child
  real :: c2
end type child
type(child) :: kid
```

Available components: kid%c2, kid%p1, kid%parent, kid%parent%p1



Polymorphism

- Polymorphic variables have a declared type and a dynamic type
- `CLASS(parent), POINTER :: p` can point to an object of type `parent` or any of its extensions
- Allocatable polymorphic variables can have their dynamic type specified in the `ALLOCATE` statement: `ALLOCATE (child::p)`
- A polymorphic variable is type-compatible with an object of the same **declared type** or any of its extensions
- `CLASS(*)` means **unlimited polymorphic** – everything is type-compatible with it, but it has no declared type
- `SELECT TYPE` construct to choose based on dynamic type



Type-bound Procedures

```
MODULE MYMOD
TYPE POINT
REAL :: X, Y
CONTAINS
PROCEDURE, PASS :: RADIUS => POINT_RADIUS
END TYPE POINT
```

```
CONTAINS
```

```
FUNCTION POINT_RADIUS (THIS)
REAL :: POINT_RADIUS
CLASS(POINT), INTENT(IN) :: THIS
POINT_RADIUS = SQRT((THIS%X)**2 + (THIS%Y)**2)
END FUNCTION POINT_RADIUS
END MODULE MYMOD
```

```
PROGRAM TEST
USE MYMOD
TYPE(POINT) :: P
P = POINT (2.0, 3.0)
PRINT *, P%RADIUS()
END PROGRAM TEST
```



C Interoperability



C Interoperability

- Standard features to call C (or C-like languages) from Fortran, and to call Fortran from C
- Standard features to share data between Fortran and C
- Definitions and restrictions to ensure common interpretation
- Standard talks about "companion C processor"
- Handles naming, data types and layout, argument passing
- DF: I Can C Clearly Now



Interoperable Types

- Intrinsic types of kinds with supported equivalents in C
- Intrinsic module `ISO_C_BINDING` defines named constants for various C kinds (`C_INT`, `C_FLOAT`, `C_SIZE_T`, `C_CHAR`, `C_LONG_LONG`, etc.)
- If there is no equivalent kind, value of constant is -1
- Derived types with `BIND(C)` attribute are interoperable
 - All components must be interoperable
 - No pointer, allocatable or coarray components
 - Layout in memory matches that of companion C processor



Interoperable Procedures

- Procedure declared with BIND(C) attribute in explicit interface
- Optional NAME= specifies case-sensitive name
- Name "decoration" done as the C processor would
- All dummy arguments must be interoperable
- Fortran procedures can also be interoperable
- C strings interoperable with array of single characters



Fortran 2018 Enhancements

- In Fortran 2003 and 2008, these kinds of dummy arguments were not interoperable:
 - Assumed-shape arrays
 - Assumed-size arrays
 - Character length other than 1
 - Allocatable or pointer variables
- In Fortran 2018, all of these are now interoperable when a “C Descriptor” is passed



C Descriptor

- A C descriptor includes:
 - Attribute code (POINTER, ALLOCATABLE, OTHER)
 - Data type
 - Base address
 - Element length
 - Rank
 - Bounds and extents



C Descriptors

- Fortran creates and passes C descriptors to routines declared as BIND(C)
- C code can operate on C descriptors with CFI_XXX functions
- C code can create C descriptors and pass to Fortran
 - Fortran procedure must have BIND(C) attribute
- Descriptor layout, constants, functions declared in ISO_Fortran_binding.h supplied with each Fortran compiler
 - C descriptors not interoperable with other Fortran compilers
- Be careful about CHARACTER(*) dummy arguments – passed by C descriptor!



```
#include "ISO_Fortran_binding.h"
#include <memory.h>
#include <stdio.h>

extern "C" void greetings(CFI_cdesc_t * descr);

int main()
{
    int status;
    CFI_CDESC_T(0) cdesc;

    // Create our own local descriptor for an allocatable string
    status = CFI_establish((CFI_cdesc_t *)&cdesc, NULL,
                          CFI_attribute_allocatable,
                          CFI_type_char, 1, 0, NULL);
    //Allocate the string to length 7
    status = CFI_allocate((CFI_cdesc_t *)&cdesc, NULL, NULL, 7);
    // Copy in 'Hello, '
    memcpy(cdesc.base_addr, "Hello, ", 7);
    // Call Fortran to append to the string and print it
    greetings((CFI_cdesc_t *)&cdesc);
    printf("Length is now %zd\n", cdesc.elem_len);
    status = CFI_deallocate((CFI_cdesc_t *)&cdesc);
}
```



```
subroutine greetings (string) bind(C)
  implicit none
  character(:), allocatable :: string

  string = string // 'World!'
  print *, string
  print *, 'Length is now', len(string)
end subroutine greetings
```

```
Hello, World!
Length is now 13
```



Assumed Type

- Syntax is `TYPE(*)`
- Unlimited polymorphic - has no declared type
- May be used only for dummy arguments
- Like C `void`
- Limited use in Fortran code



Allocatable Dummy Arguments

- `ALLOCATABLE`, `INTENT(OUT)` dummy arguments get deallocated on entry to a Fortran procedure
- In Fortran 2018, a `BIND(C)` procedure can now have such an argument
- Fortran processor is required to do the deallocation on the call



More F2018 Interoperability Changes

- A Fortran procedure with a CONTIGUOUS dummy argument must be able to handle a C descriptor for a non-contiguous array
- Interoperable procedures may now have OPTIONAL dummy arguments
- ASYNCHRONOUS attribute extended to data access other than input/output



Assumed Rank

- Syntax is `DIMENSION(. .)`
- May be used only for dummy arguments
- New `SELECT RANK` construct for use in Fortran code
 - `RANK(n)`
 - `RANK(*)` for assumed-size array
 - `RANK DEFAULT`



DO CONCURRENT



DO CONCURRENT

- Replaces FORALL from Fortran 95
- Allows for parallelization, does not require it
- DO CONCURRENT *concurrent-header concurrent-locality block*
END DO
- *concurrent-header*: (*[type-spec::] control-list [, scalar-mask-expr]*)
- *control-list*: *index-name = limit : limit [: step]*
- Example: DO CONCURRENT (I=1:10, J=1:10, A(I) > 0.0 .AND. B(J) < 1.0)



DO CONCURRENT Locality Specifications

- Tells the compiler which variables are local to each iteration
- If a variable is not named, compiler can try to figure it out
- Choices:
 - LOCAL (*variable-name-list*)
 - LOCAL_INIT (*variable-name-list*)
 - SHARED (*variable-name-list*)
 - DEFAULT (NONE)



DO CONCURRENT Locality Example

```
real :: a(:), b(:), x
...
do concurrent (i=1:size(a)) local (x) shared (a,b)
  if (a(i) > 0) then
    x = sqrt(a(i))
    a(i) = a(i) - x**2
  end if
  b(i) = b(i) - a(i)
end do
...
```

Example from Modern Fortran Explained, 8th Edition



Coarrays



Summary of coarray model

- SPMD - Single Program, Multiple Data
- Replicated to a number of **images** (probably as executables)
- Number of images fixed during execution
- Each image has its own set of variables
- Coarrays are like ordinary variables but have second set of subscripts [] for access between images
- Images mostly execute asynchronously
- Synchronization: `sync all`, `sync images`, `lock`, `unlock`, `critical`
`construct`, `allocate`, `deallocate`
- Intrinsic: `this_image`, `num_images`, `image_index`



Examples of coarray syntax

```
real,save :: r[*], s[0:*) ! Scalar coarrays
real,save :: x(n)[*]      ! Array coarray
type(u),save :: u2(m,n)[np,*]
! Coarrays always have assumed cosize
! (equal to number of images)
real :: t                ! Local variable
integer p, q, index(n) ! Local variables
:
t = s[p]
x(:) = x(:)[p]
! Reference without [] is to local object
x(:)[p] = x(:)
u2(i,j)%b(:) = u2(i,j)[p,q]%b(:)
```



Implementation model

- Usually, each image resides on one core.
- However, several images may share a core (e.g. for debugging) and one image may execute on a node (e.g. with OpenMP).
- A coarray has the same set of bounds on all images, so the compiler may arrange that it occupies the same set of addresses within each image (known as ***symmetric memory***).
- This allows each image to calculate the memory address of an element on another image.



Synchronization

- The images execute asynchronously. If syncs are needed, the user supplies them explicitly.
- Barrier on all images
 - `sync all`
- Wait for others
 - `sync images (image-set)`
- Limit execution to one image at a time
 - `critical`
`block`
`end critical`
- These are known as **image control** statements



Execution segments

- On an image, the statements executed up to the first image control statement or after one and up to the next is known as a **segment**.
- For example, this code reads a value on image 1 and broadcasts it.

```
      :                               ! Segment 1
sync all                             ! Segment 1
if (this_image()==1) then            ! Segment 2
  read(*,*) p                         !      :
  do i = 2, num_images()              !      :
    p[i] = p                           !      :
  end do                               !      :
end if                                 !      :
sync all                             ! Segment 2
      :                               ! Segment 3
```



Execution segments (cont)

- The normal rules of statement execution on a single image and the synchronization statements together ensure a partial ordering of all the segments.
- **Important rule:** if a variable is defined in a segment, it must not be referenced, defined, or become undefined in a another segment unless the segments are ordered.
- It is up to the programmer to ensure this.



Dynamic coarrays

- Only dynamic form: the allocatable coarray.
- `real, allocatable :: a(:)[:], s[:,:]`
:
`allocate (a(n)[*], s[-1:p,0:*])`
- The bounds, cobounds, and length parameters must not vary between images.
- All images synchronize at an `allocate` or `deallocate` statement so that they can all perform their allocations and deallocations in the same order (for symmetric memory).



Coarray dummy arguments

- A dummy argument may be a coarray. It may be of explicit shape, assumed size, assumed shape, or allocatable.
- ```
subroutine subr(n,w,x,y,z)
 integer :: n
 real :: w(n)[n,*] ! Explicit shape
 real :: x(n,*)[*] ! Assumed size
 real :: y(:,:)[*] ! Assumed shape
 real, allocatable :: z(:)[:,:]
```
- There are rules to ensure that copy-in copy-out of a coarray is never needed.



# Structure components

- A coarray may be of a derived type with allocatable or pointer components.
- Provides a simple but powerful mechanism for cases where the size varies from image to image, avoiding loss of optimization.
- Pointers must have targets in their own image:
  - `q => z[i]%p` ! Not allowed
  - `allocate(z[i]%p)` ! Not allowed



# Teams

**In Fortran 2008, program images were uniformly numbered starting at 1**

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
| 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 32 |



# Teams

Teams allow splitting images into groups





# Teams

- Needed for independent computations on subsets of images.
- Code that has been written and tested on whole machine should run on a team.
- Therefore, image indices need to be relative to the team.
- Collective activities, including syncs and allocations, need to be relative to the team.





## team\_type and form team

- The intrinsic module `iso_fortran_env` contains a derived type `team_type`. A scalar object of this type identifies a team of images.
- The same `form team` statement must be executed on all images of a team to form subteams
- ```
form team(number,new_team)
```
- Images with the same value of `number` form a new team.
- All images of the current team synchronize.



change team construct

```
change team (team,local[*]=>coarray)
  ! Block executed as a team
  if(team_number()==1) then ! New intrinsic
    : ! Code for team 1
  else
    :
end team
```

- Associating `local` with `coarray` allows `corank` and `cobounds` to change. Other attributes are unchanged.
- The new teams synchronize at `change team` and `end team`.
- Changing teams is likely to be costly – avoid doing it often.



Accessing another team

```
real, save :: a(n)[*]
type(team_type) :: initial, block
initial = get_team() ! New intrinsic
i = ...
form team(i,block)
change team (block)
:
  sync team(initial) ! New statement
  a(k) = a(1)[me+1,team=initial]
end team
```



Collectives

- The collective subroutines are:
- `co_broadcast`, `co_max`, `co_min`, `co_sum`, `co_reduce`.
- Invoked by the same statement on all images of the team and involve synchronization within them, but not necessarily at start and end.
- The main argument is not required to be a coarray.



CO_REDUCE Example

```
SUBROUTINE co_all(boolean)
LOGICAL, INTENT(INOUT) :: Boolean
CALL CO_REDUCE(boolean,both)
```

CONTAINS

```
PURE FUNCTION both(lhs,rhs) RESULT(lhs_and_rhs)
LOGICAL, INTENT(IN) :: lhs,rhs
LOGICAL :: lhs_and_rhs
lhs_and_rhs = lhs .AND. rhs
END FUNCTION both
```

```
END SUBROUTINE co_all
```



Events

- Events are useful if one or more images need to do something before another image can continue.
- For example, in the multifrontal method for factorizing a sparse matrix, work at a node of the assembly tree has to wait for all the work at its child nodes to be completed.



Events

- An event variable is a scalar coarray of type `event_type`. It contains a count which increases by one each time the event is “posted”.

```
use iso_fortran_env
type(event_type), save :: event[*]
:
event post(event[i]) ! Atomic
:
if(this_image()==i) then
  event wait(event)
  ! Waits until count >= 1, then atomically
  ! decreases it by 1 and continues
```



Events Example (outline)

```
PROGRAM TREE
USE, INTRINSIC :: ISO FORTRAN ENV
INTEGER, ALLOCATABLE :: NODE (:) ! Tree nodes that this image handles.
INTEGER, ALLOCATABLE :: NC (:) ! NODE(I) has NC(I) children.
INTEGER, ALLOCATABLE :: PARENT (:), SUB (:)
! The parent of NODE (I) is NODE (SUB (I)) [PARENT (I)].
TYPE (EVENT_TYPE), ALLOCATABLE :: DONE (:) [:]
INTEGER :: I, J, STATUS
! Set up the tree, including allocation of all arrays.
DO I = 1, SIZE (NODE)
! Wait for children to complete
IF (NC (I) > 0) THEN
EVENT WAIT (DONE (I), UNTIL_COUNT=NC (I), STAT=STATUS)
IF (STATUS/=0) EXIT
END IF

! Process node, using data from children.
IF (PARENT (I)>0) THEN
! Node is not the root.
! Place result on image PARENT (I) for node NODE (SUB) [PARENT (I)]
! Tell PARENT (I) that this has been done.
EVENT POST (DONE (SUB (I)) [PARENT (I)], STAT=STATUS)
IF (STATUS/=0) EXIT
END IF
END DO
END PROGRAM TREE
```




failed_images intrinsic function

- `failed_images()`
 - Returns an integer array holding image indices of known failed images in the current team.
- `failed_images(team)`
 - Returns an integer array holding image indices of known failed images in `team`.



Testing for failed images in image control statements

```
parent = get_team()
change team (team_a)
  :
  sync_all(parent,stat=st)
  if (st==stat_failed_image) exit
end team
sync all(stat=st)
if (st==stat_failed_image) then
  : Deal with failure
end if
```



Testing for failed image in a remote reference

```
use iso_fortran_env
  :
a = b[image,stat=st]
if (st==stat_failed_image) then
  : Deal with failure
end if
```



Advantages of coarrays

- References to local data are obvious as such.
- Easy to maintain code - more concise than MPI and easy to see what is happening
- Integrated with Fortran - type checking, type conversion on assignment, ...
- The compiler can optimize communication
- Local optimizations still available
- Does not make severe demands on the compiler, e.g. for coherency.



Coarray Example

```
! This program demonstrates using Fortran coarrays to implement the classic  
! method of computing the mathematical value pi using a Monte Carlo technique.  
! A good explanation of this method can be found at:  
! http://www.mathcs.emory.edu/~cheung/Courses/170/Syllabus/07/compute-pi.html
```

```
program mcpi  
implicit none
```

```
! Declare kind values for large integers, single and double precision  
integer, parameter :: K_BIGINT = selected_int_kind(15)  
integer, parameter :: K_DOUBLE = selected_real_kind(15,300)
```

```
! Number of trials per image. The bigger this is, the better the result  
! This value must be evenly divisible by the number of images.  
integer(K_BIGINT), parameter :: num_trials = 1200000000_K_BIGINT
```

```
! Actual value of PI to 18 digits for comparison  
real(K_DOUBLE), parameter :: actual_pi = 3.141592653589793238_K_DOUBLE
```

```
! Declare scalar coarray that will exist on each image  
integer(K_BIGINT) :: total[*] ! Per-image subtotal
```

```
! Local variables  
real(K_DOUBLE) :: x,y  
real(K_DOUBLE) :: computed_pi  
integer :: I  
integer(K_BIGINT) :: bigi  
integer(K_BIGINT) :: clock_start,clock_end,clock_rate
```



Coarray Example (page 2)

```
! Image 1 initialization
if (THIS_IMAGE() == 1) then
  ! Make sure that num trials is divisible by the number of images
  if (MOD(num_trials,INT(NUM_IMAGES(),K_BIGINT)) /= 0_K_BIGINT) &
    error_stop "Number of trials not evenly divisible by number of images!"
  print '(A,I0,A,I0,A)', "Computing pi using ",num_trials, &
    " trials across ",NUM_IMAGES()," images"
  call SYSTEM_CLOCK(clock_start)
end if

! Set the initial random number seed to an unpredictable value, with a different
! sequence on each image.
call RANDOM_INIT (REPEATABLE=.FALSE.,IMAGE_DISTINCT=.TRUE.)

! Initialize our subtotal
total = 0_K_BIGINT

! Run the trials, with each image doing its share of the trials.
!
! Get a random X and Y and see if the position
! is within a circle of radius 1. If it is, add one to the subtotal
do bigi=1_K_BIGINT,num_trials/int(NUM_IMAGES(),K_BIGINT)
  call RANDOM_NUMBER(x); call RANDOM_NUMBER(y)
  if ((x*x)+(y*y) <= 1.0_K_DOUBLE) total = total + 1_K_BIGINT
end do

print *, "Image ", this_image(), " found ", total, " values"
```



Coarray Example (page 3)

```
! Wait for everyone  
sync all
```

```
! Image 1 end processing  
if (this_image() == 1) then  
  ! Sum all of the images' subtotals  
  do i=2,num_images()  
    total = total + total[i]  
  end do  
  
  ! total/num_trials is an approximation of pi/4  
  computed_pi = 4.0_K_DOUBLE*(REAL(total,K_DOUBLE)/REAL(num_trials,K_DOUBLE))  
  print '(A,G0.8,A,G0.3)', "Computed value of pi is ", computed_pi, &  
    ", Relative Error: ",ABS((computed_pi-actual_pi)/actual_pi)  
  
  ! Show elapsed time  
  call SYSTEM_CLOCK(clock_end,clock_rate)  
  print '(A,G0.3,A)', "Elapsed time is ", &  
    REAL(clock_end-clock_start)/REAL(clock_rate)," seconds"  
end if  
  
end program mcpi
```



Running the coarray example

```
Computing pi using 1200000000 trials across 12 images
Image 8 found 78545883 values
Image 11 found 78539293 values
Image 7 found 78538166 values
Image 6 found 78533956 values
Image 10 found 78541985 values
Image 12 found 78551690 values
Image 5 found 78536524 values
Image 9 found 78538020 values
Image 3 found 78541247 values
Image 4 found 78539400 values
Image 2 found 78535164 values
Image 1 found 78534353 values
```

Computed value of pi is 3.1415856, Relative Error: .224E-05

Elapsed time is 4.31 seconds



Fortran 202X



Future Revisions

- Next revision is informally called Fortran 202X
- Goal is to have it published no later than 2023
- Six-month survey of users 2017-2018
 - Results in WG5 document N2147
- After that, Fortran 202Y



Fortran 202X Features

(nn-*nnn* refers to papers at <https://j3-fortran.org/>)

- Add optional argument to C_F_POINTER to specify lower bounds (19-238r1)
- Longer source lines and statement length (19-138r1)
 - Require reporting of ignored characters after line length limit, if any (19-149r1)
- Trigonometric functions in degrees (SIND, COSD, etc.) (19-203r1)
- Trigonometric functions scaled by π (SINPI, COSPI, etc.) (19-204r1)
- SELECTED_LOGICAL_KIND intrinsic (19-147r1)
- LOGICAL_{nn} constants in ISO_FORTRAN_ENV (19-139r1)



Fortran 202X Features Continued

- SPLIT function splits strings into tokens based on separators (19-254r1)
- C_F_STRPTR and F_C_STRING for help with C strings (19-197r3)
- AT format specifier for trimming strings (19-137r2)
- Format control over leading zeros for reals (19-156r1)
- Allow arrays of derived type with coarray components (19-250r1)
- Put with notify for coarrays (19-259r1)
- Automatically allocate deferred-length character in internal WRITE and IOMSG/ERRMSG (19-252r2)



Fortran 202X Features Continued

- Reduction specifier in DO CONCURRENT (19-255r2)
- Allow BOZ constants in more places (19-256r2)
- SIMPLE procedures are PURE with more restrictions (19-201r1)
- TYPEOF, CLASSOF intrinsics to help with generic programming (19-142r1)
- Rank-agnostic allocation and pointer assignment (20-120r1)
- BOUNDS() and RANK() specifiers for DIMENSION attribute (19-202r2)
- Rank-agnostic array notation (20-144r2)



Approved F202X Features not yet finished

- Protected components (20-106)
- Typed enumerators (19-249r1)
- Conditional expressions
- Short-circuit logical operators (18-239)
- Variant of INTENT that applies to a pointer target (18-144r1)



More Information

- WG5 web site <https://wg5-fortran.org>
 - Documents > N2161 The New Features of Fortran 2018
 - Fortran Standards > Fortran 2018
- J3 (PL22.3) web site <https://j3-fortran.org>
 - Repository for papers related to technical content of the standard
 - 18-007r1 is the committee reference for Fortran 2018
- Doctor Fortran blog <https://stevlionel.com/drfortran>
- Ideas for future revisions https://github.com/j3-fortran/fortran_proposals
- Fortran Discourse <https://fortran-lang.discourse.group/>



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