Contents

Welcome to T. This is an easy to learn, user friendly, high level, computer programming language. T is more like natural English than most other computer languages and this makes a T program both easy to write and easy to understand.

Help contains a tutorial on the T computer language, and operating instructions for the interpreter.

Getting started

This topic introduces you to the usage of the T interpreter. It shows you how to enter, debug, and run a program.

writing a T program

Every T program is a sequence of declarations and statements that begins and ends within a program module. The following is a complete program:

```
program
    put "Hello!"
end program
```

It is made up of key words, literals, special symbols, and standard subprograms. In the example above, **put** is a key word, " is a special symbol, and `Hello!` is a literal string.

A T program is modular. The program module defines both the start and end of a program. All executable statements are contained within this module or within subprogram modules. Subprograms, procedures and functions, are used to create a program from small manageable pieces. T allows you to define procedure modules and function modules as needed for your programs.

The T programming language supports a variety of data types. You may declare named variables and named constants; you may define your own data type using a type definition. T has only two numerical data types; integers and floating point numbers. It has a boolean type, a character type, and a string type. It supports an array type, a record type and a union type which you the programmer define. Global variable declarations and data type definitions must be located outside of the program and any subprogram modules. Declarations are limited to the scope in which they are defined. This means that a variable named `number` declared as a global is not the same as the variable `number` declared within a subprogram.

comments and white space

Comments, together with white space (spaces between symbols and blank lines) make a program easier to read and understand. This is important if you want to show your program to someone else or use it again yourself at some future time. T is a free form language. As long as the words and symbols are in the correct order, a program will run correctly. It is up to you to make a program easy to read and understand. Some programmers find that it is helpful to add comments and to name data and subroutines in such a way that each step of the debugger is easily understood.

comment symbol

The character % indicates that all following text to the end of the line is a comment and not part of the program

first program

This is an example of a simple program which you can use to try out the T interpreter:

```
const x := 2
const y := 4

program

    var sum : int

    sum := x + y
    put x, " +", y, " =", sum

end program
```

Enter this program, and using the instructions which follow. The first step is to open a new file using the File-New command.

source files

Enter the sample program into the editor. After you have finished use the File-Saveas command to save your program. Type a name for your program; how about `first.t`? Note the `.t`; this is the file name extension used by the editor to identify a program's source files. Press <Enter> when you've finished. At the top of the edit window, the `no_name#.t` should disappear and be replaced with the name you typed.

project file

Next you must create a project file. Using the editor, create a file containing the name of the file just created. Save this file with a file name in the form *`projname.prt`* using the File-Saveas command. The project file should contain a list of program files which makes up a program. This feature allows you to create multiple source file programs.

running a T program

Load the project file with the Project-Load command; this will enable the commands which allow you to run and debug your programs. Now use the Project-Run command or the <F9> function key to run the program. The editor will start the interpreter in its run mode. The interpreter parses all the files listed in the project file and runs the program. Text output is directed to a *`projname.out`* file which you can edit and save.

debugging a T program

Load a project using the Project-Load command and use the Project-Step command or the

<F7> function key to start the interpreter in its debugging mode. If you entered correct code you should see one of your files with a bar highlighting the first executable line.

If you entered incorrect code you will see a list of errors displayed in a dialog box. Using the mouse to select error messages will show you where the errors are. Each line containing an error message shows the file and location of the error using the following format:

```
filename.ext [line:column] description
```

Let's assume that either you entered the program correctly or you corrected any errors and started the interpreter again in the debugging mode. Press the <F7> function key. The highlight will jump to the next line containing a statement. Keep doing this until the interpreter reaches the end of the program. Each line containing an executable statement was highlighted.

The other debug command, Project-Step or function key <F8>, allows you to step over a function or procedure you defined in your program rather than tracing into it. Use of this command may save you some time in debugging a large program.

language features for debugging

Three features to make it easier for you to debug your programs.

The assert statement has the form:

```
assert boolean expression
```

If the *boolean expression* is **false** during program execution the program is halted. This program fragment would terminate a program because of invalid data:

```
get x             % from console
assert x > 0.0    % if false, halt
put sqrt( x )     % do if true
```

The break statement has the form:

```
break
```

It unconditionally interupts processing and displays the trace line at the corresponding line of the source file. You may resume processing by using the Run, Trace, or Step command.

The watch procedure allows you to observe variables while debugging a program. It is written as a statement in a program with the form:

```
watch( expression )
```

When the interpreter is in the debug mode, the value of the *expression* is displayed on the screen.

File menu commands

New
Keyboard command: Alt+F N
Hot key: Ctrl+N
Opens a new document window with a default title and makes it the active window.

Open...
Keyboard command: Alt+F O
Hot key: Ctrl+O
Allows you to select and open an existing file. The just opened file will be made the active window.

Save
Keyboard command: Alt+F S
Hot key: Ctrl+S
Saves the file in the currently active window to disk. The file remains open so you can continue working on it.

Save As...
Keyboard command: Alt+F A
Allows you to name a new file or save an existing file under a new name or to a different directory. The original file is not changed. The file remains open so you can continue working on it.

Print...
Keyboard command: Alt+F P
Hot key: Ctrl+P
Allows you to print the file in the active window.

Exit
Keyboard command: Alt+F X
Closes open files and quits the T interpreter application. You can save open files before quitting.

Main menu commands

The T interpreter functions within a multiple document editor. A set of menu commands allows you to control the editor as well as the interpreter.

subtopics:

Looping and jumping

The T programming language provides several statements that control the sequence of program execution. Each of these control statements must be used entirely within the program module or a subprogram module.

exit statements

An exit statement has the form:

```
exit [when boolean expression]
```

and is allowed only within a loop statement or a for statement. The exit statement causes program execution to jump to the first statement after the nearest enclosing loop or for statement. If the optional key word **when** is present, the jump is conditional and occurs only if the *boolean expression* is **true**.

continue statements

A continue statement has the form:

```
continue [when boolean expression]
```

and, as above, is allowed only within a loop statement or a for statement. The continue statement causes program execution to jump to the first statement in the nearest enclosing loop or for statement. If the optional key word **when** is present, the jump is conditional and occurs only if the *boolean expression* is true.

loop statements

The loop control statement has the form:

```
loop
      declarations and statements
end loop
```

Program execution jumps to the first statement in the loop body on reaching end loop. Note that, by itself, a loop statement is infinite; that is, it will continue indefinitely unless stopped by some other statement. An exit statement terminates the nearest enclosing loop. Declarations made within a loop are visible only within the loop body. An example:

```
program

    var number : int := 0

    loop
```

```
        incr number
        exit when number > 4
        continue when number = 2
        put number

    end loop

end program
```

for statements

The for control statement is written as:

```
    for [decreasing] name := begin...end do
        declarations and statements
    end for
```

The range following the ":=" defines the beginning and ending values of the count variable name. The count limits begin and end must be integer expressions. The loop's statement list is executed once for each valid value of the count variable which is incremented by one or, if **decreasing** is included, decremented by one before repeating the statement list. As above, an exit statement can be used to terminate the loop. Declarations made within the for statement are not visible outside of the statement. An example:

```
program

    var number : int := 0
    var i : int

    for i := 1...5 do

        decr number
        continue when number = -3
        put number

    end for

end program
```

if statements

An if control statement has the form:

```
    if boolean expression then
        declarations and statements
```

```
{elsif boolean expression then
      declarations and statements}
[else
      declarations and statements]
 end if
```

The *boolean expression* for each branch is evaluated until one of them is true. The statements in the branch are executed until a closing **elsif**, **else**, or **end if** is reached. If no *boolean expression* is true then the statements following **else**, if present, are executed. The program resumes at the first statement after **end if**. An example:

```
program

    prompt "Enter test score:"
    loop

        var mark : int

        get mark
        exit when mark < 0
        if mark > 100 then
            put "Invalid"
        elsif mark >= 93 then
            put 'A'
        elsif mark >= 85 then
            put 'B'
        elsif mark >= 78 then
            put 'C'
        elsif mark >= 70 then
            put 'D'
        else
            put 'F'
        end if

    end loop

end program
```

<u>case statements</u>

A case control statement has the form:

```
 case expression of
     value constant{, constant} :
          declarations and statements
    {value constant{, constant} :
```

```
            declarations and statements }
        [value :
            declarations and statements ]
    end case
```

The *expression* and each *constant* must be of matching type of either integer, character, string, or an enumerated type. Declarations made within a branch are not visible outside the branch. The *expression* is evaluated and compared with each constant of each branch until one of them is true. The statements in the branch are executed until another **value** or **end case** is reached. If no match is found then the statements following an optional **value** without a *constant* are executed. The program resumes at the first statement after **end case**. An example:

```
program

    var word : string

    put "enter a word from:"
    put "the rain in spain"
    prompt "enter a word:"
    loop

        get word

        case word of
            value "the", "rain", "in":
                put "ok"
            value "spain":
                put "done"
                exit
            value:
                put "not ok"
        end case

    end loop

end program
```

goto statements

The goto statement causes an unconditional jump from one point in a list of statements to a named location. Jumps must be entirely within a program or subprogram module. In order to use a goto statement, a name of the location to jump to must be declared using the form:

```
    label name :    % no type!
```

The goto statement can then be coded as:

```
goto name       % from here
   .
   .
   .
name :          % to here
```

This statement can be used to simplify your code by enabling jumps out of deeply nested logic or by creating jumps to a single point of return from a subprogram. The goto statement can also be used to make your program difficult to understand.

union keyword

usage

union
item{, *item*} : *type specification*
{*item*{, *item*} : *type specification*}
end union

remarks

Keyword is used to declare a union of data items. To access elements of a union, use the item selector "." between a variable name and the *item*.

see also

Working with data

break keyword

usage

break

remarks

Interrupts program execution and displays the corresponding line in the source file.

see also

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decr keyword

usage

decr *name*

remarks

Used to decrease the value of *name* by 1; *name* must be the identifier of a variable integer.

see also

incr
Working with data

Working with data

The T programming language supports several kinds of data; literal constants, named constants and named variables. Constants and variables must be declared before they are used. This is done with a declaration statement. You may use any of the standard data types:

```
int
real
boolean
char
string
```

or a data type you define in your program using one of these declaration key words:

```
enum
array
record
union
```

literals

A literal integer is written as a sequence of digits. A + or - operator can optionally precede the first digit:

```
123
-46
```

A literal real number, that is, one written into your source code, begins and ends with a digit and must contain a decimal point. A + or - can precede the first digit. The following forms are valid:

```
-9.954
 7.43e-4
```

These forms of real numbers are invalid:

```
 .97
9.
```

A literal string is a sequence of characters between a pair of quotation marks:

```
"The rain in Spain falls mainly on the plain."
```

A literal character is a single character between a pair of apostrophes:

```
't'
```

identifiers

Every constant and variable you declare must be identified with a *name*. The T computer programming language is case sensitive, a variable named "sum" is not the same variable as one named "Sum". The maximum length of a *name* is 64 characters. A *name* can be made from letters, digits, and the underscore character "_" but must start with a letter.

variable declarations

The declaration of a variable uses the key word **`var`** and has the following form:

`var` *name*`{,` *name*`}` **`:`** *type specification* `[:=` *expression*`]`

Each *name* in the list is declared with the same *type specification* and is optionally initialized to the same *expression* value.

constant declarations

The declaration of a constant uses the key word **`const`** and has this form:

`const` *name* **`:`** *type specification* **`:=`** *expression*

The syntax of a constant declaration is similar to that of a variable declaration; however, only one *name* at a time is declared. A constant must be initialized when it is declared.

type declarations

A type declaration creates a *name* for a data type which you may use elsewhere in a program to declare a variable or a constant with name as the type specification. The declaration of a data type takes this form:

`type` *name* **`:`** *type specification*

in which *type specification* can be one of the standard types. For example this declares a data type named `index`:

```
type index : int
```

expressions

Expressions are used as arguments in many program statements; they are used in assignment statements, decision statements, and as arguments in subprogram calls. An *expression* returns a numerical value, a boolean value, an enumerated value, a character, or a string. They do not return entire arrays, records, or unions. An *expression* can be one of:

a. *name*

b. *literal constant*
c. *expression operator expression*
d. *operator expression*
e. (*expression*)

Form (a) must represent a value from one of the standard data types or an enumeration. The name may represent a constant, an initialized variable, or a function. Form (b) can represent any of the standard data types. Forms (c), (d), and (e) allow evaluation of complex arithmetic and boolean expressions.

assignments

Assignment statements have the form:

name `:=` *expression*

The *name* on the left hand side of `:=` must be for a variable of standard type or a standard type item of a user defined data type. The *expression* must be compatible with *name*, i.e., both sides of the symbol `:=` must have the identical data type except when an integer is assigned to a real number variable.

The assignment statement is used to assign a new value to a variable. An assignment statement closely resembles an equation:

```
sum := x + y
```

In a computer program, this means that the value of the *expression* `x + y` is to be assigned to the memory location identified by `sum` which is its name. The assignment operator is the symbol `:=`. It causes the memory location identified to the left of it to be assigned the value of the *expression* to the right.

An assignment statement is not an equality. Consider a statement used frequently in repetitive computer operations:

```
x := x + 1
```

What happens to the value of `x` when this statement executes?

numerical data

Only integers and real numbers are available in the T language. A constant number is declared as follows:

```
const i : int := 0
const pi : real := 3.14159
```

A variable number does not need to be initialized when declared; but can be:

```
var s : real
var i, j, k : int

% both are initialized
var a, b : real := 1.0
```

The following operators may be used in numerical expressions:

+	integer or real addition
-	integer or real subtraction
*	integer or real multiplication
/	real division (result is real)
div	integer quotient
mod	integer remainder
^	integer or real exponentiation

In numerical expressions, the order of operations is from left to right for all but exponentiation. Exponentiation has the highest precedence; next is the group: `* / mod div` and last is the group: `+ -`. Operations within enclosing parentheses occur before operations outside.

For example, a numerical expression would be evaluated as follows:

```
4 + 9 div 2 * ( 9 - 11 mod 3 ^ 2 )
4 + 9 div 2 * ( 9 - 11 mod 9 )
4 + 9 div 2 * ( 9 - 2 )
4 + 9 div 2 * 7
4 + 4 * 7
4 + 28
32
```

A numerical expression reduces to either a real number or to an integer. An integer value may be assigned to a real variable; however, a real value may not be assigned to a variable declared as an integer. This is to prevent loss of information.

Integers may be increased or decreased by 1 with the increment and decrement operators. They only operate on integer variables. For example:

```
var i, j : int := 0

incr i    % increment i by one
decr j    % decrement j by one
```

<u>boolean data</u>

A Boolean variable is limited to the range of **true** or **false**. The keywords **true** and **false** are boolean constants. The following declarations are valid:

```
var flag : boolean
var result, done : boolean := false
```

The following Boolean operators are available in the T interpreter:

and	logical and
nand	not and
or	or
nor	not or
xor	exclusive or
not	invert

The operator **not** is a unary operator and has higher precedence than the operators **and** and **nand** which have higher precedence than **or**, **nor**, and **xor**.

Comparison operators accept integer, real, character, or string operands and return **true** if the comparison is satisfied, otherwise they return **false**:

=	equal to
~=	not equal to
>	greater than
>=	greater than or equal to
<	less than
<=	less than or equal to

A comparison of two data items is a boolean factor and may be used as an operand in a *boolean expression*. A boolean value may be assigned only to a boolean variable. Boolean variables are often used in logical statements which control program execution. The following shows a boolean assignment:

```
singular := det = 0.0
```

string data

Strings are a sequence of text characters. A string may be up to 255 characters long. The end of a string is marked by a null byte. The interpreter appends this marker automatically in many of its functions. If a program you write inserts individual characters into a string, you could inadvertently overwrite the end character with unpredictable results.

String expressions may use the concatenation operator `&` to concatenate a sequence of strings by joining the end string on the left of operator to the beginning of the string to the right.

A string expression may be assigned only to a string variable. The following program uses string assignments:

```
const wmsg : string := "Welcome to T, "
var message : string
var name : string

program

    prompt "Hi, what's your name? "
    get name
    message := wmsg & name & "!"
    put message

end program
```

The functions `intstr`, `realstr`, `erealstr`, and `frealstr` convert numbers into formatted strings and may be used in string expressions. Note that characters may not be concatenated into strings.

character data

Characters are individual text characters. They can be declared as follows:

```
var input : char
const one : char := '1'
```

You can assign several non-text characters to strings and to character data by using a preceding backslash character:

`\"`	embedded quote
`\'`	embedded apostrophe
`\\`	embedded backslash
`\b, \B`	back space
`\f, \F`	form feed
`\n, \N`	new line
`\t, \T`	tab
`\0`	null (end of string character)

A character may be assigned only to a character variable. For example, this program fragment:

```
var msg : string

msg[ 0 ] := 'H'
msg[ 1 ] := 'i'
msg[ 2 ] := '\0'
```

initializes the variable string `msg`. Note that the string is terminated by a null character. An individual character in a string may be accessed using an indexed form of the string variable name. The following statements are valid:

```
% get first character
input := name[ 0 ]

% set fifth character
msg[ 4 ] := 't'
```

The standard function `ord` accepts a character and returns an integer. Its inverse is the function `chr` which converts an integer into a character.

enumerated data

An enumeration *type specification* is declared using the key word **`enum`** with the syntax:

`type` *name* **`: enum`**`[` *item*`{, ` *item*`} ]`

The items are valued sequentially and increasing. Example:

```
type color : enum[ red, yellow, green ]
var light : color := color.green
```

Note that enumerated items are identified using the dot operator.

name`.`*item*

arrays of data

An array type specification is declared using the key words **`array`** and **`of`** with the syntax:

`array``[` *index*`{, ` *index*`} ]` **`of`** *type specification*

Where each *index* must be an *integer expression*. Array indices are zero based. Example, for:

```
var A : array[ 2, 2] of real
```

valid identifiers for `A` are:

```
A[ 0, 0]  A[ 0, 1]
A[ 1, 0]  A[ 1, 1]
```

records of data

A record type specification is declared using the key words **record** and **end** with the syntax:

```
record
      item{, item} : type specification
     {item{, item}}: type specification
end record
```

A record *item* is identified using the dot operator:

name.*item*

where *name* is the identifier of a constant or a variable. Each *item* has a distinct memory location. Example:

```
var pt : record
             x, y, z : real
         end record

r := sqrt( pt.x^2 + pt.y^2 + pt.z^2 )
```

unions of data

A union type specification is declared using the key words **union** and **end** with the syntax:

```
union
     item{, item} : type specification
    {item{, item}}: type specification
end union
```

Unlike a record declaration, the items in a union occupy the same memory location. Your program must keep track of the current type of data stored in a union. Unpredictable results can occur if you access data in a union incorrectly. Like a record, a union item is also identified using the dot operator:

name.*item*

precedence of operators

The order of precedence determines which operations occur first in an expression; the highest is first, the lowest last. The order of precedence for all operators from highest to lowest is:

```
      ^
      +     -       (as unary operators)
      *     /       div  mod
```

```
+     -      &
=     ~=     <     <=     >     >=
not
and   nand
or    nor    xor
```

prompt keyword

usage

prompt *string expression*

remarks

Keyword is used to set the prompt string in the get dialog box which is used when entering data from the console.

example

```
program

    var i : int

    prompt "enter i: "
    get i
    put "i = ", i, ", i^2 = ", i * i

end program
```

see also

get
Some input and output

Source code

The T Interpreter was developed using the C programming language and uses the Windows 3.1 Application Programming Interface. If you purchase the source code from the copyright owner, the author below, you will have a right to use, or modify the source files for the T interpreter in any way you find useful, provided that you agree that the copyright owner, the author, has no warranty, obligations or liability for any of the source files for the T interpreter.

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Using subprograms

It is almost always necessary to use subprogram modules so that your programs are easy to understand and maintain. There are two distinct types of subprogram modules. A procedure is a statement by itself. A function returns a value for use in expression evaluation.

subprogram calls

A call to a subprogram has the form:

name`[(`*argument*`{, ` *argument*`})]`

Program execution jumps to the subprogram declaration. The call passes each *argument* to the subprogram. Upon completion of the statement list in a subprogram's body, program execution returns to the point immediately after the call.

An example:

```
x := square( 7 )
```

subprogram arguments

The *arguments* used in a subprogram call must be compatible with the *parameters* defined in a subprogram declaration. Arguments are passed to a subprogram either by value or by reference. Arguments passed by value cannot be changed by the subprogram. This means that a variable used as an argument will have the same value before and after the subprogram call it was used in. When an argument is passed by reference, the address of the argument is given to the subprogram. In this case, a variable used as an argument may have a different value before and after the subprogram call.

All standard data types can be passed by value. However, data structures, arrays, records, and unions, cannot be passed by value to a subprogram. For example, if you need to perform an operation on an array, you can pass the address of the entire array to a subprogram by reference.

A *parameter* list is a list of variable declarations used in the subprogram. It has this form:

`[`**`var`**`]` *name*`{, ` *name*`}` **`:`** *type specification*

The key word **`var`** is used in a subprogram header to declare that each *name* in a *parameter* list is passed by reference. Its omission means that each *name* in a *parameter* list is passed by value.

return statements

Procedures may optionally contain a return statement of the form:

```
return
```

Functions, however, must contain at least one return statement having the form:

```
return expression
```

The *expression*'s type must be compatible with the function's return type. The action of a return statement is always immediate. A subprogram may contain more than one return statement.

procedure declarations

The declaration of a procedure takes the following form:

```
procedure name[(parameter{, parameter})]
    declarations and statements
end procedure
```

Declarations of variables or constants within the procedure body are only visible within the procedure.

A procedure is a program statement. Program execution will resume at the next statement after a procedure call. Program execution returns from a procedure upon reaching the end of the procedure's statement list or by the action of a return statement anywhere in the body of the procedure.

An example of a procedure declaration:

```
procedure put_square( value : real )
    put value*value
end procedure
```

function declarations

The declaration of a function is similar to that of a procedure:

```
function name[(parameter{, parameter})] : type specification
    declarations and statements
end function
```

The differences are that a return type must be specified after the list of parameters as shown above and that a function must return a value using a return statement.

Declarations of variables or constants within the function body are only visible within the function.

Functions are used in expressions. Program execution returns to the point in the expression

after a function call. Program execution returns from a function upon reaching a return statement anywhere in the body of the function.

An example of a function declaration:

```
function square( value : real ) : real
    return value^2
end function
```

The T language includes the following standard functions and procedures to help you write useful programs:

mathematical functions

arccos	arc cosine
arcsin	arc sine
arctan	arc tangent
arctanxy	arc tangent of Cartesian coordinates
ceil	real to integer above
cos	cosine
cosh	hyperbolic cosine
exp	power of natural logarithm base ε
floor	real to integer below
getexp	exponent base 10 of argument
ln	natural (base ε) logarithm
log10	base 10 logarithm
rand	real random number in range 0.0 to 1.0
randint	integer random number in range of arguments
randomize	changes seed of random number generator
randseed	set random seed
round	real to nearest integer
setexp	set exponent base 10 to a new value
sign	integer sign (+/-1) of real
sin	sine
sinh	hyperbolic sine
sqrt	square root
tan	tangent
tanh	hyperbolic tangent

string and character functions

Functions in this group perform operations on strings and characters.

chr	integer to character
erealstr	real to string, exponent format

frealstr	real to string, floating point format
index	location of sub string
intstr	integer to string
length	length of string
ord	character to integer
realstr	real to string, default formats
repeat	repeated sub strings
strint	string to integer
strreal	string to real number

file system access

These functions provide access to hard and floppy disk files.

close	closes an open disk file
eof	indicates when the end of a file is reached
open	opens a disk file

Language reference

This topic contains descriptions of key words, special symbols, standard functions, and standard procedures used in the T programming language.

conventions

Bracketed [*item*] items are optional. Items in braces {*item*} are optional and may be repeated. Italicized *items* are elements of code determined by the programmer. A bar | means that either the word on the right or the word on the left is applicable.

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incr keyword

usage

incr *name*

remarks

Used to increase the value of *name* by 1; *name* must be the identifier of a variable integer.

see also

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Some input and output

Input and output is provided by means of put and get statements to the output window and to disk files.

put statements

The complete definition of the put statement is:

put [:*stream*,] *put item*{, *put item*}[...]

It is used for output of text data to files or the video display of your console. The value of *stream* must match an integer value obtained with the standard function `open`. If *stream* is omitted, the output is sent to the console for video display. A *put item* has the form:

expression [:*width*[:*fraction width*[:*exponent width*]]]

The *expression* can be of any standard type except boolean. The value of *width* is the total number of characters in the put item. Strings are left justified; numbers are right justified. The *fraction width* and *exponent width* options are for writing a number in a real number format. If a specified format is too small, the actual format width is increased to accommodate the item.

The optional ellipses `"..."` symbol inhibits adding a new line after the last put item. Some examples:

```
put "hi":8
put 0.001:12:4:2
put 99:4

const pi : real := 3.1415926535

put pi
put pi:12
put pi:16:8:2
```

prompt statements

The prompt statement may be used to set a global prompt message. Once set the message is displayed each time a get statement is used for console input. It has the form:

prompt *string expression*

get statements

The complete definition of a get statement is:

get [:*stream*,] *get item*{, *get item*}

It is used for input of text data from files or the console. The value of *stream* must match an integer value obtained with the standard function `open`. If *stream* is omitted, the input obtained by keyboard entry. A *get item* is one of:

a. *name*
b. *name* : *
c. *name* : *width*

Form (a) is used for token input; the root type of the get item's identifier can be integer, real, or string. This form skips white space until an initial character indicates the start of a token. Form (b) is used for line input and reads up to an end of line symbol. Form (c) reads *width* characters. The identifiers in forms (b) and (c) can only be string type. Some examples:

```
get your_name
get characters : 8
```

file access functions

The standard functions `open`, `close`, and `eof` provide access to files on disk. Files may be opened to read from or to write to. The following program fragment shows how these standard functions may be used in a program:

```
var file : int
var filename : string := "a_file.txt"

file := open( filename, "r" )
if file = 0 then
    put "file not found:  ", filename
else
    loop
        exit when eof( file )
        get :file, buffer : *
        put buffer
        buffer := ""
    end loop
    if close( file ) = 0 then
        put "file close error"
    end if
end if
```

arccos standard function

usage

arccos(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the real arc cosine of *expression* in units of radians. The value of *expression* must be in the range -1.0 to +1.0 or a run-time error will occur.

example

```
% return arc secant
function arcsec( x : real ) : real

    var r : real

    if x >= 1.0 then
        r := arccos( 1 / x )
    elsif x <= -1.0 then
        r := -arccos( 1 / x )
    else
        r := 0.0
    end if

    return r

end function
```

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arcsin standard function

usage

arcsin(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the real arc sine of *expression* in units of radians. The value of *expression* must be in the range -1.0 to +1.0 or a run-time error will occur.

example

```
const Pi : real := 2 * arcsin( 1 )

% return arc cosecant
function arccsc( x : real ) : real

    var r : real

    if x >= 1.0 then
        r := arcsin( 1 / x )
    elsif x <= -1.0 then
        r := -Pi - arcsin( 1 / x )
    else
        r := 0.0
    end if

    return r

end function
```

see also

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Window menu commands

Window management commands for the multiple document editor.

Cascade
Keyboard command: Alt+W C
Hot key: Shift+F5
Arranges the open source files into a cascade.

Tile horizontal
Keyboard command: Alt+W H
Hot key: Shift+F4
Arranges the open source files into horizontal tiles if space permits.

Tile vertical
Keyboard command: Alt+W T
Arranges the open source files into vertical tiles if space permits.

Arrange icons
Keyboard command: Alt+W I
Arranges the icons of open source files into regularly spaced rows.

Switch
Keyboard command: Alt+W S
Hot key: Ctrl+F6
Switches focus from one open source file to another open source file.

Close all
Keyboard command: Alt+W A
Closes all of the open source files.

and keyword

usage

boolean expression **and** *boolean expression*

remarks

Operator returns a boolean value:

x	y	x **and** y
false	**false**	**false**
false	**true**	**false**
true	**false**	**false**
true	**true**	**true**

see also

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arctan standard function

usage

arctan(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the real arc tangent of *expression* in units of radians in the range of -pi/2 to pi/2.

example

```
const Pi : real := 2 * arcsin( 1 )

% calculate hyperbolic <-> circular parameter
function gudermannian( x : real ) : real

    var r : real

    r := 2 * arctan( exp( x ) ) - Pi / 2

    return r

end function
```

see also

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arctanxy standard function

usage

arctanxy(*x* : **real**, *y* : **real**) : **real**

remarks

Function returns the real arc tangent of *y/x* in units of radians in the range of -pi to pi. If both *x* and *y* are 0.0 a run-time error will occur.

example

```
const Pi : real := 2 * arcsin( 1 )

% return heading in degrees
function heading( e, n : real ) : real

    var hdg : real

    hdg := 90 - 180 * arctanxy( e, n ) / Pi

    if hdg < 0.0 then
        hdg := hdg + 360
    end if

    return hdg

end function
```

see also

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array keyword

usage

array[*size*{, *size* }] **of** *type specification*

remarks

Keyword is used for specifying a data type as an array of *type specification*. Array indices, *size*, must be constant integer expressions.

see also

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assert keyword

usage

assert *boolean expression*

remarks

Keyword is used to conditionally continue execution of a program. If *boolean expression* is false the program halts.

see also

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boolean keyword

usage

var *name* **: boolean**

remarks

Standard data type specifier. Boolean data can have a value of either **true** or **false**.

see also

Working with data

case keyword

usage

case *expression* **of**
    value *constant*{**,** *constant*} **:**
        declarations and statements
    {**value** *constant*{**,** *constant*} **:**
        declarations and statements}
    [**value :**
        declarations and statements]
end case

remarks

The *expression* and each *constant* must be of matching types of **int**, **string**, **char**, or **enum**. One **value** not having a *constant* may be placed at the end of the sequence of case values as a default branch.

see also

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ceil standard function

usage

ceil(*expression* **: real**) **: int**

remarks

Function returns the smallest integer greater than or equal to *expression*.

example

```
% find absolute ceiling of number
function abs_ceil( x : real ) : int

    var r : int

    if x >= 0.0 then
        r := ceil( x )
    else
        r := floor( x )
    end if

    return r

end function
```

see also

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char keyword

usage

const *name* **:** **char** := '*literal character*'
var *name* **:** **char**

remarks

Standard data type specifier for characters.

see also

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chr standard function

usage

chr(*expression* **: int**) **: char**

remarks

Function returns a character corresponding to the integer value of *expression*.

example

```
procedure list_characters

    var i, j, n : int

    for i := 2...7 do
        for j := 0...15 do
            n := i * 16 + j
            put n, " - ", chr( n )
        end for
    end for

end procedure
```

see also

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close standard function

usage

close(*stream* : **int**) : **int**

remarks

Function closes the file associated with *stream*. Returns *stream* on success or else 0.

example

```
% copy text files
function copy( d : string,
               s : string ) : boolean

    var df, sf : int
    var line : string

    sf := open( s, "r" )
    df := open( d, "w" )

    if sf = 0 or
       df = 0 then
        return false
    end if

    loop
        exit when eof( sf )
        get : sf, line : *
        put : df, line
    end loop

    if close( sf ) = 0 or
       close( df ) = 0 then
        put "file close error"
        return false
    else
        return true
    end if

end function
```

see also

eof

const keyword

usage

const *name* **:** *type specification* **:=** *constant expression*

remarks

Keyword is used to declare a constant. The *constant expression* may not include any names of variables.

see also

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continue keyword

usage

continue [**when** *boolean expression*]

remarks

Used to jump to the start of the nearest enclosing **for** or **loop** statement. Jump is immediate unless the optional **when** condition is included.

see also

Looping and jumping

cos standard function

usage

cos(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the cosine of *expression*. The value of *expression* is assumed to be in units of radians.

example

```
% return secant
function sec( x : real ) : real

    return 1 / cos( x )

end function
```

see also

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cosh standard function

usage

cosh(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the hyperbolic cosine of *expression*. The value of *expression* is assumed to be in units of radians.

example

```
% return hyperbolic secant
function sech( x : real ) : real

    return 1 / cosh( x )

end function
```

see also

sinh
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decreasing keyword

usage

for decreasing *name* := *begin*...*end* **do**

remarks

The keyword indicates that the **for** loop counter decrements by one on each repeat of the loop.

see also

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div keyword

usage

integer expression **div** *integer expression*

remarks

Operator returns the quotient for integer division. The result type is integer.

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do keyword

usage

for *name* := *begin*...*end* **do**

see also

for
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elsif keyword

usage

elsif *boolean expression* **then**
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else keyword

usage

else
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end if

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end keyword

usage

end loop
end for
end if
end case
end function
end program
end procedure
end record
end union

remarks

Used to mark the end of logic statements, data structure definitions, and subprograms.

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eof standard function

usage

eof(*stream* : **int**) : **boolean**

remarks

Function returns **true** if the end of the file corresponding to *stream* has been reached. The value of *stream* is normally obtained using the "open" function.

example

```
% copy text files
function copy( d : string,
               s : string ) : boolean

    var df, sf : int
    var line : string

    sf := open( s, "r" )
    df := open( d, "w" )

    if sf = 0 or
       df = 0 then
        return false
    end if

    loop
        exit when eof( sf )
        get : sf, line : *
        put : df, line
    end loop

    if close( sf ) = 0 or
       close( df ) = 0 then
        put "file close error"
        return false
    else
        return true
    end if

end function
```

see also

enum keyword

usage

type *name* **: enum**[*item* {**,** *item* }]

remarks

Used to define an enumerated data type. The value of each *item* increases to the right. Values are accessed using the form:

name.item

see also

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erealstr standard function

usage

```
erealstr( expression : real,
          format width : int,
          fraction width : int,
          exponent width : int ) : string
```

remarks

Function returns a string of the form:

{*blank*}[-]*digit*.{*digit*} e *sign digit*{*digit*}

corresponding to *expression*. Widths are increased automatically if necessary.

example

```
const Pi : real := 2 * arcsin( 1 )

procedure put_area( r : real )

    var a : real
    var line : string

    a := Pi * r^2
    line := "area = " &
            erealstr( a, 24, 12, 3 )
    put line

end procedure
```

see also

frealstr
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exit keyword

usage

exit [**when** *boolean expression*]

remarks

Used to exit from the nearest enclosing **for** or **loop** statement. Exit is immediate unless the optional **when** condition is included.

see also

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exp standard function

usage

exp(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the natural logarithm base ε raised to the power of *expression*.

example

```
% return probability of Poisson pdf
function poisson( x : int, m : real ) : real

    var f : int := 1
    var r : real

    assert x >= 0
    assert m > 0

    r := m^x * exp( -m )

    loop
        exit when x = 0
        f := f * x
        decr x
    end loop

    r := r / f

    return r

end function
```

see also

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false keyword

usage

name := **false**

remarks

Boolean constant; opposite of **true**.

see also

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floor standard function

usage

floor(*expression* **: real**) **: int**

remarks

Function returns the largest integer less than or equal to *expression*.

example

```
% find absolute floor of number
function abs_floor( x : real ) : int

    var r : int

    if x >= 0.0 then
        r := floor( x )
    else
        r := ceil( x )
    end if

    return r

end function
```

see also

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for keyword

usage

for [**decreasing**] *name* := *begin*...*end* **do**
    declarations and statements
end for

remarks

The for statement repeats the list of *declarations and statements* for each value in the range *begin*...*end*. The identifier *name* must be declared as an integer outside the loop. The value of *name* is incremented, or decremented if the optional keyword **decreasing** is used, before repeating the loop. The **continue** and **exit** statements can be used for control within the loop. Declarations made within the loop are not visible outside the loop.

see also

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frealstr standard function

usage

```
frealstr( expression : real,
          format width : int,
          fraction width : int ) : string
```

remarks

Function returns a string of the form:

{*blank*}[-]*digit*{*digit*}.{*digit*}

corresponding to *expression*. Blanks are added as needed to right justify the string. Widths are increased automatically if necessary.

example

```
const Pi : real := 2 * arcsin( 1 )

procedure put_circumference( r : real )

    var c : real
    var line : string

    c := 2 * Pi * r
    line := "circumference = " &
            frealstr( c, 24, 12 )
    put line

end procedure
```

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function keyword

usage

function *name*[(*param*{, *param*})] : *type specification*
    declarations and statements
end function

in which *param* is:

    [**var**] *name*{, *name*} : *type specification*

remarks

A function must return a value using a **return** statement. Declarations within the function definition are only visible within the function. The use of **var** in a parameter list means that the parameter is to be passed to the function by reference rather than by value.

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get keyword

usage

get [:*stream*,] *get item*{, *get item*}

in which a *get item* is one of:

a. *name*
b. *name* : *
c. *name* : *width*

remarks

Each *get item* read sequentially from a file identified by *stream*. If *stream* is omitted, input is from your console's keyboard.

The *name* of *get item* must correspond to a declared variable. Form (a) can be an integer, real number, or a string. Form (b) reads input until an end of line character is found, *name* must be of a string. Form (c) reads *width* characters and *name* must also be of a string.

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getexp standard function

usage

getexp(*expression* **: real**) **: int**

remarks

Function returns the exponent, base 10, of *expression*. If *expression* equals 0.0, zero is returned.

example

```
type bignum : record
                m : real    % mantissa
                x : int     % exponent
              end record

% print a big number
procedure put_bignum( var s : bignum )

    put s.m, " x 10^", s.x

end procedure

% divide two big numbers
% dest <- dest / srce
procedure divide( var d, s : bignum )

    var dx : int

    d.m := d.m / s.m
    d.x := d.x - s.x

    dx := getexp( d.m )

    if dx ~= 0 then

        d.x := d.x + dx
        d.m := setexp( d.m, 0 )

    end if

end procedure
```

see also

setexp
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goto keyword

usage

goto *label name*

remarks

This keyword causes an immediate jump to the location of *label name*. Program execution may not jump from one subprogram to another.

see also

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if keyword

usage

if *boolean expression* **then**
declarations and statements
{**elsif** *boolean expression* **then**
declarations and statements}
[**else**
declarations and statements]
end if

remarks

The *declarations and statements* are executed in the first branch in which the *boolean expression* is true. Optional **elsif** branches must be placed ahead of the single optional **else** branch. Declarations within each branch are not visible outside the branch.

see also

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index standard function

usage

index(*string*, *pattern* : **string**) : **int**

remarks

Function returns the value of the location of the first occurrence of *pattern* in *string*. If no match is found, a negative number is returned.

example

```
program

    var s : string := "The rain in Spain"
    var i : int

    i := index( s, "Spain" )
    put i

end program
```

see also

length
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int keyword

usage

var *name* **: int**
const *name* **: int** := *integer expression*

remarks

Standard data type specifier for integer data.

see also

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intstr standard function

usage

intstr(*expression*, *format width* **: int**) **: string**

remarks

Function returns a string of form:

{*blank*}[-]*digit*{*digit*}

corresponding to *expression*. Blanks are added as needed to right justify the string. The actual width is increased automatically if *format width* is too small.

example

```
procedure fibonacci_numbers

    var s : string
    var f0, f1, f2 : int

    f0 := 1
    f1 := 1
    s := intstr( f0, 4 ) & intstr( f1, 4 )

    loop

        exit when f2 > 100
        f2 := f1 + f0
        s := s & intstr( f2, 4 )
        f0 := f1
        f1 := f2

    end loop

    put s

end procedure
```

see also

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frealstr
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label keyword

usage

label *name* **:**

remarks

This keyword is used to declare a marker for a **goto** statement.

see also

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length standard function

usage

length(*expression* **: string**) **: int**

remarks

Function returns the actual number of characters in *expression*.

example

```
program

    var s : string := "The rain in Spain"
    var i : int

    i := length( s )
    put i

end program
```

see also

index
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ln standard function

usage

ln(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the natural logarithm of *expression* which must have a value greater than zero or a run-time error will occur.

example

```
% inverse hyperbolic sine
function inv_sinh( x : real ) : real

    var r : real

    r := ln( x + sqrt( x*x + 1 ) )

    return r

end function
```

see also

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log10 standard function

usage

log10(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the base 10 logarithm of *expression* which must have a value greater than zero or a run-time error will occur.

example

```
% logarithm with error handler
function log_base_10( x : real ) : real

    var r : real := 0.0

    if x > 0 then
        r := log10( x )
    end if

    return r

end function
```

see also

ln
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loop keyword

usage

loop
declarations and statements
end loop

remarks

This keyword marks the beginning and end of an infinite loop. Declarations within the loop are not visible outside the loop. Statements in the loop are executed until terminated by an **exit** statement. A **continue** statement may also be used for control within the loop.

see also

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Project menu commands

These commands are for operating the T interpreter.

Run
Keyboard command: Alt+P R
Hot key: F9
Run the current project. If this command is selected after stepping or tracing, your program will run to completion.

Step over
Keyboard command: Alt+P S
Hot key: F8
Allows you to step through a program without entering subprograms. Closed source files will be opened automatically as needed.

Trace into
Keyboard command: Alt+P T
Hot key: F7
Allows you to step through a program and jump into subprograms. Closed source files will be opened automatically as needed.

Halt
Keyboard command: Alt+P H
Allows you to halt a program which you are stepping or tracing through.

Load project...
Keyboard command: Alt+P L
Loads the file containing the list of source files which make up your program. This will enable run, step, or trace operations.

Close project
Keyboard command: Alt+P C
This command will remove the current project and disable run, step, and trace operations.

mod keyword

usage

integer expression **mod** *integer expression*

remarks

Operator returns the remainder for integer division. The result is an integer.

see also

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nand keyword

usage

boolean expression **nand** *boolean expression*

remarks

Operator returns a boolean value:

x	y	x **nand** y
false	**false**	**true**
false	**true**	**true**
true	**false**	**true**
true	**true**	**false**

see also

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nor keyword

usage

boolean expression **nor** *boolean expression*

remarks

Operator returns a boolean value:

x	y	x **nor** y
false	**false**	**true**
false	**true**	**false**
true	**false**	**false**
true	**true**	**false**

see also

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not keyword

usage

not *boolean expression*

remarks

Operator returns a boolean value:

x	**not** x
false	**true**
true	**false**

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of keyword

usage

array[*size*{**,** *size*}] **of** *type specification*
case *expression* **of**

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open standard function

usage

open(*filename*, *mode* : **string**) : **int**

remarks

Function opens a file for reading or writing and returns the file's stream number. The *mode* is either of:

"r" for sequentially reading from, or
"w" for sequentially writing to.

If the file cannot be opened, zero is returned.

example

```
% copy text files
function copy( d : string,
               s : string ) : boolean

    var df, sf : int
    var line : string

    sf := open( s, "r" )
    df := open( d, "w" )

    if sf = 0 or
       df = 0 then
        return false
    end if

    loop
        exit when eof( sf )
        get : sf, line : *
        put : df, line
    end loop

    if close( sf ) = 0 or
       close( df ) = 0 then
        put "file close error"
        return false
    else
        return true
    end if
```

end function

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or keyword

usage

boolean expression **or** *boolean expression*

remarks

Operator returns a boolean value:

x	y	x **or** y
false	**false**	**false**
false	**true**	**true**
true	**false**	**true**
true	**true**	**true**

see also

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ord standard function

usage

ord(*expression* **: char**) **: int**

remarks

Function accepts a character and returns its corresponding integer value.

example

```
% compare two strings
function strcmp( s1, s2 : string ) : int

    var i : int := 0
    var d : int

    loop

        d := ord( s1[i] ) - ord( s2[i] )
        exit when d ~= 0
        exit when s1[i] = '\0'
        exit when s2[i] = '\0'
        exit when i >= 255
        incr i

    end loop

    return d

end function
```

see also

chr
Using subprograms

procedure keyword

usage

procedure *name*[(*param*{, *param*})]
    declarations and statements
end procedure

in which *param* is:

[**var**] *name*{, *name*} : *type specification*

remarks

A procedure may return after reaching the end of the list of its statements or when a **return** statement is reached. Declarations within the procedure definition are only visible within it. The use of **var** in a parameter list means that the parameter is to be passed by reference.

see also

Using subprograms

program keyword

usage

program
declarations and statements
end program

remarks

The program statement defines the start and end of every program. Statements can call functions or procedures which are subprograms. Declarations are only visible within the program statement.

see also

Getting started

limits

maximum value of an integer	`+2147483647`
minimum value of an integer	`-2147483648`
maximum magnitude of a real number	`1.797693e+308`
minimum magnitude of a real number	`2.225074e-308`
maximum value of base 10 exponent	`+308`
minimum value of base 10 exponent	`-307`
maximum string length in bytes	`255`
maximum array size in bytes	`32767`

`see also`

Working with data

put keyword

usage

put [:*stream*,] *put item*{, *put item*}[...]

in which a *put item* is:

expression[:*format width*[:*fraction width*[:*exponent width*]]]

remarks

Each *put item* is written sequentially to a file identified by *stream*. If *stream* is omitted, output is to the text output window on your console's video display. A new line is started at the end of the list of *put items* unless the ellipsis symbol "..." is appended.

A global file pointer is set when *stream* is included in the **put** statement. If a *put item* uses a function call, the function should not use a different *stream* than the **put** statement.

see also

get
close
open
Some input and output

Search menu commands

Find...

Keyboard command: Alt+S F
Searches for character strings in the active file. Search is case sensitive. You can search forward or backward from the insertion point.

Replace...

Keyboard command: Alt+S R
Searches for character strings in the active file and replaces each occurrence with a new string. Search is case sensitive. You can search forward or backward from the insertion point.

Next find

Keyboard command: Alt+S N
Hot key: F3
Repeats the last search or search and replace operation without opening the Find dialog box.

rand standard function

usage

rand : **real**

remarks

Function returns the next value of a sequence of pseudo random real numbers approximating a uniform distribution within the range 0.0 to 1.0.

example

```
% generate a normal random variable
function normal( mu, sig : real ) : real

    var r, x : real

    r := sig * sqrt( -2 * ln( rand ) )
    x := r * sin( 2 * 3.14159 * rand ) + mu

    return x

end function
```

see also

randint
randomize
randseed
Using subprograms

randint standard function

usage

randint(*low*, *high* : **int**) : **int**

remarks

Function returns the next value of a sequence of pseudo random integers approximating a uniform distribution in the range *low* to *high*.

example

```
type pick : record
                b1, b2, b3, b4 : int
            end record

procedure lotto( var d : pick )

    d.b1 := randint( 1, 16 )

    loop
        d.b2 := randint( 1, 16 )
        exit when d.b1 ~= d.b2
    end loop

    loop
        d.b3 := randint( 1, 16 )
        exit when d.b1 ~= d.b3 and
                  d.b2 ~= d.b3
    end loop

    loop
        d.b4 := randint( 1, 16 )
        exit when d.b1 ~= d.b4 and
                  d.b2 ~= d.b4 and
                  d.b3 ~= d.b4
    end loop

end procedure
```

see also

rand
randomize
randseed

Using subprograms

randomize standard procedure

usage

randomize

remarks

Procedure sets the pseudo random seed used by functions "rand" and "randint" to a machine generated random value.

example

```
procedure start_rng( n : int )

    if n ~= 0 then
        randseed( n )
    else
        randomize
    end if

end procedure
```

see also

randseed
Using subprograms

randseed standard procedure

usage

randseed(*new seed* **: int**)

remarks

Procedure resets the pseudo random seed used by functions "rand" and "randint" to *new seed*.

example

```
procedure start_rng( n : int )

    if n ~= 0 then
        randseed( n )
    else
        randomize
    end if

end procedure
```

see also

randomize
Using subprograms

real keyword

usage

var *name* **: real**
const *name* **: real** := *expression*

remarks

Standard data type specifier for real numbers.

see also

limits
Working with data

realstr standard function

usage

realstr(*expression* : **real**,
format width : **int**) : **string**

remarks

Function returns a string of the form:

{*blank*}[-]*digit*{*digit*}.{*digit*}

or of the form:

{*blank*}[-]*digit*.{*digit*} e *sign* *digit*{*digit*}

depending on the magnitude of *expression*. Blanks are added as needed to right justify the string. If *format width* is too small, the width is increased automatically.

example

```
const Pi : real := 2 * arcsin( 1 )

procedure put_volume( r : real )

    var v : real
    var line : string

    v := ( 4 / 3 ) * Pi * r^3
    line := "volume = " &
            realstr( v, 24 )
    put line

end procedure
```

see also

erealstr
frealstr
intstr
Using subprograms

record keyword

usage

record
item{, *item*} : *type specification*
{*item*{, *item*} : *type specification*}
end record

remarks

Keyword is used to declare a record data type. To access elements of a record type, use the item selector "." between a variable name and the *item*.

see also

Working with data

repeat standard function

usage

```
repeat( string : string,
        expression : int ) : string
```

remarks

Function returns *expression* copies of *string* joined together into a single string.

example

```
procedure plot_sine( w : real )

    var r, t : int
    var s : string

    for t := 0...40 do

        r := round( 24 * sin( w * t ) )
        r := r + 24
        s := repeat( " ", r ) & "*"
        put s

    end for

end procedure
```

see also

Using subprograms

return keyword

usage

return [*expression*]

remarks

Keyword causes a return from a function or procedure. A function must return a value. The type of *expression* must be compatible with a function's return type.

see also

Using subprograms

round standard function

usage

round(*expression* : **real**) : **int**

remarks

Function returns the integer nearest to *expression*.

example

```
% convert a real number into dollar-cents
function real_to_money( x : real ) : real

    var m : real

    m := 0.01 * round( 100 * x )

    return m

end function
```

see also

ceil
floor
sign
Using subprograms

setexp standard function

usage

setexp(*expression* : **real**, *exp* : **int**) : **real**

remarks

Function returns the value of *expression* with its exponent, base 10, changed to *exp*. If *expression* equals 0.0, zero is returned.

example

```
type bignum : record
                m : real    % mantissa
                x : int     % exponent
              end record

% convert a real number into a big number
procedure convert( var d : bignum, s : real )

    d.x := getexp( s )
    d.m := setexp( s, 0 )

end procedure

% multiply two big numbers
% dest <- dest * srce
procedure multiply( var d, s : bignum )

    var dx : int

    d.m := d.m * s.m
    d.x := d.x + s.x

    dx := getexp( d.m )

    if dx ~= 0 then

        d.x := d.x + dx
        d.m := setexp( d.m, 0 )

    end if

end procedure
```

getexp

limits
Using subprograms

Help menu commands

Commands for on-line help system.

Help index
Keyboard command: Alt+H H
Opens the T interpreter's on-line help system at the table of contents.

Lookup
Keyboard command: Alt+H L
Hot key: F1
Opens the T interpreter's on-line help system to a help topic about the word at the cursor location in the currently active window. If no related topic exists, the table of contents is displayed.

Using help
Keyboard command: Alt+H U
Opens the Windows help on help facility.

About...
Keyboard command: Alt+H A
Opens a dialog box which provides version and copyright information on the T interpreter.

sign standard function

usage

sign(*expression* **: real**) **: int**

remarks

Function returns the sign of *expression* as an integer -1 or +1.

example

```
% real absolute value
function rabs( arg : real ) : real

    return sign( arg ) * arg

end function
```

see also

ceil
floor
round
Using subprograms

sin standard function

usage

sin(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the sine of *expression*. The value of *expression* is assumed to be in units of radians.

example

```
% cosecant
function csc( x : real ) : real

    var s : real

    s := sin( x )

    if s ~= 0.0 then
        x := 1 / s
    end if

    return x

end function
```

see also

cos
tan
Using subprograms

sinh standard function

usage

sinh(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the hyperbolic sine of *expression*. The value of *expression* is assumed to be in units of radians.

example

```
% hyperbolic cosecant
function cosech( x : real ) : real

    var s : real

    s := sinh( x )

    if s ~= 0.0 then
        x := 1 / s
    end if

    return x

end function
```

see also

cosh
tanh
Using subprograms

sqrt standard function

usage

sqrt(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the square root of *expression*. The value of *expression* must be non-negative or a run-time error will occur.

example

```
% roots of a*x^2 + b*x + c = 0
function roots( a, b, c : real,
                var x1, x2 : real ) : int

    var r, s : real

    s := b^2  - 4 * a * c
    if s < 0.0 then
        return 0
    end if

    r := sqrt( s )
    x1 := ( -b + r ) / ( 2 * a )
    x2 := ( -b - r ) / ( 2 * a )

    return 1

end function
```

see also

Using subprograms

string keyword

usage

string

remarks

Standard type specifier for strings which are sequences of characters terminated by a null character.

see also

limits
Working with data

strint standard function

usage

strint(*expression* **: string**) **: int**

remarks

Function returns the integer equivalent to *expression*.

example

```
function get_number : int

    var s : string

    prompt "enter an integer:"
    get s
    return strint( s )

end function
```

see also

strreal
Using subprograms

strreal standard function

usage

strreal(*expression* **: string**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the real number equivalent of *expression*.

example

```
procedure put_money( d : string )

    var m : real

    m := strreal( d )
    put "$", m

end procedure
```

see also

strint
Using subprograms

tan standard function

usage

tan(*expression* **: real**) **: real**

remarks

Function returns the tangent of *expression*. The value of *expression* is assumed to be in units of radians.

example

```
% tan of 2*arg
function tan_2( arg : real ) : real

    var s, r : real

    s := tan( arg )
    r := 2 * s / ( 1 - s * s )

    return r

end function
```

see also

sin
cos
Using subprograms

tanh standard function

usage

tanh(*expression* : **real**) : **real**

remarks

Function returns the hyperbolic tangent of *expression*. The value of *expression* is assumed to be in units of radians.

example

```
% tanh of 2*arg
function tanh_2( arg : real ) : real

    var s, r : real

    s := tanh( arg )
    r := 2 * s / ( 1 + s * s )

    return r

end function
```

see also

cosh
sinh
Using subprograms

then keyword

usage

if *boolean expression* **then**

see also

if
Looping and jumping

true keyword

usage

name := **true**

remarks

Boolean constant; opposite of **false**.

see also

Working with data

type keyword

usage

type *name* **:** *type specification*

remarks

Declares a named type for the *type specification*. Frequently, the *type specification* is one a user defines using an **array**, **record**, **union**, or **enum** declaration.

see also

Working with data

value keyword

usage

value *constant*{, *constant*} **:**
declarations and statements

remarks

This keyword marks a block of *declarations and statements* to jump to in a case statement.

see also

case
Looping and jumping

var keyword

usage

var *name*{, *name*} : *type specification* [:= *expression*]

remarks

Keyword must precede each variable declaration and is also used to declare that a parameter in a subprogram's parameter list is passed by reference.

see also

const
function
procedure
Working with data
Using subprograms

watch standard procedure

usage

watch(*expression*)

remarks

Displays the current value of ***expression*** on the debug screen when in debug mode.

see also

Getting started
Using subprograms
break

when keyword

usage

exit when *boolean expression*
continue when *boolean expression*

remarks

Keyword is used to set a conditional jump in a for or loop statement.

see also

for
loop
Looping and jumping

xor keyword

usage

boolean expression **xor** *boolean expression*

remarks

Operator returns a boolean value:

x	y	x **xor** y
false	**false**	**false**
false	**true**	**true**
true	**false**	**true**
true	**true**	**false**

see also

Working with data

special symbols

These are special symbols used in the T programming language:

```
:=    +     -     *     /     ^     &     :     ,

.     ...   =     ~=    <     <=    >     >=

(     )     [     ]     \     %     "     '
```

see also

Working with data
Looping and jumping

Edit menu commands

Undo
Keyboard command: Alt+E U
Hot keys: Ctrl+Z, Alt+Backspace
Restores a text line to its state prior to any editing of it. If restoration is not possible, Undo appears dimmed on the Edit menu.

Cut
Keyboard command: Alt+E T
Hot keys: Ctrl+X, Shift+Delete
Deletes text from a document and places it onto the Clipboard, replacing the previous Clipboard contents.

Copy
Keyboard command: Alt+E C
Hot keys: Ctrl+C, Ctrl+Insert
Copies text from a document onto the Clipboard, leaving the original intact and replacing the previous Clipboard contents.

Paste
Keyboard command: Alt+E P
Hot keys: Ctrl+V, Shift+Insert
Pastes a copy of the Clipboard contents at the insertion point or replaces selected text in a document.

Delete
Keyboard command: Alt+E L
Hot key: Ctrl+Delete
Deletes selected text from a document, but does not place the text onto the Clipboard. This operation cannot be undone.

Select All
Keyboard command: Alt+E S
Selects all the text in a document at once. You can copy the selected text onto the Clipboard, delete it, or perform other editing actions.

Auto Indent
Keyboard command: Alt+E A
Toggles the automatic indenting feature. When checked, the text entry point for a new line will be immediately below the first character on the line above.