

## Counting Loops

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- These loops are used when you know how many times the body of the loop must execute prior to entering the loop
- Also used when you have an upper bound on the number of times a loop must execute (for example, search through 100 values looking for the first number  $> 15$ ).

### - Syntax

```
loop1: DO i = istart, iend, istep  
      { Body of loop  
      ENDDO loop1
```

### Comments

- \*  $i$  is called the loop index variable. The program controls its value for you.
- \* The value of  $i$  can be used in expressions in the loop, but the loop cannot assign a value to  $i$  (program won't compile if you try to do this)
- \*  $i$  must be an integer
- \*  $istart$ ,  $iend$ ,  $istep$  are the loop control parameters. These can be integer variables or static integer constants
- \* the loop name is optional

Example

loop to count to 10

```

DO i = 1, 10, 1 ← value of i will start at
WRITE(**) 'i = ', i    1, end at 10 and be
ENDDO                  incremented by 1 each
                       pass through the loop

```

```

DO i = 1, 10, 2 ← i starts at 1, ends at 10
WRITE(**) 'i = ', i    and will be incremented by
ENDDO                  2 each pass

```

- The most common value for the step (increment) is 1. If this is the case, you can leave off the step parameter

```

DO i = 1, 10    Same as    DO i = 1, 10, 1

```

- The control parameters can be variables

```

m = 1
n = 100

```

```

DO i = m, n    →    DO i = 1, 100

```

Example

```

DO i = -4, 8, 9
WRITE(**) 'i = ', i
ENDDO

```

- How many times will a loop execute?

DO i = istart, iend, istep

$$n\text{times} = \text{INT} \left( \frac{i\text{end} - i\text{start} + i\text{step}}{i\text{step}} \right)$$

DO i = 1, 10, 1 (or 1, 10)

$$n\text{times} = \text{INT} \left( \frac{10 - 1 + 1}{1} \right) = 10$$

DO i = 1, 10, 2

$$n\text{times} = \text{INT} \left( \frac{10 - 1 + 2}{2} \right) = \text{INT}(5.5) = 5$$

DO i = -4, 8, 9

$$n\text{times} = \text{INT} \left( \frac{8 - (-4) + 9}{9} \right) = \text{INT} \left( \frac{21}{9} \right) = \text{INT}(2.3) = 2$$

- Suppose you need to count backwards

```
DO i = 10, 1
  WRITE(*,*) 'i = ', i
ENDDO
```

$$n\text{times} = \text{INT} \left( \frac{1 - 10 + 1}{1} \right) = \underline{\underline{-8}}$$

If ntimes is  $\leq 0$   
the loop is empty,  
meaning it will not  
execute.

```
DO i = 10, 1, -1
  WRITE(*,*) 'i = ', i
ENDDO
```

- loops can be nested (any type of loop can be nested within any other type of loop)

DO i = istart, iend

{

DO j = jstart, jend

{

DO k = kstart, kend

{

ENDDO

ENDDO

ENDDO

can nest up to 7 levels deep

- CYCLE statement

\* This directs the loop to stop the current pass and go back to the top of the loop

DO i = 1, 10

IF (MOD(i, 3) == 0) THEN

    CYCLE

ENDIF

WRITE (\*,\*) 'i = ', i

ENDDO

→ can also give a loop name here to specify which loop to go to the top of.

output

i = 1  
i = 2  
i = 4  
i = 5  
i = 7  
i = 8  
i = 10

- EXIT Statement

\* Exits the current loop

\* can give a name to specify which loop to exit

```
loop1: DO i = 1, 10
```

```
loop2: DO j = 1, 20
```

```
IF (i+j > 15) THEN
```

```
EXIT loop1
```

```
ENDIF
```

```
ENDDO loop2
```

```
ENDDO loop1
```

- How do we use loops? we have seen a couple of examples, but will look at other applications of loops.

- Computing Sums

Example

compute  $\sum_{i=1}^{100} i^2 + i$

counting loops make this type of sum easy to do

```
total = 0
```

```
DO i = 1, 100
```

```
total = total + i**2 + i
```

```
ENDDO
```