## Information technology – Programming languages – Fortran

TECHNICAL REPORT FOR FLOATING-POINT EXCEPTION HANDLING IN FORTRAN

It is the intention of ISO/IEC JTC1/SC22/WG5 that the semantics and syntax described in this Technical Report shall be incorporated in the next revision of ISO/IEC 1539-1:1997 (Fortran) exactly as they are specified here unless experience in the implementation and use of this feature has identified any errors which need to be corrected, or changes are required in order to achieve proper integration, in which case every reasonable effort will be made to minimise the impact of such integration changes on existing commercial implementations.

## 1 Rationale

Exception handling is required for the development of robust and efficient numerical software. In particular, it is necessary in order to be able to write portable scientific libraries. In numerical Fortran programming, current practice is to employ whatever exception handling mechanisms are provided by the system/vendor. This clearly inhibits the production of fully portable numerical libraries and programs. It is particularly frustrating now that IEEE arithmetic is so widely used, since built into it are the five conditions: overflow, invalid, divide-by-zero, underflow, and inexact. Our aim is to provide support for these conditions.

We have taken the opportunity to provide support for other aspects of the IEEE standard through a set of elemental functions that are applicable only to IEEE data types.

This proposal involves three standard modules:

- 1. IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains a derived type, some named constants of this type, and some simple procedures. They allow the flags to be tested, cleared, set, saved, or restored.
- 2. IEEE\_ARITHMETIC behaves as if it contained a USE statement for all of IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS and provides support for other IEEE features through further derived types, named constants, and simple

procedures.

3. IEEE\_FEATURES contains some named constants that permit the user to indicate which IEEE features are essential in the application. Some processors may execute more slowly when certain features are requested.

To facilitate maximum performance, each of the proposed functions does very little processing of arguments. In many cases, a processor may generate only a few inline machine code instructions rather than library calls.

In order to allow for the maximum number of processors to provide the maximum value to users, we do **not** require IEEE conformance. A vendor with no IEEE hardware need not provide these modules and any request by the user for any of them with a USE statement will give a compile-time diagnostic. A vendor whose hardware does not fully conform with the IEEE standard may be unable to provide certain features. In this case, a request for such a feature will give a compile-time diagnostic. Another possibility is that not all flags are supported or that the extent of support varies according to the kind type parameter. The user must utilize an inquiry function to determine if he or she can count on a specific feature of the IEEE standard.

Note that an implementor should avoid a macro implementation, as IEEE conformance is often controlled by compiler switches. A processor which offers a switch to turn off a facility should adjust the values returned for these inquiries. For example, a processor which allows gradual underflow to be turned off (replaced with flush to zero) should return false for IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL(X) when a source file is processed with that option on. Naturally it should return true when that option is not in effect.

The most important use of a floating-point exception handling facility is to make possible the development of much more efficient software than is otherwise possible. The following 'hypotenuse' function,  $\sqrt{x^2+y^2}$ , illustrates the use of the facility in developing efficient software.

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REAL FUNCTION HYPOT(X, Y)
! In rare circumstances this may lead to the signaling of IEEE_OVERFLOW
   USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
   REAL X, Y
   REAL SCALED_X, SCALED_Y, SCALED_RESULT
   LOGICAL, DIMENSION(2) :: FLAGS
   TYPE (IEEE_FLAG_TYPE), PARAMETER, DIMENSION(2) :: &
          OUT_OF_RANGE = (/ IEEE_OVERFLOW, IEEE_UNDERFLOW /)
   INTRINSIC SQRT, ABS, EXPONENT, MAX, DIGITS, SCALE
! The processor clears the flags on entry
! Try a fast algorithm first
   HYPOT = SQRT(X^{*}2 + Y^{*}2)
   CALL IEEE_GET_FLAG(OUT_OF_RANGE,FLAGS)
   IF ( ANY(FLAGS) ) THEN
      CALL IEEE_SET_FLAG(OUT_OF_RANGE,.FALSE.)
      IF ( X==0.0 .OR. Y==0.0 ) THEN
         HYPOT = ABS(X) + ABS(Y)
      ELSE IF (2*ABS(EXPONENT(X)-EXPONENT(Y)) > DIGITS(X)+1) THEN
         HYPOT = MAX(ABS(X), ABS(Y))! one of X and Y can be ignored
      ELSE
               ! scale so that ABS(X) is near 1
         SCALED_X = SCALE( X, -EXPONENT(X) )
         SCALED_Y = SCALE(Y, -EXPONENT(X))
         SCALED_RESULT = SQRT( SCALED_X**2 + SCALED_Y**2 )
         HYPOT = SCALE( SCALED_RESULT, EXPONENT(X) ) ! may cause overflow
      END IF
   END IF
! The processor resets any flag that was signaling on entry
END FUNCTION HYPOT
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An attempt is made to evaluate this function directly in the fastest possible way. This will work almost every time, but if an exception occurs during this fast computation, a safe but slower way evaluates the function. This

slower evaluation may involve scaling and unscaling, and in (very rare) extreme cases this unscaling can cause overflow (after all, the true result might overflow if X and Y are both near the overflow limit).

If the overflow or underflow flag is signaling on entry, it is reset on return by the processor, so that earlier exceptions are not lost.

Can all this be accomplished without the help of an exception handling facility? Yes, it can – in fact, the alternative code can do the job, but of course it is much less efficient. That's the point. The HYPOT function is special, in this respect, in that the normal and alternative codes try to accomplish the same task. This is not always the case. In fact, it very often happens that the alternative code concentrates on handling the exceptional cases and is not able to handle all of the non-exceptional cases. When this happens, a program which cannot take advantage of hardware flags could have a structure like the following:

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if ( in the first exceptional region ) then
    handle this case
else if ( in the second exceptional region ) then
    handle this case
  :
else
    execute the normal code
end
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But this is not only inefficient, it also inverts the logic of the computation. For other examples, see Hull, Fairgrieve and Tang (1994) and Demmel and Li (1994).

The code for the HYPOT function can be generalized in an obvious way to compute the Euclidean norm,  $\sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + ... + x_n^2}$  of an *n*-vector; the generalization of the alternative code is not so obvious (though straightforward) and will be much slower relative to the normal code than is the case with the HYPOT function.

In connection with reliable computation, there is a need for intrinsic conditions further to those of the IEEE floating-point standard. Examples are:

- INSUFFICIENT\_STORAGE for when the processor is unable to find sufficient storage to continue execution.
- INTEGER\_OVERFLOW and INTEGER\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO for when an intrinsic integer operation has a very large result or has a zero denominator.

INTRINSIC for when an intrinsic procedure has been unsuccessful.

SYSTEM\_ERROR for when a system error occurs.

This proposal has been designed to allow such enhancements in the future.

#### References

Demmel, J.W. and Li, X. (1994). Faster Numerical Algorithms via Exception Handling. IEEE Transactions on Computers, 43, no. 8, 983-992.

Hull, T.E., Fairgrieve, T.F., and Tang, T.P.T. (1994). Implementing complex elementary functions using exception handling. ACM Trans. Math. Software 20, 215-244.

# 2 Technical specification

## 2.1 The model

This proposal is based on the IEEE model with flags for the floating-point exceptions (invalid, overflow, divide-by-zero, underflow, inexact), a flag for the rounding mode (nearest, up, down, to-zero), and flags for whether halting occurs following exceptions. It is not necessary for the hardware to have any such flags (they may be simulated by software) or for it to support all the modes. Inquiry procedures are available to allow a program to determine the extent of support. Inquiries are in terms of reals, but the same level of support is provided for the corresponding complex kind.

Some hardware may be able to provide no support of these features or only partial support. It may execute faster with compiled code that does not support all the features. This proposal therefore involves three intrinsic modules. IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS is for the exceptions and the minimum requirement is for the support of overflow and divide-by-zero for all kinds of real and complex data. IEEE\_ARITHMETIC behaves as if it contained a USE statement for all of IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS and provides support for other IEEE features. IEEE\_FEATURES contains some named constants that permit the user to indicate which features are essential in the application. A program is required to fail if a requested feature is not available. The modules contain five derived types (section 2.3), named constants to control the level of support (section 2.4), and a collection of procedures (sections 2.5 to 2.10). None of the procedures is permitted as an actual argument.

## 2.2 The USE statement for an intrinsic module

New syntax on the USE statement provides control over whether it is intended to access an intrinsic module: USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE ARITHMETIC

or not:

USE, NON\_INTRINSIC :: MY\_IEEE\_ARITHMETIC

The INTRINSIC statement is not extended. For the old form:

USE IEEE\_ARITHMETIC

the processor looks first for a non-intrinsic module.

## 2.3 The derived types and data objects

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the derived types:

IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE, for identifying a particular exception flag. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT. The modules also contains the named array constants IEEE\_USUAL = (/IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_INVALID/) and IEEE\_ALL = (/IEEE\_USUAL, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, IEEE\_INEXACT/)

IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE, for saving the current floating point status.

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the derived types:

IEEE\_CLASS\_TYPE, for identifying a class of floating-point values. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_SIGNALING\_NAN, IEEE\_QUIET\_NAN, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL, and IEEE POSITIVE INF. IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE, for identifying a particular rounding mode. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_NEAREST, IEEE\_TO\_ZERO, IEEE\_UP, and IEEE\_DOWN for the IEEE modes; and IEEE\_OTHER for any other mode.

The module IEEE\_FEATURES contains the derived type:

IEEE\_FEATURES\_TYPE, for expressing the need for particular IEEE features. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_DATATYPE, IEEE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_DIVIDE, IEEE\_HALTING, IEEE\_INEXACT\_FLAG, IEEE\_INF, IEEE\_INVALID\_FLAG, IEEE\_NAN, IEEE\_ROUNDING, IEEE\_SQRT, and IEEE\_UNDERFLOW\_FLAG.

## 2.4 The level of support

IEEE EXCEPTIONS IEEE ARITHMETIC When or is accessible, IEEE OVERFLOW and IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO are supported in the scoping unit for all kinds of real and complex data. Which other exceptions are supported may be determined by the function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG, see section 2.6. Whether control of halting is supported may be determined by the function IEEE SUPPORT HALTING. The extent of support of the other exceptions may be influenced by the accessibility of the named constants IEEE\_INEXACT\_FLAG, IEEE\_INVALID\_FLAG, and IEEE\_UNDERFLOW\_FLAG of the module IEEE FEATURES. If a scoping unit has access to IEEE UNDERFLOW FLAG of IEEE FEATURES, the scoping unit must support underflow and return true from IEEE SUPPORT FLAG(IEEE UNDERFLOW, X) for at least one kind of real. Similarly, if IEEE\_INEXACT\_FLAG or IEEE\_INVALID\_FLAG is accessible, the scoping unit must support the exception and return true from the corresponding inquiry for at least one kind of real. Also, if IEEE\_HALTING is accessible, the scoping unit must support control of halting and return true from IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(FLAG) for the flag.

If a scoping unit does not access IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC, the level of support is processor dependent, and need not include support for any exceptions. If a flag is signaling on entry to such a scoping unit, the processor ensures that it is signaling on exit. If a flag is quiet on entry to such a scoping unit, whether it is signaling on exit is processor dependent.

For processors with IEEE arithmetic, further IEEE support is available through the module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC. The extent of support may be influenced by the accessibility of the named constants of the module IEEE\_FEATURES. If a scoping unit has access to IEEE\_DATATYPE of IEEE\_FEATURES, the scoping unit must support IEEE arithmetic and return true from IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) (see section 2.6) for at least one kind of real. Similarly, if IEEE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_DIVIDE, IEEE\_INF, IEEE\_NAN, IEEE\_ROUNDING, or IEEE\_SQRT is accessible, the scoping unit must support the feature and return true from the corresponding inquiry function for at least one kind of real. In the case of IEEE\_ROUNDING, it must return true for all the rounding modes IEEE\_NEAREST, IEEE\_TO\_ZERO, IEEE\_UP, and IEEE\_DOWN.

Execution may be slowed on some processors by the support of some features. If IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC is accessed but IEEE\_FEATURES is not accessed, the vendor is free to choose which subset to support. The processor's fullest support is provided when all of IEEE\_FEATURES is accessed:

#### USE IEEE\_ARITHMETIC; USE IEEE\_FEATURES

but execution may then be slowed by the presence of a feature that is not needed. In all cases, the extent of support may be determined by the inquiry functions of section 2.6.

If a flag is signaling on entry to a procedure, the processor will set it to quiet on entry and restore it to signaling on return.

If a flag is quiet on entry to a procedure with access to IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC and is signaling on return, the processor will not restore it to quiet.

In a procedure, the processor ensures that the flags for halting have the same values on return as on entry. In a procedure, the processor ensures that the flags for rounding have the same values on return as on entry.

## 2.5 The exception flags

The flags are initially quiet and signal when an exception occurs. The value of a flag is determined by the elemental subroutine

IEEE\_GET\_FLAG (FLAG,FLAG\_VALUE)

where FLAG is of type IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE and FLAG\_VALUE is of type default LOGICAL. Being elemental allows an array of flag values to be obtained at once and obviates the need for a list of flags.

Flag values may be assigned by the elemental subroutine

IEEE\_SET\_FLAG (FLAG,FLAG\_VALUE)

An exception must not signal if this could arise only during execution of a process further to those required or permitted by the standard. For example, the statement

IF (F(X) > 0.0) Y = 1.0/Z

must not signal IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO when both F(X) and Z are zero and the statement

WHERE(A > 0.0) A = 1.0/A

must not signal IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO. On the other hand, when X has the value 1.0 and Y has the value 0.0, the expression

X>0.00001 .OR. X/Y>0.00001

is permitted to cause the signaling of IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO.

#### 2.6 Inquiry functions for the features supported

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the following inquiry functions:

- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG(FLAG[,X]) True if the processor supports an exception flag for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(FLAG) True if the processor supports the ability to control during program execution whether to abort or continue execution after an exception.

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following inquiry functions:

- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE([X]) True if the processor supports IEEE arithmetic for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X. Here support means employing an IEEE data format and performing the operations of +, -, and \* as in the IEEE standard whenever the operands and result all have normal values.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL([X]) True if the processor supports the IEEE denormalized numbers for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE([X]) True if the processor supports divide with the accuracy specified by the IEEE standard for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF([X]) True if the processor supports the IEEE infinity facility for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN([X]) True if the processor supports the IEEE Not-A-Number facility for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.

IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE[,X]) True if the processor supports a particular rounding mode for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X. Here, support includes the ability to change the mode by

CALL IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE)

- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT([X]) True if the processor supports IEEE square root for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_STANDARD([X]) True if the processor supports all the IEEE facilities defined in this standard for all reals (X absent) or for reals of the same kind type parameter as the argument X.

#### 2.7 Elemental functions

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following elemental functions for reals X and Y for which IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(Y) are true:

IEEE\_CLASS(X) Returns the IEEE class (see section 2.3 for the possible values).

IEEE\_COPY\_SIGN(X,Y) IEEE copysign function, that is X with the sign of Y.

- IEEE\_IS\_FINITE(X) IEEE finite function. True if IEEE\_CLASS(X) has one of the values IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL.
- IEEE\_IS\_NAN(X) True if the value is IEEE Not-a-Number.

IEEE\_IS\_NEGATIVE(X) True if the value is negative (including negative zero).

IEEE\_IS\_NORMAL(X) True if the value is a normal number.

IEEE\_LOGB(X) IEEE *logb* function, that is, the unbiased exponent of X.

IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER(X,Y) Returns the next representable neighbor of X in the direction toward Y.

- IEEE\_RINT(X) Round to an integer value according to the current rounding mode.
- IEEE\_SCALB (X,I) Returns  $2^{I}X$ .
- IEEE\_UNORDERED(X,Y) IEEE unordered function. True if X or Y is a NaN and false otherwise.
- IEEE\_VALUE(X, CLASS) Generate a value of a given IEEE class. The value of CLASS is permitted to be
  - (a) IEEE\_SIGNALING\_NAN or IEEE\_QUIET\_NAN if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(X) has the value true,
  - (b) IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF or IEEE\_POSITIVE\_INF if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X) has the value true,
  - (c) IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL or IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL(X) has the value true,
  - (d) IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO or IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL.

Although in most cases the value is processor dependent, the value does not vary between invocations for any particular X kind type parameter and CLASS value.

#### 2.8 Elemental subroutines

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the following elemental subroutines:

IEEE\_GET\_FLAG(FLAG, FLAG\_VALUE) Get an exception flag.

IEEE\_GET\_HALTING\_MODE(FLAG, HALTING) Get halting mode for an exception. The initial halting mode is processor dependent. Halting is not necessarily immediate, but normal processing does not continue.

IEEE\_SET\_FLAG(FLAG, FLAG\_VALUE) Set an exception flag.

IEEE\_SET\_HALTING\_MODE (FLAG, HALTING) Controls continuation or halting on exceptions.

#### 2.9 Non-elemental subroutines

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the following non-elemental subroutines:

- IEEE\_GET\_STATUS(STATUS\_VALUE) Get the current values of the set of flags that define the current state of the floating point environment. STATUS\_VALUE is of type IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE.
- IEEE\_SET\_STATUS(STATUS\_VALUE) Restore the values of the set of flags that define the current state of the floating point environment (usually the floating point status register). STATUS\_VALUE is of type IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE and has been set by a call of IEEE\_GET\_STATUS.

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following non-elemental subroutines:

- IEEE\_GET\_ROUNDING\_MODE(ROUND\_VALUE) Get the current IEEE rounding mode. ROUND\_VALUE is of type IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE.
- IEEE SET ROUNDING MODE(ROUND VALUE) IEEE rounding Set the current mode. type IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE. If this is invoked, ROUND\_VALUE is of IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE, X) must be true for any X such that IEEE SUPPORT DATATYPE(X) is true.

#### **2.10** Transformational function

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following transformational function:

IEEE\_SELECTED\_REAL\_KIND([P,][R]) As for SELECTED\_REAL\_KIND but gives an IEEE
kind.

# 3 Edits to the standard (ISO/IEC 1539-1:1997)

xvi/16. Add 'A module may be intrinsic (defined by the standard) or nonintrinsic (defined by Fortran code).'

19/6. After 'procedures,' add 'modules,'.

- 131/33. Add: 'If any exception (15) is signaling, the processor shall issue a warning on the unit identified by \* in a WRITE statement, indicating which exceptions are signaling.'.
- 186/17. Add 'An **intrinsic module** is defined by the standard. A **nonintrinsic module** is defined by Fortran code.'

187/22-23. Change to

R1107	use-stmt	is or	USE [ [, module-nature] :: ] module-name [, rename-list] USE [ [, module-nature] :: ] module-name, ONLY: [only-list]
R1107a	module-nature	is or	INTRINSIC NON_INTRINSIC

Constraint: If module-nature is INTRINSIC, module-name shall be the name of an intrinsic module.

Constraint: If *module-nature* is NON\_INTRINSIC, *module-name* shall be the name of a nonintrinsic module.

- 187/31+. Add 'A *use-stmt* without a *module-nature* provides access either to an intrinsic or to a nonintrinsic module. If the *module-name* is the name of both an intrinsic and a nonintrinsic module, the nonintrinsic module is accessed.'
- 228/36. Change '.' to ', unless the intrinsic module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC (section 15) is accessible and there is support for an infinite or a NaN result, as appropriate. If an infinite result is returned, the flag IEEE\_OVERFLOW or IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO shall signal; if a NaN result is returned, the flag IEEE\_INVALID shall signal. If all results are normal, these flags must have the same status as when the intrinsic procedure was invoked.'

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## 15. Intrinsic modules for support of exceptions and IEEE arithmetic

The modules IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS, IEEE\_ARITHMETIC, and IEEE\_FEATURES provide support for exceptions and IEEE arithmetic. Whether the modules are provided is processor dependent. If the module IEEE\_FEATURES is provided, which of the named constants defined by this standard are included is processor dependent. The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC behaves as if it contained a USE statement for IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS.

When IEEE EXCEPTIONS or IEEE ARITHMETIC is accessible, IEEE OVERFLOW and IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO are supported in the scoping unit for all kinds of real and complex data. Which other exceptions are supported may be determined by the function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG, see section 15.9, and whether control of halting is supported may be determined by the function IEEE SUPPORT HALTING. The extent of support of the other exceptions may be influenced by the accessibility of the named constants IEEE\_INEXACT\_FLAG, IEEE\_INVALID\_FLAG, and IEEE\_UNDERFLOW\_FLAG of the module IEEE FEATURES. If a scoping unit has access to IEEE UNDERFLOW FLAG of IEEE FEATURES, the scoping unit must support underflow and return true from IEEE SUPPORT FLAG(IEEE UNDERFLOW, X) for at least one kind of real. Similarly, if IEEE\_INEXACT\_FLAG or IEEE\_INVALID\_FLAG is accessible, the scoping unit must support the exception and return true from the corresponding inquiry for at least one kind of real. Also, if IEEE\_HALTING is accessible, the scoping unit must support control of halting and return true from IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(FLAG) for the flag.

If a scoping unit does not access IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC, the level of support is processor dependent, and need not include support for any exceptions. If a flag is signaling on entry to such a

scoping unit, the processor ensures that it is signaling on exit. If a flag is quiet on entry to such a scoping unit, whether it is signaling on exit is processor dependent.

For processors with IEEE arithmetic, further IEEE support is available through the module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC. The extent of support may be influenced by the accessibility of the named constants of the module IEEE\_FEATURES. If a scoping unit has access to IEEE\_DATATYPE of IEEE\_FEATURES, the scoping unit must support IEEE arithmetic and return true from IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) (see section 15.9) for at least one kind of real. Similarly, if IEEE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_DIVIDE, IEEE\_INF, IEEE\_NAN, IEEE\_ROUNDING, or IEEE\_SQRT is accessible, the scoping unit must support the feature and return true from the corresponding inquiry function for at least one kind of real. In the case of IEEE\_ROUNDING, it must return true for all the rounding modes IEEE NEAREST, IEEE TO ZERO, IEEE UP, and IEEE DOWN.

Execution may be slowed on some processors by the support of some features. If IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC is accessed but IEEE\_FEATURES is not accessed, the vendor is free to choose which subset to support. The processor's fullest support is provided when all of IEEE\_FEATURES is accessed:

USE IEEE\_ARITHMETIC; USE IEEE\_FEATURES

but execution may then be slowed by the presence of a feature that is not needed. In all cases, the extent of support may be determined by the inquiry functions.

## **15.1 Derived data types defined in the module**

The modules IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS, IEEE\_ARITHMETIC, and IEEE\_FEATURES contain five derived types, whose components are private. No operation is defined for them and only intrinsic assignment is available for them.

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains:

IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE, for identifying a particular exception flag. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the modules: IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT. The modules also contains the array named constants IEEE\_USUAL = (/ IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_INVALID /) and IEEE\_ALL = (/ IEEE\_USUAL, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, IEEE\_INEXACT /).

IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE, for saving the current floating point status.

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains:

- IEEE\_CLASS\_TYPE, for identifying a class of floating-point values. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_SIGNALING\_NAN, IEEE\_QUIET\_NAN, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_INF.
- IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE, for identifying a particular rounding mode. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_NEAREST, IEEE\_TO\_ZERO, IEEE\_UP, and IEEE\_DOWN for the IEEE modes; and IEEE\_OTHER for any other mode.

The module IEEE\_FEATURES contains:

IEEE\_FEATURES\_TYPE, for expressing the need for particular IEEE features. Its only possible values are those of named constants defined in the module: IEEE\_DATATYPE, IEEE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_DIVIDE, IEEE\_HALTING, IEEE\_INEXACT\_FLAG, IEEE\_INF, IEEE\_INVALID\_FLAG, IEEE\_NAN, IEEE\_ROUNDING, IEEE\_SQRT, and IEEE\_UNDERFLOW\_FLAG.

## **15.2 The exceptions**

The exceptions are:

#### IEEE\_OVERFLOW

This exception occurs when the result for an intrinsic real operation or assignment has an absolute value greater than a processor-dependent limit, or the real or imaginary part of the result for an intrinsic complex operation or assignment has an absolute value greater than a processor-dependent limit.

#### IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO

This exception occurs when a real or complex division has a nonzero numerator and a zero denominator.

#### IEEE\_INVALID

This exception occurs when a real or complex operation or assignment is invalid; examples are SQRT(X) when X is real and has a nonzero negative value, and conversion to an integer (by assignment or an intrinsic procedure) when the result is too large to be representable.

#### IEEE\_UNDERFLOW

This exception occurs when the result for an intrinsic real operation or assignment has an absolute value less than a processor-dependent limit and loss of accuracy is detected, or the real or imaginary part of the result for an intrinsic complex operation or assignment has an absolute value less than a processor-dependent limit and loss of accuracy is detected.

#### IEEE\_INEXACT

This exception occurs when the result of a real or complex operation or assignment is not exact.

Each exception has a flag whose value is either quiet or signaling. The value may be determined by the function IEEE\_GET\_FLAG. Its initial value is quiet and it signals when the associated exception occurs. Its status may also be changed by the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_FLAG or the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_STATUS. Once signaling, it remains signaling unless set quiet by an invocation of the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_FLAG or the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_FLAG or the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_FLAG or the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_FLAG or the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_STATUS. If any exception is signaling when the program terminates, the processor shall issue a warning on the unit identified by \* in a WRITE statement, indicating which conditions are signaling.

If a flag is signaling on entry to a procedure, the processor will set it to quiet on entry and restore it to signaling on return.

In a scoping unit that has access to IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC, if an intrinsic procedure executes normally, the values of the flags IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, and IEEE\_INVALID shall be as on entry to the procedure, even if one or more signals during the calculation. If a real or complex result is too large for the intrinsic to handle, IEEE\_OVERFLOW may signal. If a real or complex result is a NaN because of an invalid operation (for example, LOG(-1.0)), IEEE\_INVALID may signal. Similar rules apply to the evaluation of specification expressions on entry to a procedure, to format processing, and to intrinsic operations: no signaling flag shall be set quiet and no quiet flag shall be signal because of an intermediate calculation that does not affect the result.

Note: An implementation may provide alternative versions of an intrinsic procedure; a practical example of such alternatives might be one version suitable for a call from a scoping unit with access to IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS or IEEE\_ARITHMETIC and one for other cases.

In a sequence of statements that contains no invocations of IEEE\_GET\_FLAG, IEEE\_SET\_FLAG, IEEE\_GET\_STATUS, IEEE\_SET\_HALTING, or IEEE\_SET\_STATUS, if the execution of a process would cause an exception to signal but after execution of the sequence no value of a variable depends on the process, whether the exception is signaling is processor dependent. For example, when Y has the value zero, whether the code

$$X = 1.0/Y$$
  
 $X = 3.0$ 

signals IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO is processor dependent. Another example is the following:

REAL, PARAMETER :: X=0.0, Y=6.0
:
IF (1.0/X == Y) PRINT \*, 'Hello world'

where the processor is permitted to discard the IF statement since the logical expression can never be true and no value of a variable depends on it.

An exception must not signal if this could arise only during execution of a process further to those required or permitted by the standard. For example, the statement

IF 
$$(F(X) > 0.0)$$
 Y =  $1.0/Z$ 

must not signal IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO when both F(X) and Z are zero and the statement

WHERE(
$$A > 0.0$$
) A =  $1.0/A$ 

must not signal IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO. On the other hand, when X has the value 1.0 and Y has the value 0.0, the expression

is permitted to cause the signaling of IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO.

The processor need not support IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT. If an exception is not supported, its flag is always quiet. The function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG may be used to inquire whether a particular flag is supported. If IEEE\_INVALID is supported, it signals in the case of conversion to an integer (by assignment or an intrinsic procedure) if the result is too large to be representable.

## **15.3** The rounding modes

IEEE 754-1985 (also IEC 559:1989) specifies four rounding modes:

IEEE\_NEAREST rounds the exact result to the nearest representable value.

IEEE\_TO\_ZERO rounds the exact result towards zero to the next representable value.

IEEE\_UP rounds the exact result towards +infinity to the next representable value.

IEEE\_DOWN rounds the exact result towards --infinity to the next representable value.

The function IEEE\_GET\_ROUNDING\_MODE may be used to inquire which rounding mode is in operation. Its value is one of the above four or IEEE\_OTHER if the rounding mode does not conform to IEEE 754-1985.

If the processor supports the alteration of the rounding mode during execution, the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING\_MODE may be used to alter it. The function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING may be used to inquire whether this facility is available for a particular mode.

In a procedure other than IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING\_MODE, the processor shall not change the rounding mode on entry, and on return shall ensure that the rounding mode is the same as it was on entry.

Note. Within a program, all literal constants that have the same form have the same value (4.1.2). Therefore, the value of a literal constant is not affected by the rounding mode.

## **15.4 Halting**

Some processors allow control during program execution of whether to abort or continue execution after an exception. Such control is exercised by invocation of the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_HALTING\_MODE. Halting is not precise and may occur any time after the exception has occurred. The function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING may be used to inquire whether this facility is available. The initial halting mode is processor dependent.

In a procedure other than IEEE\_SET\_HALTING\_MODE, the processor shall not change the halting mode on entry, and on return shall ensure that the halting mode is the same as it was on entry.

## 15.5 The floating point status

The values of all the supported flags for exceptions, rounding mode, and halting may be saved in a scalar variable of type TYPE(IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE) with the function IEEE\_GET\_STATUS and restored with the subroutine IEEE\_SET\_STATUS. There are no facilities for finding the values of particular flags held within such a variable.

Note. Some processors hold all these flags in a floating point status register that can be saved and restored as a whole much faster than all individual flags can be saved and restored. These procedures are provided to exploit this feature.

## **15.6 Exceptional values**

IEEE 754-1985 specifies the following exceptional floating point values:

Denormalized values have very small absolute values and lowered precision.

Infinite values (+Inf and –Inf) are created by overflow or division by zero.

Not-a-Number (NaN) values are undefined values or values created by an invalid operation.

The functions IEEE\_IS\_FINITE, IEEE\_IS\_NAN, IEEE\_IS\_NEGATIVE, and IEEE\_IS\_NORMAL are provided to test whether a value is finite, NaN, negative, or normal. The function IEEE\_VALUE is provided to generate an IEEE number of any class, including an infinity or a NaN. The functions IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF, and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN may be used to inquire whether this facility is available for a particular kind of real.

## **15.7 IEEE arithmetic**

The function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE may be used to inquire whether IEEE arithmetic is available for a particular kind of real. Complete conformance with the IEEE standard is not required, but the normalized numbers must be exactly those of IEEE single or IEEE double; the arithmetic operators must be implemented with at least one of the IEEE rounding modes; and the functions copysign, scalb, logb, nextafter, and unordered must be provided by the functions IEEE\_COPY\_SIGN, IEEE\_SCALB, IEEE\_LOGB, IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER, and IEEE\_UNORDERED. The inquiry function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE is provided to inquire whether the processor supports divide with the accuracy specified by the IEEE standard.

IEEE 754-1985 specifies a square root function that returns -0.0 for the square root of -0.0. The function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT may be used to inquire whether SQRT is implemented in this way for a particular kind of real.

The inquiry function IEEE\_SUPPORT\_STANDARD is provided to inquire whether the processor supports all the IEEE facilities defined in this standard for a particular kind of real.

## **15.8** Tables of the procedures

In this section, the procedures are tabulated with the names of their arguments and a short description.

#### **15.8.1 Inquiry functions**

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the following inquiry functions:

- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG(FLAG [, X]) Inquire if the processor supports an exception.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(FLAG) Inquire if the processor supports control of halting after an exception.

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following inquiry functions:

IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE([X]) Inquire if the processor supports IEEE arithmetic.

- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL([X]) Inquire if the processor supports denormalized numbers.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE([X]) Inquire if the processor supports divide with the accuracy specified by the IEEE standard.
- IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF([X]) Inquire if processor supports the IEEE infinity.

IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN([X]) Inquire if processor supports the IEEE Not-A-Number.

IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE [, X]) Inquire if processor supports a particular rounding mode.

IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT([X]) Inquire if the processor supports IEEE square root.

IEEE\_SUPPORT\_STANDARD([X]) Inquire if processor supports all IEEE facilities.

#### **15.8.2 Elemental functions**

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following elemental functions for reals X and Y for which IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(Y) are true:

IEEE\_CLASS(X) IEEE class.

IEEE\_COPY\_SIGN(X,Y) IEEE copysign function.

IEEE\_IS\_FINITE(X) Determine if value is finite.

IEEE\_IS\_NAN(X) Determine if value is IEEE Not-a-Number.

IEEE\_IS\_NORMAL(X) Whether a value is normal, that is, neither an Infinity, a NaN, nor denormalized.

IEEE\_LOGB(X) Unbiased exponent in the IEEE floating point format.

IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER(X,Y) Returns the next representable neighbor of X in the direction toward Y.

IEEE\_RINT(X) Round to an integer value according to the current rounding mode.

IEEE\_SCALB(X,I) Returns  $2^{I}X$ .

IEEE\_UNORDERED(X,Y) IEEE unordered function. True if X or Y is a NaN and false otherwise.

IEEE\_VALUE(X, CLASS) Generate an IEEE value.

## 15.8.3 Kind function

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following transformational function:

IEEE\_SELECTED\_REAL\_KIND ([P,][R]) Kind type parameter value for an IEEE real with given

precision and range.

#### **15.8.4 Elemental subroutines**

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the following elemental subroutines:

IEEE\_GET\_FLAG(FLAG,FLAG\_VALUE) Get an exception flag.

IEEE\_GET\_HALTING\_MODE(FLAG, HALTING) Get halting mode for an exception.

IEEE\_SET\_FLAG(FLAG,FLAG\_VALUE) Set an exception flag.

IEEE\_SET\_HALTING\_MODE(FLAG,HALTING) Controls continuation or halting on exceptions.

#### **15.8.5** Non-elemental subroutines

The module IEEE\_EXCEPTIONS contains the following non-elemental subroutines:

IEEE\_GET\_STATUS(STATUS\_VALUE) Get the current state of the floating point environment.

IEEE\_SET\_STATUS(STATUS\_VALUE) Restore the state of the floating point environment.

The module IEEE\_ARITHMETIC contains the following non-elemental subroutines:

IEEE\_GET\_ROUNDING\_MODE(ROUND\_VALUE) Get the current IEEE rounding mode.

IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING\_MODE(ROUND\_VALUE) Set the current IEEE rounding mode.

## **15.9 Specifications of the procedures**

#### 15.9.1 IEEE\_CLASS (X)

Description. IEEE class function.

Class. Elemental function.

**Argument.** X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

**Result Characteristics.** TYPE(IEEE\_CLASS\_TYPE).

**Result Value.** The result value is one of: IEEE\_SIGNALING\_NAN, IEEE\_QUIET\_NAN, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_INF. Neither of the values IEEE\_SIGNALING\_NAN and IEEE\_QUIET\_NAN shall be returned unless IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(X) has the value true. Neither of the values IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF and IEEE\_POSITIVE\_INF shall be returned unless IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X) has the value true. Neither of the values IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL and IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL shall be returned unless IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL was the value true.

**Example.** IEEE\_CLASS(-1.0) has the value IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL.

#### 15.9.2 IEEE\_COPY\_SIGN (X, Y)

Description. IEEE copysign function.

**Class.** Elemental function.

Arguments. The arguments shall be of type real and such that both IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X)

and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(Y) have the value true.

Result Characteristics. Same as X.

**Result Value.** The result has the value of X with the sign of Y. This is true even for IEEE special values, such as NaN and Inf (on processors supporting such values).

**Examples.** The value of IEEE\_COPY\_SIGN(X,1.0) is ABS(X) even when X is NaN. The value of IEEE\_COPY\_SIGN(-X,1.0) is X copied with its sign reversed, not 0-x; the distinction is germane when X is +0, -0, or NaN.

#### 15.9.3 IEEE\_GET\_FLAG (FLAG, FLAG\_VALUE)

Description. Get an exception flag.

Class. Elemental subroutine.

#### Arguments.

- FLAG shall be of type TYPE(IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(IN) argument and specifies the IEEE flag to be obtained.
- FLAG\_VALUE shall be of type default logical. It is an INTENT(OUT) argument. If the value of FLAG is IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, or IEEE\_INEXACT, the result value is true if the corresponding exception flag is signaling and is false otherwise.

**Example.** Following CALL IEEE\_GET\_FLAG(IEEE\_OVERFLOW,FLAG\_VALUE), FLAG\_VALUE is true if the overflow flag is signaling and is false if it is quiet.

#### 15.9.4 IEEE\_GET\_HALTING\_MODE (FLAG, HALTING)

Description. Get halting mode for an exception.

Class. Elemental subroutine.

#### Arguments.

- FLAG shall be of type TYPE(IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(IN) argument and specifies the IEEE flag. It shall have one of the values IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT.
- HALTING shall be scalar and of type default logical. It is of INTENT(OUT). The value is true if the exception specified by FLAG will cause halting. Otherwise, the value is false.

**Example.** To store the halting mode for overflow, do a calculation without halting, and restore the halting mode later:

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
LOGICAL HALTING
  :
CALL IEEE_GET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_OVERFLOW,HALTING) ! Store halting mode
CALL IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_OVERFLOW,.FALSE.) ! No halting
  : ! calculation without halting
CALL IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_OVERFLOW,HALTING) ! Restore halting mode
```

Notes: The initial halting mode is processor dependent. Halting is not precise and may occur some time after the exception has occurred.

## 15.9.5 IEEE\_GET\_ROUNDING\_MODE (ROUND\_VALUE)

Description. Get the current IEEE rounding mode.

Class. Subroutine.

**Argument.** ROUND\_VALUE shall be scalar of type TYPE(IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(OUT) argument and returns the floating point rounding mode, with value IEEE\_NEAREST, IEEE\_TO\_ZERO, IEEE\_UP, or IEEE\_DOWN if one of the IEEE modes is in operation and IEEE\_OTHER otherwise.

**Example.** To store the rounding mode, do a calculation with round to nearest, and restore the rounding mode later:

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
TYPE(IEEE_ROUND_TYPE) ROUND_VALUE
  :
CALL IEEE_GET_ROUNDING_MODE(ROUND_VALUE) ! Store the rounding mode
CALL IEEE_SET_ROUNDING_MODE(IEEE_NEAREST)
  : ! calculation with round to nearest
CALL IEEE_SET_ROUNDING_MODE(ROUND_VALUE) ! Restore the rounding mode
```

Note. The result can legally be used only in an IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING\_MODE invocation.

#### 15.9.6 IEEE\_GET\_STATUS (STATUS\_VALUE)

**Description.** Get the current values of the set of flags that define the current floating point status, including all the exception flags.

Class. Subroutine.

**Arguments.** STATUS\_VALUE shall be scalar of type TYPE(IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(OUT) argument and returns the floating point status.

**Example.** To store all the exception flags, do a calculation involving exception handling, and restore them later:

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
TYPE(IEEE_STATUS_TYPE) STATUS_VALUE
  :
CALL IEEE_GET_STATUS(STATUS_VALUE) ! Get the flags
CALL IEEE_SET_FLAG(IEEE_ALL,.FALSE.) ! Set the flags quiet.
  : ! calculation involving exception handling
CALL IEEE_SET_STATUS(STATUS_VALUE) ! Restore the flags
```

Note. The result can be used only in an IEEE\_SET\_STATUS invocation.

#### 15.9.7 IEEE\_IS\_FINITE (X)

Description. Whether a value is finite.

Class. Elemental function.

Argument. X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the value of X is finite, that is, IEEE\_CLASS(X) has one of the values IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL, and IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL; otherwise, the result has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_IS\_FINITE(1.0) has the value true.

#### 15.9.8 IEEE\_IS\_NAN (X)

Description. Whether a value is IEEE Not-a-Number.

Class. Elemental function.

**Argument.** X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(X) has the value true.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the value of X is an IEEE NaN; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_IS\_NAN(SQRT(-1.0)) has the value true if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT(1.0) has the value true.

#### 15.9.9 IEEE\_IS\_NEGATIVE (X)

**Description.** Whether a value is negative.

**Class.** Elemental function.

Argument. X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if IEEE\_CLASS(X) has one of the values IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO and IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF; otherwise, the result has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_IS\_NEGATIVE(0.0)) has the value false.

#### 15.9.10 IEEE\_IS\_NORMAL (X)

Description. Whether a value is normal, that is, neither an Infinity, a NaN, nor denormalized.

Class. Elemental function.

**Argument.** X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if IEEE\_CLASS(X) has one of the values IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO and IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL; otherwise, the result has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_IS\_NORMAL(SQRT(-1.0)) has the value false if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT(1.0) has the value true.

#### **15.9.11 IEEE\_LOGB (X)**

**Description.** Unbiased exponent in the IEEE floating point format.

Class. Elemental function.

**Argument.** X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

**Result Characteristics.** Same as X.

## **Result Value.**

- *Case (i):* If the value of X is neither zero, infinity, nor NaN, the result has the value of the unbiased exponent of X.
- *Case (ii):* If X==0, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO signals and the result is –Inf if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X) is true and –HUGE(X) otherwise.
- Case (iii): If X has an infinite value, the result is +Inf.
- Case (iv): If X has a quiet NaN value, the result is the same NaN.
- Case (v): If X has a signaling NaN value, the result is a quiet NaN.

Note: Cases (iii) and (iv) cannot occur on processors that lack Inf and NaN values.

**Example.** IEEE\_LOGB(-1.1) has the value 0.0.

### 15.9.12 IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER (X, Y)

Description. Returns the next representable neighbor of X in the direction toward Y.

Class. Elemental function.

**Arguments.** The arguments shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(Y) have the value true.

Result Characteristics. Same as X.

#### **Result Value.**

*Case (i):* If X == Y, the result is X without any exception ever being signaled.

*Case (ii):* If X /= Y, the result has the value of the next representable neighbor of X in the direction of Y. The neighbors of zero (of either sign) are both nonzero. If either X or Y is a NaN, the result is one or the other of the input NaNs. Overflow is signaled when X is finite but IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER(X,Y) is infinite; underflow is signaled when IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER(X,Y) is denormalized; in both cases, IEEE\_INEXACT signals.

**Example.** The value of IEEE\_NEXT\_AFTER(1.0,2.0) is 1.0+EPSILON(X).

#### **15.9.13 IEEE\_RINT (X)**

Description. Round to an integer value according to the current rounding mode.

Class. Elemental function.

Argument. X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

Result Characteristics. Same as X.

**Result Value.** The value of the result is the value of X rounded to an integer according to the current rounding mode. If the result has the value zero, the sign is that of X.

**Examples.** If the current rounding mode is round-to-nearest, the value of IEEE\_RINT(1.1) is 1.0. If the current rounding mode is round-up, the value of IEEE\_RINT(1.1) is 2.0.

#### 15.9.14 IEEE\_SCALB (X, I)

**Description.** Returns  $2^{I}X$ .

Class. Elemental function.

#### Arguments.

X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

I shall be of type integer.

#### Result Characteristics. Same as X.

#### **Result Value.**

*Case (i):* If  $2^{I}X$  is within the range of normalized numbers, the result has this value.

- *Case (ii):* If 2<sup>I</sup>X is too large, the overflow exception shall occur. If IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X) is true, the result value is infinity with the sign of X; otherwise, the result value is SIGN(HUGE(X),X).
- *Case (iii):* If  $2^{T}X$  is too small, the underflow exception shall occur. The result is the nearest representable number with the sign of X.

**Example.** The value of IEEE\_SCALB(1.0,2) is 4.0.

#### 15.9.15 IEEE\_SELECTED\_REAL\_KIND ([P, R])

**Description.** Returns a value of the kind type parameter of a IEEE real data type with decimal precision of at least P digits and a decimal exponent range of at least R. For data objects of such a type, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

Class. Transformational function.

Arguments. At least one argument shall be present.

P (optional) shall be scalar and of type integer.

R (optional) shall be scalar and of type integer.

Result Characteristics. Default integer scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has a value equal to a value of the kind type parameter of a IEEE real data type with decimal precision, as returned by the function PRECISION, of at least P digits and a decimal exponent range, as returned by the function RANGE, of at least R, or if no such kind type parameter is available on the processor, the result is -1 if the precision is not available, -2 if the exponent range is not available, and -3 if neither is available. If more than one kind type parameter value meets the criteria, the value returned is the one with the smallest decimal precision, unless there are several such values, in which case the smallest of these kind values is returned.

**Example.** IEEE\_SELECTED\_REAL\_KIND(6,70) has the value KIND(0.0) on a machine that supports IEEE single precision arithmetic for its default real approximation method.

#### 15.9.16 IEEE\_SET\_FLAG (FLAG, FLAG\_VALUE)

**Description.** Assign a value to an exception flag.

Class. Elemental subroutine.

#### Arguments.

- FLAG shall be of type TYPE(IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(IN) argument. If the value of FLAG is IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, or IEEE\_INEXACT, the corresponding exception flag is assigned a value.
- FLAG\_VALUE shall be of type default logical. It is an INTENT(IN) argument. If it has the value true, the flag is set to be signaling; otherwise, the flag to set to be quiet.

Example. CALL IEEE\_SET\_FLAG(IEEE\_OVERFLOW,.TRUE.) sets the overflow flag to be signaling.

#### 15.9.17 IEEE\_SET\_HALTING\_MODE (FLAG, HALTING)

Description. Controls continuation or halting after an exception.

Class. Elemental subroutine.

#### Arguments.

- FLAG shall be scalar and of type TYPE(IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE). It is of INTENT(IN) and shall have one of the values: IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT.
- HALTING shall be scalar and of type default logical. It is of INTENT(IN). If the value is true, the exception specified by FLAG will cause halting. Otherwise, execution will continue after this exception. The processor must either already be treating this exception in this way or be capable of changing the mode so that it does.

**Example.** CALL IEEE\_SET\_HALTING\_MODE(IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO,.TRUE.) causes halting after a divide\_by\_zero exception.

Notes: The initial halting mode is processor dependent. Halting is not precise and may occur some time after the exception has occurred.

#### 15.9.18 IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING\_MODE (ROUND\_VALUE)

Description. Set the current IEEE rounding mode.

Class. Subroutine.

**Argument.** ROUND\_VALUE shall be scalar and of type TYPE(IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(IN) argument and specifies the mode to be set. IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING (ROUND\_VALUE,X) shall be true for any X such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) is true.

**Example.** To store the rounding mode, do a calculation with round to nearest, and restore the rounding mode later:

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
TYPE(IEEE_ROUND_TYPE) ROUND_VALUE
  :
CALL IEEE_GET_ROUNDING_MODE(ROUND_VALUE) ! Store the rounding mode
CALL IEEE_SET_ROUNDING_MODE(IEEE_NEAREST)
  : ! calculation with round to nearest
CALL IEEE_SET_ROUNDING_MODE(ROUND_VALUE) ! Restore the rounding mode
```

#### 15.9.19 IEEE\_SET\_STATUS (STATUS\_VALUE)

**Description.** Restore the values of the set of flags that define the floating point status.

Class. Subroutine.

**Argument.** STATUS\_VALUE shall be scalar and of type TYPE(IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(IN) argument. Its value shall have been set in a previous invocation of IEEE\_GET\_STATUS.

**Example.** To store all the exceptions flags, do a calculation involving exception handling, and restore them later:

USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE\_ARITHMETIC TYPE(IEEE\_STATUS\_TYPE) STATUS\_VALUE : CALL IEEE\_GET\_STATUS(STATUS\_VALUE) ! Store the flags

CALL IEEE\_SET\_FLAGS(IEEE\_ALL,.FALSE.) ! Set them quiet : ! calculation involving exception handling CALL IEEE\_SET\_STATUS(STATUS\_VALUE) ! Restore the flags

Note: Getting and setting may be expensive operations. It is the programmer's responsibility to do it when necessary to assure correct results.

## 15.9.20 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE ([X])

Description. Inquire if the processor supports IEEE arithmetic.

Class. Inquiry function.

Argument. X (optional) shall be scalar and of type real.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports IEEE arithmetic for all reals (X absent) or for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false. Here, support means employing an IEEE data format and performing the operations of +, -, and \* as in the IEEE standard whenever the operands and result all have normal values.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(1.0) has the value true if default reals are implemented as in the IEEE standard except that underflowed values flush to zero instead of being denormal.

#### 15.9.21 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL ([X])

**Description.** Inquire if the processor supports IEEE denormalized numbers.

Class. Inquiry function.

**Argument.** X (optional) shall of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports arithmetic operations and assignments with denormalized numbers (biased exponent e = 0 and fraction  $f \neq 0$ , see section 3.2 of the IEEE standard) for all reals (X absent) or for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL(X) has the value true if the processor supports denormalized numbers for X.

Notes: The denormalized numbers are not included in the 13.7.1 model for real numbers and all satisfy the inequality ABS(X) < TINY(X). They usually occur as a result of an arithmetic operation whose exact result is less than TINY(X). Such an operation causes underflow to signal unless the result is exact. IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) is false if the processor never returns a denormalized number as the result of an arithmetic operation.

## 15.9.22 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE ([X])

Description. Inquire if the processor supports divide with the accuracy specified by the IEEE standard.

Class. Inquiry function.

**Argument.** X (optional) shall of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports divide with the accuracy specified by the IEEE standard for all reals (X absent) or for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE(X) has the value true if the processor supports IEEE divide for X.

#### 15.9.23 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG (FLAG [, X])

Description. Inquire if the processor supports an exception.

Class. Inquiry function.

#### Arguments.

FLAG shall be scalar and of type TYPE(IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE). Its value shall be one of IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT.

X (optional) shall of type real. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports detection of the specified exception for all reals (X absent) or for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** ALL(IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG(IEEE\_ALL)) has the value true if the processor supports all the exceptions.

## 15.9.24 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING (FLAG)

**Description.** Inquire if the processor supports the ability to control during program execution whether to abort or continue execution after an exception.

Class. Inquiry function.

**Argument.** FLAG shall be of type TYPE(IEEE\_FLAG\_TYPE). It is an INTENT(IN) argument. Its value shall be one of IEEE\_INVALID, IEEE\_OVERFLOW, IEEE\_DIVIDE\_BY\_ZERO, IEEE\_UNDERFLOW, and IEEE\_INEXACT.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports the ability to control during program execution whether to abort or continue execution after the exception specified by FLAG; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(IEEE\_OVERFLOW) has the value true if the processor supports control of halting after an overflow.

#### 15.9.25 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF ([X])

**Description.** Inquire if processor supports the IEEE infinity facility.

Class. Inquiry function.

**Argument.** X (optional) shall of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports IEEE infinities (positive and negative) for all reals (X absent) or for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it

has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X) has the value true if the processor supports IEEE infinities for X.

## 15.9.26 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN ([X])

**Description.** Inquire if processor supports the IEEE Not-A-Number facility.

Class. Inquiry function.

**Argument.** X (optional) shall of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports IEEE NaNs for all reals (X absent) of for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(X) has the value true if the processor supports IEEE NaNs for X.

## 15.9.27 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING (ROUND\_VALUE [,X])

Description. Inquire if processor supports a particular rounding mode for IEEE kinds of reals.

Class. Inquiry function.

Arguments.

ROUND\_VALUE shall be of type TYPE(IEEE\_ROUND\_TYPE).

X (optional) shall of type real. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports the rounding mode defined by ROUND\_VALUE for all reals (X absent) or for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false. Here, support shall include the ability to change the mode by CALL IEEE\_SET\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE).

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING(IEEE\_TO\_ZERO) has the value true if the processor supports rounding to zero for all reals.

#### 15.9.28 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT ([X])

**Description.** Inquire if the processor supports IEEE square root.

Class. Inquiry function.

**Argument.** X (optional) shall of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if the processor supports IEEE square root for all reals (X absent) of for real variables of the same kind type parameter as X; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT(X) has the value true if the processor supports IEEE square root for X.

## 15.9.29 IEEE\_SUPPORT\_STANDARD ([X])

**Description.** Inquire if processor supports all the IEEE facilities defined in this standard.

Class. Inquiry function.

Argument. X (optional) shall of type real. It may be scalar or array valued.

Result Characteristics. Default logical scalar.

#### **Result Value.**

- Case (i): If X is absent, the result has the value true if the results of all the functions IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL(), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE(), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG(FLAG) for valid FLAG, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(FLAG) for valid FLAG, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE) for valid ROUND\_VALUE, and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT() are all true; otherwise, the result has the value false.
- *Case (ii):* If X is present, the result has the value true if the results of all the functions IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL(X), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DIVIDE(X), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_FLAG(FLAG,X) for valid FLAG, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_HALTING(FLAG) for valid FLAG, IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(X), IEEE\_SUPPORT\_ROUNDING(ROUND\_VALUE,X) for valid ROUND\_VALUE, and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT(X) are all true; otherwise, the result has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_SUPPORT\_STANDARD() has the value false if the processor supports both IEEE and non-IEEE kinds of reals.

#### 15.9.30 IEEE\_UNORDERED (X, Y)

Description. IEEE unordered function. True if X or Y is a NaN, and false otherwise.

Class. Elemental function.

**Arguments.** The arguments shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) and IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(Y) have the value true.

Result Characteristics. Same as X.

**Result Value.** The result has the value true if X or Y is a NaN or both are NaNs; otherwise, it has the value false.

**Example.** IEEE\_UNORDERED(0.0,SQRT(-1.0)) has the value true if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_SQRT(1.0) has the value true.

#### 15.9.31 IEEE\_VALUE (X, CLASS)

Description. Generate an IEEE value.

Class. Elemental function.

#### Arguments.

X shall be of type real and such that IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DATATYPE(X) has the value true.

CLASS shall be of type TYPE(IEEE\_CLASS\_TYPE). The value of is permitted to be:

(a) IEEE\_SIGNALING\_NAN or IEEE\_QUIET\_NAN if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_NAN(X) has the value true,

- (b) IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF or IEEE\_POSITIVE\_INF if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_INF(X) has the value true,
- (c) IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_DENORMAL or IEEE\_POSITIVE\_DENORMAL if IEEE\_SUPPORT\_DENORMAL(X) has the value true,
- (d) IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_NORMAL, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_ZERO, IEEE\_POSITIVE\_ZERO or IEEE\_POSITIVE\_NORMAL.

**Result Characteristics.** Same as X.

**Result Value.** The result value is an IEEE value as specified by CLASS. Although in most cases the value is processor dependent, the value shall not vary between invocations for any particular X kind type parameter and CLASS value.

**Example.** IEEE\_VALUE(1.0, IEEE\_NEGATIVE\_INF) has the value –Infinity.

## 15.10 Examples

## Example 1:

```
MODULE DOT
! Module for dot product of two real arrays of rank 1.
! The caller must ensure that exceptions do not cause halting.
     USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS
     LOGICAL MATRIX_ERROR
     INTERFACE OPERATOR(.dot.)
        MODULE PROCEDURE MULT
     END INTERFACE
  CONTAINS
     REAL FUNCTION MULT(A,B)
        REAL, INTENT(IN) :: A(:),B(:)
         INTEGER I
        LOGICAL OVERFLOW
         IF (SIZE(A)/=SIZE(B)) THEN
            MATRIX_ERROR = .TRUE.
            RETURN
        END IF
! The processor ensures that IEEE_OVERFLOW is quiet
        MULT = 0.0
        DO I = 1, SIZE(A)
            MULT = MULT + A(I) * B(I)
         END DO
         CALL IEEE_GET_FLAG(IEEE_OVERFLOW, OVERFLOW)
         IF (OVERFLOW) MATRIX_ERROR = .TRUE.
     END FUNCTION MULT
  END MODULE DOT
```

This module provides the dot product of two real arrays of rank 1. If the sizes of the arrays are different, an immediate return occurs with MATRIX ERROR true. If overflow occurs during the actual calculation, the overflow flag will signal and MATRIX\_ERROR will be true.

#### **Example 2:**

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE EXCEPTIONS
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE FEATURES, ONLY: IEEE INVALID FLAG
! The other exceptions of IEEE_USUAL (IEEE_OVERFLOW and
! IEEE_DIVIDE_BY_ZERO) are always available with IEEE_EXCEPTIONS
TYPE(IEEE STATUS TYPE) STATUS VALUE
LOGICAL, DIMENSION(3) :: FLAG_VALUE
CALL IEEE_GET_STATUS(STATUS_VALUE)
CALL IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_USUAL, .FALSE.) ! Needed in case the
                  default on the processor is to halt on exceptions
!
CALL IEEE SET FLAG(IEEE USUAL, .FALSE.)
! First try the "fast" algorithm for inverting a matrix:
MATRIX1 = FAST_INV(MATRIX) ! This must not alter MATRIX.
CALL IEEE_GET_FLAG(IEEE_USUAL,FLAG_VALUE)
IF (ANY(FLAG_VALUE)) THEN
! "Fast" algorithm failed; try "slow" one:
  CALL IEEE_SET_FLAG(IEEE_USUAL, .FALSE.)
  MATRIX1 = SLOW_INV(MATRIX)
  CALL IEEE_GET_FLAG(IEEE_USUAL,FLAG_VALUE)
   IF (ANY(FLAG_VALUE)) THEN
      WRITE (*, *) 'Cannot invert matrix'
      STOP
   END IF
END IF
CALL IEEE_SET_STATUS(STATUS_VALUE)
```

In this example, the function FAST\_INV may cause a condition to signal. If it does, another try is made with SLOW\_INV. If this still fails, a message is printed and the program stops. Note, also, that it is important to set the flags quiet before the second try. The state of all the flags is stored and restored.

#### **Example 3:**

```
USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_EXCEPTIONS
LOGICAL FLAG_VALUE
  :
CALL IEEE_SET_HALTING_MODE(IEEE_OVERFLOW,.FALSE.)
! First try a fast algorithm for inverting a matrix.
CALL IEEE_SET_FLAG(IEEE_OVERFLOW,.FALSE.)
DO K = 1, N
  :
   CALL IEEE_GET_FLAG(IEEE_OVERFLOW,FLAG_VALUE)
   IF (FLAG_VALUE) EXIT
END DO
IF (FLAG_VALUE) THEN
! Alternative code which knows that K-1 steps have executed normally.
:
END IF
```

Here the code for matrix inversion is in line and the transfer is made more precise by adding extra tests of the flag.

#### **Example 4:**

```
REAL FUNCTION HYPOT(X, Y)
! In rare circumstances this may lead to the signaling of IEEE_OVERFLOW
! The caller must ensure that exceptions do not cause halting.
   USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_ARITHMETIC
   USE, INTRINSIC :: IEEE_FEATURES, ONLY: IEEE_UNDERFLOW_FLAG
! IEEE OVERFLOW is always available with IEEE ARITHMETIC
  REAL X, Y
  REAL SCALED X, SCALED Y, SCALED RESULT
  LOGICAL, DIMENSION(2) :: FLAGS
   TYPE(IEEE_FLAG_TYPE), PARAMETER, DIMENSION(2) :: &
          OUT OF RANGE = (/ IEEE OVERFLOW, IEEE UNDERFLOW /)
   INTRINSIC SORT, ABS, EXPONENT, MAX, DIGITS, SCALE
! The processor clears the flags on entry
! Try a fast algorithm first
  HYPOT = SQRT( X^{*}2 + Y^{*}2)
  CALL IEEE_GET_FLAG(OUT_OF_RANGE,FLAGS)
   IF ( ANY(FLAGS) ) THEN
    CALL IEEE SET FLAG(OUT OF RANGE, .FALSE.)
     IF ( X==0.0 .OR. Y==0.0 ) THEN
      HYPOT = ABS(X) + ABS(Y)
     ELSE IF ( 2*ABS(EXPONENT(X)-EXPONENT(Y)) > DIGITS(X)+1 ) THEN
      HYPOT = MAX(ABS(X), ABS(Y))! one of X and Y can be ignored
               ! scale so that ABS(X) is near 1
      ELSE
       SCALED_X = SCALE( X, -EXPONENT(X) )
       SCALED Y = SCALE(Y, -EXPONENT(X))
       SCALED_RESULT = SQRT( SCALED_X**2 + SCALED_Y**2 )
      HYPOT = SCALE( SCALED_RESULT, EXPONENT(X) ) ! may cause overflow
     END IF
   END IF
! The processor resets any flag that was signaling on entry
END FUNCTION HYPOT
```

An attempt is made to evaluate this function directly in the fastest possible way. This will work almost every time, but if an exception occurs during this fast computation, a safe but slower way evaluates the function. This slower evaluation may involve scaling and unscaling, and in (very rare) extreme cases this unscaling can cause overflow (after all, the true result might overflow if X and Y are both near the overflow limit). If the overflow or underflow flag is signaling on entry, it is reset on return by the processor, so that earlier exceptions are not lost.