

If n is not present then the number is output in scientific notation, with a mantissa and an exponent. If the number is negative then a minus sign is output prior to the mantissa, otherwise a space is output. The number is always output to at least one decimal place up to a maximum of 5 decimal places and the exponent is always signed (either with a plus or minus sign). This means that the minimum width of the scientific representation is 8 characters; if the field width m is less than 8 then the full width of 12 characters will always be output. If $m > 8$ then one or more decimal places will be output up to a maximum of 5 decimal places ($m=12$). For $m > 12$ leading spaces are inserted before the number. Examples:

WRITE(-1.23E 10:m);

m=7 gives: -1.23000E+10
m=8 gives: -1.2E+10
m=9 gives: -1.23E+10
m=10 gives: -1.230E+10
m=11 gives: -1.2300E+10
m=12 gives: -1.23000E+10
m=13 gives: -1.23000E+10

If the form $\langle e \rangle : \langle m \rangle$ is used then a fixed-point representation of the number e will be written with n specifying the number of decimal places to be output. No leading spaces will be output unless the field width m is sufficiently large. If n is zero then e is output as an integer. If e is too large to be output in the specified field width then it is output in scientific format with a field width of m (see above). Examples:

WRITE(1E2:2) gives: 100.00
WRITE(1E2:3) gives: -100.00
WRITE(23.455:5:1) gives: -23.5
WRITE(23.455:4:2) gives: -23.4550E+01
WRITE(23.455:4:0) gives: -23

4) e is of type character or type string.

Either $\langle e \rangle$ or $\langle e \rangle : \langle m \rangle$ may be used and the character or string of characters will be output in a minimum field width of 1 (for characters) or the length of the string (for string types). Leading spaces are inserted if m is sufficiently large.

5) e is of type Boolean.

Either $\langle e \rangle$ or $\langle e \rangle : \langle m \rangle$ may be used and 'TRUE' or 'FALSE' will be output depending on the Boolean value of e , using a minimum field width of 4 or 5 respectively.