

Modular GRMHD: Con2Prim Routines

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- Work has begun on conservative-to-primitive routines, equation of state code, and reconstruction code

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- Most common background for current physicists is Python and basic C++
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 - Python for codegen (NRPy+)
 - C with minimal data structures, minimal abstraction

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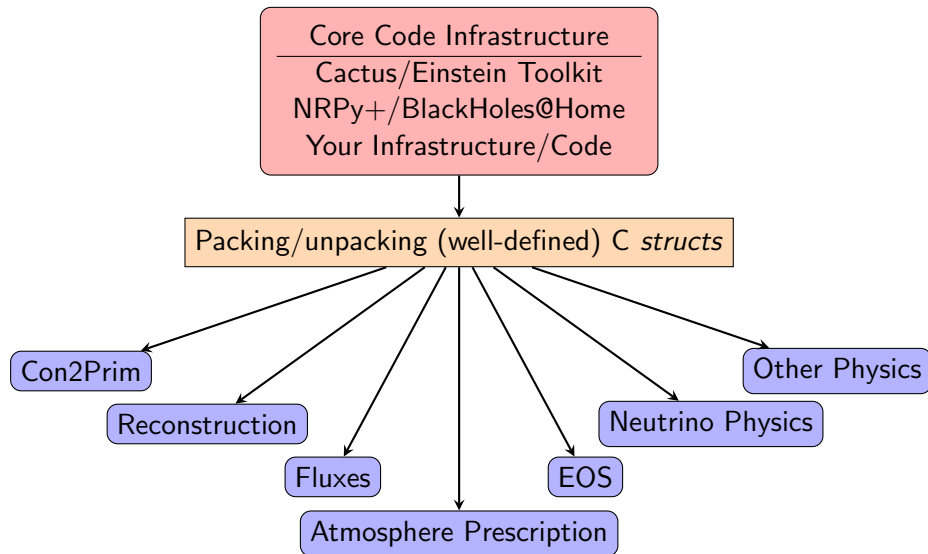
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- Ultimate goals of modularization are to
 - “de-EinsteinToolkitify” IllinoisGRMHD
 - aim for zero dependencies on other codes

while adopting best practices in code development, such as

- Extensive documentation (via Jupyter notebooks)
- Automatic codegen whenever useful (via NRPy+)
- Self-contained unit tests for each module (with their own main() functions)
- “Perfect” examples of how to implement the module



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- Implementation of a new routine can be immediately tested and used by others once it is made public.

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- Functions for packing/unpacking the structs are provided

Con2Prim Pseudocode

```
Declare/initialize GRMHD_parameters params;
Declare/initialize eos_parameters eos;
Declare/initialize con2prim_diagnostics diagnostics;
OMP for (loop over grid)
{
  Declare/initialize metric_quantities metric;
  Declare/initialize primitive_quantities prims, prims_guess;
  Declare/initialize conservative_quantities cons, cons_undens;
  apply_inequality_fixes( &params, &eos, &metric, &prims, &cons, &diagnostics);
  undensitize_conservatives( &eos, &metric, &prims, &cons, &cons_undens );
  guess_primitives( &eos, &metric, &prims, &cons, &prims_guess );
  con2prim_method( &eos, &metric, &cons_undens, &prims_guess, &diagnostics );
  if(con2prim fails)
    font_fix( &eos, &metric, &cons_undens, &prims, &prims_guess, &diagnostics);
  return_primitives(&prims, primitive variable pointers);
  return_conservatives(&cons, conservative variable pointers);
}

diagnostic_report(&diagnostics);
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- Code will move to a different location eventually, but my working version is available at https://github.com/SamuelCupp/Con2Prim_beta