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Abstract

A tool written in PERL 5.001 which partially automates the porting of F77 code into F90 code is presented. Despite it allows only simple operations, the tool reduces largely the amount of trivial editing in order to transform a F77 code into a F90 code which follows the *Fortran 90 Guidelines* prescriptions.

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1. Introduction

In order to perform conversion of already written F77 code into F90, which rigorously follows the *Fortran 90 Programming Guidelines* (Maris (1999)) a lot of straightforward editing work is required. For this reason, it would be helpful to have tools which allows a reduction of the repetitive work. Such operation requires extensive but simple parsing, text analysis and patter matching of the code to be converted while speed does not represent a problem. More over, since not all the existing F77/F90 code is written rigorously, the conversion tool must be simple to be adapted to handle specific, frequent errors in the source code. For this reason it is more convenient to use a script language instead of a compiled one like C + Yac + Lex. For this project PERL is the language of choice since it is especially designed to perform textual analysis and handle lists of strings.

2. The Interface

In the present version the tool is based on a PERL script named: `f772f90.pl`, which may is used by the command line. The script requires in input the name of the input file and the name of the output files. File names must be different. Optionally it is possible to change the Verbosity of the tool, which by default is settled to its maximum level.

The code is started by the command line:


```
perl f772f90.pl <<InputFile>> <<OutputFile>> [<<Verbosity>>]
```

by example:

```
perl f772f90.pl fft.f fft.f90
```

3. Verbosity

During operation the tool will produce a message for each operation it will perform on the source code. The amount of messages is indicated by the `Verbosity` parameter according to the following description.

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Verbosity = 0: No messages are produced

Verbosity = 1: Only those input lines, which are modified, are displayed.

Verbosity = 2: Both input and output lines, which are modified, are displayed.

default verbosity is 2.

4. Operations

At the beginning of the input code a short comment block is added stating the operation performed.

The comment sounds similar to the following example:

```

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
!
! This code has been formatted in F90 + Fortran 90 Guidelines style using
! f772f90.pl - 0.0 - By M. Maris - 23 May 2000 -
!
! Original Name : planck_HEALPIX_lfft_all_new_cp.f
! Final      Name : fs.f90
! Date           : Wed May 24 08:15:31 2000
! Operated by    : M. Maris
!
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

```

Then line by line the following operations are applied to the input code:

1. **Object:** Comment lines

Pattern: First column character * c or C

Action: First column character replaced by !


2. **Object:** Continuation characters.

Pattern: Individuated by *, +, &, 0, 1, ..., 9; in column 6th or 7th preceded by 5 or 6 blanks.

Action: The continuation character is replaced by &.

At the first line, which is not a comment line, before the current one an & is added.

The program tries to take in account:

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+ Double quotes “ in order to avoid to consider the content of strings.

+ In order to avoid to queue & to a comment, the & is inserted between the last valid character and the “!”.

5. Side Effects

The only side effect up to now produced by the PERL script on the generated file is the insertion, time by time, of an extra space character at the end of the translated code line.

6. Known Bugs

In the present version an exclamation mark in 6th column “!” is understood as the beginning of a comment line. Since an exclamation mark in column 6th is rarely used as a continuation, presently the bug is not fixed, but the original code has to be cleaned by such continuation symbols before to proceed.

7. Efficiency

The speed is quite high. The conversion of a 7189 lines file with 1595 Comment Replacements, 440 Continuation Characters Replacements and 440 Continuation Characters Chaining plus I/O disk operations on a SUN Solaris machines requires 2 seconds. The error rate in the Comment Replacement zero as in performing Continuation Characters Replacements and Continuation Characters Chaining. However, especially for the second operation, it cannot be excluded a bit smaller efficiency in some exceptional situations for which the rules previously defined does not hold.

8. History

March 23, 2000: First Release of f772f90.pl and related documentation.

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Appendix: The PERL Script

This appendix is the PERL script version 0.0 – 23 May 2000.

```

#
# f772f90.pl - 0.0 - By M. Maris - 23 May 2000 -
#
# usage f772f90.pl <<InputFile>> <<OutputFile>> [<<Verbosity>>]
#

# Starting header
$Verbosity = 2;

$Today = gmtime(time);

$Operator = '';

$Version = "f772f90.pl - 0.0 - By M. Maris - 23 May 2000 -";

print << "EOH";
$Version

usage f772f90.pl <<InputFile>> <<OutputFile>> [<<Verbosity>>]

Verbosity : 0 None
            : 1 Only input displayed
            : 2 Input/Output displayed
            default = $Verbosity

EOH


# Parameters consistency check
$InputFile  = $ARGV[0]; if (length($InputFile) == 0) { die "Missing input name" };
$OutputFile = $ARGV[1]; if (length($OutputFile) == 0) { die "Missing output name" };

if ($InputFile eq $OutputFile) { die "Input file can not be equal to output file" };

if ($#ARGV == 2) {
    $Verbosity = $ARGV[2];
};

# Source scan
open FID, '<'. $InputFile;

```


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```

@Listing = <FID>;
close(FID);

# resets statistical counters
$NLineInput = $#Listing+1;
$NCommentRep = 0;
$NContinuationRep = 0;
$NContiunationChain = 0;

#
# Begin of Operations
#


# Scans for c, C or * in the first column and replaces with !
$NLine = 0;
for $NLine (0..$#Listing) {
    $key = $Listing[$NLine];
    if ($key =~ m/^[cC*]/) {
        if ($Verbosity > 0) {
            print "COMMENT REPLACED (C -> !) at column 1, Line ", $NLine+1, "\n";
            print ">>", $key;
        };
        substr($key,0,1) = '!';
        $Listing[$NLine] = $key;
        if ($Verbosity > 1) {
            print "<<", $Listing[$NLine];
        };
        $NCommentRep = $NCommentRep+1;
    };
};

# Scans for any character in the 6th column, if required replace with
# & and if absent at the end of the previous line, adds it

if ($Listing[0] =~ /\s*!/) {
    $LastNotCommentLine = 0;
} else {
    $LastNotCommentLine = 1;
};

for $l (1..$#Listing) {
    $key = $Listing[$l];

```

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```

if ($key =~ /^\\s*!/) { # it is a comment line
} else {
  if ($key =~ /^[ ]{5,6}[*!.+&0-9]/) {

    if (substr($key,0,6) eq '      ') {
      $SixthChar = substr($key,6,1);
    } else {
      $SixthChar = substr($key,5,1);
    };
    if ($SixthChar ne ' ') {
      if ($Verbosity > 0) {
        print "CONTINUATION CHARACTER REPLACE & at column 6 Line ", $NLine+1, "\n";
        print ">>", $key;
      };

      substr($key,5,1) = '&';
      $Listing[$l] = $key;

      $NContinuationRep = $NContinuationRep+1;

      if ($Verbosity > 1) {
        print "<<", $Listing[$l];
      };

      $key = $Listing[$LastNotCommentLine];

      $Virgolette = 0;
      $CommentCol = -1;
      $ContinuationCol = -1;
      $SkipFlag = 0;

      substr($key,length($key)-1,1) = " ";
      $key = $key." \n";

      for $i (6..length($key)) { # Hunts for the continuation character
        if ($SkipFlag == 0) { # A termination event occurred
          if ($Virgolette == 0) { # it is not in a string
            if ( substr($key,$i,1) eq "'") {
              $Virgolette = 1;
            } else {
              if ( substr($key,$i,1) eq '!') { # Finds a comment
                $CommentCol = $i;
                $SkipFlag = 1;
              } else {

```

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if ( substr($key,$i,1) eq '&' ) { # Finds a F90 continuation mark

    $_ = substr($key,$i+1,length($key));

    $mark = 1;
    for $j (0..length($_)) {
        if (substr($_,$j,1) = /[!\s]/) { } else {
            $mark = 0 };
    };
    if ($mark == 0) { # the rest of line or is empty or is a comment
        $ContinuationCol = $i;
        $SkipFlag = 1;
    } else {
        $ContinuationCol = -1;
    };
};

} else { # it is in a string
    if ( substr($key,$i,1) eq '"' ) { # looks for end-of-string
        $Virgolette = 0;
    };
};

};


if ($ContinuationCol == -1) { # No continuation found, add it
    if ($Verbosity > 0) {
        print "CONTINUATION CHARACTER ADDING at Line ", $LastNotCommentLine, "\n";
        print ">>", $key;
    };

    $NContinuationChain = $NContinuationChain+1;

    if ($CommentCol > -1) {
        $left = substr($key,0,$CommentCol-1);
        $right = substr($key,$CommentCol,length($key));
    } else {
        $left = substr($key,0,length($key)-1);
        $right = substr($key,length($key)-1,1);
    };

    $final = $left.' & '.$right;
    $Listing[$LastNotCommentLine] = $final;
    if ($Verbosity > 1) {

```

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```

        print "<<", $Listing[$LastNotCommentLine];
    };
};
};
} else {
};

$LastNotCommentLine = $l; # Marks this as the last non comment line
};
};

#
# operations end
#

# writes output
open FID, '>'. $OutputFile;

print FID << "CARTIGLIO"; # Adds a note at the text beginning

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
!
! This code has been formatted in F90 + Fortran 90 Guidelines style using
! $Version
!
! Original Name : $InputFile
! Final Name : $OutputFile
! Date : $Today
! Operated by : $Operator
!
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

CARTIGLIO

print FID @Listing;
close(FID);

print "\n<< Added a note at the beginning of the output file\n\n";

# bye bye message
print << "EOH1";
Conversion: $InputFile -> $OutputFile

```

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Relevant Statistics:

Lines : \$NLineInput
Comment Replacements : \$NCommentRep
Continuation Characters Replacements : \$NContinuationRep
Continuation Characters Chained : \$NContinuationChain

EOH1