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1. Introduction

Many lines of FORTRAN 90 code follows a regular pattern + variable substitutions i.e. CODE TEMPLATES. A mechanism to introduce CODE TEMPLATES in F90 through the use of a PERL 5.0 preprocessor is introduced. The advantage of CODE TEMPLATING is a relevant saving of time and errors in code writing once the template is properly defined. In this document a short discussion of FORTRAN templates and a tool to manage them is presented.

2. Rules

The first effort in developing these rules is to prevent miss compilation of FORTRAN code not properly processed.

1. Templates declarations must be not FORTRAN 90 keywords
2. Templates definitions must be removed from FORTRAN code after their readout
3. Templates definitions and calls must interfere with FORTRAN 90 keywords in order to prevent the compilation of code with missing parts.
4. Template command must hold one line only
5. Templates must be defined at the beginning of the F90 code outside any other F90 code.
6. Template syntax is PERL: variables are individuated by \$<<name>>
7. When requested a manual page may be generated for a given template
8. PERL commands to compose names may be added before the execution of the code generation
9. It is assumed that people creating templates knows few basic PERL programming, in particular:
 - i) scalar variables naming;
 - ii) scalar variables assignment;
 - iii) the meaning of the `local` attribute;
 - iv) string definition rules;
 - v) the string chaining operator ‘.’;
 - vi) the need of ‘;’ after each line.

Rule (9) is acceptable in the view that templates are written by few persons and applied by many.

3. Template Language

Templates are defined in a at the top of the FORTRAN90 file or in a separated file which is pasted at the top just before preprocessing.

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The definition part ends with the command

```
#END_F90_TEMPLATES_DEFINITIONS
```

Everything preceding this line and outside the single template definitions is skipped.

Two structures are used to define begin and end a template definition block:

```
#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE <<NAME>> <<ARGUMENTS>> (one line)
```

... Manual Lines

```
#END_MANUAL
```

... Preamble lines

```
#END_PREAMBLE
```

...

... F90 code + SUBSTITUTION MARKS

...

```
#END_F90_TEMPLATE <<NAME>> (one line)
```

Preamble are lines which has to be executed after parameters assignment but before to perform the execution of the template substitution. A typical usage is in case of ambiguous substitutions. As an example, let be you have to introduce a list of strings with the form: <<object>>_Temperature,

<<object>>_Current, <<object>>_Voltage (as an example is <<object>> = FEU then:

FEU_Temperature, FEU_Current, FEU_Voltage). One may define

```
#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE AMBIGUOUS OBJECT
```

```
! Variables for object $OBJECT
```

```
$OBJECT_Temperature = ...
```

```
$OBJECT_Current = ...
```

```
$OBJECT_Voltage = ...
```

```
#END_F90_TEMPLATE AMBIGUOUS OBJECT
```

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Unluckily this template will not work, since PERL will look not for the \$OBJECT keyword to be replaced, but for the \$OBJECT_Temperature, \$OBJECT_Current, \$OBJECT_Voltage to be replaced, since ‘_’ is a valid character for a variable name. The solution to prevent this case is to introduce a preamble in the definition where these names are defined starting from \$OBJECT.

```
#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE NOT_AMBIGUOUS OBJECT

    local $OBJECT_Temperature = $OBJECT.'_Temperature';
    local $OBJECT_Voltage = $OBJECT.'_Voltage';
    local $OBJECT_Current = $OBJECT.'_Current';

#END_PREAMBLE

! Variables for object $OBJECT

$OBJECT_Temperature = ...
$OBJECT_Current = ...
$OBJECT_Voltage = ...

#END_F90_TEMPLATE NOT_AMBIGUOUS OBJECT
```

note that PREAMBLE is a list of valid PERL lines, including ‘;’ at the end and note also the use of the local statement before each definition.

Manual are lines displayed when the –U option is given. They are detailed explanations about, as example, the template usage. As example:

```
#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE NOT_AMBIGUOUS OBJECT

    OBJECT = a valid OBJECT Name (ex.: FED)

#END_MANUAL

    local $OBJECT_Temperature = $OBJECT.'_Temperature';
    local $OBJECT_Voltage = $OBJECT.'_Voltage';
    local $OBJECT_Current = $OBJECT.'_Current';

#END_PREAMBLE
```

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```

! Variables for object $OBJECT
$OBJECT_Temperature = ...
$OBJECT_Current = ...
$OBJECT_Voltage = ...

#END_F90_TEMPLATE NOT_AMBIGUOUS OBJECT

```

After definitions are processed, the preprocessor scans the remaining part of the listing in order to perform template substitutions. The command to order a template substitution is:

```
#APPLY <<NAME>> <<ARGUMENTS>> (one line)
```

As an example:

```
#APPLY NOT_AMBIGUOUS FED
```

will generate the F90 code:

```

! Variables for object FED
FED_Temperature = ...
FED_Current = ...
FED_Voltage = ...

```

4. Example

4.1 Example of definition:

```

#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE OPTIONAL_OPEN UNIT FLAG_I_WISH OBJECT FNAME
  if ($FLAG_I_WISH.eq.1) then
    open (unit=$UNIT,file=$FNAME,status='new',      &
    &           form='unformatted')
    write(16, '(a)') ' U: $UNIT $OBJECT=',$FNAME
  endif
#END_F90_TEMPLATE OPTIONAL_OPEN
#END_F90_TEMPLATES_DEFINITIONS

```

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4.2 Example of usage

```
#APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN 12 i_wish_print_pix datapix_map datapix_map
#APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN 13 i_wish_print_noise datanoise datanoise
```

4.3 Example of Result:

```
if (i_wish_print_pix.eq.1) then
  open (unit=12,file=datapix_map,status='new',      &
&           form='unformatted')
  write(16,'(a)') ' U: 12 datapix_map=', datapix_map
endif

if (i_wish_print_noise.eq.1) then
  open (unit=13,file=datanoise,status='new',      &
&           form='unformatted')
  write(16,'(a)') ' U: 12 datanoise=', datanoise
```

5. The f90tcprep.pl tool

The preprocessor for template coding is named `f90tcprep.pl` and it is written in PERL 5.0.

In appendix the preprocessor listing plus one example of file to be preprocessed are given.

Several options to help the template operations are added. They are:

- h : print one help
- vn : sets the verbosity level: 0 quiet work, 1 only input displayed, 2 Input/Output displayed, 3 template lines are printed, 4 perl lines are printed after execution
- l : list full templates definitions
- t : generates a test file for macro definitions
- c : list calls to template definitions
- u : Usage for a given template whose name replaces <<OutPutFile>>
example: f90tcprep -u library STANDARD_OPEN
- U : as -u but print the Help section (if any) of a given template
example: f90tcprep -? library STANDARD_OPEN
- p : as -U but print the preamble section of a given template

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Appendix A: The Preprocessor

```

#
# f90tcpref.pl - 0.0 - By M. Maris - 2 June 2000 -
#
# usage f90tcpref.pl <<InputFile>> <<OutputFile>> [<<Verbosity>>]
#
# Template preprocessor for F90
#
# Assumes definitions at the beginning of the input file
#
# WARNING: DISK SIDE-EFFECT
#   The program needs to generate (OVERWRITE) two dump files
#   the names of these two files are parametrized in the Variables:
#
#       $DumpPerl $DumpF90
#
#   change their content if the program interfere with something in
#   your directory.
#
#   We hope in the future to be able to remove this flaw
#
# Dump File Names
$DumpPerl = '_f90tcpref_dump_perl.pl';
$DumpF90 = '_f90tcpref_dump_f90.f90';

# Starting header
$Verbosity = 1;

$Today = gmtime(time);

$Operator = '';

$Version = "f90tcpref.pl - 0.0 - By M. Maris - 23 May 2000 -";

print << "EOH";
$Version

usage f90tcpref.pl <<InputFile>> <<OutputFile>> [<<Verbosity>>]
```

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```

Verbosity : 0 None
  : 1 Only input displayed
  : 2 Input/Output displayed
  : 3 Template lines are printed
    default = $Verbosity

```

See added notes and comments about the GENERATION OF TEMPORARY FILES

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

# resets statistical counters
$NTemplates = 0;
$NReplacements = 0;
$NLinesGenerated = 0;

$DefinitionStack = {};

#
# Begin of Operations
#


# Scans for the definition block and load them
$NLine = 0;
$InSide = 1;
$IsTemplateOpen=0;

```

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```

$key = $Listing[$NLLine];

while (!($key =~ m/^[\s*[#]END_F90_TEMPLATES_DEFINITIONS/i))
{
    $key = $Listing[$NLLine];

    if ($key =~ m/^[\s*[#]DEF_F90_TEMPLATE/i)
    {
        @ListObjects = grep(/\S/,split(/\s+/, $key)); #Tokenize the line

        $IsTemplateOpen = 1;

        $TemplateName = @ListObjects[1];
        @Names = @ListObjects[2..$#ListObjects];

        $NumberParameters = $#Names+1;

        if ($Verbosity >= 2) {
            print "Template:",$TemplateName,"\n";
            print "NParam: ",$NumberParameters,"\n";
            for $IPAR (0..$#Names) {
                print "      : ",@Names[$IPAR],"\n";
            };
            print ,"\n";
        };

        @ListLines=();
        $NLLine = $NLLine + 1;
        $key = $Listing[$NLLine];
        while (!($key =~ m/^[\s*[#]END_F90_TEMPLATE/i) & ($NLLine < $#Listing))
        {
            push(@ListLines,$key);
            $NLLine = $NLLine + 1;
            $key = $Listing[$NLLine];
        };

        if ($Verbosity >= 3) {
            print "Macro:\n";
            print @ListLines;
        };

        if (!($key =~ m/^[\s*[#]END_F90_TEMPLATE/))
        {die "Error: Template definition ended by EOF\n";
    }
}

```

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};

```
$TDictionary{$TemplateName} = {
    parameters => [@Names],
    code       => [@ListLines]
};

$NTemplates = $NTemplates + 1;

$InSide=1;

};

$NLine = $NLine + 1;

if (($NLine > $#Listing) & ($InSide == 1)) {
    die
    "Error: Template definition or TEMPLATE DEFINITION SECTION ended by EOF\n";
};

};

if (!$key =~ m/^s*[#]END_F90_TEMPLATES_DEFINITIONS/i)
{
    die
    "Error: Template definition section not ended by END_F90_TEMPLATES_DEFINITIONS\n";
};

# Generates Output #

open FOD, '>' . $OutputFile;

# Please update this constant if you change the number of lines in CARTIGLIO
$NLinesCartiglio = 14;

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

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

!
! This code has been preprocessed with the F90 Macro Code substitutor
```

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```
!
! $Version
!
! Original Name : $InputFile
! Final     Name : $OutputFile
! Date          : $Today
! Operated by   : $Operator
!
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
```

CARTIGLIO

```
# Scans for evaluations

if ($NLine >= $#Listing) {
die
"Error: Missing the code to be used\n";
};

for $ILine ($NLine + 1 .. $#Listing){

$key = $Listing[$ILine];

if ($key =~ m/^[\s*#]APPLY/i)
{
# Performs the substitution

@ListObjects = grep(/\S/,split(/\s+/, $key)); #Tokenize the line

if ($#ListObjects < 1) {
die "Error: Missing Template Name at line $ILine\n";
};

$TemplateName = @ListObjects[1];

@Values = @ListObjects[2..$#ListObjects];

$NumberValues = $#Values+1;

if ($Verbosity >= 2) {
print "ApplyTo:", $TemplateName, "\n";
print "NValues: ", $NumberValues, "\n";
```

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```

for $IVAL (0..$#Values) {
    print "      : ",@Values[$IVAL],"\n";
}
print ,"\n";
};

@LLLL = grep(/^$TemplateName/,keys %TDictionary));

if ($#LLLL < 0) {
    die "Error: Unexistent Template Required at line $ILine\n";
};

%Object = %{$TDictionary{$TemplateName}};
@Names = @{$Object{parameters}};

if (!($#Names == $#Values)) {
    die "Error: Uncorrect Number of Template Parameters Required at line $ILine\n";
};

# Generates the command list
# Parameters declaration
@CommandList = ("{\n");
for $IPar (0..$#Names) {
    $scratch = 'local $'.@Names[$IPar].' = ''.'.@Values[$IPar]."';'."\n";
    push (@CommandList,$scratch);
};

# overstructures to produce @Macro list
push (@CommandList,"\");

push (@CommandList,'@Macro = << "EOM"; '."\n");

# overstructures the Macro
@ListLines = @{$Object{code}};

for $IPar (0..$#ListLines) {
    push (@CommandList,@ListLines[$IPar]);
};

# overstructures to produce @Macro list
push (@CommandList,"EOM\n");

push (@CommandList,'print @Macro;');

```

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```

push (@CommandList,"\\n"};\\n");

open TMP, '>' . $DumpPerl;
print (TMP @CommandList);
close TMP;

system('perl '.$DumpPerl.' > '.$DumpF90);

open FID, '< '.$DumpF90;
@Macro = <FID>;
close FID;

print FOD @Macro;

$NReplacements = $NReplacements + 1;

$NLinesGenerated = $NLinesGenerated+$#Macro+1;

} else {
    # Writes the line
    print FOD $key;

};

}; # for $ILine

#
# operations end
#
close(FID);

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

# bye bye message

$NLinesOfCode = $#Listing - $NLine + 1;
$NLinesOfOutput = $NLinesOfCode + $NLinesGenerated - $NReplacements+$NLinesCartiglio-1;
$NLinesOfInput = $#Listing + 1;

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

```

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Relevant Statistics:

Lines in Input	: \$NLinesOfInput
Of Template Definitions	: \$NLine
Of Code	: \$NLinesOfCode
Templates Defined	: \$NTemplates
Templates Replaced	: \$NReplacements
Lines Generated	: \$NLinesGenerated
Total Lines in Output	: \$NLinesOfOutput

E0H1

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Appendix B: One Example of F90 Code with Code Templates

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!!!! THIS IS ONE EXAMPLE OF TEMPLATES AND TEMPLATES SUBSTITUTIONS

!!!!

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

!!!! BLOCK OF TEMPLATES DEFINITIONS !!!!

!!!! IT MAY BE APPENDED TO THE HEAD TOO !!!!

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

```
#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE OPTIONAL_OPEN UNIT FLAG_I_WISH OBJECT FNAME
```

```
! Opens $OBJECT
```

```
if ($FLAG_I_WISH.eq.1) then
  open (unit=12,file=$FNAME,status='new',      &
&           form='unformatted')
  write($UNIT,'(a)') ' U: $UNIT $OBJECT=',$FNAME
endif
```

```
#END_F90_TEMPLATE OPTIONAL_OPEN
```

```
#DEF_F90_TEMPLATE OPTIONAL_OPEN2 UNIT FLAG_I_WISH OBJECT FNAME
```

```
! Opens $OBJECT but template 2
```

```
if ($FLAG_I_WISH.eq.1) then
  open (unit=12,file=$FNAME,status='new',      &
&           form='unformatted')
  write($UNIT,'(a)') ' U: $UNIT $OBJECT=',$FNAME
endif
```

```
#END_F90_TEMPLATE OPTIONAL_OPEN2
```

```
#END_F90_TEMPLATES_DEFINITIONS
```

```
program template_example.f90
```

```
! some comment line
```

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```

print F0D ! Uncomment these lines you will be generate errors
! #APPLY
! #APPLY OPTIONAL 12 i_wish_print_pix datapix_map
! #APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN 12 i_wish_print_pix datapix_map datapix_map
! #APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN 12 i_wish_print_pix datapix_map datapix_map extra

! This is right
#APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN 12 i_wish_print_pix datapix_map datapix_map

! some other comment line

APPLY = 34

! other application
#APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN 13 i_wish_print_noise datanoise datanoise

! other template
#APPLY OPTIONAL_OPEN2 14 i_wish_print_quantum dataquantum dataquantum

end program template_example.f90

```