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Vibe Check

Raise your hand if you
have heard of vibe coding

Vibe Check

Raise your hand if you
have used AI to help write emails

Vibe Check

Raise your hand if you
used AI to help write code

Vibe Check

Raise your hand if you
used AI in a vibe coding sense

Background

Vibe Coding

Unit Tests

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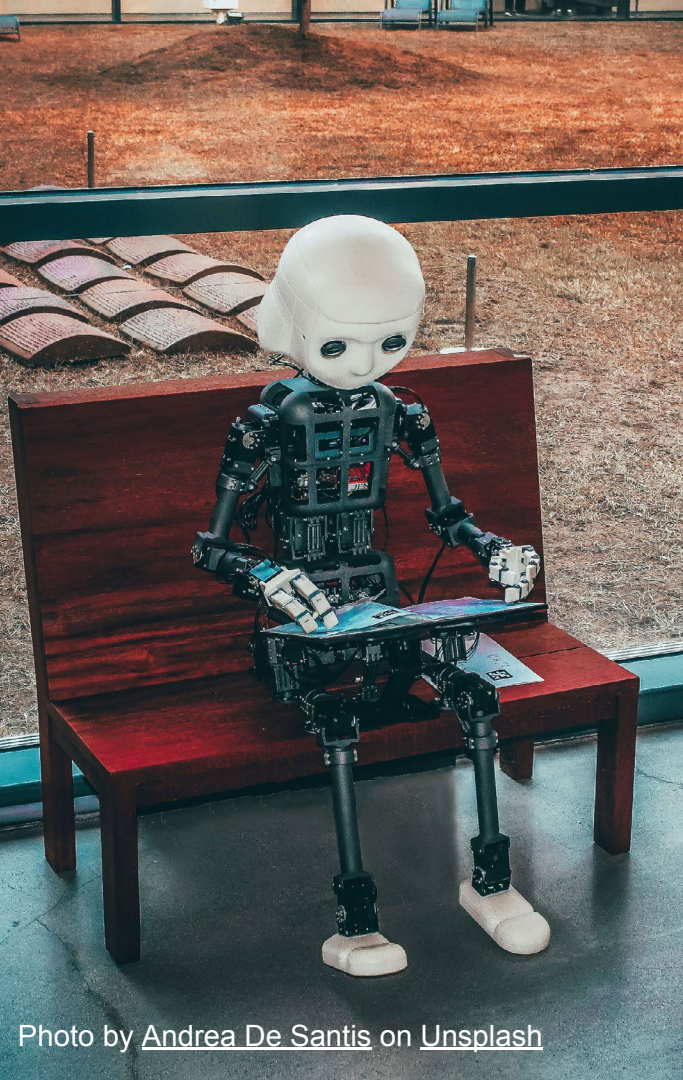
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Vibe Coding

Vibe Coding

— What is it?

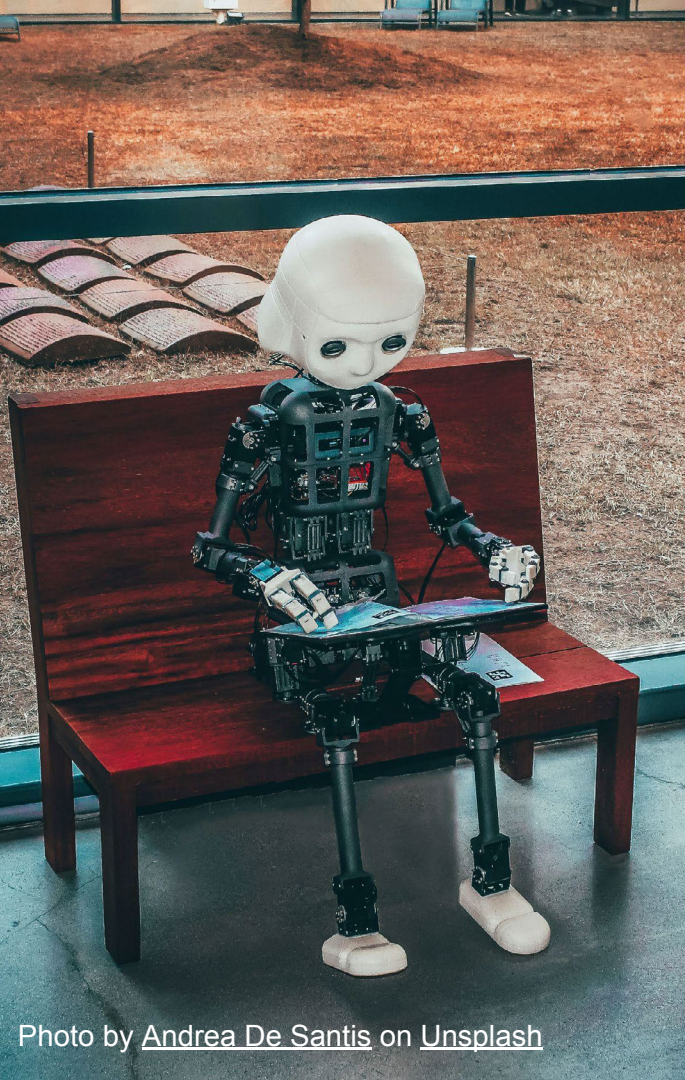
- First coined in 2025 – dictionary entry 1 month later (!)
 - Andrej Karpathy
- New concept, definitions emerging
- AI tool (LLM) leads the coding
- Human in the loop, barely
- Lowers the barrier to entry for non-programmers



Vibe Coding

— Pros and Cons

- Accessibility
 - Lowers the barrier to entry for non-programmers
- Reliability
 - Developer may not understand or read the generated code

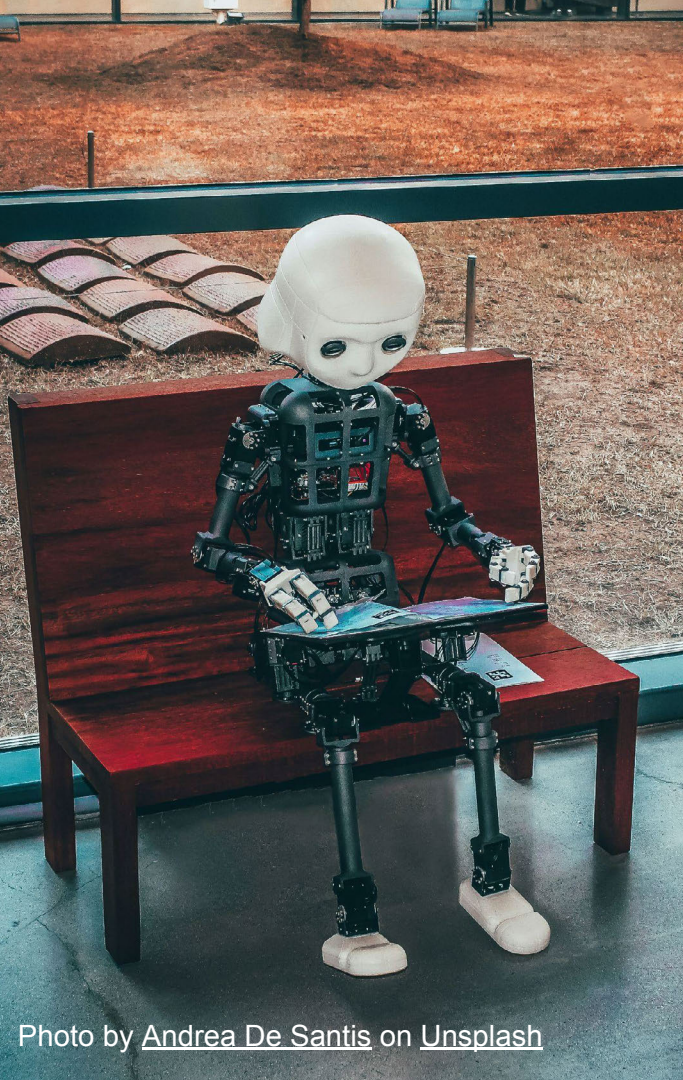


Vibe Coding

— News Reports

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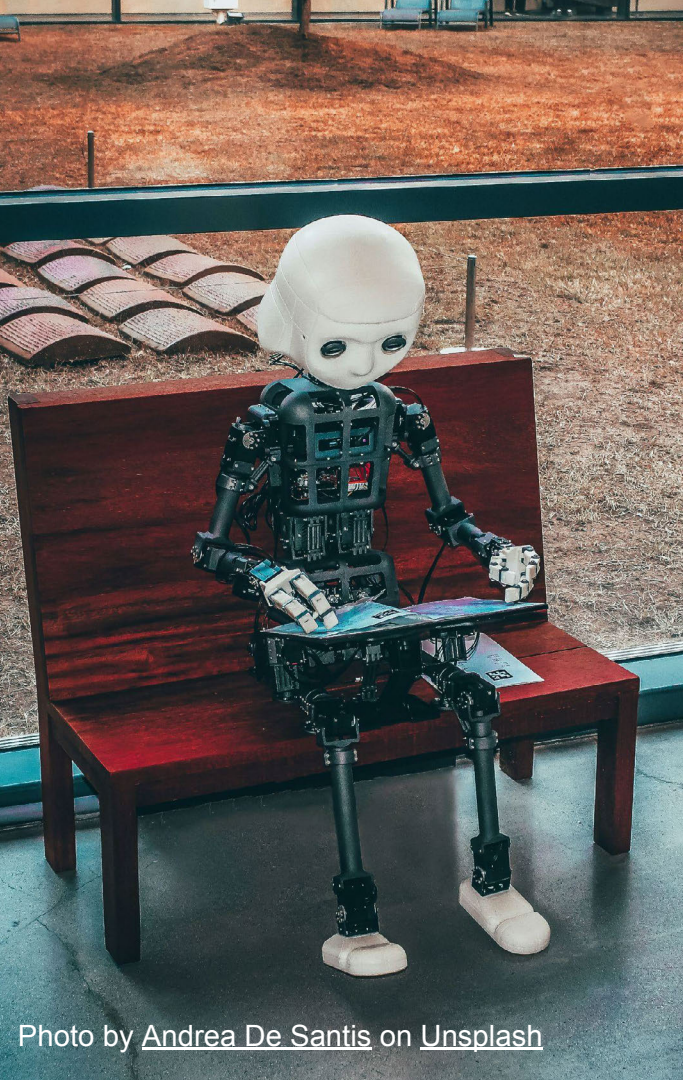
- [“The Vibe Coding Effect? Apple’s App Store Saw 84% Jump in New Apps in Quarter”](#) - The Information
- [“Apple Quietly Blocks Updates for Popular 'Vibe Coding' Apps”](#) - MacRumors
- [“Apple Pulls Vibe Coding App 'Anything' From App Store, Escalating Enforcement”](#) - MacRumors



Vibe Coding

— Use of Natural Language

- Coding - realm of programming languages
- LLMs - vibe coding - realm of natural languages
- Ambiguity in natural language
- Julienne natural language idioms
 - More on this later...



Unit Tests

Unit Tests

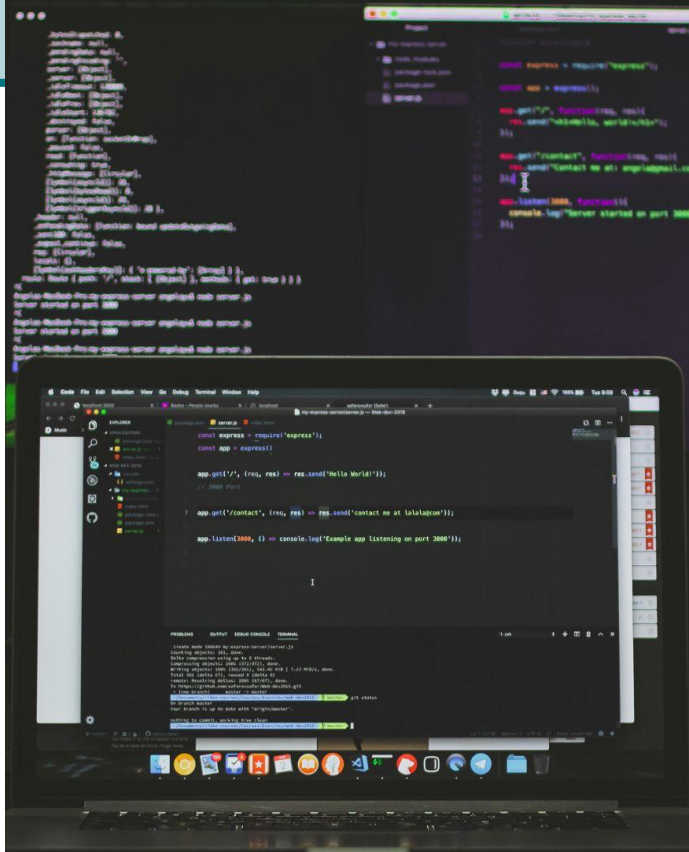
The Basics

Important

Under Utilized in Scientific Software

Unit Testing

- Test-driven development
 - Tests = requirement specifications
 - Write unit test first
 - Write the minimal passing code
 - Rinse and repeat
- Suite of unit tests that can run in seconds or minutes
- Continuous integration/Continuous Deployment (CI/CD)
 - Merge frequently
 - Automate unit testing
 - Test every merge



Correctness Checking

- Assertions in unit tests to verify expected behavior:
 - Preconditions
 - Must be true before a procedure executes
 - Postconditions
 - Must be true after a procedure executes
 - Invariants
 - Must always be true (pre & post every function)

- Julianne provides assertions? ...

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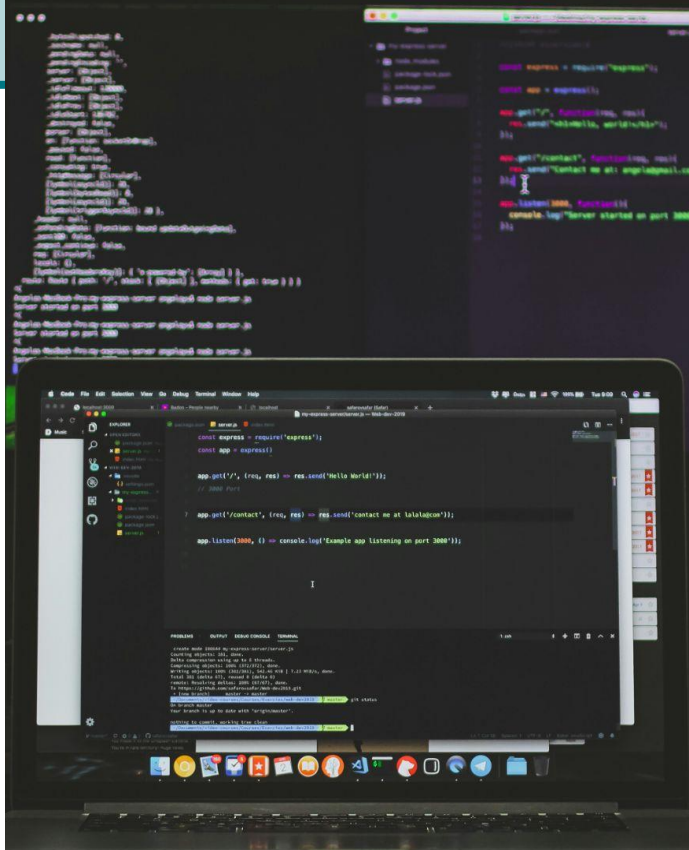


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Julienne

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Thinly Sliced Vegetables

Julienne

A
lightweight
utility
inspired by
[Veggies](#)



Julienne

go.lbl.gov/julienne

- Began as Fortran unit-testing framework
- Grew to support natural-language idioms for
 - Assertions inside user code
 - Tests external to user code
- Tests can be single- or multi-image (parallel)
- Julienne's **scaffold** program
 - Reads class names from a JSON file
 - Generates a test-suite driver and sample tests
- Testing as specification
- **fpm** package



Photo credit: Paul Hargrove



fpm

- fpm (Fortran Package Manager)
 - Package manager and build system
 - Written in Fortran
 - Maintained by Fortran developer community
 - Automatically detects file dependencies
 - Builds Fortran, C, and C++ source code [e.g, SuperLU (C), Armadillo (C++)]
 - fpm itself is very easy to install
 - Available through package managers (Homebrew, Spack, etc.)
 - If using gfortran 13 or later, can also compile a one-file version of the **fpm** source code to install it



Julienne Test Output

- Julienne output includes:
 - Test subject (e.g., a class or type-bound procedure)
 - Test description
 - Test outcome (pass, fail or skip)
 - Test diagnostics (only if a test fails)
- Will see more examples in Fiats and Caffeine Use Cases



Testing with Fortran's Parallel Features

- Julienne cannot run (different) tests in parallel. However, it *can* run parallel tests.
- Parallel tests: Tests that invoke multi-image Fortran features
 - Every image runs every test
 - Only report that a test passes if it passes on all images
 - Only image 1 outputs the test outcome (pass/fail/skip)
 - Images collectively print diagnostics via Julienne's `co_characterize` subroutine
 - Option: Asynchronous diagnostic output via `-DASYNCHRONOUS_DIAGNOSTICS`



Julienne Recent Developments

- Expanded compiler support:
 - LFortran 0.60.0: first supported version
 - LLVM 22: first multi-image (parallel) version
 - GCC 15 (updated version)
 - Intel 2025.21 (updated version)
 - NAG 7.2
- Expanded parallel testing:
 - **New:** LLVM Flang automatically calls PRIF/Caffeine/GASNet-EX
 - Still supported: GFortran/OpenCoarrays, NAG, and Intel
- **New:** `scaffold` program eases adoption by generating a test-suite driver program and sample tests for exemplar classes named in a JSON file. (See the `demo` directory.)



Julienne Recent Developments (cont.)

- Addition of `test_diagnosis_t` string concatenation operator (`//`)
 - Used for appending user-defined messages to the automated diagnostic output
 - Ex: `test_diagnosis = i .equalsExpected. j // "my additional message here"`
- Idioms as a unifying theme across two disparate technologies:
 - Unit tests
 - **New:** Assertions (compiled only with `-DASSERTIONS`)
 - Ex: `call_julienne_assert(i .equalsExpected. j)`



Julienne Idioms

```
test_diagnosis = test_diagnosis .also. &  
  .all. (actual_coarse .approximates. expected_coarse &  
    .within. crude_tolerance) &  
  // " (coarse-grid 2nd-order .laplacian. sin(x))"
```



Julienne Idioms – operators

Less than operator:

`x .lessThan. y`

Greater than operator:

`x .greaterThan. y`

Asymmetric equality operator:

`i .equalsExpected. j`

Greater than or equal operator:

`i .isAtLeast. j`

Less than or equal to operator:

`i .isAtMost. j`

Verify alphabetical order operator:

`s .isBefore. t`

Verify reverse alphabetical order operator: `s .isAfter. t`

- Above operators operate on intrinsic types (numeric, character types, `type(c_ptr)`)
 - See README at go.lbl.gov/julienne for details
- Above expressions return `test_diagnosis_t` object



Julienne Idioms – operators

And operator:

`a .also. b`

- Operates on `test_diagnosis_t` object
- Returns `test_diagnosis_t` object
- Putting it together:

`(i .lessThan. j) .also. (k .equalsExpected. m)`



Julienne Idioms – operators

All operator for arrays:

```
.all. ([i,j] .lessThan. k)
```

```
.all. ([i,j] .lessThan. [k,m])
```

```
.all. (i .lessThan. [k,m])
```

Logical operator: `.expect. allocated(A) // " (expected allocated A)"`

String concatenation operator: `//`



Julienne Idioms – operators

Equality within a tolerance operators:

```
x .approximates. y .within. tolerance
```

```
x .approximates. y .withinFraction. tolerance
```

```
x .approximates. y .withinPercentage. tolerance
```



Julienne Idioms

```
test_diagnosis = test_diagnosis .also. &  
    .all. (actual_coarse .approximates. expected_coarse &  
        .within. crude_tolerance) &  
    // " (coarse-grid 2nd-order .laplacian. sin(x))"
```

Test reads like a specification, similar to a natural language sentence



Julienne Assertions

- Provides assertions: `call_julienne_assert(expr)`
 - Can be compiled away
 - Activated using `-DASSERTIONS` preprocessing compiler flag
 - When active and assertion fails, program will `ERROR STOP` with useful message
- Supports asserting the preconditions, postconditions, invariants
- Frequently used in source code
- Also can be used in unit tests



Use Case: Fiats

Fiats: Deep Learning with Fortran

- Machine learning and AI impacts on HPC
- Fiats (Functional inference and training for surrogates)
 - go.lbl.gov/fiats
 - Alternative name:

Fortran inference and training for science

- “training and deployment of neural-network surrogate models for computational science”
- Automatic parallelization of batch inference



Fiats: Deep Learning with Fortran

- Assertions used for:
 - Validating input data is in correct format
 - Multiple ways to input data to construct neural nets
 - Need to validate the various ways
 - Validate the construction of the layers of the neural network
 - And more!





Fiats needs to ensure that:

An object of type `neural_network_t` that encodes an XOR gate can correctly perform elemental inference with **step** activation and 1 hidden layer



Fiats needs to ensure that:

An object of type `neural_network_t` that encodes an XOR gate can correctly perform elemental inference with **relu** activation and 1 hidden layer



Fiats needs to ensure that:

An object of type `neural_network_t` that encodes an XOR gate can correctly perform elemental inference with 2 hidden layers

**Fiats uses
Julienne unit tests
to help validate all
these behaviors
and more**



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One unit test for Fiats

Part of `neural_network_t` unit test collection

```
212 function elemental_infer_1_hidden_layer_xor_step() result(test_diagnosis)
213   type(test_diagnosis_t) test_diagnosis
214   type(neural_network_t) neural_network
215
216   neural_network = one_hidden_layer_xor_net("step")
217
218   block
219     type(tensor_t), allocatable :: truth_table(:)
220     real, parameter :: tolerance = 1.E-08, false = 0., true = 1.
221     integer i
222
223     associate(array_of_inputs => [tensor_t([true,true]), tensor_t([true,false]), &
224                                   tensor_t([false,true]), tensor_t([false,false])])
225       truth_table = neural_network%infer(array_of_inputs)
226     end associate
227     test_diagnosis = &
228       (.all. (truth_table(1)%values() .approximates. (false) .within. tolerance)) &
229       .also. (.all. (truth_table(2)%values() .approximates. ( true) .within. tolerance)) &
230       .also. (.all. (truth_table(3)%values() .approximates. ( true) .within. tolerance)) &
231       .also. (.all. (truth_table(4)%values() .approximates. (false) .within. tolerance))
232   end block
233 end function
```

One unit test for Fiats

Part of `neural_network_t` unit test collection

Result of unit test

```
227     test_diagnosis = &
228         (.all. (truth_table(1)%values() .approximates. (false) .within. tolerance)) &
229         .also. (.all. (truth_table(2)%values() .approximates. ( true) .within. tolerance)) &
230         .also. (.all. (truth_table(3)%values() .approximates. ( true) .within. tolerance)) &
231         .also. (.all. (truth_table(4)%values() .approximates. (false) .within. tolerance))
```

One unit test collection for Fiats

Tests `neural_network_t`

```
36 pure function subject() result(specimen)
37   character(len=:), allocatable :: specimen
38   specimen = "An neural_network_t that encodes an XOR gate"
39 end function
40
41 function results() result(test_results)
42   type(test_result_t), allocatable :: test_results(:)
43   type(neural_network_test_t) neural_network_test
44
45   test_results = neural_network_test%run([ &
46     test_description_t("elemental inference with step activation and 1 hidden layer", elemental_infer_1_hidden_layer_xor_step) &
47     ,test_description_t("elemental inference with relu activation and 1 hidden layer", elemental_infer_1_hidden_layer_xor_relu) &
48     ,test_description_t("elemental inference with 2 hidden layers", elemental_infer_with_2_hidden_layer_xor_net) &
49     ,test_description_t("converting a network with 2 hidden layers to and from JSON format", multi_hidden_layer_net_to_from_json) &
50     ,test_description_t("converting a network with varying-width hidden layers to/from JSON", varying_width_net_to_from_json) &
51     ,test_description_t("performing inference with a network with hidden layers of varying width", infer_with_varying_width_net) &
52     ,test_description_t("double-precision inference", double_precision_inference) &
53   ])
54 end function
```

Output for `neural_network_t` unit test collection

```
An neural_network_t that encodes an XOR gate
passes on elemental inference with step activation and 1 hidden layer.
passes on elemental inference with relu activation and 1 hidden layer.
passes on elemental inference with 2 hidden layers.
passes on converting a network with 2 hidden layers to and from JSON format.
passes on converting a network with varying-width hidden layers to/from JSON.
passes on performing inference with a network with hidden layers of varying width.
passes on double-precision inference.
7 of 7 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.
```

Additional Fiats Test Output

A trainable_network_t object

Subject of the collection of unit tests

passes on preserving an identity map with 2 hidden layers.
passes on learning identity with Adam from perturbed-identity initial condition.
passes on learning a 2-hidden-layer AND gate from a skewed AND training data.
passes on learning NOT-AND from skewed NOT-AND data.
passes on learning OR from symmetric OR-gate data and random initial weights.
passes on learning XOR from symmetric XOR-gate data and random initial weights.
6 of 6 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.

A training_configuration_t object

passes on component-wise construction and conversion to/from JSON.
1 of 1 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.

A training_data_files_t object

passes on round-trip to/from JSON yielding equivalent objects.
1 of 1 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.

Test-suite run time: .001 seconds

Number of images: 1

----- 23 of 23 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped -----

Additional Fiats Test Output

```
A trainable_network_t object
  passes on preserving an identity map with 2 hidden layers.
  passes on learning identity with Adam from perturbed-identity initial condition.
  passes on learning a 2-hidden-layer AND gate from a skewed AND training data.
  passes on learning NOT-AND from skewed NOT-AND data.
  passes on learning OR from symmetric OR-gate data and random initial weights.
  passes on learning XOR from symmetric XOR-gate data and random initial weights.
6 of 6 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.
```

single unit test describes expected behavior

```
A training_configuration_t object
  passes on component-wise construction and conversion to/from JSON.
1 of 1 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.
```

pass or fail

```
A training_data_files_t object
  passes on round-trip to/from JSON yielding equivalent objects.
1 of 1 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.
```

```
Test-suite run time: .001 seconds
Number of images: 1

----- 23 of 23 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped -----
```

Fiats Test Output (Partial - abridged for slide)

A trainable_network_t object

passes on preserving an identity map with 2 hidden layers.

passes on learning identity with Adam from perturbed-identity initial condition.

passes on learning a 2-hidden-layer AND gate from a skewed AND training data.

passes on learning NOT-AND from skewed NOT-AND data.

passes on learning OR from symmetric OR-gate data and random initial weights.

passes on learning XOR from symmetric XOR-gate data and random initial weights.

6 of 6 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.

A training_configuration_t object

passes on component-wise construction and conversion to/from JSON.

1 of 1 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.

A training_data_files_t object

passes on round-trip to/from JSON yielding equivalent objects.

1 of 1 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped.

Test-suite run time: .001 seconds

Number of images: 1

Additional information

----- 23 of 23 tests passed. 0 tests were skipped -----

All results

Julienne Assertions in Fiats

- Used in both source code and tests
- In source code, used to validate JSON input data before constructing objects

```
426 module procedure default_real_from_json
427
428   character(len=:), allocatable :: justified_line
429   integer l, num_file_lines
430   type(string_t), allocatable :: lines(:)
431   type(tensor_map_t) input_map, output_map
432   type(layer_t) hidden_layers, output_layer
433
434   lines = file_%lines()
435   associate(outermost_object => '{')
436     call_julienne_assert(adjustl(lines(1)%string()) .equalsExpected. outermost_object)
437   end associate
438   call_julienne_assert(lines(2)%get_json_value("minimum_acceptable_tag", mold="") .equalsExpected. minimum_acceptable_tag)
439
440   ...
```

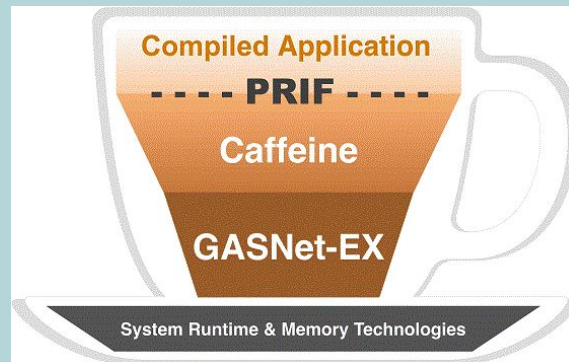
(Many more Julienne assertions in rest of procedure)



Use Case: Caffeine

Caffeine: A Parallel Runtime Library

- Caffeine
 - CoArray Fortran Framework of Efficient Interfaces to Network Environments
 - go.lbl.gov/caffeine
 - Implements Parallel Runtime Interface for Fortran (PRIF)
 - Enables multi-image execution for LLVM Flang and lfortran





**Caffeine unit
testing needs not
based on testing
the library's
derived types**

**Uniting testing
needs focus more
on implementing
PRIF Functions
that implement
multi-image
Fortran standard
behavior**



Caffeine needs to ensure:

Caffeine's PRIF routine provides the behavior determined by the Fortran standard equivalents

Ex:

`prif_num_images` returns the number of images, just as `NUM_IMAGES( )`

Caffeine needs to ensure:

Caffeine's PRIF
coarray allocation
routines
successfully
allocate
symmetric and
asymmetric
memory



Caffeine needs to ensure:

Caffeine's PRIF remote memory access (RMA) routines successfully put and get data on other images



**Caffeine uses
Julienne unit tests
to help validate all
these behaviors
and much more**



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```
function check_allocation_oom() result(diag)
```

```
  type(test_diagnosis_t) diag
```

```
  integer(c_size_t) :: size_in_bytes
```

```
  type(c_ptr) :: allocated_memory
```

```
  integer(c_int) :: stat
```

```
  character(len=:), allocatable :: errmsg
```

```
  type(prif_coarray_handle) :: coarray_handle
```

```
  diag = .true.
```

```
  size_in_bytes = ishft(500_c_size_t, 40) ! 500TB
```

```
  call prif_allocate(size_in_bytes, allocated_memory, stat, errmsg_alloc=errmsg)
```

```
  ALSO(stat .equalsExpected. PRIF_STAT_OUT_OF_MEMORY)
```

```
  ALSO(allocated(errmsg))
```

```
  if (allocated(errmsg)) then
```

```
    ALSO(len(errmsg) > 1)
```

```
    ALSO(index(errmsg, 'out of memory') .isAtLeast. 1)
```

```
  end if
```

```
  deallocate(errmsg)
```

```
  call prif_allocate_coarray( &
```

```
    [integer(c_int64_t) :: 1], [integer(c_int64_t) :: ], size_in_bytes, c_null_funptr, &
```

```
    coarray_handle, allocated_memory, stat, errmsg_alloc=errmsg)
```

```
  ALSO(stat .equalsExpected. PRIF_STAT_OUT_OF_MEMORY)
```

```
  ALSO(allocated(errmsg))
```

```
  if (allocated(errmsg)) then
```

```
    ALSO(len(errmsg) > 1)
```

```
    ALSO(index(errmsg, 'out of memory') .isAtLeast. 1)
```

```
  end if
```

```
  deallocate(errmsg)
```

```
end function
```

ALSO(expr) expands to (roughly):
diag = diag .also. expr

One unit test for Caffeine

Tests catching out of memory errors during coarray allocation.

Uses **ALSO** function-like macro from Caffeine to test multiple conditions using **Julienne** **.also.** operator

One unit test collection for Caffeine

Tests PRIF Remote Memory Access

```
26 pure function subject()
27     character(len=:), allocatable :: subject
28     subject = "PRIF RMA"
29 end function
30
31 function results() result(test_results)
32     type(test_result_t), allocatable :: test_results(:)
33     type(prif_rma_test_t) prif_rma_test
34
35     allocate(test_results, source = prif_rma_test%run([ &
36         test_description_t("sending a value to another image", usher(check_put)) &
37         ,test_description_t("sending a value with indirect interface", usher(check_put_indirect)) &
38         ,test_description_t("getting a value from another image", usher(check_get)) &
39         ,test_description_t("getting a value with indirect interface", usher(check_get_indirect)) &
40     ]))
41 end function
```

One unit test collection for Caffeine

Tests PRIF Allocation

```
37 pure function subject()
38   character(len=:), allocatable :: subject
39   subject = "PRIF Allocation"
40 end function
41
42 function results() result(test_results)
43   type(test_result_t), allocatable :: test_results(:)
44   type(prif_allocate_test_t) prif_allocate_test
45
46   allocate(test_results, source = prif_allocate_test%run([ &
47     test_description_t("allocating, using and deallocating an integer scalar coarray with a corank of 1", &
48       usher(check_allocate_integer_scalar_coarray_with_corank1)) &
49     ,test_description_t("allocating, using and deallocating an integer array coarray with a corank of 2", &
50       usher(check_allocate_integer_array_coarray_with_corank2)) &
51     ,test_description_t("allocating, using and deallocating memory non-symmetrically", &
52       usher(check_allocate_non_symmetric)) &
53     ,test_description_t("allocating and deallocating coarrays with finalizers" &
54 #     if HAVE_FINAL_FUNC_SUPPORT
55       , usher(check_final_func) &
56 #     endif
57     ) &
58     ,test_description_t("reporting out-of-memory errors", &
59       usher(check_allocation_oom)) &
60     ]))
61 end function
```

Use Case: Formal

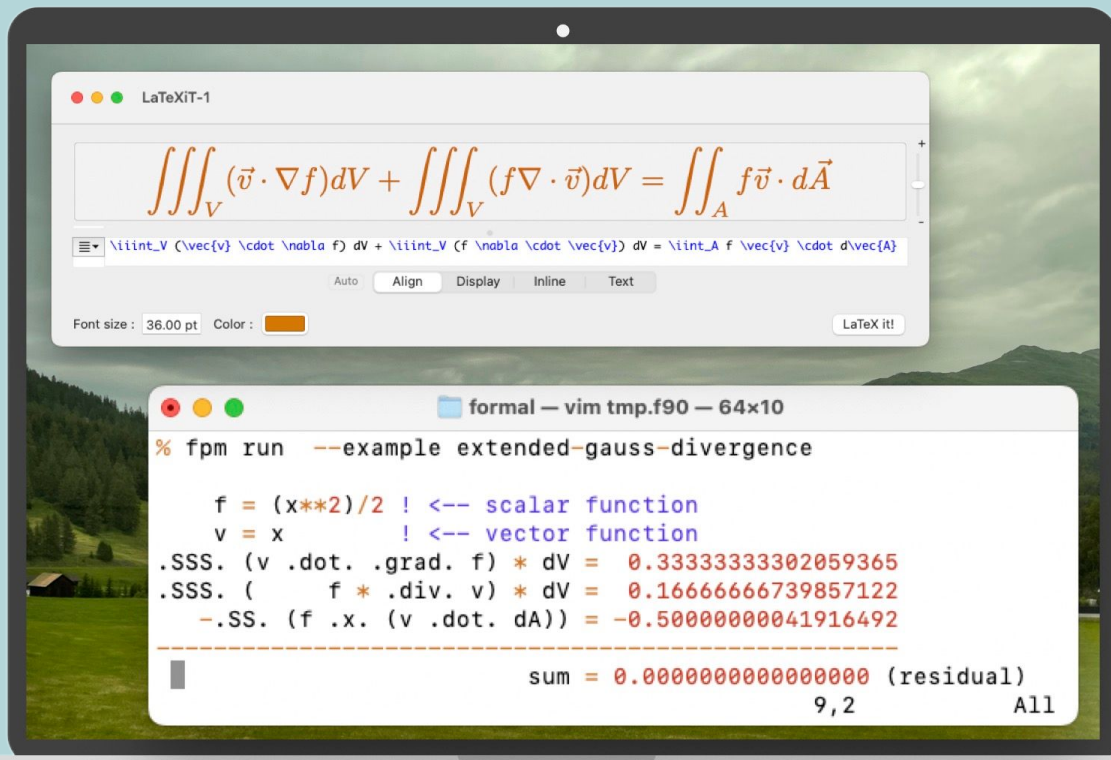
Formal

- Formal (Fortran mimetic abstraction language)
 - go.lbl.gov/formal
- Derived types and mathematical operators that “mimic” vector calculus
- Supports the formal verification of numerical algorithms
- Foundation for embedded domain-specific language (DSL)



Formal

- Facilitates a degree of expressiveness that mirrors textbook notation
- Guarantees the satisfaction of important vector calculus theorems

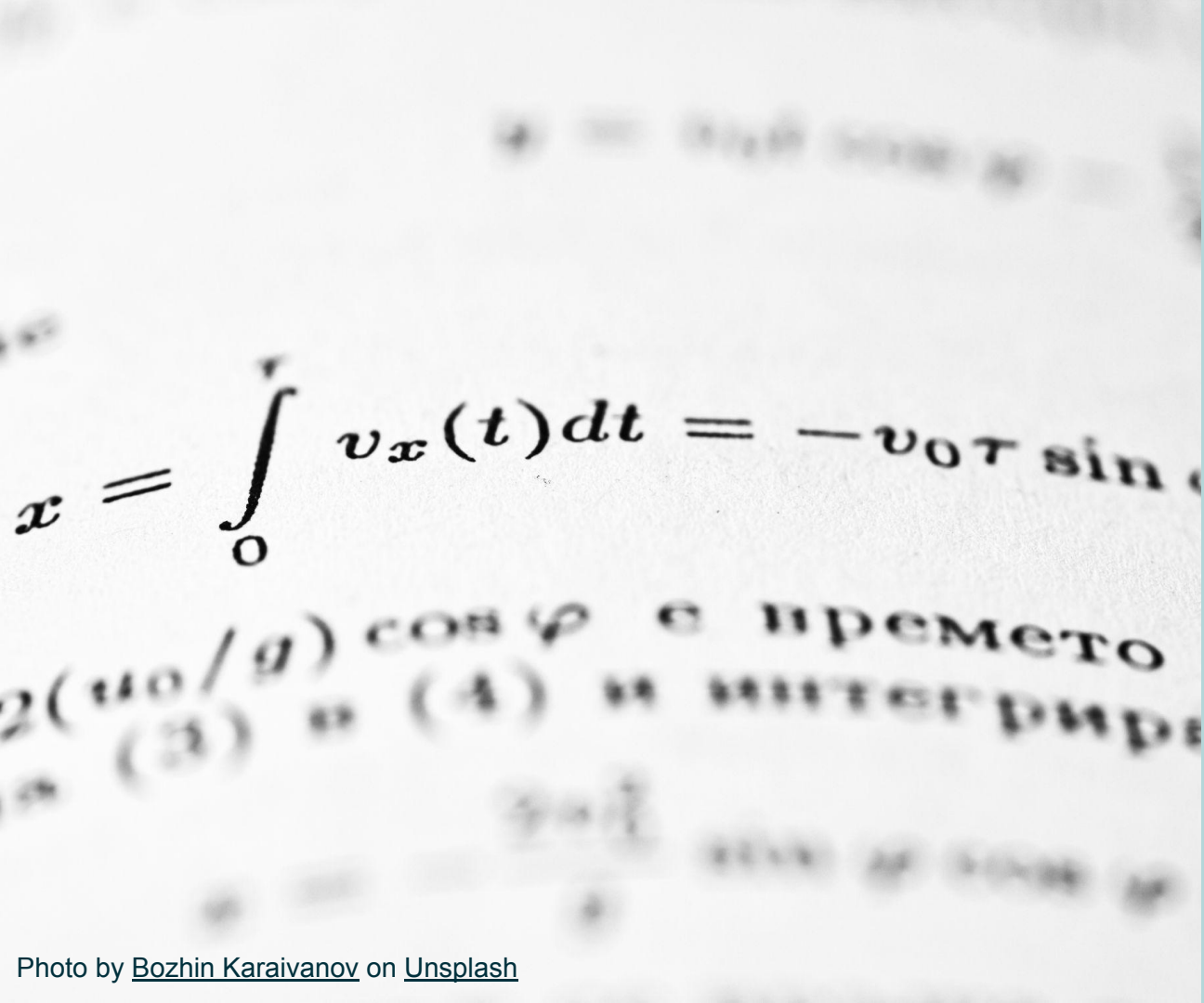


Formal Unit Tests Need to:

Verify the accuracy of
the discrete calculus
defined by
Castillo & Corbino (2020)
Dumett & Castillo (2022)

Exercise Formal's
defined operations:

- .sss. triple integral
- .dot. dot product


$$x = \int_0^{\tau} v_x(t) dt = -v_0 \tau \sin \dots$$

One unit test for Formal

Tests that Formal correctly computes the volume integral

.SSS.
 $(v \cdot \text{grad. } f) \cdot dV$

```
function volume_integral_of_v_dot_grad_f() result(test_diagnosis)
  type(test_diagnosis_t) test_diagnosis
  procedure(scalar_1D_initializer_i), pointer :: scalar_1D_initializer
  procedure(vector_1D_initializer_i), pointer :: vector_1D_initializer
  double precision, parameter :: x_min = 0D0, x_max = 1D0
  integer, parameter :: cells = 500, cells_ = cells + 1
  double precision, parameter, dimension(*) :: expected = [0, 2, 0, 1]
  double precision, parameter, dimension(*) :: order_tolerance = [0, 1, 0, 1]
  double precision, parameter, dimension(*) :: solution_tolerance = [0D0, 5D-7, 0D0, 5D-10]
  integer order

  scalar_1D_initializer => parabola
  vector_1D_initializer => line

  test_diagnosis = passing_test()

do order = 2, 4, 2
  associate( &
    f => scalar_1D_t(scalar_1D_initializer, order, cells, x_min, x_max) &
    ,f_ => scalar_1D_t(scalar_1D_initializer, order, cells_, x_min, x_max) &
    ,v => vector_1D_t(vector_1D_initializer, order, cells, x_min, x_max) &
    ,v_ => vector_1D_t(vector_1D_initializer, order, cells_, x_min, x_max) &
    ,expected_integral => SSS_v_dot_grad_f(x_max) - SSS_v_dot_grad_f(x_min) &
  )
    associate( &
      dV => f%dV() &
      ,dV_ => f_%dV() &
    )
      associate( &
        lo_res => abs((.SSS. (v .dot. .grad. f) * dV - expected_integral)) &
        ,hi_res => abs((.SSS. (v_ .dot. .grad. f_) * dV_ - expected_integral)) &
      )
        test_diagnosis = test_diagnosis .also. &
          (hi_res .isAtMost. solution_tolerance(order)) &
          // " for " // ordinal(order) // "-order discretization of .SSS. (v .dot. .grad. f) * dV"
        associate(calculated_order => log(lo_res/hi_res)/log(dble(cells_)/cells))
          test_diagnosis = test_diagnosis .also. &
            (calculated_order .approximates. expected(order) .withinPercentage. order_tolerance(order)) &
            // " for convergence rate of " // ordinal(order) // "-order discretization of .SSS. (v .dot. .grad. f) * dV"
        end associate
      end associate
    end associate
  end do
end function
```

One unit test for Formal

Result of unit test

```
121     test_diagnosis = test_diagnosis .also. &
122     (calculated_order .approximates. expected(order) .withinPercentage. order_tolerance(order)) &
123     // " for convergence rate of " // ordinal(order) // "-order discretization of .SSS. (v .dot. .grad. f) * dV"
```

One unit test collection for Formal

Tests the set of 2nd- and 4th-order 1D mimetic integration operators

```
35 pure function subject() result(test_subject)
36   character(len=:), allocatable :: test_subject
37   test_subject = 'The set of 2nd- and 4th-order 1D mimetic integration operators'
38 end function
39
40 function results() result(test_results)
41   type(integration_operators_1D_test_t) integration_operators_1D_test
42   type(test_result_t), allocatable :: test_results(:)
43
44   test_results = integration_operators_1D_test%run([ &
45     test_description_t( &
46       'computing the volume integral .SSS. (v .dot. .grad. f)*dV' &
47       ,usher(check_volume_integral_of_v_dot_grad_f)) &
48     ,test_description_t( &
49       'computing the volume integral .SSS. (f * .div. v)*dV' &
50       ,usher(check_volume_integral_of_f_div_v)) &
51     ,test_description_t( &
52       'computing the surface integral .SS. (f .x. (v .dot. dA))' &
53       ,usher(check_surface_integral_of_vf)) &
54     ,test_description_t( &
55       'satisfying the extended Gauss Divergence Theorem within a residual tolerance of ' &
56       // string_t(residual_tolerance) &
57       ,usher(check_gauss_divergence_theorem)) &
58   ])
59 end function
```

RAG and Vibe Testing

Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG)

- Retrieve relevant data to augment an LLM's response
- AstraAI
 - LBL's work as part of AI4HPC, a Modcon project
 - Sherry Li, Mahesh Natarajan, Damian Rouson, Kate Rasmussen
 - <https://github.com/AIForHPC/AstraAI>
 - Tool to support developers and users of scientific software

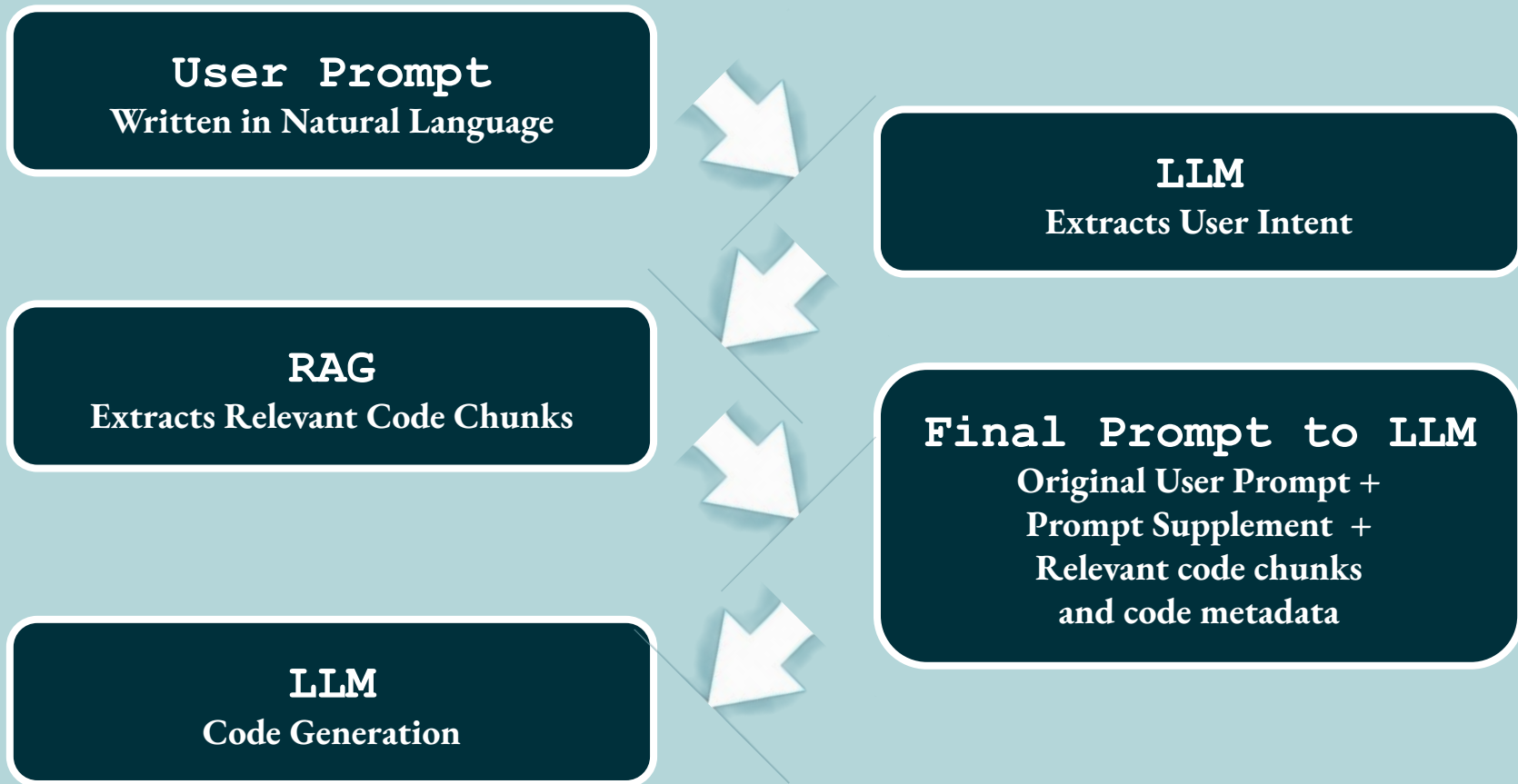


How AstraAI uses RAG

- AstraAI receives repository with source code that is annotated with metadata
 - Code can be annotated with metadata manually or with an LLM (if you trust it)
- AstraAI analyzes the repository and an LLM creates embeddings based on metadata
- AstraAI analyzes the user prompt (asking for production of source code) and compares it to the embeddings to select the most relevant code chunks
- User prompt is supplemented with the most relevant code chunks, their metadata, additional useful instructions and fed to the LLM for a final response



AstraAI Workflow



Formal – Vibe Testing

- Formal has been used with AstraAI workflow
 - Success in prompting LLM to produce Fortran source code that correctly invokes Formal library
 - Julienne unit tests annotated with metadata
 - Used expert-written, very detailed prompt
- Future research:
 - Improve workflow to produce code with less detailed prompts
 - Explore production of source code as well as tests to verify source code



How to Use All This for Your Project

Live walkthrough

(Overview of Content of live walkthrough)

- Create Julienne boilerplate using the `scaffold` program
- Show Julienne driver that runs collections of unit tests
- Walk through unit test collections and `subjects` and `results` functions
- Walk through unit test and `test_diagnosis_t` result
- How to skip tests
- How to run Julienne test suite
- How to filter tests while running test suite



Writing Julienne Tests – new collection of unit tests

When creating a new collection of unit tests:

- Create new test object for a new collection of unit tests
 - Extends the `test_t` type from the framework
- Write a `subject` function
 - Describes the collection of unit tests
- Write a `results` functions
 - Lists and invokes each of the unit tests through the `test_description_t` objects
- Add new collection of unit tests to `test_harness_t` array in driver



Skipping Tests

- Julienne provides functionality to skip some tests
- When to skip a test?
 - The test triggers a compile-time or runtime crash
 - Example: gfortran runtime bug in Julienne test suite for the Julienne repository
- To skip a test:
 - When constructing the list of `test_description_t` objects, omit the function name (or procedure pointer) to the `test_description_t` constructor



Filtering Tests

- Julien provides functionality to run only a subset of tests
 - Can run a specific collection of unit tests
 - Can run specific unit tests
 - Invoke by using `--contains` flag
 - `fpm test -- --contains string_t`
 - `fpm test -- --contains comma`



Can You Try Vibe Testing?

Can You Try Vibe Testing?

- Ideas around how to use unit tests with LLMs still developing but...
- Yes!
 - AstraAI publicly available (<https://github.com/AIForHPC/AstraAI>)
 - Research product still in development
 - You can use integrate unit tests into your usage of LLM



Using Unit Tests As Specifications and in Prompts

- Write Julianne unit tests as specifications
- Can use unit tests to supplement LLM prompts
 - Julianne unit tests mimic natural language, normally what is involved in LLM prompts, but tests are compilable and checkable
- Consider how you can utilize tests to improve responses from LLMs
- Remember test driven development?
 - Write unit test first (human in the loop)
 - Use unit test in prompt to produce source code
 - Iterate until unit test passes and code is verified



Communities & Where to Find More Fortran

Grabbag of Fortran tools

- [Codee](#) - Static analysis tool for Fortran and C/C++
 - Code correctness
 - Modernization
 - [Codee Youtube Channel](#)
- [fortran-linter](#)
- [rojff](#) - Return of JSON for Fortran - Utility to support use of JSON files in Fortran source
- [iso_varying_string](#) - An implementation of the ISO_VARYING_STRING module as proposed for the ISO standard



Grabbag of Fortran tools

- [FORD](#) - (FORtran Documentation)
 - Automatic documentation generator for Fortran projects
 - Can build documentation locally, provides html files
 - Can deploy documentation in Github Actions
 - [Example Ford Documentation](#)
- Various tools to convert fixed form code to free form code
- [A grabbag of more tools](#) - Beliaevsky/Fortran-Tools



Upcoming Fortran Features

- Upcoming features:
 - Generic programming (templates, etc)
 - Type-safe templates: requirements (strong concepts)
 - Must state properties of types
 - Compiler can provide error messages in template definition code
 - Asynchrony: tasks, collectives
 - Standardized Fortran preprocessor
- International body - [WG5](#)
- Working group - [INCITS US National body](#) (informally known as J3)



Fortran Resources & Communities

- Stereotypes about Fortran include ideas of being antiquated
- Vibrant, engaged developer community
- For more Fortran questions or to engage and **share** with the Fortran community, visit:
 - Fortran Lang: fortran-lang.org
 - [Tutorials](#), links to [playgrounds](#), [compilers info](#)
 - Helpful language information and advice
 - Link to [LFortran](#), a Fortran compiler and interpreter
 - Discourse: fortran-lang.discourse.group
 - Fortran Wiki: fortranwiki.org
- Fortran at LBNL: fortran.lbl.gov



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