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- Investigated difference between pure poloidal and combined fields as things currently stand with my code. From what I can tell, there didn't appear to be a considerable difference in the evolution of the field with time, which I find a bit odd.
 - Not sure if this is due to using an **incorrect field configuration (see bullet point about mixed field config.)** or if the evolution is constrained by the limitations of the simulation.
 - Ideally, I'd like to figure out what the deal is with boundary conditions near the poles, see: https://groups.google.com/forum/#!topic/pluto_users/iRk9iZlqM1M
 - Not sure if that's really possible with PLUTO..
 - Perhaps test out excluding poles and set upper and lower BCs to be reflective ("...not good if you have a lot of activity near the poles..."), although we'll try.
- Wrote out mixed B-field equations in Mathematica via Haskell et al. 2008 pp. 540. The component fields require computing the radial derivative of the "Stream Function", A .
 - Next step is to replace the current B-field equations in my init.c with these field component equations.
 - I'm curious about the field evolution for this configuration relative to the "Pure Poloidal" and "Pure Toroidal" configurations. I would expect to see different dynamics as the fields appear mathematically coupled, especially given the λ parameter describing the relative strength of the toroidal part appears in all three field components.
- Discovered a potentially useful source for numerically calculating initial configurations for state variables such as density and pressure via a more involved EOS. The numerous EOSs, named BSK 19, 20, and 21, are considered an improvement upon SLy4 EOS (Douchin & Haensel 2001) and FPS EOS. See: <http://www.ioffe.ru/astro/NSG/BSk/index.html>
 - Downloadable Fortran file, required learning how to link and compile Fortran scripts. The user inputs density values and the program returns pressure values computed for the chosen EOS.
 - What I *really* need is a way to determine density values at a given radius, i.e. an equation for density as a function of radius.
 - The next step is to link this to my current work such that I can replace the analytic EOS for an $n = 1$ polytrope.