

Software Packaging – Condensed Version



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Outline

- Why package?
- General Guidelines & Themes
- Running Walk-Through
 - python package
 - C++ code cmake exports
 - Fortran cmake exports
 - Spack
- Containers





Why Package?



- What does it do?
- How do I set it up?
- Automation can be good...
 - but requires really great documentation!





Why Package?

 Standards and conventions save everyone time



I plug into wall

2 put stuff in top

3. push button

4. take stuff out





github.com/bssw-tutorial/simple-heateq

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Guidelines & Themes

- Start from a portable build system
- Keep source and documentation together
 - So changes are synced
 - YMMV: LAMMPS does this, pyscf does not
- Keep source and tests together
 - Note: some projects maintain separate "reference artifact" repositories
- Split (and separately package) projects that become large
 - Especially true for "optional" components and abstraction layers (aka. "glue-code")





Guidelines & Themes

- Do: Have a CI-level integration test (simulate an external user)
- Do: document manual install process what steps do you actually run?
 - Many projects do this even for dependencies (especially difficult ones)
 - Example: PIConGPU documents how to install Boost (great since boost has many options)
 - Example: DFT-FE documents how to install Deal.II (great since Deal.II is complex)
 - Example: lots more inside .github/workflows folders
- Don't: assume everyone will have access to apt-get / docker / VM for getting dependencies
 as a package consumer ---
- Do: Complain (politely) when something doesn't compile / install / run as documented
 - These are vital fixes and the devs will (should) thank you.
- Do: submit issues / PRs for docs for upstreams
 - Great way to make friends & forge collaborations.





What and Where to File Bugs? Issues? Doc. Requests?

- Doesn't compile / install / run as documented? No documentation?
 - These are vital fixes and the devs will (should) thank you.
 - But first check HPC site facilities / colleagues.
 - Then complain (politely) to maintainers when something doesn't work.
 - "standard" contribution policy: If it isn't obvious to someone, it should be documented.
- Got it working?
 - Document in your own project (will help onboarding, and you later).
 - Reply to same people anyway. (can increase your project's visibility)
- Submit issues / PRs for docs to upstreams.
 - Great way to make friends & forge collaborations.
- Send self-contained, full examples (reference existing docs).





How will other projects use this work?

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```

Front-lines: Documentation!

- * what's expected to work?
- * where / how do I configure it?

executable

```
$PREFIX/bin/
artifact-tools
run-parallel
run-serial
```

headers

```
$PREFIX/include/$PROJ
config.h
heat.h
heat.mod
```

libraries

```
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```





Using the package stack during/with development

• C++:

- Maintain a "env.sh" file loading appropriate modules
- Install all packages you build up into a common "/usr/local" prefix
- Do development there, but be aware that env changes machine to machine

• Python:

- Create a poetry project to use for its virtual environment
 - cd <project>; poetry shell
- Keep working scripts / gist-s there

Spack:

- Create a spack environment (spack env create; spack env activate; spack install; spack load)
- Note also: spack build-env <project name> bash (sets CXXFLAGS, etc.)
- These will load up the environment variables for accessing your installed software

Main complication: working on multiple packages at once – usu. Special specs exist for sourcing filesystem paths / github repos directly





Complications: Software Supply Chain Stability / Security

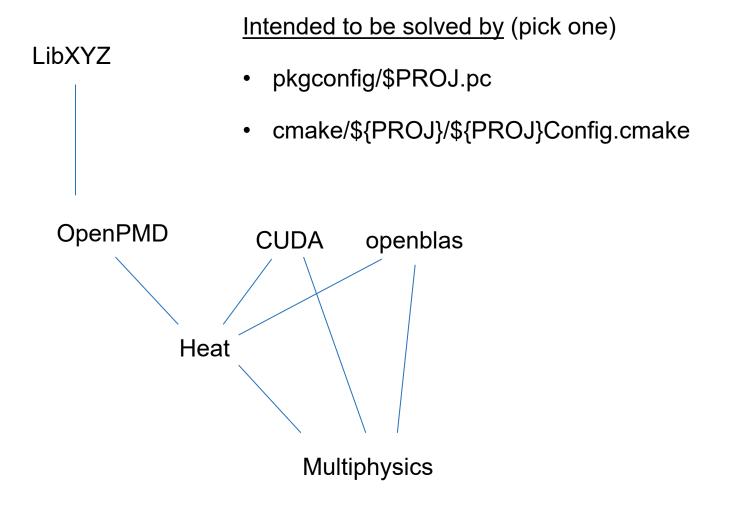
- Packaging systems may install vulnerable software
- Regularly test your dependencies check for CVE-s on dependencies?
- Add GPG-signatures to releases
 - Ensures the code has not been tampered with
 - Places responsibility on developer for ensuring software stack trustworthiness
- Lockfiles npm package-lock.json / Gemfile.lock / poetry.lock / Spack.lock (kind of) / etc.
 - Allows auditing of exact versions for all installed dependencies





Complications: Transitive Build / Link Requirements

- Header include paths
- Library search paths
- Compiler features
 - e.g. C++11/14/17/20
 - Compiler-dependent runtimes (GCC OpenMP vs. Clang)
- Linking features
 - Fat-binary formatted coprocessor objects.







Installing a library with CMake

```
# CMakeLists.txt
...
install(TARGETS ${installable_libs}

DESTINATION lib

EXPORT HeatEqTargets)
install(EXPORT HeatEqTargets

FILE HeatEqTargets.cmake

NAMESPACE HeatEq::
DESTINATION lib/cmake/HeatEq
)
... # 15 more lines of cmake cruft
```

```
# Config.cmake.in

@PACKAGE_INIT@

include (
"${CMAKE_CURRENT_LIST_DIR}/HeateqTargets.cmake")

include(CMakeFindDependencyMacro)
find_dependency(MPI 2.0 REQUIRED)

check_required_components(<package name>)
```

• References:

- github.com/frobnitzem/lib0
- https://code.ornl.gov/99R/mpi-test
- https://cmake.org/cmake/help/git-stage/manual/cmake-packages.7.html#creating-packages





Package Publication Steps – C++ with cmake

- After editing CMakeLists.txt:
- Check and run tests with <u>cmake</u>; <u>make && ctest</u>
- Update ChangeLog, documentation
- git tag -m "Bug fixes to v1.1.1" v1.1.2
- git push
- Change public facing websites, modules, spack versions, links, etc. to point to new version
 - For spack <package name>/package.py, use "spack checksum <package name>"
- ** Users should find and use new versions **
 - This highlights the need for testing deployments using both simultaneous versions and update-in-place strategies. Did you document that?

Releases 12

> libzmq 4.3.4 (Latest on Jan 17, 2021

+ 11 releases



Net result

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- CMakeLists.txt: added library export and a test (calling test_heat.sh)
- README: note "find_package" and "ctest" commands
- ChangeLog: document your success!

```
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--> tests/
        test heat.sh
   30
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```





"Progression" of Packaging

- Build System
 - Automake / scons / cmake / mesonbuild.com
- Package Management
 - Pkg-config / CMake Package Manager / spack
- Containerization
 - Singularity / charliecloud + docker-compose
- References
 - https://supercontainers.github.io/sc20-tutorial/
 - https://fluid-run.readthedocs.io/en/latest/HowTo/setup your repo.html





Containerization

Xen Hypervisor = kernel built to manage kernels

Linux Kernel

Daemons

User Programs

Real Filesystems

Virtual Machine

- Kernel, Daemons
- User Programs + tty/gui
- Disk Image Filesystem

App Container

- Emulated / shared filesystems + images
- User program(s)

. . .

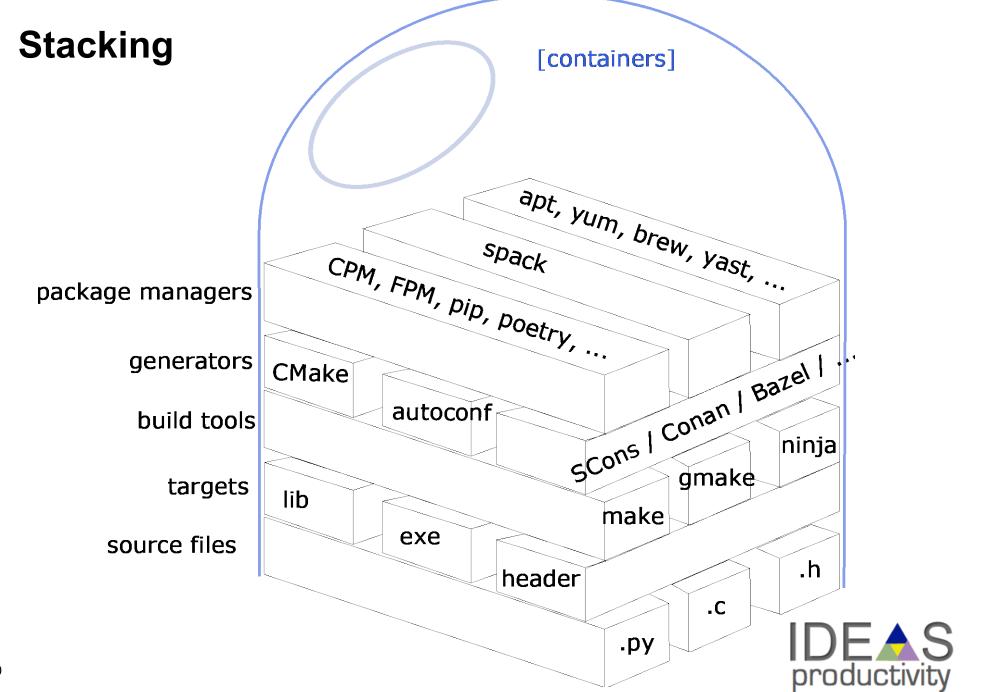
FreeBSD Kernel

Linux Kernel

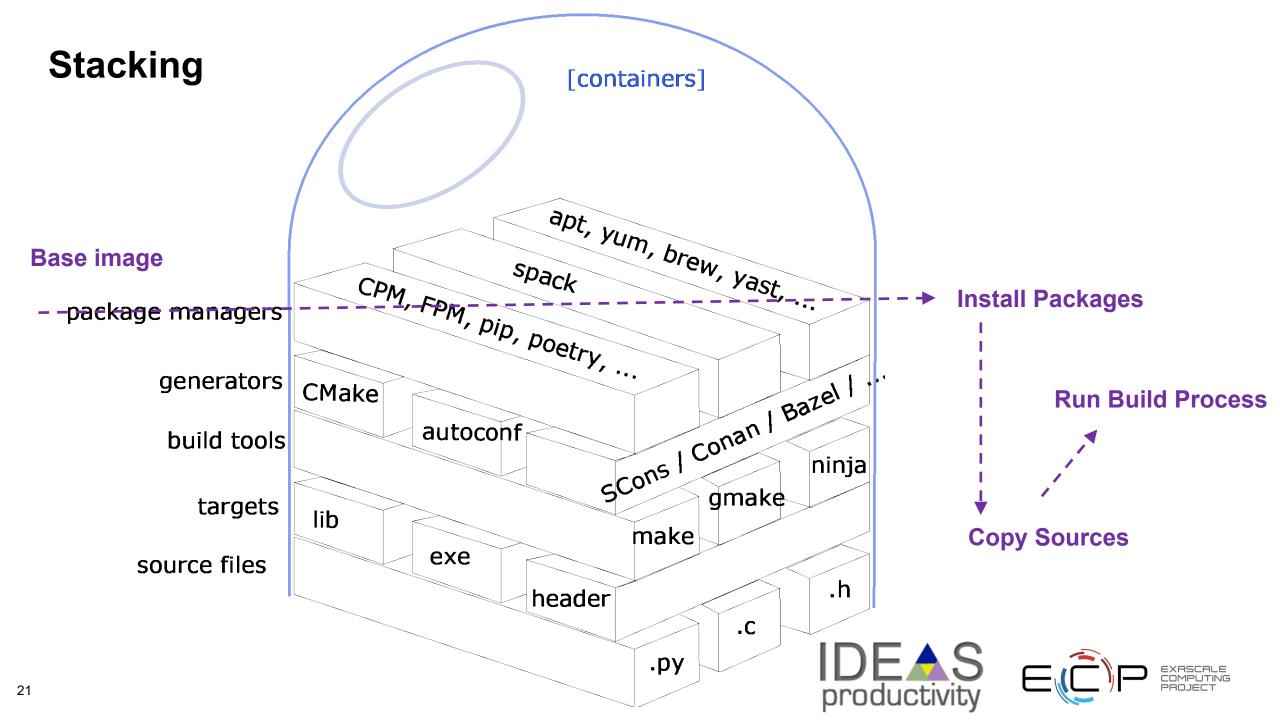
. .











Container Build Examples

User documentation

BootStrap: localimage
From: heateq.sif

%files
 _/app.py /app/app.py

%post
 pip install aiohttp pygit2 mpi-list

%runscript
 /app/app.py

%help
 Simulate heat equation and post to REST API.

Container Build File

```
BootStrap: docker
From: python:3.9

%files
    ./heateq /build/heateq

%post
    apt-get -y update
    apt-get -y install openblas cmake build-essential
    pip install numpy scipy
    mkdir /build/heateq/build && cd /build/heateq/build
    cmake ..; make -j4 install

%help
    Installs heateq library
```

#!/bin/sh

singularity build --remote heateq.sif heateq.def

https://fastapi.tiangolo.com/deployment/docker/#build-a-docker-image-for-fastapi https://supercontainers.github.io/sc20-tutorial/02.docker/index.html https://cloud.sylabs.io/builder



After containerization

```
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120 README
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20 Makefile
15 heateq.def
3 build-singularity.sh
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        test_heat.sh
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```





Conclusion

- Documentation is the beginning and end of packaging
 - Makefiles, dependency lists, and scripts are no substitute for explanations
- Lots of standards & tools to choose from!
 - Make / CMake / autotools
 - py-scaffold / poetry
 - setup,py/"make-ext", scikit-build+cython
 - spack
- Packaging helps you...
 - Interact with your users
 - Improve your developing experience (lower cognitive load)
 - More easily test
 - Deploy faster





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https://bssw.io/blog_posts/bright-spots-team-experiences-implementing-continuous-integration





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Simple Walk-Throughs

- Python pyscaffold
- C++ CMake Library Export
- Fortran CMake Library Export
- C++ spack





- Is this something I am going to re-use?
- Is the documentation good enough that another developer can quickly get it working?
- Can I hold development of new features while I package up what's here?
 - "pausing" a good idea is nontrivial
- Have I tested it in practice? start from a clean copy, follow the directions / tests
- Am I ready to support users of this software? (or write a disclaimer)
- Have I picked a license and figured out what copyright assignment & internal reviews need to happen.
- Have I documented my git workflow (what do branches / tags represent)?





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Tag, release, and Steps to package create downstreams. Structure Document **Targets** End-Usage Test install/run Working? process





Importing a Python Package

github.com/frobnitzem/mpi_list/network/dependencies Dependencies defined in docs/requirements.txt 1 sphinx-doc / sphinx

basic

requirements.txt
heateq >= 0.1

pip install –r requirements.txt export PYTHONPATH=/path/to/heateq python3 app.py # app.py
import heateq

advanced

setup.cfg
install_requires =
 heateq >= 0.1

python -m venv venv
source venv/bin/activate
pip install -e .
python3
>>> import app
>>>

app.py
from heateq.pheat import Params





Python Library Structure

Inside the heateq package: from .pheat import Params

Outside the package: from heateq.pheat import simulate

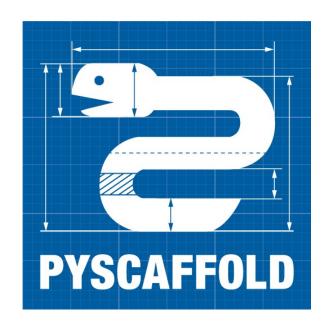




Packaging with pyscaffold

pip3 install pyscaffold
pip3 install tox
putup heateq
cd heateq # tests in tests/ subdir.
tox

```
default run-test: commands[0] | pytest
platform darwin -- Python 3.9.0, pytest-6.2.2, py-1.10.0, pluggy-0.13.1 -- plugins:
cov-2.11.1
collected 2 items
tests/test_skeleton.py::test_fib PASSED
tests/test_skeleton.py::test_main PASSED
----- coverage: platform darwin, python 3.9.0-final-0 ------
Name
            Stmts Miss Branch BrPart Cover Missing
src/heateq/ init .py 6
src/heateq/skeleton.py
TOTAL
                          98%
```



pyscaffold.org



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```

 setup.cfg: editable list of project data & dependencies

```
33 COPYING.rst
   README.rst
 5 AUTHORS.rst
13 CHANGELOG.rst
8 pyproject.toml
68 tox.ini
21 setup.py
100 setup.cfg
  docs/
  tests/
36 CMakeLists.txt
20 Makefile
13 build.sh
--> src/
   143
         heateq/pheat.py
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         fheat.f90
```

- pyproject.toml, tox.ini, setup.py: auto-generated boilerplate
- README: note "pip -e install ." command





Importing a C++ Package

basic

advanced

```
# CMakeLists.txt
option(ENABLE_HEATEQ "Use heateq library." ON)

if(ENABLE_HEATEQ)
find_package(HeatEq 1.0 REQUIRED)
target_link_libraries(app PRIVATE HeatEq::heat)
endif()
```

```
/* app.hpp.in */
#cmakedefine ENABLE_HEATEQ
```





C++ Library Structure

- src/cheat.cppstruct Params {}struct Energy {}
- include/heat.hpp

```
struct Params {}
struct Energy {}
```





Fortran Library Structure

• src/fheat.f90

```
---- gfortran –shared --->
module ArgParser -----> include/argparser.mod

module EnergyField -----> include/energyfield.mod
use ArgParser
-----> lib/heat.so
```

Requires referencing correctly

use EnergyField

```
gfortran –I$inst/include/heateq \
-L$inst/lib \
-WI,-rpath,$inst/lib –lheat \
-o app app.f90
```





Package Publication Steps – Fortran with cmake

- Adding cmake target + tests same as for C++.
- Structure your package following a good example!

Refs:

- Well documented example: https://github.com/leonfoks/coretran
- Modern conventions example: https://selalib.github.io/
- Fortran Package Index: https://www.archaeologic.codes/software
- Fortran Package Manager: https://fpm.fortran-lang.org/





Package Publication Steps – C++ with cmake +



spack.readthedocs.io

```
# heateq/package.py
from spack import *
class HeatEq(CMakePackage):
  "HeatEq: heat conduction kernels"
  homepage = "https://..."
  variant('openmp', default=True)
  depends on("py-pybind11@2.6.2")
  depends on('llvm-openmp', when='%apple-clang +openmp')
  def cmake_args(self):
    spec = self.spec
    args = [ "-DMY BUILD TESTS=YES"
         "-DENABLE_OPENMP=%s" % ("+openmp" in spec)]
    return args
```



Package Publication Steps – C++ with cmake +



Spack replaces "build.sh" with a spec

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```

```
# heateq/package.py
from spack import *
class HeatEq(CMakePackage):
  "HeatEq: heat conduction kernels"
  homepage = "https://..."
  maintainers = ["github-id"]
  def cmake args(self):
    mpi = self.spec["mpi"]
    return [ "-DMPI HOME={0}"
         .format(mpi.prefix) ]
```

- README: now references "spack install heateq"
- Eventually: package.py knows how to compile your package's variants and historical versions





Anatomy of a Spack Dependency "spec"

https://github.com/mpbelhorn/olcf-spack-environments/blob/develop/hosts/frontier/envs/base/spack.yaml

```
<package name>@<version>
    +<enabled option> ~<disabled option>
    % <compiler>@<compiler version>
    ^<dependency1> ^<dependency2> ...
```

https://spack.readthedocs.io/en/latest/packaging_guide.html#dependency-specs

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    +<enabled option> ~<disabled option>
    % <compiler>@<compiler version>
    ^<dependency1> ^<dependency2> ...
```

Advanced Examples: spack edit gcc

- compile-time options to your package:
 - variant('option-name', default=False, description='help text')
- dependency for your package:
 - depends_on("spec string", when="string-to-test-against-my-spec") #, type='build'
- package idiom:

```
def cmake_args(self):
    spec = self.spec
    if spec.satisfies("+myoption"): ...
```





HPC: modules and Spack Development Environments

- Logically, provide a "load package" command
- Spack vs. modules:
 - Spack can create TCL or Imod modules
 - Spack can provide its own "environment views" outside of modules
- All these boil down to setting environment variables





Intermediate Example: C++ with spack

- https://github.com/qcscine/sparrow semi-empirical quantum chemistry
- git clone https://github.com/spack/spack; source spack/share/spack/setup-env.sh; spack compiler find
- spack create https://github.com/qcscine/sparrow/archive/refs/tags/3.0.0.tar.gz
 - creates spack/var/spack/repos/builtin/packages/sparrow/package.py
- spack list cereal; spack info boost ~> depends_on("boost@1.65.0:")

```
Helpful commands:
spack dev-build <package> # skip download & build from the current source directory
spack install -u cmake # download the package & run cmake
spack cd <package> # change to the directory where spack is working
spack build-env <package> bash # run a shell with env setup to build (and develop)
spack clean # clears spack's download/build cache
```





Spack package.py

- spec = self.spec
- spec['mpi'].prefix, spec['mpi'].libs, spec['mpi'].headers

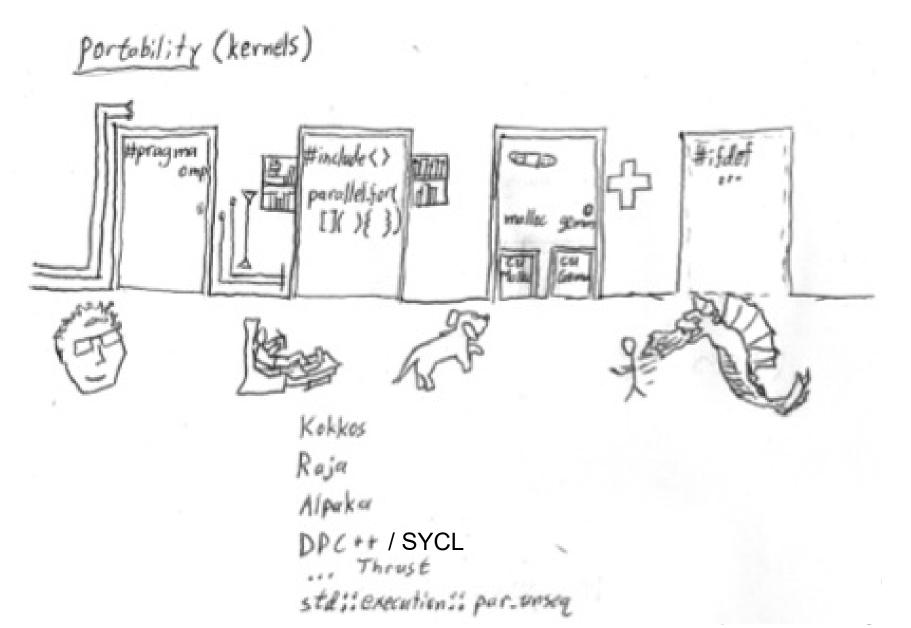
https://spack.readthedocs.io/en/latest/spack.util.html#module-spack.util.prefix

https://spack.readthedocs.io/en/latest/packaging_guide.html#accessing-dependencies





State of Practice – Packaging for Portability





Real-World Example: DCA++

- Dynamic Cluster Approximation
 - Electron correlation involving many tensor contractions (matrix multiplies)
 - C++ code
 - Implements own matrix math library, adding HIP backend

Challenge

- Minimal additions to existing CUDA build method
- Several types of link helpers runtime, blas, kernel

Solution

 Use cmake to include a header-translation layer and change link options – minimal changes to source code.





Real-World Example: DCA++

```
// src/linalg/util/info_gpu.cpp

// This file implements gpu info functions.

#include "dca/config/haves_defines.hpp"

#if defined(DCA_HAVE_CUDA)

#include "dca/linalg/util/error_cuda.hpp"

#elif defined(DCA_HAVE_HIP)

#include "dca/linalg/util/error_hip.hpp"

#include "dca/util/cuda2hip.h"

#endif
```

References:

- https://github.com/CompFUSE/DCA
- https://github.com/twhite-cray/quip
- https://code.ornl.gov/99R/mpi-test/-/tree/gpu_support





Real-World Example: pyscf extension template

- Python Atomic Orbital Code HF, DFT, some CC
 - Modular python design
 - Kernels implemented in C for efficiency
 - Extended functionality as plugins (e.g. analysis helpers, MPI parallelization)

Challenge

- Enable pyscf to "import" its plugins
- Allow plugins to incorporate compiled C libraries

Solution

- Standardize package layout and provide a templated "setup.py" file.

References:

https://github.com/pyscf/extension-template





Real-World Example: pyscf extension template

```
# setup.py
def make ext(pkg name, srcs,
       libraries=[], library dirs=[pyscf lib dir],
       include_dirs=[], extra_compile_flags=[],
       extra_link_flags=[], **kwargs):
  return Extension(pkg_name, srcs,
            libraries = libraries,
            library dirs = library dirs,
            include dirs = include dirs + library dirs,
            extra_compile_args = extra_compile_flags,
            extra_link_args = extra_link_flags,
            runtime library dirs = runtime library dirs, **kwargs)
if 'SO EXTENSIONS' in metadata:
  settings['ext_modules'] = [make_ext(k, v) for k, v in SO_EXTENSIONS.items()]
```

References:

https://github.com/pyscf/extension-template





Real-World Example: ZFP

- Scientific Data Compression Library
 - C++ code
 - Focus is on multidimensional arrays
- Challenge
 - Export all functionality to python with minimal effort
 - C++ code contains non-trivial data structures and link dependencies
- Solution
 - Adopt scikit-build process using cython C++ wrappers

- References:
 - https://github.com/LLNL/zfp
 - https://scikit-build.readthedocs.io





Real-World Example: ZFP

```
# python/zfpy.pyx
cpdef bytes compress_numpy(
  np.ndarray arr,
  double tolerance = -1,
  double rate = -1,
  int precision = -1,
  write header=True
 # Setup zfp structs to begin compression
 cdef zfp field* field =
      _init_field(arr)
 cdef zfp_stream* stream =
      zfp stream open(NULL)
```

• References:

- https://github.com/LLNL/zfp
- https://scikit-build.readthedocs.io

```
# python/CMakeLists.txt
...
add_cython_target(zfpy zfpy.pyx C)
```

```
# python/zfpy.pxd
import cython
cimport libc.stdint as stdint
cdef extern from "bitstream.h":
  cdef struct bitstream:
    pass
  bitstream* stream_open(void* data, size_t)
  void stream close(bitstream* stream)
```





Real-World Example: Cabana

- Molecular Dynamics (Particle) simulation library
 - C++ code using Kokkos performance portability library
 - Focus is on flexible data layouts for particles

Challenge

- Provide a spack compile recipe correctly targeting Kokkos library
- Allow user-selection of kokkos backends and features to be visible from library
- Connect to library consumers (MD applications)

Solution

Careful documentation of spack options required from its Kokkos dependency





Real-World Example: Cabana

```
# spack edit cabana
from spack.pkg.builtin.kokkos import Kokkos
  versions = {
    ":0.2.0": "-legacy",
    "0.3.0": "@3.1:",
    "0.4.0": "@3.2:"
  for _version, _kk_version in _versions.items():
    for _backend in _kokkos_backends:
      if ( kk version == "-legacy" and backend == 'pthread'):
         _kk_spec = 'kokkos-legacy+pthreads'
      elif (_kk_version == "-legacy" and
          backend not in ['serial', 'openmp', 'cuda']):
         continue
      else:
         _kk_spec = 'kokkos{0}+{1}'.format(_kk_version, _backend)
      depends_on(_kk_spec, when='@{0}+{1}'.format(_version, _backend))
```

Makefile Recommendations

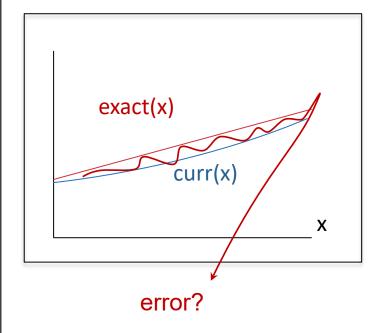
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Running Tests via makefile

```
$ make check all
   c++ -c -linclude -DHEAT_VERSION_MAJOR=0 -
   DHEAT VERSION MINOR=5 args.C -o args.o
   c++ -o heat heat.o utils.o args.o exact.o ftcs.o upwind15.o
   crankn.o -lm
    ./heat runame=check outi=0 maxt=-5e-8 ic="rand(0,0.2,2)"
      runame="check"
   Stopped after 001490 iterations for threshold 2.46636e-15
   cat check/check soln final.curve
   # Temperature
    ./check.sh check/check soln final.curve 0
make completes: commands succeeded
```



steady-state test (should be straight line)





TODO – try out new build tools and add tests to them

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existing makefile

makefile

```
# Implicit rule for object files
%.o: %.C
$(CXX) -c $(CXXFLAGS) $(CPPFLAGS) $< -o $@

# Linking the final heat app
heat: $(OBJ)
$(CXX) -o heat $(OBJ) $(LDFLAGS) -lm
```

Standard makefile – user selects compile flags.

- but flags and features are compiler and system-specific
- enter automake and cmake -> generate makefiles





Conversion to cmake (entire file)

CMakeLists.txt

https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/guide/tutorial/index.html

```
cmake minimum required(VERSION 3.8)
project(heat VERSION 0.5 LANGUAGES CXX)
# can change boolean variable with "-DCMAKE BUILD TESTS=OFF"
option(BUILD_TESTS "Build the tests accompanying this program." ON)
# pass cmake options (e.g. version) into a header
configure file(include/version.H.in include/version.H)
add executable(heat args.C crankn.C ...) # list sources
# feature — lets cmake adjust flags for compiler --std=c++11 vs —c11
target compile features(heat cxx std 11)
# include directories for all files in this target:
target include directories(heat ${PROJECT BINARY DIR}/include)
if(BUILD_TESTS) add_subdirectory(tests) endif() # subdir for tests
install(TARGETS heat DESTINATION bin) # "make install" target
```





existing tests

makefile include (tests.mk)

Create a test driver to:

- 1. run executable
- 2. check result
- 3. clean up outputs





Addition to CMakeLists.txt

https://cmake.org/cmake/help/latest/command/add_test.html

tests/CMakeLists.txt

Lots of potential for programmatically creating tests!

Try and keep it simple – complex cmake code is bad form





Bonus: swap out test driver (perl -> awk)

tests/testDriver.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
set –e # exit immediately on error
errbnd=1e-7
alg="$2"
$1 alg=$alg runame=check_$alg outi=0 maxt=-5e-8 ic="rand(0,0.2,2)"
# absolute error check (deviation from straight line)
err=(awk 'function abs(x){return ((x < 0.0) ? -x : x)}; BEGIN {err=1e10;} ! /#/ {err1=abs($2-$1); if(err1)}; if(err1)
< err) err = err1;} END {print err;}' check_$alg/check_${alg}_soln_final.curve)</pre>
echo "Error = $err"
rm -fr check $alg # delete directory to test is re-runnable
awk "BEGIN {exit($err >= $errbnd);}" # final return code
```

Running

cmake ..
make -j
cd tests && ctest

```
Test project hello-numerical-world/build/tests
  Start 1: ftcs
1/3 Test #1: ftcs ...... Passed 0.02 sec
  Start 2: crankn
2/3 Test #2: crankn ...... Passed 0.02 sec
  Start 3: upwind15
3/3 Test #3: upwind15 ...... Passed 0.03 sec
100% tests passed, 0 tests failed out of 3
Total Test time (real) = 0.08 sec
```

Going Further

- Reproduce these testing strategies on another repository
 - github.com/frobnitzem/simple-heateq (same problem, different design)
- Brainstorm some simple tests you could add to your own project
 - checks you've run manually
 - difficult-to-setup and reproduce cases that could be automated
- Add some "blank tests" to your project
 - reduces the barrier to increased testing
 - What would make reporting on your build / run status better/simpler/more accessible?





Conclusion – C, kernels, makefiles, CMakeLists, coverage, etc.

- Start your projects small, stay organized
 - makefiles provide fast development path
 - add tests before complexity grows!
 - simple to do with a "make check" target
- cmake (like autoconf) helps make portable builds
 - find_package
 - programmatic build options
 - set target properties -> cmake looks up compiler flags for you
- good testing strategies exist for both
 - directly run the executable with all options
 - create shell-script "test driver"
 - build stand-alone executables loading a library



