MiMes: Misalignment Mechanism Solver

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The axion EOM

Axions and ALPs follow a similar equation of motion (EOM):

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} + 3H(t) \frac{d}{dt}\right)\theta(t) + \tilde{m}_a{}^2(t) \sin\theta(t) = 0 ,$$

where $\theta = A f_a$, with A the axion filed, and f_a some energy scale that characterises the potential (Peccei-Quinn breaking scale).

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MiMeS

We need accurate code that solves the EOM, but most importantly we need *reproducible* results!

First of all:

- MiMes is a C++ header-only library that contains various templated classes; there is no "installation" and no special procedures, just include the header files.
- MiMeS comes with a python interface so that everybody can use it.
- MiMeS is distributed under the MIT license; you can do whatever you want with it, and I am not responsible.

MiMeS also

- Is easy to use; anyone can run it and see if their model can work or check against the literature.
- ullet Is reasonably fast; less than $0.05\ s$ for the scenarios tested.
- Provides full access to results and their errors, which can help determine if the results are accurate.
- Asks the user to decide when to start, stop, and when adiabaticity is reached; no guesses anywhere!

MiMes under the hood

MiMeS relies on Nabbodes 2 for the numerical integration, and SimpleSplines 3 for the various interpolations.

Advantages:

- You only need to have the standard C++ library.
- The two libraries are developed by myself, so their integration with MiMes is seamless.
- There is always going to be a compatible version of these libraries that works with MiMes.

Disadvantages:

- These are not well tested libraries.
- No community of contributors; if it doesn't work, I have to fix it.
- Slow development.

https://github.com/dkaramit/NaBBODES.

https://github.com/dkaramit/SimpleSplines.

How to get MiMeS

There are several ways you can get a stable version of MiMes:

- git clone -b stable https://github.com/dkaramit/MiMeS.git.
 This is the preferred way, as it is guaranteed to be the latest stable version.
- Go to mimes.hepforge.org/downloads, and download it.
- Go to github.com/dkaramit/MiMeS/releases, and download a released version.

You can get the most up-to-date code — not always the most stable one — including the latest version of NaBBODES and SimpleSplines, by running

```
git clone https://github.com/dkaramit/MiMeS.git cd MiMeS git submodule init git submodule update --remote
```

Configure (and make)

There is no need to install anything if you are going to use MiMeS in a C++ program. The only thing you *must* do is run

bash configure.sh

Alter that, you can include the header file MiMeS/MiMeS.hpp, and you are good to go.

However, you can also run

- make lib, in order to produce the (shared) libraries. This is needed in order to run the python interface.
- make examples, in order to compile the examples in MiMeS/UserSpace/Cpp.
- make exec, in order to produce some test executables (in MiMeS/exec). You just need to run then in order to see if you get any segfaults.

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Template arguments

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You also need to tell MiMeS which integration strategy to use. This is done by choosing template arguments:

- Solver can be set to 1 for Rosenbrock (semi-implicit Runge-Kutta). The Method argument in this case can be:
 - RODASPR2<LD> (4th order).
 - ROS34PW2<LD> (3rd order).
 - ROS3W<LD> (2rd order, very bad).
- Solver can be set to 2 for explicit RK. The Method argument can be:
 - DormandPrince<LD> (7th order)
 - CashKarpRK45<LD> (5th order, very bad).
 - RK45<LD> (5th order, very bad).

⁷ You could choose float, but we live in 2021.

MiMeS from python

In order to call the python interface of MiMeS, we need to first call make lib in the root directory of MiMeS.

Before that, we can take some time to decide what the template arguments and compilation options should be. In the file MiMes/Definitions.mk, you can change the variables:

- LONGpy=long will compile the library with long double numeric types. LONGpy= will compile the library with double numeric types.
- SOLVER and METHOD, as in the template arguments.

Also, in the same file, you can change compilation options:

- Compiler:
 - CC=g++ in order to use the GNU C++ compiler.
 - CC=clang -lstdc++ in order to use the clang C++ compiler.
- Optimization level:
 - OPT=00: No optimization.
 - OPT=01, 02, or 03: all these perform mostly the same (read the compiler documentation for more information on the optimization).
 - OPT=Ofast: full optimization (fast, but dangerous).

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- Only the EOM determines the energy density (no annihilations, no strings, etc.).

Apart from θ_{ini} and f_a , keep in mind that MiMeS needs:

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- Other input, related to the algorithm, that might confuse you; *e.g.* temperature at which integration stops no *matter what*!

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Define everything and solve in just a few lines of code!

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from time import time; from sys import stderr #vou need these in order to print the time in stderr
    #add the relative path for MiMeS/src
    from sys import path as sysPath; sysPath.append('../src')
    from interfacePv.AxionMass import AxionMass #import the AxionMass class
    from interfacePy. Axion import Axion #import the Axion class
    from interfacePv.Cosmo import mP #import the Planck mass
    def main():
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         # AxionMass instance
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         axionMass = AxionMass(r'../src/data/chi.dat',0,mP)
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         # define \tilde{m}_a{}^2 for T \leq T_{\min} TMin, chiMin=axionMass.getTMin(), axionMass.getChiMin()
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         axionMass.set ma2 MIN( lambda T.fa; chiMin/fa/fa)
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         # define \tilde{m}_a^2 for T \ge T_{\text{max}}
TMax, chiMax=axionMass.getTMax(), axionMass.getChiMax()
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         axionMass.set_ma2_MAX( lambda T.fa; chiMax/fa/fa*pow(TMax/T.8.16))
         #in python it is more convenient to use relative paths
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         inputFile="../UserSpace/InputExamples/MatterInput.dat"
         ax = Axion(0.1, 1e16, 500, 1e-4, 1e3, 10, 1e-2, inputFile, axionMass,
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             1e-2. 1e-8. 1e-2. 1e-10. 1e-10. 0.85. 1.5. 0.85. int(1e7))
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         ax.solveAxion()
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         print("theta_i=",ax.theta_i,"\t\t\t\","f_a=",ax.fa,"GeV\n","theta_osc~=",
ax.theta_osc,"\t","T_osc~=",ax.T_osc,"GeV_\n","Omega, h^2=",ax.relic)
         #once we are done we should run the destructor del ax,axionMass
                  == ' main ':
         name
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         =time()
         main()
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         print(round(time() - ,3),file=stderr)
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Notice: C++ and python are quite similar!

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#include<iomanip>
#include"MiMeS.hpp"
using numeric = long double;//make life easier if you want to change to double
int main(){
    mimes::util::Timer timer ://use this to time it!
    // use chi PATH to interpolate the axion mass.
    mimes::AxionMass<numeric> axionMass(chi PATH,0,mimes::Cosmo<numeric>::mP):
    /*set \tilde{m}_a^{\ 2} for T \geq T_{\max}*/ numeric TMax=axionMass.getTMax(), chiMax=axionMass.getChiMax();
    axionMass.set ma2 MAX(
        [&chiMax,&TMax](numeric T, numeric fa){ return chiMax/fa/fa*std::pow(T/TMax, -8.16);}
    ):
    /*set \tilde{m}_a^2 for T \leq T_{\min}*/
    numeric TMin=axionMass.getTMin(), chiMin=axionMass.getChiMin();
    axionMass.set ma2 MIN(
        [&chiMin,&TMin](numeric T, numeric fa){ return chiMin/fa/fa;}
    ):
    /*this path contains the cosmology*/
    std::string inputFile = std::string(rootDir)+
        std::string("/UserSpace/InputExamples/MatterInput.dat"):
    /*declare an instance of Axion*/
    mimes::Axion<numeric, 1, RODASPR2<numeric> > ax(0.1, 1e16, 500, 1e-4, 1e3, 10, 1e-2,
                     inputFile, &axionMass, 1e-2, 1e-8, 1e-2, 1e-10, 1e-10, 0.85, 1.5, 0.85,
                     int(1e7) ):
    /*solve the EOM!*/
ax.solveAxion();
    std::cout<<std::setprecision(5)
    <="theta i="<<ax.theta i<<std::setw(25)<<"f a="<<ax.fa<<" GeV\n"<<"theta osc~="<<ax.theta osc
    <<std::setw(20)<<"T osc~="<<ax.T osc<<"GeV \n"<<"Omega h^2="<<ax.relic<<"\n";</pre>
    return 0:
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What we saw:

- MiMes solves the axion/ALP EOM.
- MiMeS treats both the mass and the underlying cosmology as user inputs.
- MiMes allows the user to change a number of other things, from the plasma RDOFs to the convergence conditions.

MiMeS may be amended in the future because:

- MiMes should allow the user to consider different initial value of $\dot{\theta}$; the "kinematic" MiMes might come soon.
- MiMes should be able to handle non-vanishing RHS; i.e. solve the "driven" dumped time-dependent pendulum.
- MiMes should be able to compare against searches on the fly.

Thank you!

Breakdown of MiMes:

Language	files	comment	code
C/C++ Header C++ Python	35 20 22	444 198 367	1595 1106 1000
SUM:	77	1009	3701





Backup

(equations, derivations, tables)

WKB - I

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} + 3H(t) \frac{d}{dt} + \tilde{m}_a^2(t)\right) \theta(t) = 0.$$

Reparametrize by introducing

$$\theta_{\rm trial} = \exp \left[i \int dt \, \left(\psi(t) + 3/2 \; i \; H(t) \right) \right] \; . \label{eq:trial}$$

The Eome, then becomes just

$$\psi^2 = \Omega^2 + i \; \dot{\psi} \; ,$$

with $\Omega^2=\tilde{m}_a{}^2-\frac{9}{4}H^2-\frac{3}{2}\dot{H}$. The solution takes the form $\psi=\pm\sqrt{\Omega^2+i\dot{\psi}}$. However, for $\dot{\psi}\ll\Omega^2$ and $\dot{\Omega}\ll\Omega^2$, it can be approximated as

$$\psi \approx \pm \Omega + \frac{i}{2} \frac{d \log \Omega}{dt}$$
.

WKB - II

So, after applying the initial conditions, the EOM is solved by

$$\theta(t) \approx \theta_{\rm ini} \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_{\rm ini}}{\Omega(t)}} \left(\frac{a}{a_{\rm ini}}\right)^{-3/2} \; \cos \left(\int_{t_{\rm ini}}^t dt' \; \Omega(t')\right) \; . \label{eq:theta}$$

Taking $t_{\rm ini}=t_{\rm osc}$ (i.e. $\dot{\theta}(t_{\rm osc})=0$, which is not generally good), have

$$\theta(t) \approx \theta_{\rm osc} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{1/4} \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{m}_a|_{t=t_{\rm osc}}}{\tilde{m}_a(t)}} \left(\frac{a}{a_{\rm osc}}\right)^{-3/2} \; \cos\left(\int_{t_{\rm osc}}^t dt' \; \tilde{m}_a(t')\right) \; , \label{eq:theta_cosc}$$

where $\theta_{\rm osc}=\theta|_{t=t_{\rm osc}}.$ This equation is further simplified if we assume that $\theta_{\rm osc}\approx\theta_{\rm ini}$ (again not really good), *i.e.*

$$\theta(t) \approx \theta_{\rm ini} \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{1/4} \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{m}_a|_{t=t_{\rm osc}}}{\tilde{m}_a(t)}} \left(\frac{a}{a_{\rm osc}}\right)^{-3/2} \, \cos\left(\int_{t_{\rm osc}}^t dt' \; \tilde{m}_a(t')\right) \; . \label{eq:theta}$$

Adiabatic invariant – I

Given a system with Hamiltonian $\mathcal{H}(\theta,p;t)$, the equations of motion are

$$\dot{p} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \theta} \; , \; \dot{\theta} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p} \; .$$

Also,

$$d\mathcal{H} = \dot{\theta} dp - \dot{p} d\theta + \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial t} dt.$$

If this system exhibits closed orbits (e.g. if it oscillates), we define

$$J \equiv C \oint p \ d\theta \ ,$$

where the integral is over a closed path (e.g. a period, T), and C indicates that J can always be rescaled with a constant. If the Hamiltonian varies slowly during a cycle,

$$\frac{dJ}{dt} = C \oint \left(\dot{p} \, d\theta + p \, d\dot{\theta} \right) = C \int_{t}^{t+T} \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial t'} \, dt' \approx T \left. \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}(t')}{\partial t'} \right|_{t'=t} \approx 0 \; .$$

So, J is an adiabatic invariant!

Adiabatic invariant - II

The Hamiltonian that results in the EOM

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p^2}{f_2^2 a^3} + V(\theta) a^3 ,$$

with

$$p = f_a^2 a^3 \dot{\theta}$$
$$V(\theta) = \tilde{m}_a^2 f_a^2 (1 - \cos \theta).$$

If \mathcal{H} varies slowly $-\dot{\tilde{m}}_a(T)/\tilde{m}_a\ll\tilde{m}_a$ and $H\ll\tilde{m}_a$, then

$$J = \frac{\oint p \, d\theta}{\pi f_a^2} = \frac{1}{\pi f_a^2} \oint \sqrt{2 \left(\mathcal{H}(\theta) - V(\theta) \, a^3\right) \, f_a^2 a^3} \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{2}{\pi f_a^2} \int_{-\theta_{\text{peak}}}^{\theta_{\text{peak}}} \sqrt{2 \left(\mathcal{H}(\theta_{\text{peak}}) - V(\theta) \, a^3\right) \, f_a^2 a^3} \, d\theta$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi f_a} \int_{-\theta_{\text{peak}}}^{\theta_{\text{peak}}} \sqrt{V(\theta_{\text{peak}}) - V(\theta)} a^3 d\theta$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \tilde{m}_a \, a^3 \int_{-\theta_{\text{peak}}}^{\theta_{\text{peak}}} \sqrt{\cos \theta - \cos \theta_{\text{peak}}} \, d\theta \,,$$

is the adiabatic invariant – up to a multiplication with a constant.

C++ Input

AxionMass class – Definition via file

In order to define an instance of the AxionMass class that interpolates the \tilde{m}_a , use the constructor:

- 1 template<class LD>
- 2 mimes::AxionMass<LD>(std::string chi_PATH, LD minT=0, LD maxT=mimes::Cosmo::mP)

The arguments are:

- ① chi_Path: Relative or absolute path to data file with T (in GeV), $\chi(T)$ (in GeV^4).
- $exttt{@}$ minT, maxT: Interpolation limits. These are used in order to stop the interpolation at the closest temperatures that exist in the data file. This means that the actual interpolation limits are $T_{\min} \geq \min T$ and $T_{\max} \leq \max T$. Beyond these limits hat axion mass is assumed to be constant.

The definition of $\tilde{m}_a{}^2$ beyond T_{\min} and T_{\max} can be changed to realistic function, using mimes::AxionMass<LD>::set_ma2_MIN(std::function<LD(LD,LD)> ma2_MIN) and mimes::AxionMass<LD>::set_ma2_MAX(std::function<LD(LD,LD)> ma2_MAX). These definitions may need the actual values of $T_{\min,\max}$ and $\chi(T_{\min,\max})$. These are obtained from

- template<class LD> LD mimes::AxionMass<LD>::getTMin(): This function returns the minimum interpolation temperature, Tmin.
- template<class LD> LD mimes::AxionMass<LD>::getTMax(): This function returns the maximum interpolation temperature, $T_{\rm max}$.
- template<class LD> LD mimes::AxionMass<LD>::getChiMin(): This function returns $\chi(T_{\min})$.
- template<class LD> LD mimes::AxionMass<LD>::getChiMax(): This function returns $\chi(T_{\rm max})$.

Note that all std::function<LD(LD,LD)> can be any callable object that takes T and f_a and returns $\tilde{m}_a{}^2$.

class - Definition via function

In order to define an instance of the AxionMass class via a function, use the constructor:

- template<class LD> mimes::AxionMass<LD>(std::function<LD(LD,LD)> ma2)

Here, ma2 can be any callable object that takes T and f_a and returns $\tilde{m}_a{}^2$.

Axion class – Expected input

The constructor of the Axion class is

The input that MiMeS expects is:

- 1 theta_i: Initial angle.
- fa The PQ scale.
- **1** umax: Once $u = \log a/a_i >$ umax, the integration stops. Typical value: ~ 500 .
- TSTOP: Once T < TSTOP, integration stops. Typical value: 10^{-4} GeV .
- **5** ratio_ini: Integration starts at u with $3H/\tilde{m}_a \approx$ ratio_ini. Typical value: $\sim 10^3$.
- N_convergence_max, convergence_lim: Integration stops when the relative difference between two consecutive peaks is less than convergence_lim for N_convergence_max consecutive peaks.
- inputFile: Relative (or absolute) path to a file that describes the cosmology. The columns should be: $u T [\operatorname{GeV}] \log H$, with acceding u. Entropy injection should have stopped before the lowest temperature of given in inputFile.
- axionMass: Instance of mimes:: AxionMass<LD> class. In C++ this instance is passed as a pointer to the constructor of the mimes:: Axion<LD, Solver, Method> class, while in python it is simply passed as a variable.

Axion class – Optional input

The optional input, relative to the RK algorithm, is:

- \bullet initial_stepsize: Initial step-size of the solver. Default value: 10^{-2} .
- 2 minimum_stepsize: Lower limit of the step-size. Default value: 10^{-8} .
- $\ensuremath{ 3} \ensuremath{ }$ maximum_stepsize: Upper limit of the step-size. Default value: 10^{-2} .
- absolute_tolerance: Absolute tolerance of the RK solver. Default value: 10^{-8} .
- 6 beta: Aggressiveness of the adaptation strategy. Default value: 0.9.
- fac_max, fac_min: The step-size does not change more than fac_max and less than fac_min within a trial step. Default values: 1.2 and 0.8, respectively.
- $\$ maximum_No_steps: If integration needs more than maximum_No_steps integration stops. Default value: 10^7 .

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AxionMass class – Definition via file

The actual constructor of the AxionMass in the python interface is AxionMass(*args). However, it is intended to be used in *only* two ways. In order to define an instance of the AxionMass class that interpolates the \tilde{m}_a , use the constructor as:

1 AxionMass(chi_PATH, minT=0, maxT=Cosmo.mP)

The arguments are the same as in the C++ case.

The definition of $\tilde{m}_a{}^2$ beyond T_{\min} and T_{\max} can be changed using AxionMass.set_ma2_MIN(ma2_MIN) and AxionMass.set_ma2_MAX(ma2_MAX). These definitions may need the actual values of $T_{\min,\max}$ and $\chi(T_{\min,\max})$. These are obtained from

- \bullet AxionMass.getTMin(): This function returns the minimum interpolation temperature, $T_{\min}.$
- \bullet AxionMass.getTMax(): This function returns the maximum interpolation temperature, $T_{\rm max}.$
- AxionMass.getChiMin(): This function returns $\chi(T_{\min})$.
- AxionMass.getChiMax(): This function returns $\chi(T_{\rm max})$.

The difference between the C++ case is that ma2 cannot be any callable object; it has to be a regular function that takes T and f_a and returns $\tilde{m}_a{}^2$.

AxionMass class – Definition via function

In order to define an instance of the AxionMass class via a function, use the constructor as:

1 AxionMass(ma2)

The difference between the C++ case is that ma2 cannot be any callable object; it has to be a regular function that takes T and f_a and returns \tilde{m}_a^2 .

Axion class

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The constructor of the Axion class is

Axion(theta_i, fa, umax, TSTOP, ratio_ini, N_convergence_max, convergence_lim, inputFile, axionMass, initial_step_size=1e-2, minimum_step_size=1e-8, maximum_step_size=1e-2, absolute_tolerance=1e-8, beta=0.9, fac_max=1.2, fac_min=0.8, maximum_No_steps=10000000)

All the arguments are the same as in the C++ case. The only difference is that the AxionMass instance (axionMass) is not passed as a pointer, as there is no direct way to do it in python. However, the underlying object is the same, as it is converted internally using ctypes.

Files and compilation variables

Paths.mk

There are some paths to file that the user can provide in order to use different data for the RDOF, anharmonic factor, and χ (optional).

These paths are stored as strings in MiMeS/src/misc_dir/path.hpp when bash configure.sh is run.

These paths can be changed by changing the following variables in <code>MiMeS/Paths.mk</code>:

- ullet cosmoDat: Relative path to data file with T (in ${
 m GeV}$), $h_{
 m eff}$, $g_{
 m eff}$.
- axMDat: Relative path to data file with T (in GeV), $h_{\rm eff}$, $g_{\rm eff}$. This variable can be ommitted if the user indents to define all masses via functions.
- anfidat: Relative path to data file with $\theta_{\rm peak}$, $f(\theta_{\rm peak})$.

It is advisable that if the paths change bash configure.sh and make should be run.

Template arguments

You need to choose what numeric type to use. This is done by the template argument LD which should be double (fast) or long double (accurate). 8

You also need to tell MiMeS which integration strategy to use. This is done by choosing template arguments:

- Solver can be set to 1 for Rosenbrock (semi-implicit Runge-Kutta). The Method argument in this case can be:
 - RODASPR2<LD> (4th order).
 - ROS34PW2<LD> (3rd order).
 - ROS3W<LD> (2rd order, very bad).
- Solver can be set to 2 for explicit RK. The Method argument can be:
 - DormandPrinceRK45<LD> (7th order)
 - CashKarpRK45<LD> (5th order, very bad).
 - RK45<LD> (5th order, very bad).

⁸ You could choose float, but we live in 2021.

Definitions.mk

In order to call the python interface of MiMeS, we need to first call make lib in the root directory of MiMeS.

Before that, we can take some time to decide what the template arguments and compilation options should be. In the file MiMes/Definitions.mk, you can change the variables:

- LONGpy=long will compile the library with long double numeric types. LONGpy= will compile the library with double numeric types.
- SOLVER and METHOD, as in the template arguments.

Also, in the same file, you can change compilation options:

- Compiler:
 - CC=g++ in order to use the GNU C++ compiler.
 - CC=clang -lstdc++ in order to use the clang C++ compiler.
- Optimization level:
 - OPT=00: No optimization.
 - 0=01, 02, or 03: all these perform mostly the same (read the compiler documentation for more information on the optimization).
 - OPT=Ofast: full optimization (fast, but dangerous).