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Variables revisited

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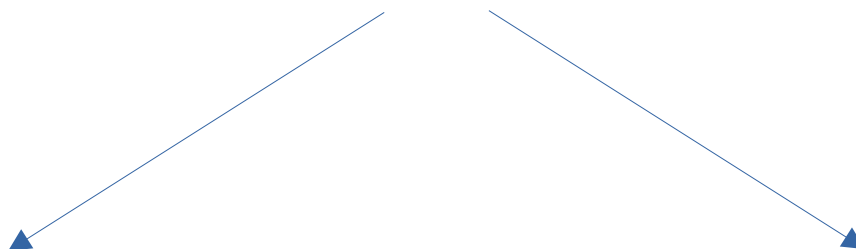


Derived variables – common derivations

All derivations available to ReMKiT1D at runtime are contained in a textbook object

A number of prebuilt derivations are always available - **standard textbook**

However, all derivations can be built using custom derivations



Composing elementary derivations

Generating expression trees

Derived variables – composing elementary derivations

Simple derivation:
$$v = c \prod_m v_m^{p_m}$$

Additive derivation:
$$v = c \left(\sum_m a_m d_m \right)^p$$
 where d are results of other derivation objects

Multiplicative derivation:
$$v = d_1^{p_1} f(d_2^{p_2})$$
 where f is a Fortran intrinsic function

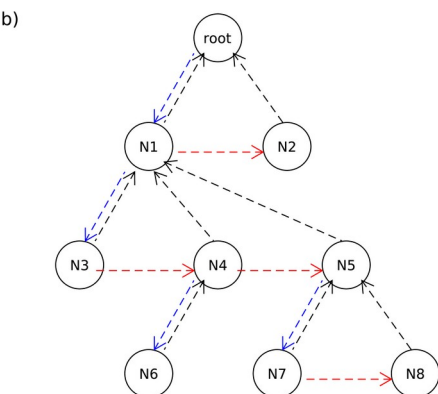
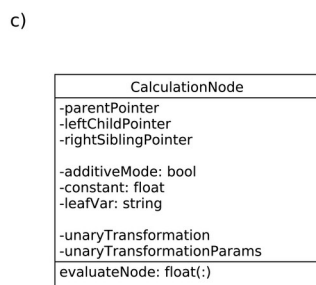
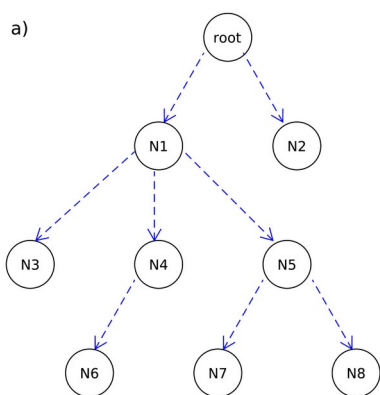
Other derivations include:

- Polynomial derivations (can be used to implement AMJUEL rates)
- Moment derivations (for distribution variables)
- Extrapolation derivations
- Derivations calculating velocity space derivatives of distributions

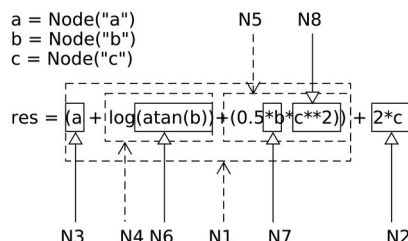
See [simple_containers.py](#) for all elementary and composition derivations available

Derived variables – calculation tree derivations

Composing elementary derivations is powerful, but can lead to complexity since each derivation needs to be separately registered



d) Example:



Instead, we can generate derivations from Python expressions using trees

These can then be composed in the same way as elementary derivations

Examples in hands-on sessions

Implicit variables – stationary variables

So far we've ignored equations which do not have a time derivative

$$\Delta \varphi = f \qquad q = \kappa \nabla T$$

In ReMKiT1D these can be handled by declaring variables as stationary

A stationary variable satisfies $d/dt = 0$

Terms “evolving” a stationary variable are simply RHS terms in an equation like

$$0 = S_1 + S_2 + \dots$$

Stationary variables are equivalent to declaring derivations that are calculated implicitly – allowing for those variables to be used in matrix terms

Hands-on session