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raytraverse is a workflow for climate based daylight simulation for the evaluation of architectural spaces. Built around a wavelet guided adaptive sampling strategy, raytraverse can fully explore the daylight conditions throughout a space with efficient use of processing power and storage space.

- Free software: Mozilla Public License 2.0 (MPL 2.0)
- Documentation: <https://raytraverse.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>.

INSTALLATION

The easiest way to install raytraverse is with pip:

```
pip install --upgrade pip setuptools wheel  
pip install raytraverse
```

or if you have cloned this repository:

```
cd path/to/this/file  
pip install .
```

while raytraverse installs with the necessary essentials of radiance, it is recommended to also install radiance (see: <https://github.com/LBNL-ETA/Radiance/releases> and make sure you or the installer also sets the \$RAYPATH variable) this is especially important if your material or light source definitions rely on .cal files distributed with radiance, such as perezlum.cal, window.cal, etc. Missing .cal files or other scene errors can cause raytraverse traverse to abort with cryptic error messages (the number value is not meaningful and will be different every time):

```
python: : Unknown error -1624667552
```

If you encounter such an error, make sure your scene is valid in your current environment, using rvu, rpict, or rtrace.

1.1 Windows

Currently raytraverse is only compatible with macOS and linux operating systems. One way to use raytraverse on a Windows machine is with Docker. In addition to the Docker installation, this process will require about 2.5 GB of disk space.

1. Install Docker from: <https://www.docker.com/products/docker-desktop/> (click on “Windows”) and then follow the installation instructions.
2. Open the newly installed Docker Desktop application (you do not need to sign in or create an account)
3. In an empty directory make a file called Dockerfile_first with the following contents:

```
# syntax=docker/dockerfile:1  
# docker build -f Dockerfile_first . --tag raytraverse:latest  
FROM python:3.9  
  
WORKDIR /build  
RUN apt-get update  
RUN apt-get -y install man  
  
SHELL ["/bin/bash", "-c"]  
RUN pip3 install raytraverse  
RUN curl -s https://api.github.com/repos/LBNL-ETA/Radiance/releases\?per_page\=1
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→ \
| grep "browser_download_url.*Linux.zip" | cut -d: -f2,3 | tr -d \' | wget -i -
RUN unzip Radiance_*_Linux.zip
RUN tar -xzf radiance-*_Linux.tar.gz
WORKDIR /radiance
RUN rm -rf bin lib man
RUN mv /build/radiance-*_Linux/usr/local/radiance/* ./
RUN rm -rf /build

ENV RAYPATH=.:/radiance/lib
ENV MANPATH=/radiance/man
ENV PATH=/radiance/bin:$PATH
RUN raytraverse --help
WORKDIR /working

```

4. in a command prompt navigate to this folder and run the following to create a docker image with raytraverse and radiance installed:

```
docker build - --tag raytraverse:latest < Dockerfile_first
```

5. To use raytraverse, navigate to a local folder that contains all necessary files (radiance scene files, sky data, etc.).
6. Now, in this folder (note that you may need to change the syntax of “\$(pwd)” to be compatible with your shell, this works with the basic windows command prompt):

```
docker run -it --name rayt --mount type=bind,source="$(pwd)",target=/working
→ raytraverse /bin/bash
```

7. You now have a linux/bash command prompt in an environment with raytraverse, radiance, and python 3.9 installed. The current directory will be named “working” within the linux environment and is a shared resource with the host (changes on the host side are immediately seen in the container and vice versa). When you are finished, exit the linux shell (“exit”), then in the (now) windows command prompt:

```
docker rm rayt
```

8. for ease of use, you can put these two lines in a .bat file somewhere in your execution PATH, just make sure that docker desktop is running before calling:

```
docker run -it --name rayt --mount type=bind,source="$(pwd)",target=/working
→ raytraverse /bin/bash
docker rm rayt
```

9. to update raytraverse, the process is similar to step 4, but with a slightly different dockerfile:

```

# syntax=docker/dockerfile:1
# docker build -f Dockerfile_update . --tag raytraverse:latest
FROM raytraverse:latest

WORKDIR /build

SHELL ["/bin/bash", "-c"]
RUN pip3 install --upgrade --no-deps craytraverse
RUN pip3 install --upgrade --no-deps clasp
RUN pip3 install --upgrade --no-deps raytraverse
RUN curl -s https://api.github.com/repos/LBNL-ETA/Radiance/releases\?per_page\=1
→ \
| grep "browser_download_url.*Linux.zip" | cut -d: -f2,3 | tr -d \' | wget -i -

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```
RUN unzip Radiance_*_Linux.zip
RUN tar -xzf radiance-*~Linux.tar.gz
WORKDIR /radiance
RUN rm -rf bin lib man
RUN mv /build/radiance-*~Linux/usr/local/radiance/* ./
RUN rm -rf /build

ENV RAYPATH=.:/radiance/lib
ENV MANPATH=/radiance/man
ENV PATH=/radiance/bin:$PATH
RUN raytraverse --help
WORKDIR /working
```

and this command:

```
docker build - --tag raytraverse:latest < Dockerfile_update
```

10. see the Docker settings for information about resource allocation to the docker container.

**CHAPTER
TWO**

USAGE

raytraverse includes a complete command line interface with all commands nested under the *raytraverse* parent command enter:

```
raytraverse --help
```

raytraverse also exposes an object oriented API written primarily in python. calls to Radiance are made through Renderer objects that wrap the radiance c source code in c++ classes, which are made available in python with pybind11. see craytraverse (<https://pypi.org/project/craytraverse/>).

For complete documentation of the API and the command line interface either use the Documentation link included above or:

```
pip install -r docs/requirements.txt  
make docs
```

to generate local documentation.

**CHAPTER
THREE**

COMMAND LINE INTERFACE

The raytraverse command provides command line access to executing common tasks. The best way to manage all of the options is with a .cfg file. First, generate a template:

```
raytraverse --template > options.cfg
```

and then edit the options for each file. for example, here is a simplified configuration for a low accuracy sample simulation, assuming a model scaled in meters where plane.rad is between 4m and 10m on each side:

```
[shared]
weather_file = weather.epw

[raytraverse_scene]
out = outdir
scene = room.rad

[raytraverse_area]
ptres = 2.0
zone = plane.rad

[raytraverse_suns]
epwloc = True
loc = ${shared:weather_file}

[raytraverse_skydata]
wea = ${shared:weather_file}
skyres = 10

[raytraverse_skyengine]
accuracy = 2.0
skyres = 10

[raytraverse_sunengine]
accuracy = 2.0
rayargs = -ab 0
nlev = 5

[raytraverse_skyrun]
accuracy = 2.0
edgemode = reflect
nlev = 2

[raytraverse_sunrun]
accuracy = 3.0
edgemode = reflect
nlev = 2
```

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```
srcaccuracy = 2.0
srcnlev = 2

[raytraverse_images]
basename = results
blursun = True
interpolate = highc
res = 800
resampleview = True
sdirs = None
sensors = None
skymask = 0:24

[raytraverse_evaluate]
basename = results
sdirs = None
sensors = None
skymask = None

[raytraverse_pull]
col = metric point
gridhdr = True
ofiles = results
skyfill = ${shared:weather_file}
viewfilter = 0
```

and then from the command line run:

```
raytraverse -c options.cfg skyrun directskyrun sunrun evaluate pull
```

3.1 raytraverse

```
raytraverse [OPTIONS] COMMAND1 [ARGS]... [COMMAND2 [ARGS]...]...
```

the raytraverse executable is a command line interface to the raytraverse python package for running and evaluating climate based daylight models. sub commands of raytraverse can be chained but should be invoked in the order given.

the easiest way to manage options is to use a configuration file, to make a template:

```
raytraverse --template > run.cfg
```

after adjusting the settings, then each command can be invoked in turn and any dependencies will be loaded with the correct options, a complete run and evaluation can then be called by:

```
raytraverse -c run.cfg skyrun sunrun evaluate
```

as all required precursor commands will be invoked automatically as needed.

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-config, -c <PATH>

path of config file to load

-n <INTEGER>

sets the environment variable RAYTRAVERSE_PROC_CAP set to 0 to clear (parallel processes will use cpu_limit)

-out <DIRECTORY>

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--template, --no-template

write default options to std out as config

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

Commands

scene

define scene files for renderer and output...

area

define sampling area

suns

define solar sampling space

skydata

define sky conditions for evaluation

skyengine

initialize engine for skyrun

sunengine

initialize engine for sunrun

sourceengine

initialize engine for sunrun

skyrun

run scene under sky for a set of points...

directskyrun

sunrun

run scene for a set of suns (defined by...)

sourcerun

run scene for a single source (or multiple...)

images

render images

evaluate

evaluate metrics

pull

3.1.1 scene

```
raytraverse scene [OPTIONS]
```

define scene files for renderer and output directory

Effects:

- creates outdir and outdir/scene.oct

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-out <DIRECTORY>

-scene <TEXT>

space separated list of radiance scene files (no sky) or precompiled octree

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--log, --no-log

log progress to stderr

Default

True

--reload, --no-reload

if a scene already exists at OUT reload it, note that if this is False and overwrite is False, the program will abort

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):**--overwrite, --no-overwrite**

Warning! if set to True all files inOUT will be deleted

Default

False

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.2 area`raytraverse area [OPTIONS]`

define sampling area

Effects:

- None

Options**VALUE OPTIONS:****-jitterrate <FLOAT>**

fraction of each axis to jitter over

Default

0.5

-name <TEXT>

name for zone/point group (impacts file naming)

Default

plan

-printlevel <INTEGER>

print a set of sun positions at sampling level (overrides printdata)

-ptres <FLOAT>
initial sampling resolution for points (in model units)
Default
1.0

-rotation <FLOAT>
positive Z rotation for point grid alignment
Default
0.0

-static_points <TEXT>
points to simulate, this can be a .npy file, a whitespace seperated text file or entered as a string with commas between components of a point and spaces between points. points should either all be 3 component (x,y,z) or 6 component (x,y,z,dx,dy,dz) but the dx,dy,dz is ignored

-zheight <FLOAT>
replaces z in points or zone

-zone <TEXT>
zone boundary to dynamically sample. can either be a radiance scene file defining a plane to sample or an array of points (same input options as -static_points). Pointsare used to define a convex hull with an offset of 1/2*ptres in which to sample. Note that if static_pointsand zone are both give, static_points is silently ignored

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--printdata, --no-printdata
if True, print areamapper positions (either boundary or static points)
Default
False

HELP:

-opts, --opts
check parsed options
Default
False

--debug
show traceback on exceptions
Default
False

--version
Show the version and exit.
Default
False

3.1.3 suns

```
raytraverse suns [OPTIONS]
```

define solar sampling space

Effects:

- None

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-jitterrate <FLOAT>

fraction of each axis to jitter over

Default

0.5

-loc <TEXT>

can be a number of formats:

1. a string of 3 space seperated values (lat lon mer) where lat is +west and mer is tz*15 (matching gen-daylit).
2. a string of comma seperated sun positions with multiple items seperated by spaces: “0,-.7,.7 .7,0,.7” following the shape requirements of 3.
3. a file loadable with np.loadtxt() of shape (N, 2), (N,3), (N,4), or (N,5):
 - a. 2 elements: alt, azm (angles in degrees)
 - b. 3 elements: dx,dy,dz of sun positions
 - c. 4 elements: alt, azm, dirnorm, diffhoriz (angles in degrees)
 - d. 5 elements: dx, dy, dz, dirnorm, diffhoriz.
4. path to an epw or wea formatted file: solar positions are generated and used as candidates unless –epwloc is True.
5. None (default) all possible sun positions are considered

in the case of a location, sun positions are considered valid when in the solar transit for that location. for candidate options (2., 3., 4.), sun positions are drawn from this set (with one randomly chosen from all candidates within adaptive grid).

-name <TEXT>

name for solar source group (impacts file naming)

Default

suns

-printlevel <INTEGER>

print a set of sun positions at sampling level (overrides printdata)

-skyro <FLOAT>

counterclockwise sky-rotation in degrees (equivalent to clockwise project north rotation)

Default

0.0

-sunres <INTEGER>

initial sampling resolution for suns (as sqrt of samples per hemisphere)

Default

9

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--epwloc, --no-epwloc

if True, use location from epw/wea argument to -loc as a transit mask (like -loc option 1.) instead of as a list of candidate sun positions.

Default

False

--printdata, --no-printdata

if True, print skymapper sun positions (either boundary or candidates in xyz coordinates)

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.4 skydata

```
raytraverse skydata [OPTIONS]
```

define sky conditions for evaluation

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- write outdir/name.npz (SkyData initialization object)

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-ground_fac <FLOAT>

ground reflectance

Default

0.2

-loc <FLOATS>

location data given as ‘lat lon mer’ with + west of prime meridian overrides location data in wea

-minalt <FLOAT>

minimum solar altitude for daylight masking

Default

2.0

-mindiff <FLOAT>

minimum diffuse horizontal irradiance for daylight masking

Default

5.0

-mindir <FLOAT>

minimum direct normal irradiance for daylight masking

Default

0.0

-name <TEXT>

output file name for skydata

Default

skydata

-skyres <INTEGER>

resolution of sky patches ($\sqrt{\text{patches} / \text{hemisphere}}$).

Default

15

-skyro <FLOAT>

angle in degrees counter-clockwise to rotate sky (to correct model north, equivalent to clockwise rotation of scene)

Default

0.0

-wea <TEXT>

path to epw, wea, .npy file or np.array, or .npz file, if loc not set attempts to extract location data (if needed).

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--reload, --no-reload

reload saved skydata if it exists in scene directory

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--printdata, --no-printdata

if True, print solar position and dirnorm/diff of loaded data

Default

False

--printfull, --no-printfull

with printdata, if True, print full unmasked skydata

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.5 skyengine

```
raytraverse skyengine [OPTIONS]
```

initialize engine for skyrun

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- creates outdir/scene_sky.oct

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-accuracy <FLOAT>

a generic accuracy parameter that sets the threshold variance to sample. A value of 1 will have a sample count at the final sampling level equal to the number of directions with a contribution variance greater than .25

Default

1.0

-adpatch <INTEGER>

prefered instead of -ad/-lw in rayargs to better coordinate settings of ad/lw and skypatch division, consider doubling this with each halving of accuracy and in cases with high proportion indirect contributions, such as deep spaces or complex fenestrations

Default

50

-dcompargs <TEXT>

additional arguments for running direct component. when using, set -ab in sunengine.rayargs to this ab minus one.

Default

-ab 1

-idres <INTEGER>

the initial directional sampling resolution (as sqrt of samples per hemisphere)

Default

32

-nlev <INTEGER>

number of directional sampling levels, yielding a finalresolution of idres^2 * 2^(nlev) samples per hemisphere

Default

5

-rayargs <TEXT>

additional arguments to pass to the rendering engine

-skyres <INTEGER>

resolution of sky patches (sqrt(patches / hemisphere)).Must match argument givein to skydata

Default

15

-vlt <FLOAT>

primary transmitting vlt, used to scale the accuracy parameter to the expected scene variance. Optional, but helpful with, for example, electrochromic glazing or shades

Default

0.64

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--default-args, --no-default-args

use raytraverse defaults before -rayargs, if False, uses radiance defaults. defaults are: -u+ -ab 16 -av 0 0 0 -aa 0 -as 0 -dc 1 -dt 0 -lr -14 -ad adpatch*(skyres^2+1) -lw 0.008/(skyres^2+1)/adpatch -st 0 -ss 16 -c 1. note that if this is false -ad and -lw will not be automatically set

Default

True

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.6 sunengine

```
raytraverse sunengine [OPTIONS]
```

initialize engine for sunrun

Effects:

- Invokes scene

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-accuracy <FLOAT>

a generic accuracy parameter that sets the threshold variance to sample. A value of 1 will have a sample count at the final sampling level equal to the number of directions with a contribution variance greater than .25

Default

1.0

-idres <INTEGER>

the initial directional sampling resolution (as sqrt of samples per hemisphere)

Default

32

-nlev <INTEGER>

number of directional sampling levels, yielding a finalresolution of idres^2 * 2^(nlev) samples per hemisphere

Default

6

-rayargs <TEXT>

additional arguments to pass to the rendering engine, by default sets -ab 0, pass “” to clear

Default

-ab 0

-vlt <FLOAT>

primary transmitting vlt, used to scale the accuracy parameter to the expected scene variance. Optional, but helpful with, for example, electrochromic glazing or shades

Default

0.64

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):**--default-args, --no-default-args**

use raytraverse defaults before -rayargs, if False, uses radiance defaults. defaults are: -u+ -ab 16 -av 0 0 0 -aa 0 -as 0 -dc 1 -dt 0 -lr -14 -ad 1000 -lw 0.00004 -st 0 -ss 16 -w-

Default

True

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.7 sourceengine

```
raytraverse sourceengine [OPTIONS]
```

initialize engine for sunrun

Effects:

- Invokes scene

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-idres <INTEGER>

the initial directional sampling resolution (as sqrt of samples per hemisphere)

Default

32

-nlev <INTEGER>

number of directional sampling levels, yielding a finalresolution of idres^2 * 2^(nlev) samples per hemisphere

Default

6

-rayargs <TEXT>

additional arguments to pass to the rendering engine

-source <TEXT>

name for this source

Default

source

-srcfile <FILE>

scene source description (required)

-t0 <FLOAT>

initial sample threshold (in cd/m^2), use instead of accuracy when source luminance and meaningful differenceis known

Default

20.0

-t1 <FLOAT>

final sample threshold (in cd/m^2), use instead of accuracy when source luminance and meaningful differenceis known

Default

400.0

-vlt <FLOAT>

Leave at 1.0 for interior light sources. primary transmitting vlt, used to scale the accuracy parameter to the expected scene variance. Optional, but helpful with, for example, electrochromic glazing or shades

Default

1.0

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--color, --no-color

Default

True

--default-args, --no-default-args

use raytraverse defaults before -rayargs, if False, uses radiance defaults. defaults are: -u+ -ab 16 -av 0 0 0 -aa 0 -as 0 -dc 1 -dt 0 -lr -14 -ad 1000 -lw 0.00004 -st 0 -ss 16 -w-

Default

True

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.8 skyrun

```
raytraverse skyrun [OPTIONS]
```

run scene under sky for a set of points (defined by area)

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- Invokes area (no effects)
- Invokes skyengine
- **creates outdir/area.name/sky_points.tsv**
 - contents: 5cols x N rows: [sample_level idx x y z]
- **creates outdir/area.name/sky#####.rytpt**
 - each file is a LightPointKD initialization object

Options**VALUE OPTIONS:****-accuracy <FLOAT>**

parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling)

Default

1.0

-edgemode <CHOICE>

if ‘constant’ value is set to -self.t1, so edge is always seen as detail. Internal edges (resulting from PlanMapper borders) will behave like ‘nearest’ for all options except ‘constant’

Default

reflect

Options

constant | reflect | nearest | mirror | wrap

-nlev <INTEGER>

number of levels to sample (final resolution will be ptres/2^(nlev-1))

Default

3

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--jitter, --no-jitter

jitter samples on plane within adaptive sampling grid

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--overwrite, --no-overwrite

If True, reruns sampler when invoked, otherwise will first attempt to load results

Default

False

--plotp, --no-plotp

plot pdfs and sample vecs for each level

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.9 directskyrun

```
raytraverse directskyrun [OPTIONS]
```

Options

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--overwrite, --no-overwrite

If True, reruns sampler when invoked, otherwise will first attempt to load results

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.10 sunrun

```
raytraverse sunrun [OPTIONS]
```

run scene for a set of suns (defined by suns) for a set of points (defined by area)

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- Invokes area (no effects)
- Invokes sunengine (no effects)
- **creates outdir/area.name/sun_######_points.tsv**
 - contents: 5cols x N rows: [sample_level idx x y z]
- **creates outdir/area.name/sky/sun_######_#####.rytpt**
 - each file is a LightPointKD initialization object

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-accuracy <FLOAT>

parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling)

Default

1.0

-edgemode <CHOICE>

if ‘constant’ value is set to -self.t1, so edge is always seen as detail. Internal edges (resulting from PlanMapper borders) will behave like ‘nearest’ for all options except ‘constant’

Default

reflect

Options

constant | reflect | nearest | mirror | wrap

-nlev <INTEGER>

number of levels to sample (final resolution will be ptres/2^(nlev-1))

Default

3

-srcaccuracy <FLOAT>

parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling)

Default

1.0

-srcnlev <INTEGER>

number of levels to sample (final resolution will be sunres*2^(nlev-1))

Default

3

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--jitter, --no-jitter

jitter samples on plane within adaptive sampling grid

Default

True

--recover, --no-recover

If True, recovers existing sampling

Default

True

--srcjitter, --no-srcjitter

jitter solar source within adaptive sampling grid for candidate SkyMappers, only affects weighting of selecting candidates in the same grid true positions are still used

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):**--overwrite, --no-overwrite**

If True, reruns sampler when invoked, otherwise will first attempt to load results

Default

False

--plotp, --no-plotp

plot pdfs and sample vecs for each level

Default

False

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.11 sourcerun

```
raytraverse sourcerun [OPTIONS]
```

run scene for a single source (or multiple defined in a single scene file)

- Do not run as part of the same call as sunrun
- make sure rayargs are properly set in sunengine (not -ab 0)

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- Invokes area (no effects)
- Invokes sunengine (no effects)
- **creates outdir/area.name/SOURCE_points.tsv**
 - contents: 5cols x N rows: [sample_level idx x y z]
- **creates outdir/area.name/sky/SOURCE#####.rypt**
 - each file is a LightPointKD initialization object

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-accuracy <FLOAT>

parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling)

Default

1.0

-distance <FLOAT>

when using scene detail, the difference in ray length equivalent to final sampling luminance threshold

Default

0.5

-edgemode <CHOICE>

if ‘constant’ value is set to -self.t1, so edge is always seen as detail. Internal edges (resulting from PlanMapper borders) will behave like ‘nearest’ for all options except ‘constant’

Default

reflect

Options

constant | reflect | nearest | mirror | wrap

-nlev <INTEGER>

number of levels to sample (final resolution will be ptres/2^(nlev-1))

Default

3

-normal <FLOAT>

when using scene detail, the difference in surface normal (degrees) equivalent to final sampling luminance threshold

Default

5.0

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--jitter, --no-jitter

jitter samples on plane within adaptive sampling grid

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--overwrite, --no-overwrite

If True, reruns sampler when invoked, otherwise will first attempt to load results

Default

False

--plotp, --no-plotp

plot pdfs and sample vecs for each level

Default

False

--scenedetail, --no-scenedetail

If True, includes scene details (distance, surface normal, and modifier as features). Increases sampling rate to improve image reconstruction

Default

False

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.12 images

```
raytraverse images [OPTIONS]
```

render images

Prerequisites:

- skyrun and sunrun must be manually invoked prior to this

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- Invokes skydata
- invokes area (no effects)
- invokes suns (no effects)
- writes: output images according to –namebyindex

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:**-bandwidth <INTEGER>**

used by interpolation.

Default

20

-basename <TEXT>

prefix of namebyindex.

Default

results

-interpolate <CHOICE>

Options

linear | fast | high | fastc | highc || None | False

-res <INTEGER>

image resolution

Default

800

-resamptrad <FLOAT>

radius for resampling sun vecs

Default

0.0

-resuntol <FLOAT>

tolerance for resampling sun views

Default

1.0

-sdirs <TEXT>

sensor directions, this can be a .npy file, a whitespace seperated text file or entered as a string with commas between components of a point and spaces between points. vectors should all be 3 component (dx,dy,dz). used with 3-component -sensors argument, all points are run for allviews, creating len(sensors)*len(sdids) results. this is the preferred option for multiple view directions, as the calculations are grouped more efficiently

-sensors <TEXT>

sensor points, this can be a .npy file, a whitespace seperated text file or entered as a string with commas between components of a point and spaces between points. points should either all be 3 component (x,y,z) or 6 component (x,y,z,dx,dy,dz). If 3 component, -sdids is required, if 6-component, -sdids is ignored. leave as None for zonal evaluation (sdids required)

-simtype <TEXT>

simulation process/integration type:

- 1comp: standard DC method, sky patch only, full contribution depending on skyengine settings
- 2comp: sky patch for sky contribution, sun run for sun contribution, depth of contributions depends on skyengine and sunengine settings, no approximation for sun from sky patch
- 3comp: 2-phase DDS, sky handles sky+indirect sun, sun handles direct sun requires directskyrun -ab 1 and sunrun -ab 0
- 1compdv: standard DC method, but with direct view replacement of sun and specular reflections
- directview: only evaluate srcviewpts (direct views to sun and specular reflections)
- directpatch: only evaluate results from dskyrun
- sunonly: only evaluate results from sunrun
- sunpatch: use skyrun results to evaluate sun contribution
- skyonly: use skyrun to evaluate sky contribution only

or source name (overrides -resampleview, -directview, etc.)

Default

3comp

-skymask <INTS>

mask to reduce output from full SkyData, enter as index rows in wea/epw file using space seperated list or python range notation:

- 370 371 372 (10AM-12PM on jan. 16th)
- 12:8760:24 (everyday at Noon)

-viewangle <FLOAT>**Default**

180.0

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):**--maskfull, --maskday**

if false, skymask assumes daystep indices

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):**--blursun, --no-blursun**

for simulating point spread function for direct sun view

Default

False

--directview, --no-directview

if True, ignore sky data and use daylight factors directly

Default

False

--namebyindex, --no-namebyindex

if False (default), names images by: <prefix>_sky-<row>_pt-<x>_<y>_<z>_vd-<dx>_<dy>_<dz>.hdr if True, names images by: <prefix>_sky-<row>_pt-<pidx>_vd-<vidx>.hdr, where pidx, vidx refer to the order of points, and vm.

Default

False

--resampleview, --no-resampleview

resample direct sun view directions

Default

False

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.13 evaluate

```
raytraverse evaluate [OPTIONS]
```

evaluate metrics

Prerequisites

- skyrun and sunrun must be manually invoked prior to this

Effects:

- Invokes scene
- Invokes skydata
- invokes area (no effects)
- invokes suns (no effects)
- writes: <basename>.npz light result file (use “raytraverse pull” to extract data views)

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-basename <TEXT>

LightResult object is written to basename.npz.

Default

results

-metrics <TEXTS>

metrics to compute, choices: [“illum”, “avglum”, “ger”, “ugp”, “dgp”, “tasklum”, “backlum”, “dgp_t1”, “log_gc”, “dgp_t2”, “ugr”, “threshold”, “pwsL2”, “view_area”, “backlum_true”, “srcillum”, “srcarea”, “maxlum”]

Default

illum dgp ugp

-resamprad <FLOAT>

radius for resampling sun vecs

Default

0.0

-resuntol <FLOAT>

tolerance for resampling sun views

Default

1.0

-sdirs <TEXT>

sensor directions, this can be a .npy file, a whitespace seperated text file or entered as a string with commas between components of a point and spaces between points. vectors should all be 3 component (dx,dy,dz). used with3-component -sensors argument, all points are run for allviews, creating len(sensors)*len(sdirs) results. thisis the preferred option for multiple view directions, asthe calculations are grouped more efficiently

-sensors <TEXT>

sensor points, this can be a .npy file, a whitespace seperated text file or entered as a string with commas between components of a point and spaces between points. points should either all be 3 component (x,y,z) or 6 component (x,y,z,dx,dy,dz). If 3 component, -sdirs is required, if 6-component, -sdirs is ignored. leave as None for zonal evaluation (sdirs required)

-simtype <TEXT>

simulation process/integration type:

- 1comp: standard DC method, sky patch only, full contribution depending on skyengine settings
- 2comp: sky patch for sky contribution, sun run for sun contribution, depth of contributions depends on skyengine and sunengine settings, no approximation for sun from sky patch
- 3comp: 2-phase DDS, sky handles sky+indirect sun, sun handles direct sun requires directskyrun -ab 1 and sunrun -ab 0
- 1compdv: standad DC method, but with direct view replacement of sun and specular reflections
- directview: only evaluate srcviewpts (direct views to sun and specular reflections)
- directpatch: only evaluate results from dskyrun
- sunonly: only evaluate results from sunrun
- sunpatch: use skyrun results to evaluate sun contribution
- skyonly: use skyrun to evaluate sky contribution only

or source name (overrides –resampleview, –directview, etc.

Default

3comp

-skymask <INTS>

mask to reduce output from full SkyData, enter as index rows in wea/epw file using space seperated list or python range notation:

- 370 371 372 (10AM-12PM on jan. 16th)
- 12:8760:24 (everyday at Noon)

-threshold <FLOAT>

same as the evalglare -b option. if factor is larger than 100, it is used as constant threshold in cd/m2, else this factor is multiplied by the average task luminance. task position is center of image with a 30 degree field of view

Default

2000.0

-viewangle <FLOAT>**Default**

180.0

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):**--maskfull, --maskday**

if false, skymask assumes daystep indices

Default

True

--npz, --no-npz

write LightResult object to .npz, use ‘raytraverse pull’ or LightResult(‘basename.npz’) to access results

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--blursun, --no-blursun

for simulating point spread function for direct sun view

Default

False

--coercesumsafe, --no-coercesumsafe

to speed up evaluation, treat sources separately, only compatible with illum, avgillum, ugp (but note this is often WRONG!!!), dgp

Default

False

--lowlight, --no-lowlight

use lowlight correction for dgp

Default

False

--resampleview, --no-resampleview

resample direct sun view directions

Default

False

--serr, --no-serr

include columns of sampling info/errors columns are: sun_pt_err, sun_pt_bin, sky_pt_err, sky_pt_bin, sun_err, sun_bin. ‘err’ is distance from queried vector to actual. ‘bin’ is the unraveled idx of source vector at a 500^2 resolution of the mapper.

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.1.14 pull

```
raytraverse pull [OPTIONS]
```

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-col <TEXTS>

axis to preserve and order for flattening, if not all axes are specified default order is (sky, point, view, metric) the first value is the column preserved, the second (with -ofiles) is the file to write, and the rest determine the order for ravelling into rows.

Default

metric

-imgfilter <INTS>

image indices to return (ignored for lightfield result)

-imgzone <TEXT>

for making images from ZonalLightResult, path to areato sample over.

-lr <FILE>

.npz LightResult, overrides lightresult from chained commands (evaluate/imgmetric). required if not chained with evaluate or imgmetric.

-metricfilter <TEXTS>

metrics to return (non-existant are ignored)

-ofiles <TEXT>

if given output serialized files along first axis (given by order) with naming [ofiles]_XXXX.txt

-ptfilter <INTS>

point indices to return (ignored for imgmetric result)

-res <INTEGER>

image resolution for plan based image pulls.

Default

480

-skyfill <FILE>

path to skydata file. assumes rows are timesteps. skyfilter should be None and other beside col should reduce to 1 or ofiles is given and sky is not first in order and all but first reduces to 1. LightResult should be a full evaluation (not masked)

-skyfilter <INTS>

sky indices to return (ignored for imgmetric result)

-spd <INTEGER>

steps per day. for use with -gridhdr col != sky matches data underlying -skyfill

Default

24

-viewfilter <INTS>

view direction indices to return (ignored for imgmetric result)

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

```
--header, --no-header
    print col labels
    Default
        True

--rowlabel, --no-rowlabel
    label row
    Default
        True
```

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

```
--gridhdr, --no-gridhdr
    use with 'ofiles', order 'X point/sky Y' and make sure Y only has one value (with appropriate filter)
    Default
        False

--info, --no-info
    skip execution and return shape and axis info about LightResult
    Default
        False
```

HELP:

```
-opts, --opts
    check parsed options
    Default
        False

--debug
    show traceback on exceptions
    Default
        False

--version
    Show the version and exit.
    Default
        False
```

3.2 raytu

```
raytu [OPTIONS] COMMAND1 [ARGS]... [COMMAND2 [ARGS]]...]
```

the raytu executable is a command line interface to utility commands as part of the raytraverse python package.
the easiest way to manage options is to use a configuration file, to make a template:

```
raytu --template > run.cfg
```

after adjusting the settings, than each command can be invoked in turn and any dependencies will be loaded with the correct options, for example:

```
raytraverse -c run.cfg imgmetric pull
```

will calculate metrics on a set of images and then print to the stdout.

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-config, -c <PATH>

path of config file to load

-n <INTEGER>

sets the environment variable RAYTRAVERSE_PROC_CAP set to 0 to clear (parallel processes will use cpu_limit)

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--template, --no-template

write default options to std out as config

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

Commands

transform

coordinate transformations

imgmetric

calculate metrics for hdr images, similar...

project

project images between angular and...

lp2img

make hdr directview of lightpoint

pull

merge

padsky

pad filtered result data according to sky...

3.2.1 transform

```
raytu transform [OPTIONS]
```

coordinate transformations

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-cols <INTS>

coordinate columns (if none uses first N as required)

-d <TEXT>

a .npy file, a whitespace seperated text file (can be - for stdin) or entered as a string with commas between components of a point and spaces between rows.

-op <CHOICE>

transformation: ‘xyz2xy’: cartesian direction vector to equiangular. ‘xyz2aa’: cartesian direction vector to alt/azimuth. ‘xyz2tp’: cartesian to spherical (normalized). ‘xyz2uv’: cartesian to shirley-chiu square. ‘uv2xyz’: shirley-chiu square to certesian.

Default

xyz2xy

Options

xyz2xy | xyz2aa | xyz2tp | xyz2uv | uv2xyz

-outf <TEXT>

if none, return to stdout, else save as text file

-reshape <INTS>

reshape before transform (before flip)

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--flip, --no-flip

transpose matrix before transform (after reshape)

Default

False

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.2.2 imgmetric

```
raytu imgmetric [OPTIONS]
```

calculate metrics for hdr images, similar to evalglare but without glare source grouping, equivalent to -r 0 in evalglare. This ensures that all glare source positions are weighted by the metrics to which they are applied. Additional peak normalization reduces the deviation between images processed in different ways, for example pfilter with -r, rpict drawsource(), or an undersampled vwrays | rtrace run where the pixels give a coarse estimate of the actual sun area.

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:**-basename <TEXT>**

LightResult object is written to basename.npz.

Default

img_metrics

-imgs <FILES>

hdr image files, must be angular fisheye projection, if no view in header, assumes 180 degree

-metrics <TEXTS>

metrics to compute, choices: ["illum", "avglum", "gcr", "ugp", "dgp", "tasklum", "backlum", "dgp_t1", "log_gc", "dgp_t2", "ugr", "threshold", "pws12", "view_area", "backlum_true", "srcillum", "srcarea", "maxlum", "gss"]

Default

illum dgp ugp

-peakA <FLOAT>

expected peak area over which peak energy is distributed

Default

6.7967e-05

-peakR <FLOAT>

for peaks that do not meet expected area (such as partial suns, to determine the ratio of what counts as part of the source (max/peakR)

Default

4.0

-peakt <FLOAT>

include down to this threshold in possible peak, note that once expected peak energy is satisfied remaining pixels are maintained, so it is safe-ish to keep this value low

Default

100000.0

-scale <FLOAT>

scale factor applied to pixel values to convert to cd/m^2

Default

179.0

-threshold <FLOAT>

same as the evalglare -b option. if factor is larger than 100, it is used as constant threshold in cd/m^2, else this factor is multiplied by the average task luminance. task position is center of image with a 30 degree field of view

Default

2000.0

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--npz, --no-npz

write LightResult object to .npz, use ‘raytraverse pull’ or LightResult(‘basename.npz’) to access results

Default

True

--parallel, --no-parallel

use available cores

Default

True

--peakn, --no-peakn

correct aliasing and/or filtering artifacts for direct sun by assigning up to expected energy to peakarea

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--blursun, --no-blursun

applies human PSF to peak glare source (only if peekn=True)

Default

False

--lowlight, --no-lowlight

use lowlight correction for dgp

Default

False

HELP:**-opts, --opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.2.3 project

```
raytu project [OPTIONS]
```

project images between angular and shirley-chiu square coordinates

Options**VALUE OPTIONS:****-img <FILES>**

hdr image files, uv or angular

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):**--useview, --no-useview**

use view direction for transform ang2uv to match standardprojection

Default

True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):**--uv2ang, --ang2uv**

direction of transform

Default

False

HELP:

-opts, --opts

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.2.4 lp2img

```
raytu lp2img [OPTIONS]
```

make hdr directview of lightpoint

Options

REQUIRED:

-lp <FILES>

Required path to lightpoint(s)

VALUE OPTIONS:

-interp <CHOICE>

Options

fast | high || None | False

-res <INTEGER>

Default

800

-scalefactor <FLOAT>

Default

1.0

-srcidx <INTEGER>

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--fisheye, --no-fisheye
 Default
 True
--showweight, --no-showweight
 Default
 True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--omega, --no-omega
 Default
 False
--order, --no-order
 Default
 False
--rnd, --no-rnd
 Default
 False
--showsamp, --no-showsample
 Default
 False

HELP:

-opts, --opts
 check parsed options
 Default
 False
--debug
 show traceback on exceptions
 Default
 False
--version
 Show the version and exit.
 Default
 False

3.2.5 pull

```
raytu pull [OPTIONS]
```

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-col <TEXTS>

axis to preserve and order for flattening, if not all axes are specified default order is (sky, point, view, metric) the first value is the column preserved, the second (with -ofiles) is the file to write, and the rest determine the order for ravelling into rows.

Default

metric

-imgfilter <INTS>

image indices to return (ignored for lightfield result)

-imgzone <TEXT>

for making images from ZonalLightResult, path to areato sample over.

-lr <FILE>

.npz LightResult, overrides lightresult from chained commands (evaluate/imgmetric). required if not chained with evaluate or imgmetric.

-metricfilter <TEXTS>

metrics to return (non-existant are ignored)

-ofiles <TEXT>

if given output serialized files along first axis (given by order) with naming [ofiles]_XXXX.txt

-ptfilter <INTS>

point indices to return (ignored for imgmetric result)

-res <INTEGER>

image resolution for plan based image pulls.

Default

480

-skyfill <FILE>

path to skydata file. assumes rows are timesteps. skyfilter should be None and other beside col should reduce to 1 or ofiles is given and sky is not first in order and all but first reduces to 1. LightResult should be a full evaluation (not masked)

-skyfilter <INTS>

sky indices to return (ignored for imgmetric result)

-spd <INTEGER>

steps per day. for use with -gridhdr col != sky matches data underlying -skyfill

Default

24

-viewfilter <INTS>

view direction indices to return (ignored for imgmetric result)

FLAGS (DEFAULT TRUE):

--header, --no-header
 print col labels
Default
 True

--rowlabel, --no-rowlabel
 label row
Default
 True

FLAGS (DEFAULT FALSE):

--gridhdr, --no-gridhdr
 use with ‘ofiles’, order ‘X point/sky Y’ and make sure Y only has one value (with appropriate filter)
Default
 False

--info, --no-info
 skip execution and return shape and axis info about LightResult
Default
 False

HELP:

-opts, --opts
 check parsed options
Default
 False

--debug
 show traceback on exceptions
Default
 False

--version
 Show the version and exit.
Default
 False

3.2.6 merge

```
raytu merge [OPTIONS]
```

Options

REQUIRED:

-lr <FILES>

Required lightresults to merge, must match along all axes except ‘axis

VALUE OPTIONS:

-axis <TEXT>

axis along which to merge. in case of duplicate values, output uses first occurrence from order of -lr, otherwise axes order is not changed

Default

sky

-out <TEXT>

output file to write, will change/append .npz extension

Default

merged

HELP:

-opts, **--opts**

check parsed options

Default

False

--debug

show traceback on exceptions

Default

False

--version

Show the version and exit.

Default

False

3.2.7 padsky

```
raytu padsky [OPTIONS]
```

pad filtered result data according to sky filtering

Options

VALUE OPTIONS:

-cols <INTS>
cols of data to return (default all)

-data <TEXT>
data to pad

-loc <FLOATS>
location data given as ‘lat lon mer’ with + west of prime meridian overrides location data in wea

-minalt <FLOAT>
minimum solar altitude for daylight masking
Default
2.0

-mindiff <FLOAT>
minimum diffuse horizontal irradiance for daylight masking
Default
5.0

-mindir <FLOAT>
minimum direct normal irradiance for daylight masking
Default
0.0

-wea <TEXT>
path to epw, wea, .npy file or np.array, or .npz file, if loc not set attempts to extract location data (if needed).

HELP:

-opts, --opts
check parsed options
Default
False

--debug
show traceback on exceptions
Default
False

--version
Show the version and exit.
Default
False

3.3 raytraverse.scene

3.3.1 BaseScene

```
class raytraverse.scene.BaseScene(outdir, scene=None, frozen=True, formatter=<class  
    'raytraverse.formatter.formatter.Formatter'>, reload=True,  
    overwrite=False, log=True, loglevel=10, utc=False)
```

Bases: object

container for scene description

Parameters

- **outdir** (*str*) – path to store scene info and output files
- **scene** (*str, optional (required if not reload)*) – space separated list of radiance scene files (no sky) or octree
- **frozen** (*bool, optional*) – create a frozen octree
- **formatter** (*raytraverse.formatter.Formatter, optional*) – intended renderer format
- **reload** (*bool, optional*) – if True attempts to load existing scene files in new instance overrides ‘overwrite’
- **overwrite** (*bool, optional*) – if True and outdir exists, will overwrite, else raises a FileExistsError
- **log** (*bool, optional*) – log progress events to outdir/log.txt
- **loglevel** (*int, optional*) – maximum sampler level to log

property **scene**

render scene files (octree)

Getter

Returns this samplers’s scene file path

Setter

Sets this samplers’s scene file path and creates run files

Type

str

reflection_search_scene()

```
log(instance, message, err=False, level=0)
```

print a message to the log file or stderr

Parameters

- **instance** (*Any*) – the parent class for the progress bar
- **message** (*str, optional*) – the message contents
- **err** (*bool, optional*) – print to stderr instead of self._logf
- **level** (*int, optional*) – the nested level of the message

```
progress_bar(instance, iterable=None, message=None, total=None, level=0, workers=False)
```

generate a tqdm progress bar and concurrent.futures Executor class

Parameters

- **instance** (*Any*) – the parent class for the progress bar
- **iterable** (*Sequence, optional*) – passed to tqdm, the sequence to loop over

- **message** (*str, optional*) – the prefix message for the progress bar
- **total** (*int, optional*) – the number of expected iterations (when iterable is none)
- **level** (*int, optional*) – the nested level of the progress bar
- **workers** (*Union[bool, str], optional*) – if “thread/thread/t” returns a Thread-PoolExecutor, else if True returns a ProcessPoolExecutor.

Returns

a subclass of tqdm that decorates messages and has a pool property for multiprocessing.

Return type

TStqdm

Examples

with an iterable:

```
for i in self.scene.progress_bar(self, np.arange(10)):
    do stuff...
```

with workers=True:

```
with self.scene.progress_bar(self, total=len(jobs) workers=True) as pbar:
    exc = pbar.pool do stuff... pbar.update(1)
```

3.3.2 Scene

```
class raytraverse.scene.Scene(outdir, scene=None, frozen=True, formatter=<class
                               'raytraverse.formatter.radianceformatter.RadianceFormatter'>,
                               **kwargs)
```

Bases: *BaseScene*

container for radiance scene description

WARNING!! if scene parameter contains and instance primitive, sunsampler will throw a segmentation fault when it tries to change the source. As scene instantiation will make a frozen octree, it is better to feed complete scene description files, or an octree.

Parameters

- **outdir** (*str*) – path to store scene info and output files
- **formatter** (*raytraverse.formatter.RadianceFormatter, optional*) – intended renderer format

reflection_search_scene()

reflection_search(*vecs, res=5*)

source_scene(*srcfile, srcname*)

3.3.3 ImageScene

```
class raytraverse.scene.ImageScene(outdir, scene=None, reload=True, log=False)
```

Bases: [BaseScene](#)

scene for image sampling

Parameters

- **outdir** (*str*) – path to store scene info and output files
- **scene** (*str, optional*) – image file (hdr format -vta projection)

3.4 raytraverse.mapper

3.4.1 Mapper

```
class raytraverse.mapper.Mapper(dxyz=(0.0, 0.0, 1.0), sf=(1, 1), bbox=((0, 0), (1, 1)), aspect=None, name='mapper', origin=(0, 0, 0), jitterrate=1.0)
```

Bases: [object](#)

translate between world and normalized UV space. do not use directly, instead use an inheriting class.

Parameters

- **sf** (*tuple np.array, optional*) – scale factor for each axis (array of length(2))
- **bbox** (*tuple np.array, optional*) – bounding box for mapper shape (2, 2)
- **name** (*str, optional*) – used for output file naming

property aspect

property dxyz

(float, float, float) central view direction

property bbox

bounding box of view

Type

np.array of shape (2,2)

view2world(xyz)

rotate vectors from view direction to world Z

world2view(xyz)

rotate vectors from world Z to view direction

xyz2uv(xyz)

transform from world xyz space to mapper UV space

uv2xyz(uv, stackorigin=False)

transform from mapper UV space to world xyz

idx2uv(idx, shape, jitter=True)

Parameters

- **idx** (*flattened index*) –
- **shape** – the shape to unravel into
- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – randomly offset coordinates within grid

Returns

uv – uv coordinates

Return type

np.array

static uv2idx(*uv, shape*)

xyz2vxy(*xyz*)

transform from world xyz to view image space (2d)

vxy2xyz(*xy, stackorigin=False*)

transform from view image space (2d) to world xyz

framesize(*res*)

pixels(*res, jitter=0.0*)

generate pixel coordinates for image space

pixelrays(*res, jitter=0.0*)

world xyz coordinates for pixels in view image space

ray2pixel(*xyz, res, integer=True*)

world xyz to pixel coordinate

pixel2ray(*pxy, res*)

pixel coordinate to world xyz vector

pixel2omega(*pxy, res*)

pixel area

in_view(*vec, indices=True*)

generate mask for vec that are in the field of view

header(***kwargs*)

init_img(*res=512, jitter=0.0, **kwargs*)

Initialize an image array with vectors and mask

Parameters

- **res** (*int, optional*) – image array resolution
- **jitter** (*float, optional*) – pixel jitter rate
- **kwargs** – passed to self.header

Returns

- **img** (*np.array*) – zero array of shape (res, res)
- **vecs** (*np.array*) – direction vectors corresponding to each pixel (img.size, 3)
- **mask** (*np.array*) – indices of flattened img that are in view
- **mask2** (*np.array None*) –

if ViewMapper has inverse, mask for opposite view, usage:

```
add_to_img(img, vecs[mask], mask)
add_to_img(img[res:], vecs[res:][mask2], mask2)
```

- **header** (*str*)

add_vecs_to_img(*img, v, channels=(1, 0, 0), grow=0, **kwargs*)

plot(*xyz, outf, res=1000, grow=1, **kwargs*)

3.4.2 AngularMixin

```
class raytraverse.mapper.angular mixin. AngularMixin
```

Bases: object

includes overrides of transformation functions for angular type mapper classes. Inherit before raytraverse.mapper.Mapper eg:

```
NewMapper(AngularMixin, Mapper)
```

initialization of NewMapper must include declarations of:

```
self._viewangle = viewangle
self._chordfactor = chordfactor
self._ivm = ivm
```

xyz2uv(xyz)

transform from world xyz space to mapper UV space

uv2xyz(uv, stackorigin=False)

transform from mapper UV space to world xyz

xyz2vxy(xyz)

transform from world xyz to view image space (2d)

vxy2xyz(xy, stackorigin=False)

transform from view image space (2d) to world xyz

static framesize(res)

pixelrays(res)

world xyz coordinates for pixels in view image space

pixel2omega(pxy, res)

pixel solid angle

in_view(vec, indices=True, tol=0.0)

generate mask for vec that are in the field of view (up to 180 degrees) if view aspect is 2, only tests against primary view direction

header(pt=(0, 0, 0), **kwargs)

init_img(res=512, pt=(0, 0, 0), features=1, **kwargs)

Initialize an image array with vectors and mask

Parameters

- **res** (*int, optional*) – image array resolution
- **pt** (*tuple, optional*) – view point for image header

Returns

- **img** (*np.array*) – zero array of shape (res**self.aspect*, res)
- **vecs** (*np.array*) – direction vectors corresponding to each pixel (img.size, 3)
- **mask** (*np.array*) – indices of flattened img that are in view
- **mask2** (*np.array None*) – if features > 1, use mask 2 fro color images
- **header** (*str*)

add_vecs_to_img(img, v, channels=(1, 0, 0), grow=0, fisheye=True, mask=None)

```

property viewangle
    view angle

property ivm
    viewmapper for opposite view direction (in case of 360 degree view)

ctheta(vec)
    cos(theta) (dot product) between view direction and vec

radians(vec)
    angle in radians between view direction and vec

degrees(vec)
    angle in degrees between view direction and vec

```

3.4.3 ViewMapper

```
class raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper(dxz=(0.0, 1.0, 0.0), viewangle=360.0, name='view', origin=(0, 0, 0), jitterrate=0.5)
```

Bases: *AngularMixin, Mapper*

translate between world direction vectors and normalized UV space for a given view angle. pixel projection yields equiangular projection

Parameters

- **dxz** (*tuple, optional*) – central view direction
- **viewangle** (*float, optional*) – if < 180, the horizontal and vertical view angle, if greater, view becomes 360,180

property aspect

property dxz

(float, float, float) central view direction

idx2uv(idx, shape, jitter=True)

Parameters

- **idx** (*flattened index*) –
- **shape** – the shape to unravel into
- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – randomly offset coordinates within grid

Returns

uv – uv coordinates

Return type

np.array

3.4.4 SkyMapper

```
class raytraverse.mapper.SkyMapper(loc=None, skyro=0.0, sunres=9, name='suns', jitterrate=0.5)
```

Bases: *AngularMixin, Mapper*

translate between world direction vectors and normalized UV space for a given view angle. pixel projection yields equiangular projection

Parameters

- **loc** (*any, optional*) – can be a number of formats:

1. either a numeric iterable of length 3 (lat, lon, mer) where lat is +west and mer is tz*15 (matching gendaylit).
2. an array (or tsv file loadable with np.loadtxt) of shape (N,3), (N,4), or (N,5):
 - a. 2 elements: alt, azm (angles in degrees)
 - b. 3 elements: dx,dy,dz of sun positions
 - c. 4 elements: alt, azm, dirnorm, diffhoriz (angles in degrees)
 - d. 5 elements: dx, dy, dz, dirnorm, diffhoriz.
3. path to an epw or wea formatted file
4. None (default) all possible sun positions are considered self.in_solarbounds always returns True

in the case of a geo location, sun positions are considered valid when in the solar transit for that location. for candidate options, sun positions are drawn from this set (with one randomly chosen from all candidates within bin.

- **skyro** (*float, optional*) – counterclockwise sky-rotation in degrees (equivalent to clockwise project north rotation)
- **sunres** (*float, optional*) – initial sampling resolution for suns
- **name** (*str, optional*) –

property `skyro`

property `loc`

property `solarbounds`

property `candidates`

in_solarbounds(*xyz, level=0, include='any'*)

for checking if src direction is in solar transit

Parameters

- **xyz** (*np.array*) – source directions
- **level** (*int*) – for determining patch size, 2**level resolution from sunres
- **include** (*{'center', 'all', 'any'}*, *optional*) – boundary test condition. ‘center’ tests uv only, ‘all’ requires for corners of box centered at uv to be in, ‘any’ requires atleast one corner. ‘any’ is the least restrictive and ‘all’ is the most, but with increasing levels ‘any’ will exclude more positions while ‘all’ will exclude less (both approaching ‘center’ as level -> N)

Returns

result – Truth of ray.src within solar transit

Return type

`np.array`

shape(*level=0*)

solar_grid(*jitter=True, level=0, masked=True*)

generate a grid of solar positions

Parameters

- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – if None, use the instance default, if True jitters point samples within stratified grid
- **level** (*int, optional*) – sets the resolution of the grid as a power of 2 from sunres

- **masked** (*bool, optional*) – apply in_solarbounds to suns before returning

Returns

shape (N, 3)

Return type

np.array

3.4.5 PlanMapper

```
class raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper(area, ptres=1.0, rotation=0.0, zheight=None, name='plan', jitterrate=0.5, autorotate=False, autogrid=None)
```

Bases: *Mapper*

translate between world positions on a horizontal plane and normalized UV space for a given view angle.
pixel projection yields a parallel plan projection

Parameters

- **area** (*str np.array, optional*) – radiance scene geometry defining a plane to sample, tsv file of points to generate bounding box, or np.array of points.
- **ptres** (*float, optional*) – resolution for considering points duplicates, border generation (1/2) and add_grid(). updateable
- **rotation** (*float, optional*) – positive Z rotation for point grid alignment
- **zheight** (*float, optional*) – override calculated zheight
- **name** (*str, optional*) – plan mapper name used for output file naming
- **jitterrate** (*float, optional*) – proportion of cell to jitter within
- **autorotate** (*bool, optional*) – if true set rotation based on long axis of area geometry
- **autogrid** (*int, optional*) – if given, autoset ptres based on this minimum number of points at level 0 along the minimum dimemsion (width or height)

ptres

point resolution for area look ups and grid

Type

float

property dxyz

(float, float, float) central view point

property rotation

ccw rotation (in degrees) for point grid on plane

Type

float

property bbox

boundary frame for translating between coordinates [[xmin ymin zmin] [xmax ymax zmax]]

Type

np.array

update_bbox(*plane, level=0, updatez=True*)

handle bounding box generation from plane or points

uv2xyz(*uv, stackorigin=False*)

transform from mapper UV space to world xyz

in_view_uv(*uv, indices=True, **kwargs*)

in_view(*vec, indices=True*)

check if point is in boundary path

Parameters

- **vec** (*np.array*) – xyz coordinates, shape (N, 3)
- **indices** (*bool, optional*) – return indices of True items rather than boolean array

Returns

mask – boolean array, shape (N,)

Return type

np.array

header(***kwargs*)

borders()

world coordinate vertices of planmapper boundaries

property boundary

bbox_vertices(*offset=0, close=False*)

shape(*level=0*)

point_grid(*jitter=True, level=0, masked=True, snap=None*)

generate a grid of points

Parameters

- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – if None, use the instance default, if True jitters point samples within stratified grid
- **level** (*int, optional*) – sets the resolution of the grid as a power of 2 from ptres
- **masked** (*bool, optional*) – apply in_view to points before returning
- **snap** (*int, optional*) – level to snap samples to when jitter=False should be > level

Returns

shape (N, 3)

Return type

np.array

point_grid_uv(*jitter=True, level=0, masked=True, snap=None*)

add a grid of UV coordinates

Parameters

- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – if None, use the instance default, if True jitters point samples within stratified grid
- **level** (*int, optional*) – sets the resolution of the grid as a power of 2 from ptres
- **masked** (*bool, optional*) – apply in_view to points before returning
- **snap** (*int, optional*) – level to snap samples to when jitter=False should be > level

Returns

shape (N, 2)

Return type

np.array

3.4.6 MaskedPlanMapper

```
class raytraverse.mapper.MaskedPlanMapper(pm, valid, level)
```

Bases: *PlanMapper*

translate between world positions on a horizontal plane and normalized UV space for a given view angle.
pixel projection yields a parallel plan projection

Parameters

- **pm** (`raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper`) – the source mapper to copy
- **valid** (`np.array`) – a list of valid points used to make a mask, grid cells not represented by one of valid will be masked
- **level** (`int, optional`) – the level at which to grid the valid candidates

```
update_mask(valid, level)
```

```
in_view_uv(uv, indices=True, usemask=True)
```

3.5 raytraverse.formatter

3.5.1 Formatter

```
class raytraverse.formatter.Formatter
```

Bases: `object`

scene formatter readies scene files for simulation, must be compatible with desired renderer.

```
comment = '#'
```

line comment character

```
scene_ext = ''
```

extension for renderer scene file

```
static make_scene(scene_files, out, frozen=True)
```

compile scene

```
static get_scene(scene)
```

```
static get_skydef(color=None, ground=True, name='skylight')
```

assemble sky definition

```
static get_sundef(vec, color, **kwargs)
```

assemble sun definition

3.5.2 RadianceFormatter

```
class raytraverse.formatter.RadianceFormatter
```

Bases: *Formatter*

scene formatter readies scene files for simulation, must be compatible with desired renderer.

```
comment = '#'
```

line comment character

```
scene_ext = '.oct'
```

extension for renderer scene file

```
static make_scene(scene_files, out, frozen=True)
    compile scene
static get_scene(scene)
    recover scene file paths from compiled octree

Parameters
    scene (octree file) –
Returns
    • files (string to use in new octree generation. -i prepended before)
    • each actree
    • frozen (if result will be a frozen octree)

static get_skydef(color=(0.96, 1.004, 1.118), ground=True, name='skyglow', mod='void',
                  groundname=None, groundcolor=(1, 1, 1))
    assemble sky definition
static get_sundef(vec, color, size=0.5333, mat_name='solar', mat_id='sun')
    assemble sun definition
```

3.6 raytraverse.renderer

3.6.1 ImageRenderer

```
class raytraverse.renderer.ImageRenderer(scene, viewmapper=None, method='linear', color=False)
Bases: object
interface to treat image data as the source for ray tracing results
not implemented as a singleton, so multiple instances can exist in parallel.

Parameters
    • scene (str) – path to hdr image file with projecting matching ViewMapper
    • viewmapper (raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, optional) – if None, assumes
        180 degree angular fisheye (vta)
    • method (str, optional) – passed to scipy.interpolate.RegularGridInterpolator

run(*args, **kwargs)
alias for call, for consistency with SamplerPt classes for nested dimensions of evaluation
```

3.6.2 SpRenderer

```
class raytraverse.renderer.SpRenderer(rayargs=None, scene=None, nproc=None, default_args=True)
Bases: object
sub-process renderer for calling external executables
args = None
scene = None
name = 'rtrace'
defaultargs = ''
```

```
nproc = None
run(*args, **kwargs)
    alias for call, for consistency with SamplerPt classes for nested dimensions of evaluation
classmethod get_default_args()
classmethod reset()
    reset engine instance and unset associated attributees
classmethod set_args(args, nproc=None)
    prepare arguments to call engine instance initialization

    Parameters
    • args (str) – rendering options
    • nproc (int, optional) – cpu limit

classmethod load_scene(scene)
    load octree file to engine instance

    Parameters
    scene (str) – path to octree file

    Raises
    ValueError: – can only be called after set_args, otherwise engine instance will abort.
```

3.7 raytraverse.sky

3.7.1 skycalc

functions for loading sky data and computing sun position

```
raytraverse.sky.skycalc.read_epw(epw)
    read daylight sky data from epw or wea file

    Returns
    out – (month, day, hour, dirnorn, difhoriz)

    Return type
    np.array

raytraverse.sky.skycalc.read_epw_full(epw, columns=None)
```

Parameters

- **epw** –
- **columns (list, optional)** – integer indices or keys of columns to return

Return type
requested columns from epw as np.array shape (8760, N)

```
raytraverse.sky.skycalc.get_loc_epw(epw, name=False)
    get location from epw or wea header

raytraverse.sky.skycalc.sunpos_utc(timesteps, lat, lon, builtin=True)
    Calculate sun position with local time

    Calculate sun position (altitude, azimuth) for a particular location (longitude, latitude) for a specific date and time (time is in UTC)

    Parameters
```

- **timesteps** (`np.array(datetime.datetime)`) –
- **lon** (`float`) – longitude in decimals. West is +ve
- **lat** (`float`) – latitude in decimals. North is +ve
- **builtin** (`bool`) – use skyfield builtin timescale

Returns

- (`skyfield.units.Angle`, `skyfield.units.Angle`)
- *altitude and azimuth in degrees*

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.row_2_datetime64(ts, year=2020)`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.datetime64_2_datetime(timesteps, mer=0.0)`

convert datetime representation and offset for timezone

Parameters

- **timesteps** (`np.array(np.datetime64)`) –
- **mer** (`float`) – Meridian of the time zone. West is +ve

Return type

`np.array(datetime.datetime)`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.sunpos_degrees(timesteps, lat, lon, mer, builtin=True, ro=0.0)`

Calculate sun position with local time

Calculate sun position (altitude, azimuth) for a particular location (longitude, latitude) for a specific date and time (time is in local time)

Parameters

- **timesteps** (`np.array(np.datetime64)`) –
- **lon** (`float`) – longitude in decimals. West is +ve
- **lat** (`float`) – latitude in decimals. North is +ve
- **mer** (`float`) – Meridian of the time zone. West is +ve
- **builtin** (`bool, optional`) – use skyfield builtin timescale
- **ro** (`float, optional`) – ccw rotation (project to true north) in degrees

Returns

Sun position as (altitude, azimuth) in degrees

Return type

`np.array([float, float])`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.sunpos_radians(timesteps, lat, lon, mer, builtin=True, ro=0.0)`

Calculate sun position with local time

Calculate sun position (altitude, azimuth) for a particular location (longitude, latitude) for a specific date and time (time is in local time)

Parameters

- **timesteps** (`np.array(np.datetime64)`) –
- **lon** (`float`) – longitude in decimals. West is +ve
- **lat** (`float`) – latitude in decimals. North is +ve
- **mer** (`float`) – Meridian of the time zone. West is +ve
- **builtin** (`bool`) – use skyfield builtin timescale
- **ro** (`float, optional`) – ccw rotation (project to true north) in radians

Returns

Sun position as (altitude, azimuth) in radians

Return type

`np.array([float, float])`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.sunpos_xyz(timesteps, lat, lon, mer, builtin=True, ro=0.0)`

Calculate sun position with local time

Calculate sun position (altitude, azimuth) for a particular location (longitude, latitude) for a specific date and time (time is in local time)

Parameters

- **timesteps** (`np.array(np.datetime64)`) –
- **lon** (`float`) – longitude in decimals. West is +ve
- **lat** (`float`) – latitude in decimals. North is +ve
- **mer** (`float`) – Meridian of the time zone. West is +ve
- **builtin** (`bool`) – use skyfield builtin timescale
- **ro** (`float, optional`) – ccw rotation (project to true north) in degrees

Returns

Sun position as (x, y, z)

Return type

`np.array`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.generate_wea(ts, wea, interp='linear')`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.coeff_lum_perez(sunz, epsilon, delta, catn)`

matches coeff_lum_perez in gendaylit.c

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.perez_apply_coef(coefs, cgamma, dz)`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.perez_lum_raw(tp, dz, sunz, coefs)`

matches calc_rel_lum_perez in gendaylit.c

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.perez_lum(xyz, coefs, intersky=True)`

matches perezlum.cal

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.scale_efficiency(dirdif, sunz, csunz, skybright, catn, td=10.9735311509)`

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.perez(sxyz, dirdif, md=None, ground_fac=0.2, td=10.9735311509)`

compute perez coefficients

Notes

to match the results of gendaylit, for a given sun angle without associated date, the assumed eccentricity is 1.035020

Parameters

- **sxyz** (`np.array`) – (N, 3) dx, dy, dz sun position
- **dirdif** (`np.array`) – (N, 2) direct normal, diffuse horizontal W/m²
- **md** (`np.array, optional`) – (N, 2) month day of sky calcs (for more precise eccentricity calc)
- **ground_fac** (`float`) – scaling factor (reflectance) for ground brightness
- **td** (`np.array float, optional`) – (N,) dew point temperature in C

Returns

perez – (N, 10) diffuse normalization, ground brightness, perez coeffs, x, y, z

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.sky_mtx(sxyz, dirdif, side, jn=4, intersky=True, **kwargs)`

generate sky, ground and sun values from sun position and sky values

Parameters

- **sxyz** (`np.array`) – sun directions (N, 3)
- **dirdif** (`np.array`) – direct normal and diffuse horizontal radiation (W/m²) (N, 2)
- **side** (`int`) – sky subdivision
- **jn** (`int, optional`) – sky patch subdivision n = jn²
- **intersky** (`bool, optional`) – include interreflection between ground and sky (mimics perezlum.cal, not present in gendaymtx)
- **kwargs** (`dict, optional`) – passed to perez()

Returns

- **skymtx** (`np.array`) – (N, side*side)
- **grndval** (`np.array`) – (N,)
- **sunval** (`np.array`) – (N, 4) - sun direction and radiance

`raytraverse.sky.skycalc.radiance_skydef(sunpos, dirdif, loc=None, md=None, ground_fac=0.2, td=10.9735311509, ro=0.0)`

similar to gendaylit, returns strings

Parameters

- **sunpos** (`Sequence`) – dx, dy, dz sun position or m,d,h (if loc is not None)
- **dirdif** (`Sequence`) – direct normal, diffuse horizontal W/m²
- **loc** (`tuple, optional`) – location data given as lat, lon, mer with + west of prime meridian triggers sunpos treated as timestep
- **md** (`tuple, optional`) – month day of sky calcs (for more precise eccentricity calc with xyz sunpos)
- **ground_fac** (`float`) – scaling factor (reflectance) for ground brightness
- **td** (`np.array float, optional`) – (N,) dew point temperature in C
- **ro** (`float, optional`) – ignored if sunpos is xyz, else angle in degrees counter-clockwise to rotate sky (to correct model north, equivalent to clockwise rotation of scene)

Returns

- **desc** (`str`) – comments with sky info
- **sund** (`str`) – solar material and sun object ("") if no sun)
- **skyd** (`str`) – perezlum brightfunc definition and sky/ground objects

3.7.2 SkyData

```
class raytraverse.sky.SkyData(wea=None, skyro=0.0, ground_fac=0.2, intersky=True, skyres=15,  
    minalt=2.0, mindiff=5.0, mindir=0.0, ground=True, srcname=‘sky’)
```

Bases: object

class to generate sky conditions

This class provides an interface to generate sky data using the perez sky model

Parameters

- **wea** (*str np.array*) – path to epw, wea, .npy file or np.array, or .npz file, if loc not set attempts to extract location data (if needed).
- **loc** (*tuple, optional*) – location data given as lat, lon, mer with + west of prime meridian overrides location data in wea (but not in sunfield)
- **skyro** (*float, optional*) – angle in degrees counter-clockwise to rotate sky (to correct model north, equivalent to clockwise rotation of scene)
- **ground_fac** (*float, optional*) – ground reflectance
- **intersky** (*bool, optional*) – include interreflection between ground and sky (mimics perezlum.cal, not present in gendaymtx)
- **skyres** (*int, optional*) – resolution of sky patches ($\sqrt{\text{patches} / \text{hemisphere}}$)
- **minalt** (*float, optional*) – minimum solar altitude for daylight masking
- **mindiff** (*float, optional*) – minimum diffuse horizontal irradiance for daylight masking

skyres

sky patch resolution

property skyro

sky rotation (in degrees, ccw)

property loc

lat, lon, mer (in degrees, west is positive)

skydata_dew()

property rowlabel

m,d,h (if known)

property skydata

sun position and dirnorm diffhoriz

```
write(name=‘skydata’, scene=None, compressed=True)
```

format_skydata(*dat*)

process dat argument as skydata

see sky.setter for details on argument

Returns

dx, dy, dz, dir, diff

Return type

np.array

property daysteps

property daymask

shape (len(skydata),) boolean array masking timesteps when sun is below horizon

property fullmask

property maskindices

property mask

an additional mask for smtx data

property smtx

shape (np.sum(daymask), skyres**2 + 1) coefficients for each sky patch each row is a timestep, coefficients exclude sun

property sun

shape (np.sum(daymask), 5) sun position (index 0,1,2) and coefficients for sun at each timestep assuming the true solid angle of the sun (index 3) and the weighted value for the sky patch (index 4).

property sunproxy

corresponding sky bin for each sun position in daymask

smtx_patch_sun(*includesky=True*)

generate smtx with solar energy applied to proxy patch for directly applying to skysampler data (without direct sun components) can also be used in a partial mode (with sun view / without sun reflection.)

header()

generate image header string

fill_data(*x, fill_value=0.0, rowlabels=False*)

Parameters

- **x** (*np.array*) – first axis size = len(self.daymask[self.mask])
- **fill_value** (*Union[int, float]*, *optional*) – value in padded array
- **rowlabels** (*bool*, *optional*) – include rowlabels

Returns

data in x padded with fill value to original shape of skydata

Return type

np.array

label(*x*)

masked_idx(*i*)

radiance_sky_matrix(*outf, fmt='float', sun=True, sky=True, ncomps=3*)

sky_description(*i, prefix='skydata', grid=False, sun=True, ground=True, sunpatch=False*)

generate radiance scene files to directly render sky data at index i

Parameters

- **i** (*int*) – index of sky vector to generate (indexed from skydata, not daymask)
- **prefix** (*str*, *optional*) – name/path for output files
- **grid** (*bool*, *optional*) – render sky patches with grid lines
- **sun** (*bool*, *optional*) – include sun source in rad file
- **ground** (*bool*, *optional*) – include ground source
- **sunpatch** (*bool*, *optional*) – include sun energy in sun_patch (sun should be false)

Returns

basename of 3 files written: prefix_i (.rad, .cal, and .dat) .cal and .dat must be located in RAYPATH (which can include .) or else edit the .rad file to explicitly point to their locations. note that if grid is True, the sky will not be accurate, so only use this for illustrative purposes.

Return type

str

Raises**IndexError** – if i is not in masked indices

3.7.3 SkyDataMask

class raytraverse.sky.SkyDataMask(hours)Bases: *SkyData*

spoofed skydata class for use with light results

Parameters

- **hours** (*np.array*) – hours of year given as (m, d, h) where hour is H.5 (assumes 8760) to use as daymask.

property skydata

sun position and dirnorm diffhoriz

3.8 raytraverse.sampler

3.8.1 draw

wavelet and associated probability functions.

raytraverse.sampler.draw.get_detail(data, *args, mode='reflect', cval=0.0)

convolve a set of kernels with data. computes the sum of the absolute values of each convolution.

Parameters

- **data** (*np.array*) – source data (atleast 2D), detail calculated over last 2D
- **args** (*np.array*) – filters
- **mode** (*str*) – signal extension mode (passed to `scipy.ndimage.convolve`)
- **cval** (*float*) – constant value (passed to `scipy.ndimage.convolve`, used when mode='constant')

Returns**detail_array** – 1d array of detail coefficients (row major order) matching size of data**Return type***np.array***raytraverse.sampler.draw.from_pdf(pdf, threshold, lb=0.5, ub=4, minsamp=0)**

generate choices from a numeric probability distribution

Parameters

- **pdf** (*np.array*) – 1-d array of weights
- **threshold** (*float*) – the threshold used to determine the number of choices to draw given by pdf > threshold
- **lb** (*float, optional*) – values below threshold * lb will be excluded from candidates (lb must be in (0,1))
- **ub** (*float, optional*) – the maximum weight is set to ub*threshold, meaning all values in pdf \geq to ub*threshold have an equal chance of being selected. in cases where extreme values are much higher than moderate values, but 100% sampling of extreme areas should be avoided, this value should be lower, such as when a region is sampled at

a very high resolution (as is the case with directional sampling). On the other hand, set this value higher for sampling schemes with a low final resolution (like area sampling). If `ub` <= 1, then a deterministic choice is made, returning the idx of all values in `pdf` > threshold.

Returns

`idx` – an index array of choices, size varies.

Return type

`np.array`

3.8.2 BaseSampler

```
class raytraverse.sampler.BaseSampler(scene, engine, accuracy=1.0, stype='generic', samplerlevel=0,
                                      featurefunc=<function amax>, features=1,
                                      weightfunc=<function amax>, t0=0.00390625, t1=0.0625)
```

Bases: `object`

wavelet based sampling class this is a virtual class that holds the shared sampling methods across directional, area, and sunposition samplers. subclasses are named as: {Source}Sampler{SamplingRange}, for instance:

- **SamplerPt: virtual base class for sampling directions from a point**
 - `SkySamplerPt`: sampling directions from a point with a sky patch source.
 - `SunSamplerPt`: sampling directions from a point with a single sun source
 - `SunSamplerPtView`: sampling the view from a point of the sun
 - `ImageSampler`: (re)sampling a fisheye image, useful for testing
- `SamplerArea`: sampling points on a horizontal planar area with any source type
- `SamplerSuns`: sampling sun positions (with nested area sampler)

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.Scene`) – scene class containing geometry and formatter compatible with engine
- **engine** – has a `run()` method
- **accuracy** (`float, optional`) – parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling, default is 1.0)
- **stype** (`str, optional`) – sampler type (prefixes output files)
- **featurefunc** (`func, optional`) – takes detail array as an argument, shape: (features,N, M) and an `axis=0` keyword argument, returns shape (N, M). could be `np.max`, `np.sum` `np.average` or us custom function following the same pattern.
- **features** (`int, optional`) – number of values evaluated for detail

lb = 0.25

lower bound for drawing from pdf passed to `raytraverse.sampler.draw.from_pdf()`

ub = 8

upper bound for drawing from pdf passed to `raytraverse.sampler.draw.from_pdf()`

scene

scene information

Type

`raytraverse.scene.Scene`

t0

initial sampling threshold coefficient this value times the accuracy parameter is passed to raytraverse.sampler.draw.from_pdf() at level 0 (usually not used)

t1

final sampling threshold coefficient this value times the accuracy parameter is passed to raytraverse.sampler.draw.from_pdf() at final level, intermediate sampling levels are thresholded by a linearly interpolated between t0 and t1

accuracy

accuracy parameter some subclassed samplers may apply a scale factor to normalize threshold values depending on source brightness (see for instance ImageSampler and SunSamplerPt)

Type

float

stype

sampler type

Type

str

weights

holds weights for self.draw

Type

np.array

featurefunc

func takes weights and axis=0 argument to reduce detail

weightfunc

func takes weights and axis=1 argument to reduce output from engine when engine produces more features than sampler needs

property levels

sampling scheme

Getter

Returns the sampling scheme

Setter

Set the sampling scheme

Type

np.array

sampling_scheme(*args)

calculate sampling scheme

run(mapper, name, levels, plotp=False, log='err', pfish=True, **kwargs)

trigger a sampling run. subclasses should return a LightPoint/LightField from the executed object state (first call this method with super().run(...))

Parameters

- **mapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.Mapper`) – mapper to sample
- **name** (`str`) – output name
- **levels** (`np.array`) – the sampling scheme
- **plotp** (`bool, optional`) – plot weights, detail and vectors for each level
- **log** (`str, optional`) – whether to log level sampling rates can be ‘scene’, ‘err’ or None ‘scene’ - logs to Scene log file ‘err’ - logs to stderr anything else - does not log incremental progress

- **pfish** (*bool, optional*) – if True and plotp, use fisheye projection for detail/weight/vector images.
- **kwargs** – unused

draw(*level*)

draw samples based on detail calculated from weights

Returns

- **pdraws** (*np.array*) – index array of flattened samples chosen to sample at next level
- **p** (*np.array*) – computed probabilities

sample_to_uv(*pdraws, shape*)

generate samples vectors from flat draw indices

Parameters

- **pdraws** (*np.array*) – flat index positions of samples to generate
- **shape** (*tuple*) – shape of level samples

Returns

- **si** (*np.array*) – index array of draws matching samps.shape
- **vecs** (*np.array*) – sample vectors

sample(*vecs*)

call rendering engine to sample rays

Parameters

vecs (*np.array*) – sample vectors (subclasses can choose which to use)

Returns

lum – array of shape (N,) to update weights

Return type

np.array

detailfunc = 'wav'

filter banks for calculating detail choices:

- ‘haar’: [[1 -1]]/2, [[1] [-1]]/2, [[1, 0] [0, -1]]/2
- ‘wav’: [[-1 2 -1]] / 2, [[-1] [2] [-1]] / 2, [[-1 0 0] [0 2 0] [0 0 -1]] / 2

3.8.3 Sensor

class raytraverse.sampler.Sensor(*engine, dirs=(0.0, 0.0, 1.0), offsets=(0.0, 0.0, 0.0), name='sensor', sunview=False*)

Bases: *object*

for use as engine in area sampler, holds collection of multiple sensor directions and offsets

Parameters

- **engine** (*raytraverse.renderer.Renderer*) – fully initialized renderer class instance
- **dirs** (*Sequence, optional*) – array like shape (N, 3) sensor directions
- **offsets** (*Sequence, optional*) – array like shape (N, 3) offsets from sample position to include (for example multiple z-heights)
- **sunview** (*bool, optional*) – NOT IMPLEMENTED if True, dirs are treated as candidate reflection normals, a value of (0, 0, 0) is prepended to hold the direct view.

property nproc

run(*args, **kwargs)

alias for call, for consistency with SamplerPt classes for nested dimensions of evaluation

stack_rays(r)

3.8.4 ISamplerArea

```
class raytraverse.sampler.ISamplerArea(scene, engine, accuracy=1.0, nlev=3, jitter=True,
                                         edgemode='constant', t0=0.1, t1=0.9, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *SamplerArea*

wavelet based area sampling class using Sensor as engine

Parameters

- **scene** ([raytraverse.scene.Scene](#)) – scene class containing geometry and formatter compatible with engine
- **engine** ([raytraverse.sampler.Sensor](#)) – renderer
- **accuracy** (*float, optional*) – parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling, default is 1.0)
- **nlev** (*int, optional*) – number of levels to sample
- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – jitter samples
- **edgemode** ({‘reflect’, ‘constant’, ‘nearest’, ‘mirror’, ‘wrap’}, *optional*) – default: ‘constant’, if ‘constant’ value is set to -self.t1, so edge is always seen as detail. Internal edges (resulting from PlanMapper borders) will behave like ‘nearest’ for all options except ‘constant’

srcn

number of sources return per vector by run

Type

int

run(mapper, plotp=False, **kwargs)

adapively sample an area defined by mapper

Parameters

- **mapper** ([raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper](#)) – the pointset to build/run
- **plotp** (*bool, optional*) – plot weights, detail and vectors for each level
- **kwargs** – passed to self.run()

Return type

[raytraverse.lightplane.SensorPlaneKD](#)

repeat(guide, stype)

repeat the sampling of a guide SensorPlane (to match all points)

Parameters

- **guide** ([LightPlaneKD](#)) –
- **stype** (*str*) – alternate stype name. raises a ValueError if it matches the guide.

Return type

[raytraverse.lightfield.SensorPlaneKD](#)

sample(*vecs*)

call rendering engine to sample rays

Parameters**vecs** (*np.array*) – sample vectors (subclasses can choose which to use)**Returns****lum** – array of shape (N,) to update weights**Return type***np.array*

3.8.5 ISamplerSuns

class raytraverse.sampler.ISamplerSuns(*scene, engine, accuracy=1.0, nlev=3, jitter=True, areakwargs=None, t0=0.05, t1=0.125*)Bases: *SamplerSuns*

wavelet based sun position sampling class

Parameters

- **scene** (*raytraverse.scene.Scene*) – scene class containing geometry and formatter compatible with engine
- **engine** (*raytraverse.sampler.Sensor*) – with initialized renderer instance (with scene loaded, no sources)
- **accuracy** (*float, optional*) – parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling, default is 1.0)
- **nlev** (*int, optional*) – number of levels to sample
- **jitter** (*bool, optional*) – jitter samples
- **ptkwargs** (*dict, optional*) – kwargs for *raytraverse.sampler.SunSamplerPt* initialization
- **areakwargs** (*dict, optional*) – kwargs for *raytraverse.sampler.SamplerArea* initialization
- **metricset** (*iterable, optional*) – subset of *samplerarea.metric* set to use for sun detail calculation.

get_existing_run(*skymapper, areamapper*)

check for file conflicts before running/overwriting parameters match call to run

Parameters

- **skymapper** (*raytraverse.mapper.SkyMapper*) – the mapping for drawing suns
- **areamapper** (*raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper*) – the mapping for drawing points

Returns**conflicts** –

a tuple of found conflicts (None for each if no conflicts):

- suns: *np.array* of sun positions in vfile
- ptfiles: existing point files

Return type*tuple*

run(*skymapper*, *areamapper*, *kwargs*)**
adaptively sample sun positions for an area (also adaptively sampled)

Parameters

- **skymapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.SkyMapper`) – the mapping for drawing suns
- **areamapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper`) – the mapping for drawing points
- **kwargs** – passed to self.run()

Return type`raytraverse.lightplane.LightPlaneKD`

3.8.6 SamplerSuns

```
class raytraverse.sampler.SamplerSuns(scene, engine, accuracy=1.0, nlev=3, jitter=True,  
          ptkargs=None, areakwargs=None, metricset=('avglum',  
          'logcr'), t0=0.05, t1=0.125)
```

Bases: `BaseSampler`

wavelet based sun position sampling class

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.Scene`) – scene class containing geometry and formatter compatible with engine
- **engine** (`raytraverse.renderer.Rtrace`) – initialized renderer instance (with scene loaded, no sources)
- **accuracy** (`float, optional`) – parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling, default is 1.0)
- **nlev** (`int, optional`) – number of levels to sample
- **jitter** (`bool, optional`) – jitter samples
- **ptkargs** (`dict, optional`) – kwargs for `raytraverse.sampler.SunSamplerPt` initialization
- **areakwargs** (`dict, optional`) – kwargs for `raytraverse.sampler.SamplerArea` initialization
- **metricset** (`iterable, optional`) – subset of `samplerarea.metric` set to use for sun detail calculation.

ub = 8

upper bound for drawing from pdf

sampling_scheme(*mapper*)

calculate sampling scheme

get_existing_run(*skymapper*, *areamapper*)

check for file conflicts before running/overwriting parameters match call to run

Parameters

- **skymapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.SkyMapper`) – the mapping for drawing suns
- **areamapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper`) – the mapping for drawing points

Returns**conflicts** –

a tuple of found conflicts (None for each if no conflicts):

- suns: np.array of sun positions in vfile
- ptfiles: existing point files

Return type

tuple

run(*skymapper*, *areamapper*, *specguide*=None, *recover*=True, ***kwargs*)

adaptively sample sun positions for an area (also adaptively sampled)

Parameters

- **skymapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.SkyMapper`) – the mapping for drawing suns
- **areamapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper`) – the mapping for drawing points
- **specguide** (`Union[raytraverse.lightfield.LightPlaneKD, Bool]`) – sky source lightfield to use as specular guide for sampling
- **recover** (*continue run on top of existing files, if false, overwrites*) – previous run.
- **kwargs** – passed to self.run()

Return type

`raytraverse.lightplane.LightPlaneKD`

draw(*level*)

draw on condition of `in_solarbounds` from skymapper. In this way all solar positions are presented to the area sampler, but the area sampler is initialized with a weighting to sample only where there is variance between sun position. this keeps the subsampling of area and solar position independent.

Returns

- **pdraws** (`np.array`) – index array of flattened samples chosen to sample at next level
- **p** (`np.array`) – computed probabilities

sample_to_uv(*pdraws*, *shape*)

generate samples vectors from flat draw indices

Parameters

- **pdraws** (`np.array`) – flat index positions of samples to generate
- **shape** (`tuple`) – shape of level samples

Returns

- **si** (`np.array`) – index array of draws matching samps.shape
- **vecs** (`np.array`) – sample vectors

sample(*vecs*)

call rendering engine to sample rays

Parameters

- **vecs** (`np.array`) – sample vectors

Returns

- **lum** – array of shape (N,) to update weights

Return type

`np.array`

`idxvecs()`

3.8.7 SamplerArea

```
class raytraverse.sampler.SamplerArea(scene, engine, accuracy=1.0, nlev=3, jitter=True,
                                       edgemode='constant', metricclass=<class
                                         'raytraverse.evaluate.samplingmetrics.SamplingMetrics'>,
                                       metricset=('avglum', 'loggcr', 'xpeak', 'ypeak'), t0=0.1, t1=0.9,
                                       **kwargs)
```

Bases: `BaseSampler`

wavelet based area sampling class

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.Scene`) – scene class containing geometry and formatter compatible with engine
- **engine** (`raytraverse.sampler.SamplerPt`) – point sampler
- **accuracy** (`float, optional`) – parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling, default is 1.0)
- **nlev** (`int, optional`) – number of levels to sample
- **jitter** (`bool, optional`) – jitter samples
- **edgemode** ({‘reflect’, ‘constant’, ‘nearest’, ‘mirror’, ‘wrap’}, `optional`) – default: ‘constant’, if ‘constant’ value is set to -self.t1, so edge is always seen as detail. Internal edges (resulting from PlanMapper borders) will behave like ‘nearest’ for all options except ‘constant’
- **metricclass** (`raytraverse.evaluate.BaseMetricSet, optional`) – the metric calculator used to compute weights
- **metricset** (`iterable, optional`) – list of metrics (must be recognized by metric-class. metrics containing “lum” will be normalized to 0-1)

ub = 100

upper bound for drawing from pdf

metricclass

`raytraverse.evaluate.BaseMetricSet`

metricset

iterable

features

int:

property edgemode

sampling_scheme(`mapper`)

calculate sampling scheme

run(`mapper, specguide=None, plotp=False, **kwargs`)

adapitively sample an area defined by mapper

Parameters

- **mapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper`) – the pointset to build/run
- **specguide** (`Union[None, bool, str]`) –
- **plotp** (`bool, optional`) – plot weights, detail and vectors for each level

- **kwargs** – passed to self.run()

Return type

raytraverse.lightplane.LightPlaneKD

repeat(*guide*, *stype*)

repeat the sampling of a guide LightPlane (to match all rays)

Parameters

- **guide** ([LightPlaneKD](#)) –
- **stype** (*str*) – alternate stype name for samplerpt. raises a ValueError if it matches the guide.

draw(*level*)

draw samples based on detail calculated from weights

Returns

- **pdraws** (*np.array*) – index array of flattened samples chosen to sample at next level
- **p** (*np.array*) – computed probabilities

sample_to_uv(*pdraws*, *shape*)

generate samples vectors from flat draw indices

Parameters

- **pdraws** (*np.array*) – flat index positions of samples to generate
- **shape** (*tuple*) – shape of level samples

Returns

- **si** (*np.array*) – index array of draws matching samps.shape
- **vecs** (*np.array*) – sample vectors

sample(*vecs*)

call rendering engine to sample rays

Parameters

vecs (*np.array*) – sample vectors (subclasses can choose which to use)

Returns

lum – array of shape (N,) to update weights

Return type

np.array

idxvecs()

3.8.8 SamplerPt

```
class raytraverse.sampler.SamplerPt(scene, engine, idres=32, nlev=5, accuracy=1.0, srcn=1,
                                     stype='generic', features=1, samplerlevel=0, **kwargs)
```

Bases: [BaseSampler](#)

wavelet based sampling class for direction rays from a point

Parameters

- **scene** ([raytraverse.scene.Scene](#)) – scene class containing geometry and formatter compatible with engine
- **engine** ([raytraverse.renderer.Renderer](#)) – should inherit from raytraverse.renderer.Renderer

- **idres** (*int, optional*) – initial direction resolution (as sqrt of samples per hemisphere)
- **nlev** (*int, optional*) – number of levels to sample (each lvl doubles idres)
- **accuracy** (*float, optional*) – parameter to set threshold at sampling level relative to final level threshold (smaller number will increase sampling, default is 1.0)
- **srcn** (*int, optional*) – number of sources return per vector by run
- **stype** (*str, optional*) – sampler type (prefixes output files)
- **srcdef** (*str, optional*) – path or string with source definition to add to scene
- **plotp** (*bool, optional*) – show probability distribution plots at each level (first point only)
- **features** (*int, optional*) – number of values evaluated for detail
- **engine_args** (*str, optional*) – command line arguments used to initialize engine
- **nproc** (*int, optional*) – number of processors to give to the engine, if None, uses os.cpu_count()

srcn

number of sources return per vector by run

Type

int

idres

initial direction resolution (as sqrt of samples per hemisphere (or view angle))

Type

int

sampling_scheme(a)

calculate sampling scheme

run(point, posidx, mapper=None, lpargs=None, **kwargs)

sample a single point, position index handles file naming

Parameters

- **point** (*np.array*) – point to sample
- **posidx** (*int*) – position index
- **mapper** ([raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper](#)) – view direction to sample
- **lpargs** (*dict, optional*) – keyword arguments forwarded to LightPointKD construction
- **kwargs** – passed to BaseSampler.run()

Return type

LightPointKD

repeat(guide, stype)

3.8.9 SkySamplerPt

```
class raytraverse.sampler.SkySamplerPt(scene, engine, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *SamplerPt*

sample contributions from the sky hemisphere according to a square grid transformed by shirley-chiu mapping using rcontrib.

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.Scene`) – scene class containing geometry, location and analysis plane scene: str, optional (required if not reload) space separated list of radiance scene files (no sky) or octree
- **engine** (`raytraverse.renderer.Rcontrib`) – initialized rendering instance

3.8.10 SunSamplerPt

```
class raytraverse.sampler.SunSamplerPt(scene, engine, sun, sunbin, nlev=6, stype='sun', **kwargs)
```

Bases: *SamplerPt*

sample contributions from direct suns.

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.Scene`) – scene class containing geometry, location and analysis plane
- **engine** (`raytraverse.renderer.Rtrace`) – initialized renderer instance (with scene loaded, no sources)
- **sun** (`np.array`) – shape 3, sun position
- **sunbin** (`int`) – sun bin

sunpos

sun position x,y,z

Type

`np.array`

```
run(point, posidx, specguide=None, **kwargs)
```

sample a single point, position index handles file naming

Parameters

- **point** (`np.array`) – point to sample
- **posidx** (`int`) – position index
- **mapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper`) – view direction to sample
- **lpargs** (`dict, optional`) – keyword arguments forwarded to LightPointKD construction
- **kwargs** – passed to BaseSampler.run()

Return type

`LightPointKD`

3.8.11 SunSamplerPtView

```
class raytraverse.sampler.SunSamplerPtView(scene, engine, sun, sunbin, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *SamplerPt*

sample view rays to a source.

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.Scene`) – scene class containing geometry, location and analysis plane
- **sun** (`np.array`) – the direction to the source
- **sunbin** (`int`) – index for naming

ub = 1

deterministic sample draws

```
run(point, posidx, vm=None, plotp=False, log=None, **kwargs)
```

sample a single point, position index handles file naming

Parameters

- **point** (`np.array`) – point to sample
- **posidx** (`int`) – position index
- **mapper** (`raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper`) – view direction to sample
- **lpargs** (`dict, optional`) – keyword arguments forwarded to LightPointKD construction
- **kwargs** – passed to BaseSampler.run()

Return type

`LightPointKD`

3.8.12 ImageSampler

```
class raytraverse.sampler.ImageSampler(scene, vm=None, scalefac=None, method='linear', color=False, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *SamplerPt*

sample image (for testing algorithms).

Parameters

- **scene** (`raytraverse.scene.ImageScene`) – scene class containing image file information
- **scalefac** (`float, optional`) – by default set to the average of non-zero pixels in the image used to establish sampling thresholds similar to contribution based samplers

3.8.13 DeterministicImageSampler

```
class raytraverse.sampler.DeterministicImageSampler(scene, vm=None, scalefac=None,
                                                    method='linear', color=False, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *ImageSampler*

ub = 1

upper bound for drawing from pdf passed to raytraverse.sampler.draw.from_pdf()

run(*point, posidx, mapper=None, lpargs=None, **kwargs*)

sample a single point, position index handles file naming

Parameters

- **point** (*np.array*) – point to sample
- **posidx** (*int*) – position index
- **mapper** (*raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper*) – view direction to sample
- **lpargs** (*dict, optional*) – keyword arguments forwarded to LightPointKD construction
- **kwargs** – passed to BaseSampler.run()

Return type

LightPointKD

3.9 raytraverse.lightpoint

3.9.1 LightPointKD

```
class raytraverse.lightpoint.LightPointKD(scene, vec=None, lum=None, vm=None, pt=(0, 0, 0),
                                           posidx=0, src='sky', srcn=1, srccdir=(0, 0, 1),
                                           calcomega=True, write=True, omega=None,
                                           filterviews=True, srcviews=None, parent=None,
                                           srcviewidxs=None, features=1)
```

Bases: *object*

light distribution from a point with KDtree structure for directional query

Parameters

- **scene** (*raytraverse.scene.BaseScene*) –
- **vec** (*np.array, optional*) – shape (N, >=3) where last three columns are normalized direction vectors of samples. If not given, tries to load from scene.outdir
- **lum** (*np.array, optional*) – reshapeable to (N, srcn). sample values for each source corresponding to vec. If not given, tries to load from scene.outdir
- **vm** (*raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, optional*) – a default viewmapper for image and metric calculations, should match viewmapper of sampler.run() if possible.
- **pt** (*tuple list np.array*) – 3 item point location of light distribution
- **posidx** (*int, optional*) – index position of point, will govern file naming so must be set to avoid clobbering writes. also used by spacemapper for planar sampling
- **src** (*str, optional*) – name of source group. will govern file naming so must be set to avoid clobbering writes.
- **srcn** (*int, optional*) – must match lum, does not need to be set if reloading from scene.outdir

- **calcomega** (*bool, optional*) – if True (default) calculate solid angle of rays. This is unnecessary if point will be combined before calculating any metrics. setting to False will save some computation time.
- **write** (*bool, optional*) – whether to save ray data to disk.
- **omega** (*np.array, optional*) – provide precomputed omega values, if given, overrides calcomega

vm

raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper

scene

raytraverse.scene.Scene

posidx

index for point

Type

int

pt

point location

Type

np.array

src

source key

Type

str

file

relative path to disk storage

Type

str

srcdir

direction to source(s)

load()**dump()****property vec**

direction vector (N,3)

property lum

luminance (N,srcn)

property d_kd

kd tree for spatial query

Getter

Returns kd tree structure

Type

scipy.spatial.cKDTree

property omega

solid angle (N)

Getter

Returns array of solid angles

Setter

sets soolid angles with viewmapper

Type

np.array

set_srcviews(srcviews, idxs=None)

calc_omega(write=True)

calculate solid angle

Parameters

write (bool, optional) – update/write kdtree data to file

apply_coef(coefs)

apply coefficient vector to self.lum

Parameters

coefs (np.array int float list) – shape (N, self.srcn) or broadcastable

Returns

alum – shape (N, self.vec.shape[0])

Return type

np.array

add_to_img(img, vecs, mask=None, skyvec=1, interp=False, idx=None, interpweights=None, order=False, omega=False, vm=None, rnd=False, engine=None, srcrnd=False, **kwargs)

add luminance contributions to image array (updates in place)

Parameters

- **img** (np.array) – 2D image array to add to (either zeros or with other source)
- **vecs** (np.array) – vectors corresponding to img pixels shape (N, 3)
- **mask** (np.array, optional) – indices to img that correspond to vec (in case where whole image is not being updated, such as corners of fisheye)
- **skyvec** (int float np.array, optional) – source coefficients, shape is (1,) or (srcn,)
- **interp** (Union[bool, str], optional) –
 - if “precomp”, use index and interpweights
 - if True and engine is None, linearinterpolation
 - if “fastc” and engine: uses content_interp (best after sampling w/o detail)
 - if “highc” and engine: uses content_interp_wedge (best after sampling w/o detail)
 - if “fast”: use interp_fast (pair with sampling w/ detail)
 - if “high”: use interp_wedge (pair with sampling w/ detail)
- **idx** (np.array, optional) – precomputed query/interpolation result
- **interpweights** (np.array, optional) – precomputted interpolation weights
- **omega** (bool) – if true, add value of ray solid angle instead of luminance
- **vm** (raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, optional) –
- **rnd** (bool, optional) – use random values as contribution (for visualizing data shape)
- **engine** (raytraverse.renderer.Rtrace, optional) – engine for content aware interpolation
- **kwargs** (dict, optional) – passed to interpolationn functions

evaluate(*skyvec*, *vm=None*, *idx=None*, *srconly=False*, *blursun=False*, *includeviews=True*)
return rays within view with skyvec applied. this is the analog to add_to_img for metric calculations

Parameters

- **skyvec** (*int float np.array, optional*) – source coefficients, shape is (1,) or (srcn,)
- **vm** (*raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, optional*) –
- **idx** (*np.array, optional*) – precomputed query_ball result
- **srconly** (*bool, optional*) – only evaluate direct sources (stored in self.srviews)
- **includeviews** (*bool, optional*) – include src views in returned results

Returns

- **rays** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3) rays falling within view
- **omega** (*np.array*) – shape (N,) associated solid angles
- **lum** (*np.array*) – shape (N,) associated luminances

query_ray(*vecs*)

return the index and distance of the nearest ray to each of vecs

Parameters

- **vecs** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3) normalized vectors to query, could represent image pixels for example.

Returns

- **i** (*np.array*) – integer indices of closest ray to each query
- **d** (*np.array*) – distance (corresponds to chord length on unit sphere) from query to ray in lightpoint. use translate.chord2theta to convert to angle.

query_ball(*vecs, viewangle=180*)

return set of rays within a view cone

Parameters

- **vecs** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3) vectors to query.
- **viewangle** (*int float*) – opening angle of view cone

Returns

i – if vecs is a single point, a list of vector indices of rays within view cone. if vecs is a set of point an array of lists, one for each vec is returned.

Return type

list np.array

make_image(*outf, skyvec, vm=None, res=1024, interp=False, showsample=False*)

direct_view(*res=512, showsample=False, showweight=True, rnd=False, order=False, srcidx=None, interp=False, omega=False, scalefactor=1, vm=None, fisheye=True, grow=1, srcrnd=False*)

create an unweighted summary image of lightpoint

add(*lf2, src=None, calcomega=True, write=False, sumsrc=False*)

add light points of distinct sources together results in a new lightpoint with srcn=self.srpn+srpn2 and vector size=self.vecsize+vecsize2

Parameters

- **lf2** (*raytraverse.lightpoint.LightPointKD*) –
- **src** (*str, optional*) – if None (default), src is “{lf1.src}_{lf2.src}”

- **calcomega** (*bool, optional*) – passed to LightPointKD constructor
- **write** (*bool, optional*) – passed to LightPointKD constructor
- **sumsrc** (*bool, optional*) – if True adds matching source indices together (must be same shape) this assumes that the two lightpoints represent the same source but different components (such as direct/indirect)

Returns

will be subtyped according to self, unless lf2 is needed to preserve data

Return type

raytraverse.lightpoint.LightPointKD

update(*vec, lum, omega=None, calcomega=True, write=True, filterviews=False*)

add additional rays to lightpoint in place

Parameters

- **vec** (*np.array, optional*) – shape (N, >=3) where last three columns are normalized direction vectors of samples.
- **lum** (*np.array, optional*) – reshapeable to (N, srcn). sample values for each source corresponding to vec.
- **omega** (*np.array, optional*) – provide precomputed omega values, if given, overrides calcomega
- **calcomega** (*bool, optional*) – if True (default) calculate solid angle of rays. This is unnecessary if point will be combined before calculating any metrics. setting to False will save some computation time. If False, resets omega to None!
- **write** (*bool, optional*) – whether to save updated ray data to disk.
- **filterviews** (*bool, optional*) – delete rays near sourceviews

linear_interp(*vm, srcvals, destvecs*)

static apply_interp(*i, srcvals, weights=None*)

interp(*destvecs, bandwidth=10, rt=None, lum=True, angle=True, dither=False, **kwargs*)

3.9.2 SrcViewPoint

class *raytraverse.lightpoint.SrcViewPoint*(*scene, vecs, lum, pt=(0, 0, 0), posidx=0, src='sunview', res=64, srcomega=6.796702357283834e-05*)

Bases: object

interface for sun view data

static offset(*points, target*)

scene

raytraverse.scene.Scene

posidx

index for point

Type

int

pt

point location

Type

np.array

src
source key
Type
str

raster
individual vectors that hit the source (pixels)
Type
np.array

lum
source luminance (average)
Type
float

radius
source radius
Type
float

property vm

- add_to_img**(*img, vecs, mask=None, coefs=1, vm=None*)
- evaluate**(*sunval, vm=None, blursun=False*)
- direct_view**(*res=80*)

3.9.3 CompressedPointKD

```
class raytraverse.lightpoint.CompressedPointKD(scene, vec=None, lum=None, write=True,
src=None, dist=0.0981, lerr=0.01, plotc=False,
**kwargs)
```

Bases: *LightPointKD*

compressed data needs special methods for making images.

can be initialized either like LightPointKD (but with required omega argument), or if ‘scene’ is a LightPointKD then a compressed output is calculated from the input

Parameters

- **scene** (*BaseScene LightpointKD*) –
- **src** (*str, optional*) – new name for src passed to LightPointKD constructor
- **dist** (*float, optional*) – translate.theta2chord(np.pi/32), primary clustering distance using the birch algorithm, for lossy compression of lf. this is the maximum radius of a cluster, preserving important directional information. clustering acts on ray direction and luminance, with weight of luminance dimension controlled by the lweight parameter.
- **lerr** (*float, optional*) – min-max normalized error in luminance grouping.
- **plotc** (*bool, optional*) – make directview plot of compressed output showing source vectors

add_to_img(*img, vecs, mask=None, skyvec=1, vm=None, **kwargs*)

add luminance contributions to image array (updates in place)

Parameters

- **img** (*np.array*) – 2D image array to add to (either zeros or with other source)
- **vecs** (*np.array*) – vectors corresponding to img pixels shape (N, 3)
- **mask** (*np.array, optional*) – indices to img that correspond to vec (in case where whole image is not being updated, such as corners of fisheye)
- **skyvec** (*int float np.array, optional*) – source coefficients, shape is (1,) or (srcn,)
- **vm** (*raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, optional*) –

compress(*lp, src=None, dist=0.0981, lerr=0.01*)

A lossy compression based on clustering. Rays are clustered using the birch algorithm on a 4D vector (x,y,z,lum) where lum is the sum of contributions from all sources in the LightPoint. In the optional second stage (activated with secondary=True) sources are further grouped through agglomerative cluster using an average linkage. This is to help with source identification/matching between LightPoints, but can introduce significant errors to computing non energy conserving metrics in cases where the applied sky vectors have large relative differences between adjacent patches (> 1.5:1) or if the variance in peak luminance above the lthreshold parameter is significant. These include cases where nearby transmitting materials is varied (example: a trans upper above a clear lower), or lthreshold is set too low. For this reason, it is better to use single stage compression for metric computation and only do glare source grouping for interpolation between LightPoints.

Parameters

- **lp** (*LightPointKD*) –
- **src** (*str, optional*) – new name for src passed to LightPointKD constructor
- **dist** (*float, optional*) – translate.theta2chord(np.pi/32), primary clustering distance using the birch algorithm, for lossy compression of lf. This is the maximum radius of a cluster, preserving important directional information. Clustering acts on ray direction and luminance, with weight of luminance dimension controlled by the lweight parameter.
- **lerr** (*float, optional*) – min-max normalized error in luminance grouping.
- **plotc** (*bool, optional*) – make directview plot of compressed output showing source vectors

Return type

arguments for initializing a CompressedPointKD

3.10 raytraverse.lightfield

3.10.1 LightField

class raytraverse.lightfield.LightField(*scene, vecs, pm, src*)

Bases: object

collection of light data with KDtree structure for spatial query

Parameters

- **scene** (*raytraverse.scene.BaseScene*) –
- **vecs** (*np.array str*) – the vectors used to organizing the child data as array or file shape (N,3) or (N,4) if 3, indexed from 0
- **pm** (*raytraverse.mapper.PlanMapper*) –
- **src** (*str*) – name of source group.

property samplelevel

the level at which the vec was sampled (all zero if not provided upon initialization)

propertyvecs

indexing vectors (such as position, sun positions, etc.)

property data

light data

property kd

kdtree for spatial queries built on demand

property omega

solid angle or area

query(vecs)

return the index and distance of the nearest point to each of points

Parameters

- vecs** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3) vectors to query.

Returns

- i** (*np.array*) – integer indices of closest ray to each query
- d** (*np.array*) – distance from query to point in spacemapper.

evaluate(*args, **kwargs)

3.10.2 LightPlaneKD

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.LightPlaneKD(scene, vecs, pm, src)
```

Bases: *LightField*

collection of lightpoints with KDtree structure for positional query

property data

LightPointSet

property omega

representative area of each point

Getter

Returns array of areas

Setter

sets areas

Type

np.array

```
evaluate(skyvec, points=None, vm=None, metricclass=<class
'raytraverse.evaluate.metricset.MetricSet'>, metrics=None, mask=True, **kwargs)
```

make_image(outf, vals, res=1024, interp=False, showsample=False)

make an image from precomputed values for every point in LightPlane

Parameters

- outf** (*str*) – the file to write
- vals** (*np.array*) – shape (len(self.points),) the values computed for each point
- res** (*int, optional*) – image resolution (the largest dimension)

- **interp** (*bool, optional*) – apply linear interpolation, points outside convex hull of results fall back to nearest
- **showsample** (*bool, optionaal*) – color pixel at sample location red

direct_view(*res=512, showsample=True, vm=None, area=False, metricclass=<class 'raytraverse.evaluate.metricset.MetricSet'>, metrics=('avglum',), interp=False*)

create a summary image of lightplane showing samples and areas

3.10.3 SunsPlaneKD

class raytraverse.lightfield.SunsPlaneKD(*scene, vecs, pm, src*)

Bases: *LightField*

collection of lightplanes with KDtree structure for sun position query

property **vecs**

indexing vectors (sx, sy, sz, px, py, pz)

property **suns**

property **data**

LightPlaneSet

property **kd**

kdtree for spatial queries built on demand

property **sunkd**

kdtree for sun position queries built on demand

query(*vecs*)

return the index and distance of the nearest vec to each of vecs

Parameters

vecs (*np.array*) – shape (N, 6) vectors to query.

Returns

- **i** (*np.array*) – integer indices of closest ray to each query
- **d** (*np.array*) – distance from query to point, positional distance is normalized by the average chord-length between level 0 sun samples divided by the average distance between level 0 pt samples.

query_by_sun(*sunvec, fixed_points=None, stol=10, minsun=1*)

for finding vectors across zone, sun vector based query

Parameters

- **sunvec** (*Sequence*) – sun direction vector (normalized, xyz)
- **fixed_points** (*Sequence, optional*) – 2d array like, shape (N, 3) of additional fixed points to return use for example with a matching sky query. Note that if point filter is to large not all of these points are necessarily returned.
- **stol** (*Union[float, int], optional*) – maximum angle (in degrees) for matching sun vectors
- **minsun** (*int, optional*) – if atleast these many suns are not returned based on stol, directly query for this number of results (regardless of sun error)

Returns

- **vecs** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 6) final vectors, because of fixed_points, this may not match exactly with self.vecs[i] so this array mus be used in further processing

- **i** (*np.array*) – integer indices of the closest rays to each query
- **d** (*np.array*) – angle (in degrees) between queried sunvec and returned index

query_by_suns(*sunvecs*, *fixed_points=None*, *stol=10*, *minsun=1*)

parallel processing call to query_by_sun for 2d array of sunvecs

Parameters

- **sunvecs** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3) sun direction vectors (normalized, xyz)
- **fixed_points** (*Sequence, optional*) – 2d array like, shape (N, 3) of additional fixed points to return use for example with a matching sky query. Note that if point filter is to large not all of these points are necessarily returned.
- **stol** (*Union[float, int], optional*) – maximum angle (in degrees) for matching sun vectors
- **minsun** (*int, optional*) – if atleast these many suns are not returned based on stol, directly query for this number of results (regardless of sun error)

Returns

- **vecs** (*list*) – list of np.array, one for each sunvec (see query_by_sun)
- **idx** (*list*) – list of np.array, one for each sunvec (see query_by_sun)
- **d** (*list*) – list of np.array, one for each sunvec (see query_by_sun)

3.10.4 SensorPlaneKD

class raytraverse.lightfield.SensorPlaneKD(*scene, vecs, pm, src*)

Bases: *LightPlaneKD*

collection of sensor results with KDtree structure for positional query

data has shape (pts, sensors, sources, bands)

property **sensors**

property **vecs**

indexing vectors (such as position, sun positions, etc.)

property **data**

light data

static **apply_coef**(*data, coefs*)

apply coefficient vector to data

Parameters

- **data** (*np.array*) – ndims should match self.data (N, sensors, nsrccs, nfeatures)
- **coefs** (*np.array int float list*) – shape (L, self.srccn) or broadcastable

Returns

alum – shape (L, N, sensors, nfeatures)

Return type

np.array

evaluate(*skyvec, points=None, sensoridx=None, mask=True, **kwargs*)

direct_view(*res=512, showsample=True, area=False, interp=False, sensoridx=None, **kwargs*)

create a summary image of lightplane showing samples and areas

3.10.5 SunSensorPlaneKD

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.SunSensorPlaneKD(scene, vecs, pm, src)
```

Bases: *SunsPlaneKD*

collection of sensorplanes with KDtree structure for sun position query

data has shape (pts * suns, sensors, sources, bands)

property sensors

property suns

property data

LightPlaneSet

```
static apply_coef(data, coefs)
```

apply coefficient vector to data

Parameters

- **data** (*np.array*) – ndims should match self.data (N, M, nsrscs, nfeatures)
- **coefs** (*np.array int float list*) – shape (L, self.srscn) or broadcastable

Returns

alum – shape (L, N, M, nfeatures)

Return type

np.array

3.10.6 LightResult

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.LightResult(data, *axes, boundary=None)
```

Bases: *object*

a dense representation of lightfield data analyzed for a set of metrics

this class handles writing and loading results to disk as binary data and intuitive result extraction and re-shaping for downstream visualisation and analysis using one of the “pull” methods. axes are indexed both numerically and names for increased transparency and ease of use.

Parameters

- **data** (*np.array str*) – multidimensional array of result data or file path to saved LightResule
- **axes** (*Sequence[raytraverse.lightfield.ResultAxis]*) – axis information

property boundary

property data

property axes

property names

property file

axis(name)

load(file)

write(file, compressed=True)

merge(*lrs, axis='sky')

create merged lightresult from lightresults, must match on all axes except axis. does not sort but culls duplicates

pull(*axes, preserve=1, **kwargs)

arrange and extract data slices from result.

Integrators construct a light result with these axes:

0. sky
1. point
2. view
3. metric

Parameters

- **axes** (*Union[int, str]*) – the axes (by name or integer index) to reorder output, list will fill with default object order.
- **preserve** (*int, optional*) – number of dimensions to preserve (result will be N+1).
- **kwargs** – keys with axis names will be used to filter output.

Returns

- **result** (*np.array*) – the result array, will have 1+*len(axes)* dims, with the shaped determined by axis size and any indices argument.
- **labels** (*Sequence*) – list of labels for each axis, for flattened axes will be a tuple of broadcast axis labels.
- **names** (*Sequence*) – list of strings of returned axis names

static row_labels(labels)**static fmt_names(name, labels)****pull_header(names, labels, rowlabel=True)****print(col, header=True, rowlabel=True, file=None, skyfill=None, **kwargs)**

first calls pull and then prints 2d result to file

sky_percentile(metric, per=(50,), **kwargs)**print_serial(col, basename, header=True, rowlabel=True, skyfill=None, **kwargs)**

print 3d result to series of 2d files

rebase(points)**pull2hdr(basename, col='metric', skyfill=None, spd=24, pm=None, res=480, showsample=False, **kwargs)****info()**

3.10.7 ZonalLightResult

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.ZonalLightResult(data, *axes, boundary=None)
```

Bases: *LightResult*

a semi-dense representation of lightfield data analyzed for a set of metrics

this class handles writing and loading results to disk as binary data and intuitive result extraction and re-shaping for downstream visualisation and analysis using one of the “pull” methods. axes are indexed both numerically and names for increased transparency and ease of use.

property data

load(file)

write(file, compressed=True)

merge(*lrs, axis='sky')

create merged lightresult from lightresults, must match on all axes except axis. does not sort but culls duplicates

pull2hdr(basename, showsample=False, pm=None, res=480, **kwargs)

rebase(points)

3.10.8 sets

LightSet

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.sets.LightSet(dataclass, scene, points, idx, **kwargs)
```

Bases: object

LightPointSet

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.sets.LightPointSet(scene, points, idx, src, parent)
```

Bases: *LightSet*

a collection of LightPoints, initialized bygetitem

MultiLightPointSet

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.sets.MultiLightPointSet(scene, points, idx, src, parent)
```

Bases: *LightSet*

SensorPointSet

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.sets.SensorPointSet(data, idx, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *LightSet*

3.10.9 RaggedResult

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.RaggedResult(a)
```

Bases: tuple

has a shape parameter and indexing similar to a np.array, but with varying shape along the second axis. composed of a list of np.arrays whose shape match after the first dimension.

3.10.10 ResultAxis

```
class raytraverse.lightfield.ResultAxis(values, name, cols=None)
```

Bases: object

`value_array()`

`index(i)`

`property cols`

3.11 raytraverse.integrator

3.11.1 Integrator

```
class raytraverse.integrator.Integrator(*lightplanes, includesky=True, includesun=True,
                                         sunviewengine=None, ds=False, dv=False)
```

Bases: object

collection of lightplanes with KDtree structure for sun position query

Parameters

- `lightplanes` (`Sequence[raytraverse.lightfield.LightPlaneKD]`) –
- `make_images` (`skydata, points, vm, viewangle=180.0, res=512, interp=False, prefix='img', namebyindex=False, suntol=10.0, blursun=False, resamprad=0.0, bandwidth=10`) – see namebyindex for file naming conventions

Parameters

- `skydata` (`raytraverse.sky.Skydata`) –
- `points` (`np.array`) – shape (N, 3)
- `vm` (`Union[raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, np.array]`) – either a predefined ViewMapper (used for all points) or an array of view directions (will use a 180 degree view angle when initializing ViewMapper)
- `viewangle` (`float, optional`) – view opening for sensor (0-180,360) when vm is given as an array of view directions.
- `res` (`int, optional`) – image resolution
- `interp` (`bool, optional`) – interpolate image
- `prefix` (`str, optional`) – prefix for output file naming
- `namebyindex` (`bool, optional`) – if False (default), names images by: <prefix>_sky-<row>_pt-<x>_<y>_<z>_vd-<dx>_<dy>_<dz>.hdr if True, names images by: <prefix>_sky-<row>_pt-<pidx>_vd-<vidx>.hdr, where pidx, vidx are refer to the order of points, and vm.

Return type

`np.array of out_files shape (skies, points, views)`

```
evaluate(skydata, points, vm, viewangle=180.0, metricclass=<class
    'raytraverse.evaluate.metricset.MetricSet'>, metrics=None, datainfo=False, srconly=False,
    suntol=10.0, blursun=False, coercesumsafe=False, stol=10, minsun=1, emax=10000,
    **kwargs)
```

apply sky data and view queries to daylightplane to return metrics parallelizes and optimizes run order.

Parameters

- **skydata** (`raytraverse.sky.Skydata`) –
- **points** (`np.array`) – shape (N, 3)
- **vm** (`Union[raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, np.array]`) – either a predefined ViewMapper (used for all points) or an array of view directions (will use ‘viewangle’ when initializing ViewMapper)
- **viewangle** (`float, optional`) – view opening for sensor (0-180,360) when vm is given as an array of view directions, note that for illuminance based metrics, a value of 360 may not make sense as values behind will be negative.
- **metricclass** (`raytraverse.evaluate.BaseMetricSet, optional`) –
- **metrics** (`Sized, optional`) –
- **srconly** (`bool, optional`) – sun only calculations
- **suntol** (`float, optional`) – if Integrator has an engine, resample sun views when actual sun position error is greater than this many degrees.
- **blursun** (`bool, optional`) – apply human PSF to small bright sources
- **coercesumsafe** (`bool, optional`) – attempt to calculate sumsafe metrics
- **datainfo** (`Union[Sized[str], bool, optional]`) – include information about source data as additional metrics. Valid values include: [“pt_err”, “pt_idx”, “src_err”, “src_idx”]. If True, includes all.
- **stol** (`Union[float, int, optional]`) – maximum angle (in degrees) for matching sun vectors (zonal)
- **minsun** (`int, optional`) – if atleast these many suns are not returned based on stol, directly query for this number of results (regardless of sun error) (zonal)

Return type

`raytraverse.lightfield.LightResult`

```
zonal_evaluate(skydata, pm, vm, viewangle=180.0, metricclass=<class
    'raytraverse.evaluate.metricset.MetricSet'>, metrics=None, srconly=False,
    suntol=10.0, blursun=False, coercesumsafe=False, stol=10, minsun=1,
    datainfo=False, calcarea=True, emax=10000, **kwargs)
```

apply sky data and view queries to daylightplane to return metrics parallelizes and optimizes run order.

Parameters

evaluate (see) –

Return type

`raytraverse.lightfield.ZonalLightResult`

3.11.2 SensorIntegrator

```
class raytraverse.integrator.SensorIntegrator(*lightplanes, ptype=None, factors=None,
                                             scale=179.0, **kwargs)
```

Bases: [Integrator](#)

collection of sensorplanes with evaluation routines

Parameters

- **lightplanes** (*Sequence[raytraverse.lightfield.SensorPlaneKD]*) –
- **ptype** (*Sequence[str]*) – matching order of lightplanes, requires one for each:
 - “sky”: represents sky with nsrcts = skydata
 - “skysun”: represents sky+sun with nsrcts = skydata
 - “patch”: represents sun contribution as patch
 - “sun”: sun contribution
 - “fixed”: does not respond to skydata (electric lighting)
- **factors** (*Sequence[int]*, *optional*) – values, for each light plane to scale contribution of each light plane for example, provide (1, -1, 1) for ptype: (“skysun”, “patch”, “sun”) for 2-phase DDS calculation. If not give, all are set to 1
- **scale** (*float*, *optional*) – default output in lux (179)

make_images(*args, **kwargs)

see [namebyindex](#) for file naming conventions

Parameters

- **skydata** (*raytraverse.sky.Skydata*) –
- **points** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3)
- **vm** (*Union[raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper, np.array]*) – either a predefined ViewMapper (used for all points) or an array of view directions (will use a 180 degree view angle when initializing ViewMapper)
- **viewangle** (*float*, *optional*) – view opening for sensor (0-180,360) when vm is given as an array of view directions.
- **res** (*int*, *optional*) – image resolution
- **interp** (*bool*, *optional*) – interpolate image
- **prefix** (*str*, *optional*) – prefix for output file naming
- **namebyindex** (*bool*, *optional*) – if False (default), names images by: <prefix>_sky-<row>_pt-<x>_<y>_<z>_vd-<dx>_<dy>_<dz>.hdr if True, names images by: <prefix>_sky-<row>_pt-<pidx>_vd-<vidx>.hdr, where pidx, vidx are refer to the order of points, and vm.

Return type

np.array of *out_files* shape (skies, points, views)

evaluate(*skydata*, *points=None*, *vm=None*, *datainfo=False*, *stol=10*, *minsun=1*, **kwargs)

apply sky data and view queries to daylightplane to return metrics parallelizes and optimizes run order.

Parameters

- **skydata** (*raytraverse.sky.Skydata*) –
- **points** (*np.array*, *optional*) – shape (N, 3), if None evaluates zone
- **vm** (*ignored*) –

- **datainfo** (*Union[Sized[str], bool]*, *optional*) – include information about source data as additional metrics. Valid values include: [“pt_err”, “pt_idx”, “src_err”, “src_idx”]. If True, includes all. zonal evaluation will only include src_err and src_idx
- **stol** (*Union[float, int]*, *optional*) – maximum angle (in degrees) for matching sun vectors
- **minsun** (*int*, *optional*) – if atleast these many suns are not returned based on stol, directly query for this number of results (regardless of sun error)

Return type*raytraverse.lightfield.LightResult*

```
zonal_evaluate(skydata, pm, vm=None, datainfo=False, stol=10, minsun=1, calcarea=True,  
**kwargs)
```

Parameters**evaluate** (see) –**Return type***raytraverse.lightfield.ZonalLightResult*

3.11.3 helpers

parallelization functions for integration

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.evaluate_pt(lpts, skyvecs, suns, vm=None, vms=None,  
metricclass=None, metrics=None, srconly=False,  
sumsafe=False, suntol=1.0, svengine=None,  
blursun=False, refl=None, resamprad=0.0, **kwargs)
```

point by point evaluation suitable for submitting to ProcessPool

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.img_pt(lpts, skyvecs, suns, vms=None, combos=None, qpts=None,  
skinfo=None, res=512, interp=False, prefix='img', suntol=1.0,  
svengine=None, refl=None, resamprad=0.0, **kwargs)
```

point by point evaluation suitable for submitting to ProcessPool

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.prep_ds(lpts, skyvecs)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.evaluate_pt_ds(lpts, skyvecs, suns, **kwargs)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.img_pt_ds(lpts, skyvecs, suns, **kwargs)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.evaluate_pt_dv(lpts, skyvecs, suns, **kwargs)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.img_pt_dv(lpts, skyvecs, suns, **kwargs)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.prep_resamp(lpts, refl=None, resamprad=0.0)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.update_src_view(engine, lpt, sun, vm=None, tol=1.0, refl=None,  
resampvecs=None, reflarea=None,  
resamprad=0.0)
```

```
raytraverse.integrator.helpers.apply_dsky_patch(skp, skd, skyvecs, skdir, dirlum=None)
```

3.12 raytraverse.evaluate

3.12.1 BaseMetricSet

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.BaseMetricSet(vec, omega, lum, vm, metricset=None, scale=179.0,
                                         omega_as_view_area=True, guth=True, warn=False,
                                         **kwargs)
```

Bases: object

object for calculating metrics based on a view direction, and rays consisting on direction, solid angle and luminance information

by encapsulating these calculations within a class, metrics with redundant calculations can take advantage of cached results, for example dgp does not need to recalculate illuminance when it has been directly requested. all metrics can be accessed as properties (and are calculated just in time) or the object can be called (no arguments) to return a np.array of all metrics defined in “metricset”

Parameters

- **vm** (`raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper`) – the view direction
- **vec** (`np.array`) – (N, 3) directions of all rays in view
- **omega** (`np.array`) – (N,) solid angle of all rays in view
- **lum** (`np.array`) – (N,) luminance of all rays in view (multiplied by “scale”)
- **metricset** (`list, optional`) – keys of metrics to return, same as property names
- **scale** (`float, optional`) – scalefactor for luminance
- **omega_as_view_area** (`bool, optional`) – take sum(omega) as view area. if false corrects omega to vm.area
- **warnings** (`bool, optional`) – if False, suppresses numpy warnings (zero div, etc...) when accessed via `__call__`
- **kwargs** – additional arguments that may be required by additional properties

```
allmetrics = ['illum', 'avglum', 'loggcr', 'gcr', 'pwgcr', 'logpwgcr', 'density',
             'avgraylum', 'pwavglum', 'maxlum']
```

```
safe2sum = {'avglum', 'density', 'illum'}
```

```
defaultmetrics = ['illum', 'avglum', 'loggcr']
```

available metrics (and the default return set)

```
classmethod check_metrics(metrics, raise_error=False)
```

returns list of valid metric names from argument if raise_error is True, raises an Attributte Error

```
classmethod check_safe2sum(metrics)
```

checks if list of metrics is safe to compute for seperate sources before adding

```
property vec
```

```
property lum
```

```
property omega
```

```
property ctheta
```

cos angle between ray and view

```
property radians
```

angle between ray and view

```
property pos_idx
property pweight
property pweighted_area
property illum
    illuminance
property avg_lum
    average luminance
property max_lum
    average luminance
property pwavg_lum
    position weighted average luminance
property avgray_lum
    average luminance (not weighted by omega)
property gcr
    a unitless measure of relative contrast defined as the average of the squared luminances divided by the average luminance squared
property pwgcr
    a unitless measure of relative contrast defined as the average of the squared luminances divided by the average luminance squared weighted by a position index
property logpwgcr
    a unitless measure of relative contrast defined as the log of gcr
property loggcr
    a unitless measure of relative contrast defined as the log of gcr
property density
```

3.12.2 MultiLumMetricSet

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.MultiLumMetricSet(vec, omega, lum, vm, metricset=None, scale=179.0,
                                             omega_as_view_area=True, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *BaseMetricSet*

object for calculating metrics based on a view direction, and rays consisting on direction, solid angle and luminance information

by encapsulating these calculations within a class, metrics with redundant calculations can take advantage of cached results, for example dgp does not need to recalculate illuminance when it has been directly requested. all metrics can be accessed as properties (and are calculated just in time) or the object can be called (no arguments) to return a np.array of all metrics defined in “metricset”

Parameters

- **vm** (`raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper`) – the view direction
- **vec** (`np.array`) – (N, 3) directions of all rays in view
- **omega** (`np.array`) – (N,) solid angle of all rays in view
- **lum** (`np.array`) – (N, M) luminance of all rays in view (multiplied by “scale”)
- **metricset** (`list, optional`) – keys of metrics to return, same as property names
- **scale** (`float, optional`) – scalefactor for luminance

- **kwargs** – additional arguments that may be required by additional properties

property illum

illuminance

property avglum

average luminance

property avgraylum

average luminance (not weighted by omega)

property gcr

a unitless measure of relative contrast defined as the average of the squared luminances divided by the average luminance squared

3.12.3 MetricSet

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.MetricSet(vec, omega, lum, vm, metricset=None, scale=179.0,
                                     threshold=2000.0, guth=True, tradius=30.0,
                                     omega_as_view_area=False, lowlight=False, **kwargs)
```

Bases: *BaseMetricSet*

object for calculating metrics based on a view direction, and rays consisting on direction, solid angle and luminance information

by encapsulating these calculations within a class, metrics with redundant calculations can take advantage of cached results, for example dgp does not need to recalculate illuminance when it has been directly requested. all metrics can be accessed as properties (and are calculated just in time) or the object can be called (no arguments) to return a np.array of all metrics defined in “metricset”

Parameters

- **vm** (`raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper`) – the view direction
- **vec** (`np.array`) – (N, 3) directions of all rays in view
- **omega** (`np.array`) – (N,) solid angle of all rays in view
- **lum** (`np.array`) – (N,) luminance of all rays in view (multiplied by “scale”)
- **metricset** (`list, optional`) – keys of metrics to return, same as property names
- **scale** (`float, optional`) – scalefactor for luminance
- **threshold** (`float, optional`) – threshold for glaresource/background similar behavior to evalglare ‘-b’ parameter. if greater than 100 used as a fixed luminance threshold. otherwise used as a factor times the task luminance (defined by ‘tradius’)
- **guth** (`bool, optional`) – if True, use Guth for the upper field of view and iwata for the lower if False, use Kim
- **tradius** (`float, optional`) – radius in degrees for task luminance calculation
- **kwargs** – additional arguments that may be required by additional properties

defaultmetrics = ['illum', 'avglum', 'loggcr', 'ugp', 'dgp']

available metrics (and the default return set)

allmetrics = ['illum', 'avglum', 'loggcr', 'gcr', 'pwgcr', 'logpwgcr', 'density', 'avgraylum', 'pwavglum', 'maxlum', 'ugp', 'dgp', 'tasklum', 'backlum', 'dgp_t1', 'log_gc', 'dgp_t2', 'ugr', 'threshold', 'pws12', 'view_area', 'backlum_true', 'srcillum', 'srcarea', 'maxlum']

safe2sum = {'avglum', 'density', 'illum', 'pws12', 'srcillum'}

```
property src_mask
    boolean mask for filtering source/background rays
property task_mask
property sources
    vec, omega, lum of rays above threshold
property background
    vec, omega, lum of rays below threshold
property source_pos_idx
property threshold
    threshold for glaresource/background similar behavior to evalglare '-b' parameter
property pws12
    position weighted source luminance squared, used by dgp, ugr, etc sum(Ls^2*omega/Ps^2)
property srcillum
    source illuminance
property srcarea
    total source area
property maxlum
    peak luminance
property backlum
    average background luminance CIE estimate (official for some metrics)
property backlum_true
    average background luminance mathematical
property tasklum
    average task luminance
property dgp
property dgp_t1
property log_gc
property dgp_t2
property ugr
property ugp
//dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.buildenv.2016.08.005
```

Type
http

3.12.4 FieldMetric

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.FieldMetric(vec, omega, lum, vm=None, scale=1.0, npts=360, close=True,
                                       sigma=0.05, omega_as_view_area=True, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `BaseMetricSet`

calculate metrics on full spherical point clouds rather than view based metrics.

Parameters

- **vec** (`np.array`) – (N, 3) directions of all rays
- **omega** (`np.array`) – (N,) solid angle of all rays
- **lum** (`np.array`) – (N,) luminance of all rays (multiplied by “scale”)
- **metricset** (`list, optional`) – keys of metrics to return, same as property names
- **scale** (`float, optional`) – scalefactor for luminance
- **npts** (`int, optional`) – for equatorial metrics, the number of points to interpolate
- **close** (`bool, optional`) – include npts+1 duplicate to draw closed curve
- **sigma** (`float, optional`) – scale parameter of gaussian for kernel estimated metrics
- **omega_as_view_area** (`bool, optional`) – set to true when vectors either represent a whole sphere or a subset that does not match the viewmapper. if False, corrects boundary omega to properly trim to correct size.
- **kwargs** – additional arguments that may be required by additional properties

property tp

vectors in spherical coordinates

property phi

interpolated output phi values

property eq_xyz

interpolated output xyz vectors

property avg

overall vector (with magnitude)

property peak

overall vector (with magnitude)

property eq_lum

luminance along an interpolated equator with a bandwidth=sigma

property eq_density

ray density along an interpolated equator

property eq_illum

illuminance along an interpolated equator

property eq_gcr

cosine weighted gcr along an interpolated equator

property eq_loggc

property eq_dgp

3.12.5 SamplingMetrics

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.SamplingMetrics(vec, omega, lum, vm, scale=1.0, peakthreshold=0.0001,
                                         lmin=0, gcrnorm=8, **kwargs)

Bases: BaseMetricSet

default metricset for areasampler

defaultmetrics = ['avglum', 'loggcr', 'xpeak', 'ypeak']

available metrics (and the default return set)

allmetrics = ['avglum', 'loggcr', 'xpeak', 'ypeak']

property peakvec
    average vector (with magnitude) for peak rays

property xpeak
    x-component of avgvec as positive number (in range 0-1)

property ypeak
    y-component of avgvec as positive number (in range 0-1)

property loggcr
    log of global contrast ratio
```

3.12.6 PositionIndex

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.PositionIndex(guth=True)

Bases: object

calculate position index according to guth/iwata or kim

Parameters
    guth (bool) – if True, use Guth for the upper field of view and iwata for the lower if False,
    use Kim

positions(vm, vec)
    calculate position indices for a set of vectors

Parameters
    • vm (raytraverse.mapper.ViewMapper) – the view/analysis point, should have 180
    degree field of view
    • vec (np.array) – shape (N,3) the view vectors to calculate

Returns
    posidx – shape (N,) the position indices

Return type
    np.array

positions_vec(viewvec, srcvec, up=(0, 0, 1))
```

3.12.7 retina

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.hpsf(x, fwhm=0.183333)`

estimate of human eye point-spread function

from: Yang, Yr., Wanek, J. & Shahidi, M. Representing the retinal line spread shape with mathematical functions. J. Zhejiang Univ. Sci. B 9, 996–1002 (2008). <https://doi.org/10.1631/jzus.B0820184>

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.inv_hpsf(y, fwhm=0.183333)`

inverse of hpsf

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.blur_sun(omega, lmax, lmin=279.33, fwhm=0.183333)`

calculate source correction to small bright source

returned value should be multiplied by omega and divides luminance

Parameters

- **omega** (`Union[float, np.array]`) – solid angle in steradians of source
- **lmax** (`Union[float, np.array]`) – maximum radiance in source (cd/m^2)/179
- **lmin** (`Union[float, np.array], optional`) – minimum radiance value to gather after spread (mimic peak extraction of evalglare, but note the different units (cd/m^2))/179
- **fwhm** (`Union[float, np.array], optional`) – full width half max of Lorentzian curve (radius in degrees) default is 11 arcmin.

Returns

correction factor – value should be multiplied by omega and divides luminance

Return type

`Union[float, np.array]`

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.rgcf_density_on_meridian(deg, mi)`

retinal ganglion cell field density along a meridian as a functional best fit.

the field density accounts for the input region of the ganglion cell to account for displaced ganglion cells. This value is estimate from cone density and the inferred density of midget ganglion cells. see Watson (2014) for important caveats.

Parameters

- **deg** (`np.array`) – eccentricity in degrees along meridian
- **mi** (`int`) – meridian index. [0, 1, 2, 3] for Temporal, Superior, Nasal, Inferior.

Returns

1d array of retinal ganglion cell density along a meridian

Return type

`np.array`

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.rgc_density_on_meridian(deg, mi)`

retinal ganglion cell density along a meridian as a linear interpolation between non-zero measurements

As opposed to the field density this estimate the actual location of ganglion cells, which could be important to consider for intrinsically photosensitive cells. These are (partially?) responsible for pupillary response. However, even iprgc (may?) receive signals from rods/cones

Parameters

- **deg** (`np.array`) – eccentricity in degrees along meridian
- **mi** (`int`) – meridian index. [0, 1, 2, 3] for Temporal, Superior, Nasal, Inferior.

Returns

1d array of retinal ganglion cell density along a meridian

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.rgcf_density_xy(xy, func=<function rgcf_density_on_meridian>)`

interpolate density between meridia, selected by quadrant

Parameters

- **xy** (`np.array`) – xy visual field coordinates on a disk in degrees (eccentricity 0-90 from fovea)
- **func** (`callable`) – density function along a meridian, takes r in degrees and an axes index: [0, 1, 2, 3] for Temporal, Superior, Nasal, Inferior.

Returns

1d array of single eye densities

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.binocular_density(xy, func=<function rgcf_density_on_meridian>)`

average denisty between both eyes.

Parameters

- **xy** (`np.array`) – xy visual field coordinates on a disk (eccentricity 0-1 from fovea)
- **func** (`callable`) – density function along a meridian, takes r in degrees and an axes index: [0, 1, 2, 3] for Temporal, Superior, Nasal, Inferior. coordinates are for the visual field.

Returns

1d array of average binocular densities

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.rgcf_density(xy)`

retinal ganglion cell field density

Parameters

xy (`np.array`) – xy visual field coordinates on a disk (eccentricity 0-1 from fovea)

Returns

1d array retinal ganglion cell field density according to model by Watson

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.evaluate.retina.rgc_density(xy)`

retinal ganglion cell density (includes displaced ganglion cells)

Parameters

xy (`np.array`) – xy visual field coordinates on a disk (eccentricity 0-1 from fovea)

Returns

1d array retinal ganglion cell density according to measurements by Curcio

Return type

np.array

3.12.8 hvsgsm

```
raytraverse.evaluate.hvsgsm.gss_compute(imgs, illum=None, save=False, suffix='_rg.hdr',
                                         outdir=None, **kwargs)
```

initialize a GSS instance and compute multiple images in parallel

Parameters

- **imgs** (*Sequence*) – list of image file paths to compute. images should by 180 degree HDR angular fisheyes scaled at 1/179 cd/m² (standard radiance HDR)
- **illum** (*Sequence, optional*) – If images only contain glare sources but not an accurate background provide illuminance calculated separately (like eDGPs process)
- **save** (*bool, optional*) – If true saves an image of the glare response
- **suffix** (*str, optional*) – suffix to append to image when save is True
- **outdir** (*str, optional*) – save response images to a different directory
- **kwargs** – passed to GSS initialization

Returns

GSS – glare sensation scores for all images (in order given)

Return type

list

```
raytraverse.evaluate.hvsgsm.process_gss(img, illum, ins, outf=False, outdir=None, suffix='_rg.hdr')
```

called by gss_compute in parallel

```
raytraverse.evaluate.hvsgsm.f_b(b, c, phi)
```

component of point spread function

J.K. Ijspeert, T.J.T.P. Van Den Berg, H. Spekreijse, An improved

mathematical description of the foveal visual point spread function with parameters for age, pupil size and pigmentation, Vision Research, Volume 33, Issue 1, 1993, Pages 15-20, ISSN 0042-6989, [https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989\(93\)90053-Y](https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989(93)90053-Y).

```
raytraverse.evaluate.hvsgsm.l_b(b, c, phi)
```

component of line spread function

J.K. Ijspeert, T.J.T.P. Van Den Berg, H. Spekreijse, An improved

mathematical description of the foveal visual point spread function with parameters for age, pupil size and pigmentation, Vision Research, Volume 33, Issue 1, 1993, Pages 15-20, ISSN 0042-6989, [https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989\(93\)90053-Y](https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989(93)90053-Y).

3.12.9 GSS

```
class raytraverse.evaluate.GSS(view=None, gst=0, age=40, f=16.67, scale=179, pigmentation=0.106,
                               fwidth=10, psf=True, adaptmove=True, directmove=True, raw=False)
```

Bases: object

calculate GSS for images with angular fisheye projection

application of model described in:

A GENERIC GLARE SENSATION MODEL BASED ON THE HUMAN VISUAL SYSTEM
Vissenberg, M.C.J.M., Perz, M., Donners, M.A.H., Sekulovski, D. Signify Research, Eindhoven,
THE NETHERLANDS gilles.vissenberg@signify.com DOI 10.25039/x48.2021.0P23

see methods for citations associated with each step in model.

the model requires the following steps:

Done when setting an image with a new resolution:

1. calculate solid angle of pixels
2. calculate eccentricity from guth position idx

Steps for applying model to an image:

1. calculate eye illuminance from image
2. mask non-glare source pixels (not described in model, fixed thresh)
3. calculate pupil area and diameter
4. calculate global retinal irradiance
5. calculate incident retinal irradiance of glare sources
6. apply PSF to (5)
7. apply movement affecting adaptation to (6)
8. apply movement affecting direct response to (6)
9. calculate local adaptation using (7)
10. calculate V/V_m photoreceptor response (8)
11. calculate receptor field response to (10) as DoG
12. normalize field response with logistic
13. sum GSS and apply position weighting

Parameters

- **view** – can be None, a view file, a ViewMapperr, or an hdriimage with a valid view specification (must be -vta)
- **gst** – glare source threshold (cd/m^2)
- **age** – age of observer
- **f** – eye focal length
- **scale** – factor to apply to raw pixel values to convert to cd/m^2
- **pigmentation** –

from Ijspeert et al. 1993:

mean for blue eyes: 0.16 brown eyes: 0.106 dark brown eyes: 0.056

- **fwidth** (*Union[int, float], optional*) – the width of the frame for psf
- **psf** (*bool, optional*) – apply pointspread function for light arriving at retina
- **adaptmove** (*bool, optional*) – apply involuntary eye movement effect on local adaptation
- **directmove** (*bool, optional*) – apply involuntary eye movement effect on direct cone response
- **raw** (*bool, optional*) – do not weight results, used for calibration

Notes

set self.lum, either by initializing with an image, or with the parameter setter, then compute:

```
gss = GSS("img.hdr")
gss.lum = "img.hdr"
score = gss.compute()
```

additional images can be loaded and computed with the parameter setter by calling images with the same resolution and view size on an initialized object, substantial re-computation can be avoided.

Alternatively, to get access to process arrays or to override pupil adaptation and/or isolating glare sources:

```
e_g, pupa, pupd = self.adapt(ev_eye)
img_gs = self.get_glare_sources()
r_g, parrays = self.glare_response(img_gs, e_g, pupa, pupd,
return_arrays=True)
```

For processing multiple images with the same GSS initialization in parallel, see hvsgsm.gss_compute()

```
emax = 0.12
emin = 0.009
fr_a = 22
fr_b = 0.25
fr_k = 0.67
norm = 4
contrast = 0.8
adapt(ev_eye=None)
    step 1 in compute, adapt eye to image
get_glare_sources()
    step 2 in compute, isolate glare sources
glare_response(img_gs, e_g, pupa, pupd, return_arrays=False)
    step 3 in compute, apply steps of Vissenberg et al. model
```

Parameters

- **img_gs** (*np.array*) – representing all glare sources
- **e_g** (*float*) – global retinal irradiance
- **pupa** (*float*) – pupil area (mm²)
- **pupd** (*float*) – pupil diameter (mm)
- **return_arrays** (*bool, optional*) – if True returns second value with dict of process arrays else return r_w only

Returns

- **r_w** (*np.array*) – weighted glare response for entire retina as represented by image
- **parrays** (*dict, optional*) – with returned_arrays=True keys: retinal_irrad, psf, adapt_eye_movement, direct_eye_movement, local_adaptation, response_ratio, response_lin, response_log

compute(*save=None*, *ev_eye=None*)

apply glare sensation model to loaded image

Parameters

- **save** (*str*) – if given save response image to file specified (.hdr)
- **ev_eye** (*float, optional*) – externally calculated Ev

Return type

float

property ecc**property lum****property res**

resolution, set via lum

property vecs

directions, set via lum

property omega

solid angle, set via lum

property mask

view mask, set via lum

property ctheta

cos between vectors and view direction, set via lum

property sigma_c

position index scaled to eccentricity .009-.12 (used in field_response)

Note that this differs from the implementation described by Vissenberg and incorporates KIM below the horizon

property vm**pupil**(*ev*)

calculate pupil area

Based on: Donners, Maurice & Vissenberg, Michel & Geerdinck, L.M. & Broek-Cools, J. (2015). A PSYCHOPHYSICAL MODEL OF DISCOMFORT GLARE IN BOTH OUTDOOR AND INDOOR APPLICATIONS.

Parameters**ev** – illuminance at eye (lux)**retinal_irradiance**(*lum, pupa*)

adjust incident light on retina based on pupil size and focal-length

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equation (1): (1) $E_r = A_p * L / f^2 E_r$: local retinal irradiance L: field luminance**prep_kernel()**

construct an array to hold a kernel scaled to image resolution

psf_coef(*pupd*)

age, pupil size and pigmentation adjusted PSF coefficients

PSF:
$$\text{PSF}(\phi) = \sum(c * f_b(\phi)) \quad f_b(\phi) = b/(2 * (\sin^2(\phi) + b^2 * \cos^2(\phi))^{1.5}) \quad 1/\text{steradian}$$
LSF:
$$\text{LSF}(\phi) = \sum(c * l_b(\phi)) \quad l_b(\phi) = b/(* (\sin^2(\phi) + b^2 * \cos^2(\phi))) \quad 1/\text{rad}$$

based on: J.K. Ijspeert, T.J.T.P. Van Den Berg, H. Spekreijse, An improved mathematical description of the foveal visual point spread function with parameters for age, pupil size and pigmentation, Vision Research, Volume 33, Issue 1, 1993, Pages 15-20, ISSN 0042-6989, [https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989\(93\)90053-Y](https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989(93)90053-Y).

apply_psf(*e_r, pupd*)

apply human foveal point spread function

based on: J.K. Ijspeert, T.J.T.P. Van Den Berg, H. Spekreijse, An improved mathematical description of the foveal visual point spread function with parameters for age, pupil size and pigmentation, Vision Research, Volume 33, Issue 1, 1993, Pages 15-20, ISSN 0042-6989, [https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989\(93\)90053-Y](https://doi.org/10.1016/0042-6989(93)90053-Y).

apply_eye_movement_1(*e_r*)

eye movement gaussian adaptation model to blur image at the time- scale of adaptation response.

based on: R. A. Normann, B. S. Baxter, H. Ravindra and P. J. Anderton, "Photoreceptor contributions to contrast sensitivity: Applications in radiological diagnosis," in IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, vol. SMC-13, no. 5, pp. 944-953, Sept.-Oct. 1983, doi: 10.1109/TSMC.1983.6313090.

Parameters

- **e_r** (*np.array*) – retinal irradiance (optical correction)

Returns

retinal irradiance (with adaptation scale movement and optical correction)

Return type

adapt_eye_movement

apply_eye_movement_2(*e_r, e_g*)

blur image due to eye movement during direct response

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equations (5) and (6): (5) = $100/(E_g * f^2)^{0.12}$ ms tau (): cone integration time

(6) $w = 2 * \sqrt{D} * D = 30.0 \text{ arcmin}^2 * s^{-1}$ (ocular drift) $D = 250.0$ (micro saccades)

Parameters

- **e_r** (*np.array*) – retinal irradiance (optical correction)
- **e_g** (*float*) – global retinal irradiance

Returns

retinal irradiance (with movement and optical correction)

Return type

direct_eye_movement

local_eye_adaptation(*e_r, e_g*)

calculate localized eye adaptation

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equation (4): $\log_{10}(E_a) = p * \log_{10}(E_r) + (1-p) * \log_{10}(E_g)$ E_a : adaptation illuminance p : 0.8 (indoor / moderate) - 0.9 (outdoor / strong) contrast

Parameters

- **e_r** (*np.array*) – retinal irradiance (optical correction)
- **e_g** (*float*) – global retinal irradiance

Return type

local_adaptation

static cone_response(*e_r*, *e_a*)

calculate local response as a fraction of maximum at current adaptation

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equations (2) and (3): (2) $V/V_m = E_r^n / (E_r^n + \gamma^n)$ V : photoreceptor response V_m : maximum response E_r : local retinal illuminance (apply w to this E_r) n : 0.74

(3) $= (5.701055^{(1/2.55)} + E_a^{(1/2.55)})^{2.55}$ sigma (): half-saturation retinal illuminance value

Parameters

- ***e_r* (*np.array*)** – retinal irradiance (with movement and optical correction)
- ***e_a* (*np.array*)** – local adaptation

Return type

response_ratio

field_response(*vvm*)

receptive field response

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equation (7):

$$R_{RF}(r) = e^{-r^2/(2_c^2)} / (2_c^2) - K * e^{-r^2/(2_s^2)} / (2_s^2)$$

R_{RF} : receptive field response r : distance to receptive field center (degrees) $_c$: gaussian width of center (0.009 (center) - 0.12 (edge FOV) degrees) $_s$: gaussian width of surround $3.5 * _c$ K : DoG balance factor 0.67

Parameters

- ***vvm* (*np.array*)** – response_ratio (saturation)

Returns

linear, difference of gaussians

Return type

response_lin

normalized_field_response(*r*)

normalized non-linear ganglion response

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equation (8): $R_G = 1 / (1 + e^{-a * (R_{lin} - b)})$ R_G : normalized non-linear ganglion response a : slope of logistic = 22 b : 0.25

Parameters

- ***r* (*np.array*)** – response_lin

Returns

logistic

Return type

response_log

gss(*r_g*)

calculate minkowski sum on normalized response

from Vissenberg et al. 2021 equation (9):

(9) $GSS = \sum_i (R_G, i^m \gamma_i)^{(1/m)}$ GSS: glare sensation score m : minkowski norm (4) delta (): solid angle of pixel (steradians)

Notes

fit on guth data using $BCD = 2843.58 * e^{(x + 1.5 * x^2)} / 179$ with a 2.12 degree source and 34.26 cd/m² background:

```
numpy.polynomial.Polynomial.fit(ecc, fac, 7, window=[0, 1],
                                 domain=[.009, 0.12])
# where x = eccentricity (.009 - .12 from 0 to 55 degree vertical
# angle and y = 1/unweighted GSS
```

results:

```
33.12797281707965 + 2.2872877726594725·x1 - 104.61419835147568·x2 -
275.45010218009116·x3 + 1587.8255352939432·x4 -
2570.6813747583033·x5 + 1837.1741161137818·x6 - 499.8491902780004·x7
```

3.13 raytraverse.craytraverse

3.14 raytraverse.io

functions for reading and writing

`raytraverse.io.get_nproc(nproc=None)`

`raytraverse.io.set_nproc(nproc)`

`raytraverse.io.unset_nproc()`

`raytraverse.io.np2bytes(ar, dtype='<f'`)

format ar as bytestring

Parameters

- **ar** (`np.array`) –
- **dtype** (`str`) – argument to pass to `np.dtype()`

Return type

bytes

`raytraverse.io.np2bytefile(ar, outf, dtype='<f', mode='wb')`

save vectors to file

Parameters

- **ar** (`np.array`) – array to write
- **outf** (`str`) – file to write to
- **dtype** (`str`) – argument to pass to `np.dtype()`

`raytraverse.io.bytes2np(buf, shape, dtype='<f')`

read ar from bytestring

Parameters

- **buf** (`bytes, str`) –
- **shape** (`tuple`) – array shape
- **dtype** (`str`) – argument to pass to `np.dtype()`

Return type

`np.array`

`raytraverse.io.bytefile2np(f, shape, dtype='<f')`

read binary data from f

Parameters

- **f** (*IOLBase*) – file object to read array from
- **shape** (*tuple*) – array shape
- **dtype** (*str*) – argument to pass to np.dtype()

Returns

necessary for reconstruction

Return type

ar.shape

`raytraverse.io.version_header()`

generate image header string

`raytraverse.io.array2hdr(ar, imgf, header=None)`

write 2d np.array (x,y) to hdr image format

Parameters

- **ar** (*np.array*) – image array
- **imgf** (*str*) – file path to right
- **header** (*list*) – list of header lines to append to image header

Return type

imgf

`raytraverse.io.carray2hdr(ar, imgf, header=None)`

write color channel np.array (3, x, y) to hdr image format

Parameters

- **ar** (*np.array*) – image array
- **imgf** (*str*) – file path to right
- **header** (*list*) – list of header lines to append to image header

Return type

imgf

`raytraverse.io.hdr2array(imgf, stdin=None)`

read np.array from hdr image

Parameters

- **imgf** (*file path of image*) –
- **stdin** – passed to Popen (imgf should be "")

Returns

ar

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.io.hdr2carray(imgf, stdin=None)`

read np.array from color hdr image

Parameters

- **imgf** (*file path of image*) –
- **stdin** – passed to Popen (imgf should be "")

Returns
`ar`

Return type
`np.array`

`raytraverse.io.rgb2rad(rgb, vlambda=(0.265, 0.67, 0.065))`

`raytraverse.io.rgb2lum(rgb, vlambda=(0.265, 0.67, 0.065))`

`raytraverse.io.rgbe2lum(rgbe)`
convert from Radiance hdr rgbe 4-byte data format to floating point luminance.

Parameters
`rgbe (np.array)` – r,g,b,e unsigned integers according to: <http://radsite.lbl.gov/radiance/refer/filefmts.pdf>

Returns
`lum`

Return type
luminance in cd/m²

`raytraverse.io.load_txt(farray, **kwargs)`
consistent error handing of np.loadtxt

Parameters

- `farray (any)` – candidate to load
- `kwargs` – passed to np.loadtxt

Return type
`np.array`

Raises

- `ValueError`: – file exists, but is not loadable
- `FileNotFoundException`: – farray is str, but file does not exist
- `TypeError`: – farray is not str or bytes.

3.15 raytraverse.translate

functions for translating between coordinate spaces and resolutions

`raytraverse.translate.norm(v)`
normalize 2D array of vectors along last dimension

`raytraverse.translate.norm1(v)`
normalize flat vector

`raytraverse.translate.uv2xy(uv)`
translate from unit square (0,1),(0,1) to disk (x,y) <http://psgraphics.blogspot.com/2011/01/improved-code-for-concentric-map.html>.

`raytraverse.translate.uv2xyz(uv, axes=(0, 1, 2), xsign=1)`
translate from 2 x unit square (0,2),(0,1) to unit sphere (x,y,z) <http://psgraphics.blogspot.com/2011/01/improved-code-for-concentric-map.html>.

`raytraverse.translate.xyz2uv(xyz, normalize=False, axes=(0, 1, 2), flipu=False)`
translate from vector x,y,z (normalized) to u,v (0,2),(0,1) Shirley, Peter, and Kenneth Chiu. A Low Distortion Map Between Disk and Square. Journal of Graphics Tools, vol. 2, no. 3, Jan. 1997, pp. 45-52. Taylor and Francis+NEJM, doi:10.1080/10867651.1997.10487479.

`raytraverse.translate.xyz2skybin(xyz, side, tol=0, normalize=False)`

`raytraverse.translate.skybin2xyz(bn, side)`

generate source vectors from sky bins

Parameters

- **bn** (*np.array*) – bin numbers
- **side** (*int*) – square side of discretization

Returns

`xyz` – direction to center of sky patches

Return type

np.array

`raytraverse.translate.xyz2xy(xyz, axes=(0, 1, 2), flip=False)`

xyz coordinates to xy mapping of angular fisheye projection

`raytraverse.translate.tpnorm(thetaphi)`

normalize angular vector to 0-pi, 0-2pi

`raytraverse.translate.tp2xyz(thetaphi, normalize=True)`

calculate x,y,z vector from theta (0-pi) and phi (0-2pi) RHS Z-up

`raytraverse.translate.xyz2tp(xyz)`

calculate theta (0-pi), phi from x,y,z RHS Z-up

`raytraverse.translate.tp2uv(thetaphi)`

calculate UV from theta (0-pi), phi

`raytraverse.translate.uv2tp(uv)`

calculate theta (0-pi), phi from UV

`raytraverse.translate.aa2xyz(aa)`

calculate altitude (0-90), azimuth (-180,180) from xyz

`raytraverse.translate.xyz2aa(xyz)`

calculate xyz from altitude (0-90), azimuth (-180,180)

`raytraverse.translate.chord2theta(c)`

compute angle from chord on unit circle

Parameters

- **c** (*float*) – chord or euclidean distance between normalized direction vectors

Returns

`theta` – angle captured by chord

Return type

float

`raytraverse.translate.theta2chord(theta)`

compute chord length on unit sphere from angle

Parameters

- **theta** (*float*) – angle

Returns

`c` – chord or euclidean distance between normalized direction vectors

Return type

float

```
raytraverse.translate.ctheta(a, b)
    cos(theta) (dot product) between a and b
raytraverse.translate.radians(a, b)
    angle in radians between a and b
raytraverse.translate.degrees(a, b)
    angle in degrees between a and b
raytraverse.translate.uv2ij(uv, side, aspect=2)
raytraverse.translate.uv2bin(uv, side)
raytraverse.translate.bin2uv(bn, side, offset=0.5)
raytraverse.translate.resample(samps, ts=None, gauss=True, radius=None)
    simple array resampling. requires whole number multiple scaling.
```

Parameters

- **samps** (`np.array`) – array to resample along each axis
- **ts** (`tuple, optional`) – shape of output array, should be multiple of samps.shape
- **gauss** (`bool, optional`) – apply gaussian filter to upsampling
- **radius** (`float, optional`) – when gauss is True, filter radius, default is the scale ratio - 1

Returns

to resampled array

Return type

`np.array`

```
raytraverse.translate.rmtx_elem(theta, axis=2, degrees=True)
```

```
raytraverse.translate.rotate_elem(v, theta, axis=2, degrees=True)
```

```
raytraverse.translate.rmtx_yp(v)
```

generate a pair of rotation matrices to transform from vector v to z, enforcing a z-up in the source space and a y-up in the destination. If v is z, returns pair of identity matrices, if v is -z returns pair of 180 degree rotation matrices.

Parameters

v (*array-like of size (N, 3)*) – the vector direction representing the starting coordinate space

Returns

ymtx, pmtx – two rotation matrices to be premultiplied in order to reverse transform, swap order and transpose.

Return type

`(np.array, np.array)`

Notes

if N is one: Forward: `(pmtx @ (ymtx @ xyz.T)).T` or `np.einsum("ij,kj,li->kl", ymtx, xyz, pmtx)`
Backward: `(ymtx.T @ (pmtx.T @ xyz.T)).T` or `np.einsum("ji,kj,il-kl", pmtx, nv, ymtx)` else: Forward: `np.einsum("vij,vkj,vli->vkl", ymtx, xyz, pmtx)` Backward: `np.einsum("vji,vkj,vil-vkl", pmtx, nv, ymtx)`

`raytraverse.translate.cull_vectors(vecs, tol)`

return mask to cull duplicate vectors within tolerance

Parameters

- `vecs (Union[cKDTree, np.array])` – prebuilt KDTree or np.array to build a new one. culling keeps first vector in array used to build tree.
- `tol (float)` – tolerance for culling

Returns

boolean mask of vecs (or vecs.data) to cull vectors

Return type

`np.array`

`raytraverse.translate.reflect(ray, normal, returnmasked=False)`

`raytraverse.translate.simple_take(ar, *slices, axes=None)`

consistent array indexing with arrays, lists, tuples and slices

Parameters

- `ar (np.array)` – the multidimensional arary to index
- `slices (tuple)` – if sequence, takes those indices along axis, if None, take whole dimension, if slice, applies to index array before take
- `axes (Union[Sequence, int], optional)` – when None, slices are automatically taken starting on axes 0. Use this argument to only operate on a subset of dimensions.

Returns

matches ndims of ar

Return type

`np.array`

`raytraverse.translate.calc_omega(vecs, pm)`

calculate area

3.16 raytraverse.utility

`raytraverse.utility.utility.pool_call(func, args, *fixed_args, cap=None, expandarg=True, desc='processing', workers=True, pbar=True, **kwargs)`

calls func for a sequence of arguments using a ProcessPool executor and a progress bar. result is equivalent to:

```
result = []
for arg in args:
    result.append(func(*args, *fixed_args, **kwargs))
return result
```

Parameters

- `func (callable)` – the function to execute in parallel

- **args** (*Sequence[Sequence]*) – list of arguments (each item is expanded with ‘*’ unless expandarg is false). first N args of func
- **fixed_args** (*Sequence*) – arguments passed to func that are the same for all calls (next N arguments after args)
- **cap** (*int, optional*) – execution cap for ProcessPool
- **expandarg** (*bool, optional*) – expand args with ‘*’ when calling func
- **desc** (*str, optional*) – label for progress bar
- **kwparams** – additional keyword arguments passed to func

Return type

sequence of results from func (order preserved)

3.16.1 imagetools

functions for translating from mappers to hdr

```
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.hdr_uv2ang(imgf, useview=None)
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.hdr_ang2uv(imgf, useview=True)
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.uvarray2hdr(uvarray, imgf, header=None)
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.hdr2uvarray(imgf, vm=None, res=None)
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.hdr2vol(imgf, vm=None)
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.vf_to_vm(view)
    view file to ViewMapper
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.hdr2vm(imgf, vpt=False)
    hdr to ViewMapper
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.normalize_peak(v, o, l, scale=179, peaka=6.7967e-05,
                                             peakt=100000.0, peakr=4, blursun=False)
```

consolidate the brightest pixels represented by v, o, l up into a single source, correcting the area while maintaining equal energy

Parameters

- **v** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3), direction vectors of pixels (x, y, z) normalized
- **o** (*np.array*) – shape (N,), solid angles of pixels (steradians)
- **l** (*np.array*) – shape (N,), luminance of pixels
- **scale** (*Union[float, int], optional*) – scale factor for l to convert to cd/m^2, default assumes radiance units
- **peaka** (*float, optional*) – area to aggregate to
- **peakt** (*Union[float, int], optional*) – lower threshold for possible bright pixels
- **peakr** (*Union[float, int], optional*) – ratio, from peak pixel value to lowest value to include when aggregating partially visible sun.
- **blursun** (*bool, optional*) – whether to correct area and luminance according to human PSF

Returns

- **v** (*np.array*) – shape (N, 3), direction vectors of pixels (x, y, z) normalized
- **o** (*np.array*) – shape (N,), solid angles of pixels (steradians)

- **I** (*np.array*) – shape (N,), luminance of pixels

```
raytraverse.utility.imagetools.imgmetric(imgf, metrics, peakn=False, scale=179, threshold=2000.0,  
lowlight=False, **peakwargs)
```

3.16.2 cli

```
raytraverse.utility.cli.np_load(ctx, param, s)
```

read np array from command line

trys np.load (numpy binary), then np.loadtxt (space seperated txt file) then split row by spaces and columns by commas.

```
raytraverse.utility.cli.np_load_safe(ctx, param, s)
```

```
raytraverse.utility.cli.shared_pull(ctx, lr=None, col=('metric'), ofiles=None, pfILTER=None,  
viewfilter=None, skyfilter=None, imgfilter=None,  
metricfilter=None, skyfill=None, header=True, spd=24,  
rowlabel=True, info=False, gridhdr=False, imgzone=None,  
res=480, **kwargs)
```

used by both raytraverse.cli and raytu, add pull_decs and clk.command_decs as clk.shared_decs in main script so click can properly load options

3.16.3 TStqdm

```
class raytraverse.utility.TStqdm(*_, **__)
```

Bases: tqdm

```
ts_message(s)
```

```
write(s, file=None, end='\n', nolock=False)
```

Print a message via tqdm (without overlap with bars).

```
set_description(desc=None, refresh=True)
```

Set/modify description of the progress bar.

Parameters

- **desc** (*str*, *optional*) –
- **refresh** (*bool*, *optional*) – Forces refresh [default: True].

3.17 raytraverse.api

factory functions for easy api access raytraverse.

```
raytraverse.api.get_config(config, com='raytraverse_')
```

load a config file into a dict

Parameters

- **config** (*str*) – path to .cfg file with sections raytarverse_*
- **com** (*str*) – basename of commands in .cfg file

Returns

result

Return type

dict

```
raytraverse.api.auto_reload(scndir, area, areaname='plan', skydata='skydata', ptres=1.0, rotation=0.0,  
zheight=None)
```

reload associated class instances from file paths

Parameters

- **scndir** (*str*) – matches outdir argument of Scene()
- **area** (*str np.array*) – radiance scene geometry defining a plane to sample, tsv file of points to generate bounding box, or np.array of points.
- **areaname** (*str, optional*) – matches name argument of PlanMapper()
- **skydata** (*str, optional*) – matches name argument of SkyData.write()
- **ptres** (*float, optional*) – resolution for considering points duplicates, border generation (1/2) and add_grid(). updateable
- **rotation** (*float, optional*) – positive Z rotation for point grid alignment
- **zheight** (*float, optional*) – override calculated zheight

Returns

- *Scene*
- *PlanMapper*
- *SkyData*

```
raytraverse.api.load_lp(path, hasparent=True)
```

load a lightpoint from a file

will try to get appropriate scene/zone information from file path but reverts to a lightpoint without correct meta-data if it does not have the appropriate nesting.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – relative path to .ryptp file
- **hasparent** (*bool, optional*) – was sampled within a zone (typical), set to false in the case that the lightpoint file is multiple folders deep from CWD but was not sampled within a zone (meaning you used a samplerpt class, not typical).

Return type

LightPointKD

```
raytraverse.api.get_integrator(scn, pm, srcname='suns', simtype='2comp', sunviewengine=None)
```


4.1 Directional Sampling Overview

(starting at 4:56:25)

4.1.1 Transcript

1. Title Slide

Hello, my name is Stephen Wasilewski and I am presenting some work I have prepared along with my co-authors. Raytraverse is a new method that guides the sampling process of a daylight simulation.

2. The Daylight Simulation Process

To understand how this method can enhance the daylight simulation process, it is useful to view the process by parts.

2.b

The model describes how geometry, materials, and light sources are represented.

2.c

Sampling determines how the analysis dimensions are subdivided into discrete points to simulate.

2.d

These view rays are solved for by a renderer, yielding a radiance or an irradiance value for each view ray.

2.e

This output is evaluated according to some metric or otherwise preparing the data for interpretation.

3. Assumptions

To make a viable workflow, each of these parts require (whether explicitly or implicitly) a number of assumptions that define the limitations and opportunities of the method. To explain this in practical terms, here are three examples of well known climate based modeling methods for visual comfort.

4. CBDM Methods for Visual Comfort: Ev based

Illuminance based methods, including DGPs (simplified Daylight Glare Probability), limit the directional sampling resolution to a single sample per view direction in order to efficiently sample a larger number of positions and sky conditions throughout a space.

Unfortunately: Even if the employed rendering method perfectly captures the true Illuminance, as a model for discomfort glare it fails to account for scenes where the dominant driver of discomfort is contrast based or due to small bright sources in an otherwise dim scene.

5. CBDM Methods for Visual Comfort: 3/5 Phase

The 3-phase and 5-phase methods focus on the model and render steps. These methods fix the implementations of the material and sky models by discretizing the transmitting materials and sky dome in order to replace some steps of the rendering process with a matrix multiplication.

6. CBDM Methods for Visual Comfort: eDGPs

Like the 5-phase method, The enhanced-simplified daylight glare probability method, developed to overcome the limitations of illuminance only metrics, uses separate sampling and rendering assumptions for the indirect contribution and direct view rays. The adaptation level is captured by an illuminance value, but glare sources are identified with an image calculated for direct view ray contributions only.

7. Existing Options For Sampling a Point

In all of these methods, the sampling is treated as a fixed assumption.

7.b

Either directional sampling is directly integrated into an illuminance by the renderer,

7.c

or a high resolution image is generated.

7.d

This is because at intermediate image resolutions the accuracy of the results can be worse than an illuminance sample, and are unreliable for capturing contrast effects due to small sources.

7.e

So unlike sampling positions or timesteps which can be set at arbitrary spacing and easily tuned to the needs of the analysis, directional sampling is much more of an all or nothing choice; where the additional insights offered by an image can require 1 million times more data than a point sample. But is this really necessary?

7.f

Whether through direct image interpretation or any of the commonly used glare metrics, the critical information embedded in an HDR image is usually simplified to a small set of sources and background, each with a size, direction and intensity. We cannot directly sample this small set of rays because we do not know these important directions ahead of time, but how close can we get?

7.g

The raytraverse method provides a means to bridge the gap between point samples and high resolution images, allowing for a tunable tradeoff between simulation time and accuracy.

Our approach is structured by a wavelet space representation of the directional sampling. It works by applying a set of filters to an image to locate these important details.

8. Wavelet Decomposition

To match our sampling space, we apply these filters to a square image space based on the Shirley-Chiu disk to square transform, which preserves adjacency and area, both necessary for locating true details.

8.b

For each level of the decomposition, The high pass filters, applied across each axis (vertical, horizontal, and in combination) isolate the detail in the image, and the low pass filter performs an averaging yielding an image of half the size. This process is repeated, applying the high pass filters to the approximation, down to some base resolution. Each level of the decomposition stores the relative change in intensity at a particular resolution (or frequency).

8.c

The total size of the output arrays is the same as the original, and can be used to perfectly recover the original signal through the inverse transform.

The benefit to compression comes from the fact that the magnitude of the detail coefficients effectively rank the data in terms of their contribution to the reconstruction. By thresholding the coefficients, less important data can be discarded.

8.d

Even after discarding over 99% of the wavelet coefficients, the main image details are recoverable and only some minor artifacts have been introduced.

This property, that the wavelet coefficients rank the importance of samples at given resolutions, makes detail coefficients useful for guiding the sampling of view rays from a point.

9. Reconstruction Through Sampling

This process works as follows:

Beginning with a low resolution initial sampling the large scale features of the scene are captured.

Mimicking the wavelet transform, We apply a set of filters to this estimate and then use the resulting detail coefficients both to find an appropriate number of samples, and as probability distribution for the direction of these samples.

The new sample results returned by the renderer are used to update the estimate, which is lifted to a higher resolution.

This process is repeated up to a maximum resolution, equivalent to (or higher than) what a full resolution image might be rendered at.

10. Component Sampling

There are some cases where the wavelet based sampling will not find important details, such as specular views and reflections of the direct sun. Fortunately, because our method uses sky-patch coefficients to efficiently capture arbitrary sky conditions (similar to 3 phase and others), we can structure the simulation process in such a way to compensate for these misses. I refer you to our paper for details on how this works.

11. Results

Instead, I'll spend my remaining time sharing a few examples of scenes captured with: our approach, a high resolution reference and a matching uniform resolution image to demonstrate the benefits of variable sampling.

In addition to image reconstructions, the relative deviation from the reference is shown for vertical illuminance (characterizing energy conservation) and UGR (Unified Glare Rating, characterizing contrast), relative errors greater than 10% are highlighted in red.

This very glary scene highlights the different paths that light takes from the sun to the eye, including direct views, rough specular and diffuse reflections of the sun and sky. While the deviation in the low resolution image is unlikely to change a prediction in this case, the large errors show a failure case for uniform low-res sampling.

11.b

A more complex, but also more likely scenario is that roller shades will be closed. While there are open questions on how to evaluate the specular transmission of such materials, raytraverse does not introduce any substantial new errors to this process.

11.c

Raytraverse performs similarly well for partially open venetian blinds.

11.d Including deeper in a space where the floor reflection dominates.

11.e

Raytraverse, without virtual sources or other rendering tricks, handles the case of specular reflections of the direct sun, a difficult problem for low resolution sampling.

11.f

One case that we would expect raytraverse to struggle with would be a high frequency pattern like the dot frit shown here. And while the sampling does miss parts of the pattern, especially the lower contrast areas, enough of the detail is caught to meaningfully understand the image and, because of the direct sun view sampling, maintains high accuracy.

11.g

In cases where more image fidelity is desired, raytraverse can be tuned to increase the sampling rate with a proportional increase in simulation time, but in our paper we show that the low sampling rates previously shown achieve a high level of accuracy for field of view metrics.

12. Thank you

Thank you for watching my presentation.

4.2 History

4.2.1 1.3.10 (2022-12-20)

- parallelize sensorintegrator matrix multiplication
- include interpolated/represented area in zonallightresult.rebase() output
- fix scikit-learn in requirements.txt/setup.py
- add random patch color view to lightpointkd.direct_view() for diagrams

4.2.2 1.3.9 (2022-12-08)

- improvements to more easily load lightpoints directly from files without context
- api.load_config for better compatibility between scripting/CLI
- change eccentricity model in hvsgsm
- fix bug in autorotate in planmapper when result should be 0 or 90

4.2.3 1.3.8 (2022-11-04)

- 0 variance bug in image interpolation
- added boundaries to LightResults
- accept dew_point in tsv format to skydata
- output skydata with dewpoint using skydata_dew
- pull gridhdr no longer needs zone if it is embedded in LightResult

4.2.4 1.3.7 (2022-10-26)

- updated response fit in hsvgm
- resolution option for pull 2 hdr cli
- modules directly available from import raytraverse
- ensure parameters set correctly so sun is always resampled in 1compdv
- bug in integrator log showing too many chunks
- rebase method added to basic LightResult
- rewrote lightpoint image interpolation
- SrcSamplerPt no longer uses accuracy, instead, set t0, at t1 with physical units
- t0 and t1 now instance properties (settable from init)
- added direct view options to raytu lp2img (warning, non-fisheye color throws error)
- preserve -ss in direct view sampling

- clean up srcview sampling (always distant) and fix double counting image when rough specular gets resamples
- new factoring with craytraverse / renderer inheritance fixes rcontribution reset

4.2.5 1.3.6 (2022-07-28)

- add scale to sensor integrator for proper unit conversion (lux by default)
- parallel processing in zonallightresult.pull2hdr
- add lightresult.pull2planhdr to match signature of zonallightresult
- add zonallightresult.rebase to make standard lightresult from zonal
- fixed bug in sunsplanekd.query_by_sun that returned all points, not just best matches
- added index() function to resultaxis
- bug fixes in sensorintegrator, needed additional function overrides and index broadcasting
- avoid IndexError at the end of skydata.maskindices
- add lightresult.merge (and cli interface with raytu merge) for combining LightResults
- change chunking of large calls to evaluate for better performance and the save intermediate results
- pass jitterrate to MaskedPlanMapper constructor
- rewrote RadianceFormatter.get_scene() parser, not based on file extensions
- bug in SamplerArea when operating with MaskedPlanMapper, possible to have no samples, leading to IndexError, fixed at self._mask initialization so atleast one cell is True.
- added gss to raytu imgmetric (no options yet, uses standard observer)

4.2.6 1.3.5 (2022-07-05)

- better memory management in zonal sensorintegrator
- plot each weight in srccsamplerpt when using detail/color
- slight reorganization in Integrator to accommodate sensorintegrator changes
- fixed bug in pull with -skyfilter but no -skyfill
- allow skydata write without scene
- change default sunrun parameter to -ab 0
- updated installation instructions and Dockerfiles to include radiance installation
- added adpatch for better control over default args in Rcontribution
- 2x speedup in translate.calc_omega by checking for containment before intersection left commented code for pygeos method, but it is slower without better way to read in voronoi (creation with pygeos only uses small fraction of points).
- formatting change in CLI docstrings to avoid error with latest docutils

4.2.7 1.3.4 (2022-06-21)

- do not use srcview for local light sources, include atleast 1 level of clean-up
- make sure kd tree is rebuilt when lucky squirrel
- ambient file handling in rtrace
- better memory management in reflection_search (still a problem?)
- new example config with proper settings
- with minsamp > 0 make sure from_pdf returns something so sampling can complete

4.2.8 1.3.3 (2022-06-07)

- static light source sampler, directly samples electric lights at appropriate level, will use lots of extra samples with very long thin fixtures
- color support in lightPointKD and samplers, but for now only works with imagesampler and sourcesampler because need to update skydata to work with color (and handle mixed data)
- use scene detail in sampler (in this case image reconstruction works better WITHOUT scene detail, new interpolation keywords fastc and highe for context interpolation)
- consolidated integrator/zonalintegrator and special methods dv/ds into one class
- changed zonal sunplane query algorithm: filter suns, penalize, query instead of filter suns, sort, filter points
- removed ptfilter keyword for zonal evaluation (new process does not use)
- sunplane normalization based on level 0 distance of sampled suns and level 0 distance of areas for level 0 sampled suns
- SensorIntegrator to process sensorplane results
- manage stranded open OS file descriptors
- wait to calculate omega on demand in lightplaneKD
- removed img2lf in imagetools, creates circular reference, need to add to different module
- allow None vector argument for lightplane initialization (constructs filename)
- zero pad hour labels in lightresult for proper file name sorting
- calc_omega method now passes “QJ” to qhull which seems to reliable return regions for all points in case of failure, distributed area among points sharing region (moved from integrator.helpers to translate) so LightPointKD can share
- fixed mistakes in GSS implementation and recalibrated

4.2.9 1.3.2 (2022-04-28)

- force ‘fork’ for multiprocessing to ensure radiance state is copied to processes
- restructure radiancerenderers - not singleton, just a stateful class, pickleable with get/set state
- dummy skydatamask class useful for initializing with lightresult axes to handle fill
- value_array method added to ResultAxis for easier syntax
- settable sigma_c method in hvsgsm
- make integrator.helpers public for overrides
- supress warnings from radiance during reflection search
- implement ZonalIntegratorDV

4.2.10 1.3.1 (2022-04-19)

- moved craytraverse to separate repository, now a requirement
- implemented glare sensation model, not yet available from CLI

4.2.11 1.3.0 (2022-04-01)

- first version compatible on linux systems
- changed skyres specification to int (defining side) for consistency with other resolution parameters

4.2.12 1.2.8 (2022-03-15)

- include radius around sun and reflections when resampling view. for 3comp, -ss should be 0 for skyengine
- handle stray hits when resampling radius around sun
- new simtype: 1compdv / integratordv

4.2.13 1.2.7 (2022-03-01)

- parametric search radius for specguide in sunsamplerpt
- integratorDS checks whether it is more memory efficient to apply skyvectors before adding points
- fixed double printing of 360 direct_views
- exposd lowlight and threshold parameter access to cli (both imgmetric and evaluate)
- changed to general precision formatting for lightresult printing
- fixed -skyfilter in pull, needs a skydata file to correctly index, otherwise based on array size
- new sampling metric normalizations, can now control logging and pbars with scene parameter

4.2.14 1.2.6 (2022-02-19)

- add hours when available to skydata
- proper masking of 360 images
- integratorDS handles stray roughness from direct patch
- planmapper, z set to median instead of max, added autorotation/alignment
- bugs/features/consistency in LightResult, need better usage documentation
- directviews from cli (only works with sky)

4.2.15 1.2.5 (2022-02-15)

- integrated zonal calcs in cli
- fall back to regular light result when possible (but keep area)
- fixed bugs in LightResult, ZonalLightResult
- added physically based point spread calculation that ~matches gregs gblur script, but using acutal lorentzian from reference
- added blur psf to sources in image evaluation

4.2.16 1.2.4 (2021-12-03) (not posted until 2022-02-10)

- organized command line code
- use process pool for sun sampler when raytracing is fast (such as -ab 0 runs with dcomp)
- propagate plotp to child sampler if sampling one level
- separated utility command line to own entry point. fixed ambiguity in coordinate handedness of some functions (changed kwarg defaults)

4.2.17 1.2.3 (2021-09-03)

- fixed rcontrib to work with Radiance/HEAD, radiance version string includes commit
- daylightplane - add indirect to -ab 0 sun run (daysim/5-phase style)
- lightpointkd - handle adding points with same sample rays
- sampler - add repeat function to follow an existing sampling scheme
- lightresult - added print function
- scene - remove logging from scene class
- **cli.py**
 - new command imgmetric, extract rays from image and use same metricfuncs
 - new command pull, filter and output 2d data frames from lightresult
 - add printdata option to suns, to see candidates or border
- make TStqdm progress bar class public
- **include PositionIndex calculation in BaseMetricSet**
 - new metrics: logger and position weighted luminance/gcr
- skymapper: filter candidates by positive dirnorm when initialized with epw/wea
- **imagetools: parallel process image metrics, also normalize peak with some assumptions**
- lightresult: accept slices for findices argument
- **sunsamplerpt: at second and third sampling levels supplement sampling with spec_guide at 1/100 the threshold.** helps with interior spaces to find smaller patches of sun
- positionindex: fix bug transcribed from evalglare with the positionindex below horizon

4.2.18 1.2.0/2 (2021-05-24)

- command line interface development

4.2.19 1.1.2 (2021-02-19)

- improved documentation

4.2.20 1.1.0/1 (2021-02-10)

- refactor code to operate on a single point at a time

4.2.21 1.0.4 (2020-11-18)

- create and manage log file (attribute of Scene) for run directories
- possible fix for bug in interpolate_kd resulting in index range errors
- protect imports in cli.py so documentation can be built without installing

4.2.22 1.0.3 (2020-11-10)

- new module for calculating position based on retinal features
- view specifications for directview plotting
- options for samples/weight visibility on directview plotting

4.2.23 0.2.0 (2020-09-25)

- Build now includes all radiance dependencies to setup multi-platform testing
- In the absence of craytraverse, sampler falls back to SPRenderer
- install process streamlined for developer mode
- travis ci deploys linux and mac wheels directly to pypi
- **release.sh should be run after updating this file, tests past locally and docs build.**

4.2.24 0.1.0 (2020-05-19)

- First release on PyPI.

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4.4 Search

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- Raytraverse uses [Radiance](#)
- As well as all packages listed in the requirements.txt file, raytraverse relies heavily on the Python packages [numpy](#), [scipy](#), and for key parts of the implementation.
- C++ bindings, including exposing core radiance functions as methods to the renderer classes are made with [pybind11](#)
- Installation and building from source uses [cmake](#) and [scikit-build](#)
- This package was created with [Cookiecutter](#) and the [audreyr/cookiecutter-pypackage](#) project template.

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