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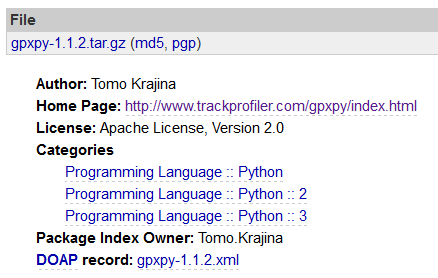
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GPX file parser and GPS track manipulation library



# Homepage (TrackProfiler)

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gpx\_parser.parse()

gpx\_file.close()

gpx = gpx\_parser.get\_gpx()

for track in gpx.tracks:

for segment in track.segments:

for point in segment.points:

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for waypoint in gpx.waypoints:

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# Exploring GPX files

<https://ocefpaf.github.io/python4oceanographers/blog/2014/08/18/gpx/>

This post is an exercise on how to explore GPX files. Most of what I did in this post learned from this [tutorial](http://nbviewer.ipython.org/github/titsworth/hsvpy-runtalk/tree/master/).

Deep down the GPX file format is just a XML document text. They can be parsed with any XML parser out there, but the [gpxpy](http://www.trackprofiler.com/gpxpy/index.html) module makes that task much easier. Here is a quick example on how to load and explore the data inside a GPX file.

## In [2]:

import gpxpy

gpx = gpxpy.parse(open('./data/2014\_08\_05\_farol.gpx'))

print("{} track(s)".format(len(gpx.tracks)))

track = gpx.tracks[0]

print("{} segment(s)".format(len(track.segments)))

segment = track.segments[0]

print("{} point(s)".format(len(segment.points)))

1 track(s)

1 segment(s)

1027 point(s)

Now let's extract the data for all those points. Here I have 1 track and 1 segment, but a GPX file might contain multiple tracks and segments. The best practice here is to always loop through all tracks and segments.

## In [3]:

data = []

segment\_length = segment.length\_3d()

for point\_idx, point in enumerate(segment.points):

data.append([point.longitude, point.latitude,

point.elevation, point.time, segment.get\_speed(point\_idx)])

from pandas import DataFrame

columns = ['Longitude', 'Latitude', 'Altitude', 'Time', 'Speed']

df = DataFrame(data, columns=columns)

df.head()

### Out[3]:

|  | **Longitude** | **Latitude** | **Altitude** | **Time** | **Speed** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **0** | -38.502595 | -13.005390 | 10.9 | 2014-08-05 17:52:49.330 | NaN |
| **1** | -38.502605 | -13.005415 | 11.8 | 2014-08-05 17:52:49.770 | 2.672951 |
| **2** | -38.502575 | -13.005507 | 11.7 | 2014-08-05 17:52:54.730 | 3.059732 |
| **3** | -38.502545 | -13.005595 | 11.6 | 2014-08-05 17:52:57.750 | 4.220779 |
| **4** | -38.502515 | -13.005680 | 11.4 | 2014-08-05 17:53:00.720 | 3.939967 |

I want to plot the direction of the movement with a quiver plot. For that I will need the u and v velocity components. And to compute u and v I need the angle associated to each speed data. Instead of re-inventing the wheel I will use the seawater library sw.dist function to calculate the angles.

I also smoothed the data a little bit to improve the plot. (GPX data from smart-phones can be very noisy.)

## In [4]:

import numpy as np

import seawater as sw

from oceans.ff\_tools import smoo1

\_, angles = sw.dist(df['Latitude'], df['Longitude'])

angles = np.r\_[0, np.deg2rad(angles)]

# Normalize the speed to use as the length of the arrows

r = df['Speed'] / df['Speed'].max()

kw = dict(window\_len=31, window='hanning')

df['u'] = smoo1(r \* np.cos(angles), \*\*kw)

df['v'] = smoo1(r \* np.sin(angles), \*\*kw)

Now let's use [mplleaflet](https://github.com/jwass/mplleaflet) to plot the track and the direction.

## In [5]:

import mplleaflet

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

fig, ax = plt.subplots()

df = df.dropna()

ax.plot(df['Longitude'], df['Latitude'],

color='darkorange', linewidth=5, alpha=0.5)

sub = 10

ax.quiver(df['Longitude'][::sub], df['Latitude'][::sub], df['u'][::sub], df['v'][::sub], color='deepskyblue', alpha=0.8, scale=10)

mplleaflet.display(fig=fig, tiles='esri\_aerial')

### Out[5]:



If you have tons of GPX files with your run data, it might come in handy to define a function to read them all at once.

## In [6]:

import os

from glob import glob

def load\_run\_data(gpx\_path, filter=""):

gpx\_files = glob(os.path.join(gpx\_path, filter + "\*.gpx"))

run\_data = []

for file\_idx, gpx\_file in enumerate(gpx\_files):

gpx = gpxpy.parse(open(gpx\_file, 'r'))

# Loop through tracks

for track\_idx, track in enumerate(gpx.tracks):

track\_name = track.name

track\_time = track.get\_time\_bounds().start\_time

track\_length = track.length\_3d()

track\_duration = track.get\_duration()

track\_speed = track.get\_moving\_data().max\_speed

for seg\_idx, segment in enumerate(track.segments):

segment\_length = segment.length\_3d()

for point\_idx, point in enumerate(segment.points):

run\_data.append([file\_idx, os.path.basename(gpx\_file), track\_idx, track\_name,

track\_time, track\_length, track\_duration, track\_speed,

seg\_idx, segment\_length, point.time, point.latitude,

point.longitude, point.elevation, segment.get\_speed(point\_idx)])

return run\_data

## In [7]:

data = load\_run\_data(gpx\_path='./data/GPX/', filter="")

df = DataFrame(data, columns=['File\_Index', 'File\_Name', 'Index', 'Name',

'Time', 'Length', 'Duration', 'Max\_Speed',

'Segment\_Index', 'Segment\_Length', 'Point\_Time', 'Point\_Latitude',

'Point\_Longitude', 'Point\_Elevation', 'Point\_Speed'])

HTML(df.head().to\_html(max\_cols=4))

### Out[7]:

|  | **File\_Index** | **File\_Name** | **...** | **Point\_Elevation** | **Point\_Speed** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **0** | 0 | 2013\_08\_04\_USP.gpx | ... | 764.0 | NaN |
| **1** | 0 | 2013\_08\_04\_USP.gpx | ... | 767.0 | 1.726115 |
| **2** | 0 | 2013\_08\_04\_USP.gpx | ... | 769.5 | 3.601075 |
| **3** | 0 | 2013\_08\_04\_USP.gpx | ... | 772.0 | 3.540769 |
| **4** | 0 | 2013\_08\_04\_USP.gpx | ... | 774.5 | 3.025701 |

Here I will clean up the DataFrame and convert the distances to km.

## In [8]:

cols = ['File\_Index', 'Time', 'Length', 'Duration', 'Max\_Speed']

tracks = df[cols].copy()

tracks['Length'] /= 1e3

tracks.drop\_duplicates(inplace=True)

tracks.head()

### Out[8]:

|  | **File\_Index** | **Time** | **Length** | **Duration** | **Max\_Speed** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **0** | 0 | 2013-08-04 16:10:00 | 7.562737 | 6481 | 4.473565 |
| **712** | 1 | 2013-04-15 18:05:00 | 6.504129 | 2455 | 6.344318 |
| **877** | 2 | 2013-08-08 17:18:00 | 7.746483 | 2620 | 5.609248 |
| **1477** | 3 | 2013-04-22 17:42:00 | 7.281408 | 2445 | 5.618331 |
| **2192** | 4 | 2013-09-05 16:36:00 | 7.628724 | 4540 | 3.321567 |

And finally let's add a Track Year and Month columns based on track time. That way we can explore the run data with some stats and bar plots.

## In [9]:

tracks['Year'] = tracks['Time'].apply(lambda x: x.year)

tracks['Month'] = tracks['Time'].apply(lambda x: x.month)

tracks\_grouped = tracks.groupby(['Year','Month'])

tracks\_grouped.describe().head()

### Out[9]:

|  |  |  | **Duration** | **File\_Index** | **Length** | **Max\_Speed** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Year** | **Month** |  |  |  |  |  |
| **2013** | **2** | **count** | 2.000000 | 2.000000 | 2.000000 | 2.000000 |
| **mean** | 2924.000000 | 12.000000 | 8.419711 | 4.691473 |
| **std** | 124.450793 | 8.485281 | 0.024573 | 0.740730 |
| **min** | 2836.000000 | 6.000000 | 8.402335 | 4.167698 |
| **25%** | 2880.000000 | 9.000000 | 8.411023 | 4.429585 |

## In [10]:

figsize=(7, 3.5)

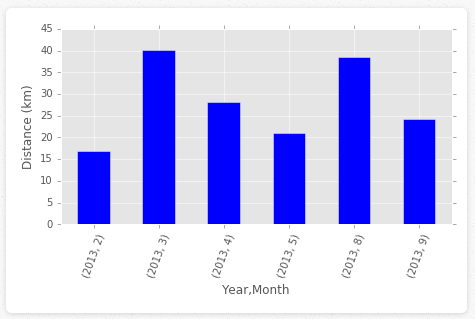
tracks\_grouped = tracks.groupby(['Year', 'Month'])

ax = tracks\_grouped['Length'].sum().plot(kind='bar', figsize=figsize)

xlabels = [text.get\_text() for text in ax.get\_xticklabels()]

ax.set\_xticklabels(xlabels, rotation=70)

\_ = ax.set\_ylabel('Distance (km)')



Bad news! My goal was to run 50 km per month... I am clear way too far from accomplishing it! (Not to mentioned the fact that there is no data from 2014!)

To close this post I want to produce a plot similar to [this](http://flowingdata.com/2014/02/05/where-people-run/) using my run data.

## In [11]:

def load\_run\_data(gpx\_path, filter=""):

gpx\_files = glob(os.path.join(gpx\_path, filter+"\*.gpx"))

run\_data = []

for file\_idx, gpx\_file in enumerate(gpx\_files):

try:

gpx = gpxpy.parse(open(gpx\_file, 'r'))

except:

os.remove(gpx\_file)

continue

run\_data\_tmp = [[file\_idx, gpx\_file, point.latitude,point.longitude, point.elevation]

for track in gpx.tracks

for segment in track.segments

for point in segment.points]

run\_data += run\_data\_tmp

return run\_data

def clear\_frame(ax):

ax.xaxis.set\_visible(False)

ax.yaxis.set\_visible(False)

for spine in ax.spines.values():

spine.set\_visible(False)

def plot\_run\_data(coords, \*\*kwargs):

columns = ['Index', 'File\_Name', 'Latitude', 'Longitude', 'Altitude']

coords\_df = DataFrame(coords, columns=columns)

grouped = coords\_df.groupby('Index')

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=kwargs.get('figsize', (13 ,8)))

bgcolor = kwargs.get('bgcolor', '#001933')

color = kwargs.get('color', '#FFFFFF')

linewidth = kwargs.get('linewidth', .035)

alpha = kwargs.get('alpha', 0.5)

kw = dict(color=color, linewidth=linewidth, alpha=alpha)

for k, group in grouped:

ax.plot(group['Longitude'], group['Latitude'], \*\*kw)

ax.grid(False)

ax.patch.set\_facecolor(bgcolor)

ax.set\_aspect('auto','box','C')

clear\_frame(ax)

fig.subplots\_adjust(left=0, right=1, top=1, bottom=.1)

return ax

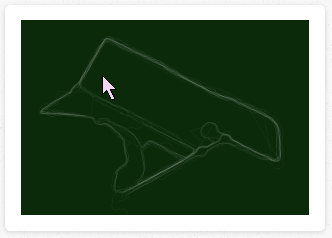
## In [12]:

df = load\_run\_data(gpx\_path='./data/GPX/')

ax = plot\_run\_data(df, figsize=(4, 3), alpha=0.85,

bgcolor='#0A2A0A')

\_ = ax.axis([-46.74, -46.71, -23.57, -23.55])



I tried to find public run data for Salvador to discover the best places to run here using that kind of plot. First I tried [RunKeeper](http://runkeeper.com/), the app does make their public data available online, but it is not a popular app in Brazil and I could not find any tracks for Salvador in the database. [Sportstraker](http://www.sports-tracker.com/), on the other hand, is very popular here. But Sportstraker do not publish the public data online.

If you read this and have some GPX files data from your training and want to see a map of Salvador most popular places to run, get in touch!

## In [13]:

HTML(html)

### Out[13]:

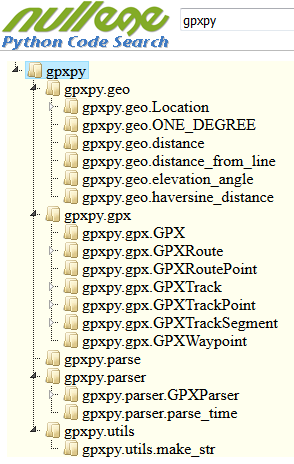
This post was written as an IPython notebook. It is available for [download](https://ocefpaf.github.com/python4oceanographers/downloads/notebooks/2014-08-18-gpx.ipynb) or as a static [html](https://nbviewer.ipython.org/url/ocefpaf.github.com/python4oceanographers/downloads/notebooks/2014-08-18-gpx.ipynb).

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<http://nullege.com/codes/search/gpxpy>



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There is also a Golang port of gpxpy: [gpxgo](http://github.com/tkrajina/gpxgo).

See also [srtm.py](https://github.com/tkrajina/srtm.py) if your track lacks elevation data.

<https://github.com/tkrajina/gpxpy>

## Usage

import gpxpy

import gpxpy.gpx

# Parsing an existing file:

# -------------------------

gpx\_file = open('test\_files/cerknicko-jezero.gpx', 'r')

gpx = gpxpy.parse(gpx\_file)

for track in gpx.tracks:

for segment in track.segments:

for point in segment.points:

print 'Point at ({0},{1}) -> {2}'.format(point.latitude, point.longitude, point.elevation)

for waypoint in gpx.waypoints:

print 'waypoint {0} -> ({1},{2})'.format(waypoint.name, waypoint.latitude, waypoint.longitude)

for route in gpx.routes:

print 'Route:'

for point in route.points:

print 'Point at ({0},{1}) -> {2}'.format(point.latitude, point.longitude, point.elevation)

# There are many more utility methods and functions:

# You can manipulate/add/remove tracks, segments, points, waypoints and routes and

# get the GPX XML file from the resulting object:

print 'GPX:', gpx.to\_xml()

# Creating a new file:

# --------------------

gpx = gpxpy.gpx.GPX()

# Create first track in our GPX:

gpx\_track = gpxpy.gpx.GPXTrack()

gpx.tracks.append(gpx\_track)

# Create first segment in our GPX track:

gpx\_segment = gpxpy.gpx.GPXTrackSegment()

gpx\_track.segments.append(gpx\_segment)

# Create points:

gpx\_segment.points.append(gpxpy.gpx.GPXTrackPoint(2.1234, 5.1234, elevation=1234))

gpx\_segment.points.append(gpxpy.gpx.GPXTrackPoint(2.1235, 5.1235, elevation=1235))

gpx\_segment.points.append(gpxpy.gpx.GPXTrackPoint(2.1236, 5.1236, elevation=1236))

# You can add routes and waypoints, too...

print 'Created GPX:', gpx.to\_xml()

## GPX Version:

gpx.py can parse and generate GPX 1.0 and 1.1 files. Note that the generated file will always be a valid XML document, but it may not be (strictly speaking) a valid GPX document. For example, if you set gpx.email to "my.email AT mail.com" the generated GPX tag won't confirm to the regex pattern. And the file won't be valid. Most applications will ignore such errors, but... Be aware of this!

WARNING: The only part of the GPX standard which is not completely implemented are GPX extensions. The API for GPX extensions will change in future versions!!!

Be aware that the gpxpy object model *is not 100% equivalent* with the underlying GPX XML file schema. That's because the library object model works with both GPX 1.0 and 1.1.

For example, the GPX 1.0 specified a speed attribute for every track point, but that was removed in GPX 1.1. If you parse GPX 1.0 and serialize back with gpx.to\_xml() everything will work fine. But if you have a GPX 1.1 object, changes in the speed attribute will be lost after gpx.to\_xml(). If you want to force using 1.0, you can gpx.to\_xml(version="1.0"). Another possibility is to use extensions to save the speed in GPX 1.1.

## XML parsing

If lxml is available, then it will be used for XML parsing. Otherwise minidom is used. Note that lxml is 2-3 times faster so, if you can choose -- use it :)

The GPX version is automatically determined when parsing by reading the version attribute in the gpx node. If this attribute is not present then the version is assumed to be 1.0. A specific version can be forced by setting the version parameter in the parse function. Possible values for the 'version' parameter are 1.0, 1.1 and None.

## Pull requests

OK, so you found a bug and fixed it. Before sending a pull request -- check that all tests are OK with Python 2.6+ and Python 3+.

Run all tests with:

$ python -m unittest test

$ python3 -m unittest test

Run only minidom parser tests with:

$ python -m unittest test.MinidomTests

$ python3 -m unittest test.MinidomTests

Run only lxml parser tests with:

$ python -m unittest test.LxmlTests

$ python3 -m unittest test.LxmlTests

Run a single test with:

$ python -m unittest test.LxmlTests.test\_method

$ python3 -m unittest test.LxmlTests.test\_method

## GPXInfo

The repository contain a little command line utility to extract basic statistics from a file. Example usage:

$ gpxinfo voznjica.gpx

File: voznjica.gpx

Length 2D: 63.6441229018

Length 3D: 63.8391428454

Moving time: 02:56:03

Stopped time: 00:21:38

Max speed: 14.187909492m/s = 51.0764741713km/h

Total uphill: 1103.1626183m

Total downhill: 1087.7812703m

Started: 2013-06-01 06:46:53

Ended: 2013-06-01 10:23:45

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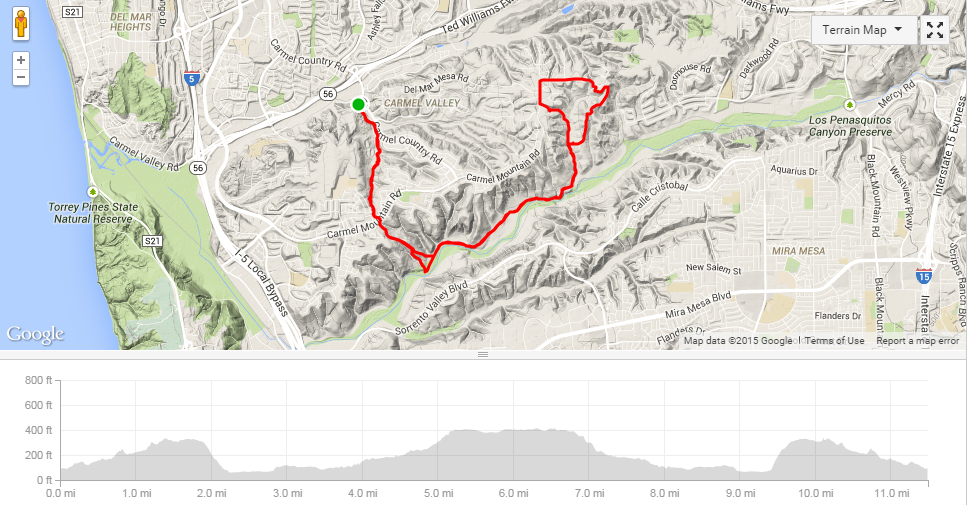
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# Visualizing Strava Tracks with Python

<http://andykee.com/visualizing-strava-tracks-with-python.html>

I love using [Strava](http://www.strava.com) to track of my biking and snowboarding. While I rarely compete with the hoards of people who are much faster than I am (or are using [DigitalEPO](http://www.digitalepo.com/)), I do like to compare my times against my own PR's.

Strava generally does a nice job of allowing you to explore individual activities, but no method exists for simultaneously visualizing multiple activities. I commonly ride the same trails but slightly vary my route. Take the ride below for example: this represents one of perhaps a dozen different rides I've done on this same trail system. It would be nice to visualize where I ride the most and where I ride the least.



Thankfully, Strava makes it really easy to export raw position data from completed activities as GPX files. GPX (GPS Exchange Format) is an XML data format for GPS data. The GPX format is able to describe waypoints, tracks, and routes. Strava uses tracks to store activity position data as follows:

<gpx>

<trk>

<trkseg>

<trkpt lat="DD.ddd" lon="DD.ddd">

<ele>MMM.mm</ele>

<time>YYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS</time>

</trkpt>

...

</trkseg>

</trk>

</gpx>

We'll make use of two Python libraries here: [gpxpy](https://pypi.python.org/pypi/gpxpy/0.8.8) to read GPX files into Python and matplotlib to for plotting figures. First, let's load an activity into Python:

import gpxpy

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

gpx\_file = open('20140918-LPQ-Ride.gpx', 'r')

gpx = gpxpy.parse(gpx\_file)

We can then traverse the GPX data structure to extract position data. In this case, since we're only visualizing the data in 2D, there's no need to pull the elevation data along with each point.

lat = []

lon = []

for track in gpx.tracks:

for segment in track.segments:

for point in segment.points:

lat.append(point.latitude)

lon.append(point.longitude)

Finally, matplotlib allows us to plot the activity:

fig = plt.figure(facecolor = '0.05')

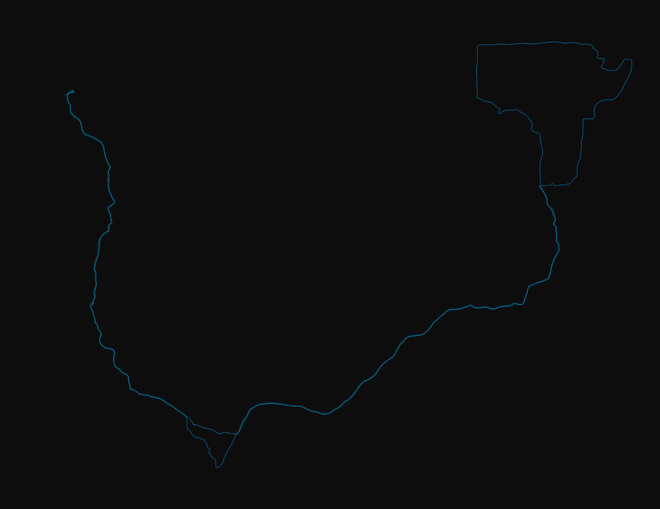
ax = plt.Axes(fig, [0., 0., 1., 1.], )

ax.set\_aspect('equal')

ax.set\_axis\_off()

fig.add\_axes(ax)

plt.plot(lon, lat, color = 'deepskyblue', lw = 0.2, alpha = 0.8)



The resulting plot, unsurprisingly, looks like the track we saw on Strava's web app (above). This little bit of code provides the foundation for exploring and visualizing trail usage trends over time.

With a little more Python code, we can read in a bunch of Strava activities from a directory, plot them together, and save the result to a file:

from os import listdir

from os.path import isfile, join

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

import gpxpy

data\_path = 'lpq'

data = [f for f in listdir(data\_path) if isfile(join(data\_path,f))]

lat = []

lon = []

fig = plt.figure(facecolor = '0.05')

ax = plt.Axes(fig, [0., 0., 1., 1.], )

ax.set\_aspect('equal')

ax.set\_axis\_off()

fig.add\_axes(ax)

for activity in data:

gpx\_filename = join(data\_path,activity)

gpx\_file = open(gpx\_filename, 'r')

gpx = gpxpy.parse(gpx\_file)

for track in gpx.tracks:

for segment in track.segments:

for point in segment.points:

lat.append(point.latitude)

lon.append(point.longitude)

plt.plot(lon, lat, color = 'deepskyblue', lw = 0.2, alpha = 0.8)

lat = []

lon = []

filename = data\_path + '.png'

plt.savefig(filename, facecolor = fig.get\_facecolor(), bbox\_inches='tight', pad\_inches=0, dpi=300)



I made a few more for two other trail systems I commonly ride. Next up: visualizing my [Moves](http://www.moves-app.com) data.





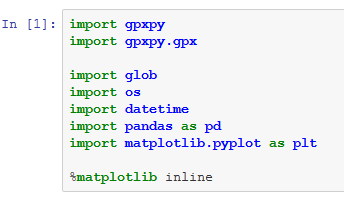
# GPX PY Overview

<http://nbviewer.jupyter.org/github/titsworth/hsvpy-runtalk/blob/master/2%20-%20GPXPy%20Overview.ipynb>

The gpxpy package provides a bunch of great tools for parsing, correcting, and manipulating GPX files. It also has some nice analysis capabilities built into it. You can get a few valuable metrics about your run/bike right out of the box. These include

* Length of a run
* Min and max elevation of a run
* Duration of run
* Max speed

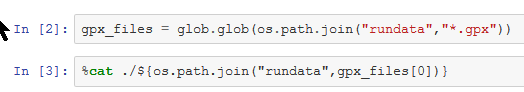
Let's start by importing package of course! We'll also go ahead and import other packages that will be used in this notebook.

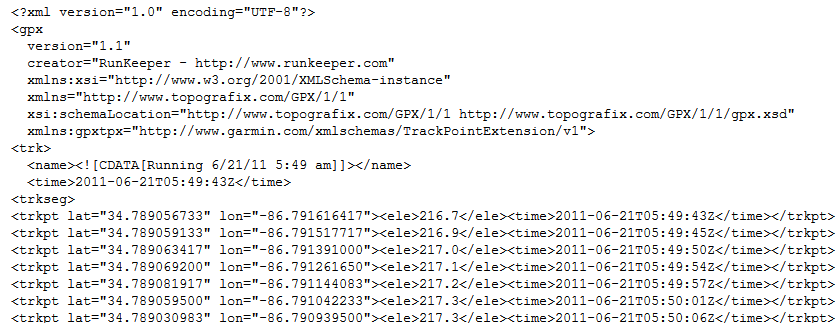


## A Quick Look at the GPX format

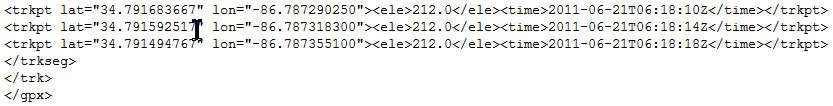
Before we really get started, we shoul probably see what the GPX format is.

Let's load up the first file in our data set and look at it's contents.



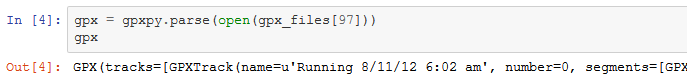


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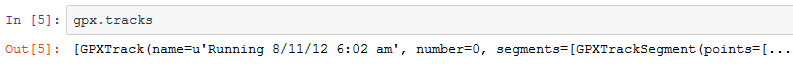


## gpxpy's Representation

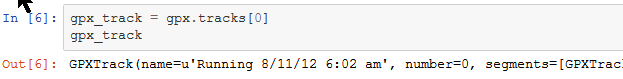
Now let's see what gpxpy does with the data



You can see what functions are available using IPython's tab completion.

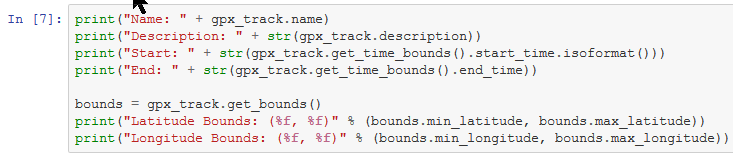


Let's look at the track data



### Track Summary

Some information on this track



Name: Running 8/11/12 6:02 am

Description: None

Start: 2012-08-11T06:02:09

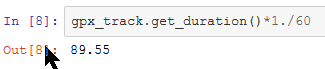
End: 2012-08-11 07:31:42

Latitude Bounds: (34.713744, 34.735524)

Longitude Bounds: (-86.703750, -86.676670)

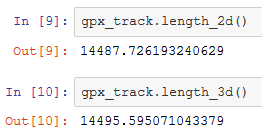
### Run Duration

Duration returned in seconds.



### Run Distance

What wat the length of the run? Length returned in meters. 2d and 3d distance is available.



### Quick Visualization

