

# Module Lar2psm \*

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## Abstract

This software module contains all the functions needed to interface the LAR data structure and/or the geometric objects defined by it with the Plasm environment. In particular, it will include the interfaces towards the visualization primitives provided by the language.

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# 1 Introduction

The standard definition of vectors and matrices in `plasm` is the list of vector coordinates and the list of matrix rows, respectively.

## 2 Implementation

Since the present `lar2psm` module is an interface between the `larcc` library and the PLaSM language, and its various incarnations, it should allow to import the language itself (in Python, the `pyplasm` module). @d Import the `pyplasm` module @from pyplasm import \*

@ An useful utility will allow for the creation of a subdirectory from a `dirpath string`. @d Create directory from path @import os def createDir(dirpath): if not os.path.exists(dirpath): os.makedirs(dirpath) @— createDir @ It may be useful to define the repository(ies) for the unit tests associated to the module: @o test/py/lar2psm-tests.py @@i Create directory from path @i, createDir('test/py/lar2psm/') @

### 2.1 Convex combination

Next we define the `CCOMB` function that accepts as input a `vectors` list (i.e., a matrix) and returns *the* point their convex combination. @d Compute the convex combination of a list of vectors @import scipy as sp from pyplasm import \* def CCOMB(vectors): return (sp.array(VECTSUM(vectors)) / float(len(vectors))).tolist() @— CCOMB @

**Unit tests** First we test `CCOMB` with some special data, then with some random vectors. @o test/py/lar2psm/test-ccomb.py @@i Import the module @(lar2psm@) @i from lar2psm import \* @i CCOMB unit tests @i @

### 2.2 LAR model of a cell complex

A very important concept introduced by the LAR package is the definition of the *model* of a cell complex, as a pair made by a list of vertices, given as lists of coordinates, and a topological relation.

**Definition 1** (LAR model). *A LAR model is a pair, e.g. a Python tuple (V, FV), where:*

1. *V is the list of vertices, given as lists of coordinates;*
2. *FV is a cell-vertex relation, in this case the face-vertex relation, given as a list of cells, where each cell is given as a list of vertex indices.*

**Examples** Some very simple examples of 0D, 1D, and 2D models follows. They are displayed in Figure 1. @d 2D model examples @V = [[0.,0.],[1.,0.],[0.,1.],[1.,1.],[0.5,0.5]] VV = [[0],[1],[2],[3],[4]] EV = [[0,1],[0,2],[0,4],[1,3],[1,4],[2,3],[2,4],[3,4]] FV = [[0,1,4],[1,3,4],[2,3,4],[0,2,4]] model0d, model1d, model2d = (V,VV), (V,EV), (V,FV) @

## 2.3 Function MKPOL

The function **MKPOL** returns a list of HPC objects, i.e. the geometric type of the PLaSM language. This list is generated to be displayed, possibly exploded, by the **pyplasm** viewer.

Each cell **f** in the model (i.e. each vertex list in the **FV** array of the previous example) is mapped into a polyhedral cell by the **pyplasm** operator **MKPOL**. The vertex indices are mapped from base 0 (the Python and C standard) to base 1 (the Plasm, Matlab, and FORTRAN standard). @d MaKe a list of HPC objects from a LAR model @def MKPOL (model): V, FV = model pols = [MKPOL([V[v] for v in f],[range(1,len(f)+1)], None)] for f in FV] return pols @— MKPOL @

**Unit tests** Some simple 3D, 2D, 1D and 0D models are generated and visualised exploded by the file @o test/py/lar2psm/test-models.py @@i Import the module @(lar2psm@) @i; @i View model examples @i; @

## 2.4 “Explosion” of the scene

A function **EXPLODE** used to “explode” an HPC scene defined as a *list* of HPC values, given three real scaling parameters, **sx,sy,sz**, that are used to transform the position of the centroid of each HPC cell. HPC stands for *HierarchicaL Polyhedral Complex*, the type of plasm geometric values. Of course the assertion

$$sx, sy, sz \geq 1.0$$

must be true, otherways the function would induce some compenetration of the cells of the scene.

@d Explode the scene using **sx,sy,sz** scaling parameters @def EXPLODE (sx,sy,sz): def explode0 (scene): centers = [CCOMB(S1(UKPOL(obj))) for obj in scene] scalings = len(centers) \* [S([1,2,3])([sx,sy,sz])] scaledCenters = [UK(APPLY(pair)) for pair in zip(scalings, [MK(p) for p in centers])] translVectors = [ VECTDIFF((p,q)) for (p,q) in zip(scaledCenters, centers) ] translations = [ T([1,2,3])(v) for v in translVectors ] return STRUCT([ t(obj) for (t,obj) in zip(translations,scene) ]) return explode0 @— EXPLODE @

The **EXPLODE** function is second order: it first application (to the scaling parameters) returns a partial function to be applied to the **scene**, given as a *list* of HPC (Hierarchical Polyhedral Complex) objects. **EXPLODE** is dimension-independent, since it can be applied to points, edges, faces, 3D cells, and even to geometric values of mixed dimensionality (see Figure 1).

It works by computing the centroid of each object, and by applying to each of them a translation equal to the difference between the scaled and the initial positions of its centroid. `EXPLODE` returns a single HPC object (the assembly of input objects, properly translated)

### 3 Source Output: `lar2psm` module

#### 3.1 Importing a generic module

First we define a parametric macro to allow the importing of `larcc` modules from the project repository `lib/py/`. When the user needs to import some project's module, she may call this macro as done in Section 3.2. `@d` Import the module `@import sys sys.path.insert(0, 'lib/py/') import @1 @`

**Importing a module** A function used to import a generic `larcc` module within the current environment is also useful. `@d` Function to import a generic module `@def importModule(moduleName): @i Import the module @(moduleName@) @i @— importModule @`

#### 3.2 `Lar2psm` exporting

Here we assemble top-down the `lar2psm` module, by orderly listing the functional parts it is composed of. Of course, this one is the module version corresponding to the current state of the system, i.e. to a very initial state. Other functions will be added when needed. `@O lib/py/lar2psm.py @"""Module with functions needed to interface LAR with pyplasm""" @i Import the module @(smplx@) @i @i Function to import a generic module @i @i Compute the convex combination of a list of vectors @i @i MaKe a list of HPC objects from a LAR model @i @i Explode the scene using sx,sy,sz scaling parameters @i @`

## 4 Unit tests

#### 4.1 Creation of repository of unit tests

A possible unit test strategy is to create a directory for unit tests associated to each source file in `nuweb`. Therefore we create here a directory in `test/py/` with the same name of the present document. Of course other

`@d create directory and echo of creation @@i Create directory from path @i @createDir('@1') print "'@1' repository created" @`

`@o test/py/lar2psm/test01.py @@i create directory and echo of creation: @(test/py/lar2psm/@) @i @`

## 4.2 Viewing some simplicial complexes

Let us start producing some images, displayed in Figure 1, of a small simplicial complex and of its skeletons. Notice that the `+` character operates the join of lists (of HPC values).

```
@d View model examples @from lar2psm import * @i 2D model examples @i explode =
EXPLODE(1.5,1.5,1.5) VIEW(explode(MKPOLS(model0d))) VIEW(explode(MKPOLS(model1d)))
VIEW(explode(MKPOLS(model2d))) VIEW(explode(MKPOLS(model2d) + MKPOLS(model1d)
+ MKPOLS(model0d))) @
```

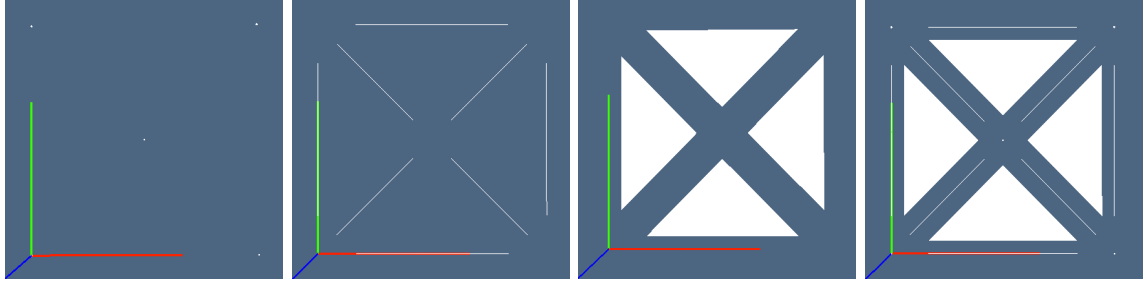


Figure 1: Images of the skeletons of a small simplicial complex.

## 4.3 Testing convex combination of vectors

```
@d CCOMB unit tests @assert( CCOMB([]) == [] ) assert( CCOMB([[0,1]]) == [0.0, 1.0]
) assert( CCOMB([[0,1],[1,0]]) == [0.5, 0.5] ) assert( CCOMB([[1,0,0],[0,1,0],[0,0,1]]) ==
[1./3,1./3,1./3])
import random vects = [[random.random() for i in range(3)] for k in range(4)] assert(
CCOMB([VECTSUM(vects)]) == (sp.array(CCOMB(vects)) * len(vects)).tolist() ) @
```

## References

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