# pyrad library reference for users

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**CHAPTER** 

ONE

#### PROCESSING FLOW CONTROL (PYRAD.FLOW)

Functions to control the Pyrad data processing flow

main(cfgfile[, starttime, endtime, ...]) main flow control. Processes radar data off-line over a period of time

pyrad.flow.main(cfgfile, starttime=None, endtime=None, trajfile='', trajtype='plane', flashnr=0, infostr='')

main flow control. Processes radar data off-line over a period of time given either by the user, a trajectory file, or determined by the last volume processed and the current time. Multiple radars can be processed simultaneously

Parameters cfgfile: str

path of the main config file

starttime, endtime: datetime object

start and end time of the data to be processed

trajfile: str

path to file describing the trajectory

trajtype: str

type of trajectory file. Can be either 'plane' or 'lightning'

flashnr: int

If larger than 0 will select a flash in a lightning trajectory file. If 0 the data corresponding to the trajectory of all flashes will be plotted

infostr: str

Information string about the actual data processing (e.g. 'RUN57'). This string is added to product files.

main flow control. Processes radar data in real time. The start and end processing times can be determined by the user. This function is inteded for a single radar

Parameters cfgfile\_list : list of str

path of the main config files

starttime, endtime : datetime object

start and end time of the data to be processed

infostr\_list : list of str

Information string about the actual data processing (e.g. 'RUN57'). This string is added to product files.

proc\_period : int

period of time before starting a new processing round (seconds)

cronjob\_controlled : Boolean

If True means that the program is started periodically from a cronjob and therefore finishes execution after processing

proc\_finish : int or None

if set to a value the program will be forced to shut down after the value (in seconds) from start time has been exceeded

Returns end\_proc : Boolean

If true the program has ended successfully

**CHAPTER** 

**TWO** 

### DATASET PROCESSING (PYRAD.PROC)

Initiate the dataset processing.

# 2.1 Auxiliary functions

<pre>get_process_func(dataset_type, dsname)</pre>	maps the dataset type into its processing function and data set format
<pre>process_raw(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	dummy function that returns the initial input data set
process_save_radar(procstatus, dscfg[,])	dummy function that allows to save the entire radar object
<pre>process_point_measurement(procstatus, dscfg)</pre>	Obtains the radar data at a point measurement
<pre>process_grid(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Puts the radar data in a regular grid
<pre>process_qvp(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Computes quasi vertical profiles
process_time_height(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Produces time height radar objects at a point of interest de-
	fined by

### 2.2 Echo classification and filtering

<pre>process_echo_id(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	identifies echoes as 0: No data, 1: Noise, 2: Clutter,
<pre>process_echo_filter(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	Masks all echo types that are not of the class specified in
<pre>process_cdf(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Collects the fields necessary to compute the Cumulative
	Distribution
<pre>process_filter_snr(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	filters out low SNR echoes
process_filter_visibility(procstatus, dscfg)	filters out rays gates with low visibility and corrects the
	reflectivity
<pre>process_outlier_filter(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	filters out gates which are outliers respect to the surround-
	ing
process_hydroclass(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Classifies precipitation echoes

# 2.3 Phase processing and attenuation correction

process_correct_phidp0(procstatus, dscfg[,])	corrects phidp of the system phase
process_smooth_phidp_single_window([,	corrects phidp of the system phase and smoothes it using
])	one window
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process_smooth_phidp_double_window([,	corrects phidp of the system phase and smoothes it using
])	one window
process_kdp_leastsquare_single_window([,	Computes specific differential phase using a piecewise
])	least square method
<pre>process_kdp_leastsquare_double_window([,</pre>	Computes specific differential phase using a piecewise
])	least square method
process_phidp_kdp_Vulpiani(procstatus, dscfg)	Computes specific differential phase and differential phase
	using the method developed by Vulpiani et al.
process_phidp_kdp_Kalman(procstatus, dscfg)	Computes specific differential phase and differential phase
	using the Kalman filter as proposed by Schneebeli et al.
process_phidp_kdp_Maesaka(procstatus, dscfg)	Estimates PhiDP and KDP using the method by Maesaka.
process_phidp_kdp_lp(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Estimates PhiDP and KDP using a linear programming al-
	gorithm.
<pre>process_attenuation(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	Computes specific attenuation and specific differential at-
	tenuation using

## 2.4 Monitoring, calibration and noise correction

<pre>process_correct_bias(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	Corrects a bias on the data
process_correct_noise_rhohv(procstatus,	identifies echoes as 0: No data, 1: Noise, 2: Clutter,
dscfg)	
process_rhohv_rain(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Keeps only suitable data to evaluate the 80 percentile of
	RhoHV in rain
process_zdr_precip(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Keeps only suitable data to evaluate the differential reflec-
	tivity in
process_zdr_snow(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])	Keeps only suitable data to evaluate the differential reflec-
	tivity in
process_estimate_phidp0(procstatus, dscfg[,])	estimates the system differential phase offset at each ray
<pre>process_sun_hits(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	monitoring of the radar using sun hits
process_selfconsistency_kdp_phidp([,])	Computes specific differential phase and differential phase
	in rain using
process_selfconsistency_bias(procstatus,	Estimates the reflectivity bias by means of the selfconsis-
dscfg)	tency
<pre>process_monitoring(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	computes monitoring statistics
<pre>process_time_avg(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	computes the temporal mean of a field
<pre>process_weighted_time_avg(procstatus, dscfg)</pre>	computes the temporal mean of a field weighted by the re-
	computes the temporar mean of a nera weighted by the re
	flectivity
<pre>process_time_avg_flag(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	
<pre>process_time_avg_flag(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	flectivity
<pre>process_time_avg_flag(procstatus, dscfg[,]) process_colocated_gates(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	flectivity computes a flag field describing the conditions of the data
	flectivity computes a flag field describing the conditions of the data used while
<pre>process_colocated_gates(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	flectivity computes a flag field describing the conditions of the data used while Find colocated gates within two radars
<pre>process_colocated_gates(procstatus, dscfg[,]) process_intercomp(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	flectivity computes a flag field describing the conditions of the data used while Find colocated gates within two radars intercomparison between two radars

#### 2.5 Retrievals

process_signal_power(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Computes the signal power in dBm
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process_snr(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])	Computes SNR
process_1(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])	Computes L parameter
process_cdr(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])	Computes Circular Depolarization Ratio
<pre>process_rainrate(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Estimates rainfall rate from polarimetric moments
<pre>process_wind_vel(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Estimates the horizontal or vertical component of the wind
	from the
process_windshear(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Estimates the wind shear from the wind velocity

### 2.6 Trajectory functions

<pre>process_trajectory(procstatus, dscfg[,])</pre>	Return trajectory
process_traj_atplane(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Return time series according to trajectory
process_traj_antenna_pattern(procstatus,	Process a new array of data volumes considering a plane
dscfg)	trajectory.

#### 2.7 COSMO data

<pre>process_cosmo(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Gets COSMO data and put it in radar coordinates
<pre>process_cosmo_lookup_table(procstatus, dscfg)</pre>	Gets COSMO data and put it in radar coordinates
process_cosmo_coord(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Gets the COSMO indices corresponding to each cosmo co-
	ordinates
<pre>process_hzt(procstatus, dscfg[, radar_list])</pre>	Gets iso0 degree data in HZT format and put it in radar
	coordinates
<pre>process_hzt_lookup_table(procstatus, dscfg)</pre>	Gets HZT data and put it in radar coordinates
process_hzt_coord(procstatus, dscfg[,])	Gets the HZT indices corresponding to each HZT coordi-
	nates

#### pyrad.proc.get\_process\_func(dataset\_type, dsname)

maps the dataset type into its processing function and data set format

Parameters dataset\_type : str

data set type, i.e. 'RAW', 'SAN', etc.

dsname: str

Name of dataset

**Returns func\_name**: str or function

pyrad function used to process the data set type

dsformat: str

data set format, i.e.: 'VOL', etc.

pyrad.proc.process\_attenuation(procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

Computes specific attenuation and specific differential attenuation using the Z-Phi method and corrects reflectivity and differential reflectivity

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

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data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                    ATT_METHOD [float. Dataset keyword] The attenuation estimation method used.
                      One of the following: ZPhi, Philin
                   fzl [float. Dataset keyword] The default freezing level height. It will be used if no
                      temperature field name is specified or the temperature field is not in the radar object.
                      Default 2000.
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_cdf (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Collects the fields necessary to compute the Cumulative Distribution Function
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
               radar_list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_cdr (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Computes Circular Depolarization Ratio
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The input data type
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                    radar object
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ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_colocated_gates(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Find colocated gates within two radars
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   h_tol [float. Dataset keyword] Tolerance in altitude difference between radar gates [m].
                     Default 100.
                   latlon_tol [float. Dataset keyword] Tolerance in latitude and longitude position be-
                     tween radar gates [deg]. Default 0.0005
                   vol_d_tol [float. Dataset keyword] Tolerance in pulse volume diameter [m]. Default
                      100.
                   vismin [float. Dataset keyword] Minimum visibility [percent]. Default None.
                   hmin [float. Dataset keyword] Minimum altitude [m MSL]. Default None.
                   hmax [float. Dataset keyword] Maximum altitude [m MSL]. Default None.
                   rmin [float. Dataset keyword] Minimum range [m]. Default None.
                   rmax [float. Dataset keyword] Maximum range [m]. Default None.
                   elmin [float. Dataset keyword] Minimum elevation angle [deg]. Default None.
                   elmax [float. Dataset keyword] Maximum elevation angle [deg]. Default None.
                   azrad1min [float. Dataset keyword] Minimum azimuth angle [deg] for radar 1. De-
                     fault None.
                   azrad1max [float. Dataset keyword] Maximum azimuth angle [deg] for radar 1. De-
                     fault None.
                   azrad2min [float. Dataset keyword] Minimum azimuth angle [deg] for radar 2. De-
                     fault None.
                   azrad2max [float. Dataset keyword] Maximum azimuth angle [deg] for radar 2. De-
                     fault None.
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : radar object
                   radar object containing the flag field
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_correct_bias (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Corrects a bias on the data
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**Parameters procstatus:** int

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Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The data type to correct for bias
                    bias [float. Dataset keyword] The bias to be corrected [dB]. Default 0
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_correct_noise_rhohv (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      identifies echoes as 0: No data, 1: Noise, 2: Clutter, 3: Precipitation
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The data types used in the correction
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_correct_phidp0 (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      corrects phidp of the system phase
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                    rmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum range where to look for valid data [m]
                    rmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum range where to look for valid data [m]
                    rcell [float. Dataset keyword] The length of a continuous cell to consider it valid precip
                      [m]
                    Zmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum reflectivity [dBZ]
                    Zmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum reflectivity [dBZ]
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Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_cosmo (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Gets COSMO data and put it in radar coordinates
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] arbitrary data type
                   keep in memory [int. Dataset keyword] if set keeps the COSMO data dict, the
                     COSMO coordinates dict and the COSMO field in radar coordinates in memory
                   regular_grid [int. Dataset keyword] if set it is assume that the radar has a grid constant
                     in time and there is no need to compute a new COSMO field if the COSMO data has
                     not changed
                   cosmo_type [str. Dataset keyword] name of the COSMO field to process. Default
                     TEMP
                   cosmo_variables [list of strings. Dataset keyword] Py-art name of the COSMO fields.
                      Default temperature
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_cosmo_coord (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Gets the COSMO indices corresponding to each cosmo coordinates
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] arbitrary data type
                   cosmopath [string. General keyword] path where to store the look up table
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
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radar\_list : list of Radar objects

Returns new dataset: Radar

```
radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_cosmo_lookup_table (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Gets COSMO data and put it in radar coordinates using look up tables computed or loaded when initializing
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] arbitrary data type
                   lookup_table [int. Dataset keyword] if set a pre-computed look up table for the
                      COSMO coordinates is loaded. Otherwise the look up table is computed taking the
                      first radar object as reference
                   regular_grid [int. Dataset keyword] if set it is assume that the radar has a grid constant
                      in time and therefore there is no need to interpolate the COSMO field in memory to
                      the current radar grid
                   cosmo type [str. Dataset keyword] name of the COSMO field to process. Default
                      TEMP
                   cosmo_variables [list of strings. Dataset keyword] Py-art name of the COSMO fields.
                      Default temperature
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_echo_filter(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Masks all echo types that are not of the class specified in keyword echo_type
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   echo_type [int] The type of echo to keep: 1 noise, 2 clutter, 3 precipitation. Default 3
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                   radar object
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ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_echo_id (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     identifies echoes as 0: No data, 1: Noise, 2: Clutter, 3: Precipitation
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_estimate_phidp0 (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     estimates the system differential phase offset at each ray
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rcell [float. Dataset keyword] The length of a continuous cell to consider it valid precip
                      [m]
                   Zmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum reflectivity [dBZ]
                   Zmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum reflectivity [dBZ]
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_filter_snr(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     filters out low SNR echoes
           Parameters procstatus: int
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Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   SNRmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum SNR to keep the data.
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_filter_visibility(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     filters out rays gates with low visibility and corrects the reflectivity
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   VISmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum visibility to keep the data.
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_grid(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Puts the radar data in a regular grid
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The data type where we want to extract the point
                      measurement
                   gridconfig [dictionary. Dataset keyword] Dictionary containing some or all of this
                      keywords: xmin, xmax, ymin, ymax, zmin, zmax : floats
                        minimum and maximum horizontal distance from grid origin [km] and mini-
                        mum and maximum vertical distance from grid origin [m] Defaults -40, 40, -40,
                        40, 0., 10000.
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hres, vres [floats] horizontal and vertical grid resolution [m] Defaults 1000., 500.

latorig, lonorig, altorig [floats] latitude and longitude of grid origin [deg] and altitude of grid origin [m MSL] Defaults the latitude, longitude and altitude of the radar

wfunc [str] the weighting function used to combine the radar gates close to a grid point. Possible values BARNES, CRESSMAN, NEAREST\_NEIGHBOUR Default NEAREST\_NEIGHBOUR

roif\_func [str] the function used to compute the region of interest. Possible values: dist\_beam, constant

roi [float] the (minimum) radius of the region of interest in m. Default half the largest resolution

radar\_list : list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : dict

dictionary containing the gridded data

ind\_rad : int

radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_hydroclass(procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

Classifies precipitation echoes

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types

**HYDRO\_METHOD** [string. Dataset keyword] The hydrometeor classification method. One of the following: SEMISUPERVISED

**RADARCENTROIDS** [string. Datset keyword] Used with HYDRO\_METHOD SEMISUPERVISED. The name of the radar of which the derived centroids will be used. One of the following: A Albis, L Lema, P Plaine Morte, DX50

radar\_list : list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : Radar

radar object

 $ind\_rad$ : int

radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_hzt (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

Gets iso0 degree data in HZT format and put it in radar coordinates

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

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data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] arbitrary data type
                   keep_in_memory [int. Dataset keyword] if set keeps the COSMO data dict, the
                     COSMO coordinates dict and the COSMO field in radar coordinates in memory
                   regular_grid [int. Dataset keyword] if set it is assume that the radar has a grid constant
                     in time and there is no need to compute a new COSMO field if the COSMO data has
                     not changed
                   cosmo_type [str. Dataset keyword] name of the COSMO field to process. Default
                      TEMP
                   cosmo_variables [list of strings. Dataset keyword] Py-art name of the COSMO fields.
                      Default temperature
               radar_list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_hzt_coord (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Gets the HZT indices corresponding to each HZT coordinates
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] arbitrary data type
                   cosmopath [string. General keyword] path where to store the look up table
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_hzt_lookup_table(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Gets HZT data and put it in radar coordinates using look up tables computed or loaded when initializing
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
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datatype [string. Dataset keyword] arbitrary data type
                    lookup_table [int. Dataset keyword] if set a pre-computed look up table for the
                      COSMO coordinates is loaded. Otherwise the look up table is computed taking the
                      first radar object as reference
                    regular grid [int. Dataset keyword] if set it is assume that the radar has a grid constant
                      in time and therefore there is no need to interpolate the COSMO field in memory to
                      the current radar grid
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_intercomp(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      intercomparison between two radars
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                    coloc_data_dir [string. Dataset keyword] name of the directory containing the csv file
                      with colocated data
                    coloc_radars_name [string. Dataset keyword] string identifying the radar names
                    azi_tol [float. Dataset keyword] azimuth tolerance between the two radars. Default 0.5
                      deg
                    ele_tol [float. Dataset keyword] elevation tolerance between the two radars. Default
                      0.5 \deg
                    rng_tol [float. Dataset keyword] range tolerance between the two radars. Default 50 m
               radar_list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : dict
                    dictionary containing a dictionary with intercomparison data and the key "final" which
                    contains a boolean that is true when all volumes have been processed
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
```

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

pyrad.proc.process\_intercomp\_time\_avg (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

intercomparison between the average reflectivity of two radars

Parameters procstatus: int

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types

coloc\_data\_dir [string. Dataset keyword] name of the directory containing the csv file with colocated data

coloc\_radars\_name [string. Dataset keyword] string identifying the radar names

azi\_tol [float. Dataset keyword] azimuth tolerance between the two radars. Default 0.5
deg

**ele\_tol** [float. Dataset keyword] elevation tolerance between the two radars. Default 0.5 deg

rng\_tol [float. Dataset keyword] range tolerance between the two radars. Default 50 m

clt\_max [int. Dataset keyword] maximum number of samples that can be clutter contaminated. Default 100 i.e. all

phi\_excess\_max [int. Dataset keyword] maximum number of samples that can have excess instantaneous PhiDP. Default 100 i.e. all

non\_rain\_max [int. Dataset keyword] maximum number of samples that can be no rain. Default 100 i.e. all

phi\_avg\_max [float. Dataset keyword] maximum average PhiDP allowed. Default 600 deg i.e. any

radar\_list : list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : dict

dictionary containing a dictionary with intercomparison data and the key "final" which contains a boolean that is true when all volumes have been processed

ind\_rad: int

radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_kdp\_leastsquare\_double\_window (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)
Computes specific differential phase using a piecewise least square method

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types

**rwinds** [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the short segment for the least square method [m]

**rwindl** [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the long segment for the least square method [m]

**Zthr** [float. Dataset keyword] The threshold defining which estimated data to use [dBZ]

radar\_list: list of Radar objects

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Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_kdp_leastsquare_single_window(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Computes specific differential phase using a piecewise least square method
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rwind [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the segment for the least square method
                     [m]
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_1 (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Computes L parameter
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The input data type
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_monitoring(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     computes monitoring statistics
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
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dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   step [float. Dataset keyword] The width of the histogram bin. Default is None. In that
                      case the default step in function get histogram bins is used
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object containing histogram data
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_outlier_filter(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      filters out gates which are outliers respect to the surrounding
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                    threshold [float. Dataset keyword] The distance between the value of the examined
                      range gate and the median of the surrounding gates to consider the gate an outlier
                   nb [int. Dataset keyword] The number of neighbours (to one side) to analyse. i.e. 2
                      would correspond to 24 gates
                   nb_min [int. Dataset keyword] Minimum number of neighbouring gates to consider
                      the examined gate valid
                    percentile_min, percentile_max [float. Dataset keyword] gates below (above) these
                      percentiles (computed over the sweep) are considered potential outliers and further
                      examined
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_phidp_kdp_Kalman (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Computes specific differential phase and differential phase using the Kalman filter as proposed by Schneebeli et
      al. The data is assumed to be clutter free and continous
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
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**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

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datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   parallel [boolean. Dataset keyword] if set use parallel computing
                   get_phidp [boolean. Datset keyword] if set the PhiDP computed by integrating the
                      resultant KDP is added to the radar field
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset: Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_phidp_kdp_Maesaka (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Estimates PhiDP and KDP using the method by Maesaka. This method only retrieves data in rain (i.e. below
     the melting layer)
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rcell [float. Dataset keyword] The length of a continuous cell to consider it valid precip
                      [m]
                   Zmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum reflectivity [dBZ]
                   Zmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum reflectivity [dBZ]
                   fzl [float. Dataset keyword] The freezing level height [m]. Default 2000.
                   ml_thickness [float. Dataset keyword] The melting layer thickness in meters. Default
                      700.
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_phidp_kdp_Vulpiani (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Computes specific differential phase and differential phase using the method developed by Vulpiani et al. The
     data is assumed to be clutter free and monotonous
           Parameters procstatus: int
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data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

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Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rwind [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the segment [m]
                    n iter [int. Dataset keyword] number of iterations
                   interp [boolean. Dataset keyword] if set non valid values are interpolated using neigh-
                      bouring valid values
                   parallel [boolean. Dataset keyword] if set use parallel computing
                    get_phidp [boolean. Datset keyword] if set the PhiDP computed by integrating the
                      resultant KDP is added to the radar field
               radar_list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_phidp_kdp_lp (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Estimates PhiDP and KDP using a linear programming algorithm. This method only retrieves data in rain (i.e.
      below the melting layer)
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   fzl [float. Dataset keyword] The freezing level height [m]. Default 2000.
                    ml_thickness [float. Dataset keyword] The melting layer thickness in meters. Default
                      700.
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_point_measurement (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Obtains the radar data at a point measurement
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
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**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The data type where we want to extract the point measurement

**lation** [boolean. Dataset keyword] if True position is obtained from latitude, longitude information, otherwise position is obtained from antenna coordinates (range, azimuth, elevation).

**truealt** [boolean. Dataset keyword] if True the user input altitude is used to determine the point of interest. if False use the altitude at a given radar elevation ele over the point of interest.

**lon** [float. Dataset keyword] the longitude [deg]. Use when latlon is True.

lat [float. Dataset keyword] the latitude [deg]. Use when latlon is True.

alt [float. Dataset keyword] altitude [m MSL]. Use when latlon is True.

**ele** [float. Dataset keyword] radar elevation [deg]. Use when latlon is False or when latlon is True and truealt is False

azi [float. Dataset keyword] radar azimuth [deg]. Use when latlon is False

rng [float. Dataset keyword] range from radar [m]. Use when latlon is False

**AziTol** [float. Dataset keyword] azimuthal tolerance to determine which radar azimuth to use [deg]

**EleTol** [float. Dataset keyword] elevation tolerance to determine which radar elevation to use [deg]

**RngTol** [float. Dataset keyword] range tolerance to determine which radar bin to use [m]

radar\_list: list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : dict

dictionary containing the data and metadata of the point of interest

ind\_rad: int

radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_qvp (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

Computes quasi vertical profiles

**Parameters procstatus:** int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

**datatype** [string. Dataset keyword] The data type where we want to extract the point measurement

anglenr [int] The sweep number to use. It assumes the radar volume consists on PPI scans

hmax [float] The maximum height to plot [m]. Default 10000.

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hres [float] The height resolution [m]. Default 50
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : dict
                   dictionary containing the QVP and a keyboard stating whether the processing has fin-
                   ished or not.
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_rainrate(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Estimates rainfall rate from polarimetric moments
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The input data type
                   RR_METHOD [string. Dataset keyword] The rainfall rate estimation method. One of
                      the following: Z, ZPoly, KDP, A, ZKDP, ZA, hydro
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_raw (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     dummy function that returns the initial input data set
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_rhohv_rain (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Keeps only suitable data to evaluate the 80 percentile of RhoHV in rain
           Parameters procstatus: int
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datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rmin [float. Dataset keyword] minimum range where to look for rain [m]. Default
                      1000.
                   rmax [float. Dataset keyword] maximum range where to look for rain [m]. Default
                      50000.
                   Zmin [float. Dataset keyword] minimum reflectivity to consider the bin as precipitation
                      [dBZ]. Default 20.
                   Zmax [float. Dataset keyword] maximum reflectivity to consider the bin as precipita-
                      tion [dBZ] Default 40.
                   ml_thickness [float. Dataset keyword] assumed thickness of the melting layer. Default
                      700.
                   fzl [float. Dataset keyword] The default freezing level height. It will be used if no
                      temperature field name is specified or the temperature field is not in the radar object.
                      Default 2000.
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_save_radar(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     dummy function that allows to save the entire radar object
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_selfconsistency_bias (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Estimates the reflectivity bias by means of the selfconsistency algorithm by Gourley
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
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Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

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dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   fzl [float. Dataset keyword] Default freezing level height. Default 2000.
                   rsmooth [float. Dataset keyword] length of the smoothing window [m]. Default 1000.
                   min rhohy [float. Dataset keyword] minimum valid RhoHV. Default 0.92
                   max_phidp [float. Dataset keyword] maximum valid PhiDP [deg]. Default 20.
                   ml_thickness [float. Dataset keyword] Melting layer thickness [m]. Default 700.
                   rcell [float. Dataset keyword] length of continuous precipitation to consider the precip-
                      itation cell a valid phidp segment [m]. Default 1000.
                   dphidp_min [float. Dataset keyword] minimum phase shift [deg]. Default 2.
                   dphidp_max [float. Dataset keyword] maximum phase shift [deg]. Default 16.
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_selfconsistency_kdp_phidp(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Computes specific differential phase and differential phase in rain using the selfconsistency between Zdr, Zh
     and KDP
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of strings. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rsmooth [float. Dataset keyword] length of the smoothing window [m]. Default 1000.
                   min_rhohv [float. Dataset keyword] minimum valid RhoHV. Default 0.92
                   max phidp [float. Dataset keyword] maximum valid PhiDP [deg]. Default 20.
                   ml thickness [float. Dataset keyword] assumed melting layer thickness [m]. Default
                      700.
                   fzl [float. Dataset keyword] The default freezing level height. It will be used if no
                      temperature field name is specified or the temperature field is not in the radar object.
                      Default 2000.
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset : Radar
                   radar object
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ind rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_signal_power (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Computes the signal power in dBm
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                    mflossv [float. Global keyword] The matching filter losses of the vertical channel.
                      Used if input is vertical reflectivity
                    radconstv [float. Global keyword] The vertical channel radar constant. Used if input
                      is vertical reflectivity
                    lrxv [float. Global keyword] The receiver losses from the antenna feed to the reference
                      point. [dB] positive value Used if input is vertical reflectivity
                    Iradomev [float. Global keyword] The 1-way dry radome losses [dB] positive value.
                      Used if input is vertical reflectivity
                    mflossh [float. Global keyword] The matching filter losses of the vertical channel.
                      Used if input is horizontal reflectivity
                    radconsth [float. Global keyword] The horizontal channel radar constant. Used if
                      input is horizontal reflectivity
                    lrxh [float. Global keyword] The receiver losses from the antenna feed to the reference
                      point. [dB] positive value Used if input is horizontal reflectivity
                    lradomeh [float. Global keyword] The 1-way dry radome losses [dB] positive value.
                      Used if input is horizontal reflectivity
                    attg [float. Dataset keyword] The gas attenuation
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_smooth_phidp_double_window(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      corrects phidp of the system phase and smoothes it using one window
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
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rmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rcell [float. Dataset keyword] The length of a continuous cell to consider it valid precip
                     [m]
                   rwinds [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the short smoothing window [m]
                   rwindl [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the long smoothing window [m]
                   Zmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum reflectivity [dBZ]
                   Zmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum reflectivity [dBZ]
                   Zthr [float. Dataset keyword] The threshold defining wich smoothed data to used
                     [dBZ]
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_smooth_phidp_single_window(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     corrects phidp of the system phase and smoothes it using one window
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   rmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum range where to look for valid data [m]
                   rcell [float. Dataset keyword] The length of a continuous cell to consider it valid precip
                      [m]
                   rwind [float. Dataset keyword] The length of the smoothing window [m]
                   Zmin [float. Dataset keyword] The minimum reflectivity [dBZ]
                   Zmax [float. Dataset keyword] The maximum reflectivity [dBZ]
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_snr (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     Computes SNR
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#### Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The input data type

output\_type [string. Dataset keyword] The output data type. Either SNRh or SNRv

radar\_list : list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : Radar

radar object

ind\_rad: int

radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_sun\_hits (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

monitoring of the radar using sun hits

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types

**rmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum range where to look for a sun hit signal [m]. Default 20

**delev\_max** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum elevation distance from nominal radar elevation where to look for a sun hit signal [deg]. Default 1.5

**dazim\_max** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum azimuth distance from nominal radar elevation where to look for a sun hit signal [deg]. Default 1.5

**elmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum radar elevation where to look for sun hits [deg]. Default 1.

**percent\_bins** [float. Dataset keyword.] minimum percentage of range bins that have to contain signal to consider the ray a potential sun hit. Default 10.

attg [float. Dataset keyword] gaseous attenuation. Default None

max\_std [float. Dataset keyword] maximum standard deviation to consider the data noise. Default 1.

- az\_width\_co [float. Dataset keyword] co-polar antenna azimuth width (convoluted with sun width) [deg]. Default None
- **el\_width\_co** [float. Dataset keyword] co-polar antenna elevation width (convoluted with sun width) [deg]. Default None
- az\_width\_cross [float. Dataset keyword] cross-polar antenna azimuth width (convoluted with sun width) [deg]. Default None
- **el\_width\_cross** [float. Dataset keyword] cross-polar antenna elevation width (convoluted with sun width) [deg]. Default None

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ndays [int. Dataset keyword] number of days used in sun retrieval. Default 1
                    coeff_band [float. Dataset keyword] multiplicate coefficient to transform pulse width
                      into receiver bandwidth
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns sun_hits_dict : dict
                   dictionary containing a radar object, a sun_hits dict and a sun_retrieval dictionary
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_time_avg(procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      computes the temporal mean of a field
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                   period [float. Dataset keyword] the period to average [s]. Default 3600.
                   start average [float. Dataset keyword] when to start the average [s from midnight
                      UTC]. Default 0.
                    lin_trans: int. Dataset keyword If 1 apply linear transformation before averaging
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_time_avg_flag (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      computes a flag field describing the conditions of the data used while averaging
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
                    period [float. Dataset keyword] the period to average [s]. Default 3600.
                    start_average [float. Dataset keyword] when to start the average [s from midnight
                      UTC]. Default 0.
                    phidpmax: float. Dataset keyword maximum PhiDP
               radar list: list of Radar objects
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Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process time height (procstatus, dscfg, radar list=None)
      Produces time height radar objects at a point of interest defined by latitude and longitude
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The data type where we want to extract the point
                      measurement
                   lat, lon [float] latitude and longitude of the point of interest [deg]
                   latlon_tol [float] tolerance in latitude and longitude in deg. Default 0.0005
                   hmax [float] The maximum height to plot [m]. Default 10000.
                    hres [float] The height resolution [m]. Default 50
               radar list: list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : dict
                   dictionary containing the QVP and a keyboard stating whether the processing has fin-
                    ished or not.
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process_traj_antenna_pattern (procstatus,
                                                                       dscfg,
                                                                                radar list=None,
                                                                                                     trajec-
                                                          torv=None)
      Process a new array of data volumes considering a plane trajectory. As result a timeseries with the values
      transposed for a given antenna pattern is created. The result is created when the LAST flag is set.
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration
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radar\_list : list of Radar objects

trajectory: Trajectory object

**Returns trajectory**: Trajectory object
Object holding time series

Optional. list of radar objects

containing trajectory samples

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ind rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_traj_atplane (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None, trajectory=None)
     Return time series according to trajectory
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
               trajectory: Trajectory object
                   containing trajectory samples
           Returns trajectory: Trajectory object
                   Object holding time series
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_trajectory (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None, trajectory=None)
     Return trajectory
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
               trajectory: Trajectory object
                   containing trajectory samples
           Returns new_dataset : Trajectory object
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   None
pyrad.proc.process_weighted_time_avg (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
     computes the temporal mean of a field weighted by the reflectivity
           Parameters procstatus: int
                   Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types
```

```
start_average [float. Dataset keyword] when to start the average [s from midnight
                      UTC]. Default 0.
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                   radar object
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
pyrad.proc.process_wind_vel (procstatus, dscfg, radar_list=None)
      Estimates the horizontal or vertical component of the wind from the radial velocity
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                    datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The input data type
                    vert proj [Boolean] If true the vertical projection is computed. Otherwise the horizon-
                      tal projection is computed
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                    Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new dataset: Radar
                    radar object
               ind_rad: int
                    radar index
pyrad.proc.process windshear (procstatus, dscfg, radar list=None)
      Estimates the wind shear from the wind velocity
           Parameters procstatus: int
                    Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing
               dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                    data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:
                   datatype [string. Dataset keyword] The input data type
                    az_tol [float] The tolerance in azimuth when looking for gates on top of the gate when
                      computation is performed
               radar_list : list of Radar objects
                   Optional. list of radar objects
           Returns new_dataset : Radar
                    radar object
               ind rad: int
```

**period** [float. Dataset keyword] the period to average [s]. Default 3600.

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radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_zdr\_precip (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

Keeps only suitable data to evaluate the differential reflectivity in moderate rain or precipitation (for vertical scans)

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

dscfg: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types

**ml\_filter** [boolean. Dataset keyword] indicates if a filter on data in and above the melting layer is applied. Default True.

**rmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum range where to look for rain [m]. Default 1000.

**rmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum range where to look for rain [m]. Default 50000.

**Zmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum reflectivity to consider the bin as precipitation [dBZ]. Default 20.

**Zmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum reflectivity to consider the bin as precipitation [dBZ] Default 22.

**RhoHVmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum RhoHV to consider the bin as precipitation Default 0.97

**PhiDPmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum PhiDP to consider the bin as precipitation [deg] Default 10.

**elmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum elevation angle where to look for precipitation [deg] Default None.

**ml\_thickness** [float. Dataset keyword] assumed thickness of the melting layer. Default 700.

**fzl** [float. Dataset keyword] The default freezing level height. It will be used if no temperature field name is specified or the temperature field is not in the radar object. Default 2000.

radar\_list: list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : Radar

radar object

ind\_rad: int

radar index

pyrad.proc.process\_zdr\_snow (procstatus, dscfg, radar\_list=None)

Keeps only suitable data to evaluate the differential reflectivity in snow

Parameters procstatus: int

Processing status: 0 initializing, 1 processing volume, 2 post-processing

**dscfg**: dictionary of dictionaries

data set configuration. Accepted Configuration Keywords:

datatype [list of string. Dataset keyword] The input data types

**rmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum range where to look for rain [m]. Default 1000.

**rmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum range where to look for rain [m]. Default 50000.

**Zmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum reflectivity to consider the bin as snow [dBZ]. Default 0.

**Zmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum reflectivity to consider the bin as snow [dBZ] Default 30.

**SNRmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum SNR to consider the bin as snow [dB]. Default 10.

**SNRmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum SNR to consider the bin as snow [dB] Default 50.

**RhoHVmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum RhoHV to consider the bin as snow Default 0.97

**PhiDPmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum PhiDP to consider the bin as snow [deg] Default 10.

**elmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum elevation angle where to look for snow [deg] Default None.

**KDPmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum KDP to consider the bin as snow [deg] Default None

**TEMPmin** [float. Dataset keyword] minimum temperature to consider the bin as snow [deg C]. Default None

**TEMPmax** [float. Dataset keyword] maximum temperature to consider the bin as snow [deg C] Default None

**hydroclass** [list of ints. Dataset keyword] list of hydrometeor classes to keep for the analysis Default [1] (dry snow)

radar\_list : list of Radar objects

Optional. list of radar objects

Returns new\_dataset : Radar

radar object

ind\_rad : int

radar index

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**CHAPTER** 

THREE

#### PRODUCTS GENERATION (PYRAD . PROD)

Initiate the products generation.

#### 3.1 Auxiliary functions

get\_dsformat\_func

### 3.2 Product generation

generate_vol_products(dataset, prdcfg)	generates radar volume products
<pre>generate_timeseries_products(dataset, prdcfg)</pre>	generates time series products
<pre>generate_sun_hits_products(dataset, prdcfg)</pre>	generates sun hits products
<pre>generate_monitoring_products(dataset, prdcfg)</pre>	generates a monitoring product
generate_traj_products	
generate_cosmo_coord_products(dataset, prd-	generates COSMO coordinates products
cfg)	
<pre>generate_grid_products(dataset, prdcfg)</pre>	generates grid products

```
pyrad.prod.generate_cosmo_coord_products (dataset, prdcfg)
```

generates COSMO coordinates products

Parameters dataset: tuple

radar object and sun hits dictionary

prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries

product configuration dictionary of dictionaries

Returns filename: str

the name of the file created. None otherwise

pyrad.prod.generate\_grid\_products (dataset, prdcfg)

generates grid products

Parameters dataset : grid

grid object

prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries

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product configuration dictionary of dictionaries
          Returns no return
pyrad.prod.generate_monitoring_products (dataset, prdcfg)
     generates a monitoring product
          Parameters dataset: dictionary
                   dictionary containing a histogram object and some metadata
               prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   product configuration dictionary of dictionaries
          Returns filename: str
                   the name of the file created. None otherwise
pyrad.prod.generate_sun_hits_products(dataset, prdcfg)
     generates sun hits products
          Parameters dataset: tuple
                   radar object and sun hits dictionary
               prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   product configuration dictionary of dictionaries
          Returns filename: str
                   the name of the file created. None otherwise
pyrad.prod.generate_timeseries_products(dataset, prdcfg)
     generates time series products
          Parameters dataset: dictionary
                   radar object
               prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   product configuration dictionary of dictionaries
          Returns no return
pyrad.prod.generate_traj_product (traj, prdcfg)
     Generates trajectory products
          Parameters traj: Trajectory object
               prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   product configuration dictionary of dictionaries
          Returns None
pyrad.prod.generate_vol_products(dataset, prdcfg)
     generates radar volume products
          Parameters dataset: Radar
                   radar object
               prdcfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   product configuration dictionary of dictionaries
          Returns no return
```

Parameters dsformat: str

dataset group, i.e. 'VOL', etc.

Returns func: function

pyrad function used to generate the products

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**CHAPTER** 

#### **FOUR**

### INPUT AND OUTPUT (PYRAD. 10)

Functions to read and write data and configuration files.

### 4.1 Reading configuration files

road config(fname[cfg])  Read a pyrad config file	
read_confrig(manic, cig)	read_config(fname[, cfg]) Read a pyrad config file.

# 4.2 Reading radar data

get_data(voltime, datatypesdescr, cfg)  Reads pyrad input data.
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### 4.3 Reading cosmo data

cosmo2radar_data(radar, cosmo_coord, cosmo_data)	get the COSMO value corresponding to each radar gate us-
	ing nearest
cosmo2radar_coord(radar, cosmo_coord[,])	Given the radar coordinates find the nearest COSMO model
	pixel
hzt2radar_data(radar, hzt_coord, hzt_data[,])	get the HZT value corresponding to each radar gate using
	nearest
hzt2radar_coord(radar, hzt_coord[,])	Given the radar coordinates find the nearest HZT pixel
<pre>get_cosmo_fields(cosmo_data, cosmo_ind[,])</pre>	Get the COSMO data corresponding to each radar gate
get_iso0_field(hzt_data, hzt_ind, z_radar[,])	Get the height over iso0 data corresponding to each radar
	gate
read_cosmo_data(fname[, field_names, celsius])	Reads COSMO data from a netcdf file
read_cosmo_coord(fname[, zmin])	Reads COSMO coordinates from a netcdf file
read_hzt_data(fname[, chy0, chx0])	Reads iso-0 degree data from an HZT file

# 4.4 Reading other data

read_last_state(fname)	Reads a file containing the date of acquisition of the last volume
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read_status(voltime, cfg[, ind_rad])	Reads rad4alp xml status file.
read_rad4alp_cosmo(fname, datatype)	Reads rad4alp COSMO data binary file.
read_rad4alp_vis(fname, datatype)	Reads rad4alp visibility data binary file.
read_colocated_gates(fname)	Reads a csv files containing the posistion of colocated gates
read_colocated_data(fname)	Reads a csv files containing colocated data
read_timeseries(fname)	Reads a time series contained in a csv file
read_ts_cum(fname)	Reads a time series of precipitation accumulation contained
	in a csv file
read_monitoring_ts(fname)	Reads a monitoring time series contained in a csv file
read_intercomp_scores_ts(fname)	Reads a radar intercomparison scores csv file
get_sensor_data(date, datatype, cfg)	Gets data from a point measurement sensor (rain gauge or
	disdrometer)
read_smn(fname)	Reads SwissMetNet data contained in a csv file
read_smn2(fname)	Reads SwissMetNet data contained in a csv file with format
read_disdro_scattering(fname)	Reads scattering parameters computed from disdrometer
	data contained in a
read_sun_hits(fname)	Reads sun hits data contained in a csv file
read_sun_hits_multiple_days(cfg, time_ref[,	Reads sun hits data from multiple file sources
])	
read_sun_retrieval(fname)	Reads sun retrieval data contained in a csv file
read_solar_flux(fname)	Reads solar flux data from the DRAO observatory in
	Canada
read_selfconsistency(fname)	Reads a self-consistency table with Zdr, Kdp/Zh columns
read_antenna_pattern(fname[, linear, twoway])	Read antenna pattern from file
read_lightning(fname[, filter_data])	Reads lightning data contained in a text file.

## 4.5 Writing data

sends the content of a text file by email
writes an alarm file
writes SwissMetNet data in format datetime,avg_value,
std_value
writes SwissMetNet data in format datetime,avg_value,
std_value
Writes the position of gates colocated with two radars
Writes the data of gates colocated with two radars
Writes the time averaged data of gates colocated with two
radars
writes time series of data
writes time series accumulation of data
writes time series of data
writes time series of radar intercomparison scores
Writes sun hits data.
Writes sun retrieval data.
writes a cumulative distribution function
writes the values of an RHI profile in a text file
writes the quantiles of the coverage on a particular sector

# 4.6 Auxiliary functions

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map_hydro(hydro_data_op)	maps the operational hydrometeor classification identifiers
	to the ones
<pre>get_save_dir(basepath, procname, dsname, prdname)</pre>	obtains the path to a product directory and eventually cre-
	ates it
<pre>make_filename(prdtype, dstype, dsname, ext)</pre>	creates a product file name
<pre>get_datetime(fname, datadescriptor)</pre>	gets date and time from file name
get_datasetfields	
<pre>get_file_list(datadescriptor, starttime,)</pre>	gets the list of files with a time period
<pre>get_datatype_fields(datadescriptor)</pre>	splits the data type descriptor and provides each individual
	member
get_field_unit(datatype)	Return unit of datatype.
<pre>get_fieldname_pyart(datatype)</pre>	maps the config file radar data type name into the corre-
	sponding rainbow
<pre>get_fieldname_cosmo(field_name)</pre>	maps the Py-ART field name into the corresponding
	COSMO variable name
<pre>generate_field_name_str(datatype)</pre>	Generates a field name in a nice to read format.
<pre>find_raw_cosmo_file(voltime, datatype, cfg)</pre>	Search a COSMO file in netcdf format
<pre>find_hzt_file(voltime, cfg[, ind_rad])</pre>	Search an ISO-0 degree file in HZT format
add_field(radar_dest, radar_orig)	adds the fields from orig radar into dest radar. If they are
	not in the
<pre>interpol_field(radar_dest, radar_orig,)</pre>	interpolates field field_name contained in radar_orig to the
	grid in
<pre>get_new_rainbow_file_name(master_fname,)</pre>	get the rainbow file name containing datatype from a mas-
	ter file name

## 4.7 Trajectory

<pre>Trajectory(filename[, starttime, endtime,])</pre>	A class for reading and handling trajectory data from a file.

#### 4.8 TimeSeries

TimeSeries(desc[, timevec, timeformat,])	Holding timeseries data and metadata.
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 $\textbf{class} \; \texttt{pyrad.io.TimeSeries} \; (\textit{desc}, \textit{timevec=None}, \textit{timeformat=None}, \textit{maxlength=None}, \textit{datatype=''}) \\$ 

Bases: object

Holding timeseries data and metadata.

#### **Attributes**

description	(array of str) Description of the data of the time series.
time_vector	(array of datetime objects)
timeformat	(how to print the time (default:) 'Date, UTC [seconds since midnight]'
dataseries	(List of _dataSeries object holding the) data

#### **Methods**

add_dataseries(label, unit_name, unit[,])	Add a new data series to the timeseries object.
add_timesample(dt, values)	Add a new sample to the time series.
plot(fname[, ymin, ymax])	Make a figure of a time series
plot_hist(fname[, step])	Make histograms of time series
write(fname)	

```
__class__
    alias of type
__delattr__
     Implement delattr(self, name).
__dict__ = mappingproxy({'add_timesample': <function TimeSeries.add_timesample>, 'add_dataseries': <function Ti
\__{\tt dir}_{\tt ()} \rightarrow list
     default dir() implementation
 _eq_
     Return self==value.
___format___()
     default object formatter
___ge__
     Return self>=value.
__getattribute_
     Return getattr(self, name).
__gt_
     Return self>value.
__hash_
     Return hash(self).
 _init__ (desc, timevec=None, timeformat=None, maxlength=None, datatype='')
     Initalize the object.
         Parameters desc: array of str
             timevec: array of datetime
             timeformat : specifies time format
             maxlength: Maximal length of the time series
             num_el : Number of values in the time series
 le
     Return self<=value.
___1t_
     Return self<value.
__module__ = 'pyrad.io.timeseries'
__ne__
     Return self!=value.
```

```
__new__()
           Create and return a new object. See help(type) for accurate signature.
     __reduce__()
           helper for pickle
      __reduce_ex__()
           helper for pickle
       repr
           Return repr(self).
        _setattr_
           Implement setattr(self, name, value).
     \_sizeof\_() \rightarrow int
           size of object in memory, in bytes
     __str_
           Return str(self).
      __subclasshook___()
           Abstract classes can override this to customize issubclass().
           This is invoked early on by abc.ABCMeta.__subclasscheck__(). It should return True, False or NotImple-
           mented. If it returns NotImplemented, the normal algorithm is used. Otherwise, it overrides the normal
           algorithm (and the outcome is cached).
      weakref
           list of weak references to the object (if defined)
     add_dataseries (label, unit_name, unit, dataseries=None, plot=True, color=None, linestyle=None)
           Add a new data series to the timeseries object. The length of the data vector must be the same as the length
           of the time vector.
     add_timesample(dt, values)
           Add a new sample to the time series.
     plot (fname, ymin=None, ymax=None)
           Make a figure of a time series
     plot_hist (fname, step=None)
           Make histograms of time series
     write(fname)
class pyrad.io. Trajectory (filename, starttime=None, endtime=None, trajtype='plane', flashnr=0)
     Bases: object
```

A class for reading and handling trajectory data from a file.

#### **Attributes**

(str) Path and name of the trajectory definition file	
· /	
(datetime) Start time of trajectory processing.	
(datetime) End time of trajectory processing.	
(str)	
(Array of datetime objects) Array containing the trajectory time samples	
(Array of floats) WGS84 latitude samples in radian	
(Array of floats) WGS84 longitude samples in radian	
(Array of floats) WGS84 altitude samples in m	
(int)	
(Bool) Indicates that convertion to Swiss coordinates has been performed	
(Array of floats) Swiss coordinates in m	
(list) List of radars for which trajectories are going to be computed	
(int) For 'lightning' only. Number of flash for which trajectory data is going	
to be computed. If 0 all all flashes are going to be considered.	
(array of floats) For 'lightning' only. Time within flash (sec)	
(array of ints) For 'lightning' only. Flash number of each data sample	
(array of floats) For 'lightning' only. Lightning power (dBm)	

#### **Methods**

add_radar(radar)	Add the coordinates (WGS84 longitude, latitude and
	non WGS84 altitude) of a radar to the radar_list.
calculate_velocities(radar)	Calculate velocities.
<pre>get_end_time()</pre>	Get time of last trajectory sample.
<pre>get_samples_in_period([start, end])</pre>	"
<pre>get_start_time()</pre>	Get time of first trajectory sample.

Return self>=value.

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__getattribute__
     Return getattr(self, name).
___gt__
     Return self>value.
 hash
     Return hash(self).
__init__ (filename, starttime=None, endtime=None, trajtype='plane', flashnr=0)
     Initalize the object.
         Parameters filename: str
                Filename containing the trajectory samples.
              starttime: datetime
                Start time of trajectory processing. If not given, use the time of the first trajectory
                sample.
              endtime: datetime
                End time of trajectory processing. If not given, use the time of the last trajectory sample.
             trajtype: str
                type of trajectory. Can be plane or lightning
             flashnr: int
                If type of trajectory is lightning, the flash number to check the trajectory. 0 means all
                flash numbers included
  le
     Return self<=value.
 1t
     Return self<value.
__module__ = 'pyrad.io.trajectory'
     Return self!=value.
new ()
     Create and return a new object. See help(type) for accurate signature.
__reduce__()
     helper for pickle
__reduce_ex__()
     helper for pickle
 _repr_
     Return repr(self).
__setattr__
     Implement setattr(self, name, value).
\_\_\mathtt{sizeof}\_\_() \to \mathrm{int}
     size of object in memory, in bytes
     Return str(self).
```

```
subclasshook ()
           Abstract classes can override this to customize issubclass().
           This is invoked early on by abc.ABCMeta.__subclasscheck__(). It should return True, False or NotImple-
           mented. If it returns NotImplemented, the normal algorithm is used. Otherwise, it overrides the normal
           algorithm (and the outcome is cached).
        weakref
           list of weak references to the object (if defined)
     _convert_traj_to_swissgrid()
           Convert trajectory samples from WGS84 to Swiss CH1903 coordinates
      _get_total_seconds(x)
           Return total seconds of timedelta object
      _read_traj()
           Read trajectory from file
     _read_traj_lightning(flashnr=0)
           Read trajectory from lightning file
               Parameters flashnr: int
                     the flash number to keep. If 0 data from all flashes will be kept
     add radar(radar)
           Add the coordinates (WGS84 longitude, latitude and non WGS84 altitude) of a radar to the radar list.
               Parameters radar: pyart radar object
                     containing the radar coordinates
     calculate_velocities (radar)
           Calculate velocities.
     get_end_time()
           Get time of last trajectory sample.
     get_samples_in_period (start=None, end=None)
           "Get indices of samples of the trajectory within given time period.
     get_start_time()
           Get time of first trajectory sample.
pyrad.io.add_field(radar_dest, radar_orig)
     adds the fields from orig radar into dest radar. If they are not in the same grid, interpolates them to dest grid
           Parameters radar dest: radar object
                   the destination radar
               radar_orig: radar object
                   the radar object containing the original field
           Returns field_dest : dict
                   interpolated field and metadata
                                                                                          slice\_z = False,
pyrad.io.cosmo2radar_coord(radar,
                                                  cosmo_coord,
                                                                     slice\_xy=True,
                                      field name=None)
     Given the radar coordinates find the nearest COSMO model pixel
           Parameters radar: Radar
                   the radar object containing the information on the position of the radar gates
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```
dictionary containing the COSMO coordinates
               slice_xy: boolean
                   if true the horizontal plane of the COSMO field is cut to the dimensions of the radar
                   field
               slice z: boolean
                   if true the vertical plane of the COSMO field is cut to the dimensions of the radar field
               field name: str
                   name of the field
           Returns cosmo_ind_field : dict
                   dictionary containing a field of COSMO indices and metadata
pyrad.io.cosmo2radar_data(radar, cosmo_coord, cosmo_data, time_index=0, slice_xy=True,
                                     slice_z=False, field_names=['temperature'])
     get the COSMO value corresponding to each radar gate using nearest neighbour interpolation
           Parameters radar: Radar
                   the radar object containing the information on the position of the radar gates
               cosmo coord: dict
                   dictionary containing the COSMO coordinates
               cosmo_data : dict
                   dictionary containing the COSMO data
               time_index: int
                   index of the forecasted data
               slice_xy : boolean
                   if true the horizontal plane of the COSMO field is cut to the dimensions of the radar
                   field
               slice_z : boolean
                   if true the vertical plane of the COSMO field is cut to the dimensions of the radar field
               field names: str
                   names of COSMO fields to convert (default temperature)
           Returns cosmo_fields: list of dict
                   list of dictionary with the COSMO fields and metadata
pyrad.io.find_hzt_file (voltime, cfg, ind_rad=0)
     Search an ISO-0 degree file in HZT format
           Parameters voltime: datetime object
                    volume scan time
               cfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   configuration info to figure out where the data is
               ind_rad: int
```

cosmo coord: dict

```
radar index
          Returns fname: str
                   Name of HZT file if it exists. None otherwise
pyrad.io.find_raw_cosmo_file (voltime, datatype, cfg, ind_rad=0)
     Search a COSMO file in netcdf format
          Parameters voltime: datetime object
                  volume scan time
               datatype: str
                   type of COSMO data to look for
               cfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   configuration info to figure out where the data is
               ind_rad: int
                   radar index
          Returns fname: str
                  Name of COSMO file if it exists. None otherwise
pyrad.io.generate_field_name_str(datatype)
     Generates a field name in a nice to read format.
          Parameters datatype: str
                   The data type
          Returns field_str: str
                  The field name
pyrad.io.get_cosmo_fields (cosmo_data, cosmo_ind, time_index=0, field_names=['temperature'])
     Get the COSMO data corresponding to each radar gate using a precomputed look up table of the nearest neigh-
     bour
          Parameters cosmo data: dict
                   dictionary containing the COSMO data and metadata
               cosmo_ind : dict
                   dictionary containing a field of COSMO indices and metadata
               time index: int
                   index of the forecasted data
               field_names : str
                  names of COSMO parameters (default temperature)
          Returns cosmo_fields: list of dict
                  dictionary with the COSMO fields and metadata
pyrad.io.get_data(voltime, datatypesdescr, cfg)
     Reads pyrad input data.
          Parameters voltime: datetime object
                   volume scan time
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datatypesdescr: list
                   list of radar field types to read. Format : [radar file type]:[datatype]
               cfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   configuration info to figure out where the data is
           Returns radar: Radar
                   radar object
pyrad.io.get_dataset_fields (datasetdescr)
     splits the dataset type descriptor and provides each individual member
           Parameters datasetdescr : str
                   dataset type. Format : [processing level]:[dataset type]
           Returns proclevel: str
                   dataset processing level
               dataset : str
                   dataset type, i.e. dBZ, ZDR, ISO0, ...
pyrad.io.get_datatype_fields(datadescriptor)
     splits the data type descriptor and provides each individual member
           Parameters datadescriptor: str
                   radar field type. Format : [radar file type]:[datatype]
           Returns radarnr: str
                   radar number, i.e. RADAR1, RADAR2, ...
               datagroup: str
                   data type group, i.e. RAINBOW, RAD4ALP, CFRADIAL, COSMO, MXPOL ...
               datatype: str
                   data type, i.e. dBZ, ZDR, ISO0, ...
               dataset : str
                   dataset type (for saved data only)
               product: str
                   product type (for saved data only)
pyrad.io.get_datetime (fname, datadescriptor)
     gets date and time from file name
           Parameters fname: file name
               datadescriptor: str
                   radar field type. Format : [radar file type]:[datatype]
           Returns fdatetime: datetime object
                   date and time in file name
pyrad.io.get_field_unit (datatype)
     Return unit of datatype.
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Parameters datatype: str
                   The data type
           Returns unit: str
                   The unit
pyrad.io.get_fieldname_cosmo(field_name)
     maps the Py-ART field name into the corresponding COSMO variable name
           Parameters field_name: str
                   Py-ART field name
           Returns cosmo name: str
                   Py-ART variable name
pyrad.io.get_fieldname_pyart (datatype)
     maps the config file radar data type name into the corresponding rainbow Py-ART field name
           Parameters datatype: str
                   config file radar data type name
           Returns field_name: str
                   Py-ART field name
pyrad.io.get_file_list (datadescriptor, starttime, endtime, cfg, scan=None)
     gets the list of files with a time period
           Parameters datadescriptor: str
                   radar field type. Format : [radar file type]:[datatype]
               startime: datetime object
                   start of time period
               endtime: datetime object
                   end of time period
               cfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   configuration info to figure out where the data is
               scan: str
                   scan name
           Returns radar: Radar
                   radar object
pyrad.io.get_iso0_field(hzt_data, hzt_ind, z_radar, field_name='height_over_iso0')
     Get the height over iso0 data corresponding to each radar gate using a precomputed look up table of the nearest
     neighbour
           Parameters hzt_data : dict
                   dictionary containing the HZT data and metadata
               hzt_ind : dict
                   dictionary containing a field of HZT indices and metadata
               z radar : ndarray
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gates altitude [m MSL]
               field name: str
                   names of HZT parameters (default height_over_iso0)
           Returns iso0_field: list of dict
                   dictionary with the height over iso0 field and metadata
pyrad.io.get_new_rainbow_file_name (master_fname, master_datadescriptor, datatype)
     get the rainbow file name containing datatype from a master file name and data type
           Parameters master_fname : str
                   the master file name
               master_datadescriptor : str
                   the master data type descriptor
               datatype: str
                   the data type of the new file name to be created
           Returns new fname: str
                   the new file name
pyrad.io.get_save_dir(basepath, procname, dsname, prdname, timeinfo=None, timeformat='%Y-
                               %m-%d', create dir=True)
     obtains the path to a product directory and eventually creates it
           Parameters basepath: str
                   product base path
               procname: str
                   name of processing space
               dsname: str
                   data set name
               prdname: str
                   product name
               timeinfo: datetime
                   time info to generate the date directory. If None there is no time format in the path
               timeformat : str
                   Optional. The time format.
               create dir: boolean
                   If True creates the directory
           Returns savedir: str
                   path to product
pyrad.io.get_sensor_data(date, datatype, cfg)
     Gets data from a point measurement sensor (rain gauge or disdrometer)
           Parameters date: datetime object
                   measurement date
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datatype: str
                   name of the data type to read
               cfg: dictionary
                   dictionary containing sensor information
           Returns sensordate, sensorvalue, label, period: tupple
                   date, value, type of sensor and measurement period
pyrad.io.hzt2radar_coord(radar, hzt_coord, slice_xy=True, field_name=None)
     Given the radar coordinates find the nearest HZT pixel
           Parameters radar: Radar
                   the radar object containing the information on the position of the radar gates
               hzt_coord: dict
                   dictionary containing the HZT coordinates
               slice xy: boolean
                   if true the horizontal plane of the HZT field is cut to the dimensions of the radar field
               field name: str
                   name of the field
           Returns hzt ind field: dict
                   dictionary containing a field of HZT indices and metadata
pyrad.io.hzt2radar_data(radar,
                                                   hzt_coord,
                                                                        hzt_data,
                                                                                            slice_xy=True,
                                  field_name='height_over_iso0')
     get the HZT value corresponding to each radar gate using nearest neighbour interpolation
           Parameters radar: Radar
                   the radar object containing the information on the position of the radar gates
               hzt_coord : dict
                   dictionary containing the HZT coordinates
               hzt data: dict
                   dictionary containing the HZT data
               slice xy: boolean
                   if true the horizontal plane of the COSMO field is cut to the dimensions of the radar
                   field
               field name: str
                   name of HZT fields to convert (default height_over_iso0)
           Returns hzt_fields: list of dict
                   list of dictionary with the HZT fields and metadata
pyrad.io.interpol_field(radar_dest, radar_orig, field_name, fill_value=None)
     interpolates field field_name contained in radar_orig to the grid in radar_dest
           Parameters radar_dest : radar object
                   the destination radar
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radar_orig: radar object
                   the radar object containing the original field
               field name: str
                   name of the field to interpolate
           Returns field dest: dict
                   interpolated field and metadata
pyrad.io.make_filename (prdtype, dstype, dsname, ext, prdcfginfo=None, timeinfo=None, timefor-
                                mat='%Y%m%d%H%M%S', runinfo=None)
     creates a product file name
           Parameters timeinfo: datetime
                   time info to generate the date directory
               prdtype: str
                   product type, i.e. 'ppi', etc.
               dstype: str
                   data set type, i.e. 'raw', etc.
               dsname: str
                   data set name
               ext: array of str
                   file name extensions, i.e. 'png'
               prdcfginfo: str
                   Optional. string to add product configuration information, i.e. 'el0.4'
               timeformat: str
                   Optional. The time format
               runinfo: str
                   Optional. Additional information about the test (e.g. 'RUN01', 'TS011')
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                   list of file names (as many as extensions)
pyrad.io.map_hydro(hydro_data_op)
     maps the operational hydrometeor classification identifiers to the ones used by Py-ART
           Parameters hydro_data_op : numpy array
                   The operational hydrometeor classification data
           Returns hydro_data_py: numpy array
                   The pyart hydrometeor classification data
pyrad.io.read_antenna_pattern (fname, linear=False, twoway=False)
     Read antenna pattern from file
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of the antenna pattern file
               linear: boolean
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if true the antenna pattern is given in linear units

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twoway: boolean
                   if true the attenuation is two-way
           Returns pattern: dict
                   dictionary with the fields angle and attenuation
pyrad.io.read colocated data(fname)
     Reads a csv files containing colocated data
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns rad1_ele, rad1_azi, rad1_rng, rad1_val, rad2_ele, rad2_azi, rad2_rng,
               rad2_val: tupple
                   A tupple with the data read. None otherwise
pyrad.io.read colocated gates(fname)
     Reads a csv files containing the posistion of colocated gates
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns rad1 ele, rad1 azi, rad1 rng, rad2 ele, rad2 azi, rad2 rng: tupple
                   A tupple with the data read. None otherwise
pyrad.io.read_config (fname, cfg=None)
     Read a pyrad config file.
           Parameters fname: str
                   Name of the configuration file to read.
               cfg: dict of dicts, optional
                   dictionary of dictionaries containing configuration parameters where the new parame-
                   ters will be placed
           Returns cfg: dict of dicts
                   dictionary of dictionaries containing the configuration parameters
pyrad.io.read_cosmo_coord(fname, zmin=None)
     Reads COSMO coordinates from a netcdf file
           Parameters fname: str
                   name of the file to read
           Returns cosmo_coord : dictionary
                   dictionary with the data and metadata
pyrad.io.read_cosmo_data(fname, field_names=['temperature'], celsius=True)
     Reads COSMO data from a netcdf file
           Parameters fname: str
                   name of the file to read
               field names: str
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name of the variable to read celsius: Boolean if True and variable temperature converts data from Kelvin to Centigrade Returns cosmo\_data: dictionary dictionary with the data and metadata pyrad.io.read disdro scattering(fname) Reads scattering parameters computed from disdrometer data contained in a text file Parameters fname: str path of time series file **Returns** date, preciptype, lwc, rr, zh, zv, zdr, ldr, ah, av, adiff, kdp, deltaco, rhohv: tupple The read values pyrad.io.read hzt data(fname, chy0=255.0, chx0=-160.0) Reads iso-0 degree data from an HZT file Parameters fname: str name of the file to read chy0, chx0: south west point of grid in Swiss coordinates [km] **Returns hzt data**: dictionary dictionary with the data and metadata pyrad.io.read\_intercomp\_scores\_ts(fname) Reads a radar intercomparison scores csv file Parameters fname: str path of time series file **Returns** date\_vec, np\_vec, meanbias\_vec, medianbias\_vec, modebias\_vec, corr\_vec, slope vec, intercep vec, intercep slope1 vec: tupple The read data. None otherwise pyrad.io.read\_last\_state(fname) Reads a file containing the date of acquisition of the last volume processed Parameters fname: str name of the file to read

Returns last\_state : datetime object

the date

pyrad.io.read\_lightning(fname, filter\_data=True)

Reads lightning data contained in a text file. The file has the following fields:

flashnr: (0 is for noise) UTC seconds of the day Time within flash (in seconds) Latitude (decimal degrees) Longitude (decimal degrees) Altitude (m MSL) Power (dBm)

Parameters fname: str

path of time series file

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filter data: Boolean
                   if True filter noise (flashnr = 0)
           Returns flashnr, time, time_in_flash, lat, lon, alt, dBm: tupple
                   A tupple containing the read values. None otherwise
pyrad.io.read_monitoring_ts(fname)
     Reads a monitoring time series contained in a csv file
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns date, np_t, central_quantile, low_quantile, high_quantile: tupple
                   The read data. None otherwise
pyrad.io.read_rad4alp_cosmo (fname, datatype)
     Reads rad4alp COSMO data binary file.
           Parameters fname: str
                   name of the file to read
               datatype: str
                   name of the data type
           Returns field: dictionary
                   The data field
pyrad.io.read_rad4alp_vis (fname, datatype)
     Reads rad4alp visibility data binary file.
           Parameters fname: str
                   name of the file to read
               datatype: str
                   name of the data type
           Returns field list: list of dictionaries
                   A data field. Each element of the list corresponds to one elevation
pyrad.io.read_selfconsistency (fname)
     Reads a self-consistency table with Zdr, Kdp/Zh columns
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns zdr, kdpzh: arrays
                   The read values
pyrad.io.read_smn (fname)
     Reads SwissMetNet data contained in a csv file
           Parameters fname: str
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path of time series file

Returns id, date, pressure, temp, rh, precip, wspeed, wdir: tupple

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The read values
pyrad.io.read_smn2 (fname)
     Reads SwissMetNet data contained in a csv file with format station,time, value
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns id, date, value: tupple
                   The read values
pyrad.io.read_solar_flux (fname)
     Reads solar flux data from the DRAO observatory in Canada
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns flux_datetime: datetime array
                   the date and time of the solar flux retrievals
               flux_value: array
                   the observed solar flux
pyrad.io.read_status(voltime, cfg, ind_rad=0)
     Reads rad4alp xml status file.
           Parameters voltime: datetime object
                   volume scan time
               cfg: dictionary of dictionaries
                   configuration info to figure out where the data is
               ind rad: int
                   radar index
           Returns root: root element object
                   The information contained in the status file
pyrad.io.read_sun_hits(fname)
     Reads sun hits data contained in a csv file
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns date, ray, nrng, rad_el, rad_az, sun_el, sun_az, ph, ph_std, nph, nvalh,
               pv, pv_std, npv, nvalv, zdr, zdr_std, nzdr, nvalzdr : tupple
                   Each parameter is an array containing a time series of information on a variable
pyrad.io.read_sun_hits_multiple_days (cfg, time_ref, nfiles=1)
     Reads sun hits data from multiple file sources
           Parameters cfg: dict
                   dictionary with configuration data to find out the right file
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**time\_ref** : datetime object reference time

nfiles: int

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number of files to read
           Returns date, ray, nrng, rad_el, rad_az, sun_el, sun_az, ph, ph_std, nph, nvalh,
               pv, pv_std, npv, nvalv, zdr, zdr_std, nzdr, nvalzdr : tupple
                   Each parameter is an array containing a time series of information on a variable
pyrad.io.read sun retrieval(fname)
     Reads sun retrieval data contained in a csv file
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns first_hit_time, last_hit_time, nhits_h, el_width_h, az_width_h, el_bias_h,
               az_bias_h, dBm_sun_est, std_dBm_sun_est, nhits_v, el_width_v, az_width_v,
               el_bias_v, az_bias_v, dBmv_sun_est, std_dBmv_sun_est, nhits_zdr,
               zdr_sun_est, std_zdr_sun_est, dBm_sun_ref, ref_time : tupple
                   Each parameter is an array containing a time series of information on a variable
pyrad.io.read_timeseries (fname)
     Reads a time series contained in a csv file
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns date, value: tupple
                   A datetime object array containing the time and a numpy masked array containing the
                   value. None otherwise
pyrad.io.read_ts_cum(fname)
     Reads a time series of precipitation accumulation contained in a csv file
           Parameters fname: str
                   path of time series file
           Returns date, np_radar, radar_value, np_sensor, sensor_value : tupple
                   The data read
pyrad.io.send_msg(sender, receiver_list, subject, fname)
     sends the content of a text file by email
           Parameters sender: str
                   the email address of the sender
               receiver_list: list of string
                   list with the email addresses of the receiver
               subject : str
                   the subject of the email
               fname: str
                   name of the file containing the content of the email message
           Returns fname: str
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the name of the file containing the content

writes an alarm file

Parameters radar\_name : str

Name of the radar being controlled

param\_name\_unit : str

Parameter and units

date\_last : datetime object

date of the current event

target, tol abs: float

Target value and tolerance

np\_trend: int

Total number of points in trend

value\_trend, tol\_trend: float

Trend value and tolerance

nevents: int

Number of events in trend

np last: int

Number of points in the current event

value\_last: float

Value of the current event

fname : str

Name of file where to store the alarm information

Returns fname: str

the name of the file where data has written

writes a cumulative distribution function

Parameters quantiles: datetime array

array containing the measurement time

values: float array

array containing the average value

fname: float array

array containing the standard deviation

sector: str

file name where to store the data

```
Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_colocated_data(coloc_data, fname)
     Writes the data of gates colocated with two radars
           Parameters coloc data: dict
                   dictionary containing the colocated data parameters
               fname: str
                   file name where to store the data
           Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_colocated_data_time_avg(coloc_data, fname)
     Writes the time averaged data of gates colocated with two radars
           Parameters coloc data: dict
                   dictionary containing the colocated data parameters
               fname: str
                   file name where to store the data
           Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_colocated_gates (coloc_gates, fname)
     Writes the position of gates colocated with two radars
           Parameters coloc_gates : dict
                   dictionary containing the colocated gates parameters
               fname: str
                   file name where to store the data
           Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_field_coverage (quantiles, values, ele_start, ele_stop, azi_start, azi_stop, thresh-
                                          old, nvalid_min, datatype, timeinfo, fname)
     writes the quantiles of the coverage on a particular sector
           Parameters quantiles: datetime array
                   array containing the quantiles computed
               values: float array
                   quantile value
               ele_start, ele_stop, azi_start, azi_stop : float
                   The limits of the sector
               threshold: float
                   The minimum value to consider the data valid
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nvalid\_min: int

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the minimum number of points to consider that there are values in a ray
               datatype: str
                   data type and units
               timeinfo: datetime object
                   the time stamp of the data
               fname: str
                   name of the file where to write the data
           Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_intercomp_scores_ts(start_time,
                                                                   stats,
                                                                                field_name,
                                                                                                  fname,
                                                 rad1_name='RADAR001', rad2_name='RADAR002')
     writes time series of radar intercomparison scores
           Parameters start_time : datetime object
                   the time of the intercomparison
               stats: dict
                   dictionary containing the statistics
               field name: str
                   The name of the field
               fname: str
                   file name where to store the data
               rad1_name, rad2_name: str
                   Name of the radars intercompared
           Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_last_state(datetime_last, fname)
     writes SwissMetNet data in format datetime,avg_value, std_value
           Parameters datetime_last : datetime object
                   date and time of the last state
               fname: str
                   file name where to store the data
           Returns fname: str
                   the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_monitoring_ts (start_time, np_t, values, quantiles, datatype, fname)
     writes time series of data
           Parameters start_time: datetime object
                   the time of the monitoring
               np_t: int
                   the total number of points
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values: float array

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the values at certain quantiles
                quantiles: float array
                    the quantiles computed
                fname: str
                    file name where to store the data
           Returns fname: str
                    the name of the file where data has written
pyrad.io.write_rhi_profile (hvec, data, nvalid_vec, labels, fname, datatype=None, timeinfo=None,
                                       sector=None)
      writes the values of an RHI profile in a text file
           Parameters hvec: float array
                    array containing the alitude in m MSL
                data: list of float array
                    the quantities at each altitude
                nvalid_vec: int array
                    number of valid data points used to compute the quantiles
                labels: list of strings
                    label specifying the quantitites in data
                fname: str
                    file name where to store the data
                datatype: str
                    the data type
                timeinfo: datetime object
                    time of the rhi profile
                sector: dict
                    dictionary specying the sector limits
           Returns fname: str
                    the name of the file where data has been written
pyrad.io.write_smn (datetime_vec, value_avg_vec, value_std_vec, fname)
      writes SwissMetNet data in format datetime,avg_value, std_value
           Parameters datetime_vec : datetime array
                    array containing the measurement time
                value_avg_vec : float array
                    array containing the average value
                value_std_vec : float array
                    array containing the standard deviation
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fname: str

file name where to store the data

Returns fname: str

the name of the file where data has written

pyrad.io.write\_sun\_hits(sun\_hits, fname)

Writes sun hits data.

Parameters sun\_hits: dict

dictionary containing the sun hits parameters

fname: str

file name where to store the data

Returns fname: str

the name of the file where data has written

pyrad.io.write\_sun\_retrieval(sun\_retrieval, fname)

Writes sun retrieval data.

Parameters sun\_retrieval : dict

dictionary containing the sun retrieval parameters

fname: str

file name where to store the data

Returns fname: str

the name of the file where data has written

pyrad.io.write\_ts\_cum(dataset, fname)

writes time series accumulation of data

Parameters dataset : dict

dictionary containing the time series parameters

fname: str

file name where to store the data

Returns fname: str

the name of the file where data has written

pyrad.io.write\_ts\_polar\_data(dataset, fname)

writes time series of data

Parameters dataset: dict

dictionary containing the time series parameters

fname : str

file name where to store the data

Returns fname: str

the name of the file where data has written

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## PLOTTING (PYRAD.GRAPH)

Functions to plot graphics.

#### 5.1 Plots

plot_surface(grid, field_name, level,)	plots a surface from gridded data
plot_latitude_slice(grid, field_name, lon,)	plots a latitude slice from gridded data
plot_longitude_slice(grid, field_name, lon,)	plots a longitude slice from gridded data
plot_latlon_slice(grid, field_name, coord1,)	plots a croos section crossing two points in the grid
plot_ppi(radar, field_name, ind_el, prdcfg,)	plots a PPI
<pre>plot_ppi_map(radar, field_name, ind_el,)</pre>	plots a PPI on a geographic map
<pre>plot_rhi(radar, field_name, ind_az, prdcfg,)</pre>	plots an RHI
plot_bscope(radar, field_name, ind_sweep,)	plots a B-Scope (angle-range representation)
<pre>plot_time_range(radar, field_name,)</pre>	plots a time-range plot
plot_rhi_profile	
<pre>plot_along_coord(xval, yval, fname_list[,])</pre>	plots a time series
<pre>plot_field_coverage(xval, yval, fname_list)</pre>	plots a time series
<pre>plot_density(hist_obj, hist_type,[,])</pre>	density plot (angle-values representation)
plot_cappi(radar, field_name, altitude,)	plots a Constant Altitude Plan Position Indicator CAPPI
<pre>plot_quantiles(quant, value, fname_list[,])</pre>	plots quantiles
<pre>plot_histogram(bins, values, fname_list[,])</pre>	computes and plots histogram
<pre>plot_histogram2(bins, hist, fname_list[,])</pre>	plots histogram
<pre>plot_antenna_pattern(antpattern, fname_list)</pre>	plots an antenna pattern
<pre>plot_timeseries(tvec, data, fname_list[,])</pre>	plots a time series
<pre>plot_timeseries_comp(date1, value1, date2,)</pre>	plots 2 time series in the same graph
<pre>plot_monitoring_ts(date, np_t, cquant,)</pre>	plots a time series of monitoring data
<pre>plot_scatter_comp(value1, value2, fname_list)</pre>	plots the scatter between two time series
<pre>plot_intercomp_scores_ts(date_vec, np_vec,)</pre>	plots a time series of radar intercomparison scores
plot_sun_hits(field, field_name, fname_list,)	plots the sun hits
<pre>plot_sun_retrieval_ts(sun_retrieval,[, dpi])</pre>	plots sun retrieval time series series
<pre>get_colobar_label(field_dict, field_name)</pre>	creates the colorbar label using field metadata

Parameters field\_dict : dict

dictionary containing field metadata

 $\boldsymbol{field\_name}: str$ 

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name of the field
           Returns label: str
                   colorbar label
pyrad.graph.plot_along_coord(xval, yval, fname_list, labelx='coord', labely='Value', la-
                                         bels=None, title='Plot along coordinate',
                                         linestyles=None, ymin=None, ymax=None, dpi=72)
     plots a time series
           Parameters xval: list of float arrays
                   the x values, range, azimuth or elevation
               yval: list of float arrays
                   the y values. Parameter to plot
               fname_list : list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
               labelx: str
                   The label of the X axis
               labely: str
                   The label of the Y axis
               labels: array of str
                   The label of the legend
               title: str
                   The figure title
               colors: array of str
                   Specifies the colors of each line
               linestyles: array of str
                   Specifies the line style of each line
               ymin, ymax: float
                   Lower/Upper limit of y axis
               dpi: int
                   dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_antenna_pattern (antpattern, fname_list, labelx='Angle [Deg]', linear=False,
                                              twoway=False, title='Antenna Pattern', ymin=None,
                                              ymax=None, dpi=72)
     plots an antenna pattern
           Parameters antpattern: dict
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dictionary with the angle and the attenuation

value: float array

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values of the time series
                fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
                labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
                linear: boolean
                    if true data is in linear units
                linear: boolean
                    if true data represents the two way attenuation
                titl: str
                    The figure title
                ymin, ymax: float
                    Lower/Upper limit of y axis
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
           Returns fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_bscope (radar, field_name, ind_sweep, prdcfg, fname_list)
      plots a B-Scope (angle-range representation)
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                    object containing the radar data to plot
                field_name : str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                ind_sweep : int
                    sweep index to plot
                prdcfg : dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
                fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_cappi (radar, field_name, altitude, prdcfg, fname_list)
      plots a Constant Altitude Plan Position Indicator CAPPI
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                    object containing the radar data to plot
                field name: str
                    name of the radar field to plot
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altitude: float

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the altitude [m MSL] to be plotted
               prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
               fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_density(hist_obj, hist_type, field_name, ind_sweep, prdcfg, fname_list, quan-
                                    tiles=[25.0, 50.0, 75.0], ref_value=0.0)
      density plot (angle-values representation)
           Parameters hist_obj : histogram object
                   object containing the histogram data to plot
               hist_type : str
                    type of histogram (instantaneous data or cumulative)
               field name: str
                    name of the radar field to plot
               ind sweep: int
                   sweep index to plot
               prdcfg: dict
                   dictionary containing the product configuration
               fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
               quantiles: array
                    the quantile lines to plot
               ref value: float
                    the reference value
           Returns fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_field_coverage (xval, yval, fname_list, labelx='Azimuth (deg)', labely='Range
                                              extension [m]', labels=None, title='Field coverage',
                                              ymin=None, ymax=None, xmeanval=None, ymeanval=None,
                                              labelmeanval=None, dpi=72)
      plots a time series
           Parameters xval: list of float arrays
                    the x values, azimuth
               yval: list of float arrays
                    the y values. Range extension
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fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
                labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
                labely: str
                    The label of the Y axis
                labels: array of str
                    The label of the legend
                title: str
                    The figure title
                ymin, ymax: float
                    Lower/Upper limit of y axis
                xmeanval, ymeanval: float array
                    the x and y values of a mean along elevation
                labelmeanval: str
                    the label of the mean
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_histogram (bins, values, fname_list, labelx='bins', labely='Number of Samples',
                                        titl='histogram', dpi=72)
      computes and plots histogram
           Parameters bins: array
                    histogram bins
                values : array
                    data values
                fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
                labelx : str
                    The label of the X axis
                labely: str
                    The label of the Y axis
                titl: str
                    The figure title
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
```

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Returns fname list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_histogram2 (bins, hist, fname_list, labelx='bins', labely='Number of Samples',
                                       titl='histogram', dpi=72)
     plots histogram
           Parameters quant: array
                   histogram bins
               hist: array
                   values for each bin
               fname_list : list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
               labelx: str
                   The label of the X axis
               labely: str
                   The label of the Y axis
               titl: str
                   The figure title
               dpi: int
                   dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_intercomp_scores_ts(date_vec, np_vec, meanbias_vec, medianbias_vec,
                                                    modebias_vec, corr_vec, slope_vec, intercep_vec,
                                                    intercep_slope1_vec, fname_list, ref_value=0.0, la-
                                                    belx='Time UTC', titl='RADAR001-RADAR002 inter-
                                                    comparison', dpi=72)
     plots a time series of radar intercomparison scores
           Parameters date_vec : datetime object
                   time of the time series
               np_vec : int array
                   number of points
               meanbias_vec, medianbias_vec, modebias_vec : float array
                   mean, median and mode bias
               corr_vec : float array
                   correlation
               slope_vec, intercep_vec : float array
                   slope and intercep of a linear regression
               intercep_slope1_vec: float
                   the intercep point of a inear regression of slope 1
```

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ref_value: float
                    the reference value
                labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
                titl: str
                    The figure title
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
pyrad.graph.plot_latitude_slice (grid, field_name, lon, lat, prdcfg, fname_list)
      plots a latitude slice from gridded data
           Parameters grid: Grid object
                    object containing the gridded data to plot
                field_name : str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                lon, lat: float
                    coordinates of the slice to plot
                prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
                fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_latlon_slice (grid, field_name, coord1, coord2, prdcfg, fname_list)
      plots a croos section crossing two points in the grid
           Parameters grid: Grid object
                    object containing the gridded data to plot
                field_name : str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                coord1: tupple of floats
                    lat, lon of the first point
                coord2: tupple of floats
                    lat, lon of the second point
                fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
```

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list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_longitude_slice (grid, field_name, lon, lat, prdcfg, fname_list)
      plots a longitude slice from gridded data
           Parameters grid: Grid object
                    object containing the gridded data to plot
                field name: str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                lon, lat: float
                    coordinates of the slice to plot
                prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
                fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_monitoring_ts(date, np_t, cquant, lquant, hquant, field_name, fname_list,
                                             ref value=None, labelx='Time [UTC]', labely='Value',
                                             titl='Time Series', dpi=72)
      plots a time series of monitoring data
           Parameters date: datetime object
                    time of the time series
                np_t : int array
                    number of points
                cquant, lquant, hquant : float array
                    values of the central, low and high quantiles
                field_name : str
                    name of the field
                fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
                ref_value: float
                    the reference value
                labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
                labely: str
                    The label of the Y axis
                titl: str
                    The figure title
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dpi: int

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dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_ppi (radar, field_name, ind_el, prdcfg, fname_list, plot_type='PPI', step=None,
                              quantiles=None)
      plots a PPI
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                    object containing the radar data to plot
                field_name: str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                ind_el: int
                    sweep index to plot
                prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
                fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
                plot_type : str
                    type of plot (PPI, QUANTILES or HISTOGRAM)
                step: float
                    step for histogram plotting
                quantiles: float array
                    quantiles to plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_ppi_map (radar, field_name, ind_el, prdcfg, fname_list)
      plots a PPI on a geographic map
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                    object containing the radar data to plot
                field_name : str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                ind_el: int
                    sweep index to plot
                prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
                fname list: list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
```

Returns fname\_list: list of str

```
list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_quantiles(quant,
                                                value, fname_list, labelx='quantile', labely='value',
                                       titl='quantile', dpi=72)
      plots quantiles
           Parameters quant : array
                   quantiles to be plotted
               value: array
                    values of each quantile
               fname_list : list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
               labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
               labely: str
                   The label of the Y axis
               titl: str
                   The figure title
               dpi: int
                   dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_rhi (radar, field_name, ind_az, prdcfg, fname_list, plot_type='RHI', step=None,
                              quantiles=None)
      plots an RHI
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                   object containing the radar data to plot
               field name: str
                    name of the radar field to plot
               ind az: int
                   sweep index to plot
               prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
               fname list: list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
               plot_type : str
                   type of plot (PPI, QUANTILES or HISTOGRAM)
               step: float
                    step for histogram plotting
               quantiles: float array
```

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quantiles to plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_scatter(bins1, bins2, hist_2d, field_name1, field_name2, fname_list, prd-
                                                                lin regr=None,
                                                                                    lin regr slope1=None,
                                    cfg,
                                            metadata=None,
                                    rad1 name='RADAR001', rad2 name='RADAR002')
      2D histogram
           Parameters bins1, bins2 : float array2
                   the bins of each field
               hist_2d: ndarray 2D
                    the 2D histogram
               field_name1, field_name2 : str
                   the names of each field
               fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
               prdcfg: dict
                   product configuration dictionary
               metadata: str
                   a string with metadata to write in the plot
               lin_regr: tupple with 2 values
                    the coefficients for a linear regression
               lin_regr_slope1 : float
                    the intercep point of a linear regression of slope 1
               rad1_name, rad2_name: str
                    name of the radars which data is used
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_scatter_comp (value1, value2, fname_list, labelx='Sensor 1', labely='Sensor 2',
                                           titl='Scatter', axis=None, metadata=None, dpi=72)
      plots the scatter between two time series
           Parameters value1: float array
                    values of the first time series
               value2: float array
                    values of the second time series
               fname_list : list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
               labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
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labely: str
                    The label of the Y axis
                titl: str
                    The figure title
                axis: str
                    type of axis
                metadata: string
                    a string containing metadata
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_sun_hits (field, field_name, fname_list, prdcfg)
      plots the sun hits
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                    object containing the radar data to plot
                field_name : str
                    name of the radar field to plot
                altitude: float
                    the altitude [m MSL] to be plotted
                prdcfg: dict
                    dictionary containing the product configuration
                fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_sun_retrieval_ts (sun_retrieval, data_type, fname_list, dpi=72)
      plots sun retrieval time series series
           Parameters sun_retrieval: tuple
                    tuple containing the retrieved parameters
                data_type : str
                    parameter to be plotted
                fname_list : list of str
                    list of names of the files where to store the plot
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
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list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_surface (grid, field_name, level, prdcfg, fname_list)
     plots a surface from gridded data
           Parameters grid: Grid object
                   object containing the gridded data to plot
               field name: str
                   name of the radar field to plot
               level: int
                   level index
               prdcfg: dict
                   dictionary containing the product configuration
               fname_list : list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_time_range (radar, field_name, ind_sweep, prdcfg, fname_list)
     plots a time-range plot
           Parameters radar: Radar object
                   object containing the radar data to plot
               field_name : str
                   name of the radar field to plot
               ind_sweep : int
                   sweep index to plot
               prdcfg: dict
                   dictionary containing the product configuration
               fname list: list of str
                   list of names of the files where to store the plot
           Returns fname list: list of str
                   list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_timeseries(tvec, data, fname_list, labelx='Time [UTC]', labely='Value', la-
                                        bels=['Sensor'], title='Time Series', period=0, timeformat=None,
                                        colors=None, linestyles=None, markers=None, ymin=None,
                                        ymax=None, dpi=72)
     plots a time series
           Parameters tvec: datetime object
                   time of the time series
               data: list of float array
                   values of the time series
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fname list: list of str

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list of names of the files where to store the plot
                labelx: str
                    The label of the X axis
                labely: str
                    The label of the Y axis
                labels: array of str
                    The label of the legend
                title: str
                    The figure title
                period: float
                    measurement period in seconds used to compute accumulation. If 0 no accumulation is
                    computed
                timeformat: str
                    Specifies the tvec and time format on the x axis
                colors: array of str
                    Specifies the colors of each line
                linestyles: array of str
                    Specifies the line style of each line
                markers: array of str
                    Specify the markers to be used for each line
                ymin, ymax: float
                    Lower/Upper limit of y axis
                dpi: int
                    dots per inch
           Returns fname_list: list of str
                    list of names of the created plots
pyrad.graph.plot_timeseries_comp(date1, value1, date2, value2, fname_list, labelx='Time
                                                [UTC]', labely='Value', label1='Sensor 1', label2='Sensor
                                                2', titl='Time Series Comparison', period1=0, period2=0,
                                                dpi=72)
      plots 2 time series in the same graph
           Parameters date1: datetime object
                    time of the first time series
                value1: float array
                    values of the first time series
                date2: datetime object
                    time of the second time series
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value2: float array

values of the second time series

fname\_list : list of str

list of names of the files where to store the plot

labelx : str

The label of the X axis

labely: str

The label of the Y axis

label1, label2 : str

legend label for each time series

titl: str

The figure title

period1, period2 [float] measurement period in seconds used to compute accumulation. If 0 no accumulation is computed

dpi: int

dots per inch

Returns fname\_list: list of str

list of names of the created plots

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# UTILITIES (PYRAD.UTIL)

Functions to read and write data and configuration files.

### 6.1 Radar Utilities

get_ROI(radar, fieldname, sector)	filter out any data outside the region of interest defined by
<u> </u>	sector
rainfall_accumulation(t_in_vec, val_in_vec)	Computes the rainfall accumulation of a time series over a
	given period
time_series_statistics(t_in_vec, val_in_vec)	Computes statistics over a time-averaged series
<pre>join_time_series(t1, val1, t2, val2[, dropnan])</pre>	joins time_series
<pre>get_range_bins_to_avg(rad1_rng, rad2_rng)</pre>	Compares the resolution of two radars and determines if
	and which radar
find_ray_index(ele_vec, azi_vec, ele, azi[,])	Find the ray index corresponding to a particular elevation
	and azimuth
<pre>find_rng_index(rng_vec, rng[, rng_tol])</pre>	Find the range index corresponding to a particular range
time_avg_range(timeinfo, avg_starttime,)	finds the new start and end time of an averaging
<pre>get_closest_solar_flux(hit_datetime_list,)</pre>	finds the solar flux measurement closest to the sun hit
create_sun_hits_field(rad_el, rad_az,)	creates a sun hits field from the position and power of the
	sun hits
<pre>create_sun_retrieval_field(par, imgcfg)</pre>	creates a sun retrieval field from the retrieval parameters
<pre>compute_quantiles(field[, quantiles])</pre>	computes quantiles
<pre>compute_quantiles_from_hist(bins, hist[,])</pre>	computes quantiles from histograms
compute_quantiles_sweep(field, ray_start,)	computes quantiles of a particular sweep
<pre>compute_2d_hist(field1, field2, field_name1,)</pre>	computes histogram of the data
compute_1d_stats(field1, field2)	returns statistics of data
compute_2d_stats(field1, field2,[,])	computes a 2D histogram and statistics of the data
<pre>compute_histogram(field, field_name[, step])</pre>	computes histogram of the data
compute_histogram_sweep(field, ray_start,)	computes histogram of the data in a particular sweep
quantiles_weighted(values[, weight_vector,])	Given a set of values and weights, compute the weighted
	quantile(s).

pyrad.util.compute\_1d\_stats (field1, field2)
 returns statistics of data

Parameters field1, field2: ndarray 1D

the two fields to compare

Returns stats: dict

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a dictionary with statistics
pyrad.util.compute_2d_hist (field1, field2, field_name1, field_name2, step1=None, step2=None)
     computes histogram of the data
           Parameters field: ndarray 2D
                   the radar field
               field name: str
                   name of the field
               step: float
                   size of bin
           Returns bins: float array
                   interval of each bin
               values: float array
                   values at each bin
pyrad.util.compute_2d_stats (field1, field2, field_name1, field_name2, step1=None, step2=None)
     computes a 2D histogram and statistics of the data
           Parameters field1, field2: ndarray 2D
                   the two fields
               field name1, field nam2: str
                   the name of the fields
               step1, step2: float
                   size of bin
           Returns hist_2d : array
                   the histogram
               bins1, bins2: float array
                   interval of each bin
               stats: dict
                   a dictionary with statistics
pyrad.util.compute_histogram(field_field_name, step=None)
     computes histogram of the data
           Parameters field: ndarray 2D
                   the radar field
               field_name: str
                   name of the field
               step: float
                   size of bin
           Returns bins: float array
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interval of each bin

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values: float array
                   values at each bin
pyrad.util.compute_histogram_sweep(field, ray_start, ray_end, field_name, step=None)
     computes histogram of the data in a particular sweep
           Parameters field: ndarray 2D
                   the radar field
               ray_start, ray_end: int
                   starting and ending ray indexes
               field name: str
                   name of the field
               step: float
                   size of bin
           Returns bins: float array
                   interval of each bin
               values: float array
                   values at each bin
pyrad.util.compute_quantiles (field, quantiles=None)
     computes quantiles
           Parameters field: ndarray 2D
                   the radar field
               ray_start, ray_end: int
                   starting and ending ray indexes
               quantiles: float array
                   list of quantiles to compute
           Returns quantiles: float array
                   list of quantiles
               values: float array
                   values at each quantile
pyrad.util.compute_quantiles_from_hist(bins, hist, quantiles=None)
     computes quantiles from histograms
           Parameters bins: ndarray 1D
                   the bins
               hist: ndarray 1D
                   the histogram
               quantiles: float array
                   list of quantiles to compute
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**Returns quantiles**: float array

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list of quantiles
               values : float array
                   values at each quantile
pyrad.util.compute_quantiles_sweep (field, ray_start, ray_end, quantiles=None)
     computes quantiles of a particular sweep
           Parameters field: ndarray 2D
                   the radar field
               ray_start, ray_end: int
                   starting and ending ray indexes
               quantiles: float array
                   list of quantiles to compute
           Returns quantiles: float array
                   list of quantiles
               values: float array
                   values at each quantile
pyrad.util.create_sun_hits_field(rad_el, rad_az, sun_el, sun_az, data, imgcfg)
     creates a sun hits field from the position and power of the sun hits
           Parameters rad_el, rad_az, sun_el, sun_az : ndarray 1D
                   azimuth and elevation of the radar and the sun respectively in degree
               data: masked ndarray 1D
                   the sun hit data
               imgcfg: dict
                   a dictionary specifying the ranges and resolution of the field to create
           Returns field: masked ndarray 2D
                   the sun hit field
pyrad.util.create_sun_retrieval_field(par, imgcfg)
     creates a sun retrieval field from the retrieval parameters
           Parameters par: ndarray 1D
                   the 5 retrieval parameters
               imgcfg: dict
                   a dictionary specifying the ranges and resolution of the field to create
           Returns field: masked ndarray 2D
                   the sun retrieval field
pyrad.util.find_ray_index(ele_vec, azi_vec, ele, azi, ele_tol=0.0, azi_tol=0.0, nearest='azi')
     Find the ray index corresponding to a particular elevation and azimuth
           Parameters ele_vec, azi_vec : float arrays
                   The elevation and azimuth data arrays where to look for
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ele, azi: floats
                    The elevation and azimuth to search
               ele_tol, azi_tol: floats
                    Tolerances [deg]
               nearest: str
                    criteria to define wich ray to keep if multiple rays are within tolerance. azi: nearest
                    azimuth, ele: nearest elevation
           Returns ind_ray: int
                    The ray index
pyrad.util.find_rng_index(rng_vec, rng, rng_tol=0.0)
      Find the range index corresponding to a particular range
           Parameters rng_vec : float array
                    The range data array where to look for
               rng: float
                    The range to search
               rng_tol: float
                    Tolerance [m]
           Returns ind_rng: int
                    The range index
pyrad.util.get_ROI (radar, fieldname, sector)
      filter out any data outside the region of interest defined by sector
           Parameters radar: radar object
                    the radar object where the data is
               fieldname: str
                    name of the field to filter
               sector: dict
                    a dictionary defining the region of interest
           Returns roi_flag : ndarray
                    a field array with ones in gates that are in the Region of Interest
pyrad.util.get_closest_solar_flux(hit_datetime_list, flux_datetime_list, flux_value_list)
      finds the solar flux measurement closest to the sun hit
           Parameters hit_datetime_list : datetime array
                    the date and time of the sun hit
               flux_datetime_list : datetime array
                    the date and time of the solar flux measurement
               flux_value_list: ndarray 1D
                    the solar flux values
```

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Returns flux_datetime_closest_list : datetime array
                   the date and time of the solar flux measurement closest to sun hit
               flux_value_closest_list: ndarray 1D
                   the solar flux values closest to the sun hit time
pyrad.util.get_range_bins_to_avg(rad1_rng, rad2_rng)
     Compares the resolution of two radars and determines if and which radar has to be averaged and the length of
     the averaging window
           Parameters rad1_rng: array
                   the range of radar 1
               rad2_rng : datetime
                   the range of radar 2
           Returns avg_rad1, avg_rad2 : Boolean
                   Booleans specifying if the radar data has to be average in range
               avg_rad_lim: array with two elements
                   the limits to the average (centered on each range gate)
pyrad.util.join_time_series (t1, val1, t2, val2, dropnan=False)
     joins time series
           Parameters t1: datetime array
                   time of first series
               val1: float array
                   value of first series
               t2: datetime array
                   time of second series
               val2: float array
                   value of second series
               dropnan: boolean
                   if True remove NaN from the time series
           Returns t_out_vec : datetime array
                   the resultant date time after joining the series
               val1_out_vec : float array
                   value of first series
               val2_out_vec : float array
                   value of second series
                                                     weight_vector=None,
pyrad.util.quantiles_weighted(values,
                                                                              quantiles=array([
                                                                                                   0.51),
                                          weight_threshold=None, data_is_log=False)
     Given a set of values and weights, compute the weighted quantile(s).
pyrad.util.rainfall_accumulation(t_in_vec, val_in_vec, cum_time=3600.0, base_time=0.0,
                                              dropnan=False)
     Computes the rainfall accumulation of a time series over a given period
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Parameters t_in_vec : datetime array
                   the input date and time array
               val_in_vec : float array
                   the input values array [mm/h]
               cum time: int
                   accumulation time [s]
               base_time: int
                   base time [s]
               dropnan: boolean
                   if True remove NaN from the time series
           Returns t_out_vec : datetime array
                   the output date and time array
               val_out_vec : float array
                   the output values array
               np_vec : int array
                   the number of samples at each period
pyrad.util.time_avg_range (timeinfo, avg_starttime, avg_endtime, period)
     finds the new start and end time of an averaging
           Parameters timeinfo: datetime
                   the current volume time
               avg_starttime: datetime
                   the current average start time
               avg_endtime: datetime
                   the current average end time
               period: float
                   the averaging period
           Returns new_starttime: datetime
                   the new average start time
               new_endtime : datetime
                   the new average end time
pyrad.util.time_series_statistics(t_in_vec, val_in_vec, avg_time=3600, base_time=1800,
                                                method='mean', dropnan=False)
     Computes statistics over a time-averaged series
           Parameters t_in_vec : datetime array
                   the input date and time array
               val_in_vec : float array
                   the input values array
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 $avg\_time: \mbox{int}$ 

averaging time [s]

base\_time: int

base time [s]

method: str

statistical method **dropnan** : boolean

if True remove NaN from the time series

Returns t\_out\_vec : datetime array

the output date and time array

val\_out\_vec : float array

the output values array

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