
STANDFIRE

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Use Suppose to generate a keyword file. Or use the following example .key:

```

NOSCREEN
RANNSEED          0
!STATS
STDIDENT
STANDFIRE_example
DESIGN             -10          500          5          9
STDINFO            103          140          60.0          0.0          0.0          36.0
INVYEAR            2010
NUMCYCLE            10
TREEDATA
FMIN
END
STATS
SVS                0              0              0              15
FMIn
Potfire
FuelOut
BurnRept
MortRept
FuelRept
SnagSum
End

```

```
PROCESS
STOP
```

If don't have a FVS tree list file, then copy and paste the following text and save it to the same directory where the keyword file lives, give it the same prefix as the `.key` but with a `.tre` extension.:

```
1  95      9PP 105    35              0 0
1  96      OPP 43     17              0 0
1  97      OPP 148    43              2 0
1  98      OPP 49     30              1 0
1  99      9PP 54     30              0 0
1 100      OPP 100    40              3 0
1 101      OPP 42     30              2 0
1 102      OPP 53     34              1 0
1 103      OPP 97     42              3 0
1 104      OPP 61     35              1 0
1 105      OPP 81     40              1 0
1 106      9PP 80     33              0 0
1 107      OPP 41     32              2 0
1 108      9PP 71     40              0 0
1 109      9PP 73     41              0 0
1 110      9PP 94     35              0 0
1 111      9PP 103    32              0 0
```

Once you have a keyword file and a tree list file in the same directory we can start to build a script to do some work.:

```
$ cd /Users/standfire/fvs_exp
$ ls
example.key    example.tre
```

We will use python interactively here for demonstration purposes then present the entire script below.:

```
$ python
Python 2.7.10 (default, Jul 14 2015, 19:46:27)
[GCC 4.2.1 Compatible Apple LLVM 6.0 (clang-600.0.39)] on darwin
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
>>>
```

First we import the `Fvsfuels` class from the `fuels` module.:

```
>>> from standfire.fuels import Fvsfuels
```

Next create an instance of the class passes the desired variant as an argument and register the keyword file.:

```
>>> stand_1 = Fvsfuel("iec")
>>> stand_1.set_keyword("/Users/standfire/fvs_exp/example.key")
TIMEINT not found in keyword file, default is 10 years
```

We get a message telling us that the `TIMEINT` keyword was not found in the keyword file. No problem, STANDFIRE automatically sets this value to 10 years.:

```
>>> stand_1.keywords
{'TIMEINT': 10, 'NUMCYCLE': 10, 'INVYEAR': 2010, 'SVS': 15, 'FUELOUT': 1}
```

Notice the keys in the keywords dictionary. `TIMEINT` is the time interval of the FVS simulation in year, `NUMCYCLE` is the number of cycles, `INVYEAR` is the year of the inventory, and `SVS` and `FUELOUT` are there to check if these keywords are in the keyword file. If the `SVS` and `FUELOUT` keywords are not defined the keyword file then FVS will not calculate tree positions or fuel attributes. So be sure you add these to your keyword file before registering the `.key` with FVS. You can use *post processors** in Suppose to do so. `TIMEINT`, `NUMCYCLE`, and `INVYEAR` can be manually

changed by calling setters for each. For instance, if you only want to calculate fuel attributes for trees during the year of the inventory then simply change the NUMCYCLE value in the keyword dictionary.:

```
>>> stand_1.set_num_cycle(0)
>>> stand_1.keywords
{'TIMEINT': 10, 'NUMCYCLE': 0, 'INVYEAR': 2010, 'SVS': 15, 'FUELOUT': 1}
```

Now that we have our simulation parameters established, we startup FVS.:

```
>>> stand_1.run_fvs()
```

STANDFIRE API Reference

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2.1 fuels module

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2.1.1 Fvsfuels

class `fuels.Fvsfuels` (*variant*)

Bases: `object`

A Fvsfuels object is used to calculate component fuels at the individual tree level using the Forest Vegetation Simulator. To create an instance of this class you need two items: a keyword file (.key) and tree list file (.tre) with the same prefix as the keyword file. If you don't already have a tree list file then you can use `'fuels.Inventory'` class to generate one.

Parameters `variant` (*string*) – FVS variant to be imported

Example:

A basic example to extract live canopy biomass for individual trees during year of inventory

```
>>> from standfire.fuels import Fvsfuels
>>> stand001 = Fvsfuels("iec")
>>> stand001.set_keyword("/Users/standfire/test/example.key")
TIMEINT not found in keyword file, default is 10 years
>>> stand001.keywords
{'TIMEINT': 10, 'NUMCYCLE': 10, 'INVYEAR': 2010, 'SVS': 15, 'FUELOUT': 1}
```

The keyword file is setup to simulate 100 years at a time interval of 10 years. Lets change this to only simulate the inventory year.

```
>>> stand001.set_num_cycles(0)
>>> stand001.keywords
{'TIMEINT': 10, 'NUMCYCLE': 0, 'INVYEAR': 2010, 'SVS': 15, 'FUELOUT': 1}
>>> stand001.run_fvs()
```

Now we can write the trees data frame to disk

```
>>> stand001.save_trees_by_year(2010)
```

Note: The argument must match one of the available variant in the PyFVS module. Search through `standfire/pyfvs/` to see all variants

get_simulation_years ()

Returns a list of the simulated years

Returns simulated year

Return type list of integers

get_snags (*year*)

Returns pandas data fram of the snags by indexed year

Parameters *year* (*int*) – simulation year of the data frame to return

Returns data frame of snags at indexed year

Return type pandas dataframe

Note: If a data frame for the specified year does not exist then a message will be printed to the console.

get_standid ()

Returns stand ID as defined in the keyword file of the class instance

Returns stand ID value

Return type string

get_trees (*year*)

Returns pandas data fram of the trees by indexed year

Parameters *year* (*int*) – simulation year of the data frame to return

Returns data frame of trees at indexed year

Return type pandas dataframe

Note: If a data frame for the specified year does not exist then a message will be printed to the console.

run_fvs ()

Runs the FVS simulation

This method run a FVS simulation using the previously specified keyword file. The simulation will be paused at each time interval and the trees and snag data collected and appended to the fuels attribute of the Fvsfuels object.

Example:

```
>>> from standfire.fuels import Fvsfuels
>>> stand010 = Fvsfuels("iec")
>>> stand010.set_keyword("/Users/standfire/example/test.key")
>>> stand010.run_fvs()
>>> stand010.fuels["trees"][2010]
```

xloc	yloc	species	dbh	ht	crd	cratio	crownwt0	crownwt1	...
33.49	108.58	PIPO	19.43	68.31	8.77	25	33.46	4.7	
24.3	90.4	PIPO	11.46	56.6	5.63	15	6.55	2.33	
88.84	162.98	PIPO	18.63	67.76	9.48	45	75.88	6.89	
...									

save_all()

Writes all data frame in the `fuels` attribute of the class to the specified working directory. Output file are .csv.

save_snags_by_year(year)

Writes snag data frame at indexed year to .csv in working directory

save_trees_by_year(year)

Writes tree data frame at indexed year to .csv in working directory

set_dir(wdir)

Sets the working directory of a Fvsfuels object

This method is called by `Fvsfuels.set_keyword()`. Thus, the default working directory is the folder containing the specified keyword file. If you wish to store simulation outputs in a different directory then use this methods to do so.

Parameters `wdir` (*string*) – path/to/desired_directory

Example

```
>>> from standfire.fuels import Fvsfuels
>>> test = Fvsfuels("emc")
>>> test.set_keyword("/Users/standfire/test/example.key")
```

Whoops, I would like to store simulation outputs elsewhere...

```
>>> test.set_dir("/Users/standfire/outputs/")
```

set_inv_year(inv_year)

Sets inventory year for FVS simulation

Parameters `inv_year` (*int*) – year of the inventory

set_keyword(keyfile)

Sets the keyword file to be used in the FVS simulation

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This method will initialize a FVS simulation by registering the specified keyword file (.key) with FVS. The working directory of a Fvsfuels object will be set to the folder containing the keyword file. You can manually change the working directory with `Fvsfuels.set_dir()`. This function will also call private methods in this class to extract information from the keyword file and set class fields accordingly for use in other methods.

Parameters `keyfile` (*string*) – path/to/keyword_file. This must have a .key extension

Example:

```
>>> from standfire.fuels import Fvsfuels
>>> test = Fvsfuels("iec")
>>> test.set_keyword("/Users/standfire/test/example.key")
```

set_num_cycles(num_cyc)

Sets number of cycles for FVS simulation

Parameters `num_cyc` (*int*) – number of simulation cycles

set_time_int(time_int)

Sets time interval for FVS simulation

Parameters `time_int` (*int*) – length of simulation time step

2.1.2 Inventory

class `fuels.Inventory`

Bases: `object`

This class contains methods for converting inventory data to FVS .tre format

This class currently does not read inventory data from an FVS access database. The FVS_TreeInit database first needs to be exported as comma delimited values. Multiple stands can be exported in the same file, the `formatFvsTreeFile()` function will format a .tre string for each stand. All column headings must be default headings and unaltered during export. You can view the default format by importing this class and typing `FMT`. See the FVS guide ¹ for more information regarding the format of .tre files.

Example:

```
>>> from standfire import fuels
>>> toDotTree = fuels.Inventory()
>>> toDotTree.read_inventory("path/to/FVS_TreeInit.csv")
>>> toDotTree.format_fvs_tree_file()
>>> toDotTree.save()
```

References

`crwratio_percent_to_code()`

Converts crown ratio from percent to ICR code

ICR code is described in the Essential FVS Guide on pages 58 and 59. This method should only be used if crown ratios values are percentages in the FVS_TreeInit.csv. If you use this method before calling `formatFvsTreeFile()` then you must set the optional argument `cratioToCode` to `False`.

`format_fvs_tree_file (cratio_to_code=True)`

Converts data in FVS_TreeInit.csv to FVS .tre format

This methods reads entries in the pandas data frame (`self.data`) and writes them to a formatted text string following FVS .tre data formatting standards shown in `FMT`. If multiple stands exist in `self.data` then each stand will written as a (key,value) pair in `self.fvsTreeFile` where the key is the stand ID and the value is the formatted text string.

Parameters `cratio_to_code` (*boolean*) – default = `True`

Note: If the `crwratio_percent_to_code()` methods has been called prior to call this methods, then the `cratio_to_code` optional argument must be set to `False` to prevent errors in crown ratio values.

Example:

```
>>> toDotTree.format_fvs_tree_file()
>>> toDotTree.fvsTreeFile['Stand_ID_1']
5  1  5      OPP 189    65      3      0 0
5  2  15     OPP 110    52      2      0 0
5  3  5      OPP 180    64      5      0 0
5  4  14     OPP 112    56      3      0 0
5  5  6      OPP 167    60      4      0 0
5  6  5      OPP 190    60      5      0 0
5  7  7      OPP 161    62      3      0 0
5  8  86     OPP 46     37      1      0 0
```

¹ Gary E. Dixon, Essential FVS: A User's Guide to the Forest Vegetation Simulator Tech. Rep., U.S. Department of Agriculture , Forest Service, Forest Management Service Center, Fort Collins, Colo, USA, 2003.

5	9	10	OPP	130	50	2	0	0
5	10	5	OPP	182	60	3	0	0
5	11	8	9PP	144	50		0	0
6	1	16	OPP	107	42	4	0	0
6	2	109	OPP	41	27	2	0	0
...								

get_fvs_cols()

Get list of FVS standard columns

Returns FVS standard columns

Return type list of strings

get_stands()

Returns unique stand IDs

Returns stand IDs

Return type list of strings

Example:

```
>>> toDotTree.get_stands()
['BR', 'TM', 'SW', HB']
```

print_format_standards()

Print FVS formatting standards

The FVS formatting standard for .tre files as described in the Essential FVS Guide is stored in FMT as a class attribute. This method is for viewing this format. The keys of the dictionary are the column headings and values are as follows: 0 = variable name, 1 = variable type, 2 = column location, 3 = units, and 4 = implied decimal place.

Example:

```
>>> toDotTree.print_format_standards()
{'Plot_ID'      : ['ITRE',      'integer',  [0,3],    None,    None],
 'Tree_ID'      : ['IDTREE2',   'integer',  [4,6],    None,    None],
 'Tree_Count'   : ['PROB',      'integer',  [7,12],   None,    None],
 'History'      : ['ITH',       'integer',  [13,13],  'trees', 0 ],
 'Species'      : ['ISP',       'alphanum', [14,16],  None,    None],
 'DBH'          : ['DBH',       'real',     [17,20],  'inches', 1 ],
 'DG'           : ['DG',        'real',     [21,23],  'inches', 1 ],
 'Ht'           : ['HT',        'real',     [24,26],  'feet',   0 ],
 'HtTopK'       : ['THT',       'real',     [27,29],  'feet',   0 ],
 'HTG'          : ['HTG',       'real',     [30,33],  'feet',   1 ],
 'CrRatio'      : ['ICR',       'integer',  [34,34],  None,    None],
 'Damage1'      : ['IDCD(1)',   'integer',  [35,36],  None,    None],
 'Severity1'     : ['IDCD(2)',   'integer',  [37,38],  None,    None],
 'Damage2'      : ['IDCD(3)',   'integer',  [39,40],  None,    None],
 'Severity2'     : ['IDCD(4)',   'integer',  [41,42],  None,    None],
 'Damage3'      : ['IDCD(5)',   'integer',  [43,44],  None,    None],
 'Severity3'     : ['IDCD(6)',   'integer',  [45,46],  None,    None],
 'TreeValue'     : ['IMC',      'integer',  [47,47],  None,    None],
 'Prescription' : ['IPRSC',     'integer',  [48,48],  None,    None],
 'Slope'        : ['IPVARS(1)', 'integer',  [49,50],  'percent', None],
 'Aspect'       : ['IPVARS(2)', 'integer',  [51,53],  'code',   None],
 'PV_Code'      : ['IPVARS(3)', 'integer',  [54,56],  'code',   None],
 'TopoCode'     : ['IPVARS(4)', 'integer',  [57,59],  'code',   None],
```

'SitePrep'	:	['IPVARS(5)', 'integer', [58,58], 'code', None],
'Age'	:	['ABIRTH', 'real', [59,61], 'years', 0]}

See page 61 and 62 in the Essential FVS Guide.

read_inventory (*fname*)

Reads a .csv file containing tree records.

The csv must be in the correct format as described in FMT. This method check the format of the file by calling a private method `_is_correct_format()` that raises a value error.

Parameters *fname* (*string*) – path to and file name of the Fvs_TreeInit.csv file

Example:

```
>>> from standfire import fuels
>>> toDotTree = fuels.Inventory()
>>> toDotTree.readInventory("path/to/FVS_TreeInit.csv")
>>> np.mean(toDotTree.data['DBH'])
9.0028318584070828
```

The `read_inventory()` method stores the data in a pandas data frame. There are countless operations that can be performed on these objects. For example, we can explore the relationship between diameter and height by fitting a linear model

```
>>> import statsmodels.formula.api as sm
>>> fit = sm.ols(formula="HT ~ DBH", data=test.data).fit()
>>> print fit.params
Intercept    19.688167
DBH           2.161420
dtype: float64
>>> print fit.summary()
OLS Regression Results
=====
Dep. Variable:          Ht      R-squared:                0.738
Model:                  OLS    Adj. R-squared:             0.736
Method:                 Least Squares    F-statistic:          351.8
Date:                  Tue, 07 Jul 2015    Prob (F-statistic):    3.77e-38
Time:                  08:32:02    Log-Likelihood:       -407.10
No. Observations:      127    AIC:                  818.2
Df Residuals:          125    BIC:                  823.9
Df Model:              1
Covariance Type:       nonrobust
=====
coef    std err          t      P>|t|      [95.0% Conf. Int.]
-----
Intercept    19.6882      1.205     16.338     0.000      17.303      22.073
DBH           2.1614      0.115     18.757     0.000       1.933       2.389
=====
Omnibus:                 2.658    Durbin-Watson:          0.995
Prob(Omnibus):            0.265    Jarque-Bera (JB):        2.115
Skew:                    -0.251    Prob(JB):                0.347
Kurtosis:                 3.385    Cond. No.:               23.8
=====
```

Read more about pandas at <http://pandas.pydata.org/>

save (*outputPath*)

Writes formatted fvs tree files to specified location

If multiple stands exist in the FVS_TreeInit then the same number of files will be created in the specified directory. The file names will be the same as the Stand_ID with a `.tre` extension.

Parameters `outputPath` (*string*) – directory to store output `.tre` files

Note: This method will throw an error if it is called prior to the `format_fvs_tree_file()` method.

2.2 intervene module

The intervene module is a collection of treatment algorithms

Contents:

2.2.1 SpaceCrowns

class `intervene.SpaceCrowns` (*trees*)

Bases: `intervene.BaseSilv`

Variables `crown_space` – instance variable for crown spacing; initial value = 0

add_to_treatment_collection (*treatment, ID*)

Adds treatment to static class attribute in `intervene.BaseSilv()`

clear_treatment_collection ()

Deletes all treatment currently in the treatment collection class attribute

get_distance (*tree_a, tree_b*)

Calculate the distance between two trees

Uses Pythagoras' theorem to calculate distance between two tree crowns in units of input data frame

Parameters

- **tree_a** (*int*) – indexed row of tree a in Pandas data frame
- **tree_b** (*int*) – indexed row of tree b in Pandas data frame

Returns distance between two crowns in units of input data frame

Return type float

get_treatment_options ()

Returns dictionary of treatment options

Returns treatment option codes and description

Return type dictionary

get_trees ()

Returns the trees data frame of the object

Returns trees data frame

Return type `Pandas.DataFrame`

set_crown_space (*crown_space*)

Sets spacing between crowns for the treatment

Parameters `crown_space` (*float*) – crown spacing in units of input data frame

treat ()

Treatment algorithm for removing trees based on input crown spacing

Todo

Optimize algorithm by incorporating `search_rad`.

Todo

split this function into 3

treatment_collection = {}

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