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# **Chapter 1**

# **Solar Farm Calculator**

A software tool to model a generic solar photovoltaic farm.

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#### **Description:**

Models the technical and financial details of a photovoltaic farm. The user specifies the parameters of the site which then calculates the expected output energy at the grid entry point (GEP).

A site and grid entry point can be selected using GPS coordinates which assist in calculating the insolation from the sun using PySolar. System components such as panels, DC and AC cables, inverter, transformer and transmission lines can be specified using the graphical user interface, which will then run the model simulation.

The outputs from the simulation can be listed and plotted for the user to determine if the parameters produce a viable solar farm.

#### How to run

In it's current state, the calculator should run on any operating system that supports python and the dependant packges.

**Install Dependancies** 

The packages that this project depends on are

- NumPy
- MatPlotLib
- PySolar
- wxPython 2.9

Special thanks goes out to the above projects for providing such great tools!

OpenExchangeRates.org API Key

An API key is required from OpenExchangeRates.org. The free API key will suffice for this project as there is a limit to how often the software will hit the API for new data. When you have gotten an API key place it at the top

**Solar Farm Calculator** of Assets.py to ensure the exchange rates are retreieved.

# Chapter 2

# **Hierarchical Index**

# 2.1 Class Hierarchy

This inheritance list is sorted roughly, but not completely, alphabetically:

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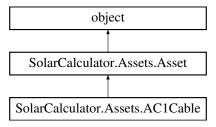
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# **Chapter 4**

# **Class Documentation**

# 4.1 Solar Calculator. Assets. AC1 Cable Class Reference

 $Inheritance\ diagram\ for\ Solar Calculator. Assets. AC1 Cable:$ 



### **Public Member Functions**

- def init
- def getStrandNum
- def getDiameter
- def getMaterial
- · def getLength

# **Public Attributes**

- strandNum
- · diameter
- material
- · length

# **Additional Inherited Members**

# 4.1.1 Detailed Description

Class that stores the information relating to the AC cable between the inverter and the transformer.

#### 4.1.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.1.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC1Cable.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, strandNum, diameter, material, length, costPerMeter, currency = ' USD', depRate = 0 )

Initialise the AC cable object.

#### 4.1.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.1.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC1Cable.getDiameter ( self )

Return the cable diameter.

### 4.1.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC1Cable.getLength ( self )

Return the length of the cable.

#### 4.1.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC1Cable.getMaterial ( self )

Return the cable material.

#### 4.1.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC1Cable.getStrandNum ( self )

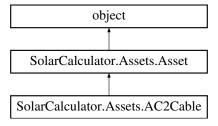
Return the number of strands for the AC1 cable.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

### 4.2 SolarCalculator. Assets. AC2Cable Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. AC2Cable:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getStrandNum
- def getDiameter
- def getMaterial
- · def getLength

#### **Public Attributes**

- strandNum
- diameter
- · material
- · length

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

#### 4.2.1 Detailed Description

Class that stores the information relating the transmission line between the solar farm and the grid entry point

#### 4.2.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.2.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC2Cable.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, strandNum, diameter, material, length, costPerMeter, currency = ' USD', depRate = 0 )

Initialise the GEP object

#### 4.2.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.2.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC2Cable.getDiameter ( self )

Return the strand diameter

### 4.2.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC2Cable.getLength ( self )

Return the length of the strand

### 4.2.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.AC2Cable.getMaterial ( self )

Return the strand material

# 4.2.3.4 def Solar Calculator. Assets. A C2 Cable. get Strand Num ( self )

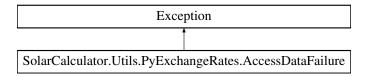
Return the number of strands in ACC or ACSR cable

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Assets.py

# 4.3 Solar Calculator. Utils. Py Exchange Rates. Access Data Failure Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.AccessDataFailure:



# 4.3.1 Detailed Description

Exception for when there is no data on the currencies - either from file or from the internet

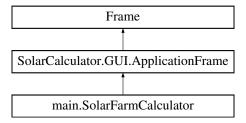
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

# 4.4 SolarCalculator.GUI.ApplicationFrame Class Reference

Class ApplicationFrame.

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.GUI.ApplicationFrame:



# **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def del
- def evt\_closeApp\_clicked
- def evt\_textEnter\_validateNumber
- def evt\_runSimulation\_clicked
- def evt\_calculateTXCableLength\_checked

#### **Public Attributes**

- ApplicationTabs
- Calculator
- siteCost\_label
- siteCost\_input
- siteCost\_currency
- siteAppreciation\_label
- siteAppreciation\_input
- siteAppreciation\_units
- · siteLatitude\_label
- siteLatitude\_input
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- · financialInterestRate\_input
- · financialInterestRate units
- · financialMiscExpenses\_label
- · financialMiscExpenses\_input
- · financialMaintenance label
- · financialMaintenance input
- · financialMaintenance\_units
- · financialPowerPrice\_label
- · financialPowerPrice\_input
- · financialPowerPrice\_units
- · simulationStart label
- · simulationStart input
- simulationEnd\_label
- · simulationEnd\_input
- · runSimulation button
- · panelVoltage\_label
- · panelVoltage\_input
- · panelVoltage units
- · panelAngle\_label
- · panelAngle\_input
- · panelAngle\_units
- · panelRating\_label
- panelRating\_input
- · panelRating units
- · panelDegradation\_label
- · panelDegradation\_input
- · panelDegradation\_units
- panelArea label
- · panelArea\_input
- · panelArea units
- · panelCost label
- · panelCost\_input

- panelCost\_currency
- · panelCost\_units
- panelDepreciation\_label
- · panelDepreciation\_input
- · panelDepreciation units
- · circuitBreakerCost\_label
- · circuitBreakerCost input
- circuitBreakerCost\_currency
- · circuitBreakerCost units
- · circuitBreakerDepreciation label
- · circuitBreakerDepreciation\_input
- · circuitBreakerDepreciation units
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- · DCCableMaterial label
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- · DCCableLength units
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- · inverterCost\_input
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- ACCableNumStrands\_input
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- ACCableMaterial\_input
- · ACCableLength label
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- transformerOutputVoltage\_input
- · transformerOutputVoltage\_units
- transformerEfficiency\_label
- · transformerEfficiency\_input
- · transformerEfficiency units
- transformerRating\_label
- · transformerRating\_input
- · transformerRating units
- transformerCost\_label
- transformerCost\_input
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- TXCableDiameter\_input
- TXCableDiameter\_units
- TXCableNumStrands label
- TXCableNumStrands input
- TXCableMaterial\_label
- TXCableMaterial\_input
- TXCableLength\_label
- TXCableLength\_input
- · TXCableLength\_units
- TXCableCalculateLength\_label
- TXCableCalculateLength\_checkBox
- TXCableCost\_label
- TXCableCost\_input
- TXCableCost currency
- TXCableCost units
- TXCableDepreciation\_label
- TXCableDepreciation\_input
- TXCableDepreciation\_units
- SolarFarmModel
- solarFarmModelBitmap
- Settings
- settingsPlaceHolderLabel
- Help
- · settingsPlaceHolderLabel1

#### 4.4.1 Detailed Description

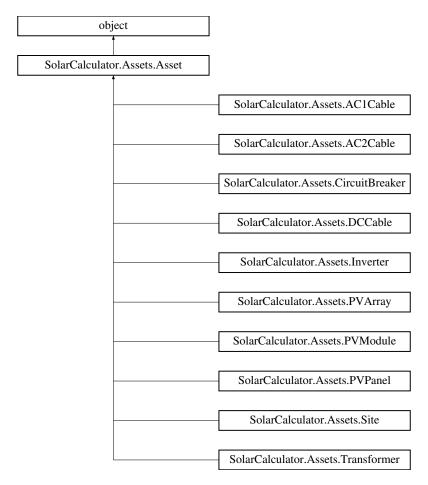
Class ApplicationFrame.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/GUI.py

# 4.5 SolarCalculator.Assets.Asset Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Asset:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getCost
- def getDepreciatedValue
- def getDepRate
- def getCurrency

#### **Public Attributes**

- cost
- depRate

#### **Static Public Attributes**

• exchange = CURRENCY\_EXCHANGE

## 4.5.1 Detailed Description

Asset superclass for PV farm components. Contains the financial data relating to the asset.

#### 4.5.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 4.5.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Asset.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, cost, currency, depRate = 0 )

Initialise the asset superclass object.

#### 4.5.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.5.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Asset.getCost ( self )

Return the cost of the asset.

#### 4.5.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Asset.getCurrency ( self )

Return the currency of the asset's cost.

#### 4.5.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Asset.getDepRate ( self )

Return the asset depreciation rate of the asset.

#### 4.5.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Asset.getDepreciatedValue ( self, timedelta )

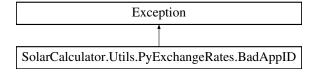
Returns the assets value factoring in depreciation over the given time.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

# 4.6 Solar Calculator. Utils. Py Exchange Rates. Bad Appl Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Utils. PyExchangeRates. BadAppID:



#### 4.6.1 Detailed Description

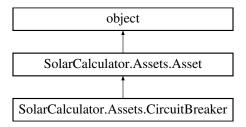
Thrown when the app  $\operatorname{id}$  for the open currency exchange is invalid

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

# 4.7 SolarCalculator.Assets.CircuitBreaker Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Circuit Breaker:



#### **Public Member Functions**

def \_\_init\_\_

### **Additional Inherited Members**

# 4.7.1 Detailed Description

Class for storing information relating to a circuit breaker

#### 4.7.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.7.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.CircuitBreaker.\_\_init\_\_( self, cost, currency = 'USD', depRate = 0)

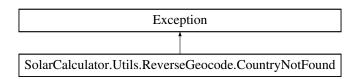
Initialise the circuit breaker class object

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

# 4.8 Solar Calculator. Utils. Reverse Geocode. Country Not Found Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.Utils.ReverseGeocode.CountryNotFound:



### 4.8.1 Detailed Description

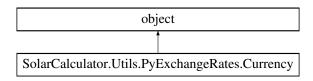
Raised when the geocode could not find a country

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Utils/ReverseGeocode.py

# 4.9 SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Currency Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Utils. PyExchangeRates. Currency:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def \_\_str\_\_

#### **Public Attributes**

- key
- baseKey
- rate
- name

### 4.9.1 Detailed Description

Class to store information about a currency

#### 4.9.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.9.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Currency.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, key, baseKey, rate, name )

Initialise a currency object

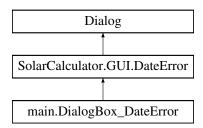
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

# 4.10 SolarCalculator.GUI.DateError Class Reference

Class DateError.

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.GUI.DateError:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def \_\_del\_\_
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Public Attributes**

- · dateErrorTitleLabel
- dateErrorFormLabel
- dateError\_button

# 4.10.1 Detailed Description

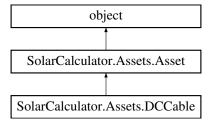
#### Class DateError.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/GUI.py

# 4.11 SolarCalculator. Assets. DCCable Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. DCCable:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getDiameter
- def getMaterial
- · def getLength

# **Public Attributes**

- · diameter
- material
- · length

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

# 4.11.1 Detailed Description

Class to store the information relating to the DC cable between the PV array and the inverter.

#### 4.11.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.11.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.DCCable.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, diameter, material, length, costPerMeter, currency = 'USD', depRate = 0 )

Initialise a DC cable object.

#### 4.11.3 Member Function Documentation

4.11.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.DCCable.getDiameter ( self )

Return the cable diameter.

4.11.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.DCCable.getLength ( self )

Return the length of the cable.

4.11.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.DCCable.getMaterial ( self )

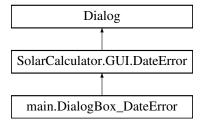
Return the cable material.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

# 4.12 main.DialogBox\_DateError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox\_DateError:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

#### 4.12.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

## 4.12.1.1 def main.DialogBox\_DateError.\_\_init\_\_ ( self )

Creates the "Date Error" dialog box and uses the given string as the error message. the program will quit when the dialog is dismissed

#### 4.12.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.12.2.1 def main.DialogBox\_DateError.evt\_dialogOK\_clicked ( self, event )

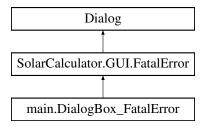
Closes the window when the OK button is pressed

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

# 4.13 main.DialogBox\_FatalError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox\_FatalError:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_\_init\_\_
- · def evt\_dialogCloseProgram\_clicked

## **Additional Inherited Members**

#### 4.13.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

# 4.13.1.1 def main.DialogBox\_FatalError.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, errorMessage )

Creates the "Fatal Error" dialog box and uses the given string as the error message. the program will quit when the dialog is dismissed

### 4.13.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.13.2.1 def main.DialogBox\_FatalError.evt\_dialogCloseProgram\_clicked ( self, event )

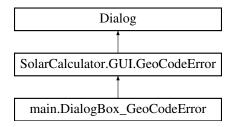
Terminates the program after the user has been notified of a fatal error

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

# 4.14 main.DialogBox\_GeoCodeError Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox\_GeoCodeError:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

# 4.14.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 4.14.1.1 def main.DialogBox\_GeoCodeError.\_\_init\_\_ ( self )

Creates the "GeoCode Error" dialog box and uses the given string as the error message. the program will quit when the dialog is dismissed

#### 4.14.2 Member Function Documentation

# $4.14.2.1 \quad def\ main.DialogBox\_GeoCodeError.evt\_dialogOK\_clicked \left( \ \textit{self, event} \ \right)$

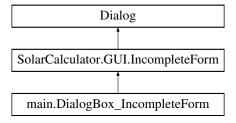
Closes the window when the OK button is pressed

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

# 4.15 main.DialogBox\_IncompleteForm Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox\_IncompleteForm:



# **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

### 4.15.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 4.15.1.1 def main.DialogBox\_IncompleteForm.\_\_init\_\_ ( self )

Creates the "Incomplete Form" dialog box and shows it as a modal dialog which blocks the program until it is dismissed

#### 4.15.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.15.2.1 def main.DialogBox\_IncompleteForm.evt\_dialogOK\_clicked ( self, event )

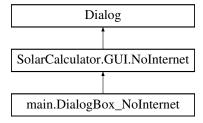
Closes the window when the OK button is pressed

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

main.py

# 4.16 main.DialogBox\_NoInternet Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox\_NoInternet:



# **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

#### 4.16.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

#### 4.16.1.1 def main.DialogBox\_NoInternet.\_\_init\_\_ ( self )

Creates the "No Internet" dialog box and shows it as a modal dialog which blocks the program until it is dismissed

# 4.16.2 Member Function Documentation

# $4.16.2.1 \quad def \ main. Dialog Box\_No Internet. evt\_dialog OK\_clicked \left( \ \textit{self, event} \ \right)$

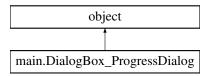
Closes the window when the OK button is pressed

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

main.py

# 4.17 main.DialogBox\_ProgressDialog Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox ProgressDialog:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def update
- · def closeDialog

#### **Public Attributes**

progressBox

#### 4.17.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

```
4.17.1.1 def main.DialogBox_ProgressDialog.__init__ ( self, parent, maxItems = 100)
```

Dialog box to show while the simulation is in progress  $% \left( 1,2,...,n\right) =1$ 

#### 4.17.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.17.2.1 def main.DialogBox\_ProgressDialog.closeDialog ( self )

Closes the dialog box

#### 4.17.2.2 def main.DialogBox\_ProgressDialog.update ( self, itemsLeft, newMessage = None )

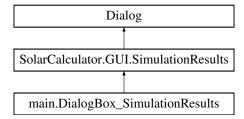
Passes the dialog the updated amount of items left in the simulation queue

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

# 4.18 main.DialogBox\_SimulationResults Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.DialogBox\_SimulationResults:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

#### 4.18.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

 $4.18.1.1 \quad def\ main. Dialog Box\_Simulation Results.\_\_init\_\_( \ \textit{self, simulationResults} \ )$ 

Creates the "Fatal Error" dialog box and uses the given string as the error message. the program will quit when the dialog is dismissed

#### 4.18.2 Member Function Documentation

4.18.2.1 def main.DialogBox\_SimulationResults.evt\_dialogOK\_clicked ( self, event )

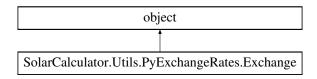
Closes the window when the OK button is pressed

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

# 4.19 Solar Calculator. Utils. Py Exchange Rates. Exchange Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Utils. PyExchange Rates. Exchange:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def withdraw

#### **Public Attributes**

- appID
- · filename
- · currencies
- lastUpdated

# 4.19.1 Detailed Description

Object to store currencies and update them with the OpenExchangeRates API

#### 4.19.2 Member Function Documentation

4.19.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Exchange.withdraw ( self, amount, currencyKey )

Creates a money object that points to this exchange with the given amount of the given currency

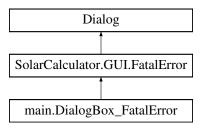
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

# 4.20 SolarCalculator.GUI.FatalError Class Reference

Class FatalError.

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.GUI.FatalError:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def \_\_del\_\_
- def evt\_dialogCloseProgram\_clicked

#### **Public Attributes**

- fatalErrorTitleLabel
- fatalErrorLabel
- · fatalError\_button

# 4.20.1 Detailed Description

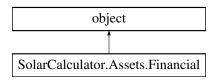
Class FatalError.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/GUI.py

# 4.21 Solar Calculator. Assets. Financial Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Financial:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def init
- · def getDailyMaintenance
- def addToLoan
- def makeLoanPayment
- def accumlateDailyInterest
- def getCurrentLoanValue
- def amountInBaseCurrency
- def getBaseCurrency
- def getPowerPrice

# **Public Attributes**

- baseCurrency
- interestRate
- maintenance
- loan
- powerPrice

# **Static Public Attributes**

• exchange = CURRENCY\_EXCHANGE

#### 4.21.1 Detailed Description

Class that stores the information relating to the finanical data that is independent of the solar farm

#### 4.21.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.21.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, maintenance, miscExpenses, interestRate, powerPrice, baseCurrency = 'USD' )

Initialise the Financial object

## 4.21.3 Member Function Documentation

## 4.21.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.accumlateDailyInterest ( self )

Adds interest to the intial expenses loan

#### 4.21.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.addToLoan ( self, cost )

Adds money to the initial cost

## 4.21.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.amountlnBaseCurrency ( self, money )

Returns the value of a money object in the base currency of the loan

#### 4.21.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.getBaseCurrency ( self )

Returns the three letter code of the base currency

#### 4.21.3.5 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.getCurrentLoanValue ( self )

Returns the current value of the loan

#### 4.21.3.6 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.getDailyMaintenance ( self )

Return the maintenance budget per year

## 4.21.3.7 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.getPowerPrice ( self )

Return the selling rate of power

#### 4.21.3.8 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Financial.makeLoanPayment ( self, payment )

Pays back money to the loan for the initial costs

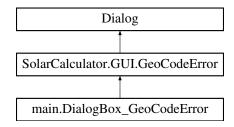
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.22 SolarCalculator.GUI.GeoCodeError Class Reference

Class GeoCodeError.

 $Inheritance\ diagram\ for\ Solar Calculator. GUI. Geo Code Error:$ 



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def \_\_del\_\_
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Public Attributes**

- geoCodeErrorTitleLabel
- geoCodeErrorFormLabel
- geoCodeError\_button

## 4.22.1 Detailed Description

Class GeoCodeError.

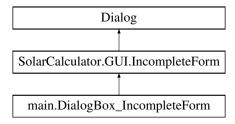
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/GUI.py

## 4.23 SolarCalculator.GUI.IncompleteForm Class Reference

Class IncompleteForm.

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.GUI.IncompleteForm:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def \_\_del\_\_
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

## **Public Attributes**

- incompleteFormTitleLabel
- incompleteFormLabel
- · incompleteForm\_button

## 4.23.1 Detailed Description

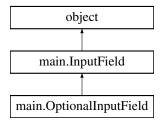
Class IncompleteForm.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/GUI.py

## 4.24 main.InputField Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.InputField:



### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def setLabelColour
- · def setFieldValue
- · def validateField

## **Public Attributes**

- · field
- label
- condition
- upperLimit
- lowerLimit

## **Static Public Attributes**

- tuple **RED** = (255,0,0, 200)
- tuple **BLACK** = (0,0,0)
- tuple **WHITE** = (255,255,255,255)

## 4.24.1 Detailed Description

Stores an input field and corrsponding label and encapsulates validation of the input field

#### 4.24.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.24.2.1 def main.InputField.setFieldValue ( self, value )

Allows an external program to set the value in the field for testing purposes

#### 4.24.2.2 def main.InputField.setLabelColour ( self, colour )

Sets the colour of the wxStaticText label, colour is a 3 or 4 length tuple of RGB or RGBA values between 0-255

#### 4.24.2.3 def main.InputField.validateField ( self )

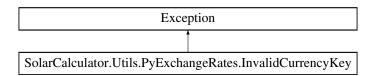
Validates the input in the wxTextCtl inputField to be purely numeric. Condition can be either a string containing "p" or "n" to contrain the inputField to positive or negative numbers respectivly, and can also contain "i" to specify the number must be an integer. These can be combined, for instance "pi" specifies a positive integer. If the field is valid the wxStaticText label fieldLabel's colour text is set to black, otherwise it is set to red. The funtion returns the fields value if the input was valid, otherwise it returns false.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

## 4.25 Solar Calculator. Utils. Py Exchange Rates. Invalid Currency Key Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Utils. PyExchangeRates. InvalidCurrencyKey:



## 4.25.1 Detailed Description

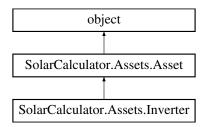
Thrown when a currency key is given that is not in the Exchange

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

## 4.26 Solar Calculator. Assets. Inverter Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Inverter:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getPowerFactor
- · def getEfficiency
- def getVoltage

## **Public Attributes**

- powerFactor
- · efficiency
- · voltage

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

## 4.26.1 Detailed Description

Class to store the information relating to the Inverter.

#### 4.26.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.26.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Inverter.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, powerFactor, efficiency, voltage, cost, currency = 'USD', depRate = 0 )

Initialise an inverter object.

## 4.26.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.26.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Inverter.getEfficiency ( self )

Return the efficiency of the inverter between 0 and 1.

#### 4.26.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Inverter.getPowerFactor ( self )

Return the power factor.

## 4.26.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Inverter.getVoltage ( self )

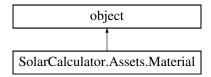
Return the output voltage of the inverter.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.27 Solar Calculator. Assets. Material Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Material:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getResistivity
- def getTempCoefficient

## **Public Attributes**

- name
- · resistivity
- tempCoefficient

## 4.27.1 Detailed Description

Class object for a material.

#### 4.27.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.27.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Material.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, name, resistivity, tempCoefficient )

Initialise a material object.

## 4.27.3 Member Function Documentation

## 4.27.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Material.getResistivity ( self )

Return the resistivity of the material.

## 4.27.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Material.getTempCoefficient ( self )

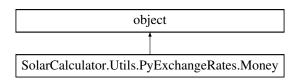
Return the temperature coefficient of the material.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.28 SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Utils. PyExchangeRates. Money:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def getAmount
- def setAmount
- def getCurrencyKey
- def getExchange
- def convert
- def \_\_str\_\_
- def add
- def \_\_sub\_\_\_
- def mul
- def div

#### **Public Attributes**

- · amount
- currencyKey
- exchange

#### 4.28.1 Detailed Description

Object to represent a certain amount of a currency withdrawn from an exchange

#### 4.28.2 Member Function Documentation

## 4.28.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.\_\_add\_\_ ( self, other )

Adds two currencies together. The resulting currency is United States Dollars

## 4.28.2.2 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.\_\_div\_\_ ( self, other )

Divides two currencies together. The resulting currency is United States Dollars by default

### 4.28.2.3 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.\_\_mul\_\_ ( self, other )

Multiplies currencies together. The resulting currency is United States Dollars by default

#### 4.28.2.4 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.\_\_str\_\_ ( self )

Allows the object to be printed using "print"

## 4.28.2.5 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.\_\_sub\_\_ ( self, other )

Subtracts two currencies together. The resulting currency is United States Dollars

#### 4.28.2.6 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.convert ( self, currencyKey )

Takes a given currency key and returns a new Money object of the given currency

#### 4.28.2.7 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.getAmount ( self )

Returns the amount

## 4.28.2.8 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.getCurrencyKey ( self )

Returns the currency key

## ${\it 4.28.2.9} \quad {\it def Solar Calculator. Utils. Py Exchange Rates. Money. get Exchange \left( \begin{array}{c} \textit{self} \end{array} \right)}$

Returns the pointer to the exhange that the money was withdrawn from

## 4.28.2.10 def SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.Money.setAmount ( self, amount )

Sets the amount

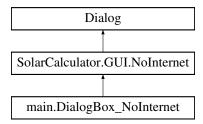
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

## 4.29 SolarCalculator.GUI.NoInternet Class Reference

Class NoInternet.

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.GUI.NoInternet:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def \_\_del\_\_
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

## **Public Attributes**

- · noInternetTitleLabel
- noInternetLabel
- · noInternet\_button

## 4.29.1 Detailed Description

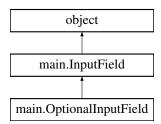
#### Class NoInternet.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/GUI.py

## 4.30 main.OptionalInputField Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main. Optional Input Field:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def init
- · def getCheckboxState
- · def validateField

### **Public Attributes**

checkbox

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

### 4.30.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.30.1.1 def main.OptionalInputField.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, field, label, checkbox, condition = ' ', upperLimit = False, lowerLimit = False)

Initialises the input field superclass and saves the  ${\it checkbox}$ 

#### 4.30.2 Member Function Documentation

## 4.30.2.1 def main.OptionalInputField.getCheckboxState ( self )

Returns the state of the checkbox so the simulation can be told wether or not the value is valid or needs to be calculated. True if the checkbox is checked, otherwise False.

#### 4.30.2.2 def main.OptionalInputField.validateField ( self )

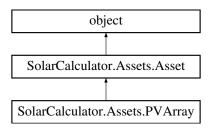
If the field is to be calculated from other field values return a placeholder value, otherwise validate like normal. The placeholder value is required as the fields that depend on this one need to be validated first

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

## 4.31 SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. PVArray:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getModuleType
- def getModuleNum
- · def getVoltage
- def getAngle
- def getArea

## **Public Attributes**

- moduleType
- moduleNum
- angle
- · voltage

## **Additional Inherited Members**

## 4.31.1 Detailed Description

Class to store the information relating to a PV array. An array contains PV modules.

#### 4.31.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.31.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, moduleType, moduleNum, arrayAngle )

Initialise a PV array object.

## 4.31.3 Member Function Documentation

### 4.31.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray.getAngle ( self )

Return the angle of the PV panels.

#### 4.31.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray.getArea ( self )

Calculates the total area of the panels in  $m^2$ .

#### 4.31.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray.getModuleNum ( self )

return the number of modules within the array.

## 4.31.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray.getModuleType ( self )

Return the module type within the array.

## 4.31.3.5 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVArray.getVoltage ( self )

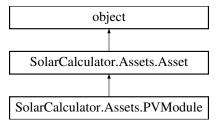
Return the voltage of the array.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.32 Solar Calculator. Assets. PVM odule Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. PVM odule:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def getPanelType
- · def getVoltage
- def getArea
- def getPanelNum

## **Public Attributes**

- panelType
- · panelNum
- · voltage

#### **Additional Inherited Members**

## 4.32.1 Detailed Description

Class to store information relating to a solar PV module. A module contains PV panels.

## 4.32.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

## 4.32.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVModule.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, panelType, panelNum )

Initialise a PV module object.

#### 4.32.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.32.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVModule.getArea ( self )

Calculates the total area of the panels in  $m^2$ .

## 4.32.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVModule.getPanelNum ( self )

Return the number of panels within a module

#### 4.32.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVModule.getPanelType ( self )

Return the panel object within the module.

## 4.32.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVModule.getVoltage ( self )

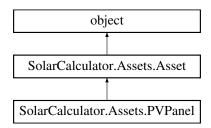
Return the module voltage.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.33 SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. PVP anel:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def getVoltage
- def getEfficiency
- def getDegradationRate
- def getArea
- · def getRating

#### **Public Attributes**

- voltage
- · degradationRate
- · area
- rating

## **Additional Inherited Members**

## 4.33.1 Detailed Description

Class to store information relating to a solar PV panel.

#### 4.33.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.33.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, voltage, rating, degradationRate, area, cost, currency = 'USD', depRate = 0 )

Initialise a PV panel object.

## 4.33.3 Member Function Documentation

## 4.33.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel.getArea ( self )

Return the panel surface area.

## 4.33.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel.getDegradationRate ( self )

Return the panel asset degradation rate.

#### 4.33.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel.getEfficiency ( self )

Return the panel efficiency between 0 and 1 (converts from a percentage).

## 4.33.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel.getRating ( self )

Return the rating of the panel in watts.

#### 4.33.3.5 def SolarCalculator.Assets.PVPanel.getVoltage ( self )

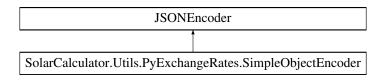
Return the panel voltage.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.34 Solar Calculator. Utils. Py Exchange Rates. Simple Object Encoder Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.Utils.PyExchangeRates.SimpleObjectEncoder:



#### **Public Member Functions**

• def default

#### 4.34.1 Detailed Description

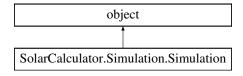
Allows simple objects which contain no methods to be encoded by returning them as a dictionary

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

• SolarCalculator/Utils/PyExchangeRates.py

## 4.35 Solar Calculator. Simulation. Simulation Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation:



### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_
- · def getStartDate
- def setStartDate
- def getFinishDate
- def setFinishDate
- def runPower
- def getPowerProgress
- def getPowerResults
- def runFinancial
- def getFinancialResults

#### **Public Attributes**

- start
- · finish
- numDays
- days
- numThreads
- simulationTimestepMins
- · parameters
- · powerResults
- · financialResults
- inputQueue
- outputQueue

## 4.35.1 Detailed Description

Object to contain the simulation parameters

#### 4.35.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.35.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, start, finish, PVPanel, PVModule, PVArray, DCCable, Inverter, AC1Cable, Transformer, AC2Cable, CircuitBreaker, Site, Financial, numThreads = 5, simulationTimestepMins = 30)

Initilise the simulation

## 4.35.3 Member Function Documentation

### 4.35.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation.getFinancialResults ( self )

Returns the financial results

## 4.35.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation.getPowerProgress ( self )

Returns percentage of days simulated in the power simulation as a number between 0 and 100

## 4.35.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation.getPowerResults ( self )

Processes and gets the power results. Blocks until the power simulation is finished.

### 4.35.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation.runFinancial ( self )

Runs the finicial simulation, requires the results from power flow simulation. Blocks until complete

#### 4.35.3.5 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.Simulation.runPower ( self )

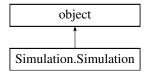
Runs the power flow simulation

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

SolarCalculator/Simulation.py

## 4.36 Simulation. Simulation Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for Simulation. Simulation:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- · def getStartDate
- def setStartDate
- · def getFinishDate
- def setFinishDate
- def runPower
- def getPowerProgress
- · def getPowerResults
- def runFinancial
- def getFinancialResults

## **Public Attributes**

- start
- finish
- numDays
- · days
- numThreads
- · simulationTimestepMins
- · parameters
- powerResults
- financialResults
- · inputQueue
- outputQueue

## 4.36.1 Detailed Description

Object to contain the simulation parameters  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($ 

## 4.36.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.36.2.1 def Simulation.Simulation.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, start, finish, PVPanel, PVModule, PVArray, DCCable, Inverter, AC1Cable, Transformer, AC2Cable, CircuitBreaker, Site, Financial, numThreads = 5, simulationTimestepMins = 30)

Initilise the simulation

## 4.36.3 Member Function Documentation

## 4.36.3.1 def Simulation.Simulation.getFinancialResults ( self )

Returns the financial results

#### 4.36.3.2 def Simulation.Simulation.getPowerProgress ( self )

Returns percentage of days simulated in the power simulation as a number between 0 and 100

#### 4.36.3.3 def Simulation.Simulation.getPowerResults ( self )

Processes and gets the power results. Blocks until the power simulation is finished.

#### 4.36.3.4 def Simulation.Simulation.runFinancial ( self )

Runs the finicial simulation, requires the results from power flow simulation. Blocks until complete

#### 4.36.3.5 def Simulation.Simulation.runPower ( self )

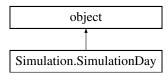
Runs the power flow simulation. Spawns

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· Simulation.py

## 4.37 Simulation.SimulationDay Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for Simulation.SimulationDay:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def setElectricalEnergy
- def getElectricalEnergy
- · def setElectricalEffciency
- · def getElectricalEffciency
- def setTotalEffciency
- def getTotalEffciency

#### **Public Attributes**

- · date
- · parameters
- · peakCurrent\_DC
- peakCurrent AC1
- peakCurrent AC2
- averagePower
- electricalEnergy
- electricalEffciency
- · totalEffciency
- sunnyTime

#### 4.37.1 Detailed Description

Contains a date object with a day to simulate, as well as the output data from the simulation  $\ \ \,$ 

#### 4.37.2 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.37.2.1 def Simulation.SimulationDay.getElectricalEffciency ( self )

Gets the average electrical effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the output of the solar panels and the grid connection point

#### 4.37.2.2 def Simulation.SimulationDay.getElectricalEnergy ( self )

Gets the electrical energy from the simulation

## 4.37.2.3 def Simulation.SimulationDay.getTotalEffciency ( self )

Gets the average total effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the solar energy in and the energy out at the grid connection point

### 4.37.2.4 def Simulation.SimulationDay.setElectricalEffciency ( self, electricalEffciency )

Sets the average electrical effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the output of the solar panels and the grid connection point

## 4.37.2.5 def Simulation.SimulationDay.setElectricalEnergy ( self, electricalEnergy )

Sets the electrical energy from the simulation  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +\left($ 

## 4.37.2.6 def Simulation.SimulationDay.setTotalEffciency ( self, totalEffciency )

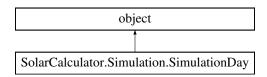
Sets the average total effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the solar energy in and the energy out at the grid connection point  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· Simulation.py

## 4.38 Solar Calculator. Simulation. Simulation Day Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def setElectricalEnergy
- def getElectricalEnergy
- · def setElectricalEffciency
- · def getElectricalEffciency
- def setTotalEffciency
- def getTotalEffciency

#### **Public Attributes**

- date
- · parameters
- peakCurrent DC
- peakCurrent\_AC1
- peakCurrent\_AC2
- averagePower
- · electricalEnergy
- · electricalEffciency
- totalEffciency
- sunnyTime

## 4.38.1 Detailed Description

Contains a date object with a day to simulate, as well as the output data from the simulation  $\$ 

## 4.38.2 Member Function Documentation

## 4.38.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay.getElectricalEffciency ( self )

Gets the average electrical effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the output of the solar panels and the grid connection point

## 4.38.2.2 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay.getElectricalEnergy ( self )

Gets the electrical energy from the simulation  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +\left($ 

#### 4.38.2.3 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay.getTotalEffciency ( self )

Gets the average total effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the solar energy in and the energy out at the grid connection point

#### 4.38.2.4 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay.setElectricalEffciency ( self, electricalEffciency )

Sets the average electrical effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the output of the solar panels and the grid connection point  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

## 4.38.2.5 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay.setElectricalEnergy ( self, electricalEnergy )

Sets the electrical energy from the simulation  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right) +\left($ 

#### 4.38.2.6 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.SimulationDay.setTotalEffciency ( self, totalEffciency )

Sets the average total effciency from the day simulated, that is the effciency between the solar energy in and the energy out at the grid connection point

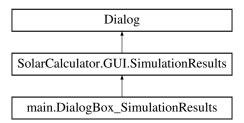
The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Simulation.py

## 4.39 Solar Calculator. GUI. Simulation Results Class Reference

Class SimulationResults.

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator.GUI.SimulationResults:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def del
- def evt\_dialogOK\_clicked

#### **Public Attributes**

- simulationResultsTitleLabel
- simulationResultsLabel
- · simulationResults\_button

## 4.39.1 Detailed Description

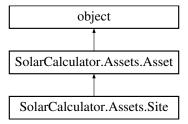
Class SimulationResults.

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/GUI.py

## 4.40 SolarCalculator. Assets. Site Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Site:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getTransformerNum
- def getArrayNum
- def getCircuitBreakerNum
- · def getInverterNum
- def getLatitude
- def getLongitude
- def getTemperature

## **Public Attributes**

- transformerNum
- arrayNum
- circuitBreakerNum
- inverterNum
- temperature
- landPrice
- landAppRate
- latitude
- longitude

## **Additional Inherited Members**

## 4.40.1 Detailed Description

Class that stores the information relating to the solar farm site

#### 4.40.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.40.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, transformerNum, arrayNum, circuitBreakerNum, inverterNum, latitude, longitude, temperature, landPrice, landAppRate = 0, currency = 'USD')

Initialise the solar farm site object

#### 4.40.3 Member Function Documentation

#### 4.40.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.getArrayNum ( self )

Return the number of arrays within the site

## 4.40.3.2 def Solar Calculator. Assets. Site. get Circuit Breaker Num ( self )

Return the number of circuit breakers within the site

#### 4.40.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.getInverterNum ( self )

Return the number of inverters

#### 4.40.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.getLatitude ( self )

Return the site latitude

### 4.40.3.5 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.getLongitude ( self )

Return the site longitude

## 4.40.3.6 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.getTemperature ( self, month )

Get the temperature of the site during the given month, months are specified as 1 for January and 12 for December

#### 4.40.3.7 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Site.getTransformerNum ( self )

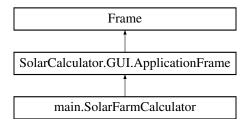
Return the number of transformers within the site

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

## 4.41 main.SolarFarmCalculator Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for main.SolarFarmCalculator:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def evt\_closeApp\_clicked
- · def evt\_runSimulation\_clicked
- def evt\_calculateTXCableLength\_checked

## **Public Attributes**

- inputFields
- · optionalInputFields
- · selectors

#### 4.41.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

## 4.41.1.1 def main.SolarFarmCalculator.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, parent )

Intialises the main parent window of the program  $% \left( \left( 1\right) \right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right$ 

#### 4.41.2 Member Function Documentation

## 4.41.2.1 def main.SolarFarmCalculator.evt\_calculateTXCableLength\_checked ( self, event )

Enables and disables the tx cable length text ctrl when the "Calculate Cable Length" checkbox is toggled

#### 4.41.2.2 def main.SolarFarmCalculator.evt\_closeApp\_clicked ( self, event )

Terminates the program when the red cross is clicked on the main window

## $4.41.2.3 \quad \text{def main.SolarFarmCalculator.evt\_runSimulation\_clicked} \; ( \ \ \textit{self, event} \; )$

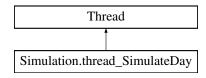
Event that is run when the "Run Simulation" button is clicked. This will validate all the inputs, check for an internet connection and run the simulation if all the inputs are correct. Otherwise an error dialog is show telling the user what they did wrong

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· main.py

## 4.42 Simulation.thread\_SimulateDay Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for Simulation.thread SimulateDay:



#### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def run

## **Public Attributes**

- timestep\_mins
- inputQueue
- outputQueue

#### 4.42.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.42.1.1 def Simulation.thread\_SimulateDay.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, inputQueue, outputQueue, timestep\_mins )

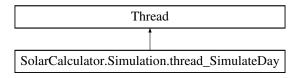
Takes an input of SimulationDay objects, runs the simulation for that day and stores the result inside the SimulationDay object before pushing it to the output queue

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· Simulation.py

## 4.43 SolarCalculator.Simulation.thread\_SimulateDay Class Reference

 $Inheritance\ diagram\ for\ Solar Calculator. Simulation. thread\_Simulate Day:$ 



### **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def run

## **Public Attributes**

- timestep\_mins
- inputQueue
- outputQueue

#### 4.43.1 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

## 4.43.1.1 def SolarCalculator.Simulation.thread\_SimulateDay.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, inputQueue, outputQueue, timestep\_mins )

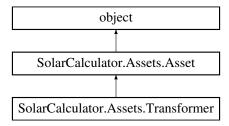
Takes an input of SimulationDay objects, runs the simulation for that day and stores the result inside the SimulationDay object before pushing it to the output queue

The documentation for this class was generated from the following file:

· SolarCalculator/Simulation.py

## 4.44 Solar Calculator. Assets. Transformer Class Reference

Inheritance diagram for SolarCalculator. Assets. Transformer:



## **Public Member Functions**

- def \_\_init\_\_
- def getVoltage
- def getEfficiency
- · def getVARating
- def getScrapValue

## **Public Attributes**

- voltage
- efficiency
- VARating

## **Additional Inherited Members**

## 4.44.1 Detailed Description

Class that stores the information relating to a transformer.

## 4.44.2 Constructor & Destructor Documentation

4.44.2.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Transformer.\_\_init\_\_ ( self, voltage, efficiency, VARating, cost, currency = 'USD', depRate = 0 )

Initialise the transformer object

## 4.44.3 Member Function Documentation

## 4.44.3.1 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Transformer.getEfficiency ( self )

Return the efficiency of the transformer between 0 and 1  $\,$ 

## 4.44.3.2 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Transformer.getScrapValue ( self )

Return the scrap value of the cable

## 4.44.3.3 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Transformer.getVARating ( self )

Return the rating of the transformer (MVA)

#### 4.44.3.4 def SolarCalculator.Assets.Transformer.getVoltage ( self )

Return the high voltage side of the transformer

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· SolarCalculator/Assets.py

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