

Paraxial Ray Tracing in Python

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Housekeeping

```
11 import numpy as np
12 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
13 import matplotlib as mpl
14 import matplotlib.animation as animation
15
16 #Housekeeping to set plot parameters and close any open figure
17 plt.close()
18 font = {'weight' : 'bold',
19         'size'   : 22}
20
21 mpl.rc('font', **font)
22
```

Input Data for Lens System

```

23  %% Lens Data (input as surfaces)
24  """
25  Area to input lens system paramters. Two examples are given to show how to make the system.
26  Assumes even number of surfaces.
27  """
28  surf_pow=[0.015071,0,-0.011662,-0.016327,0.005736,0.01424,0.02,0.01]
29  surf_dis=[40,8.74,11.05,2.78,7.63,9.54,20,4,100]
30  surf_ind=[1,1.617,1,1.649,1,1.617,1,3,1]
31  surf_tot=8
32
33  lenstot=int(surf_tot/2)
34  lens_pos=[]
35  for ii in range(lenstot):
36      lens_pos.append([sum(surf_dis[0:(ii*2+1)]),30,surf_dis[ii*2+1],surf_ind[ii*2+1]])
37
38  """
39  surf_pow=[0.00125,0.00125]
40  surf_dis=[10,4,450]
41  surf_ind=[1,1.516824,1]
42  surf_tot=2
43
44  lenstot=1
45  lens_pos=[[surf_dis[0],40,surf_dis[1]]]
46  """

```

Marginal and Chief Ray

```
47  %% Ray data [marginal ray, chief ray]
48  h=[14.93368,-14*np.pi/180*surf_dis[0]-6.9574]
49  ang=[0,14*np.pi/180]
50
51  #h=[20,-5*np.pi/180*surf_dis[0]]
52  #ang=[0,5*np.pi/180]
53
54
```

N Rays

```
47  %% Ray data
48
49  #Ray data is populated below by giving amount of rays and an angle
50
51  nray_m=80
52  nray_a=80
53  angle=5
54  h_m=np.linspace(-20,20,nray_m)
55  h_a=np.linspace(-angle*np.pi/180*surf_dis[0]-20,-angle*np.pi/180*surf_dis[0]+20,nray_a)
56  ang_m=np.zeros(nray_m)
57  ang_a=np.ones(nray_a)*angle*np.pi/180
58
59  tot=len(h_m)+len(h_a)
60  h=np.reshape([h_m,h_a],(1,tot))[0]
61  ang=np.reshape([ang_m,ang_a],(1,tot))[0]
62
63
```

Paraxial Ray Tracing Equations

```
55  %% paraxial equations
56
57  def refract(nin,nout,ang,y,lpow):
58      return (nin*ang-y*lpow)/nout
59
60  def prop(y,ang,dis):
61      return (ang*dis+y)
62
```

Figure Generation

```
93 xlimlow=0
94 xlimhigh=sum(surf_dis)+5
95 ylimlow=-(max(h)+25)
96 ylimhigh=-ylimlow
97
98 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10), dpi=80, facecolor='w', edgecolor='k')
99 ax = fig.add_subplot(111, aspect='equal', xlim=(xlimlow, xlimhigh), ylim=(ylimlow,
    ↳ ylimhigh),ylabel="Ray height (mm)",xlabel="Distance (mm)",title="Ray Tracing System")
100 ax.grid()
101
```

Plot Lenses

```
102 ### Place paraxial lenses
103 for ii in range(0,lenstot):
104     lens_use=lens_pos[ii]
105     xl=lens_use[0]
106     yl=lens_use[1]
107     wl=lens_use[2]
108     ax.add_patch(mpl.patches.Rectangle((xl,-yl), width=wl, height=2*yl, angle=0.0,
        ↪     color='b',alpha=lens_use[3]/max(surf_ind)))
109
110
```

Marginal and Chief Ray

```
111 %% generate lines for animation from ray plot
112 plotlays, plotcols = [2], ["black","red"]
113 lines = []
114 for index in range(2):
115     lobj = ax.plot([],[],lw=2,color=plotcols[index])[0]
116     lines.append(lobj)
117
118 def init():
119     for line in lines:
120         line.set_data([],[])
121     return lines
122
123 def animate(i):
124     xu = [x[0:i],x[0:i]]
125     yu = [y_marg[0:i],y_chief[0:i]]
126     for lnum,line in enumerate(lines):
127         line.set_data(xu[lnum], yu[lnum]) # set data for each line separately.
128     return lines
129
130 ani = animation.FuncAnimation(fig, animate, interval=1, blit=True, init_func=init)
131
132 plt.show()
```

N Rays

```
114 %% generate lines for animation from ray plot
115 plotcols=["blue"]*nray_m+["red"]*nray_a
116
117 lines = []
118 for index in range(rays):
119     lobj = ax.plot([],[],lw=2,color=plotcols[index])[0]
120     lines.append(lobj)
121
122 def init():
123     for line in lines:
124         line.set_data([],[])
125     return lines
126
127 def animate(i):
128     xu=[]
129     yu=[]
130     for ll in range(rays):
131         xu.append(x[0:i])
132         yu.append(y_set[0:i,ll])
133     for lnum,line in enumerate(lines):
134         line.set_data(xu[lnum], yu[lnum]) # set data for each line separately.
135     return lines
136
137 ani = animation.FuncAnimation(fig, animate, interval=1, blit=True, init_func=init)
138
139 plt.show()
```

Examples

Lets go see the code in action