

3D data Visualization

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2 Tools available

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What is visualization?

Visual representation of data

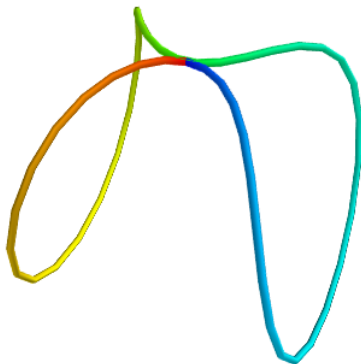
3D visualization

Harder but important

Is this Graphics?

Visualization is about data!

Examples: trajectory in space



Examples: Fire in a room

Demo of data

10 m

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Overview

- Simple
- Convenient
- Full-featured

Getting started

Vanilla:

```
$ ipython -wthread
```

with Pylab:

```
$ ipython -pylab -wthread
```

Using mlab

```
In []: from enthought.mayavi import mlab
```

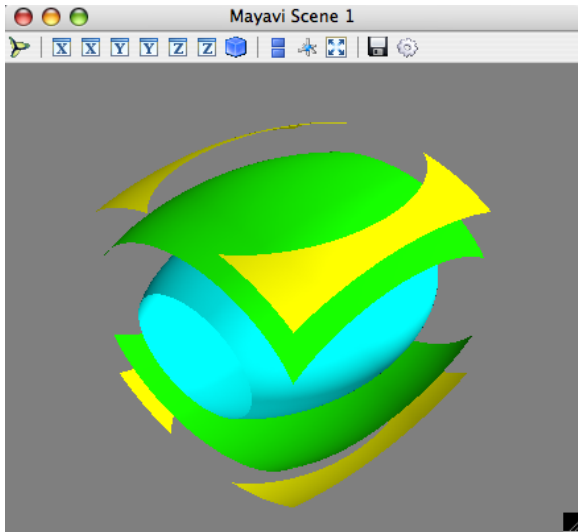
Try these


```
In []: mlab.test_<TAB>
```

```
In []: mlab.test_contour3d()
```

```
In []: mlab.test_contour3d??
```

Exploring the view



- Mouse
- Keyboard
- Toolbar
- Mayavi icon 

mlab plotting functions

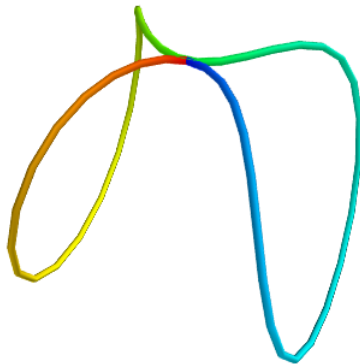
0D data



```
In []: t = linspace(0, 2*pi, 50)
In []: u = cos(t) * pi
In []: x, y, z = sin(u), cos(u), sin(t)

In []: mlab.points3d(x, y, z)
```

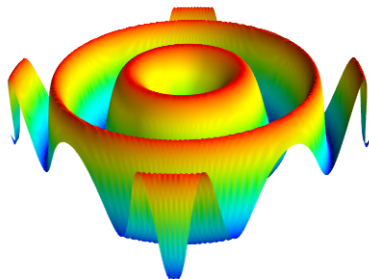
1D data



```
In []: mlab.plot3d(x, y, z, t)
```

Plots lines between the points

2D data



```
In []: x, y = mgrid[-3:3:100j,-3:3:100j]
```

```
In []: z = sin(x*x + y*y)
```

```
In []: mlab.surf(x, y, z)
```

Assumes the points are rectilinear

mgrid

```
In []: mgrid[0:3,0:3]
```

```
Out []:
```

```
array([[0, 0, 0],  
       [1, 1, 1],  
       [2, 2, 2]],  
  
       [[0, 1, 2],  
       [0, 1, 2],  
       [0, 1, 2]])
```

```
In []: mgrid[-1:1:5j]
```

```
Out []: array([-1., -0.5,  0.,  0.5,  1.])
```

Example

```
In []: x, y = mgrid[-1:1:5j, -1:1:5j]
```

```
In []: z = x*x + y*y
```

```
In []: z
```

```
Out []:
```

```
array([[ 2.    ,  1.25,  1.    ,  1.25,  2.    ],
       [ 1.25,  0.5  ,  0.25,  0.5  ,  1.25],
       [ 1.    ,  0.25,  0.    ,  0.25,  1.    ],
       [ 1.25,  0.5  ,  0.25,  0.5  ,  1.25],
       [ 2.    ,  1.25,  1.    ,  1.25,  2.    ]])
```

2D data: *mlab.mesh*

```
In []: mlab.mesh(x, y, z)
```

Points needn't be regular

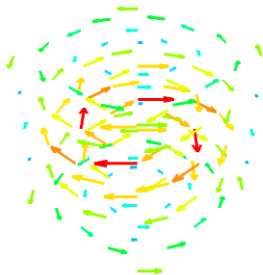
```
In []: phi, theta = mgrid[0:pi:20j,  
...                        0:2*pi:20j]  
In []: x = sin(phi)*cos(theta)  
In []: y = sin(phi)*sin(theta)  
In []: z = cos(phi)  
In []: mlab.mesh(x, y, z,  
...            representation=  
...            'wireframe')
```

3D data



```
In []: x, y, z = mgrid[-5:5:64j,  
...                 -5:5:64j,  
...                 -5:5:64j]  
In []: mlab.contour3d(x*x*0.5 + y*y +  
                     z*z*2)
```

3D vector data: `mlab.quiver3d`



```
In []: mlab.test_quiver3d()
```

```
obj = mlab.quiver3d(x, y, z, u, v, w)
```

30 m

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- Interactive visualization of data (think Matlab)
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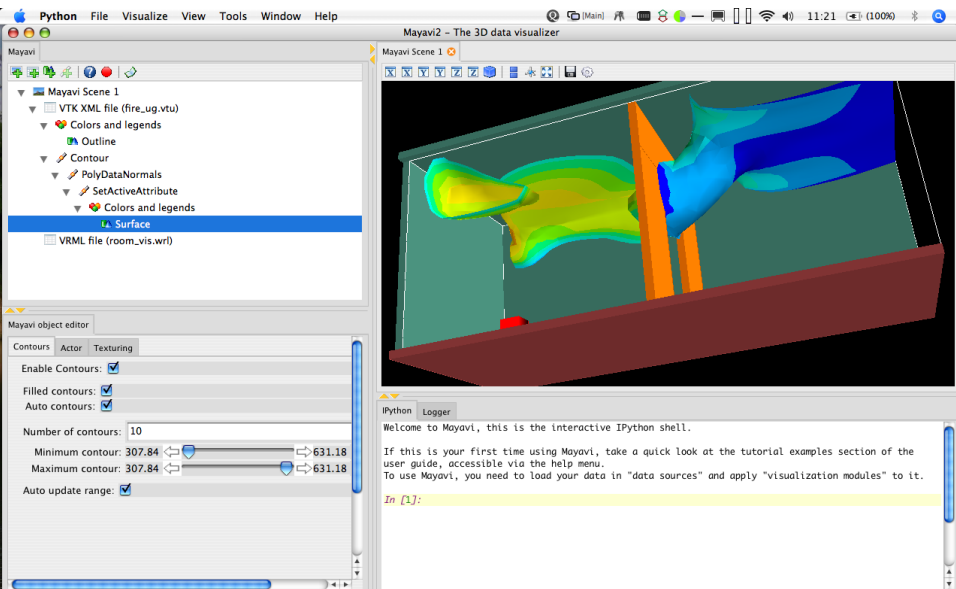
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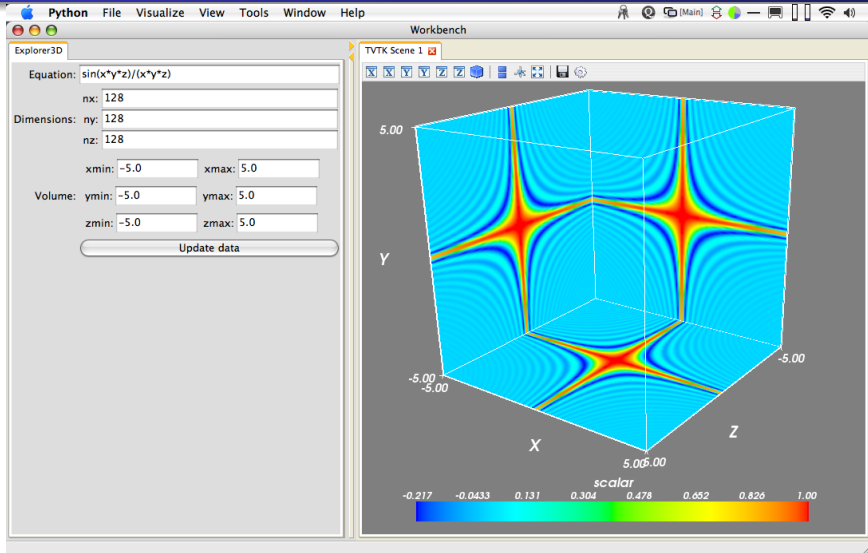
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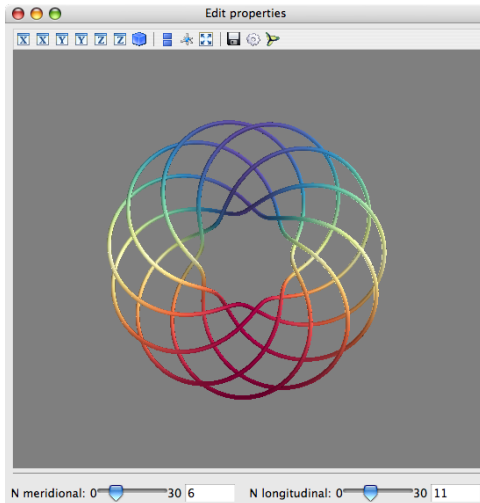
Overview of features



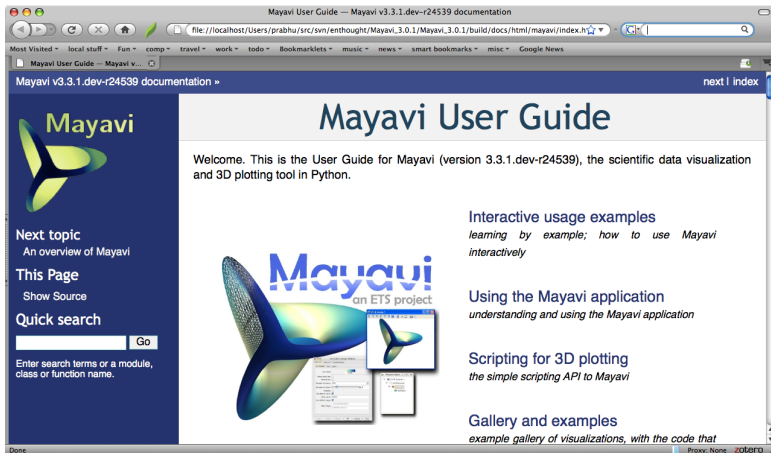
Mayavi in applications



Live in your dialogs



Exploring the documentation



Summary

- `http://code.enthought.com/projects/mayavi`
- Uses VTK (`www.vtk.org`)
- BSD license
- Linux, win32 and Mac OS X
- Highly scriptable
- Embed in Traits UIs (wxPython and PyQt4)
- Envisage Plugins
- Debian/Ubuntu/Fedora
- **Pythonic**

Getting hands dirty!

Motivational problem

Atmospheric data of temperature over the surface of the earth. Let temperature (T) vary linearly with height (z):

$$T = 288.15 - 6.5z$$

Simple solution

```
lat = linspace(-89, 89, 37)
lon = linspace(0, 360, 37)
z = linspace(0, 100, 11)

x, y, z = mgrid[0:360:37j,-89:89:37j,
                0:100:11j]

t = 288.15 - 6.5*z
mlab.contour3d(x, y, z, t)
mlab.outline()
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Exercise: Lorenz equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = s(y - x)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = rx - y - xz$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = xy - bz$$

Let $s = 10$,

$r = 28$,

$b = 8./3$.

Region of interest

```
x, y, z = mgrid[-50:50:20j, -50:50:20j,  
                -10:60:20j]
```

Solution

```
def lorenz(x,y,z,s=10.,r=28.,b=8./3.):  
    u = s*(y-x)  
    v = r*x-y-x*z  
    w = x*y-b*z  
    return u,v,w  
  
x,y,z = mgrid [-50:50:20j,-50:50:20j,  
               -10:60:20j ]  
  
u,v,w = lorenz( x , y , z )  
  
# Your plot here  
  
mlab.show()
```

We have covered:

- Need of visualization.
- Using mlab to create 3 D plots.
- Mayavi Toolkit.