ReflectoRay

Ray Reflection Simulation in Python

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Introduction

Overview

- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ The Python script simulates the reflection of rays off mirrors.
- · Utilizes Turtle graphics for visualization.
- Options to save the simulation as an image or record it as a video.

Script Components

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- · parse_arguments: Command line argument parsing.
- load_initial_conditions: Loading initial conditions from a JSON file.
- setup_screen: Setting up the Turtle screen for simulation.
- · draw_mirrors: Drawing mirrors on the Turtle screen.
- create_ray: Creating a Turtle object representing a ray.
- simulate_rays: Simulating the reflection of rays off mirrors.

Simulation Process

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- · Mirrors, sources, and angles are initialized.
- Turtle graphics used for visualization.
- · Rays are simulated, and reflections are calculated.
- Options to save images or record videos.

Run Simulation

Running the Simulation

- Execute the script from the command line.
- Specify optional arguments: -i (image) and -v (video).
- $\cdot \ \ \text{Initial conditions loaded from } \textbf{initial_conditions.json}.$



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- Turtle graphics provides a simple way to visualize ray reflection.
- · Options for saving images and videos enhance the utility of the script.
- Further customization and improvements can be made based on specific requirements.