

Notes workshop yt

Introduce main concepts

Dataset

- metadata
- unit system
- config & options
- loadable + derivable fields

! Think about it as the method section about the simulation

Ex: `ds = yt.load("output-00080")`

Data Container

- basic metadata
- sphere center, radius, ...
- actual data ⚠️ data are immutable!

! Think about it as the analysis section

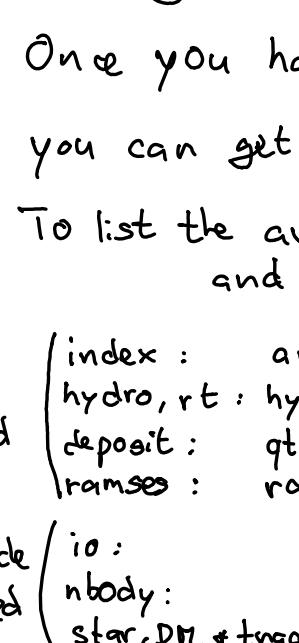
Ex: `sp = ds.sphere(center, radius)`
`ad = ds.all_data()`
`grid = ds.covering_grid(left, right, level)`

`sp["gas", "density"]` # 1D array
`grid["gas", "temperature"]` # 3D array

Index (this is technical, but useful to understand how yt works)

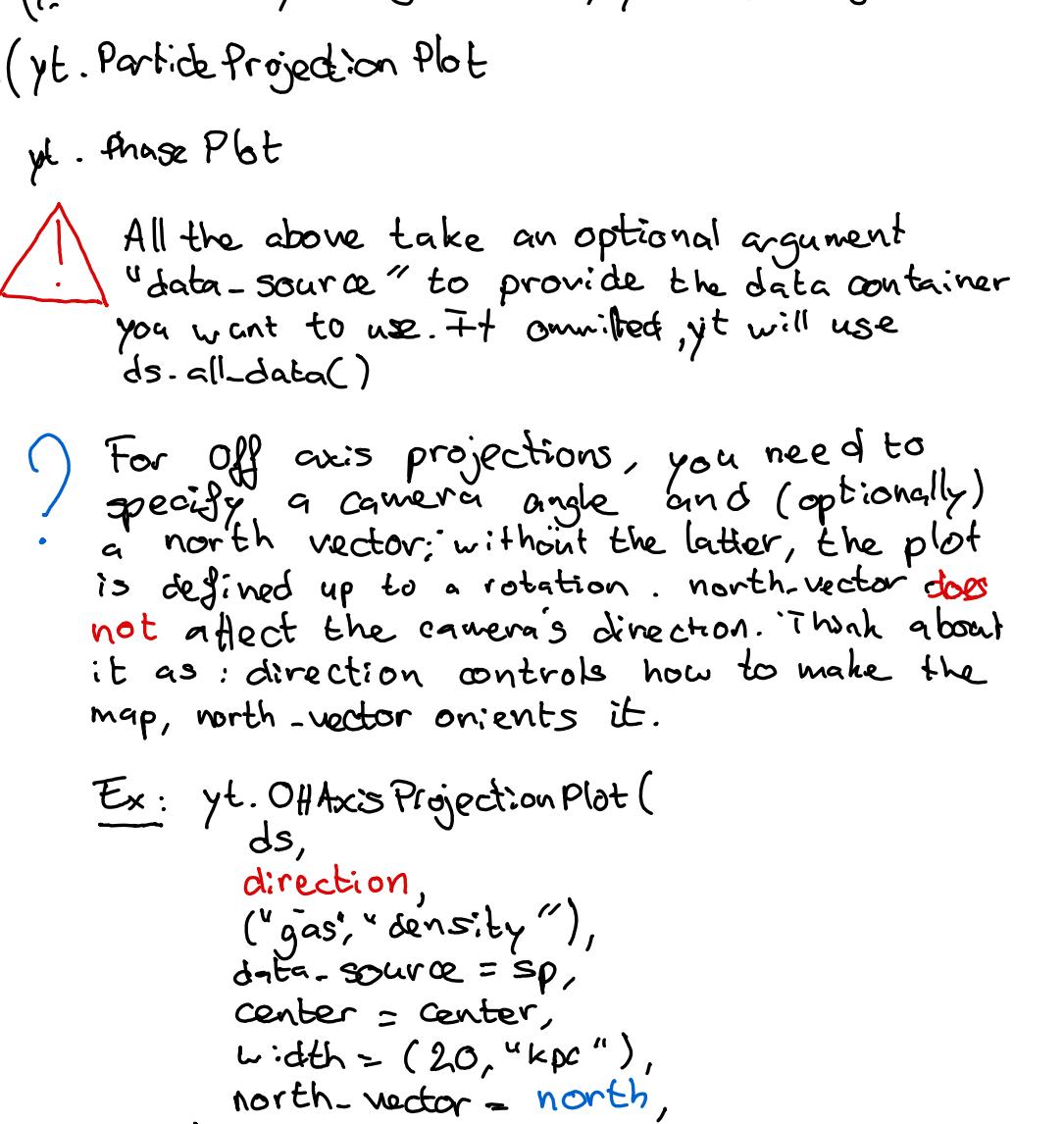
- mapping from (x, y, z, level) to (file, position-in-file)
- built internally from hilbert keys (since yt 4.4)
+ amr files

One example



Ex: `ds = yt.load("output-00080")`
Will trigger point 1 only
`sp = ds.sphere(center, radius)`
Will trigger points 2-5
`sp["gas", "density"]`
will trigger points 2'-3'
`sp["star", "particle-position"]`

What happened internally?



Note: yt's Hilbert key intersection is somewhat similar to the bounding box option in e.g. amr2cube BUT

- it returns fewer false positives,
- works with arbitrary 3D geometries.

1. Compute bounding box of selection
2. Split smallest axis into at least three chunks with size $\Delta x = 2^{-n}$
3. Fill bound. box with cubes of size Δx
4. Reject cubes fully outside selection (red)
5. For all others, find range of Hilbert keys at level n in cube
6. Build union of CPUs which have Hilbert key ranges overlapping with any range of step 5.

Getting the raw data

Once you have - a dataset
- a data container
you can get the raw data in it.

To list the available fields: `ds.field_list`
and derived ones: `ds.derived_field_list`

cell based
`index : amr structure`
`hydro, rt : hydro and rt data`
`deposit : qties interpolated from particles`
`trimesh : raw qties as read from disk`

particle based
`io : all particles (DM, stars, ...)`
`nbody : collision legs but likely incorrect`
`star, DM, & tracer : defined if you use particle families`

Ex: `ad["gas", "density"], ad["DM", "particle-mass"]`

And plotting it

Basic plots can be achieved with `yt.SlicePlot`, `yt.ProjectionPlot`, `yt.OffAxisProjectionPlot`

for cells (`yt.ParticleProjectionPlot`)

yt.phasePlot

⚠️ All the above take an optional argument "data-source" to provide the data container you want to use. If omitted, yt will use `ds.all_data()`

? For Off axis projections, you need to specify a camera angle and (optionally) a north vector; without the latter, the plot is defined up to a rotation. `north-vector` does not affect the camera's direction. Think about it as: direction controls how to make the map, north-vector orients it.

Ex: `yt.OffAxisProjectionPlot(ds, direction, ("gas", "density"), data-source=sp, center=center, width=(20, "kpc"), north-vector=north,)`

For example, for a galaxy with angular momentum \vec{j} and some vector \vec{n} s.t. $\vec{n} \cdot \vec{j} = 0$,

direction north vector resulting view

\vec{n}	\vec{j}	edge-on
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\vec{j}	\vec{n}	face-on
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$\vec{j} + \vec{n}$	$\vec{j} - \vec{n}$	tilted
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45°

Complete example

`ds = yt.load("output-00080")`
Assuming 'center' is given

`sp = ds.sphere(center, (100, "kpc"))`

Define bulk velocity so that "radial-velocity" is properly defined

`sp.set_field_parameter("bulk-velocity", vel)`

`p = yt.ProjectionPlot(ds, "x",`

`[("gas", "density"), ("gas", "temperature"), ("gas", "radial-velocity")],`

`data-source=sp, center=sp.center, width=(100, "kpc"), weight-field=("gas", "density"),`

`p.set_cmap(("gas", "radial-velocity"), "BuOr")`

`p.set_log(("gas", "radial-velocity"), False)`

`p.set_xlim(("gas", "radial-velocity"), -100, 100)`

`p.set_unit(("gas", "radial-velocity"), "km/s")`

`p.save("projection/")`

You should now have density-weighted projs of your object!

A deeper dive in ... data containers

Simple ones: `ds.region(left, right)`
`ds.sphere(center, radius)`
`ds.disk(center, normal, radius, height)`
`ds.all_data()`
`ds.ellipsoid(...)`
`ds.ray(...)`

Interpolations: `ds.covering_grid(...)`
`ds.smooth-covering-grid()`

Making it better: containers can be combined!

Ex: `sp1 = ds.sphere(center, (10, "kpc"))`

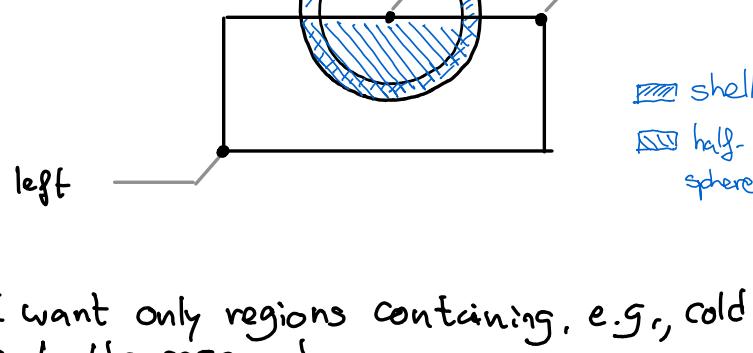
`sp2 = ds.sphere(center, (9, "kpc"))`

`lower = ds.region(left, right)`

`shell = sp1 - sp2`

`half-sphere = sp1 & lower`

Boolean or is also supported.



What if I want only regions containing, e.g., cold gas?
cut-region to the rescue!

Ex: `sp = ds.sphere(...)`

`cold = sp.cut_region("obj['gas', 'temperature'] < 1e4")`

or equivalently

`cold = sp.include_below(("gas", "temperature"), 1e4)`

Ex: `sp.cut_region([
 "obj['gas', 'temperature'].to('K') < 1e4",
 "obj['gas', 'density'].to('mp/cm**3') > 10",
]) # select the cold and dense gas`



Cut regions end up as mere boolean masks on the cells... so you can't 'filter' based on particles.

(although you should be able to get particles in selected cells: `cold["star", "particle-mass"]` should only include stars in cold gas).

To filter particles... use a particle filter!

Mesh-to-particle, particle-to-mesh

Let's assume you have particles and want to "deposit" them on the mesh:

```
ds.add_deposited_particle_field(
    particle-type, field-name, "cic" or "nearest"
)
```

This will create a field like

("deposit", "<part-type>-<field-name>-<method>")
that is defined for every cell.

Conversely, you can sample the grid at particle location (super useful with tracers!)

```
ds.add_mesh_sampling_particle_field(
    field-name, particle-type
)
```

Ex: `ds.add_mesh(..., ("gas", "density"),
 "gas-tracer")`

`ad = ds.all_data()`

`ad["gas-tracer", "mesh-gas-density"]`

this is the value of the gas density,

evaluated at each gas tracer's position