

# Topic 6 – Python tutorials

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## Test if gvxrPython3 is well installed

To check that gvxrPython3 (SimpleGVXR's Python3 wrapper) is well compiled and installed, try the following command in the prompt:

```
$ python3 -c 'import gvxrPython3 as gvxr; print(gvxr.getMajorVersionOfSimpleGVXR())'
```

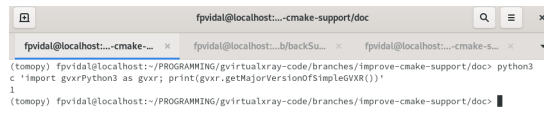
If you get the following error, it's because it is not installed properly or it cannot find gvxrPython3, refer to the instll guide in Section 5

Traceback (most recent call last):

File "<string>", line 1, in <module>

ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'gvxrPython3'

If you see the output message is 1, then all is fine and you can proceed.



```
(tomopy) fpvidal@localhost:~/PROGRAMMING/gvirtualxray-code/branches/improve-cmake-support/doc$ python3 -c 'import gvxrPython3 as gvxr; print(gvxr.getMajorVersionOfSimpleGVXR())'
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(tomopy) fpvidal@localhost:~/PROGRAMMING/gvirtualxray-code/branches/improve-cmake-support/doc$
```

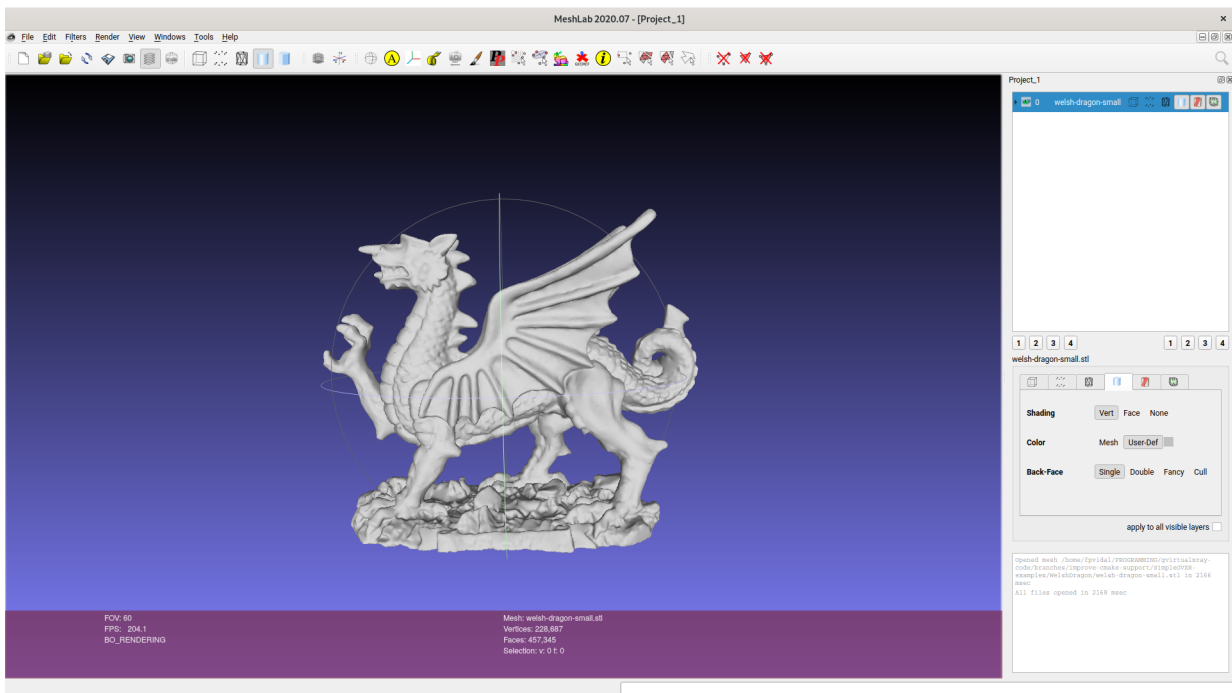
*Output in the terminal  
when successful*

## Simulating an X-ray projection from a STL file

- Download a STL file

```
$ wget https://sourceforge.net/p/gvirtualxray/code/HEAD/tree/trunk/SimpleGVXR-examples/WelshDragon/welsh-dragon-small.stl
```

or use the one provided in this directory.



*The Welsh dragon visualised in MeshLAB*

- Launch the Python interpreter and load the packages

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3
```

try:

```
import matplotlib
matplotlib.use("TkAgg")
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.image as mpimg
from matplotlib.colors import LogNorm
from matplotlib.colors import PowerNorm
use_matplotlib = True;
```

```
except ImportError:
```

```
    print("Matplotlib is not installed. Try to install it if you want
to display and plot data.")
```

```
    use_matplotlib = False;
```

```
import gvxrPython3 as gvxr
```

- If Matplotlib is available, create the subplot first

```

if use_matplotlib:
    plt.subplot(131)

• Create an OpenGL context

gvxr.createWindow();
gvxr.setWindowSize(512, 512);

• Set up the beam

gvxr.setSourcePosition(-40.0, 0.0, 0.0, "cm");
gvxr.usePointSource();
#gvxr.useParallelBeam();
gvxr.setMonoChromatic(0.08, "MeV", 1000);

• Set up the detector

gvxr.setDetectorPosition(10.0, 0.0, 0.0, "cm");
gvxr.setDetectorUpVector(0, 0, -1);
gvxr.setDetectorNumberOfPixels(640, 320);
gvxr.setDetectorPixelSize(0.5, 0.5, "mm");

• Load the data

gvxr.loadSceneGraph("welsh-dragon-small.stl", "mm");

# Get the label
label = gvxr.getChildLabel('root', 0);

# Move label to the centre
gvxr.moveToCentre(label);

# Move the mesh to the center
gvxr.moveToCenter(label);

# Set the material properties
gvxr.setHU(label, 1000);

• Compute an X-ray image and save it

x_ray_image = gvxr.computeXRayImage();

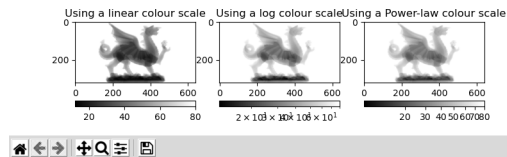
gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("my_beautiful_dragon.mhd");
gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("my_beautiful_dragon.mha");

```

```
gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("my_beautiful_dragon.txt");
```

- Display the image with Matplotlib

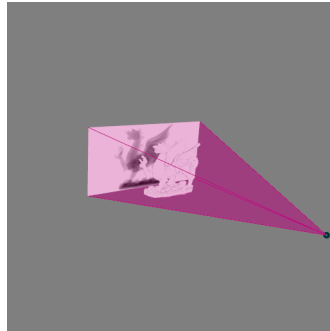
```
if use_matplotlib:  
    plt.imshow(x_ray_image, cmap="gray");  
    plt.colorbar(orientation='horizontal');  
    plt.title("Using a linear colour scale");  
  
    plt.subplot(132)  
    plt.imshow(x_ray_image, norm=LogNorm(), cmap="gray");  
    plt.colorbar(orientation='horizontal');  
    plt.title("Using a log colour scale");  
  
    plt.subplot(133)  
    plt.imshow(x_ray_image, norm=PowerNorm(gamma=1./2.), cmap="gray");  
    plt.colorbar(orientation='horizontal');  
    plt.title("Using a Power-law colour scale");  
  
plt.show();
```



*Visualisation of the X-ray image using Matplotlib with 3 different LUT*

- Interactive visualisation of the 3D environment

```
# Display the 3D scene (no event loop)  
# Run an interactive loop  
# (can rotate the 3D scene and zoom-in)  
# Keys are:  
# Q/Escape: to quit the event loop (does not close the window)  
# B: display/hide the X-ray beam  
# W: display the polygon meshes in solid or wireframe  
# N: display the X-ray image in negative or positive  
# H: display/hide the X-ray detector  
gvxr.renderLoop();
```



*Visualisation of the 3-D environment  
using SimpleGVXR*

or execute `xray_proj_from_INP.py`.

## Simulating an X-ray projection from a INP file

- Launch the Python interpreter and load the packages

```
#!/usr/bin/env python3

import os, copy
import numpy as np
dir_path = os.path.dirname(os.path.realpath(__file__))

# Use Matplotlib
try:
    import matplotlib
    matplotlib.use("TkAgg")

    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import matplotlib.image as mping
    from matplotlib.colors import LogNorm
    from matplotlib.colors import PowerNorm
    use_matplotlib = True;
except ImportError:
    print("Matplotlib is not installed. Try to install it if you want
to display and plot data.")
    use_matplotlib = False;

import gvxrPython3 as gvxr
```

```
import inp2stl
```

- Define the NoneType

```
NoneType = type(None);
```

- If Matplotlib is available, create the subplot first

```
# Create the subplot first
```

```
# If called later, it crashes on my Macbook Pro
```

```
if use_matplotlib:
```

```
    plt.subplot(131)
```

- Create an OpenGL context

```
print("Create an OpenGL context")
```

```
gvxr.createWindow();
```

```
gvxr.setWindowSize(512, 512);
```

- Set up the beam

```
gvxr.setSourcePosition(-40.0, 0.0, 0.0, "cm");
```

```
#gvxr.usePointSource();
```

```
gvxr.useParallelBeam();
```

```
gvxr.setMonoChromatic(0.08, "MeV", 1000);
```

- Set up the detector

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gvxr.setDetectorPosition(40.0, 0.0, 0.0, "cm");
```

```
gvxr.setDetectorUpVector(0, 0, -1);
```

```
gvxr.setDetectorNumberOfPixels(640, 320);
```

```
gvxr.setDetectorPixelSize(0.5, 0.5, "mm");
```

- Load the data from the INP file

```
vertex_set, triangle_index_set, material_set = inp2stl.readInpFile('male_model.inp',  
True);
```

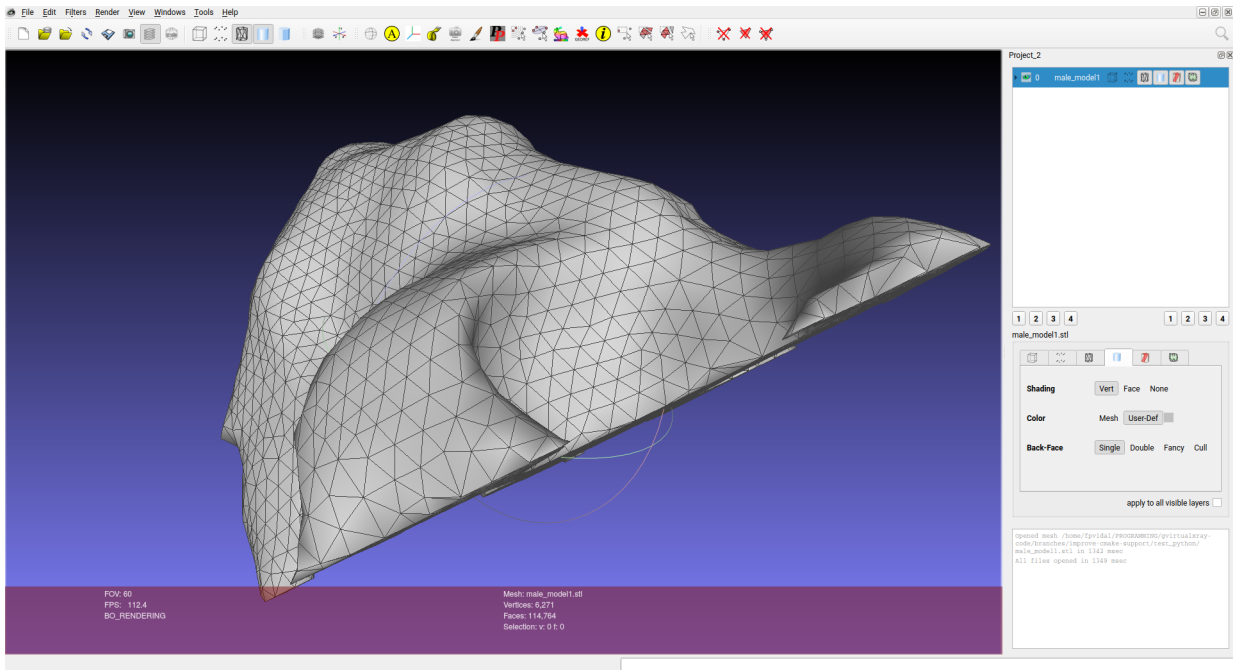
```
#inp2stl.writeStlFile("male_model.stl", vertex_set, triangle_index_set[0]);
```

- Get the bounding box

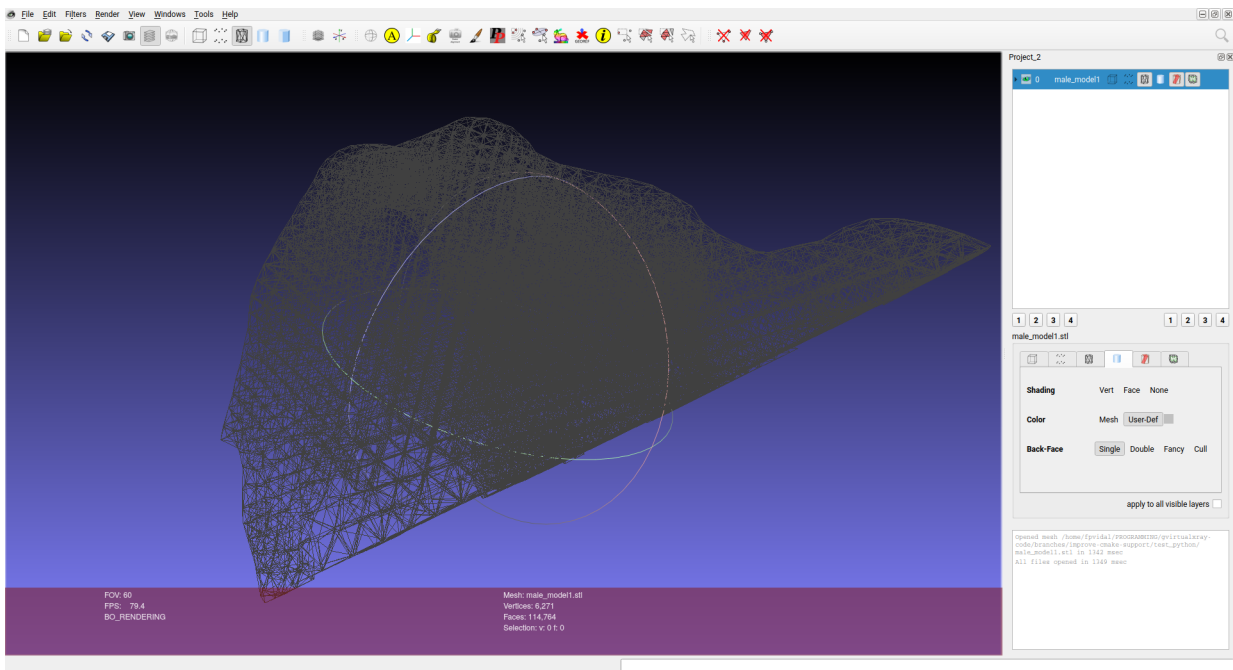
```
min_corner = None;
```

```
max_corner = None;
```

```
vertex_set = np.array(vertex_set).astype(np.float32);
```



*Visualisation of the surface of the mesh using MeshLab*



*Visualisation of the wireframe mesh (tetrahedrons) using MeshLab*

```
for triangle in triangle_index_set[0]:
    for vertex_id in triangle:
```

```

    if isinstance(min_corner, NoneType):
        min_corner = copy.deepcopy(vertex_set[vertex_id]);
    else:
        min_corner[0] = min(min_corner[0], vertex_set[vertex_id][0]);
        min_corner[1] = min(min_corner[1], vertex_set[vertex_id][1]);
        min_corner[2] = min(min_corner[2], vertex_set[vertex_id][2]);

    if isinstance(max_corner, NoneType):
        max_corner = copy.deepcopy(vertex_set[vertex_id]);
    else:
        max_corner[0] = max(max_corner[0], vertex_set[vertex_id][0]);
        max_corner[1] = max(max_corner[1], vertex_set[vertex_id][1]);
        max_corner[2] = max(max_corner[2], vertex_set[vertex_id][2]);

# Compute the bounding box
bbox_range = [max_corner[0] - min_corner[0],
              max_corner[1] - min_corner[1],
              max_corner[2] - min_corner[2]];

# print("X Range:", min_corner[0], "to", max_corner[0], "(delta:", bbox_range[0],
#       ")")
# print("Y Range:", min_corner[1], "to", max_corner[1], "(delta:", bbox_range[1],
#       ")")
# print("Z Range:", min_corner[2], "to", max_corner[2], "(delta:", bbox_range[2],
#       ")")

• Centre the mesh

for vertex_id in range(len(vertex_set)):
    vertex_set[vertex_id][0] -= min_corner[0] + bbox_range[0] / 2.0;
    vertex_set[vertex_id][1] -= min_corner[1] + bbox_range[1] / 2.0;
    vertex_set[vertex_id][2] -= min_corner[2] + bbox_range[2] / 2.0;

• Load the mesh ion the GPU memory

gvxr.makeTriangularMesh("male_model",
                        np.array(vertex_set).astype(np.float32).flatten(),
                        np.array(triangle_index_set).astype(np.int32).flatten(),
                        "m");

• The model is made of Hydrogen

```



```
gvxr.setElement("male_model", "H");
```

- Add the mesh to the simulation

```
gvxr.addPolygonMeshAsInnerSurface("male_model");
```

- Compute an X-ray image and save it

```
x_ray_image = gvxr.computeXRayImage();
```

```
gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("male_model.mhd");
```

```
gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("male_model.mha");
```

```
gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("male_model.txt");
```

- Display the image with Matplotlib

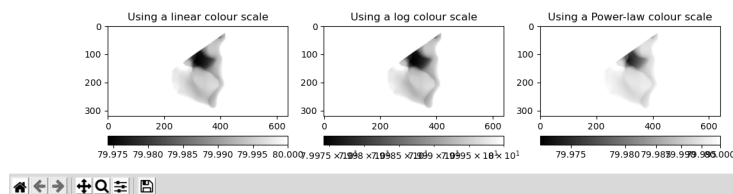
```
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```

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```

```
plt.show();
```



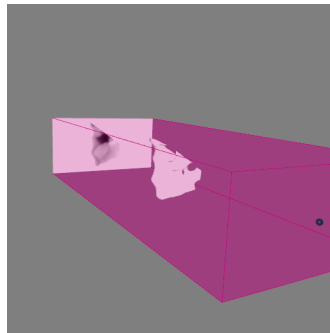
*Visualisation of the X-ray image using Matplotlib with 3 different LUT*

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*Visualisation of the 3-D environment  
using SimpleGVXR*

or execute `xray_proj_from_INP.py`.

## CT acquisition

It is basically the same as previously, but with a for loop to rotate the scanned object.

```

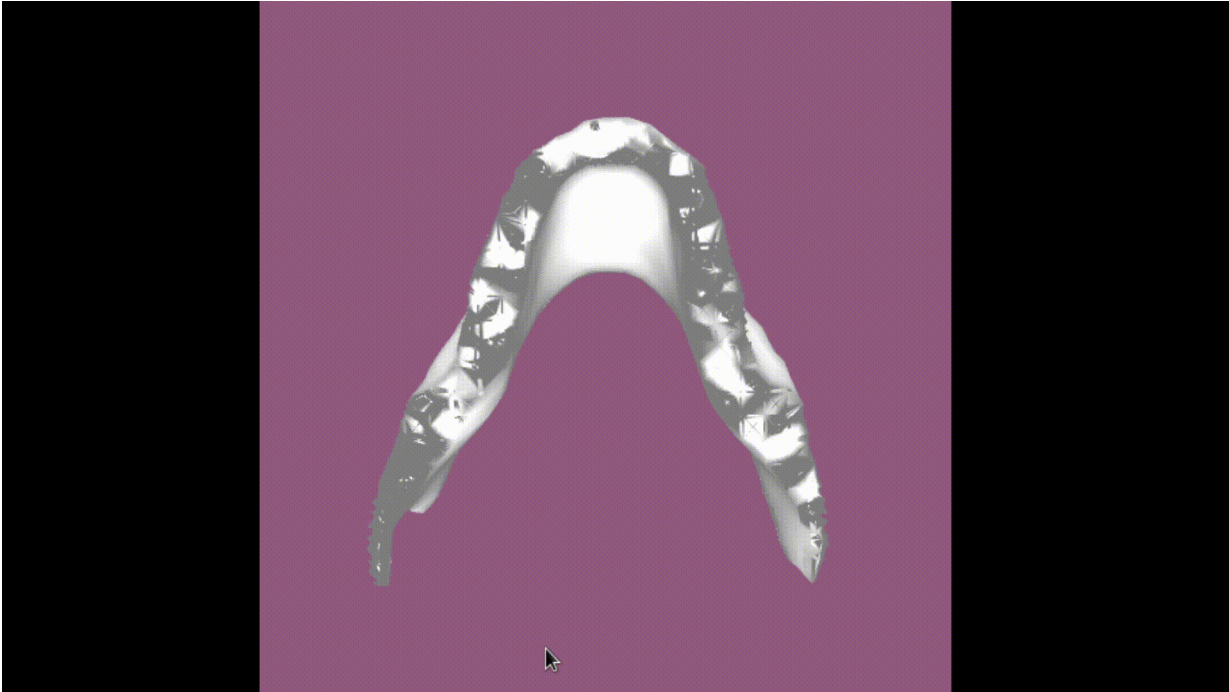
projections = [];
for i in range(180):
    # Compute an X-ray image and add it to the list of projections
    projections.append(gvxr.computeXRayImage());

    # Save the X-ray image
    gvxr.saveLastXRayImage("male_model_projection_" + '{0:03d}'.format(i)
+ ".dcm");

    # Update the 3D visualisation
    gvxr.displayScene();

```

```
# Rotate the model by 1 degree
gvxr.rotateNode("male_model", 1, 0, 0, -1);
```



Video of the 3-D visualisation of the CT acquisition

or execute `ct_acquisition.py`.

## CT reconstruction using tomopy

It is fairly similar to the previous program, but

- I added a few extract packages:

```
import math # for pi
import tomopy # for tomography reconstruction
import SimpleITK as sitk # for saving the CT volume
```

- Pixel spacing is now in a variable for future use

```
spacing_in_mm = 0.5;
gvxr.setDetectorPixelSize(spacing_in_mm, spacing_in_mm, "mm");
```

- We store the rotation angles in radian in an array

```

projections = [];
theta = [];

for i in range(360):
    # Compute an X-ray image and add it to the list of projections
    projections.append(gvxr.computeXRayImage());

    # Update the 3D visualisation
    gvxr.displayScene();

    # Rotate the model by 1 degree
    gvxr.rotateNode("male_model", 0.5, 0, 0, -1);

    # Add the corresponding angle
    theta.append(i * 0.5 * math.pi / 180);

```

- Convert the projections as a Numpy array

```
projections = np.array(projections);
```

- Retrieve the total energy

```
energy_bins = gvxr.getEnergyBins("MeV");
photon_count_per_bin = gvxr.getPhotonCountEnergyBins();
```

```
total_energy = 0.0;
for energy, count in zip(energy_bins, photon_count_per_bin):
    total_energy += energy * count;
```

- Perform the flat-field correction of raw data

```
dark = np.zeros(projections.shape);
flat = np.ones(projections.shape) * total_energy;
```

```
projections = tomopy.normalize(projections, flat, dark)
```

- Calculate  $-\log(\text{projections})$  to linearize transmission tomography data

```
projections = tomopy.minus_log(projections)
```

- Set the rotation centre

```
rot_center = int(projections.shape[2]/2);
```

- Perform the reconstruction

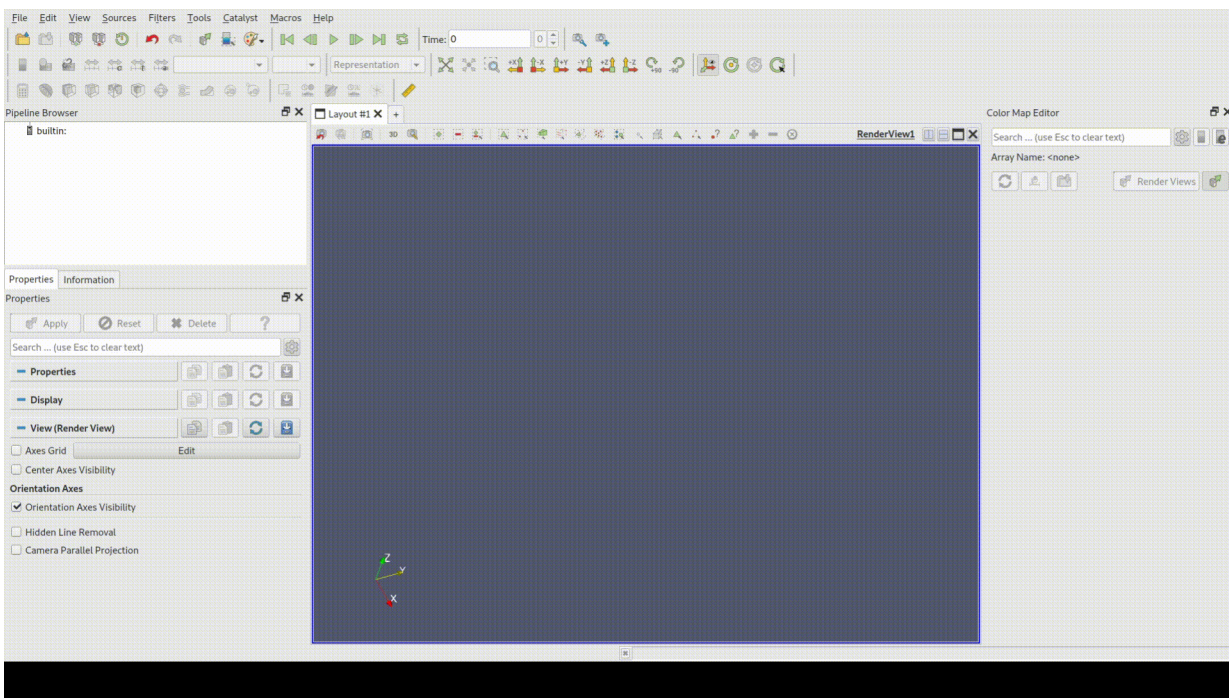
```
recon = tomopy.recon(projections, theta, center=rot_center, algorithm='gridrec',
sinogram_order=False)
```

- Plot the slice in the middle of the volume

```
plt.imshow(recon[int(projections.shape[1]/2), :, :])
plt.show()
```

- Save the volume

```
volume = sitk.GetImageFromArray(recon);
volume.SetSpacing([spacing_in_mm, spacing_in_mm, spacing_in_mm]);
sitk.WriteImage(volume, 'recon.mhd');
```



Video of the 3-D visualisation of the CT reconstruction in Paraview

or execute `ct_reconstruction.py`.

## CT reconstruction using skimage

It is fairly similar to the previous program again, but using `skimage` rather than `tomopy`.

- Change of package:

```

import math # for pi
from skimage.transform import iradon, iradon_sart # for tomography reconstruction
import SimpleITK as sitk # for saving the CT volume

```

- This time the model is made of silicon carbide rather than hydrogen

```

gvxr.setCompound("male_model", "SiC");

gvxr.setDensity("male_model",
                3.2,
                "g/cm3");

```

- theta stores the rotation angles in degrees rather than radians.

```

theta.append(i * rotation_angle);

```

- Transformations from raw X-ray projections to sinograms are performed manually

```

# Perform the flat-field correction of raw data
dark = np.zeros(projections.shape);
flat = np.ones(projections.shape) * total_energy;
projections = (projections - dark) / (flat - dark);

# Calculate -log(projections) to linearize transmission tomography data
projections = -np.log(projections)

# Resample as a sinogram stack
sinograms = np.swapaxes(projections, 0, 1);

```

- The CT reconstruction is performed slice by slice

```

# Perform the reconstruction
# Process slice by slice
recon_fbp = [];
recon_sart = [];
slice_id = 0;
for sinogram in sinograms:
    slice_id+=1;
    print("Reconstruct slice #", slice_id, "/", number_of_angles);
    recon_fbp.append(iradon(sinogram.T, theta=theta, circle=True));

# Two iterations of SART

```

```
# recon_sart.append(iradon_sart(sinogram.T, theta=theta));  
# recon_sart[-1] = iradon_sart(sinogram.T, theta=theta, image=recon_sart[-  
1]);
```

```
recon_fbp = np.array(recon_fbp);
```

skimage's CT reconstruction is much slower than tomopy's', but it's readily available for any Python distribution...

or execute `ct_reconstruction.py`.

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