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# **molyso Documentation**

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See *molyso Readme* for information.



# CHAPTER 1

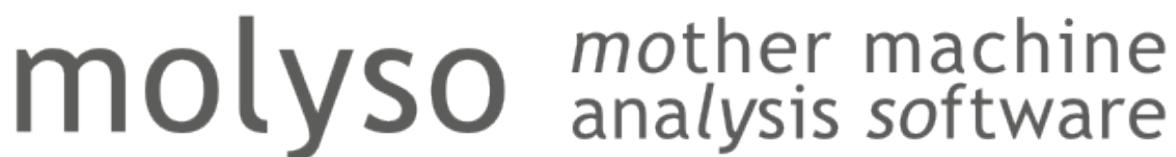
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## Indices and tables

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### 1.1 molyso Readme

#### 1.1.1 Publication

When using *molyso* for scientific applications, cite our publication:

Sachs CC, Grünberger A, Helfrich S, Probst C, Wiechert W, Kohlheyer D, Nöh K (2016) Image-Based Single Cell Profiling: High-Throughput Processing of Mother Machine Experiments. PLoS ONE 11(9): e0163453. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0163453

It is available on the PLoS ONE homepage at DOI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0163453

### 1.1.2 Example Datasets

You can find example datasets (as used in the publication) deposited at zenodo DOI: 10.5281/zenodo.53764.

### 1.1.3 Documentation

Documentation can be built using sphinx, but is available online as well at [Read the Docs](#).

### 1.1.4 License

*molyso* is free/libre open source software under the 2-clause BSD License. See [License](#)

### 1.1.5 Prerequisites

*molyso* needs Python 3, if you don't have a Python installation or are not familiar with installing packages from source, it is suggested that you use the [Anaconda](#) Python distribution, available for Windows, Linux and macOS.

### 1.1.6 Ways to install molyso

There are different ways to install *molyso*, for ease of use it is suggested to use the Anaconda Python distribution and the conda package manager. Alternatively, you can use *molyso* inside a Docker container, see the [Docker](#) section near the end.

#### 1.1.6.1 With Anaconda

```
> conda config --add channels conda-forge
> conda config --add channels modsim

> conda install -y molyso
```

#### 1.1.6.2 Alternatively, manually from github

```
> git clone https://github.com/modsim/molyso
> cd molyso
> python setup.py install --user
```

### 1.1.7 First Steps

*molyso* is packaged as a Python module, to run it, just use:

```
> python -m molyso
```

And you will be greeted by the help screen of *molyso*:

```
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 →(2016)

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 PLoS ONE 11(9): e0163453. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0163453

```
usage: __main__.py [-h] [-m MODULES] [-p] [-gt GROUND_TRUTH] [-ct CACHE_TOKEN]
                  [-tp TIMEPOINTS] [-mp MULTIPOINTS] [-o TABLE_OUTPUT]
                  [-ot TRACKING_OUTPUT] [-nb] [-cpu MP] [-debug] [-do] [-nci]
                  [-cfi] [-ccb CHANNEL_BITS] [-cfb CHANNEL_FLUORESCENCE_BITS]
                  [-q] [-nc [IGNORECACHE]] [-nt] [-t TUNABLES]
                  [-s TUNABLE_LIST TUNABLE_LIST] [-pt] [-rt READ_TUNABLES]
                  [-wt WRITE_TUNABLES]
                  input

molyso: MOther machine anaLYsis SOftware

positional arguments:
  input           input file

optional arguments:
  -h, --help      show this help message and exit
  -m MODULES, --module MODULES
  -p, --process
  -gt GROUND_TRUTH, --ground-truth GROUND_TRUTH
  -ct CACHE_TOKEN, --cache-token CACHE_TOKEN
  -tp TIMEPOINTS, --timepoints TIMEPOINTS
  -mp MULTIPOINTS, --multipoints MULTIPOINTS
  -o TABLE_OUTPUT, --table-output TABLE_OUTPUT
  -ot TRACKING_OUTPUT, --output-tracking TRACKING_OUTPUT
  -nb, --no-banner
  -cpu MP, --cpus MP
  -debug, --debug
  -do, --detect-once
  -nci, --no-channel-images
  -cfi, --channel-fluorescence-images
  -ccb CHANNEL_BITS, --channel-image-channel-bits CHANNEL_BITS
  -cfb CHANNEL_FLUORESCENCE_BITS, --channel-image-fluorescence-bits CHANNEL_
  →FLUORESCENCE_BITS
  -q, --quiet
  -nc [IGNORECACHE], --no-cache [IGNORECACHE]
  -nt, --no-tracking
  -t TUNABLES, --tunables TUNABLES
  -s TUNABLE_LIST TUNABLE_LIST, --set-tunable TUNABLE_LIST TUNABLE_LIST
  -pt, --print-tunables
  -rt READ_TUNABLES, --read-tunables READ_TUNABLES
  -wt WRITE_TUNABLES, --write-tunables WRITE_TUNABLES

error: the following arguments are required: input
```

There are three modes of operation, batch processing, interactive viewer, and ground truth generation. The most important part for routine use is batch processing, which will process a whole file or selected time/multi points and produce tabular output and/or tracking visualizations. The interactive viewer can be used to show channel and cell detection on the given dataset, as a first step to check if the settings are applicable. The ground truth viewer is more of a tool for verification of results, the kymograph of a preanalyzed dataset can be visualized *without*

tracking, and individual cell generations can be marked manually, yielding a growth rate which can be compared to the automatic analysis.

To start the interactive viewer, just call molyso without any other parameters:

```
> python -m molyso dataset.ome.tifff
```

To start batch processing, run molyso with the `-p` option. Give an output file for tabular output with `-o` and/or an output directory for individual tracked kymographs with `-ot`.

Note: While OME-TIFF file contain calibration of time and voxel size, simple `.tif` files may not, you can tell molyso manually about the calibration by adding comma-delimited parameters after the file name (followed by a question mark): Example:

```
> python -m molyso "filename.tif?interval=300,calibration=0.08"
```

Supported are among others: the acquisition `interval` (seconds), and the pixel size `calibration` in um per pixel. Some older files may have incorrectly labeled axes, since molyso expects the time axis to be correctly labeled, it might be necessary to reorder the axes, this can be done on the fly, by passing e.g. `?swap_axes=Z.T`. Don't forget to escape/quote the `?` in the command line.

```
> python -m molyso dataset.ome.tifff -p -o results.txt -ot dataset_tracking
```

*molyso* writes cache files in the current directory which contain temporary analysis results. If you want to regenerate tabular output e.g., those files will be read in and already performed analysis steps will be skipped. They are used as well, to show the kymograph for ground truth data mode. They can be kept if you plan any of the mentioned steps, if you are finished with an analysis, they can be deleted as well.

Once *molyso* has run, you will need to post-process the data to extract the information you're interested in. Take a look at the Jupyter/IPython Notebooks.

## 1.1.8 Docker

Docker is a containerization platform allowing for applications to be run with bundled dependencies without explicit installation steps.

You can use the following commands to run molyso in lieu of the aforementioned calls, e.g. for analysis:

```
> docker run --tty --interactive --rm --volume "`pwd`:/data" --user `id -u` modsim/  
→molyso -p <parameters ...>
```

And to run interactive mode (display on local X11, under Linux):

```
> docker run --tty --interactive --rm --volume "`pwd`:/data" --user `id -u` --env  
→DISPLAY=$DISPLAY --volume /tmp/.X11-unix:/tmp/.X11-unix modsim/molyso  
→<parameters ...>
```

Docker usage has just been tested with Linux host systems.

## 1.1.9 Third Party Licenses

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**molyso/generic/otsu.py:**

**functions threshold\_otsu and histogram by the scikit-image team, licensed BSD (see file head).**

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## 1.3 Tunables

### 1.3.1 Introduction

Tunables are configuration parameters for the analysis. You can either let *molyso* read or write all tunables from/to a file, or you can set individual tunables per command line. Note that tunables are defined where they are used, and to *collect* all tunables, a typical run has to be performed (use -cpu 0 to disable parallelism!).

Tunables are read/written in JSON. JSON is used as well to set tunables on the command line, e.g.:

```
> python -m molyso -t '{"cells.empty_channel.skipping":true}'
```

See below for a table of tunables. Note that for most data sets it is not necessary to modify tunables, and their particular action is best understood by looking up their usage in the source code ...

Various tunables will as well affect processing speed.

### 1.3.2 Table of Tunables

Name	Default	Type	Description
cells.empty_channel.skipping	False	bool	For empty channel detection, whether it is enabled.
cells.empty_channel.skipping.outlier_time_sigma		float	For empty channel detection, maximum sigma used for thresholding the profile.
cells.extrema.order	15	int	For cell detection, window width of the local extrema detector.
cells.filtering.maximum_brightness	0.5	float	For cell detection, maximum brightness a cell may have.
cells.filtering.minimum_prominence	10.0	float	For cell detection, minimum prominence a cell must have.
cells.minimal_length.in_mu	1.0	float	The minimal allowed cell size (Smaller cells will be filtered out).
cells.otsu_bias	1.0	float	Bias factor for the cell detection Otsu image.
cells.smoothing.length	10	int	Length of smoothing Hamming window for cell detection.
chan-nels.horizontal.fft_oversampling	8	int	For channel detection, FFT oversampling factor.
chan-nels.horizontal.noise_suppression_factor.lower	0.1	float	For channel detection, lower profile, noise reduction, reduction factor.
chan-nels.horizontal.noise_suppression_factor.upper	0.1	float	For channel detection, upper profile, noise reduction, reduction factor.
chan-nels.horizontal.noise_suppression_range.lower	0.5	float	For channel detection, lower profile, noise reduction, reduction range.
chan-nels.horizontal.noise_suppression_range.upper	0.5	float	For channel detection, upper profile, noise reduction, reduction range.
chan-nels.horizontal.profile_smoothing_width.lower	5	int	For channel detection, lower profile, smoothing window width.
chan-nels.horizontal.profile_smoothing_width.upper	5	int	For channel detection, upper profile, smoothing window width.
channels.horizontal.threshold_factor	0.2	float	For channel detection, threshold factor for l/r border determination.
channels.vertical.alternate.delta	5	int	For channel detection (alternate, vertical), acceptable delta.
chan-nels.vertical.alternate.fft_smoothing_width	3	int	For channel detection (alternate, vertical), spectrum smoothing width.
chan-nels.vertical.alternate.split_factor	60	int	For channel detection (alternate, vertical), split factor.
channels.vertical.method	alternate	str	For channel detection, vertical method to use (either alternate or recursive).
colors.cell	#005b82	str	For debug output, cell color.
colors.channel	#e7af12	str	For debug output, channel color.
colors.visualization.track.alpha	0.3	float	Track alpha for visualization.
colors.visualization.track.color	#005B82	str	Track color for visualization.
colors.visualization.track.random	1	int	Randomize tracking color palette?
colors.visualization.track.random.seed	3141592653589793238462643383279502884197169399375105824925243897931155270502614893219944145185759339423378703718349401892150665294705713510511890687375442437107533980348253421170679821484375	int	Random seed for tracking visualization.
orientation-detection.strips	10	int	Number of strips for orientation correction.
track-ing.empty_channel_filtering.minimum_mean_cells	2.0	float	For empty channel removal, minimum of cell mean per channel.

## 1.4 molyso2vizardous

You can convert *molyso*'s tabular output format to PhyloXML/MetaXML lineage trees for viewing and analysis with *Vizardous* see:

Helfrich, S. et al., 2015. “Vizardous: Interactive Analysis of Microbial Populations with Single Cell Resolution” *Bioinformatics* (Oxford, England). DOI: 10.1093/bioinformatics/btv468

You can download *Vizardous* at <https://github.com/modsim/vizardous>.

The appropriate tool is embedded in *molyso* in the `molyso.util.molyso2vizardous` package.

```
> python3 -m molyso.util.molyso2vizardous

usage: __main__.py [-h] [-o OUTPUT] [-d MINIMUM_DEPTH] [-q] input

molyso2vizardous molyso-tabular data format to Vizardous metaXML/phyloXML
converter

positional arguments:
  input                  input file

optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -o OUTPUT, --output OUTPUT
  -d MINIMUM_DEPTH, --minimum-depth MINIMUM_DEPTH
  -q, --quiet

error: the following arguments are required: input
```

```
> python3 -m molyso.util.molyso2vizardous results.txt
```

The tool will then generate many individual files for each found track (you can filter out too short tracks by using the `-d MINIMUM_DEPTH` option). Note that the internal XML representation is very memory consuming.

## 1.5 Example Jupyter Notebooks

In the folder *examples*, there are currently two Jupyter/IPython notebooks stored:

- *Example Analysis.ipynb* which contains some possible downstream processing, turning the tabular data from *molyso* into graphs.
- *Example molyso Embedding.ipynb* which contains a little peek into using *molyso* as a library.

### Contents

- *Example Jupyter Notebooks*
  - *Example Analysis*
  - *Example molyso Embedding*

The notebooks are embedded into the documentation in a read-only manner. You can see them below.

### 1.5.1 Example Analysis

This Jupyter/IPython notebook explains how to post-process the tabular tab-separated value format produced by *molyso* to generate various graphs.

If you are unfamiliar with IPython and the NumPy/SciPy/matplotlib/pandas... Stack, we'd suggest you first read a bit about it. We think it's definitely worth giving it a try, as it is a greatly versatile tool for scientific programming endeavours.

This notebook expects a prepared data file in the current working directory.

An example file is shipped with this notebook, it was created by calling molyso:

```
python3 -m molyso MM_Cglutamicum_D_aceE.ome.tif -p -o MM_Cglutamicum_D_aceE_
→results.tsv
```

The file format is a tab separated table format, which can easily be opened with Pandas.

See the following explanation of the table columns:

Column name	Contents
about_to_divide	Whether this cell is about to divide, <i>i.e.</i> , this is the last occurrence of this cell
cell_age	The cell age [h], relative to its “birth”
cellxposition	The horizontal position [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] of the cell ( <i>i.e.</i> , of the channel)
cellyposition	The vertical position [ $\mu\text{m}$ ] of the cell within the channel
chan- nel_average_cells	The average count of cells detected in this channel
chan- nel_in_multipoint	The position number of the cell’s channel within this multipoint position
channel_orientation	A heuristic result whether high or low y positions represent the open end
channel_width	The width of the cell’s channel
division_age	The age [h] at which the cell will divide
elongation_rate	The elongation rate [ $\mu\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ ] of the cell
fluorescence_n	The mean fluorescence of the cell (with background subtracted)
fluores- cence_background_n	The background fluorescence of the cell’s image
fluorescence_count	The count of fluorescences present in the dataset. The other fluorescence_*_n fields occur dependent on this number.
fluorescence_raw_n	The mean raw fluorescence value of the cell
fluorescence_std_n	The standard deviation of the fluorescence of the cell
length	The cell length [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]
multipoint	The multipoint number of the frame of the cell
timepoint	The timepoint [s] of the cell sighting
timepoint_num	The timepoint number (within the dataset) of the cell sighting
uid_cell	A unique id for this tracked cell
uid_parent	A unique id for the cell’s parent cell
uid_thiscell	A unique id for this particular cell sighting
uid_track	A unique id for origin (the whole tracking from one start)

```
file_name = 'MM_Cglutamicum_D_aceE_results.tsv'
```

```
# Some general setup routines
%matplotlib inline
%config InlineBackend.figure_formats=['svg']
import pandas
import numpy
from matplotlib import pylab
pandas.options.display.max_columns = None
pylab.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10, 6)
pylab.rcParams['svg.fonttype'] = 'none'
pylab.rcParams['font.sans-serif'] = ['Arial']
pylab.rcParams['font.family'] = 'sans-serif'
try:
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```

import seaborn
except ImportError:
    print("Optional dependency: seaborn to pretty up the graphs.")

# we first open the file via Pandas, it is formatted so that it can be read with
# the read_table command.

results = pandas.read_table(file_name)

# let's take a sneak peek into the file:
results.head()

```

```

# Let's take a look at the growth rate.
# Therefore, we take a look at all division events:

division_events = results.query('about_to_divide == 1')

print("We found %d division events (out of %d overall cell sightings)" %
    (len(division_events), len(results)))

```

We found 1165 division events (out of 23236 overall cell sightings)

```

pylab.title('Scatter plot of detected division events')
pylab.ylabel('Division time [h]')
pylab.xlabel('Experiment time [h]')
pylab.scatter(division_events.timepoint / (60.0*60.0), division_events.division_
    age)

```

<matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x7fc000aea240>

As you can see, the points are quite nicely crowded in a meaningful range, with some outliers. As a reminder, the dataset was acquired with a 15 min interval, which produces quite some error.

Let's look into a unified growth rate ...

```

division_events_on_first_day = results.query('about_to_divide == 1 and timepoint <
    24*60*60')

doubling_times = numpy.array(division_events_on_first_day.division_age)

print("Unfiltered growth rate on first day μ=%f" % (numpy.log(2)/doubling_times.
    mean(),))

```

Unfiltered growth rate on first day μ=0.483987

That way, the data contains quite some outliers, let's remove them by applying some biological prior knowledge:

```

mu_min = 0.01
mu_max = 1.00

filtered_doubling_times = doubling_times[
    ((numpy.log(2)/mu_min) > doubling_times) & (doubling_times > (numpy.log(2)/mu_
        max))]
]

print("Filtered growth rate on first day μ=%f" % (numpy.log(2)/filtered_doubling_
    times.mean(),))

```

```
Filtered growth rate on first day μ=0.403989
```

Now, how do we generate an overall growth rate graph from the scattered points? We use the simple moving average to unify many points into a single points (over time). [And group the points by their timepoints to have a measure if enough division events occurred within a certain time frame. There are multiple possible approaches here, and if precise  $\mu$  is desired, the graph should be based on filtered data as well!]

```
#division_events = division_events.sort('timepoint')
division_events = division_events.query('timepoint < (50.0 * 60.0 * 60.0)')

grouped_division_events = division_events.groupby(by=('timepoint_num',))

window_width = 25

sma_division_age = pandas.rolling_mean(numpy.array(grouped_division_events.mean() .
    ↪division_age), window_width)
sma_time = pandas.rolling_mean(numpy.array(grouped_division_events.mean() .
    ↪timepoint), window_width)
sma_count = pandas.rolling_mean(numpy.array(grouped_division_events.count() .
    ↪division_age), window_width)
sma_division_age[sma_count < 5] = float('nan')

t = sma_time / 60.0 / 60.0
mu = numpy.log(2)/sma_division_age

pylab.title('Growth graph')
pylab.xlabel('Experiment time [h]')
pylab.ylabel('Growth rate μ [h-1]')
pylab.plot(t, mu)
pylab.ylim(0, 0.6)
pylab.xlim(0, 60)
pylab.show()
```

```
fluor = results.query('fluorescence_0 == fluorescence_0') # while the example ↪dataset does not contain nans, other data might
fluor = fluor.groupby(by=('timepoint_num'))

fluor_time = pandas.rolling_mean(numpy.array(fluor.timepoint.mean()), window_
    ↪width) / (60.0*60.0)
fluor_value = pandas.rolling_mean(numpy.array(fluor.fluorescence_0.mean()), window_
    ↪width)

pylab.title('Growth and fluorescence graph')
pylab.xlabel('Experiment time [h]')
pylab.ylabel('Growth rate μ [h-1]')
pylab.ylim(0, 0.6)
pylab.plot(t, mu)
pylab.twinx()
pylab.ylabel('Fluorescence [a.u.]')
pylab.plot(0, 0, label='μ') # to add a legend entry
pylab.plot(fluor_time, fluor_value, label='Fluorescence', color='yellow')
pylab.xlim(0, 60)
pylab.legend()
pylab.show()
```

Let's look into some single cell data, e.g., cell length or fluorescence (note that different timepoints are used than in the paper):

```
# Dividing cells can be identified by the about_to_divide == 1 flag,
# cells, which resulted from a division have cell_age == 0

pre_division = results.query('about_to_divide==1')
post_division = results.query('cell_age==0')

pylab.subplot(2,2,1)
pylab.title('Cell lengths pre/post-division')
pylab.xlabel('Length [µm]')
pylab.ylabel('Occurrence [#]')
pre_division.length.hist(alpha=0.5, label='Pre-division')
post_division.length.hist(alpha=0.5, label='Post-division')
pylab.legend()
pylab.subplot(2,2,2)
pylab.title('Cell lengths boxplot')
pylab.ylabel('Length [µm]')
pylab.boxplot([pre_division.length, post_division.length], labels=['Pre-division',
    'Post-division'])
pylab.show()
```

```
fluor = results.query('fluorescence_0 == fluorescence_0') # while the example
# dataset does not contain nans, other data might
pylab.title('Fluorescences pre/post-media change')
pylab.xlabel('Fluorescence [a.u.]')
pylab.ylabel('Occurrence [#]')
fluor.query('timepoint < 24*60*60').fluorescence_0.hist(alpha=0.5, label='Pre-
# media change')
# 6h gap for the bacteria to start production
fluor.query('timepoint > 30*60*60').fluorescence_0.hist(alpha=0.5, label='Post-
# media change')
pylab.legend()
pylab.show()
```

That's it so far. We hope this notebook gave you some ideas how to analyze your data.

### 1.5.2 Example molyso Embedding

This example should give a brief overview how *molyso* can easily be called and embedded. As of now, only the steps until after the cell detection are to be performed.

For the example, a test image shipped with *molyso* will be used.

```
# Some general setup routines
%matplotlib inline
%config InlineBackend.figure_formats=['svg']
import numpy
from matplotlib import pylab
pylab.rcParams.update({
    'figure.figsize': (10, 6),
    'svg.fonttype': 'none',
    'font.sans-serif': 'Arial',
    'font.family': 'sans-serif',
    'image.cmap': 'gray',
})
```

```
# the test image can be fetched by the `test_image` function
# it is included in molyso primarily to run testing routines
```

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```
from molyso.test import test_image
pylab.imshow(test_image())
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f09dbf04f98>
```

```
# the central starting point of the molyso highlevel interface
# is the Image class

from molyso.mm.image import Image
image = Image()
image.setup_image(test_image())

# as a first test, let's run the autorotate routine, which will
# automatically correct the rotation detected

image.autorotate()
print("Detected angle: %.4f°" % (image.angle,))
pylab.imshow(image.image)
```

```
Detected angle: -1.5074°
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f09c8443e48>
```

```
# the next two functions call the low-level steps
# therefore, while not much is to see here, ...
# the magic happens behind the curtains

image.find_channels()
image.find_cells_in_channels()

from molyso.debugging.debugplot import inject_poly_drawing_helper
inject_poly_drawing_helper(pylab)

# embedded debugging functionality can be used
# to produce an image with cells and channels drawn as overlay
image.debug_print_cells(pylab)
```

```
# let's look into an important part of the Image-class

# the channels member, which supports the iterator interface
# ... therefore, we call it as parameter to list()
# to get a list of channels

channels = list(image.channels)

# and print some info about it (the .cells member works analogously)
print("The first channel contains: %d cells." % (len(channels[0].cells),))
print("The third channel contains: %d cells." % (len(channels[2].cells),))
```

```
The first channel contains: 0 cells.
The third channel contains: 4 cells.
```

```
# connectivity to original image data remains,
# as long as it is not removed (due to memory/disk-space consumption reasons)
```

```
channel = channels[2]
pylab.imshow(channel.channel_image)
```

```
<matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f09c8369898>
```

```
# lets look into the channel's cells ...
```

```
print(list(channel.cells))
```

```
[<molyso.mm.cell_detection.Cell object at 0x7f09d9e46f48>, <molyso.mm.cell_
→detection.Cell object at 0x7f09d9dd6248>, <molyso.mm.cell_detection.Cell object__
→at 0x7f09d9e35d88>, <molyso.mm.cell_detection.Cell object at 0x7f09d9e151c8>]
```

```
# the last call did not really advance our insights ...
# let's take a look at some properties of the cell:
# *local_top and *local_bottom ...
# which coincide with the pixel positions within the channel image
# Note: there is a top and bottom member as well,
# but these values include the total offset of the channel within the image!

for n, cell in enumerate(channel.cells):
    print("Cell #{} from {} to {}".format(n, cell.local_top, cell.local_bottom))
```

```
Cell #0 from 109 to 140
Cell #1 from 142 to 169
Cell #2 from 171 to 215
Cell #3 from 217 to 255
```

```
# again, connectivity to the image data remains ...
# lets show all individual cell images of that channel

# long line just to prettify the output ...
from functools import partial
next_subplot = partial(pylab.subplot, int(numpy.sqrt(len(channel.cells)))+1,_
→int(numpy.sqrt(len(channel.cells)))))

for n, cell in enumerate(channel.cells):
    next_subplot(n+1)
    pylab.title('Cell #{}'.format(n))
    pylab.imshow(cell.cell_image)

pylab.tight_layout()
```

This was only a brief overview of some basic functionality. It might get expanded in the future. For now, if you'd like to get deeper insights on the working of *molyso*, I'd like to ask you to study the source files.

```
# PS: You can as well turn on Debug printing within IPython to get more insight on_
→the internals
from molyso.debugging import DebugPlot
DebugPlot.force_active = True
DebugPlot.post_figure = 'show'

image.find_channels()
image.find_cells_in_channels()
```

## 1.6 molyso Developer Documentation

See README/and documentation for end user information. See [License](#) for license information. (Or string `molyso.__license__`).

A short starting point to understanding *molyso*'s internal structure:

The `molyso.mm` module contains the Mother Machine specific code, as well as the main function (see `highlevel.py`). Analysis code is basically split into two levels: an OOP representation of the data analyzed, as well as some core functions (functional) which perform individual processing step.

E.g., a `molyso.mm.channel_detection.Channel` class calls a `molyso.mm.cell_detection.find_cells_in_channel()` function, which returns mere numbers, of which the class constructs `molyso.mm.cell_detection.Cell` objects.

`molyso.generic` contains a mix of library functions necessary to perform these tasks, coarsely these can be separated into signal processing etc. functionality, and general utility functions.

`molyso.debugging` contains the `DebugPlot` class, a thin abstraction layer over `matplotlib` which allows for conditional, context manager based plot generation.

`molyso.imageio` contains the image reading functionality. The `MultiImageStack` is a base class and factory for opening, multi dimensional images. `molyso` contains reading code to open plain TIFF and OME-TIFF files, using `tifffile.py`. `MultiImageStack` acts as a implementation registry as well, if other formats should be supported, a reader subclass has to be generated, and registered at `MultiImageStack`. It then can automatically be used by `molyso` to open the format.

As mentioned earlier, the main function is within `highlevel.py`. It can divert program flow to two additional modes, which overtake if called: ground truth or interactive mode.

Processing itself is handled within `highlevel.py`.

Doctests can be called by calling the `molyso.test` module.

## 1.6.1 Submodules

### 1.6.1.1 molyso.debugging package

Debugging Module. Currently only contains DebugPlot, which is imported here for ease of use.

#### molyso.debugging.debugplot module

documentation

```
class molyso.debugging.debugplot.DebugPlot(*args, **kwargs)
    Bases: object
```

The DebugPlot class serves as an switchable abstraction layer to add plotting debug output facilities.

```
active = True
context = ''
default_config = {'figure.dpi': 150, 'figure.figsize': (12, 8), 'image.cmap': 'gr'
diverted_outputs = {}
exit_handler_registered = False
exit_handlers = []
exp_plot_debugging = False
file_prefix = 'debug'
file_suffix = '.pdf'
files_to_merge = []
force_active = False
classmethod get_context()
```

Returns

```
classmethod get_file_for_merge()
```

Returns

```
individual_and_merge = False
individual_file_prefix = 'debug'
individual_files = False
classmethod new_pdf_output(filename, collected)
```

Parameters

- **filename** –
- **collected** –

```
classmethod pdfopener(filename)
```

Opens a new PdfPages output, ensuring it will be closed at exit.

Parameters **filename** – filename

Returns

```
post_figure = 'close'
pp = None
classmethod set_context(**kwargs)
```

```
Parameters kwargs –
throw_on_anything = True
exception molyso.debugging.debugplot.DebugPlotInterruptException
Bases: Exception
Only for internal usage. Used to interrupt plot drawing early if it is disabled.

class molyso.debugging.debugplot.DebugPlotInterruptThrower
Bases: object
Dummy object which raises an exception on every call. To be used when debug mode is deactivated.

molyso.debugging.debugplot.inject_poly_drawing_helper(p)
Parameters p –
molyso.debugging.debugplot.next_free_filename(prefix, suffix)
Parameters
• prefix –
• suffix –
Returns
raise IOError
molyso.debugging.debugplot.poly_drawing_helper(p, coordinates, **kwargs)
Parameters
• p –
• coordinates –
• kwargs –
```

### 1.6.1.2 molyso.generic package

Generic module. Collection of various helper functionality, from library routines for signal processing, to os specific workarounds.

#### molyso.generic.etc module

etc.py contains various helper functions and classes, which are not directly related to data processing.

```
class molyso.generic.etc.BaseCache(filename_to_be_hashed, ignore_cache='nothing',
                                         cache_token=None)
Bases: object
A caching class
contains(key)
Parameters key –
Returns
static deserialize(data)
Parameters data –
Returns
get(key)
Parameters key –
```

**Returns**

**static** **prepare\_key** (*key*)

**Parameters** **key** –

**Returns**

**static** **serialize** (*data*)

**Parameters** **data** –

**Returns**

**set** (*key*, *value*)

**Parameters**

- **key** –
- **value** –

**Returns**

`molyso.generic/etc.Cache`  
alias of `molyso.generic/etc.FileCache`

**class** `molyso.generic/etc.FileCache` (*filename\_to\_be\_hashed*, *ignore\_cache='nothing'*,  
*cache\_token=None*)  
Bases: `molyso.generic/etc.BaseCache`

A caching class which stores the data in flat files.

**build\_cache\_filename** (*suffix*)

**Parameters** **suffix** –

**Returns**

**contains** (*key*)

**Parameters** **key** –

**Returns**

**get** (*key*)

**Parameters** **key** –

**Returns**

**set** (*key*, *value*)

**Parameters**

- **key** –
- **value** –

**class** `molyso.generic/etc.NotReallyATree` (*iterable*)  
Bases: list

The class is a some-what duck-type compatible (it has a `query` method) dumb replacement for (c)KDTrees. It can be used to find the nearest matching point to a query point. (And does that by exhaustive search...)

**query** (*q*)

Finds the point which is nearest to *q*. Uses the Euclidean distance.

**Parameters** **q** – query point

**Returns** distance, index

**Return type** float, int

```
>>> t = NotReallyATree([[1.0, 1.0], [2.0, 2.0], [3.0, 3.0]])
>>> t.query([1.25, 1.25])
(0.3535533905932738, 0)
>>> t = NotReallyATree([[1.0, 1.0], [2.0, 2.0], [3.0, 3.0]])
>>> t.query([2.3535533905932737622, 2.3535533905932737622])
(0.5000000000000002, 1)
```

**class** molyso.generic/etc.**QuickTableDumper**(*recipient=None*)  
Bases: object

**Parameters recipient** –

**add**(*row*)

**Parameters row** –

**delimiter** = '\t'

**line\_end** = '\n'

**precision** = 8

**stringify**(*obj*)

**Parameters obj** –

**Returns**

**write\_list**(*the\_list*)

**Parameters the\_list** –

**class** molyso.generic/etc.**Sqlite3Cache**(\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: *molyso.generic/etc.BaseCache*

A caching class which stores the data in a sqlite3 database.

**contains**(*key*)

**Parameters key** –

**Returns**

**get**(*key*)

**Parameters key** –

**Returns**

**keys**()

**Returns**

**set**(*key, value*)

**Parameters**

            • **key** –

            • **value** –

*molyso.generic/etc.bits\_to\_numpy\_type*(*bits*)

Returns a numpy.dtype for one of the common image bit-depths: 8 for unsigned int, 16 for unsigned short, 32 for float

**Parameters bits** –

**Returns**

*molyso.generic/etc.correct\_windows\_signal\_handlers*()

Dummy for non-windows os.

`molys.generic/etc.debug_init()`

Initialized debug mode, as of now this means that DebugPlot is set to active (it will produce a debug.pdf)

`molys.generic/etc.dummy_progress_indicator()`

**Returns**

`molys.generic/etc.fancy_progress_bar(iterable)`

**Parameters iterable –**

**Returns**

`molys.generic/etc.ignorant_next(iterable)`

Will try to iterate to the next value, or return None if none is available.

**Parameters iterable –**

**Returns**

`molys.generic/etc.ter_time(iterable)`

Will print the total time elapsed during iteration of iterable afterwards.

**Parameters iterable (iterable) – iterable**

**Return type** iterable

**Returns** iterable

`molys.generic/etc.parse_range(s, maximum=0)`

**Parameters**

- **s** –
- **maximum** –

**Returns**

`molys.generic/etc.pretty_numpy_array(arr, space_or_prefix)`

Returns a properly indented string representation of a numpy array.

**Parameters**

- **arr** –
- **space\_or\_prefix** –

**Returns**

`molys.generic/etc.silent_progress_bar(iterable)`

Dummy function, just returns an iterator.

**Parameters iterable (iterable) – the iterable to turn into an iterable**

**Returns** iterable

**Return type** iterable

```
>>> next(silent_progress_bar([1, 2, 3]))
1
```

## molys.generic.fft module

fft.py contains Fourier transform related helper functions mainly it abstracts the Fourier transform itself (currently just passing the calls through to the numpy functions)

`molys.generic.fft.hires_power_spectrum(signal, oversampling=1)`

Return a high resolution power spectrum (compare `power_spectrum()`) Resolution is enhanced by feeding the FFT a n times larger, zero-padded signal, which will yield frequency values of higher precision.

### Parameters

- **signal** (`numpy.array`) – input signal
- **oversampling** (`int`) – oversampling factor

**Returns** frequencies and fourier transformed values

**Return type** tuple(`numpy.array`, `numpy.array`)

`molysso.generic.fft.power_spectrum(signal)`

Return a power (absolute/real) spectrum (as opposed to the complex spectrum returned by `spectrum()` itself)

**Parameters** **signal** (`numpy.array`) – input signal

**Returns** frequencies and fourier transformed values

**Return type** tuple(`numpy.array`, `numpy.array`)

`molysso.generic.fft.spectrum(signal)`

Return a raw spectrum (values are complex). Use `power_spectrum()` to directly get real values.

**Parameters** **signal** (`numpy.array`) – input signal

**Returns** frequencies and fourier transformed values

**Return type** tuple(`numpy.array`, `numpy.array`)

`molysso.generic.fft.spectrum_bins(signal)`

Returns the bins associated with a Fourier transform of a signal of the same length of signal

**Parameters** **signal** (`numpy.array`) – input signal

**Returns** frequency bins

**Return type** `numpy.array`

`molysso.generic.fft.spectrum_bins_by_length(len_signal)`

Returns the bins associated with a Fourier transform of a signal of the length `len_signal`

**Parameters** **len\_signal** (`int`) – length of the desired bin distribution

**Returns** frequency bins

**Return type** `numpy.array`

`molysso.generic.fft.spectrum_fourier(signal)`

Calls the Fourier transform, and returns only the first half of the transform results

**Parameters** **signal** (`numpy.array`) – input signal

**Returns** Fourier transformed data

**Return type** `numpy.array`

## molysso.generic.otsu module

`otsu.py` contains an implementation of Otsu's thresholding method, taken verbatim from scikit-image.

`molysso.generic.otsu.histogram(image, nbins=256)`

Return histogram of image.

Unlike `numpy.histogram`, this function returns the centers of bins and does not rebin integer arrays. For integer arrays, each integer value has its own bin, which improves speed and intensity-resolution.

The histogram is computed on the flattened image: for color images, the function should be used separately on each channel to obtain a histogram for each color channel.

### Parameters

- **image** (`numpy.ndarray`) – Input image.

- **nbins** (*int, optional*) – Number of bins used to calculate histogram. This value is ignored for integer arrays.

**Returns** The values of the histogram, the values at the center of the bins.

**Return type** tuple(numpy.ndarray, numpy.ndarray)

`molyso.generic.otsu.threshold_otsu(image, nbins=256)`

Return threshold value based on Otsu's method.

#### Parameters

- **image** (numpy.ndarray) – Input image
- **nbins** (*int, optional*) – Number of bins used to calculate histogram. This value is ignored for integer arrays.

**Returns** Upper threshold value. All pixels intensities that less or equal of this value assumed as foreground.

**Return type** float

## `molyso.generic.registration module`

registration.py contains a simple 2D image registration function, which registers images by checking the individual horizontal and vertical shifts

`molyso.generic.registration.shift_image(image, shift, background='input')`

#### Parameters

- **image** –
- **shift** –
- **background** –

#### Returns

**raise ValueError**

`molyso.generic.registration.translation_2x1d(image_a=None, image_b=None, ffts_a=(), ffts_b=(), return_a=False, return_b=False)`

#### Parameters

- **image\_a** –
- **image\_b** –
- **ffts\_a** –
- **ffts\_b** –
- **return\_a** –
- **return\_b** –

#### Returns

## `molyso.generic.rotation module`

## `molyso.generic.signal module`

signal processing helper routines

```
class molyso.generic.signal.ExtremeAndProminence
Bases: molyso.generic.signal.ExtremeAndProminence
```

Result of `find_extrema_and_prominence` call.

#### Variables

- `maxima` –
- `minima` –
- `signal` –
- `order` –
- `max_spline` –
- `min_spline` –
- `xpts` –
- `max_spline_points` –
- `min_spline_points` –
- `prominence` –

```
molyso.generic.signal.each_image_slice(image, steps, direction='vertical')
```

#### Parameters

- `image` –
- `steps` –
- `direction` –

#### Returns

```
>>> list(each_image_slice(np.ones((4, 4))), 2, direction='vertical'))
[(0, 2, array([[1., 1.],
               [1., 1.],
               [1., 1.],
               [1., 1.]])), (1, 2, array([[1., 1.],
               [1., 1.],
               [1., 1.],
               [1., 1.]]))]
>>> list(each_image_slice(np.ones((4, 4))), 2, direction='horizontal'))
[(0, 2, array([[1., 1., 1., 1.],
               [1., 1., 1., 1.]])), (1, 2, array([[1., 1., 1., 1.],
               [1., 1., 1., 1.]]))]
```

```
molyso.generic.signal.find_extrema_and_prominence(signal, order=5)
```

Generates various extra information / signals.

#### Parameters

- `signal` (`numpy.ndarray`) – input signal
- `order` (`int`) – relative minima/maxima order, see other functions

**Returns** an ExtremeAndProminence object with various information members

**Return type** `ExtremeAndProminence`

```
>>> result = find_extrema_and_prominence(np.array([1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 15,
-> 2, -15, 2, 1]), 2)
>>> result._replace(max_spline=None, min_spline=None) # just for_
-> doctests
>>> result
ExtremeAndProminence(maxima=array([2, 8]), minima=array([-5, 10]),_
-> signal=array([-1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 15, 2]), order=2, max_spline=None, min_spline=None, xpts=array([-0., 1., 2.,_
-> 3., 4., 5., 6., 7., 8., 9., 10., 11., 12.]), max_spline_points=array([-_
-> 3., 2.4875, 3., 4.3125, 6.2, 8.4375])
```

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```

    13.0625, 15.      , 16.3875, 17.      , 16.6125, 15.      ]),
    min_spline_
    ↪points=array([-9.73055091e-16,  3.38571429e+00,  4.71428571e+00,  4.
    ↪35000000e+00,
    2.65714286e+00,  5.21804822e-15, -3.25714286e+00, -6.75000000e+00,
    -1.01142857e+01, -1.29857143e+01, -1.50000000e+01, -1.57928571e+01,
    -1.50000000e+01]), prominence=array([ 3.          , -0.89821429, -1.
    ↪71428571, -0.0375      , 3.54285714,
    8.4375      , 14.05714286, 19.8125      , 25.11428571, 29.37321429,
    32.          , 32.40535714, 30.          ]))

```

`molyso.generic.signal.find_insides(signal)`

**Parameters** `signal` –

**Returns**

```

>>> find_insides(np.array([False, False, True, True, True, False, False, True,
    ↪True, False, False]))
array([[2, 5],
       [7, 9]])

```

`molyso.generic.signal.find_phase(signal_1=None, signal_2=None, fft_1=None,`  
`fft_2=None, return_1=False, return_2=False)`

Finds the phase (time shift) between two signals. Either signalX or fftX should be set; the FFTs can be returned in order to cache them locally...

**Parameters**

- `signal_1` (`numpy.ndarray` or `None`) – first input signal
- `signal_2` (`numpy.ndarray` or `None`) – second input signal
- `fft_1` (`numpy.ndarray` or `None`) – first input fft
- `fft_2` (`numpy.ndarray` or `None`) – second input fft
- `return_1` (`bool`) – whether fft1 should be returned
- `return_2` (`bool`) – whether fft2 should be returned

**Returns** (`shift, (fft1 if return_1), (fft2 if return_2)`)

**Return type** tuple

```

>>> find_phase(np.array([0, 1, 0, 0, 0]), np.array([0, 0, 0, 1, 0]))
(2,)

```

`molyso.generic.signal.fit_to_type(image, new_dtype)`

**Parameters**

- `image` –
- `new_dtype` –

**Returns**

```

>>> fit_to_type(np.array([-7, 4, 18, 432]), np.uint8)
array([ 0,  6, 14, 255], dtype=uint8)
>>> fit_to_type(np.array([-7, 4, 18, 432]), np.int8)
array([-128, -121, -113, 127], dtype=int8)
>>> fit_to_type(np.array([-7, 4, 18, 432]), np.bool)
array([False, False, False, True])
>>> fit_to_type(np.array([-7, 4, 18, 432]), np.float32)
array([-7., 4., 18., 432.], dtype=float32)

```

molyso.generic.signal.**horizontal\_mean**(*image*)

Calculates the horizontal mean of an image. Note: Image is assumed HORIZONTAL x VERTICAL.

**Parameters** **image** (`numpy.ndarray`) – input image**Returns**

```
>>> horizontal_mean(np.array([[ 1,  2,  3,  4],
...                           [ 5,  6,  7,  8],
...                           [ 9, 10, 11, 12],
...                           [13, 14, 15, 16]]))
array([ 7.,  8.,  9., 10.])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**normalize**(*data*)

normalizes the values in arr to 0 - 1

**Parameters** **data** – input array**Returns** normalized array

```
>>> normalize(np.array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]))
array([0., 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1.])
```

```
>>> normalize(np.array([10, 15, 20]))
array([0., 0.5, 1.])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**one\_every\_n**(*length, n=1, shift=0*)**Parameters**

- **length** –
- **n** –
- **shift** –

**Returns**

```
>>> one_every_n(10, n=2, shift=0)
array([1., 0., 1., 0., 1., 0., 1., 0., 1., 0.])
>>> one_every_n(10, n=2, shift=1)
array([0., 1., 0., 1., 0., 1., 0., 1., 0., 1.])
>>> one_every_n(10, n=1, shift=0)
array([1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1., 1.])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**outliers**(*data, times\_std=2.0*)**Parameters**

- **data** –
- **times\_std** –

**Returns**

```
>>> outliers(np.array([10, 9, 11, 40, 8, 12, 14, 7]), times_std=1.0)
array([False, False, False, True, False, False, False])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**relative\_maxima**(*signal, order=1*)**Parameters**

- **signal** –
- **order** –

**Returns**

```
>>> relative_maxima(np.array([1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 15, 2, -15, 2, 1]), 2)
array([2, 8])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**relative\_minima**(*signal*, *order*=1)

#### Parameters

- **signal** –
- **order** –

#### Returns

```
>>> relative_minima(np.array([1, 2, 3, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 15, 2, -15, 2, 1]), 2)
array([ 5, 10])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**remove\_outliers**(*data*, *times\_std*=2.0)

#### Parameters

- **data** –
- **times\_std** –

#### Returns

```
>>> remove_outliers(np.array([10, 9, 11, 40, 8, 12, 14, 7]), times_std=1.0)
array([10, 9, 11, 8, 12, 14, 7])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**simple\_baseline\_correction**(*signal*, *window\_width*=None)

Performs a simple baseline correction by subtracting a strongly smoothed version of the signal from itself.

#### Parameters

- **signal** – input signal
- **window\_width** – smoothing window width

#### Returns

```
>>> simple_baseline_correction(np.array([10, 11, 12, 11, 10]))
array([-1.          ,  0.375       ,  1.          , -0.375       , -0.96428571])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**threshold\_outliers**(*data*, *times\_std*=2.0)

removes outliers

#### Parameters

- **data** –
- **times\_std** –

#### Returns

```
>>> threshold_outliers(np.array([10, 9, 11, 40, 8, 12, 14, 7]), times_std=1.0)
array([10, 9, 11, 20, 8, 12, 14, 7])
```

molyso.generic.signal.**vertical\_mean**(*image*)

Calculates the vertical mean of an image. Note: Image is assumed HORIZONTAL x VERTICAL.

#### Parameters **image** –

#### Returns

```
>>> vertical_mean(np.array([[ 1,  2,  3,  4],
...                           [ 5,  6,  7,  8],
...                           [ 9, 10, 11, 12],
```

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```
...
array([ 2.5,  6.5, 10.5, 14.5])
```

## molyso.generic.smoothing module

smoothing.py contains the main smoothing function, which works by convolving a signal with a smoothing kernel, a signals function which acts as a cache for kernels, as well as the hamming\_smooth function, which is the only one currently used by external files, providing a simplified interface for smoothing with hamming kernels.

`molyso.generic.smoothing.hamming_smooth(signal, window_width, no_cache=False)`

Smooths a signal by convolving with a hamming window of given width. Caches by the hamming windows by default.

### Parameters

- **signal** (`numpy.ndarray`) – input signal to be smoothed
- **window\_width** (`int`) – window width for the hamming kernel
- **no\_cache** (`bool`) – default `False`, disables caching, e.g., for non-standard window sizes

**Returns** the smoothed signal

**Return type** `numpy.ndarray`

```
>>> hamming_smooth(np.array([0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0]), 3)
array([0.          , 0.          , 0.          , 0.          , 0.06896552,
       0.86206897, 0.06896552, 0.          , 0.          ])
```

`molyso.generic.smoothing.signals(function, parameters)`

Signal cache helper function. Either retrieves or creates and stores a signal which can be created by calling the given function with the given parameters.

### Parameters

- **function** (`callable`) – Window function to be called
- **parameters** (`*any`) – Parameters to be passed to the function

**Returns** `function(*parameters)`

**Return type** dependent on function

```
>>> signals(np.ones, 3)
array([1., 1., 1.])
```

`molyso.generic.smoothing.smooth(signal, kernel)`

Generic smoothing function, smooths by convolving one signal with another.

### Parameters

- **signal** (`numpy.ndarray`) – input signal to be smoothed
- **kernel** (`numpy.ndarray`) – smoothing kernel to be used. will be normalized to  $\sum = 1$

**Returns** The signal convolved with the kernel

**Return type** `numpy.ndarray`

```
>>> smooth(np.array([0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0]), np.ones(3))
array([0.          , 0.          , 0.          , 0.          , 0.33333333,
       0.33333333, 0.33333333, 0.          , 0.          ])
```

## molyso.generic.tunable module

tunable.py contains a tunable (settings to be changed depending on input data) management class

```
class molyso.generic.tunable.TunableManager
```

Bases: object

Static object handling tunables (that is, parameters which are user-changeable)

Tunables have default values, which must be set as a parameter by the function asking for the tunable. That way, default configuration is inlined, and does not need to be centrally managed. In order to collect all defaults, a typical run of the program has to be performed, and the collected default values to be dumped afterwards.

### Variables

- **defaults** (*dict*) – Internal map of defaults
- **current** (*dict*) – Current tunables, with possible overrides.
- **force\_default** (*bool*) – Whether to force usage of default values (default: *False*)

```
current = {}
```

```
defaults = {}
```

```
descriptions = {}
```

```
force_default = False
```

```
classmethod get_defaults()
```

Gets the defaults, which were collected during the calls asking for various tunables.

**Returns** either the overridden tunable or the default value

**Return type** dependent on default

```
>>> TunableManager.defaults = {}
>>> value = tunable('my.tunable', 3.1415)
>>> TunableManager.get_defaults()
{'my.tunable': 3.1415}
```

```
classmethod get_descriptions()
```

Gets descriptions.

**Returns** The descriptions.

**Return type** dict

```
classmethod get_table()
```

```
classmethod get_tunable(what, default)
```

Returns either an overridden tunable, or the default value. The result will be casted to the type of default.

### Parameters

- **what** (*str*) – tunable to look up
- **default** – default value

**Returns** either the overridden tunable or the default value

```
>>> tunable('my.tunable', 3.1415)
3.1415
```

```
classmethod load_tunables(data)
```

Sets the tunables.

**Parameters** **data** (*dict*) – set of tunables to load

**Return type** None

```
>>> TunableManager.load_tunables({'foo': 'bar'})  
>>> tunable('foo', 'not bar')  
'bar'
```

**logger** = <Logger molyso.generic.tunable.TunableManager (WARNING)>

**classmethod set\_description(what, description)**

Sets a description for a parameter.

#### Parameters

- **what** – parameter to describe
- **description** – description

#### Returns

**molyso.generic.tunable.tunable(what, default, description=None)**

Syntactic sugar helper function, to quickly get a tunable. Calls: TunableManager.get\_tunable(what, default)

#### Parameters

- **what** (str or unicode) – tunable to look up
- **default** – default value
- **description** – description

**Returns** either the overridden tunable or the default value

**Return type** type(default)

```
>>> tunable('my.tunable', 3.1415)  
3.1415
```

### 1.6.1.3 molyso.imageio package

#### molyso.imageio.imagestack module

#### molyso.imageio.imagestack\_ometiff module

### 1.6.1.4 molyso.mm package

MM Module, contains *Mother Machine* analysis specific functionality.

#### molyso.mm.cell\_detection module

documentation

**class** molyso.mm.cell\_detection.Cell(*top, bottom, channel*)  
Bases: object

A Cell.

#### Parameters

- **top** – coordinate of the ‘top’ of the cell, in channel coordinates
- **bottom** – coordinate of the ‘bottom’ of the cell, in channel coordinates
- **channel** – Channel object the cell belongs to

**bottom**

Returns the absolute (on rotated image) coordinate of the cell bottom.

**Returns****cell\_image**

The cell image, cropped out of the channel image.

**Returns** image**Return type** numpy.ndarray**centroid**

Returns the (absolute coordinate on rotated image) centroid (2D). :return: :rtype: list

**centroid\_1d**

Returns the (one dimensional) (absolute coordinate on rotated image) centroid. :return: centroid :rtype: float

**channel****crop\_out\_of\_channel\_image**(*channel\_image*)

Crops the clel out of a provided image. Used internally for `Cell.cell_image()`, and to crop cells out of fluorescence channel images.

**Parameters** `channel_image`(`numpy.ndarray`) –**Returns** image**Return type** numpy.ndarray**length**

Returns the cell length.

**Returns** length**local\_bottom****local\_top****top**

Returns the absolute (on rotated image) coordinate of the cell top.

**Returns** top**class** molyso.mm.cell\_detection.**Cells**(*channel*, *bootstrap=True*)

Bases: object

A Cells object, a collection of Cell objects.

**cell\_type**

alias of `Cell`

**cells\_list****centroids**

Returns the centroids of the cells.

**Returns** centroids**Return type** list**channel****clean()**

Performs clean-up.

**nearest\_tree**`molyso.mm.cell_detection.find_cells_in_channel`(*image*)`molyso.mm.cell_detection.find_cells_in_channel_classic`(*image*)

Parameters `image` –

Returns

## `molyso.mm.channel_detection` module

documentation

**class** `molyso.mm.channel_detection.Channel` (`image, left, right, top, bottom`)  
Bases: `object`

Parameters

- `image` –
- `left` –
- `right` –
- `top` –
- `bottom` –

`bottom`

Returns

`cells`

`cells_type`

alias of `molyso.mm.cell_detection.Cells`

`centroid`

Returns

`channel_image`

`clean()`

Performs clean up routines.

`crop_out_of_image` (`image`)

Parameters `image` –

Returns

`detect_cells()`

Performs Cell detection (by instantiating a Cells object).

`get_coordinates()`

Returns

`image`

`left`

`putative_orientation`

`real_bottom`

`real_top`

`right`

`top`

Returns

```
class molyso.mm.channel_detection.Channels (image, bootstrap=True)
Bases: object
docstring

align_with_and_return_indices (other_channels)
    Parameters other_channels -
    Returns

centroids
    Returns

channel_type
    alias of Channel

channels_list

clean ()
    Performs clean up routines.

find_nearest (pos)
    Parameters pos -
    Returns

image

nearest_tree

molyso.mm.channel_detection.alternate_vertical_channel_region_detection (image)

    Parameters image -
    Returns

molyso.mm.channel_detection.find_channels (image)
    channel finder :param image: :return:

molyso.mm.channel_detection.horizontal_channel_detection (image)
    @param image: @return:

molyso.mm.channel_detection.vertical_channel_region_detection (image)

    Parameters image -
    Returns
```

## molyso.mm.fluorescence module

### molyso.mm.highlevel module

#### molyso.mm.highlevel\_interactive\_ground\_truth module

documentation

```
molyso.mm.highlevel_interactive_ground_truth.interactive_ground_truth_main (args,
                                                                           tracked_results)
```

Ground truth mode entry function.

##### Parameters

- args -
- tracked\_results -

##### Returns

raise SystemExit

## [molyso.mm.highlevel\\_interactive\\_viewer module](#)

documentation

`molyso.mm.highlevel_interactive_viewer.interactive_main(args)`

**Parameters** `args` –

**Raises** `SystemExit` –

## [molyso.mm.image module](#)

### [molyso.mm.tracking module](#)

documentation

`class molyso.mm.tracking.TrackedPosition`

Bases: `object`

A `TrackedPosition` object contains various `CellTracker` objects for each channel within a multipoint position, as well as other information associated with the position.

`align_channels(progress_indicator=<callable_iterator object>)`

**Parameters** `progress_indicator` –

`find_first_valid_time()`

Finds the first valid time point for the position.

`get_tracking_work_size()`

**Returns**

`guess_channel_orientation()`

Tries to guess the channel orientation. 1 if the closed end ('mother side') is the high coordinates, -1 if low ...

`logger`

`perform_everything(times)`

**Parameters** `times` –

**Returns**

`perform_tracking(progress_indicator=<callable_iterator object>)`

**Parameters** `progress_indicator` –

`remove_empty_channels()`

Removes empty channels from the data set.

`remove_empty_channels_post_tracking()`

Removes empty channels after tracking.

`set_times(times)`

**Parameters** `times` –

`molyso.mm.tracking.analyse_cell_fates(tracker, previous_cells, current_cells)`

**Parameters**

- `tracker` –

- `previous_cells` –

- **current\_cells** –

**Returns**

```
molyso.mm.tracking.each_k_tracking_tracker_channels_in_results(tracking)
```

**Parameters** *tracking* –

```
molyso.mm.tracking.each_pos_k_tracking_tracker_channels_in_results(inner_tracked_results)
```

**Parameters** *inner\_tracked\_results* –

## molyso.mm.tracking\_infrastructure module

This module contains cell tracking infrastructure.

```
class molyso.mm.tracking_infrastructure.CellCrossingCheckingGlobalDuoOptimizerQueue
```

Bases: object

```
add_outcome(cost, involved_a, involved_b, what)
```

**Parameters**

- **cost** –
- **involved\_a** –
- **involved\_b** –
- **what** –

**Returns**

```
perform_optimal()
```

**Returns**

```
class molyso.mm.tracking_infrastructure.CellTracker
```

Bases: object

The CellTracker contains all tracks of a channel.

```
all_tracked_cells
```

```
average_cells
```

Returns the average count of cells present in this tracked channel.

**Returns**

```
get_cell_by_observation(where)
```

Returns the associated cell by its observation.

**Parameters** *where* –

**Returns**

```
is_tracked(cell)
```

Returns whether the cell is tracked.

**Parameters** *cell* –

**Returns**

```
new_cell()
```

Creates a new TrackedCell object associated with this tracker.

**Returns**

```
new_observed_cell(where)
```

Creates a new TrackedCell object, with added observation.

**Parameters** *where* –

**Returns**

**new\_observed\_origin**(*where*)

Creates a new TrackedCell object and adds it as an origin, with added observation. :param where:  
:return:

**new\_origin**()

Creates a new TrackedCell object and adds it as an origin.

**Returns**

**origins**

**tick**()

Ticks the clock. Sets the internal timepoint counter forward by one.

**timepoints**

**class** molyso.mm.tracking\_infrastructure.**TrackedCell**(*tracker*)

Bases: object

**Parameters** *tracker* –

**add\_child**(*tcell*)

**Parameters** *tcell* –

**Returns**

**add\_children**(\**children*)

**Parameters** *children* –

**add\_observation**(*cell*)

**Parameters** *cell* –

**Returns**

**children**

**elongation\_rates**

**Returns**

**parent**

**raw\_elongation\_rates**

**raw\_trajectories**

**seen\_as**

**tracker**

**trajectories**

**Returns**

**ultimate\_parent**

**Returns**

molyso.mm.tracking\_infrastructure.**to\_list**(*x*)

**Parameters** *x* –

**Returns**

## molyso.mm.tracking\_output module

documentation

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.analyze_tracking(cells, receptor, meta=None)
```

### Parameters

- **meta** –
- **cells** –
- **receptor** –

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.catch_attribute_error(what, otherwise)
```

runs callable ‘what’ and catches AttributeError, returning ‘otherwise’ if one occurred :param what: callable :param otherwise: alternate result in case of IndexError :return: result of ‘what’ or ‘otherwise’ in case of IndexError

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.catch_index_error(what, otherwise)
```

runs callable ‘what’ and catches IndexErrors, returning ‘otherwise’ if one occurred :param what: callable :param otherwise: alternate result in case of IndexError :return: result of ‘what’ or ‘otherwise’ in case of IndexError

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.get_object_unique_id(obj)
```

### Parameters **obj** –

### Returns

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.iterate_over_cells(cells)
```

### Parameters **cells** –

### Returns

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.plot_timeline(p, channels, cells, figure_presetup=None, figure_finished=None, show_images=True, show_overlay=True, leave_open=False)
```

### Parameters

- **p** –
- **channels** –
- **cells** –
- **figure\_presetup** –
- **figure\_finished** –
- **show\_images** –
- **show\_overlay** –
- **leave\_open** –

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.s_to_h(s)
```

converts seconds to hours :param s: seconds :return: hours

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.s_to_h_str(s, *args, **kwargs)
```

converts seconds to hours as a rounded string :param s: seconds :return: hours :param s: seconds :return: hours string

```
molyso.mm.tracking_output.tracker_to_cell_list(tracker)
```

### Parameters **tracker** –

### Returns

### 1.6.1.5 molyso.test package

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