

Computational micromagnetics with JOOMMF

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- Towards embedding OOMMF into the Jupyter Notebook
(→ J-OOMMF)
- Drive OOMMF through Python interface
- Use Python interface in Jupyter Notebook

Terminology: OOMMFC

- OOMMFC Stands for OOMMF Calculator

Example 1

Macrospin

Example 2

Skyrmion

Benefits

Benefits Python Interface

- OOMMF simulation study in single (Python) file
- Multiple simulation runs within the same script
- Exploit existing (Python) libraries and tools

Benefits Jupyter Notebook

- Can embed simulation and data analysis in one document
- interactive exploration
- Reproducibility
- Sharing of study (static output as html, latex, pdf)
- ... (→ standard problem 3)

How does the interface to OOMMF work?

Via MIF files

1. write MIF file
2. execute OOMMF
3. read output files

Why ?

- most robust approach. More details in:
- Marijan Beg, Ryan A. Pepper, Hans Fangohr *User interfaces for computational science: a domain specific language for OOMMF embedded in Python* AIP Advances 7, 056025 (2017)
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.07432>

How to install?

- See <http://joommf.github.io>
 - Instructions for Windows, OSX and Linux
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1. Need OOMMF natively installed
(and set variable `OOMMF_TCL` to point to `oommf.tcl` file)
or
Docker (<http://docker.com>)
2. Need Python (Suggest Anaconda distribution)
3. Install oommfc via
`$> pip install oommfc`

Is it ready to use?

Software ready to use?

- Yes(-ish)
- interface may change, although we try to avoid it
- Not all OOMMF features supported yet - tell us what is important
- users and questions welcome

Support available

- see <http://joommf.github.io>
- Email, Gitter, Github issues, Workshops, ...

JOOMMF Workshop this Wednesday

Wednesday: main workshop: lectures and exercises

- 10:30 – 12:30 Introduction to Micromagnetics and OOMMF (Mike Donahue)
- 14:00 – 17:00 *Introduction to Jupyter OOMMF* (Hans Fangohr, Marijan Beg, Ryan Pepper, Leoni Breth)

Every day (Mon, Tue, Wed): Installation and help desk

- Monday 17:30-18:30 (Bierstube, red sofas exhibition centre)
- Tuesday 17:00-18:00 (after talks, red sofas)
- Wednesday 9:00 - 10:00 (before workshop, 2nd floor teaching tower block)

Summary

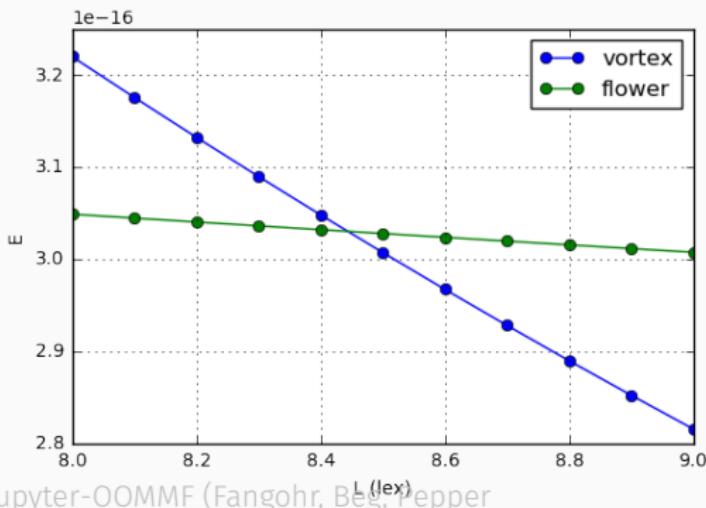
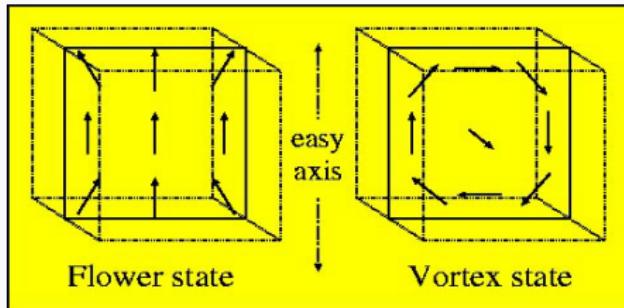
Jupyter-OOMMF

- drive OOMMF from Notebook using Python
- nearly ready to use
- feedback welcome
- <http://joommf.github.io>

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Standard Problem 3



Full problem specification:
<http://www.ctcms.nist.gov/~rdm/spec3.html>

Live demonstration 1

```
In [1]: import oommfc as oc          # access to OOMMF Calculator  
  
import discretisedfield as df      # other setup to keep the next slides brief  
import numpy as np  
from math import sin, cos, pi, sqrt  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
%matplotlib inline
```

Micromagnetic standard problem 3

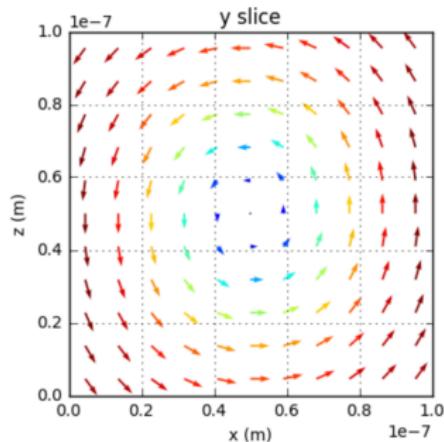
```
In [2]: def m_init_flower(pos):  
    """Given a pos vector pos = (x, y, z), return the magnetisation  
    vector (mx, my, mz) for that position.  
    # flower pattern:  
    mx = 0  
    my = 2 * z - 1  
    mz = -2 * y + 1  
    norm_squared = mx**2 + my**2 + mz**2  
    if norm_squared <= 0.05:  
        return (1, 0, 0)  
    else:  
        return (mx, my, mz)  
  
def m_init_vortex(pos):  
    """Given a pos vector pos = (x, y, z), return the magnetisation  
    vector (mx, my, mz) for that position.  
    # vortex pattern  
    mx = 0  
    my = sin(pi/2 * (x-0.5))  
    mz = cos(pi/2 * (x-0.5))  
  
    return (mx, my, mz)
```

Live demonstration 2

Relaxed magnetisation states: vortex state

```
In [4]: system = minimise_system_energy(8, m_init_vortex)      # calling OOMMF
```

```
In [5]: fig = system.m.plot_slice('y', 50e-9, xsize=4)
```

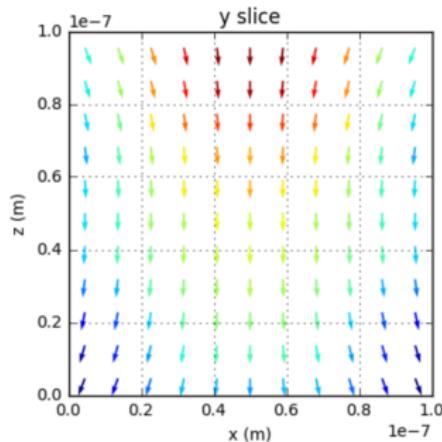


Live demonstration 3

Flower state:

```
In [6]: system = minimise_system_energy(8, m_init_flower)
```

```
In [7]: fig = system.m.plot_slice('y', 50e-9, xsize=4)
```



Live demonstration 4

Create the energy crossing plot

```
In [8]: L_array = np.linspace(8, 9, 3) # values of L, from 8 to 9 in 4 steps

vortex_energies = []
flower_energies = []

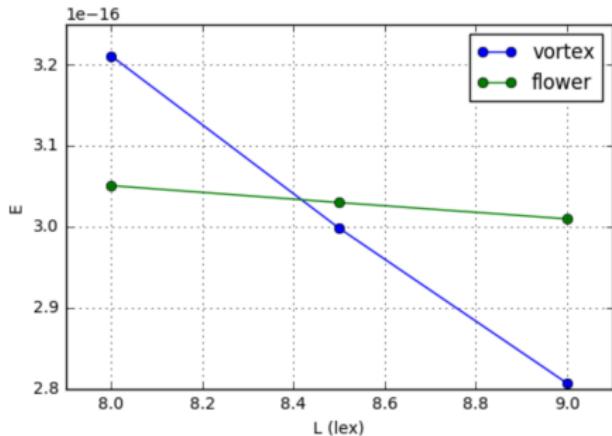
for L in L_array:
    print("Computing vortex L={} using OOMMF".format(L))
    vortex = minimise_system_energy(L, m_init_vortex)
    print("Computing flower L={} using OOMMF".format(L))
    flower = minimise_system_energy(L, m_init_flower)

    vortex_energies.append(vortex.total_energy()) # remember energies for later
    flower_energies.append(flower.total_energy()) # plotting
```

```
Computing vortex L=8.0 using OOMMF
Computing flower L=8.0 using OOMMF
Computing vortex L=8.5 using OOMMF
Computing flower L=8.5 using OOMMF
Computing vortex L=9.0 using OOMMF
Computing flower L=9.0 using OOMMF
```

Live demonstration 5

```
In [9]: plt.plot(L_array, vortex_energies, 'o-', label='vortex')
plt.plot(L_array, flower_energies, 'o-', label='flower')
plt.xlabel('L (lex)')
plt.ylabel('E')
plt.xlim([7.9, 9.1])
plt.grid()
plt.legend();
```



Live demonstration 6

Use bisection method to find energy crossing automatically

```
In [10]: from scipy.optimize import bisect

def energy_difference(L):
    print("Computing energy difference at L = {}".format(L))
    vortex = minimise_system_energy(L, m_init_vortex)
    flower = minimise_system_energy(L, m_init_flower)
    return vortex.total_energy() - flower.total_energy()

cross_section = bisect(energy_difference, 8.3, 8.5, xtol=0.01)

print("The transition between vortex and flower states occurs approximately at {}*lex".format(cross_section))

Computing energy difference at L = 8.3
Computing energy difference at L = 8.5
Computing energy difference at L = 8.4
Computing energy difference at L = 8.45
Computing energy difference at L = 8.425
Computing energy difference at L = 8.4125
Computing energy difference at L = 8.41875
The transition between vortex and flower states occurs approximately at 8.41875*lex
```