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PyRoIL is an OpenSource rolling framework, aimed to provide a fast and extensible base for rolling simulation. The current focus lies on groove rolling in elongation grooves. The core packages comes with a basic set of models to allow a first estimation of forces and torques occurring in a pass sequence. There is a flexible plugin system, able to modify and extend the model set available to describe the process.

If the `pyroll` package is installed via `pip`, a command line tool name `pyroll` is installed alongside in the system.

If the tool is not available, please check the content of your `PATH` environment variable.

The tool has the following syntax:

```
pyroll [OPTIONS] COMMAND1 [ARGS]... [COMMAND2 [ARGS]...]...
```

As one can see, subcommands can be chained in one command line. For this reason subcommands take never arguments, but only options. Commands that rely on the data generated by another command *must* be chained, since no data persists between different runs of the tool.

At `OPTIONS` several gloabl options can be set, namely:

Option	Description
<code>-c, --configfile PATH</code>	Give a path to a config YAML file. Per default the file <code>./config.yaml</code> is used if it exists. See here for details.
<code>-p, --plugin NAME</code>	Give a plugin to load additionally to the ones specified in the config. Can be used multiple times.

The tool provides a set of subcommands explained in [the following section](#).

COMMANDS

1.1 create-config

Creates a standard config file with basic logging configuration and empty plugins list. The file is created in the path specified by the `-f/--file` option, which defaults to `./config.yaml`.

1.2 create-input-py

Creates a sample input script for use with the `input-py` command. The file is created in the path specified by the `-f/--file` option, which defaults to `./input.py`. This file can be used as is and modified as desired. It represents the conditions of the 3-high experimental rolling stand at the [Institute of Metals Forming](#).

1.3 new

Creates a new PyRoLL simulation project in the directory specified by `-d/--dir`. The directory will be created if not already existing. Creates a `config.yaml` and an `input.py` in the specified directory. This command is basically a shortcut for

```
pyroll -c <dir>/config.yaml create-config -p -f <dir>/config.yaml create-input-py -k min_
↪ -f <dir>/input.py
```

in a fresh or existing directory.

1.4 input-py

Reads input data from the file specified by the `-f/--file` option, which defaults to `./input.py`. Use the `create-input-py` command to create a sample which can be modified. See [here](#) for more information on the format of this file.

1.5 solve

Runs the solution procedure for the pass sequence loaded by one of the input commands.

1.6 report

Generates a HTML report page from the simulation results. The contents of the page can be extended by plugins, please see [here](#) for additional information. The file to write to can be specified with the `-f/--file` option, which defaults to `report.html`.

EXAMPLES

To read from a python script, solve and generate a report just use:

```
pyroll input-py solve report
```

To specify the files explicitly use:

```
pyroll input-py -f input.py solve report -f report.html
```

To use a different config file:

```
pyroll -c config2.yaml input-py solve report
```

To load additional plugins:

```
pyroll -p pyroll_plugin1 -p pyroll_plugin2 input-py solve report
```


CONFIG FILE FORMAT

The configuration has to be specified in YAML format. The content of the default config file is as follows:

```
plugins: [ ] # list full qualified names of plugins to load (as they were importable in ↵
↵real python code)

logging: # configuration for the logging standard library package
  version: 1
  formatters:
    console:
      format: '%(levelname)s %(name)s: %(message)s'
    file:
      format: '%(asctime)s %(levelname)s %(name)s: %(message)s'

  handlers:
    console:
      class: logging.StreamHandler
      level: INFO
      formatter: console
      stream: ext://sys.stdout
    file:
      class: logging.FileHandler
      level: INFO
      formatter: file
      filename: pyroll.log

  root:
    level: INFO
    handlers: [ console, file ]

  loggers:
    matplotlib:
      level: ERROR
```

In the plugins node several plugins can be specified to load additionally to the core functionalities. List the full qualified package name you want to load, as you would import in Python. For example to load the [Wusatowski Spreading](#) and the [Integral Thermal](#) plugins:

```
plugins:
- pyroll_wusatowski_spreading
- pyroll_integral_thermal
```

The logging node configures logging using the Python standard logging package, see [here](#) for further information on that. The default config specifies logging on the console and to the `pyroll.log` file on information level. If you want more detailed logging, replace the INFO specifiers with DEBUG. To avoid log pollution by the matplotlib package, their level is set to ERROR.

PYTHON INPUT FORMAT

The most flexible way of defining input for PyRoIL is the direct use of a python script. A script loadable by the *input-py* command must define at least two variables:

Variable	Description
<code>in_profile</code>	A <i>Profile</i> object defining the properties of the incoming workpiece.
<code>sequence</code>	A list of <i>Unit</i> objects (either <i>RollPass</i> or <i>Transport</i>) defining the pass sequence.

A minimal input script is shown below:

```
from pyroll.core.grooves import SquareGroove, DiamondGroove
from pyroll.core import Profile
from pyroll.core import RollPass
from numpy import pi

# initial profile
in_profile = Profile(
    width=68e-3,
    height=68e-3,
    groove=SquareGroove(r1=0, r2=3e-3, tip_angle=pi / 2, tip_depth=34e-3),
    temperature=1200 + 273.15,
    strain=0,
    material="C45",
    flow_stress=50e6
)

# pass sequence
sequence = [
    RollPass(
        label="Diamond I",
        groove=DiamondGroove(
            usable_width=76.55e-3,
            tip_depth=22.1e-3,
            r1=12e-3,
            r2=8e-3
        ),
        roll_radius=160e-3,
        velocity=1.4,
        gap=3e-3,
    ),
    RollPass(
```

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```
        label="Square II",
        groove=SquareGroove(
            usable_width=52.7e-3,
            tip_depth=25.95e-3,
            r1=8e-3,
            r2=6e-3
        ),
        roll_radius=160e-3,
        velocity=1.4,
        gap=3e-3,
    ),
]
```

The attributes to give as keyword arguments to the constructors depend on the plugins loaded. Most plugins need additional data about the pass sequence or the incoming profile. For information on the basic data needed see the docs of *Profile*, *RollPass* and *Transport*.

THE CONCEPT OF GROOVES IN PYROLL

5.1 The Generalized Groove

All elongation grooves can be traced back to a generalized elongation groove consisting of two straights and four radii. The geometry of this is shown below.

All geometric key values like cross-sections and perimeters can be calculated on this generalized groove. The generalized groove is implemented in the `GrooveBase` class, all special groove types are derived from that.

In the following the measures of the groove are listed, their names are used in source code and throughout the documentation. The radii and angles are numbered from outside to inside.

Symbol	Description
r	Radius
α	Angle corresponding to a radius
β, γ	Angles useful for coordinate calculation
b_d	Ground width
b'_d	Even ground width
b_{ks}	Tip width
b_{kn}	Usable width
d	Depth
i	Indent
s	Roll gap

The coordinates of the points 1 to 12 shown in the figure can be calculated as follows, where the angles $\beta = \alpha_4 - \alpha_3/2$ and $\gamma = \frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3 + \alpha_4$.

number	z	y
1	$z_2 + r_1 \tan \frac{\alpha_2}{2}$	0
2	$\frac{b_{kn}}{2}$	0
3	$z_1 - r_1 \sin \alpha_1$	$r_1 (1 - \cos \alpha_1)$
4	$z_{11} + r_2 \cos \gamma$	$y_{11} + r_2 \sin \gamma$
5	$z_{10} + r_3 \sin \left(\frac{\alpha_3}{2} - \beta \right)$	$y_{10} + r_3 \cos \frac{\alpha_3}{2}$
6	$z_8 + r_4 \sin \alpha_4$	$y_8 - r_4 \sin \alpha_4$
7	$\frac{b'_d}{2}$	$d - i$
8	$\frac{b'_d}{2}$	$y_7 + r_4$
9	0	y_7
10	$z_6 + r_3 \sin \left(\frac{\alpha_3}{2} + \beta \right)$	$y_6 + r_3 \cos \left(\frac{\alpha_3}{2} + \beta \right)$
11	$z_{10} + (r_3 - r_2) \sin \left(\frac{\alpha_3}{2} - \beta \right)$	$y_{10} + (r_3 - r_2) \cos \left(\frac{\alpha_3}{2} - \beta \right)$
12	z_1	r_1

However, in the current implementation the term “groove” is more narrow. From now on, the term should represent only the shape machined into the roll surface. Therefore, the roll gap s is no measure of the groove itself but of the *RollPass*. Also, the tip width b_{kn} is not inherent to the groove, since it depends on the roll gap.

5.2 Box-like Grooves

5.2.1 The BoxGroove class

The `BoxGroove` class represents a rectangular shaped groove as shown in the figure. For wear reasons, the flanks are typically inclined by a small angle.

Mandatory measures of the box groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 , as well as the depth d . To constrain geometry fully, any two of the following must be given:

- usable width b_{kn}
- ground width b_d
- flank angle α_1

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
BoxGroove(r1, r2, depth, usable_width, ground_width, flank_angle)
```

The radii are typically small, the depth is d typically $\leq \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero.

b_d was chosen in favor of the even ground width b'_d , because it does not change when the radii are modified. So the overall geometry remains the same if one modifies only the radii.

5.2.2 The ConstrictedBoxGroove class

The ConstrictedBoxGroove class represents a BoxGroove but with an indent in the ground as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of the box groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 , as well as the depth d and the indent i . To constrain geometry fully, any two of the following must be given:

- usable width b_{kn}
- ground width b_d
- flank angle α_1

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
ConstrictedBoxGroove(r1, r2, depth, indent, usable_width, ground_width, flank_angle)
```

The radii are typically small, the depth is d typically $\leq \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero.

5.3 Diamond-like grooves

5.3.1 The DiamondGroove class

The DiamondGroove class represents a rhombus shaped groove as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 . To constrain geometry fully, any two of the following must be given:

- usable width b_{kn}
- tip depth d_t
- tip angle δ

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
DiamondGroove(r1, r2, usable_width, tip_depth, tip_angle)
```

The radii are typically small, the depth is d_t typically $< \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$ so that the tip angle δ is larger than 90° .

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero, as well as b_d and b'_d .

The tip depth d_t was chosen in favor of the real depth d , because it does not change, when the radii are modified. So the overall geometry remains the same if one modifies only the radii. The tip depth can be considered as the diagonal of the rhombus with sharp corners.

5.3.2 The SquareGroove class

The SquareGroove class represents a square shaped groove as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 . To constrain geometry fully, any two of the following must be given:

- usable width b_{kn}
- tip depth d_t
- tip angle δ

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
SquareGroove(r1, r2, usable_width, tip_depth, tip_angle)
```

The radii are typically small, the depth is d_t typically $\approx \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$. The tip angle δ is typically a one or two degree larger than 90° for wear reasons.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero, as well as b_d and b'_d .

The tip depth d_t was chosen in favor of the real depth d , because it does not change, when the radii are modified. So the overall geometry remains the same if one modifies only the radii. The tip depth can be considered as the diagonal of the square with sharp corners.

The constructor will raise a warning, if the tip angle significantly deviates from 90° , consider to use a [DiamondGroove](#) instead.

5.4 Round-like Grooves

5.4.1 The RoundGroove class

The RoundGroove class represents a groove with a circular cross-section as shown in the figure.

It is defined by two radii r_1 and r_2 and the depth d , so the constructor has the following signature:

```
RoundGroove(r1, r2, depth)
```

The geometric constraints are $r_1 \ll r_2$ and $d < r_2$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero, as well as b_d and b'_d .

The angles can be calculated as following:

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \arccos\left(1 - \frac{d}{r_1 + r_2}\right)$$

The usable width is then:

$$b_{kn} = 2 \left(r_1 \sin \alpha_1 + r_2 \sin \alpha_2 - r_1 \tan \frac{\alpha_1}{2} \right)$$

5.4.2 The FalseRoundGroove class

The FalseRoundGroove class represents a groove with a roughly circular cross-section, which shows a small straight flank, as shown in the figure.

It is defined by two radii r_1 and r_2 , the depth d and the flank angle α_1 , so the constructor has the following signature:

```
FalseRoundGroove(r1, r2, depth, flank_angle)
```

The geometric constraints are $r_1 \ll r_2$, $d < r_2$ and $\alpha_1 < 90^\circ$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero, as well as b_d and b'_d .

The usable width can be calculated as:

$$b_{kn} = 2 \frac{d + \frac{r_2}{\cos \alpha_1} - r_2}{\tan \alpha_1}$$

5.5 Oval-like Grooves

5.5.1 The CircularOvalGroove class

The CircularOvalGroove class represents an oval shaped groove consisting of two radii as shown in the figure.

It is defined by two radii r_1 and r_2 and the depth d , so the constructor has the following signature:

```
CircularOvalGroove(r1, r2, depth)
```

The geometric constraints are $r_1 \ll r_2$ and $d \ll r_2$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero, as well as b_d and b'_d .

The topology of this groove is similar to the [RoundGroove](#), with the main difference, that the center of r_2 is not placed in the center of the groove. For this reason d is typically much smaller than ' r_2 '.

5.5.2 The FlatOvalGroove class

The FlatOvalGroove class represents an oval shaped groove consisting of two radii and an even ground as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 , as well as the depth d and the usable width b_{kn} .

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
FlatOvalGroove(r1, r2, depth, usable_width)
```

The depth is d typically $\leq \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero.

5.5.3 The SwedishOvalGroove class

The SwedishOvalGroove class represents a hexagonal shaped groove as shown in the figure. The term “hexagonal” is also used for this type of groove, but can be confused with regular hexagon shaped grooves. The current type of groove is used as an oval and therefore the term swedish oval should be used, which is derived from its origin in swedish steel plants.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 , as well as the depth d . To constrain geometry fully, any two of the following must be given:

- usable width b_{kn}
- ground width b_d
- flank angle α_1

So the constructor has the following signature:

`SwedishOvalGroove(r1, r2, depth, usable_width, ground_width, flank_angle)`

The radii are typically small, the depth is d typically $\ll \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero.

b_d was chosen in favor of the even ground width b'_d , because it does not change when the radii are modified. So the overall geometry remains the same if one modifies only the radii.

The topology of this groove is similar to the BoxGroove, but typically the flank angles are smaller and the groove is less deep.

5.5.4 The ConstrictedSwedishOvalGroove class

The ConstrictedSwedishOvalGroove class represents a SwedishOvalGroove but with an indent in the ground as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the two radii r_1 and r_2 , as well as the depth d and the indent ‘ i ’. To constrain geometry fully, any two of the following must be given:

- usable width b_{kn}
- ground width b_d
- flank angle α_1

So the constructor has the following signature:

`ConstrictedSwedishOvalGroove(r1, r2, depth, indent, usable_width, ground_width, flank_↵angle)`

The radii are typically small, the depth is d typically $\ll \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_3 and r_4 are considered to be zero.

5.5.5 The Oval3RadiiGroove class

The Oval3RadiiGroove class represents an oval shaped groove consisting of three radii as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the three radii r_1 , r_2 and r_3 , as well as the depth d and the usable width b_{kn} .

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
Oval3RadiiGroove(r1, r2, r3, depth, usable_width)
```

The depth is d typically $\leq \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_4 and b'_d are considered to be zero.

5.5.6 The Oval3RadiiFlankedGroove class

The Oval3RadiiFlankedGroove class represents an oval shaped groove consisting of three radii and a small straight flank as shown in the figure.

Mandatory measures of this groove are the three radii r_1 , r_2 and r_3 , as well as the depth d , the usable width b_{kn} and the flank angle α_1 .

So the constructor has the following signature:

```
Oval3RadiiFlankedGroove(r1, r2, r3, depth, usable_width, flank_angle)
```

The depth is d typically $\leq \frac{b_{kn}}{2}$.

r_4 and b'_d are considered to be zero.

5.6 Reference of Groove Classes

```
class BoxGroove(r1: float, r2: float, depth: float, ground_width: Optional[float] = None, usable_width:
                Optional[float] = None, flank_angle: Optional[float] = None)
```

Represents a box shaped groove.

Exactly two of ground_width, usable_width and flank_angle must be given.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **ground_width** (*float*) – width of the groove from intersection between two flanks and ground width
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii
- **flank_angle** (*float*) – angle of the flanks

Raises

ValueError – if not exactly two of ground_width, usable_width and flank_angle are given

property types: 'box'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class CircularOvalGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, depth: float*)

Represents an oval shaped groove with one main radius.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove

property types: 'oval', 'circular_oval'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class ConstrictedBoxGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, r4: float, depth: float, indent: float, ground_width: Optional[float] = None, usable_width: Optional[float] = None, flank_angle: Optional[float] = None*)

Represents a box shaped groove with an indented ground.

Exactly two of `ground_width`, `usable_width` and `flank_angle` must be given.

Parameters

r1 – radius of the first edge :type r1: float :param r2: radius of the second edge :type r2: float :param depth: depth of the groove :type depth: float :param indent: indentation of the depth of the groove towards the grooves center :type indent: float :param ground_width: width of the groove from intersection between two flanks and ground width :type ground_width: float :param usable_width: ground width excluding influence of radii :type usable_width: float :param flank_angle: angle of the flanks :type flank_angle: float :raises ValueError: if not exactly two of `ground_width`, `usable_width` and `flank_angle` are given

property types: 'box', 'constricted_box'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class ConstrictedSwedishOvalGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, r4: float, depth: float, indent: float, ground_width: Optional[float] = None, usable_width: Optional[float] = None, flank_angle: Optional[float] = None*)

Represents a hexagonal shaped groove with an indented ground that is used like an oval groove (swedish oval).

Exactly two of `ground_width`, `usable_width` and `flank_angle` must be given.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **indent** (*float*) – indentation of the depth of the groove towards the grooves center
- **ground_width** (*float*) – width of the groove from intersection between two flanks and ground width
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii
- **flank_angle** (*float*) – angle of the flanks

Raises

ValueError – if not exactly two of `ground_width`, `usable_width` and `flank_angle` are given

property types: 'oval', 'swedish_oval', 'constricted_swedish_oval'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

```
class DiamondGroove(r1: float, r2: float, usable_width: Optional[float] = None, tip_depth: Optional[float] = None, tip_angle: Optional[float] = None)
```

Represent a diamond shaped groove.

Exactly two of usable_width, tip_depth and tip_angle must be given.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii
- **tip_depth** (*float*) – depth of the tip of the groove
- **tip_angle** (*float*) – angle at which the tip is formed

Raises

ValueError – if not exactly two of usable_width, tip_depth and tip_angle are given

property types: 'diamond'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

```
class FalseRoundGroove(r1: float, r2: float, depth: float, flank_angle: float)
```

Represents a round shaped groove with a dedicated flank (false round).

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **flank_angle** (*float*) – angle of the flanks

property types: 'round', 'false_round'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

```
class FlatGroove(width: float)
```

Represents a box shaped groove.

Parameters

width (*float*) – width of the forming zone

property types: 'flat'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

```
class FlatOvalGroove(r1: float, r2: float, depth: float, usable_width: float)
```

Represent an oval shaped groove with a flat ground.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii

property types: 'oval', 'flat_oval'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

```
class GenericElongationGroove(usable_width: float = 0, depth: float = 0, r1: float = 0, r2: float = 0, r3: float  
                             = 0, r4: float = 0, even_ground_width: float = 0, indent: float = 0, alpha1:  
                             float = 0, alpha2: float = 0, alpha3: float = 0, alpha4: float = 0, types:  
                             Tuple[str, ...] = ())
```

Represents a groove defined by the generic elongation groove geometry.

property contour_line: LineString

A line representing the geometry of the groove contour.

property cross_section: Polygon

A polygon representing the cross-section of this groove limited by the contour line and y=0.

property depth: float

The maximum depth of the groove.

local_depth(z) → Union[float, ndarray]

Function of the local groove depth in dependence on the z-coordinate.

property types: Tuple[str, ...]

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

property usable_width: float

The usable width of the groove, meaning the width of ideal filling.

class GrooveBase

Abstract base class for all grooves.

abstract property contour_line: LineString

A line representing the geometry of the groove contour.

abstract property cross_section: Polygon

A polygon representing the cross-section of this groove limited by the contour line and y=0.

abstract property depth: float

The maximum depth of the groove.

abstract local_depth(z: Union[float, ndarray]) → Union[float, ndarray]

Function of the local groove depth in dependence on the z-coordinate.

abstract property types: Tuple[str, ...]

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

abstract property usable_width: float

The usable width of the groove, meaning the width of ideal filling.

```
class Oval3RadiiFlankedGroove(r1: float, r2: float, r3: float, depth: float, usable_width: float, flank_angle:  
                             float)
```

Represents an oval shaped groove with 3 main radii and a dedicated flank.

Exactly two of ground_width, usable_width and flank_angle must be given.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge

- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii
- **flank_angle** (*float*) – angle of the flanks

Raises

ValueError – if not exactly two of `ground_width`, `usable_width` and `flank_angle` are given

property types: `'oval', 'oval_3_radii', 'oval_3_radii_flanked'`

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class Oval3RadiiGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, r3: float, depth: float, usable_width: float*)

Represents an oval shaped groove with 3 main radii.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **r2** – radius of the third edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii

property types: `'oval', 'oval_3_radii'`

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class RoundGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, depth: float*)

Represents a round shaped groove.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove

property types: `'round'`

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class SplineGroove(*contour_points: Union[Iterable[Tuple[float, float]], ndarray], types: Iterable[str], usable_width: Optional[float] = None*)

Represents a groove defined by a linear spline contour.

Parameters

- **contour_points** – an iterable of contour points to be used for the spline
- **types** – an iterable of string keys used as type classifiers
- **usable_width** – the usable width to assume for this instance, if `None`, the maximum width will be used

property contour_line: `LineString`

A line representing the geometry of the groove contour.

property cross_section: `Polygon`

A polygon representing the cross-section of this groove limited by the contour line and `y=0`.

property depth: float

The maximum depth of the groove.

local_depth(*z*) → Union[float, ndarray]

Function of the local groove depth in dependence on the z-coordinate.

property types: Tuple[str, ...]

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

property usable_width: float

The usable width of the groove, meaning the width of ideal filling.

class SquareGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, usable_width: Optional[float] = None, tip_depth: Optional[float] = None, tip_angle: Optional[float] = None*)

Represents a square shaped groove (diamond with tip angle near 90°).

Exactly two of usable_width, tip_depth and tip_angle must be given.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii
- **tip_depth** (*float*) – depth of the tip of the groove
- **tip_angle** (*float*) – angle at which the tip is formed

Raises

- **ValueError** – if not exactly two of usable_width, tip_depth and tip_angle are given
- **ValueError** – if tip angle is <85° or >95° (no matter if given or calculated internally)

property types: 'diamond', 'square'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

class SwedishOvalGroove(*r1: float, r2: float, depth: float, ground_width: Optional[float] = None, usable_width: Optional[float] = None, flank_angle: Optional[float] = None*)

Represents a hexagonal shaped groove that is used like an oval groove (swedish oval).

Exactly two of ground_width, usable_width and flank_angle must be given.

Parameters

- **r1** (*float*) – radius of the first edge
- **r2** (*float*) – radius of the second edge
- **depth** (*float*) – depth of the groove
- **ground_width** (*float*) – width of the groove from intersection between two flanks and ground width
- **usable_width** (*float*) – ground width excluding influence of radii
- **flank_angle** (*float*) – angle of the flanks

Raises

- **ValueError** – if not exactly two of ground_width, usable_width and flank_angle are given

property types: 'oval', 'swedish_oval'

A tuple of keywords to specify the types of this groove.

THE CONCEPT OF PROFILES

Think of a *Profile* object as of a state of the workpiece anywhere in the pass sequence. Every sequence unit has an incoming and an outgoing profile. Also, you must provide a profile as definition for the initial workpiece being processed in the pass sequence.

Profiles Each profile has a certain shape, defined by the `upper_contour_line` and `lower_contour_line` and its main dimensions `height` and `width`.

For creating an initial profile, several class methods exist in the *Profile* class. One can either derive the profile shape from an existing groove object by use of the *Profile.from_groove()* method, or created some standard shapes use of the other class methods of *Profile*, like *Profile.round()*. More values can be given as keyword arguments and are saved automatically as attributes in the instance. Which you may or must provide depends on the loaded plugins.

class Profile(kwargs)**

Parameters

hook_args – keyword arguments to pass to hook calls

classmethod box(*height: float, width: float, corner_radius: float = 0, **kwargs*) → *Profile*

Creates a box shaped profile (a real rectangular shape with rounded corners, without imperfections of box grooves). A box is oriented to stand on its side, use *square()* to create a corner standing square.

Parameters

- **height** – the height of the box profile, must be > 0
- **width** – the width of the box profile, must be > 0
- **corner_radius** – the radius of the square's corners, must be >= 0, <= height / 2 and <= width / 2
- **kwargs** – additional keyword arguments to be passed to the Profile constructor

Raises

ValueError – if arguments are out of range

classmethod diamond(*height: float, width: float, corner_radius: float = 0, **kwargs*) → *Profile*

Creates a diamond shaped profile (a real diamond shape with rounded corners, without imperfections of diamond grooves). A diamond is oriented to stand on its corner.

Parameters

- **height** – the height of the diamond profile, must be > 0
- **width** – the width of the diamond profile, must be > 0
- **corner_radius** – the radius of the diamonds's corners, must be >= 0, <= height / 2 and <= width / 2
- **kwargs** – additional keyword arguments to be passed to the Profile constructor

Raises

ValueError – if arguments are out of range

classmethod **from_groove**(*groove: GrooveBase*, *width: Optional[float] = None*, *filling: Optional[float] = None*, *height: Optional[float] = None*, *gap: Optional[float] = None*, ***kwargs*) → *Profile*

Create a profile instance based on a given groove. The dimensioning of the profile is determined by the parameters **width**, **filling**, **height** and **gap**. Give exactly one of **width** and **filling**. Give exactly one of **height** and **gap**.

Parameters

- **groove** – the groove the profile should be created from
- **width** – the width of the resulting profile, must be > 0
- **filling** – the filling ratio of the groove, must be > 0
- **height** – the height of the profile, must be > 0
- **gap** – the gap between the groove contours (roll gap), must be >= 0
- **kwargs** – additional keyword arguments to be passed to the Profile constructor

Raises

- **TypeError** – on invalid argument combinations
- **ValueError** – if arguments are out of range

hook_result_attributes: **Set[str]**

Set remembering all hooks that were called on this class, used by `delete_hook_result_attributes()`.

classmethod **round**(*radius: Optional[float] = None*, *diameter: Optional[float] = None*, ***kwargs*) → *Profile*

Creates a round shaped profile (a real circle round, without imperfections of round grooves). Give exactly one of **radius** and **diameter**.

Parameters

- **radius** – the radius of the round profile, must be > 0
- **diameter** – the diameter of the round profile, must be > 0
- **kwargs** – additional keyword arguments to be passed to the Profile constructor

Raises

- **TypeError** – on invalid argument combinations
- **ValueError** – if arguments are out of range

classmethod **square**(*side: Optional[float] = None*, *diagonal: Optional[float] = None*, *corner_radius: float = 0*, ***kwargs*) → *Profile*

Creates a square shaped profile (a real square with rounded corners, without imperfections of square grooves). A square is oriented to stand on its corner, use `box()` to create a side standing one. Give exactly one of **side** and **diagonal**.

Parameters

- **side** – the side length of the square profile, must be > 0
- **diagonal** – the diagonal's length of the square profile, must be > 0. Note, that the diagonal is measured at the tips, as if the corner radii were not present for consistency with `box()`.

- **corner_radius** – the radius of the square’s corners, must be ≥ 0 and $\leq \text{side} / 2$
- **kwargs** – additional keyword arguments to be passed to the Profile constructor

Raises

- **TypeError** – on invalid argument combinations
- **ValueError** – if arguments are out of range

6.1 Hooks

To read about the basics of hooks and plugins, see [here](#).

The following hooks are defined on plain profiles per default:

cross_section(*profile*: Profile) → Polygon

Cross-section polygon of the profile.

equivalent_rectangle(*profile*: Profile) → Polygon

Get the dimensions of the equivalent rectangle of the profile.

flow_stress(*profile*: Profile) → str

Flow stress of workpiece material.

height(*profile*: Profile) → float

Height of the profile.

lower_contour_line(*profile*: Profile) → LineString

Lower bounding contour line of the profile.

material(*profile*: Profile) → Union[str, Iterable[str]]

Material identifier string for use in several other hooks to get material properties.

strain(*profile*: Profile) → float

Equivalent strain of the profile.

temperature(*profile*: Profile) → float

Temperature of the profile.

types(*profile*: Profile) → float

A tuple of keywords to specify the shape types of the profile.

upper_contour_line(*profile*: Profile) → LineString

Upper bounding contour line of the profile.

width(*profile*: Profile) → float

Width of the profile.

6.2 Derived classes

For the units types *RollPass* and *Transport*, specialized versions of the `Profile` class are defined as nested classes within the respective unit class. They all maintain their own hooks, so it is possible to specify hooks on profiles only for those places, where they are applicable.

All hooks on those classes receive additionally to the profile instance also the instance of the roll pass or transport they are belonging to.

PASS SEQUENCE UNITS IN PYROLL

This part of the documentation is currently work in progress.

Think of a rolling process as of a sequence of roll passes and intermediate times, called transports. Both are subsumed under the term *unit*. The `Unit` class is the base class representing this concept. A unit can most abstractly be considered as a black box transforming the state of a profile, thus taking an incoming profile instance, simulation its evolution within the unit and yielding an outgoing profile instance.

It defines three attributes:

Attribute	Description
<code>label</code>	A label string for human identification, used in log messages and output.
<code>in_profile</code>	The profile that represents the incoming workpiece state of the unit.
<code>out_profile</code>	The profile that represents the outgoing workpiece state of the unit.

Currently, two derived classes exist in the core library: *RollPass* and *Transport*.

The unit class defines an abstract method `solve(in_profile: Profile)`, which triggers the solution procedure and accepts a profile object that has to be treated as the incoming profile. This object is copied and modified and made available in the `in_profile` attribute by the implementations of this method.

Also, the `Unit` class maintains hooks that should be applicable to all types of units.

To read about the basics of hooks and plugins, see [here](#).

7.1 Roll Passes

The roll pass is the most important unit, since forming of the workpiece is happening here. It is represented by the `RollPass` class. The `RollPass` constructor takes a `Roll` object, which is defining the properties of the working rolls including the groove.

7.1.1 Rolls

Roll objects represent a working roll implemented in a rolling stand. The main properties are about the geometry and rotational movement of the roll. Rolls define the basic hooks specified below. With appropriate plugins, elastic deformation of the rolls during the process can be modelled.

7.1.2 Hooks

To read about the basics of hooks and plugins, see [here](#).

On roll passes, several basic hooks are specified and implemented. You can provide your own implementations of them and also specify new ones.

The figure below shows an overview over the respective classes and their hook function signature.

The following are defined by default.

RollPass

gap(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Gap between the rolls.

height(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Maximum height of the pass contour.

in_profile_rotation(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Rotation of the in profile for the specified roll pass.

mean_flow_stress(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Mean flow stress of the material for the respected roll pass.

roll(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Object representing the working rolls of the roll pass.

roll_force(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Roll force of the pass.

spread(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Spread in the pass as ratio $b1/b0$.

strain_change(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Applied strain in the pass.

strain_rate(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Mean strain rate in the pass.

tip_width(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Tip width of the pass contour.

velocity(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Mean rolling velocity.

volume(*roll_pass: RollPass*) → float

Volume of the workpiece within the roll gap.

Roll

contour_line(roll: Roll) → LineString

Contour line of the roll's surface.

groove(roll: Roll) → *GrooveBase*

Object representing the groove shape carved into the roll.

max_radius(roll: Roll) → float

Maximal (outer) radius of the roll.

min_radius(roll: Roll) → float

Minimal (inner) radius of the roll.

nominal_radius(roll: Roll) → float

Nominal radius of the roll (equal to the grooves y=0 axis).

rotational_frequency(roll: Roll) → float

The rotational frequency of the roll.

working_radius(roll: Roll) → float

Working radius of the roll (some kind of equivalent radius to flat rolling).

RollPass.Roll

contact_area(roll_pass: RollPass, roll: Roll) → float

Area of contact between workpiece and one roll.

contact_length(roll_pass: RollPass, roll: Roll) → float

Contact length in rolling direction between rolls and workpiece.

roll_torque(roll_pass: RollPass, roll: Roll) → float

Roll torque of the pass.

RollPass.Profile

flow_stress(roll_pass: RollPass, profile: Profile) → float

Flow stress of workpiece material.

RollPass.OutProfile

filling_ratio(roll_pass: RollPass, profile: OutProfile) → float

Filling ratio of profile width to usable groove width.

strain(roll_pass: RollPass, profile: OutProfile) → float

Strain of the out profile.

width(roll_pass: RollPass, profile: OutProfile) → float

Width of the out profile.

Below you will find detailed descriptions of selected hooks as example of using them.

`in_profile_rotation`

The angle in degree by which the incoming profile is rotated at feeding into the roll pass. Currently only integers are valid values. Per default common rotations are implemented for the available groove types. Typically you will use the `applies_to_in_grooves` and `applies_to_out_grooves` decorators from `pyroll.utils` to provide new implementations. The code block below shows an example implementation of this hook, the explicit `specname` is used to avoid naming conflicts when providing more than one implementation in one file.

```
@RollPass.hookimpl(specname="in_profile_rotation")
@applies_to_in_grooves("diamond")
@applies_to_out_grooves("diamond")
def diamonds(roll_pass):
    return 90
```

7.2 Transports

7.2.1 Hooks

To read about the basics of hooks and plugins, see [here](#).

On transports, several basic hooks are specified and implemented. You can provide your own implementations of them and also specify new ones.

The figure below shows an overview over the respective classes and their hook function signature.

The following hooks are defined by default.

Transport

duration(*transport: Transport*) → float

Duration of the transport.

Transport.OutProfile

strain(*transport: Transport, profile: OutProfile*) → float

The equivalent strain of the outgoing profile of the transport unit.

HTML REPORT GENERATION

PyRoLL includes a class capable of generating an HTML page presenting the simulation results, which can be archived and printed. The report can be generated by use of the CLI through the `report` command.

The report includes per default key properties of all units, plots of incoming and outgoing profiles in each roll pass, as well as some plots of key values along the whole sequence. The contents of the report can be modified using hooks.

The report includes tables listing properties of units or the whole sequence. One can customize the properties shown there by providing hook implementations. For the table listing unit properties use the `unit_properties()` hook. For the table listing properties of the whole sequence, use the `sequence_properties()` hook. The hook implementations must return in both cases a mapping from string keys to values. The keys are printed in the first column of the table. The values may be of any type, but they should have meaningful `__str__` methods to lead to feasible results.

The report includes several plots. Plots visualizing the whole sequence of units or parts of it can be added by providing an implementation of the `sequence_plot()` hook. Plots visualizing a single unit can be added by providing an implementation of the `unit_plot()` hook. The hook implementations must return in both cases an instance of matplotlib's Figure class.

8.1 Class Documentation

class Reporter

Class able to generate an HTML report sheet out of simulation results.

render(units: List[Unit]) → str

Render an HTML report from the specified units list.

Parameters

units – list of units to take the data from

Returns

generated HTML code as string

8.2 Hooks

sequence_plot(units: List[Unit]) → Figure

Generate a matplotlib figure visualizing the whole pass sequence, f.e. plot the distribution of roll forces. All loaded hook implementations are listed in the report.

sequence_properties(units: List[Unit]) → Mapping[str, Any]

Extract some data from the unit sequence to be listed in the report. Return a mapping of label names to values. All hookimpls will be joined in order of definition.

unit_plot(*unit: Unit*) → Figure

Generate a matplotlib figure visualizing a unit. All loaded hook implementations are listed in the report.

unit_properties(*unit: Unit*) → Mapping[str, Any]

Extract some data from a unit to be listed in the report. Return a mapping of label names to values. All hookimpls will be joined in order of definition.

DATA EXPORT

PyRoLL includes a class capable of converting the simulation results to a `pandas DataFrame` and save this to different file formats. The feature can be accessed by use of the CLI through the `export` command.

The data included in the frame can be modified by hooks. The available file formats can be extended by the use of hooks.

To read about the basics of hooks and plugins, see [here](#).

9.1 Specifying data to include

There is a hook `columns(unit : Unit)` that can be used to specify the columns included in the data frame. One can use the `pyroll.utils.hookutils.applies_to_unit_types(types)` decorator to specify the unit types the hook implementation should apply to (currently only `Unit`, `RollPass`, `Transport`).

Each implementation must return a mapping of column names (string) to values (any type that can be data in a `DataFrame`). The list of hook results will be combined to the final set of columns. Later registered implementations will override earlier ones.

Define new implementations of this hook to include more data in the export. Commonly you would return a dict mapping from `str` to a numeric type or string.

9.2 Adding new file formats

For exporting to a file a hook is defined to handle the formatting:

```
export(data: pandas.DataFrame, export_format: str)
```

It takes the generated `DataFrame` and a string specifying the format as arguments. Depending on the value of `export_format` an implementation can decide whether it is able to handle the format or not. If it can, it should return the binary data that will be saved to file. If it can not, it should return `None`. The first implementation not returning `None` will be used for the file content (`firstresult`).

Current basic implementations support CSV and XML formats by use of the methods provided by `DataFrame`.

9.3 Class Documentation

class `Exporter`

Class able to export simulation results to several data formats.

export(*units*: *List[Unit]*, *export_format*: *str*) → bytes

Call `get_dataframe` and export its results to a specified format.

Parameters

- **units** – list of units to take the data from
- **export_format** – a string key identifying the export format, valid values depend on the loaded implementations of the ‘export’ hook

Returns

the exported data as binary stream

get_dataframe(*units*: *List[Unit]*) → DataFrame

Generate a pandas DataFrame by use of the `unit_columns`, `roll_pass_columns` and `transport_columns` hooks.

Parameters

units – list of units to take the data from

Returns

a pandas data frame filled with the exported data

9.4 Hooks

columns(*unit*) → Mapping[str, Any]

Take a unit object and extract some data to be listed in the CSV output. Return a mapping of column names to values. All hookimpls will be joined in order of definition.

export(*data*: *DataFrame*, *export_format*: *str*) → bytes

Export the data to a specified format. Return binary data that can be saved to a file. First hookimpl that does not return None is taken. Return None to signal, that the impl does not support the `export_format`

THE PLUGIN SYSTEM

PyRoLL is mainly built on the plugin system `pluggy`, which is also used in well known projects like `pytest` and `pytask`. Many core functionalities are also implemented as plugins. The PyRoLL Core project only implements a minimal set of model approaches, look into the various official and unofficial plugins available for more.

Unlike the other mentioned projects, PyRoLL has not only one plugin system, but several. Many main classes of PyRoLL hold class attributes used to maintain plugins on that class, these are in detail:

Attribute	Description
<code>plugin_manager</code>	A <code>pluggy.PluginManager</code> instance used to maintain the plugins on this class.
<code>hookspec</code>	A wrapper around a <code>pluggy.HookspecMarker</code> instance for defining new hook specifications. Supports only a subset of the original arguments.
<code>hookimpl</code>	A wrapper around a <code>pluggy.HookimplMarker</code> instance for defining new hook implementations.

This is implemented using the `pyroll.plugin_host.PluginHost` class and the `pyroll.plugin_host.PluginHostMeta` metaclass.

class PluginHostMeta(name, bases, dct)

Metaclass that provides plugin functionality to a class.

Not for direct uses but through `PluginHost` base class.

hookimpl: `HookimplMarker`

A wrapper around a `pluggy.HookimplMarker` instance for defining new hook implementations.

hookspec: `HookspecMarker`

A wrapper around a `pluggy.HookspecMarker` instance for defining new hook specifications. Supports only a subset of the original arguments.

plugin_manager: `PluginManager`

A `pluggy.PluginManager` instance used to maintain the plugins on this class.

root_hooks: `Set[str]`

Set of hooks to call in every solution iteration.

class PluginHost(hook_args: Dict[str, Any])

A base class providing plugin functionality using the `PluginHostMeta` metaclass.

The `get_from_hook()` method is also callable through the attribute syntax (`.` notation), where the key equals the attributes name.

Parameters

hook_args – keyword arguments to pass to hook calls

__getattr__(*key: str*)

Call a hook through attribute syntax if there is no explicit attribute with that name by use of [get_from_hook\(\)](#).

delete_hook_result_attributes()

Deletes the attributes created by [get_from_hook\(\)](#) calls, except those present in `root_hooks`.

get_from_hook(*key: str*)

Explicitly tries to get a value from a hook specified on this class. Returns and caches the result of the hook call as attribute. Use [clear_hook_results\(\)](#) to clear the cache. Hook calls done by this function are not cleared, only those by attribute syntax.

If the plugin manager does not know a hook of name *key*, the function dispatches to eventual base classes.

Parameters

key (*str*) – the hook name to call

Raises

- **AttributeError** – if the hook call resulted in None
- **AttributeError** – if the hook name is not known to this class, nor to base classes
- **ValueError** – if the hook call resulted in an infinite value

get_root_hook_results()

Call necessary root hooks of this instance and return an array of their results.

hook_args

Keyword arguments to pass to hook calls.

hook_result_attributes: `Set[str]`

Set remembering all hooks that were called on this class, used by [delete_hook_result_attributes\(\)](#).

The `hookspec` markers of all classes derived from [Unit](#) ([RollPass](#) and [Transport](#)) and [Profile](#) are preconfigured as `firstresult`. That means, that the first hook implementation, that returns not `None` is used as only result of the hook call. This offers the possibility of implementing many specialized versions of a hook and fall back to general ones if no special one applies.

Almost every attribute on the mentioned classes can be represented by a hook. This is achieved by overriding `__getattr__`, so that if no attribute with a desired name is present on an object, the framework searches for a hook of equal name. If there is no such hook, or the hook call results in `None`, an error is raised. Therefore, it is easy to specify new hooks, just use the `hookspec` marker on a dummy function and add it to the `plugin_manager` by use of `plugin_manager.add_hookspecs()`. It is common in writing plugins for PyRoLL to specify hooks for all intermediate and result values on profiles and units you want to calculate, and then to provide at least one general implementation of them. Afterwards you can proceed providing more specialized implementations in the same plugin package, or maybe also in another one if you need more flexibility in loading different implementations.

The classes [Reporter](#) and [Exporter](#) are also maintaining a plugin system, to allow plugins to contribute their own results to the output. But those hooks are not `firstresult` per default and specifying new hooks is not as easy as with units and profiles.

Details affecting only the distinct classes are described in their documentation.

For examples on specifying and implementing hooks, please read the [pluggy documentation](#) and look into the source code of PyRoLL.

INSTALLATION

The PyRoLL Core package is installable via [PyPI](#)

```
pip install pyroll
```

A collection of plugin packages can be installed the same way, the packages names usually start with `pyroll-`. Use the [PyPI search](#) or look at the projects [GitHub page](#) for discovering plugins.

BASIC USAGE

The package provides a simple CLI tool that can be used to load input data, run the solution procedure and export the solution data. The CLI provides several commands that can and must be chained in one call. No state is preserved between different program runs.

The simplest use case is to read from a python script, solve and render the results to an HTML report page. The default input file is `input.py`, the default report file `report.html`.

```
pyroll input-py solve report
```

One may specify the files explicitly with the `-f/--file` option:

```
pyroll input-py -f other_input.py solve report -f other_report.html
```

A most basic input file may look like:

```
from pyroll.core import Profile, RollPass, Transport, Roll, DiamondGroove, SquareGroove

in_profile = Profile.square(
    side=45e-3, corner_radius=3e-3,
    temperature=1200 + 273.15, flow_stress=100e6, strain=0,
)

sequence = [
    RollPass(
        label="Diamond I", velocity=1, gap=3e-3,
        roll=Roll(
            groove=DiamondGroove(
                usable_width=76.5e-3, tip_depth=22e-3, r1=12e-3, r2=8e-3
            ),
            nominal_radius=160e-3
        )
    ),
    Transport(duration=2),
    RollPass(
        label="Square II", velocity=1, gap=3e-3,
        roll=Roll(
            groove=SquareGroove(
                usable_width=52.7e-3, tip_depth=26e-3, r1=8e-3, r2=6e-3
            ),
            nominal_radius=160e-3
        )
    )
]
```

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```
    ),  
]
```

The file must define the variables `in_profile` and `sequence` defining the state of the initial workpiece and the sequence of roll passes and transport ranges. For a more advanced example, representing a pass sequence at the 3-high mill at the Institute of Metals Forming, run:

```
pyroll create-input-py -k trio -f input.py
```

The PyRoLL command line interface resides additionally on a YAML configuration file `config.yaml`. The default file can be created using the following command:

```
pyroll create-config
```

The core section of this file is the `plugins` section. Here one can specify a list of plugins that will be loaded in each simulation run. Another way of loading plugins is to directly import them in the input Python script.

It is recommended to create a fresh directory for each simulation project to avoid the need to specify the filenames explicitly. A basic input and config file can be created in the current directory using

```
pyroll new
```

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