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# **gpx***converterDocumentation*

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## 1.1 GPX manipulation for humans

Python package for manipulating gpx files and easily convert gpx to other different formats.

- Free software: MIT license
- Documentation: <https://gpx-converter.readthedocs.io>.

## 1.2 When & Why

- You need to convert GPX to other formats
- You need to convert other formats like csv to GPX
- You want to interpolate the GPX coordinates
- High level of abstraction

- Stable API
- easy to use and to extend

## 1.3 Motivation

I decided to create this project because I had gpx data that I needed to manipulate. I searched for a python package for this but I did not find what I was looking for, therefore I created the gpx-converter package to make gpx files manipulation very easy. Furthermore, the package contains methods for applying interpolation on the gpx data. This feature was very helpful for me since I also needed to interpolate the gpx data and convert it to csv. Feel free to contribute or to give me feedback anytime :)

## 1.4 Features

- Convert gpx files to other formats such as csv, numpy arrays, dataframes, excel and json
- Convert csv files to gpx
- Apply interpolation on the gpx data

## 1.5 Installation

```
$ pip install gpx-converter
```

## 1.6 Quick Usage

```
from gpx_converter import Converter
```

### Just read the gpx to dictionary

```
dic = Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_dictionary(latitude_key='latitude'
↳', longitude_key='longitude')
# now you have a dictionary and can access the longitudes and latitudes values from_
↳the keys
latitudes = dic['latitude']
longitudes = dic['longitude']
```

### Convert GPX to other formats

- Convert from gpx to csv:

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_csv(output_file='your_output.csv')
```

- Convert from gpx to excel sheets:

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_excel(output_file='your_output.xlsx')
```

- Convert from gpx to json:

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_json(output_file='your_output.json')
```

- Convert gpx file to dataframe:

```
df = Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_dataframe()
```

- Convert gpx file to numpy array:

```
np_array = Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_numpy_array()
```

## Now convert other formats to GPX

- csv to gpx

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.csv').csv_to_gpx(lats_colname='column_name_of_
↪latitudes',
                                                    longs_colname='column_name_of_
↪longitudes',
                                                    output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- excel to gpx

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.xlsx').excel_to_gpx(lats_colname='column_name_of_
↪latitudes',
                                                    longs_colname='column_name_of_
↪longitudes',
                                                    output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- dataframe to gpx (notice that the method is static)

```
Converter.dataframe_to_gpx(input_df=your_df,
                           lats_colname='column_name_of_latitudes',
                           longs_colname='column_name_of_longitudes',
                           output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- json to gpx

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.json').json_to_gpx(input_df=your_df,
                                                    lats_colname='column_name_of_
↪latitudes',
                                                    longs_colname='column_name_of_
↪longitudes',
                                                    output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- Automate the conversion of multiple csv file to gpx:

```
Converter.convert_multi_csv_to_gpx(dirpath='your_directory/')
```

- Apply spline interpolation on gpx file (you need to install scipy for this to work):

```
interpolated_coordinates = Converter.spline_interpolation(cv=your_array_of_control_
↪vertices)
```

## 1.7 Usage from terminal

Alternatively you can use the gpx\_converter directly from terminal. You just need to pass the function, input file and output file as arguments.

- function: the conversion method you want to use. For example “gpx\_to\_csv”
- input file: path to your input file
- output file: path to your output file

```
$ gpx_converter --function "gpx_to_csv" --input_file "home/your_input.gpx" --output_
↪file "home/your_output.csv"
```

or maybe you prefer the short version

```
$ gpx_converter -func "gpx_to_csv" -in "home/your_input.gpx" -out "home/your_output.
↪csv"
```

## 1.8 Links

Check this article to know more about gpx files and how to use the gpx-converter package. <https://medium.com/p/57da00bd36fc/edit>

## 1.9 Contributions

Contributions are always welcome. Make sure you check the guidelines first <https://gpx-converter.readthedocs.io/en/latest/contributing.html>



### 2.1 Stable release

To install `gpx_converter`, run this command in your terminal:

```
$ pip install gpx_converter
```

This is the preferred method to install `gpx_converter`, as it will always install the most recent stable release.

If you don't have `pip` installed, this [Python installation guide](#) can guide you through the process.

### 2.2 From sources

The sources for `gpx_converter` can be downloaded from the [Github repo](#).

You can either clone the public repository:

```
$ git clone git://github.com/nidhaloff/gpx_converter
```

Or download the [tarball](#):

```
$ curl -OJL https://github.com/nidhaloff/gpx_converter/tarball/master
```

Once you have a copy of the source, you can install it with:

```
$ python setup.py install
```



## CHAPTER 3

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### Usage

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```
from gpx_converter import Converter
```

#### Just read the gpx to dictionary

```
dic = Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_dictionary(latitude_key='latitude'
↳', longitude_key='longitude')
# now you have a dictionary and can access the longitudes and latitudes values from_
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```

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```
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```

- Convert from gpx to excel sheets:

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_excel(output_file='your_output.xlsx')
```

- Convert from gpx to json:

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_json(output_file='your_output.json')
```

- Convert gpx file to dataframe:

```
df = Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_dataframe()
```

- Convert gpx file to numpy array:

```
np_array = Converter(input_file='your_input.gpx').gpx_to_numpy_array()
```

#### Now convert other formats to GPX

- csv to gpx

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.csv').csv_to_gpx(lats_colname='column_name_of_
↳latitudes',
                                                    longs_colname='column_name_of_
↳longitudes',
                                                    output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- excel to gpx

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.xlsx').excel_to_gpx(lats_colname='column_name_of_
↳latitudes',
                                                    longs_colname='column_name_of_
↳longitudes',
                                                    output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- dataframe to gpx (notice that the method is static)

```
Converter.dataframe_to_gpx(input_df=your_df,
                           lats_colname='column_name_of_latitudes',
                           longs_colname='column_name_of_longitudes',
                           output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- json to gpx

```
Converter(input_file='your_input.json').json_to_gpx(input_df=your_df,
                                                    lats_colname='column_name_of_
↳latitudes',
                                                    longs_colname='column_name_of_
↳longitudes',
                                                    output_file='your_output.gpx')
```

- Automate the conversion of multiple csv file to gpx:

```
Converter.convert_multi_csv_to_gpx(dirpath='your_directory/')
```

- Apply spline interpolation on gpx file (you need to install scipy for this to work):

```
interpolated_coordinates = Converter.spline_interpolation(cv=your_array_of_control_
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```

## 3.1 Usage from terminal

Alternatively you can use the gpx\_converter directly from terminal. You just need to pass the function, input file and output file as arguments.

- function: the conversion method you want to use. For example “gpx\_to\_csv”
- input file: path to your input file
- output file: path to your output file

```
$ gpx_converter --function "gpx_to_csv" --input_file "home/your_input.gpx" --output_
↳file "home/your_output.csv"
```

or maybe you prefer the short version

```
$ gpx_converter -func "gpx_to_csv" -in "home/your_input.gpx" -out "home/your_output.  
↪ csv"
```



## 4.1 gpx\_converter package

### 4.1.1 Submodules

### 4.1.2 gpx\_converter.base module

Top-level package for gpx\_converter.

**class** gpx\_converter.base.**Converter** (*input\_file=None*)

Bases: object

main class converter that holds all conversion methods

**static** **convert\_multi\_csv\_to\_gpx** (*dirpath*, *lats\_colname='latitude'*,  
*longs\_colname='longitude'*, *times\_colname=None*,  
*alts\_colname=None*)

convert multiple csv file from directory to gpx *dirpath*: directory path where the csv files are *lats\_colname*: name of the latitudes columns *longs\_colname*: name of the longitudes columns *times\_colname*: name of the time columns *alts\_colname*: name of the altitudes columns

**csv\_to\_gpx** (*lats\_colname='latitude'*, *longs\_colname='longitude'*, *times\_colname=None*,  
*alts\_colname=None*, *output\_file=None*)

convert csv file to gpx *lats\_colname*: name of the latitudes column *longs\_colname*: name of the longitudes column *times\_colname*: name of the time column *alts\_colname*: name of the altitudes column *output\_file*: path of the output file

**static** **dataframe\_to\_gpx** (*input\_df*, *lats\_colname='latitude'*, *longs\_colname='longitude'*,  
*times\_colname=None*, *alts\_colname=None*, *output\_file=None*)

convert pandas dataframe to gpx *input\_df*: pandas dataframe *lats\_colname*: name of the latitudes column *longs\_colname*: name of the longitudes column *times\_colname*: name of the time column *alts\_colname*: name of the altitudes column *output\_file*: path of the output file

**excel\_to\_gpx** (*lats\_colname='latitude'*, *longs\_colname='longitude'*, *times\_colname=None*,  
*alts\_colname=None*, *output\_file=None*)

convert csv file to gpx lats\_colname: name of the latitudes column longs\_colname: name of the longitudes column times\_colname: name of the time column alts\_colname: name of the altitudes column output\_file: path of the output file

**gpx\_to\_csv** (lats\_colname='latitude', longs\_colname='longitude', times\_colname='time', alts\_colname='altitude', output\_file=None)

convert a gpx file to a csv lats\_colname: name of the latitudes column longs\_colname: name of the longitudes column times\_colname: name of the times column alts\_colname: name of the altitude column output\_file: output file where the csv file will be saved

**gpx\_to\_dataframe** (lats\_colname='latitude', longs\_colname='longitude', times\_colname='time', alts\_colname='altitude')

convert gpx file to a pandas dataframe lats\_colname: name of the latitudes column longs\_colname: name of the longitudes column times\_colname: name of the times column alts\_colname: name of the altitude column

**gpx\_to\_dictionary** (latitude\_key='latitude', longitude\_key='longitude', time\_key='time', altitude\_key='altitude')

**gpx\_to\_excel** (lats\_colname='latitude', longs\_colname='longitude', times\_colname='time', alts\_colname='altitude', output\_file=None)

convert a gpx file to a excel lats\_colname: name of the latitudes column longs\_colname: name of the longitudes column times\_colname: name of the times column alts\_colname: name of the altitude column output\_file: output file where the csv file will be saved

**gpx\_to\_json** (lats\_keyname='latitude', longs\_keyname='longitude', times\_keyname='time', alts\_keyname='altitude', output\_file=None)

convert a gpx file to json lats\_keyname: name of the key which will hold all latitude values longs\_keyname: name of the key which will hold all longitude values times\_keyname: name of the key which will hold all time values alts\_keyname: name of the key which will hold all the altitude values output\_file: output file where the csv file will be saved

**gpx\_to\_numpy\_array** ()

**json\_to\_gpx** (lats\_colname='latitude', longs\_colname='longitude', times\_colname=None, alts\_colname=None, output\_file=None)

convert csv file to gpx lats\_colname: name of the latitudes column longs\_colname: name of the longitudes column times\_colname: name of the time column alts\_colname: name of the altitudes column output\_file: path of the output file

**static spline\_interpolation** (cv, n=100, degree=3, periodic=False)

Calculate n samples on a bspline

cv : Array of control vertices n : Number of samples to return degree: Curve degree periodic: True - Curve is closed

False - Curve is open

### 4.1.3 gpx\_converter.csv\_to\_gpx module

### 4.1.4 gpx\_converter.gpx\_to\_csv module

### 4.1.5 gpx\_converter.gpx\_to\_excel module

### 4.1.6 gpx\_converter.gpx\_to\_json module

### 4.1.7 Module contents



Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given. You can contribute in many ways:

## 5.1 Types of Contributions

### 5.1.1 Report Bugs

Report bugs at [https://github.com/nidhaloff/gpx\\_converter/issues](https://github.com/nidhaloff/gpx_converter/issues).

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

### 5.1.2 Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

### 5.1.3 Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “enhancement” and “help wanted” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

### 5.1.4 Write Documentation

gpx\_converter could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official gpx\_converter docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

### 5.1.5 Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at [https://github.com/nidhaloff/gpx\\_converter/issues](https://github.com/nidhaloff/gpx_converter/issues).

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

## 5.2 Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up *gpx\_converter* for local development.

1. Fork the *gpx\_converter* repo on GitHub.
2. Clone your fork locally:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/gpx_converter.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have virtualenvwrapper installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development:

```
$ mkvirtualenv gpx_converter
$ cd gpx_converter/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox:

```
$ flake8 gpx_converter tests
$ python setup.py test or pytest
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

## 5.3 Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 3.5, 3.6, 3.7 and 3.8, and for PyPy. Check [https://travis-ci.com/nidhaloff/gpx\\_converter/pull\\_requests](https://travis-ci.com/nidhaloff/gpx_converter/pull_requests) and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

## 5.4 Tips

To run a subset of tests:

```
$ pytest tests.test_gpx_converter
```

## 5.5 Deploying

A reminder for the maintainers on how to deploy. Make sure all your changes are committed (including an entry in HISTORY.rst). Then run:

```
$ bump2version patch # possible: major / minor / patch
$ git push
$ git push --tags
```

Travis will then deploy to PyPI if tests pass.



### 6.1 Development Lead

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### 6.2 Contributors

None yet. Why not be the first?



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