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# **lcmmap-merlin Documentation**

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A Python3 library for turning LCMAP spatial data into timeseries like magic.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Features

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- Retrieve chips & chip specs
- Convert chips & chip specs into time series rods
- Many composable functions
- Works with symmetric or assymetric data arrays
- Built with efficiency in mind... leverages Numpy for heavy lifting.
- Tested with cPython 3.5 & 3.6





## CHAPTER 2

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### Example

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```
import merlin

queries = {
    'red': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:red AND sr',
    'green': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:green AND sr',
    'blue': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:blue AND sr'
}

timeseries = merlin.create(point=(123, 456),
                           acquired='1980-01-01/2017-01-01',
                           queries=queries,
                           chips_url='http://host/v1/landsat/chips')

print(timeseries)

(((123, 456, 123, 456), {'red' : [9, 8, ...],
                          'green': [99, 88, ...]},
                          'blue' : [12, 22, ...],
                          'dates': ['2017-01-01', '2016-12-31', ...]}),
 ((123, 456, 124, 456), {'red' : [4, 3, ...],
                          'green': [19, 8, ...]},
                          'blue' : [1, 11, ...],
                          'dates': ['2017-01-01', '2016-12-31', ...]}),)
```



## CHAPTER 3

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### Documentation

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Complete documentation is available at <http://lcmmap-merlin.readthedocs.io/>



## CHAPTER 4

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### Installation

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```
pip install lomap-merlin
```



## CHAPTER 5

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### Versioning

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Merlin follows semantic versioning: <http://semver.org/>





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## 6.1 Cookbook

### 6.1.1 Create Timeseries

```
import merlin

queries = {
    'red': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:red AND sr',
    'green': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:green AND sr',
    'blue': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:blue AND sr'}

timeseries = merlin.create(point=(123, 456),
                           acquired='1980-01-01/2017-01-01',
```

```

        queries=queries,
        chips_url='http://host/v1/landsat/chips')

print(timeseries)

(((123, 456, 123, 456), {'red' : [9, 8, ...],
                          'green': [99, 88, ...]},
                          'blue' : [12, 22, ...],
                          'dates': ['2017-01-01', '2016-12-31', ...]}),
 ((123, 456, 124, 456), {'red' : [4, 3, ...],
                          'green': [19, 8, ...]},
                          'blue' : [1, 11, ...],
                          'dates': ['2017-01-01', '2016-12-31', ...]}),)

```

## 6.1.2 Create Timeseries From Assymetric Data

```

from functools import partial
from merlin import chips
from merlin import functions
from merlin import timeseries
import merlin

queries = {
    'red': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:red AND sr',
    'green': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:green AND sr',
    'blue': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:blue AND sr',
    'quality': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:pixelqa'}

data = timeseries.create(
    point=(123, 456),
    dates_fn=partial(functions.chexists,
                     check_fn=timeseries.symmetric_dates,
                     keys=['quality',]),
    chips_url='http://localhost',
    acquired='1980-01-2015-12-31',
    queries=queries)

```

## 6.1.3 Retrieve Chips & Specs

```

from merlin.chips import get as chips_fn
from merlin.chip_specs import get as specs_fn
from merlin.composite import chips_and_specs

queries = {
    'red': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:red AND sr',
    'green': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:green AND sr',
    'blue': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:blue AND sr'}

chips, specs = chips_and_specs(point=(123, 456),
                               acquired='1980-01-01/2017-08-22',
                               queries=queries,
                               chips_fn=chips_fn,
                               specs_fn=specs_fn,
                               chips_url='http://host/v1/landsat/chips')

```

## 6.2 Design

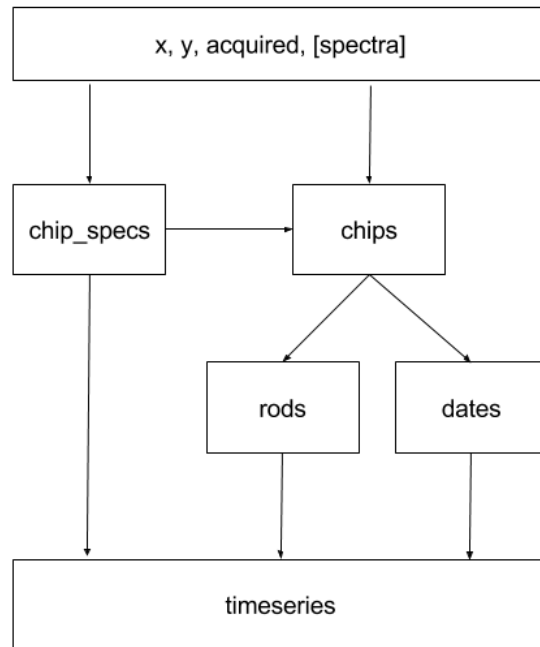


Fig. 6.1: Data Transformations From Source To Timeseries.

Timeseries creation in Merlin is a series of data transformations, beginning with the values for *x*, *y*, *acquired* (range), and a dictionary of chip spec queries. *x* and *y* are coordinates in a spatial projection, *acquired* is an ISO8601 date range string, and queries are ElasticSearch URL queries.

These values are used to retrieve first a set of chip specs, and then the stacks of chips. A chip spec is a dictionary containing shape, data type, and size information for a chip as well as other metadata. A chip is a single two dimensional array of values representing an observation by a particular satellite, from a particular mission, on a known date and in a known spectrum.

A configurable function is applied against the full results of the chips and chip specs queries before any further operations take place. The purpose of this function is to serve as a filter for the data received from the source. This is a logical point for verifying that all data was received correctly and also for determining which dates should and should not be included in the final time series stack.

The filtered stack of chips is combined with chip spec information to split and reorganize the observations into rods, or single pixel height & width observations stacked together in time.

Locations are calculated for each single pixel observation and then merged into a data structure under the appropriate key value for each *x* & *y* pair.

The originating chip's upper left *x* & *y* are merged with the individual observation's *x* & *y* to enable consistent

partitioning from source through downstream functions.

Finally, a properly sorted dates array is associated into the top level data structure beside the spectral stacks. The order of the dates array matches the order of observations.

The final data structure appears as...

```
>>> pyccd_format(*args)
(((chip_x, chip_y, x1, y1), {"dates": [], "reds": [],
                              "greens": [], "blues": [],
                              "nirs1": [], "swirls": [],
                              "swir2s": [], "thermals": [],
                              "quality": []}),
 ((chip_x, chip_y, x1, y2), {"dates": [], "reds": [],
                              "greens": [], "blues": [],
                              "nirs1": [], "swirls": [],
                              "swir2s": [], "thermals": [],
                              "quality": []}))
```

... assuming that the original chip specs query had separate keys for reds, greens, blues, etc.

## 6.3 Develop

### 6.3.1 Get The Source

```
$ git clone git@github.com:usgs-eros/lcmap-merlin
# Highly recommend working within a virtual environment
$ conda create --name merlin python=3.6
$ source activate merlin
$ cd lcmap-merlin
$ pip install -e .[test, dev, doc]
```

### 6.3.2 Testing

```
$ pytest
```

Occasionally chip and chip spec test data may need to be updated if the source specifications change.

Execute `data.update_specs()` and `data.update_chips()` from a repl. The date range and spatial location of the data may be altered in `merlin/support/__init__.py`. When expanding the data query date range, please note that PyPi has a limit of 60MB per artifact. Uploads exceeding this limit will result in failure messages while publishing.

```
specs_url = 'http://localhost:5678/v1/landsat/chip-specs'
chips_url = 'http://localhost:5678/v1/landsat/chips'

from merlin.support import data
data.update_specs(specs_url=specs_url)
data.update_chips(chips_url=chips_url, specs_url=specs_url)
```

### 6.3.3 Build Sphinx Docs

This is only necessary during development. Release documents are built automatically by readthedocs.io.

```
$ cd docs
$ make html
```

## 6.4 API Reference

### 6.4.1 merlin.chip\_specs

`merlin.chip_specs.byubid(chip_specs)`

Organizes `chip_specs` by `ubid`

**Parameters** `chip_specs` (*sequence*) – a sequence of chip specs

**Returns** `chip_specs` keyed by `ubid`

**Return type** dict

`merlin.chip_specs.get(query)`

Queries aardvark and returns `chip_specs`

**Parameters** `query` (*str*) – full url query for aardvark

**Returns** sequence of chip specs

**Return type** tuple

#### Example

```
>>> chip_specs('http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=red AND sr')
('chip_spec_1', 'chip_spec_2', ...)
```

`merlin.chip_specs.ubids(chip_specs)`

Extract `ubids` from a sequence of `chip_specs`

**Parameters** `chip_specs` (*sequence*) – a sequence of `chip_spec` dicts

**Returns** a sequence of `ubids`

**Return type** tuple

### 6.4.2 merlin.chips

`merlin.chips.bounds_to_coordinates(bounds, spec)`

Returns chip coordinates from a sequence of bounds. Performs minbox operation on bounds, thus irregular geometries may be supplied.

**Parameters**

- **bounds** – a sequence of bounds.
- **spec** – a chip spec representing chip geometry

**Returns** chip coordinates

**Return type** tuple

### Example

```
>>> xys = bounds_to_coordinates(  
        bounds=((112, 443), (112, 500), (100, 443)),  
        spec=chip_spec)  
>>> ((100, 500),)
```

`merlin.chips.chip_to_numpy(chip, chip_spec)`

Removes base64 encoding of chip data and converts it to a numpy array

#### Parameters

- **chip** – A chip
- **chip\_spec** – Corresponding chip\_spec

**Returns** a decoded chip with data as a shaped numpy array

`merlin.chips.coordinates(ulx, uly, lrx, lry, chip_spec)`

Returns all the chip coordinates that are needed to cover a supplied bounding box.

#### Parameters

- **ulx** – upper left x
- **uly** – upper left y
- **lrx** – lower right x
- **lry** – lower right y
- **chip\_spec** – dict containing chip\_x, chip\_y, shift\_x, shift\_y

**Returns** tuple of tuples of chip coordinates ((x1,y1), (x2,y1) ...)

**Return type** tuple

This example assumes chip sizes of 500 pixels.

### Example

```
>>> chip_coordinates = coordinates(1000, -1000, -500, 500, chip_spec)  
((-1000, 500), (-500, 500), (-1000, -500), (-500, -500))
```

`merlin.chips.dates(chips)`

Dates for a sequence of chips

**Parameters** **chips** – sequence of chips

**Returns** datestrings

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.chips.deduplicate(chips)`

Accepts a sequence of chips and returns a sequence of chips minus any duplicates. A chip is considered a duplicate if it shares an x, y, UBID and acquired date with another chip.

**Parameters** **chips** (*sequence*) – Sequence of chips

**Returns** A nonduplicated tuple of chips

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.chips.difference` (*point*, *interval*)

Calculate difference between a point and 'prior' point on an interval.

The value of this function can be used to answer the question, what do I subtract from a point to find the point of the nearest chip that contains it?

Geospatial raster data geometry can be somewhat counter-intuitive because coordinates and pixel geometry are expressed with both positive and negative values.

Along the x-axis, pixel size (and thus the interval) is a positive number (e.g. 30 \* 100). Along the y-axis though, the pixel size and interval is a `_negative_` value. Even though this may seem peculiar, using a negative value helps us avoid special cases for finding the nearest tile-point.

**Parameters**

- **point** – a scalar value on the real number line
- **interval** – a scalar value describing regularly spaced points on the real number line

**Returns** difference between a point and prior point on an interval.

`merlin.chips.get` (*url*, *x*, *y*, *acquired*, *ubids*)

Returns aardvark chips for given x, y, date range and ubid sequence

**Parameters**

- **url** – full url to aardvark endpoint
- **x** – longitude
- **y** – latitude
- **acquired** – ISO8601 daterange '2012-01-01/2014-01-03'
- **ubids** – sequence of ubid strings
- **url** – string
- **x** – number
- **y** – number

**Returns** chips

**Return type** tuple

## Example

```
>>> chips(url='http://host:port/landsat/chips',
          x=123456,
          y=789456,
          acquired='2012-01-01/2014-01-03',
          ubids=['LANDSAT_7/ETM/sr_band1', 'LANDSAT_5/TM/sr_band1'])
```

`merlin.chips.identity` (*chip*)

Determine the identity of a chip.

**Parameters** **chip** (*dict*) – A chip

**Returns** Tuple of the chip identity field

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.chips.locations` (*startx, starty, chip\_spec*)

Computes locations for array elements that fall within the shape specified by `chip_spec['data_shape']` using the `startx` and `starty` as the origin. `locations()` does not `snap()` the `startx` and `starty`... this should be done prior to calling `locations()` if needed.

**Parameters**

- **startx** – x coordinate (longitude) of upper left pixel of chip
- **starty** – y coordinate (latitude) of upper left pixel of chip

**Returns** a two (three) dimensional numpy array of [x, y] coordinates

`merlin.chips.near` (*point, interval, offset*)

Find nearest point given an interval and offset.

The nearest point will be lesser than the point for a positive interval, and greater than the point for a negative interval as is required when finding an ‘upper-left’ point on a cartesian plane.

This function is used to calculate the nearest points along the x- and y- axis.

**Parameters**

- **point** – a scalar value on the real number line
- **interval** – a scalar value describing regularly spaced points on the real number line
- **offset** – a scalar value used to shift point before and after finding the ‘preceding’ interval.

**Returns** a number representing a point.

`merlin.chips.point_to_chip` (*x, y, x\_interval, y\_interval, x\_offset, y\_offset*)

Find the nearest containing chip’s point.

The resulting *x* value will be less than or equal to the input while the resulting *y* value will be greater than or equal.

For this function to work properly, intervals and offsets must be expressed in terms of projection coordinate system ‘easting’ and ‘northing’ units.

Along the x-axis, this works as expected. The interval is a multiple of pixel size and tile size (e.g.  $30 * 100 = 3000$ ). Along the y-axis the interval is negative because the pixel size is negative, as you move from the origin of a raster file, the y-axis value *\_decreases\_*.

The offset value is used for grids that are not aligned with the origin of the projection coordinate system.

**Parameters**

- **x** – longitudinal value
- **y** – latitude value
- **x\_interval** –
- **y\_interval** –
- **x\_offset** –
- **y\_offset** –

**Returns** x,y where x and y are the identifying coordinates of a chip.

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.chips.snap` (*x, y, chip\_spec*)

Transform an arbitrary projection system coordinate (x,y) into the coordinate of the chip that contains it.



This function only works when working with points on a cartesian plane, it cannot be used with other coordinate systems.

**Parameters**

- **x** – x coordinate
- **y** – y coordinate
- **chip\_spec** – parameters for a chip's grid system

**Returns** chip x,y

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.chips.to_numpy(chips, chip_specs_byubid)`

Converts the data for a sequence of chips to numpy arrays

**Parameters**

- **chips** (*sequence*) – a sequence of chips
- **chip\_specs\_byubid** (*dict*) – chip\_specs keyed by ubid

**Returns** chips with data as numpy arrays

**Return type** sequence

`merlin.chips.trim(chips, dates)`

Eliminates chips that are not from the specified dates

**Parameters**

- **chips** – Sequence of chips
- **dates** – Sequence of dates that should be included in result

**Returns** filtered chips

**Return type** tuple

### 6.4.3 merlin.composite

`merlin.composite.chips_and_specs(point, specs_fn, chips_url, chips_fn, acquired, query)`

Returns chips and specs for a given chip spec query

**Parameters**

- **point** (*tuple*) – (x, y) which is within the extents of a chip
- **specs\_fn** (*function*) – Function that accepts a url query and returns chip specs
- **chips\_url** (*str*) – URL to the chips host:port/context
- **chips\_fn** (*function*) – Function that accepts x, y, acquired, url, ubids and returns chips.
- **acquired** (*str*) – ISO8601 date range
- **query** (*str*) – URL query to retrieve chip specs

**Returns** [chips], [specs]

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.composite.locate(point, spec)`

Returns chip\_x, chip\_y and all chip locations given a point and spec

**Parameters**

- **point** (*sequence*) – sequence of x,y
- **spec** (*dict*) – chip spec

**Returns** (chip\_x, chip\_y, chip\_locations), where chip\_locations is a two dimensional chip-shaped numpy array of (x,y)

**Return type** tuple

## 6.4.4 merlin.dates

`merlin.dates.enddate` (*acquired*)

Returns the enddate from an acquired date string

**Parameters** **acquired** (*str*) – / separated date range in iso8601 format

**Returns** End date

**Return type** str

`merlin.dates.from_cas` (*cas*)

Transform a dict of chips and specs into a dict of datestrings

**Parameters** **cas** – chips and specs {k: [chips],[specs]}

**Returns** {k: [datestring2, datestring1, datestring3]}

**Return type** dict

`merlin.dates.is_acquired` (*acquired*)

Is the date string a / separated date range in iso8601 format?

**Parameters** **acquired** – A date string

**Returns;** bool: True or False

`merlin.dates.startdate` (*acquired*)

Returns the startdate from an acquired date string

**Parameters** **acquired** (*str*) – / separated date range in iso8601 format

**Returns** Start date

**Return type** str

`merlin.dates.to_ordinal` (*datestring*)

Extract an ordinal date from a date string

**Parameters** **datestring** (*str*) – date value

**Returns** ordinal date

**Return type** int

## 6.4.5 merlin.files

Functions for working with files in python

`merlin.files.append` (*path, data*)

Append data to a text file.

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Full path to file
- **data** (*str*) – File text

**Returns** Number of characters appended

**Return type** int

`merlin.files.appendb(path, data)`

Write data to a binary file.

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Full path to file
- **data** (*str*) – File bytes

**Returns** Number of bytes appended

**Return type** int

`merlin.files.delete(path)`

Delete a file.

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – Full path to file

**Returns** True if the file was deleted, False if not (with message logged)

**Return type** bool

`merlin.files.exists(path)`

Determine if a file exists.

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – Full path to file

**Returns** True if the file exists, False if not

**Return type** bool

`merlin.files.mkdirs(filename)`

Ensures the set of directories exist for the supplied filename.

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Full path to where the file should exist

**Returns** Full file path if the directories were created or None

`merlin.files.read(path)`

Read a text file.

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – Full path to file

**Returns** File text

**Return type** str

`merlin.files.readb(path)`

Read a binary file.

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – Full path to file

**Returns** File bytes

`merlin.files.readlines(path)`

Read lines from a text file.

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – Full path to file

**Returns** File text

**Return type** list

`merlin.files.readlinesb(path)`

Read lines from a binary file.

**Parameters** `path` (*str*) – Full path to file

**Returns** File bytes

**Return type** list

`merlin.files.write(path, data)`

Write data to a text file.

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Full path to file
- **data** (*str*) – File text

**Returns** Number of characters written

**Return type** int

`merlin.files.writeb(path, data)`

Write data to a binary file.

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Full path to file
- **data** (*str*) – File bytes

**Returns** Number of bytes written

**Return type** int

## 6.4.6 merlin.functions

functions.py is a module of generalized, reusable functions

`merlin.functions.chexists(dictionary, keys, check_fn)`

applies `check_fn` against dictionary minus keys then ensures the items returned from `check_fn` exist in `dictionary[keys]`

**Parameters**

- **dictionary** (*dict*) – {key: [v1, v3, v2]}
- **keys** (*sequence*) – A sequence of keys in dictionary
- **check\_fn** (*function*) – Function that accepts dict and returns sequence of items or Exception

**Returns** A sequence of items that are returned from `check_fn` and exist in `dictionary[keys]` or Exception

`merlin.functions.cqlstr(string)`

Makes a string safe to use in Cassandra CQL commands

**Parameters** `string` – The string to use in CQL

**Returns** A safe string replacement

**Return type** str

`merlin.functions.deserialize(string)`

Reconstitutes datastructure from a string.

**Parameters** `string` – A serialized data structure

**Returns** Data structure represented by string parameter

`merlin.functions.difference(a, b)`

Subtracts items in b from items in a.

**Parameters**

- `a` – sequence a
- `b` – sequence b

**Returns;** set: items that exist in a but not b

`merlin.functions.extract(sequence, elements)`

Given a sequence (possibly with nested sequences), extract the element identified by the elements sequence.

**Parameters**

- **sequence** – A sequence of elements which may be other sequences
- **elements** – Sequence of nested element indicies (in sequence parameter) to extract

**Returns** The target element

### Example

```
>>> inputs = [1, (2, 3, (4, 5)), 6]
>>> extract(inputs, [0])
>>> 1
>>> extract(inputs, [1])
>>> (2, 3, (4, 5))
>>> extract(inputs, [1, 0])
>>> 2
>>> extract(inputs, [1, 1])
>>> 3
>>> extract(inputs, [1, 2])
>>> (4, 5)
>>> extract(inputs, [1, 2, 0])
>>> 4
```

...

`merlin.functions.flatten(iterable)`

Reduce dimensionality of iterable containing iterables

**Parameters** `iterable` – A multi-dimensional iterable

**Returns** A one dimensional iterable

`merlin.functions.flip_keys(dods)`

Accepts a dictionary of dictionaries and flips the outer and inner keys. All inner dictionaries must have a consistent set of keys or key Exception is raised.

**Parameters** `dods` – dict of dicts

**Returns** dict of dicts with inner and outer keys flipped

### Example

```
>>> dods = {"red":    {(0, 0): [110, 110, 234, 664],
                      (0, 1): [23, 887, 110, 111]},
            "green":  {(0, 0): [120, 112, 224, 624],
                      (0, 1): [33, 387, 310, 511]},
            "blue":   {(0, 0): [128, 412, 244, 654],
                      (0, 1): [73, 987, 119, 191]},
            }
>>> flip_keys(dods)
{(0, 0): {"red":    [110, 110, 234, 664],
          "green":  [120, 112, 224, 624],
          "blue":   [128, 412, 244, 654], ... },
 (0, 1): {"red":    [23, 887, 110, 111],
          "green":  [33, 387, 310, 511],
          "blue":   [73, 987, 119, 191], ... }}
```

`merlin.functions.intersection(items)`

Returns the intersecting set contained in items

**Parameters** `items` – Two dimensional sequence of items

**Returns** Intersecting set of items

### Example

```
>>> items = [[1, 2, 3], [2, 3, 4], [3, 4, 5]]
>>> intersection(items)
{3}
```

`merlin.functions.isnumeric(value)`

Does a string value represent a number (positive or negative?)

**Parameters** `value` (*str*) – A string

**Returns** True or False

**Return type** bool

`merlin.functions.issubset(a, b)`

Determines if a exists in b

**Parameters**

- `a` – sequence a
- `b` – sequence b

**Returns** True or False

**Return type** bool

`merlin.functions.md5(string)`

Computes and returns an md5 digest of the supplied string

**Parameters** `string` – string to digest

**Returns** digest value

`merlin.functions.minbox`

Returns the minimal bounding box necessary to contain points

**Parameters** **points** (*tuple*) – (x,y) points: ((0,0), (40, 55), (66, 22))

**Returns** ulx, uly, lrx, lry

**Return type** dict

`merlin.functions.represent` (*item*)

Represents callables and values consistently

**Parameters** **item** – The item to represent

**Returns** Item representation

`merlin.functions.rsort` (*iterable*, *key=None*)

Reverse sorts an iterable

`merlin.functions.seqeq` (*a*, *b*)

Determine if two unordered sequences are equal.

**Parameters**

- **a** – sequence a
- **b** – sequence b

**Returns** True or False

**Return type** bool

`merlin.functions.serialize` (*arg*)

Converts datastructure to json, computes digest

**Parameters** **dictionary** – A python dict

**Returns** (digest,json)

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.functions.sha256` (*string*)

Computes and returns a sha256 digest of the supplied string

**Parameters** **string** (*str*) – string to digest

**Returns** digest value

`merlin.functions.simplify_objects` (*obj*)

`merlin.functions.sort` (*iterable*, *key=None*)

Sorts an iterable

`merlin.functions.timed` (*f*)

Timing wrapper for functions. Prints start and stop time to INFO along with function name, arguments and keyword arguments.

**Parameters** **f** (*function*) – Function to be timed

**Returns** Wrapped function

**Return type** function

### 6.4.7 merlin.rods

`merlin.rods.from_chips` (*chips*)

Accepts sequences of chips and returns time series pixel rods organized by x, y, t for all chips. Chips should be sorted as desired before calling rods() as outputs preserve input order.

**Parameters** **chips** – sequence of chips with data as numpy arrays

**Returns** 3d numpy array organized by x, y, and t. Output shape matches input chip shape with the chip value replaced by another numpy array of chip time series values

**Description:**

1. For each chip add data to master numpy array.
2. Transpose the master array
3. Horizontally stack the transposed master array elements
4. Reshape the master array to match incoming chip dimensions
5. Pixel rods are now organized for timeseries access by x, y, t

```
>>> chip_one = np.int_([[11, 12, 13],
                        [14, 15, 16],
                        [17, 18, 19]])
>>> chip_two = np.int_([[21, 22, 23],
                        [24, 25, 26],
                        [27, 28, 29]])
>>> chip_three = np.int_([[31, 32, 33],
                          [34, 35, 36],
                          [37, 38, 39]])
>>> master = np.conj([chip_one, chip_two, chip_three])
>>> np.hstack(master.T).reshape(3, 3, -1)
array([[ [ 11, 21, 31], [ 12, 22, 32], [ 13, 23, 33]],
       [[ 14, 24, 34], [ 15, 25, 35], [ 16, 26, 36]],
       [[ 17, 27, 37], [ 18, 28, 38], [ 19, 29, 39]]])
```

`merlin.rods.locate(locations, rods)`

Combines location information with pixel rods.

**Parameters**

- **locations** – Chip shaped numpy array of locations
- **rods** – Chip shaped numpy array of rods

**Returns** (location):rod for each location and rod in the arrays.

**Return type** dict

**Description:** Incoming locations as 3d array:

```
>>> array([[ [0,0], [0,1], [0,2]],
          [[1,0], [1,1], [1,2]],
          [[2,0], [2,1], [2,2]]])
```

Incoming rods also as 3d array:

```
>>> array([[ [110,110,234,664], [23,887,110,111], [110,464,223,112]],
          [[111,887,1,110], [33,111,12,111], [0,111,66,112]],
          [[12,99,112,110], [112,87,231,111], [112,45,47,112]]])
```

locrods converts locations to:



```
>>> locations.reshape(locations.shape[0] * locations.shape[1], -1)
array([[0, 0],
       [0, 1],
       [0, 2],
       [1, 0],
       [1, 1],
       [1, 2],
       [2, 0],
       [2, 1],
       [2, 2]])
```

And rods to:

```
>>> rods.reshape(rods.shape[0] * rods.shape[1], -1)
array([[110, 110, 234, 664],
       [23, 887, 110, 111],
       [110, 464, 223, 112],
       [111, 887, 1, 110],
       [33, 111, 12, 111],
       [0, 111, 66, 112],
       [12, 99, 112, 110],
       [112, 87, 231, 111],
       [112, 45, 47, 112]])
```

Then the locations and rods are zipped together via a dictionary comprehension and returned.

```
>>> {
    (0,0): [110, 110, 234, 664],
    (0,1): [23, 887, 110, 111],
    (0,2): [110, 464, 223, 112],
    (1,0): [111, 887, 1, 110],
    (1,1): [33, 111, 12, 111],
    (1,2): [0, 111, 66, 112],
    (2,0): [12, 99, 112, 110],
    (2,1): [112, 87, 231, 111],
    (2,2): [112, 45, 47, 112]
}
```

## 6.4.8 merlin.timeseries

`merlin.timeseries.add_dates` (*dates*, *dods*, *key*='dates')

Inserts dates into each subdictionary of the parent dictionary.

### Parameters

- **dod** – A dictionary of dictionaries
- **dates** – A sequence of dates
- **key** – Subdict key where dates values is inserted

**Returns** An updated dictionary of dictionaries with

`merlin.timeseries.create` (*point*, *chips\_url*, *acquired*, *queries*, *chips\_fn*=<function get>, *dates\_fn*=<function symmetric\_dates>, *format\_fn*=<function pyccd\_format>, *specs\_fn*=<function get>)

Queries data, performs date filtering/checking and formats the results.

### Parameters

- **point** – Tuple of (x, y) which is within the extents of a chip
- **chips\_url** – URL to the chips host:port/context
- **acquired** – Date range string as start/end, ISO 8601 date format
- **queries** – dict of URL queries to retrieve chip specs keyed by spectra
- **chips\_fn** – Function that accepts x, y, acquired, url, ubids and returns chips.
- **dates\_fn** – Function that accepts dict of {spectra: [specs],[chips]} and returns a sequence of dates that should be included in the time series. May raise an Exception to halt time series construction.
- **format\_fn** – Function that accepts chip\_x, chip\_y, chip\_locations, chips\_and\_specs, dates and returns it's representation of a time series.
- **specs\_fn** – Function that accepts a url query and returns chip specs

**Returns** Return value from format\_fn

`merlin.timeseries.errorhandler(msg='', raises=False)`  
Constructs, logs and raises error messages

**Parameters**

- **msg** – Custom message string
- **raises** – Whether to raise an exception or not

**Returns** exception handler function

`merlin.timeseries.identify(chip_x, chip_y, rod)`  
Adds chip ids (chip\_x, chip\_y) to the key for each dict entry

**Parameters**

- **chip\_x** – x coordinate that identifies the source chip
- **chip\_y** – y coordinate that identifies the source chip
- **rod** – dict of (x, y): [values]

**Returns** {(chip\_x, chip\_y, x, y): [values]}

**Return type** dict

`merlin.timeseries.pyccd_format(chip_x, chip_y, chip_locations, chips_and_specs, dates)`  
Builds inputs for the pyccd algorithm.

**Parameters**

- **chip\_x** – x coordinate for chip identifier
- **chip\_y** – y coordinate for chip identifier
- **chip\_locations** – chip shaped 2d array of projection coordinates
- **chips\_and\_specs** – {k: [chips],[specs]}
- **dates** – sequence of chip dates to be included in output

**Returns** A tuple of tuples.

**Description:** The pyccd format requires a key of (chip\_x, chip\_y, x, y) with a dictionary of sorted numpy arrays representing each spectra plus an additional sorted dates array.

```
>>> pyccd_format(*args)
(((chip_x, chip_y, x1, y1), {"dates": [], "reds": [],
                              "greens": [], "blues": [],
                              "nirs1": [], "swirls": [],
                              "swir2s": [], "thermals": [],
                              "quality": []}),
 ((chip_x, chip_y, x1, y2), {"dates": [], "reds": [],
                              "greens": [], "blues": [],
                              "nirs1": [], "swirls": [],
                              "swir2s": [], "thermals": [],
                              "quality": []}))
...

```

`merlin.timeseries.refspec(cas)`

Returns the first chip spec from the first key to use as a reference.

**Parameters** `cas` – chips and specs {key: [chips],[specs]}

**Returns** chip spec

**Return type** dict

`merlin.timeseries.sort(chips, key=<function <lambda>>)`

Sorts all the returned chips by date.

**Parameters** `chips` – sequence of chips

**Returns** sorted sequence of chips

`merlin.timeseries.symmetric_dates(dates)`

Returns a sequence of dates for chips that should be included in downstream functions. May raise Exception.

**Parameters** `dates` – {key: [datestrings,]}

**Returns** Sequence of date strings or Exception

### Example

```
>>> symmetrical_dates({"red": [ds3, ds1, ds2],
                      "blue": [ds2, ds3, ds1]})
[2, 3, 1]
>>>
>>> symmetrical_dates({"red": [ds3, ds1],
                      "blue": [ds2, ds3, ds1]})
Exception: red:[3, 1] does not match blue:[2, 3, 1]

```

## 6.4.9 merlin.support

`merlin.support.chip_spec_queries(url)`

A map of pyccd spectra to chip-spec queries

**Parameters** `url` (*str*) – full url (<http://host:port/resource>) for chip-spec endpoint

**Returns** map of spectra to chip spec queries

**Return type** dict

Example:

```
>>> chip_spec_queries('http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs')
{'reds': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:red AND sr',
'greens': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:green AND sr',
'blues': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:blue AND sr',
'nirs': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:nir AND sr',
'swirls': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:swirl1 AND sr',
'swir2s': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:swirl2 AND sr',
'thermals': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:thermal AND ta',
'quality': 'http://host/v1/landsat/chip-specs?q=tags:pixelqa'}
```

`merlin.support.data_config()`

Default configuration for retrieving and serving test data

**Returns** x, y, acquired, dataset\_name, chips\_dir, specs\_dir

**Return type** dict

### 6.4.10 merlin.support.data

Functions for working with local data. This module allows merlin functions to test using local data rather than requiring external systems such as aardvark to be available.

Mock servers (such as aardvark) live in other modules, not here.

There are functions contained for updating the data that lives under merlin/support/data. The locations of this data is controlled by values in merlin/support/\_\_init\_\_.py

`merlin.support.data.chips(spectra, support.data_config()['chips_dir'])`

Return chips for named spectra

**Parameters**

- **spectra** (*str*) – red, green, blue, nir, swirl1, swirl2, thermal or cfmask
- **root\_dir** (*str*) – directory where chips are located

**Returns** sequence of chips

`merlin.support.data.chip_specs(spectra, root_dir=support.data_config()['specs_dir'])`

Returns chip specs for the named spectra.

**Parameters**

- **spectra** (*str*) – red, green, blue, nir, swirl1, swirl2, thermal or cfmask
- **root\_dir** (*str*) – directory where chip specs are located

**Returns** sequence of chip specs

`merlin.support.data.chip_ids(root_dir=support.data_config()['chips_dir'])`

Returns chip ids for available chip data in root\_dir

**Parameters** **root\_dir** – directory where chips are located

**Returns** tuple of tuples of chip ids (UL coordinates)

`merlin.support.data.spectra_from_queryid(queryid, root_dir=support.data_config()['specs_dir'])`

Returns the spectra name for a chip spec from the supplied queryid

**Parameters**

- **queryid** (*str*) – query identifier
- **root\_dir** (*str*) – directory where chip specs are located

**Returns** spectra names associated with the query identifier

**Return type** list

`merlin.support.data.test_specs (root_dir=support.data_config()['specs_dir'])`

Returns a dict of all test chip specs keyed by spectra

**Parameters** `root_dir (str)` – directory where chip specs are located

**Returns** spectra: [chip\_spec1, chip\_spec2, ...]

**Return type** dict

`merlin.support.data.update_specs (specs_url, conf=support.data_config())`

Updates the spec test data

**Parameters**

- **specs\_url (str)** – chip spec query
- **conf (dict)** – key:values for data\_config

**Returns** True or Exception

**Return type** bool

`merlin.support.data.update_chips (chips_url, specs_url, conf=support.data_config())`

Updates the chip test data

**Parameters**

- **chips\_url (str)** – chips url
- **specs\_url (str)** – chip spec query
- **conf (dict)** – key:values for data\_config

**Returns** True or Exception

**Return type** bool

`merlin.support.data.live_specs (specs_url)`

Returns a dict of all chip specs defined by the driver.chip\_spec\_urls keyed by spectra

**Parameters** `specs_url (str)` – chip spec query

**Returns** spectra: [chip\_spec1, chip\_spec2, ...]

**Return type** dict

`merlin.support.data.spec_query_ids (specs_url)`

Returns a dictionary of key: query from a specs\_url

**Parameters** `specs_url (str)` – URL to chip specs

**Returns** key:query for all the queries associated with specs\_url

**Return type** dict

`merlin.support.data.spec_query_id (url)`

Generates identifier for spec query url based on the querystring

**Parameters** `url (str)` – url containing a querystring

**Returns** query identifier

**Return type** str

`merlin.support.data.spectra_from_specfile(filename)`

Returns the spectra the named chip spec file is associated with

**Parameters** `filename` (*str*) – File to obtain spectra from

**Returns** spectra associated with file

**Return type** `str`

`merlin.support.data.spectra_index(specs)`

Returns a dict keyed by ubid that maps to the spectra name

**Parameters** `specs` (*dict*) – A dict of spectra: chip\_specs

**Returns** spectra

**Return type** A dict of ubid

### 6.4.11 merlin.support.aardvark

Filesystem based local aardvark operations.

`merlin.support.aardvark.chip_specs(url)`

Return chip specs from local disk

**Parameters** `url` (*str*) – chip spec query

**Returns** sequence of chip specs matching query

**Return type** tuple

`merlin.support.aardvark.chips(x, y, acquired, url, ubids)`

Return chips from local disk

**Parameters**

- `x` (*number*) – x coordinate
- `y` (*number*) – y coordinate
- `acquired` (*str*) – ISO8601 date range string
- `url` (*str*) – Not used. Necessary to support chips interface
- `ubids` (*sequence*) – universal band ids

**Returns** sequence of chips

**Return type** tuple

## 6.5 FAQ

**I received `ValueError: need at least one array to concatenate`.** No data was received from the source. Adjust x, y, acquired or queries for an area, time and set of ubids that have data.

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