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# Open-FVS Documentation

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Open-FVS is both the official code base for the [Forest Vegetation Simulator \(FVS\)](#), maintained by the USFS Rocky Mountain Research Station, as well as a development workspace to foster open collaboration on development and enhancement of FVS.

The official Open-FVS project is hosted on [Google Code](#).

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PyFVS provides Python wrappers and helper code to make automation of FVS a breeze.

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#### Example Usage:

```
# fvs_demo.py
"""
Demonstrate basic usage of the PyFVS extension.

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"""

import matplotlib.pyplot as pyplot

# import the fvs module
import pyfvs.fvs

# Initialize FVS for the required variant
fvs = pyfvs.fvs.FVS(variant='pn')

# Execute a basic FVS run
# run_fvs is a helper method of the FVS class.
# **As with commandline FVS passing a keyword file assumes a
#     matching treelist file in the same folder
fvs.run_fvs('./demo.key')

# Plot the projected merchantable volume
age = fvs.get_summary('age')
bdft = fvs.get_summary('merch bdft')
pyplot.plot(age, bdft)
pyplot.title('Merchantable Volume Per Acre')
pyplot.xlabel('Age')
pyplot.ylabel('VPA (bdft)')
pyplot.show(block=True)
```

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