
Subject: Re: Sunrise/Sunset Algorithm

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> Here is realization of sunrise-sunset alg. I did it almost year ago
> I checked it with example data and I checked it with my own data and data from
http://www.weather.com/weather for some places. The errors were less then 5 min.
>
> Change the lat,lon,day,month,year,zenith,offset for your conditions
>
> ;Main Procedure
> PRO SUNRISETIME
> ;for testing use http://www.weather.com/weather
> ;
>
> ;control input
> lat=40.9
> lon=-74.3
> day=25
> month=6
> year=1990
> zenith=90.83
> offset=-4
> riseTime=getSunriseTime(LATITUDE=lat,LONGITUDE=lon,DAY=day,M
ONTH=month,YEAR=year,ZENITH=zenith)
> pSunriseTime=OBJ_NEW('IDLTIMECLASS')
> pSunriseTime->setDay,day
> pSunriseTime->setMonth,month
> pSunriseTime->setYear,year
> IF (riseTime EQ -1) THEN RETURN
> riseTime=pSunriseTime->convertToLocalTime(riseTime,offset)
> pSunriseTime->parseHoursOfDay,riseTime
> pSunriseTime->outputTimestamp;();
>
> print,"-----"
>
> sunsetTime=getSunsetTime(LATITUDE=lat,LONGITUDE=lon,DAY=day,
MONTH=month,YEAR=year,ZENITH=zenith)
> pSunsetTime=OBJ_NEW('IDLTIMECLASS')
> pSunsetTime->setDay,day
> pSunsetTime->setMonth,month
> pSunsetTime->setYear,year
> IF (sunsetTime EQ -1) THEN RETURN
> sunsetTime=pSunriseTime->convertToLocalTime(sunsetTime,offset)
> pSunsetTime->parseHoursOfDay,sunsetTime
> pSunsetTime->outputTimestamp;()
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> ;destroy objects
> OBJ_DESTROY,pSunriseTime,pSunsetTime
>
> END
>
> ;Calculus sunrise time for location
> ;inputs latitude, longitude,day,month,year,zenith
>
> FUNCTION getSunRiseTime,
LATITUDE=lat,LONGITUDE=lon,DAY=day,MONTH=month,YEAR=year,ZENITH=zenith
> PRINT,"Sunrise Calculations"
> N1=FLOOR(275*month/9)
> N2=FLOOR((month+9)/12)
> N3=(1+FLOOR((year-4*FLOOR(year/4)+2)/3))
> N=N1-(N2*N3)+day-30
> IngHour=lon/15
> t=N+((6-IngHour)/24)
> M=(0.9856*t)-3.289
> L=M+(1.916*SIN(!CONST.DtoR*M))+(0.020*sin(2!*CONST.DtoR*M))+ 282.634
> IF (L LT 0.) THEN L=L+360
> IF (L GT 360.) THEN L=L-360
> RA=!CONST.RtoD*atan(0.91764*tan(!CONST.DtoR*L))
> Lquadrant=(FLOOR(L/90))*90
> RAquadrant=(FLOOR(RA/90))*90
> RA=RA+(Lquadrant-RAquadrant)
> RA=RA/15
> sinDec=0.39782*sin(!CONST.DtoR*L)
> cosDec=cos(asin(sinDec));
> cosH=(cos(!CONST.DtoR*zenith)-(sinDec*sin(!CONST.DtoR*lat)))
/ (cosDec*cos(!CONST.DtoR*lat))
> IF (cosH GT 1.) THEN BEGIN
> PRINT,"The Sun is never rises (for this date) !!!"
> UT=-1
> ENDIF ELSE BEGIN
> H=360-(!CONST.RtoD*acos(cosH))
> H=H/15
> T1=H+RA-(0.06571*t)-6.622
> UT=T1-IngHour;
> IF (UT LT 0) THEN UT=UT+24
> IF (UT GT 24) THEN UT=UT-24
> PRINT,"Sunrise time (UT) is ",UT
> ENDELSE
> RETURN, UT
> END
>
> ;Calculus sunset time for location
> ;inputs latitude, longitude,day,month,year,zenith
>

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> FUNCTION getSunSetTime,
LATITUDE=lat,LONGITUDE=lon,DAY=day,MONTH=month,YEAR=year,ZENITH=zenith
>   PRINT,"Sunset Calculations"
>   N1=FLOOR(275*month/9)
>   N2=FLOOR((month+9)/12)
>   N3=(1+FLOOR((year-4*FLOOR(year/4)+2)/3))
>   N=N1-(N2*N3)+day-30
>   IngHour=lon/15
>   t=N+((18-IngHour)/24)
>   M=(0.9856*t)-3.289
>   L=M+(1.916*SIN(!CONST.DtoR*M))+(0.020*sin(2!*CONST.DtoR*M))+ 282.634
>   IF (L LT 0.) THEN L=L+360
>   IF (L GT 360.) THEN L=L-360
>   RA=!CONST.RtoD*atan(0.91764*tan(!CONST.DtoR*L))
>   Lquadrant=FLOOR(L/90)*90
>   RAquadrant=FLOOR(RA/90)*90
>   RA=RA+(Lquadrant-RAquadrant)
>   RA=RA/15
>   sinDec=0.39782*sin(!CONST.DtoR*L)
>   cosDec=cos(asin(sinDec))
>   cosH=(cos(!CONST.DtoR*zenith)-(sinDec*sin(!CONST.DtoR*lat)))
/(cosDec*cos(!CONST.DtoR*lat))
>   IF (cosH LT -1.) THEN BEGIN
>     PRINT,"The Sun is never sets (for this date) !!!"
>     UT=-1
>   ENDIF ELSE BEGIN
>     H=!CONST.RtoD*acos(cosH)
>     H=H/15
>     T1=H+RA-(0.06571*t)-6.622
>     UT=T1-IngHour;
>     IF (UT LT 0) THEN UT=UT+24
>     IF (UT GT 24) THEN UT=UT-24
>     PRINT,"Sunset time (UT) is ",UT
>   ENDELSE
>   RETURN, UT
> END
>
> ;class for time
>
> ;declaration
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS__DEFINE
>   A={IDLtimeCLASS,day:0,month:0,year:0,hours:0.,minutes:0.,sec onds:0.}
> END
>
> ;constructor
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::INIT
>   RETURN, 1
> END

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>
> ;set day
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::setDay,day
>   SELF.day=day
> END
>
> ;set month
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::setMonth,month
>   SELF.month=month
> END
>
> ;set year
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::setYear,year
>   SELF.year=year
> END
>
> ;set hours
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::setHours,hours
>   SELF.hours=hours
> END
>
> ;set minutes
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::setMinutes,minutes
>   SELF.minutes=minutes
> END
>
> ;set seconds
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::setSeconds,seconds
>   SELF.seconds=seconds
> END
>
> ;get day
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::getDay
>   RETURN,SELF.day
> END
>
> ;get month
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::getMonth
>   RETURN,SELF.month
> END
>
> ;get year
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::getYear
>   RETURN,SELF.year
> END
>
> ;get hours
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::getHours
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> RETURN,SELF.hours
> END
>
> ;get minutes
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::getMinutes
>   RETURN,SELF.minutes
> END
>
> ;get seconds
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::setSeconds
>   RETURN,SELF.seconds
> END
>
> ;parse the hours of day (hh.hh -> hh mm ss.ssss)
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::parseHoursOfDay,time
>   hours=FIX(time)
>   tmpTime=time-hours
>   minutes=FIX(tmpTime*60)
>   seconds=(tmpTime*60-minutes)*60
>   SELF.hours=hours
>   SELF.minutes=minutes
>   SELF.seconds=seconds
> END
>
> ;output timestamp
> PRO IDLtimeCLASS::outputTimestamp
>   timestampString=TIMESTAMP(YEAR=SELF.year,MONTH=SELF.month,DA
Y=SELF.day,HOUR=SELF.hours,$
>   MINUTE=SELF.minutes,SECOND=SELF.seconds)
>   PRINT,timestampString
> END
>
> ;update for localtime
> FUNCTION IDLtimeCLASS::convertToLocalTime,time,offset
>   time=time+offset
>   IF (time LE 0) THEN time=24+time
>   RETURN,time
> END

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YOUR JOB IS SO WELL!
THANKS A LOT!
