# GettingStarted

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# 1 Getting Started with AutoPhot

In this notebook you will walk through the very basics of AutoPhot functionality. Here you will learn how to make models; how to set them up for fitting; and how to view the results. These core elements will come up every time you use AutoPhot, though in future notebooks you will learn how to take advantage of the advanced features in AutoPhot.

```
[1]: import os
     import autophot as ap
     import numpy as np
     import torch
     from astropy.io import fits
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     from time import time
     %matplotlib inline
```

## 1.1 Your first model

The basic format for making an AutoPhot model is given below. Once a model object is constructed, it can be manipulated and updated in various ways.

```
[2]: model1 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
         name = "model1", # every model must have a unique name
         model_type = "sersic galaxy model", # this specifies the kind of model
         parameters = {"center": [50,50], "q": 0.6, "PA": 60*np.pi/180, "n": 2, "Re":
      ↪ 10, "Ie": 1}, # here we set initial values for each parameter
         target = ap.image.Target_Image(np.zeros((100,100)), zeropoint = 22.5,␣
      ↪pixelscale = 1.), # every model needs a target, more on this later
     )
     model1.initialize() # before using the model it is good practice to call␣
      ↪initialize so the model can get itself ready

     # We can print the model's current state
     print(model1)
```

```
model_type: sersic galaxy model
name: model1
parameter_order:
```

```
    - center
    - q
    - PA
    - n
    - Re
    - Ie
  parameters:
    Ie:
      identity: '139625942055952'
      name: Ie
      units: log10(flux/arcsec^2)
      value: 1.0
    PA:
      cyclic: true
      identity: '139625942055472'
      limits: !!python/tuple
      - 0.0
      - 3.141592653589793
      name: PA
      uncertainty: 0.06
      units: radians
      value: 1.0471975511965976
    Re:
      identity: '139625942055904'
      limits: !!python/tuple
      - 0.0
      - null
      name: Re
      units: arcsec
      value: 10.0
    center:
      identity: '139625942054704'
      name: center
      uncertainty:
      - 0.1
      - 0.1
      units: arcsec
      value:
      - 50.0
      - 50.0
    n:
      identity: '139625942055856'
      limits: !!python/tuple
      - 0.36
      - 8.0
      name: n
      uncertainty: 0.05
      units: none
```

```
        value: 2.0
      q:
        identity: '139625942055424'
        limits: !!python/tuple
        - 0.0
        - 1.0
        name: q
        uncertainty: 0.03
        units: b/a
        value: 0.6
    window:
      origin: !!python/tuple
      - 0.0
      - 0.0
      projection: !!python/tuple
      - !!python/tuple
        - 1.0
        - 0.0
      - !!python/tuple
        - 0.0
        - 1.0
      shape: !!python/tuple
      - 100.0
      - 100.0
```
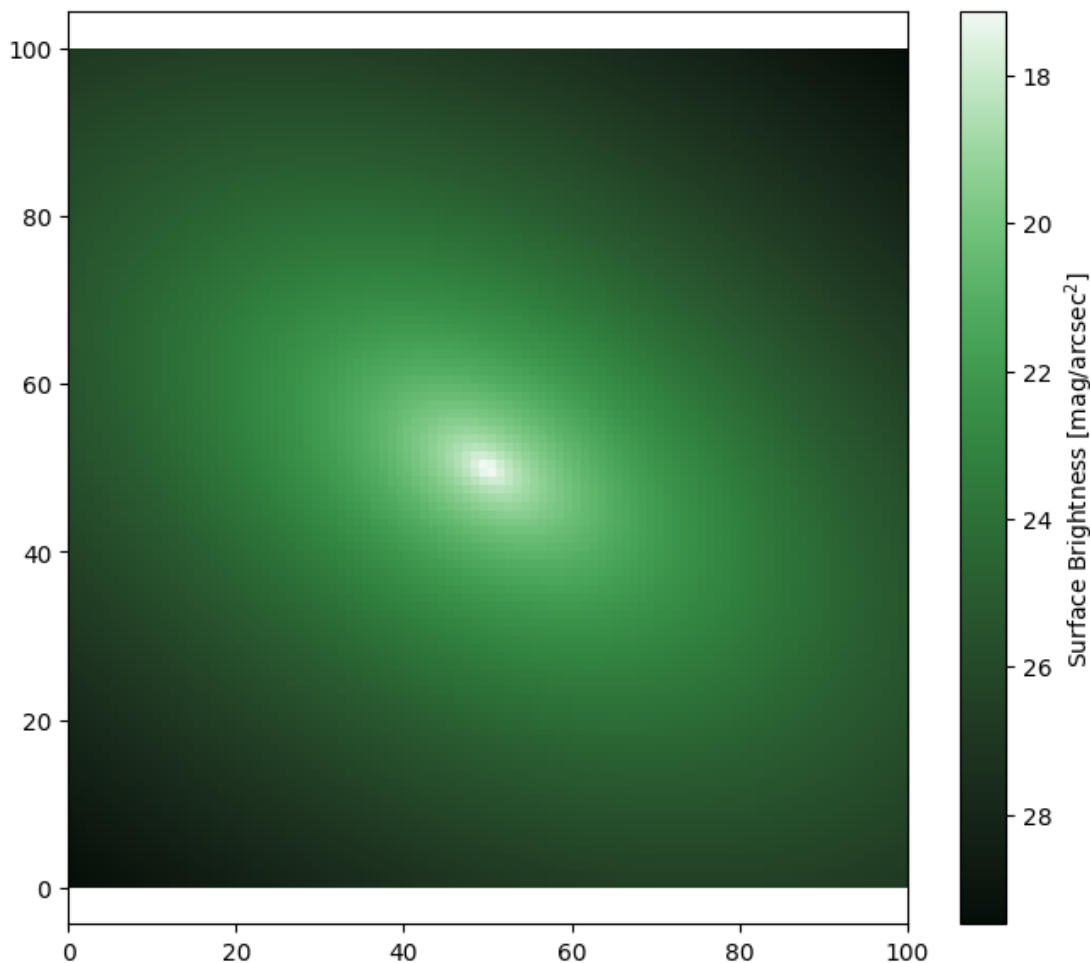
[3]:
```python
# AutoPhot has built in methods to plot relevant information. We didn't specify␣
 ↪the region on the sky for
# this model to focus on, so we just made a 100x100 window. Unless you are very␣
 ↪lucky this wont
# line up with what you're trying to fit, so next we'll see how to give the␣
 ↪model a target.

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,7))
ap.plots.model_image(fig, ax, model1)
plt.show()
```

## 1.2 Giving the model a Target

Typically, the main goal when constructing an AutoPhot model is to fit to an image. We need to give the model access to the image and some information about it to get started.

```
[4]:  # first let's download an image to play with
      hdu = fits.open("https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?ra=36.
      ↪3684&dec=-25.6389&size=700&layer=ls-dr9&pixscale=0.262&bands=r")
      target_data = np.array(hdu[0].data, dtype = np.float64)

      # Create a target object with specified pixelscale and zeropoint
      target = ap.image.Target_Image(
          data = target_data,
          pixelscale = 0.262, # Every target image needs to know it's pixelscale in␣
      ↪arcsec/pixel
          zeropoint = 22.5, # optionally, you can give a zeropoint to tell AutoPhot␣
      ↪what the pixel flux units are
```
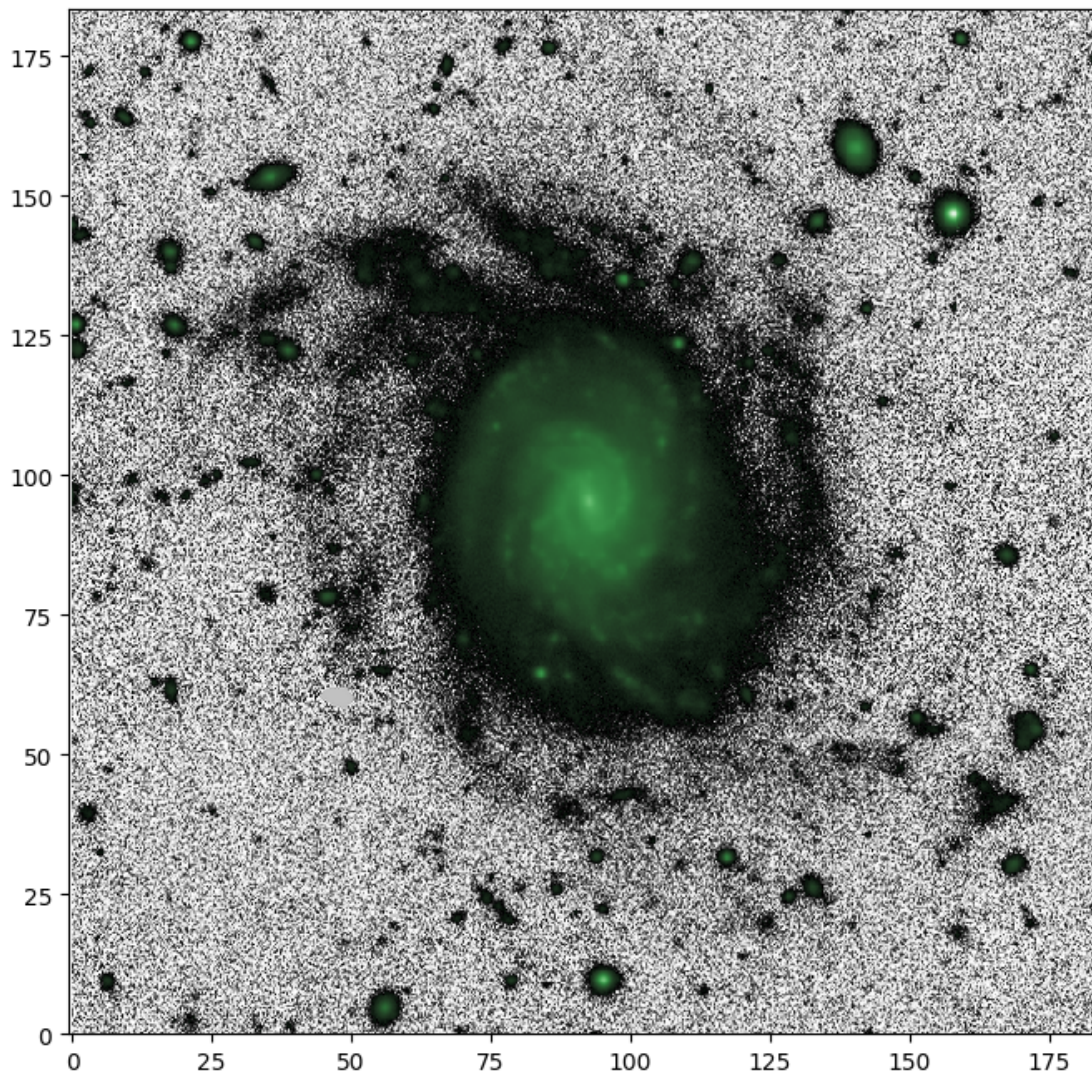
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```
    variance = np.ones(target_data.shape)/1e3, # set the variance for this␣
  ↪image (in general it should be more accurate than this)
)

# The default AutoPhot target plotting method uses log scaling in bright areas␣
  ↪and histogram scaling in faint areas
fig3, ax3 = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
ap.plots.target_image(fig3, ax3, target)
plt.show()
```



```
[5]: # This model now has a target that it will attempt to match
     model2 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
         name = "model with target",
```

```
    model_type = "sersic galaxy model", # feel free to swap out sersic with␣
    ↪other profile types
    target = target, # now the model knows what its trying to match
)

# Instead of giving initial values for all the parameters, it is possible to␣
↪simply call "initialize" and AutoPhot
# will try to guess initial values for every parameter assuming the galaxy is␣
↪roughly centered. It is also possible
# to set just a few parameters and let AutoPhot try to figure out the rest. For␣
↪example you could give it an initial
# Guess for the center and it will work from there.
model2.initialize()

# Plotting the initial parameters and residuals, we see it gets the rough shape␣
↪of the galaxy right, but still has some fitting to do
fig4, ax4 = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize = (16,6))
ap.plots.model_image(fig4, ax4[0], model2)
ap.plots.residual_image(fig4, ax4[1], model2)
plt.show()
```
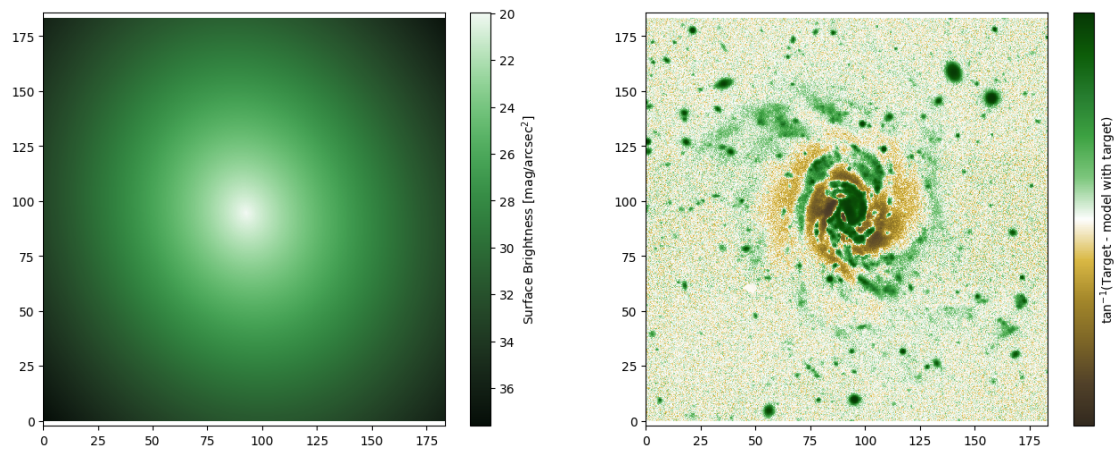


```
[6]: # Now that the model has been set up with a target and initialized with␣
    ↪parameter values, it is time to fit the image
    result = ap.fit.LM(model2, verbose = 1).fit()

    # See that we use ap.fit.LM, this is the Levenberg-Marquardt Chi^2 minimization␣
    ↪method, it is the recommended technique
    # for most least-squares problems. However, there are situations in which␣
    ↪different optimizers may be more desireable
    # so the ap.fit package includes a few options to pick from. The various␣
    ↪fitting methods will be described in a
```

```
# different tutorial.
print("Fit message:",result.message) # the fitter will return a message about␣
 ↪its convergence
```

```
L: 1.0
--------init---------
LM loss: 4.482934591189632
L: 1.0
--------iter---------
LM loss: 4.3409596771229015
accept
L: 0.1111111111111111
--------iter---------
LM loss: 4.321934938720633
accept
L: 0.012345679012345678
--------iter---------
LM loss: 4.313356422848892
accept
L: 0.0013717421124828531
--------iter---------
LM loss: 4.312878409060192
accept
L: 0.00015241579027587256
--------iter---------
LM loss: 4.31287431677242
accept
L: 1.6935087808430286e-05
--------iter---------
LM loss: 4.312874161644703
accept
Fit message: success
```

[7]:
```python
# we now plot the fitted model and the image residuals
fig5, ax5 = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize = (16,6))
ap.plots.model_image(fig5, ax5[0], model2)
ap.plots.residual_image(fig5, ax5[1], model2)
plt.show()
```
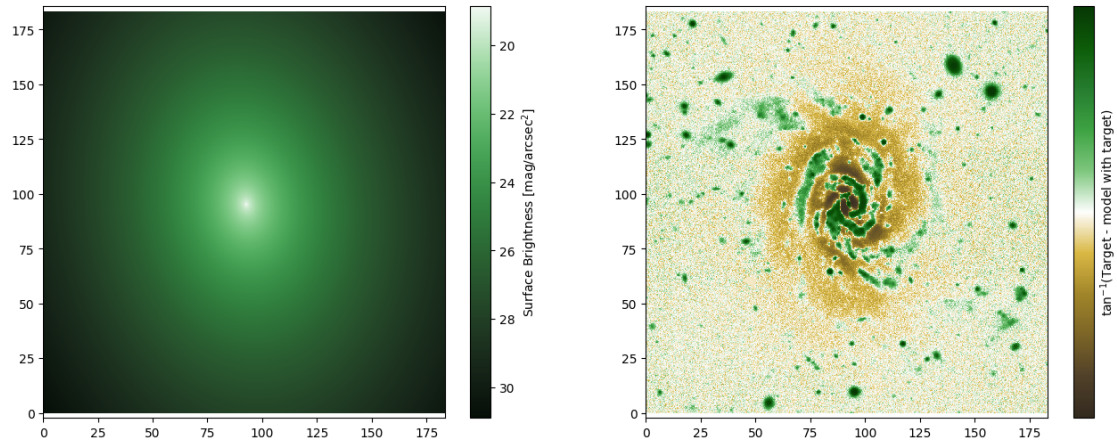
[8]:
```
# Plot surface brightness profile

# we now plot the model profile and a data profile. The model profile is␣
  ↪determined from the model parameters
# the data profile is determined by taking the median of pixel values at a␣
  ↪given radius. Notice that the model
# profile is slightly higher than the data profile? This is because there are␣
  ↪other objects in the image which
# are not being modelled, the data profile uses a median so they are ignored,␣
  ↪but for the model we fit all pixels.
fig10, ax10 = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
ap.plots.galaxy_light_profile(fig10, ax10, model2)
ap.plots.radial_median_profile(fig10, ax10, model2)
plt.show()
```

/home/connor/Programming/AutoPhot/autophot/utils/conversions/units.py:9:
RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in log10
  return -2.5 * np.log10(flux) + zeropoint + 2.5 * np.log10(pixel_area)
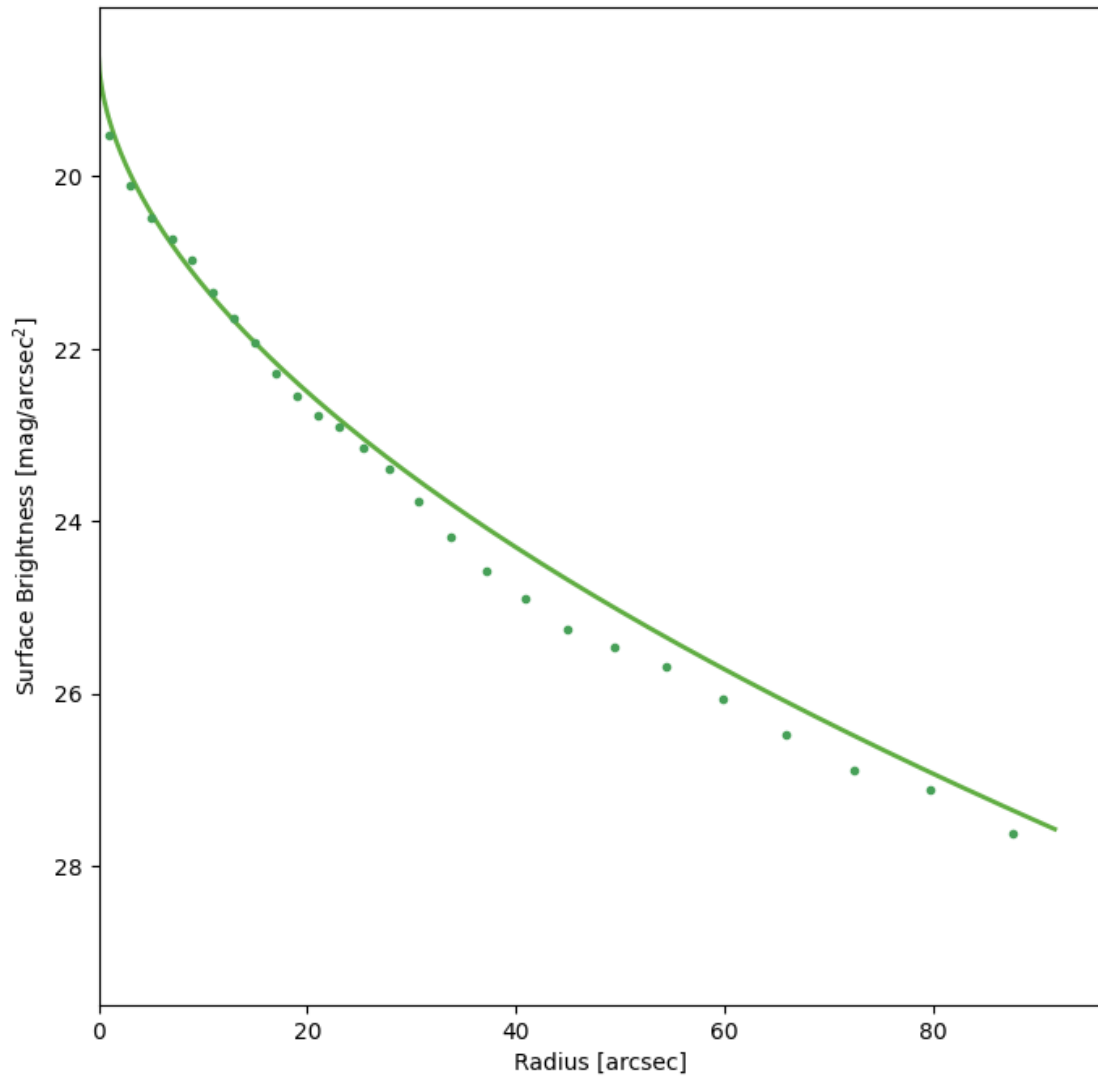
## 1.3 Update uncertainty estimates

After running a fit, the `ap.fit.LM` optimizer can update the uncertainty for each parameter. In fact it can return the full covariance matrix if needed. For a demo of what can be done with the covariance matrix see the `FittingMethods` tutorial. One important note is that the variance image needs to be correct for the uncertainties to be meaningful!

```
[9]: result.update_uncertainty()
     for P in model2.parameters:
         print(f"parameter {P.name} is: {P.value.detach().cpu().tolist()} +- {P.
     ↪uncertainty.detach().cpu().tolist()}")
```

```
parameter center is: [92.75294882338562, 95.2303722410533] +-
[0.008722342022456822, 0.01206037522381067]
```

```
parameter q is: 0.7413378235930557 +- 0.0038655411799567033
parameter PA is: 0.13910966051928483 +- 0.008580655660180576
parameter n is: 1.8403910260860936 +- 0.011882669375553077
parameter Re is: 17.283411269541038 +- 0.14235479767531964
parameter Ie is: 0.12057831644778294 +- 0.005494437273010339
```

Note that these uncertainties are pure statistical uncertainties that come from evaluating the structure of the $\chi^2$ minimum. Systematic uncertainties are not included and these often significantly outweigh the standard errors. As can be seen in the residual plot above, there is certainly plenty of unmodelled structure there. Use caution when interpreting the errors from these fits.

## 1.4 Giving the model a specific target window

Sometimes an object isn't nicely centered in the image, and may not even be the dominant object in the image. It is therefore nice to be able to specify what part of the image we should analyze.

```
[10]:  model3 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
           name = "model with target",
           model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
           target = target,
           window = [[480, 590],[555, 665]], # this is a region in pixel coordinates␣
        ↪((xmin,xmax),(ymin,ymax))
       )

       # We can plot the "model window" to show us what part of the image will be␣
        ↪analyzed by that model
       fig6, ax6 = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
       ap.plots.target_image(fig6, ax6, model3.target)
       ap.plots.model_window(fig6, ax6, model3)
       plt.show()
```
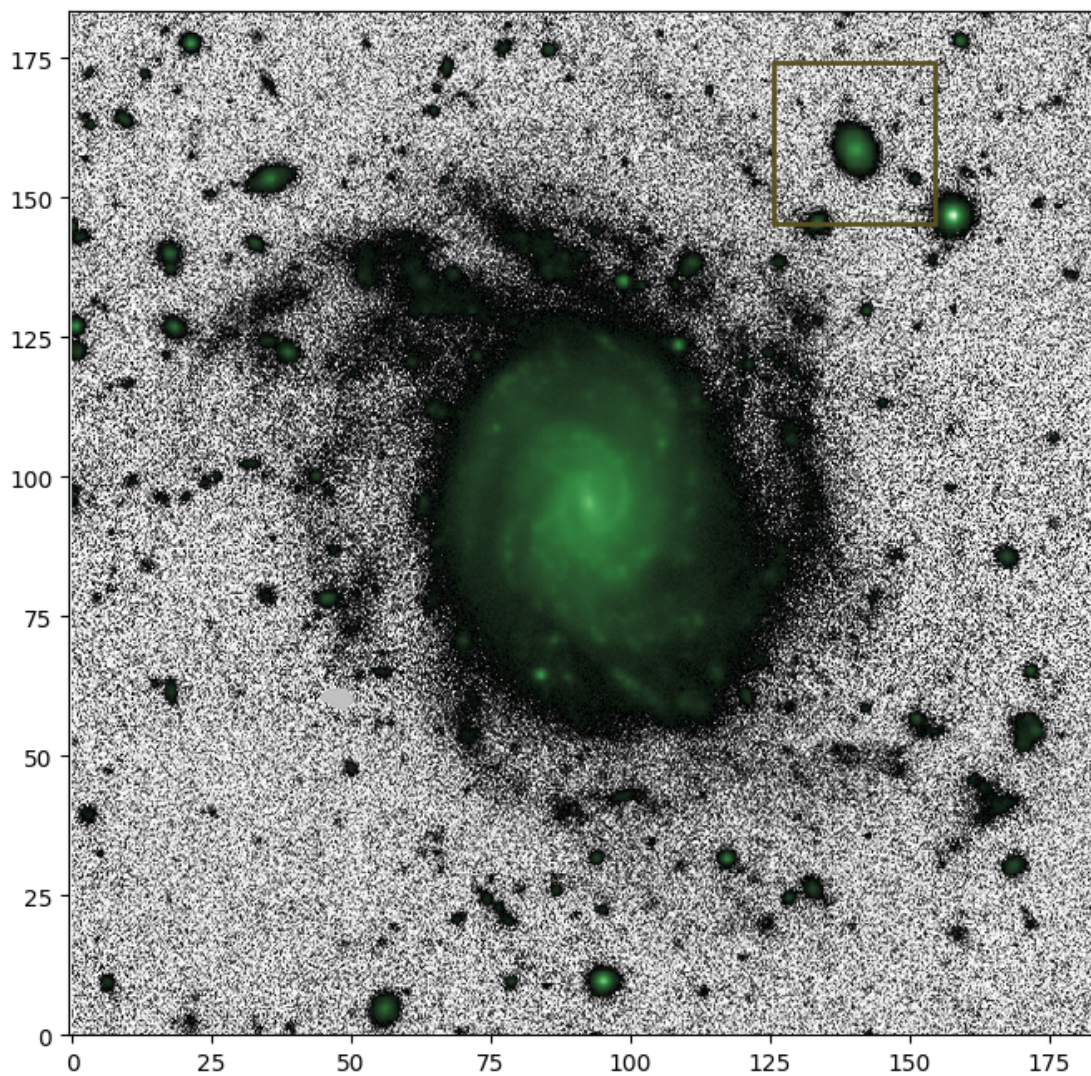
```
model3.initialize()

result = ap.fit.LM(model3, verbose = 1).fit()
print(result.message)
```

[11]:

```
L: 1.0
---------init---------
LM loss: 0.6306541224385466
L: 1.0
---------iter---------
LM loss: 63.53214383882568
reject
L: 11.0
---------iter---------
```

```
LM loss: 0.6184265122898771
accept
L: 1.2222222222222223
--------iter--------
LM loss: 56.43778677576846
reject
L: 13.444444444444446
--------iter--------
LM loss: 0.6107296768820666
accept
L: 1.4938271604938274
--------iter--------
LM loss: 52.12644225833637
reject
L: 16.4320987654321
--------iter--------
LM loss: 0.6058308437510767
accept
L: 1.825788751714678
--------iter--------
LM loss: 44.36199242943892
reject
L: 20.08367626886146
--------iter--------
LM loss: 0.60267798831048
accept
L: 2.231519585429051
--------iter--------
LM loss: 35.801226360484705
reject
L: 24.546715439719563
--------iter--------
LM loss: 0.6006287653811766
accept
L: 2.727412826635507
--------iter--------
LM loss: 28.914318621227487
reject
L: 30.001541092990575
--------iter--------
LM loss: 0.5992857894041235
accept
L: 3.3335045658878415
--------iter--------
LM loss: 2.3218603625167535
reject
L: 36.66855022476626
--------iter--------
```

```
LM loss: 0.5984003928852272
accept
L: 4.074283358307362
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.4401090413355069
accept
L: 0.4526981509230402
---------iter---------
LM loss: 41.174200291801505
reject
L: 4.979679660153442
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.37698446879294734
accept
L: 0.5532977400170491
---------iter---------
LM loss: 37.56169899784103
reject
L: 6.08627514018754
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.34316571490451897
accept
L: 0.6762527933541711
---------iter---------
LM loss: 34.454633679159045
reject
L: 7.438780726895882
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.323308022635141
accept
L: 0.8265311918773202
---------iter---------
LM loss: 26.932917586115824
reject
L: 9.091843110650522
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.31107819524860625
accept
L: 1.010204790072804
---------iter---------
LM loss: 7.3422935278947365
reject
L: 11.112252690795085
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.30332793772604644
accept
L: 1.2346947434216762
---------iter---------
```

```
LM loss: 0.48118630356675496
reject
L: 13.581642177638438
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.29832870759916796
accept
L: 1.5090713530709374
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.07910917812020297
accept
L: 0.16767459478565971
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.05313139725361542
accept
L: 0.018630510531739967
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.04515098227067312
accept
L: 0.0020700567257488853
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.037094676522594475
accept
L: 0.00023000630286098726
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.03701337337622476
accept
L: 2.555625587344303e-05
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.03701205549781555
accept
L: 2.8395839859381145e-06
---------iter---------
LM loss: 0.03701204502128024
accept
success
```

```python
[12]:  # Note that when only a window is fit, the default plotting methods will only
       ↪show that window
       fig7, ax7 = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize = (16,6))
       ap.plots.model_image(fig7, ax7[0], model3)
       ap.plots.residual_image(fig7, ax7[1], model3)
       plt.show()
```
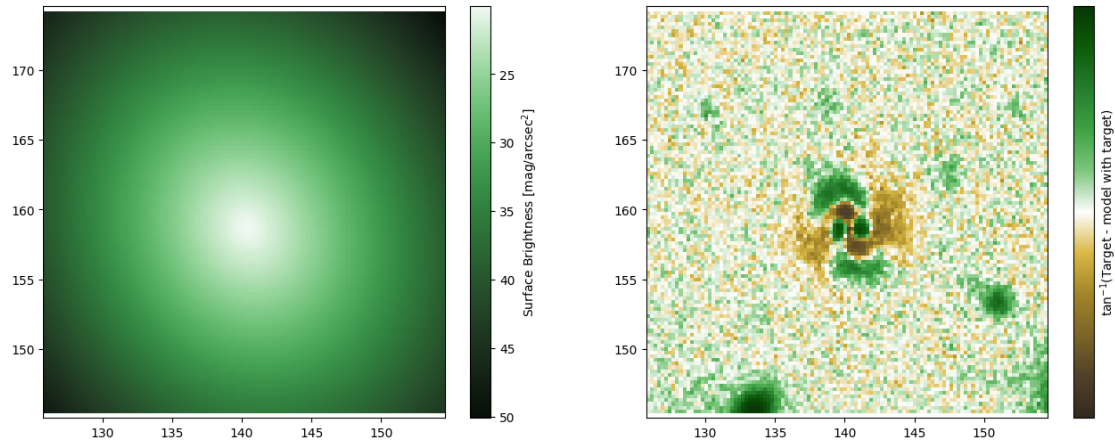
## 1.5 Setting parameter constraints

A common feature of fitting parameters is that they have some constraint on their behaviour and cannot be sampled at any value from (-inf, inf). AutoPhot circumvents this by remapping any constrained parameter to a space where it can take any real value, at least for the sake of fitting. For most parameters these constraints are applied by default; for example the axis ratio q is required to be in the range (0,1). Other parameters, such as the position angle (PA) are cyclic, they can be in the range (0,pi) but also can wrap around. It is possible to manually set these constraints while constructing a model.

In general adding constraints makes fitting more difficult. There is a chance that the fitting process runs up against a constraint boundary and gets stuck. However, sometimes adding constraints is necessary and so the capability is included.

```
[13]:  # here we make a sersic model that can only have q and n in a narrow range
       # Also, we give PA and initial value and lock that so it does not change during␣
        ↪fitting
       constrained_param_model = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
           name = "constrained parameters", model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
           parameters = {
               "q": {"limits": [0.4,0.6]},
               "n": {"limits": [2,3]},
               "PA": {"value": 60*np.pi/180, "locked": True},
           }
       )
```

Aside from constraints on an individual parameter, it is sometimes desireable to have different models share parameter values. For example you may wish to combine multiple simple models into a more complex model (more on that in a different tutorial), and you may wish for them all to have the same center. This can be accomplished with "equality constraints" as shown below.

```
[14]:  # model 1 is a sersic model
       model_1 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
           name = "constrained 1",
           model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
           parameters = {"center": [50,50], "PA": np.pi/4}
       )
       # model 2 is an exponential model
       model_2 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
           name = "constrained 2",
           model_type = "exponential galaxy model",
       )

       # Here we add the constraint for "PA" to be the same for each model.
       # In doing so we provide the model and parameter name which should
       # be connected.
       model_2.add_equality_constraint(model_1, "PA")

       # Here we can see how the two models now both can modify this parameter
       print("initial values: model_1 PA", model_1["PA"].value.item(), "model_2 PA",⌴
        ↪model_2["PA"].value.item())
       # Now we modify the PA for model_1
       model_1["PA"].value = np.pi/3
       print("change model_1: model_1 PA", model_1["PA"].value.item(), "model_2 PA",⌴
        ↪model_2["PA"].value.item())
       # Similarly we modify the PA for model_2
       model_2["PA"].value = np.pi/2
       print("change model_2: model_1 PA", model_1["PA"].value.item(), "model_2 PA",⌴
        ↪model_2["PA"].value.item())
```

```
initial values: model_1 PA 0.7853981633974483 model_2 PA 0.7853981633974483
change model_1: model_1 PA 1.0471975511965976 model_2 PA 1.0471975511965976
change model_2: model_1 PA 1.5707963267948966 model_2 PA 1.5707963267948966
```

```
[15]:  # Keep in mind that both models have full control over the parameter, it is⌴
        ↪listed in both of
       # their "parameter_order" tuples.
       print("model_1 parameters: ", model_1.parameter_order)
       print("model_2 parameters: ", model_2.parameter_order)
```

```
model_1 parameters:  ('center', 'q', 'PA', 'n', 'Re', 'Ie')
model_2 parameters:  ('center', 'q', 'Re', 'Ie', 'PA')
```

## 1.6   PSF convolution

An important part of astronomical image analysis is accounting for PSF effects. To that end, AutoPhot includes a number of approaches to handle PSF convolution. The main concept is that AutoPhot will convolve its model with a PSF before comparing against an image. The PSF behaviour of a model is determined by the *psf_mode* parameter which can be set before fitting.

```python
[16]: # first a psf is needed, this is stored with the target object
      # Here we simply construct a gaussian PSF image that is 31 pixels across
      # Note the PSF must always be odd in its dimensions
      xx, yy = np.meshgrid(np.linspace(-5,5,301), np.linspace(-5,5,301))
      PSF = np.exp(-(xx**2 + yy**2)/0.8**2)
      PSF /= np.sum(PSF)
      target = ap.image.Target_Image(
          data = target_data,
          pixelscale = 0.262,
          zeropoint = 22.5,
          psf = PSF,
      )

      model_nopsf = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
          name = "model without psf",
          model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
          target = target,
          parameters = {"center": [90,90], "q": 0.6, "PA": 60*np.pi/180, "n": 2, "Re":
       ↪ 10, "Ie": 1},
          psf_mode = "none", # no PSF convolution will be done
      )
      model_psf = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
          name = "model with psf",
          model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
          target = target,
          parameters = {"center": [90,90], "q": 0.6, "PA": 60*np.pi/180, "n": 2, "Re":
       ↪ 10, "Ie": 1},
          psf_mode = "full", # now the full window will be PSF convolved
      )

      PSF2 = np.exp(-(xx**2 + yy**2)/0.4**2)
      PSF2[:,148:153] += 0.01
      PSF2[148:153,:] += 0.01
      PSF2 /= np.sum(PSF2)
      model_mask = torch.zeros_like(target.data)
      model_mask[100:150,400:450] = 1
      model_selfpsf = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
          name = "model with self psf",
          model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
          target = target,
          parameters = {"center": [90,90], "q": 0.6, "PA": 60*np.pi/180, "n": 4, "Re":
       ↪ 10, "Ie": 1},
          psf_mode = "full",
          psf = PSF2, # Now this model has its own PSF, instead of using the target␣
      ↪psf
          mask = model_mask, # Now this model has its own mask, *as well as* the␣
      ↪target mask
```

```
)
print("psf mode: ", model_psf.psf_mode)

# With a convolved sersic the center is much more smoothed out
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,3,figsize = (15,4))
ap.plots.model_image(fig, ax[0], model_nopsf)
ax[0].set_title("No PSF convolution")
ap.plots.model_image(fig, ax[1], model_psf)
ax[1].set_title("With PSF convolution")
ap.plots.model_image(fig, ax[2], model_selfpsf)
ax[2].set_title("With model PSF different than target")
plt.show()
# the warning below is just because the model mask values are zero and the plot␣
 ↪is in log scale
```
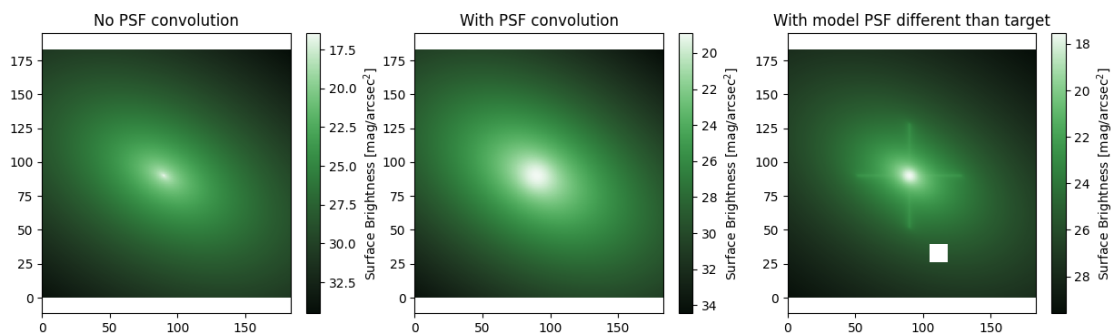
psf mode:  full

/home/connor/Programming/AutoPhot/autophot/utils/conversions/units.py:9:
RuntimeWarning: divide by zero encountered in log10
  return -2.5 * np.log10(flux) + zeropoint + 2.5 * np.log10(pixel_area)



## 1.7  Basic things to do with a model

Now that we know how to create a model and fit it to an image, lets get to know the model a bit
better.

```
[17]: # Save the model to a file

model2.save() # will default to save as AutoPhot.yaml

with open("AutoPhot.yaml", "r") as f:
    print(f.read()) # show what the saved file looks like
```

```
model_type: sersic galaxy model
name: model with target
parameter_order:
```

```
- center
- q
- PA
- n
- Re
- Ie
parameters:
  Ie:
    identity: '139625913738192'
    name: Ie
    uncertainty: 0.005494437273010339
    units: log10(flux/arcsec^2)
    value: 0.12057831644778294
  PA:
    cyclic: true
    identity: '139625914063456'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - 3.141592653589793
    name: PA
    uncertainty: 0.008580655660180576
    units: radians
    value: 0.13910966051928483
  Re:
    identity: '139625913514640'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - null
    name: Re
    uncertainty: 0.14235479767531964
    units: arcsec
    value: 17.283411269541038
  center:
    identity: '139625903158848'
    name: center
    uncertainty:
    - 0.008722342022456822
    - 0.01206037522381067
    units: arcsec
    value:
    - 92.75294882338562
    - 95.2303722410533
  n:
    identity: '139625914062064'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.36
    - 8.0
    name: n
```

```
        uncertainty: 0.011882669375553077
        units: none
        value: 1.8403910260860936
    q:
        identity: '139625903133840'
        limits: !!python/tuple
        - 0.0
        - 1.0
        name: q
        uncertainty: 0.0038655411799567033
        units: b/a
        value: 0.7413378235930557
  window:
    origin: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - 0.0
    projection: !!python/tuple
    - !!python/tuple
      - 1.0
      - 0.0
    - !!python/tuple
      - 0.0
      - 1.0
    shape: !!python/tuple
    - 183.4
    - 183.4
```

[18]:
```python
# load a model from a file

# note that the target still must be specified, only the parameters are saved
model4 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(name = "no name", filename = "AutoPhot.yaml",
  ↪target = target)
print(model4) # can see that it has been constructed with all the same
  ↪parameters as the saved model2.
```

```
model_type: sersic galaxy model
name: model with target
parameter_order:
- center
- q
- PA
- n
- Re
- Ie
parameters:
  Ie:
    identity: '139625913738192'
```

```
  name: Ie
  uncertainty: 0.005494437273010339
  units: log10(flux/arcsec^2)
  value: 0.12057831644778294
PA:
  cyclic: true
  identity: '139625914063456'
  limits: !!python/tuple
  - 0.0
  - 3.141592653589793
  name: PA
  uncertainty: 0.008580655660180576
  units: radians
  value: 0.13910966051928483
Re:
  identity: '139625913514640'
  limits: !!python/tuple
  - 0.0
  - null
  name: Re
  uncertainty: 0.14235479767531964
  units: arcsec
  value: 17.283411269541038
center:
  identity: '139625903158848'
  name: center
  uncertainty:
  - 0.008722342022456822
  - 0.01206037522381067
  units: arcsec
  value:
  - 92.75294882338562
  - 95.2303722410533
n:
  identity: '139625914062064'
  limits: !!python/tuple
  - 0.36
  - 8.0
  name: n
  uncertainty: 0.011882669375553077
  units: none
  value: 1.8403910260860936
q:
  identity: '139625903133840'
  limits: !!python/tuple
  - 0.0
  - 1.0
  name: q
```

```
      uncertainty: 0.0038655411799567033
      units: b/a
      value: 0.7413378235930557
  window:
    origin: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - 0.0
    projection: !!python/tuple
    - !!python/tuple
      - 1.0
      - 0.0
    - !!python/tuple
      - 0.0
      - 1.0
    shape: !!python/tuple
    - 183.4
    - 183.4
```

```python
[19]:  # Save the model image to a file

       model_image_sample = model2()
       model_image_sample.save("model2.fits")

       saved_image_hdu = fits.open("model2.fits")
       fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
       ax.imshow(
           np.log10(saved_image_hdu[0].data),
           origin = "lower",
           cmap = "plasma",
       )
       plt.show()
```
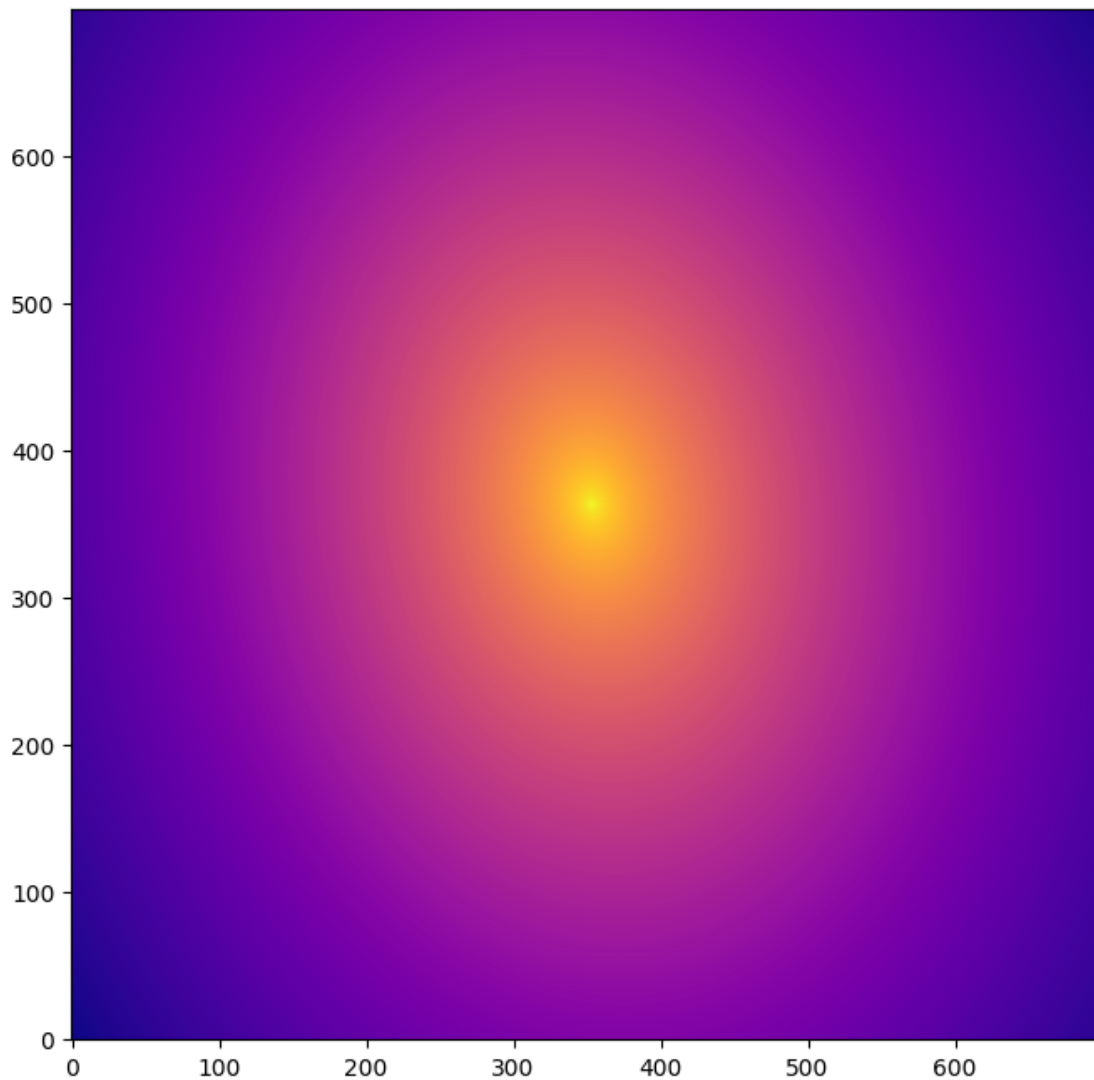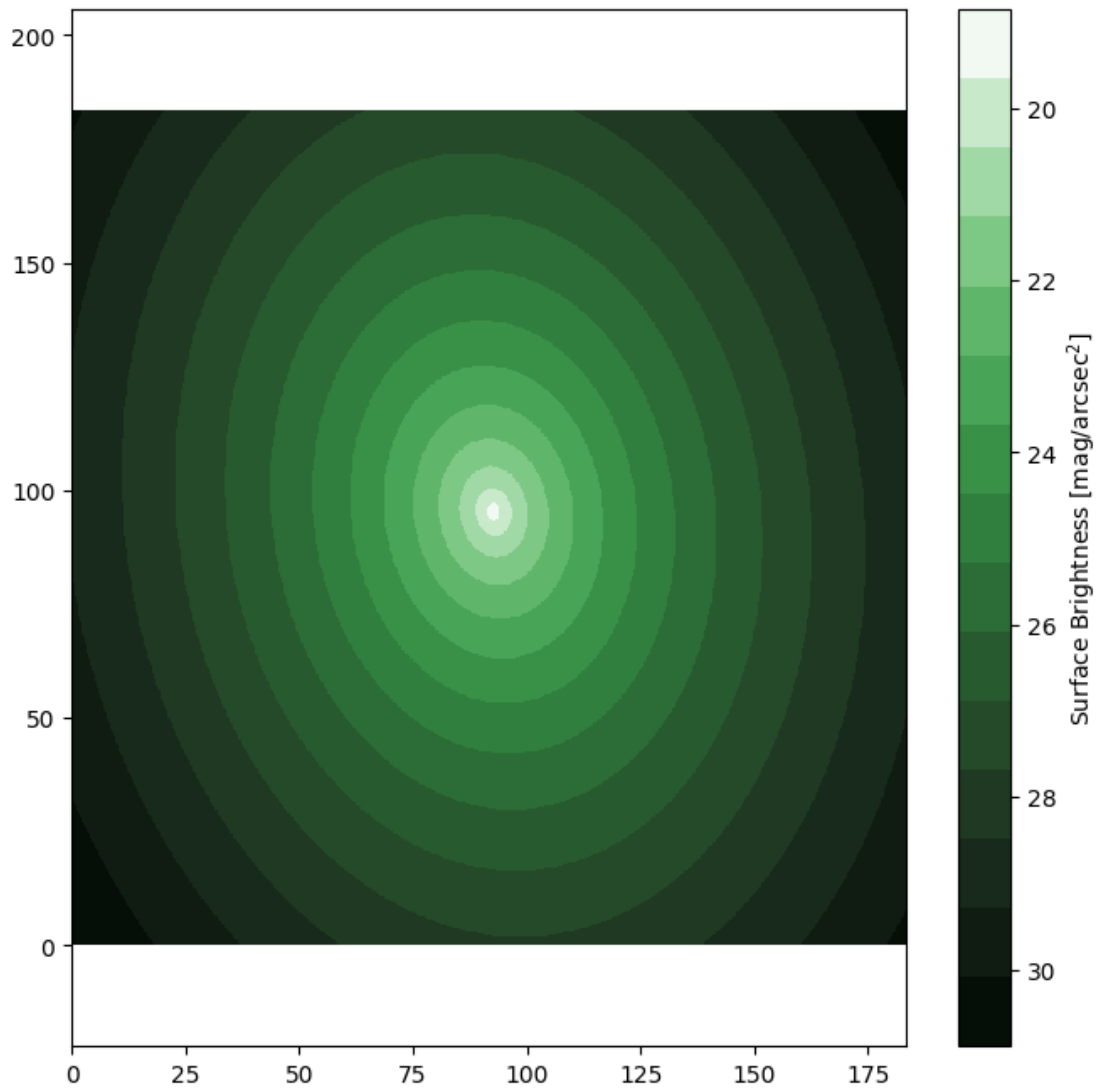
[20]:
```
# Plot model image with discrete levels

# this is very useful for visualizing subtle features and for eyeballing the
 ↪brightness at a given location.
# just add the "cmap_levels" keyword to the model_image call and tell it how
 ↪many levels you want
fig11, ax11 = plt.subplots(figsize = (8, 8))
ap.plots.model_image(fig11, ax11, model2, cmap_levels = 15)
plt.show()
```
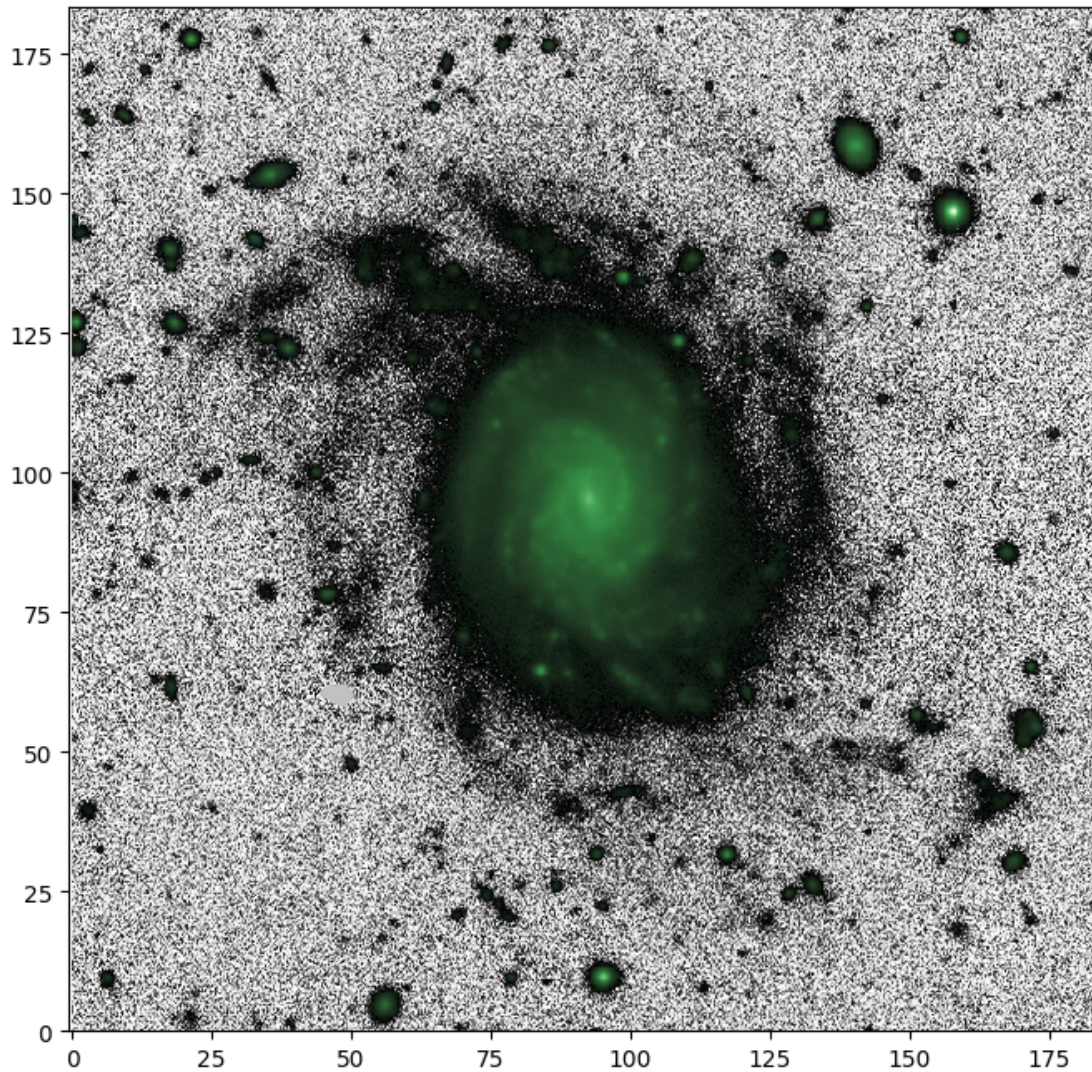
```
[21]: # Save and load a target image

target.save("target.fits")

new_target = ap.image.Target_Image(filename = "target.fits")

fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))
ap.plots.target_image(fig, ax, new_target)
plt.show()
```

[22]:
```python
# Give the model new parameter values manually

print("parameter input order: ", model4.parameter_order) # use this to see what
 ↪order you have to give the parameters as input

# plot the old model
fig9, ax9 = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize = (16,6))
ap.plots.model_image(fig9, ax9[0], model4)
T = ax9[0].set_title("parameters as loaded")

# update and plot the new parameters
new_parameters = torch.tensor([75, 110, 0.4, 20*np.pi/180, 3, 25, 0.12]) # note
 ↪that the center parameter needs two values as input
```

```
model4.initialize() # initialize must be called before optimization, or any
  ↪other activity in which parameters are updated
model4.parameters.set_values(new_parameters) # full_sample will update the
  ↪parameters, then run sample and return the model image
ap.plots.model_image(fig9, ax9[1], model4)
T = ax9[1].set_title("new parameter values")
```

parameter input order:  ('center', 'q', 'PA', 'n', 'Re', 'Ie')
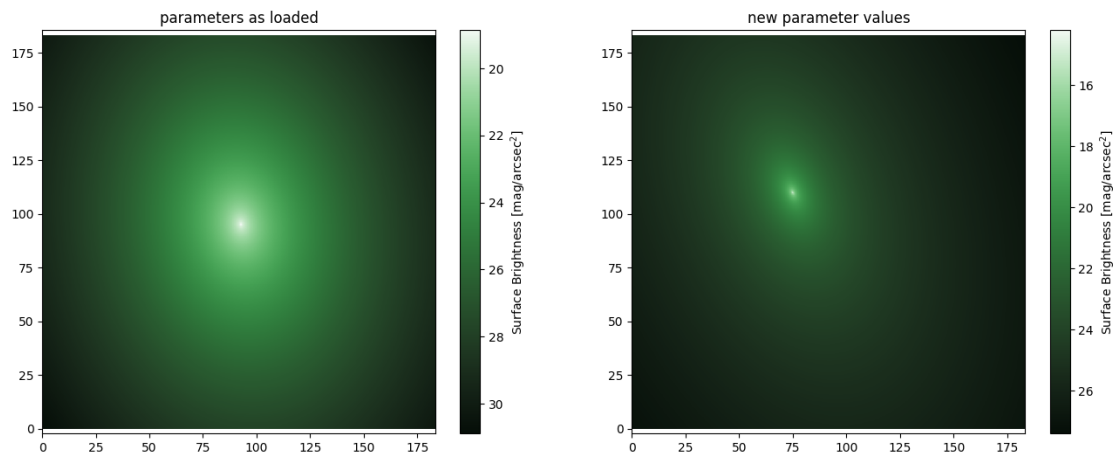


[23]:
```
# Access the model image pixels directly

fig2, ax2 = plt.subplots(figsize = (8,8))

pixels = model4().data.detach().cpu().numpy()# model4.model_image.data is the
  ↪pytorch stored model image pixel values. Calling detach().cpu().numpy() is
  ↪needed to get the data out of pytorch and in a usable form

im = plt.imshow(
    np.log10(pixels), # take log10 for better dynamic range
    origin = "lower",
    cmap = ap.plots.visuals.cmap_grad, # gradient colourmap default for AutoPhot
)
plt.colorbar(im)
plt.show()
```
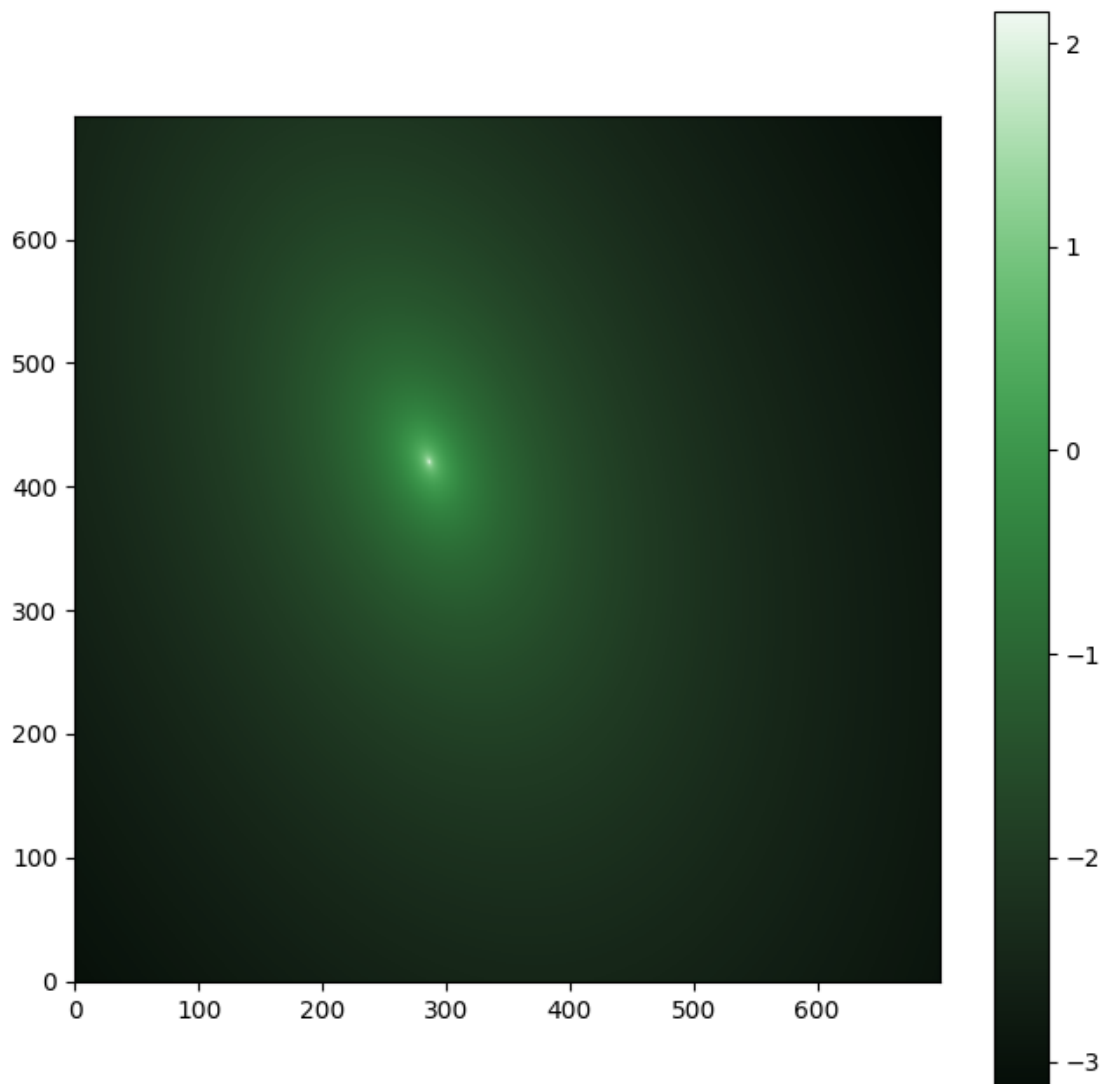
[24]: 
```python
# Models can be constructed by providing model_type, or by creating the desired
 ↪class directly

#                      notice this is no longer "AutoPhot_Model"
model1_v2 = ap.models.Sersic_Galaxy(
    name = "model1 v2",
    parameters = {"center": [50,50], "q": 0.6, "PA": 60*np.pi/180, "n": 2, "Re":
 ↪ 10, "Ie": 1},
    target = ap.image.Target_Image(np.zeros((100,100)), pixelscale = 1),
    psf_mode = "full", # only change is the psf_mode
)
```

```python
# This will be the same as model1, except note that the "psf_mode" keyword is␣
  ↪now tracked since it isn't a default value
print(model1_v2)
```

```
model_type: sersic galaxy model
name: model1 v2
parameter_order:
- center
- q
- PA
- n
- Re
- Ie
parameters:
  Ie:
    identity: '139625800239952'
    name: Ie
    units: log10(flux/arcsec^2)
    value: 1.0
  PA:
    cyclic: true
    identity: '139625800240144'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - 3.141592653589793
    name: PA
    uncertainty: 0.06
    units: radians
    value: 1.0471975511965976
  Re:
    identity: '139625800240720'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - null
    name: Re
    units: arcsec
    value: 10.0
  center:
    identity: '139625800241056'
    name: center
    uncertainty:
    - 0.1
    - 0.1
    units: arcsec
    value:
    - 50.0
    - 50.0
```

```
  n:
    identity: '139625800241008'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.36
    - 8.0
    name: n
    uncertainty: 0.05
    units: none
    value: 2.0
  q:
    identity: '139625800238896'
    limits: !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - 1.0
    name: q
    uncertainty: 0.03
    units: b/a
    value: 0.6
psf_mode: full
window:
  origin: !!python/tuple
  - 0.0
  - 0.0
  projection: !!python/tuple
  - !!python/tuple
    - 1.0
    - 0.0
  - !!python/tuple
    - 0.0
    - 1.0
  shape: !!python/tuple
  - 100.0
  - 100.0
```

[25]:
```python
# List all the available model names

# AutoPhot keeps track of all the subclasses of the AutoPhot_Model object, this
↪list will
# include all models even ones added by the user
print(ap.models.AutoPhot_Model.List_Model_Names(useable = True)) # set useable
↪= None for all models, or useable = False for only base classes
print("-------------------------")
# It is also possible to get all sub models of a specific Type
print("only star models: ", ap.models.Star_Model.List_Model_Names())
```

['isothermal sech2 edgeon model', 'group model', 'sersic star model', 'spline
star model', 'psf star model', 'exponential star model', 'gaussian star model',

```
'nuker star model', 'moffat star model', 'plane sky model', 'flat sky model',
'sersic galaxy model', 'sersic wedge galaxy model', 'spline wedge galaxy model',
'exponential wedge galaxy model', 'gaussian wedge galaxy model', 'nuker wedge
galaxy model', 'spline galaxy model', 'sersic superellipse galaxy model',
'spline superellipse galaxy model', 'exponential superellipse galaxy model',
'gaussian superellipse galaxy model', 'nuker superellipse galaxy model',
'exponential galaxy model', 'gaussian galaxy model', 'sersic warp galaxy model',
'spline warp galaxy model', 'sersic superellipse warp galaxy model', 'spline
superellipse warp galaxy model', 'exponential superellipse warp galaxy model',
'gaussian superellipse warp galaxy model', 'nuker superellipse warp galaxy
model', 'exponential warp galaxy model', 'gaussian warp galaxy model', 'sersic
fourier warp galaxy model', 'spline fourier warp galaxy model', 'exponential
fourier warp galaxy model', 'gaussian fourier warp galaxy model', 'nuker fourier
warp galaxy model', 'nuker warp galaxy model', 'sersic fourier galaxy model',
'spline fourier galaxy model', 'exponential fourier galaxy model', 'gaussian
fourier galaxy model', 'nuker fourier galaxy model', 'nuker galaxy model',
'moffat galaxy model', 'sersic ray galaxy model', 'spline ray galaxy model',
'exponential ray galaxy model', 'gaussian ray galaxy model', 'nuker ray galaxy
model']
----------------------------
only star models:  ['sersic star model', 'spline star model', 'psf star model',
'exponential star model', 'gaussian star model', 'nuker star model', 'moffat
star model']
```

## 1.8  Using GPU acceleration

This one is easy! If you have a cuda enabled GPU available, AutoPhot will just automatically detect it and use that device.

```
[26]:  # check if AutoPhot has detected your GPU
       print(ap.AP_config.ap_device) # most likely this will say "cpu" unless you␣
        ↪already have a cuda GPU,
       # in which case it should say "cuda:0"
```

```
cpu
```

```
[27]:  # If you have a GPU but want to use the cpu for some reason, just set:
       ap.AP_config.ap_device = "cpu"
       # BEFORE creating anything else (models, images, etc.)
```

## 1.9  Boost GPU acceleration with single precision float32

If you are using a GPU you can get significant performance increases in both memory and speed by switching from double precision (the AutoPhot default) to single precision floating point numbers. The trade off is reduced precision, this can cause some unexpected behaviors. For example an optimizer may keep iterating forever if it is trying to optimize down to a precision below what the float32 will track. Typically, numbers with float32 are good down to 6 places and AutoPhot by default only attempts to minimize the Chi^2 to 3 places. However, to ensure the fit is secure to

3 places it often checks what is happenening down at 4 or 5 places. Hence, issues can arise. For the most part you can go ahead with float32 and if you run into a weird bug, try on float64 before looking further.

```
[28]:  # Again do this BEFORE creating anything else
       ap.AP_config.ap_dtype = torch.float32

       # Now new AutoPhot objects will be made with single bit precision
       W1 = ap.image.Window(origin = [0,0], shape = [1,1])
       print("now a single:", W1.origin.dtype)

       # Here we switch back to double precision
       ap.AP_config.ap_dtype = torch.float64
       W2 = ap.image.Window(origin = [0,0], shape = [1,1])
       print("back to double:", W2.origin.dtype)
       print("old window is still single:", W1.origin.dtype)
```

```
now a single: torch.float32
back to double: torch.float64
old window is still single: torch.float32
```

See how the window created as a float32 stays that way? That's really bad to have lying around! Make sure to change the data type before creating anything!

## 1.10   Tracking output

The AutoPhot optimizers, and ocasionally the other AutoPhot objects, will provide status updates about themselves which can be very useful for debugging problems or just keeping tabs on progress. There are a number of use cases for AutoPhot, each having different desired output behaviors. To accomodate all users, AutoPhot implements a general logging system. The object `ap.AP_config.ap_logger` is a logging object which by default writes to AutoPhot.log in the local directory. As the user, you can set that logger to be any logging object you like for arbitrary complexity. Most users will, however, simply want to control the filename, or have it output to screen instead of a file. Below you can see examples of how to do that.

```
[29]:  # note that the log file will be where these tutorial notebooks are in your␣
       ↪filesystem

       # Here we change the settings so AutoPhot only prints to a log file
       ap.AP_config.set_logging_output(stdout = False, filename = "AutoPhot.log")
       ap.AP_config.ap_logger.info("message 1: this should only appear in the AutoPhot␣
       ↪log file")

       # Here we change the settings so AutoPhot only prints to console
       ap.AP_config.set_logging_output(stdout = True, filename = None)
       ap.AP_config.ap_logger.info("message 2: this should only print to the console")

       # Here we change the settings so AutoPhot prints to both, which is the default
```

```python
ap.AP_config.set_logging_output(stdout = True, filename = "AutoPhot.log")
ap.AP_config.ap_logger.info("message 3: this should appear in both the console␣
 ↪and the log file")
```

```
message 2: this should only print to the console
message 3: this should appear in both the console and the log file
```

You can also change the logging level and/or formatter for the stdout and filename options (see `help(ap.AP_config.set_logging_output)` for details). However, at that point you may want to simply make your own logger object and assign it to the `ap.AP_config.ap_logger` variable.

```
[ ]:
```