bias and dark

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1 Processing Science Images

1.1 Bias and Dark: Written by Maria Funcich

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import astropy
import ccdproc
from ccdproc import CCDData, combiner
from astropy import units as u
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.colors import LogNorm
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2 Bias

2.0.1 \star Collecting and Loading the Bias frames

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[2]: # creating image list
images = ccdproc.ImageFileCollection(".")

# filtering the Bias images and adding them to a list 'bias_img'
##print(images.files_filtered(PICTTYPE = 2))
bias_img = (images.files_filtered(PICTTYPE = 2))

# printing list of the bias images
print("List of Bias Images")
for fn in bias_img:
    print(fn)

# reading the bias frames in ADU and defining them into list 'biases'
biases = [CCDData.read(fn, unit = "adu") for fn in bias_img]
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List of Bias Images
Bias_-4.82C_00001658.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001663.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001667.fit
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Bias_-4.82C_00001671.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001672.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001675.fit
Bias -4.82C 00001676.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001677.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001678.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001679.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001681.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001682.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001683.fit
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Bias_-4.82C_00001728.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001729.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001730.fit
Bias_-4.82C_00001731.fit
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2.0.2 * Checking individual Bias Frames

Checking each bias frame in DS9: In terminal: "ds9 -zscale Bias_* &"

- First check is to identify if they are all bias frames. This is true
- All frames appear to have more light coming in from the left side of the image
- Checking through our science images, I can see the same trend occurring therefore the bias frames are useable

Checking the statisitics for the first frame

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[3]: print("Pixel Value (ADU): All Bias Images", "\n", biases, "\n") # prints list_\( \to of pixel values for all the bias images \)

print("Pixel Value (ADU): First Bias Image", "\n", biases[0], "\n") # prints_\( \to the pixel values of the first bias image \)

print("Pixel Value (ADU): First Bias Image, First Column:", "\n", biases[0][: \( \to , 0 \)], "\n") # print the counts of the first column of the first bias image
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Pixel Value (ADU): First Bias Image
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 [135 122 122 ... 105 110 114]
 [142 139 135 ... 114 111 110]
 [133 144 134 ... 105 101 105]
 [135 124 138 ... 105 106 105]]
Pixel Value (ADU): First Bias Image, First Column:
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[134, 133, 120, ..., 112, 107, 106],

Counts in ADU are quite small, not a lot of read out noise coming from the camera (compared to C14). From checking the first image, we can see that the counts are pretty much consistent.

Minimum, Maximum, Mean pixel counts in ADU as well as the Standard deviation

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[4]: #Prints the min(ADU), max(ADU), mean(ADU) and standard deviation for the counts

in the first bias image

print('Min:', np.min(biases[0]))

print('Max:', np.max(biases[0]))

print('Mean:', np.mean(biases[0]))

print('Standard Deviation:', np.std(biases[0]))
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Min: 80 Max: 554

Mean: 112.72491862104319

Standard Deviation: 9.21282954487407

Standard

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[5]: # displaying the first bias image
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (12,7))
plt.rcParams.update({'font.size':14 })

plt.imshow(biases[0], cmap='gray', norm=LogNorm(), vmin = 90, vmax = 140)

plt.xlabel('x-pixels')
plt.ylabel('y-pixels')

plt.title('First Bias Image')
plt.colorbar()
```

[5]: <matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7f1548ffe810>

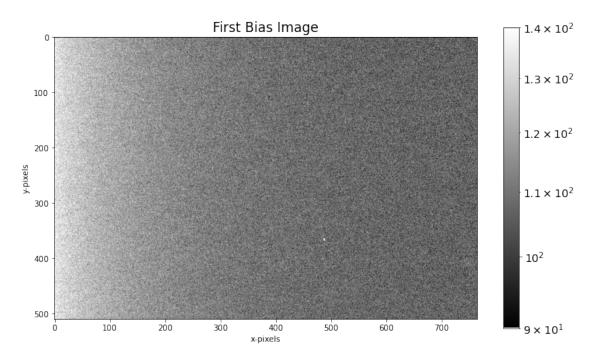


Figure 1. First bias image. The image for the bias is expected, however, there is a bright pixel spot

This appears on all the bias frames being used... This is going to subtract off from the dark, flat and science frames and therefore will affect the counts in that spot. Also notice the brightened left edge as mentioned earlier.

2.0.3 \star Combining the Bias frames

Checking the stats for the combined bias frame

```
[6]: # combines all bias frames together
     bias median = ccdproc.Combiner(biases).median combine()
     # prints bias median counts
     print(bias_median)
     # prints count statistics for the bias median
     print('Min:', np.min(bias_median))
     print('Max:', np.max(bias_median))
     print('Mean:', np.mean(bias_median))
     print('Standard Deviation:', np.std(bias_median))
     # displays the image for the Bias Median
     fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (12,7))
     plt.rcParams.update({'font.size':14 })
     plt.imshow(bias_median, cmap='gray', norm=LogNorm(), vmax=140, vmin
     =90)
     plt.xlabel('x-pixels')
     plt.ylabel('y-pixels')
     plt.title('Bias Median')
     plt.colorbar()
    [[135. 132.5 133.5 ... 103.5 103.5 103.5]
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...
[126.5 130. 130. ... 105. 104.5 104.]
[132. 131.5 129.5 ... 105. 101. 106.5]
[131. 130. 129. ... 105. 105. 104.5]]
Min: 97.0
Max: 542.5
Mean: 109.27966551326413
Standard Deviation: 6.784267733107446
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[6]: <matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7f1548dbdfd0>

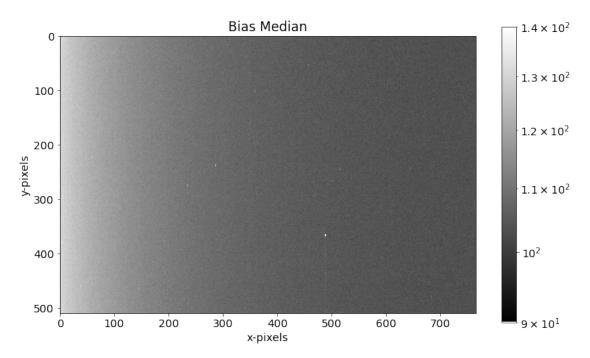


Figure 2. Bias Median. All biases have been combined. The bright pixel spot still remains. Overall, by combining the frames, the standard deviation decreases when compared to one single bias frame (as shown in **Figure 1**).

2.0.4 \star Creating Bias median frame

```
[7]: # header for bias median frame
bias_median.meta.update(EXPTIME = 0) # "add" exposure time "to header"
bias_median.meta.update(TELESCOP = 'C11') # "" telescope ""
bias_median.meta.update(OBJECT = 'Bias_Median') # "" image(object) type ""
print(bias_median.meta)

# creating bias_median.fits file
bias_median.write("bias_median.fits")

# removes the "biases" array
del(biases)
```

OrderedDict([('NCOMBINE', 28), ('EXPTIME', 0), ('TELESCOP', 'C11'), ('OBJECT',
'Bias Median')])

3 Dark

3.0.1 * Collecting and Loading the Dark frames

```
[8]: # creating image list
images = ccdproc.ImageFileCollection(".",glob_include = 'Dark_600*')

print("List of Dark Frames")
for fn in images.files_filtered(PICTTYPE = 3):
    print(fn)

# filter darks, reading the dark frames in ADU and defining them into list_
    'darks'
darks = [CCDData.read(fn, unit = "adu") for fn in images.
    ofiles_filtered(PICTTYPE = 3)]
```

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List of Dark Frames
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002340.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002341.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002342.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002345.fit
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Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002347.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002349.fit
Dark 600.000secs -5.23C 00002351.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002353.fit
Dark 600.000secs -5.23C 00002354.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002355.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002359.fit
Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002360.fit
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Dark_600.000secs_-5.23C_00002380.fit
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3.0.2 * Checking individual Dark Frames

Checking each dark frame in DS9 In terminal: "ds9 -zscale Dark_* &" - First check is to identify if they are all dark frames. This is true - All frames appear to have more light coming in from the left side of the images (this occurred with the bias images as well), dark frames are useable

NOTE the Temperature! Science images and darks should have the same temperature within 0.5 degrees - all Darks have the same temperature and exposure time

```
[9]: # displaying exposure time and temperature of the first dark frame print("Exposure time of Darks: ", darks[0].header['EXPTIME'], "\n", " ☐ →Temperature of CCD: ", darks[0].header['CCD-TEMP'])

Exposure time of Darks: 600.0

Temperature of CCD: -5.23215684598954
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Checking the statisitics for the first frame

```
[10]: print("Pixel Value (ADU): All Dark Images", "\n", darks, "\n") # prints list of [10]
      →pixel values for all the dark frames
      print("Pixel Value (ADU): First Dark Image", "\n", darks[0], "\n") # prints the
       →pixel values of the first dark frames
      print("Pixel Value (ADU): First Dark Image, First Column:", "\n", darks[0][:
      →,0], "\n") # print the counts of the first column of the first dark frames
      # stats for first frame
      print('Min:', np.min(darks[0]))
      print('Max:', np.max(darks[0]))
      print('Mean:', np.mean(darks[0]))
      print('Standard Deviation:', np.std(darks[0]))
      #Displays the image for the first dark image
      fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (12,7))
      plt.rcParams.update({'font.size':14 })
      plt.imshow(darks[1], cmap='gray', norm=LogNorm(), vmin = 95, vmax =172)
      plt.xlabel('x-pixels')
      plt.ylabel('y-pixels')
      plt.title('First Raw Dark Image')
      plt.colorbar()
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Min: 83 Max: 54958

Mean: 125.62277841855696

Standard Deviation: 215.13966165753033

[10]: <matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7f157c625fd0>

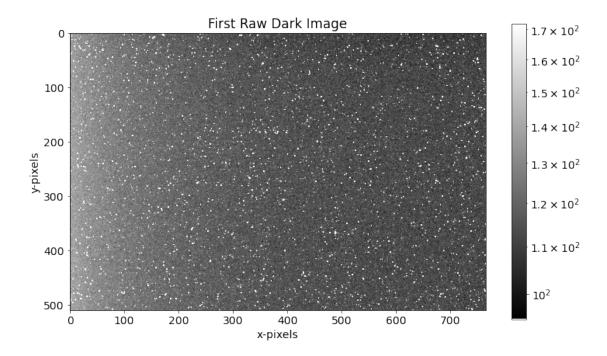


Figure 3. First Raw Dark Image. Minimum value of counts is 83 adu and max is 54958 adu, varius hot pixels can be seen scattered about in the image, this therefore will give a large standard deviation. In this case our std is 215 which is high. This likely means there was a lot of random noise when the exposure was taken.

3.0.3 * Subtracting the Bias from all the individual Dark exposures

```
[11]: # for loop which goes through each of the "darks" images and subtracts the value of the "bias_median"

for idx, thisimage in enumerate(darks):

darks[idx] = ccdproc.subtract_bias(thisimage, bias_median)
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Checking the statisitics for the first bias subtracted dark frame

```
#Displays the image for the first dark frame
fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (12,7))

plt.rcParams.update({'font.size':14 })
plt.imshow(darks[0], cmap='gray', norm=LogNorm(), vmin = 95, vmax =172)
plt.xlabel('x-pixels')
plt.ylabel('y-pixels')
plt.title('First Processed Dark Image')
plt.colorbar()
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Pixel Value (ADU): All Dark Images
[[10. 7.5 11.5 ... 7.5 7.5 16.5]
[19.5 8. 18.5 ... 14. 13. 52.5]
[-0.5 0. 17.5 ... 12. 8.5 22.]
...
[59.5 3. 16. ... 8. 16.5 10.]
[ 2. 7.5 11.5 ... 7. 16. 18.5]
[23. 13. 14. ... 14. 11. 13.5]
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Min: -88.0 Max: 54415.5

Mean: 16.343112905292838

Standard Deviation: 214.62105473397972

[12]: <matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7f154840b110>

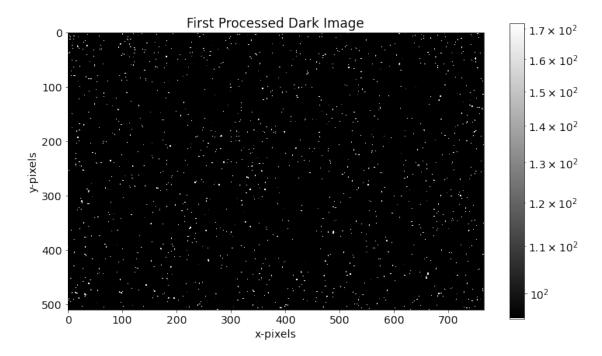


Figure 4. By subtracting the Bias Median from the First Dark, we can see a decrease in pixel count.

Mean count was ~120 ADU, this dropped to ~16 ADU after bias median count was subtracted
off (a decrease in ~ 109 ADU). Hence why the pixels (image) are a lot darker in figure 4 when
compared to figure 3.

Checking if it was successful by printing the stats for all the processed darks

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[13]: print("Pixel Value (ADU): All Processed Dark Images", "\n", darks, "\n") #

→ prints list of pixel values for all the processed dark frames
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Pixel Value (ADU): All Processed Dark Images
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        [-0.5, 0., 17.5, ..., 12., 8.5, 22.],
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        [-10.5, -4., -2.5, ..., -11.]
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                                             4.],
                               6., -2.5,
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                                6., -1., 10.5]]), CCDData([[ 0.,
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[ 14. , 11. , 14. , ..., 21. , 5. , -1.5]])]
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Counts are all pretty much consistent with the first frame - Some are close to 0 counts as expected - The pixels with greater counts in ADU are most likely from the hot pixels and cosmic rays

3.0.4 ★ Combining the processed Dark exposures

```
[14]: # combines the median dark value images together
dark_median = ccdproc.Combiner(darks).median_combine()
```

Checking stats

```
[15]: # Prints out the list (array) of pixel values for the dark median
      print("Pixel Value (ADU): Dark Median", "\n", dark_median, "\n")
      #Prints the statistic counts for dark median (min, max, mean and standard
       \rightarrow deviation)
      print('Min:', np.min(dark median))
      print('Max:', np.max(dark_median))
      print('Mean:', np.mean(dark median))
      print('Standard Deviation:', np.std(dark_median))
      #Displays the image for the dark median image
      fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize = (12,7))
      plt.rcParams.update({'font.size':14 })
      plt.imshow(dark_median, cmap='gray', norm=LogNorm(), vmin = 95, vmax =172)
      plt.xlabel('x-pixels')
      plt.ylabel('y-pixels')
      plt.title('Dark Median ')
      plt.colorbar()
```

```
Pixel Value (ADU): Dark Median
[[ 0.     6.     5.     ...     5.5     5.     8.5]
[ 5.     1.     0.5     ...     3.     4.     39.5]
[ 3.     2.5 -1.     ...     2.5     3.5     3. ]
...
[ 55.5     4.5     7.     ...     6.     7.     5.5]
```

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[ 8. 6. 8.5 ... 6.5 11.5 4.5]
[ 6. 8.5 5. ... 7. 5.5 8.5]]
```

Min: -77.0 Max: 54417.0

Mean: 12.463223119313085

Standard Deviation: 213.09233951134513

[15]: <matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7f1548327d50>

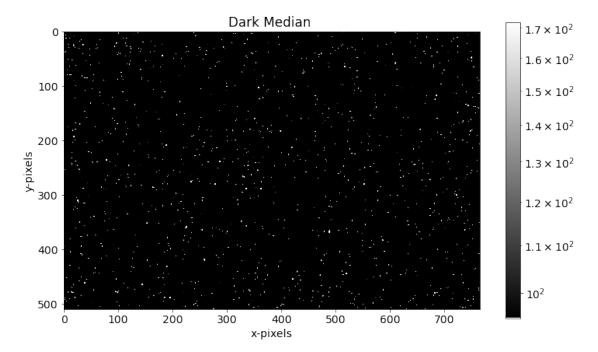


Figure 5. Dark Median. Final image that will subtract the outlying pixels (i.e. hot pixels) from the science images. The counts have fallen ~ 109 ADU.

• Standard deviation did not change much meaning that the added combined images roughly had noise in the same areas.

3.0.5 ★ Creating Dark median frame

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[16]: # header for the Dark Median frame
    dark_median.meta.update(EXPTIME = 600) # exposure time
    dark_median.meta.update(TELESCOP = 'C11') # telescope
    dark_median.meta.update(OBJECT = 'Dark_Median') # image(object) type
    print(dark_median.meta)

# creating dark_median.fits file
    dark_median.write("dark_median.fits")

OrderedDict([('NCOMBINE', 20), ('EXPTIME', 600), ('TELESCOP', 'C11'), ('OBJECT', 'Dark_Median')])

[]:
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