

## Online tools for planetary sciences



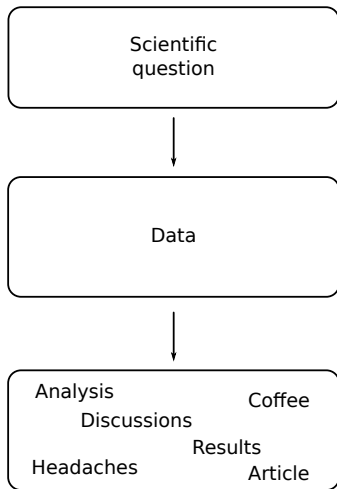
**rocks**

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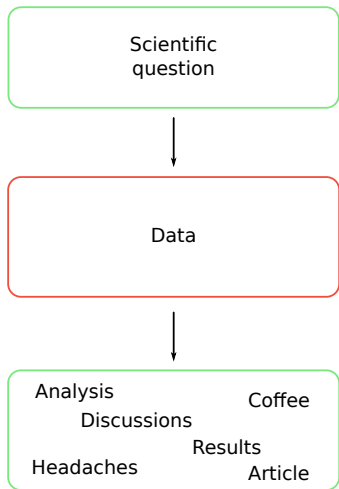
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## Repetitive (and tedious) tasks!

- **Planning and conduction of observations**
  - Observations already exist?
  - Target/sample available? visible?
- **Gathering ancillary data for the analysis**
  - Complementary information diameter, fall/find, ...
  - Context for research another population
- **Repetitive low-level analysis**
  - Spectral classification
  - Cross-matches & merges

# Shared resources save community time

- **Tedious tasks? Share the load!**

- Many agencies have the mission to support the community  
ESO/ESA/NASA, JPL/MPC/IMCCE, ...
- The expertise is in the community → individual initiatives  
SSHADE, Meteoritical Bulletin, SMASS
- ▶ More time for your research

- **Tedious tasks? Automatize them!**

- Click, click, click... copy-paste, click...
- Or code some processes to work for you
- ▶ Virtual Observatory & Community libraries

- **Community services are less prone to errors!**

- One user → one  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -tester, user...
- Many users → bug reports! and community solutions & patches!
- ▶ Robustness of analysis → results

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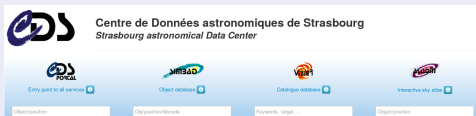
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Answer: CDS, IMCCE Miriade, JPL SSD, MPC, Lowell AstEph



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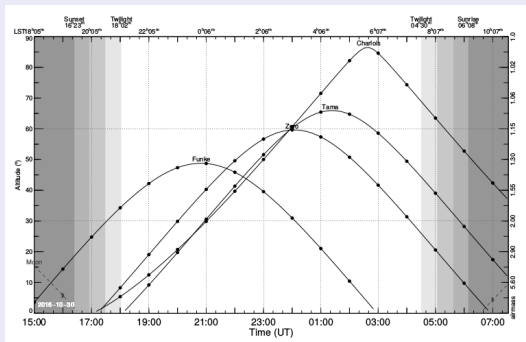
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Answer: IMCCE SsODNet, JPL sbdb, OCA MP3C, Lowell AstInfo, SiMDA

(20607) Vernazza

Type: Asteroid  
Class: MB>Outer  
Parent body: Sun  
Dynamical system: Sun

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[EXPORT](#)

Dynamical parameters ^

Physical parameters v

Absolute magnitude	$H = 13.03^{+0.2}_{-0.2} \text{ mag}$
Diameter	$D = 15.049^{+0.24}_{-0.24} \text{ km}$
Albedo	$p_V = 0.0479^{+0.0089}_{-0.0089}$
Taxonomy	Class = B Complex = B Wavelength range = VIS Scheme = Bus-DeMeo

```
$ rocks diameters groussin
(16280) Groussin
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| | diameter | err_diameter_up | err_diameter_down | method | shortbib |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| 1 | 3.081 | 0.105 | -0.105 | NEATM | Masiero+2011 |
| 2 | 3.19 | 0.84 | -0.84 | NEATM | Masiero+2012 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

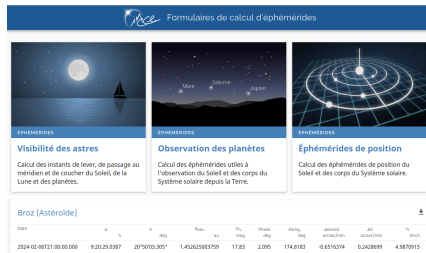
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← → 🔍 <https://github.com/orb/orb>

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## OpenOrb (or OOrb), an open-source orbit-computation package.

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### Introduction

OOrb contains, e.g., the statistical orbital ranging method (hereafter referred to as Ranging). Ranging is used to solve the orbital inverse problem of computing non-Gaussian orbital-element probability density functions (p.d.f.s) based on input astrometry.

Ranging is optimized for cases where the amount of astrometry is scarce or spans a relatively short time span. Ranging-based methods have successfully been applied to a variety of different topics such as rigorous ephemeris prediction, orbital-elements-distribution studies for trans-neptunian objects, the computation of invariant collision probabilities between NEOs and the Earth, detecting linkages between astrometric asteroid observations within an apparition as well as between apparitions, and in the rigorous analysis of the impact of orbital arc-length and/or astrometric uncertainty on the uncertainty of the resulting orbits.

In OOrb, tools for making ephemeris predictions and classification of objects (i.e., NEO-MBO-TNO) are also available.

Documentation on usage and installation is available on the [orb wiki](#).

## sbpy

sbpy is an **Astropy affiliated package** for asteroid and comet researchers.

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Current version: 0.4

### Installation

sbpy is a Python package, installable with pip:

```
pip install sbpy
```

Or with **Anaconda** via the **conda-forge** channel:

```
conda install sbpy --channel=conda-forge
```

[Detailed installation instructions](#)

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## Reddened solar spectrum

sbpy's `sbpy.spectroscopy.SpectralGradient` can be used to redden a solar spectrum, although this approach may be revised with future sbpy capabilities.

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import astropy.units as u
from sbpy.spectroscopy import SpectralGradient
from sbpy.units import hundred_nm
from sbpy.calib import Sun

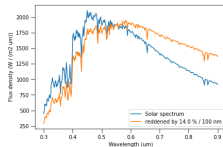
In [2]: sun = Sun.from_builtin('G490_2014LR')
wave = np.linspace(0.3, 0.9, 300) * u.um
fluxd = sun.observe(wave)
S = SpectralGradient(14 * u.percent / hundred_nm, wave@=0.55 * u.um)
print(S)
```

WARNING: Source spectrum is tapered. [synphot.observation]  
 WARNING:astropy:Source spectrum is tapered.  
 14.0 % / 100 nm

`SpectralGradient` works with two-band photometry expressed as magnitudes. To use it for a spectrum, the function `to_color()` must be repeatedly called:

```
In [3]: color_index = u.Quantity([S.to_color(0.55 * u.um, w) for w in wave])
# express in linear units (reflectance)
r = 10**(0.4 * color_index.value)
```

```
In [4]: ax = plt.gca()
ax.plot(wave, fluxd, label='Solar spectrum')
ax.plot(wave, r * fluxd, label='reddened by {}'.format(S))
plt.setp(ax, ylabel='Flux density {}'.format(fluxd.unit),
         xlabel='Wavelength {}'.format(wave.unit))
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



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```
>>> from astroquery.mpc import MPC
>>> result = MPC.query_object('asteroid', number=56788)
>>> result[0]['name'], result[0]['tisserand_jupiter']
('Gullbertleputre', 3.2)
```

# Typical tasks and some solutions

TBD