

Gammapy: A Python package for gamma-ray astronomy

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ABSTRACT

Historically the data as well as analysis software in gamma-ray astronomy is proprietary to the experiments. With the future Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA), which will be operated as an open gamma-ray observatory with public data, there is a corresponding need for open high-level analysis software. In this article we present the first major version v1.0 of Gammapy, a community-developed open-source Python package for gamma-ray astronomy. We present its general design and provide an overview of the analysis methods and features it implements. Starting from event lists and a description of the specific instrument response functions (IRF) stored in open FITS based data formats, Gammapy implements . Thereby it handles the dependency of the IRFs with time, energy as well as position on the sky. It offers a variety of background estimation methods for spectral, spatial and spectro-morphological analysis. Counts, background and IRFs data are bundled in datasets and can be serialised, rebinned and stacked. Gammapy supports to model binned data using Poisson maximum likelihood fitting. It comes with built-in spectral, spatial and temporal models as well as support for custom user models, to model e.g., energy dependent morphology of gamma-ray sources. Multiple datasets can be combined in a joint-likelihood approach to either handle time dependent IRFs, different classes of events or combination of data from multiple instruments. Gammapy also implements methods to estimate flux points, including likelihood profiles per energy bin, light curves as well as flux and significance maps in energy bins. We further describe the general development approach and how Gammapy integrates into ecosystem of other scientific and astronomical Python packages. We also present analysis examples with simulated CTA data and provide results of scientific validation analyses using data of existing instruments such as H.E.S.S. and Fermi-LAT .

Key words. Gamma rays: general - Astronomical instrumentation, methods and techniques - Methods: data analysis

1. Introduction

TODO: Axel and Regis write this...

Gamma-ray astronomy is a rather young field of research. By detecting and reconstructing arrival direction, time and energy of primary cosmic gamma-rays the gamma-ray sky is either observed by ground based instruments, driven by experiments with proprietary software often based on ROOT, because of the particle physics background. Such as HESS, Veritas or Magic.

The Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA) will be operated as an open observatory for the first time. Thus there is a need for open analysis software as well.

Moreover, the operation of CTA as an observatory introduces the necessity of sharing its data publicly. The data-reduction workflow of different IACTs of the current generation is remarkably similar, resulting in a high data level that can be finally used to derive scientific results (, spectra, sky maps, light curves). The information in this high data level is independent on the data reduction, and eventually of the detection technique. This implies, for example, that data from IACT and WCD can be represented within the same model. The efforts to prototype the future CTA data model and to convert current IACT data in a format usable with the newly-available science tools converged in the so-called Data Format for Gamma-ray Astronomy initiative (Deil et al. 2017; Nigro et al. 2021a), abbrevi-

ated in gamma-astro-data-format (GADF). The latter proposes prototypical specifications to produce files based on the flexible image transport system (FITS) format (Pence et al. 2010) encapsulating this high-level information. This is realized by storing a list of gamma-like events with their measured quantities (energy, direction, arrival time) and a parametrisation of the response of the system (see Sec. 3.2 and Sec. 3.3 for more information).

In recent years Python¹ has established as one of the standard programming languages for astronomy² as well as data sciences in general³. The success is mostly attributed to the simple and easy to learn syntax, the ability to act as a "glue" language between different programming languages, the rich eco-system of packages and the open and supportive community.

Astronomical data analysis software written in Python existed since 2000. e.g., sherpa (Refsdal et al. 2011, 2009), or for gamma-ray even PyFACT (Raue & Deil 2012).

The short-term success of Python lead to a proliferation of packages, until Astropy (Astropy Collaboration et al. 2013) was created in 2012. Astropy is and Gammapy is a Python package for gamma-ray astronomy.

TODO: Figure 1: Data -> Gammapy -> Spectra etc with some details

Basic idea: build on Numpy and Astropy, use Python stack

TODO: Figure 2: Gammapy software stack

Here's a list of references I'd like to cite ... to be incorporated into the main text somewhere:

- Gammapy webpage⁴
- Naima⁵ (Zabalza 2015)
- Gammapy use in science publications: (Owen et al. 2015), SNR shell, HGPS

* Gammapy – A Python package for gamma-ray astronomy
 * Gammapy – A prototype for the CTA science tools
 * Astropy: A community Python package for astronomy
 * THE ASTROPY PROJECT: BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE, OPEN-SCIENCE PROJECT AND STATUS OF THE V2.0 CORE PACKAGE
 * GammaLib and ctools
 * Fermipy proceedings
 * SunPy: Python for Solar Physics.
 An implementation for local correlation tracking *

2. Analysis Workflow Overview

The data processing workflow in Gamma-ray astronomy is usually split in two sequences. The first one deals with the data processing from camera measurement, calibration, event reconstruction and selection to yield a list of reconstructed gamma-ray event candidates. This sequence, sometimes referred to as low-level analysis, is usually very specific to a given observation technique and even to a given instrument.

The other sequence, referred to as high-level analysis, deals with the extraction of physical quantities related to gamma-ray sources and the production of high-level products such as spectra, lightcurves and catalogs. The methods and tools applied here are more generic and are broadly

¹ <http://fits.gsfc.nasa.gov/>

² Citation missing

³ Citation missing

⁴ <http://gammapy.org>

⁵ <https://github.com/zblz/naima>

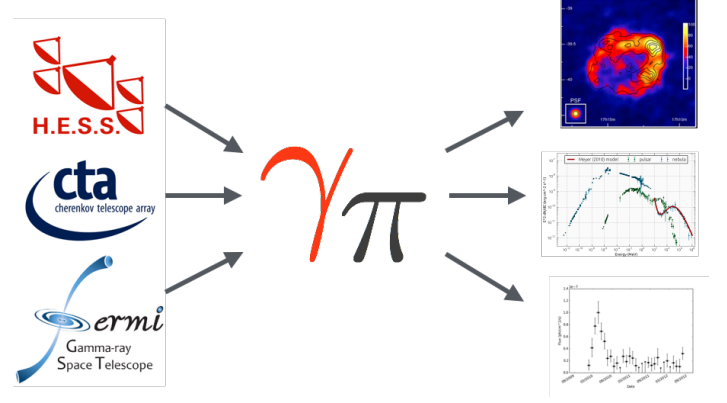


Fig. 1. Gammapy is a Python package for high-level gamma-ray data analysis. Using event lists, exposures and point spread functions as input you can use it to generate science results such as images, spectra, light curves or source catalogs. So far it has been used to simulate and analyse H.E.S.S., CTA and Fermi-LAT data, hopefully it will also be applied to e.g., VERITAS, MAGIC or HAWC data in the future.

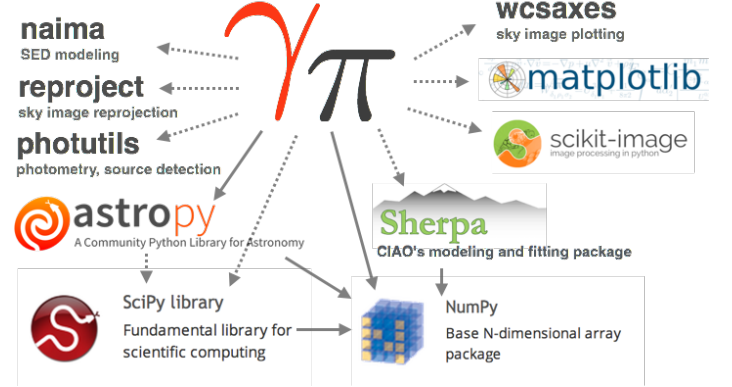


Fig. 2. The Gammapy stack. Required dependencies Numpy and Astropy are illustrated with solid arrows, optional dependencies (the rest) with dashed arrows.

shared across the field. They also frequently imply joint analysis of multi-instrument data. To extract physically relevant information, the measured data are usually compared to a model of the expected gamma-ray emitters in the instrument field-of-view using statistical techniques such as maximum likelihood.

We can write the expected number of detected events at measured position p and energy E :

$$N(p, E)dpdE = t_{\text{obs}} \int_{E_{\text{true}}} \int_{p_{\text{true}}} R(p, E|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}}) \quad (1)$$

$$\times \Phi(p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})dE_{\text{true}}dp_{\text{true}} \quad (2)$$

where

- $R(p, E|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$ is the instrument response
- $\Phi(p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$ is the sky flux model
- t_{obs} is the observation time

A common assumption is that the instrument response can be simplified as the product of three independent functions:

$$R(p, E|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}}) = A_{\text{eff}}(p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}}) \times \quad (3)$$

$$PSF(p|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}}) \times \quad (4)$$

$$E_{\text{disp}}(E|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}}) \quad (5)$$

where:

- $A_{\text{eff}}(p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$ is the effective collection area of the detector. It is the product of the detector collection area times its detection efficiency at true energy E_{true} and position p_{true} .
- $PSF(p|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$ is the point spread function. It gives the probability of measuring a direction p when the true direction is p_{true} and the true energy is E_{true} . Gamma-ray instruments consider the probability density of the angular separation between true and reconstructed directions $\delta p = p_{\text{true}} - p$, i.e. $PSF(\delta p|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$.
- $E_{\text{disp}}(E|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$ is the energy dispersion. It gives the probability to reconstruct the photon at energy E when the true energy is E_{true} and the true position p_{true} . Gamma-ray instruments consider the probability density of the migration $\mu = \frac{E}{E_{\text{true}}}$, i.e. $E_{\text{disp}}(\mu|p_{\text{true}}, E_{\text{true}})$.

Gamma-ray data at the Data Level 3 therefore consists in lists of gamma-like events and their corresponding instrument response functions (IRFs). The latter include the aforementioned effective area, point spread function (PSF), energy dispersion and residual hadronic background. The handling of DL3 data is performed by classes and methods in the `gammapy.data` (see 3.2) and the `gammapy.irf` (see 3.3) subpackages.

The first step in the analysis is the selection and extraction of observations based of their meta data including information such as pointing direction, observation time and observation conditions.

The next step of the analysis is the data reduction where all observation events and instrument responses are projected onto a user-defined geometry. A typical geometry consists in a spectral representation with a measured energy axis, and in a spatial representation, either a coordinates system with a projection (for 3-dimensional or cube analysis) or a region on the sky (for regular spectral analysis). The `gammapy.maps` subpackage provides general multidimensional geometry objects (`Geom`) and the associated data structures (`Maps`), see 3.4.

All observation events and instrument responses are projected onto the user defined geometry. Because residual hadronic background models can be subject to significant uncertainties, background correction must be applied, such as the ring or the field-of-view background techniques or background measurements must be performed within, e.g. reflected regions (Berge et al. 2007). Parts of the data with high associated IRF systematics must also be excluded by defining a "safe" data range. These data reduction steps are performed by classes and functions implemented in the `gammapy.makers` subpackage (see 3.5).

The counts data and the reduced IRFs in the form of maps are bundled into dataset objects that represent the data level 4 (DL4). They can be written to disk, in a format specific to Gammapy to allow users to read them back at any time later for modeling and fitting.

This latter step datasets classes bundle reduced data in form of maps, reduced IRFs, models and fit statistics. Different sub-classes support different analysis methods and

fit statistics (e.g. Poisson statistics with known background or with OFF background measurements). The datasets are used to perform joint-likelihood fitting allowing to combine different measurements, e.g. from different observations but also from different instruments or event classes. They can also be used for binned simulation as well as event sampling to simulate DL3 events data.

The next step is then typically to model and fit the datasets, either individually, or in a joint likelihood analysis. For this purpose Gammapy provides a uniform interface to multiple fitting backends. It also provides a variety of :ref:'built in models <model-gallery>'. This includes spectral, spatial and temporal model classes to describe the gamma-ray emission in the sky. Where spectral models can be simple analytical models or more complex ones from radiation mechanisms of accelerated particle populations (e.g. inverse Compton or π^0 decay). Independently or subsequently to the global modelling, the data can be re-grouped to compute flux points, light curves and flux as well as significance maps in energy bands.

3. Gammapy package

The Gammapy package is structured into multiple sub-packages which mostly follow the stages in the data reduction workflow.

3.1. Overview

Outline: * List typical analysis use cases * Can use from Python and Jupyter -> show Figure with Jupyter notebook here. * Gammapy code structure * How Numpy and Astropy is used

Figures: * Add a Figure showing dataflow in a typical application DL3 at the top, spectrum, map, lightcurve, fit results at the bottom. Mention major classes in between (`DataStore`, `EventList`, `Map`, `MapMaker`, `MapFit`, ...) * Probably not: Figure showing sub-packages and how they relate (`gammapy.data` and `gammapy.irf` at the base, then `gammapy.maps`, etc. * The code example Figure how to make a counts map, to explain how the package works.

TODO: How to sort the sub-packages? After data flow or alphabetically? What about maps?

3.2. `gammapy.data`

TODO: Cosimo Nigro

As illustrated in Fig. 3, the `gammapy.data` sub-package implements the lowest data level, providing the input interface to gamma-ray data. The Gammapy data model follows the GADF specifications (Sec. 1), therefore gamma-ray data compliant with those can be directly read with the package. Version X.X of the GADF specification is supported in this release version. As both the GADF data model and Gammapy were initially conceived for IACT data analysis, input data are typically grouped in Observations, corresponding to stable periods of data acquisitions (typically 20 – 30 min). A `DataStore` object, gathering a collection of observations, can be created providing ancillary files containing information about the telescope observation mode and the content of the data unit of each file. The `DataStore` allows for selecting a list of observations based on specific filters. As an illustrative example, Fig. 4

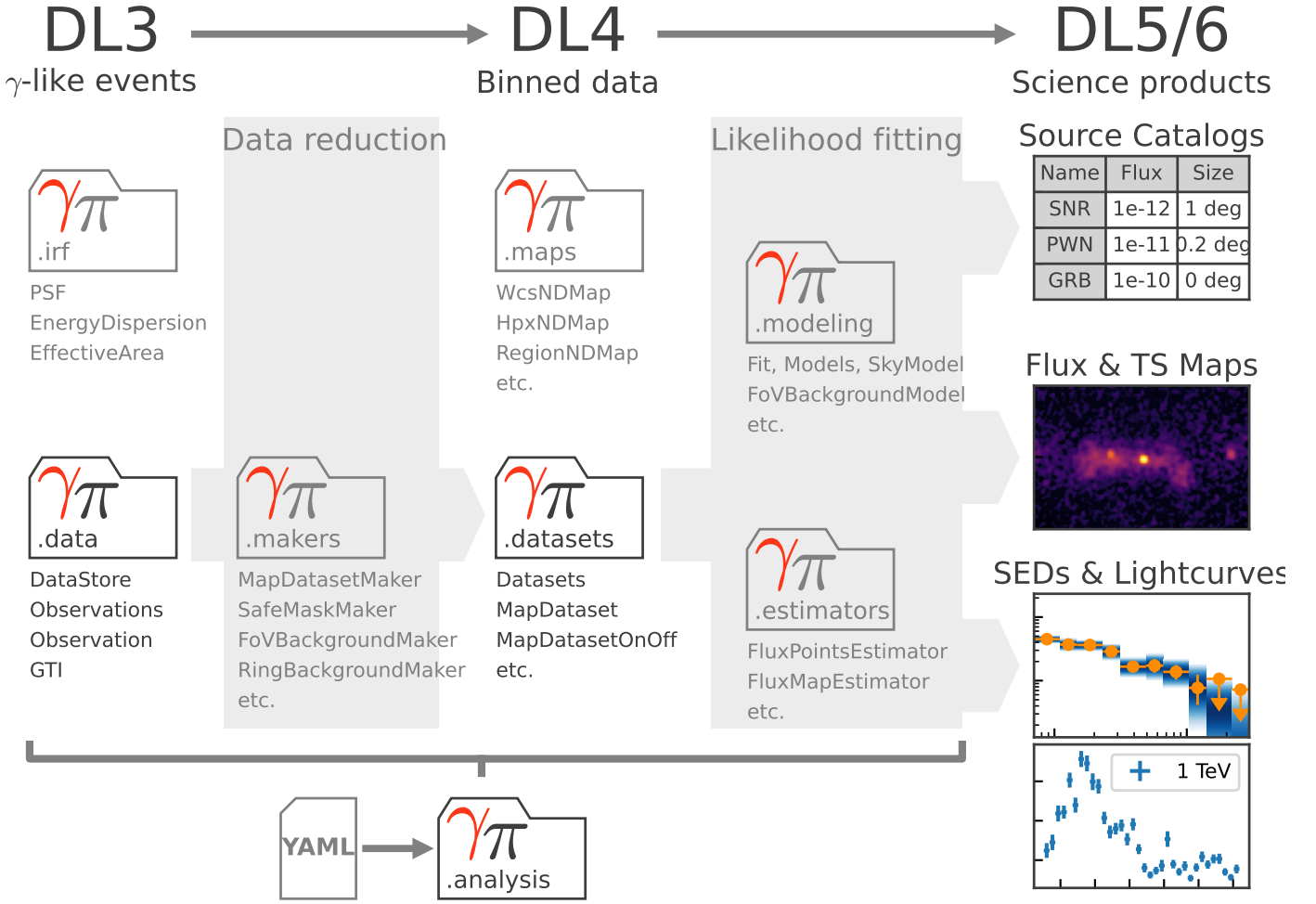


Fig. 3. Gammapy sub-package structure and data analysis workflow.

shows how to create a datastore and how to obtain the observations corresponding to given identification numbers (IDs).

The so-called DL3 files represented by the `Observation` class consist of two types of elements: a list of gamma-ray events with relevant physical quantities for the successive analysis (estimated energy, direction and arrival times) that is handled by the `EventList` class and an instrument response function (IRF), providing the response of the system, typically factorised in independent components (see the description in Sec. 3.3). The separate handling of event lists and IRFs additionally allows for data from other gamma-ray instruments to be read. For example, to read Fermi-LAT data, the user can read separately their event list (already compliant with the GADF specifications) and then find the appropriate IRF class representing the response functions provided by Fermi-LAT, see Sec. ??.

3.3. `gammapy.irf`

TODO: Fabio Pintore IRF classes

```
from gammapy.data import DataStore

data_store = DataStore.from_dir("$GAMMAPY_DATA")
obs_ids = [1, 2, 3]
observations = data_store.get_observations(obs_ids)
```

Fig. 4. Using `gammapy.data` to access DL3 level data with a `DataStore`

3.4. `gammapy.maps`

TODO: Laura Olivera-Nieto The `gammapy.maps` sub-package provides classes for representing data structures associated with a set of coordinates or a region on a sphere. In addition it allows to handle an arbitrary number of non-spatial data dimensions, such as time or energy. It is organized around three types of structures: geometries, sky-maps and map axes, which inherit from the base classes `Geom`, `Map` and `MapAxis` respectively.

The geometry defines the pixelization scheme and map boundaries. It also provides methods to transform between sky and pixel coordinates. Maps consist of a geometry instance together with a data array containing the corresponding map values. Map axes contain a sequence of ordered values which define bins on a given dimension, spatial

or not. Map axes can have physical units attached to them, as well as non-linear step sizes.

The sub-package provides a uniform API for the FITS World Coordinate System (WCS) (Calabretta & Greisen 2002), the HEALPix pixelization (Górski et al. 2005) and region-based data structures.

- WCS: The FITS WCS pixelization supports a different number of projections to represent celestial spherical coordinates in a regular rectangular grid. Gammapy provides full support to data structures using this pixelization scheme.
- HEALPix: This pixelization provides a subdivision of a sphere in which each pixel covers the same surface area as every other pixel. As a consequence, however, pixel shapes are no longer rectangular, or regular. Gammapy provides limited support to HEALPix-based maps, relying in some cases on projections to a local WCS grid.
- Region geometries: In this case, instead of a fine spatial grid dividing a rectangular sky region, the spatial dimension is reduced to a single bin with an arbitrary shape, describing a region in the sky with that same shape. Typically they are used together with a non-spatial dimension, for example an energy axis, to represent how a quantity varies in that dimension inside the corresponding region.

Additionally, the MapAxis class provides a uniform API for axes representing bins on any physical quantity, such as energy or angular offset. The special case of time is covered by the dedicated TimeMapAxis, which allows time bins to be non-contiguous, as it is often the case with observation time-stamps. The generic class LabelMapAxis allows the creation of axes for non-numeric entries.

3.5. gammapy.makers

TODO: Regis Terrier

The data reduction contains all tasks required to process and prepare data at the DL3 level for modeling and fitting. The gammapy.makers sub-package contains the various classes and functions required to do so. First, events are binned and IRFs are interpolated and projected onto the chosen analysis geometry. This produces counts, exposure, background, psf and energy dispersion maps. The MapDatasetMaker and SpectrumDatasetMaker are responsible for this task, see Fig 6.

Because the background models suffer from strong uncertainties it is required to correct them from the data themselves. Several techniques are commonly used in gamma-ray astronomy such as field-of-view background normalization or background measurement in reflected regions, see Berge et al. (2007). Specific Makers such as the FoVBackgroundMaker or the ReflectedRegionsBackgroundMaker are in charge of this step.

Finally, to limit other sources of systematic uncertainties, a data validity domain is determined by the SafeMaskMaker. It can be used to limit the extent of the field of view used or to limit the energy range to e.g., a domain where the energy reconstruction bias is below a given value.

3.6. gammapy.datasets

TODO: Atreyee Sinha

```

from gammapy.maps import Map, MapAxis
from astropy.coordinates import SkyCoord
from astropy import units as u

skydir = SkyCoord("0d", "5d", frame="galactic")
energy_axis = MapAxis.from_bounds(lo_bnd=0.1, hi_bnd=100,
                                   nbin=5, unit='TeV', interp='log', name='energy')

# Create a WCS Map
m_wcs = Map.create(
    binsz=0.1,
    map_type="wcs",
    skydir=skydir,
    width=[10.0, 8.0] * u.deg,
    axes = [energy_axis])

# Create a HEALPix Map
m_hpx = Map.create(
    binsz=0.1,
    map_type="hpx",
    skydir=skydir,
    width=10.0 * u.deg,
    axes = [energy_axis])

# Create a region map
region = "galactic;circle(0, 5, 1)"
m_region = Map.create(
    region = region,
    map_type='region',
    axes = [energy_axis])

```

Fig. 5. Using gammapy.maps to create a WCS, a HEALPix and a region map. Note the uniform API for map creation.

```

from gammapy.makers import MapDatasetMaker, FoVBackgroundMaker

maker = MapDatasetMaker()
bkg_maker = FoVBackgroundMaker()
mask_maker = SafeMaskMaker()

dataset = maker.run(dataset, observation)
dataset = mask_maker.run(dataset, observation)
dataset = bkg_maker.run(dataset, observation)

```

Fig. 6. Using gammapy.makers to reduce DL3 level data into a Dataset.

The end product of the data reduction process described in Section 3.5 are a set of binned counts, background and IRF maps, at the DL4 level. The gammapy.datasets sub-package contains classes to bundle together binned data along with associated models and the likelihood, which provides an interface to the Fit class (Sec 3.7) for modeling and fitting purposes. Depending upon the type of analysis and the associated statistics, different types of Datasets are supported. MapDataset is used for 3D (spectral and morphological) fitting, and a 1D spectral fitting is done using SpectrumDataset. While the default statistics for both of these is Cash, their corresponding OnOff versions are adapted for the case where the background is measured from real off counts, and support wstat statistics. The pre-

```

1 from gammapy.datasets import MapDataset, FluxPointsDataset, Datasets
2                               SkyModel,
3                               PowerLawSpectralModel,
4                               PointSpatialModel,
5                               PointSpectralModel
6 dataset1 = MapDataset.read(
7     "$GAMMAPY_DATA/cta-1dc-gc/cta-1dc-gc.fits.gz", name="cta-1dc-gc",
8 )
9 dataset2 = FluxPointsDataset.read(
10    "$GAMMAPY_DATA/tests/spectrum/flux_points/diff_flux_points.fits",
11    name="fluxpoints_dataset",
12 )
13 datasets = Datasets([dataset1, dataset2])
14 print(datasets)
15
16 model = SkyModel(
17     spectral_model=PowerLawSpectralModel(),
18     spatial_model=PointSpatialModel(),
19     name="my-model",
20 )

```

Fig. 7. A Datasets container with FluxPointsDataset and MapDataset

dicted counts are computed by convolution of the models with the associate IRFs. Fitting of precomputed flux points is enabled through FluxPointsDatasets, using chi2 statistics. Multiple datasets of same or different types can be bundled together in Datasets (e.g., Figure 7), where the likelihood from each constituent member is added, thus facilitating joint fitting across different observations, and even different instruments across different wavelengths. Datasets also provide functionalities for manipulating reduced data, eg: stacking, sub-grouping, plotting, etc. Users can also create their customized datasets for implementing modified likelihood methods.

3.7. gammapy.modeling

TODO: Quentin Remy

gammapy.modeling contains all the functionality related to modeling and fitting data. This includes spectral, spatial and temporal model classes, as well as the fit and parameter API.

3.7.1. Models

The models are grouped into the following categories:

- SpectralModel: models to describe spectral shapes of sources
- SpatialModel: models to describe spatial shapes (morphologies) of sources
- TemporalModel: models to describe temporal flux evolution of sources, such as light and phase curves

The models follow a naming scheme which contains the category as a suffix to the class name.

The Spectral Models include a special class of Normed models, which have a dimension-less normalisation. These spectral models feature a norm parameter instead of amplitude and are named using the NormSpectralModel suffix. They must be used along with another spectral model, as a multiplicative correction factor according to their spectral shape. They can be typically used for adjusting template based models, or adding a EBL correction to some analytic model. The analytic Spatial models are all normalized such as they integrate to unity over the sky but the template Spatial models may not, so in that special case they have to be combined with a NormSpectralModel.

The SkyModel is a factorised model that combine the spectral, spatial and temporal model components (by default the spatial and temporal components are optional).

Fig. 8. Using gammapy.modeling.models

SkyModel objects represents additive emission components, usually sources or diffuse emission, although a single source can also be modeled by multiple components. To handle list of multiple SkyModel components, Gammapy has a Models class.

The model gallery provides a visual overview of the available models in Gammapy. Most of the analytic models commonly used in gamma-ray astronomy are built-in. We also offer a wrapper to radiative models implemented in the Naima package ⁷. The modeling framework can be easily extended with user-defined models. For example agnpy models that describe leptonic radiative processes in jetted Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) can wrapped into gammapy (see section 3.5 of Nigro et al. 2021b) .

3.7.2. Fit

The Fit class provides methods to fit i.e., optimise parameters and estimate parameter errors and correlations. It interfaces with a Datasets object, which in turn is connected to a Models object containing the model parameters in its Parameters object. Models can be unique for a given dataset, or contribute to multiple datasets and thus provide links, allowing e.g., to do a joint fit to multiple IACT datasets, or to a joint IACT and Fermi-LAT dataset. Many examples are given in the tutorials.

The Fit class provides a uniform interface to multiple fitting backends: “minuit” (Dembinski & et al. 2020), “scipy”, (Virtanen et al. 2020), and “sherpa” (Refsdal et al. 2011). Note that, for now, covariance matrix and errors are computed only for the fitting with MINUIT. However depending on the problem other optimizers can better perform, so sometimes it can be useful to run a pre-fit with alternative optimization methods. In future we plan to extend the supported Fit backend, including for example MCMC solutions. ⁶

3.8. gammapy.stats

TODO: Regis Terrier Statistics methods

⁶ a prototype is available in gammapy-recipes, https://gammapy.github.io/gammapy-recipes/_build/html/notebooks/mcmc-sampling-emcee/mcmc_sampling.html

```

1 from gammapy.datasets import MapDataset
2 from gammapy.estimators import TSMAPEstimator
3 from astropy import units as u
4
5 dataset = MapDataset.read(
6     "$GAMMAPY_DATA/cta-1dc-gc/cta-1dc-gc.fits.gz"
7 )
8
9 estimator = TSMAPEstimator(
10     energy_edges=[0.1, 1, 10] * u.TeV
11 )
12
13 maps = estimator.run(dataset)

```

Fig. 9. Using the TSMAPEstimator from gammapy.estimators to compute a sqrt(TS) map.

3.9. gammapy.estimators

TODO: Axel Donath The gammapy.estimators sub-module features methods to compute flux points, light curves, flux maps, flux profiles from data.

The initial fine binning of MapDataset is grouped into larger bins.

Internal representation with a reference spectral model and an array of normalisation values given in energy, time and spatial bins.

No unfolding.

- Regrouping of dataset bins in time, energy etc.
- Reference spectral model scaled in energy bin
- "Forward folding" / "Backward folding": but there is no difference between the two, backwards folding is forward folding with one bin
- Likelihood profiles
- Uniform N-dimensional data structure
- Uniform API for plotting etc.
- FluxMaps and FluxPoints
- Serialisation to multiple formats, Astropy's Table and BinnedTimeSeries
- Additional quantities for debugging, such as predicted counts, fit convergence, sum of fit statistics
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3.10. gammapy.analysis

TODO: Quentin, Axel... High level analysis API

3.11. gammapy.visualisation

TODO: Axel Donath Plotters etc.

3.12. gammapy.astro

TODO: Axel Donath Dark matter models, source population modelling

3.13. gammapy.catalog

TODO: Atreyee Gamma-ray catalog access

Comprehensive source catalogs are increasingly being provided by many high energy astrophysics experiments.

```

1 from gammapy.catalog import SourceCatalog4FGL
2
3 catalog = SourceCatalog4FGL()
4 print("Number of sources :", len(catalog.table))
5
6 source = catalog["PKS 2155-304"]
7 model = source.sky_model()
8 flux_points = source.flux_points
9 lightcurve = source.lightcurve()

```

Fig. 10. Using gammapy.catalogs: Accessing underlying model, flux points and lightcurve from the Fermi-LAT 4FGL catalog for the blazar PKS 2155-304

gammapy.catalog provides a convenient access to some common gamma-ray catalogs. A global catalog table is provided, along with source models flux points and light curves (if available) for individual objects, which are internally created from the supplied FITS tables. This module works independently from the rest of the package, and the required catalogs are supplied in GAMMAPY_DATA. Presently, catalogs from Fermi-LAT (standard (Acero et al. 2015; Abdollahi et al. 2020) and high energy (Ackermann et al. 2016; Ajello et al. 2017)), H.E.S.S. galactic plane survey (H. E. S. S. Collaboration et al. 2018), HAWC (Abeysekara et al. 2017; Albert et al. 2020) and gamma-cat (Gamma-cat ???); an open source gamma ray catalog combining information from multiple catalogs) are supported.

3.14. gammapy.utils

Utility functions...

4. Applications

Gammapy can be used for a variety of science cases by different IACT experiments. (Refer to publications) In this section, we show a non-exhaustive list of some typical analysis that can be performed. In general from the Gammapy side there is not limitation on which kind of analysis can be done with which instrument, however in practice it is limited by the availability of public data.

4.1. 1D Analysis

TODO: Axel One of the most common analysis cases in gamma-ray astronomy is measuring the spectrum of a source in a given region defined on the sky, in conventional astronomy also called aperture photometry. The spectrum is typically measured in two steps: first a parametric spectral model is fitted to the data and secondly flux points are computed in a pre-defined set of energy bins. The result of such an analysis performed on three simulated CTA observations is shown in Fig. 11. In this case the spectrum was measured in a circular aperture centered on the Galactic Center, in γ -ray astronomy often called "on region". For such analysis the users first chooses a region of interest and energy binning, both defined by a 'RegionGeom'. In a second step the events and instrument response are binned into maps of this geometry, by the 'SpectrumDatasetMaker'. All the data and reduced instrument response are bundled into a 'SpectrumDataset'. To estimate the expected background

in the on region a "reflected regions" background method was used Berge et al. (2007), represented in Gammapy by the 'ReflectedRegionsBackgroundMaker' class. The resulting reflected regions are illustrated for all three observations on top of the map of counts. After reduction of the data it was modelled using a forward-folding method and a power-law spectral shape, using the 'PowerLawSpectralModel' and 'Fit' class. Based on this best fit model the final flux points and corresponding log-likelihood profiles are computed using the 'FluxPointsEstimator'.

4.2. 3D Analysis

TODO: Laura

Simulation of overlapping sources, 3D fitting, npred map, TS maps

TODO: What to do with Figure 12 ? Ref: (Stewart 2009)

4.3. Temporal analysis

TODO: Atreyee

Lightcurve in two energy bands (600 GeV - 1.5 TeV, and 1.5 TeV to 20 TeV) for PKS2155-304 flare seen by H.E.S.S. as in our notebooks.

4.4. Multi instrument analysis

TODO: Cosimo Nigro

4.5. Broadband SED Modeling

Figure 14. Add explanation text.

4.6. Population studies

TODO: Quentin Remy

5. Gammapy project

TODO: Jose Enrique

In this section, we provide an overview of the organization of the Gammapy project. We briefly describe the main roles and responsibilities in the Gammapy team, as well as the technical infrastructure designed to facilitate the development and maintenance of Gammapy as a high quality open source software. We also describe how we tackle with the software distribution, our solution for a versioned thoroughly tested documentation in the form user-friendly playable recipes, and the tools we use to foster the Gammapy community and to provide user support. This section concludes with an outlook on the roadmap for future directions.

5.1. Gammapy Team

- open development
- community driven vs. institutional driven
- communities
- coordination committee
- project manager
- lead developers
- contributors

Language	files	blank	comment	code
Python API	236	11138	18160	29710
Python Tests	123	5779	1014	20385
DocStrings	236	0	0	18160
reStructuredText	105	4097	2981	11132
Notebooks	33	0	20628	3664
YAML	13	25	29	700
SVG	4	4	4	298
make	2	44	18	229
CSS	1	55	8	228
Batch	1	21	1	148
Cython	1	16	35	68
Markdown	3	17	0	53
TOML	1	0	0	9
Total	400	15417	41864	46239

Table 1. Coding languages statistics in Gammapy project

5.2. Technical infrastructure

- Github repositories
 - gammapy (describe gammapy codebase)
 - docs
 - web
 - data
 - benchmarks
 - recipes
 - extra
 - meetings
 - conferences contributions
 - catalogs? (i.e. gamma-cat)
 - paper
- github actions and automated tasks
 - ci
 - docs
 - benchmarks-slack
 - codemeta.json and zenodo
 - release-web
- pytest and code coverage in ci
- tests on docstrings and on code in rst files
- code quality services (codecov, lgtm, codacy)
- validation and benchmarks -validation as online appendix...?

5.3. Software distribution

- pip, conda, versions
- gammapy download
- automated release process with Zenodo publishing linking
- escape 2020 software platform
- ascl

5.4. Documentation

- rst, sphinx, api
- versioned notebooks building and testing
- versioned binder

Figure: Screenshot of Jupyter notebook or docs with notebook, could show the interactive maps view

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m = Map.read("diffuse.fits")
m.plot_interactive()
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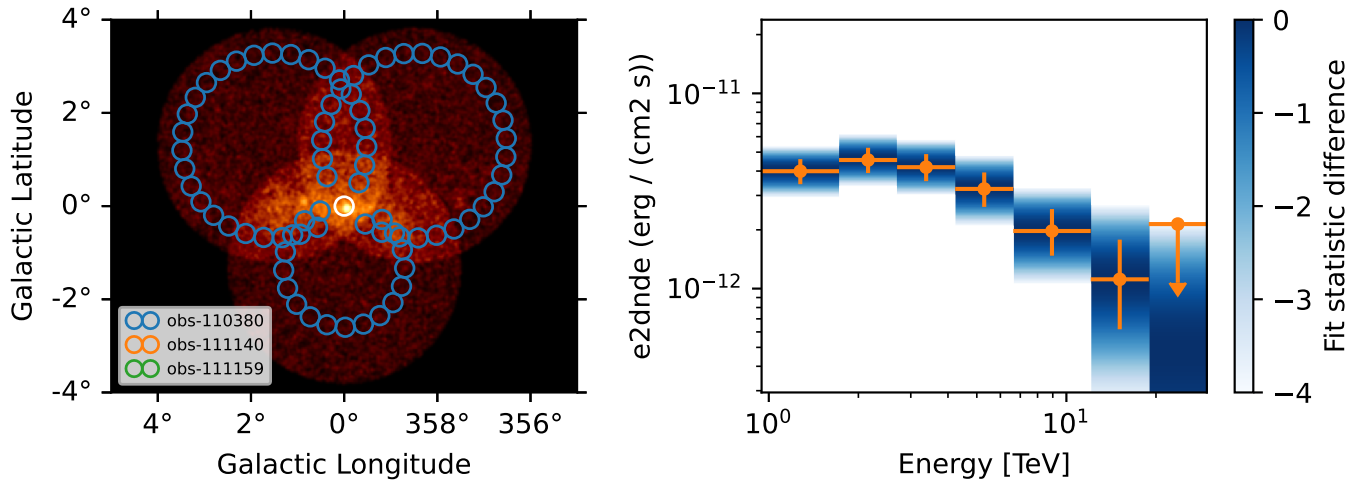



Fig. 11. Example spectral analysis of the Galactic Center for three simulated CTA observations. The left image shows the maps of counts with the measurement region and background regions overlaid in different colors. The right image shows the resulting spectral points and their corresponding log-likelihood profiles.

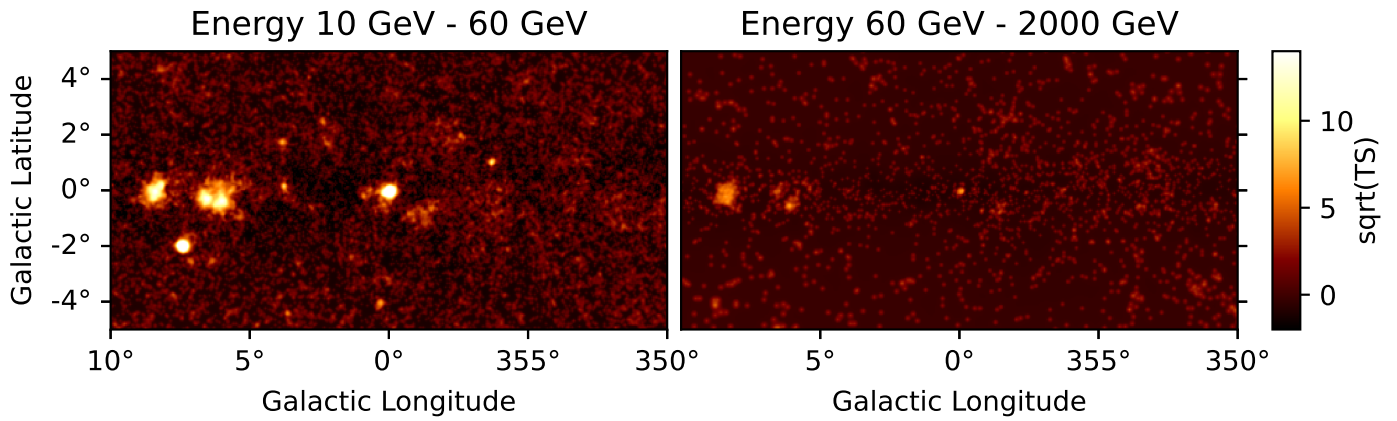


Fig. 12. Fermi-LAT TS map in two energy bands

5.5. Community and user-support

- weekly developers calls
- coding sprints
- slack
- github discussions
- gammapy recipes repo
- mailing lists

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- twitter

5.6. Roadmap

TODO: Axel, Regis

- pigs
- roadmap

6. Summary and Outlook

TODO: Axel and Regis write this...

Summary what we have in v0.9 and presented in this paper.

Roadmap to v1.0, about half a page.

Short conclusion: Gammapy has potential to be the Python package for gamma-ray astronomy.

Prospects for HAWC / SWGO? Or speak in general about water Cherenkov observatories...

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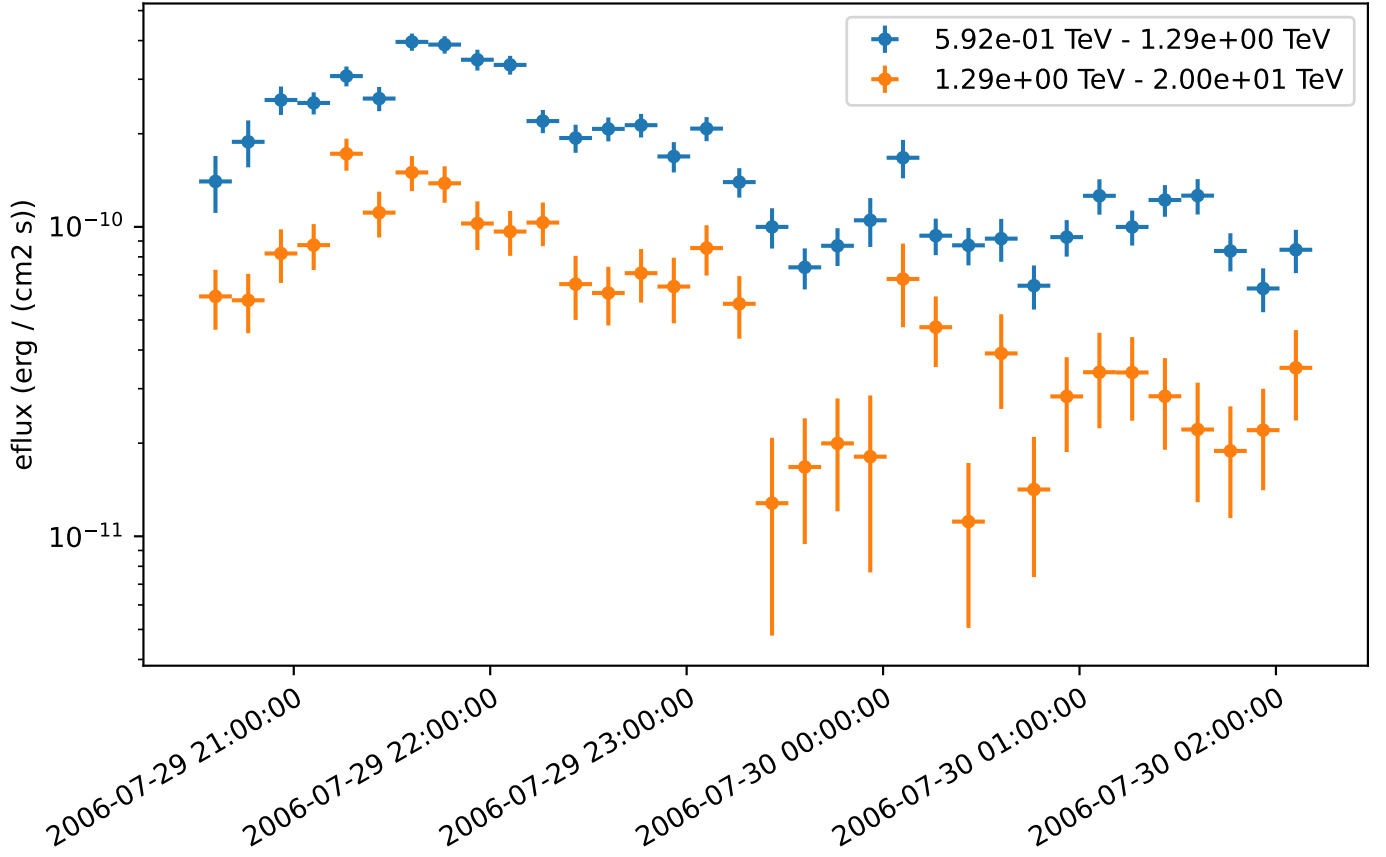


Fig. 13. H.E.S.S. PKS 2155-304 flare in two energy bands

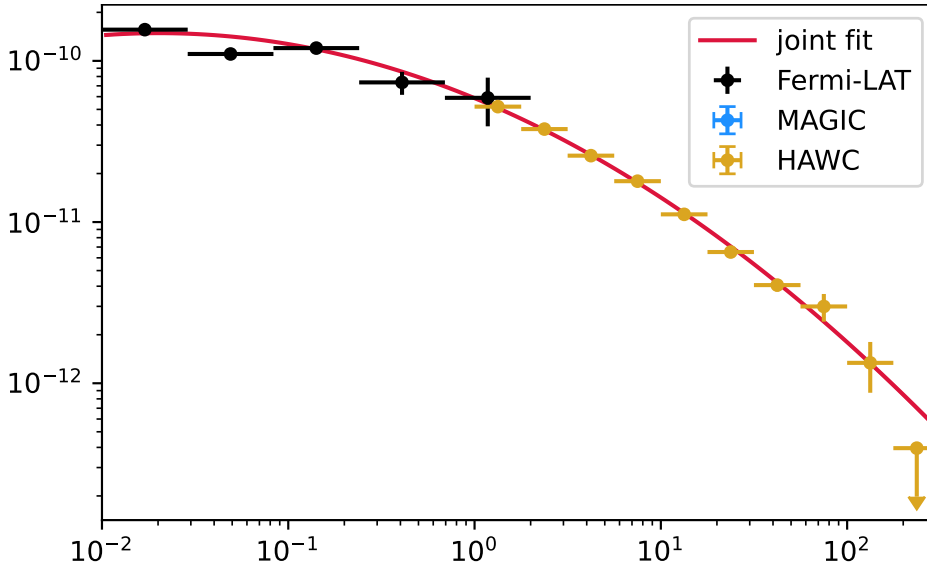


Fig. 14. A multi-instrument analysis of the Crab Nebula

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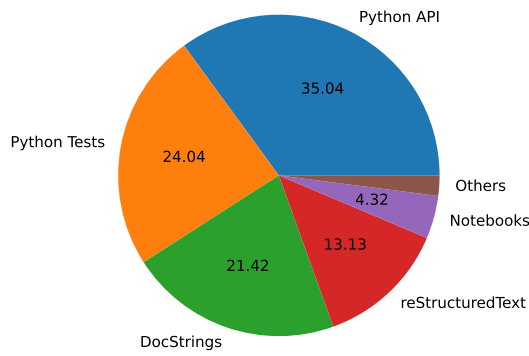


Fig. 15. Percentage of lines of code in Gammapy project

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