

# PYGadgetReader

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## Summary

This module contains a function for reading in particle data from Gadget (type 1) binary files, TIPSy binary files, TIPSy aux/envira/future files, PStarGroupFinder property files (galprop), and Gadget/TIPSy header files. These functions are described below in the following sections.

## REQUIREMENTS

- python2.7.x (not tested with other versions)
- numpy
- c compiler
- mercurial

## Obtaining the code

The easiest way to download the code and stay up to date is to clone a version from bitbucket to your local computer:

```
https://bitbucket.org/rthompson/pygadgetreader
```

If you do not have access to this repository simply send me an email and I will be happy to grant access rights.

## Customization

Before we build the module, there are a few additional parameters that you may want to adjust, both located in *modules/vars.h*. These must be enabled/disabled before compilation; by default they are both commented out:

```
//#define KENCODE      //default = off, only uncomment this if you are using
K.Nagamine's Gadget.
//#define TIPSYP      //default = off, uncomment this to read TIPSYP files by
default
```

KENCODE defines a different *skips.h* file to allow for the proper reading of his gadget snapshots. If your version of gadget has a different block structure you are more than welcome to define your own *skips.h* file to suit your needs. If you have any questions regarding this procedure feel free to email me.

TIPSYP allows for the omission of *tipsy=1* in your read commands (below). By uncommenting this the code will automatically try and read TIPSYP files by default; one can still read GADGET files via passing *tipsy=0* to the read commands.

## Installation

Once the code is downloaded there are two methods of installation depending on your access rights. If you have write access to your python distribution, then the preferred method is to execute the following commands:

```
python setup.py build      ## this builds the module
python setup.py install    ## this installs the module, may require sudo
```

If you do *not* have write access to your python install we can build the module in place via:

```
python setup.py build_ext --inplace
```

this will produce a *readgadget.so* file in the root directory of pygadget reader. If you elect to use this method then you should add the location of the *readgadget.so* file to your PYTHONPATH environment variable.

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## Usage

There are multiple functions contained within this module, I will go through each and its options below. In order to use this module in your python scripts one should add the following to the top of their scripts:

```
from readgadget import *
```

All functions have a few universal arguments:

```
units=0           //converts some units to more physical realizations
nth_particle=1    //only reads in ever Nth particle (readsnap() only)
tipsy=0           //reads in tipsy binary format
future=0          //specifies a specific future file (TIPSY ONLY)
debug=0           //prints out debug statements for reading
supress_output=0  //supresses output messages
numfiles=1        //depreciated, now read from the header
```

## **readhead()**

This function reads in the header and returns values of interest. The values it can read in are as follows:

time	- scale factor of the snapshot
redshift	- redshift of the snapshot
boxsize	- boxsize if present in units of kpc/h
00	- Omega_0 (Omega_dm+Omega_m)
01	- Omega_Lambda
h	- hubble parameter
gascount	- total # of gas particles [type 0]
dmcount	- total # of DM particles [type 1]
diskcount	- total # of disk particles [type 2]
bulgecount	- total # of bulge particles [type 3]
starcount	- total # of star particles [type 4]
bndrycount	- total # of bndry particles [type 5]
f_sfr	- Star Formation Rate flag 0=off 1=on
f_fb	- Feedback flag 0=off 1=on
f_cooling	- Cooling flag 0=off 1=on
f_age	- Stellar Age tracking flag 0=off 1=on
f_metals	- Metal tracking flag 0=off 1=on

Definition: `readhead('a','b',tipsy=0,debug=0)`

#### Parameters

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a : Input file.

Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

b : Value of interest from the above list.

Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

#### Optional

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numfiles: DEPRECIATED! No longer needed, but still here for backwards compatibility with previous scripts:

Number of files the snapshot is broken up into. Assumed to be 1 if it is not included.

#### Example:

```
z=readhead('snap_001','redshift')
```

- reads redshift value and assigns it to the z variable

```
h=readhead('snap_005','h')
```

```
boxsize=(readhead('snap_005','boxsize',numfiles=2)/1000/h)**3
```

- reads hubble param and assigns it to the h variable, then reads in the boxsize,  
converts it to Mpc<sup>3</sup>.

## readsnap()

This function does the bulk of the work. It reads data blocks from the snapshot file and returns the requested data for a specified particle type.

Supported data blocks are:

```
--GADGET & TIPSYP--
pos          - (all)      Position data
vel          - (all)      Velocity data in km/s
pid          - (all)      Particle ids
mass         - (all)      Particle masses
u            - (gas)      Internal energy
rho          - (gas)      Density
ne           - (gas)      Number density of free electrons
nh           - (gas)      Number density of neutral hydrogen
hsm1         - (gas)      Smoothing length of SPH particles
sfr          - (gas)      Star formation rate in Msun/year
delaytime    - (gas)      DelayTime (>0 member of wind)
fH2          - (gas)      Fractional Abundance of molecular hydrogen
Sigma        - (gas)      Approximate surface density @ each particle
(HIdensity * scale_height)
age          - (stars)     Formation time of stellar particles (in terms of
the scale factor)
z            - (gas & stars) Metallicity of gas & star particles (returns total
Z)
tmax         - (gas & stars) Maximum temp
nspawn       - (gas & stars) Number of star particles spawned
potential    - (all)       Potential of particles

metals       - (gas & stars) NMETALS array [C,O,Si,Fe]

--TIPSYP--
s_age        - (aux)       stellar age

mhalo        - (envira) mass of parent SKID halo
windage      - (envira) time since last launched in a wind for gas
rvir         - (envira) ??
vvir         - (envira) ??

starfrac     - (future) ??
relaunch     - (future) ??
rho          - (future) gas density in the future
u            - (future) gas particle temp in the future
z            - (future) metal value of particle in the future
```

Supported particle types (note tipsy only returns gas/dm/star particles):

gas	- Gas
dm	- Dark Matter
disk	- Disk particles
bulge	- Bulge particles
star/stars	- Star particles
bndry	- Boundary particles

Definition:

`readsnap('a','b','c',numfiles=0,units=0,tipsy=0,future=0,debug=0,nth_Particle = 1)`

Parameters

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a: Input file.

Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

b: Data block you are interested in (see above list)

Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

c: Particle type you are interested in (see above list)

Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

Optional

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numfiles: Number of files the snapshot is broken up into. Assumed to be 1 if it is not included. (obsolete)

units: Can either be 0 for code units or 1 for real units. Assumed to be 0 if not included.

This parameter allows for the data to be returned in real units(1) rather than code units(0).

Currently only active for density (rho), internal energy

(u - returns temperature in K), Mass (returns Msun), and Sigma (returns g/cm<sup>2</sup>).

tipsy: Must be set to 1 if reading in tipsy binary/aux/envira files.

future: integer value for the future file.

debug: Shows debug information

nth\_Particle: Allows the user to read in a subset of data rather than the full dataset

Example:

`DMpos=readsnap('snap_001','pos','dm')`

`DMx,DMy,DMz=hsplit(DMpos,3)`

- reads in dark matter data and returns an Nx3 array containing positions.

hsplit is then used to split the array into x,y,z positions.

```
grho=readsnap('snap_005','rho','gas',numfiles=2,units=1)
gtemp=readsnap('snap_005','u','gas',numfiles=2,units=1)
    - reads a multi-file snapshot (2) and returns density and temperature in
    cgs units.
```

## **galprop()**

This function reads in property files output by P-StarGroupFinder. It returns one of the following:

mstar	- Mass of the stars within a group
bmag	- B-magnitude of each group
imag	- I-magnitude of each group
vmag	- V-magnitude of each group
kmag	- K-magnitude of each group
cm	- Center of mass positions of each group
sfr	- Instantaneous star formation rate of each group
mgas	- Mass of the gas within a group
zstar	- Stellar metallicity of each group
zgas	- Gas metallicity of each group

Definitions:     galprop('a',b,'c',units=0)

#### Parameters

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a: Input directory (location of the property file)  
     Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.  
 b: Snapshot number  
 c: Value of interest (see above list)  
     Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

#### Optional

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units: Can either be 0 for code units or 1 for real units. Assumed to be 0 if not included.

    This is only active for Gas & Star Masses (1 returns units of Msun)

Example:     group\_mstar=galprop('./', 7, 'mstar',units=1)  
               - returns the total stellar mass of each group in units of Msun

              group\_cm=galprop('./', 7, 'cm')

              gx,gy,gz=hsplit(group\_cm,3)

              - reads in group center of mass positions and returns an NgroupX3

array.

              hsplit is then used to split the array into gx,gy,gz positions.

## galdata()

Returns data from all baryonic particles contained within a specified galprop group. The data returned is an array with the following particle properties at each index:



```

xpos      - x-position of the particle (index 0)
ypos      - y-position of the particle (index 1)
zpos      - z-position of the particle (index 2)
INDEX      - index of the particle (in relation to ALL particles from the
simulation) (index 3)
TYPE      - TYPE of particle: 0=gas, 4=star (index 4)

```

Definitions:    `galdata('a','b',c,d)`

#### Parameters

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a: Snapshot file.

    Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

b: Input directory (location of the property files)

    Must be input as a string and enclosed in ' ' - see examples.

c: Snapshot number

d: Galaxy number of interest - see examples.

Example:    `galaxy=galdata('snap_001', '..', 7, 5)`  
            - returns an array of data with the above information for galaxy 5  
in the galprop list

To match data to the snapshot:

```

            indexes = galaxy[:,3]                      #unfortunately this returns an array
of doubles

```

```

            indexes = indexes.astype(int)    #convert that array to integers

```

            - now you can access the data for this particular galaxy using  
these indexes on the full dataset

```

            for example: if you read in the density value via:                      rho
= readsnap(snap,'rho','gas')

```

```

            then rho[indexes] will return the density values of only the
particles within
            the target galaxy.

```

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This code is heavily inspired by gadgetpyio written by Matthew Becker, Matthew Turk, & Peter Teuben - thanks for putting the source to your code online.

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