# **PYGadgetReader**

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# **Summary**

This module contains a function for reading SPH particle data into python. The relevant functions are described in the following sections. It currently supports these file types:

- Gadget binaries (type 1)
- TIPSY Binaries (bin,aux,envira,future)
- HDF5 Gadget outputs
- PStarGroupFinder property files

## **REQUIREMENTS**

- python2.7.x (not tested with other versions)
- numpy
- C compiler
- mercurial
- HDF5 for HDF5-read support

# 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 via Mercurial (hg). The repository is hosted here:

https://bitbucket.org/rthompson/pygadgetreader

## **Customization**

Before we build the module, there are a few additional parameters that you may want to adjust in setup.py.

pygadgetreader allows the user to specify at compile time the default type of file one
will be reading in. This option must be set before compilation; by default the code
attempts to read in GADGET type-1 binaries. To change the default behavior select one
of the following (1=selected):

```
GADGET_DEFAULT = 1
TIPSY_DEFAULT = 0
HDF5_DEFAULT = 0
```

note: the code is configured for my specific simulations, but this can be customized. In order to change the block-ordering you must edit <a href="modules/skips\_altblock.h">modules/skips\_altblock.h</a> and adjust for your simulations, then set the following option in <a href="modules-stips\_stips\_altblock.h">setup.py</a>:

```
ALTBLOCK = 1
```

2. In order to enable HDF5 support you must indicate the location of your HDF5 installation. Point HDF5INCL & HDF5LIB to your respective HDF5 include and lib directories. When running setup.py the code will check if those directories exist before attempting to compile. As an example:

```
HDF5INCL = "/Users/bob/local/hdf5/include"
HDF5LIB = "/Users/bob/local/hdf5/lib"
```

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

HDF5\_DEFAULT allows for the omission of hdf5=1 in your read commands (below). By uncommenting this the code will automatically try and read HDF5 files by default; one can still read GADGET files via passing hdf5=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.

# **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
                    //only reads in ever Nth particle (readsnap() only)
nth_particle=1
tipsy=0
                    //reads in tipsy binary format
future=0
                    //specifies a specific future file (TIPSY ONLY)
hdf5=0
                    //reads in HDF5 binary format
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

- 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
f\_cooling - Cooling flag 0=off 1=on 0=off 1=on - Stellar Age tracking flag 0=off 1=on f\_age - Metal tracking flag 0=off 1=on f\_metals

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 compatability 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^3.

## 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 & TIPSY--
               - (all)
                               Position data
   pos
   vel
               - (all)
                               Velocity data in km/s
                               Particle ids
               - (all)
   pid
                               Particle masses
  mass
               - (all)
               - (gas)
                               Internal energy
   rho
               - (gas)
                               Density
  ne
               - (gas)
                               Number density of free electrons
                               Number density of neutral hydrogen
  nh
               - (gas)
                               Smoothing length of SPH particles
  hsml
               - (gas)
                               Star formation rate in Msun/year
   sfr
               - (gas)
   delaytime
               - (gas)
                               DelayTime (>0 member of wind)
   fH2
               - (gas)
                               Fractional Abundance of molecular hydrogen
                               Approximate surface density @ each particle
   Sigma
               - (gas)
(HIdensity * scale_height)
               - (stars)
                               Formation time of stellar particles (in terms of
   aae
the scale factor)
               - (gas & stars) Metallicty of gas & star particles (returns total
Z)
   tmax
               - (gas & stars) Maximum temp
               - (gas & stars) Number of star particles spawned
   nspawn
  potential
               - (all)
                               Potential of particles
  metals
               - (gas & stars) NMETALS array [C,0,Si,Fe]
   --TIPSY--
   s_age
               - (aux)
                          stellar age
               - (envira) mass of parent SKID halo
  mhalo
               - (envira) time since last launched in a wind for gas
  windage
   rvir
               - (envira) ??
   vvir
               - (envira) ??
   starfrac
               - (future) ??
   relaunch
               - (future) ??
               - (future) gad density in the future
   rho
               - (future) gas particle temp in the future
               - (future) metal value of particle in the future
```

```
Supported particle types (note tipsy only returns gas/dm/star particles):
  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
    -----
   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
    _____
   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 q/cm^2).
      tipsy: Must be set to 1 if reading in tipsy binary/aux/envira files.
      future: integer value for the future file.
       hdf5: Must be set to 1 if reading in HDF5 binary files.
      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
              - B-magnitude of each group
bmag
              - I-magnitude of each group
imag
              - V-magnitude of each group
vmag
              - K-magnitude of each group
kmag
cm
              - Center of mass positions of each group
sfr
              - Instantanious star formation rate of each group
mgas
              - Mass of the gas within a group
              - Stellar metallicity of each group
zstar
              - Gas metallicity of each group
zgas
Definitions:
               galprop('a',b,'c',units=0)
   Parameters
    _____
   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
   untits: 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)
              - y-position of the particle (index 1)
ypos
              - z-position of the particle (index 2)
 zpos
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
    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.
            galaxy=galdata('snap_001', '../', 7, 5)
Example:
             - 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 particlular 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.
```

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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