overview

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Data structures

0.1 Introduction

This is a getting started tutorial for Gammapy.

In this tutorial we will use the Third Fermi-LAT Catalog of High-Energy Sources (3FHL) catalog, corresponding event list and images to learn how to work with some of the central Gammapy data structures.

We will cover the following topics:

- Sky maps
 - We will learn how to handle image based data with gammapy using a Fermi-LAT 3FHL example image. We will work with the following classes:
 - * ~gammapy.maps.WcsNDMap
 - * astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord
 - * numpy.ndarray
- Event lists
 - We will learn how to handle event lists with Gammapy. Important for this are the following classes:
 - * ~gammapy.data.EventList
 - * astropy.table.Table
- Source catalogs
 - We will show how to load source catalogs with Gammapy and explore the data using the following classes:
 - * ~gammapy.catalog.SourceCatalog, specifically ~gammapy.catalog.SourceCatalog3FHL
 - * astropy.table.Table
- Spectral models and flux points
 - We will pick an example source and show how to plot its spectral model and flux points.
 For this we will use the following classes:
 - * ~gammapy.modeling.models.SpectralModel, specifically the ~gammapy.modeling.models.PowerLaw2SpectralModel
 - * ~gammapy.estimators.FluxPoints
 - * astropy.table.Table

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0.2 Setup

Important: to run this tutorial the environment variable GAMMAPY_DATA must be defined and point to the directory on your machine where the datasets needed are placed. To check whether your setup is correct you can execute the following cell:

```
[1]: import os

path = os.path.expandvars("$GAMMAPY_DATA")

if not os.path.exists(path):
    raise Exception("gammapy-data repository not found!")
else:
    print("Great your setup is correct!")
```

Great your setup is correct!

In case you encounter an error, you can un-comment and execute the following cell to continue. But we recommend to set up your environment correctly as described in getting started after you are done with this notebook.

```
[2]: # os.environ['GAMMAPY_DATA'] = os.path.join(os.getcwd(), '..')
```

Now we can continue with the usual IPython notebooks and Python imports:

```
[3]: %matplotlib inline import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
[4]: # defines, converts between, and performs arithmetic with physical quantities with physical
```

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Sky Maps

The ~gammapy.maps package contains classes to work with sky images and cubes.

In this section, we will use a simple 2D sky image and will learn how to:

- Read sky images from FITS files
- Smooth images
- Plot images
- Cutout parts from images

```
[5]: from gammapy.maps import Map

gc_3fhl = Map.read("$GAMMAPY_DATA/fermi-3fhl-gc/fermi-3fhl-gc-counts.fits.gz")
```

The image is a ~gammapy.maps.WcsNDMap object:

```
[6]: gc_3fhl
```

[6]: WcsNDMap

geom : WcsGeom
axes : ['lon', 'lat']
shape : (400, 200)
ndim : 2
unit :
dtype : >i8

The shape of the image is 400 x 200 pixel and it is defined using a cartesian projection in galactic coordinates.

The geom attribute is a ~gammapy.maps.WcsGeom object:

```
[7]: gc_3fhl.geom
```

[7]: WcsGeom

axes : ['lon', 'lat'] shape : (400, 200)

ndim : 2

frame : galactic

projection : CAR

center : 0.0 deg, 0.0 deg
width : 20.0 deg x 10.0 deg
wcs ref : 0.0 deg, 0.0 deg

Let's take a closer look a the .data attribute:

```
[8]: gc_3fhl.data
```

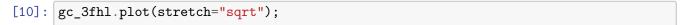
```
[8]: array([[0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0], ..., [0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 1], [0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0, ..., 0, 0, 0, 1]])
```

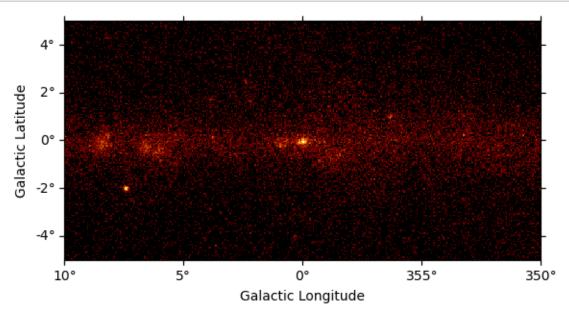
That looks familiar! It just an *ordinary* 2 dimensional numpy array, which means you can apply any known numpy method to it:

```
[9]: print(f"Total number of counts in the image: {gc_3fhl.data.sum():.0f}")
```

Total number of counts in the image: 32684

To show the image on the screen we can use the plot method. It basically calls plt.imshow, passing the gc_3fhl.data attribute but in addition handles axis with world coordinates using astropy.visualization.wcsaxes and defines some defaults for nicer plots (e.g. the colormap 'afmhot'):





Examples of plotting images with the WCSAxes package:

```
[11]: from astropy.wcs import WCS
    from astropy.io import fits
    from astropy.utils.data import get_pkg_data_filename

    filename = get_pkg_data_filename('galactic_center/gc_msx_e.fits')

    hdu = fits.open(filename)[0]
    wcs = WCS(hdu.header)

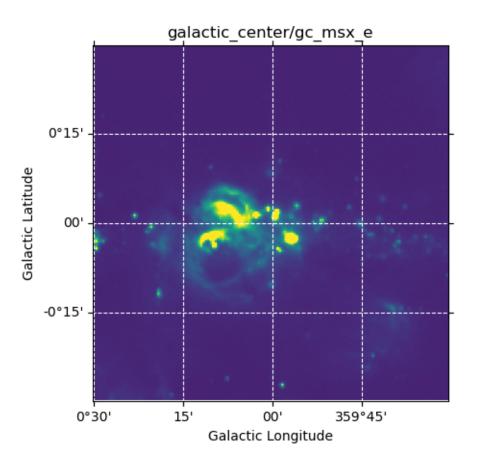
[12]: # A simple example
    plt.subplot(projection=wcs)

    plt.imshow(hdu.data, vmin=-2.e-5, vmax=2.e-4, origin='lower')

    plt.title("galactic_center/gc_msx_e")

    plt.grid(color='white', ls='--')

    plt.xlabel('Galactic Longitude')
    plt.ylabel('Galactic Latitude')
```



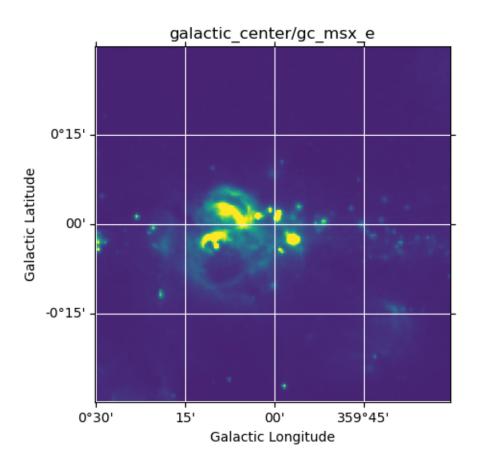
```
[13]: # For example, using the partially object-oriented interface
ax = plt.subplot(projection=wcs)

plt.title("galactic_center/gc_msx_e")

ax.imshow(hdu.data, vmin=-2.e-5, vmax=2.e-4, origin='lower')

ax.grid(color='white', ls='solid')

ax.set_xlabel('Galactic Longitude')
ax.set_ylabel('Galactic Latitude')
```



```
[14]: # For example, using advanced functionalities
    ax = plt.subplot(projection=wcs, label='overlays')

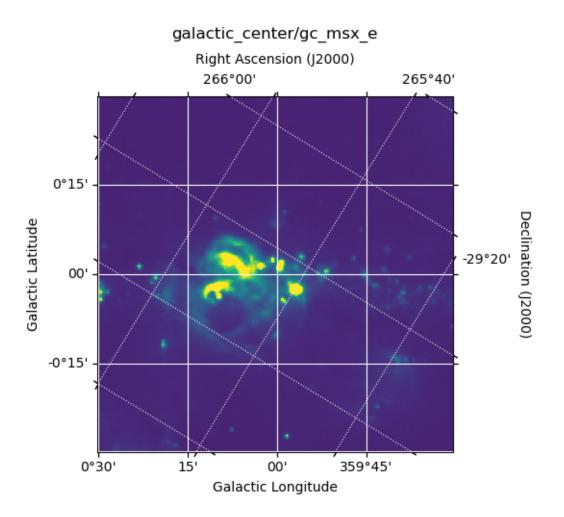
plt.title("galactic_center/gc_msx_e", y = 1.14)

ax.imshow(hdu.data, vmin=-2.e-5, vmax=2.e-4, origin='lower')

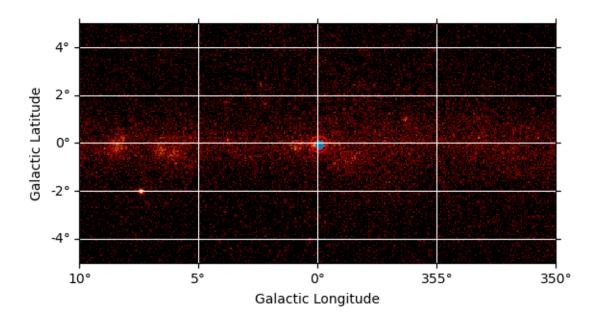
ax.coords.grid(True, color='white', ls='solid')

ax.coords[0].set_axislabel('Galactic Longitude')
    ax.coords[1].set_axislabel('Galactic Latitude')

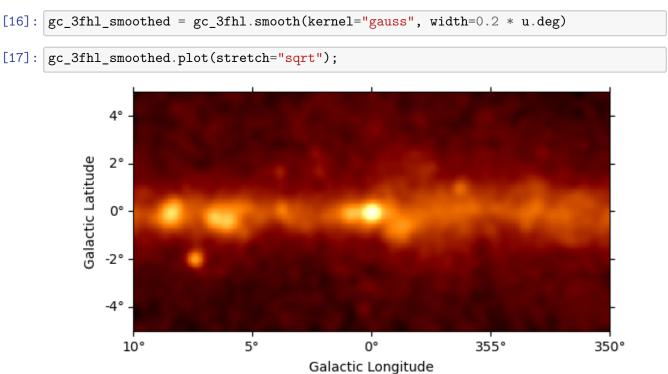
overlay = ax.get_coords_overlay('fk5')
    overlay.grid(color='white', ls='dotted')
    overlay[0].set_axislabel('Right Ascension (J2000)')
    overlay[1].set_axislabel('Declination (J2000)')
```



[15]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x7f6782b17fa0>



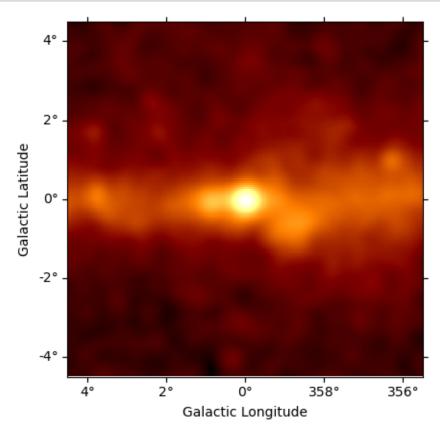
To make the structures in the image more visible we will smooth the data using a Gaussian kernel.



The smoothed plot already looks much nicer, but still the image is rather large. As we are mostly interested in the inner part of the image, we will cut out a quadratic region of the size 9 deg x 9

deg around Vela. Therefore we use ~gammapy.maps.Map.cutout to make a cutout map:

```
[18]: # define center and size of the cutout region
center = SkyCoord(0, 0, unit="deg", frame="galactic")
gc_3fhl_cutout = gc_3fhl_smoothed.cutout(center, 9 * u.deg)
gc_3fhl_cutout.plot(stretch="sqrt");
```



For a more detailed introduction to ~gammapy.maps, take a look a the maps.ipynb notebook.

0.2.1 Exercises

• Add a marker and circle at the position of Sag A* (you can find examples in astropy.visualization.wcsaxes).

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Event lists

Almost any high level gamma-ray data analysis starts with the raw measured counts data, which is stored in event lists. In Gammapy event lists are represented by the ~gammapy.data.EventList class.

In this section we will learn how to:

- Read event lists from FITS files
- Access and work with the EventList attributes such as .table and .energy
- Filter events lists using convenience methods

Let's start with the import from the ~gammapy.data submodule:

```
[19]: from gammapy.data import EventList
```

Very similar to the sky map class an event list can be created, by passing a filename to the ~gammapy.data.EventList.read() method:

```
[20]: events_3fhl = EventList.read(
    "$GAMMAPY_DATA/fermi-3fhl-gc/fermi-3fhl-gc-events.fits.gz"
)
```

You can find examples in gammapy.data.EventList.

```
# filename = "$GAMMAPY_DATA/hess-dl3-dr1/data/hess_dl3_dr1_obs_id_023523.fits.

gz"

# events = EventList.read(filename)

# #Plot the offset^2 distribution wrt. the observation pointing position

# #(this is a commonly used plot to check the background spatial distribution):

# events.plot_offset2_distribution()

# Plot the offset^2 distribution wrt. the Crab pulsar position (this is

# commonly used to check both the gamma-ray signal and the background

# spatial distribution):
```

This time the actual data is stored as an astropy.table. Table object. It can be accessed with .table attribute:

```
[22]: events_3fhl
```

[22]: <gammapy.data.event_list.EventList at 0x7f6782a0c7f0>

```
[23]: print(events_3fhl)
```

EventList

```
Instrument : LAT
Telescope : GLAST
Obs. ID :
```

Number of events : 32843

Event rate : 0.000 1 / s

Time start : 54682.65603222222 Time stop : 57236.96833546296

Min. energy : 1.00e+04 MeV
Max. energy : 1.92e+06 MeV
Median energy : 1.58e+04 MeV

[24]: events_3fhl.table

[24]: <Table length=32843>

ENERGY	RA	DEC	•••	DIFRSP3	DIFRSP4
MeV	deg	deg			
float32	float32	float32		${\tt float32}$	float32
			•••		
12186.642	260.45935	-33.553337		0.0	0.0
25496.598	261.37506	-34.395004		0.0	0.0
•••	•••		•••	•••	
18465.783	266.39728	-29.105953		0.0	0.0
14457.25	262.72217	-34.388405		0.0	0.0

Click here to see the descriptions of the reconstructed parameters.

TIPGet help on the available readers for Table using thehelp() method:

```
Table.read.help() # Get help reading Table and list supported formats
Table.read.help('fits') # Get detailed help on Table FITS reader
Table.read.list_formats() # Print list of available formats
```

You can do len over event 3fhl.table to find the total number of events.

[25]: len(events_3fhl.table)

[25]: 32843

[26]: events_3fhl.table.info

[26]: <Table length=32843>

name	dtype	shape	unit
ENERGY	float32		MeV
RA	float32		deg
DEC	float32		deg
L	float32		deg
В	float32		deg
THETA	float32		deg
PHI	float32		deg
ZENITH_ANGLE	float32		deg

```
EARTH_AZIMUTH_ANGLE float32
                                    deg
               TIME float64
                                      s
           EVENT_ID
                       int32
             RUN_ID
                       int32
      RECON_VERSION
                      int16
      CALIB_VERSION
                      int16 (3,)
        EVENT_CLASS
                       bool (32,)
         EVENT_TYPE
                       bool (32,)
    CONVERSION_TYPE
                       int16
           LIVETIME float64
            DIFRSPO float32
            DIFRSP1 float32
            DIFRSP2 float32
            DIFRSP3 float32
            DIFRSP4 float32
```

'DIFRSP4']

And we can access any other attribute of the Table object as well:

```
[27]: events_3fhl.table.colnames
[27]: ['ENERGY',
       'RA',
       'DEC',
       'L',
       'B',
       'THETA',
       'PHI',
       'ZENITH_ANGLE',
       'EARTH_AZIMUTH_ANGLE',
       'TIME',
       'EVENT_ID',
       'RUN ID',
       'RECON_VERSION',
       'CALIB_VERSION',
       'EVENT_CLASS',
       'EVENT_TYPE',
       'CONVERSION_TYPE',
       'LIVETIME',
       'DIFRSPO',
       'DIFRSP1',
       'DIFRSP2',
       'DIFRSP3',
```

For convenience we can access the most important event parameters as properties on the EventList objects. The attributes will return corresponding Astropy objects to represent the data, such as astropy.units.Quantity, astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord or astropy.time.Time objects:

```
[28]: events_3fhl.energy.to("GeV")
[28]:
     [12.186643,\ 25.496599,\ 15.621499,\ \dots,\ 32.095707,\ 18.465784,\ 14.457251]\ \mathrm{GeV}
[29]: events_3fhl.table["ENERGY"]=events_3fhl.energy.to("GeV")
      \# t[colname][:] = value
      events_3fhl.table["ENERGY"]
[29]: <Column name='ENERGY' dtype='float32' unit='GeV' length=32843>
      12.186643
        25,4966
      15.621499
      12.816321
      18.988388
      13.133865
      32.095707
      18.465784
      14.457251
[30]: events_3fhl.energy.unit
[30]: GeV
[31]: events_3fhl.galactic
      # events_3fhl.radec
[31]: <SkyCoord (Galactic): (1, b) in deg
          [(353.36228879, 1.75408483), (353.09562941, 0.6522806),
           (353.05628243, 2.44528685), ..., (359.10295505, -0.1359316),
           (359.85157506, -0.08269984), (353.71795506, -0.26883694)]>
[32]: events_3fhl.time
[32]: <Time object: scale='tt' format='mjd' value=[54682.82946153 54682.89243456
      54682.89709472 ... 57236.75267735
       57233.37455141 57233.44802852]>
     There is also some convenience to plot the events:
[33]: help(EventList)
     Help on class EventList in module gammapy.data.event_list:
     class EventList(builtins.object)
      | EventList(table)
        Event list.
```

```
Event list data is stored as ``table`` (`~astropy.table.Table`) data member.
The most important reconstructed event parameters
 | are available as the following columns:
   - ``TIME`` - Mission elapsed time (sec)
   - ``RA``, ``DEC`` - ICRS system position (deg)
   - ``ENERGY`` - Energy (usually MeV for Fermi and TeV for IACTs)
| Note that ``TIME`` is usually sorted, but sometimes it is not.
 | E.g. when simulating data, or processing it in certain ways.
   So generally any analysis code should assume ``TIME`` is not sorted.
   Other optional (columns) that are sometimes useful for high level analysis:
  - ``GLON``, ``GLAT`` - Galactic coordinates (deg)
   - ``DETX``, ``DETY`` - Field of view coordinates (deg)
 | Note that when reading data for analysis you shouldn't use those
 | values directly, but access them via properties which create objects
 | of the appropriate class:
 - `time` for ``TIME``
| - `radec` for ``RA``, ``DEC``
   - `energy` for ``ENERGY``
   - `galactic` for ``GLON``, ``GLAT``
  Parameters
  table : `~astropy.table.Table`
       Event list table
| Examples
>>> from gammapy.data import EventList
   >>> events = EventList.read("$GAMMAPY_DATA/cta-1dc/data/baseline/gps/gps_bas
eline 110380.fits")
| >>> print(events)
| EventList
   -----
 | <BLANKLINE>
     Instrument
                    : None
     Telescope
                     : CTA
     Obs. ID
                    : 110380
 Number of events: 106217
     Event rate : 59.273 1 / s
 | <BLANKLINE>
```

```
Time start : 59235.5
    Time stop
                   : 59235.52074074074
  <BLANKLINE>
    Min. energy : 3.00e-02 TeV
    Max. energy
                   : 1.46e+02 TeV
    Median energy : 1.02e-01 TeV
  <BLANKLINE>
    Max. offset : 5.0 deg
  <BLANKLINE>
| Methods defined here:
  __init__(self, table)
      Initialize self. See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.
  __str__(self)
      Return str(self).
  check(self, checks='all')
      Run checks.
      This is a generator that yields a list of dicts.
  map_coord(self, geom)
      Event map coordinates for a given geometry.
      Parameters
      _____
      geom : `~gammapy.maps.Geom`
          Geometry
      Returns
      coord : `~gammapy.maps.MapCoord`
          Coordinates
  peek(self, allsky=False)
      Quick look plots.
      Parameters
      allsky : bool
          Whether to look at the events allsky
  plot_energy(self, ax=None, **kwargs)
      Plot counts as a function of energy.
      Parameters
```

```
ax : `~matplotlib.axes.Axes` or None
        Axes
    **kwargs : dict
        Keyword arguments passed to `~matplotlib.pyplot.hist`
    Returns
    ax : `~matplotlib.axes.Axes` or None
plot_energy_offset(self, ax=None, center=None, **kwargs)
    Plot counts histogram with energy and offset axes
    Parameters
    -----
    ax : `~matplotlib.pyplot.Axis`
        Plot axis
    center : `~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`
        Sky coord from which offset is computed
    **kwargs : dict
        Keyword arguments forwarded to `~matplotlib.pyplot.pcolormesh`
   Returns
    ax : `~matplotlib.pyplot.Axis`
       Plot axis
plot_image(self, ax=None, allsky=False)
    Quick look counts map sky plot.
    Parameters
    -----
    ax : `~matplotlib.pyplot.Axes`
        Axes to plot on.
    allsky : bool,
        Whether to plot on an all sky geom
plot_offset2_distribution(self, ax=None, center=None, **kwargs)
    Plot offset<sup>2</sup> distribution of the events.
    The distribution shown in this plot is for this quantity::
        offset = center.separation(events.radec).deg
        offset2 = offset ** 2
    Note that this method is just for a quicklook plot.
```

```
If you want to do computations with the offset or offset^2 values, you
can
        use the line above. As an example, here's how to compute the 68% event
        containment radius using `numpy.percentile`::
            import numpy as np
            r68 = np.percentile(offset, q=68)
       Parameters
        ax : `~matplotlib.axes.Axes` (optional)
            Axes
        center : `astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`
            Center position for the offset^2 distribution.
            Default is the observation pointing position.
        **kwargs :
            Extra keyword arguments are passed to `~matplotlib.pyplot.hist`.
       Returns
        ax : `~matplotlib.axes.Axes`
            Axes
       Examples
       Load an example event list:
       >>> from gammapy.data import EventList
       >>> from astropy import units as u
        >>> events = EventList.read('$GAMMAPY_DATA/hess-
dl3-dr1/data/hess_dl3_dr1_obs_id_023523.fits.gz')
       >>> #Plot the offset^2 distribution wrt. the observation pointing
position
        >>> #(this is a commonly used plot to check the background spatial
distribution):
        >>> events.plot_offset2_distribution() # doctest: +SKIP
       Plot the offset^2 distribution wrt. the Crab pulsar position
        (this is commonly used to check both the gamma-ray signal and the
background spatial distribution):
       >>> import numpy as np
       >>> from astropy.coordinates import SkyCoord
       >>> center = SkyCoord(83.63307, 22.01449, unit='deg')
       >>> bins = np.linspace(start=0, stop=0.3 ** 2, num=30) * u.deg ** 2
        >>> events.plot_offset2_distribution(center=center, bins=bins) #
doctest: +SKIP
```

```
Note how we passed the ``bins`` option of `matplotlib.pyplot.hist` to
control the histogram binning,
        in this case 30 bins ranging from 0 to (0.3 deg)^2.
  plot_time(self, ax=None, **kwargs)
       Plots an event rate time curve.
       Parameters
        ax : `~matplotlib.axes.Axes` or None
           Axes
        **kwargs : dict
            Keyword arguments passed to `~matplotlib.pyplot.errorbar`
       Returns
        ax : `~matplotlib.axes.Axes`
           Axes
   select_energy(self, energy_range)
        Select events in energy band.
       Parameters
        energy_range : `~astropy.units.Quantity`
            Energy range ``[energy_min, energy_max)``
       Returns
        event_list : `EventList`
            Copy of event list with selection applied.
       Examples
       >>> from astropy import units as u
        >>> from gammapy.data import EventList
       >>> event list =
EventList.read('$GAMMAPY_DATA/fermi_3fhl/fermi_3fhl_events_selected.fits.gz')
       >>> energy_range =[1, 20] * u.TeV
       >>> event_list = event_list.select_energy(energy_range=energy_range)
   select_mask(self, mask)
        Select events inside a mask (`EventList`).
       Parameters
       mask : `~gammapy.maps.Map`
           Mask
```

```
Returns
       event_list : `EventList`
           Copy of event list with selection applied.
       Examples
       _____
       >>> from gammapy.data import EventList
       >>> from gammapy.maps import WcsGeom, Map
       >>> geom = WcsGeom.create(skydir=(0,0), width=(4, 4), frame="galactic")
       >>> mask = geom.region_mask("galactic;circle(0, 0, 0.5)")
       >>> events = EventList.read("$GAMMAPY_DATA/cta-1dc/data/baseline/gps/gps
_baseline_110380.fits")
       >>> masked_event = events.select_mask(mask)
       >>> len(masked_event.table)
       5594
   select_offset(self, offset_band)
       Select events in offset band.
       Parameters
       offset_band : `~astropy.coordinates.Angle`
           offset band ``[offset_min, offset_max)``
       Returns
       _____
       event_list : `EventList`
           Copy of event list with selection applied.
       Examples
       >>> from gammapy.data import EventList
       >>> import astropy.units as u
       >>> events = EventList.read("$GAMMAPY_DATA/cta-1dc/data/baseline/gps/gps
baseline 110380.fits")
       >>> selected_events = events.select_offset([0.3, 0.9]*u.deg)
       >>> len(selected_events.table)
       12688
   select_parameter(self, parameter, band)
       Select events with respect to a specified parameter.
       Parameters
       -----
       parameter : str
           Parameter used for the selection. Must be present in `self.table`.
```

```
band : tuple or `astropy.units.Quantity`
           Min and max value for the parameter to be selected (min <= parameter
< max).
            If parameter is not dimensionless you have to provide a Quantity.
       Returns
        event_list : `EventList`
            Copy of event list with selection applied.
       Examples
        >>> from astropy import units as u
        >>> from gammapy.data import EventList
        >>> event_list =
EventList.read('$GAMMAPY_DATA/fermi_3fhl/fermi_3fhl_events_selected.fits.gz')
       >>> zd = (0, 30) * u.deg
       >>> event_list = event_list.select_parameter(parameter='ZENITH_ANGLE',
band=zd)
        >>> print(len(event_list.table))
        123944
   select_rad_max(self, rad_max, position=None)
        Select energy dependent offset
       Parameters
        _____
       rad_max : `~gamapy.irf.RadMax2D`
            Rad max definition
       position : `~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`
            Center position. By default the pointing position is used.
       Returns
        event list : `EventList`
            Copy of event list with selection applied.
   select_region(self, regions, wcs=None)
        Select events in given region.
       Parameters
       regions : str, `~regions.Region` or list of `~regions.Region`
            Region or list of regions (pixel or sky regions accepted).
            A region can be defined as a string ind DS9 format as well.
            See http://ds9.si.edu/doc/ref/region.html for details.
        wcs : `~astropy.wcs.WCS`
            World coordinate system transformation
```

```
Returns
       event_list : `EventList`
           Copy of event list with selection applied.
   select_row_subset(self, row_specifier)
       Select table row subset.
       Parameters
       _____
       row_specifier : slice, int, or array of ints
           Specification for rows to select,
           passed on to ``self.table[row_specifier]``.
       Returns
       _____
       event_list : `EventList`
           New event list with table row subset selected
       Examples
       >>> from gammapy.data import EventList
       >>> import numpy as np
       >>> events = EventList.read("$GAMMAPY_DATA/cta-1dc/data/baseline/gps/gps
_baseline_110380.fits")
       >>> #Use a boolean mask as ``row_specifier``:
       >>> mask = events.table['MC_ID'] == 1
       >>> events2 = events.select_row_subset(mask)
       >>> print(len(events2.table))
       97978
       >>> #Use row index array as ``row_specifier``:
       >>> idx = np.where(events.table['MC_ID'] == 1)[0]
       >>> events2 = events.select_row_subset(idx)
       >>> print(len(events2.table))
       97978
   select_time(self, time_interval)
       Select events in time interval.
       Parameters
       time_interval : `astropy.time.Time`
           Start time (inclusive) and stop time (exclusive) for the selection.
       Returns
```

```
events : `EventList`
         Copy of event list with selection applied.
stack(self, other)
     Stack with another EventList in place.
     Calls `~astropy.table.vstack`.
     Parameters
     other : `~gammapy.data.EventList`
         Event list to stack to self
 to_table_hdu(self, format='gadf')
     Convert event list to a `~astropy.io.fits.BinTableHDU`
     Parameters
     _____
     format: str
         Output format, currently only "gadf" is supported
     Returns
     hdu: `astropy.io.fits.BinTableHDU`
         EventList converted to FITS representation
 write(self, filename, gti=None, overwrite=False, format='gadf')
     Write the event list to a FITS file.
     If a GTI object is provided, it is saved into
     a second extension in the file.
     Parameters
     filename : `pathlib.Path`, str
         Filename
     gti : `~gammapy.data.GTI`
         Good Time Intervals object to save to the same file.
         Default is None.
     overwrite : bool
         Overwrite existing file?
     format : str, optional
         FITS format convention. By default files will be written
         to the gamma-astro-data-formats (GADF) format.
 Class methods defined here:
```

```
from_stack(event_lists, **kwargs) from builtins.type
       Stack (concatenate) list of event lists.
       Calls `~astropy.table.vstack`.
       Parameters
       event_lists : list
           list of `~gammapy.data.EventList` to stack
   read(filename, **kwargs) from builtins.type
       Read from FITS file.
       Format specification: :ref:`gadf:iact-events`
       Parameters
       filename : `pathlib.Path`, str
           Filename
   Readonly properties defined here:
  altaz
       ALT / AZ position computed from RA / DEC
(`~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`).
   altaz_frame
       ALT / AZ frame (`~astropy.coordinates.AltAz`).
  altaz_from_table
       ALT / AZ position from table (`~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`).
   energy
       Event energies (`~astropy.units.Quantity`).
   galactic
       Event Galactic sky coordinates (`~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`).
       Always computed from RA / DEC using Astropy.
   galactic_median
       Median position in radec
   is_pointed_observation
       Whether observation is pointed
   observation_dead_time_fraction
```

```
Dead-time fraction (float).
        This is a keyword related to IACTs
        Defined as dead-time over observation time.
       Dead-time is defined as the time during the observation
        where the detector didn't record events:
       http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dead_time
       https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2004APh...22..285F
        The dead-time fraction is used in the live-time computation,
        which in turn is used in the exposure and flux computation.
   observation_live_time_duration
       Live-time duration in seconds (`~astropy.units.Quantity`).
        The dead-time-corrected observation time.
        - In Fermi-LAT it is automatically provided in the header of the event
list.
        - In IACTs is computed as ``t_live = t_observation * (1 - f_dead)``
        where ``f_dead`` is the dead-time fraction.
   observation_time_duration
        Observation time duration in seconds (`~astropy.units.Quantity`).
        This is a keyword related to IACTs
        The wall time, including dead-time.
   observation_time_start
        Observation start time (`~astropy.time.Time`).
   observation_time_stop
        Observation stop time (`~astropy.time.Time`).
   observatory_earth_location
        Observatory location (`~astropy.coordinates.EarthLocation`).
   offset
        Event offset from the array pointing position
(`~astropy.coordinates.Angle`).
   offset_from_median
        Event offset from the median position (`~astropy.coordinates.Angle`).
  pointing_radec
        Pointing RA / DEC sky coordinates (`~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`).
```

```
radec
Event RA / DEC sky coordinates (`~astropy.coordinates.SkyCoord`).

time
Event times (`~astropy.time.Time`).

Notes
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Times are automatically converted to 64-bit floats.
With 32-bit floats times will be incorrect by a few seconds when e.g. adding them to the reference time.

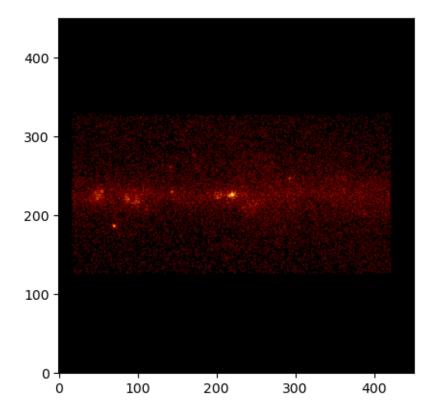
time_ref
Time reference (`~astropy.time.Time`).

Data descriptors defined here:

__dict__
dictionary for instance variables (if defined)

__weakref__
list of weak references to the object (if defined)
```

[34]: events_3fhl.plot_image()



In addition EventList provides convenience methods to filter the event lists. One possible use case is to find the highest energy event within a radius of 0.5 deg around the vela position:

```
[35]: # select all events within a radius of 0.5 deg around center from gammapy.utils.regions import SphericalCircleSkyRegion

region = SphericalCircleSkyRegion(center, radius=0.5 * u.deg)
events_gc_3fhl = events_3fhl.select_region(region)

# sort events by energy
events_gc_3fhl.table.sort("ENERGY")

# and show highest energy photon
events_gc_3fhl.energy[-1].to("GeV")
```

[35]: 1917.8594 GeV

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• Make a counts energy spectrum for the galactic center region, within a radius of 10 deg.

```
[]:
```

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Source catalogs

Gammapy provides a convenient interface to access and work with catalog based data.

In this section we will learn how to:

- Load builtins catalogs from ~gammapy.catalog
- Sort and index the underlying Astropy tables
- Access data from individual sources

Let's start with importing the 3FHL catalog object from the ~gammapy.catalog submodule:

```
[36]: from gammapy.catalog import SourceCatalog3FHL
```

First we initialize the Fermi-LAT 3FHL catalog and directly take a look at the .table attribute:

```
[37]: fermi_3fhl = SourceCatalog3FHL() fermi_3fhl.table
```

[37]: <Table length=1556>

```
Source_Name
                    RAJ2000
                                    NuPeak_obs
                      deg
                                        Ηz
     bytes18
                    float32
                                     float32
3FHL J0001.2-0748
                      0.3107 ... 306196370000000.0
3FHL J0001.9-4155
                      0.4849 ... 6309576500000000.0
3FHL J2359.1-3038
                    359.7760 ...
                                      2.818388e+17
3FHL J2359.3-2049
                    359.8293 ... 4073799600000000.0
```

The following table contains a description of the reconstructed parameters [2]:

LAT 3FHL FITS FORMAT: LAT_POINT_SOURCE_CATALOG EXTENSION

Column	Format	Unit	Description
Source_Name	18A		Official source name 3FHL JHHMM.m+DDMM
RAJ2000	\mathbf{E}	deg	Right Ascension
DEJ2000	\mathbf{E}	deg	Declination
GLON	\mathbf{E}	deg	Galactic Longitude
GLAT	\mathbf{E}	deg	Galactic Latitude
Conf_95_SemiMajor	\mathbf{E}	deg	Error radius at 95% confidence
Conf_95_SemiMinor	\mathbf{E}	deg	= Conf_95_SemiMajor in 3FHL
Conf_95_PosAng	\mathbf{E}	deg	NULL in 3FHL (error circles)
ROI_num	I		ROI number (cross-reference to ROIs extension)
Signif_Avg	\mathbf{E}		Source significance in σ units over the 10 GeV to 2 TeV band
Pivot_Energy	\mathbf{E}	GeV	Energy at which error on differential flux is minimal
Flux_Density	\mathbf{E}	${\rm cm}^{-2} \ {\rm GeV}^{-1} \ {\rm s}^{-1}$	Differential flux at Pivot_Energy
Unc_Flux_Density	\mathbf{E}	${\rm cm^{-2}~GeV^{-1}~s^{-1}}$	1σ error on differential flux at Pivot_Energy
Flux	\mathbf{E}	${\rm cm}^{-2} {\rm \ s}^{-1}$	Integral photon flux from 10 GeV to 1 TeV obtained by spectral fitting
Unc_Flux	E	${\rm cm}^{-2} {\rm s}^{-1}$	1σ error on integral photon flux from 10 GeV to 1 TeV
Energy_Flux	\mathbf{E}	${\rm erg} \ {\rm cm}^{-2} \ {\rm s}^{-1}$	Energy flux from 10 GeV to 1 TeV obtained by spectral fitting
Unc_Energy_Flux	E	${\rm erg~cm^{-2}~s^{-1}}$	1σ error on energy flux from 10 GeV to 1 TeV
Signif_Curve	Ē		Significance (in σ units) of the fit improvement between power-law and
~-8			LogParabola. A value greater than 3 indicates significant curvature
SpectrumType	18A		Spectral type (PowerLaw or LogParabola)
Spectral_Index	\mathbf{E}		Best-fit photon number index at Pivot_Energy when fitting with LogParabola
Unc_Spectral_Index	\mathbf{E}		1σ error on Spectral-Index
beta	\mathbf{E}		Curvature parameter β when fitting with LogParabola
Unc_beta	\mathbf{E}		1σ error on β
PowerLaw_Index	\mathbf{E}		Best-fit photon number index when fitting with power law
Unc_PowerLaw_Index	\mathbf{E}		1σ error on PowerLaw_Index
Unc_Flux_Band	10E	$cm^{-2} s^{-1}$	1σ lower and upper error on Flux_Band ^a
nuFnu	\mathbf{E}	${\rm erg~cm^{-2}~s^{-1}}$	Spectral energy distribution over each spectral band
Sqrt_TS_Band	\mathbf{E}		Square root of the Test Statistic in each spectral band
Npred	\mathbf{E}		Predicted number of events in the model
HEP_Energy	\mathbf{E}	${ m GeV}$	Highest energy among events probably coming from the source
HEP_Prob	E		Probability of that event to come from the source
Flux_Band	5E	${\rm cm}^{-2} {\rm \ s}^{-1}$	Integral photon flux in each spectral band
Variability_BayesBlocks	I		Number of Bayesian blocks from variability analysis; 1 if not variable,
F . 110	404		-1 if could not be tested
Extended_Source_Name	18A	• • • •	Cross-reference to the ExtendedSources extension
ASSOC_GAM	18A		Correspondence to previous γ -ray source catalog ^b
TEVCAT_FLAG	A		P if positional association with non-extended source in TeVCat
			E if associated with an extended source in TeVCat, N if no TeV association
A SSOC TEN	0.4.4		C if TeV source candidate as defined in § 3.4
ASSOC_TEV	24A		Name of likely corresponding TeV source from TeVCat, if any
CLASS ASSOC1	$^{7\mathrm{A}}_{26\mathrm{A}}$		Class designation for associated source; see Table 2 Name of identified or likely associated source
ASSOC2 ASSOC_PROB_BAY	26A E		Alternate name or indicates whether the source is inside an extended source
ASSOC_PROB_BAY	E		Probability of association according to the Bayesian method Probability of association according to the Likelihood Ratio method
Redshift	E		Redshift of counterpart, if known
NuPeak_obs	E	Hz	Frequency of the synchrotron peak of counterpart, if known
1.41 Car_005		112	requestly of the synchrotron peak of counterpart, it known

^aSeparate 1σ errors are computed from the likelihood profile toward lower and larger fluxes. The lower error is set equal to NULL and the upper error is derived from a Bayesian upper limit if the 1σ interval contains 0 (TS < 1).

This looks very familiar again. The data is just stored as an astropy.table. Table object. We have all the methods and attributes of the Table object available. E.g. we can sort the underlying table by Signif_Avg to find the top 5 most significant sources:

```
[38]: type(fermi_3fhl.table["ASSOC1"])

[38]: astropy.table.column.Column

[39]: # sort table by significance
    fermi_3fhl.table.sort("Signif_Avg")

# invert the order to find the highest values and take the top 5
    top_five_TS_3fhl = fermi_3fhl.table[::-1][:5]

# print the top five significant sources with association and source class
    top_five_TS_3fhl[["Source_Name", "ASSOC1", "ASSOC2", "CLASS", "Signif_Avg"]]
```

 $^{^{\}rm b} {\rm in~the~order~3FGL} > 2 {\rm FHL} > 1 {\rm FHL} > 2 {\rm FGL} > 1 {\rm FGL} > {\rm EGRET}.$

[39]: <Table length=5>

If you are interested in the data of an individual source you can access the information from catalog using the name of the source or any alias source name that is defined in the catalog:

[40]: print(fermi_3fhl["3FHL J0534.5+2201"])

*** Basic info ***

Catalog row index (zero-based) : 1555 Source name : 3FHL J0534.5+2201

Extended name

Associations : Crab Nebula, Crab Nebula, 3FGL J0534.5+2201i

ASSOC_PROB_BAY : 1.000 ASSOC_PROB_LR : 1.000 Class : PWN TeVCat flag : P

*** Other info ***

Significance (10 GeV - 2 TeV) : 168.641 Npred : 2602.9

HEP Energy : 1463.300 GeV

HEP Probability : 1.000
Bayesian Blocks : 1
Redshift : -NuPeak_obs : 0.0 Hz

*** Position info ***

RA : 83.635 deg
DEC : 22.019 deg
GLON : 184.554 deg
GLAT : -5.780 deg

Semimajor (95%) : 0.0080 deg Semiminor (95%) : 0.0080 deg Position angle (95%) : 0.00 deg ROI number : 430

*** Spectral fit info ***

Spectrum type : PowerLaw Significance curvature : 1.4

Power-law spectral index : 2.220 +- 0.025

nan

nan

nan

2.759e-10

6.684e-11

Pivot energy : 22.7 GeV

Flux Density at pivot energy : 1.71e-10 +- 3.39e-12 cm-2 GeV-1 s-1

Integral flux (10 GeV - 1 TeV) : 8.66e-09 +- 1.71e-10 cm-2 s-1Energy flux (10 GeV - TeV) : 4.91e-10 +- 1.66e-11 erg cm-2 s-1

*** Spectral points ***

e_min	e_max	Ilux	iiux_errn	Ilux_errp	e∠anae	e2anae_errn
e2dnde_	errp is_ul	flux_ul	e2dnde_u	l sqrt_ts		
GeV	GeV 1	/ (cm2 s)	1 / (cm2 s) 3	1 / (cm2 s)	erg / (cm2 s)	erg / (cm2 s)
erg / (cm2 s)	1 / (cm2	s) erg / (cm2	2 s)		
					_	
10.000	20.000	5.170e-09	1.334e-10	1.334e-10	1.642e-10	4.237e-12
4.237e-	12 False	nan	nan	125.157		
20.000	50.000	2.245e-09	8.672e-11	8.672e-11	1.181e-10	4.561e-12
4.561e-	12 False	nan	nan	88.715		
50.000	150.000	9.243e-10	5.497e-11	5.497e-11	1.087e-10	6.464e-12

nan 59.087

nan 33.076

nan 15.573

3.136e-11

1.692e-11

anda arra

9.757e-12

1.510e-11

9.230e-11

6.901e-11

/home/bornagain/miniconda3/envs/gammapy-0.20.1/lib/python3.8/site-packages/gammapy/catalog/fermi.py:1092: FutureWarning: Format strings passed to MaskedConstant are ignored, but in future may error or produce different behavior

2.916e-11

1.463e-11

```
ss += "{:<16s} : {:.3f}\n".format("Redshift", d["Redshift"])</pre>
```

```
[41]: mkn_421_3fhl = fermi_3fhl["3FHL J1104.4+3812"]

# or use any alias source name that is defined in the catalog
mkn_421_3fhl = fermi_3fhl["Mkn 421"]
print(mkn_421_3fhl.data["Signif_Avg"])
```

144.40611

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6.464e-12 False

1.049e-11 False

1.747e-11 False

500.000 2000.000

150.000 500.000

• Try to load the Fermi-LAT 2FHL catalog and check the total number of sources it contains.

- Select all the sources from the 2FHL catalog which are contained in the Galactic Center region. The methods ~gammapy.maps.WcsGeom.contains() and ~gammapy.catalog.SourceCatalog.positions might be helpful for this. Add markers for all these sources and try to add labels with the source names.
- Try to find the source class of the object at position ra=68.6803, dec=9.3331

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Spectral models and flux points

In the previous section we learned how access basic data from individual sources in the catalog. Now we will go one step further and explore the full spectral information of sources. We will learn how to:

- Plot spectral models
- Compute integral and energy fluxes
- Read and plot flux points

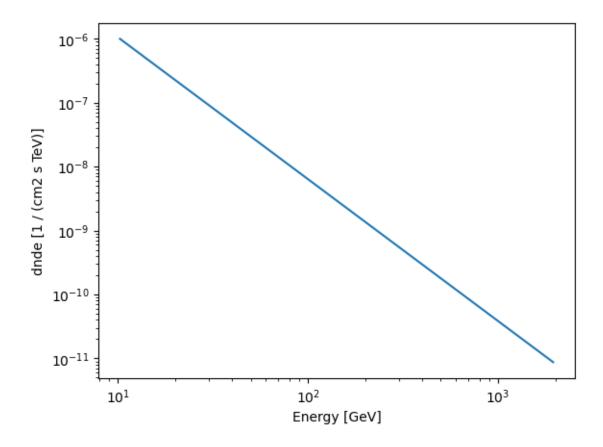
As a first example we will start with the Crab Nebula:

```
[42]: crab_3fhl = fermi_3fhl["Crab Nebula"]
crab_3fhl_spec = crab_3fhl.spectral_model()
print(crab_3fhl_spec)
```

PowerLawSpectralModel

The crab_3fhl_spec is an instance of the ~gammapy.modeling.models.PowerLaw2SpectralModel model, with the parameter values and errors taken from the 3FHL catalog.

Let's plot the spectral model in the energy range between 10 GeV and 2000 GeV:



We assign the return axes object to variable called ax_crab_3fhl, because we will re-use it later to plot the flux points on top.

To compute the differential flux at 100 GeV we can simply call the model like normal Python function and convert to the desired units:

```
[44]: crab_3fhl_spec(100 * u.GeV).to("cm-2 s-1 GeV-1")
```

[44]: $6.3848913 \times 10^{-12} \frac{1}{\text{GeV s cm}^2}$

Next we can compute the integral flux of the Crab between 10 GeV and 2000 GeV:

[45]: $8.6745734 \times 10^{-9} \frac{1}{\text{s cm}^2}$

We can easily convince ourself, that it corresponds to the value given in the Fermi-LAT 3FHL catalog:

[46]: crab_3fhl.data["Flux"]

[46]: $8.6589091 \times 10^{-9} \frac{1}{\text{s cm}^2}$

In addition we can compute the energy flux between 10 GeV and 2000 GeV:

```
[47]: crab_3fhl_spec.energy_flux(energy_min=10 * u.GeV, energy_max=2000 * u.GeV).to(
    "erg cm-2 s-1"
)
```

[47]: $5.3114892 \times 10^{-10} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s cm}^2}$

Next we will access the flux points data of the Crab:

```
[48]: print(crab_3fhl.flux_points)
```

FluxPoints

```
: RegionGeom
 geom
                         : ['lon', 'lat', 'energy']
 axes
                         : (1, 1, 5)
 shape
                         : ['norm', 'norm_errp', 'norm_errn', 'norm_ul',
 quantities
'sqrt_ts', 'is_ul']
 ref. model
                         : pl
                         : 1
 n_sigma
 n_sigma_ul
                         : 2
 sqrt_ts_threshold_ul
                         : 1
 sed type init
                         : flux
```

If you want to learn more about the different flux point formats you can read the specification here.

No we can check again the underlying astropy data structure by accessing the .table attribute:

```
[49]: crab_3fhl.flux_points.to_table(sed_type="dnde", formatted=True)
```

```
[49]: <Table length=5>
      e_ref
               e_{min}
                       e_max
                              ... sqrt_ts is_ul
       GeV
                GeV
                       GeV
     float64 float64 float64 ... float32 bool
        ----- ... -----
       14.142 10.000
                        20.000 ... 125.157 False
                        50.000 ... 88.715 False
       31.623 20.000
       86.603 50.000 150.000 ... 59.087 False
      273.861 150.000 500.000 ... 33.076 False
     1000.000 500.000 2000.000 ... 15.573 False
```

Finally let's combine spectral model and flux points in a single plot and scale with energy_power=2 to obtain the spectral energy distribution:

```
[]: ax = crab_3fhl_spec.plot(energy_bounds=[10, 2000] * u.GeV, energy_power=2)
ax = crab_3fhl_spec.plot_error(
    energy_bounds=[10, 2000] * u.GeV,
```

```
energy_power=2,
  facecolor="tab:blue"
)
crab_3fhl.flux_points.plot(ax=ax, sed_type="dnde", energy_power=2);
```

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• Plot the spectral model and flux points for PKS 2155-304 for the 3FGL and 2FHL catalogs. Try to plot the error of the model (aka "Butterfly") as well. Note this requires the uncertainties package to be installed on your machine.

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0.3 What next?

This was a quick introduction to some of the high level classes in Astropy and Gammapy.

- To learn more about those classes, go to the API docs (links are in the introduction at the top).
- To learn more about other parts of Gammapy (e.g. Fermi-LAT and TeV data analysis), check out the other tutorial notebooks.
- To see what's available in Gammapy, browse the Gammapy docs or use the full-text search.
- If you have any questions, ask on the mailing list.

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The description of the reconstructed parameters in the event list[1]:

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Index	Event Parameter (units)	Description
0	ENERGY (MeV)	Reconstructed energy of the event
1	RA (degrees)	Reconstructed direction of the event in Right Ascension
2	DEC (degrees)	Reconstructed direction of the event in Declination

Index	Event Parameter (units)	Description
3	L (degrees)	Reconstructed direction of the event in Galactic Longitude
4	B (degrees)	Reconstructed direction of the event in Galactic Latitude
5	THETA (degrees)	Reconstructed angle of incidence of the event with respect to the LAT boresight (+Z axis of the spacecraft - the line normal to the top surface of the LAT)
6	PHI (degrees)	Reconstructed angle of incidence of the event with respect to the +X axis (the line normal to the sun-facing side of the spacecraft)
7	ZENITH_ANGLE (degrees)	Angle between the reconstructed event direction and the zenith line (originates at the center of the Earth and passes through the center of mass of the spacecraft)
8	EARTH_AZIMUTH_ANGLE (degrees)	Angle of the reconstructed event direction with respect to North (line from spacecraft origin to north celestial pole) as projected onto a plane normal to the zenith. The angle is measured in degrees east of north, such that 90 degrees indicates that the event originated from the west
9	TIME (seconds)	Mission elapsed time when the event was detected (MET is the total number of seconds since 00:00:00 on January 1, 2001 UTC)
10	EVENT_ID	Sequence number for the event in the LAT data acquisition period
11	RUN_ID	Unique identifier for each LAT data acquisition period
12	RECON_VERSION	Version of event reconstruction software in use at the time the event was detected

Index	Event Parameter (units)	Description
13	CALIB_VERSION (3-element array)	Version of the calibration tables for the ACD, CAL, and TKR (in that order) in use at the time the event was detected. (This column is currently unused)
14	EVENT_CLASS	A bitfield indicating which event class selections a given event has passed. In Pass 8 the internal FITS format of this column has been changed from a 32-bit integer (TFORMn=J) to a 32-bit bit column (TFORMn=32X) and supports bitwise selections with the fselect FTOOL. Pass 8 populates a much larger number of bit values than Pass 7. Bits for the recommended event classes are bit 4 (P8R2_TRANSIENT020), bit 7 (P8R2_SOURCE), and bit 10
15	EVENT_TYPE	(P8R2_ULTRACLEANVETO) A bitfield indicating which event type selections a given event has passed. This column is a 32-bit bit column (TFORMn=32X) and supports bitwise selections
16	CONVERSION_TYPE	with fselect. Indicates whether the event induced pair production in the front (thin) layers or the back (thick) layers of the tracker (front=0, back=1)

Index	Event Parameter (units)	Description
17	LIVETIME (seconds)	A short-term measure of accumulated livetime of the LAT. This value can have gaps and it resets every few seconds. For large time intervals, the LIVETIME documented in the spacecraft file is correct. However, for short time
		intervals, this LIVETIME value can be compared between two events to gauge the fraction of dead time
18	DIFRSP0	Diffuse response for an additional component (currently unused)
19	DIFRSP1	Diffuse response for an additional component (currently unused)
20	DIFRSP2	Diffuse response for an additional component (currently unused)
21	DIFRSP3	Diffuse response for an additional component (currently unused)
22	DIFRSP4	Diffuse response for an additional component (currently unused)

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