#### **Spectroscopic Trace tutorial**

This tutorial will walk through the derivation of a spectroscopic trace model and extraction using astropy tools.

A spectroscopic trace is the path of a point source (star) spectrum through a two-dimensional dispersed spectrum. The trace is needed because, in general, spectra are not perfectly aligned with the axes of a detector.

## Step 1: Examine the spectrum

We'll work with a 2D spectrum that contains *no* attached metadata, so we have to infer many of the features ourselves.

All we know is that this is a spectrum of a star, Aldebaran.

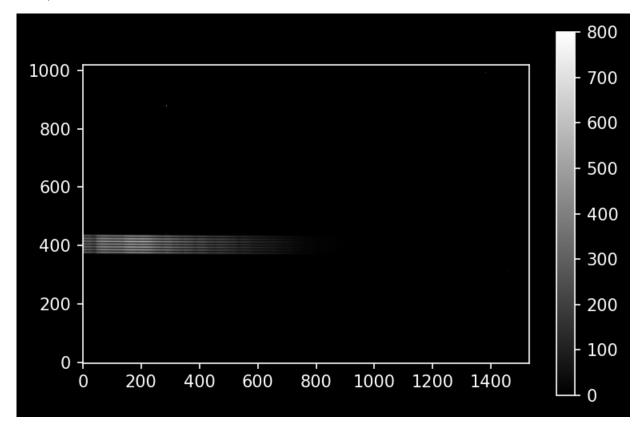
Our data are, strangely, in the form of .bmp (bitmap) files, so we need PIL (Python Imaging Library) to open them.

```
In [1]: from PIL import Image
        import numpy as np
        from astropy.io import fits
        import glob
        from PIL import Image as PILImage
        import numpy as np
        import pylab as pl
        pl.rcParams['image.origin'] = 'lower' # we want to show images, not matrices, so
        pl.matplotlib.style.use('dark_background') # Optional configuration: if run, thi
        from astropy import units as u
        from astropy.modeling.polynomial import Polynomial1D
        from astropy.modeling.models import Gaussian1D, Linear1D
        from astropy.modeling.fitting import LinearLSQFitter
        from IPython.display import Image
        # astroquery provides an interface to the NIST atomic line database
        from astroquery.nist import Nist
        import glob
        import os
        from astropy.io import fits
```

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In [2]: spectrum_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data_dr
spectrum_filename
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In [4]: %matplotlib inline
    import pylab as pl
    pl.rcParams['image.origin'] = 'lower'
    pl.rcParams['figure.dpi'] = 150
    pl.matplotlib.style.use('dark_background') # Optional!
    pl.imshow(image_data, cmap='gray', vmax=0, vmin=800)
    pl.colorbar()
```

Out[4]: <matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x1e0e27feac0>



The main goal of the trace is to obtain a two-dimensional model f(x) defining the position of the light along the detector.

We're going to start by assuming that wavelength dispersion is in the X-direction and the Y-direction is entirely spatial. This is an approximation, but evidently (by looking at the image), it's a decent one.

# Step 1b. Extract a single spectrum to further trace

We can't follow the same process as before because we now have 7 spectra. We need to trace each of them

We do this by finding linear cuts between the spectra. This is easiest to do by drawing a line in ds9 and calculating its slope:

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In [5]: # I drew a line between the top two spectra
        dy = -3.7
        dx = 871
        slope = dy/dx
In [6]:
        ystart = 365
        yend = 441
In [7]: | image_array = np.array(image_data)
        image_array = image_array - np.median(image_array)
        pl.imshow(image array[ystart:yend,:])
        pl.plot([0,1000], 65 + np.array([0,1000]) * slope, color='w')
        pl.gca().set_aspect(10)
          70
          60
          50
          40
          30
          20
```

1000

800

1200

1400

We can repeat this every *n* pixels:

200

400

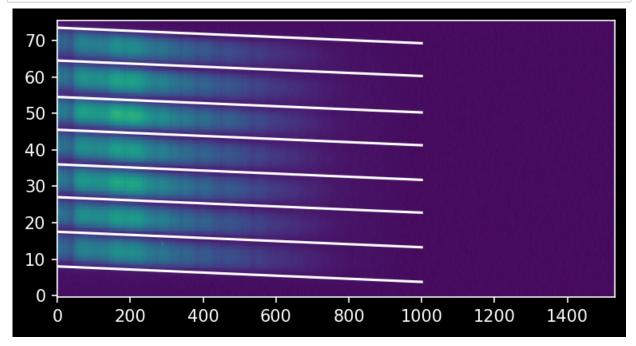
600

10

0 -

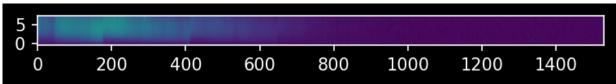
0

```
In [8]: intertrace_cuts = np.array([ 8, 17.5, 27, 36, 45.5, 54.5, 64.5, 73.5])
    image_array = np.array(image_data)
    image_array = image_array - np.median(image_array)
    pl.imshow(image_array[ystart:yend,:])
    pl.plot([0,1000], intertrace_cuts + np.array([0,1000])[:,None] * slope, color='w
    pl.gca().set_aspect(10)
```



We're then going to use the technique from Step 4 below to cut these out:





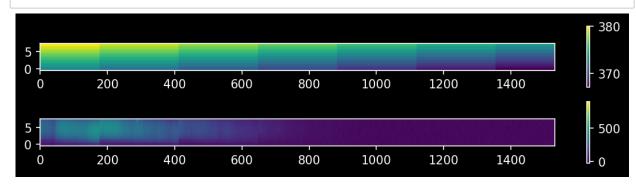
We can now proceed with this somewhat awkward cutout.

## Step 2: Use moment analysis to extract a spine to trace

We can use moments to get measurements of all the data.

Note that we need to subtract off the background to avoid a bias toward the center, so we use the median of the image as our background estimate.

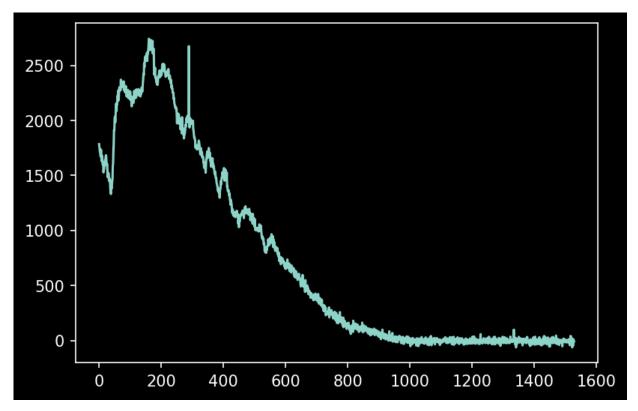
```
In [12]: pl.figure(figsize=(8,2))
    im = pl.subplot(2,1,1).imshow(yaxis)
    pl.colorbar(mappable=im)
    pl.gca().set_aspect(10);
    im = pl.subplot(2,1,2).imshow(cutout_trace)
    pl.colorbar(mappable=im)
    pl.gca().set_aspect(10);
    pl.tight_layout();
```



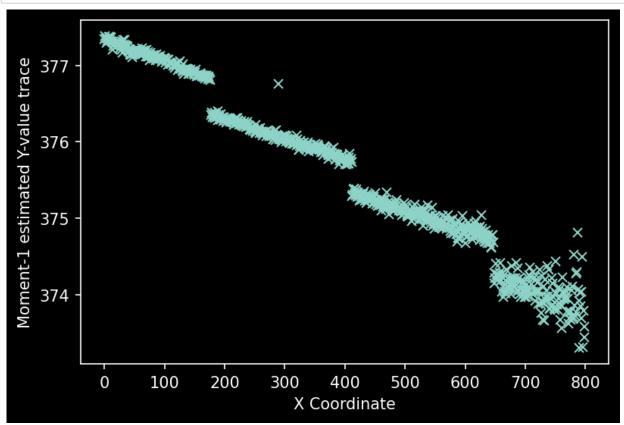
Plot the sum of the trace to see where it cuts off (if the trace sums to zero, it's no good - average will break)

```
In [13]: pl.plot(cutout_trace.sum(axis=0))
```

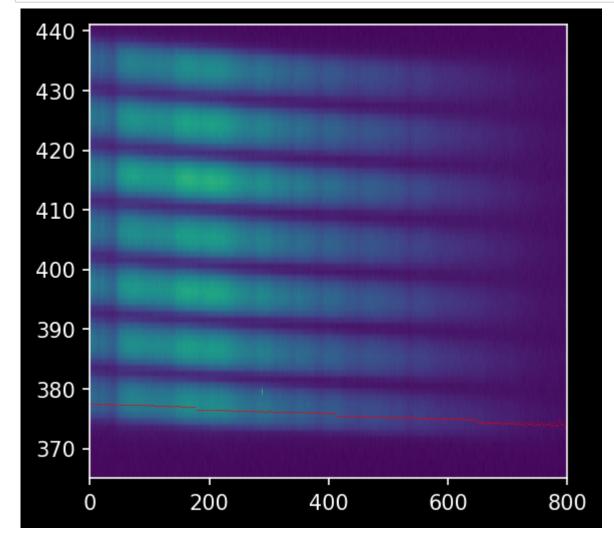
Out[13]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1e0e2935a90>]



We slim down the cutout to just the zone with significant detections

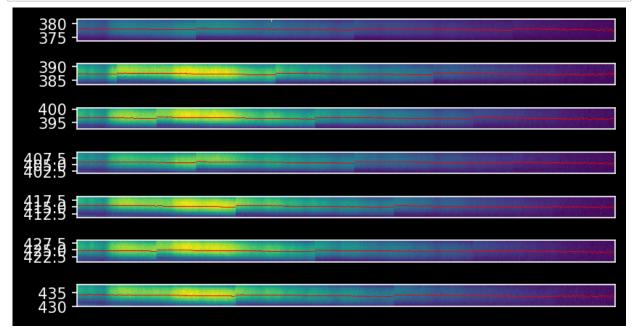


Overplot the "weighted", centroid locations on the data to verify they look reasonable.



We can repeat this for each:

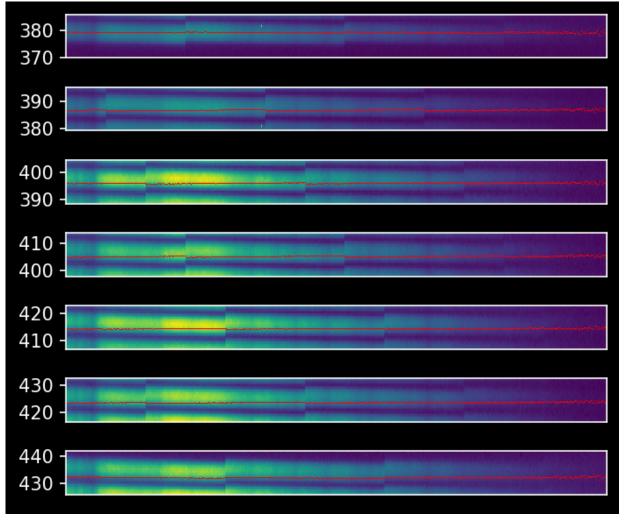
```
In [17]: pl.figure(figsize=(8,3))
         traces = {}
         for trace index in range(len(intertrace cuts)-1):
             yoffset = ystart + (intertrace cuts[trace index] + intertrace cuts[trace inde
             trace center = yoffset + slope * xvals
             cutout trace = np.array([image array[int(yval)-npixels to cut:int(yval)+npixe
                                 for yval, ii in zip(trace center, xvals)]).T
             yaxis = np.array([yaxis_full[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut
                              for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)]).T
             weighted_yaxis_values = np.average(yaxis[:,:xend], axis=0,
                                            weights=cutout_trace[:,:xend])
             # it takes a little mental gymnastics to get to this, but: to show the trace
             # we need to calculate the local version
             local_weighted_yaxis_values = np.average(np.arange(npixels_to_cut*2)[:,None]
                                                       axis=0, weights=cutout trace[:,:xend
             traces[trace_index] = weighted_yaxis_values
             ax = pl.subplot(7, 1, trace index+1)
             ax.imshow(cutout trace[:,:xend], extent=[0, xend, yoffset-npixels to cut, yof
             ax.plot(xvals[:xend], yoffset - npixels_to_cut + local_weighted_yaxis_values|
             ax.set aspect(4)
             ax.set xticks([])
         pl.tight_layout()
```



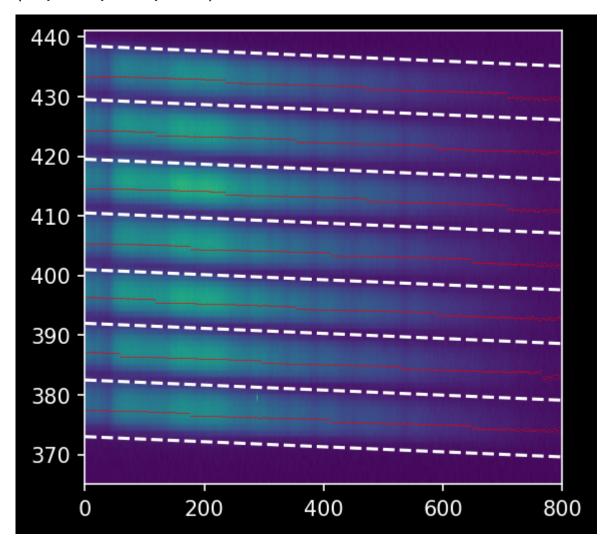
#### **IMPORTANT** aside:

What happens if npixels\_to\_cut is too big?

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In [18]: npixels to cut good = npixels to cut
         npixels_to_cut = 8
         for trace index in range(len(intertrace cuts)-1):
             yoffset = ystart + (intertrace_cuts[trace_index] + intertrace_cuts[trace_index]
             trace_center = yoffset + slope * xvals
             cutout trace = np.array([image array[int(yval)-npixels to cut:int(yval)+npixe
                                 for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)]).T
             yaxis = np.array([yaxis_full[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut
                              for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)]).T
             weighted_yaxis_values = np.average(yaxis[:,:xend], axis=0,
                                             weights=cutout_trace[:,:xend])
             local_weighted_yaxis_values = np.average(np.arange(npixels_to_cut*2)[:,None]
                                                       axis=0, weights=cutout_trace[:,:xend
             ax = pl.subplot(7, 1, trace_index+1)
             ax.imshow(cutout_trace[:,:xend], extent=[0, xend, yoffset-npixels_to_cut, yof
             ax.plot(xvals[:xend], yoffset - npixels_to_cut + local_weighted_yaxis_values|
             ax.set_aspect(4)
             ax.set xticks([])
         pl.tight_layout()
         npixels_to_cut = npixels_to_cut_good
```



Out[19]: (0.0, 800.0, 365.0, 441.0)

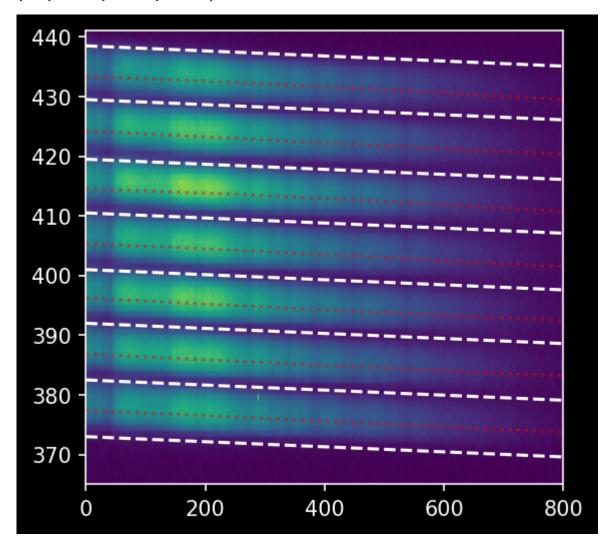


#### Step 3. Fit the trace profile

We want a model f(x) that gives the y-value of the centroid as a function of x.

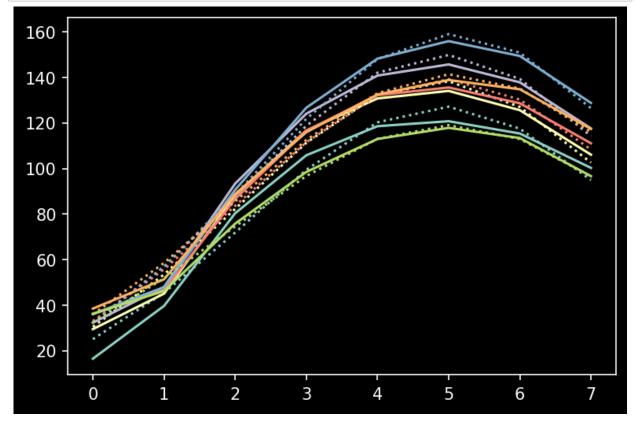
```
In [20]: from astropy.modeling.polynomial import Polynomial1D
from astropy.modeling.fitting import LinearLSQFitter
```

Out[23]: (0.0, 800.0, 365.0, 441.0)



### Step 4. Obtain the trace profile

```
In [24]: from astropy.modeling.models import Gaussian1D
    from astropy.modeling.fitting import LevMarLSQFitter
    lmfitter = LevMarLSQFitter()
    guess = Gaussian1D(amplitude=160, mean=0, stddev=5)
```

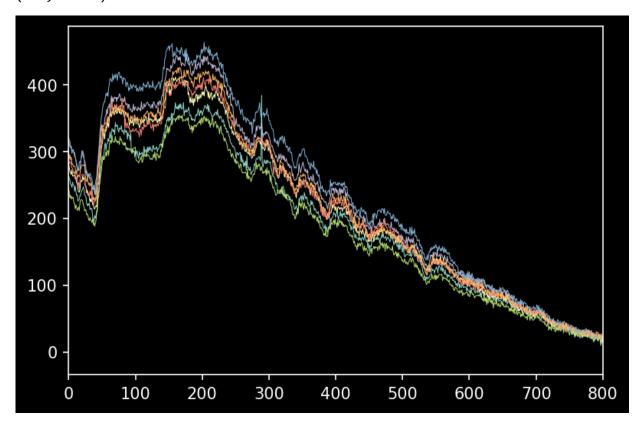


Now we want to fit that profile with a Gaussian, so we import the Gaussian model profile and non-linear fitter and run a fit:

## Step 5. Extract the traced spectra

```
In [27]: for index in spectra:
    pl.plot(spectra[index], linewidth=0.5)
    pl.xlim(0,800)
```

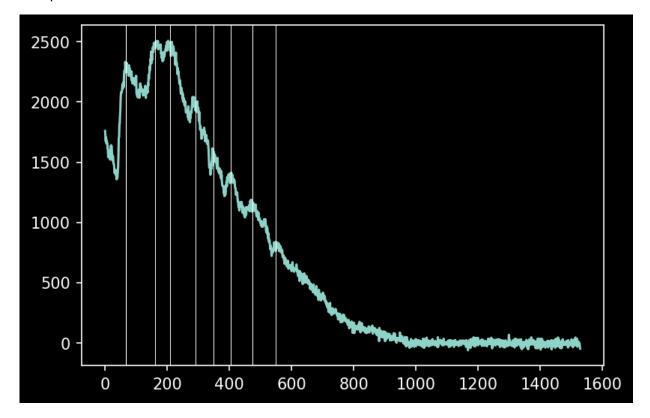
#### Out[27]: (0.0, 800.0)



In general, the trace-weighted average will have higher signal-to-noise.

```
In [151]: pl.plot(cutout_trace.sum(axis=0))
    pl.axvline(x=68 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=160 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=210 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=290 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=350 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=405 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=475 , lw=0.5)
    pl.axvline(x=550 , lw=0.5)
```

Out[151]: <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1e0f1673580>



Which lines can you see in both the solar spectrum and the calibration lamp spectra? (hint: you should know the answer to this question from past astronomy classes and should just verify that your expectations are met)

you can probably see magnesium and hydrogen as their lines should be 486 nm for Hydrogen.470 and 550 nm for magnesium

http://www.columbia.edu/~vjd1/Solar%20Spectrum%20Ex.html (http://www.columbia.edu/~vjd1/Solar%20Spectrum%20Ex.html)

## Step 6: Repeat for another file

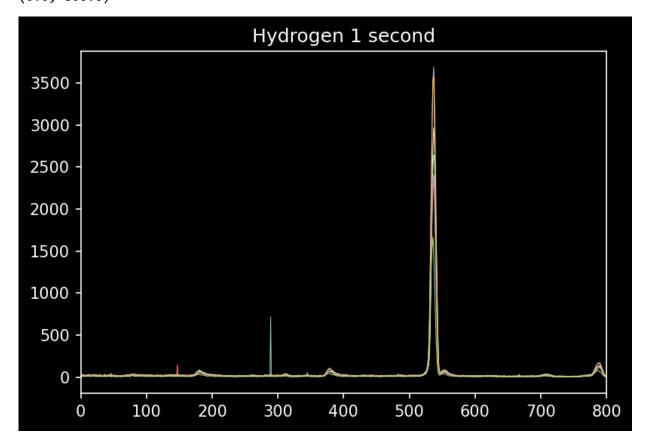
In [28]: h1s filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data dropbox h5s filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data dropbox halogen clear1s filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\ halogen clear5s filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\ halogen\_blue1s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\[ halogen\_blue5s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\[ halogen green1s filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\ halogen green5s filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\ halogen\_red1s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Da halogen\_red5s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Da he100ms filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data drd hg1s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data\_dropbo hg5s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data\_dropbo he1s\_filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data\_dropbo ne100ms filename = "\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\\UF\\Obs Tech 2\\Data dro

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In [29]: h1s image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee (
                               axis=0)
                       np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee 0'Donnell\\OneDrive\
         image array2 = h1s image data
         h5s image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee (
                               axis=0)
                       - np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\
         image array3 = h5s image data
         halogen1s image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\S\
                               axis=0)
                       np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\
                                 axis=0)
         image array4 = halogen1s image data
         halogen5s image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\S\
                               axis=0)
                       np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\
                                 axis=0)
         image array5 = halogen5s image data
         he100ms image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydr
                               axis=0)
                       np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\
                                 axis=0)
         image array6 = he100ms image data
         hg1s_image_data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee
                               axis=0)
                        np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee 0'Donnell\\OneDrive\
                                 axis=0)
         image array7 = hg1s image data
         hg5s image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee
                               axis=0)
                       np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee 0'Donnell\\OneDrive\
         image array8 = hg5s image data
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ne100ms image data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydr
                               axis=0)
                        - np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                   for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee 0'Donnell\\OneDrive\
                                  axis=0)
         image array9 = ne100ms image data
         overhead100ms_image_data = (np.mean([fits.getdata(x) for x in glob.glob("\\Users
                               axis=0)
                        np.mean([fits.getdata(x)
                                  for x in glob.glob("\\Users\\Sydnee O'Donnell\\OneDrive\
                                 axis=0)
         image array10 = overhead100ms image data
In [30]:
         spectra2 = {}
         for trace_index, polymodel_trace in fitted_polymodels.items():
             trace_center = polymodel_trace(xvals)
             model trace profile = fitted trace profile(trace profile xaxis)
             trace avg spectrum = np.array([np.average(
                     image_array2[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut, ii],
                     weights=model_trace_profile)
                                         for yval, ii in zip(trace center, xvals)])
             spectra2[trace_index] = trace_avg_spectrum
```

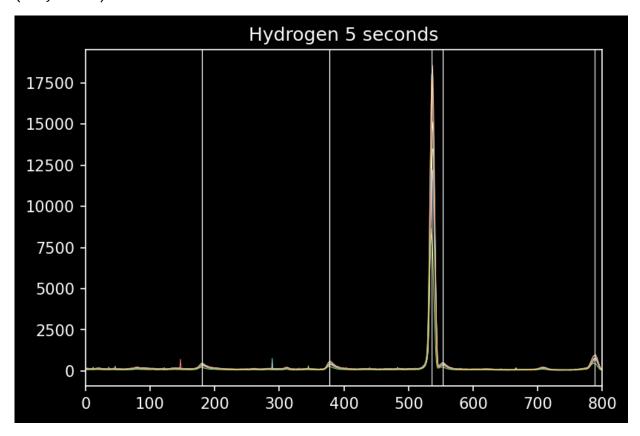
```
In [31]: for index in spectra2:
    pl.plot(spectra2[index], linewidth=0.5)
    pl.title('Hydrogen 1 second')
    pl.xlim(0,800)
```

Out[31]: (0.0, 800.0)



```
In [63]: spectra3 = {}
         for trace_index, polymodel_trace in fitted_polymodels.items():
             trace center = polymodel trace(xvals)
             model trace profile = fitted trace profile(trace profile xaxis)
             trace_avg_spectrum = np.array([np.average(
                     image_array3[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut, ii],
                     weights=model_trace_profile)
                                         for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)])
             spectra3[trace_index] = trace_avg_spectrum
         for index in spectra3:
             pl.plot(spectra3[index], linewidth=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=180, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=378, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=536, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=553, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=788, lw=0.5)
             pl.title('Hydrogen 5 seconds')
         pl.xlim(0,800)
```

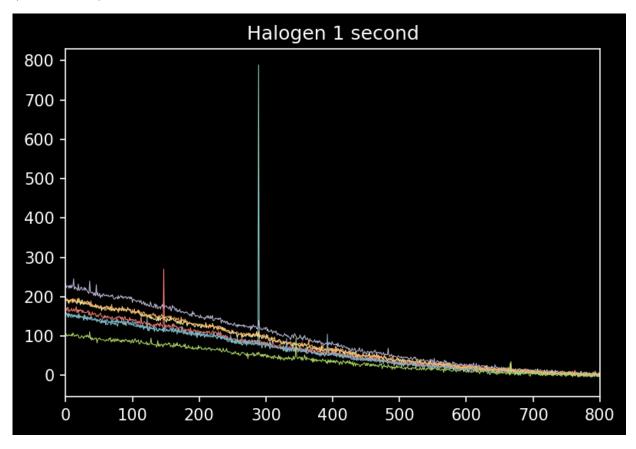
Out[63]: (0.0, 800.0)



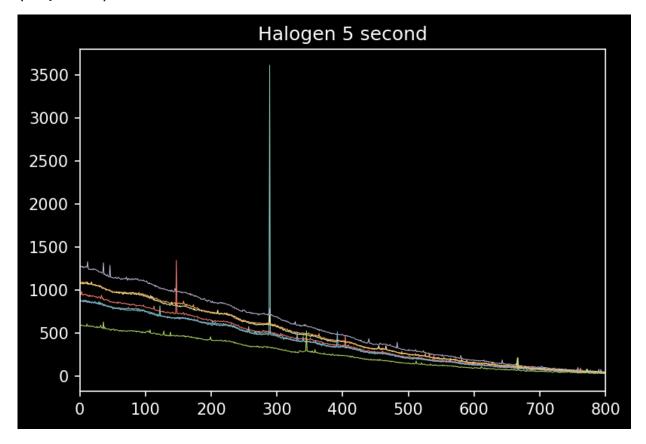
What lines are in the hydrogen spectrum that are not hydrogen? Report their wavelengths. (there are at least four prominent ones that you should note, but there may be more)

x lines at wavelengths

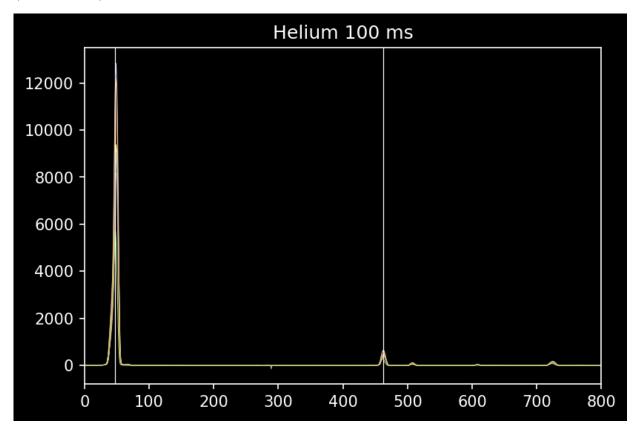
Out[33]: (0.0, 800.0)



Out[34]: (0.0, 800.0)

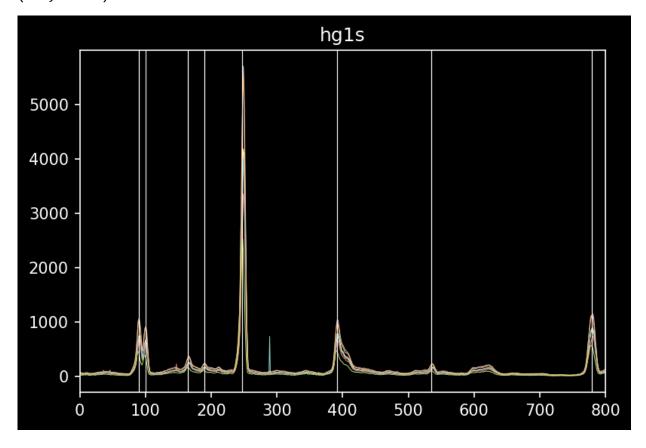


Out[70]: (0.0, 800.0)



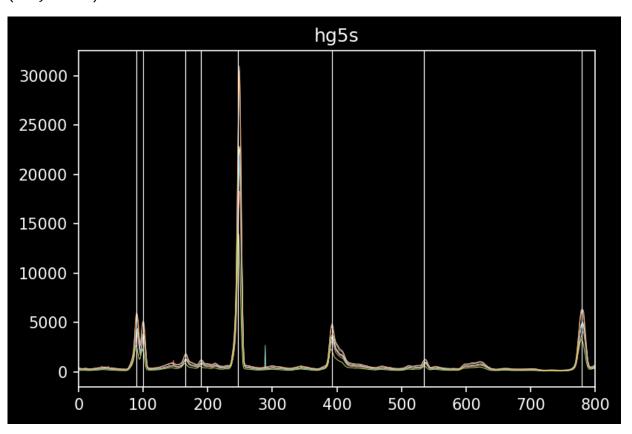
```
In [99]: spectra7 = {}
         for trace_index, polymodel_trace in fitted_polymodels.items():
             trace center = polymodel trace(xvals)
             model trace profile = fitted trace profile(trace profile xaxis)
             trace_avg_spectrum = np.array([np.average(
                     image_array7[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut, ii],
                     weights=model_trace_profile)
                                         for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)])
             spectra7[trace_index] = trace_avg_spectrum
         for index in spectra7:
             pl.plot(spectra7[index], linewidth=0.5)
             pl.title('hg1s')
             pl.axvline(x=90, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=100, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=165, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=190, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=247, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=392, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=535, lw=0.5)
             pl.axvline(x=779, lw=0.5)
         pl.xlim(0,800)
```

Out[99]: (0.0, 800.0)



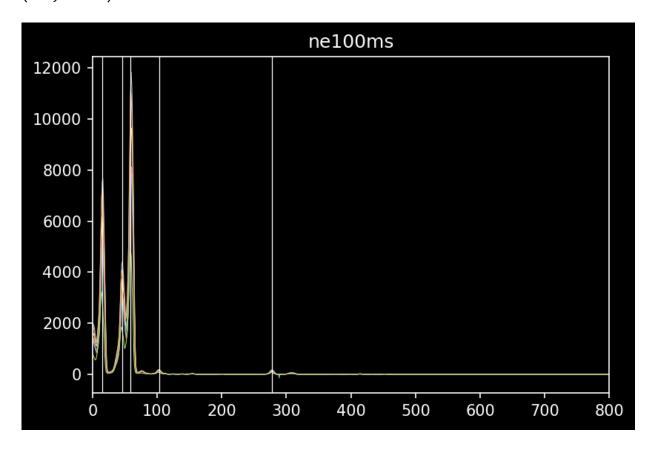
```
In [100]: spectra8 = {}
          for trace index, polymodel trace in fitted polymodels.items():
              trace_center = polymodel_trace(xvals)
              model_trace_profile = fitted_trace_profile(trace_profile_xaxis)
              trace avg spectrum = np.array([np.average(
                       image_array8[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut, ii],
                      weights=model_trace_profile)
                                          for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)])
              spectra8[trace_index] = trace_avg_spectrum
          for index in spectra8:
              pl.plot(spectra8[index], linewidth=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=90, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=100, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=165, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=190, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=247, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=392, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=535, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=779, lw=0.5)
              pl.title('hg5s')
          pl.xlim(0,800)
```

#### Out[100]: (0.0, 800.0)



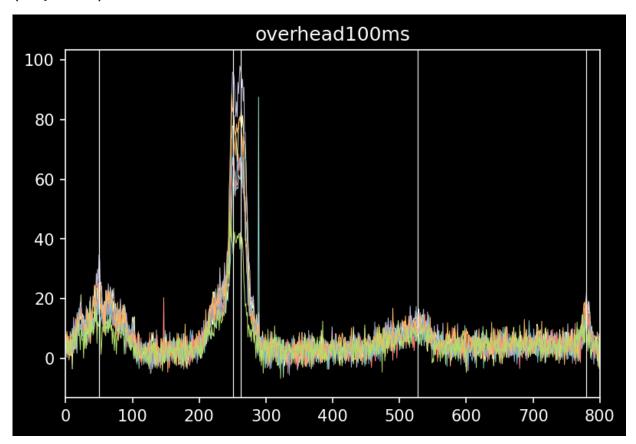
```
In [117]: | spectra9 = {}
          for trace_index, polymodel_trace in fitted_polymodels.items():
              trace center = polymodel trace(xvals)
              model_trace_profile = fitted_trace_profile(trace_profile_xaxis)
              trace_avg_spectrum = np.array([np.average(
                       image_array9[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut, ii],
                      weights=model_trace_profile)
                                          for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)])
              spectra9[trace_index] = trace_avg_spectrum
          for index in spectra9:
              pl.plot(spectra9[index], linewidth=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=15, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=46, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=59, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=103, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=278, lw=0.5)
              pl.title('ne100ms')
          pl.xlim(0,800)
```

#### Out[117]: (0.0, 800.0)



```
In [166]: | spectra10 = {}
          for trace_index, polymodel_trace in fitted_polymodels.items():
              trace center = polymodel trace(xvals)
              model_trace_profile = fitted_trace_profile(trace_profile_xaxis)
              trace_avg_spectrum = np.array([np.average(
                      image_array10[int(yval)-npixels_to_cut:int(yval)+npixels_to_cut, ii],
                      weights=model_trace_profile)
                                         for yval, ii in zip(trace_center, xvals)])
              spectra10[trace_index] = trace_avg_spectrum
          for index in spectra10:
              pl.plot(spectra10[index], linewidth=0.5)
              pl.title('overhead100ms')
              pl.axvline(x=50, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=251, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=262, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=527, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=780, lw=0.5)
              pl.axvline(x=68, lw=0.5)
          pl.xlim(0,800)
```

Out[166]: (0.0, 800.0)



What lines are in the overhead lamp spectrum? Can you identify any ingredients of the lamp? (there are at least two identifiable lines, plus a few others that might be detectable if they're not too broad)

magnesium, hydrogen, maybe iron

http://www.columbia.edu/~vjd1/Solar%20Spectrum%20Ex.html (http://www.columbia.edu/~vjd1/Solar%20Spectrum%20Ex.html)

Measure again: What is the angle of the system, based on the calculations you did in your lab and the central wavelength of these data? Is it different from what you turned in previously? If so, by how much? Speculate on why!

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In [175]: #Lam = np.median(cutout trace.sum(axis=0))
           #lam = np.median(model trace profile)
           #lam=np.median(yoffset - npixels_to_cut + local_weighted_yaxis_values[:xend])
In [193]: lam2 = np.median(trace_avg_spectrum) # median of the average spectrum, makes most
In [194]: | lam = np.median(tracefit(xvals[:xend])) # closest to what I expect the value to be
In [195]: # en
           D = 830
           ne_ang = np.arcsin(lam/D)
           ne ang = ne ang*u.rad
          ne_ang.to(u.deg)
Out[195]: 31.339343°
In [197]: |# probably right but unit off
          D = 830
           ne_ang = np.arcsin((lam2*100)/D)
           ne ang = ne ang*u.rad
          ne ang.to(u.deg)
Out[197]: 27.674714°
           this is probably wrong. Commented are other methods I tried for lambda. I wasn't too sure which
           value to use for the lambda value
  In [ ]:
```