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# Gammapy: a python package for (not only) gamma-ray astronomy

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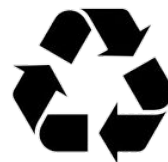
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In the age of open data it is of maximum importance to be

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Data and metadata should be **easy to find for humans and computers**



Once the data is found, it should be clear how it is **accessed, including authentication**

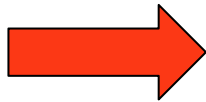
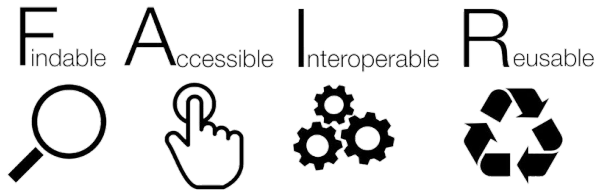


The data should be easy to **integrate with other data** and analysis and storage workflows



The **reuse of data** should be **optimized** through data and metadata description

# Open science is not only open data



To achieve true interoperability and reusability of science products, the **analysis software must also follow the same philosophy** as the formats

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## Introducing the FAIR Principles for research software

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### Abstract

Research software is a fundamental and vital part of research, yet significant challenges to discoverability, productivity, quality, reproducibility, and sustainability exist. Improving the practice of scholarship is a common goal of the open science, open source, and FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable) communities and research software is now being understood as a type of digital object to which FAIR should be applied. This emergence reflects a maturation of the research community to better understand the crucial role of FAIR research software in maximising research value. The FAIR for Research Software (FAIR4RS) Working Group has adapted the FAIR Guiding Principles to create the FAIR Principles for Research Software (FAIR4RS Principles). The contents and context of the FAIR4RS Principles are summarised here to provide the basis for discussion of their adoption. Examples of implementation by organisations are provided to share information on how to maximise the value of research outputs, and to encourage others to amplify the importance and impact of this work.

# $\gamma\pi$ A **Python** package for **gamma-ray** astronomy

The core library for the CTA scientific analysis tools!  
*But it's used (or tested) by many other experiments!*  
**An astropy associate package!**

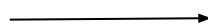
Core dependencies



A. Donath et al., *Gammapy: A Python package for gamma-ray astronomy*, [2023, A&A, 678, A157](#)

- v1.0 release (Long Term Stable) 2022 Nov 10th
- v1.2 feature release 2024 February 29th
- v1.3 next feature release planned for October 2024

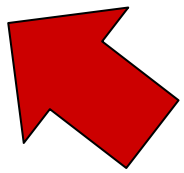
Core data format: **GADF**



A big push towards VO-compliant  
FAIR data format: **VODF**



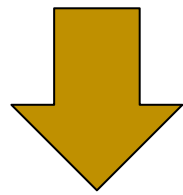
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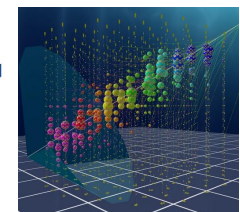
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Slewing Gamma-Ray instruments

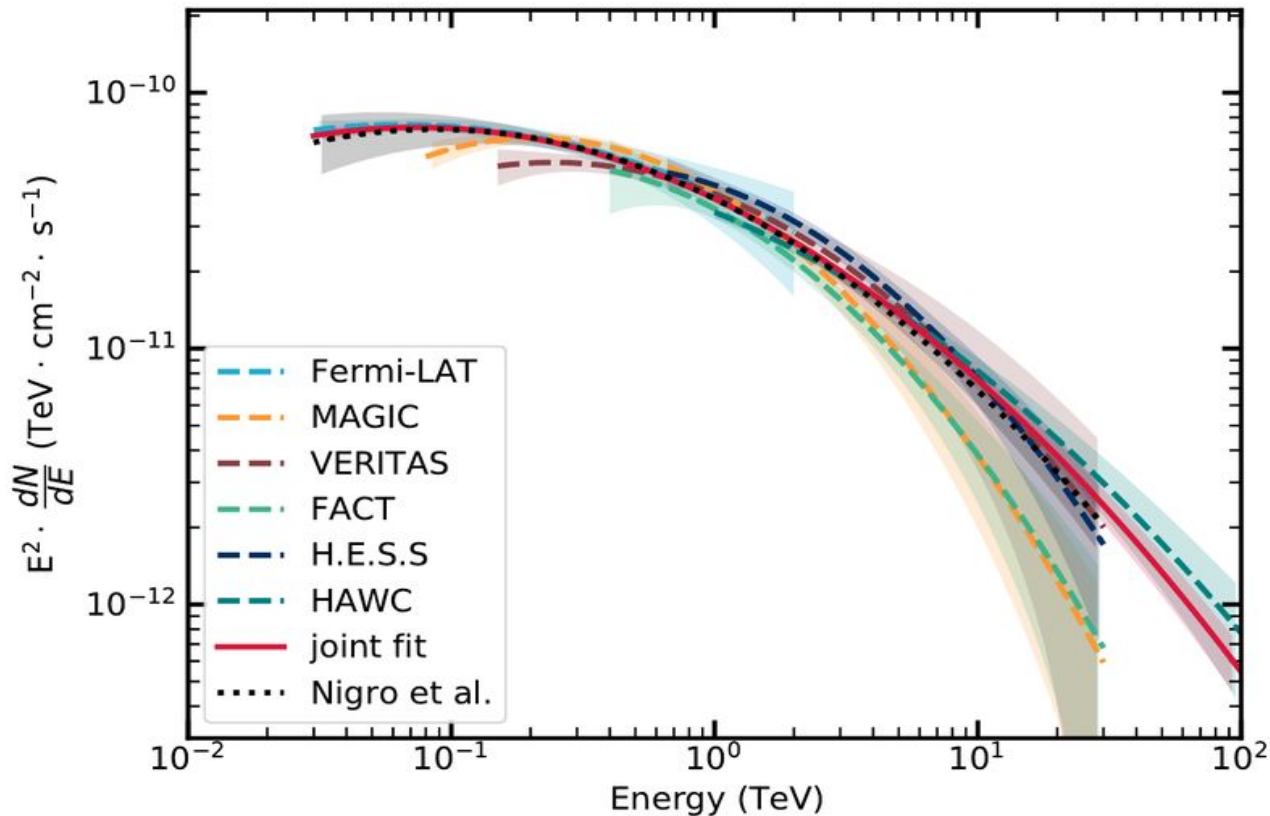
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KM3NeT



# The power of interoperability with $\gamma\pi$ A Python package for gamma-ray astronomy



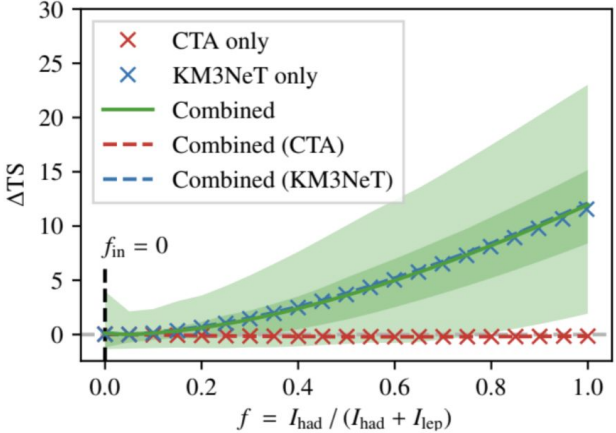
An example of the power of interoperability: the crab nebula joint fit using Gammapy. From: A. Albert et al., *Validation of standardized data formats and tools for ground-level particle based gamma-ray observatories*, 2022, A&A 667

# The power of interoperability with

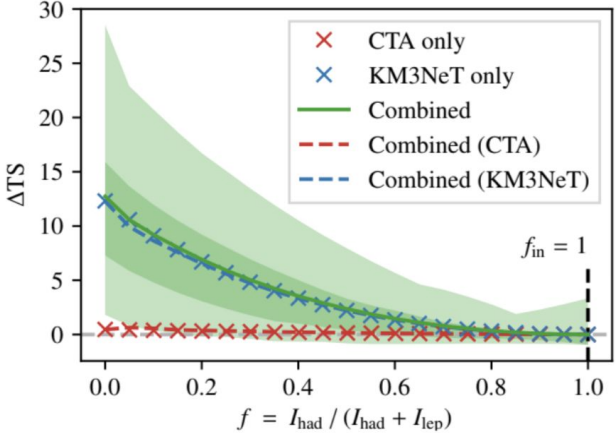


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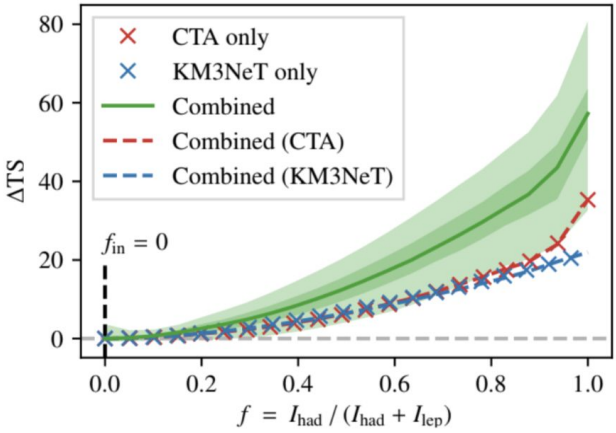
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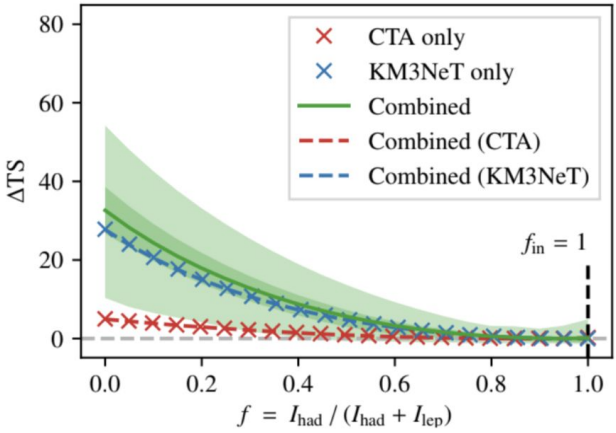
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Vela X



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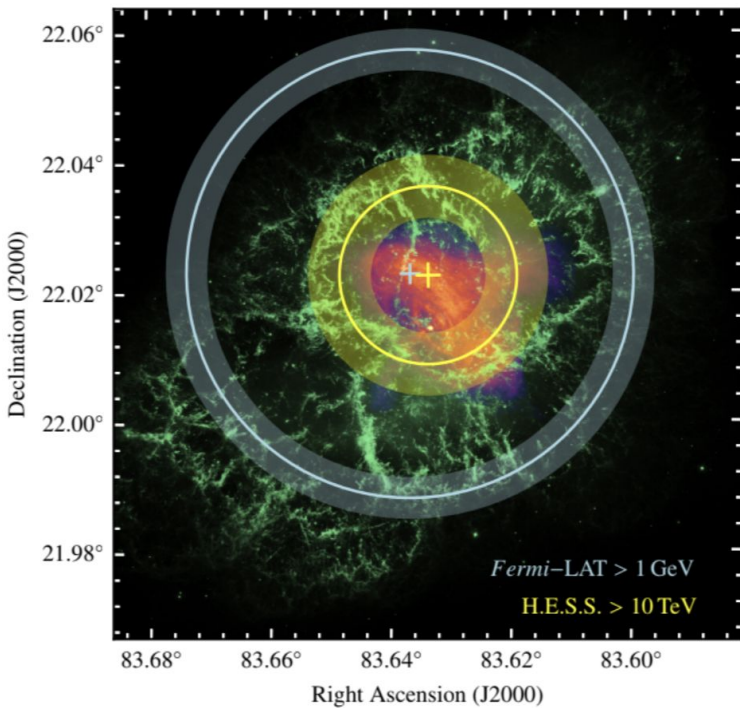
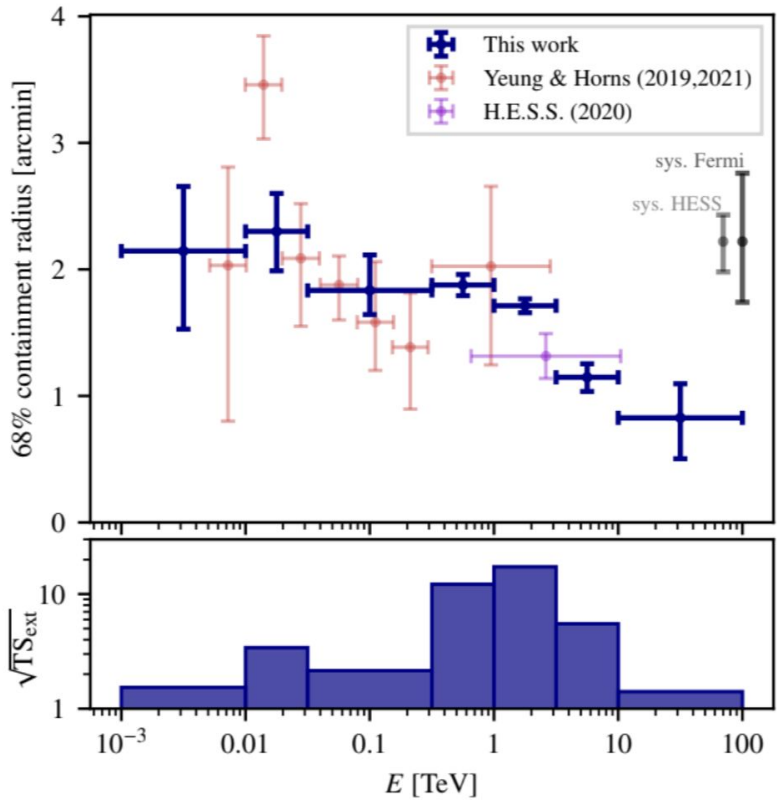
Validation of gammapy in joint analyses with CTA and KM3Net: fit of simulated leptonic and hadronic emission scenarios from different sources (Vela X SNR/Westerlund cluster)

From T. Unbehaun, et al., *Prospects for combined analyses of hadronic emission from  $\gamma$ -ray sources in the Milky Way with CTA and KM3NeT*, Eur. Phys. J. C, 2024

# The power of interoperability with



A Python package for  
**gamma-ray** astronomy



Extension of the Crab nebula as seen by Fermi and H.E.S.S. joint fit using Gammapy. From: F. Aharonian et al., *Spectrum and extension of the inverse-Compton emission of the Crab Nebula from a combined Fermi-LAT and H.E.S.S. analysis*, A&A 2024



# Have a look!

<https://gammapy.org/>



Gammapy is an open-source Python package for gamma-ray astronomy built on [Numpy](#), [Scipy](#) and [Astropy](#). It is used as core library for the Science Analysis tools of the [Cherenkov Telescope Array \(CTA\)](#), recommended by the [H.E.S.S.](#) collaboration to be used for Science publications, and is already widely used in the analysis of existing gamma-ray instruments, such as [MAGIC](#), [VERITAS](#) and [HAWC](#).

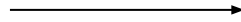
## News:

Feb. 29th, 2024:	Minor version release v1.2
Dec. 6th, 2023:	Bug fix release v1.0.2
Oct. 23rd, 2023:	Publication of the first Gammapy paper in <a href="#">A&amp;A</a> (accepted: 7th July 2023) as highlighted paper ( <a href="#">link</a> )

Please remember to [acknowledge and cite](#) the use of Gammapy!




# Get it now!

<https://docs.gammapy.org/1.2/>



<https://docs.gammapy.org/1.2/getting-started/index.html>

The screenshot shows the Gammapy documentation website. The navigation bar at the top has a dark blue background with the Gammapy logo on the left and several menu items: 'Getting started', 'User guide', 'Tutorials', 'API reference', 'Developer guide', and 'Release notes'. The 'Tutorials' link is highlighted with a red box. To the right of the menu items are icons for version selection (showing '1.2'), GitHub, Twitter, and a hamburger menu icon. Below the navigation bar is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Search the docs ...'. On the left side, there is a vertical list of navigation links: 'Installation', 'Virtual Environments', 'Using Gammapy', and 'Troubleshooting'. The main content area is titled 'Quickstart Setup'. It contains a paragraph explaining that the best way to get started is through the 'Tutorials' and that a pre-defined conda environment file is provided. Below this is a code block showing the commands to download and create the environment. There are two 'Note' boxes: the first one mentions that on Windows, some optional dependencies like 'sherpa' and 'healpy' are not available; the second one mentions that for Apple silicon M1 (arm64) architectures, the 'sherpa' entry should be deleted from the environment file, but it can be installed later using 'python -m pip install sherpa'. Below the notes is another paragraph stating that once the environment is created, it can be activated using a specific command, followed by a code block showing the activation command. The final paragraph explains that users can now proceed to download tutorial notebooks and example datasets, with a total size of approximately 180 MB, and provides instructions on how to proceed with the following commands.

Getting started User guide **Tutorials** API reference Developer guide Release notes 1.2   

Search the docs ...

Installation  
Virtual Environments  
Using Gammapy  
Troubleshooting

## Quickstart Setup

The best way to get started and learn Gammapy are the **Tutorials**. For convenience we provide a pre-defined conda environment file, so you can get additional useful packages together with Gammapy in a virtual isolated environment. First install **Miniconda** and then just execute the following commands in the terminal:

```
$ curl -O https://gammapy.org/download/install/gammapy-1.2-environment.yml  
$ conda env create -f gammapy-1.2-environment.yml
```

**Note**

On Windows, you have to open up the conda environment file and delete the lines with **sherpa** and **healpy**. Those are optional dependencies that currently aren't available on Windows.

**Note**

For Apple silicon M1 (**arm64**) architectures you also have to open the environment file and delete the **sherpa** entry, as currently there are no conda packages available. However you can later install **sherpa** in the environment using `python -m pip install sherpa`.

Once the environment has been created you can activate it using:

```
$ conda activate gammapy-1.2
```

You can now proceed to download the Gammapy tutorial notebooks and the example datasets. The total size to download is ~180 MB. Select the location where you want to install the datasets and proceed with the following commands:

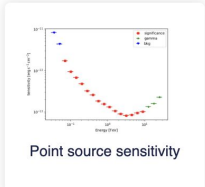
# Introduction

The following three tutorials show different ways of how to use Gammapy to perform a complete data analysis, from data selection to data reduction and finally modeling and fitting.

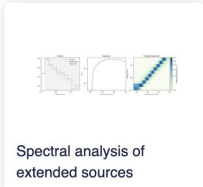
The first tutorial is an overview on how to perform a standard analysis workflow using the high level interface in a configuration-driven approach, whilst the second deals with the same use-case using the low level API and showing what is happening *under-the-hood*. The third tutorial shows a glimpse of how to handle different basic data structures like event lists, source catalogs, sky maps, spectral models and flux points tables.

# Tutorial gallery

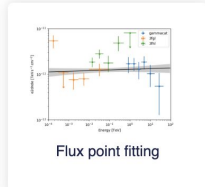
## 1D Spectral



Point source sensitivity

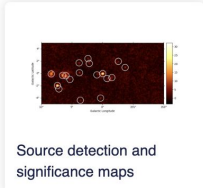


Spectral analysis of extended sources

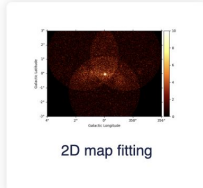


Flux point fitting

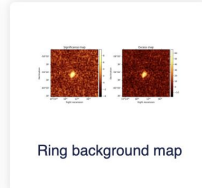
## 2D Image



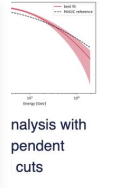
Source detection and significance maps



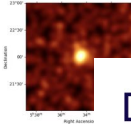
2D map fitting



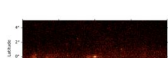
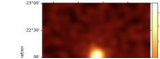
Ring background map



Analysis with pendent cuts

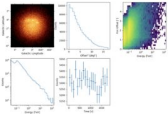


High level IRF

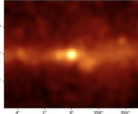


## Data exploration

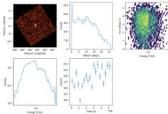
These tutorials show how to perform data exploration with Gammapy, providing an introduction to the CTA, HAWC, H.E.S.S. and Fermi-LAT data and instrument response functions (IRFs). You will be able to explore and filter event lists according to different criteria, as well as to get a quick look of the multidimensional IRFs files.



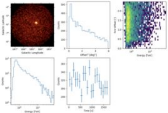
CTA with Gammapy



Fermi-LAT with Gammapy

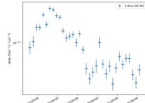


HAWC with Gammapy

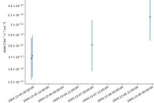


H.E.S.S. with Gammapy

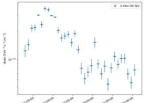
## Time



Estimation of time variability in a lightcurve



Light curves



Light curves for flares

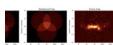
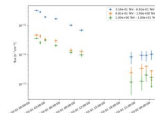
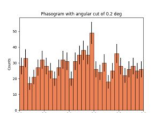


Image exploration

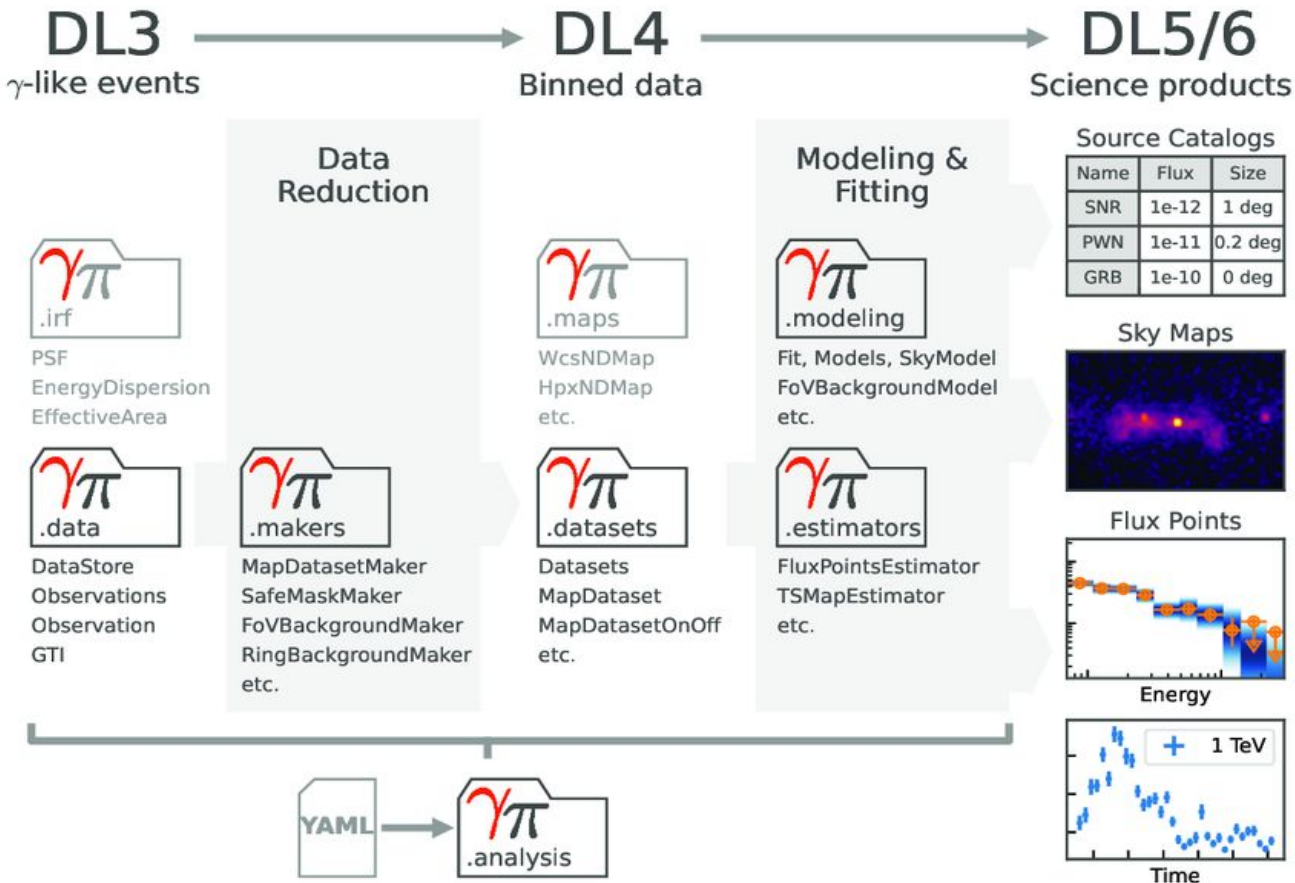


Simulating and fitting a time varying source



Pulsar analysis

# Data levels and code structure



## Findability Accessibility

Data should be findable and accessible at any level by using of VO compliant formats and Metadata

## Interoperability

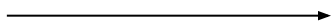
A common and open analysis software and format, with very general tools in the steps between data levels, leads to more shared analyses

## Reusability

Good documentation and metadata associated to each DL and analysis step ensures reusability of data products

# The gammapy . analysis workflow: step 1 - data reduction

**DL3**



Apply event selections (time, offset, etc)  
Spatial and energy binning

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**DL4**

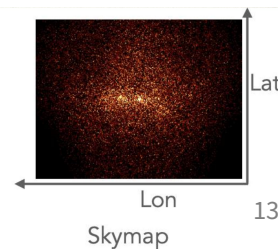
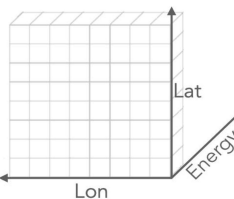
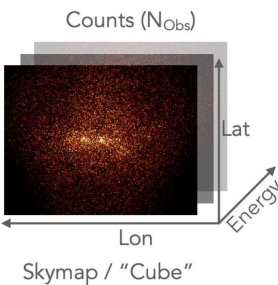
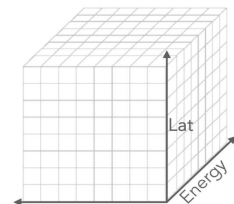
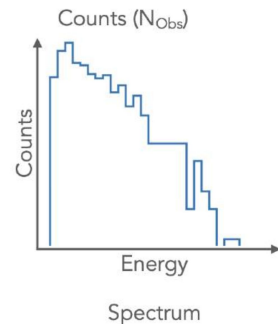
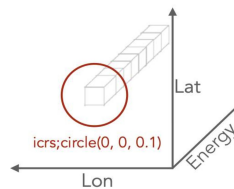
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Bin events (and IRFs) into  
n-dim sky maps

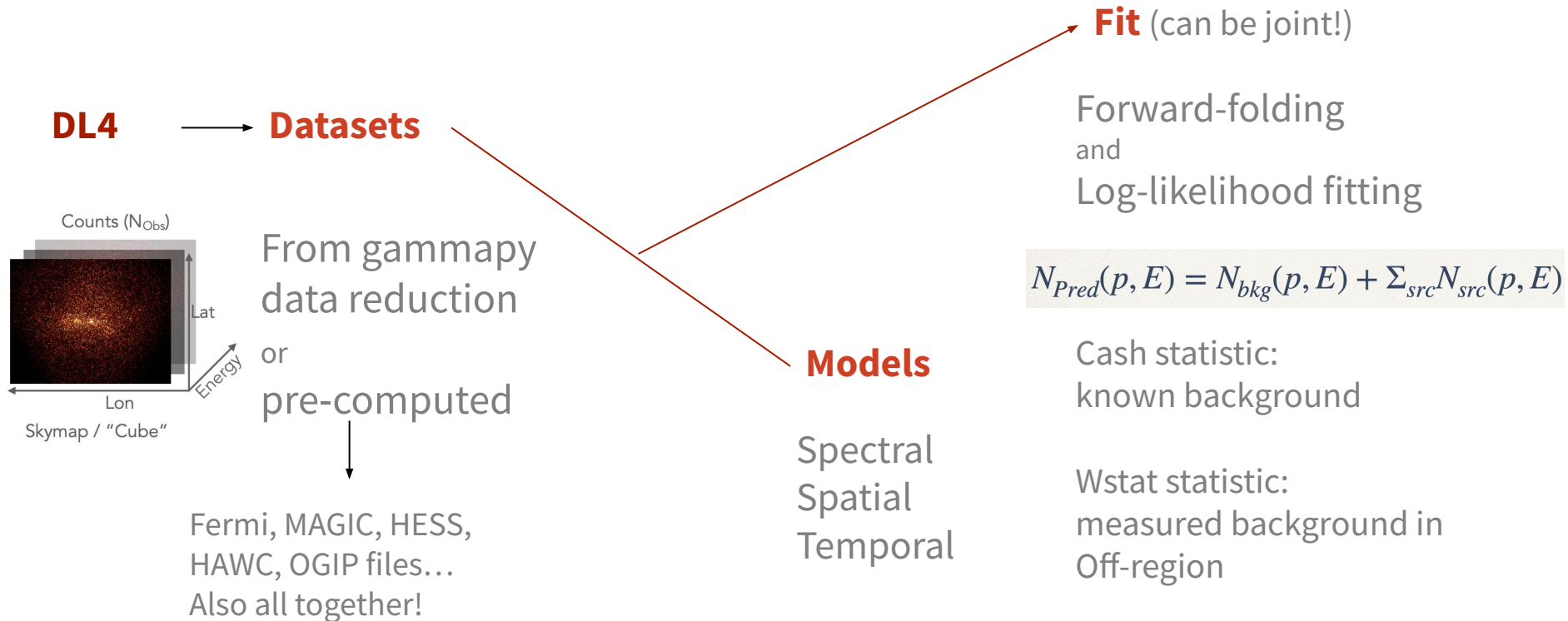
Spectral analysis: Cube with one spatial bin

Generalised case: 3D map

Image analysis: cube with one energy bin

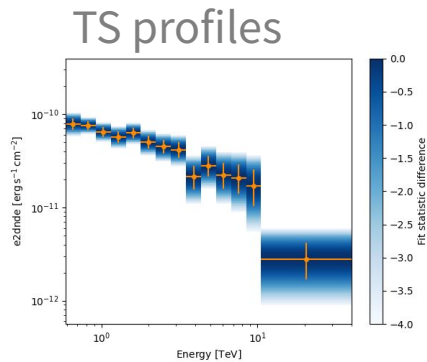
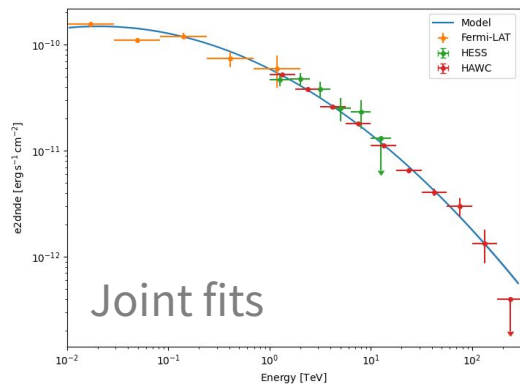


# The gammapy . analysis workflow: step 2 - data modeling and fitting

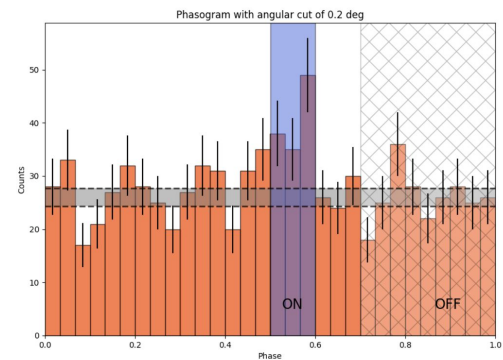


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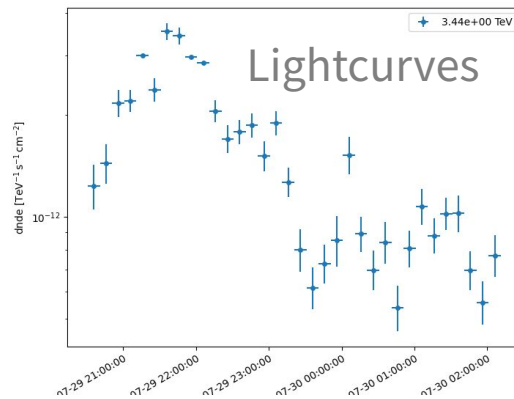
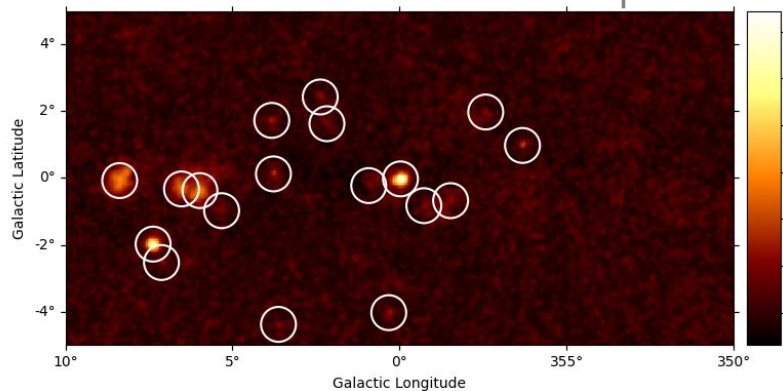
DL5/6



Periodic sources



Source maps



And more:

Custom catalogs  
Dark Matter  
Fits on DL5

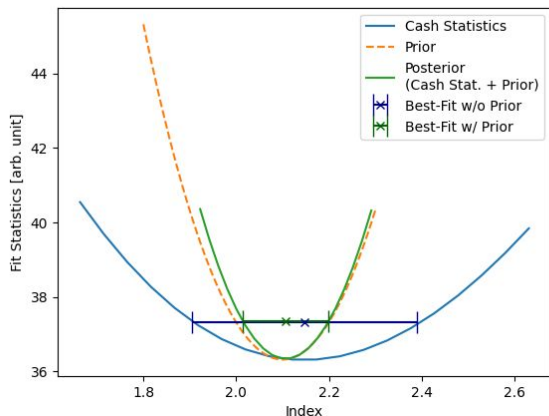
# A selection of new features

From gammapy 1.2

## Priors

Possibility of adding priors to the probability distribution to add known information about the dataset or parameters of the fit

*K. Streil*



## Metadata

Metadata containers for most of the DL3 to DL5 structures - for provenance information

*B. Khelifi, R. Terrier, C. Galelli, K. Feijen*

## Time variability

Set of utility functions to evaluate the variability in a lightcurve (especially for AGNs)

*C. Galelli*

## New catalogs

- 1LHAASO catalog
- Update of 4FGL to include DR4

*Q. Remy*

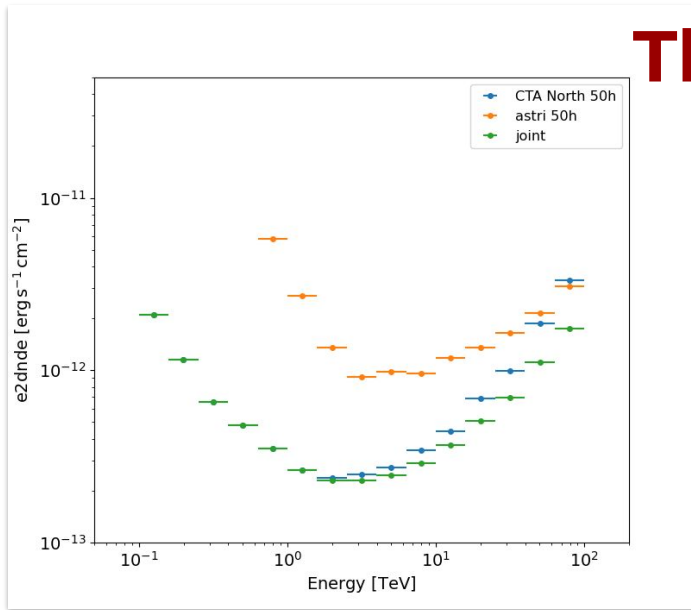
## ObsCore compatibility

Tool to convert information in DataStore to the VO-compliant ObsCore

*P. Kornecki*



# The future



Improve sensitivity computations - especially for joint sensitivity analyses

Integrate with VO-compliant inputs and formats (VODF)



Further develop **distributed computing prototypes** - currently exploring using different tensor libraries such as **Jax**, dask, PyTorch (<https://github.com/gammapy/gammapy/pull/5302>), (<https://github.com/gammapy/gammapy/pull/5318>)

Aim is to improve efficient computing for large, joint datasets and prepare for machine learning applications



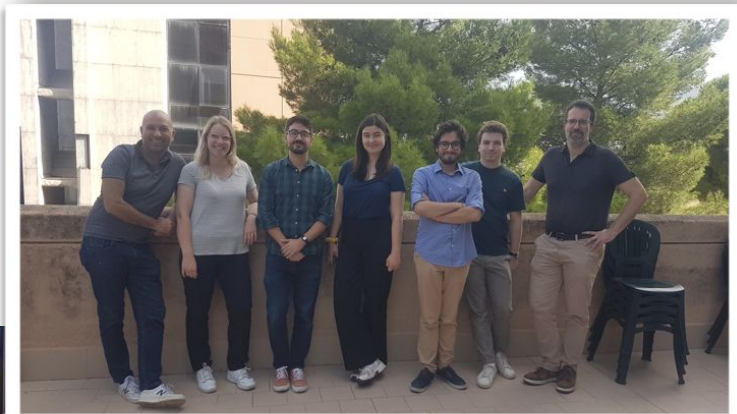
# Summary

 A **Python** package for **gamma-ray** astronomy

Gammapy has provided interoperable software for **many instruments and more are always being added**

- Next releases have many key objectives dedicated to **compliance to FAIR4RS and VO standards**
- Distributed computing efforts for future proofing analysis of huge combined archives
- Strong participation in the CTAO SDC

Try it, and if you need us ask for #help on slack! [gammapy.slack.com](https://www.gammapy.org/slack)

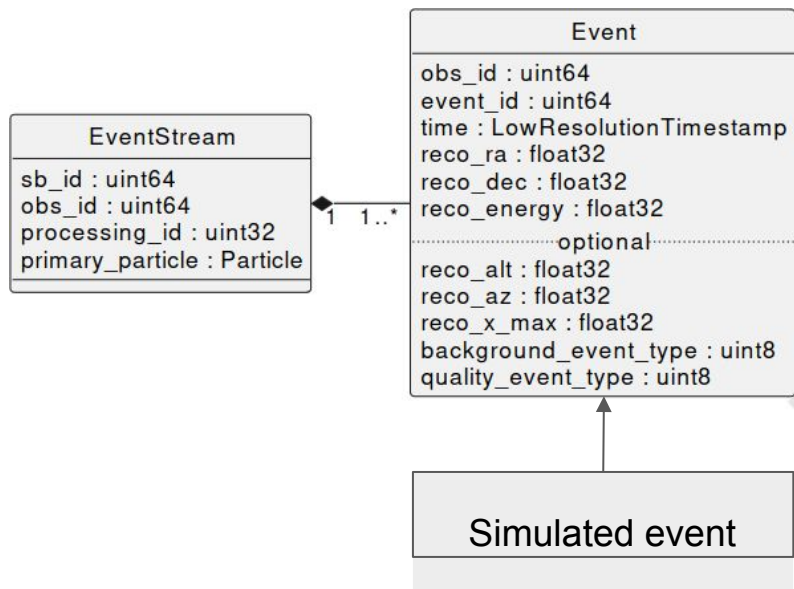


# BACKUP

# Basic data format: “Events” and “service data” (DL3)

event = particle detection (gamma, neutrino)

Information derived from simulation:  
Instrument Response Functions (IRFs)



- Stable Time Interval
- Effective Area
- Energy Dispersion
- Point Spread Function
- Background
- Radius of On region for point-like IRFs

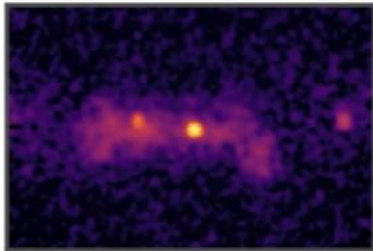
From CTA DL3 data model

# Higher levels: Science results

## DL4 (Science binned)

- exposure maps
- counts maps
- exclusion maps
- significance maps
- excess maps

Sky Maps



## DL5/6 (Science products)

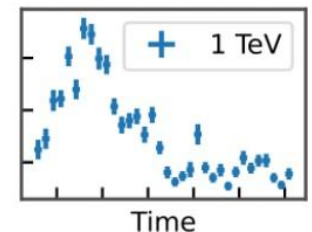
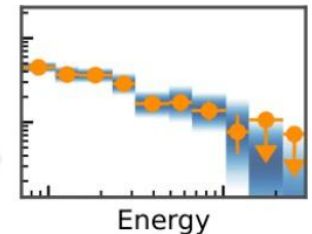
- Flux maps & fit models
  - data cube (3D,4D)
  - 2D sky map
  - light curve
  - spectrum
  - spatio-spectral cube
  - ...

*Potential future developments with VODF*

## Source Catalogs

Name	Flux	Size
SNR	1e-12	1 deg
PWN	1e-11	0.2 deg
GRB	1e-10	0 deg

Flux Points



# Next steps & open questions

- Starting with a format definition: the one of CTAO, strongly inspired by GADF
  - Allow for multiple IRFs
  - Including different event categories (event types)
  - Choose metadata standards
- Ensuring interoperability (especially with IVOA)
  - Make data discoverable via VO (*ObsCore*)
  - Could contribute to an IVOA interest group if it happens: HEIG ([link](#))
  - Current considerations
    - CTAO Data Model group, DM for High Energy astrophysics, IVOA DM
  - Further workshops in preparation (HEIG in Dec., CTAO data format in jan/feb)

# Getting the software

- Quickstart installation with conda/mamba

```
curl -O https://gammapy.org/download/install/gammapy-1.1-environment.yml  
conda env create -f gammapy-1.1-environment.yml  
conda activate gammapy-1.1
```

See: [Getting started](#)

- Installation with pip

```
python -m pip install gammapy[all]
```

← install all dependencies

Note: if you install without using gammapy-1.1-environment.yml make sure to install pydantic<2.0 and matplotlib<3.8 for compatibility

# Getting the software

- Download tutorials & associated data

```
gammapy download notebooks  
gammapy download datasets
```



datasets are now  
versioned

If using conda environment, set `GAMMAPY_DATA` with conda

```
conda env config vars set GAMMAPY_DATA=$PWD/gammapy-datasets/1.1  
conda activate gammapy-1.1
```

else set with shell:

```
export GAMMAPY_DATA=$PWD/gammapy-datasets/1.1
```



# Getting help, reporting issues

- How to provide feedback / get help:
  - #help channel on [gammapy.slack](https://gammapy.slack.com)
  - #gammapy channel on [hesschat.slack.com](https://hesschat.slack.com)
  - [GitHub discussions](#) , in particular help category
  
- How to report issues and bugs or request a new feature:
  - [GitHub issues](#) (requires creating an account on GitHub)

# Reporting issues: on GitHub

The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for the 'gammapy' repository. At the top, there's a search bar and navigation tabs for Code, Issues (169), Pull requests (53), Discussions, Actions, Projects (17), Wiki, Security, and Insights. Below the navigation, there's a filter bar with a search input 'is:issue is:open', 'Labels 30', and 'Milestones 7'. A green 'New issue' button is circled in black. Below the filter bar, there's a list of issues with columns for status, title, author, and date. The first issue is 'Arguments of the class `Observation` to be described' with a 'docs' label. The second is 'Show default model (spatial and temporal) parameter values in docstring' with 'cleanup' and 'docs' labels. The third is 'Removing numpy deprecation warnings when arrays of size 1 are treated as scalars' with an 'effort-medium' label. The fourth is 'DarkMatterAnnihilationSpectralModel not readable from Models.read' with a 'bug' label.

## Bug report

Create a report to help us improve Gammapy!

[Get started](#)

## Feature request

Suggest an idea to make Gammapy better!

[Get started](#)

Don't see your issue here? [Open a blank issue.](#)

[Edit templates](#)

# Reporting issues: on GitHub

## Issue: Bug report

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**\*\*Gammapy version\*\***

Please use ``gammapy info`` or ``python -c 'import gammapy; print(gammapy.__version__)'`` to check which version of Gammapy you are using, and put that information here.

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**\*\*Bug description\*\***

A short description what the bug is (usually 1-2 sentences)

**\*\*Expected behavior\*\***

A clear and concise description of what you expected to happen.

**\*\*To Reproduce\*\***

Steps to reproduce the behavior.

See <https://matthewrocklin.com/blog/work/2018/02/28/minimal-bug-reports>

Attach files by dragging & dropping, selecting or pasting them.



Styling with Markdown is supported

Submit new issue

Assignees



No one—assign yourself

Labels



bug

Projects



None yet

Milestone



No milestone

Development

Shows branches and pull requests linked to this issue.

Helpful resources

[Contributing](#)

[Code of conduct](#)

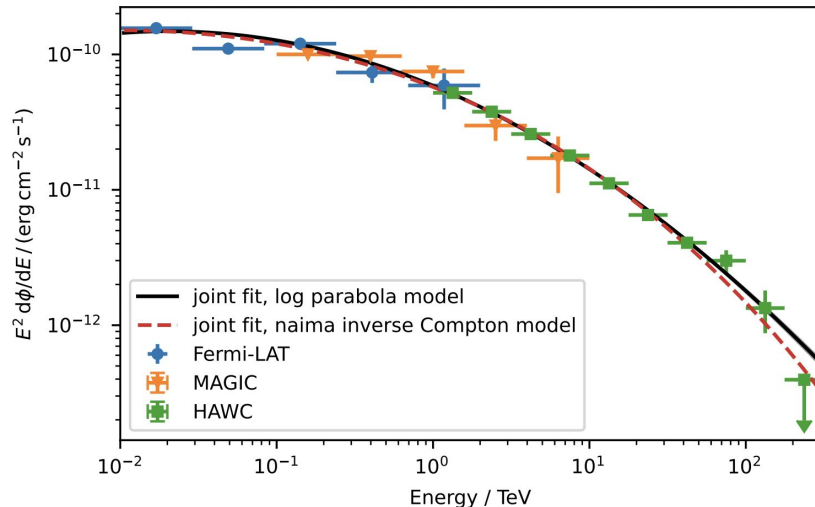
[GitHub Community Guidelines](#)

# How to contribute?

- Follow the [developer guide](#) to get set-up
- Get in touch with other developers early
  - #dev channel on gammapy slack
  - discuss contribution during dev calls (on Fridays 2pm)
- Open a Pull Request (PR) on GitHub gammapy repo

# Gammapy v1.0 paper is published

- See: A. Donath, R. Terrier, Q. Remy, et al. [2023, A&A, 678, A157](#)
- Fully reproducible code and figures. See [GH repo](#) and [pdf file](#)



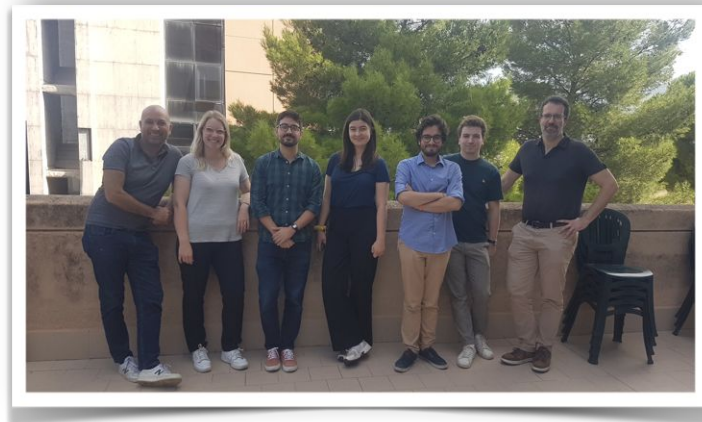
## Multi-instrument joint fit of the Crab with a log parabola and inverse Compton models

Fig. 15. Multi-instrument spectral energy distribution (SED) and combined model fit of the Crab Nebula. The colored markers show the flux points computed from the data of the different listed instruments. The horizontal error bar illustrates the width of the chosen energy band ( $E_{Min}, E_{Max}$ ). The marker is set to the log-center energy of the band, that is defined by  $\sqrt{E_{Min} \cdot E_{Max}}$ . The vertical errors bars indicate the  $1\sigma$  error of the measurement. The downward facing arrows indicate the value of  $2\sigma$  upper flux limits for the given energy range. The black solid line shows the best fit model and the transparent band its  $1\sigma$  error range. The band is too small to be visible. [🔗](#)

link to  
script

# Activities in 2023

- 2 coding sprints in 2023
  - [2023 March 20-24th - UCM - Madrid](#)
    - 9 people on-site, 6 online
  - [2023 October 16-20th IASF-INAF Palermo](#)
    - 8 people on-site, 5 online



- ~ 40 Zoom developer meetings : every Friday 2pm CET
- > 450 merged PRs, 2400 commits since Nov 2022
  - 23 contributors

# Feature release: priors

- Use cases for priors and possible implementation is presented in [FIG 26](#)
- Use cases:
  - prior on physical model parameter (e.g. positivity)
  - background systematics as nuisance parameters
  - unfolding methods for spectra
- v1.1 will provide:
  - priors on single parameters
  - few pre-defined priors, e.g. GaussianPrior
  - serialization in models.yaml
  - associated tutorial

# A selection of new features

From `gammapy 1.2`

- `gammapy.modeling`:
  - priors on single parameters
  - computing pivot energy for any spectral model
- `gammapy.estimators`:
  - light curve variability estimation helper functions and associated tutorial
  - energy dependent morphology estimator
  - flux sensitivity map calculation
- `gammapy.catalogs`:
  - 4FGL DR4 catalog
  - LHAASO catalog
- `gammapy.astro`:
  - additional DM and halo models
- `gammapy.data`:
  - **metadata containers**
  - removal of time intervals from GTI
- `gammapy.maps`:
  - additional support for multiprocessing