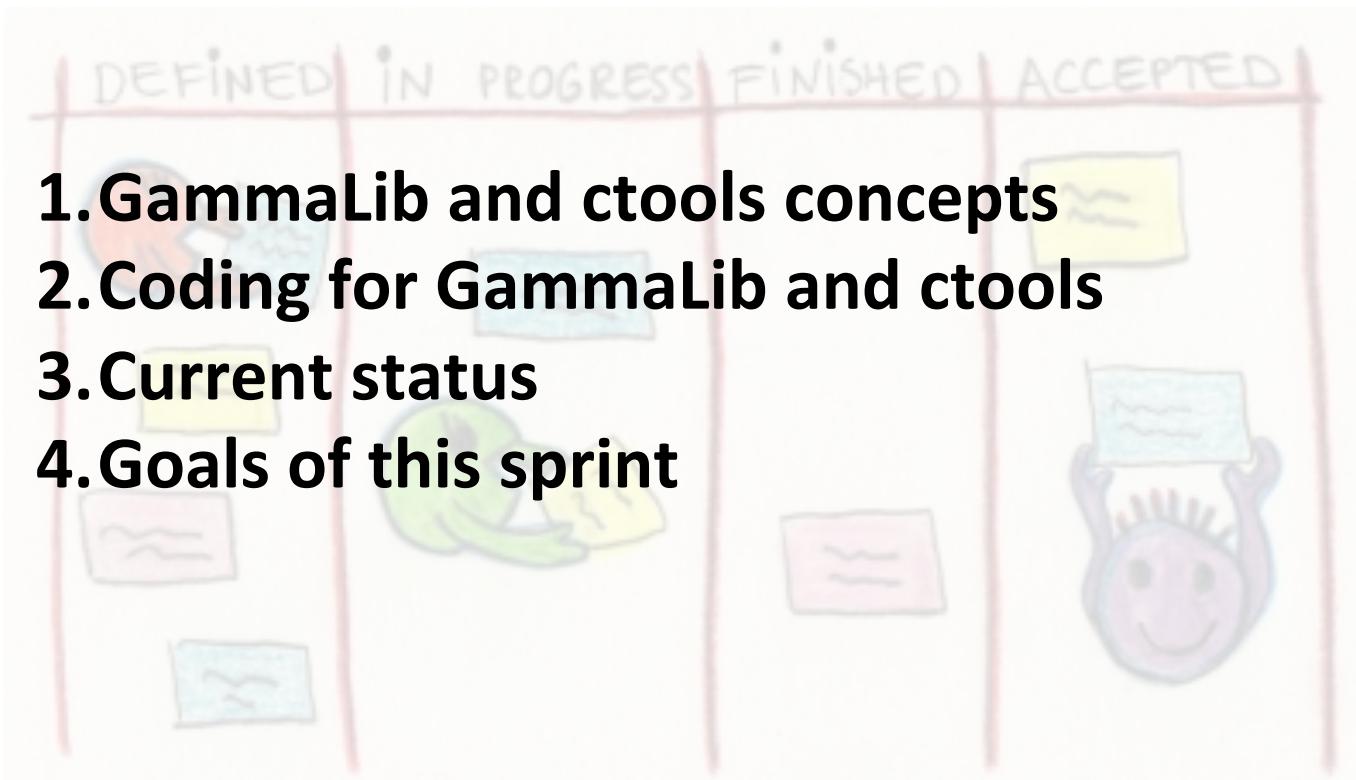


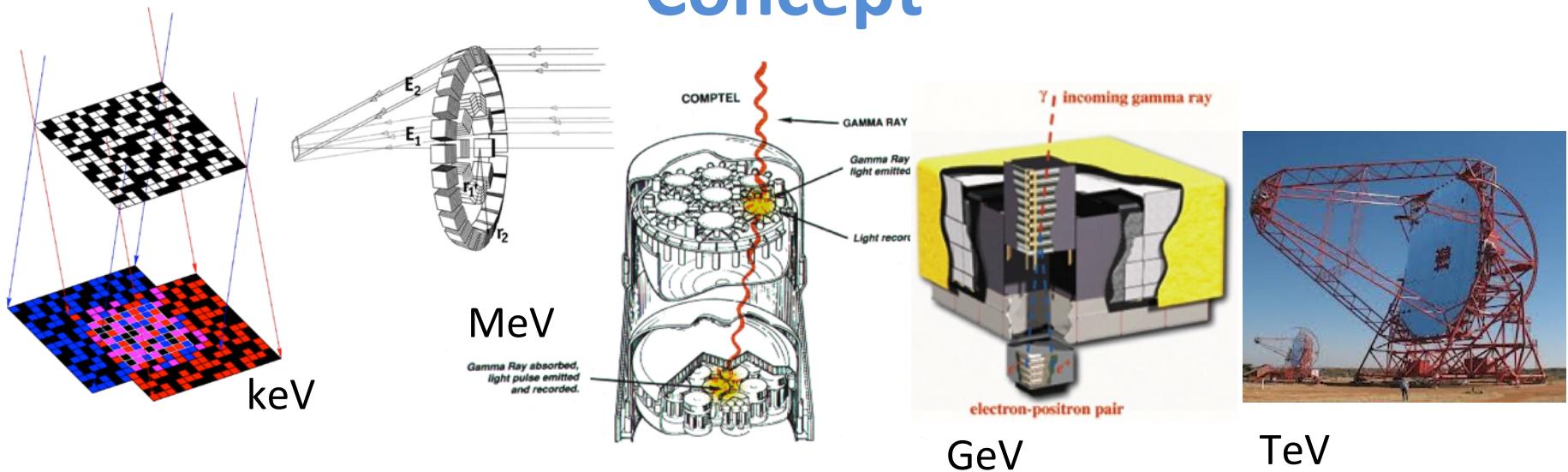
3nd Coding Sprint



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1. GammaLib and ctools concepts

Concept



All gamma-ray telescopes measure individual photons as events. In principle it should be possible to **handle events from gamma-ray telescopes in an abstract and common software framework**.

Existing high-energy analysis frameworks share a number of **common features** (FITS files, likelihood fitting, modular design).



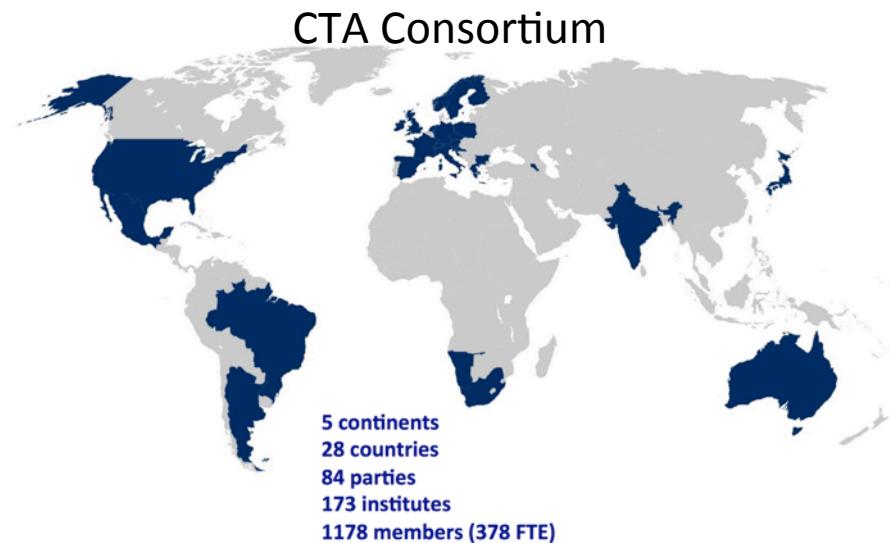
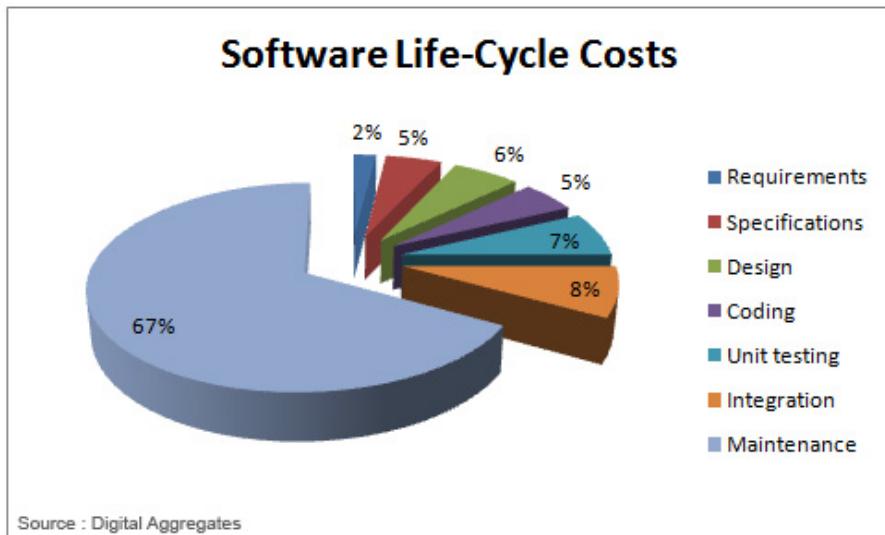
... is the client that uses the **bricks** provided by



... to build a set of **analysis executables** for CTA (and alike)

Design considerations

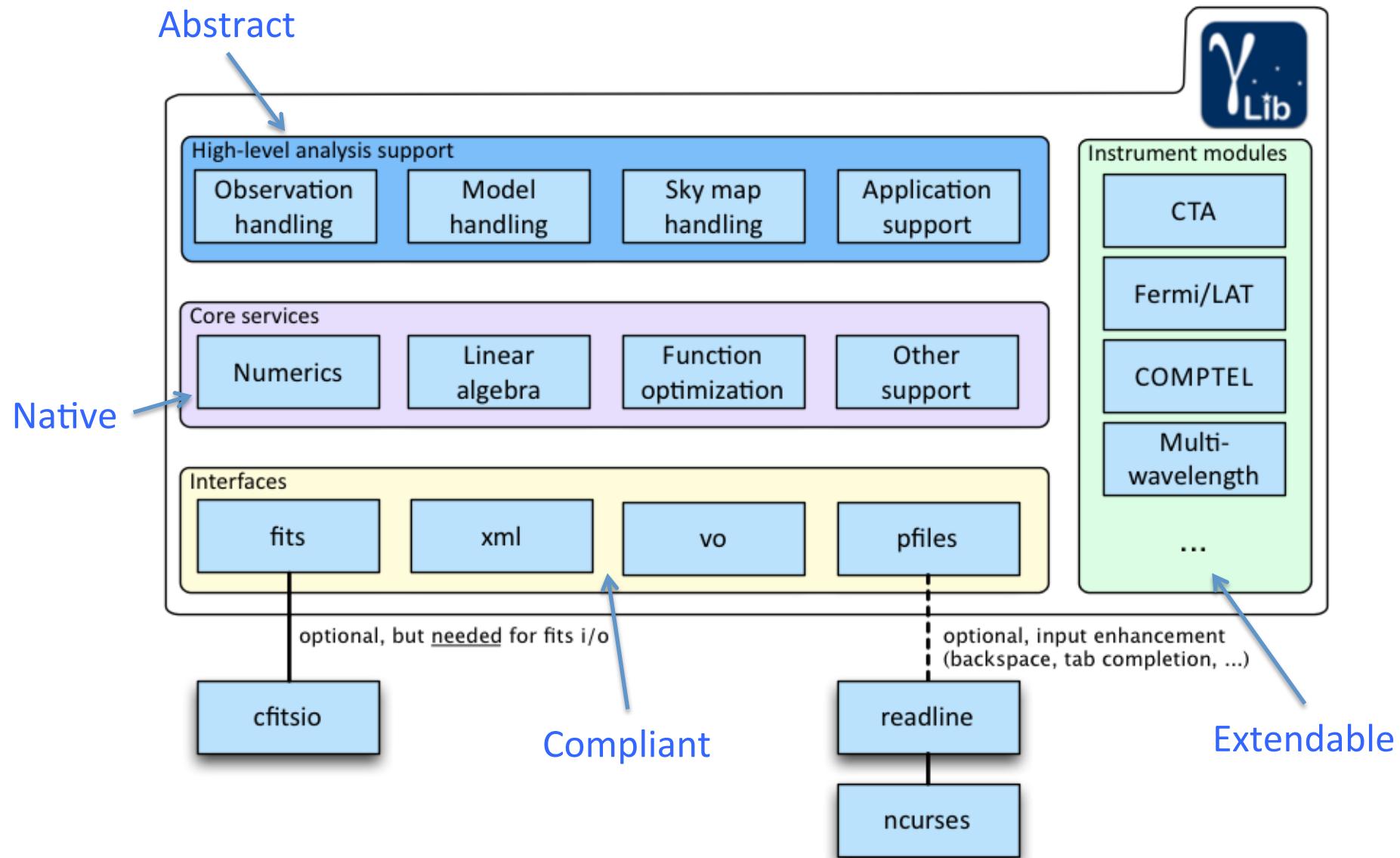
Minimise maintenance costs and maximise community involvement



- Define and enforce coding rules (code quality)
- Avoid dependencies (full control over product)
- Support widely used platforms (Linux, Mac OS X, Solaris)
- Automatize unit testing, integration and deployment (continuous integration system & quality check)

- Open source development (end users develop the code)
- Follow an AGILE development model (implement what end users need)
- Follow analysis models used in the high-energy astronomy domain (Fermi, INTEGRAL, XMM, Chandra, etc.)

GammaLib overview



It's all C++ classes

```
class GEnergy : public GBase {
public:
    // Constructors and destructors
    GEnergy(void);
    GEnergy(const GEnergy& eng);
    explicit GEnergy(const double& eng, const std::string& unit);
    virtual ~GEnergy(void);

    // Operators
    GEnergy& operator=(const GEnergy& eng);
    GEnergy& operator+=(const GEnergy& eng);
    GEnergy& operator-=(const GEnergy& eng);

    // Methods
    void      clear(void);
    GEnergy*  clone(void) const;
    double    erg(void) const;
    double    keV(void) const;
    double    MeV(void) const;
    double    GeV(void) const;
    double    TeV(void) const;
    double    log10keV(void) const;
    double    log10MeV(void) const;
    double    log10GeV(void) const;
    double    log10TeV(void) const;
    void      erg(const double& eng);
    void      keV(const double& eng);
    void      MeV(const double& eng);
    void      GeV(const double& eng);
    void      TeV(const double& eng);
    void      log10keV(const double& eng);
    void      log10MeV(const double& eng);
    void      log10GeV(const double& eng);
    void      log10TeV(const double& eng);
    std::string print(const GChatter& chatter = NORMAL) const;
}
```

```
class GApplication : public GBase {
public:
    // Constructors and destructors
    GApplication(void);
    GApplication(const std::string& name, const std::string& version);
    GApplication(const std::string& name, const std::string& version,
                 int argc, char* argv[]);
    GApplication(const GApplication& app);
    ~GApplication(void);

    // Operators
    GApplication& operator=(const GApplication& app);
    GApplicationPar& operator[](const std::string& name);
    const GApplicationPar& operator[](const std::string& name) const;

    // Methods
    void      clear(void);
    GApplication* clone(void) const;
    const std::string& name(void) const;
    const std::string& version(void) const;
    double    telapse(void) const;
    double    celapse(void) const;
    void      logFileOpen(const bool& clobber = true);
    bool     logTerse(void) const;
    bool     logNormal(void) const;
    bool     logExplicit(void) const;
    bool     logVerbose(void) const;
    bool     logDebug(void) const;
    bool     clobber(void) const;
    bool     has_par(const std::string& name) const;
    const std::string& par_filename(void) const;
    const std::string& log_filename(void) const;
    void      log_header(void);
    void      log_trailer(void);
    void      log_parameters(void);
    std::string print(const GChatter& chatter = NORMAL) const;

    // Public members
    GLog log;  //!< Application logger
}
```

Abstract C++ classes for abstract interfaces

```
class GEvent : public GBase {

public:
    // Constructors and destructors
    GEvent(void);
    GEvent(const GEvent& event);
    virtual ~GEvent(void);

    // Operators
    virtual GEvent& operator=(const GEvent& event);

    // Pure virtual methods
    virtual void           clear(void) = 0;
    virtual GEvent*        clone(void) const = 0;
    virtual double         size(void) const = 0;
    virtual const GInstDir& dir(void) const = 0;
    virtual const GEnergy& energy(void) const = 0;
    virtual const GTime&   time(void) const = 0;
    virtual double         counts(void) const = 0;
    virtual double         error(void) const = 0;
    virtual bool           is_atom(void) const = 0;
    virtual bool           is_bin(void) const = 0;
    virtual std::string    print(const GChatter& chatter = NORMAL) const = 0;

protected:
    // Protected methods
    void init_members(void);
    void copy_members(const GEvent& event);
    void free_members(void);
};
```

A *ctool* is an executable and a class

```
class ctlike : public GApplication {  
public:  
    // Constructors and destructors  
    ctlike(void);  
    explicit ctlike(GObservations obs);  
    ctlike(int argc, char *argv[]);  
    ctlike(const ctlike& app);  
    virtual ~ctlike(void);  
  
    // Operators  
    ctlike& operator= (const ctlike& app);  
  
    // Methods  
    void           clear(void);  
    void           execute(void);  
    void           run(void);  
    void           save(void);  
    GObservations& obs(void) { return m_obs; }  
    GOptimizer*& opt(void) { return m_opt; }  
    void          get_parameters(void);  
    void          optimize_lm(void);
```

ctlike is a C++ class ...

... that can be used as a Python class in a script ...

```
# Perform maximum likelihood fitting  
like = ctlike()  
like.logFileOpen() # We need this to explicitly open the log file in Python  
like["infile"].filename(cntmap_name)  
like["srcmdl"].filename(model_name)  
like["outmdl"].filename(result_name)  
like["caldb"].string(caldb)  
like["irf"].string(irf)  
like.execute()  
sys.stdout.write("Maximum likelihood fitting ("+str(like.celapse())+" CPU sec")
```

```
int main (int argc, char *argv[])  
{  
    // Initialise return code  
    int rc = 1;  
  
    // Create instance of application  
    ctlike application(argc, argv);  
  
    // Run application  
    try {  
        // Execute application  
        application.execute();  
  
        // Signal success  
        rc = 0;  
    }  
    catch (std::exception &e) {  
  
        // Extract error message  
        std::string message = e.what();  
        std::string signal = "*** ERROR encountered in the execution of"  
                           " ctlike. Run aborted ...";  
  
        // Write error in logger  
        application.log << signal << std::endl;  
        application.log << message << std::endl;  
  
        // Write error on standard output  
        std::cout << signal << std::endl;  
        std::cout << message << std::endl;  
  
    } // endcatch: caught any application error  
  
    // Return  
    return rc;  
}
```

... or as a C++ class in a C++ program
(used to build the ctlike executable)

Running a *ctool* executable

CTA event list simulator

```
$ ctobssim
Model [$CTOOLS/share/models/crab.xml]
Calibration database [aar]
Instrument response function [DESY20140105_50h]
RA of pointing (degrees) (0-360) [83.63]
Dec of pointing (degrees) (-90-90) [22.01]
Radius of FOV (degrees) (0-180) [5.0]
Start time (MET in s) (0) [0.0]
End time (MET in s) (0) [1800.0]
Lower energy limit (TeV) (0) [0.1]
Upper energy limit (TeV) (0) [100.0]
Output event data file or observation definition file [events.fits]
```

Wrapping C++ in Python: SWIG

<http://www.swig.org/>

ctlike.hpp

```
class ctlike : public GApplication {
public:
    // Constructors and destructors
    ctlike(void);
    explicit ctlike(GObservations obs);
    ctlike(int argc, char *argv[]);
    ctlike(const ctlike& app);
    virtual ~ctlike(void);

    // Operators
    ctlike& operator= (const ctlike& app);

    // Methods
    void           clear(void);
    void           execute(void);
    void           run(void);
    void           save(void);
    GObservations& obs(void) { return m_obs; }
    GOptimizer*& opt(void) { return m_opt; }
    void           get_parameters(void);
    void           optimize_lm(void);
```

ctlike.i

```
class ctlike : public GApplication {
public:
    // Constructors and destructors
    ctlike(void);
    explicit ctlike(GObservations obs);
    ctlike(int argc, char *argv[]);
    ctlike(const ctlike& app);
    virtual ~ctlike(void);

    // Methods
    void           clear(void);
    void           execute(void);
    void           run(void);
    void           save(void);
    GObservations& obs(void);
    GOptimizer*& opt(void);
    void           get_parameters(void);
    void           optimize_lm(void);
};

%extend ctlike {
    ctlike copy() {
        return (*self);
}
}
```

```
$ swig -c++ -python -Wall ctlike.i
ctlike.py
ctlike_wrap.cpp
$ gcc ctlike_wrap.cpp
```

Using GammaLib in Python

```
>>> import gammalib  
>>> models = gammalib.GModels()  
>>> print(models)  
==> GModels ==  
    Number of models .....: 0  
    Number of parameters ....: 0  
>>> pos=gammalib.GSkyDir()  
>>> pos.radec_deg(83.6331, 22.0145)  
>>> print(pos.l_deg(),pos.b_deg())  
(184.55746010138259, -5.7843464490225998)  
>>> █
```

```
>>> from gammalib import *  
>>> models = GModels()  
>>> print(models)  
==> GModels ==  
    Number of models .....: 0  
    Number of parameters ....: 0  
>>> pos=GSkyDir()  
>>> pos.radec_deg(83.6331, 22.0145)  
>>> print(pos.l_deg(),pos.b_deg())  
(184.55746010138259, -5.7843464490225998)  
>>> █
```

... same story for *ctools*

A *cscript* is a Python script looking like a *ctool*

```
# ===== #
# cspull class #
# ===== #
class cspull(GApplication):
    """
    This class implements the pull distribution generation script. It derives
    from the GammaLib::GApplication class which provides support for parameter
    files, command line arguments, and logging. In that way the Python
    script behaves just as a regular ctool.
    """
    def __init__(self, *argv):
        """
        Constructor.
        """
        # Set name
        self.name = "cspull"
        self.version = "0.2.0"

        # Initialise some members
        self.obs = None
        self.model = None
        self.m_srcmdl = None

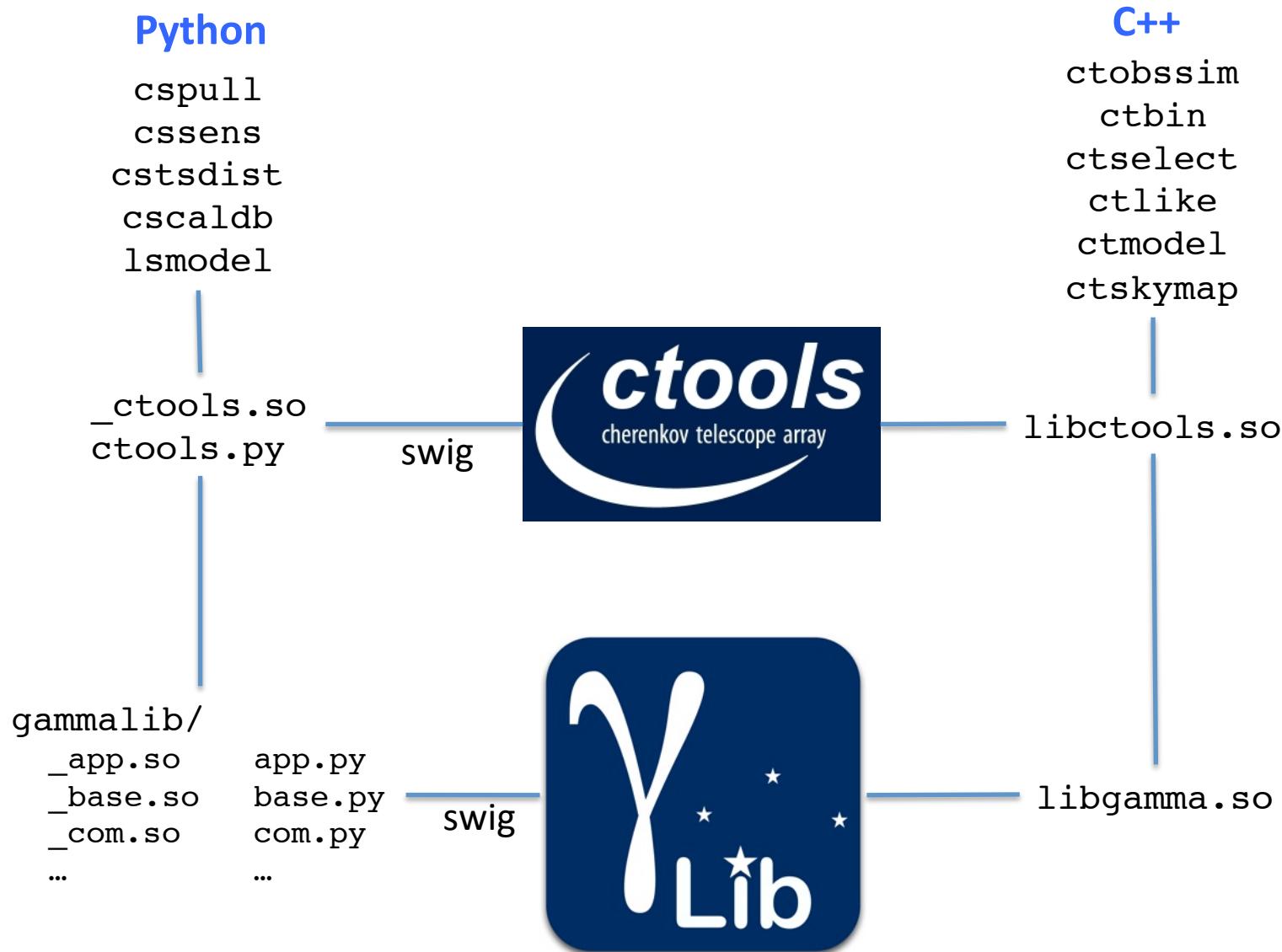
        # Make sure that parfile exists
        file = self.parfile()

        # Initialise application
        if len(argv) == 0:
            GApplication.__init__(self, self.name, self.version)
        elif len(argv) == 1:
            GApplication.__init__(self, self.name, self.version, *argv)
        else:
            raise TypeError("Invalid number of arguments given.")

        # Set logger properties
        self.log_header()
        self.log.date(True)

    # Return
    return
```

The overall picture



What should I do if ...

... I need a new spectral model?

Add a new spectral model class to the GammaLib model module.

... I need a new background model for CTA?

Add a new background model class to the GammaLib CTA interface module.

... I want a tool that generates CTA exposure maps?

Create a new ctool that uses the CTA response functions in GammaLib for exposure map computation.

... I want to implement an analysis workflow or pipeline?

Create a Python script that uses the ctools and gammalib Python modules.

... I want to test a new idea (e.g. create a ring background generator)?

Create a new cscript that uses the gammalib Python module.

General rule:

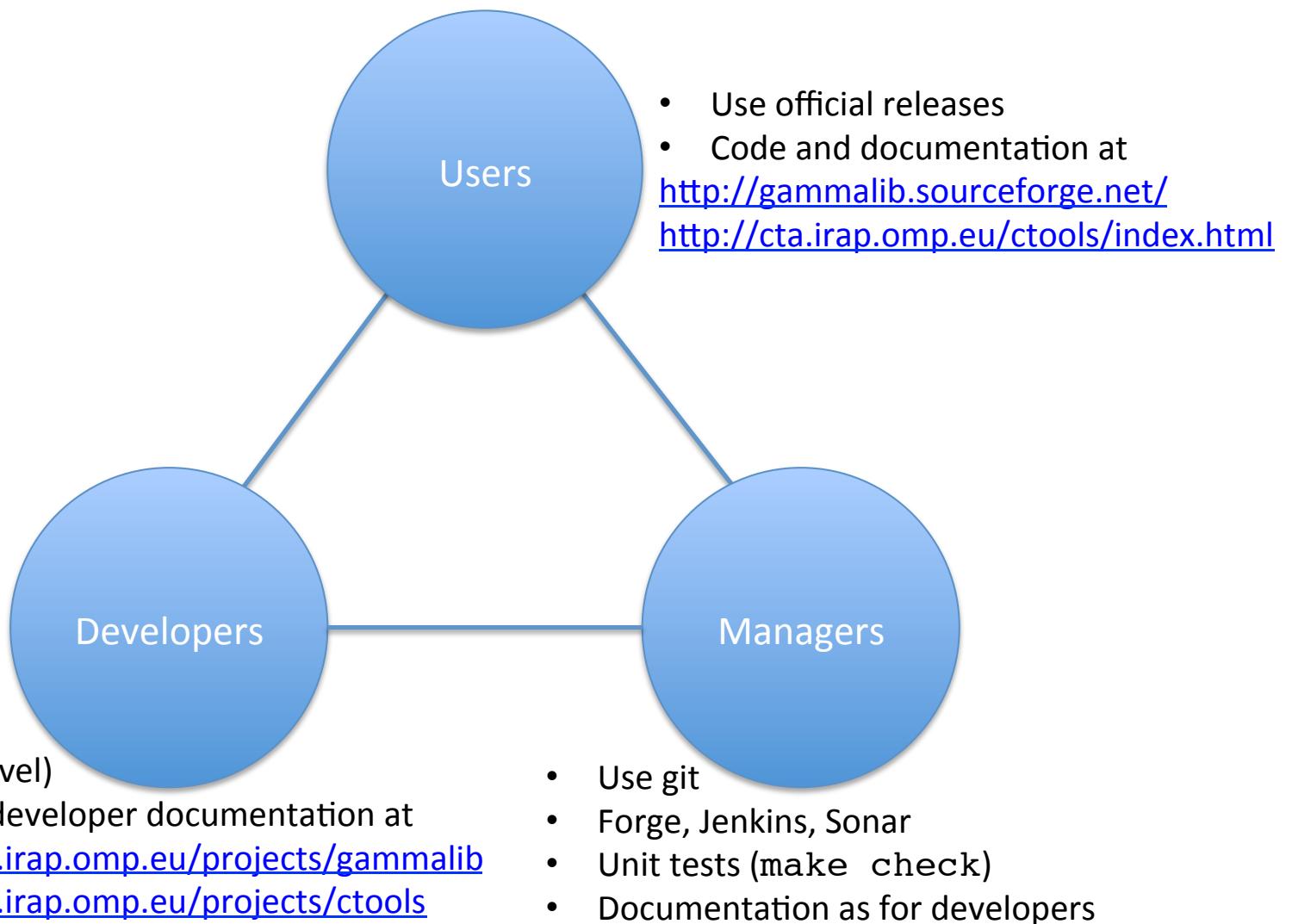
All generic and reusable code goes in GammaLib, code that is only needed for one specific task goes in ctools. Quick coding is better done by a cscript.

2. Coding for GammaLib and ctools

Communities



@gammalib



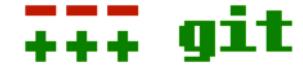


Our Forge

The screenshot shows the 'Overview' page of the GammaLib project in the CTA IRAP Project Gateway. The left sidebar contains links for Overview, Activity, Roadmap, Issues, Backlogs, Releases, New issue, Gantt, Calendar, News, Documents, Wiki, Code status, Links, Forums, Files, Repository, and Settings. The main content area has tabs for Overview, Issue tracking, and Latest news. The Overview tab shows a logo of a gamma ray symbol with 'Lib' next to it, a brief description of the toolbox, and a link to its homepage. The Issue tracking tab lists statistics for bugs, features, actions, change requests, and support tickets. The Latest news tab displays three recent releases: 'GammaLib-00-08-00 release' (5 days ago), 'GammaLib-00-07-00 release' (about 1 year ago), and 'GammaLib included in the Softpedia Mac OS software database' (over 1 year ago). On the right side, there are sections for 'Members' (listing project roles and names) and 'Spent time' (showing 487.75 hours). A search bar at the top right is set to 'GammaLib'. The bottom right corner has a 'Chat' button.

If you want a new feature, find a bug, or request a change: use it!
Don't worry too much whether you file things under ctools or GammaLib
(will clean up if needed)

Repository organization



The GammaLib and ctools source code are version controlled in two *git* repositories at IRAP

<https://cta-git.irap.omp.eu/gammalib>

<https://cta-git.irap.omp.eu/ctools>

Protected branches:

master – last release

release – release preparation

devel – developer branch <== always start from here

integration – feature integration

Other branches: can be setup by any developer as required. Will be regularly cleaned-up after pulling in changes.

Gammalib and ctools development can also be based on Github:

<https://github.com/gammalib/gammalib>

<https://github.com/ctools/ctools>

- read-only repositories
- synchronized with IRAP repositories

Some frequently asked questions

Should I use IRAP git or github for development?

Whatever you prefer. Both repositories should be 100% synchronized at any time.

Which branch should I start from?

Always branch from devel. Never branch from master.

How often should I commit?

Whenever you feel necessary. Note that the more often you commit the better all changes are tracked and the easier it is to go back to a certain stage of your code development. However, before committing, please check that the code at least compiles (best make also a unit test).

Why can't I push to master, release, devel or integration?

These branches are protected from pushing. Only the integration manager is allowed to push to them. See it from the good side: this puts a lower work burden on your side, and prevents you from destroying the repository.

Documentation

Code documentation



Extracts code documentation directly from source files. Latest version of devel branch online at

<http://gammalib.sourceforge.net/doxygen/>

<http://cta.irap.omp.eu/ctools/doxygen/>

```
*****  
* @brief Evaluate function  
*  
* @param[in] srcEng True photon energy.  
* @param[in] srcTime True photon arrival time.  
* @return Model value (ph/cm2/s/MeV).  
*  
* Evaluates  
*  
* \f[  
*   S_{\rm E}(E | t) = \tt m_norm  
*   \left( \frac{E}{m_pivot} \right)^{m_index}  
* \f]  
*  
* where  
* - \tt m_norm\f$ is the normalization or prefactor,  
* - \tt m_index\f$ is the spectral index, and  
* - \tt m_pivot\f$ is the pivot energy.  
*  
* @todo The method expects that energy!=0. Otherwise Inf or NaN may result.  
*****  
double GModelSpectralPlaw::eval(const GEnergy& srcEng,  
                               const GTIME& srcTime) const  
{
```

User documentation



Generates documents from reStructuredText files (markup language). Latest version of devel branch online at

<http://gammalib.sourceforge.net/>

<http://cta.irap.omp.eu/ctools/>

Code organisation

<https://cta-git.irap.omp.eu/gammalib>

gammalib/

dev	Developer material
doc	Code and user documentation
examples	Example code
include	Core* header files (.hpp)
inst	Instrument modules
m4	Code configuration macros
pyext	Core* Python extension files (.i)
src	Core* source files (.cpp)
test	Code for unit testing

**Core means instrument independent code*

<https://cta-git.irap.omp.eu/ctools>

ctools/

caldb	Calibration data
doc	Code and user documentation
examples	Example code
m4	Code configuration macros
models	Source and background models
pyext	Python extension files (.i)
scripts	cscripts and Python scripts
src	ctools
test	Code for unit testing

Configuring GammaLib

https://cta-redmine.irap.omp.eu/projects/gammalib/wiki/Contributing_to_GammaLib

```
$ ./autogen.sh ← generates configure script from configure.ac
$ ./configure ← configures GammaLib for your system
...
=====  
GammaLib configuration summary  
=====

* FITS I/O support          (yes)   /usr/local/gamma/lib /usr/local/gamma/include
* Readline support           (yes)   /usr/local/gamma/lib /usr/local/gamma/include/readline
* Ncurses support            (yes)
* Make Python binding        (yes)   use swig for building
* Python                      (yes)
* Python.h                    (yes)
- Python wrappers             (no)
* swig                        (yes)
* Multiwavelength interface  (yes)
* Fermi-LAT interface         (yes)
* CTA interface                (yes)
* COMPTEL interface            (yes)
* Doxygen                     (yes)   /opt/local/bin/doxygen
* Perform NaN/Inf checks     (yes)   (default)
* Perform range checking      (yes)   (default)
* Optimize memory usage       (yes)   (default)
* Enable OpenMP                (yes)   (default)
- Compile in debug code       (no)    (default)
- Enable code for profiling   (no)    (default)

Now type 'make'
```

Building, checking, installing

https://cta-redmine.irap.omp.eu/projects/gammalib/wiki/Contributing_to_GammaLib

```
$ make -j4 ← compiles code (using 4 cores at maximum)
...
$ make check ← compiles and executes unit test code
...
PASS: test_GSupport
PASS: test_GVector
PASS: test_GMatrix
PASS: test_GMatrixSparse
PASS: test_GMatrixSymmetric
PASS: test_GNumerics
PASS: test_GFits
PASS: test_GXml
PASS: test_GVO
PASS: test_GXspec
PASS: test_GApplication
PASS: test_GModel
PASS: test_GSky
PASS: test_GOptimizer
PASS: test_GObservation
PASS: test_MWL
PASS: test_CTA
PASS: test_LAT
PASS: test_COM
PASS: test_python.py
make[4]: Nothing to be done for `all'.
=====
Testsuite summary for gammalib 0.8.0
=====
# TOTAL: 20
# PASS: 20
# SKIP: 0
# XFAIL: 0
# FAIL: 0
# XPASS: 0
# ERROR: 0
=====
$ make install ← installs code (copy of build result)
...
```

Note: if you switch branches you may need to issue
\$ make clean
\$ make -j4
for a full recompilation of the library. Also, if some symbols are missing when doing a unit check, make a full recompilation (and get some coffee).

Why coding conventions?

From the Java Programming Language, Sun Microsystems:

Code conventions are important to programmers for a number of reasons:

- *40%-80% of the **lifetime cost** of a piece of software goes to maintenance.*
- *Hardly any software is **maintained** for its whole life by the original author.*
- *Code conventions improve the **readability** of the software, allowing engineers to **understand new code more quickly and thoroughly**.*
- *If you ship your source code as a product, you need to make sure it is as **well packaged** and **clean** as any other product you create.*

Is there a unique and best C++ style?

Coding style can affect performance and even code correctness, but there are also rules that mainly affect readability (indentation, placement of brackets, etc.), hence coding style is also a matter of taste (you can certainly argue endless nights about the best coding style).

Take home message:

GammaLib and ctools are both developed following coding conventions. Please follow them as good as you can as they may prevent errors, can lead to better code, and will help newcomers to understand the code base.

General coding rules

(apply to GammaLib and ctools; **will be enforced**)

Code format

- Blocks are indented by 4 characters
- No tabs, use spaces
- Try to not exceed 80 characters per line
- Separate by spaces, e.g. `int i = 0;`

Function format

```
int function(void)
{
    int i = 0;
    ...
    return i;
}
```

Curly opening bracket at new line

Use C++98 standard

Do not use C++11 features

Curly opening bracket at end

Block format

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; ++i) {
    sum += i;
}
```

Always use brackets if a block
splits over more than a single
line

Code alignment

```
void      log10GeV(const double& eng);
void      log10TeV(const double& eng);
std::string print(void) const;
```

```
m_max     = par.m_max;
m_prompt  = par.m_prompt;
sum       += par.m_sum;
```

C++ classes (.hpp file) - definition

The diagram illustrates the structure of a C++ class definition in a .hpp file, with annotations explaining various parts:

- File name and short class description**: Points to the first few lines of the code, including the file name "GClass.hpp" and a brief description: "My nice class".
- Dates from creation to last editing; Person who created the file initially**: Points to the copyright notice, which includes the date range "copyright (C) 2010-2013" and the author's name "Juergen Knoedlseder".
- Copyright (GPL 3)**: Points to the "GNU General Public License" text at the bottom of the code.
- File name, brief description, person who created file (Doxygen syntax)**: Points to the Doxygen-style comments at the top of the file, including "@file GClass.hpp", "@brief Definition of my nice class interface", and "@author Juergen Knoedlseder".
- Includes (C, C++ using <>; GammaLib using “ ”)**: Points to the "#include" directives for "string" and "GBase.hpp".
- Class description (Doxygen syntax)**: Points to the Doxygen-style class description comment: "@class GClass".
- Protection**: A vertical line on the left side of the code, with arrows pointing to the "public:", "protected:", and "private:" sections.
- Public**: Points to the "public:" section.
- Constructors**: Points to the constructor definitions: "GClass()", "GClass(const GClass& c)", and "virtual ~GClass(void)".
- Operators**: Points to the assignment operator: "GClass& operator=(const GClass& c);".
- Methods**: Points to the method definitions: "void clear(void)", "GClass* clone(void) const", and "std::string print(const GChatter& chatter = NORMAL) const;".
- Protected or private**: Points to the "protected:" section.
- Methods**: Points to the protected methods: "void init_members(void)", "void copy_members(const GClass& c)", and "void free_members(void)".
- Members**: Points to the protected data member: "std::string m_name; //!< Name".

C++ classes (.cpp file) - implementation

```
*****  
*          GClass.cpp - My nice class  
*-----  
* copyright (C) 2010-2013 by Juergen Knoedlseder  
*-----  
*  
* This program is free software: you can redistribute it and/or modify  
* it under the terms of the GNU General Public License as published by  
* the Free Software Foundation, either version 3 of the License, or  
* (at your option) any later version.  
*  
* This program is distributed in the hope that it will be useful,  
* but WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY; without even the implied warranty of  
* MERCHANTABILITY or FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. See the  
* GNU General Public License for more details.  
*  
* You should have received a copy of the GNU General Public License  
* along with this program. If not, see <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/>.  
*  
*****  
/**  
 * @file GClass.cpp  
 * @brief Implementation of my nice class  
 * @author Juergen Knoedlseder  
 */  
  
/* __ Includes _____ */  
#ifndef HAVE_CONFIG_H  
#include <config.h> ← Makes compile configuration available  
#endif  
#include "GClass.hpp"  
#include "GTools.hpp"  
  
/* __ Method name definitions _____ */  
#define G_CLEAR "GClass::clear()"  
#define G_CLONE "GClass::clone() const"  
#define G_PRINT "GClass::print(GChatter&) const"  
  
/* __ Compile options _____ */  
#define G_USE_MY_OPTION ← Method names used in exceptions  
  
/* __ Debug options _____ */  
#define G_DEBUG_PRINT ← Compile options  
  
/* __ Constants _____ */  
const double pi = 3.14; ← Compile options for debugging  
← Global constants
```

Python classes (.i file) - extension

```
*****  
*          GClass.i - My nice class  
*-----  
* copyright (C) 2010-2012 by Juergen Knoedlseder  
*-----  
*  
* This program is free software: you can redistribute it and/or modify  
* it under the terms of the GNU General Public License as published by  
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* along with this program. If not, see <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/>.  
*  
*****  
/*  
 * @file GClass.i  
 * @brief Python interface of my nice class  
 * @author Juergen Knoedlseder  
 */  
%{  
/* Put headers and other declarations here that are needed for compilation */  
#include "GClass.hpp"  
}  
*****  
* @class GClass  
*-----  
* @brief Illustration of a GammaLib class  
*-----  
* My nice class illustrates how a GammaLib class should be defined.  
*****  
class GClass : public GBase {  
public:  
    // Constructors and destructors  
    GClass(void);  
    GClass(const GClass& c);  
    virtual ~GClass(void);  
  
    // Methods  
    void      clear(void);  
    GClass*   clone(void) const;  
};  
*****  
* @brief GClass class extension  
*****  
%extend GClass {  
    GClass copy() {  
        return (*self);  
    }  
};
```

← Header equivalent to .hpp file

SWIG directive to include corresponding .hpp file
(and whatever else is needed for compilation)

Basically a copy of the public class definition from
the .hpp file
without:

- operators
- print() method
- const versions of methods

← Extensions to the class only available in Python

More reading

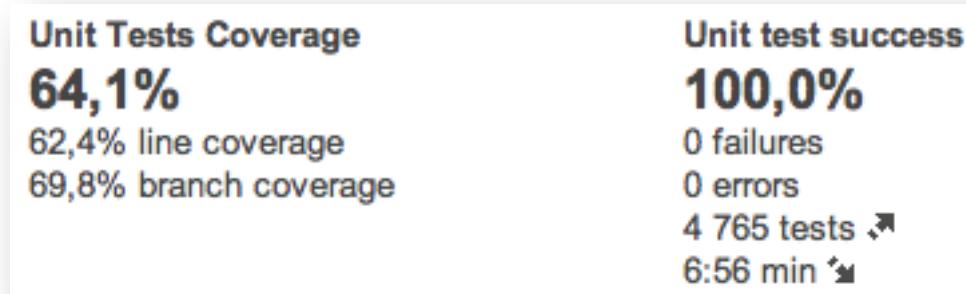
<http://gammalib.sourceforge.net/coding/>

The screenshot shows the GammaLib documentation website. At the top, there is a header with the GammaLib logo (a stylized 'γ' icon), the text 'GammaLib', and a subtitle 'A versatile toolbox for scientific analysis of astronomical gamma-ray data'. Navigation links include 'Home', 'Get it', 'Docs', and 'Extend/Develop'. Below the header, a breadcrumb navigation shows 'Home | Documentation »'. On the right side, there are links for 'previous | next | index', 'Previous topic', 'Glossary', 'Next topic', 'Introduction', and a 'Quick search' bar. The main content area features a large heading 'Coding and Design Conventions' and a bulleted list of topics:

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- [Design conventions](#)
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Unit testing



Code testing is an integrated feature of gammalib (and ctools), but not all code is yet covered ...

make check



```
Test event bin: ..... ok
Test event cube: ..... ok
Test binned optimizer: .....
PASS: test_COM

*****
* Python interface testing *
*****
Test GLog: ..... ok
Test GApplicationParse: .. ok
Test GFit: ..... ok
Test GMatrix: ..... ok
Test GMatrixSparse: ..... ok
Test GMatrixSymmetric: ..... ok
Model module dummy test: . ok
Numerics module dummy test: . ok
Observation module dummy test: . ok
Optimizer module dummy test: . ok
Test HEALPix map: ..... ok
Test AIT projection map: ..... ok
Test AZP projection map: ..... ok
Test CAR projection map: ..... ok
Test MER projection map: ..... ok
Test SIC projection map: ..... ok
Test TAN projection map: ..... ok
Test FK5 to Galactic coordinate conversion: .. ok
Test GNodeArray: ..... ok
Test GUrfFile: .. ok
Test GUrfString: .. ok
Test module dummy test: . ok
XML module dummy test: . ok
Test GPhas: ... ok
Test GArf: ... ok
Test GRmf: .... ok
MWL dummy test: . ok
Test CTA effective area classes: ..... ok
Test CTA PSF classes: ..... ok
Test CTA ON/OFF analysis: .... ok
LAT dummy test: . ok
COMPTEL dummy test: . ok
PASS: test_python.py
=====
All 20 tests passed
=====
```

Each dot is an individual test case:

. = okay

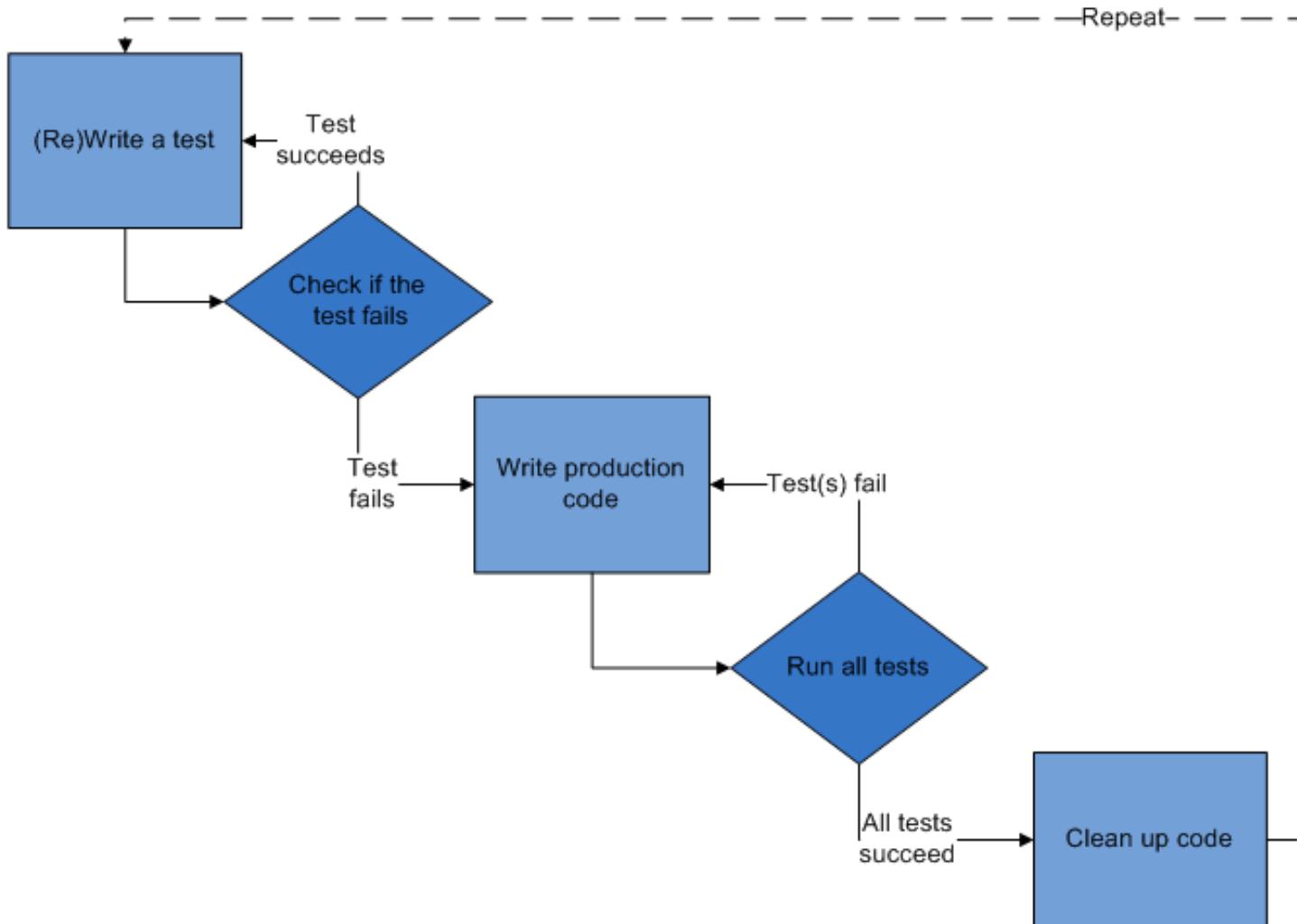
F = failure (unexpected result)

E = error (unexpected behaviour, e.g. seg. fault)

Note: for automake >= 1.13, console dumps end up in test/test_*.log

Test driven development

You should give it a try ...



How to write a new C++ unit test? As C++ class!

(see `inst/test/test_CTA.hpp` and `inst/test/test_CTA.cpp`)

Create a class that derived from GTestSuite

```
class TestGCTAResponse : public GTestSuite {
public:
    // Constructors and destructors
    TestGCTAResponse(void) : GTestSuite() {}
    virtual ~TestGCTAResponse(void) {}

    // Methods
    virtual void set(void);
    virtual TestGCTAResponse* clone(void) const;
    void test_response_aeff(void);
    void test_response_psf(void);
    void test_response_psf_king(void);
    void test_response_npsf(void);
    void test_response_irf_diffuse(void);
    void test_response_npred_diffuse(void);
    void test_response(void);
};
```

Implement set method

```
void TestGCTAResponse::set(void)
{
    // Set test name
    name("GCTAResponse");

    // Append tests to test suite
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response), "Test response");
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response_aeff), "Test aeff profile PSF");
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response_psf), "Test PSF profile PSF");
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response_psf_king), "Test King profile PSF");
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response_npsf), "Test integrated PSF");
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response_irf_diffuse), "Test diffuse IRF");
    append(static_cast<pfunction>(&TestGCTAResponse::test_response_npred_diffuse), "Test diffuse IRF integration");

    // Return
    return;
}
```

Append GTestSuite to container, run tests and save results

```
int main(void)
{
    // Allocate test suit container
    GTestSuites testsuites("CTA instrument specific class testing");

    // Check if data directory exists
    bool has_data = (access(datadir.c_str(), R_OK) == 0);
    if (has_data) {
        std::string caldb = "CALDB=" + cta_caldb;
        putenv((char*)caldb.c_str());
    }

    // Initially assume that we pass all tests
    bool success = true;

    // Create test suites and append them to the container
    TestGCTAResponse rsp;
    TestGCTAObservation obs;
    TestGCTAModelBackground bck;
    TestGCTAOptimize opt;
    testsuites.append(rsp);
    if (has_data) {
        testsuites.append(bck);
        testsuites.append(obs);
        testsuites.append(opt);
    }

    // Run the testsuites
    success = testsuites.run();

    // Save test report
    testsuites.save("reports/GCTA.xml");

    // Return success status
    return (success ? 0 : 1);
}
```

And in Python?

Create class derived from GPythonTestSuite

```
# ===== #
# Test class for GammaLib CTA module #
# ===== #
class Test(GPythonTestSuite):
    """
    Test class for GammaLib CTA module.
    """

    # Constructor
    def __init__(self):
        """
        Constructor.
        """
        # Call base class constructor
        GPythonTestSuite.__init__(self)

        # Return
        return

    # Set test functions
    def set(self):
        """
        Set all test functions.
        """
        # Set test name
        self.name("CTA")

        # Append tests
        self.append(self.test_aeff, "Test CTA effective area classes")
        self.append(self.test_psf, "Test CTA PSF classes")
        self.append(self.test_onoff, "Test CTA ON/OFF analysis")

        # Return
        return
```

Allocate test class, append to container, run tests and save results

```
# ===== #
# Main routine entry point #
# ===== #
if __name__ == '__main__':
    """
    Perform unit testing for Python interface.
    """

    # Allocate test suites
    suites = GTestSuites("Python interface testing")

    # Allocate test suite and append them to the container
    suite_cta = test_CTA.Test()
    suite_cta.set()
    suites.append(suite_cta)

    # Run test suite
    success = suites.run()

    # Save test results
    suites.save("reports/GPython.xml")

    # Set return code
    if success:
        rc = 0
    else:
        rc = 1

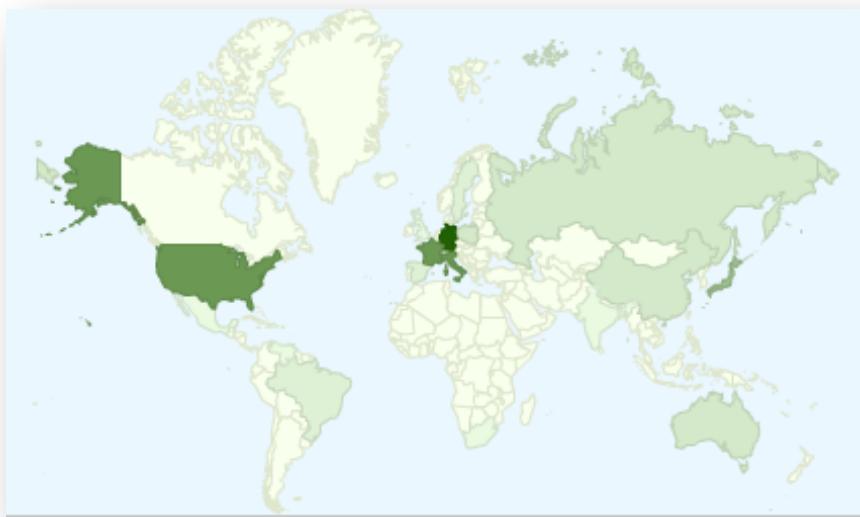
    # Exit with return code
    sys.exit(rc)
```

3. Current status

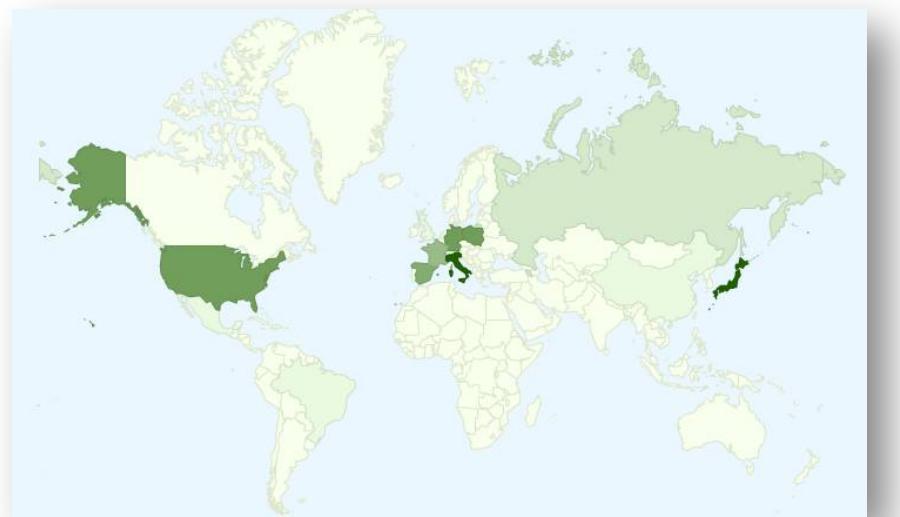
GammaLib world map

SourceForge downloads

2013



2014



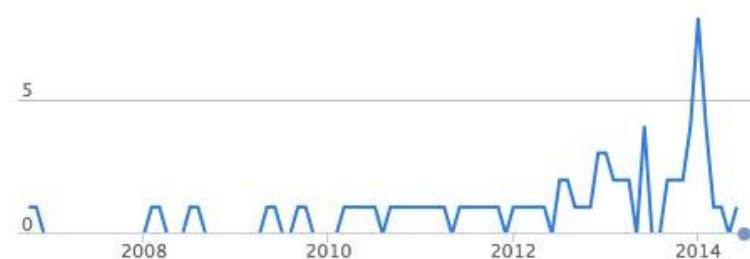
GammaLib & ctools statistics

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Lines of Code



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Current status

GammaLib

- Release 00-08-01
- Includes abstract observation handling, data modelling, model fitting, application support
- Provides FITS and XML interfaces
- Homogeneous class interfaces
- Support for
 - CTA (binned and unbinned)
 - Fermi/LAT (binned)
 - COMPTEL (binned)
 - Multi-wavelength

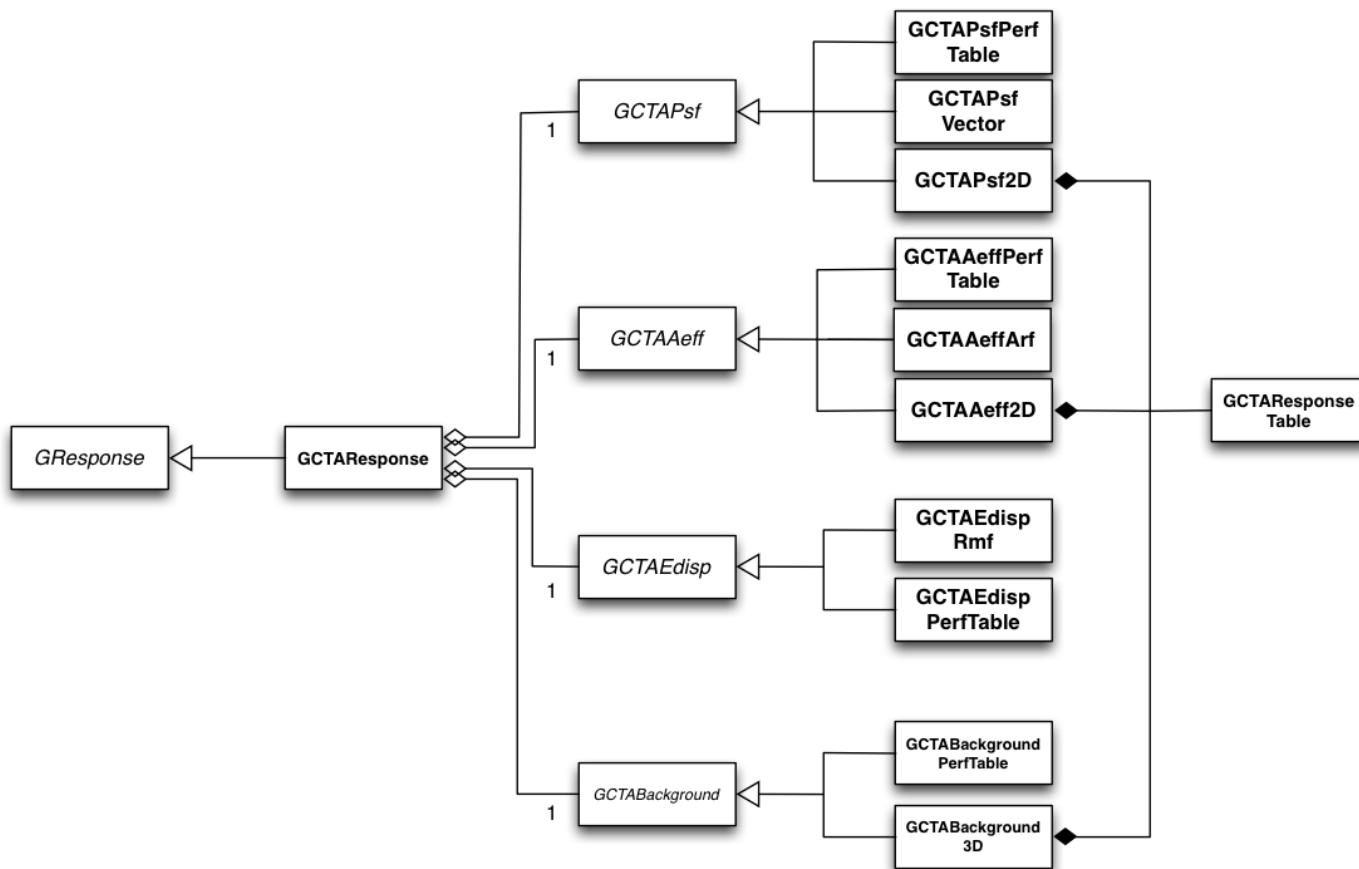
ctools

- Release 00-07-01
- Provides observation simulation, event selection, binning, model fitting, sky mapping
- Supports multi-instrument fitting

Current IRF handling

$$R_\gamma(\alpha', \delta', E' | \alpha, \delta, E, \vec{a}) = \frac{\text{effective area (cm}^2\text{)}}{\int d\alpha' d\delta' PSF(\alpha', \delta' | \alpha, \delta, E, \vec{a})} \times \frac{\text{point spread function}}{\int dE' D(E' | \alpha, \delta, E, \vec{a})}$$

Full area, no angle cuts



Performance tables (historic)

log(E)	Area	r68	r80	ERes.	BG	Rate	Diff	Sens
-1.7	261.6	0.3621	0.4908	0.5134	1.89924e-02	6.88237e-11		
-1.5	5458.2	0.2712	0.3685	0.4129	1.00972e-01	1.72717e-11		
-1.3	15590.0	0.1662	0.2103	0.2721	5.75623e-02	6.16963e-12		
-1.1	26554.1	0.1253	0.1567	0.2611	2.13008e-02	2.89932e-12		
-0.9	52100.5	0.1048	0.1305	0.1987	8.87292e-03	1.39764e-12		
-0.7	66132.1	0.0827	0.1024	0.1698	1.09756e-03	6.03531e-13		
-0.5	108656.8	0.0703	0.0867	0.1506	4.84287e-04	3.98147e-13		
-0.3	129833.0	0.0585	0.0722	0.1338	1.57546e-04	3.23090e-13		
-0.1	284604.3	0.0531	0.0656	0.1008	1.36703e-04	2.20178e-13		
0.1	263175.3	0.0410	0.0506	0.0831	2.09694e-05	1.87452e-13		
0.3	778048.6	0.0470	0.0591	0.0842	6.92374e-05	1.53976e-13		
0.5	929818.8	0.0391	0.0492	0.0650	1.45844e-05	1.18947e-13		
0.7	1078450.0	0.0335	0.0415	0.0541	1.15959e-05	1.51927e-13		
0.9	1448579.1	0.0317	0.0397	0.0516	4.71231e-06	1.42439e-13		
1.1	1899905.0	0.0290	0.0372	0.0501	8.14997e-06	1.96670e-13		
1.3	2476403.8	0.0285	0.0367	0.0538	5.91940e-06	2.20695e-13		
1.5	2832570.6	0.0284	0.0372	0.0636	7.33847e-06	3.22523e-13		
1.7	3534065.3	0.0290	0.0386	0.0731	1.34549e-05	4.84153e-13		
1.9	3250103.4	0.0238	0.0308	0.0729	4.42228e-06	6.26265e-13		
2.1	3916071.6	0.0260	0.0354	0.0908	2.26648e-06	7.69921e-13		

Notes

- 1) log(E) = log10(E/TeV) - bin centre
- 2) Eff Area - in square metres after background cut (no theta cut)
- 3) Ang. Res - 68% containment radius of gamma-ray PSF post cuts - in degrees
- 4) Ang. Res - 80% containment radius of gamma-ray PSF post cuts - in degrees
- 5) Fractional Energy Resolution (rms)
- 6) BG Rate - inside point-source selection region - post call cuts - in Hz
- 7) Diff Sens - differential sensitivity for this bin expressed as E^2 dN/dE - in erg cm^-2 s^-1 - for a 50 hours exposure - 5 sigma significance including systematics and statistics and at least 10 photons.

GCTAAeffPerfTable
 GCTAPsfPerfTable
 GCTAEdispPerfTable
 GCTABackgroundPerfTable

Only on-axis information

A_{eff} and B_{rate} off-axis dependence modelled using $B(\theta) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\theta^4}{\sigma^2}\right)$
 Gaussians assumed for PSF and energy dispersion

ARF, RMF, PSF vectors (1DC)

The figure displays three separate fv binary table editors, each showing a different type of vector data:

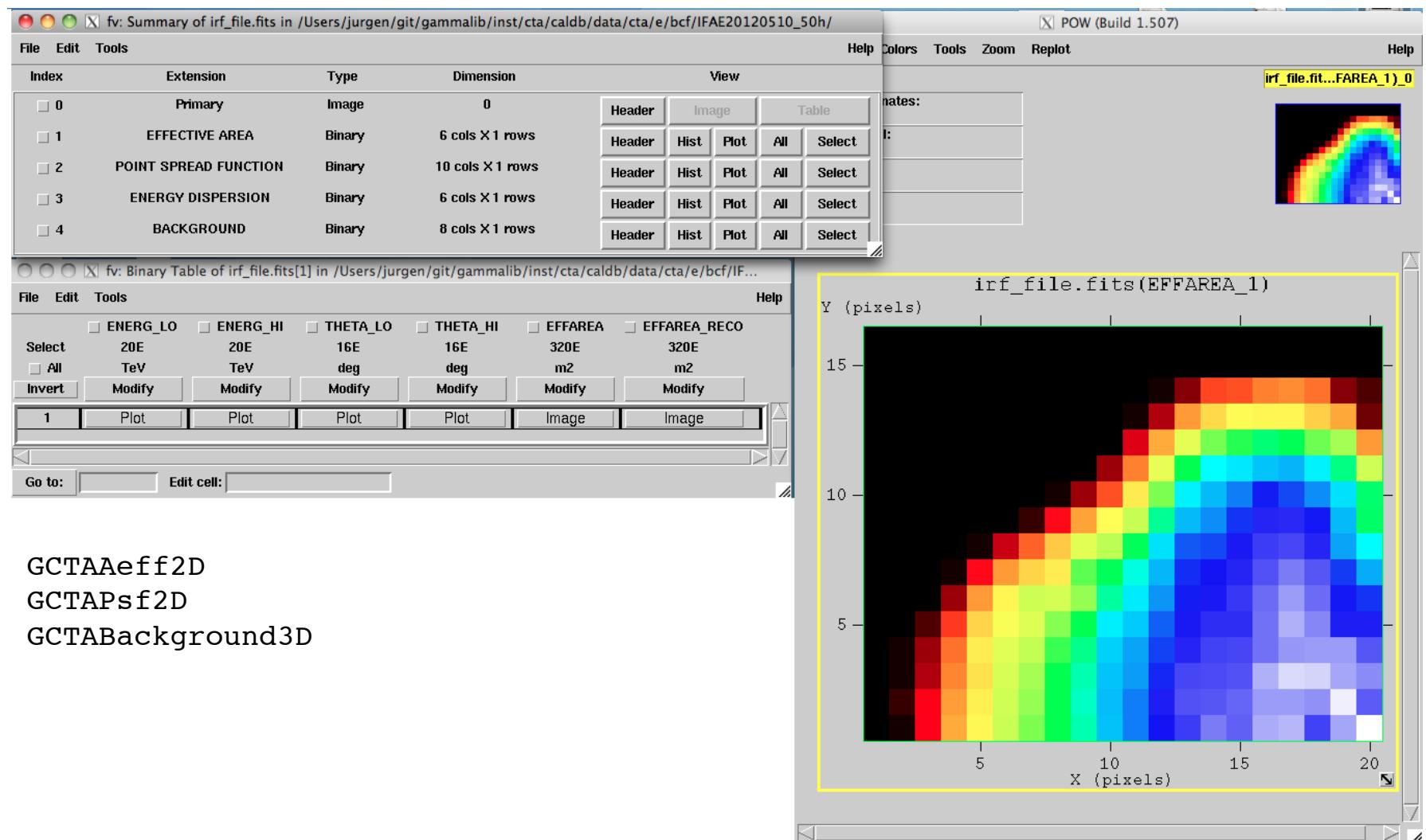
- Left Editor (ARF):** Shows a table with columns: Select, ENERG_LO, ENERG_HI, SPECRESP, TeV, TeV, m^2. The data consists of 20 rows of values.
- Middle Editor (RMF):** Shows a table with columns: Select, ENERG_LO, ENERG_HI, N_GRP, F_CHAN, N_CHAN, MATRIX, E, I, PI(1), PI(1), PE(11). The data consists of 20 rows of values.
- Right Editor (PSF):** Shows a table with columns: Select, ENERG_LO, ENERG_HI, ANGRES40, D, D, deg, TeV, TeV, deg. The data consists of 20 rows of values.

GCTAAeffArf
GCTAPsfVector
GCTAEdispRmf

Only on-axis information

A_{eff} and B_{rate} off-axis dependence modelled using $B(\theta) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\theta^4}{\sigma^2}\right)$
Gaussian assumed for PSF

Response cubes (new proposed standard)

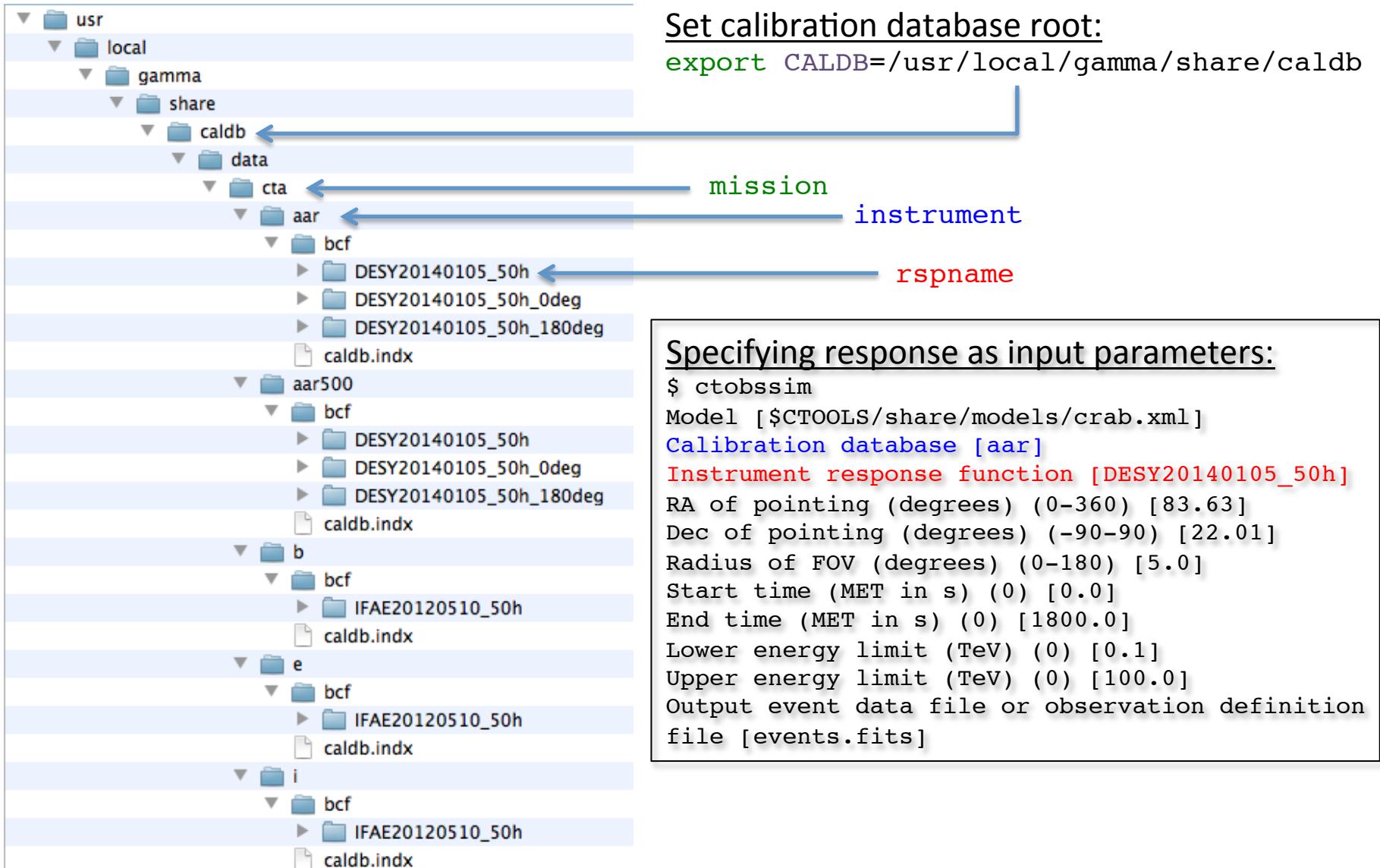


GCTAAeff2D

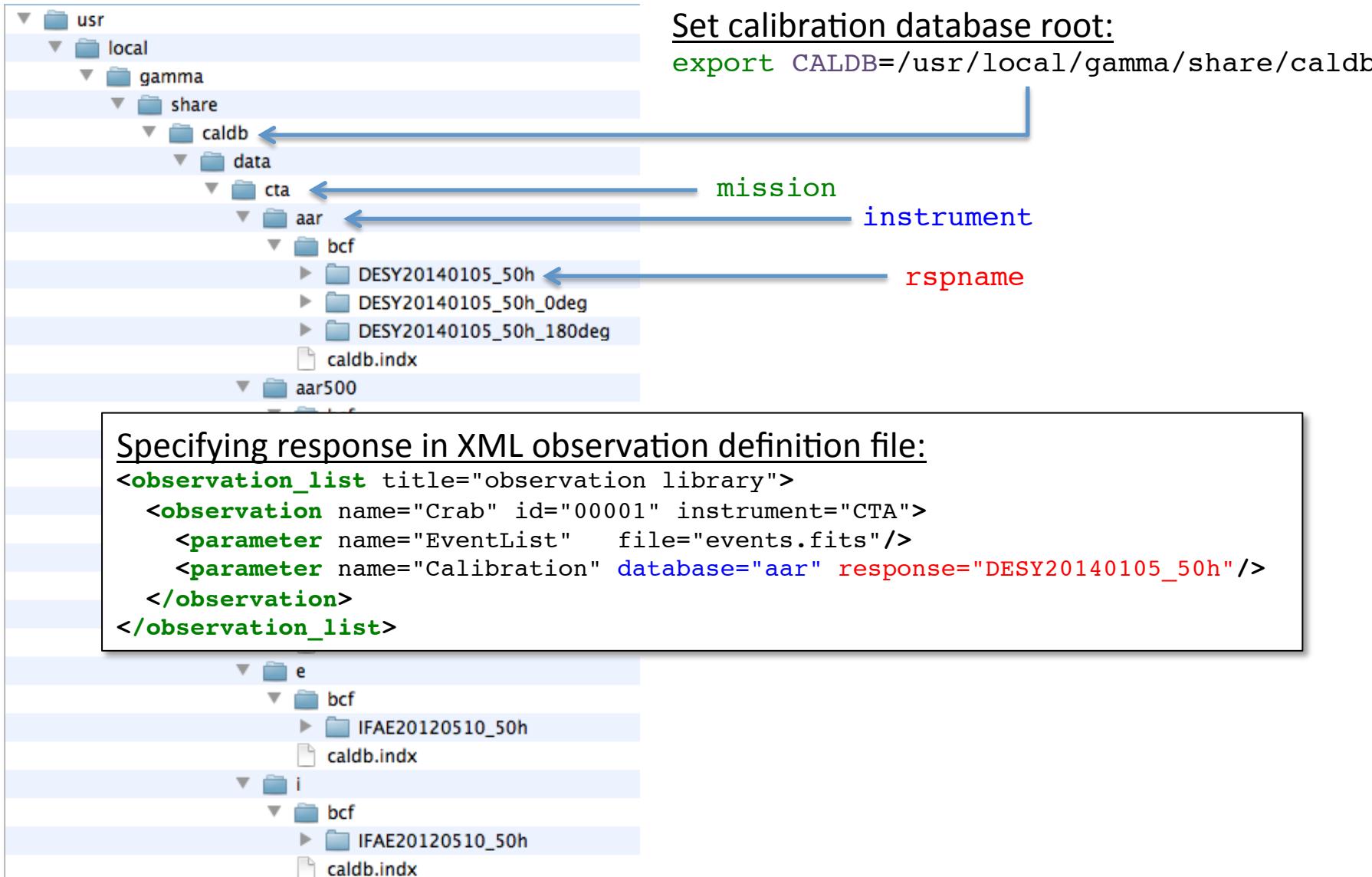
GCTAPsf2D

GCTABackground3D

Calibration database usage



Calibration database usage



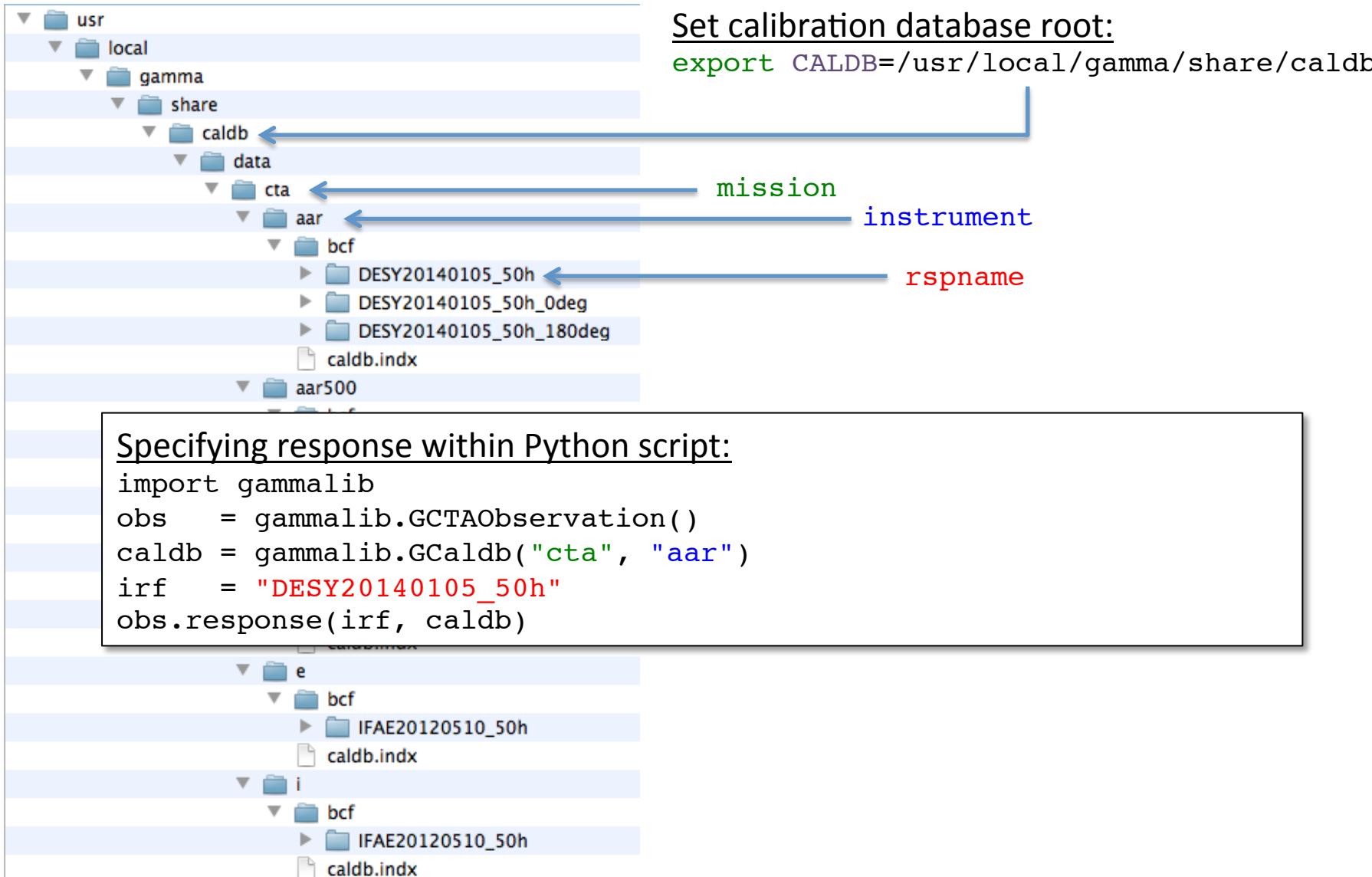
Set calibration database root:

```
export CALDB=/usr/local/gamma/share/caldb
```

Specifying response in XML observation definition file:

```
<observation_list title="observation library">
  <observation name="Crab" id="00001" instrument="CTA">
    <parameter name="EventList" file="events.fits"/>
    <parameter name="Calibration" database="aar" response="DESY20140105_50h"/>
  </observation>
</observation_list>
```

Calibration database usage



Calibration database summary

```
$ cscaldb debug=yes
2014-07-04T20:56:30: +=====
2014-07-04T20:56:30: | Parameters |
2014-07-04T20:56:30: +=====
2014-07-04T20:56:30:   chatter .....: 2
2014-07-04T20:56:30:   clobber .....: yes
2014-07-04T20:56:30:   debug .....: yes
2014-07-04T20:56:30:   mode .....: ql
2014-07-04T20:56:30:
2014-07-04T20:56:30: +=====
2014-07-04T20:56:30: | Mission: cta |
2014-07-04T20:56:30: +=====
2014-07-04T20:56:30: === Calibration: aar ===
2014-07-04T20:56:30: DESY20140105_50h
2014-07-04T20:56:30: DESY20140105_50h_0deg
2014-07-04T20:56:30: DESY20140105_50h_180deg
2014-07-04T20:56:30:
2014-07-04T20:56:30: === Calibration: aar500 ===
2014-07-04T20:56:30: DESY20140105_50h
2014-07-04T20:56:30: DESY20140105_50h_0deg
2014-07-04T20:56:30: DESY20140105_50h_180deg
2014-07-04T20:56:30:
2014-07-04T20:56:30: === Calibration: b ===
2014-07-04T20:56:30: IFAE20120510_50h
```

Calibration file usage

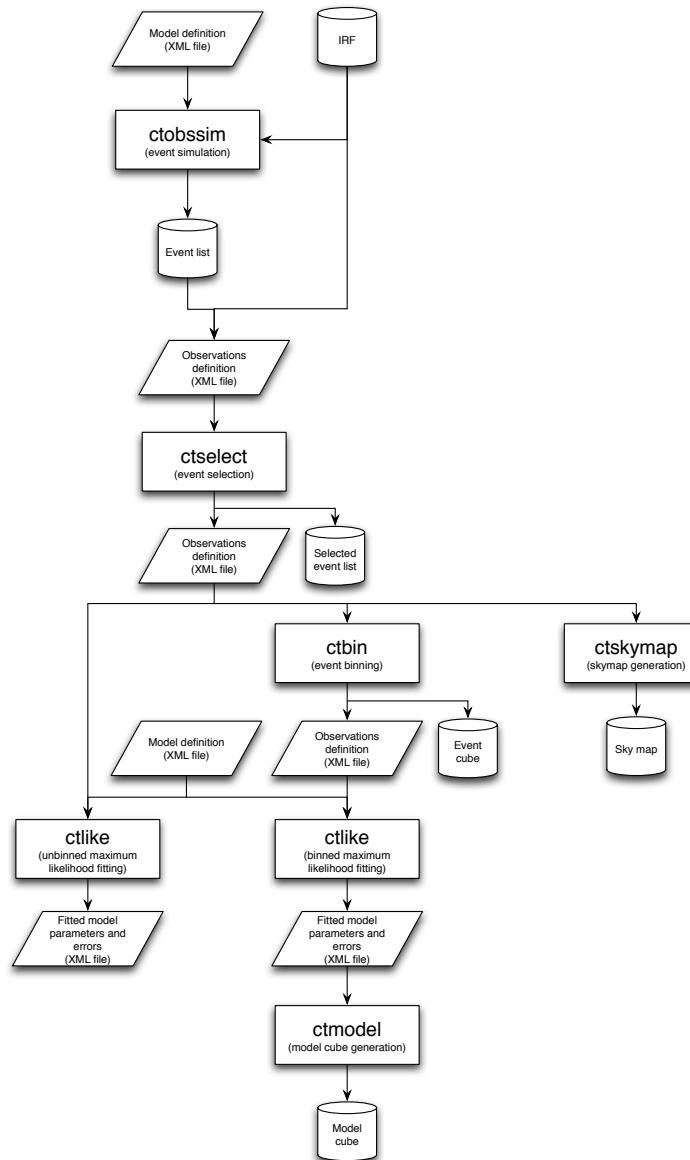
Specifying response in XML observation definition file:

```
<observation_list title="observation library">
  <observation name="Crab" id="00001" instrument="CTA">
    <parameter name="EventList"           file="events.fits"/>
    <parameter name="EffectiveArea"      file="$CALDB/data/cta/aar/bcf/DESY20140105_50h/irf.fits"/>
    <parameter name="PointSpreadFunction" file="$CALDB/data/cta/aar/bcf/DESY20140105_50h/irf.fits"/>
    <parameter name="EnergyDispersion"   file="$CALDB/data/cta/aar/bcf/DESY20140105_50h/irf.fits"/>
    <parameter name="Background"        file="$CALDB/data/cta/aar/bcf/DESY20140105_50h/irf.fits"/>
  </observation>
</observation_list>
```

Specifying response within Python script:

```
import gammalib
obs = gammalib.GCTAObservation()
caldb = gammalib.GCaldb("$CALDB/data/cta/aar/bcf/DESY20140105_50h")
irf = "irf.fits"
obs.response(irf, caldb)
```

Typical ctools workflows



ctobssim

Simulation of CTA event list based on the IRF, a source & background model, and a given pointing direction.

- Does not yet consider visibility constraints.
- Can simulate multiple pointings / event lists from within Python (OpenMP support).

```
$ ctobssim
Model [$CTOOLS/share/models/crab.xml]
Calibration database [aar]
Instrument response function [DESY20140105_50h]
RA of pointing (degrees) (0-360) [83.63]
Dec of pointing (degrees) (-90-90) [22.01]
Radius of FOV (degrees) (0-180) [5.0]
Start time (MET in s) (0) [0.0]
End time (MET in s) (0) [1800.0]
Lower energy limit (TeV) (0) [0.1]
Upper energy limit (TeV) (0) [100.0]
Output event data file or observation definition file [events.fits]
```

Proposed evolution:

- Separate pointing definition from ctobssim (e.g. ctpntsim) to handle multiple pointings and to implement visibility constraints. Define pointing definition file (XML).

ctselect

Select CTA events from event file(s).

- Works on individual FITS files and observation definition XML files.

```
$ ctselect
Input event list or observation definition file [events.fits]
RA for ROI centre (degrees) (0-360) [83.63]
Dec for ROI centre (degrees) (-90-90) [22.01]
Radius of ROI (degrees) (0-180) [3.0]
Start time (CTA MET in seconds) (0) [0.0]
End time (CTA MET in seconds) (0) [0.0]
Lower energy limit (TeV) (0) [0.1]
Upper energy limit (TeV) (0) [100.0]
Output event list or observation definition file [selected_events.fits]
```

```
DSTYP1 = 'TIME'          / Data selection type
DSUNI1 = 's'              / Data selection unit
DSVAL1 = 'TABLE'          / Data selection value
DSREF1 = ':GTI'           / Data selection reference
DSTYP2 = 'POS(RA,DEC)'   / Data selection type
DSUNI2 = 'deg'            / Data selection unit
DSVAL2 = 'CIRCLE(83.63,22.01,3)' / Data selection value
DSTYP3 = 'ENERGY'         / Data selection type
DSUNI3 = 'TeV'            / Data selection unit
DSVAL3 = '0.1:100'        / Data selection value
```

Data selection keywords
in FITS header

Proposed evolution:

None.

ctbin

Bin CTA events into 3D event cube (RA/GLON, DEC/GLAT, \log_{10} energy).

- Works on individual FITS files and observation definition XML files.
- Coordinate system rotation (axisrot) not yet implemented.

```
$ ctbin
Input event list or observation definition file [events.fits]
First coordinate of image center in degrees (RA or galactic l) [83.63]
Second coordinate of image center in degrees (DEC or galactic b) [22.01]
Algorithm for defining energy bins (FILE|LIN|LOG) [LOG]
Start value for first energy bin in TeV [0.1]
Stop value for last energy bin in TeV [10]
Number of energy bins [10]
Projection method e.g. AIT|AZP|CAR|MER|STG|TAN (AIT|AZP|CAR|MER|STG|TAN) [TAN]
Coordinate system (CEL - celestial, GAL - galactic) (CEL|GAL) [GAL] CEL
Image scale (in degrees/pixel) [0.02]
Size of the X axis in pixels [200]
Size of the Y axis in pixels [200]
Output counts map or observation definition file [cntmap.fits]
```

Proposed evolution:

- Implement all WCS projections (GammaLib).
- Implement HealPix?
- Combination of several event lists into single cube? (or separate tool?)

ctlike

Fit parametric source & background model to events.

- Binned and unbinned maximum likelihood.
- Fits all GammaLib supported instrument data.
- Parallel computation of multiple observations (OpenMP).

```
$ ctlike
Event list, counts map or observation definition file [events.fits]
Calibration database [dummy] aar
Instrument response function [cta_dummy_irf] DESY20140105_50h
Source model [$CTOOLS/share/models/crab.xml]
Source model output file [crab_results.xml]
```

Proposed evolution:

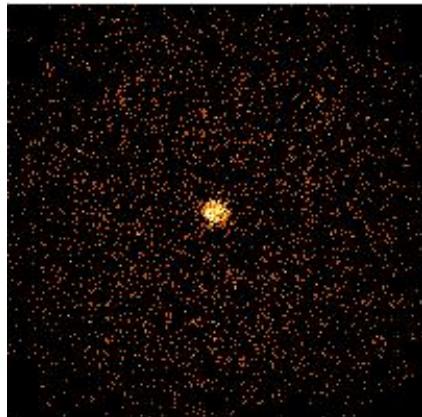
- Implement full Hessian computation for error estimation (GammaLib).
- Speed-up binned analysis (GammaLib).

ctmodel

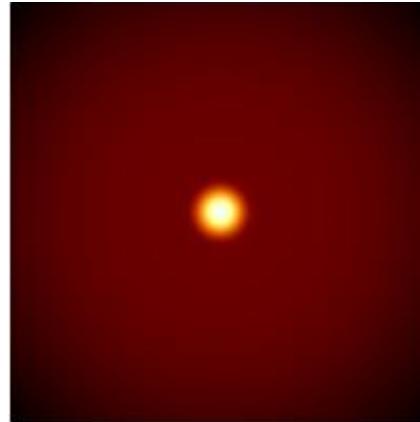
Create model counts map for a given model.

- Works on individual FITS files and observation definition XML files.
- Specifying counts map(s).

```
$ ctmodel
Input counts map or observation definition file [NONE] cntmap.fits
Output counts map or observation definition file [modmap.fits]
Calibration database [$CTOOLS/share/caldb/data/cta/dummy] aar
Instrument response function [cta_dummy_irf] DESY20140105_50h
Source model [$CTOOLS/share/models/crab.xml]
```



cntmap.fits



modmap.fits

Proposed evolution:

- None.

ctskymap

Bin CTA events into 2D sky map (RA/GLON, DEC/GLAT).

- Basically 2D version of ctbin.
- Works on individual FITS files only.
- Coordinate system rotation (axisrot) not yet implemented.

```
$ ctskymap
Output file name [skymap.fits]
Event data file name [events.fits]
First coordinate of image center in degrees (RA or galactic l) [83.63]
Second coordinate of image center in degrees (DEC or galactic b) [22.01]
Minimum energy in TeV [0.1]
Maximum energy in TeV [100.0]
Projection method e.g. AIT|AZP|CAR|MER|STG|TAN (AIT|AZP|CAR|MER|STG|TAN) [CAR]
Coordinate system (CEL - celestial, GAL - galactic) (CEL|GAL) [CEL]
Image scale (in degrees/pixel) [0.02]
Size of the X axis in pixels [200]
Size of the Y axis in pixels [200]
```

Proposed evolution:

- Combination of several event lists into single map.
- Implement imaging algorithms (e.g. ring background, template background, ...)
- Implement all WCS projections (GammaLib).
- Implement HealPix?

4. Goals of this sprint

Goals of this sprint

Work plan

Continuation of previous works (to be completed)

- Implementation of energy resolution handling (Christoph,Ellis): implementation mostly done, high-level testing, profiling/accuracy checks, and documentation still need to be done
- Traditional analysis methods (Pierrick,Maria,Anneli): a simple ON-OFF analysis methods using reflected regions exists, needs to be tested for faint fluxes and compared to existing pipelines, needs to implement ring regions and create ctools
- Implementation of averaged instead of run-wised fitting (Chia-Chun): involves more about handling of IRFs
- Analysis of VERITAS data with gammalib/ctools (Nathan,Lucie,Maria): more testing

New developments (to be updated)

- Already listed feature requests (issue numbers to be given)
- Problems with diffuse models (Pierrick, currently under investigation, #1198 potentially solved after #1151)
- Improve analysis of extended sources because takes far too much time compared to point source (Michael,Rolf)
- Interface with FACT events and response (Matteo)

List of features, actions, etc. that could be handled during the code sprint

I (JK) went over the list of issues and extracted those that might be relevant for the coding sprint (in decreasing order or issue number)

GammaLib:

- #1217 – Allow setting Emin and Emax in ctlike
- #1205 – Improve computational speed for CTA binned analysis
- #1199 – Adding new class GCTAPsfMap
- #1198 – Incorrect results for fitting of diffuse models
- #1197 – Gammlib should check consistency of model and observation xmls
- #1140 – Have consistent units for spectral models
- #1135 – Prefactor of GMModelSpatialDiffuseMap is ignored in Monte Carlo simulation
- #1126 – Add GCTAEdisp2D class (2nd code sprint leftover)
- #1125 – Add unit test for 3D interpolation in GCTAResponseTable
- #1124 – Implement region rotation (linked to ON-OFF method)
- #1123 – Implement energy dependent SkyRegion (linked to ON-OFF method)
- #1122 – Calculate IRFs for GSkyRegions (linked to ON-OFF method)
- #1121 – Create GSkyRegionSkyMap class (linked to ON-OFF method)
- #1118 – Document CTA energy dispersion in the GammaLib user manual
- #1060 – Investigate whether a more precise curvature matrix computation is needed (related to computation of error bars)

ctools:

- #1152 – Add ctool for quick look and checks
- #1145 – ctobssim should also fill the DETX and DETY columns
- #1136 – Allow for energy integration in ctmodel
- #1115 – Create pointing simulation tool
- #1037 – Implement ctools to combine run-wise IRFs for fast binned likelihood analysis

Agenda

Monday

- 12h30–13h30: *Lunch*
- 13h30–15h30: Introduction to GammaLib / ctools (Jürgen)
- 15h30–16h00: *Coffee break*
- 16h00–18h00: Status reports on ctools science verification and usage (times including discussion)
 - Fermi ctools analysis (20 min, Jürgen (Anneli only comes on Wednesday))
 - HESS HAP ctools analysis (20 min, Chia-Chun)
 - HESS ParisAnalysis ctools analysis (20 min, Stefan or Rolf for Michael)
 - VERITAS ctools analysis (10 min, Rolf for Nathan)
 - To be confirmed: CTA starburst simulations (20 min, Stefan)
 - To be confirmed: CTA Crab Nebula simulations (10 min, Rolf)

Tuesday

- 9h30–10h30: other contributions
- 10h30–11h00: *Coffee break*
- 11h00–12h00: Gammalib / ctools 1.0 release plan / discussion (all)
- 12h00–13h00: Gammalib / ctools paper plan / discussion (all)
- 13h00–14h00: *Lunch*
- 14h00–18h00: Coding

Wednesday

- 9h30–18h00: Coding
- 12:30–13:30: *Lunch*
- 13:30–14:00: German Hermann will show some and explain some hardware that is being built at MPIK for the CTA FlashCam ... those that are interested can come along after lunch before going back to coding.

Thursday

- 9h30–18h00: Coding

Friday

- 9h30–12h30: Coding, Debriefing, Next steps
- 12h30–13h30: *Lunch (optional)*