

## GammaLib - Feature #1147

### Implement GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw

02/16/2014 12:38 PM - Mayer Michael

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	02/16/2014
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	<b>Due date:</b>	
<b>Assigned To:</b>	Mayer Michael	<b>% Done:</b>	100%
<b>Category:</b>		<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
<b>Target version:</b>	00-09-00		
<b>Description</b>			
<p>The final piece of spectral models which is missing in gammalib to fully support work with the second Fermi Catalog (2FGL) is a power law with a super exponential cut off. The formula which is needed can be found <a href="#">here</a></p> <p>The proposed XML interface is:</p> <pre>&lt;spectrum type="PLSuperExpCutoff"&gt;   &lt;parameter free="1" max="100" min="0.01" name="Prefactor" scale="1e-17" value="1.0"/&gt;   &lt;parameter free="1" max="5" min="0" name="Index1" scale="-1" value="2.0"/&gt;   &lt;parameter free="0" max="1e7" min="1e5" name="Scale" scale="1" value="1e6"/&gt;   &lt;parameter free="1" max="100" min="0.01" name="Cutoff" scale="1e6" value="1.0"/&gt;   &lt;parameter free="1" max="5" min="0" name="Index2" scale="1" value="1"/&gt; &lt;/spectrum&gt;</pre> <p>Two things to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The class name: My proposal would be GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw, returning "PLSuperExpCutoff" as type()</li><li>• Do we keep the parameter names from Fermi-LAT or do we change to something more meaningful, e.g. "Index2" -&gt; "CutoffIndex"</li></ul>			

#### History

##### #1 - 02/16/2014 12:39 PM - Mayer Michael

- Subject changed from *Implement @GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw@* to *Implement GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw*
- Assigned To set to Mayer Michael
- Target version set to 00-08-01

##### #2 - 02/16/2014 12:49 PM - Mayer Michael

I created all the necessary files. So far, I only tested the read()-functionality by reading in the 2FGL catalog, which fully succeeded. The corresponding code, which is very much inspired by GModelSpectralExpPlaw is available on branch: *1147-implement-GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw*

##### #3 - 02/16/2014 12:50 PM - Mayer Michael

- % Done changed from 0 to 50

##### #4 - 02/16/2014 01:43 PM - Knödseder Jürgen

- Status changed from *New* to *In Progress*
- Target version changed from 00-08-01 to 00-08-02

Mayer Michael wrote:

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super exponential cut off.  
The formula which is needed can be found [here](#)

Thanks for implementing this!

Two things to discuss:

- The class name: My proposal would be GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw, returning "PLSuperExpCutoff" as type()

Fine for me.

- Do we keep the parameter names from Fermi-LAT or do we change to something more meaningful, e.g. "Index2" -> "CutoffIndex"

I think we should use the same philosophy as for other classes. Have the possibility to read in Fermi/LAT XML files, but support also more meaningful names (which in particular should be coherent among GammaLib).

**#5 - 02/16/2014 10:45 PM - Mayer Michael**

- File *pull\_distributions.png* added

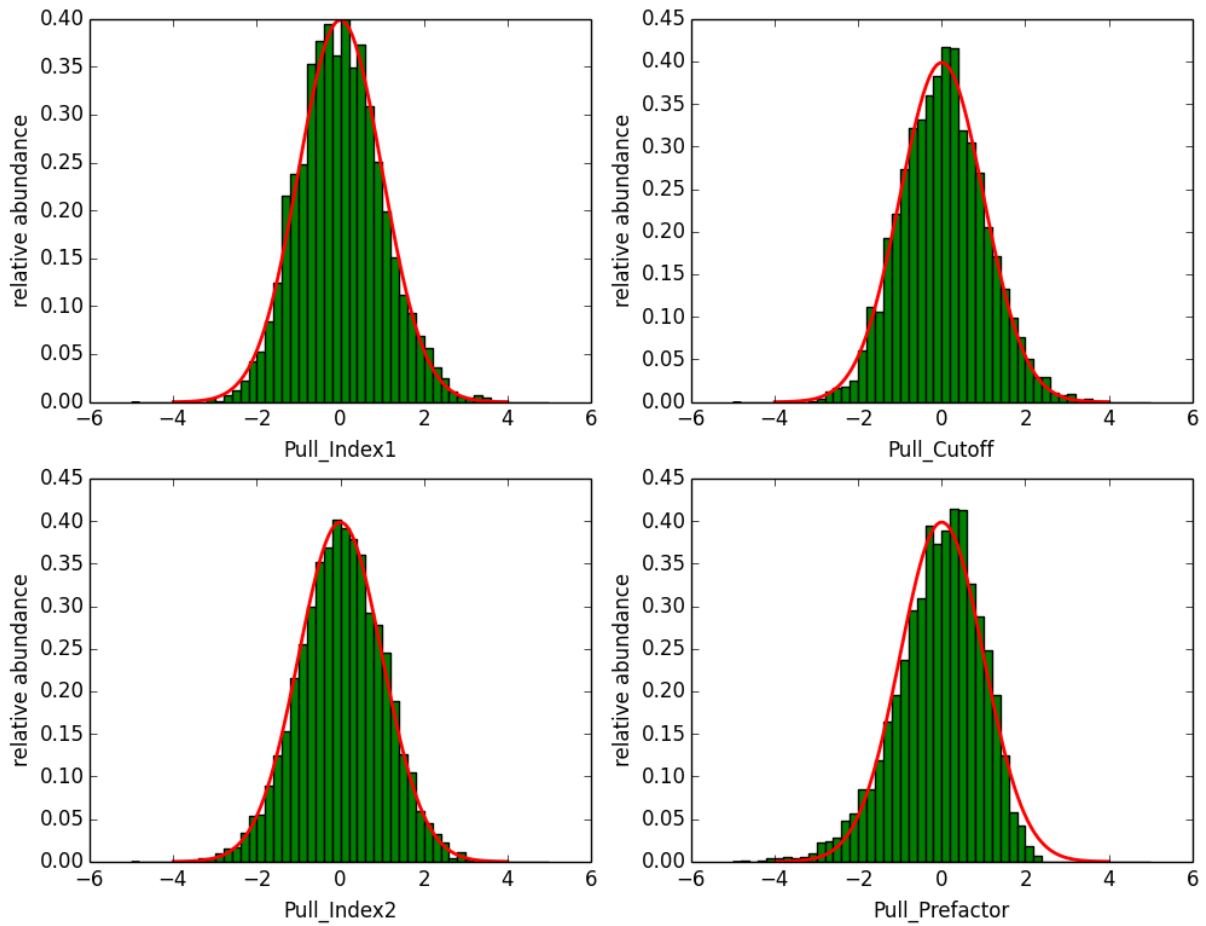
**#6 - 02/16/2014 10:51 PM - Mayer Michael**

- Status changed from *In Progress* to *Feedback*

- % Done changed from 50 to 90

Using `cspull`, I created pull distributions for the GModelSpectralSuperExpPlaw. As input model, I used `$GAMMALIB/test/data/model_point_supeplaw.xml` (available in the feature branch). `cspull` created 3500 trials, each with an effective exposure of 18ks.

The pull distributions look quite ok. However, the prefactor seems to be slightly asymmetric, which might possibly be related to strong correlations of the parameters.



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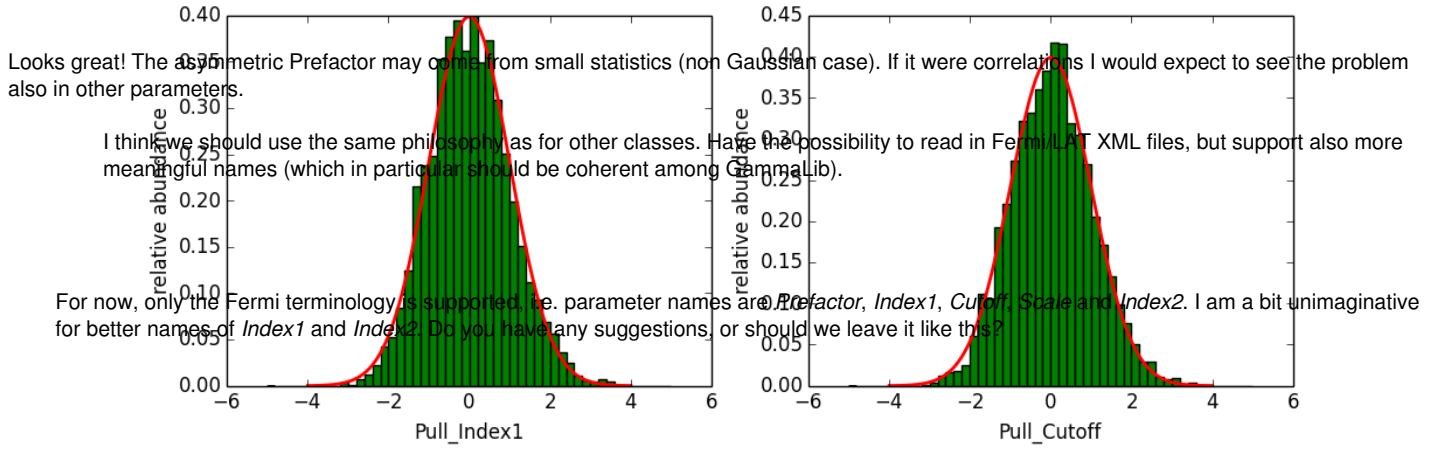
For now, only the Fermi terminology is supported, i.e. parameter names are *Prefactor*, *Index1*, *Cutoff*, *Scale* and *Index2*. I am a bit unimaginative for better names of *Index1* and *Index2*. Do you have any suggestions, or should we leave it like this?

#7 - 02/17/2014 04:42 AM - Knödseder Jürgen

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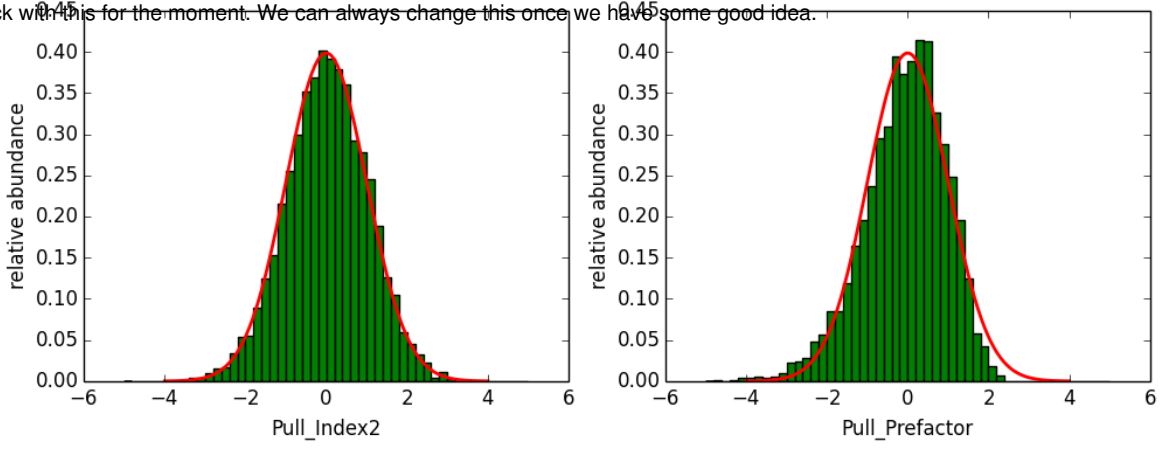


Looks great! The asymmetric Prefactor may come from small statistics (non Gaussian case). If it were correlations I would expect to see the problem also in other parameters.

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Okay, let's stick with this for the moment. We can always change this once we have some good idea.



#8 - 02/17/2014 04:43 AM - Knödseder Jürgen

Is this ready for merging?

#9 - 02/17/2014 09:00 AM - Mayer Michael

- Status changed from Feedback to Pull request
- % Done changed from 90 to 100

Looks great! The asymmetric Prefactor may come from small statistics (non Gaussian case). If it were correlations I would expect to see the problem also in other parameters.

Sounds reasonable.

Is this ready for merging?

Yes, I would say so.

**#10 - 02/17/2014 10:09 PM - Knödlseeder Jürgen**

- Status changed from Pull request to Feedback

Merged into devel.

I made some minor adjustment during integration, the most significant ones being a correction of the XML read method (corrected the expected model type) and the introduction of a unit test.

**#11 - 02/19/2014 11:58 AM - Mayer Michael**

Looks good. Everything is working.

**#12 - 07/19/2014 02:03 AM - Knödlseeder Jürgen**

- Status changed from Feedback to Resolved

- Target version changed from 00-08-02 to 00-09-00

Skip release 0.8.2.

**#13 - 07/20/2014 11:23 PM - Knödlseeder Jürgen**

- Status changed from Resolved to Closed

**Files**

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pull_distributions.png	87.2 KB	02/16/2014	Mayer Michael
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