ctools - Feature #1335

Write csresmap

10/13/2014 03:53 PM - Mayer Michael

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Assigned To:	Mayer Michael	% Done:	100%	
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Target version:	00-08-00			
Description				
To quickly produce residual count maps, we could have a cscript that does the job for you (following #1330). I am not so sure about the naming csresmap yet.				
Related issues:				
Related to ctools - Bug # 1337: The SWIG interface seems to have trouble with			New	10/15/2014

History

#1 - 10/13/2014 04:03 PM - Mayer Michael

I wrote a first version of csresmap. It can be found on branch 1335-write-csresmap. The script support three algorithms to compute the residuals:

1. "SUB" - subtracts the model map from the data map

- 2. "SUBDIV" subtracts the model map from the data map and divides the result by the model map
- 3. "SUBDIVSQRT" subtracts the model map from the data map and divides the result by the square root of the model map

I did a quick test by passing an optimised GObservations-object, which worked fine.

#2 - 10/13/2014 11:54 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- Status changed from New to In Progress
- % Done changed from 0 to 80

Thanks. I merged this into the devel branch.

Just one thing. I think it's better practice to use import ctools and import gammalib instead of from gammalib import *, etc. Don't recall why this is the case, but I move now writing new code with the import gammalib directive. Could you also update the code accordingly?

Also, could you add a short test case to test/test_cscripts.sh.in?

#3 - 10/14/2014 05:36 PM - Mayer Michael

- Status changed from In Progress to Feedback
- % Done changed from 80 to 100

Import style changed and test case added to test/test_cscripts.sh.in (also on branch 1335-write-csresmap)

#4 - 10/15/2014 07:17 AM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- Target version set to 00-08-00

Thanks for doing the changes.

I went over the code and recognized that you had to save the intermediate results to disk before you could compute the residual map. To have the same logic as in the ctools (i.e. the run() method works in memory while the execute() writes the result to disk), I added a cube() set method to ctmodel and changed the script to avoid intermediate results stored to disk. I had a little trouble implementing this as the code

map = bin.cube().map()

lead to an empty sky map while

cube = bin.cube() map = cube.map().copy()

gave the correctly filled skymap. This seems to be related to the memory management of the SWIG interface (e.g., without the copy() there was a segmentation fault). Interestingly, for getting the model map I could directly write

map = model.cube().map()

The difference on the ctools level is that for ctmodel, the cube() method returns a reference to an object that is a member of ctmodel while for ctbin, the cube() method returns an object by value that is constructed on-the-fly. Making the cube object a member of ctbin will probably solve the issue. So there seems to be an issue with the SWIG interface. I opened an issue you track this problem (#1337).

Nevertheless, I integrated csresmap in the devel branch.

#5 - 10/17/2014 03:21 PM - Mayer Michael

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#6 - 10/17/2014 03:45 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

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#8 - 10/17/2014 08:16 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

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Indeed. We may see whether cscript should derive from ctool or directly from GBase. If possible, ctool would probably appropriate. The ctool base class has in fact a Python interface hence we may use it directly in cscripts base class. We could even add Python specific stuff in the interface if needed, which then would avoid to create a specific cscript class.

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What about csspectrum? I would argue that having points is implicit for a spectrum.

#9 - 11/10/2014 10:24 AM - Mayer Michael

I agree very much to add csspectrum. I guess before that we might need to add ctupperlimit (see also #1263), which can be called for every energy bin (or only if the TS is less than a certain value).

#10 - 11/11/2014 11:53 PM - Knödlseder Jürgen

- Status changed from Feedback to Closed