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A python package for working with [spectroscopic data](#) from the [Sloan Digital Sky Survey](#). Bossdata is free software (MIT license) [hosted on github](#) and released via [pypi](#).

Installation

To install, use the command line:

```
% pip install bosssdata
```

To upgrade to the latest version:

```
% pip install bosssdata --upgrade
```

1.1 Requirements

The following additional packages are used by bosssdata and will be installed automatically by pip, if necessary:

- requests
- progressbar
- astropy
- fitsio
- numpy

1.2 Optional Dependencies

The following packages are optional and enable additional functionality. They will not be automatically installed by pip, but will be used when available.

- matplotlib (used by the bosssdata.plot module and bossplot script)

1.3 Quick Demonstration

If you have `matplotlib` installed, you can quickly test that everything is working with:

```
bossplot
```

This should download a small data file for a single spectrum and plot the data in a window. Close the plot window to exit. For more information on `bossplot` and other available command-line scripts, see [Executable scripts](#).

Overview of SDSS Spectroscopic Data

This package is primarily intended for working with data from the [SDSS-III BOSS survey](#), but can also be used to access older data from SDSS-I/II and newer data from the [SEQUELS ancillary program](#) and the [SDSS-IV eBOSS survey](#) (see [Configuration](#) for details).

BOSS data consists of [spectroscopic observations](#) of astrophysical [targets](#). An observation is identified by a triplet of numbers (PLATE,MJD,FIBER). Most BOSS targets only have a single observation. Each observation consists of several 15-minute exposures using red and blue cameras with overlapping wavelength coverage that are combined to give a single co-added spectrum.

The table below summarizes the different files produced by the [spectroscopic pipeline](#) containing the individual and combined exposures contributing to each observation. Files contain from 1 to 1000 spectra, with some duplication between files. Each file provides wavelength, flux, inverse variance, [mask bits](#) and subtracted sky for each of its spectra.

Type	Size	#Tgts	#Exp	Coadd?	Calib?	Datamodel	Bosssdata Class
lite	0.2Mb	1	0	Y	Y	lite	bosssdata.spec.SpecFile
spec	1.7Mb	1	ALL	Y	Y	spec	bosssdata.spec.SpecFile
plate	110Mb	1000	0	Y	Y	plate	bosssdata.plate.PlateFile
cframe	75Mb	500	1	N	Y	cframe	bosssdata.plate.FrameFile
frame	30Mb	500	1	N	N	frame	bosssdata.plate.FrameFile

The following examples show how the same combined spectrum can be *plotted* from lite files and plate files:

```
bossplot --plate 6641 --mjd 56383 --fiber 30
bossplot --plate 6641 --mjd 56383 --fiber 30 --platefile
```

Individual exposures can also be plotted using either spec files, cframe files or frame files:

```
bossplot --plate 6641 --mjd 56383 --fiber 30 --exposure 0
bossplot --plate 6641 --mjd 56383 --fiber 30 --exposure 2 --cframe
bossplot --plate 6641 --mjd 56383 --fiber 30 --exposure 2 --frame
```

Note that the indexing of exposures is different for spec files, which only index exposures used in the final coadd, and (c)frame files which index all available exposures. The indices used in the example all refer to exposure number 00158842, which can be verified by adding the `--verbose` option to these commands. The difference between the cframe and frame files is that the frame gives fluxes in units of flat-fielded detected electrons, before the step of calibrating fluxes using standard stars.

Executable scripts

For complete documentation on the command-line options of any script use the *-help* option, for example:

```
bossquery --help
```

You will normally want to configure `bossdata` by setting some [environment variables](#).

3.1 bossquery

Query the meta data for BOSS observations. For example:

```
bossquery --what PLATE,MJD,FIBER,PLUG_RA,PLUG_DEC,Z --where 'OBJTYPE="QSO"' --sort Z --save qso.dat
```

The *-save* option supports [many different output formats](#) that are automatically selected based on the file extension. In addition, this program automatically maps the *.dat* and *.txt* extensions to the *ascii* format.

The *-what*, *-where* and *-sort* options all use SQL syntax (these are in fact substituted into a SQL string).

- *-what* takes a comma separated list of column names (like SQL SELECT) and defaults to PLATE,MJD,FIBER:

```
--what PLATE,MJD,FIBER,PLUG_RA,PLUG_DEC,Z
```

- *-where* takes a SQL 'WHERE' string:

```
--where ' (OBJTYPE="QSO" and Z > 0.1) or CLASS="QSO" '
```

- *-sort* takes a list of columns with optional DESC keyword following columns to reverse their order (a la SQL ORDER BY):

```
--sort 'CLASS, Z DESC'
```

This command uses an sqlite3 database of metadata that will be created if necessary. By default, the “lite” version database will be used, which provides faster queries and a smaller database file. However, the full [spAll data model](#) is also available with the *-full* option (resulting in slower queries and a larger database file). The “lite” and “full” databases are separate files based on different downloads. Once either has been created the first time, it will be immediately available for future queries. Note that it can take a while to create the initial database file: allow about 30 minutes for either version. Once the database has been created, you can safely delete the downloaded source file if you are short on disk space.

The columns in the lite database are a subset of those in the full database but the values are not numerically identical between them because they are truncated in the text file used to generate the lite database. However, the level of these truncation errors should be insignificant for any science applications.

There are some minor inconsistencies between the data models of the lite and full versions of the meta data provided by BOSS. In particular, the lite format uses the name *FIBER* while the full version uses *FIBERID*. We resolve this by consistently using the shorter form *FIBER* in both SQL databases. Also, the full format includes columns that are themselves arrays. One of these, *MODELFUX(5)*, is included in the lite format using names *MODELFLUX0...MODELFLUX4*. We normalize the mapping of array columns to scalar SQL columns using the syntax *COLNAME_I* for element [i] of a 1D array and *COLNAME_I_J* for element [i,j] of a 2D array, with indices starting from zero. This means, for example, that *MODELFLUX(5)* values are consistently named *MODELFLUX_0...MODELFLUX_4* in both SQL databases.

In the case where a query is made without specifying *-full* but the lite database file is not present, an attempt will be made to use the full database. If neither DB files are present the same logic is applied to the catalog files. If present, the lite catalog file will be parsed and the lite DB created; if that is not present, the full catalog file will be parsed and the full DB created. Only after exhausting these options will a download (of the lite DB) file be attempted.

Note that specifying *-full* will only (and always) use the full DB or catalog file.

The *-quasar-catalog* option can be used to query the [BOSS quasar catalog](#) instead of spAll. By default, the current version of the catalog will be used; use the *-quasar-catalog-name* option to specify an earlier version.

The *--platelist* option can be used to query the [BOSS plate list database](#) instead of spAll.

3.2 bossfetch

Fetch BOSS data files containing the spectra of specified observations and mirror them locally. For example:

```
bossfetch --verbose qso.dat
```

Fetches files will be placed under *\$BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT* with paths that exactly match the URLs they are downloaded from with the prefix substitution:

```
$BOSS_DATA_URL => $BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT
```

For example, with the default configuration given above, the file at:

```
http://dr12.sdss3.org/sas/dr12/boss/spectro/redux/v5_7_0/spectra/lite/3586/spec-3586-55181-0190.fits
```

would be downloaded to:

```
$BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT/sas/dr12/boss/spectro/redux/v5_7_0/spectra/lite/3586/spec-3586-55181-0190.fits
```

By default, the “lite” format of each spectrum data file is downloaded, which is sufficient for many purposes and significantly (about 8x) smaller. The “lite” format contains HDUs 0-3 of the [full spectrum data file](#) and does not include the spectra of individual exposures. To download the full files instead, use the *--full* option. Both types of files can co-exist in your local mirror. You can also load the plate spFrame or flux-calibrated spCFrame files using the *--frame* or *--cframe* options, respectively. These files contain a half plate of spectra for a single band (blue/red) and exposure. Finally, you can load the spPlate files containing combined spectra for a whole plate using the *--platefile* option. See the [Overview of SDSS Spectroscopic Data](#) for details.

The *--verbose* option displays a progress bar showing the fraction of files already locally available. Any files that were previously fetched will not be downloaded again so it is safe and efficient to run *bossfetch* for overlapping lists of observations. Note that the progress bar may appear to update unevenly if some files are already mirrored and others need to be downloaded.

Each data file download is streamed to a temporary files with *.downloading* appended to their name then renamed to remove this extension after the download completes normally. If a download is interrupted or fails for some reason, the partially downloaded file will remain in the local mirror. Re-running a *bossfetch* command will automatically re-download any partially downloaded file.

By default, downloading is split between two parallel subprocesses but you can change this with the `--nproc` option. For downloading “lite” files, using more than 2 subprocesses will probably not improve the overall performance.

If you want to transfer large amounts of files, you should consider using [globus](#). To prepare a *globus* bulk data transfer file list, use the `-globus` option to specify the remote/local endpoint pair *remote#endpoint:local#endpoint*. Note that the `-save` option must also be used to specify an output filename. SDSS endpoints are documented at [here](#).

For example, to transfer files from *lbnl#sdss3* to *local#endpoint*:

```
bossfetch qso.dat --globus lbnl#sdss3:username#endpoint --save globus-xfer.dat
ssh username@cli.globusonline.org transfer -s 1 < globus-xfer.dat
```

3.3 bossplot

Plot the spectrum of a single BOSS observation, identified by its PLATE, MJD of the observation, and the FIBER that was assigned to the target whose spectrum you want to plot. For example (these are the defaults if you omit any parameters):

```
bossplot --plate 6641 --mjd 56383 --fiber 30
```

This should open a new window containing the plot that you will need to close in order to exit the program. To also save your plot, add the `--save-plot` option with a filename that has a standard graphics format extension (pdf,png,...). If you omit the filename, `--save-plot` uses the name `bossplot-{plate}-{mjd}-{fiber}.png`. To save plots directly without displaying them, also use the `--no-display` option.

You can also save the data shown in a plot using `--save-data` with an optional filename (the default is `bossplot-{plate}-{mjd}-{fiber}.dat`). Data is saved using the [ascii.basic](#) format and only wavelengths with valid data are included in the output.

Use `--wlen-range [MIN:MAX]` to specify a wavelength range over which to plot (x-axis), overriding the default, auto-detected range. Similarly, `--flux-range [MIN:MAX]` and `--wdisp-range [MIN:MAX]` work for the flux (left y-axis) and dispersion (right y-axis). MIN and MAX can be either blank (which means use the default value), an absolute value (1000), or a percentage (10%), and percentages and absolute values may be mixed. Working examples:

```
--wlen-range [:7500]
--wlen-range [10%:90%]
--wlen-range [10%:8000]
```

Note that a percentage value between 0-100% is interpreted as a percentile for vertical (flux, wdisp) axes. In all other cases, percentage values specify a limit value equal to a fraction of the full range `[lo:hi]`:

```
limit = lo + fraction*(hi - lo)
```

and can be `<0%` or `>100%` to include padding. Another visual option `--scatter` will give a scatter plot of the flux rather than the flux 1-sigma error band.

Plots include a label `PLATE-MJD-FIBER` by default (or `PLATE-MJD-FIBER-EXPID` for a single exposure). Add the option `--label-pos <VALIGN>-<HALIGN>` option to change its position, with `<VALIGN>` = top, center, bottom and `<HALIGN>` = left, center, right. Use `--label-pos none` to remove the label. Use `--no-grid` to remove the default wavelength grid lines.

Several options are available to see data beyond just object flux. Use `--show-sky` to show the subtracted sky (modeled) flux, `--add-sky` to show the total of object flux and modeled sky flux, `--show-mask` to show grayed regions where data has been masked out because it is deemed invalid, and `--show-dispersion` to show wavelength dispersion.

You will sometimes want to see data that would normally be masked as invalid. To include pixels with a particular `mask bit` set, use the `--allow-mask` option, e.g.:

```
bossplot --allow-mask 'BRIGHTSKY|SCATTEREDLIGHT'
```

Note that multiple flags can be combined using the logical-or symbol `|`, but this requires quoting as shown above. To show all data, including any invalid pixels, use the `--show-invalid` option.

The `bossplot` command will automatically download the appropriate data file if necessary. This is ‘conservative’: if an existing local file can be used to satisfy a request, no new files will be downloaded.

Spectra can be plotted from different data files. By default the `spec-lite` data file is used for a `coadd` or the `spec` file for an individual exposure. Use the `--frame` or `--cframe` options to plot a single-exposure spectrum from a `plate spFrame` file or its flux-calibrated equivalent `spCFrame` file. Use the `--platefile` option to plot the combined spectrum from an `spPlate` file. See the [Overview of SDSS Spectroscopic Data](#) for details.

To plot a single exposure, use the `--exposure` option to specify the sequence number (0,1,...) of the desired exposure. You can also set the `--band` option either `blue` or `red` to plot a single camera’s data, or `both` to superimpose the overlapping data from both cameras. Note that when displaying data from a co-added data product (`spec`, `speclite`, `spPlate`), the exposure sequence number only indexes exposures that were actually used in the final co-added spectrum. However, the `spFrame` and `spCFrame` data products include all exposures used as input to the co-add (based on a `bossdata.plate.Plan`) so, in cases where not all exposures are used, the `--exposure` option indexes a larger list of science exposures. Use the `--verbose` option to display information about the available exposures in either case.

This script uses the `matplotlib` python library, which is not required for the `bossdata` package and therefore not automatically installed, but is included in scientific python distributions like `anaconda`.

Configuration

You will normally want to establish your local configuration and specify which remote data you want to work with using some environment variables:

- **BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT**: The top-level directory where all downloaded data files will be locally mirrored. Make sure there is enough space here for the files you plan to use locally. You might want to exclude this directory from your backups since it can get large and is already backed up remotely.
- **BOSS_DATA_URL**: The top-level URL for downloading data, possibly including account information for accessing proprietary data.
- **BOSS_SAS_PATH**: The top-level path of the data you want to work with, which will normally begin with “/sas”.
- **BOSS_REDUX_VERSION**: The pipeline reconstruction version that you want to work with.

If any of these variables is not specified, defaults appropriate for access the public [Data Release 12](#) will be used and any downloaded data will be saved to a temporary local directory. At a minimum, you should normally specify a permanent location for storing local data by setting the **BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT** environment variable.

The default settings of the other environment variables are equivalent to (in bash):

```
export BOSS_DATA_URL=http://dr12.sdss3.org
export BOSS_SAS_PATH=/sas/dr12/booss
export BOSS_REDUX_VERSION=v5_7_0
```

However these variables are set, the following unix shell command should always print a valid URL that displays a directory listing in any browser:

```
echo $BOSS_DATA_URL/$BOSS_SAS_PATH/booss/spectro/redux/$BOSS_REDUX_VERSION/
```

The sections below describe how to access sources of data other than the default public DR12 release.

4.1 SEQUELS Data

Quoting from [here](#):

For BOSS, the main galaxy clustering survey is entirely contained in v5_7_0. After the main survey was finished, ancillary programs continued — these were processed as v5_7_2, which is the same code but a different processing version number to keep the datasets distinct. The SEQUELS ancillary program has plates in both v5_7_0 and v5_7_2.

To access [SEQUELS](#) data processed as v5_7_2, use:

```
export BOSS_SAS_PATH=/sas/dr12/boss
export BOSS_REDUX_VERSION=v5_7_2
export BOSS_DATA_URL=http://dr12.sdss3.org
```

4.2 SDSS-I/II Spectra

Some spectra from plates 0266 - 3006 are included in the public DR12 release and available under pipeline reduction versions 26, 103 and 104. To access version 26, for example, use:

```
export BOSS_SAS_PATH=/sas/dr12/sdss
export BOSS_REDUX_VERSION=26
export BOSS_DATA_URL=http://dr12.sdss3.org
```

4.3 eBOSS Proprietary Data

Proprietary data from the [eBOSS survey](#) is password protected but still accessible via `bossdata`. Contact the authors for details if you are an SDSS-IV collaborator.

API Usage

To use the `bossdata` package in your own python projects, you will normally start with:

```
import bossdata.path
import bossdata.remote

try:
    finder = bossdata.path.Finder()
    mirror = bossdata.remote.Manager()
except ValueError as e:
    print(e)
    return -1
```

This code will use the environment variables `$BOSS_SAS_PATH`, `$BOSS_REDUX_VERSION`, `$BOSS_DATA_URL` and `$BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT` to configure your access to SDSS data files (see [Configuration](#) for details.) The `finder` and `mirror` objects can be used together to access locally mirrored copies of BOSS data files. For example:

```
remote_path = finder.get_spec_path(plate=4567, mdj=55589, fiber=88, lite=True)
local_path = mirror.get(remote_path)
```

Refer to the [API documentation](#) for details on using the `bossdata.path` and `bossdata.remote` modules.

Certain data files have a helper class for accessing their contents:

- spec,spec-lite: `bossdata.spec.SpecFile`
- plate: `bossdata.plate.PlateFile`
- plan: `bossdata.plate.Plan`
- frame,cframe: `bossdata.plate.FrameFile`

For example, to open the spec-lite file used in the example above, use:

```
import bossdata.spec

spec = bossdata.spec.SpecFile(local_path)
```

The pattern for accessing large metadata files is somewhat different, and handled by the `bossdata.meta.Database` class.

Examples

The following IPython notebooks demonstrate using the API to work with BOSS data:

- [How to plot the spatial distributions of quasar metadata](#)
- [How to use the speclite package to stack sky and quasar spectra](#)
- [Demonstration of `bossdata.plot` functions](#)

Contributing

Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given.

You can contribute in many ways:

7.1 Types of Contributions

7.1.1 Report Issues

Report issues on our [issues page](#). First check that if your issue is already addressed. If so, feel free to join its conversation and add any relevant information from your experience. If this is a new issue, click the `New Issue` button to describe it, including:

- The type of data you are trying to access (BOSS, SEQUELS, ...)
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

7.1.2 Propose a New Feature

You can also open a new issue to propose a new feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

7.1.3 Work on lusses

Look through the [open issues](#) for areas where we currently need help from developers like you. If you find an issue that you are willing to contribute to, start by joining its conversation and tell us about your ideas.

7.1.4 Write Documentation

bossdata could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official bossdata docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

We use the [sphinx napolean extension](#) and write google-style docstrings. Some helpful tips:

- Use ``text <http://url>`_` to embed external links (don't forget the space!)
- Add `.. _scriptname:` before the heading for new scripts in *bin/scripts.rst*. You can refer to these from other markup as `:ref: `scriptname``.
- Refer to another markup document *docs/otherdoc.rst* as `:doc: `/otherdoc``.
- Add cross references to locally defined API entities using:
 - `classes :class: `bosssdata.module.Class``
 - `methods :meth: `bosssdata.module.Class.method``
 - `functions :func: `bosssdata.module.func``
- You can override the default link text by changing `:role: `target`` to `:role: `text <target>``.

7.2 Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up bosssdata for local development.

1. Fork the bosssdata repo on GitHub.
2. Clone your fork locally:

```
git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/bosssdata.git
```

3. Install your local copy for local development:

```
cd bosssdata/  
python setup.py develop --user
```

To later revert back to a system-installed version of the package, un-install your development install using:

```
python setup.py develop --user --uninstall
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
git checkout -b '#nnn'  
git push -u origin '#nnn'
```

where *nnn* is the number of the issue you are working on (quotes are required because of the # symbol in the branch name). Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the unit tests:

```
flake8 --doctests --exclude bosssdata/bits.py --max-line-length 95 bosssdata  
py.test --doctest-modules --verbose bosssdata
```

Note that *--doctest-modules* will require that all external modules imported from our modules are installed, so omit that option if you only want to run the unit tests. If you don't already have flake8, you can pip install it.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
git add .  
git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."  
git push origin '#nnn'
```

7. Submit a [pull request](#).

7.3 Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests, if appropriate.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in HISTORY.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 2.6 and 2.7. Check https://travis-ci.org/dkirkby/bosssdata/pull_requests and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

7.4 Version Update Checklist

1. Start a new release candidate branch, e.g:

```
git checkout -b 0.2.1rc
git push -u origin 0.2.1rc
```

2. Update the version in setup.py
3. Update the __version__ in __init__.py
4. Add a brief description of the changes to HISTORY.rst and update the What's New section of DESCRIPTION.rst (which is what pypi will display for this release). You can get a list of merges to master since the last tagged release using:

```
git log --oneline --merges `git describe --tags --abbrev=0`..HEAD
```

5. Push changes to github, which will trigger a Travis integration test of the release-candidate branch.
6. Create a pull request on github for this branch and ask someone else to review it and give feedback.
7. Merge the pull request.
8. Update local master and tag the new version, e.g:

```
git fetch
git checkout master
git pull
git tag 0.2.1
git push --tags
git branch -d 0.2.1rc
```

9. Submit the changes to pypi:

```
python setup.py sdist bdist_wheel upload
```

10. Update the version in setup.py and __version__ in __init__.py to indicate that master is under development, e.g. to 0.2.2dev.
11. Reset the What's New section of DESCRIPTION.rst and add a new entry at the bottom of HISTORY.rst, e.g:

```
0.2.2 (unreleased)
-----

* No changes yet.
```

12. Update master so that new topic branches will include these changes, e.g:

```
git add setup.py bossdata/__init__.py HISTORY.rst DESCRIPTION.rst
git commit -m 'Start development on version 0.2.2'
git push
```

7.5 New External Dependency Checklist

These steps are not required for modules that are included with the python standard library.

1. Add to *MOCK_MODULES* in *docs/conf.py*.
2. Add the actual version being used to *requirements.txt*
3. Add to the *requirements* list in *setup.py*
4. Mention in *docs/installation.rst*

History

8.1 0.2.8 (unreleased)

- No changes yet.

8.2 0.2.7 (2015-09-28)

- Fix issues #92 #94 #96 #97 #100
- Add support for reading per-exposure flux calibration and correction vectors.
- Add plot functions for per-fiber data vs fiber number or focal-plane position.
- Add a `plug_map` attribute to `spPlate`, `spFrame`, `spCFrame`.
- `FrameFile` infers the spectrograph index and whether flux calibration has been applied.
- `bossdata` infers MJD when possible.
- `bossplot` option “`-camera`” renamed to “`-band`”.

8.3 0.2.6 (2015-08-05)

- Fix issues #67 #74 #86
- The `camera` arg to `SpecFile.get_valid_data` (and related methods) should now be `b1`, `b2`, `r1`, `r2` instead of `blue` or `red`.
- New options for the `get_valid_data` methods: `use_ivar`, `use_loglam`, `fiducial_grid`.

8.4 0.2.5 (2015-07-06)

- Fix issues #27 #28 #63 #64 #68
- New command-line options include:
- `bossplot`: `-platefile`, `-flux-range`, `-wlen-range`, `-wdisp-range`, `-label-pos`, `-no-grid`, `-show-invalid`
- `bossfetch`: `-platefile`

- Adds support for spPlate files and platelist metadata.
- Adds command-line options to customize bossplot axes, add labels and grids, and display invalid data.
- General documentation cleanup.
- Better error handling in bossplot.

8.5 0.2.4 (2015-06-29)

- Fix issues #11 #36 #41 #43 #45 #50
- New command-line options include:
 - bossfetch: `--plate-name`, `--mjd-name`, `--fiber-name`
 - bosscatalog: `--quasar-catalog`, `--quasar-catalog-name`
- The main new functionality is support for querying the quasar catalog, using different data sources, and built-in defaults for any of the four environment variables that is not set.

8.6 0.2.3 (2015-06-22)

- Fix issues #2 #10 #16 #18 #19 #21 #24
- New command-line options include:
 - bossfetch: `--globus`, `--dry-run`
 - bossplot: `--save-data`
 - bossquery: `--sort`
- The main new library functionality is support for using wavelengths and dispersions encoded as “trace sets” in spFrame files via `bossdata.plate.TraceSet`.

8.7 0.2.2 (2015-06-15)

- Really fix issues #9 #13.
- Add support for finding and fetching spFrame and spCFrame files (#17).

8.8 0.2.1 (2015-06-13)

- Fix issues #9 #12 #13

8.9 0.2.0 (2015-06-09)

- Fix issues #3 #5 #6
- Add support for accessing subtracted sky flux to the *spec* module and *bossplot* script.

- This version breaks backwards compatibility with 0.1.0 since the previous `$BOSS_SAS_ROOT` environment variable is now named `$BOSS_SAS_PATH` and has the instrument name (usually *boss*) appended.
- bash users can update by replacing `export BOSS_SAS_ROOT=/sas/dr12` with `export BOSS_SAS_PATH=/sas/dr12/boss` in their `.bashrc` file.

8.10 0.1.0 (2015-05-24)

- First release on PyPI.

Modules API Reference

9.1 bosssdata package

See also [API Usage](#). Use the links below to browse the API docs for each sub-module.

9.1.1 bosssdata.path module

Generate paths to BOSS data files.

The path module provides convenience methods for building the paths of frequently used data files. Most scripts will create a single *Finder* object using the default constructor for this purpose:

```
import bosssdata.path
finder = bosssdata.path.Finder()
```

This finder object is normally configured by the `$BOSS_SAS_PATH` and `$BOSS_REDUX_VERSION` environment variables and no other modules uses these variables, except through a *Finder* object. These parameters can also be set by *Finder* constructor arguments. When neither the environment variables nor the constructor arguments are set, defaults appropriate for the most recent public data release (DR12) are used.

Finder objects never interact with any local or remote filesystems: use the `bosssdata.remote` module to download data files and access them locally. See [API Usage](#) for recommendations on using the `bosssdata.path` and `bosssdata.remote` modules together.

class `bosssdata.path.Finder` (`sas_path=None`, `redux_version=None`, `verbose=True`)

Bases: `object`

Initialize a path finder object.

When the constructor is called with no arguments, it will raise a `ValueError` if either `BOSS_SAS_PATH` or `BOSS_REDUX_VERSION` is not set.

Parameters

- **`sas_path`** (*str*) – Location of the SAS root path to use, e.g., `/sas/dr12`. Will use the value of the `BOSS_SAS_PATH` environment variable if this is not set.
- **`redux_version`** (*str*) – String tag specifying the BOSS spectro reduction version to use, e.g., `v5_7_0`. Will use the value of the `BOSS_REDUX_VERSION` environment variable if this is not set.

Raises `ValueError` – No SAS root or redux version specified on the command line or via environment variables.

default_quasar_catalog_name = 'DR12Q'

Default quasar catalog name.

For more info about the BOSS quasar catalog, see <http://www.sdss.org/dr12/algorithms/boss-dr12-quasar-catalog/>

default_redux_version = 'v5_7_0'

Default to use when \$BOSS_REDUX_VERSION is not set.

See [Executable scripts](#) and [API Usage](#) for details.

default_sas_path = '/sas/dr12/boss'

Default to use when \$BOSS_SAS_PATH is not set.

See [Executable scripts](#) and [API Usage](#) for details.

get_plate_path (*plate*, *filename=None*)

Get the path to the specified plate directory or file.

The returned path contains files that include all targets on the plate. Use the [get_spec_path\(\)](#) method for the path of a single spectrum file.

This method only performs minimal checks that the requested plate number is valid.

Parameters

- **plate** (*int*) – Plate number, which must be positive.
- **filename** (*str*) – Name of a file within the plate directory to append to the returned path.

Returns Full path to the specified plate directory or file within this directory.

Return type str

Raises `ValueError` – Invalid plate number must be > 0.

get_plate_plan_path (*plate*, *mjd*, *combined=True*)

Get the path to the specified plate plan file.

A combined plan may span several nearby MJDs, in which case the last MJD is the one used to identify the plan.

Parameters

- **plate** (*int*) – Plate number, which must be positive.
- **mjd** (*int*) – Modified Julian date of the observation, which must be > 45000.
- **combined** (*bool*) – Specifies the combined plan, which spans all MJDs associated with a coadd, but does not include calibration frames (arcs, flats) for a specific MJD.

Returns Full path to the requested plan file.

Return type str

Raises `ValueError` – Invalid plate or mjd inputs.

get_plate_spec_path (*plate*, *mjd*)

Get the path to the file containing combined spectra for a whole plate.

Combined spectra for all exposures of a plate are packaged in [spPlate files](#). As of DR12, these files are about 110Mb for 1000 spectra.

Parameters

- **plate** (*int*) – Plate number, which must be positive.
- **mjd** (*int*) – Modified Julian date of the observation, which must be > 45000.

Returns Full path to the requested plan file.

Return type str

Raises ValueError – Invalid plate or mjd inputs.

get_platelist_path()

Get the location of the platelist summary file.

The `platelist` contains one row per observation (PLATE-MJD), unlike most other sources of metadata which contain one row per target (PLATE-MJD-FIBER).

get_quasar_catalog_path(catalog_name=None)

Get the location of the quasar catalog file.

The `quasar catalog` is documented at <http://www.sdss.org/dr12/algorithms/boss-dr12-quasar-catalog/>. As of DR12, the file size is about 513Mb.

Parameters `catalog_name` (str) – BOSS quasar catalog name. Will use the `get_default_quasar_catalog_name()` method if this is not set.

get_sp_all_path(lite=True)

Get the location of the metadata summary file.

The `spAll` file provides extensive metadata for all survey targets as a FITS file. There is also a smaller “lite” version containing a subset of this metadata in compressed text format. As of DR12, the full file size is about 10Gb and the lite file is about 115Mb.

Parameters `lite` (bool) – Specifies the “lite” version which contains all rows but only the most commonly used subset of columns. The lite version is a compressed (.gz) text data file, while the full version is a FITS file.

get_spec_path(plate, mjd, fiber, lite=True)

Get the location of the spectrum file for the specified observation.

The DR12 data model for the returned files is at http://dr12.sdss3.org/datamodel/files/BOSS_SPECTRO_REDUX/RUN2D/sp but only HDUs 0-3 are included in the (default) lite format. Each lite (full) file is approximately 0.2Mb (1.7Mb) in size.

Use the `get_plate_path()` method for the path to files that include all targets on a plate.

This method only performs minimal checks that the requested plate-mjd-fiber are valid.

Parameters

- **plate** (int) – Plate number, which must be positive.
- **mjd** (int) – Modified Julian date of the observation, which must be > 45000.
- **fiber** (int) – Fiber number of the target on this plate, which must be in the range 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510).
- **lite** (bool) – Specifies the “lite” version which contains only HDUs 0-3, so no per-exposure data is included.

Returns Full path to the spectrum file for the specified observation.

Return type str

Raises ValueError – Invalid plate, mjd or fiber inputs.

9.1.2 bosssdata.remote module

Download BOSS data files from a remote server.

The remote module is responsible for downloading data files into a local filesystem using a directory layout that mirrors the remote data source. Most scripts will create a single *Manager* object using the default constructor for this purpose:

```
import bosssdata.remote
mirror = bosssdata.remote.Manager()
```

This mirror object is normally configured by the `$BOSS_DATA_URL` and `$BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT` environment variables and no other modules uses these variables, except through a *Manager* object. These parameters can also be set by *Manager* constructor arguments. When neither the environment variables nor the constructor arguments are set, a default data URL appropriate for the most recent public data release (DR12) is used, and a temporary directory is created and used for the local root.

Manager objects have no knowledge of how data files are organized or named: use the `bosssdata.path` module to build the paths of frequently used data files. See [API Usage](#) for recommendations on using the `bosssdata.path` and `bosssdata.remote` modules together.

class `bosssdata.remote.Manager` (*data_url=None, local_root=None, verbose=True*)

Bases: `object`

Manage downloads of BOSS data via HTTP.

The default mapping from remote to local filenames is to mirror the remote file hierarchy on the local disk. The normal mode of operation is to establish the local root for the mirror using the `BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT` environment variable. When the constructor is called with no arguments, it will raise a `ValueError` if either `BOSS_DATA_URL` or `BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT` is not set.

Parameters

- **data_url** (*str*) – Base URL of all BOSS data files. A trailing `/` on the URL is optional. If this arg is `None`, then the value of the `BOSS_DATA_URL` environment variable will be used instead.
- **local_root** (*str*) – Local path to use as the root of the locally mirrored file hierarchy. If this arg is `None`, then the value of the `BOSS_LOCAL_ROOT` environment variable, if any, will be used instead. If a value is provided, it should identify an existing writeable directory.

Raises `ValueError` – No such directory `local_root` or missing `data_url`.

default_data_url = `'http://dr12.sdss3.org'`

Default to use when `$BOSS_DATA_URL` is not set.

See [Executable scripts](#) and [API Usage](#) for details.

download (*remote_path, local_path, chunk_size=4096, progress_min_size=10*)

Download a single BOSS data file.

Downloads are streamed so that the memory requirements are independent of the file size. During the download, the file is written to its final location but with `'.downloading'` appended to the file name. This means that any download that is interrupted or fails will normally not lead to an incomplete file being returned by a subsequent call to `get()`. Instead, the file will be re-downloaded. There is no facility for resuming a previous partial download. After a successful download, the file is renamed to its final location and has its permission bits set to read only (to prevent accidental modifications of files that are supposed to exactly mirror the remote file system).

Parameters

- **remote_path** (*str*) – The full path to the remote file relative to the remote server root, which should normally be obtained using `bosssdata.path` methods.
- **local_path** (*str*) – The (absolute or relative) path of the local file to write.
- **chunk_size** (*int*) – Size of data chunks to use for the streaming download. Larger sizes will potentially download faster but also require more memory.
- **progress_min_size** (*int*) – Display a text progress bar for any downloads whose size in Mb exceeds this value. No progress bar will ever be shown if this value is `None`.

Returns Absolute local path of the downloaded file.

Return type `str`

Raises

- `ValueError` – `local_path` directory does not exist.
- `RuntimeError` – HTTP request returned an error status.

get (*remote_path*, *progress_min_size=10*, *auto_download=True*, *local_paths=None*)

Get a local file that mirrors a remote file, downloading the file if necessary.

Parameters

- **remote_path** (*str;iterable*) – This arg will normally be a single string but can optionally be an iterable over strings for some advanced functionality. Strings give the full path to a remote file and should normally be obtained using `bosssdata.path` methods. When passing an iterable, the first item specifies the desired file and subsequent items specify acceptable substitutes. If the desired file is not already available locally but at least one substitute file is locally available, this method immediately returns the first substitute without downloading the desired file. If no substitute is available, the desired file is downloaded and returned.
- **progress_min_size** (*int*) – Display a text progress bar for any downloads whose size in Mb exceeds this value. No progress bar will ever be shown if this value is `None`.
- **auto_download** (*bool*) – Automatically download the file to the local mirror if necessary. If this is not set and the file is not already mirrored, then a `RuntimeError` occurs.
- **local_paths** (*list*) – When this arg is not `None`, the local paths corresponding to each input remote path are stored to this arg, resulting in a list of the same size as the input `remote_path` (or length 1 if `remote_path` is a single string). This enables the following pattern for detecting when a substitution has occurred:

```
mirror = bosssdata.remote.Manager()
remote_paths = [the_preferred_path, a_backup_path]
local_paths = []
local_path = mirror.get(remote_paths, local_paths=local_paths)
if local_path != local_paths[0]:
    print('substituted {} for {}'.format(local_path, local_paths[0]))
```

Returns Absolute local path of the local file that mirrors the remote file.

Return type `str`

Raises `RuntimeError` – File is not already mirrored and `auto_download` is `False`.

local_path (*remote_path*)

Get the local path corresponding to a remote path.

Does not check that the file or its parent directory exists. Use `get()` to ensure that the file exists, downloading it if necessary.

Parameters `remote_path` (*str*) – The full path to the remote file relative to the remote server root, which should normally be obtained using `bossdata.path` methods.

Returns Absolute local path of the local file that mirrors the remote file.

Return type `str`

Raises `RuntimeError` – No `local_root` specified when this manager was created.

9.1.3 bossdata.meta module

Support for querying the metadata associated with BOSS observations.

class `bossdata.meta.Database` (*finder=None, mirror=None, lite=True, quasar_catalog=False, quasar_catalog_name=None, platelist=False, verbose=False*)

Bases: `object`

Initialize a searchable database of BOSS observation metadata.

Parameters

- **finder** (`bossdata.path.Finder`) – Object used to find the names of BOSS data files. If not specified, the default `Finder` constructor is used.
- **mirror** (`bossdata.remote.Manager`) – Object used to interact with the local mirror of BOSS data. If not specified, the default `Manager` constructor is used.
- **lite** (*bool*) – Use the “lite” metadata format, which is considerably faster but only provides a subset of the most commonly accessed fields. Ignored if either `quasar_catalog` or `platelist` is `True`.
- **quasar_catalog** (*bool*) – Initialize database using the BOSS quasar catalog instead of `spAll`.
- **quasar_catalog_name** (*str*) – The name of the BOSS quasar catalog to use, or use the *default* if this is `None`.
- **platelist** (*bool*) – Initialize the database use the `platelist` catalog instead of `spAll`.

prepare_columns (*column_names*)

Validate column names and lookup their types.

Parameters `column_names` (*str*) – Comma-separated list of column names or the special value `*` to indicate all available columns.

Returns Tuple (names,dtypes) of lists of column names and corresponding numpy data types. Use `zip()` to convert the return value into a recarray dtype.

Return type `tuple`

Raises `ValueError` – Invalid column name.

select_all (*what='*', where=None, sort=None, max_rows=100000*)

Fetch all results of an SQL select query.

Since this method loads all the results into memory, it is not suitable for queries that are expected to return a large number of rows. Instead, use `select_each()` for large queries.

Parameters

- **what** (*str*) – Comma separated list of column names to return or `*` to return all columns.

- **where** (*str*) – SQL selection clause or None for no filtering. Reserved column names such as PRIMARY must be escaped with backticks in this clause.
- **max_rows** (*int*) – Maximum number of rows that will be returned.

Returns *astropy.table.Table*: Table of results with column names matching those in the database, and column types inferred automatically. Returns None if no rows are selected.

Return type :class

Raises `RuntimeError` – failed to execute query.

select_each (*what='*', where=None*)

Iterate over the results of an SQL select query.

This method is normally used as an iterator, e.g.

for row in select(...): # each row is a tuple of values ...

Since this method does not load all the results of a large query into memory, it is suitable for queries that are expected to return a large number of rows. For smaller queries, the `select_all()` method might be more convenient.

Parameters

- **what** (*str*) – Comma separated list of column names to return or '*' to return all columns.
- **where** (*str*) – SQL selection clause or None for no filtering. Reserved column names such as PRIMARY must be escaped with backticks in this clause.

Raises `sqlite3.OperationalError` – failed to execute query.

`bosssdata.meta.create_meta_full` (*catalog_path, db_path, verbose=True, primary_key='(PLATE, MJD, FIBER)'*)

Create the “full” meta database from a locally mirrored catalog file.

The created database renames FIBERID to FIBER and has a composite primary index on the (PLATE,MJD,FIBER) columns. Sub-array columns are also unrolled: see `sql_create_table()` for details. The conversion takes about 24 minutes on a laptop with sufficient memory (~4 Gb). During the conversion, the file being written has the extension *.building* appended, then this extension is removed (and the file is made read only) once the conversion successfully completes. This means that if the conversion is interrupted for any reason, it will be restarted the next time this function is called and you are unlikely to end up with an invalid database file.

Parameters

- **catalog_path** (*str*) – Absolute local path of the “full” catalog file, which is expected to be a FITS file.
- **db_path** (*str*) – Local path where the corresponding sqlite3 database will be written.

`bosssdata.meta.create_meta_lite` (*sp_all_path, db_path, verbose=True*)

Create the “lite” meta database from a locally mirrored spAll file.

The created database has a composite primary index on the (PLATE,MJD,FIBER) columns and the input columns MODELFLUX0.4 are renamed MODELFLUX_0.4 to be consistent with their names in the full database after sub-array un-rolling.

The DR12 spAll lite file is ~115Mb and converts to a ~470Mb SQL database file. The conversion takes about 3 minutes on a laptop with sufficient memory (~4 Gb). During the conversion, the file being written has the extension *.building* appended, then this extension is removed (and the file is made read only) once the conversion successfully completes. This means that if the conversion is interrupted for any reason, it will be restarted the next time this function is called and you are unlikely to end up with an invalid database file.

Parameters

- **sp_all_path** (*str*) – Absolute local path of the “lite” spAll file, which is expected to be a gzipped ASCII data file.
- **db_path** (*str*) – Local path where the corresponding sqlite3 database will be written.

`bosssdata.meta.get_plate_mjd_list(plate, finder=None, mirror=None)`

Return the list of MJD values when a plate was observed.

Uses a query of the [platelist](#), so this file will be automatically downloaded if necessary. Only MJD values for which the observation data quality is marked “good” will be returned.

Parameters

- **plate** (*int*) – Plate number.
- **finder** (`bosssdata.path.Finder`) – Object used to find the names of BOSS data files. If not specified, the default Finder constructor is used.
- **mirror** (`bosssdata.remote.Manager`) – Object used to interact with the local mirror of BOSS data. If not specified, the default Manager constructor is used.

Returns A list of MJD values when this plate was observed. The list will be empty if this plate has never been observed.

Return type list

`bosssdata.meta.sql_create_table(table_name, recarray_dtype, renaming_rules={}, primary_key=None)`

Prepare an SQL statement to create a database for a numpy structured array.

Any columns in the structured array data type that are themselves arrays will be unrolled to a list of scalar columns with names *COLNAME_I* for element [i] of a 1D array and *COLNAME_I_J* for element [i,j] of a 2D array, etc, with indices I,J,... starting from zero.

Parameters

- **table_name** (*str*) – Name to give the new table.
- **recarray_dtype** – Numpy structured array data type that defines the columns to create.
- **renaming_rules** (*dict*) – Dictionary of rules for renaming columns. There are no explicit checks that these rules do not create duplicate column names or that all rules are applied.
- **primary_key** (*str*) – Column name(s) to use as the primary key, after apply renaming rules. No index is created if this argument is None.

Returns Tuple (sql,num_cols) where sql is an executable SQL statement to create the database and num_cols is the number of columns created.

Return type tuple

Raises `ValueError` – Cannot map data type to SQL.

9.1.4 bosssdata.spec module

Access spectroscopic data for a single BOSS target.

class `bosssdata.spec.Exposures` (*header*)

Bases: `object`

Table of exposure info extracted from FITS header keywords.

Parse the NEXP and EXPIDnn keywords that are present in the header of HDU0 in [spPlate](#) and [spec](#) FITS files.

The constructor initializes the `table` attribute with column names `offset`, `camera`, `science`, `flat` and `arc`, and creates one row for each keyword `EXPIDnn`, where `offset` equals the keyword sequence number `nn`, `camera` is one of `b1`, `b2`, `r1`, `r2`, and the remaining columns record the science and calibration exposure numbers.

Use `get_info()` to retrieve the `n`-th exposure for a particular camera (`b1`, `b2`, `r1`, `r2`). Note that when this class is initialized from a `spec` file header, it will only describe the two cameras of a single spectrograph (`b1+r1` or `b2+r2`). The `num_by_camera` attribute is a dictionary of ints indexed by camera that records the number of science exposures available for that camera.

Parameters `header` (*dict*) – dictionary of FITS header keyword, value pairs.

Returns:

get_info (*exposure_index*, *camera*)

Get information about a single camera exposure.

Parameters

- **exposure_index** (*int*) – The sequence number for the requested camera exposure, in the range 0 - (`num_exposures[camera]-1`).
- **camera** (*str*) – One of `b1`, `b2`, `r1`, `r2`.

Returns A structured array with information about the requested exposure, corresponding to one row of our `table` attribute.

Raises

- `ValueError` – Invalid `exposure_index` or `camera`.
- `RuntimeError` – Exposure not present.

class `bosssdata.spec.SpecFile` (*path*)

Bases: `object`

A BOSS spec file containing summary data for a single target.

A `spec` file contains co-added spectra for a single target of an observation. This class supports the full version described in the data model as well as a `lite` version that does not contain the per-exposure HDUs with indices ≥ 4 . Use the `lite` attribute to detect which version an object represents.

To read all co-added spectra of an observation use `bosssdata.plate.PlateFile`. Individual exposures of a half-plate can be read using `bosssdata.plate.FrameFile`.

The `plate`, `mjd` and `fiber` attributes specify the target observation. The `info` attribute contains this target's row from `spAll` as a structured numpy array, so its metadata can be accessed as `info['OBJTYPE']`, etc.

Use `get_valid_data()` to access this target's spectra, or the `exposures` attribute for a list of exposures used in the coadd (see `bosssdata.plate.Plan` for alternative information about the exposures used in a coadd.) The `num_exposures` attribute gives the number of science exposures used for this target's co-added spectrum (counting a blue+red pair as one exposure). Use `get_exposure_name()` to locate files associated the individual exposures used for this co-added spectrum.

This class is only intended for reading the BOSS spec file format, so generic operations on spectroscopic data (redshifting, resampling, etc) are intentionally not included here, but are instead provided in the `speclite` package.

Parameters `path` (*str*) – Local path of the spec FITS file to use. This should normally be obtained via `bosssdata.path.Finder.get_spec_path()` and can be automatically mirrored via `bosssdata.remote.Manager.get()` or using the `bossfetch` script. The file is opened in read-only mode so you do not need write privileges.

get_exposure_hdu (*exposure_index*, *camera*)

Lookup the HDU for one exposure.

This method will not work on “lite” files, which do not include individual exposures.

Parameters

- **exposure_index** (*int*) – Individual exposure to use, specified as a sequence number starting from zero, for the first exposure, and increasing up to *self.num_exposures-1*.
- **camera** (*str*) – Which camera to use. Must be one of b1,b2,r1,r2.

Returns The HDU containing data for the requested exposure.

Return type hdu

Raises `RuntimeError` – individual exposures not available in lite file.

get_exposure_name (*sequence_number*, *band*, *fctype*=*'spCFrame'*)

Get the file name of a single science exposure data product.

Use the exposure name to locate FITS data files associated with individual exposures. The supported file types are: `spCFrame`, `spFrame`, `spFluxcalib` and `spFluxcorr`. This method is analogous to `bosssdata.plate.Plan.get_exposure_name()`, but operates for a single target and only knows about exposures actually used in the final co-add.

Parameters

- **sequence_number** (*int*) – Science exposure sequence number, counting from zero. Must be less than our `num_exposures` attribute.
- **band** (*str*) – Must be ‘blue’ or ‘red’.
- **fctype** (*str*) – Type of exposure file whose name to return. Must be one of `spCFrame`, `spFrame`, `spFluxcalib`, `spFluxcorr`. An `spCFrame` is assumed to be uncompressed, and all other files are assumed to be compressed.

Returns Exposure name of the form `[fctype]-[cc]-[eeeeeeee].[ext]` where `[cc]` identifies the spectrograph (one of b1,r1,b2,r2) and `[eeeeeeee]` is the zero-padded exposure number. The extension `[ext]` is “fits” for `spCFrame` files and “fits.gz” for all other file types.

Return type str

Raises `ValueError` – one of the inputs is invalid.

get_pixel_mask (*exposure_index*=*None*, *camera*=*None*)

Get the pixel mask for a specified exposure or the combined coadd.

Returns the *and_mask* for coadded spectra. The entire mask is returned, including any pixels with zero inverse variance.

Parameters

- **exposure_index** (*int*) – Individual exposure to use, specified as a sequence number starting from zero, for the first exposure, and increasing up to *self.num_exposures-1*. Uses the co-added spectrum when the value is *None*.
- **camera** (*str*) – Which camera to use. Must be either ‘b1’, ‘b2’ (blue) or ‘r1’, ‘r2’ (red) unless *exposure_index* is *None*, in which case this argument is ignored.

Returns Array of integers, one per pixel, encoding the mask bits defined in `bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK` (see also http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmask_sppixmask.php).

Return type `numpy.ndarray`

```
get_valid_data(exposure_index=None, camera=None, pixel_quality_mask=None, include_wdisp=False, include_sky=False, use_ivar=False, use_loglam=False, fiducial_grid=False)
```

Get the valid data for a specified exposure or the combined coadd.

You will probably find yourself using this idiom often:

```
data = spec.get_valid_data(...)
wlen, flux, dflux = data['wavelength'][:,], data['flux'][:,], data['dflux'][:,]
```

Parameters

- **exposure_index** (*int*) – Individual exposure to use, specified as a sequence number starting from zero, for the first exposure, and increasing up to *self.num_exposures-1*. Uses the co-added spectrum when the value is None.
- **camera** (*str*) – Which camera to use. Must be either ‘b1’, ‘b2’ (blue) or ‘r1’, ‘r2’ (red) unless exposure_index is None, in which case this argument is ignored.
- **pixel_quality_mask** (*int*) – An integer value interpreted as a bit pattern using the bits defined in `bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK` (see also http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmask_sppixmask.php). Any bits set in this mask are considered harmless and the corresponding spectrum pixels are assumed to contain valid data. When accessing the coadded spectrum, this mask is applied to the AND of the masks for each individual exposure. No mask is applied if this value is None.
- **include_wdisp** – Include a wavelength dispersion column in the returned data.
- **include_sky** – Include a sky flux column in the returned data.
- **use_ivar** – Replace dflux with ivar (inverse variance) in the returned data.
- **use_loglam** – Replace wavelength with loglam ($\log_{10}(\text{wavelength})$) in the returned data.
- **fiducial_grid** – Return co-added data using the *fiducial wavelength grid*. If False, the returned array uses the native grid of the SpecFile, which generally trims pixels on both ends that have zero inverse variance. Set this value True to ensure that all co-added spectra use aligned wavelength grids when this matters.

Returns Masked array of per-pixel records. Pixels with no valid data are included but masked. The record for each pixel has at least the following named fields: wavelength in Angstroms (or loglam), flux and dflux in $1e-17$ ergs/s/cm²/Angstrom (or flux and ivar). Wavelength values are strictly increasing and dflux is calculated as $\text{ivar}^{*-0.5}$ for pixels with valid data. Optional fields are wdisp in constant-log₁₀-lambda pixels and sky in $1e-17$ ergs/s/cm²/Angstrom. The wavelength (or loglam) field is never masked and all other fields are masked when ivar is zero or a pipeline flag is set (and not allowed by pixel_quality_mask).

Return type numpy.ma.MaskedArray

Raises

- **ValueError** – fiducial grid is not supported for individual exposures.
- **RuntimeError** – co-added wavelength grid is not aligned with the fiducial grid.

`bosssdata.spec.fiducial_loglam`

Array of fiducial $\log_{10}(\text{wavelength in Angstroms})$ covering all spectra.

Lookup the $\log_{10}(\text{wavelength})$ or wavelength corresponding to a particular integral pixel index using:


```
>>> fiducial_loglam[100]
3.554100305027835
>>> 10**fiducial_loglam[100]
3581.7915291606305
```

The bounding wavelengths of this range are:

```
>>> 10**fiducial_loglam[[0,-1]]
array([ 3500.26      , 10568.18251472])
```

The `SpecFile.get_valid_data()` and `PlateFile.get_valid_data()` methods provide a `fiducial_grid` option that returns data using this grid.

`bosssdata.spec.fiducial_pixel_index_range = (0, 4800)`

Range of fiducial pixel indices that covers all spectra.

Use `get_fiducial_pixel_index()` to calculate fiducial pixel indices.

`bosssdata.spec.get_fiducial_pixel_index(wavelength)`

Convert a wavelength to a fiducial pixel index.

The fiducial wavelength grid used by all SDSS co-added spectra is logarithmically spaced:

```
wavelength = wavelength0 * 10**(coef * index)
```

The value `coef = 1e-4` is encoded in the FITS HDU headers of SDSS coadded data files with the keyword `CD1_1` (and sometimes also `COEFF1`). The value of `wavelength0` defines `index = 0` and is similarly encoded as `CRVAL1` (and sometimes also `COEFF0`). However, its value is not constant between different SDSS co-added spectra because varying amounts of invalid data are trimmed. This function adopts the constant value 3500.26 Angstrom corresponding to `index = 0`:

```
>>> get_fiducial_pixel_index(3500.26)
0.0
```

Note that the return value is a float so that wavelengths not on the fiducial grid can be converted and detected:

```
>>> get_fiducial_pixel_index(3500.5)
0.29776960129179741
```

The calculation is automatically broadcast over an input wavelength array:

```
>>> wlen = np.arange(4000, 4400, 100)
>>> get_fiducial_pixel_index(wlen)
array([ 579.596863 ,  686.83551692,  791.4898537 ,  893.68150552])
```

Use `fiducial_pixel_index_range` for an index range that covers all SDSS spectra and `fiducial_loglam` to convert integer indices to wavelengths.

Parameters `wavelength` (*float*) – Input wavelength in Angstroms.

Returns Array of floating-point indices relative to the fiducial wavelength grid.

Return type `numpy.ndarray`

9.1.5 bosssdata.bits module

Define bit masks used in BOSS data and support symbolic operations on masks.

The SDSS bitmasks are documented at <http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmasks.php>. The authoritative definition of the bit masks is the file <http://www.sdss3.org/svn/repo/idlutils/trunk/data/sdss/sdssMaskbits.par>. A copy of this

file is included in this package's top-level directory and was used to automatically generate the bitmask definitions in this file with the `extract_sdss_bitmasks()` function.

class `bosssdata.bits.ANCILLARY_TARGET1`

Bases: `object`

BOSS survey target flags for ancillary programs

RQSS_STMC

int

(1<<35) defined in `rqss090630.descr`

BLAZGXQSO

int

(1<<53) defined in `anderson-blazar.par`

BLAZR

int

(1<<7) defined in `brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr`

SPOKE

int

(1<<41) defined in `BOSS_slowpokes_v2.descr`

VARs

int

(1<<5) defined in `blake_boss_v2.descr`

QSO_RADIO_AAL

int

(1<<26) defined in `qsoals_v2.descr`

FAINTERM

int

(1<<47) defined in `sd3targets_final.descr`

RQSS_SFC

int

(1<<33) defined in `rqss090630.descr`

CHANDRAV1

int

(1<<57) defined in `haggard-sf-accrete.fits`

BRIGHTGAL

int

(1<<21) defined in `bright_gal_v3.descr`

CXOBRIGHT

int

(1<<58) defined in `brandt-xray.par`

QSO_HIZ

int

(1<<30) defined in `sdss3_fan.descr`

RVTEST

int

(1<<49) defined in redkg.descr

GAL_NEAR_QSO

int

(1<<62) defined in weiner-qso-sightline.fits

MTEMP

int

(1<<63) defined in blake-transient-v3.fits

BLAZGXR

int

(1<<54) defined in anderson-blazar.par

SPEC_SN

int

(1<<40) defined in ancillary_supernova_hosts_v5.descr

CXOGRIZ

int

(1<<59) defined in brandt-xray.par

QSO_AAL

int

(1<<22) defined in qsoals_v2.descr

AMC

int

(1<<0) defined in blake_boss_v2.descr

BLAZXRSAM

int

(1<<9) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

QSO_RIZ

int

(1<<31) defined in sdss3_fan.descr

FBQSBAL

int

(1<<15) defined in master-BAL-targets.descr

BLAZXR

int

(1<<8) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

RQSS_SF

int

(1<<32) defined in rqss090630.descr

BLUE_RADIO*int*

(1<<56) defined in tremonti-blue-radio.fits.gz

RED_KG*int*

(1<<48) defined in redkg.descr

BLAZGVAR*int*

(1<<6) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

QSO_AALS*int*

(1<<23) defined in qsoals_v2.descr

PREVBAL*int*

(1<<19) defined in master-BAL-targets.descr

LBQSBAL*int*

(1<<16) defined in master-BAL-targets.descr

QSO_RADIO*int*

(1<<25) defined in qsoals_v2.descr

QSO_NOAALS*int*

(1<<28) defined in qsoals_v2.descr

XMMBRIGHT*int*

(1<<11) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

ELG*int*

(1<<61) defined in kneib-cfht-elg.fits

QSO_GRI*int*

(1<<29) defined in sdss3_fan.descr

FLARE2*int*

(1<<2) defined in blake_boss_v2.descr

SN_GAL3*int*

(1<<38) defined in ancillary_supernova_hosts_v5.descr

FLARE1

int

(1<<1) defined in blake_boss_v2.descr

QSO_RADIO_IAL

int

(1<<27) defined in qsoals_v2.descr

HPM

int

(1<<3) defined in blake_boss_v2.descr

SN_GAL2

int

(1<<37) defined in ancillary_supernova_hosts_v5.descr

FAINTERL

int

(1<<46) defined in sd3targets_final.descr

BLAZGRFLAT

int

(1<<50) defined in anderson-blazar.par

SN_GAL1

int

(1<<36) defined in ancillary_supernova_hosts_v5.descr

VARBAL

int

(1<<20) defined in master-BAL-targets.descr

RQSS_STM

int

(1<<34) defined in rqss090630.descr

OTBAL

int

(1<<18) defined in master-BAL-targets.descr

BLAZGX

int

(1<<52) defined in anderson-blazar.par

XMMRED

int

(1<<14) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

BLAZGRQSO

int

(1<<51) defined in anderson-blazar.par

CXORED*int*

(1<<60) defined in brandt-xray.par

BRIGHTERL*int*

(1<<44) defined in sd3targets_final.descr

BRIGHTERM*int*

(1<<45) defined in sd3targets_final.descr

LOW_MET*int*

(1<<4) defined in blake_boss_v2.descr

XMMGRIZ*int*

(1<<12) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

SN_LOC*int*

(1<<39) defined in ancillary_supernova_hosts_v5.descr

WHITEDWARF_NEW*int*

(1<<42) defined in WDv5_eisenste_fixed.descr

QSO_IAL*int*

(1<<24) defined in qsoals_v2.descr

WHITEDWARF_SDSS*int*

(1<<43) defined in WDv5_eisenste_fixed.descr

XMMHR*int*

(1<<13) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

ODDBAL*int*

(1<<17) defined in master-BAL-targets.descr

BLAZXRVAR*int*

(1<<10) defined in brandtxmm-andersonblazar-merged.descr

AMC = 1**BLAZGRFLAT = 1125899906842624****BLAZGRQSO = 2251799813685248****BLAZGVAR = 64**

BLAZGX = 4503599627370496
BLAZGXQSO = 9007199254740992
BLAZGXR = 18014398509481984
BLAZR = 128
BLAZXR = 256
BLAZXRSAM = 512
BLAZXRVAR = 1024
BLUE_RADIO = 72057594037927936
BRIGHTERL = 17592186044416
BRIGHTERM = 35184372088832
BRIGHTGAL = 2097152
CHANDRAV1 = 144115188075855872
CXOBRIGHT = 288230376151711744
CXOGRIZ = 576460752303423488
CXORED = 1152921504606846976
ELG = 2305843009213693952
FAINTERL = 70368744177664
FAINTERM = 140737488355328
FBQSBAL = 32768
FLARE1 = 2
FLARE2 = 4
GAL_NEAR_QSO = 4611686018427387904
HPM = 8
LBQSBAL = 65536
LOW_MET = 16
MTEMP = 9223372036854775808L
ODDBAL = 131072
OTBAL = 262144
PREVBAL = 524288
QSO_AAL = 4194304
QSO_AALS = 8388608
QSO_GRI = 536870912
QSO_HIZ = 1073741824
QSO_IAL = 16777216
QSO_NOAALS = 268435456
QSO_RADIO = 33554432

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QSO_RADIO_AAL = 67108864
QSO_RADIO_IAL = 134217728
QSO_RIZ = 2147483648
RED_KG = 281474976710656
RQSS_SF = 4294967296
RQSS_SFC = 8589934592
RQSS_STM = 17179869184
RQSS_STMC = 34359738368
RVTEST = 562949953421312
SN_GAL1 = 68719476736
SN_GAL2 = 137438953472
SN_GAL3 = 274877906944
SN_LOC = 549755813888
SPEC_SN = 1099511627776
SPOKE = 2199023255552
VARBAL = 1048576
VARS = 32
WHITEDWARF_NEW = 4398046511104
WHITEDWARF_SDSS = 8796093022208
XMMBRIGHT = 2048
XMMGRIZ = 4096
XMMHR = 8192
XMMRED = 16384
```

```
class bosssdata.bits.ANCILLARY_TARGET2
```

```
    Bases: object
```

```
    additional BOSS survey target flags for ancillary programs
```

```
    QSO_WISE_FULL_SKY
```

```
        int
```

```
        (1<<10) defined in none
```

```
    KQSO_BOSS
```

```
        int
```

```
        (1<<2) defined in mcMahon-ukidss.fits
```

```
    TAU_STAR
```

```
        int
```

```
        (1<<52) defined in knapp_taurus.descr
```

```
    _2MASSFILL
```

```
        int
```

```
        (1<<51) defined in rocksi_ges_segue.descr
```

LRG_ROUND3

int

(1<<22) defined in newman.descr

QSO_WISE_SUPP

int

(1<<9) defined in BOSS_QSO_targets_July_WISE.descr

DISKEMITTER_REPEAT

int

(1<<13) defined in shen.descr

SEQUELS_ELG

int

(1<<34) defined in sequels_elg.descr

ELAIS_N1_GMRT_GARN

int

(1<<60) LOFAR-selected target

QSO_VAR_SDSS

int

(1<<8) defined in VARQSO.descr

SDSSFILLER

int

(1<<38) defined in rockosi_ges_segue.descr

QSO_EBOSS_W3_ADM

int

(1<<31) defined in myers_eboss_qso_w3.descr

HIZ_LRG

int

(1<<21) defined in newman.descr

RADIO_2LOBE_QSO

int

(1<<5) defined in kimball-radio-2lobe-qso.fits.gz

COROTGES

int

(1<<49) defined in rocksi_ges_segue.descr

COROTGESAPOG

int

(1<<48) defined in rocksi_ges_segue.descr

HIZQSO82

int

(1<<0) defined in mcgreer-hizqso.fits

STRIPE82BCG*int*

(1<<6) defined in alexie-bcgs.fits

KOE2068_STAR*int*

(1<<44) defined in knapp_ngc2068.descr

QSO_VAR_LF*int*

(1<<27) defined in palanque_str82.descr

SPIDERS_PILOT*int*

(1<<25) defined in GreenMerloni_MD01.descr

ELAIS_N1_LOFAR*int*

(1<<58) LOFAR-selected target

HIZQSOIR*int*

(1<<1) defined in mcgreer-hizqso.fits

ELAIS_N1_JVLA*int*

(1<<62) LOFAR-selected target

QSO_DEEP*int*

(1<<56) DEEP QSO described in QSO_DEEP_LBG.descr

XMM_PRIME*int*

(1<<32) defined in georgekaksi_xmmxll.descr

TDSS_SPIDERS_PILOT*int*

(1<<26) defined in GreenMerloni_MD01.descr

XMSDSS*int*

(1<<11) defined in georgakakis.descr

KOE2068BSTAR*int*

(1<<46) defined in knapp_ngc2068.descr

SPOKE2*int*

(1<<17) defined in dhital.descr

LBG

int

(1<<57) LBG described in QSO_DEEP_LBG.descr

RM_TILE1

int

(1<<54) reverberation mapping, high priority

CLUSTER_MEMBER

int

(1<<16) defined in finoguenov_auxBOSS.descr

GES

int

(1<<35) defined in rockosi_ges_segue.descr

ELAIS_N1_FIRST

int

(1<<59) LOFAR-selected target

FAINT_ELG

int

(1<<18) defined in comparat.descr

SEQUELS_ELG_LOWP

int

(1<<39) defined in sequels_elg.descr

WISE_BOSS_QSO

int

(1<<14) defined in ross_wisebossqso.descr

PTF_GAL

int

(1<<19) defined in kasliwal.descr

_25ORI_WISE_W3

int

(1<<41) defined in knapp_25ori.descr

SEGUE1

int

(1<<36) defined in rockosi_ges_segue.descr

SEGUE2

int

(1<<37) defined in rockosi_ges_segue.descr

_25ORI_WISE

int

(1<<40) defined in knapp_25ori.descr

KOE2023_STAR*int*

(1<<43) defined in knapp_ngc2023.descr

KOEKAP_STAR*int*

(1<<42) defined in knapp_kappaori.descr

TDSS_PILOT_SNHOST*int*

(1<<29) defined in TDSS_SPIDERS_MD03.descr

IAMASERS*int*

(1<<12) defined in zaw.descr

XMM_SECOND*int*

(1<<33) defined in georgekaksi_xmmxll.descr

KOEKAPBSTAR*int*

(1<<47) defined in knapp_kappaori.descr

KOE2023BSTAR*int*

(1<<45) defined in knapp_ngc2023.descr

ELAIS_N1_GMRT_TAYLOR*int*

(1<<61) LOFAR-selected target

QSO_XD_KDE_PAIR*int*

(1<<15) defined in myers.descr

QSO_SUPPZ*int*

(1<<7) defined in qso_suppz.descr

QSO_VAR_FPG*int*

(1<<4) defined in nathalie-ancillary3.par

RM_TILE2*int*

(1<<55) reverberation mapping, low priority

QSO_STD*int*

(1<<20) defined in margala.descr

WISE_COMPLETE*int*

(1<<23) defined in weiner_wise.descr

QSO_VAR*int*

(1<<3) defined in butler-variable.fits.gz

TDSS_PILOT*int*

(1<<24) defined in GreenMerloni_MD01.descr

TDSS_PILOT_PM*int*

(1<<28) defined in TDSS_SPIDERS_MD03.descr

SEQUELS_TARGET*int*

(1<<53) any target in SEQUELS darktime program

FAINT_HIZ_LRG*int*

(1<<30) defined in newman_lrg_w3.descr

APOGEE*int*

(1<<50) defined in rocksi_ges_segue.descr

APOGEE = 1125899906842624**CLUSTER_MEMBER = 65536****COROTGES = 562949953421312****COROTGESAPOG = 281474976710656****DISKEMITTER_REPEAT = 8192****ELAIS_N1_FIRST = 576460752303423488****ELAIS_N1_GMRT_GARN = 1152921504606846976****ELAIS_N1_GMRT_TAYLOR = 2305843009213693952****ELAIS_N1_JVLA = 4611686018427387904****ELAIS_N1_LOFAR = 288230376151711744****FAINT_ELG = 262144****FAINT_HIZ_LRG = 1073741824****GES = 34359738368****HIZQSO82 = 1****HIZQSOIR = 2****HIZ_LRG = 2097152****IAMASERS = 4096**

KOE2023BSTAR = 35184372088832
KOE2023_STAR = 8796093022208
KOE2068BSTAR = 70368744177664
KOE2068_STAR = 17592186044416
KOEKAPBSTAR = 140737488355328
KOEKAP_STAR = 4398046511104
KQSO_BOSS = 4
LBG = 144115188075855872
LRG_ROUND3 = 4194304
PTF_GAL = 524288
QSO_DEEP = 72057594037927936
QSO_EBOSS_W3_ADM = 2147483648
QSO_STD = 1048576
QSO_SUPPZ = 128
QSO_VAR = 8
QSO_VAR_FPG = 16
QSO_VAR_LF = 134217728
QSO_VAR_SDSS = 256
QSO_WISE_FULL_SKY = 1024
QSO_WISE_SUPP = 512
QSO_XD_KDE_PAIR = 32768
RADIO_2LOBE_QSO = 32
RM_TILE1 = 18014398509481984
RM_TILE2 = 36028797018963968
SDSSFILLER = 274877906944
SEGUE1 = 68719476736
SEGUE2 = 137438953472
SEQUELS_ELG = 17179869184
SEQUELS_ELG_LOWP = 549755813888
SEQUELS_TARGET = 9007199254740992
SPIDERS_PILOT = 33554432
SPOKE2 = 131072
STRIPE82BCG = 64
TAU_STAR = 4503599627370496
TDSS_PILOT = 16777216
TDSS_PILOT_PM = 268435456

TDSS_PILOT_SNHOST = 536870912

TDSS_SPIDERS_PILOT = 67108864

WISE_BOSS_QSO = 16384

WISE_COMPLETE = 8388608

XMMSDSS = 2048

XMM_PRIME = 4294967296

XMM_SECOND = 8589934592

class `bosssdata.bits.APOGEE2_TARGET1`

Bases: `object`

APOGEE2 primary target bits

APOGEE2_FAINT_EXTRA

int

(1<<29) Faint star (fainter than cohort limit; not required to reach survey S/N requirement)

APOGEE2_SCI_CLUSTER

int

(1<<9) Science cluster candidate member

APOGEE2_TWOBIN_0_5_TO_0_8

int

(1<<1) Selected in blue $0.5 < (J-Ks)_o < 0.8$ color bin

APOGEE2_NO_DERED

int

(1<<6) Selected with no dereddening

APOGEE2_MAGCLOUD_CANDIDATE

int

(1<<23) Selected as potential Mag Cloud member (based on photometry)

APOGEE2_DSPH_CANDIDATE

int

(1<<21) Selected as potential dSph member (non Sgr) (based on photometry)

APOGEE2_TWOBIN_GT_0_8

int

(1<<2) Selected in red $(J-Ks)_o > 0.8$ color bin

APOGEE2_DSPH_MEMBER

int

(1<<20) Selected as confirmed dSph member (non Sgr)

APOGEE2_APOKASC_DWARF

int

(1<<28) Selected as part of APOKASC dwarf sample

APOGEE2_NORMAL_SAMPLE

int

(1<<14) Selected as part of the random sample

APOGEE2_APOKASC_GIANT

int

(1<<27) Selected as part of APOKASC giant sample

APOGEE2_SGR_DSPH

int

(1<<26) Selected as confirmed Sgr core/stream member

APOGEE2_WASH_NOCLASS

int

(1<<17) Selected because it has no W+D classification

APOGEE2_MAGCLOUD_MEMBER

int

(1<<22) Selected as confirmed Mag Cloud member

APOGEE2_RRLYR

int

(1<<24) Selected as a bulge RR Lyrae star

APOGEE2_WASH_DWARF

int

(1<<8) Selected as Wash+DDO51 photometric dwarf

APOGEE2_MANGA_LED

int

(1<<15) Star on a shared MaNGA-led design

APOGEE2_WASH_GIANT

int

(1<<7) Selected as Wash+DDO51 photometric giant

APOGEE2_SFD_DERED

int

(1<<5) Selected with SFD_EBV dereddening

APOGEE2_APOKASC

int

(1<<30) Selected as part of the APOKASC program (incl. seismic/gyro targets and others)

APOGEE2_STREAM_CANDIDATE

int

(1<<19) Selected as potential halo tidal stream member (based on photometry)

APOGEE2_IRAC_DERED

int

(1<<3) Selected with RJCE-IRAC dereddening

APOGEE2_SHORT

int

(1<<11) Selected as part of a short cohort

APOGEE2_MEDIUM*int*

(1<<12) Selected as part of a medium cohort

APOGEE2_LONG*int*

(1<<13) Selected as part of a long cohort

APOGEE2_STREAM_MEMBER*int*

(1<<18) Selected as confirmed halo tidal stream member

APOGEE2_ONEBIN_GT_0_5*int*(1<<0) Selected in single (J-Ks)_o > 0.5 color bin**APOGEE2_WISE_DERED***int*

(1<<4) Selected with RJCE-WISE dereddening

APOGEE2_ONEBIN_GT_0_3*int*(1<<16) Selected in single (J-Ks)_o > 0.3 color bin**APOGEE2_APOKASC = 1073741824****APOGEE2_APOKASC_DWARF = 268435456****APOGEE2_APOKASC_GIANT = 134217728****APOGEE2_DSPH_CANDIDATE = 2097152****APOGEE2_DSPH_MEMBER = 1048576****APOGEE2_FAINT_EXTRA = 536870912****APOGEE2_IRAC_DERED = 8****APOGEE2_LONG = 8192****APOGEE2_MAGCLOUD_CANDIDATE = 8388608****APOGEE2_MAGCLOUD_MEMBER = 4194304****APOGEE2_MANGA_LED = 32768****APOGEE2_MEDIUM = 4096****APOGEE2_NORMAL_SAMPLE = 16384****APOGEE2_NO_DERED = 64****APOGEE2_ONEBIN_GT_0_3 = 65536****APOGEE2_ONEBIN_GT_0_5 = 1****APOGEE2_RRL_YR = 16777216****APOGEE2_SCI_CLUSTER = 512****APOGEE2_SFD_DERED = 32****APOGEE2_SGR_DSPH = 67108864**


```

APOGEE2_SHORT = 2048
APOGEE2_STREAM_CANDIDATE = 524288
APOGEE2_STREAM_MEMBER = 262144
APOGEE2_TWOBIN_0_5_TO_0_8 = 2
APOGEE2_TWOBIN_GT_0_8 = 4
APOGEE2_WASH_DWARF = 256
APOGEE2_WASH_GIANT = 128
APOGEE2_WASH_NOCLASS = 131072
APOGEE2_WISE_DERED = 16

```

```
class bosssdata.bits.APOGEE2_TARGET2
```

Bases: object

APOGEE2 secondary target bits

APOGEE2_STANDARD_STAR

int

(1<<2) Stellar parameters/abundance standard

APOGEE2_GES_OVERLAP

int

(1<<14) Overlap with Gaia-ESO

APOGEE2_1M_TARGET

int

(1<<22) Selected as a 1-m target

APOGEE2_EXTERNAL_CALIB

int

(1<<5) External survey calibration target (generic flag; others below dedicated to specific surveys)

APOGEE2_GALAH_OVERLAP

int

(1<<17) Overlap with GALAH

APOGEE2_ARGOS_OVERLAP

int

(1<<15) Overlap with ARGOS

APOGEE2_INTERNAL_CALIB

int

(1<<6) Internal survey calibration target (observed in at least 2 of: APOGEE-1, -2N, -2S)

APOGEE2_GAIA_OVERLAP

int

(1<<16) Overlap with Gaia

APOGEE2_OBJECT

int

(1<<30) This object is an APOGEE-2 target

APOGEE2_TELLURIC

int

(1<<9) Telluric calibrator target

APOGEE2_LITERATURE_CALIB

int

(1<<13) Overlap with high-resolution literature studies

APOGEE2_RAVE_OVERLAP

int

(1<<18) Overlap with RAVE

APOGEE2_SKY

int

(1<<4) Sky fiber

APOGEE2_CALIB_CLUSTER

int

(1<<10) Selected as calibration cluster member

APOGEE2_RV_STANDARD

int

(1<<3) Stellar RV standard

APOGEE2_1M_TARGET = 4194304

APOGEE2_ARGOS_OVERLAP = 32768

APOGEE2_CALIB_CLUSTER = 1024

APOGEE2_EXTERNAL_CALIB = 32

APOGEE2_GAIA_OVERLAP = 65536

APOGEE2_GALAH_OVERLAP = 131072

APOGEE2_GES_OVERLAP = 16384

APOGEE2_INTERNAL_CALIB = 64

APOGEE2_LITERATURE_CALIB = 8192

APOGEE2_OBJECT = 1073741824

APOGEE2_RAVE_OVERLAP = 262144

APOGEE2_RV_STANDARD = 8

APOGEE2_SKY = 16

APOGEE2_STANDARD_STAR = 4

APOGEE2_TELLURIC = 512

class bossdata.bits.**APOGEE2_TARGET3**

Bases: object

APOGEE2 trinary target bits

APOGEE2_YOUNG_CLUSTER

int

(1<<5) Selected as part of the young cluster study (IN-SYNC)

APOGEE2_SUBSTELLAR_COMPANIONS*int*

(1<<4) Selected as part of the substellar companion search

APOGEE2_KOI_CONTROL*int*

(1<<2) Selected as part of the long cadence KOI control sample

APOGEE2_ANCILLARY*int*

(1<<8) Selected as an ancillary target

APOGEE2_MASSIVE_STAR*int*

(1<<9) Selected as part of the Massive Star program

APOGEE2_EB*int*

(1<<1) Selected as part of the EB program

APOGEE2_KOI*int*

(1<<0) Selected as part of the long cadence KOI study

APOGEE2_MDWARF*int*

(1<<3) Selected as part of the M dwarf study

APOGEE2_ANCILLARY = 256**APOGEE2_EB = 2****APOGEE2_KOI = 1****APOGEE2_KOI_CONTROL = 4****APOGEE2_MASSIVE_STAR = 512****APOGEE2_MDWARF = 8****APOGEE2_SUBSTELLAR_COMPANIONS = 16****APOGEE2_YOUNG_CLUSTER = 32****class** bosssdata.bits.**APOGEE_ASPCAPFLAG**

Bases: object

APOGEE ASPCAP mask bits

METALS_BAD*int*

(1<<19) BAD metals (see PARAMFLAG[3] for details)

TEFF_BAD*int*

(1<<16) BAD effective temperature (see PARAMFLAG[0] for details)

CHI2_WARN

int

(1<<8) high χ^2 (> 2*median at ASPCAP temperature (WARN)

NFE_WARN

int

(1<<6) WARNING on [N/Fe] (see PARAMFLAG[6] for details)

VMICRO_WARN

int

(1<<2) WARNING on vmicro (see PARAMFLAG[2] for details)

COLORTE_WARN

int

(1<<9) effective temperature more than 500K from photometric temperature for dereddened color (WARN)

COLORTE_BAD

int

(1<<25) effective temperature more than 1000K from photometric temperature for dereddened color (BAD)

TEFF_WARN

int

(1<<0) WARNING on effective temperature (see PARAMFLAG[0] for details)

CHI2_BAD

int

(1<<24) high χ^2 (> 5*median at ASPCAP temperature (BAD)

STAR_WARN

int

(1<<7) WARNING overall for star: set if any of TEFF, LOGG, CHI2, COLORTE, ROTATION, SN warn are set

CFE_BAD

int

(1<<21) BAD [C/Fe] (see PARAMFLAG[5] for details)

VMICRO_BAD

int

(1<<18) BAD vmicro (see PARAMFLAG[2] for details)

CFE_WARN

int

(1<<5) WARNING on [C/Fe] (see PARAMFLAG[5] for details)

LOGG_BAD

int

(1<<17) BAD log g (see PARAMFLAG[1] for details)

ALPHAFe_BAD

int

(1<<20) BAD [α /Fe] (see PARAMFLAG[4] for details)

NFE_BAD*int*

(1<<22) BAD [N/Fe] (see PARAMFLAG[6] for details)

ALPHAFe_WARN*int*

(1<<4) WARNING on [alpha/Fe] (see PARAMFLAG[4] for details)

SN_WARN*int*

(1<<11) S/N<70 (WARN)

SN_BAD*int*

(1<<27) S/N<50 (BAD)

METALS_WARN*int*

(1<<3) WARNING on metals (see PARAMFLAG[3] for details)

ROTATION_WARN*int*

(1<<10) Spectrum has broad lines, with possible bad effects: FWHM of cross-correlation of spectrum with best RV template relative to auto-correlation of template > 1.5 (WARN)

STAR_BAD*int*

(1<<23) BAD overall for star: set if any of TEFF, LOGG, CHI2, COLORTE, ROTATION, SN error are set, or any parameter is near grid edge (GRIDEDGE_BAD is set in any PARAMFLAG)

NO_ASPCAP_RESULT*int*

(1<<31) No result

LOGG_WARN*int*

(1<<1) WARNING on log g (see PARAMFLAG[1] for details)

ROTATION_BAD*int*

(1<<26) Spectrum has broad lines, with possible bad effects: FWHM of cross-correlation of spectrum with best RV template relative to auto-correlation of template > 2 (BAD)

ALPHAFe_BAD = 1048576**ALPHAFe_WARN = 16****CFE_BAD = 2097152****CFE_WARN = 32****CHI2_BAD = 16777216****CHI2_WARN = 256****COLORTE_BAD = 33554432**

COLORTE_WARN = 512
LOGG_BAD = 131072
LOGG_WARN = 2
METALS_BAD = 524288
METALS_WARN = 8
NFE_BAD = 4194304
NFE_WARN = 64
NO_ASPCAP_RESULT = 2147483648
ROTATION_BAD = 67108864
ROTATION_WARN = 1024
SN_BAD = 134217728
SN_WARN = 2048
STAR_BAD = 8388608
STAR_WARN = 128
TEFF_BAD = 65536
TEFF_WARN = 1
VMICRO_BAD = 262144
VMICRO_WARN = 4

class `bosssdata.bits.APOGEE_EXTRATARG`
Bases: `object`
APOGEE pixel level mask bits

COMMISSIONING
int
(1<<1) Commissioning data

NOT_MAIN
int
(1<<0) Not main survey target

TELLURIC
int
(1<<2) Telluric target

DUPLICATE
int
(1<<4) Duplicate observation of star

APO1M
int
(1<<3) APO1M + APOGEE observation

APO1M = 8
COMMISSIONING = 2

DUPLICATE = 16

NOT_MAIN = 1

TELLURIC = 4

class `bosssdata.bits.APOGEE_PARAMFLAG`

Bases: `object`

APOGEE parameter mask bits (set for each stellar parameter in ASPCAP fit)

CALRANGE_BAD

int

(1<<1) Parameter outside valid range of calibration determination

OTHER_WARN

int

(1<<10) Other warning condition

OTHER_BAD

int

(1<<2) Other error condition

CALRANGE_WARN

int

(1<<9) Parameter in possibly unreliable range of calibration determination

GRIDEDGE_WARN

int

(1<<8) Parameter within 1/2 grid spacing of grid edge

PARAM_FIXED

int

(1<<16) Parameter set at fixed value, not fit

GRIDEDGE_BAD

int

(1<<0) Parameter within 1/8 grid spacing of grid edge

CALRANGE_BAD = 2

CALRANGE_WARN = 512

GRIDEDGE_BAD = 1

GRIDEDGE_WARN = 256

OTHER_BAD = 4

OTHER_WARN = 1024

PARAM_FIXED = 65536

class `bosssdata.bits.APOGEE_PIXMASK`

Bases: `object`

APOGEE extra targeting bits

PERSIST_MED

int

(1<<10) Pixel falls in medium persistence region, may be affected

NOSKY

int

(1<<7) No sky available for this pixel from sky fibers

CRPIX

int

(1<<1) Pixel marked as cosmic ray in ap3d

BADERR

int

(1<<6) Pixel set to have very high error (not used)

PERSIST_HIGH

int

(1<<9) Pixel falls in high persistence region, may be affected

SIG_TELLURIC

int

(1<<13) Pixel falls near telluric line that has significant absorption

SIG_SKYLINE

int

(1<<12) Pixel falls near sky line that has significant flux compared with object

UNFIXABLE

int

(1<<3) Pixel marked as unfixable in ap3d

SATPIX

int

(1<<2) Pixel marked as saturated in ap3d

BADDARK

int

(1<<4) Pixel marked as bad as determined from dark frame

PERSIST_LOW

int

(1<<11) Pixel falls in low persistence region, may be affected

LITTROW_GHOST

int

(1<<8) Pixel falls in Littrow ghost, may be affected

BADFLAT

int

(1<<5) Pixel marked as bad as determined from flat frame

BADPIX

int

(1<<0) Pixel marked as BAD in bad pixel mask

BADDARK = 16
BADERR = 64
BADFLAT = 32
BADPIX = 1
CRPIX = 2
LITTROW_GHOST = 256
NOSKY = 128
PERSIST_HIGH = 512
PERSIST_LOW = 2048
PERSIST_MED = 1024
SATPIX = 4
SIG_SKYLINE = 4096
SIG_TELLURIC = 8192
UNFIXABLE = 8

class bossdata.bits.**APOGEE_STARFLAG**

Bases: object

APOGEE star-level mask bits

PERSIST_MED

int

(1<<10) Spectrum has significant number (>20%) of pixels in medium persistence region: WARN

SUSPECT_RV_COMBINATION

int

(1<<16) WARNING: RVs from synthetic template differ significantly from those from combined template

BRIGHT_NEIGHBOR

int

(1<<2) Star has neighbor more than 10 times brighter: WARN

PERSIST_JUMP_NEG

int

(1<<13) Spectrum show obvious negative jump in blue chip: WARN

BAD_PIXELS

int

(1<<0) Spectrum has many bad pixels (>40%): BAD

PERSIST_LOW

int

(1<<11) Spectrum has significant number (>20%) of pixels in low persistence region: WARN

LOW_SNR

int

(1<<4) Spectrum has low S/N (S/N<5): BAD

VERY_BRIGHT_NEIGHBOR

int

(1<<3) Star has neighbor more than 100 times brighter: BAD

SUSPECT_BROAD_LINES

int

(1<<17) WARNING: cross-correlation peak with template significantly broader than autocorrelation of template

COMMISSIONING

int

(1<<1) Commissioning data (MJD<55761), non-standard configuration, poor LSF: WARN

PERSIST_HIGH

int

(1<<9) Spectrum has significant number (>20%) of pixels in high persistence region: WARN

PERSIST_JUMP_POS

int

(1<<12) Spectrum show obvious positive jump in blue chip: WARN

BAD_PIXELS = 1

BRIGHT_NEIGHBOR = 4

COMMISSIONING = 2

LOW_SNR = 16

PERSIST_HIGH = 512

PERSIST_JUMP_NEG = 8192

PERSIST_JUMP_POS = 4096

PERSIST_LOW = 2048

PERSIST_MED = 1024

SUSPECT_BROAD_LINES = 131072

SUSPECT_RV_COMBINATION = 65536

VERY_BRIGHT_NEIGHBOR = 8

class bossdata.bits.**APOGEE_TARGET1**

Bases: object

APOGEE primary target bits

APOGEE_INTERMEDIATE

int

(1<<12) Intermediate cohort target

APOGEE_KEPLER_EB

int

(1<<23) Eclipsing binary from Kepler (ancillary)

APOGEE_FAINT_EXTRA

int

(1<<29) Selected as faint target for low target-density field

APOGEE_OLD_STAR

int

(1<<21) Selected as old star (ancillary)

APOGEE_IRAC_DERED

int

(1<<3) Selected using RJCE-IRAC dereddening

APOGEE_CHECKED

int

(1<<31) This target has been checked

APOGEE_WISE_DERED

int

(1<<4) Selected using RJCE-WISE dereddening

APOGEE_KEPLER_SEISMO

int

(1<<27) Kepler asteroseismology program target

APOGEE_LONG

int

(1<<13) Long cohort target

APOGEE_MDWARF

int

(1<<19) M dwarfs selected for RV program (ancillary)

APOGEE_ANCILLARY

int

(1<<17) An ancillary program

APOGEE_SCI_CLUSTER

int

(1<<9) Probable cluster member

APOGEE_GC_PAL1

int

(1<<24) Star in globular cluster (ancillary)

APOGEE_M31_CLUSTER

int

(1<<18) M31 cluster target (ancillary)

APOGEE_SERENDIPITOUS

int

(1<<15) Serendipitously interesting target to reobserve

APOGEE_NO_DERED

int

(1<<6) Selected using no dereddening

APOGEE_WASH_DWARF

int

(1<<8) Selected as dwarf in Washington photometry

APOGEE_WASH_GIANT

int

(1<<7) Selected as giant in Washington photometry

APOGEE_HIRES

int

(1<<20) Star with optical hi-res spectra (ancillary)

APOGEE_FIRST_LIGHT

int

(1<<16) First list plate target

APOGEE_MASSIVE_STAR

int

(1<<25) Selected as massive star (ancillary)

APOGEE_DO_NOT_OBSERVE

int

(1<<14) Do not observe (again)

APOGEE_SHORT

int

(1<<11) Short cohort target

APOGEE_EXTENDED

int

(1<<10) Extended object

APOGEE_KEPLER_HOST

int

(1<<28) Kepler planet-host program target

APOGEE_SEGUE_OVERLAP

int

(1<<30) Selected because of overlap with SEGUE survey

APOGEE_FAINT

int

(1<<0) Selected in faint bin of cohort

APOGEE_SGR_DSPH

int

(1<<26) Sagittarius dwarf spheroidal member

APOGEE_BRIGHT

int

(1<<2) Selected in bright bin of cohort

APOGEE_SFD_DERED

int

(1<<5) Selected using SFD E(B-V) dereddening

APOGEE_MEDIUM

int

(1<<1) Selected in medium bin of cohort

APOGEE_DISK_RED_GIANT

int

(1<<22) Disk red giant (ancillary)

APOGEE_ANCILLARY = 131072

APOGEE_BRIGHT = 4

APOGEE_CHECKED = 2147483648

APOGEE_DISK_RED_GIANT = 4194304

APOGEE_DO_NOT_OBSERVE = 16384

APOGEE_EXTENDED = 1024

APOGEE_FAINT = 1

APOGEE_FAINT_EXTRA = 536870912

APOGEE_FIRST_LIGHT = 65536

APOGEE_GC_PAL1 = 16777216

APOGEE_HIRES = 1048576

APOGEE_INTERMEDIATE = 4096

APOGEE_IRAC_DERED = 8

APOGEE_KEPLER_EB = 8388608

APOGEE_KEPLER_HOST = 268435456

APOGEE_KEPLER_SEISMO = 134217728

APOGEE_LONG = 8192

APOGEE_M31_CLUSTER = 262144

APOGEE_MASSIVE_STAR = 33554432

APOGEE_MDWARF = 524288

APOGEE_MEDIUM = 2

APOGEE_NO_DERED = 64

APOGEE_OLD_STAR = 2097152

APOGEE_SCI_CLUSTER = 512

APOGEE_SEGUE_OVERLAP = 1073741824

APOGEE_SERENDIPITOUS = 32768

APOGEE_SFD_DERED = 32

APOGEE_SGR_DSPH = 67108864

APOGEE_SHORT = 2048

APOGEE_WASH_DWARF = 256

APOGEE_WASH_GIANT = 128

APOGEE_WISE_DERED = 16

class bossdata.bits.**APOGEE_TARGET2**

Bases: object

APOGEE secondary target bits

BUNDLE_HOLE

int

(1<<7) Bundle hole

APOGEE_KEPLER_COOLDWARF

int

(1<<16) Kepler cool dwarf/subgiant (ancillary)

APOGEE_CALIB_CLUSTER

int

(1<<10) Known calibration cluster member

APOGEE_LONGBAR

int

(1<<14) Probable RC star in long bar (ancillary)

GUIDE_STAR

int

(1<<6) Guide star

APOGEE_RV_STANDARD

int

(1<<3) Radial velocity standard

APOGEE_FLUX_STANDARD

int

(1<<1) Flux standard

APOGEE_GC_SUPER_GIANT

int

(1<<12) Probable supergiant in Galactic Center

SKY

int

(1<<4) Sky

APOGEE_EMISSION_STAR

int

(1<<15) Emission-line star (ancillary)

APOGEE_STANDARD_STAR

int

(1<<2) Stellar abundance, parameters standard

APOGEE_EMBEDDEDCLUSTER_STAR*int*

(1<<13) Young embedded clusters (ancillary)

SKY_BAD*int*

(1<<5) Selected as sky but identified as bad (via visual exam or observation)

APOGEE_TELLURIC*int*

(1<<9) Hot (telluric) standard

LIGHT_TRAP*int*

(1<<0) Light trap

APOGEE_MIRCLUSTER_STAR*int*

(1<<17) Candidate MIR-detected cluster member (ancillary)

APOGEE_CHECKED*int*

(1<<31) This target has been checked

APOGEE_TELLURIC_BAD*int*

(1<<8) Selected as telluric standard but identified as bad (via SIMBAD or observation)

APOGEE_GC_GIANT*int*

(1<<11) Probable giant in Galactic Center

APOGEE_CALIB_CLUSTER = 1024**APOGEE_CHECKED = 2147483648****APOGEE_EMBEDDEDCLUSTER_STAR = 8192****APOGEE_EMISSION_STAR = 32768****APOGEE_FLUX_STANDARD = 2****APOGEE_GC_GIANT = 2048****APOGEE_GC_SUPER_GIANT = 4096****APOGEE_KEPLER_COOLDWARF = 65536****APOGEE_LONGBAR = 16384****APOGEE_MIRCLUSTER_STAR = 131072****APOGEE_RV_STANDARD = 8****APOGEE_STANDARD_STAR = 4****APOGEE_TELLURIC = 512****APOGEE_TELLURIC_BAD = 256****BUNDLE_HOLE = 128**

GUIDE_STAR = 64

LIGHT_TRAP = 1

SKY = 16

SKY_BAD = 32

class bossdata.bits.**BOSSTILE_STATUS**

Bases: object

BOSS tiling code status bits

MIDLEVEL_PRIORITY

int

(1<<23) targets (from ancillary list) tiled between gals and ancillaries

NAKED

int

(1<<1) not in area covered by tiles

DECOLLIDED

int

(1<<3) in the decollided set of high priority

DUPLICATE

int

(1<<17) trimmed as a duplicate object (only checked if not trimmed for any other reason)

DUPLICATE_PRIMARY

int

(1<<18) has associated duplicate object that were trimmed (but this one is kept)

KNOWN_OBJECT

int

(1<<16) galaxy has known redshift

DUPLICATE_TILED

int

(1<<19) trimmed as a duplicate object, and its primary was tiled

FILLER

int

(1<<11) was a filler (not normal repeat)

POSSIBLE_KNOCKOUT

int

(1<<5) knocked out of at least one tile by BOSSTARGET

REPEAT

int

(1<<10) included on more than one tile

ANCILLARY_ROUND2

int

(1<<22) new ancillaries added June 2012 (tiled after old ancillaries)

IGNORE_PRIORITY*int*

(1<<6) priority exceeds max (ANCILLARY only)

BLUEFIBER*int*

(1<<8) allocate this object a blue fiber

TOOFAINT*int*

(1<<20) trimmed because it was fainter than the ifiber2mag limit

OUT_OF_BOUNDS*int*

(1<<13) outside bounds for this sort of target (for restricted QSO geometry, e.g.)

BAD_CALIB_STATUS*int*

(1<<14) bad CALIB_STATUS

BOSSTARGET*int*

(1<<2) in the high priority set of targets

PREVIOUS_CHUNK*int*

(1<<15) included because not tiled in previous overlapping chunk

ANCILLARY*int*

(1<<4) in the lower priority, ancillary set

CENTERPOST*int*

(1<<9) 92 arcsec collision with center post

TOOBRIGHT*int*

(1<<7) fibermag too bright

SUPPLEMENTARY*int*

(1<<21) supplementary targets tiles after the ancillaries (subset of ancillaries)

NOT_TILED_TARGET*int*

(1<<12) though in input file, not a tiled target

TILED*int*

(1<<0) assigned a fiber

ANCILLARY = 16

ANCILLARY_ROUND2 = 4194304
BAD_CALIB_STATUS = 16384
BLUEFIBER = 256
BOSSTARGET = 4
CENTERPOST = 512
DECOLLIDED = 8
DUPLICATE = 131072
DUPLICATE_PRIMARY = 262144
DUPLICATE_TILED = 524288
FILLER = 2048
IGNORE_PRIORITY = 64
KNOWN_OBJECT = 65536
MIDLEVEL_PRIORITY = 8388608
NAKED = 2
NOT_TILED_TARGET = 4096
OUT_OF_BOUNDS = 8192
POSSIBLE_KNOCKOUT = 32
PREVIOUS_CHUNK = 32768
REPEAT = 1024
SUPPLEMENTARY = 2097152
TILED = 1
TOOBRIGHT = 128
TOOFAINT = 1048576

class bosssdata.bits.**BOSS_TARGET1**

Bases: object

BOSS survey primary target selection flags

QSO_UKIDSS

int

(1<<15) UKIDSS stars that match sweeps/pass flag cuts

QSO_CORE_MAIN

int

(1<<40) Main survey core sample

SDSS_KNOWN

int

(1<<6) Matches a known SDSS spectra

QSO_BONUS

int

(1<<11) permissive qso selection: commissioning only

QSO_BONUS_MAIN*int*

(1<<41) Main survey bonus sample

QSO_KDE*int*

(1<<19) selected by kde+chi2

TEMPLATE_GAL_PHOTO*int*

(1<<32) galaxy templates

GAL_CMASS_ALL*int*

(1<<7) GAL_CMASS and the entire sparsely sampled region

QSO_KDE_COADD*int*

(1<<16) kde targets from the stripe82 coadd

QSO_CORE_ED*int*

(1<<42) Extreme Deconvolution in Core

TEMPLATE_STAR_PHOTO*int*

(1<<34) stellar templates

GAL_IFIBER2_FAINT*int*

(1<<8) ifiber2 > 21.5, extinction corrected. Used after Nov 2010

QSO_KNOWN_MIDZ*int*

(1<<12) known qso between [2.2,9.99]

GAL_LODPERP_DEPRECATED*int*

(1<<5) (DEPRECATED) Same as hiz but between dperp00 and dperp0

QSO_CORE_LIKE*int*

(1<<43) Likelihood that make it into core

STD_FSTAR*int*

(1<<20) standard f-stars

GAL_CMASS*int*

(1<<1) dperp > 0.55, color-mag cut

GAL_LOZ

int

(1<<0) low-z lrgs

QSO_KNOWN_LOHIZ

int

(1<<13) known qso outside of miz range. never target

QSO_NN

int

(1<<14) Neural Net that match to sweeps/pass cuts

TEMPLATE_STAR_SPECTRO

int

(1<<35) stellar templates (spectroscopically known)

GAL_CMASS_COMM

int

(1<<2) dperp > 0.55, commissioning color-mag cut

QSO_CORE

int

(1<<10) restrictive qso selection: commissioning only

GAL_CMASS_SPARSE

int

(1<<3) GAL_CMASS_COMM & (!GAL_CMASS) & (i < 19.9) sparsely sampled

STD_QSO

int

(1<<22) qso

QSO_LIKE

int

(1<<17) likelihood method

QSO_KNOWN_SUPPZ

int

(1<<44) known qso between [1.8,2.15]

STD_WD

int

(1<<21) white dwarfs

QSO_FIRST_BOSS

int

(1<<18) FIRST radio match

TEMPLATE_QSO_SDSS1

int

(1<<33) QSO templates

GAL_CMASS = 2

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GAL_CMASS_ALL = 128
GAL_CMASS_COMM = 4
GAL_CMASS_SPARSE = 8
GAL_IFIBER2_FAINT = 256
GAL_LODPERP_DEPRECATED = 32
GAL_LOZ = 1
QSO_BONUS = 2048
QSO_BONUS_MAIN = 2199023255552
QSO_CORE = 1024
QSO_CORE_ED = 4398046511104
QSO_CORE_LIKE = 8796093022208
QSO_CORE_MAIN = 1099511627776
QSO_FIRST_BOSS = 262144
QSO_KDE = 524288
QSO_KDE_COADD = 65536
QSO_KNOWN_LOHIZ = 8192
QSO_KNOWN_MIDZ = 4096
QSO_KNOWN_SUPPZ = 17592186044416
QSO_LIKE = 131072
QSO_NN = 16384
QSO_UKIDSS = 32768
SDSS_KNOWN = 64
STD_FSTAR = 1048576
STD_QSO = 4194304
STD_WD = 2097152
TEMPLATE_GAL_PHOTO = 4294967296
TEMPLATE_QSO_SDSS1 = 8589934592
TEMPLATE_STAR_PHOTO = 17179869184
TEMPLATE_STAR_SPECTRO = 34359738368
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```
class bosssdata.bits.CALIB_STATUS
```

```
    Bases: object
```

```
    Calibration status for an SDSS image
```

```
    UNPHOT_EXTRAP_CLEAR
```

```
        int
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```
        (1<<2) Extrapolate the solution from the clear part of a night (that was ubercalibrated) to the cloudy part
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UNPHOT_EXTRAP_CLOUDY

int

(1<<3) The solution here is based on fitting the a-term to cloudy data.

PT_CLEAR

int

(1<<8) PT calibration for clear data

UNPHOT_DISJOINT

int

(1<<4) Data is disjoint from the rest of the survey (even though conditions may be photometric), the calibration is suspect

PS1_CONTRAIL

int

(1<<7) Comparison to PS1 reveals possible contrail

DEFAULT

int

(1<<10) a default calibration used

PHOTOMETRIC

int

(1<<0) Photometric observations

NO_UBERCAL

int

(1<<11) not uber-calibrated

PS1_PCOMP_MODEL

int

(1<<13) Enough information for PS1-based principal component flat model

PS1_LOW_RMS

int

(1<<14) Low RMS in comparison with PS1

PS1_UNPHOT

int

(1<<6) Comparison to PS1 reveals unphotometric conditions

PT_CLOUDY

int

(1<<9) PT calibration for cloudy data

INCREMENT_CALIB

int

(1<<5) Incrementally calibrated by considering overlaps with ubercalibrated data

ASTROMBAD

int

(1<<12) catastrophically bad astrometry

UNPHOT_OVERLAP

int

(1<<1) Unphotometric observations, calibrated based on overlaps with clear, ubercalibrated data; this is done on a field-by-field basis

ASTROMBAD = 4096

DEFAULT = 1024

INCREMENT_CALIB = 32

NO_UBERCAL = 2048

PHOTOMETRIC = 1

PS1_CONTRAIL = 128

PS1_LOW_RMS = 16384

PS1_PCOMP_MODEL = 8192

PS1_UNPHOT = 64

PT_CLEAR = 256

PT_CLOUDY = 512

UNPHOT_DISJOINT = 16

UNPHOT_EXTRAP_CLEAR = 4

UNPHOT_EXTRAP_CLOUDY = 8

UNPHOT_OVERLAP = 2

class bosssdata.bits.**EBOSS_TARGET0**

Bases: object

targeting bitmask for SEQUELS (eBOSS precursor)

QSO_REOBS

int

(1<<12) QSOs from BOSS to be reobserved

SEQUELS_COLLIDED

int

(1<<41) Collided galaxies from BOSS

TDSS_FES_VARBAL

int

(1<<35) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

SPIDERS_ERASS_AGN

int

(1<<22) ERASS AGN sources

QSO_EBOSS_KDE

int

(1<<13) KDE-selected QSOs (sequels only)

SPIDERS_RASS_AGN

int

(1<<20) RASS AGN sources

QSO_EBOSS_CORE

int

(1<<10) QSOs in XDQSOz+WISE selection for clustering

SPIDERS_RASS_CLUS

int

(1<<21) RASS Cluster sources

TDSS_FES_DE

int

(1<<31) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

LRG_IZW

int

(1<<1) LRG selection in i/z/W plane

QSO_EBOSS_FIRST

int

(1<<14) Objects with FIRST radio matches

QSO_PTF

int

(1<<11) QSOs with variability in PTF imaging

QSO_KNOWN

int

(1<<18) Known QSOs from previous surveys

LRG_RIW

int

(1<<2) LRG selection in r/i/W plan with (i-z) cut

TDSS_FES_NQHISN

int

(1<<33) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

TDSS_FES_DWARFC

int

(1<<32) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

SPIDERS_ERASS_CLUS

int

(1<<23) ERASS Cluster sources

DR9_CALIB_TARGET

int

(1<<19) Target found in DR9-calibrated imaging

DO_NOT_OBSERVE*int*

(1<<0) Don't put a fiber on this object

TDSS_FES_MGII*int*

(1<<34) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

TDSS_A*int*

(1<<30) Main PanSTARRS selection for TDSS

QSO_BAD_BOSS*int*

(1<<15) QSOs from BOSS with bad spectra

QSO_BOSS_TARGET*int*

(1<<16) Known TARGETS from BOSS with spectra

QSO_SDSS_TARGET*int*

(1<<17) Known TARGETS from SDSS with spectra

SEQUELS_PTF_VARIABLE*int*

(1<<40) Variability objects from PTF

DO_NOT_OBSERVE = 1**DR9_CALIB_TARGET = 524288****LRG_IZW = 2****LRG_RIW = 4****QSO_BAD_BOSS = 32768****QSO_BOSS_TARGET = 65536****QSO_EBOSS_CORE = 1024****QSO_EBOSS_FIRST = 16384****QSO_EBOSS_KDE = 8192****QSO_KNOWN = 262144****QSO_PTF = 2048****QSO_REOBS = 4096****QSO_SDSS_TARGET = 131072****SEQUELS_COLLIDED = 219902325552****SEQUELS_PTF_VARIABLE = 109951162776****SPIDERS_ERASS_AGN = 4194304****SPIDERS_ERASS_CLUS = 8388608**

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SPIDERS_RASS_AGN = 1048576
SPIDERS_RASS_CLUS = 2097152
TDSS_A = 1073741824
TDSS_FES_DE = 2147483648
TDSS_FES_DWARFC = 4294967296
TDSS_FES_MGII = 17179869184
TDSS_FES_NQHISN = 8589934592
TDSS_FES_VARBAL = 34359738368
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class bosssdata.bits.EBOSS_TARGET1
  Bases: object
  targeting bitmask for eBOSS

  QSO1_REOBS
    int
    (1<<12) QSOs from BOSS to be reobserved

  QSO_SDSS_TARGET
    int
    (1<<17) Known TARGETS from SDSS with spectra

  ELG_TEST1
    int
    (1<<40) Test targets for ELG selection

  LRG_KNOWN
    int
    (1<<3) LRG selection in r/i/W plan with (i-z) cut

  STD_QSO
    int
    (1<<52) qso

  LRG1_IDROP
    int
    (1<<2) LRG selection in r/i/W plan with (i-z) cut

  QSO1_EBOSS_FIRST
    int
    (1<<14) Objects with FIRST radio matches

  STD_WD
    int
    (1<<51) white dwarfs

  QSO1_BAD_BOSS
    int
    (1<<15) QSOs from BOSS with bad spectra
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QSO1_EBOSS_KDE*int*

(1<<13) KDE-selected QSOs (sequels only)

TDSS_TARGET*int*

(1<<30) Target for TDSS (subclass found in eboss_target2)

QSO_BOSS_TARGET*int*

(1<<16) Known TARGETS from BOSS with spectra

STD_FSTAR*int*

(1<<50) standard f-stars

QSO_KNOWN*int*

(1<<18) Known QSOs from previous surveys

QSO1_EBOSS_CORE*int*

(1<<10) QSOs in XDQSOz+WISE selection for clustering

DO_NOT_OBSERVE*int*

(1<<0) Don't put a fiber on this object

QSO1_PTF*int*

(1<<11) QSOs with variability in PTF imaging

LRG1_WISE*int*

(1<<1) LRG selection in i/z/W plane

QSO1_VAR_S82*int*

(1<<9) Variability-selected QSOs in the repeated Stripe 82 imaging

SPIDERS_TARGET*int*

(1<<31) Target for SPIDERS (subclass found in eboss_target2)

DO_NOT_OBSERVE = 1**ELG_TEST1 = 1099511627776****LRG1_IDROP = 4****LRG1_WISE = 2****LRG_KNOWN = 8****QSO1_BAD_BOSS = 32768****QSO1_EBOSS_CORE = 1024**

QSO1_EBOSS_FIRST = 16384

QSO1_EBOSS_KDE = 8192

QSO1_PTF = 2048

QSO1_REOBS = 4096

QSO1_VAR_S82 = 512

QSO_BOSS_TARGET = 65536

QSO_KNOWN = 262144

QSO_SDSS_TARGET = 131072

SPIDERS_TARGET = 2147483648

STD_FSTAR = 1125899906842624

STD_QSO = 4503599627370496

STD_WD = 2251799813685248

TDSS_TARGET = 1073741824

class bossdata.bits.EBOSS_TARGET2

Bases: object

targeting bitmask for eBOSS

ELG_UGRIZWbright_TEST1

int

(1<<45) WISE selection for test1 ELG plates

TDSS_FES_VARBAL

int

(1<<25) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

SPIDERS_ERASS_AGN

int

(1<<2) ERASS AGN sources

SPIDERS_RASS_AGN

int

(1<<0) RASS AGN sources

TDSS_CP

int

(1<<31) TDSS in common with CORE/PTF

TDSS_FES_HYPSTAR

int

(1<<28) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

TDSS_FES_HYPQSO

int

(1<<27) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

TDSS_FES_DE*int*

(1<<21) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

SPIDERS_RASS_CLUS*int*

(1<<1) RASS Cluster sources

TDSS_FES_WDDM*int*

(1<<29) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

ELG_SCUSS_TEST1*int*

(1<<40) SCUSS selection for test1 ELG plates

TDSS_FES_ACTSTAR*int*

(1<<30) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

TDSS_FES_NQHISN*int*

(1<<23) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

SPIDERS_XMMSL_AGN*int*

(1<<4) XMM Slew survey

TDSS_FES_DWARFC*int*

(1<<22) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

SPIDERS_ERASS_CLUS*int*

(1<<3) ERASS Cluster sources

ELG_DES_TEST1*int*

(1<<41) DES selection for test1 ELG plates

TDSS_FES_MGII*int*

(1<<24) TDSS Few epoch spectroscopy

TDSS_A*int*

(1<<20) Main PanSTARRS selection for TDSS

TDSS_B*int*

(1<<26) Main TDSS SES version B

ELG_GRIW_TEST1

int

(1<<46) WISE selection for test1 ELG plates

ELG_UGRIZW_TEST1

int

(1<<44) WISE selection for test1 ELG plates

ELG_SDSS_TEST1

int

(1<<43) SDSS-only selection for test1 ELG plates

SPIDERS_XCLASS_CLUS

int

(1<<5) XMM serendipitous clusters

ELG_DESI_TEST1

int

(1<<42) DESI selection for test1 ELG plates

ELG_DESI_TEST1 = 4398046511104

ELG_DES_TEST1 = 2199023255552

ELG_GRIW_TEST1 = 70368744177664

ELG_SCUSS_TEST1 = 1099511627776

ELG_SDSS_TEST1 = 8796093022208

ELG_UGRIZW_TEST1 = 17592186044416

ELG_UGRIZWbright_TEST1 = 35184372088832

SPIDERS_ERASS_AGN = 4

SPIDERS_ERASS_CLUS = 8

SPIDERS_RASS_AGN = 1

SPIDERS_RASS_CLUS = 2

SPIDERS_XCLASS_CLUS = 32

SPIDERS_XMMSL_AGN = 16

TDSS_A = 1048576

TDSS_B = 67108864

TDSS_CP = 2147483648

TDSS_FES_ACTSTAR = 1073741824

TDSS_FES_DE = 2097152

TDSS_FES_DWARFC = 4194304

TDSS_FES_HYPQSO = 134217728

TDSS_FES_HYPSTAR = 268435456

TDSS_FES_MGII = 16777216

TDSS_FES_NQHISN = 8388608

TDSS_FES_VARBAL = 33554432

TDSS_FES_WDDM = 536870912

class `bosssdata.bits.FLUXMATCH_STATUS`

Bases: `object`

Flags from flux-based matching to SDSS photometry

FIBER_FLUXMATCH

int

(1<<1) flagged due to fiberflux/aperflux issue

BRIGHTEST_FLUXMATCH

int

(1<<5) picked the brightest child

NONMATCH_FLUXMATCH

int

(1<<2) flagged due to non-match

ORIGINAL_FLUXMATCH

int

(1<<0) used the original positional match (which exists)

PARENT_FLUXMATCH

int

(1<<4) overlapping parent has no children, so used it

NOPARENT_FLUXMATCH

int

(1<<3) no overlapping parent in primary field

BRIGHTEST_FLUXMATCH = 32

FIBER_FLUXMATCH = 2

NONMATCH_FLUXMATCH = 4

NOPARENT_FLUXMATCH = 8

ORIGINAL_FLUXMATCH = 1

PARENT_FLUXMATCH = 16

class `bosssdata.bits.IMAGE_STATUS`

Bases: `object`

Sky and instrument conditions of SDSS image

DEAD_CCD

int

(1<<8) CCD bad (unphotometric)

BAD_ROTATOR

int

(1<<3) Rotator problems (set score=0)

UNKNOWN

int

(1<<2) Sky conditions unknown (unphotometric)

CLEAR

int

(1<<0) Clear skies

BAD_ASTROM

int

(1<<4) Astrometry problems (set score=0)

BAD_FOCUS

int

(1<<5) Focus bad (set score=0)

CLOUDY

int

(1<<1) Cloudy skies (unphotometric)

FF_PETALS

int

(1<<7) Flat-field petals out of place (unphotometric)

NOISY_CCD

int

(1<<9) CCD noisy (unphotometric)

SHUTTERS

int

(1<<6) Shutter out of place (set score=0)

BAD_ASTROM = 16

BAD_FOCUS = 32

BAD_ROTATOR = 8

CLEAR = 1

CLOUDY = 2

DEAD_CCD = 256

FF_PETALS = 128

NOISY_CCD = 512

SHUTTERS = 64

UNKNOWN = 4

class bossdata.bits.**MANGA_DAPQUAL**

Bases: object

Mask bits for MaNGA DAP quality flags

VALIDFILE

int

(1<<0) File is valid

VALIDFILE = 1

class bossdata.bits.MANGA_DRP2PIXMASK

Bases: object

Mask bits per fiber or pixel for 2d MaNGA spectra.

BRIGHTSKY

int

(1<<24) Sky level > flux + 10*(flux_err) AND sky > 1.25 * median(sky,99 pixels)

SMEARHIGHSN

int

(1<<11) S/N sufficient for full smear fit

MANYBADCOLUMNS

int

(1<<4) More than 10% of pixels are bad columns

BADARC

int

(1<<3) Bad arc solution

REDMONSTER

int

(1<<29) Contiguous region of bad chi^2 in sky residuals (with threshold of relative chi^2 > 3).

BADTRACE

int

(1<<1) Bad trace

FULLREJECT

int

(1<<19) Pixel fully rejected in extraction model fit (INVVAR=0)

NOPLUG

int

(1<<0) Fiber not listed in plugmap file

NEARWHOPPER

int

(1<<8) Within 2 fibers of a whopping fiber (exclusive)

MANYREJECTED

int

(1<<5) More than 10% of pixels are rejected in extraction

LARGESHIFT

int

(1<<6) Large spatial shift between flat and object position

NOSKY

int

(1<<23) Sky level unknown at this wavelength (INVVAR=0)

WHOPPER

int

(1<<9) Whopping fiber, with a very bright source.

BADFLUXFACTOR

int

(1<<27) Low flux-calibration or flux-correction factor

CROSSTALK

int

(1<<22) Cross-talk significant

COSMIC

int

(1<<16) Pixel flagged as cosmic ray.

DEADFIBER

int

(1<<13) Broken fiber according to metrology files

SMEARIMAGE

int

(1<<10) Smear available for red and blue cameras

COMBINEREJ

int

(1<<26) Rejected in combine B-spline

BADSKYFIBER

int

(1<<7) Sky fiber shows extreme residuals

PARTIALREJECT

int

(1<<20) Some pixels rejected in extraction model fit

LOWFLAT

int

(1<<18) Flat field less than 0.5

NODATA

int

(1<<25) No data available in combine B-spline (INVVAR=0)

BADSKYCHI

int

(1<<28) Relative $\chi^2 > 3$ in sky residuals at this wavelength

SCATTEREDLIGHT

int

(1<<21) Scattered light significant

NEARBADPIXEL*int*

(1<<17) Bad pixel within 3 pixels of trace.

_3DREJECT*int*

(1<<30) Used in RSS file, indicates should be rejected when making 3D cube

BADFLAT*int*

(1<<2) Low counts in fiberflat

BADPIX*int*

(1<<15) Pixel flagged in badpix reference file.

SMEARMEDSN*int*

(1<<12) S/N only sufficient for scaled median fit

BADARC = 8**BADFLAT = 4****BADFLUXFACTOR = 134217728****BADPIX = 32768****BADSKYCHI = 268435456****BADSKYFIBER = 128****BADTRACE = 2****BRIGHTSKY = 16777216****COMBINEREJ = 67108864****COSMIC = 65536****CROSSTALK = 4194304****DEADFIBER = 8192****FULLREJECT = 524288****LARGESHIFT = 64****LOWFLAT = 262144****MANYBADCOLUMNS = 16****MANYREJECTED = 32****NEARBADPIXEL = 131072****NEARWHOPPER = 256****NODATA = 33554432****NOPLUG = 1****NOSKY = 8388608****PARTIALREJECT = 1048576**

REDMONSTER = 536870912

SCATTEREDLIGHT = 2097152

SMEARHIGHSN = 2048

SMEARIMAGE = 1024

SMEARMEDSN = 4096

WHOPPER = 512

class bossdata.bits.**MANGA_DRP2QUAL**

Bases: object

Mask bits for MaNGA DRP-2d quality flags

FULLCLOUD

int

(1<<12) Completely cloudy exposure

LOWEXPTIME

int

(1<<3) Exposure time less than 10 minutes

EXTRACTBRIGHT

int

(1<<2) Extracted spectra abnormally bright

SKYSUBBAD

int

(1<<10) Bad sky subtraction

BADIFU

int

(1<<4) One or more IFUs missing/bad in this frame

SKYSUBFAIL

int

(1<<11) Failed sky subtraction

ARCFOCUS

int

(1<<8) Bad focus on arc frames

EXTRACTBAD

int

(1<<1) Many bad values in extracted frame

SCATFAIL

int

(1<<6) Failure to correct high scattered light levels

RAMPAGINGBUNNY

int

(1<<9) Rampaging dust bunnies in IFU flats

BADDITHER

int

(1<<7) Bad dither location information

HIGHSCAT

int

(1<<5) High scattered light levels

VALIDFILE

int

(1<<0) File is valid

ARCFOCUS = 256

BADDITHER = 128

BADIFU = 16

EXTRACTBAD = 2

EXTRACTBRIGHT = 4

FULLCLOUD = 4096

HIGHSCAT = 32

LOWEXPTIME = 8

RAMPAGINGBUNNY = 512

SCATFAIL = 64

SKYSUBBAD = 1024

SKYSUBFAIL = 2048

VALIDFILE = 1

class bossdata.bits.**MANGA_DRP3PIXMASK**

Bases: object

Mask bits per spaxel for a MaNGA data cube.

DEADFIBER

int

(1<<2) Major contributing fiber is dead

NOCOV

int

(1<<0) No coverage in cube

DONOTUSE

int

(1<<10) Do not use this spaxel for science

LOWCOV

int

(1<<1) Low coverage depth in cube

FORESTAR

int

(1<<3) Foreground star

DEADFIBER = 4

DONOTUSE = 1024

FORESTAR = 8

LOWCOV = 2

NOCOV = 1

class bossdata.bits.**MANGA_DRP3QUAL**

Bases: object

Mask bits for MaNGA DRP-3d quality flags

VALIDFILE

int

(1<<0) File is valid

SKYSUBBAD

int

(1<<2) Bad sky subtraction in one or more frames

BADDEPTH

int

(1<<1) IFU does not reach target depth

BADOMEGA

int

(1<<6) Omega greater than threshold in one or more sets

BADSET

int

(1<<7) One or more sets are bad

CRITICAL

int

(1<<30) Critical failure in one or more frames

BADASTROM

int

(1<<4) Bad astrometry in one or more frames

VARIABLELSF

int

(1<<5) LSF varies signif. between component spectra

BADFLUX

int

(1<<8) Bad flux calibration

HIGHSCAT

int

(1<<3) High scattered light in one or more frames

BADASTROM = 16

BADDEPTH = 2

BADFLUX = 256

BADOMEGA = 64

BADSET = 128

CRITICAL = 1073741824

HIGHSCAT = 8

SKYSUBBAD = 4

VALIDFILE = 1

VARIABLELSF = 32

class bossdata.bits.**MANGA_TARGET1**

Bases: object

Mask bits identifying galaxy samples.

SECONDARY_COM2

int

(1<<8) July 2014 commissioning

PRIMARY_v1_1_0

int

(1<<4) First tag, August 2014 plates

NONE

int

(1<<0)

SECONDARY_v1_1_0

int

(1<<5) First tag, August 2014 plates

COLOR_ENHANCED_v1_1_0

int

(1<<6) First tag, August 2014 plates

PRIMARY_v1_2_0

int

(1<<10)

FILLER

int

(1<<13) Filler targets

SECONDARY_v1_2_0

int

(1<<11)

COLOR_ENHANCED_COM2
int
 (1<<9) July 2014 commissioning

COLOR_ENHANCED_COM
int
 (1<<3) March 2014 commissioning

PRIMARY_PLUS_COM
int
 (1<<1) March 2014 commissioning

ANCILLARY
int
 (1<<14) Ancillary program targets

SECONDARY_COM
int
 (1<<2) March 2014 commissioning

COLOR_ENHANCED_v1_2_0
int
 (1<<12)

PRIMARY_COM2
int
 (1<<7) July 2014 commissioning

ANCILLARY = 16384

COLOR_ENHANCED_COM = 8

COLOR_ENHANCED_COM2 = 512

COLOR_ENHANCED_v1_1_0 = 64

COLOR_ENHANCED_v1_2_0 = 4096

FILLER = 8192

NONE = 1

PRIMARY_COM2 = 128

PRIMARY_PLUS_COM = 2

PRIMARY_v1_1_0 = 16

PRIMARY_v1_2_0 = 1024

SECONDARY_COM = 4

SECONDARY_COM2 = 256

SECONDARY_v1_1_0 = 32

SECONDARY_v1_2_0 = 2048


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class bosssdata.bits.MANGA_TARGET2
    Bases: object

    Mask bits identifying non-galaxy samples.

    NONE
        int

        (1<<0)

    STD_WD_COM
        int

        (1<<21)

    STELLIB_2MASS_COM
        int

        (1<<3) Commissioning selection using 2MASS photometry

    STD_STD_COM
        int

        (1<<22)

    SKY
        int

        (1<<1)

    STELLIB_COM_mar2015
        int

        (1<<5) Commissioning selection in March 2015

    STELLIB_KNOWN_COM
        int

        (1<<4) Commissioning selection of known parameter stars

    STELLIB_SDSS_COM
        int

        (1<<2) Commissioning selection using SDSS photometry

    STD_APASS_COM
        int

        (1<<25) Commissioning selection of stds using APASS photometry

    STD_FSTAR
        int

        (1<<23)

    STD_FSTAR_COM
        int

        (1<<20)

    STD_WD
        int

        (1<<24)

    NONE = 1
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SKY = 2
STD_APASS_COM = 33554432
STD_FSTAR = 8388608
STD_FSTAR_COM = 1048576
STD_STD_COM = 4194304
STD_WD = 16777216
STD_WD_COM = 2097152
STELLIB_2MASS_COM = 8
STELLIB_COM_mar2015 = 32
STELLIB_KNOWN_COM = 16
STELLIB_SDSS_COM = 4

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class bossdata.bits.MANGA_TARGET3
    Bases: object

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Mask bits identifying ancillary samples.

AGN_WISE

int

(1<<3)

NONE

int

(1<<0)

DEEP_COMA

int

(1<<19)

LETTERS

int

(1<<11)

DWARF

int

(1<<14)

AGN_PALOMAR

int

(1<<4)

EDGE_ON_WINDS

int

(1<<6)

VOID

int

(1<<5)

BCG

int

(1<<17)

PAIR_RECENTER

int

(1<<8)

RADIO_JETS

int

(1<<15)

ANGST

int

(1<<18)

MWA

int

(1<<13)

AGN_OIII

int

(1<<2)

MASSIVE

int

(1<<12)

PAIR_ENLARGE

int

(1<<7)

PAIR_SIM

int

(1<<9)

DISKMASS

int

(1<<16)

AGN_BAT

int

(1<<1)

PAIR_2IFU

int

(1<<10)

AGN_BAT = 2

AGN_OIII = 4

AGN_PALOMAR = 16

AGN_WISE = 8

ANGST = 262144
BCG = 131072
DEEP_COMA = 524288
DISKMASS = 65536
DWARF = 16384
EDGE_ON_WINDS = 64
LETTERS = 2048
MASSIVE = 4096
MWA = 8192
NONE = 1
PAIR_2IFU = 1024
PAIR_ENLARGE = 128
PAIR_RECENTER = 256
PAIR_SIM = 512
RADIO_JETS = 32768
VOID = 32

class bossdata.bits.**M_EYEBALL**
 Bases: object

Eyeball flags for mergers in VAGC

QUESTIONABLE

int

(1<<2)

DRY

int

(1<<3)

MAJOR

int

(1<<7)

REPEAT

int

(1<<12)

MULTIPLE

int

(1<<8)

ALL_RED

int

(1<<9)

SHELLS*int*

(1<<5)

NOT_MERGER*int*

(1<<1)

TIDAL_TAILS*int*

(1<<4)

ALL_BLUE*int*

(1<<10)

AFTER*int*

(1<<15)

DONE*int*

(1<<0)

DURING*int*

(1<<14)

MIXED_REDBLUE*int*

(1<<11)

RING*int*

(1<<6)

BEFORE*int*

(1<<13)

AFTER = 32768**ALL_BLUE = 1024****ALL_RED = 512****BEFORE = 8192****DONE = 1****DRY = 8****DURING = 16384****MAJOR = 128****MIXED_REDBLUE = 2048**

MULTIPLE = 256

NOT_MERGER = 2

QUESTIONABLE = 4

REPEAT = 4096

RING = 64

SHELLS = 32

TIDAL_TAILS = 16

class `bosssdata.bits.OBJECT1`

Bases: `object`

Object flags from photo reductions for SDSS (first 32)

NOPROFILE

int

(1<<7) Frames couldn't extract a radial profile.

INTERP

int

(1<<17) The object contains interpolated pixels (e.g. cosmic rays or bad columns).

BRIGHT

int

(1<<1) Indicates that the object was detected as a bright object. Since these are typically remeasured as faint objects, most users can ignore BRIGHT objects.

DEBLENDED_AS_PSF

int

(1<<25) When deblending an object, in this band this child was treated as a PSF.

NOSTOKES

int

(1<<21) Object has no measured Stokes parameters.

BAD_RADIAL

int

(1<<15) Measured profile includes points with a S/N <= 0. In practice this flag is essentially meaningless.

PEAKCENTER

int

(1<<5) Given center is position of peak pixel, as attempts to determine a better centroid failed.

NOTCHECKED

int

(1<<19) Object includes pixels that were not checked for peaks, for example the unsmoothed edges of frames, and the cores of subtracted or saturated stars.

DEBLEND_TOO_MANY_PEAKS

int

(1<<11) The object had the OBJECT1_DEBLEND flag set, but it contained too many candidate children to be fully deblended. This flag is only set in the parent, i.e. the object with too many peaks.

TOO_LARGE*int*

(1<<24) The object is (as it says) too large. Either the object is still detectable at the outermost point of the extracted radial profile (a radius of approximately 260 arcsec), or when attempting to deblend an object, at least one child is larger than half a frame (in either row or column).

SATUR*int*

(1<<18) The object contains saturated pixels; INTERP is also set.

BADSKY*int*

(1<<22) The estimated sky level is so bad that the central value of the radial profile is crazily negative; this is usually the result of the subtraction of the wings of bright stars failing.

BINNED2*int*

(1<<29) The object was detected in a 2x2 binned image after all unbinned detections have been replaced by the background level.

CANONICAL_CENTER*int*

(1<<0) The quantities (psf counts, model fits and likelihoods) that are usually determined at an object's center as determined band-by-band were in fact determined at the canonical center (suitably transformed). This is due to the object being too close to the edge to extract a profile at the local center, and OBJECT1_EDGE is also set.

MANYPETRO*int*

(1<<9) Object has more than one possible Petrosian radius.

BINNED1*int*

(1<<28) The object was detected in an unbinned image.

CHILD*int*

(1<<4) Object is a child, created by the deblender.

NODEBLEND*int*

(1<<6) Although this object was marked as a blend, no deblending was attempted.

INCOMPLETE_PROFILE*int*

(1<<16) A circle, centered on the object, of radius the canonical Petrosian radius extends beyond the edge of the frame. The radial profile is still measured from those parts of the object that do lie on the frame.

DEBLEND_PRUNED*int*

(1<<26) When solving for the weights to be assigned to each child the deblender encountered a nearly singular matrix, and therefore deleted at least one of them.

PETROFAINT

int

(1<<23) At least one candidate Petrosian radius occurred at an unacceptably low surface brightness.

MOVED

int

(1<<31) The object appears to have moved during the exposure. Such objects are candidates to be de-blended as moving objects.

CR

int

(1<<12) Object contains at least one pixel which was contaminated by a cosmic ray. The OBJECT1_INTERP flag is also set. This flag does not mean that this object is a cosmic ray; rather it means that a cosmic ray has been removed.

BINNED4

int

(1<<30) The object was detected in a 4x4 binned image. The objects detected in the 2x2 binned image are not removed before doing this.

SUBTRACTED

int

(1<<20) Object (presumably a star) had wings subtracted.

ELLIPFAINT

int

(1<<27) No isophotal fits were performed.

MANYR90

int

(1<<14) More than one radius was found to contain 90% of the Petrosian flux. (For this to happen part of the radial profile must be negative).

MANYR50

int

(1<<13) More than one radius was found to contain 50% of the Petrosian flux. (For this to happen part of the radial profile must be negative).

EDGE

int

(1<<2) Object is too close to edge of frame in this band.

BLENDED

int

(1<<3) Object was determined to be a blend. The flag is set if: more than one peak is detected within an object in a single band together; distinct peaks are found when merging different colours of one object together; or distinct peaks result when merging different objects together.

NOPETRO_BIG

int

(1<<10) The Petrosian ratio has not fallen to the value at which the Petrosian radius is defined at the outermost point of the extracted radial profile. NOPETRO is set, and the Petrosian radius is set to the outermost point in the profile.

NOPETRO

int

(1<<8) No Petrosian radius or other Petrosian quantities could be measured.

BADSKY = 4194304

BAD_RADIAL = 32768

BINNED1 = 268435456

BINNED2 = 536870912

BINNED4 = 1073741824

BLENDED = 8

BRIGHT = 2

CANONICAL_CENTER = 1

CHILD = 16

CR = 4096

DEBLENDED_AS_PSF = 33554432

DEBLEND_PRUNED = 67108864

DEBLEND_TOO_MANY_PEAKE = 2048

EDGE = 4

ELLIPFAINT = 134217728

INCOMPLETE_PROFILE = 65536

INTERP = 131072

MANYPETRO = 512

MANYR50 = 8192

MANYR90 = 16384

MOVED = 2147483648

NODEBLEND = 64

NOPETRO = 256

NOPETRO_BIG = 1024

NOPROFILE = 128

NOSTOKES = 2097152

NOTCHECKED = 524288

PEAKCENTER = 32

PETROFAINT = 8388608

SATUR = 262144

SUBTRACTED = 1048576

TOO_LARGE = 16777216

class `bosssdata.bits.OBJECT2`

Bases: `object`

Object flags from photo reductions for SDSS (second 32)

AMOMENT_UNWEIGHTED

int

(1<<21) ‘Adaptive’ moments are actually unweighted.

HAS_SATUR_DN

int

(1<<27) This object is saturated in this band and the bleed trail doesn’t touch the edge of the frame, we we’ve made an attempt to add up all the flux in the bleed trails, and to include it in the object’s photometry.

DEBLEND_PEEPHOLE

int

(1<<28) The deblend was modified by the optimizer

BAD_MOVING_FIT_CHILD

int

(1<<9) A putative moving child’s velocity fit was too poor, so it was discarded, and the parent was not deblended as moving

NOTCHECKED_CENTER

int

(1<<26) Center of object lies in a NOTCHECKED region. The object is almost certainly bogus.

LOCAL_EDGE

int

(1<<7) The object’s center in some band was too close to the edge of the frame to extract a profile.

DEBLENDED_AS_MOVING

int

(1<<0) The object has the MOVED flag set, and was deblended on the assumption that it was moving.

SATUR_CENTER

int

(1<<11) An object’s center is very close to at least one saturated pixel; the object may well be causing the saturation.

INTERP_CENTER

int

(1<<12) An object’s center is very close to at least one interpolated pixel.

AMOMENT_MAXITER

int

(1<<23) Too many iterations while determining adaptive moments.

BAD_MOVING_FIT

int

(1<<3) The fit to the object as a moving object is too bad to be believed.

AMOMENT_SHIFT

int

(1<<22) Object's center moved too far while determining adaptive moments. In this case, the M_e1 and M_e2 give the (row, column) shift, not the object's shape.

DEBLEND_NOPEAK

int

(1<<14) A child had no detected peak in a given band, but we centroided it anyway and set the BINNED1

STATIONARY

int

(1<<4) A moving objects velocity is consistent with zero

PSF_FLUX_INTERP

int

(1<<15) The fraction of light actually detected (as opposed to guessed at by the interpolator) was less than some number (currently 80%) of the total.

MAYBE_EGHOST

int

(1<<25) Object appears in the right place to be an electronics ghost.

DEBLENDED_AT_EDGE

int

(1<<13) An object so close to the edge of the frame that it would not ordinarily be deblended has been deblended anyway. Only set for objects large enough to be EDGE in all fields/strips.

CENTER_OFF_AIMAGE

int

(1<<17) At least one peak's center lay off the atlas image in some band. This can happen when the object's being deblended as moving, or if the astrometry is badly confused.

MAYBE_CR

int

(1<<24) This object may be a cosmic ray. This bit can get set in the cores of bright stars, and is quite likely to be set for the cores of saturated stars.

NODEBLEND_MOVING

int

(1<<1) The object has the MOVED flag set, but was not deblended as a moving object.

BRIGHTEST_GALAXY_CHILD

int

(1<<19) This is the brightest child galaxy in a blend.

DEBLEND_DEGENERATE

int

(1<<18) At least one potential child has been pruned because its template was too similar to some other child's template.

TOO_FEW_GOOD_DETECTIONS

int

(1<<16) A child of this object had too few good detections to be deblended as moving.

BINNED_CENTER

int

(1<<6) When centroiding the object the object's size is larger than the (PSF) filter used to smooth the image.

DEBLEND_UNASSIGNED_FLUX

int

(1<<10) After deblending, the fraction of flux assigned to none of the children was too large (this flux is then shared out as described elsewhere).

BAD_COUNTS_ERROR

int

(1<<8) An object containing interpolated pixels had too few good pixels to form a reliable estimate of its error

SPARE1

int

(1<<31)

PEAKS_TOO_CLOSE

int

(1<<5) Peaks in object were too close (set only in parent objects).

SPARE3

int

(1<<29)

SPARE2

int

(1<<30)

TOO_FEW_DETECTIONS

int

(1<<2) The object has the MOVED flag set, but has too few detection to be deblended as moving.

CANONICAL_BAND

int

(1<<20) This band was the canonical band. This is the band used to measure the Petrosian radius used to calculate the Petrosian counts in each band, and to define the model used to calculate model colors; it has no effect upon the coordinate system used for the OBJC center.

AMOMENT_MAXITER = 8388608

AMOMENT_SHIFT = 4194304

AMOMENT_UNWEIGHTED = 2097152

BAD_COUNTS_ERROR = 256

BAD_MOVING_FIT = 8

BAD_MOVING_FIT_CHILD = 512

BINNED_CENTER = 64

BRIGHTEST_GALAXY_CHILD = 524288

CANONICAL_BAND = 1048576

CENTER_OFF_AIMAGE = 131072

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DEBLENDED_AS_MOVING = 1
DEBLENDED_AT_EDGE = 8192
DEBLEND_DEGENERATE = 262144
DEBLEND_NOPEAK = 16384
DEBLEND_PEEPHOLE = 268435456
DEBLEND_UNASSIGNED_FLUX = 1024
HAS_SATUR_DN = 134217728
INTERP_CENTER = 4096
LOCAL_EDGE = 128
MAYBE_CR = 16777216
MAYBE_EGHOST = 33554432
NODEBLEND_MOVING = 2
NOTCHECKED_CENTER = 67108864
PEAKS_TOO_CLOSE = 32
PSF_FLUX_INTERP = 32768
SATUR_CENTER = 2048
SPARE1 = 2147483648
SPARE2 = 1073741824
SPARE3 = 536870912
STATIONARY = 16
TOO_FEW_DETECTIONS = 4
TOO_FEW_GOOD_DETECTIONS = 65536

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```
class bosssdata.bits.Q_EYEBALL
```

```
Bases: object
```

```
Quality eyeball flags from VAGC
```

```
GOOD_Z
```

```
int
```

```
(1<<26)
```

```
QSO_ON_GALAXY
```

```
int
```

```
(1<<18)
```

```
BAD_DEBLEND
```

```
int
```

```
(1<<4)
```

```
UNCLASSIFIABLE
```

```
int
```

```
(1<<2)
```

DONE
int
 (1<<0)

USE_PARENT
int
 (1<<15)

SATELLITE
int
 (1<<10)

DOUBLE_Z
int
 (1<<23)

USE_CHILD_IMAGE
int
 (1<<27)

IS_STAR
int
 (1<<22)

USE_CHILD_SPECTRUM
int
 (1<<28)

IN_HUGE_OBJECT
int
 (1<<16)

BAD_SPEC_CLASS
int
 (1<<14)

DOUBLE_STAR
int
 (1<<6)

HII
int
 (1<<7)

BAD_SPECTRUM
int
 (1<<20)

BAD_PARENT_CENTER
int
 (1<<25)

INTERNAL_REFLECTION*int*

(1<<13)

EDGE*int*

(1<<9)

OTHER*int*

(1<<1)

FLECK*int*

(1<<5)

BAD_Z*int*

(1<<12)

POSSIBLE_LENS*int*

(1<<21)

USE_ANYWAY*int*

(1<<8)

NEED_BIGGER_IMAGE*int*

(1<<3)

STAR_ON_GALAXY*int*

(1<<17)

PLANETARY_NEBULA*int*

(1<<24)

PLANE*int*

(1<<11)

NEGATIVE_QSO_FIT*int*

(1<<19)

BAD_DEBLEND = 16**BAD_PARENT_CENTER = 33554432****BAD_SPECTRUM = 1048576****BAD_SPEC_CLASS = 16384**

BAD_Z = 4096
DONE = 1
DOUBLE_STAR = 64
DOUBLE_Z = 8388608
EDGE = 512
FLECK = 32
GOOD_Z = 67108864
HII = 128
INTERNAL_REFLECTION = 8192
IN_HUGE_OBJECT = 65536
IS_STAR = 4194304
NEED_BIGGER_IMAGE = 8
NEGATIVE_QSO_FIT = 524288
OTHER = 2
PLANE = 2048
PLANETARY_NEBULA = 16777216
POSSIBLE_LENS = 2097152
QSO_ON_GALAXY = 262144
SATELLITE = 1024
STAR_ON_GALAXY = 131072
UNCLASSIFIABLE = 4
USE_ANYWAY = 256
USE_CHILD_IMAGE = 134217728
USE_CHILD_SPECTRUM = 268435456
USE_PARENT = 32768

class `bosssdata.bits.RESOLVE_STATUS`

Bases: `object`

Resolve status for an SDSS catalog entry. Only one of bits `RUN_PRIMARY`, `RUN_RAMP`, `RUN_OVERLAPONLY`, `RUN_IGNORE`, and `RUN_DUPLICATE` can be set. `RUN_EDGE` can be set for any object. To get a unique set of objects across the whole survey, search for objects with `SURVEY_PRIMARY` set. To get a unique set of objects within a run, search for objects with `RUN_PRIMARY` set.

SURVEY_BADFIELD

int

(1<<11) In field with score=0

RUN_EDGE

int

(1<<4) near lowest or highest column

RUN_OVERLAPONLY*int*

(1<<2) only appears in the overlap between two fields

SURVEY_PRIMARY*int*

(1<<8) Primary observation within the full survey, where it appears in the primary observation of this part of the sky

RUN_IGNORE*int*

(1<<3) bright or parent object that should be ignored

RUN_PRIMARY*int*

(1<<0) primary within the objects own run (but not necessarily for the survey as a whole)

SURVEY_BEST*int*

(1<<9) Best observation within the full survey, but it does not appear in the primary observation of this part of the sky

SURVEY_SECONDARY*int*

(1<<10) Repeat (independent) observation of an object that has a different primary or best observation

RUN_DUPLICATE*int*

(1<<5) duplicate measurement of same pixels in two different fields

SURVEY_EDGE*int*

(1<<12) Not kept as secondary because it is RUN_RAMP or RUN_EDGE object

RUN_RAMP*int*

(1<<1) in what would be the overlap area of a field, but with no neighboring field

RUN_DUPLICATE = 32**RUN_EDGE = 16****RUN_IGNORE = 8****RUN_OVERLAPONLY = 4****RUN_PRIMARY = 1****RUN_RAMP = 2****SURVEY_BADFIELD = 2048****SURVEY_BEST = 512****SURVEY_EDGE = 4096****SURVEY_PRIMARY = 256****SURVEY_SECONDARY = 1024**

class `bosssdata.bits.SEGUE1_TARGET`

Bases: `object`

SEGUE-1 primary target bits

SEGUE1_BHB

int

(1<<13) blue horizontal branch star

SEGUE1_AGB

int

(1<<23) asympototic giant branch stars

SEGUE1_MSWD

int

(1<<12) main-sequence, white dwarf pair

SEG1LOW_TO

int

(1<<11) low latitude selection of bluetip stars

SEGUE1_SDM

int

(1<<22) M sub-dwarfs

SEGUE1_BD

int

(1<<21) brown dwarfs

SEGUE1_LM

int

(1<<16) low metallicity star

SEGUE1_WD

int

(1<<19) white dwarf

SEGUE1_MAN

int

(1<<24) manual selection

SEG1LOW_KG

int

(1<<10) low latitude selection of K-giant stars

SEGUE1_CHECKED

int

(1<<31) was a checked object

SEGUE1_CWD

int

(1<<17) cool white dwarf

SEGUE1_MPMSTO*int*

(1<<20) metal-poor main sequence turn-off

SEG1LOW_AGB*int*

(1<<27) low latitude selection of AGB stars

SEGUE1_GD*int*

(1<<18) G-dwarf

SEGUE1_FG*int*(1<<9) F and G stars, based on g-r color ($0.2 < g-r < 0.48$ and $14 < g < 20.2$)**SEGUE1_KD***int*

(1<<15) K-dwarfs

SEGUE1_KG*int*

(1<<14) K-giants (l and red)

SEG1LOW_AGB = 134217728**SEG1LOW_KG = 1024****SEG1LOW_TO = 2048****SEGUE1_AGB = 8388608****SEGUE1_BD = 2097152****SEGUE1_BHB = 8192****SEGUE1_CHECKED = 2147483648****SEGUE1_CWD = 131072****SEGUE1_FG = 512****SEGUE1_GD = 262144****SEGUE1_KD = 32768****SEGUE1_KG = 16384****SEGUE1_LM = 65536****SEGUE1_MAN = 16777216****SEGUE1_MPMSTO = 1048576****SEGUE1_MSWD = 4096****SEGUE1_SDM = 4194304****SEGUE1_WD = 524288**

class `bosssdata.bits.SEGUE1_TARGET2`

Bases: `object`

SEGUE-1 secondary target bits

SEGUE1_SCIENCE

int

(1<<30) SEGUE-1 science target

SPECTROPHOTO_STD

int

(1<<5) spectrophotometry standard (typically an F-star)

SKY

int

(1<<4) sky target

REDDEN_STD

int

(1<<1) reddening standard star

SEGUE1_QA

int

(1<<3) QA Duplicate Observations (unused)

SEGUE1_TEST

int

(1<<31) SEGUE-1 test target

REDDEN_STD = 2

SEGUE1_QA = 8

SEGUE1_SCIENCE = 1073741824

SEGUE1_TEST = 2147483648

SKY = 16

SPECTROPHOTO_STD = 32

class `bosssdata.bits.SEGUE2_TARGET1`

Bases: `object`

SEGUE-2 primary target bits

SEGUE2_MSTO

int

(1<<0) Main-sequence turnoff

SEGUE2_CHECKED

int

(1<<31) was a checked object

SEGUE2_REDKG

int

(1<<1) Red K-giant stars

SEGUE2_PMKG*int*

(1<<3) K-giant star identified by proper motions

SEGUE2_BHB*int*

(1<<13) Blue horizontal branch star

SEGUE2_CWD*int*

(1<<17) Cool white dwarf

SEGUE2_HVS*int*

(1<<5) hyper velocity candidate

SEGUE2_LKG*int*

(1<<2) K-giant star identified by l-color

SEGUE2_MII*int*

(1<<7) M giant

SEGUE2_XDM*int*

(1<<6) extreme sdM star

SEGUE2_HHV*int*

(1<<8) High-velocity halo star candidate

SEGUE2_LM*int*

(1<<4) Low metallicity

SEGUE2_BHB = 8192**SEGUE2_CHECKED = 2147483648****SEGUE2_CWD = 131072****SEGUE2_HHV = 256****SEGUE2_HVS = 32****SEGUE2_LKG = 4****SEGUE2_LM = 16****SEGUE2_MII = 128****SEGUE2_MSTO = 1****SEGUE2_PMKG = 8****SEGUE2_REDKG = 2****SEGUE2_XDM = 64**

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class bossdata.bits.SEGUE2_TARGET2
    Bases: object

    SEGUE2 secondary target bits

    SEGUE2_CHECKED
        int

        (1<<31) was a checked object

    SEGUE2_REDDENING
        int

        (1<<1) reddening standard

    SEGUE2_SPECPHOTO
        int

        (1<<5) spectrophotometric star

    SEGUE2_CLUSTER
        int

        (1<<10) SEGUE-2 stellar cluster target

    QUALITY_HOLE
        int

        (1<<8) quality hole

    SKY
        int

        (1<<4) empty area for sky-subtraction

    BUNDLE_HOLE
        int

        (1<<7) bundle hole

    HOT_STD
        int

        (1<<9) hot standard

    GUIDE_STAR
        int

        (1<<6) guide star

    SEGUE2_STETSON
        int

        (1<<11) Stetson standard target

    SEGUE2_QA
        int

        (1<<3) repeat target across plates

    LIGHT_TRAP
        int

        (1<<0) light trap hole
```

SEGUE2_TEST

int

(1<<2) test target

BUNDLE_HOLE = 128

GUIDE_STAR = 64

HOT_STD = 512

LIGHT_TRAP = 1

QUALITY_HOLE = 256

SEGUE2_CHECKED = 2147483648

SEGUE2_CLUSTER = 1024

SEGUE2_QA = 8

SEGUE2_REDDENING = 2

SEGUE2_SPECPHOTO = 32

SEGUE2_STETSON = 2048

SEGUE2_TEST = 4

SKY = 16

class `bosssdata.bits.SPECIAL_TARGET1`

Bases: `object`

SDSS special program target bits

ALLPSF_NONSTELLAR

int

(1<<32) i<19.1 point sources off stellar locus

U_EXTRA

int

(1<<23) extra u-band target

FAINT_QSO

int

(1<<26) faint QSO in south

ORION_BD

int

(1<<12) Brown dwarf in Orion

BCG

int

(1<<10) brightest cluster galaxy

ORION_MSTAR_LATE

int

(1<<14) Late-type M-star (M4-) in Orion

FAINT_LRG

int

(1<<25) faint LRG in south

COMMISSIONING_STAR

int

(1<<3) star in commissioning

FSTAR

int

(1<<5) F-stars

DEEP_GALAXY_RED

int

(1<<8) deep LRG

ALLPSF_STELLAR

int

(1<<33) i<19.1 point sources on stellar locus

PREBOSS_QSO

int

(1<<17) QSO for pre-BOSS observations

LOWZ_ANNIS

int

(1<<1) low-redshift cluster galaxy

VARIABLE_LOPRI

int

(1<<30) low priority variable

TAURUS_GALAXY

int

(1<<36) galaxy on taurus or reddening plate

PREMARVELS

int

(1<<19) pre-MARVELS stellar target

U_EXTRA2

int

(1<<24) extra u-band target

BENT_RADIO

int

(1<<27) bent double-lobed radio source

LOWZ_GALAXY

int

(1<<7) low-redshift galaxy

TAURUS_STAR*int*

(1<<35) star on taurus or reddening plate

SOUTHERN_COMPLETE*int*

(1<<21) completion in south of main targets

PERSEUS*int*

(1<<37) galaxy in perseus-pisces

MSTURNOFF*int*

(1<<11) main sequence turnoff

LOWZ_LOVEDAY*int*

(1<<38) low redshift galaxy selected by Loveday

ALLPSF*int*(1<<31) $i < 19.1$ point sources**HIPM***int*

(1<<34) high proper motion

DISKSTAR*int*

(1<<4) thin/thick disk star

SPECIAL_FILLER*int*

(1<<15) filler from completeTile, check primtarget for details

U_PRIORITY*int*

(1<<22) priority u-band target

APBIAS*int*

(1<<0) aperture bias target

QSO_M31*int*

(1<<2) QSO in M31

STRAIGHT_RADIO*int*

(1<<28) straight double-lobed radio source

SOUTHERN_EXTENDED*int*

(1<<20) simple extension of southern targets

PREBOSS_LRG*int*

(1<<18) QSO for pre-BOSS observations

PHOTOZ_GALAXY*int*

(1<<16) test galaxy for photometric redshifts

HYADES_MSTAR*int*

(1<<6) M-star in Hyades

VARIABLE_HIPRI*int*

(1<<29) high priority variable

DEEP_GALAXY_RED_II*int*

(1<<9) deep LRG

ORION_MSTAR_EARLY*int*

(1<<13) Early-type M-star (M0-3) in Orion

ALLPSF = 2147483648**ALLPSF_NONSTELLAR = 4294967296****ALLPSF_STELLAR = 8589934592****APBIAS = 1****BCG = 1024****BENT_RADIO = 134217728****COMMISSIONING_STAR = 8****DEEP_GALAXY_RED = 256****DEEP_GALAXY_RED_II = 512****DISKSTAR = 16****FAINT_LRG = 33554432****FAINT_QSO = 67108864****FSTAR = 32****HIPM = 17179869184****HYADES_MSTAR = 64****LOWZ_ANNIS = 2****LOWZ_GALAXY = 128**

LOWZ_LOVEDAY = 274877906944
MSTURNOFF = 2048
ORION_BD = 4096
ORION_MSTAR_EARLY = 8192
ORION_MSTAR_LATE = 16384
PERSEUS = 137438953472
PHOTOZ_GALAXY = 65536
PREBOSS_LRG = 262144
PREBOSS_QSO = 131072
PREMARVELS = 524288
QSO_M31 = 4
SOUTHERN_COMPLETE = 2097152
SOUTHERN_EXTENDED = 1048576
SPECIAL_FILLER = 32768
STRAIGHT_RADIO = 268435456
TAURUS_GALAXY = 68719476736
TAURUS_STAR = 34359738368
U_EXTRA = 8388608
U_EXTRA2 = 16777216
U_PRIORITY = 4194304
VARIABLE_HIPRI = 536870912
VARIABLE_LOPRI = 1073741824

`class bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK`

Bases: `object`

Mask bits for an SDSS spectrum. 0-15 refer to each fiber, 16-31 refer to each pixel in a spectrum.

BRIGHTSKY

int

(1<<23) Sky level > flux + 10*(flux_err) AND sky > 1.25 * median(sky,99 pixels)

SMEARHIGHSN

int

(1<<11) S/N sufficient for full smear fit

MANYBADCOLUMNS

int

(1<<4) More than 10% of pixels are bad columns

BADARC

int

(1<<3) Bad arc solution

REDMONSTER

int

(1<<28) Contiguous region of bad χ^2 in sky residuals (with threshold of relative $\chi^2 > 3$).

BADTRACE

int

(1<<1) Bad trace from routine TRACE320CRUDE

FULLREJECT

int

(1<<18) Pixel fully rejected in extraction (INVVAR=0)

NOPLUG

int

(1<<0) Fiber not listed in plugmap file

NEARWHOPPER

int

(1<<8) Within 2 fibers of a whopping fiber (exclusive)

MANYREJECTED

int

(1<<5) More than 10% of pixels are rejected in extraction

LARGESHIFT

int

(1<<6) Large spatial shift between flat and object position

NOSKY

int

(1<<22) Sky level unknown at this wavelength (INVVAR=0)

WHOPPER

int

(1<<9) Whopping fiber, with a very bright source.

BADFLUXFACTOR

int

(1<<26) Low flux-calibration or flux-correction factor

CROSSTALK

int

(1<<21) Cross-talk significant

SMEARIMAGE

int

(1<<10) Smear available for red and blue cameras

COMBINEREJ

int

(1<<25) Rejected in combine B-spline

BADSKYFIBER*int*

(1<<7) Sky fiber shows extreme residuals

PARTIALREJECT*int*

(1<<19) Some pixels rejected in extraction

LOWFLAT*int*

(1<<17) Flat field less than 0.5

NODATA*int*

(1<<24) No data available in combine B-spline (INVVAR=0)

BADSKYCHI*int*(1<<27) Relative $\chi^2 > 3$ in sky residuals at this wavelength**SCATTEREDLIGHT***int*

(1<<20) Scattered light significant

NEARBADPIXEL*int*

(1<<16) Bad pixel within 3 pixels of trace.

BADFLAT*int*

(1<<2) Low counts in fiberflat

SMEARMEDSN*int*

(1<<12) S/N only sufficient for scaled median fit

BADARC = 8**BADFLAT = 4****BADFLUXFACTOR = 67108864****BADSKYCHI = 134217728****BADSKYFIBER = 128****BADTRACE = 2****BRIGHTSKY = 8388608****COMBINEREJ = 33554432****CROSSTALK = 2097152****FULLREJECT = 262144****LARGESHIFT = 64****LOWFLAT = 131072**

MANYBADCOLUMNS = 16
MANYREJECTED = 32
NEARBADPIXEL = 65536
NEARWHOPPER = 256
NODATA = 16777216
NOPLUG = 1
NOSKY = 4194304
PARTIALREJECT = 524288
REDMONSTER = 268435456
SCATTEREDLIGHT = 1048576
SMEARHIGHSN = 2048
SMEARIMAGE = 1024
SMEARMEDSN = 4096
WHOPPER = 512

class bosssdata.bits.**TARGET**

Bases: object

Primary target mask bits in SDSS-I, -II (for LEGACY_TARGET1 or PRIMTARGET).

QSO_FIRST_SKIRT

int

(1<<4) FIRST source with stellar colors at low Galactic latitude

QSO_CAP

int

(1<<1) ugri-selected quasar at high Galactic latitude

GALAXY_RED

int

(1<<5) Luminous Red Galaxy target (any criteria)

STAR_CARBON

int

(1<<14) dwarf and giant carbon stars

STAR_WHITE_DWARF

int

(1<<19) hot white dwarfs

GALAXY_RED_II

int

(1<<26) Luminous Red Galaxy target (Cut II criteria)

GALAXY_BIG

int

(1<<7) Low-surface brightness main sample galaxy ($\mu_{50} > 23$ in r-band)

GALAXY_BRIGHT_CORE

int

(1<<8) Galaxy targets who fail all the surface brightness selection limits but have r-band fiber magnitudes brighter than 19

SERENDIP_MANUAL

int

(1<<24) manual serendipity flag

STAR_SUB_DWARF

int

(1<<16) low-luminosity subdwarfs

QSO_FIRST_CAP

int

(1<<3) FIRST source with stellar colors at high Galactic latitude

QSO_SKIRT

int

(1<<2) ugri-selected quasar at low Galactic latitude

STAR_PN

int

(1<<28) central stars of planetary nebulae

STAR_BHB

int

(1<<13) blue horizontal-branch stars

QSO_HIZ

int

(1<<0) High-redshift (griz) QSO target

STAR_BROWN_DWARF

int

(1<<15) brown dwarfs (note this sample is tiled)

SERENDIP_FIRST

int

(1<<21) coincident with FIRST sources but fainter than the equivalent in quasar target selection (also includes non-PSF sources)

SOUTHERN_SURVEY

int

(1<<31) Set in primtarget if this is a special program target

STAR_RED_DWARF

int

(1<<18) red dwarfs

STAR_CATY_VAR

int

(1<<17) cataclysmic variables

QSO_REJECT

int

(1<<29) Object in explicitly excluded region of color space, therefore not targeted at QSO

GALAXY

int

(1<<6) Main sample galaxy

SERENDIP_RED

int

(1<<22) lying outside the stellar locus in color space

SERENDIP_DISTANT

int

(1<<23) lying outside the stellar locus in color space

QSO_MAG_OUTLIER

int

(1<<25) Stellar outlier; too faint or too bright to be targeted

ROSAT_A

int

(1<<9) ROSAT All-Sky Survey match, also a radio source

ROSAT_C

int

(1<<11) ROSAT All-Sky Survey match, fall in a broad intermediate category that includes stars that are bright, moderately blue, or both

ROSAT_B

int

(1<<10) ROSAT All-Sky Survey match, have SDSS colors of AGNs or quasars

ROSAT_E

int

(1<<27) ROSAT All-Sky Survey match, but too faint or too bright for SDSS spectroscopy

ROSAT_D

int

(1<<12) ROSAT All-Sky Survey match, are otherwise bright enough for SDSS spectroscopy

SERENDIP_BLUE

int

(1<<20) lying outside the stellar locus in color space

GALAXY = 64

GALAXY_BIG = 128

GALAXY_BRIGHT_CORE = 256

GALAXY_RED = 32

GALAXY_RED_II = 67108864

QSO_CAP = 2

QSO_FIRST_CAP = 8
QSO_FIRST_SKIRT = 16
QSO_HIZ = 1
QSO_MAG_OUTLIER = 33554432
QSO_REJECT = 536870912
QSO_SKIRT = 4
ROSAT_A = 512
ROSAT_B = 1024
ROSAT_C = 2048
ROSAT_D = 4096
ROSAT_E = 134217728
SERENDIP_BLUE = 1048576
SERENDIP_DISTANT = 8388608
SERENDIP_FIRST = 2097152
SERENDIP_MANUAL = 16777216
SERENDIP_RED = 4194304
SOUTHERN_SURVEY = 2147483648
STAR_BHB = 8192
STAR_BROWN_DWARF = 32768
STAR_CARBON = 16384
STAR_CATY_VAR = 131072
STAR_PN = 268435456
STAR_RED_DWARF = 262144
STAR_SUB_DWARF = 65536
STAR_WHITE_DWARF = 524288

class bosssdata.bits.**TTARGET**

Bases: object

Secondary target mask bits in SDSS-I, -II (for LEGACY_TARGET2, SPECIAL_TARGET2 or SECTARGET).

HOT_STD

int

(1<<9) hot standard star

BUNDLE_HOLE

int

(1<<7) fiber bundle hole

SPECTROPHOTO_STD

int

(1<<5) spectrophotometry standard (typically an F-star)

QUALITY_HOLE*int*

(1<<8) hole drilled for plate shop quality measurements

SKY*int*

(1<<4) sky target

SOUTHERN_SURVEY*int*

(1<<31) a segue or southern survey target

QA*int*

(1<<3) quality assurance target

GUIDE_STAR*int*

(1<<6) guide star hole

REDDEN_STD*int*

(1<<1) reddening standard star

TEST_TARGET*int*

(1<<2) a test target

LIGHT_TRAP*int*

(1<<0) hole drilled for bright star, to avoid scattered light

BUNDLE_HOLE = 128**GUIDE_STAR = 64****HOT_STD = 512****LIGHT_TRAP = 1****QA = 8****QUALITY_HOLE = 256****REDDEN_STD = 2****SKY = 16****SOUTHERN_SURVEY = 2147483648****SPECTROPHOTO_STD = 32****TEST_TARGET = 4****class** bosssdata.bits.**T_EYEBALL**

Bases: object

Type eyeball flags from VAGC

BAR*int*

(1<<18)

PSF*int*

(1<<13)

S0*int*

(1<<7)

UNCLASSIFIABLE*int*

(1<<2)

OUTFLOW*int*

(1<<27)

DONE*int*

(1<<0)

DUST_LANE*int*

(1<<17)

RING*int*

(1<<19)

UNUSED_0*int*

(1<<6)

DISK*int*

(1<<4)

TIDAL_TAILS*int*

(1<<20)

MERGER*int*

(1<<26)

HII_REGIONS*int*

(1<<15)

NEAR_NEIGHBORS

int

(1<<25)

IRREGULAR

int

(1<<5)

ASYMMETRIC

int

(1<<14)

OTHER

int

(1<<1)

DUST_ASYMMETRY

int

(1<<24)

SPIRAL_STRUCTURE

int

(1<<16)

PITCH_4

int

(1<<12) openly wound

SHELLS

int

(1<<21)

PITCH_0

int

(1<<8) tightly wound

PITCH_1

int

(1<<9)

PITCH_2

int

(1<<10)

PITCH_3

int

(1<<11)

WARPED_DISK

int

(1<<23)

ELLIPTICAL

int

(1<<3)

BLUE_CORE

int

(1<<22)

ASYMMETRIC = 16384

BAR = 262144

BLUE_CORE = 4194304

DISK = 16

DONE = 1

DUST_ASYMMETRY = 16777216

DUST_LANE = 131072

ELLIPTICAL = 8

HII_REGIONS = 32768

IRREGULAR = 32

MERGER = 67108864

NEAR_NEIGHBORS = 33554432

OTHER = 2

OUTFLOW = 134217728

PITCH_0 = 256

PITCH_1 = 512

PITCH_2 = 1024

PITCH_3 = 2048

PITCH_4 = 4096

PSF = 8192

RING = 524288

S0 = 128

SHELLS = 2097152

SPIRAL_STRUCTURE = 65536

TIDAL_TAILS = 1048576

UNCLASSIFIABLE = 4

UNUSED_0 = 64

WARPED_DISK = 8388608

class bosssdata.bits.VAGC_SELECT

Bases: object

Selection flags for Main VAGC sample

MAIN*int*

(1<<2) selected according to slightly adjusted Main sample criteria

PLATEHOLE*int*

(1<<1) selected because near a hole on an SDSS plate

TILED*int*

(1<<0) selected because near a tiled target

MAIN = 4**PLATEHOLE = 2****TILED = 1****class** bosssdata.bits.**ZWARNING**

Bases: object

Warnings for SDSS spectra.

SMALL_DELTA_CHI2*int*

(1<<2) chi-squared of best fit is too close to that of second best (<0.01 in reduced chi-squared)

LITTLE_COVERAGE*int*

(1<<1) too little wavelength coverage (WCOVERAGE < 0.18)

NEGATIVE_EMISSION*int*

(1<<6) a QSO line exhibits negative emission, triggered only in QSO spectra, if C_IV, C_III, Mg_II, H_beta, or H_alpha has LINEAREA + 3 * LINEAREA_ERR < 0

BAD_TARGET*int*

(1<<8) catastrophically bad targeting data (e.g. ASTROMBAD in CALIB_STATUS)

NEGATIVE_MODEL*int*

(1<<3) synthetic spectrum is negative (only set for stars and QSOs)

SKY*int*

(1<<0) sky fiber

Z_FITLIMIT*int*

(1<<5) chi-squared minimum at edge of the redshift fitting range (Z_ERR set to -1)

MANY_OUTLIERS*int*

(1<<4) fraction of points more than 5 sigma away from best model is too large (>0.05)

NODATA
int

(1<<9) No data for this fiber, e.g. because spectrograph was broken during this exposure (ivar=0 for all pixels)

UNPLUGGED
int

(1<<7) the fiber was unplugged, so no spectrum obtained

BAD_TARGET = 256
LITTLE_COVERAGE = 2
MANY_OUTLIERS = 16
NEGATIVE_EMISSION = 64
NEGATIVE_MODEL = 8
NODATA = 512
SKY = 1
SMALL_DELTA_CHI2 = 4
UNPLUGGED = 128
Z_FITLIMIT = 32

`bossdata.bits.bitmask_from_text(mask, text)`

Initialize a bitmask from text.

Builds an integer value from text containing bit names that should be set. The complement of `decode_bitmask()`. For example:

```
>>> COLORS = define_bitmask('COLORS', 'Primary colors', RED=0, BLUE=1, GREEN=4)
>>> '{0:b}'.format(bitmask_from_text(COLORS, 'GREEN|BLUE'))
'10010'
```

Parameters

- **mask** – A bitmask type, normally created with `create_bitmask()`, that defines the symbolic bit names that are allowed.
- **text** – A list of bit names separated by '|’.

Returns Integer with bits set for each bit name appearing in the text.

Return type `int`

Raises `ValueError` – invalid text specification.

`bossdata.bits.decode_bitmask(mask, value, strict=True)`

Decode a integer value into its symbolic bit names.

Use this function to convert a bitmask value into a list of symbolic bit names, for example:

```
>>> COLORS = define_bitmask('COLORS', 'Primary colors', RED=0, BLUE=1, GREEN=4)
>>> decode_bitmask(COLORS, COLORS.RED|COLORS.BLUE)
('RED', 'BLUE')
```

For pretty printing, try:

```
>>> print(''.join(decode_bitmask(COLORS, COLORS.RED | COLORS.BLUE)))
RED|BLUE
```

Parameters

- **mask** – A bitmask type, normally created with `create_bitmask()`, that defines the symbolic bit names to use for the decoding.
- **value** (*int*) – The integral value to decode.
- **strict** (*bool*) – If set, then all bits set in value must be defined in the bitmask type definition.

Returns A tuple of symbolic bit names in order of increasing bit offset. If strict is False, then any bits without corresponding symbolic names will appear as 'l<n' for offset n.

Return type tuple

Raises

- `AttributeError` – mask does not have the attributes necessary to define a bitmask.
- `ValueError` – value has a bit set that has no symbolic name defined and strict is True.

`bosssdata.bits.define_bitmask(mask_name, mask_description, **bits)`

Define a new type for a bitmask with specified symbolic bit names.

After defining a bitmask type, its bit names are accessible as class-level attributes of the returned type and can be used as integer values, for example:

```
>>> COLORS = define_bitmask('COLORS', 'Primary Colors', RED=0, BLUE=1, GREEN=4)
>>> COLORS.BLUE
2
>>> '{0:b}'.format(COLORS.RED | COLORS.GREEN)
'10001'
```

The `decode_bitmask()` function is useful for converting an integral value back to a list of symbolic bit names.

Parameters

- **mask_name** (*str*) – The type name for this mask. By convention, this name is upper case and matches the name assigned to this function's return value, as in the examples above.
- **mask_description** (*str*) – A description of this bit mask that will be available as the docstring of the new defined type.
- **bits** (*dict*) – A dictionary of name,definition pairs that define the mapping from symbolic bit names to bit offsets and optional comments. Although this argument can be passed as a dictionary, the dictionary is usually implicitly defined by the argument list, as in the examples above. By convention, bit names are all upper case. Each bit definition can either be specified as an integer offset ≥ 0 or else an (offset,description) tuple.

Returns A new type with the specified name that has class-level attributes for each named bit (see the examples above). The type also defines a reverse map that is normally accessed via `decode_bitmask()`.

Return type type

Raises

- `TypeError` – missing name and/or description args.

- `ValueError` – bit definition is invalid or an offset is repeated.

`bosssdata.bits.extract_sdss_bitmasks` (*filename*='sdssMaskbits.par', *indent*='')

Scan the parfile defining SDSS bitmasks and print code to define these types for `bosssdata.bits`.

This function is intended to be run by hand with the output pasted into this module, to bootstrap or update the official SDSS bitmask definitions defined here. The generated code is printed directly to the standard output. This function should normally be run from the package top-level directory as:

```
python bosssdata/bits.py > bitdefs.py
```

and will read *sdssMaskBits.par* from the same directory. The contents of *bitdefs.py* is then pasted directly into this file, replacing any previous pasted version.

Parameters

- **filename** (*str*) – Path of the parfile to read.
- **indent** (*str*) – Indentation to use in the generated output.

Raises `RuntimeError` – Parse error while reading the input file.

`bosssdata.bits.summarize_bitmask_values` (*mask*, *values*, *strict*=`True`)

Summarize an array of bitmask values.

Parameters

- **mask** – A bitmask type, normally created with `create_bitmask()`, that defines the symbolic bit names to summarize.
- **values** (*numpy.ndarray*) – An array of values that will be decoded and summarized.

Returns A dictionary with bit names as keys and the number of values in which each bit is set as values. Any bit that is never set will not appear in the list of keys.

Return type `dict`

9.1.6 bosssdata.plate module

Access BOSS plate data products.

class `bosssdata.plate.FrameFile` (*path*, *index*=`None`, *calibrated*=`None`)

Bases: `object`

A BOSS frame file containing a single exposure of one spectrograph (half plate).

This class supports both types of frame data files: the uncalibrated `spFrame` and the calibrated `spCFrame`. Use `get_valid_data()` to access this plate's data and the `plug_map` attribute to access this plate's `plug map`.

BOSS spectrographs read out 500 fibers each. SDSS-I/II spectrographs (plate < 3510) read out 320 fibers each. The `plate`, `camera` and `exposure_id` attributes provide the basic metadata for this exposure. The complete HDU0 header is available as the `header` attribute.

This class is only intended for reading the BOSS frame file format, so generic operations on spectroscopic data (redshifting, resampling, etc) are intentionally not included here, but are instead provided in the `speclite` package.

Parameters

- **path** (*str*) – Local path of the frame FITS file to use. This should normally be obtained via `Plan.get_exposure_name()` and can be automatically mirrored via `bosssdata.remote.Manager.get()` or using the `bossfetch` script. The file is opened in read-only mode so you do not need write privileges.

- **index** (*int*) – Identifies if this is the first (1) or second (2) spectrograph, which determines whether it has spectra for fibers 1-500 (1-320) or 501-1000 (321-640). You should normally obtain this value using `Plan.get_spectrograph_index()`. As of v0.2.7, this argument is optional and will be inferred from the file header when not provided, or checked against the file header when provided.
- **calibrated** (*bool*) – Identifies whether this is a calibrated (spCFrame) or un-calibrated (spFrame) frame file. As of v0.2.7, this argument is optional and will be inferred from the file header when not provided, or checked against the file header when provided.

get_fiber_offsets (*fiber*)

Convert fiber numbers to array offsets.

Parameters **fibers** (*numpy.ndarray*) – Numpy array of fiber numbers 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510). All fibers must be in the appropriate range 1-500 (1-320) or 501-1000 (321-640) for this frame's spectrograph. Fibers do not need to be sorted and repetitions are ok.

Returns Numpy array of offsets 0-499 (or 0-319 for plate < 3510).

Return type *numpy.ndarray*

Raises *ValueError* – Fiber number is out of the valid range for this spectrograph.

get_pixel_masks (*fibers*)

Get the pixel masks for specified fibers.

The entire mask is returned for each fiber, including any pixels with zero inverse variance.

Parameters **fibers** (*numpy.ndarray*) – Numpy array of fiber numbers 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510). All fibers must be in the appropriate range 1-500 (1-320) or 501-1000 (321-640) for this frame's spectrograph. Fibers do not need to be sorted and repetitions are ok.

Returns Integer numpy array of shape (nfibers,npixels) where (i,j) encodes the mask bits defined in `bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK` (see also http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmask_sppixmask.php) for pixel-j of the fiber with index fibers[i].

Return type *numpy.ndarray*

get_valid_data (*fibers, pixel_quality_mask=None, include_wdisp=False, include_sky=False, use_ivar=False, use_loglam=False*)

Get the valid for the specified fibers.

Parameters

- **fibers** (*numpy.ndarray*) – Numpy array of fiber numbers 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510). All fibers must be in the appropriate range 1-500 (1-320) or 501-1000 (321-640) for this frame's spectrograph. Fibers do not need to be sorted and repetitions are ok.
- **pixel_quality_mask** (*int*) – An integer value interpreted as a bit pattern using the bits defined in `bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK` (see also http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmask_sppixmask.php). Any bits set in this mask are considered harmless and the corresponding spectrum pixels are assumed to contain valid data.
- **include_wdisp** – Include a wavelength dispersion column in the returned data.
- **include_sky** – Include a sky flux column in the returned data.
- **use_ivar** – Replace dflux with ivar (inverse variance) in the returned data.
- **use_loglam** – Replace wavelength with loglam (log10 (wavelength)) in the returned data.

Returns Masked array of shape (nfibers,npixels). Pixels with no valid data are included but masked. The record for each pixel has at least the following named fields: wavelength in Angstroms, flux and dflux in $1e-17$ ergs/s/cm²/Angstrom. Wavelength values are strictly increasing and dflux is calculated as $ivar^{*-0.5}$ for pixels with valid data. Optional fields are wdisp in constant-log10-lambda pixels and sky in $1e-17$ ergs/s/cm²/Angstrom. The wavelength (or loglam) field is never masked and all other fields are masked when ivar is zero or a pipeline flag is set (and not allowed by `pixel_quality_mask`).

Return type `numpy.ma.MaskedArray`

class `bosssdata.plate.Plan` (*path*)

Bases: `object`

The plan file for configuring the BOSS pipeline to combine exposures of a single plate.

Combined `plan files` are small text files that list the per-spectrograph (b1,b2,r1,r2) exposures used as input to a single coadd. Use the `exposure_table` attribute to access this information. Note that `bosssdata.spec.SpecFile` has a similar `exposures` attribute which only includes exposures actually used in the final co-add, so is generally a subset of the planned exposures.

Parameters *path* (*str*) – The local path to a plan file.

get_exposure_name (*sequence_number*, *band*, *fiber*, *ftype*=`'spCFrame'`)

Get the file name of a single science exposure data product.

Use the exposure name to locate FITS data files associated with individual exposures. The supported file types are: `spCFrame`, `spFrame`, `spFluxcalib` and `spFluxcorr`. Note that this method returns `None` when the requested exposure is not present in the plan, so the return value should always be checked.

Parameters

- **sequence_number** (*int*) – Science exposure sequence number, counting from zero. Must be less than our `num_science_exposures` attribute.
- **fiber** (*int*) – Fiber number to identify which spectrograph to use, which must be in the range 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510).
- **band** (*str*) – Must be 'blue' or 'red'.
- **fctype** (*str*) – Type of exposure file whose name to return. Must be one of `spCFrame`, `spFrame`, `spFluxcalib`, `spFluxcorr`. An `spCFrame` is assumed to be uncompressed, and all other files are assumed to be compressed.

Returns Exposure name of the form `[ftype]-[cc]-[eeeeeeee].[ext]` where `[cc]` identifies the spectrograph (one of b1,r1,b2,r2) and `[eeeeeeee]` is the zero-padded exposure number. The extension `[ext]` is "fits" for `spCFrame` files and "fits.gz" for all other file types. Returns `None` if the name is unknown for this band and fiber combination.

Return type `str`

Raises `ValueError` – one of the inputs is invalid.

get_spectrograph_index (*fiber*)

Get the spectrograph index 1,2 for the specified fiber.

Parameters *fiber* (*int*) – Fiber number to identify which spectrograph to use, which must be in the range 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510).

Returns Value of 1 if fiber is read out by the first spectrograph 1-500 (1-320), or else 2 for the second spectrograph.

Return type `int`

Raises `ValueError` – fiber is outside the allowed range 1-1000 (1-640) for this plate.

class `bosssdata.plate.PlateFile` (*path*)

Bases: `object`

A BOSS plate file containing combined exposures for a whole plate.

This class provides an interface to the `spPlate` data product, containing all co-added spectra for a single observation. To instead read individual co-added spectra, use `bosssdata.spec.SpecFile`. To access individual exposures of a half-plate use `FrameFile`.

Use `get_valid_data()` to access this plate's data, or the `exposures` attribute for a list of exposures used in the coadd. The `num_exposures` attribute gives the number of science exposures used for this target's co-added spectrum (counting a blue+red pair as one exposure). The `plug_map` attribute records this plate's `plug map`.

This class is only intended for reading the BOSS plate file format, so generic operations on spectroscopic data (redshifting, resampling, etc) are intentionally not included here, but are instead provided in the `speclite` package.

Parameters `path` (*str*) – Local path of the plate FITS file to use. This should normally be obtained via `bosssdata.path.Finder.get_plate_spec_path()` and can be automatically mirrored via `bosssdata.remote.Manager.get()` or using the `bosssfetch` script. The file is opened in read-only mode so you do not need write privileges.

get_fiber_offsets (*fiber*)

Convert fiber numbers to array offsets.

Parameters `fibers` (*numpy.ndarray*) – Numpy array of fiber numbers 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510). Fibers do not need to be sorted and repetitions are ok.

Returns Numpy array of offsets 0-999.

Return type `numpy.ndarray`

Raises `ValueError` – Fiber number is out of the valid range for this plate.

get_pixel_masks (*fibers*)

Get the pixel masks for specified fibers.

The entire mask is returned for each fiber, including any pixels with zero inverse variance. Returns the 'and_mask' and ignores the 'or_mask'.

Parameters `fibers` (*numpy.ndarray*) – Numpy array of fiber numbers 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510). Fibers do not need to be sorted and repetitions are ok.

Returns Integer numpy array of shape (nfibers,npixels) where (i,j) encodes the mask bits defined in `bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK` (see also http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmask_sppixmask.php) for pixel-j of the fiber with index fibers[i].

Return type `numpy.ndarray`

get_valid_data (*fibers*, *pixel_quality_mask=None*, *include_wdisp=False*, *include_sky=False*, *use_ivar=False*, *use_loglam=False*, *fiducial_grid=False*)

Get the valid for the specified fibers.

Parameters

- **fibers** (*numpy.ndarray*) – Numpy array of fiber numbers 1-1000 (or 1-640 for plate < 3510). Fibers do not need to be sorted and repetitions are ok.
- **pixel_quality_mask** (*int*) – An integer value interpreted as a bit pattern using the bits defined in `bosssdata.bits.SPPIXMASK` (see also http://www.sdss3.org/dr10/algorithms/bitmask_sppixmask.php). Any bits set in this mask are considered harmless and the corresponding spectrum pixels are assumed to

contain valid data. This mask is applied to the AND of the masks for each individual exposure. No mask is applied if this value is None.

- **include_wdisp** – Include a wavelength dispersion column in the returned data.
- **include_sky** – Include a sky flux column in the returned data.
- **use_ivar** – Replace dflux with ivar (inverse variance) in the returned data.
- **use_loglam** – Replace wavelength with loglam ($\log_{10}(\text{wavelength})$) in the returned data.
- **fiducial_grid** – Return co-added data using the *fiducial wavelength grid*. If False, the returned array uses the native grid of the SpecFile, which generally trims pixels on both ends that have zero inverse variance. Set this value True to ensure that all co-added spectra use aligned wavelength grids when this matters.

Returns Masked array of shape (nfibers,npixels). Pixels with no valid data are included but masked. The record for each pixel has at least the following named fields: wavelength in Angstroms (or loglam), flux and dflux in $1e-17$ ergs/s/cm²/Angstrom (or flux and ivar). Wavelength values are strictly increasing and dflux is calculated as $\text{ivar}^{*-0.5}$ for pixels with valid data. Optional fields are wdisp in constant-log10-lambda pixels and sky in $1e-17$ ergs/s/cm²/Angstrom. The wavelength (or loglam) field is never masked and all other fields are masked when ivar is zero or a pipeline flag is set (and not allowed by pixel_quality_mask).

Return type numpy.ma.MaskedArray

class bosssdata.plate.**TraceSet** (hdu)

Bases: object

A set of interpolating functions along each trace of a half plate.

TraceSets use the terminology that x is the pixel coordinate along the nominal wavelength direction and y is some quantity to be interpolated as a function of x. This implementation is based on the original SDSS IDL code: <https://trac.sdss3.org/browser/repo/idlutils/trunk/pro/trace/traceset2xy.pro>

Note that red and blue CCDs are handled differently, as described [here](#):

The plan is to switch from 1-phase to 2-phase readout on the red CCDs in summer 2010. This will effectively make the pixels more uniform, and the flat-fields much better.

A problem introduced will be that the central two rows will each be taller by 1/6 pix. That will flat-field, but there will be a discontinuity of 1/3 pix across this point. Technically, the PSF will also be different for those pixels, and the resulting resolution function.

Parameters hdu – fitsio HDU containing the trace set data as a binary table.

Raises ValueError – Unable to initialize a trace set with this HDU.

get_y (xpos=None, ignore_jump=False)

Evaluate the interpolating function for each trace.

Parameters

- **xpos** (numpy.ndarray) – Numpy array of shape (ntrace,nx) with x-pixel coordinates along each trace where y(x) should be evaluated. For BOSS, ntrace = 500 and for SDSS-I/II (plate < 3510), ntrace = 320. The value of ntrace is available as *self.ntrace*. If this argument

is not set, `self.default_xpos` will be used, which consists of `num_fibers` identical traces with x-pixel coordinates at each integer pixel value covering the full allowed range.

- **ignore_jump** (*bool*) – Include a jump when this is set and this is a 2-phase readout. There is probably no good reason to set this False, but it is included for compatibility with the original IDL code.

Returns Numpy array `y` with shape `(ntrace,nx)` that matches the input `xpos` or else the default `self.default_xpos`. `ypos[[i,x]]` gives the value of the interpolated `y(x)` with `x` equal to `xpos[[i,x]]`.

Return type `numpy.ndarray`

`bosssdata.plate.get_num_fibers(plate)`

Return the number of fiber holes for a given plate number.

Plate numbers 3510 or larger are (e)BOSS plates with 1000 fibers. Smaller plate numbers are assumed to be SDSS-I/II with 640 fibers.

Parameters `plate` (*int*) – Plate number.

Returns The value 640 or 1000.

Return type `int`

9.1.7 bosssdata.plot module

Support for plotting BOSS spectroscopic data in different formats.

These functions use the optional matplotlib dependency so will raise an `ImportError` if this is not installed. Functions do not create figures or call `matplotlib.pyplot.show()` before exiting, to provide the maximum flexibility. To display a single plot, you can use the following wrapper:

```
plt.figure(figsize=(11,8.5))
# ... call one of the plot functions ...
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

See the [Examples](#) for details.

`bosssdata.plot.by_fiber(data, mask=None, subsets={}, percentile_cut=0.0, plot_label=None, data_label=None, default_options={'marker': 'o', 'lw': 0.5, 's': 60})`

Plot per-fiber data values in fiber order.

This is a useful plot to show any dependence of the data value on a fiber's position on the CCD and slithead. Both spectrographs are superimposed on the same plot. The points for each fiber are color-coded according to their associated data value using the same scheme as `focal_plane()`.

Parameters

- **data** (*numpy.ndarray*) – A 1D array of data values to plot, where the array index matches the fiber number and all fibers are included.
- **mask** (*numpy.ndarray*) – An optional 1D array of boolean values with True values used to mask out values in the data array. Masked values will not be plotted and will not be used to calculate the plot data range.
- **subsets** (*dict*) – A dictionary of fiber subsets that will be separately identified in the plot. Each dictionary must define values for two keys: 'options' and 'fibers'. The options are a dictionary of arguments passed to `matplotlib.pyplot.scatter()` and used to style the subset. The fibers value is used to index the data array to pick out the subset's data values.

- **percentile_cut** (*float*) – Data will be clipped to this percentile value on both sides of its distribution. Use a value of zero (the default) for no clipping.
- **plot_label** (*str*) – A label identifying this plot that will be displayed in the top-left corner.
- **data_label** (*str*) – A label identifying the data values that will be used to label the y axis.
- **default_options** (*dict*) – A dictionary of options passed to `matplotlib.pyplot.scatter()` that is used to draw data points. Options in a subset dictionary override any values here. Fibers not in any subset are drawn using these default options.

```
bosssdata.plot.focal_plane(xfocal, yfocal, data, mask=None, subsets={}, background=None,
                           numbered=None, percentile_cut=0.0, mesh_refinement=0,
                           plot_label=None, data_label=None, show_background_mesh=False,
                           number_color='red', default_options={'marker': 'o', 'lw': 0.5, 's':
                           60}, rmax=350.0)
```

Plot per-fiber data values using focal-plane positions.

This is a useful plot to show any dependence of the data value on a fiber's position in the focal plane. The points for each fiber are color-coded according to their associated data value using the same scheme as `by_fiber()`.

Parameters

- **xfocal** (*numpy.ndarray*) – A 1D array of x focal-plane positions, where the array index matches the fiber number and all fibers are included.
- **yfocal** (*numpy.ndarray*) – A 1D array of y focal-plane positions, where the array index matches the fiber number and all fibers are included.
- **data** (*numpy.ndarray*) – A 1D array of data values to plot, where the array index matches the fiber number and all fibers are included.
- **mask** (*numpy.ndarray*) – An optional 1D array of boolean values with True values used to mask out values in the data array. Masked values will not be plotted and will not be used to calculate the plot data range.
- **subsets** (*dict*) – A dictionary of fiber subsets that will be separately identified in the plot. Each dictionary must define values for two keys: 'options' and 'fibers'. The options are a dictionary of arguments passed to `matplotlib.pyplot.scatter()` and used to style the subset. The fibers value is used to index the data array to pick out the subset's data values.
- **background** (*numpy.ndarray*) – An optional subset of fibers whose data values are used to fill the background using interpolation. The resulting background fill will only cover the convex hull of the subset, where interpolation is possible.
- **numbered** (*numpy.ndarray*) – An optional subset of fibers that will be numbered in the generated plot.
- **percentile_cut** (*float*) – Data will be clipped to this percentile value on both sides of its distribution. Use a value of zero (the default) for no clipping.
- **mesh_refinement** (*int*) – Smoothness of background fill interpolation to use. A value of zero (the default) corresponds to linear interpolation.
- **plot_label** (*str*) – A label identifying this plot that will be displayed in the top-left corner.
- **data_label** (*str*) – A label identifying the data values that will be used to label the y axis.

- **show_background_mesh** (*bool*) – Draw the triangulation used for the background fill when this is True.
- **number_color** (*str*) – Matplotlib color used to draw fiber numbers.
- **default_options** (*dict*) – A dictionary of options passed to `matplotlib.pyplot.scatter()` that is used to draw data points. Options in a subset dictionary override any values here. Fibers not in any subset are drawn using these default options.

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