# Goodman HTS Pipeline User Manual Documentation

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This is the User Manual for the *Goodman Spectroscopic Data Reduction Pipeline*. It provides an overview of the pipeline's main features, instructions on its use and how to run it on our dedicated *Data Reduction Server*, and installation instructions for those who wish to run it on their own computers.

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#### **OVERVIEW**

The Goodman Spectroscopic Data Reduction Pipeline - *The Goodman Pipeline* - is a Python-based package for producing science-ready, wavelength-calibrated, 1-D spectra. The goal of *The Goodman Pipeline* is to provide SOAR users with an easy to use, very well documented software for reducing spectra obtained with the Goodman High Troughput Spectrograph. Though the current implementation assumes offline data reduction, our aim is to provide the capability to run it in real time, so 1-D wavelength calibrated spectra can be produced shortly after the shutter closes.

The pipeline is primarily intended to be run on a data reduction dedicated computer though it is available for local installation. The *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline* project is hosted at GitHub at it's GitHub Repository.

Instructions for running the software are provided in the *Usage* section of this guide. How to access the data reduction server is on *Setup for Remote Use* or if you prefer to install a local version instructions are in *Install* 

Currently the pipeline is separated into two main components. The initial processing is done by redccd, which does the following processess.

- Identifies calibrations and science frames.
- Create master bias.
- · Creates master flats and normalizes it.
- Apply overscan correction.
- Trims the image.
- For spectroscopic data find slit edges and trims again.
- Applies bias correction.
- Applies flat correction.
- Applies cosmic ray removal.

The spectroscopic processing is done by redspec and carries out the following steps:

- Identifies point-source targets.
- Traces the spectra.
- Extracts the spectra.
- Estimates and subtract background.
- Saves extracted (1D) spectra, without wavelength calibration.
- Finds the wavelength solution.
- Linearizes data (resample)
- Writes the wavelength solution to FITS header
- Creates a new file for the wavelength-calibrated 1D spectrum

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#### **USAGE**

The *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline* is designed to be simple to use, however simple does not always is the best case for everyone, thus *The Goodman Pipeline* is also flexible.

#### Getting Help.

 $This \ manual \ is \ intended \ to \ be \ the \ preferred \ method \ to \ get \ help. \ However \ the \ quickest \ option \ is \ using \ -h \ or \ --help$ 

redccd --help

Will print the list of arguments along with a quick explanation and default values.

It is the same for redspec

redspec --help

# 2.1 Observing Guidelines

In order to be able to process your data with the *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline* you need to follow some guidelines, we do not intend to tell you how to do your science. Here are some basic hints.

- Make sure you have a good observing plan as well as a good backup plan too.
- Put special attention to the calibration files that are needed for the data that you are planning to obtain, for instance, you can process your spectroscopic data without bias because using overscan will give you a good enough approximation, but Imaging does not have overscan therefore you MUST obtain bias frames.
- Keep a detailed log of things that happened while you were observing, mistakes that you made, exposures repeated, etc. An observing log is not an extraction of header information. Well, it can be, but it will be useless.
- If you are unsure about the required steps to achieve your science goals ask your PI, not the support scientist, Her/His job is to assist you on how to get good quality data not what data you need in order to achieve your scientific goals.

For using the pipeline you don't need to use any special file naming convention, in fact all the information is obtained from the headers. As of version 1.2.0 you need to use a reference lamp naming convention though. Not the file but the field that goes into OBJECT. It is actually very simple:

Table 1: Convention names for comparison lamps

Lamp name	Convention
Argon	Ar
Neon	Ne
Copper	CuHeAr
Iron	FeHeAr
Mercury Argon	HgAr
Mercury Argon Neon	HgArNe

This is to ensure the pipeline is able to recognize them. This will no be the case in future versions but for now this is how it works.

# 2.2 Observing for Radial Velocity

Radial velocity measurements are possible with the Goodman High Throughput Spectrograph but you have to be careful. A very detailed description of the procedures and what you can expect was prepared and is available here and here

Please read it carefully so you don't find any surprises when trying to reduce your data.

# 2.3 Prepare Data for Reduction

If you did a good job preparing and doing the observation this should be an easy step, either way, keep in mind the following steps.

- Remove all focus sequence.
- Remove all *target acquisition* or *test* frames.
- Using your observation's log remove all unwanted files.
- Make sure all data has the same gain (GAIN) and readout noise (RDNOISE)
- Make sure all data has the same Region Of Interest or ROI (ROI).

The pipeline does not modify the original files unless there are problems with fits compliance, is never a bad idea to keep copies of your original data in a safe place.

## 2.3.1 Updating Keywords

Since version 1.3.0 if your data is older than **August 6, 2019**, you will need to change the following keywords.

- SLIT: Replace whitespaces with underscore, remove "and all letters are uppercase. For instance 0.45" long slit becomes 0.45\_LONG\_SLIT.
- GRATING: Grating's lines/mm goes first and then the manufacturer. For instance. SYZY\_400 becomes 400\_SYZY.
- WAVMODE: Replace whitespace with underscore and all letters are capitalized. For instance. 400 m1 becomes 400\_M1.
- INSTRUME: Instead of using the classical keywords 'Goodman Spectro' and 'Goodman Imaging', the AEON standard keywords ghts\_red and ghts\_blue will be used for spectroscopy, and ghts\_red\_imager and ghts\_blue\_imager for imaging. This is an exception of the upper case rule.

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**Note:** General rules are: Underscore is the only accepted separator. All letter must be upper case. Remove any character that need escaping.

# 2.4 Processing your 2D images

It is the first step in the reduction process, the main tasks are listed below.

- · Create master bias
- · Create master flats
- Apply Corrections:
  - Overscan
  - Trim image
  - Detect slit and trim out non-illuminated areas
  - Bias correction
  - Normalized flat field correction
  - Cosmic ray rejection

**Note:** Some older Goodman HTS data has headers that are not FITS compliant, In such cases the headers are fixed and that is the only modification done to raw data.

The 2D images are initially reduced using redccd. You can simply move to the directory where your raw data is located and do:

#### redccd

Though you can modify the behavior in several ways.

Running redccd will create a directory called RED where it will put your reduced data. If you want to run it again it will prevent you from accidentally removing your already reduced data unless you use --auto-clean this will tell the pipeline to delete the RED directory and start over.

```
redccd --auto-clean
```

A summary of the most important *command line arguments* are presented below.

- --cosmic <method> Let you select the method to do *Cosmic Ray Removal*.
- --debug Show extended messages and plots of intermediate steps.
- $\bullet$  --flat-normalize <method> Let you select the method to do {\it Flat Normalization}.
- --flat-norm-order <order> Set order for the model used to do Flat Normalization. Default 15.
- --ignore-bias Ignores the existence or lack of BIAS data.
- --ignore-flats Ignores the existence or lack of FLAT data.
- --raw-path <path> Set the directory where the raw data is located, can be relative.
- --red-path <path> Set the directory where the reduced data will be stored. Default RED.

• --saturation <saturation> Set the saturation threshold in percentage. There is a table with all the readout modes and their values at which saturation is reached, then all the pixels exceeding that value are counted. If the percentage is larger that the threshold defined with this argument the flat is marked as saturated. The default value is 1 percent.

This is intended to work with *spectroscopic* and *imaging* data, that it is why the process is split in two.

# 2.5 Extracting the spectra

After you are done *Processing your 2D images* it is time to extract the spectrum into a wavelength-calibrated 1D file.

The script is called **redspec**. The tasks performed are the following:

- Classifies data and creates the match of OBJECT and COMP if it exists.
- · Identifies targets
- · Extracts targets
- · Saves extracted targets to 1D spectrum
- · Finds wavelength solution automatically
- · Linearizes data
- · Saves wavelength calibrated file

First you have to move into the RED directory, this is a precautionary method to avoid unintended deletion of your raw data. Then you can simply do:

redspec

And the pipeline should work its magic, though this might not be the desired behavior for every user or science case, we have implemented a set of *command line arguments* which are listed below.

- --data-path <path> Folder were data to be processed is located. Default is *current working directory*.
- --proc-path <path> Folder were processed data will be stored. Default is *current working directory*.
- --search-pattern <pattern> Prefix for picking up files. Default is cfzst-. See File Prefixes.
- --output-prefix Prefix Prefix to be added to calibrated spectrum. Default is w-. See File Prefixes.
- --extraction <method> Select the Extraction Methods. The only one implemented at the moment is fractional.
- --fit-targets-with {moffat, gaussian} Model to fit peaks on spatial profile while searching for spectroscopic targets. Default moffat.
- --target-min-width <target min width> Minimum profile width for fitting the spatial axis of spectroscopic targets. If fitting a Moffat it will be reflected as the FWHM attribute of the fitted model and if fitting a Gaussian it will be reflected as the STDDEV attribute of the Gaussian model.
- --target-max-width <target max width> Maximum profile width for fitting the spatial axis of spectroscopic targets. If fitting a Moffat it will be reflected as the FWHM attribute of the fitted model and if fitting a Gaussian it will be reflected as the STDDEV attribute of the Gaussian model.
- --reference-files <path> Folder where to find the reference lamps.
- --debug Shows extended and more messages.
- --debug-plot Shows plots of intermediate steps.
- --max-targets <value> Maximum number of targets to detect in a single image. Default is 3.

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- --background-threshold <background threshold> Multiplier for background level used to discriminate usable targets. Default 3 times background level.
- --save-plots Save plots.
- --plot-results Show plots during execution.

The mathematical model used to define the wavelength solution is recorded in the header even though the data has been linearized for record purpose.

# 2.6 Description of custom keywords

The pipeline adds several keywords to keep track of the process and in general for keeping important information available. The following table gives a description of all the keywords added by *The Goodman Pipeline*, though not all of them are added to all the images.

## 2.6.1 General Purpose Keywords

These keywords are used for record purpose, except for GSP\_FNAM which is used to keep track of the file name.

Table 2: General purpose keywords, added to all images at the moment of the first read.

Keyword	Purpose
GSP_VERS	Pipeline version.
GSP_ONAM	Original file name, first read.
GSP_PNAM	Parent file name.
GSP_FNAM	Current file name.
GSP_PATH	Path from where the file was read.
GSP_TECH	Observing technique. Imaging or Spectroscopy.
GSP_DATE	Date of processing.
GSP_OVER	Overscan region.
GSP_TRIM	Trim section.
GSP_SLIT	Slit trim section. From slit-illuminated area.
GSP_BIAS	Master bias file used.
GSP_FLAT	Master flat file used.
GSP_SCTR	Science target file name (for lamps only)
GSP_LAMP	Reference lamp used to obtain wavelength solution
GSP_NORM	Master flat normalization method.
GSP_COSM	Cosmic ray rejection method.
GSP_TERR	RMS error of target trace
GSP_EXTR	Extraction window at first column
GSP_BKG1	First background extraction zone
GSP_BKG2	Second background extraction zone
GSP_WRMS	Wavelength solution RMS Error.
GSP_WPOI	Number of points used to calculate RMS Error.
GSP_WREJ	Number of points rejected from RMS Error Calculation.
GSP_DCRR	Reference paper for DCR software (cosmic ray rejection).

#### 2.6.2 Target Trace Model

Table 3: Keywords used to describe the model used to fit the target's trace.

Keyword	Purpose
GSP_TMOD	Name of mathematical model from astropy's modeling
GSP_TORD	Order of the model used.
GSP_TC00	Value of parameter c0.
GSP_TC01	Value of parameter c1.
GSP_TC02	Value of parameter c2. This goes on depending the order.

## 2.6.3 Non-linear wavelength solution

Since writing non-linear wavelength solutions to the headers using the FITS standard (reference) is extremely complex and not necessarily well documented, we came up with the solution of simply describing the mathematical model from astropy's modeling. This allows for maintaining the data *untouched* while keeping a reliable description of the wavelength solution.

The current implementation will work for writting any polinomial model. Reading is implemented only for Chebyshev1D which is the model by default.

Table 4: Keywords used to describe a non-linear wavelength solution.

Keyword	Purpose
GSP_FUNC	Name of mathematical model from astropy's modeling
GSP_ORDR	Order of the model used.
GSP_NPIX	Number of pixels.
GSP_C000	Value of parameter c0.
GSP_C001	Value of parameter c1.
GSP_C002	Value of parameter c2. This goes on depending the order.

# 2.6.4 Combined Images

Every image used in a combination of images is recorded in the header of the resulting one. The order does not have importance but most likely the header of the first one will be used.

The combination is made using the combine() method with the following parameters

- method='median'
- sigma\_clip=True
- sigma\_clip\_low\_thresh=1.0
- sigma\_clip\_high\_thresh=1.0

At this moment these parameters are not user-configurable.

Table 5: Keywords that list all the images used to produce a combined image.

Keyword	Purpose
GSP_IC01	First image used to create combined.
GSP_IC02	Second image used to create combined.

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#### 2.6.5 Detected lines

The *reference lamp library* maintains the lamps non-linearized and also they get a record of the pixel value and its equivalent in angstrom. In the following table a three-line lamp is shown.

Table 6: Description of all the keywords used to list lines in lamps in Pixel and Angstrom.

Keyword	Purpose
GSP_P001	Pixel value for the first line detected.
GSP_P002	Pixel value for the second line detected.
GSP_P003	Pixel value for the third line detected.
GSP_A001	Angstrom value for the first line detected.
GSP_A002	Angstrom value for the second line detected.
GSP_A003	Angstrom value for the third line detected.

# 2.7 Cosmic Ray Removal

**Warning:** The parameters for either cosmic ray removal method are not fully understood neither tuned but they work for most common instrument configurations. If your extracted spectrum shows weird features, specially if you use a custom mode, the most likely culprit are the parameters of the method you chose. Please let us know.

The argument --cosmic <method> has four options but there are only two real methods.

#### default (default):

Different methods work different for different binning. So if <method> is set to default the pipeline will decide as follows:

dcr for binning 1x1

lacosmic for binning 2x2 and 3x3 though binning 3x3 has not being tested.

#### dcr:

It was already said that this method work better for binning 1x1. More information can be found on dcr. The disadvantages of this method is that is a program written in C and it is required to write the file to the disk, process it and read it back again. Still is faster than lacosmic.

#### lacosmic:

This is the preferred method for files with binning 2x2 and 3x3. This is the Astroscrappy's implementation and is run with the default parameters. Future versions might include some parameter adjustment.

#### none:

Skips the cosmic ray removal process.

Asymetric binnings have not been tested but the pipeline only takes in consideration the dispersion axis to decide. This does not mean that the spatial binning does not impact the performance of any of the methods, we just don't know it yet.

**Note:** The prefix c is added to all the comparison lamps, despite they not being affected by cosmic rays.

## 2.8 Flat Normalization

There are three possible <method> (s) to do the normalization of master flats. For the method using a model the default model's order is 15. It can be set using --flat-norm-order <order>.

#### mean:

Calculates the mean of the image using numpy's mean() and divide the image by it.

#### simple (default):

Collapses the master flat across the spatial direction, fits a Chebyshev1D model of order 15 and divide the full image by this fitted model.

#### full:

Fits a Chebyshev1D model to every line/column (dispersion axis) and divides it by the fitted model. This method takes too much to process and it has been left in the code for experimentation purposes only.

#### 2.9 Extraction Methods

The argument --extraction <method> has two options but only fractional is implemented.

#### fractional:

Fractional pixel extraction differs from a simple and rough extraction in how it deals with the edges of the region. goodman\_pipeline.core.core.extract\_fractional\_pixel()

#### optimal:

Unfortunately this method has not been implemented yet.

#### 2.10 File Prefixes

**Note:** Overscan is no longer performed by default. Since it caused a double bias level substraction. Fixed since release *V1.3.3 19-04-2021*.

There are several ways one can do this but we selected adding prefixes to the file name because is easier to add and also easy to filter using a terminal, for instance.

ls cfzst\*fits

or in python

```
import glob
file_list = glob.glob('cfzst*fits')
```

So what does all those letter mean? Here is a table to explain it.

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Table 7: Characters an	d meaning	of prefixes
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Letter	Meaning
0	Overscan Correction Applied
t	Trim Correction Applied
S	Slit trim correction applied
Z	Bias correction applied
f	Flat correction applied
c	Cosmic rays removed
e	Spectrum extracted to 1D
W	1D Spectrum wavelength calibrated

So, for an original file named file.fits:

Means the spectrum has been extracted to a 1D file but the file has not been flat fielded (f missing).

Ideally after running redccd the file should be named:

And after running redspec:

wecfzst file.fits

#### 2.11 File Suffixes

After extraction, suffixes may appear in new files created. There are two scenarios where this can happen:

- More than one spectroscopic target for extraction. \*target\_X.
- More than one comparison lamp. \*ws\_Y.
- · Both above

Let's consider the following scenario: We start with 3 reduced files.

Table 8: Sample files in example.

File Name	Obstype	Comment
sci_file.fits	OBJECT	Science file with two spectra.
lamp_001.fits	COMP	Reference lamp valid for sci_file.fits
lamp_002.fits	COMP	Another valid reference lamp

Assuming the two targets in *sci\_file.fits* are extracted and they are approximately at the position 400 and 600 (pixels in spatial axis), after extraction we'll end up with:

```
esci_file_target_1.fits
esci_file_target_2.fits
elamp_001_390-410.fits
elamp_001_590-610.fits
elamp_002_390-410.fits
elamp_002_590-610.fits
```

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The default prefix for extraction is e and does not have an underscore to separate it from the file name.

After wavelength calibration, since there are two suitable lamps and due to the fact that the pipeline does not combine solutions, it will save two wavelength calibrated files with each one solved by the respective lamp. Then:

```
wesci_file_target_1_ws_1.fits
wesci_file_target_1_ws_2.fits
wesci_file_target_2_ws_1.fits
wesci_file_target_2_ws_2.fits
welamp_001_390-410.fits
welamp_001_590-610.fits
welamp_002_390-410.fits
welamp_002_590-610.fits
```

#### 2.12 Common issues

## 2.12.1 No comparison lamps were found

The latest version may introduce changes to wavelength solutions. To view the current list of available modes and lamps, please refer to the GitHub repository.

If your lamp, filter, or mode is not included in the repository mentioned above, redspec will not work as expected. This is particularly common with custom modes of the *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline*. You may encounter the following error after running redspec:

```
$ redspec [15:02:49][W]: No comparison lamps were provided for file ecfzst_0001_science.fits
```

This error occurs because the Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline relies on specific keywords to extract spectra, such as:

Table 9: Keywords that are used to produce a wavelength solution.

Keyword	Purpose
LAMP_HGA	Indicates if HgAr lamp is used.
LAMP_NE	Indicates if Ne lamp is used.
LAMP_AR	Indicates if Ar lamp is used.
LAMP_FE	Indicates if Fe lamp is used.
LAMP_CU	Indicates if Cu lamp is used.
WAVMODE	Slit and mode configuration.

# 2.12.2 Multiple spectra output

When taking multiple ARC images during your observation run, they will be linked with your science data. This means that if you capture several lamp files, they will be processed alongside the science images, potentially resulting in multiple outputs of the same spectrum.

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#### SETUP FOR REMOTE USE

The Goodman Spectroscopic Data Reduction Pipeline has been installed on a dedicated computer at SOAR. The procedure requires to open a VNC session, for which you need to be connected to the SOAR VPN. The credentials for the VPN are the same you used for your observing run, provided by your *Support Scientist*, who will also give you the information for the data reduction computer VNC connection.

**Note:** IRAF is available in the data server at SOAR. Running iraf will open an *xgterm* and *ds9* windows. iraf-only will open *xgterm* but not *ds9* 

## 3.1 Establish a VNC connection

Separately, you should receive a server hostname, IP, display number and VNC-password.

Table 1: VNC display number and working folder assigned to each partner.

Display	Partner/Institution	Folder
:1	NOAO	/home/goodman/data/NOAO
:2	Brazil	/home/goodman/data/BRAZIL
:3	UNC	/home/goodman/data/UNC
:4	MSU	/home/goodman/data/MSU
:5	Chile	/home/goodman/data/CHILE

For this tutorial we will call the vnc server host name as <vnc-server> the display number is <display-number> and your password is <password>.

The VNC connection should work with any VNC Client like TightVNC, TigerVNC, RealVNC, etc. The first two run on Linux and can be used directly with the vncviewer command line.

**Important:** Please, help us to create an organized environment by creating a new folder using the format YYYY-MM-DD within your institution's directory and using it to process your data.

# 3.2 VNC from the Terminal

Find the <display-number> that corresponds to you from the *VNC Displays table*. Open a terminal, and assuming you have installed vncviewer.

vncviewer <vnc-server>:<display-number>

You will be asked to type in the cpassword> provided.

**Important:** The real values for <vnc-server> and <password> should be provided by your support scientist.

If the connection succeeds you will see a *Centos* 7 Desktop using *Gnome*.

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#### **INSTALL**

We do not have the resources to provide installation support, thus we provide a server with the latest and older versions installed that users with access rights can use. However, the installation process is simple, and is described below (we hope that in enough detail) so that users can follow the steps and end up with a running version of the pipeline.

**Note:** In this tutorial we use Miniconda3 as but you can also do it with Anaconda by visiting https://www.anaconda.com/download/ for downloading the Anaconda installer for either operating system.

#### 4.1 Ubuntu

This installation process has been tested in a live version (previously known as Live CD) of Ubuntu 18.04.

 Install make and gcc sudo apt install gcc make

2. Download Miniconda

wget https://repo.continuum.io/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-Linux-x86\_64.sh -0 miniconda.sh

#### 4.2 Mac OS

This installation was tested on MacOS High Sierra.

1. Install Xcode command Line Tools. You can do it from the *App Store* or from command line.

```
xcode-select --install
```

2. Download Anaconda or Miniconda

```
\verb|curl https://repo.anaconda.com/miniconda/Miniconda3-latest-MacOSX-arm64.sh| --output miniconda.sh|
```

If you have a different processor like intel, you can search miniconda installer url for your system.

# 4.3 Common Steps

**Warning:** This installation instructions work with **BASH** only.

1. Install Miniconda

bash miniconda.sh

Answer the questions and reopen the terminal at the end.

2. Configure conda to use the Astroconda Channel

```
conda config --add channels http://ssb.stsci.edu/astroconda
```

3. Get the latest release of the *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline* from github. There is a .zip and .tar.gz files, the following steps will continue with the latter.

Make sure there is a green tag that says Latest release. For instance, for the version v1.1.2 the file is called.

```
goodman_pipeline-1.2.1.tar.gz
```

4. Extract the file (you can't copy and paste this line)

```
tar -xvf goodman_pipeline-<latest tag>.tar.gz
```

where <latest tag> is the version number of the latest release.

5. Move into the directory containing the package.

```
cd goodman_pipeline-<latest tag>
```

If you do ls you should find some interesting files on it such as: setup.py and environment.yml and install\_dcr.sh.

6. Create the virtual environment. The environment.yml file contains a preset definition of a virtual environment that Anaconda will understand, also ensures that the *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline* will work. Even the name of the virtual environment is set there.

```
conda env create -f environment.yml
```

This will create a virtual environment called goodman\_pipeline. To activate it

```
source activate goodman_pipeline
```

7. Install DCR. This script requires a virtual environment activated.

```
sh install_dcr.sh
```

To test if it worked you can do:

dcr

You should get something like this:

```
(goodman_pipeline) [user@servername goodman_pipeline]$ dcr
```

This is a modified version of DCR! for the Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline Please visit the author's site to get the original version:

Modification Version: 0.0.1

http://users.camk.edu.pl/pych/DCR/

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```
USAGE: dcr input_file cleaned_file cosmicrays_file
File 'dcr.par' must be present in the working directory.
~~~~~
```

8. Run tests.

python setup.py test

9. Install the pipeline

python setup.py install

# 4.4 Using pip

The *Goodman Spectroscopic Pipeline* Can also be installed using pip, but it does not install dcr, so if you are updating your goodman pipeline only you can use:

pip install goodman-pipeline

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## **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

1. What is the Goodman High Throughput Spectrograph?.

This is thoroughly documented in SOAR web site and links within.

2. How does the pipeline select the reference lamp?.

The lamps are selected comparing two keywords. OBJECT and WAVMODE

3. How should I organize the data?.

More than organized your data should be *cleaned* of undesired files. There are some general assumptions in the implementation of the pipeline's data organization system that might get confused by files that are not supposed to be there.

4. What is *slit trim*?.

Is a process to trim the 2D spectroscopic images to the *slit illuminated area* only. It works by fitting a box function to the dispersion-axis-collapsed spatial profile.

The box function is Box1D. The reason for doing it is because the non-illuminated area causes all sorts of problems in later steps, such as: existence of nan in master flats.

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#### **CHANGE HISTORY**

### 9.1 V1.3.8 Not Released

- · Documentation update
- Fix DCR bug that was present when called from CLI.
- Fixed Bug when using relative path for selecting master flat
- Fixed Bug when dcr didn't processed properly when comparison lamps have OBSTYPE = ARC

## 9.2 V1.3.7 17-08-2023

- · Updated documentation theme to allow dark mode
- Removed python 3.6 and 3.8 from testing and added 3.9 and 3.10
- · Unfixed numpy version
- · Removed testing with conda on github action because it only added complexity
- · Added 3 seconds timeout to request to github to validate version and check if running version is latest
- Added correct exception handler in case the http request timed out.

#### 9.3 V1.3.6 25-03-2022

- Updated HgArNe reference lamps for 400M1 and 600MID GG395
- · Fixed deprecation warning for numpy.float conversion

#### 9.4 V1.3.5 24-11-2021

- Created -target-min-width and -target-max-width flags to allow extraction of extended sources.
- Replaced coveralls with codecov for code coverage.
- · Documentation improvements and updates.
- Fixed issue with extracted spectrum that where masked in 2D.
- Code style improvements.

#### 9.5 V1.3.4 11-05-2021

- Updated default search pattern for redspec
- · Fixed branch name in Github Actions

#### 9.6 V1.3.3 19-04-2021

 Fixed bug that caused overscan and bias correction happen in the same image resulting in double bias level subtraction.

## 9.7 V1.3.2 09-10-2020

- Fixed Github Actions setup
- Removed pandas version constraint and implemented workaround to be able to use latest pandas version.
- Modified installation of dcr on travis and Github Actions

## 9.8 V1.3.1 23-09-2020

- Documentation improvements:
  - More docstrings.
  - New File Suffixes section.
- · Added more test code.
- · Cleaned .travis.yml and created special dcr installation script for travis.
- Changed the way core.combine\_data names new files.
- Fixed version checker due to deprecation of access token as url parameter.
- New core.identify\_technique. Was developed in the web application context.
- Created –skip-slit-trim argument to provide more control for certain use cases.
- Removed python 3.5 because it will not be supported anymore.
- Improved AEON Support:
  - Added values for OBSTYPE and required logic.
- Bugs Fixed:
  - Serial and Parallel binning extraction from header was not working
  - Changed url for astroplan's server

#### 9.9 V1.3.0 06-03-2020

- Made it compatible with Astropy 4.0
- All versions are free except for Pandas [#314]
- wavelength. Wavelength Calibration. \_\_call\_\_ can now return a json output.
- core.setup\_logging can now create a generic logger (same format).
- · Modified how master bias are named.
- Removed bias overscan and trimming correction on master bias creation.
- Bugs Fixed:
  - - max-targets was not being used, missed connection in MainApp.
- Updated keyword values of all reference lamps in the library according to [#292]
- Refactored wavelength. Wavelength Calibration class moving several methods to core [#300, #303]
- Refactored wavelength. Wavelength Calibration to be instantiated without arguments.
- · Improved messages at critical stages of wavelength calibration.
- Moved setup\_logging call from main package \_\_init\_\_ to scripts or entry points, this allows to re use other master loggers.
- Changed –background-threshold to multiply by detection limit instead of background level
- Created standard JSON output for WavelengthCalibration.

#### 9.10 V1.2.1 19-08-2019

- · Bugs fixed
  - Bias process was not fully ignored when -ignore-bias was used [#289].
  - pandas version was not specified in environment.yml [#288, #290]
  - Target extraction failed for low signal targets because background subtraction was being ignored at the step of actually identifying targets.
- Install instructions updated [#290]
- Moved static methods from ImageProcessor to core.
- Added function to validate ccd regions using regular expressions.
- Using lamps keywords to select reference lamps.
- Replaced *target\_stddev* by *target\_fwhm* in function *extract* and *extract\_fractional*.
- Replaced nsigmas by nfwhm everywhere.
- Added argument –background-threshold with default value 3.
- Added argument *-fit-targets-with* with options *moffat* and *gaussian*.

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## 9.11 V1.2.0 26-10-2018

- · Bugs removed:
  - If there was more than one lamp for a science target the lamp recorded as used was one of them only.
  - A percentage symbols was added to the help of --saturation argument, this caused a crash when redccd
     h or redccd --help was used.
- Numpy is fixed to the version 1.15.2 until further notice.
- Reference lamps now get the extraction window added to the end of the file name. This is to avoid overwritting the lamps when they were used for more than one target.
- DCR install script is now more advanced and requires a virtual environment to work on.
- Added SOAR Logo to ReadTheDocs page.
- · Changed install instruction with exact steps and commands instead of referencing documentation.
- Improved method to detect saturated images. Added a table with the *half full well* for all the readout modes possible and created a method to easily retrieve the value. This is a big improvement since in earlier versions the saturation limit was set to 65000 ADU regardless the input data and the user had to set a different one using the argument --saturation.
- Repurposed the --saturation command line argument, now is used to define the percentage of pixels above
  the saturation level, which for simplicity is the value of half full well. A default value of 1 percent was set as
  default.
- Added record information of target trace into the header and logs.
- Added record of background extraction regions into the header and logs.
- Made all plots full screen and the images using the gray cmap.
- Trace information is printed in the logs and also is recorded in the image's header
- Added sigma clipping to target tracing functions

#### 9.12 V1.1.2 05-10-2018

• Version 1.1.2 is pip instalable

```
pip install goodman-pipeline
```

 Project and package renamed to goodman\_pipeline this is because the previous was too generic. Now we have this structure:

```
goodman_pipeline/
  docs/
  goodman_pipeline/
    core/
    images/
    ..etc
  setup.py
    ..etc
```

- · Bugs Fixed:
  - DataFrame index is unusable when partial parts are eliminated. Added index\_reset(drop=True)

- Data conversion from string to integer needed to be converted to float first.
- For low SNR data there was confusion of noise with targets, added a median filter and increased the the order value of peak detection.
- Created several new keywords:

#### GSP\_EXTR:

Extraction window at the first column.

#### GSP SCTR:

Used for extracted comparison lamps, contains the name of the file of science target that the lamp was extracted for.

#### GSP\_LAMP:

For science targets, it records the name of the lamp used for the wavelength calibration.

- "Sliding" cross correlation window (to trace non-linearity of wavelength solution) is set to the maximum value between the length of the lamp spectrum in pixels and four times the global cross correlation of the reference lamp to the new one.
- Iterations in sigma clipping of differences between obtained wavelength values and laboratory values was increased from 1 to 3. This is for removing bad fitted lines and also RMS error calculation.
- · Gaussian Kernel size for reference lamp convolution is now dependent on slit size and binning
- Added reference lamps for all gratings and their modes except 1200M0
- Created script install\_dcr.sh
- · Increased code coverage
- Eliminated None elements in list of instances of goodman\_pipeline.core.core.NightDataContainer
- · Improved several logging messages
  - In general, it informs more, when it does an action and when it does not. What files are discarded,
  - Debugging plots are more complete for identify\_targets.
- Created new argument --debug-plot dedicated for *graphical debugging*, the old --debug will show additional messages but will not produce any graphical output.
- Removed ability to process several folders in sequence, now the pipeline has to be run for each folder separately.

## 9.13 V1.1.1 23-08-2018

- Bugs Fixed:
  - Added clean exit when pipeline is unable to determine instrument or technique used.
  - Conversion from string to integer not always works, added intermediate float conversion.
  - Abrupt exit when there were non-fits-compliant keywords. Now it attempts to fix them all automatically and warns the user. Also, it ends the execution and informs the user to try again.
- Removed unused code and tools.
- Relocated module goodman\_pipeline.core.check\_version to pipeline/core.
- Implemented Authorized GitHub API access and added actual version check
- Moved command line interface from goodman/bin/ to goodman/pipeline/script/
- Specified version of cython to be able to build.

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- Added reference lamps for all usable modes for the grating 600 l/mm
- Created method to use automatic keyword fix from ccdproc.
- Improved help information of arguments
- Documentation updates

## 9.14 V1.1.0 24-07-2018

- · Bugs fixed
  - -- keep-cosmic-file would work for dcr but not for lacosmic
- Changed organization of ReadTheDocs information
  - New structure
  - Added references to external packages
  - This page is the single place to add changes information. CHANGES.md still exist but contains a link here.
- Added --version argument.
- Implemented astroscrappy's LACosmic method
- removed ccdproc's cosmicray\_lacosmic().
- created default method for cosmic ray rejection.
  - For binning 1x1 default is dcr
  - For binning 2x2 default is lacosmic
  - For binning 3x3 default is lacosmic

methods dcr, lacosmic or none can still be forced by using --cosmic <method>

#### 9.15 V1.0.3 11-07-2018

- · Bugs fixed
  - programatically access to the version number did not work because it was based purely on setup.cfg
    now setup.py has a function that creates the file pipeline.version which is accessed by pipeline/
    \_\_init\_\_.py
  - File naming was making some file dissapear by being overwritten for files that contained more than one target the next file name would match the previous one. A differentiator was added.

## 9.16 V1.0.2 10-07-2018

- Removed module goodman/pipeline/info.py and placed all metadata in goodman/setup.cfg.
- · Several updates to documentation
  - Added comment on how to organize data on soardata3.
  - Added link to licence on footer.
  - User manual now is in ReadTheDocs and no longer available as a pdf.
  - Improved information on debug plots
- · Bugs Fixed.
  - fixed GSP\_FNAM value for reference lamps
  - Spectral limit calculation by including binning into the equation
  - Included binning in the calculation of the wavelength solution
  - Corrected messages and conditions under which the prefix for cosmic ray rejection is used
  - Image combination call and messages
- Other additions + Added lookup table dcr.par file generator and found optimal parameters for Red camera and binning 2x2

#### 9.17 V1.0.1 xx-xx-2018

- Moved user manual from external repo to goodman/docs/
- · Added version checker
- Centralised metadata (\_\_version\_\_, \_\_licence\_\_, etc) in goodman/setup.cfg
- Added CHANGES.md

#### 9.18 V1.0.0 29-04-2018

· First production ready release

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