
shocksgo Documentation

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This is the documentation for shocksgo. The goal of shocksgo is to generate light curves of stars accounting for the effects of granulation, super-granulation and p-mode oscillations.

You can view the source code and/or contribute to shocksgo via [GitHub](#).

Part I

Documentation

CHAPTER 1

Installing shocksgo

You can install shocksgo with pip:

```
pip install shocksgo
```

You can install shocksgo from the source code by doing the following:

```
git clone https://github.com/bmorris3/shocksgo.git
cd shocksgo
python setup.py install
```

shocksgo requires python ≥ 3.5 , numpy, celerite, and astropy.

If you have any trouble installing shocksgo, feel free to post an issue on [GitHub](#).

This tutorial will show some examples of how to make solar and stellar light curves using `shocksgo`.

2.1 Generating a Solar Light Curve

To generate a sample of ten hours of solar fluxes at 60 second cadence, we can use `generate_solar_fluxes`:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import astropy.units as u

from shocksgo import generate_solar_fluxes

times, fluxes, kernel = generate_solar_fluxes(duration=10*u.hour, cadence=60*u.s)

plt.plot(times.to(u.hour), 1e6 * fluxes)
plt.gca().set(xlabel='Time [hours]', ylabel='Relative Flux [ppm]')
plt.show()
```

We can check that the power spectrum of the fluxes that we've generated reproduce the solar power spectrum:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import astropy.units as u

from shocksgo import generate_solar_fluxes, power_spectrum

times, fluxes, kernel = generate_solar_fluxes(duration=100*u.day, cadence=60*u.s)

freq, power = power_spectrum(fluxes, d=60)

plt.loglog(freq * 1e6, power, '-', label='Samples')
plt.loglog(freq * 1e6, 1e6 * kernel.get_psd(2*np.pi*freq)/(2*np.pi), alpha=0.7, label='Kernel')
plt.ylim([1e-5, 1e3])
```

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```
plt.xlim([1e-2, 1e4])
plt.gca().set(xlabel='Frequency [ $\mu\text{Hz}$ ]', ylabel='Power [ $\text{ppm}^2/\mu\text{Hz}$ ']')
plt.show()
```

Zooming into the p-mode oscillations, we can see the peaks are reproduced:

2.2 Generating a Stellar Light Curve

To generate a sample of *stellar* fluxes at 60 second cadence, we can use `generate_stellar_fluxes`:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import astropy.units as u
from astropy.constants import M_sun, L_sun, R_sun

from shocksgo import generate_stellar_fluxes

# Stellar properties
M = 0.9 * M_sun
T_eff = 5340 * u.K
L = 0.56 * L_sun
R = 0.7 * R_sun

times, fluxes, kernel = generate_stellar_fluxes(duration=100*u.day, M=M, T_eff=T_eff, R=R, L=L,
cadence=60*u.s)

plt.plot(times.to(u.day), 1e6 * fluxes)
plt.gca().set(xlabel='Time [days]', ylabel='Relative Flux [ppm]', title='G9V star')
plt.show()
```

We can see the shift in the p-mode oscillations relative to the solar ones above if we plot the power spectrum:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import astropy.units as u
from astropy.constants import M_sun, L_sun, R_sun

from shocksgo import generate_stellar_fluxes, power_spectrum

# Stellar properties
M = 0.9 * M_sun
T_eff = 5340 * u.K
L = 0.56 * L_sun
R = 0.876 * R_sun

times, fluxes, kernel = generate_stellar_fluxes(duration=10*u.day, M=M, T_eff=T_eff, R=R, L=L,
cadence=60*u.s)

freq, power = power_spectrum(fluxes, d=60)

plt.semilogy(freq * 1e6, power, '-', label='Samples')
plt.semilogy(freq * 1e6, 1e6 * kernel.get_psd(2*np.pi*freq)/(2*np.pi), alpha=0.7, label='Kernel')
plt.ylim([1e-5, 1e-1])
plt.xlim([2500, 5000])
plt.gca().set(xlabel='Frequency [ $\mu\text{Hz}$ ]', ylabel='Power [ $\text{ppm}^2/\mu\text{Hz}$ ']')
plt.show()
```

2.3 Custom Frequencies

Suppose you have a list of model p-mode frequencies, and you would like to generate a light curve from your custom list of frequencies (without scaling from the solar values). You can do so using a different set of keyword arguments in the `generate_stellar_fluxes` function, like so:

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import astropy.units as u
from astropy.constants import R_sun, M_sun, L_sun

from shocksgo import generate_stellar_fluxes

M = 1*M_sun
L = 1*L_sun
T_eff = 5777 * u.K
R = 1*R_sun

freqs = np.linspace(2000, 4000, 10) # in microHertz
log_amps = np.exp(-0.5 * (freqs - 3000)**2 / 1000**2) - 32
log_lifetimes = np.ones_like(freqs) * 7
duration = 2 * u.min

times, fluxes, kernel = generate_stellar_fluxes(duration, M, T_eff, R, L,
                                                frequencies=freqs,
                                                log_amplitudes=log_amps,
                                                log_mode_lifetimes=log_lifetimes)

test_freqs = np.logspace(-2, np.log10(freqs.max()), 1e6)
plt.loglog(test_freqs, 1e6/(2*np.pi) * kernel.get_psd(2*np.pi*test_freqs*1e-6))
plt.gca().set(xlabel='Frequency [ $\mu\text{Hz}$ ]', ylabel='Power [ $\text{ppm}^2/\mu\text{Hz}$ ']')
plt.show()
```


This is the documentation for shocksgo.

3.1 Reference/API

3.1.1 shocksgo Package

Functions

<code>generate_solar_fluxes(duration[, cadence])</code>	Generate an array of fluxes with zero mean which mimic the power spectrum of the SOHO/VIRGO SPM observations.
<code>generate_stellar_fluxes(duration, M, T_eff, R, L)</code>	Generate an array of fluxes with zero mean which mimic the power spectrum of the SOHO/VIRGO SPM observations, scaled for a star with a given mass, effective temperature, luminosity and radius.
<code>interpolate_missing_data(times, fluxes[, ...])</code>	Assuming times are uniformly spaced with missing cadences, fill in the missing cadences with linear interpolation.
<code>power_spectrum(fluxes[, d])</code>	Compute the power spectrum of fluxes in units of [ppm ² / microHz].
<code>test(**kwargs)</code>	Run the tests for the package.

`generate_solar_fluxes`

`shocksgo.generate_solar_fluxes(duration, cadence=<Quantity 60. s>)`

Generate an array of fluxes with zero mean which mimic the power spectrum of the SOHO/VIRGO SPM observations.

Parameters

duration

[Quantity] Duration of simulated observations to generate.

cadence

[Quantity] Length of time between fluxes

Returns**times**

[Quantity] Array of times at cadence cadence of length duration/cadence

fluxes

[ndarray] Array of fluxes at cadence cadence of length duration/cadence

kernel

[TermSum] Celerite kernel used to approximate the solar power spectrum.

generate_stellar_fluxes

shocksgo.**generate_stellar_fluxes**(*duration*, *M*, *T_eff*, *R*, *L*, *cadence*=<Quantity 60. s>, *frequencies*=None, *log_amplitudes*=None, *log_mode_lifetimes*=None)

Generate an array of fluxes with zero mean which mimic the power spectrum of the SOHO/VIRGO SPM observations, scaled for a star with a given mass, effective temperature, luminosity and radius.

Parameters**duration**

[Quantity] Duration of simulated observations to generate.

M

[Quantity] Stellar mass

T_eff

[Quantity] Stellar effective temperature

R

[Quantity] Stellar radius

L

[Quantity] Stellar luminosity

cadence

[Quantity] Length of time between fluxes

frequencies

[ndarray or None] p-mode frequencies in the power spectrum in units of microHertz. Defaults to scaled solar values.

log_amplitudes

[ndarray or None] p-mode amplitudes in the power spectrum. Defaults to scaled solar values.

log_mode_lifetimes

[ndarray or None] p-mode lifetimes in the power spectrum. Defaults to scaled solar values.

Returns

times

[Quantity] Array of times at cadence cadence of size duration/cadence

fluxes

[ndarray] Array of fluxes at cadence cadence of size duration/cadence

kernel

[TermSum] Celerite kernel used to approximate the stellar power spectrum

interpolate_missing_data

shocksgo.**interpolate_missing_data**(*times, fluxes, cadences=None*)

Assuming times are uniformly spaced with missing cadences, fill in the missing cadences with linear interpolation.

Cadences can be passed if they are known.

Parameters**times**

[numpy.ndarray] Incomplete but otherwise uniformly sampled times

fluxes

[numpy.ndarray] Flux for each time in times

cadences

[numpy.ndarray, optional] Integer cadence number of each observation.

Returns**interpolated_times**

[numpy.ndarray] times with filled-in missing cadences

interpolated_fluxes

[numpy.ndarray] fluxes with filled-in missing cadences

power_spectrum

shocksgo.**power_spectrum**(*fluxes, d=60*)

Compute the power spectrum of fluxes in units of [ppm² / microHz].

Parameters**fluxes**

[ndarray] Fluxes with zero mean.

d

[float] Time between samples [s].

Returns**freq**

[ndarray] Frequencies

power

[ndarray] Power at each frequency in units of [ppm² / microHz]

test

shocksgo.**test**(**kwargs)

Run the tests for the package.

This method builds arguments for and then calls `pytest.main`.

Parameters

package

[str, optional] The name of a specific package to test, e.g. 'io.fits' or 'utils'. Accepts comma separated string to specify multiple packages. If nothing is specified all default tests are run.

args

[str, optional] Additional arguments to be passed to `pytest.main` in the `args` keyword argument.

docs_path

[str, optional] The path to the documentation .rst files.

open_files

[bool, optional] Fail when any tests leave files open. Off by default, because this adds extra run time to the test suite. Requires the `psutil` package.

parallel

[int or 'auto', optional] When provided, run the tests in parallel on the specified number of CPUs. If parallel is 'auto', it will use the all the cores on the machine. Requires the `pytest-xdist` plugin.

pastebin

[('failed', 'all', None), optional] Convenience option for turning on `py.test` pastebin output. Set to 'failed' to upload info for failed tests, or 'all' to upload info for all tests.

pdb

[bool, optional] Turn on PDB post-mortem analysis for failing tests. Same as specifying `--pdb` in args.

pep8

[bool, optional] Turn on PEP8 checking via the `pytest-pep8` plugin and disable normal tests. Same as specifying `--pep8 -k pep8` in args.

plugins

[list, optional] Plugins to be passed to `pytest.main` in the `plugins` keyword argument.

remote_data

[{'none', 'astropy', 'any'}, optional] Controls whether to run tests marked with `@pytest.mark.remote_data`. This can be set to run no tests with remote data (none), only ones that use data from <http://data.astropy.org> (astropy), or all tests that use remote data (any). The default is none.

repeat

[int, optional] If set, specifies how many times each test should be run. This is useful for diagnosing sporadic failures.

skip_docs

[bool, optional] When `True`, skips running the doctests in the .rst files.

test_path

[str, optional] Specify location to test by path. May be a single file or directory. Must be specified absolutely or relative to the calling directory.

verbose

[bool, optional] Convenience option to turn on verbose output from py.test. Passing True is the same as specifying -v in args.

Classes

`UnsupportedPythonError`

UnsupportedPythonError

exception `shocksgo.UnsupportedPythonError`

Class Inheritance Diagram

UnsupportedPythonError

Part II

Overview

We compute these light curves efficiently by taking advantage of [celerite](#), a fast Gaussian process regression package, which we use to approximate solar and stellar power spectrum densities with sums of [simple harmonic oscillator](#) (SHO) kernels of the form:

$$S(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{S_0 \omega_0^4}{(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \omega_0^2 \omega^2 / Q^2}$$

where $\omega = 2\pi f$ is the angular frequency. We use one SHO kernel term for super/meso-granulation, another for ordinary granulation, and about 50 terms for the comb of p-mode peaks.

4.1 Scaling relations for p-modes

For computation of stellar p-mode oscillation frequencies, we use the scaling relations found in [Huber et al. \(2012\)](#) and references therein (e.g. [Kjeldsen & Bedding 1995](#)), namely Equation 4:

$$\nu_{\max} \propto MR^{-2}T_{\text{eff}}^{-1/2},$$

and Equation 3

$$\Delta\nu_{\max} \propto M^{1/2}R^{-3/2}.$$

The amplitude scaling of the p-mode oscillations is given by Equation 9 of [Huber et al. \(2011\)](#):

$$A \propto \frac{L^s}{M^t T_{\text{eff}}^{r-1} c(T_{\text{eff}})}$$

where $r = 2$, $s = 0.886$, $t = 1.89$ and

$$c(T_{\text{eff}}) = \left(\frac{T_{\text{eff}}}{5934\text{K}} \right)^{0.8}.$$

4.2 Scaling relations for granulation

For computation of large and small scale stellar surface granulation frequencies, we use the scaling relation found in [Kallinger et al. \(2014\)](#):

$$\tau_{\text{eff}} \propto \nu_{\text{max}}^{-0.89},$$

where τ_{eff} is the characteristic granulation timescale. The amplitudes of granulation scale as

$$a \propto \nu_{\text{max}}^{-2}.$$

([Kjeldsen & Bedding, 2011](#)).

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