



panstamps Documentation

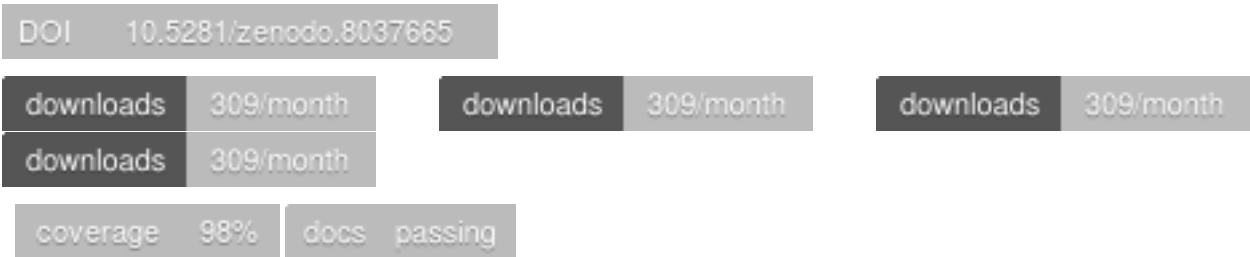
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Download stacked and/or warp image stamps from the STScI PanSTARRS image server via CL or Python API.

Documentation for panstamps is hosted by [Read the Docs](#) ([development version](#) and [master version](#)). The code lives on [github](#). Please report any issues you find [here](#).

Note: If working with warped PS1 images then you need to work off a machine that has an IP address whitelisted by the [Pan-STARRS1 data archive](#), otherwise only stacked images will be available to you. Also *w*-band images are not (yet) accessible from the data archive.

FEATURES

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HOW TO CITE PANSTAMPS

If you use panstamps in your work, please cite using the following BibTeX entry:

```
@software{Young_panstamps,  
  author = {Young, David R.},  
  doi = {10.5281/zenodo.8037665},  
  license = {GPL-3.0-only},  
  title = ,  
  url = {https://github.com/thespacedoctor/panstamps}  
}
```

2.1 Installation

The easiest way to install panstamps is to use `pip` (here we show the install inside of a conda environment):

```
conda create -n panstamps python=3.7 pip  
conda activate panstamps  
pip install panstamps
```

Or you can clone the [github repo](#) and install from a local version of the code:

```
git clone git@github.com:thespacedoctor/panstamps.git  
cd panstamps  
python setup.py install
```

To upgrade to the latest version of panstamps use the command:

```
pip install panstamps --upgrade
```

To check installation was successful run `panstamps -v`. This should return the version number of the install.

2.1.1 Troubleshooting on Mac OSX

panstamps uses pillow (a fork of the Python Imaging Library) which requires some [external libraries](#).

If you have issues running panstamps on OSX, try installing [Homebrew](#) and running:

```
brew install libtiff libjpeg webp little-cms2
```

2.1.2 Development

If you want to tinker with the code, then install in development mode. This means you can modify the code from your cloned repo:

```
git clone git@github.com:thespacedoctor/panstamps.git
cd panstamps
python setup.py develop
```

Pull requests are welcomed!

2.2 Initialisation

Before using panstamps you need to use the `init` command to generate a user settings file. Running the following creates a `yaml` settings file in your home folder under `~/.config/panstamps/panstamps.yaml`:

```
panstamps init
```

The file is initially populated with panstamps's default settings which can be adjusted to your preference.

If at any point the user settings file becomes corrupted or you just want to start afresh, simply trash the `panstamps.yaml` file and rerun `panstamps init`.

2.2.1 Modifying the Settings

Once created, open the settings file in any text editor and make any modifications needed.

2.2.2 Basic Python Setup

If you plan to use panstamps in your own scripts you will first need to parse your settings file and set up logging etc. One quick way to do this is to use the `fundamentals` package to give you a logger, a settings dictionary and a database connection (if connection details given in settings file):

```
## SOME BASIC SETUP FOR LOGGING, SETTINGS ETC
from fundamentals import tools
from os.path import expanduser
home = expanduser("~")
settingsFile = home + "/.config/panstamps/panstamps.yaml"
su = tools(
    arguments={"settingsFile": settingsFile},
    docString=__doc__,
)
arguments, settings, log, dbConn = su.setup()
```

2.3 Using Panstamps from the Command-Line

There are 2 ways to use **panstamps**, either via the command-line or import it into your own python code and use it from there.

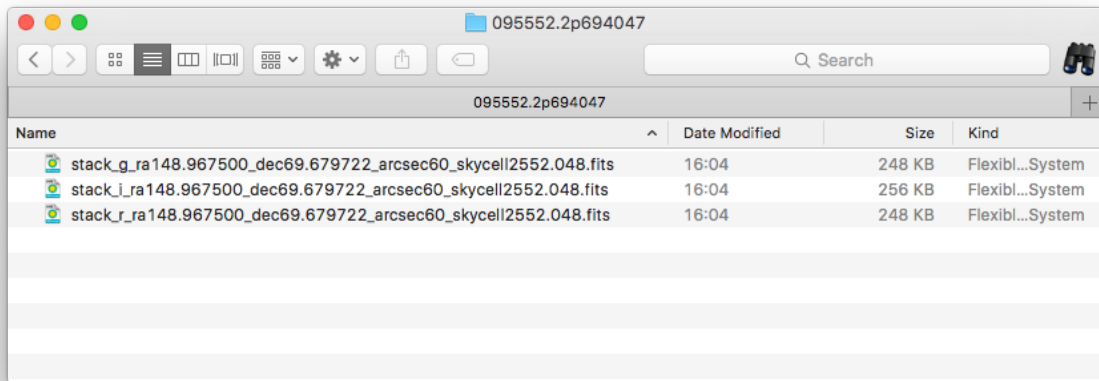
Full usage options can be found by typing:

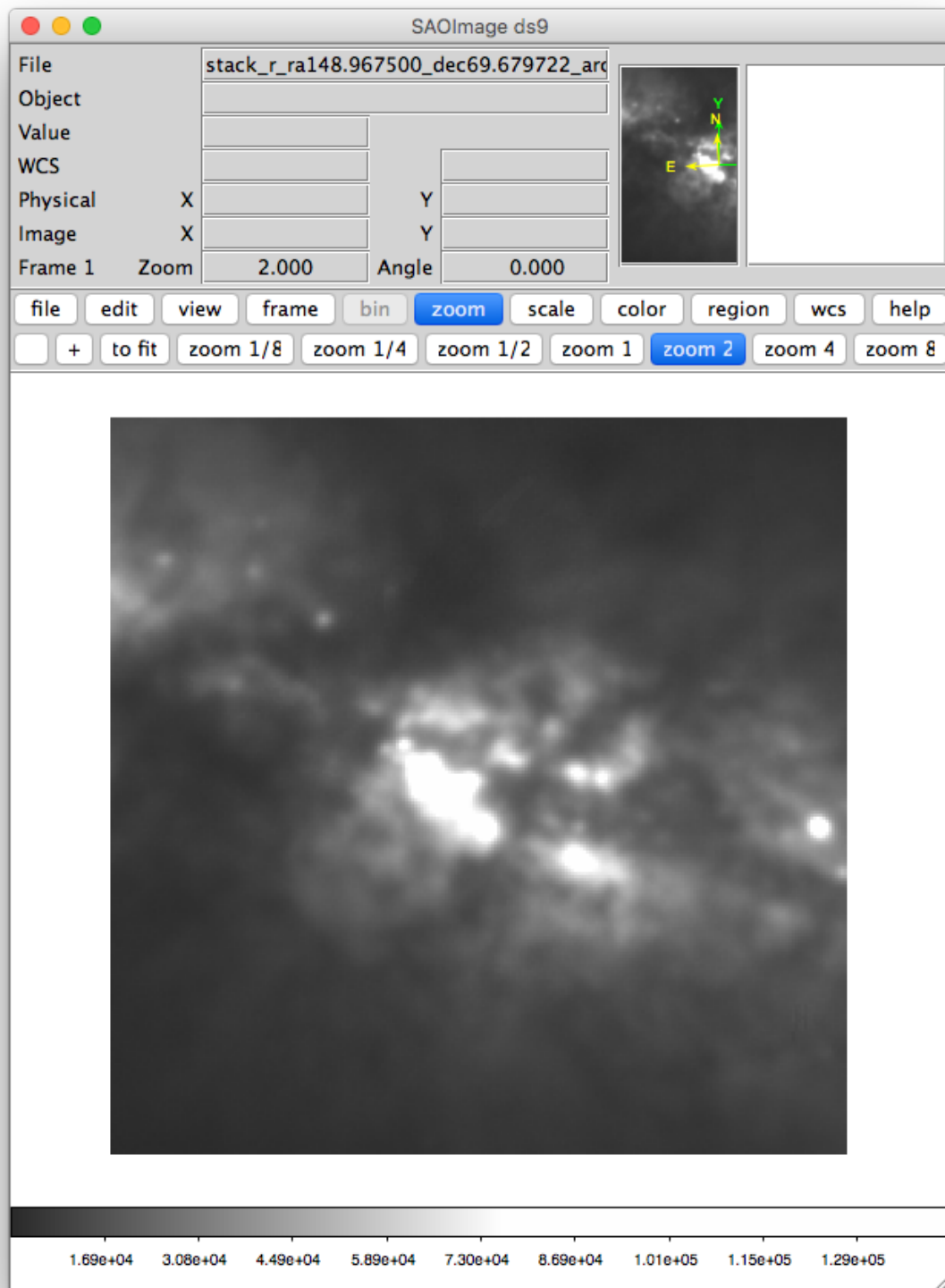
```
panstamps -h
```

Here I'll run through the basics. By default the command will only download the fits files for the location given. To download the stack fits cutouts for M82 run the command:

```
panstamps stack 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```

By default the *gri* filter, 1 arcmin fits cutouts are downloaded:

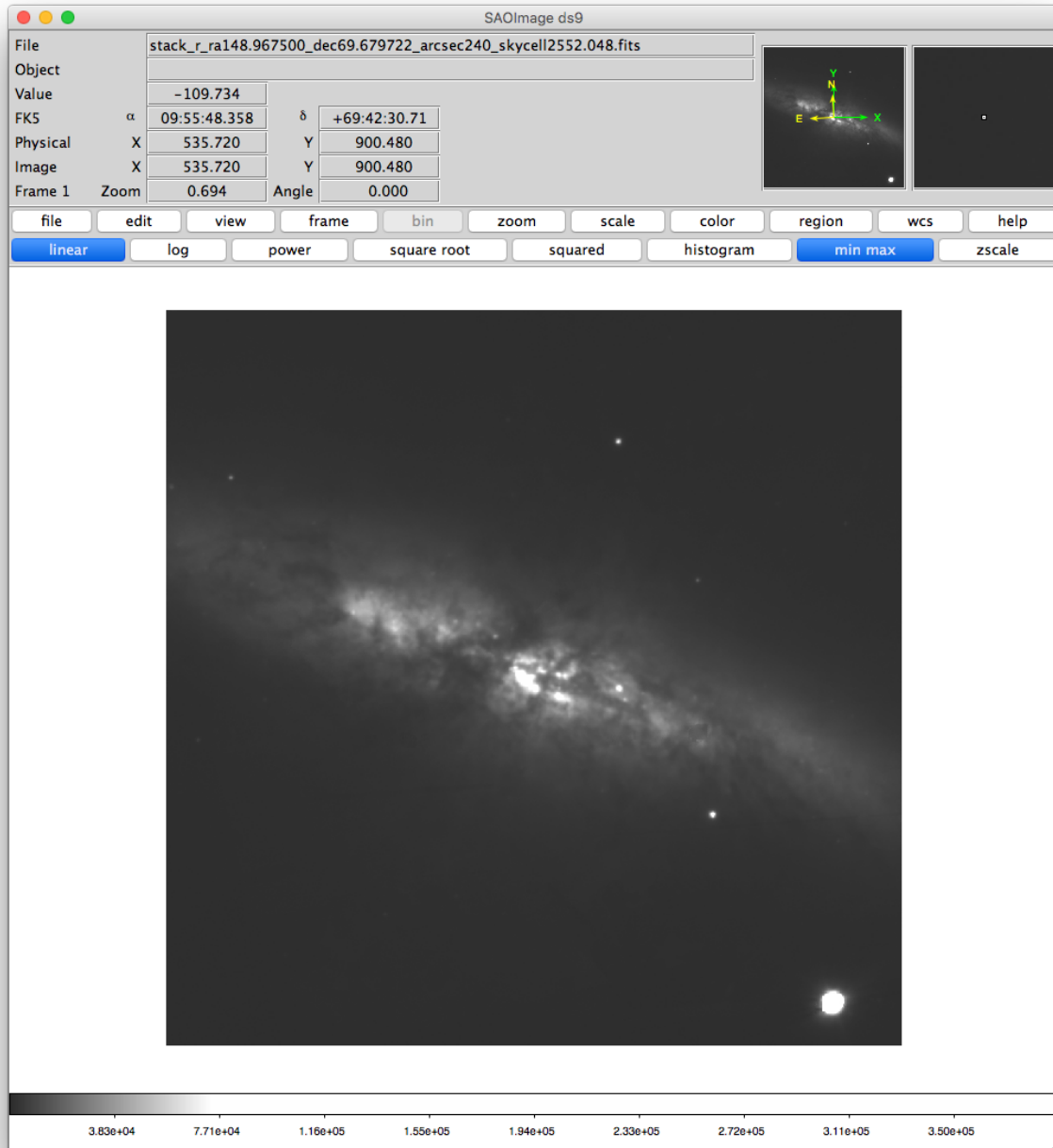




To increase the image width and download all filters, run the command:

```
panstamps --width=4 --filters=griyz stack 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```

As you can see we now have a larger cutout:

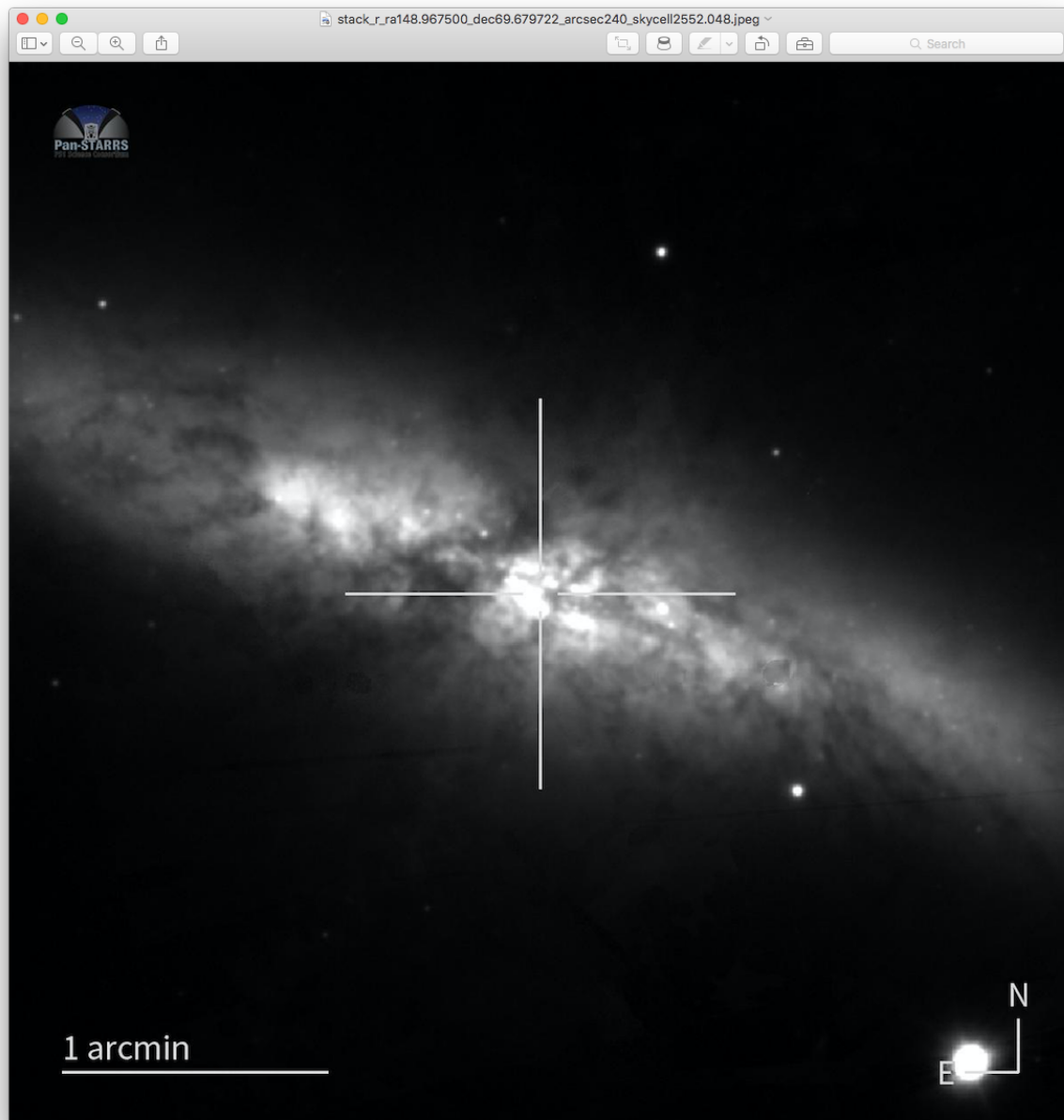


2.3.1 JPEGS

To download the jpegs, and not the fits files rerun the command with the correct flags set. We'll also use the `--downloadFolder` option to assign the download directory.

```
panstamps -Fj --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=/Users/Dave/Desktop/m81 stack_
→ 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```

This downloads the jpegs and adds some useful annotation, which can be switched off if required.



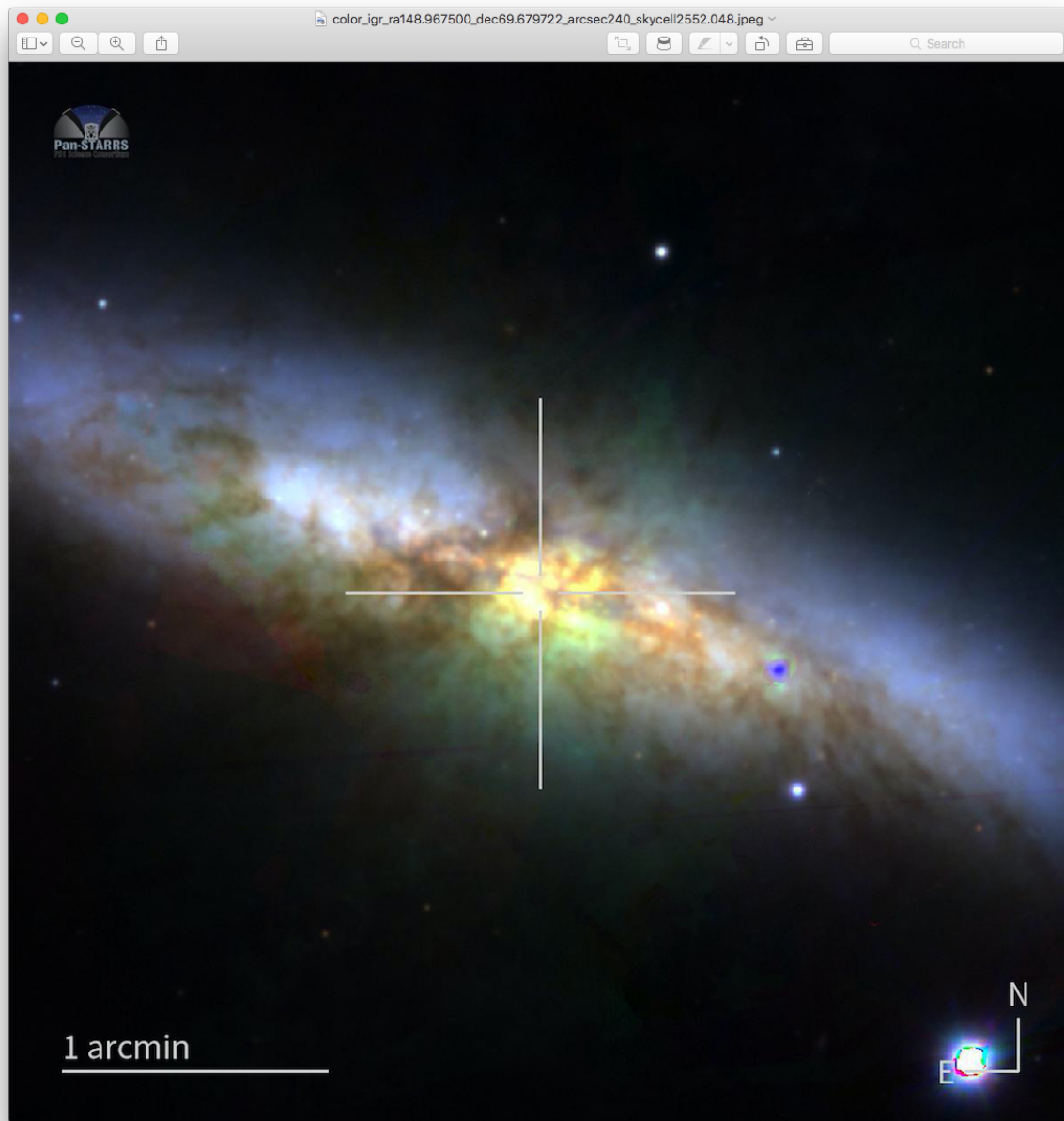
Sometimes it may be useful to add a transient marker at the centre of the image:

```
panstamps -FjAt --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=/Users/Dave/Desktop/m81_
↳ stack 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```



Or grab the color image as well as/instead of the single filter images:

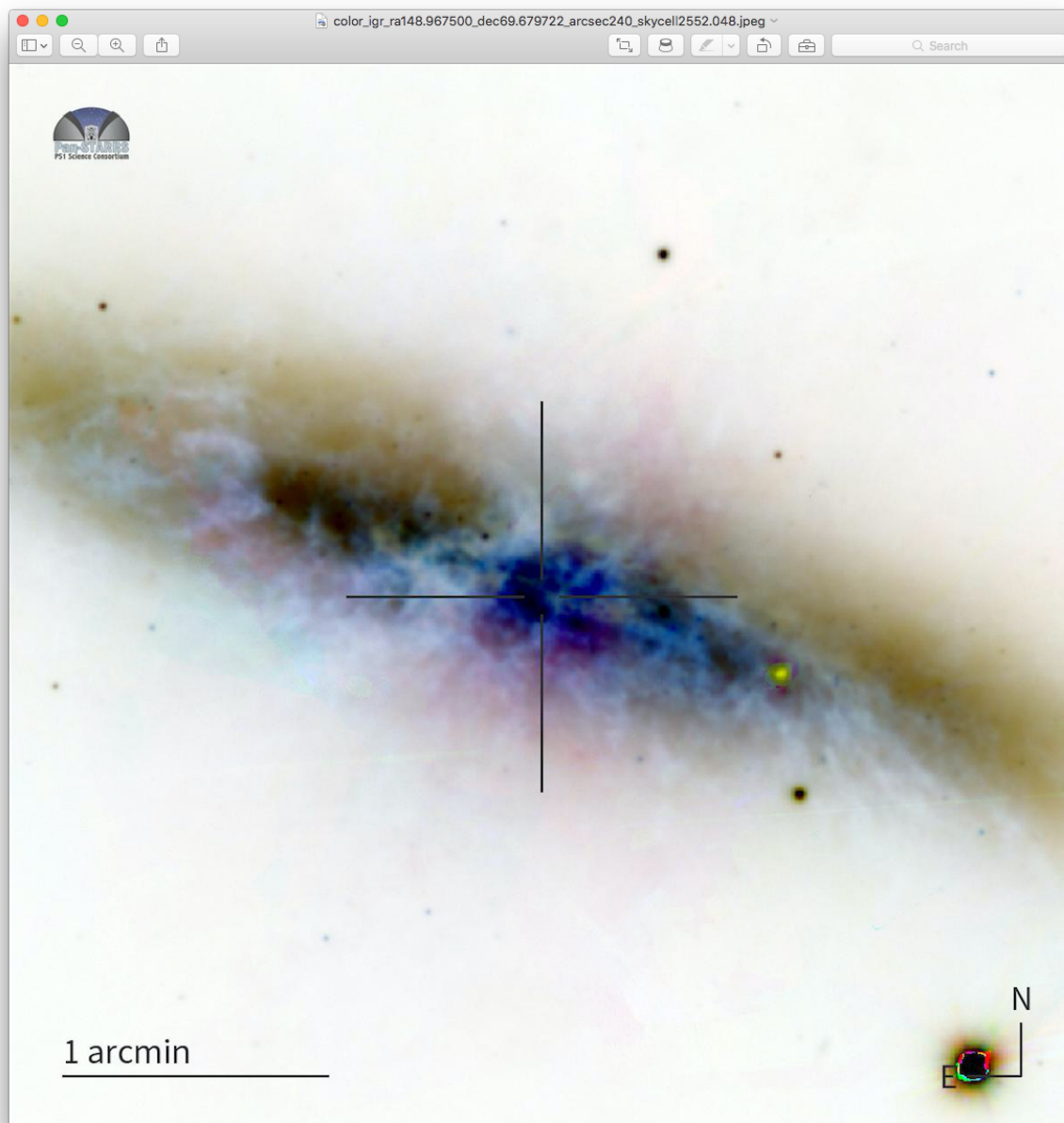
```
panstamps -FJc --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=/Users/Dave/Desktop/m81 stack_
↳ 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```



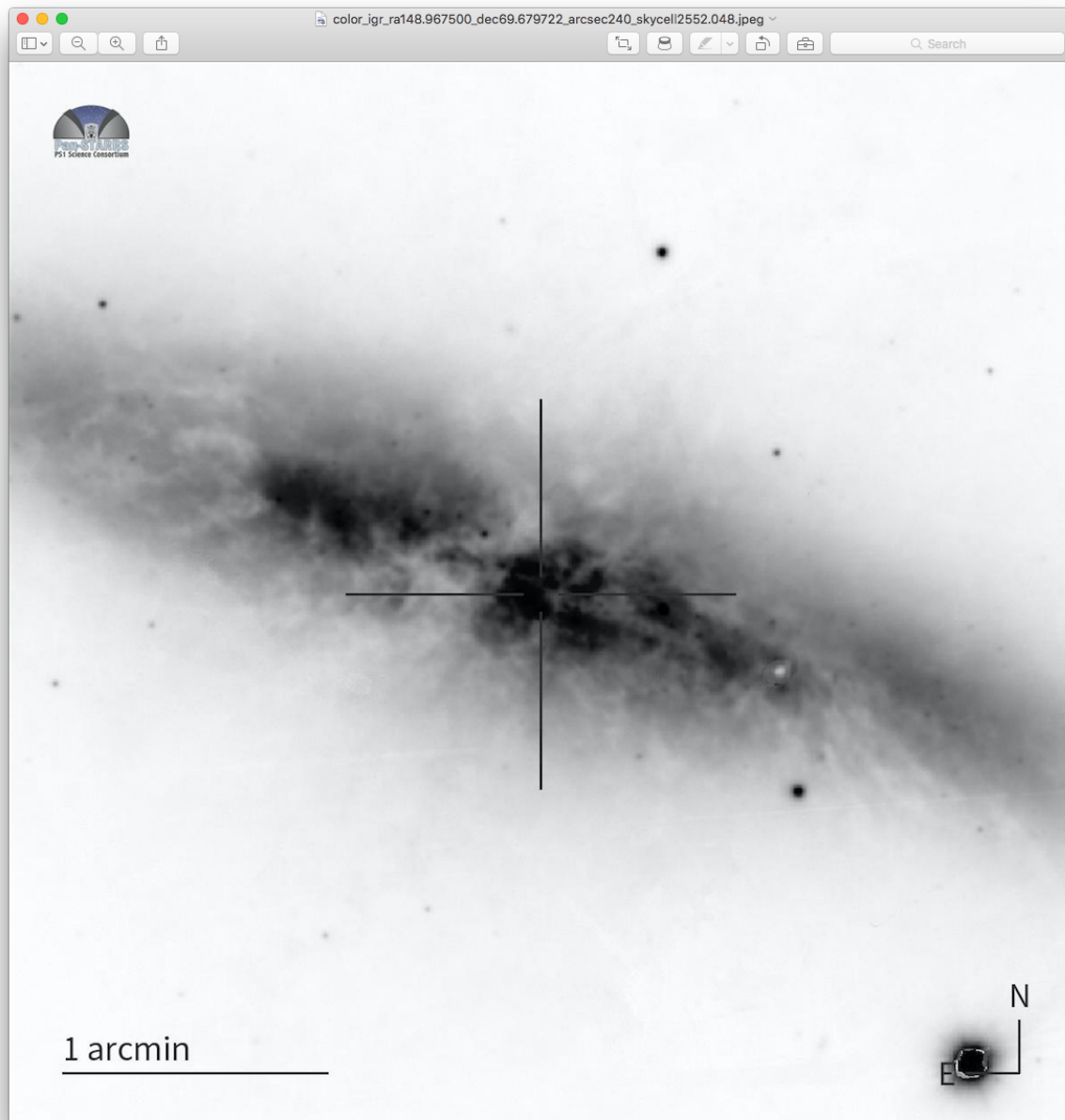
Note the code will try its best to choose a colour for the annotation lines and text to make them contrast well against the background image.

Finally you can invert the image colors or convert the image to greyscale:

```
panstamps -FJci --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=/Users/Dave/Desktop/m81_
↪stack 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```

```
panstamps -FJcig --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=/Users/Dave/Desktop/m81_
→stack 09:55:52.2 +69:40:47
```



2.3.2 Temporal Constraints (Useful for Moving Objects)

For moving objects, alongside spatially filtering the panstarrs images, we also require a temporal filter. We need to be able to request images at a sky-position that were taken within a given time range. With panstamps we have the option of passing a time-window to filter the images by via the `mjdStart` and `mjdEnd` variables:

For example I can run:

```
panstamps -Fj --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=~/Desktop/movers warp 189.
↪1960991 28.2374845 55246.63 55246.64
```

to only return the 2 images I want within the temporal window at the location in the sky.

It's also possible to request the closest warp image taken before or after a requested MJD by using the closest flag. For example, to request the closest r-band warp taken before MJD=`55246.64` for the location above, run the command:

```
panstamps -Fj --closest=before --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=~/Desktop/
↪movers 189.1960991 28.2374845 55246.64
```

To request the closest warp taken after the given MJD then use `--closest=after`.

Oftentimes it's useful to download the closest warp within a given time-window, e.g. closest warp in time of the requested MJD taken up to 3 mins before. To do so pass in a positive or negative integer to represent the time-window in seconds, like so:

```
panstamps -Fj --closest=-120 --width=4 --filters=gri --downloadFolder=~/Desktop/
↪movers 189.1960991 28.2374845 55246.64
```

2.4 Using Panstamps within Python

To use panstamps within your own scripts please read the full documentation. But for those of you that can't wait, this snippet should give you the basics:

```
from panstamps.downloader import downloader
from panstamps.image import image
fitsPaths, jpegPaths, colorPath = downloader(
    log=log,
    settings=False,
    downloadDirectory=False,
    fits=False,
    jpeg=True,
    arcsecSize=600,
    filterSet='gri',
    color=True,
    singleFilters=True,
    ra="70.60271",
    dec="-21.72433",
    imageType="stack", # warp / stack
    mjdStart=False,
    mjdEnd=False,
    window=False
).get()
```

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```
for j in jpegPaths:

    myimage = image(
        log=log,
        settings=False,
        imagePath=j
        arcsecSize=120,
        crosshairs=True,
        transient=False,
        scale=True,
        invert=False,
        greyscale=False
    ).get()
```

2.5 Todo List

Todo:

- nice!
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(The *original entry* is located in /home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/panstamps/checkouts/develop/docs/source/_template line 1.)

2.6 Release Notes

v0.6.5 - February 23, 2023

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v0.6.2 - May 11, 2022

- **FIXED** doc fixes
- **UNFEATURE** Removing Python 2 support

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- **FIXED** Command-line tools now correctly parse arguments

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v0.6.0 - May 7, 2020

- Now compatible with Python 3.*

API REFERENCE

3.1 Modules

<i>panstamps.commonutils</i>	<i>common tools used throughout package</i>
<i>panstamps.image</i>	<i>The worker class for the image module</i>
<i>panstamps.commonutils.getpackagepath</i>	<i>Get common file and folder paths for the host package</i>
<i>panstamps.utKit</i>	<i>Unit testing tools</i>

3.1.1 commonutils (module)

common tools used throughout package

Sub-modules

<i>getpackagepath</i>	<i>Get common file and folder paths for the host package</i>
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3.1.2 image (class)

class image (log, imagePath, arcsecSize, settings=False, crosshairs=True, transient=False, scale=True, invert=False, greyscale=False, colorImage=False)

Bases: object

The worker class for the image module

Key Arguments

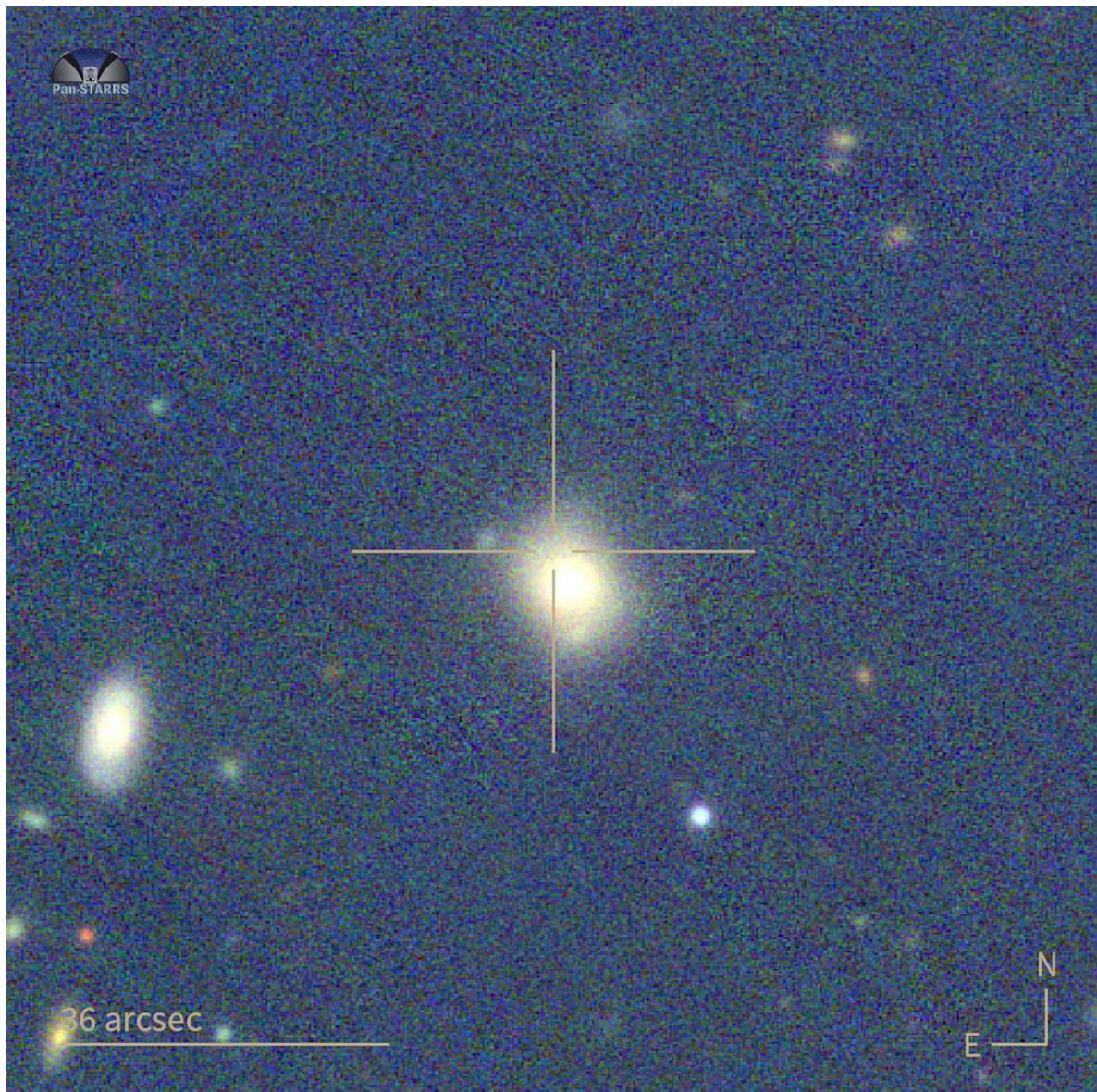
- log – logger
- settings – the settings dictionary
- imagePath – path to the image to manipulate
- arcsecSize – the size of the image stamps to download (1 arcsec == 4 pixels).
- crosshairs – add crosshairs to the image?. Default *True*
- transient – add a small transient marker at the centre of the image. Default *False*
- scale – add scale bar and orientation indicator to the image. Default *True*
- invert – invert the colours of the image. Default *False*

- `greyscale` – convert the image to greyscale. Default *False*
- `colorImage` – is the input image a color image, Default **False*. Note, also assumes a color image if 'color' in filename

Usage

```
from panstamps.image import image
myimage = image(
    log=log,
    settings=False,
    imagePath="70.60271m21.72433/color_igr_ra70.602710_dec-21.724330_arcsec120_
↪skycell0812.050.jpeg",
    arcsecSize=120,
    crosshairs=True,
    transient=False,
    scale=True,
    invert=False,
    greyscale=False,
    colorImage=True
).get()
```

Here's the resulting image from this code:



Methods

get()

annotate the PS1 image

Return

- image – a PIL image object

3.1.3 getpackagepath (module)

Get common file and folder paths for the host package

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Functions

<code>getpackagepath()</code>	<code>getpackagepath</code>
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Sub-modules

<code>getpackagepath()</code>	<code>getpackagepath</code>
os	OS routines for NT or Posix depending on what system we're on.

getpackagepath()
getpackagepath

3.1.4 utKit (module)

Unit testing tools

Classes

<code>utKit(moduleDirectory[, dbConn])</code>	<i>Override dryx utKit</i>
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Sub-modules

<code>utKit(moduleDirectory[, dbConn])</code>	<i>Override dryx utKit</i>
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```
class utKit (moduleDirectory, dbConn=False)
    Bases: fundamentals.utKit.utKit
    Override dryx utKit

    get_project_root()
        Get the root of the ``python`` package - useful for getting files in the root directory of a project

    Return
        • rootPath – the root path of a project

    refresh_database()
        Refresh the unit test database

    setupModule()
        The setupModule method

    Return
```

- `log` – a logger
- `dbConn` – a database connection to a test database (details from yaml settings file)
- `pathToInputDir` – path to modules own test input directory
- `pathToOutputDir` – path to modules own test output directory

tearDownModule()

The tearDownModule method

3.2 Classes

panstamps.downloader

Tools to download the panstarrs image stamps from STScI PanSTARRS image server

3.2.1 downloader (class)

class downloader(*log, downloadDirectory=False, settings=False, fits=True, jpeg=False, arcsecSize=60, filterSet='gri', color=True, singleFilters=True, ra=False, dec=False, imageType='stack', mjdStart=False, mjdEnd=False, window=False*)

Bases: object

Tools to download the panstarrs image stamps from STScI PanSTARRS image server

Key Arguments

- `log` – logger
- `settings` – the settings dictionary
- `downloadDirectory` – the path to where you want to download the images to. Downloads to path command is run from by default.
- `fits` – download the fits files? Default *True*
- `jpeg` – download the jpeg files? Default *False*
- `arcsecSize` – the size of the image stamps to download (1 arcsec == 4 pixels). Default *60*
- `filterSet` – the filter set used to create color and/or download as individual stamps. Default *gri*
- `color` – download the color jpeg? Default *True*
- `singleFilters` – download the single filter stmaps? Default *False*
- `ra` – ra in decimal degrees.
 - `dec` – dec in decimal degrees.
 - `imageType` – warp or stacked images? Default *stack*
 - `mjdStart` – the start of a time-window within which the images required are taken. Default *False* (everything)
 - `mjdEnd` – the end of a time-window within which the images required are taken. Default *False* (everything)

Usage

The following will return 3 lists of paths to local fits, jpeg and color-jpeg files:

```

from panstamps.downloader import downloader
fitsPaths, jpegPaths, colorPath = downloader(
    log=log,
    settings=False,
    fits=False,
    jpeg=True,
    arcsecSize=600,
    filterSet='gri',
    color=True,
    singleFilters=True,
    ra="70.60271",
    dec="-21.72433",
    imageType="stack",
    mjdStart=False,
    mjdEnd=False,
    window=False
).get()

```

Methods

<code>get()</code>	<i>download the requested jpegs and fits files</i>
<code>get_html_content()</code>	<i>Build the URL for the stamp request and extract the HTML content</i>
<code>parse_html_for_image_urls_and_metadata(content)</code>	<i>Parse the HTML content for image urls and metadata</i>

get()
download the requested jpegs and fits files

Return

- `fitsPaths` – a list of local paths to downloaded fits files
- `jpegPaths` – a list of local paths to downloaded jpeg files
- `colorPath` – a list of local paths to downloaded color jpeg file (just one image)

get_html_content()
Build the URL for the stamp request and extract the HTML content

Return

- `content` – the HTML content of the requested URL
- `status_code` – the HTTP status code of the request response
- `url` – the URL requested from the PS1 stamp server

Usage

```

from panstamps.downloader import downloader
content, status_code, url = downloader(
    log=log,
    settings=False,
    fits=False,
    jpeg=True,
    arcsecSize=600,
    filterSet='gri',
    color=True,

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    singleFilters=True,
    ra="70.60271",
    dec="-21.72433",
    imageType="stack",
    mjdStart=False,
    mjdEnd=False,
    window=False
).get_html_content()

print(status_code)
# OUT: 200

print(url)
# OUT: http://pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/pslcutouts?filter=gri&filter=color&
↪catlist=&autoscale=99.500000&verbose=0&output_size=2400&filetypes=stack&
↪pos=70.60271+-21.72433&size=2400

```

parse_html_for_image_urls_and_metadata (content)*parse html for image urls and metadata***Key Arguments**

- content – the content of the requested PS1 stamp HTML page

Usage

Note if you want to constrain the images you download with a temporal window then make sure to given values for mjdStart and mjdEnd.

```

from panstamps.downloader import downloader
mydownloader = downloader(
    log=log,
    settings=False,
    fits=False,
    jpeg=True,
    arcsecSize=600,
    filterSet='gri',
    color=True,
    singleFilters=True,
    ra="70.60271",
    dec="-21.72433",
    imageType="stack",
    mjdStart=False,
    mjdEnd=False,
    window=False
)
content, status_code, url = mydownloader.get_html_content()

allStacks, allWarps, colorImage = mydownloader.parse_html_for_image_urls_and_
↪metadata(content=content)

for k,v in allStacks.items():
    print(k, v)

# OUT:
## jpegs ['http://pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/fitscut.cgi?red=/data/ps1/
↪node15/stps15.1/nebulous/23/3a/7187453864.gpc1%3ALAP.PV3.20140730%3A2015
↪%3A01%3A29%3ARINGS.V3%3Askycell.0812.050%3ARINGS.V3.skycell.0812.050.stk.
↪4297354.unconv.fits&x=70.602710&y=-21.724330&size=2400&wcs=1&asinh=True&autoscale=99.500000&output_size=2400', 'http://pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/
↪fitscut.cgi?red=/data/ps1/node08/stps08.1/nebulous/de/fa/5761784572.gpc1
↪%3ALAP.PV3.20140730%3A2014%3A12%3A25%3ARINGS.V3%3Askycell.0812.050%3ARINGS
↪V3.skycell.0812.050.stk.4106421.unconv.fits&x=70.602710&y=-21.724330&
↪size=2400&wcs=1&asinh=True&autoscale=99.500000&output_size=2400', 'http://
↪pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/fitscut.cgi?red=/data/ps1/node08/stps08.1/
↪nebulous/lb/d7/5756633973.gpc1%3ALAP.PV3.20140730%3A2014%3A12%3A25%3ARINGS

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```

## fits ['http://pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/fitscut.cgi?red=/data/ps1/node15/
↳stps15.1/nebulous/23/3a/7187453864.gpc1:LAP.PV3.20140730:2015:01:29:RINGS.
↳V3:skycell.0812.050:RINGS.V3.skycell.0812.050.stk.4297354.unconv.fits&
↳format=fits&x=70.602710&y=-21.724330&size=2400&wcs=1&imagename=cutout_rings.
↳v3.skycell.0812.050.stk.g.unconv.fits', 'http://pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/
↳fitscut.cgi?red=/data/ps1/node08/stps08.1/nebulous/de/fa/5761784572.
↳gpc1:LAP.PV3.20140730:2014:12:25:RINGS.V3:skycell.0812.050:RINGS.V3.skycell.
↳0812.050.stk.4106421.unconv.fits&format=fits&x=70.602710&y=-21.724330&
↳size=2400&wcs=1&imagename=cutout_rings.v3.skycell.0812.050.stk.r.unconv.fits
↳', 'http://pslimages.stsci.edu/cgi-bin/fitscut.cgi?red=/data/ps1/node08/
↳stps08.1/nebulous/1b/d7/5756633973.gpc1:LAP.PV3.20140730:2014:12:25:RINGS.
↳V3:skycell.0812.050:RINGS.V3.skycell.0812.050.stk.4097309.unconv.fits&
↳format=fits&x=70.602710&y=-21.724330&size=2400&wcs=1&imagename=cutout_rings.
↳v3.skycell.0812.050.stk.i.unconv.fits']
## filters ['g', 'r', 'i']
## filenames ['stack_g_ra70.602710_dec-21.724330_arcsec600_skycell0812.050',
↳'stack_r_ra70.602710_dec-21.724330_arcsec600_skycell0812.050', 'stack_i_
↳ra70.602710_dec-21.724330_arcsec600_skycell0812.050']

```

Return

- allStacks – dictionary of 4 equal length lists. jpeg remote urls, fits remote urls, filters and filenames.
- allWarps – dictionary of 4 equal length lists. jpeg remote urls, fits remote urls, filters and filenames.
- colorImage – dictionary of 4 equal length lists. jpeg remote urls, fits remote urls, filters and filenames.

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Classes

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Functions

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RELEASE NOTES

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