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## Synopsis

Summary of Sherpa/S–Lang module functions that retrieve settings or data.

## Description

The get functions of the Sherpa/S–Lang module:

- Retrieve numerical data from Sherpa so that, e.g., they may be manipulated using S–Lang operators and/or functions. (These data may be put back into Sherpa using analogous set functions.)
- Retrieve Sherpa settings. (Quantities may be set using analogous set functions.)

Note that not all get functions have set function analogues: for instance, while it makes sense to retrieve, change, and set estimated errors, it makes little sense to put new arrays of residuals or predicted model amplitudes into Sherpa.

### Summary of Sherpa/S–Lang Module set Functions

Name	Description
get_data   get_back	Retrieves amplitudes of source and background datasets
get_fluxed_spectrum   get_back	Retrieve a fluxed spectrum (counts divided by ARF)
get_errors   get_berrors	Retrieves error estimates of source and background datasets
get_syserrors   get_bsysterrors	Retrieves systematic errors of source and background datasets
get_weights   get_bweights	Retrieves statistical weights for source and background datasets
get_mcounts   get_bmccounts	Retrieves predicted source and background model counts amplitudes
get_residuals   get_bresiduals	Retrieves the fit residuals for source and background datasets
get_delchi   get_bdelchi	Retrieves the fit sigma residuals for source and background datasets
get_ratio   get_bratio	Retrieves the ratio of data to model for source and background datasets

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get_statistics   get_bstatistics	Retrieves the contribution to the current statistic value from each bin, for source and background datasets
get_source   get_bg	Retrieves predicted source and background model photon amplitudes
get_groups   get_bgroups	Retrieves grouping arrays associated with source and background dataset
get_quality   get_bquality	Retrieves quality arrays associated with source and background dataset
get_filter   get_bfilter	Retrieves filter arrays associated with source and background datasets
get_axes   get_baxes	Retrieves the energy/wavelength/channel grid of source and background datasets
get_energy_axes   get_energy_baxes	Retrieves the energy grid of source and background datasets
get_wave_axes   get_wave_baxes	Retrieves the wavelength grid of source and background datasets
get_raw_axes   get_raw_baxes	Retrieves the raw channel grid of source and background datasets
get_photon_axes   get_bphoton_axes	Retrieves photon–space grids over which models are evaluated
get_photon_energy_axes   get_photon_energy_baxes	Retrieves photon–space energy grids over which models are evaluated
get_photon_wave_axes   get_photon_wave_baxes	Retrieves photon–space wavelength grids over which models are evaluated
get_arf_axes   get_arf_baxes	Retrieves the energy/wavelength grid of an ARF associated with source and background datasets
get_analysis	Retrieves the current analysis setting.
get_coord	Retrieves the current coord setting.
get_fit   get_goodness	Retrieves information about the quality of a fit
get_statistic   get_bstatistic	Retrieves the current value of the statistic comparing source and background data and model values
get_record	Returns a record of model parameter values at the end of each iteration of the fitting process
get_flux   get_bflux	Returns the unconvolved photon flux for source or background datasets
get_pflux2d	Returns photon fluxes in 2–D images
get_eflux   get_beflux	Returns the unconvolved energy flux for source or background datasets
get_eflux2d	Returns energy fluxes in 2–D images
get_mcounts_sum   get_bmcounds_sum	Returns the sum of convolved model counts in source and background datasets
get_mcounts_sum2d	Returns sums of model counts in 2–D images
get_dcounts_sum   get_bdcounds_sum   get_net_counts_sum	Returns the sum of observed counts in source and background datasets
get_dcounts_sum2d	Returns sums of observed counts in 2–D images
get_eqwidth   get_beqwidth	Returns the equivalent width of a line in source or background data
get_par	Retrieve model parameter values, etc.

get_unc	Retrieves parameter bounds
get_proj	Retrieves parameter bounds
get_cov	Retrieves parameter bounds
get_intunc	Retrieves parameter value and best-fit statistic arrays
get_intproj	Retrieves parameter value and best-fit statistic arrays
get_regunc	Retrieves parameter value and best-fit statistic arrays
get_Regproj	Retrieves parameter value and best-fit statistic arrays
get_dimension	Retrieve the dimensionality of source data
get_exptime   get_bexptime	Retrieve source and background exposure times
get_backscale   get_bbackscale	Retrieve source and background extraction region areas
get_qvalue	Returns the statistical significance computed as a q-value
get_ftest	Returns the statistical significance computed with the F test
get_lfactorial	Returns the natural logarithm of the factorial of the input quantity
get_source_expr   get_bg_expr	Get the source and background model stack expression
get_inst_expr   get_sinst_expr   get_binst_expr	Get the source and background instrument model stack expression
get_filter_expr   get_bfilter_expr	Retrieves description of filters applied to source and background datasets
get_method_expr	Returns the name of the current optimization method
get_stat_expr	Returns the name of the current statistic
get_defined_models   get_defined_inst_models	Retrieves lists of defined source and instrument models
get_models   get_inst_models	Returns lists of available source and instrument models
get_model_params   get_inst_model_params	Returns lists of parameter names for source and instrument models
get_num_par   get_num_par_frozen   get_num_par_thawed	Reports the total number of parameters for all defined models, including instrument models
get_filename   get_bfilename   get_arf_filename   get_rmf_filename	Retrieve filenames associated with a dataset
get_dir	Returns the name of the current directory
get_verbose	Returns Sherpa's verbosity

## Bugs

See the [Sherpa bug pages](#) online for an up-to-date listing of known bugs.

## See Also

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