Lasair: The Transient Alert Broker for LSST:UK



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Lasair is currently a broker for the ZTF public alerts stream

We are building the infrastructure to scale up to LSST

Edinburgh will host LSST UK Data Access Centre

(Lasair means 'flash' or 'flame' in Irish and Scots gaelic)

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Lasair is being used (and not just in Edinburgh)







What it does

Fetching public ZTF alerts via Kafka stream

Stores data in relational database(s)

- Candidates table: every alert
- Objects table: candidates grouped into transients (i.e. same ZTF name) with metadata
- 'Rich' information: e.g. crossmatches, comments

Provides user access in many forms...





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	Search		by user feedback, so please try	it and tell us what more you need to do your science use the	Contact link.				
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Skymaps	and TDE candidates	judge star/galaxy separation. Objects discovered in last 30 days.
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Click Here to Build Your Own Filter

Filters: produce sub-stream satisfying some criteria => run automatically on newly ingested data (i.e. real-time) Queries: search database for events satisfying criteria => run at any time by user on all current and historical events

Both use SQL

"Every filter is a query, but not every query is a filter" - Roy Williams

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SQL form builder

Home	Filter the ZTF object database
About Lasair	The form below is a builder for SQL SELECT queries on the ZTF database of objects. There are three tables that can be joined in SELECT queries (only SELECT queries are allowed). See examples below. The tables are:
Filters and Queries	 objects: The astrophysical objects which consist of a series of candidates (aka detections). The object has a light curve, the candidate has a single magnitude and date.
Search	 sherlock_crossmatches: Information about each object derived from multiple catalogs by the Sherlock software. The crossmatches have a rank 1,2,3
Coverage	 candidates: The individual detections provided by ZTF each night. Each is associated with an object, which is a cluster of detections within 1.5 arcsec, and
Watchlists	presumed to be an astrophysical object.
Skymaps	For detailed information about the attributes of these three tables, that you can use in the filters : click here.
Jupyter	 The public survey uses two filters: fid=1 (g) and fid=2 (r)
Ingestion Status	 For each observing field of the survey and each of the g and r filters, ZTF will only issue candidate alerts when it has built up a reference image of that field with that filter, by stacking 15 good images.
Deleges	Once that is in place, each fresh image is subtracted from the reference, and any 5-sigma difference generates a candidate alert.
Notes	 When a candidate is within 1.5 arcseconds of a previous candidate, it gets the same object/d. Thus a light curve can be obtained from all the candidates that have a given object/d.
Team &	 More details of the processing pipeline are available here.
Contact	• Further cuts can be made to remove spurious candidates, The highest quality candidates satisfy the criterion candidates.rb >= 0.65 and candidates.nbad =
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Stored filters created and made public are listed below. Click on the name of the filter to push it into the area above.

Name	Owner	Description	Query
SN-like candidates in last 14 days	Stephen Smartt	SN-like candidates (Sherlock classifications SN, NT and orphans). Rejects Pan- STARRS star matches	<pre>objects.objectId, objects.ramean, objects.decmean, objects.jdmin - 2400000.5 AS mjdmin, objects.jdmax - 2400000.5 AS mjdmax, objects.magrmin, latestrmag, sherlock_classifications.classification, IF(distpsnr1 < 2 AND candidates.sgscore1 > 0.49, "Within 2arcsec of PS1 star", "Not Near PS1 star") score objects, candidates, sherlock_classifications</pre>
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- sherlock_crossmatches: Information about each object derived from multiple catalogs by the Sherlock software. The crossmatches have a rank 1,2,3... where 1 is considered most likely.
- candidates: The individual detections provided by ZTF each night. Each is associated with an object, which is a cluster of detections within 1.5 arcsec, and presumed to be an astrophysical object.

For detailed information about the attributes of these three tables, that you can use in the filters : click here.

The public survey uses two filters: fid=1 (g) and fid=2 (r)

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- For each observing field of the survey and each of the g and r filters, ZTF will only issue candidate alerts when it has built up a reference image of that field with that filter, by stacking 15 good images.
- Once that is in place, each fresh image is subtracted from the reference, and any 5-sigma difference generates a candidate alert.

- When a candidate is within 1.5 arcseconds of a previous candidate, it gets the same objectId. Thus a light curve can be obtained from all the candidates that have a given objectId.
 - More details of the processing pipeline are available here.
 - Further cuts can be made to remove spurious candidates, The highest quality candidates satisfy the criterion candidates.rb >= 0.65 and candidates.nbad = 0 and candidates.fwhm <= 5 and candidates.elong <= 1.2 and abs(candidates.magdiff) <= 0.1. See example below.
 - If you would like to learn the SQL language, this is a good resource.

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Click to	o edit		<pre>sherlock_classifications.classification NOT IN ("VS" , "AGN", "CV", "BS") AND objects.ncand > 1 AND objects.magrmin+1.5 < candidates.srmag1 AND candidates.sgscore1 < 0.5 AND candidates.isdiffpos IN ("t",1) AND objects.jdmin > JDNOW() - 14 ORDER BY objects.ncand DESC</pre>		
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Returns substream as JSON Populated each day (only been running for one day!)

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	Home	A watchlist is a set of points in the sky, together with a radius in arcseconds. It is assumed to be a list of "interesting" sources, so that any transient that falls within the radius of one of the sources might indicate activity of that source. Each user of the Lasair system has their own set of watchlists, and can be alerted when a ZTE						
	About Lasair	transient is coincident with a watchlist source.						
	Filters and Queries	You can create a watchlist of sources by preparing a text file, where each comma-separated line has an identifier for the source, then the RA and Dec in decimal degrees. One way to do this is with Vizier and a spreadsheet program such as Excel or Numbers. Here is an example of the CSV data. The 42 entries are <i>BL Lac</i> candidates for TeV observations (Massaro+, 2013).						
	Search	An "Active" watchlist is one that is compared immediately when new ZTF candidates are ingested, with an alert sent immediately to the owner of the watchlist. (This						
	Coverage	feature is not yet imple	emented).					
	Watchlists	To create your own watchlists, you must log in. Public Watchlists		Watchlists will be soon be combined with filters: e.g. alert when source brightens by >X mag				
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Jupyter Watchlists created and made public are listed below. Cli				low. Click on the name of the watchlist for more information a	and crossmat	ching.		
	Ingestion Status	Name	Owner	Description	Radius	Active		
	Release Notes	Cataclysmic Variables	Roy Williams	Catalog of Cataclysmic Variables (Downes+ 2001- 2006) Vizier V/123A	0.2 arcsec			
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These are 56 very close binaries of compact objects,

from "The physical properties of AM CVn stars: new

insights from Gaia DR2", Ramsay et al 2018 A&A 620A

Magnetic CVs (B>10MG). some go into prolonged low

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Name	Cataclysmic Variables
Description	Catalog of Cataclysmic Variables (Downes+ 2001-2006) Vizier V/123A
Radius (arcsec)	0.2
Active	no
Public	yes 🚽

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	Object	RA	Dec	objectId	candidates	mag range	Sherlock class
/ter	V1390Cyg_GR177	307.0971667	39.0653611	ZTF18aawbjiz	277	3.1	CV
stion	V516Cyg_S4530	311.79075	41.9240278	ZTF18aazvhdb	245	3.6	CV
us	Her_SDSSJ163605+465205	249.020875	46.8679167	ZTF18aagtesn	241	3.0	CV
ase	Cyg1_NSV25181	308.5604583	50.8016389	ZTF17aaadzll	218	2.5	CV
es	Dra_SDSSJ132723+652854	201.8474179	65.4817783	ZTF18aaieivs	200	2.3	CV
n &	V513Cas_MacCv4	4.5620833	66.30375	ZTF18abbuvtf	185	2.7	CV
tact	V1504Cyg_SVS710	292.2352083	43.0936944	ZTF18abjtwlb	134	5.5	CV
	FTCam_AntipinV64	50.3095833	61.09075	ZTF18abodmfy	127	3.5	CV
	Her_	267.0242917	34.0670833	ZTF18aajrzvj	119	2.1	AGN
	And_SDSSJ001856+345444	4.7372083	34.9123056	ZTF17aaaehqt	115	2.0	CV
	Her_SDSSJ165359+201010	253.4960802	20.169572	ZTF18aabvkix	106	3.2	CV
	RULMi_CBS-119/Ton1143	150.531073	33.8500853	ZTF17aacwmyu	97	3.9	CV
	EGLac_S4617	342.6620833	55.2477778	ZTF18abasxdk	96	2.1	CV
Input	FYPer_640.1936	70.4859583	50.71	ZTF18aabtynl	87	3.5	CV
mpat	BIOri_1.1916	80.9657083	1.0085556	ZTF17aaagyuc	87	2.2	CV
	Peg_AntipinV79	328.64025	35.8381667	ZTF17aaawerk	84	2.6	CV
	Peg_SDSSJ214354+124458	325.9774999	12.7493891	ZTF18abecurw	81	3.5	CV
	HQMon_93.1933	107.8905833	0.8685278	ZTF17aaanqyh	80	2.3	CV
	ABDra_90.1934	297.277125	77.739694	ZTF18absnnsr	79	4.4	CV

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Description	Catalog of Cataciyshic var
Radius	0.2
(arcsec)	0.2
Active	no
Public	yes

Watchlist has 1830 sources under watch

Watchlist					
Object		RA			
V1390Cyg_GF	2177	307.			
V516Cyg_S45	530	311.			
Her_SDSSJ16	3605+465205	249			
Cyg1_NSV251	81	308			
Dra_SDSSJ13	2723+652854	201.			
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The following LIGO-Virgo skymaps have been released, and are available here as fits files. Each is encoded by the event date as GWyymmdd. For latest information, see also GraceDB.

- GW151226
- GW170818
- GW151012
- GW170817
- GW170104
- GW170823
- GW170608GW170814
- GW170809
- GW170729
- S190408an
- GW150914
- S190412m
- S190405ar
- S190421ar
- S190425z
- S190426c
- S190503bf
- S190510g
- S190510g_1
- S190510g_2
- S190512at
- S190513bm
- S190513bm_1
- S190517h
- S190512at_1
- S190518bb
- S190519bj
- S190521g
- S190521g_1

All new LIGO-Virgo skymaps here

Alert to LSST:UK Slack channel when new skymap is available

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Gravitational Wave Skymap: S190814bv_4 Home The probability contours of the location of the gravitational-wave counterpart are shown below; the sky background can be changed with the selector, and the interface allows arbitary zooming. The About 9 contour lines show percentiles of the probability density: the outermost line contains 90% and the innermost contains 10%. The three checkboxes below are as follows: Lasair Coverage: shows if the ZTF survey has covered the skymap in the date range specified. Note that ZTF did not start until 20180527. Candidates: Shows the ZTF candidates surrounding the skymap and in a time window around the event time. The form fields are in days, as differences from the event time. Filters and Galaxies: Shows galaxies that may have the counterpart, with the size of the symbol as the 3D probability density at that galaxy position and distance. Queries Handy summary: Remember to click "submit" to refresh the page. Search Distance 267.4 ± 51.6 Mpc Marginalised distance Coverage -ISO Date: 2019-08-14T21:10:38.995869 Watchlists Alert time -Julian date: 2458710.382 Skymaps Source type probabilities Percent probability: BNS=0.0, NSBH=0.0, BBH=0.0 MassGap=0.0 Jupyter Position of highest probability density Ingestion max prob RA,Dec 12.8, -25.2 Status То From 20190814 20190814 Coverage of ZTF Release Notes -1.000 To 1.000 Show ZTF candidates From Team & Contact Show galaxies from GLADE doubleclick a galaxy Submit Mellinger coloured 0 Projection: SINUS J2000 😂 333.620 -15.115 27 Q Matt Nicholl **RAS Fellow** University of Edinburgh

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200 most probable galaxies

Name (NED link)	Percent probability	Distance (Mpc)
LEDA 787700	0.77	274.4
LEDA 777629	0.75	271.7
00494172-2503029	0.71	261.4
LEDA ESO474-035	0.69	271.3
LEDA 3235511	0.68	263.3
LEDA 3235474	0.65	260.3
LEDA 3235467	0.65	269.4
LEDA 3235463	0.64	258.9
LEDA 3235460	0.63	277.1
LEDA 198197	0.62	297.7
LEDA 773232	0.60	278.5
LEDA 3235913	0.58	261.5
LEDA 3235862	0.58	260.2
00485495-2504100	0.54	242.4
LEDA 3235917	0.54	293.7

Zoom in to see galaxies Area of square proportional to probability

200 most probable galaxies are listed

Click on name or yellow square for galaxy info from NED

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9 contour lines show percentiles of the probability

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- Candidates: Shows the ZTF candidates sur
- Galaxies: Shows galaxies that may have the

Remember to click "submit" to refresh the page.

Distance	267.4 ± 51.6 Mpc
ISO Date:	2019-08-14T21:10
Julian date:	2458710.382
Percent probability:	BNS=0.0, NSBH=0
max prob RA,Dec	12.8, -25.2

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Search	There are a few notebooks listed below. These and many others can be downloaded with the command git clone https://github.com/lsst-uk/jupyter_notebooks
Watchlists	 Fetching data from many sources: Transient Name Server, PanSTARRS images, Open Astronomy catalogs. (HTML, ipynb) Find transients in a host galaxy much more luminous than the host (HTML, ipynb)
Skymaps	 Plotting the path of a Kuiper belt object Makemake (HTML, ipynb) Light curves of frequently-observed minor planets (HTML, ipynb)
Ingestion Status	 Display an object in Jupyter that replicates the web page for the object (HTML, ipynb) Plotting sky coverage on Mollweide projection (HTML, ipynb) Star/galaxy separation analysis (HTML, ipynb)
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Login* to our Jupyter service and access the database with Python

Do your analysis within Lasair and output only the results!

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MOSFiT -- Version 1.1.6 (7028be609f40ab86)
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Additional contributions from Brenna Mockler & Ashley Villar
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Code: https://github.com/guillochon/MOSFit Documentation: https://mosfit.readthedocs.io

Guillochon, Nicholl+ 2018


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In [6]: # Restructure for compatibility with MOSFiT, i.e. Astrocats format, starting with metadata
       newdict = {}
       newdict[transient] = {
           "name":transient,
           "sources":
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                  {
                      "name":"ZTF Alerts",
                     "bibcode":"2019PASP..131a8001P",
                     "alias":"1"
                  },
                  {
                      "name":"Lasair",
                     "bibcode":"2019RNAAS...3a..26S",
                     "alias":"2"
                  },
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In [7]: # Populate photometry in Astrocats format from ZTF candidates
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for i in data['candidates']:
    if i['fid'] == 1:
        band = "q"
    elif i['fid'] == 2:
        band = "r"
    elif i['fid'] == 3:
        band = "i"
    else:
        band = ""
    if not 'diffmaglim' in i:
        if i['isdiffpos'] == 't':
            newdict[transient]["photometry"].append(
                ł
                    "time":str(i['mjd']),
                    "u time": "MJD",
                    "band":band,
                    "magnitude":str(i['magpsf']),
                    "e_magnitude":str(i['sigmapsf']),
                    "telescope":"ZTF",
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                    "source":"1,2"
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In [8]: # Check for classification and redshift in TNS
        tns_url = "https://wis-tns.weizmann.ac.il/api/get/"
        with open('tns-api-key.txt','r') as f:
            api_key = f.read()
        search_obj = OrderedDict([("ra",data['objectData']['ramean']), ("dec",data['objectData']['decmean']),
                        ("radius","2.5"), ("units","arcsec"), ("objname",""), ("internal_name","")])
        search_url = tns_url+'search'
        search_data = [('api_key',(None, api_key)), ('data',(None,json.dumps(search_obj)))]
        r = requests.post(search_url, files=search_data)
        # If transient is known, will have an IAU name (AT/SN 20XXyy), add such names to our objects
        if r.json()['data']['reply']:
            iau_name = r.json()['data']['reply'][0]['objname']
            newdict[transient]["alias"].append( { "value":iau_name, "source":"3" } )
            # Now check if object has a classification attached
            # Always will for 'SN' names, but could also happen for 'AT', e.g. if TDE rather than SN
            get_obj = OrderedDict([("objname",iau_name), ("photometry","0"), ("spectra","0")])
            get url = tns url+'object'
            get_data = [('api_key',(None, api_key)), ('data',(None,json.dumps(get_obj)))]
            r2 = requests.post(get_url, files=get_data)
            # If classified, add type to dictionary
            if r2.json()['data']['reply']['object_type']['name']:
                print(r2.json()['data']['reply']['object_type']['name'])
                newdict[transient]["claimedtype"] = [
                   {
                        "value":r2.json()['data']['reply']['object_type']['name'],
                       "source":"3"
                   }
                print(r2.json()['data']['reply']['redshift'])
                newdict[transient]["redshift"] = [
                                                                                        Check in TNS,
                        "value":str(r2.json()['data']['reply']['redshift']),
                       "source":"3"
                                                                                        get type and
                   }
                                                                                        more accurate
            else:
                newdict[transient]["redshift"] = [
                   {
                                                                                        redshift
                        "value":str(redshift),
                       "source":"2"
                   }
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In [9]: # Write MOSFiT-compatible json to file
                                                            Save formatted data
         with open(transient+'.json', 'w') as outfile:
              json.dump(newdict, outfile, indent='\t')
In [38]: os.system('mosfit -e ./'+transient+'.json -m '+model+' -F '+fixed parameters+
                    ' -i 500 -N 80 --local-data-only --cache-path ./cache --quiet -S 50 -E 30 30')
          # The --cache-path flag is essential to avoid permissions issues !!!
Out[38]: 0
In [39]: # Plot light curve
         filts = {'u': 'u', 'g': 'g', 'r': 'r', 'i': 'i', 'a': 'z', 'y': 'y', 'Y': 'y', "u'": 'u', "g'": 'g', "r'": 'r', "i'": '
                  'U': 'U', 'B': 'B', 'V': 'V', 'R': 'R', 'R_,': 'R', 'F625W': 'r', 'F625W_ACS': 'r', 'I': 'I', 'J': 'J', 'H': 'H
'UVW2': 'W2', 'UVM2': 'M2', 'UVW1': 'W1', 'F606W': 'R', 'F475W': 'g', 'F775W': 'i', 'F850W': 'z', 'F814W': 'I',
                  'FUV': 'FUV', 'NUV': 'NUV', 'F110W_IR': 'J', 'F160W_IR': 'H', 'F475W_ACS': 'g', 'F775W_ACS': 'i', 'F850W_ACS':
         cols = {'u': 'midnightblue', 'g': 'g', 'r': 'r', 'i': gold', 'z': '0.2', 'y': 'hotpink', 'U': 'indigo', 'B': 'b', 'V':
                  'I': 'darkgoldenrod', 'J': 'peru', 'H': 'brown', 'K': 'orange', 'G': 'k', 'W2': 'blueviolet', 'M2': 'mediumslate
'FUV': 'hotpink', 'NUV': 'cyan', 'F218W':'CO', F225W':'C1', 'F275W':'C2', 'F336W':'C3'}
         offset = {'u': +2, 'g': +1, 'r': +0, 'i': -1.5, 'z': -5, 'y': -2.5, 'U': +4.5, 'B': +3, 'V': +1.5, 'R': -0.3, 'o': -1.3
                    'G': -2, 'W2': +8, 'M2': +7, 'W1': +6, 'FUV': +4, 'NUV': +4.5, 'F218W':+8, 'F225W':+7, 'F275W':+6, 'F336W':+5
         order = ['UVW2','W2','UVM2','M2','UVW1','W1','U','u',"u'", B','g',"g'",'V','r', "r'",'R','R_s','i',"i'",'I','z',"z'",'y
         fig = plt.figure(1)
         plt.clf()
         with open('products/walkers.json', 'r') as f:
                                                                         Initiate quick run of MOSFiT
              data = json.loads(f.read())
         data = data[list(data.keys())[0]]
                                                                         using only local data and no
         lc1 = data['photometry']
         lc = []
                                                                         interactive prompts
         lims = []
         mod lc = \{\}
         n_walkers = len(data['models'][0]['realizations'])
          for i in range(1,n_walkers+1):
              mod lc[str(i)] = []
         listbands = []
         listcombos = []
          # Identify real data and models and sort by bands
          for i in lcl:
                                                                           (Plotting stuff)
              if 'model' in i:
                  if not 'telescope' in i:
                      i['telescope'] = 'generic'
                  if not 'instrument' in i:
                      i['instrument'] = 'generic'
                  if not 'system' in i:
                      i['system'] = 'generic'
                  combo = filts[i['band']]+i['system']+i['telescope']+i['instrument']
                  mod lc[i['realization']].append([i['time'],i['magnitude'],filts[i['band']],combo])
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And only took 5 minutes for OK solution

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In [1]: # List objects in queue here
        in queue = ['ZTF19abnmnrz','ZTF19abocled','ZTF19abpangr']
        # Classifications so far:
        classified = {}
        classified['ZTF19abclykm'] = {'class':'SLSN IIn z=0.092 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abcudso'] = {'class':'AGN z=0.22 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abgcbey'] = {'class':'SN Ia z=0.056 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abgcnqu'] = {'class':'CV (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abfpvle'] = {'class':'SN Ia? z=0.1 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abidbya'] = {'class':'Blue continuum (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abgjlef'] = {'class':'SN Ia z=0.058 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abhisnk'] = {'class':'Blue continuum z=0.0788 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abhhjcc'] = {'class':'Blue continuum z=0.1525 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abdkcye'] = {'class':'Unclear, broad features, needs better reduction (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abidfsb'] = {'class':'Blue continuum z=0.076 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abjioie'] = {'class':'Blue continuum, broad(?) Ha, z=0.087 (LT)}'}
        classified['ZTF19abjjyps'] = {'class':'Observed, data not yet processed'}
        classified['ZTF19ablesob'] = {'class':'SN IC z=0.056 (LT)'}
        classified['ZTF19abkfxfb'] = {'class':'SN II z=0.032 (LT)'}
In [2]: import mysql.connector
        %matplotlib inline
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import numpy as np
        import requests
        import json
        from collections import OrderedDict
        import wget
        import matplotlib.image as mpimg
        import os
        from astropy.table import Table
        import time
        from astropy.io import ascii
        from datetime import date
        import glob
        import smtplib, ssl
        # connect to database (from Roy's code)
        import settings
        msl = mysql.connector.connect()
                           =settings.DB USER,
                    user
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Early results

C-SNAILS spectra of optical transients

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Next steps...

Experimenting with new technologies for faster DB access

Scalability for LSST

More cross-matching, e.g. importing PS1 catalog to Sherlock

Automated alerts (already exist for GW) based on filters and watchlists

Machine learning light curve classification (RAPID - see Daniel Muthukrishna's talk)

Tell me what you want from Lasair and we'll help you do it!

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