

Package ‘panstarrs’

December 3, 2025

Title Interface to the Pan-STARRS API

Version 0.2.3

Description An interface to the API for 'Pan-STARRS1', a data archive of the PS1 wide-field astronomical survey. The package allows access to the PS1 catalog and to the PS1 images. (see <https://outerspace.stsci.edu/display/PANSTARRS/> for more information). You can use it to plan astronomical observations, make guidance pictures, find magnitudes in five broadband filters (g, r, i, z, y) and more.

License MIT + file LICENSE

URL <https://uskovgs.github.io/PanSTARRS/>

BugReports <https://github.com/uskovgs/PanSTARRS/issues>

Depends R (>= 3.5)

Imports bit64, checkmate, curl, data.table, httr, jsonlite

Suggests dplyr, knitr, magick, rmarkdown, testthat (>= 3.0.0)

VignetteBuilder knitr

Config/testthat/edition 3

Encoding UTF-8

RoxygenNote 7.3.2

NeedsCompilation no

Author Grigory Uskov [cre, aut] (ORCID:
<https://orcid.org/0000-0002-0274-1350>)

Maintainer Grigory Uskov <uskov.russia@gmail.com>

Repository CRAN

Date/Publication 2025-12-03 17:20:07 UTC

Contents

ps1_cone	2
ps1_crossmatch	3
ps1_image_color	4
ps1_image_gray	5
ps1_image_list	6
ps1_image_url	6
ps1_mast_resolve	8
ps1_metadata	8
ps1_resolve	9
ps1_search	9

Index	11
-------	----

ps1_cone	<i>Do a cone search of the PS1 catalog</i>
----------	--

Description

Do a cone search of the PS1 catalog

Usage

```
ps1_cone(  
  ra,  
  dec,  
  r_arcmin = 0.05,  
  table = c("mean", "stack", "detection", "forced_mean"),  
  release = c("dr2", "dr1"),  
  columns = NULL,  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

ra	(degrees) J2000 Right Ascension
dec	(degrees) J2000 Declination
r_arcmin	(arcmins) Search radius (<= 30 arcmins)
table	"mean"(default), "stack", "detection" or "forced_mean"
release	"dr1" or "dr2"(default)
columns	list of column names to include (NULL means use defaults)
verbose	print info about request
...	other parameters (e.g., nDetections.min = 2)

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
## Not run:
ps1_cone(ra = 139.334, dec = 68.635, r_arcmin = 0.05, nDetections.gt = 1)

## End(Not run)
```

ps1_crossmatch

*Do a cross-match with PS1 catalog***Description**

Do a cross-match with PS1 catalog

Usage

```
ps1_crossmatch(
  ra,
  dec,
  r_arcmin = 0.05,
  table = c("mean", "stack", "detection", "forced_mean"),
  release = c("dr2", "dr1"),
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

ra	(degrees) numeric vector of J2000 Right Ascension
dec	(degrees) numeric vector of J2000 Declination
r_arcmin	(arcmins) Search radius (≤ 30 arcmins)
table	"mean"(default), "stack", "detection", "forced_mean"
release	"dr1" or "dr2"(default)
verbose	print info about request

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
## Not run:
ps1_crossmatch(ra = c(268.70342, 168.87258), dec = c(71.54292, 60.75153))

## End(Not run)
```

ps1_image_color	<i>Get color image at a sky position</i>
-----------------	--

Description

Get color image at a sky position

Usage

```
ps1_image_color(  
    ra,  
    dec,  
    size = 240,  
    output_size = NULL,  
    filters = "grizy",  
    format = "jpg"  
)
```

Arguments

ra	ra position in degrees
dec	dec position in degrees
size	extracted image size in pixels (0.25 arcsec/pixel)
output_size	output (display) image size in pixels (default = size). output_size has no effect for fits format images.
filters	string with filters to include
format	data format (options are "jpg", "png")

Value

the image url

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ps1_image_color(ra = 83.633210, dec = 22.014460, size = 1280, filters="grz")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ps1_image_gray	<i>Get grayscale image at a sky position</i>
----------------	--

Description

Get grayscale image at a sky position

Usage

```
ps1_image_gray(  
    ra,  
    dec,  
    size = 240,  
    output_size = NULL,  
    filter = "g",  
    format = "jpg"  
)
```

Arguments

ra	ra position in degrees
dec	dec position in degrees
size	extracted image size in pixels (0.25 arcsec/pixel)
output_size	output (display) image size in pixels (default = size). output_size has no effect for fits format images.
filter	string with filter to extract (one of grizy)
format	data format (options are "jpg", "png")

Value

the image

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ps1_image_gray(ra = 83.633210, dec = 22.014460, size = 1280, filter = "i")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ps1_image_list	<i>Get list of images</i>
----------------	---------------------------

Description

Query ps1filenames.py service to get a list of images.

Usage

```
ps1_image_list(ra, dec, size = 240, filters = "grizy")
```

Arguments

ra	ra position in degrees
dec	dec position in degrees
size	image size in pixels (0.25 arcsec/pixel)
filters	string with filters to include

Details

src: <https://ps1images.stsci.edu/ps1image.html>

Value

table with the results

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Crab nebulae image
ps1_image_list(ra = 83.633210, dec = 22.014460, size = 1280, filters = "grz")

## End(Not run)
```

ps1_image_url	<i>Get URL of images</i>
---------------	--------------------------

Description

Get URL of images

Usage

```
ps1_image_url(  
  ra,  
  dec,  
  size = 240,  
  output_size = NULL,  
  filters = "grizy",  
  format = "jpg",  
  color = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

ra	ra position in degrees
dec	dec position in degrees
size	extracted image size in pixels (0.25 arcsec/pixel)
output_size	output (display) image size in pixels (default = size). output_size has no effect for fits format images.
filters	string with filters to include
format	data format (options are "jpg", "png" or "fits")
color	if TRUE, creates a color image (only for jpg or png format). Default is return a list of URLs for single-filter grayscale images.

Value

string with the URL

Examples

```
## Not run:  
ps1_image_url(  
  ra = 83.633210,  
  dec = 22.014460,  
  size = 1280,  
  format = "jpg",  
  filters = "grz",  
  color = T)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

ps1_mast_resolve	<i>Get the RA and Dec for an object using the MAST name resolver</i>
------------------	--

Description

Get the RA and Dec for an object using the MAST name resolver

Usage

```
ps1_mast_resolve(name)
```

Arguments

name	Name of object
------	----------------

Value

list of ra, decl

Examples

```
## Not run:
ps1_mast_resolve('Acrux')

## End(Not run)
```

ps1_metadata	<i>Metadata from PSI</i>
--------------	--------------------------

Description

Return metadata for the specified catalog and table

Usage

```
ps1_metadata(table = "mean", release = "dr2")
```

Arguments

table	"mean", "stack", "forced_mean" or "detection"
release	"dr1" or "dr2"(default)

Value

Returns data.frame with columns: name, type, description

Examples

```
## Not run:
ps1_metadata()

## End(Not run)
```

ps1_resolve

Get the RA and Dec for objects from PanSTARRS catalog.

Description

Only works for "north" objects with decl > -30. For all objects see function 'ps1_mast_resolve'.

Usage

```
ps1_resolve(target_names, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

target_names character vector of target names (see example)
 verbose print info about request

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
## Not run:
ps1_resolve(c('Andromeda', "SN 2005D", 'Antennae', 'ANTENNAE'))

## End(Not run)
```

ps1_search

Do a general search of the PS1 catalog (possibly without ra/dec/radius)

Description

Do a general search of the PS1 catalog (possibly without ra/dec/radius)

Usage

```
ps1_search(
  table = c("mean", "stack", "detection", "forced_mean"),
  release = c("dr2", "dr1"),
  columns = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

table	"mean", "stack", "detection" or "forced_mean"
release	"dr1" or "dr2"(default)
columns	list of column names to include (NULL means use defaults)
verbose	print info about request
...	other parameters (e.g., nDetections.min = 2).

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
## Not run:
ps1_search(
  table='detection',
  release='dr2',
  objid = '190361393344112894')

ps1_search(
  table='mean',
  release='dr2',
  objid = '190361393344112894',
  columns = c('objName', 'raMean', 'decMean', 'rMeanPSFMag'))

## End(Not run)
```

Index

ps1_cone, [2](#)
ps1_crossmatch, [3](#)
ps1_image_color, [4](#)
ps1_image_gray, [5](#)
ps1_image_list, [6](#)
ps1_image_url, [6](#)
ps1_mast_resolve, [8](#)
ps1_metadata, [8](#)
ps1_resolve, [9](#)
ps1_search, [9](#)