# Data Access FAQ

## Frequently asked Questions about GLAST Data Access

## General questions

- How do I download a single file from a Monte Carlo task?
- How do I tell the skimmer which datasets to read?
- Why does the dataCatalog say a particular file is empty (when it really isn't)?
- How do I add a FAQ to this list?
- I want to analyze some data from a specific Monte Carlo task, how do I do that?
- What are "Key Locations" in the data catalog
- How do I extract selected real data for use with WIRED and FRED?
- How do I easily add multiple ROOT files stored in xrootd to a TChain?
- Manually extracting a task's data from xroot

## Astro Server FAQ

- What data are available from the Astro Server?
- What expert options are available for the Astro Server?
- How are astronomical objects looked up?
- How should I report problems with the Astro Server?
- Is there a command line interface to the astro server?

## FITS Skimmer FAQ

- What cuts can I make using the Fits Skimmer?
- What expert options are available for the Fits Skimmer?
- How do I specify Datacat Criteria?

## Merit Skimmer FAQ

- Is there documentation on the skimmer backend?
- What expert options are available with the Merit Skimmer?
- How do I specify a TCut?
- How do I specify Datacat Criteria?

## See Also

- Data Catalog Users Guide
- Pipeline Users Guide
- Pipeline FAQ
- Skimmer User's Guide