

Cosmology from gravitational lensing or: How I learned to keep worrying but love photometric redshifts

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What goes up keeps getting faster!



How to survey Dark Energy



sensitive to expansion

growth of structure sensitive to

How to survey Dark Energy



Planck CMB temperature z=1100 δ of O(10⁻⁵)

z=0 – δ of O(1)

Credit: Ralf Kaehler, Carter Emmart, Tom Abel, Oliver Hahn / KIPAC

Are the structures found in the evolved Universe explained by primordial fluctuations growing in ΛCDM?

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Need to measure galaxy shapes and redshift distributions



0.1deg 1.5 Mpc

Source: LSST Science Book

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RXC J2248.7-4431, z=0.35; DG+2014

Is there evidence for tension from gravitational lensing?



- recent studies have claimed 2-3 σ offset from Planck CMB in Ω_m - σ_8 but see Troxel&Krause, DG+2018
- interpretations differ statistical fluke, systematics, crack in ΛCDM?

The Dark Energy Survey

- 5000 sq. deg. survey in grizY from Blanco @ CTIO, 10 exposures, 5.5 years, >400 scientists
- Primary goal: dark energy equation of state
- Probes: Large scale structure, Supernovae, Cluster counts, Gravitational lensing
- Status:
 - Y1 (1500 sq. deg, 40% depth):
 key results published / in internal review
 - Y3 (5000 sq. deg, 50% depth):
 data processed, vetting catalogs
 - Y5: data taking finished (90% depth)
 - Y6: homogeneous survey at planned depth

basic Y3 data released 01/10/18 full Y1 value added data released 10/01/18



1) Cosmology from two-point correlations







2) Measuring the non-Gaussian PDF of matter density

Cosmology from matter/galaxy PDF: skewness of matter density

- Lensing + counts in cells jointly constrain:
 - Cosmology
 - Bias + Stochasticity
 - Skewness of matter density: $S_3 \equiv \frac{\langle \delta^3 \rangle}{\langle \delta^2 \rangle^2}$
- Skewness adds significant constraining power



3) Cosmology from counting peaks = Clusters of galaxies

Cluster cosmology requires mass calibration from lensing

- Cluster cosmology is limited by uncertain mass-observable relation (MOR)
- Large area lensing surveys are now by far the best way of calibrating the MOR
- Uncertainties are now limited by modeling and photo-z



Source of systematic	SV Amplitude uncertainty	Y1 Amplitude Uncertainty
Shear measurement	4%	1.7%
Photometric redshifts	3%	2.6% photo-z
Modeling systematics	2%	0.73%
Cluster triaxiality	2%	2.0% modeling
Line-of-sight projections	2%	2.0%
Membership dilution + miscentering	$\leqslant 1\%$	0.78%
Total Systematics	6.1%	4.3%
Total Statistical	9.4%	2.4%
Total	11.2%	5.0%

DES Y1 cluster cosmology

- Cosmology constraints from clusters in DES Y1
- are competitive with 2ptfunctions
- are almost independent from 2pt-functions
- require an X-ray derived prior on mass-observable scatter
- are widened by systematics in lensing calibration





Photometric redshifts are the elephant in the room

There is no "correct" photometric redshift estimate as of today:

- template fitting codes make arbitrary choices of templates and priors
 - no estimate for this systematic error but it's surely O(few %)!
- machine learning codes / spec-z validation uses nonrepresentative 'truth' sample
 - What is essential is invisible to the eye: these are selected by redshift, not just by color/magnitude → biases at O(few %) [Bonnett+2016, DG+2017]

just a guess Z

Photometric redshifts are the elephant in the room

See also talk by Boris Leistedt **These are really the same problem**: few-band photometry (e.g. r,i,z)

does not uniquely determine the redshift/type of a galaxy.

- the wrong prior/template affects estimated redshift distributions
- an additional selection (not reflected in r,i,z) changes redshift distributions
- there is cosmic variance in calibration a sample of galaxies with the same r,i,z has different redshift at different places in the sky

The best we can do with r,i,z, and COSMOS is |Δz|~0.02 [DG+2017, Hoyle&DG+2018]



Using, wide, deep, and spec-z fields for Photometric redshift calibration

Redshift distribution

Deep SOM

Wide SOM



Buchs&Davis, DG+, in DES review

Redshift is (almost) uniquely determined at given u,g,r,i,z, Y,J,H,K, reducing selection bias and cosmic variance from spec-z sample

Large deep sample constrains mix of u,g,Y,J,H,K at given r,i,z to reduce cosmic variance

 $p(c|\hat{c},\hat{s})$



Deep and wide r,i,z flux is discretized in a self-organizing map to handle survey transfer and selection function.

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In my 5 additional minutes...

- I would like to thank you for the past three years of support.
 It's been great.
- And note that, with less independent post-doc funding,
 - myself and others might not be here,
 - would have been less able to develop new ideas into an independent research program,
 - or voice a dissenting opinion when necessary,
 - or pass on as much to the next generation of scientists,
 - and certainly I would not have been able to put as much effort and travel into co-leadership of DES.
- I know there are reasons for the cuts, but I doubt they justify the damage caused by reducing independent fellowships.
 Science requires people with ideas, in addition to instruments.

Summary

 Precise & accurate measurements of cosmic structure with lensing in DES allow multiple, competitive, novel tests of our cosmological model.

The results are intriguing now and will only get better.

- For the next generation of science to succeed, we will have to improve on systematics, in particular redshift distributions. Use deep field photometry to leverage (scarce) redshift information!
- For the next generation of scientists to succeed, we will need funding for independent post-doctoral fellowships.