

Image reduction using *The Tractor*; and the Legacy Surveys

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Conclusions

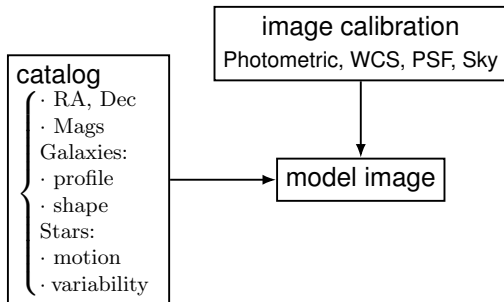
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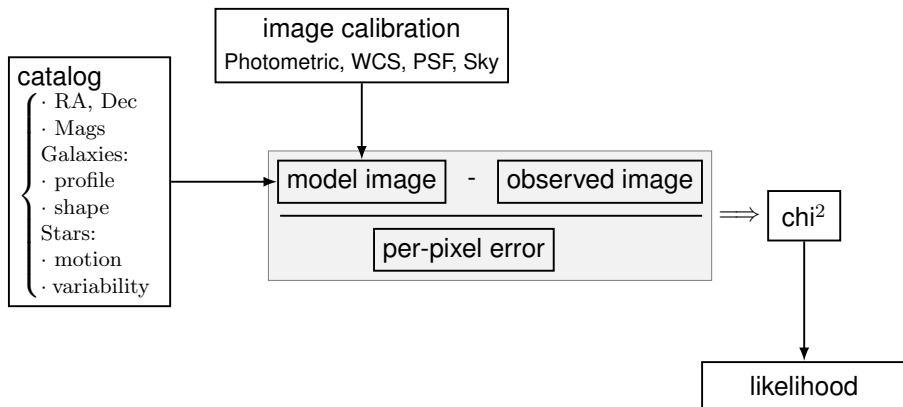
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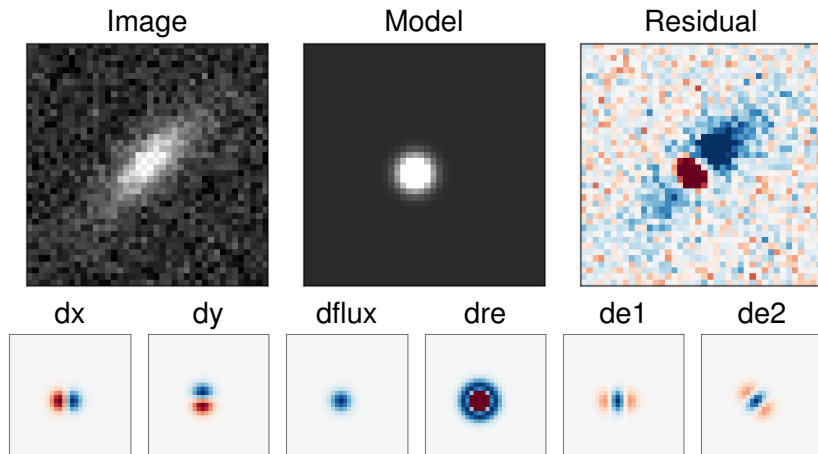
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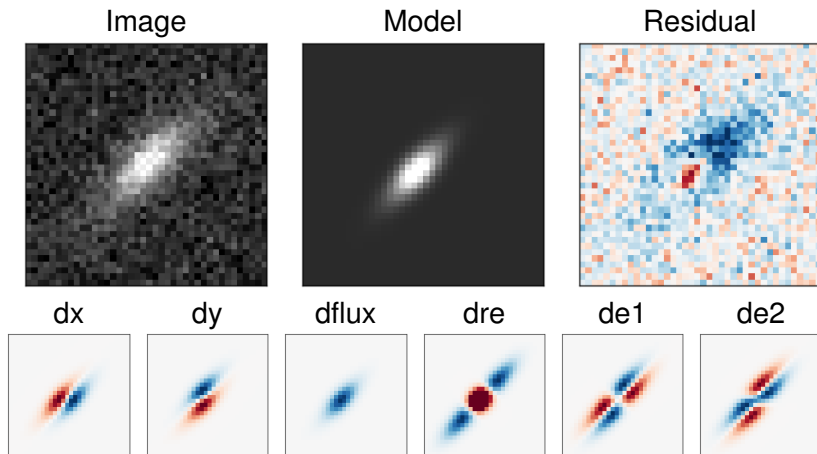


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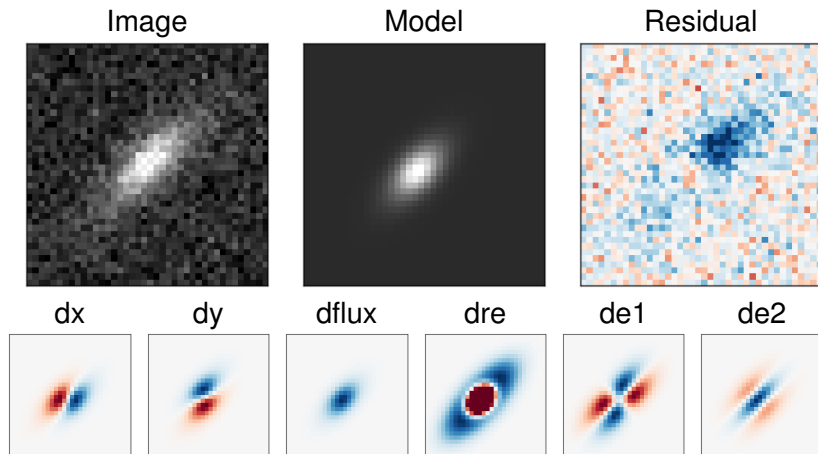
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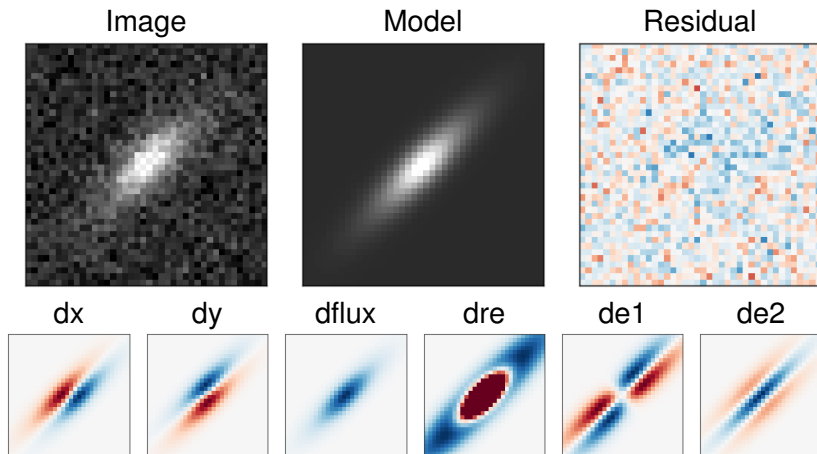
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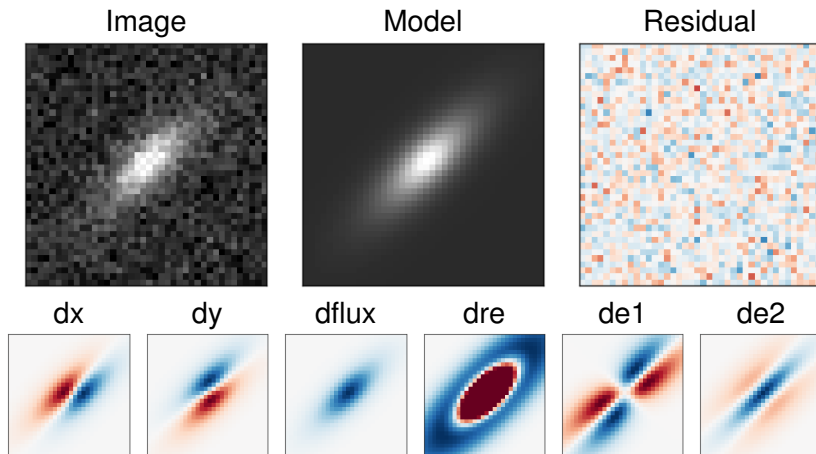
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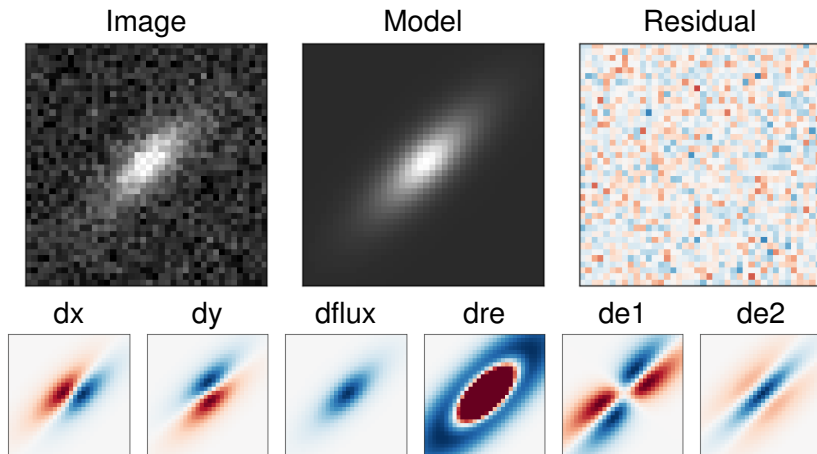
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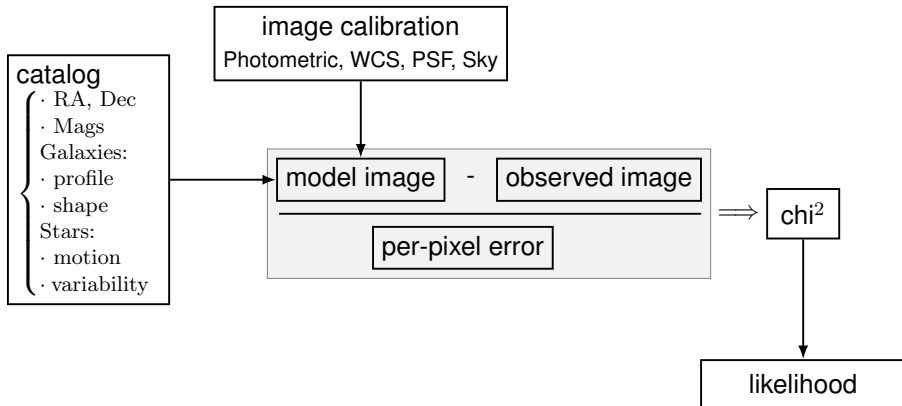
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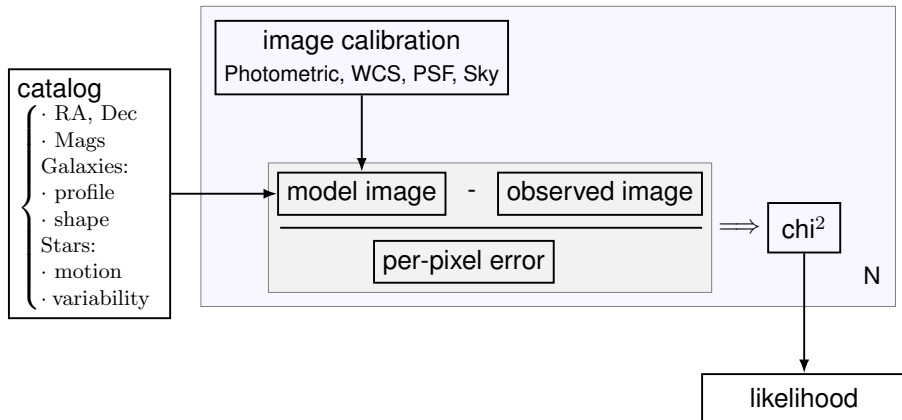
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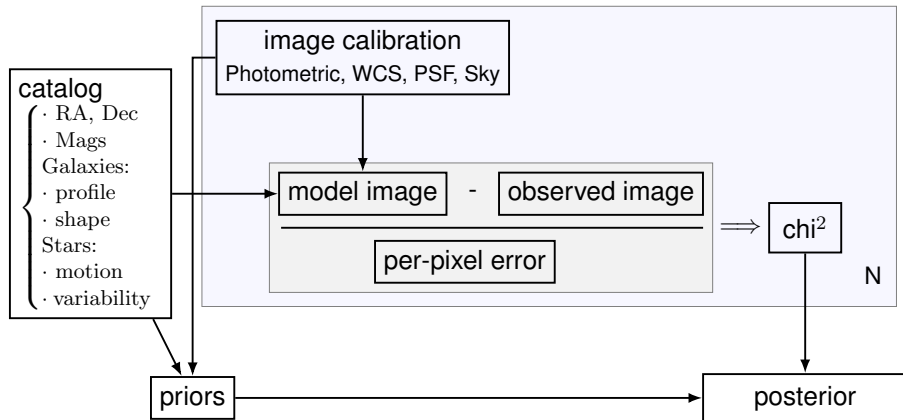
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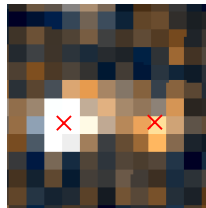


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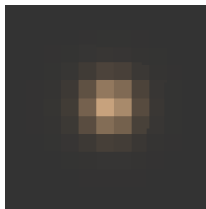
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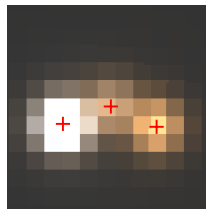
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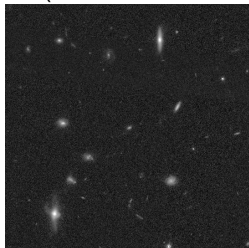


Full Model



Example: Forced photometry for Euclid

“VIS” (from ACS F814W)

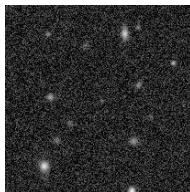


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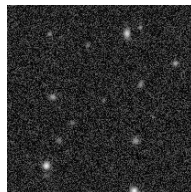
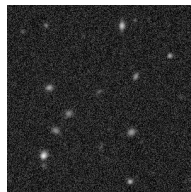
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DECam z

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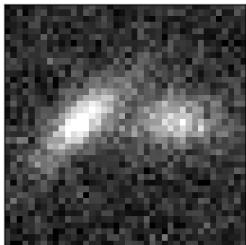


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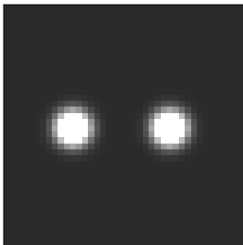


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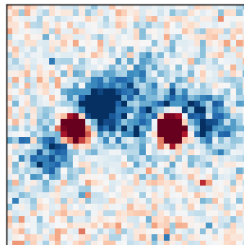
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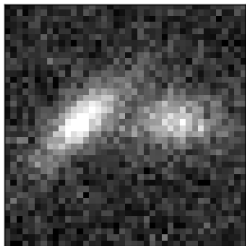


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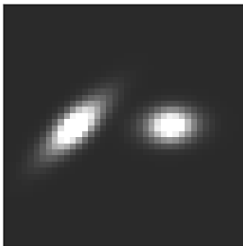


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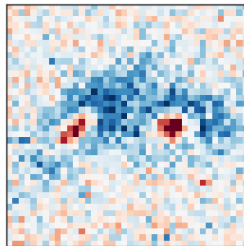
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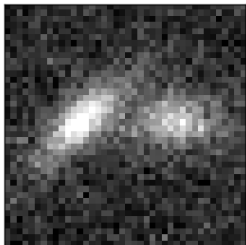


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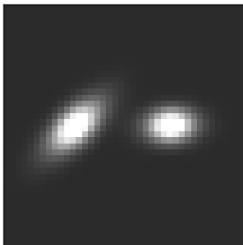


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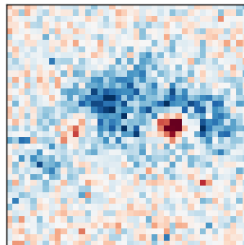
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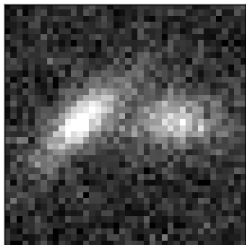


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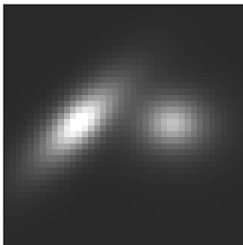


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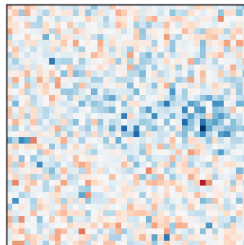
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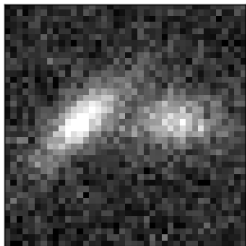


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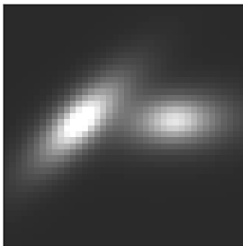


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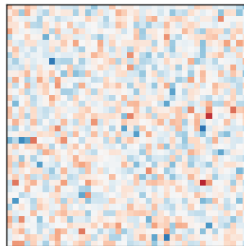
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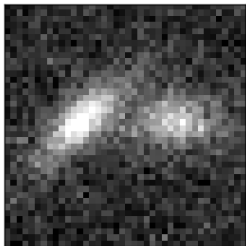


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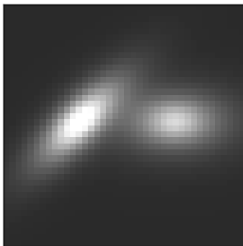


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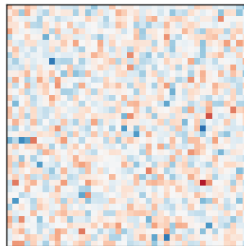
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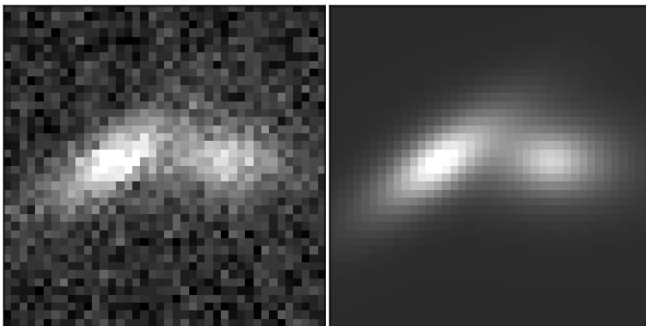
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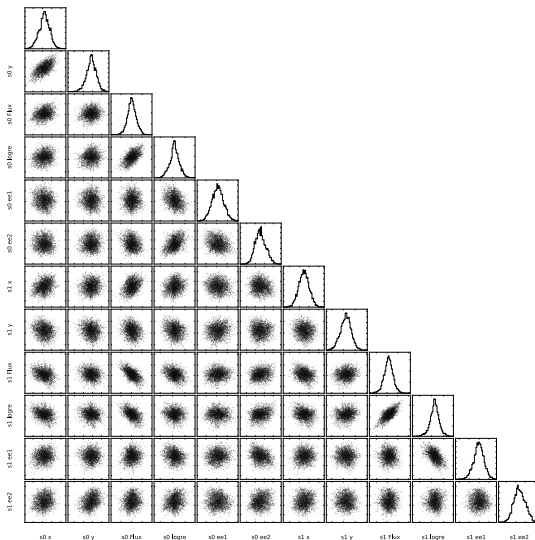
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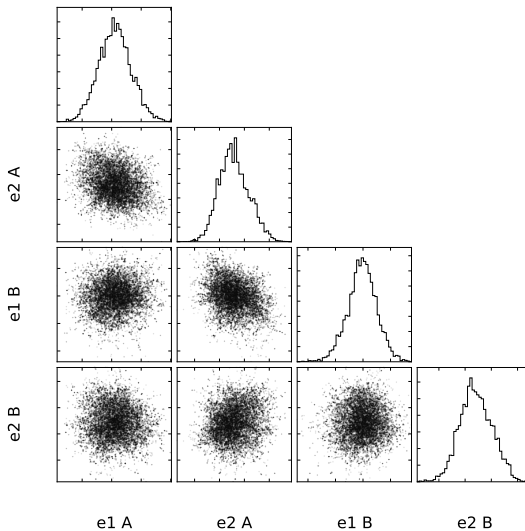
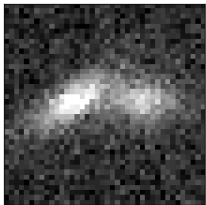
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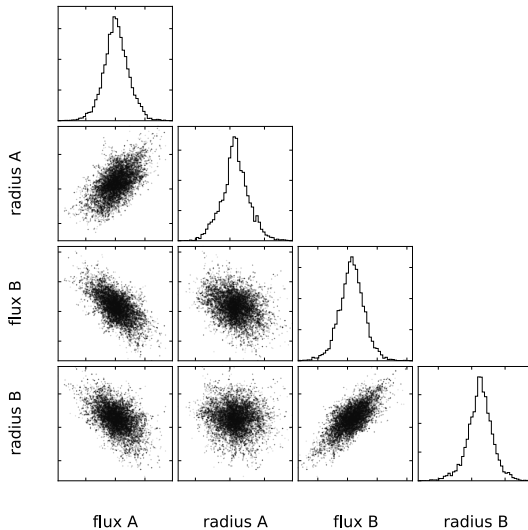
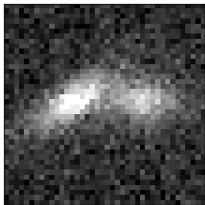
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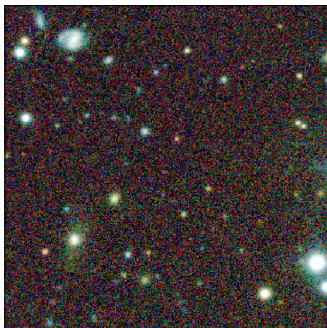


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the Legacy Survey family (legacysurvey.org)

- ▶ Public imaging surveys, g , r , z , WISE, for DESI targeting ($g \sim 24.7$, $r \sim 23.9$, $z \sim 23$)
- ▶ All raw data immediately public; reduced $\sim$ semi-annually
- ▶ Code: github.com/legacysurvey, Viewer legacysurvey.org/viewer
- ▶ Equatorial sky: **DECam** (Blanco 4 m)
- ▶ Northern sky: **Mosaic** (Mayall 4 m) + **90-Prime** (Bok 2.3 m)



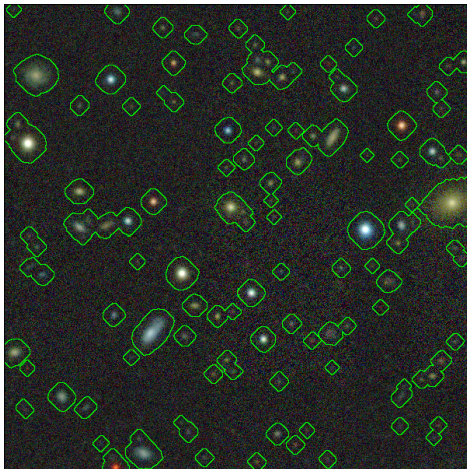
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DECaLS

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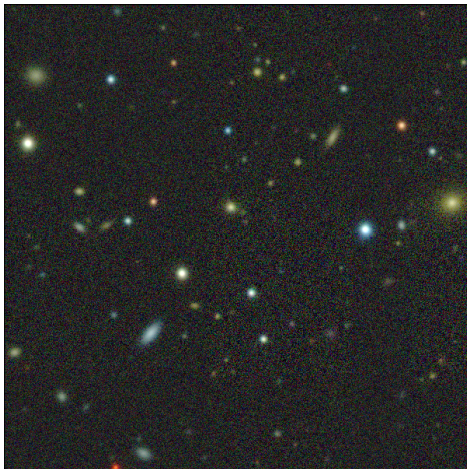
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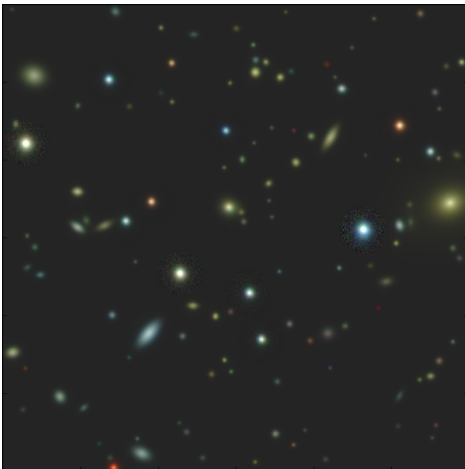
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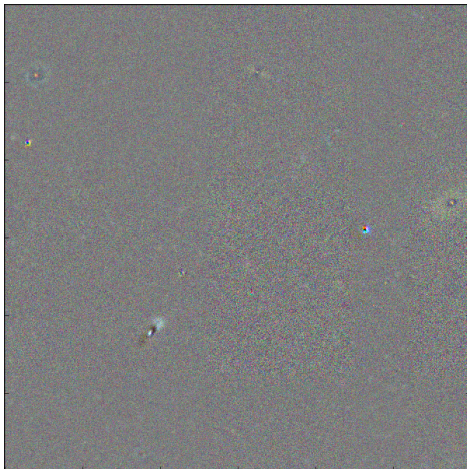


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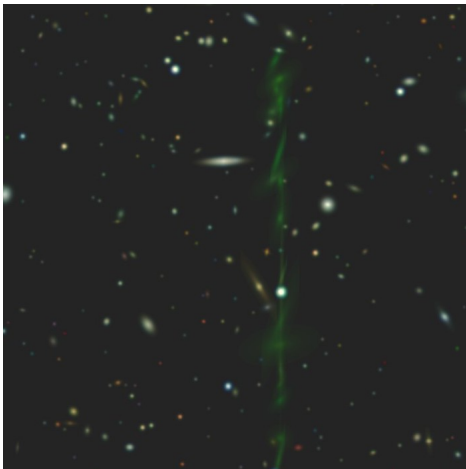


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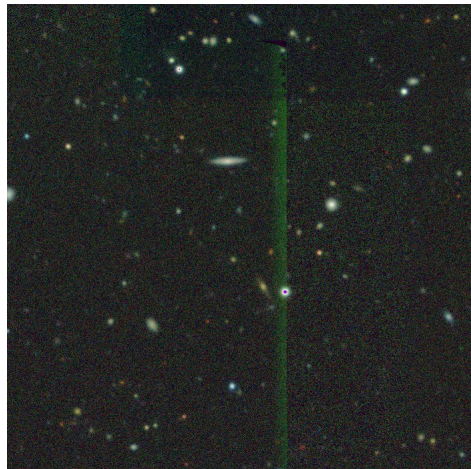


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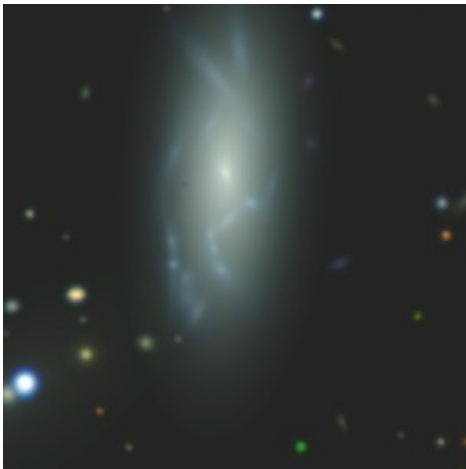


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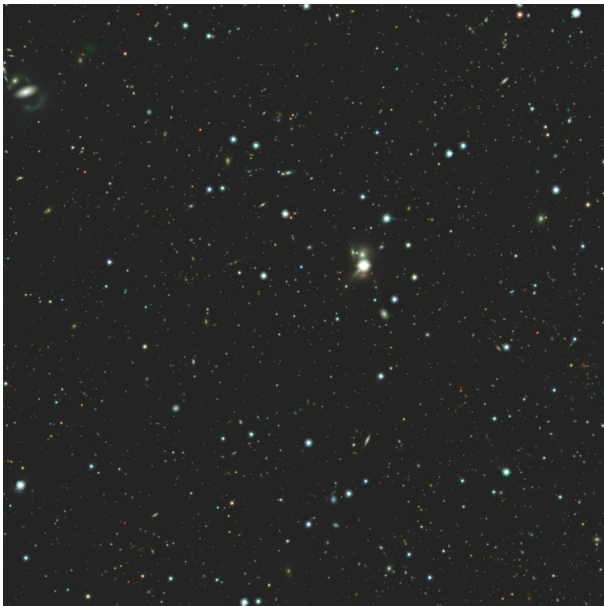
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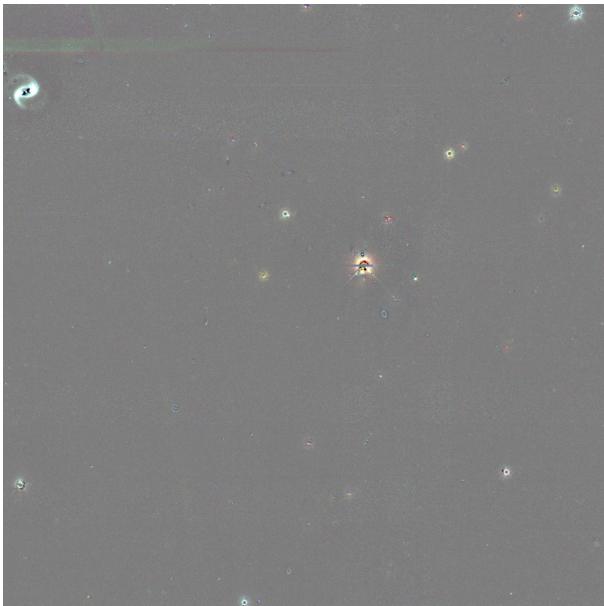
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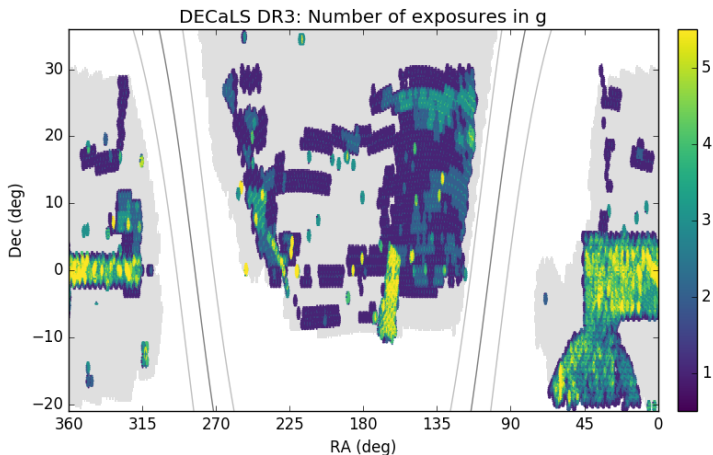


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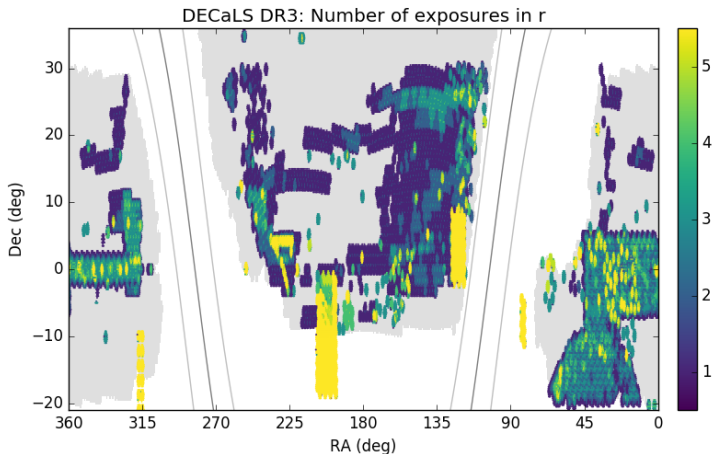
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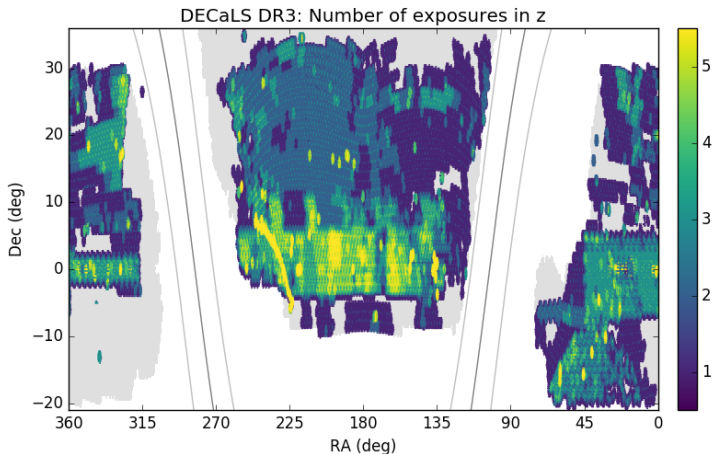
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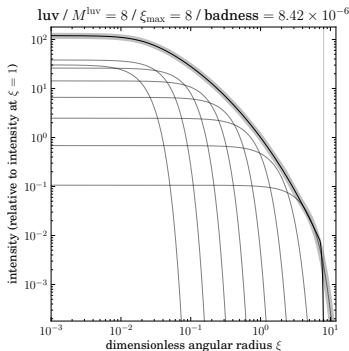
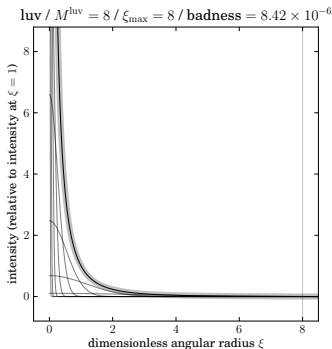
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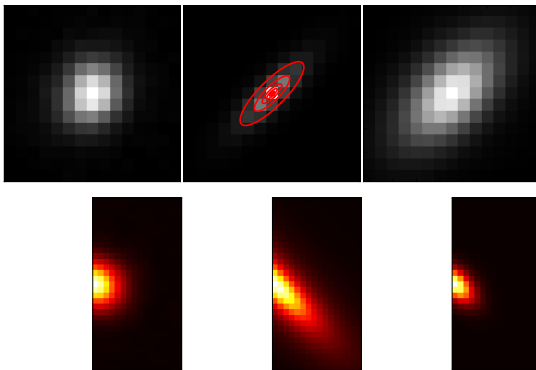
Tricks

- ▶ central operation: **render** pixel models & derivatives
- ▶ galaxies: **convolution** of galaxy profile by **PSF**
(can't do naive convolution)
- ▶ we use **two tricks**, both using **Mixtures of Gaussians**
approximations of galaxy profiles ($G_s(r) \propto e^{-kr^{1/s}}$)



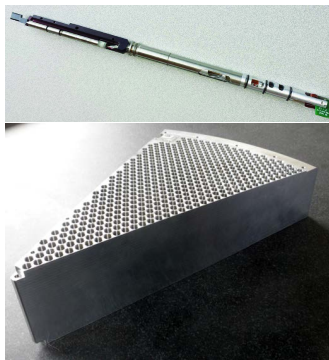
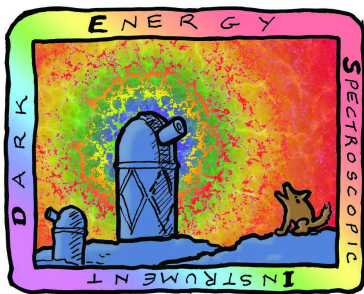
Convolution Trick #2

- ▶ **pixelized** PSF model; take Fourier transform
- ▶ Gaussians have analytic Fourier transforms; $F(g) = G$
- ▶ **evaluate** $F(\text{galaxy})$ directly
- ▶ multiply and Inverse FFT to get the **convolved** profile



Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)

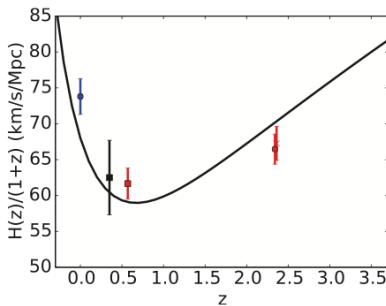
- ▶ 5000-fiber spectrograph, 3° FOV, on the 4-m Mayall
- ▶ On-sky 2018, 5-year survey. 9k to 14k sq deg
 - ▶ 4M Luminous Red Galaxies (LRGs), $z \in [0.4, 1]$
 - ▶ 18M Emission Line Galaxies (ELGs), $z \in [0.6, 1.6]$
 - ▶ 2M tracer QSOs, $z < 2.1$ plus 0.7M Ly- α QSOs, $z > 2.1$



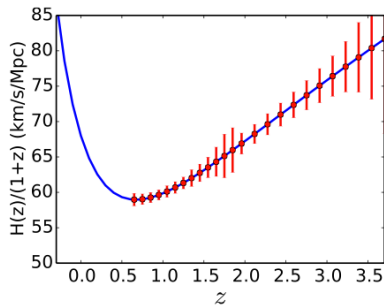
Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)

BAO in many redshift slices to nail down the growth history

Before DESI

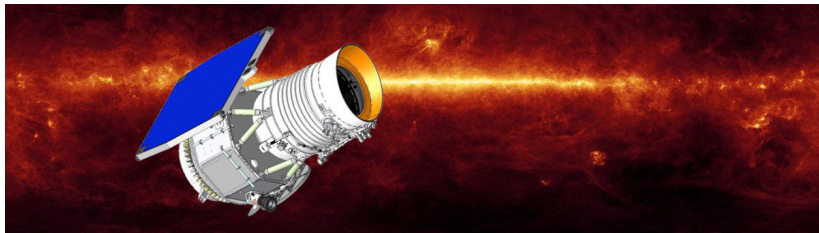


DESI



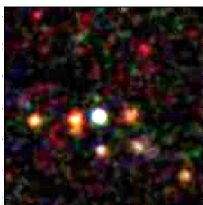
WISE Satellite

- ▶ **W**ide-field **I**nfrared **S**urvey **E**xplorer
- ▶ Mid-infrared: W1 (3.4μ), W2 (4.6μ), W3 (12μ), W4 (22μ)
- ▶ Primary survey: 2010-2011; reactivated for more in 2014!
- ▶ **W1/W2** — median of 33 exposures all-sky
- ▶ Scans from Ecliptic pole-to-pole — 5,000 exposures at the poles
- ▶ Pixel scale: 2.75 arcsec/pixel: (7 times bigger than SDSS)

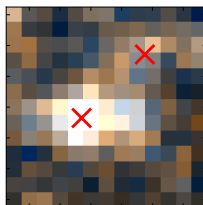


WISE photometry

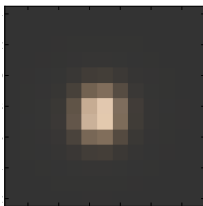
SDSS



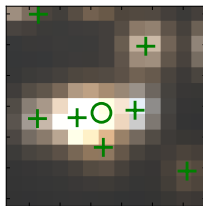
WISE



Model for one source



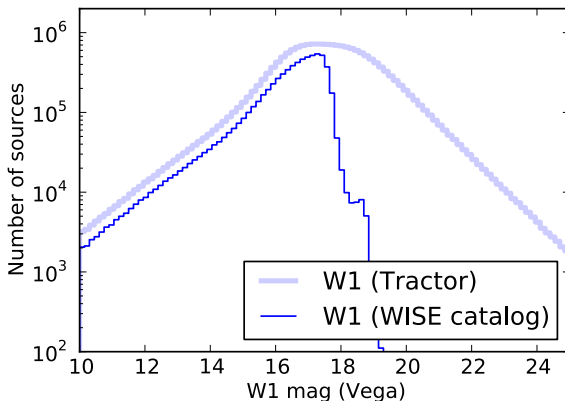
Full Model



(Targeted in BOSS W3 ancillary; quasar at $z = 2.71$)

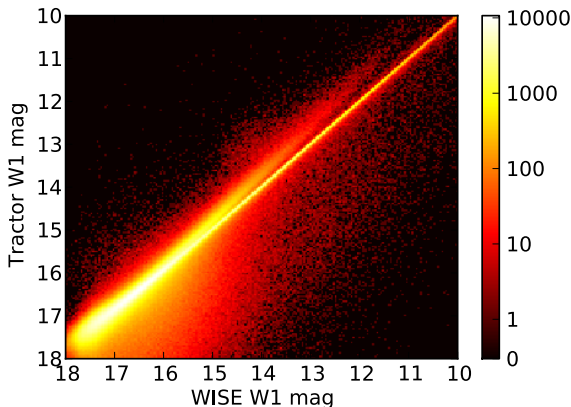
WISE Tractor photometry: depth

*We measure sources below the WISE catalog
5-sigma threshold*



WISE Tractor photometry: accuracy

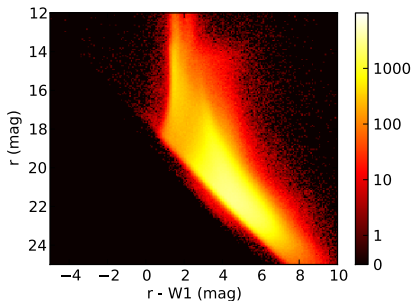
*The Tractor measurements are consistent
with the WISE catalog*



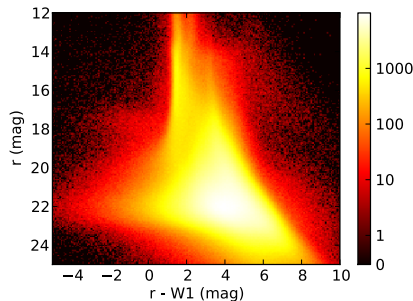
WISE Tractor photometry: depth

*The Tractor measurements of faint objects
make sense astrophysically*

Catalog matches



Tractor photometry

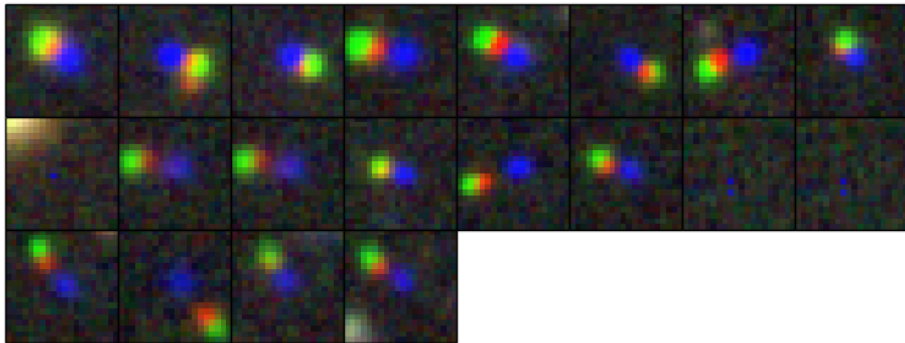


Multi-Band (SED-matched) Detection

- ▶ Example: g, r, i measurements
- ▶ Assume **flat** SED (“Vega”); estimate r flux
- ▶ g flux is an estimate of r flux; $\hat{r}_g = g$
- ▶ i flux is an estimate of r flux; $\hat{r}_i = i$
- ▶ Three predictions of r flux, with Gaussian errors
- ▶ $\rightarrow$ inverse-variance weighting
- ▶ Assume **red** spectrum (colors $g - r = r - i = 1$):
- ▶ g flux is an estimate of r flux; $\hat{r}_g = g * 2.5$
(with variance 2.5^2 larger)
- ▶ i flux is an estimate of r flux; $\hat{r}_i = i/2.5$
(with variance 2.5^2 smaller)

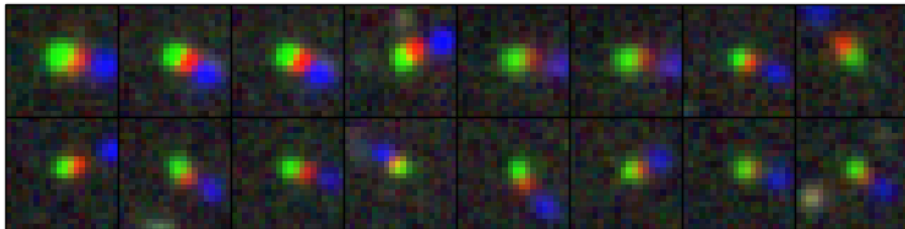
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in g-only



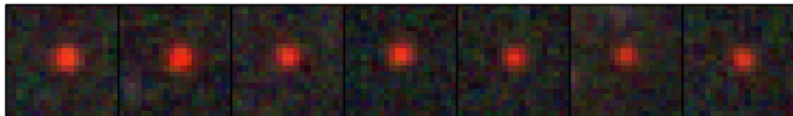
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in r-only



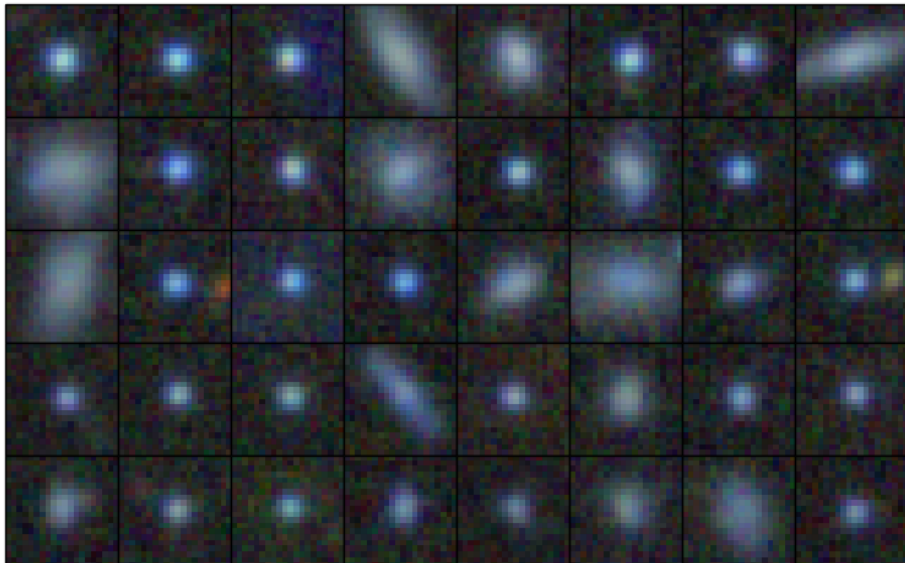
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in i-only



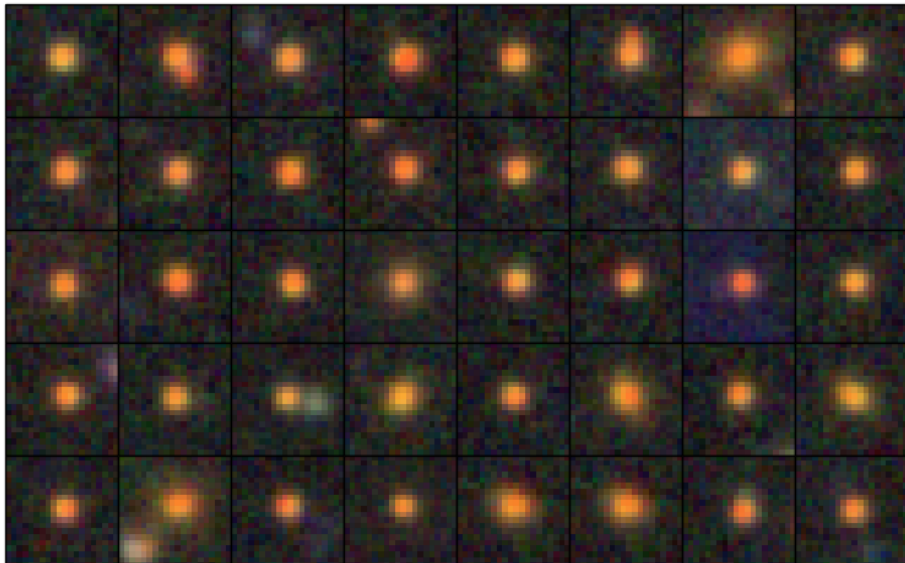
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in Flat



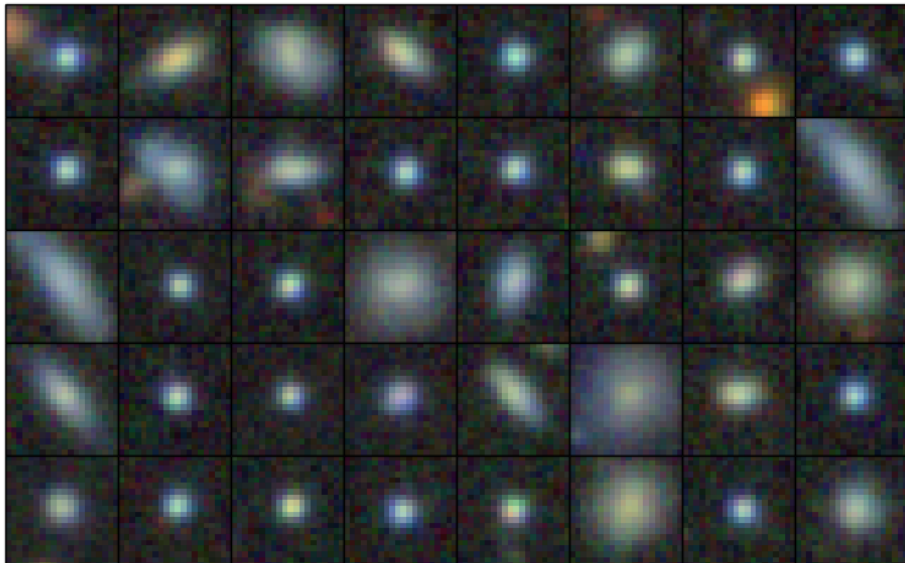
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in Red



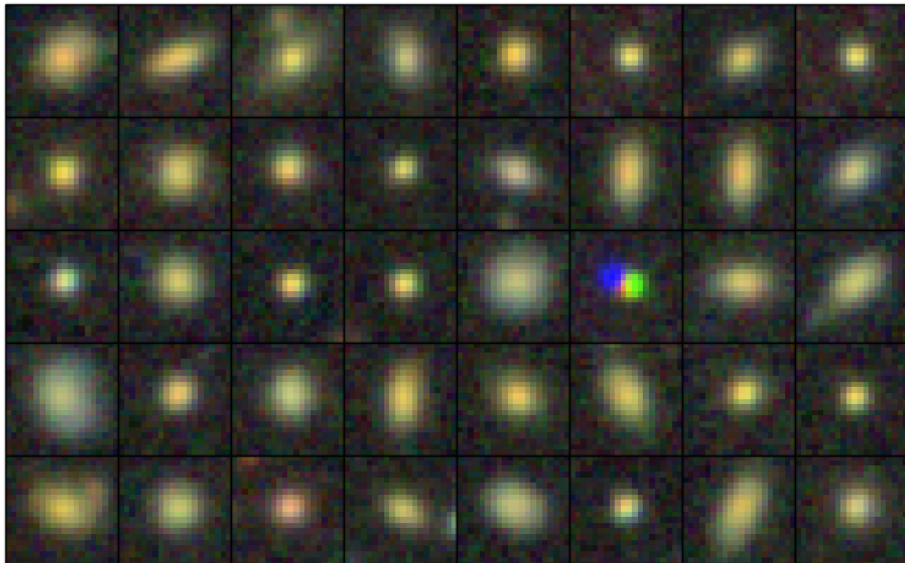
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in loc1



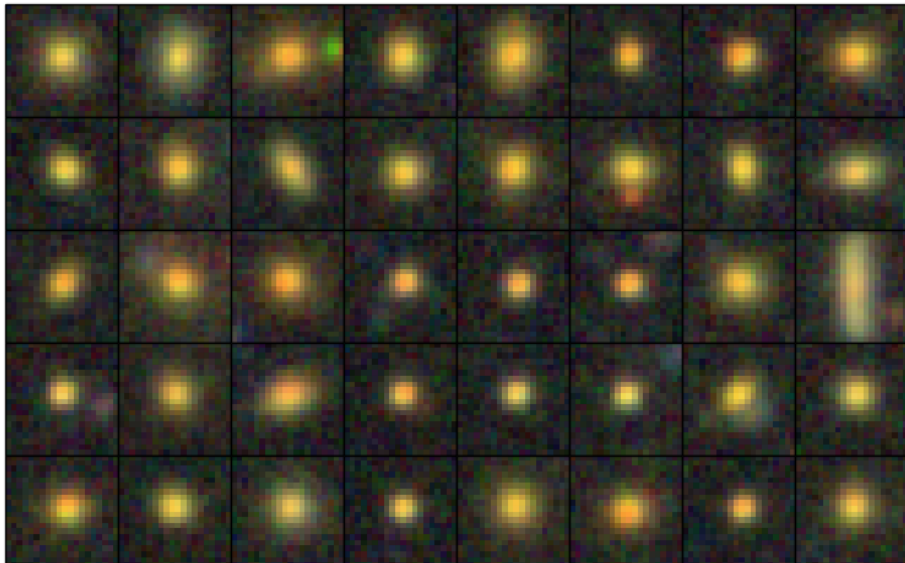
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in loc2



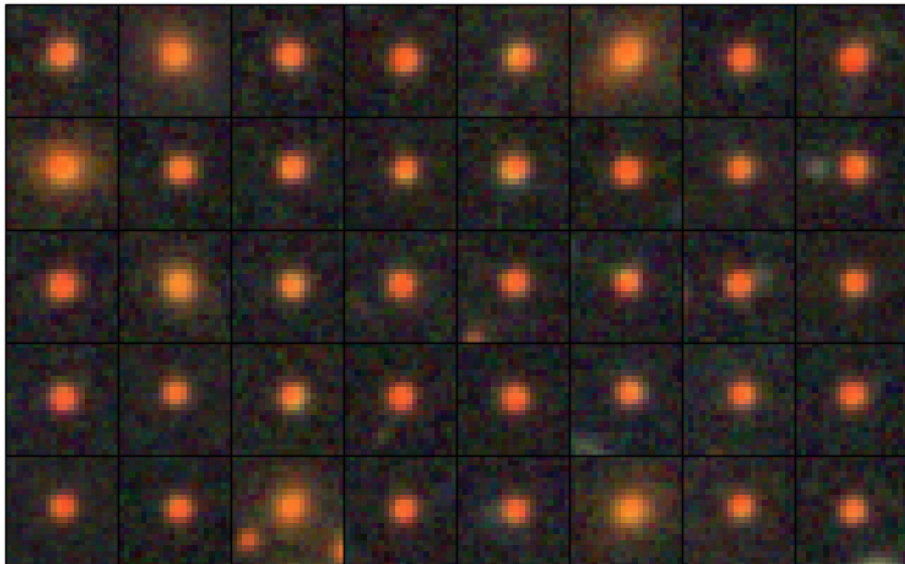
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in loc3



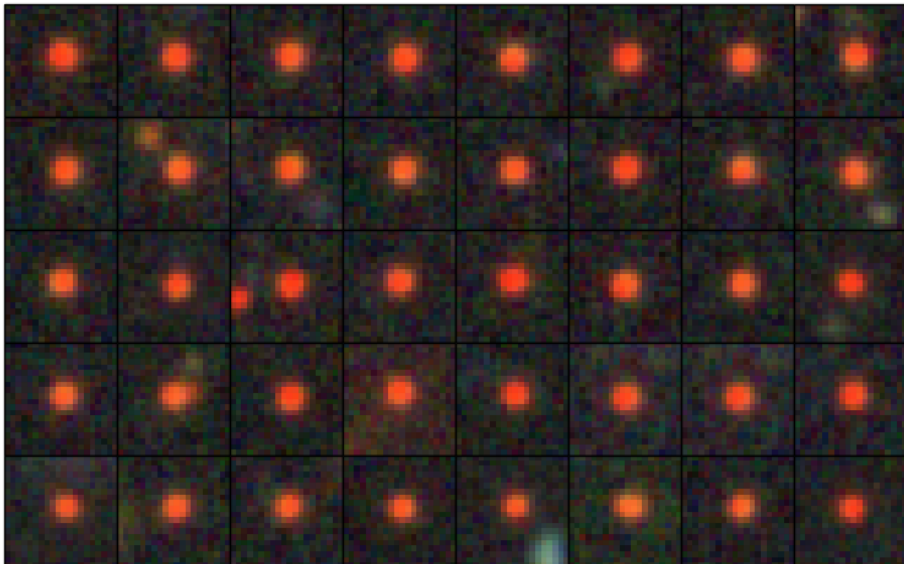
SED-matched detection

Detections strongest in loc4

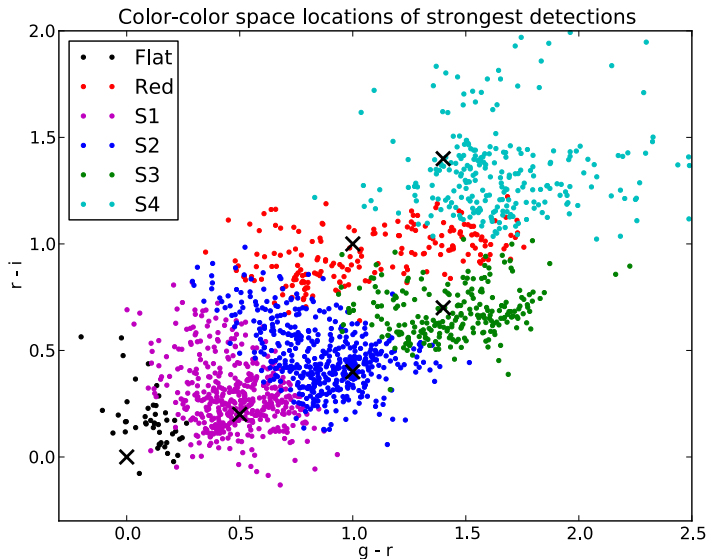


SED-matched detection

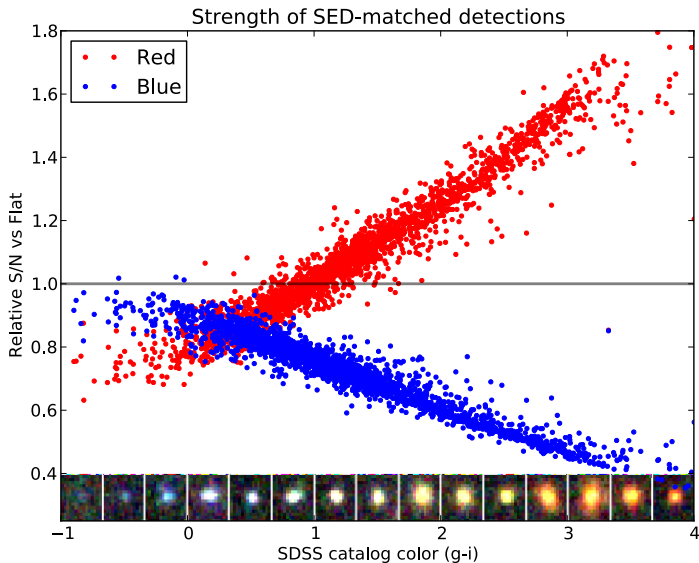
Detections strongest in Redder



SED-matched detection



SED-matched detection



SED-matched detection

Galaxy detections

