



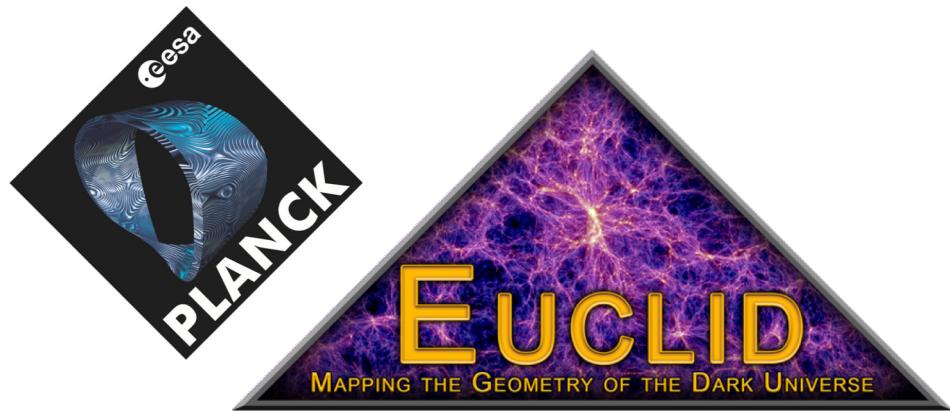
Machine Learning in Cosmology

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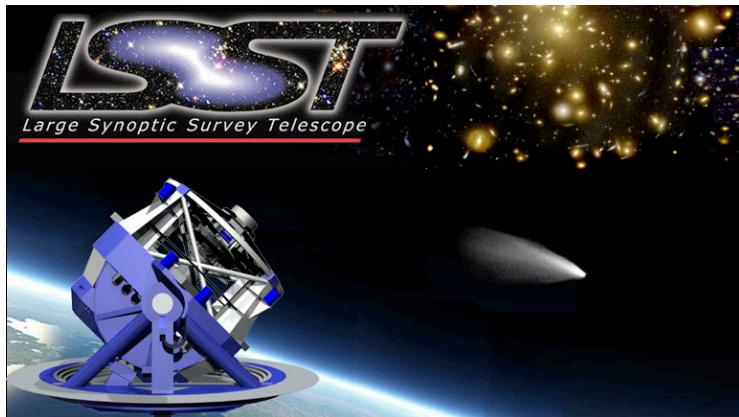
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We live in the era of cosmological data



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What makes learning from cosmic structure exciting?

We are awash in informative data – forms of Moore's law have held for astrophysical data for decades and will persist for at least another decade

Solid theoretical foundations – can formulate very good priors, often in the form of hierarchical models with strong physical motivation. We have the power of physics on our side.

What makes learning from cosmic structure challenging?

Limited information – only one universe!

Careful treatment of uncertainties

Non-linearity – affects most of the modes in the late universe

Large data sets – observational rather than experimental and often indirect

Systematics – astrophysical “contaminants,” instrumental and observational effects

Why machine learning in cosmology?

- **Automation**
 - Size of data sets (e.g. LSST will be on SDSS per week) means manual intervention is only possible in highly exceptional circumstances. Many data analysis tasks need to be automated.
- **Acceleration**
 - Machine learning can provide short cuts to costly physical simulations.
- **Superhuman performance**
 - Trained on physical models and data, “emergent” algorithms can sometimes exceed performance of “designed” algorithms.

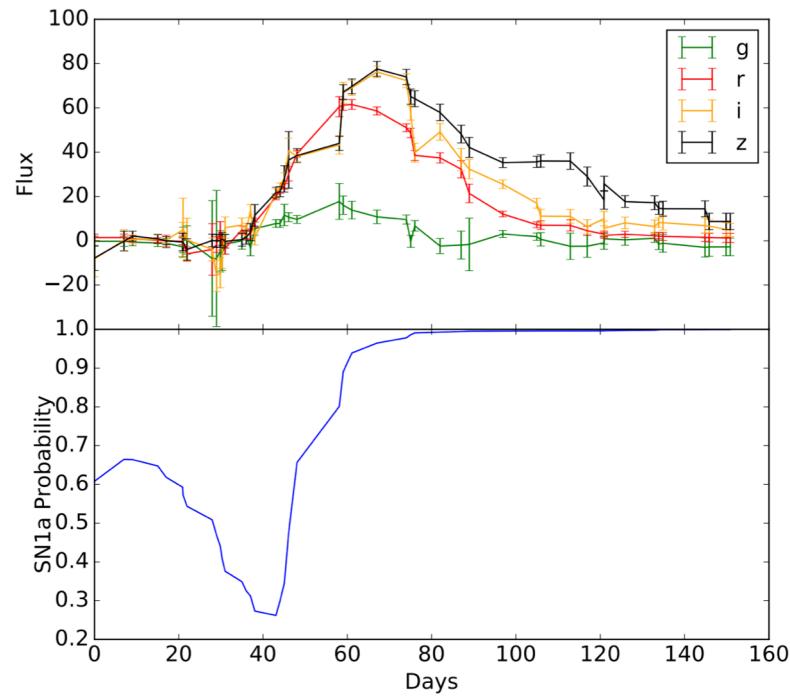
Example: supernova classification

- LSST will detect $10^5\text{-}10^6$ supernovae (SNe) in 6 photometric filters.
- Type Ia SNe are standard candles, important for cosmology. Other types are not standard candles. Traditionally typing is done through spectroscopic follow-up.
- But spectroscopic follow-up is far too costly for LSST.
- Can machine learning identify types?

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Supernova classification



Charnock & Moss (2016), Möller *et al.* (2016)

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Neural networks
Bidirectional recurrent
neural network

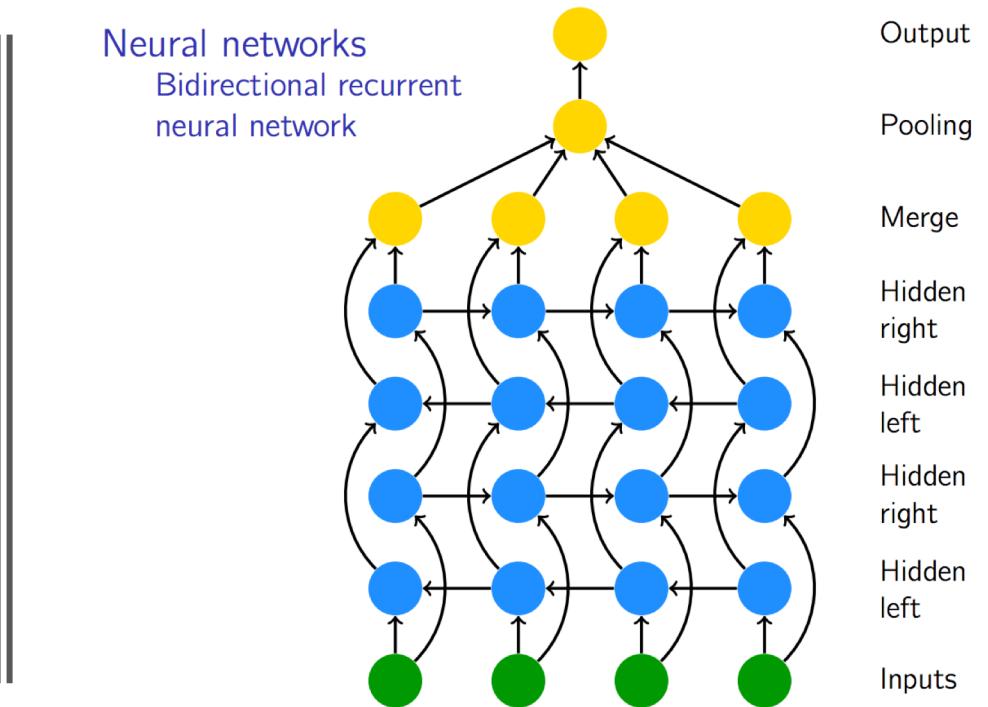
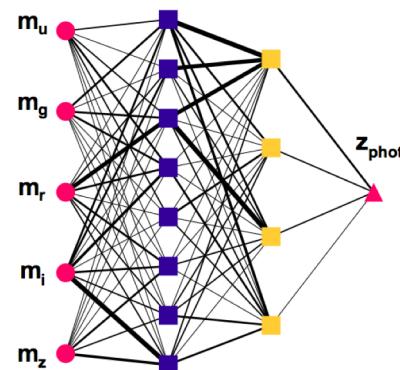


Photo-z estimation

- Estimate the redshift of the spectrum of an object from its colors.
- First serious application of NN in astronomy.
- ANNz (Collister, Lahav 2004) was best in class. Now superseded by updated versions.
- Intrinsic difficulty: *how to train out-of class data? (Discuss!)*

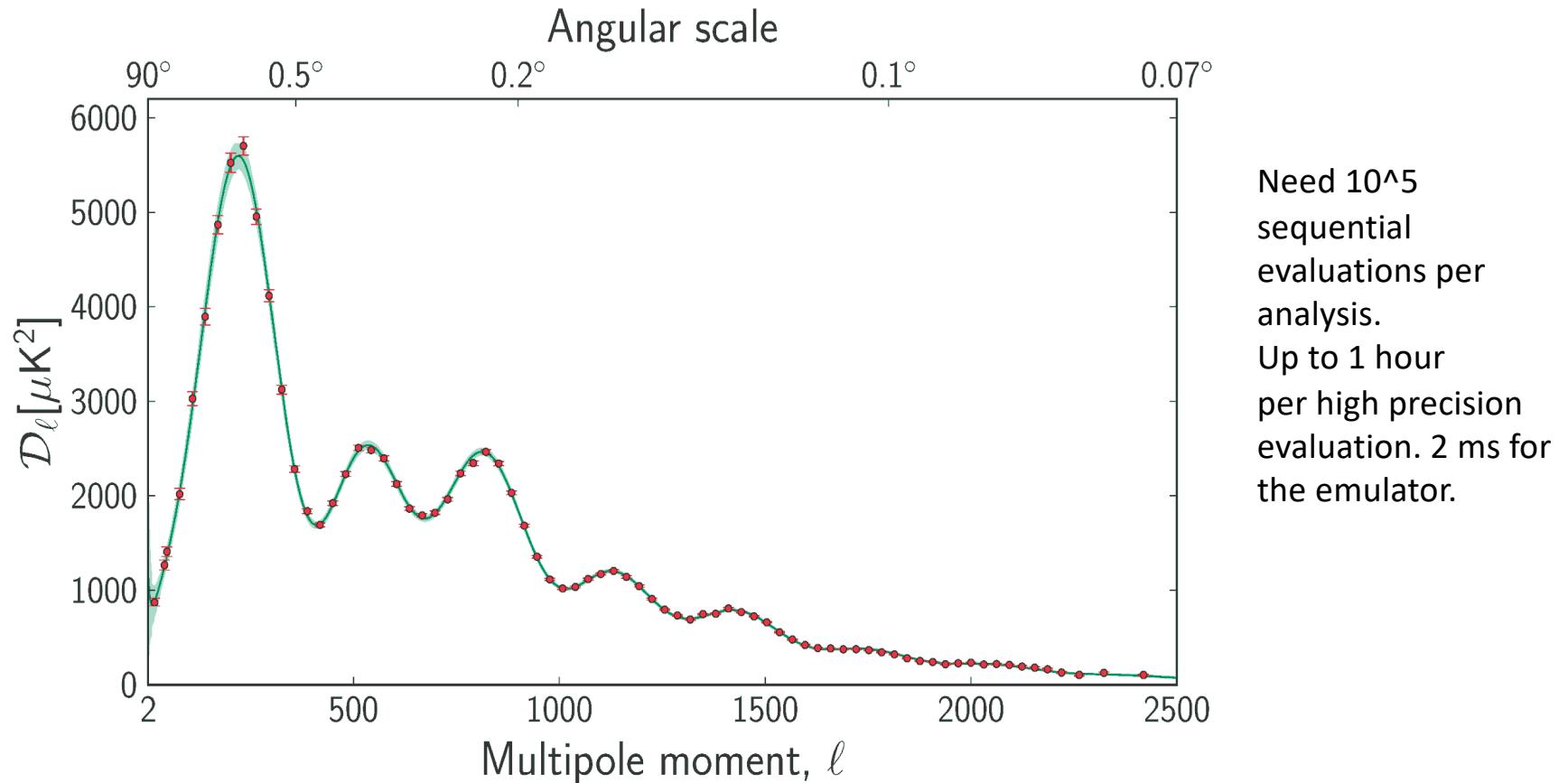


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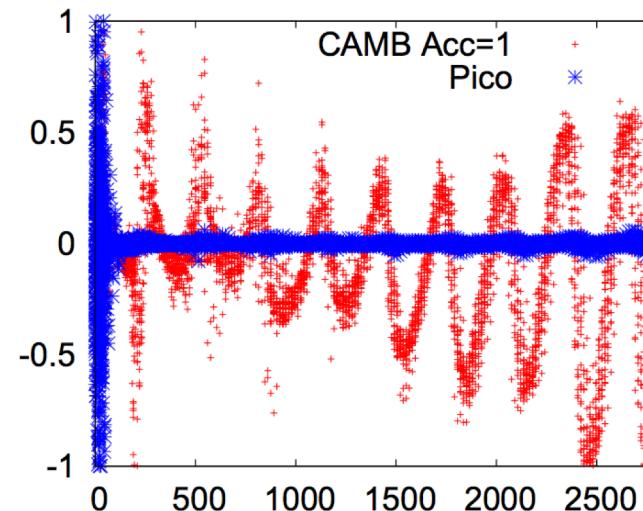
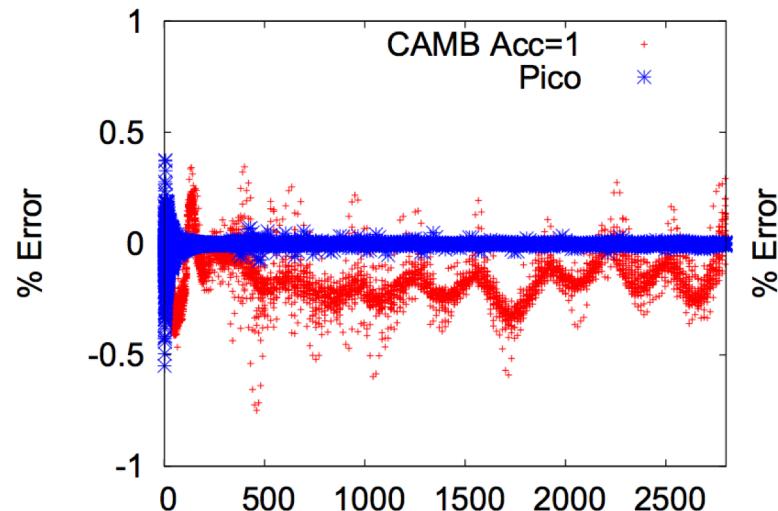
Acceleration

- **Emulators**
- Solve the problem of model predictions that involve costly computations
- First high-accuracy emulator in cosmology: **Pico** (Fendt, Wandelt 2007)
 - Acceleration through Parallel Precomputation and LEarning (APPLE)
 - PCA pre-compression of outputs – then predict compressed quantities as a function of parameters using regression.

Theory confronts Planck data – extreme accuracy required



Emulators for Speed and Accuracy (PICO)

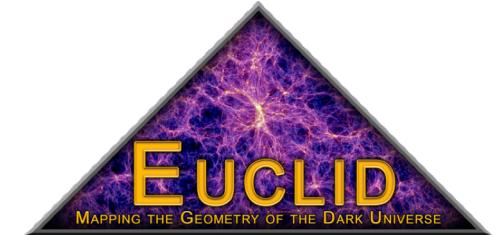


High accuracy and 10000x speed-up for Planck-accuracy power spectra

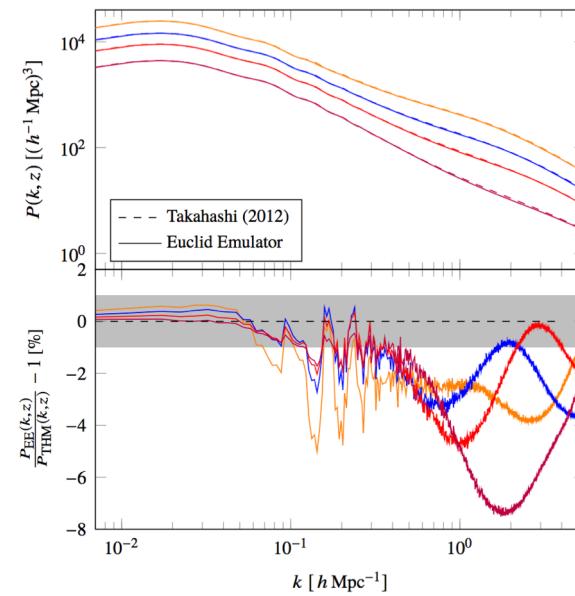
Machine learning \neq Neural Networks

- PICO does *not* use NNs – actually it's embarrassingly simple!
- Global approach for this problem is much more accurate than locally adaptive techniques.
- Better generalization, because the target function is very smooth.
- Accuracy requirement very high.
- So let's not forget trees/forests, regression, clustering, Gaussian Processes etc.

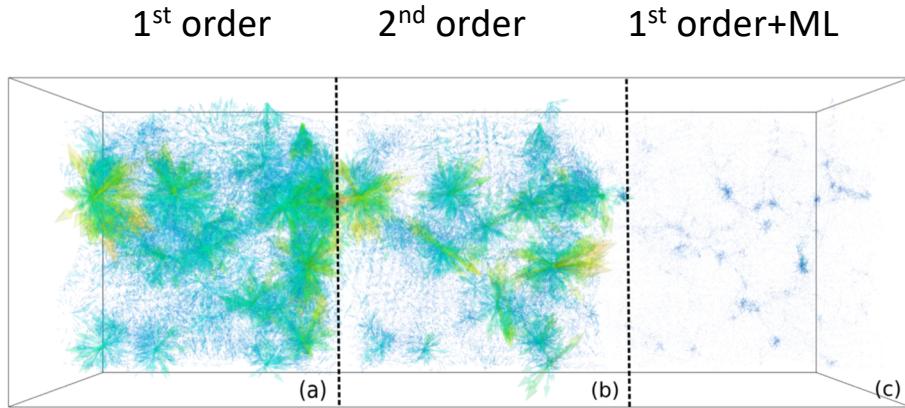
Emulators now



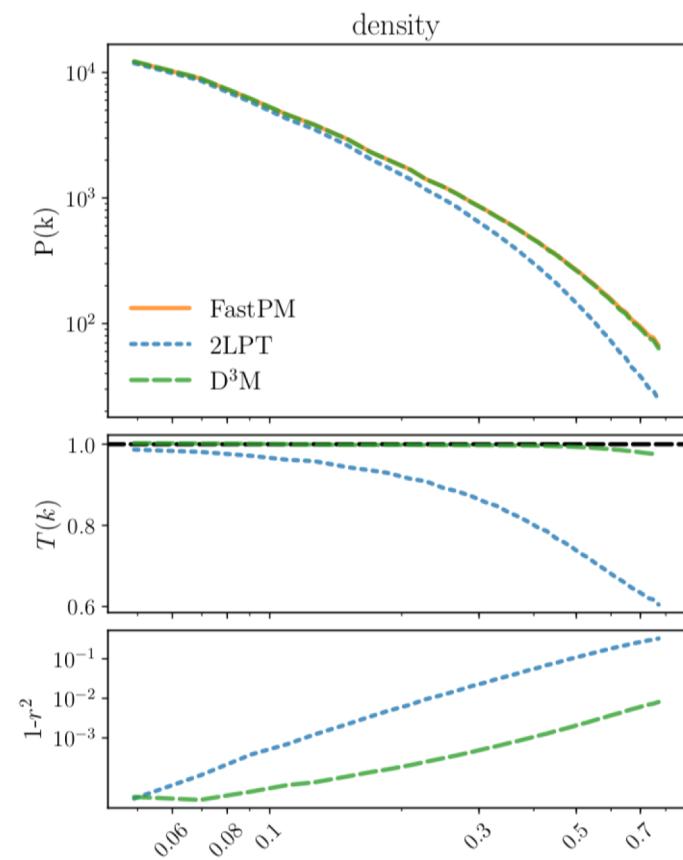
- **Emulators**
- Now training emulators for Euclid using essentially the same technique. (*Euclid Collab., Knabenhans et al., arXiv: 1809.0469*)
- Emulating non-linear correction (*boost*) to two-point correlations.



Machine learning cosmological physics



- He et al. (arXiv: 1811.06533)
- Learning non-linear correction to particle displacement (U-net)
- Find some ability to generalize beyond trained parameters



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Generative Adversarial Networks to simulate galaxy images

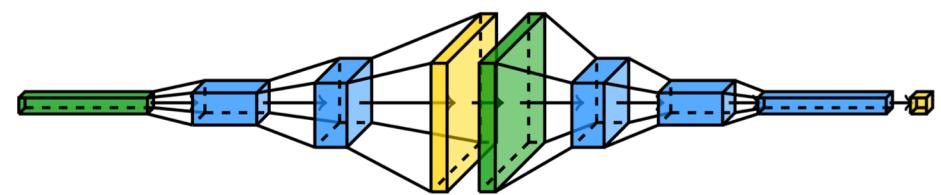
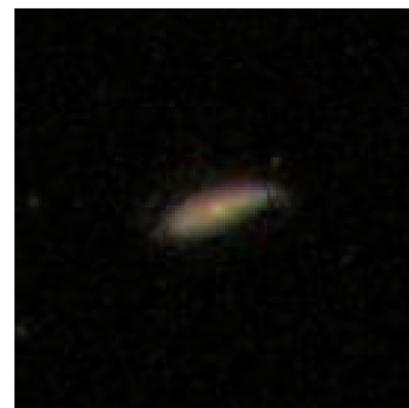
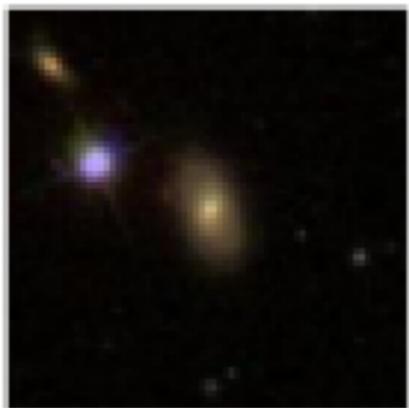
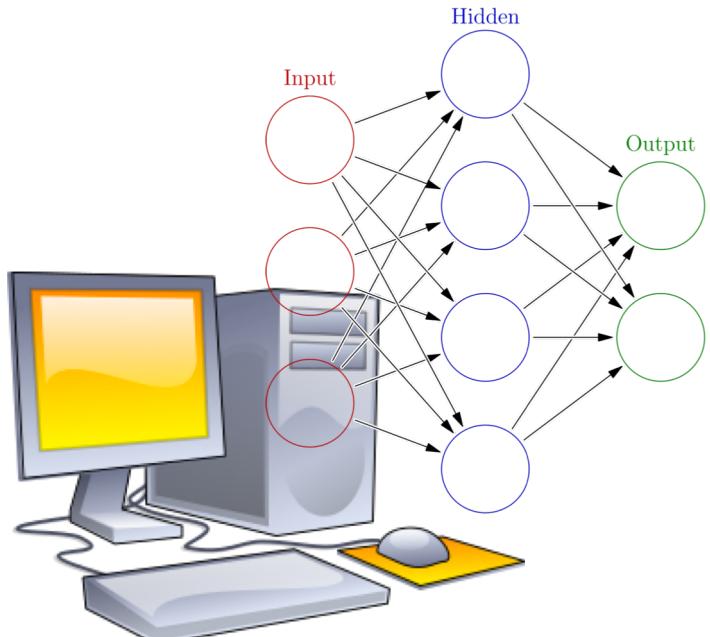


Image credit: T. Charnock

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Machine learning vs Physics?



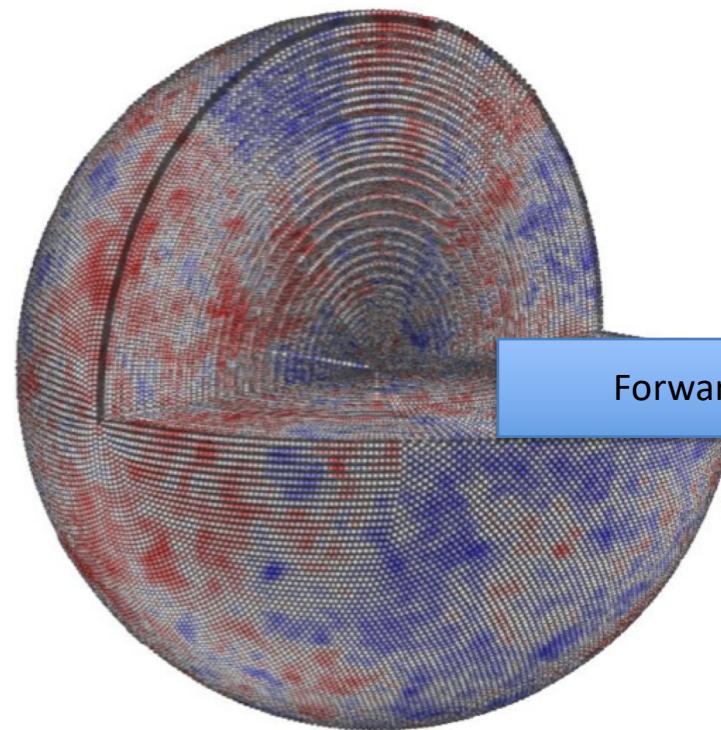
$$W = \int_{k < \Lambda} [Dg][DA][D\psi][D\Phi] \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{m_p^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + i\bar{\psi}^i \gamma^\mu D_\mu \psi^i + (\bar{\psi}_L^i V_{ij} \Phi \psi_R^j + \text{h.c.}) - |D_\mu \Phi|^2 - V(\Phi) \right] \right\}$$

A blurry photograph of a colorful, textured surface, possibly a book cover or endpaper, with a shallow depth of field. Overlaid on the image is the mathematical expression for Bayes' theorem:

$$p(\theta | d) = \frac{p(d | \theta)p(\theta)}{p(d)}$$

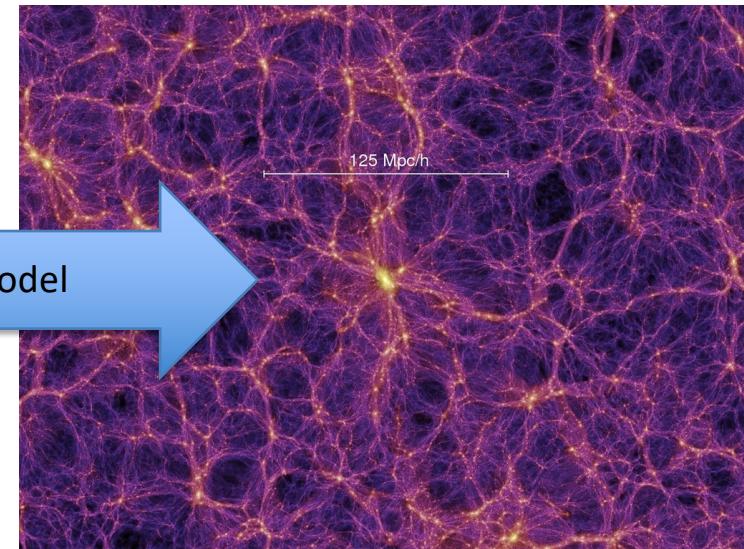
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Physics-based machine learning



Initial conditions of the universe

Forward model



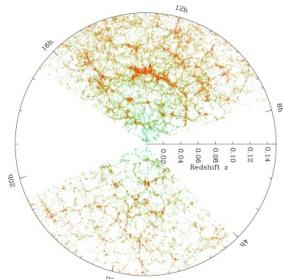
The universe today

A fully *probabilistic* model of galaxy surveys

BORG: *Bayesian Origin Reconstruction from Galaxies*



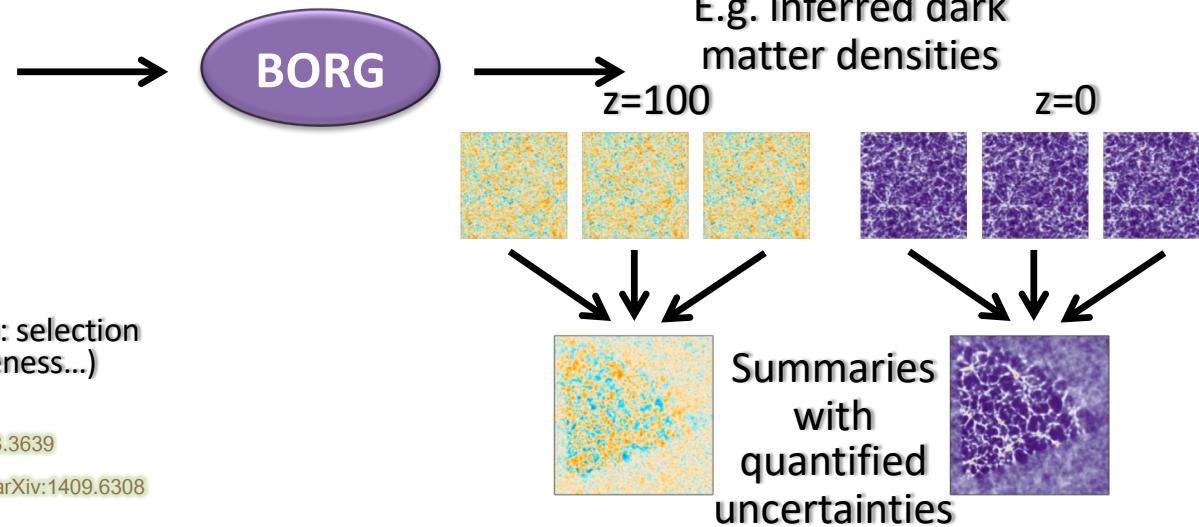
- Gaussian prior + **Gravity** + likelihood for galaxies
(includes survey model, bias model, automatic noise level calibration, selection function, mask, ...)
- Hamiltonian Markov Chain Monte Carlo method



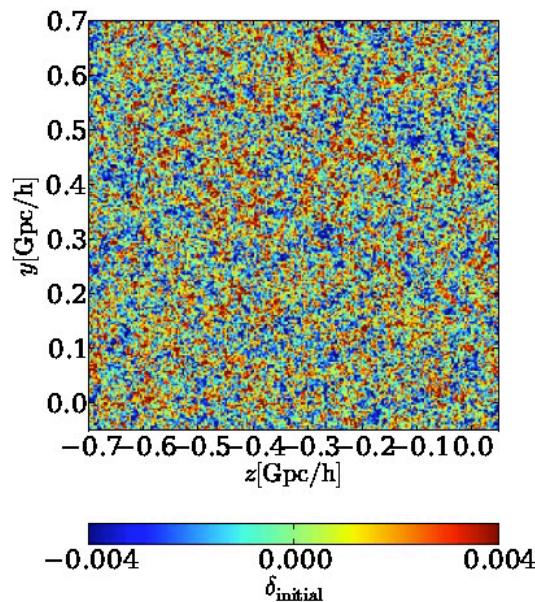
Observations
(galaxy catalog + meta-data: selection functions, completeness...)

Jasche & Wandelt 2013, arXiv:1203.3639

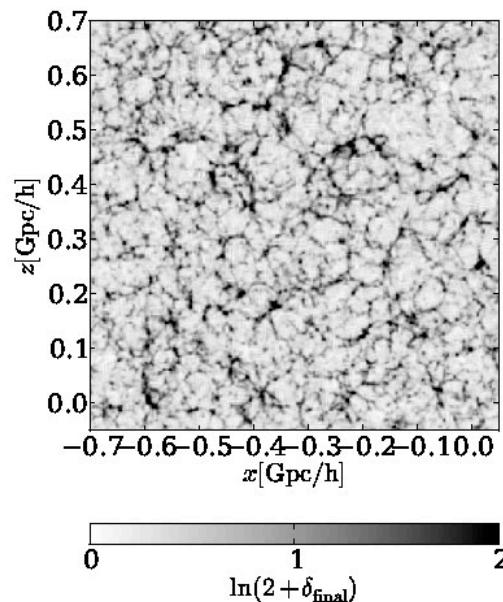
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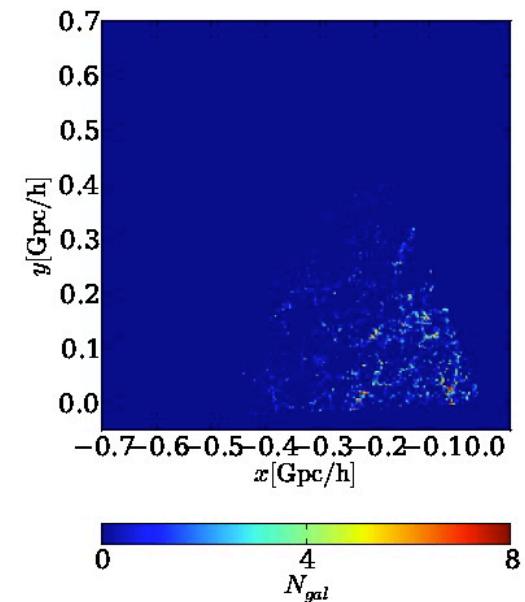
Bayesian LSS sampling - movie



Initial conditions



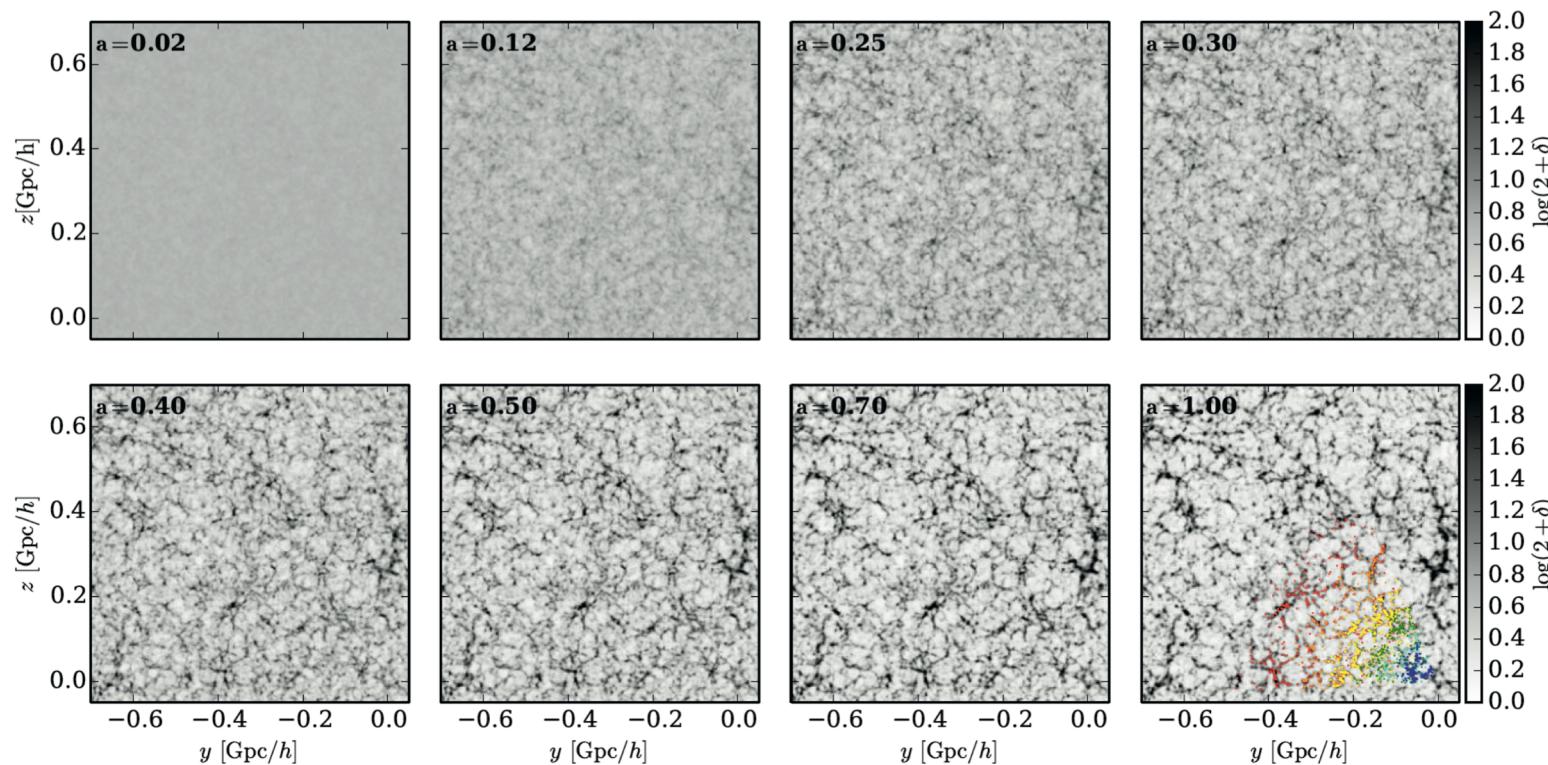
Final conditions



Observations

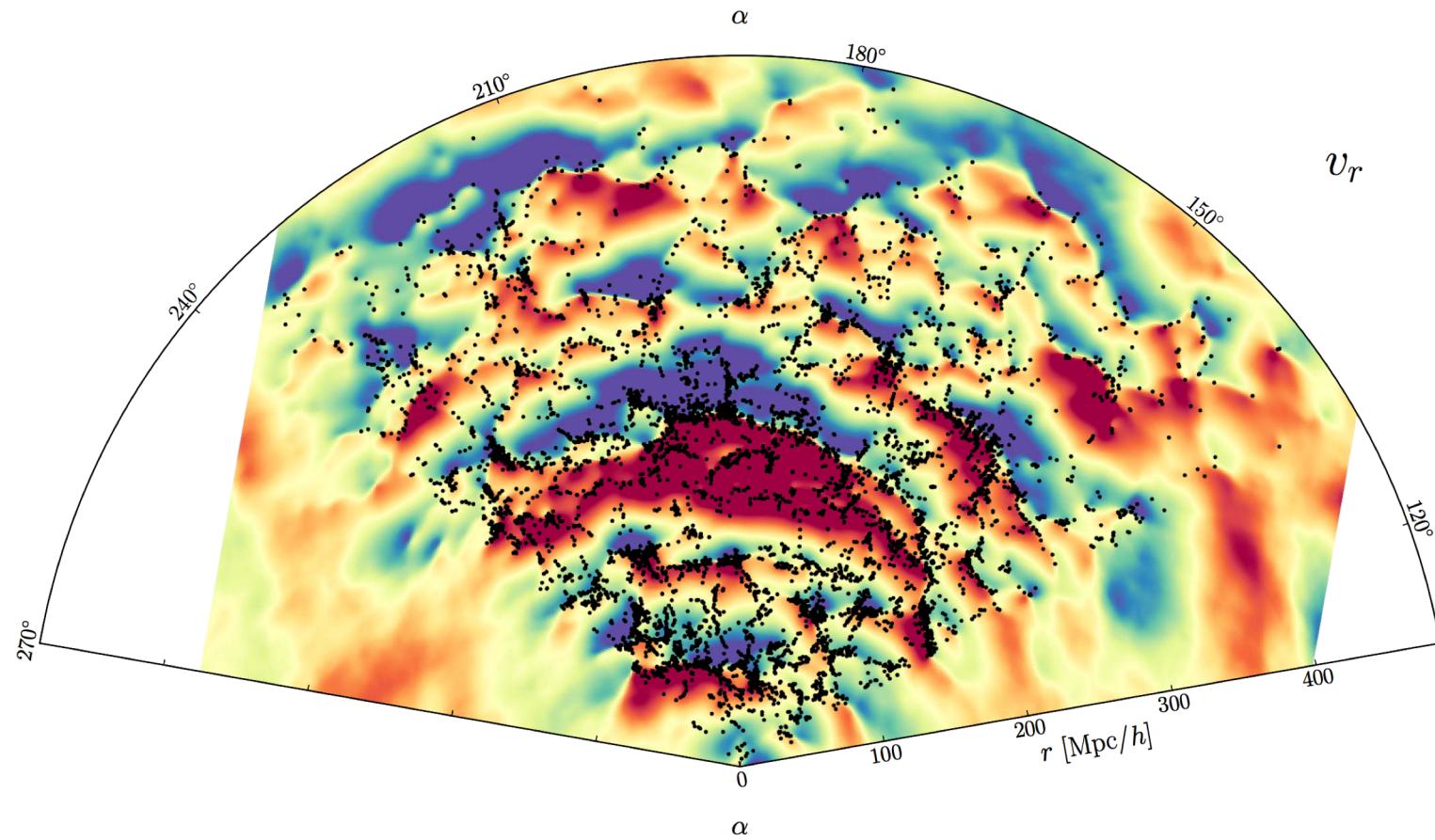
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A posterior sample of the formation history of our Universe



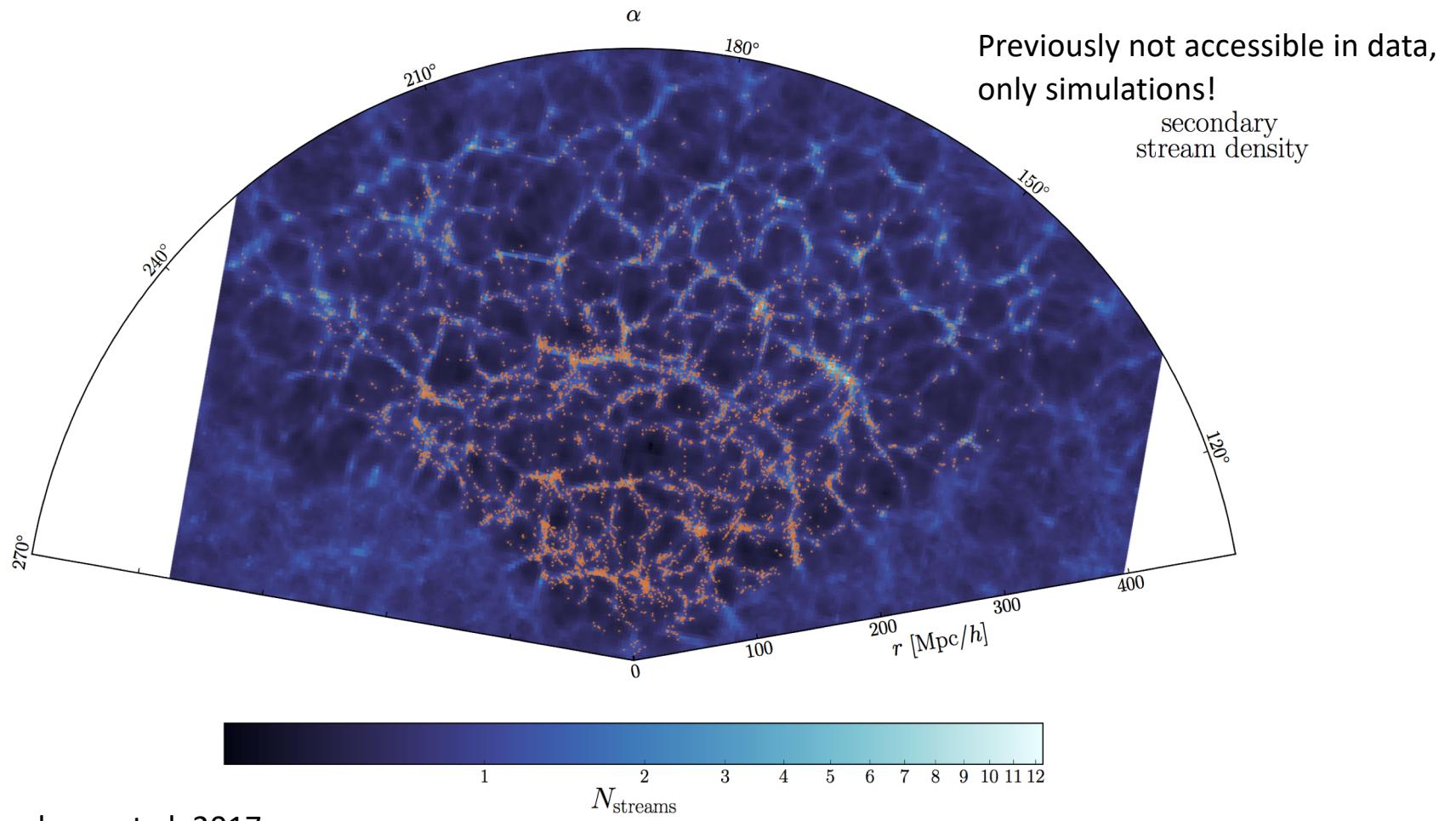
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Bayesian LCDM predictions: Dynamical velocities



Leclercq et al. 2017

Posterior mean of Lagrangian stream density



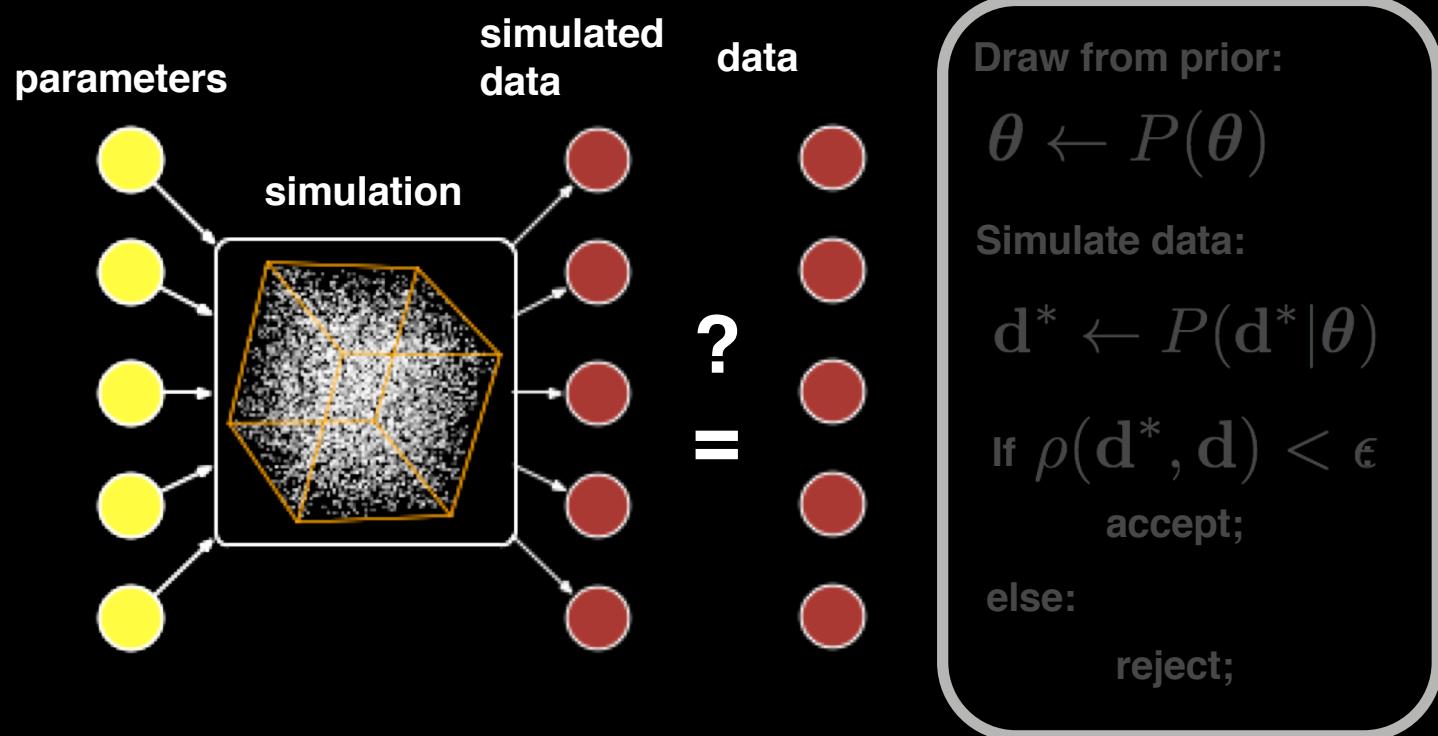
Leclercq et al. 2017

What if we can only do simulations?

$$P(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{d}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{d}|\boldsymbol{\theta})P(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{P(\mathbf{d})}$$

$$\mathbf{d}^* \leftarrow \text{simulation}(\mathbf{d}^*|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

Likelihood-free inference 101



In the limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, $\{\theta\} \leftarrow P(\theta|d)$

Likelihood-free inference 101

parameters
simulated
data
data
Draw from prior:
 $\theta \leftarrow P(\theta)$

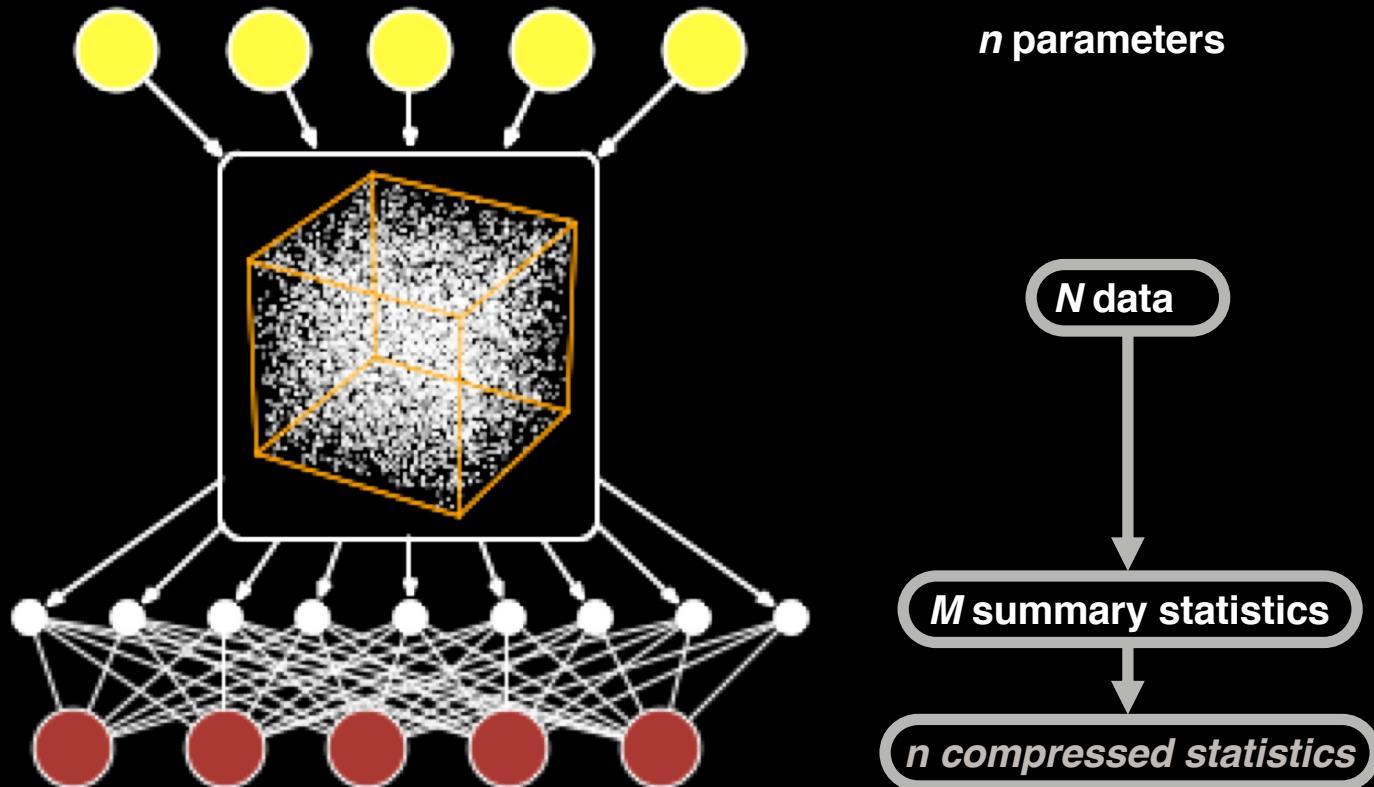
How to reduce data-space?

simulations
accept;
reject;

How to explore parameter-space?

In the limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, $\{\theta\} \leftarrow P(\theta|D)$

Massive data compression



Massive data compression

Fisher information

$$\mathbf{F} \equiv -\mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\nabla \nabla^T \mathcal{L})$$

Information inequality

$$\mathbb{V}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(t_{\alpha}) \geq [\nabla \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{t})^T \mathbf{F}^{-1} \nabla \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mathbf{t})]_{\alpha\alpha}$$

Can derive n compressed quantities that contain all the Fisher information!

Alsing & Wandelt arXiv:1712.00012

Exploration of parameter space

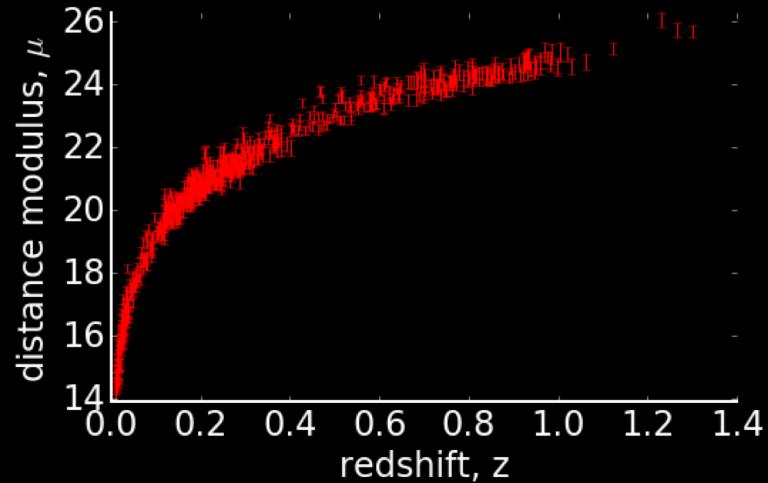
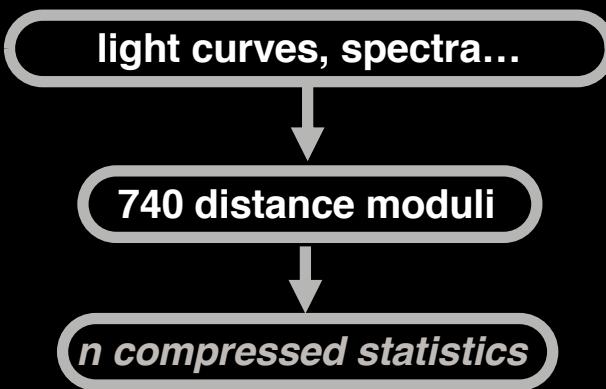


Density estimation Likelihood free inference
(DELFI)

Learn *joint* probability density of parameters
and compressed data using a
Gaussian Mixture Model

Alsing, Feeney & Wandelt arXiv: 1801.01497

Case study: JLA SNe



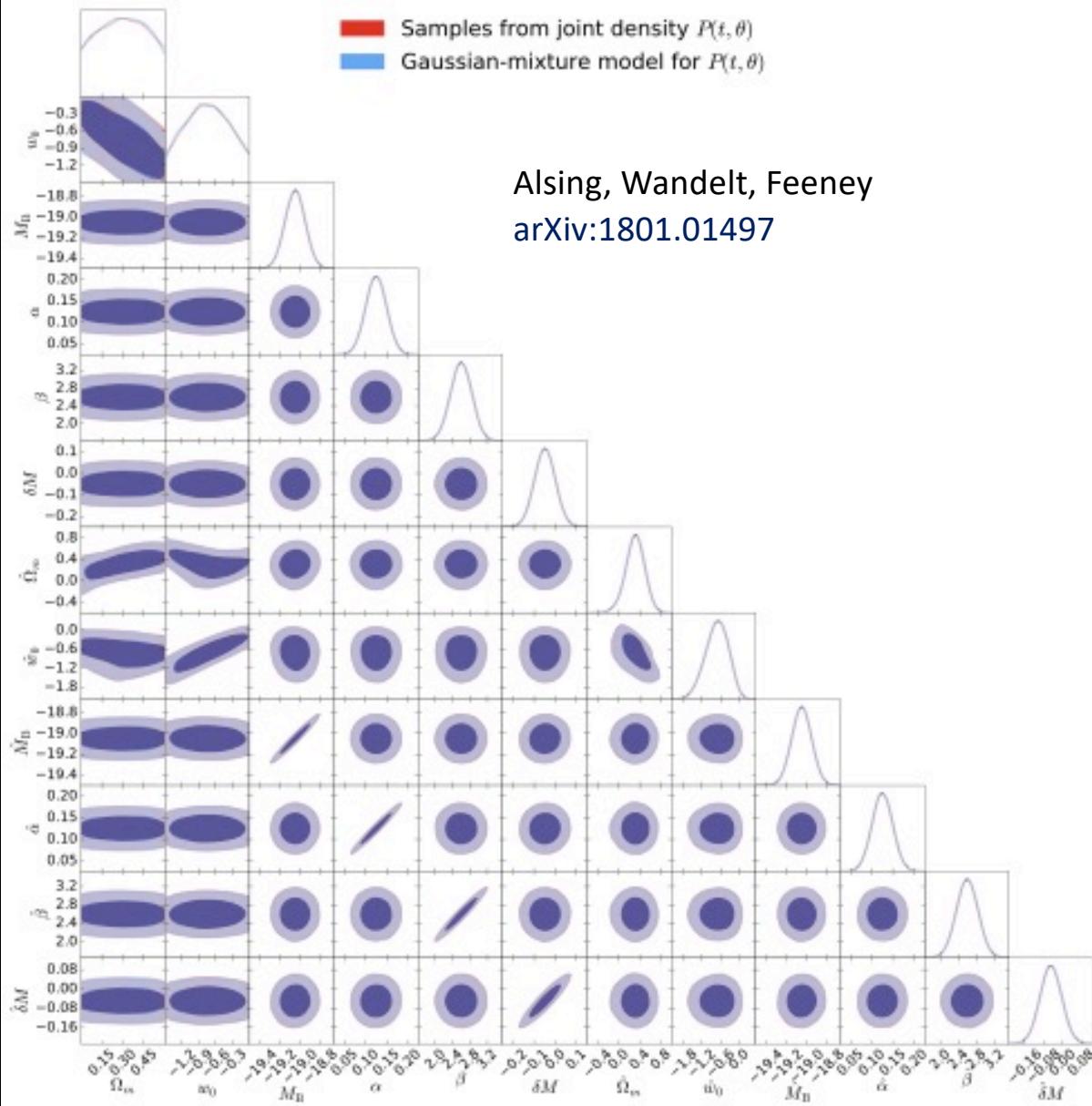
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{d} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{C}^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\mathbf{C}|$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \boldsymbol{\mu}(\Omega_m, w_0, M, \alpha, \beta, \delta m)$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{C}(\alpha, \beta)$$

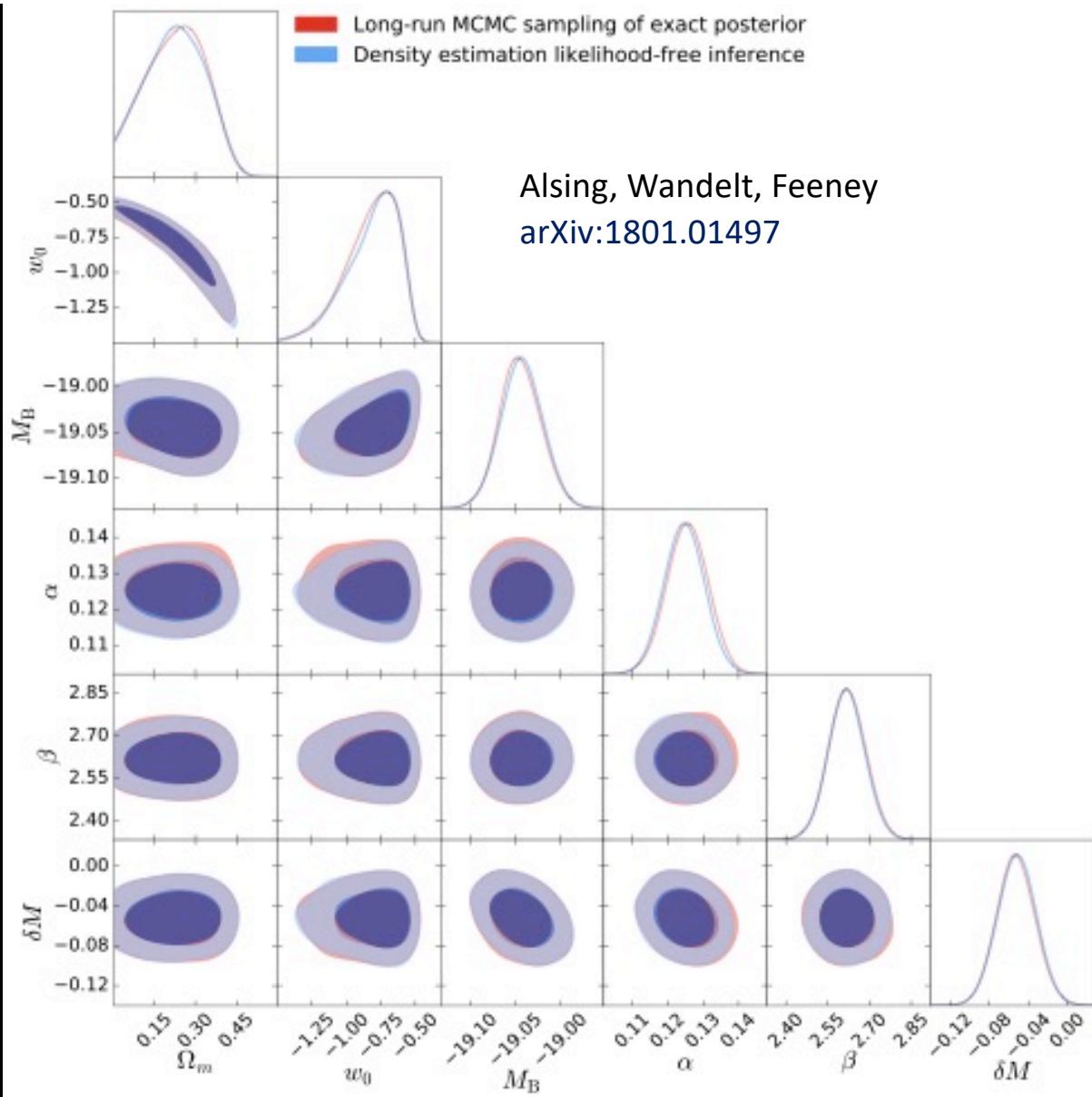
Betoule et al 2014

Fit to joint density $P(\theta, d^*)$



(10000 simulations)

Posterior inference



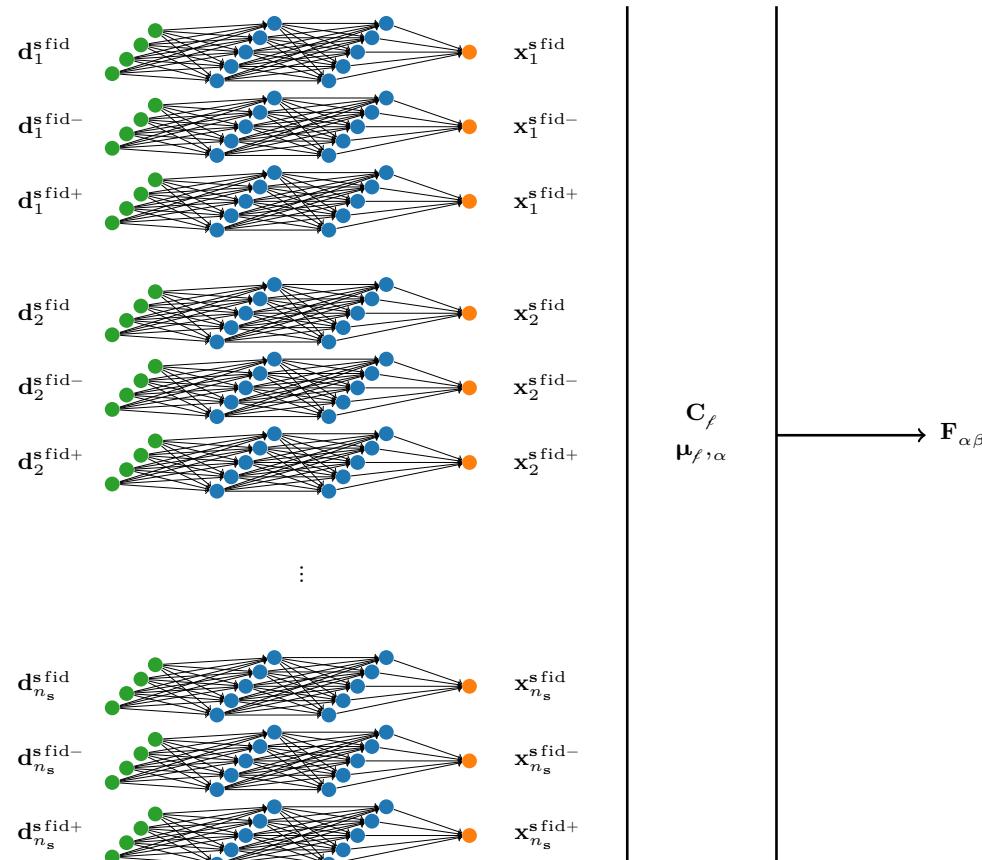
But what if you don't know how to
compute informative summaries of
your data?

Automatic Physical Inference

Charnock, Lavaux, Wandelt (arXiv:1802:03537)

- Obviates the need to “guess” heuristic, informative summaries of the data
- A neural network is trained through reinforcement learning to compute functions of the data (*summaries*) that maximize the information about the parameters of the model.
- The network generates non-linear informative summaries that constrain model parameters

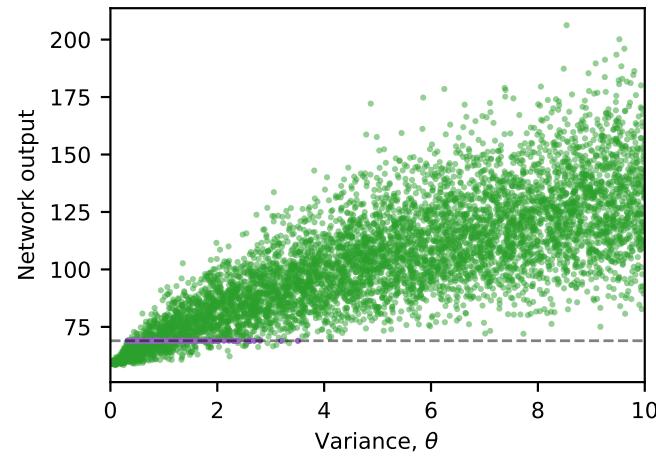
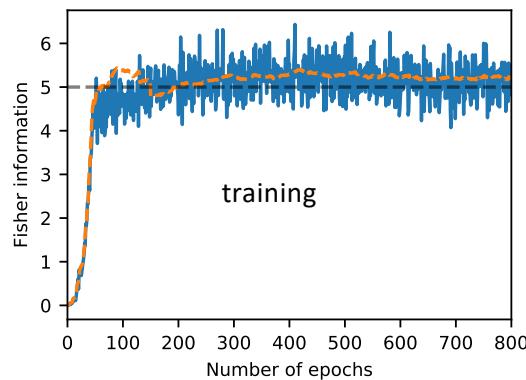
Information maximizing neural network



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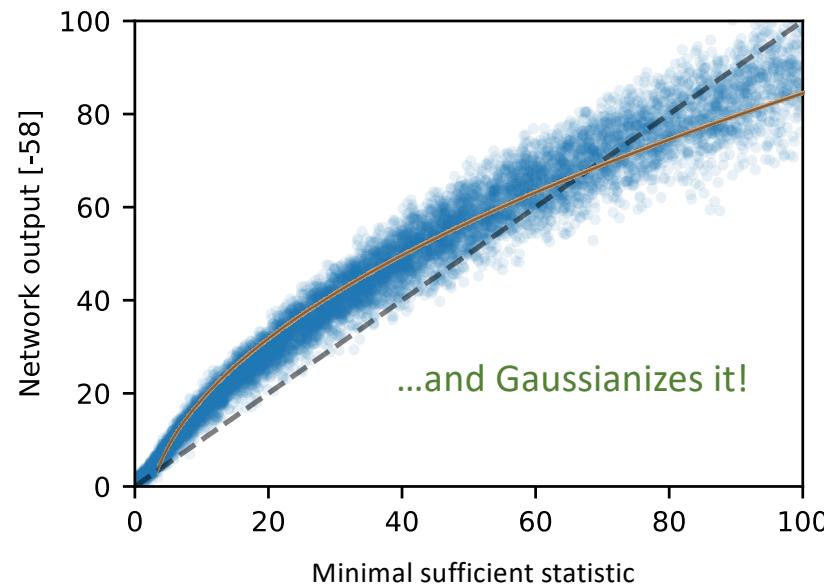
Example 1: variance inference

- Perfect information $F = 5$ in this problem
- Linear summaries give $F = 0.5$



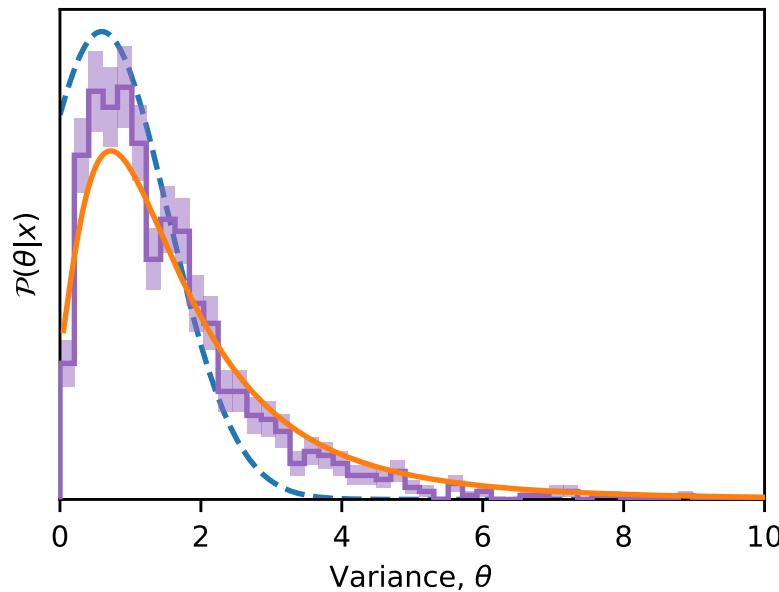
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The IMNN finds a
minimal sufficient
statistic for this
inference
problem



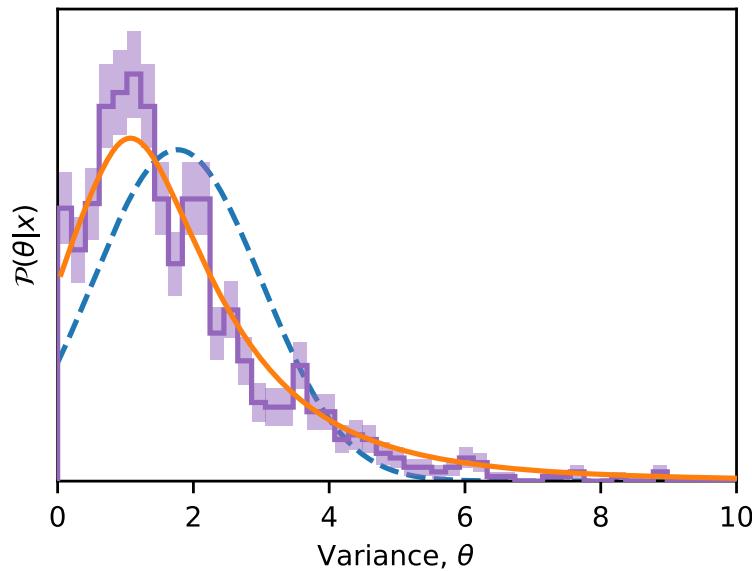
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Example 2: Automatic physical inference with noisy data



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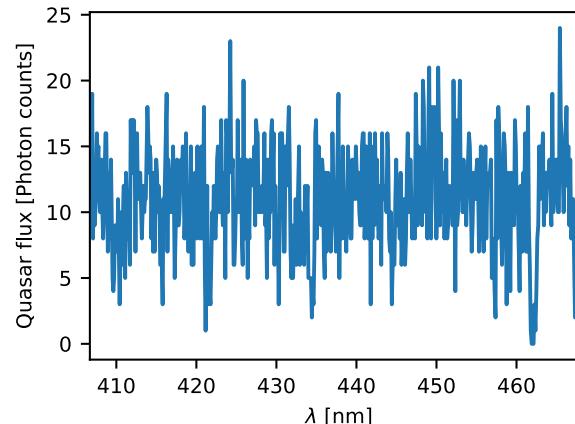
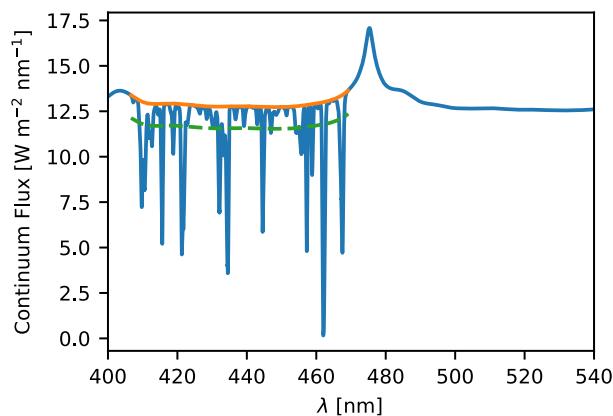
Example 3: Automatic physical inference with unknown noise



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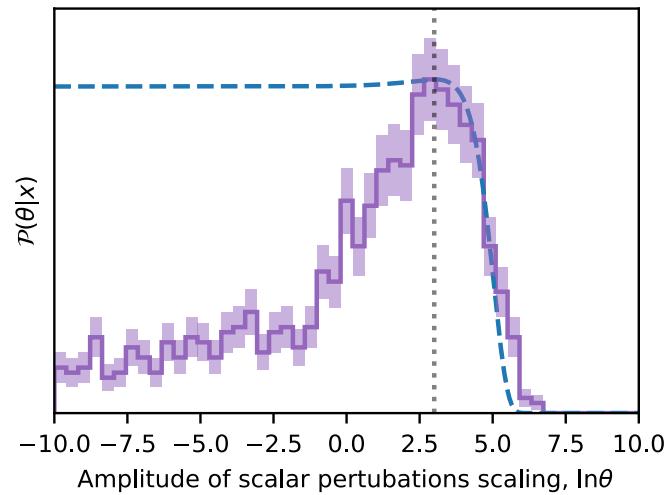
Example 4: Lyman- α forest inference

- The idea is to infer the variance of the underlying density field from a non-linearly transformed, photon-noise dominated Lyman- α forest spectrum



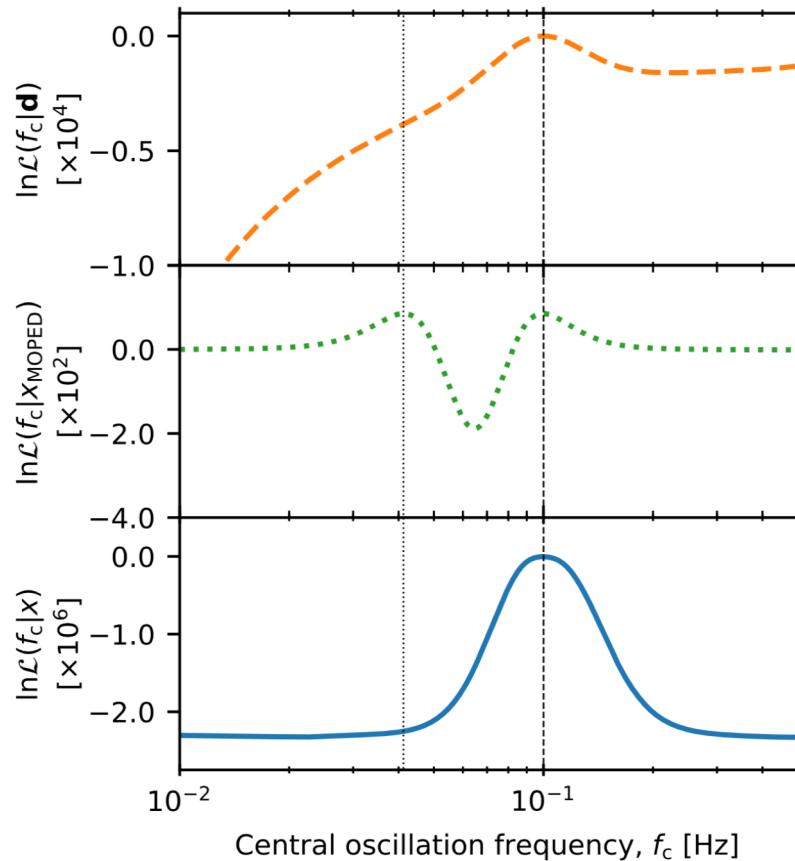
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Example 4: Lyman- α forest inference



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Example 5: LISA gravitational wave chirp



Full likelihood (LH)
Gaussian likelihood based
on linear compression
Gaussian LH based on
IMNN compression

The Information Maximizing
Network summary gives the correct
unique likelihood peak.

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The latest

- Include nuisance-hardened compression technique to "pre-marginalize" nuisance parameters
- Use another NN, a *mixture density network* to fit the likelihood rather than Gaussian mixture.
- Larger applications (see Alessandro Manzotti's talk this afternoon!)
- Note: HEP paper in very similar spirit a few months later by Brehmer et al. arXiv: 1805.12244

Summary

- A broad spectrum of machine learning ideas are at play in cosmology and astrophysics
- Need to find good ways to balance:
 - the *power of physical modeling* with the *power of machine learning*
 - *ad hoc analysis* with *principled statistics*
 - *interpretability* with *black box machines*
- Cosmology adds some unique challenges:
 - observational science (e.g. out of class training)
 - Information is in “correlations” between all cosmic messengers (photons, particles, gravitons)
 - Only one universe!

Let's go beyond putting machine learning into physics: let's put physics into machine learning!

To reproduce the results in the IMNN paper the code version used is archived on 

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.1175196>

The most recent version can be downloaded from github:

https://github.com/tomcharnock/information_maximiser