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Maximum-**A**-posteriori solution with **D**eep generative **NE**tworks
for **S**ource **S**eparation

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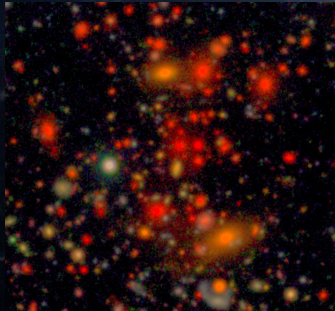
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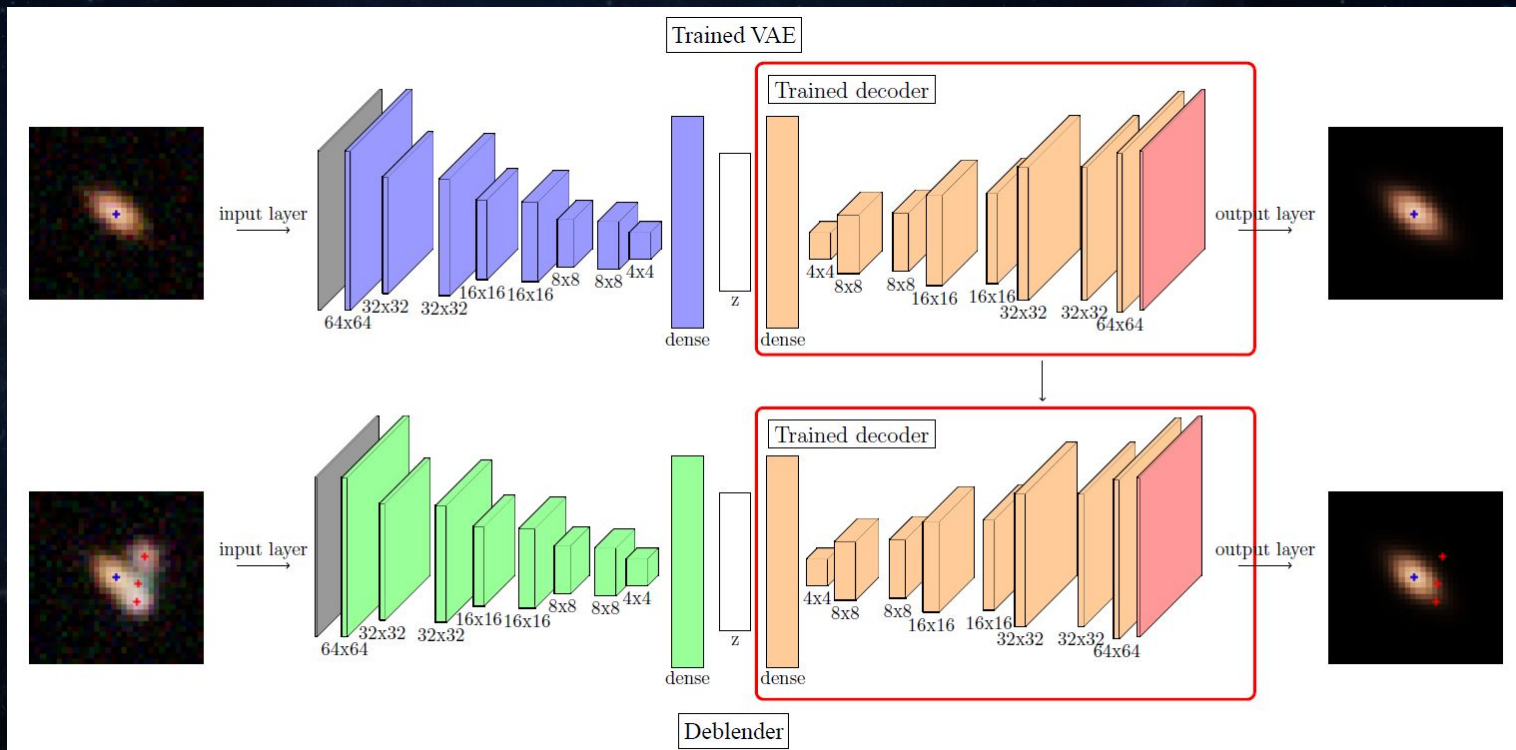


HSC ultra-deep image

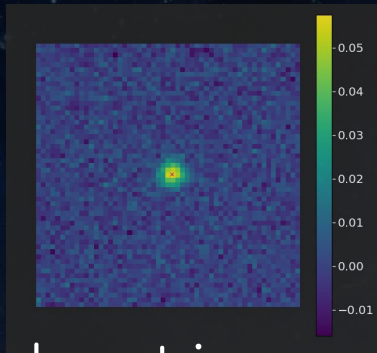
greater depth means more complex data!

~ Galaxies (60% in LSST) are expected to overlap (**blending**) in images due to increased depth

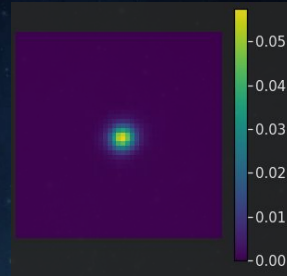
ML for Deblending



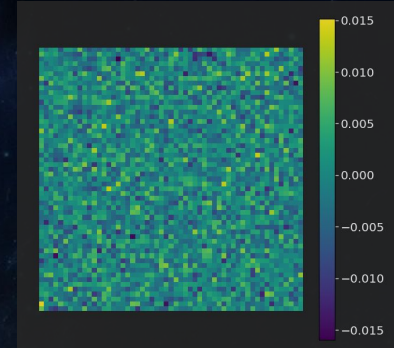
Denoising (Single source)



Input image
(y)



Predicted image (x)



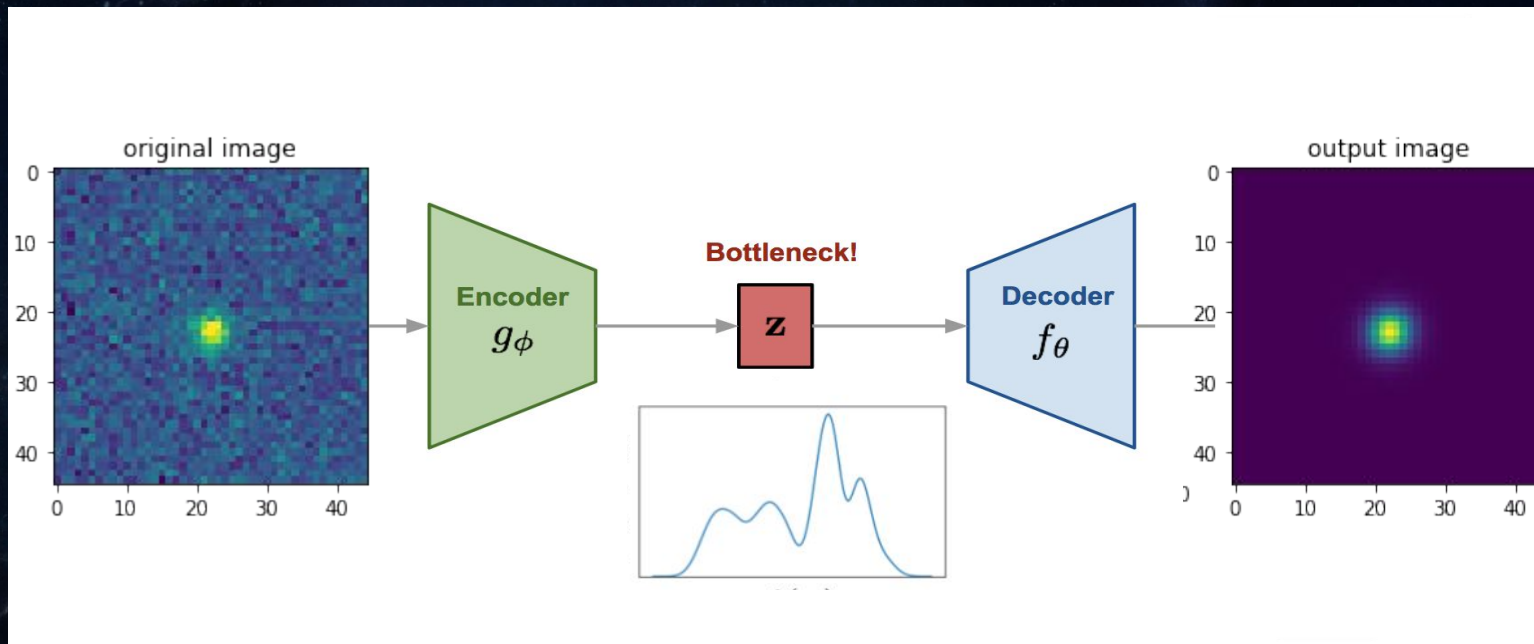
Residual ($y-x$)

$$x^* = \arg \min_x -\log p(y|x) - \log p(x)$$

$$x^* = \arg \min_x \frac{\|y - x\|^2}{2\sigma_{noise}^2} - \log p(x)$$

Where, x^* is the maximum a posteriori probability (MAP) estimate

Train VAE as generative model



For example: Lanusse et al ([arXiv:2008.03833](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.03833))

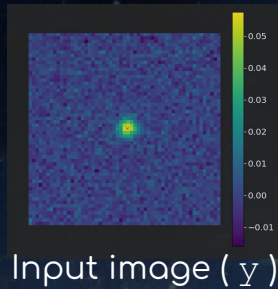
Training:

$$-\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim q_\phi(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})} \log p_\theta(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}) + D_{\text{KL}}(q_\phi(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}) \| p_\theta(\mathbf{z}))$$

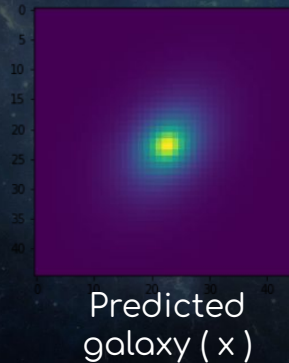
Reconstruction term

Regularization term

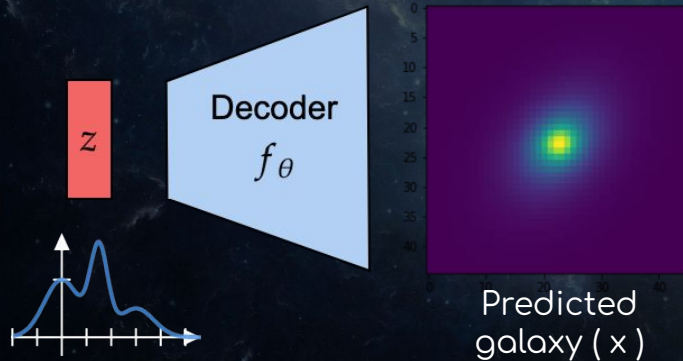
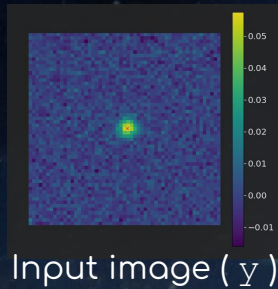
MAP estimate in latent space



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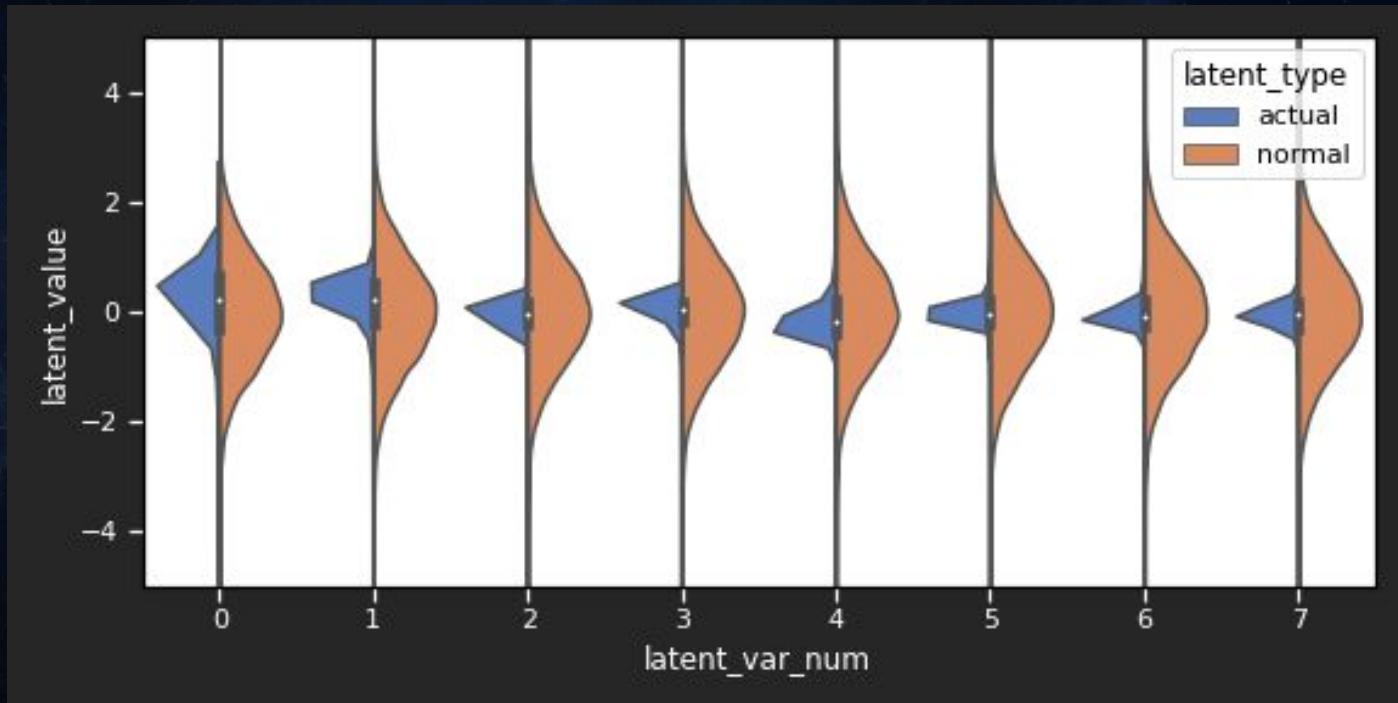
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Going to the latent space

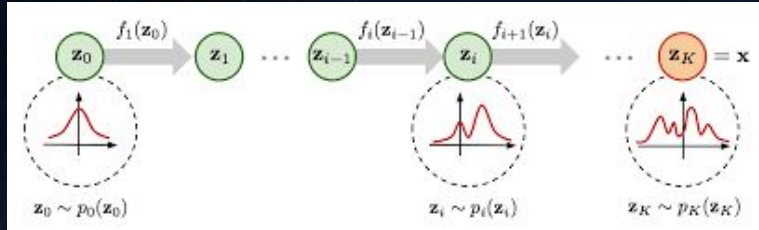
$$z^* = \arg \min_z \frac{\|y - f_\theta(z)\|^2}{2\sigma_{noise}^2} - \log p(z)$$

Where, z^* is the maximum a posteriori probability estimate in the latent space

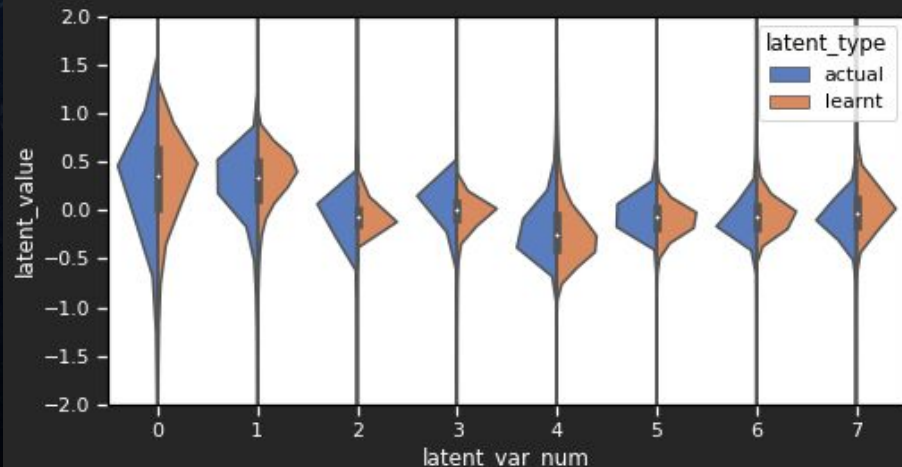
How to choose a prior?



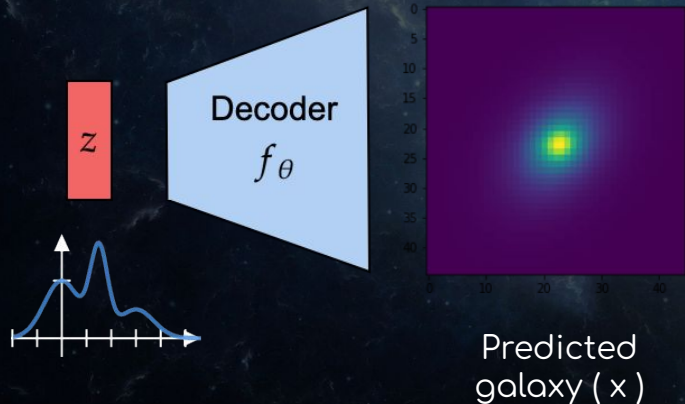
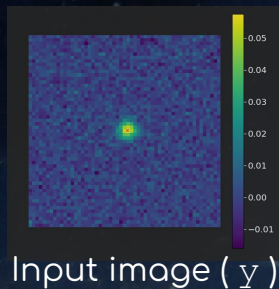
Normalizing flow



- The Normalizing Flows is trained to map the underlying latent space distribution
- We can evaluate log prob in the learned latent space distrib.



Minimization

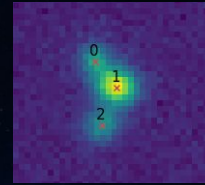


- Start with random z
- Do gradient descent in the latent space to minimize the objective function

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Deblending (Multiple sources)



$$Z = \{z_i \mid z_i \text{ being the latent space representation of } i^{\text{th}} \text{ galaxy}\}$$

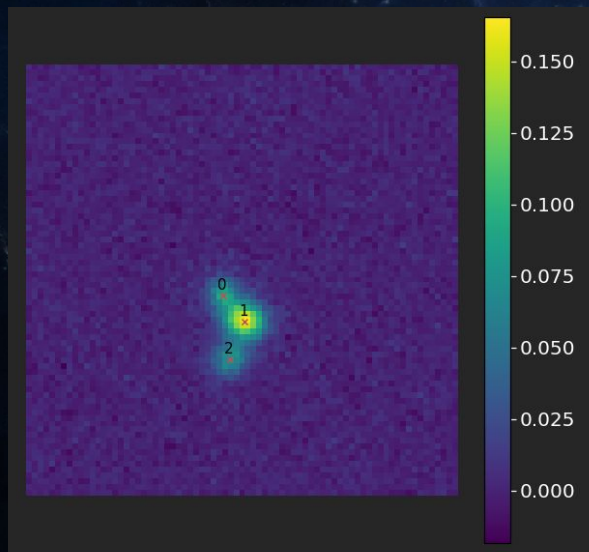
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Reconstructed field

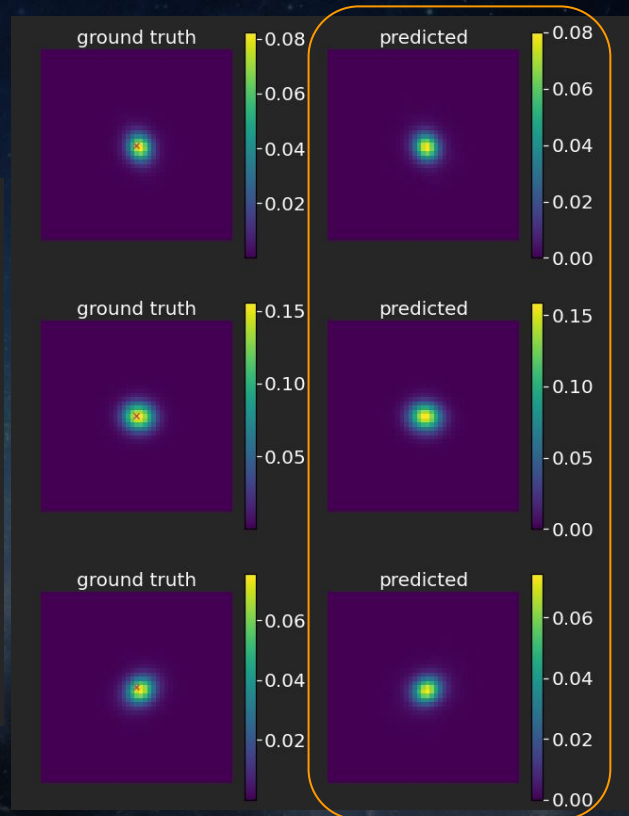
Probability that predictions are galaxies!

$$Z^* = \arg \min_Z \frac{\|y - \sum_i f_\theta(z_i)\|^2}{2\sigma_{\text{noise}}^2} - \sum_i \log p(z_i)$$

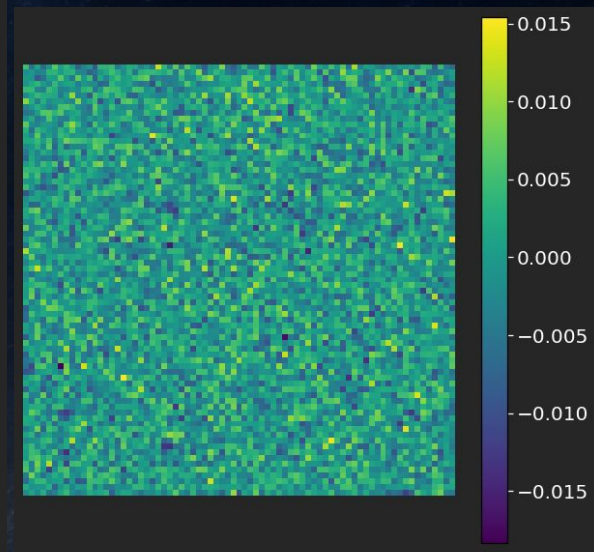
Deblending Example



Input image

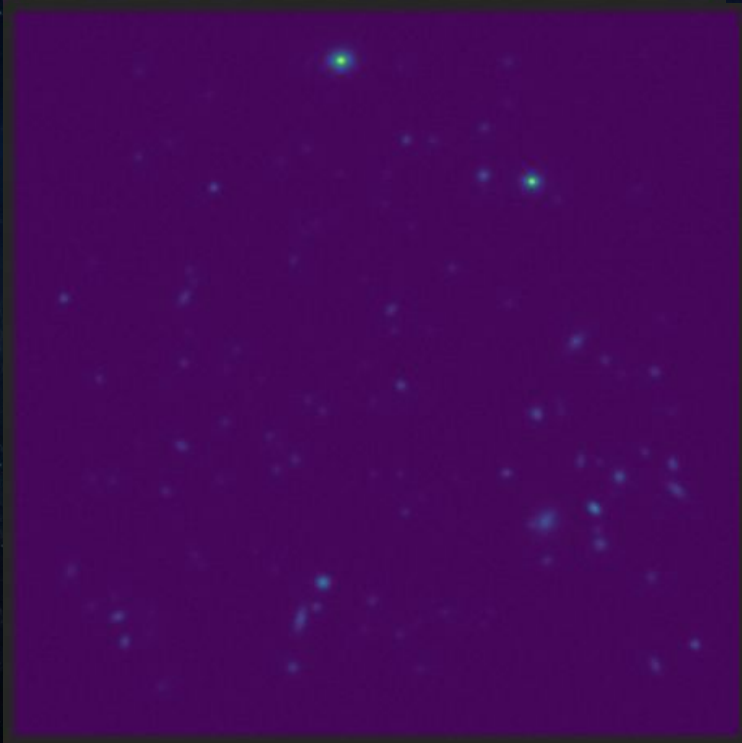


Predictions

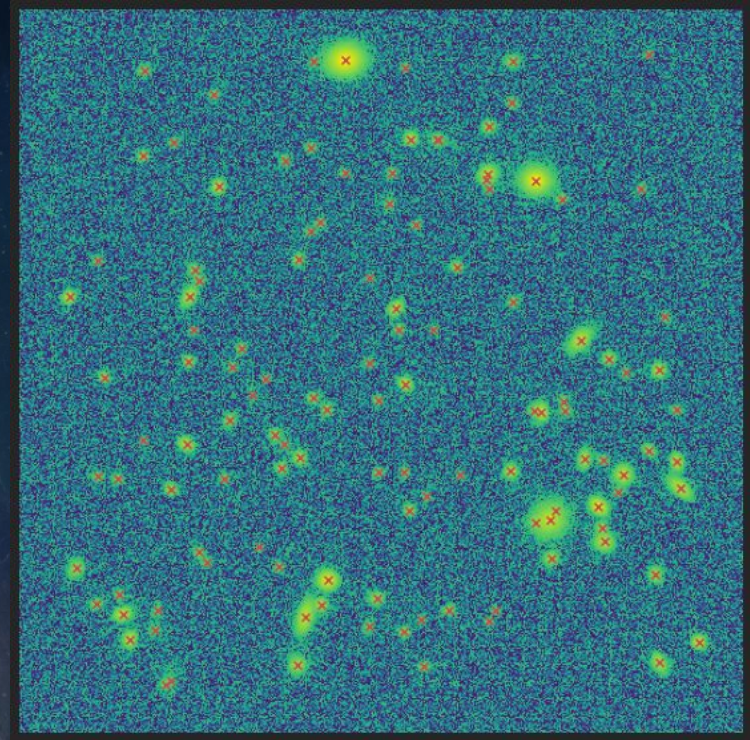


Residual image
(input - predictions)

Moving to a larger field...

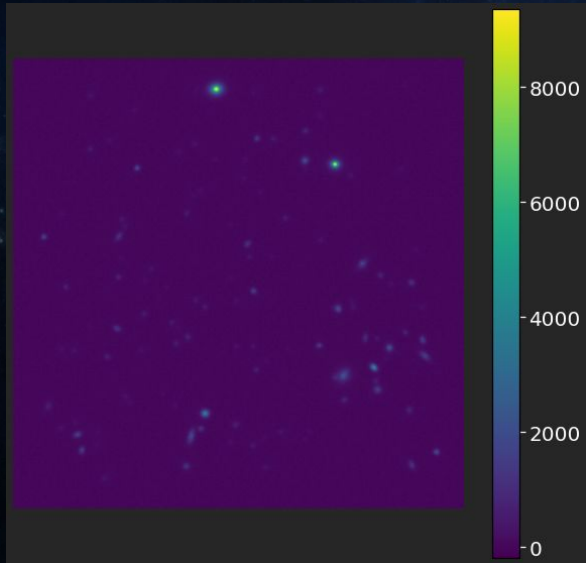
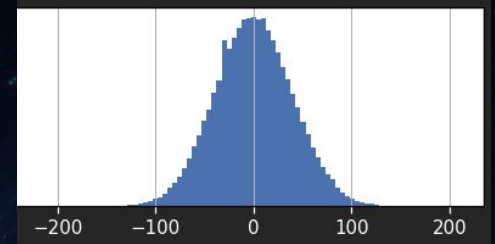


Input field (501 x 501)

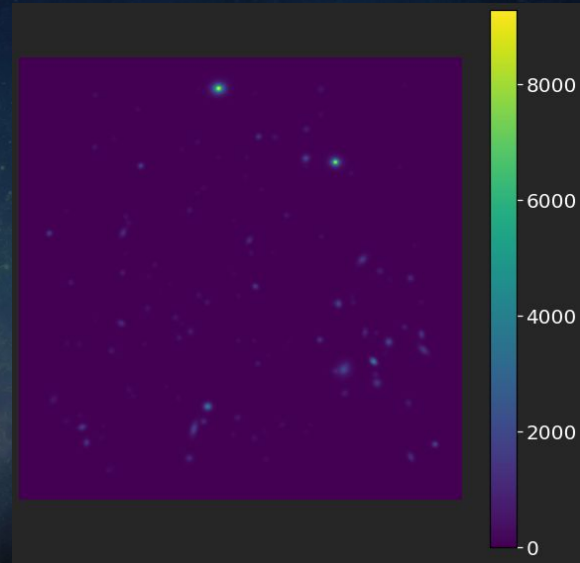


Sinh^{-1} (Input field)

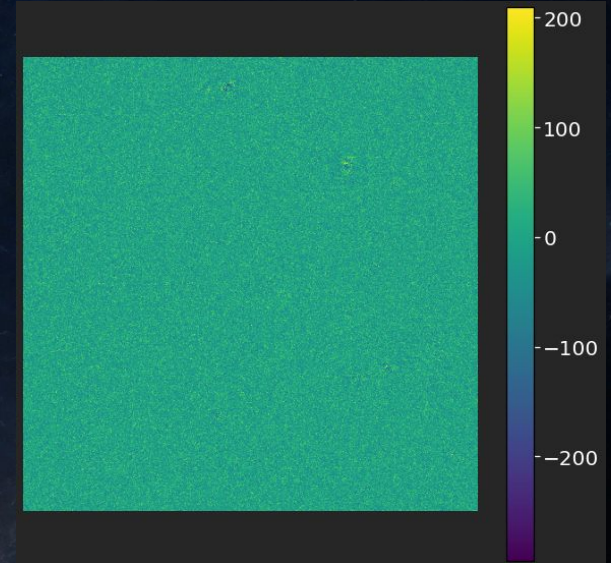
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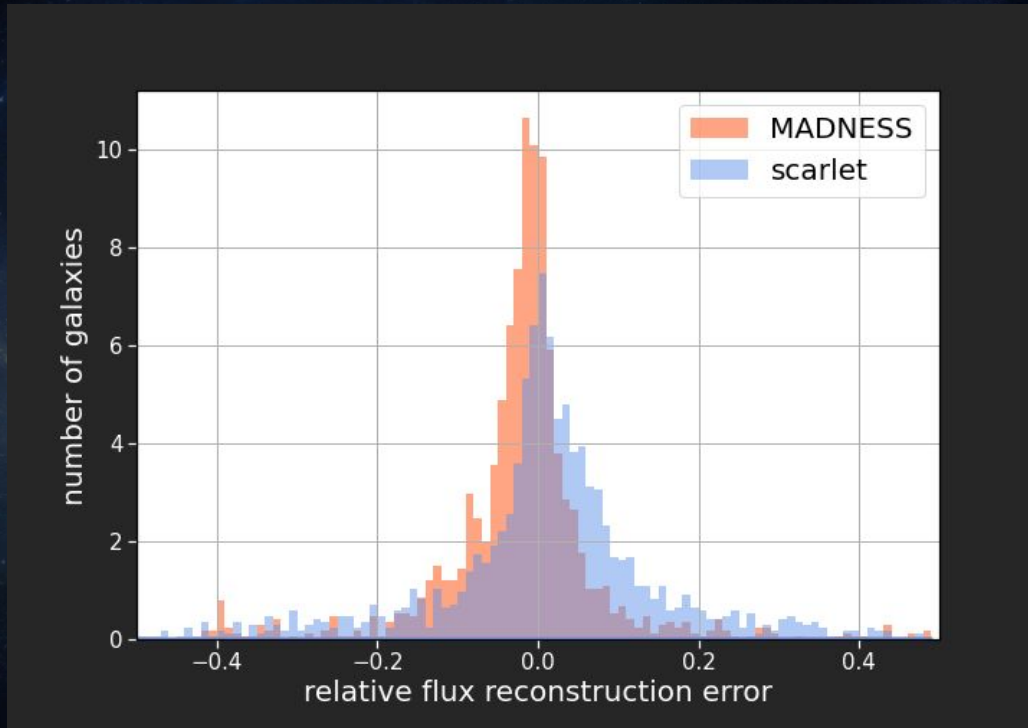
predicted field



residual field
(Input - predicted)

Preliminary results*

Compare with SOTA



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Conclusion and Future work

- Developed source separation algorithm using VAEs, NF
- Deblending performance at-par with SOTA
- Next steps:
 - Handle artifacts in real data
 - Evaluate systematics in science results, eg. probes such as weak lensing
 - Paper in progress (code to be available soon)



Thank you!