

Imaging Dark Energy





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Cosmic shear



- Distortion of background galaxy shapes due to intervening masses.
- Probes matter (dark or not)
- Sensitive to :
 - structures
 - distances
- A ~1% effect : one needs millions of galaxies to measure it.
 - Observables :
 - ellipticity
 - orientation

Relation with the sources of gravitation



All observables derive from a scalar field: the "projected mass"
Shear correlations are related to mass density correlation function

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What can we learn from cosmic shear?

$$H^{2}(z) = H_{0}^{2} \left[\Omega_{M} (1+z)^{3} + \Omega_{DE} \right] \qquad \qquad \delta \equiv \frac{\delta \rho}{\langle \rho \rangle}$$
$$d(z) = \int_{0}^{z} \frac{dz'}{H(z')} \qquad \qquad \ddot{\delta} + 2H(z)\dot{\delta} = 4\pi G\rho_{M}\delta$$

- Constrain Dark Energy:
 - From the redshift evolution of density contrast
 - From distances that enter into the distortion prediction
- Test GR on large scales: (> 10¹² solar system scale)
 - Test if the evolution of structure formation and the expansion history (from shear, supernovae or BAO) tell the same story.
 - Requires shear in redshift slices.

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Observations requirements

- A lot of galaxies:
 - The signal is $\sim 1\%$ ellipticity, galaxy images have a $\sim 25\%$ ellipticity
 - This implies deep images using a wide-field imager on a large telescope
- Stars (!):
 - Required to get the shape distortions due to the telescope & the atmosphere. Known as the Point Spread Function (PSF).
- (Photometric) redshifts:

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- The expected shear signal depends on the source redshift.
- Need multi-band imaging (typically 5 bands or more) to infer redshift.

Cosmic shear: the three threats

- The shear estimator:
 - One cannot express uniquely the expected galaxy image given the shear → a whole suite of estimators, challenges,
 - The whole thing relies on empirical (mostly ad hoc) PSF estimation from stars. One extra difficulty: the brighter-fatter effect.
- Intrinsic alignments: (neighbor galaxies may align naturally)
 - Accounted for using ad hoc models, but there is safe information in cross-correlations of shear at sufficiently different redshifts.
- Photo-z: (guessing galaxy redshifts from colors)
 - Calibration from a sample of spectroscopic redshifts is the life line.
 - DESI, PFS and 4Most will hopefully deliver those en masse $\frac{6}{6}$

Hyper Suprime-Cam on the Subaru telescope



104 2kx4k CCDs: 840 Mpix 1.8 deg² First light in 2012



The Subaru Strategic Program:

330 nights (done)3 data releases (17,19,21)

8.2 m primary mirror on the Mauna Kea

	Area (deg ²)	bands
Wide	1400	grizy
Deep	27	grizy+4NB
Ultra-deep	3.6	grizy+4NB





Cosmology from cosmic shear power spectra with Subaru Hyper Suprime-Cam first-year data

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Assessment of the redshift distributions of photo-z bins

> **Basic figures:** •137 deg² •i<24.5 •17 galaxies/arcmin²



Measured shear correlations cross-power spectra. B modes compatible with 0



Second SSP cosmic shear sample

- 3rd year shear catalog is out : 2107.00136
 - 433 deg², i<24.5, \sim 20 galaxies/arcmin²
 - Improved PSF modeling and tests
 - Systematics within bounds for the statistics in hand.
 - Cosmology expected very soon.

The three-year shear catalog of the Subaru Hyper Suprime-Cam SSP Survey

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Supernova Strategic Program (HSC again)

- Use the SSP ultra-deep sequenced survey to detect and measure type Ia supernovae (mostly on 2 HSC pointings).
- The observing plan allows to detect events at z > 1.3
- For those, estimating distances requires observer NIR bands (>1 μ m)
- An HST large program was awarded for NIR photometry (PI: N. Suzuki)
- Photometry observations are over, host galaxy redshifts are underway (from Subaru, AAT, DESI, and archives). In practice, bright events get redshifts before faint ones.

Spectroscopic redshift campaigns have been successful. Most of the redshifts are host galaxy redshifts.



Supernova light curves





Status of Supernova Strategic Program

- Photometric calibration is solved
- Photometry of supernovae is done
 - including many subtle corrections (non-linearity, brighter-fatter)
- Calibration transfer to supernovae underway
- Do not know yet how many events have good enough lightcurves.
- Expect distances this year.

En route for Rubin

- The SSP data is the best possible training for Rubin/LSST.
- The Dark Energy Survey is also a very active playground from which many developments are being transferred to Rubin.
- Most of the cosmic shear results are obtained with moderate systematics margins: improvements are still needed.
- A few illustrations follow....

Atmosphere also perturbs objects positions (astrometry)



Position offsets (x,y) of astronomical objects from a single exposure of HSC/Subaru (300 s) \rightarrow coherent shifts of ~5 mas

2103.09881



Correlation function:

The absence of B modes indicates that the displacement field is the gradient of a scalar: the refraction index.



Effect for Rubin ? very large



 $T_{exp}: 300s \rightarrow 30 s$

The contribution of position offsets to shear correlation is multiplied by 100

Correction is mandatory

Any shear estimator relies on a PSF model

State of the art : PIFF (2011.04409), developed for DES/LSST

- •Introduced for DES year 3 shear analysis.
- •Models optical distortions from physics models

Standard way

- •Models atmospheric distortions using Gaussian processes
- •Spurious shear correlations reduced by a factor of 10 w.r.t DES year 1.



Gaussian process interpolation



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Star images on CCDs are **not** self-similar with flux



Killer for at least cosmic shear and supernovae

Due to interactions of charges in the CCD

The brighter-fatter effect

Variation of second moments of stars as a function of peak flux



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1: Derive from flatfield statistics the changes in pixel area due to charges stored in the CCD.!

2: Fit an electrostatic CCD model:



3: Correct HSC science images and check:



Rubin observatory (aka LSST) in a nutshell



- Rubin is an integrated survey system designed to conduct a decade-long, deep, wide, fast time-domain survey of the optical sky. It consists of an 8-meter class wide-field ground based telescope, a 3.2 Gpix camera, and an automated data processing system.
- Over a decade of operations the Rubin survey will acquire, process, and make available a collection of over 5 million images and catalogs with more than 37 billion objects and 7 trillion sources. Tens of billions of time-domain events will be detect and alerted on in real-time.
- Rubin will enable a wide variety of complementary scientific investigations, utilizing a common database and alert stream. These range from searches for small bodies in the Solar System to precision astrometry of the outer regions of the Galaxy to systematic monitoring for transient phenomena in the optical sky. Rubin will also provide crucial constraints on our understanding of the nature of dark energy and dark matter.



VERA C. RUBIN OBSERVATORY

Modified Paul-Baker Optical Design



- Points to new positions in the sky every 39 seconds
- Tracks during exposures and slews
 3.5° to adjacent fields in ~ 4 seconds

mirrors

LSST: Wide, Deep and Fast









Pinhole image of a romanesco cabbage (!)



Neighbors: - CTIO 4m - Gemini south

Anticipated Rubin dark energy constraints

1 year



Parametrization :

5DFS(



When is first light?

VERA C. RUBIN OBSERVATORY

- •2023-03-17 :
- Telescope handoff to Rubin
 2023-07-12 :
 - Camera Pre-Ship Review
- •2024-02-05 :
 - Camera Ready for Full System AI&T
- •2024-04-11 :
 - 3-Mirror Optical System Ready for Testing
- •2024-04-18 :
 - Dome Complete
- •2024-08-16 :
 - System First Light



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From Now to Rubin:

	Now	Goal	How
Photometric Calibration (SNe)	0.5%	0.1%	Laboratory standards
Filter bandpasses (SNe)	1nm	0.1 nm	In situ measurement
Scale error of shear estimator	1%	0.1%	 Higher S/N cut Image-based simulations
PSF size	~0.3%	0.1%	Physics in PSF model (PIFF)
Photo-z	0.01 to 0.02(1+z)	0.001	 More spectroscopic data Mix with correlation-based approaches

Summary/conclusions

- Cosmic shear is arguably the best Dark Energy probe, but its full potential is not reached yet
 - New results tend to improve methodologies
- Comparing the histories of expansion and growth rate is a powerful test of GR on large spatial scales.
- Both cosmic shear and distances to supernovae require improvements of reduction methods or calibration sources
- Expectations :
 - SSP year 3 cosmic shear cosmology within weeks.
 - Distances : SSP supernovae and DESI Hubble diagrams in ~ 1 y.
 - First Rubin sky images in ~ 18 months.

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