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LSST: photometric redshift and Baryon Acoustic Oscillations

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Introduction



The Large Synoptic Survey Telescope: LSST

LSST: photo-z and BAO

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• Site: Cerro Pachón, Chili.

• First light: 2020.

• Wide

- large aperture: 9.6 \deg^2 (~50 full moon)
- visible sky: 20 000 \deg^2

• Fast

- rapidly scan the sky: 15s pose + 2s read + 15s pose + new pointing as reading
- Revisit after 30-60 min;
- Complete scan every 4 nights.

• Deep

• Observe billions of galaxies

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$$m_r = 27.7 (10 \text{ years})$$

 $m_x = -2.5 \log(F_x)$
 $\Delta m = 3 \Leftrightarrow F/16$



LSST design

• Three mirror designs (Paul-Baker system)



• Etendue = mirror surface × Field of view (~volume of universe ~ depth × sky surface)

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Camera

• Focal plan: 64 cm diameter, 189 CCDs, 3.2 billions pixels

- 3 lenses + 6 filters (ugrizy)
- Mass: 3000 kg



 \Rightarrow High precision on calibration is needed (test bench developed at LPSC).

Camera Calibration Optical Bench (CCOB)

Goal:

- scan in a few hours the entire Focal plane (189 CCD, 3.2 billions pixels),
- deliver camera first light (dead and bad px identification),
- measure the pixel to pixel relative response:
 - $\bullet~0.5~\%$ level precision on the entire focal plan,
 - 0.2 % level precision at a raft scale (3x3 CCD).

R&D:

- validation of LED as light source,
- beam caracterization at 10 μm (LSST pixel scale)
- beem profile must be controlled at 0.1% (vs voltage and temperature)
- test and select several LEDs in order to cover LSST wavelength range.



LSST image quality: depth and resolution





LSST science goals

4D universe mapping: (α, δ) , z (redshift), time variation.

- Inventory of the Solar system:
 - hazardous asteroids,
 - Long Period Comets ...
- Mapping the Milky Way:
 - stellar populations (observation of billions of stars)
 - $\rightarrow\,$ star formation, evolution ...
- Transient objects: gamma ray burst, AGN ...
- Probe dark mater,
- Probe dark energy (p<0) $p = w\rho = [w_o + w_a(1-a)]\rho$

Supernovae, weak lensing, **BAO**.



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LSST science book

Structure formation in the universe relies on gravitational instability to aggregate the material.

0) Initial perturbations: adiabatic \rightarrow all of the species are perturbed the same fractional amount



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1) Spherical acoustic wave ; baryons coupled to photons; **neutrinos escape**, dark matter moves only in response to gravity and has no intrinsic motion



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Structure formation in the universe relies on gravitational instability to aggregate the material

2) Spherical shell of gas and photons continues to expand. The **neutrinos spread out**. The dark matter collects in the overall density perturbation.



Structure formation in the universe relies on gravitational instability to aggregate the material

3) Electrons and nuclei begin to combine into neutral atoms. The expanding universe is cooling. Photons and gas coupling is reduced.



Image: A matrix and a matrix

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4) **Decoupling** : sound speed vanished ; baryons carry the footprint of fuctuations in a shell about 150 Mpc. Photons escape (CMB)



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5) DM and baryons coupled by gravitation: the spherical shell of the gas perturbation has imprinted itself in the dark matter \Rightarrow acoustic peak.



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6) The acoustic peak decreases in contrast as the gas comes into lock-step with the dark matter.



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BAO as a cosmological probe

- Distance distribution measurement
 ⇒ 2 points correlation function ξ(r).
 → χ = 100h⁻¹Mpc
- First measurement:
 - 2004 (2dFGRS and SDSS)
- A 3D measurement:
 - Position of acoustic peak \Rightarrow Size of the sound horizon $\mathbf{rs}(\Omega_m, \Omega_B)$
 - Transverse direction:
 - \Rightarrow Sensitive to angular distance $\mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{z})$
 - Radial direction:
 - \Rightarrow Sensitive to Hubble parameter $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{z})$:

$$H(z) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + (1 - \Omega_m - \Omega_\Lambda)^2}$$



D. J. Eisenstein, astroph 2004

Photometric redshift reconstruction:

Method and filters design impact

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Photometric redshifts with LSST



LSST specifications on $|\Delta z| = |\frac{z_p - z_s}{1 + z_s}|$:

- $\bullet~0.05$ random error (RMS),
- bias $< 3.10^{-3}$,
- % outliers < 10% ($|\Delta z| \ge 0.15$).

LSST: 6 photometric bands ugrizy \Rightarrow photometric redshift

• machine learning method

- template fitting method
 - \rightarrow we compute the integrated flux in each bands,
 - \rightarrow we compare expected flux to some known emission spectrum at a range of redshift.

The simulated catalog

1) Simulation Catalog

- ΛCDM cosmology is assumed
- Absolute Magnitude, color excess E(B-V), z_{true} ,
- 51 galaxies spectral types interpolated between 6 main SEDs: El, Sbc, Scd, Irr, SB3, SB2.



M82 - elliptical galaxy





M31 Andromede - spiral galaxy

Image: A math a math

Likelihood reconstruction of z_p

2) Photometric redshift reconstruction: template fitting method

$$\chi^{2}(z, T, E(B - V)) = \sum_{i=1}^{Nbands} \left(\frac{F_{i}^{obs}(m_{i}) - NF_{i}^{exp}(z, T, E(B - V))}{\sigma(F_{i}^{obs}(m_{i}, \sigma(m_{i})))}\right)^{2}$$

- $\bullet \ \mathrm{Observation} \Rightarrow \mathbf{F_i^{obs}}(\mathbf{m}_i)$
- 3D grid over z, spectral type T and color excess E(B - V) $\Rightarrow \mathbf{F_i^{exp}}(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{T}, \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{V}))$
- likelihood function computation
- marginalization over parameters \Rightarrow reconstructed redshift z_p .



Quality cut

Boosted Decision Tree (BDT)

- $|\Delta z| = |\frac{z_p z_{true}}{1 + z_{true}}| < 0.15 \Rightarrow$ "signal"
- Learning machine method: \Rightarrow training set ~ 450 000 galaxies
- 17 discriminant variables
 - PDF shape caracteristics: Npeak in the z marginalised pdf ...
 - color term (ex: r-i), z_p .



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Impact of filters transmission shape

- The photo-z quality could be affected by different uncertainties on parameters which enter in the likelihood computation:
 - reddening or intergalactic medium law,
 - the SED library,
 - filters
- LSST filters are quite big (78 cm diameter)
 ⇒ spatial inhomogeneities (coating)
- filters design is not fixed yet.
- \Rightarrow Impact of filters on photo-z quality ?
 - impact of the incidence angle: \rightarrow effective filter
 - impact of slope design,
 - impact of spatial variation (shift).





Impact of filter shifts

• Due to spatial variation, filters could be shifted up to $\pm 2.5\%$ (LSST spec.)

u	g	r	i	Z	у
$\pm 9 \text{ nm}$	$\pm 12 \text{ nm}$	$\pm 16 \text{ nm}$	$\pm 19 \text{ nm}$	$\pm 22 \text{ nm}$	$\pm 25 \text{ nm}$

• Two scenarii tested:



- 1) Extreme case: photo-z reconstruction with maximal shift,
- 2) Computation of effective filters for 10 years of observation,
 - small impact on photo-z quality,
 - in agreement with specification up to redshift 2.2.

Impact of an error on the filter mean wavelength

3) Uncertainties on filters measurement:



• 1 nm uncertainties dramaticaly damaged photo-z,

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- 0.5 nm uncertainties: non negligible impact,
- 0.2 nm uncertainties: similar to reference results.



- Spiral galaxies are the most affected by uncertainties,
- Starburst are slightly
 - more numerous in the catalog,
 - photo-z quality is govern by starburst galaxies.

 \Rightarrow Filters mean wavelength must be known with a precision better than 0.2 nm.

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Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (BAO)

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BAO scale extraction

How can we constrain dark energy parameter w from BAO measurement?

- 1) **Spatial distribution** of galaxies is needed:
 - flat univers hypothesis,
 - ΛCDM cosmology,
 - \Rightarrow projection of our simulated galaxies in a 3D Euclidean grille.



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- 2) Matter power spectrum $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{k}) = TF(\xi(r))$ computation,
- 3) "wiggle only" method \Rightarrow **BAO scale ka** measurement.
- 4) Constraints on dark energy parameter w:
 - ka: sound horizon in fourier space for one cosmology,
 - ka = f(Dv),
 - $Dv = f(d_A^2(z, \mathbf{w}), H(z, \mathbf{w})),$

Galaxies distribution measurement \Rightarrow constraintes on dark energy parameter.

BAO measurment (from known redshift)

- P(k) is divided by a smooth spectra $P_{smooth}(k)$ (same cosmology without baryon).
- Fit by a decay sinusoidal function: $decSin(\mathbf{ka}, A)$ χ^2 minimisation \Rightarrow best fit $\Rightarrow ka$.



Work in progress, nedd to be improve and extend to reconstructed redshift.

Conclusions and perspectives

LSST will observe billions of galaxies allowing the measurement of BAO scale at many z bins.

Calibration

- A test bech for the camera calibration is in developpement at LPSC (LED as light sources, stable vs voltage).
- $\rightarrow\,$ Beam shape caracterization.

Photo-z reconstruction

- Impact of filters "known" filter modification are negligible ,
- Filters has to be known with a precision better the 0.2nm.
- $\rightarrow\,$ Test the method using others SED library,
- $\rightarrow\,$ A real data catalog will be used to test the method.

BAO

- Power spectra reconstruction,
- $\rightarrow\,$ obtain dark energy constraints from the full chain of analysis.