

Euclid: constraining ensemble photometric redshift distributions with stacked spectroscopy

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Objectives

- We built a machine implementation of the *ensemble photometric redshifts* method proposed by Padmanabhan et al. (2019).
- Redshift distributions are needed in cosmology to analyse photometric samples of galaxies:
 - *to extract information from large-scale structure and galaxy clustering,*
 - *to make tomographic studies with weak lensing.*

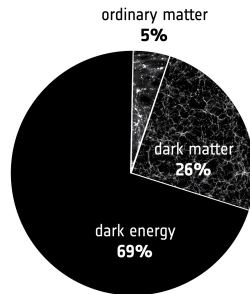


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Correlation Function

- The galaxy two-point correlation function is used to study large-scale structures.
- The angular correlation function is related to the 3D correlation function through the redshift distribution.
- It has a power law form, $\xi(s) \sim s^{-\gamma}$, and a peak due to Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (BAO).

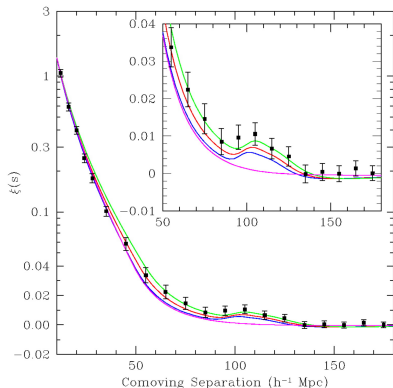
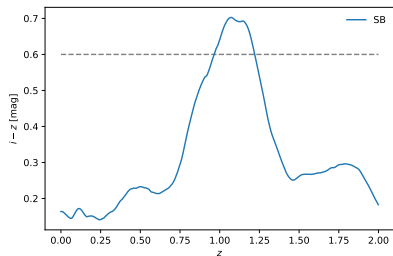
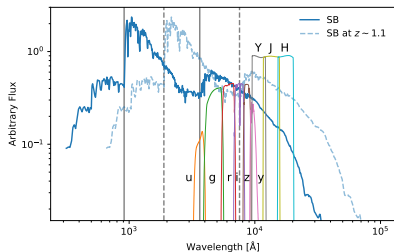


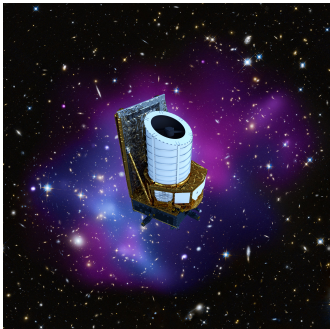
Figure from Eisenstein et al. (2005)

Redshift Measurements



- Redshifts can be measured either with spectroscopy or photometry.
- Photometric measurements are deeper and faster than spectroscopic ones.
- Photometric redshifts is calibrated with spectroscopic redshift in order to measure redshift distributions.

Euclid



Credits: ESA/ATG medialab; NASA, ESA, CXC, Ma et al. and STScI

- Euclid is an upcoming ESA space mission, it will combine imaging and slitless spectroscopy surveys.
- Redshift distributions are used both in weak lensing analyses and BAO measurements.

Euclid data

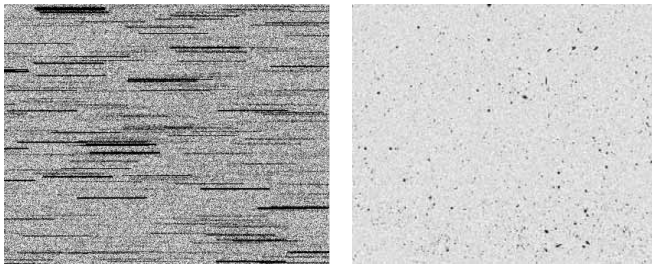
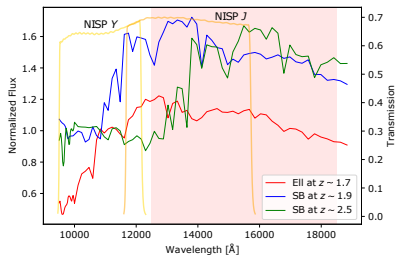
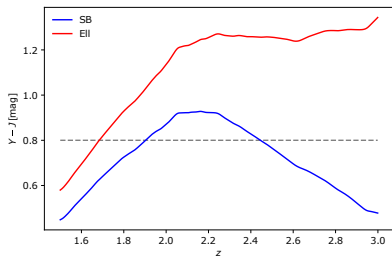


Figure from Laureijs et al. (2011)

- It will obtain NIR photometry and a shallow spectrum for every galaxy.
- It will not be able to measure the spectroscopic redshift of every galaxy.

Ensemble photometric redshifts



- The ensemble photometric redshifts method aims to constrain the redshift distribution of a *photometrically-selected galaxy sample* (colour group) by using the *stacked spectrum* built from the average of many low signal-to-noise spectra.

Stacked spectrum

- The stacked spectrum of a colour group is:

$$f_{\text{stack}}^{\text{obs}}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{N_{\text{gal}}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{gal}}} \frac{1}{\bar{f}_i} f_i(\lambda), \quad \text{where } f(\lambda) = a T(\lambda|z).$$

- Modelling the galaxy SEDs with a finite set of parameters:

$$f_{\text{stack}}^{\text{model}}(\lambda) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{\text{SED}}} \sum_{z=z_{\text{min}}}^{z_{\text{max}}} p_{\alpha,z} T_{\alpha,z}(\lambda).$$

- The redshift distribution is:

$$p_z \propto \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_{\text{SED}}} p_{\alpha,z}.$$

Machine implementation

$$\begin{pmatrix} T_1^{z_1}(\lambda_1) & T_2^{z_1}(\lambda_1) & T_1^{z_2}(\lambda_1) & T_2^{z_2}(\lambda_1) \\ T_1^{z_1}(\lambda_2) & T_2^{z_1}(\lambda_2) & T_1^{z_2}(\lambda_2) & T_2^{z_2}(\lambda_2) \\ T_1^{z_1}(\lambda_3) & T_2^{z_1}(\lambda_3) & T_1^{z_2}(\lambda_3) & T_2^{z_2}(\lambda_3) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1^{z_1} \\ p_2^{z_1} \\ p_1^{z_2} \\ p_2^{z_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_s(\lambda_1) \\ f_s(\lambda_2) \\ f_s(\lambda_3) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Operatively we build a template matrix, however the problem is under-constrained and do not have a unique solution.
- We want to find a minimum set of templates that fits the stacked spectrum \rightarrow linear regression problem with non-negative constrain.

Method's performance

- We compare the BAO angular position computed with the real redshift distribution and the fitted one:

$$w(\vartheta) = \int \frac{d\ell \ell}{2\pi} J_0(\ell\vartheta) \int dr \frac{[p(z)\frac{dz}{dr}]^2}{r^2} P_g \left(\frac{\ell + \frac{1}{2}}{r}, z | \Omega \right) .$$

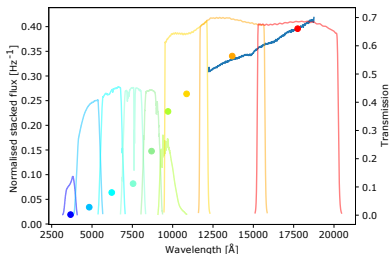
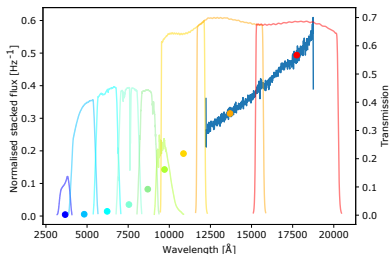
- The method error is quantified by:

$$\left\langle \left| \frac{\Delta\vartheta_{\text{BAO}}}{\vartheta_{\text{BAO}}} \right| \right\rangle = \left\langle \left| \frac{\vartheta_{\text{BAO}}^{\text{real}} - \vartheta_{\text{BAO}}^{\text{fit}}}{\vartheta_{\text{BAO}}^{\text{real}}} \right| \right\rangle_{\text{colour groups}} .$$

Euclid Flagship

- We base the synthetic photometric and spectroscopic data on the Euclid Flagship mock galaxy catalogue.
- We built three catalogues with different internal galaxy attenuation models:
 - *non-attenuated*: without galaxy attenuation,
 - *fixed* attenuation: galaxy attenuation is fixed and known,
 - *real* attenuation: galaxy attenuation is free and unknown.
- Each catalogue needs a specific template set in order to compute the redshift distributions.

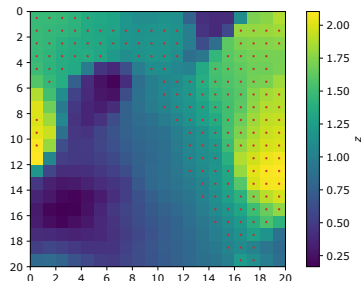
Data & Errors



- Spectroscopy in the Euclid range ($1.25 \div 1.85 \mu\text{m}$), and photometry in the three Euclid NISP filters (*YJH*) and the six ones of the Vera C. Rubin observatory (*ugrizy*) are known.
- Observational error is generated with Gaussian extraction. Two different error models are assumed for photometry and slitless spectroscopy.

Colour group division

- Self-organising maps (SOMs) are an unsupervised machine-learning algorithm, which projects high-dimensional data onto a lower-dimensional grid.
- We use a SOM to divide the galaxies by their colours. The cells of the SOM are the colour groups.

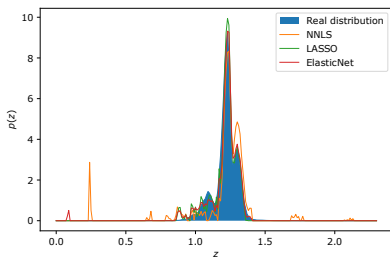


Red spots:

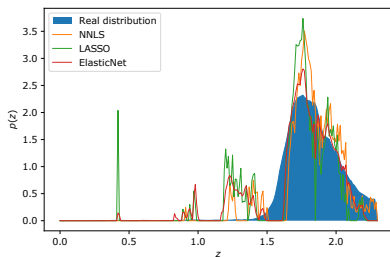
$$z_{\text{mean}} > 1 \wedge \sigma_z < 0.2$$

Analyses without spectroscopic noise

Non-attenuated catalogue

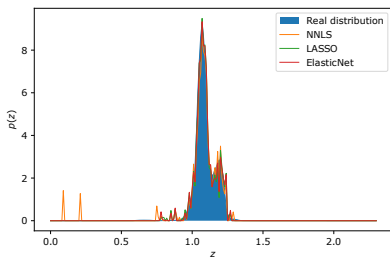


Real attenuation catalogue

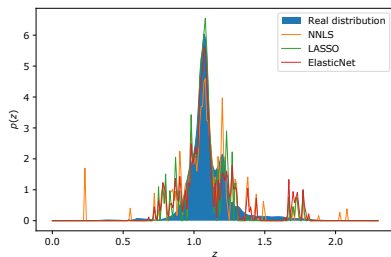


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Real attenuation catalogue



Results

Analysis without spectroscopic noise			
	NNLS	LASSO	ElasticNet
<i>non-attenuated</i>	0.0069	0.0062	0.0053
<i>fixed</i>	0.0086	0.0050	0.0040
<i>real</i>	0.019	0.021	0.014
Analysis with spectroscopic noise			
	NNLS	LASSO	ElasticNet
<i>non-attenuated</i>	0.0073	0.0071	0.0063
<i>fixed</i>	0.0099	0.0066	0.0057
<i>real</i>	0.016	0.023	0.015

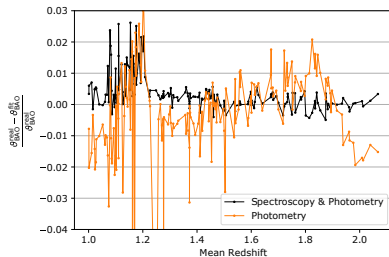
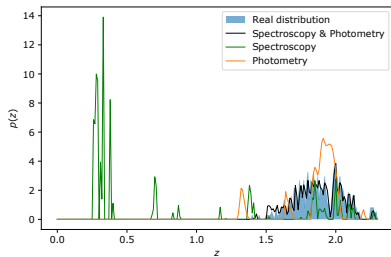
- Attenuation is the main limitation to the fit performance.
- Noise induces a 10% loss in the method precision introducing an additional degeneracy.

Conclusions

- In ideal condition the method is able to reconstruct with great detail the redshift distributions.
- The accuracy of the redshift distribution estimation is *limited primarily by internal galaxy attenuation* and its modeling.
- We expect a further loss in precision when analysing real data.
- We hope to *improve the performance* by adding physical priors and optimizing the template set.

Thanks for your Attention!

Spectro-Photometry vs. Photometry



$$\left\langle \left| \frac{\Delta v_{\text{BAO}}}{v_{\text{BAO}}} \right| \right\rangle = \begin{cases} 0.0044, & \text{for spectro-photometry} \\ 0.010, & \text{for photometry} \end{cases}$$