Alternatives to KSB and conclusions

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Course Summary: You should now be able to:

- Create object catalogues using SExtractor.
- Select stars and create a PSF model.
- Use KSB to measure weak lensing shear.
- Use BPZ to measure photometric redshifts
- Create a mass map!

- What is wrong with KSB?
- What level of accuracy do we need for the next generation of surveys?
- Shapelet-based methods
- Model Fitting methods
- Why lensing?
- Ground based surveys of the next 5 years
- The ultimate 2015+ surveys

KSB and the next generation of surveys

- KSB works amazingly well but is based on a key assumption that the PSF is circular with a anisotropic distortion (ie constant elliptical isophotes).
- It is also very unstable to the choices in its implementation
 - A reminder again to test any changes you make in KSBf90 with STEP data!
- It has magnitude and size biases hampering 3D lensing studies
- It's fine for cluster science but the next generation of surveys including CFHTLS need much better accuracy than KSB can provide.

Accuracy required in the future

This result comes from setting the maximum systematic error equal to the expected statistical noise from each survey



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STEP Classification of different methods

Shear	measur	ement	method
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		Passive Measure a number from the data	Active Fit a model to the data
on scheme	Subtraction Subtract a number from the data	KSB+ (various) Reglens (RM) RRG* K2K* Ellipto*	BJ02 (MJ, MJ2)
PSF correcti	Deconvolution Invert the PSF convolution	Shapelets (JB)	Lensfit Shapelets (KK) BJ02 (RN) im2shape*

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'Shapelet' methods



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Orthogonal basis functions

- Model the galaxy and PSF as a sum of basis functions (Gaussians, Hermite or Laguerre polynomials)
- Deconvolution of the PSF is then a 'simple' matrix inversion process

Model
$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-n}^{n} a_{nm} \chi_{nm} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c; \boldsymbol{\beta})$$
 both even or both odd or both odd Scale

Massey et al Gaussian example

$$\chi_{n,m}(r,\theta;\beta) = \frac{(-1)^{\frac{n-|m|}{2}}}{\beta^{|m|+1}\sqrt{\pi}} \left[\frac{\left(\frac{n-|m|}{2}\right)!}{\left(\frac{n+|m|}{2}\right)!} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} r^{|m|} L_{\frac{n-|m|}{2}}^{|m|} \left(\frac{r^2}{\beta^2}\right) e^{\frac{-r^2}{2\beta^2}} e^{im\theta}$$

Shapelet coefficients $a_{n,m} = \int_{0}^{2\pi} d\theta \int_{0}^{\infty} r \, dr \, f(r,\theta) \, \chi_{n,m}(r,\theta;\beta)$ Calculate from the data Catherine Heymans Lecture 3: Alternatives to KSB

Bernstein, Jarvis and Nakajima method



How accurate are shapelet-based methods?





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Choosing your shapelets: where to stop



- The flexibility of shapelets to model any galaxy morphology feature is also the main drawback.
- Increasing the number of shapelets (nmax), improves the fit - but you end up just fitting noise!
- You have to set a criteria of when to stop fitting, otherwise you bias your result.
- Shapelets is therefore well suited to model high S/N objects, but the faint fuzzy objects that make up the majority of the lensing survey don't gain much from this type of analysis.
- It makes no poor assumptions about the PSF like KSB, but gives the galaxy model too much freedom.

Model fitting: Ideal shape measurement method



Model fitting using galaxy profiles

Most galaxies are well fit by an elliptical Sersic profile

$$I(r) = I_o \exp{-(r/r_c)^{1/n}}$$

- This profile has 7 parameters
 - rc a scaling parameter
 - n the sersic index
 - x,y a centroid
 - Io a peak amplitude
 - a/b axial ratio
 - theta orientation



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Lensfit - a Bayesian model fitting method



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Example Posteriors $P(e_1, e_2)$

As galaxies become fainter P(e1,e2) becomes flatter



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A Bayesian Shear Estimator



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Problem I: Processing time



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- How do we get a likelihood estimate for each galaxy in under a second?
- A Sersic model has 7 parameters to vary
- Each model has to be fourier transformed
- Then multiplied with the **PSF** fourier transform
- Inverse fourier transform
- and difference to get a likelihood

Lensfit solution: Marginisation

- In lensing we want to know e1 and e2 only (2 parameters)
- Lensfit sets the Sersic index to 4 (common for Elliptical galaxies)
- It uses a neat technique to marginalise over the centroid position (see Miller et al 2008 for details)
- It normalises the peak flux to 1 in both the model and data, so lo=1
- The final stage is to marginalise over the scale parameter

$$\mathcal{L}(e_1,e_2) = \int dr \mathcal{L}(e_1,e_2,r) pprox \sum_{r_{\min}}^{r_{\max}} \mathcal{L}(e_1,e_2,r) \Delta r$$

End results: < I sec processing time per galaxy

Problem 2: What about that prior?

• For a Bayesian method to work you need to know a prior. In this case it is the distribution of intrinsic ellipticities before they have been lensed.



Posterior (likelihood of ellipticity given data)

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How to determine the prior



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Problem 2: What about that prior?

On average across the whole sky the shear=0, so with deep and wide enough data it is possible to use lensfit iteratively to get a good measure of the prior



Kitching et al 2008

Lensfit - very promising performance on STEP



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Lensfit - no bias with magnitude or size



Lensfit is very promising on simulated data

- It is by far the best method tested by the CFHTLS systematics collaboration
- This new way of thinking is a real breakthrough in shear measurement

- For the next generation of surveys we much higher accuracy in shear measurement than we can get with KSB.
- This has prompted many new methods to be proposed.
- The most promising is a Bayesian model fitting method called lensfit. The evolving code is available on request to Lance Miller and Tom Kitching

This shear analysis is all too tricky - why should I bother?



CFHTLS Wide: completed early 2009

PI:Y. Mellier



- 4m class telescope
- I square degree field of view
- 170 square degree survey
- 5 optical colours u,g,r,i,z
- I<24.5, zm ~ 0.8
- Data is public!



PanSTARRS: started summer 2009

- 1.8m class telescope
- 7 square degree field of view
- All sky survey
- 4 optical colours g,r,i,z
- r<24, zm ~ 0.6 (building up over many years)
- Very wide but shallow



PI: N. Kaiser

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KIDS: starting 2010

PI: K. Kuijken

- 2.6m class telescope
- I square degree field of view
- 1500 sq degree survey
- 4 optical colours u,g,r,i,z + NIR from VISTA
- I<24.0, zm ~ 0.7



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DES: starting 2010?

PI: J. Carlstrom

- 4m class telescope
- 3 square degree field of view
- 5000 sq degree survey
- 4 optical colours g,r,i,z + NIR from VISTA
- I<24.0, zm ~ 0.7
- Very similar to KIDS but bigger!



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LSST: Starting 2014?

- 8.4m ground-based telescope
- 10 square degree field of view
- All sky survey
- 5 optical filters ugriz
- r<27, useable zm~1.0
- Very wide and very deep the ultimate ground-based survey!



JDEM: Launch date 2015?

- 2m space-based telescope
- I square degree field of view
- 4000 sq degree survey
- 9 filters optical nearIR
- r<26.6, zm~1.2
- Wide and deep the ultimate space-based survey!



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- 1.2m space-based telescope
- 0.5 square degree field of view
- 20000 sq degree survey
- I-4 filters optical-nearIR
- R<24.5, zm~1.0
- European alternative to SNAP very wide but shallower



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Dark Energy; Cosmological constant?



- Predictions for Euclid (although very similar for the other surveys)
- 3D lensing helps break the degeneracy between a cosmological constant or an evolving dark energy model
- Combining with other cosmological probes such a SN or BAO improve things still further
- This is an exciting time to be getting into weak gravitational lensing - it's tricky but the potential makes it worth the effort!

- Thanks for listening and working so hard throughout the workshop!
- Now we'll listen to your presentations!