

Supernova Host Galaxy Identification in DES

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Why host matching matters

- Current & future surveys (DES, LSST) rely mainly on host galaxy spectra to obtain redshifts:
 - to use as a prior when photometrically typing a SN
 - to place the SN on a Hubble Diagram (x-coordinate)
- SN luminosities are known to correlate with host galaxy properties, so reliable identification of host galaxies is essential for cosmology and SN science

SDSS 3-Year Sample



R. C. Wolf et al. (in prep)

Why host matching isn't always easy



DES13C2ryh Search Template Subtracted



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- Use apparent size of nearby galaxies in addition to angular separation to determine host
- directional light radius (DLR) = separation of SN from galaxy in units of galaxy's apparent size

Starting Point: SDSS Supernovae

- SDSS Data Release: Compile 1736 SNe
 - Construct SN-host physical distance u (ACDM) cosmology
 - Construct distribution of SN orientation
- Use these as assumed distributions for placing DES SNe locations



with redshifts)

assumed

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Necessary DES catalog parar

Host galaxy position angle
Host galaxy axis ratio, *a/b* Host galaxy size





Visually check placement of SN locations

- Hosts are real DES galaxies (positions, photo-z's, A_IMAGE, B_IMAGE, THETA_IMAGE)
- SN separation, angle w.r.t host dictated by assumed SDSS distributions
- Ran current DES SN host matching algorithm on SN
- Correctly recovered 97% of the ~2000 hosts



Purity & Efficiency of host matching for test case

- Efficiency =
 - cumulative sum (normalized) of the DLR distribution
- Purity = in each bin, # of correct matches/ total # in bin



Problem 1: The *_IMAGE parameters are raw measurements, not corrected for PSF.



Problem 2: The MODEL_WORLD parameters for A, B, THETA are absent from the database.

Workaround: Try to use what exists to get better (PSF-corrected) parameters I need.

Position angle

ELLIP1MODEL_WORLD_[GRIZY] = $e_1 = |e|\cos(2\theta)$ ELLIP2MODEL_WORLD_[GRIZY] = $e_2 = |e|\sin(2\theta)$

Axis ratio

$$e_1^2 + e_2^2 = |e|^2$$
 $|e| = \frac{a-b}{a+b}$? or $|e| = \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$?

Size (r_eff) MAG_MODEL_[GRIZY] = mag from model-fitting MU_EFF_MODEL_[GRIZY] =

SB above bkg $(mag/arcsec^2)$

$$\label{eq:flux} \begin{split} \mathrm{Flux} &= (\mathrm{Flux}/\mathrm{Area}) \times \mathrm{Area} \\ 10^{-\mathrm{MAG}_\mathrm{MODEL}/2.5} &= 10^{-\mathrm{MU}_\mathrm{EFF}_\mathrm{MODEL}/2.5} \times \pi r_\mathrm{eff}^2 \\ \text{(arcsec)} \ r_\mathrm{eff} &= \sqrt{\frac{10^{-\mathrm{MAG}_\mathrm{MODEL}/2.5}}{\pi 10^{-\mathrm{MU}_\mathrm{EFF}_\mathrm{MODEL}/2.5}}} \end{split}$$

 $\theta = 0.5 * \texttt{atan2}(\texttt{e2},\texttt{e1}) * 180/\texttt{pi}$

THETAMODEL_WORLD

in deg (E of N? N of W?)

Position Angle



THETA_IMAGE measured CCW from +X (N of W) THETA_WORLD measured CCW from WORLD X (WORLD X = ?)

Axis Ratio



I believe
$$|e| = rac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2 + b^2}$$

is the correct relation, as it gives physical values in the expected range (someone please confirm!)

Size (r_eff)

- Is this estimate of size reasonable?
- r_eff does not seem to correlate with other measures of size in the table
- Is there a better parameter that could be used?



Extra Slides

Parametrizing Host Confusion

 S_i = separation distance of *i*th host (arcseconds) D_i = separation distance of *i*th host (DLR)

$$\Delta S_{ij} = S_i - S_j$$
$$\Delta D_{ij} = D_i - D_j$$



Investigating incorrect host matches

