



THE DARK ENERGY SURVEY



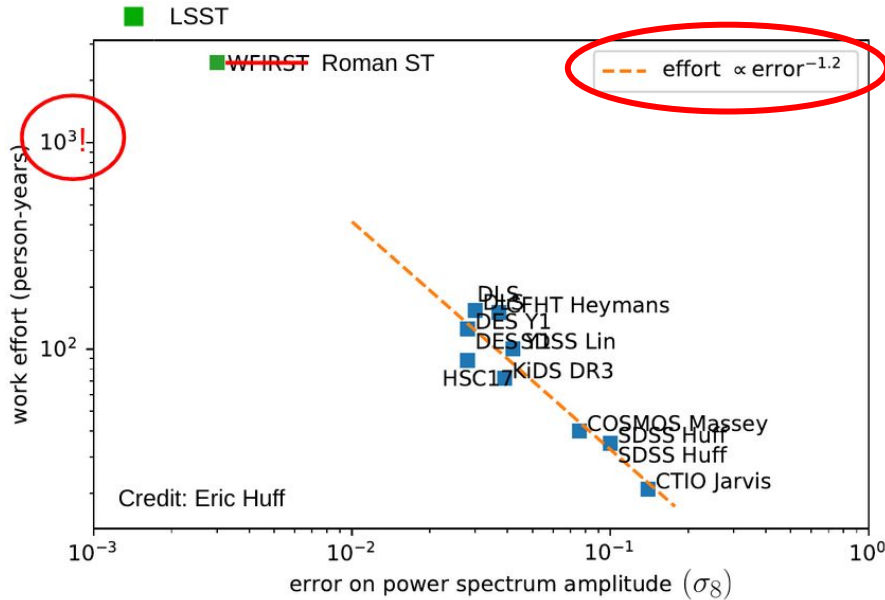
Balrog in DES Y3

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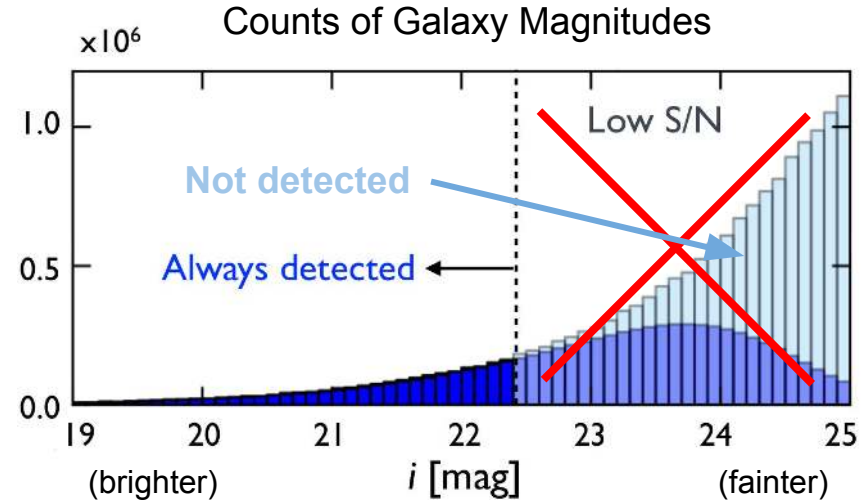
Spencer Everett presenting for lots of DES people, including:

Brian Yanny, Nikolay Kuropatkin, Eric Huff, Yuanyuan Zhang, Alex Alarcon, Sahar Allam, Alex Amon, Gary Bernstein, Katie Eckert, Jack Elvin-Poole, Daniel Gruen, Justin Myles, Judit Prat, Carles Sanchez, Erin Sheldon, and many others!

Taking a step back: **Why** do we need injection pipelines?



Many more ways to create a small systematic than a big one - **power law growth in work effort!**

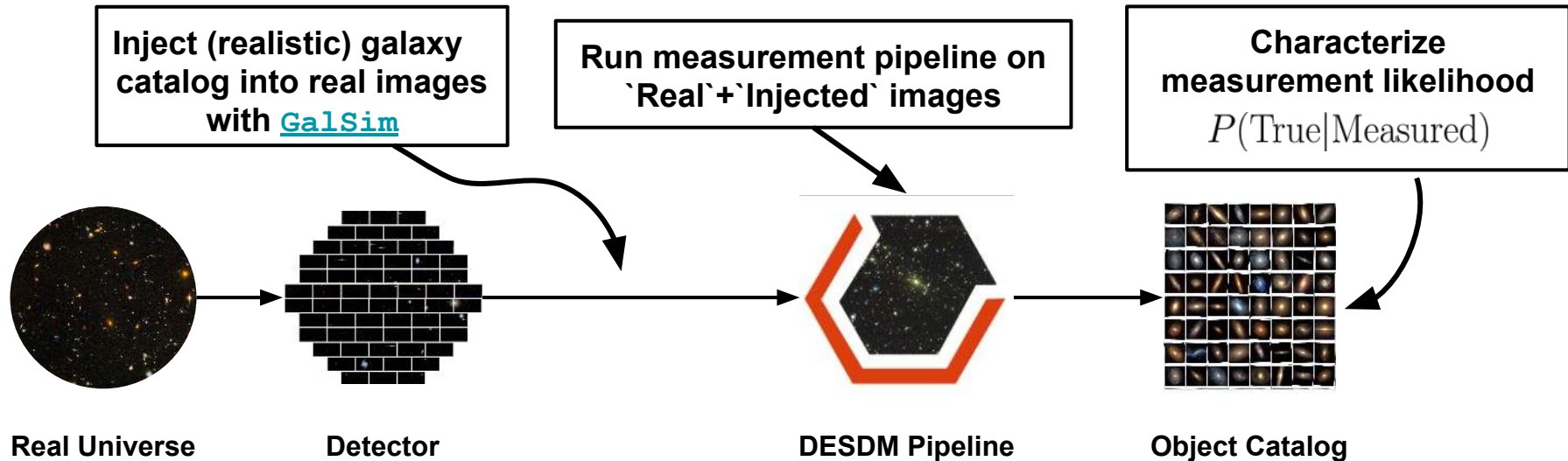


Traditionally we limit cosmology measurements to bright, highly complete subsamples - **throwing out most of the data!**

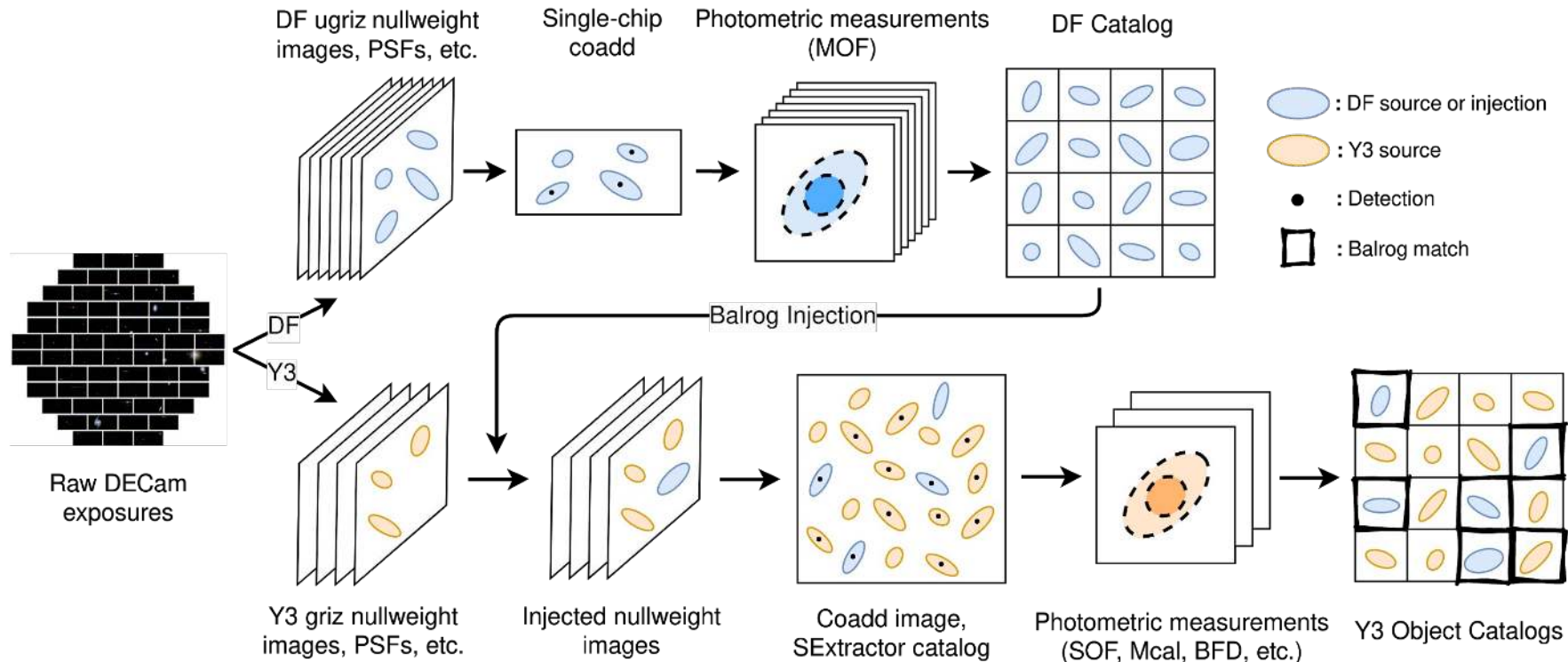
Balrog was first introduced in [Suchyta et al. 2016](#)

Characterizes the **selection effects** and **measurement biases** of the DES pipeline by injecting a realistic ensemble of fake star and galaxies into the real survey images

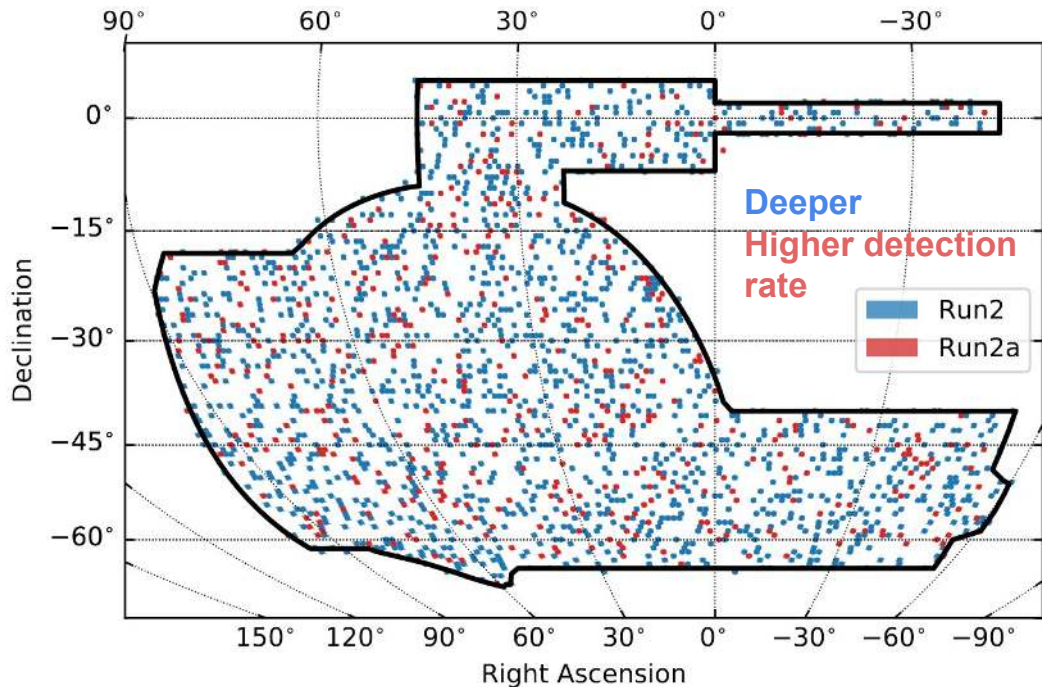
Balrog objects **inherit difficult to model systematic effects** that vary across the footprint



Injection Catalog Creation: Use measurements from the DES Deep Fields (DF) ([Hartley & Choi et al.](#))



Injection: New Balrog framework that handles single-epoch processing for DES data products ([Everett et al.](#))



~11.3 million detected from 26.4 million total injections from fits to sources in the Deep Fields

2,000 randomly selected tiles (~20% of full footprint)

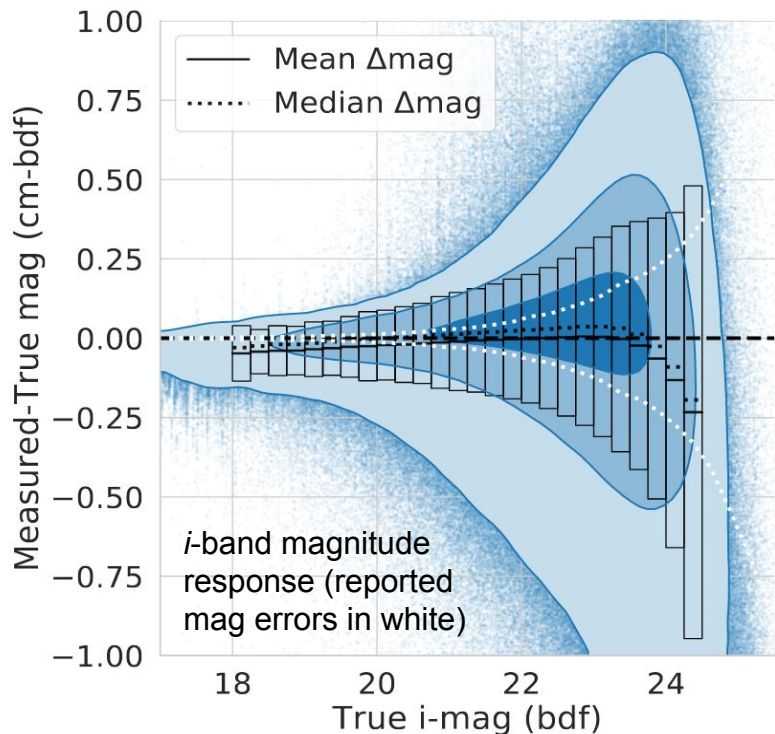
Injections on a *hexagonal lattice* of DF objects (80%) and simulated stars (20%)

Injected objects are reddened to account for local galactic extinction

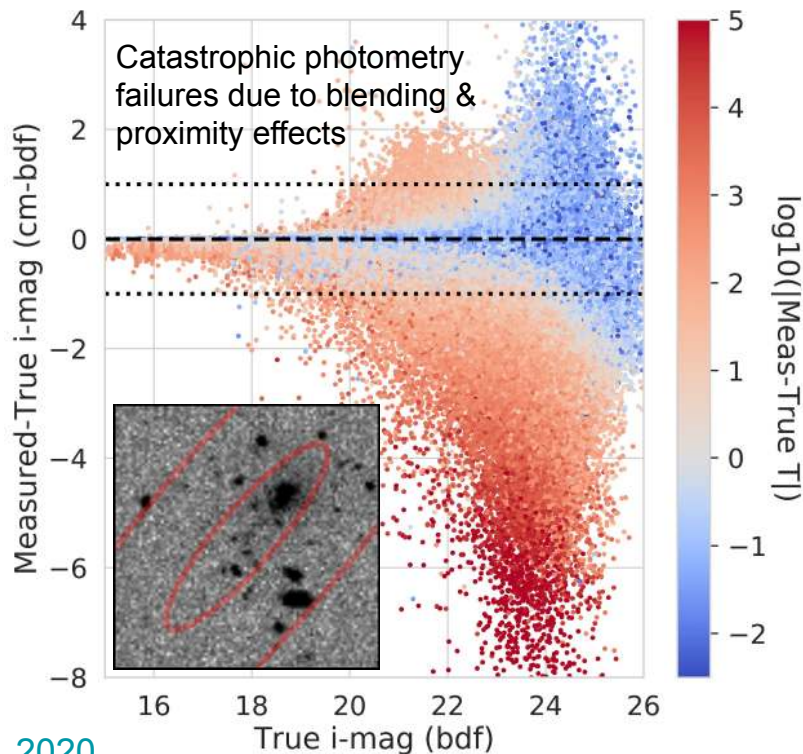
~80s CPU time per recovered Balrog injection; **12 times more expensive than Y1!**

What can we use injection pipelines for?

Photometric Calibration & Characterization



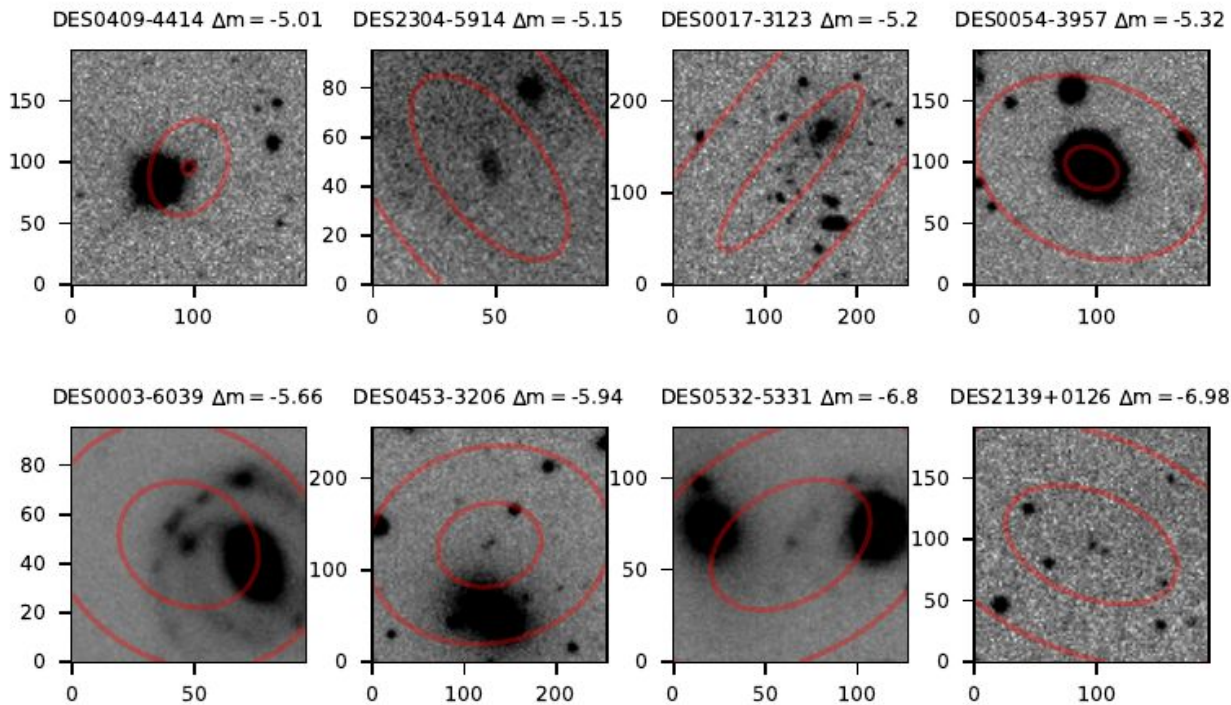
Diagnostics, Outlier Discovery, & Pipeline Feedback



Catastrophic photometry failures proportionally affect bright objects more, but are far more extreme for fainter (and thus usually smaller) galaxies; it is *heavily dependent on the local conditions*

50th and 95th percentile *measured* flux contours

“Super-Spreaders”

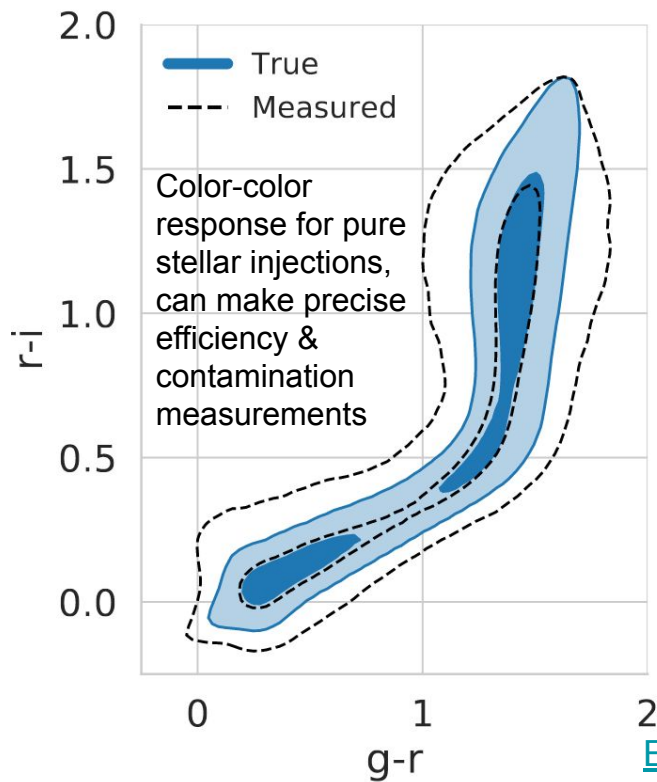


Extreme biases (*up to factors of ~2,000 in flux!*) can occur for:

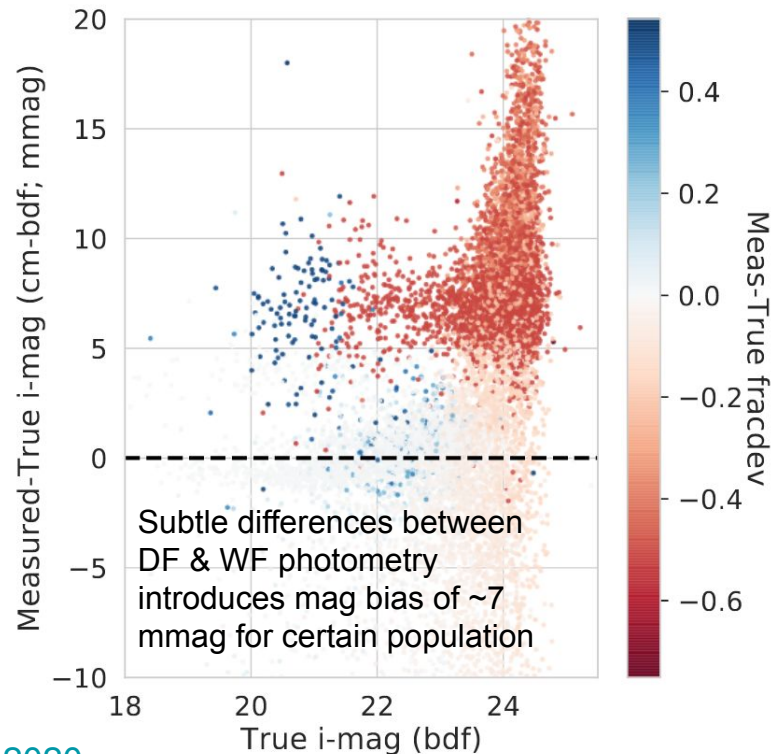
- *Dense fields* like galaxy clusters
- Regions with *image artifacts* such as scattered light
- Injections *near very large or bright sources* such as saturated stars

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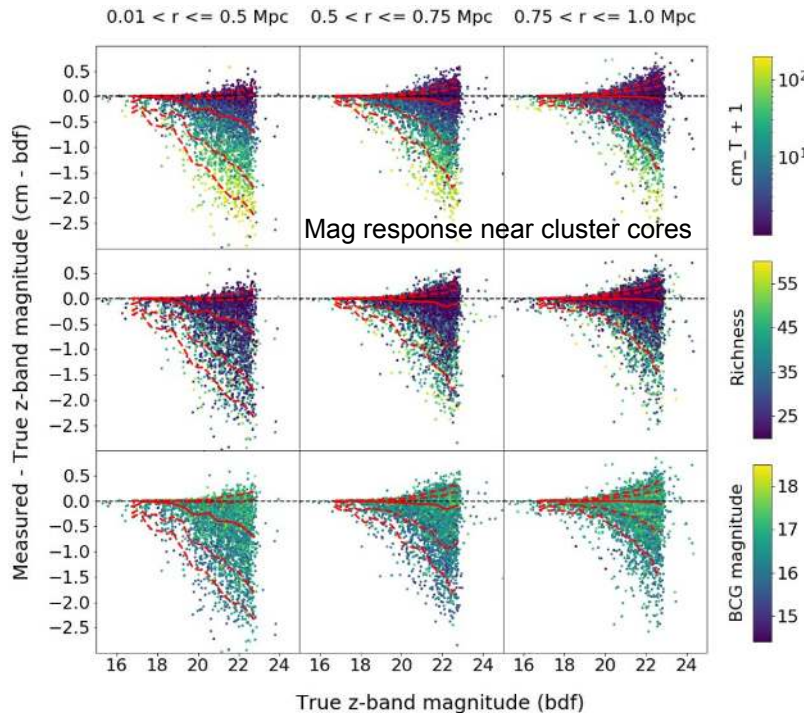


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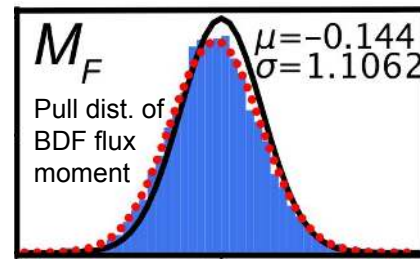
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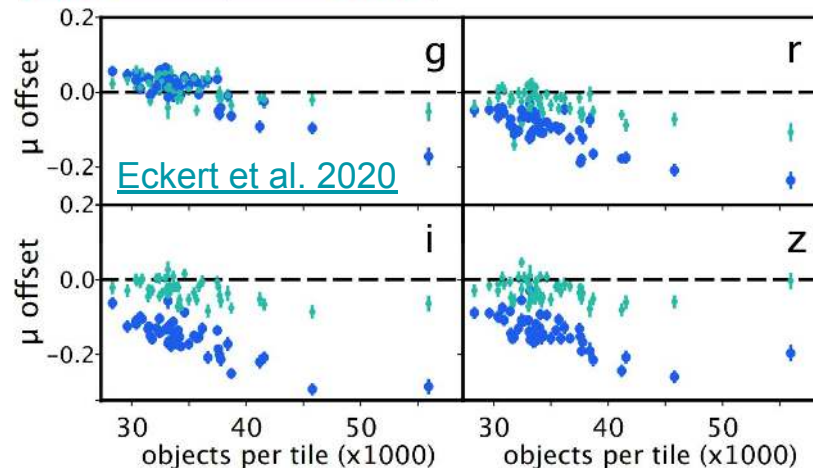


[Everett et al. 2020](#)

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Discovered noise from undetected sources in DES calibrated images; up to 30% underestimate of pixel variance. Also found evidence of sky over-subtraction in *riz*

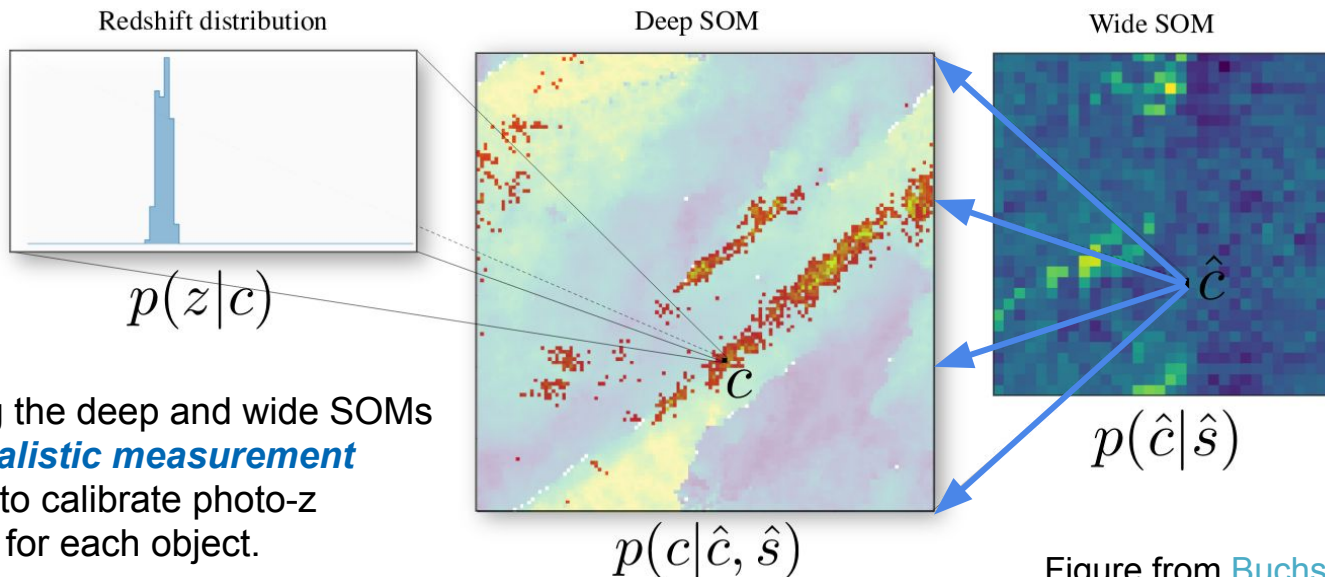


Main science driver for Y3 Balrog: **Photometric Redshifts**

New approach uses self-organizing maps (SOM) to link high-dimensional COSMOS Deep Field colors into galaxy *phenotypes* mapped to an equivalent *riz* Wide Field SOM by Balrog:

[Myles & Alarcon et al. 2020](#)

$$p(z|\hat{c}, \hat{s}) \approx \sum_c \underbrace{p(z|c)}_{\text{Redshift}} \underbrace{p(c)}_{\text{Deep}} \underbrace{\frac{p(c, \hat{c})}{p(c)p(\hat{c})}}_{\text{Balrog}} \underbrace{p(\hat{c})}_{\text{Wide}}$$



Connecting the deep and wide SOMs requires **realistic measurement likelihood** to calibrate photo- z distribution for each object.

Figure from [Buchs et al. 2019](#)

Secondary science driver for Y3 Balrog: **Lens Magnification**

Magnification is correlated large-scale structure and should be taken into account in the modeling of the two-point correlation functions

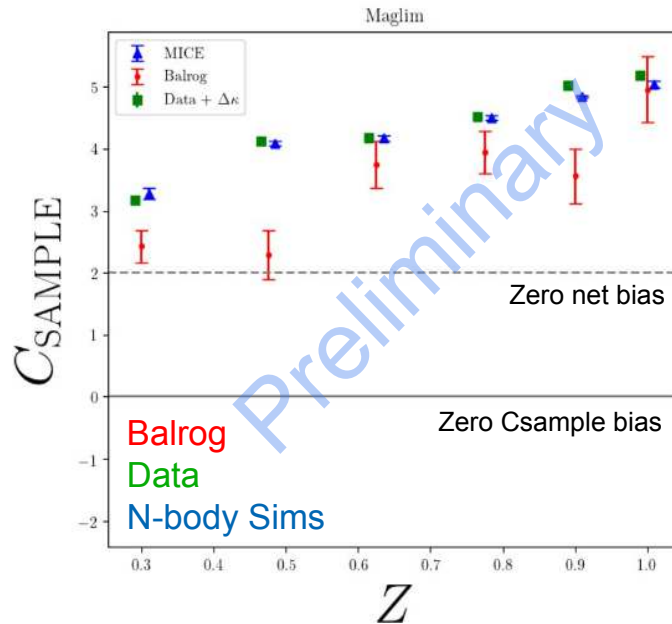
$$\delta_g^{\text{obs}} = \delta_g^{\text{int}} + \delta_g^{\text{mag}} = \delta^{\text{int}} + [C_{\text{area}} + C_{\text{sample}}] \cdot \delta\kappa$$

There are competing effects; a **geometric suppression** factor ($C_{\text{area}} = -2$) and an **boost in detection of faint sources** which increases the local number density:

$$C_{\text{sample}} \delta\kappa \approx \frac{n_{\text{int}}(F, \kappa = \delta\kappa)}{n_{\text{int}}(F, \kappa = 0)}$$

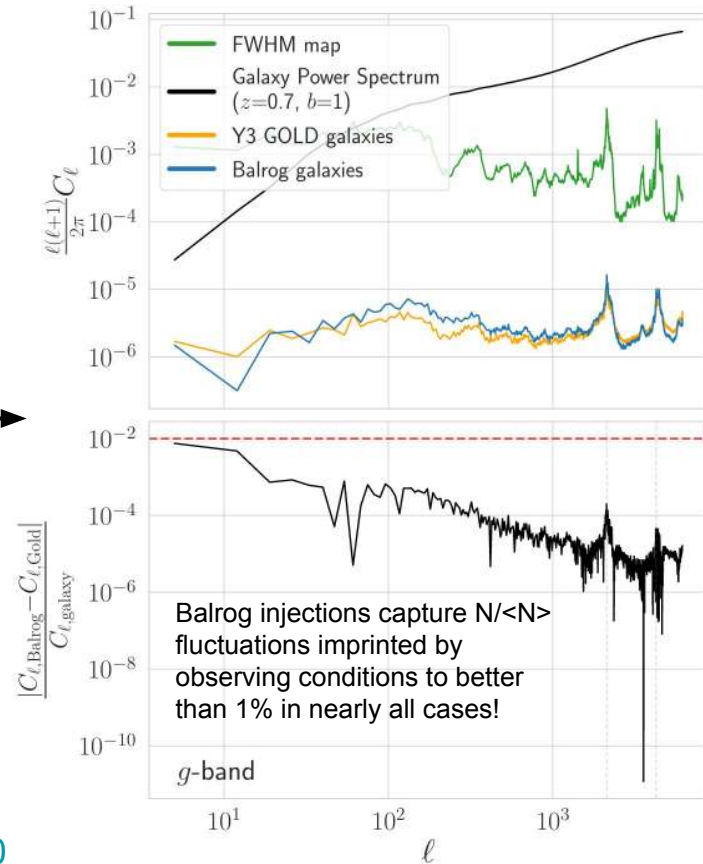
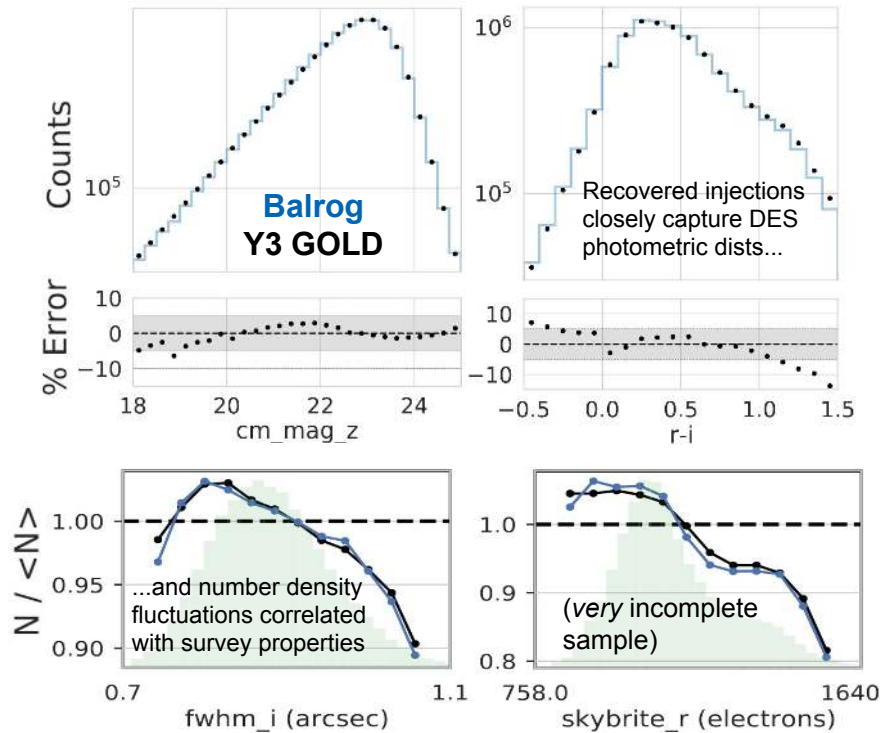
Balrog can measure the change in density of lens (or other!) galaxies as a function of observing systematics + magnification with slightly modified (& repeated) runs

Full measurement of C_{sample} for both DES clustering samples upcoming in Elvin-Poole et al. (in prep)



(If time) What can we use injection pipelines for?

Systematics Tests & Sample Randoms

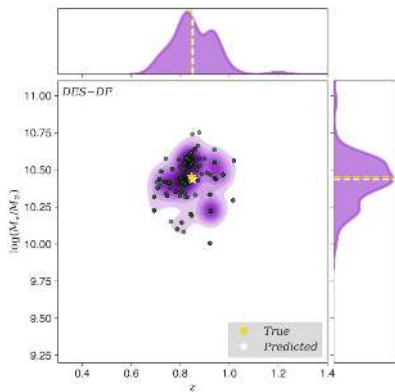
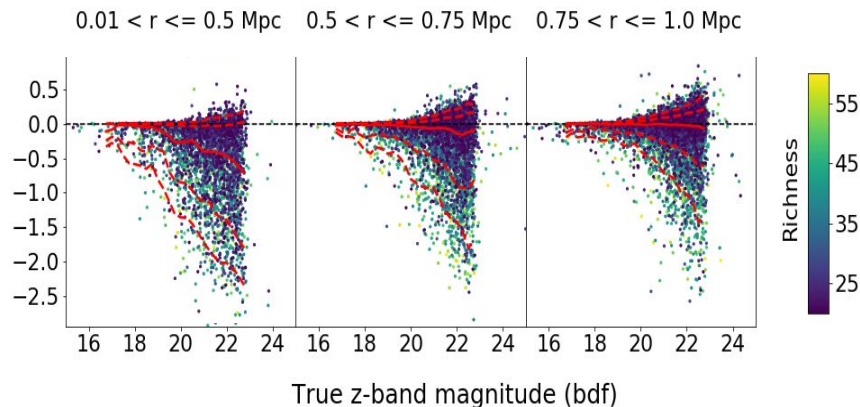


Far more diagnostic and calibration potential! Just a few additional applications that are either published or ongoing:

Investigating *photometric response near cluster cores* to constrain dark matter properties and improve cluster cosmology calibration:

[Everett et al. \(2020\)](#)

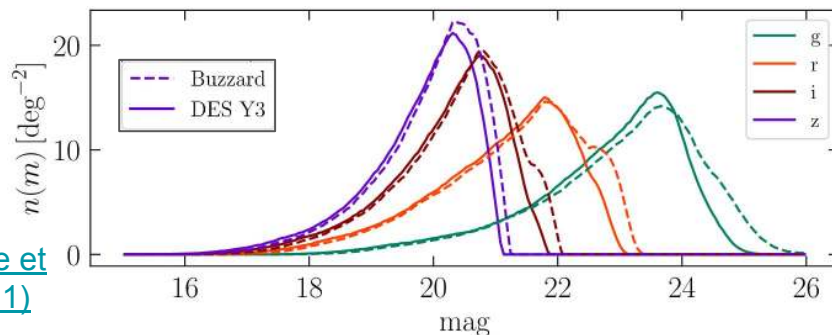
Masegian & Zhang et al. (in prep.)



Training ML methods for accurate joint redshift-stellar mass probability distributions

[Mucesh et al. \(2021\)](#)

Accurate *error estimation in end-to-end cosmology sims*



[DeRose et al. \(2021\)](#)

This is just the beginning of what we can do to fully incorporate object injection pipelines into our pipeline diagnostics & cosmological analyses!

The DES Y3 Balrog paper submitted to arXiv in December - [check it out!](#)

Full DES Y3 results & papers are being compiled [here](#)

Extremely computationally expensive to make large samples (rerun full measurement pipeline multiple times), so working on an ***emulation approach*** that uses the full runs as a training set. Also working to incorporate postage-stamp injections

Lots of lessons learned on how to run this kind of analysis at survey-scale. Many of these will be needed for effective object injection in LSST where the computational feasibility issues are ***much*** more difficult.

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