

Bayesian fusion of hyperspectral astronomical images

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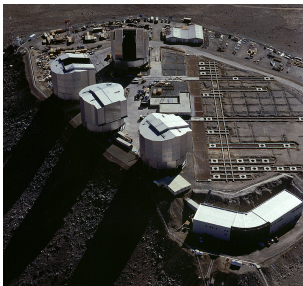
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MUSE: a new Integral Field Spectrograph (IFS)

Observing the universe

Instrument specifications

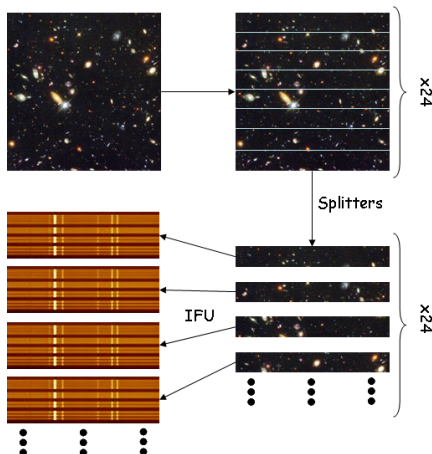
- Mainly dedicated to the observation of distant galaxies
- Wide-field IFS: **high spectral and spatial resolutions** \Rightarrow **hyperspectral** observations
- Spectral axis: 465 to 930nm, step 0.13nm \sim 4000 samples
- Spatial axes: $1' \times 1'$ field of view $\sim 300 \times 300$ samples
- One observation: **$300 \times 300 \times 4000$ pixels $\sim 1.2GB$**



Muse will be operational in 2012 on the VLT at Paranal, Chile

Inside MUSE

Observation acquisition



MUSE optics

A MUSE **raw observation** IS NOT a data cube $u = (x, y, \lambda)$ but a set of interlaced samples $p = (s, t, k)$:

- $s \Rightarrow$ spatial dimension (~ 4000 p.)
- $t \Rightarrow$ spectral dimension (~ 4000 p.)
- $k \Rightarrow$ IFU (24 CCD)

Mapping & reconstruction

- Mapping between (s, t, k) and (x, y, λ) positions \Rightarrow **pixtable**
- **Sensor space** \Rightarrow **Model space** : reconstruction
- MUSE default reconstruction: **DRS** (*Data Reduction Software*)

Using MUSE

Galaxy observation

Observing distant galaxies

- Study of such faint galaxies requires a **long exposure time** ~ 80 hours
- Because of **cosmic rays**, an acquisition session cannot be longer than 1 hour! \Rightarrow 80 observations of 1 hour each
- $80 \text{ observations} = 80 \times 300 \times 300 \times 4000 \text{ p.} = 80 \times 1.2\text{GB}$
- Quite complicated to handle and analyze... \Rightarrow Let's compute the average!

Simple average: a very bad idea!

Between each acquisition, observational parameters have changed :

- Atmospheric conditions: PSF and spatial shifts
- Geometric fluctuations: spatial and spectral shifts
- Noise, cosmic rays, bad pixels
- Exposure time, sky transparency
- Sampling grids

One needs an optimal fusion algorithm \Rightarrow Bayesian framework

Bayesian Fusion

Main features

Specifications

- **Data fusion**: combine the raw observations by inverting a **forward model** \Rightarrow The knowledge of instrument design and parameters is crucial
- Bayesian framework \Rightarrow **optimal data fusion**
- **Estimation of uncertainties** on the fused image

Issues to deal with...

- **Resampling** for the reconstruction of the observations over a common grid
- **Preserving astrometry and photometry**
- **Size of the data** ($\sim 1.2\text{GB}/\text{obs.}$) \Rightarrow critical issue for Bayesian approach
- **Set of related acquisition parameters**: PSF, variances, shifts, calibration, sampling grids... ($\sim 5\text{GB}/\text{obs.}$)
- Compromise between computing time and accuracy

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Image formation

From scene to sensor

The underlying "ground truth" T is disturbed

by :

Atmosphere

- variable **spatial convolution** (blur operator)

Instrument & CCD sensor

- variable **spatial convolution**
- variable **spectral convolution**
- variable **spectral and spatial shifts** (due to IFU)
- spatial and spectral **samplings**
- **acquisition noise**
- **missing data**: dead pixels (known), cosmic rays (unknown locations)...

And...

- **integration time, sensor offset, sensitivity...** (compensated by the **radiometric correction**)
- **spatial shifts** of the telescope between acquisitions



Image formation

From ground truth to observation

From T to Y^i (after radiometric correction)

$$Y_p^i = (T \star h_{u_p^i}^i)(u_p^i) + B_p^i$$

- u_p^i : **3D spatial-spectral sampling grid** defined by the sampling geometry (shift, orientation)
- $h_{u_p^i}^i$: **3D separable convolution kernel** ($PSF \times LSF$) depending on i and u_p^i
- $B_p^i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_p^i)$ where σ_p^i is a **signal-dependent standard deviation**
- + **cosmic rays** (unknown locations) and **bad pixels** (known locations) \Rightarrow setting $\frac{1}{\sigma_p^i} = 0$

Assumption: Y^i are band-limited

- **Assumption:** Y^i are **band-limited in space and wavelength** and recovering the ground truth T (not band-limited) from a set of Y^i is therefore not possible!
- **Our target:** a **band-limited version of $T \Rightarrow F = T \star \varphi$**
- Spatial and spectral resolutions of F are finite and fixed by the 3D kernel $\varphi = \varphi_x \times \varphi_y \times \varphi_\lambda$
- φ corresponds to the PSF of an ideal instrument (better than MUSE) but **how to choose φ ?**

Image formation

Choice of φ

φ = B-Spline function because:

- Finite and small footprint \Rightarrow Fast implementation
- Nearly band-limiting functions meaning that F is a good approximation of a band-limited signal [Unser]
- Third degree (cubic) B-Splines φ : good compromise between accuracy and complexity

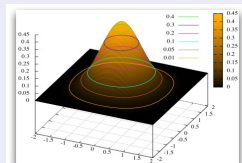
Application

- Band-limiting: $F = T \star \varphi$
- Interpolation theory :

$$F(z) \simeq \sum_m L_m \varphi(z - m), z \in \mathbb{R}^3, m \in \mathbb{Z}^3$$

- L is a discrete set of interpolation coefficients
- Our target \Rightarrow discrete version of F :

$$X_p = F(p) = (L \star \varphi)(p), p \in \mathbb{Z}^3$$



Target PSF (B-Spline 3)

Image formation

Application

Assumption: PSFs are bandlimited

- In practice, PSFs are wider than the B-Spline
- The PSF can be written as a discrete sum of kernels weighted by B-Spline coefficients
- Then:

$$\mathbf{Y}_p^i = (\mathbf{T} \star h_{u_p^i})(u_p^i) + B_p^i = \sum_m L_m \alpha_{pm}^i + B_p^i \text{ where } \alpha_p^i = h_{u_p^i}(u_p^i - m)$$

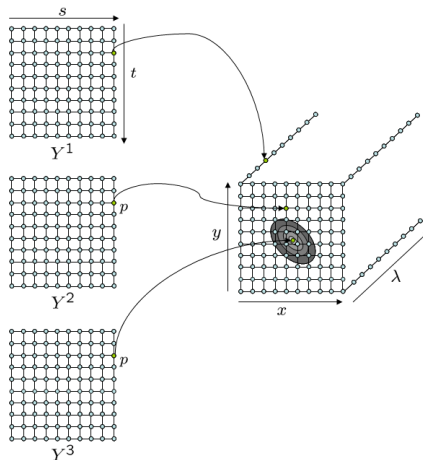
- The set α_p^i encodes, for each p , PSF, geometry and sampling grids and acts like a blur kernel
- α_p^i is almost perfectly known from calibration

Linear forward problem: matrix notation

- $\mathbf{Y}^i = \alpha^i \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{B}^i$ and $\mathbf{B}^i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{P}^{i-1})$ where \mathbf{P}^i is the inverse covariance matrix of \mathbf{Y}^i
- $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{L}$ where \mathbf{S} is the spline operator

Image formation

Understanding rendering coefficients



α : Principle

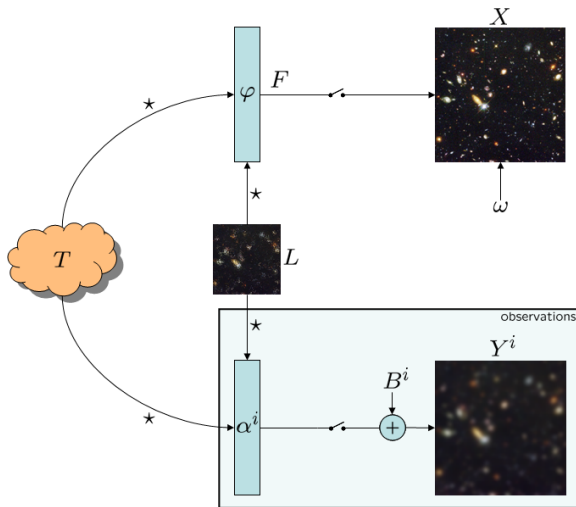
- Each Y_p^i is a **noisy combination of model space parameters** $\alpha^i \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{B}^i$

α : Computation

- For each p and depending on $\Theta^i \Rightarrow$ a set of α^i for each Y^i
- Each parameter set Θ^i is included in α^i : PSF, samplings, calibration...
- Theoretically \Rightarrow huge number of coefficients (for 1 MUSE observation: 750 PB)
- Thresholding (for 1 MUSE observation: still 1.2 TB)

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Fusion

Bayesian inference

Bayesian fusion \Leftrightarrow Maximize the *a posteriori* probability

$$P(\mathbf{L}|\{\mathbf{Y}^i\}_i, \omega) \propto \prod_i P(\mathbf{Y}^i|\mathbf{L}) \times P(\mathbf{L}|\omega)$$

Bayesian inference

- $P(\mathbf{Y}^i|\mathbf{L}) \Rightarrow$ Likelihood (data driven term) $\Rightarrow \mathbf{Y}^i|\mathbf{L} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^i\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{P}^{i-1})$
- $P(\mathbf{L}|\omega) \Rightarrow$ Prior on $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{SL}$. For now, we use a simple first-order Markov Random Field but one could use more realistic priors (sparse, astronomical objects)

Fusion: infer $\hat{\mathbf{L}}$ from the set $\{\mathbf{Y}^i, \boldsymbol{\alpha}^i\}$ then $\hat{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{SL}$

- Minimize the energy function $U(\mathbf{L}) = -\log(P(\mathbf{L}|\{\mathbf{Y}^i\}_i, \omega))$
- Conjugate gradient algorithm (iterative minimization)

Fusion

Deterministic, gradient-based energy minimization

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{L}} U(\mathbf{L}) = \underbrace{\left(\sum_i \alpha^{iT} \mathbf{P}^i \alpha^i \right)}_{\textcircled{2}} \mathbf{L} - \underbrace{\sum_i \alpha^{iT} \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Y}^i}_{\textcircled{1}} + 2\omega \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{L}$$

Dealing with large datasets

- Solving $\nabla_{\mathbf{L}} U(\mathbf{L}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow$ Evaluation of sums ① and ② for each iteration \Rightarrow time consuming!
- **Implementation:** pre-compute ① and re-compute ② to avoid storage issues

① Drizzling-like term

$$\Lambda^f = \sum_i \alpha^{iT} \mathbf{P}^i \mathbf{Y}^i$$

- Applying $\mathbf{P}^i \Rightarrow$ **Inverse variance weighting**
- Applying $\alpha^{iT} \Rightarrow$ **Shift cancellation and re-blurring to form a geometrically consistent result**

Fusion

Energy minimization

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② Data precision matrix $\mathbf{\Lambda}^f$

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}^f = \sum_i \alpha^{iT} \mathbf{P}^i \alpha^i$$

- Computation of $\mathbf{\Lambda}^f$ is highly time consuming and mainly depends on the size of the PSF
- Size of $\mathbf{\Lambda}^f$ is higher than the size of each α^i

Deconvolution

Estimation of $\hat{\mathbf{X}}$ and uncertainties

Minimization of $U(\mathbf{L})$

- **Conjugate gradient**
- Fixed ω (weight of the prior): **estimation from complete data or ideal image**. *Automatic estimation may be highly time-consuming due to the size of the data (under investigation)*
- After convergence, we get $\hat{\mathbf{X}} = \hat{\mathbf{S}}\mathbf{L}$

Estimation of uncertainties on $\hat{\mathbf{X}}$: precision matrix $\Sigma_{\mathbf{X}}$

- **Approximation**: posterior distribution of \mathbf{X} is a multivariate Gaussian: $\mathbf{X}|\{\mathbf{Y}^i\}_i, \omega \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbf{X}}, \Sigma_{\mathbf{X}})$
- Inverse covariance matrix $\Sigma_{\mathbf{X}}^{-1} \Rightarrow$ **Second derivatives of the log-pdf at the optimum** $\Rightarrow \nabla_{\mathbf{X}}^2 U(\mathbf{X})$
- With $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{S}^{-1}\mathbf{X}$:

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{X}}^{-1} = \mathbf{S}^{-1T} \alpha^f \mathbf{S}^{-1} + 2\omega \mathbf{S}^{-1T} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{S}^{-1}$$

Uncertainties

Use of uncertainties

More about $\Sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^{-1}$

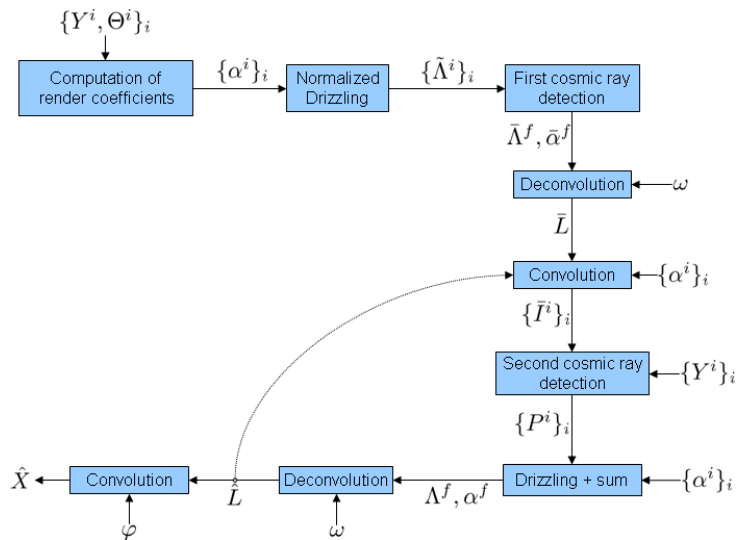
- **Large sparse matrix:** closely related to α^f
- **Same storage as α^f :** list of non-zero values
- The inverse covariance matrix is computed **after the deconvolution**
- Use of $\Sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^{-1}$ for **further investigations:** denoising, new fusion...

More about $\Sigma_{\mathbf{x}}$

- **Require the inversion of the large matrix $\Sigma_{\mathbf{x}}^{-1}$**
- Can be performed **for the neighborhood of the desired pixel i** using a conjugate gradient algorithm
- One can only **focus on variances and nearest neighbor covariances**
- **Additional information** can be found in [Jalobeanu, Gutierrez]

Fusion pipeline

Fusion diagram



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Preliminary results

Results #1

Simulated data using simple astronomical objects

- For the moment, we do not have access to real data, but accurate simulations of the MUSE instrument will be available in a few weeks
- We have developed a little "toy model" allowing us to **simulate raw astronomical observations with variable parameters** (spatial and spectral shifts, variable PSF, noise, IFU number...) **containing simple gaussian objects** (stars and galaxies)

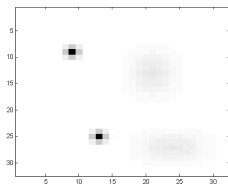
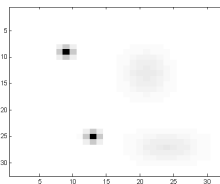
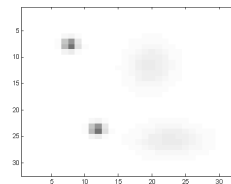
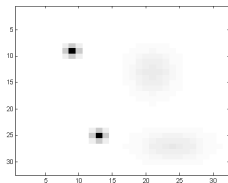
Dataset

- The **ground truth \mathbf{T}** is composed of **4 objects** : **two stars** (spatial dirac with a spectrum composed of a gaussian/dirac mixture) and **two galaxies** (gaussian spatial profile with a spectrum composed of a gaussian/dirac mixture)
- Four $32 \times 32 \times 32$ observations** with different PSF, variable spatial shifts, constant noise :

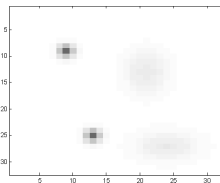
#	PSF_{λ_0}	PSF_{λ_n}	LSF_{λ_0}	LSF_{λ_n}	Spatial shifts (x, y)	SNR (Star, Galaxy, Total)
1	1.4	1.96	1.8	1.9	(0, 0)	(57, 38, 44)
2	1.6	2.24	1.4	1.46	(1.2, 1.4)	(56, 38, 43)
3	1.4	1.96	1.4	1.46	(0.4, 0.5)	(57, 38, 44)
4	1.7	2.38	1.7	1.8	(0.2, 0.3)	(55, 38, 43)

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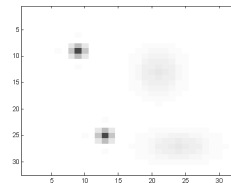
Band 1

(a) X (b) Y^1 (c) Y^2 

(d) Bayesian fusion



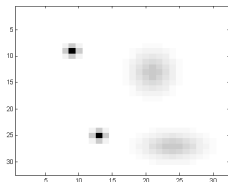
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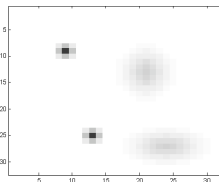
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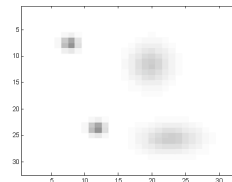
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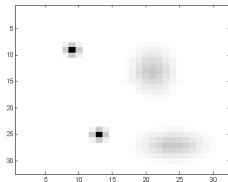
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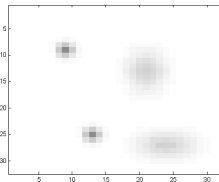
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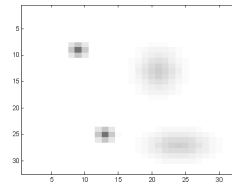
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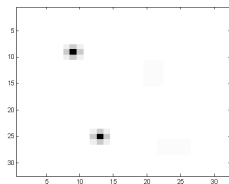
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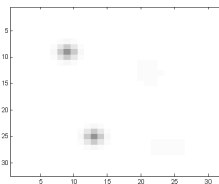
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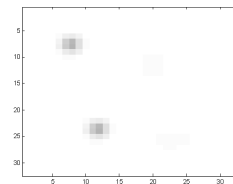
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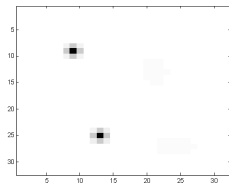
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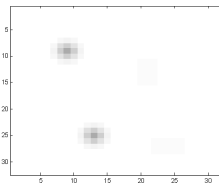
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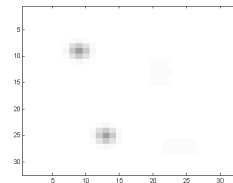
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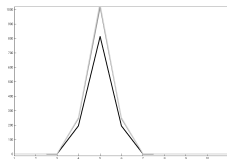
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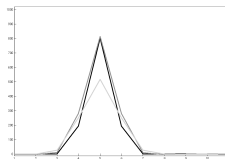
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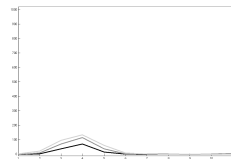
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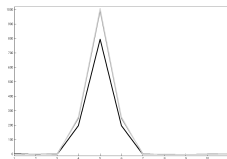
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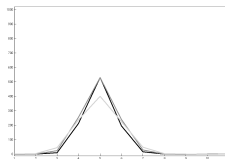
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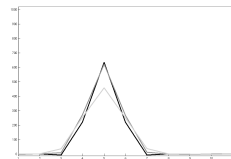
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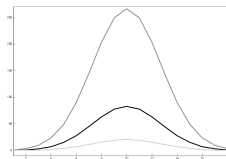
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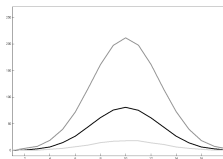
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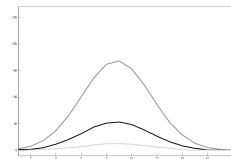
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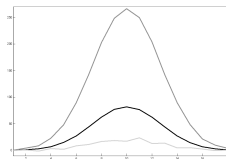
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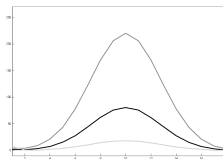
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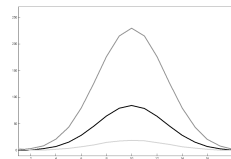
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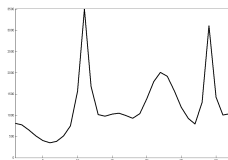
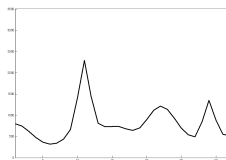
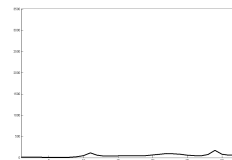
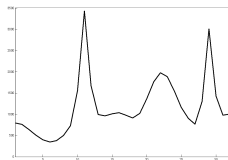
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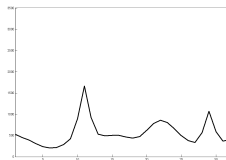
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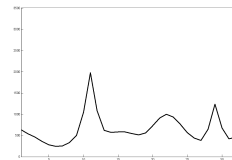
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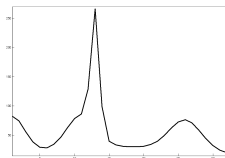
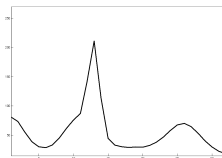
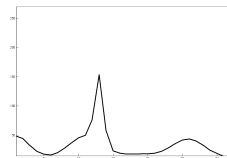
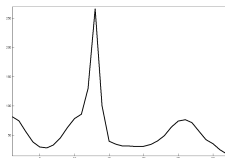
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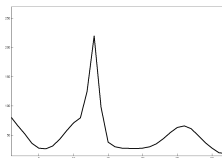
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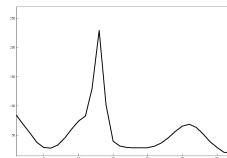
Galaxy spectra

(a) X (b) Y^1 (c) Y^2 

(d) Bayesian fusion



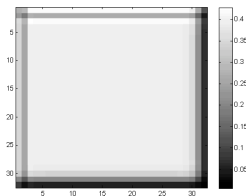
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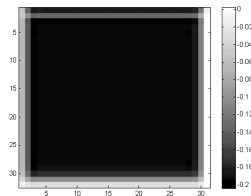
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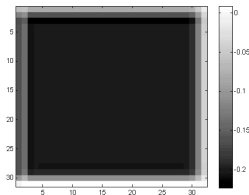
Covariances : band 16



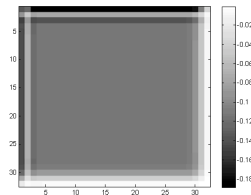
(a) Var.



(b) Covar. : right neighbors



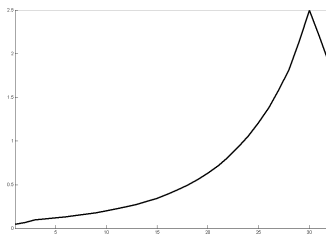
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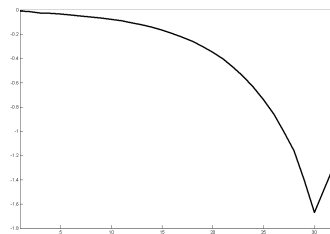
(e) Covar. : front neighbors

Results #1

Covariances : spectrum at (16, 16)



(a) Var.



(b) Covar. : right neighbors

Conclusion and perspectives

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- **Fusion and reconstruction** of complex hyperspectral observations (with various PSF, shifts...) within a rigorous Bayesian framework
- **Uncertainty computation** using a deterministic approach
- **Management of large datasets (raw data and parameters)**
- Ability to deal with **additional observations**

Perspectives

- Implementation of a 2-step detection of cosmic rays
- "Play" with the simulations: add observations, spectral shifts, higher noise, larger blur size and check the robustness of the method
- Development of the pipeline for real observations (scaling)
- Visualization of the variances
- Improve the prior on X