

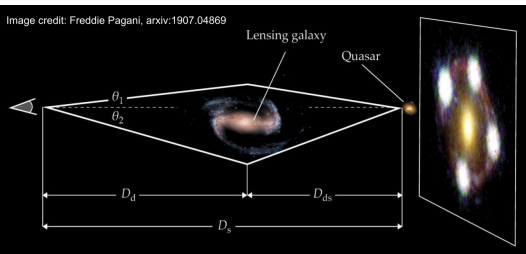
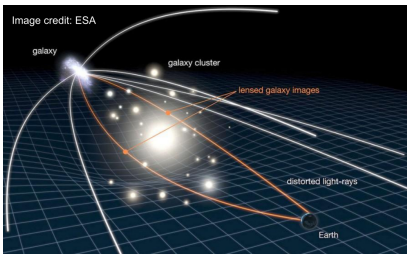
Harnessing the Power of Unresolved Lensed Systems

Detecting Strong Lenses and Measuring Time Delays from Unresolved Light Curves

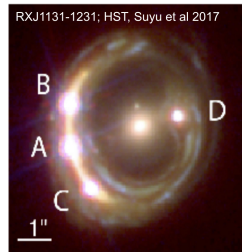
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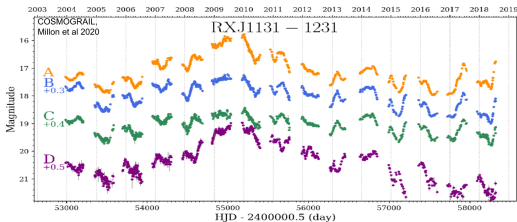
- Λ CDM model fits individual data sets very well.
 - also – SNe1A + BAO + CMB
- But Tensions in some combination: cannot be explained by minimal modifications.
- **H_0 tension:** early universe vs local measurements
 67.4 ± 0.5 vs 73.04 ± 1.04 km/s/Mpc
- **S_8 tension** (clustering).
- **Systematics? New Physics? or Both?**
- **Need independent probes:**
Strong Lensing, GW cosmology etc.



- Multiple images.
- Different Magnifications.
- Time delays.
 - Different geometrical paths.
 - Different gravitational potential.
- Flux ratio anomalies \implies Dark Matter.



Variable sources : Time delays



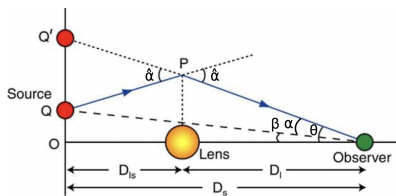
- Time delay:

$$\Delta t_{A,B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{D_l D_s}{D_{l_s}} (1 + z_l) [\phi(\vec{\theta}_A, \vec{\beta}) - \phi(\vec{\theta}_B, \vec{\beta})]$$

$$\phi(\vec{\theta}, \vec{\beta}) = \left[\frac{1}{2} (\vec{\theta} - \vec{\beta})^2 - \psi(\vec{\theta}) \right]$$

- Also needed:

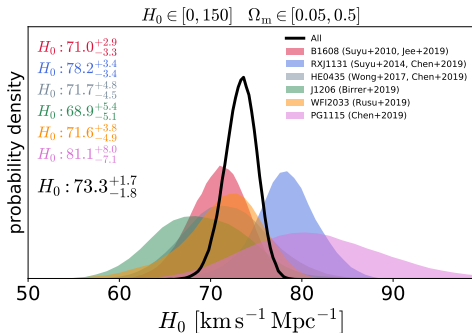
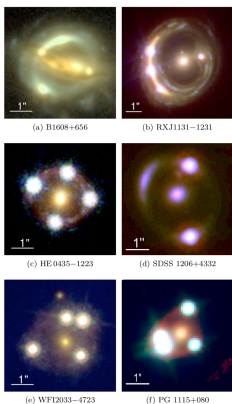
- Angular positions: $(\vec{\theta}, \vec{\beta})$.
- Lens mass distribution: $\psi(\vec{\theta})$.
- Redshifts.



Credit: Zalesky & Ebeling

- Time delays can be measured: **variable sources – QSOs, SNe**

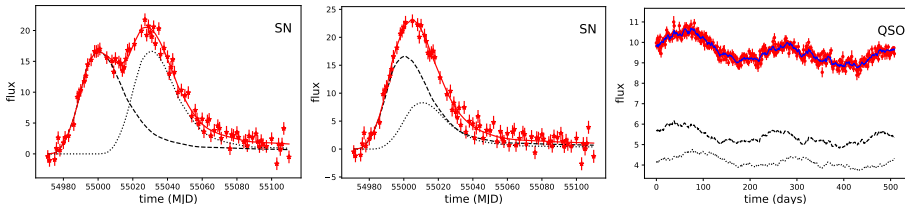
- Observed: few tens of Lensed QSO's and 3 confirmed lensed SNe.
- H0LiCOW with 6 LQSO's: $H_0 = 73.3^{+1.7}_{-1.8}$ km/s/Mpc (Λ CDM) [Wong+ 2020]



Credit: H0LiCOW team, Martin Millon, Vivian Bonvin

- Model independent: $H_0 = 72.8^{+1.6}_{-1.7}$ km/s/Mpc [Liao, Shafieloo+ 2020]
- **More Samples → Better Accuracy**

- When spatially unresolved, we observe a joint light curve.

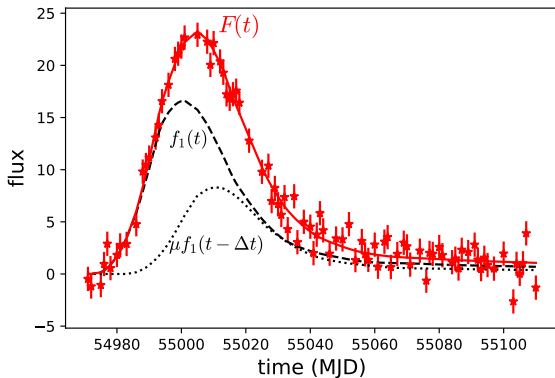


Simulated examples

- Working with unresolved light curves has many advantages.
 - No need for resolving images a priori.
 - No need for high-resolution telescope monitoring individual images. Smaller telescopes can be used.
 - Fast scan through light curve databases.
 - No confusion between lensed and binary QSO's.
- ZTF, Rubin, Roman etc will observe many lensed systems but a lot can remain unresolved.

- Lensed SNe and QSO's have their own advantages.
- In favour of Lensed SNe: emerging field.
 - well understood light curves,
 - Type1A : standard candle
 - one needs to monitor for months
- Rare: only three lensed SNe have been confirmed yet.
- In favour of Lensed QSOs: more abundant, not transients.

- ① Unresolved lensed SNe
- ② Unresolved lensed quasars



- For simplicity we consider only two images

$$F(t) = f_1(t) + \mu f_1(t - \Delta t) ,$$

$$f_1(t) \equiv a_1 \mathcal{F}(t - t_1)$$

(Observed lightcurve of the 1st image)

$$\mu = a_2/a_1 , \quad \Delta t = t_2 - t_1$$

magnification and time delay
relative to the 1st image

$$F(t) = f_1(t) + \mu f_1(t - \Delta t), \quad f_1(t) = \text{(Observed flux of the 1st image)}$$

$$\mu = \mathbf{a}_2 / \mathbf{a}_1, \quad \Delta t = \mathbf{t}_2 - \mathbf{t}_1 \quad \text{magnification and time delay relative to the 1st image}$$

- Modelling the SN with a generic **log-normal template** with **Chebyshev polynomials** (crossing statistics [Shafieloo et al 2012, Shafieloo 2012]):

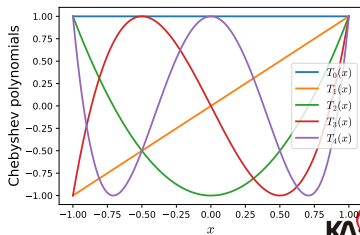
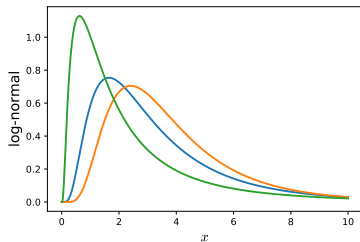
$$f_{1,j}(t) = N_j \frac{1}{t} \exp \left[-\frac{(\ln t - b_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2} \right] \times (\text{Crossing terms})$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Crossing terms}) = & \left[1 + C_{1,j} t_{s,j} + C_{2,j} (2t_{s,j}^2 - 1) \right. \\ & + C_{3,j} (4t_{s,j}^3 - 3t_{s,j}) \\ & \left. + C_{4,j} (8t_{s,j}^4 - 8t_{s,j}^2 + 1) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

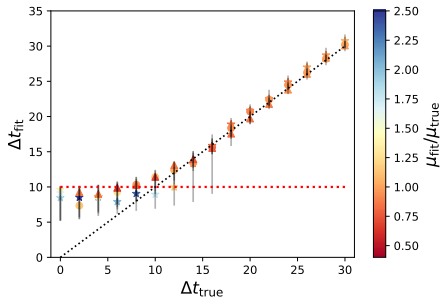
We focus on **ZTF-1a**: 3 filters : g, r, i.

Total fit parameters: $3 \times (2 + 1 + 4) + 2 + 1 = 24$

⇒ **HMC** used in fitting.

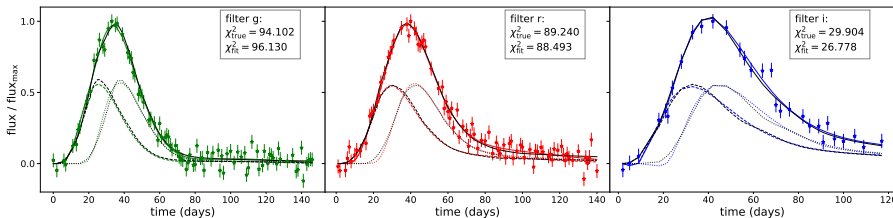
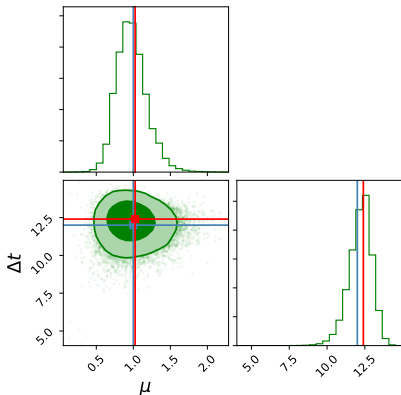


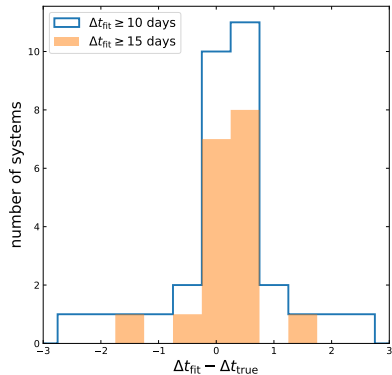
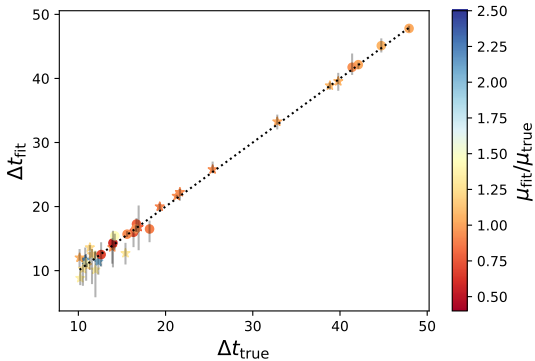
- Simulations using 'SNCosmo'.
 - $\Delta t_{\text{true}} = 0, 2, 4, 6, \dots, 28, 30$ days. Total 16 time delays.
 - $\mu_{\text{true}} = 0.5, 1.0, 2.0$. Different noise levels considered.
- 5% noise level



- For $\Delta t_{\text{true}} \geq 10$ days: $\Delta t_{\text{fit}} \approx \Delta t_{\text{true}}$ **Good match!!!**
- For $\Delta t_{\text{true}} < 10$ days: $\Delta t_{\text{fit}} \lesssim 10$ days. **Not trustworthy!!!**

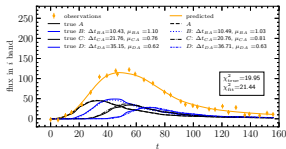
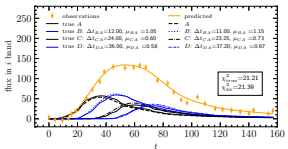
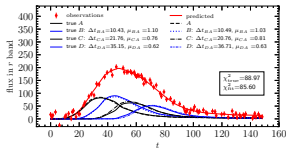
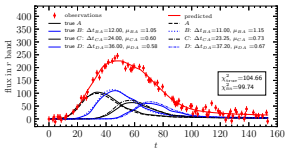
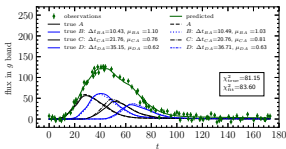
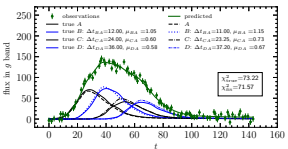
$\Delta t_{\text{true}} = 12$ days
 $\mu_{\text{true}} = 1.0$





Time delay selection	$\epsilon_{\Delta t}$
$\Delta t_{\text{true}} \geq 10$ days	4.95%
$\Delta t_{\text{true}} \geq 15$ days	2.65%

Suspected type-1a: Hsiao + free-form

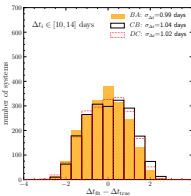
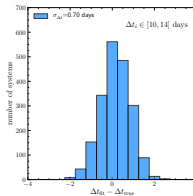
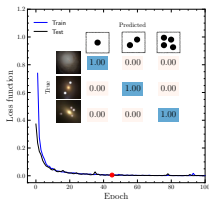
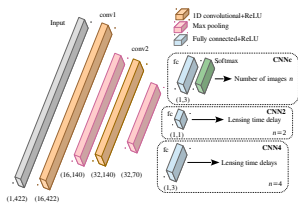


- For suspected type-1a cases
- Hsiao SN1a template + free-form
- Higher precision
- Works for Quad systems

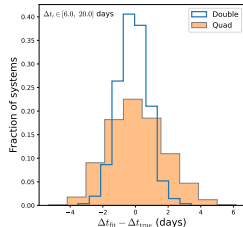
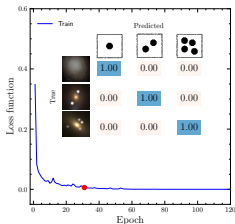
Denissenya, SB, Kim, Linder, Shafieloo, MNRAS 511 (2022) 1210

Another approach: Convolutional Neural Network

• Denissenya, & Linder 2022



- Fairly insensitive to: noise $\sim 20\%$, small time delays, missing early data.
- But trained and tested on same Hsiao template.
- **Work in progress:** smooth the noisy data
- Mix SN templates (Hsiao + SALT2) and/or types.
- Vary redshift and noise levels.
- Test how sensitive to microlensing, cadence etc.



Preliminary results

• CNN can be used for unresolved lensed SNe.

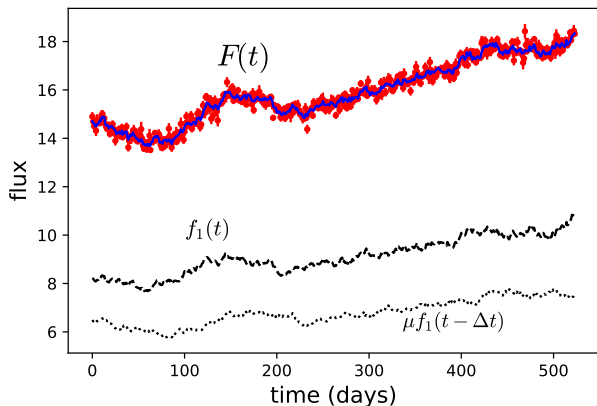
- Lensed SNe can be the next frontier in the cosmic probes.
- Growing in number but many can remain unresolved in wide field surveys.
- Discussed three flexible methods to detect unresolved SNe and to extract the time delays from the joint light curves.
- **Crossing statistics:**
 - Model agnostic, suitable for unclassified SNe.
- **Free-form:**
 - For suspected type-1a cases: more precise, tested for quad systems.
- **Convolutional Neural Network:**
 - Work in progress.
- **Can be used for lensed SNe detection in ZTF, LSST, Roman etc.**

- Incorporate **microlensing**: both perform well for toy microlensing effects.

SB, Denissenya, Kim, Linder, Shafieloo+, in progress

- Employing Deep Learning (CNN).
- Build pipelines for ZTF and LSST.

- ① Unresolved lensed SNe
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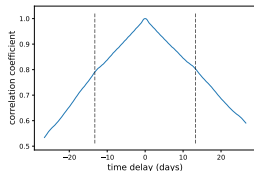
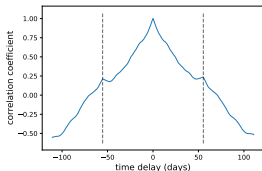
- $F(t) = f_1(t) + \mu f_1(t - \Delta t)$
- We know very little about the time variability of quasar light curves.
No constraint on $f_1(t)$.
- Is it possible to detect lensing from $F(t)$, at all?

- [Springer and Ofek (2021)] assume the power spectrum to be a power law (red noise).
- [Shu et al 2021] employed with auto correlation.
- [Biggio et al 2021] use CNN: trained and tested on light curves with same time variability.
- **Not completely model independent.**

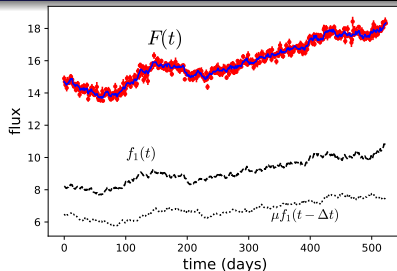
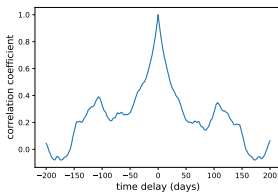
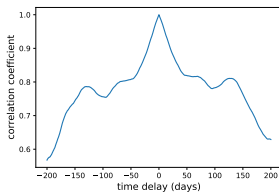
$$\text{ACF}(t_{\text{lag}}; F) = \frac{\langle [F(t) - \langle F(t) \rangle][F(t + t_{\text{lag}}) - \langle F(t) \rangle] \rangle}{\langle F^2(t) \rangle - \langle F(t) \rangle^2}$$

- When $t_{\text{lag}} \approx \pm \Delta t_{\text{true}}$ one expects excess power in ACF.

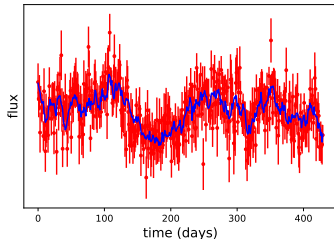
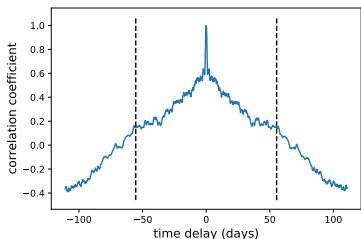
- Lensed systems (No noise):



- Unlensed systems (No noise):



- Lensed systems (with noise):



- **Auto-correlation is not reliable!**
- See also [Geiger & Schneider 1996], [Shu et al 2021]
- [Shu et al 2021] use DRW template for both simulation and validation.
- **Not model independent.**

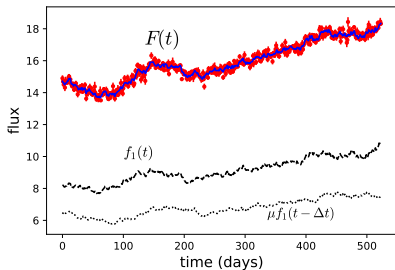
Image reconstruction

- Consider 2-image lensed system for simplicity.

$$F(t) = f_1(t) + \mu f_1(t - \Delta t)$$

$$f_{1,\text{rec}}(t|\Delta t, \mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\mu)^n F(t - n \cdot \Delta t)$$

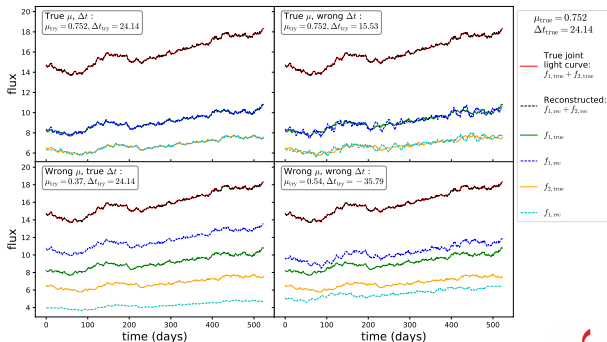
- converges for $\mu < 1$: Unique solution



- Let us call brighter image as first image $\Rightarrow \mu \leq 1$.

- One can reconstruct the images ($f_1(t)$) for any choice of $(\mu_{\text{try}}, \Delta t_{\text{try}})$.

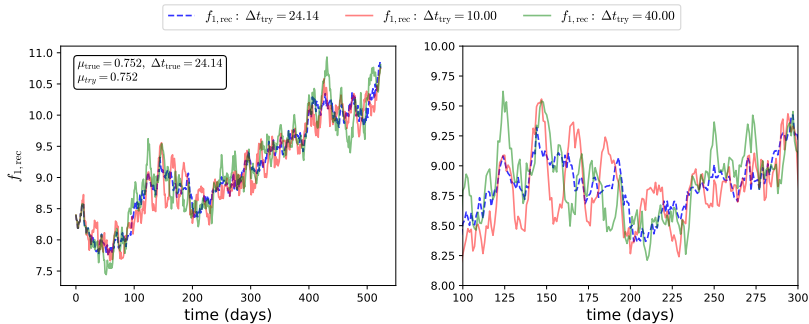
see also [Geiger & Schneider 1996]



$$F_{\text{rec}}(t) = f_{1,\text{rec}} + \mu_{\text{try}} f_{1,\text{rec}}(t - \Delta t_{\text{try}}) = F_{\text{Obs}}(t) \quad (\text{Mathematical degeneracy!!})$$

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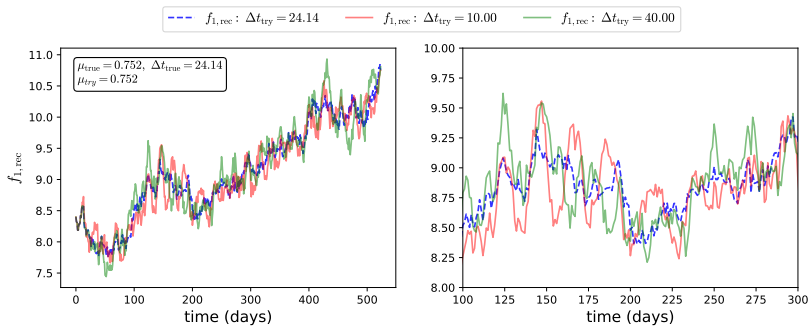
BUT!!



- More fluctuation in $f_{1,\text{rec}}$ for wrong Δt .**

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BUT!!



- More fluctuation in $f_{1,\text{rec}}$ for wrong Δt .**

- Measure fluctuation: $\epsilon(\Delta t_{\text{try}}) = \sum_i^{N_D} [f_{1,\text{rec}}(t_i) - f_{1,\text{rec}}(t_{i+1})]^2$

Quantifying fluctuation

- Fix μ_{try} to any arbitrary value.

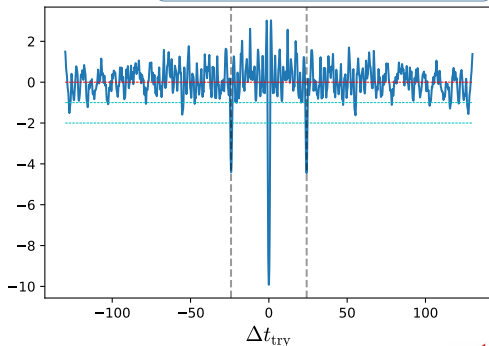
$$f_{1,\text{rec}}(t|\Delta t_{\text{try}}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\mu_{\text{try}})^n F(t - n \cdot \Delta t_{\text{try}}) \Rightarrow$$

$$\epsilon(\Delta t_{\text{try}}) = \sum_i^{N_D} [f_{1,\text{rec}}(t_i) - f_{1,\text{rec}}(t_{i+1})]^2$$

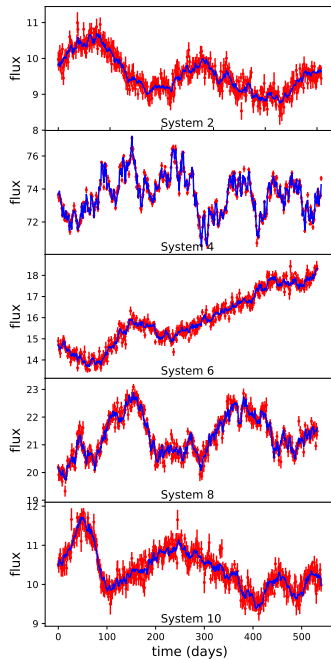
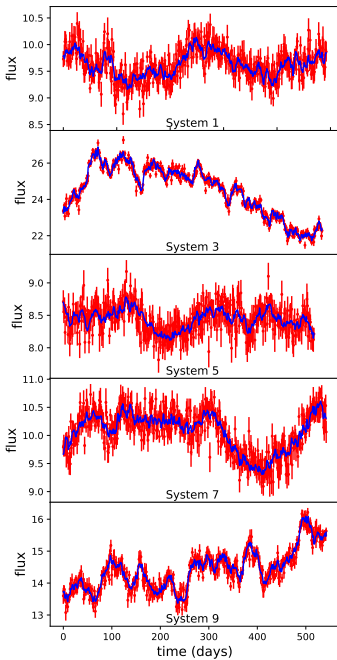
- Symmetric around $\Delta t_{\text{try}} = 0$.
- Global minima at $\Delta t_{\text{try}} = 0$: unlensed solution.
- At $\Delta t_{\text{try}} = \pm \Delta t_{\text{true}}$: **two prominent secondary minima**.
Lensed systems can be identified ↗
- Valid for different μ_{try} 's.
- Mathematical proof under progress in a separate work.

SB, Sohn, Shafieloo, Liao and Treu (2022), in preparation

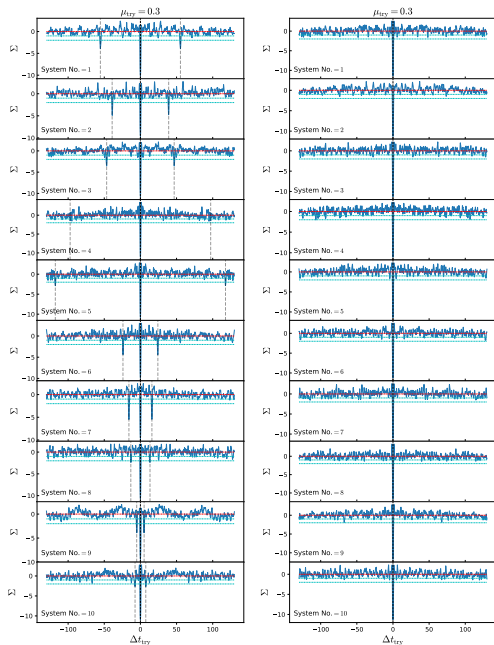
Normalise: $\Sigma(\Delta t_{\text{try}}) = \frac{\epsilon(\Delta t_{\text{try}}) - \langle \epsilon(\Delta t_{\text{try}}) \rangle}{\sigma_{\epsilon}}$



Validation set (10 lensed + 10 unlensed systems)



Validation set: 10 lensed + 10 unlensed systems (marginal noise)

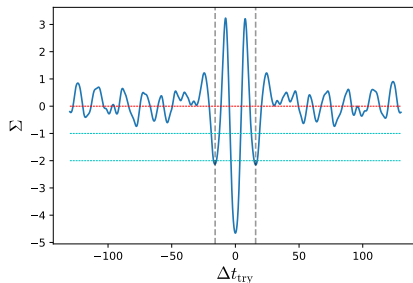
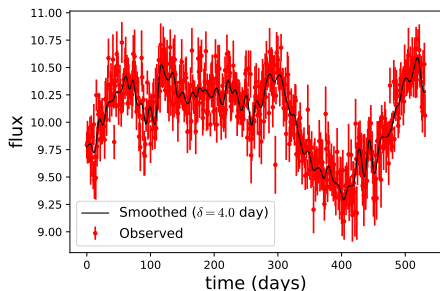


- Validation set (10 lensed + 10 unlensed systems):

System No.	True time delay Δt_{true} in days	Estimated time delay Δt_{est} in days
1	55.37	55.4 ± 0.1
2	39.1	39.0 ± 0.1
3	46.7	46.7 ± 0.1
4	97.19	--
5	117.7	117.7 ± 0.1
6	24.14	24.1 ± 0.1
7	15.9	15.9 ± 0.1
8	13.27	13.2 ± 0.1
9	5.13	5.0 ± 0.1
10	7.42	7.5 ± 0.1

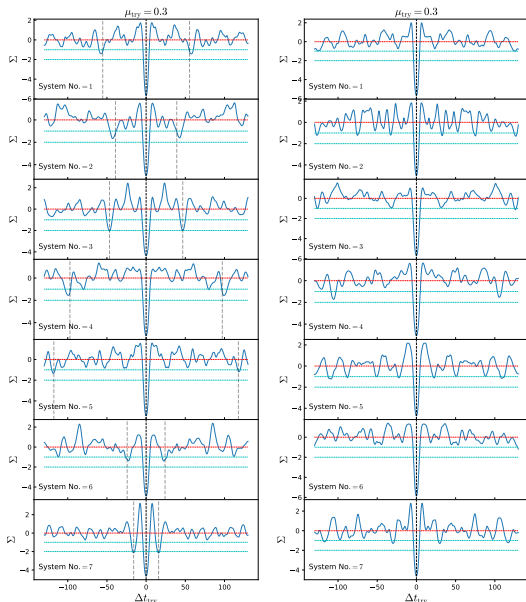
- 9 out of 10 lensed systems and all 10 unlensed systems are identified correctly with accurate time delay measurement.
- Blind set (20 systems):** we could recover all 10 lensed and 10 unlensed systems blindly.
- Validation + blind set: **precision** = 100%,
recall = $19/20 = 95\%$, **accuracy** = $39/40 = 97.5\%$.

- Iterative smoothing [Shafieloo et al 2006, 2007]



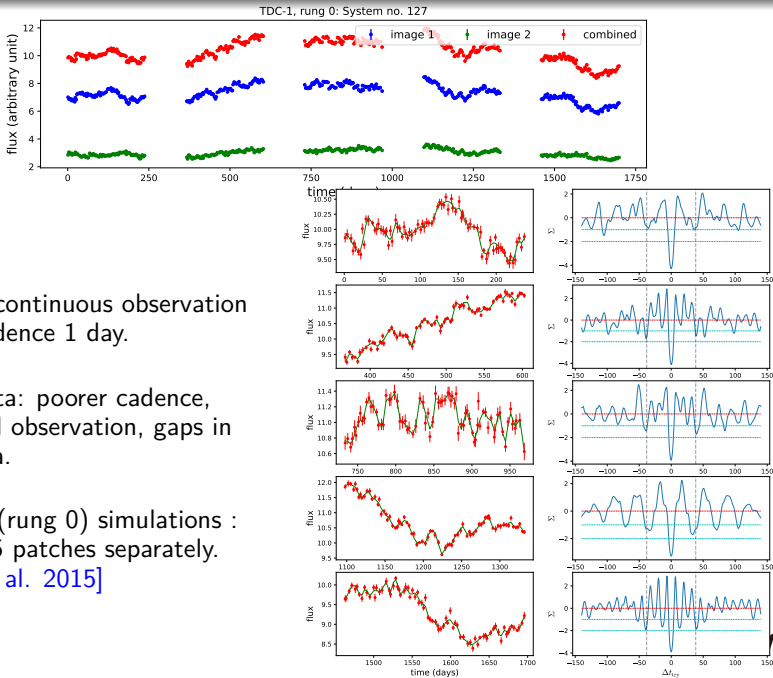
- Use multiple smoothing scale; $\delta = 3.0, 4.0, 5.0$ day.
- Combine $\epsilon(\Delta t_{\text{try}})$ curves \implies get final $\Sigma(\Delta t_{\text{try}})$

- Validation set

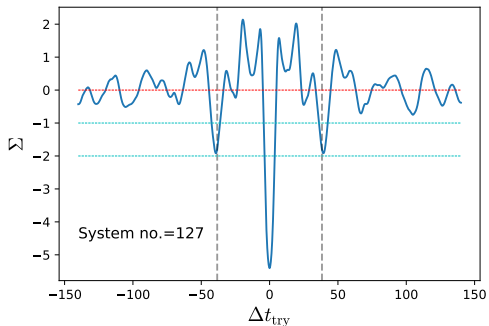


- Known set:
7 out of 10 lensed detected.
- Blind set:
5 out of 10 lensed detected.
- Combining known and blind set:
12 out of 20 lensed identified,
one probable false positive case.
- Precision = 92.3%.**
Recall = 60%.
- Time delays are accurately recovered (most within 3%).

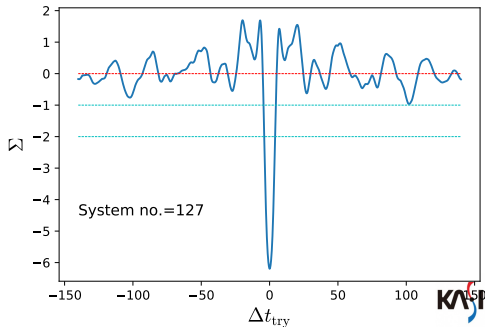
Realistic simulation: Time Delay Challenge 1 (TDC 1), rung 0



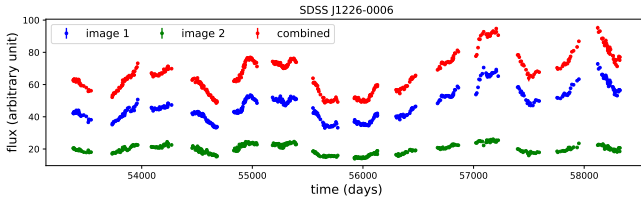
- Using the joint light curve
- Our estimation: $\Delta t_{\text{est}} = 39.35$ day
- Truth: $\Delta t_{\text{est}} = 38.33$ day .



- Using the light curve of the brightest image only
- No spurious lensing found.



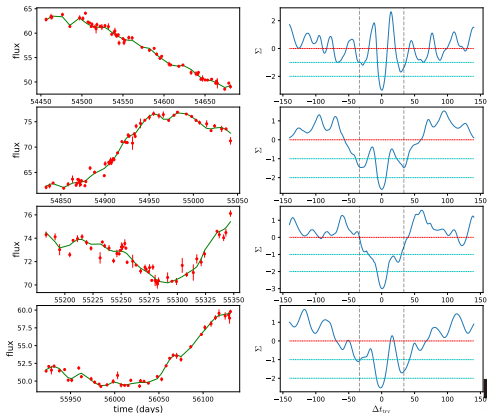
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TDC1 (rung 0): observed in ~ 400 epochs over a period of 5 years		
27	-40.79	43.15
105	23.73	23.80
125	32.47	30.85
127	38.33	39.35
131	-45.03	45.55
204	29.1	28.75
TDC1 (rung 1): observed in ~ 400 epochs over a period of 10 years		
5	32.47	33.00
102	-13.04	13.50
202	50.81	49.35
208	39.93	39.80
246	31.38	32.25
254	-44.97	44.10
358	47.26	46.10



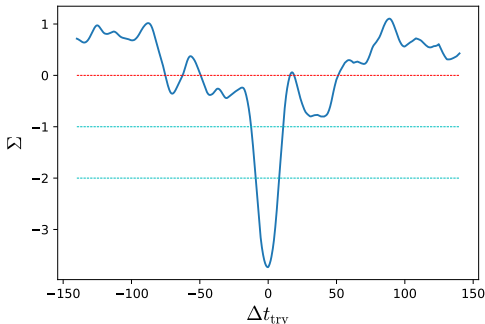
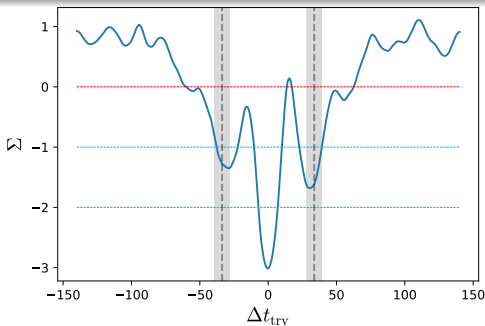
- Observed by Euler telescope over 14 years.

[Millon et al. 2020]

- Use only 4 'good' patches separately.



- Using the joint light curve
- Our estimation: $\Delta t_{\text{est}} = 29.6$ day
- COSMOGRAIL:
 $\Delta t_{\text{est}} = 33.7 \pm 2.7$ day using the resolved image light curves
- Error estimation in progress.
- Using the light curve of the brightest image only
- No spurious lensing found.

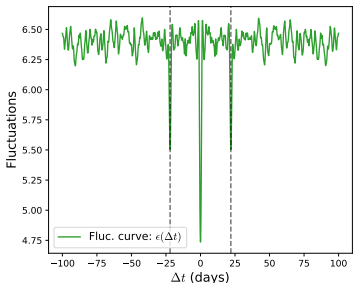


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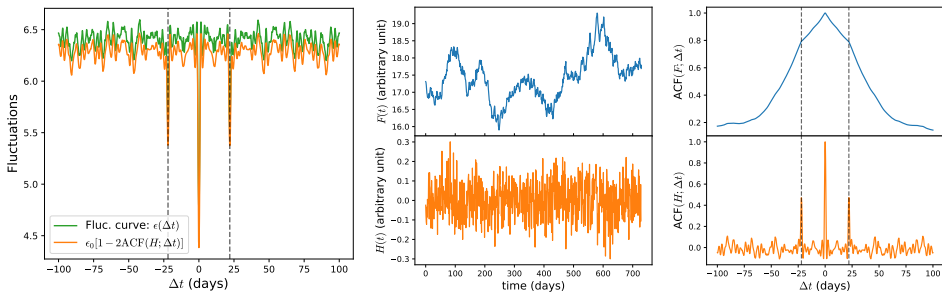


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- $\epsilon(\Delta t_{\text{try}})$ is dominated by ACF of derivative of the joint light curve.
- For red power spectrum: $\text{ACF}(H; \Delta t_{\text{try}})$ is more reliable than $\text{ACF}(F; \Delta t_{\text{try}})$.
- Fluctuation curve performs better than $\text{ACF}(F; \Delta t_{\text{try}})$ for noisy data.

SB, Sohn, Shafieloo, Liao and Treu 2022, in preparation.

- Main challenge: the intrinsic time variability of QSO flux is unknown.
- We show that it is possible.
Without any assumption about intrinsic QSO light curve or additional information.
- Tested on simulated data; Time Delay Challenge 1 (LSST-like).
- Works well on existing data quality (e.g. SDSS J1226-0006).
- Can detect quad systems.
- Can be used on the light curve data from ZTF, will become more important in the era of LSST.

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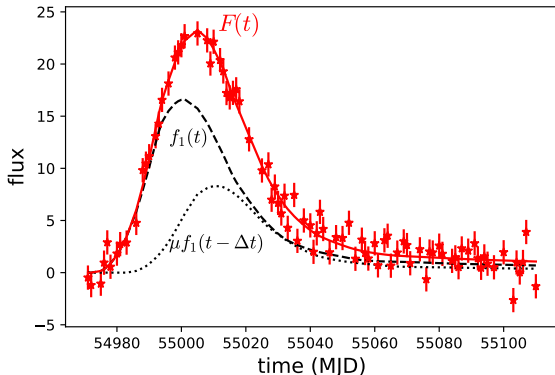
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Thank You!!!

3 Appendix: Unresolved SNe

4 Appendix: Unresolved QSO



- Joint Light curve of a strong lensed SN in a filter:

$$F(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_I} a_i \mathcal{F}(t - t_i)$$

- For simplicity we consider only two images

$$F(t) = f_1(t) + \mu f_1(t - \Delta t),$$

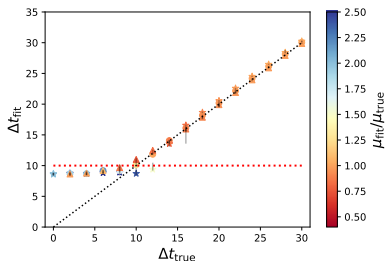
$$f_1(t) \equiv a_1 \mathcal{F}(t - t_1)$$

(Observed lightcurve of the 1st image)

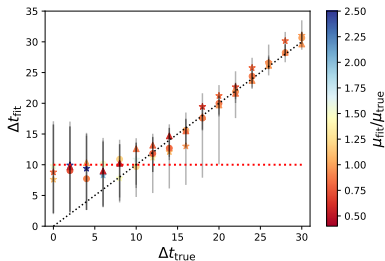
$$\mu = a_2/a_1, \quad \Delta t = t_2 - t_1$$

magnification and time delay
relative to the 1st image

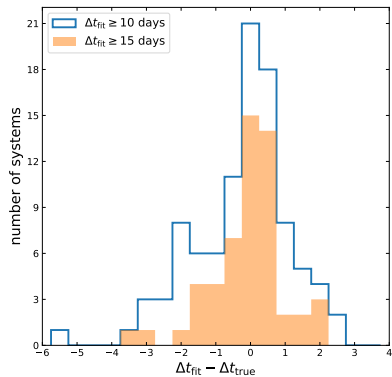
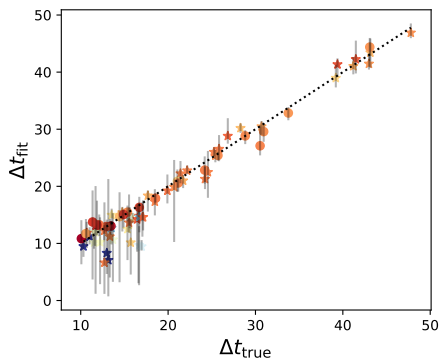
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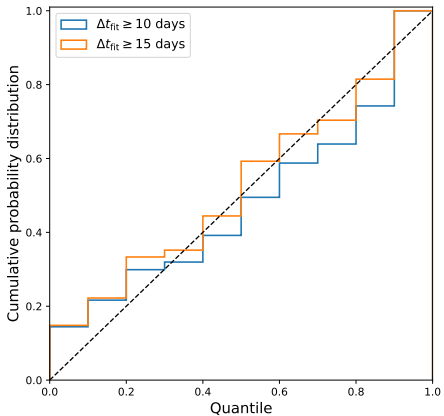


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- For $\Delta t_{\text{true}} \geq 10$ days: $\Delta t_{\text{fit}} \approx \Delta t_{\text{true}}$ **Good match!!!**
- For $\Delta t_{\text{true}} < 10$ days: $\Delta t_{\text{fit}} \lesssim 10$ days. **Not confident!!!**

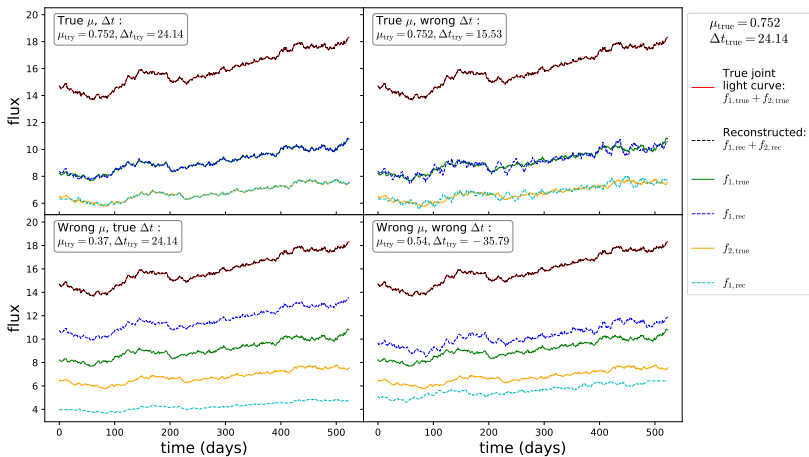




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Image reconstruction: High quality data (marginal noise)

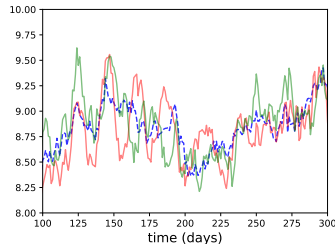
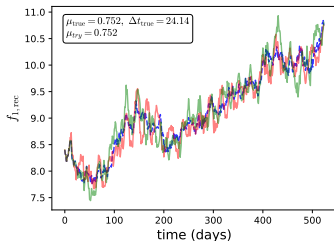


- Any choice of $\{\mu_{\text{try}}, \Delta t_{\text{try}}\}$ is allowed \implies exact reconstruction of the joint light curve.
- Mathematical degeneracy; see also [\[Geiger & Schneider 1996\]](#).

- One can reconstruct the images ($f_1(t)$) for any choice of $(\mu, \Delta t)$, **BUT**.

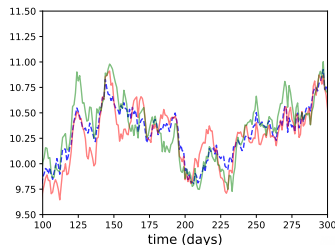
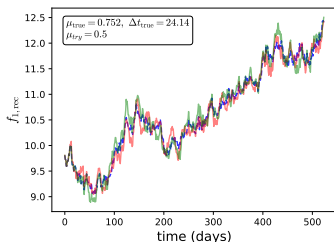
-- $f_{1,rec} : \Delta t_{try} = 24.14$
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- $\mu_{try} = \mu_{true}$



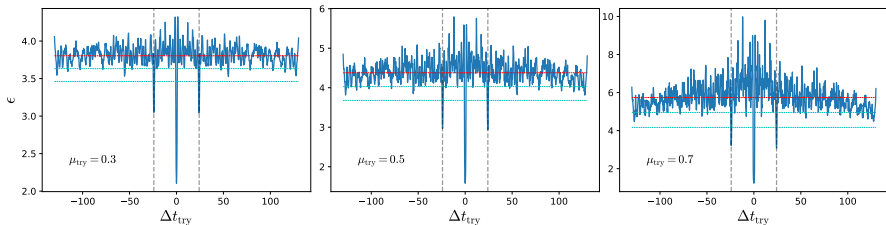
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- $\mu_{try} \neq \mu_{true}$



- More fluctuation in $f_{1,rec}$ for wrong Δt .

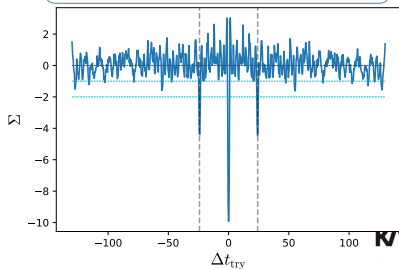
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- Symmetric around $\Delta t_{\text{try}} = 0$.
- Global minima at $\Delta t_{\text{try}} = 0$: unlensed solution.
- At $\Delta t_{\text{try}} = \pm \Delta t_{\text{true}}$: **two prominent secondary minima.**
Lensed systems can be identified.
- Roughly valid for different μ_{try} 's.
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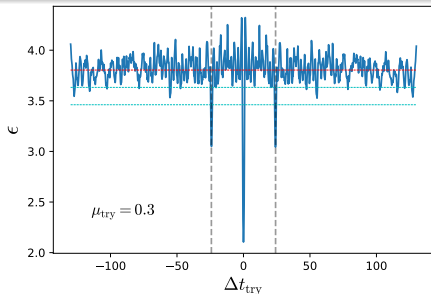
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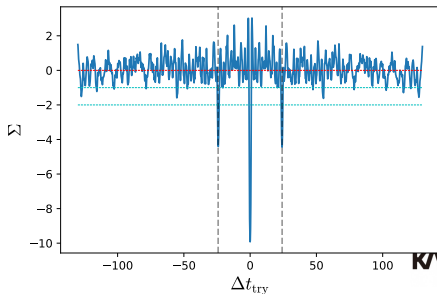
Quantifying fluctuation

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3	46.7	46.70 ± 2.33
7	15.9	16.05 ± 0.80
1 (*)	55.37	57.35 ± 2.87
2 (*)	39.1	42.80 ± 2.14
5 (*)	117.7	118.45 ± 5.92
6 (*)	24.14	22.60 ± 1.13
4 (**)	97.19	99.15 ± 4.96

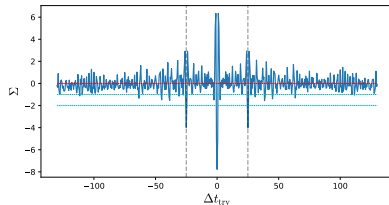
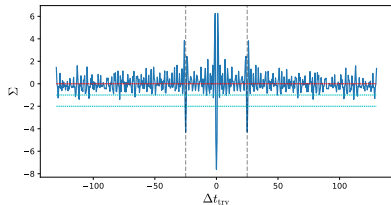
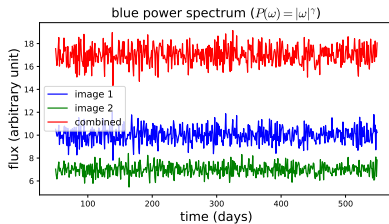
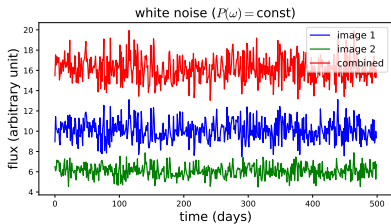
- Known set: 2 confirmed detection + 5 highly probable identification out of 10 lensed system.

System No.	Estimated time delay Δt_{est} in days	True time delay Δt_{true} in days
11	24.45 ± 1.22	24.14
7 (*)	96.55 ± 4.83	97.19
9 (*)	122.10 ± 6.11	117.7
3 (**)	40.10 ± 2.01	39.1
13 (**)	15.80 ± 0.79	15.9

- Blind set: 1 confirmed detection + 4 highly probable identification out of 10 lensed system.
- Combining known and blind set: 12 lensed system identified out of 20, one probable false positive case.
- **Precision** = 92.3%. **Recall** = 60%.

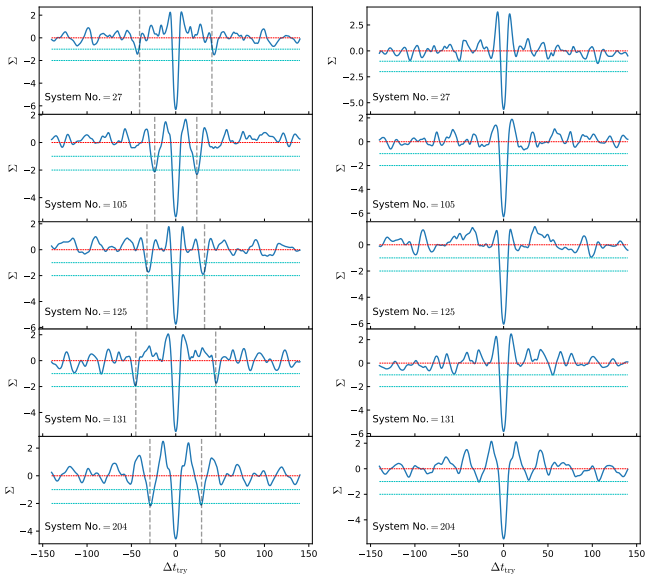
- **Power spectrum** : $P(\omega) = \langle \hat{f}(\omega)\hat{f}(\omega)^* \rangle$

- All the above examples \implies red power spectrum type ($P(\omega) = |\omega|^{-\gamma}$, $\gamma > 0$)



- **Method works independent of power spectrum.**

More examples from TDC 1 : rung 0



- $$F_n(t) = F_{n-1}(t) + \frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_i^{N_D} \frac{(F_{\text{obs}}(t_i) - F_{n-1}(t_i))}{\sigma_{\text{obs}}^2(t_i)} \times \exp\left\{\left[-\frac{(t - t_i)^2}{2\delta^2}\right]\right\}$$

- $$N(t) = \sum_i^{N_D} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{obs}}^2(t_i)}\right) \times \exp\left\{\left[-\frac{(t - t_i)^2}{2\delta^2}\right]\right\}$$

- Two parameters: smoothing scale (δ) and number of iteration.