Joint Models

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1 Joint Modelling

In this tutorial you will learn how to set up a joint modelling fit which encoporates the data from multiple images. These use <code>Group_Model</code> objects just like in the <code>GroupModels.ipynb</code> tutorial, the main difference being how the <code>Target_Image</code> object is constructed and that more care must be taken when assigning targets to models.

It is, of course, more work to set up a fit across multiple target images. However, the tradeoff can be well worth it. Perhaps there is space-based data with high resolution, but groundbased data has better S/N. Or perhaps each band individually does not have enough signal for a confident fit, but all three together just might. Perhaps colour information is of paramount importance for a science goal, one would hope that both bands could be treated on equal footing but in a consistent way when extracting profile information. There are a number of reasons why one might wish to try and fit a multi image picture of a galaxy simultaneously.

When fitting multiple bands one often resorts to forced photometry, somtimes also blurring each image to the same approximate PSF. With AutoPhot this is entirely unecessary as one can fit each image in its native PSF simultaneously. The final fits are more meaningful and can encorporate all of the available structure information.

```
[1]: import autophot as ap
  import numpy as np
  import torch
  from astropy.io import fits
  from astropy.wcs import WCS
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  from scipy.stats import iqr
```

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[2]: # First we need some data to work with, let's use LEDA 41136 as our example_□

→ galaxy

# The images must be aligned to a common coordinate system. From the DESI_□

→ Legacy survey we are extracting

# each image from a common center coordinate, so we set the center as (0,0) for_□

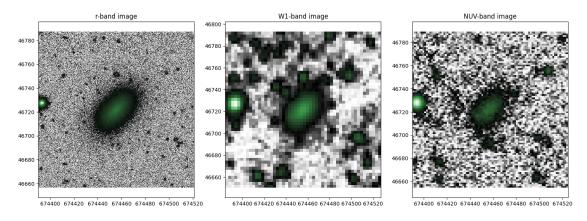
→ all the images and they

# should be aligned.

# It is also important to have a good estimate of the variance and the PSF for_□

→ each image since these
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# affect the relative weight of each image. For the tutorial we use simple_
 →approximations, but in
# science level analysis one should endeavor to get the best measure available_
⇔for these.
# Our first image is from the DESI Legacy-Survey r-band. This image has a_{\sqcup}
 ⇔pixelscale of 0.262 arcsec/pixel and is 500 pixels across
lrimg = fits.open("https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?ra=187.
 43119\&dec=12.9783\&size=500\&layer=ls-dr9\&pixscale=0.262\&bands=r")
target_r = ap.image.Target_Image(
    data = np.array(lrimg[0].data, dtype = np.float64),
    pixelscale = 0.262,
    zeropoint = 22.5,
    variance = np.ones((500,500))*0.008**2, # Here we just use the IQR ~2 of the
 →pixel values as the variance, for science data one would use a more accurate⊔
 →variance value
    psf = ap.utils.initialize.gaussian_psf(1.12/2.355, 51, 0.262), # we_
 →construct a basic gaussian psf for each image by giving the simga (arcsec), __
 → image width (pixels), and pixelscale (arcsec/pixel)
    wcs = WCS(lrimg[0].header),
# The second image is a unWISE W1 band image. This image has a pixelscale of 2.
 →75 arcsec/pixel and is 52 pixels across
lw1img = fits.open("https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?ra=187.
 →3119&dec=12.9783&size=52&layer=unwise-neo7&pixscale=2.75&bands=1")
target_W1 = ap.image.Target_Image(
    data = np.array(lw1img[0].data, dtype = np.float64),
    pixelscale = 2.75,
    zeropoint = 25.199,
    variance = np.ones((52,52))*4.9**2,
    psf = ap.utils.initialize.gaussian_psf(6.1/2.355, 21, 2.75),
    wcs = WCS(lw1img[0].header),
target_W1.header.shift_origin(torch.tensor((-2.75*4.35,-2.75*0.1), dtype=ap.
 →AP_config.ap_dtype)) # the WCS isn't very good here, so we make a slight ∪
 ⇔shift to align everything
# The third image is a GALEX NUV band image. This image has a pixelscale of 1.5_{\sqcup}
⇔arcsec/pixel and is 90 pixels across
lnuvimg = fits.open("https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?ra=187.
 →3119&dec=12.9783&size=90&layer=galex&pixscale=1.5&bands=n")
target NUV = ap.image.Target Image(
    data = np.array(lnuvimg[0].data, dtype = np.float64),
    pixelscale = 1.5,
    zeropoint = 20.08,
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[3]: # The joint model will need a target to try and fit, but now that we have will mages the "target" is

# a Target_Image_List object which points to all three.

target_full = ap.image.Target_Image_List((target_r, target_W1, target_NUV))

# It doesn't really need any other information since everything is already available in the individual targets
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psf_mode = "full",
model_W1 = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
    name = "W1band model",
    model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
    target = target_W1,
    psf_mode = "full",
model NUV = ap.models.AutoPhot Model(
    name = "NUVband model",
    model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
    target = target_NUV,
    psf_mode = "full",
)
# At this point we would just be fitting three separate models at the same,
⇔time, not very interesting. Next
# we add constraints so that some parameters are shared between all the models.
→ It makes sense to fix
\# structure parameters while letting brightness parameters vary between bands \sqcup
⇔so that's what we do here.
model_W1.add_equality_constraint(model_r, ["center", "q", "PA", "n", "Re"])
model_NUV.add_equality_constraint(model_r, ["center", "q", "PA", "n", "Re"])
# Now every model will have a unique Ie, but every other parameter is shared
 ⇔for all three
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[5]: # We can now make the joint model object

model_full = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
    name = "LEDA 41136",
    model_type = "group model",
    models = [model_r, model_W1, model_NUV],
    target = target_full,
)

model_full.initialize()
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[6]: result = ap.fit.LM(model_full, verbose = 1).fit() print(result.message)
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L: 1.0
-----init-----

LM loss: 93.2654833096273

L: 1.0
-----iter----

LM loss: 93.25690141511966
accept
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LM loss: 93.2501843223976

accept

L: 0.012345679012345678
----iter---LM loss: 93.24371409235552

accept

L: 0.0013717421124828531

LM loss: 93.24344633505851

accept success

[7]: # here we plot the results of the fitting, notice that each band has an adifferent PSF and pixelscale. Also, notice

that the colour bars represent significantly different ranges since each amodel was allowed to fit its own Ie.

meanwhile the center, PA, q, and Re is the same for every model.

fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = (18,6))

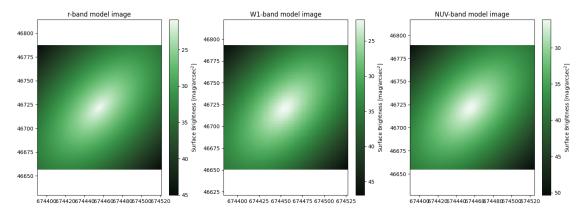
ap.plots.model_image(fig1, ax1, model_full)

ax1[0].set_title("r-band model image")

ax1[1].set_title("W1-band model image")

ax1[2].set_title("NUV-band model image")

plt.show()



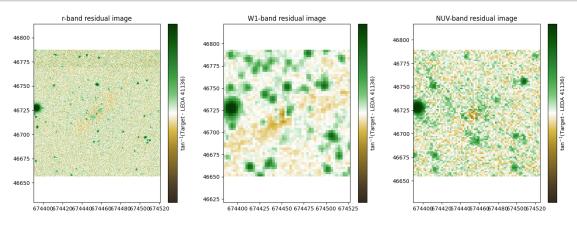
[8]: # We can also plot the residual images. As can be seen, the galaxy is fit in all three bands simultaneously

with the majority of the light removed in all bands. A residual can be seen in the r band. This is likely

due to there being more structure in the r-band than just a sersic. The W1 and NUV bands look excellent though

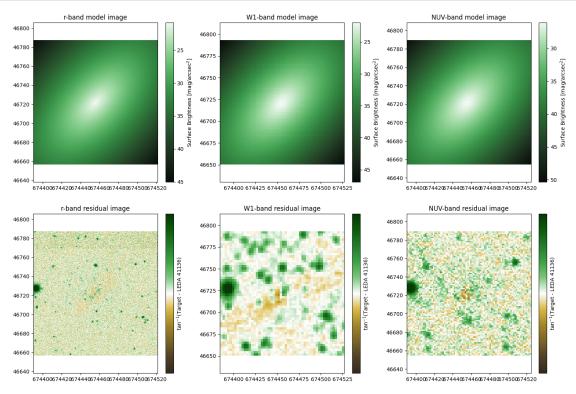
fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = (18,6))

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ap.plots.residual_image(fig1, ax1, model_full)
ax1[0].set_title("r-band residual image")
ax1[1].set_title("W1-band residual image")
ax1[2].set_title("NUV-band residual image")
plt.show()
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[9]: # Save a joint model just like any other model
     model_full.save("jointsave.yaml")
     # Load the joint model just like any other
     model_reload = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
         name = "reload LEDA 41136",
         filename = "jointsave.yaml",
     )
     # However, targets are not saved when saving a model, so those must be
     ⇔re-assigned manually
     # Assign the group target
     model_reload.target = target_full
     # Assign the sub-model targets
     model_reload.models["rband model"].target = target_r
     model_reload.models["W1band model"].target = target_W1
     model_reload.models["NUVband model"].target = target_NUV
     # You must also update the full model window before proceeding
     model_reload.update_window()
     # Plot everything again to check its working
     fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots(2, 3, figsize = (18,12))
     ap.plots.model_image(fig1, ax1[0], model_reload)
     ax1[0][0].set title("r-band model image")
     ax1[0][1].set_title("W1-band model image")
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ax1[0][2].set_title("NUV-band model image")
ap.plots.residual_image(fig1, ax1[1], model_reload)
ax1[1][0].set_title("r-band residual image")
ax1[1][1].set_title("W1-band residual image")
ax1[1][2].set_title("NUV-band residual image")
plt.show()
```



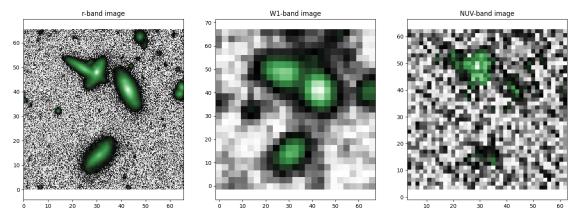
1.1 Joint models with multiple models

If you want to analyze more than a single astronomical object, you will need to combine many models for each image in a reasonable structure. There are a number of ways to do this that will work, though may not be as scalable. For small images, just about any arrangement is fine when using the LM optimizer. But as images and number of models scales very large, it may be neccessary to sub divide the problem to save memory. To do this you should arrange your models in a hierarchy so that AutoPhot has some information about the structure of your problem. There are two ways to do this. First, you can create a group of models where each sub-model is a group which holds all the objects for one image. Second, you can create a group of models where each sub-model is a group which holds all the representations of a single astronomical object across each image. The second method is preferred. See the diagram below to help clarify what this means.

Joint Group Models

Here we will see an example of a multiband fit of an image which has multiple astronomical objects.

```
[10]: # First we need some data to work with, let's use another LEDA object, this
       →time a group of galaxies: LEDA 389779, 389797, 389681
      RA = 320.5003
      DEC = -57.4585
      # Our first image is from the DESI Legacy-Survey r-band. This image has au
       ⇒pixelscale of 0.262 arcsec/pixel
      rsize = 250
      rimg = fits.open(f"https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?
       ~ra={RA}&dec={DEC}&size={rsize}&layer=ls-dr9&pixscale=0.262&bands=r")
      target_r = ap.image.Target_Image(
          data = np.array(rimg[0].data, dtype = np.float64),
          pixelscale = 0.262,
          zeropoint = 22.5,
          variance = np.ones((rsize,rsize))*0.008**2, # note that the variance is_
       →important to ensure all images are compared with proper statistical weight. □
       Here we just use the IQR 2 of the pixel values as the variance, for science
       →data one would use a more accurate variance value
          psf = ap.utils.initialize.gaussian_psf(1.12/2.355, 51, 0.262), # we_
       Sometruct a basic gaussian psf for each image by giving the simga (arcsec),
       →image width (pixels), and pixelscale (arcsec/pixel)
          #wcs = WCS(rimg[0].header),
      )
      # The second image is a unWISE W1 band image. This image has a pixelscale of 2.
       →75 arcsec/pixel
      wsize = 25
      w1img = fits.open(f"https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?
       ¬ra={RA}&dec={DEC}&size={wsize}&layer=unwise-neo7&pixscale=2.75&bands=1")
      target_W1 = ap.image.Target_Image(
          data = np.array(w1img[0].data, dtype = np.float64),
          pixelscale = 2.75,
          zeropoint = 25.199,
          variance = np.ones((wsize, wsize))*4.9**2,
          psf = ap.utils.initialize.gaussian_psf(6.1/2.355, 21, 2.75),
          origin = (np.array([rsize,rsize]))*0.262/2 - (np.array([wsize,wsize]))*2.75/
       ⇒2,
          #wcs = WCS(w1imq[0].header),
      # The third image is a GALEX NUV band image. This image has a pixelscale of 1.5_{\sqcup}
       →arcsec/pixel
      gsize = 40
      nuvimg = fits.open(f"https://www.legacysurvey.org/viewer/fits-cutout?
       ¬ra={RA}&dec={DEC}&size={gsize}&layer=galex&pixscale=1.5&bands=n")
      target_NUV = ap.image.Target_Image(
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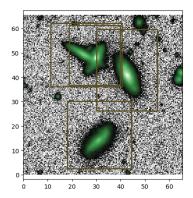


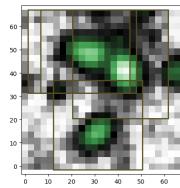
There is barely any signal in the GALEX data and it would be entirely impossible to analyze on its own. With simultaneous multiband fitting it is a breeze to get relatively robust results!

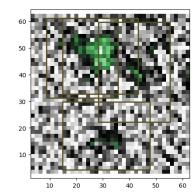
Next we need to construct models for each galaxy. This is understandably more complex than in the single band case, since now we have three times the amout of data to keep track of. Recall that we will create a number of joint models to represent each astronomical object, then put them all together in a larger group model.

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{"r":[[115,210],[100,228]], "W1": [[8,23],[8,25]], "NUV": [
 \hookrightarrow [[17,35],[13,38]]},
    {"r":[[69,170],[10,115]], "W1": [[5,19],[0,14]], "NUV": [[8,30],[1,18]]},
]
model list = []
for i, window in enumerate(windows):
    # create the submodels for this object
    sub_list = []
    sub_list.append(
        ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
            name = f"rband model {i}",
            model_type = "spline galaxy model", # we use spline models for the_
 \hookrightarrow r-band since it is well resolved
            target = target_r,
            window = window["r"],
            psf_mode = "full",
            parameters = \{"q": 0.3\},
        )
    sub_list.append(
        ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
            name = f"W1band model {i}",
            model_type = "sersic galaxy model", # we use sersic models for W1_
 and NUV since there isn't much visible detail, a simple model is sufficient
            target = target_W1,
            window = window["W1"],
            psf_mode = "full",
            parameters = \{"q": 0.3\},
        )
    )
    sub_list.append(
        ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
            name = f"NUVband model {i}",
            model_type = "sersic galaxy model",
            target = target_NUV,
            window = window["NUV"],
            psf_mode = "full",
            parameters = \{"q": 0.3\},
        )
    # ensure equality constraints
    # across all bands, same center, q, PA
    sub_list[1].add_equality_constraint(sub_list[0], ["center", "q", "PA"])
    sub_list[2].add_equality_constraint(sub_list[0], ["center", "q", "PA"])
```

```
# Make the multiband model for this object
    model_list.append(
        ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
            name = f"model {i}",
            model_type = "group model",
            target = target_full,
            models = sub_list,
        )
    )
# Make the full model for this system of objects
MODEL = ap.models.AutoPhot_Model(
    name = f"full model",
    model_type = "group model",
    target = target_full,
    models = model_list,
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1,3, figsize = (16,5))
ap.plots.target_image(fig, ax, MODEL.target)
ap.plots.model_window(fig, ax, MODEL)
ax1[0].set_title("r-band image")
ax1[1].set_title("W1-band image")
ax1[2].set_title("NUV-band image")
plt.show()
```







```
[13]: MODEL.initialize()

result = ap.fit.LM(MODEL, verbose = 1).fit()
print(result.hess)
print(result.message)
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L: 1.0 -----init------LM loss: 4.571638246307923 L: 1.0 -----iter----

LM loss: 5878712362.565667

reject L: 11.0

-----iter-----

LM loss: 4.457103623868681

accept

L: 1.22222222222223

LM loss: 82872.05213292586

reject

L: 13.4444444444446
----iter----

LM loss: 4.385780214866269

accept

L: 1.4938271604938274

LM loss: 725.0784942624836

reject

L: 16.4320987654321

LM loss: 4.340797828065266

accept

L: 1.825788751714678

LM loss: 16.62129546807487

reject

L: 20.08367626886146

LM loss: 4.311649806341142

accept

L: 2.231519585429051

LM loss: 5.836825272682335

reject

L: 24.546715439719563

LM loss: 4.292788274295946

accept

L: 2.727412826635507

LM loss: 4.5184269557300425

reject

L: 30.001541092990575

LM loss: 4.280485138047938

accept

L: 3.3335045658878415

-----iter-----

LM loss: 3.319330073274759

accept

L: 0.3703893962097602

LM loss: nan nan loss

L: 4.074283358307362

LM loss: 4.216185989304125

reject

L: 44.81711694138098

LM loss: 3.317261761142887

accept

L: 4.979679660153442

LM loss: 4.294811629555407

reject

L: 54.77647626168786

LM loss: 3.3158827342420683

accept

L: 6.08627514018754

LM loss: 4.349074257355869

reject

L: 66.94902654206294

LM loss: 3.3149648009475667

accept

L: 7.438780726895882

LM loss: 3.4138853136350304

reject

L: 81.8265879958547

LM loss: 3.314351582485937

accept

L: 9.091843110650522

LM loss: 3.2650527453226896

accept

L: 1.0102047900722804

LM loss: 4.137082942319067e+140

reject

L: 11.112252690795085

-----iter-----

LM loss: 3.4054487088915133

reject

L: 122.23477959874593

LM loss: 3.264795446676494

accept

L: 13.581642177638436

LM loss: 3.2437492276473594

accept

L: 1.5090713530709374 ----iter-----LM loss: 4.02733441781224

reject

L: 16.599784883780313

LM loss: 3.4016329607635405

reject

L: 182.59763372158343

LM loss: 3.2436380213832177

accept

L: 20.288625969064825

LM loss: 3.4061266693342693

reject

L: 223.17488565971308

LM loss: 3.243564013025933

accept

L: 24.797209517745898

LM loss: 3.4091434229064292

reject

L: 272.7693046952049

LM loss: 3.243514796911807

accept

L: 30.30770052168943

LM loss: 3.4111667586031795

reject

L: 333.3847057385837

LM loss: 3.2434820997265024

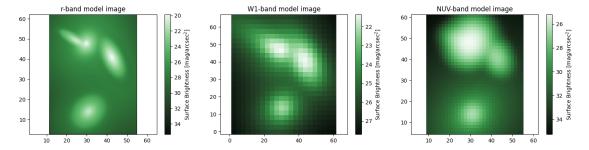
accept

L: 37.042745082064855

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-----iter----
LM loss: 3.412522508243782
reject
L: 407.4701959027134
----iter----
LM loss: 3.243460403977325
accept
L: 45.2744662114126
----iter----
LM loss: 3.4134309277004187
reject
L: 498.01912832553865
-----iter-----
LM loss: 3.243446030612212
accept
L: 55.33545870283763
-----iter-----
LM loss: 3.4140392860757047
reject
L: 608.6900457312139
----iter----
LM loss: 3.2434365272104357
accept
L: 67.63222730346821
-----iter----
LM loss: 3.4144465422704617
reject
L: 743.9545003381503
----iter----
LM loss: 3.243430259584061
accept
L: 82.66161114868336
----iter----
LM loss: 3.4147189490881824
reject
L: 909.277722635517
----iter----
LM loss: 3.2434261390992063
accept
tensor([[ 1.7372e+06, -1.5054e+05, -2.4348e+02, ..., 0.0000e+00,
         0.0000e+00, 0.0000e+00],
       [-1.5054e+05, 1.2878e+06, 8.3138e+02, ..., 0.0000e+00,
         0.0000e+00, 0.0000e+00],
       [-2.4348e+02, 8.3138e+02, 1.4417e+03, ..., 0.0000e+00,
         0.0000e+00, 0.0000e+00],
       [ 0.0000e+00, 0.0000e+00, 0.0000e+00, ..., 2.1813e-01,
```

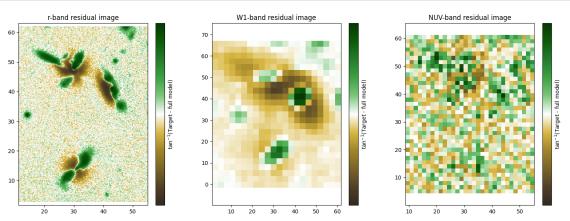
5.2446e+00, 3.2051e+01],

```
[14]: fig1, ax1 = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = (18,4))
    ap.plots.model_image(fig1, ax1, MODEL)
    ax1[0].set_title("r-band model image")
    ax1[1].set_title("W1-band model image")
    ax1[2].set_title("NUV-band model image")
    plt.show()
```



The models look excellent! The power of multiband fitting lets us know that we have extracted all the available information here, no forced photometry required!

```
fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize = (18,6))
ap.plots.residual_image(fig, ax, MODEL)
ax[0].set_title("r-band residual image")
ax[1].set_title("W1-band residual image")
ax[2].set_title("NUV-band residual image")
plt.show()
```



Unfortunately the residuals do not look very good, in this case it is because of poor alignment in the three images. Ensuring they are all on the same coordinate system is very important. We will update this section in the future with a better example that actually gets a good result. For now, this tutorial still shows how to set up a multi-band fit and serves as a warning to make sure you have good coordinates!

1.1.1 Dithered images

Note that it is not necessary to use images from different bands. Using dithered images one can effectively achieve higher resolution. It is possible to simultaneously fit dithered images with AutoPhot instead of postprocessing the two images together. This will of course be slower, but may be worthwhile for cases where extra care is needed.

1.1.2 Stacked images

Like dithered images, one may wish to combine the statistical power of multiple images but for some reason it is not clear how to add them (for example they are at different rotations). In this case one can simply have AutoPhot fit the images simultaneously. Again this is slower than if the image could be combined, but should extract all the statistical power from the data!

1.1.3 Time series

Some objects change over time. For example they may get brighter and dimmer, or may have a transient feature appear. However, the structure of an object may remain constant. An example of this is a supernova and its host galaxy. The host galaxy likely doesn't change across images, but the supernova does. It is possible to fit a time series dataset with a shared galaxy model across multiple images, and a shared position for the supernova, but a variable brightness for the supernova over each image.

It is possible to get quite creative with joint models as they allow one to fix selective features of a model over a wide range of data. If you have a situation which may benefit from joint modelling but are having a hard time determining how to format everything, please do contact us!

[]: