

PSNID

(overview & tutorial)

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“Preparing for SN science in the LSST era”

Photometric SN IDentification

- Initially developed as spectroscopic targeting algorithm
- Updated to analyze photometric SNIa samples

Important to remember this point!

NOT designed for optimal SN classification
across all subtypes

Photometric SN IDentification

Computes (over a grid of redshift, color, lc shape):

- Probability of each template fitting the data (reduced χ^2)
- Best-fit template for each subtype (Ia, Ibc, II)
- Bayesian probability of each subtype

MORE important points to remember

- A limited subset of CCSN templates are used *intentionally*
- Probabilities are normalized to 1 (sensitive to non-SN or other contamination)

Photometric SN Identification

Additional Features

- Can use DM15 model or SALT2 for (“no difference”)
- MCMC mode for estimating **SN_{Ia}** parameter uncertainty
- Absolute magnitude allowed to float (‘dmu’ parameter)

Potential Changes/Improvements

- Increased core-collapse sample
(more templates already in SNANA for simulations)
- Inclusion of other subtypes

Photometric SN IDentification

Nearest Neighbor Method (NN)

- PSNID parameters for each SN is compared to those PSNID params generated in a survey from which the SN originates
- Best-fit type is that with highest concentration of simulated SNe close to it in param space
- Distance in each dimension of param space weighted according to survey characteristics
(i.e., needs to be re-calibrated for each survey)

Part 2: Running PSNID

For examples, please refer to directory
PSNID_Tutorial_LSST2016

Running PSNID: SNANA

- PSNID currently exists **only** as part of SNANA
 - Plans underway to make a public, standalone, python version
- Only proper (limited) documentation is part of the SNANA manual
 - Description of algorithm in 2011 paper; 2014 for NN
- Download SNANA: <http://snana.uchicago.edu/>
 - Both SNANA and SNDATA_ROOT

Running PSNID: SNANA

Important scripts/utilities

- **\$SNANA_DIR/bin**
 - psnid.exe: Main PSNID module
 - snana.exe: Various uses, including photometry versioning
 - snlc_sim.exe: Create simulations; useful for NN mode
 - snlc_fit.exe: Fits a SNIa model to data;
e.g., for params of a spec-confirmed sample
 - kcor.exe: To create k-correction table for new set of filters
- **\$SNANA_DIR/util**
 - split_and_fit.pl: Run code (PSNID; snlc_fit) in batch mode
 - sim_SNgrid.pl: Create a new grid for PSNID templates
 - NEARNBR_pipeline.pl: Nearest-neighbor version of PSNID
- **Survey Specific Information**
 - \$SNDATA_ROOT/SURVEY.DEF
 - \$SNDATA_ROOT/filters
 - \$SNDATA_ROOT/kcor)

Running PSNID: Example 01

Running a test script

```
> psnid.exe FIRST_PSNID.nml
```

- Namelist files (.nml)
 - Contain all input information to SNANA scripts
 - Different namespaces within code:
 - &SNLCINP = selection of input data; format of outputs; SNANA data cut params
 - &PSNIDINP = parameters specific to PSNID
- Outputs (for 'version')
 - version.SNANA.text: CIDs after SNANA specific cuts w/ basic LC info
 - **version.FITRES.text: MAIN OUTPUT**; includes fit and bayesian probability, plus best-fit parameters
 - **version.LCPLOT.text**: observed + fit data for each best-fit template
 - version.LCLIST.text: List of CIDs in the above file

Running PSNID: Example 02

Turning light curves into SNANA readable format

> snana.exe SNANA_to_ASCII.nml

- Light curve requirements
 - Filters must be defined in \$SNDATA_ROOT/filters; kcor.exe run
 - FLUXCAL units ($f = 10^{(0.4(27.5 - \text{mag}))}$)
 - Input: .IGNORE, .README, .LIST files (plus text files for each SN)
 - Output: same as Input, plus ...
 - *_PHOT.FITS: (all the photometric information for all the CIDs)
 - *_HEAD.FITS: (all the header information for all the CIDs)
- Photometry versions locations
 - Default path is \$SNDATA_ROOT/lcmerge
(idea is that there are well-defined sets of photometry)
 - PRIVATE_DATA_PATH = 'My/Path'
for accessing data stored elsewhere

Running PSNID: Example 03

Understanding SNANA (&SNLCINP) inputs

> psnid.exe SNANA_PSNID.nml

- CIDs
 - cutwin_cid: window of CID range
 - SNCID_LIST: list of CIDs in NML file (must be used with cutwin_cid)
 - SNCID_LIST_FILE: list of CIDs in separate file (must be used with cutwin_cid)
- SNTABLE_LIST
 - various options for defining output format
- Other
 - OPT_MWEBV: extinction parameters
 - CUTWIN_NEPOCH: range of valid epochs necessary
 - also available: cuts on SNRMAX; epoch relative to peak

Running PSNID: Example 04

Understanding PSNID outputs

```
> psnid.exe FIRST_PSNID.nml
```

- FITRES

- ITYPE_BEST: Dependent on cuts placed in NML file on PBAYES and FITRES for each subtype
- TMAX, TOBSMIN, TOBSMAX: MJD of best-fit peak, plus observer-frame constrained phase range
- ePARAMs: uncertainties only defined for SNIa model in MCMC mode
- Optional outputs (e.g., peakmag_r)

- LCPLOT

- Gives LC for best-fit model for EACH subtype
- Chi-squared from best-fit model to data at each datapoint
- MJD and rest-frame phase for each observation

Running PSNID: Example 05

Changing PSNID Parameters

> psnid.exe PSNID_CUTS.nml

> psnid.exe PSNID_CUTS_MCMC.nml

- Main Options

- GRID models: *Templates_Ia* and *Templates_NonIa* keywords
- Color, DMU are interpolated over: specify number of grid points
- OPT_ZPRIOR: Flat (0); spectroscopic (1); or photo-z (2) redshift prior.
- MCMC_NSTEP: 0 —> grid only; >0 —> MCMC, which gives uncertainties
- Outlier rejection: Optional cuts to remove outliers from fit.
CHISQMIN_OUTLIER; NREJECT_OUTLIER

Running PSNID: Example 06

Changing PSNID Grid

```
> sim_SNgrid.pl sim_SDSS_SALT2.input
```

- la input file
 - Type la model (e.g., SALT2.GUY10)
 - Number of grid parameters in redshift, shape space (color & T as well)
 - Filters & kcorrection file specified
 - Parameter ranges
 - Input cosmology (for absolute magnitudes)
- Non-la input file
 - No parameter ranges; rather, input file of non-la models to use
 - Weights can be specified

Running PSNID: Example 07

Batch Mode

```
> split_and_fit.pl BATCH_PSNID.NML
```

- NML Parameters
 - JOBNAME_LCFIT: name of script to be run on each submitted job (i.e., psnid.exe)
 - PSNID_OUTPUT: Directory to store outputs for jobs, plus final merged FITRES
 - GZIP_FLAG: useful for reducing the size of the directory of individual jobs