

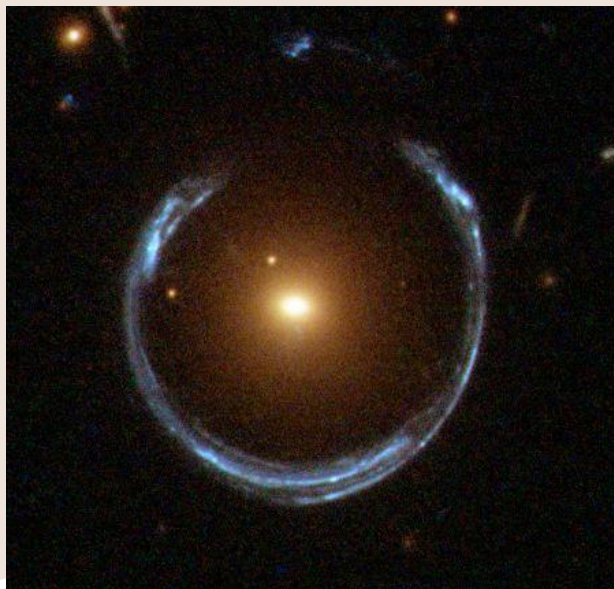
# Deep Learning Simulation-Based Inference for Strong Lensing Inverse Modeling in Wide-Field Surveys

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# Introduction: Strong Lensing



- General Relativity → deformation of spacetime
- Massive objects → Source image deflected
- Deflection carries information
  - Matter distribution
  - Measurements of  $H_0$
  - Gravitational telescopes

# Motivation

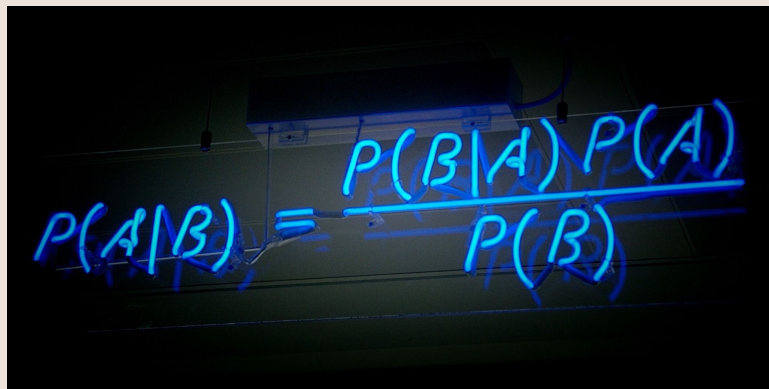
- Few currently known lenses
- Future surveys → More Lenses
- Fast and automated analysis → Neural Networks
- Uncertainty estimation → Simulation-Based Inference



Image: [Rubin Observatory Gallery](#)

# Simulation-Based Inference

- Bayes' Theorem
- Intractable Likelihood  $\rightarrow$  LFI
- Simulator replaces likelihood
- NN based Density Estimator
  - Normalizing Flows [1]
- Trained model  $\rightarrow$  Posterior reconstruction via frequentist approach


$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

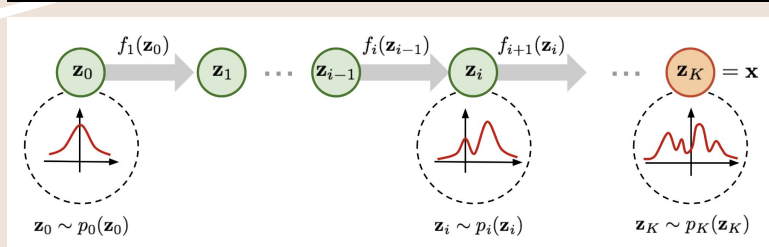
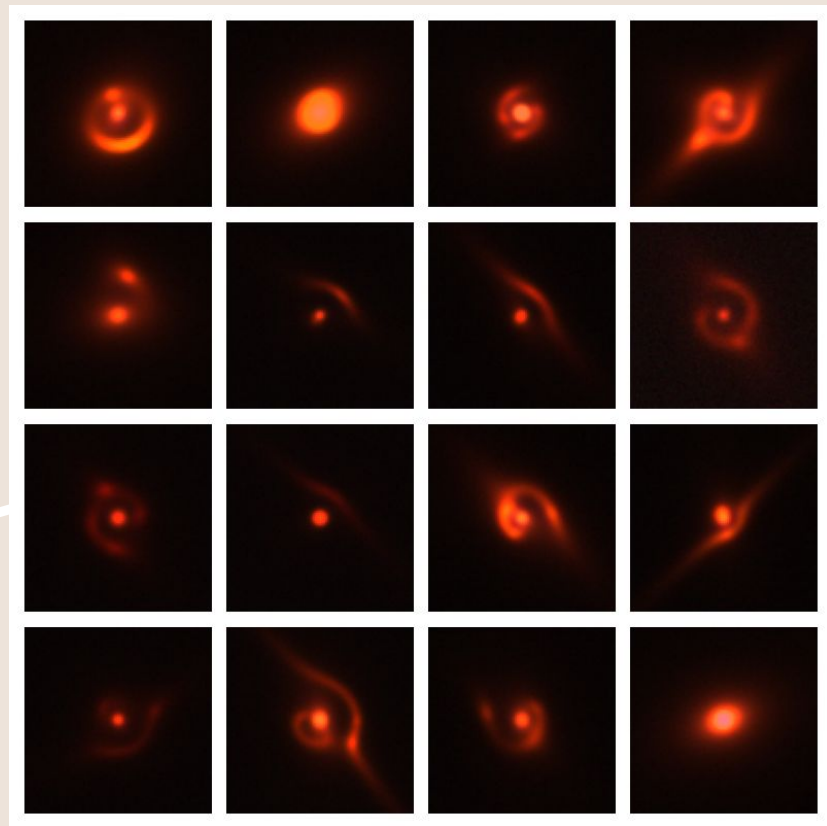


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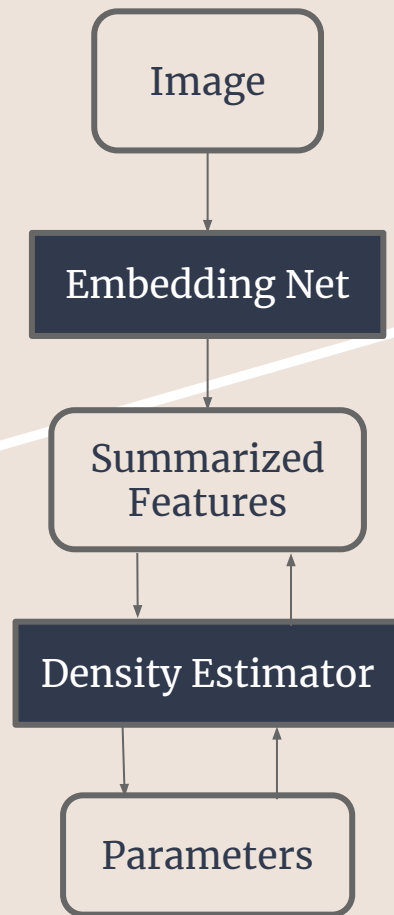
# Simulated Dataset

- DeepLenstronomy [2]
- DELVE preset PSF and Noise
- DECam-observable population  
generated by Lenspop [3]
- ~25000 GRIZ band images
- Galaxy-Galaxy

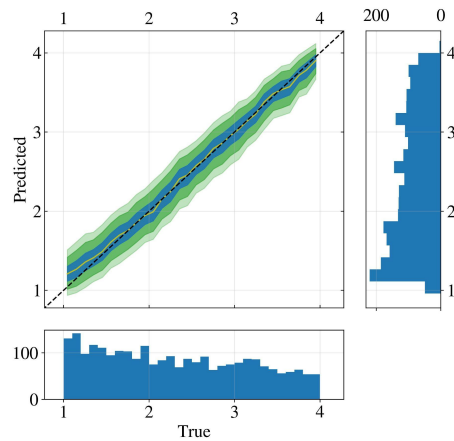


# Deep Learning Architecture

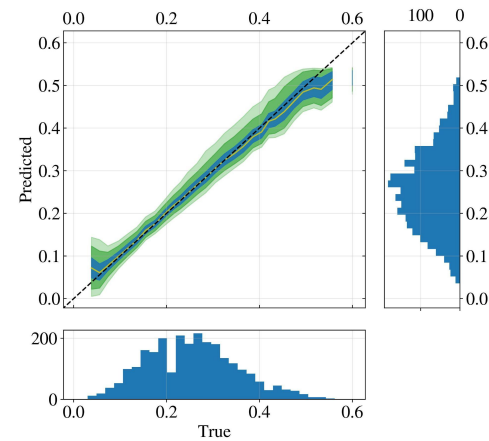
- Image Preparation
  - BG removal, normalization
- Embedding Net
- Inception
  - Inception
- Neural Spline Flow
- Four parameters
  - Separate network for each parameter



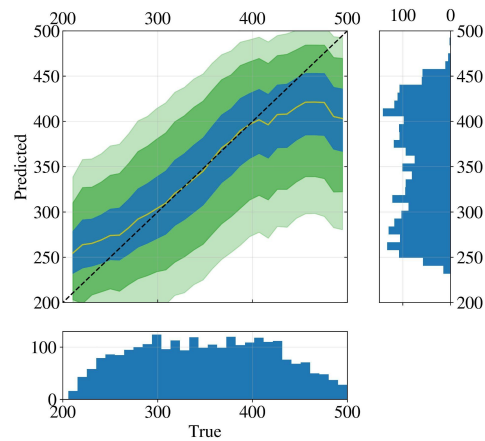
Einstein Radius (arcsec)



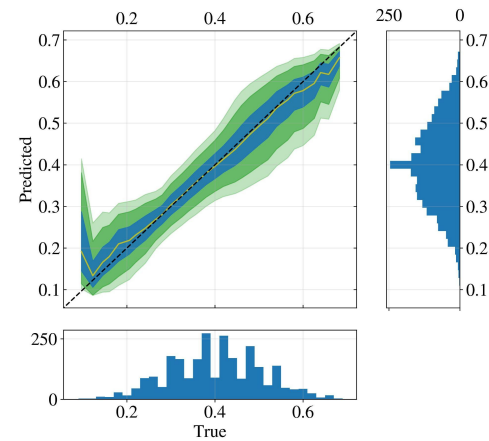
Lens Redshift



Lens Velocity Dispersion (km/s)



Source Redshift



# Results

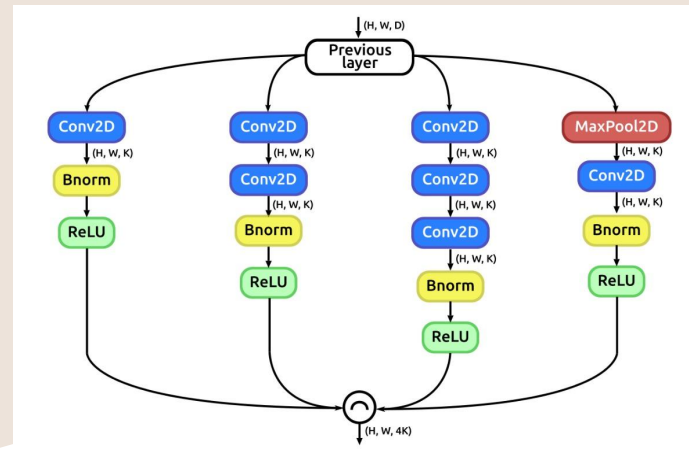
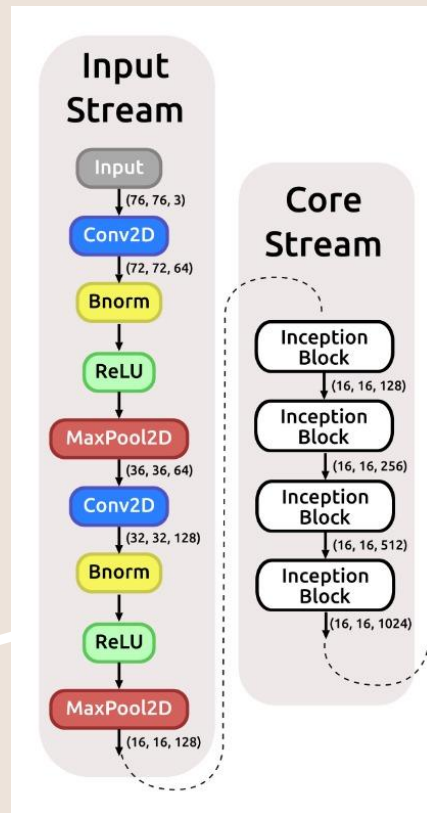
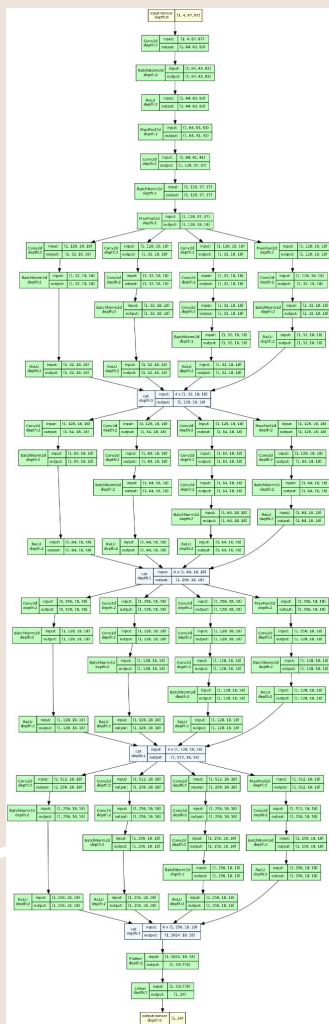
Parameter	Median Precision	Median Fractional Deviation	R <sup>2</sup>
Einstein Radius	91.0%	3.6%	0.93
Lens Velocity Dispersion	79.6%	4.0%	0.68
Lens Redshift	91.4%	3.5%	0.97
Source Redshift	85.0%	2.4%	0.95



# Conclusion

- Fast automated method for Strong Lensing parameter inference, including uncertainties
  - Less than 2 minutes for 2500 lenses
- Up to 91.4% median precision → Self-consistent
- Highest Fractional deviation: 4% → Accurate
- Results on simulated images
- Current Focus:
  - Real images → DELVE
  - Architectures, SBI methods

Thank you!



NSF: 4 transforms, 32 hidden units

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