

Selection bias note

Simulation setup

Pixel scale: 0.187 arcsec (CFHTLenS)

PSF: Moffat, FWHM=0.7 arcsec, the typical value in CFHTLenS

Galaxy: disc-dominated & bulge-dominated (9:1), random walk

Radius:

$$\log_e(r_d) = -1.145 - 0.269(i_{814} - 23), \quad P(r) \propto r \exp[-(r/a)^\alpha], \quad a = r_d/0.833, \alpha = 4/3$$

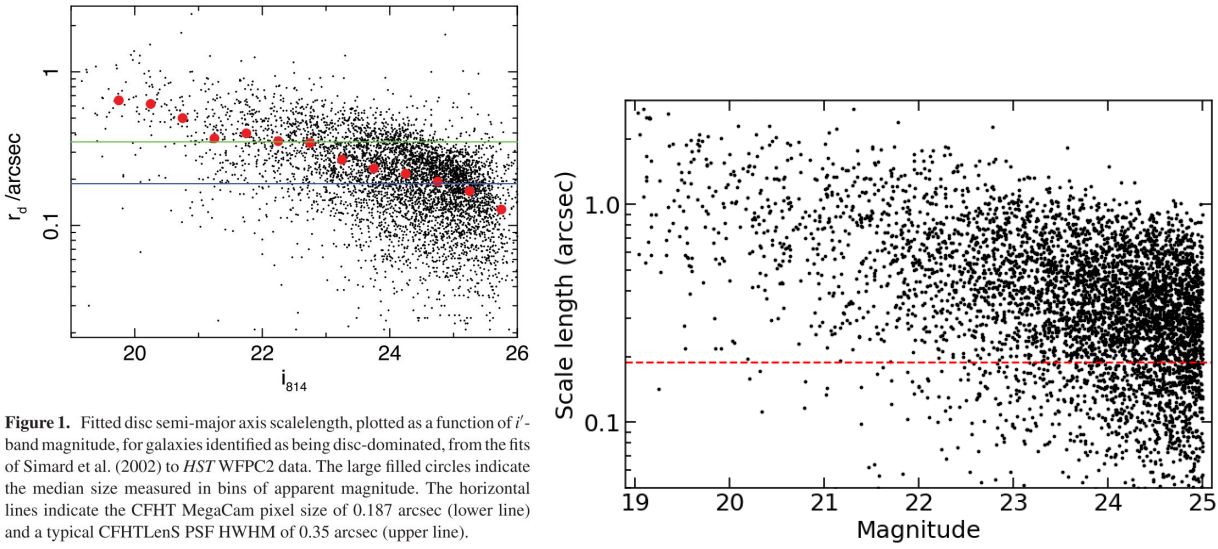


Figure 1. Fitted disc semi-major axis scalelength, plotted as a function of i' -band magnitude, for galaxies identified as being disc-dominated, from the fits of Simard et al. (2002) to *HST* WFPC2 data. The large filled circles indicate the median size measured in bins of apparent magnitude. The horizontal lines indicate the CFHT MegaCam pixel size of 0.187 arcsec (lower line) and a typical CFHTLenS PSF FWHM of 0.35 arcsec (upper line).

PDF of ellipticity

a. disc:

$$P(e) = Ae[1 - \exp(-\frac{e - e_{max}}{a})]/[(1 + e)(e^2 + e_0^2)^{1/2}], \quad e_{max} = 0.804, e_0 = 0.0256, a = 0.2539$$

b. bulge:

$$P(e) \propto e \exp[-be - ce^2], \quad b = 2.368, c = 6.691$$

Bulge-to-total ratio:

$$f(ratio) = \exp[-\frac{ratio^2}{2\sigma^2}], \quad \sigma = 0.1$$

Random walk:

a. CPP: 45 points, max radius = 8

b. galsim: 200 points, half_light_radius and flux are the same as galsim galaxy sample

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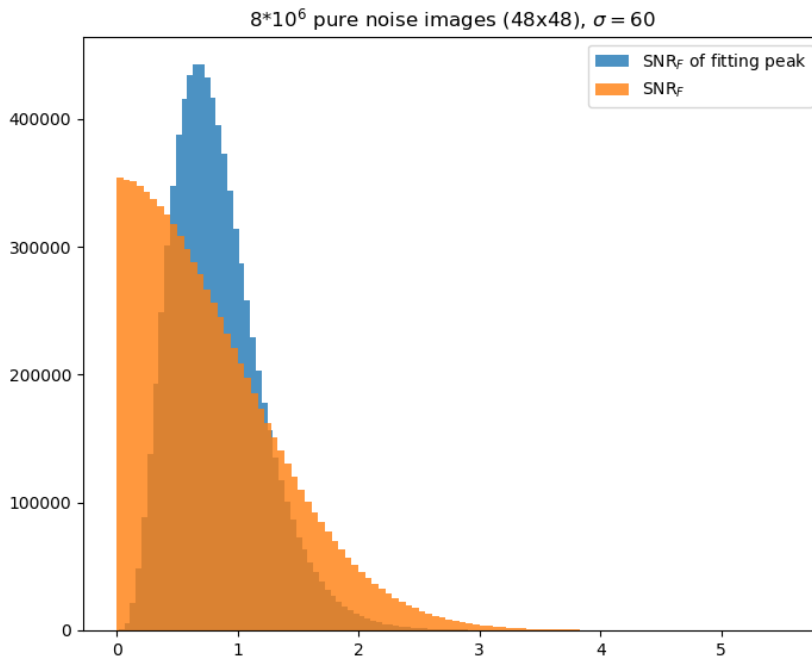
Origin: the selection function correlates with the shear signal

Truncation due to finite stamp size

1. 96×96

2. 48×48

$$SNR_F$$



The SNR_F 's, orange histogram, are measured from 8×10^6 pure noise images (48×48). The blue histogram shows the PDF of SNR_F measured from fitting peaks. The non-fitting SNR_F 's peak at ~ 0 which means no source detection. That confirms to our intuities. However, as the definition shows, the SNR_F of pure source should be 1 as what the histogram shows. The fitting algorithm constrains the PDF and makes it peaks at 1. As we see, using the fitting one as selection criterion will give rise to selection bias.