



ERASMUS MUNDUS JOINT MASTER DEGREE
MASTER IN ASTROPHYSICS AND SPACE SCIENCE

Introduction to Active Galactic Nuclei

Tutorial 5

Photometric reverberation mapping with Astro Data Lab

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Lecture outline

- What is Astro Data Lab?
- Introduction to Astro Data Lab tools and datasets
- Introduction to photometric reverberation mapping
- Astro Data Lab tutorial: Photometric Reverberation Mapping of AGNs
- Homework 5 overview



What is Astro Data Lab?

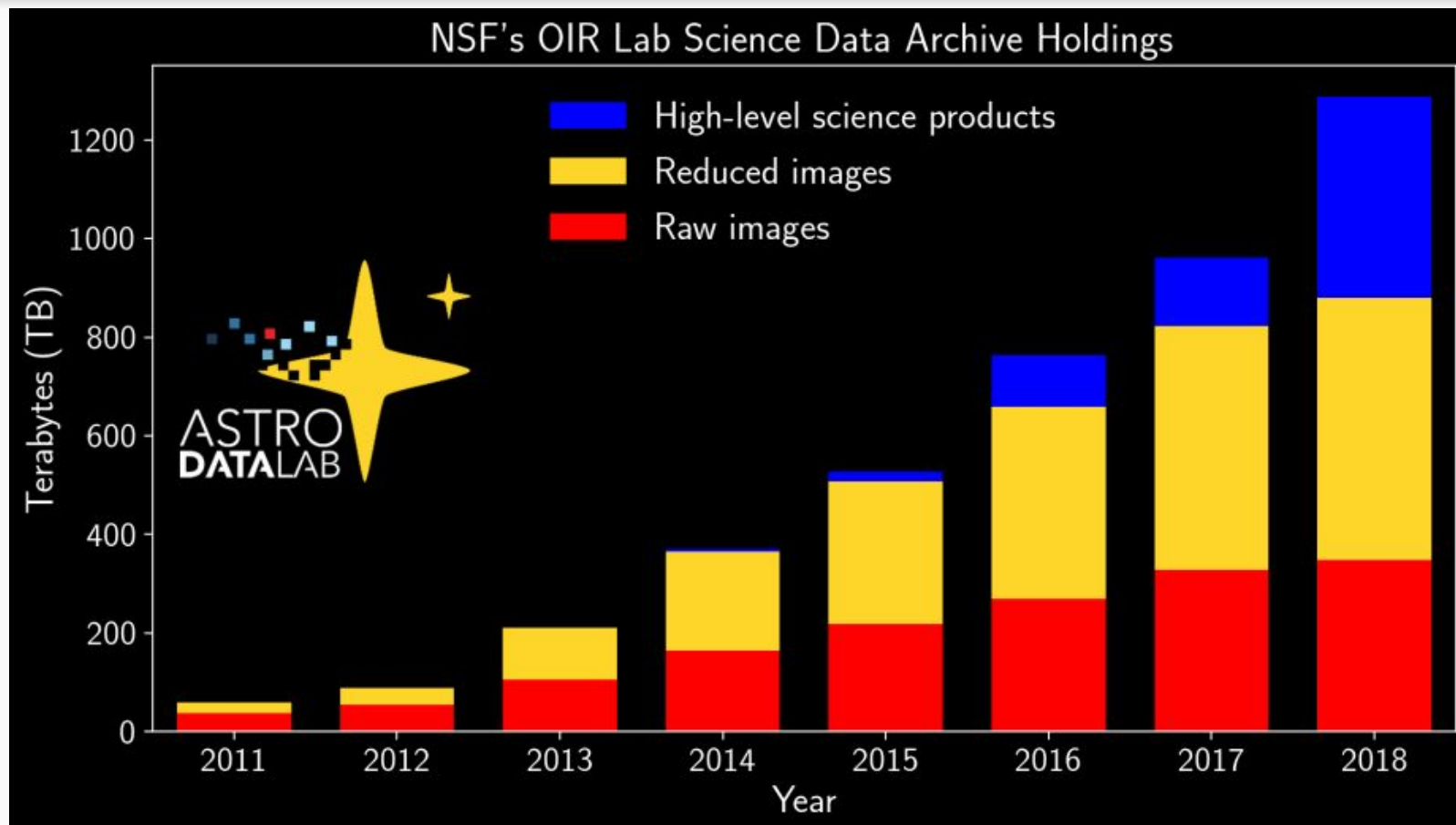
Astro Data Lab - Open-Data, Open-Access Science Platform

- Repository for large (mainly photometric) datasets (catalogs & images)
- Spectroscopy - SDSS DR16, more surveys in future plans (DESI)
- Services to access data (VO, SQL/ADQL, TAP, SIA, ...)
- Exploratory tools (survey coverage, catalog overlay, ...)
- Cross-matching service
- Visualization
- Analysis facilities (Jupyter notebook server)
- Remote storage (vospace, mydb, notebook space)
- You are now part of a community of ~1500 users!

Why Astro Data Lab?

- **Originally:** exploit NOIRLab (formerly NOAO and Gemini) public data (4-m telescopes), surveys, time-domain; specifically: DES
- Bring user's analyses to the data
- Joint analysis with other datasets (ingested by ADL, or uploaded by user)
- Preparation of users for PB-scale data, readiness for LSST
- Today: DES just one of 21 surveys hosted at Data Lab

More than 80 TB of catalog data, 150+ billion rows



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Astro Data Lab provides accounts free of charge. We accept users who are either professional astronomers or data scientists, or astronomy students and educators, or amateur astronomers connected with astronomical research in any way (e.g. through citizen science projects). All fields below are required.

Username ?

Password ?

Confirm Password ?

Full Name ?

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Tell us about your research ?

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You...

- Get 1TB of storage on vospace
- 250 GB of MyDB storage
- Can upload datasets for joint analysis
- Can edit/create/delete notebooks
- Can upload own Python source code
- Can share data with others
- Access the tutorials
- Can contribute with your own science cases

Tutorials: Intros, How-Tos, Data Access, complete Science Cases

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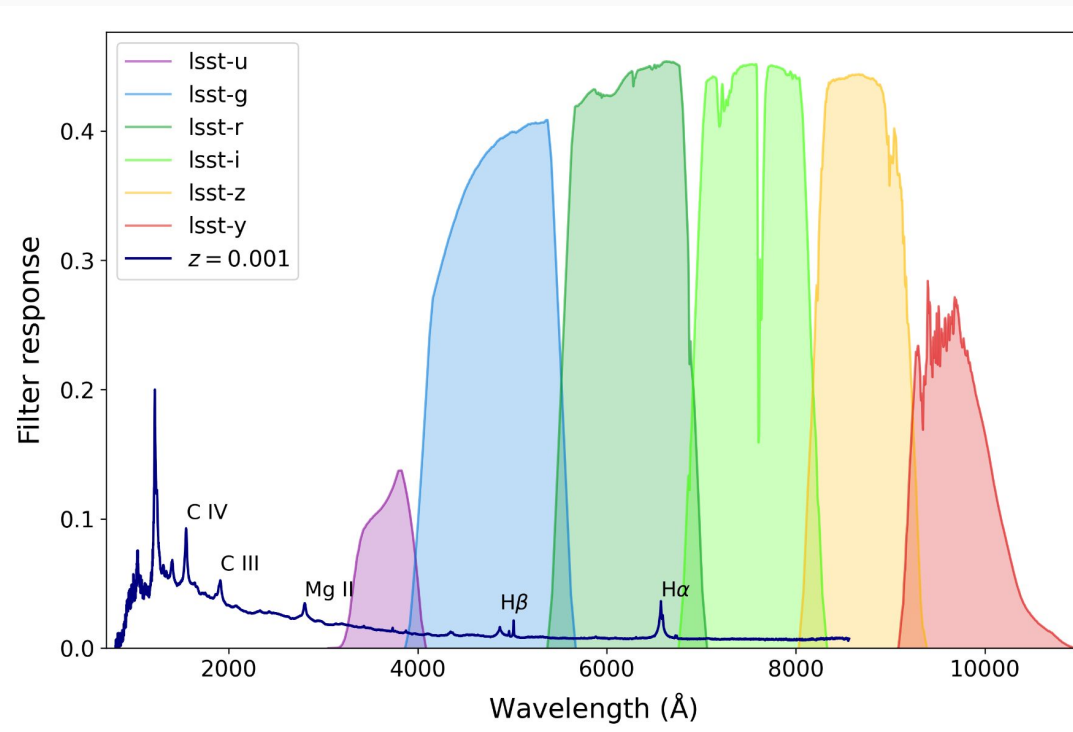
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Let's briefly explore the actual platform...

→ <https://datalab.noirlab.edu/>

Intro to photometric reverberation mapping science case

Photometric reverberation mapping of BLR in AGN



- **PhotoRM:** method for BLR radius estimation using broadband photometric filters.
- **Relevance:** Utilization of LSST data for BLR radius evaluation may allow black hole mass estimation of unprecedented number of AGNs.
- **Difficulty:** Photometric light curves track both continuum and emission line variability together.
- **Example ($z = 0.001$):**
 - Continuum: *i*-band
 - $H\alpha$ + continuum: *r*-band
 - $H\beta$ + continuum: *g*-band

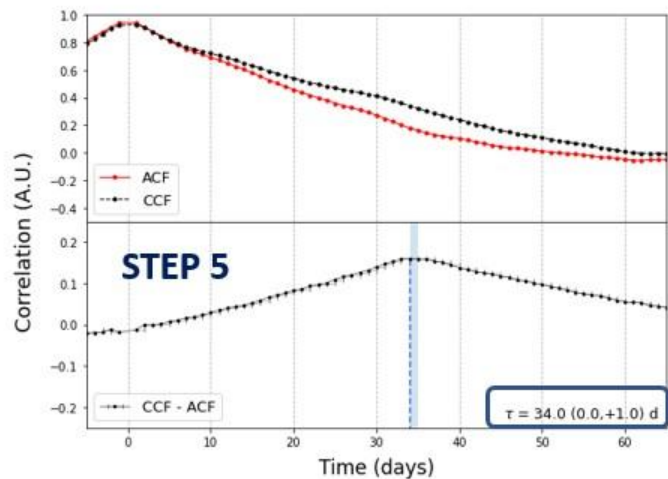
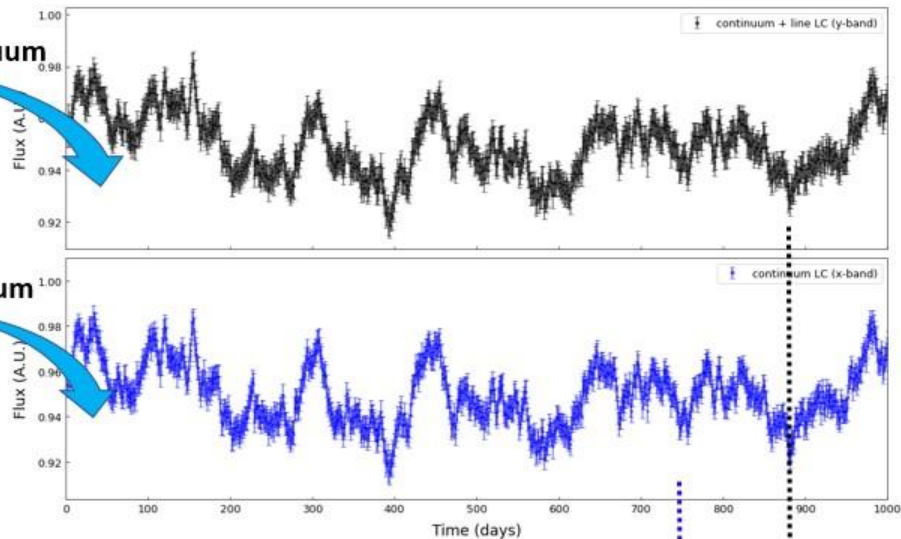
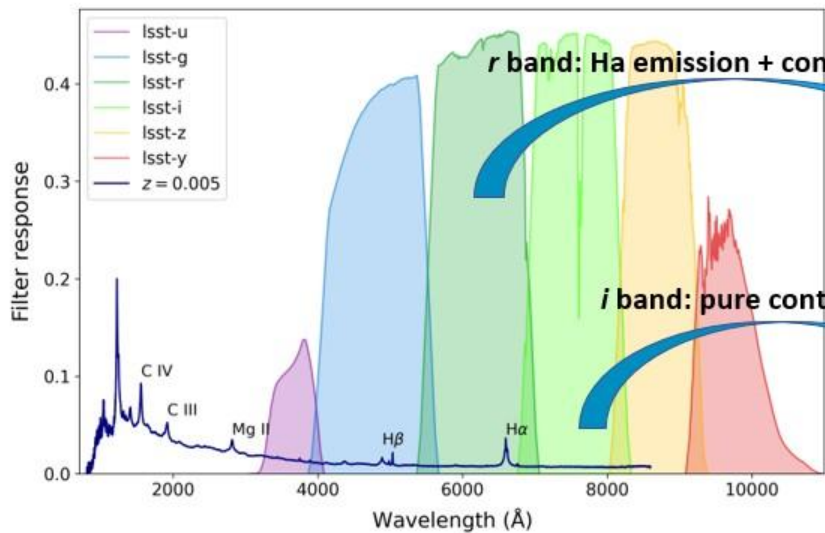
Time-lags obtained using a **formalism** by Chelouche & Daniel (2012)

1. Identify suitable filters: one covering the continuum emission (**X-band**) and the other covering continuum + line emission (**Y-band**)
2. Calculate auto-correlation function (ACF) of the continuum light curve (**X-band**)
3. Calculate cross-correlation function (CCF) of the continuum (**X-band**) + line light curve (**Y-band**)
4. Subtract ACF from CCF:

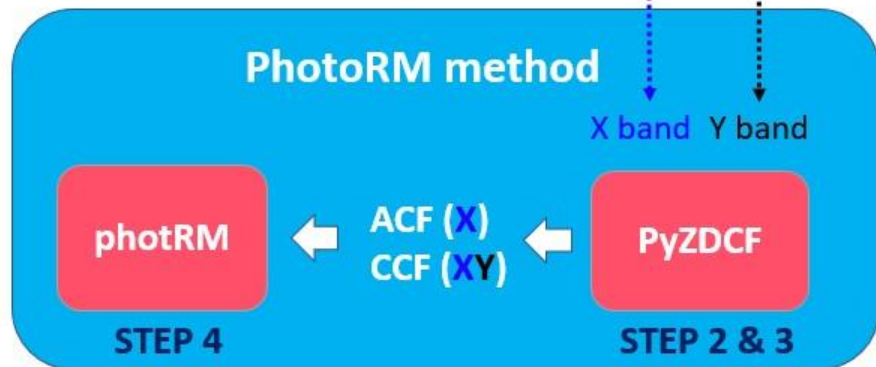
$$CCF(\tau) = CCF_{YX}(\tau) - ACF_X(\tau)$$

5. Find the peak in their difference, it will correspond to the time-lag (τ)

STEP 1



STEP 5



Let's open this notebook in Astro
Data Lab...

Hands-on session (begin now, finish at home)

Upload the HW5 notebook and lc_proc.py to Astro Data Lab

→ notebooks/05_Contrib/TimeDomain/PhotoReverberationMappingAGN

Goals:

Task 1:

- Understand the photometric reverberation mapping method and its limitations.
- Introduction to the tools for simulating AGN light curves and performing photoRM.

Task 2:

- Apply photometric reverberation mapping to real-world data.

Homework 5 deadline: **Monday 08.05, 13h**

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