

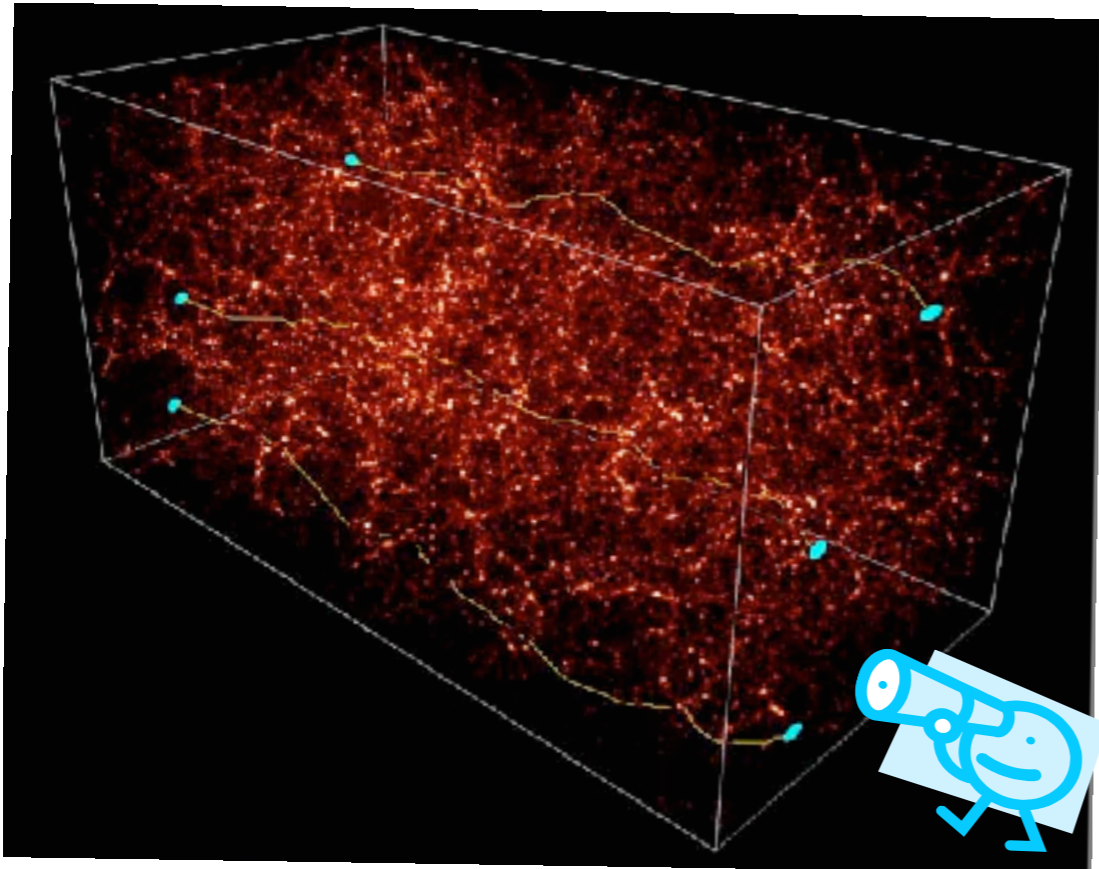
Discussion of bias in shape measurements with general adaptive moments

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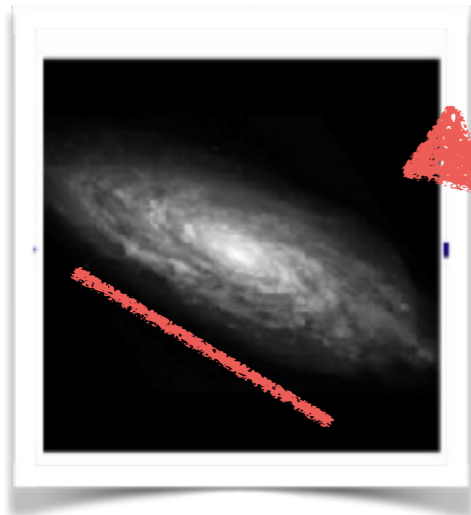
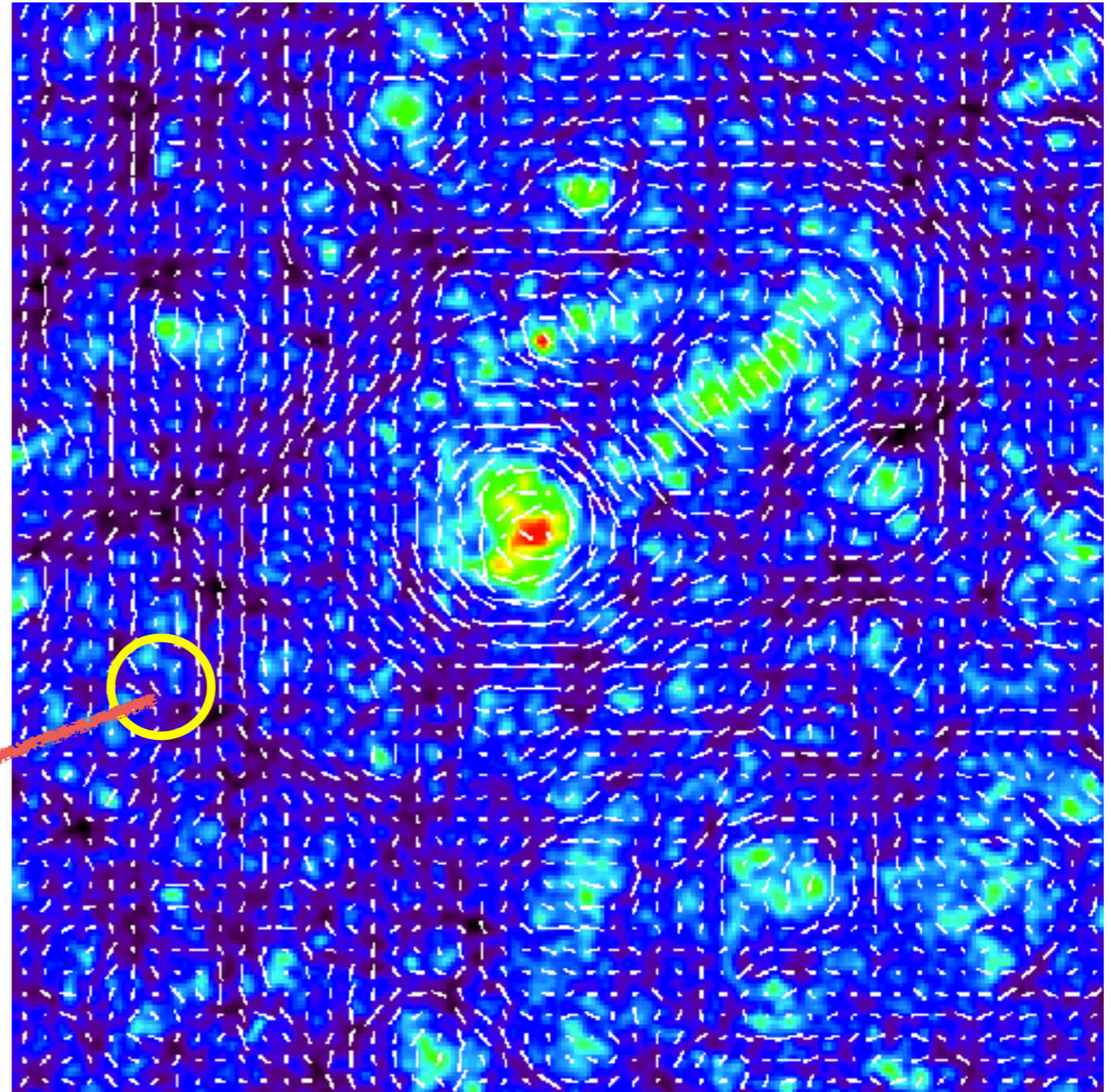
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Simon & Schneider (2017)
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.07937> (v2)

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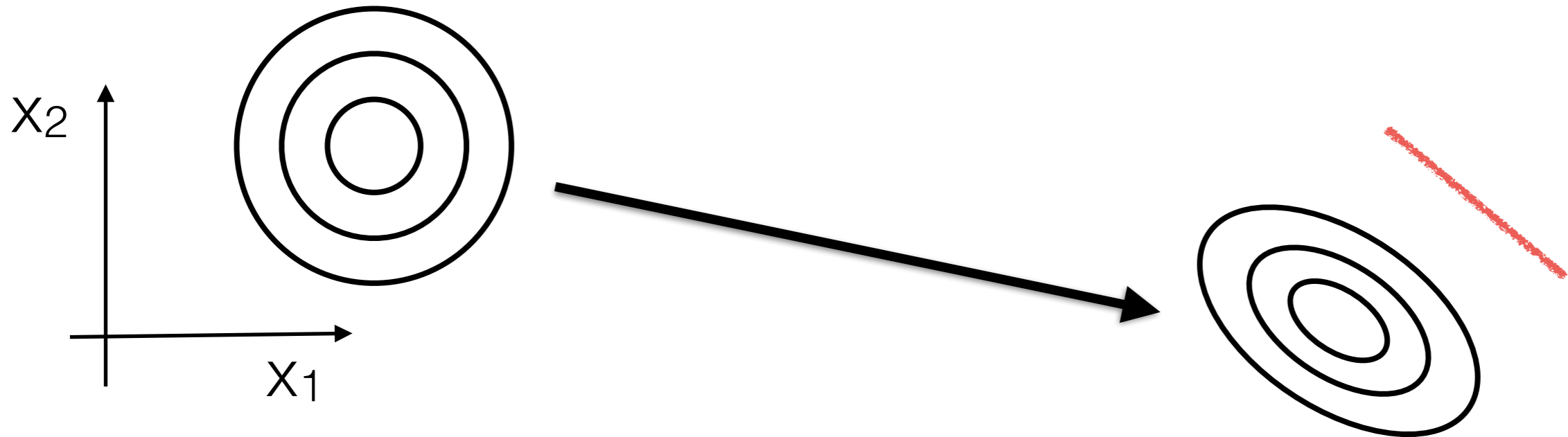


shapes of galaxy images
are correlated with shear

Gravitational shear pattern
on piece of sky

- change of isophotes under (reduced) shear

$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) = \text{const}$$



$$(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 + g_1 & g_2 \\ g_2 & 1 - g_2 \end{pmatrix}^{-2} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) = \text{const}$$

define reduced shear of image by $g = g_1 + i g_2$

- estimator of reduced shear

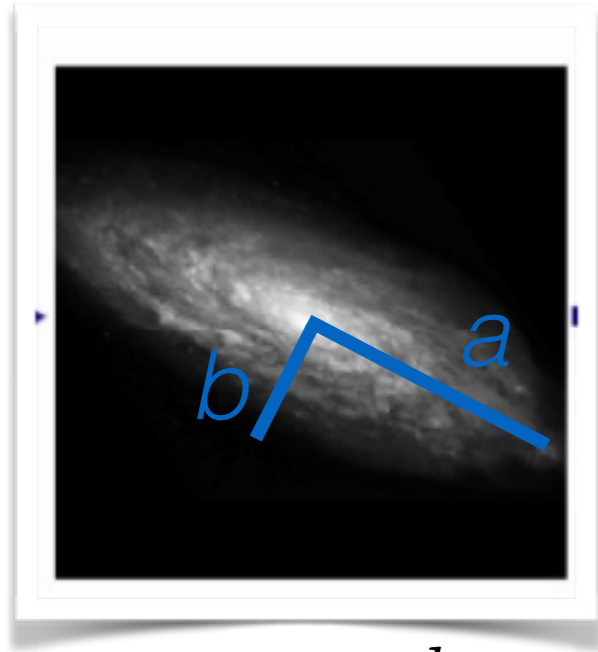


image surface-brightness $I(\mathbf{x})$

centroid position

$$\mathbf{X}_0 = \frac{\int d^2x \mathbf{x} I(\mathbf{x})}{\int d^2x I(\mathbf{x})}$$

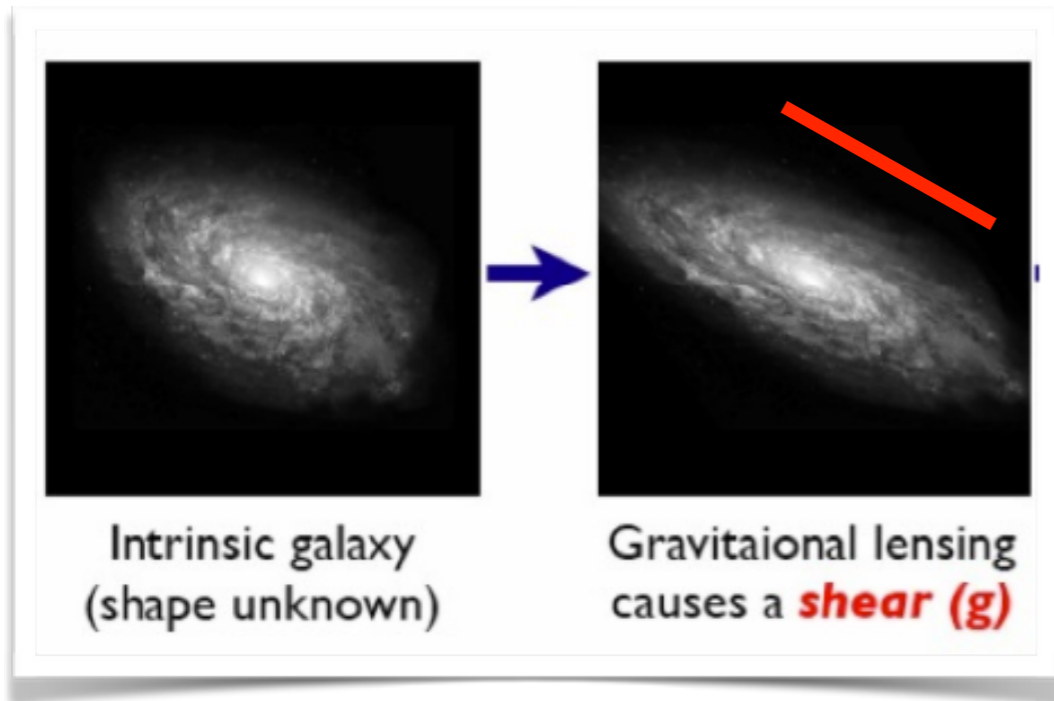
$$|\epsilon| = \frac{a - b}{a + b}$$

quadrupole moment $Q_{ij} = \frac{\int d^2x (x_i - X_{0,i})(x_j - X_{0,j}) I(\mathbf{x})}{\int d^2x I(\mathbf{x})}$

$$\epsilon := \epsilon_1 + i\epsilon_2 = \frac{Q_{11} - Q_{22} + 2iQ_{12}}{Q_{11} + Q_{22} + 2(Q_{11}Q_{22} - Q_{12}^2)^{1/2}}$$

“third flattening”

- estimator of reduced shear



intrinsic ellipticity

$$\epsilon_s$$

sheared ellipticity

$$\epsilon = \frac{\epsilon_s + g}{1 + g^* \epsilon_s}$$

average for *any* isotropic distribution of intrinsic ellipticities:

$$\langle \epsilon \rangle = g$$

Seitz & Schneider (1997)

typically

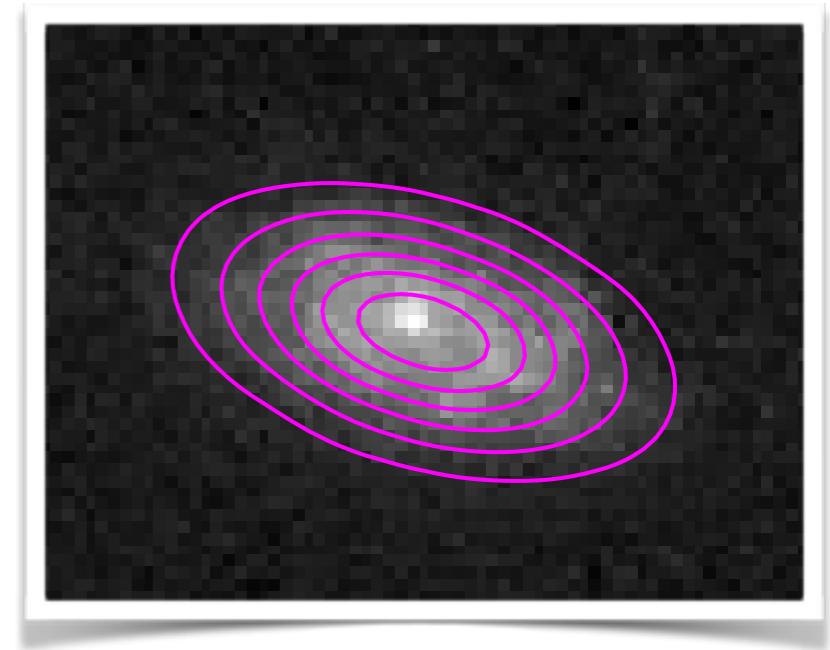
$$|\epsilon| \sim 0.4$$

$$|g| \sim 0.01$$

- general adaptive moments (GLAM)

Problem: $\int d^2x I(\mathbf{x})$ generally diverges.

One solution: introduce weights $w(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$



$$\langle w(\mathbf{x}), I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle := \int d^2x w(\mathbf{x}) I(\mathbf{x})$$

and use weighted moments

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \frac{\langle w(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x} I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}{\langle w(\mathbf{x}), I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}$$

$$Q_{ij} = \frac{\langle w(\mathbf{x}), (x_i - x_{0,i})(x_j - x_{0,j}) I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}{\langle w(\mathbf{x}), I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}$$

- general adaptive moments (GLAM)

GLAM use adaptive weights by least-square fitting an elliptical template to the image, i.e., by minimising

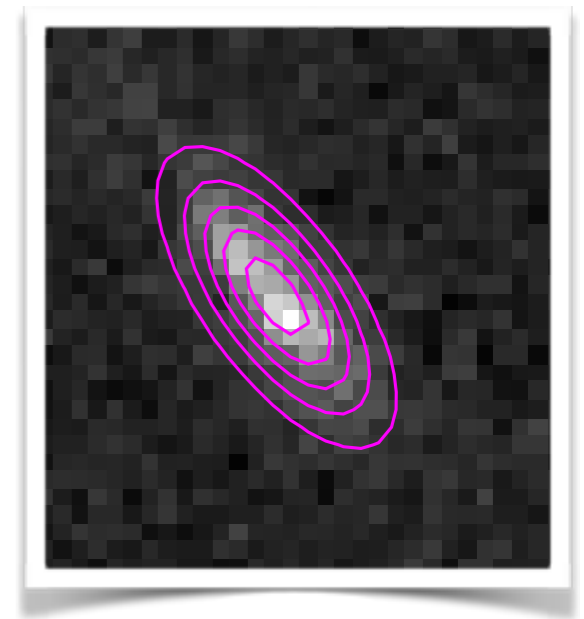
$$E(\mathbf{p}|I) = \left\langle I(\mathbf{x}) - \underbrace{A f(\rho)}_{\text{template}}, I(\mathbf{x}) - \underbrace{A f(\rho)}_{\text{template}} \right\rangle$$

w.r.t. to $\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{x}_0, \epsilon, t, A)$, where iso-contour is

$$\rho := \frac{4}{t^2} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_1 & \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_2 & 1 - \epsilon_1 \end{pmatrix}^{-2} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$$

and at the *minimum* (if it exists — assumed here)

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \frac{\langle f'(\rho), \mathbf{x} I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}{\langle f'(\rho), I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle} \quad Q_{ij} = \frac{\langle f'(\rho), (x_i - x_{0,i})(x_j - x_{0,j}) I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}{\langle f'(\rho), I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle} \propto \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_1 & \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_2 & 1 - \epsilon_1 \end{pmatrix}^2$$



★ GLAM ε (and centroid) of best-fit template is that of the adaptively weighted image;

★ the radial weight profile is $w(r) \propto \frac{1}{r} \frac{df(r^2)}{dr}$

★ GLAM ε is independent of $w(r)$ for elliptical galaxy images (is third flattening of iso-contours);

★ for *any* weight $w(r)$ and any $I(\mathbf{x})$, the GLAM ε is an unbiased estimator of reduced shear;

★ unweighted moments are special case of GLAM, $f(\rho) = \rho$
 $\rightarrow w(r) = \text{const}$

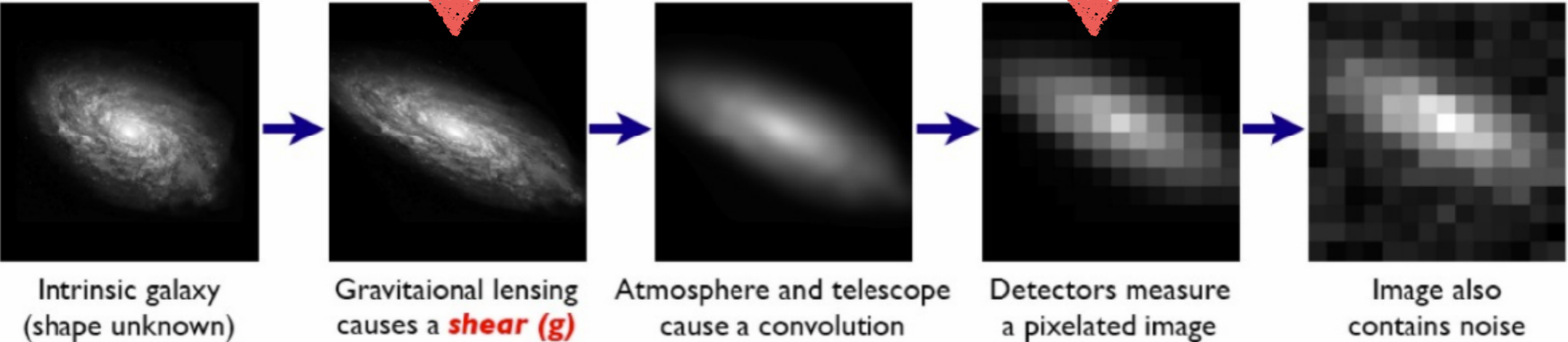
★ adaptive, moment-based ellipticities are not fundamentally different to model-based ellipticities;

- Bummer: we need the **pre-seeing** GLAM ellipticity.

pre-seeing

post-seeing

Galaxies: Intrinsic galaxy shapes to measured image:



+ $\delta\mathbf{I}$

linear mapping \mathbf{L}

$$\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} = \mathbf{L} I_{\text{pre}}(\mathbf{x})$$

- ignore pixel noise; optimal guess for pre-seeing ellipticity?

step 1: assume \mathbf{L} is regular (no information loss)

pre-seeing profiles are very finely pixelated; cost function is

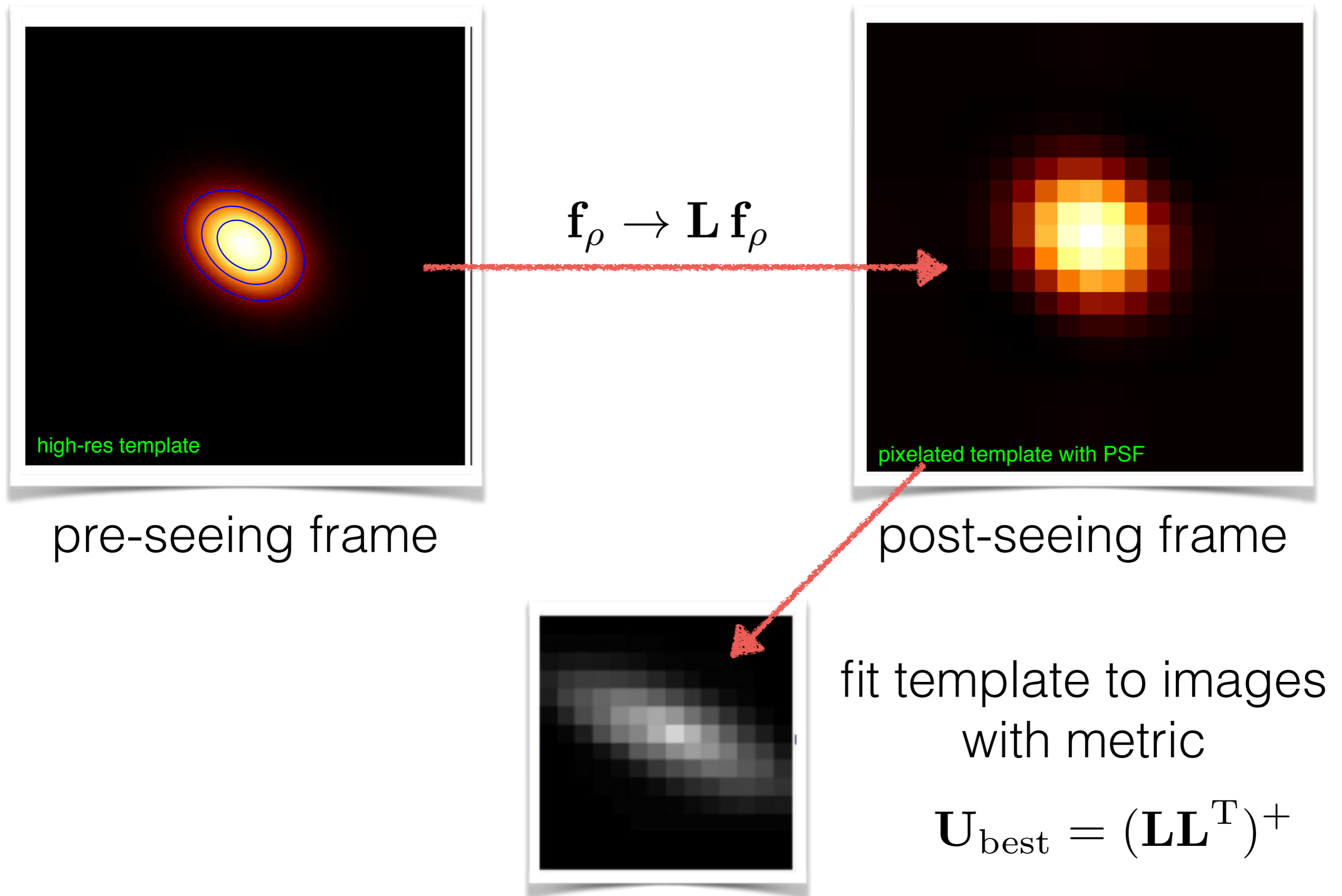
$$E(\mathbf{p}|\mathbf{I}_{\text{pre}}) = (\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{f}_{\rho})^T (\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{f}_{\rho})$$

then obtain pre-seeing ellipticity from post-seeing image:

$$\begin{aligned} E(\mathbf{p}|\mathbf{I}_{\text{pre}}) &= (\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{f}_{\rho})^T (\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{f}_{\rho}) \\ &= (\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}_{\rho})^T (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1} (\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}_{\rho}) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we fit in post-seeing frame template $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}_{\rho}$ with metric $\mathbf{U} := (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1}$ (no bias!).

- conceptual GLAM procedure (noiseless images)



- ignore pixel noise; optimal guess for pre-seeing ellipticity?

step 2: assume L is singular (information loss: mainly pixelation)

Ansatz for cost function:

$$E(\mathbf{p}|\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}}) = (\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}_\rho)^T \mathbf{U} (\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A\mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}_\rho)$$

Unbiased if pre-seeing image \mathbf{I}_{pre} is perfectly fit by \mathbf{f}_ρ ; but biased if best-fit **in pre-seeing frame** has residuals \mathbf{R}_{pre} , namely

$$\delta\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{U}_L\mathbf{G})^{-1} \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{U}_L \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}} + \mathcal{O}(R_{\text{pre}}^2)$$

GLAM exhibit “underfitting bias” if

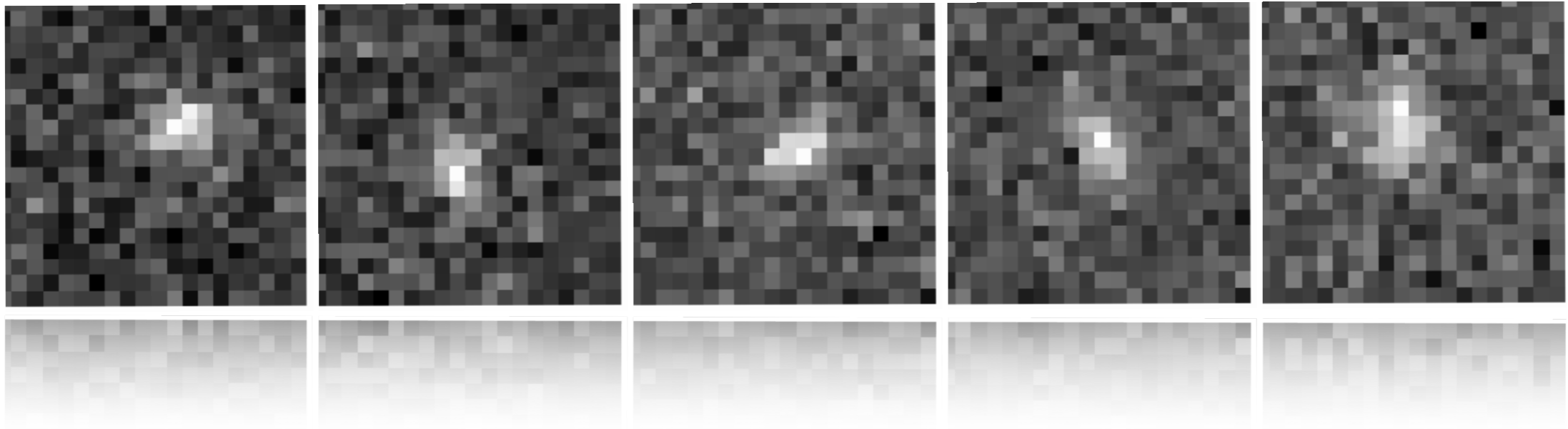
- (i) \mathbf{I}_{pre} is unmatchable with template;
- (ii) *and* if \mathbf{L} is singular;
- (iii) and if $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}} \neq 0$;

$$\mathbf{G}_i = \left. \frac{\partial(A\mathbf{f}_\rho)}{\partial p_i} \right|_{\mathbf{p}_{\text{true}}}$$

$$\mathbf{U}_L := \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{U} \mathbf{L}$$

$$\mathbf{U}_{\text{best}} = (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T)^+$$

- Conclusions for images without pixel noise
 - ★ adaptive-moment ellipticities are parameters of best-fits with elliptical templates; adaptive weight is *derivative* of template;
 - ★ no information loss in \mathbf{I}_{post} : estimator of GLAM ellipticity is unbiased; then also unbiased estimator of g ;
 - ★ information loss in \mathbf{I}_{post} : bias depends on residuals between best-fit template and image in *pre-seeing frame* (necessary for bias is $\mathbf{LR}_{\text{pre}} \neq 0$ and a singular \mathbf{L});
 - ★ bias is reduced by *template profile* that closely resembles that of pre-seeing image;
 - ★ there is bias for pixelated and non-elliptical images;



There shall be noise!
(part II)

$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} + \delta\mathbf{I}$$

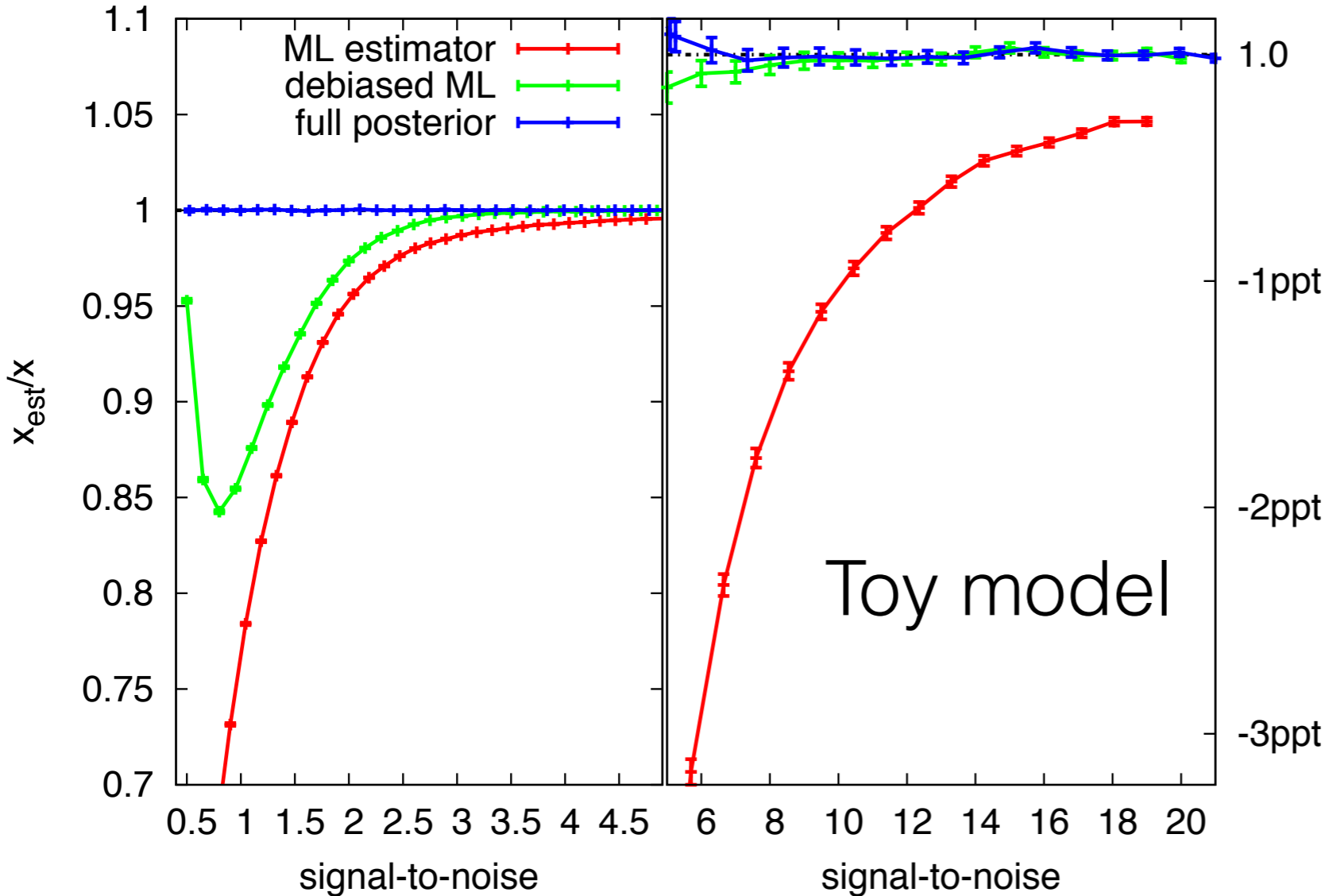
$$\langle \delta\mathbf{I} \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \delta\mathbf{I} \mathbf{I}_{\text{post}}^{\text{T}} \rangle = 0$$

$$N = \langle \delta\mathbf{I} \delta\mathbf{I}^{\text{T}} \rangle$$

- illustration of noise bias

bias of estimator varies with S/N; not present without noise



What is x ?

$$y = x^3 + n ; n \sim N(0, \sigma)$$

Maximum likelihood

$$x_{ml} = y^{1/3}$$

$$\langle x_{ml} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^N y_i^{1/3} / N$$

Bayesian posterior

$$p(x|y) \propto \mathcal{L}(y|x) p(x)$$

Combine information!

$$p(x|y_1, y_2, \dots) \propto \prod_{i=1}^N \mathcal{L}(y_i|x) p(x)$$

x : “ellipticity”; y : “image”

- Bayesian GLAM: do not use point estimates of ellipticity; keep full statistical information;

Likelihood function of GLAM ellipticity (Gaussian noise)?

Inferring adaptive moments by forward-fitting templates....

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \ln \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}}) + \text{const} &= \left(\mathbf{I} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho - \mathbf{L} \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}} \right)^T \mathbf{N}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{I} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho - \mathbf{L} \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}} \right) \\ &=: \|\mathbf{I} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho - \mathbf{L} \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}}\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

We do not know the pre-seeing residuals.

Option 1: hope that they are not relevant, and use a *misspecified* likelihood ,

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{p}) + \text{const} = \|\mathbf{I} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2$$

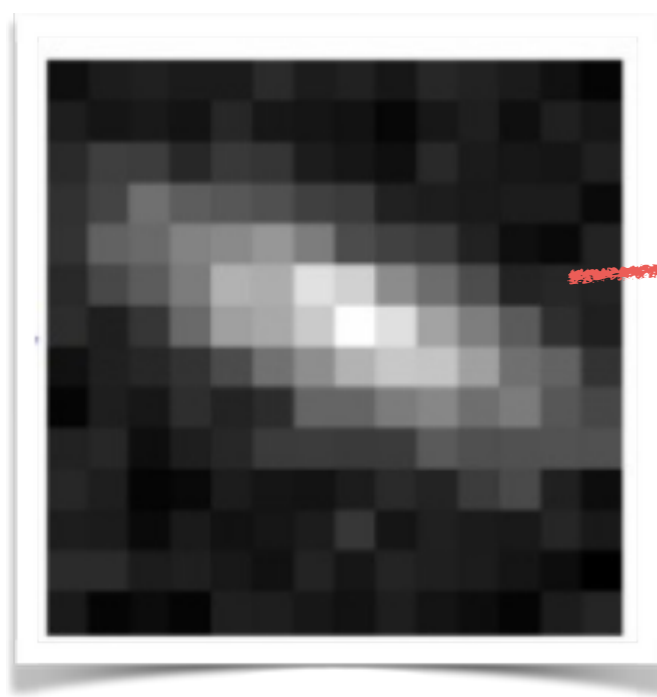
Option 2: quantify your ignorance by a *prior* density for residuals,

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{p}) = \int d\mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}} p(\mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}}|\mathbf{p}) \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}})$$

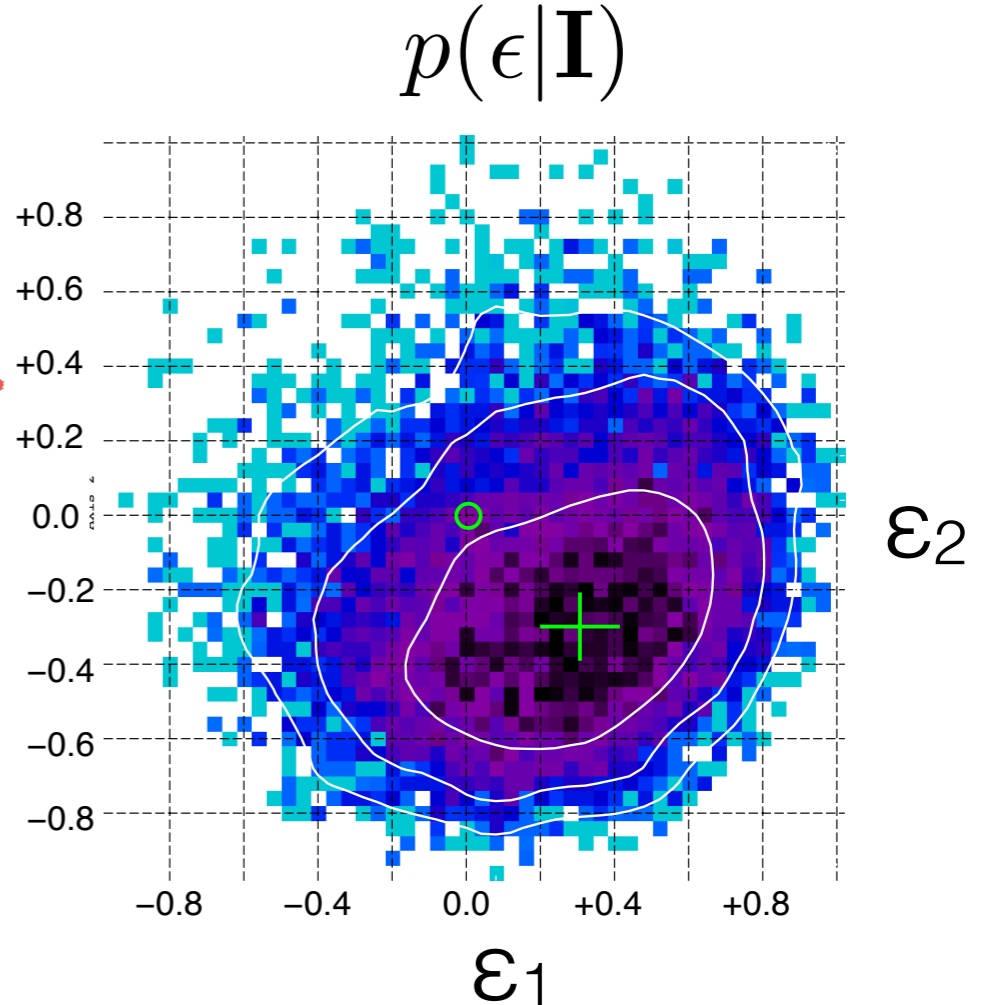
- posterior density of GLAM ellipticity

$$p(\epsilon|\mathbf{I}) \propto \int \underbrace{dA dt d\mathbf{x}_0}_{\text{nuisance parameters}} \overbrace{p(A, t, \mathbf{x}_0, \epsilon)}^{\text{prior}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{p})$$

Adopting relaxed, uniform prior. Prior details should not matter?



Monte-Carlo sampling




- **Experiment 1:** i.i.d. exposures of *same* pre-seeing galaxy \mathbf{I}_{post}

Combine likelihoods of all exposures for posterior

$$p(\mathbf{p} | \mathbf{I}_1, \mathbf{I}_2, \dots) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}_i | \mathbf{p}) p(\mathbf{p})$$

Investigate consistency by considering $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$-2 \ln p(\mathbf{p} | \mathbf{I}_1, \mathbf{I}_2, \dots) \simeq \text{const} + n \|\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2$$

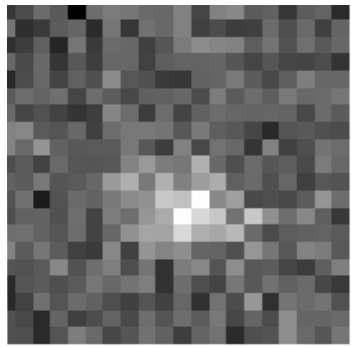
 noise-free

Asymptotic posterior puts all probability mass at minimum of

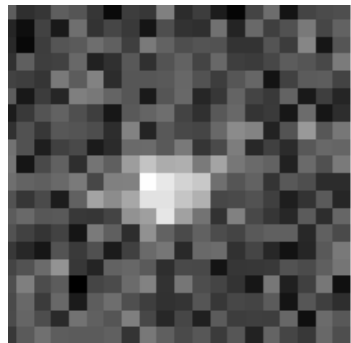
$$(\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho)^T \mathbf{N}^{-1} (\mathbf{I}_{\text{post}} - A \mathbf{L} \mathbf{f}_\rho) = \min$$

1. Same as noise-free problem with metric $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{N}^{-1}$
2. **There is no noise bias:** no effect for $\mathbf{N}^{-1} \rightarrow \lambda \mathbf{N}^{-1}$
3. Magnitude of bias depends on $\mathbf{L} \mathbf{R}_{\text{pre}}$ and $\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{N}^{-1} \mathbf{L}$

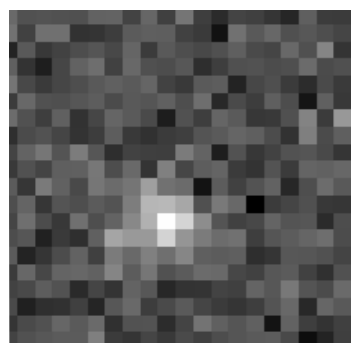
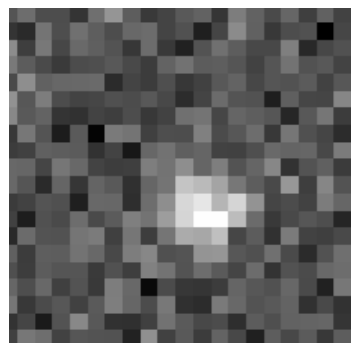
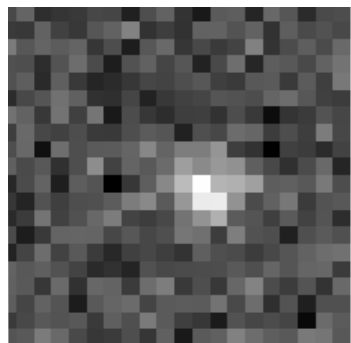
- **Experiment 2:** sample of *different* pre-seeing galaxies, same ϵ



Same ellipticity but different $\mathbf{q}_i = (A_i, t_i, \mathbf{x}_{0,i})$



Combine marginal posteriors of same ellipticity:



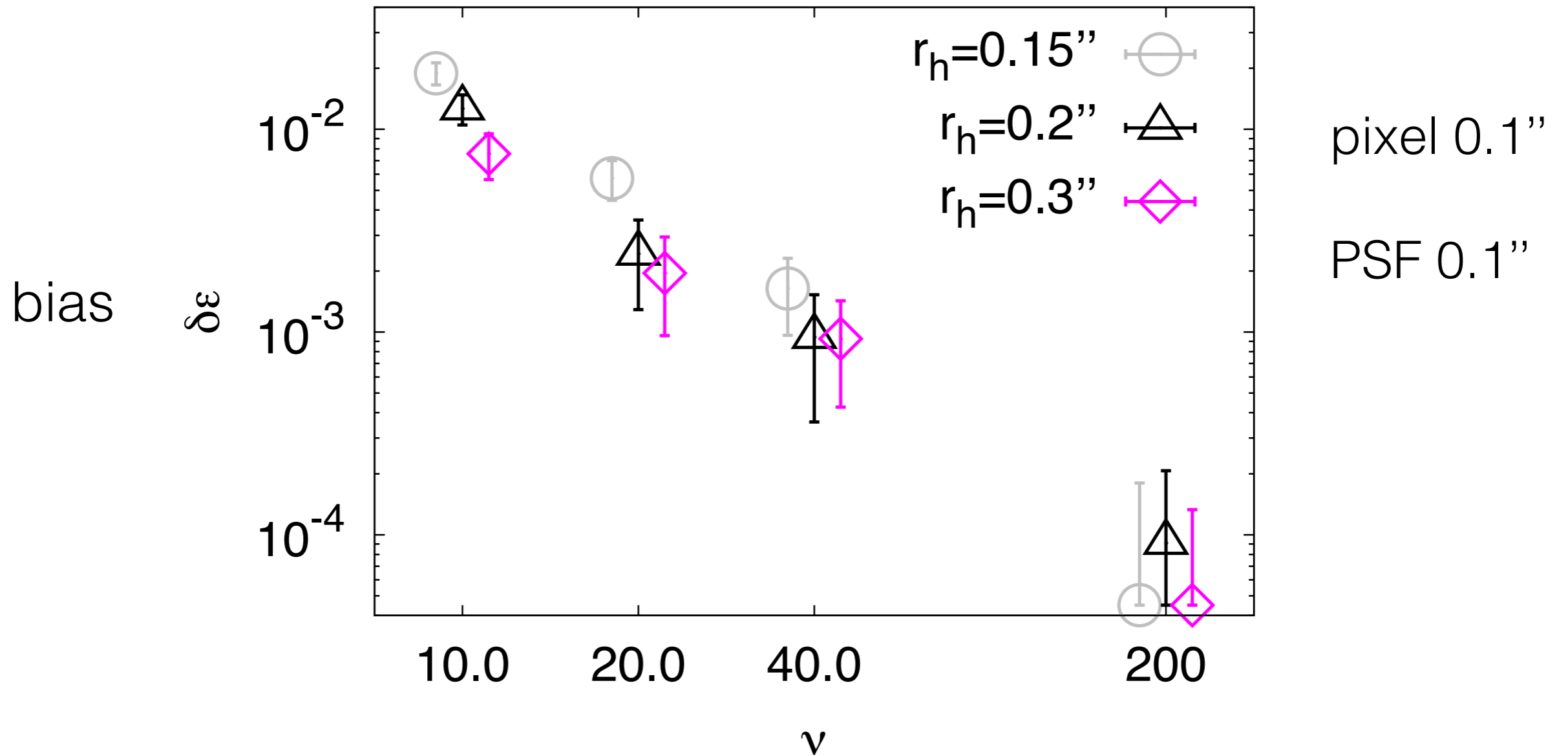
$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\epsilon | \mathbf{I}_1, \mathbf{I}_2, \dots) &\propto \prod_{i=1}^n p(\epsilon | \mathbf{I}_i) \\
 &= \int \underbrace{d\mathbf{q}_1 d\mathbf{q}_2 \dots}_{\text{marginalize}} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{I}_i | \epsilon, \mathbf{q}_i) \underbrace{p(\mathbf{q}_i)}_{\text{prior}} p(\epsilon) \\
 &\simeq \prod_{i=1}^n p(\epsilon | \mathbf{I}_{\text{post},i}) \quad \leftarrow \text{noise-free}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now asymptotic consistency explicitly depends on prior density of nuisance parameters.

Prior does not become irrelevant here because complexity of model increases with every new image \mathbf{I}_i in the sample.

- Bayesian (nuisance) priors can be *incorrect* (prior bias).

Correctly specified likelihood but incorrect prior:



1. Prior bias introduces noise bias into Bayesian picture after all.
2. Becomes irrelevant if likelihood for *individual* images dominates.
3. Vanishes if prior equals actual distrb. of nuisance parameters.

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- **Experiment 3:** sample of *different* pre-seeing galaxies, same shear

Similar to Experiment 2 but now with shear posteriors:

$$p(g|\mathbf{I}) = \underbrace{p_g(g)}_{\text{prior } g} (1 - |g|^2)^2 \int d^2\epsilon \frac{p_s(\epsilon_s(g, \epsilon)) p(\epsilon|\mathbf{I})}{\mathcal{N}(\epsilon) |1 - \epsilon g^*|^4}$$

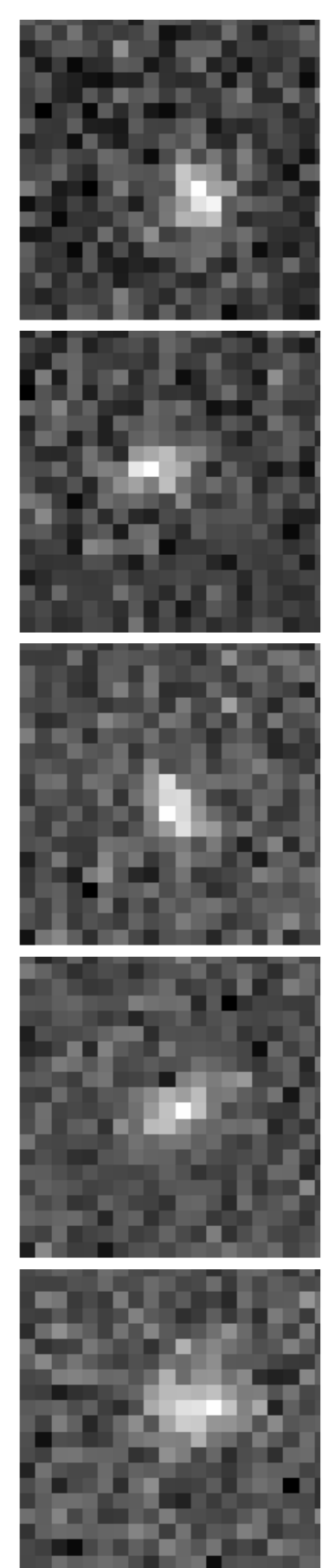
prior for intrinsic shapes

where

$$\mathcal{N}(\epsilon) := \int d^2g \frac{p_g(g) p_s(\epsilon_s(g, \epsilon)) (1 - |g|^2)^2}{|1 - \epsilon g^*|^4} ; \epsilon_s(g, \epsilon) := \frac{\epsilon - g}{1 - \epsilon g^*}$$

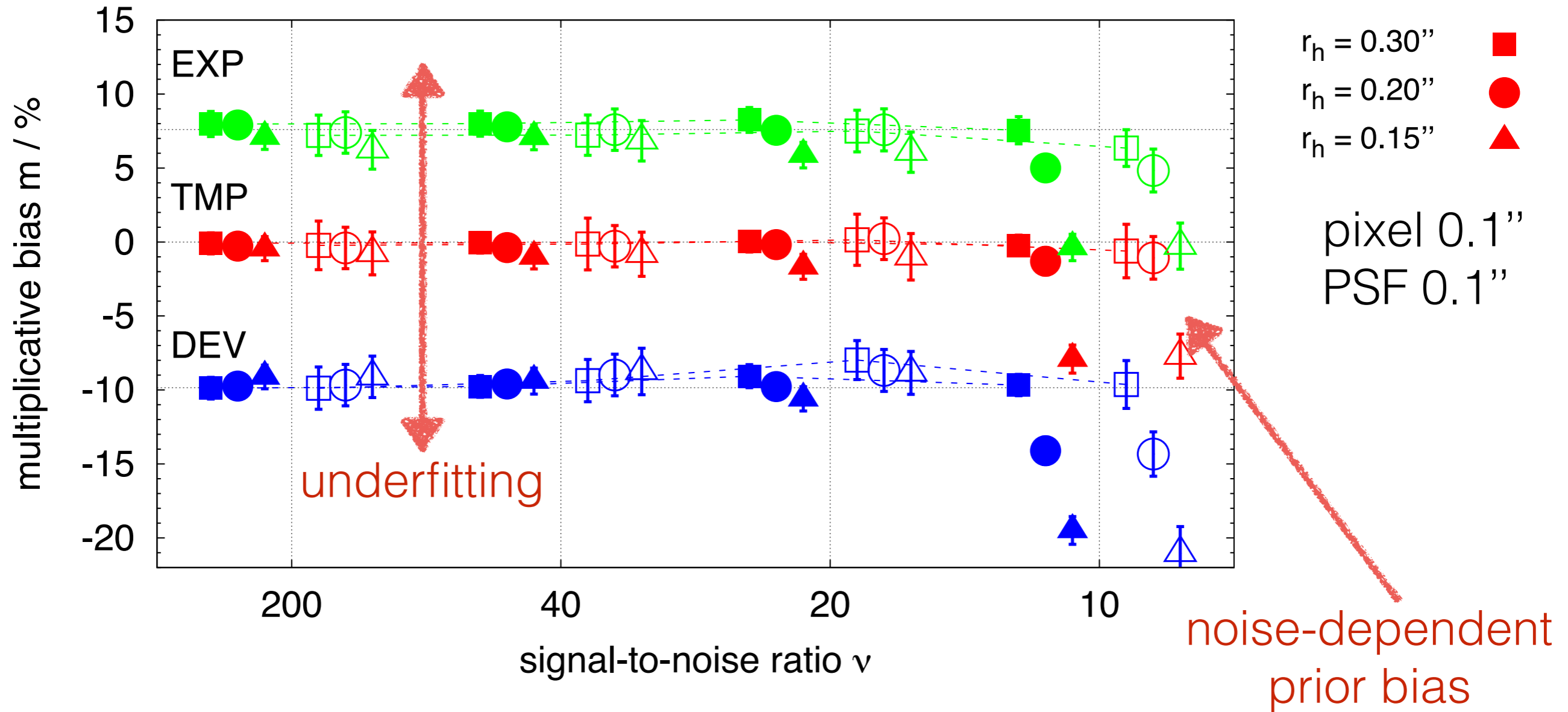
Combine and marginalize to constrain reduced shear:

$$p(g|\mathbf{I}_1, \mathbf{I}_2, \dots) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n p(g|\mathbf{I}_i) \simeq \prod_{i=1}^n p(g|\mathbf{I}_{\text{post},i})$$



- Results for numerical analysis

$$g = (1 + m) g_{\text{true}} + c$$



open symbols: uniform prior for intrinsic shapes

filled symbols: correct prior for intrinsic shapes

- Conclusions for images with pixel noise
 - ★ can construct a marginal posterior of GLAM ellipticity;
 - ★ likelihood is misspecified for $\mathbf{LR}_{\text{pre}} \neq 0$; could be fixed with prior density for \mathbf{R}_{pre} (dedicated survey);
 - ★ misspecified likelihood produces underfitting bias; depends on \mathbf{L} , heterogeneity and correlation of noise but not overall S/N;
 - ★ intrinsically different images \mathbf{I}_{pre} can introduce noise-dependent prior bias if prior density of $\mathbf{q}=(A, t, \mathbf{x}_0)$ is not distribution of \mathbf{q} in sample;
 - ★ prior bias prominent when posterior of ellipticity is dominated by prior in individual image;

- backup slide: non-adaptive weighted moments

Assume fixed weight $w(\mathbf{x})$ and minimise w.r.t. to $\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{x}_0, \epsilon, t, A)$

$$E(\mathbf{p}|I) = \langle w(\mathbf{x}) [I(\mathbf{x}) - A \rho], I(\mathbf{x}) - A \rho \rangle$$

to find at the minimum the relations

$$Q_{ij} = \frac{\langle w(\mathbf{x}), (x_i - x_{0,i})(x_j - x_{0,j}) I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}{\langle w(\mathbf{x}), I(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}$$

$$\propto \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \epsilon_1 & \epsilon_2 \\ \epsilon_2 & 1 - \epsilon_1 \end{pmatrix}^2$$

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \frac{\int d^2x w(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{x} I(\mathbf{x})}{\int d^2x w(\mathbf{x}) I(\mathbf{x})}$$

Non-adaptive weighted moments are parameters of best-fit template with a metric $w(x)$ and $f(\rho) = \rho$.