# A Multi-Task Neural Net with Monte Carlo Dropout for Spectral Analysis of Galaxies



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stellar mass

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- Galaxy evolution across cosmic time is a key topic of modern astro

- How it works? We observe galaxies at all epochs, measure their physical properties and use the relations among them to tune physical models.



Upcoming all-sky spectroscopic survey (DESI, 4MOST, MOONS): hundreds of millions of **spectra** will be acquired in the next half-decade.

### <u>MOONS</u> is the new Multi-Object Optical and Near-infrared Spectrograph, soon to be operated @VLT, ESO (8-m telescope)

- 1000 fibres, over a field of view of  $\sim 500^2$  arcmin;
- low- (R~4000–7000) / high-resolution (~19000 in H);
- 0.64 1.8 µm wavelength range.





### Any data challenge?

- up to about half a million galaxies at 0.9 < z < 2.6
- >12000 elements per spectrum in low-resolution!
- Standard fitting methods are slow and fail in weaksignal regimes





# Simulated dataset

### • ~120.000 spectra

- generated by running **MAMBO** templates through moons1d
- moons1d ran with low resolution mode for all 3 channels (RI, YJ, H), **0.64-1.8 µm**
- a seeing of 0.8" and airmass of 1.2







### Dataset

### • $t_{exp} = 2, 4, 8 h$

- 0.64 1.8 µm
- 12.217 channels

# FeII L beto LIL-2 MgT 3 FeI



# Target physics • redshift, z • stellar mass, $M_{\rm star}$

• star formation rate, **SFR** 







### Pre-processing

Sky-masking



Masked about ~ 15% of spectral channels

# Deep learning MOONS spectra

### The case of redshift

### Classical scheme: a regression problem





# Switch to a classification problem

... and let the "softmax + cross-entropy" team work for us (better than the "linear + mse" team) :-)



### We adopt dz = 0.003



# Switch to a classification problem



# Learning through multi-task training



Ruder+17; Crawshaw+20; Hervella+24 etc

### Line-Location Task

emission\_lines\_rest = { # Oxygen II 'OII\_1': 3727.1, 'OII\_2': 3729.9, # Oxygen II 'H\_beta': 4862.7, 'OIII\_1': 4960.3, # Oxygen III 'OIII\_2': 5008.2, # Oxygen III 'NII\_1': 6549.8, # Nitrogen II 'H\_alpha': 6564.6, 'NII\_2': 6585.3, # Nitrogen II 'SII\_1': 6718.3, # Sulfur II # Sulfur II 'SII\_2': 6732.7, 'SIII\_1': 9070, # Sulfur III 'SIII\_2': 9532, # Sulfur III # Nitrogen V 'NV': 1240, 'Sill\_1': 1260, # Silicon II 'OI': 1303, # Oxygen I 'CII': 1334, # Carbon II # Silicon IV 'SilV\_1': 1393, 'SilV\_2': 1402, # Silicon IV 'Sill\_2': 1526, # Silicon II 'CIV\_1': 1548, # Carbon IV # Helium II 'Hell\_1': 1640, 'OII\_3': 1660, # Oxygen II 'OII\_4': 1666, # Oxygen II # Carbon III 'CIII': 1909, # Cyanide radical 'CN': 3875, # Calcium II 'Call\_1': 3933, 'Call\_2': 3969, # Calcium II 'Fell': 4668, # Iron II 'Mgl\_1': 5167, # Magnesium I 'Mgl\_2': 5172, # Magnesium I 'Mgl\_3': 5183, # Magnesium I 'Fel': 5270, # Iron I 'Nal\_1': 5892, # Sodium I 'Nal\_2': 8183, # Sodium I 'Nal\_3': 8195, # Sodium I 'Call\_3': 8489, # Calcium II 'Call\_4': 8542, # Calcium II # Calcium II 'Call\_5': 8662, 'Hell\_2': 10830 # Helium II

# Hydrogen-beta

# Hydrogen-alpha





# Residual blocks with convolutional layers

1d convolution scheme









### Predictions on the a test set



### • ~18000 spectra

• Same distributions as training set



### General Performance









# Let's have a look at the predictions

### Good predictions



## Let's have a look at the predictions

Bad predictions





### Improve uncertainties with Monte Carlo Dropout

### MC Dropout at work





## Improve uncertainties with Monte Carlo Dropout





# Differences in the distributions of good & bad predictions























### Information encoded in the last embedding layers







# Future — domain adversarial training to align real data

There might be a domain shift between synthetic data and real observations. Domain adaptation helps filling the gap.



### Remember F. Belfiore's talk (yesterday)?

Vilalta+18; Ćiprijanović+20; Huertas-Company+23; Belfiore & Ginolfi, in prep



# Conclusions

- call for the help of deep learning.

- straightforward contaminant removal.



- The upcoming volume and complexity of spectral data, especially around cosmic noon,

- We designed a conv neural net trained through multi-task learning that can accurately obtain redshift and physical properties from galaxy spectra, handling uncertainties.

- We tested our pipeline on simulated MOONS spectra, outperforming standard spectral fitting tools. Our results will help in designing observational strategies for MOONS.

- We find that an a-posteriori analysis of the redshift PDF boosts performance through



Additional slides







residual threshold