# Weak Gravitational Lensing Table Ronde: shear calibration

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## The shape measurement challenge



Bridle et al. 2008, great08 handbook

- LSS induces shall shear g (or  $\gamma)$  to images of high-z galaxies,  $|g|\ll|\varepsilon|$  intrinsic ellipticity
- Beat down noise by averaging over many galaxies,  $\langle \varepsilon \rangle = g$ .
- Measured shapes are basically never unbiased. Write  $\langle \varepsilon \rangle = g^{\rm obs} = (1+m)g^{\rm true} + c$

### Shear calibration with image simulations

Done for most weak-lensing surveys:

- Simulate *a lot* of galaxy images with realistic properties, PSF, redshift distribution, ....
- Compute m and c as function of galaxy properties.
- Correct measured ellipticities.



DES, (Jarvis et al. 2016)

#### Euclid

Very high requirements on uncertainty of m and c, e.g.  $|\Delta m| < 0.1\%$ . Necessary to get the few percent uncertainty on dark energy! To achieve this accuracy, billions of galaxies need to be simulated (Hoekstra et al. 2017). Recently, a new calibration method was developped, reducing the number of simulated galaxies by up to 3 orders of magnitude (Pujol et al. 2018).

Will be implemented in subsequent SGS science challenges and OU-SHE validation.

This allows us to study in much more detail

- bias as function of galaxy properties
- bias for individual galaxies
- blended galaxy images
- spatially varying bias
- bias from selection effects
- bias for simulated Euclid VIS images

#### Possible tasks for this table ronde

- Algebraic.
  - Explore transformation properties of bias (spin-2, spin-4 components, phases).
  - Examine high-order terms in ellipticity-shear relation, neglected in (Pujol et al. 2018).
- Numerical:
  - Spatially variable bias models, effect on shear statistics such as the shear power spectrum
  - Examine (individual) shear biases as function of (high-d) galaxy properties, use machine learning
  - Work with Euclid VIS simulations

#### Summary: working on shear calibration ...

- is super important for Euclid
- involves brand-new state-of-the-art method
- does not require large amount of expert knowledge

#### Tools

- GALSIM to simulate galaxy images.
- JUPYTER notebook implementing (Pujol et al. 2018) method. Arnau Pujol happy to be involved.
- ATHENA, PALLAS.PY, HEALPY to compute correlation functions and power spectra

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