

Artificial Sky Above Vyškov

Why Observations Can Be Considered Useless

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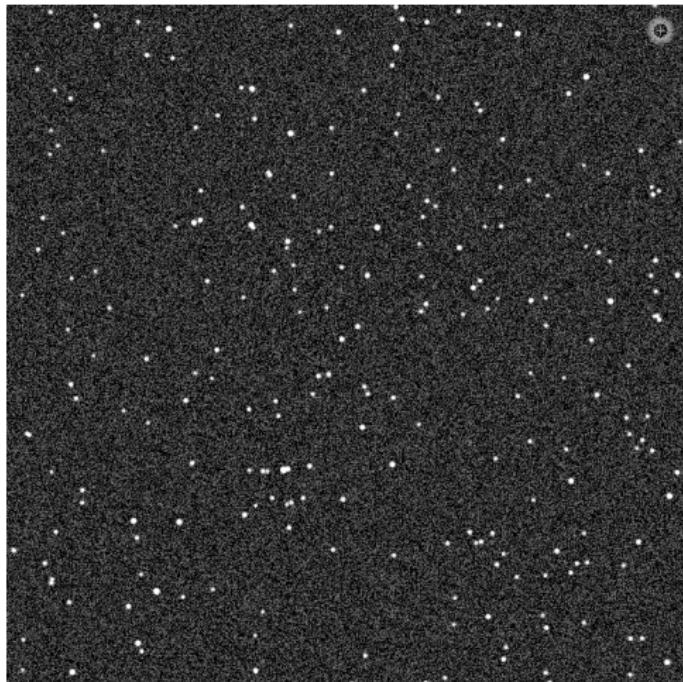
Purpose

"My hovercraft is full of eels"

- Testing of algorithms (calibration, grow-curves)
- Modelling of atmospheric effects (seeing, extinction)
- Colour transformations of filters (not completed yet)
- Light curves of variable stars
- Photon rate prediction
- Inspecting unexpected problems

PSF by Gauss

Space Quality

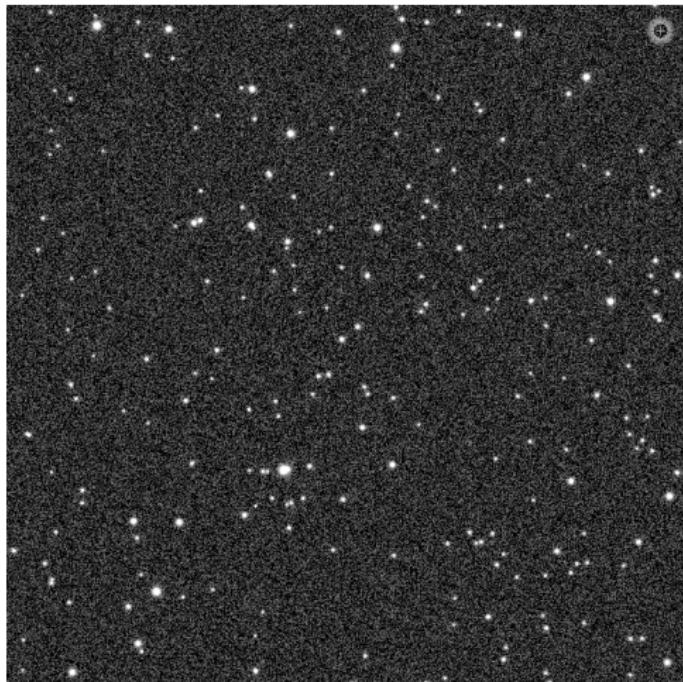


$$e^{-r^2/2r_0^2}$$

r_0 is half width
at half of
maximum of a
point spread
function (PSF)

Moffat's PSF

Photographic Quality

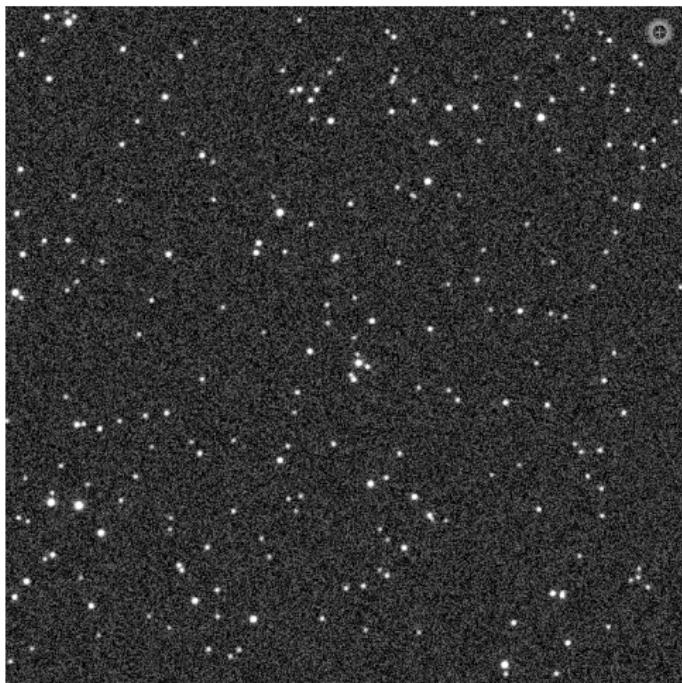


$$\frac{1}{(1 + r^2/r_0^2)^{-\beta}}$$

$$0 < \beta < \infty$$
$$\beta \neq 1$$

Seeing

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Astronomical_seeing



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Convolution For Seeing

Seeing Spread Function

- Airy function (r is star centre distance):

$$I_A = \frac{J_1^2(r)}{r^2}.$$

- Seeing spread model:

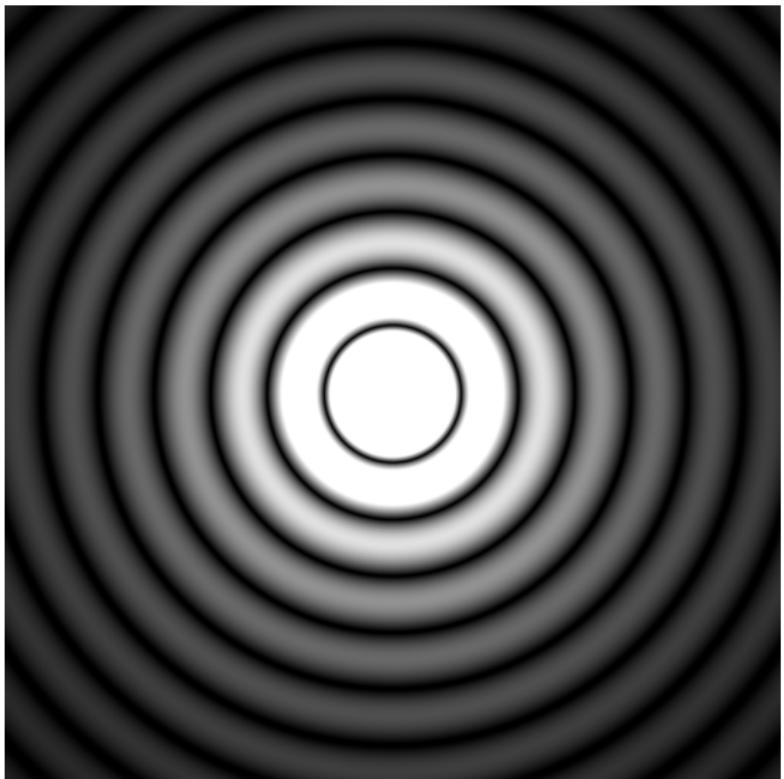
$$I_S = e^{-(x^2+y^2)/2r_s^2},$$

- Convolution of them:

$$I_S * I_A = I(u, v) = \int I_S(x - u, y - v) \cdot I_A(x, y) dx dy$$

Airy Function

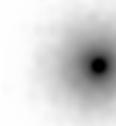
$$J_1^2(r)/r^2$$



Methods Of Convolution

FFT Being Faster Atmosphere

- Random shift of Airy disk and accumulation:



- Direct convolution (duration 2h)

$$h_{ij} = \sum_{kl} g_{k-i,l-j} f_{kl}, \quad i,j = 1, \dots$$

- Fast Fourier Transformation (duration 20s)

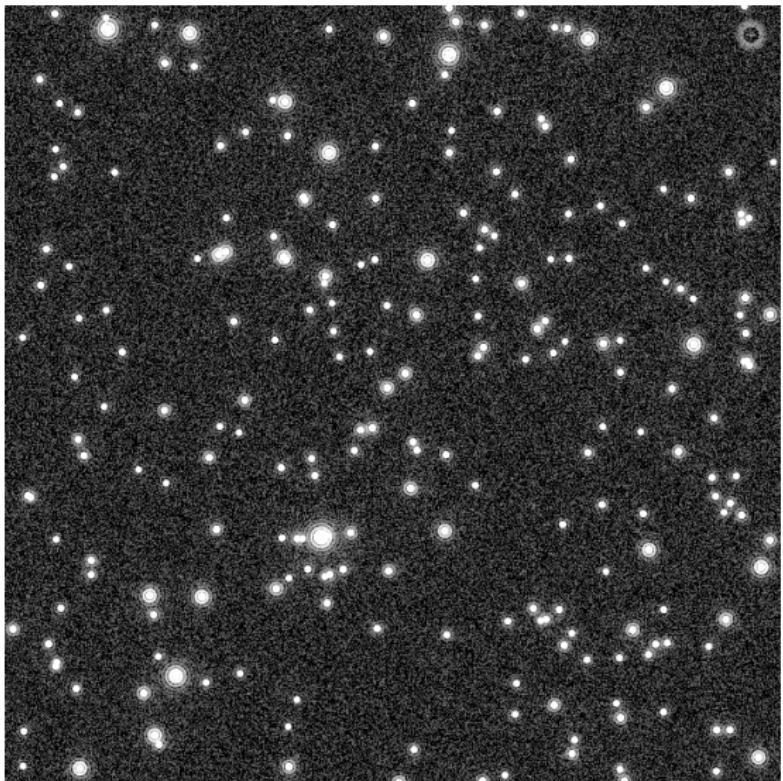
$$\mathcal{F}(u) = \int f(x) e^{2\pi i x u} dx$$

$$h(x) = \int g(u - x) f(u) du \quad \equiv \quad \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{F} \cdot \mathcal{G}, h = \mathcal{H}^{-1}$$

$$h(x) = \int \mathcal{F}(u) \cdot \mathcal{G}(u) e^{-2\pi i x u} du$$

Virgin Diffraction

$\emptyset = 14 \text{ cm}$

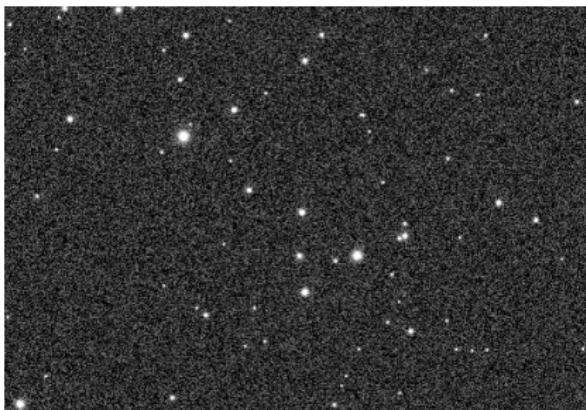


Frames Of Blazar 0716+71

A Cruel Reality

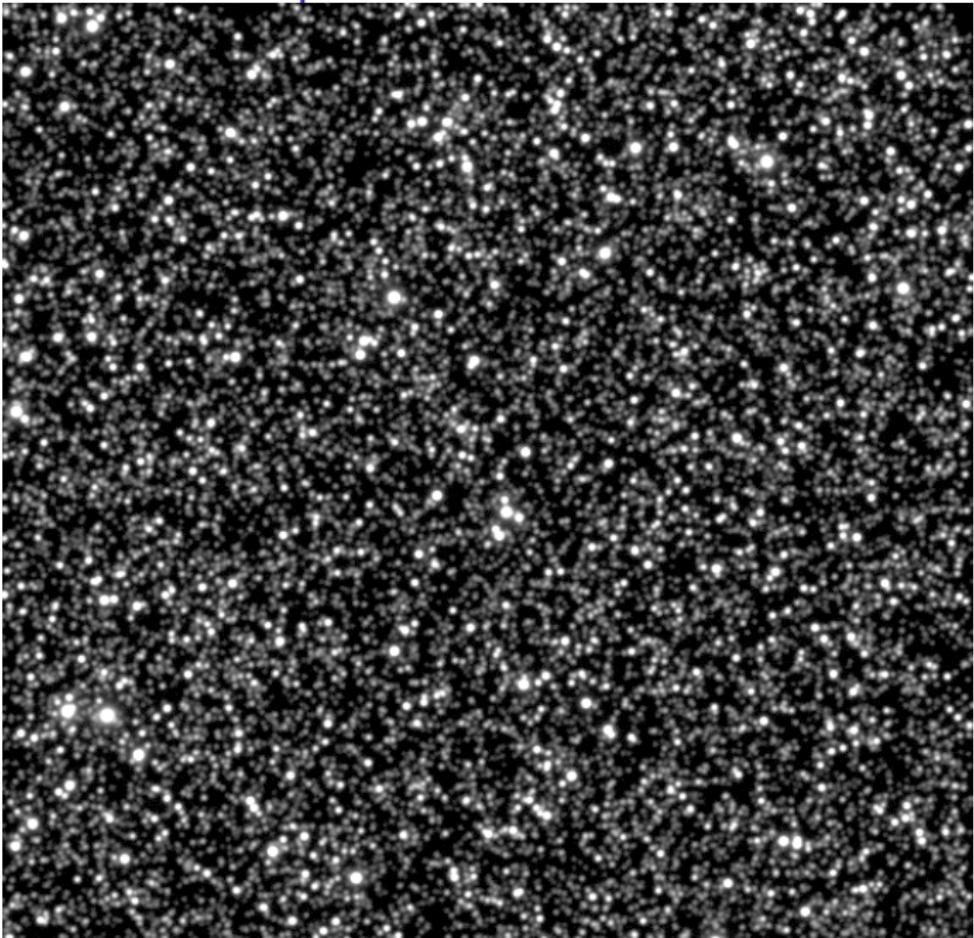


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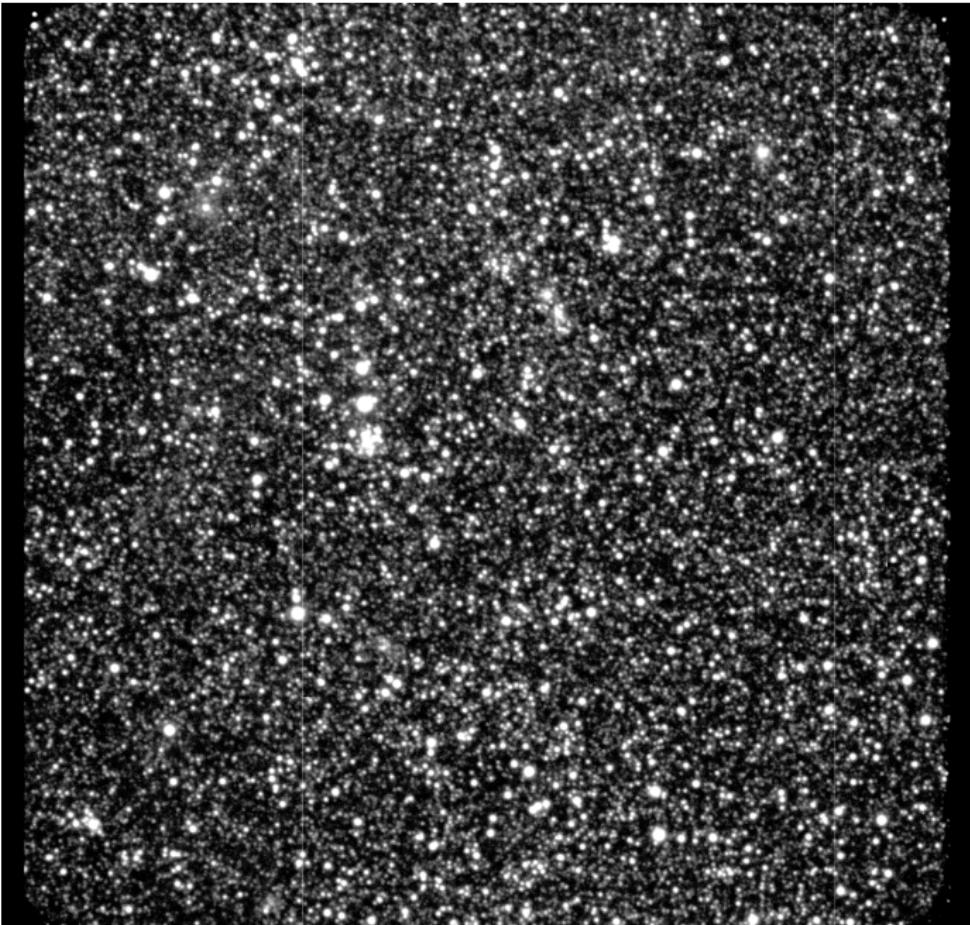


Artificial

Artificial Deep Field

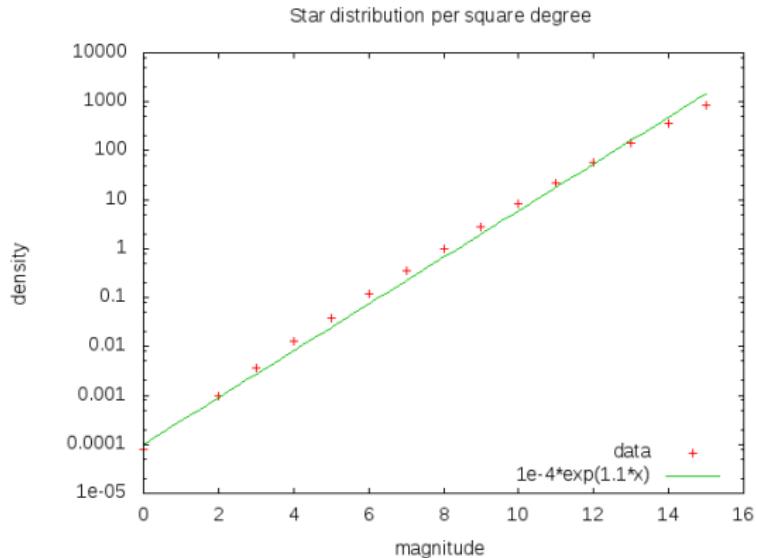


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Star distribution

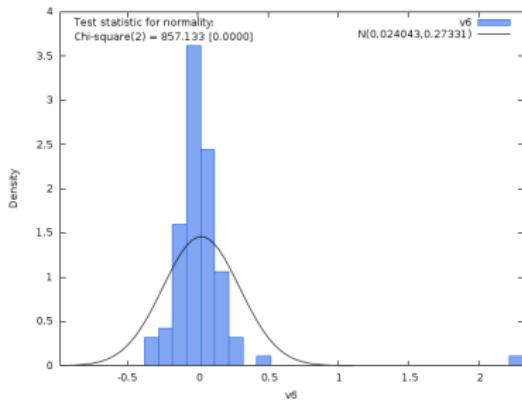
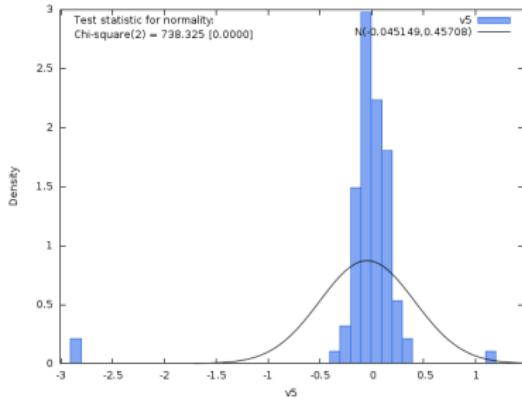
<http://www.astronomycafe.net/qadir/q1257.html>



$$\Sigma(m) = 10^{-4} e^{1.1m} [\square^2]$$

Precision Of Astrometry

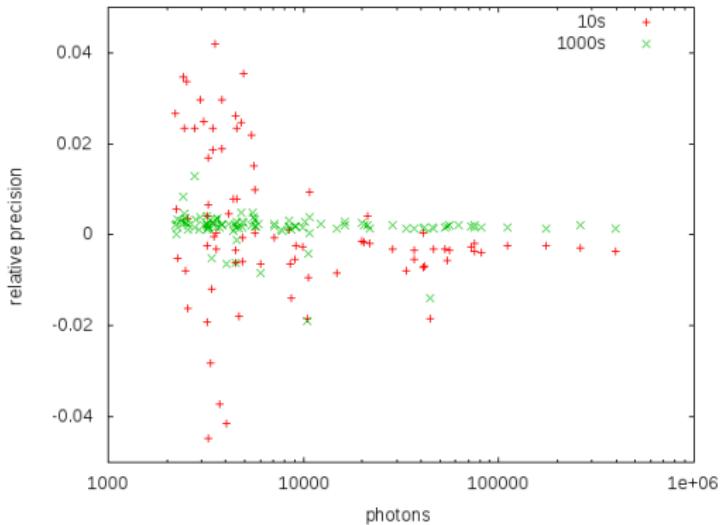
RMS = 83 mas



- sign test (total, RA+, Dec+): 94/47.0, 45 ± 3.4 ,

Photometry

Systematic Error Beats Random Ones



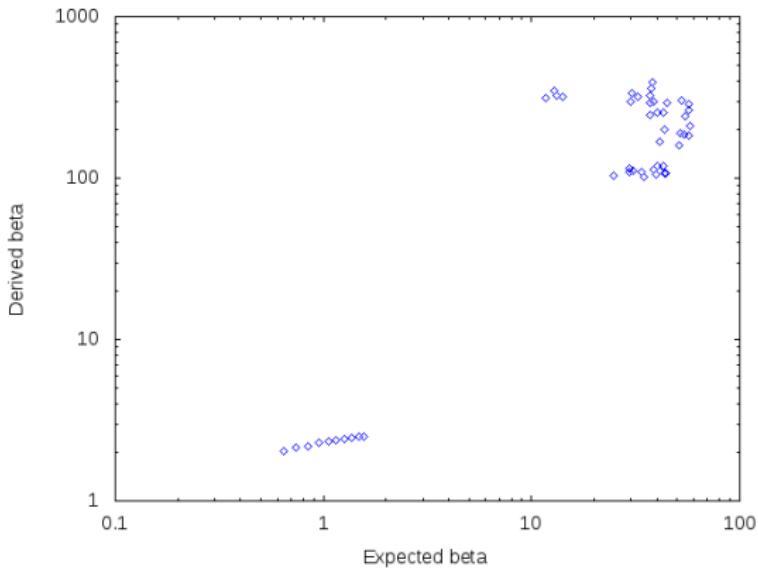
Relative photon rates:

$$1.0881 \pm 7 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ (1000 s)}, 1.0895 \pm 3 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ (10 s)}$$

$$1.0362 \pm 2 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ (10 s, grow)}$$

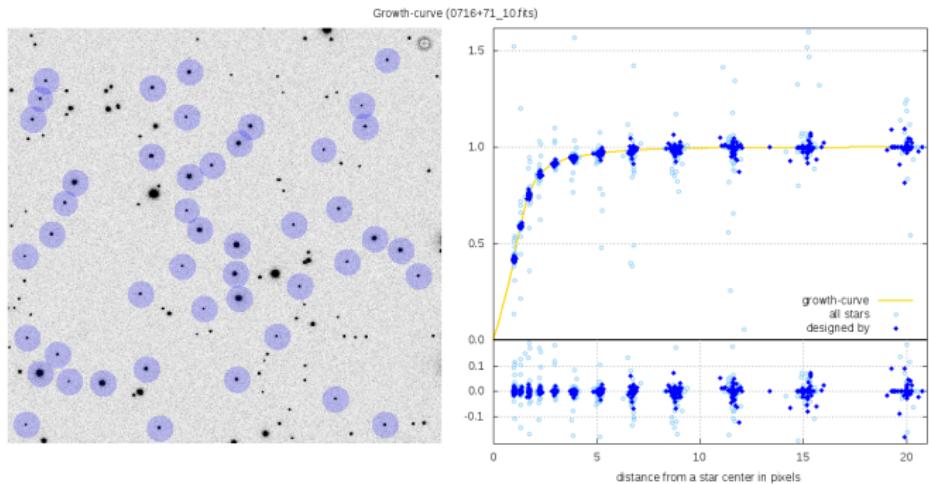
Moffat's bifurcation

Sigmoid Curve Secret



Growth Curve

The Cure Of Aperture Photometry



Modelling Atmosphere

The Starry Night By Vincent van Gogh's

- Airmass (z zenith distance):

$$X = \frac{1}{\cos z}$$

- Extinction (scattering, absorption):

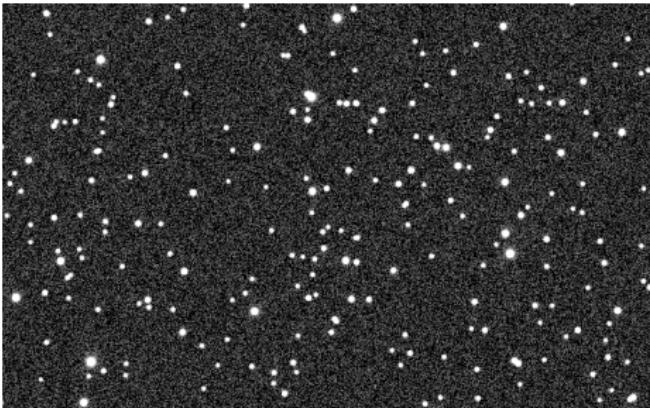
$$F(X) = F_0 e^{-kX}$$

- Seeing (Mr. Fries theory):

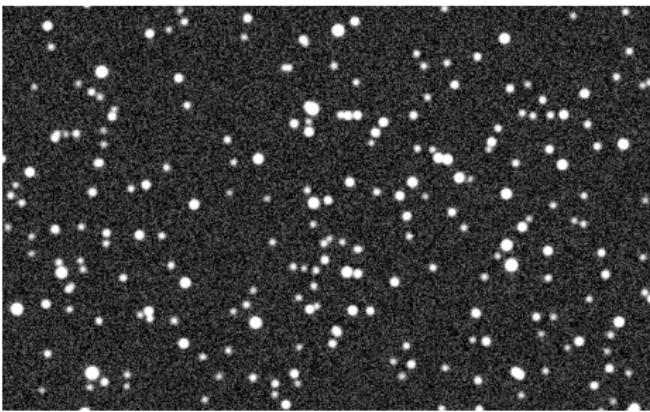
$$r_0 \propto X^{0.6}$$

Seeing spread

Airmasses $X = 1, 3$



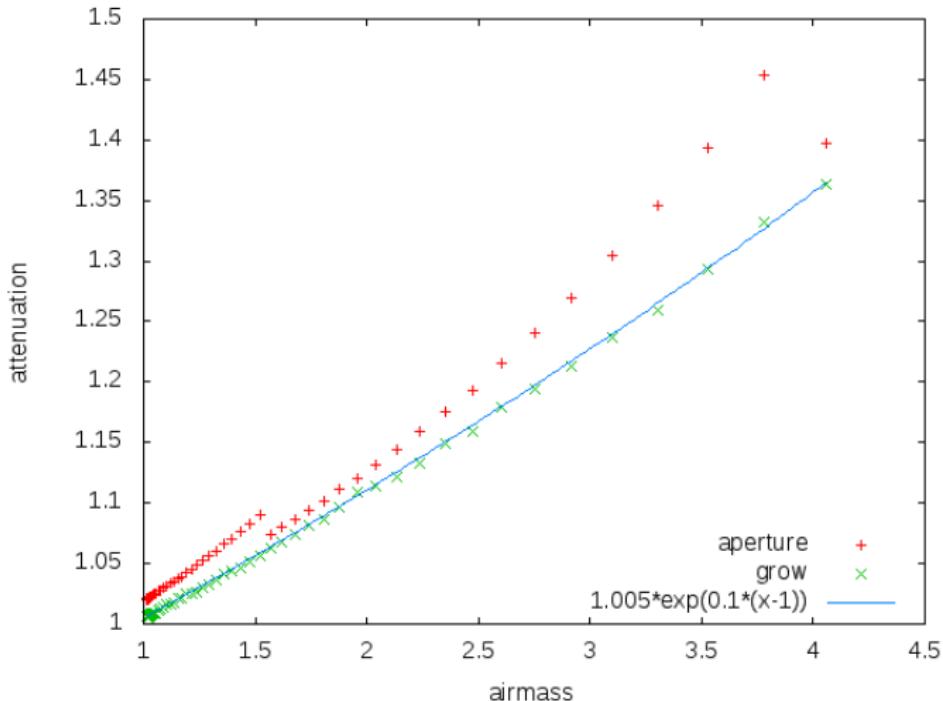
(zenith)



(20° above horizon)

Extinction curve for $k = 0.1$

Aperture overflow



The End

This Is The End

Consider This As The End Of ...

Thank You Very Much

<http://www.physics.muni.cz/~hroch/artific.pdf>