





Plans for ML Applications in AMPEL

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Why use ML in AMPEL?



- New telescopes like LSST will greatly increase transient detection capabilities.
- However, spectroscopic follow up capabilities of these sources has not increased at the same rate.
- ML automatization of the detection process from photometric data is a good solution for this problem.
- Supernova cosmology surveys with LSST should provide a large amount of samples for ML model training.



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Current use of ML in AMPEL: ANNz2





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Future applications: ML and streams

- The most direct and information-rich way to interpret astronomical transient data is as alert streams.
- This would imply giving a ML model dynamic data as input, instead of a set of static data.
- Training a model in this setup becomes the challenge.
 - One could "un-stream" the data after receiving and saving it, and later treat it as if were static training data.
 - However, it would be desirable to train a model directly over the data stream by using a process which involves incremental learning.

Naïve approach for ML training with streams



ML and streams: batch vs example



block #k+l

block #k

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Future steps



- Set up a benchmark of classification results (scores) with commonly used ML models over static light curve feature data.
 - For this we are planning to use Redshift Completeness Factor (RCF) real light curve data as a training set.
 - Fit and estimate parameters of transients with appropriate tools (e.g. MOSFIT).
- Adapt the current models for running as part of an incremental learning framework that receives transient alert data as input.
- Compare the results between the original benchmark and running the models over the same training set in a streamed form.
- Integrate the model to the AMPEL system and evaluate its performance.

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