

# EXPLORING NON-PARAMETRIC MORPHOLOGICAL FEATURES OF ELLIPTICAL, SPIRAL AND LENTICULAR GALAXIES IN S-PLUS

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# GALAXY MORPHOLOGY

The study of galaxy structure through galaxy images.

- Image processing tools that allow extracting quantitative information from galaxy images;
- investigate how the light is distributed in it;
- provide clues regarding differences between elliptical, spiral and lenticular galaxies;
- create a parameter space to identify them;

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## Galaxy Classes and Galaxy Zoo

### S-PLUS Galaxy Data set

- imaging data from Stripe82-DR1, comprising about  $\sim 12\,000$  galaxies;
- they were given by (Nakazono et. al, 2021) classification using  $\text{prob\_gal} > 0.6$ ;
- and a magnitude cut of  $r_{\text{petro}} < 17$ ;

- GZ provides classification for  $\sim 8500$  of the 12K galaxies: 14% Elliptical, 34% Spiral, 52% Uncertain class;
- the lenticular class galaxy list was constructed by making a multi-step analysis:
  1. selection of  $\text{prob\_S0} > 0.6$  &  $T\text{-Type} \in [-2.5, 0.5]$  candidates in GZ;
  2. from Item 1, take only low  $\text{prob\_E}$  and  $\text{prob\_S}$  from (Bom et al., 2021);
  3. make a visual inspection of remaining objects in Item 2.



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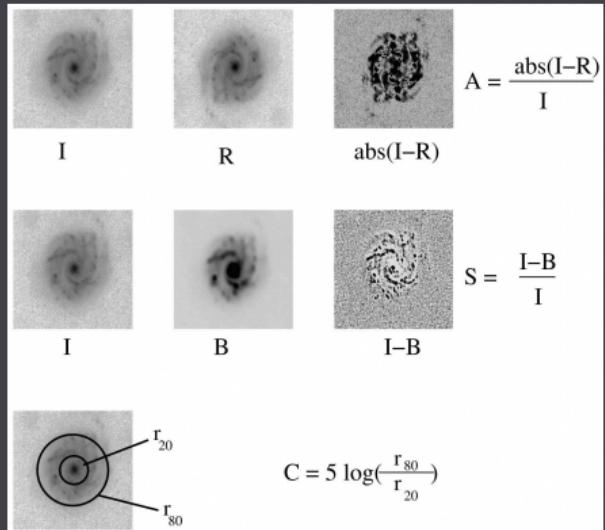
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# NON-PARAMETRIC GALAXY MORPHOLOGY

## CAS System and Beyond

- Standard Measurements: Concentration  $C$ , smoothness  $S$ , asymmetry  $A$ , Gini  $G$ ; momentum  $M_{20}$ ;
- Additional quantities: entropy  $H$ , spirality  $\sigma_\psi$ ; kurvature  $\kappa$ ; fractional radius  $R_{\%i}$ ;
- curvature metrics: area  $A_k$ , median of curvature  $\langle \kappa \rangle$ ;



**Figure 1:** CAS-System. Adapted from ([Conselice, 2014](#)).

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**Morfometryka:** Automated approach to compute these quantities before mentioned.

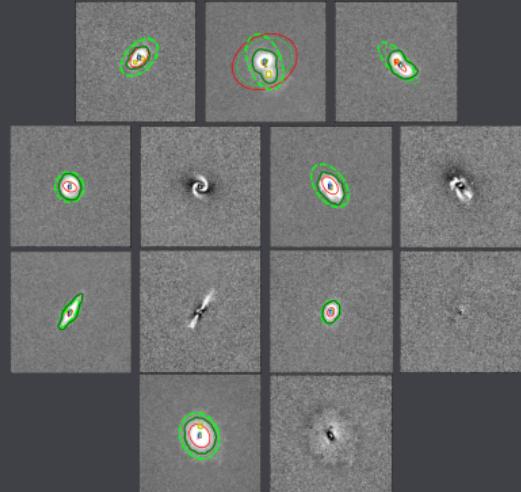
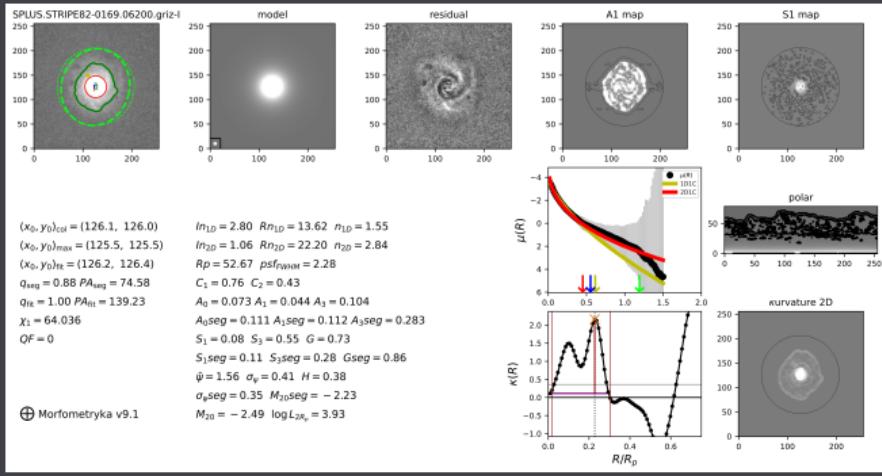
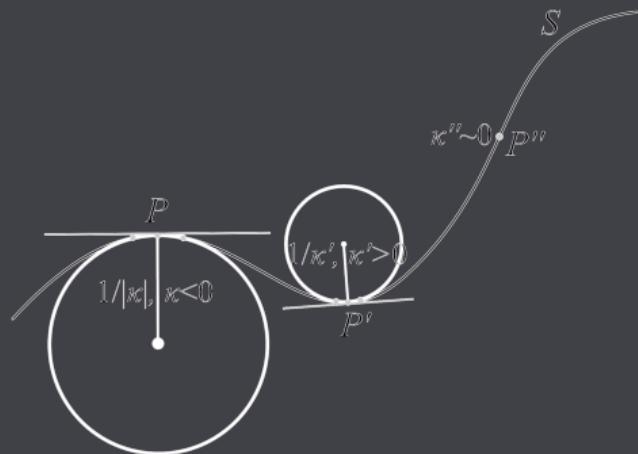


Figure 2: (Ferrari et al., 2015)

# NON-PARAMETRIC GALAXY MORPHOLOGY

## Curvature Approach

$$\tilde{\kappa}(R) \propto \frac{d^2\nu}{d\chi^2}, \quad d\chi = \frac{dR}{2R_p} \quad \rightarrow \quad \chi \in [0, 1] \quad (1)$$



$$\nu = \frac{\log[I(R)] - \min(\log I)}{\max(\log I) - \min(\log I)} \quad \in [0, 1] \quad (2)$$

$$\tilde{\kappa}(R) = 4R_p^2 \frac{d\nu^2}{dR^2} \left[ 1 + 4R_p^2 \left( \frac{d\nu}{dR} \right)^2 \right]^{-3/2} \quad (3)$$

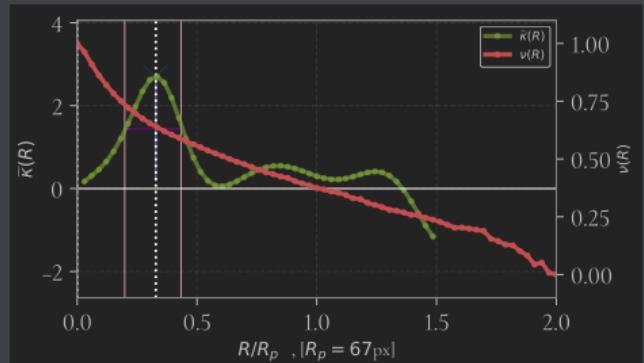


Figure 3: Adapted from (Lucatelli and Ferrari, 2019).

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## Curvature Metrics

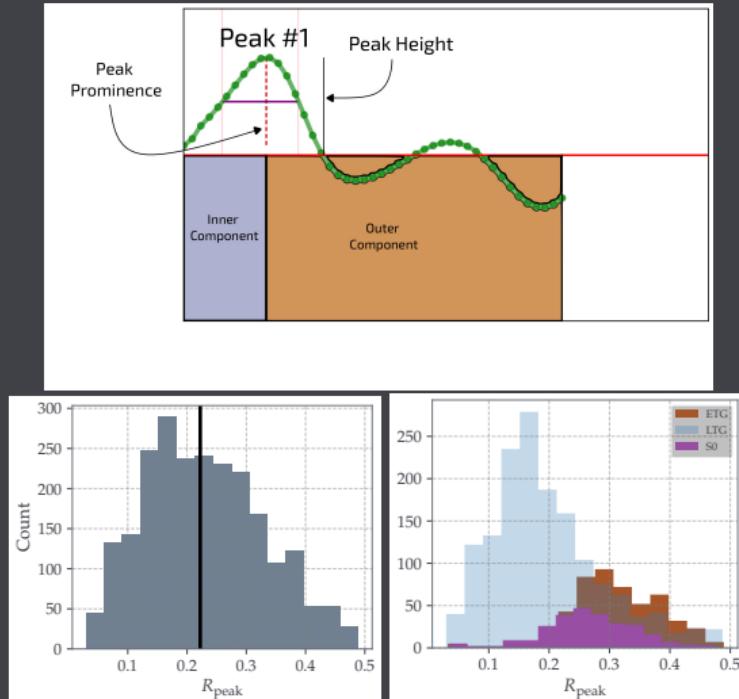


Figure 4: Curvature peaks distribution.

- curvature peak allows to split a galaxy into two regions: **inner** and **outer**;
- median radial position where the peaks are found:  $\langle R_{\text{peak}} \rangle \simeq 0.22 \times (2R_p)$
- with this, we can calculate metrics for each region.

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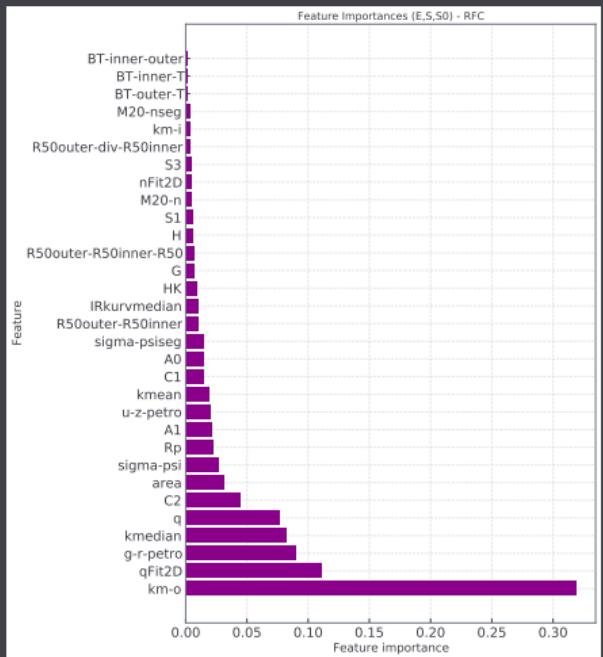
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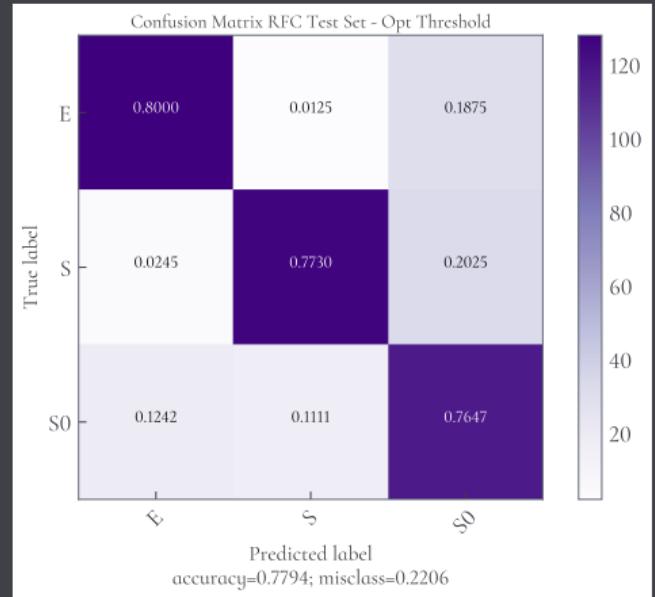
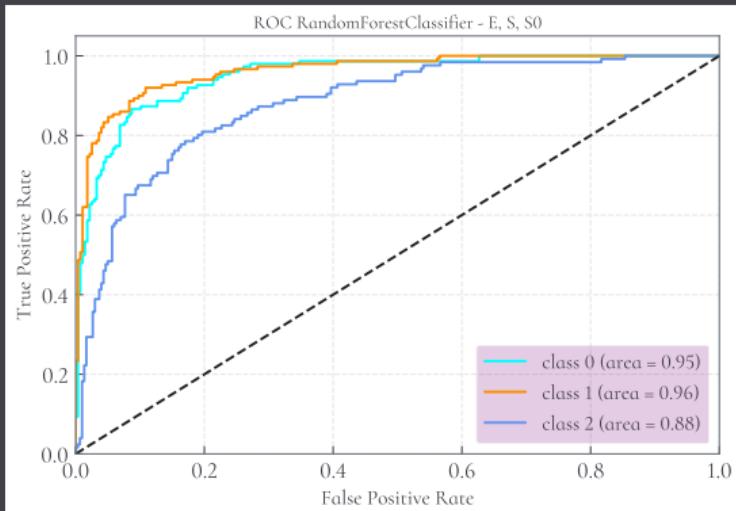
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## Features for the Random Forest

- Machine Learning is a practical way to deal with large data sets and classification purposes;
- we combine all available measurements performed by MFMTK with Machine Learning;



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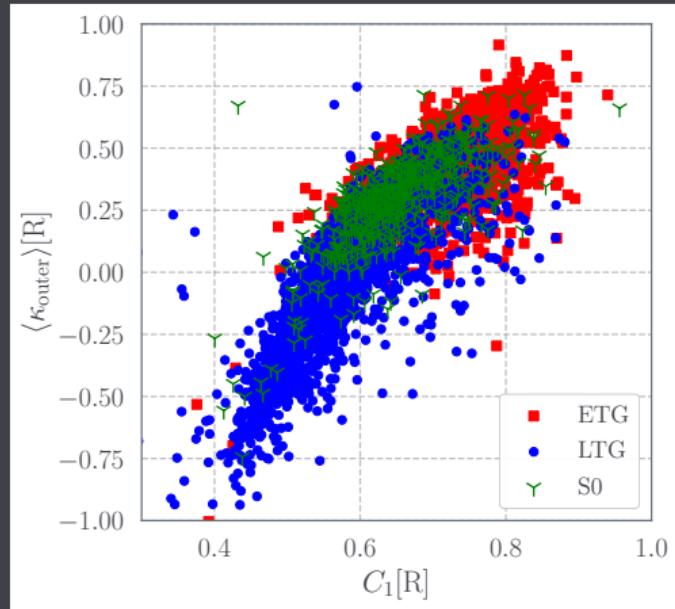
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- Diagnostic Diagrams

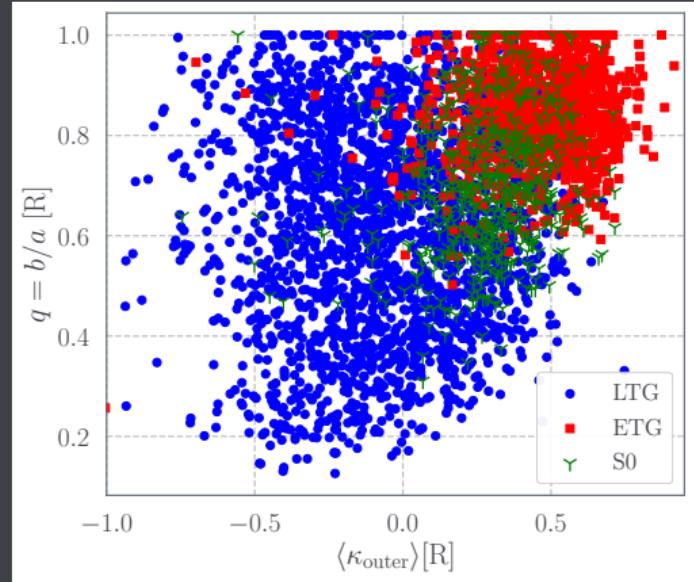
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## RESULTS: DIAGNOSTIC DIAGRAMS

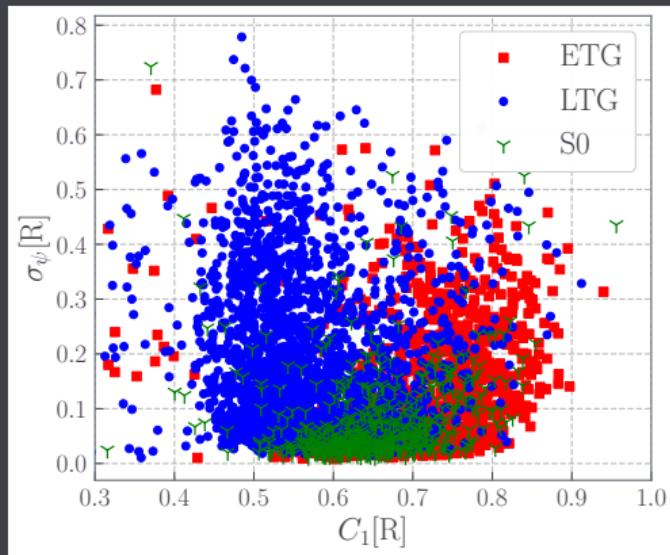


**Figure 5:** Mean values of outer-region curvatures vs concentration  $C_1$ .

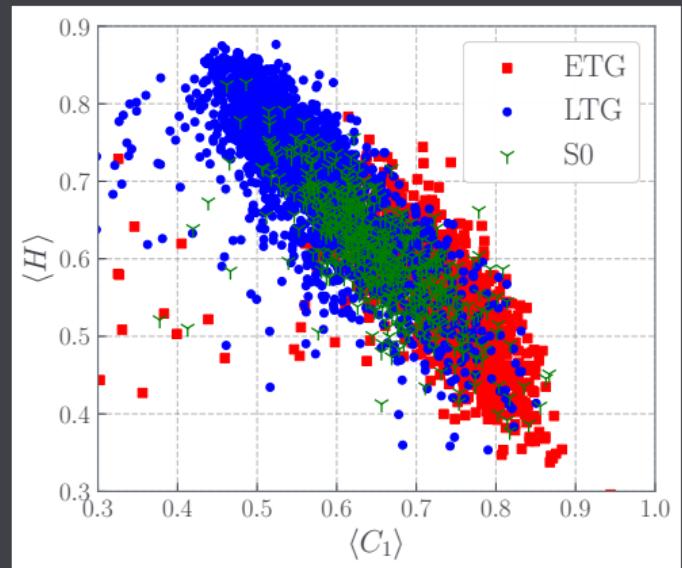


**Figure 6:** Entropy  $H$  vs concentration  $C_1$  – averaged in all filters.

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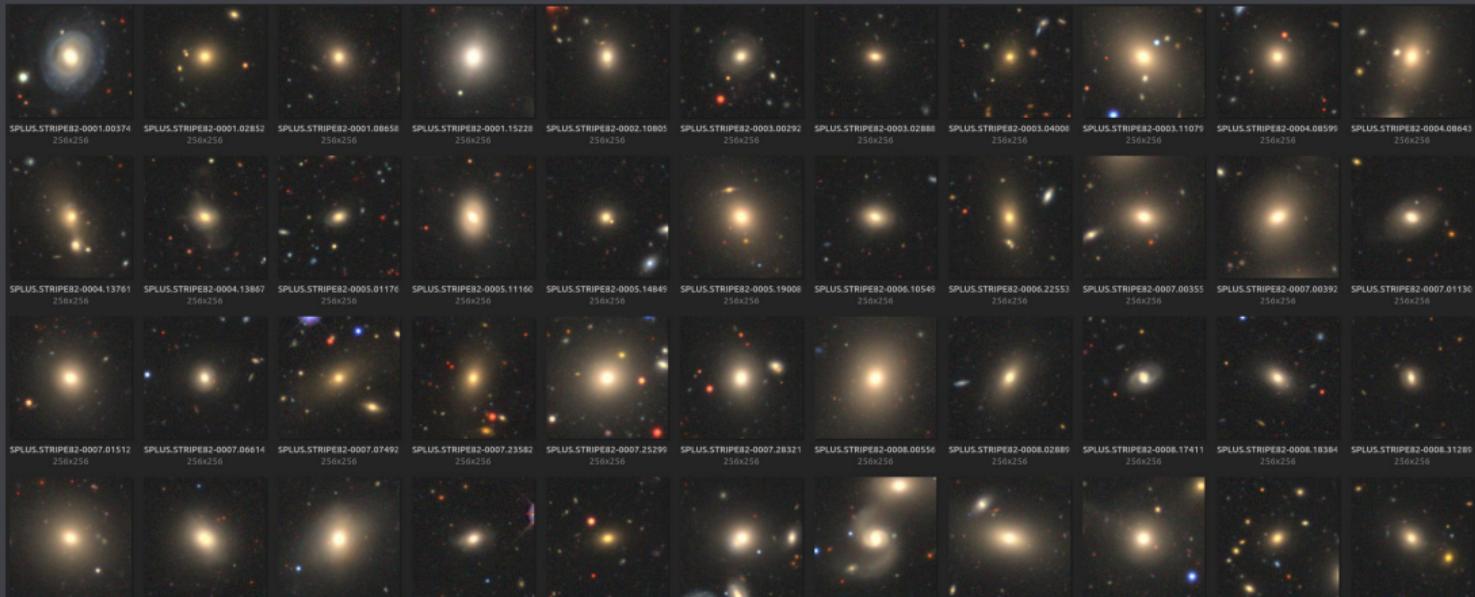
**Figure 7:** Spirality  $\sigma_\psi$  vs concentration  $C_1$ .



**Figure 8:** Entropy  $H$  vs concentration  $C_1$  – averaged in all filters.

# RESULTS: PREDICTIONS IN BLIND SET

## Elliptical



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## Spiral



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## Lenticular



## SIMILARITY BETWEEN S0 AND LTG



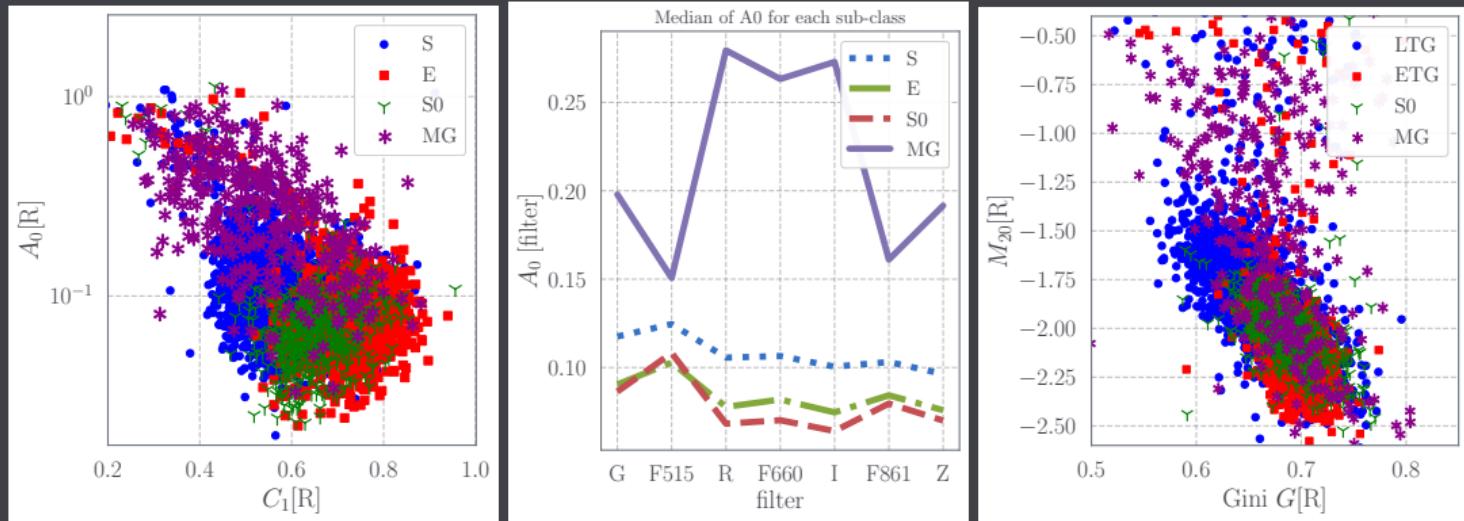
**Figure 9:** Spiral galaxies with smooth spiral arms resembling lenticular galaxies.

## SIMILARITY BETWEEN S0 AND ETG



Figure 10: Lenticular galaxies resembling elliptical galaxies.

## RESULTS: INCLUDING MERGERS



**Figure 11:** Including merger data.

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# CONCLUSIONS

## Non-Parametric Morphology

- we have introduced new set of non-parametric quantities which demonstrated good relation between different types of galaxy morphologies ;
- combining multiple features improve our ability to distinguish properties of ETGs, LTGs and S0s.

## Classification regarding resolution

- there are smooth similarities between S0 galaxies with both ETG and LTG;
- smooth spiral features may look like disks components of S0 galaxies;
- S0 galaxies having dominant bulges and smooth disk components may look like ETG;

## Next steps

- for the paper on S0:
  - ▶ investigate the impact of individual filters for the classification.
- for the S-PLUS IDR3:
  - ▶ calculate morphological features for all galaxies in idr3;
  - ▶ predict and study all S0s galaxies in idr3;
  - ▶ investigate merging galaxies in idr3;
  - ▶ provide classifications E-S-S0-MG for all idr3 using morphological features.

THANK YOU!  
QUESTIONS?

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