

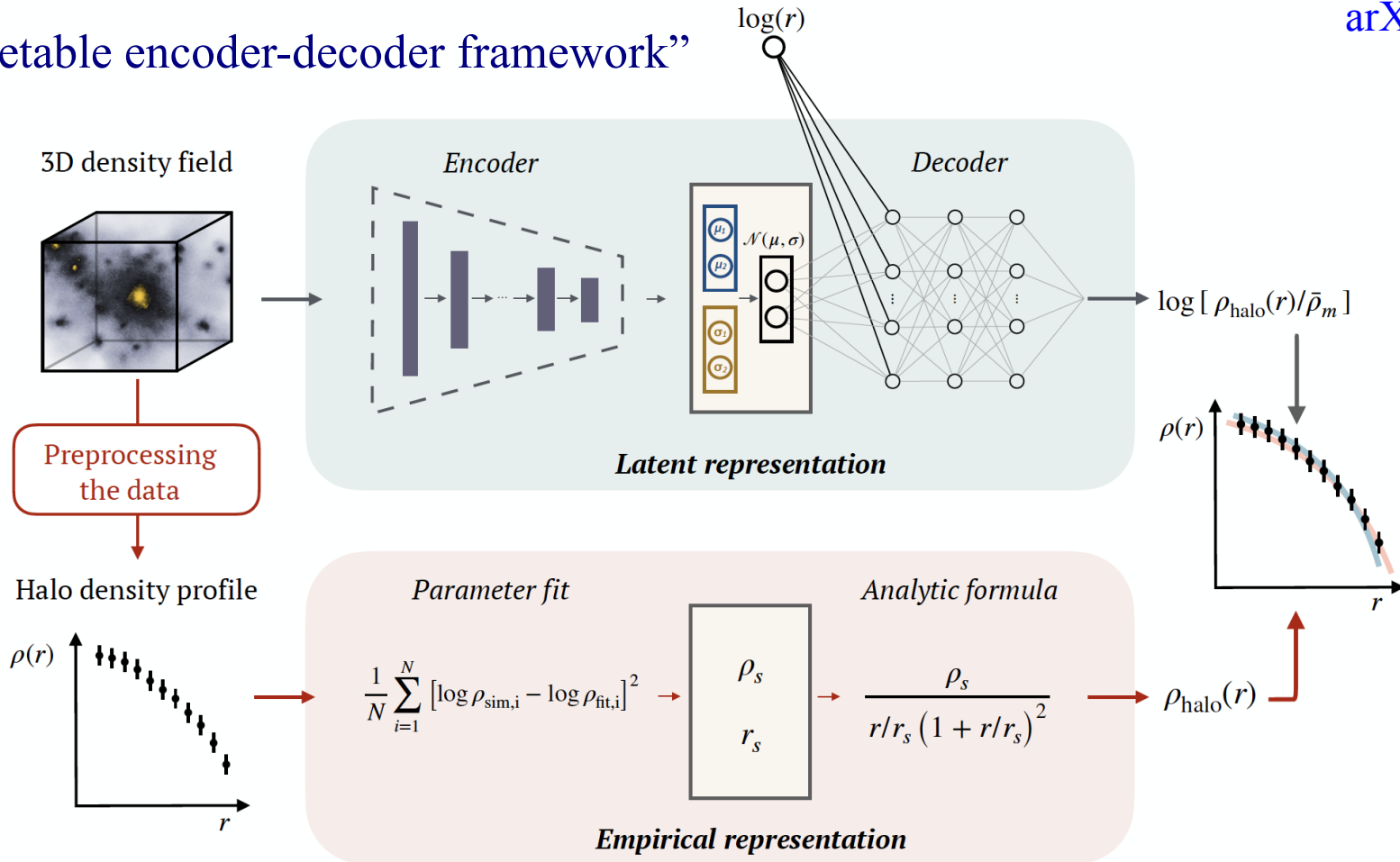
Interpretable machine learning?

Discovering the building blocks of dark matter halo density profiles with neural networks

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“An interpretable encoder-decoder framework”



Goodness of fit

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{pred}}(\boldsymbol{\rho}_{\text{true}}, \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\text{pred}}) + \beta \mathcal{D}_{\text{KL}}[p_{\phi}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x}); q(\mathbf{z})],$$

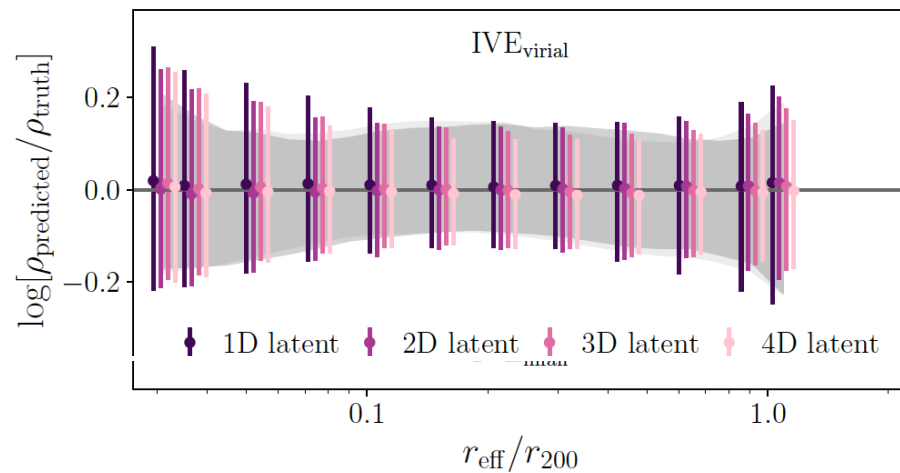
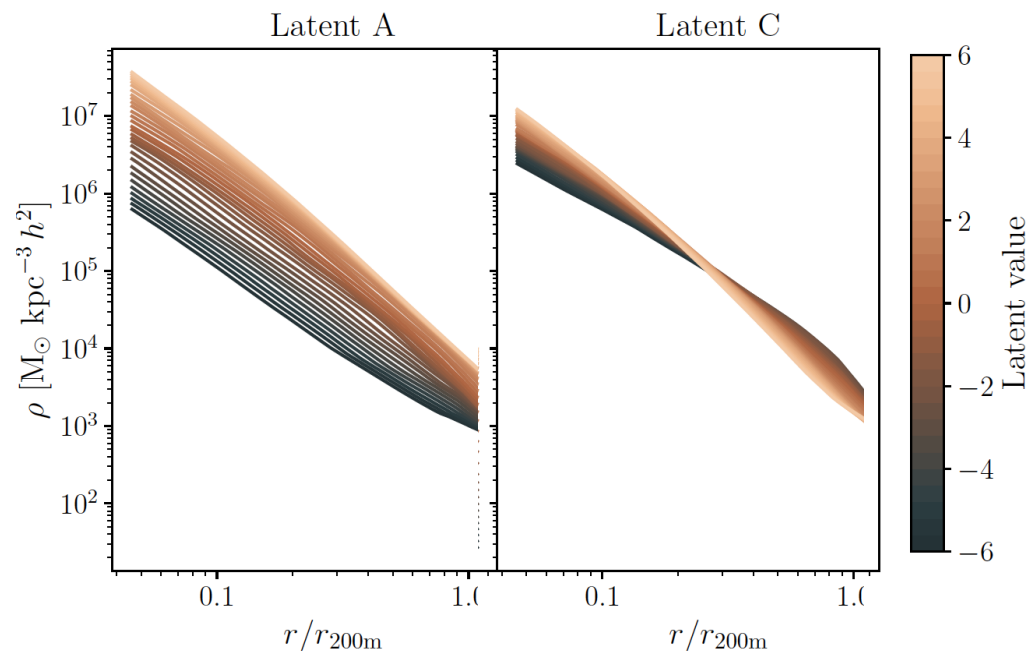
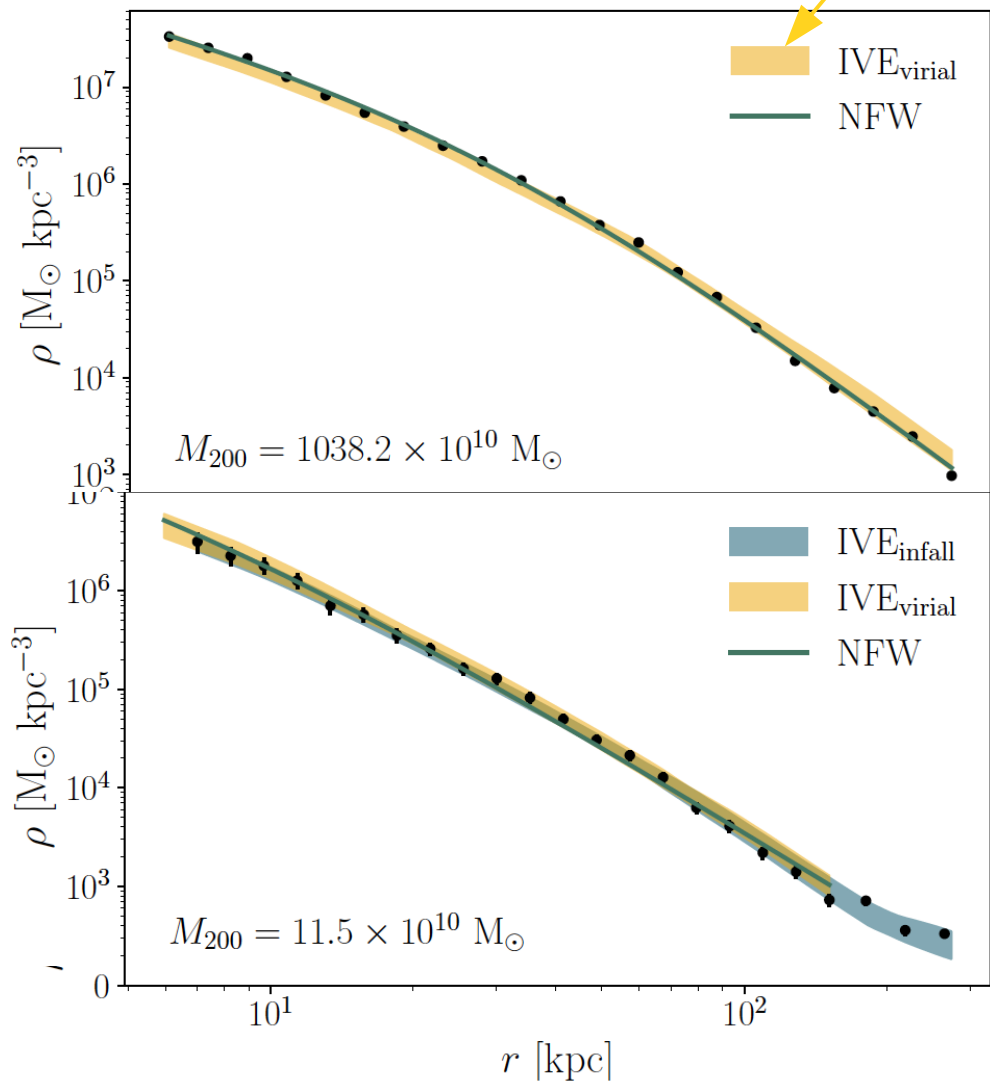
Disentanglement of latents

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{pred}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\log_{10} \rho_{i,\text{true}} - \log_{10} \rho_{i,\text{pred}})^2, \quad \mathcal{D}_{\text{KL}}(\mathcal{N}(\mu_{\mathbf{z}}, \sigma_{\mathbf{z}}); \mathcal{N}(0, 1)) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^L [1 + 2 \log \sigma_i - \mu_i^2 - \sigma_i^2].$$

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DL, $r < R_{200}$



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“Failure” is, in part, a consequence of the disentanglement requirement