

Probing Dark Energy: Theoretical Uncertainties

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Cosmic Acceleration

Modified Gravity

Dark Energy

$$H^2 - \frac{H}{r_c} = \frac{8\pi G}{3}(\rho + \rho_V)$$

Modification of Friedmann
equation (5D Gravity)

Phenomen. modification to
the GR Lagrangian

Vacuum Energy
(Cosmological Constant)

Scalar Fields
Evolving Equation of State

New Physics/Surprises?

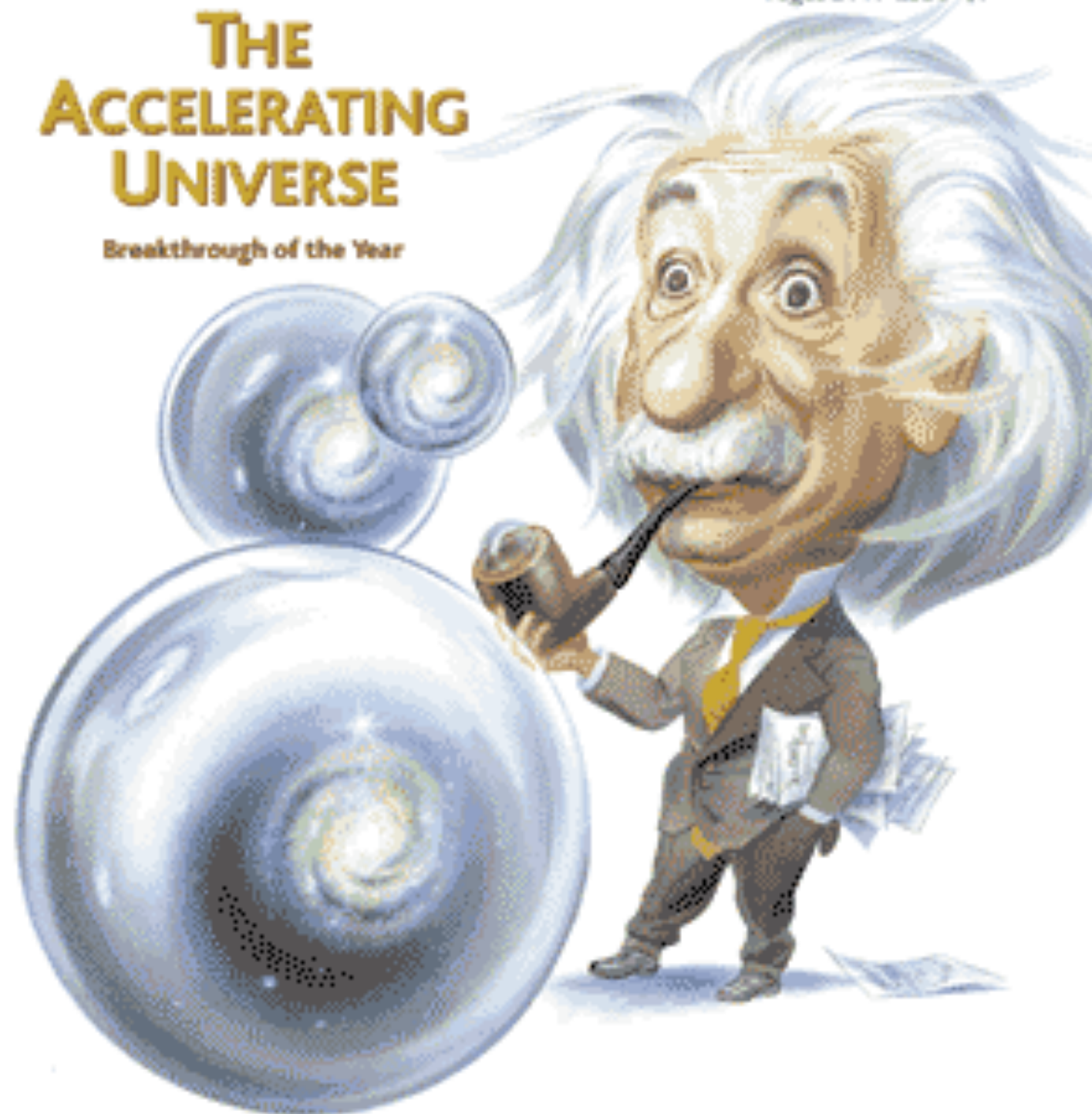
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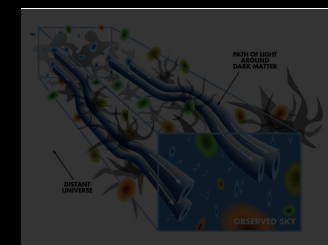
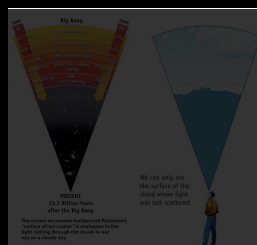
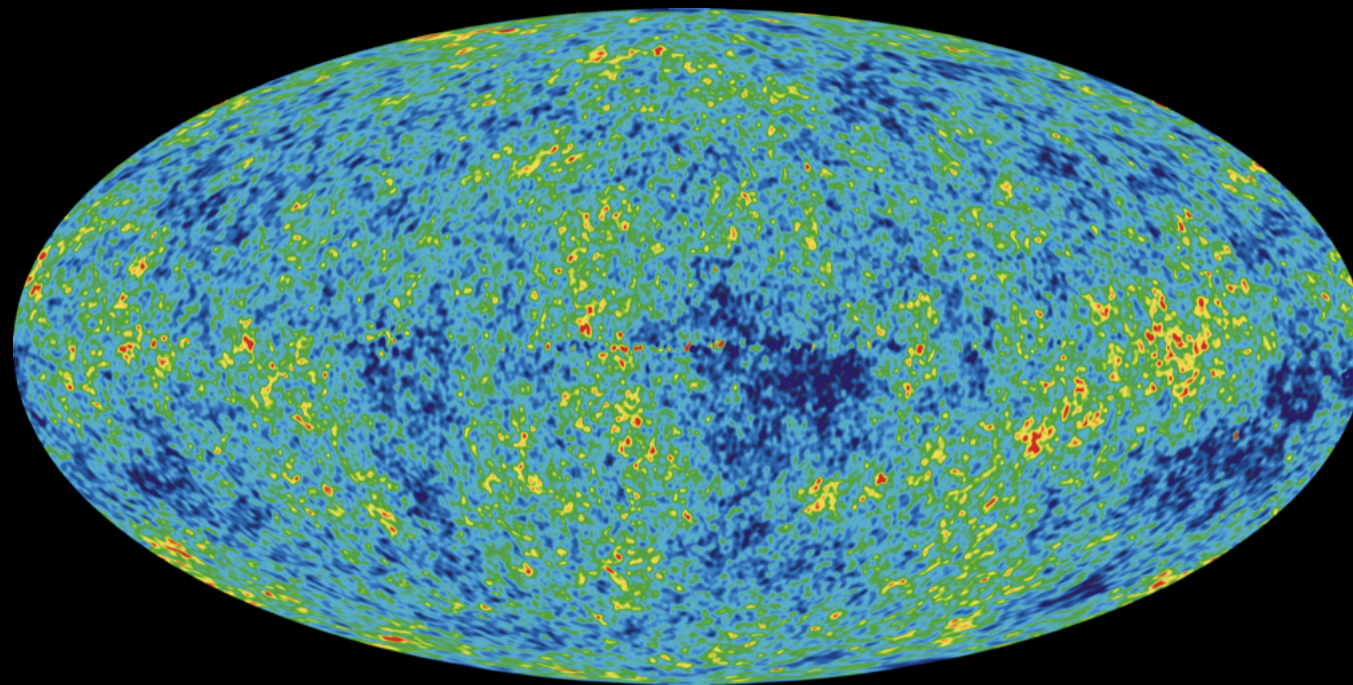
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Breakthrough of the Year

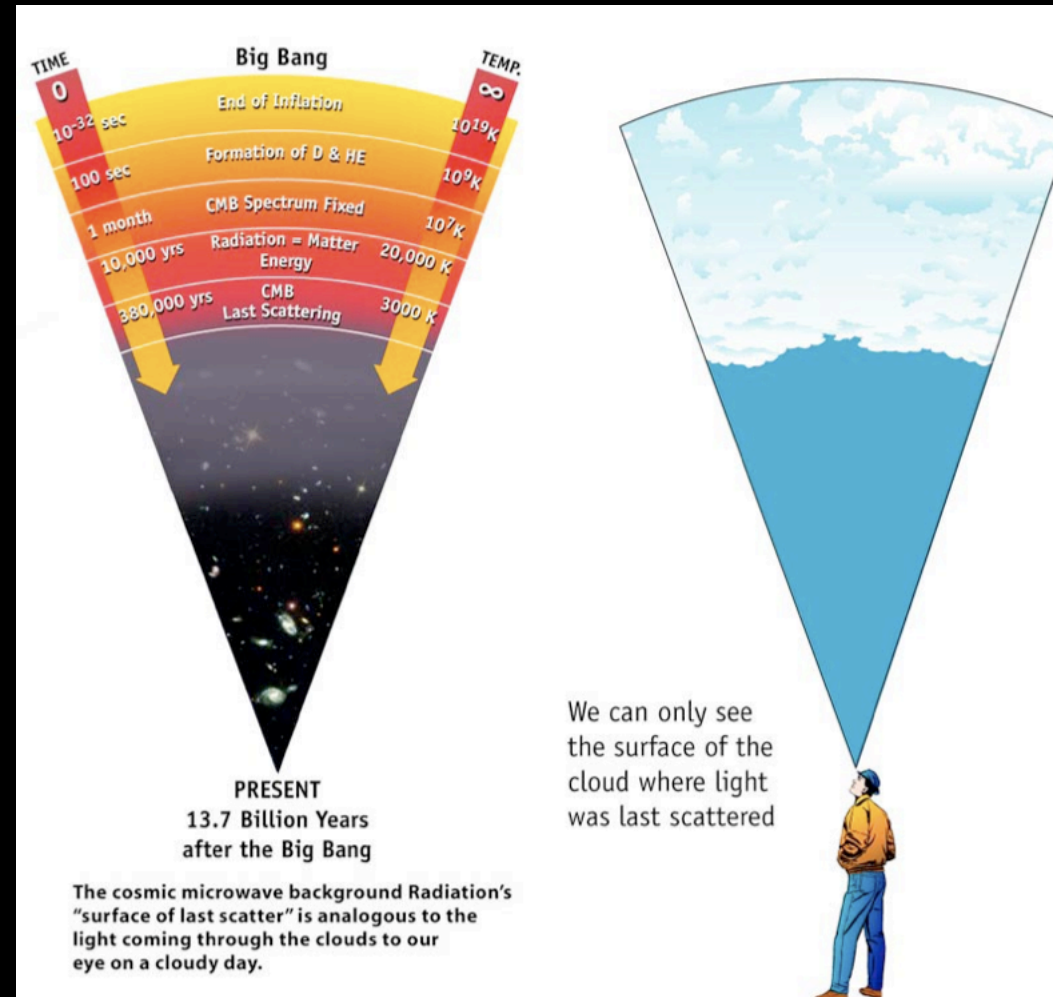


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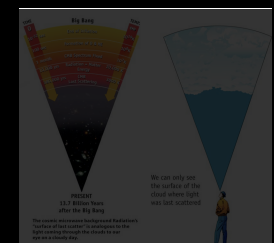
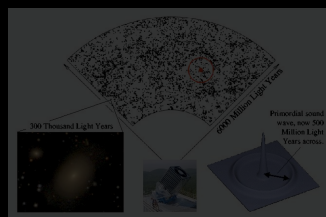
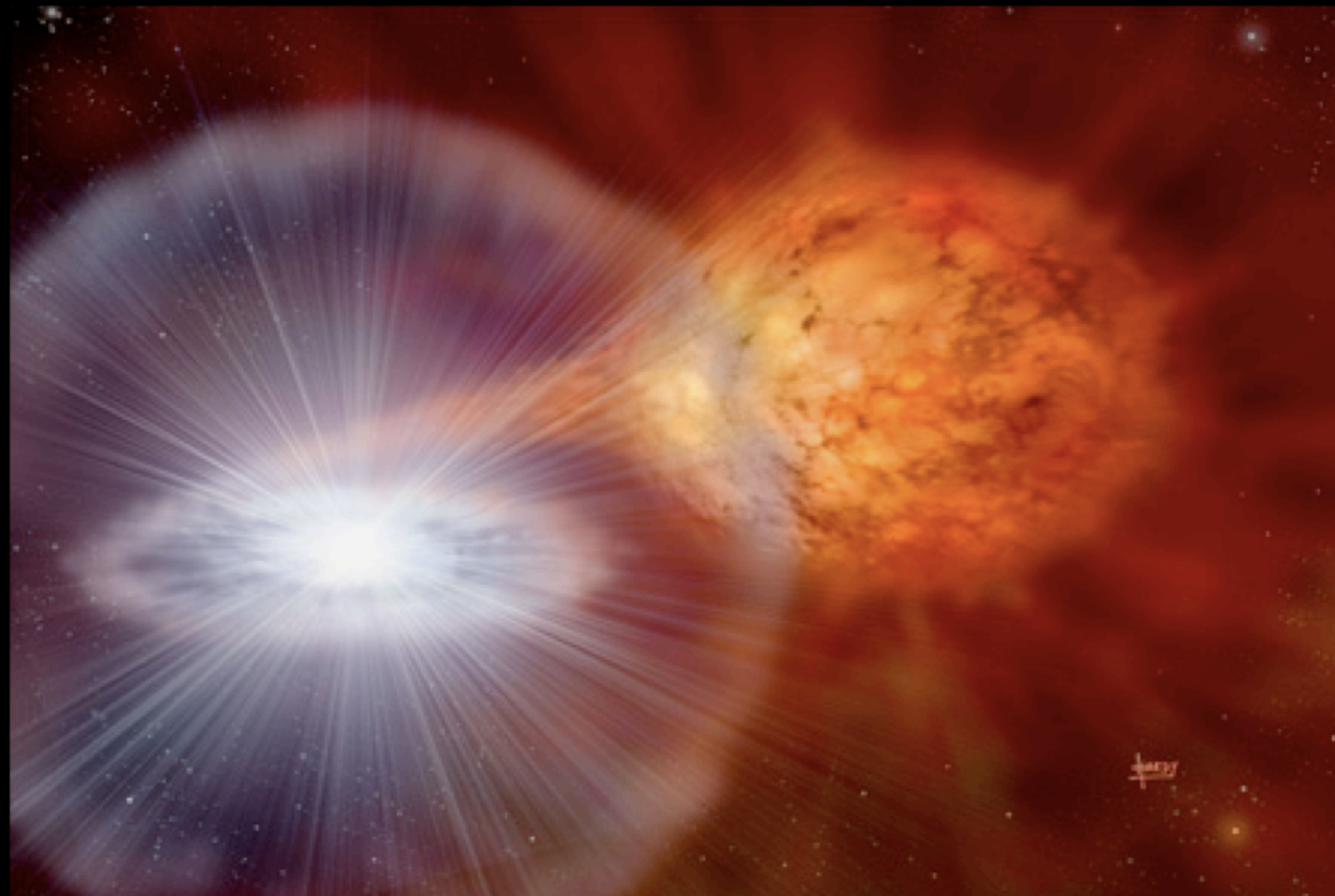
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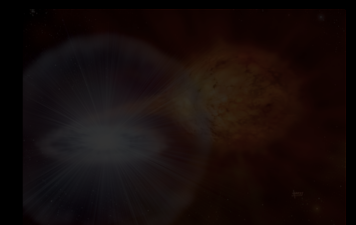
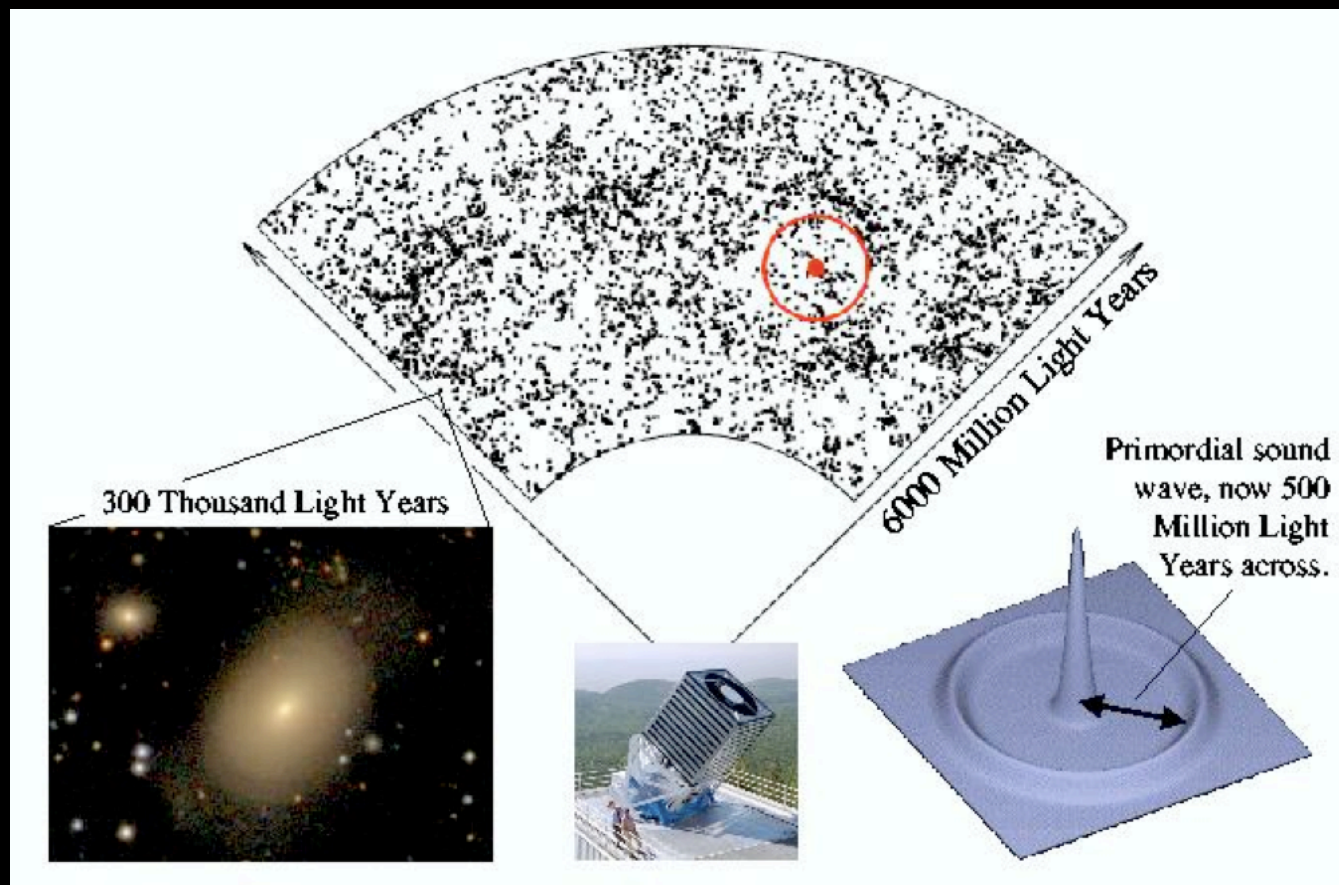
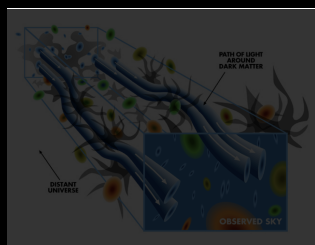
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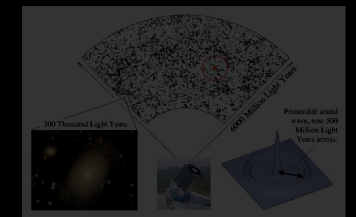
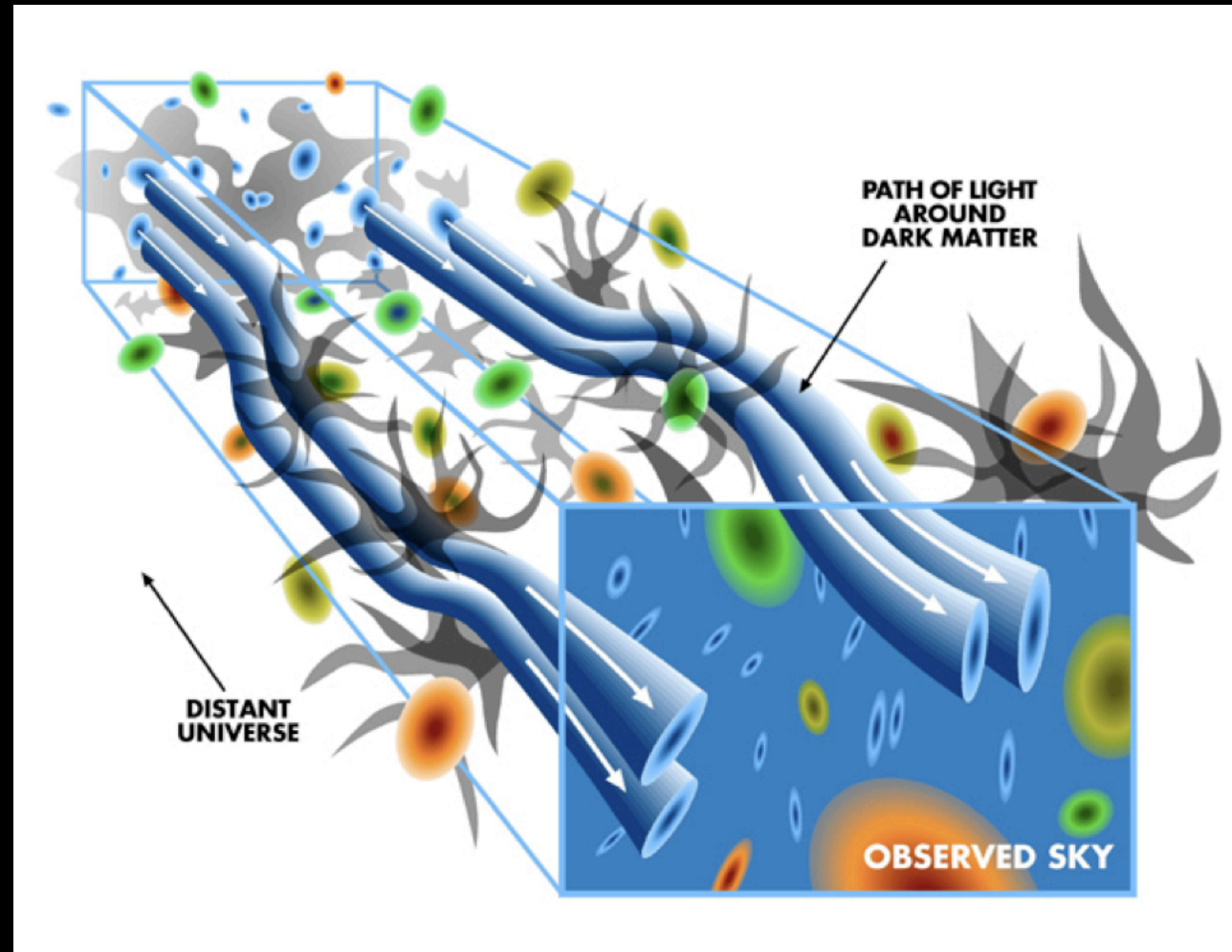
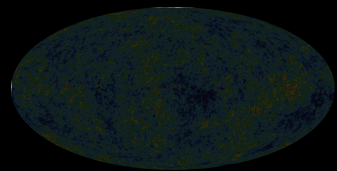
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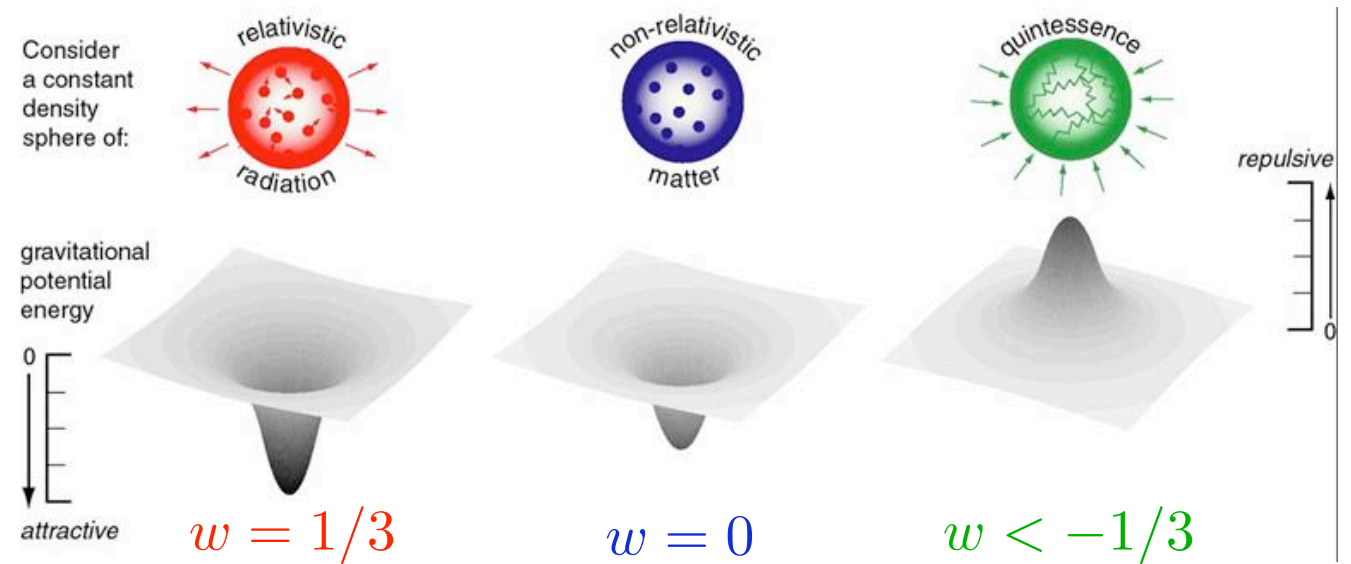
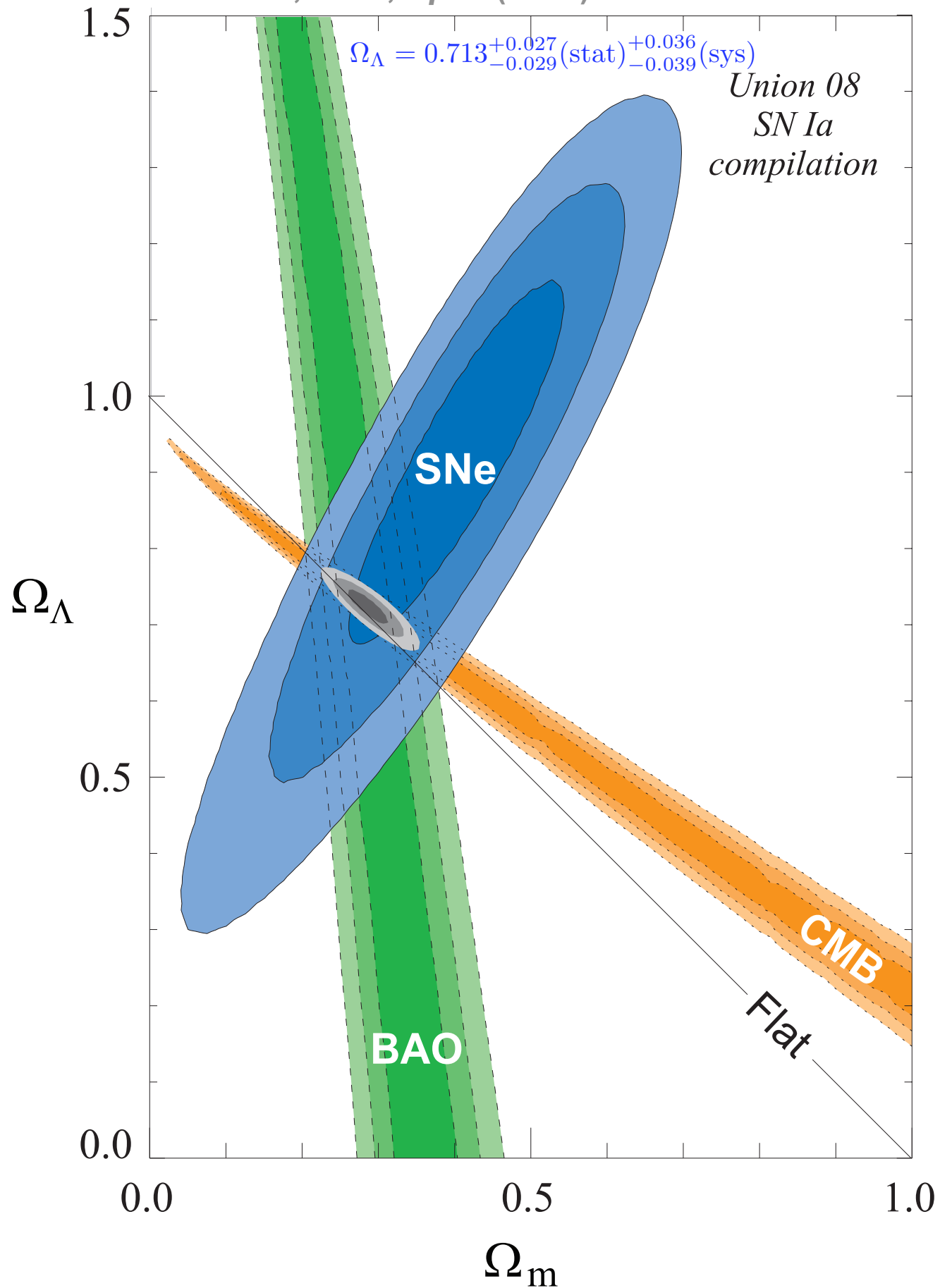
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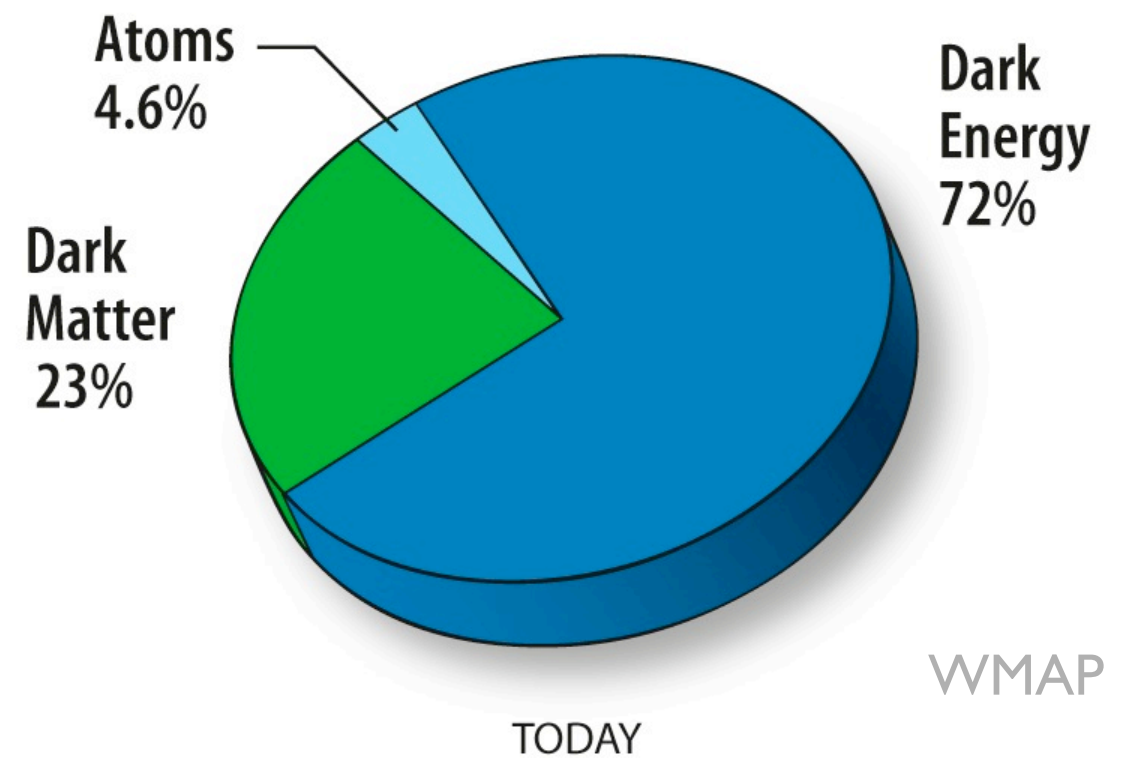
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Supernova Cosmology Project
Kowalski, et al., *Ap.J.* (2008)



$$w = p/\rho$$



Running After $w(z)$: The Stumbling Blocks

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Seeking Temporal Evolution of “w”

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$$w(z) = w_0 + w_a z / (1 + z)$$

Chevallier and Polarski 2001, Linder 2003

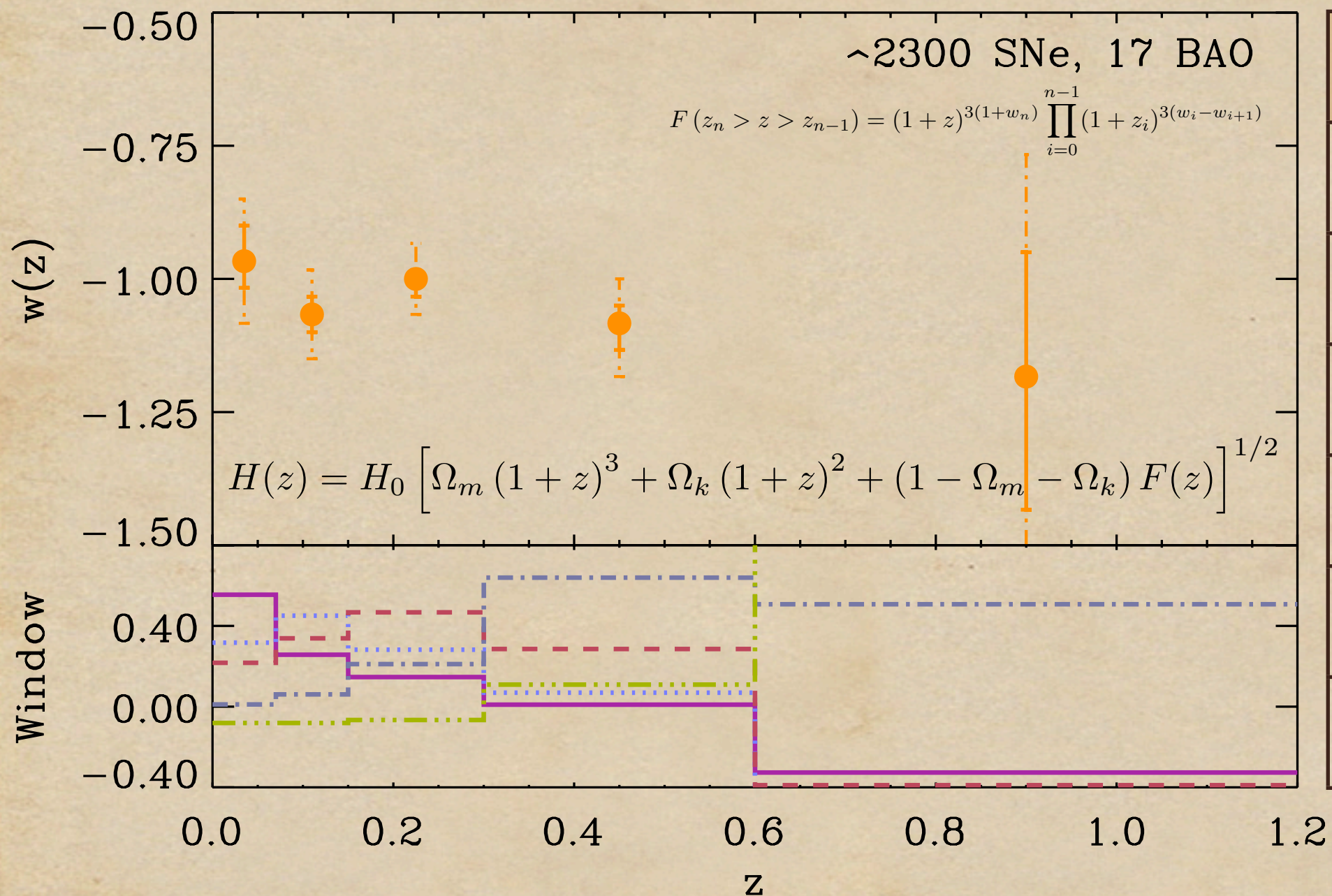
2. Principal Component Analysis

Huterer and Starkman 2003; Dragan's Talk

3. Uncorrelated Estimates of $w(z)$

Huterer and Cooray 2005; Asantha's Talk

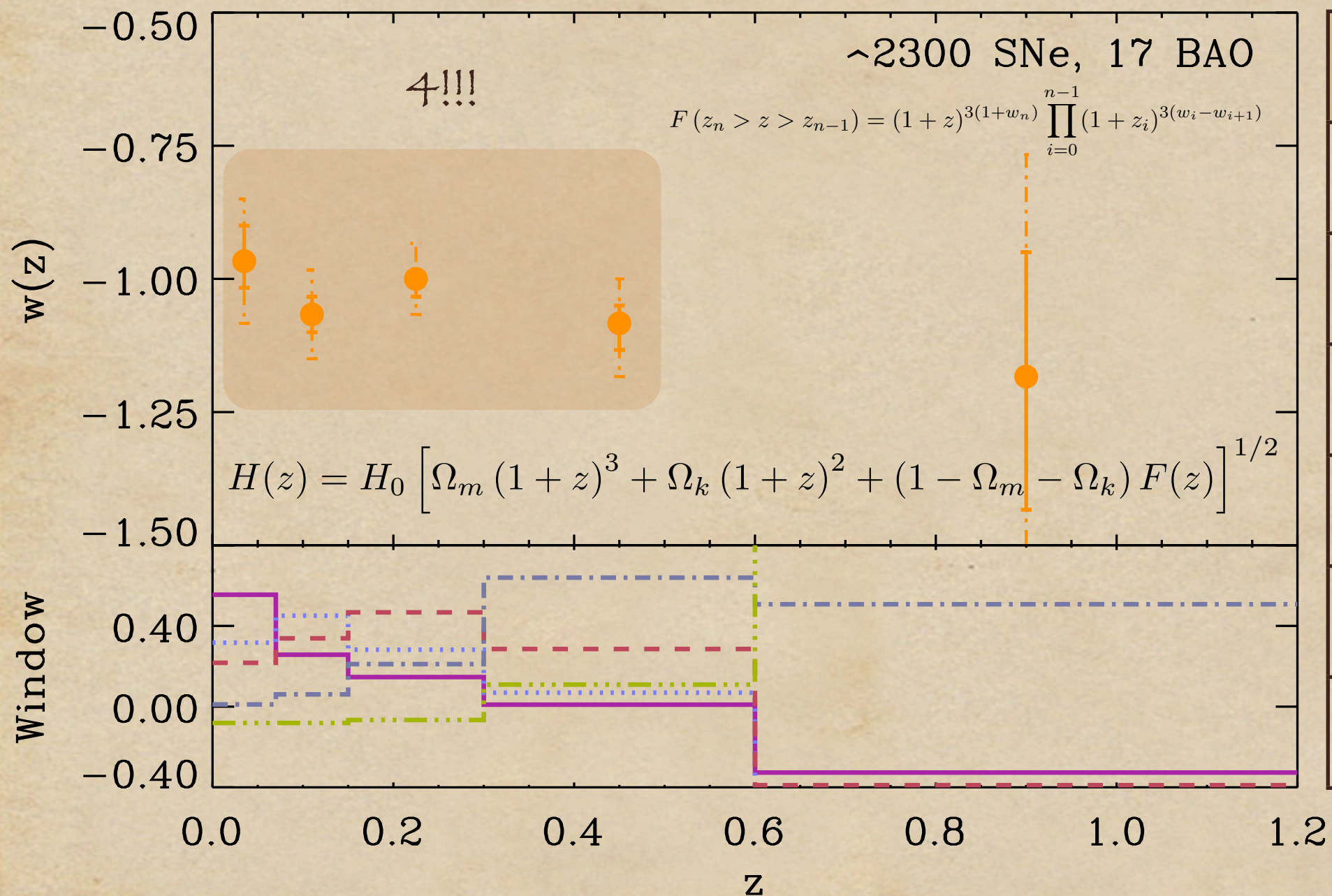
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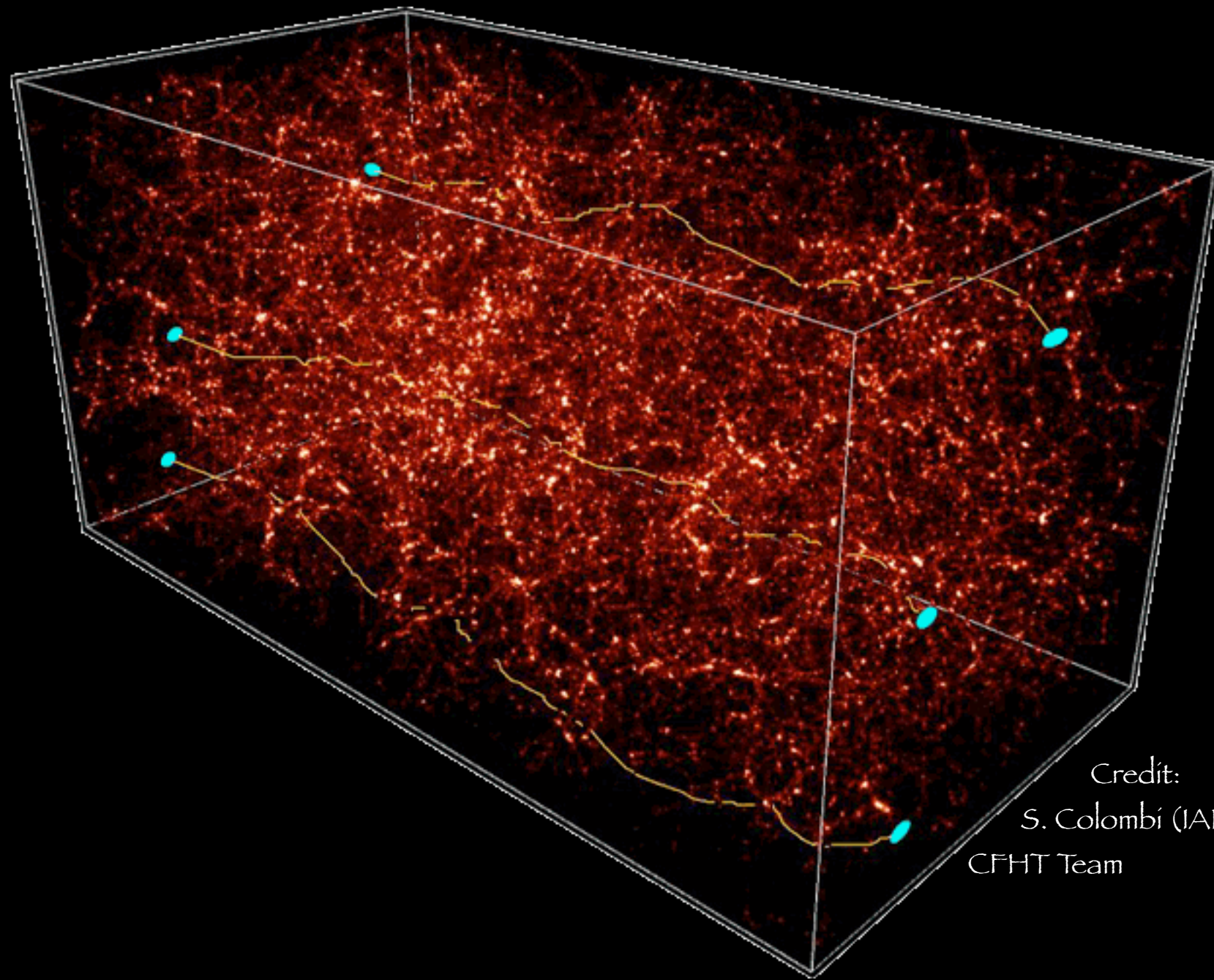
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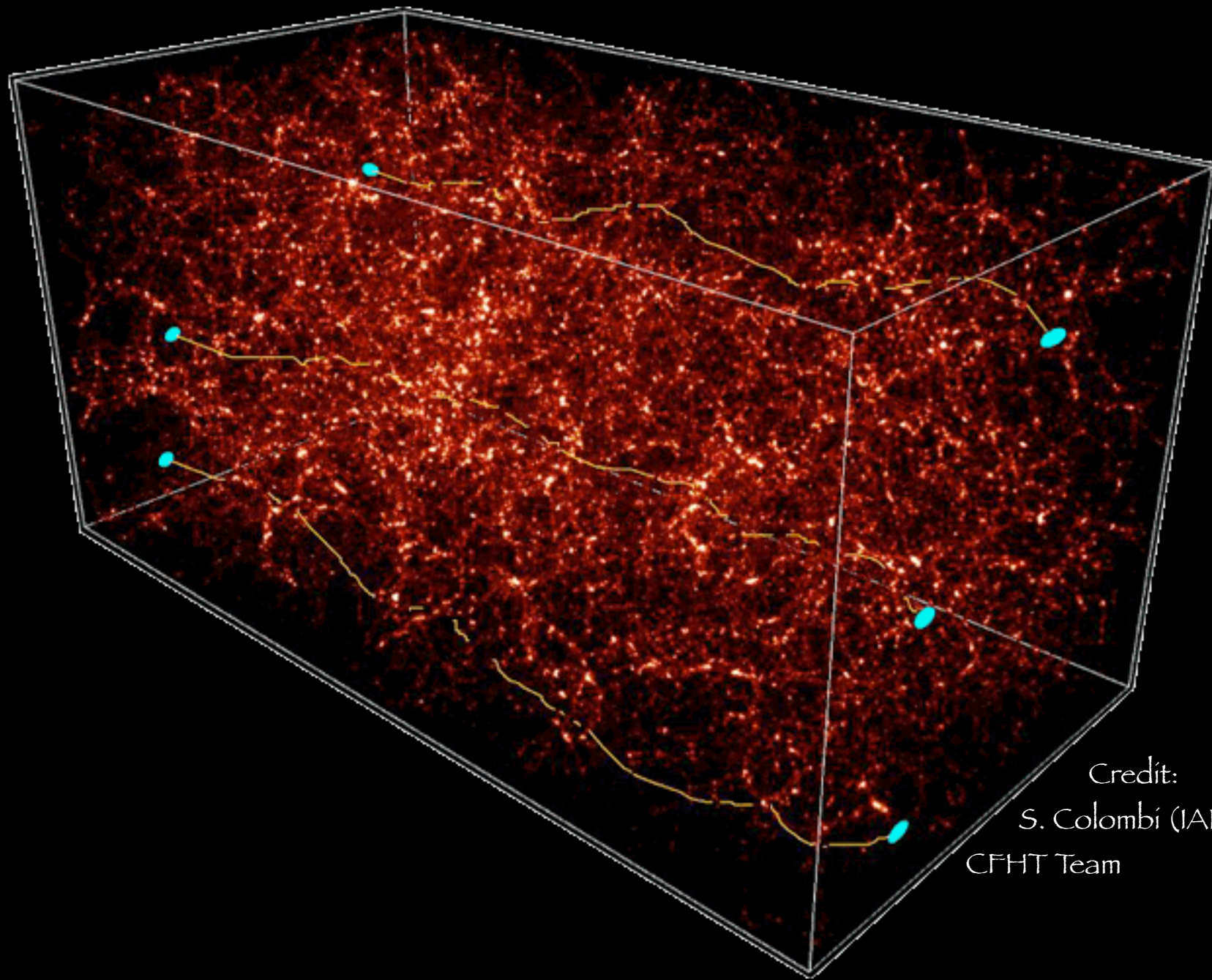
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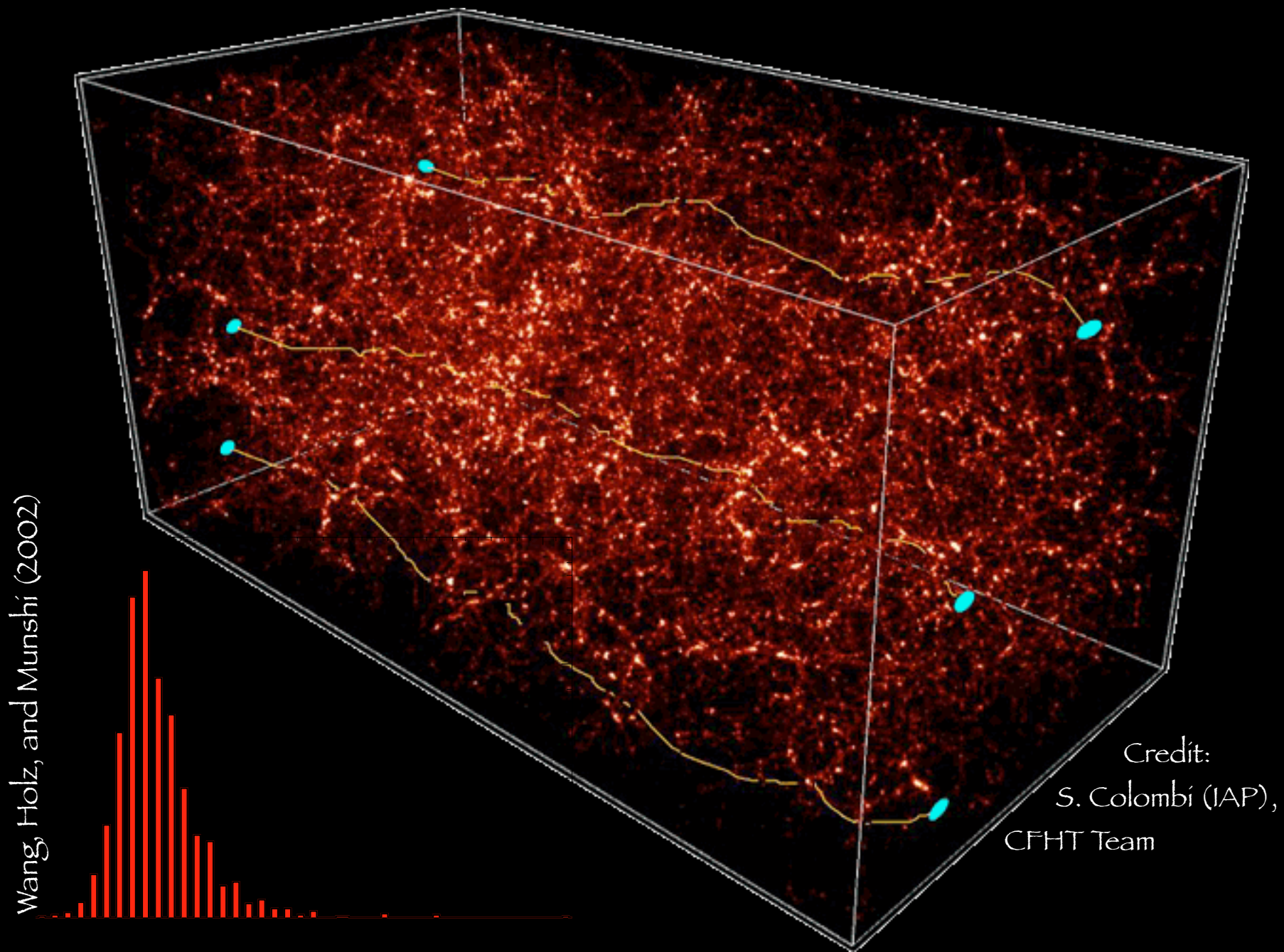
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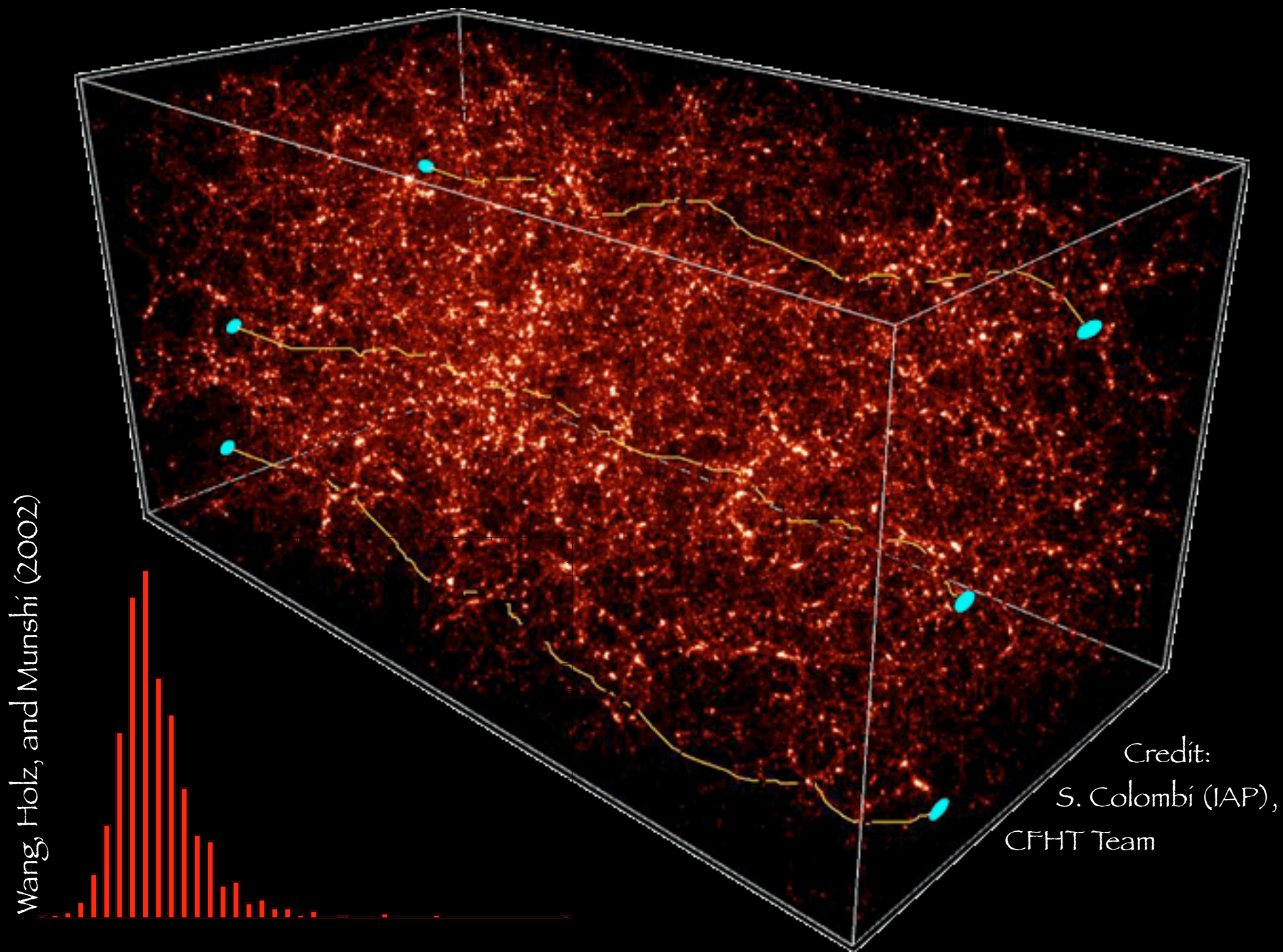
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Weak lensing can modify the SNa flux & bias estimates of w

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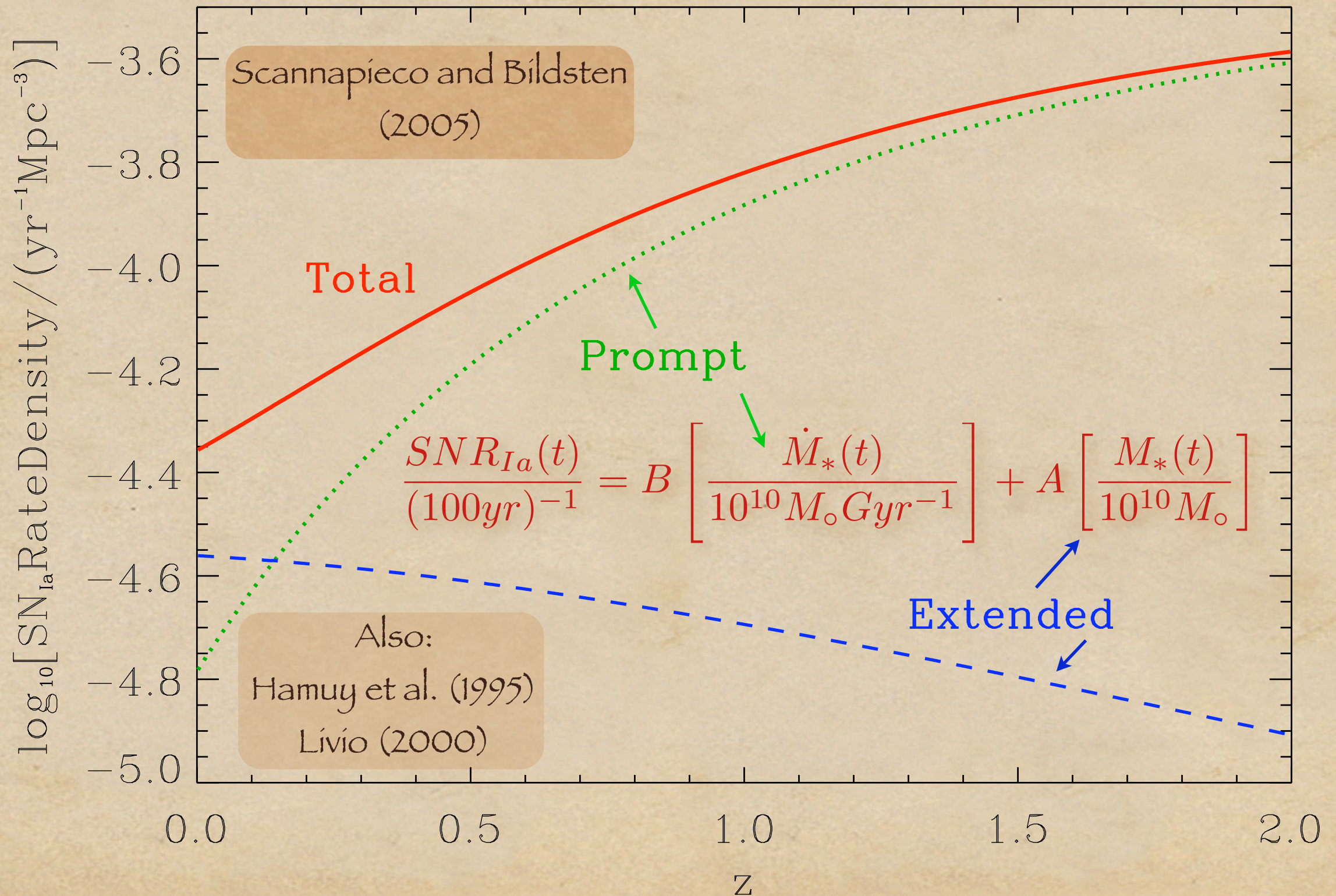
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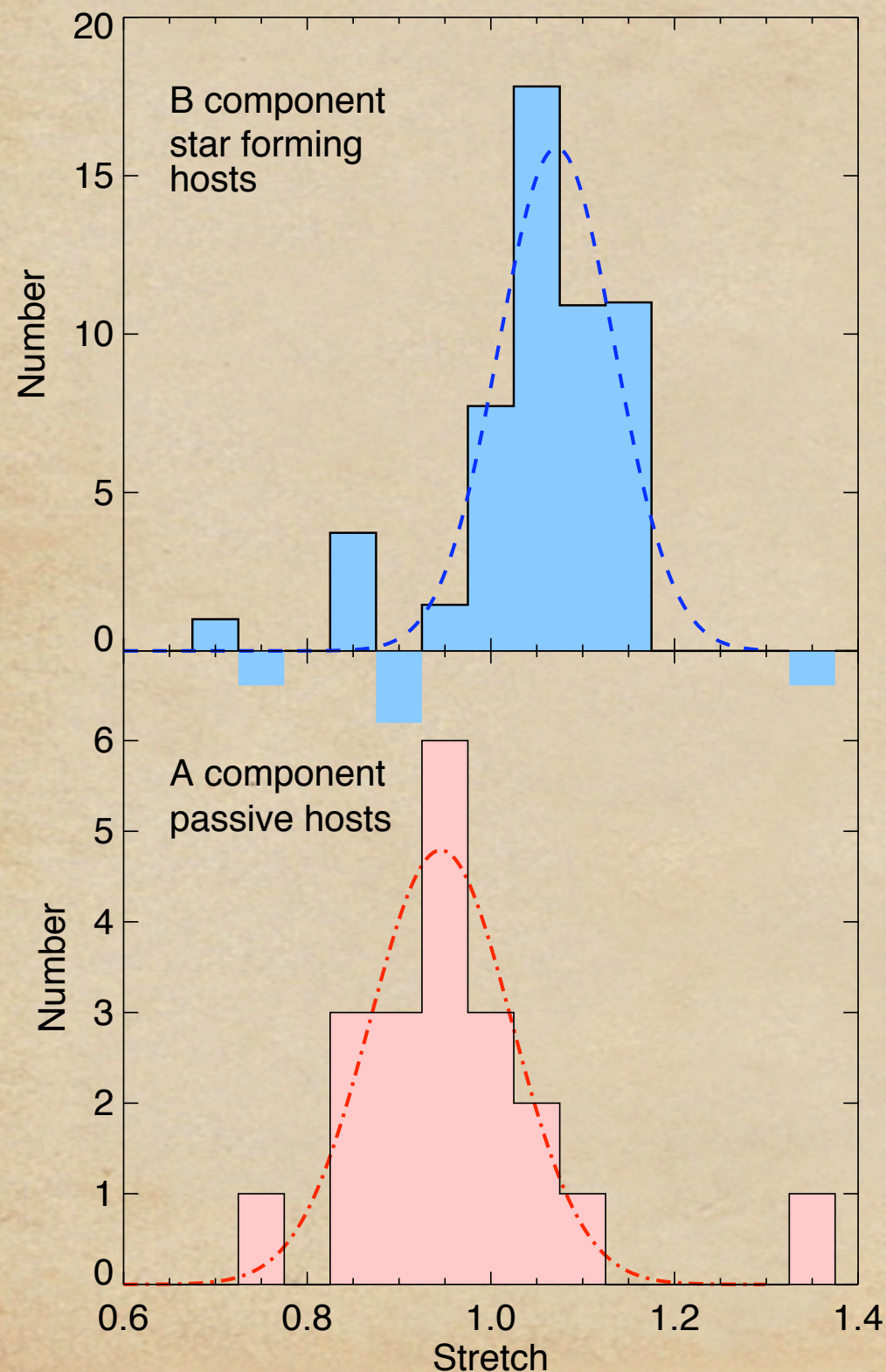
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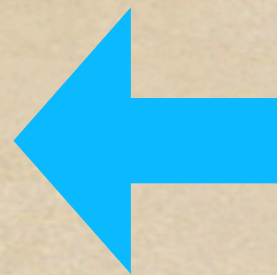


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$$\mu_B = m_B^* - M + \alpha(s - 1) - \beta c$$

Tripp (1998), Guy et al. (2005)



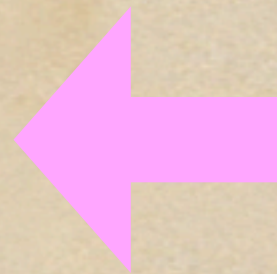
PROMPT

12% Difference

in

Intrinsic Luminosity

$$\mathcal{L}_P = \mathcal{L}_E + \Delta\mathcal{L}$$



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Howell et al. 2007

Data Source: Sullivan et al. 2006 (SNLS)

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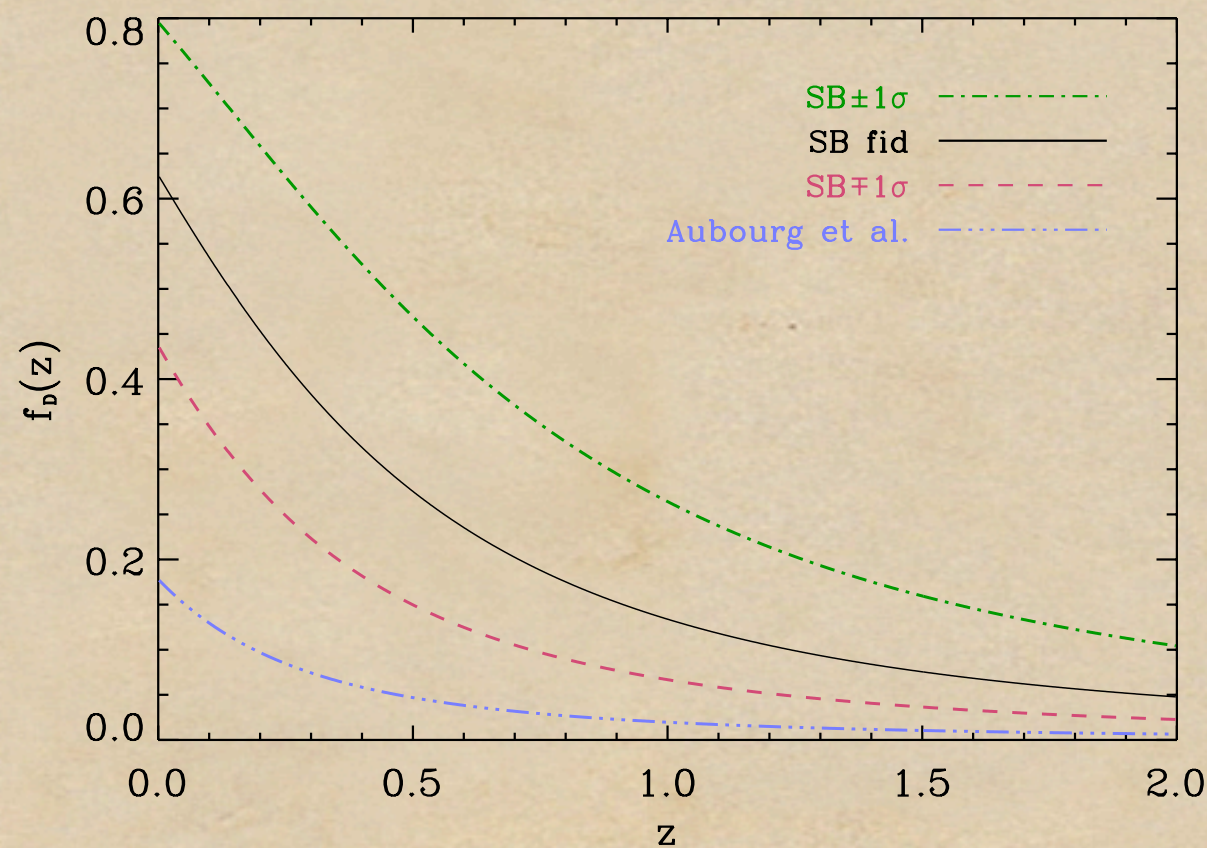
$$m - M = 5 \log \left(\frac{d_L}{\text{Mpc}} \right) + 25 + \mathcal{M}$$

Distance
Modulus

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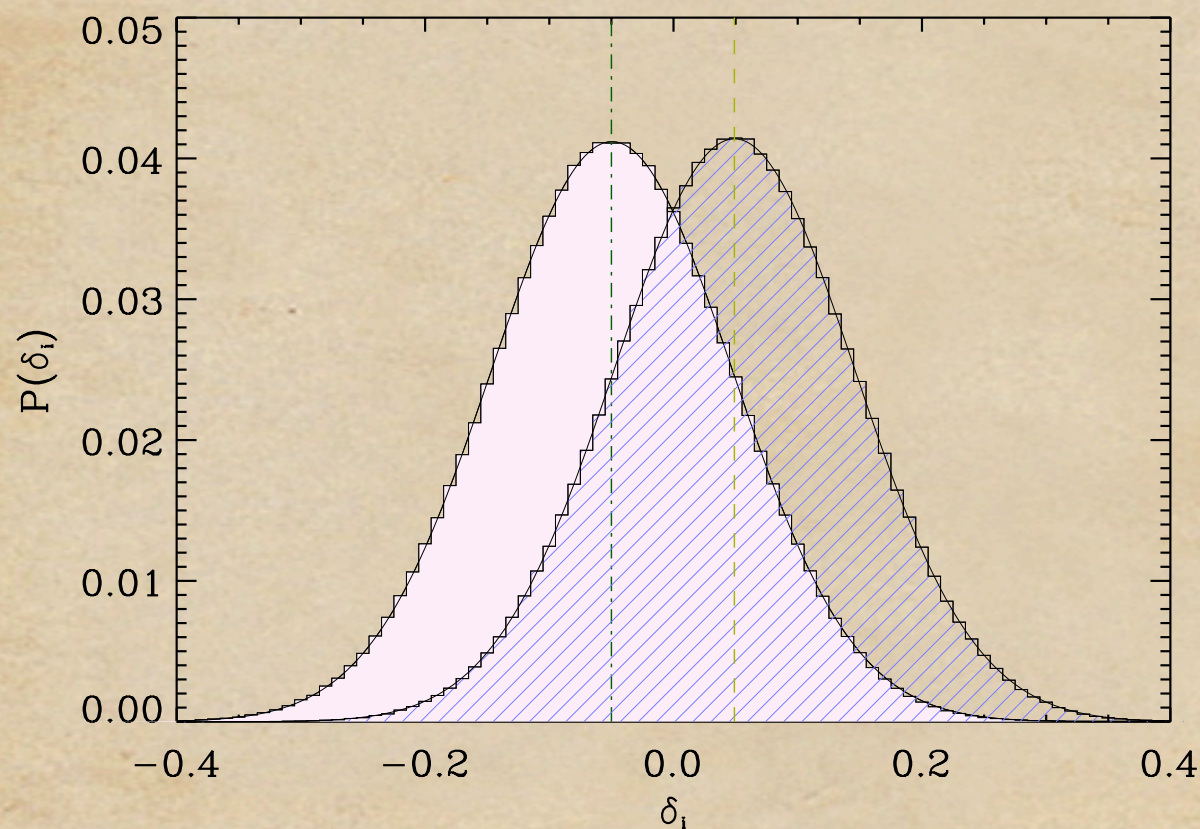


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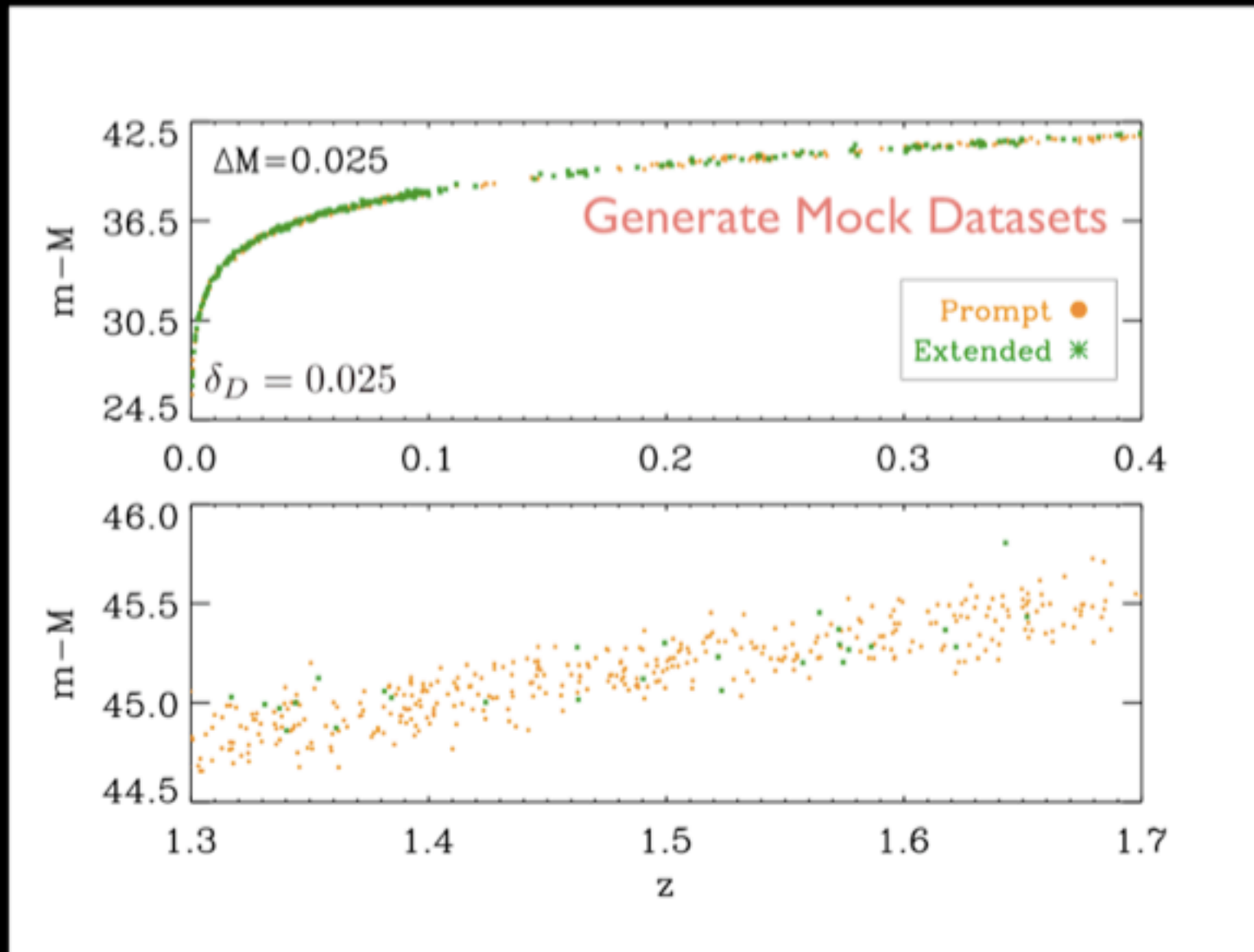
With current data (192 SNe from Davis et al. 2007), the residual is consistent with zero:

$$\delta_D \sim (5 \pm 9)\%$$

With future data, one will be able to constrain the residual much better.

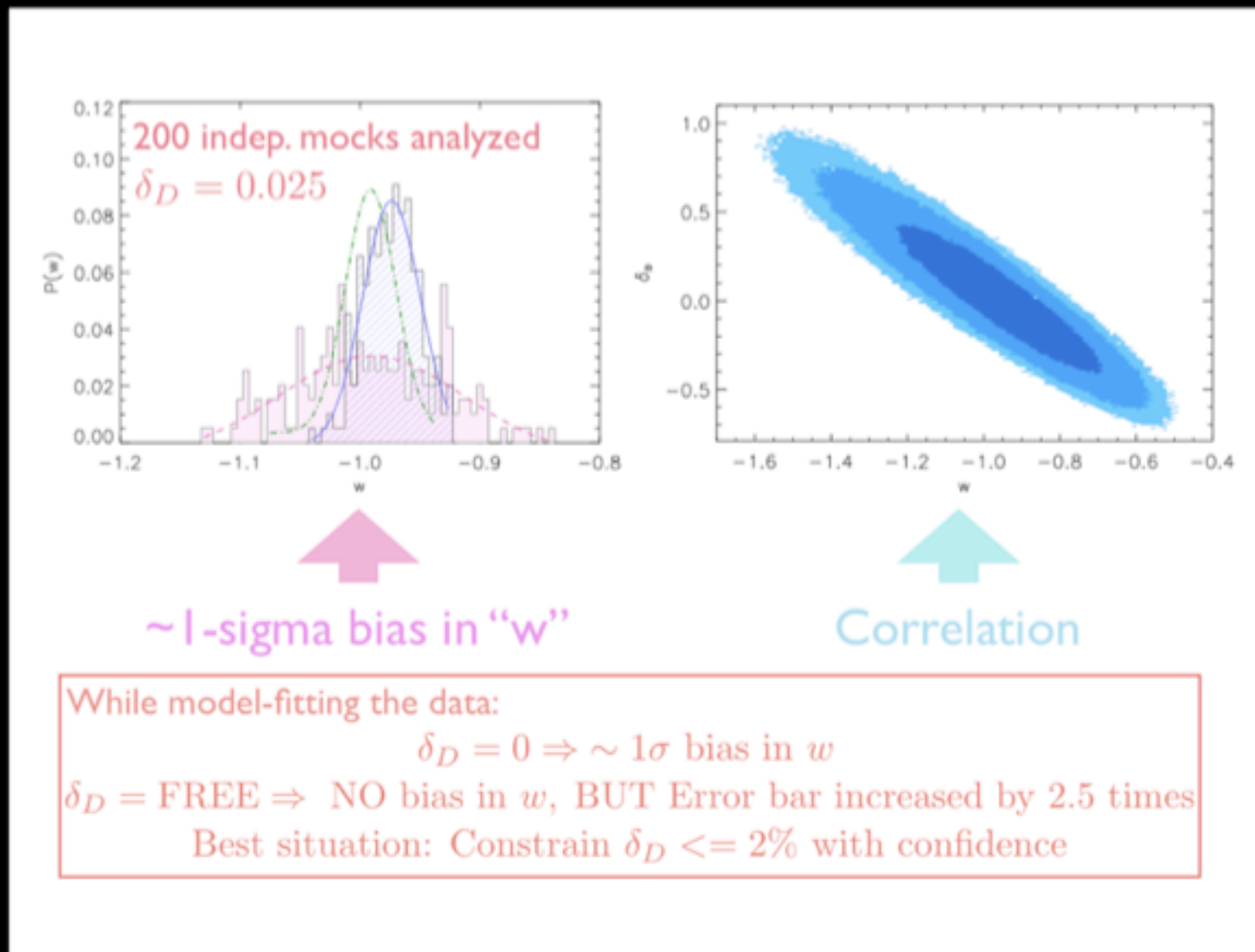
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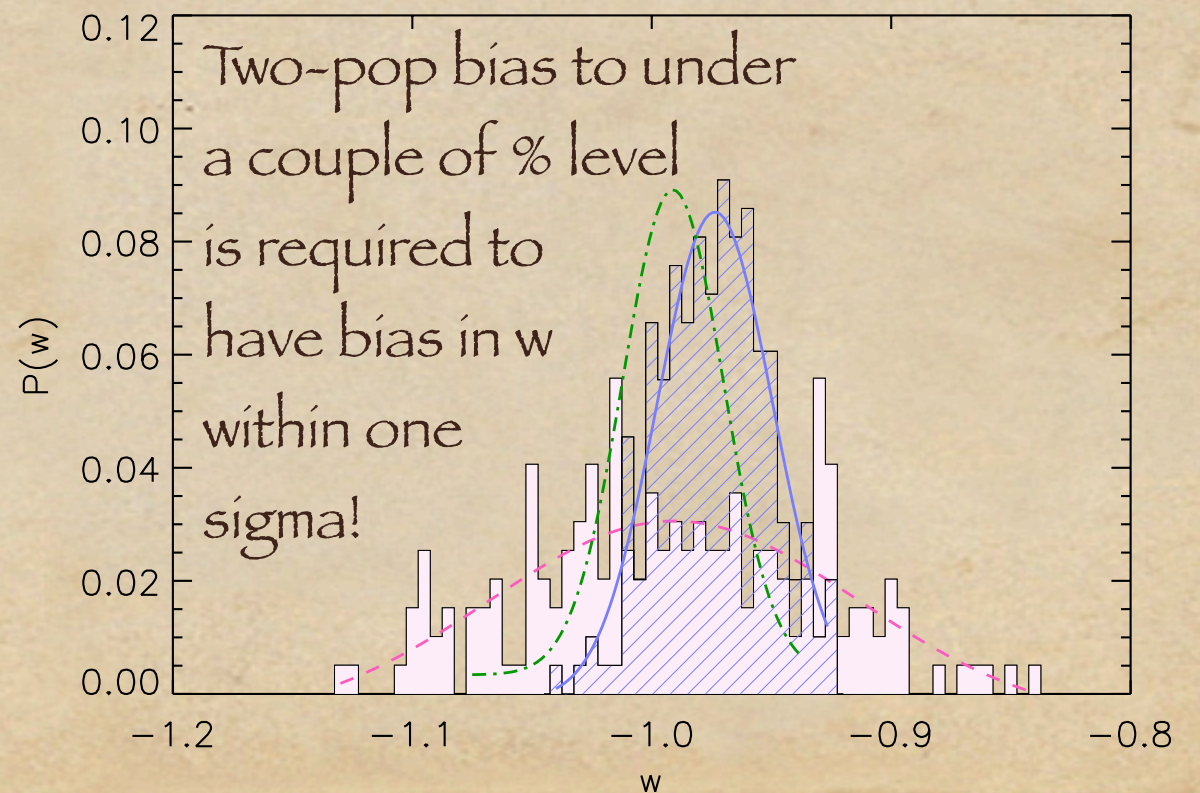
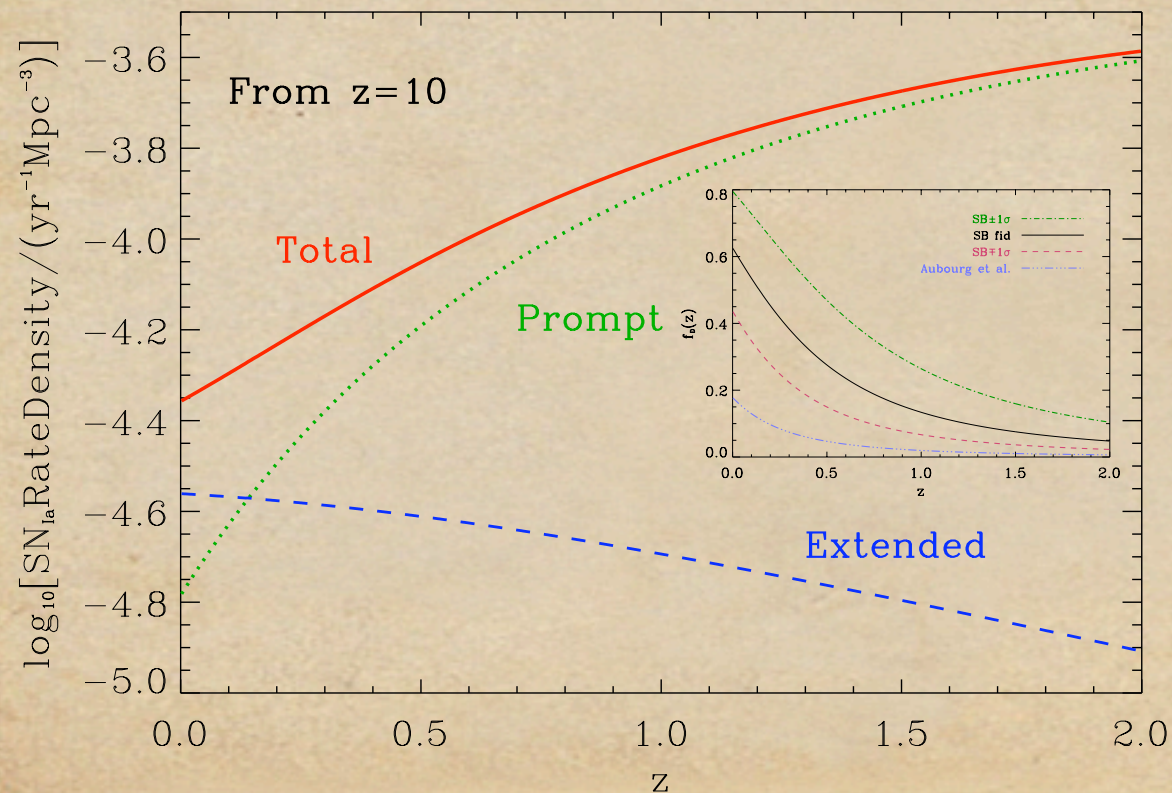
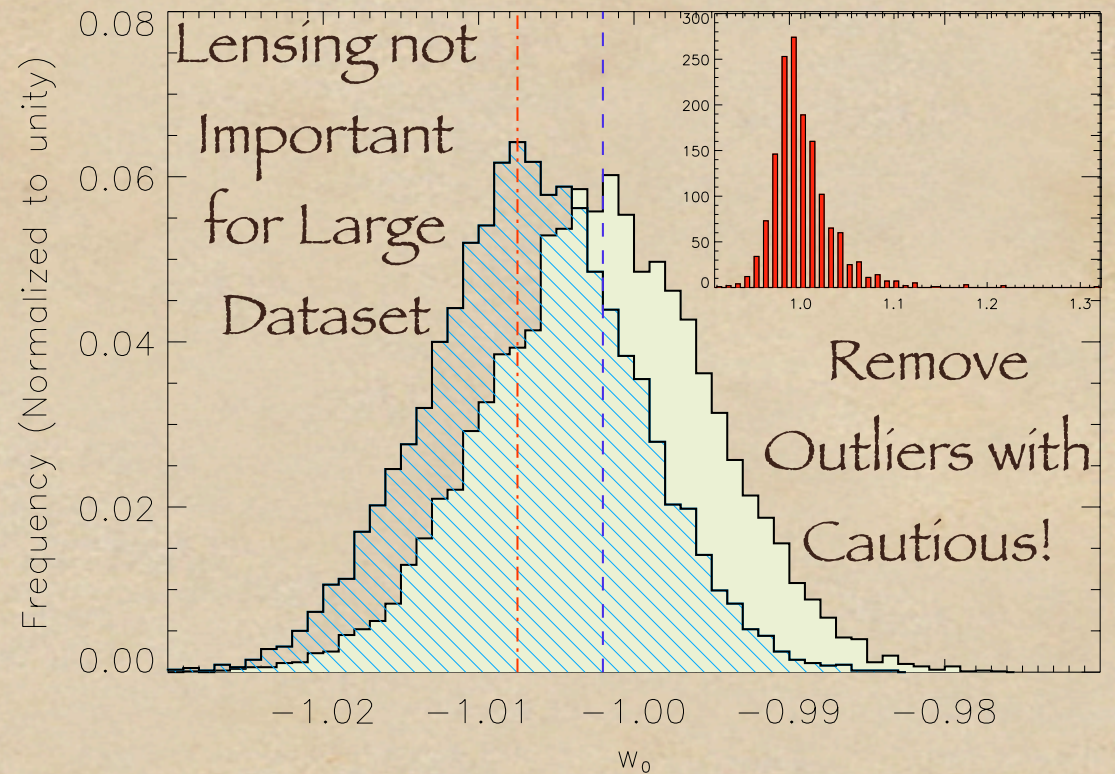
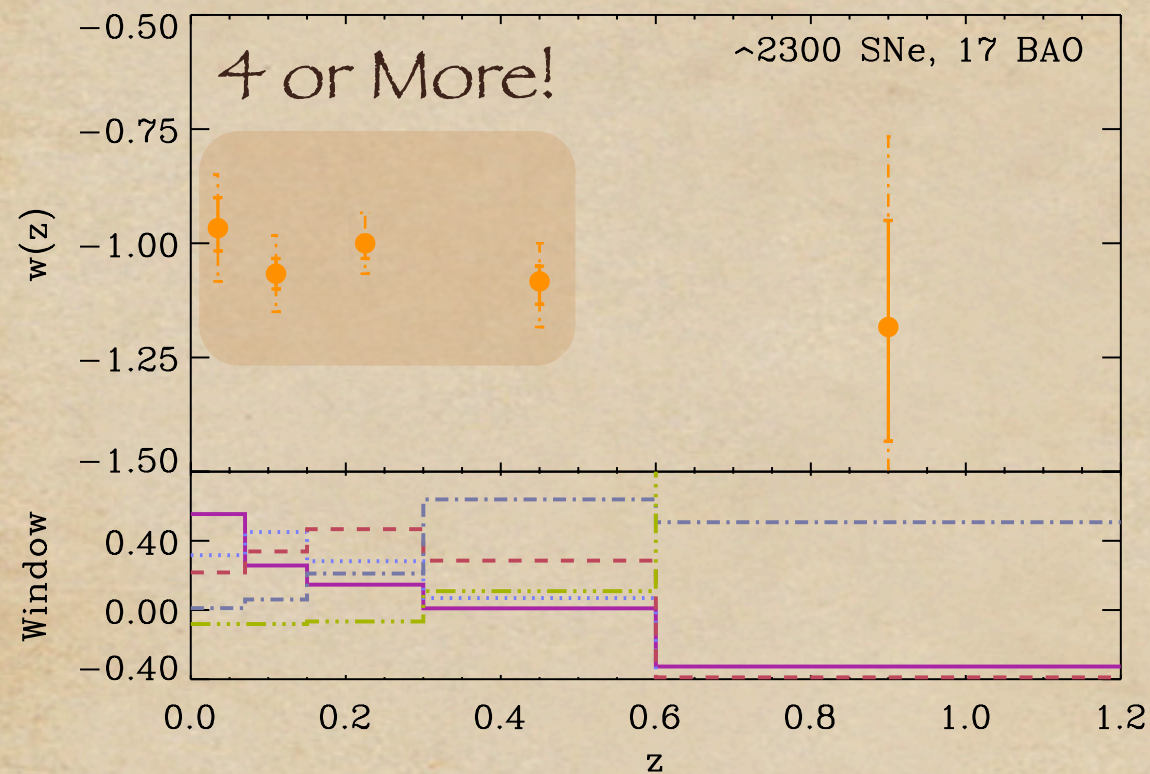
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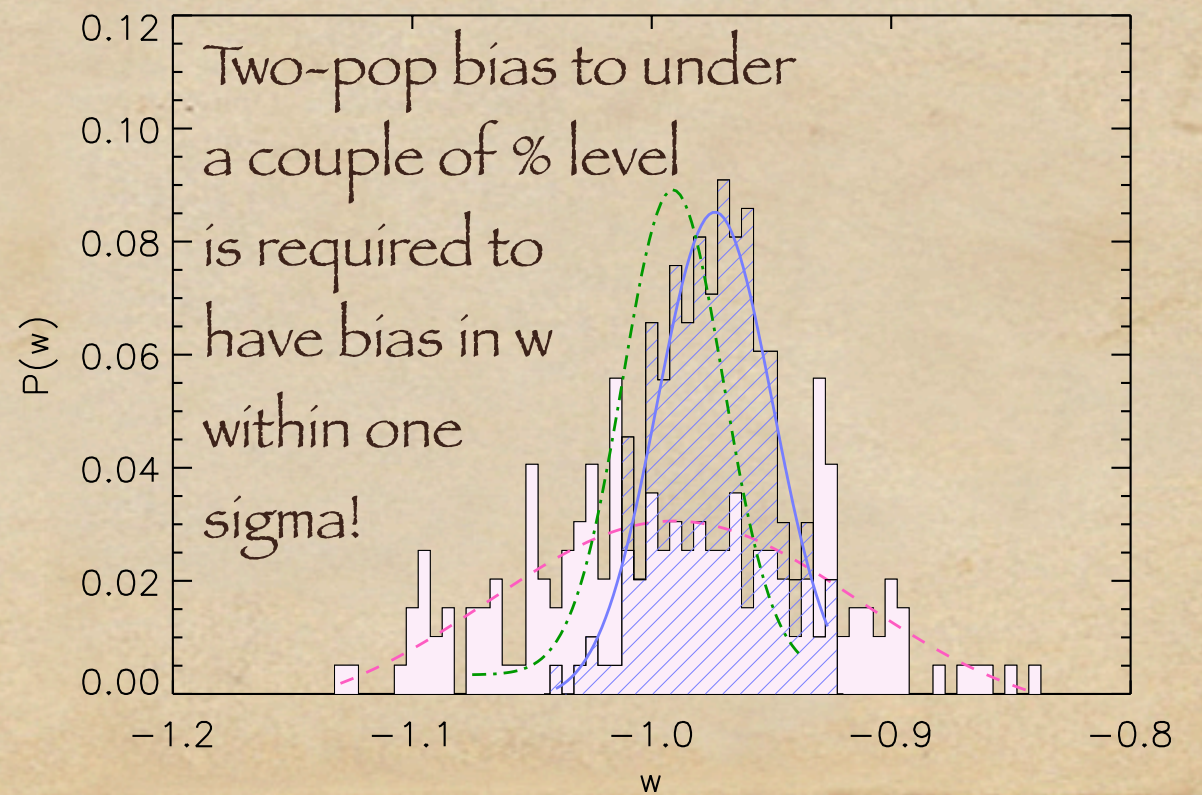
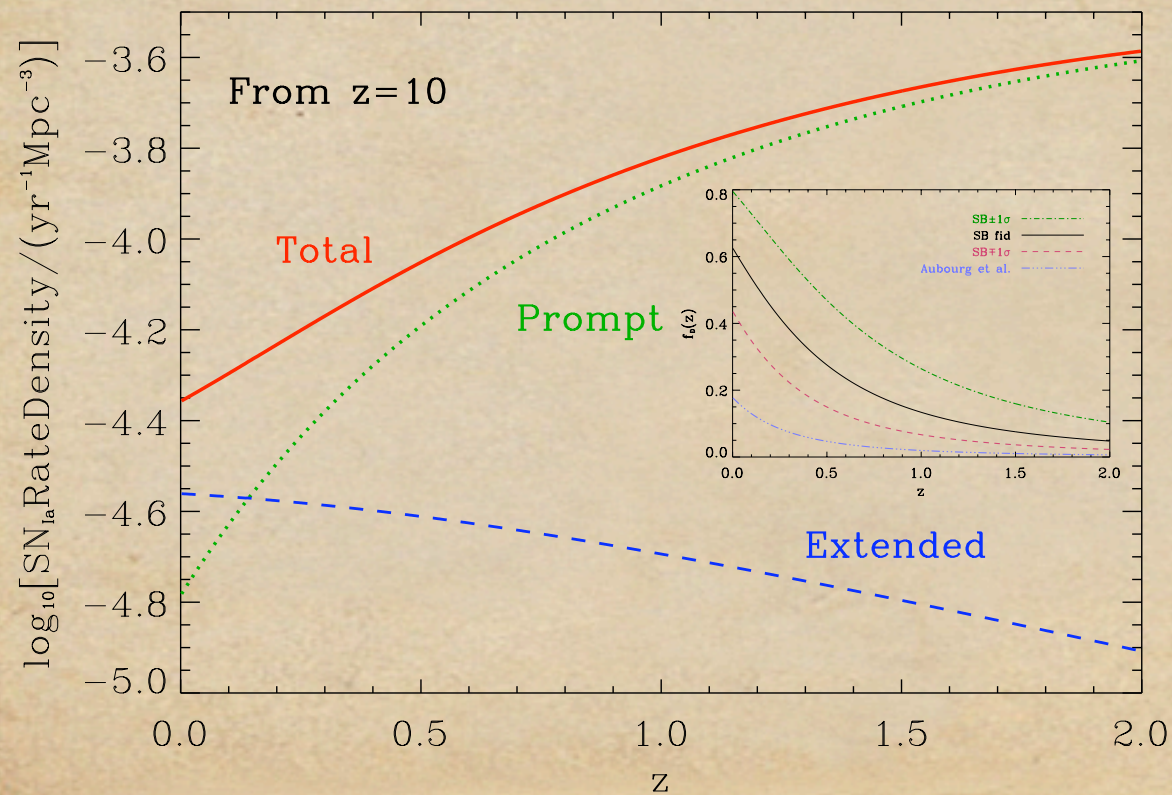
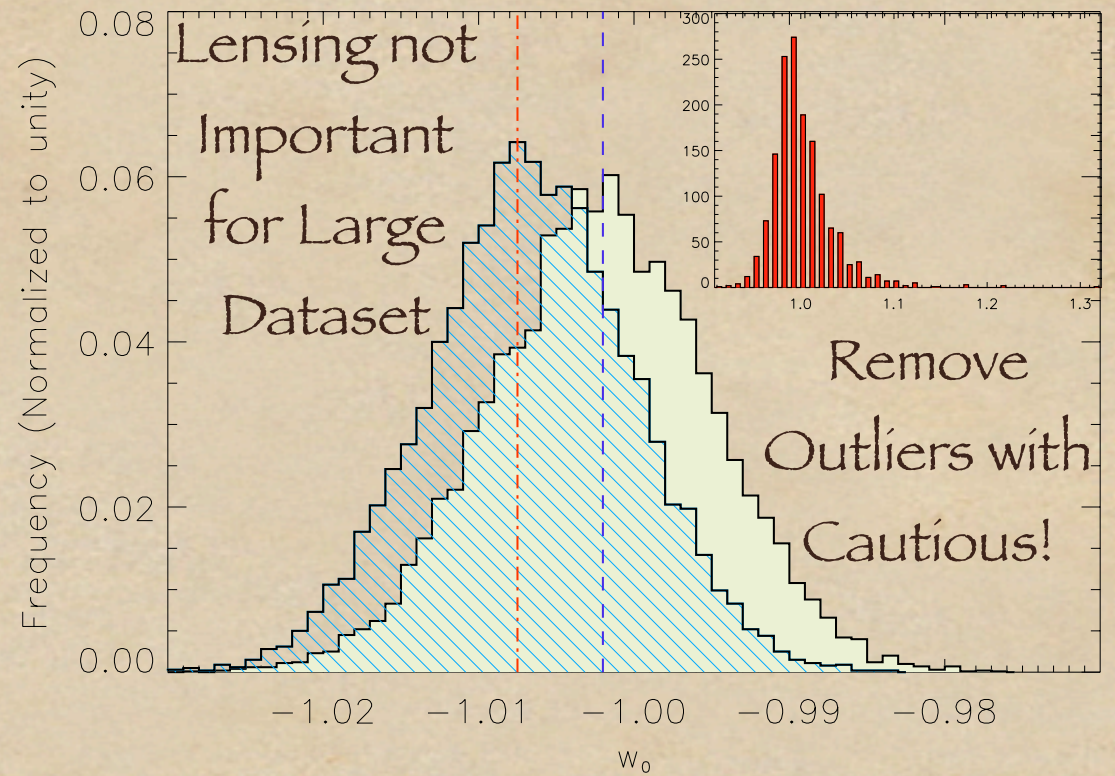
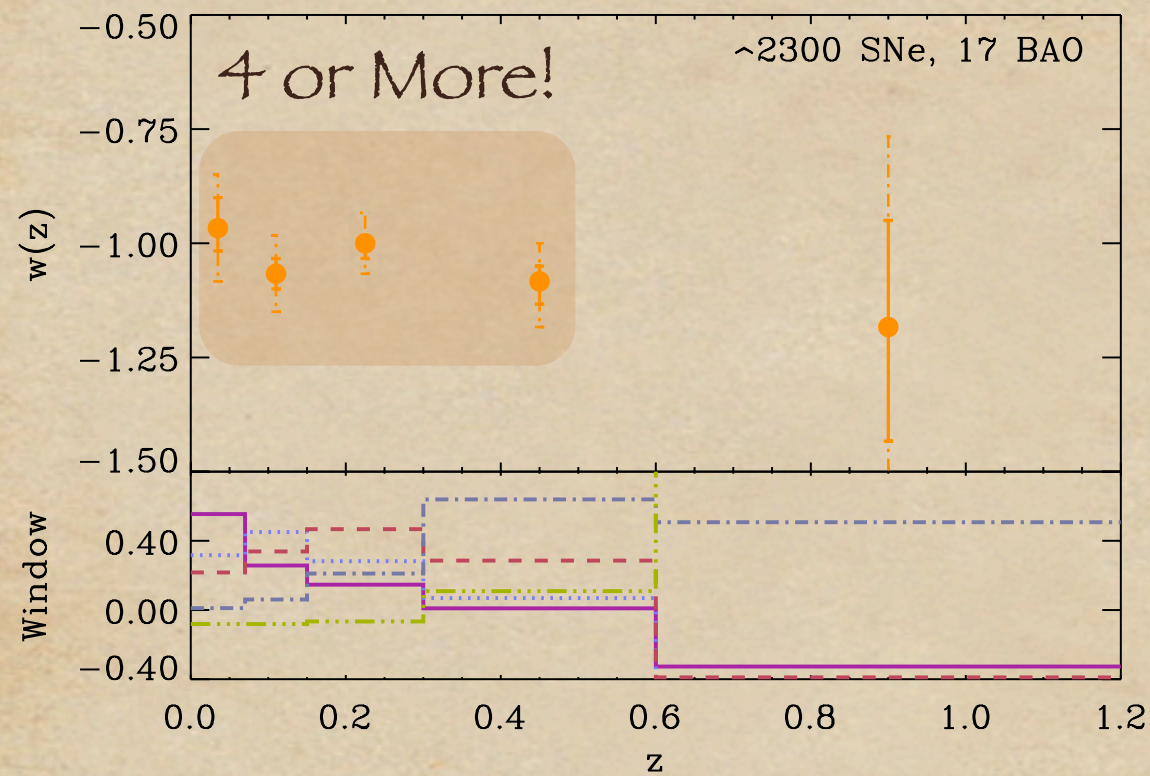
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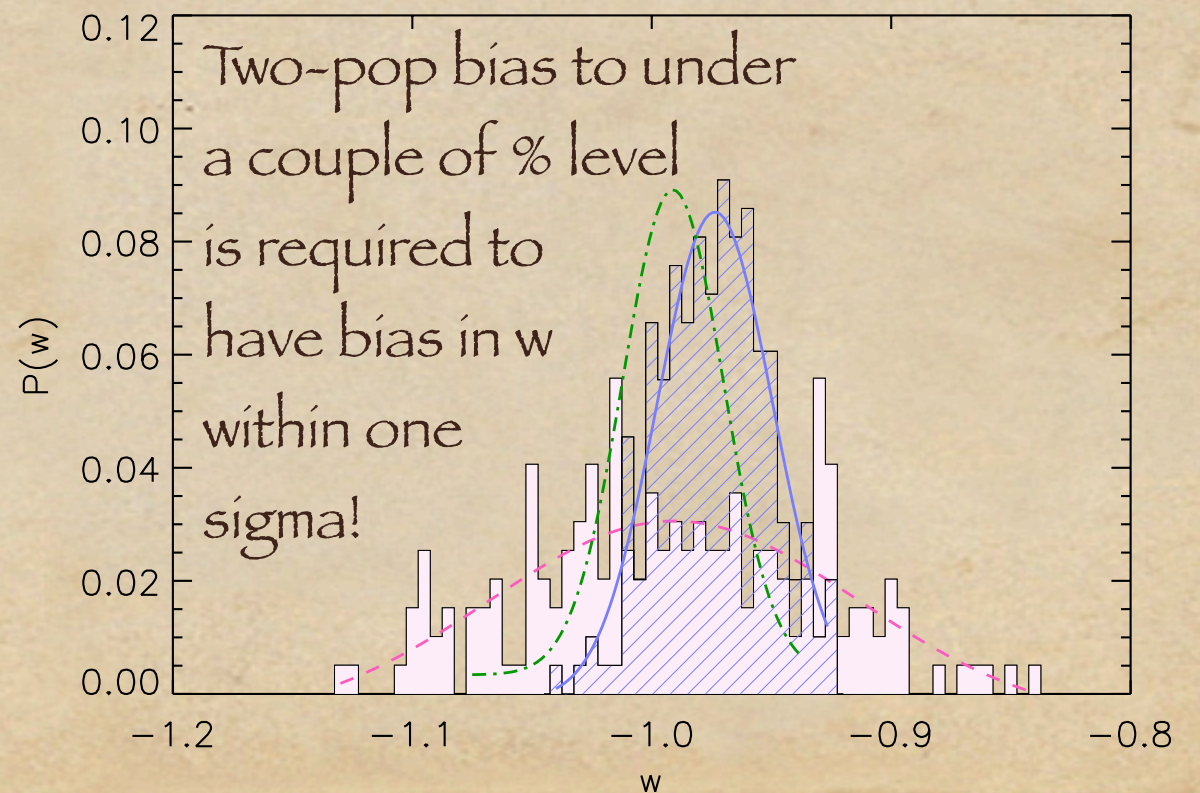
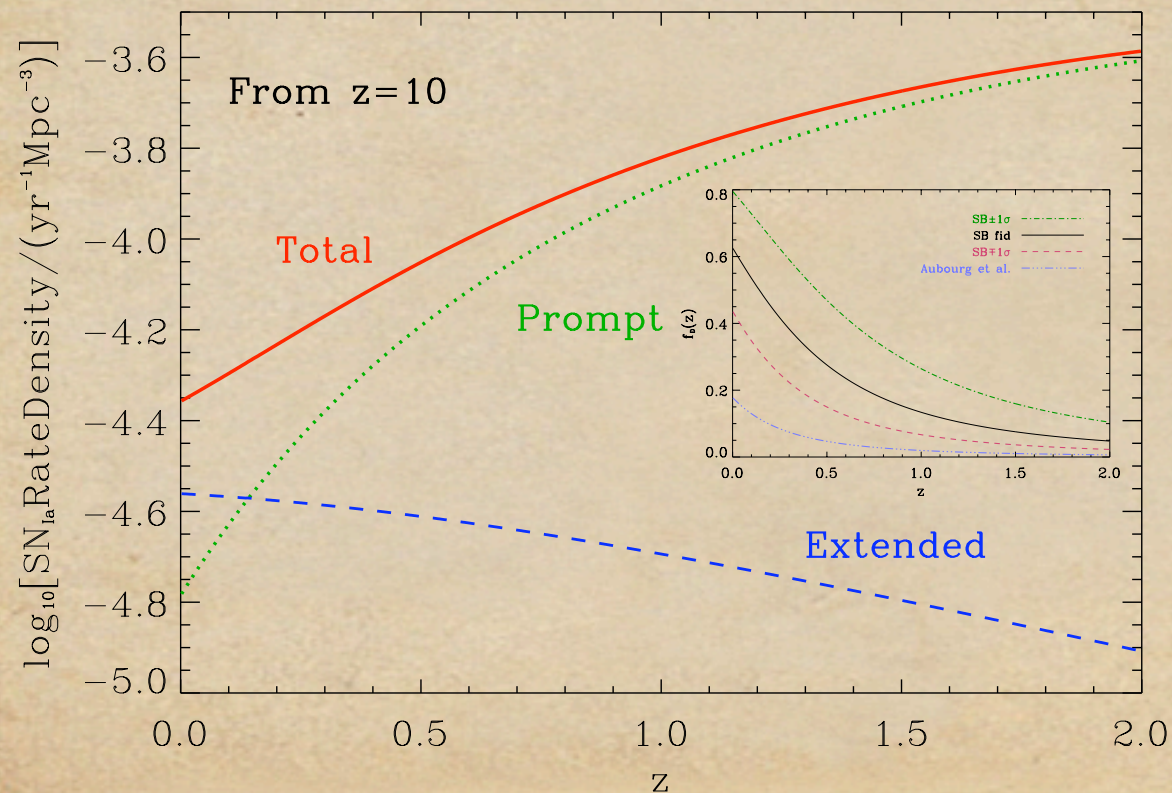
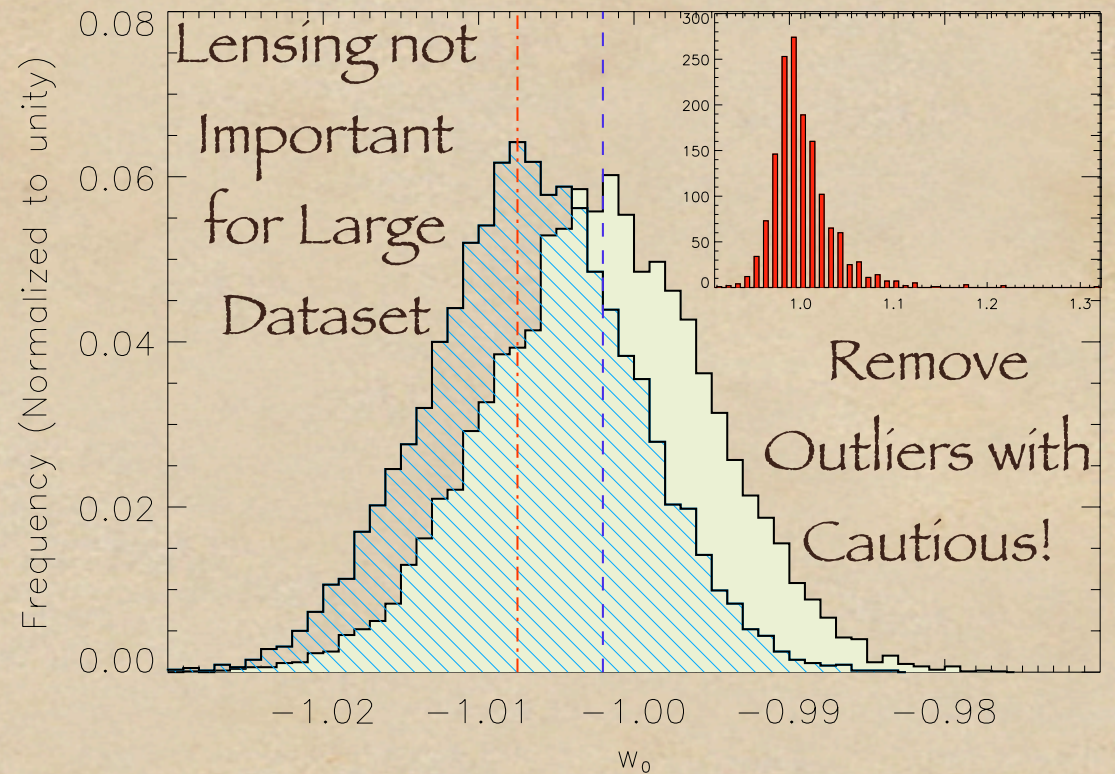
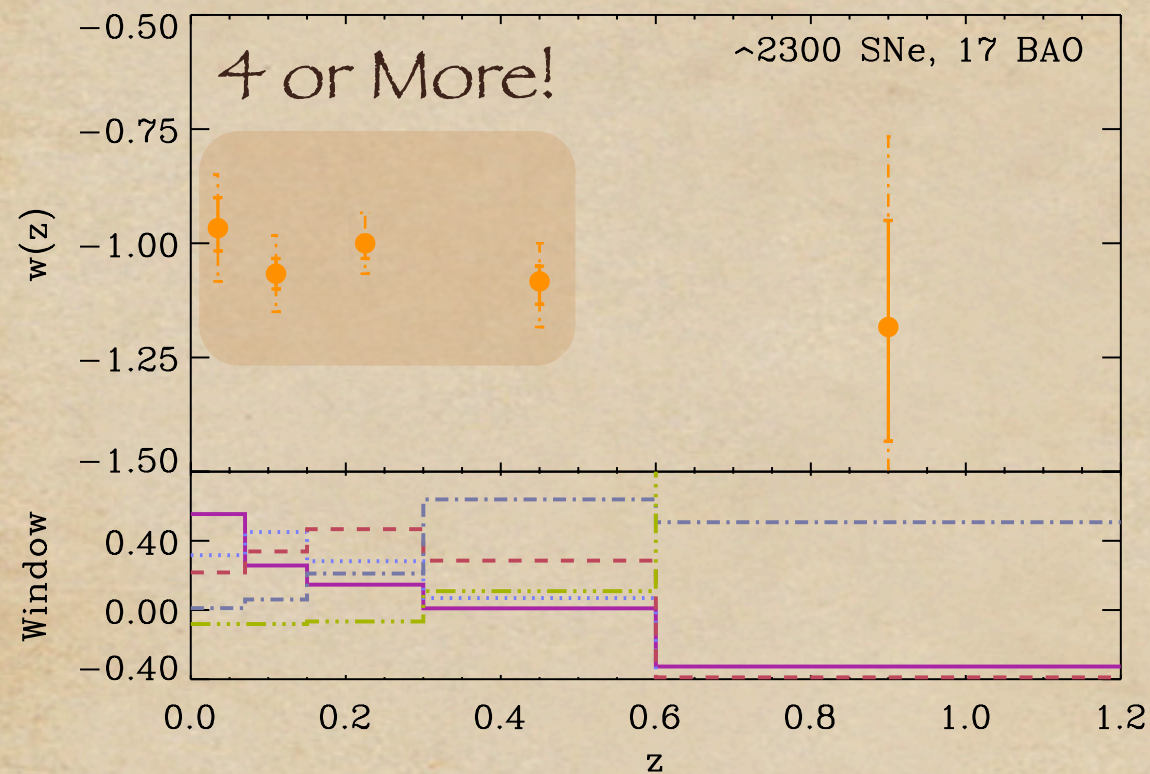
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