

The logo for The Dark Energy Survey, featuring a stylized red hexagon with a white outline, containing a black field of stars.

THE DARK ENERGY SURVEY

DES-SN

Supernova systematics in the era of LSST*

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**astrophysical (I can't cover them all!)*

Supernova cosmology: the basics

Brief Takeaway:

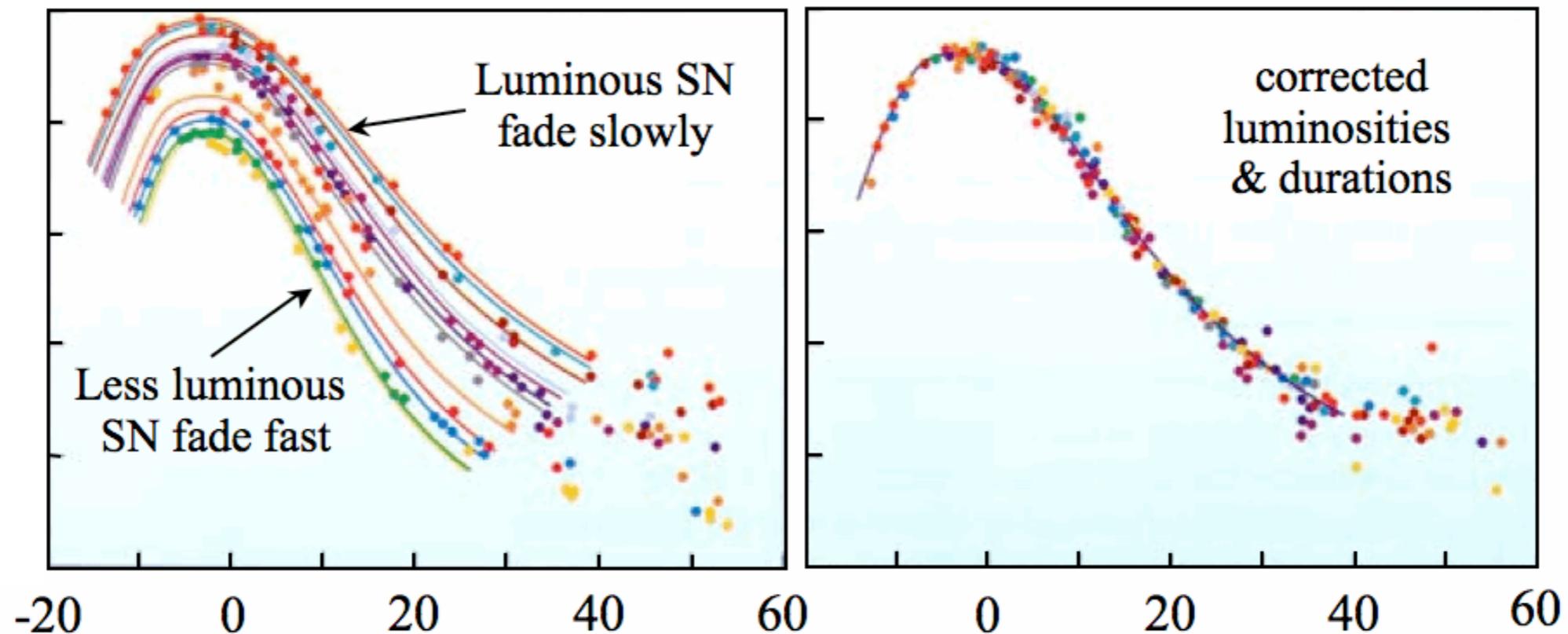
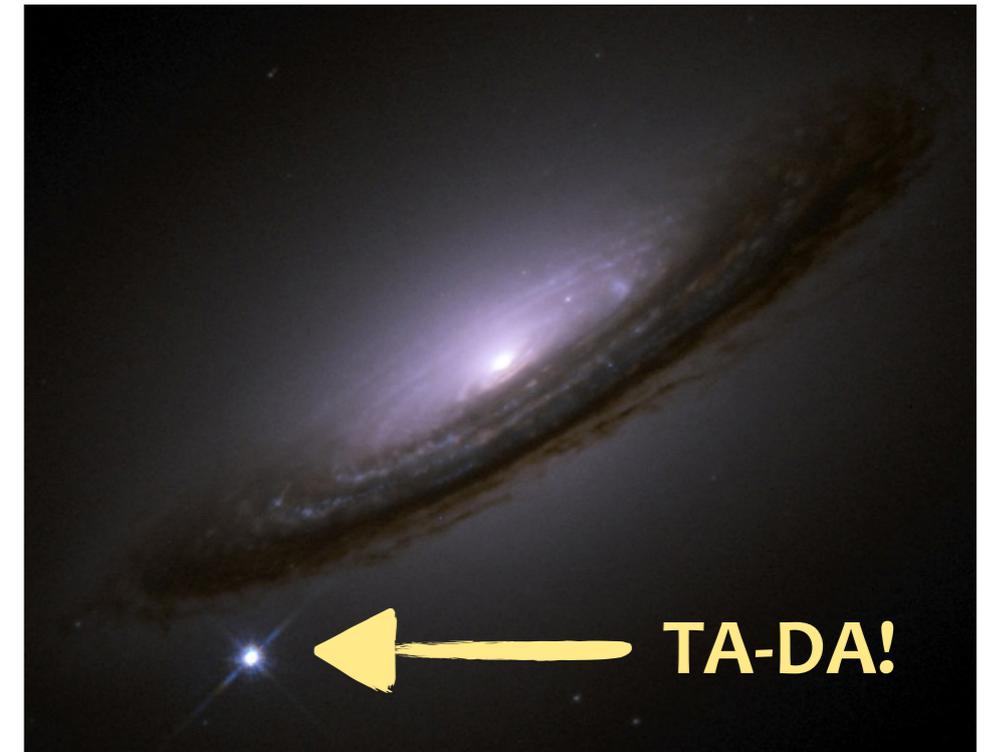
Supernova \Rightarrow SNe Ia*

Bright + 'standardly bright'

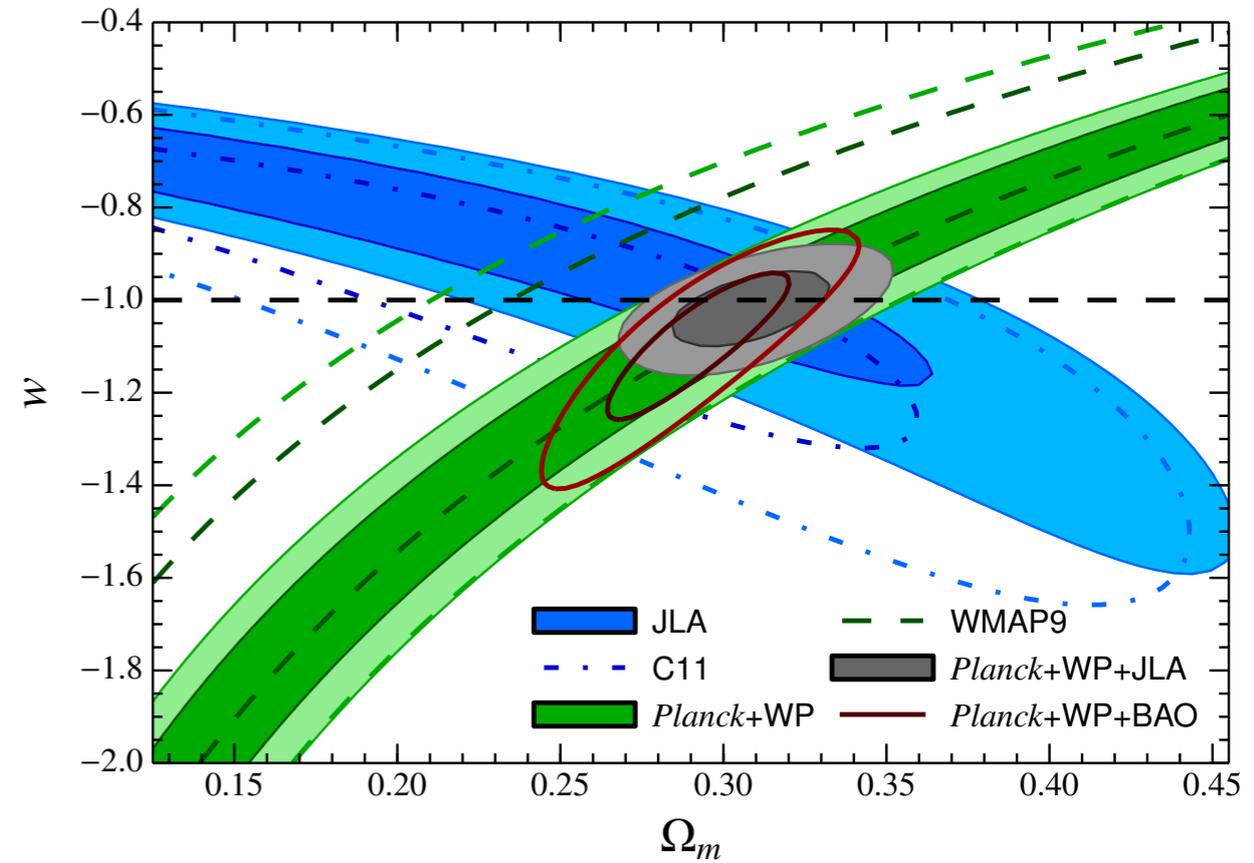
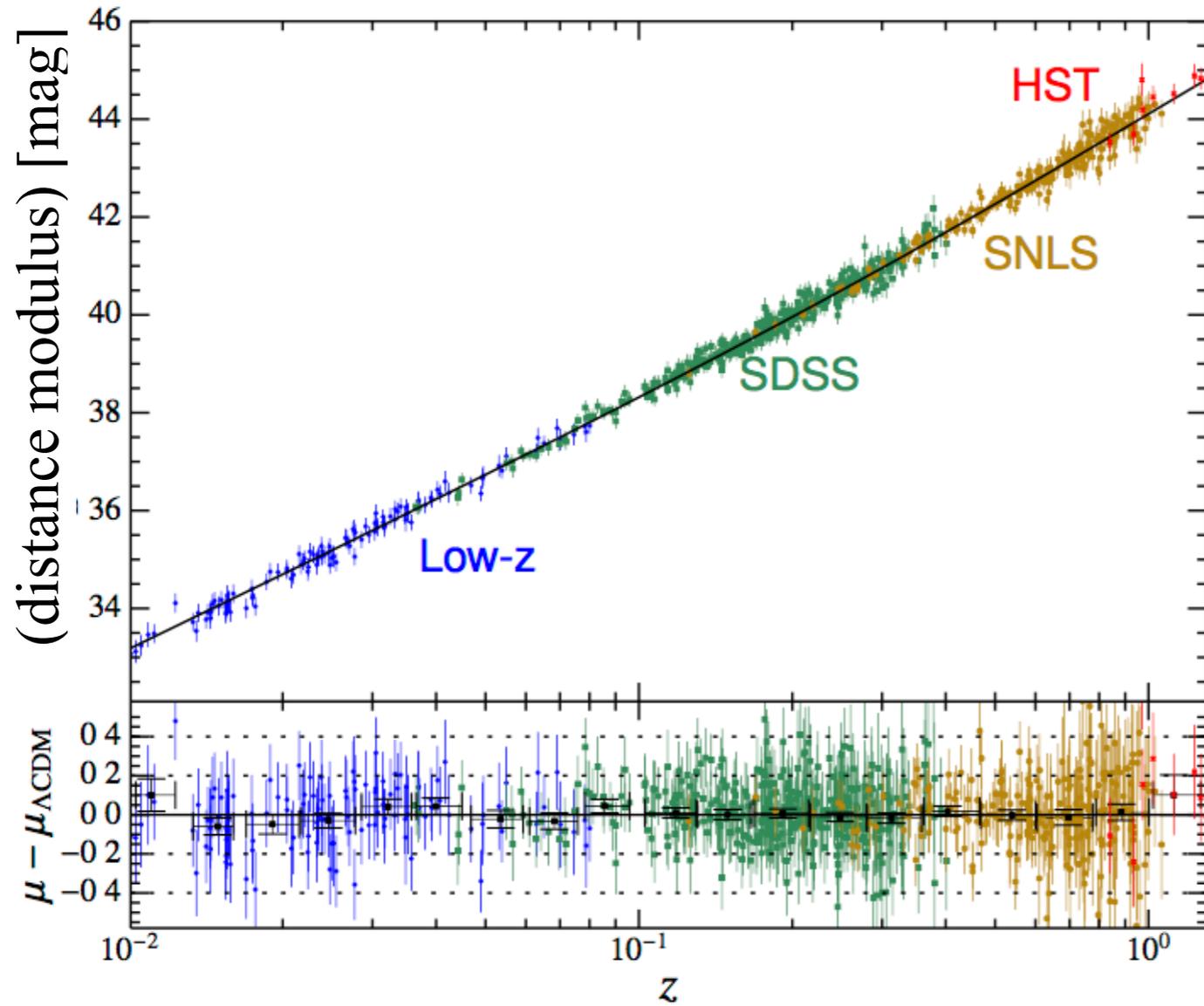
We don't know what they are

- *it kind of doesn't matter*

(as long as they are the same today as the past)



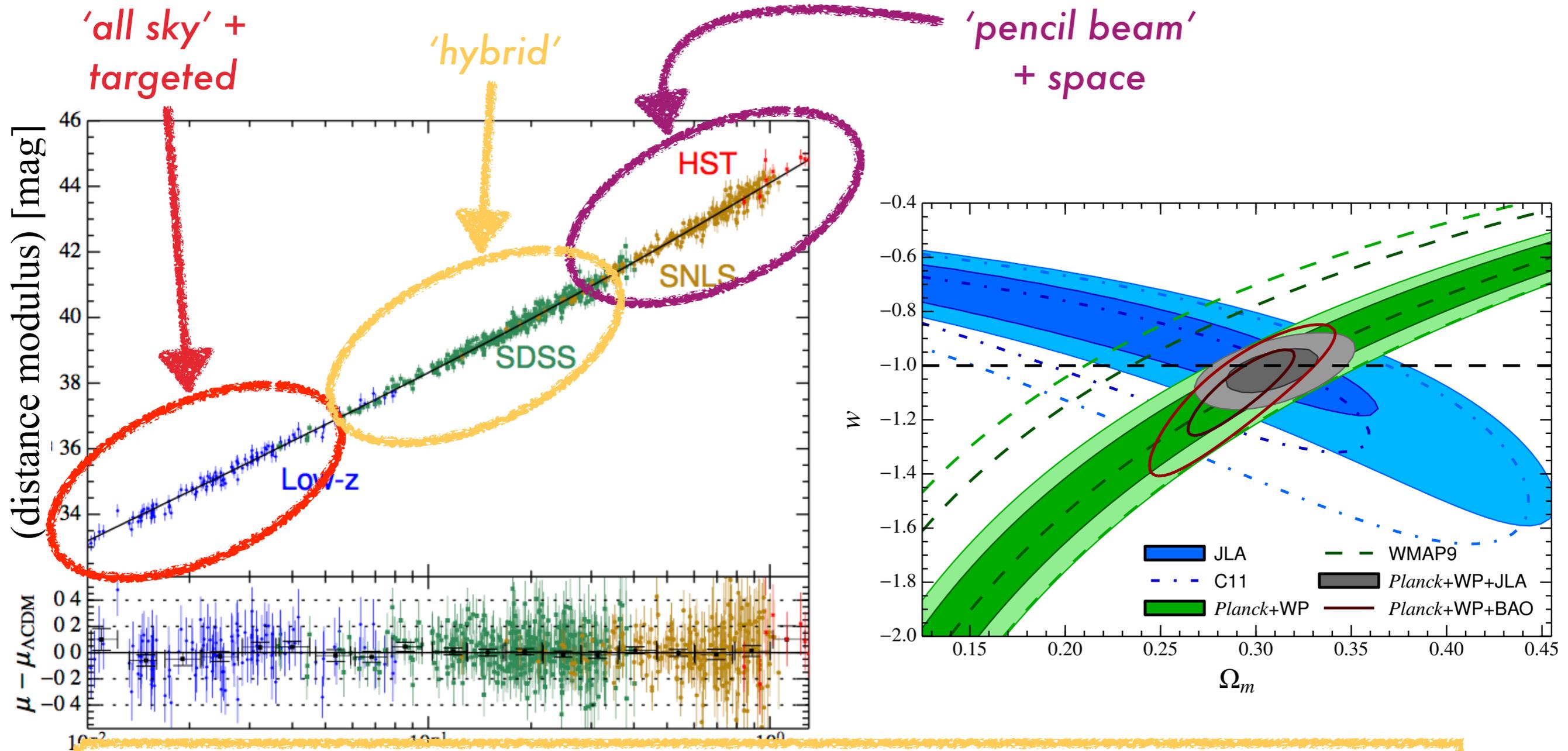
Supernova cosmology: 'today'



w to $\sim 5\%$

750 - 1000 SNIa to $z > 1$

Supernova cosmology: 'today'



Different strategies;

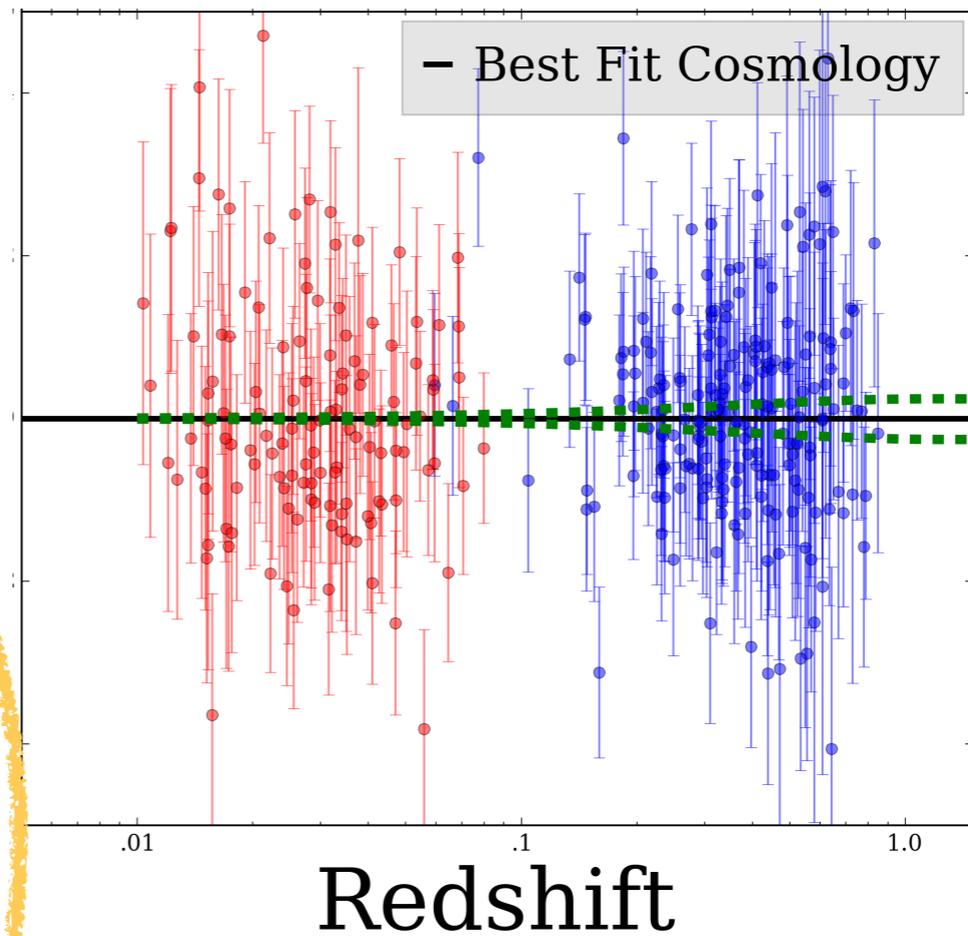
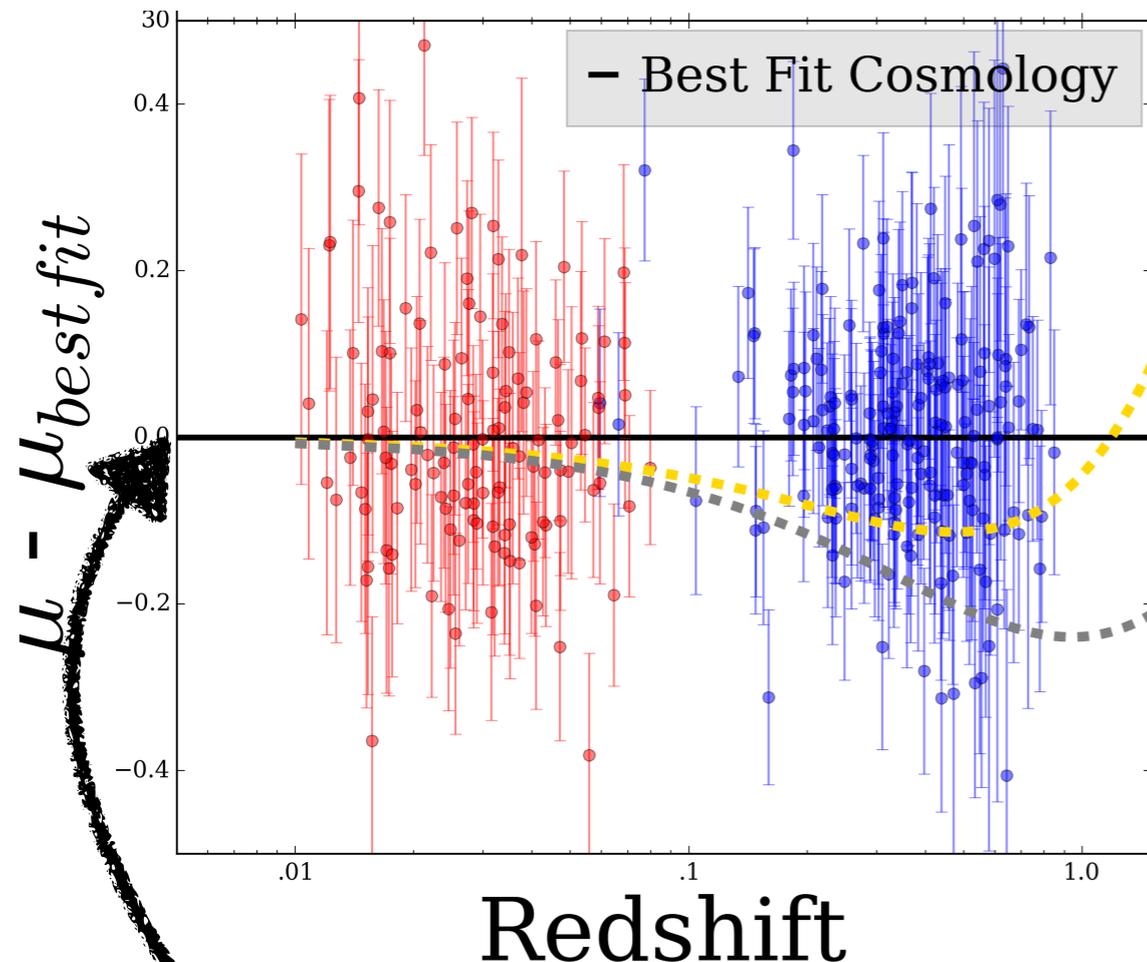
filters; instruments; cadence; selection...

Supernova cosmology: the challenge

Precision cosmology

today: LCDM v CDM

2025: LSST: wCDM?



Acceleration

No Dark Energy

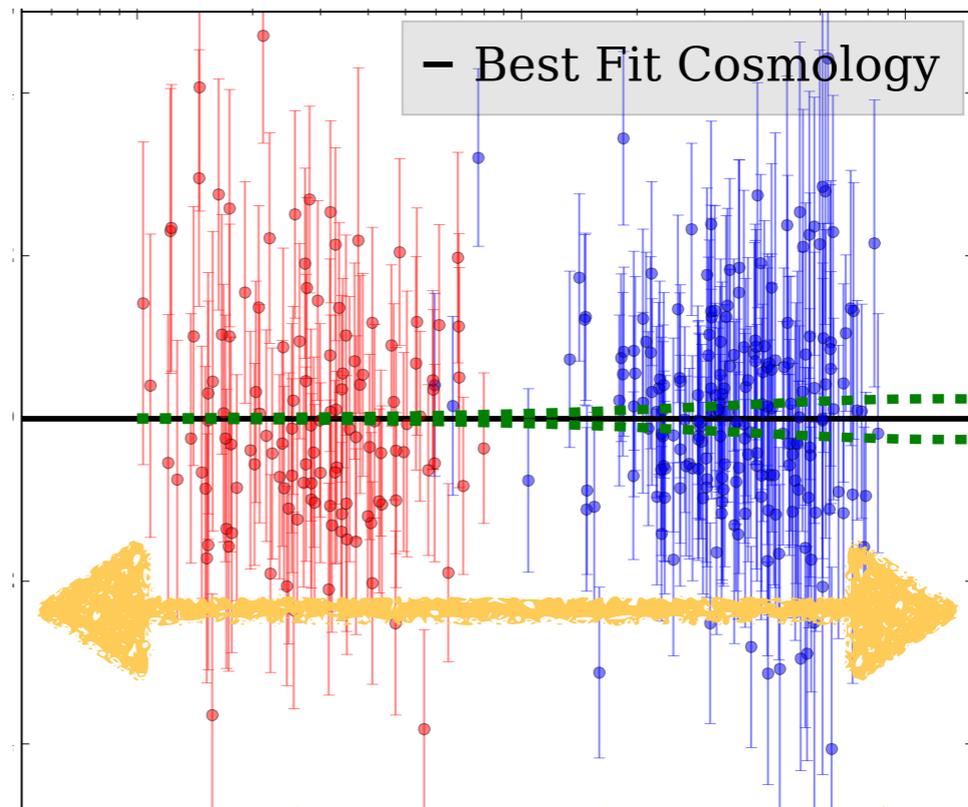
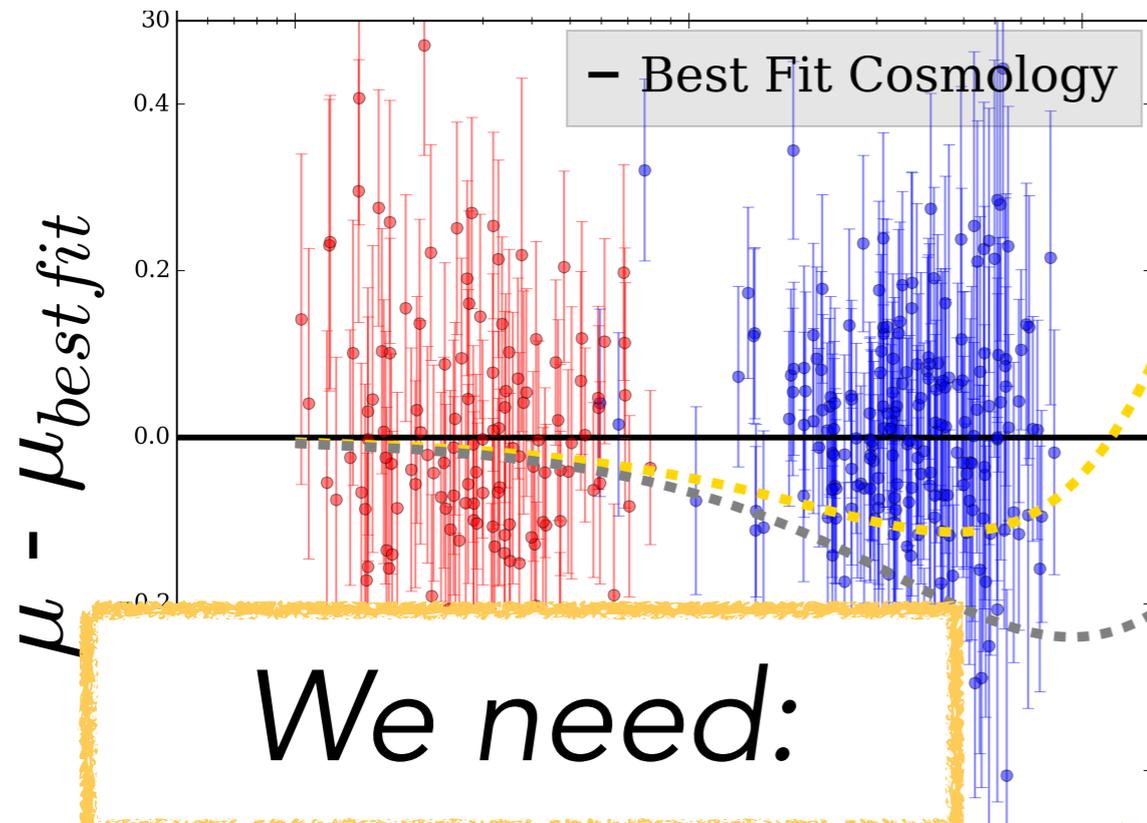
$w \neq -1$

Supernova cosmology: the challenge

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We need:

One survey; one strategy

LSST (or, first-up, **DES...**)

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THE DARK ENERGY SURVEY: IN ONE SLIDE

One survey, comprised of multiple probes, to determine the nature of cosmic acceleration

“EVERYTHING WITH ONE SURVEY”

“LSST-light”

DES-Wide

- 5000 deg² in *grizY*: $r_{AB} \sim 24.3, i_{AB} \sim 23.5$ (10σ)
- Large Scale Structure, Weak Lensing & Galaxy Clustering

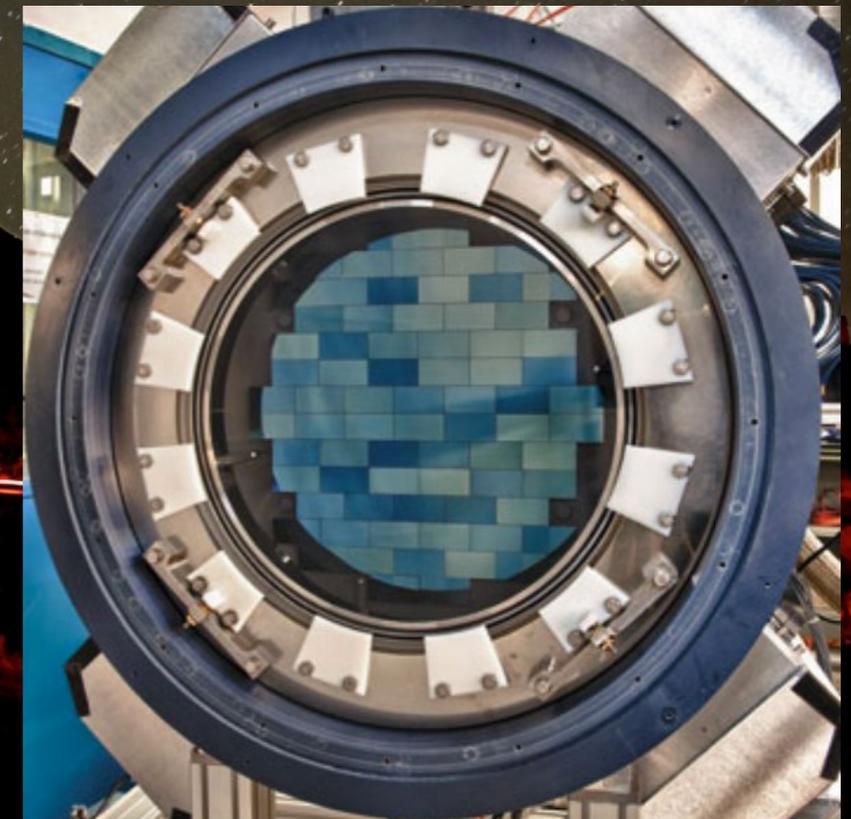
DES-SN

- ~ 6-day cadenced *griz* survey over 27 deg²
- Type Ia supernovae & other transients

Overall

- Probes of both Distance v Redshift & Growth of Structure
- Multiple probes to break degeneracies & minimise systematics
- Lots of ancillary science (understatement alert)

- **First WF cosmology results recently released ...**
- **Most distant SN discovered ...**
- **Multiple MW satellites discovered ...**
- **New population of fast transients discovered ...**
 - **and so much more ...**



THE DARK ENERGY SURVEY: SUPERNOVA PROGRAM

- 10 fields (8 shallow, 2 deep) in 4 filters (griz)
- Every 7 nights, for 5+ months for 5 years

} **~3500 SNIa**

Basically: LSST DDF / 10

SN C Fields



C1

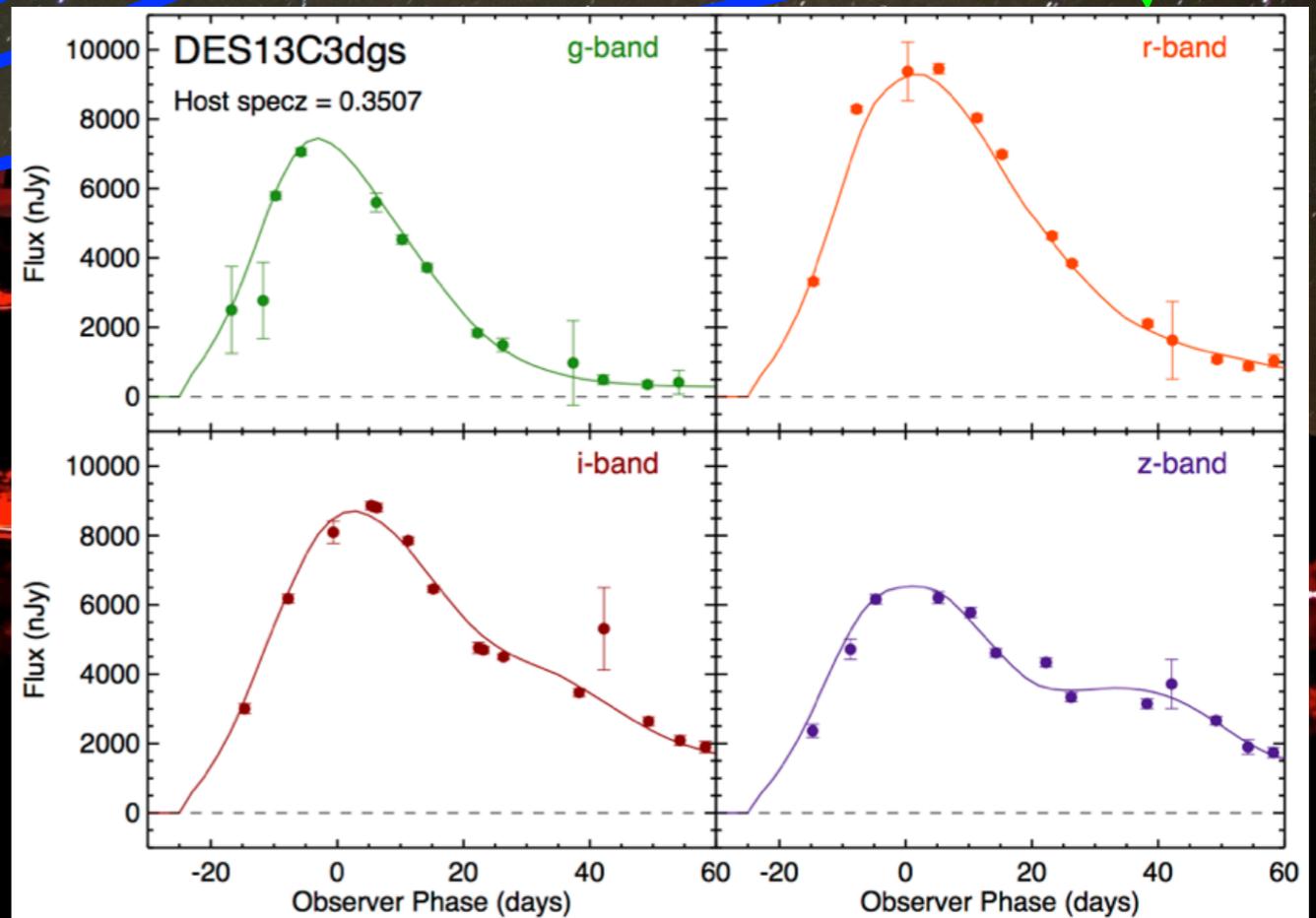
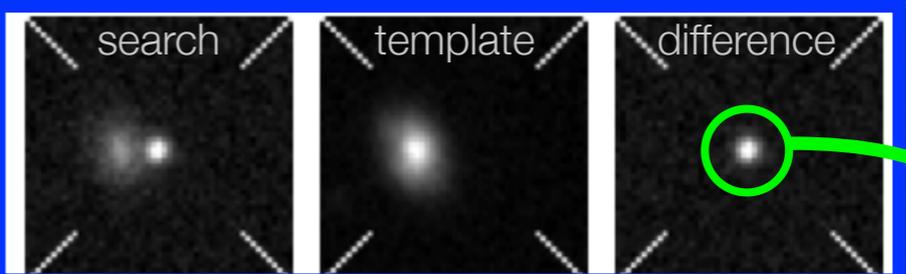
C3

r/i~24.5

This is the LSST depth

C2

r/i~23.5



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TO FIND, CHARACTERISE & FOLLOW 3000+ SN TO $z > 1$

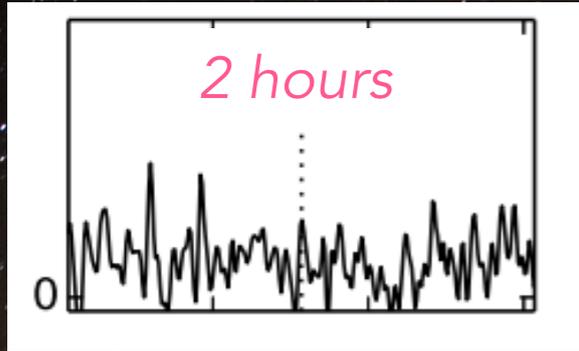
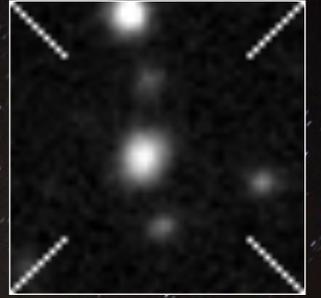
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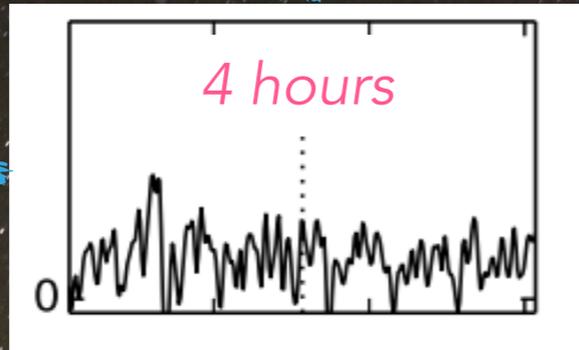


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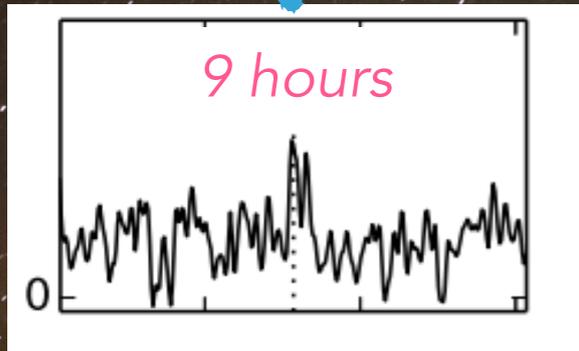
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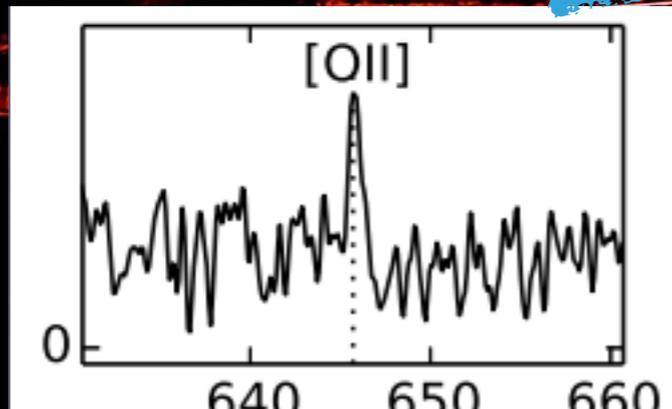
+ 2 hours



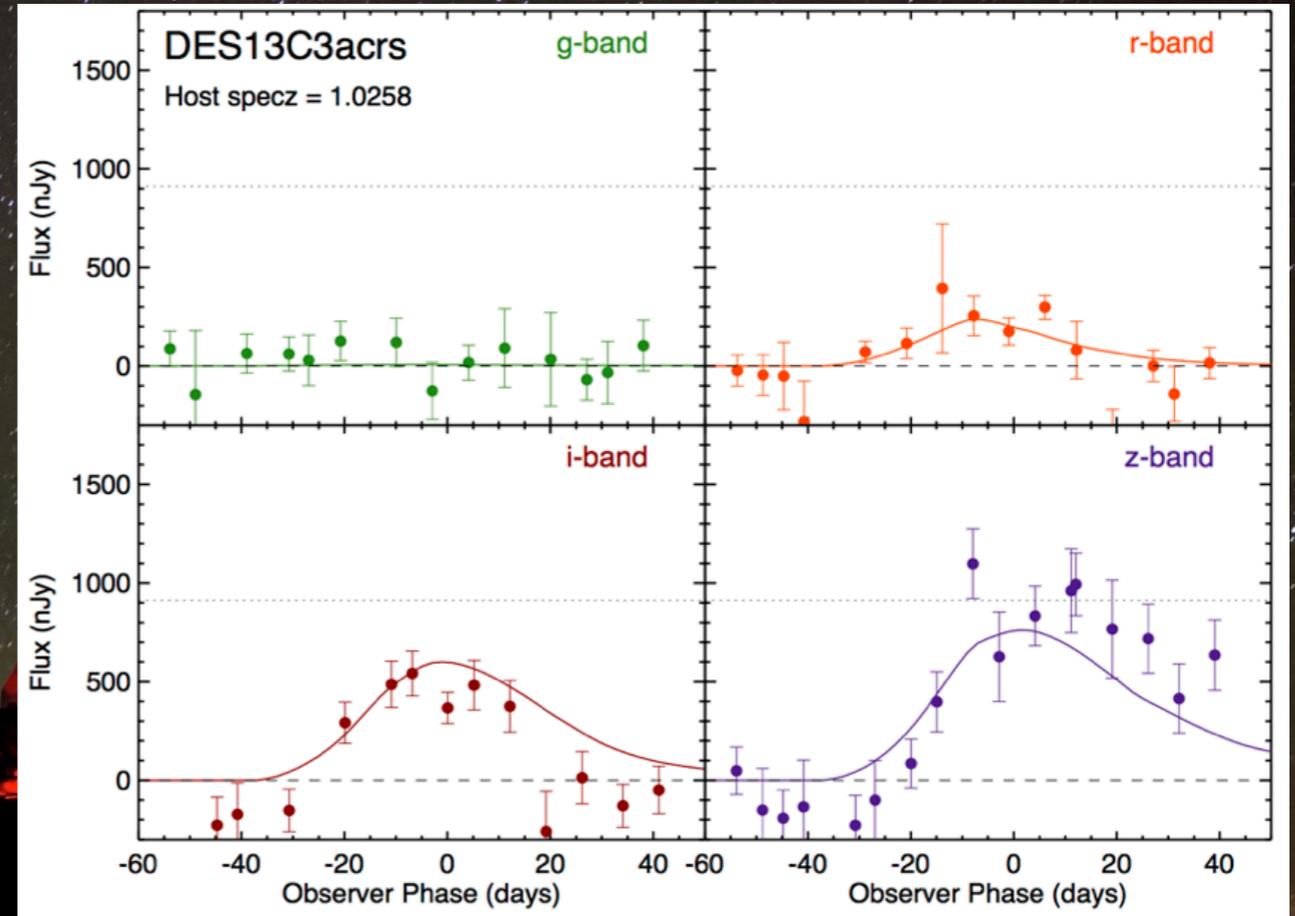
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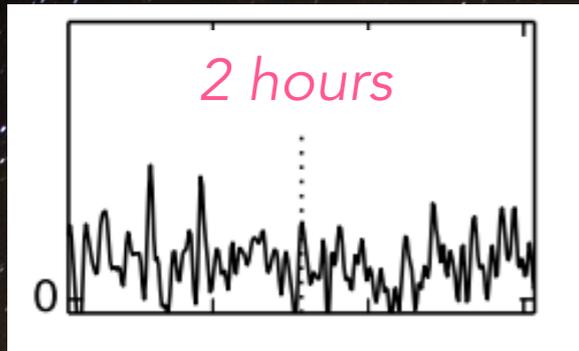
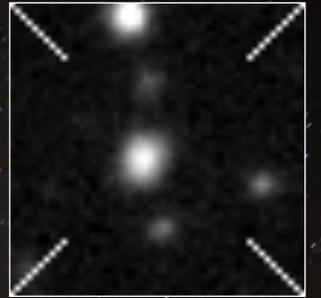
15 hours on source: $z=1.03$



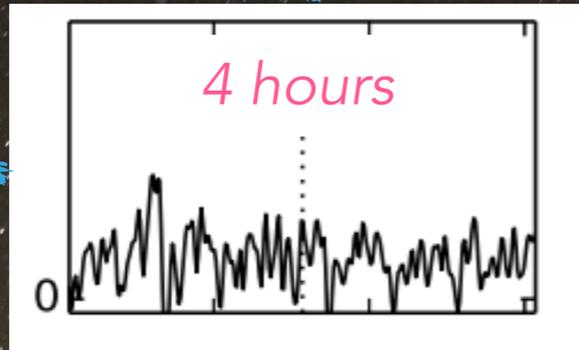
***SN exploded in 2013;
redshift obtained in 2016
Most SNe not confirmed***

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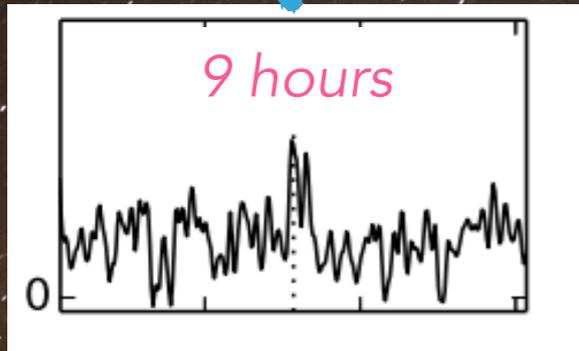
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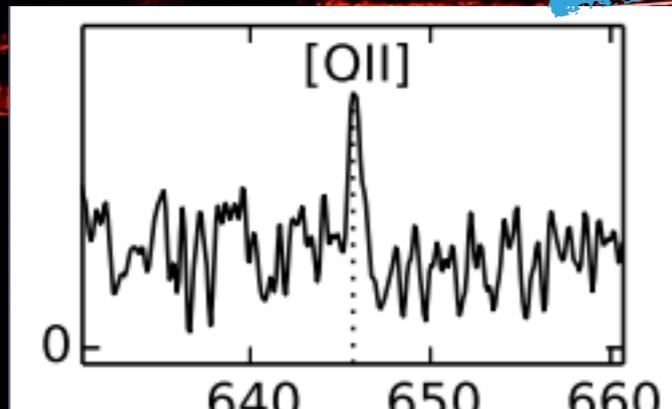
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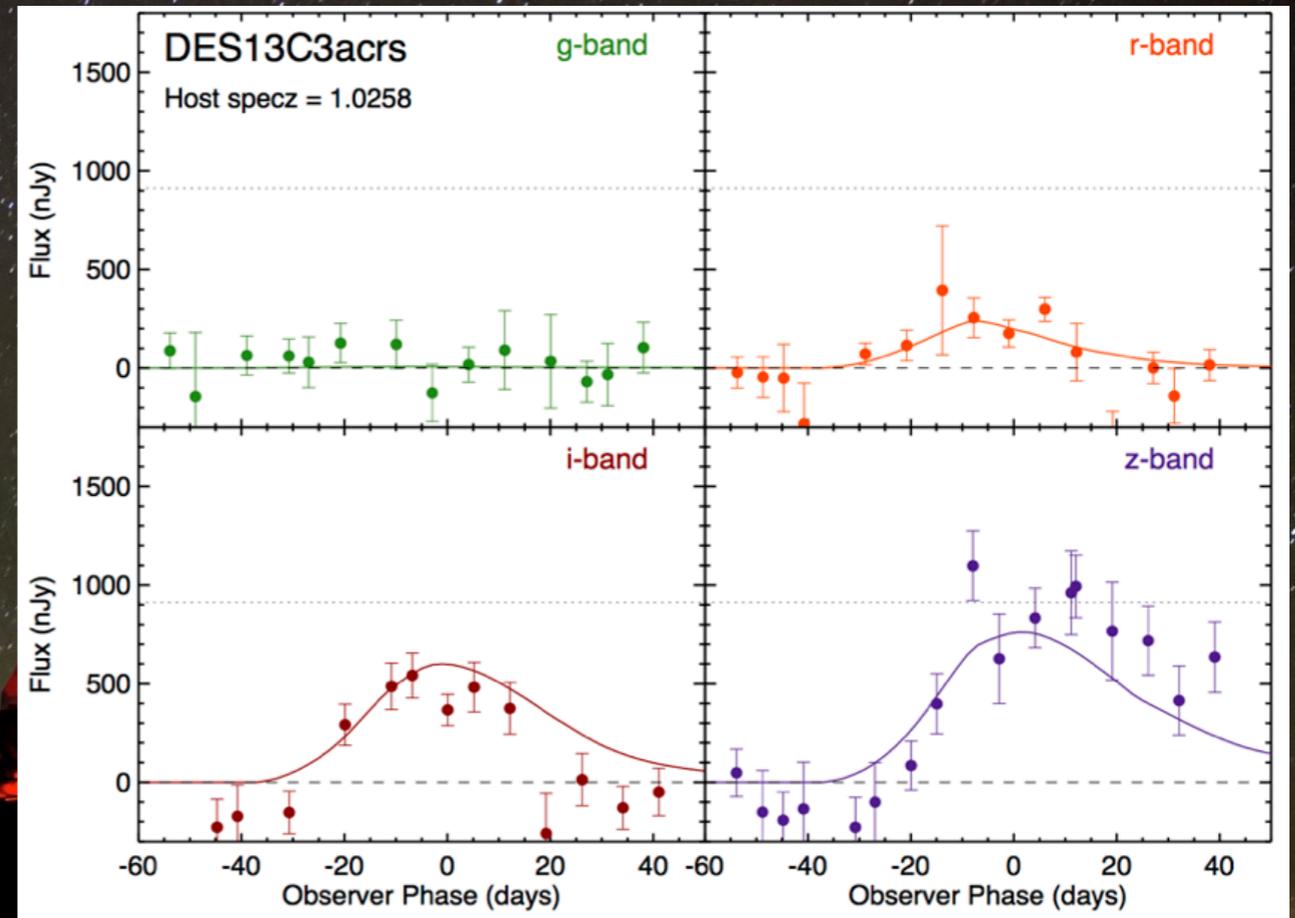
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LSST 1-0-1

ended in 2013;

resumed in 2016

Most SNe not confirmed

DES-SN: where we are:

SURVEY

N_SNIa

wErr (stat + sys)

JLA (2014)

740

0.054

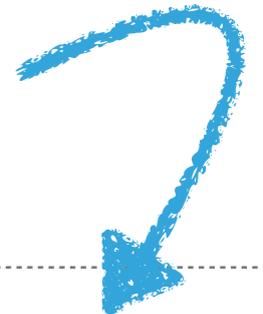
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0.04

Consistent calibration but
fewer systematics considered

"the same"



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DES 3YR (2018)

334 *(206 DES)*

0.057

DES 5YR (2021)

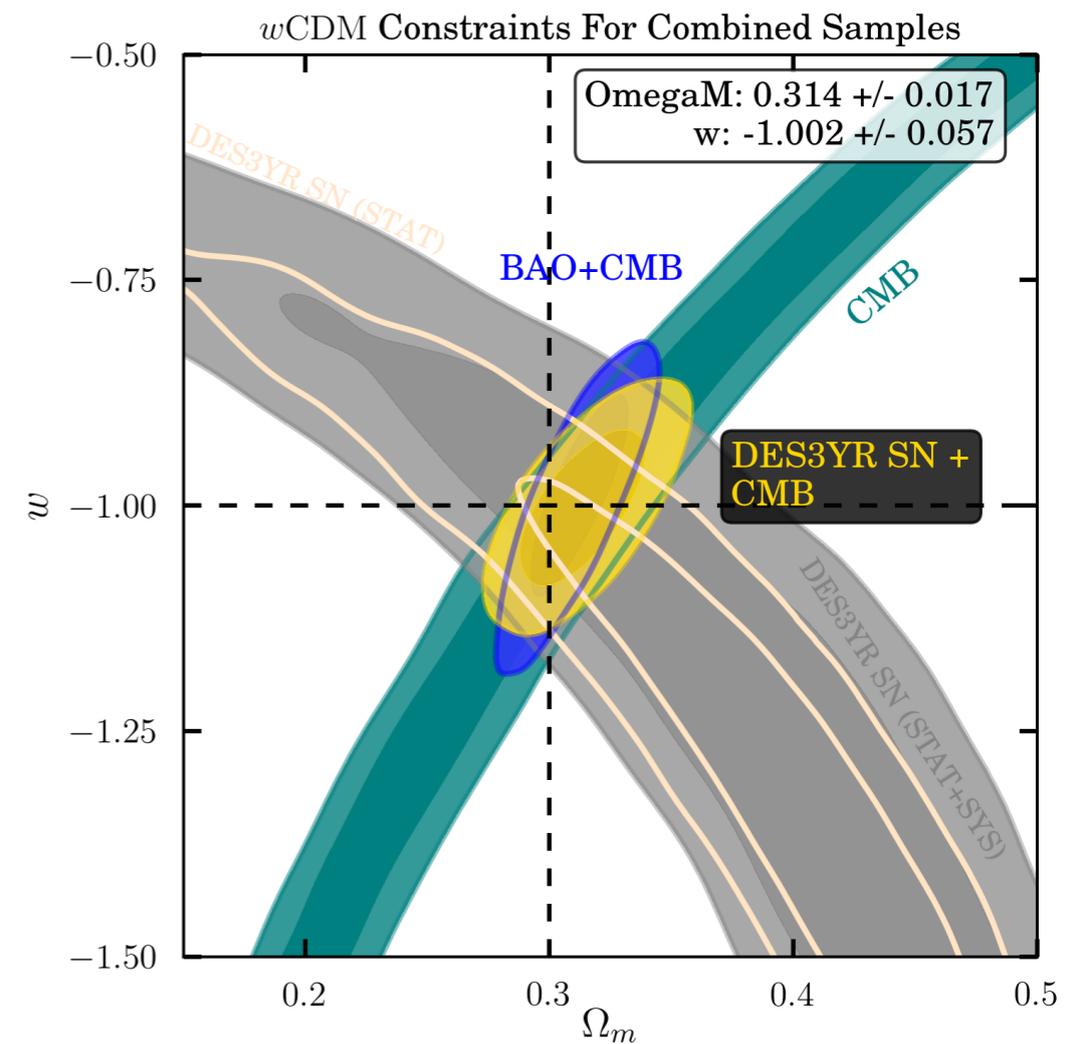
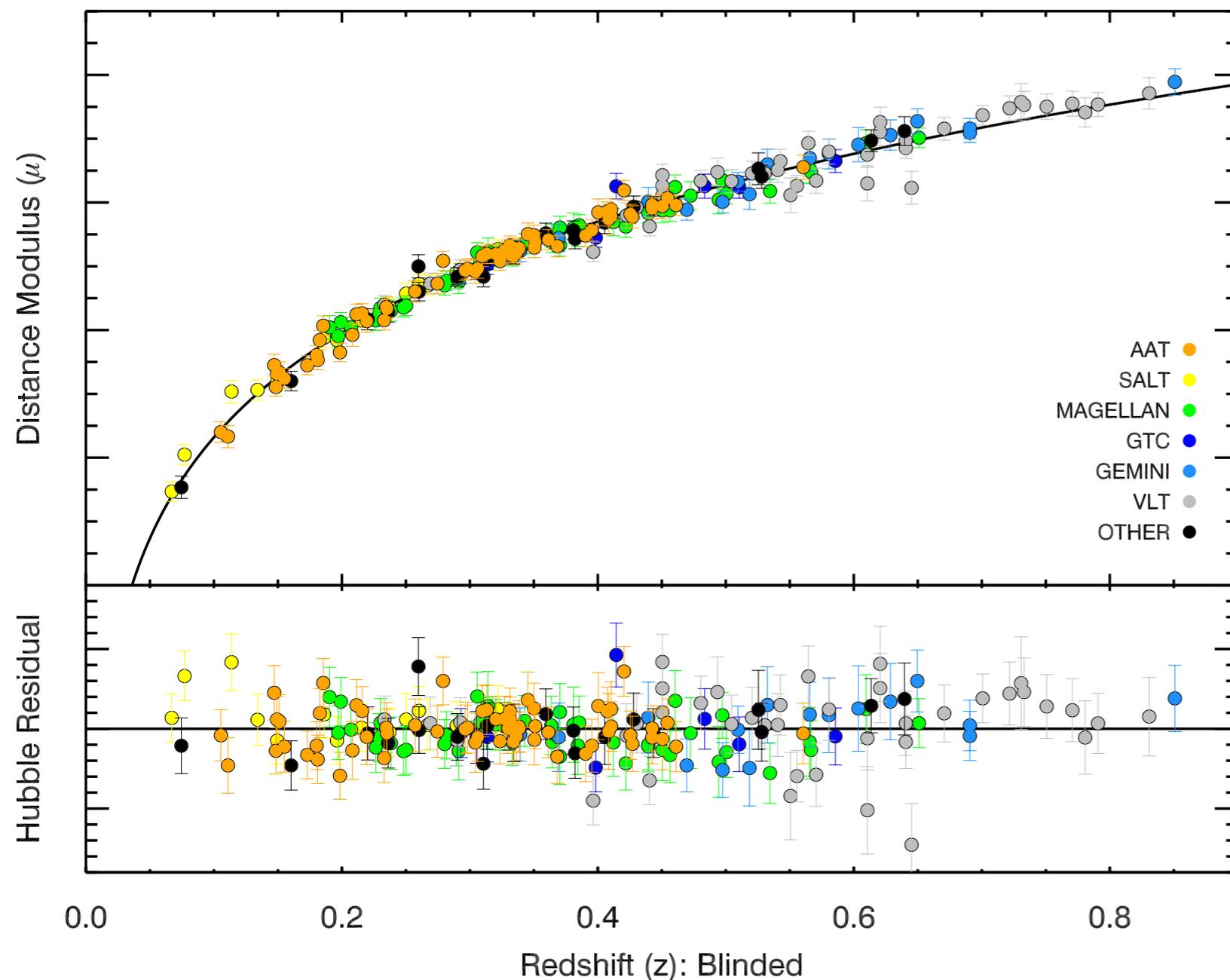
~1800

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DES-3YR: Cosmology

Hubble Diagram:

spec-conf only



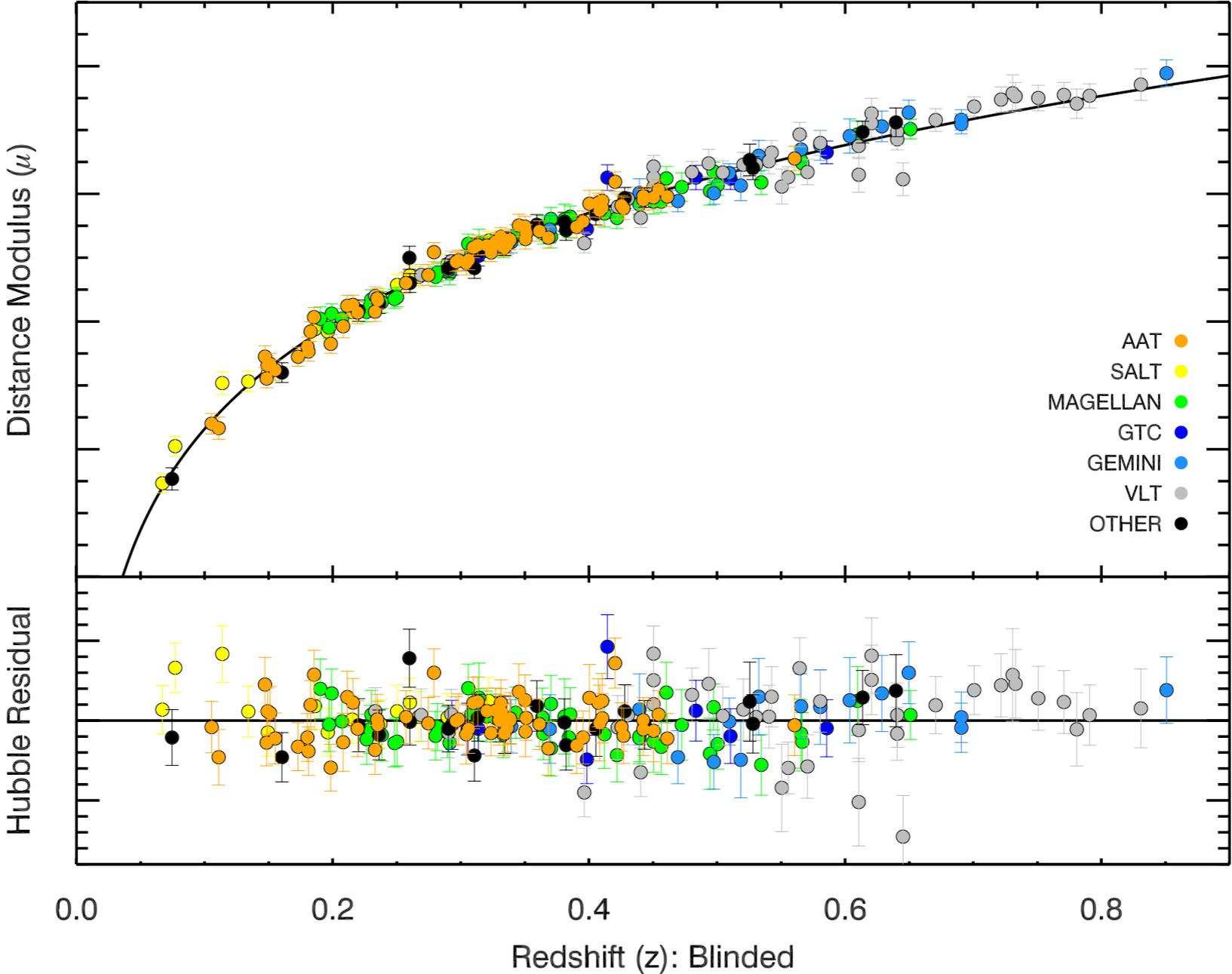
$$w = -1.002 \pm 0.057$$

the power of calibration:

200 SN == 750 SN

'best constraints today'

DES-SN: What's coming



200 SN

DES-SN: What's coming

Cosmology coming in 2021

1800 SN

DES-3YR: Systematics

Description ^b	σ'_w	$\sigma'_w / \sigma_w^{\text{stat}}$	w shift
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^e w, Ω_M for bias corr	0.006	0.14	0.001
[Redshift]	[0.012]	[0.29]	[0.003]
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Systematics dominate today!

+ photometric classification

DES is systematics limited

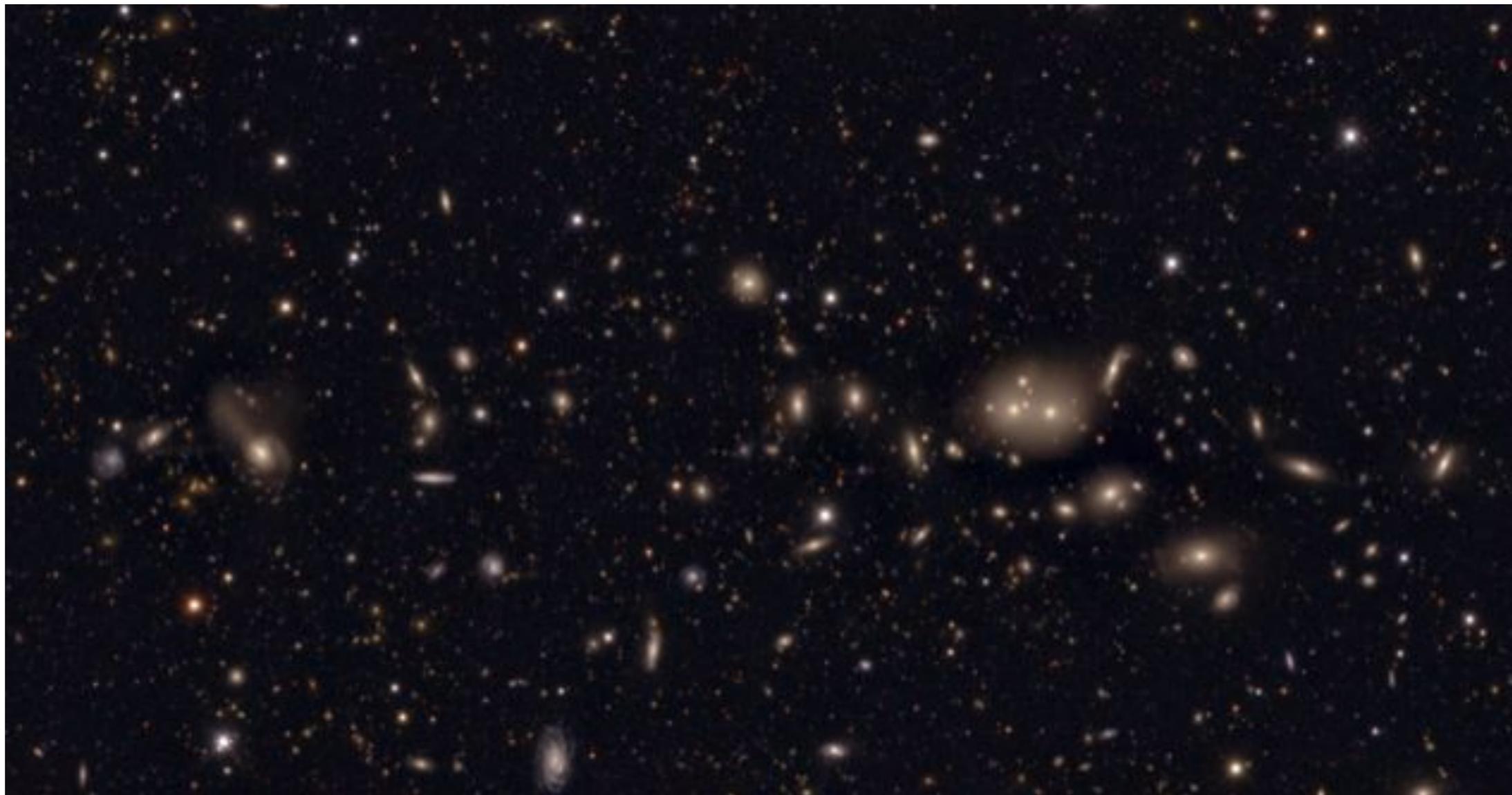
LSST == DES+++

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Astrophysical
uncertainties
dominant...

limiting systematic

Host galaxy studies



correlations between SN and host:

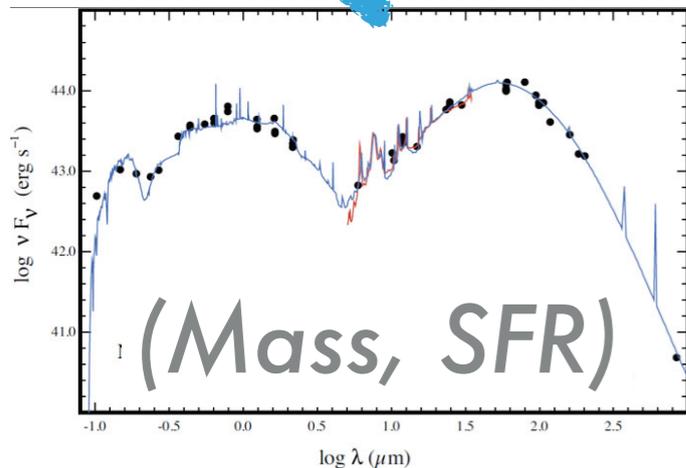
improve standardisation

insights into astrophysical scatter

Host galaxy studies:

206 SNe $\xrightarrow{\text{very deep stacks}}$

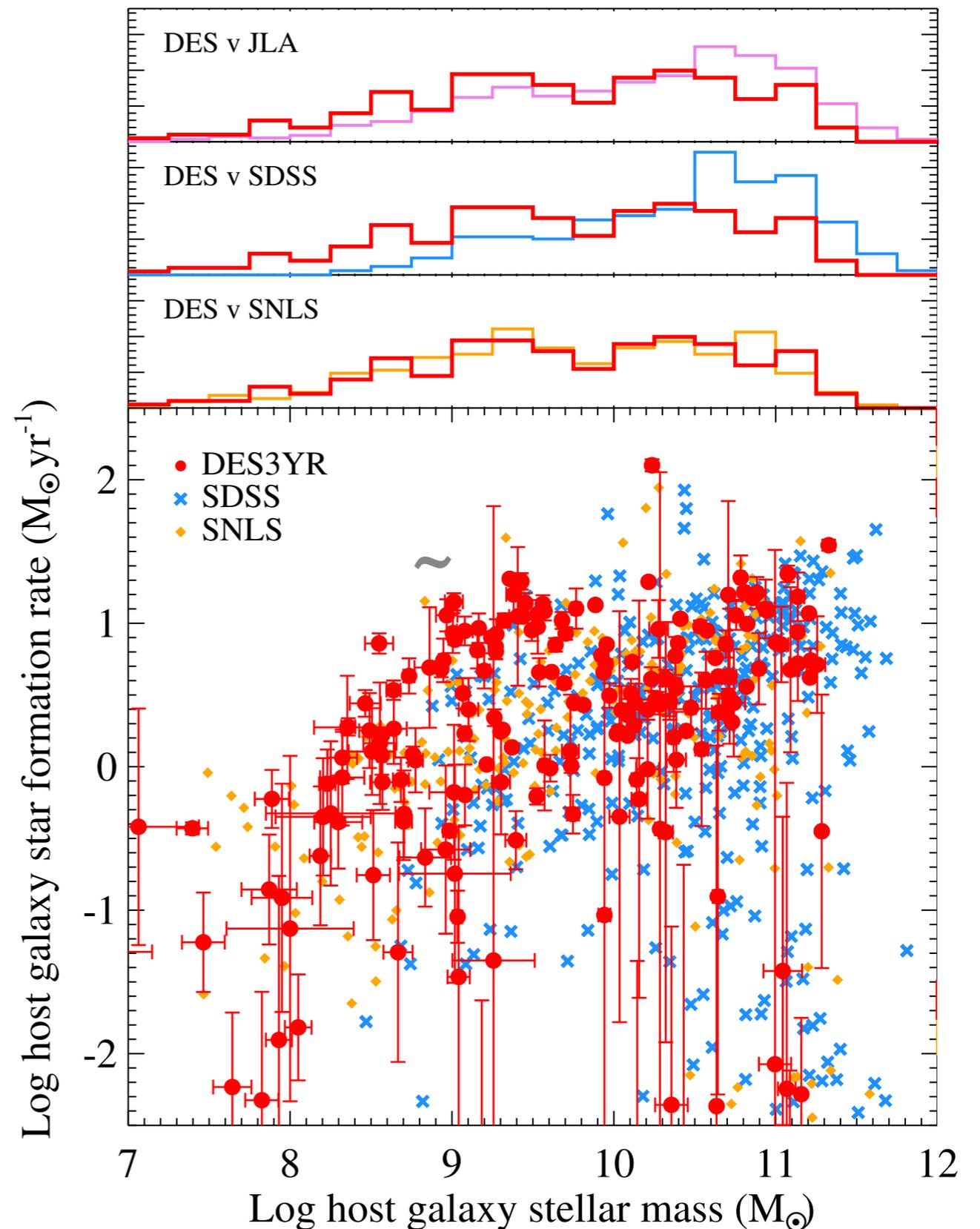
SEDfit \rightarrow 202 Hosts



SNe Ia found in:

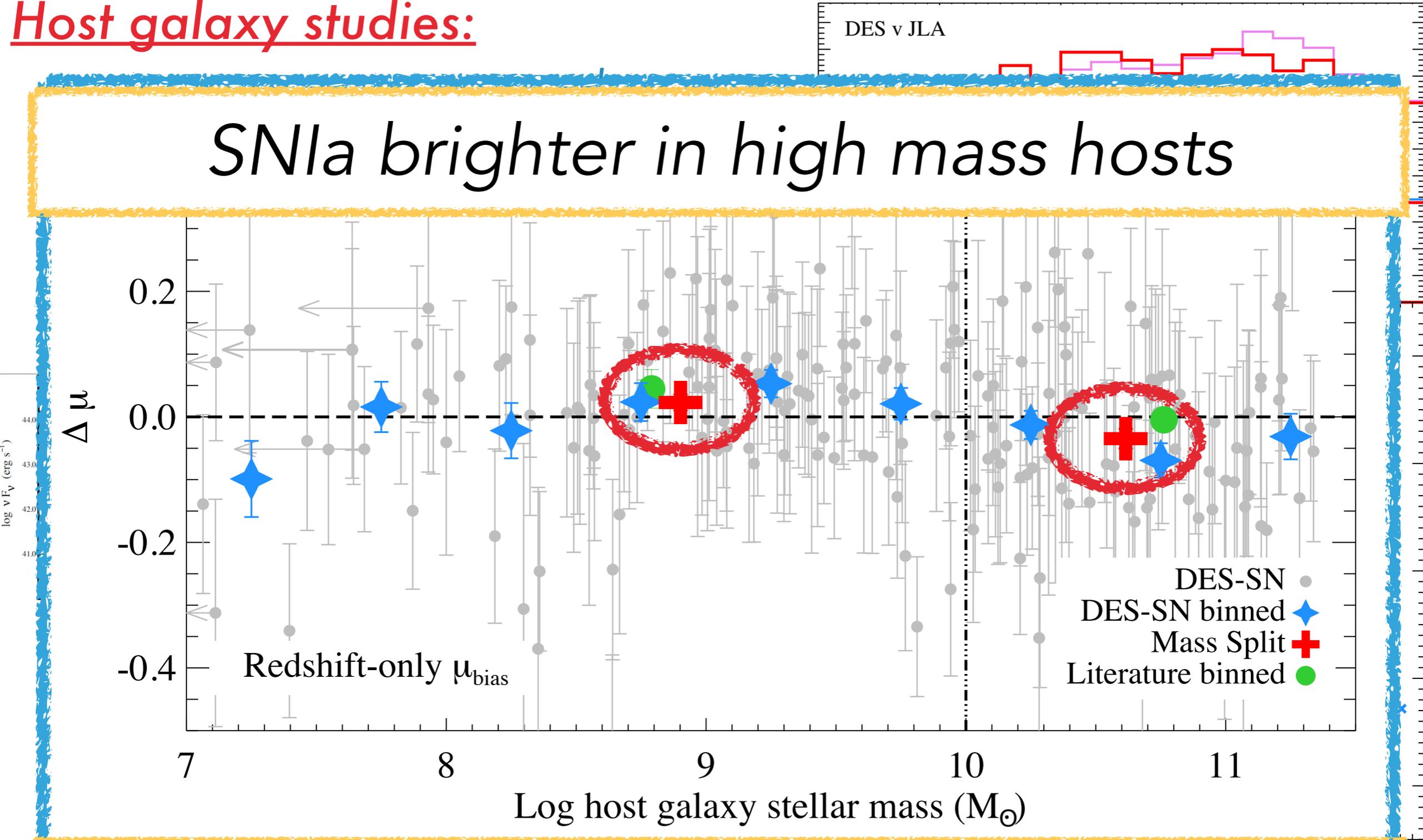
70%: low mass + SF'ing
30%: high mass + passive

Key: mass estimates are stable



Host galaxy studies:

SNIa brighter in high mass hosts



Key parameter in cosmology

SN cosmology in 2020:

distance

$$\mu = m_B - M + \alpha \times x_1 - \beta \times c + \gamma + \mu_{\text{bias}}$$

nuisance parameter

SN observable

Mass term

step function

split at:

$$M_* = 10$$

Selection term:

Previously:

$$\mu_{\text{bias}} = f(z)$$

'1D'

For DES3YR:

$$\mu_{\text{bias}} = f(z, x_1, c)$$

'5D'

+ α, β

effectively:

$$\mu = (m_B - \Delta m_B) - M + \alpha \times (x_1 - \Delta x_1) - \beta \times (c - \Delta c) + \gamma$$

selection terms: the "BBC" formalism

Results:

Mass term

step function

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Sample	Biascor	Best-fit γ
DES-SN	5D	0.040 ± 0.019
DES3YR	5D	0.043 ± 0.018
Pantheon	5D	0.053 ± 0.009
PS1	5D	0.039 ± 0.016
DES-SN	1D	0.066 ± 0.020
DES3YR	1D	0.064 ± 0.019
SNLS5YR	1D	0.070 ± 0.013
JLA	1D	0.070 ± 0.023
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$\gamma \sim 0.045$

???

$\gamma \sim 0.065$

what happened?
what's right?

'2020':

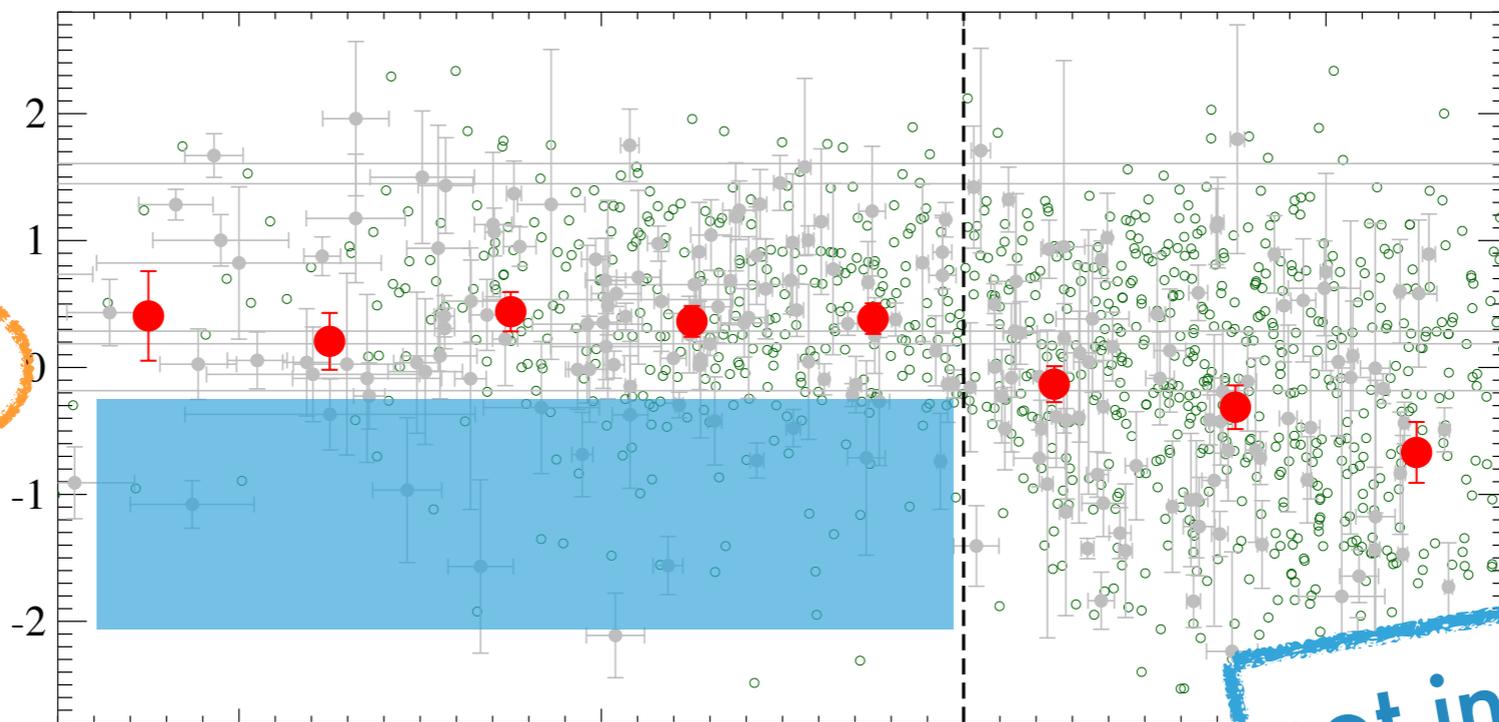
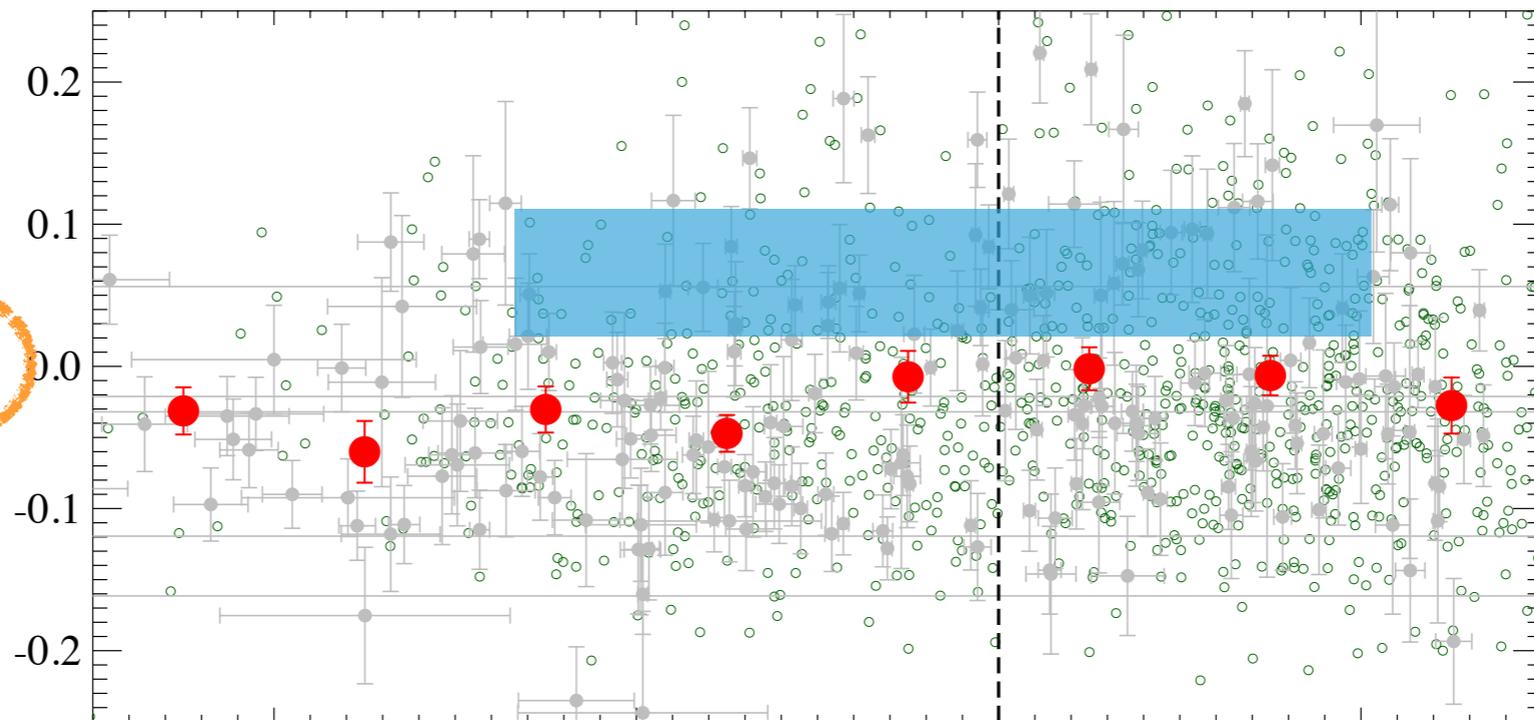
'2015':

SN assumed independent of host:

$$\mu_{\text{bias}} = f(z, x_1, c)$$

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SN parameters



but

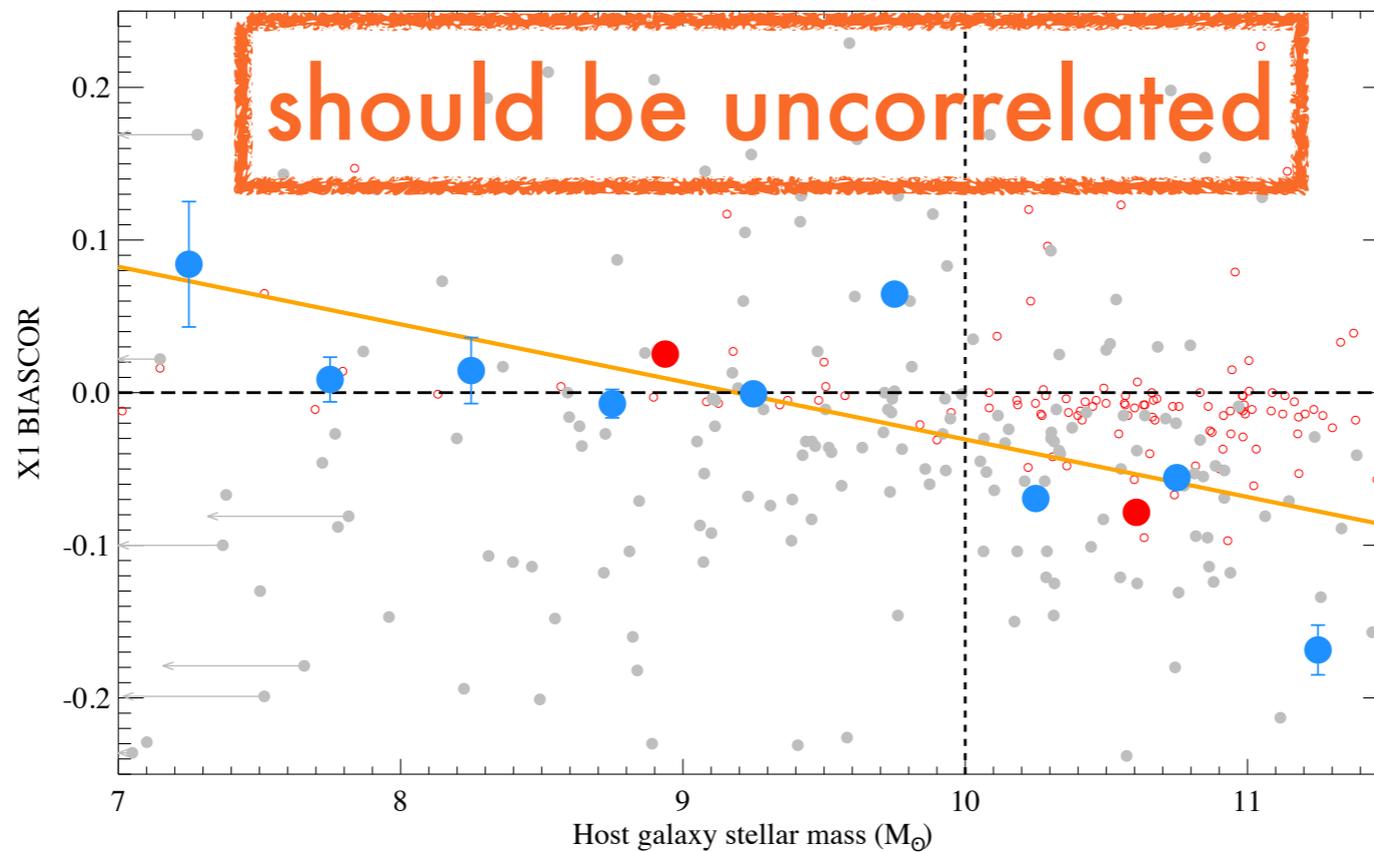
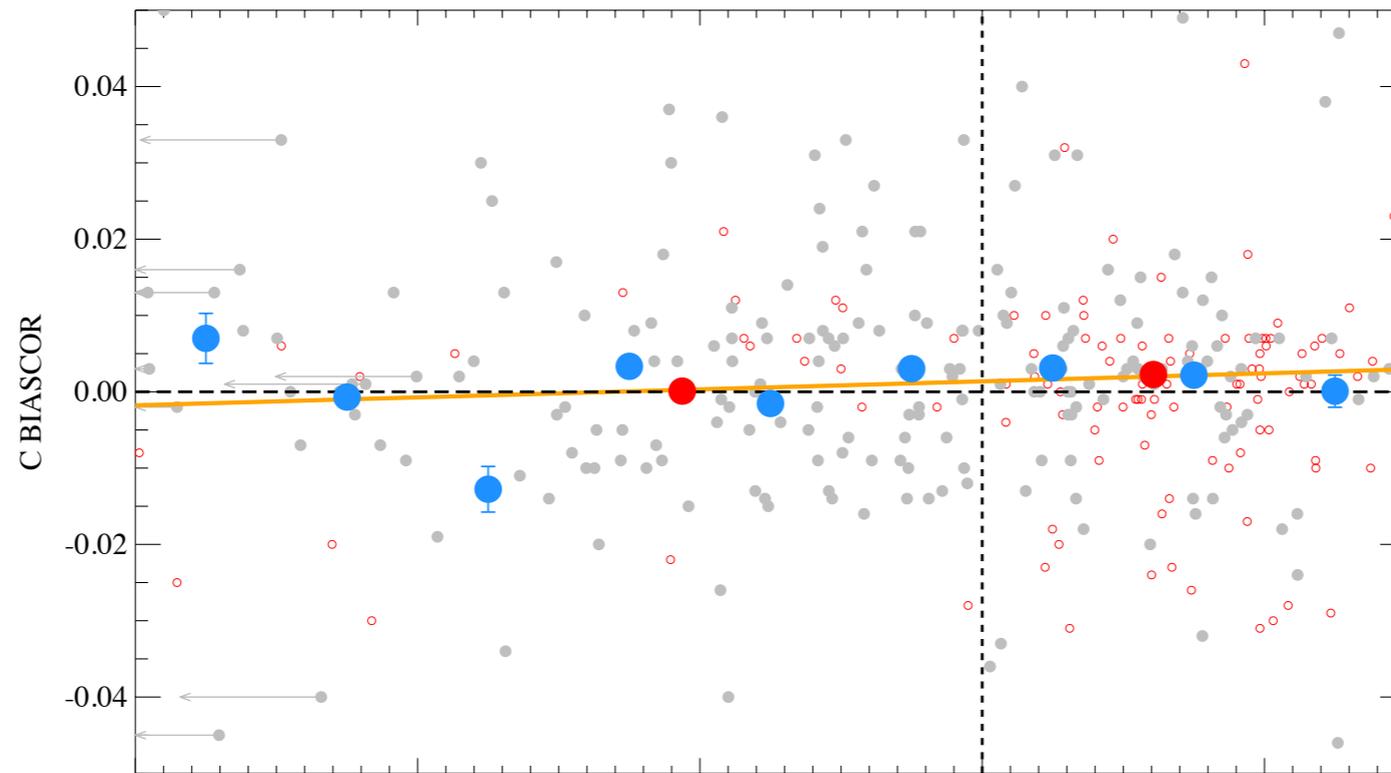
not independent:

Host galaxy stellar mass (M_{\odot})

SO

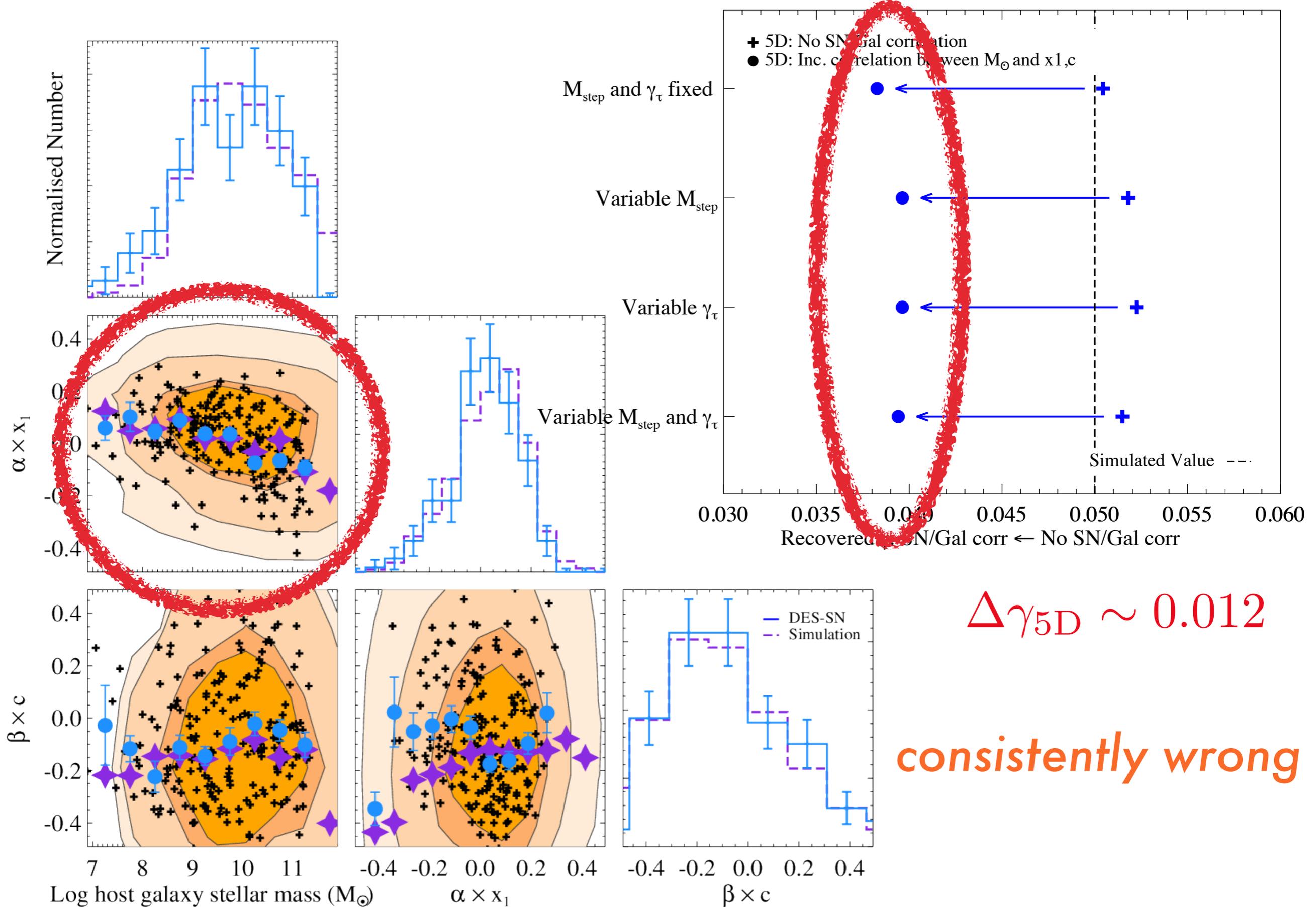
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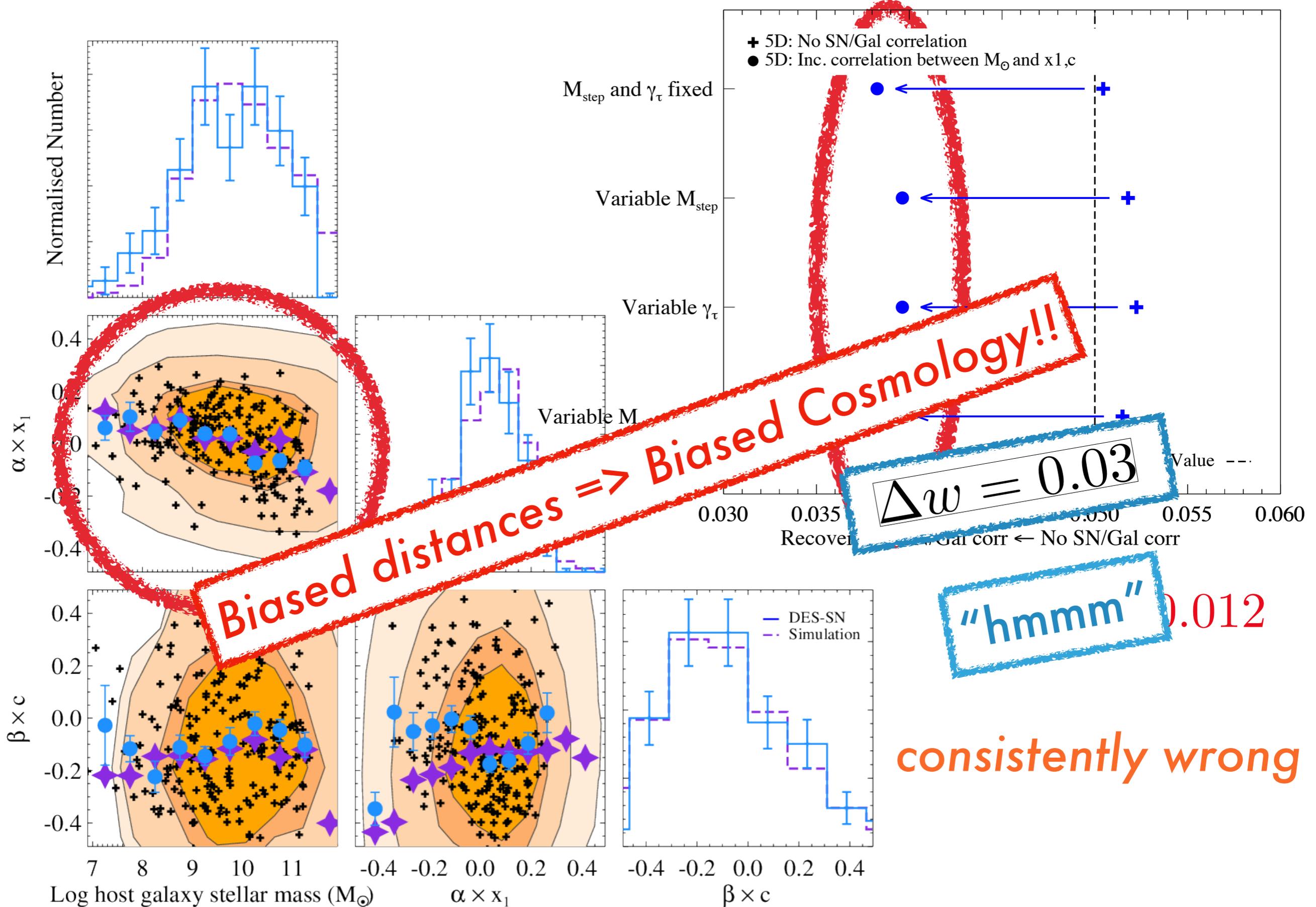


← bias??

from 'realistic' simulations:



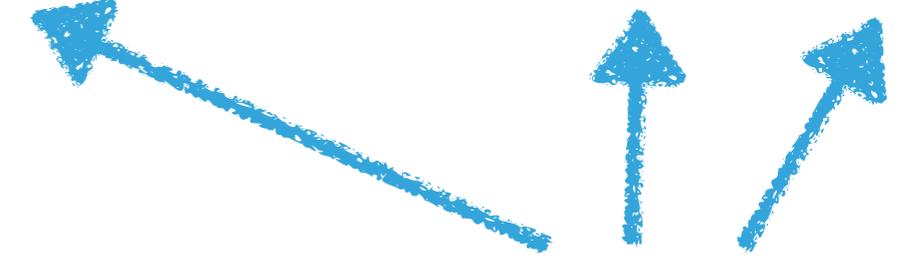
from 'realistic' simulations:



“The solution”:

7D correction

$$\mu = (m_B - \Delta m_B) - M + \alpha \times (x_1 - \Delta x_1) - \beta \times (c - \Delta c) + \gamma$$



now allow for correlations

but

Also M^ isn't the truth, and it's degenerate with SFR, dust, sSFR, Z, local, ...*

in all cases still need to get SN/host correlation right

...

also:

$$\mu = (m_B - \Delta m_B) - M + \alpha \times \left(\frac{\Delta x_1}{c} \right) - \beta \times (c - \Delta c) + \gamma$$

is mass the right parameter?

'local colour' is better?

...

DES-SN: Astrophysical systematics

DES-5YR is ideal for this

*need to understand SELECTION,
CONTAMINATION and UNDERLYING
CORRELATIONS
==> lots of SIMULATIONS
(ongoing)*

intriguing early results: ask me in a couple of months ;)

That's it for now.

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precursor to LSST deep

200 SN == state-of-the-art

highlights the power of 'one survey' approach

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