



Cosmology in the Multi-messenger Era



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Outline

- Introduction and background
- Motivation, basic idea of my main project
- Methodology and results
- A parallel project
- Future perspective

Introduction

- Local distance ladder

$$H_0 = 74.03 \pm 1.42 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

(Riess et al, 2019)

- CMB constraints

$$H_0 = 67.36 \pm 0.54 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

(Planck collaboration, 2018)

- Tension now 3.8σ

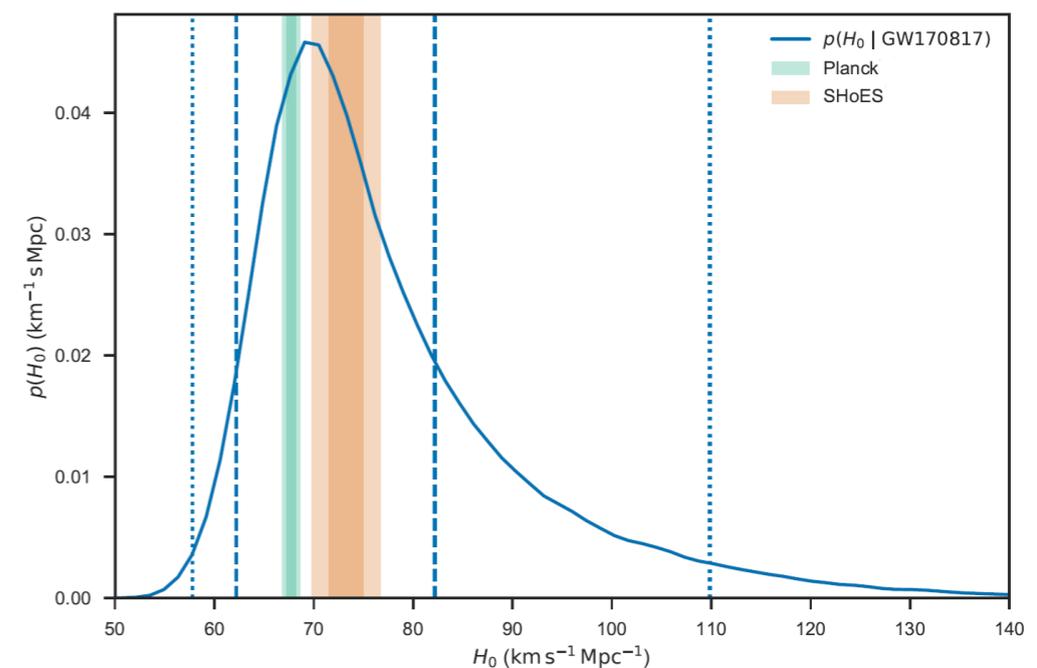
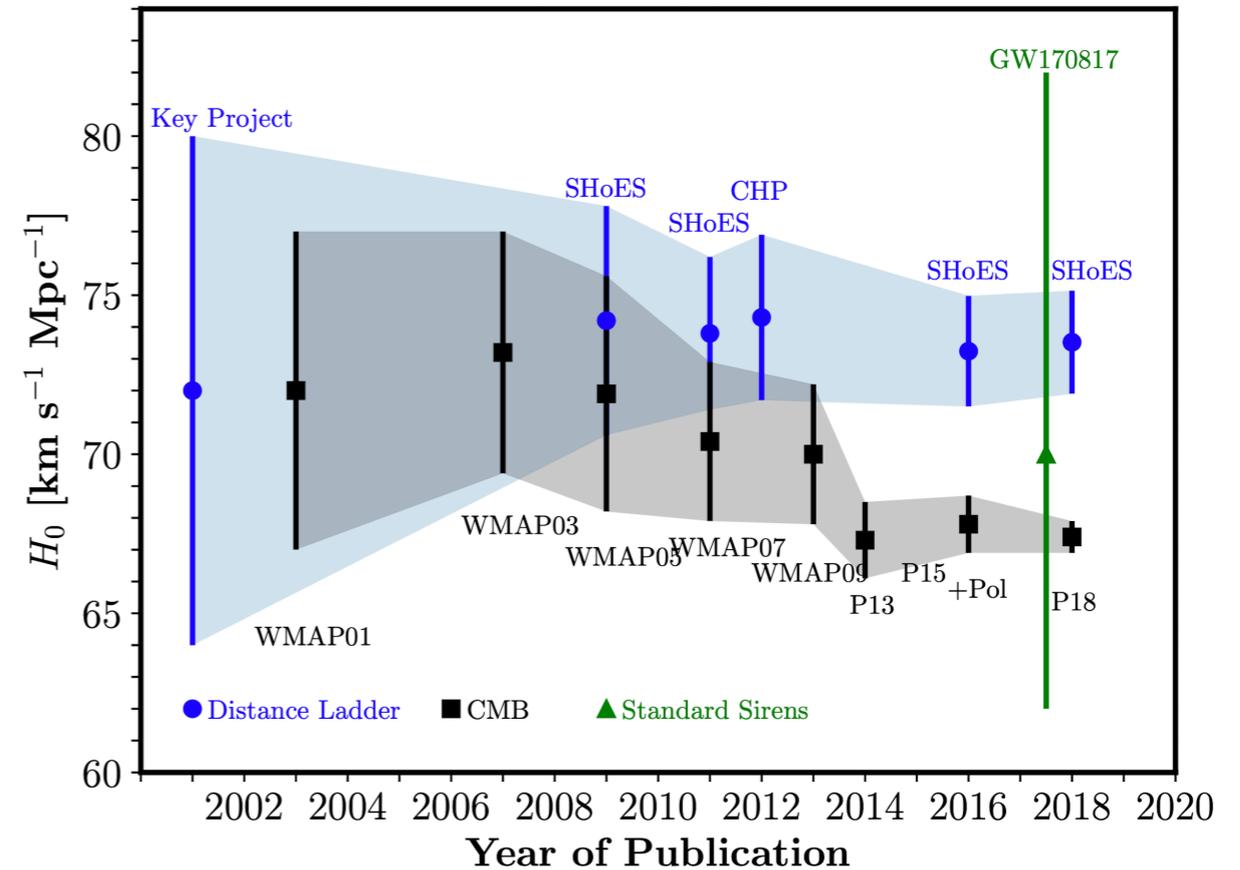
- Gravitational Waves

$$H_0 = 70.0^{+12.0}_{-8.0} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

(LVC collaboration, 2017)

- Exciting opportunity:

new physics or stronger concordance!!



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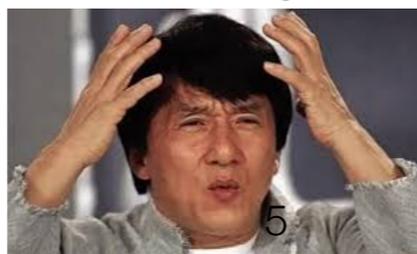
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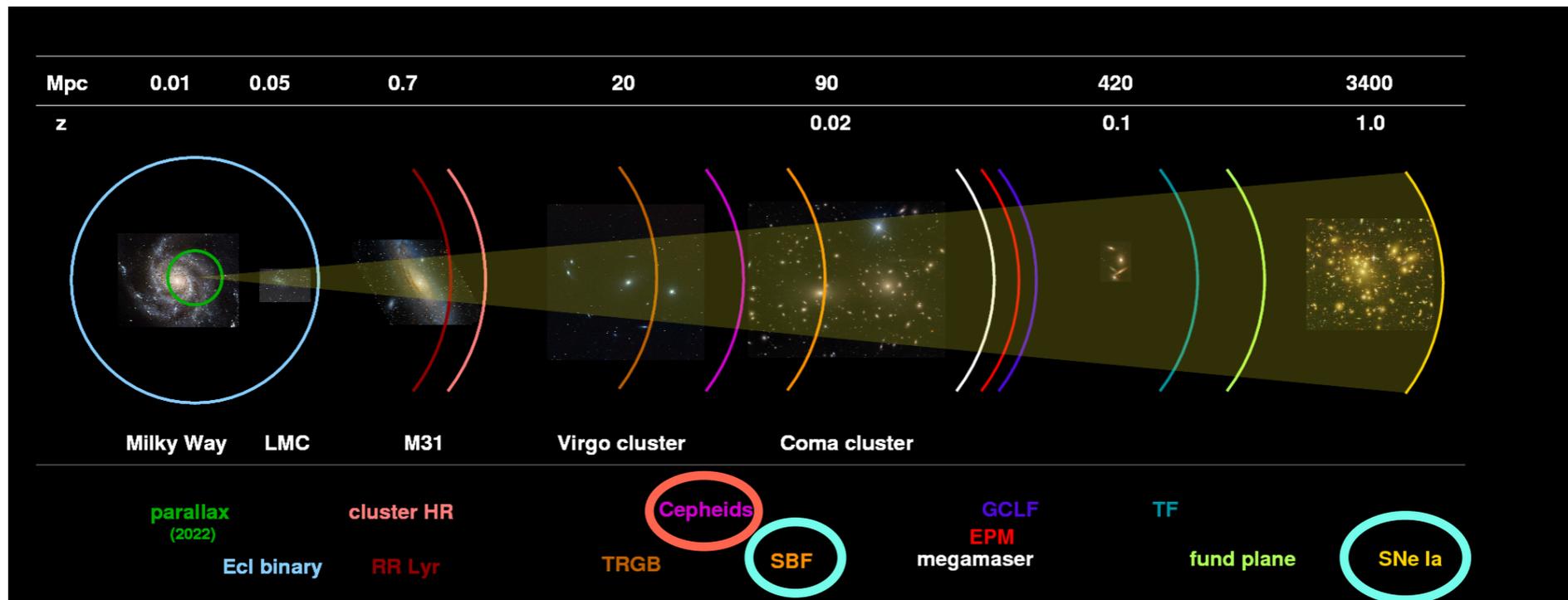


SNe Ia as Standard Candles

- Most influential measurements for H_0 in **local universe**, showed **evidence for accelerating universe**, Nobel Prize in 2011
- Many surveys to detect SNe for their use as distance probes
- Need a local ‘**anchor**’ to calibrate the luminosity, **Cepheids** have been used primarily, especially by Adam Riess
- Precise calibrating distances are crucial to determine the **SNe Ia empirical relations** for measuring distances
- We need alternative and independent methods to cross check and complement Cepheids (numbers, distance, host type)

My Intention

- To explore an alternate local distance probe : **Surface Brightness Fluctuations (SBF)** , for its use as calibrator for SNe Ia
- Compare Cepheids and SBF
- Estimate **Hubble-Lemaitre constant (H0)** and then measure other cosmological parameters



SBF

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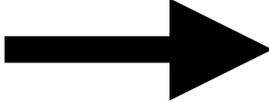


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- A measurement of the fluctuations in the mean intensity of stars encompassed by a CCD pixel.
- Needs a knowledge of galactic modelling, works well on **E/SO types**
- Future instruments like JWST will increase the SBF catalog

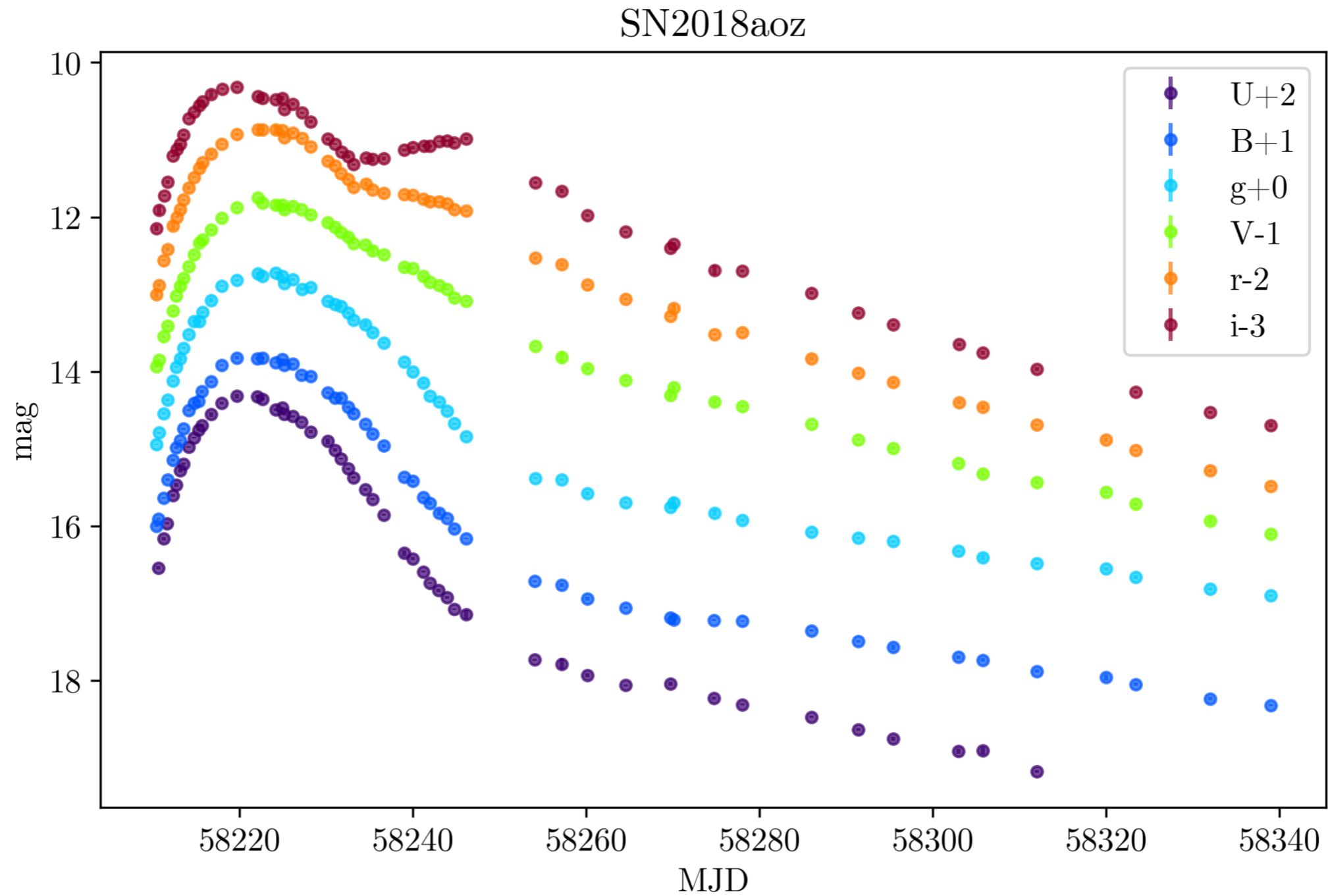
Methodology and Results

Calibrator Sample

- We select SNe Ia that exploded in galaxies having SBF distance estimates
 - We took multi wavelength Photometric **Light curves (LC)** of these SNe and the SBF distances to their host
 - Data sources : Online Catalogs, Literature, SNe group for recent objects
 - Filtering - B and V band data, Data quality and cadence, colour and shape
-  A sample of well observed **29 calibrator objects** with **SBF distances**

- **SHOES sample** as a control sample - **19 spiral galaxies** hosting SNe Ia with **distances estimated using cepheids**

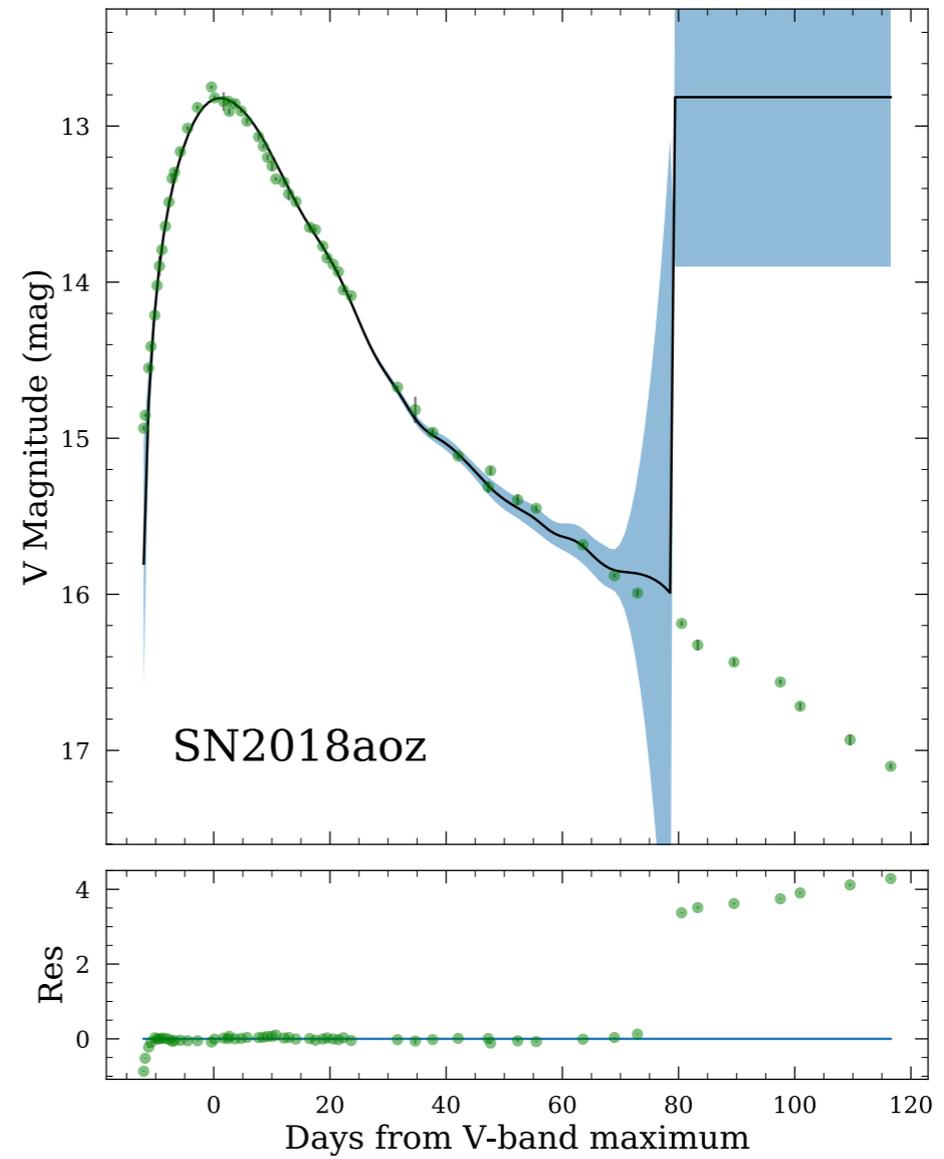
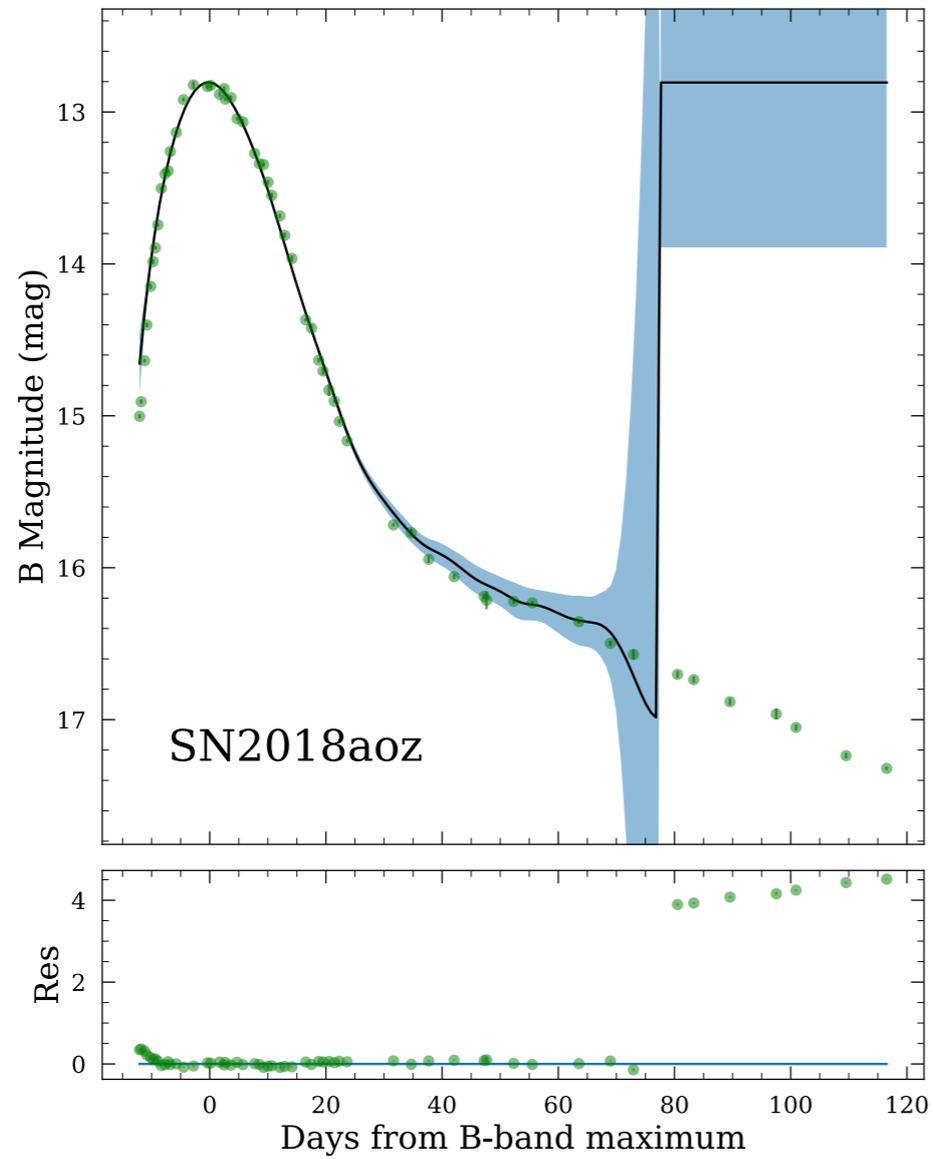
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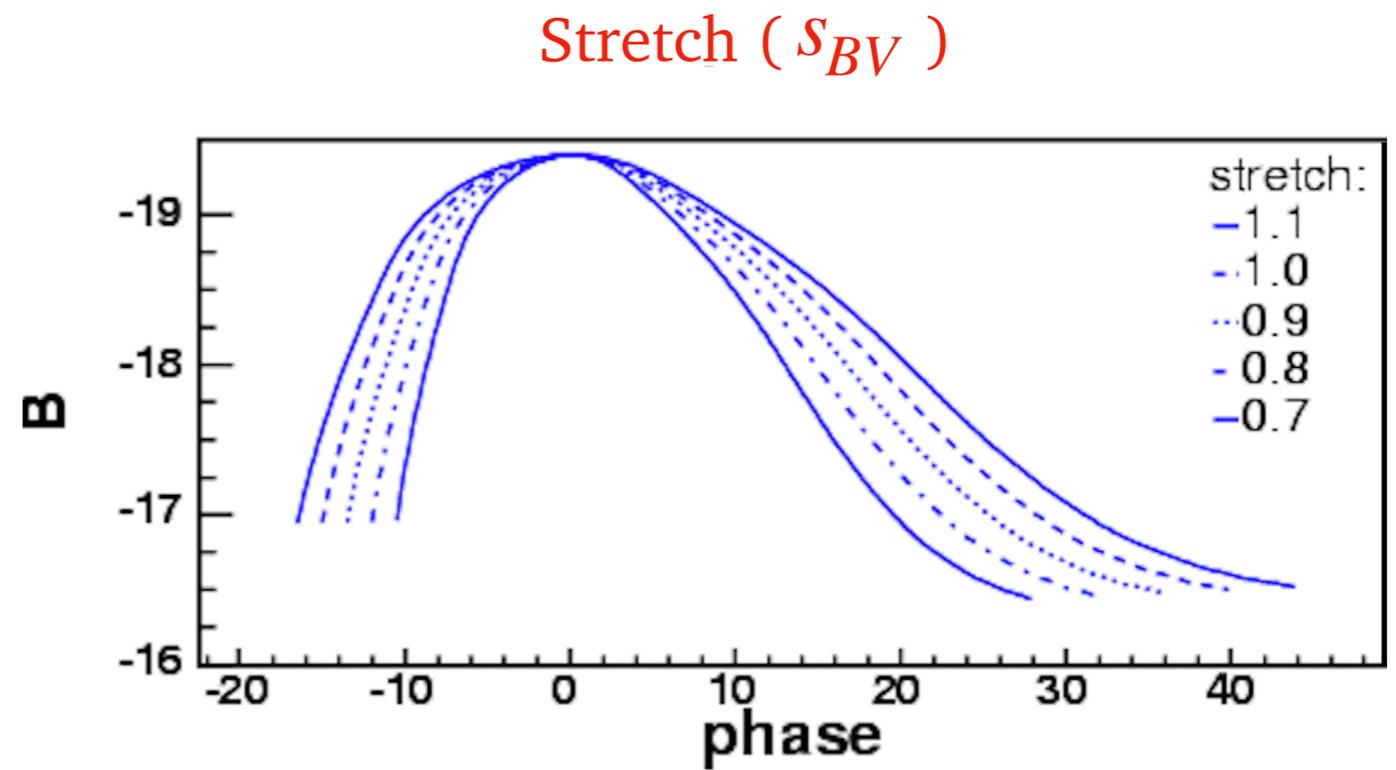
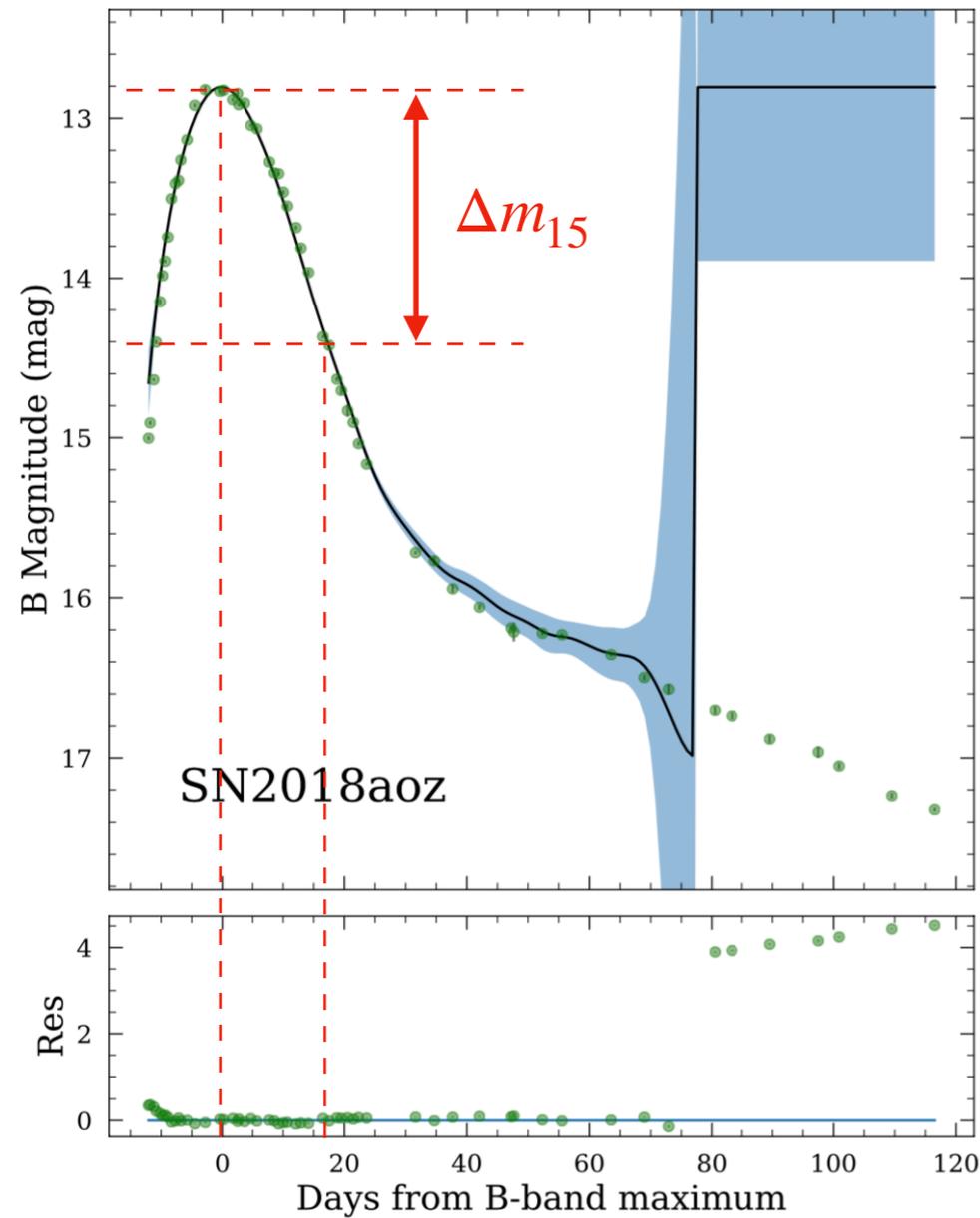
Light Curve fitting

- **SNooPy** - facilitates a python environment for fitting SNe light curves and calculating the fit parameters
- Get the maximum magnitude in each band (m_B, m_V) and the decline rate of the Light curve (Δm_{15} or s_{BV}) along with their uncertainties.
- Performed LC fitting for both **SBF sample** and **SHOES sample**

LC fitting



Δm_{15} and stretch



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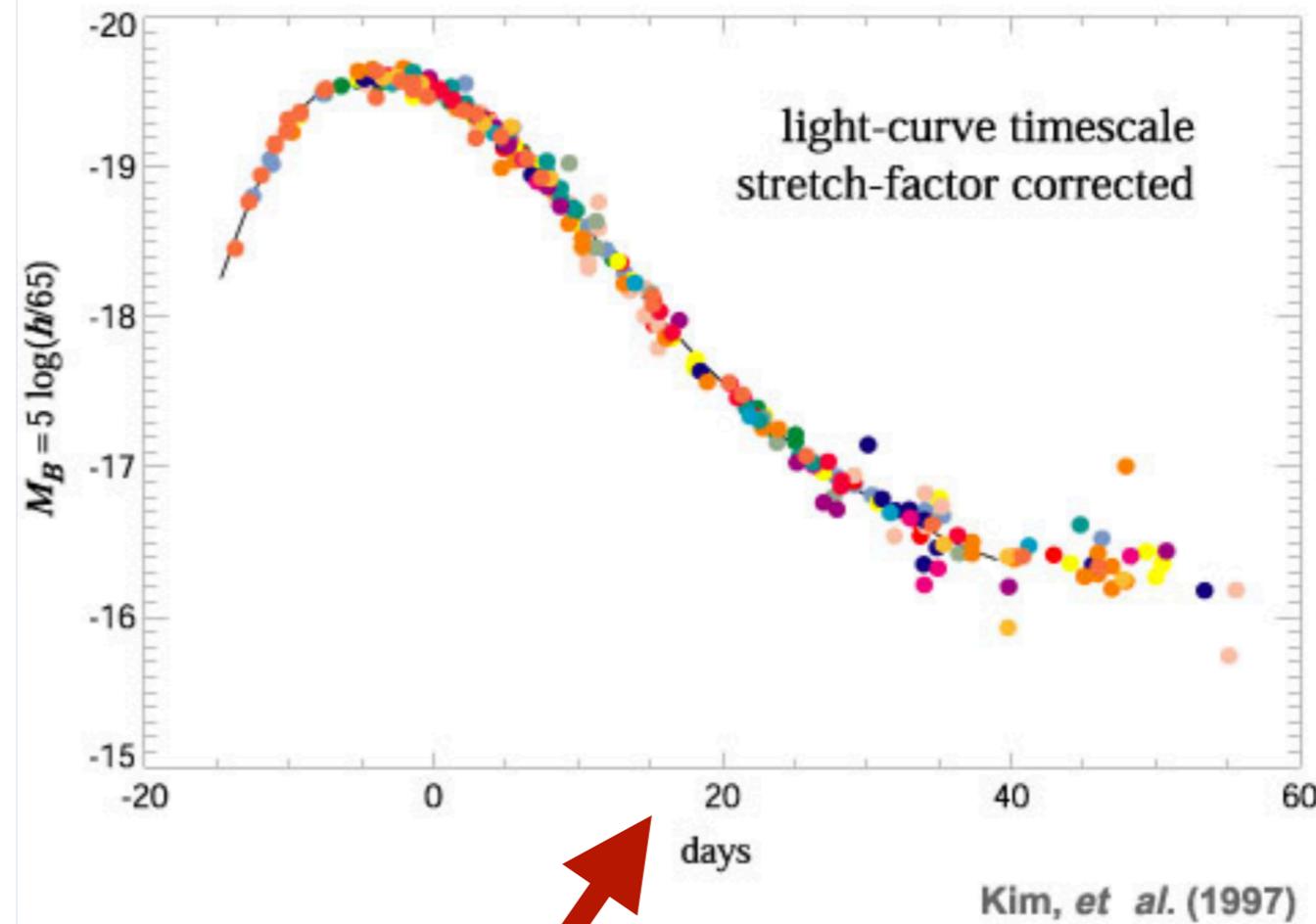
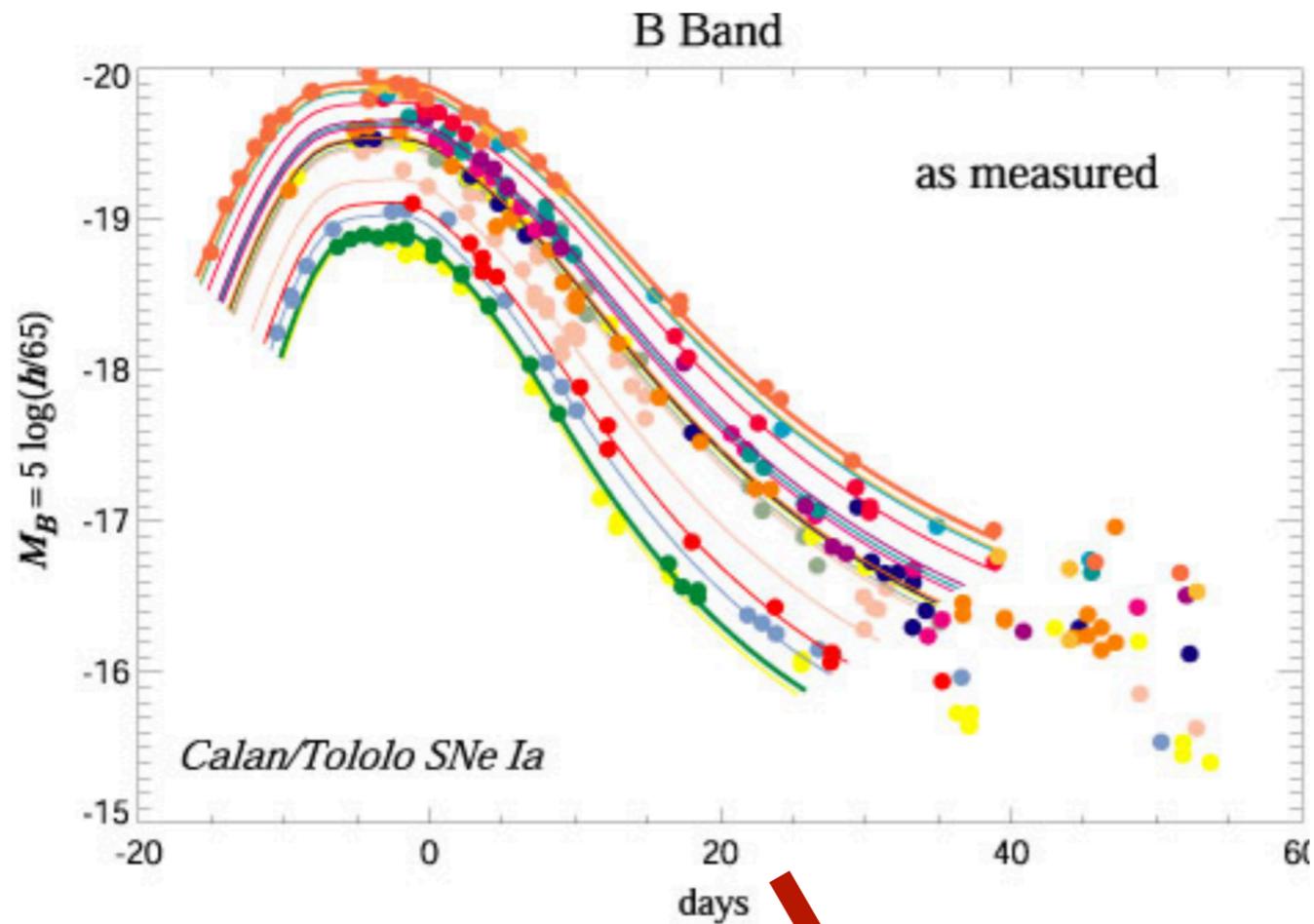
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We fit this via **linear regression with MCMC** using Light Curve parameters ($m_B, m_V, \Delta m_{15}$ or s_{BV}) as inputs.

Simultaneously solving for the correlation coefficients.

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Hubble Flow sample

- Build our **smooth Hubble flow sample** ($z > 0.01$), no peculiar velocity contamination
- Data from PANTHEON set, It has spectroscopically confirmed 1048 SNe Ia , $0.01 < z < 2.3$
- Surveys : SNLS, SDSS, HST, CSP, CfA.....
- Perform LC fitting with SNooPy getting observable parameters
- Calculate distance modulus as:

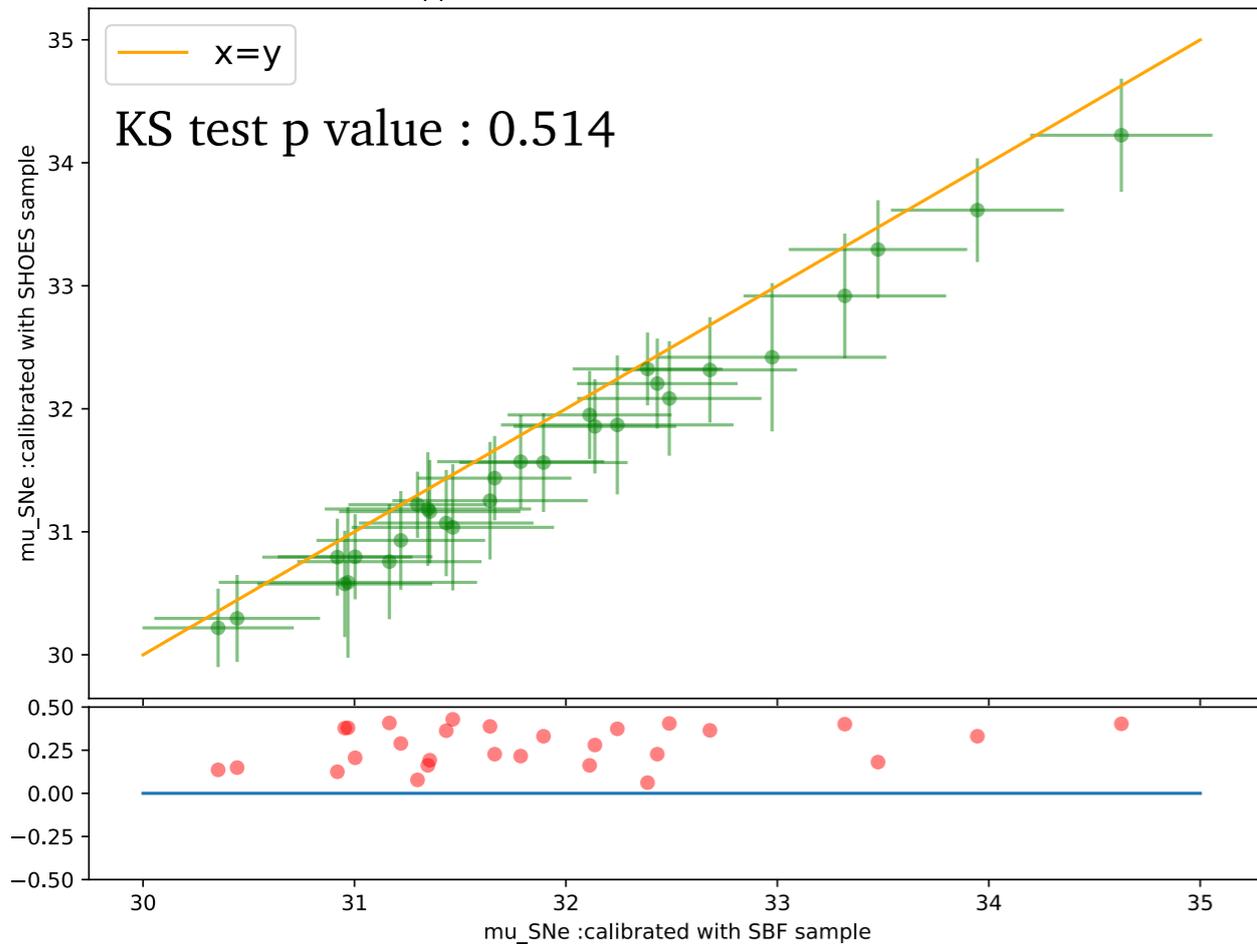
$$\mu = m_B - M_B$$

$$\mu = m_B - P_0 - P_1(s_{BV} - 1) - R(m_B - m_V)$$

Compare SBF and SHOES

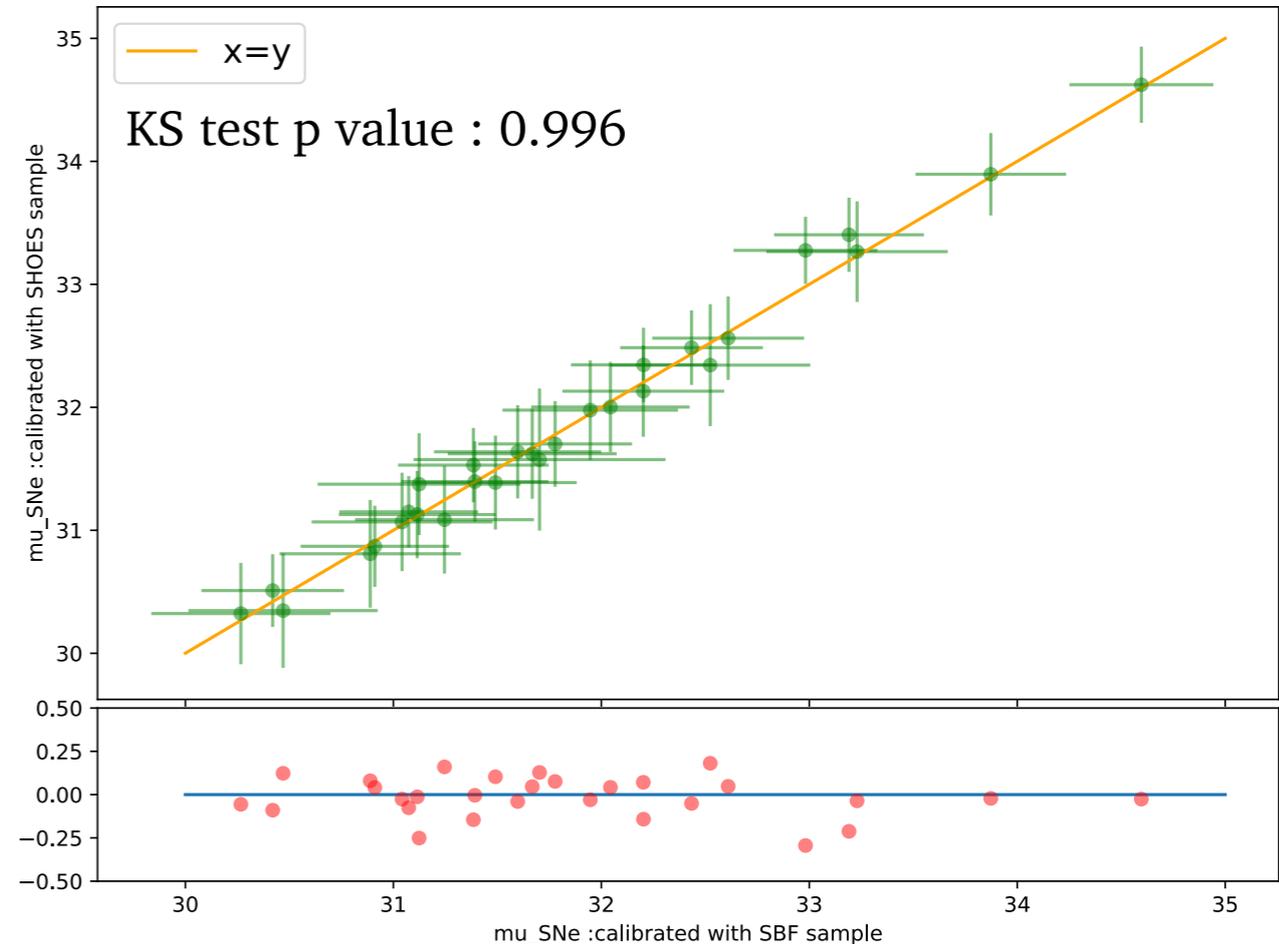
Calibrator sample : 29 objects

Tripp 1 : SBF calibration vs SHOES calibration



Tripp Calibration with Δm_{15}

Tripp 2 : SBF calibration vs SHOES calibration



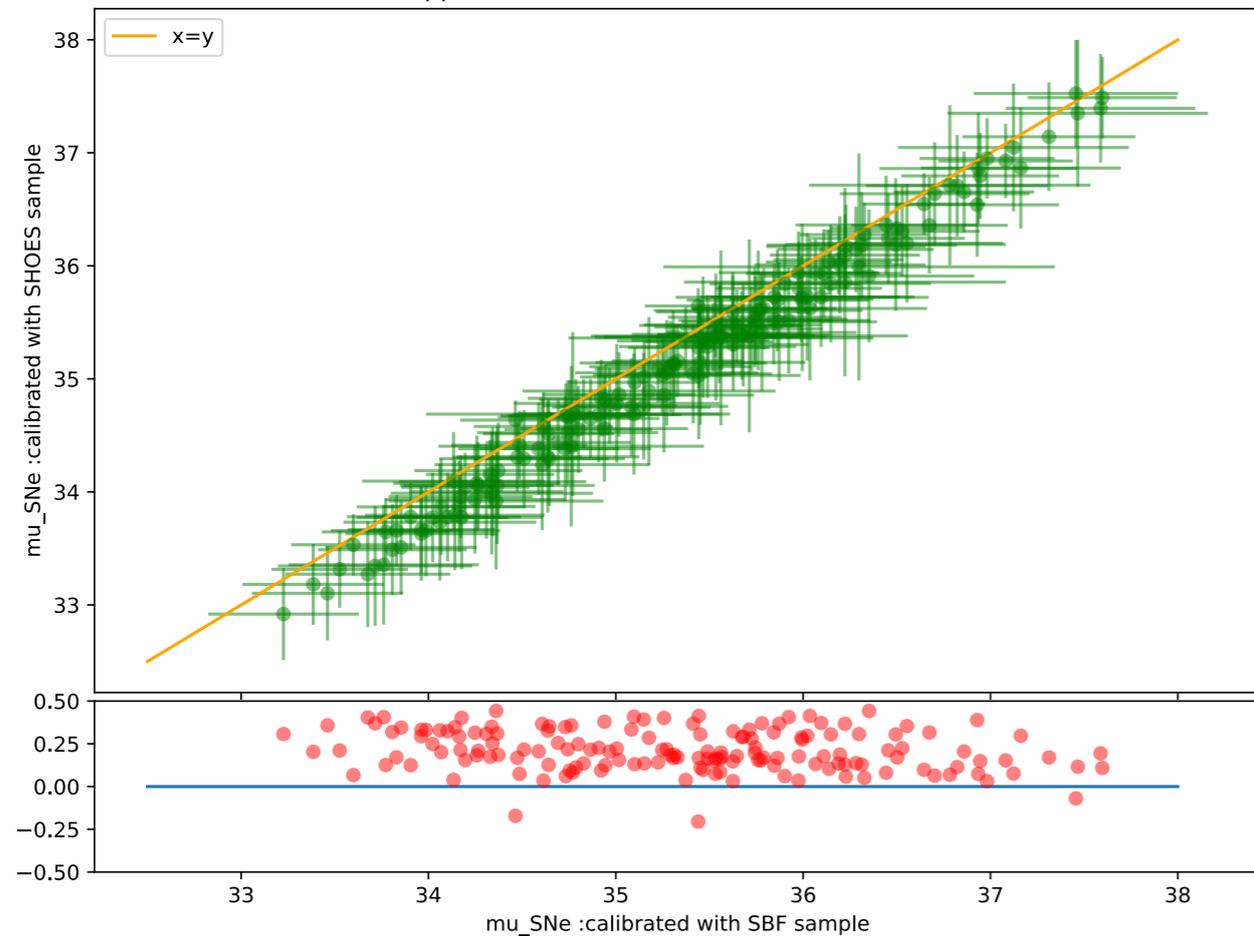
Tripp Calibration with S_{BV}

- Observe a **systematic offset** between the two samples when using Δm_{15}

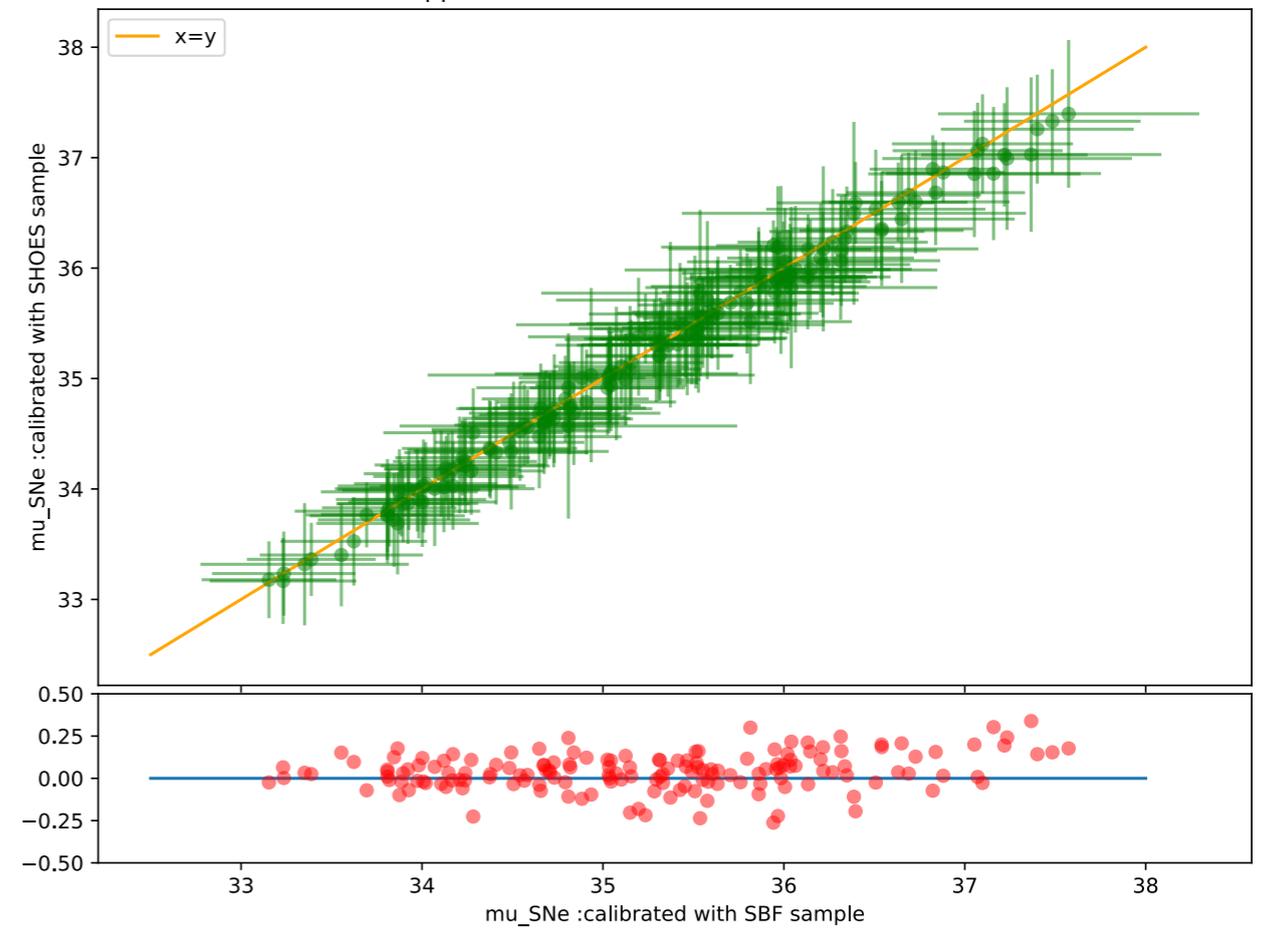
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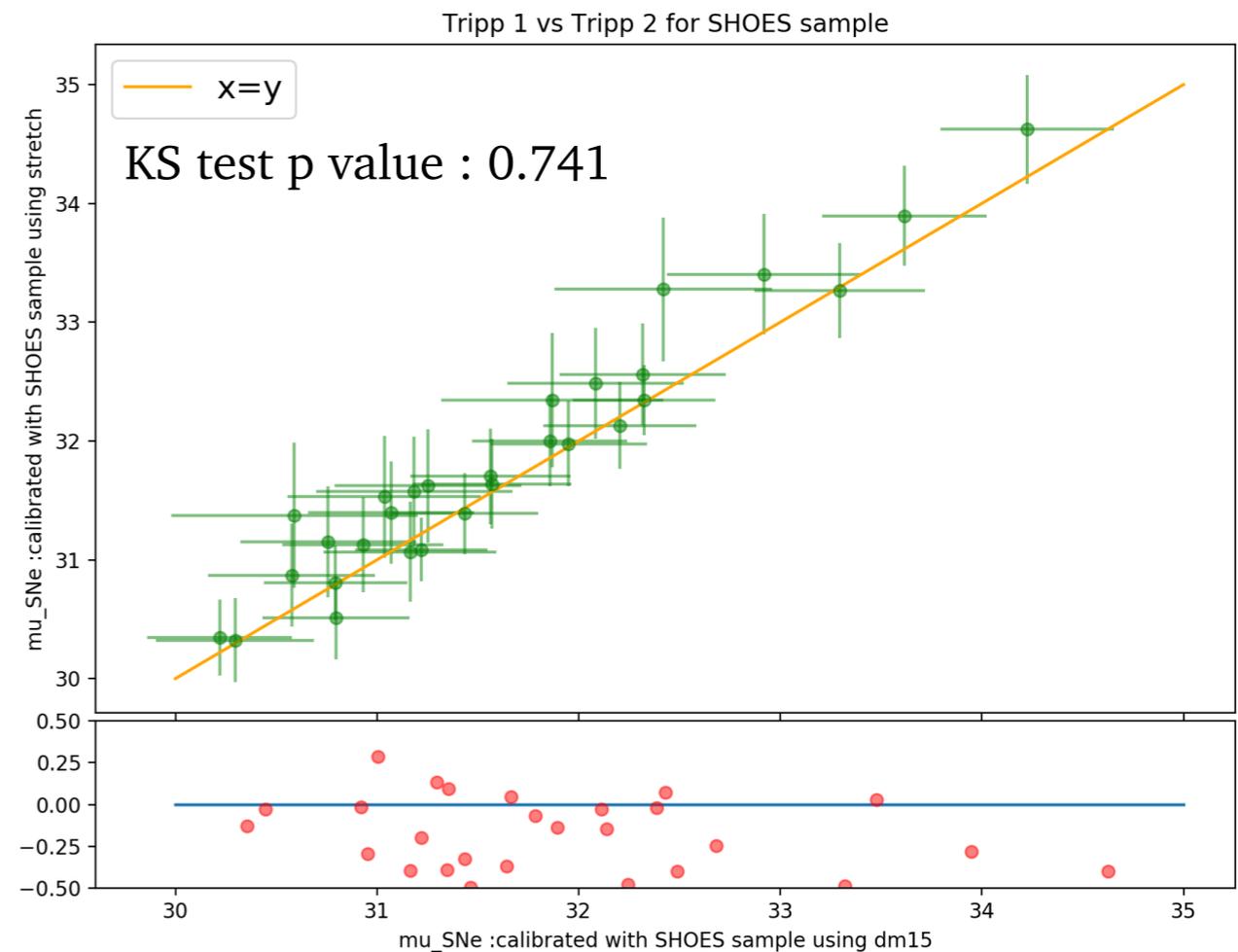
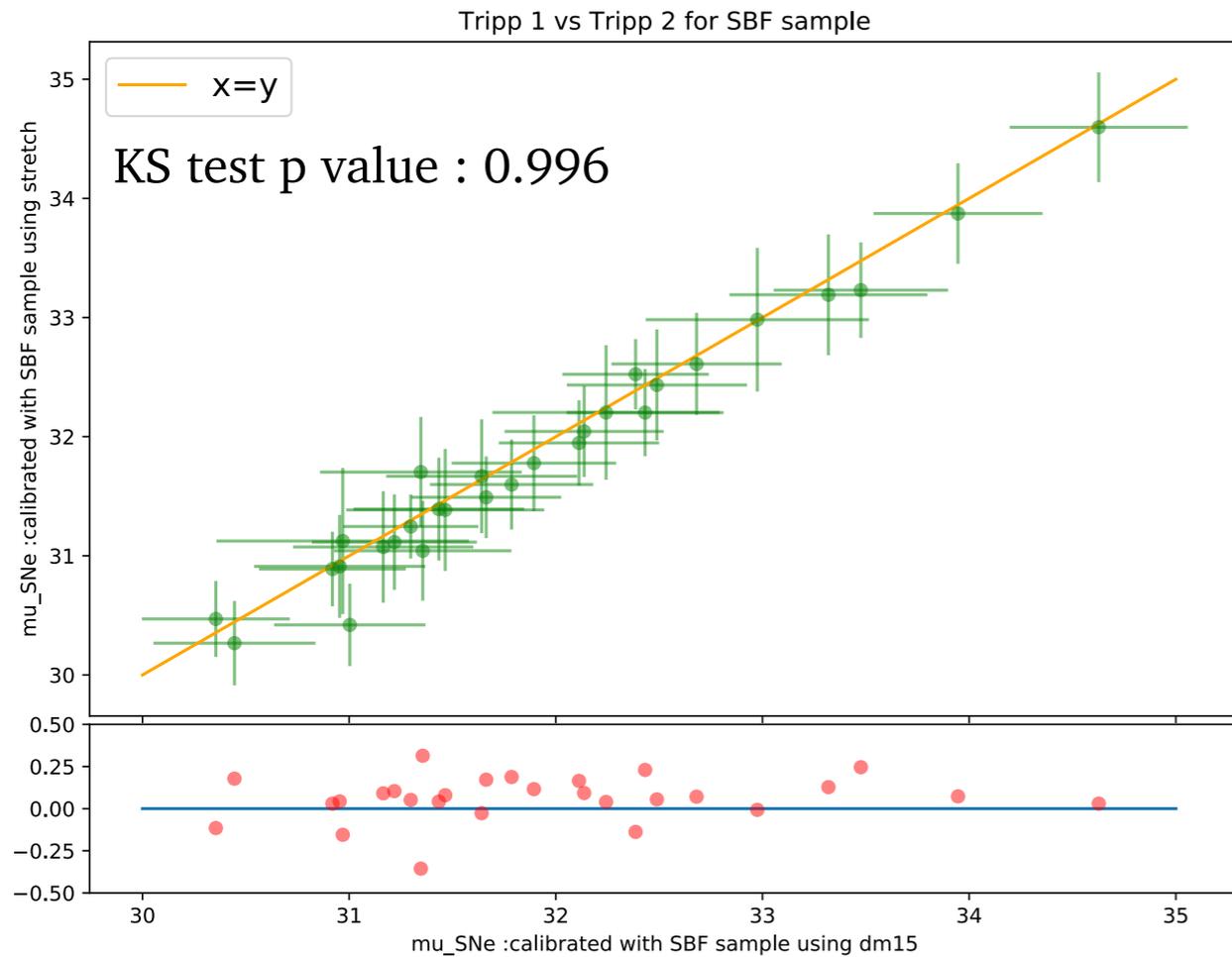


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Compare Δm_{15} and s_{BV}



Δm_{15} vs stretch for SBF sample

Δm_{15} vs stretch for SHOES sample

- SHOES sample shows inconsistency : distance estimates using stretch are higher for the SHOES sample.
- SBF sample is consistent for both the shape parameters

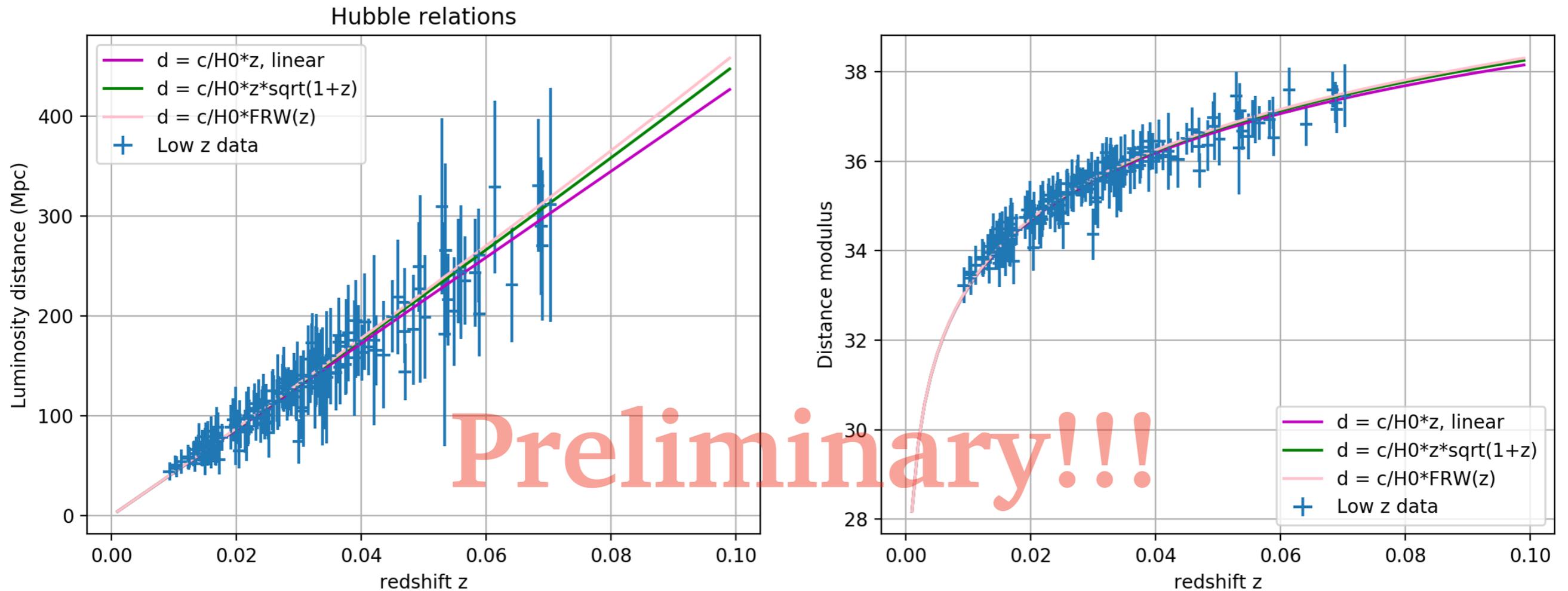
Offset Problem

- Investigating possible reasons for this inconsistency between the two parameters
- Evidences : Luminosity depending on **host type**: differences in host stellar mass, SFR, Metallicities, environment (gas and dust), progenitor channel
- **SBF sample - E/So types - Early type galaxies**
- **SHOES sample - Spirals - Late type galaxies**
- Stretch parameter is more sensitive to these differences - may be?
- One possible solution: **mass correlation** ???

$$m_B = P^N (s_{BV} - 1) + R_B (m_B - m_V) + \alpha (\log_{10} M_*/M_\odot - \log_{10} M_0) + \mu(z)$$

Hubble - Lemaitre Constant

A very Preliminary estimation



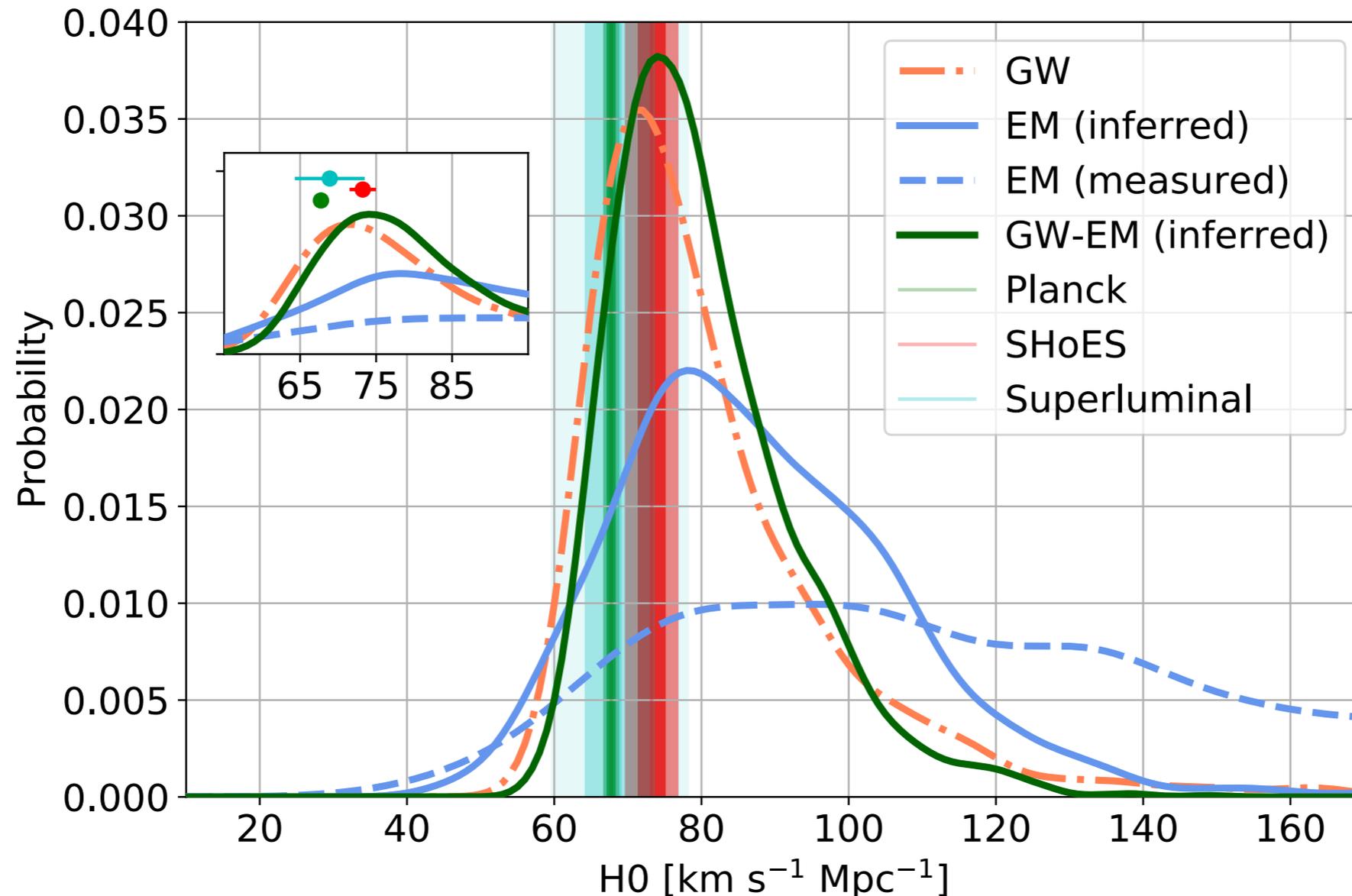
For Low z regime using only linear relation : $H_0 = cz/d$ and getting mean value
 $H_0 = 72.41 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$

Work Under progress....

Kilonovae as Standard Candles

- Kilonovae - EM emission from BNS - first observation GW170817
- Has characteristics that can provide an **independent distance measurement** (without any information from GW)
- Detect them independently with LSST
- Explored the color-mag diagrams and decay rate-mag diagrams of simulations → Trends motivate potential for standardisation
- As with SNe Ia, Modeled some **observed** and **inferred** quantities to get distances and then H_0
- Tested our both models with GW170817

Kilonovae as Standard Candles



For measured and Inferred analyses , we give Kilonovae-only Hubble constant measurement of $H_0 = 109^{+49}_{-35} \text{kms}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ and $H_0 = 85^{+21}_{-16} \text{kms}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$

Paper submitted to PRL (<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1908.00889.pdf>)

Future

- Visit Swinburne Uni of Technology, Australia, to work with Prof. Jeffery Cooke to study use of **Super Luminous Supernovae (SLSN)** as distance indicators.
- High peak luminosities - Reach higher redshifts
- Group has photometric UV data that I will analyse
- Build a catalog of SNe Ia exploded in galaxy clusters for LIGO-VIRGO collaborations
- A possibility to work on theoretical simulations to study SNe Ia environment, collaboration with La Sapienza group
- Paper writing and thesis submission

Back up

SBF 101

- N – mean number of stars per pixel
- F - mean flux per star
- Mean pixel intensity is $N \cdot F$ and variance is $N F^2$
- Ratio of observed mean to observed variance is F
- This decreases inversely with the square of the distance.

