

# Cosmological Parameters from Quasar Clustering

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# Basics of cosmology

## Cosmological model

- geometry of the curved space (metric)
- physical content of the matter  
(determines the evolution of geometry)

- simplicity
- concordance with observations

## Observational foundations

- the universe is expanding
- cosmic microwave background
- light elements abundance
- dark matter

- anisotropies in the CMB
- supernovae IA

dark energy

# The cosmological constant

- 1917 - Einstein introduces the cosmological term in his GR field equations.

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}R g_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$$

- ✓ main motivation: observational
- ✓  $\Lambda$  acts like a repulsive force
- 1922 - Friedman obtained solutions to the E.E. without  $\Lambda$  and that were expansionist.
- 1929 - Hubble announces the discovery that the real U is expanding.
- 1931 - Einstein excludes the  $\Lambda$ -term from his equations  
*“The greatest blunder of my life”*

# The cosmological constant

- Lemaitre believed that we should keep the  $\Lambda$ -term in E.E. and observations should give the last word.

- In the 80's  $\Lambda$  is introduced in the context of the inflationary universe.

- A sufficiently long period of inflation  $\Omega_T = 1$   $\Omega_i = \frac{\rho_i}{\rho_c}$  ;  $\rho_c = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G}$

- observations  $\Omega_{m0} = 0.3 \pm 0.1$   $H_0 = 100 h \text{ km} / \text{s Mpc}^{-1}$  ;  $h = 0.65 \pm 0.1$

for matter that clumps on scales of clusters ( Peebles (1988) - Carlberg et al.(1997) )

❖ How to reconcile inflation with observations?

★ Smooth component with  $\Omega_{\text{smooth}} \sim 0.7$

$$\Omega_T = \Omega_{m0} + \Omega_{\text{smooth}} = 1$$

Peebles Ap.J. 284, 439 (1984);  
Turner, Steigman & Krauss PRL52, 2090,(1984)

# Dark energy candidates

## DARK ENERGY

- Cosmological constant
- Evolving scalar field (quintessence)
- X-fluid



$$\Omega_{Total} = \Omega_{matter} + \Omega_{radiation} + \Omega_{DEnergy} = 1$$



Negative Pressure!!!

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho + 3P)$$

if

$$\rho + 3P < 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{a} > 0$$

**Acceleration!!**

# Sne Ia as a tool for cosmology

**SneIa**



**Direct evidence for  
with negative pressure**

**DARK ENERGY**

- **Supernovae Cosmology Project** – Perlmutter et al; Ap.J 517, 565, 1999
- **The High-z Supernova team** – Riess et al. 116, 1009,1998; 117, 707, 1999  
Garnavich et al., Ap. J. 509, 74, 1998.

- **basic idea: use type Ia supernovae as standard candles for the classic magnitude-redshift test**

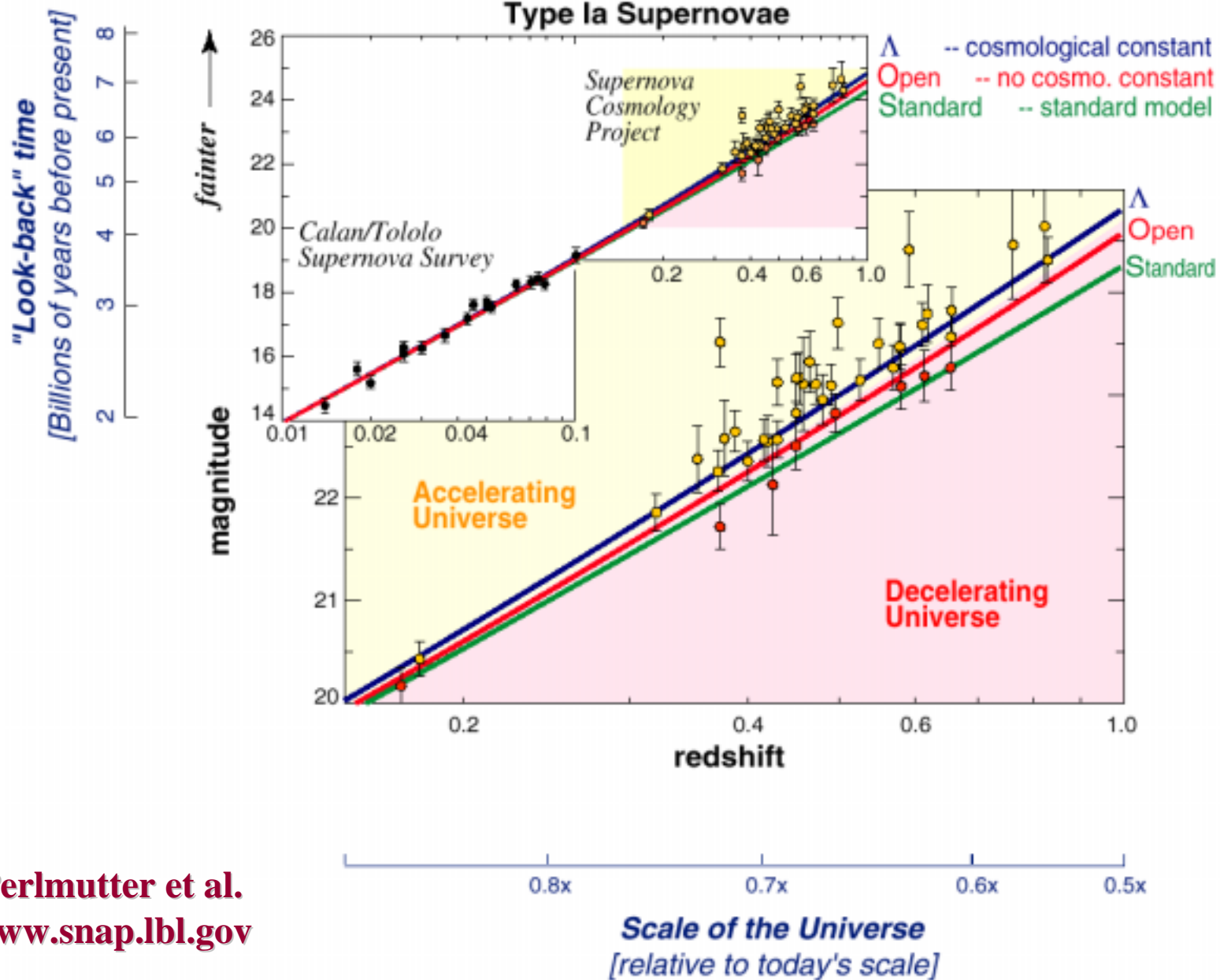
## Advantages

- ❖ Luminous ( $10^9 - 10^{10} L_{\odot}$ ).
- ❖ small dispersion ( $< \sim 0.3$  mag)
- ❖ little evolution expected.

## Problems

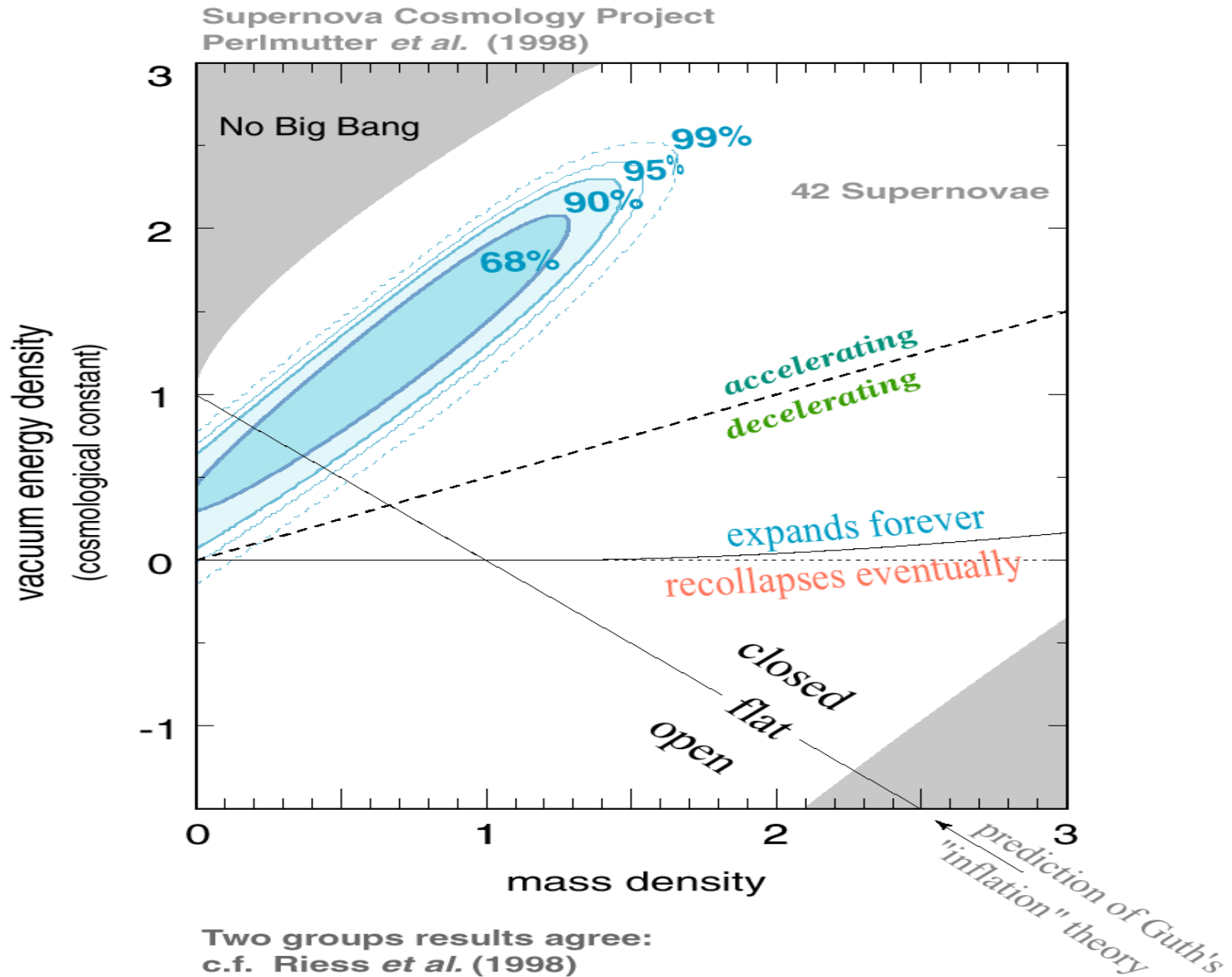
- ❖ Rare,  $\sim 1/500$  years/ galaxy.
- ❖ random, can't schedule telescope time.
- ❖ fast, difficult to catch before maximum light.
- Sne Ia rises to maximum light within a few days
- At high z it fades below the largest telescope's limits within a month or two

# Supernovae results



Perlmutter et al.  
[www.snap.lbl.gov](http://www.snap.lbl.gov)

# Supernovae results



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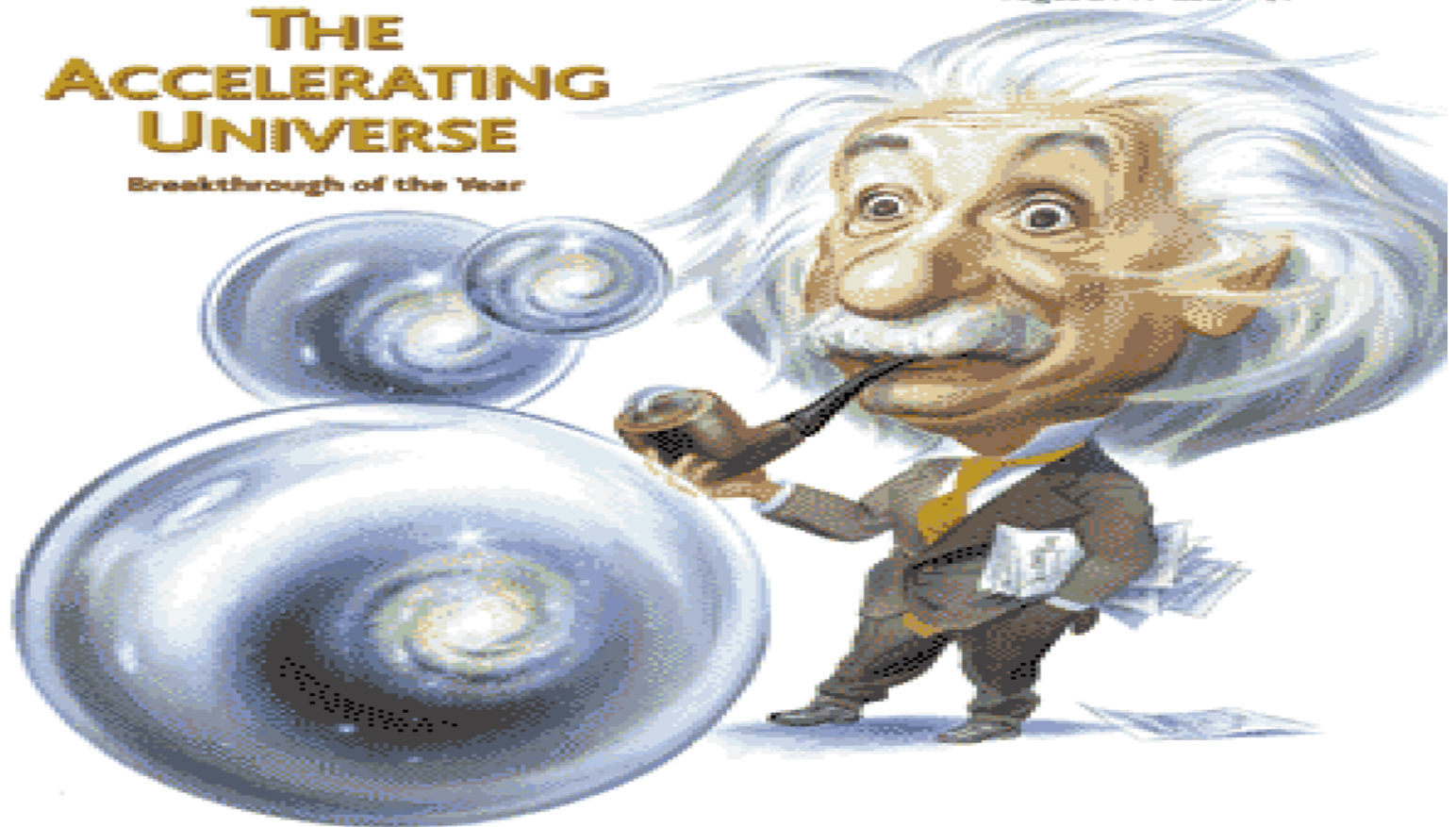
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## THE ACCELERATING UNIVERSE

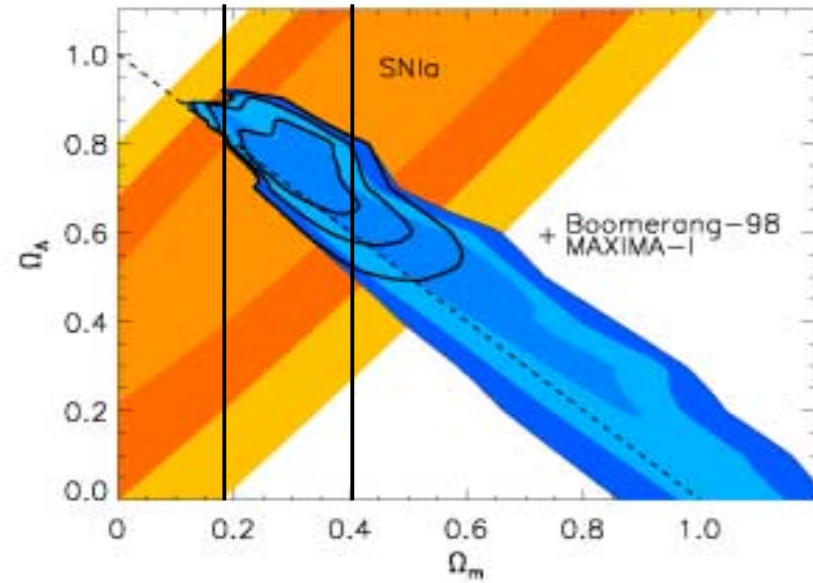
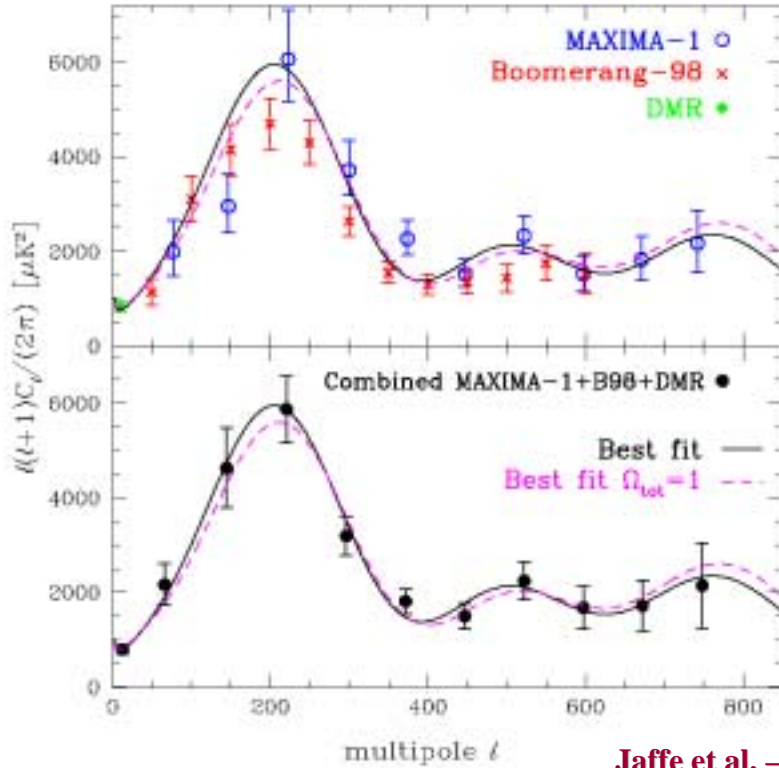
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# CMB + $\Omega_m$ Indirect evidence for

# DARK ENERGY



**Concordance of direct  
and  
indirect evidences**

$$\Omega_X \approx 0.7 \pm 0.2$$

The temperature correlation function is defined by :

$$C(\alpha) = \left\langle \frac{\Delta T}{T}(\hat{n}) \frac{\Delta T}{T}(\hat{m}) \right\rangle_{\hat{n} \cdot \hat{m} = \cos \alpha}$$

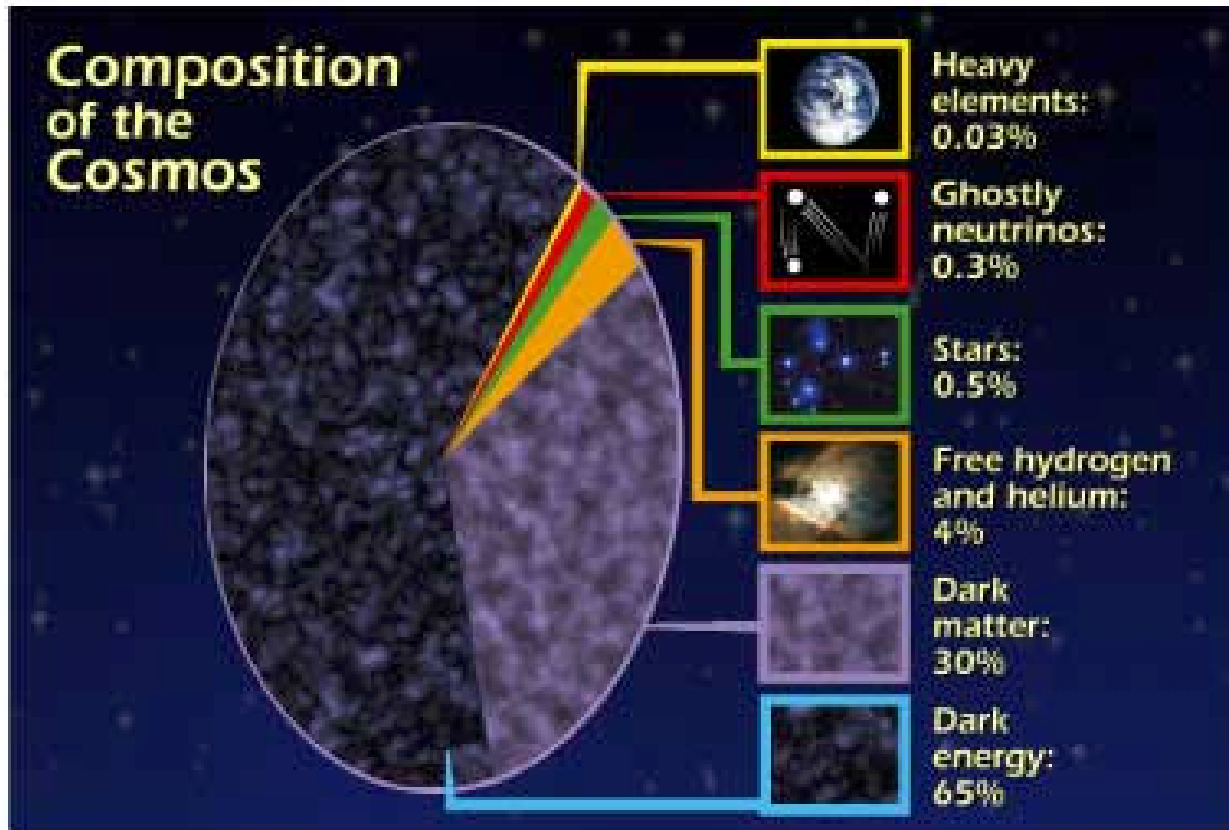
$\langle \dots \rangle$  denotes an average over positions  $\vec{x}$  and all directions  $\hat{n}, \hat{m}$  separated by an angle  $\alpha$ .

Expanding  $C(\alpha)$  using Legendre polynomials, we get

$$C(\alpha) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} P_l(\cos \alpha) C_l$$

$$C_l = 2\pi \int_{-1}^1 d \cos \theta P_l(\cos \theta) d\theta$$

# Composition



Credit STScI

# the Alcock-Paczynski test

- precise measurements of cosmological parameters
- other tests/measurements to determine the densities and to study the equation of state are wellcome!
- the AP test applied to quasar clustering.

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# Background model

## Geometry

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t) \left[ \frac{dR^2}{1 - kR^2} + R^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2) \right]$$

## Matter Content

❖ **nonrelativistic matter +  $x$ -fluid with equation of state**

$$P_x = w\rho_x, \quad w = \text{const} (< 0)$$

**The fluids interact only through gravity and are separately conserved.**

# Dynamics

$$H^2 = H_0^2 \left[ \Omega_{m0} (1+z)^3 + \Omega_{x0} (1+z)^{3(w+1)} + \Omega_{k0} (1+z)^2 \right]$$

$$\ddot{a} = -\frac{8\pi G}{6} (\rho_m + \rho_x + 3P_x) a$$

where

$$H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a}, \quad \Omega_m = \frac{\rho_m}{\rho_{cr}}$$

$$\Omega_x = \frac{\rho_x}{\rho_{cr}}, \quad \Omega_k = -\frac{k}{a^2 H^2},$$

$$\rho_{cr} = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G}$$

$$\Omega_m + \Omega_x + \Omega_k = 1$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2} [\Omega_m + (1+3w)\Omega_x]$$

$$\Omega_m ; \Omega_x ; w$$

$$\text{Sin}_K \chi = \begin{cases} \chi & \text{if } k=0 \\ \text{Sinh} \chi & \text{if } k < 0 \\ \text{Sin} \chi & \text{if } k > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$a_0 R = \frac{1}{H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_{k0}}} \text{Sin}_K \left( \sqrt{\Omega_{k0}} \int_0^z \frac{H_0 dz'}{H(z')} \right)$$

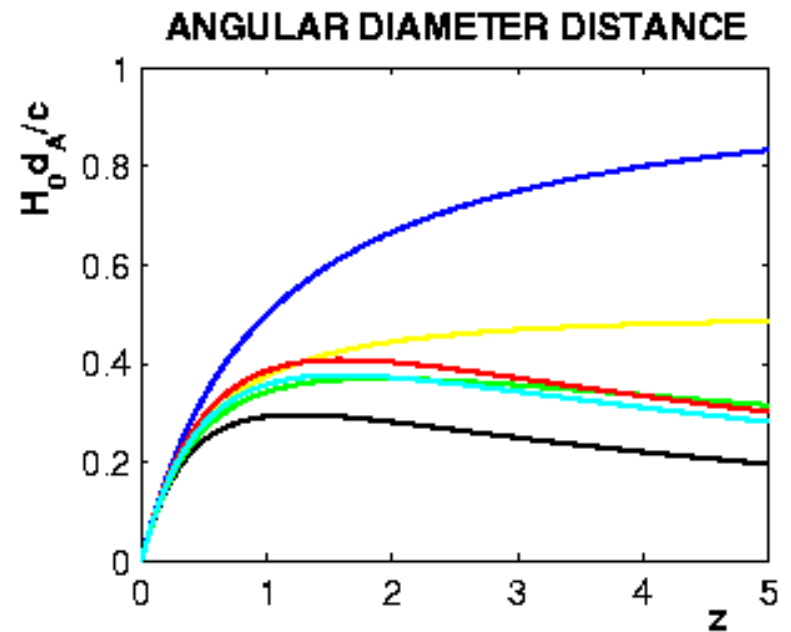
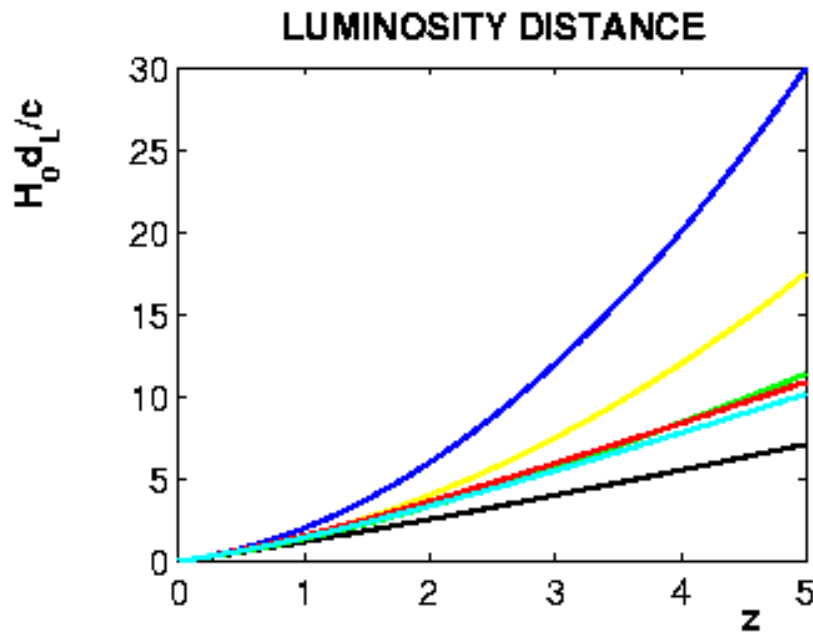
$$= f(z)$$

$$= f(z; \Omega_{m0}, \Omega_{x0}, w; H_0)$$

Proper motion distance 

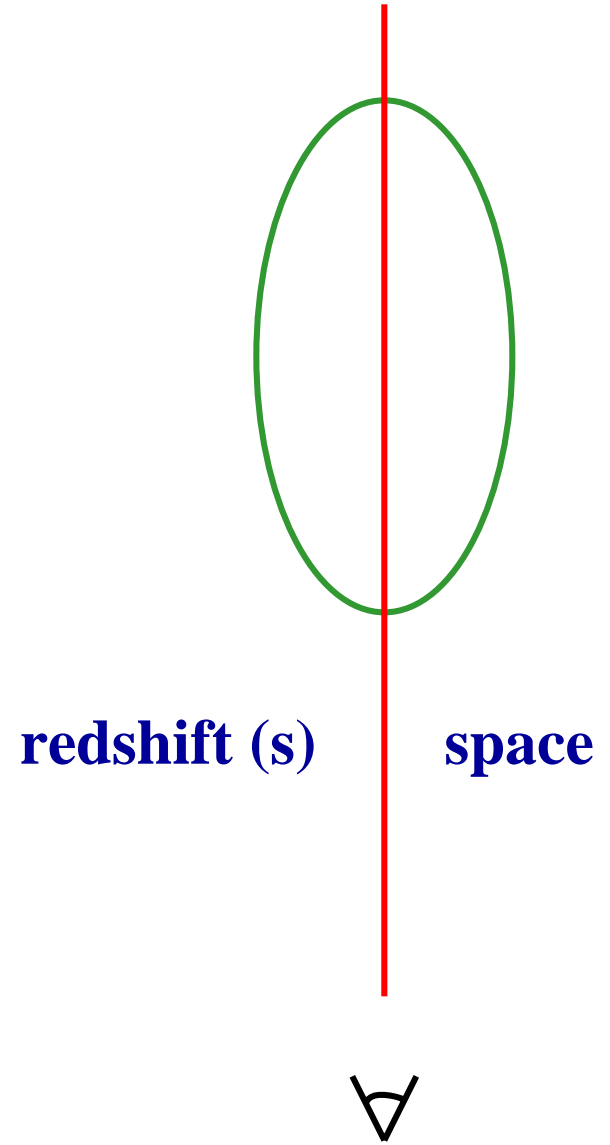
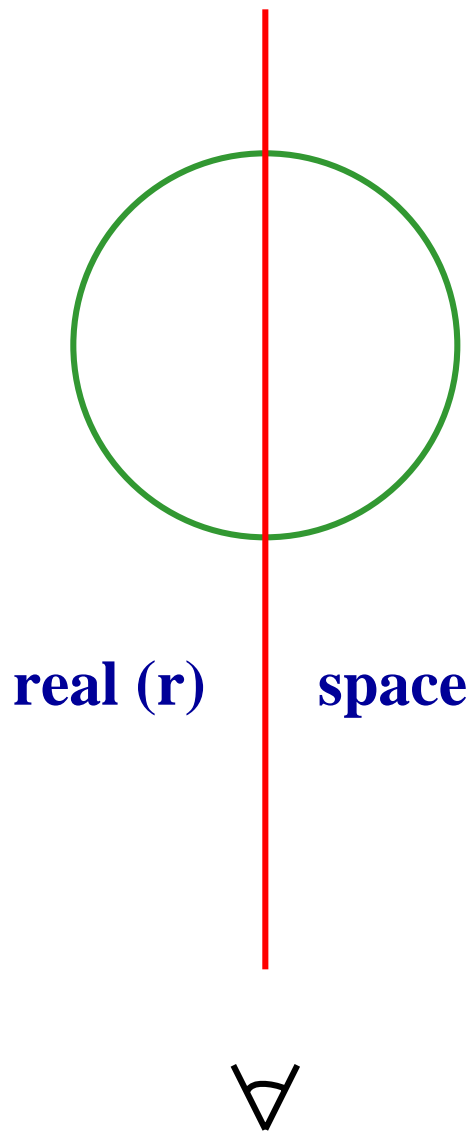
# Luminosity and angular diameter distances

$$(1+z)f = d_L = (1+z)^2 d_A$$



- $\Omega_{\text{do}} = 0, \Omega_{\text{x0}} = 0$  (Milne)
- $\Omega_{\text{do}} = 0, \Omega_{\text{x0}} = 1, w = -1$  (de Sitter)
- $\Omega_{\text{do}} = 1, \Omega_{\text{x0}} = 0$  (Einstein–de Sitter)
- $\Omega_{\text{do}} = 0.3, \Omega_{\text{x0}} = 0$  (Open, pure dust)
- $\Omega_{\text{do}} = 0.3, \Omega_{\text{x0}} = 0.7, w = -1$  (Flat, dust + cosmological constant)
- $\Omega_{\text{do}} = 0.3, \Omega_{\text{x0}} = 0.7, w = -2/3$  (Flat, dust + "domain walls")

# geometrical interpretation



# Real and redshift spaces

## Real space

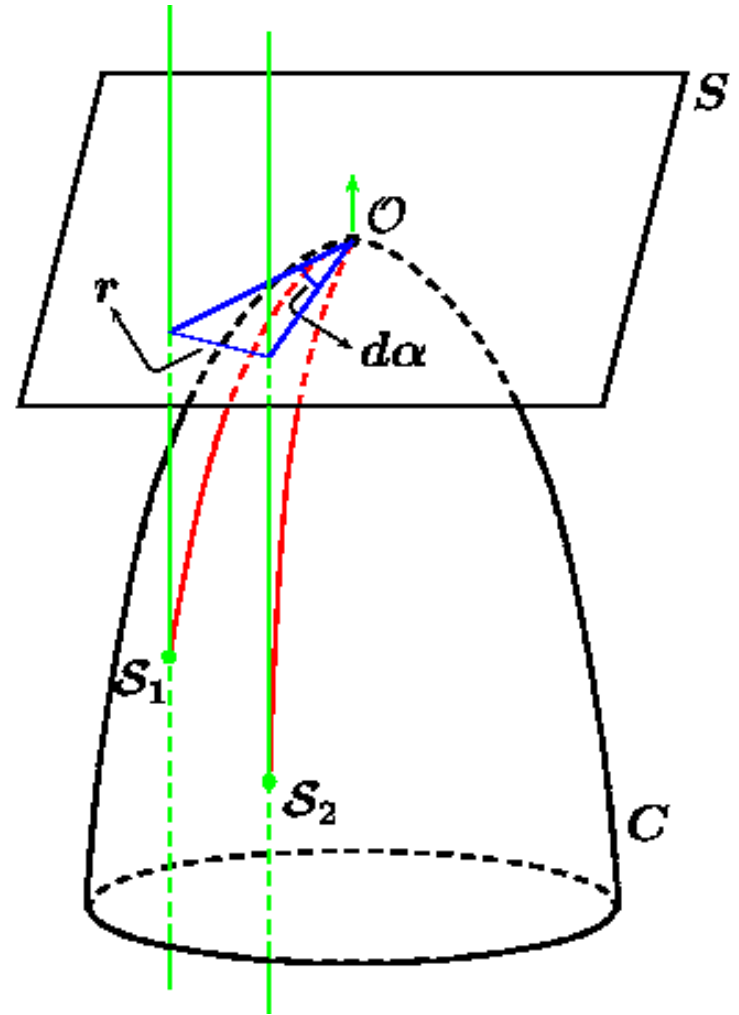
Coordinate distance

$$r^2 = r_{\parallel}^2 + r_{\perp}^2$$

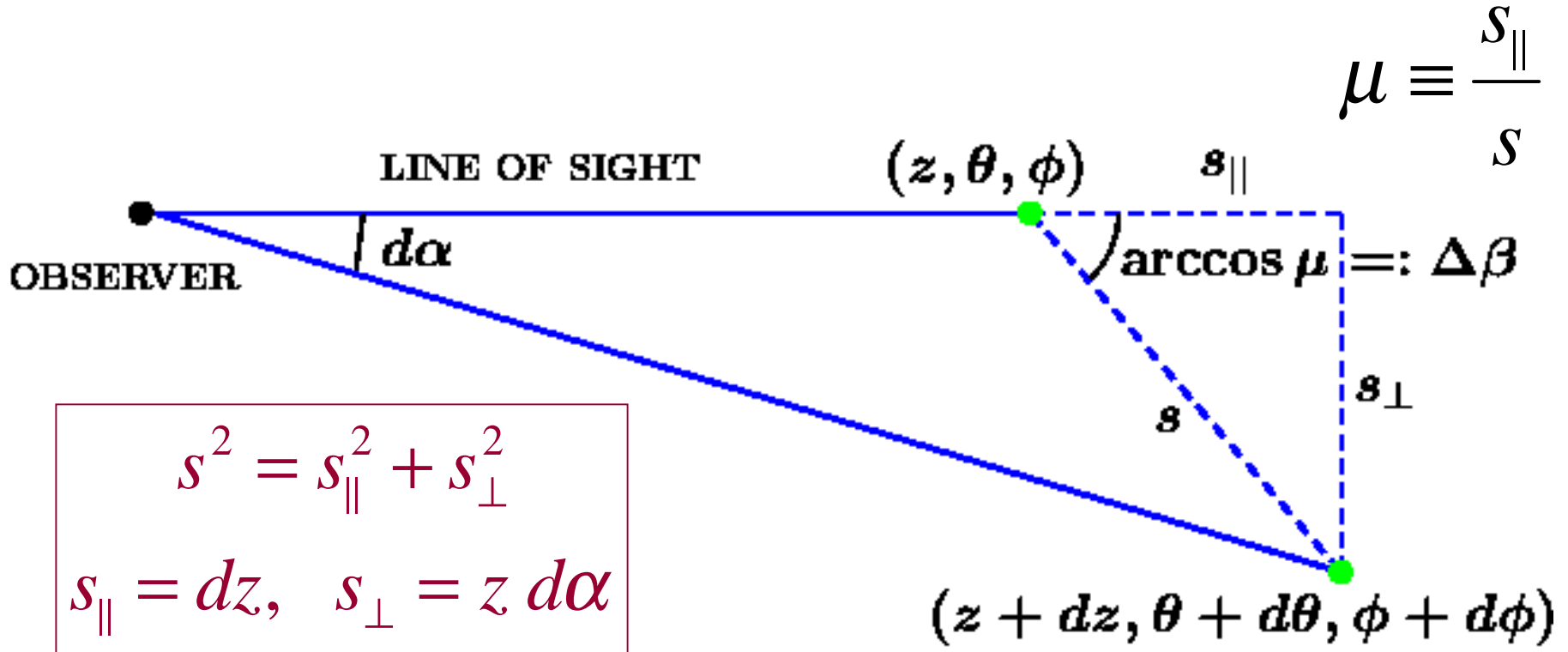
$$r_{\perp} = f(z)d\alpha,$$

$$r_{\parallel} = \frac{(df/dz)dz}{\sqrt{1-kR^2}} = g(z)dz$$

$$g(z) = g(z; \Omega_{m0}, \Omega_{x0}, w; H_0) = \frac{1}{H(z)}$$



# Redshift space



$(\Delta\beta = 0, \pi \Leftrightarrow \mu = \pm 1) \Leftrightarrow$  **longitudinal (“parallel”)**

$(\Delta\beta = \pi / 2 \Leftrightarrow \mu = 0) \Leftrightarrow$  **transverse (“perpendicular”)**

# Alcock-Paczynski test

$$\frac{r_{\perp}}{r_{\parallel}} = j(z) \frac{z d\alpha}{dz} = j(z) \frac{s_{\perp}}{s_{\parallel}}$$

where the **distortion or anisotropy parameter** is given by

$$j(z) = j(z; \Omega_{m0}, \Omega_{x0}, w) = \frac{f}{gz}$$

$$r^2 = r_{\perp}^2 + r_{\parallel}^2$$

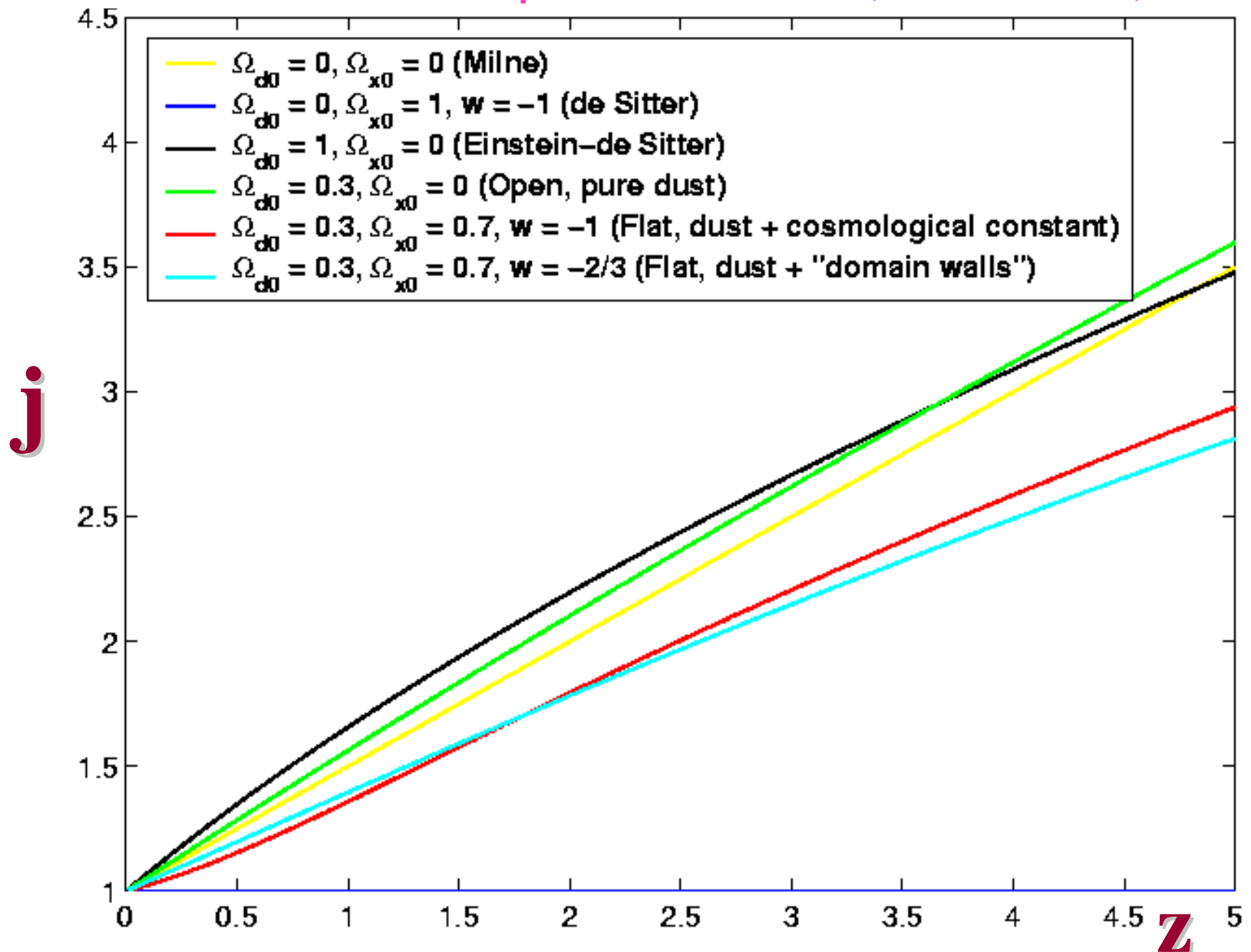
$$r_{\perp} = f(z) d\alpha,$$

$$r_{\parallel} = \frac{(df / dz) dz}{\sqrt{1 - kR^2}} = g(z) dz$$

$$s^2 = s_{\parallel}^2 + s_{\perp}^2$$

$$s_{\parallel} = dz, \quad s_{\perp} = z d\alpha$$

# distortion parameter (function)



# original test

## Main advantages of the original test:

- quite discriminatory between **open** ( $\Lambda=0$ ) and **flat** ( $\Omega_m + \Omega_\Lambda=1$ ) models
- evolution-independent

## Main disadvantage of the original test:

- non-existence of *spherical* galaxy clusters
- voids: Ryden and Mellott (1995, 1996)
- Lyman- $\alpha$  forest : Hui, Stebbins & Burles (1998)
- quasar pairs: Phillipps (1994); Popowski et al (1998)

# Quasar clustering

## Two-point correlation function $\xi(\vec{r})$

- **conditional probability:**

$$dP(r) = n[1 + \xi(r)]dV$$

existence  
of a mean

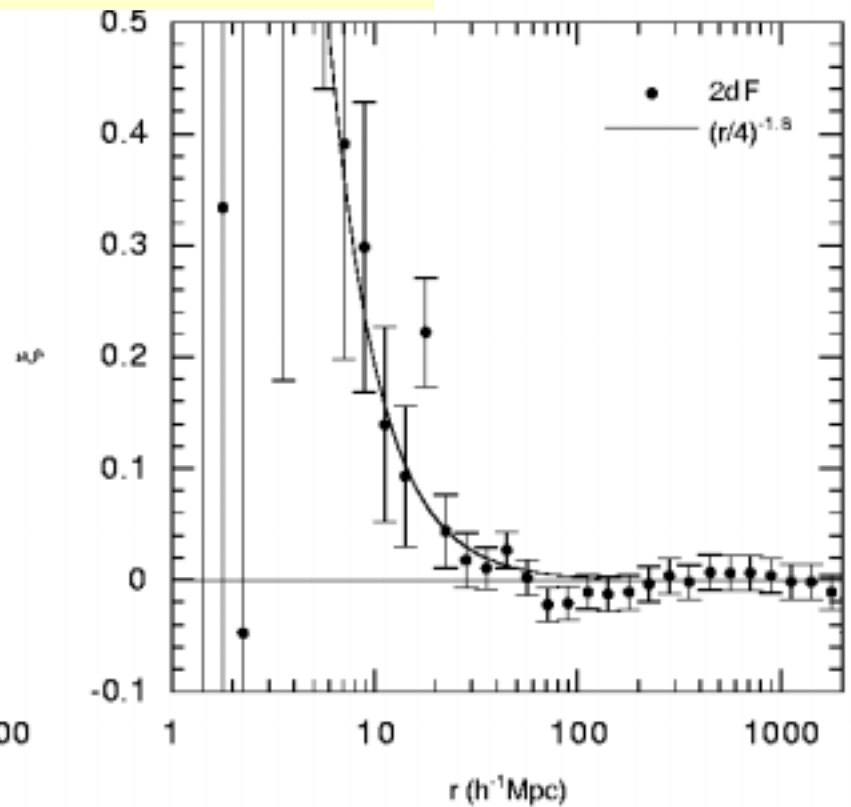
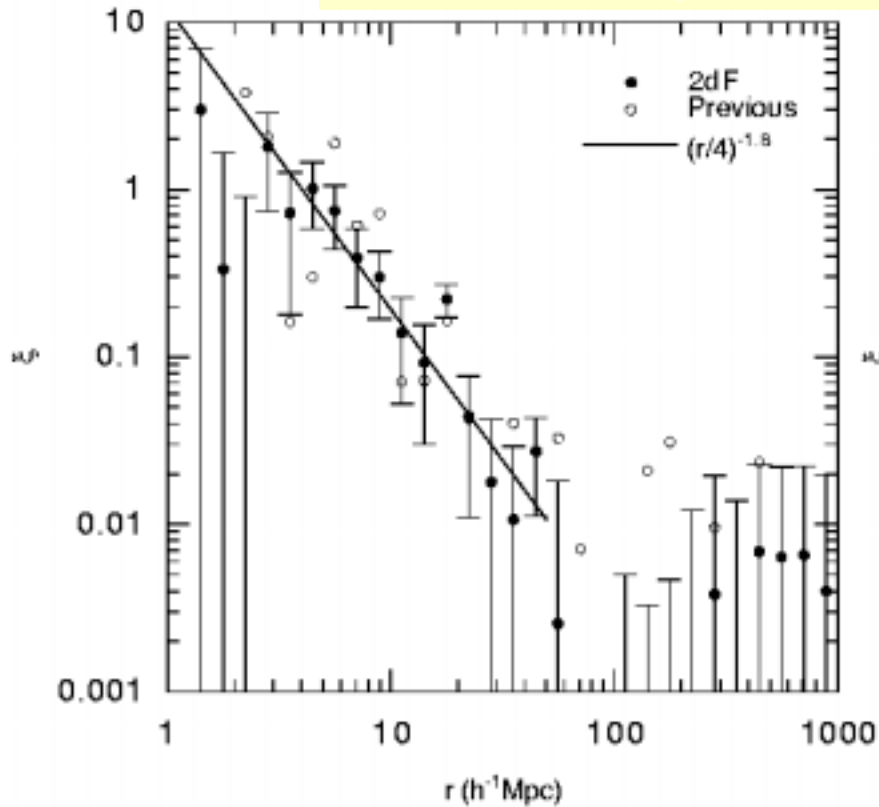
random Poisson  
distribution

statistical  
isotropy

# 2DF QSO Redshift Survey

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Authors: T.Shanks, B.J. Boyle, S.M. Croom, N. Loaring, L. Miller, R.J. Smith



# quasar correlation function

In general

## • real space:

$$\xi(r) = \left( \frac{r}{r_0} \right)^{-\gamma}; \quad r_0 \cong 4 h^{-1} \text{Mpc}, \quad \gamma \cong 1.8$$

$$\frac{r}{s} = g \sqrt{j^2 - (j^2 - 1)\mu^2}$$

distortion or anisotropy

## • redshift space:

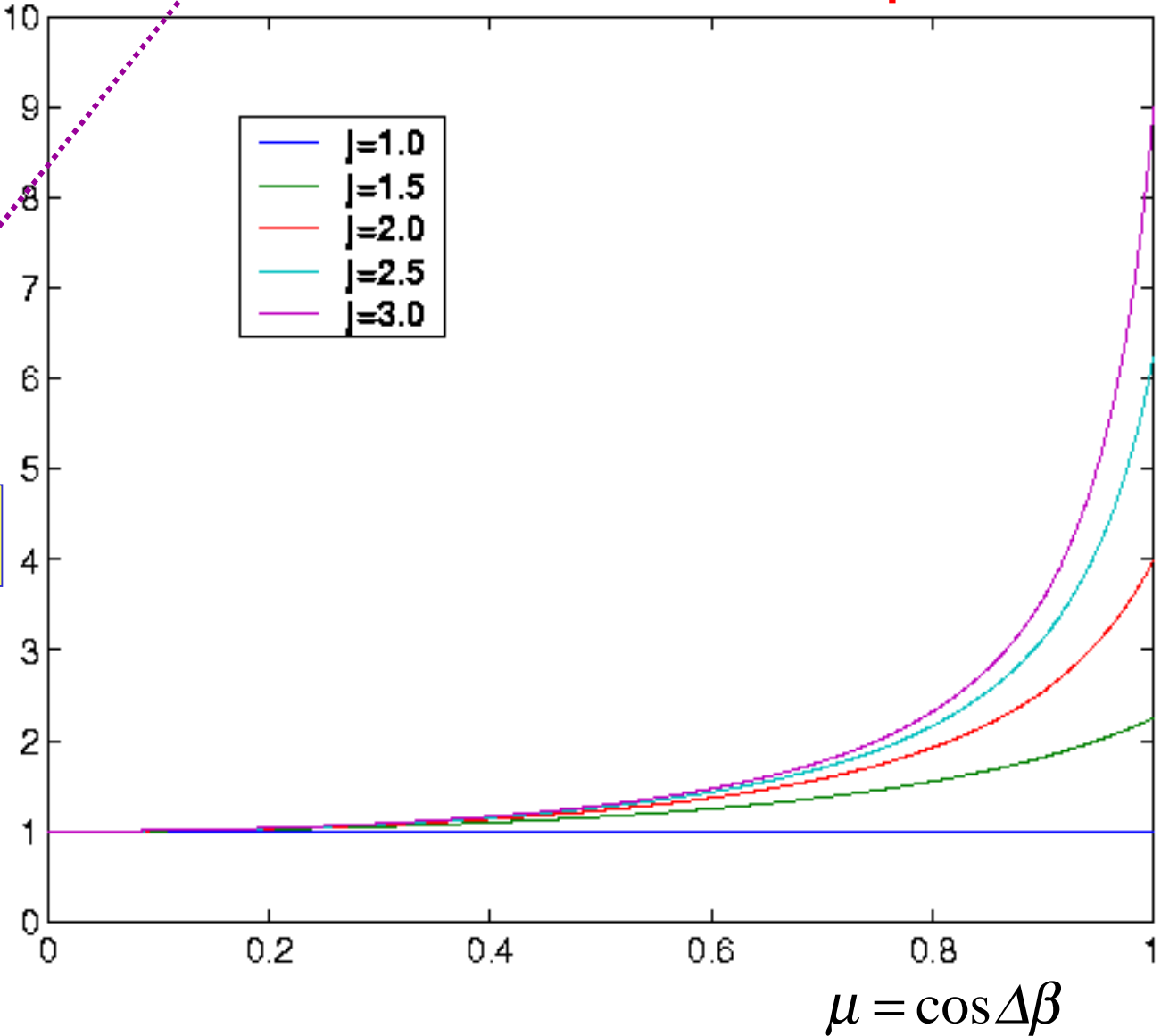
$$\begin{aligned} \xi(s, \mu) &= \xi(z; s, \mu; r_0, \gamma; \Omega_{m0}, \Omega_{x0}, w) \\ &= \left( \frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{-\gamma} \left[ j^2 - (j^2 - 1)\mu^2 \right]^{-\gamma/2}, \quad s_0 := \frac{r_0}{g} \end{aligned}$$

anisotropy

# Dependence of “normalized” apparent correlation function on the direction in redshift space

$$\xi(s, \mu) / \xi_{\perp}(s)$$

$$\xi_{\perp}(s) := \xi(s, 0)$$



# anisotropy

**In general:**

$$\xi(s, \mu) > \xi_{\perp}(s) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \xi_{\parallel}(s) > \xi_{\perp}(s)$$



**Amplification of the “apparent” correlation function for pairs *along the line of sight* with respect to the one for pairs perpendicular to that line: *anisotropy*.**

# quasar surveys

## Quasars

- **star-like objects (originally radio-loud)**
- **time-variable continuum non-thermal fluxes**
- **ultra-violet excess (“blueness”):**  $U - B < 0 \Leftrightarrow F_U > F_B$   
 $B - V < 0 \Leftrightarrow F_B > F_V$
- **broad emission lines**
- **large redshifts**
- **large luminosities ( $\geq 100L_{\odot}$ )**

# generic features of a survey

(a) **limiting apparent magnitude:**  $m_{B,\max} = B_{\max}$

(b) **area (solid angle):**  $A$

(c) **expected number of detected sources:**  $N_Q$

⇓ (b) + (c)

(d) **(surface) density:**  $\Sigma := N_Q / A$

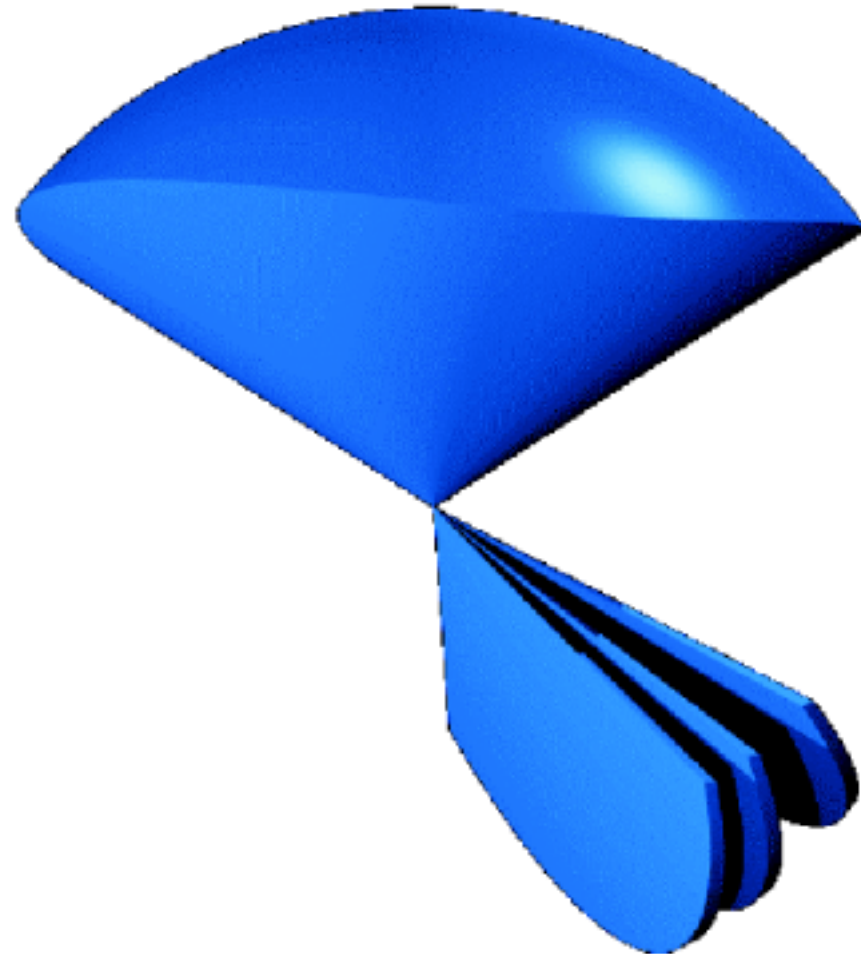
(e) **“distribution function”:**

$$F(z)dz := \frac{dN(z)}{N_Q}$$

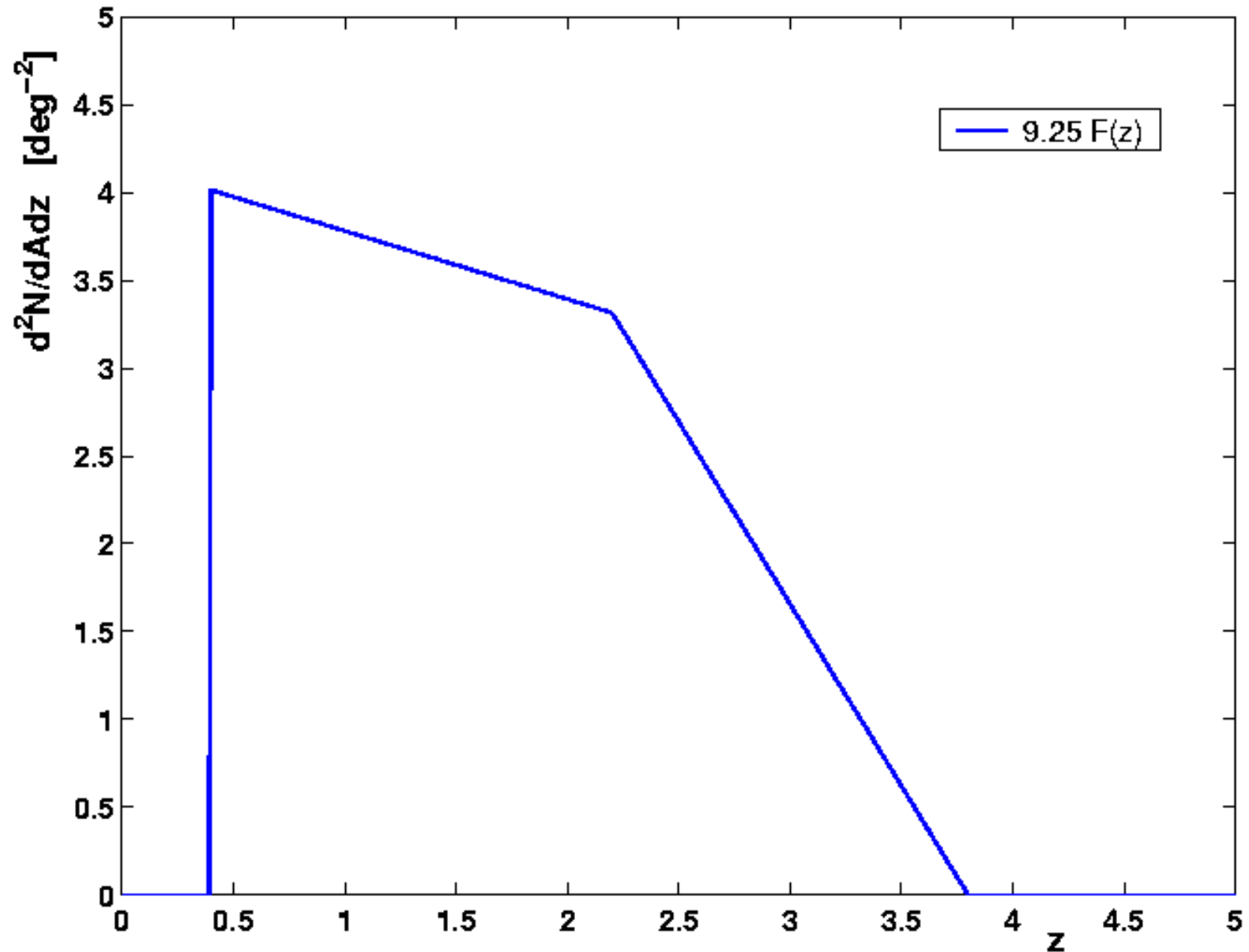
# Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)

$$N_Q \approx 80000, \quad A \approx 5000 \text{ deg}^2 \Rightarrow \Sigma \approx 16 \text{ deg}^{-2}$$

$$B_{\text{max}} \approx 19.6$$



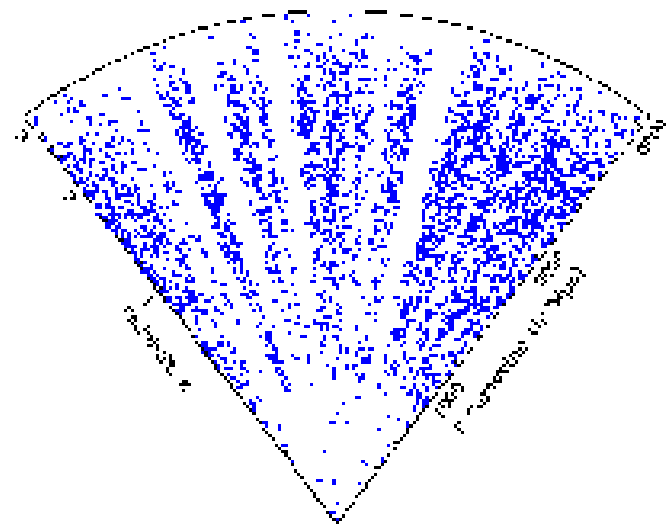
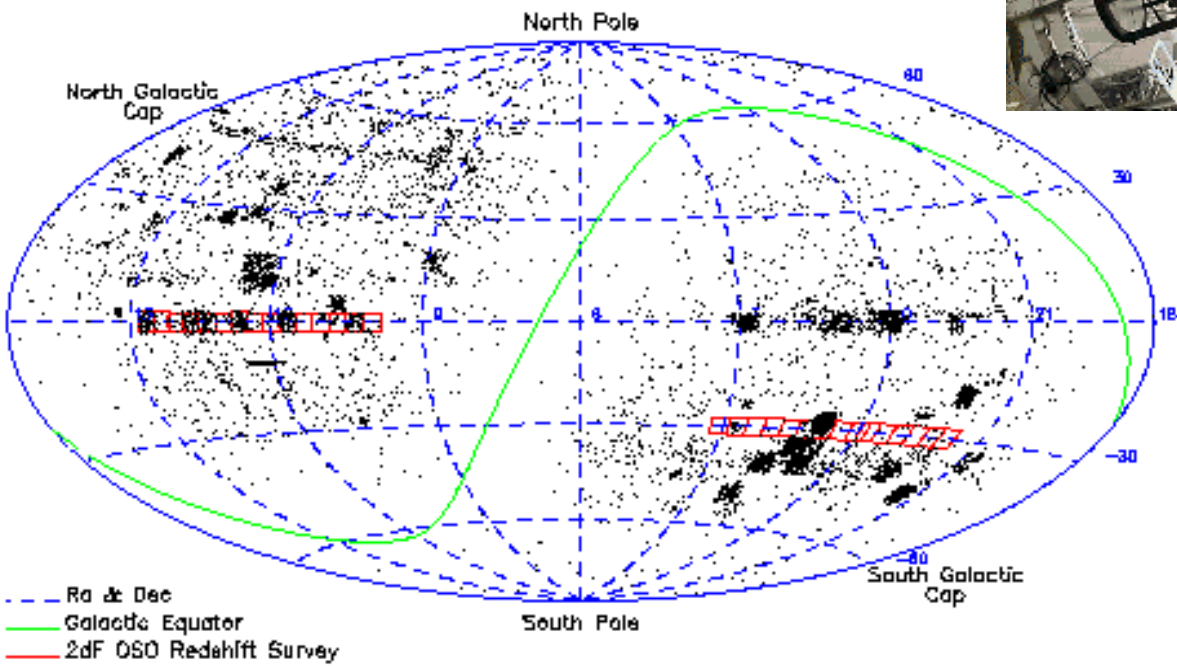
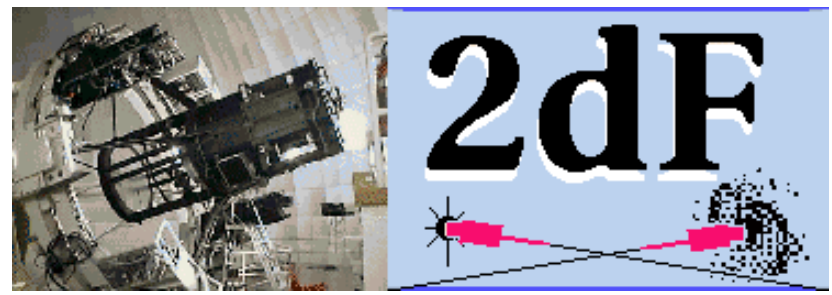
# template distribution for SDDS



# Two-degree Field Survey (2dF)

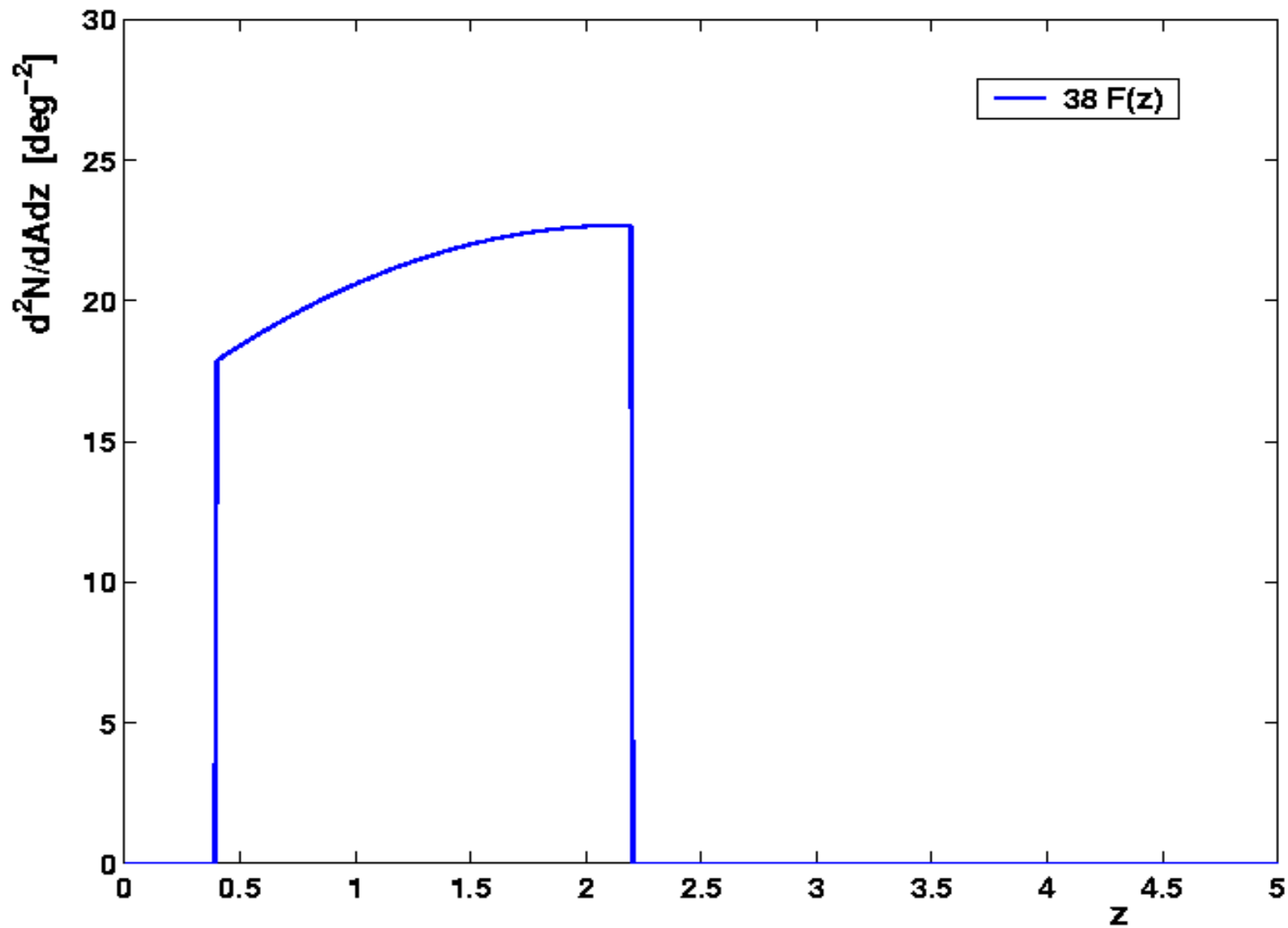
$$N_Q \approx 30000, A \approx 750 \text{ deg}^2 \Rightarrow \Sigma \approx 40 \text{ deg}^{-2}$$

$$B_{\text{max}} \approx 21.4$$



[Boyle *et alii* (1998)]

# template distribution of 2DF



# Poisson limit regime

## Number density

$$n(z) = \frac{dN(z)}{dz} \frac{dz}{dV}, \quad dV = g f^2 d\Omega$$

$$n(z) = \frac{(180/2\pi)^2 \Sigma F(z)}{g f^2}$$

- $N_{cl}$   $\longrightarrow$  mean number of clustered neighbors per quasar:

cut-off parameter

We used  $\lambda = 2$

$$N_{cl} = \int_0^{\lambda r_0} n \xi(r) 4\pi r^2 dr,$$



$$N_{cl} = \frac{4\pi\lambda^{3-\gamma}}{3-\gamma} n r_0^3$$

In our case  $N_{cl} < 1$

‘Sparse sampling’ or Poisson limit regime

# number of pairs in a bin

- a physical model specifies the correlation function in real space (r-space).
- a redshift survey provides data in redshift space (s-space).

$$(dV)_r = g^3 j^2 (-2\pi s^2 ds d\mu) = g^3 j^2 (dV)_s$$

$$n_s (dV)_s \equiv n(z) (dV)_r$$

$$n_s(s, \mu) = g^3 j^2 n(z)$$

The number of pairs expected in a small bin in  $(s, \mu)$  within  $(z, z + \Delta z)$  is:

$$dN_{pairs} = N(z, z + \Delta z) dP = N(z, z + \Delta z) n_s [1 + \xi(s, \mu)] (-2\pi s^2 ds d\mu)$$

$$N(z, z + \Delta z) = N_Q \int_z^{z+\Delta z} F(z) dz$$

is the number of observed quasars  
in the redshift range

number of clustered quasar pairs

$$dN_{pairs} = -2\pi \left( \frac{180}{\pi} \right)^2 \frac{N_Q^2}{A} \frac{F^2(z)}{z^2} [1 + \xi(s, \mu)] s^2 dz ds d\mu$$

2DF - Total of 1200 bins

20 linear bins in **s** (from  $0.1s_0$  to  $2s_0$ ) ;  
5 linear bins in **|\mu|** (from 0 to 1) ;  
12 linear bins in **z** from (0.4 to 2.2)

# maximum likelihood estimation

Suppose the data (real or simulated) consists of pairs counts  $N_i$  in  $i$  bins. We have a model  $M$  for the correlation function  $M(s_0, \gamma, \Omega_m, \Omega_\Lambda)$ . The model predicts a number of pairs  $A_i$  in each bin. In the Poisson limit ( $N_c < 1$ ), the probability of detecting  $N_i$  pairs in bin  $i$  when  $A_i$  are expected is:

$$P(N_i | A_i) = \frac{e^{-A_i} A_i^{N_i}}{N_i!}$$

The probability for separate bins are independent, so the likelihood  $L$  of obtaining the data given the model is:

$$L \equiv P(D | M) = \prod_i \frac{e^{-A_i} A_i^{N_i}}{N_i!}$$

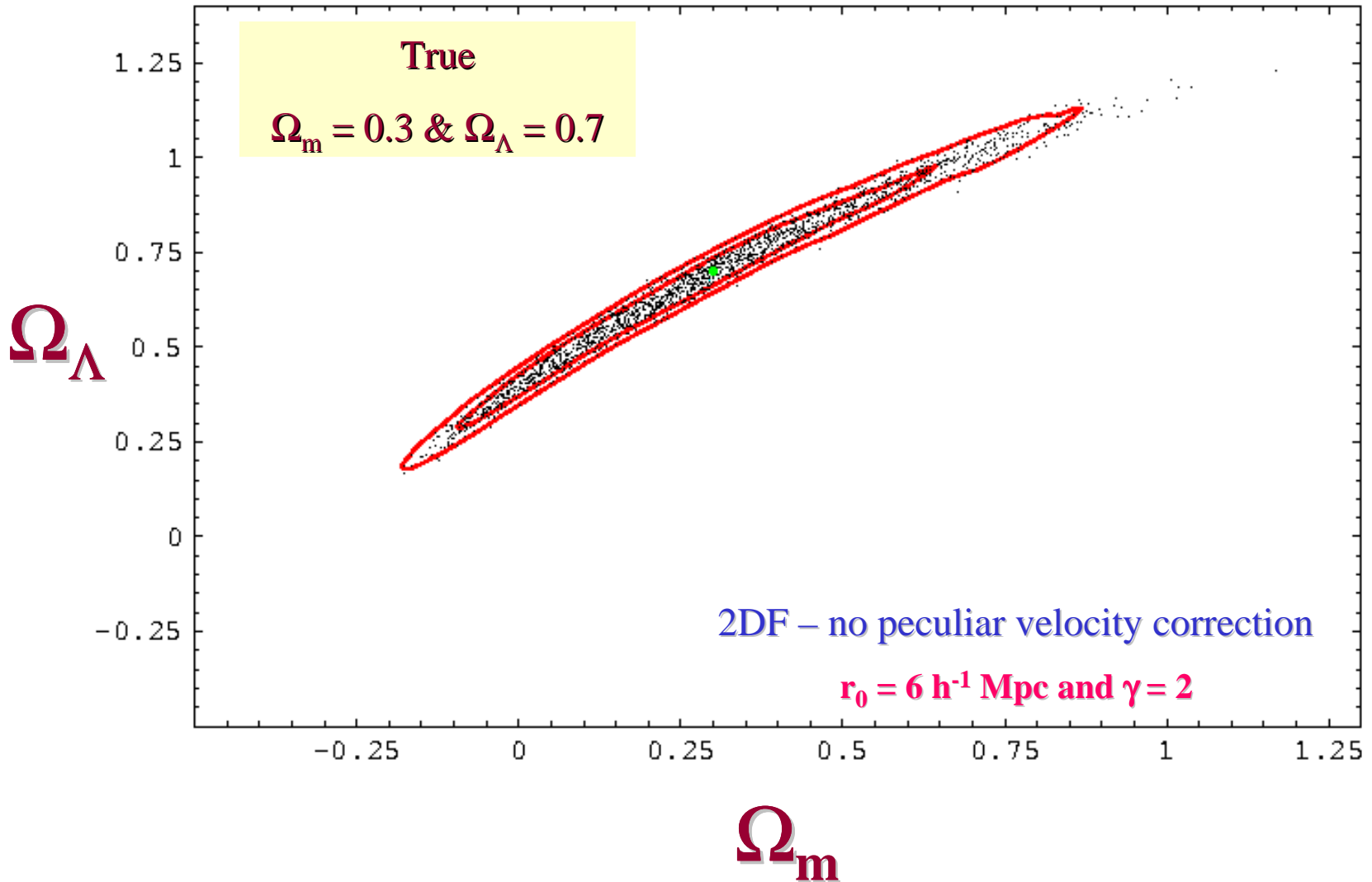
So,

$$\ln L = \sum_i (-A_i + N_i \ln A_i - \ln N_i!)$$

Since  $N_i$  are independent of the model parameters we find the maximum likelihood model by maximizing the quantity:

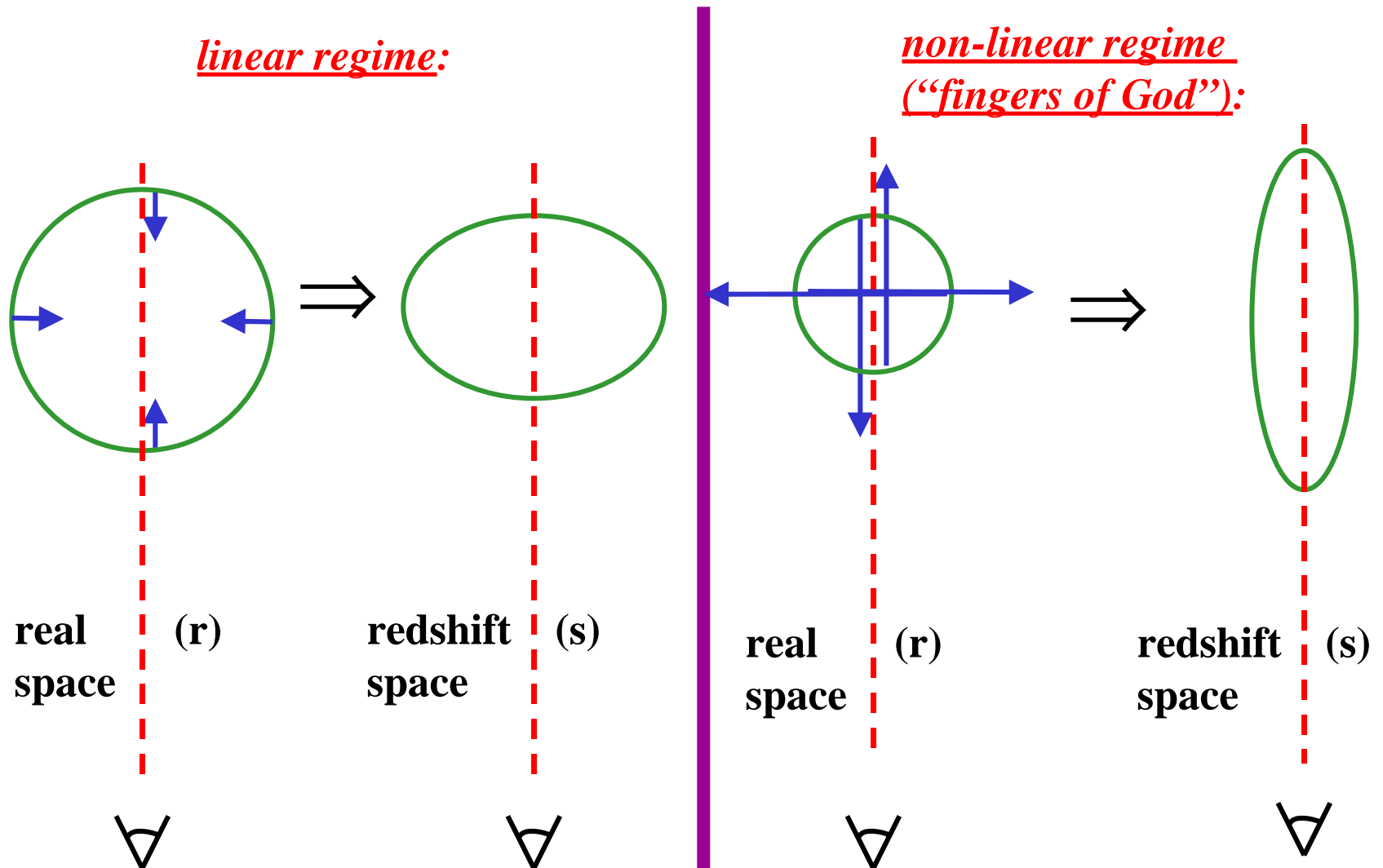
$$\ln L' = \sum_i (-A_i + N_i \ln A_i)$$

# contours



# peculiar velocities

- consideration of collapsing motions:



$$\xi_{cor}(s, \mu) = \xi_0 P_0(\mu) + \xi_2 P_2(\mu) + \xi_4 P_4(\mu)$$

Hamilton ApJ , 385, L5 (1992)

Where  $P_i$  are the Legendre polynomials and

$$\xi_0 = - \left( 1 + \frac{2\beta}{3} + \frac{\beta^2}{5} \right) \frac{\gamma - 3}{3} \xi(s, \mu)$$

$$\xi_2 = - \left( \frac{4\beta}{3} + \frac{4\beta^2}{7} \right) \frac{\gamma}{3} \xi(s, \mu)$$

$$\xi_4 = \frac{8\beta^2}{35} \frac{\gamma(\gamma + 2)}{3(5 - \gamma)} \xi(s, \mu)$$

$$\beta = \frac{f}{b}$$

$$f = \frac{d \ln \Delta_+}{d \ln a}$$

$b$  is the bias parameter and  $\Delta_+$  is the growing mode of the matter density contrast. We use  $b=2$  in our simulations.

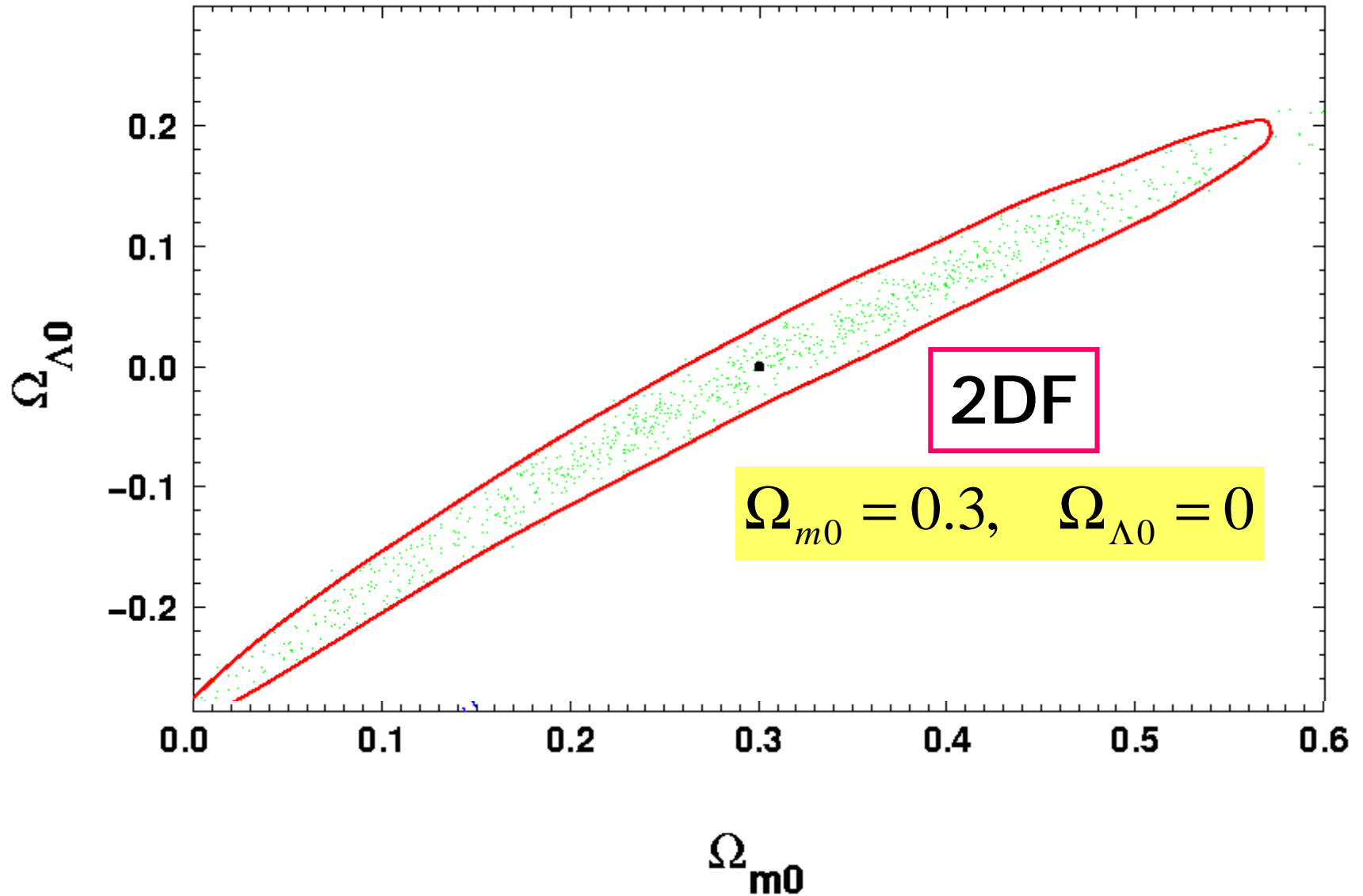
$$\Delta_+ = \frac{5}{2} \Omega_{m0} H \int_z^\infty \frac{1+x}{H^3} dx \quad ; \quad w = -1 ; \quad H = H(z, \Omega_{m0}, \Omega_{\Lambda 0}) \quad \text{Heath MNRAS, 179, 351, (1977)}$$

$$\Delta_+ \cong \Omega_m^{4/7}(z) + \frac{\Omega_\Lambda(z)}{70} \left( 1 + \frac{\Omega_m(z)}{2} \right) \quad \text{Lahav, Lilje, Primack & Rees MNRAS, 251, 136, (1991)}$$

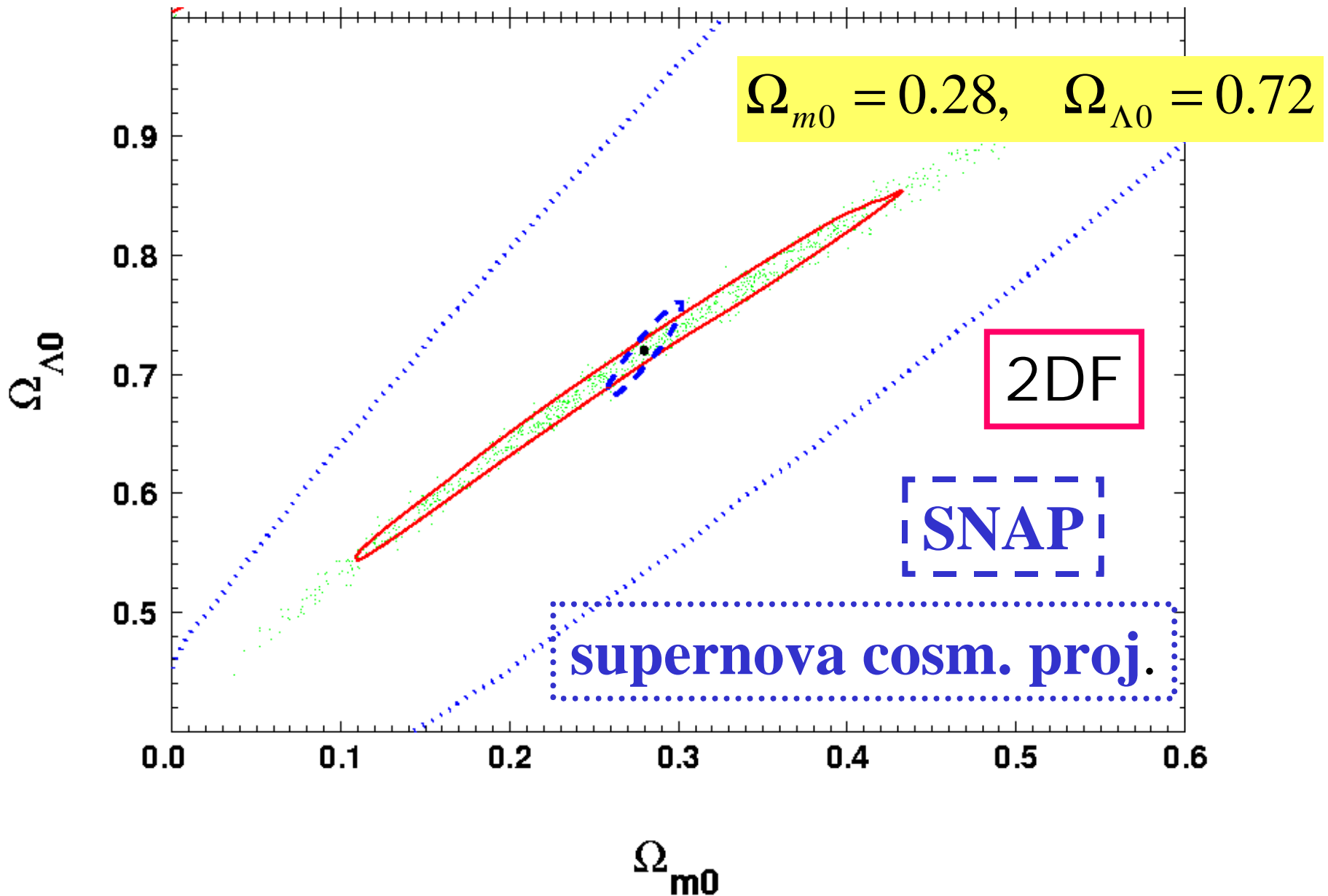
for the flat case ( $k = 0$ ) and any  $w$  we have, Silveira & Waga PRD 50, 4890, (1994).

$$\Delta_+ = \left( \frac{1}{1+z} \right) \text{Hypergeometric2F1} \left[ -\frac{1}{3w}, \frac{w-1}{2}, 1 - \frac{5}{6w}; -\frac{1 - \Omega_{m0}}{\Omega_{m0}} \left( \frac{1}{1+z} \right)^{3-m} \right]$$

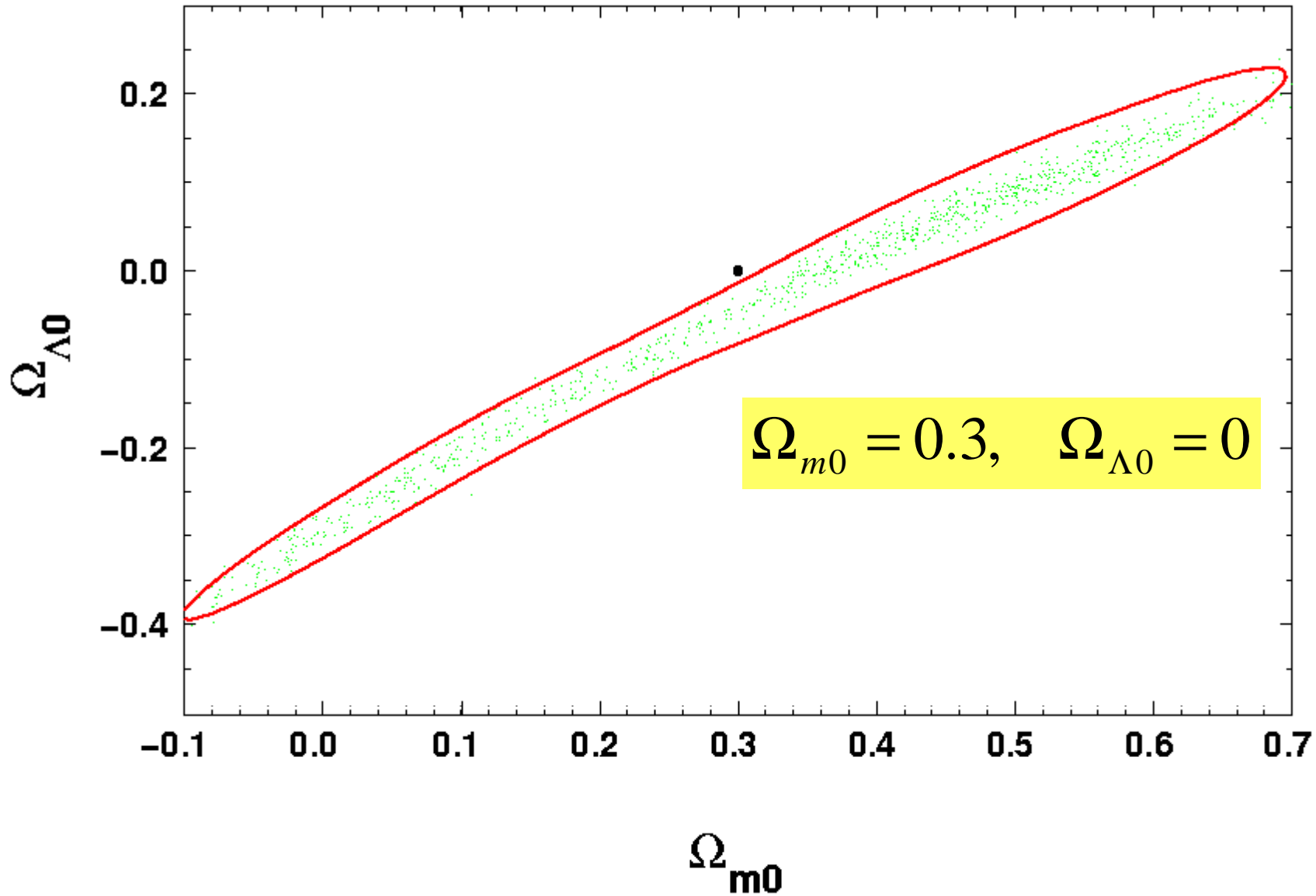
two sigmas contour (w=-1)



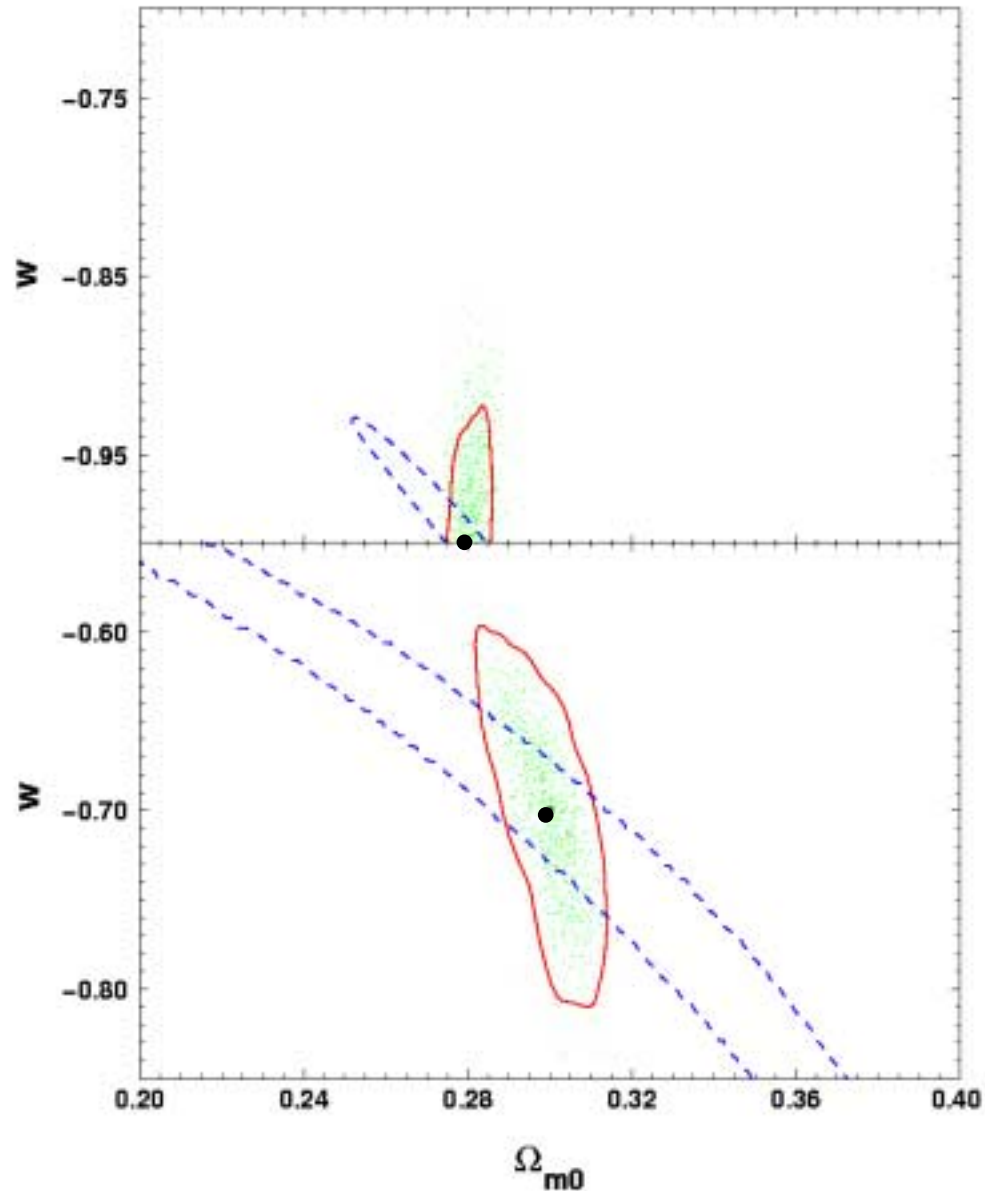
# one sigma contours (w=-1)



# effect of peculiar velocities



# equation of state (flat models)



$$\Omega_{m0} = 0.28, \quad w = -1$$

SNAP mission

$$\Omega_{m0} = 0.3, \quad w = -0.7$$

DEEP survey

# Ongoing work

- ❖ the role of the parameters  $r_0$  and  $\gamma$   
evolution & marginalization
- ❖ SDDS and 2DF more realistically
- ❖ the role of binning in  $dz$ ,  $ds$  and  $d\mu$
- ❖ extension to other cosmological models  
(e. g., scalar field cosmology)