

# Constraining cosmological models with the Effective Field Theory of Large-Scale Structures

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*[Cosmological inference from the EFTofLSS: the eBOSS QSO full-shape analysis]*

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○ 4 parameters  $b_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) to describe the **galaxy bias** which arises from the one-loop contributions

○ 3 parameters corresponding to **counterterms** ( $c_{ct}$  linear combination of a higher derivative bias and the dark matter sound speed, while  $c_{r,1}$  and  $c_{r,2}$  are the redshift-space counterterms)

○ 3 parameters which describe **stochastic terms**

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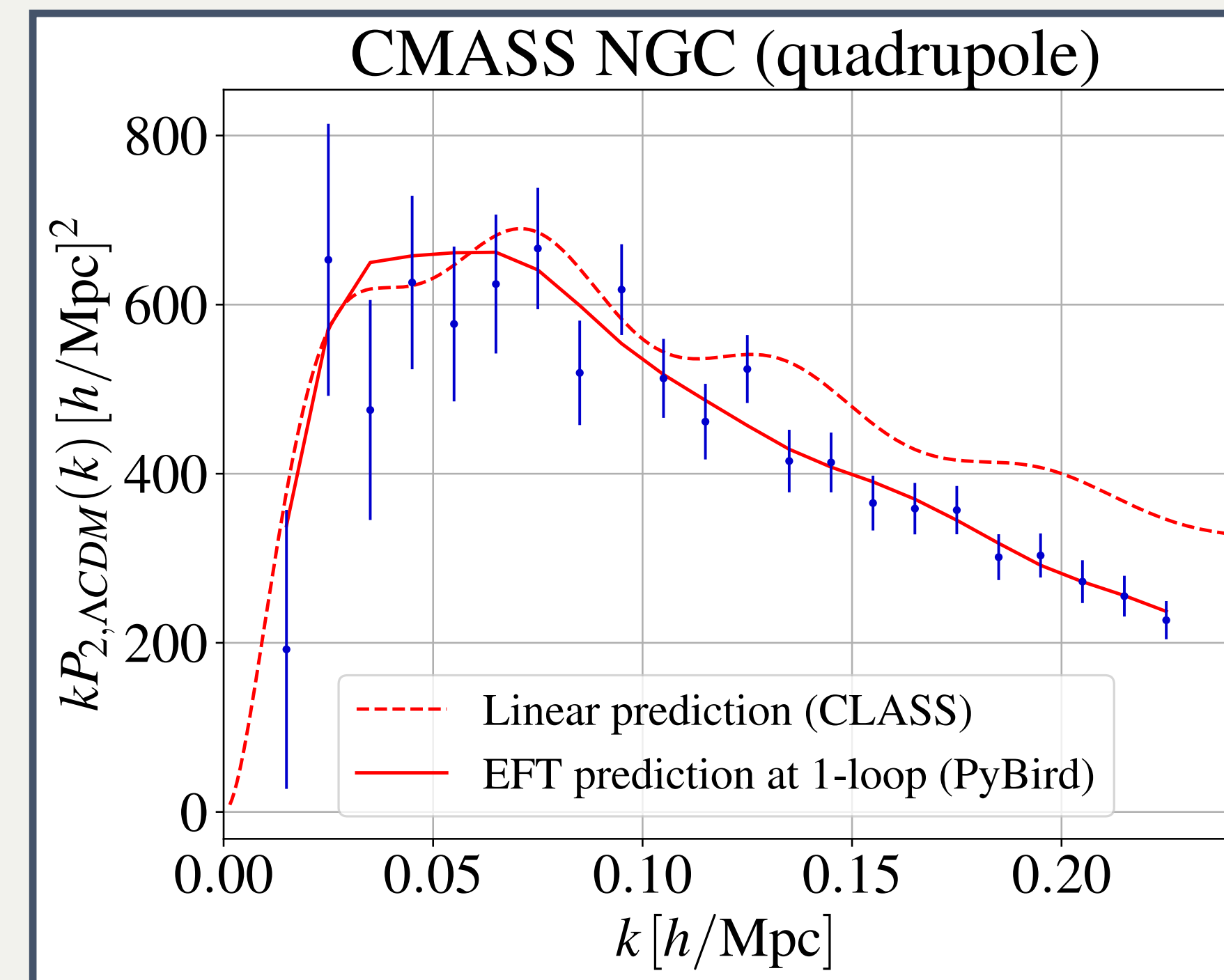
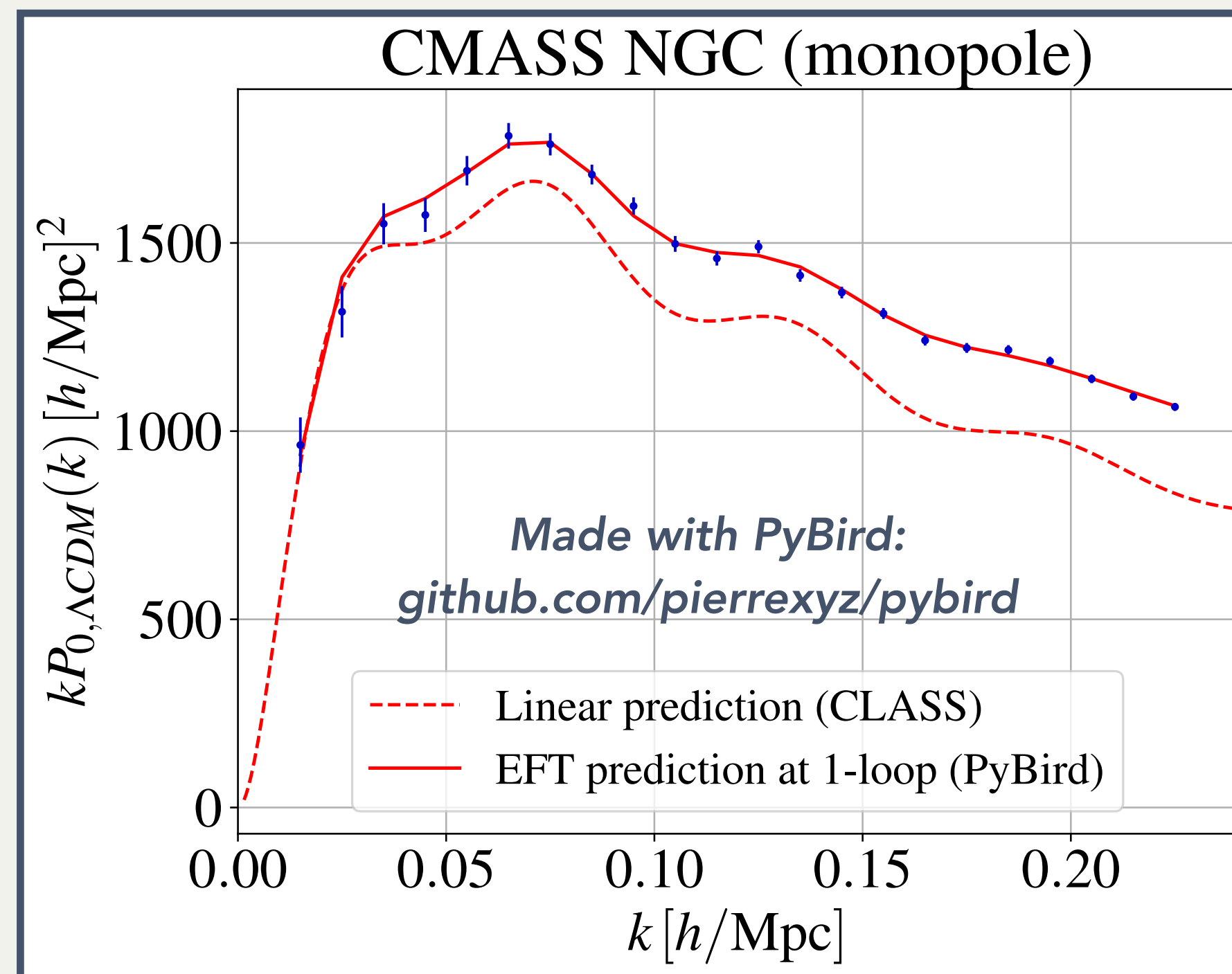
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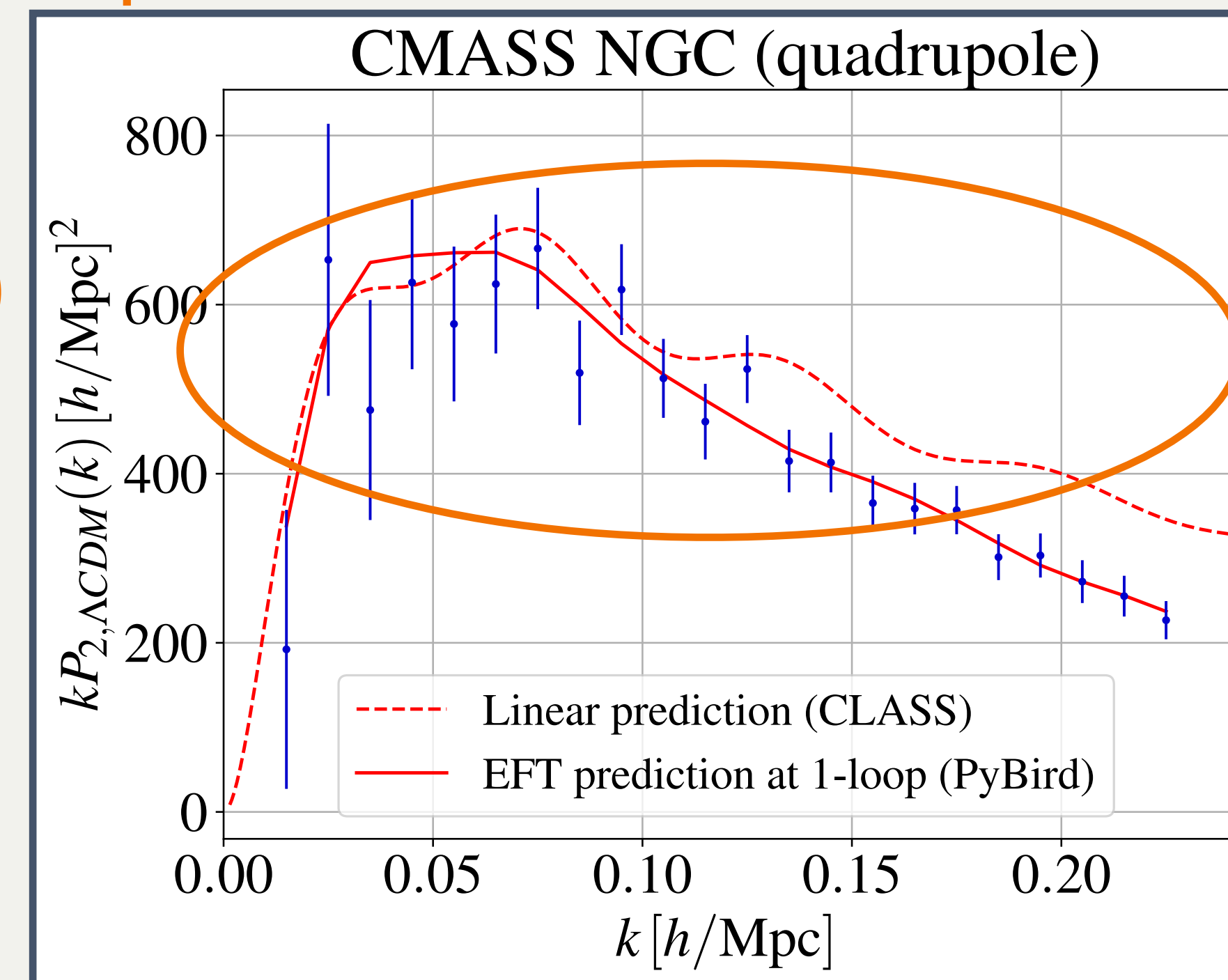
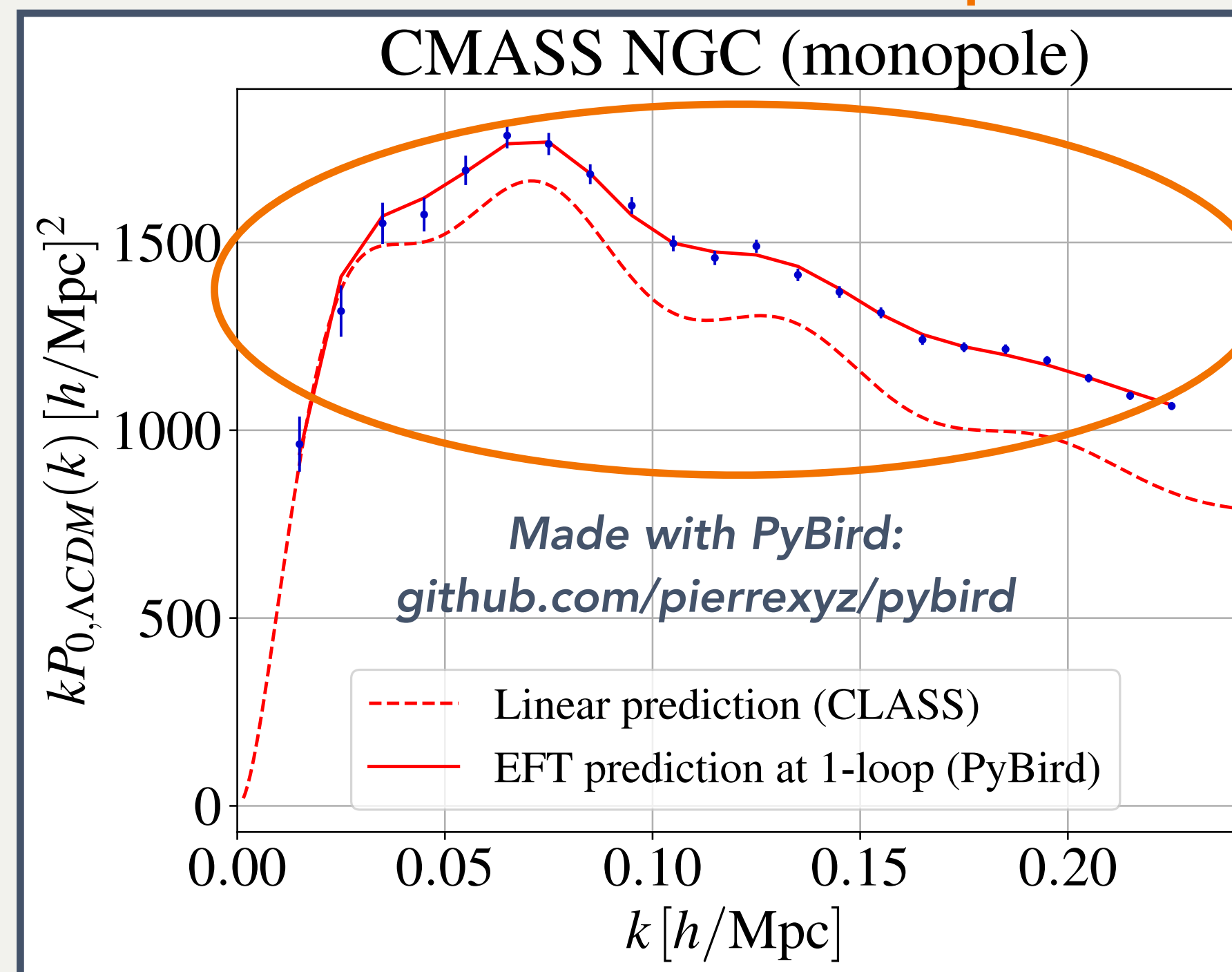
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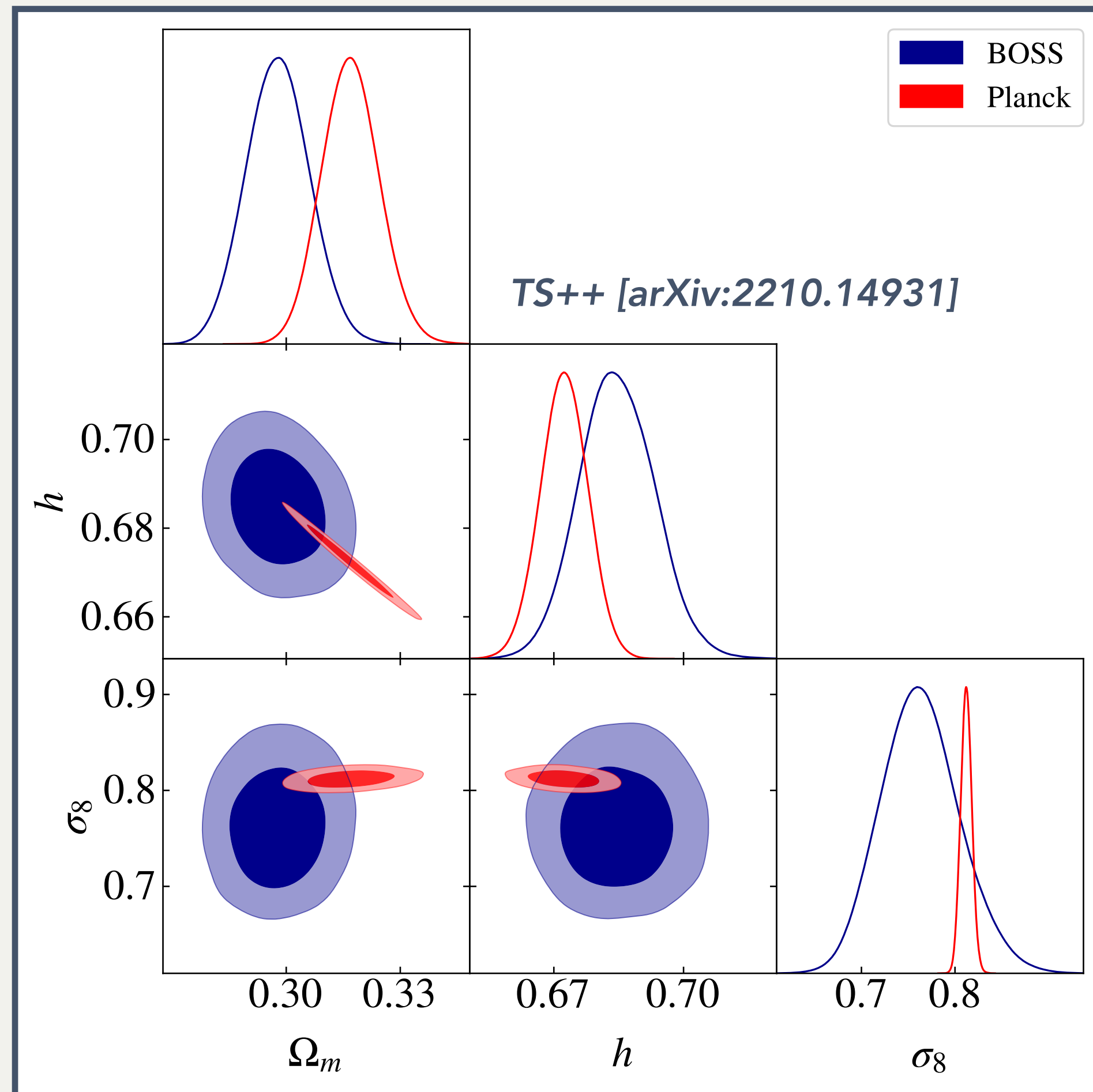
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Improvement in precision!



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The EFTofLSS analysis of BOSS data allows to determine  $\Omega_m$  and  $h$  with a **precision of only 10 % and 60 %** lower than Planck

See also D'Amico++ [arXiv:1909.05271] ; Philcox++ [arXiv:2002.04035]

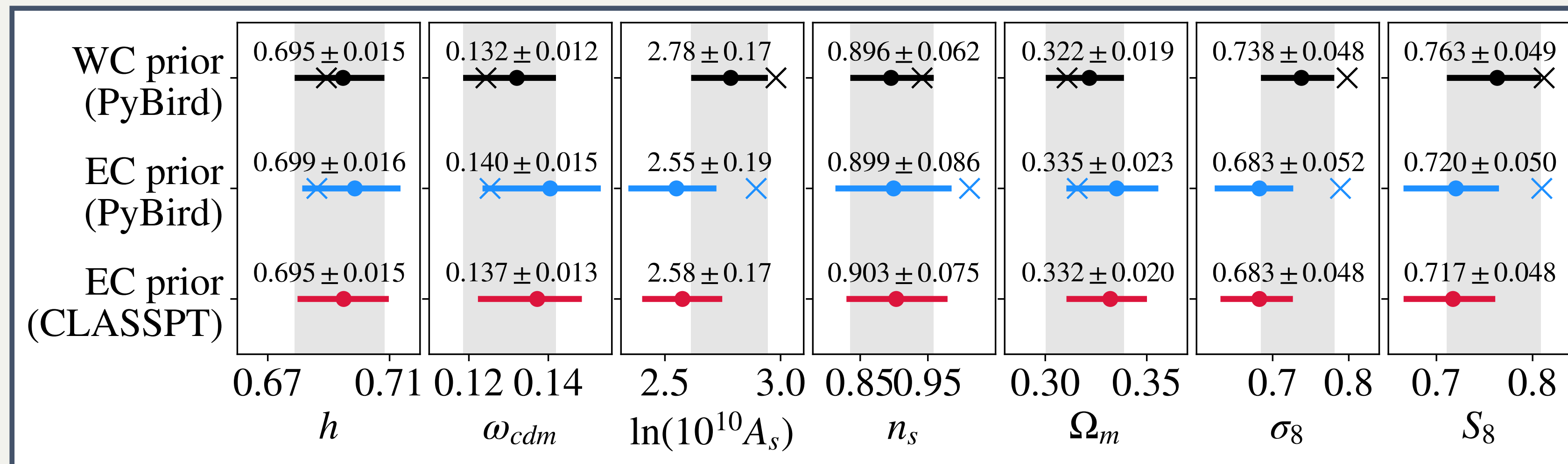
# On the consistency of EFTofLSS

The EFT prior issue

There are **two main codes** in the literature with **two different parametrizations**:

- **CLASS PT** with the **EC** parametrization *Chudaykin++ [arXiv:2004.10607]*
- **PyBird** with the **WC** parametrization *D'Amico++ [arXiv:2003.07956]*  
(+ **Velociraptor** *Chen++ [arXiv:2005.00523]*)

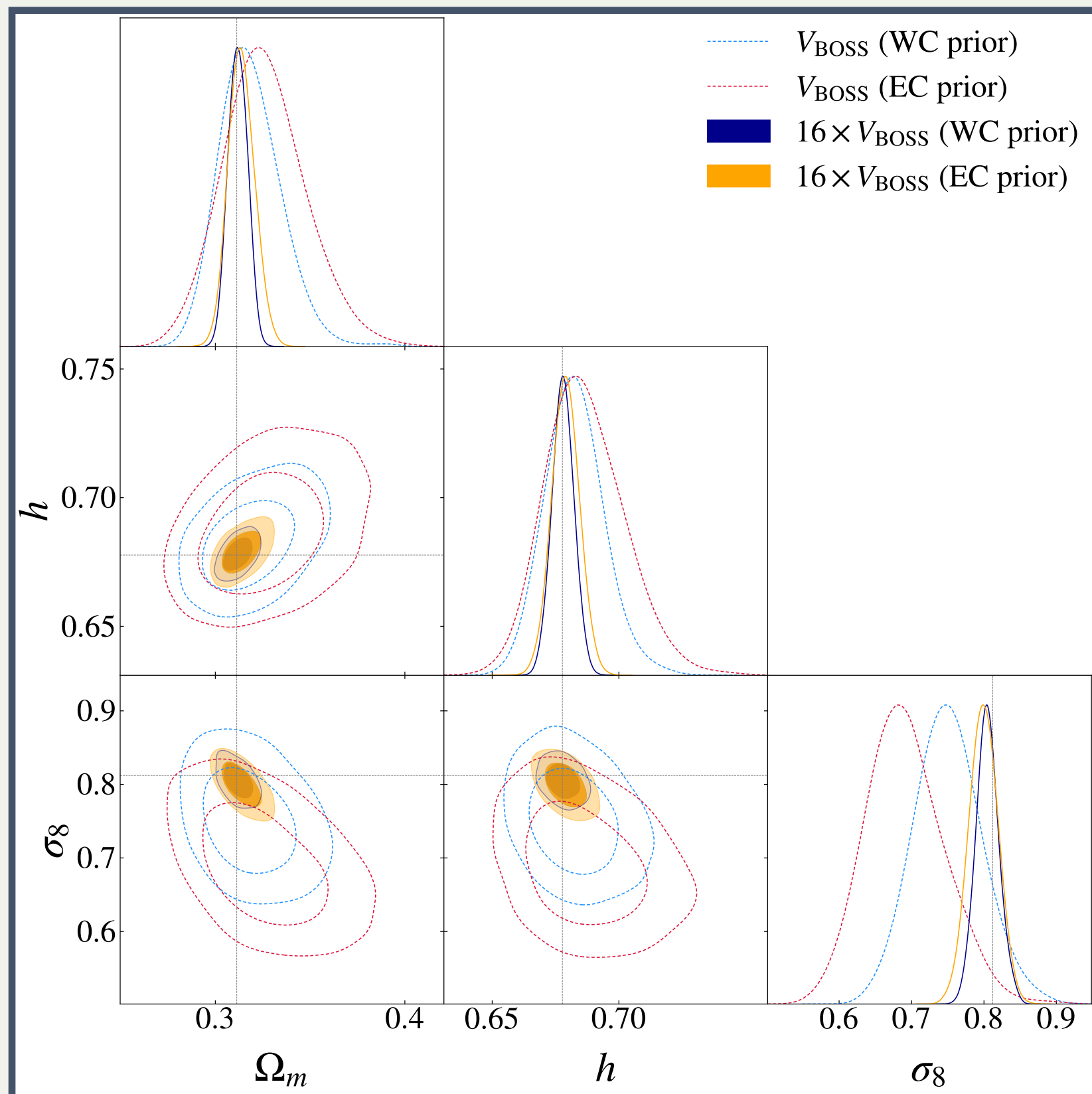
→ these two codes use **two different sets of priors** on EFT parameters



TS++ [arXiv:2208.05929]

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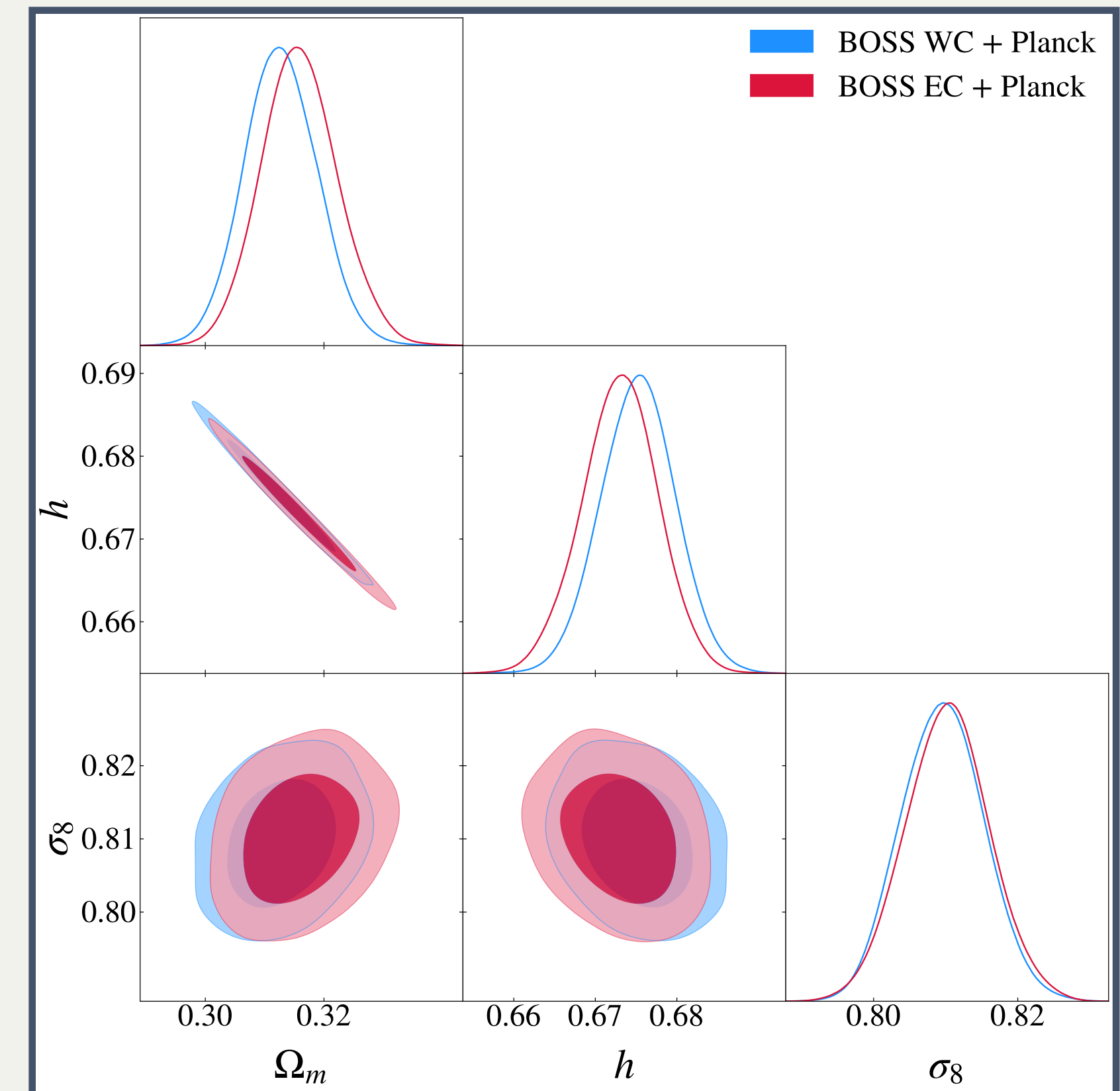
*How to overcome this problem?*



We find good consistency for:

- a larger volume of data (future experiments like DESI or EUCLID)
- a combination with Planck data

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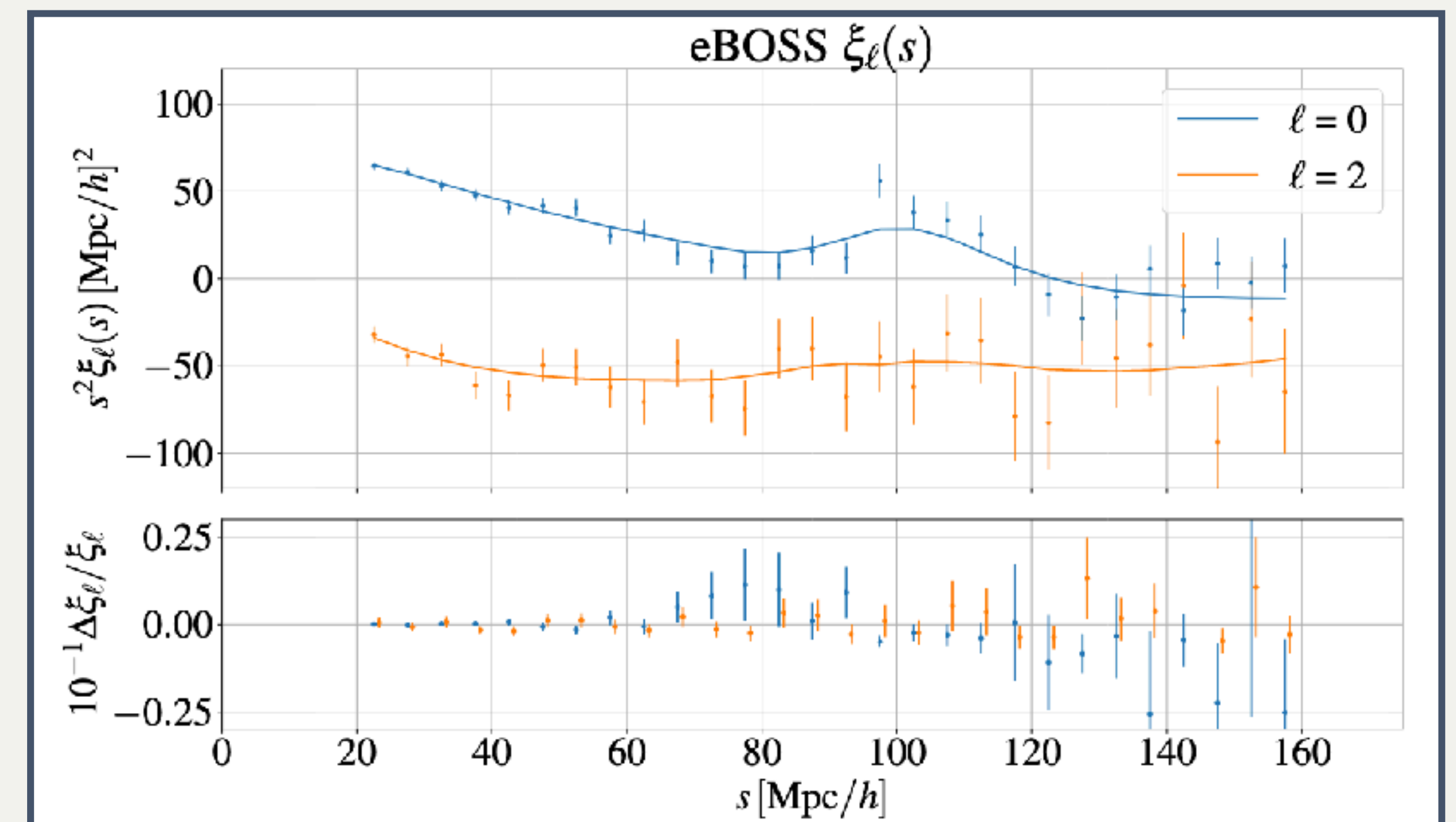
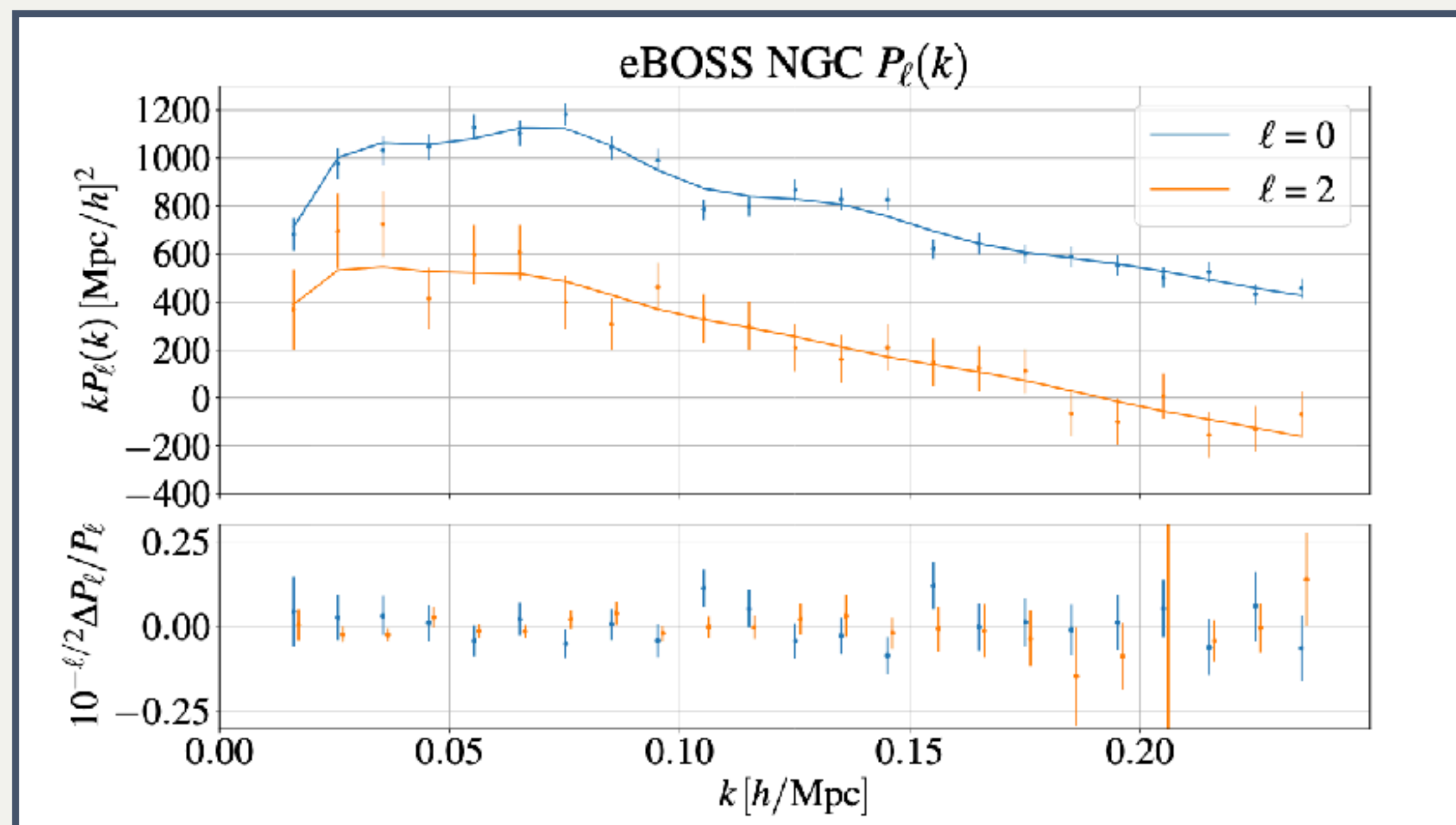
**Work in progress:** profile likelihood of the EFTofLSS analysis of BOSS data



# EFTofLSS applied to eBOSS QSO data

- **343 708 quasars** selected in the redshift range  $0.8 < z < 2.2$
- $z_{\text{eff}} = 1.5$
- 2 skycuts: NGC and SGC

eBOSS Collaboration  
[arXiv:2007.08991]



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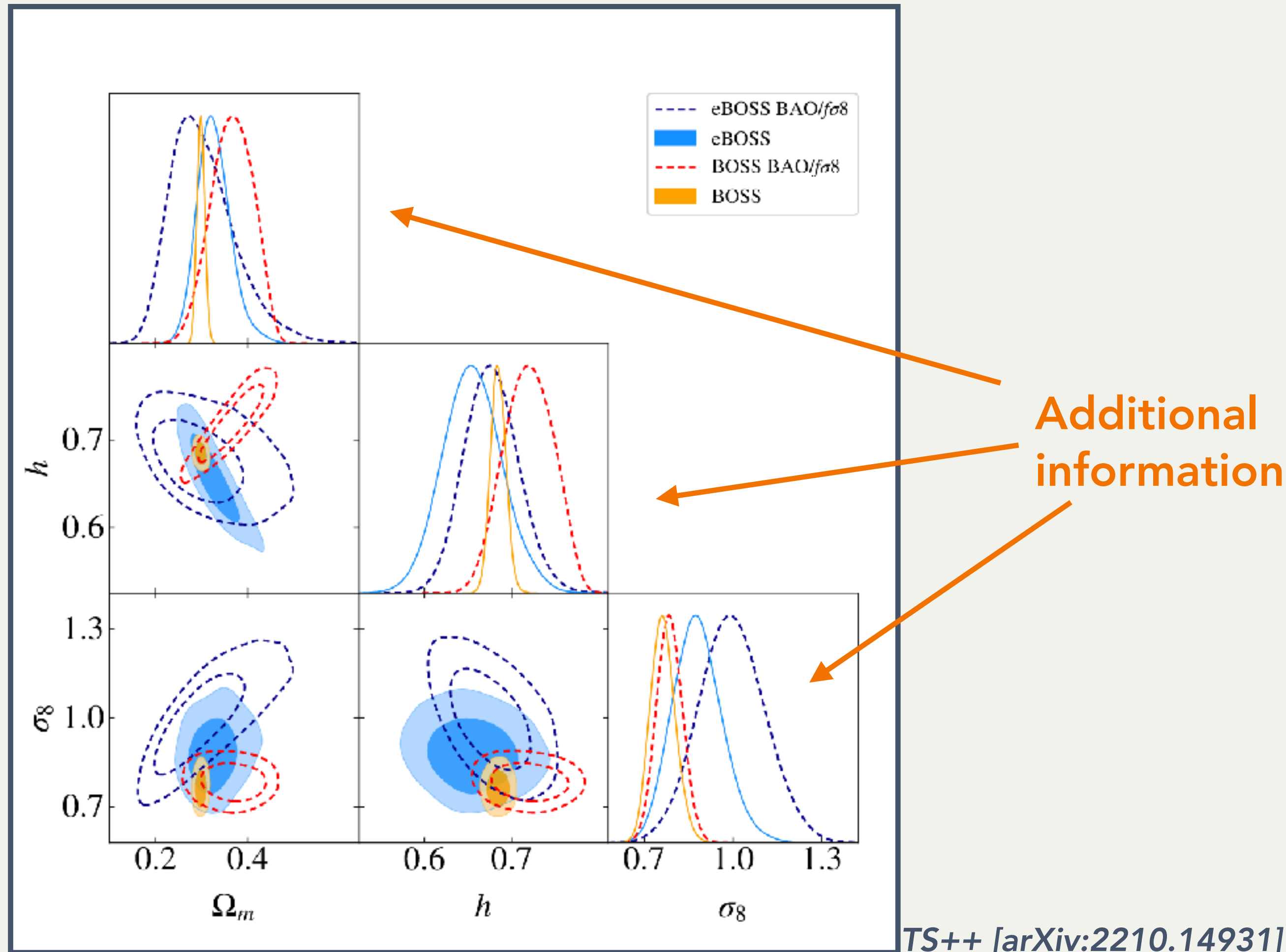
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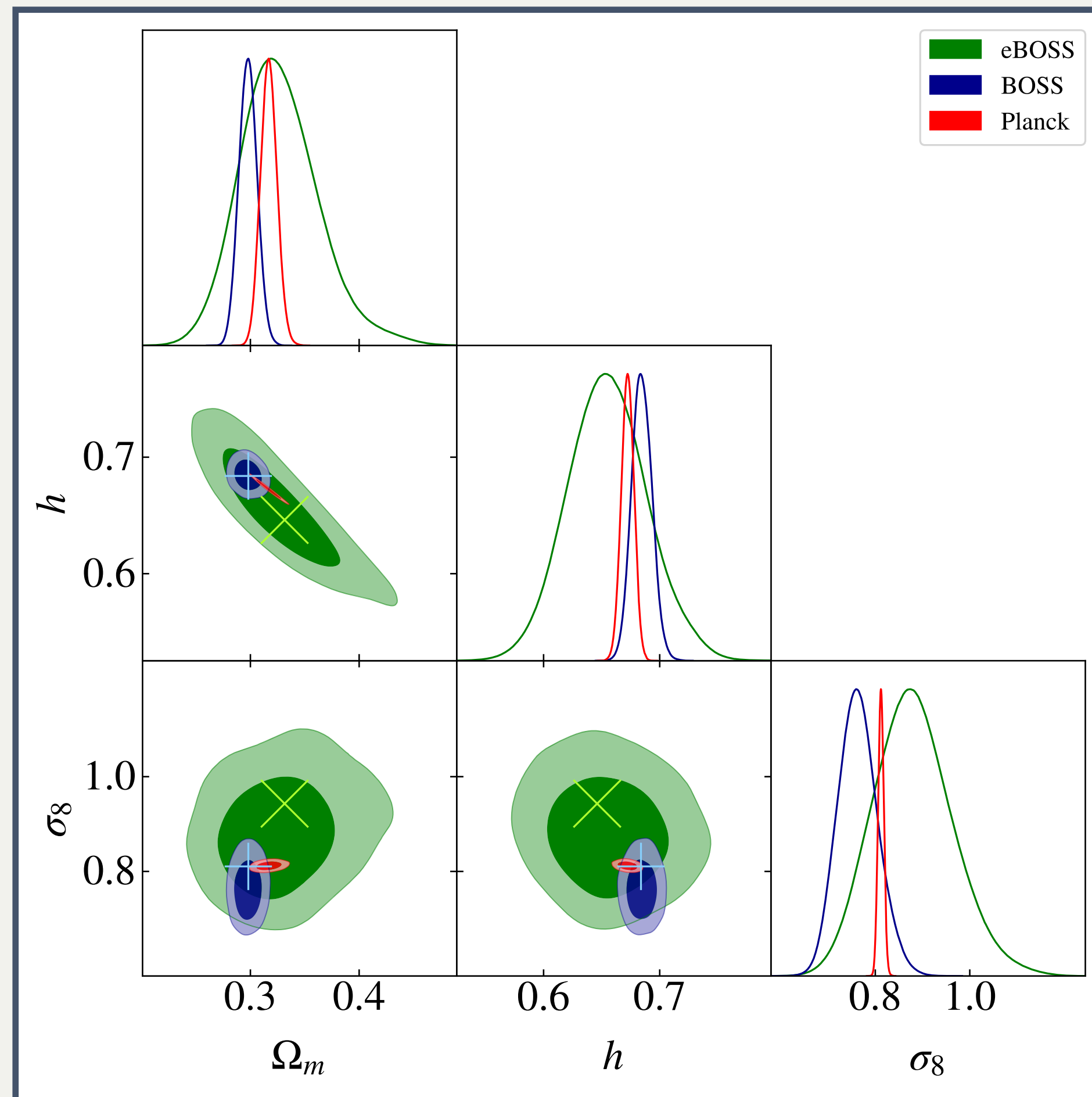
# BAO/ $f\sigma_8$ vs EFTofLSS



- For **eBOSS**, the error bars of  $\Omega_m$  and  $\sigma_8$  are reduced by a factor  $\sim 2.0$  and  $\sim 1.3$
- For **BOSS**, the error bars of  $\Omega_m$  and  $h$  are reduced by a factor  $\sim 5.4$  and  $\sim 3.2$



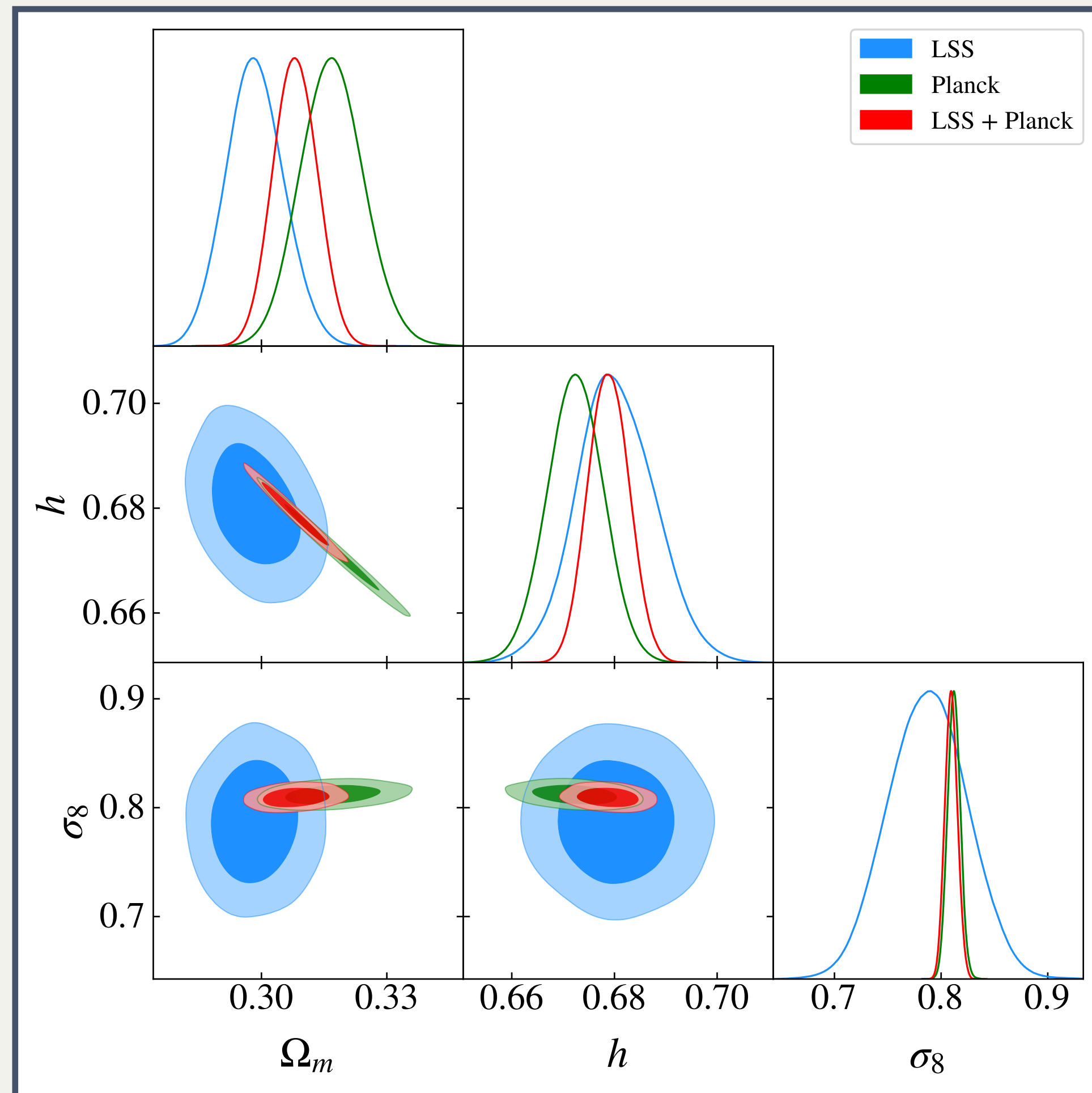
# LSS data vs Planck



- **eBOSS, BOSS and Planck are consistent at  $\lesssim 1.8\sigma$  on all cosmological parameters**
  - $h$  is  $\sim 1\sigma$  lower for eBOSS than for BOSS, while  $\sigma_8$  is  $\sim 1.5\sigma$  higher
  - The  $h$  and  $\sigma_8$  Planck values are in-between those of BOSS and eBOSS
- **there is no tension between Planck and BOSS/eBOSS**

TS++ [arXiv:2210.14931]

# LSS data combined with Planck



**LSS:** eBOSS + BOSS + ext-BAO + Pantheon

(*ext-BAO*: 6dF & MGS (SDSS) data)

- **Compared to Planck alone**, the constraints on  $\Omega_m$  and  $h$  are **improved by  $\sim 30\%$**
- $\sigma_8$  and  $A_s$  are not significantly impacted

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# Extensions to $\Lambda$ CDM: curvature density fraction $\Omega_k$

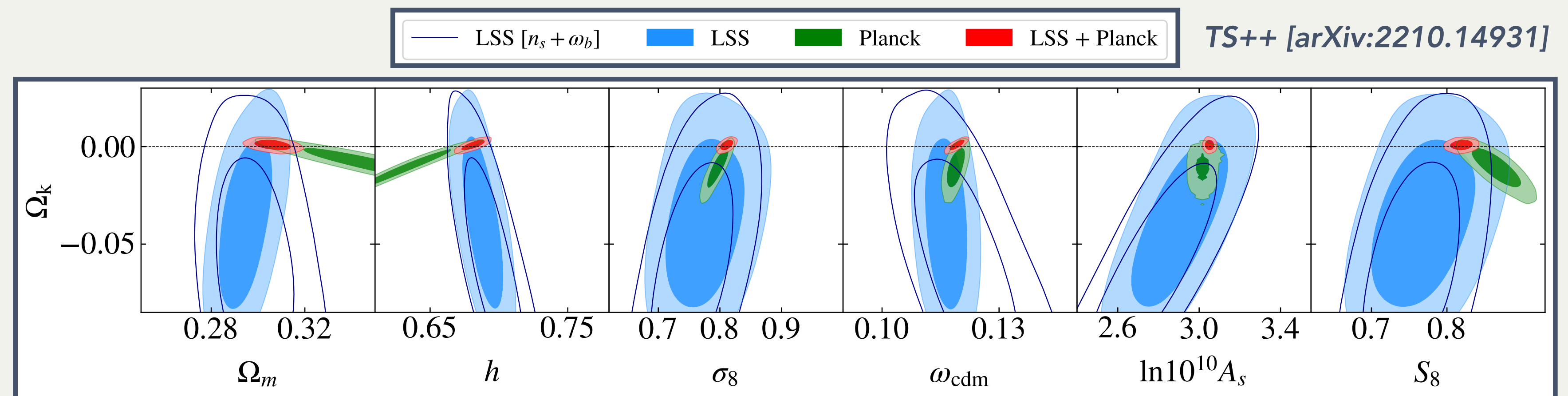
- With LSS data only, we find  $\Omega_k$  **compatible with zero curvature at  $1.3\sigma$**
- The EFT analysis **significantly improves the constraints** on  $\Omega_k$  by  $\sim 50\%$  compared to the conventional BAO/ $f\sigma_8$  analysis
- The combination of LSS and Planck leads to a **strong constraint** and excludes the (slightly favored) negative values of  $\Omega_k$

**LSS:**

$$\Omega_k = -0.039^{+0.028}_{-0.029}$$

**LSS+Planck:**

$$\Omega_k = 0.0008^{+0.0018}_{-0.0017}$$

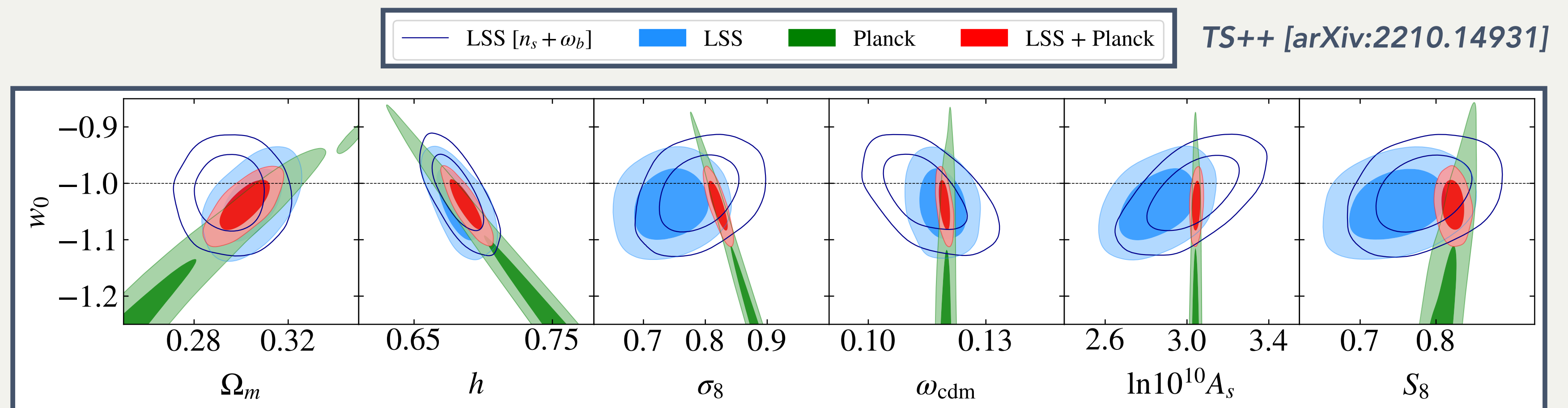


# Extensions to $\Lambda$ CDM: dark energy equation of state $w_0$

- With the LSS data only, we find **no evidence for a universe with  $w_0 \neq -1$**
- The EFT analysis **improves the constraints** on  $w_0$  by  $\sim 20\%$  compared to the conventional BAO/ $f\sigma_8$  analysis
- The addition of LSS data select values of  $w_0$  close to  $-1$ , located in the  $2\sigma$  region reconstructed from Planck data

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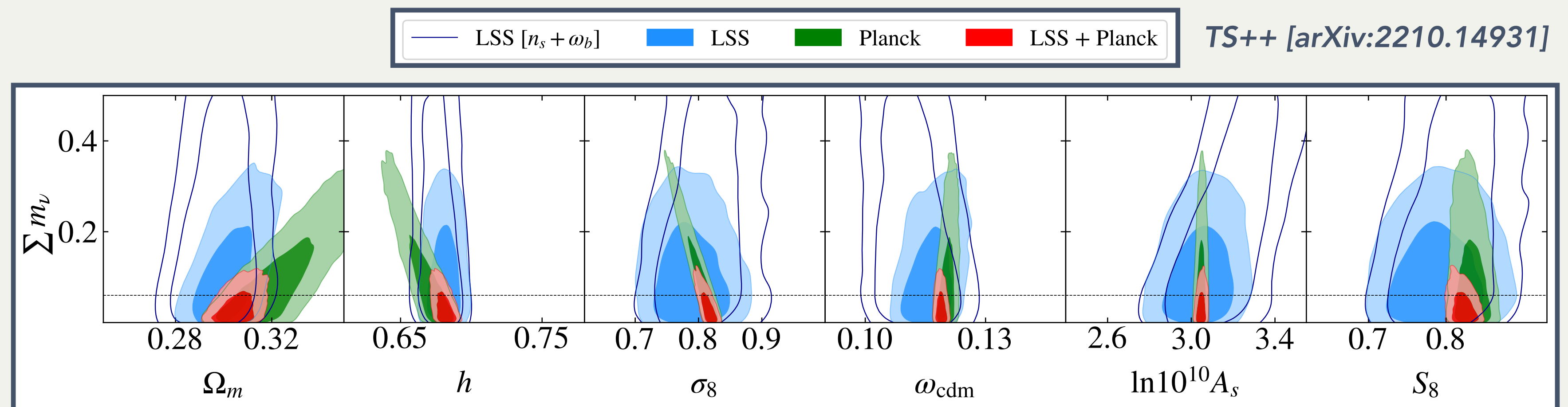


# Extensions to $\Lambda$ CDM: total neutrino mass $\sum m_\nu$

- The LSS constraint derived in this work is **only**  $\sim 10\%$  **weaker than the Planck constraint** ( $\sum m_\nu = 0.241eV$ )
- The EFT analysis **significantly improves the constraints** on  $\sum m_\nu$  (by a factor of  $\sim 18$ ) over the conventional BAO/ $f\sigma_8$  analysis ( $\sum m_\nu = 4.84eV$ )  
*Palanque-Delabrouille++ [arXiv:1911.09073]*
- This analysis **disfavors the inverse hierarchy** at  $\sim 2.2\sigma$  & is **competitive to the Lyman- $\alpha$  constraints**

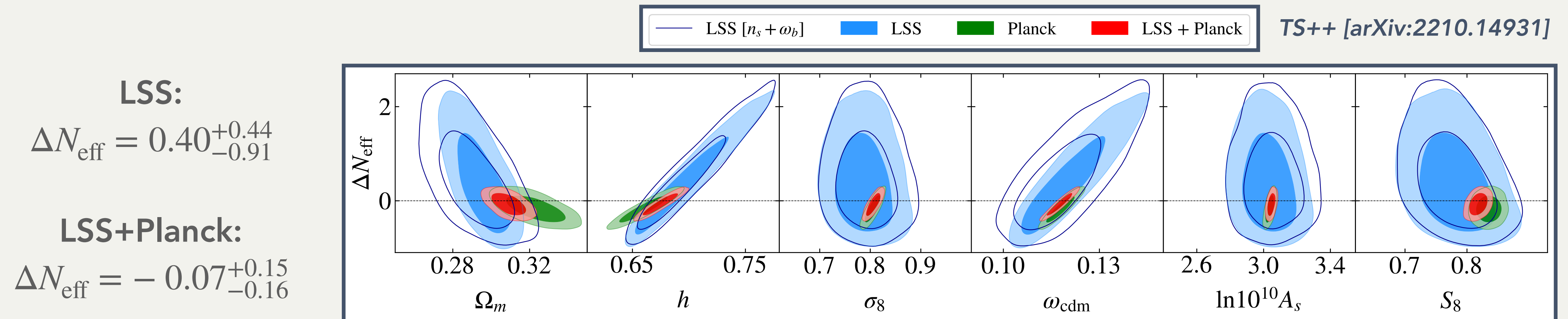
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# Extensions to $\Lambda$ CDM: effective number of relativistic species $N_{\text{eff}}$

- The value of  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  is **compatible with the standard model**
- Unlike EFTofLSS, **the conventional BAO/ $f\sigma_8$  analysis is unable to constrain this parameter**
- The addition of the LSS data **improves** the results of Planck alone by  $\sim 25\%$



# Conclusion

- The EFTofLSS is a novel method that provides an **accurate description of LSS data at a controlled precision**
- Constraints from LSS data are **competitive with CMB data**
- EFTofLSS allows to highlight that **there is no tension** between current BOSS/eBOSS data and Planck data (but not in tension with weak lensing neither)
- Data are consistent with  $\Lambda$ CDM at  $\lesssim 1.3\sigma \rightarrow$  Strong constraints on canonical extensions to  $\Lambda$ CDM  
e.g. *LSS+Planck*:  $\sum m_\nu < 0.093eV$
- EFTofLSS provides **interesting constraints on non-trivial extensions** of the  $\Lambda$ CDM model:
  - $\rightarrow$  see [TS et al. '22, arXiv:2203.07440] for **Decaying Cold Dark Matter**
  - $\rightarrow$  see [TS et al. '22, arXiv:2208.05930] for **Early Dark Energy**

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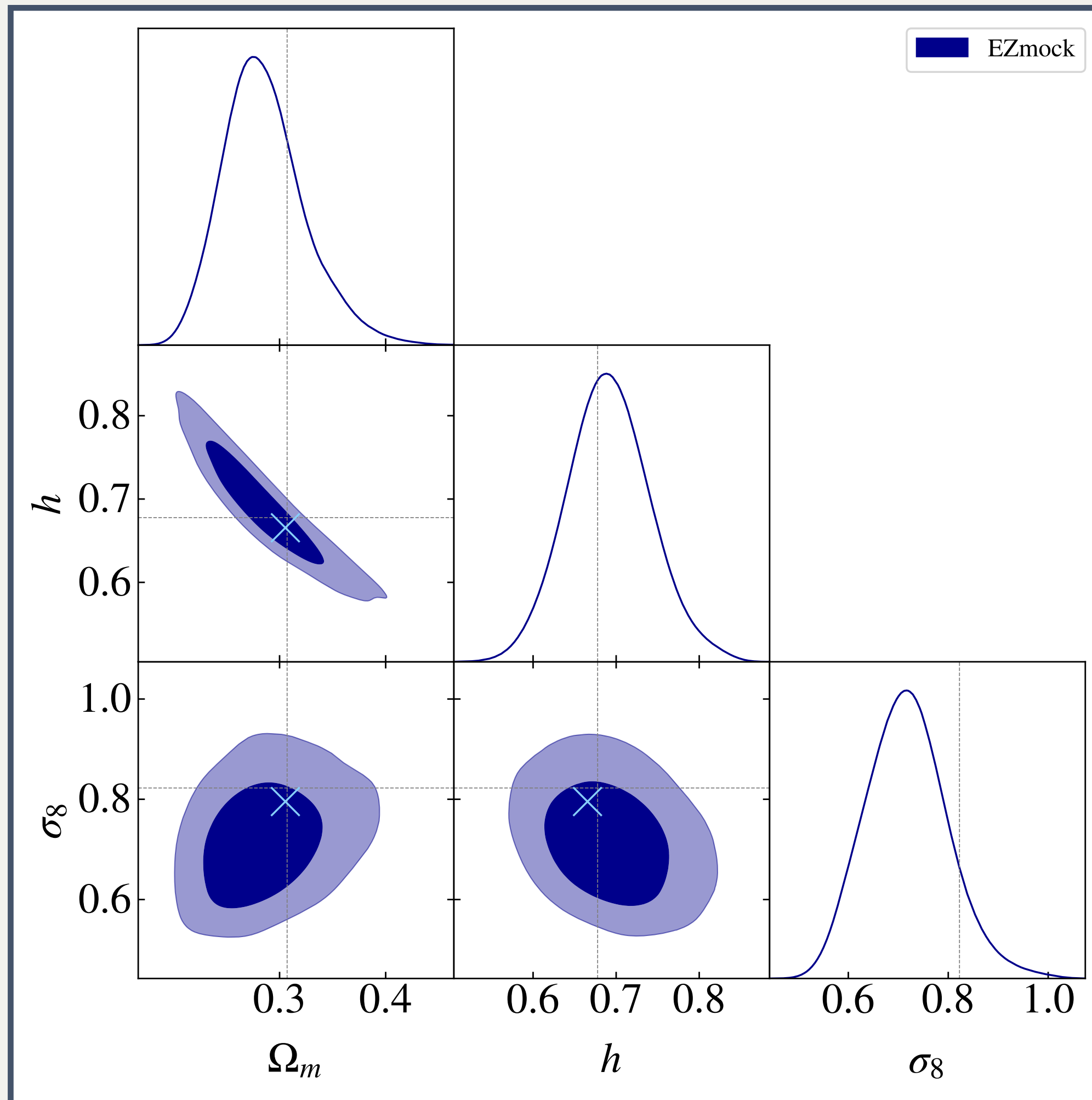
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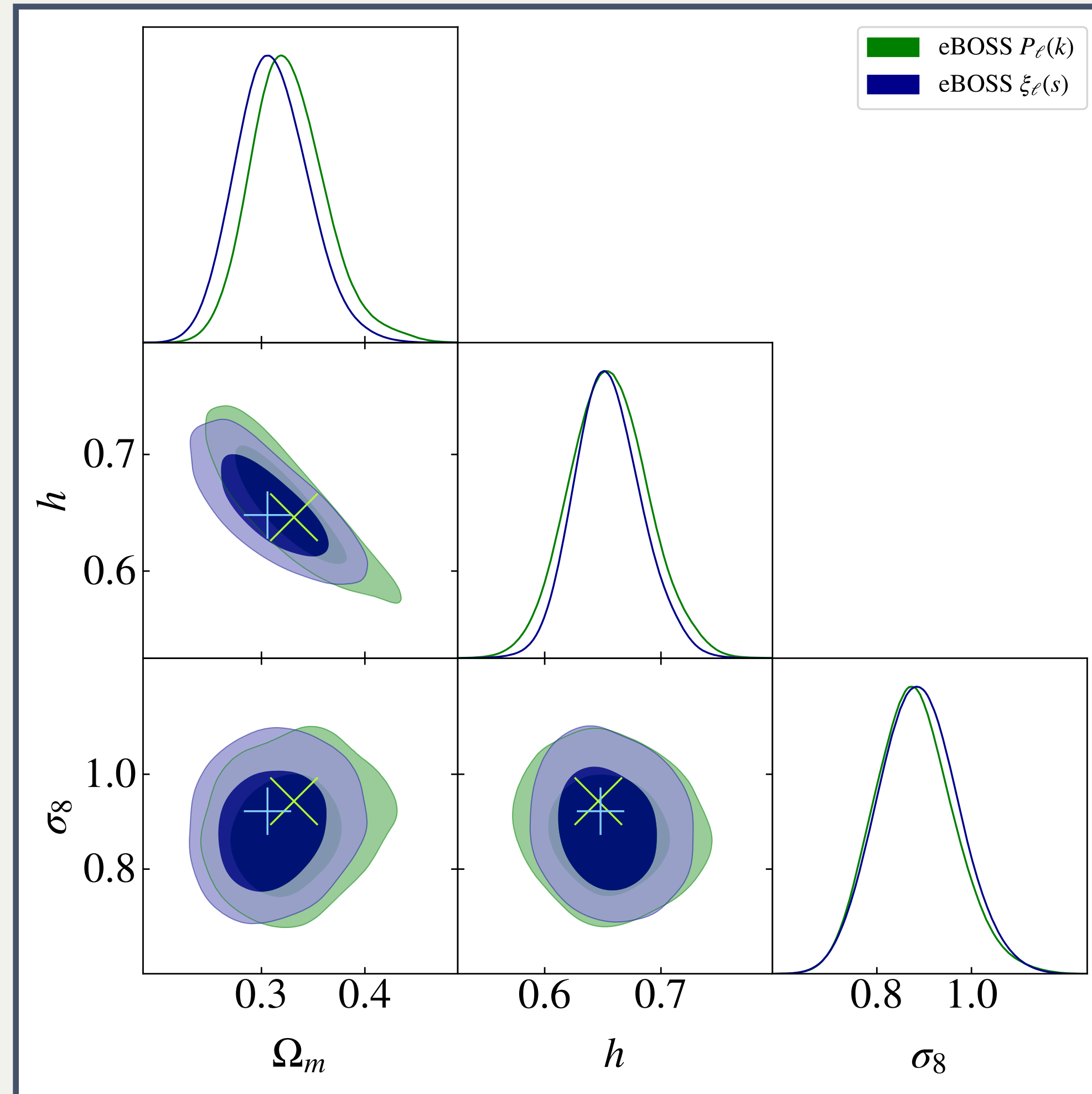
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- **EZmock**: mocks that are built to simulate eBOSS observational characteristics

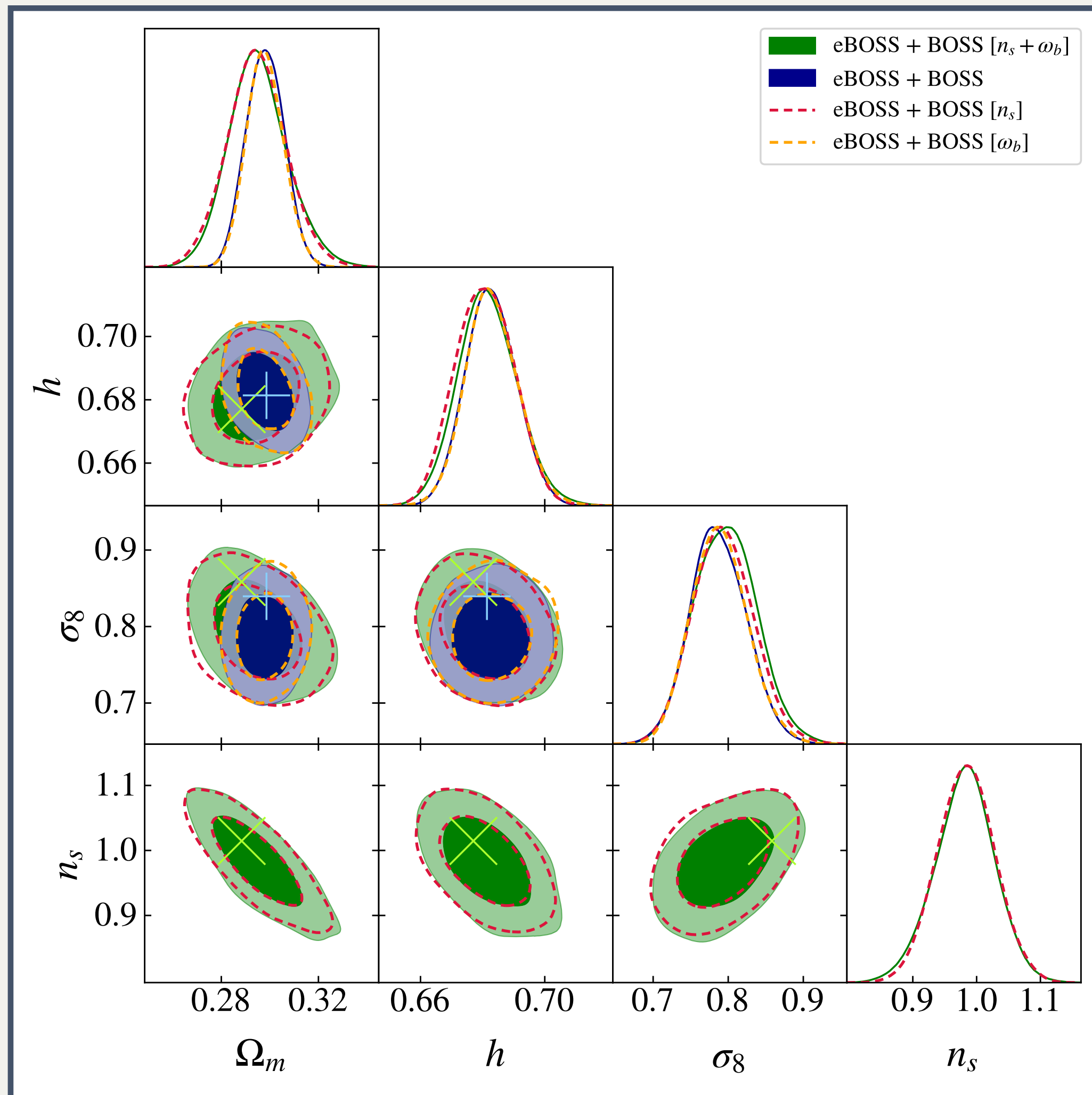
*Chuang++ [arXiv:1409.1124]*

- Up to  $k_{\max} = 0.24h \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ , the best-fit values of the cosmological parameters are shifted with respect to the truth of the simulations by  $\lesssim 1/3 \cdot \sigma$

# eBOSS $P_\ell(k)$ vs eBOSS $\xi_\ell(k)$



# Variation of $n_s$ and $\omega_b$



- We impose a uninformative large flat prior on  $n_s$ , while we impose a BBN Gaussian prior on  $\omega_b$
- The variation of  $\omega_b$  within the BBN prior has a negligible impact on the cosmological results: we have a relative shift of  $\lesssim 0.04\sigma$
- The variation of  $n_s$  within a uninformative large flat prior leads to a relative shift  $\lesssim 0.4\sigma$

# Dark energy equation of state $w_0 \geq -1$

- One can see that this new prior shifts the 2D posteriors inferred from the LSS data in a non-negligible way, while it remains globally stable for the LSS + Planck
- For these analyses,  $\Delta\chi^2 = 0$  with respect to  $\Lambda$ CDM, since we obtain best-fit values of  $w_0 = -1$

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