

A Uniform ZTF-TRGB distance ladder¹

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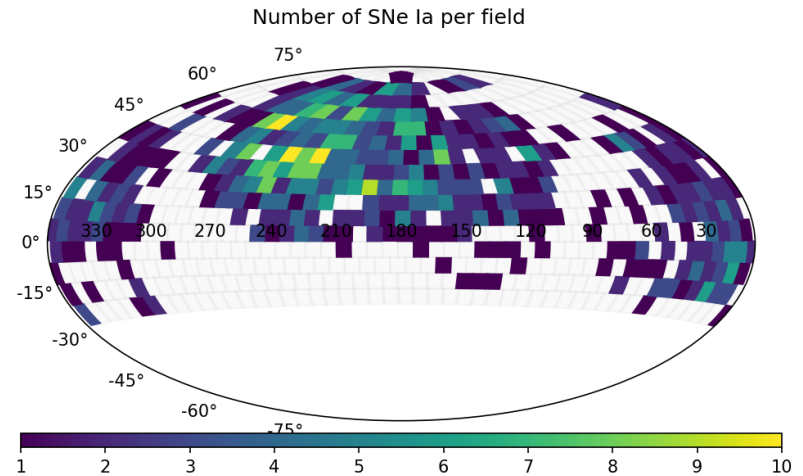


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Outline



Motivation

ZTF: DR1 sample (Dhawan+22, MNRAS, 510, 2)

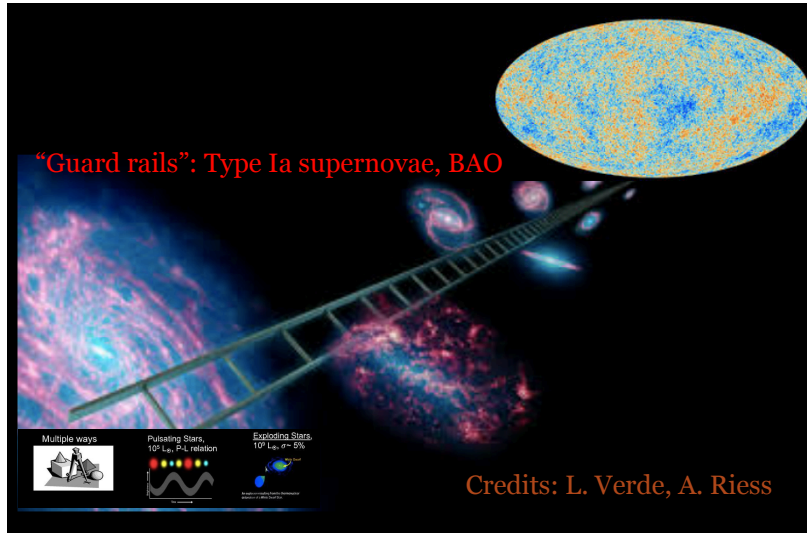
ZTF-TRGB distance ladder (Dhawan+22, ApJ, 9354, 185)



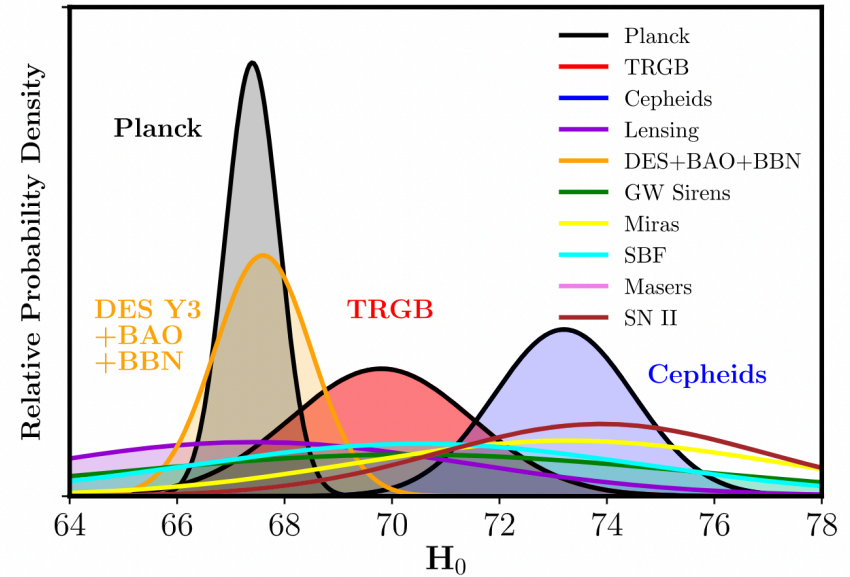
Motivation

- H_0 : Absolute scale of the universe
- End-to-end test of background expansion

Credits: Freedman 2021



Recent Published H_0 Values



- New physics? (e.g. Knox & Millea 2020, Schoenberg+, Shah+)
- Unknown Systematics?

Need independent methods

Focus of today's talk!

- Unaccounted for systematics
- **Independent distance ladder**
- Novel absolute distance measurement (e.g. lensed transients, standard sirens)

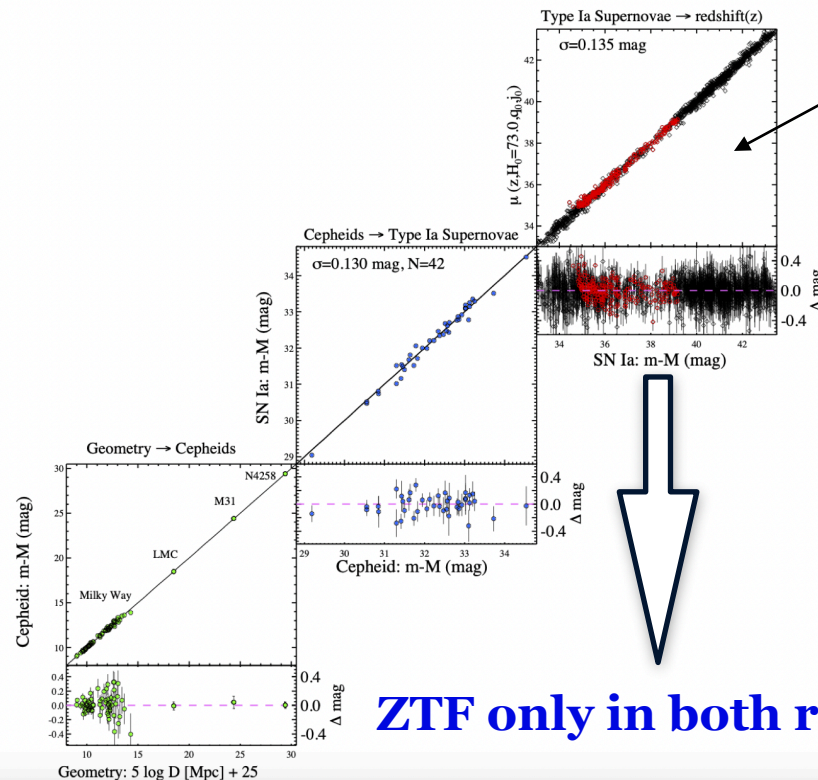


Cosmic Distance Ladder

- Type Ia supernovae: Hubble flow ($z \sim 0.02$ and higher)
 - Calibrated with Cepheid or TRGB distances
 - Second rung calibrated with independent, primary anchors

Heterogeneous systems at low-z!

Amazing work done to X-cal!



~ 20 instruments / surveys
ZTF already has ~ 750
Hubble flow SNe Ia in DR1
~ 3000 in Phase I

ZTF only in both rungs



Type Ia supernovae from the Zwicky Transient Facility



The Zwicky Transient Facility

P48: 1.2m discovery Schmidt telescope

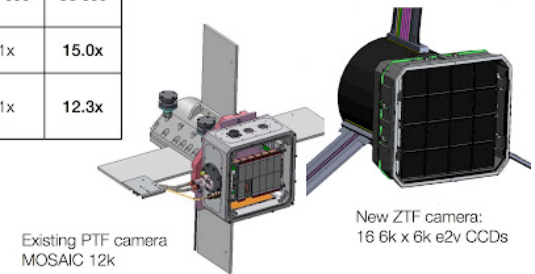


Dedicated classification with P60: SEDm

ZTF will survey an order of magnitude faster than PTF.

| | PTF | ZTF |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Active Area | 7.26 deg ² | 47 deg ² |
| Overhead Time | 46 sec | <15 sec |
| Optimal Exposure Time | 60 sec | 30 sec |
| Relative Areal Survey Rate | 1x | 15.0x |
| Relative Volumetric Survey Rate | 1x | 12.3x |

3750 deg²/hour
 ⇒ 3π survey in 8 hours
 >250 observations/field/year
 for uniform survey

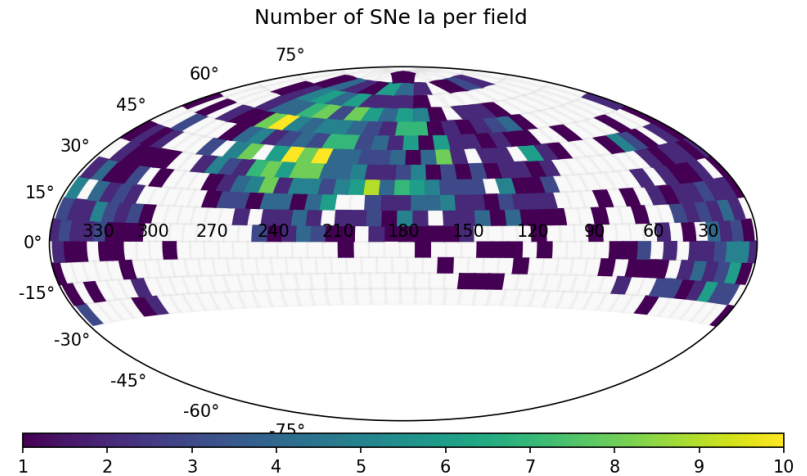
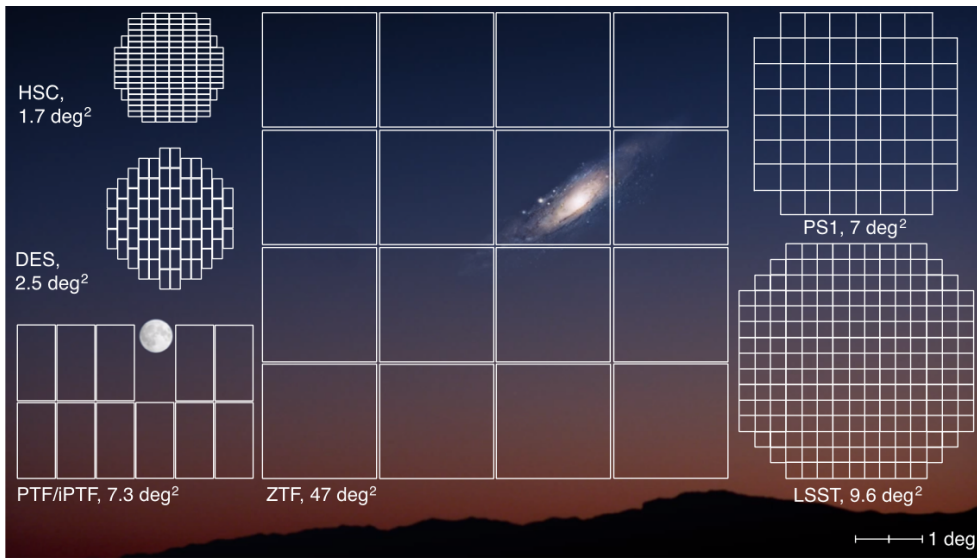


~ 5000 in ZTF Phase I
 Phase II began ~ Nov. 2020



ZTF Year 1 sample

SD+22a



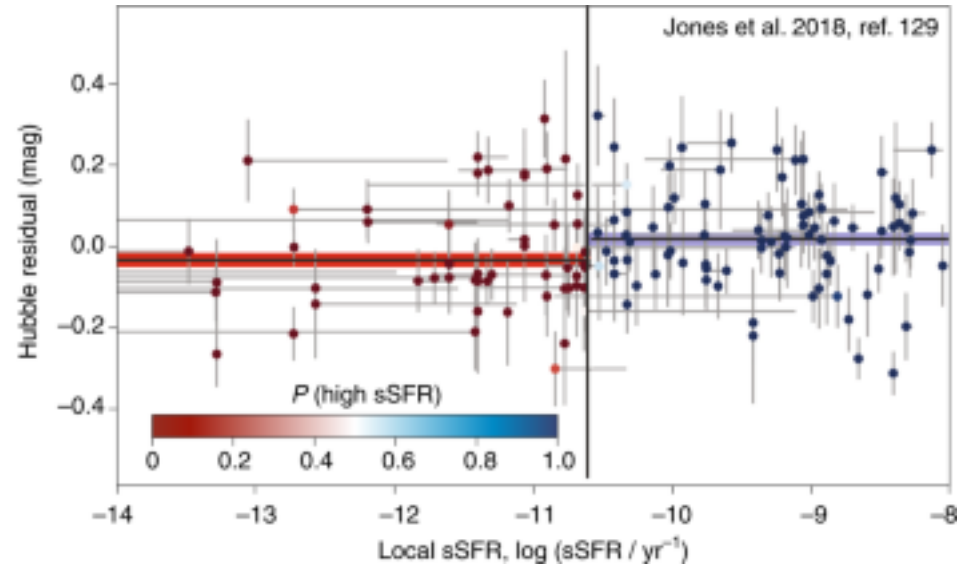
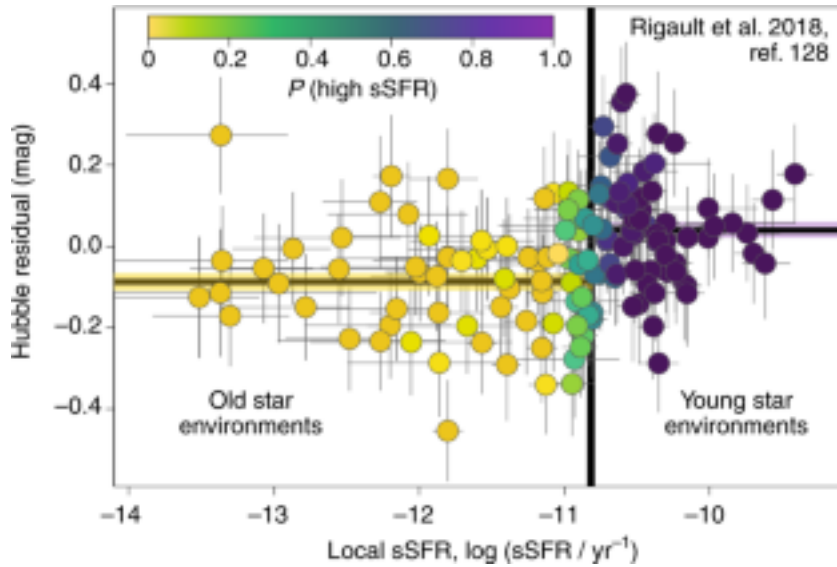
Legacy for Rubin; Roman in future

- ZTF -> successor of iPTF at Palomar
 - 47 sq. degree field of view
- ~800 SNe Ia (Y1) in the Hubble flow; total ~ 3000
- All sky: needed for LSS studies
- Untargeted survey

- New probe of growth of structure
- (TO DO:) Bulk flow + anisotropy studies
- Test directional dependence of H₀
 - low-z for dark energy with Rubin



Testing environmental dependence



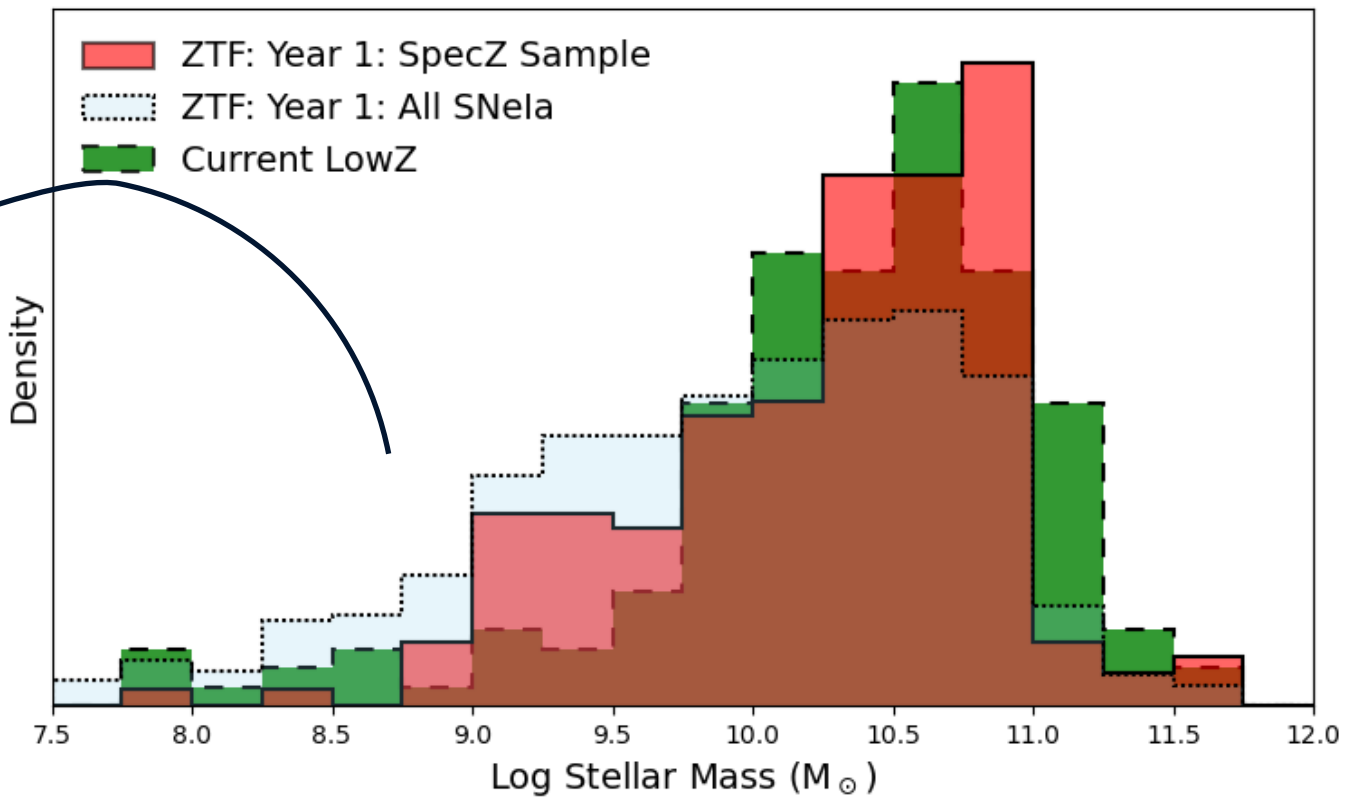
Is SN luminosity dependent on host galaxy local properties?

- Potential claims of bias upto 5% -> other claims < 1%
- Untargeted survey to sample underlying host distribution



ZTF Host Galaxies

SD+22a



Remaining redshifts from DESI

Higher ratio of low-mass to high-mass hosts

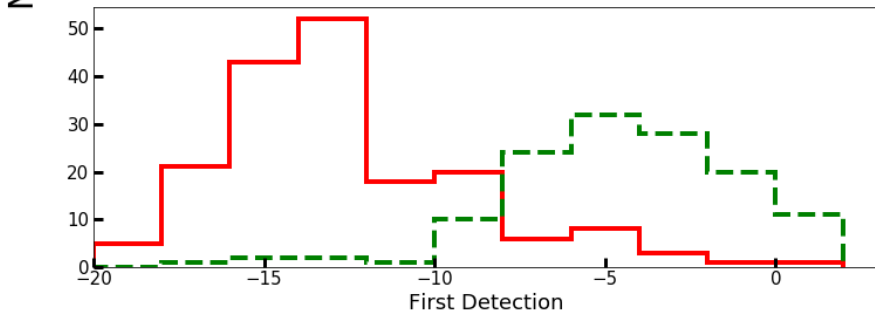
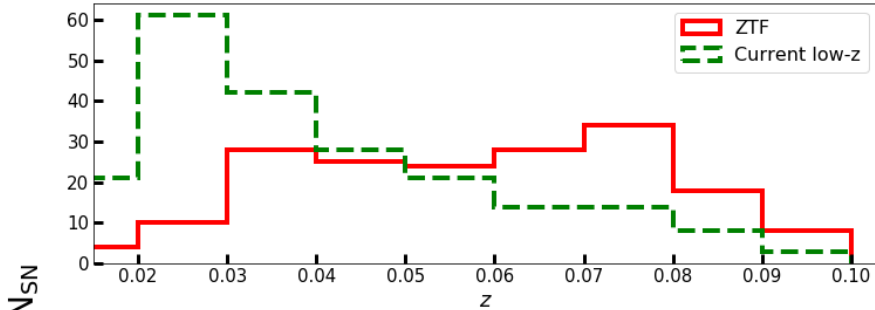
- Entire DR1 sample: 761 SNe Ia
- Spec-z: 305 SNe Ia -> post survey redshifts



Improved Distances

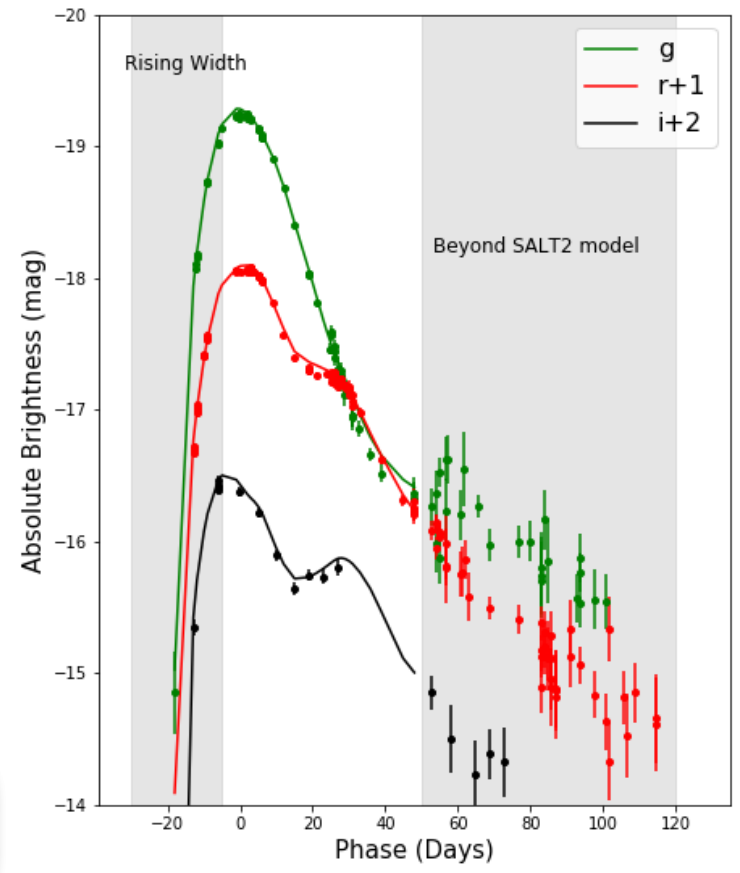
SD+22a

- for $z \leq 0.05$, l_c beyond +100 days
- Improve existing SN distance model



σ_{rms} (ZTF) = 0.17 mag
 σ_{rms} (Current low-z) = 0.2 mag

- Improving distances with early lightcurves
 - Novel early width standardisation
- Higher median redshift => lower peculiar velocity error



Early light curve for improving distances

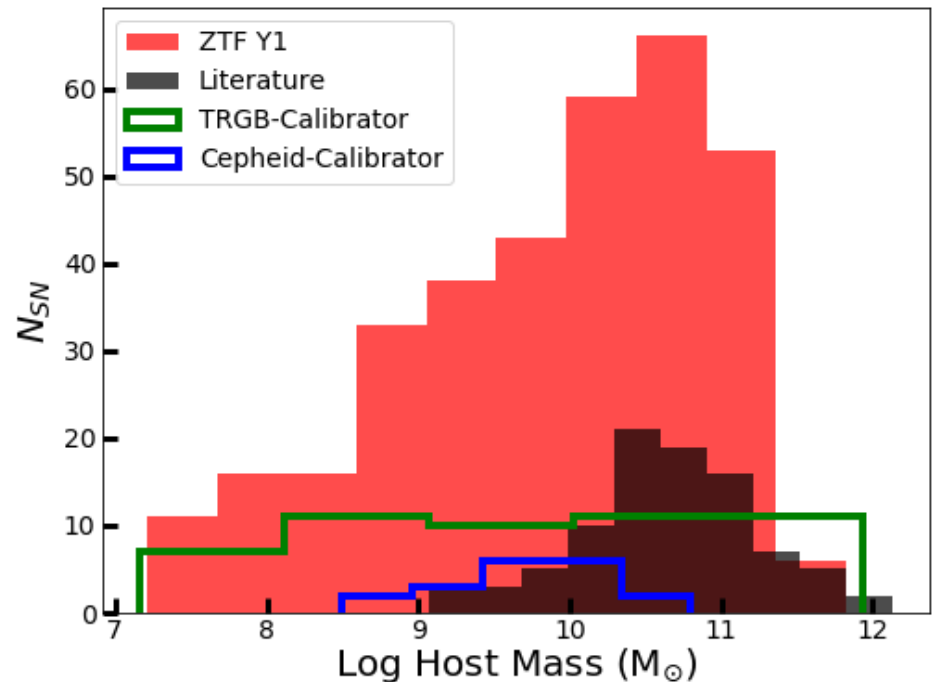


A uniform ZTF-TRGB distance Ladder



Primary Distance Indicators

- TRGBs found in SN Ia hosts of all ages
- Less crowded environments than Cepheids
- Less prone to reddening, metallicity systematics than Cepheids (Mortsell+2021a,b; Efsthathiou 2020)
- TRGBs fainter than Cepheids

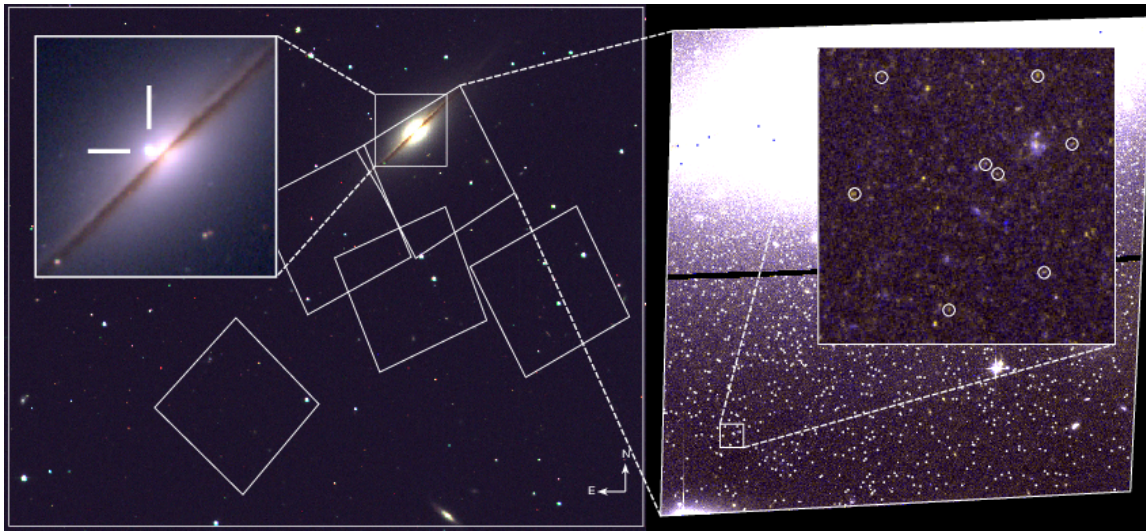
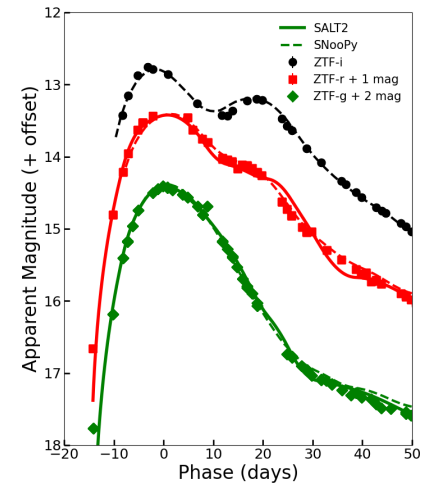


See also talks by T. Hoyt, W. Freedman

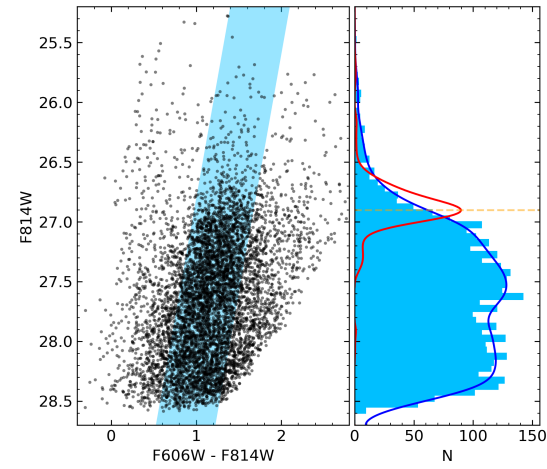


ZTF Calibrator Sample

- 6 objects within $D_L < 20$ Mpc (HST feasibility)
- One with good TRGB distance -> ZTF21abiuvdk (SN2021rhu)
- 7 fields from HST ACS/WFC



Credit: IS Jang



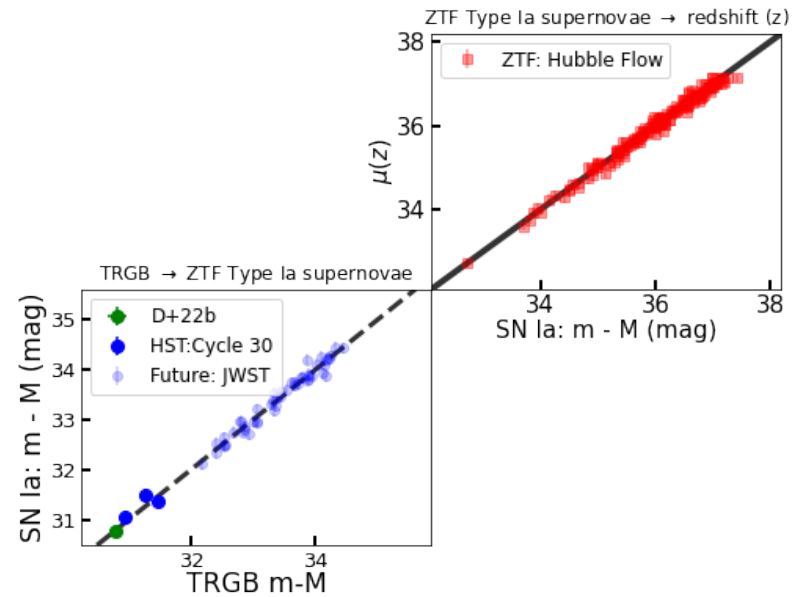
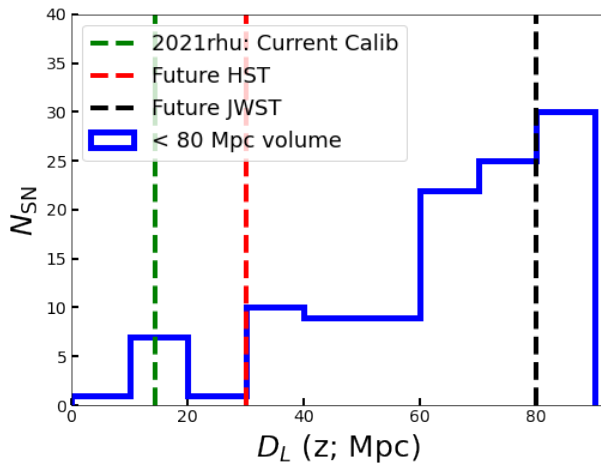


Current Distance Ladder + Outlook

- Single calibrator -> increase to 6 with HST C30
- Small impact of sample selection, LC fitter
- Hubble flow of ~ 200 SNe Ia -> ZTF DR2 upcoming
- 106 SNe Ia with accurate distances at $D_L < 80$ Mpc
- $H_0 = 76.94 \pm 6.4$ km/s/Mpc

+ ZTF DR2 this year! ~ 3000 SNe Ia

SD+22b





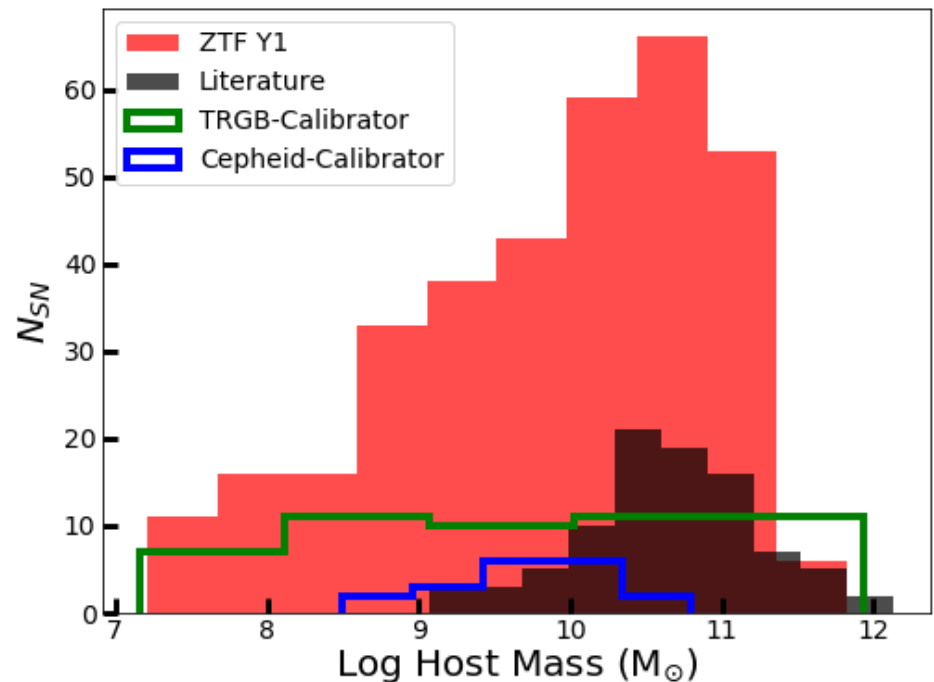
Conclusions

- ZTF DR1: homogeneous, untargeted sample of 750 SNe Ia
 - Improved distances with early light curves
 - Probing environmental biases
- TRGB: excellent standard candles
 - > 100 host galaxies within JWST capabilities
 - Distances from HST < 20 Mpc, NIRCcam < 80 Mpc
 - First pilot study $H_0 = 76.94 \pm 6.4$ km/s/Mpc
 - + ZTF DR2 upcoming



Why ZTF-TRGB?

- ZTF is untargeted -> probing underlying environmental properties
- Cepheid calibrators -> strong preference for young hosts
- TRGBs in all hosts -> “matches” ZTF well.

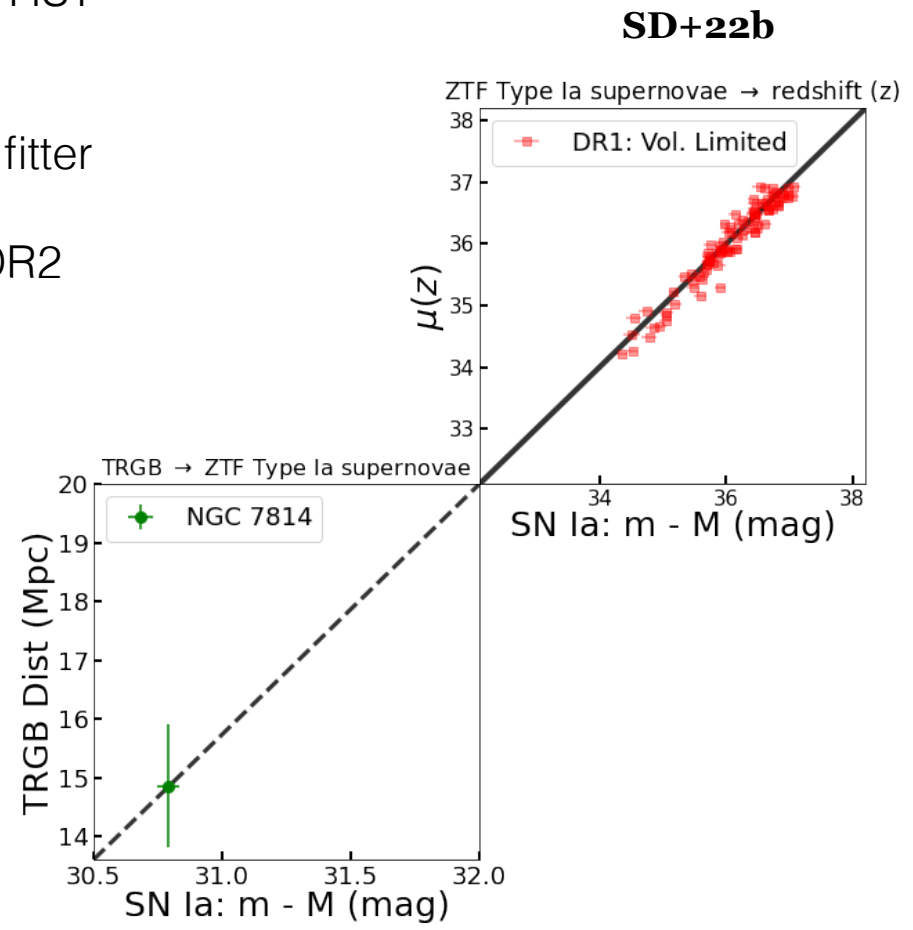


Host mass distribution of ZTF and TRGB calibrators compared to Cepheids (HST C30 proposal)



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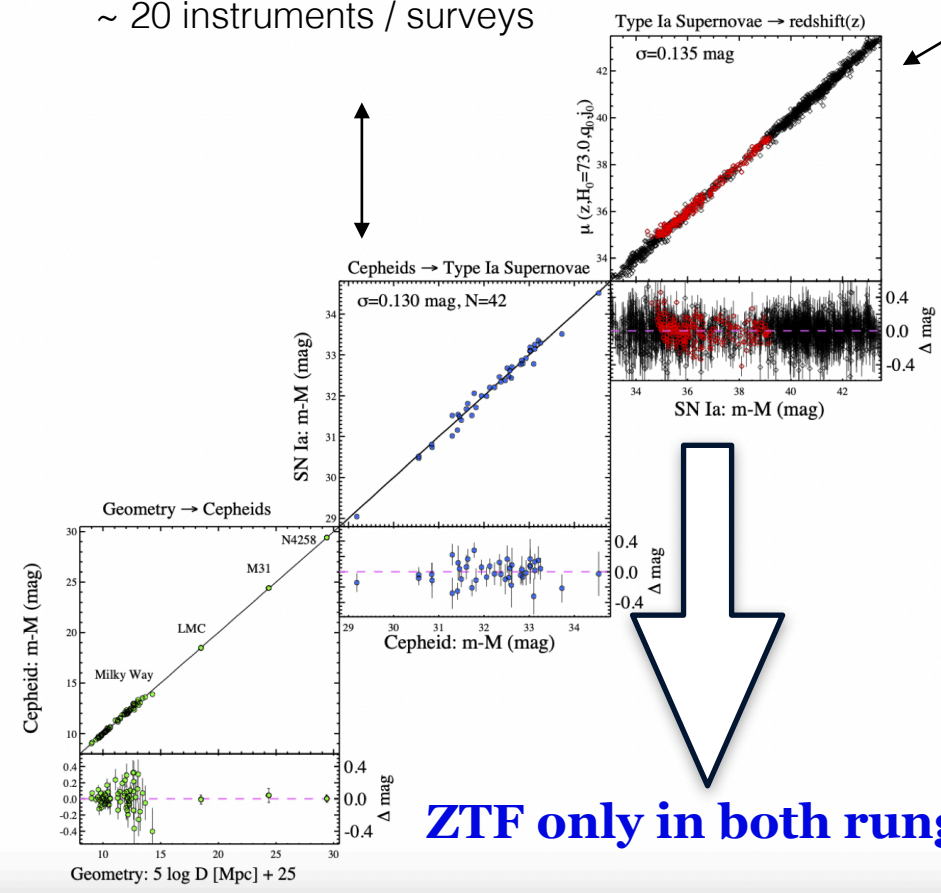




Cepheid Distance Ladder

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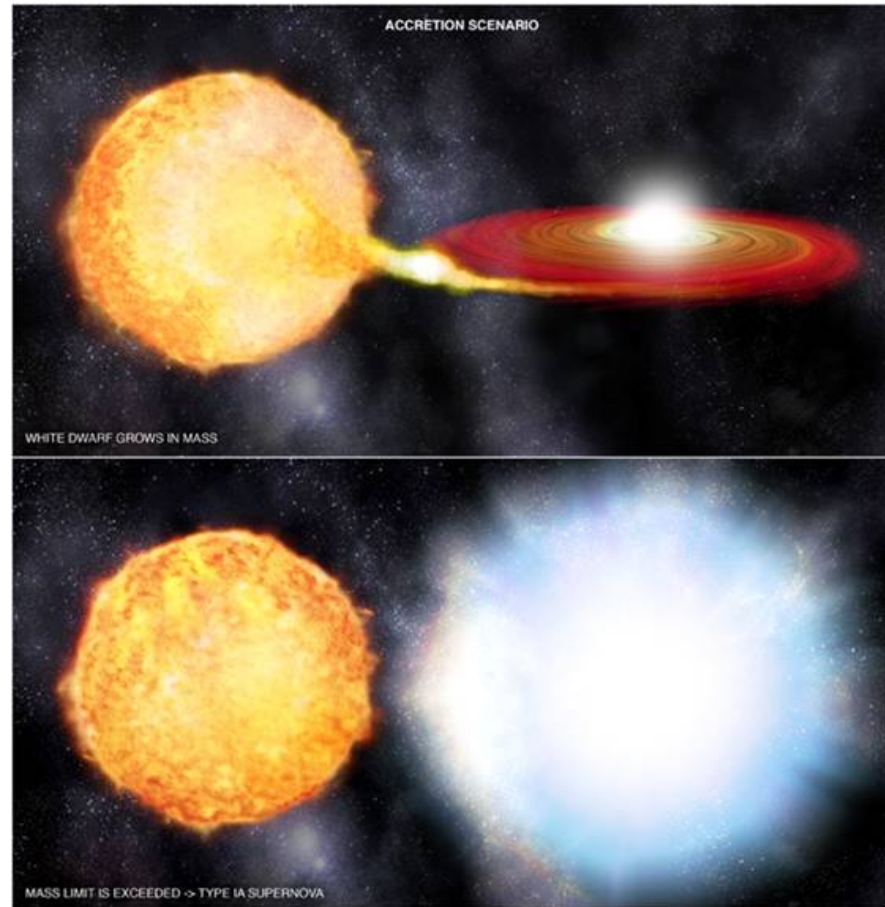




What are Type Ia supernovae?¹⁹

Bright, stellar candles

NOT standard; calibratable



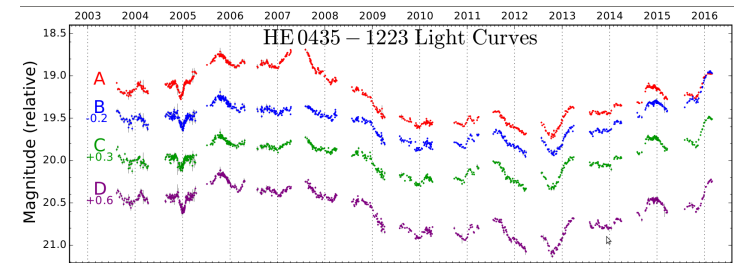
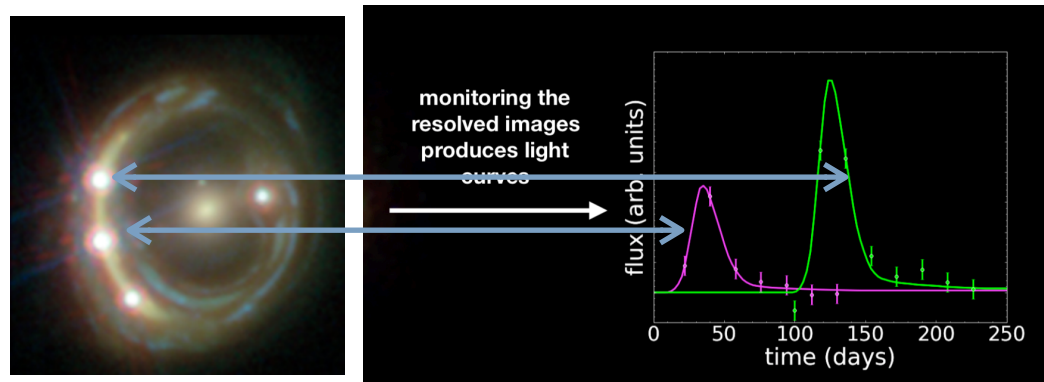
Discovery of dark energy

In all types of galaxies



Time-delay cosmography

Typical lensed SN and QSO light curves



Advantages of gISNe Ia

- Much less monitoring required
- “Standardisable” luminosity => break modelling degeneracies (e.g. Birrer, SD, Shajib, 21)
- Lower impact of microlensing systematics

- Independent discovery method to lensed quasars
 - gISNe => “standardisable candle”

$$\Delta t \propto D_{\Delta t} \times \phi_{\text{lens}} \rightarrow D_{\Delta t} \propto \frac{1}{H_0}$$

Time delay Time-delay distance Lens potential (from mass model)

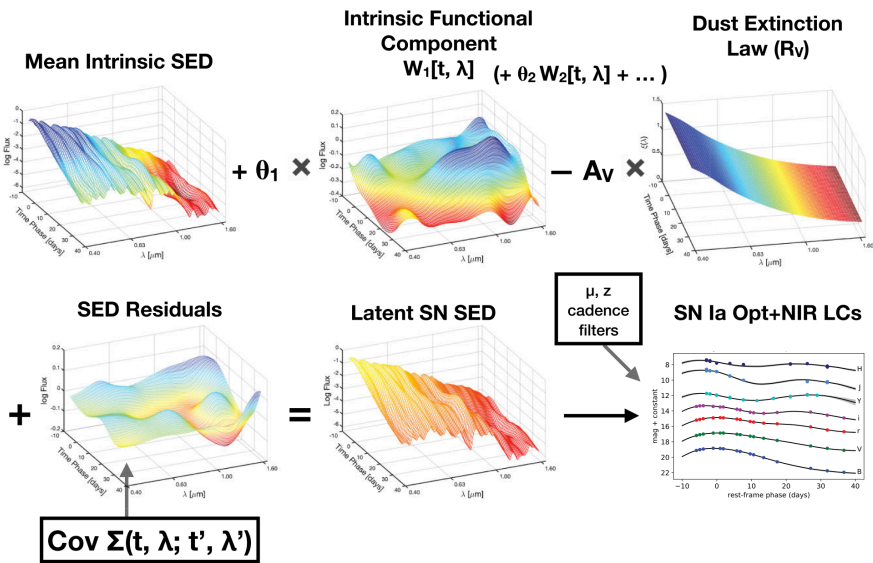
- First proposed in Refsdal 1964 (for SNe, used for QSOs)



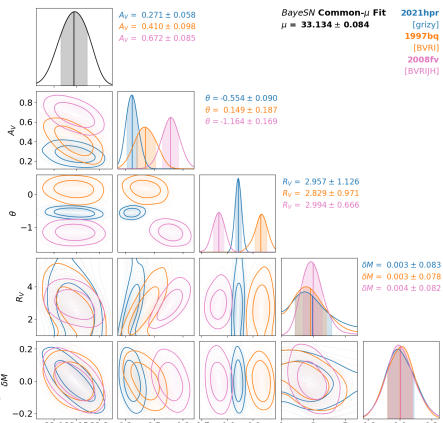
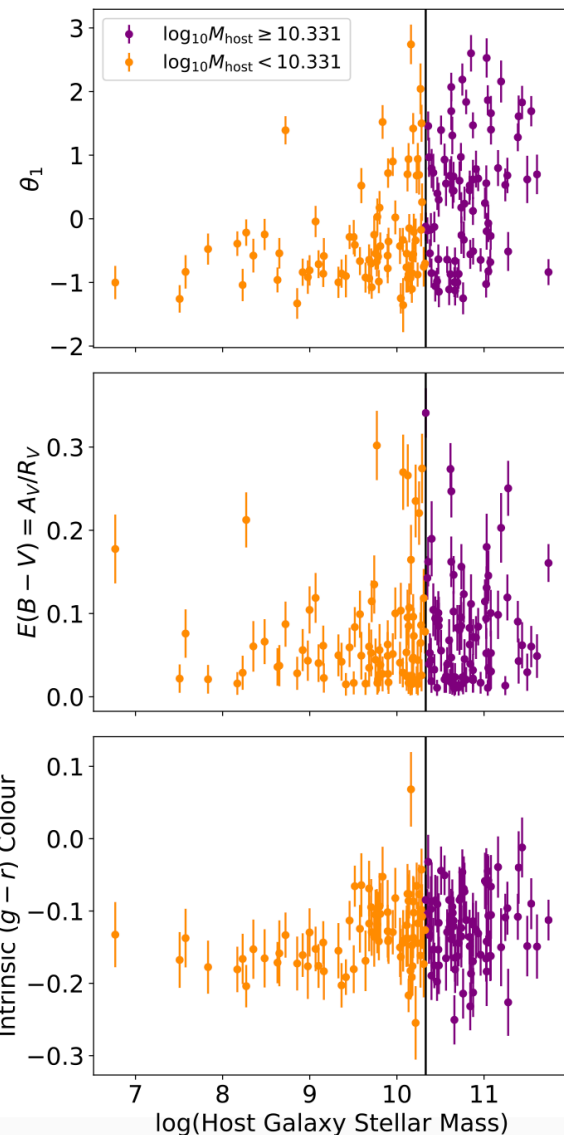
Refining Supernova Distances



BayeSN model



SED model to infer LC shape, absorption and distance (Mandel+2020)



Joint fits to siblings! -> better distances

Ward, ... SD, et al. in prep.

SN parameters as a function of host galaxy mass (Thorp+2021)



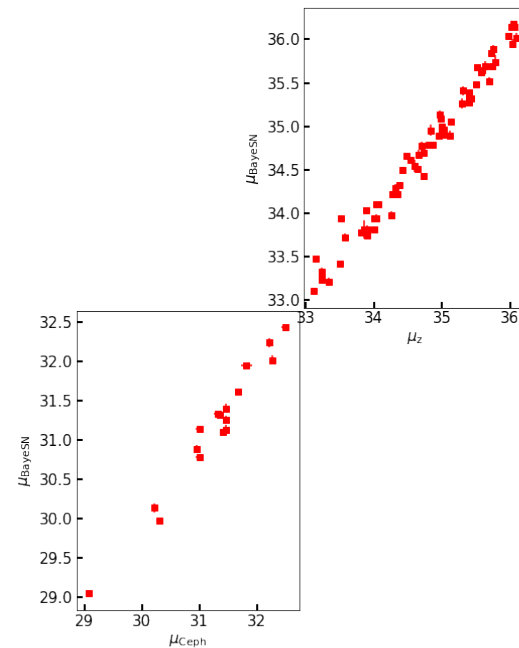
First H_0 constraints

- NIR is uniform with low scatter
- Optical through NIR modelling
 - Important to infer dust properties
- Uncertainties 15 - 20% better than optical only
 - Key step to reduce SNIa systematics

SD+22c in prep.

Training on ZTF DR2 ongoing
-> apply to uniform distance ladder

Still blinded to H_0

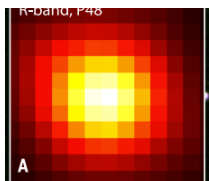




Strongly Lensed Supernovae



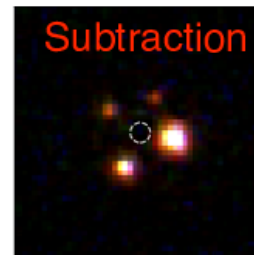
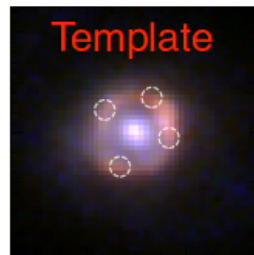
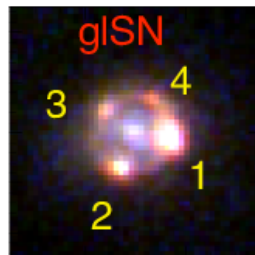
iPTF16geu: Resolved lightcurves



Discovery in unresolved data

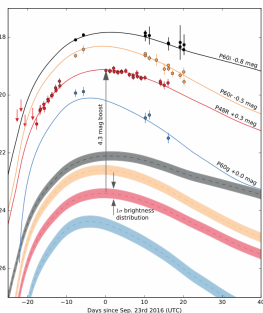


Follow-up: HST / AO



HST/WFC resolved image, template and subtraction => not possible for QSOs!!

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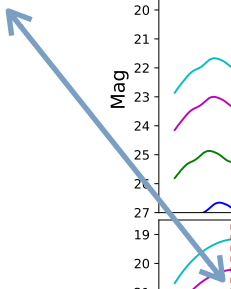
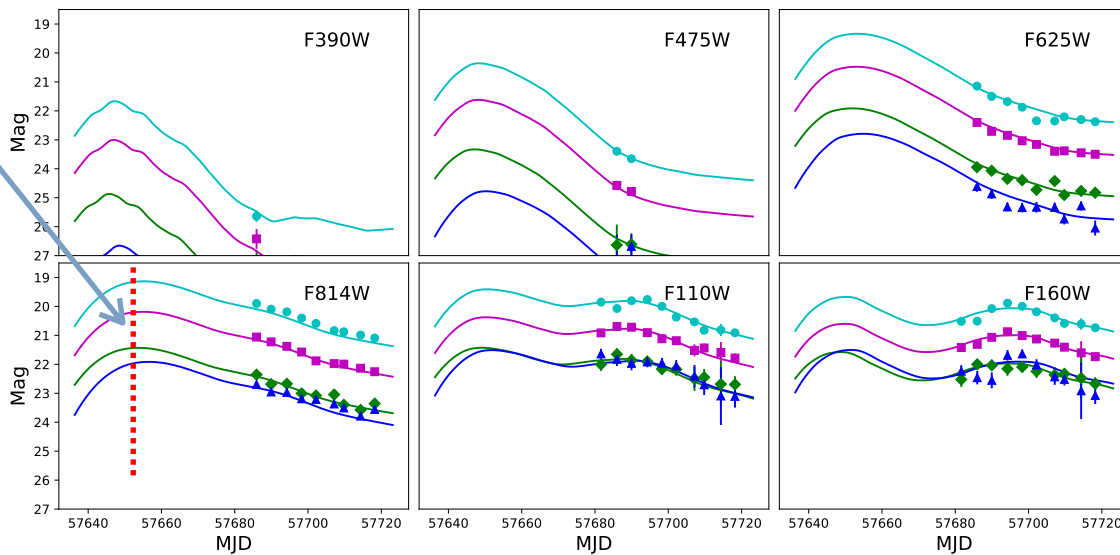


SD+2020b

Very small time-delays (~ 1 day):
Not ideal for measuring H_0

Coverage began post-maximum
=> large errors ($\sim 0.7 - 1$ day)

Max. light simulations
=> five times smaller error





iPTF16geu: Magnification + extinction

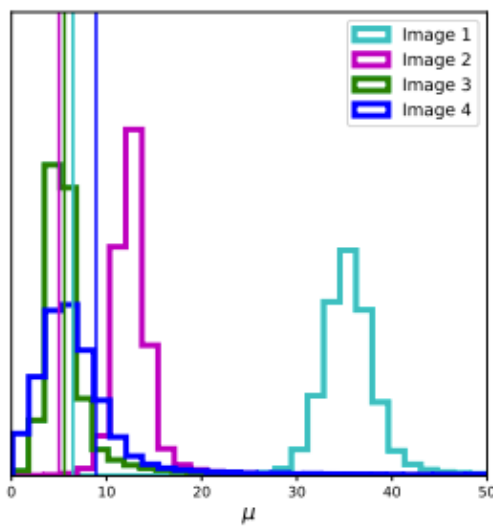
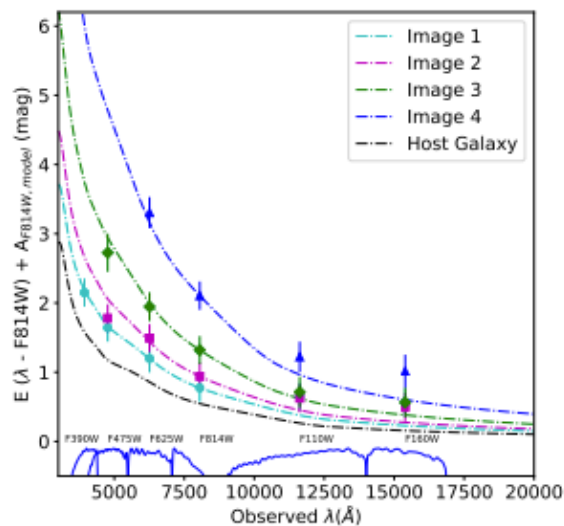
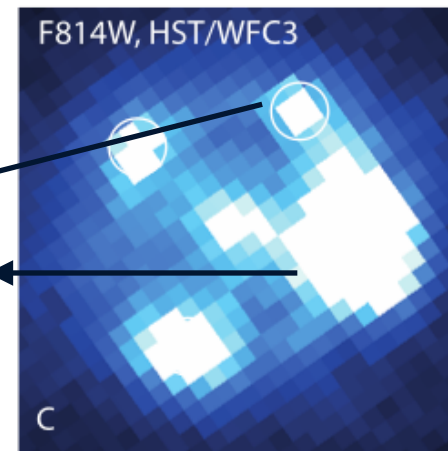
Preliminary magnification (μ) ~ 52
With extinction correction 67 ± 3

Important to get multi-band, resolved photometry \rightarrow extinction estimates
Flux ratios differ from model prediction \rightarrow combination of microlensing + extinction

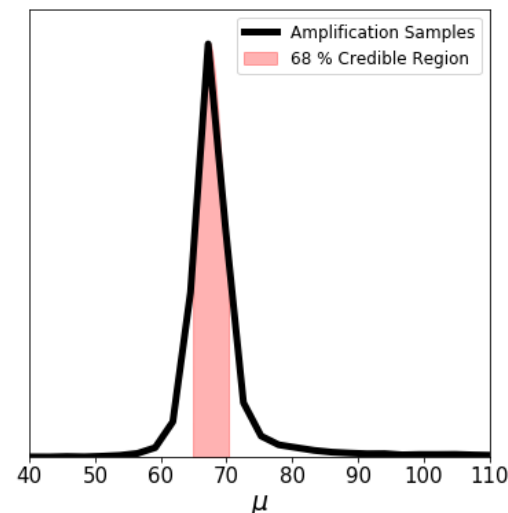
Probing the inner kpc of the lens \Rightarrow galaxy DM profiles

Surprisingly high magnification (μ)

Surprisingly different brightness?



Modelling details in Mortzell, ..., SD, ... + '21





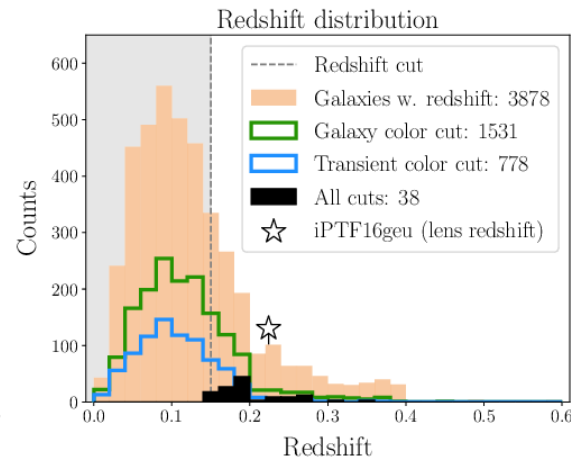
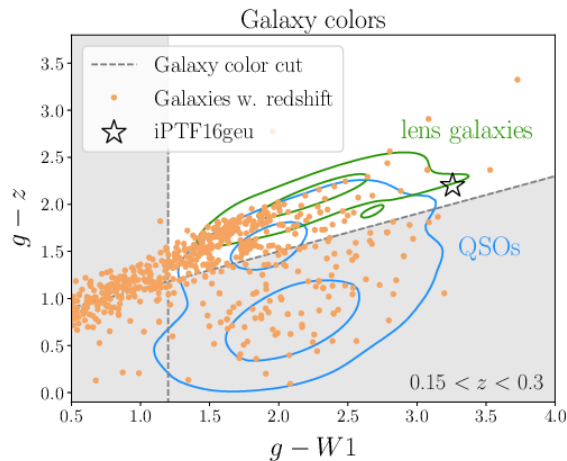
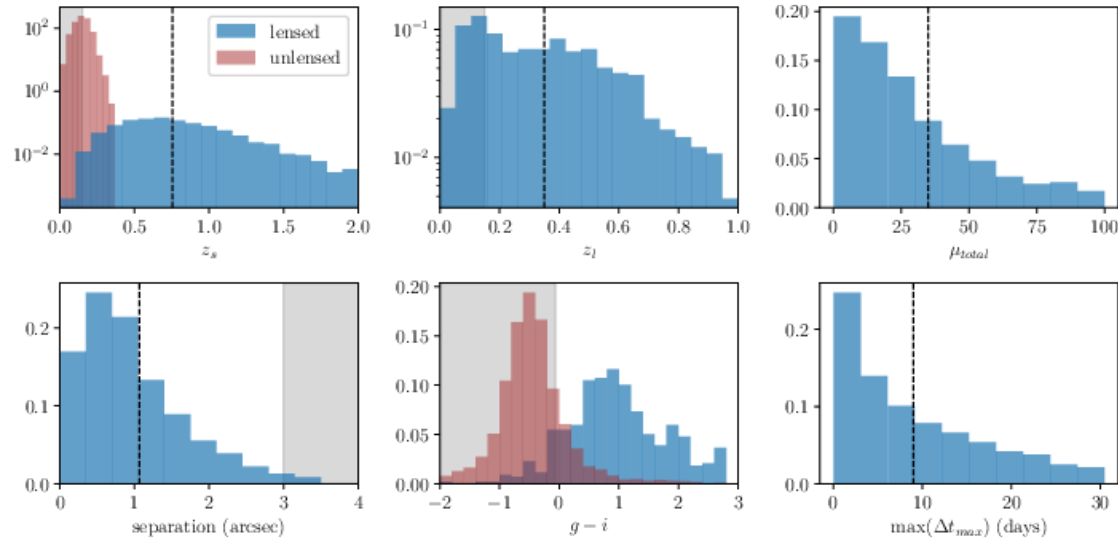
ZTF Search for gISNe

- Ongoing search in partnership (+public) data
 - High-cadence partnership survey + i-band survey

Spectroscopic classification necessary

- Classification with P60,INT, P200 (were heavily COVID-hit)
 - High resolution follow-up with Keck, VLT
- Expected number ~ 1 - 3 per year: At magnitude limit ~ 20.5 mag
 - Current spectroscopic coverage ~ 18.5 mag

Deeper spectroscopy needed for vetting



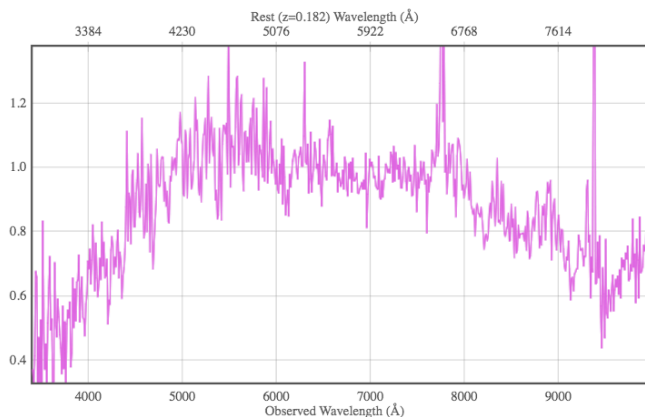
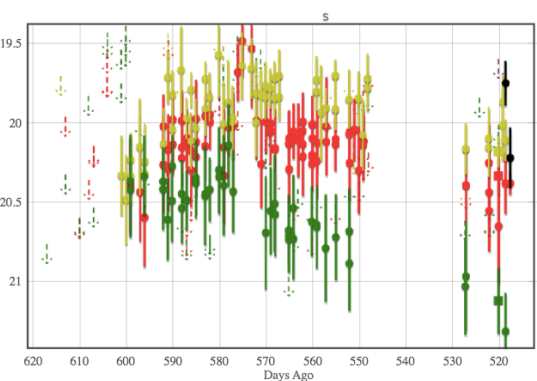
Candidate selection from ZTF archival data (Sagues-Carracedo,..., SD, et al. in prep)



Interesting Candidates

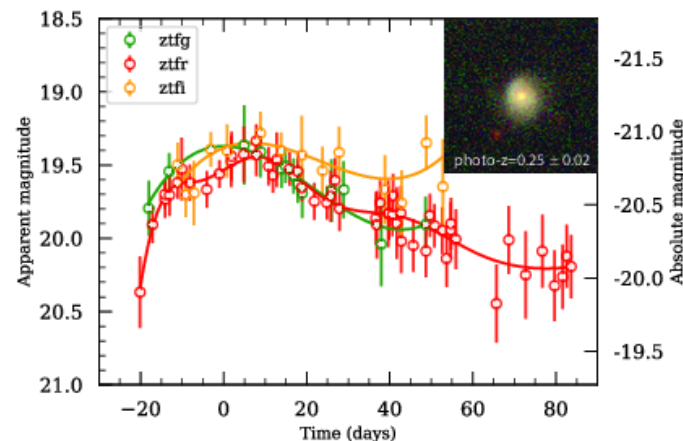
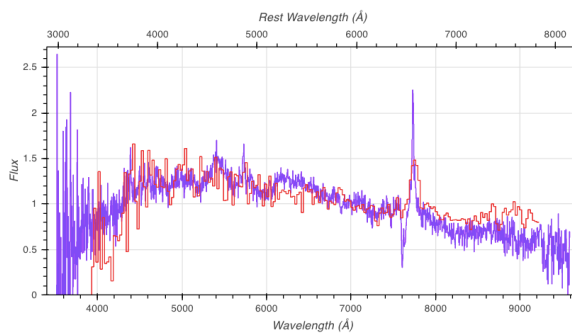
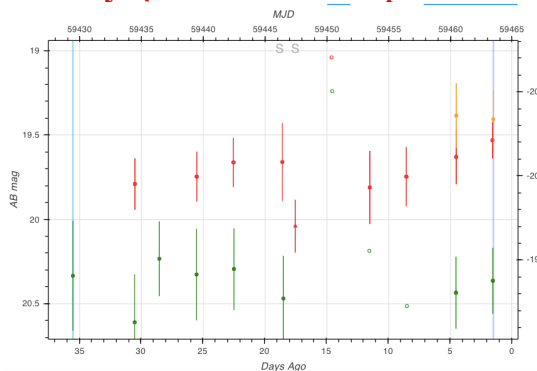
Contaminant false positives: SLSNe, blazars
 With stacked images: higher-z SNe Ia

Contaminants are interesting themselves



Bright ($M > -20$), red Type II-P,
 only 4 seen in a sample of few hundred SNe (Perley+'20)

Archival search: need spectroscopy to vet

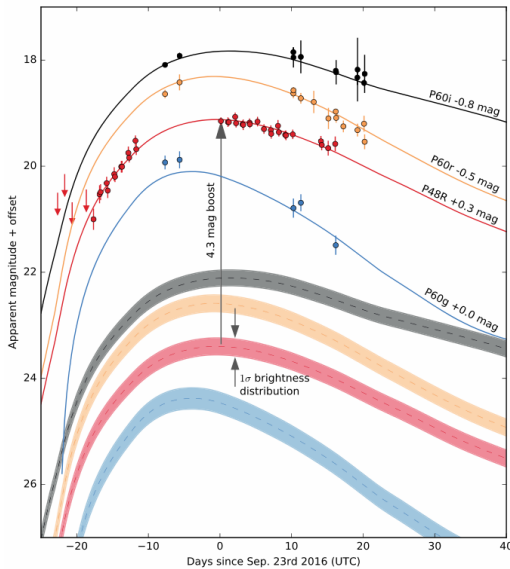


Bright ($M > -20$), red Ia-CSM; interacting SN

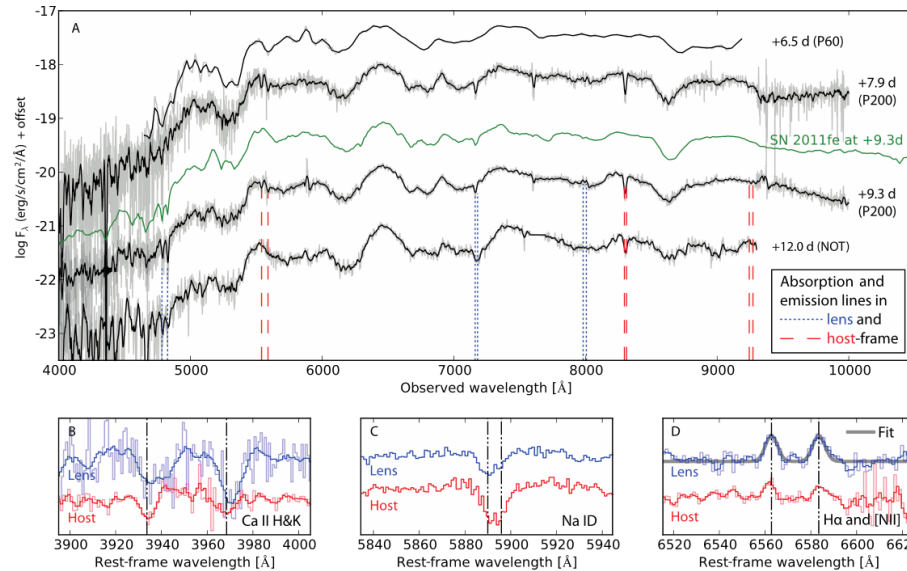


iPTF16geu: Discovery

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Goobar+ 2017



Perfect spectral match to $z=0.409$ SN Ia + intervening galaxy at $z=0.216$



“Typical” SNIa redshifted to $z=0.409$

Absorption lines from host galaxy and another galaxy in the line of sight

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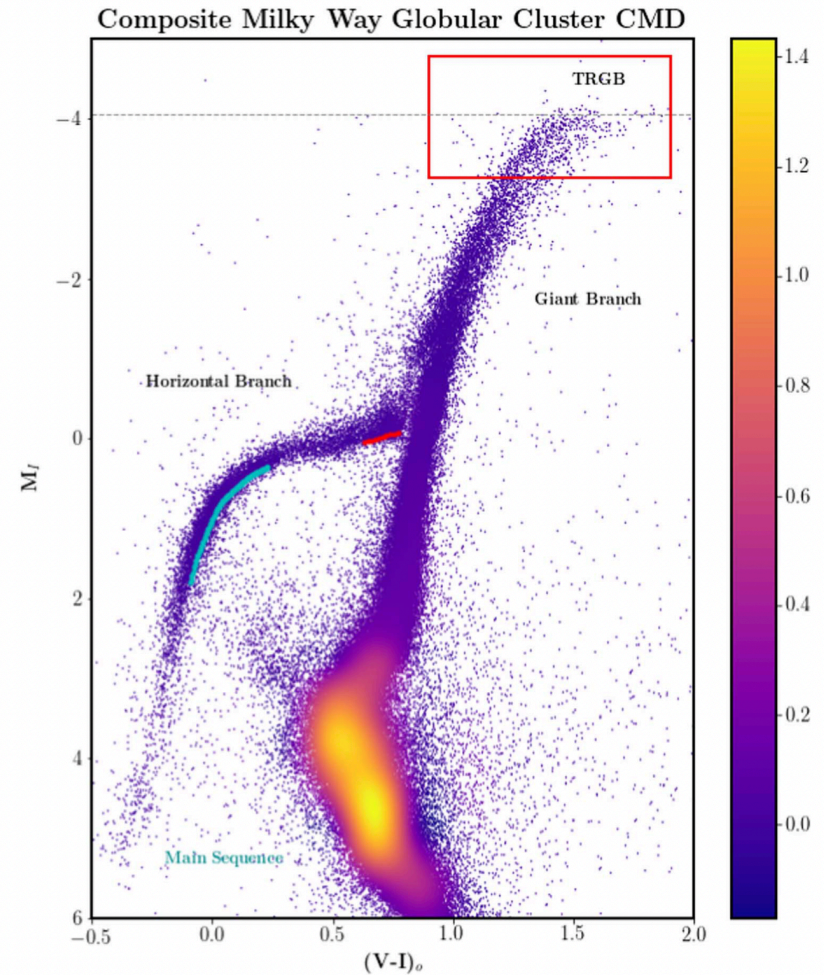
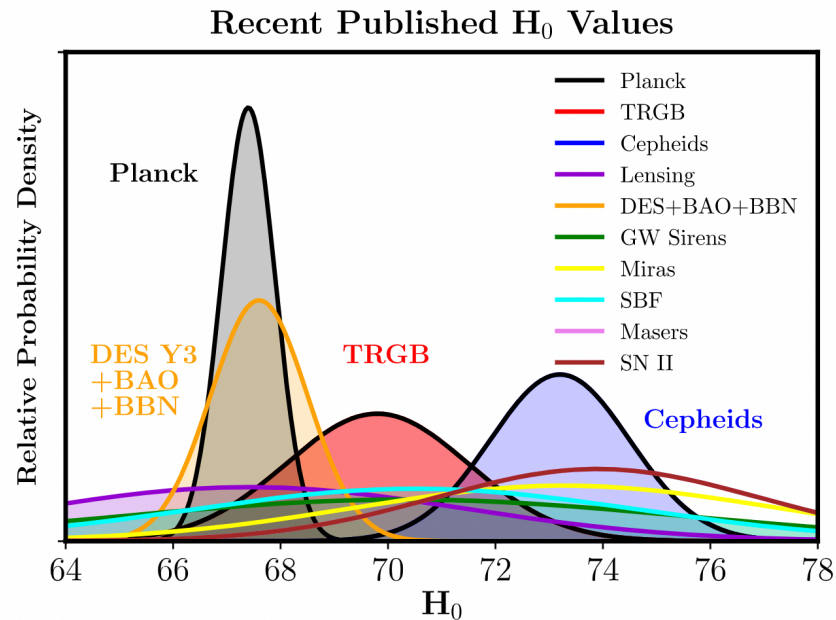


The Tip of the Red Giant Branch ³⁰

Important **standard** candle

Well understood physics (He flash)

TRGB H_0 not in tension



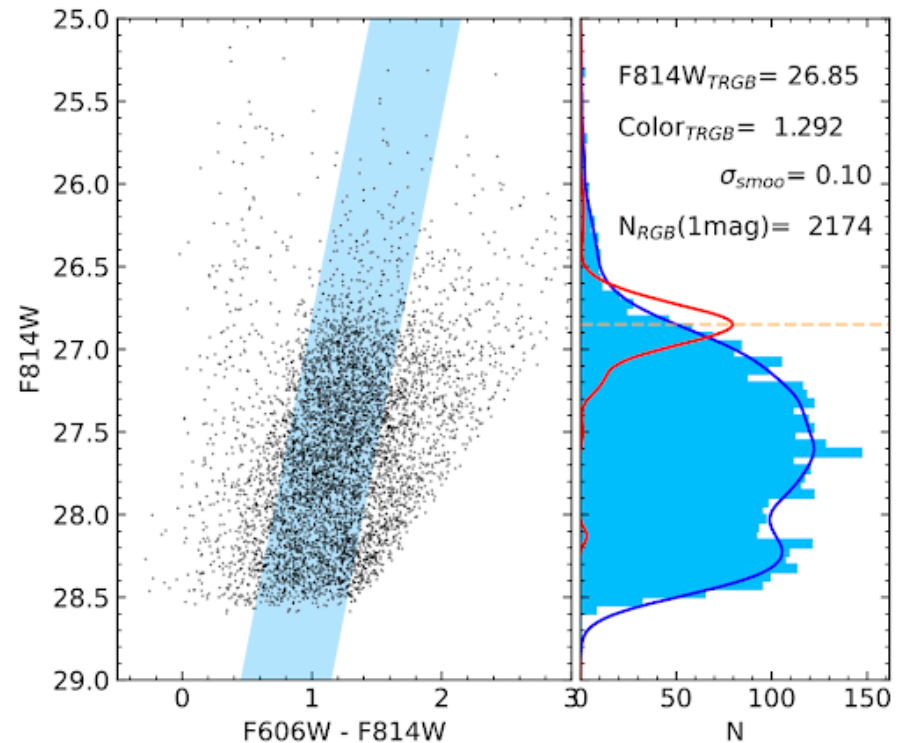


TRGB distance estimate

- CCHP pipeline for tip detection (Jang et al. 2021)
 - Absolute calibration to Freedman 2021

- 3 Fields far away from the disk
- Edge detection with Sobel Filter
 - Histogram binning with 0.01 mag
 - Gaussian smoothing with 0.1 mag

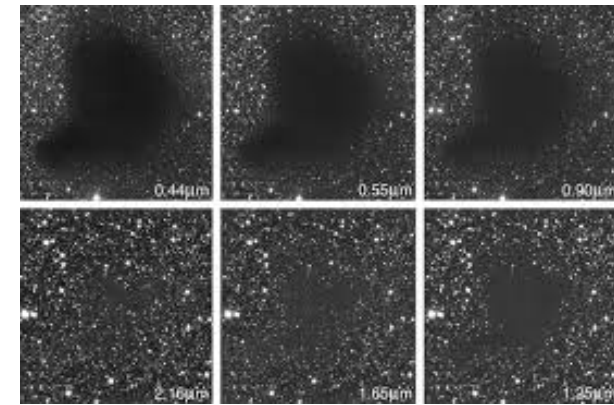
SD+22b, ApJ. Subm.



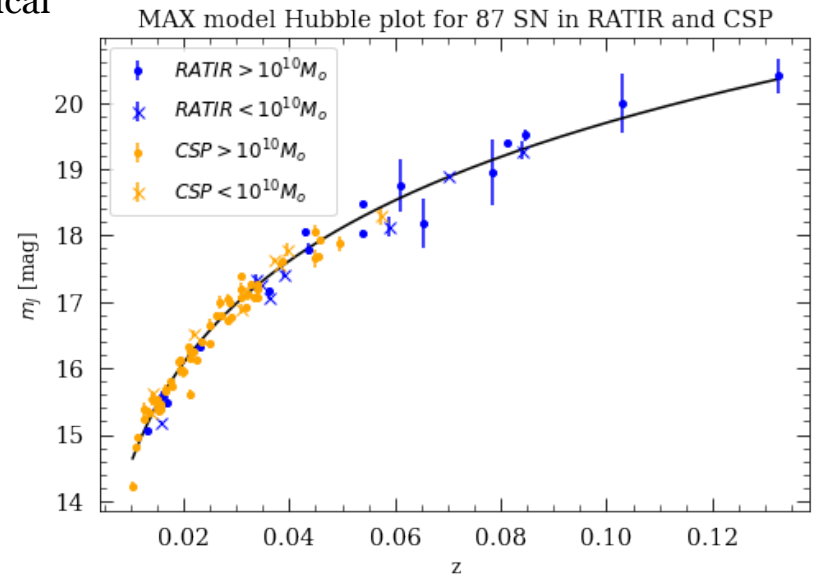
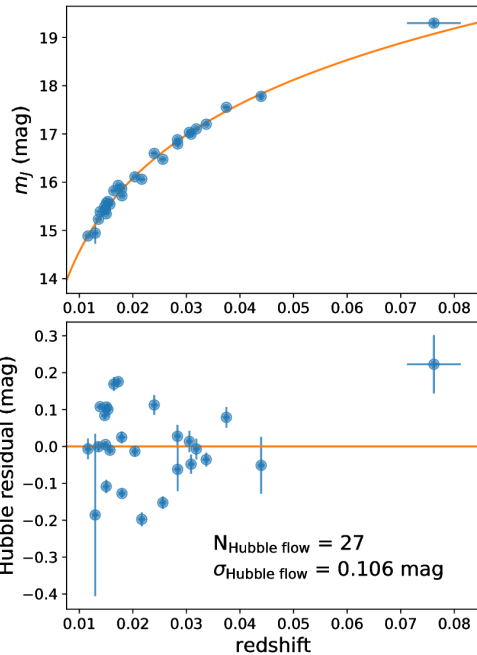


Near Infrared Standard Candles

Does non-standard dust extinction cause high H_0 ?
 Are SNe standard candles in the NIR? => future distance scale



- NO stretch / colour corrections
- Model independent light curve fits
- $\sigma_{\text{int}} \sim 0.1 \text{ mag}$
 - for comparison: optical $\sim 0.5 \text{ mag}$
- Consistent value with the optical

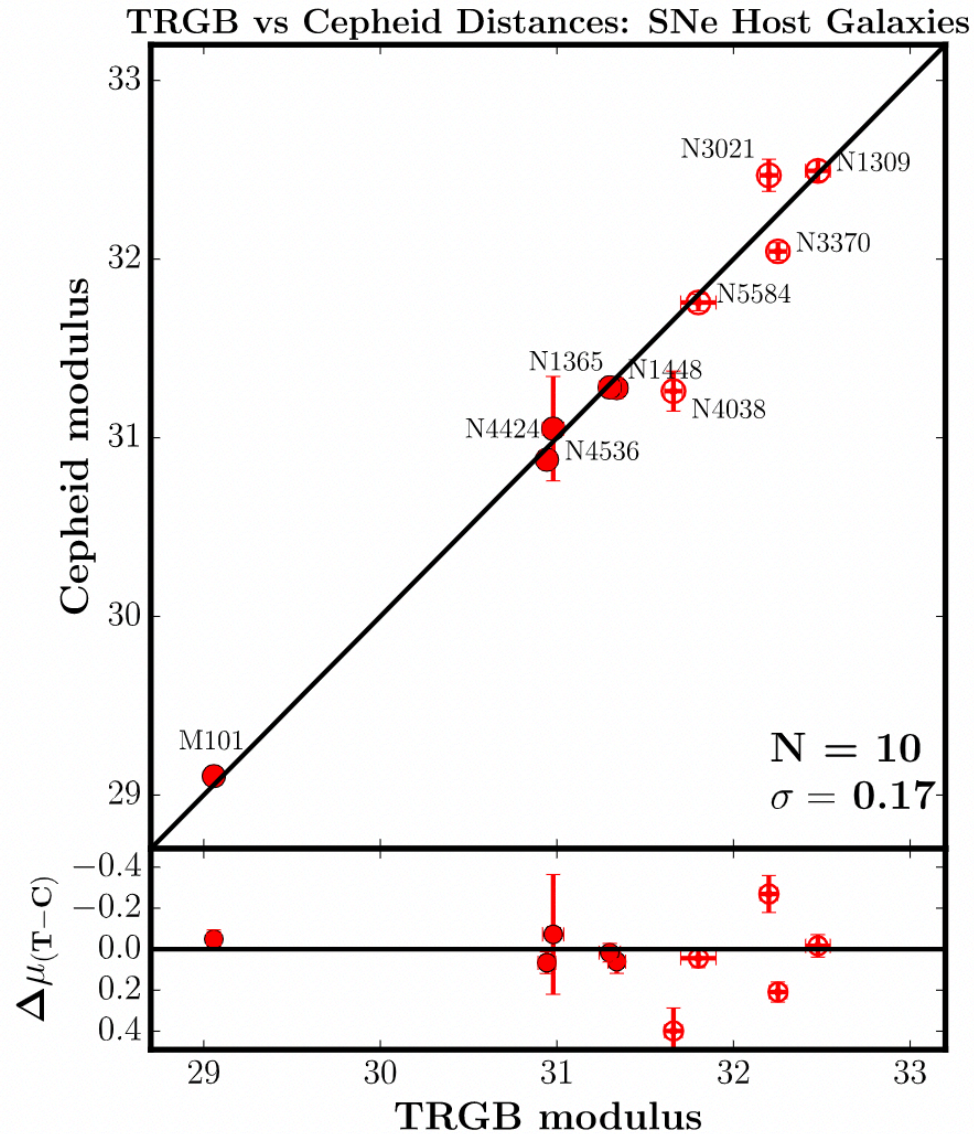


SD+'18a

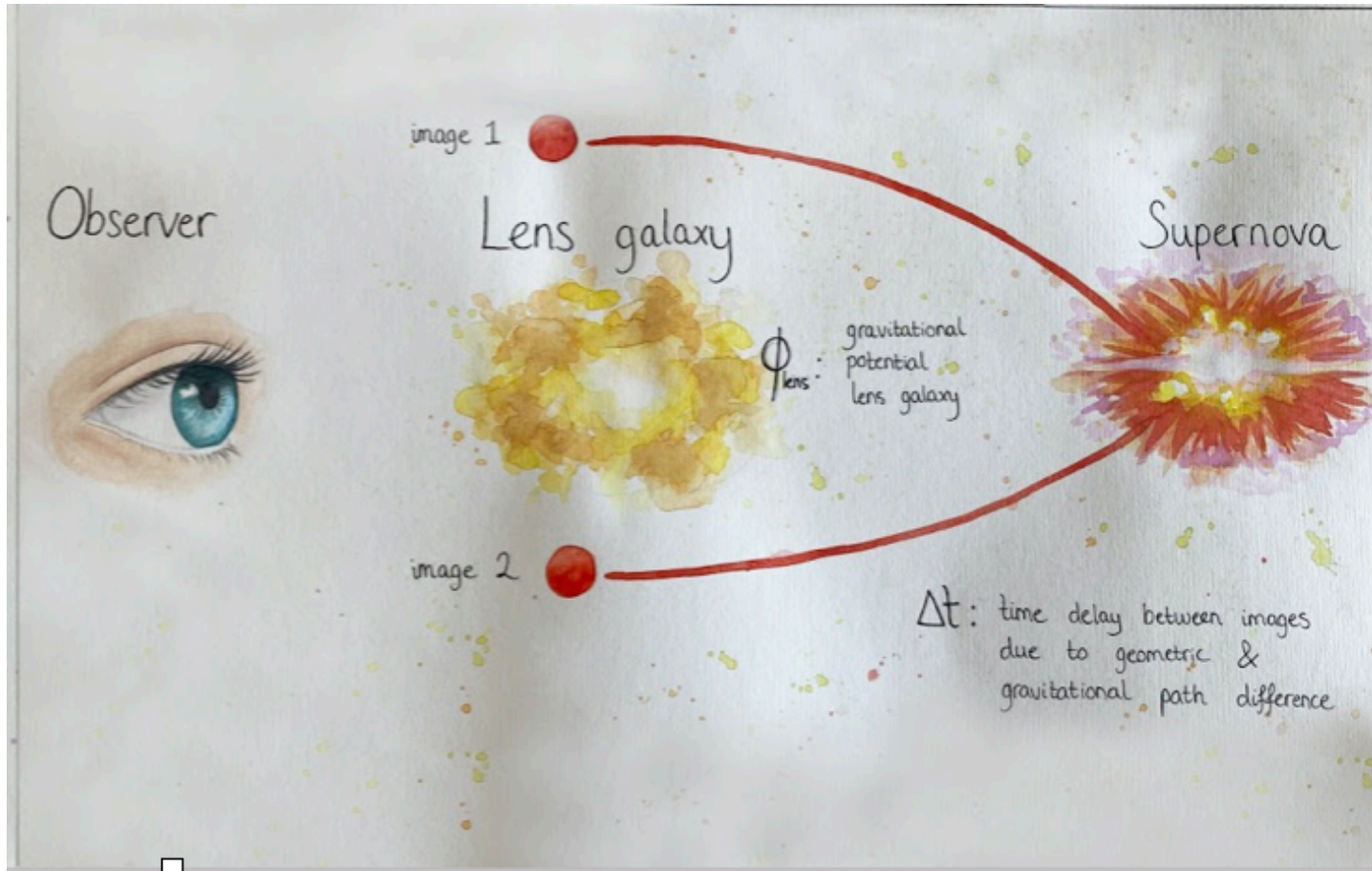
- “Mass step”: important for cosmology
- Debate on significance in NIR
 - No ‘step’ seen in new sample

Credits: summer undergrad at IoA, T. Chant
 see also, Johansson, SD, et al. 2021

TRGB-Cepheid Consistency



Lensed SNe





Dark Energy Model + SN systematics

Accounting for covariance between calibrators and **all** Hubble flow SNe
Combined likelihood => use for dark energy inference

Modelling sources of systematics

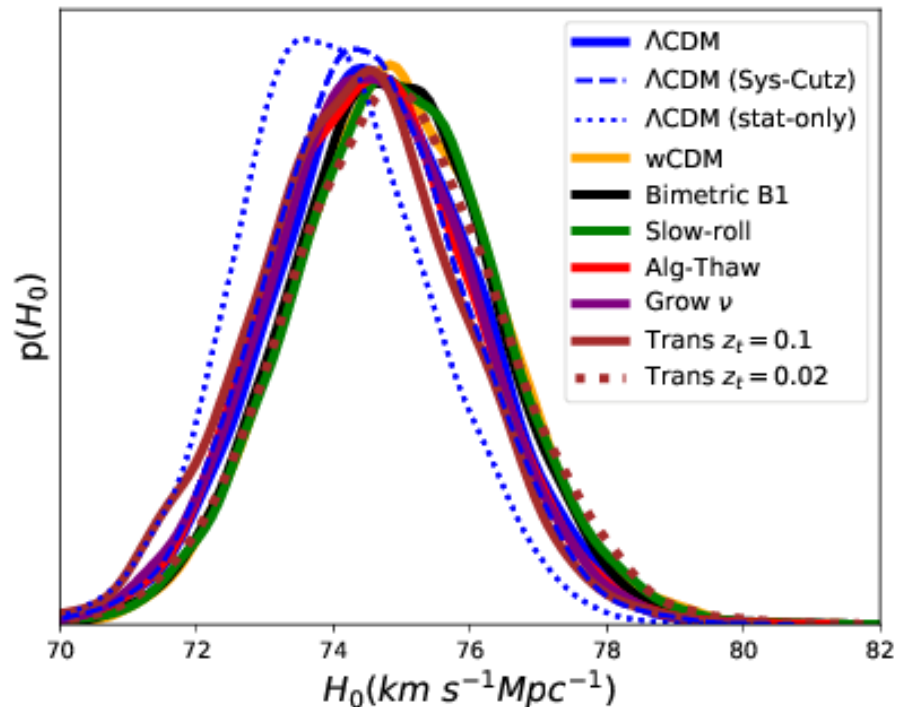
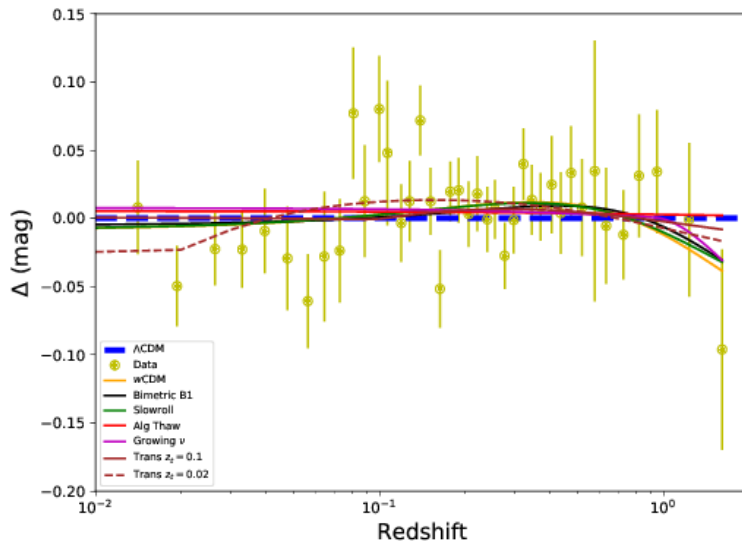
Low-z from > 10 systems

Model assumption shift in $H_0 \sim 0.7\%$
SN Ia systematic error shift $\sim 1\%$

Some targeted programs

Now used for Pantheon+ & SH0ES '22

SD, Brout, Scolnic+ 2020c

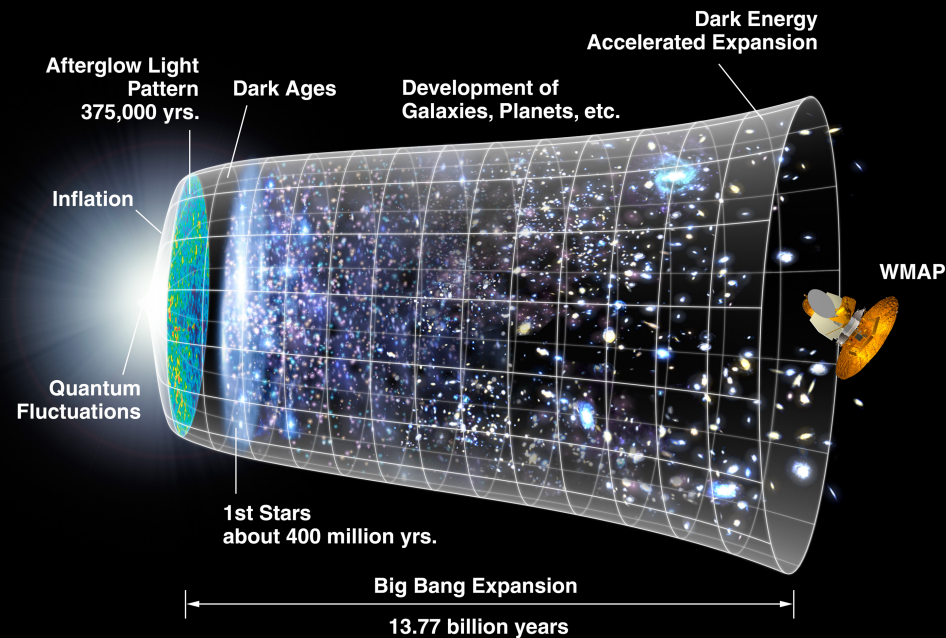


See also, transition models in Benevento, Hu, Raveri 2020

Expansion history

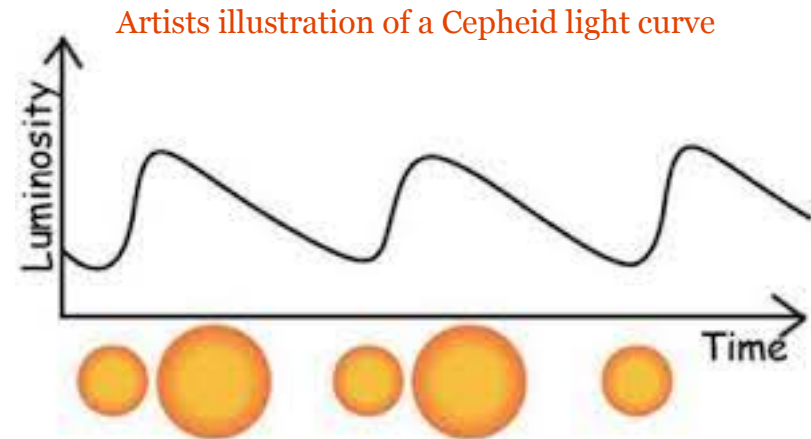
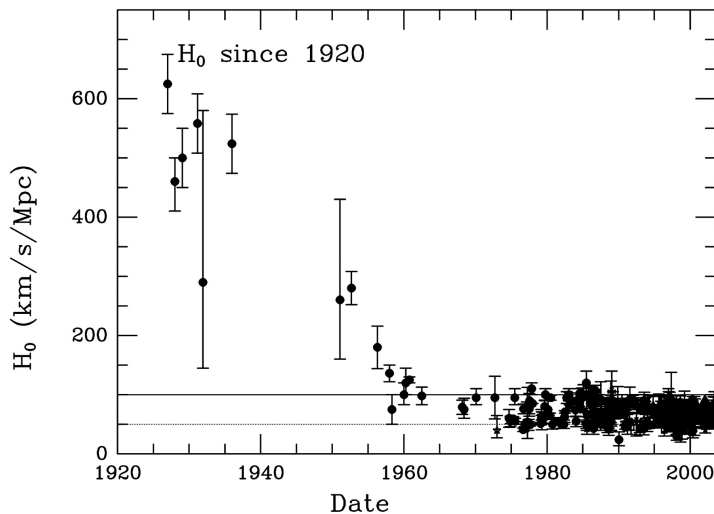
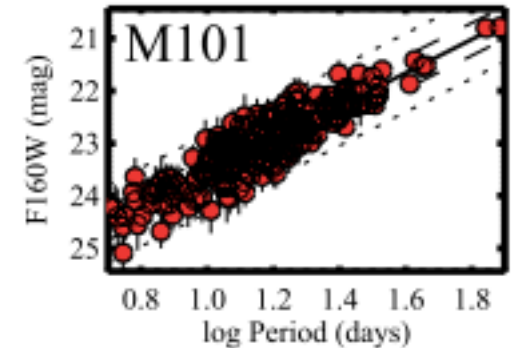
- What causes accelerated expansion?
- What is the rate of current expansion?

- Constrain growth of structure



- Pulsating variable stars
- Developed as precise distance indicators
- Correcting for Period - Luminosity (P-L) relation (Leavitt + Pickering 1912)
 - Correct for colour: the "Wesenheit" relation
 - Metallicity - luminosity relation

Minimise corrections by observing in the NIR



Current Status

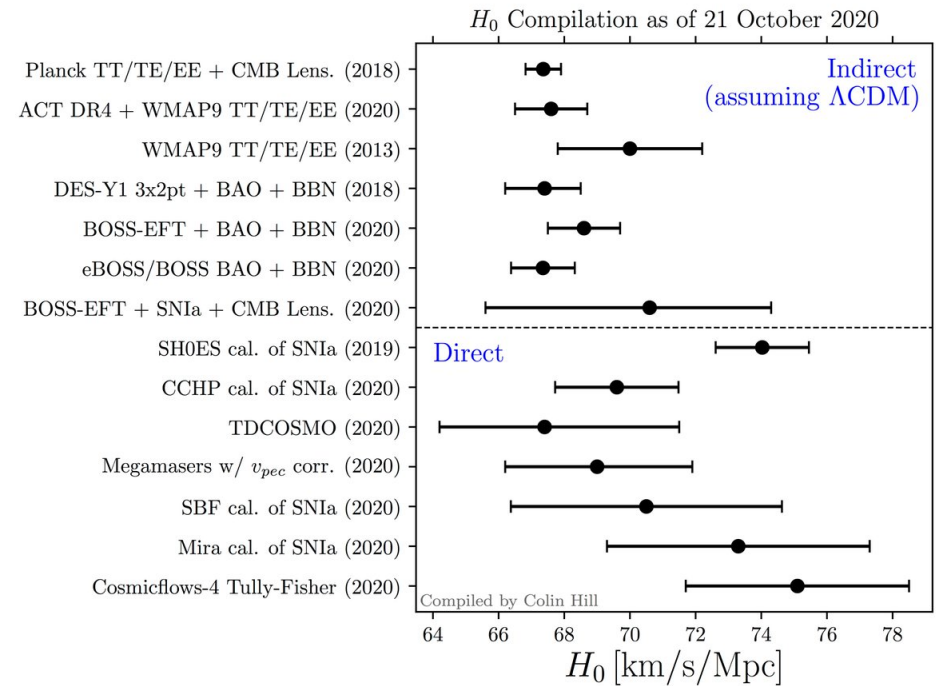
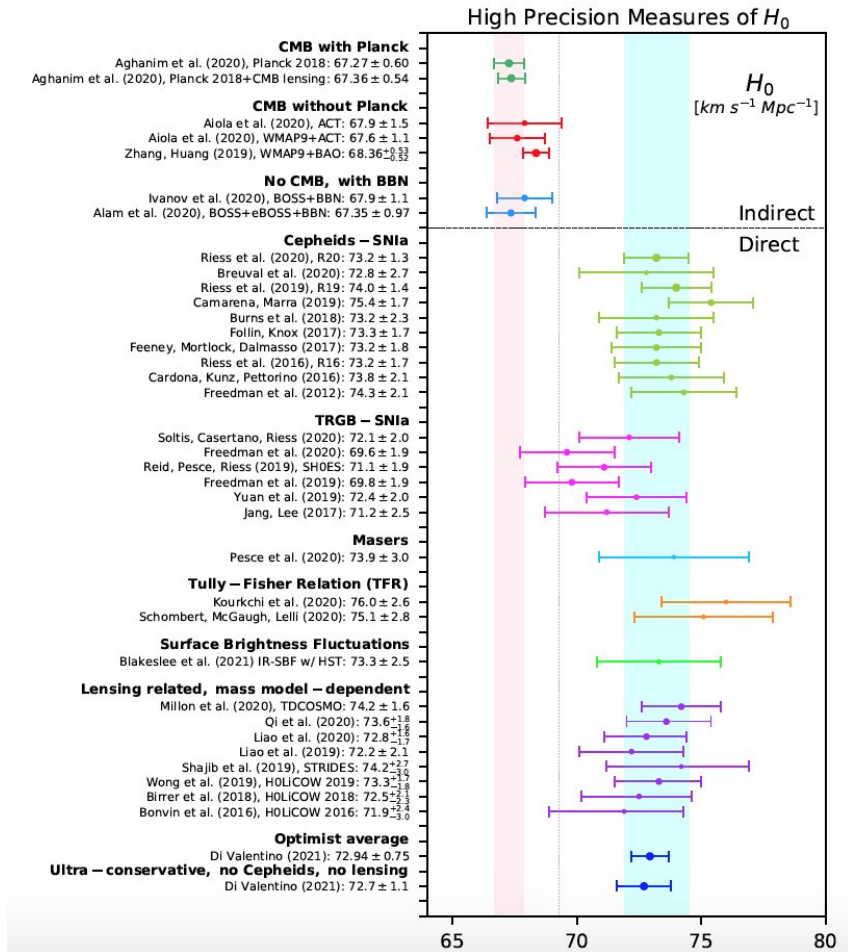
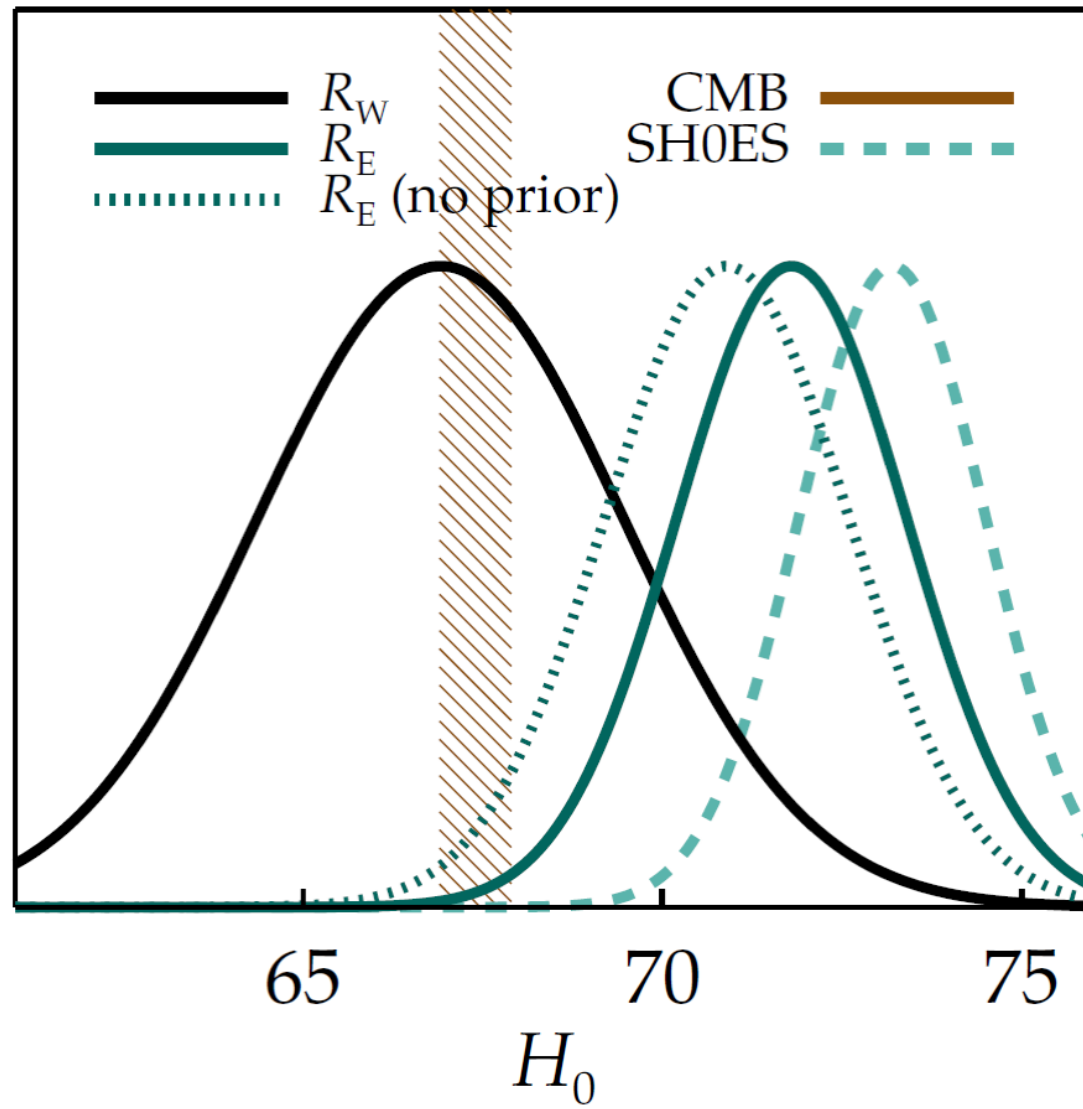


Figure from review by Di Valentino et al. (left) see also Hill et al. (right)

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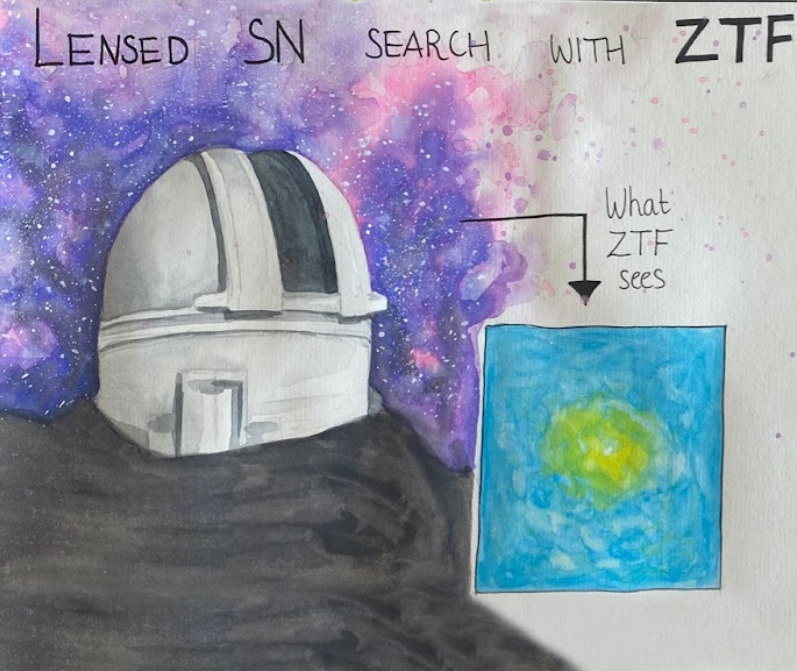


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