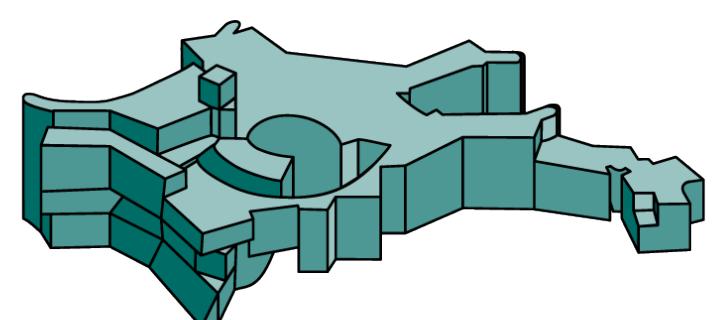


A new constraint on Early Dark Energy using the profile likelihood

based on LH, Ferreira, Komatsu (ApJ.L. 929 (2022) 1, L16)

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Early Dark Energy (EDE)

Kamionkowski et al. 2014, Karwal & Kamionkowski 2016, Caldwell & Devulder 2018, Poulin et al. 2019

Canonical EDE model: scalar field ϕ with potential

$$V(\phi) = V_0 [1 - \cos(\phi/f)]^n, \quad n = 3 \text{ fixed}$$

Free parameters:

f_{EDE} : max. fraction of EDE,

$\log(z_c)$: critical redshift at which EDE is max.,

$\theta_i \equiv \phi_i/f$: initial value of the field.

“Solve” H_0 tension: $f_{\text{EDE}} \approx 10\%$

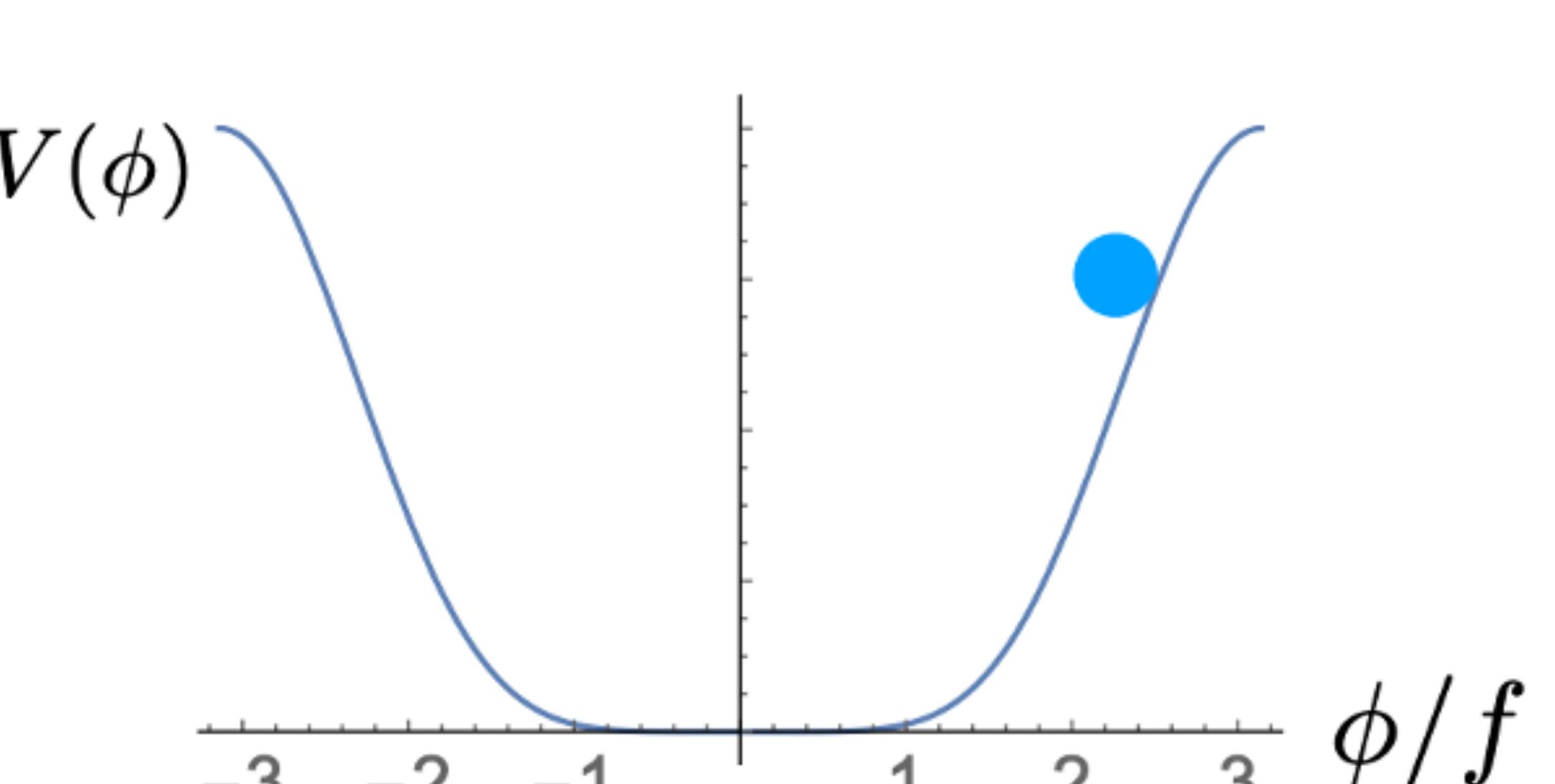


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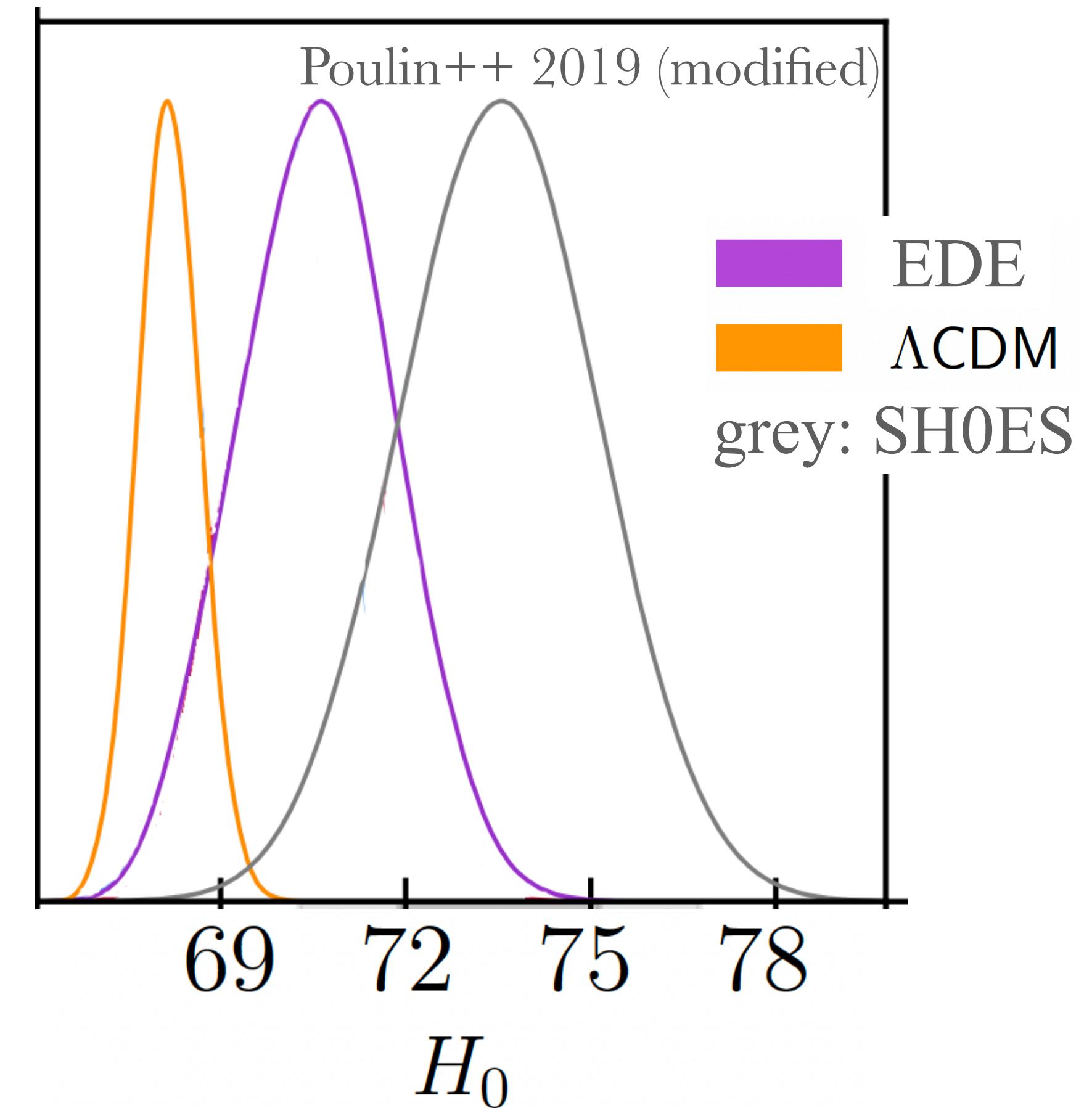


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Poulin++ 2019

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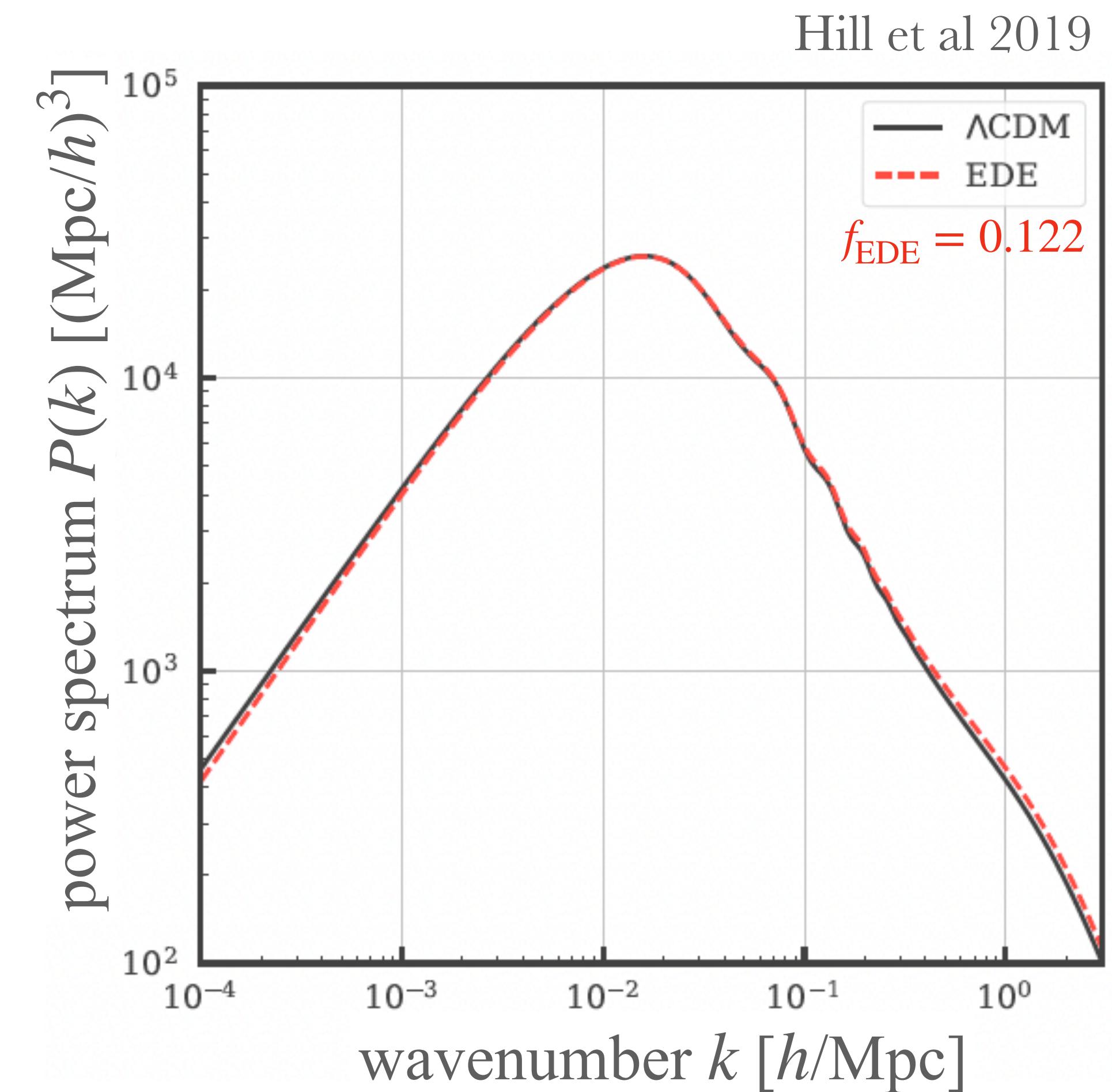


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- **But this comes at a cost:**
EDE suppresses growth of perturbations at early times
 - ω_{CDM} and n_s increase
 - small scale clustering increases



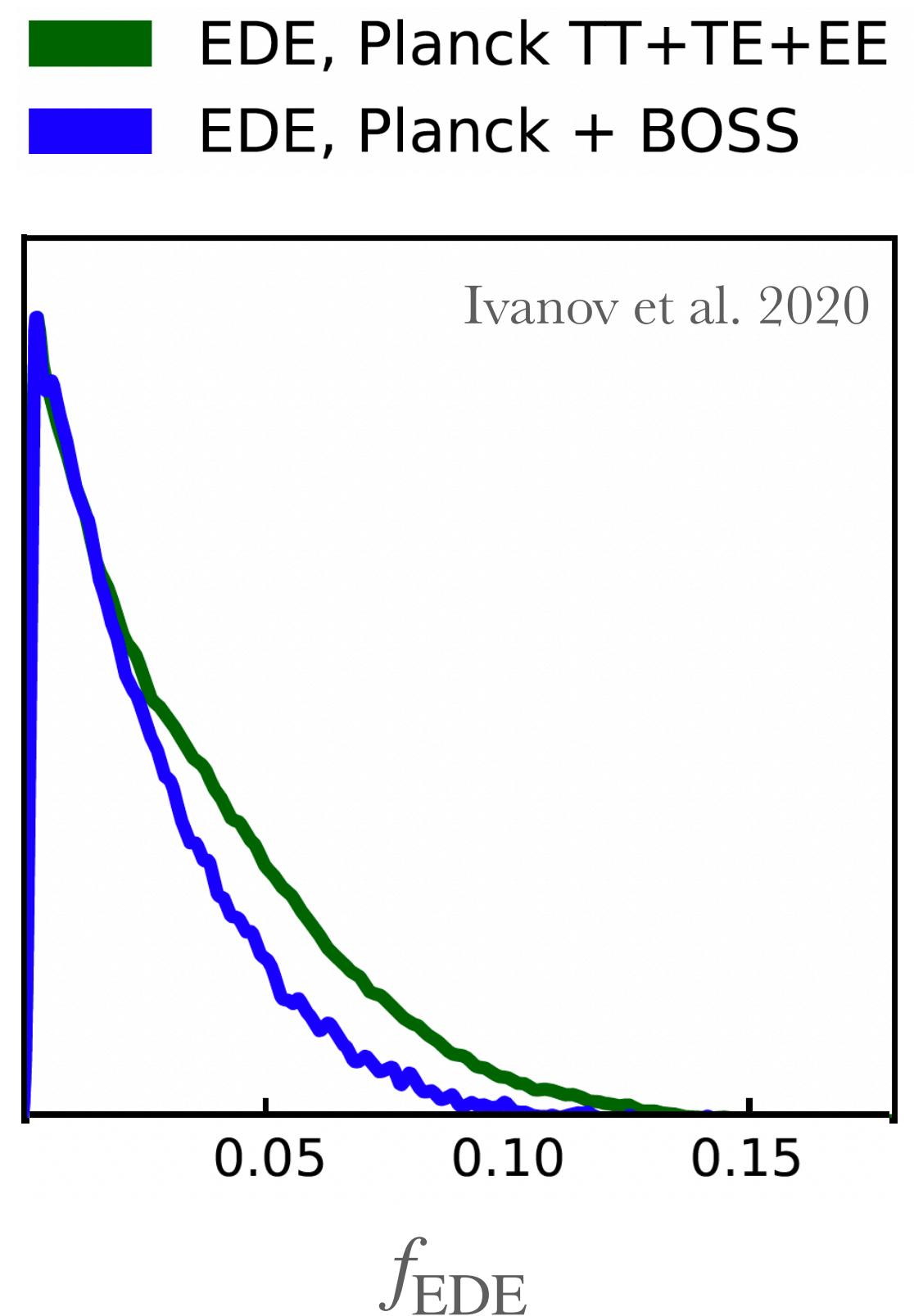
Adding galaxy clustering data: EDE is ruled out?

Ivanov++ 2020; D'Amico++ 2020

Data sets: Planck + BOSS DR12 BAO + full-shape analysis

- $f_{\text{EDE}} < 0.072$ (95% CL)
- $H_0 = 68.54^{+0.52}_{-0.95}$ km/s/Mpc

→ EDE does not solve H_0 tension



EDE is not ruled out by LSS?

Smith++ 2020

Data sets: Planck + BOSS DR12 BAO + full-shape analysis + Pantheon

- fixing z_c , θ_i to bestfit to *Planck* – “1-parameter model”
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Could prior volume effects bias the results?

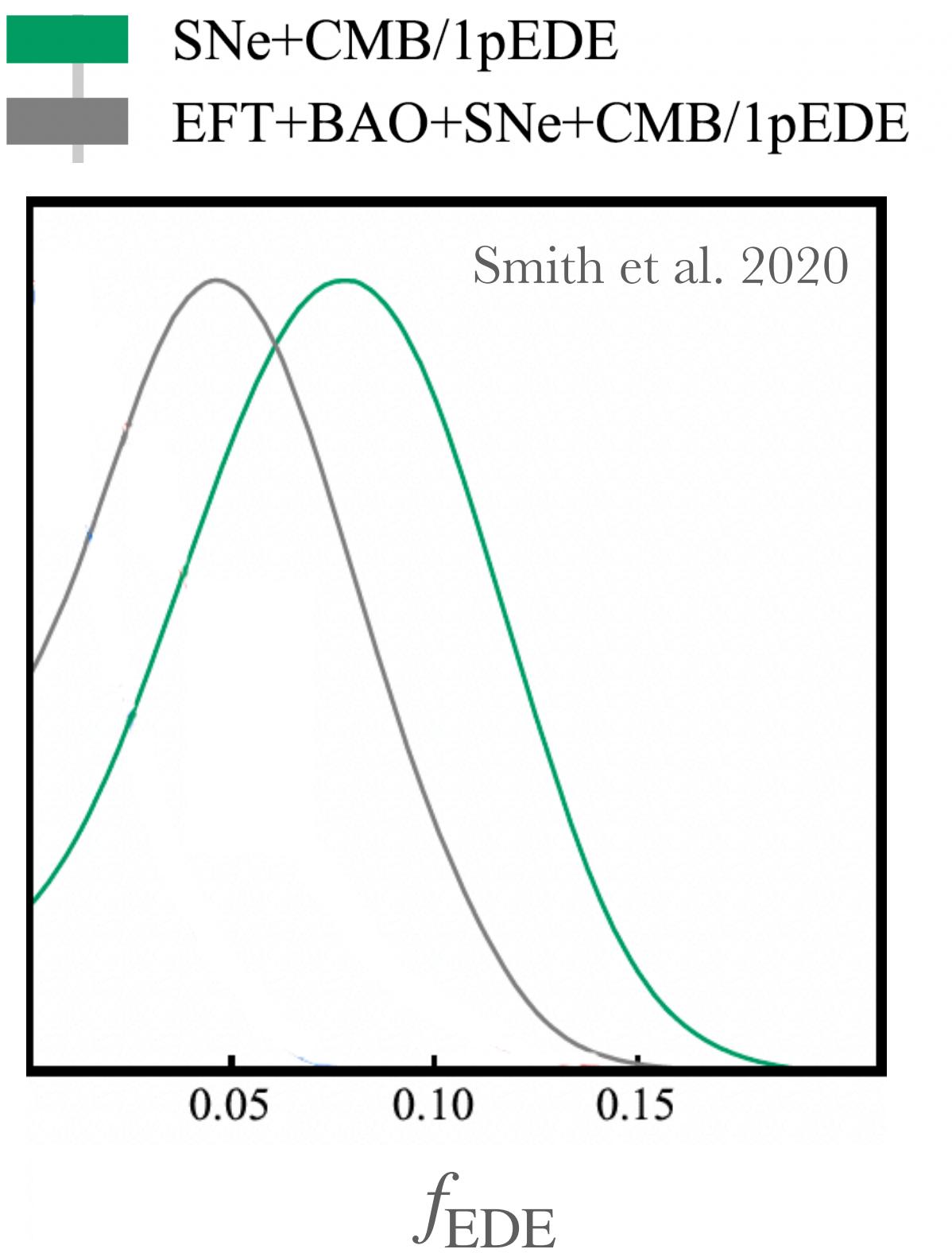


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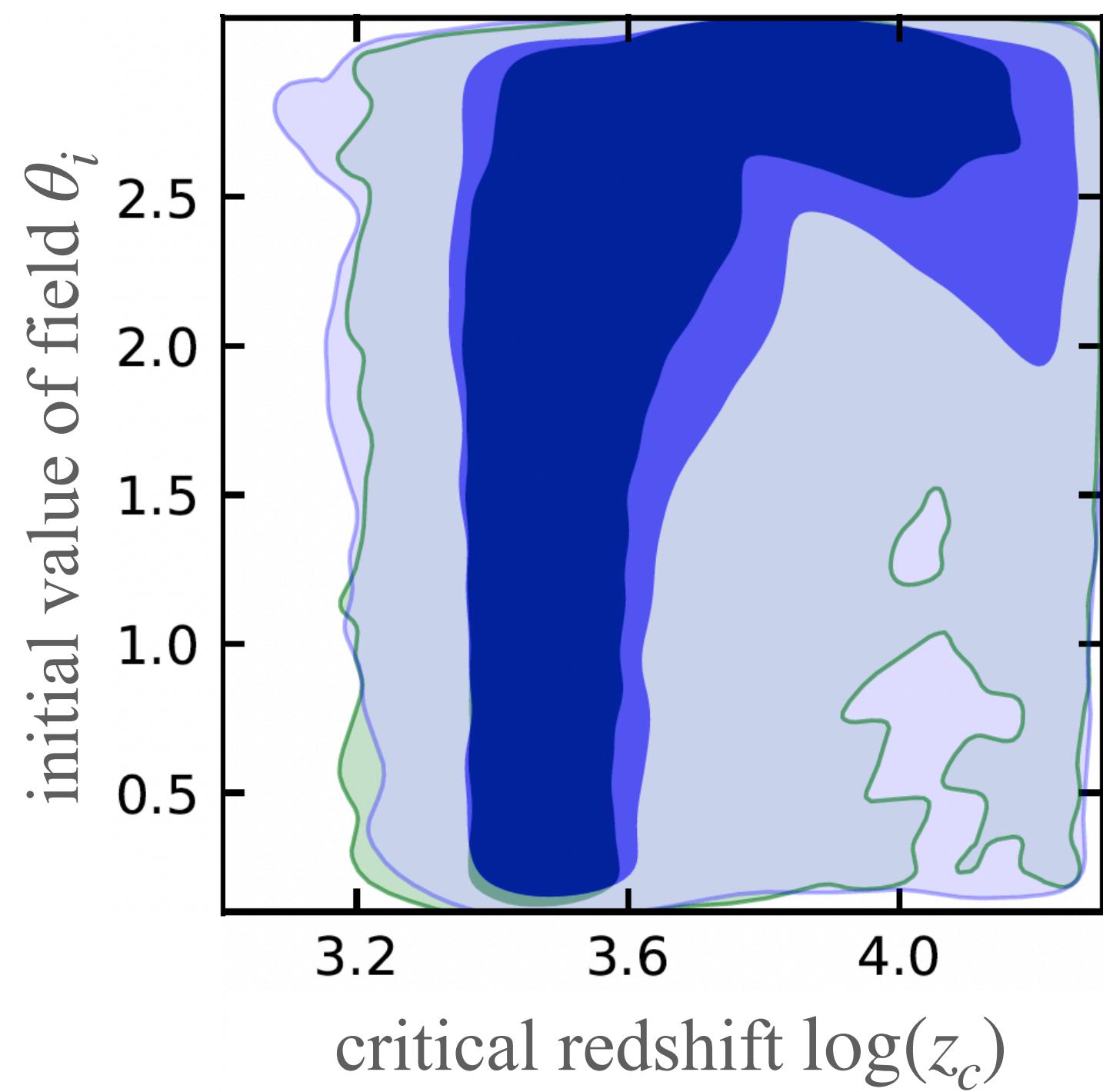
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Ivanov et al. 2020

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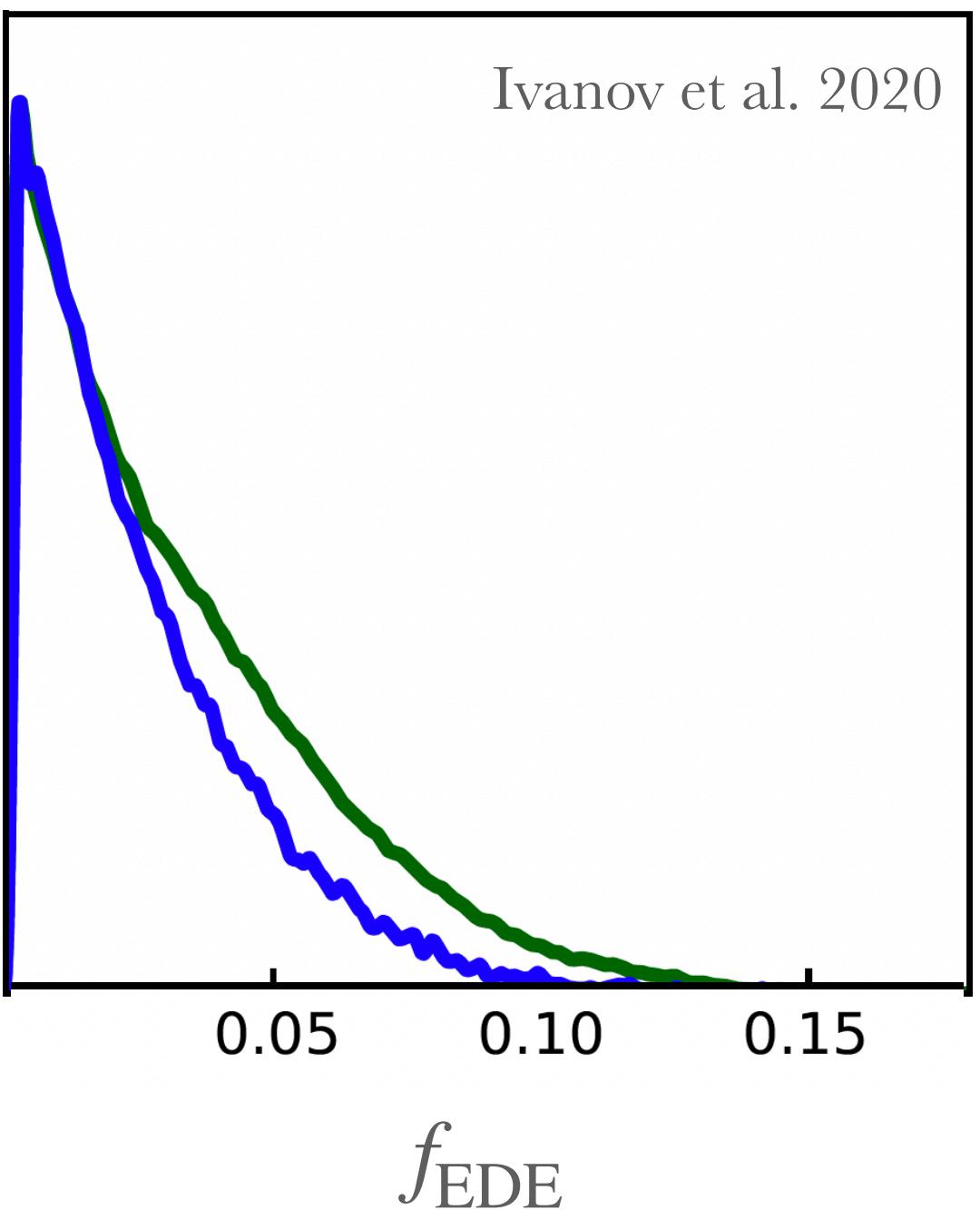
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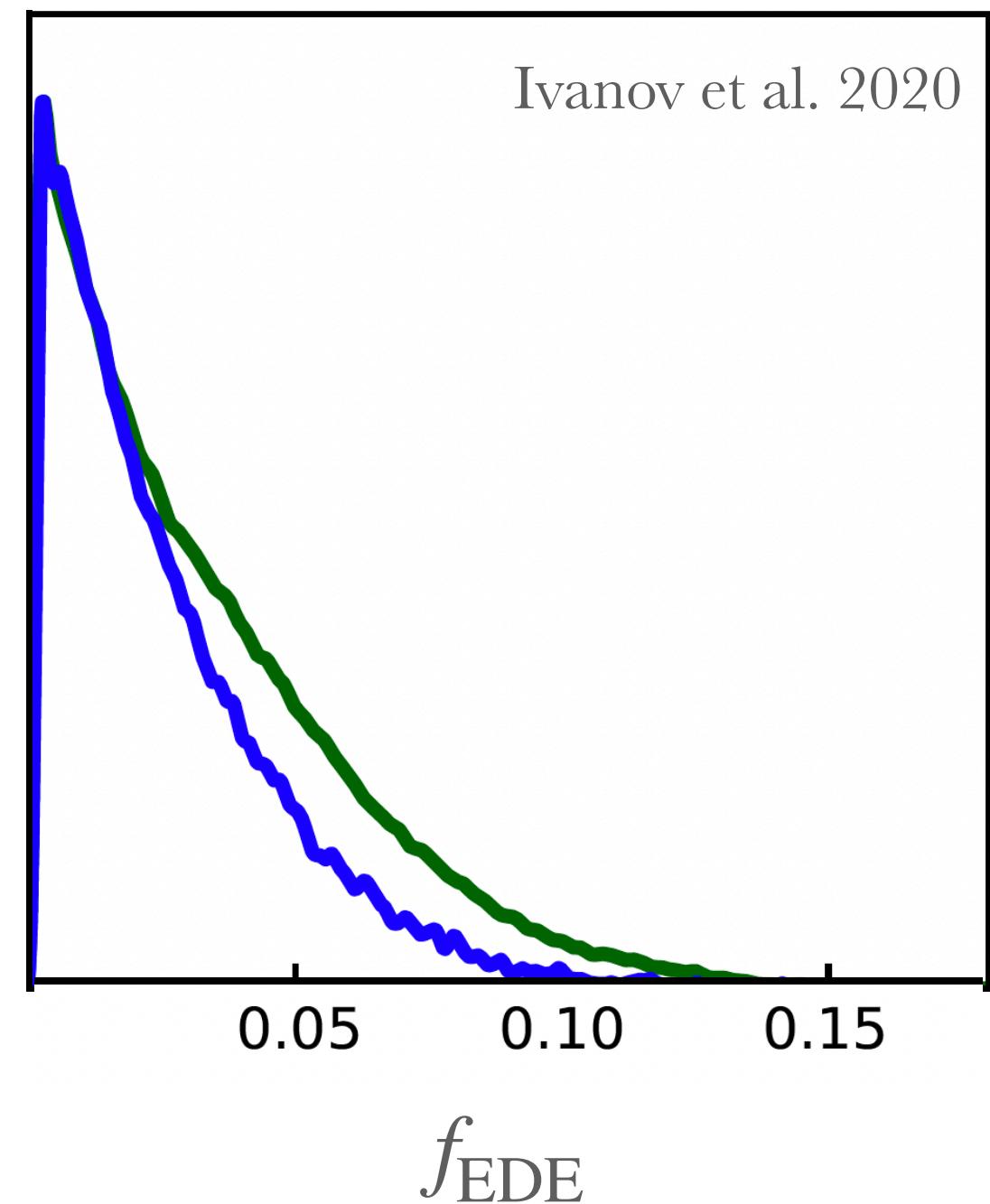
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→ Bias in the marginalised posterior.

Idea: Profile likelihood is not subject to volume effects

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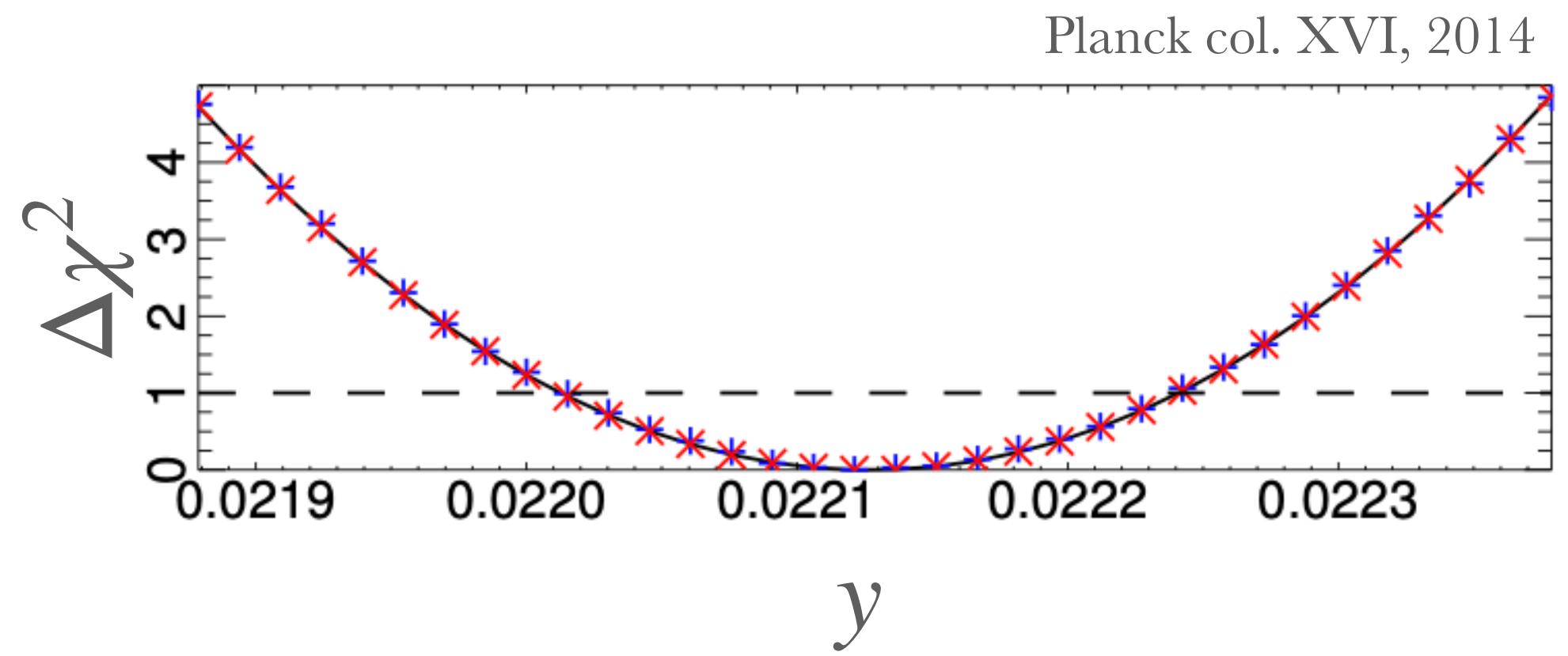
Profile likelihood

Profile likelihood:

- Fix parameter y of interest to different values, minimize χ^2 w.r.t. all other parameters
- for Gaussian distribution this gives parabola in $\Delta\chi^2$

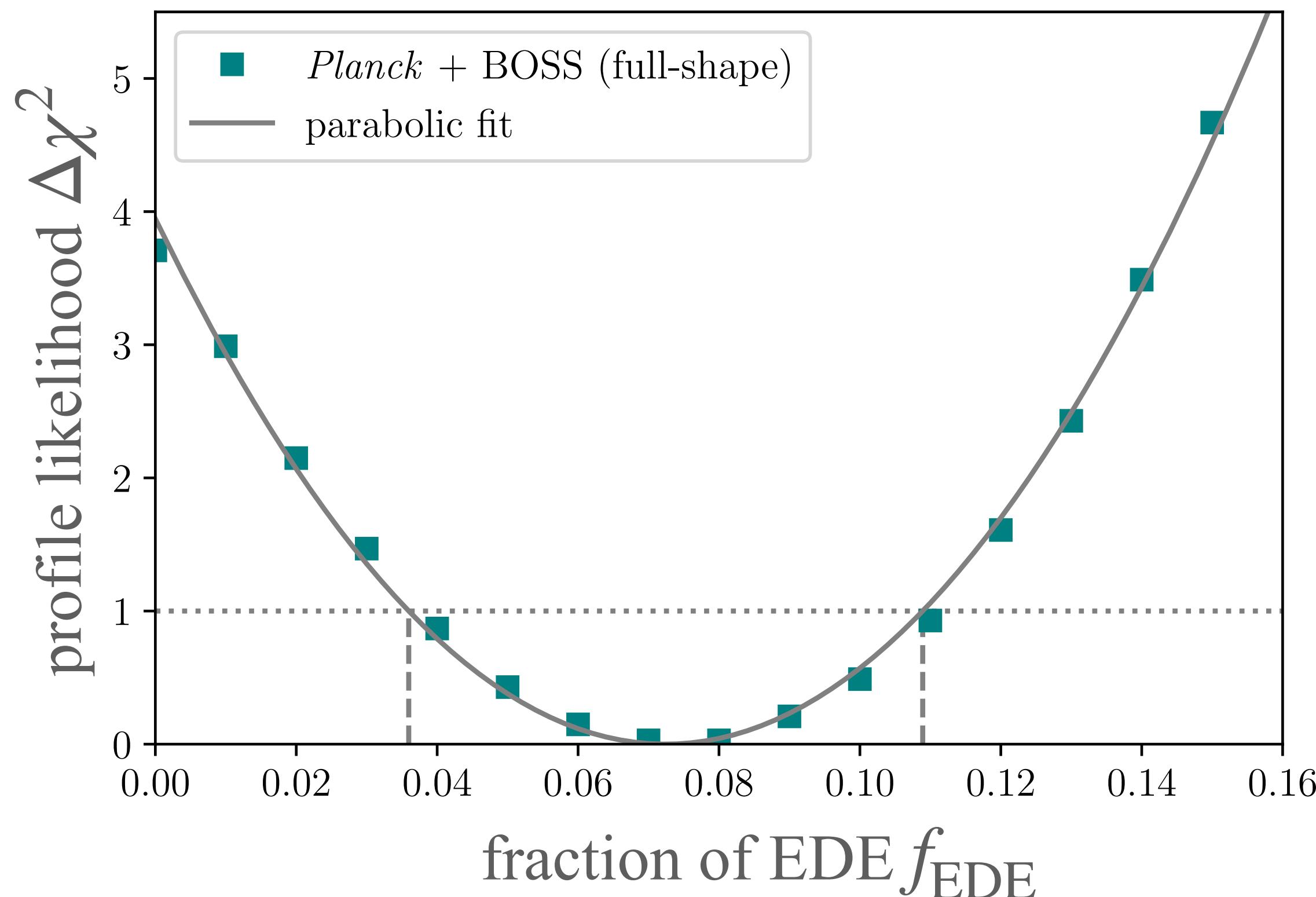
Confidence interval:

- Read off 1σ at the intersection with $\Delta\chi^2 = 1$
(Neyman construction)



Profile likelihood – results

LH, Ferreira, Komatsu (ApJ.L. 929 (2022) 1, L16)



Data sets: Planck 2018 + BOSS DR12 full-shape analysis (Ivanov++ 2020)

MCMC: Monte Python (Brinckmann & Lesgourges 2018)

Model: EDE_CLASS-PT (Hill++ 2020, Chudaykin++ 2020)

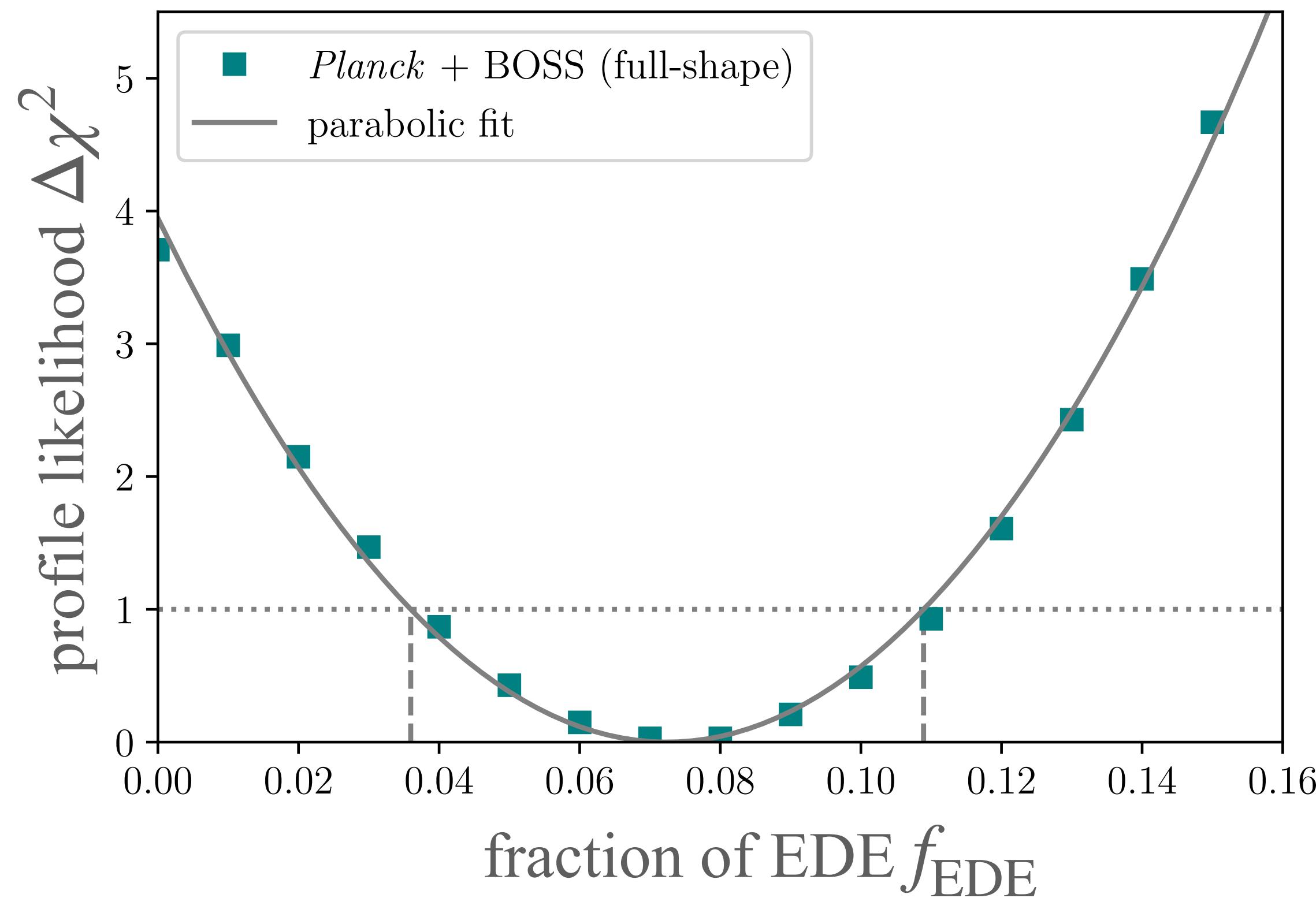
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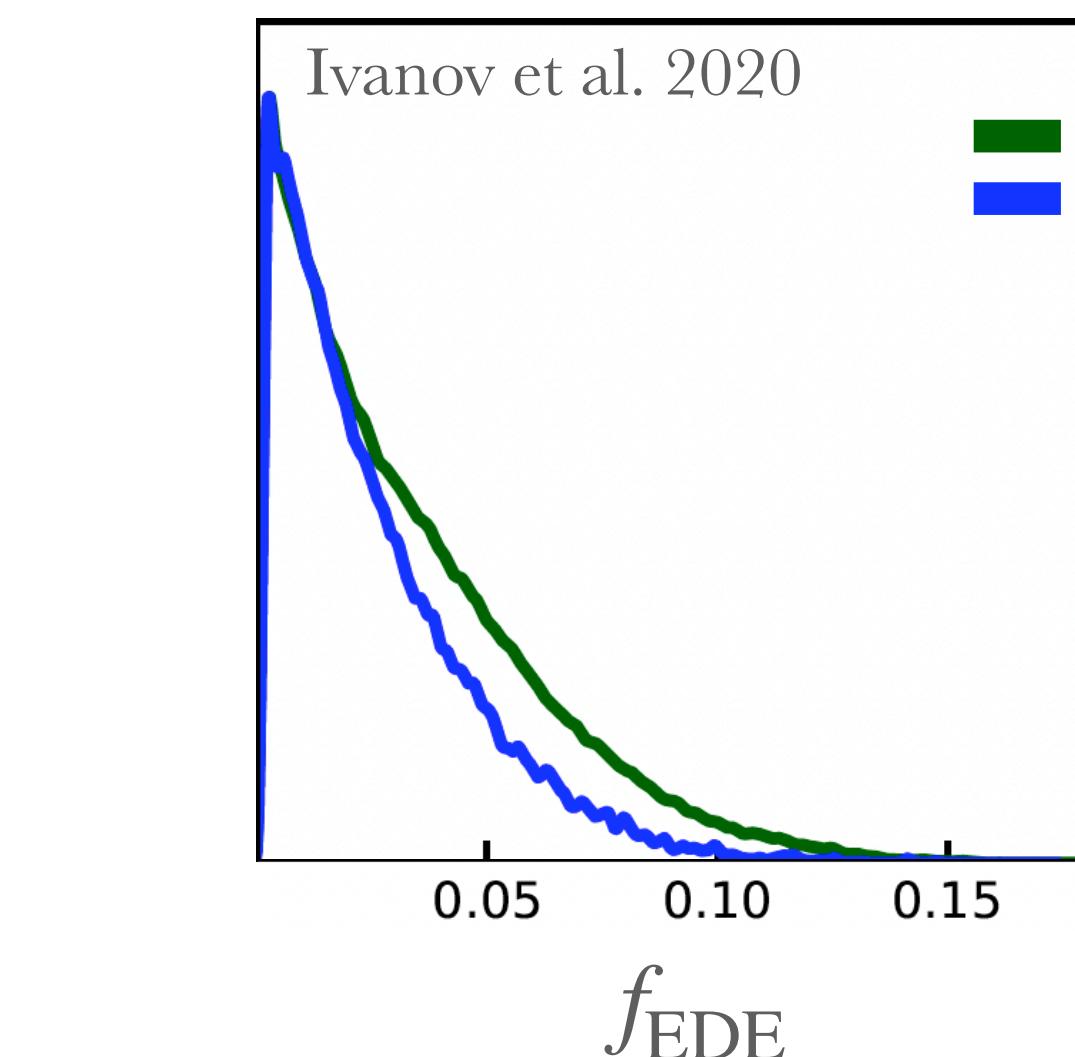
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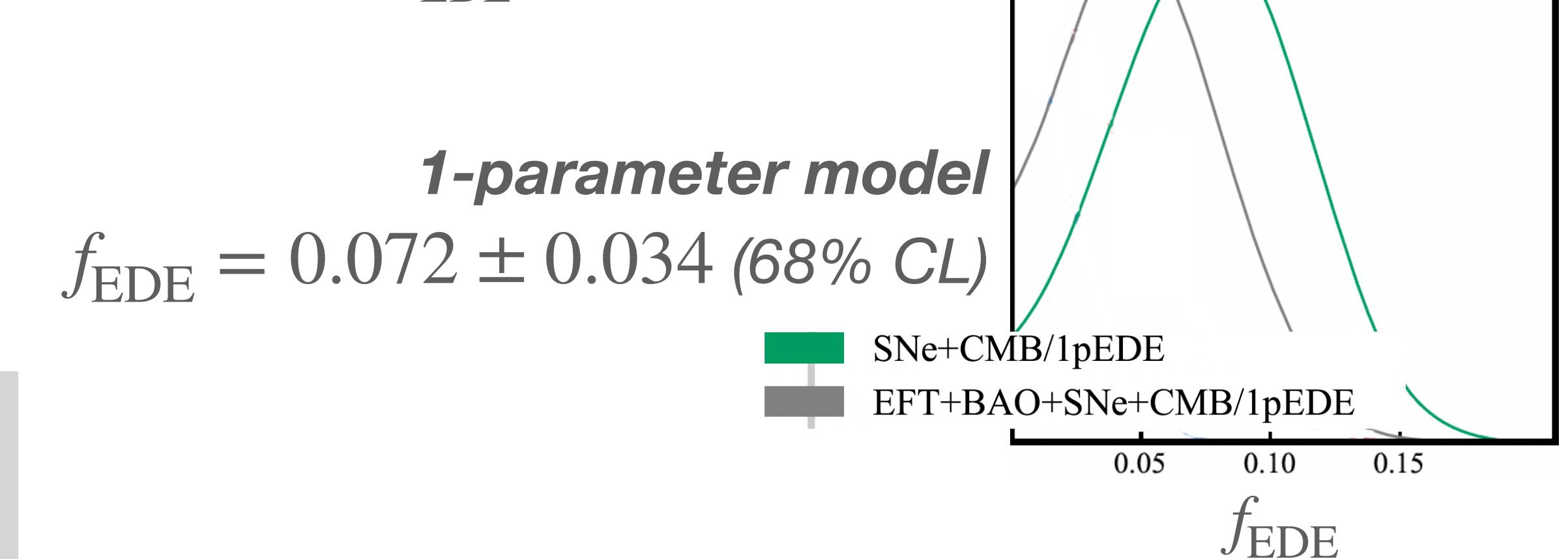
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Summary

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Important in the EDE model and possibly other beyond- Λ CDM models with extra parameters

Profile likelihood

Constraints on f_{EDE} and H_0 differ from full MCMC result
– EDE is not ruled out by galaxy clustering

To appear soon

EDE with more data sets (esp. weak lensing/ S_8 data)

