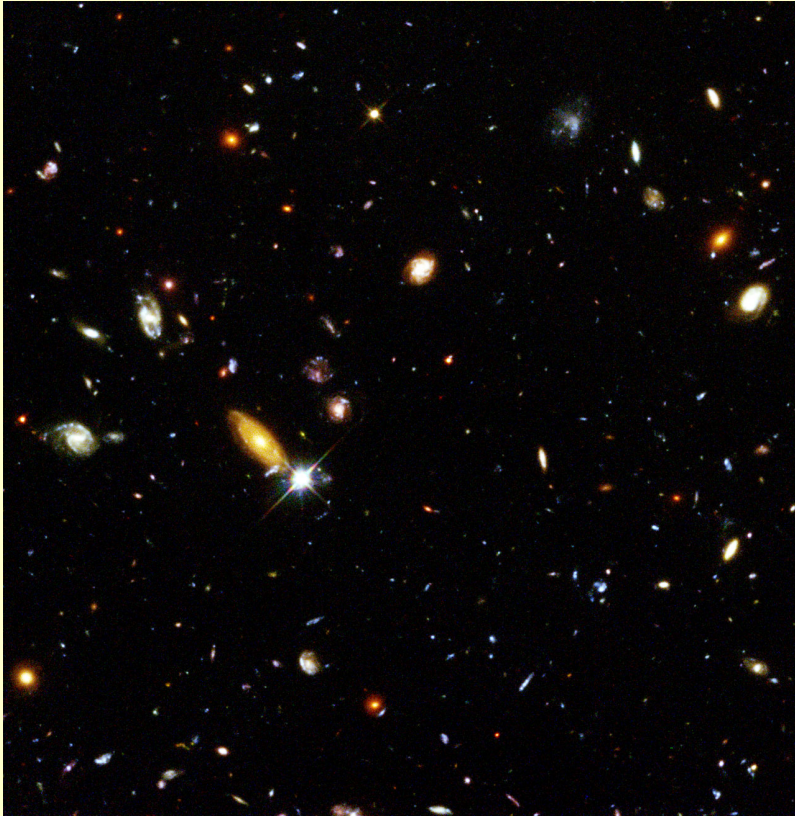
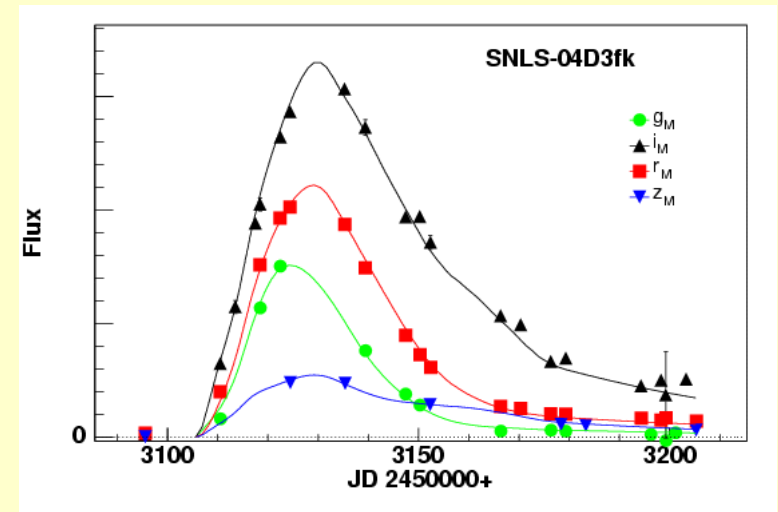
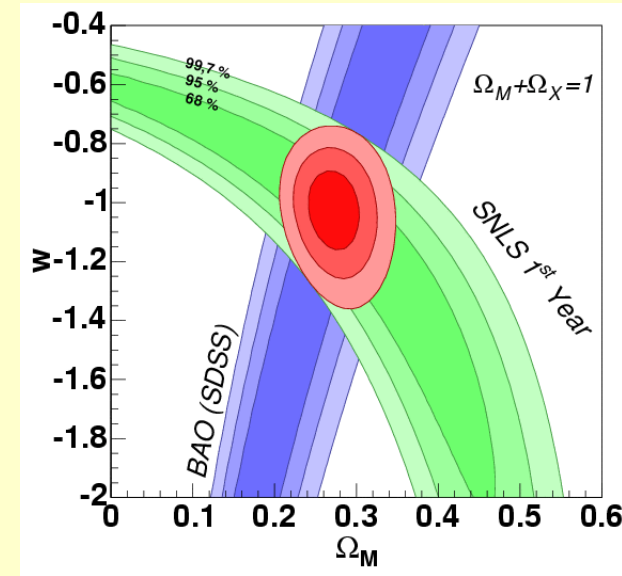


# SNLS

## Data Reduction



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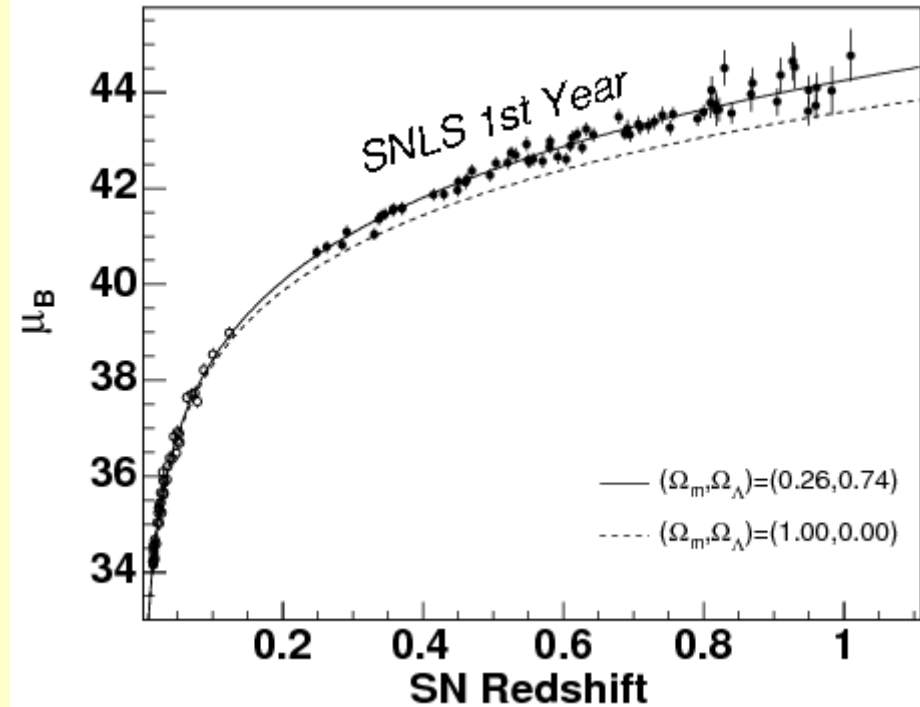
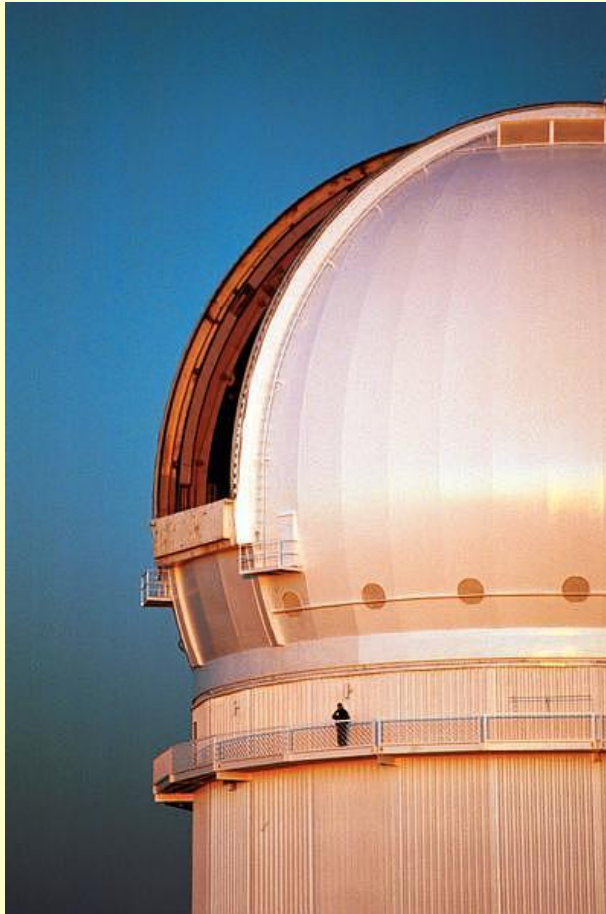


Aspera in Barcelona  
30/05/2011

# SuperNova Legacy Survey:

## SNe Ia @ $0.2 < z < 1$

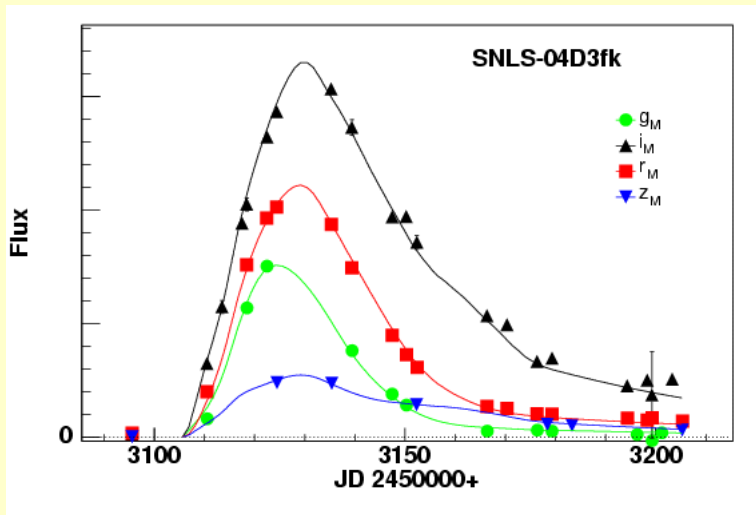
Distances  
photometry  
(CFHT, 3.6m)



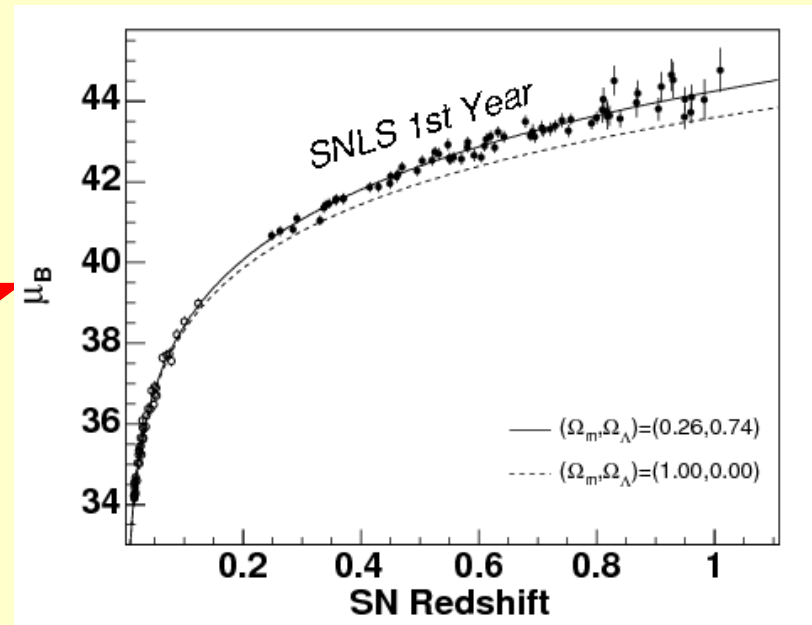
Redshifts : spectroscopy (VLT, Gemini, Keck)



# Hubble diagram : flux vs redshift



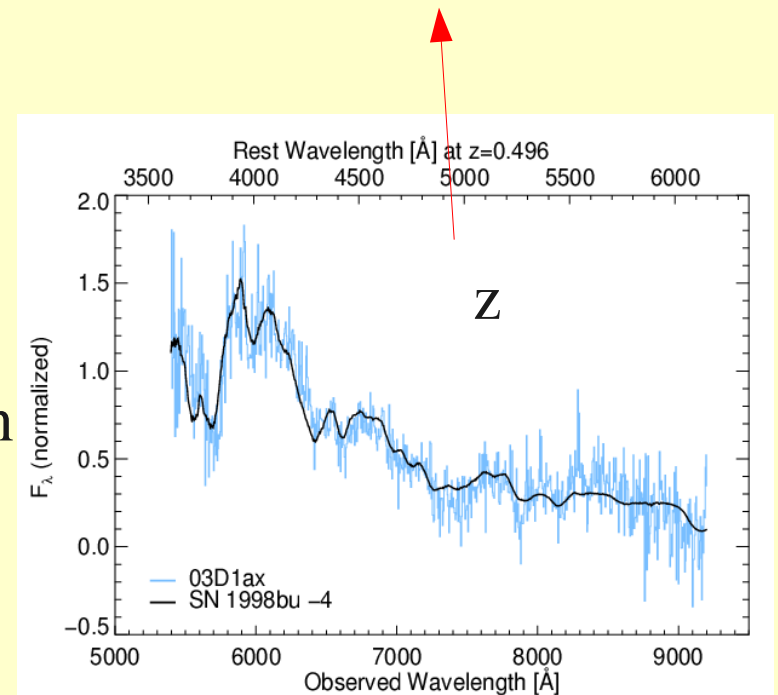
Peak flux



Multi-band photometry  
=> distance

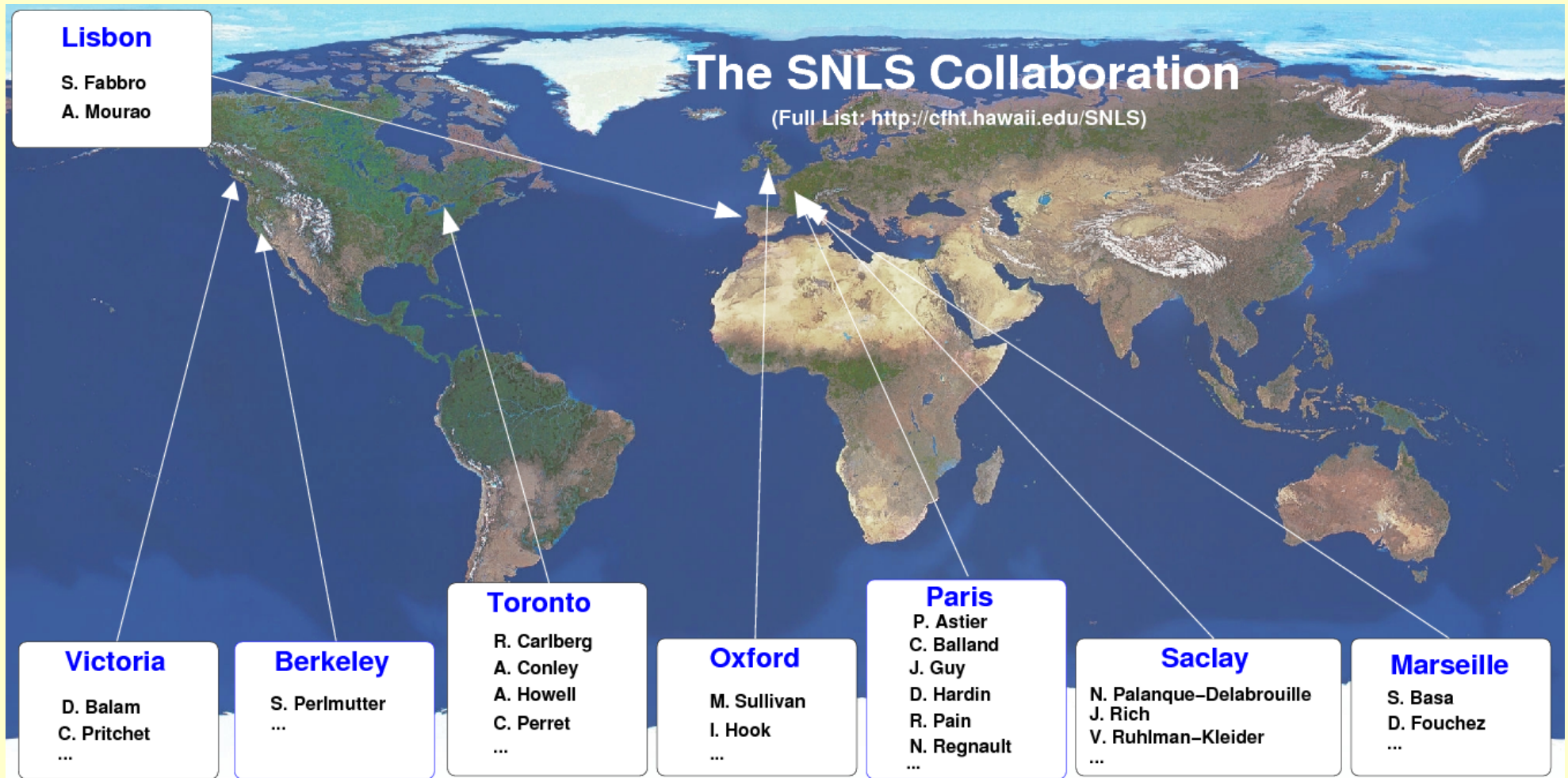
The Hubble diagram  
probes the kinematics  
of the expansion of  
the universe ...  
... and hence its contents

spectroscopy:  
- identification  
- redshift



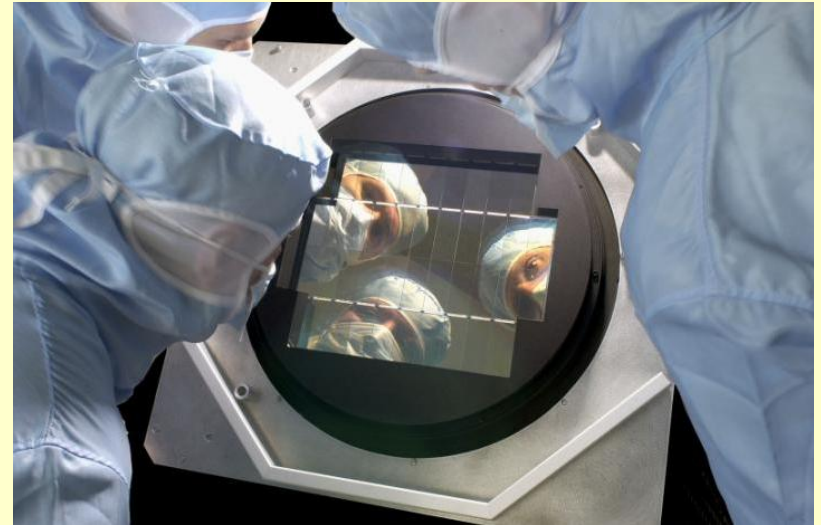
# The SNLS Collaboration

(SuperNova Legacy Survey)

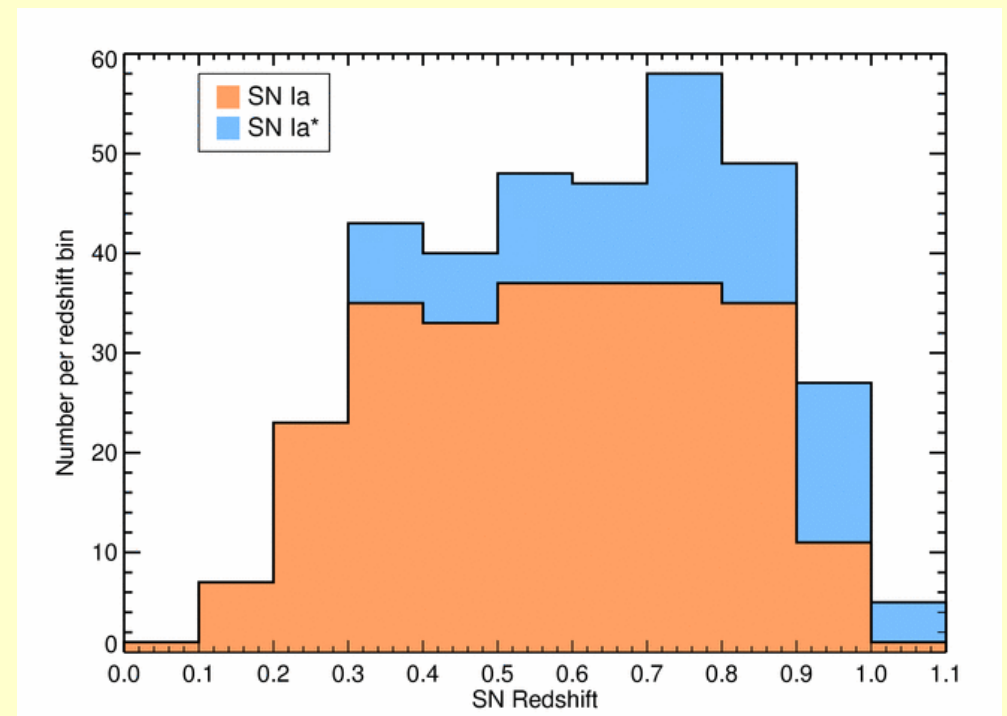


# SNLS: statistics

- SN survey in “rolling search” mode  
( within **CFHTLS**, 5 years)
- Goal: ~500 SNe to constrain dark energy)
- Uses Megacam on CFHT (340 Mpixels)  
4 bands g,r,i,z / 4 nights
- Spectroscopy on **VLT, Gemini & Keck**.



- Survey over (2003-2008)
- ~400 confirmed SNe Ia  
 $0.1 < z < 1.05$
- ~1000 detected SNe



# SNLS Data?

## Spectroscopy (VLT, Gemini, Keck):

Small volumes ( <200 Mb per event , ~500 events)  
Reduction is semi-automatised.

## Imaging (CFHT/Megacam) for photometry :

The telescope delivers “exposures” which contain 36 CCD  
Science & calibration exposures  
Total : ~20000 expositions of 340 Mpixels (680 Mb)

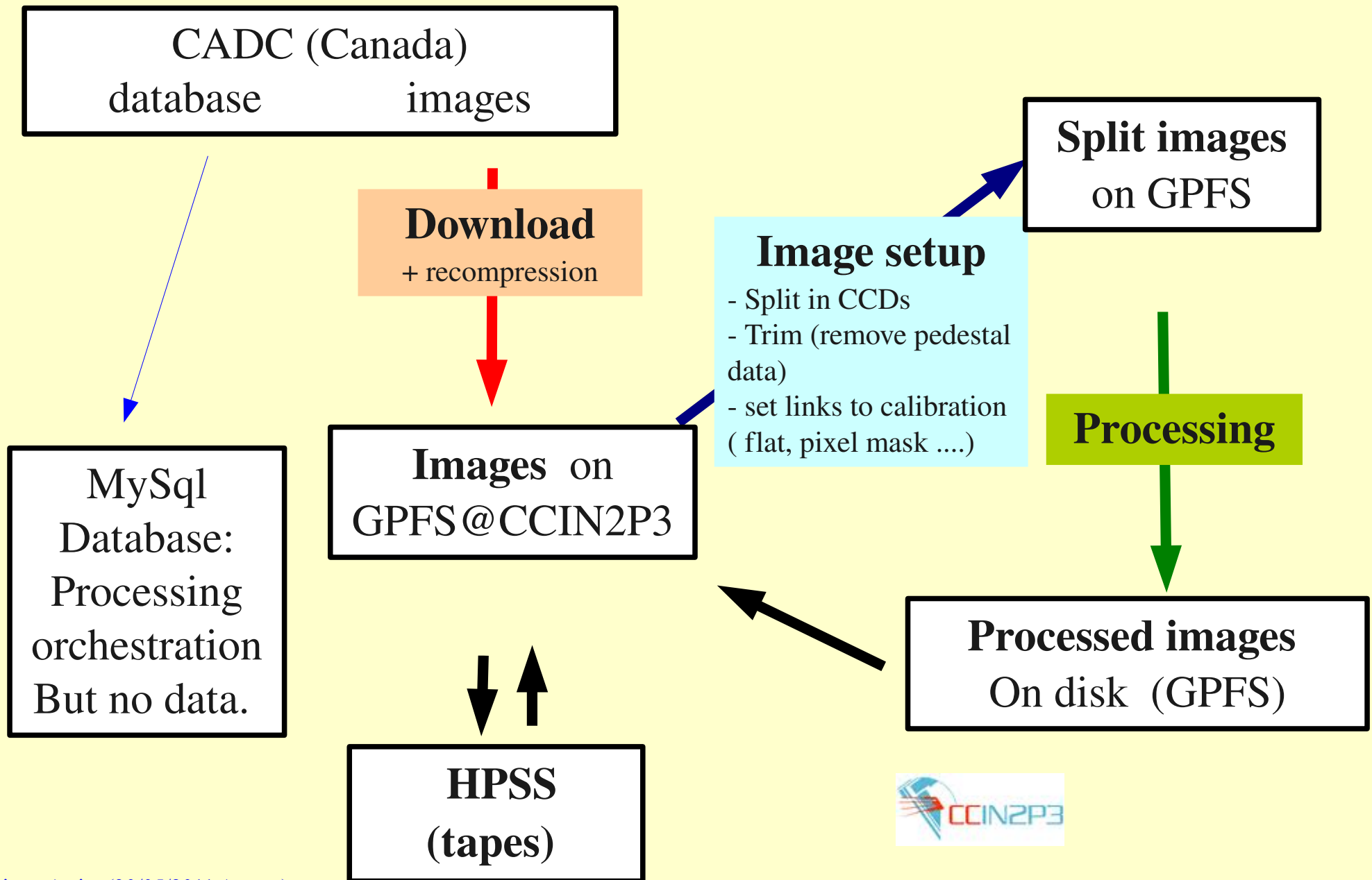
## What do we do with images?

- Detecting supernovae (difference imaging run in Hawaii)
- Photometry of supernovae.
- Photometric calibration.
- Deep stacks.
- Add fake supernovae to images and run the detection.

# SNLS : data transfers

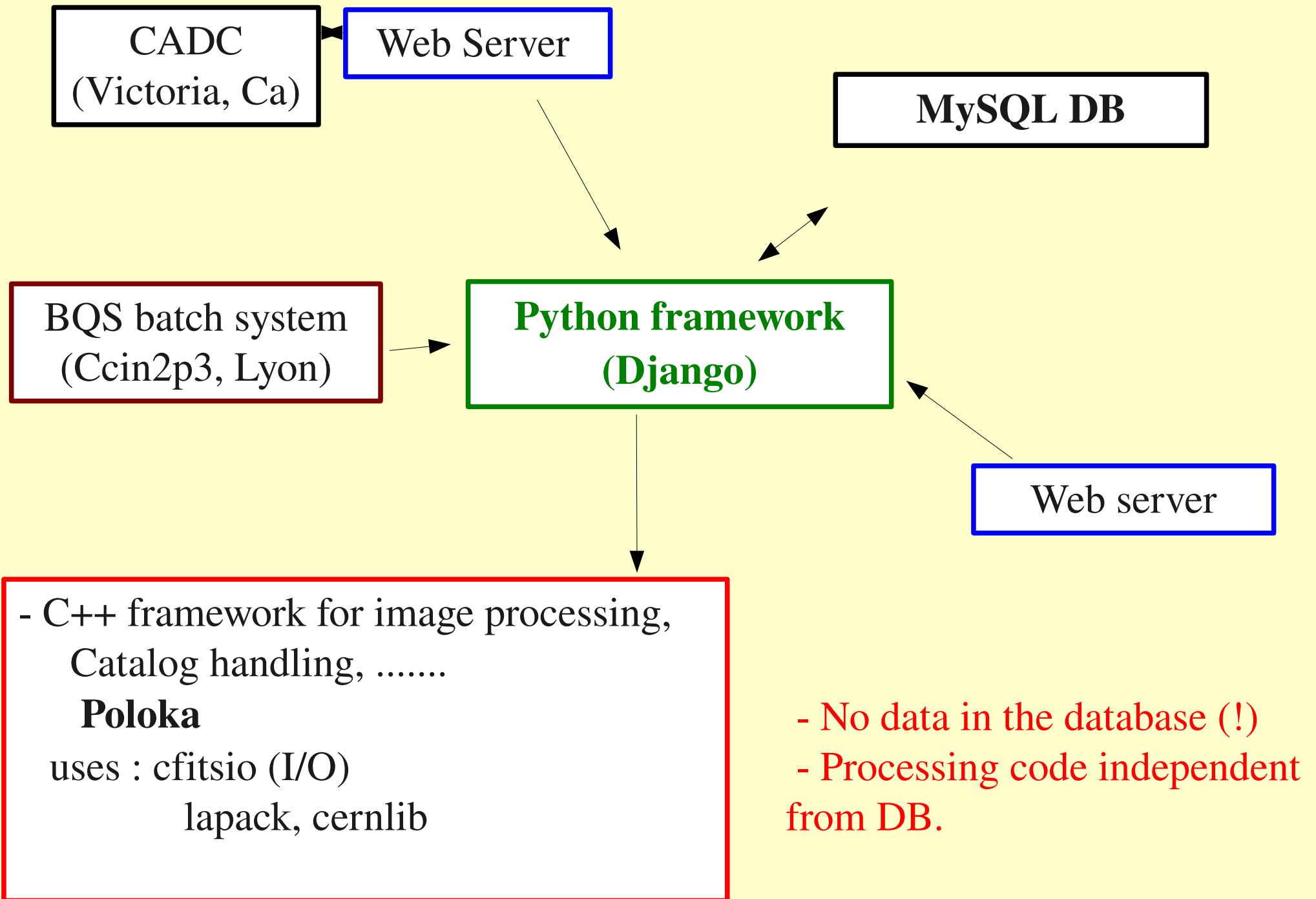


# Data flow





# Software



# The storage element : the “image”

An « image » = 1 CCD (9 Mpixels) from an exposure  
One exposure = 36 “images” = 36 CCD.

An image = a directory

That contains :

- The image itself
- Weight image
- Flat, Bias, .... as links
- Several catalogs
- A set of masks  
(dead/satur/satellite/cosmics)
- Processing logs, ....

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total 34M
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# Volumes on disc

Input images : about 20 000 expositions x 330 Mpixels ~ 13 Tb

Images pre-reduced (size \*= 2 ... ):

- science (SN fields) : 450 000 x 35 Mb = 16 Tb
- calibration : = 6 Tb

Resampled images (for light curves) = 12 Tb

2 productions (science, development) ~ 70 Tb

Other stuff : Fake supernovae, deep stacks, sandbox ..... ~ 10 Tb

==> less than 100 Tb. All on GPFS (at [ccin2p3@lyon](mailto:ccin2p3@lyon))  
with backups on HPSS.

# Image compression

Image files are encoded in the FITS format:

- Header (image metadata, ASCII) ~10 kb
- Pixels (9Mp x 16 bits) 18 Mb

→ Compressing the header is just useless.

A lossless compression reduces the file size by a factor of 2 :

- + disk space
- + network traffic
- + negligible impact on computing time.

**We use the RICE compression (integrated to CFITSIO)**

- > “block” compression → direct access to image lines.
- > acceptable increase of I/Os to access image cutouts.

# Processing pipelines : examples

**Pre-reduction** : from raw image to “calibrated”

- make a catalogue, detect cosmoics, planes, ....

.....

==> Traverse all pixels for short computations.

“Computing” time dominated by I/O's

**Light curves** : flux(time) for transients

- 1) re-sample all images at the same pixel grid

==> 1 image read (20 Mb), 1 image written. CPU : ~ few s/image

- 2) evaluate convolution kernels

==> 1 image read, ~2kb written . CPU : ~ 30 s / image

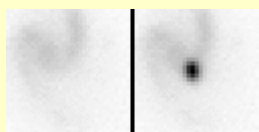
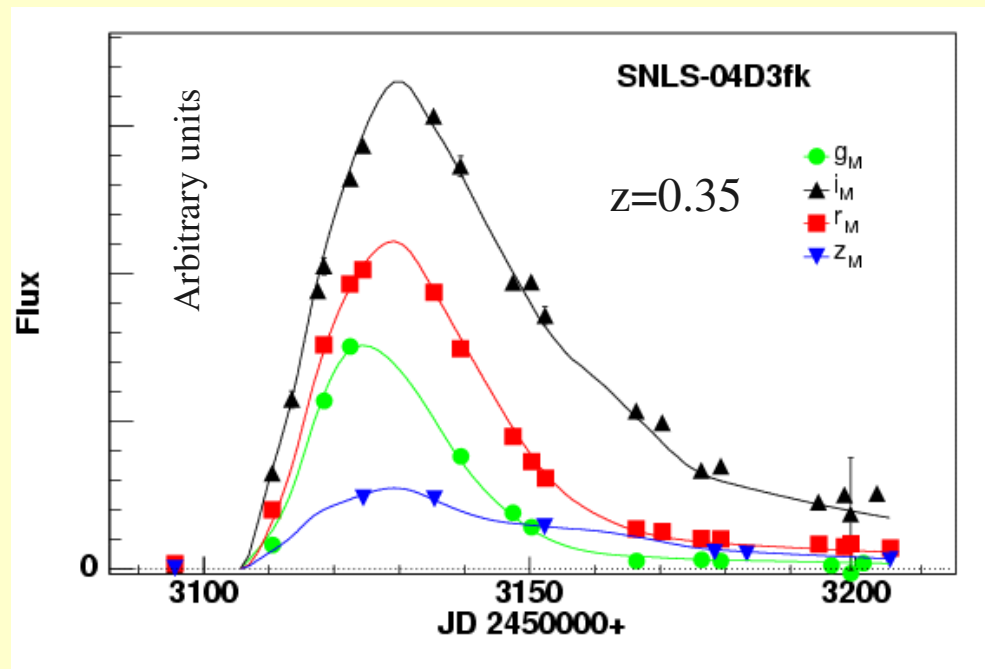
- 3) simultaneous fit to all images (~700 images)

==> ~read 2000 stamps. CPU ~ 2 hours.

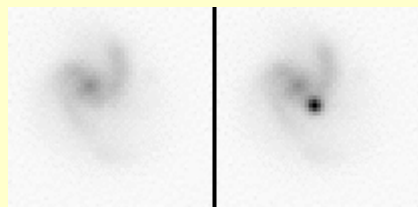
# Light curves



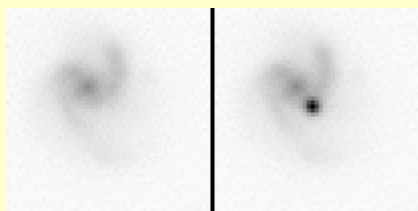
We process the 4 bands independently



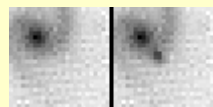
g



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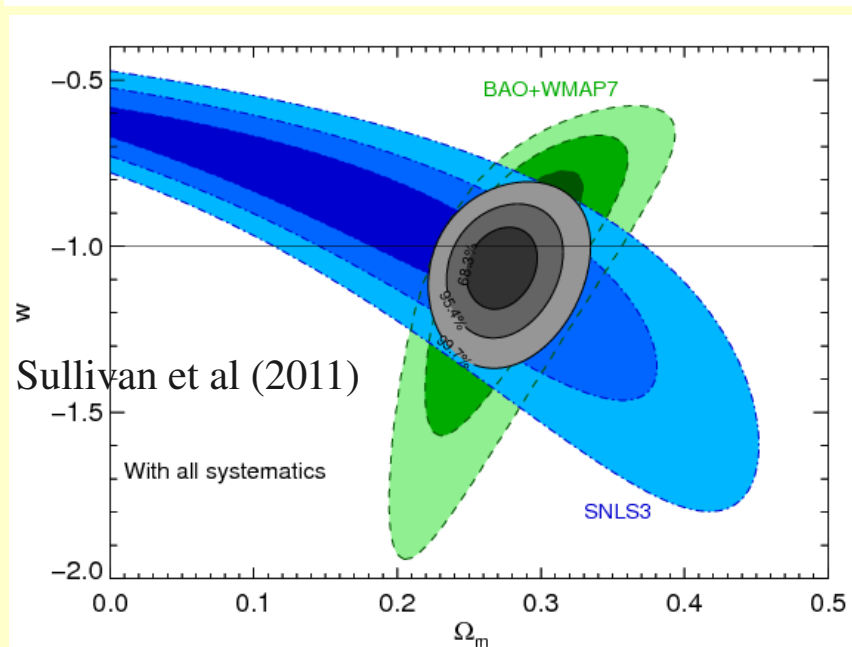
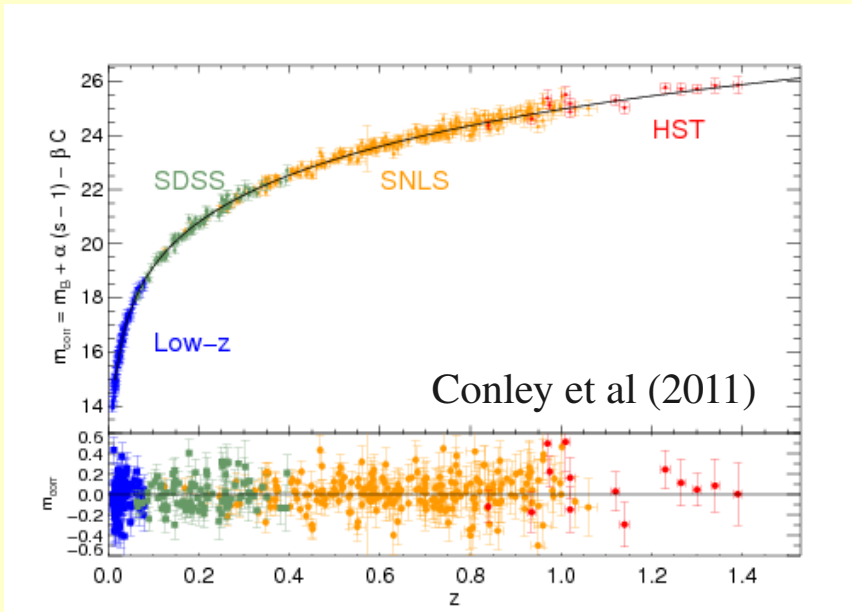
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z

By-product:  
“averaged” galaxy images

# Cosmology fits

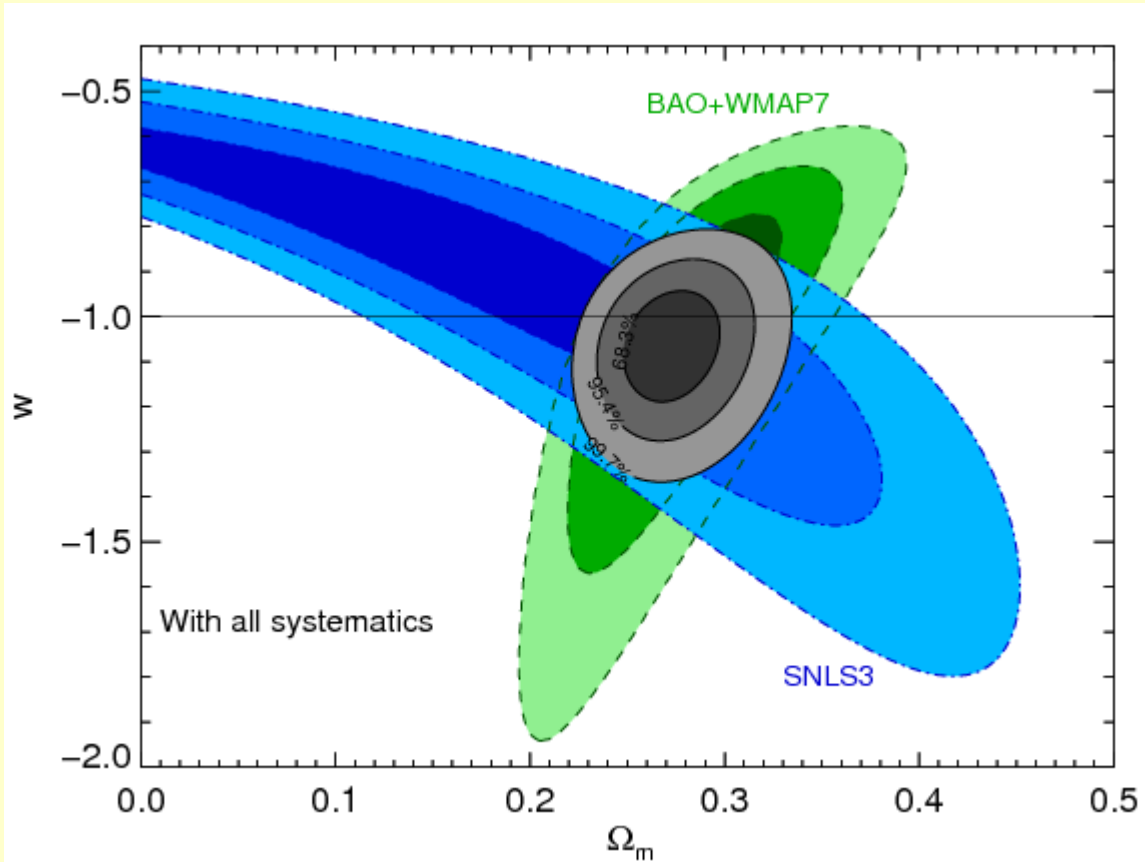


- For SNLS, cosmology fits may run on a desktop.
- Unlike essentially any cosmological analysis involving more than geometry.
- Computing the evolution of perturbations is CPU intensive, hence cosmology fits involving perturbations are CPU intensive.  
→ joint analyses with CMB could be expensive.

# Data reduction for SNLS : summary

- Modest amount of data by nowadays standards :  
few tens of Tb's
- Mixes I/O intensive and CPU intensive jobs.
- Algorithms require data to be on disk.
- Currently, our GPFS setup limits us to ~100 simultaneous jobs (i.e. 100 cores).
- The reduction typically takes a few weeks (+ problems)
- Scaling the data volume by 10 would require significant improvements in both hardware and software.





Regnault et al, 2009  
Guy et al, 2010  
Conley et al, 2011  
Sullivan et al, 2011

By the way,  
the expansion  
of the universe  
is accelerating