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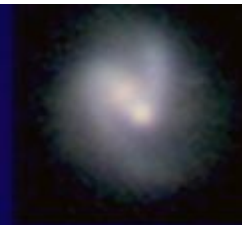
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# SNLS Collaboration



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- **Victoria Group:** Chris Pritchett\*, Don Neill, Dave Ballam
- **French Group:** Reynald Pain, Pierre Astier, Julien Guy, Nicolas Regnault, Jim Rich, Stephane Basa
- **Follow-up Collaborators:**
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  - **LBL:** Saul Perlmutter & Peter Nugent (**Keck**)
  - **Caltech:** Richard Ellis\* (**Keck**)
  - **Carnegie:** Wendy Freedman\*, Mark Phillips (**Magellan**)
- **PLUS many students and associates**

• \* **CIAR**

# Complementary Approaches



- CMB:  $P(k)$  in linear regime
- Gravitational lensing:
  - $P(k, a)$  nonlinear
- Galaxy (& other baryons) clustering:  $P(k)$
- Galaxy Cluster counts: growth of  $P(k)$
- Supernovae: pure distance



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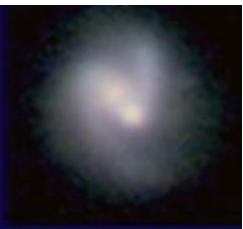


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$$H^2(z) = H_0^2 [\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_R (1+z)^2 + \Omega_\Lambda (1+z)^{3(1+w)}],$$

with  $1 = \Omega_M + \Omega_R + \Omega_\Lambda$ ,

where  $\Omega$ 's are  $\rho$ 's ratioed to critical

Observable Distance (from flux)

$$r = \int c / H(z) dz$$

infer  $w$ .



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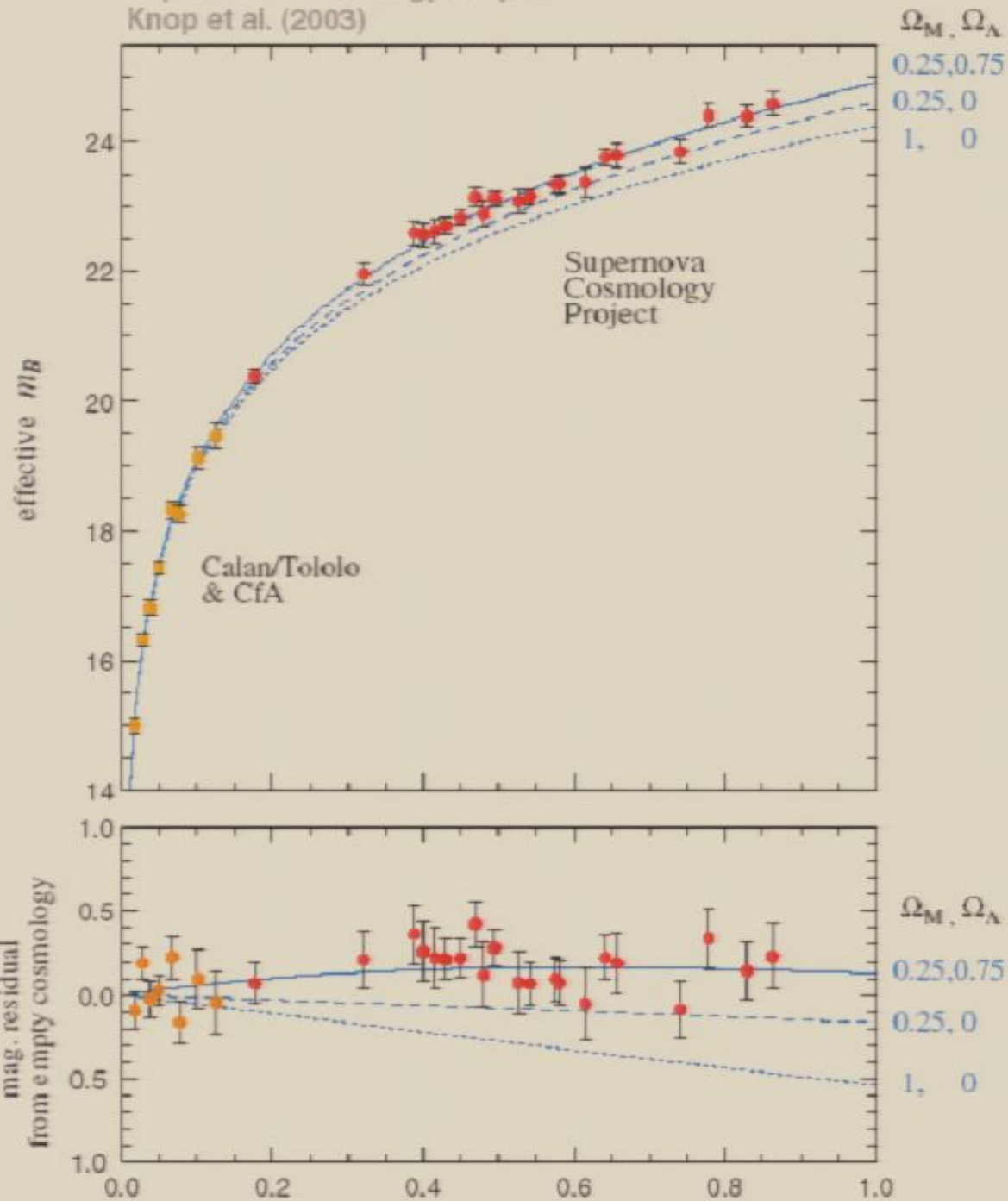


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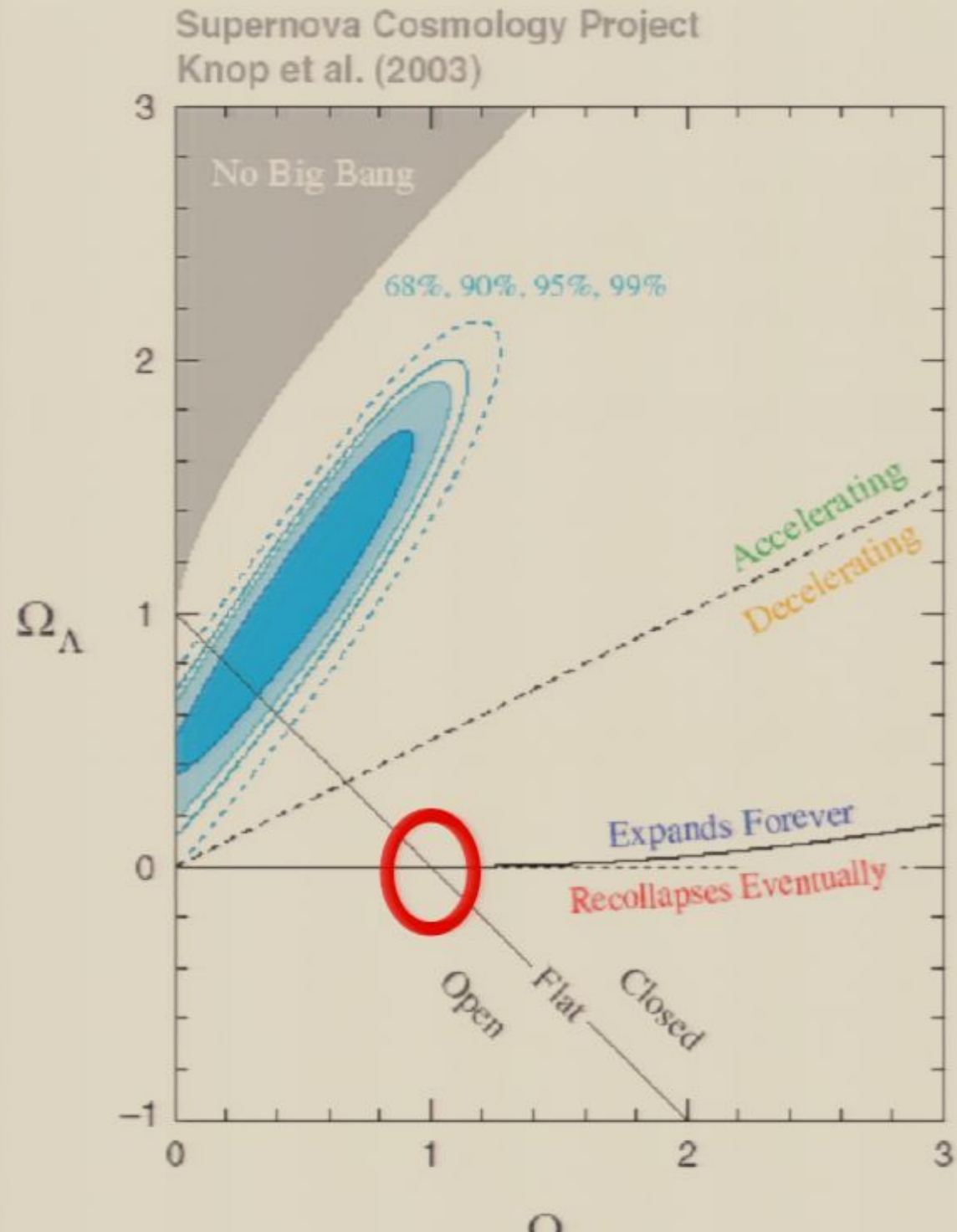


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- $\text{Ni}^{56}$  decay powers light curve
  - About as bright as a typical galaxy for weeks

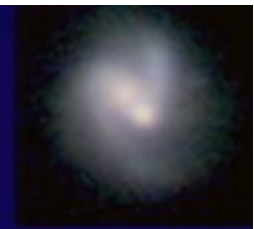
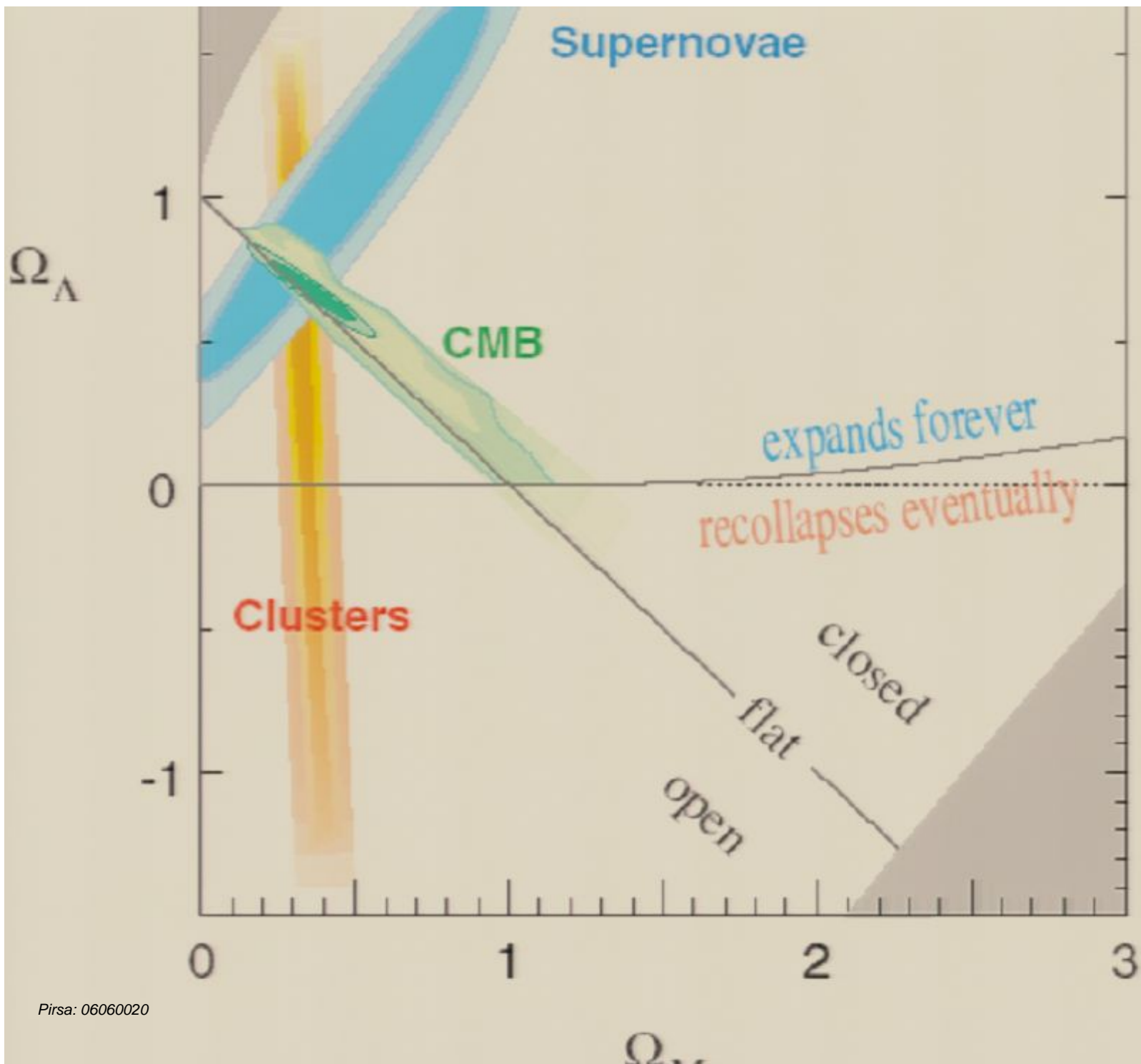
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Reiss et al  
obtained an  
identical result  
First reports in  
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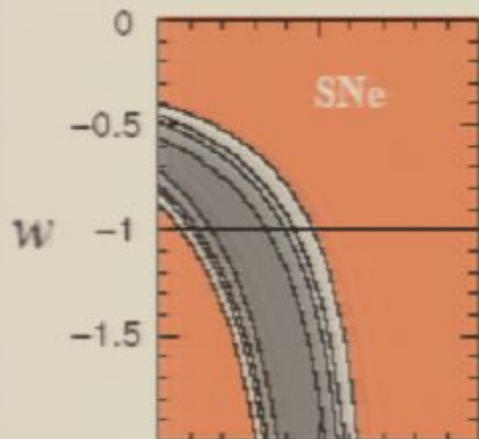
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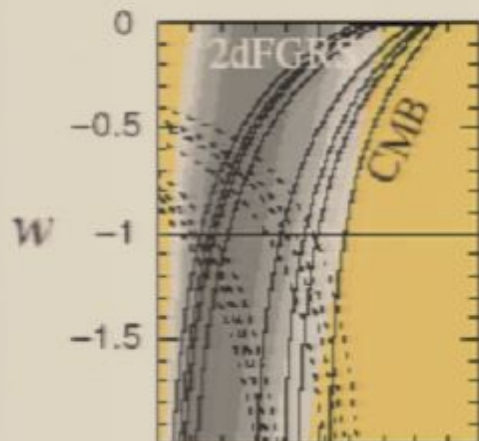
- Friedmann eqn  $P/\rho = w$
- For a cosmological constant  $w=-1$ .
- Big rip if  $w<-1$ .
- Various field models have  $-1<w<-0.7$
- Original quintessence had  $w\sim-0.8$ .



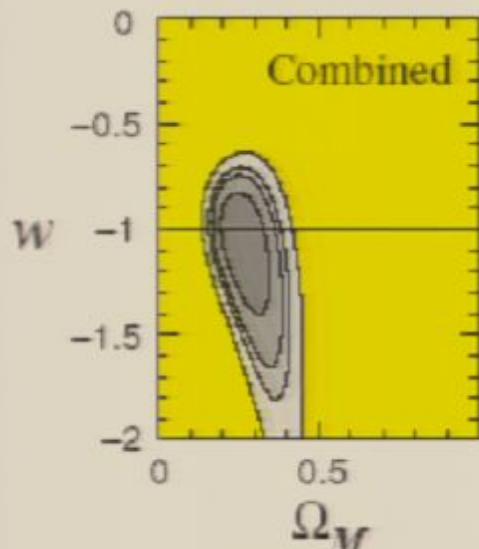
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*Assuming constant w*



With limits from;  
2dFGRS (Hawkins *et al.* 2002)  
and CMB (Bennet *et al.* 2003,  
Spergel *et al.* 2003)



$$w = -1.05^{+0.15}_{-0.20} \text{ (statistical)}$$

$$\pm 0.09 \text{ (systematic)}$$

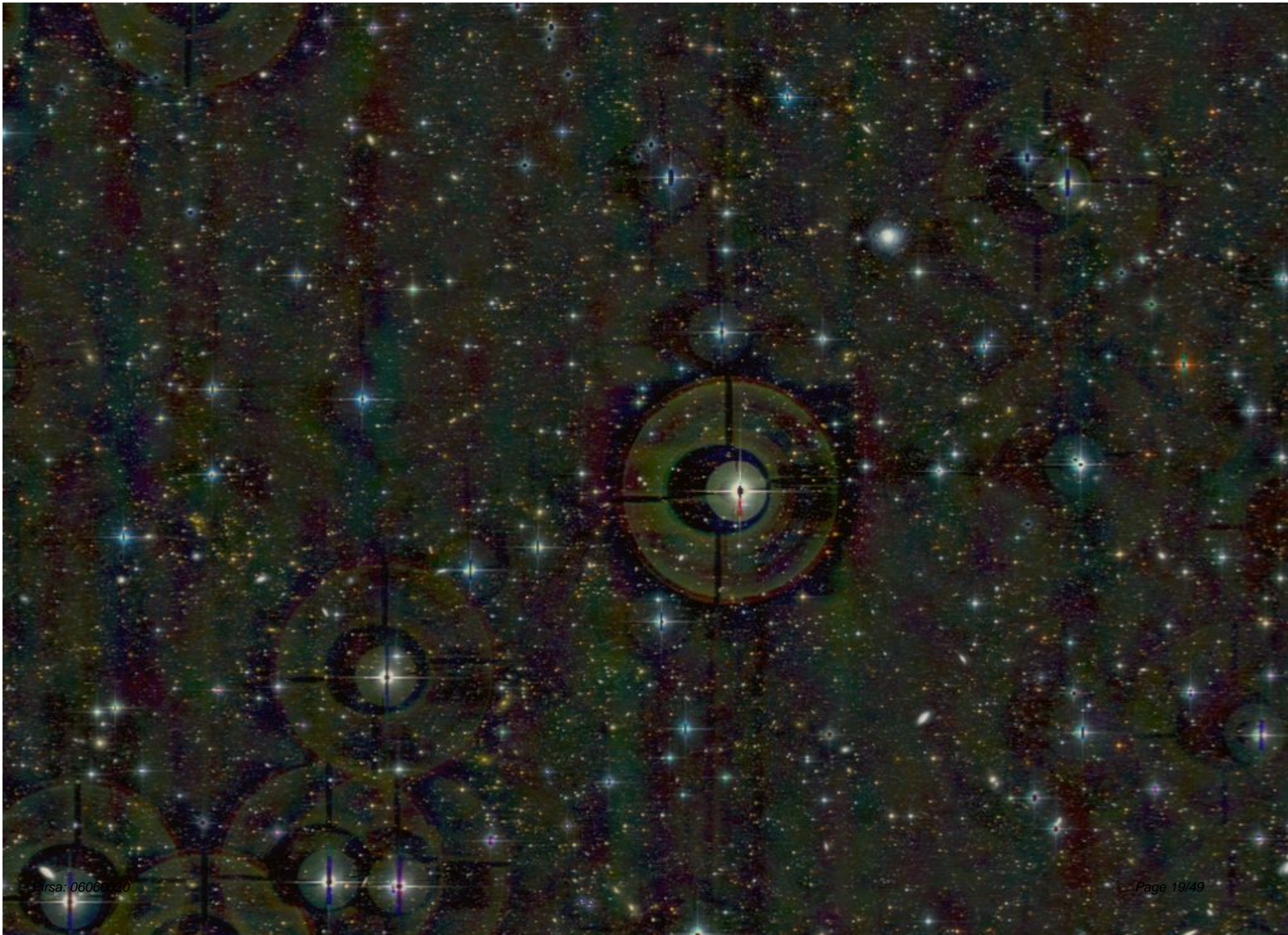


# SNLS goals



- A measurement of  $w$  good to 5%
  - Discriminates between current theories
  - Comparable to complementary data ~2008
- Requires:
  - More data (500+ supernova of type Ia)
  - Better data
    - More colours
    - Better sampling of rise and fall of supernova light

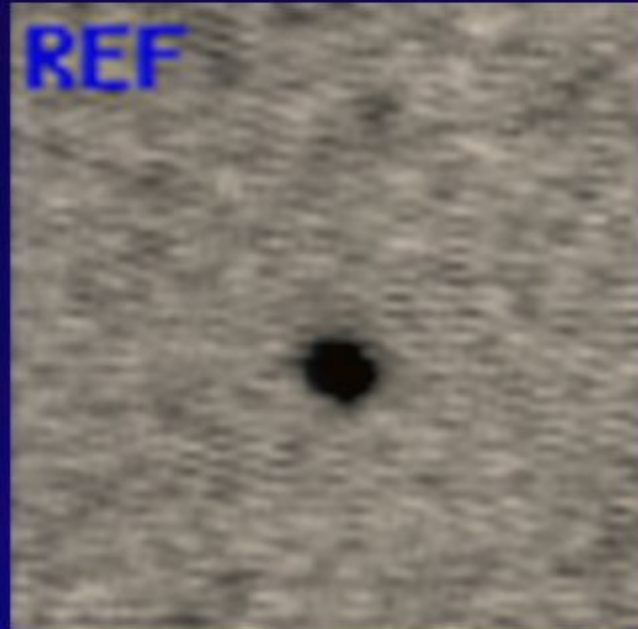






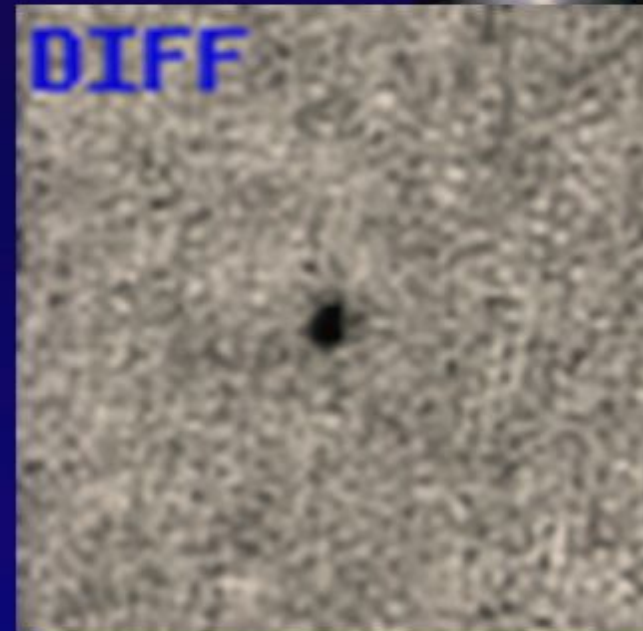
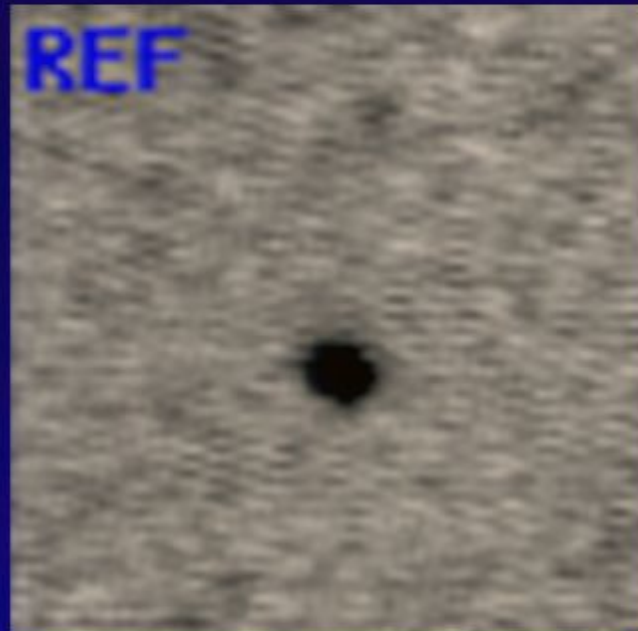
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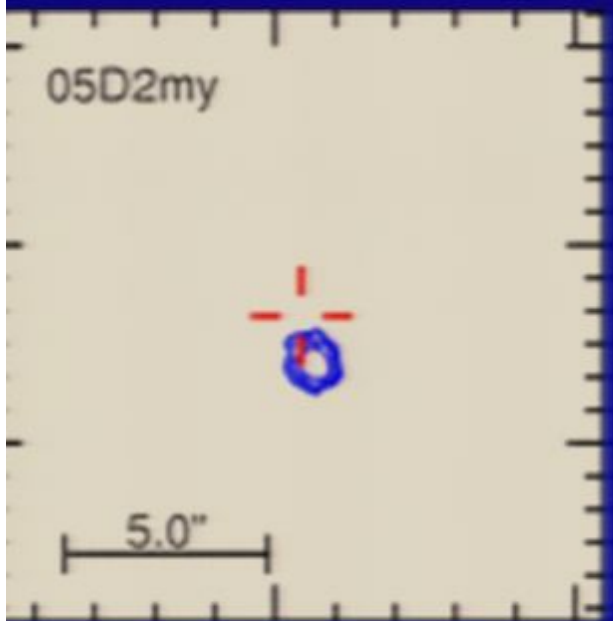
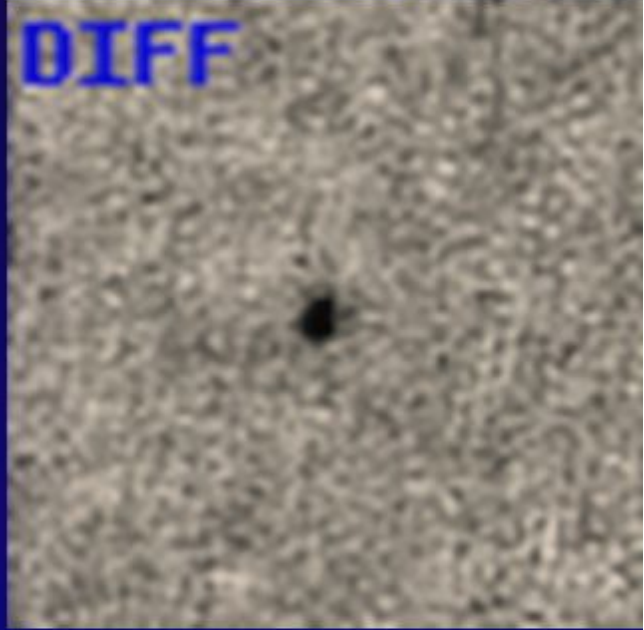
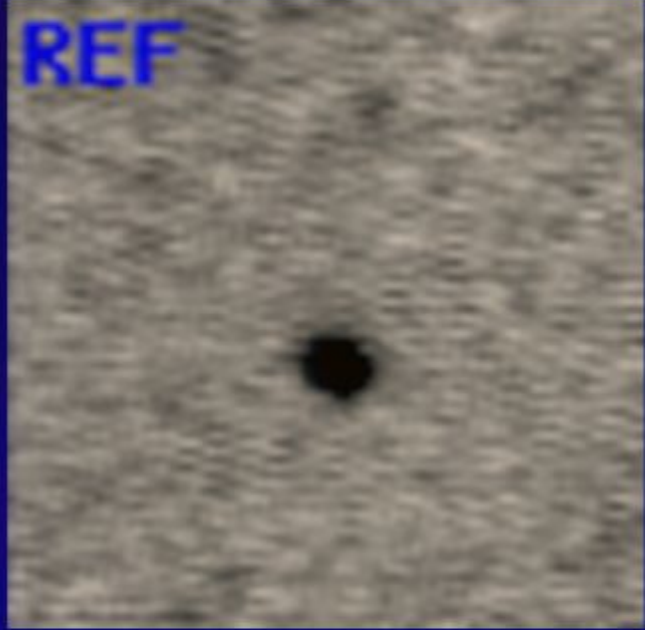
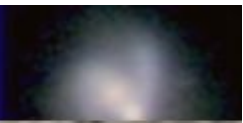


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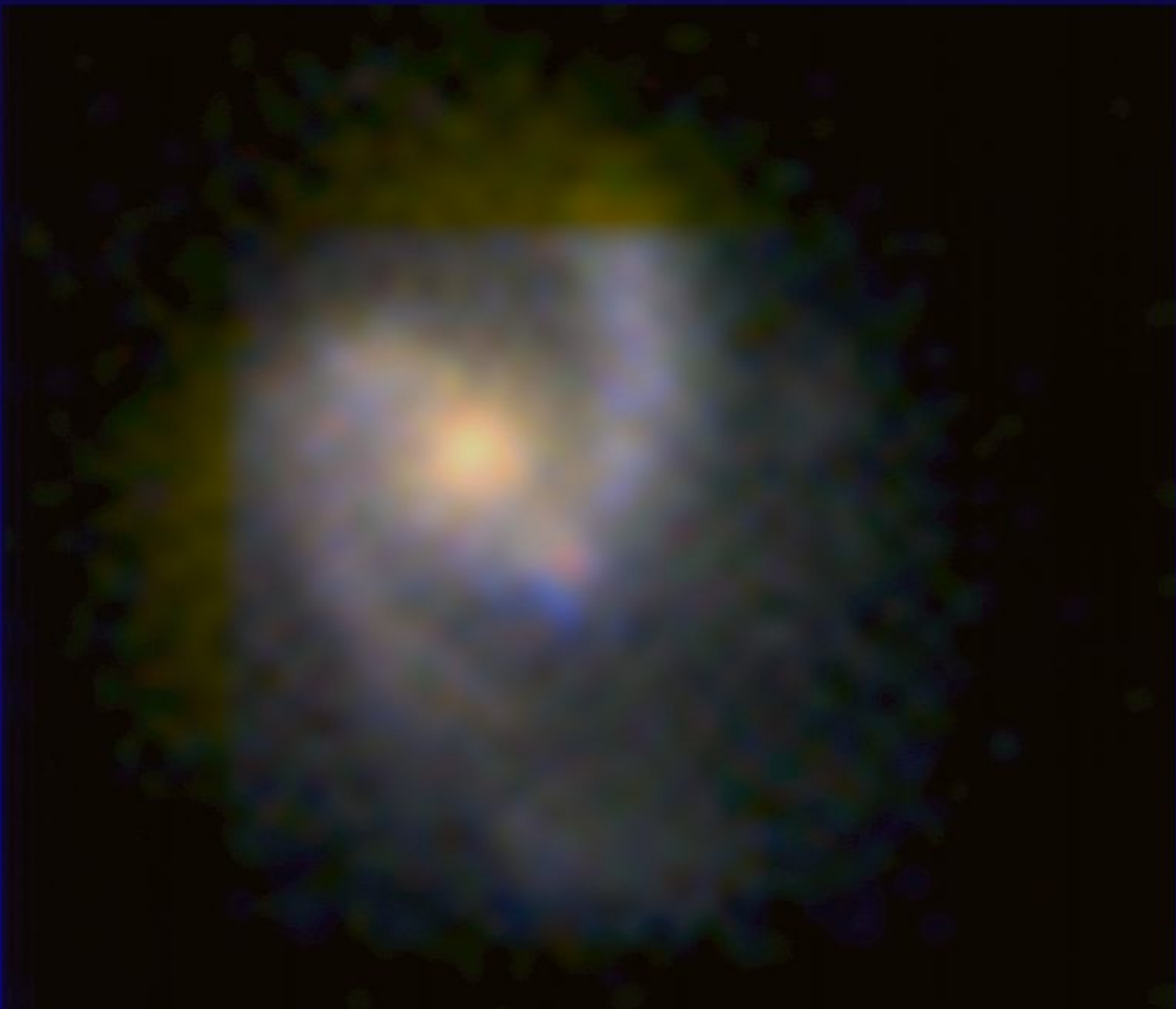


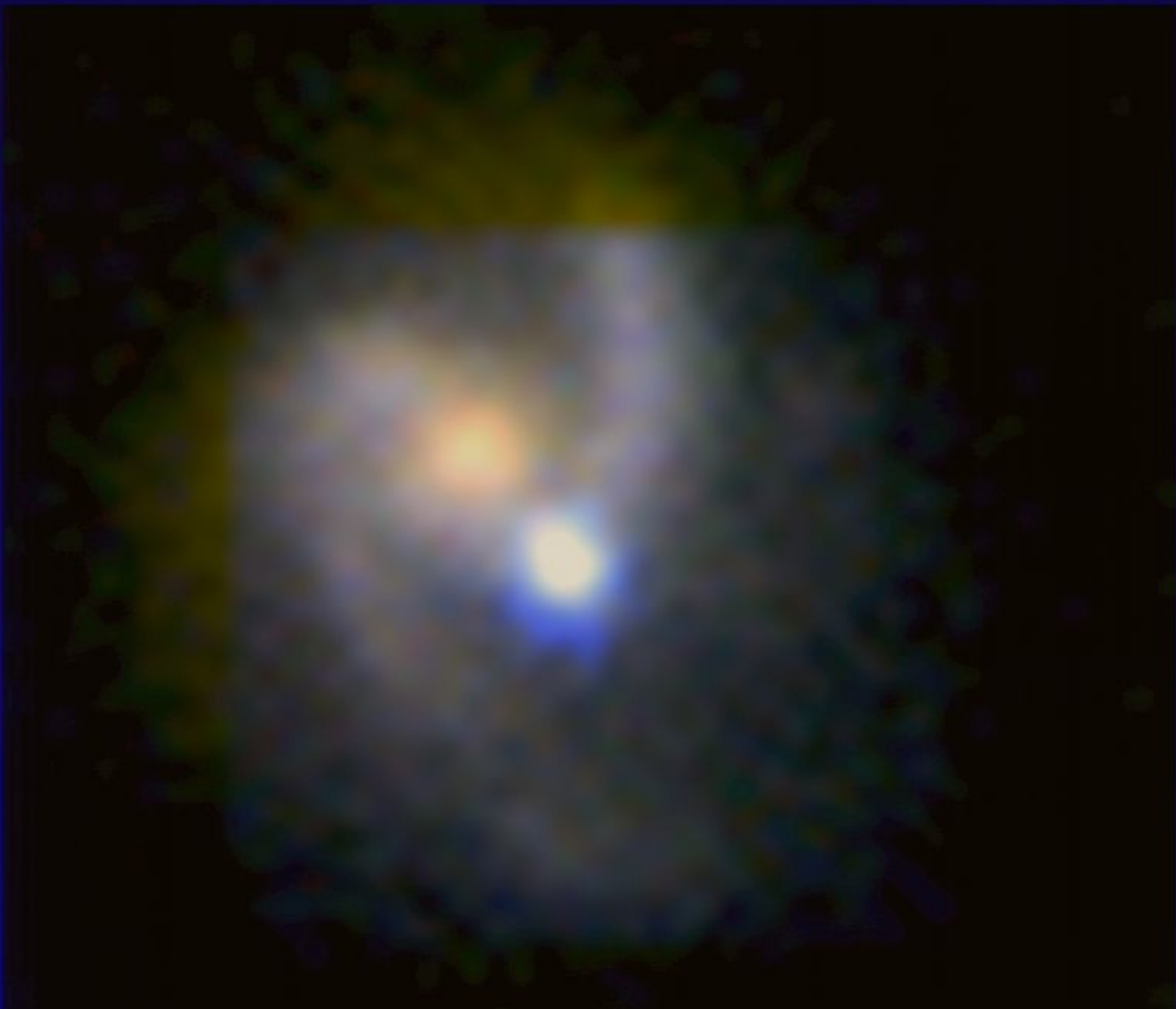


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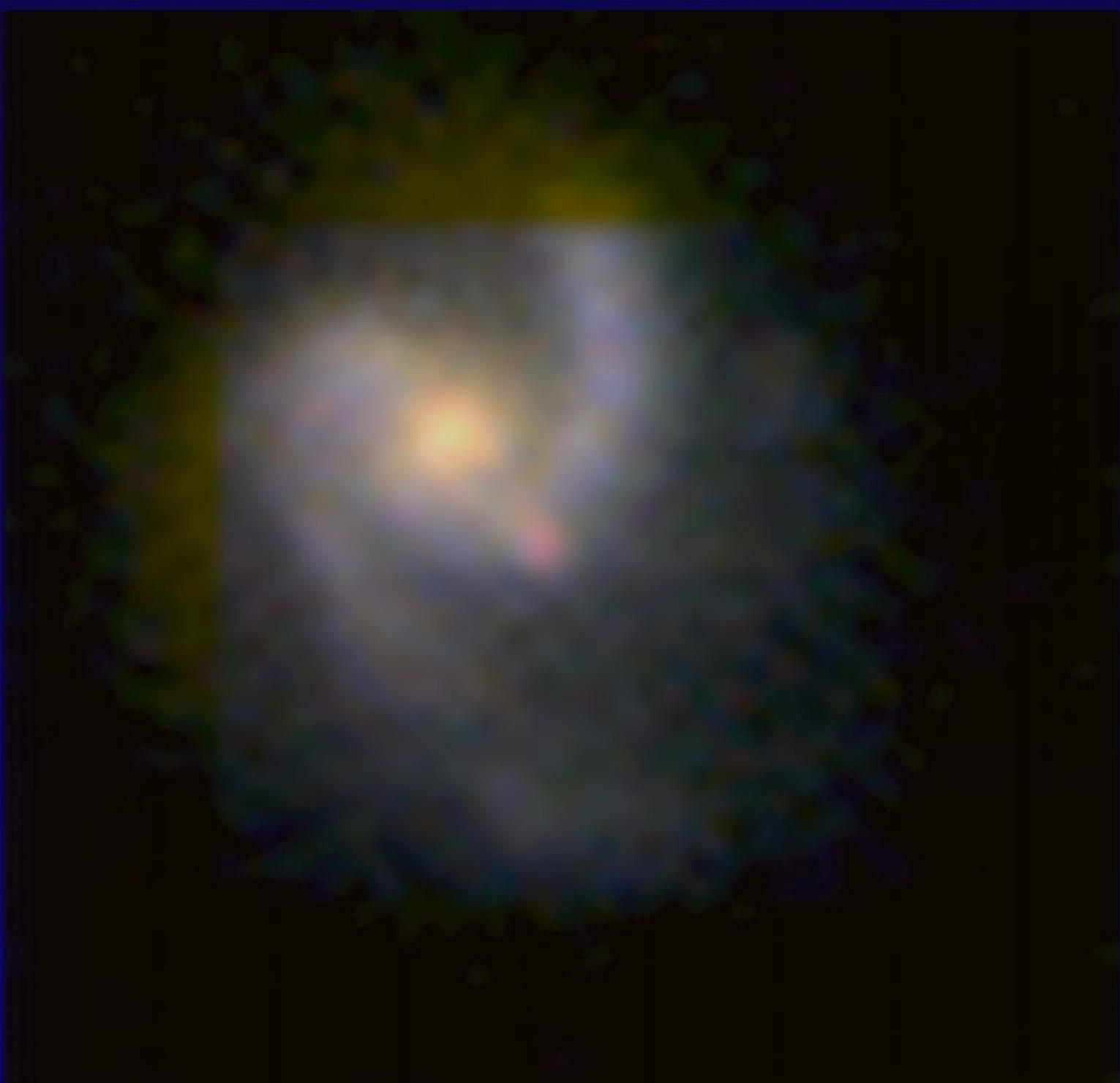


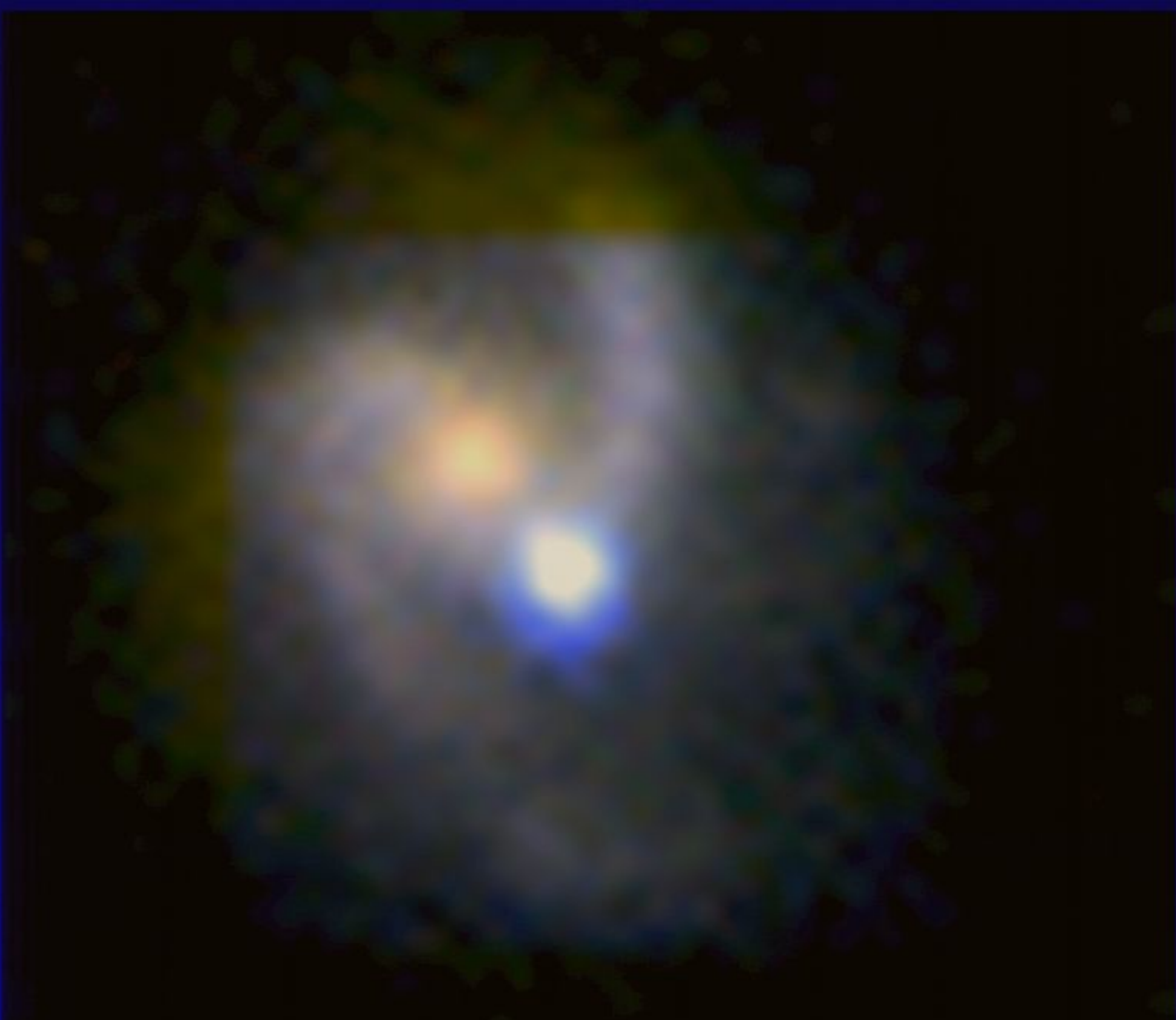
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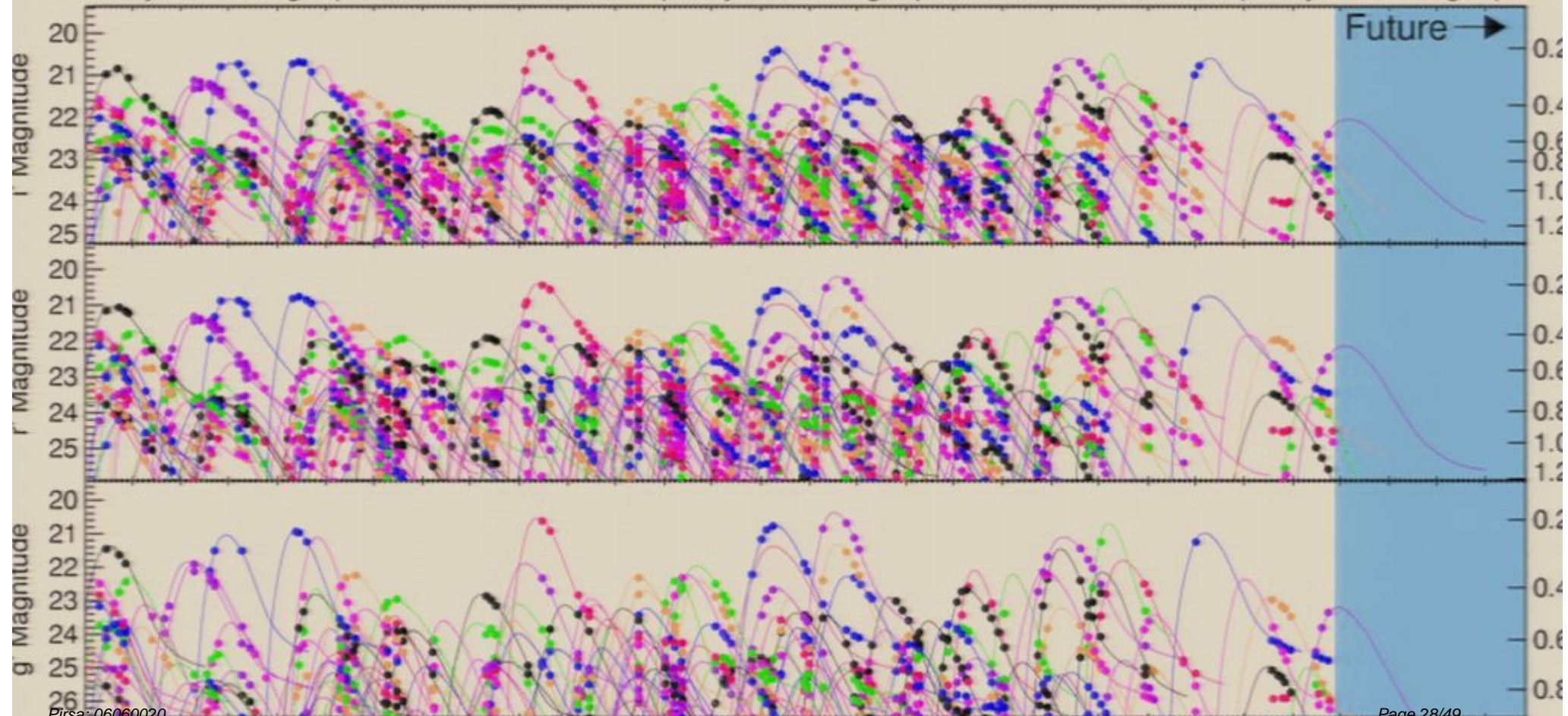




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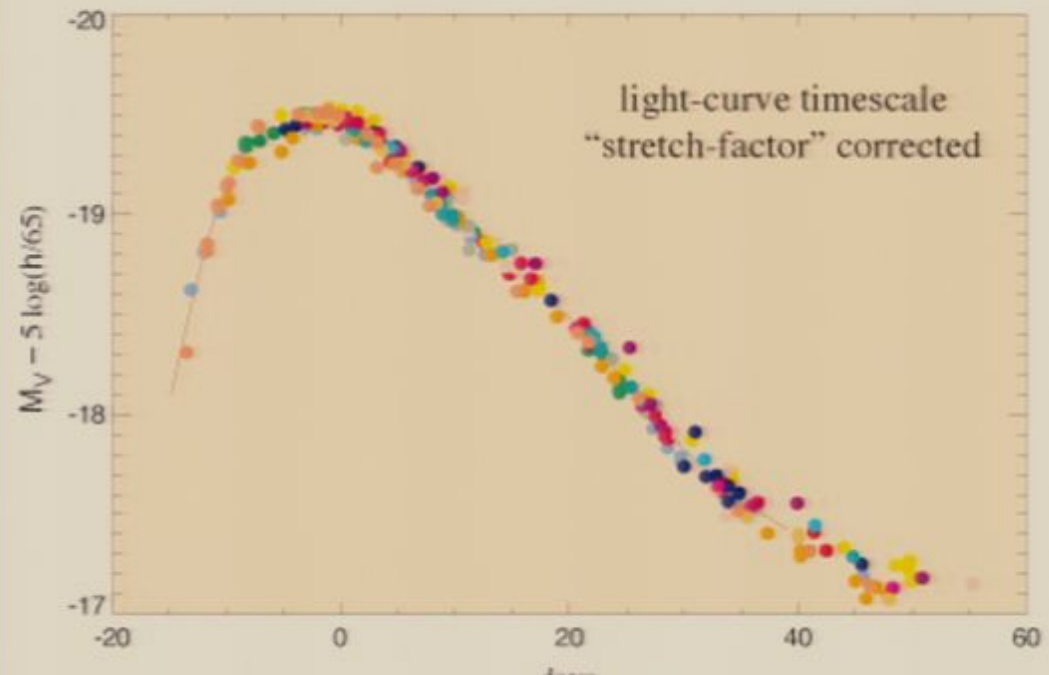
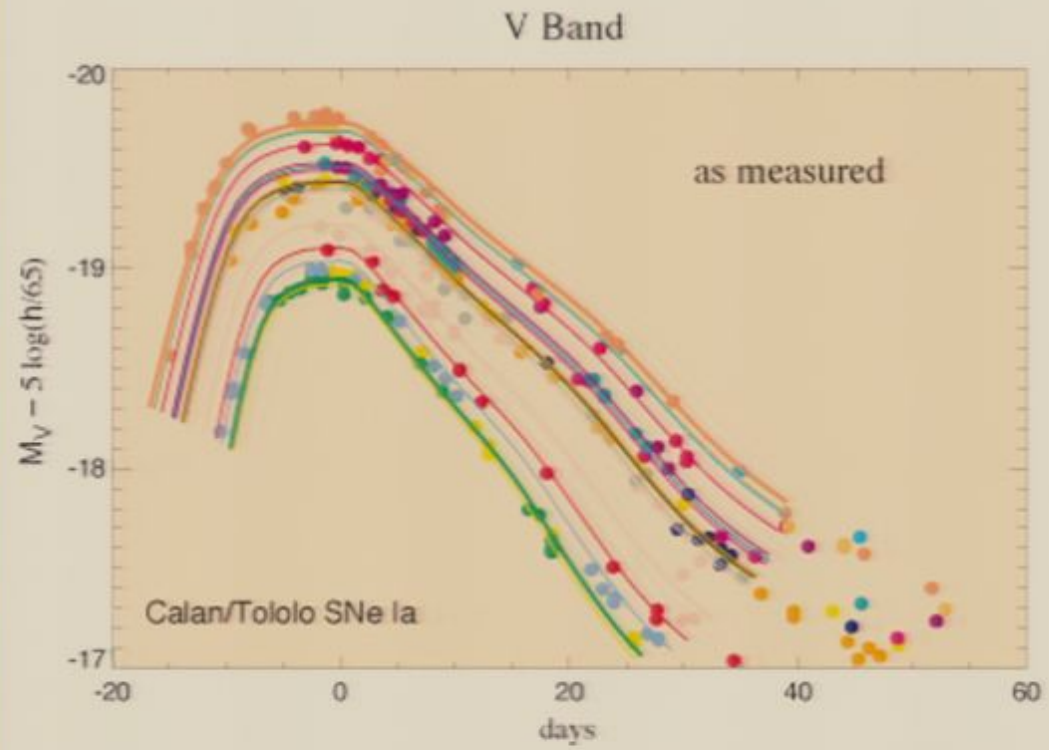
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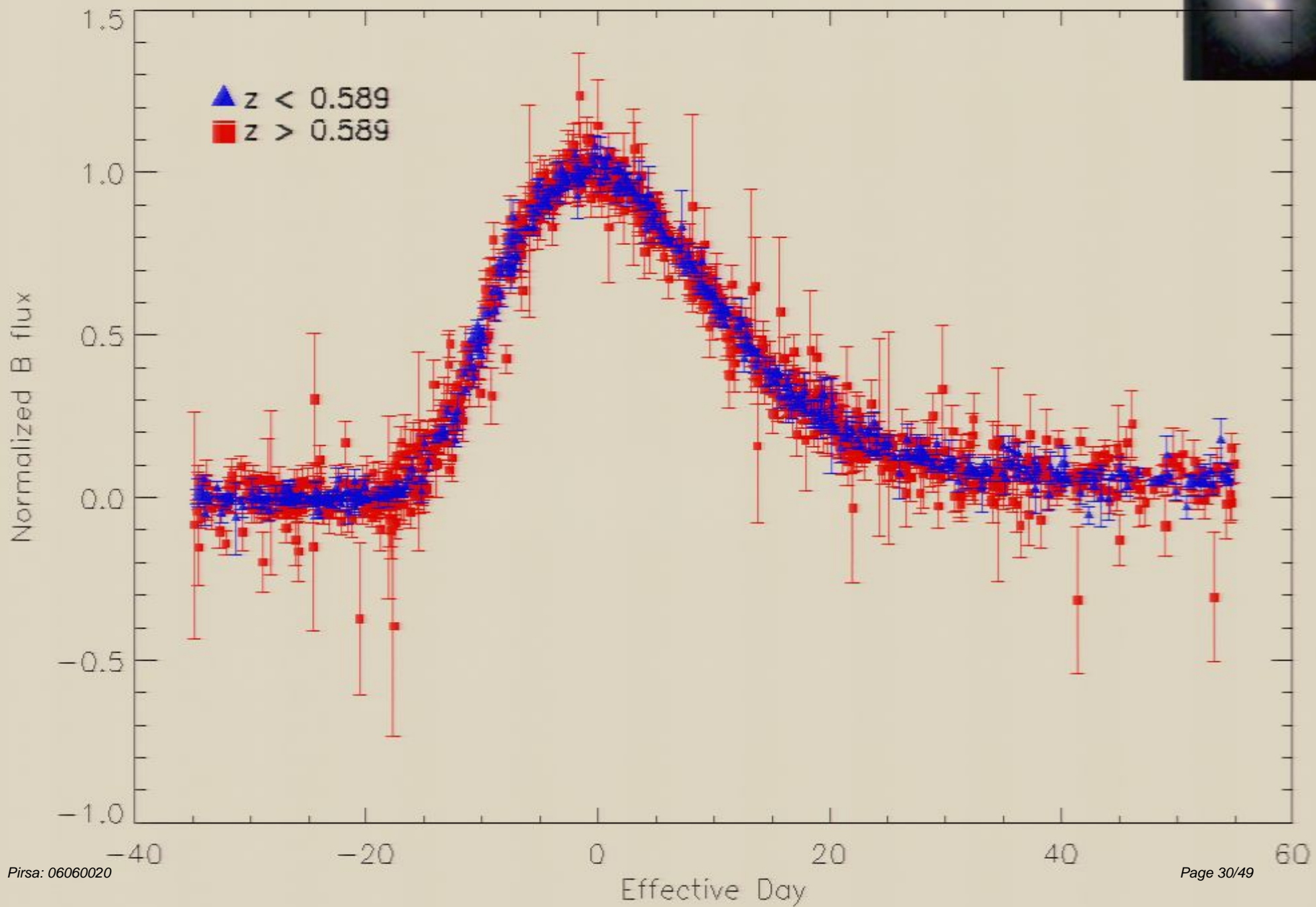
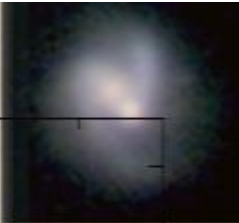


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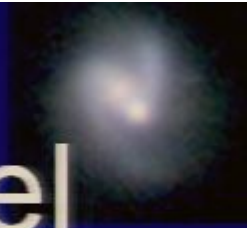
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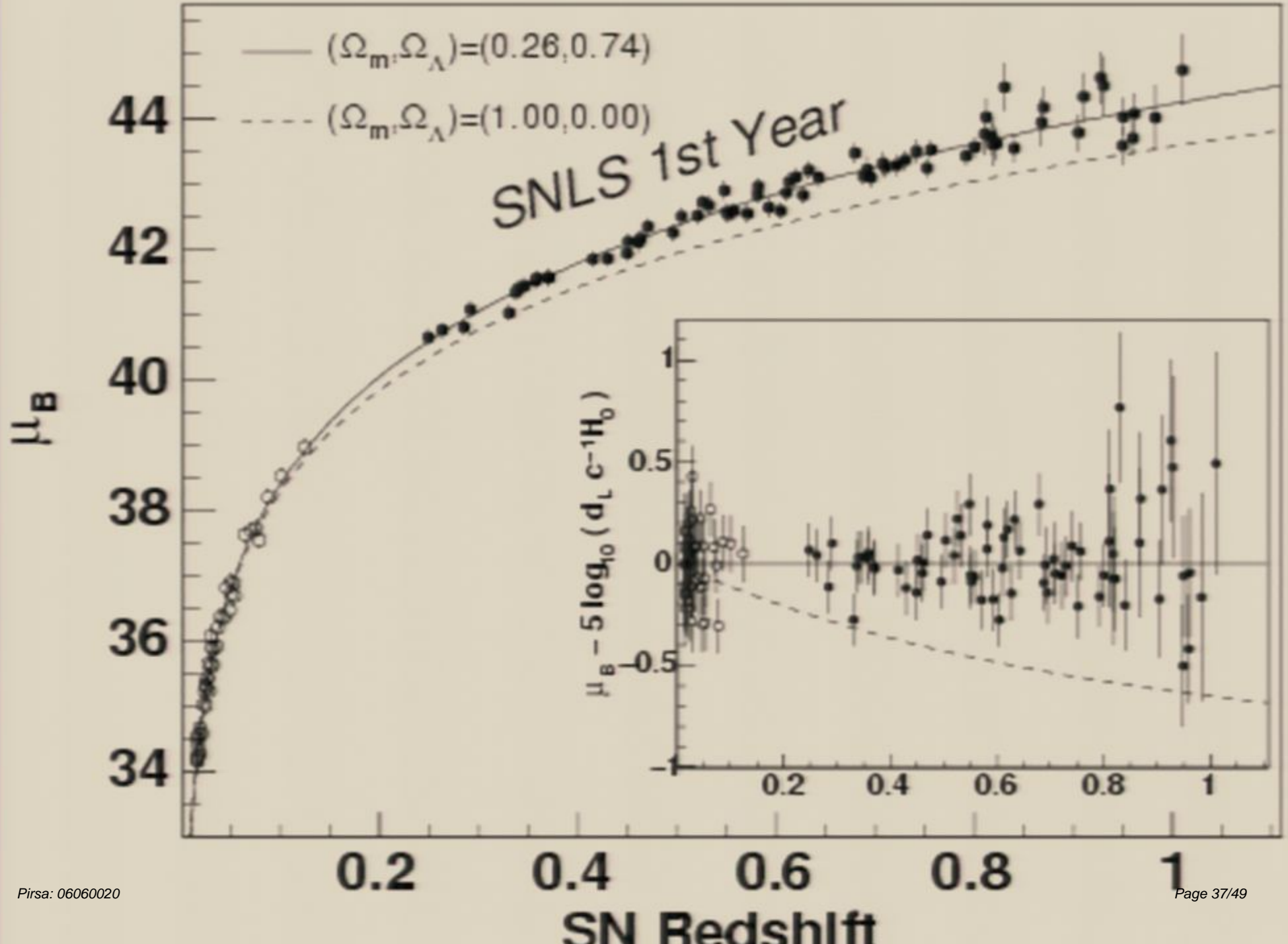


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- Fit 2 (or 3) cosmology parameters plus 3 supernova parameters: leaves  $\chi^2$  per dof about 2.  $\chi^2=1$  requires  $\sigma_{\text{int}} = 0.14$  magnitudes (i.e. last 14% jitter not yet understood)

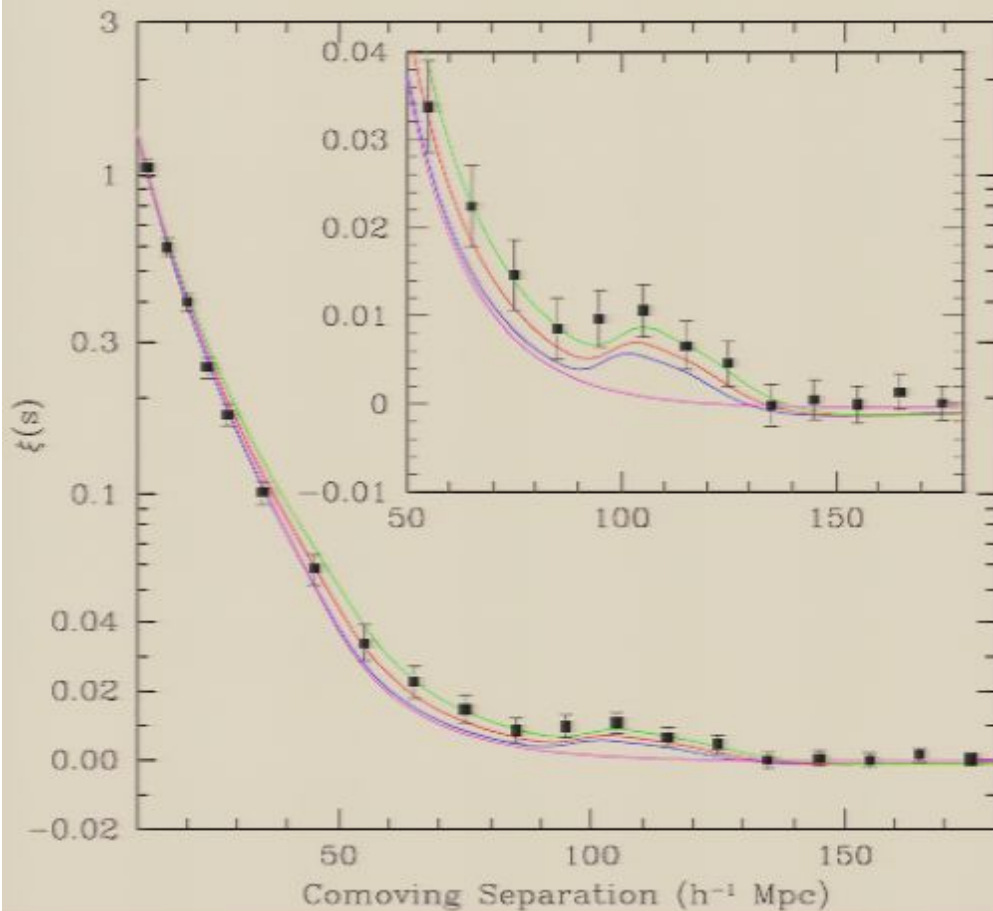








# The Baryon Acoustic Oscillation scale



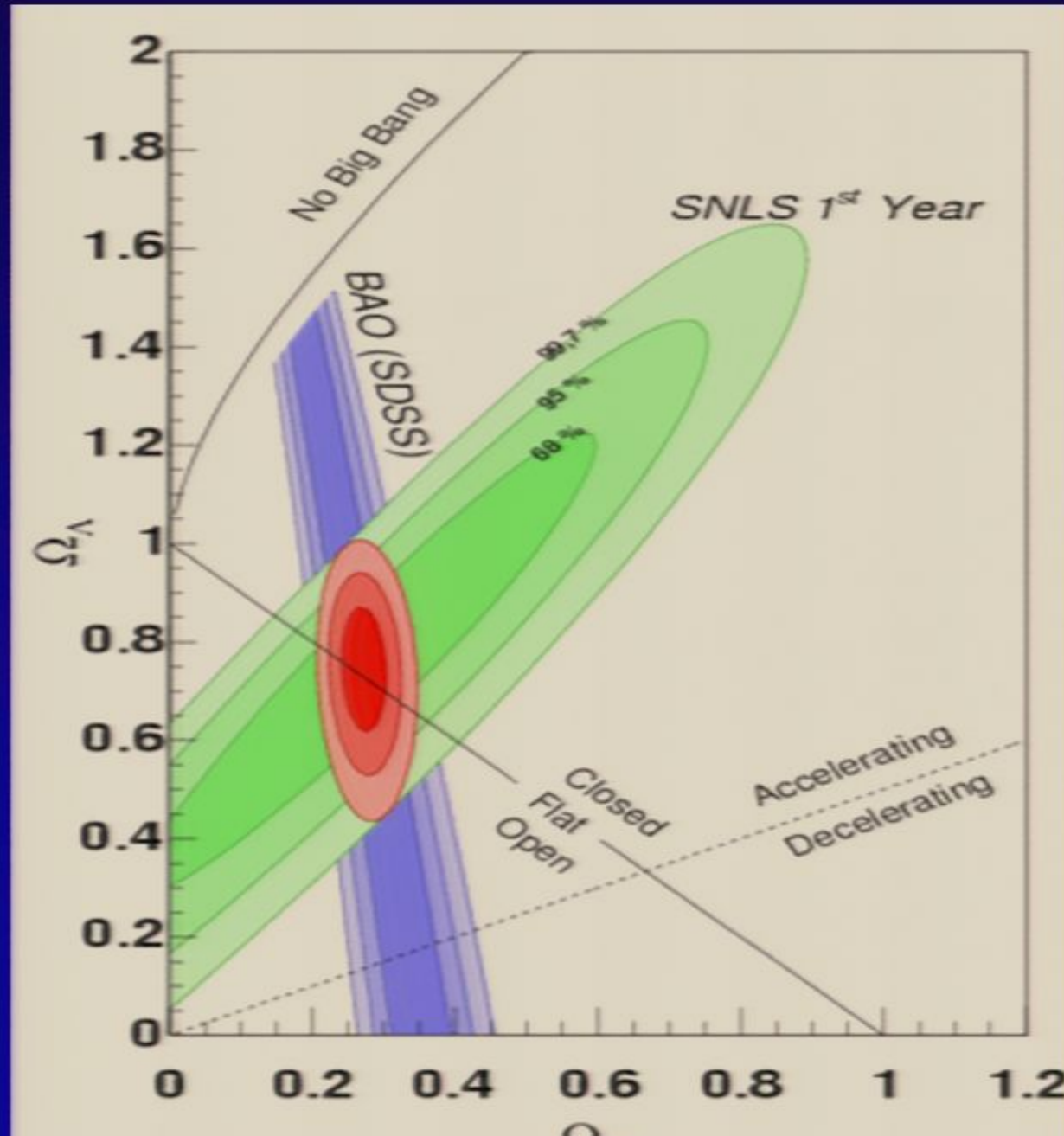
Data provides an angular scale which measures the ratio of the distances to the SDSS galaxies at  $z=0.35$  and the CMB at  $z=1089$

We use  $A=0.469 \pm 0.017$

$$R_{0.35} \equiv \frac{D_V(0.35)}{D_M(1089)}$$

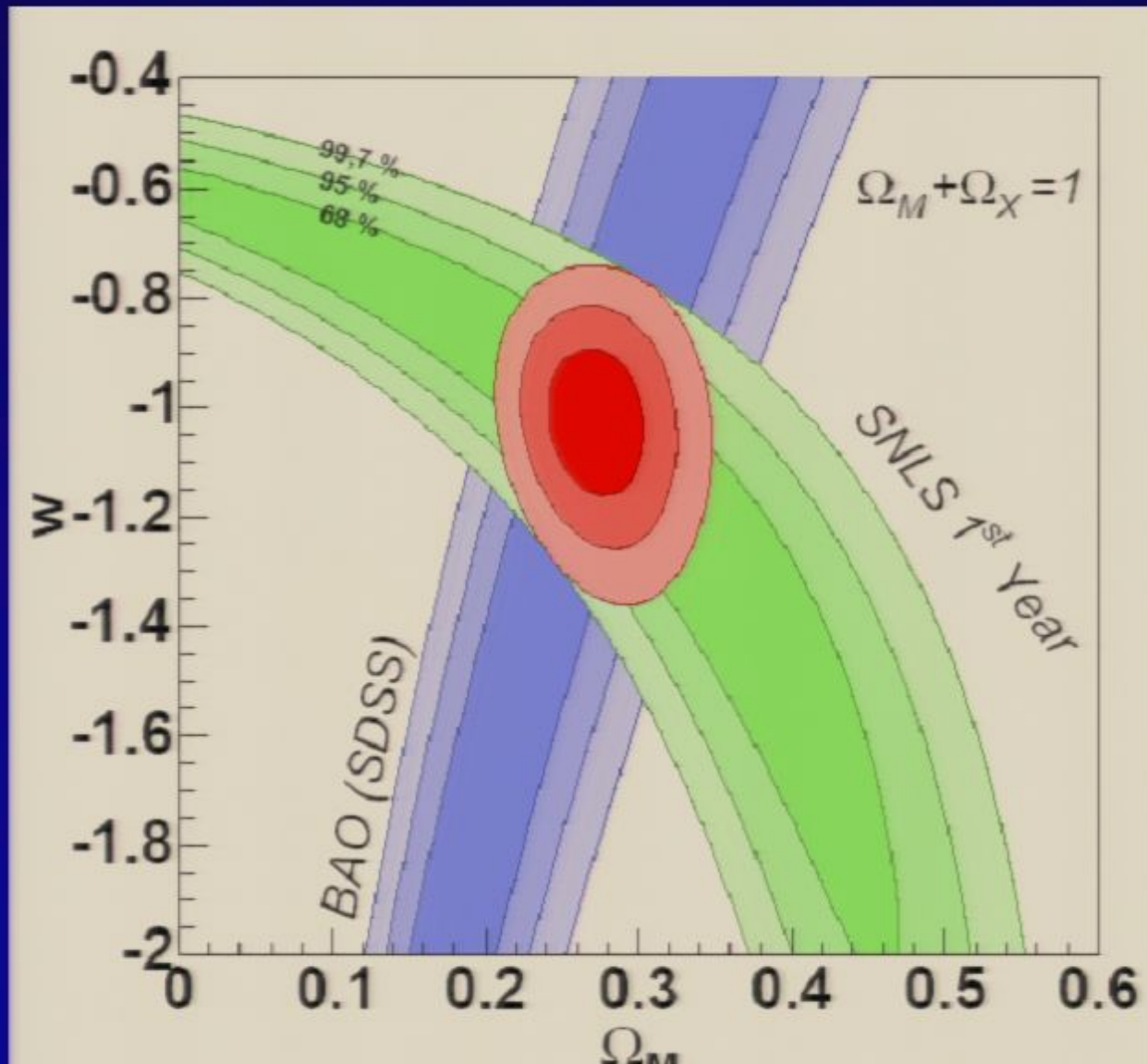
$$A = \sqrt{\Omega_m} E(z_1)^{-1/3} \left[ \frac{1}{c} \int_{z_1}^{\infty} \frac{dz}{E(z)} \right]^{2/3}$$

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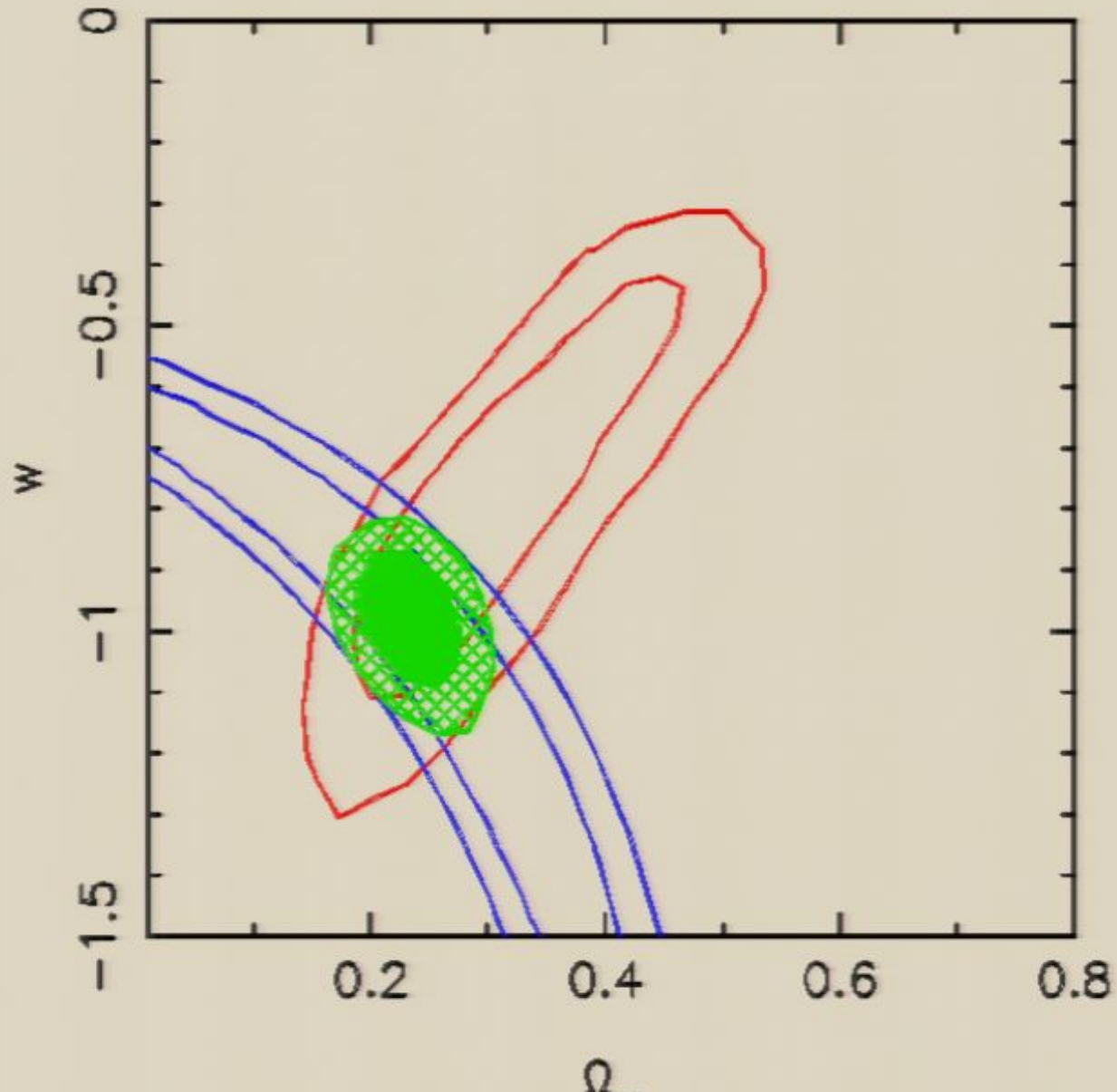


# Sne la plus BAO

$w = -1.02 \pm 0.09$  (stat)



# With 3<sup>rd</sup> year WMAP





# Systematic Errors Checks



- **No colour** residual
  - (there is a **distance-colour** relation at  $z > 0.8$ )
  - (very noisy photometry at  $z > 0.8$ )
- **No “stretch”** residual, yet
- **No significant malmquist** bias
- Independent analyses confirm “clean” data
- But, upcoming data is much better.
  - Better sampling in time and colour
  - Lower noise for z band
  - Calibration improvements

# The Motivation for variable $w$

- Widely used model for Dark Energy (and inflation) is a quantum scalar field,  $\phi(x,t)$ .
- Energy density,  $\rho = \frac{1}{2} [\dot{\phi}]^2 + V(\phi)$ .
- Pressure,  $P = \frac{1}{2} [\dot{\phi}]^2 - V(\phi)$ .
- $w = P/\rho$  is near -1 for slowly varying  $\phi$ .

$$w = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi)}{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi)}$$

# Empirical fit for $w(z)$

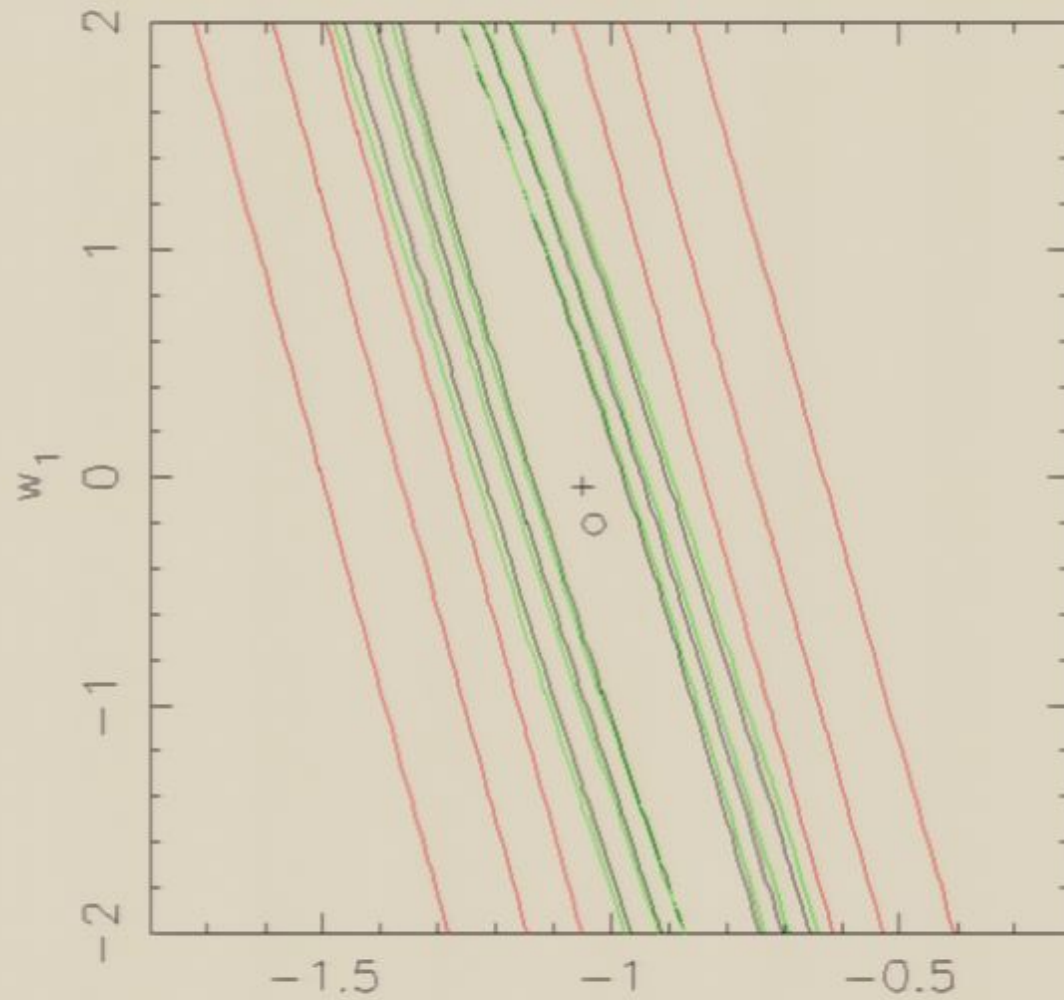


- $w(a) = w_0 + w_1 (1-a)$ ,  $a = 1/(1+z)$ 
  - Integrated in Friedmann equation





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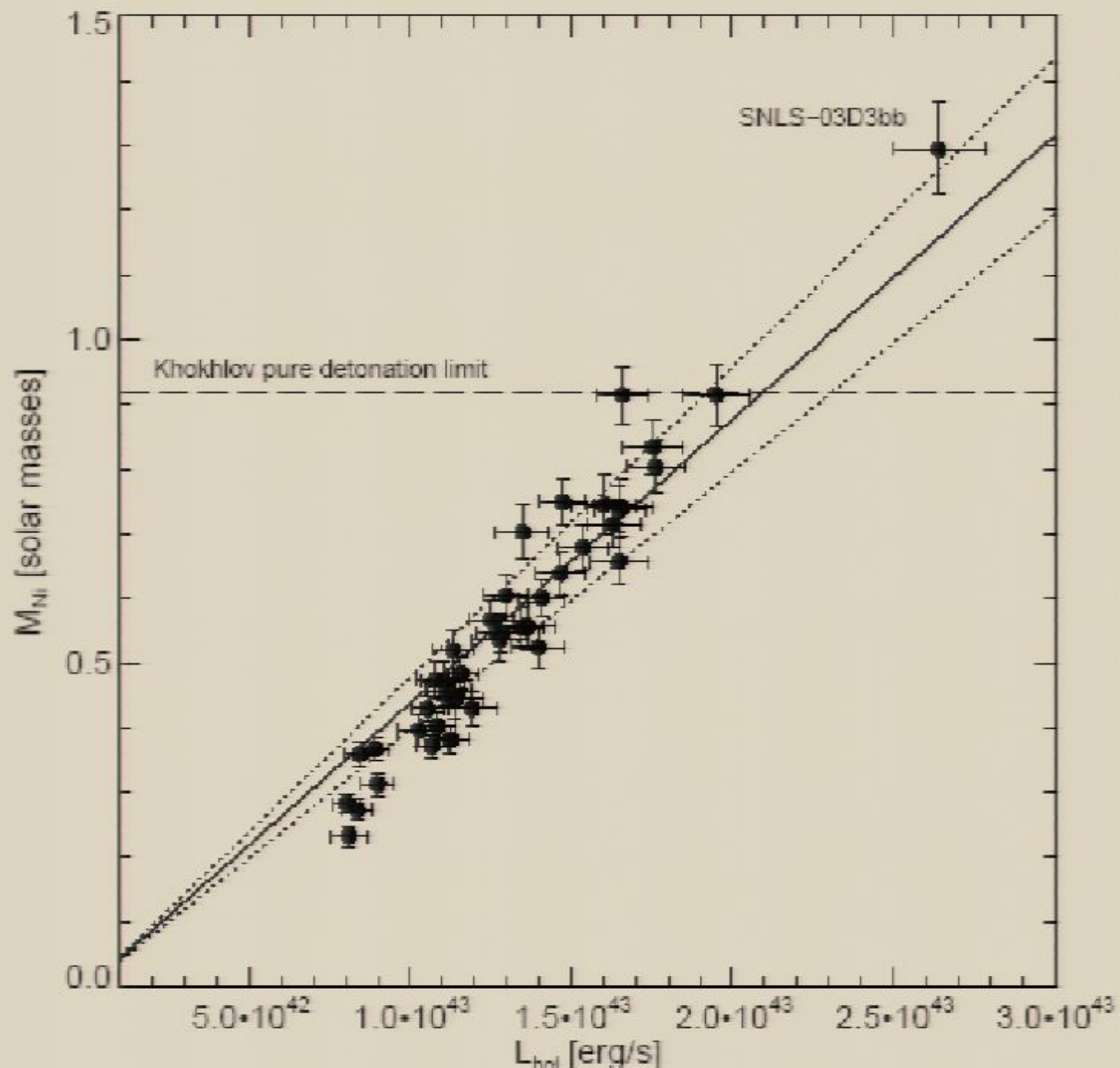




# Supernova themselves



- Many supernovae from young, small galaxies:
  - Linear model
  - Rate =  $A * (\text{Stellar Mass}) + B * (\text{Star formation rate})$
  - “B term” dominates beyond about  $z \sim 0.5$
  - Suggests many high  $z$  Ia.



# Where do we go from here?



- Third year results should be prepared in the early fall (data acquisition continues to July)
- Better BAO constraints (next year)
  - SDSS spectroscopy (x2)
  - SDSS/2dF photometric (~x1)
- Future photometric surveys 2011 reports?
  - Variable  $w_1$  to ~0.3?

# Conclusions



- Current data consistent with constant DE
  - $w = -1.02 \pm 0.09$
- Systematic errors are the challenge.
- New results coming: “3<sup>rd</sup> year” analysis