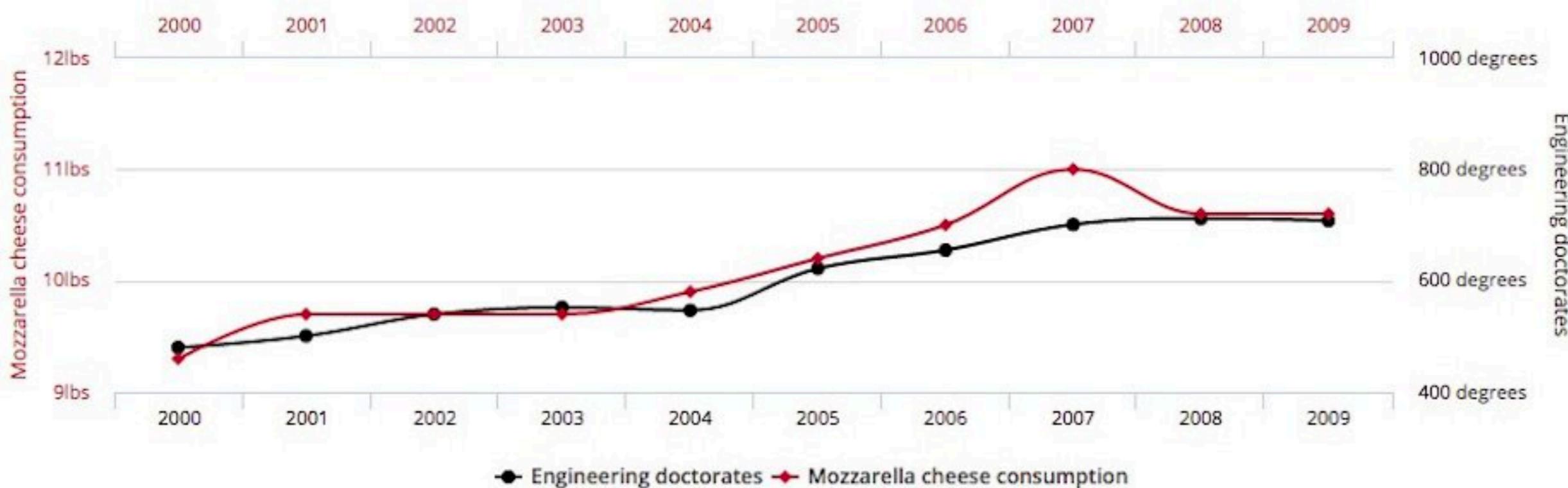


Per capita consumption of mozzarella cheese correlates with Civil engineering doctorates awarded



Correlation: 95.86% ($r=0.958648$)

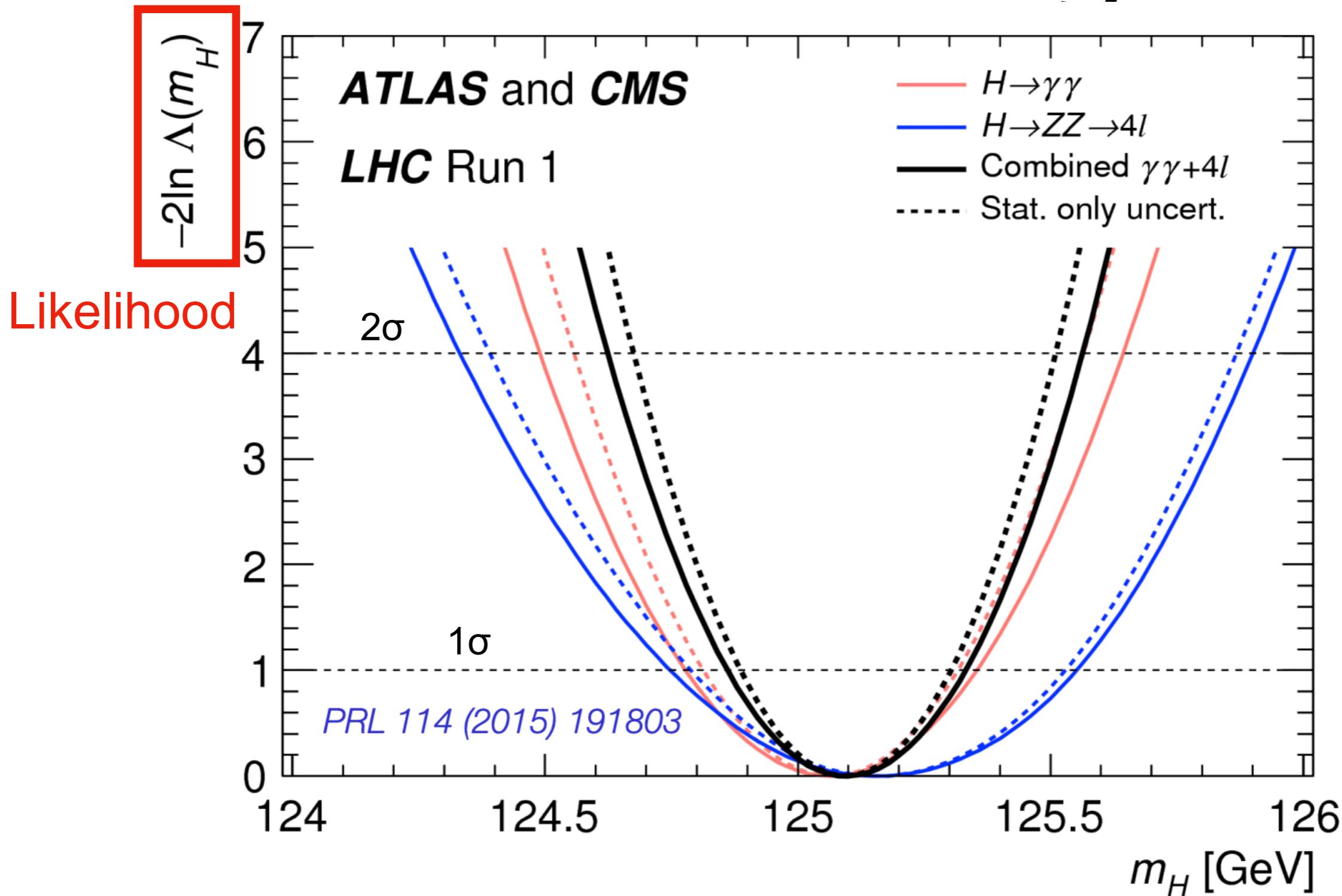


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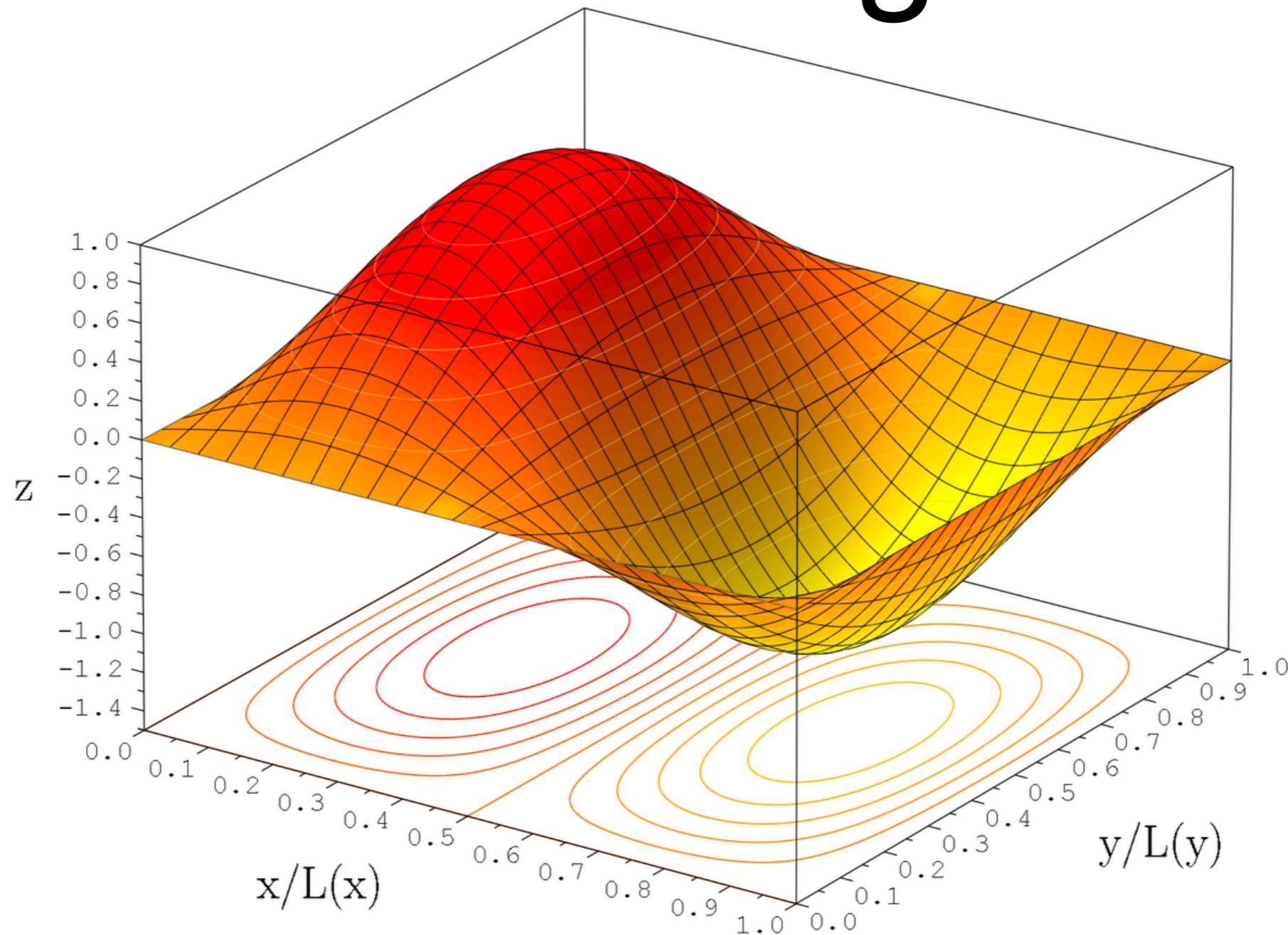
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Lecture 7: Correlations

Understanding Best Fit

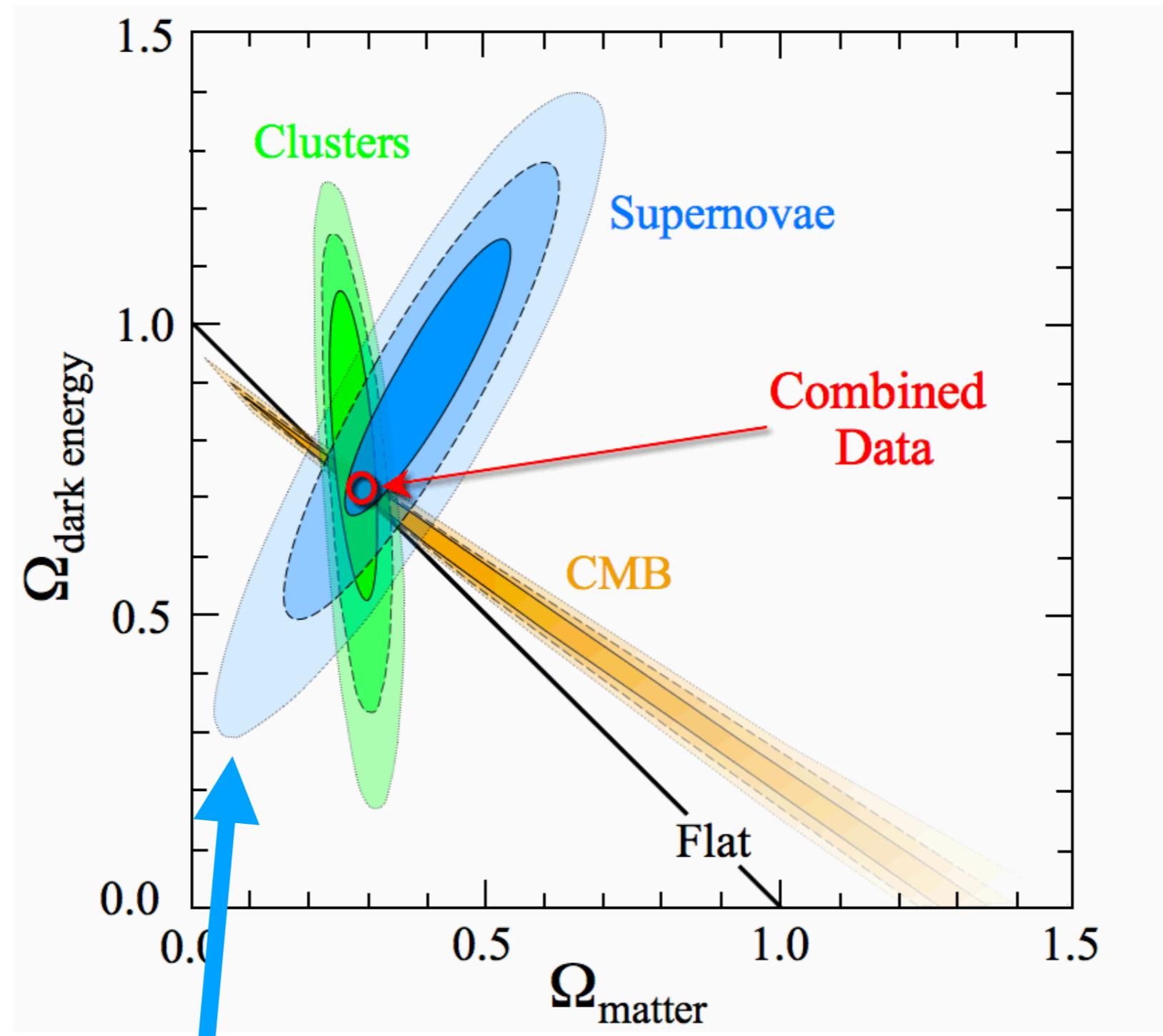


Minimizing A Surface



- How do we get to the minimum of that

Making a 2D Minima



How Can we make the contours on the supernova data?

Friedmann Equations

$$\left(\frac{h}{h_0}\right)^2 = (\Omega_m + \Omega_{\text{DM}})a^{-3} + \Omega_r a^{-4} + \Omega_k a^{-2} + \Omega_\Lambda$$

$$1 = (\Omega_m + \Omega_{\text{DM}}) + \Omega_r + \Omega_k + \Omega_\Lambda$$

Formula at time now

$$1 = \Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda \text{ or } \Omega_\Lambda = 1 - \Omega_M$$

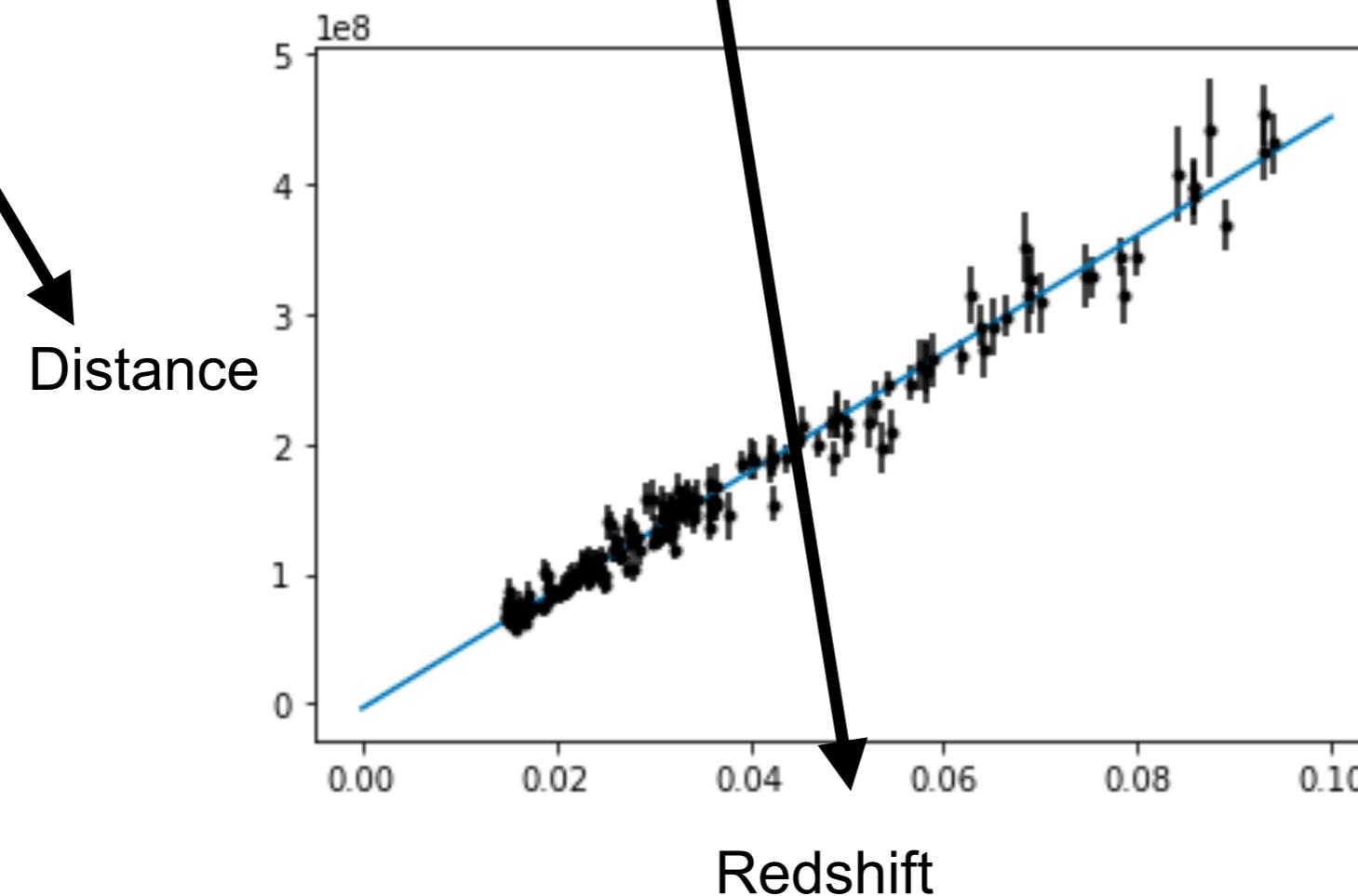


Removing Terms

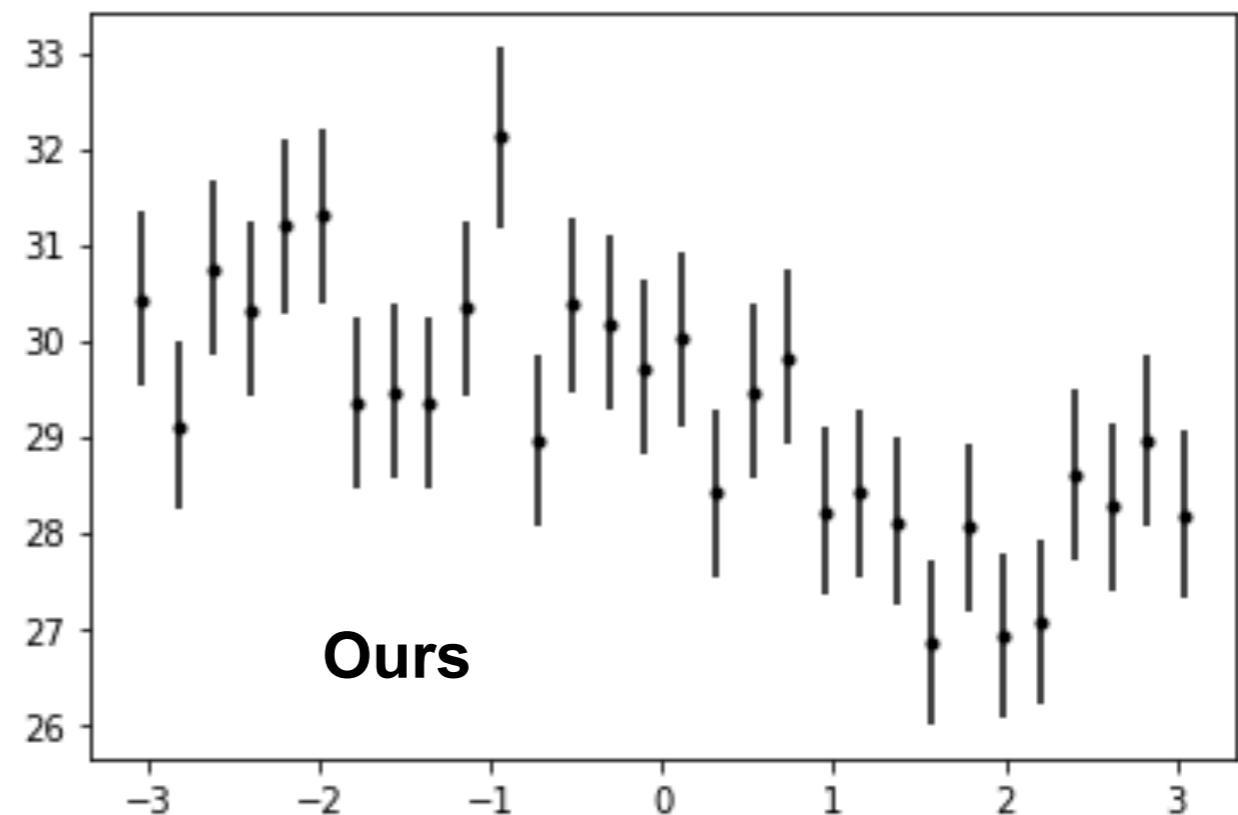
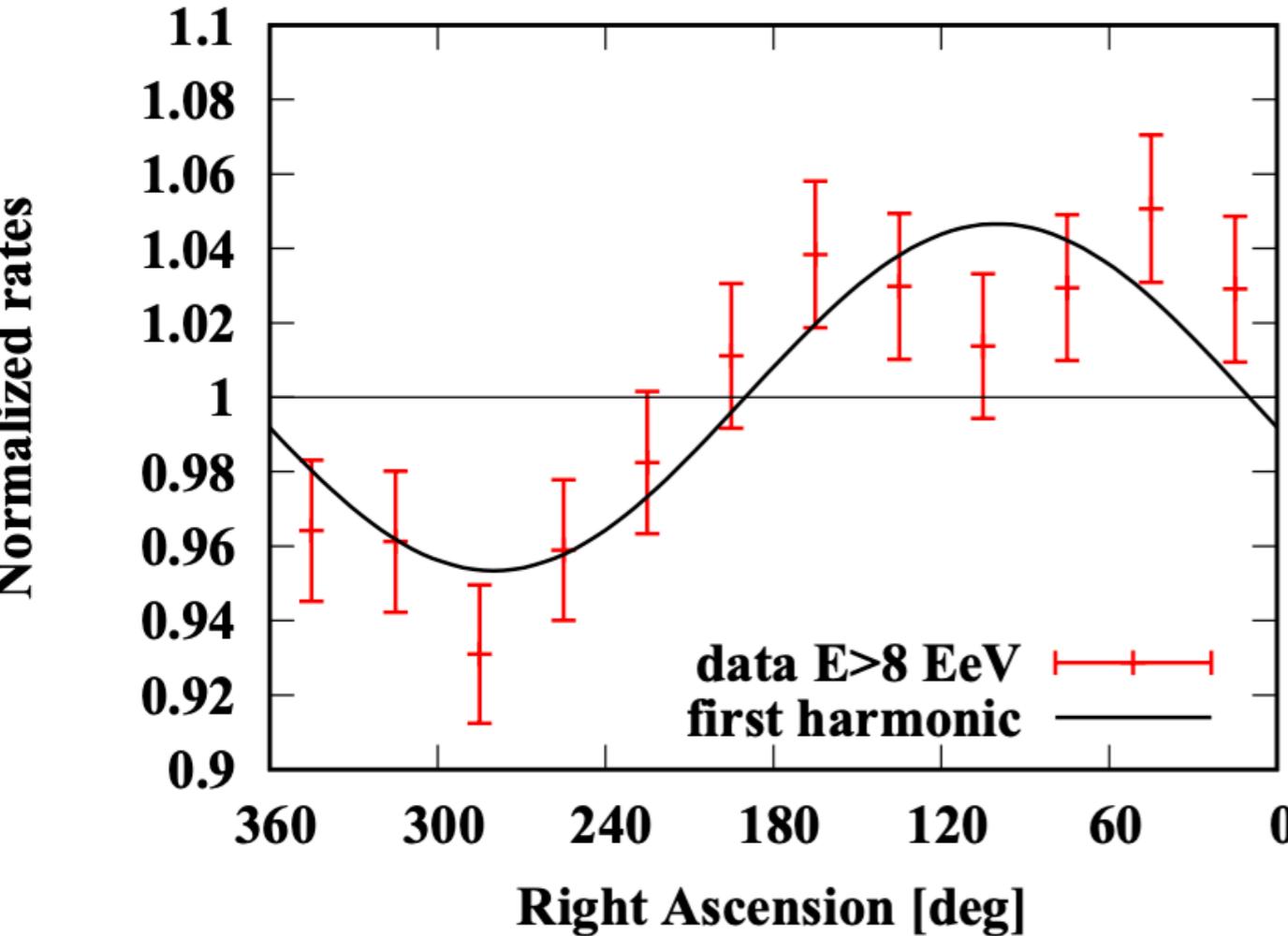
$$\left(\frac{h}{h_0}\right)^2 = (\Omega_M)a^{-3} + 1 - \Omega_M$$

Friedmann Equations

$$d(z) = ct' = (1 + z)ct = (1 + z) \frac{c}{h_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{\sqrt{\Omega_M(1 + z')^3 + 1 - \Omega_M}}$$



Cosmic Ray Data



Multiple Dimensions

- For N variables the expansion is the same

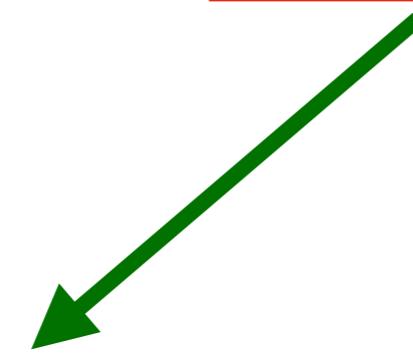
$$\chi^2(x_i, \vec{\theta}) = \chi^2_{min}(x_i, \vec{\theta}) + \frac{1}{2}(\theta_i - \theta_0)^T \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \chi^2_{min}(x_i, \vec{\theta}_0)(\theta_j - \theta_0)$$

χ^2 distribution of 1 degree of freedom
 $V[\chi^2(x)] = 1$

$$\Delta \chi^2 = 2 \Delta \log L = 1$$

For one degree of freedom

Hessian of
the χ^2 distribution



This is known as Wilk's Theorem

$$\sigma_{ij}^2 = \left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \right)^{-1}$$

2D examples

$$\chi^2(x, \vec{\theta}) = \chi_{min}^2(x, \vec{\theta}) + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \theta_a - \theta_{a-min} & \theta_b - \theta_{b-min} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a \partial \theta_b} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a \partial \theta_b} & \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_b^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \theta_a - \theta_{a-min} \\ \theta_b - \theta_{b-min} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a \partial \theta_b} \approx 0$

$$\chi^2(x, \vec{\theta}) = \chi_{min}^2(x, \vec{\theta}) + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta\theta_a & \Delta\theta_b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_b^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta\theta_a \\ \Delta\theta_b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi^2(x, \vec{\theta}) &= \chi_{min}^2(x, \vec{\theta}) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\Delta\theta_a^2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a^2} + \Delta\theta_b^2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_b^2} \right) \\ &= \chi_{min}^2(x, \vec{\theta}) + \left(\frac{\Delta\theta_a^2}{\sigma_{\theta_a}^2} + \frac{\Delta\theta_b^2}{\sigma_{\theta_b}^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

2D examples

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Relating all the 2Ds

$$\frac{2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j}$$

$$\sigma^2 = 2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \right)^{-1}$$

Wilk's Theorem

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_b^2} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{\sigma_a^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sigma_b^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Wilk's For Uncorrelated Parameters

**For correlated Paramters
Can always Diagonalize**

$$A^{-1} 2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a \partial \theta_b} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_a \partial \theta_b} & \frac{\partial^2 \chi^2}{\partial \theta_b^2} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} A = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2D Terminology

Covariance Matrix

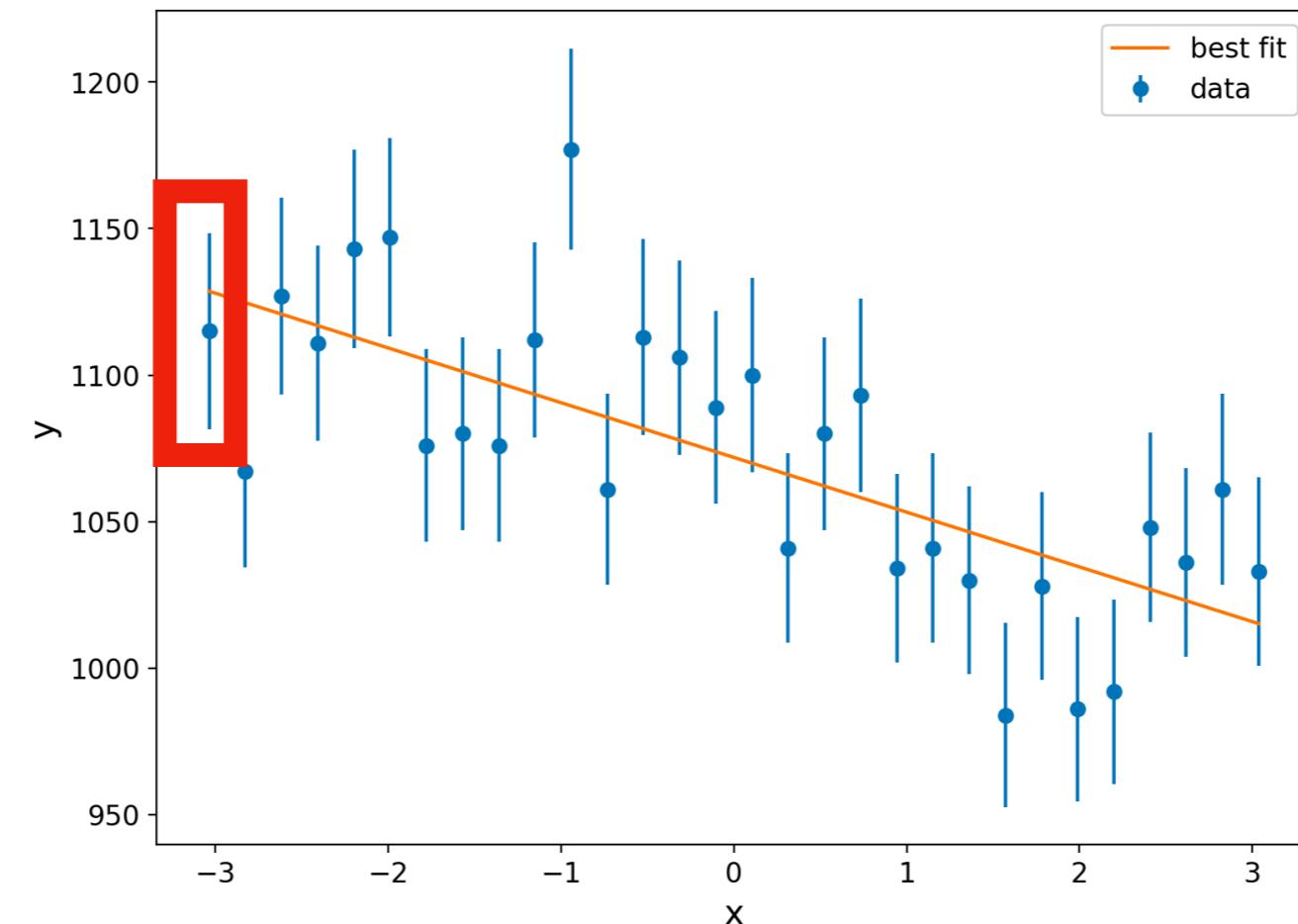
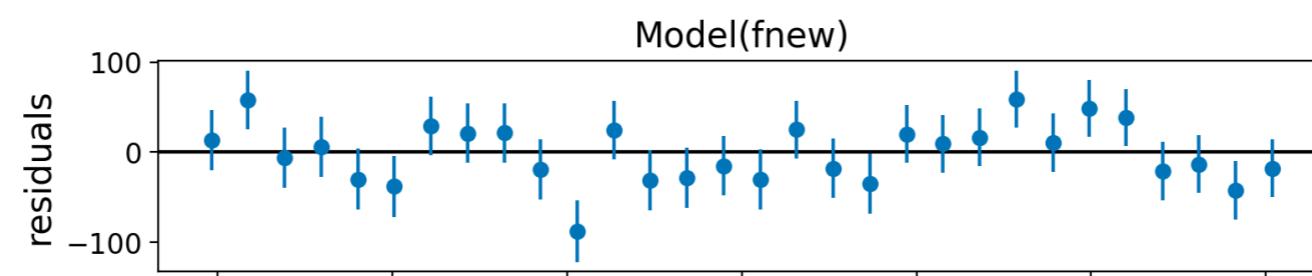
$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_a^2 & \text{COV}(a, b) \\ \text{COV}(a, b) & \sigma_b^2 \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^N \begin{pmatrix} (a_i - \bar{a})^2 & (a_i - \bar{a})(b_i - \bar{b}) \\ (a_i - \bar{a})(b_i - \bar{b}) & (b_i - \bar{b})^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rho = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\text{COV}(a,b)}{\sigma_a \sigma_b} \\ \frac{\text{COV}(a,b)}{\sigma_a \sigma_b} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Correlation Matrix

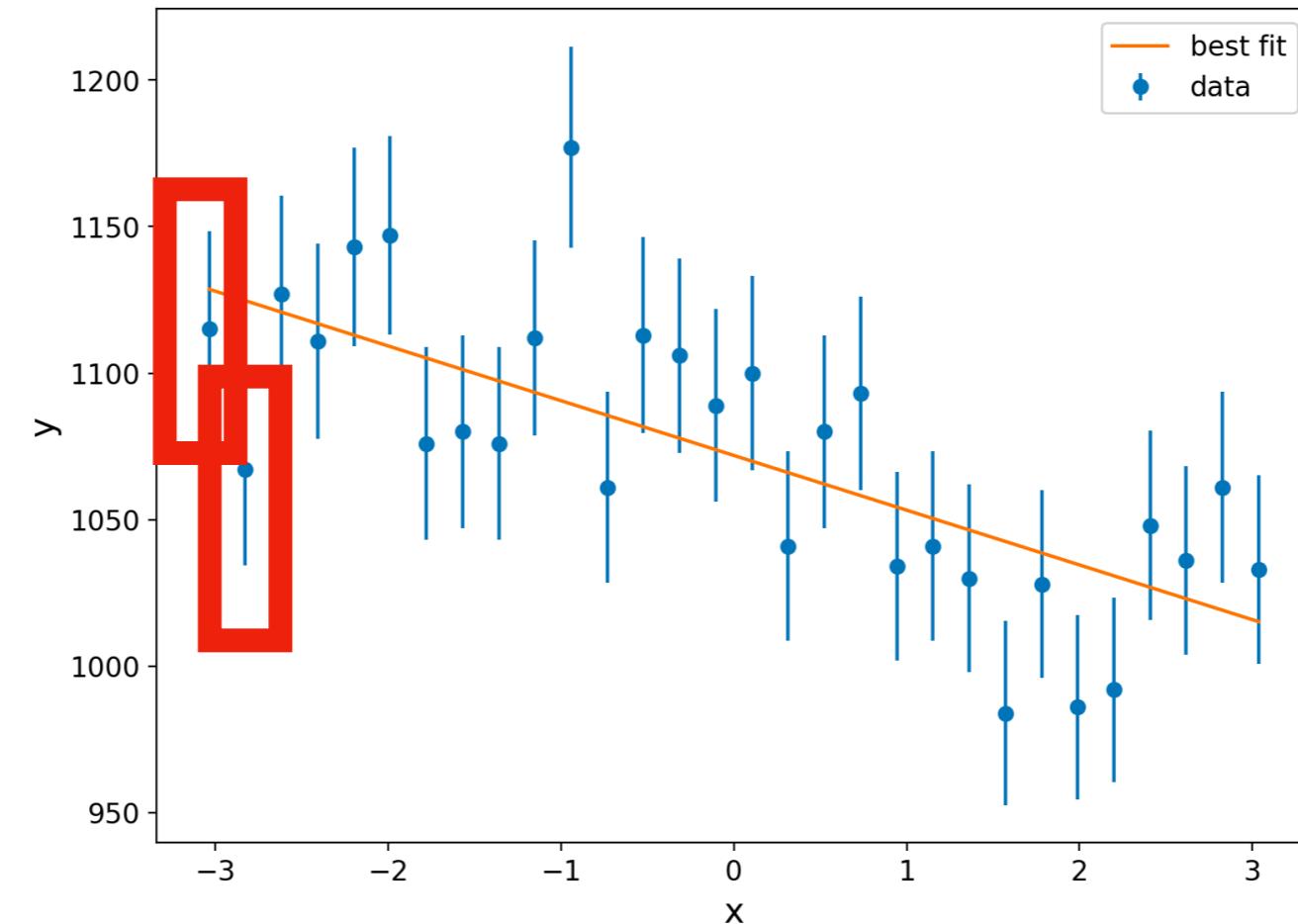
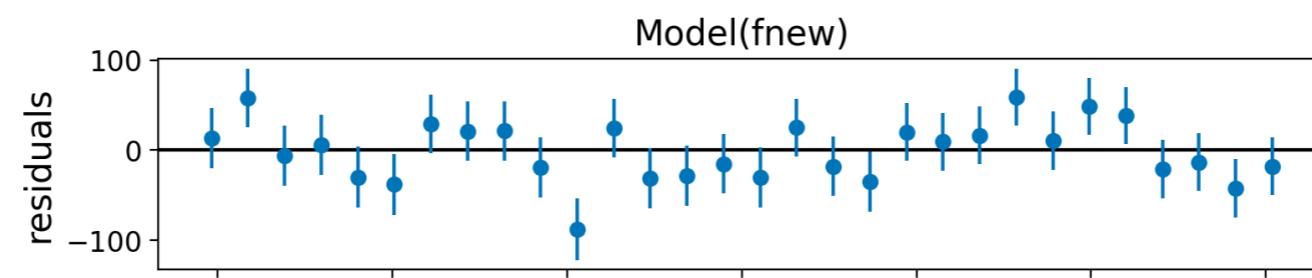
Correlation Coefficient

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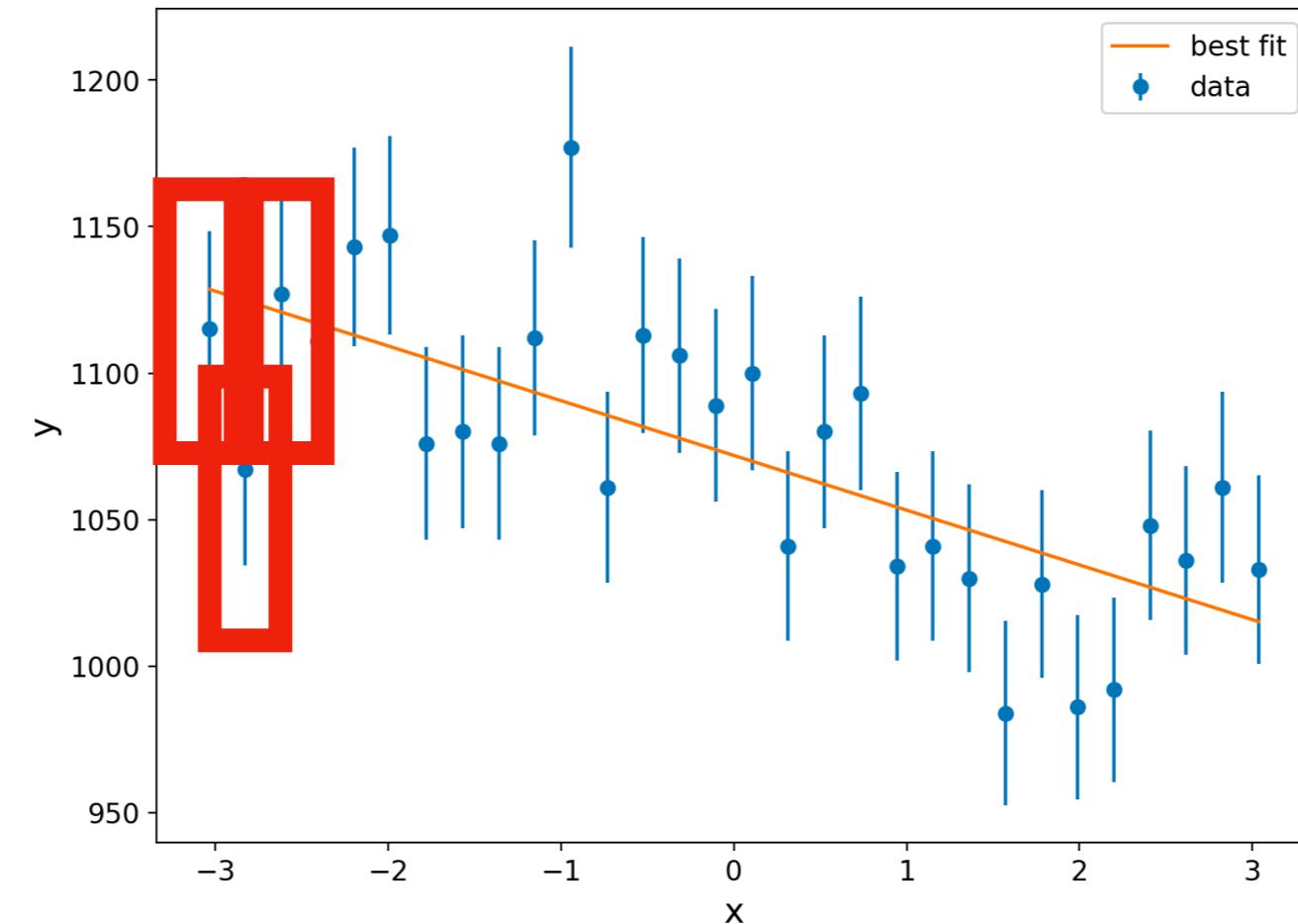
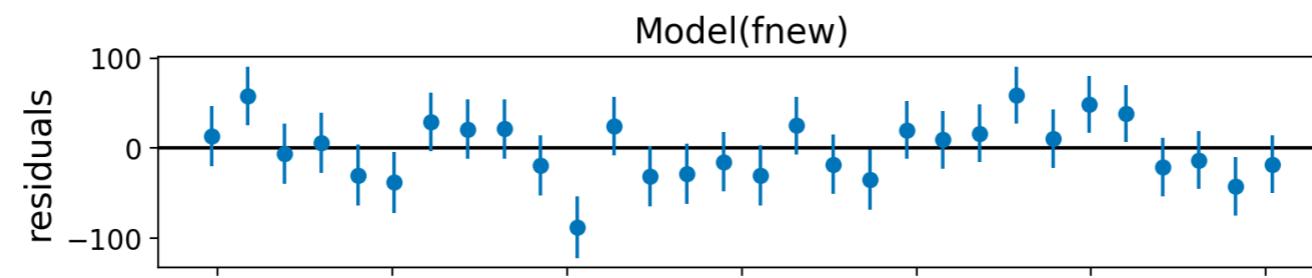
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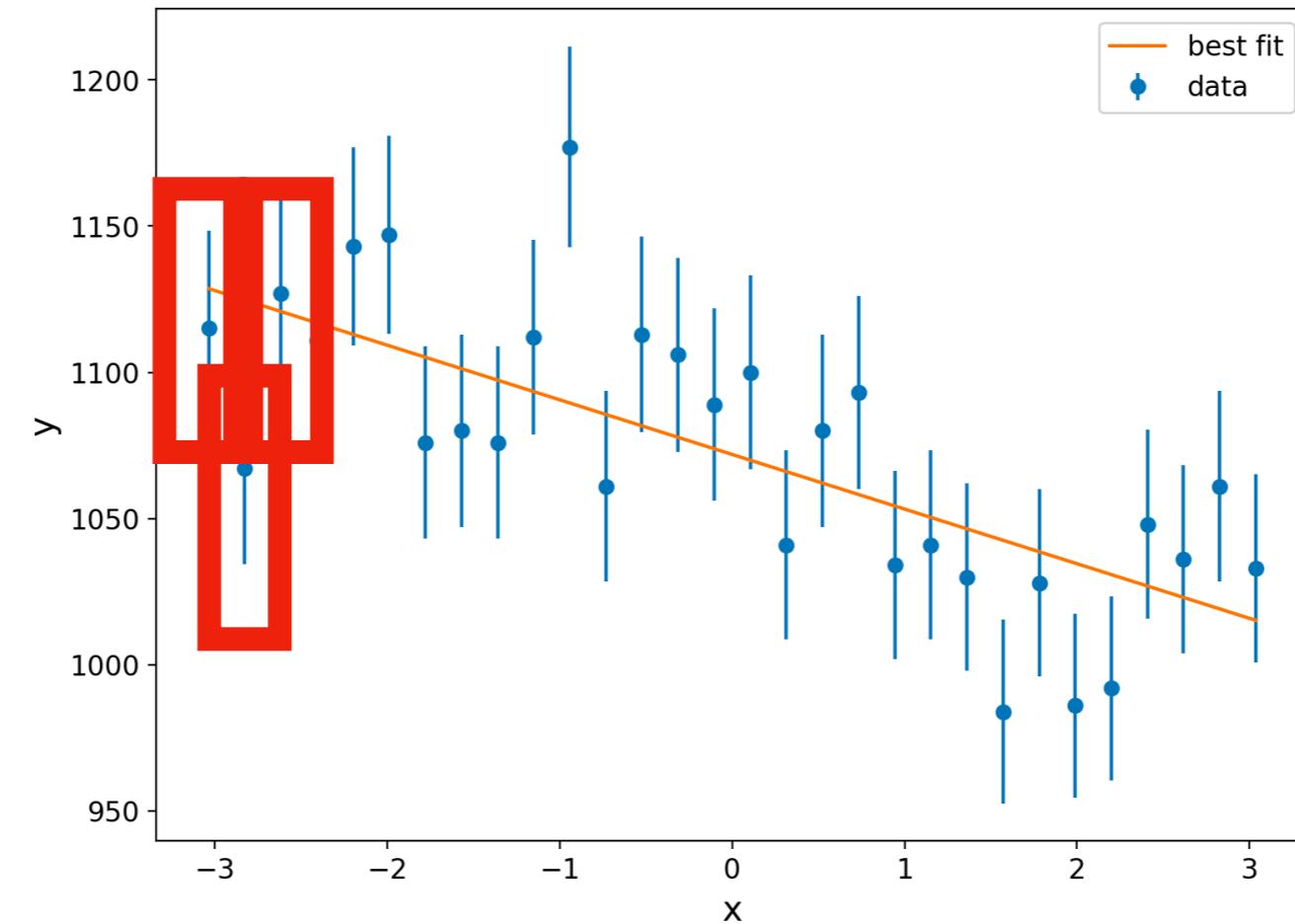
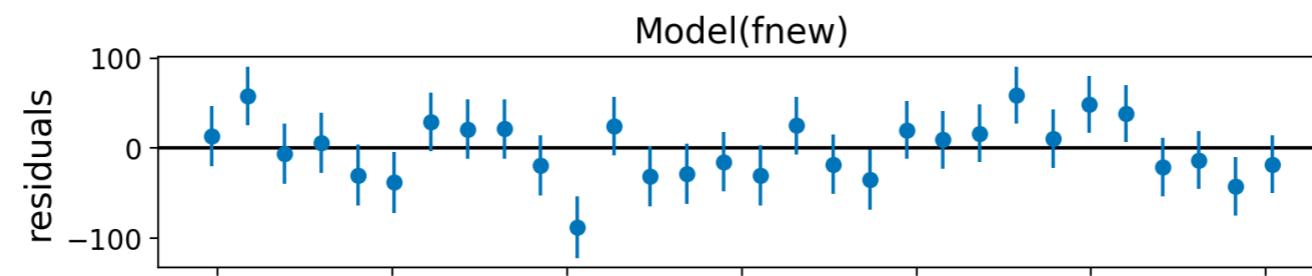


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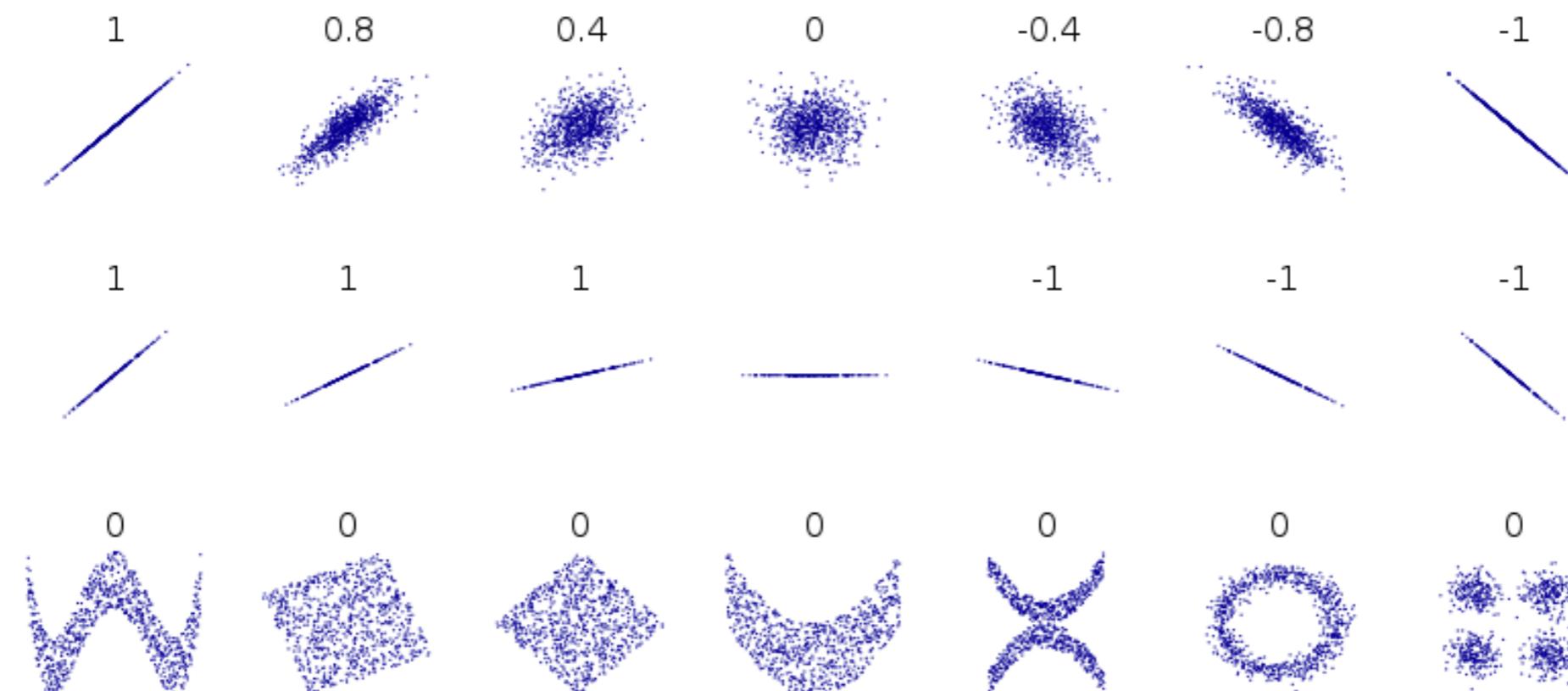
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Correlation Vernacular

$$r = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

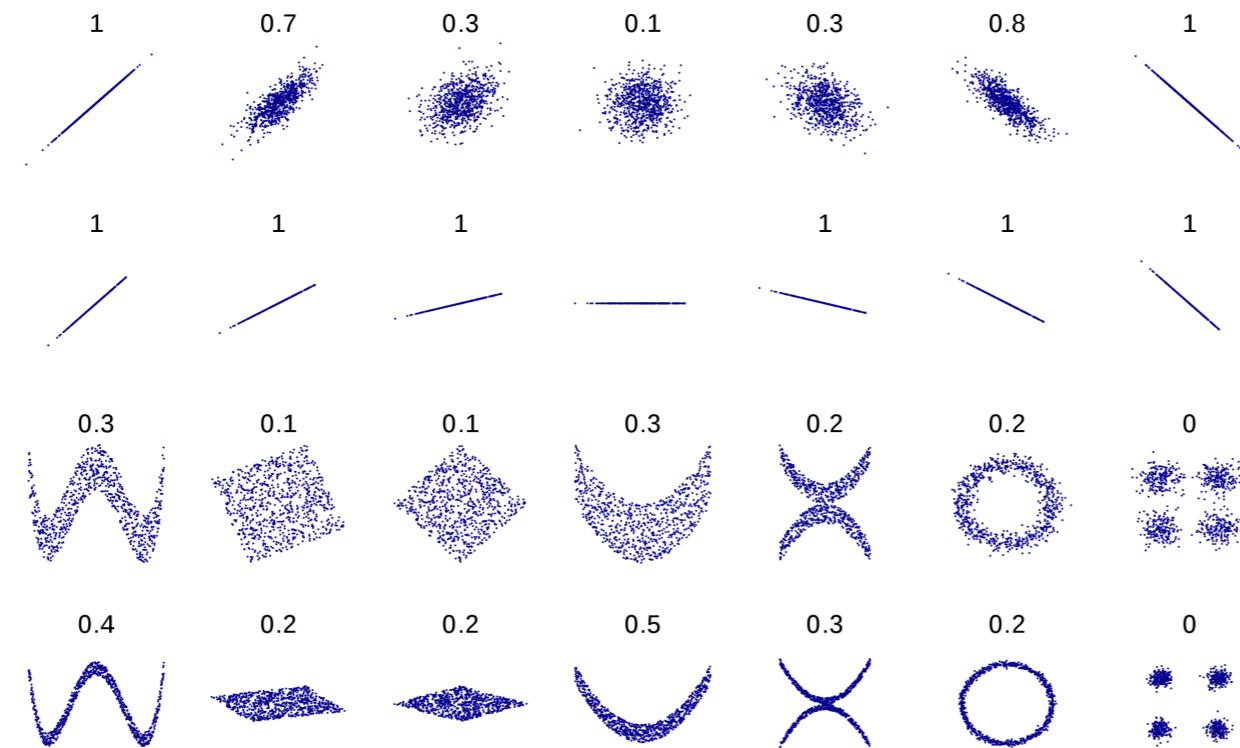
This is what we discussed Last Class
Commonly referred to as
“Pearson Correlation”



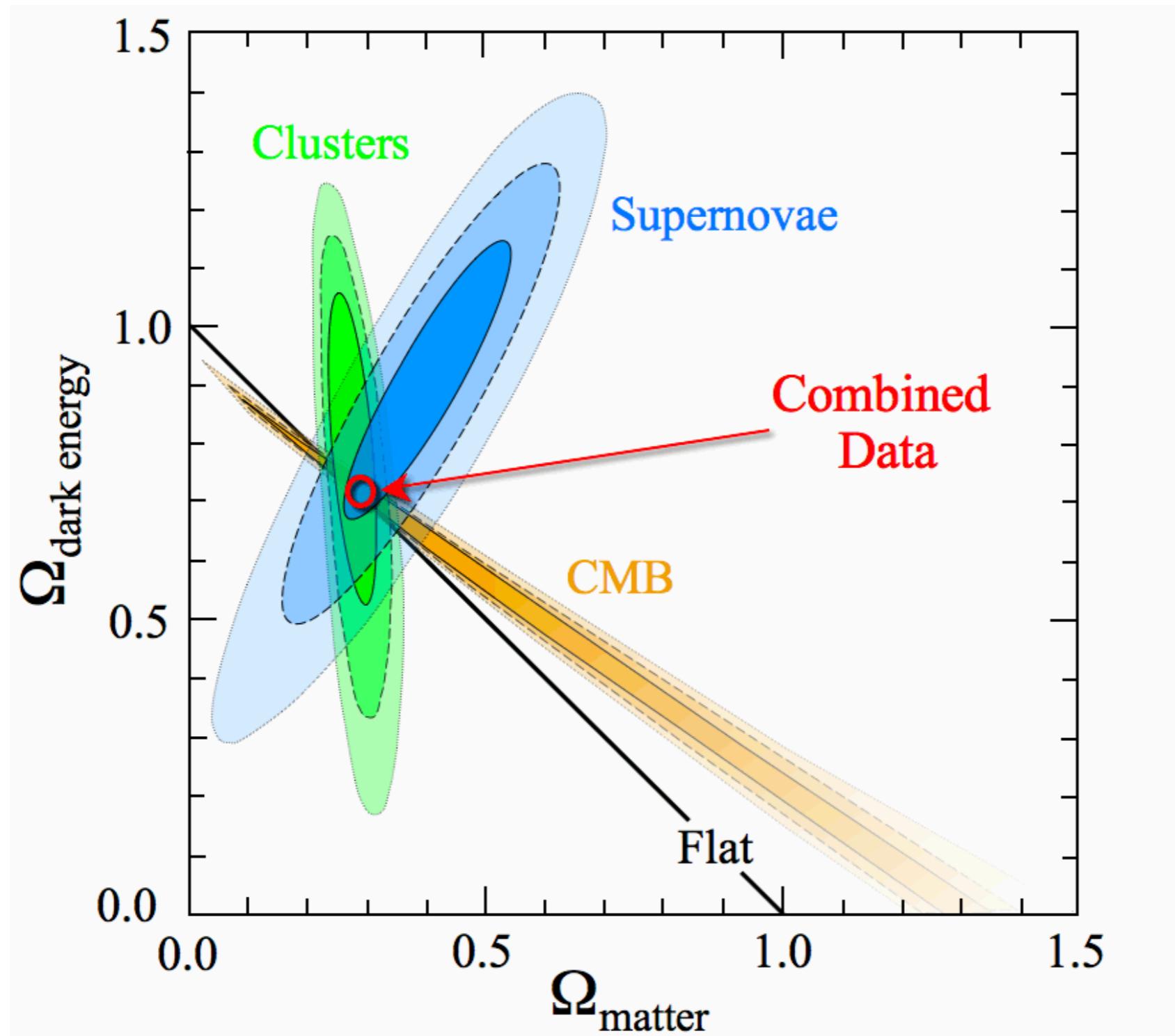
Correlation Vernacular

$$\text{dCor}^2(X, Y) = \frac{\text{dCov}^2(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{dVar}^2(X) \text{dVar}^2(Y)}},$$

You can construct other correlations
Such as the correlation of distances between points
“Distance Correlation” (Disco)

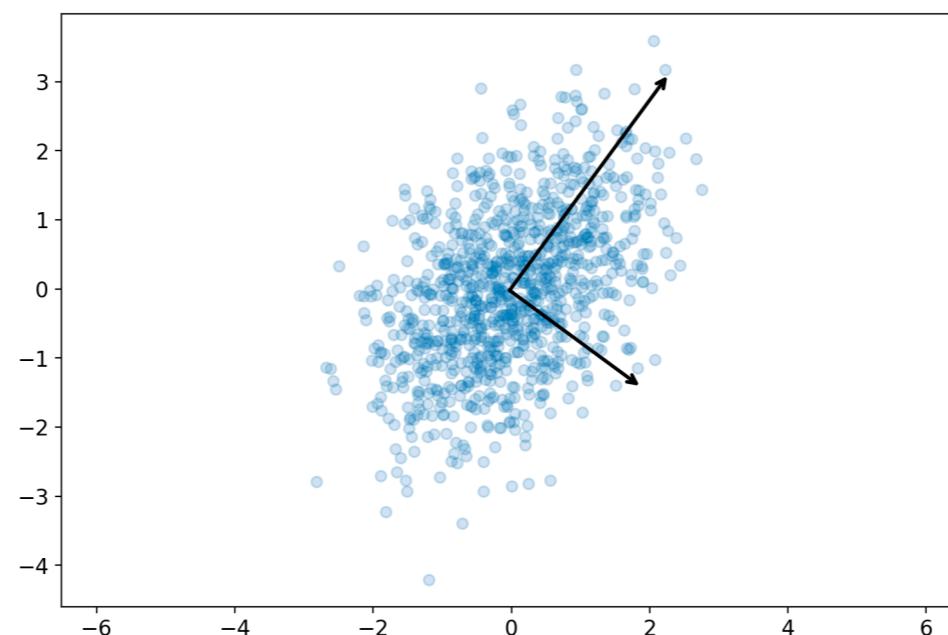


Full 2D Plot

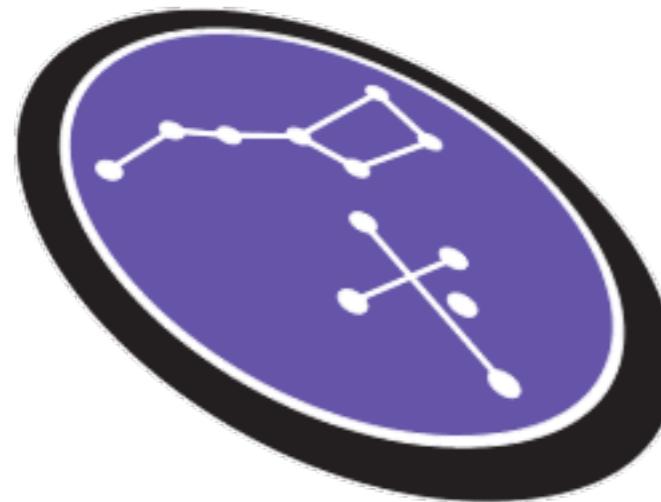


Principal Component²⁰ Analysis

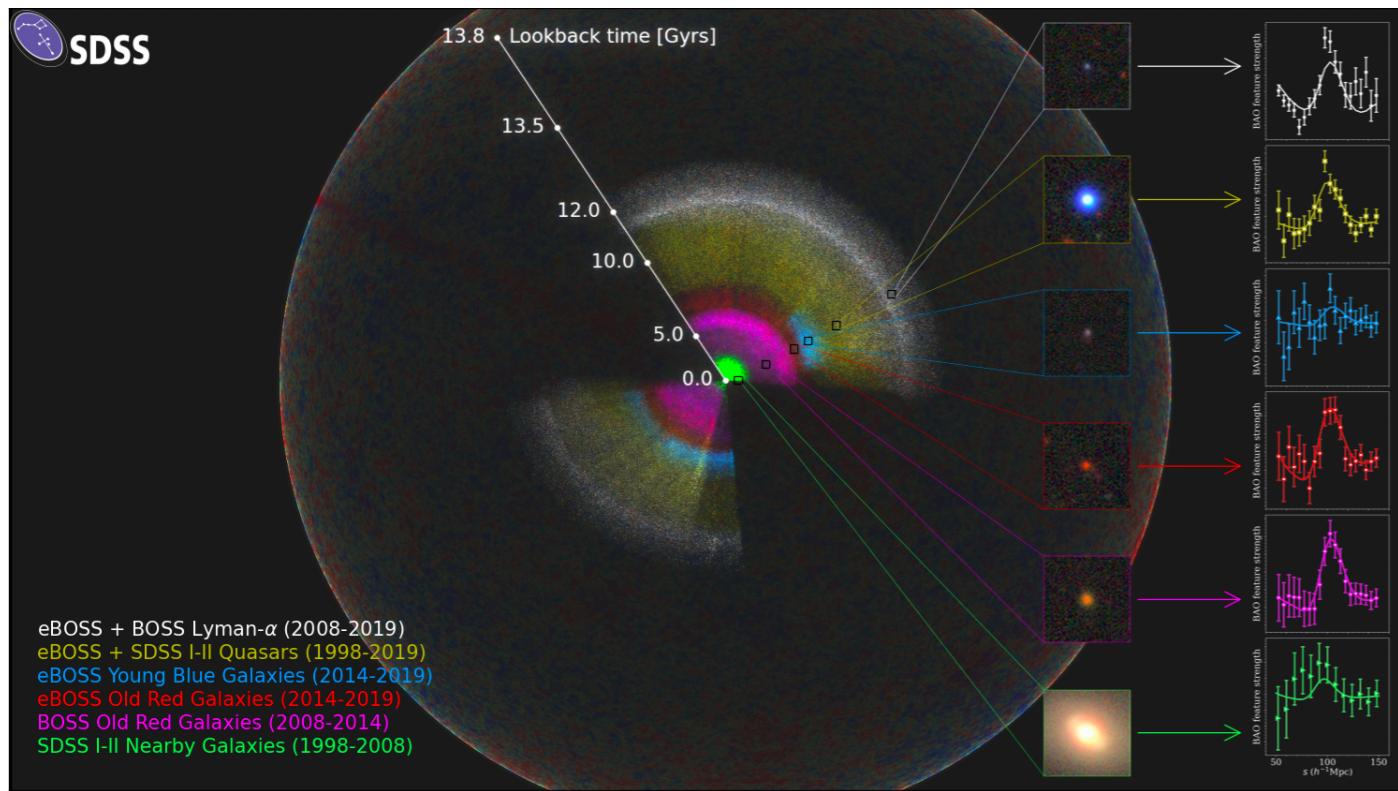
- Just taking the Eigen-vectors/values of an n-d space
 - Sorted by Eigenvalues, which give rank
 - Number of Eigenvalues above threshold is dimension



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Fitting Checklist

- When I fit a function:
 - I minimize Log likelihood (usually approxed by chi2)
 - When I fit does the fit converge
 - Check the final chi2 value
 - ▶ Chi2/NDOF should be close to 1
 - ▶ Chi2 p-value should be good (5%-95%)
 - Look at the parameters
 - ▶ Do my uncertainties make sense? (Too small/large)
 - Are parameters moving far away from expected?
 - ▶ Should I do a 2D scan of the parameters?
 - How do I want to express my results?