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# 1 Constrain Cosmological Parameters using Supernovae Data

This notebook uses supernovae data, specifically, the data of the distance modulus vs. redshift to fit equations and constrain cosmological constants.

Here is an overview of our methods: 1) Fetch supernova data

2) Visualize data and get the data where redshift is small

3) Fit data with small redshift to the following equation and use the fitting results to calculate Hubble Constant  $H_0$  and cosmological constant  $q_0$ .

$$m - M = 43.17 - 5\log_{10}\left(\frac{H_0}{70}\right) + 5\log_{10}z + 1.086(1 - q_0)z \text{ --- (Eq. 1)}$$

To better understand our data, we also try fitting our data backwards in the following steps, i.e., how well different  $q_0$  fits our data.

4) Visualize the difference between our data fitted model and some hypothesized models.

5) Try different cosmological constants on our data and calculate the loss for each.

6) Use Cosmology package to more accurately calculate luminosity distance and thus the distance modulus.

```
[155]: import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
import statsmodels.api as sm
```

## 1.1 1. Load Supernovae Data

```
[156]: sn_data = pd.read_csv("./data.txt", sep="\t", header=0)
sn_data.head()
```

```
[156]:  supernova name  redshift  distance modulus  distance modulus error  \
0          1993ah  0.028488          35.346583             0.223906
1          1993ag  0.050043          36.682368             0.166829
2          1993o  0.052926          36.817691             0.155756
3          1993b  0.070086          37.446737             0.158467
4          1992bs  0.062668          37.483409             0.156099
```

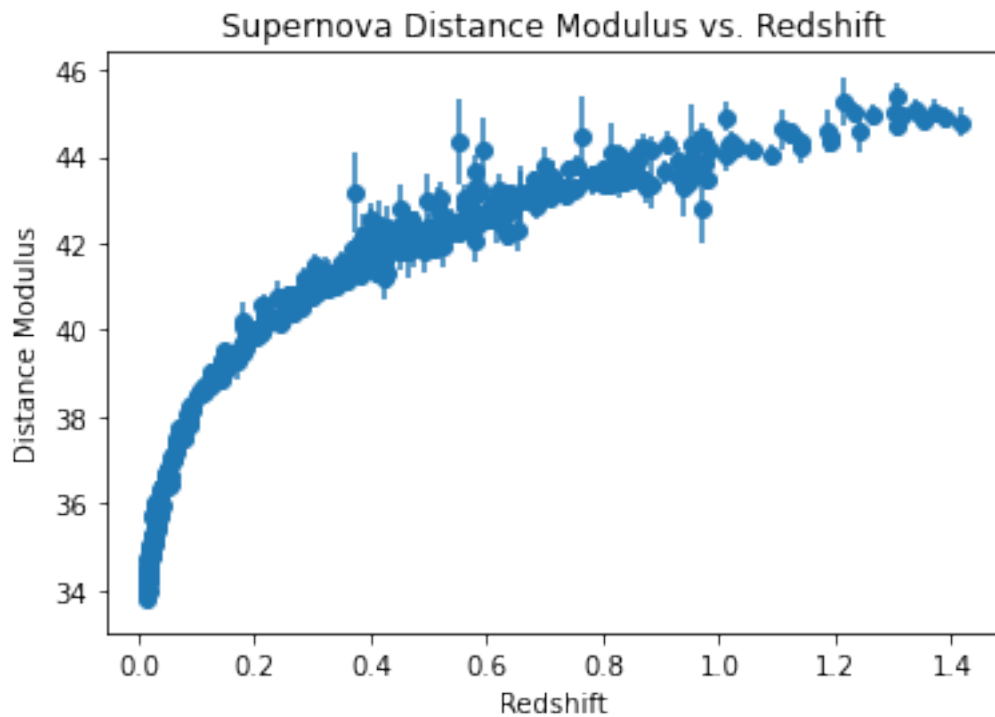
probability

```
0    0.128419
1    0.128419
2    0.128419
3    0.128419
4    0.128419
```

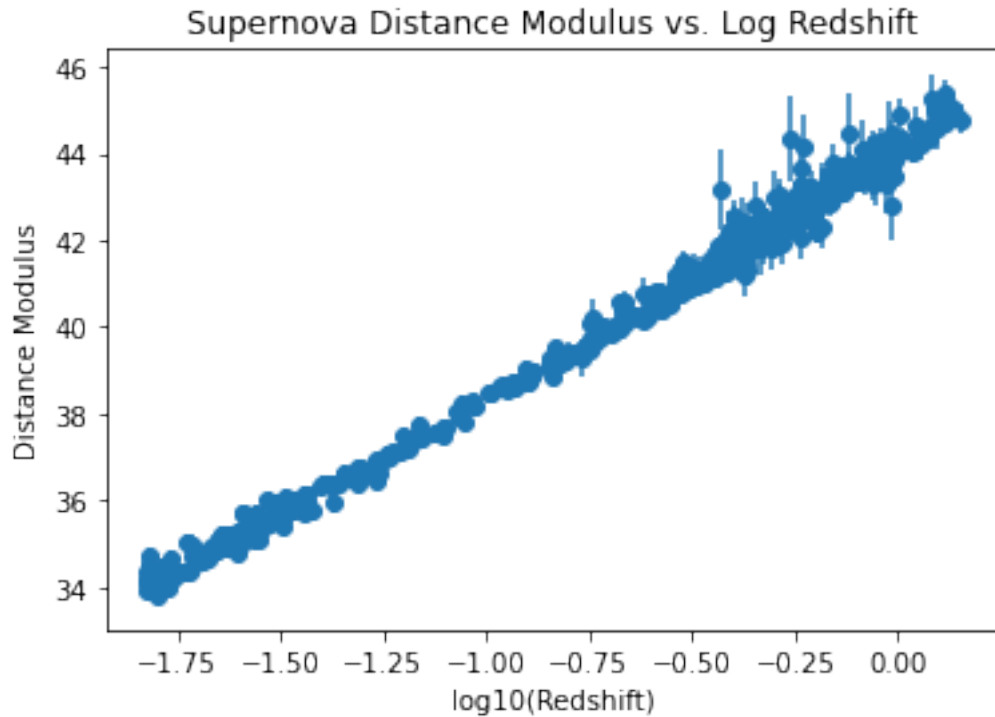
## 1.2 2. Visualize Data

We observe a log relationship between distance modulus and redshift.

```
[157]: plt.errorbar(sn_data["redshift"], sn_data["distance modulus"], yerr =_
        ↳sn_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None, fmt='o')
plt.xlabel('Redshift')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift')
plt.show()
```



```
[158]: plt.errorbar(np.log10(sn_data["redshift"]), sn_data["distance modulus"], yerr =_
        ↳sn_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None, fmt='o')
plt.xlabel('log10(Redshift)')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Log Redshift')
plt.show()
```



Now we can extract two dataset: `small_z_data` and `medium_z_data`.

`small_z_data` contains the supernova data that has a very small redshift ( $z \ll 1$ ), and `medium_z_data` contains the data with relatively bigger redshift but still smaller than 0.2 ( $z < 0.2$ ).

We will introduce the use of these two datasets later.

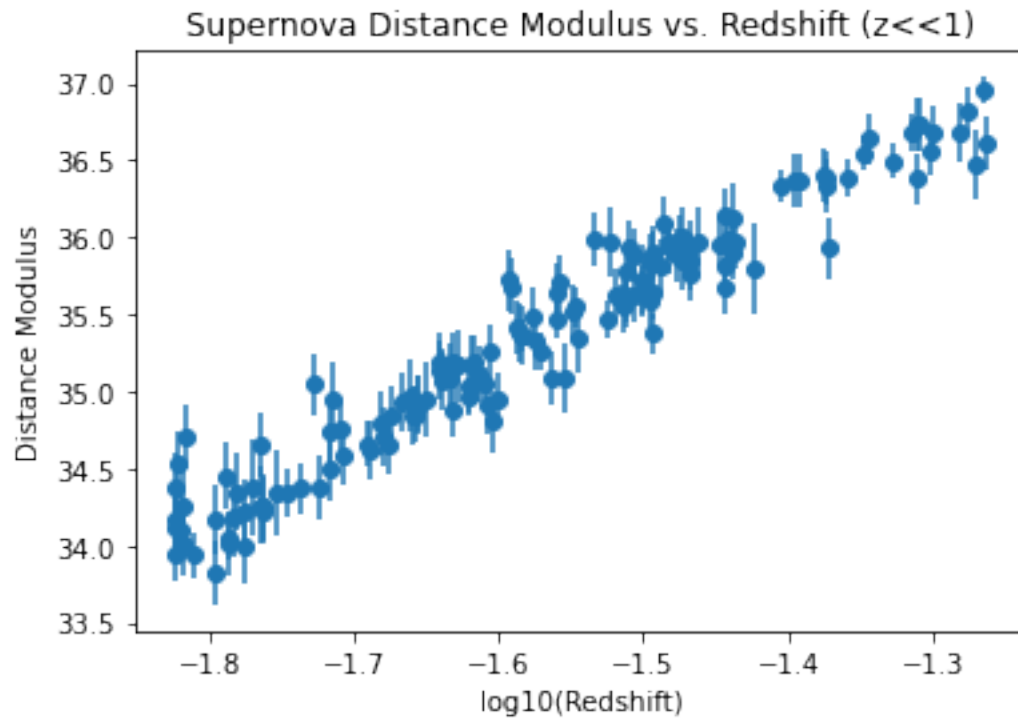
```
[159]: small_z_data = sn_data[sn_data["redshift"] < 0.055]
medium_z_data = sn_data[sn_data["redshift"] < 0.2]
print("Number of points in small_z_data: ", len(small_z_data), "\nNumber of
      points in medium_z_data: ", len(medium_z_data))
```

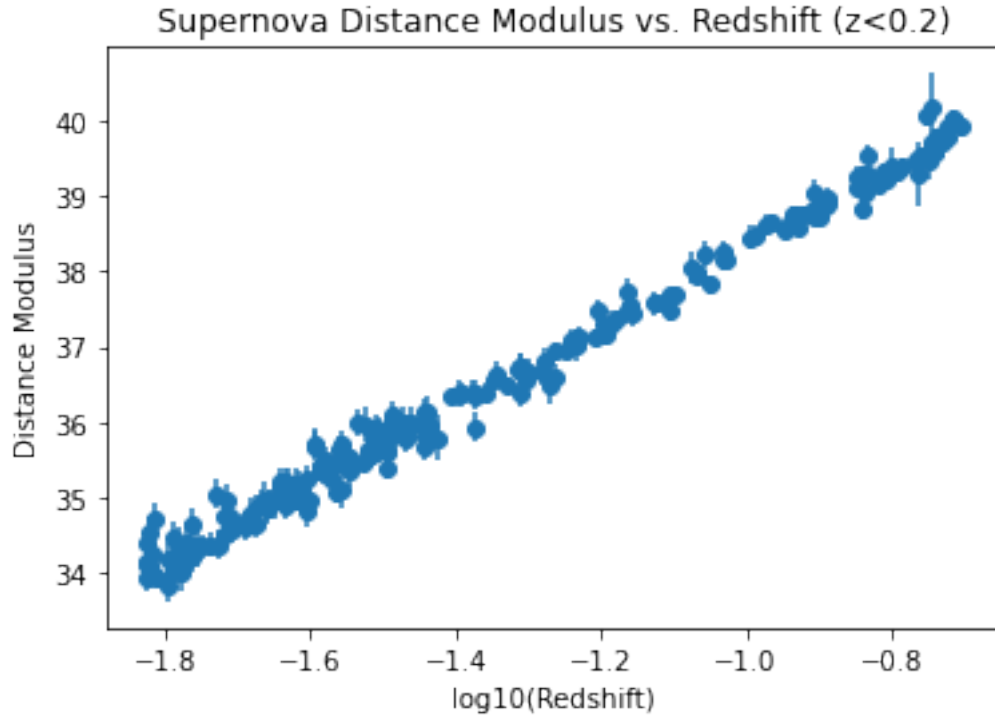
```
Number of points in small_z_data: 146
Number of points in medium_z_data: 230
```

```
[160]: plt.errorbar(np.log10(small_z_data["redshift"]), small_z_data["distance_
      modulus"], yerr = small_z_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None, fmt='o')
plt.xlabel('log10(Redshift)')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift (z<<1)')
plt.show()

plt.errorbar(np.log10(medium_z_data["redshift"]), medium_z_data["distance_
      modulus"], yerr = medium_z_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None,
      fmt='o')
```

```
plt.xlabel('log10(Redshift)')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift (z<0.2)')
plt.show()
```





### 1.3 3. Fit Data and Calculate Hubble Constant and Cosmological Constant

Equation 1:  $m - M = 43.17 - 5\log_{10}\left(\frac{H_0}{70}\right) + 5\log_{10}z + 1.086(1 - q_0)z$

Observe that when  $z \ll 1$ , we can neglect the last term  $1.086(1 - q_0)z$ . The distance modulus and  $\log_{10}z$  are linear. So we can use the data when  $z \ll 1$  to fit a linear regression model. The fitted intercept can be used to calculate Hubble constant  $H_0$ .

To take into account the error bars, we use weighted least squares where the weights are calculated from distance modulus error.

```
[161]: X = np.array(np.log10(small_z_data["redshift"])).reshape(-1, 1)
X = sm.add_constant(X) # add column of 1 for intercept
y = np.array(small_z_data["distance modulus"])

# Weights for weighted least squares
weights = 1 / np.array(small_z_data["distance modulus error"]) ** 2

HO_model = sm.WLS(y, X, weights=weights).fit()
HO_model.params
```

```
[161]: array([43.26060668,  5.03219119])
```

```
[162]: HO_model.summary()
```

```
[162]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
      """
                WLS Regression Results
=====
Dep. Variable:          y      R-squared:                0.951
Model:                  WLS    Adj. R-squared:            0.951
Method:                 Least Squares    F-statistic:        2806.
Date:                   Fri, 05 May 2023    Prob (F-statistic):    2.55e-96
Time:                   22:52:23    Log-Likelihood:       43.463
No. Observations:      146    AIC:                 -82.93
Df Residuals:          144    BIC:                 -76.96
Df Model:               1
Covariance Type:       nonrobust
=====
                coef      std err          t      P>|t|      [0.025      0.975]
-----
const          43.2606      0.147      293.727      0.000      42.969      43.552
x1              5.0322      0.095       52.973      0.000       4.844       5.220
=====
Omnibus:                 1.446    Durbin-Watson:           1.654
Prob(Omnibus):           0.485    Jarque-Bera (JB):         1.013
Skew:                    0.126    Prob(JB):                 0.603
Kurtosis:                 3.320    Cond. No.                  22.7
=====

Notes:
[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly
specified.
      """
```

```
[163]: H0 = 70 * 10**((H0_model.params[0] - 43.17) / (-5.0))
      print("H0:", H0)
```

H0: 67.13928363809563

Our linear model fits the data well with  $R^2$  close to 1. We calculate  $H_0$  around 67.14, which is also consistent with other studies.

Now, we could use slightly bigger  $z$  to fit the last term  $1.086(1 - q_0)z$  to calculate  $q_0$ .

```
[164]: X = np.array((medium_z_data["redshift"])).reshape(-1, 1)
      X = sm.add_constant(X)
      y = np.array(medium_z_data["distance modulus"]) - 5*np.array(np.
        ↳log10(medium_z_data["redshift"])) - H0_model.params[0]

      # Weights for weighted least squares
      weights = 1 / np.array(medium_z_data["distance modulus error"]) ** 2

      q0_model = sm.WLS(y, X, weights=weights).fit()
```

```
q0_model.params
```

```
[164]: array([-0.09279572,  1.43659398])
```

```
[165]: q0 = 1 - q0_model.params[1]/1.086
print("q0:", q0)
```

```
q0: -0.3228305557712643
```

We get  $q_0 < 0$ , indicating that we are in an accelerating outward universe.

We could also directly fit data with small redshift to the whole equation, by indicating the model as  $m - M = b + a_0 \log_{10} z + a_1 z$ .

```
[166]: X0 = np.array(np.log10(medium_z_data["redshift"])).reshape(-1, 1)
X1 = np.array((medium_z_data["redshift"])).reshape(-1, 1)
X = np.append(X0, X1, axis = 1)

X = sm.add_constant(X)
y = np.array(medium_z_data["distance modulus"])

# Weights for weighted least squares
weights = 1 / np.array(medium_z_data["distance modulus error"]) ** 2

model = sm.WLS(y, X, weights=weights).fit()
model.params
```

```
[166]: array([43.1024494 ,  4.96133736,  1.66229566])
```

```
[167]: H0 = 70 * 10**((model.params[0] - 43.17) / (-5.0))
print("H0:", H0)
q0 = 1 - model.params[2]/1.086
print("q0:", q0)
```

```
H0: 72.21179809082025
```

```
q0: -0.530658990003376
```

#### 1.4 4. Compare Observational Results and Expected Results for three Model Universes

One universe is flat, and contains only matter ( $\Omega_{m,0} = 1, q_0 = 0.5$ ). The second universe is negatively curved, and contains only matter ( $\Omega_{m,0} = 0.3, q_0 = 0.15$ ). The third universe is flat, and contains both matter and a cosmological constant ( $\Omega_{m,0} = 0.3, \Omega_{\Lambda,0} = 0.7, q_0 = -0.55$ ). The data are best fitted by the third model.

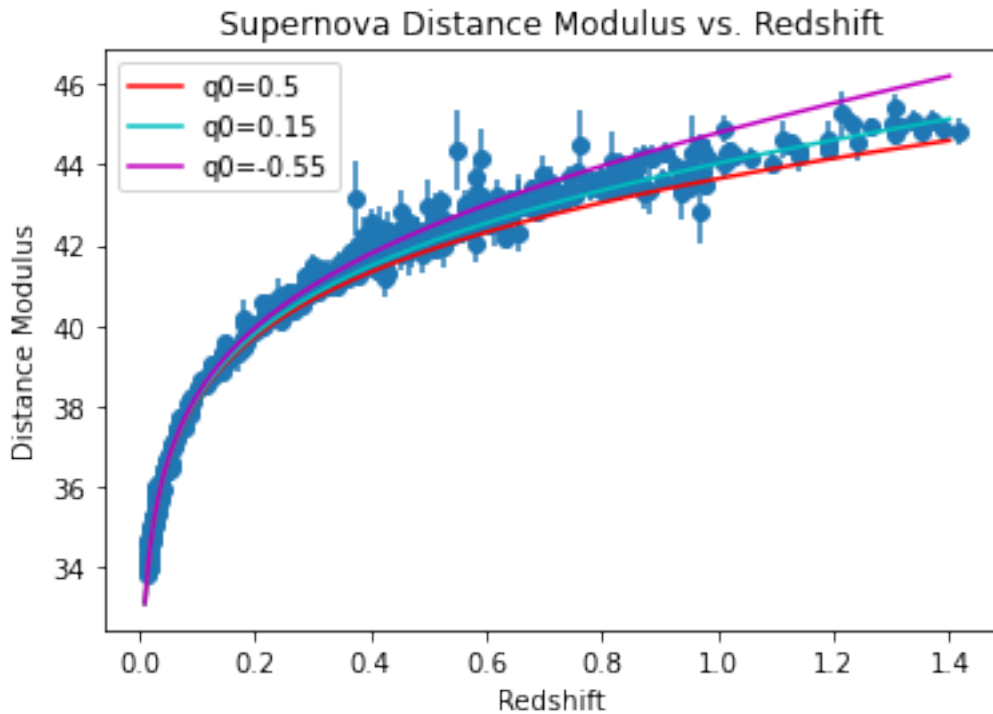
```
[168]: def calculate_dm(q0, z_data):
    dm = model.params[0] + 5*np.array(np.log10(z_data)) + 1.086*(1-q0)*np.
    ↪array(z_data)
    return dm
```

```
[169]: plt.errorbar(sn_data["redshift"], sn_data["distance modulus"], yerr =
        ↳ sn_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None, fmt='o', zorder=0)

z_data = np.linspace(10**(-2), 1.4, num=300)

plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(0.5, z_data), 'r', label="q0=0.5")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(0.15, z_data), 'c', label="q0=0.15")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(-0.55, z_data), 'm', label="q0=-0.55")

plt.xlabel('Redshift')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Comparing the expected results of three model universes and our observed results, we found that if using the whole dataset when  $z$  ranges from 0 to 1.4, the model of  $q_0=0.15$  seems to fit best. Yet, equation 1 is most accurate when redshift  $z$  is small, so let's fit these models to smaller redshift data.

```
[170]: plt.errorbar(medium_z_data["redshift"], medium_z_data["distance modulus"], yerr =
        ↳ medium_z_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None, fmt='o', zorder=0)
```



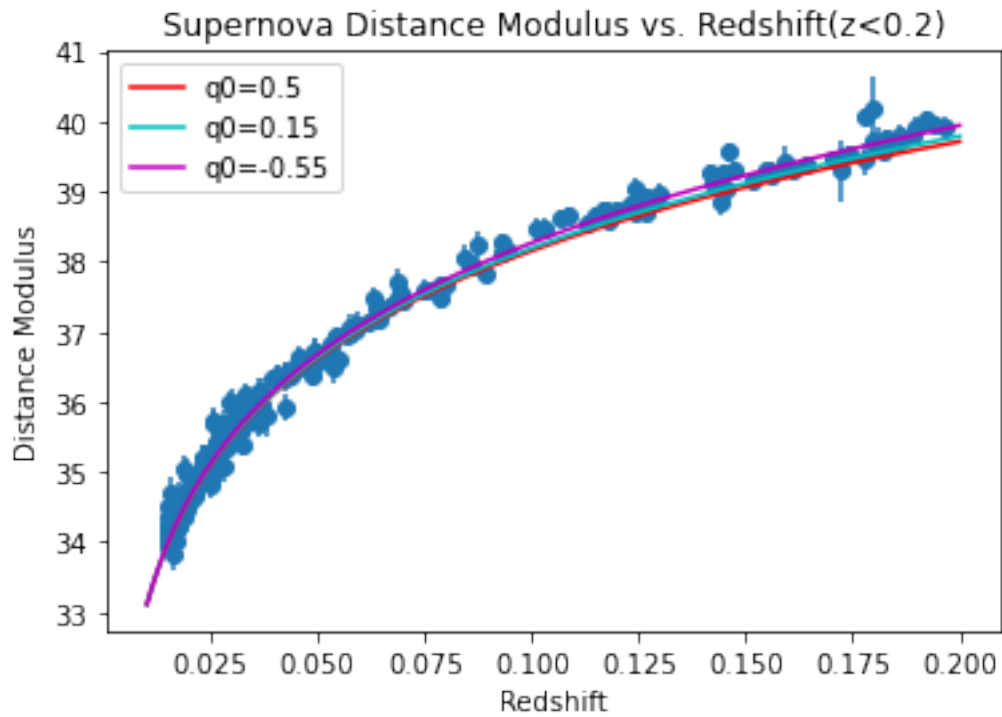
```

z_data = np.linspace(10**(-2), 0.2, num=300)

plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(0.5, z_data), 'r', label="q0=0.5")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(0.15, z_data), 'c', label="q0=0.15")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(-0.55, z_data), 'm', label="q0=-0.55")

plt.xlabel('Redshift')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift(z<0.2)')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```



We see that three lines are close when  $z$  is small, since the last term  $1.086(1 - q_0)z$  of Equation 1 is negligible when  $z \ll 1$ . At larger  $z$ , three lines deviates. We can zoom in the parts where three line deviates to observe better.

```

[171]: medium_large_z_data = medium_z_data[medium_z_data["redshift"] > 0.1]
plt.errorbar(medium_large_z_data["redshift"], medium_large_z_data["distance_
↪modulus"], yerr = medium_large_z_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None,
↪fmt='o', zorder=0)

```

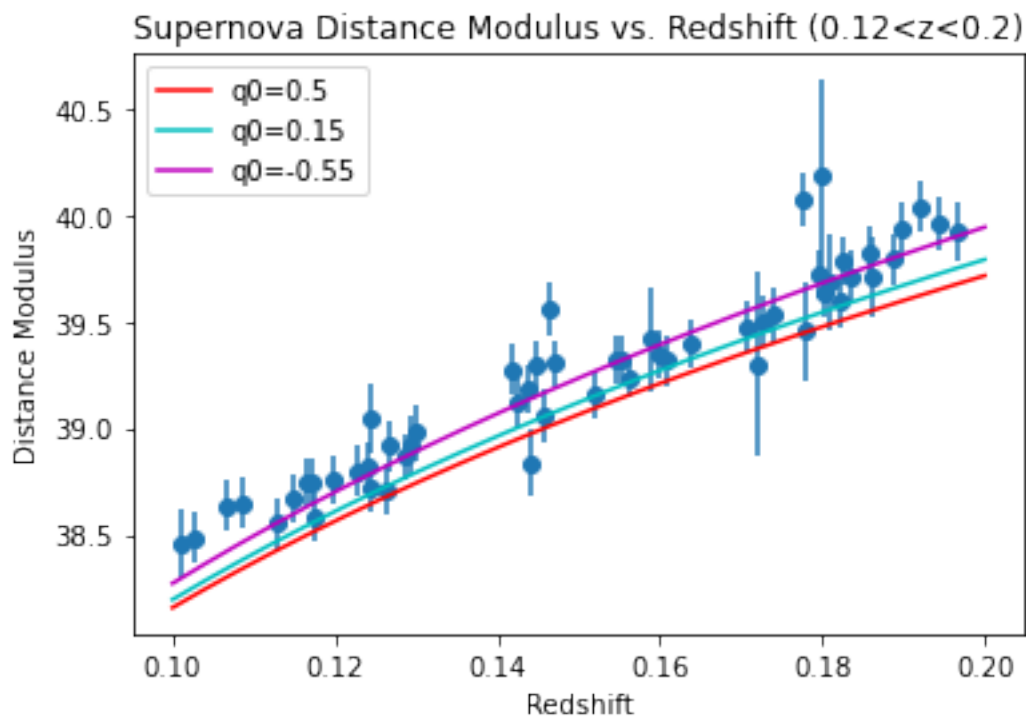
```

z_data = np.linspace(0.1, 0.2, num=200)

plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(0.5, z_data), 'r', label="q0=0.5")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(0.15, z_data), 'c', label="q0=0.15")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm(-0.55, z_data), 'm', label="q0=-0.55")

plt.xlabel('Redshift')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift (0.12<z<0.2)')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```



After zooming in, we observe that the third model, where  $q_0 = -0.55$  best describes our data, which is consistent with our findings in Part 3.

### 1.5 5. Fitting with Different Cosmological Constants

```

[200]: def weighted_mean_squared_error(predict, true, weights):
        return np.mean(weights * (predict - true) ** 2)

```

```

[201]: losses = []
        q0s = np.linspace(-3, 3, 50)

```

```

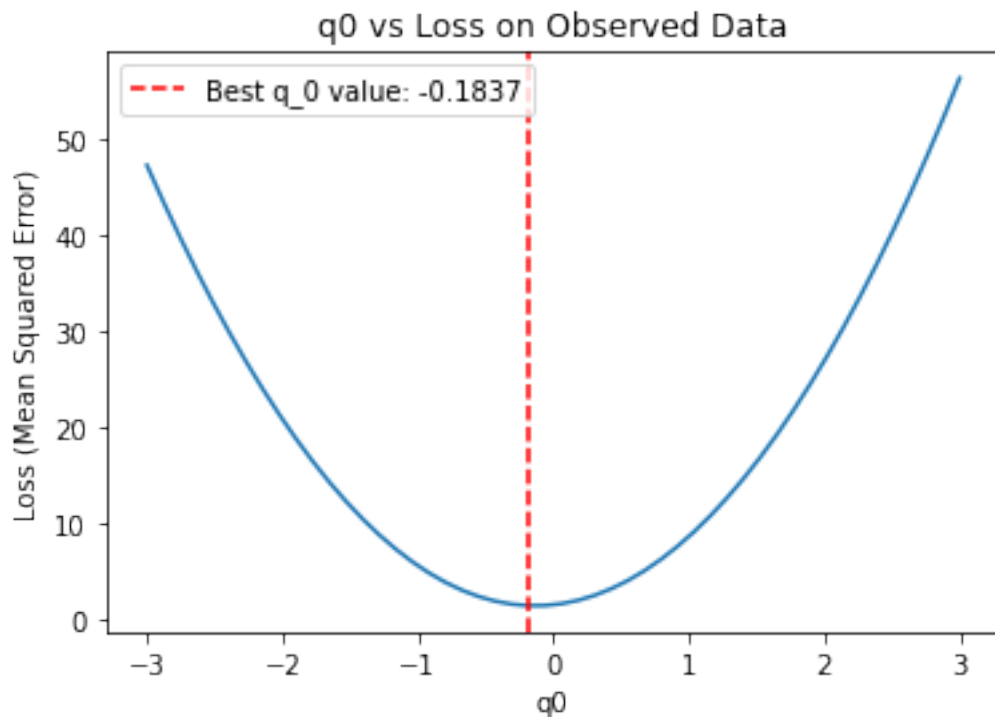
weights = 1 / np.array(sn_data["distance modulus error"]) ** 2

for q0 in q0s:
    prediction = [calculate_dm(q0, z) for z in sn_data["redshift"]]
    losses.append(weighted_mean_squared_error(prediction, sn_data["distance_
↪modulus"], weights))

best_q0 = q0s[np.argmin(losses)]
plt.plot(q0s, losses)
plt.axvline(x=best_q0, color='r', linestyle="--", label=f"Best q_0 value:␣
↪{round(best_q0, 4)}")

plt.xlabel('q0')
plt.ylabel('Loss (Mean Squared Error)')
plt.title('q0 vs Loss on Observed Data')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```



Here we found that  $q_0 = -0.1837$  best fits our data if we use the whole dataset, but this is not an accurate measurement since our method is more accurate with small  $z_{\text{data}}$ , so let's try it now.

```

[202]: losses = []
       q0s = np.linspace(-3, 3, 50)

```

```

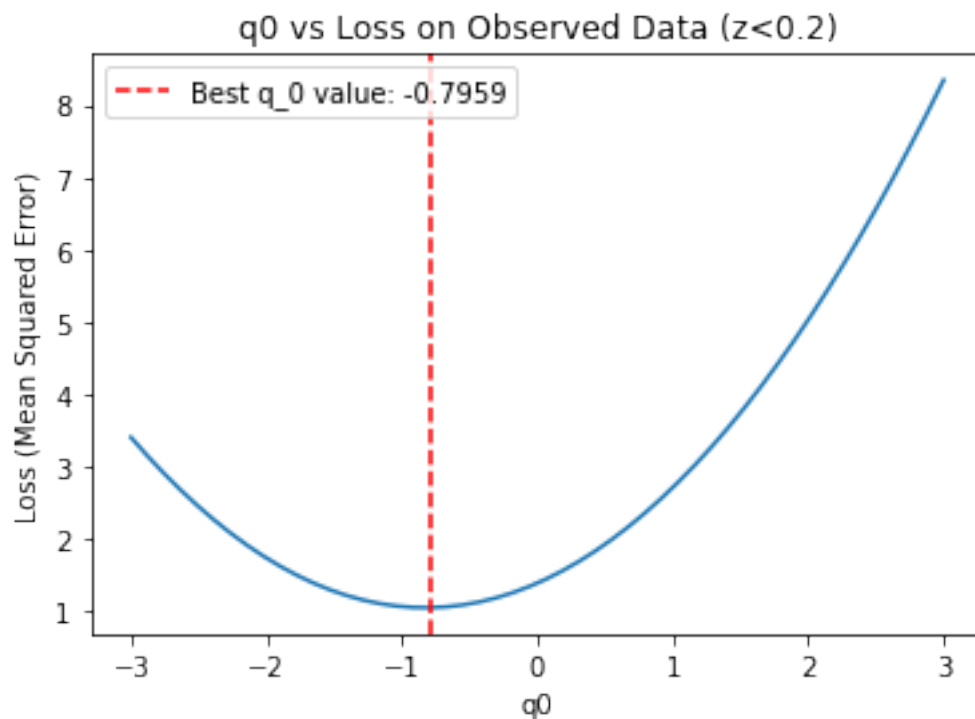
weights = 1 / np.array(medium_z_data["distance modulus error"]) ** 2

for q0 in q0s:
    prediction = [calculate_dm(q0, z) for z in medium_z_data["redshift"]]
    losses.append(weighted_mean_squared_error(prediction,
        ↪medium_z_data["distance modulus"], weights))

best_q0 = q0s[np.argmin(losses)]
plt.plot(q0s, losses)
plt.axvline(x=best_q0, color='r', linestyle="--", label=f"Best q_0 value:
    ↪{round(best_q0, 4)}")

plt.xlabel('q0')
plt.ylabel('Loss (Mean Squared Error)')
plt.title('q0 vs Loss on Observed Data (z<0.2)')
plt.legend()
plt.show()

```



## 1.6 6. Using Cosmology

Now, let's try different cosmological constants(values of  $\Omega$ ) and see what value fits our data best. We could use the cosmology package to calculate lumiosity distance accurately and then use that to calculate distance modulus.

```
[203]: import cosmology.distance as cd
import cosmology.constants as cc
```

```
[204]: def calculate_dm_from_cosmology(omega_M, omega_lambda, z_data):
    cosmo = {'omega_M_0' : omega_M, 'omega_lambda_0' : omega_lambda, 'h' : H0}
    cosmo = cd.set_omega_k_0(cosmo)
    a = cd.luminosity_distance(z_data, **cosmo)
    #distfunc, redfunc = cd.quick_distance_function(cd.luminosity_distance,
    ↪return_inverse=True, **cosmo)

    dm = 5*np.log10(a/10**(-7))
    return dm
```

Let's first try using this cosmology package to generate expected results from three universes in Part 4.

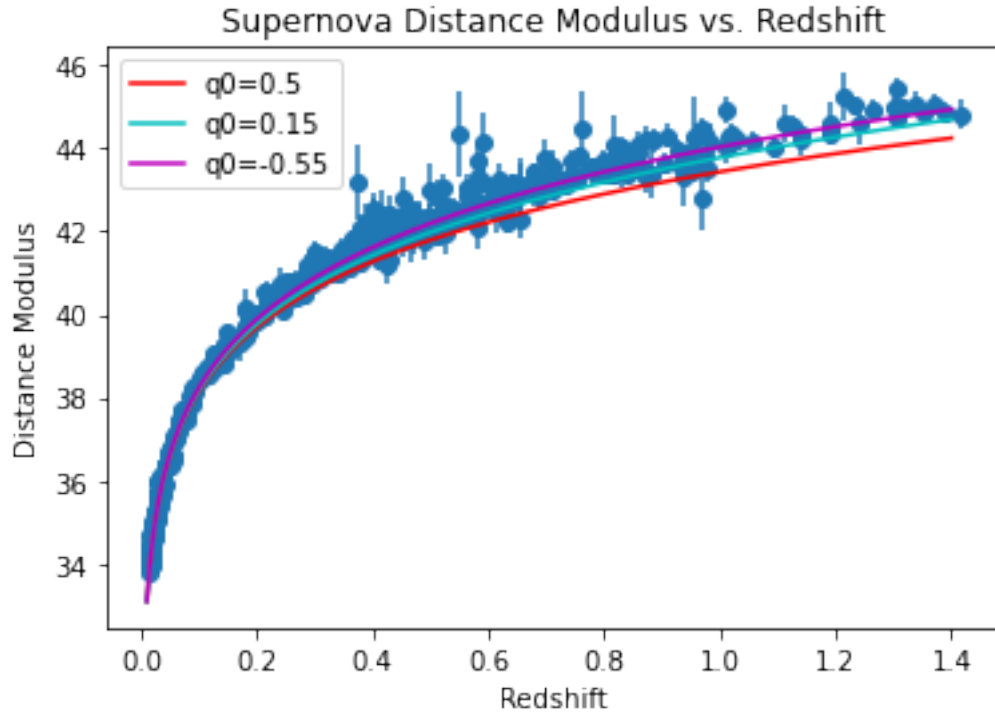
As a reminder, 1st universe is flat, and contains only matter ( $\Omega_{m,0} = 1, q_0 = 0.5$ ). 2nd universe is negatively curved, and contains only matter ( $\Omega_{m,0} = 0.3, q_0 = 0.15$ ). 3rd universe is flat, and contains both matter and a cosmological constant ( $\Omega_{m,0} = 0.3, \Omega_{\Lambda,0} = 0.7, q_0 = -0.55$ ). The data are best fitted by the third model.

```
[205]: plt.errorbar(sn_data["redshift"], sn_data["distance modulus"], yerr =
    ↪sn_data["distance modulus error"], xerr=None, fmt='o', zorder=0)

z_data = np.linspace(10**(-2), 1.4, num=300)

plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm_from_cosmology(1, 0, z_data), 'r', label="q0=0.5")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm_from_cosmology(0.3, 0, z_data), 'c', label="q0=0.
    ↪15")
plt.plot(z_data, calculate_dm_from_cosmology(0.3, 0.7, z_data), 'm',
    ↪label="q0=-0.55")

plt.xlabel('Redshift')
plt.ylabel('Distance Modulus')
plt.title('Supernova Distance Modulus vs. Redshift')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Here we clearly see that the benchmark model( $q_0=-0.55$ ) fits our data most.

Now let's use a grid of different combinations of  $\Omega_m$  and  $\Omega_\Lambda$  to calculate the expected values of distance modulus, and calculate its difference with the observed data.

```
[207]: omega_m = np.linspace(0, 2.5, num = 20)
omega_lambda = np.linspace(-1, 3, num = 20)
weights = 1 / np.array(sn_data["distance modulus error"]) ** 2

X, Y = np.meshgrid(omega_m, omega_lambda)
Z = np.copy(X)

for i in range(len(X)):
    for j in range(len(X[0])):
        m = X[i][j]
        labda = Y[i][j]
        dm_lst = calculate_dm_from_cosmology(m, labda, sn_data["redshift"])
        loss = weighted_mean_squared_error(dm_lst, sn_data["distance modulus"],
        weights)
        Z[i][j] = loss
```

```
/Users/shentingwei/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.9/site-
packages/cosmology/distance.py:102: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in
double_scalars
```

```
e_z = (omega_M_0 * (1+z)**3. +
```

```

/Users/shentingwei/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.9/site-
packages/cosmolopy/distance.py:167: IntegrationWarning: The occurrence of
roundoff error is detected, which prevents
    the requested tolerance from being achieved. The error may be
    underestimated.
    si.quad(_comoving_integrand, z0, z, limit=1000,
/Users/shentingwei/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.9/site-
packages/numpy/lib/function_base.py:2197: RuntimeWarning: invalid value
encountered in <lambda> (vectorized)
    outputs = ufunc(*inputs)
/Users/shentingwei/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.9/site-
packages/pandas/core/arraylike.py:364: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered
in log10
    result = getattr(ufunc, method)(*inputs, **kwargs)
/Users/shentingwei/opt/anaconda3/lib/python3.9/site-
packages/cosmolopy/distance.py:167: IntegrationWarning: Extremely bad integrand
behavior occurs at some points of the
    integration interval.
    si.quad(_comoving_integrand, z0, z, limit=1000,

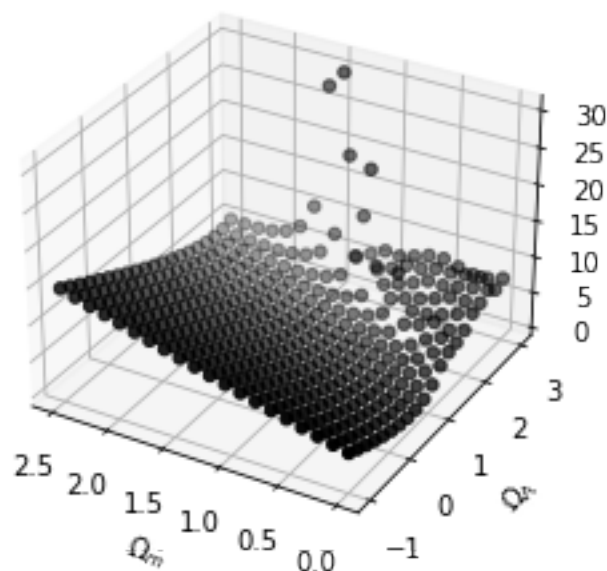
```

```

[208]: fig = plt.figure()
ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
ax.scatter(X, Y, Z, color='black')
ax.invert_xaxis()
ax.set_xlabel('$\Omega_m$')
ax.set_ylabel('$\Omega_{\Lambda}$')
ax.set_title('Mean Squared Loss on Observed data');

```

Mean Squared Loss on Observed data



The graph above shows how different cosmological constants produce different losses. We can observe that the loss is lower when  $\Omega_\Lambda$  is less than 1 and  $\Omega_m$  is less than 1. Let's see what combination produces the least mean square error loss comparing with our observed data.

```
[209]: ind = np.unravel_index(np.argmin(Z), X.shape)
        print("Best fit Omega_m:", X[ind], "\nBest fit Omega_Lambda:", Y[ind])
```

```
Best fit Omega_m: 0.39473684210526316
Best fit Omega_Lambda: 1.1052631578947367
```

```
[ ]:
```