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# The user guide

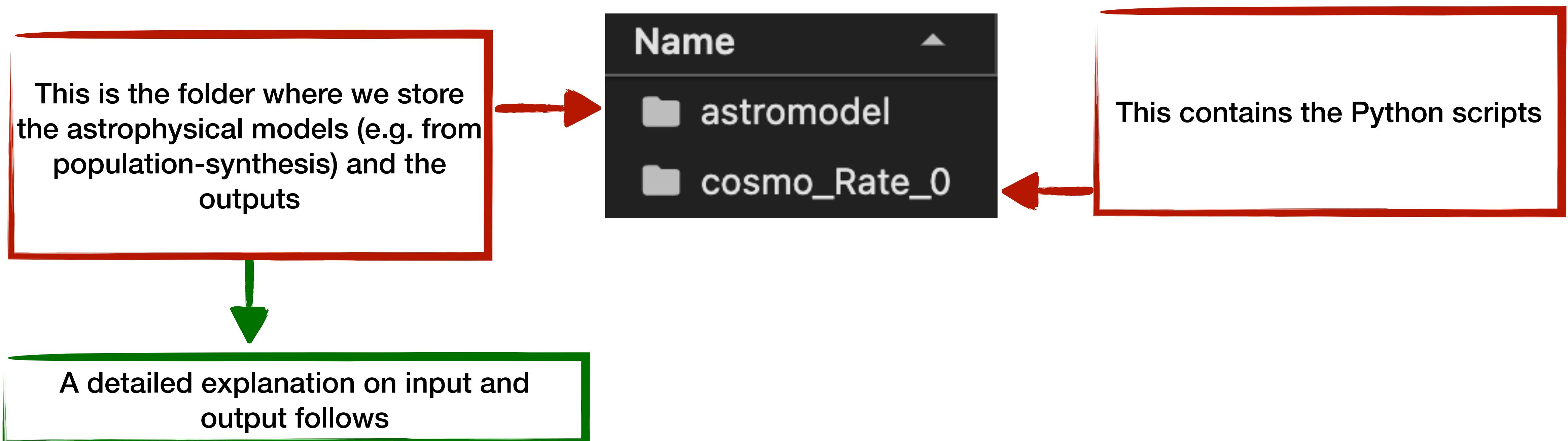
# download

- cosmoRate:
  - [https://gitlab.com/Filippo.santoliquido/cosmo\\_rate\\_public](https://gitlab.com/Filippo.santoliquido/cosmo_rate_public)

# Installation

- To be sure cosmoRate works on your laptop, we need to create a conda environment including all the necessary libraries:
  - `conda env create -f environment.yml`
  - `conda activate cosmo_env`
- The following command installs the conda environment on Jupyter lab as well:
  - `python -m ipykernel install --user --name=cosmo_env --display-name "cosmo_env"`

# What you get with cosmoRate



- **cosmoRate** is made of three Python scripts
- Here we focus on learning how to use **cosmo\_params.py**



How to run **cosmoRate**



Modify input parameters in  
**cosmo\_params.py**



Modify the file  
**cosmo\_rate\_notebook.ipynb**



Modify the file **cosmo\_functions.py**



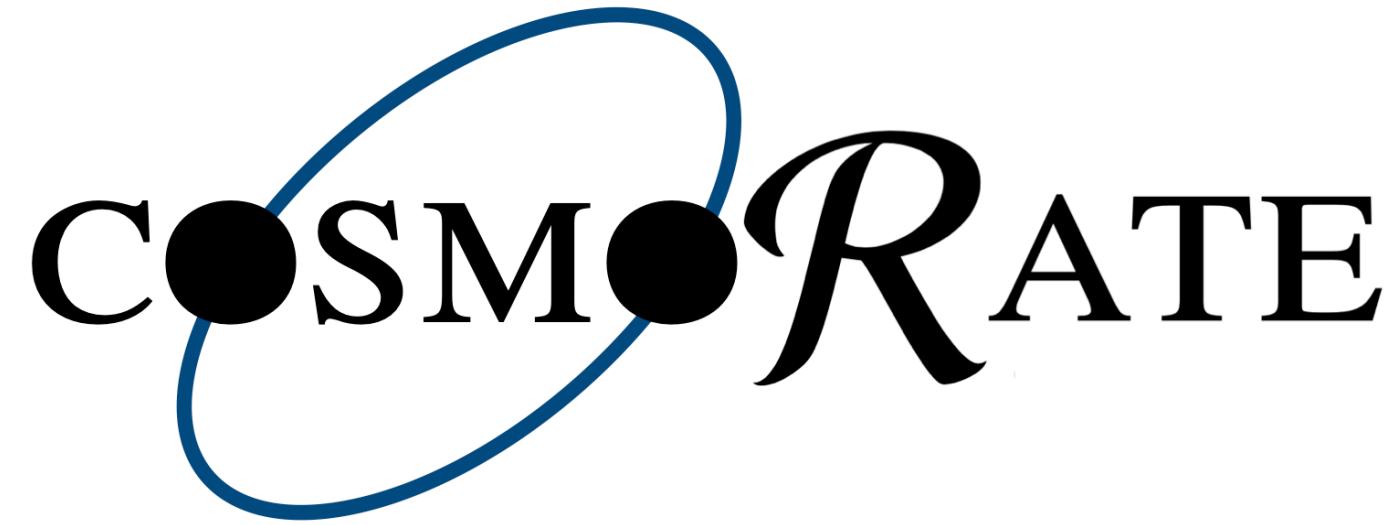
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# Level 1: How to run cosmoRate

- Two ways:
  - directly from the jupyter notebook **cosmo\_rate\_notebook.ipynb**
  - or by launching “**ipython cosmo\_rate\_notebook.py**” from the shell

# Level 2: How to modify `cosmo_params.py`

- Long list of parameters... most of them might not immediately clear to you
- That's why we need to have a look at **WHAT** `cosmoRate` does



Santoliquido et al. 2020:  
<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.09533.pdf>

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cosmoRate evaluates this equation, which is implemented in `cosmo_functions.py`

- cosmoRate evaluates the merger rate density by solving the above Equation. It basically counts how many compact objects merge at a given redshift
- You may ask yourself: how does the population of compact objects look like at a given redshift? cosmoRate also prints catalogs of merging compact objects
- These are the two main output of cosmoRate



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/ ... / A1.0 / all_channels /	
Name	Last Modified
output_cosmo_Rate	a month ago
data_BBH_0.0001.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.0002.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.0004.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.0006.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.0008.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.001.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.002.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.004.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.006.dat	3 months ago
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data_BBH_0.017.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.02.dat	3 months ago
data_BBH_0.03.dat	3 months ago

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These catalogs comes from population-synthesis (M0BSE, SEVN), dynamical formation channel, or others (e.g. FASTCLUSTER).

This is an example of how the input folder and the names of input files look like



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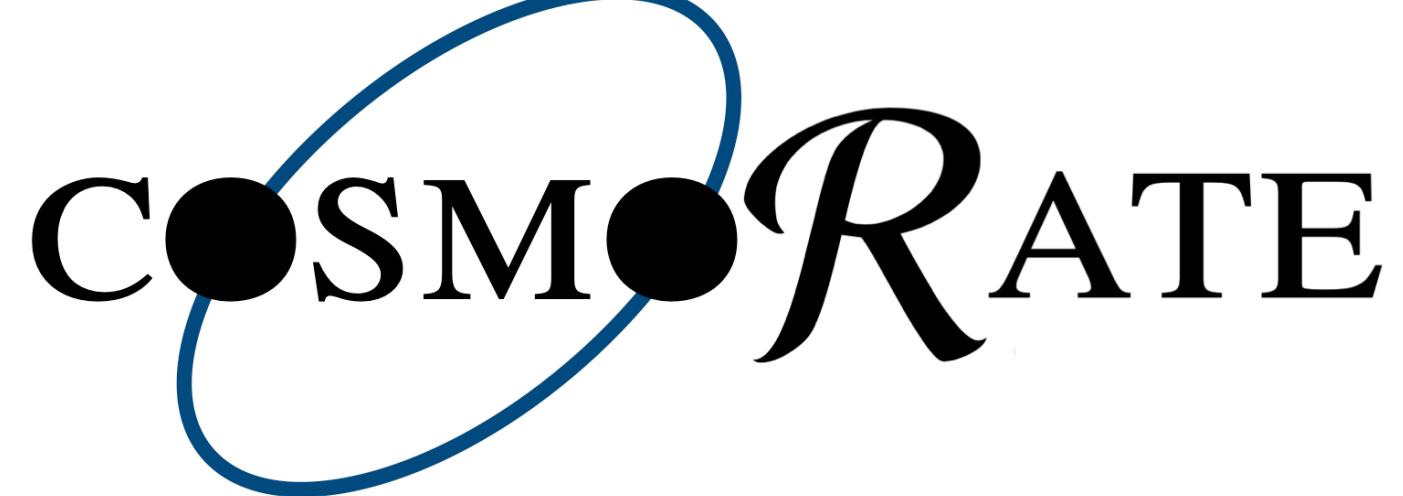
First row, first column: Total simulated mass in Msun

Each following row is a compact object merger, defined by  
 Column 0: delay time in years [WARNING: this is mandatory!]  
 Column 1- n: any other intrinsic parameter  
 (in the example here,  
 Column 1: primary mass m\_1 in Msun  
 Column 2: secondary mass m\_2 in Msun)

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	data_BBHs_0.0002.txt
1	215180664.01669434
2	2.7591700000000000e+07 2.5552600000000000176e+01 3.2588900000000000242e+01
3	1.0283900000000000e+07 1.681370000000000076e+01 2.140279999999999916e+01
4	2.5212700000000000e+07 8.191700000000000870e+00 8.944000000000000838e+00
5	9.9759000000000000e+06 1.6782499999999886e+01 2.3093099999999974e+01
6	3.2837500000000000e+07 7.5438999999999828e+00 8.2096000000000009e+00
7	1.2522100000000000e+07 1.8600899999999932e+01 2.93505000000000026e+01
8	3.4051900000000000e+07 7.7885999999999746e+00 1.3495300000000030e+01
9	2.8093230000000000e+08 7.6943999999999906e+00 6.9394000000000013e+00
10	1.3280700000000000e+07 2.06685000000000165e+01 2.6877099999999866e+01



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# Compact objects specificities (PopSynth / N-body)
# list of compact objects type
cb_class = ['BBH'] # it can be either 'BBHs', 'BHNS', 'BNSs' sys.argv[2] within the parentheses
# list of metallicity used from simulations, as float type, ascending order
# uncomment what you need!
#Z_simulated = [0.0002, 0.0004, 0.0008, 0.0012, 0.0016, 0.002, 0.004, 0.006, 0.008, 0.012, 0.016, 0.02]
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#Z_simulated = [1e-11]

formation_channel = 'iso' # formation channel type (iso, dyn, popIII)

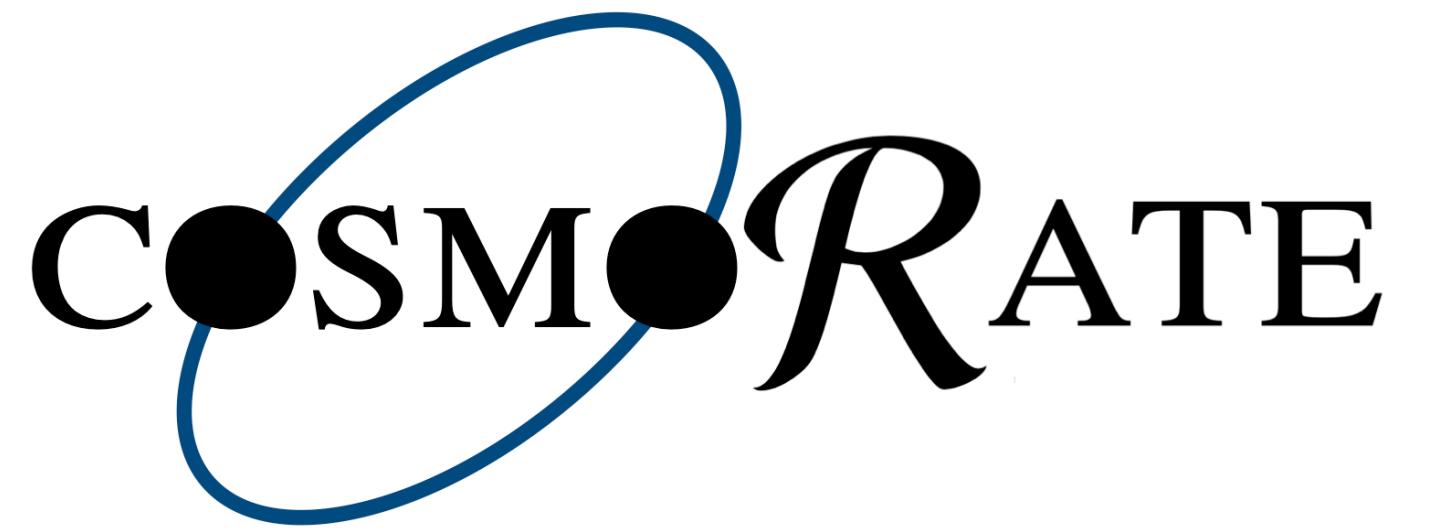
# this parameter is used to select your astrophysical model and
# in naming the output catalog files (i.e values of alpha, SN model type...)
#sim = 'popI_II/popII_I_for_comp/fiducial_Hrad_5M/A1.0'
#      'popI_II/popII_I_for_comp/fiducial_Hrad_5M_channels/A1.0/all_channels'
sim = sys.argv[1]

#it can be either sys.argv[1] or a string ( e.g. 'A5', 'popI_II/popII_I_for_comp/fiducial_pisnfarmer19/A1.0' ,
'')

sim_name = 'MandF2017_met' # it can be equal to sim or selected by the user
                           # WARNING: if sim is a path, sim_name must be not a path!
extension = '.dat' # also include the dot

```

- In the first part of `cosmo_params.py` you set all the parameters that refer to the input catalogs.
- For instance, the compact object type, the list of progenitor metallicity, the specific simulations



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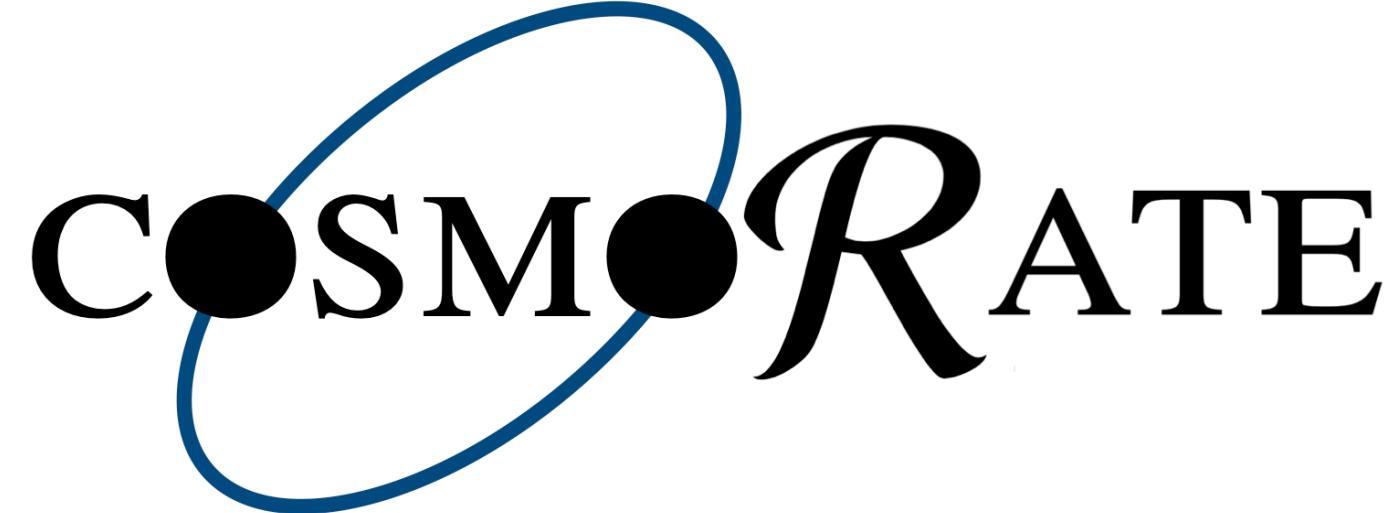
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The `formation_channel` variable sets two quantities. 1) The fraction of star-formation rate happening in binary systems 2) the correction due to not sampled initial mass function (IMF). For example, channel '`iso`' sets the binary fraction to 50%, while channel '`popIII`' does not apply any correction for IMF. Details on this are provided in the main Jupyter notebook



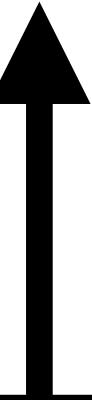
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SFRD( $z', Z$ )  $\mathcal{F}(z', z, Z)$

Injected catalogs

$$\text{SFRD}(z, Z) = \psi(z) p(Z|z)$$



- cosmoRate couples these **injected catalogs with a distribution of star-formation rate density (SFRD)** as function of redshift and metallicity.
- The second part of `cosmo_params.py` refers to the parameters setting this distribution of SFRD

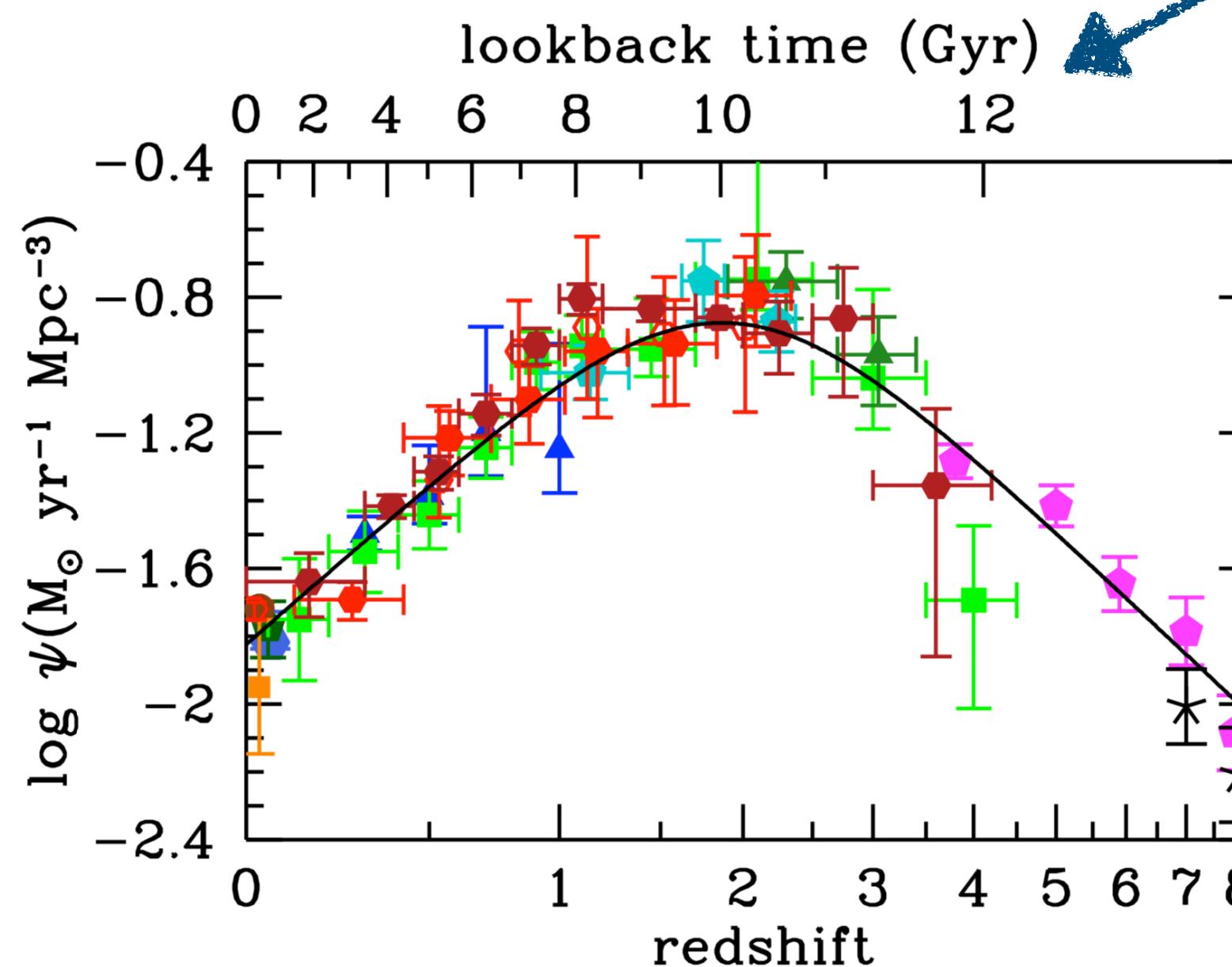
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[Madau & Dickinson 2014](#), [Madau & Fargas 2017](#)

```
#####
# select the population of stars
pop = 'I-II' # it can be 'III' or 'I-II'

# for popI-II star, 'MandF2017' is the only option available
# for popIII you can choose from many options:
# 1. 'A-sloth_smooth_off'
# 2. 'Hartwig16'
# 3. 'DeSouza_smooth_off'
# 4. 'Jaacks'
# 5. 'LiuBromm'
# for other options see cosmo_rate_notebook.ipynb
# or sys.argv[2]
SFRD_model = 'MandF2017'
```

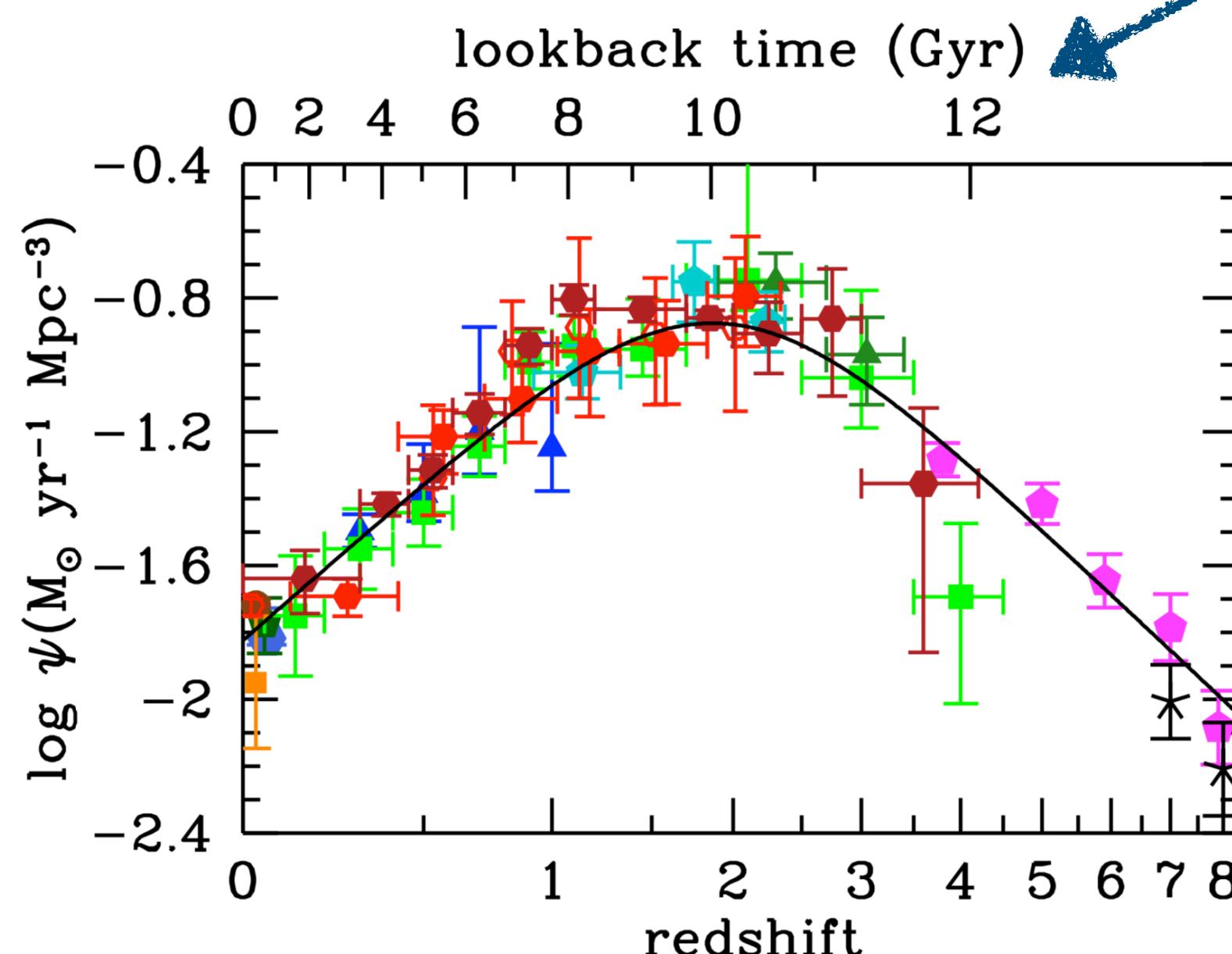
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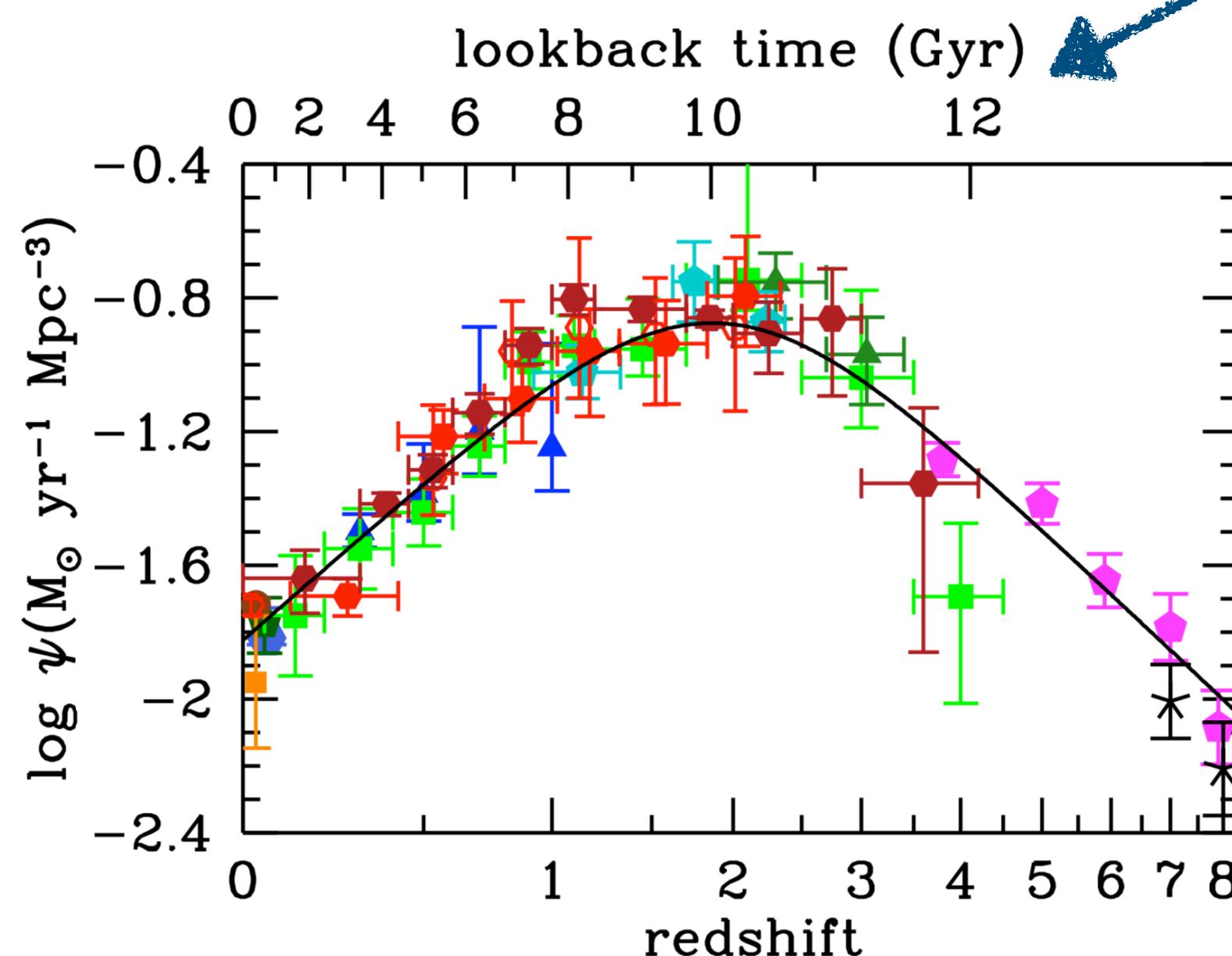
$$p(Z|z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \sigma_Z^2}} \exp \left\{ - \frac{[\log(Z/Z_\odot) - \mu(z)]^2}{2\sigma_Z^2} \right\}.$$

The **distribution of metallicities at fixed redshift** is by default a **gaussian** distribution. Here we can change the mean and the spread. The mean  $\mu(z)$  is a function of redshift and for the model ‘linear’ we also know the uncertainty

[Madau & Dickinson 2014](#), [Madau & Fargas 2017](#)

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```
# Choose the model for average metallicity fit type
metmod_type = 'MandF2017' # it can be 'linear' or 'MandF2017'
sigma_met = 0.20 # value of the metallicity spread in log-sun-scale
# it can be 0.10, 0.20, 0.30 or sys.argv[3]

# Definition of Solar metallicity
Z_sun = 0.019 # 0.0153 from Cauffau et al. 2011
# 0.019 from Gallazzi et al. 2008
```

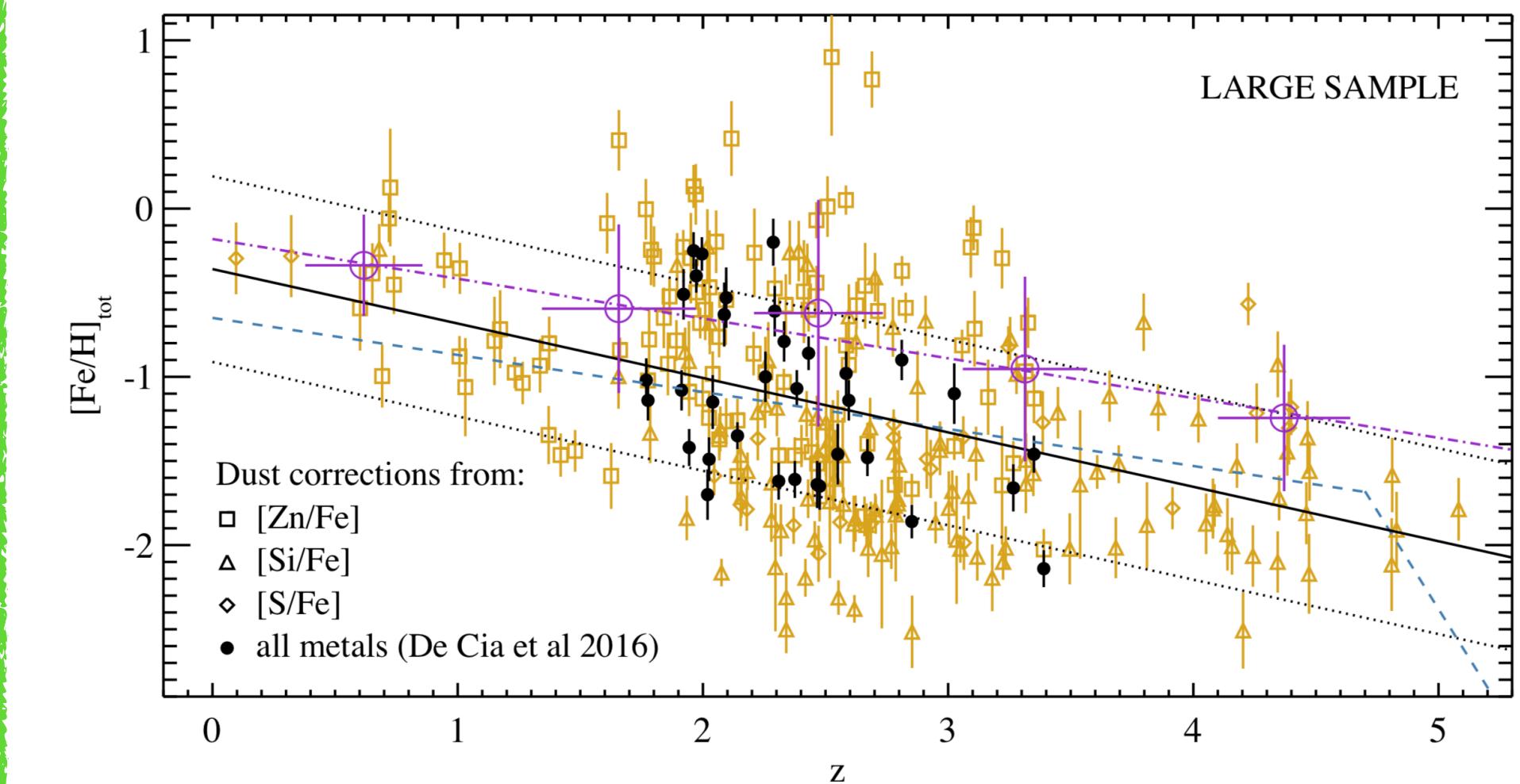
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# Level 2: How to modify `cosmo_params.py`

- `cosmoRate` has other useful features:
  - Propagate known sources of uncertainty on the merger rate density

For example, the ‘linear’ model is extracted from the metallicity evolution of neutral hydrogen ([De Cia et al. 2018](#)). The model we implemented is the purple line in the figure, which is a linear fit. `cosmoRate` can propagate the uncertainty of slope and intercept on the merger rate density via a Monte Carlo approach. Each time it samples a value of slope and intercept forms a gaussian distribution. How to switch on this features is explained in the next slide.



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```
# Here you set if cosmo_Rate evaluates also the uncertainty through a Monte Carlo approach
N_iter = 1 # number of iteration to be done for evaluating the uncertainty. In any case, it must be at least one!
# 1000 iterations are enough to perform a robust estimation of the uncertainties

# metallicity
met_uncertainty = 'No' # if 'Yes' the uncertainty due to metallicity will be computed
met_slope_sprd = 0.014 # 0.14 for linear metallicity model or 0.014 from 'MandF2017'
met_inter_sprd = 0.14 # from Gallazzi et al. 2008

# star formation rate option
sfr_uncertainty = 'No' # if 'Yes' the uncertainty due to sfr will be computed,
# spread over the normalisation value
sfr_sprd = 0.2 # from Madau & Dickinson 2017
```

# Level 2: How to modify cosmo\_params.py

- Creating catalogs of merging compact objects at some given redshift bins

```
catalogues_c = 'Yes' # if 'Yes' merging compact object per redshift bin are produced
mrd_eval = 'Yes' # this option is to skip the evaluation of the merger rate density in case
# it has been already done in previous runs

# specify the redshift bins of which you want to have the catalogs printed
# WARNING: The code will search for the closest available redshift bin!
z_vect_cat_op = False
#[30, 25, 20, 17, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0.1]
# some other options:
#[14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0.1]
#[20, 11, 5, 0.1]
# if this option is set to False the catalogs will be printed at every merger redshift
#[30, 25, 20, 17, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0.1]

# Specify what parameters cosmoRate will sample. The order of the parameter names must be exactly
# the same as the order of the corresponding column in input_catalogs/
# delay time is sampled by default.
# The number of parameters can be smaller than the total number of paramters given as input.
# Leave parameters = [] if in your catalogs you want just time-delay related parameters,
# i.e. merging redshift, formation redshift, delay time and progenitor star metallicity
parameters = ['ID', 'M1[Msun]', 'M2[Msun]']
```

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```

WARNING: the order of parameter names in the array parameters must be exactly the same as in your input catalogs!

```
# i.e. merging_reasnlc, formation_reasnlc, decay_time and progenitor_star_metallicity
parameters = ['ID', 'M1[Msun]', 'M2[Msun]']
```

# cosmoRate output

/ ... / output_cosmo_Rate / sigma0.2 /	
Name	Last Modified
BBH	3 months ago
SFRD_plot_MandF2017_met_MandF2017.pdf	a month ago

1. One folder per each compact object type
2. A plot of the adopted SFRD model

BBH_MandF2017_met_MandF2017_z9.62_50_SFR_pw.dat	a month ago
BBH_MandF2017_met_MandF2017_z9.77_50_SFR_pw.dat	a month ago
BBH_MandF2017_met_MandF2017_z9.92_50_SFR_pw.dat	a month ago
m1_dist_MandF2017_met_BBH_MandF2017_SFR_pw.pdf	a month ago
MRD_plot_MandF2017_met_BBH_MandF2017_SFR_pw.pdf	a month ago
MRD_spread_15Z_50_No_MandF2017_0.2_No_No_False_MandF2017_0.dat	a month ago
Sampled_parameters_15Z_50_No_MandF2017_0.2_No_No_False_MandF2017_0.dat	a month ago
z_form_dist_MandF2017_met_BBH_MandF2017_SFR_pw.pdf	a month ago
Zperc_z_15Z_50_No_MandF2017_0.2_No_No_False_MandF2017_50_0_SFR_pw.dat	a month ago

Catalogs of merging compact objects at a given redshift (e.g. 9.92, 9.77, 9.62)

This contains the merger rate density at a given redshift

# cosmoRate output

```
≡ MRD_spread_15Z_50_No_M ×  
1 #Redshift Merger_Rate_Density[Gpc^-3yr^-1]  
2 7.5757575757524620e-02 9.999916614617394117e+00  
3 2.2727272727266268e-01 1.162545328129738387e+01  
4 3.7878787878780074e-01 1.393256901156849281e+01  
5 5.3030303030293879e-01 1.645152655180917023e+01  
6 6.818181818181816567e-01 1.797975387254746948e+01  
7 8.33333333333330373e-01 1.855869690584141551e+01  
8 9.8484848484844179e-01 1.904926877060518819e+01  
9 1.136363636363635798e+00 1.997089741730858137e+01
```

```
≡ BBH_MandF2017_met_Mar ×  
1 #ID M1[Msun] M2[Msun] z_merg z_form time_delay[yr] Z_progenitor  
2 3304345.00000 30.32970 26.32721 0.07576 14.92424 13186997527.04119 0.00010  
3 3566223.00000 31.37294 24.66961 0.07576 14.92424 13008058858.42008 0.00010  
4 4949627.00000 22.47323 17.41708 0.07576 14.92424 13467649911.29968 0.00010  
5 220280.00000 39.08434 32.70891 0.07576 14.92424 11612581593.33620 0.00010  
6 4085742.00000 37.72191 27.38235 0.07576 14.92424 13304820193.02670 0.00010  
7 2277682.00000 43.57659 40.35687 0.07576 14.92424 13455617795.50724 0.00010  
8 3276481.00000 27.34489 21.45434 0.07576 14.92424 13237437606.31335 0.00010  
9 3682468.00000 38.62225 30.58141 0.07576 14.92424 12471478414.62328 0.00010
```

Merger rate density file  
First column: middle of the redshift bin  
Merger rate density in Gpc<sup>-3</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup>

- 1.
- 2.

Catalog of merging compact objects

**WARNING: storage usage may be very high!**