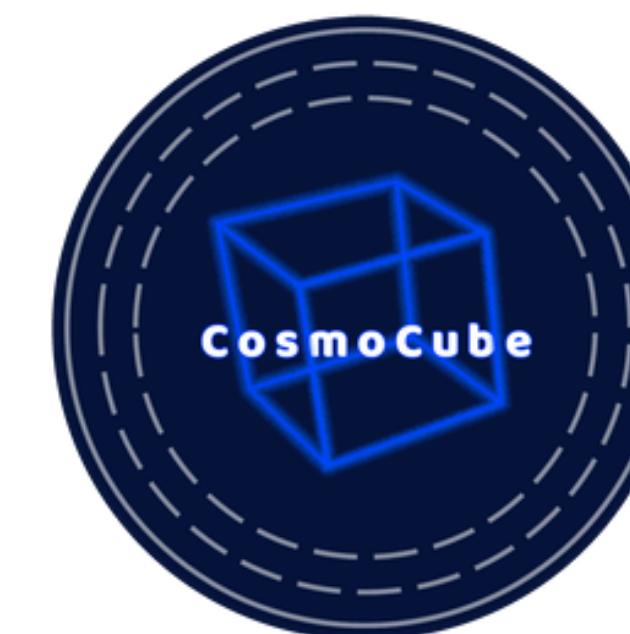
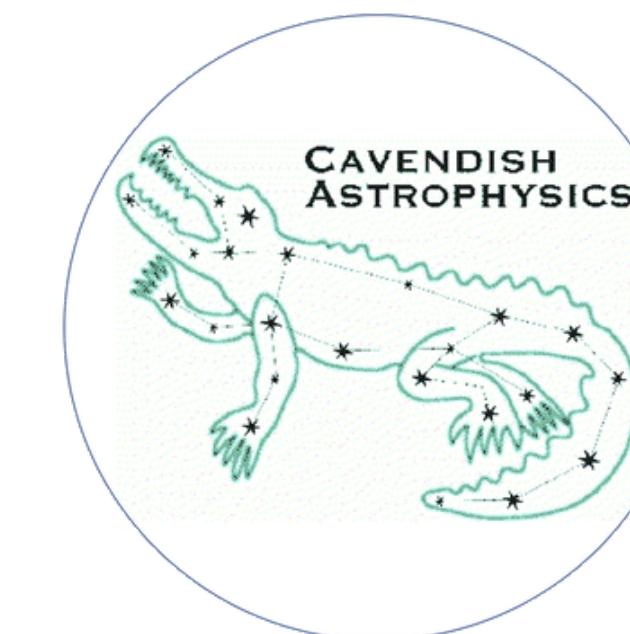
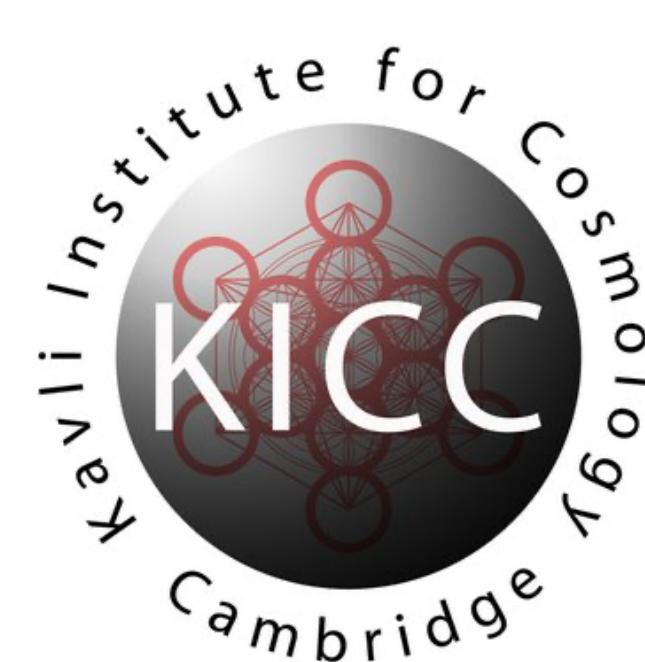


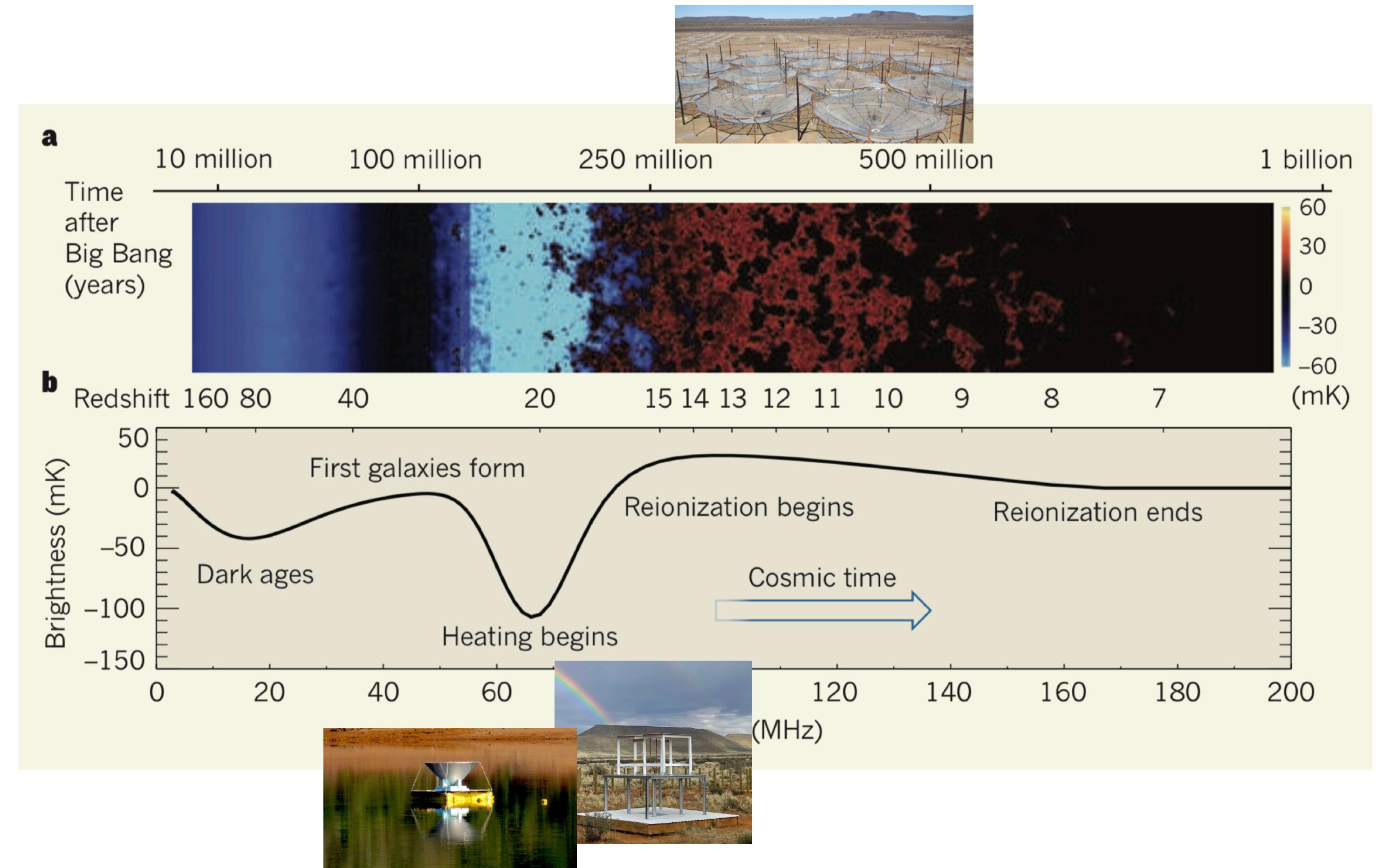
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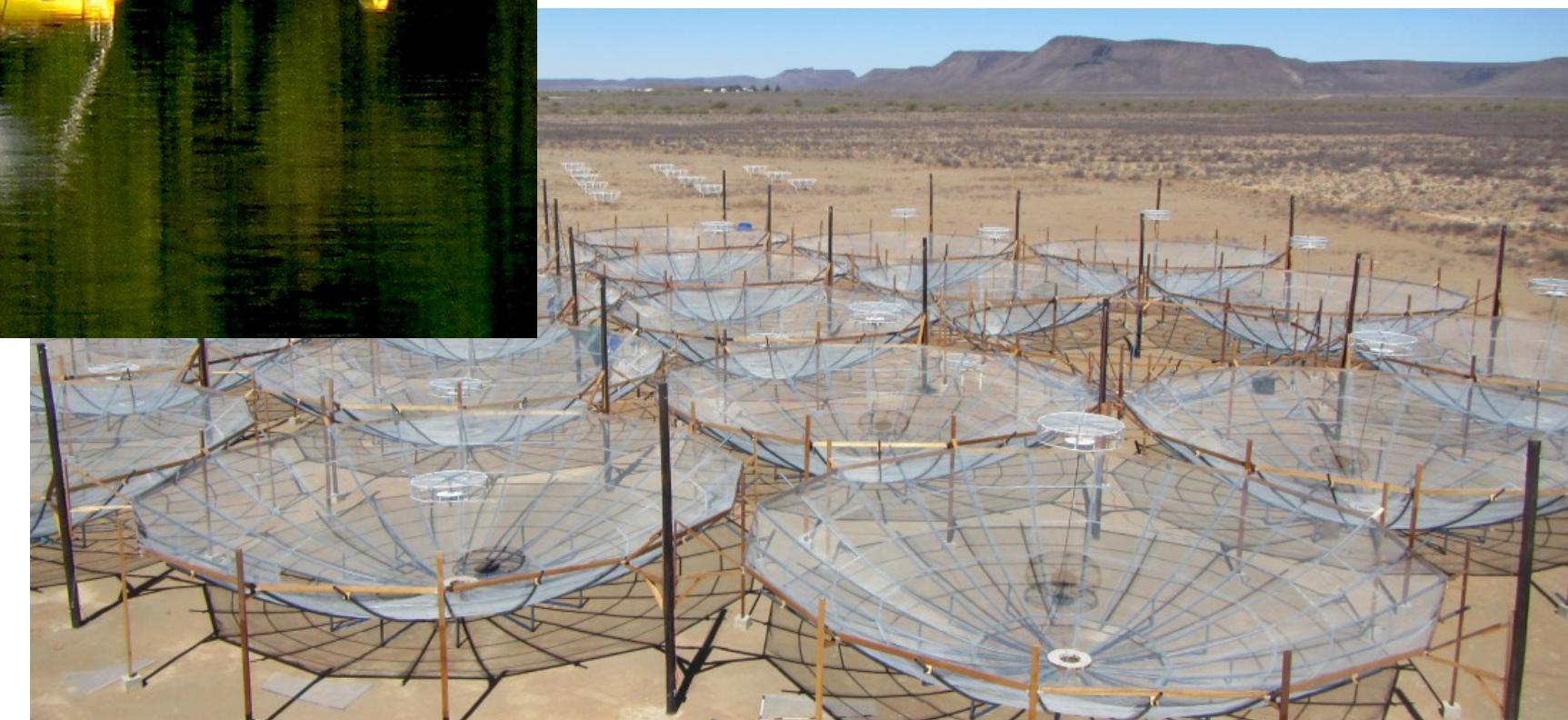
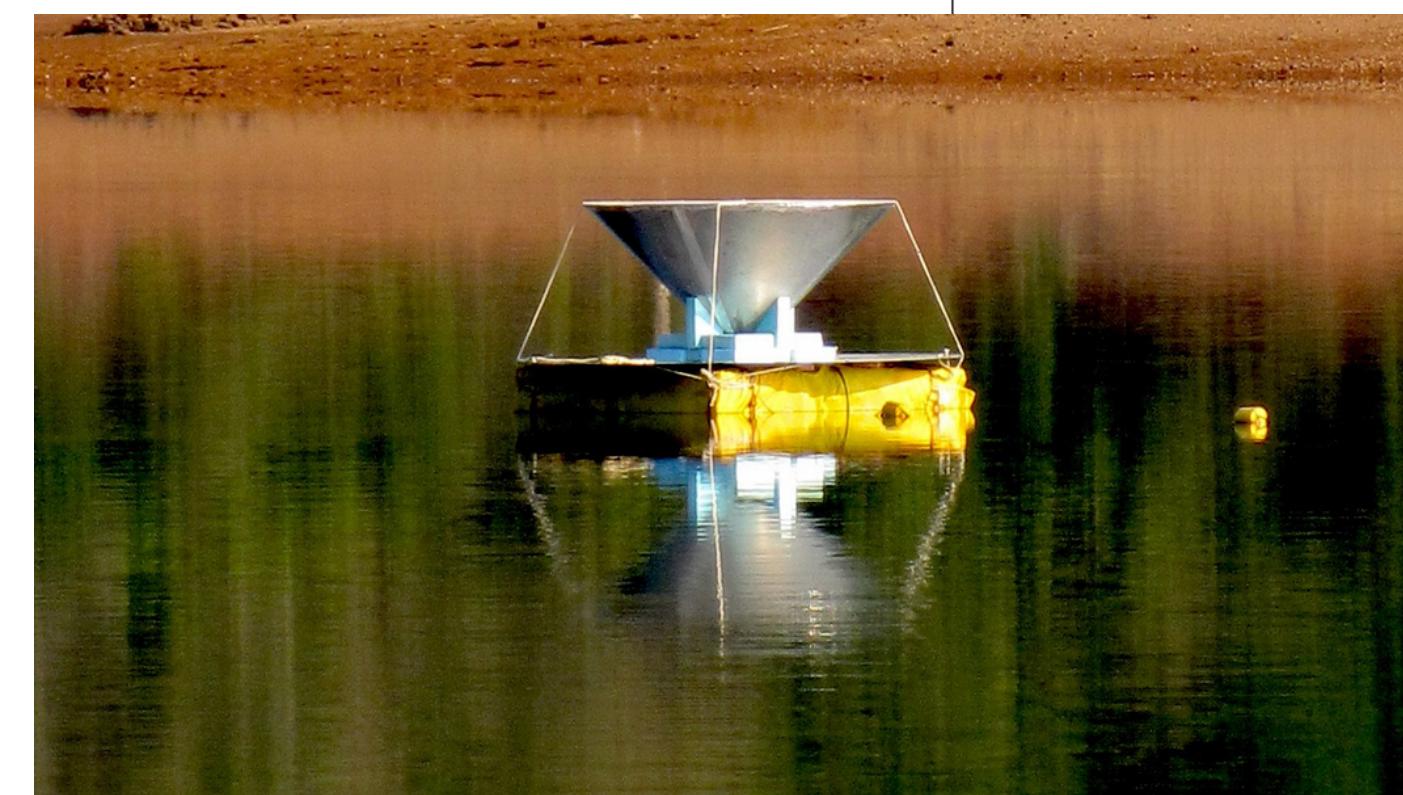
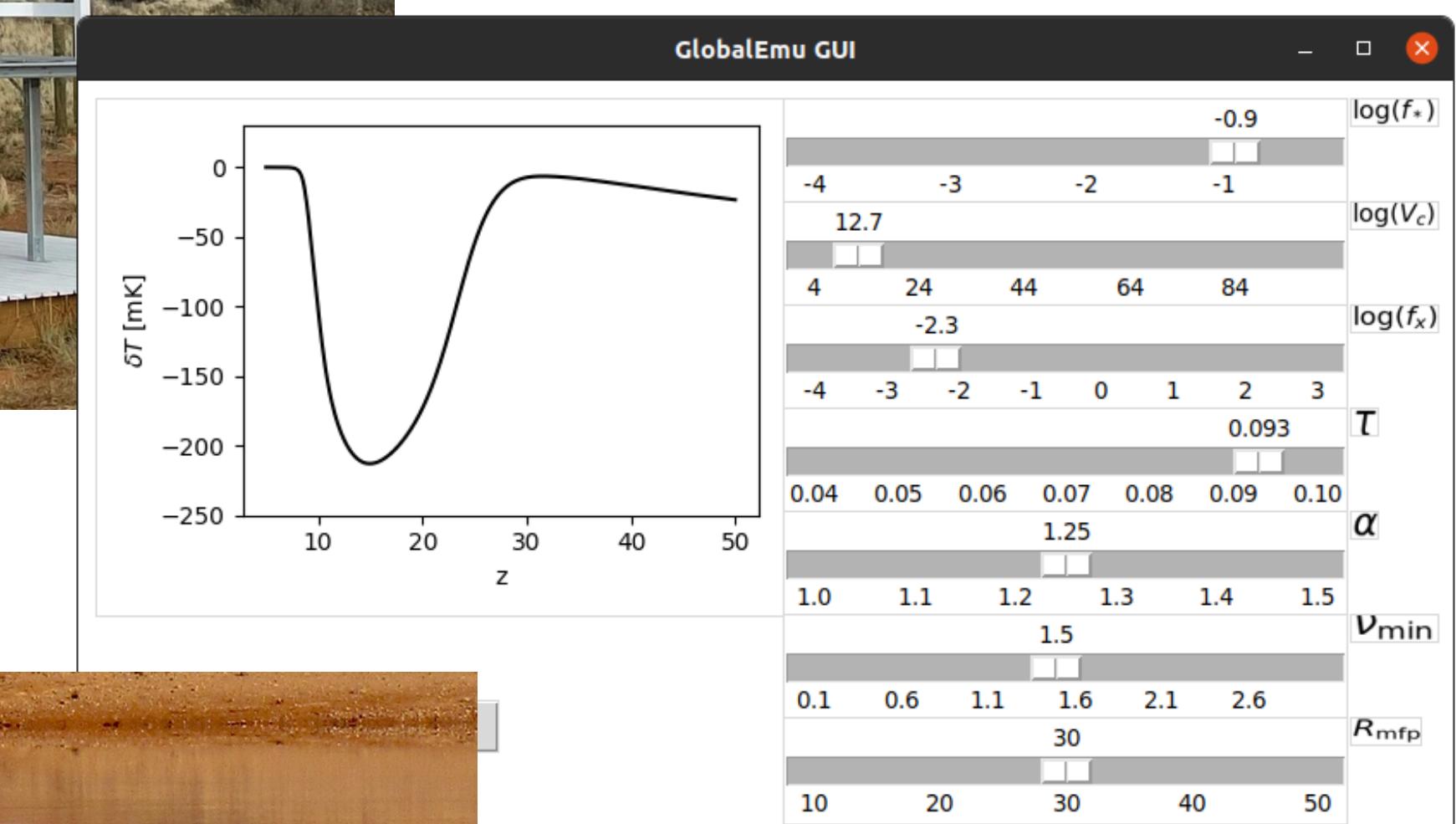
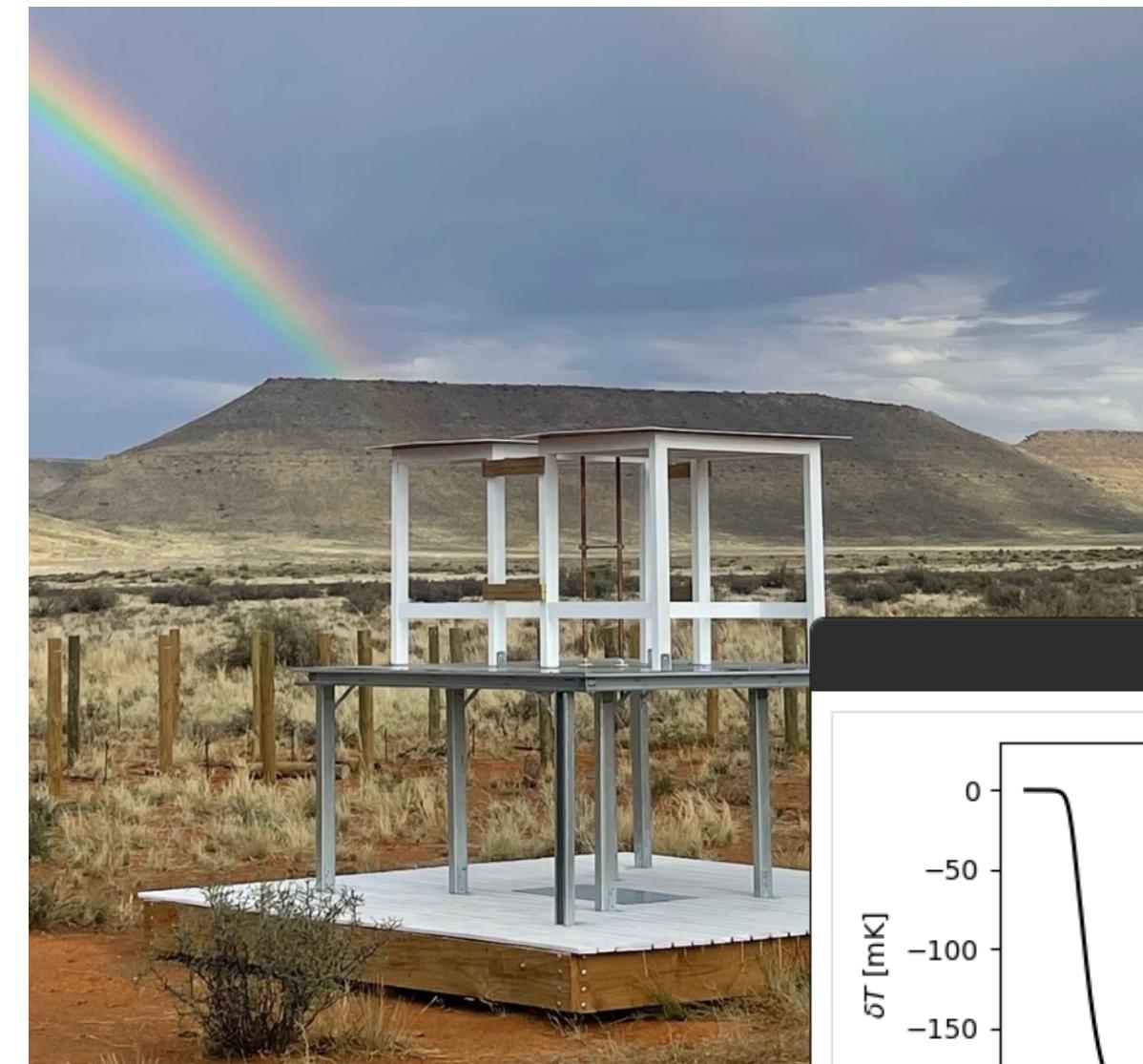
21-cm Cosmology

- Redshifted 21-cm emission from neutral hydrogen
- Differential measurement with radio background
- Measure sky-averaged signal and fluctuations with power spectrum
- Informs us about cosmology in Dark Ages
- And astrophysics at cosmic dawn and EoR



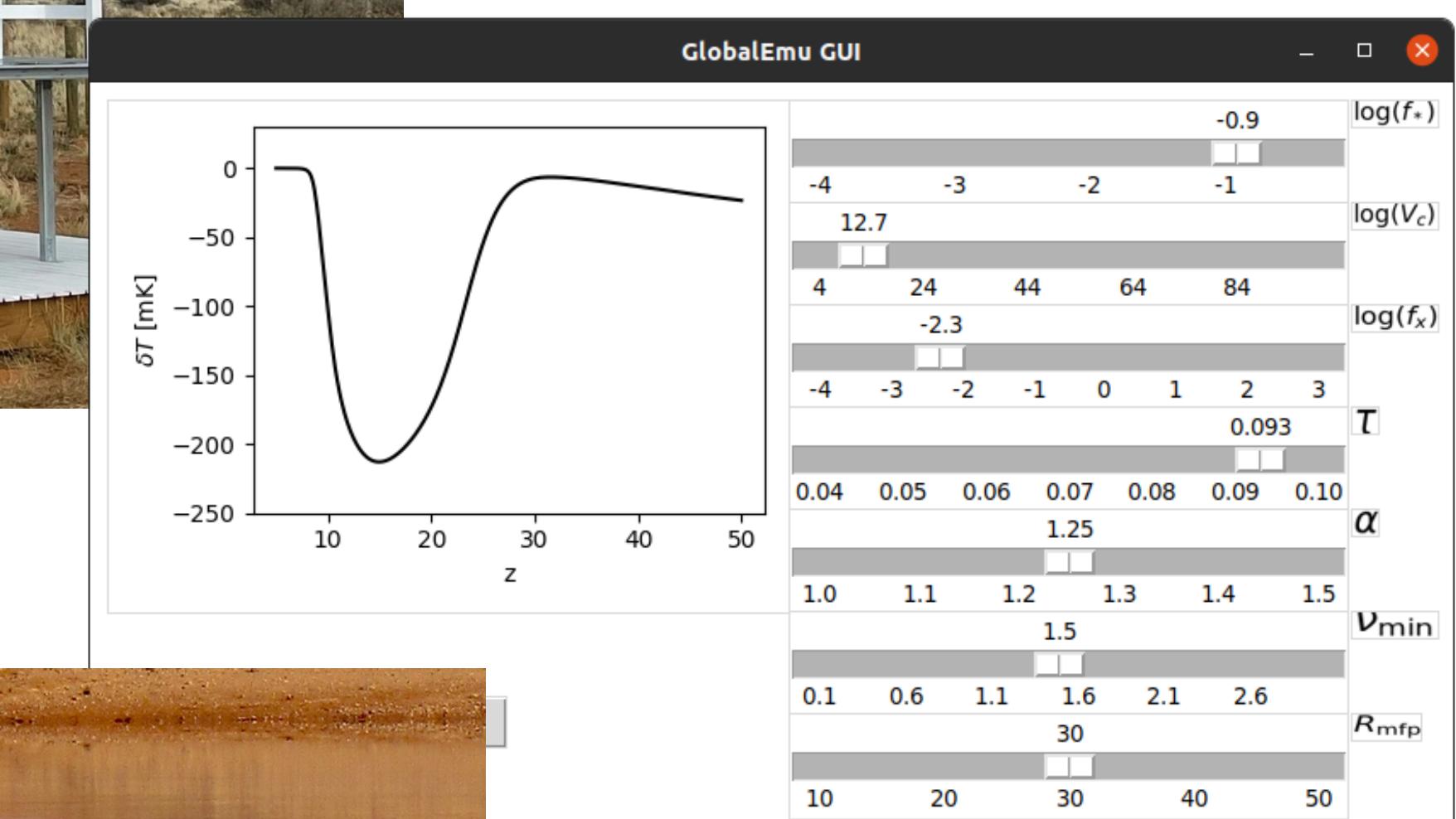
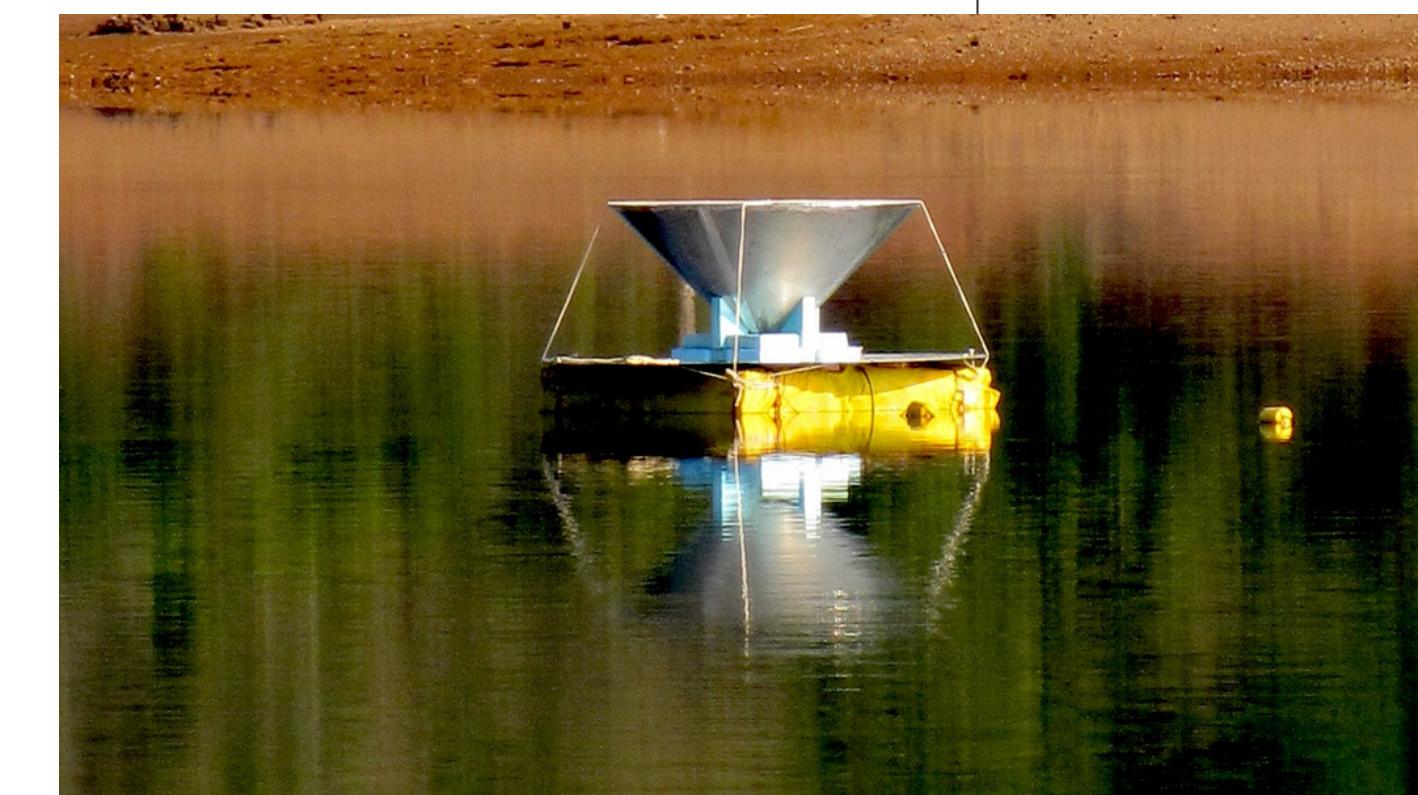
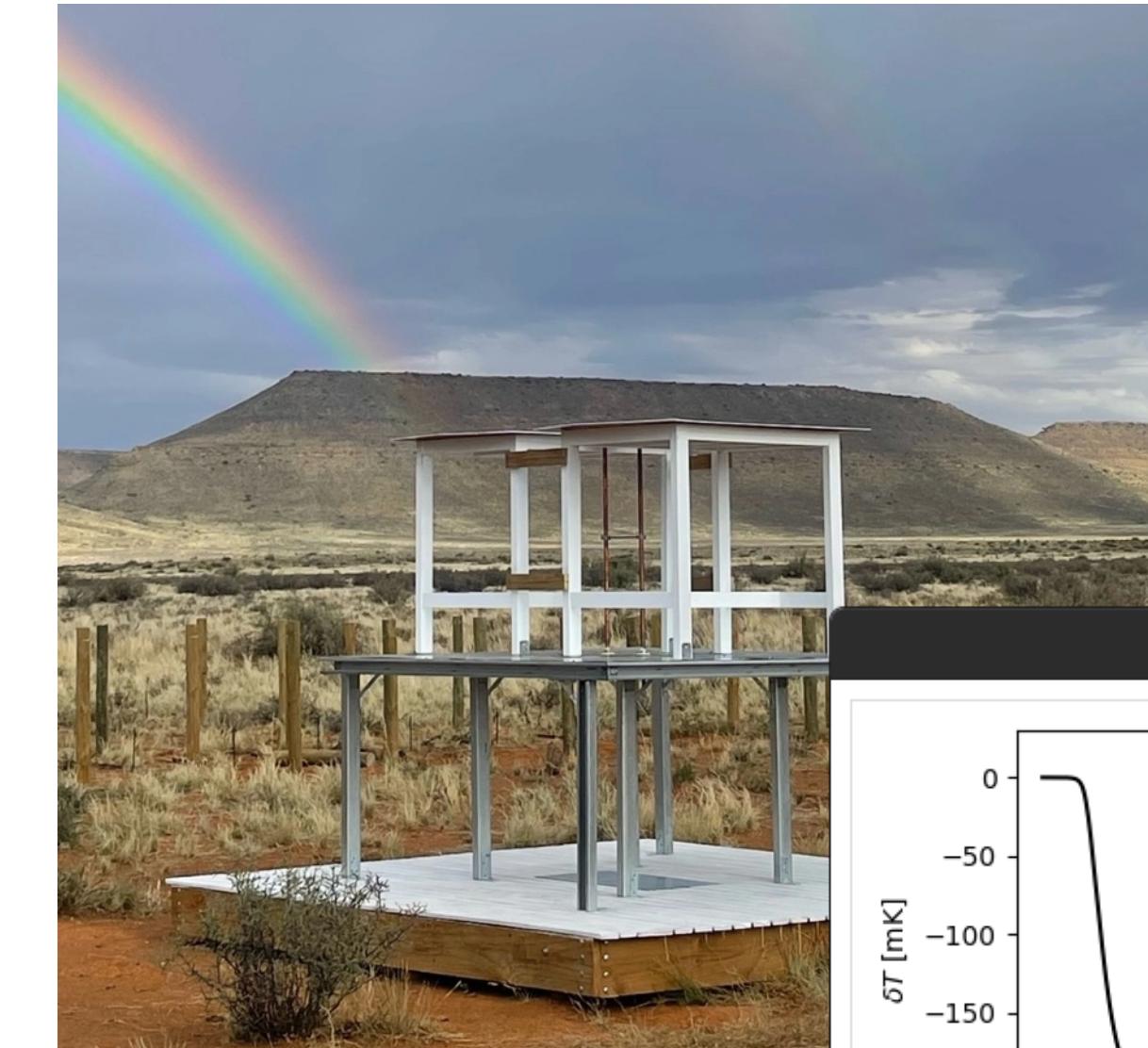
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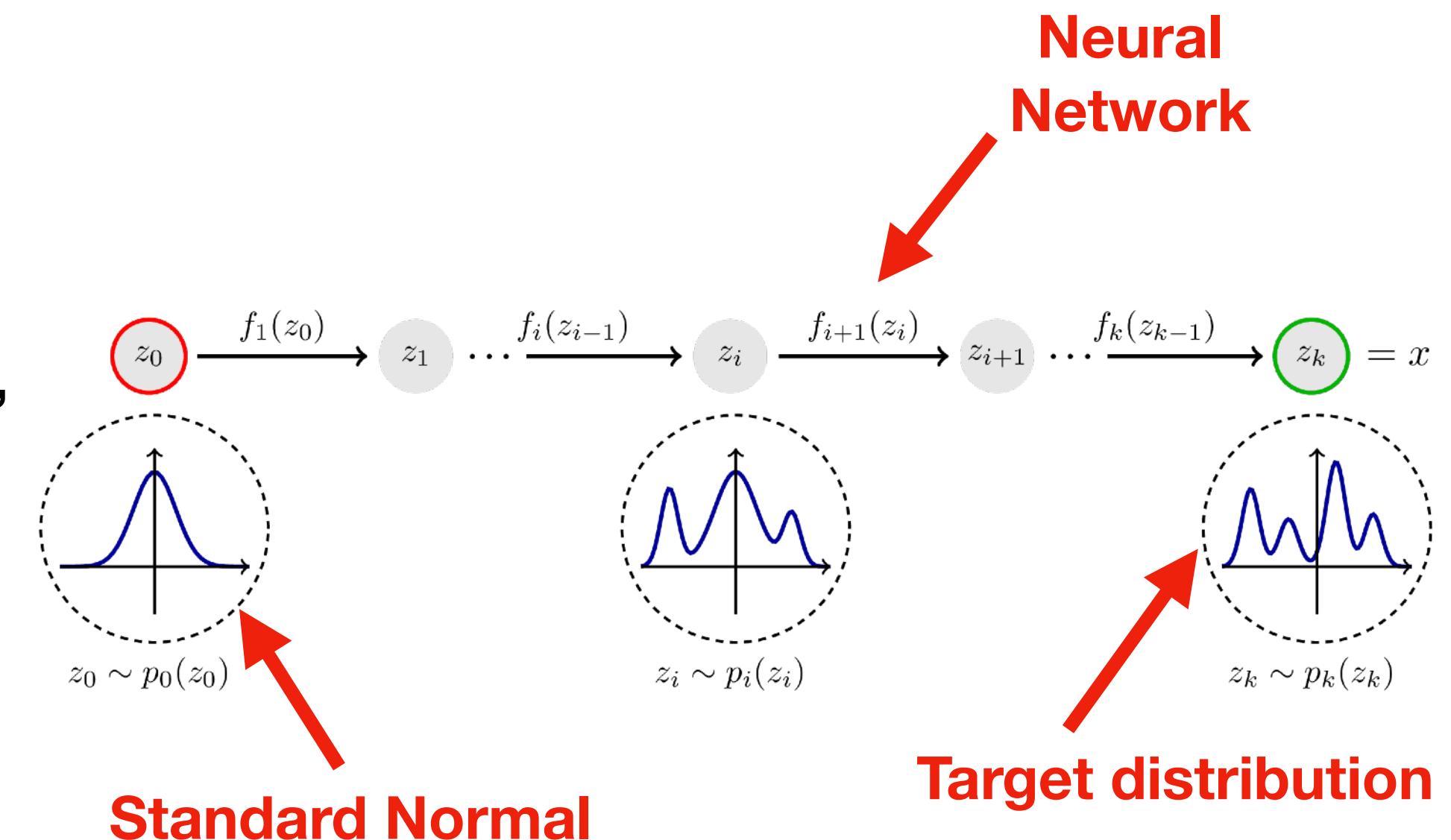
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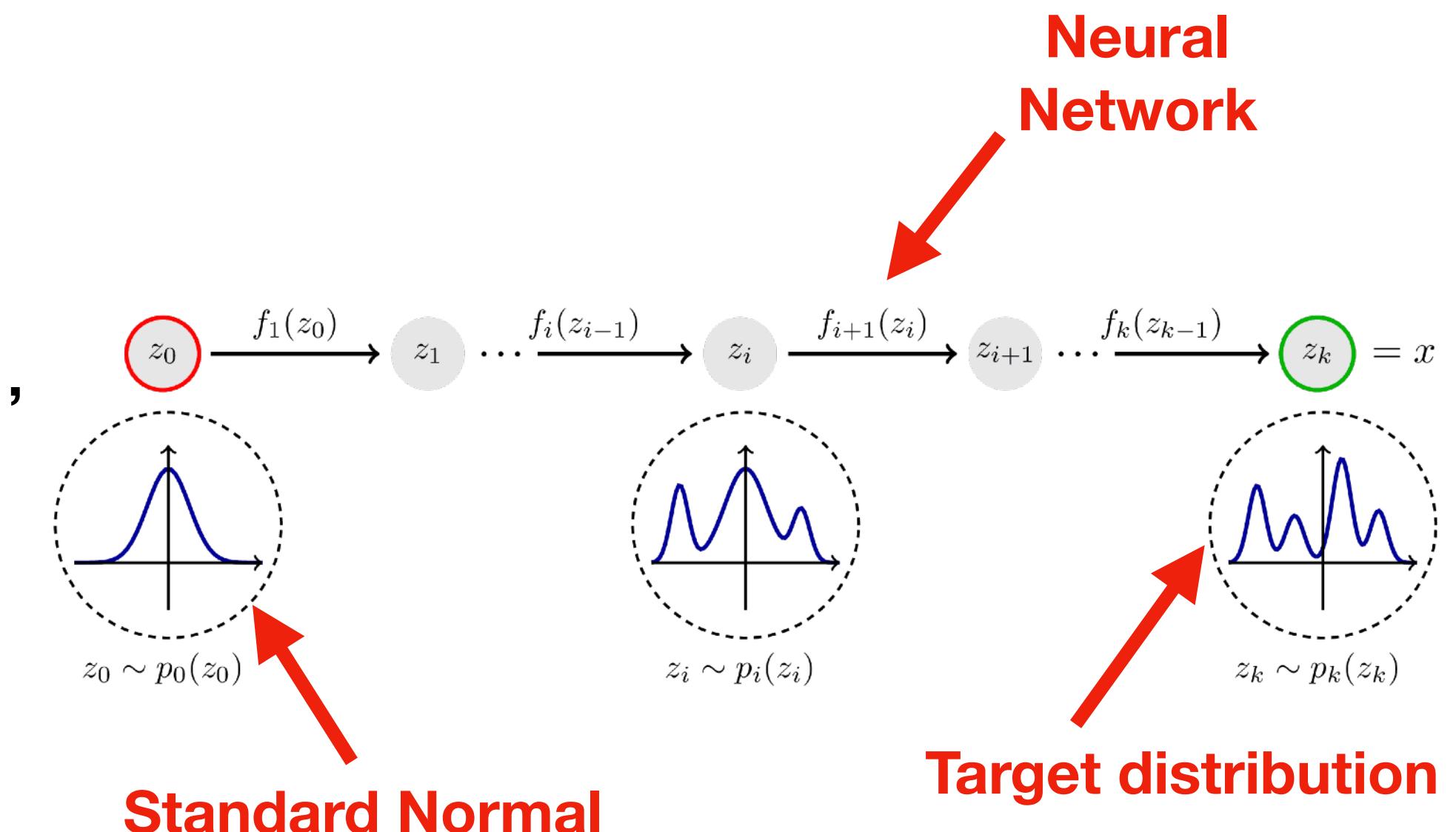
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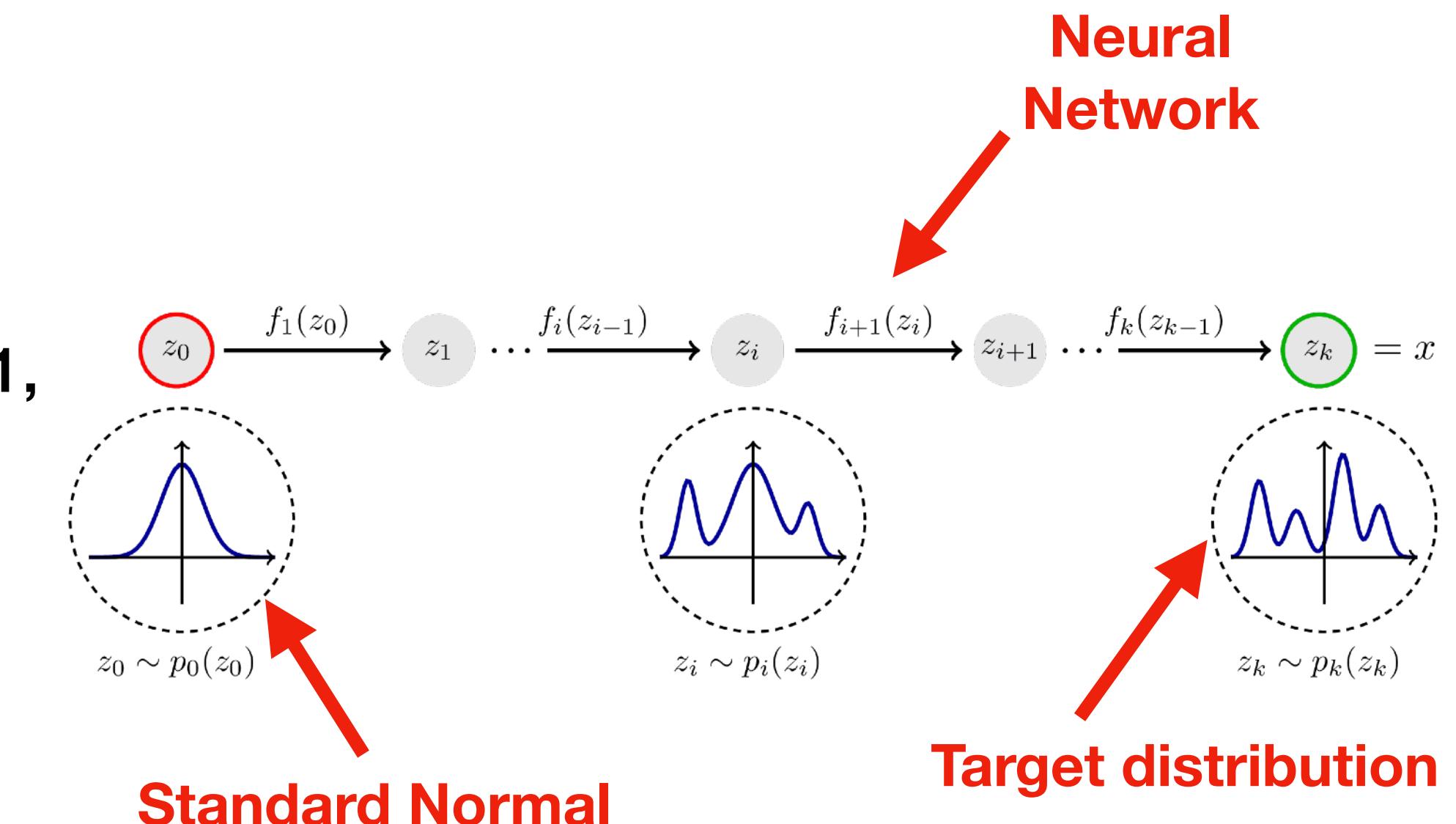
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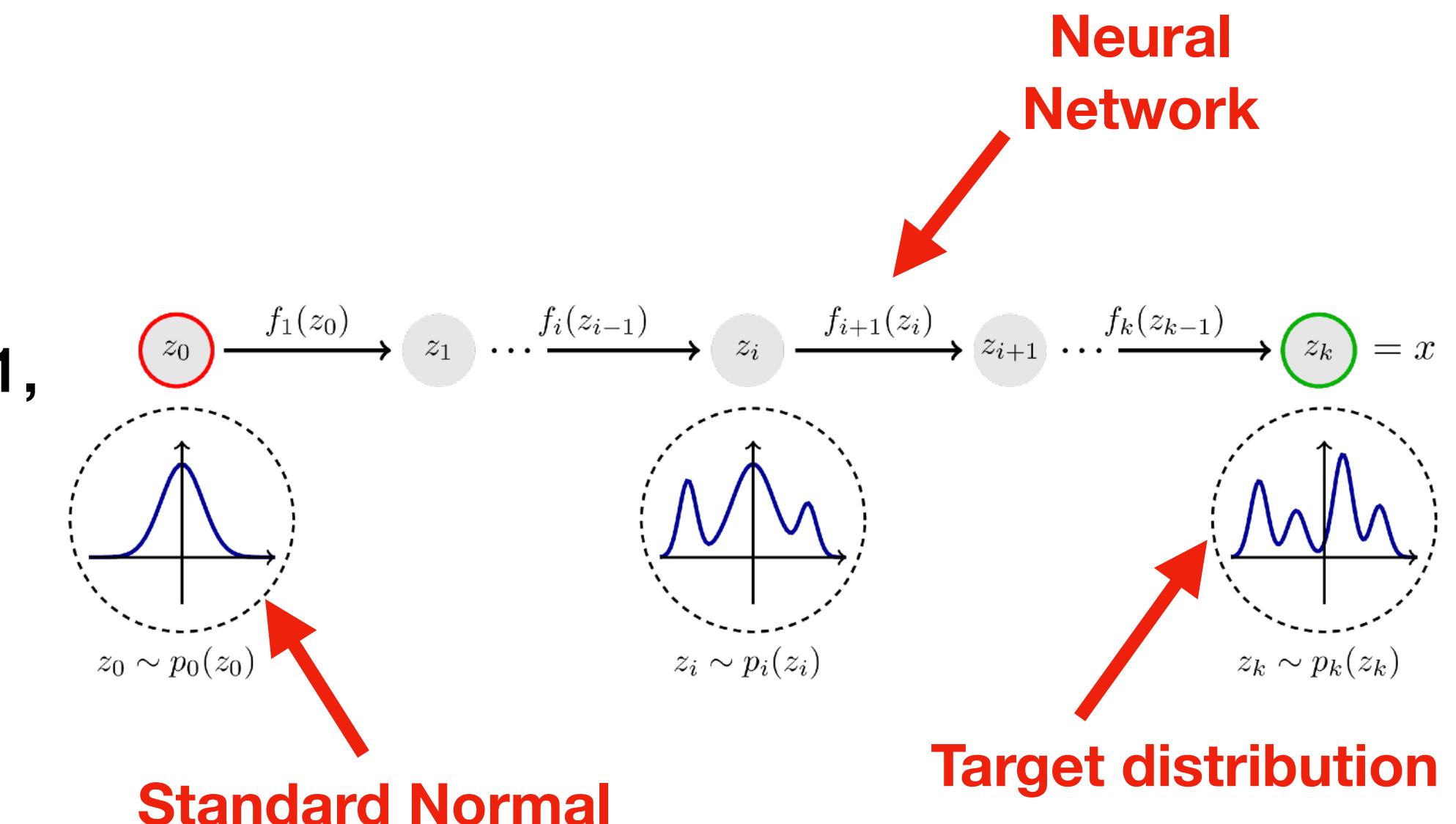
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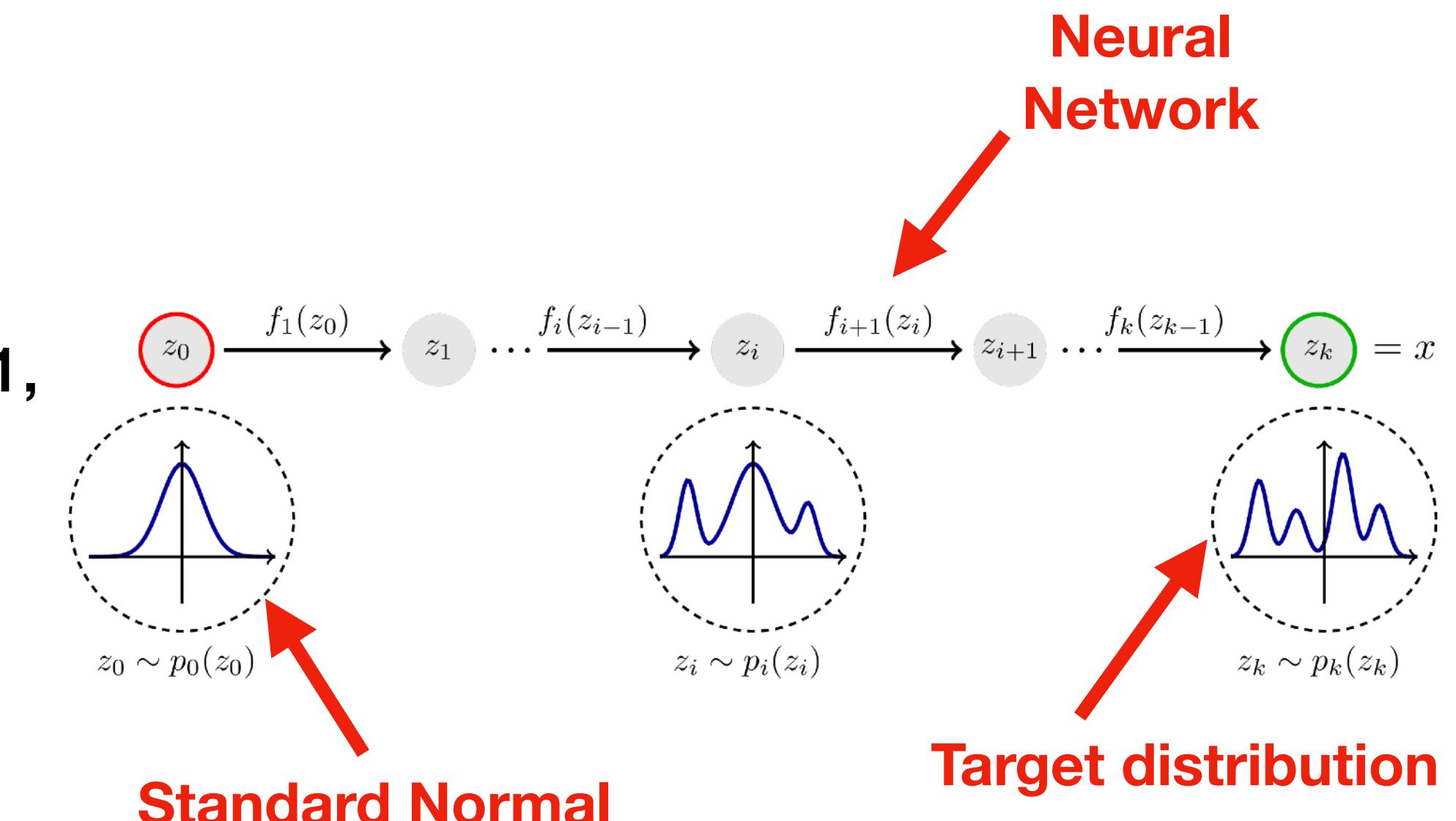
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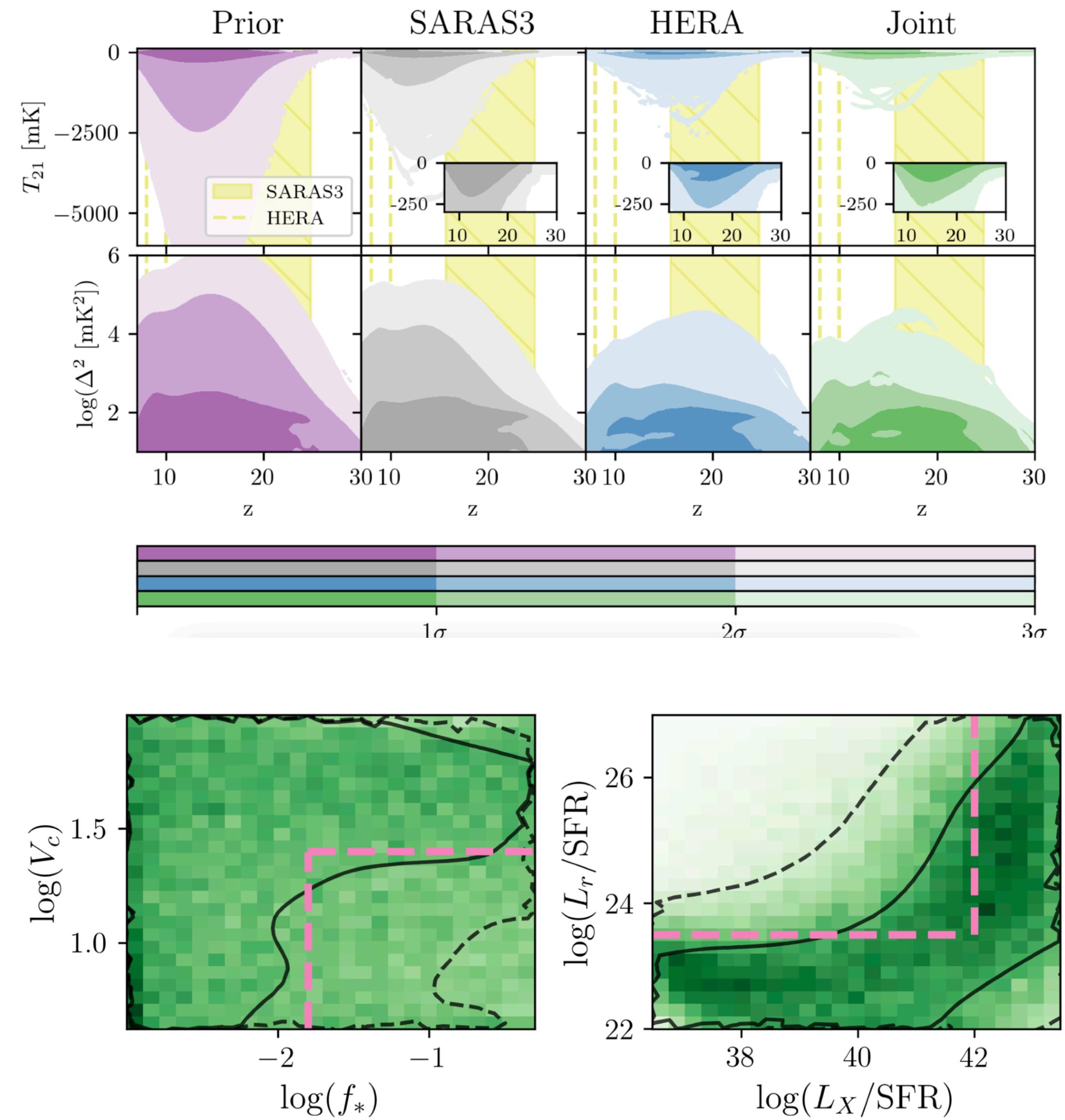
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First (model dependent) constraints on the first stars?

- Joint analysis of HERA and SARAS3 with Normalizing Flows
- Constraining the magnitude of the sky-averaged 21-cm signal and power spectrum
- Weak constraints on X-ray and radio luminosities of early galaxies
- Weak constraints on star formation properties

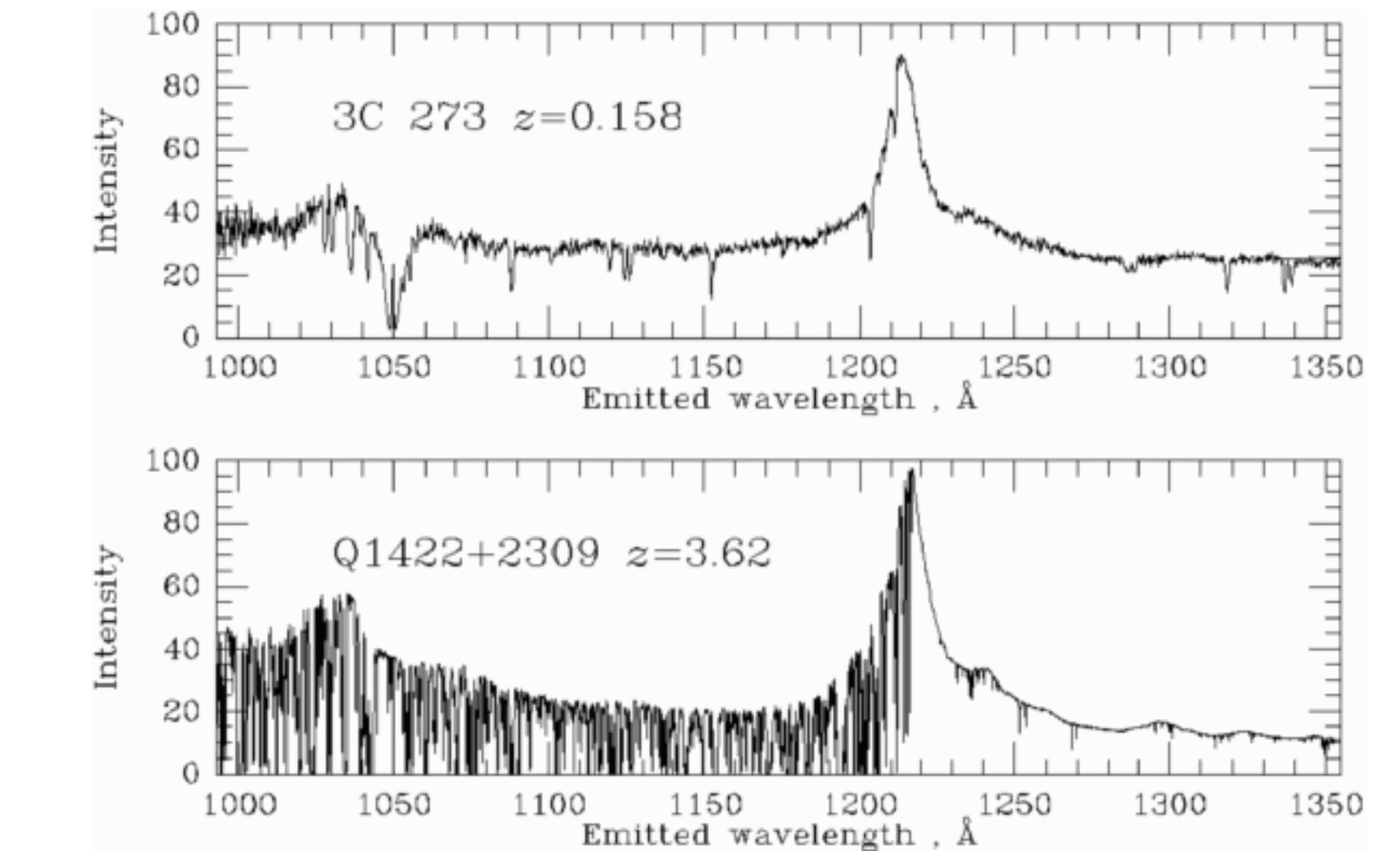


Where next - Applications of NFs and the future of *margarine*?

- 21-cm observations plus JWST (Jiten Dhandha and Anastasia Fialkov) and Lyman- α forest

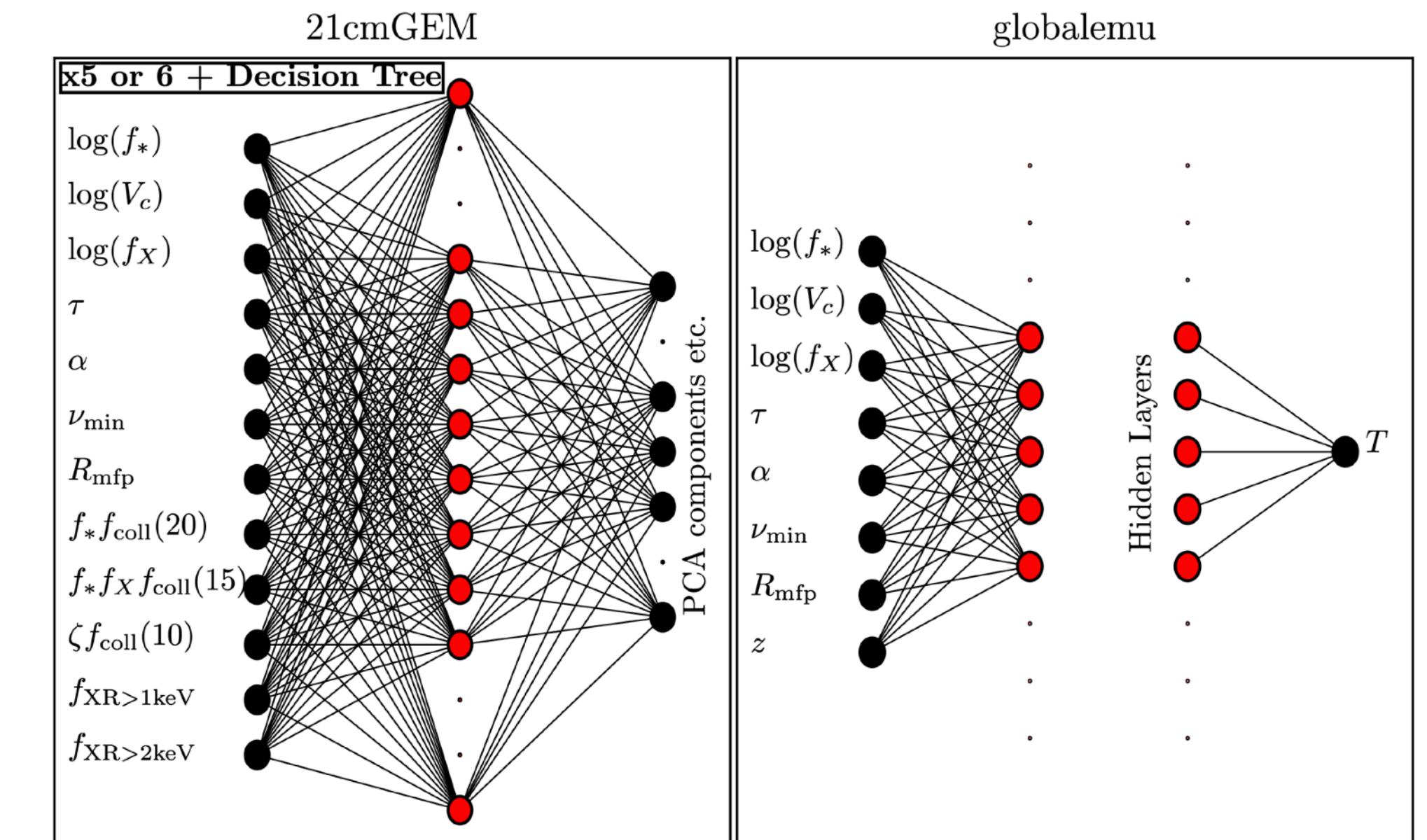
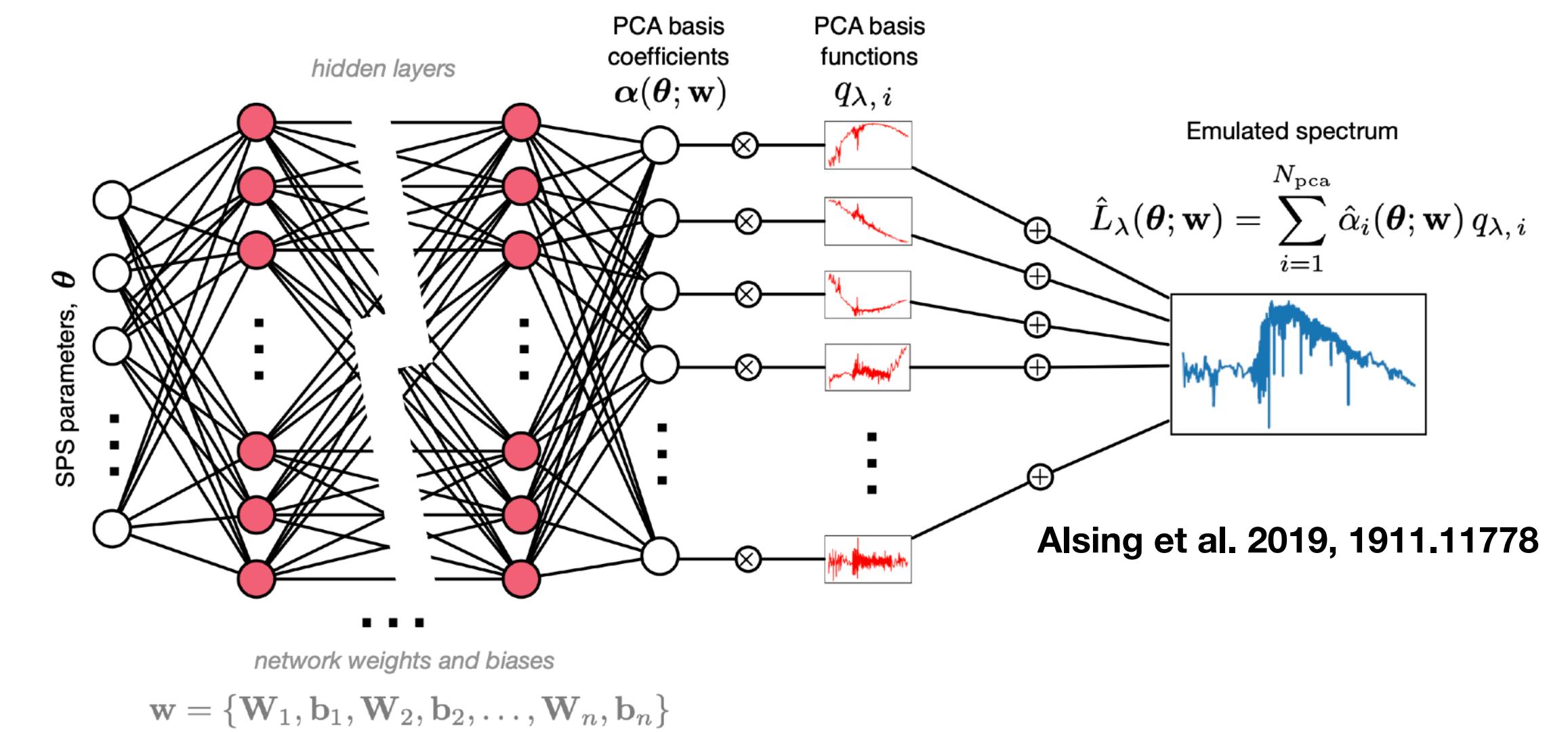
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- β -flows and Piecewise Normalizing Flows
- NF accelerated Nested Sampling
- Applications of NFs to Gravitational Wave studies (Metha Prathaban and Will Handley)
- *unimpeded* library of cosmological likelihood emulators (Dily Ong and Will Handley)



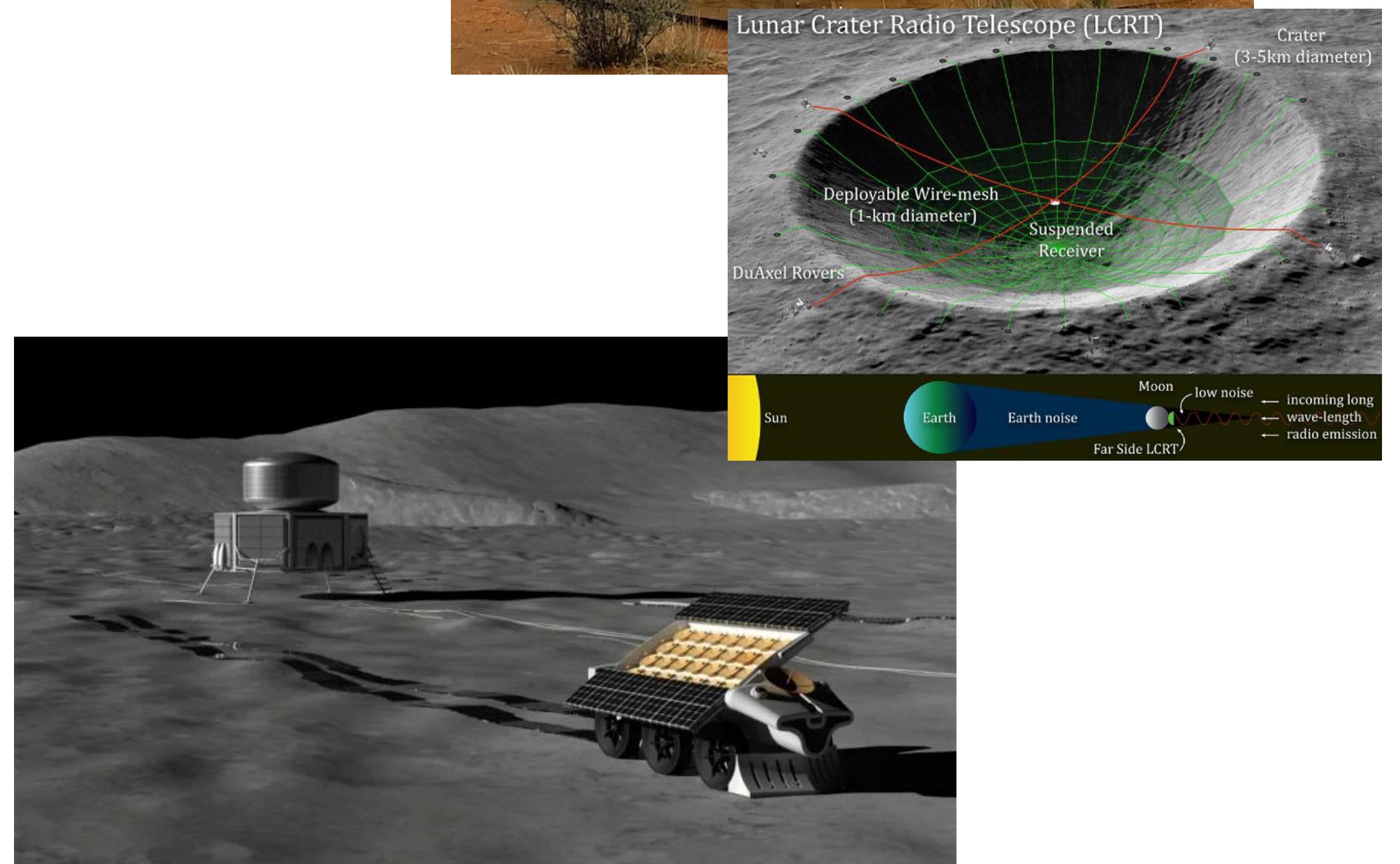
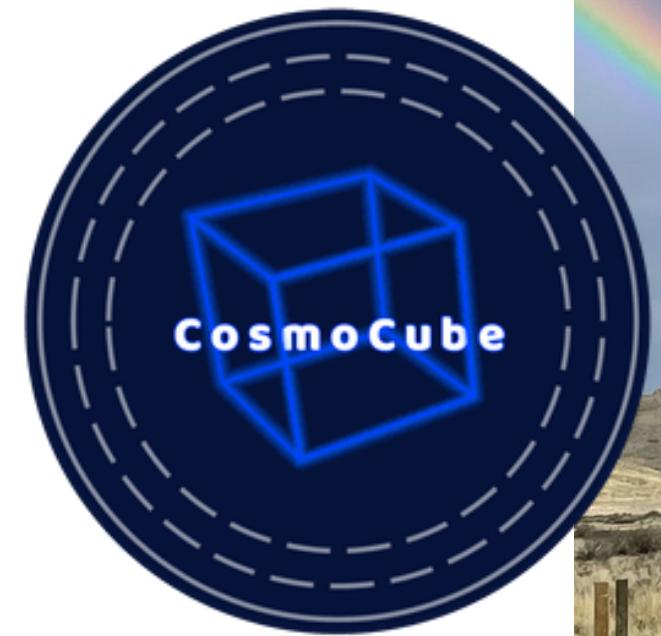
Where next - Emulators and SED Emulators?

- Take novel techniques developed for 21-cm signal emulators and apply to SED emulation
- Relying on FSPS for SED modelling which is expensive
- Need lightweight and compact emulator that is easy to retain



Where next - the dark ages and the future of 21-cm?

- REACH observations in the near future
- 21-cm Cosmology from the moon?
- Theoretical modelling of the dark ages 21-cm signal
- Machine learning based calibration techniques (with Sam Leeney)



Conclusions

- Expecting new 21-cm data in the coming years
- Explore combined constraints from JWST, Ly- α forest, 21-cm and CMB probes
- Detailed modelling of the dark ages 21-cm signal
- SED emulators, CMB power spectrum emulators etc
- Further development of marginal bayesian inference framework
- Come and chat to me in K07

