

# The trouble with $H_0$ (and beyond)

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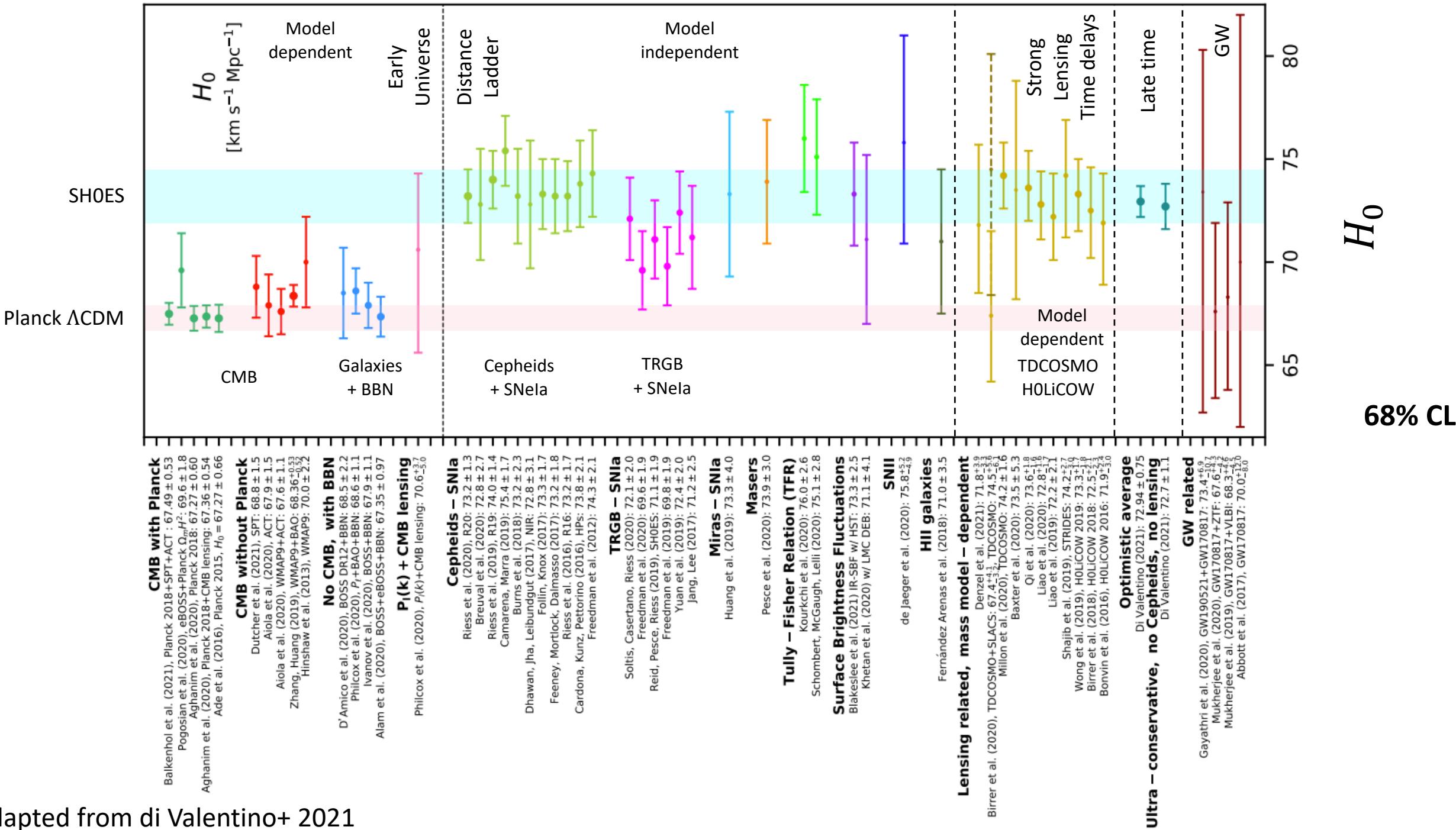
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  - Phenomenological model: nature of DM and DE? Primordial Universe?
  - Persistent discrepancies between different cosmological probes (high-z vs low-z?):  $H_0$ ,  $\sigma_8 \Omega_M^{0.5}$

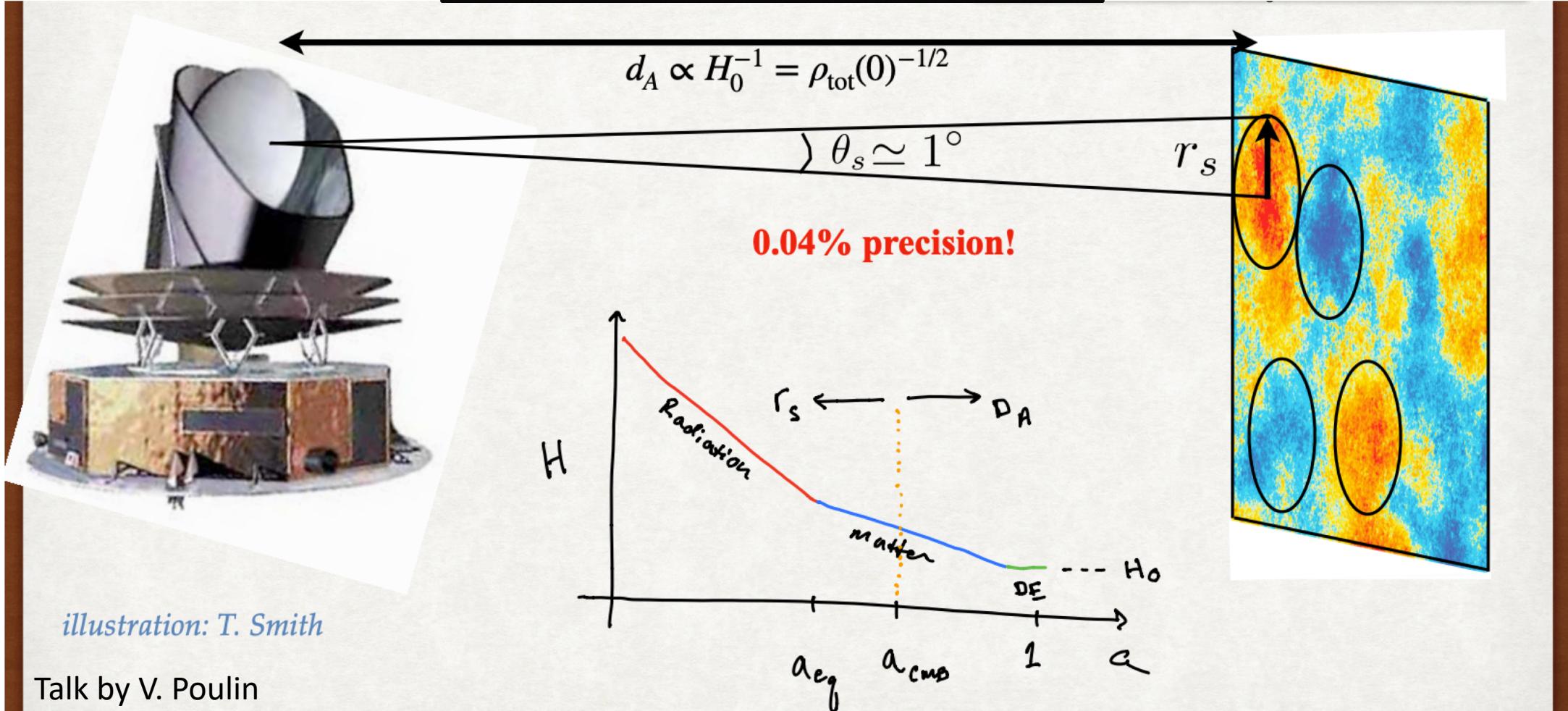
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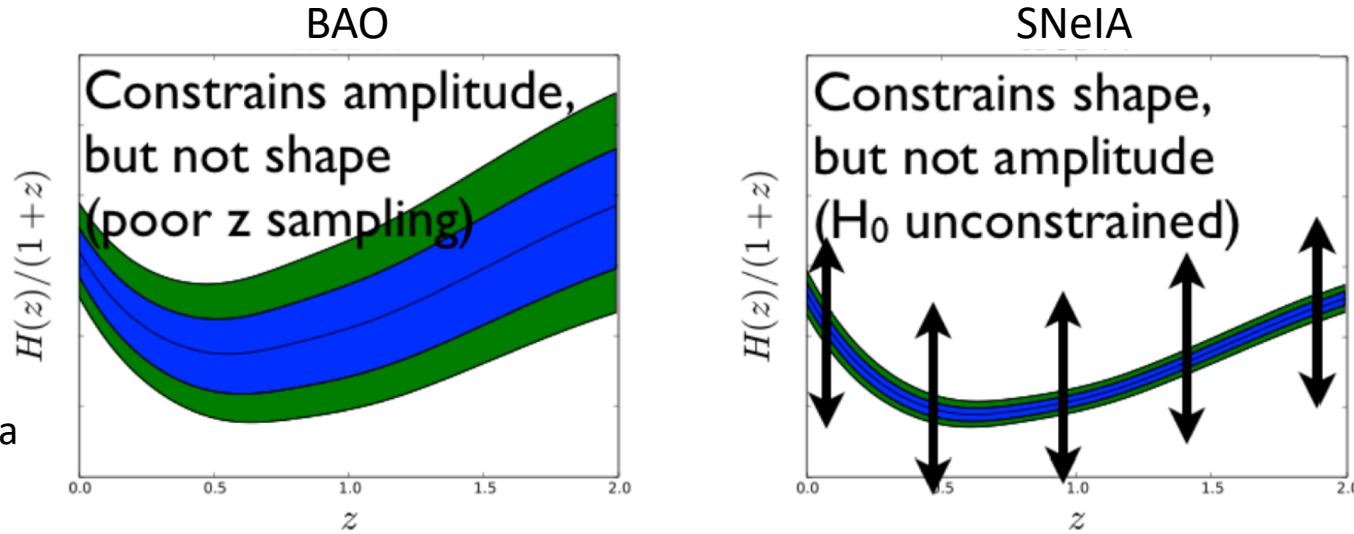
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With a high  $H_0$ ...

- Pre-recombination mods: (change  $r_s$  to compensate)
  - Change  $z_*$
  - Change  $c_s$
  - Change  $H(z)$
- Post-recombination mods: (keep  $D_M(z_*)$  unchanged)
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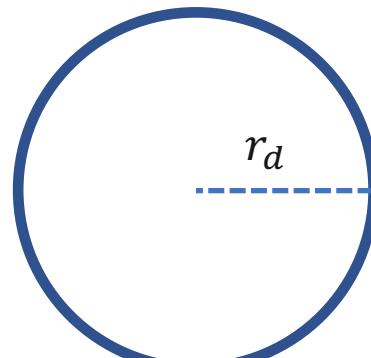
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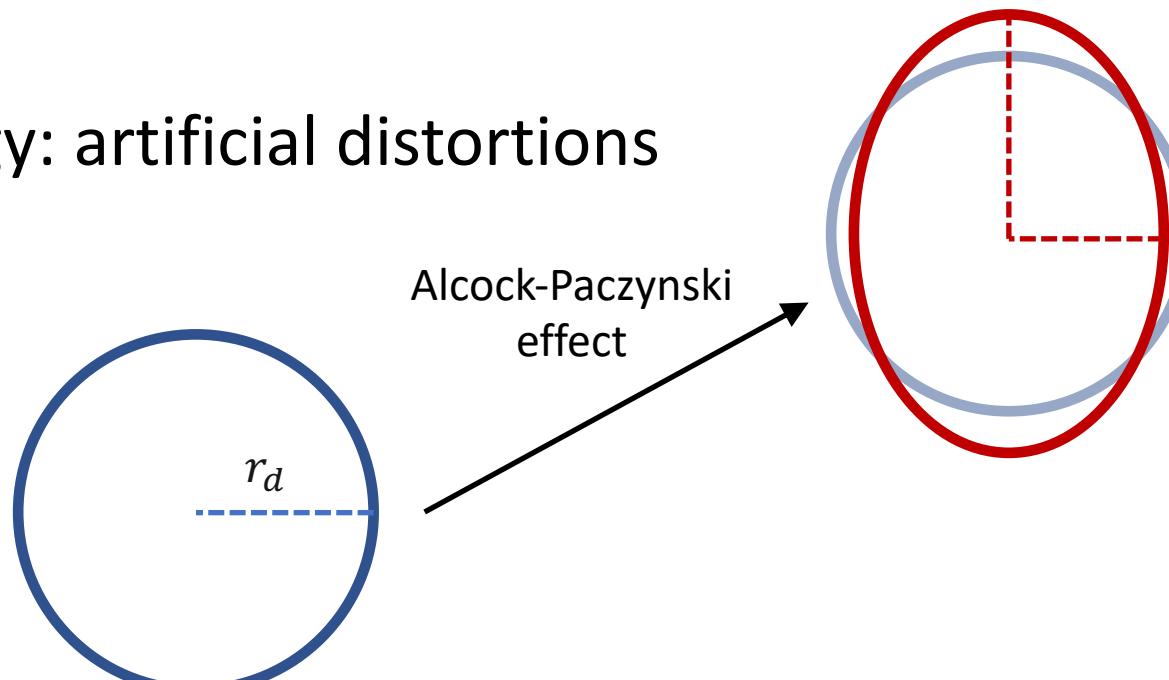
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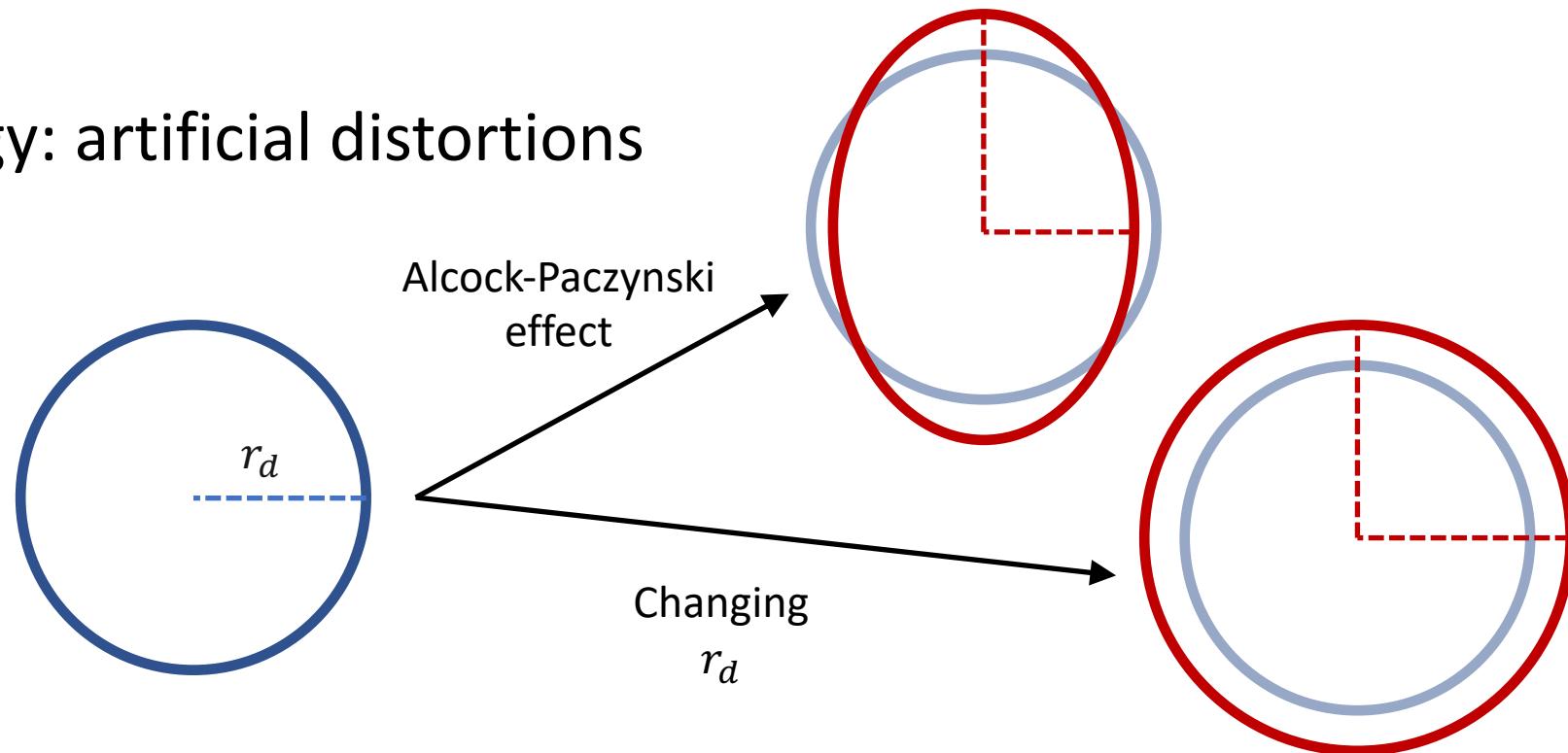
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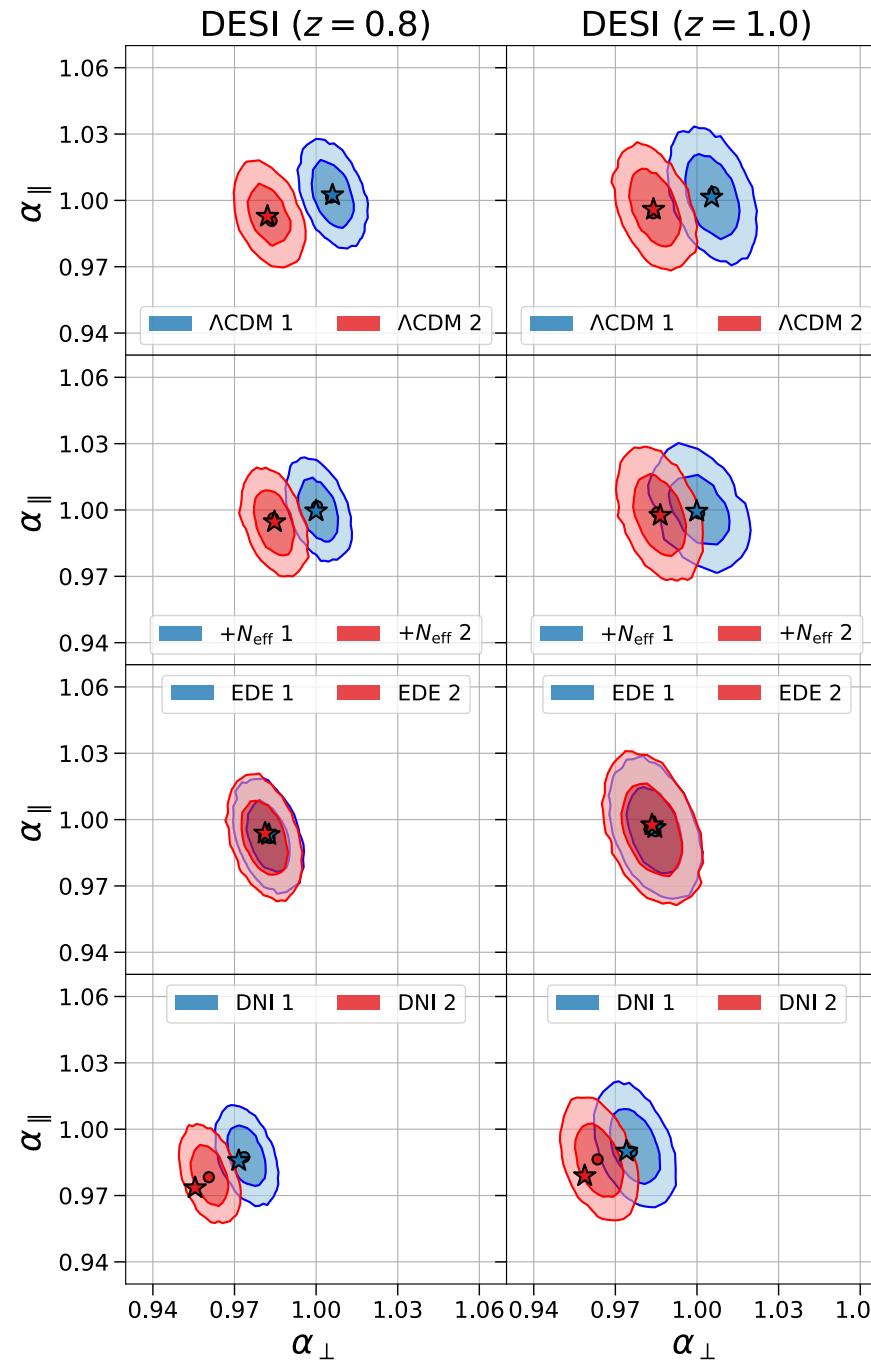
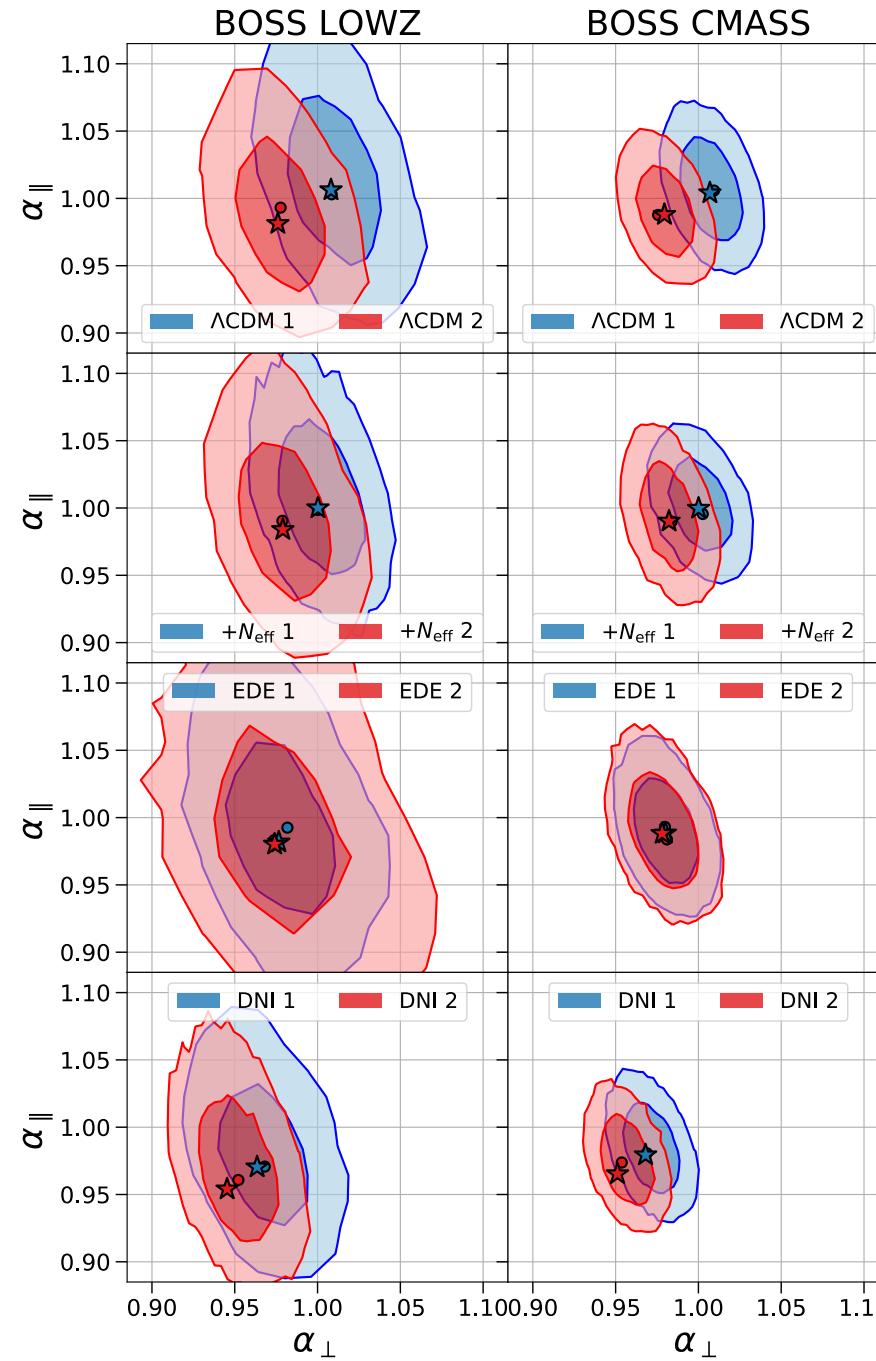
BAO provide model independent information of the expansion history of the Universe

Normalization:  $r_d \times H_0$

# Isolating BAO feature

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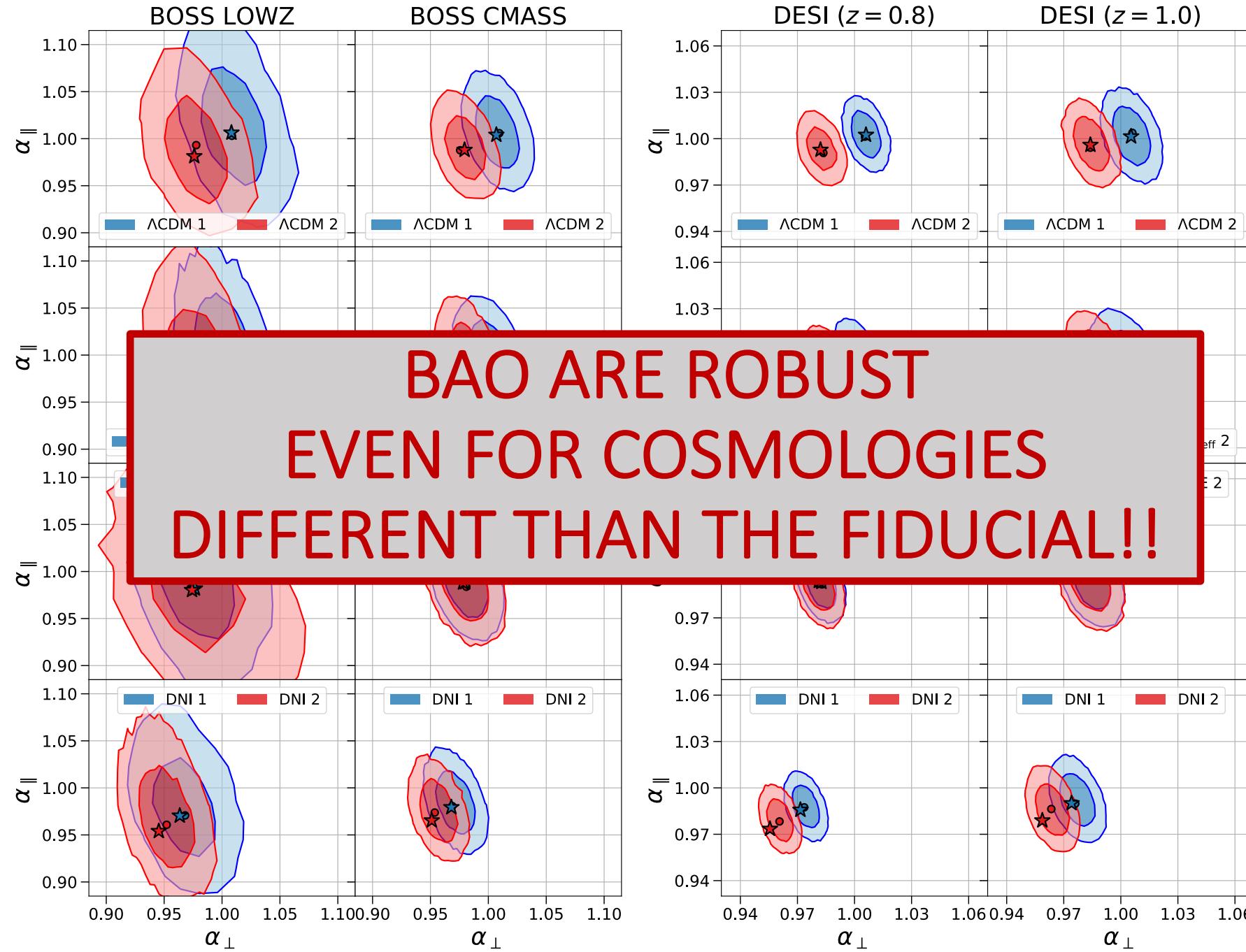
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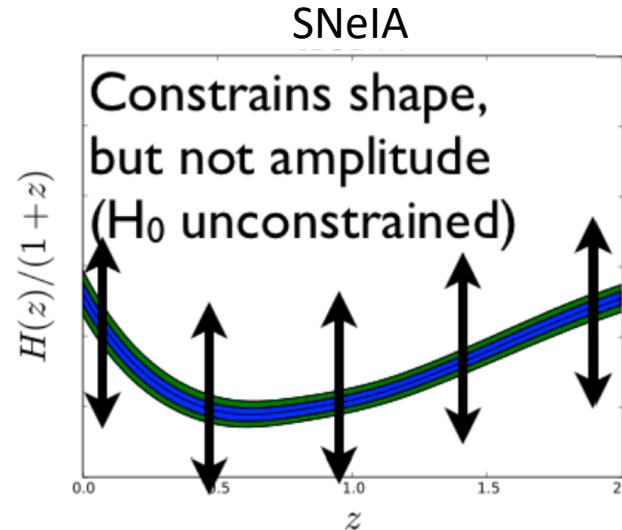
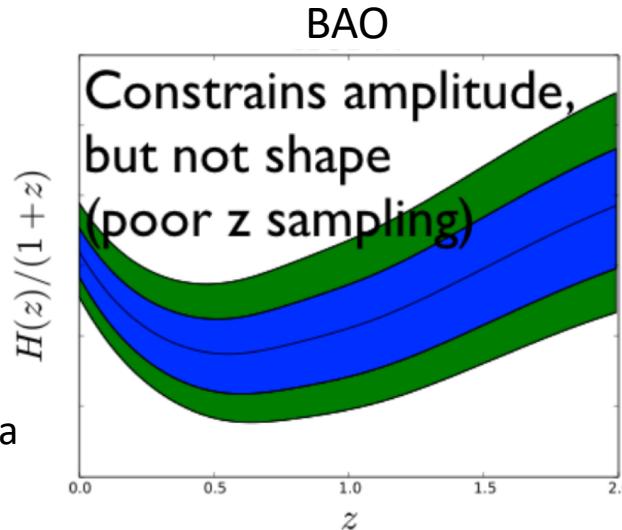
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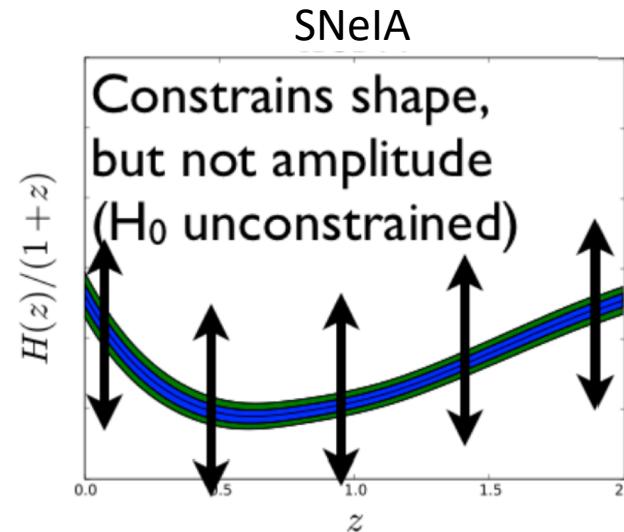
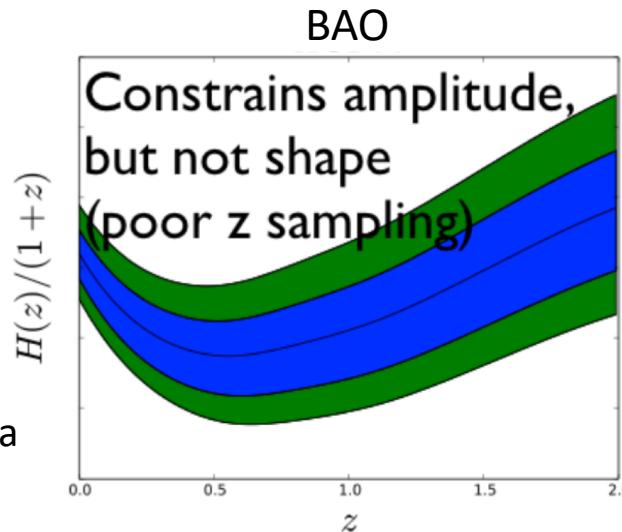


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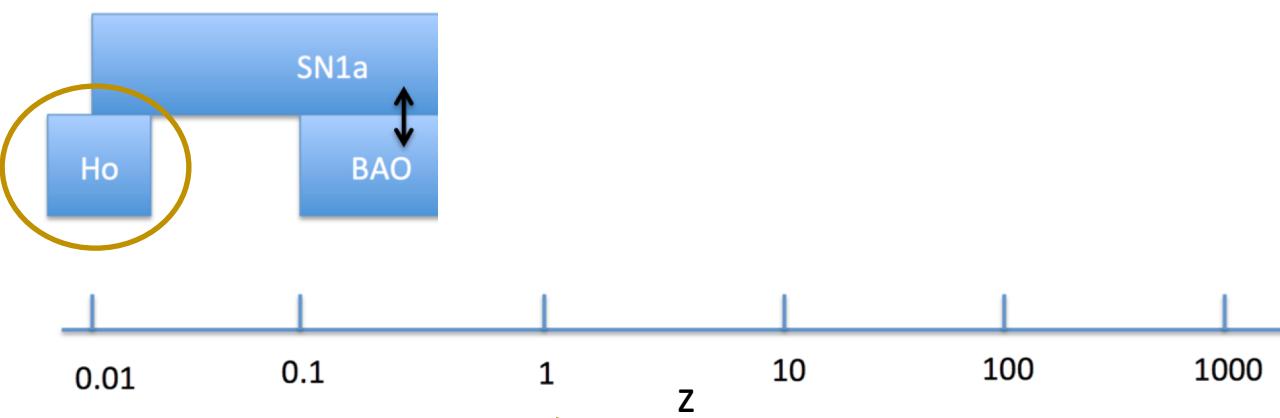
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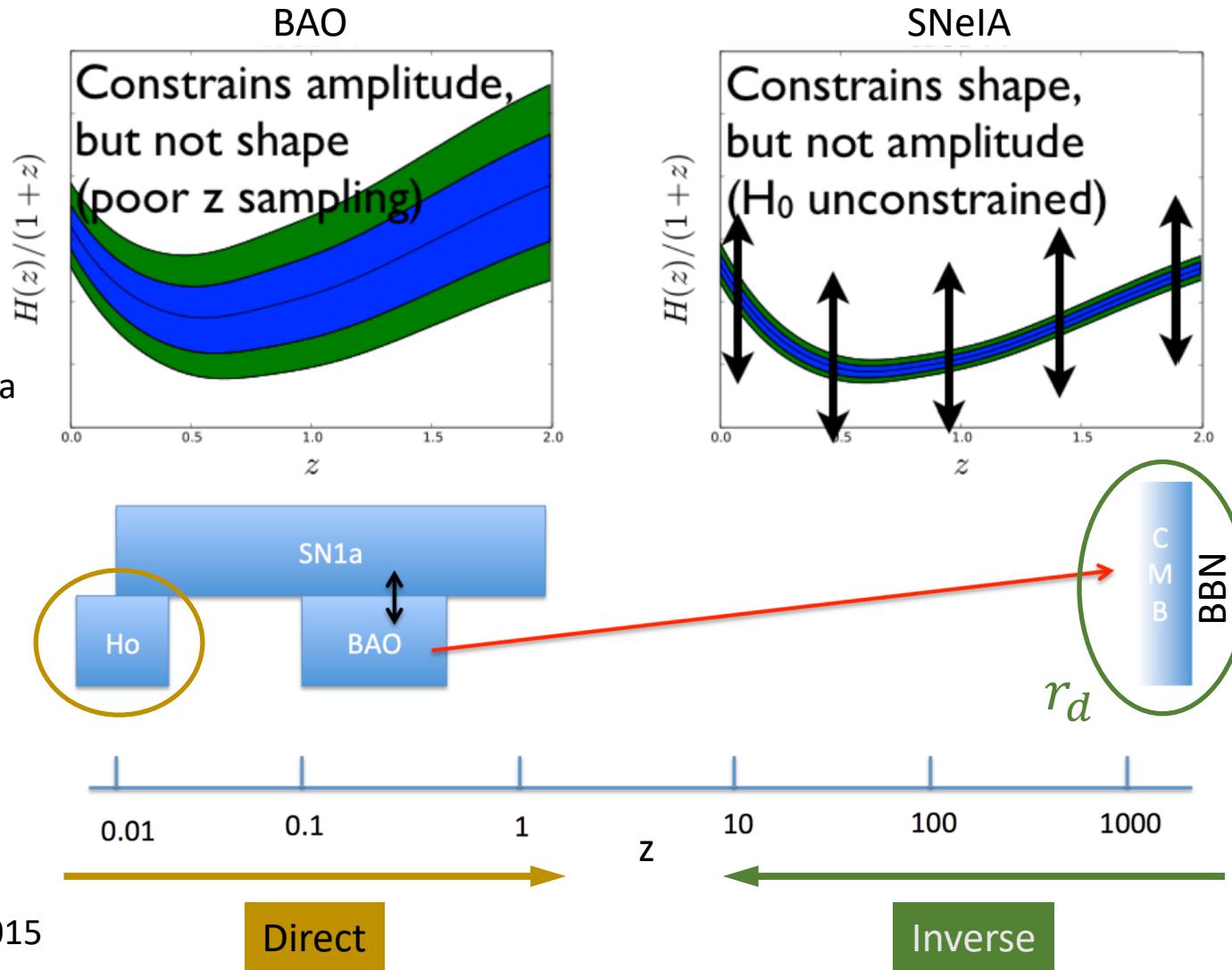
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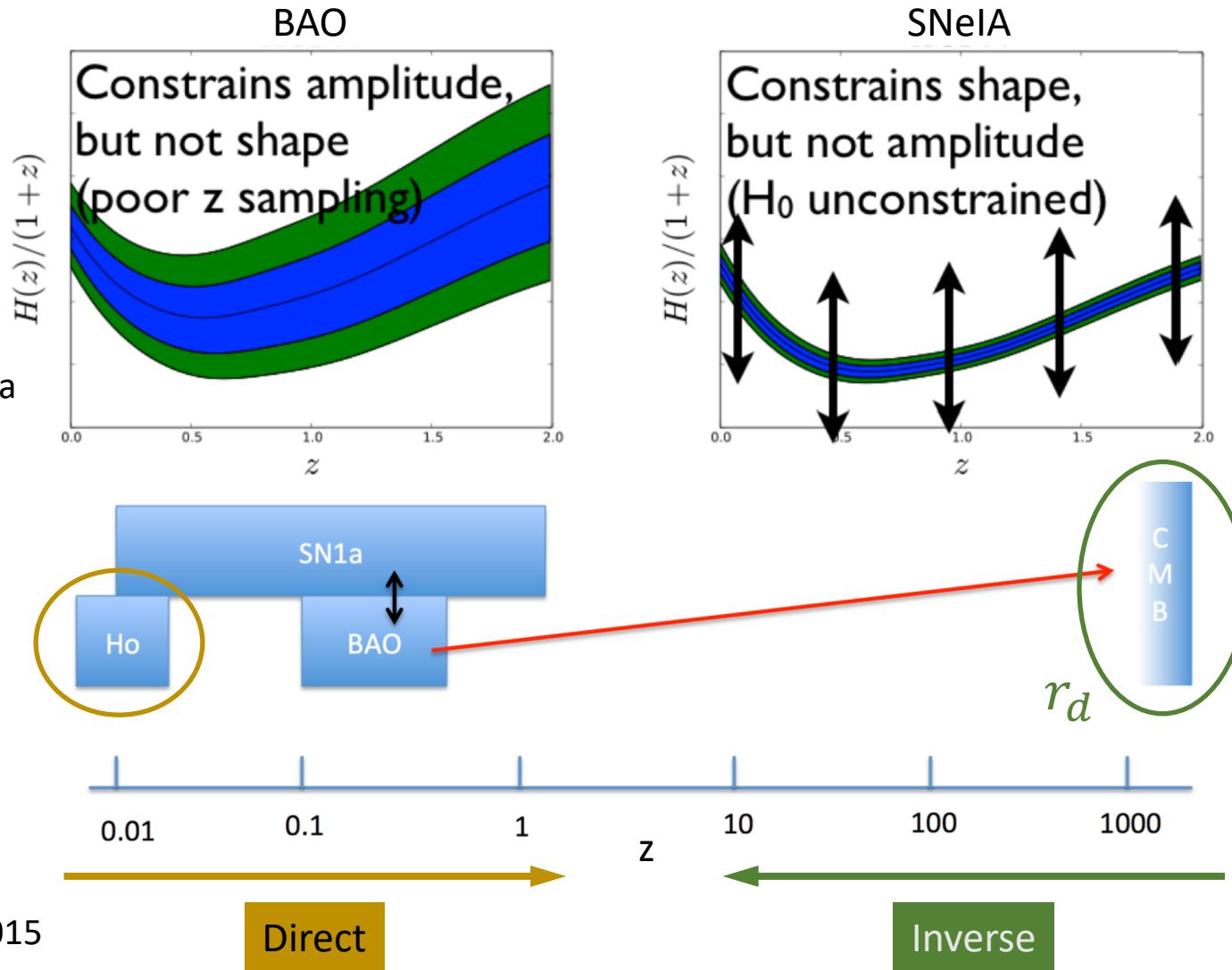
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**Low-z standard ruler**

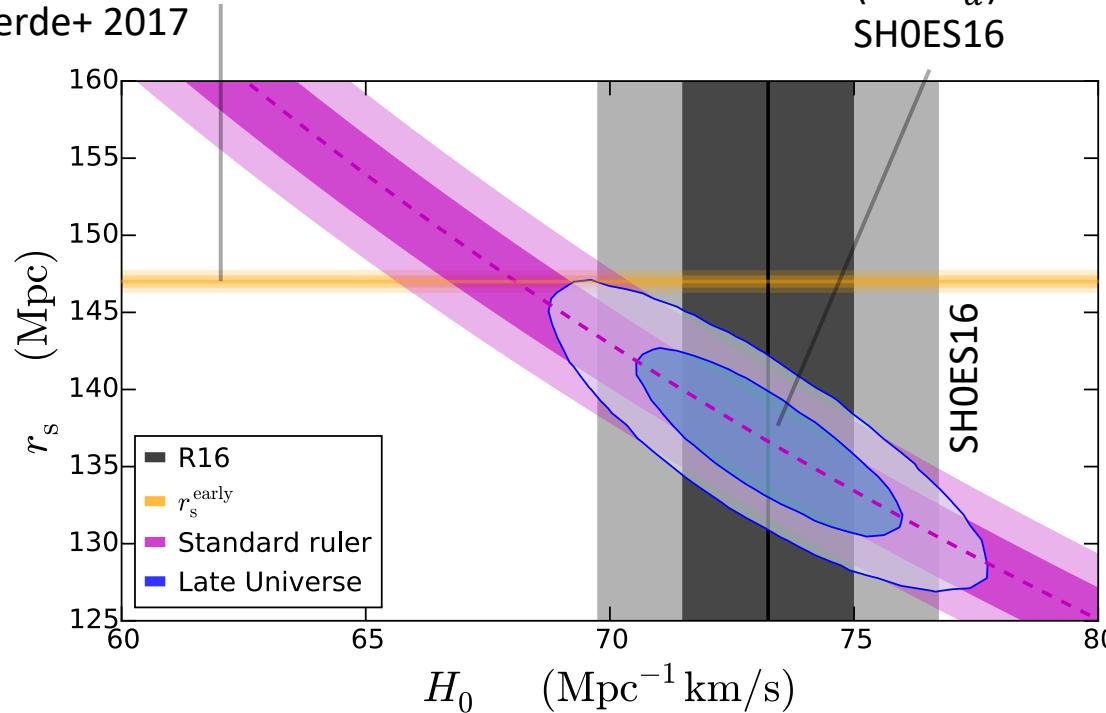
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Verde, JLB+ 2017

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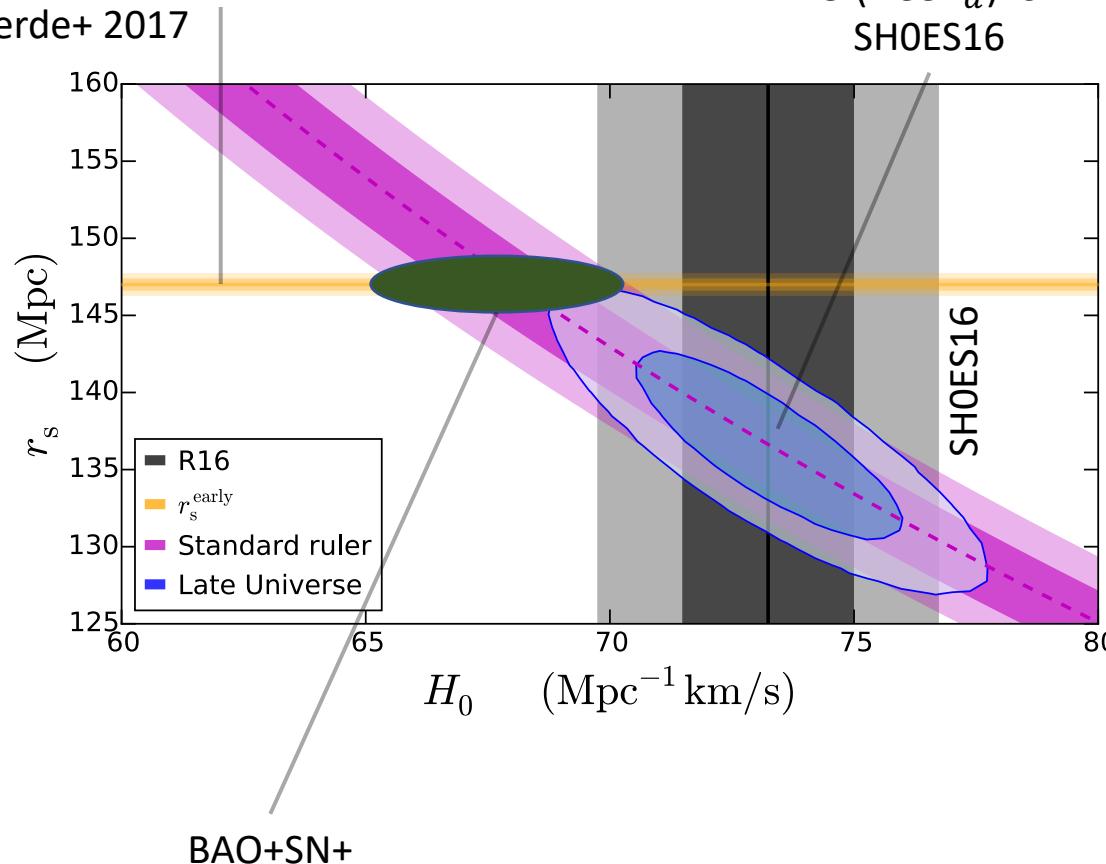
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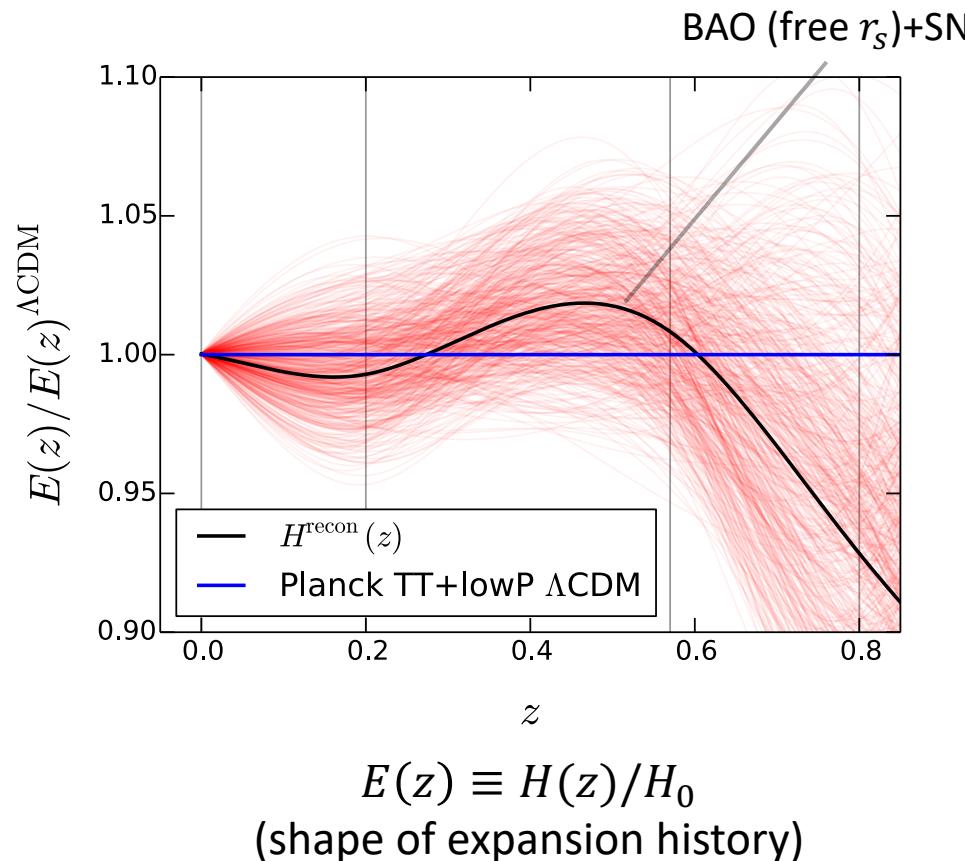
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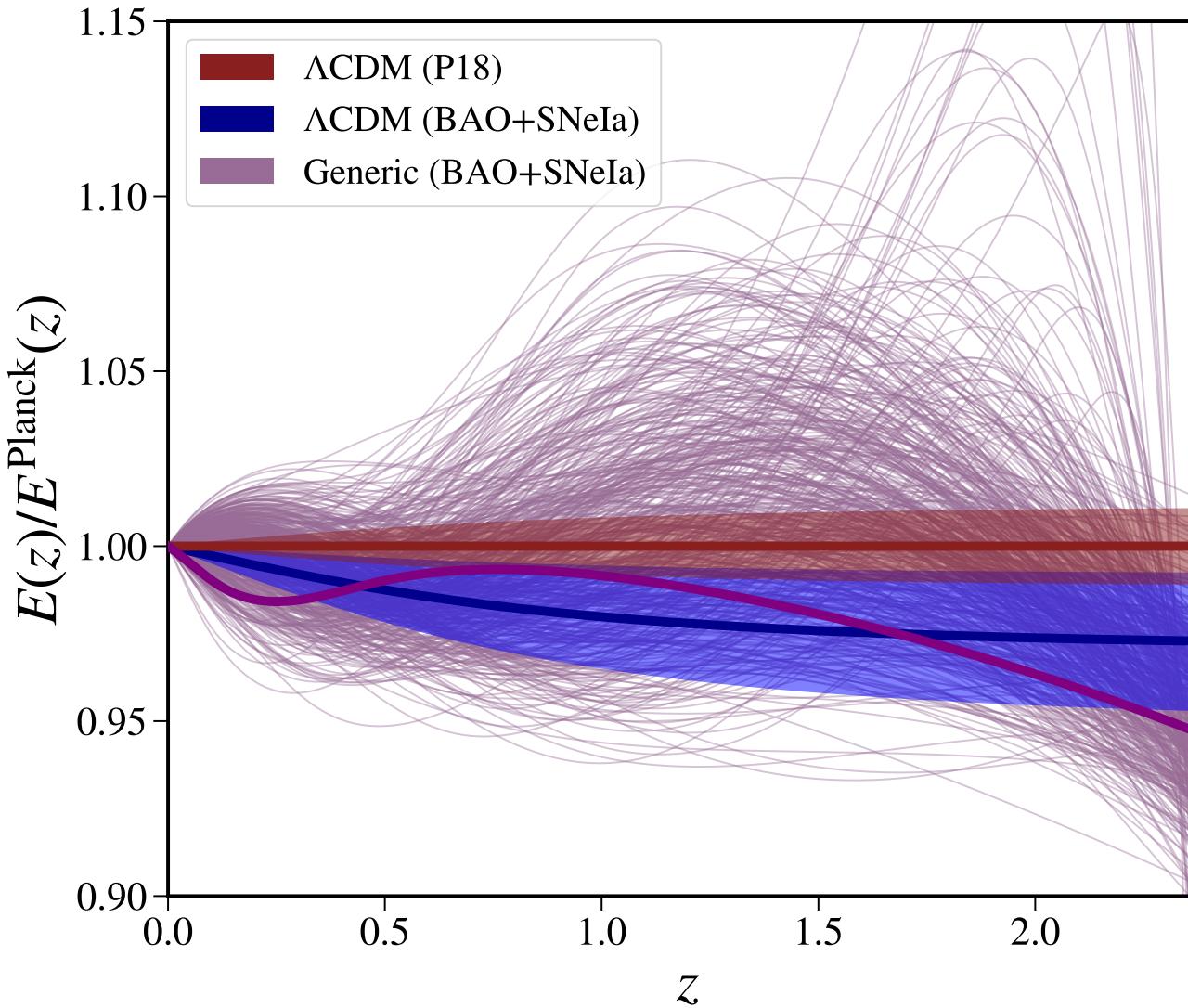
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Not a lot of freedom in expansion history at  $z \lesssim 0.6$  to alleviate the tension

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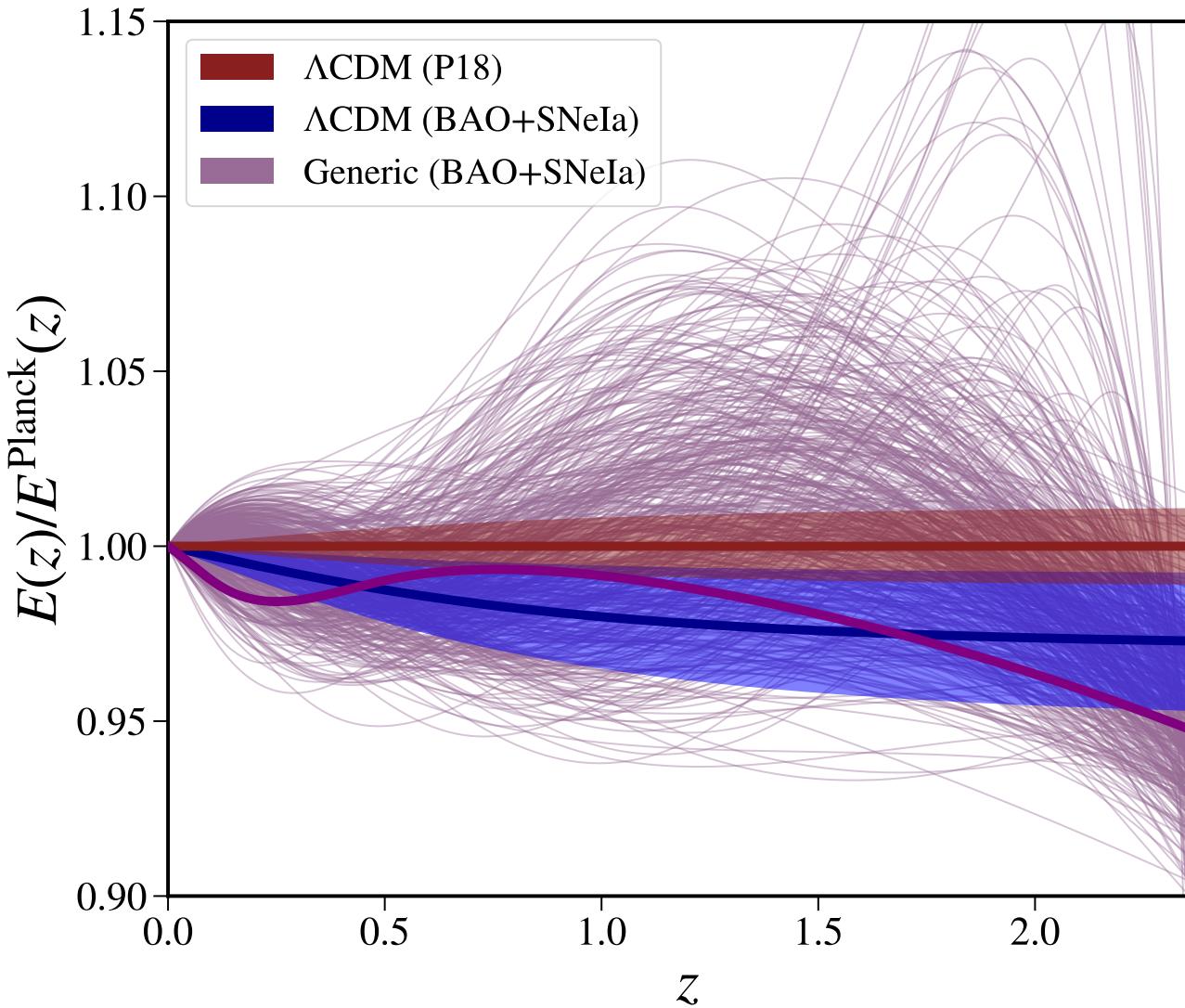
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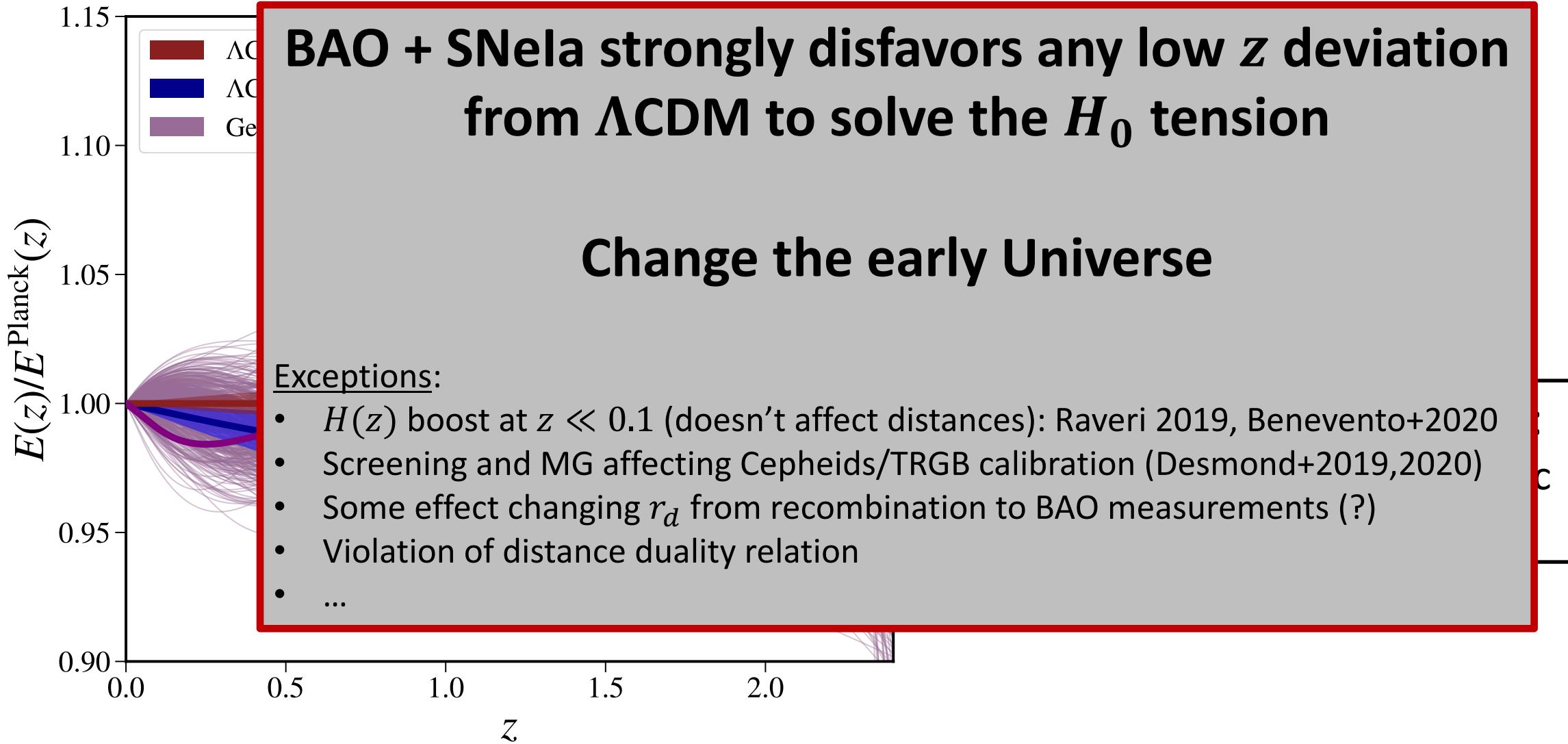
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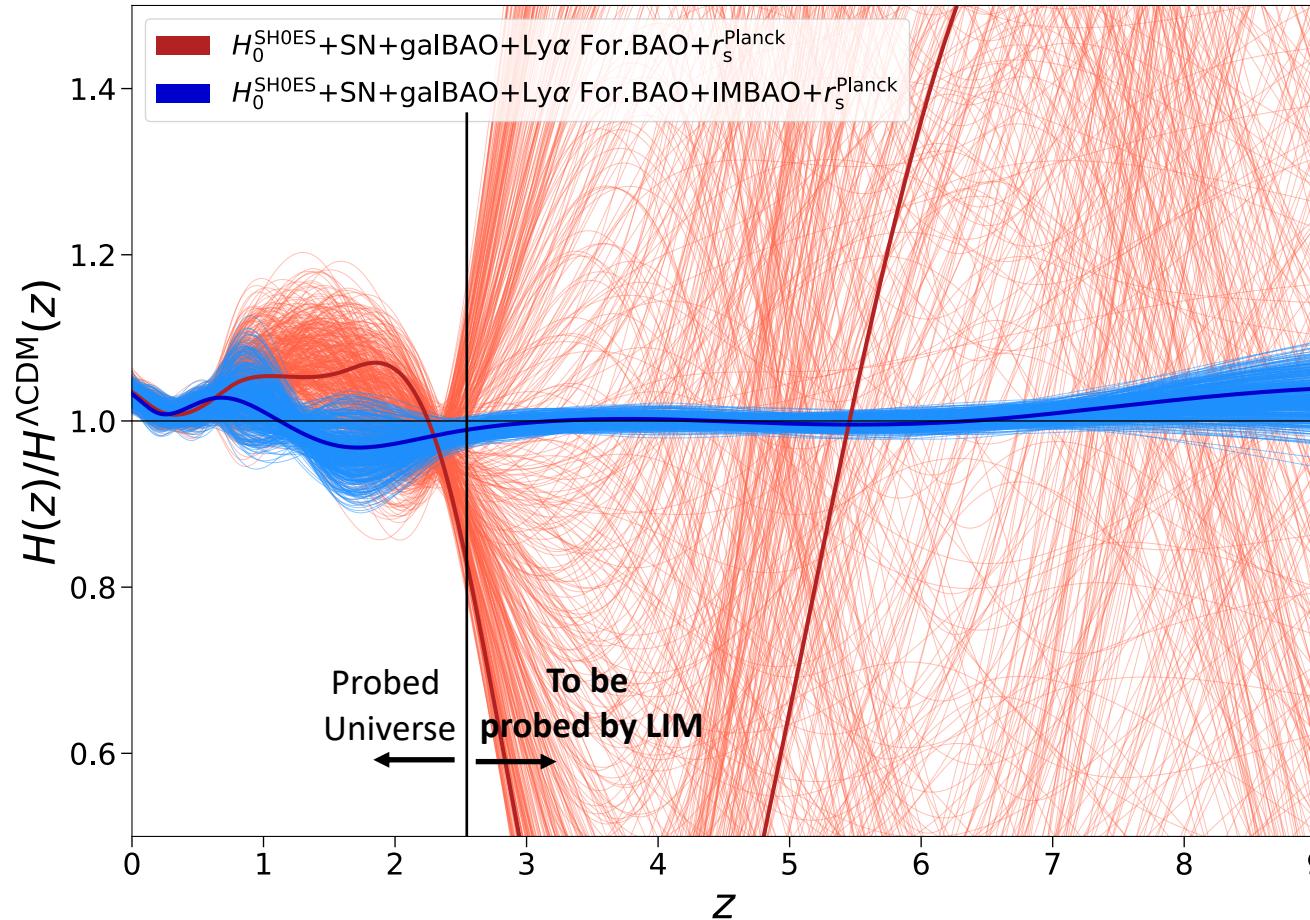
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# $H(z)$ beyond the reach of galaxy surveys

Model  
independent  $H(z)$   
reconstructed with  
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Current constraints using galaxy surveys  
(and  $H_0$  and  $r_s$ ) and **ADDING LIM BAO**

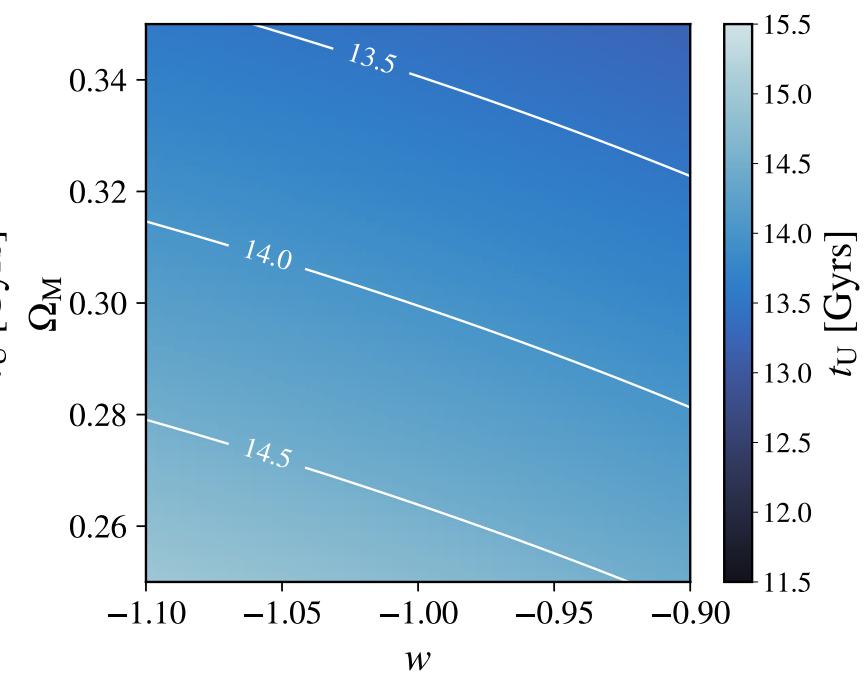
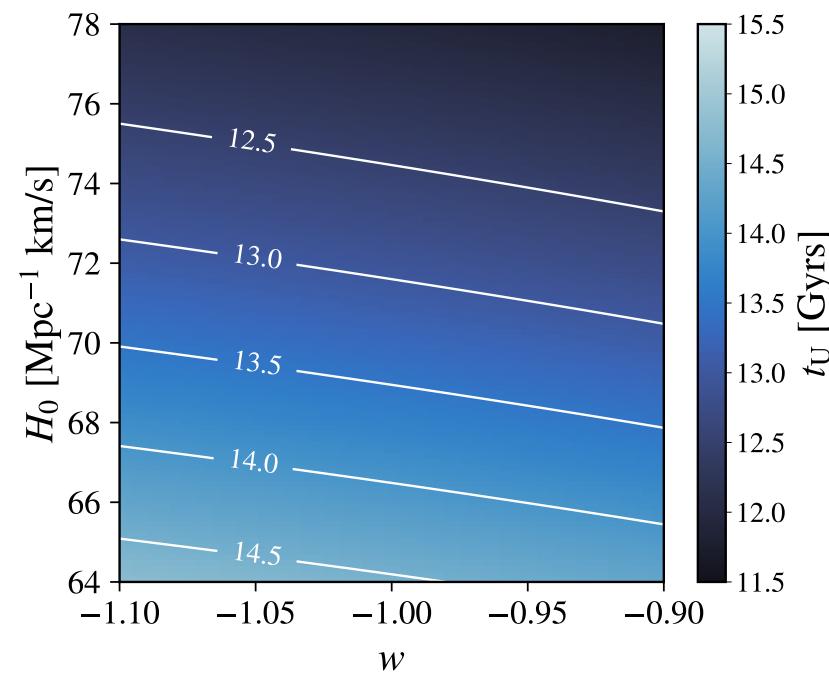
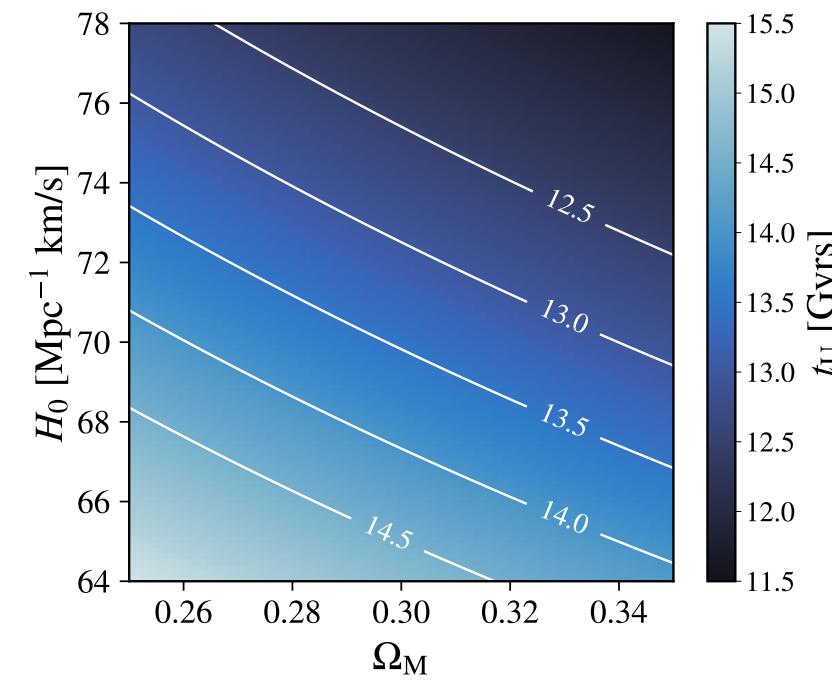
Bridge early and late  
Universe to probe  
post-recombination  
solutions

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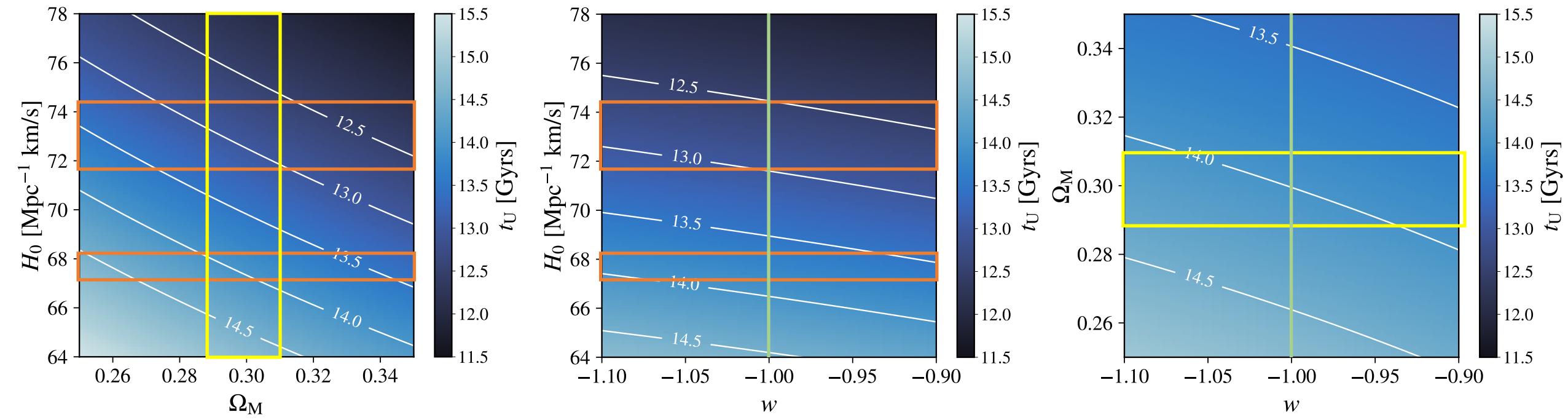


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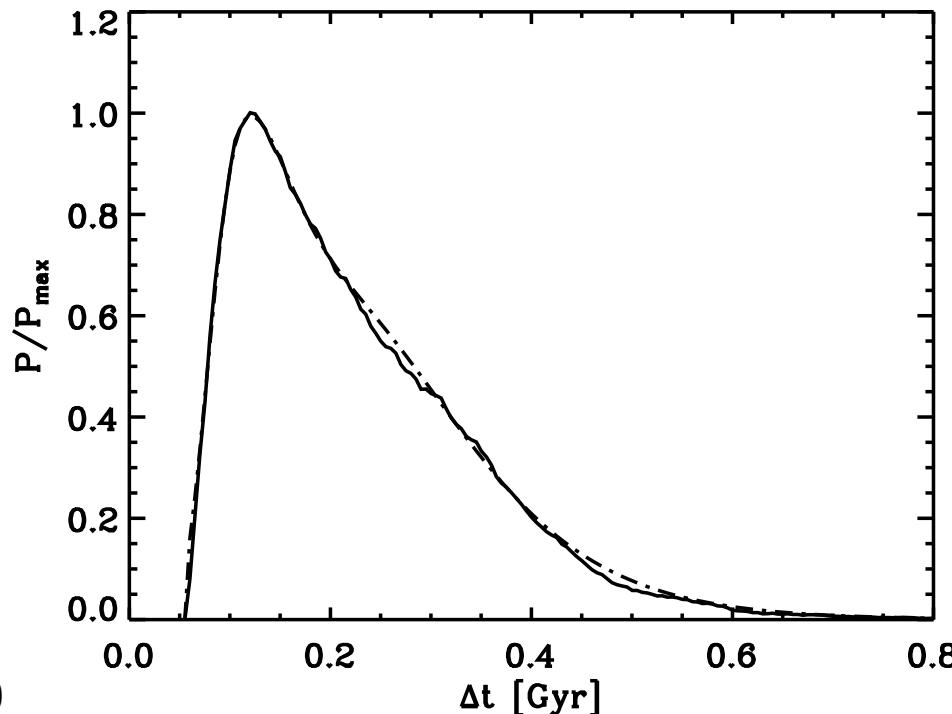
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- Infer the age of the oldest globular clusters and estimate the gap

Jimenez+ 2019

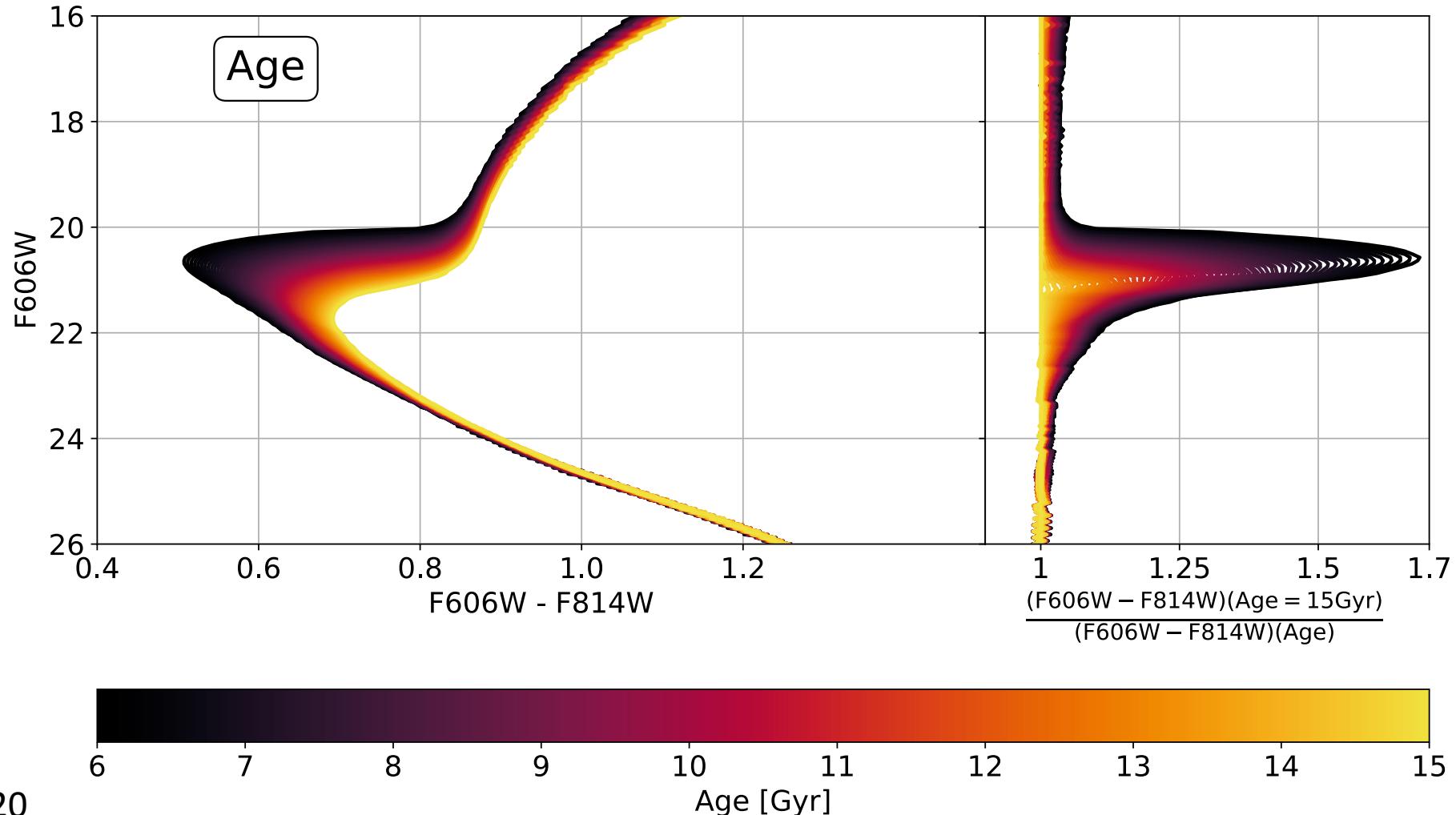


- $t_{GC} \equiv t(z_f)$   
 $z_f \in [11,30]$
- $t_U = t_{GC} + \Delta t$

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Marginalizing over cosmo parameters and  $z_f$

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(After marginalizing over metallicity, distance,  $\alpha$  elements, reddening)

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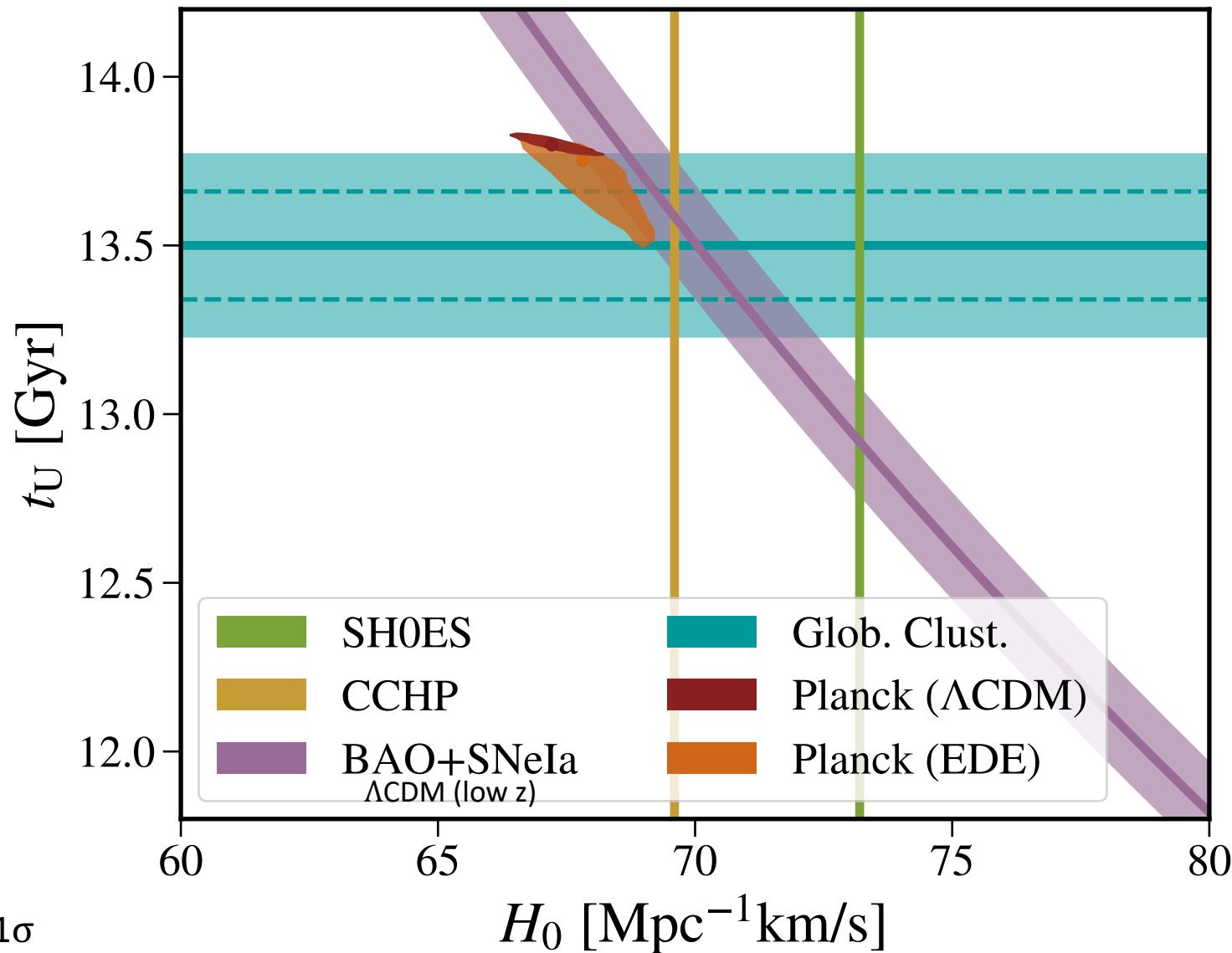
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(F606W – F814W)(Age)

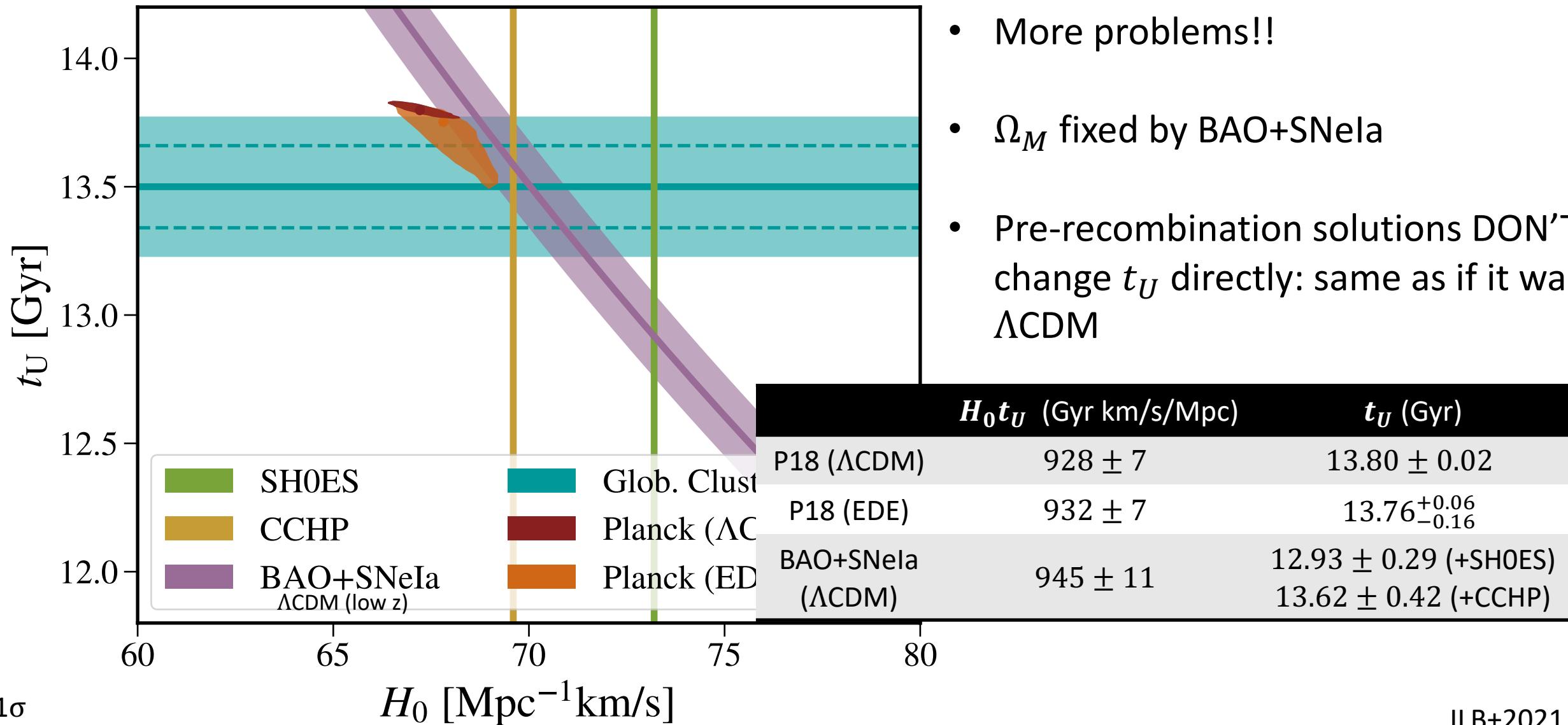


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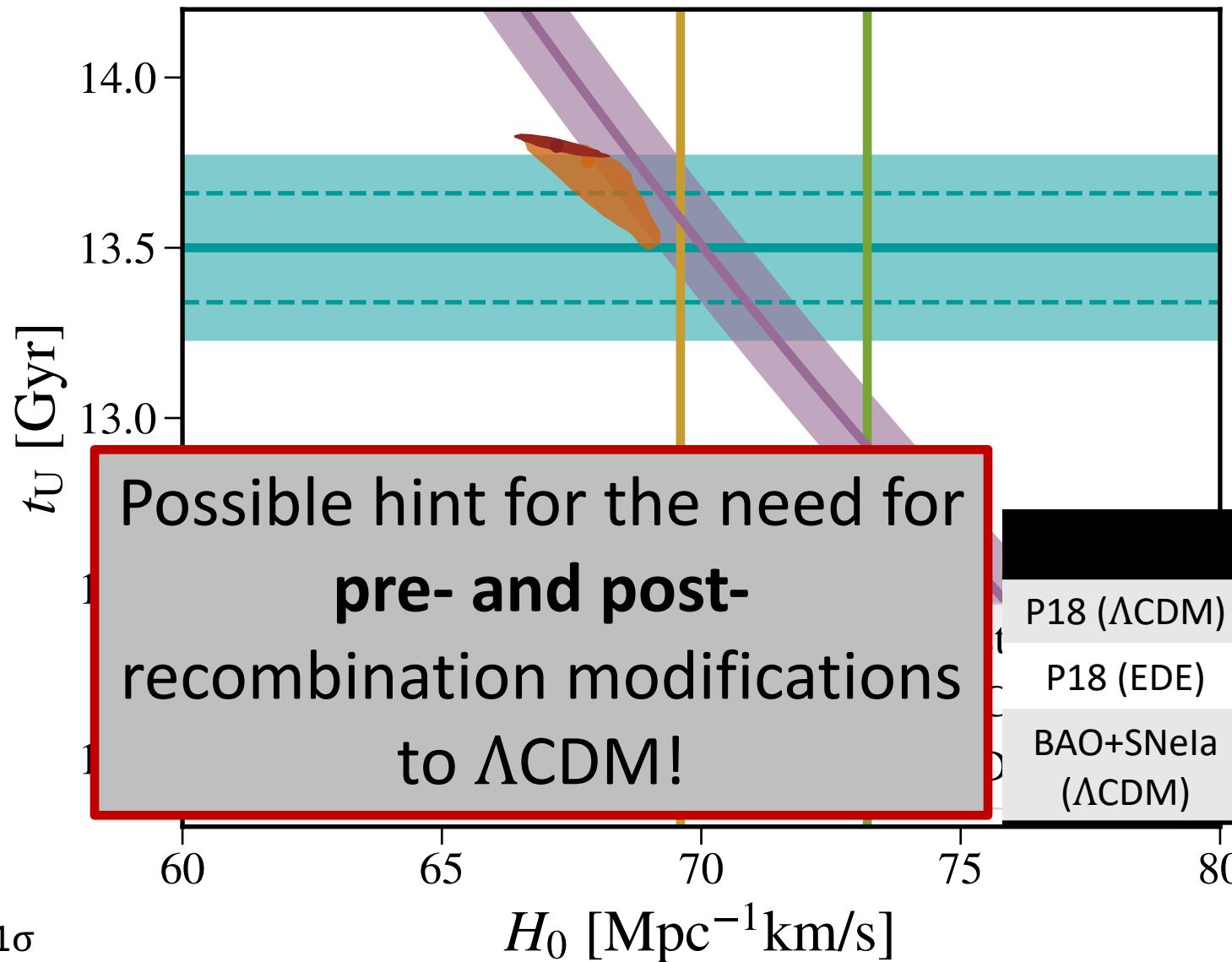


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P18 ( $\Lambda$ CDM)	$928 \pm 7$	$13.80 \pm 0.02$
P18 (EDE)	$932 \pm 7$	$13.76^{+0.06}_{-0.16}$
BAO+SNela ( $\Lambda$ CDM)	$945 \pm 11$	$12.93 \pm 0.29$ (+SHOES) $13.62 \pm 0.42$ (+CCHP)

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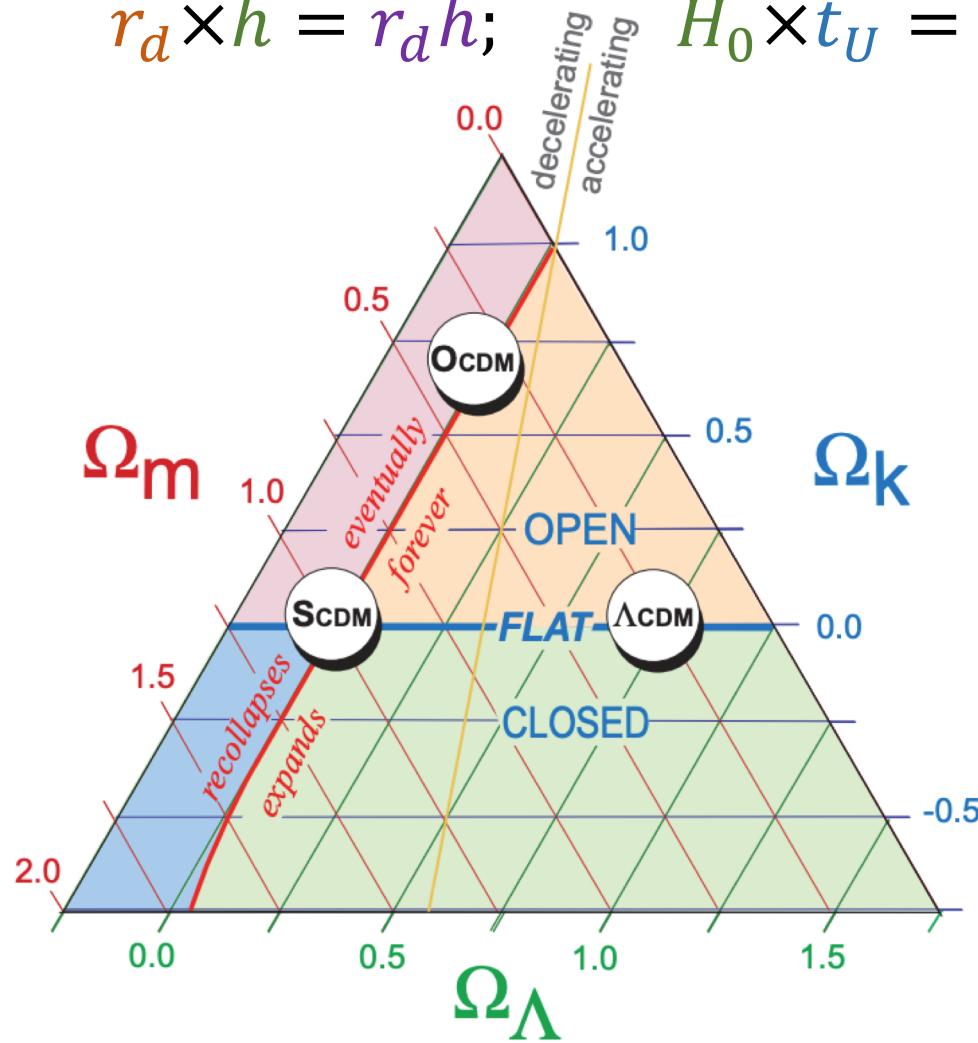
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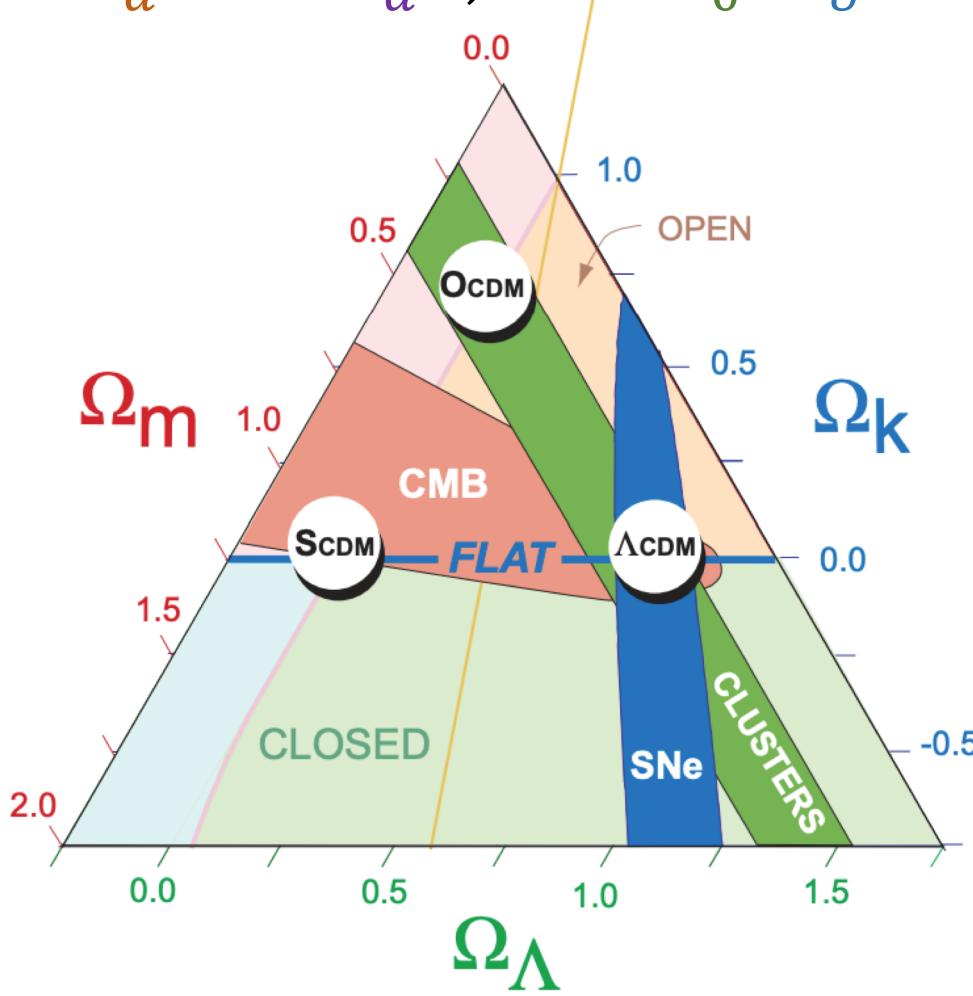
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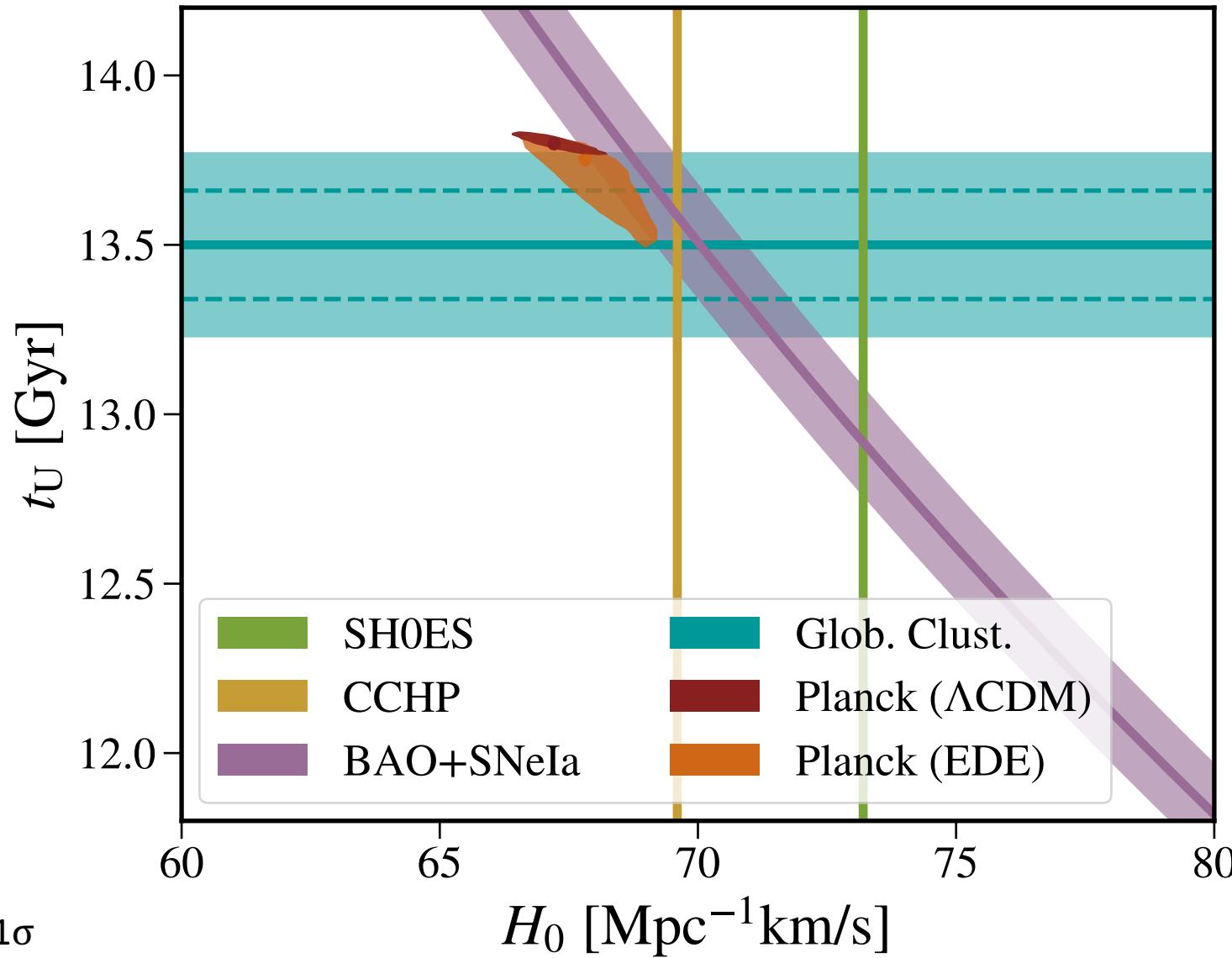


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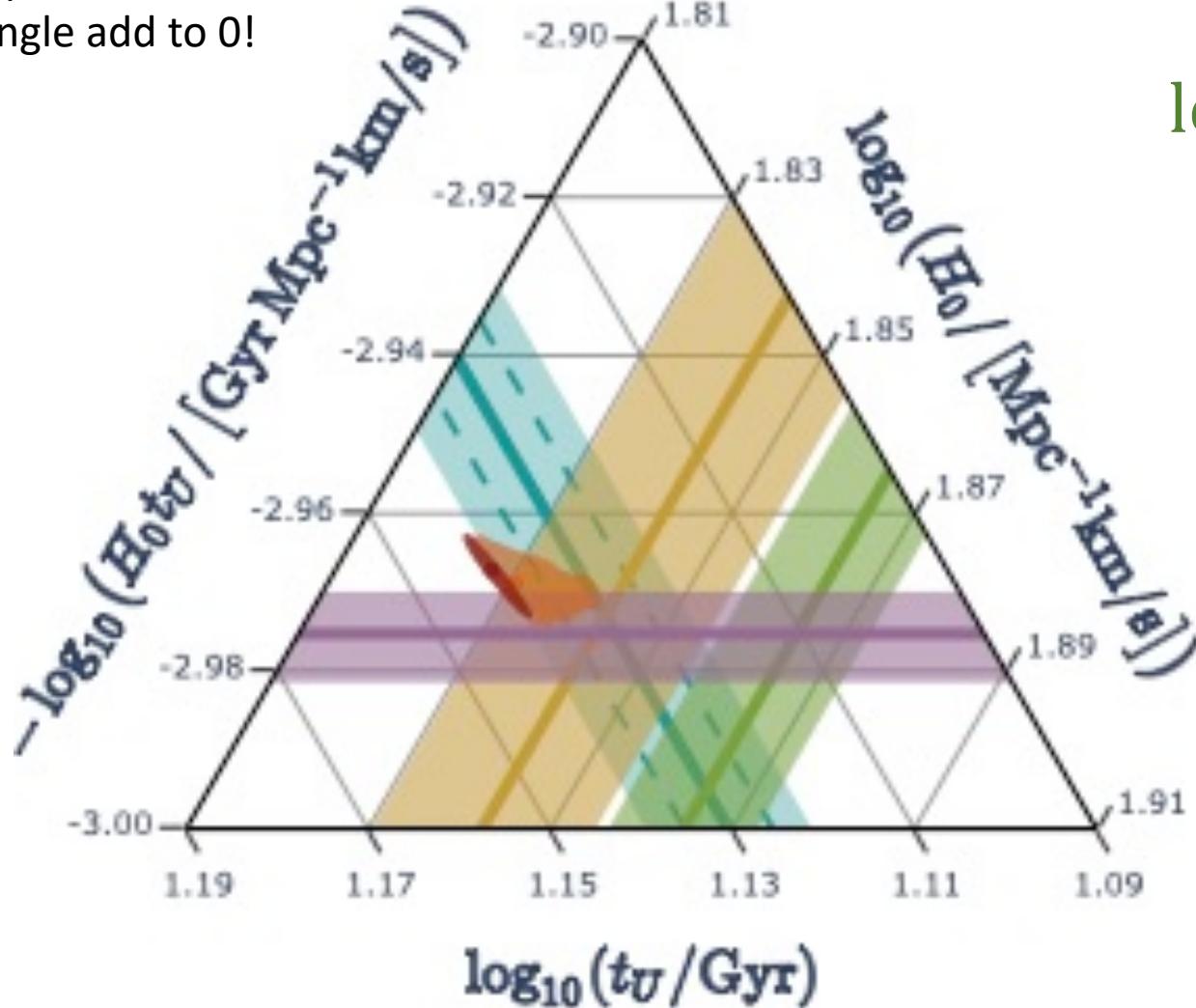
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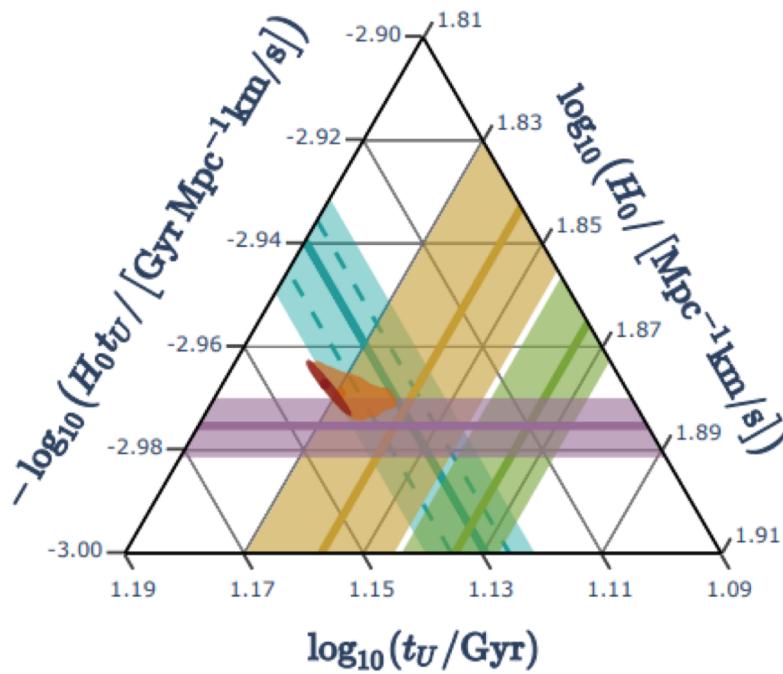
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All points in the triangle add to 0!



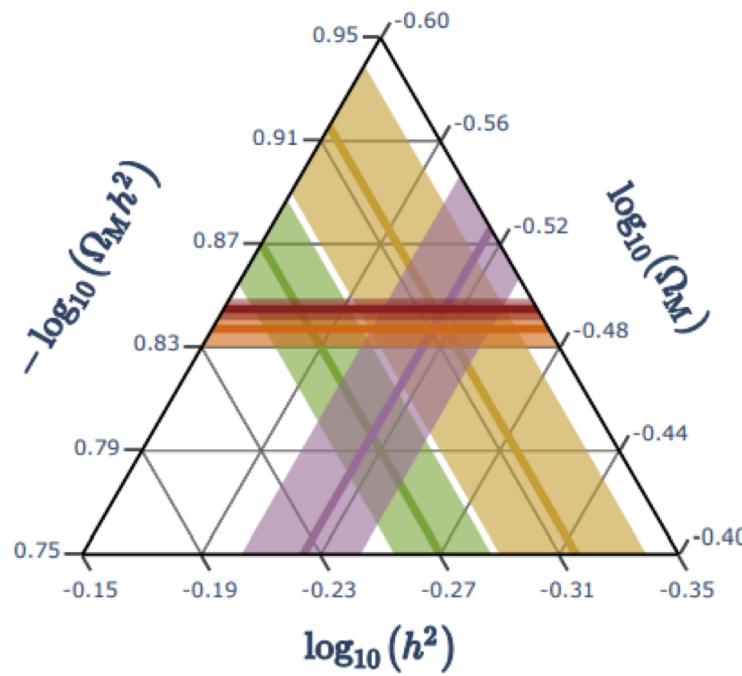
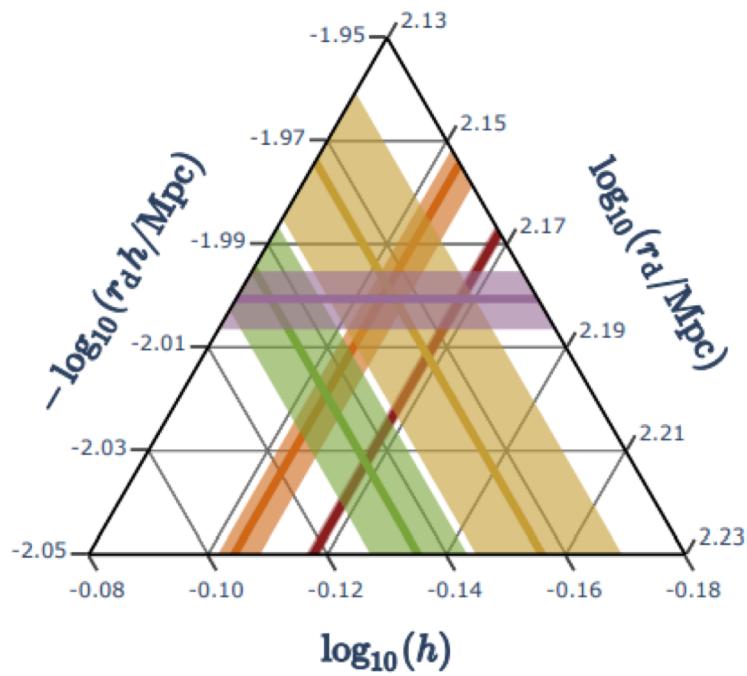
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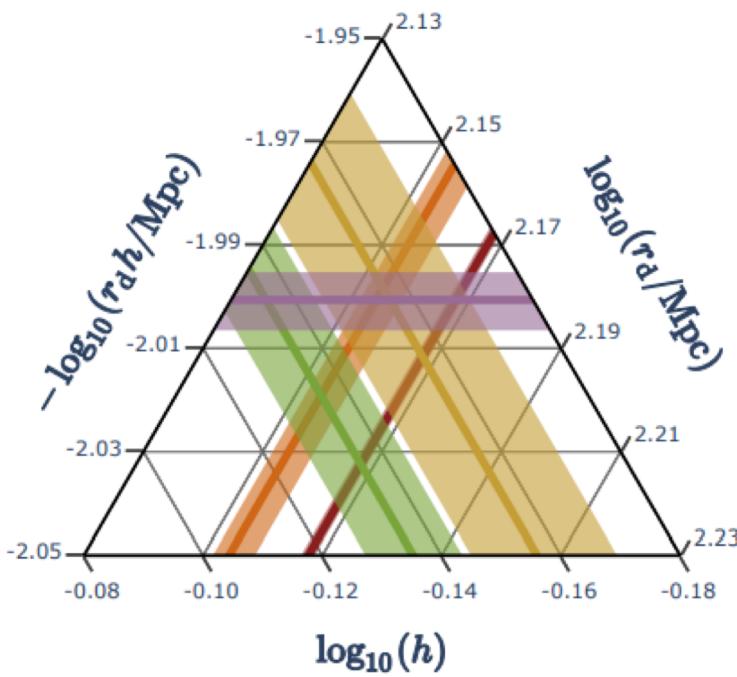
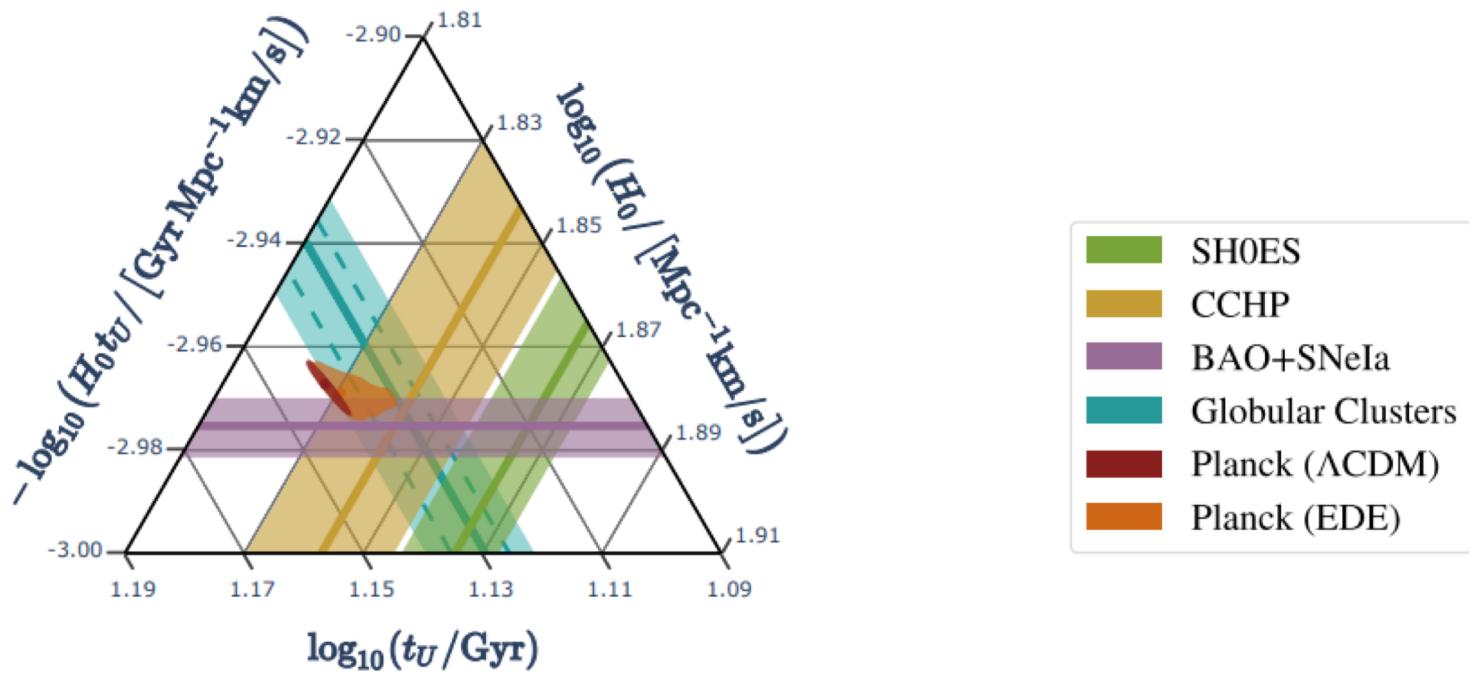
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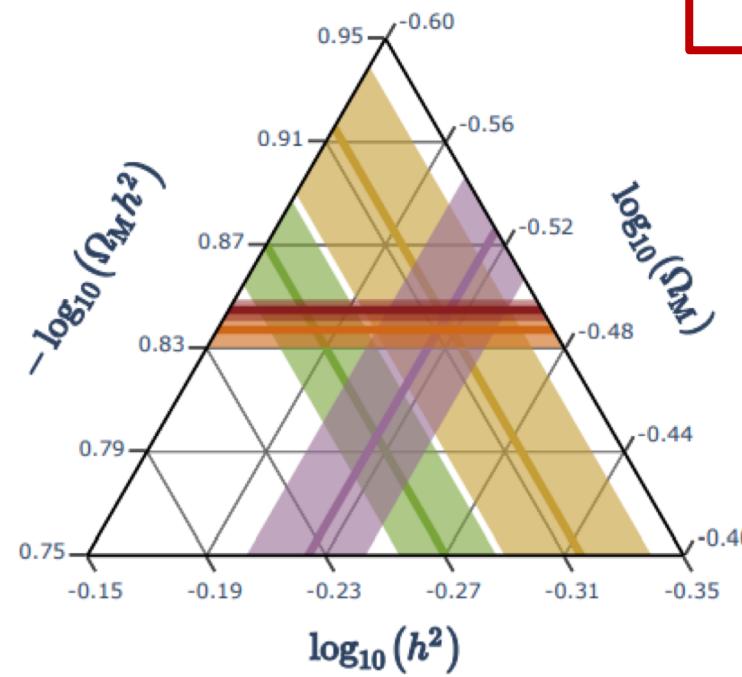
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$1\sigma$



Out with the standard ruler,  
In with the .

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# Conclusions

- Importance of model-independent approaches to highlight requirements
- Early-late Universe tension? Mismatch in the anchors of the distance ladder.
  - But also beyond  $H_0$ :  $t_U$  and  $\Omega_M$  are also affected.
- No room for big changes at low redshift.
  - Pre-recombination changes (boost in  $H(z)$ ?) are required, but likely not enough.
- Reconcile ALL measurements, at least not worsen other agreements and tensions
- LIM will grant access to unprobed stages of the Universe
- Use of new cosmic triangles