

Leveraging Simulation-Based Inference for Precision Cosmology

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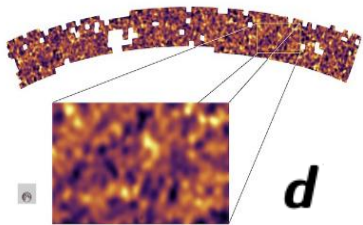
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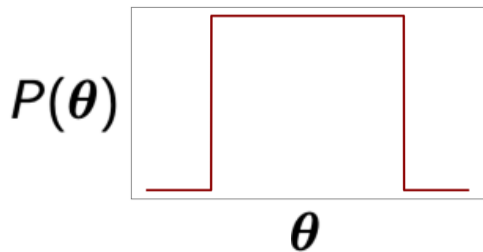
KiDS
Kilo-Degree Survey



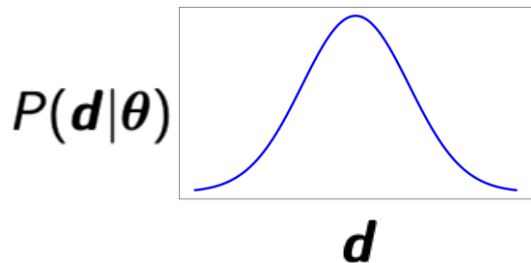
Recipe for Cosmological Inference



Data



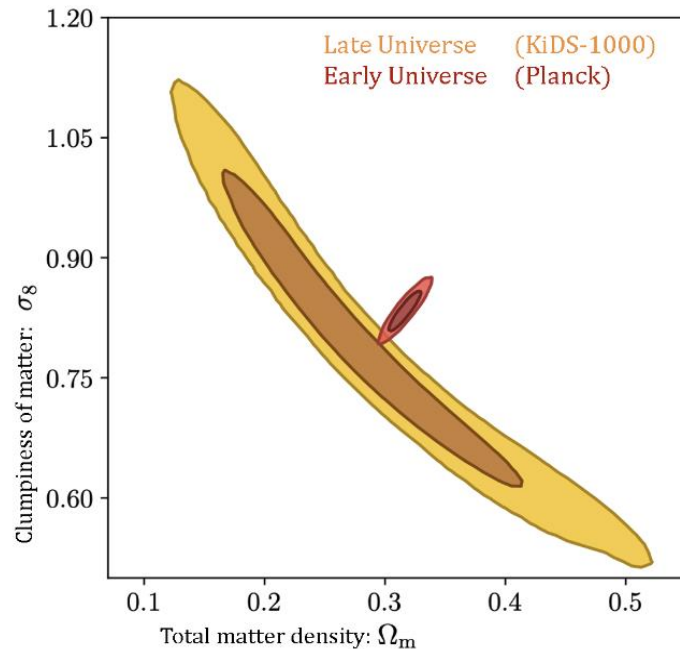
Prior



Likelihood



$P(\theta|d)$: Posterior

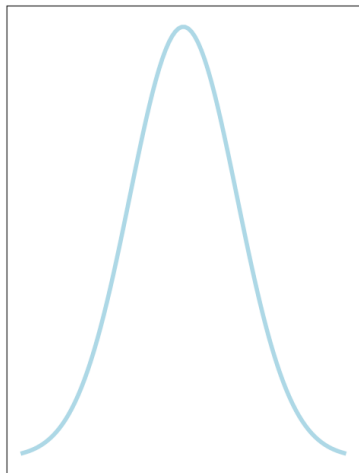


Model: Λ CDM

Modelling Likelihoods

Given a
model!

$P(\mathbf{d}|\theta)$

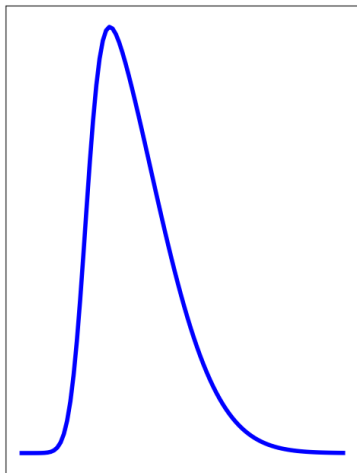


\mathbf{d}

Analytic

e.g.

$$P(\mathbf{d}|\theta) \propto e^{-(\mathbf{d}-\mu)^2}$$

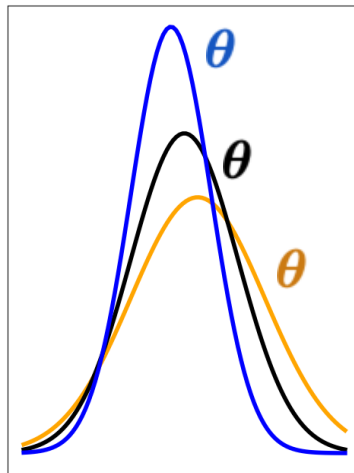


\mathbf{d}

Biased

e.g.

Instrumental
systematics

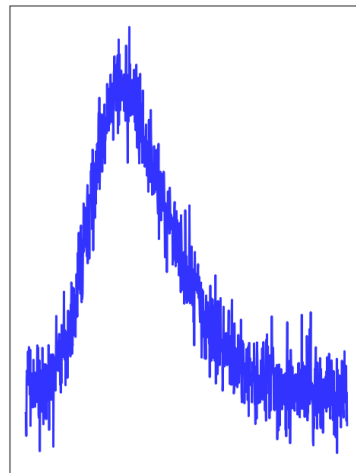


\mathbf{d}

**Signal-
dependent
uncertainty**

e.g.

Cosmic variance



\mathbf{d}

Intractable

e.g.

Non-trivial
selection functions

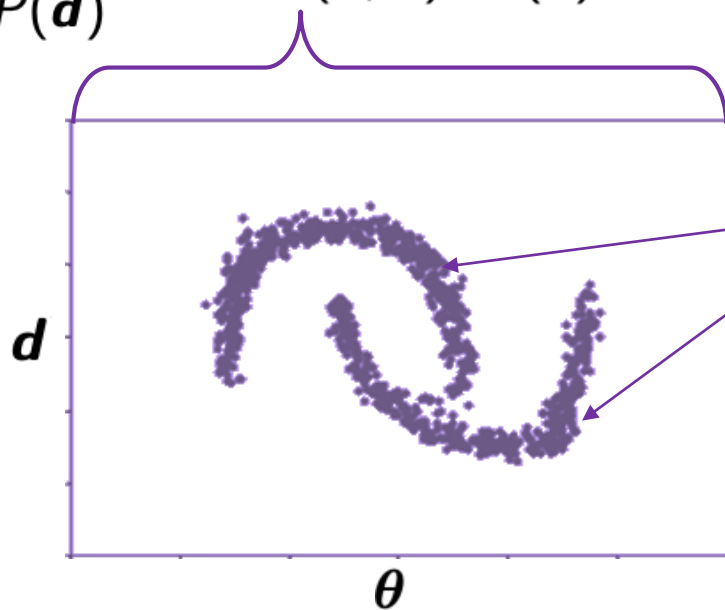
Bayes' Theorem

Posterior Likelihood Prior

$$P(\theta|\mathbf{d}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{d}|\theta) \cdot P(\theta)}{P(\mathbf{d})} \propto \underbrace{P(\theta, \mathbf{d}) \cdot P(\theta)}_{\text{Joint probability}}$$

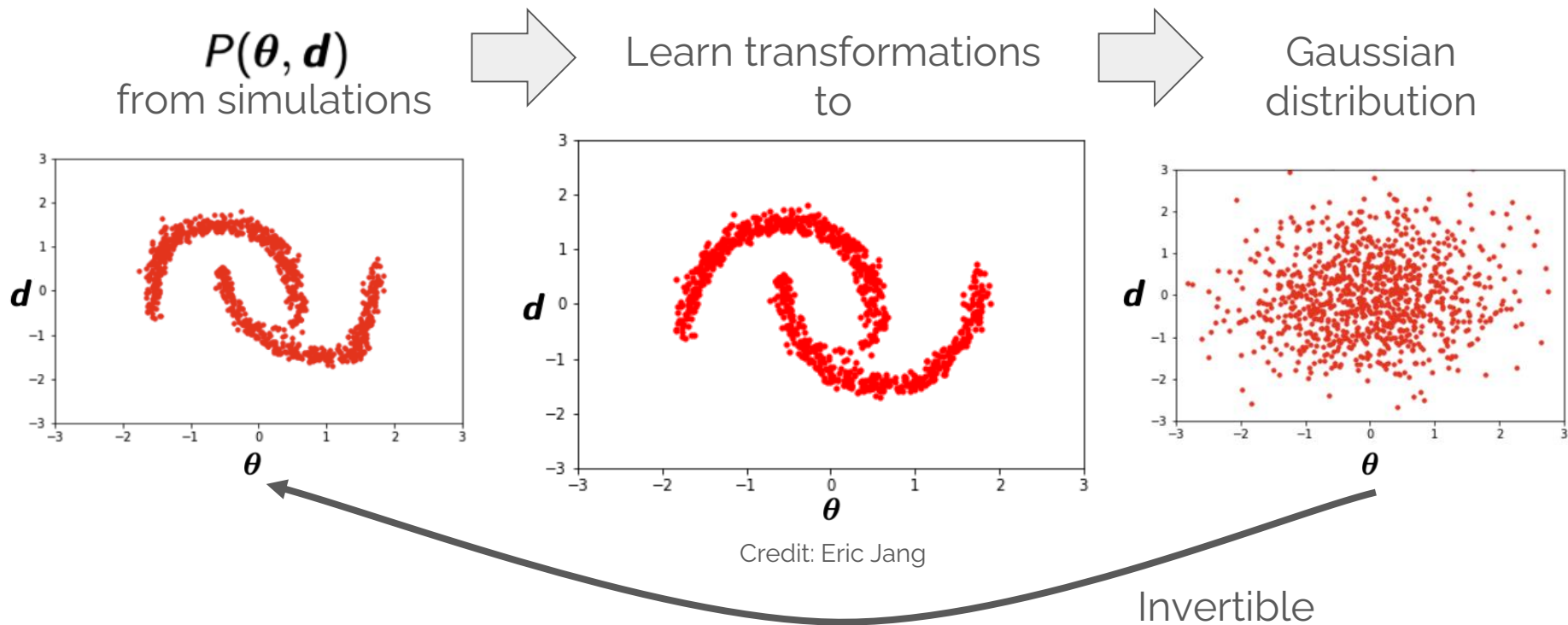
θ : Model parameters

\mathbf{d} : Data



Populate with
simulations
given a model

Simulation-Based Inference

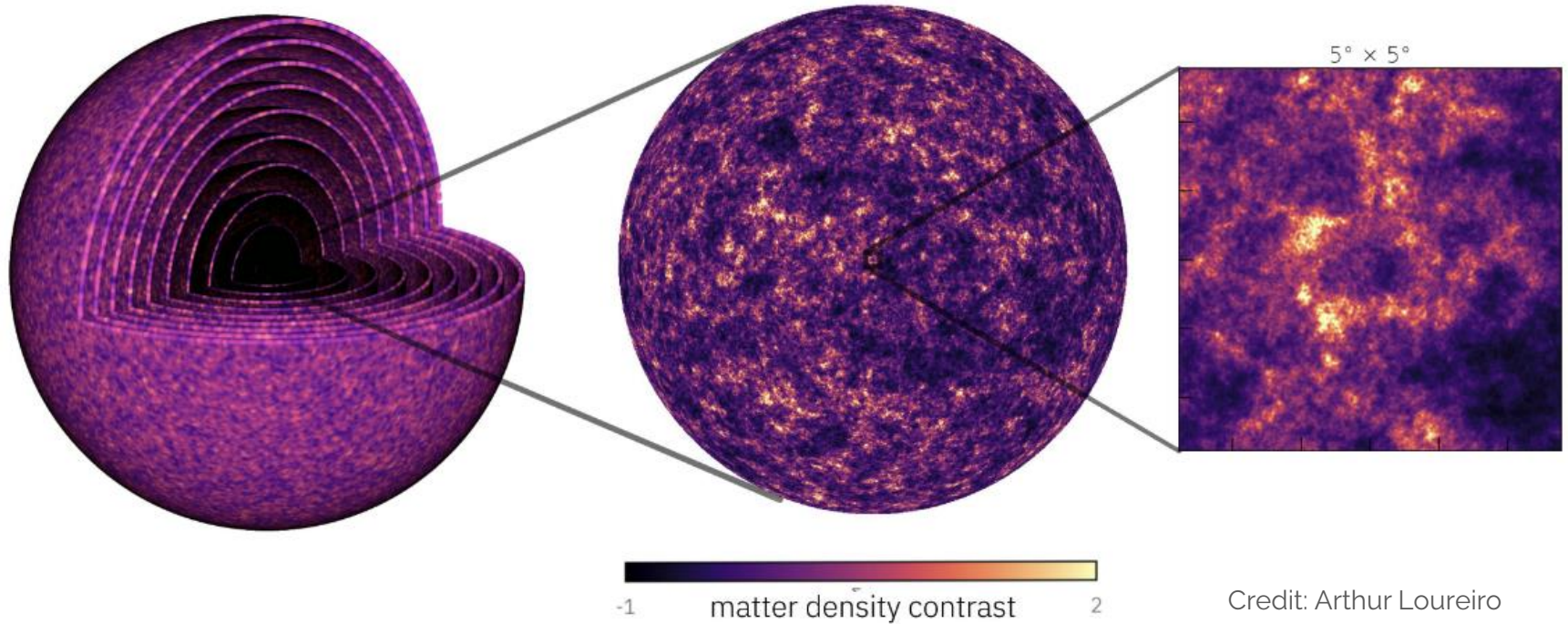


Cosmic Shear & Large-Scale Structure

In collaboration with K. Lin, N. Tessore, B. Joachimi, A. Loureiro, R. Reischke, A.H. Wright

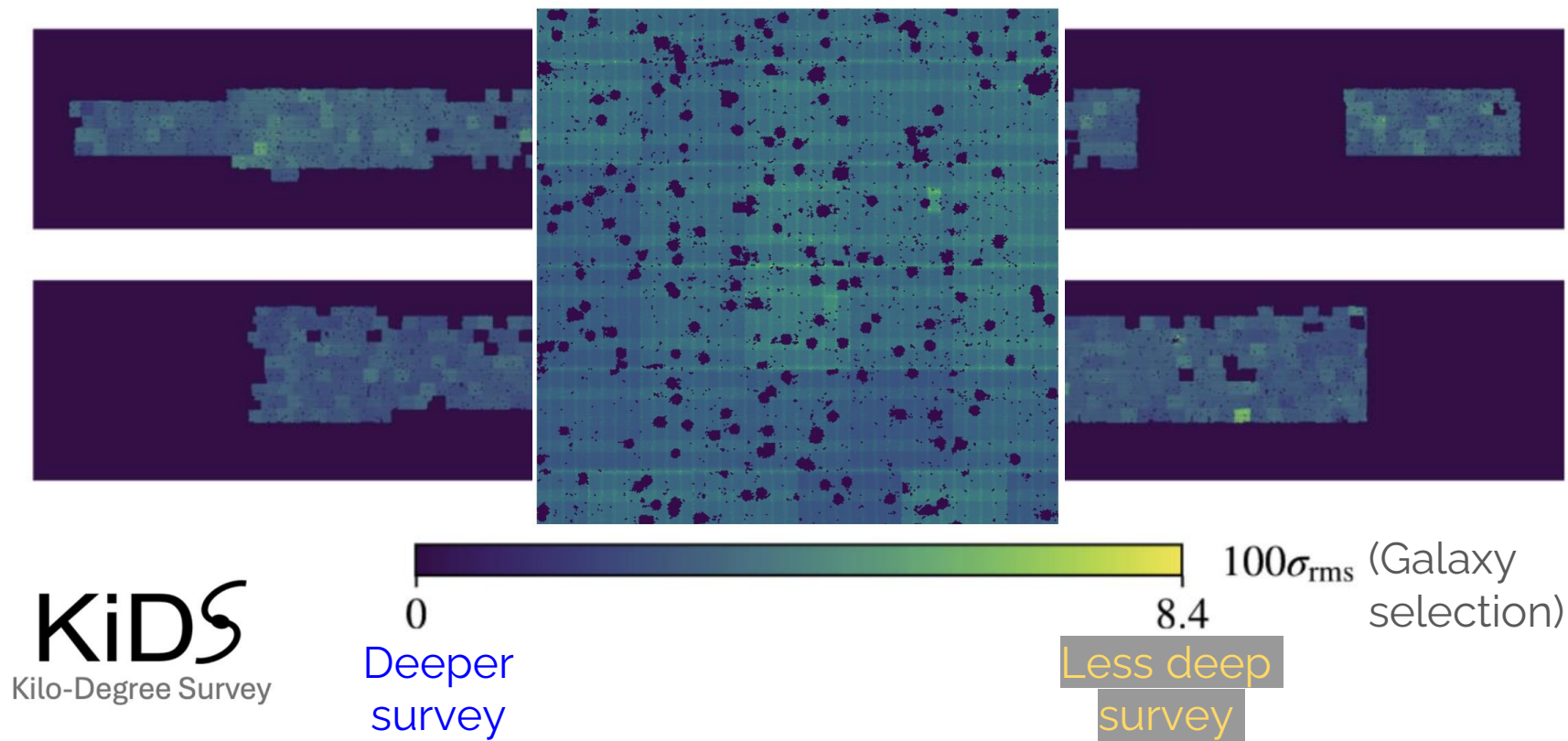
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Simulating Large-Scale Structure



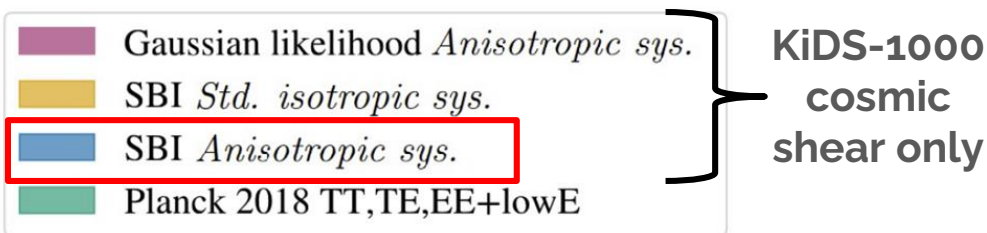
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Realistic Selection and Systematics

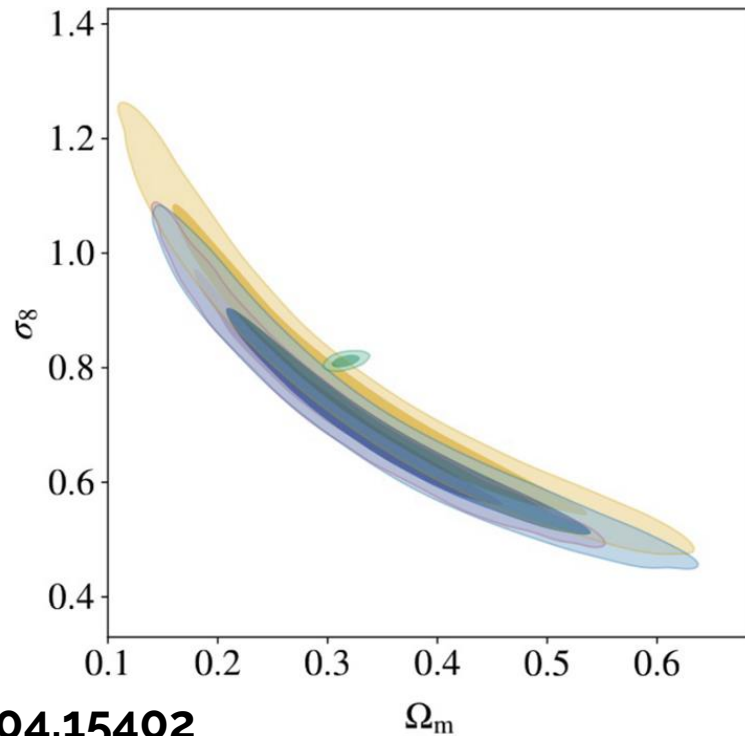
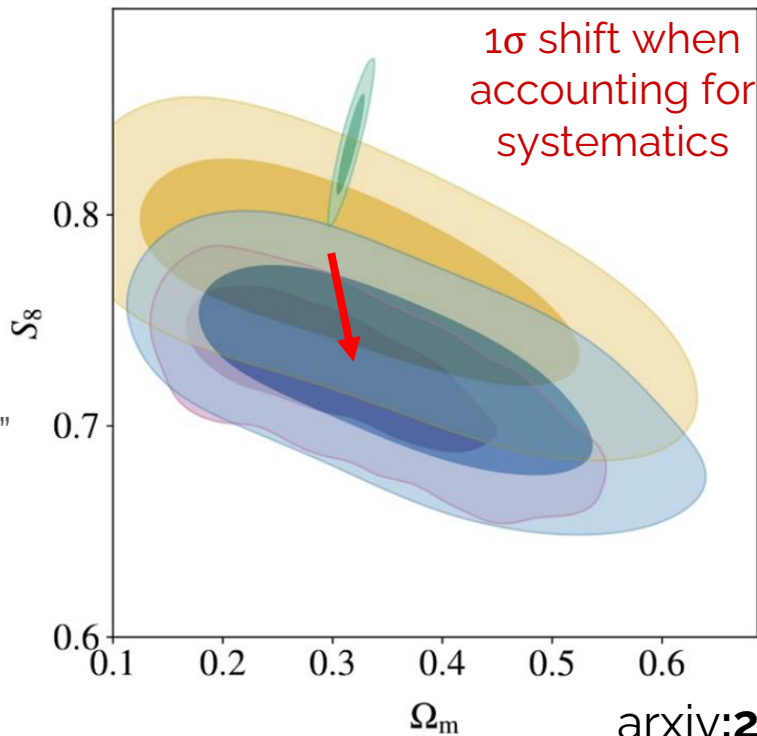


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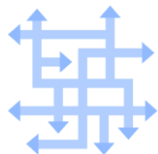
SBI in Cosmic Shear



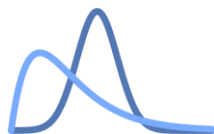
Weak
lensing
parameter
for
“clumpiness”



Conclusions



SBI allows for uncertainty propagation of **arbitrary complexity**



Including a realistic systematics and selections shifts S_8 to **0.731 ± 0.033 (1σ lower!)**



As future surveys become **systematics-limited**, SBI may help address modelling challenges