

Why is the Universe accelerating?

Observational constraints



Summer program

Supernovae

Hubble parameter for a flat Λ CDM neglecting the radiation (good for late times):

$$H^2(z) = \Omega_m(1+z)^3 + 1 - \Omega_m$$

We normally use:

$$E^2(z) = \frac{H(z)}{H_0}$$

The luminosity distance in Mpc is:

$$d_L = \frac{c}{H_0} (1+z) \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{E(z')} = \frac{c}{H_0} \hat{d}_L$$

with

$$\frac{c}{H_0} \simeq 3000 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc} \quad \text{and} \quad h \simeq 0.7$$

Supernovae

Supernovae data:

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#name zcmb zhel dz mb dmb
03D1au 0.50309 0.50309 0.0 22.93445 0.12605
03D1ax 0.4948 0.4948 0.0 22.8802 0.11765
03D1co 0.67767 0.67767 0.0 24.0377 0.2056
03D1ew 0.8665 0.8665 0.0 24.34685 0.17385
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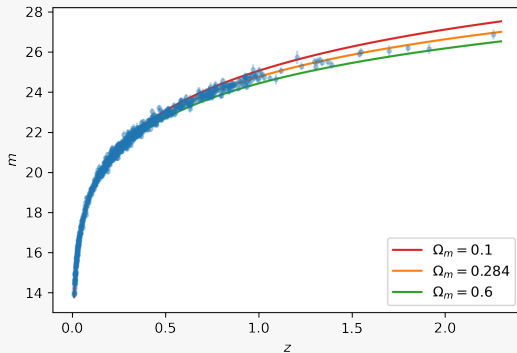
distance modulus (or apparent magnitude):

$$m = M + 5 \log_{10}(d_L/10\text{pc}) = M + 25 + 5 \log_{10} d_L$$

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$$h = 0.7$$

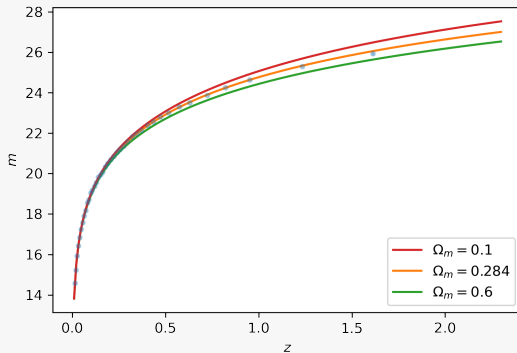
$$M = -19.36$$



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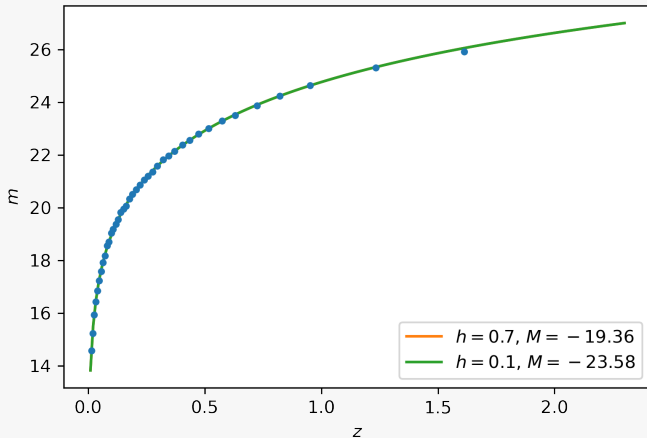
Likelihood $\mathcal{L} \propto e^{-\chi^2/2}$:

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L} = \underbrace{\sum_i \left(\frac{m_i - m_{\text{th}}}{\sigma_i} \right)^2}_{\chi^2} + \underbrace{\sum_i (\ln(2\pi\sigma_i^2))}_{\text{constant (usually)}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{th}} &= M + 25 + 5 \log_{10}(d_L) \\ &= \underbrace{M + 25 + 5 \log_{10}(c/H_0)}_{=\mathcal{M}=?} + 5 \log_{10} \hat{d}_L \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Omega_m = 0.284$$



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$$\mathcal{M} = M + 25 + 5 \log_{10}(c/H_0)$$

$$m_i - m_{\text{th}} = \underbrace{m_i - 5 \log_{10} \hat{d}_L}_{= \Delta_i} - \mathcal{M}$$

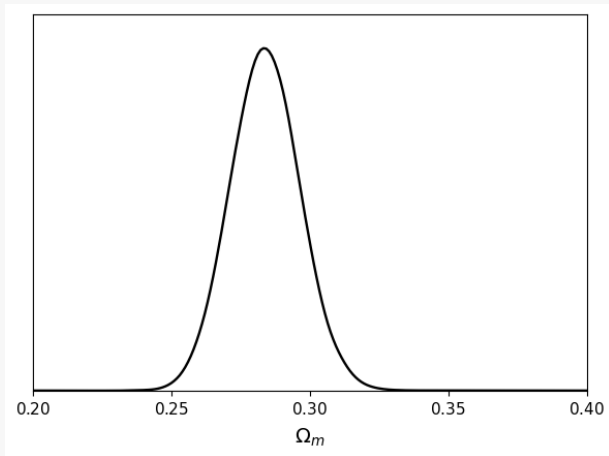
$$A = \sum_i \frac{\Delta_i^2}{\sigma_i^2} \quad B = \sum_i \frac{\Delta_i}{\sigma_i^2} \quad C = \sum_i \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}$$

and the chi-square to use is:

$$\chi^2 = A - \frac{B^2}{C}$$

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$$\Omega_m = 0.285 \pm 0.013$$

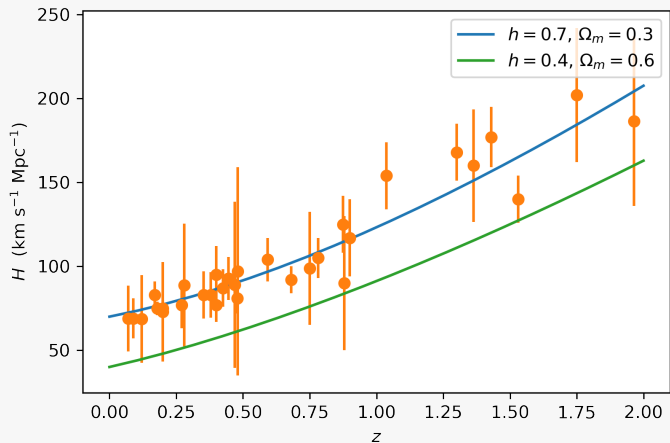


Cosmic chronometers

Cosmic chronometers data:

#	z	$H(z)$	$\sigma H(z)$
0.07	69	19.6	
0.09	69	12	
0.12	68.6	26.2	
0.17	83	8	
0.179	75	4	
0.199	75	5	
0.2	72.9	29.6	
0.27		

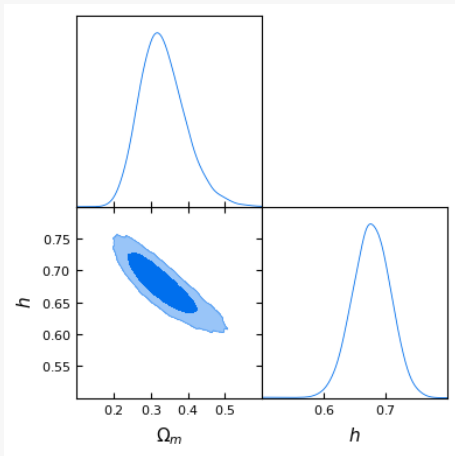
Cosmic chronometers



log-likelihood:

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Cosmic chronometers



$$\Omega_m = 0.33^{+0.05}_{-0.07}$$

$$h = 0.68 \pm 0.03$$

Baryon Acoustic Oscillations

Baryons decouple from radiation at the drag epoch: z_d

“standard ruler”: sound horizon at the drag epoch $r_d \approx 150\text{Mpc}$

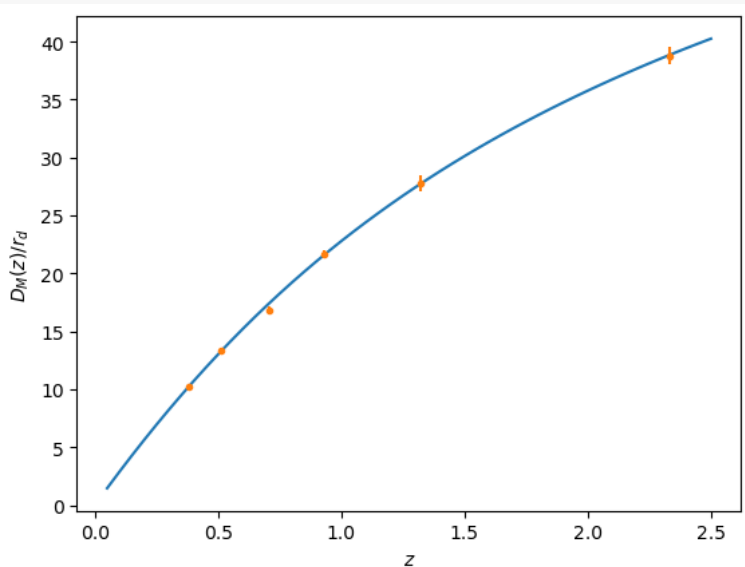
Comoving distance: $D_M(z) = \frac{c}{H_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{E(z')}$

Hubble distance: $D_H(z) = \frac{c}{H_0 E(z)}$

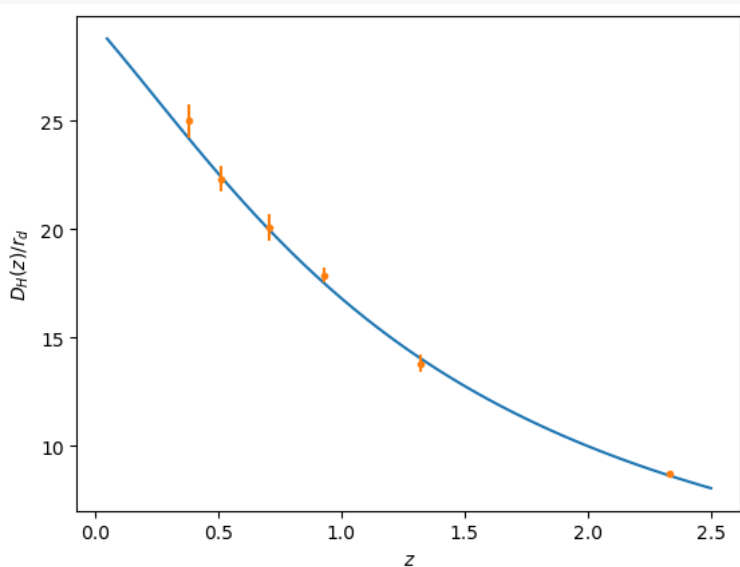
Effective “dilation scale” distance: $D_V(z) = [z D_M^2(z) D_H(z)]^{1/3}$

BAO constrains D_M/r_d , D_H/r_d or D_V/r_d .

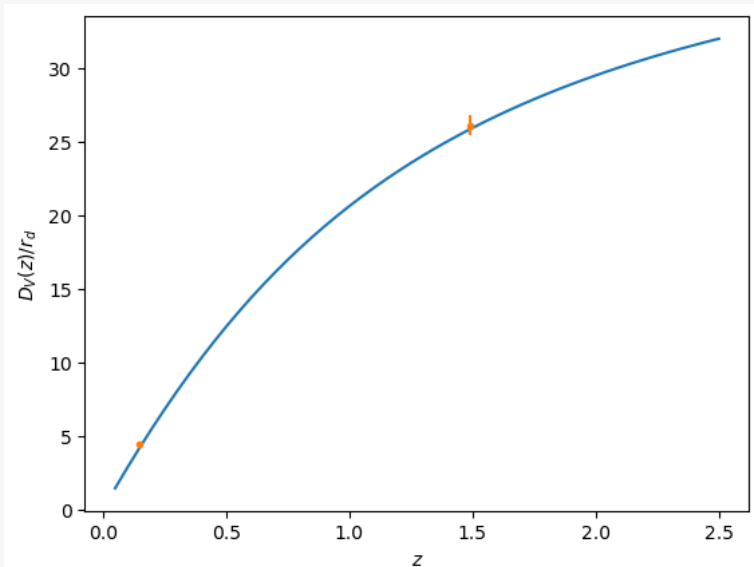
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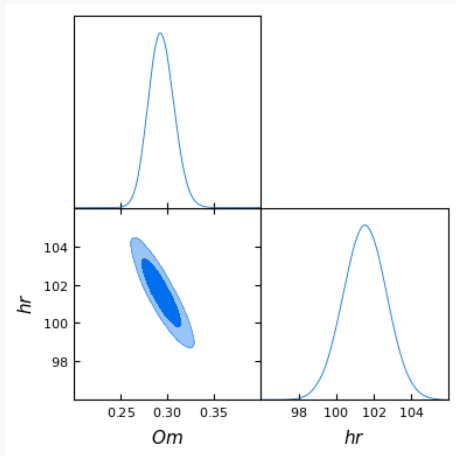


Baryon Acoustic Oscillations

(ignoring correlations)

$$-2\mathcal{L} = \sum_i \left(\frac{D_{Mi} - D_{M\text{th}}}{\sigma_{Mi}} \right)^2 + \sum_i \left(\frac{D_{Hi} - D_{H\text{th}}}{\sigma_{Hi}} \right)^2 + \sum_i \left(\frac{D_{Vi} - D_{V\text{th}}}{\sigma_{Vi}} \right)^2$$

Baryon Acoustic Oscillations



$$\Omega_m = 0.294^{+0.013}_{-0.015}$$

$$h r_d = 101.5 \pm 1.30$$