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## *Argonne Dark Energy Survey Group: Supernova Research*

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## Outline

- Summary of ANL HEP Division supernova (SN) research
- Dark Energy Survey (DES) activities
- Sloan Digital Sky Survey II (SDSS) activities
- Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST) activities
- Researching the origin of Type Ia supernova (SN Ia) light curves



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## Summary of ANL HEP Division Supernova Research

- SNANA: SuperNova ANAlysis package
  - Most sophisticated SN analysis code: used by DES, SDSS, LSST
  - Bernstein, Kuhlmann: members of core development group
- ANL DES group
  - Leading the effort to optimize the SN search
  - Leading the production of the optimization journal paper
- ANL SDSS group
  - Bernstein, Kuhlmann, Spinka: external collaborators
  - Key involvement in SN cosmology analysis using all 3 years of data
- ANL LSST group
  - Bernstein, Kuhlmann: SN science collaboration members
  - Key involvement in effort to forecast LSST SN sample
  - Authors on two sections of the LSST Science Book
- Bernstein, Kuhlmann: 2 of 5 people world wide in DES, SDSS, & LSST SN
- Forefront SN Ia light curve/white dwarf explosion model study w/ D. Lamb et al.

# SNANA: SuperNova ANalysis Package

(Kessler et al. 2009, PASP, 121, 1028 <http://adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2009PASP..121.1028K>)



- R. Kessler (U. Chicago), J. P. Bernstein, S. Kuhlmann (ANL), and others
- Public URL: <http://www.sdss.org/supernova/SNANA.html>
- Used by DES, SDSS, & LSST
- Software for simulating (both SN Ia & non-Ia) and fitting SN light curves
- Uses various models (e.g. MLCS2k2, SALT-II, stretch, etc.)
- Simulation steps
  - Generate rest-frame luminosity and fluctuations
  - Apply host galaxy dust extinction
  - Make redshift correction
  - Apply Milky Way dust map based on line of sight
  - Apply observatory weather history effects, sky noise, and detector effects



## Welcome to the SuperNova ANAlysis software homepage

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**SNANA contains a light curve fitter and simulation that can be applied to any supernova (SN) model and to any data set. This website provides installation instructions, a user manual, and a software package download area.**



# Example DES SNANA Simulated SN Ia Light Curves

$$1+z \equiv \lambda_{\text{obs}}/\lambda_{\text{emit}}$$

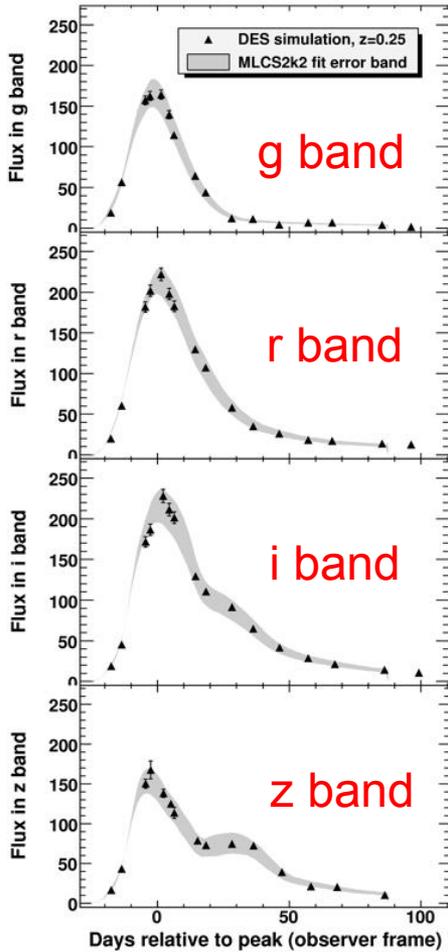
$z \equiv$  redshift

$\lambda_{\text{obs}}$  = observed wavelength

$\lambda_{\text{emit}}$  = emitted wavelength

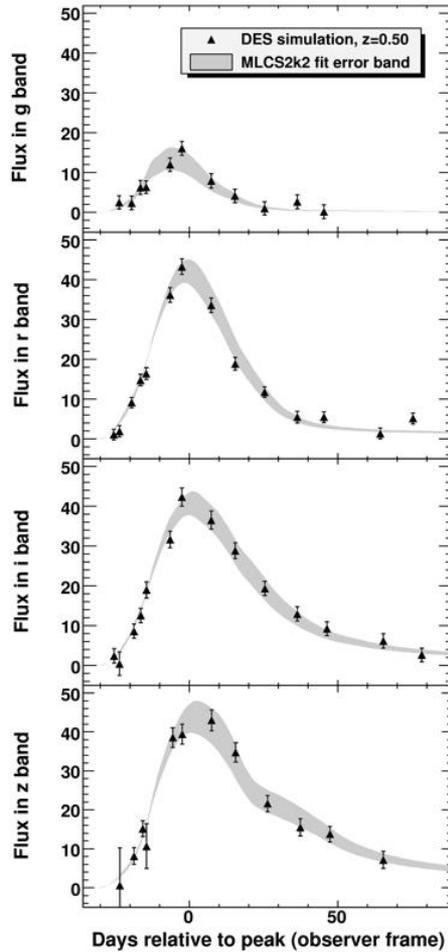
NB. distance  $\propto$  func( $z, \Omega$ )

Redshift 0.25



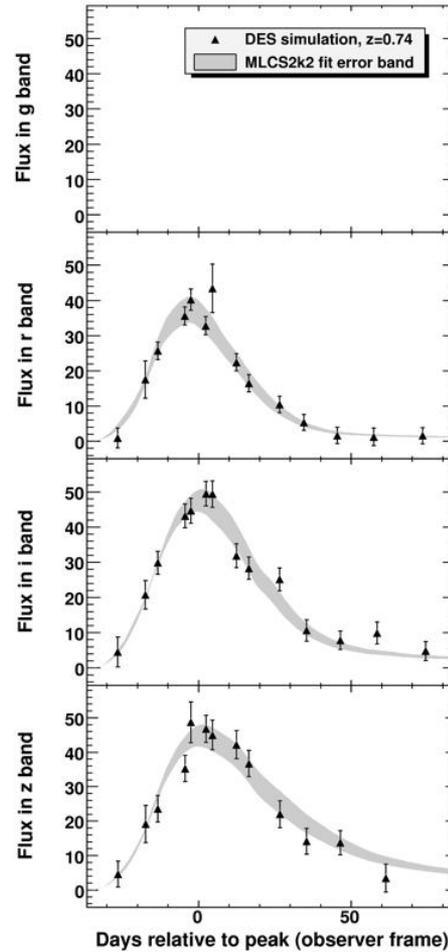
g band: 400 – 550 nm

Redshift 0.50



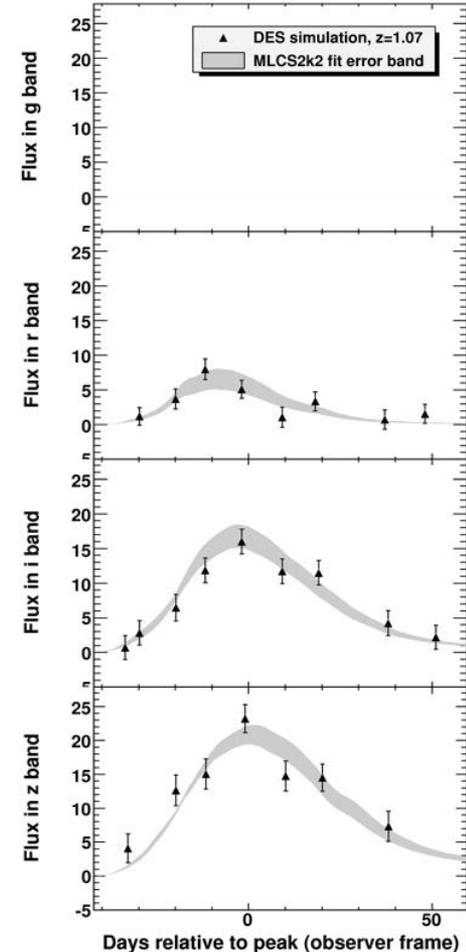
r band: 560 – 710 nm

Redshift 0.74



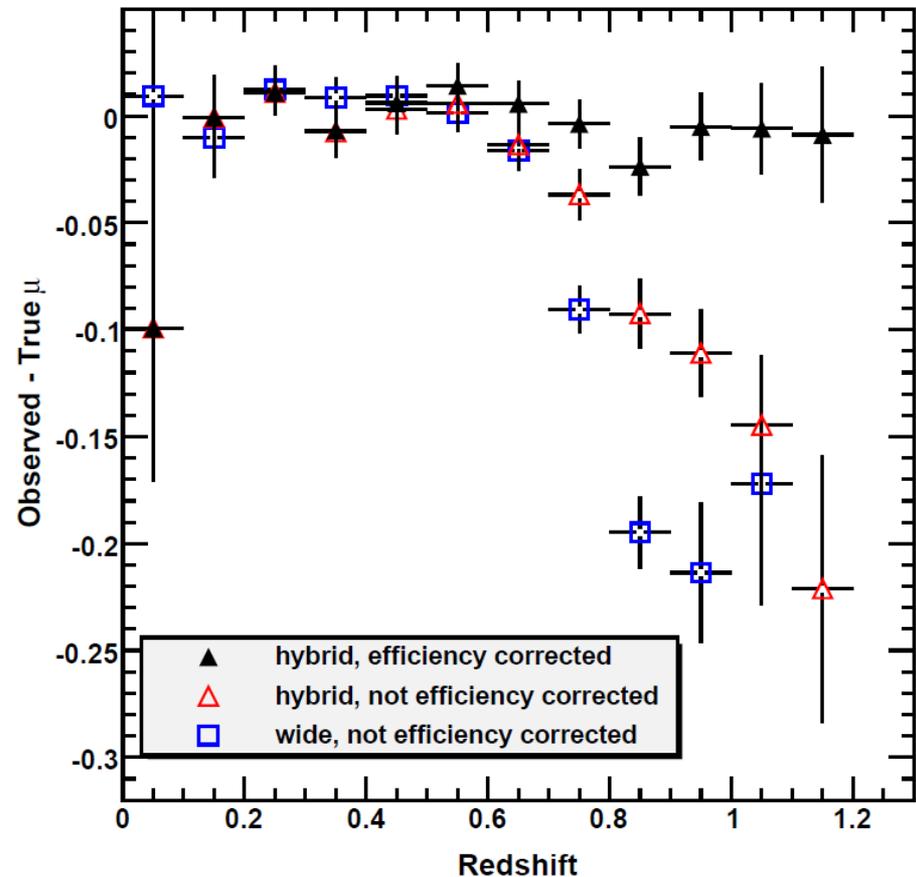
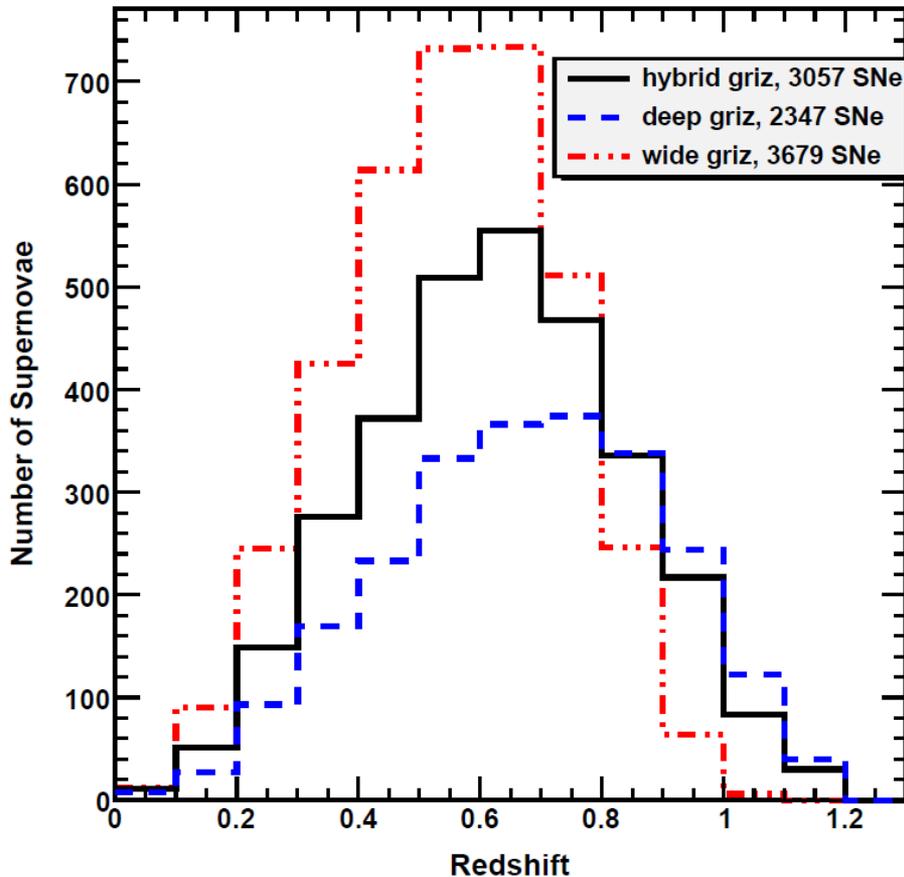
i band: 700 – 850 nm

Redshift 1.07



z band: 860 – 1000 nm

# DES Type Ia Supernova Sample SNANA Forecast

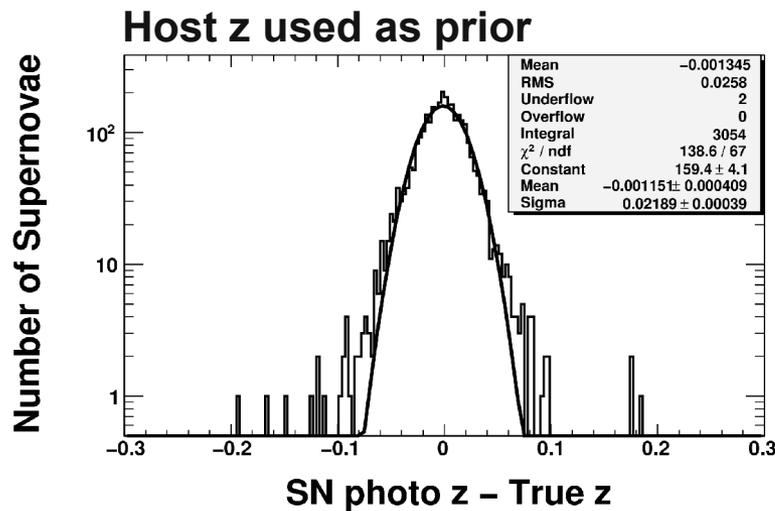
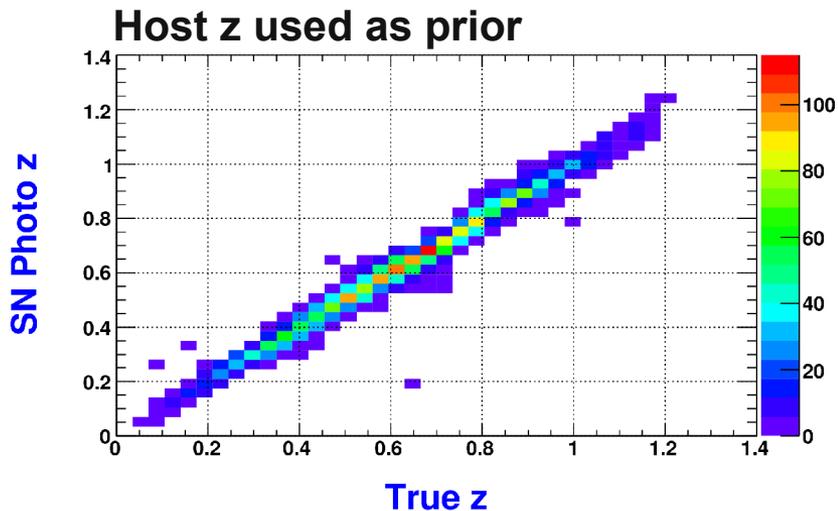
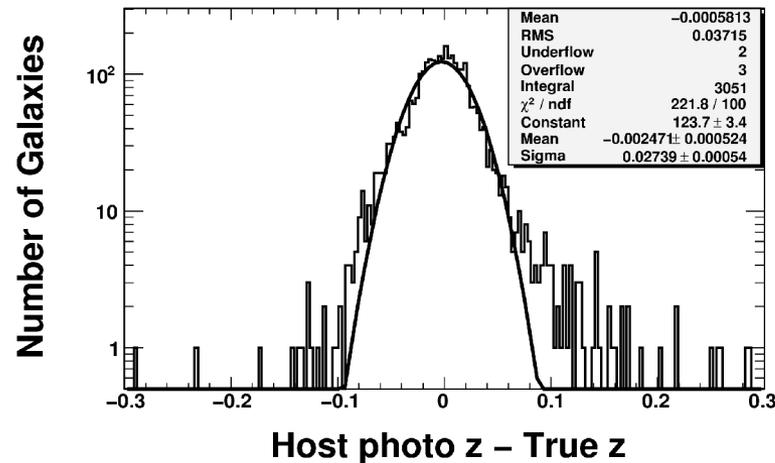
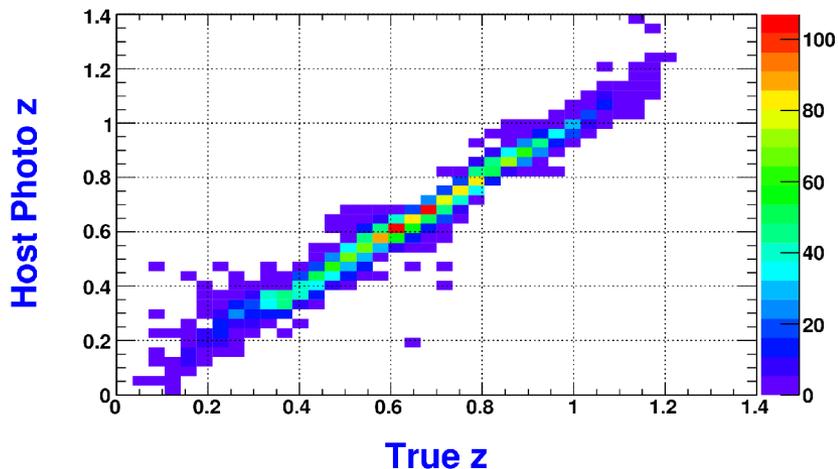


Distance modulus:  $\mu = 5 \log_{10}(d/10 \text{ pc})$

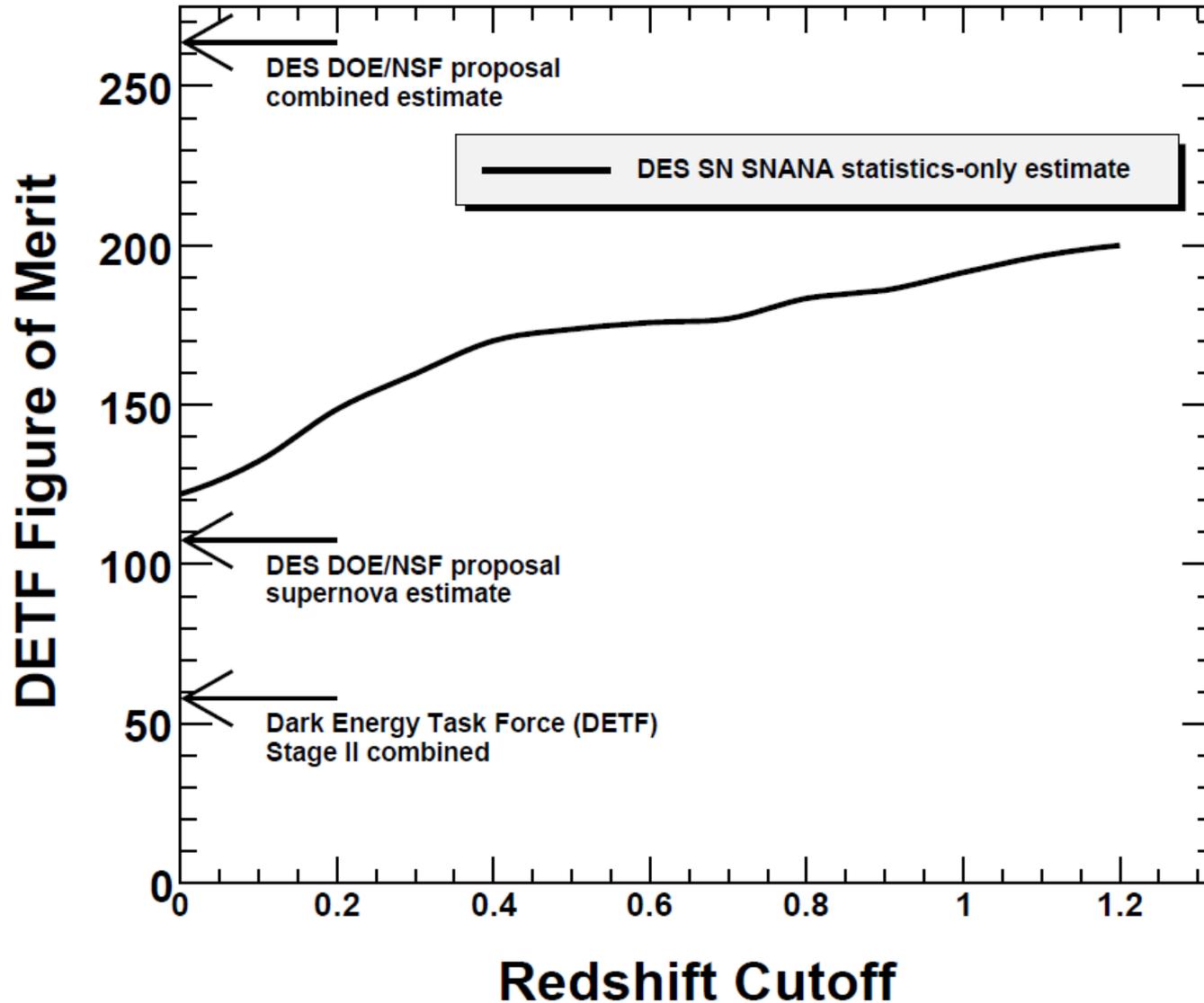
$d = \text{distance (1 pc} = 3.09 \times 10^{16} \text{ m)}$

# Photometric Redshifts

“Host” = galaxy in which SN exploded



# Dark Energy Task Force (DETF) Figure of Merit



# SNANA Forecasted Contamination of DES SN Ia Sample



Assume 100% host galaxy spectra		
Type	# SNe passing default cuts	# SNe passing default cuts + fit prob. > 0.1
Ia	3066	2954
Ibc	486	183
IIP	775	10
IIL	112	10
IIn	1417	26

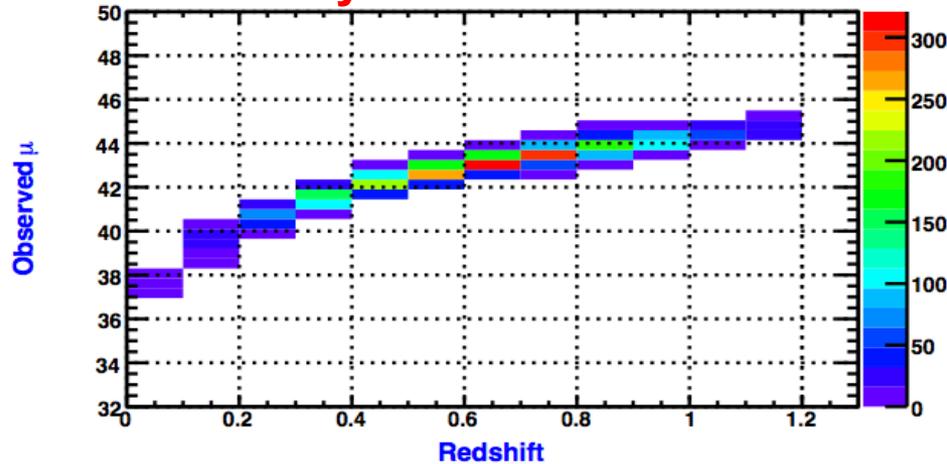
Default cuts: at least

- Five total epoch above a small, but non-zero signal to noise (SNR) threshold
- One epoch before B-band peak and at least one ten days after B-band peak
- One filter measurement with SNR > 10 and two additional with SNR > 5

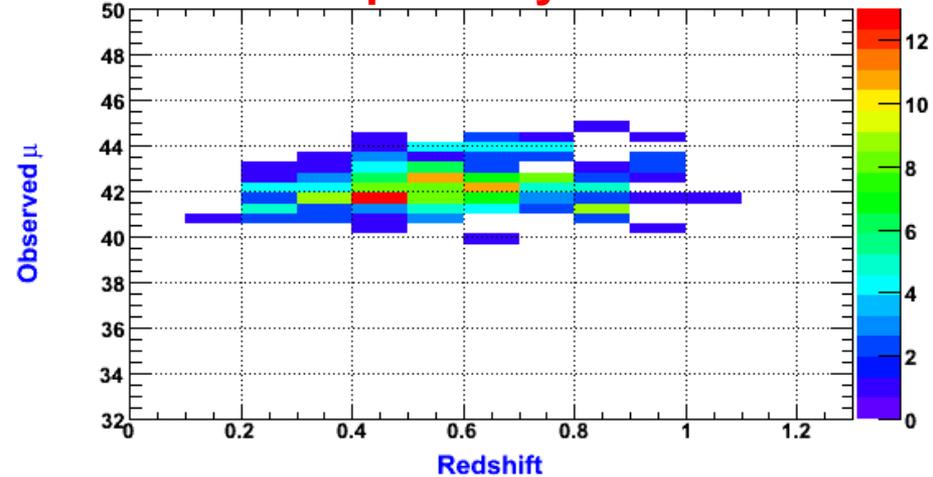
- 1000,664 total SNe generated, 9344 SN Ia
- About 7% core collapse “contamination” with fit probability cut > 0.1
  - Biases cosmology fit by about 6 standard deviations!
- Fit probability cut > 0.5 reduces contamination to about 2%
  - Also reduces bias to less than 2 standard deviations
  - Trade off is loss of about 20% of the SN Ia sample

# Two Component Fit: Alternative to Fit Probability Cut

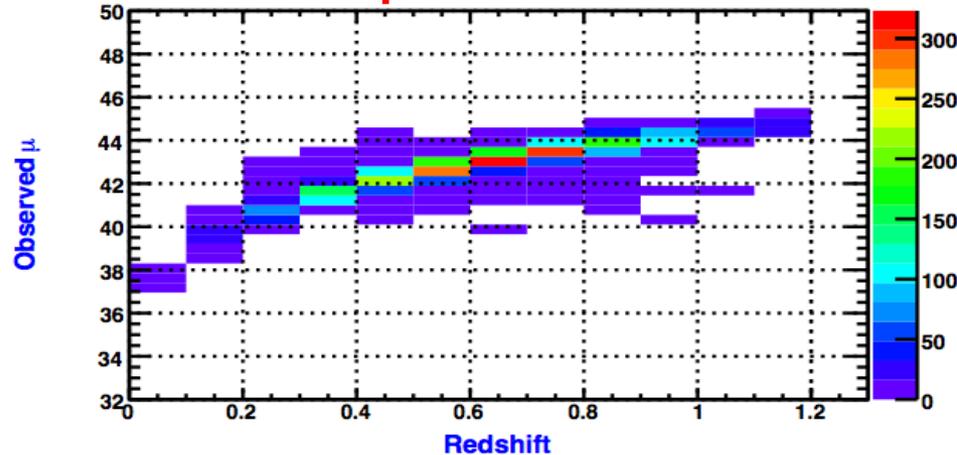
SN Ia only



Core collapse only



Entire sample

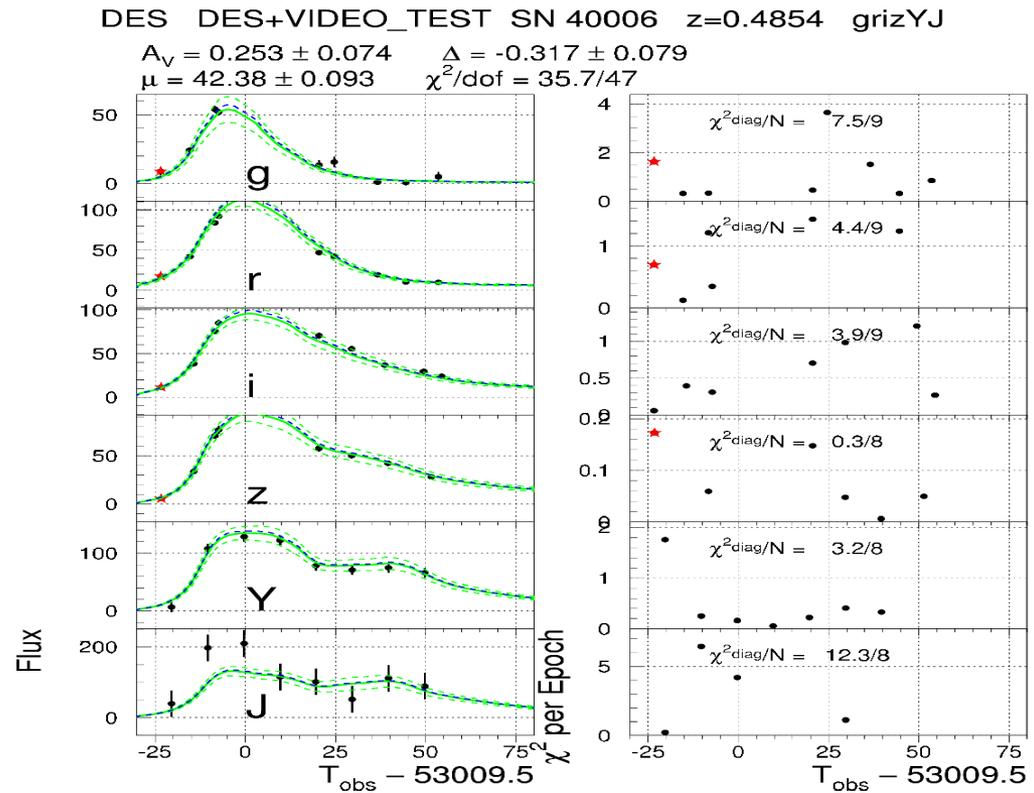


Undergraduate students Tara Hufford (Loyola U. Chicago) & Ian Crane (U. Illinois) are actively working on studies of two component fits and a student research poster presentation is anticipated at the 215th Meeting of the American Astronomical Society 3–7 January, 2010, in Washington, D.C.

# Exploring DES+VIDEO Optical/Infrared SN Ia Light Curves



- VIDEO is a new infrared survey
- DES–VIDEO overlap presents an outstanding opportunity
- Extension of optical SN Ia light curves to the infrared
  - Enables more accurate colors due to the larger lever arm
  - Provided by the increased wavelength range
- Germane as SN cosmology on cusp of being limited by systematics

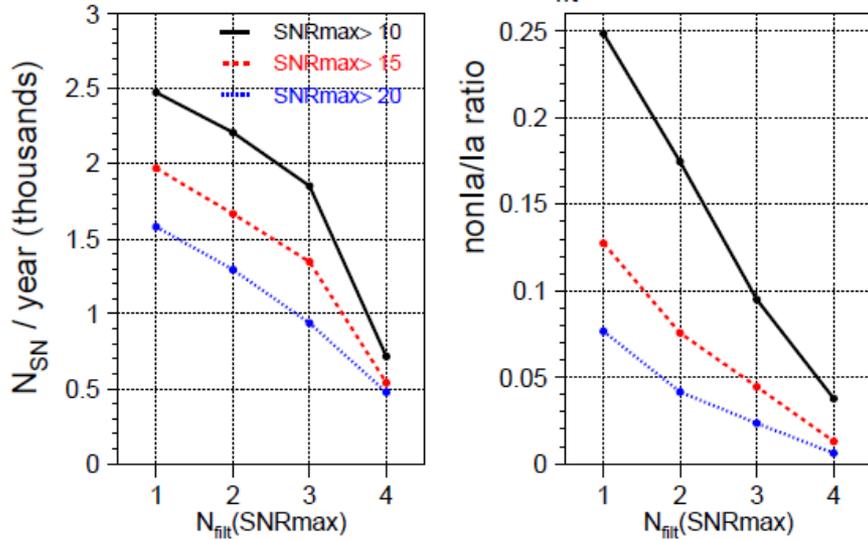


Upgrading the low redshift SN anchor dataset to include the CFA3 sample: a key element of the full SDSS SN cosmology analysis based on the 3-year sample

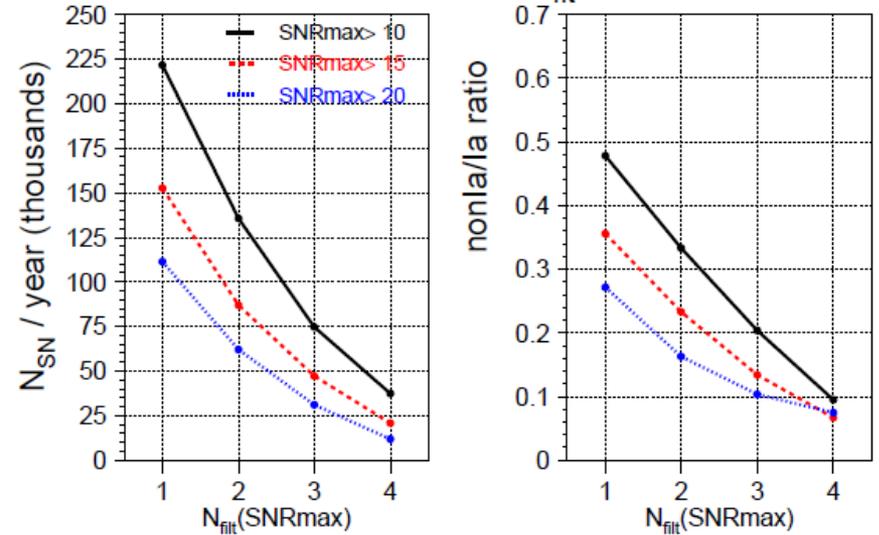
<i>Dataset</i>	<i>w</i>	<i>sig_w +</i>	<i>sig_w -</i>	<i>OM</i>	<i>sig_OM</i>
SDSS+SNLS+ESSENCE*	-0.711	0.088	0.082	0.319	0.025
<u>Old LOWZ fits</u>					
LOWZ+SDSS*	-0.915	0.133	0.122	0.273	0.028
SDSS+LOWZ+SNLS+ESSENCE*	-0.765	0.08	0.07	0.306	0.021
SDSS+LOWZ+SNLS+ESSENCE+HST*	-0.757	0.071	0.064	0.308	0.019
LOWZ+ESSENCE+SNLS*	-0.779	0.083	0.082	0.302	0.022
<i>*Matches SNCOSMO09 paper</i>					
<u>New low-z (CFA3) fits</u>					
CFA3+SDSS	-0.845	0.11	0.105	0.287	0.026
SDSS+CFA3+SNLS+ESSENCE	-0.742	0.07	0.065	0.311	0.02
SDSS+CFA3+SNLS+ESSENCE+HST	-0.738	0.061	0.059	0.312	0.019
CFA3+ESSENCE+SNLS	-0.733	0.07	0.07	0.313	0.021

# LSST SNANA Studies

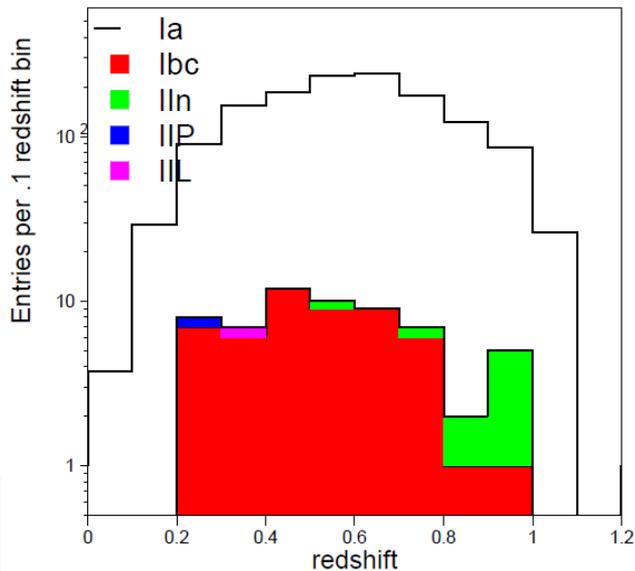
DEEP Survey,  $P_{\text{fit}} > .1$



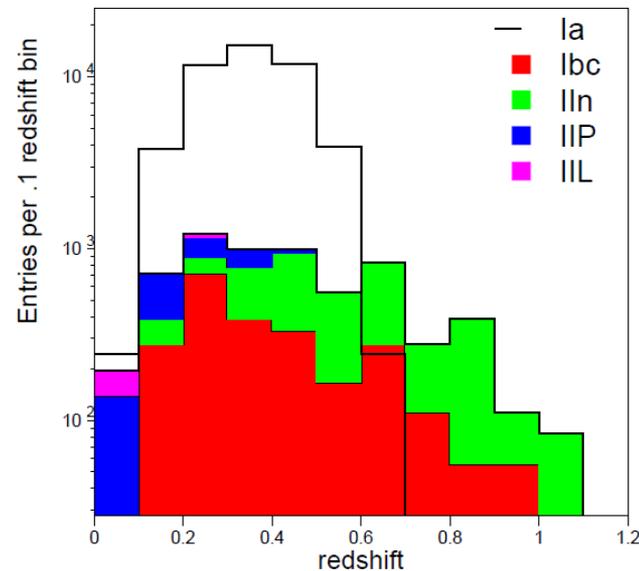
MAIN Survey,  $P_{\text{fit}} > .1$



DEEP Survey with Selection cuts

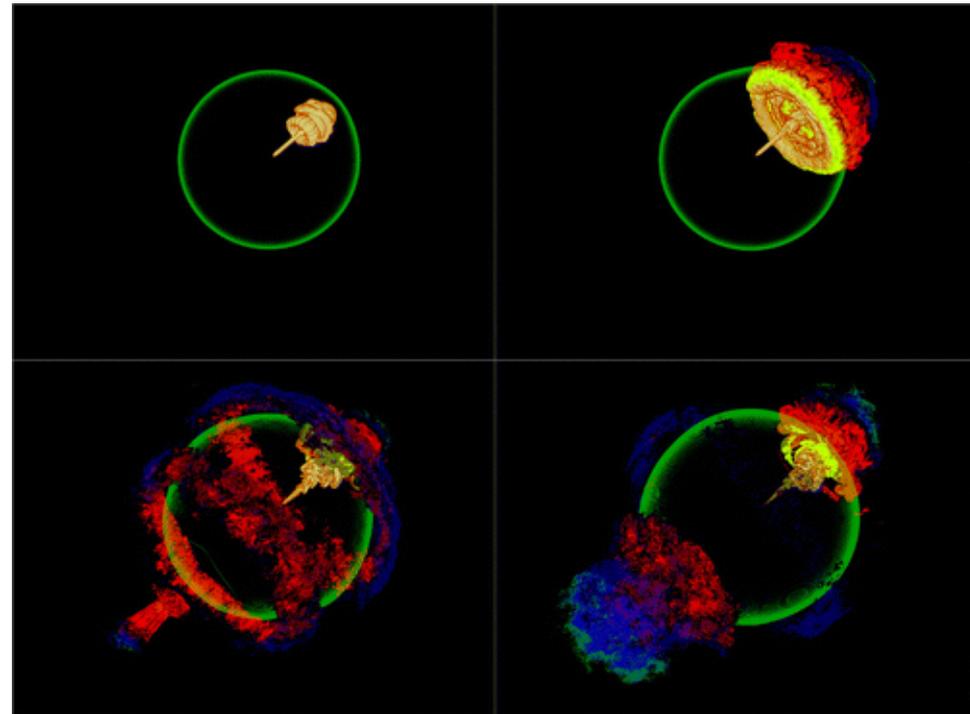


MAIN Survey with Selection cuts



# Researching SN Ia Light Curve Origins

- Difficulties tracing SN Ia light curves to white dwarf detonation persist
- Requires reliance on parametric light curve models
  - For example, MLCS2k2 & SALT-II
  - First principles elusive
- Kuhlmann & Bernstein joined FNAL and U. Chicago (UC) scientists
  - Successful UC/FNAL/ANL seed grant research proposal
  - Study utilizes SDSS light curves & FLASH simulated SN Ia explosions

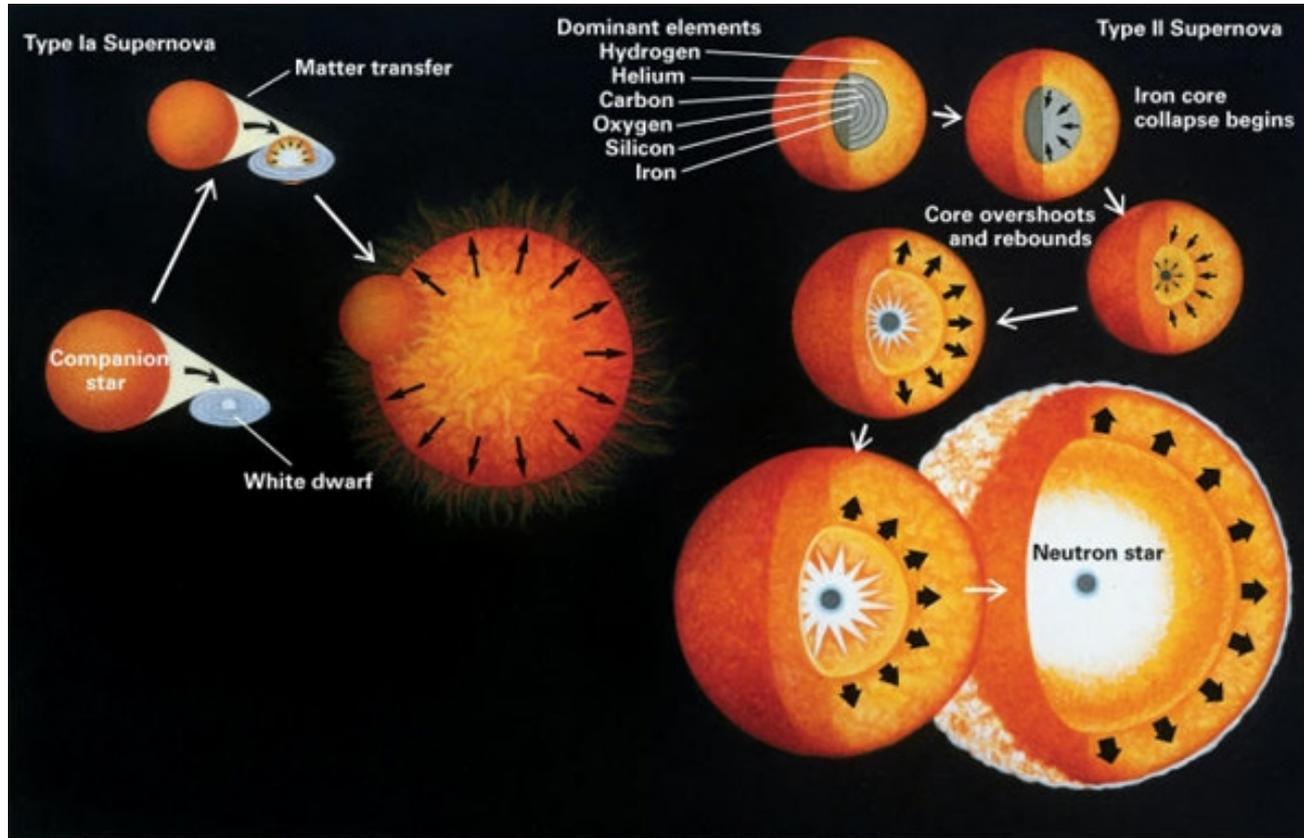


Jordan et al. 2008, ApJ, 681, 1448

# Backup Slides

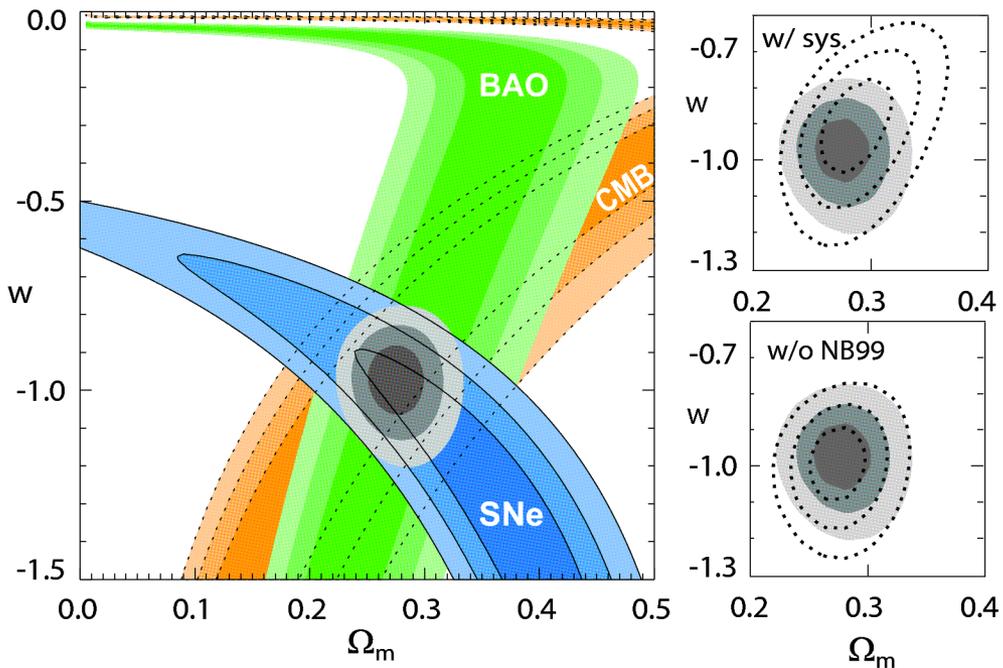


# Supernova Explosions

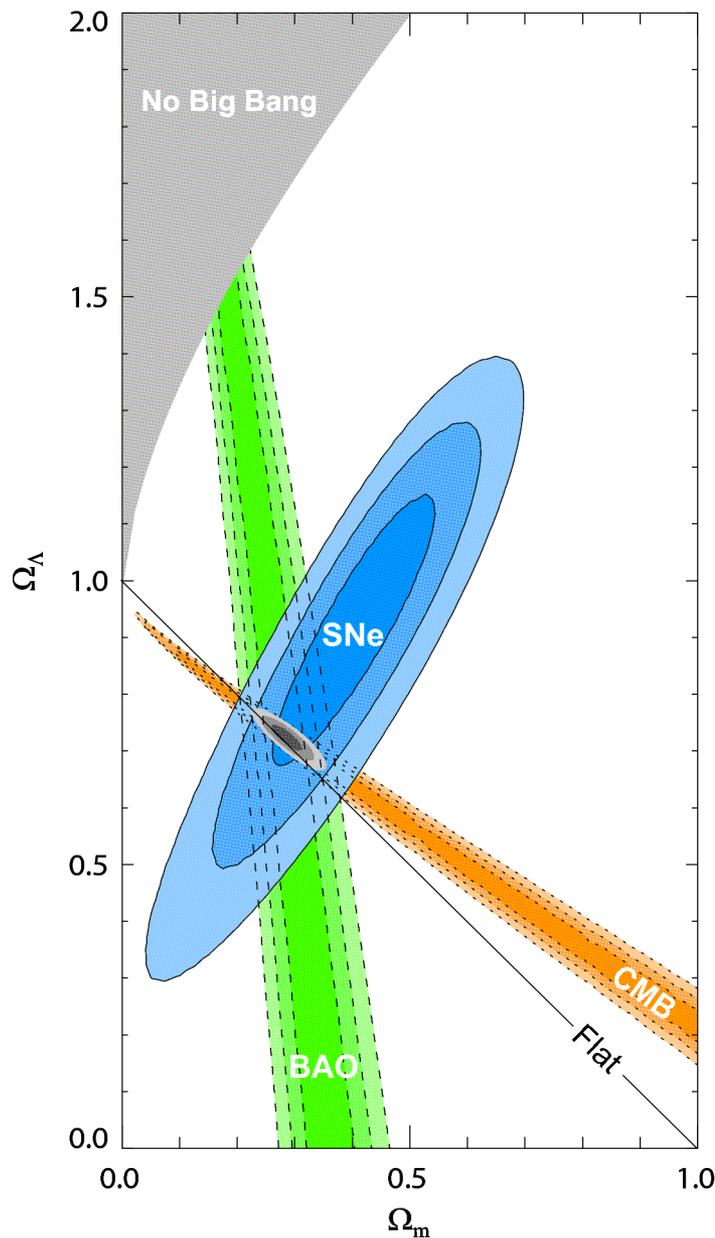


Courtesy Encyclopedia Britannica

# Current Cosmology Constraints



Kowalski et al. 2008, ApJ, 686, 749



# Multicolor Light Curve Shape Model

(MLCS2k2; Jha, Riess, Kirshner 2007, ApJ, 659, 122)

- Light curve model magnitude  $m_x$  for passband  $x$  at given epoch:

$$m_x = M_x + \mu_0 + \Xi_{x,MW} + \Xi_{x,H}(R_v, A_{v0}) + P_x \Delta + Q_x \Delta^2$$

- 4 free parameters:

- $t_0$ : epoch of maximum light in B-band
- $\mu_0$ : distance modulus
- $\Delta$ : luminosity/light curve shape parameter
- $A_{v0}$ : extinction in magnitudes by host dust;  $R_v = A_{v0} / E(B-V)$ , initially set to 3.1\*

- Provided by MLCS2k2 SN data training (Jha, Riess, Kirshner 2007):

- $M_x$ : rest-frame magnitude w/  $\Delta = A_{v0} = 0$
- $P_x$  &  $Q_x$ : describe change in shape & luminosity as function of  $\Delta$
- $\Xi_x$ : extinction functions; “MW” for Milky Way & “H” for host galaxy

\* Cardelli, Clayton, Mathis 1989, ApJ, 345, 245, and references therein

# Spectral Adaptive Lightcurve Template Model

(SALT-II; Guy et al. 2007, ApJ, 466, 11)



## ■ Light curve model flux F:

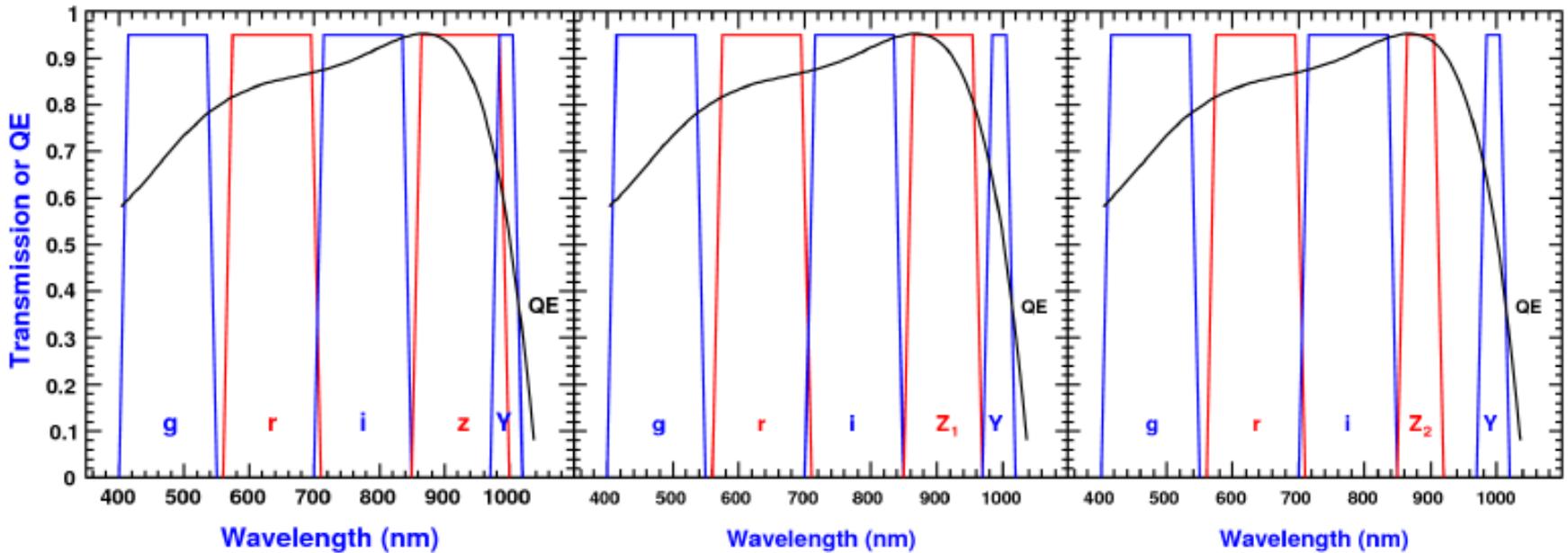
$$F(p, \lambda) = x_0 \times [M_0(p, \lambda) + x_1 M_1(p, \lambda) + \dots] \times \exp[cCL(\lambda)]$$

- $p$  is the rest-frame time since the date of maximum B luminosity
- $\lambda$  is the wavelength in the SN rest-frame
- $x_0$  is normalization of the SED sequence
- $x_{k>0}$  are the intrinsic parameters of SN (such as a stretch)
- $M_0(p, \lambda)$  is the average spectral sequence
- $M_{k>0}(p, \lambda)$ , are additional components describing main variability
- $CL(\lambda)$  is average color correction law
- $c = (B - V)_{MAX} - (B - V) =$  color offset wrt max B luminosity

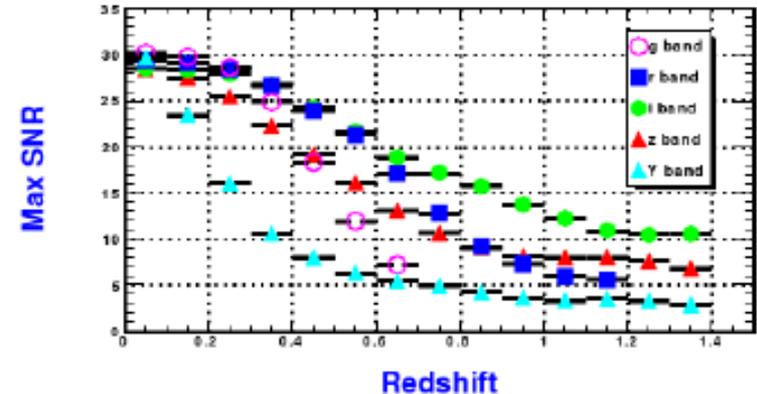
## ■ $M_k$ and $CL$ are properties of the global model

## ■ $x_k$ and $c$ are parameters of a given SN

# Original DES Filter Options



- SN Filters: g, r, i, z or Z<sub>1</sub> or Z<sub>2</sub>, Y ?
- DES has selected z & DES SN will NOT use Y
- Hybrid deep field griz exposure times: ~300s, 1200s, 1800s, 4000s
- Hybrid wide fields have 1/3 exposure times





#	MJD	IDEXPT	FLT	GAIN	NOISE	SKYSIG	PSF1 (pixels)	PSF2	PSF2/1	ZPTAVG	ZPTSIG	MAG
S: 52889.191	10000000	g	1.00	10.00	79.89	2.26	0.00	0.000	32.97	0.033	1.000	
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S: 52935.160	10000008	g	1.00	10.00	47.63	1.86	0.00	0.000	32.19	0.032	1.000	
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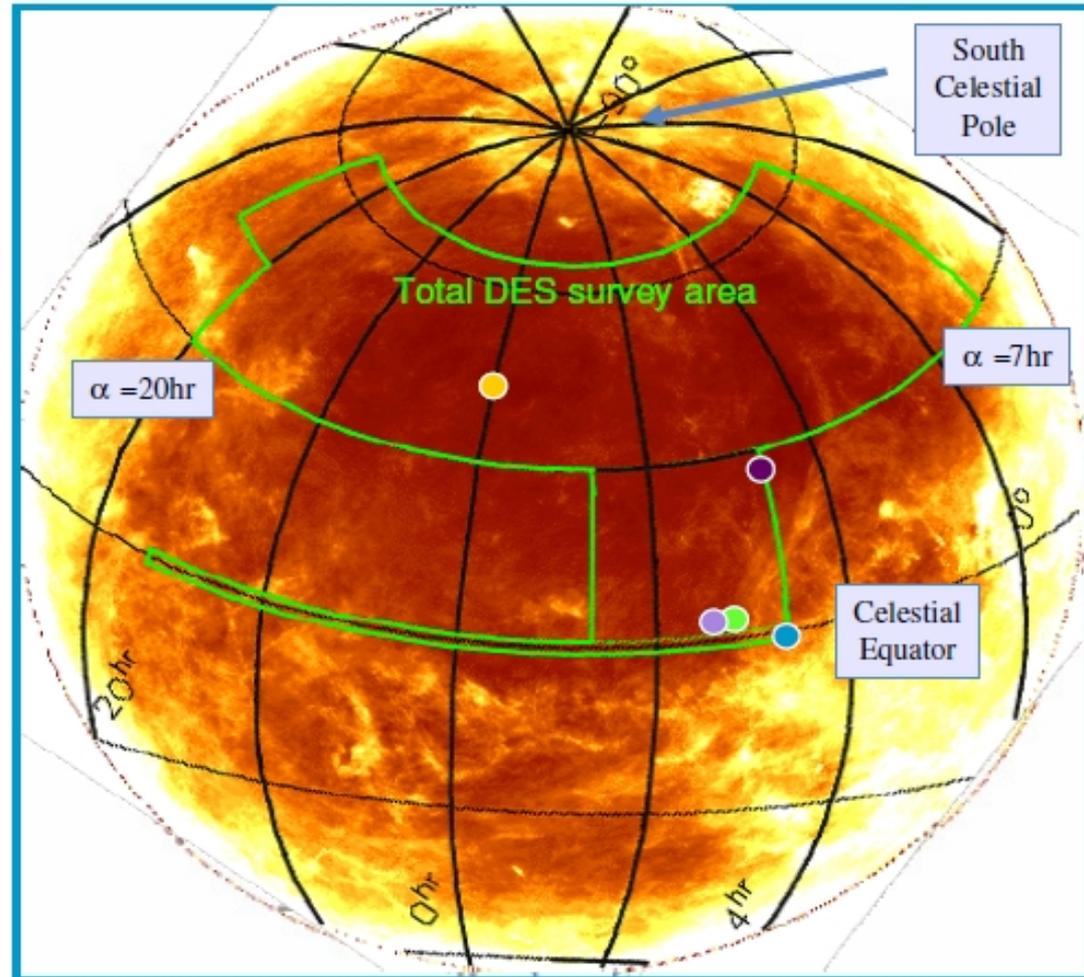
# Example Simulation Library File (g-band section only)

Effect of Moon  
 ESSENCE PSF variation  
 ESSENCE Zeropt variation

# Currently Favored DES SN Fields

- Chosen to maximize:
  - visibility from DES site
  - past observation history
  - visibility from, e.g, Hawaii

- Chandra Deep Field – South ●
- Sloan Stripe 82 ●
- SN Legacy Survey (SNLS) D1 ●
- XMM-Newton LSS ●
- ELIAS S1 ●



From a study by Peter Nugent

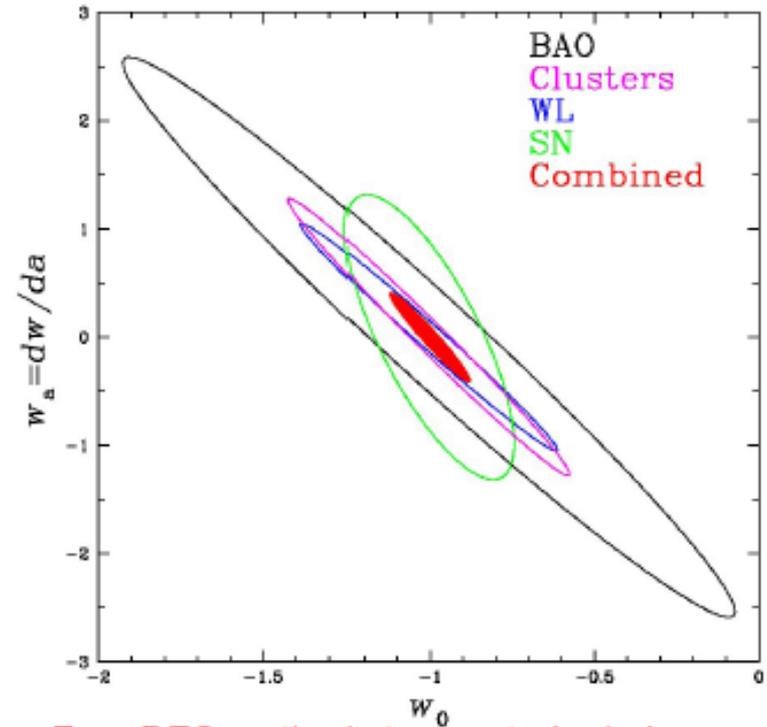
# Dark Energy Task Force Figure of Merit (FoM)



## ■ Dark Energy Task Force (DETF) FoM: inverse size of $w_a - w_o$ error ellipse

- $w(a) = w_o + (1-a)w_a$
- $a$  = scale factor
- $w_o = w$  at present epoch
- $w_a$  = rate of change of  $w$  with  $a$

## ■ Inverse area means bigger is better



Four DES methods to constrain dark energy (plot from NSF/DOE proposal including Planck priors but NOT the DETF Stage II constraints)

# DES-VISTA Synergy

- Motivation: simulate VISTA light curves
  - 4-m class wide field survey telescope
  - southern hemisphere
  - near IR camera (1.65 deg diam FOV)
  - 67 million pixels of mean size 0.339"
  - broad band filters at Z, Y, J, H, K<sub>s</sub>
  - narrow band filter at 1.18 micron



<http://www.vista.ac.uk>

## Summary of ANL HEP Division Supernova Research

- SNANA: SuperNova ANAlysis package
  - Most sophisticated SN analysis code: used by DES, SDSS, LSST
  - Bernstein, Kuhlmann: members of core development group
- ANL DES group
  - Leading the effort to optimize the SN search
  - Leading the production of the optimization journal paper
- ANL SDSS group
  - Bernstein, Kuhlmann, Spinka: external collaborators
  - Key involvement in SN cosmology analysis using all 3 years of data
- ANL LSST group
  - Bernstein, Kuhlmann: SN science collaboration members
  - Key involvement in effort to forecast LSST SN sample
  - Authors on two sections of the LSST Science Book
- Bernstein, Kuhlmann: 2 of 5 people world wide in DES, SDSS, & LSST SN
- Forefront SN Ia light curve/white dwarf explosion model study w/ D. Lamb et al.