

# Cosmology with weak-lensing peak counts

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# Outline

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Problems How to model WL peaks?

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Methodology A stochastic approach

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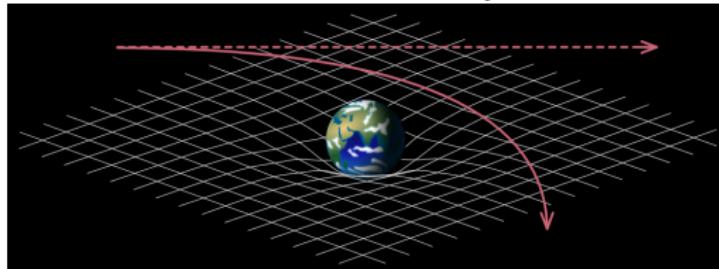
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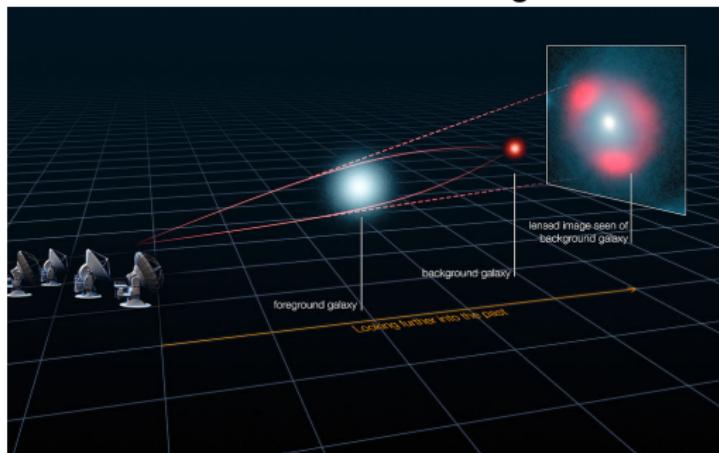
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# Motivation

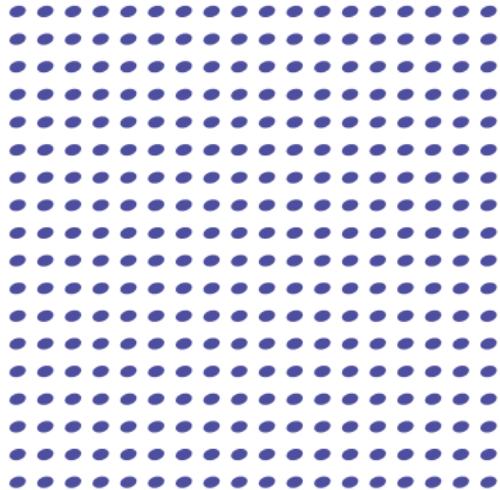
## General relativity



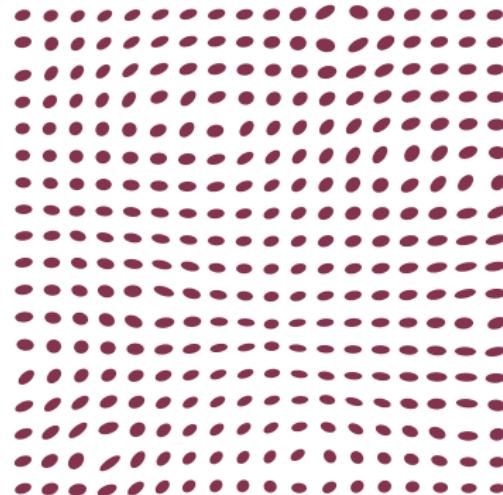
## Gravitational lensing



(Source: ALMA)

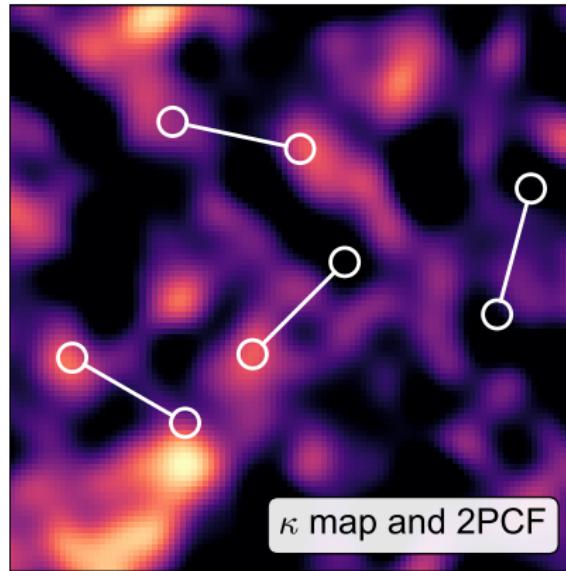


Unlensed sources



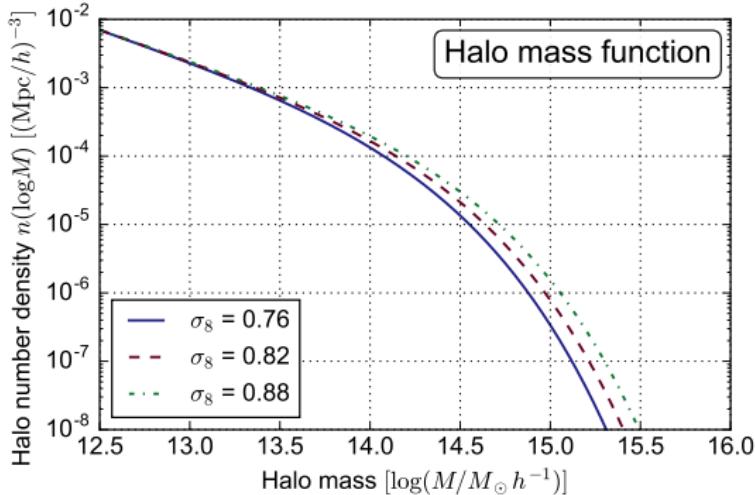
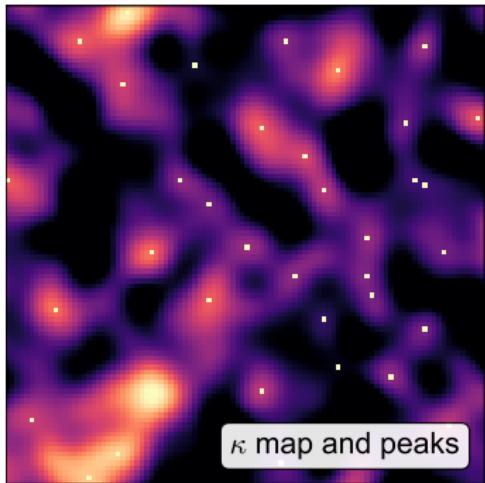
Weak lensing

## Gaussian information



But the lensing field is highly non-Gaussian

## Weak-lensing peak counts



- Local maxima of the projected mass
- Probe the mass function
- Constrain cosmology

# Problems

## Dealing with selection function

Projection effects, irregular sampling, noise, ...

### Early studies

Count only the true clusters with high S/N

(Kruse & Schneider 1999, 2000; Reblinsky et al. 1999)

### Recent studies

Include the selection effect into the model

- Analytical formalism
- $N$ -body simulations
- Fast stochastic model (this work)

## Difficulties

### Analytical models

- Fan et al. (2010) and series; Shirasaki (2017)
- Difficult to handle masks and photo- $z$  bias
- Difficult to include baryons or intrinsic alignment
- Need external covariances

### $N$ -body simulations

- Dietrich & Hartlap (2010) and series; Kratochvil et al. (2010) and series
- Very expensive time costs

## Challenges

How to model properly weak-lensing peak counts?

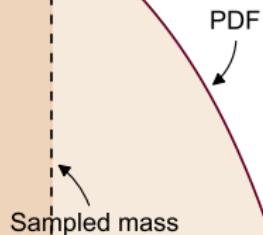
How to resolve the trade off between flexibility and speed?

What cosmological information can we extract from peaks?

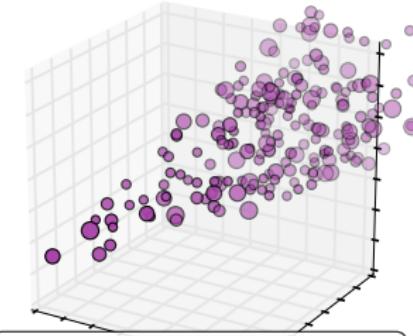
**A new model**

# A stochastic model to predict weak-lensing peak counts

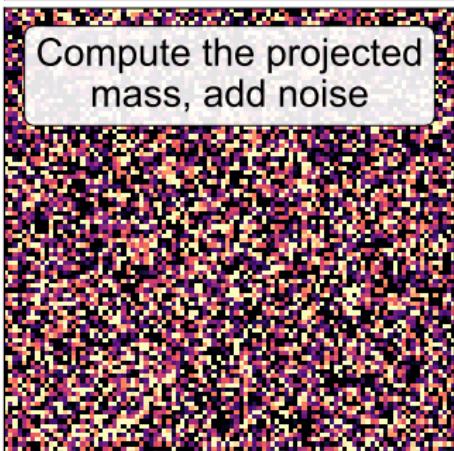
Sample halos from a mass function



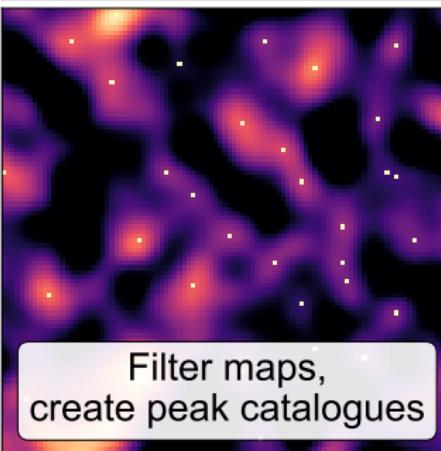
Assign density profiles, randomize positions



Compute the projected mass, add noise



Filter maps, create peak catalogues



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Estimate covariances easily

Go beyond the Gaussian likelihood assumption

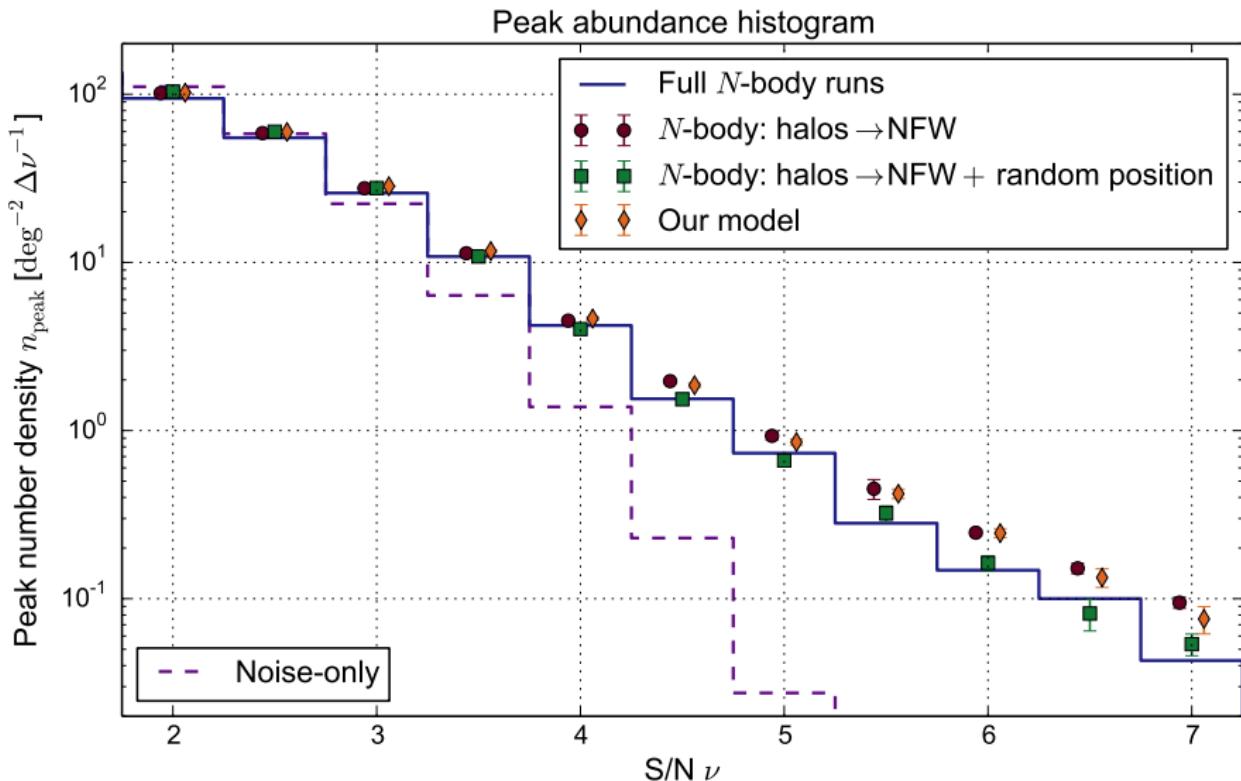
## Validation

We compare the following four cases:

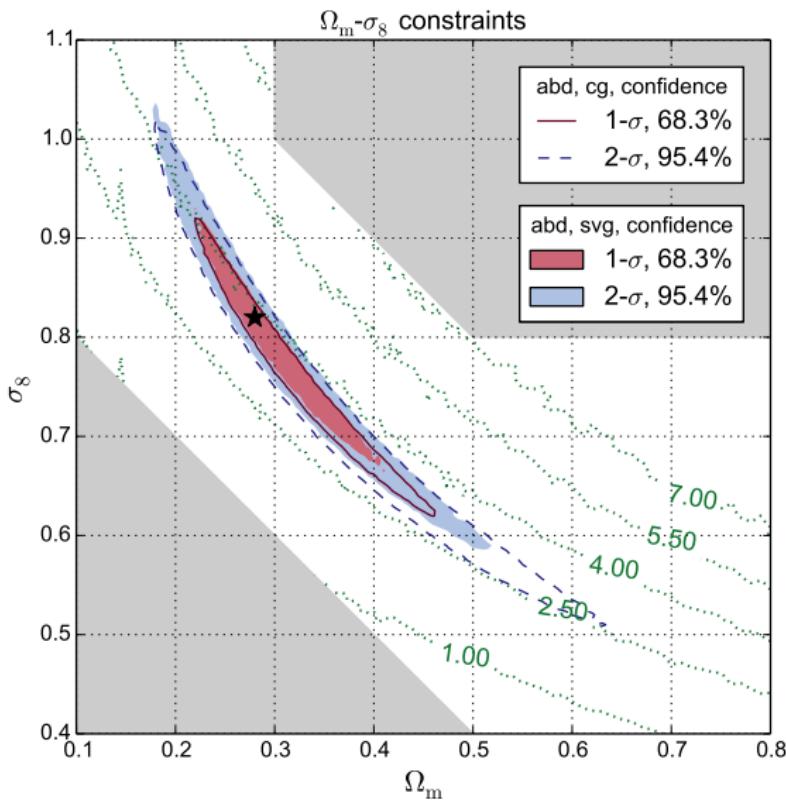
- Case 1 — Full  $N$ -body runs
- Case 2 — Replace  $N$ -body halos with NFW profiles of the same mass
- Case 3 — Profile replacement and position randomization
- Case 4 — Our model

to test two hypotheses:

- Comparison 1 & 2 — Ignore unbound matters & halo asphericity
- Comparison 2 & 3 — Absence of the spatial correlation
- Comparison 3 & 4 — Mass function



# Results



Cosmology-dependent covariance

$$L = \text{cst} + \Delta \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{C}^{-1} \Delta \mathbf{x}$$

cg = constant covariance

svg = varying covariance

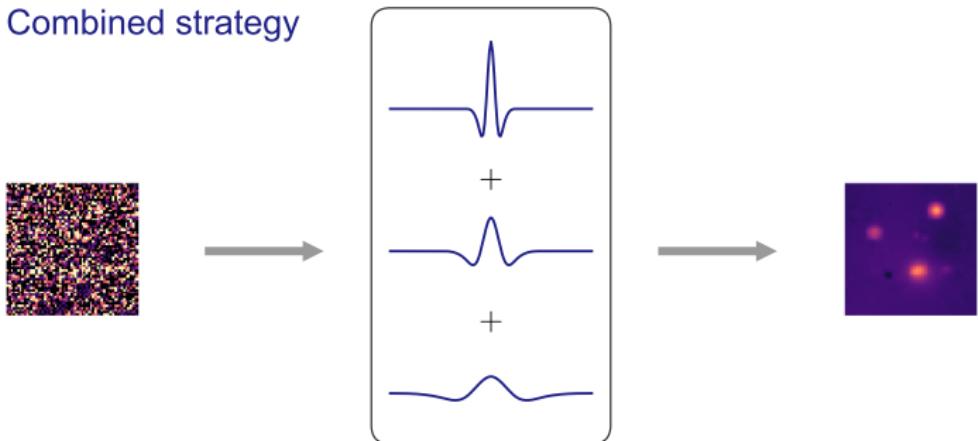
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	cg	svg
FoM	46	57

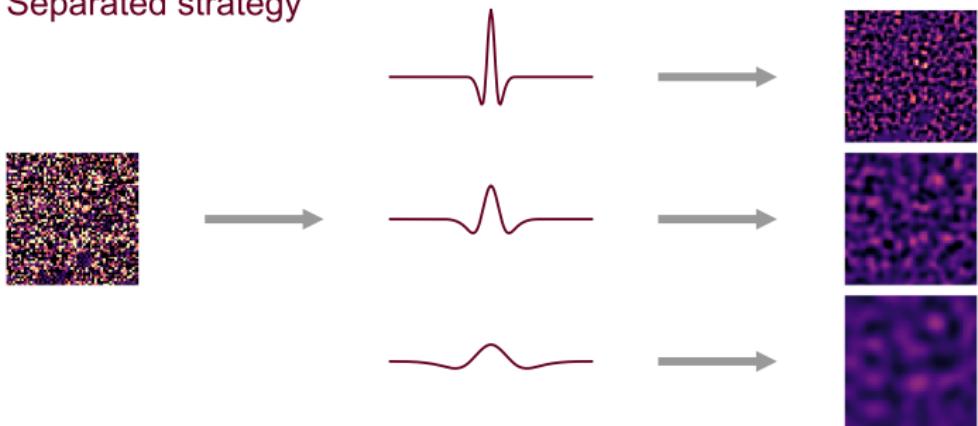
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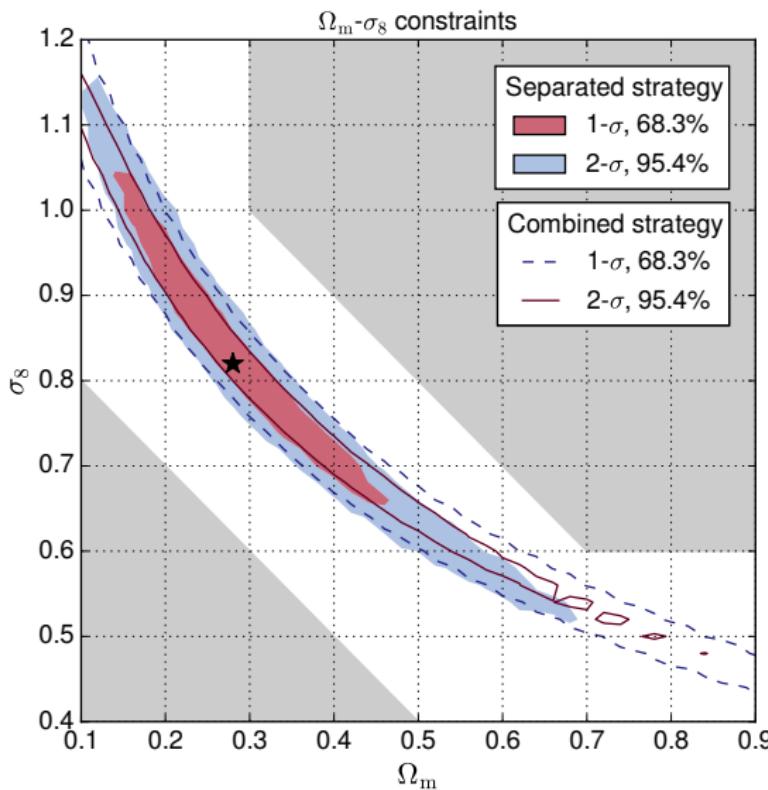
Lin & Kilbinger (2015b)

### Combined strategy



### Separated strategy





### Combined vs separated

The combined map creates degeneracy which elongates the contours.

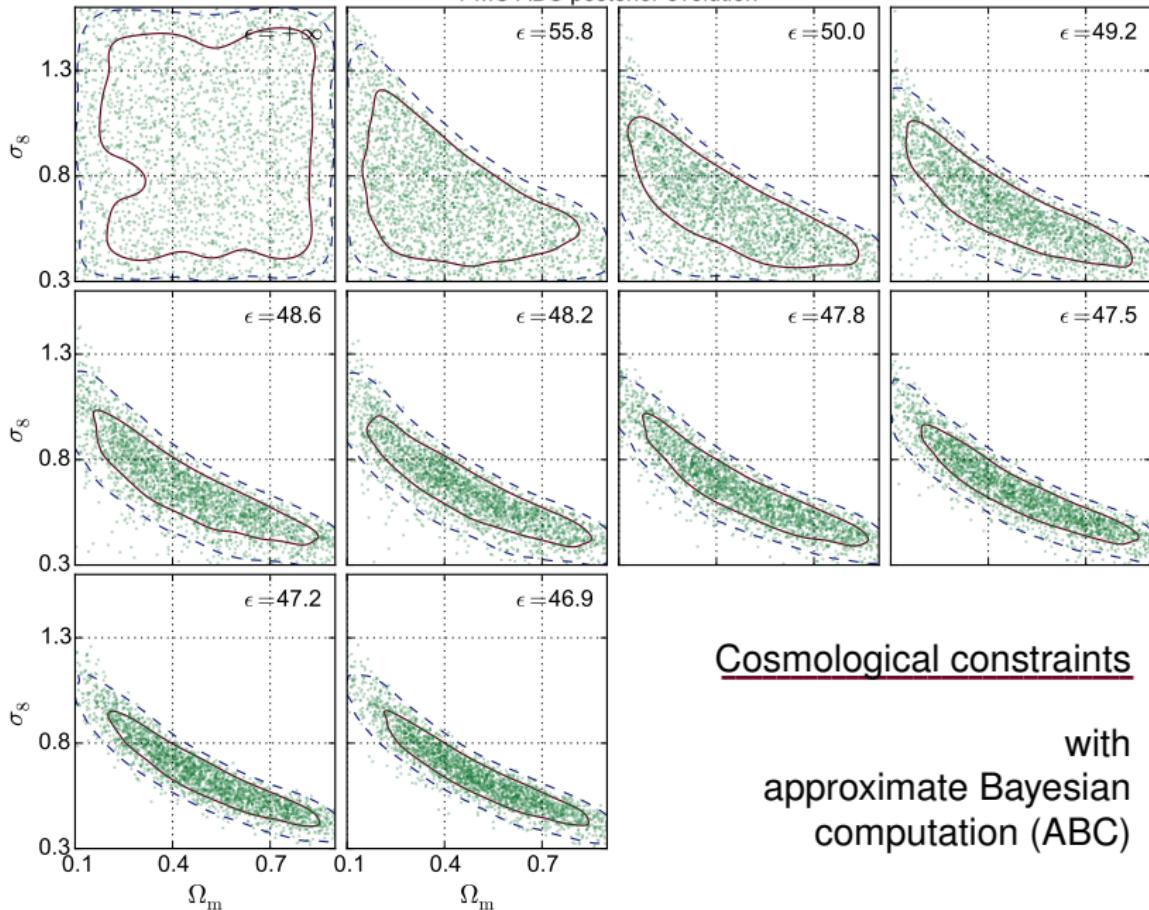
Lin et al. (2016)

## Data from three surveys

Survey	Field size [deg <sup>2</sup> ]	Number of galaxies	Effective density [deg <sup>-2</sup> ]
CFHTLenS	126	6.1 M	10.74
KiDS DR1/2	75	2.4 M	5.33
DES SV	138	3.3 M	6.65

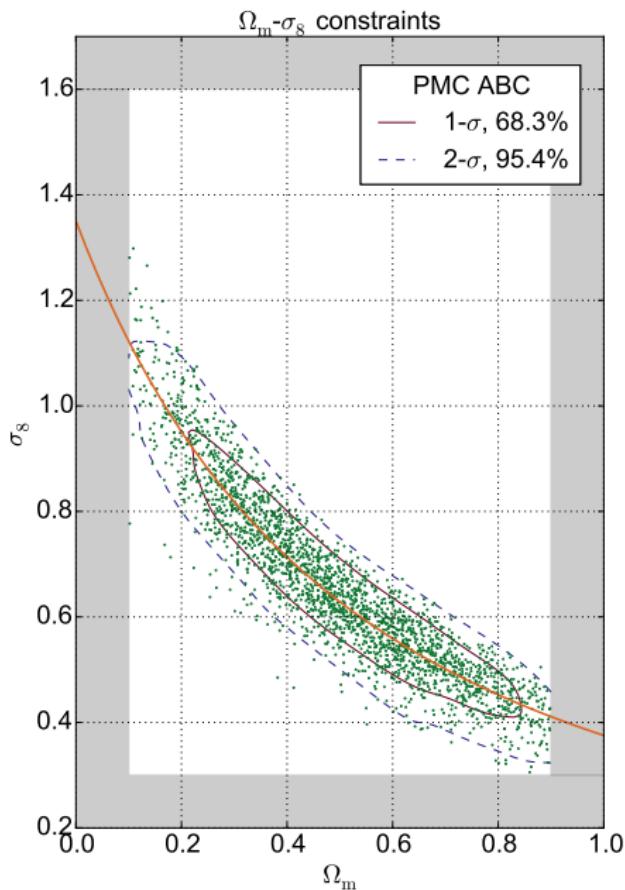


### PMC ABC posterior evolution



Cosmological constraints

with  
approximate Bayesian  
computation (ABC)



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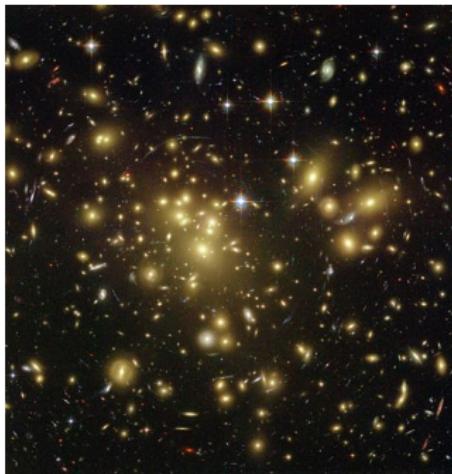
Width:  $\Delta \Sigma_8 = 0.13$   
Area: FoM = 5.2

Lin (2016)

# Perspectives

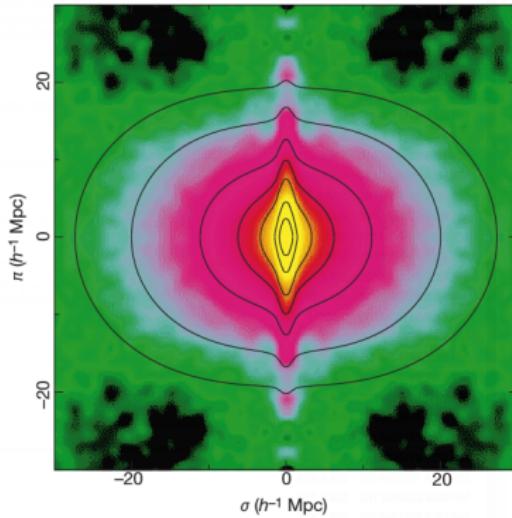
## Improvements

Account for  
halo clustering



(Source: HST)

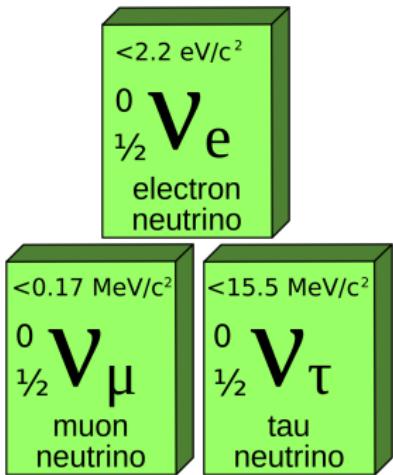
Extend to  
redshift space distortions



Peacock et al. (2001)

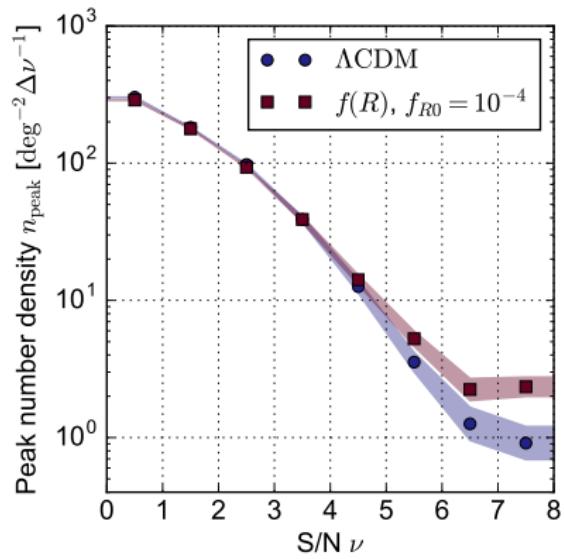
## More physics

### Massive neutrinos



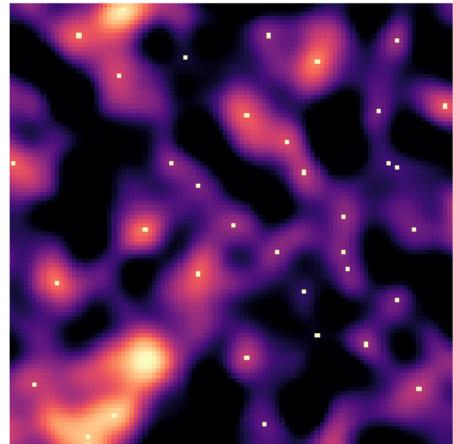
(Source: MissMJ@Wikimedia/CC BY 3.0)

### Modified gravity



(Preliminary)

- Peaks provide non-Gaussian information
- A stochastic model to predict WL peak counts
- Fast, flexible, full PDF information
- A public code: Camelus@GitHub



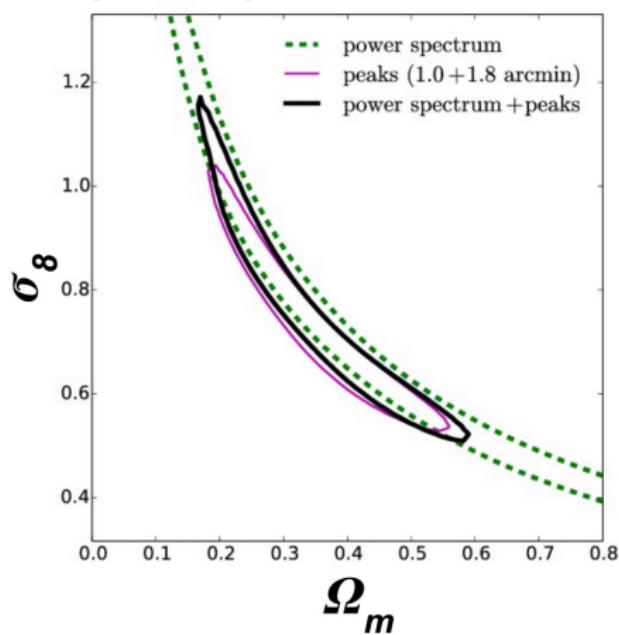
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Sandrine Pires (CEA Saclay)

## References:

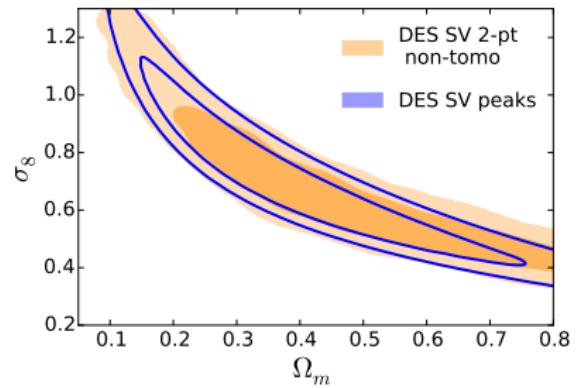
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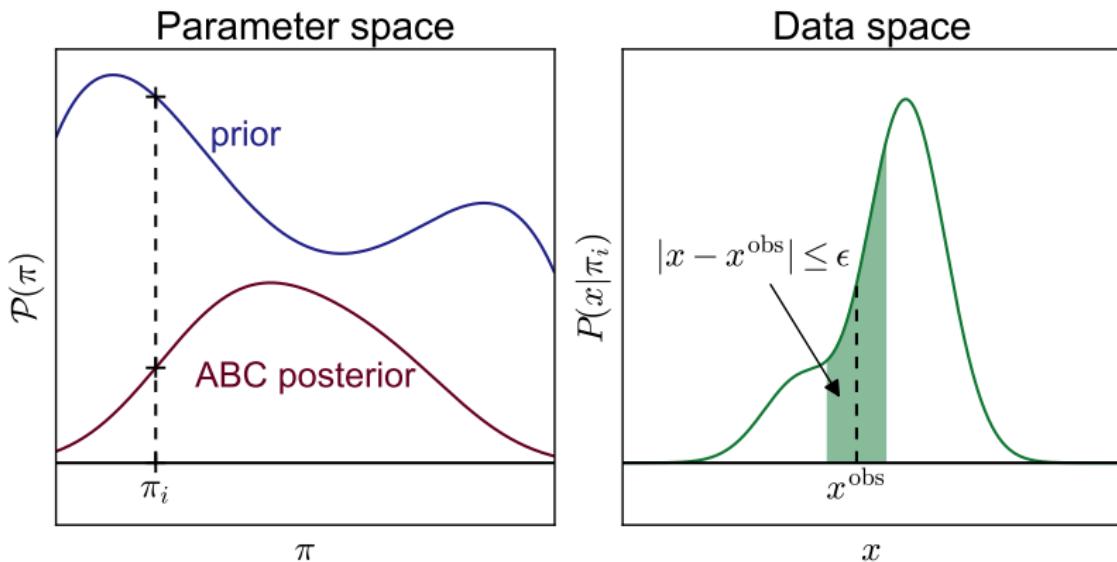
Liu J et al. (2015)

## Peaks vs two-point statistics



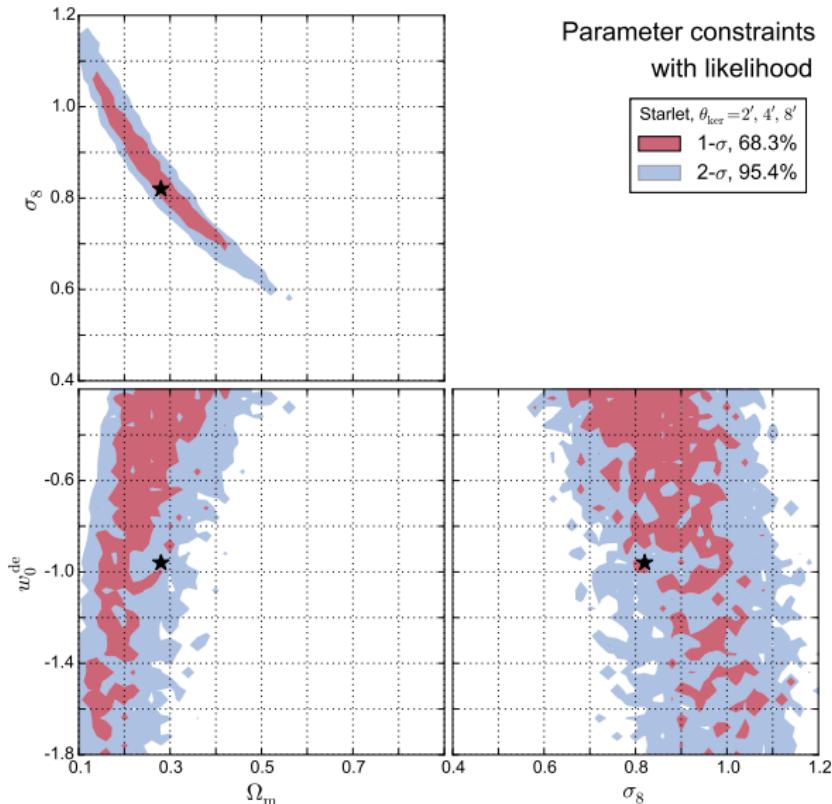
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# Approximate Bayesian computation



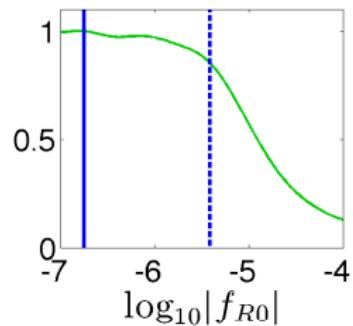
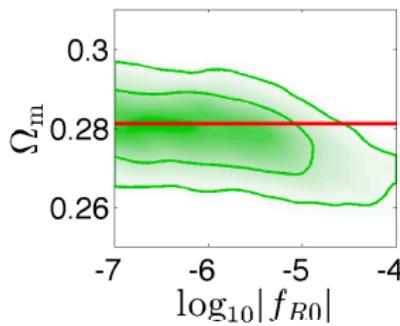
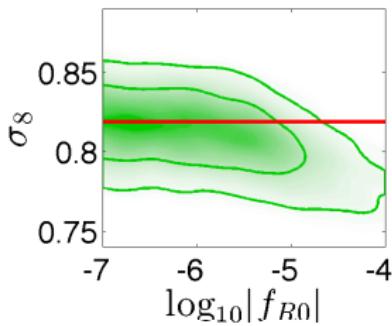
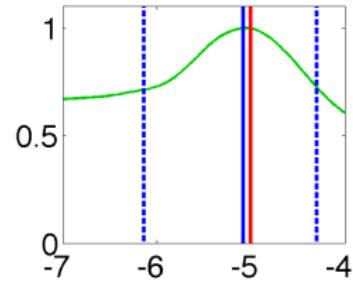
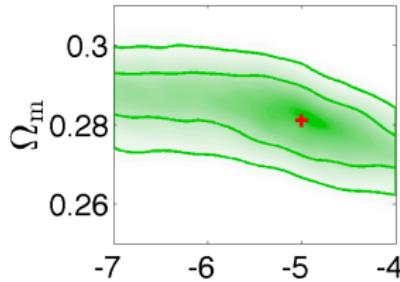
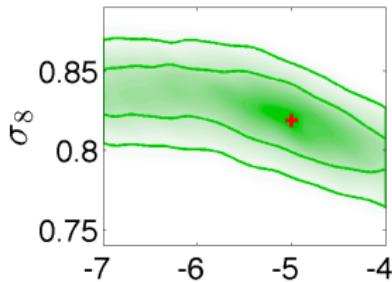
$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Distribution of accepted } \pi &= \text{prior} \times \text{green area} \\
 &\approx \text{prior} \times 2\epsilon \times \text{likelihood} \\
 &\propto \text{posterior}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Degeneracy with $w_0^{\text{de}}$

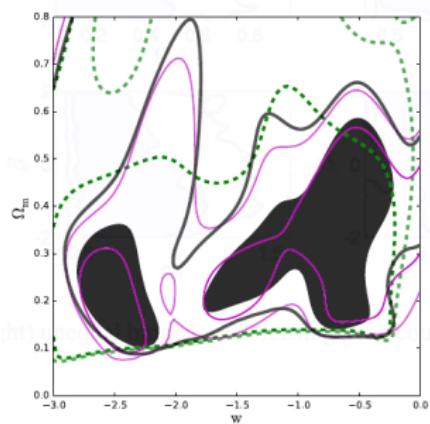
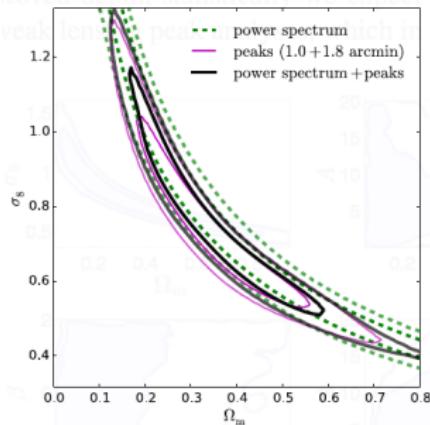
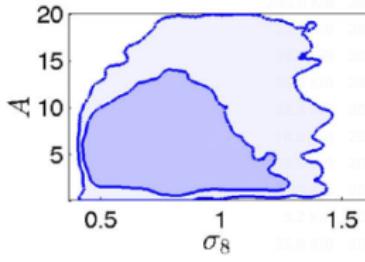
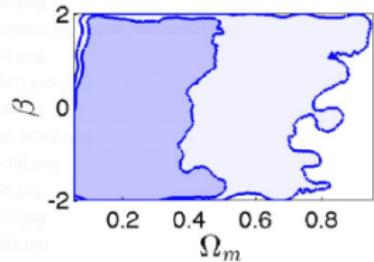
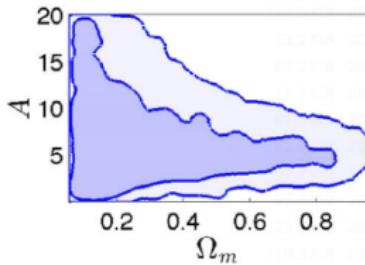
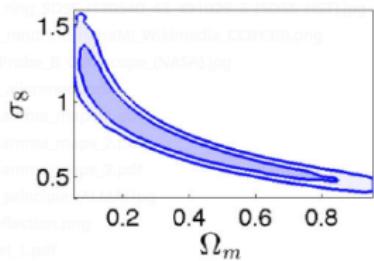


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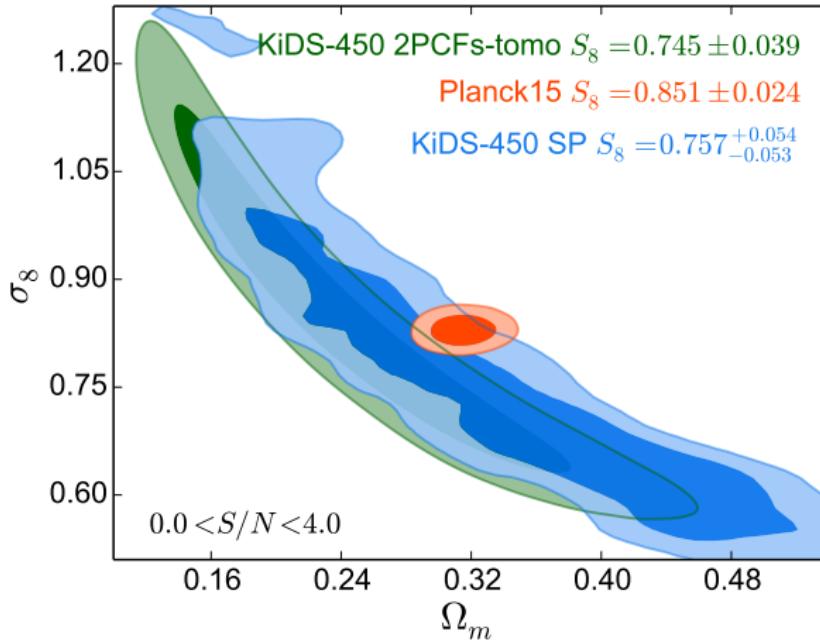
 $f_{R0}$  constraints

## Other studies



Liu J et al. (2015)

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Martinet et al. (2018)