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Neural simulation-based supernova Ia cosmology

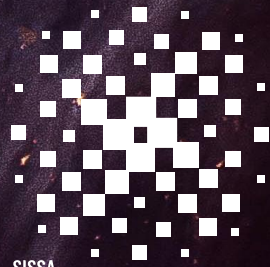
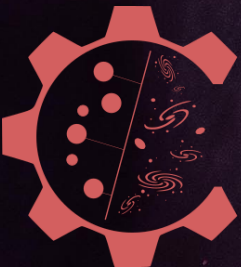
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SIDE-real:
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SimSIMS:
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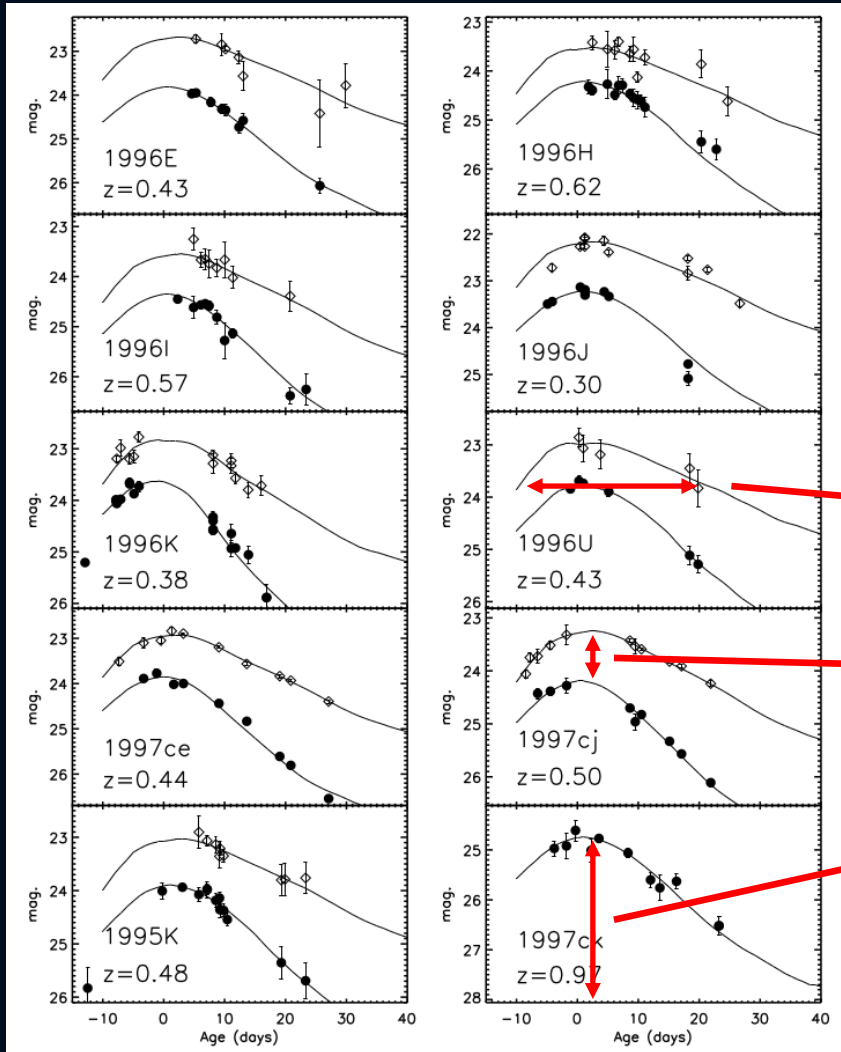


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42 SNe Ia = \$1 million

(a Nobel prize)



hand-crafted summaries

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“stretch”

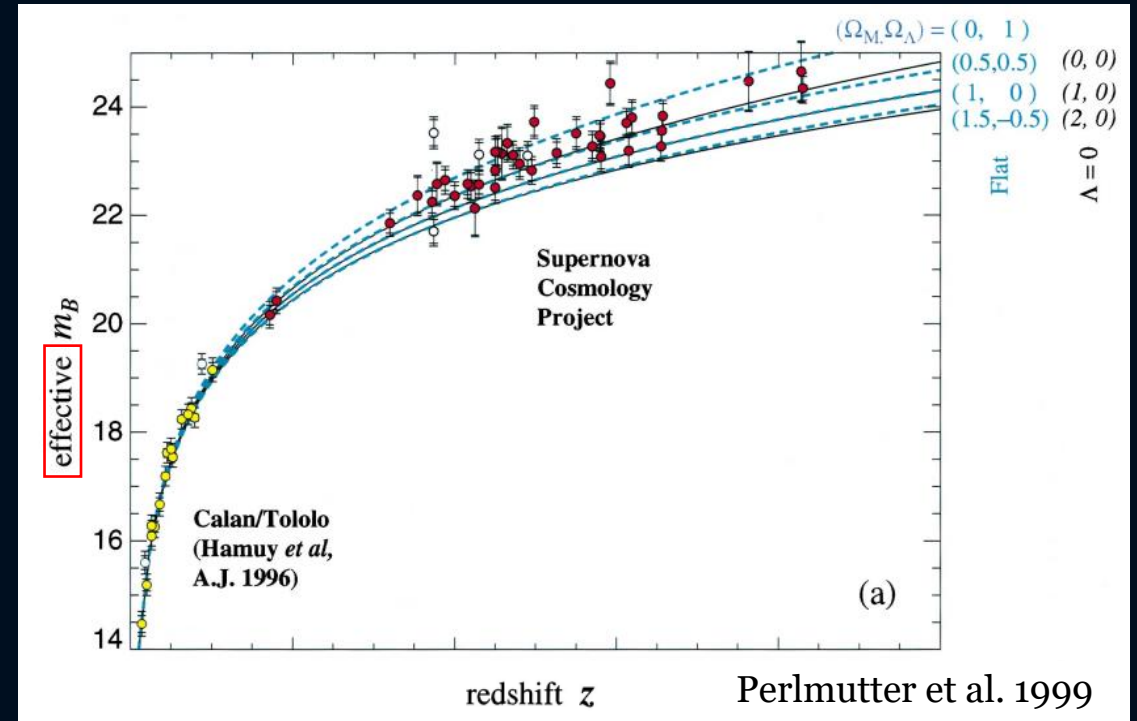
$c^s \pm \sigma_{c^s}$
“colour”

$m^s \pm \sigma_m^s$
brightness

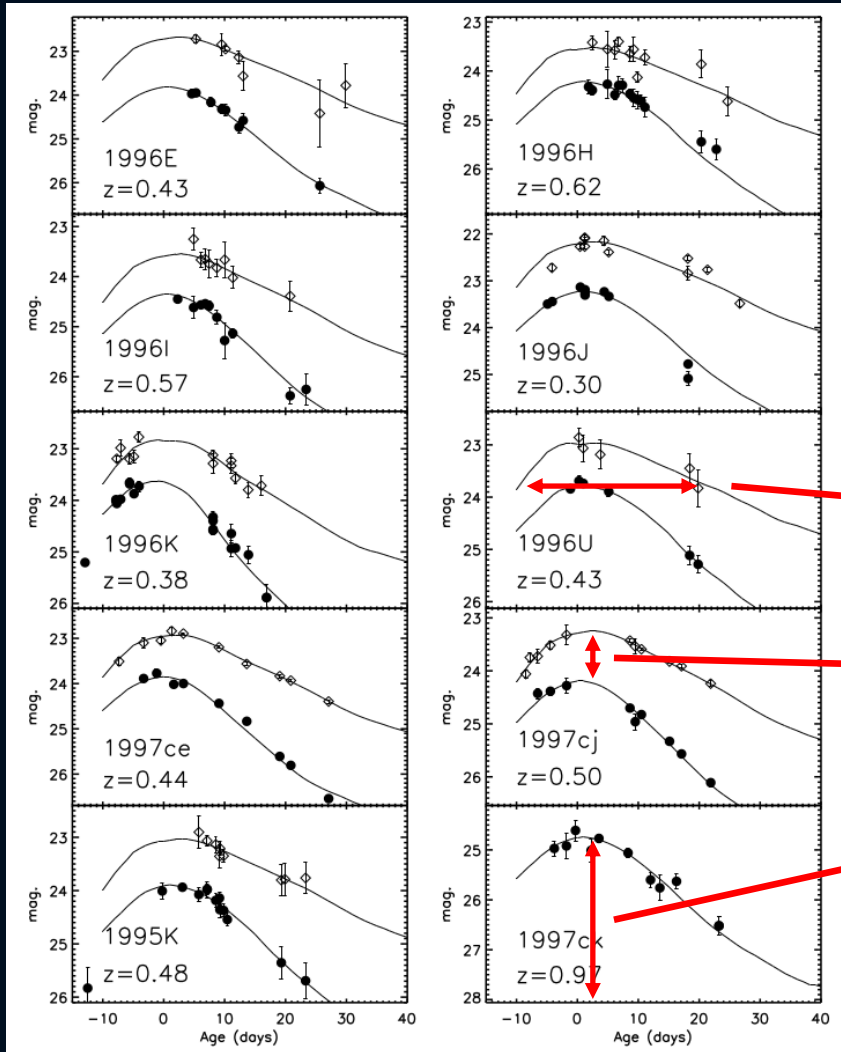
$$m^s + \alpha x_1^s - \beta c^s = M + \mu(z^s, \mathcal{C}) + \text{“noise”}$$

$\mathcal{C} \pm \sigma_{\mathcal{C}}$
posterior

Riess et al. 1999

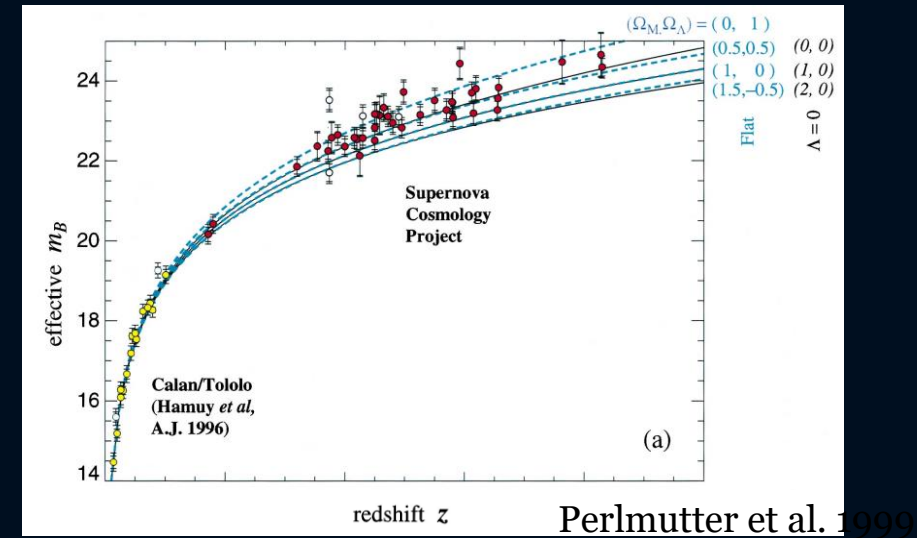


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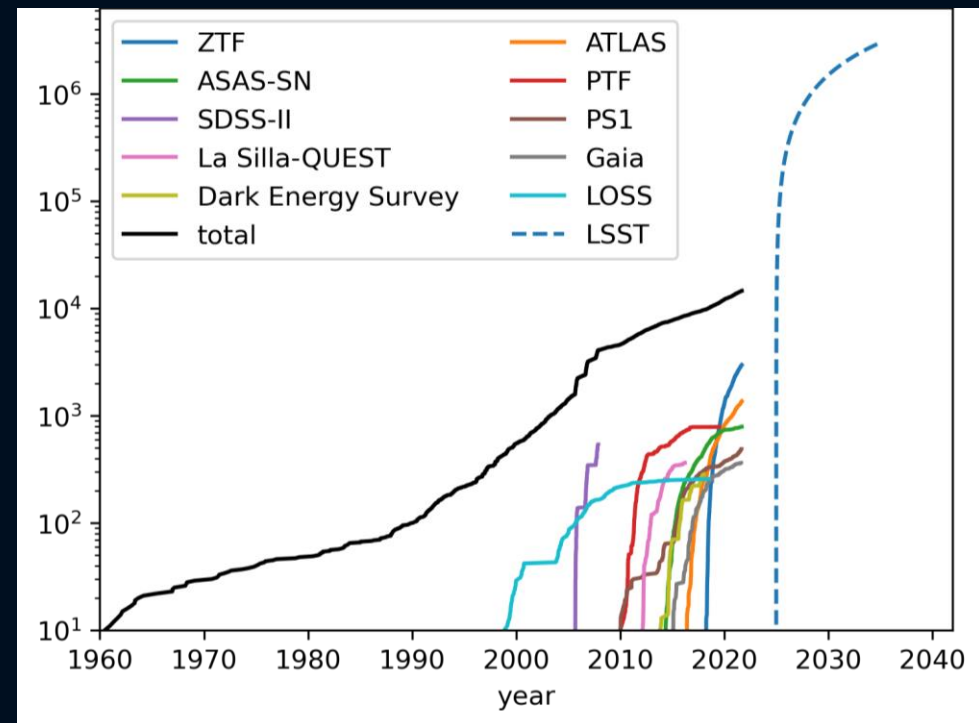
hand-crafted summary statistics:

- extract limited information
- unknown / complicated population distributions
- can lack full physical interpretation (e.g. intrinsic vs. extrinsic colour)

LSST: $\sim 10^6$ SNe \propto = \$1.9 billion

- Noisy light curves with irregular cadence
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cumulative SNe \propto discovered



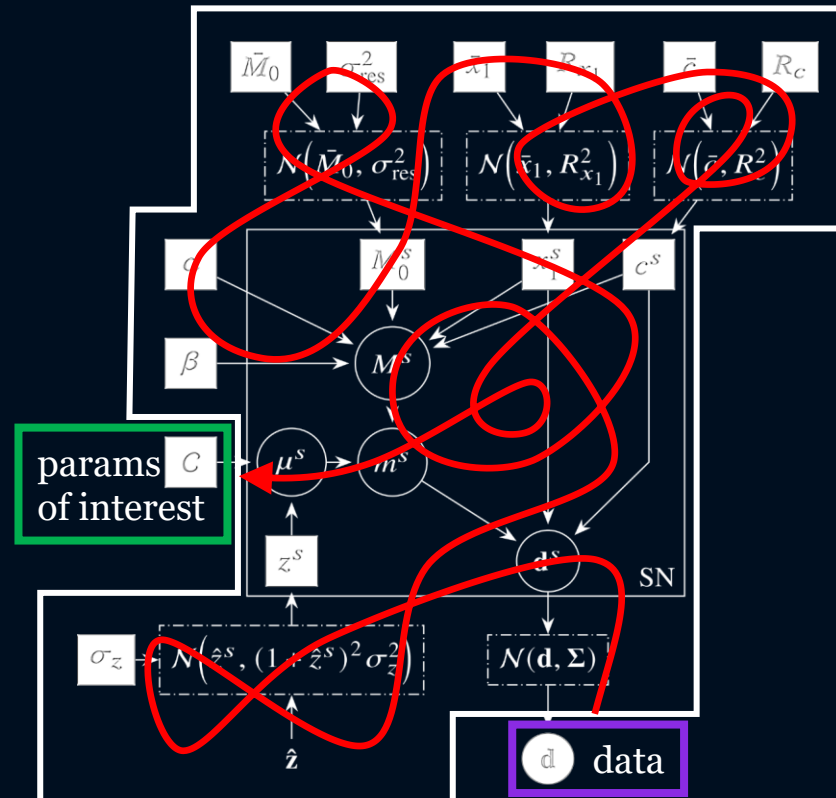
Neural simulation-based inference

- A new paradigm for marginal inference
 - model = simulator (arbitrarily* complex)
- Leverages neural networks for inference
 - neural **likelihood** estimation
 - neural **posterior** estimation
 - neural **ratio** estimation
 - neural **model comparison**
 - data = NN input (arbitrarily* big and complex)

$$p(\theta|d) = \frac{p(d|\theta)}{p(d|M)} p(\theta)$$

Simulation-based inference

- The old paradigm: **joint likelihood-based inference**



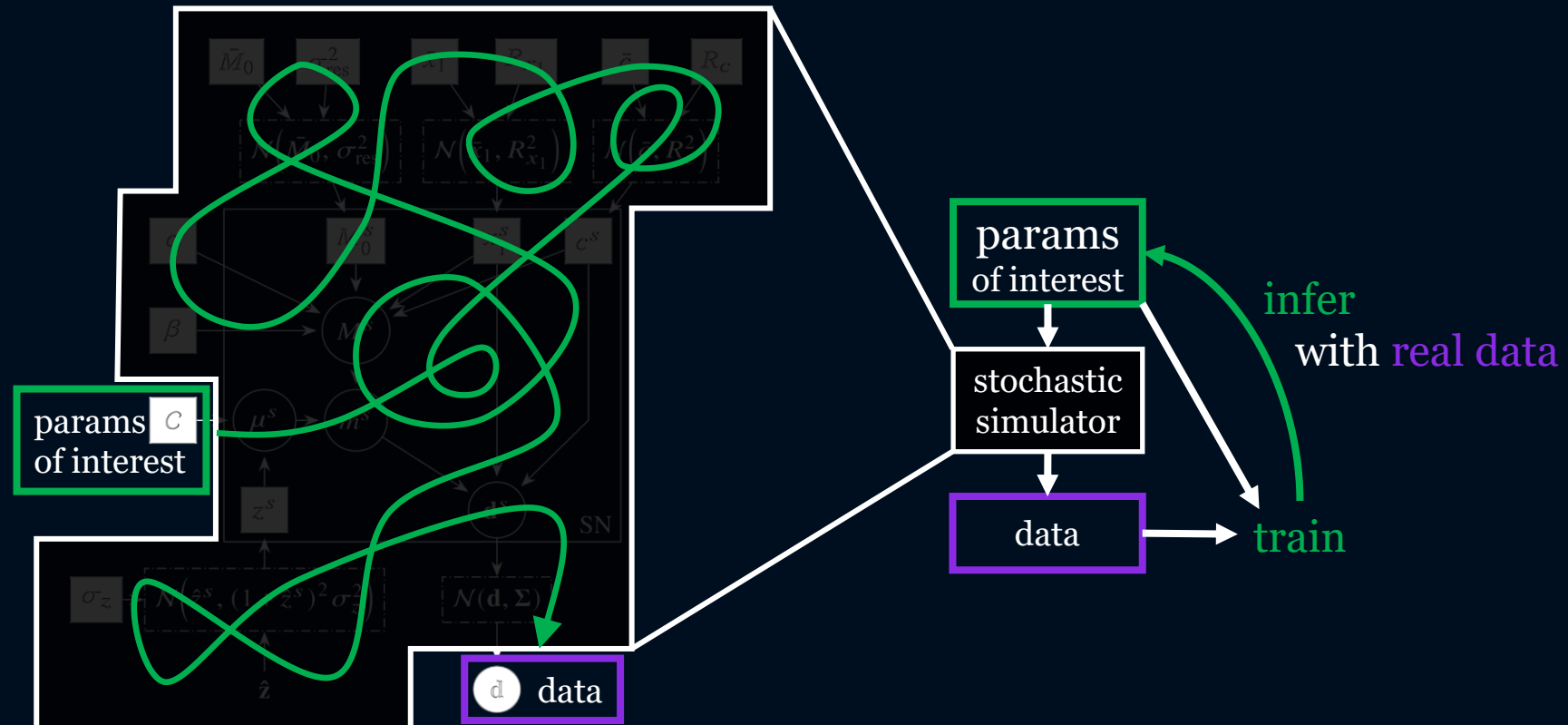
$$p(\theta|d) \propto \int p(d|\theta, v) p(\theta, v) dv$$

Requires

- calculating all probabilities
 - limited to simple analytic descriptions
- inferring all parameters jointly
 - unfavourable scaling, e.g. $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$

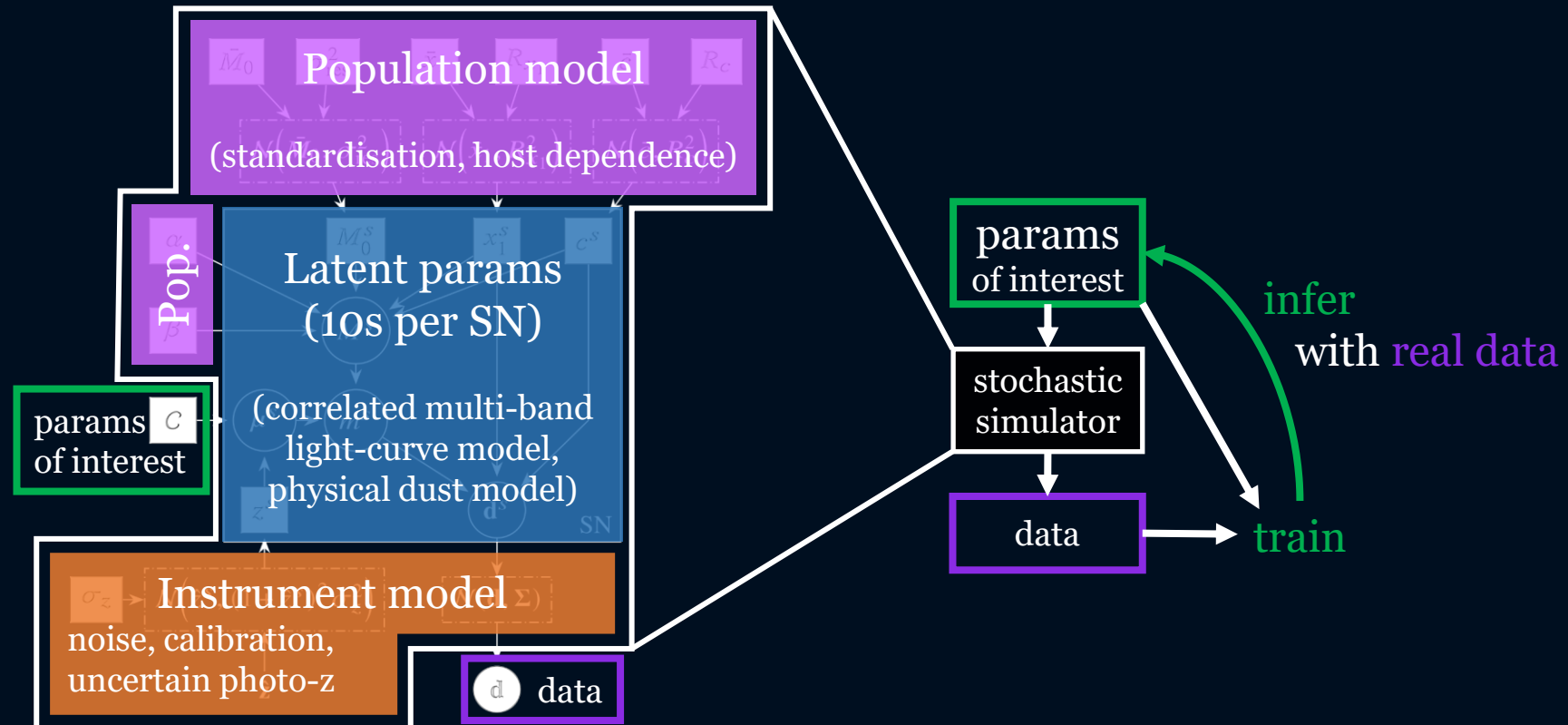
Simulation-based inference

- Model = simulator
 - can be arbitrarily **complex**



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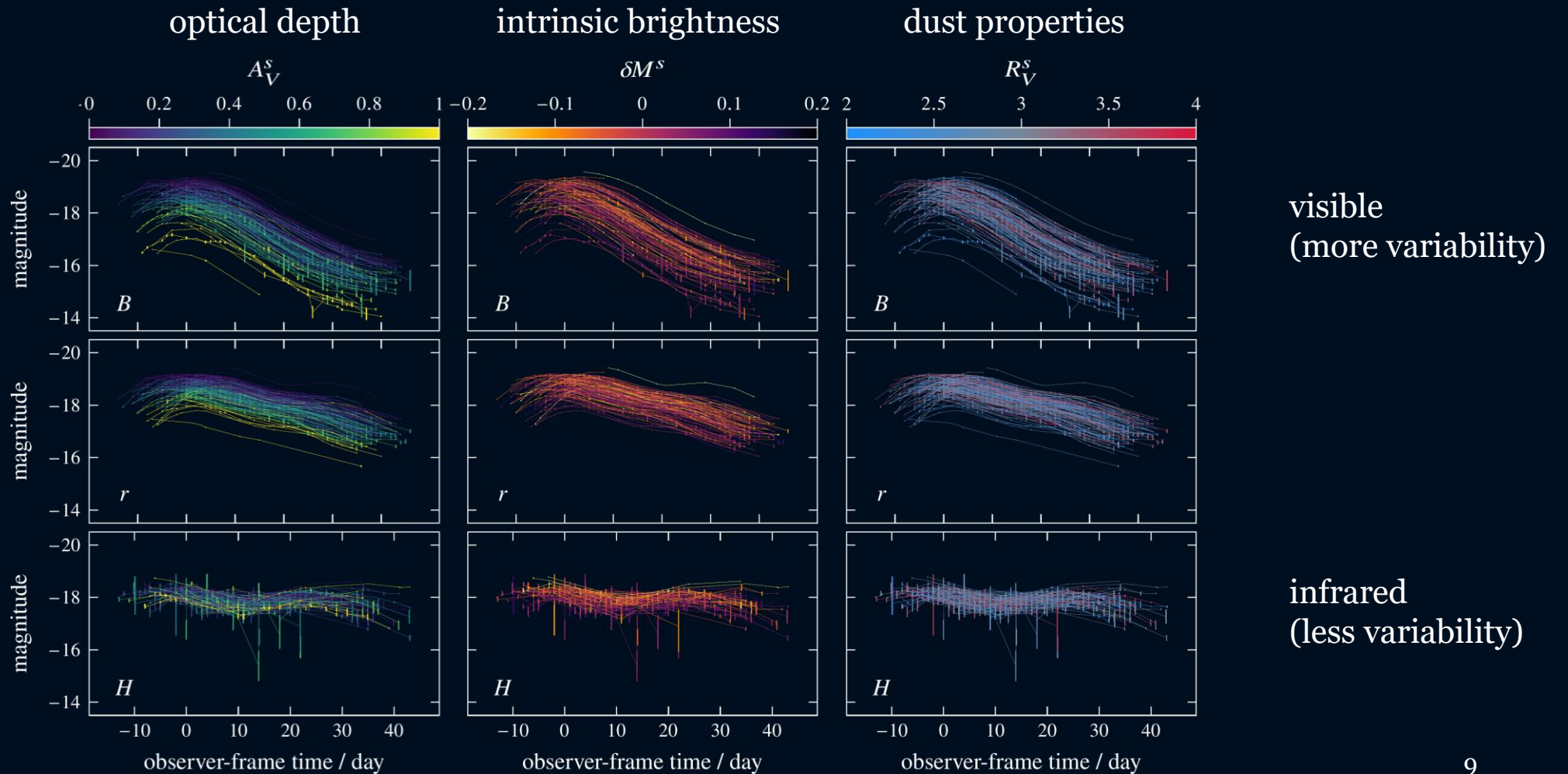
- Model = simulator
 - often more **interpretable** / **grounded** / “**physical**”



[SICRET](#) (2023):
cosmology with
SALT parameters.

[SIDE-real](#) (2024):
dust inference with
the BayeSN light
curve model

SLiCsim: realistic uncertain light curves

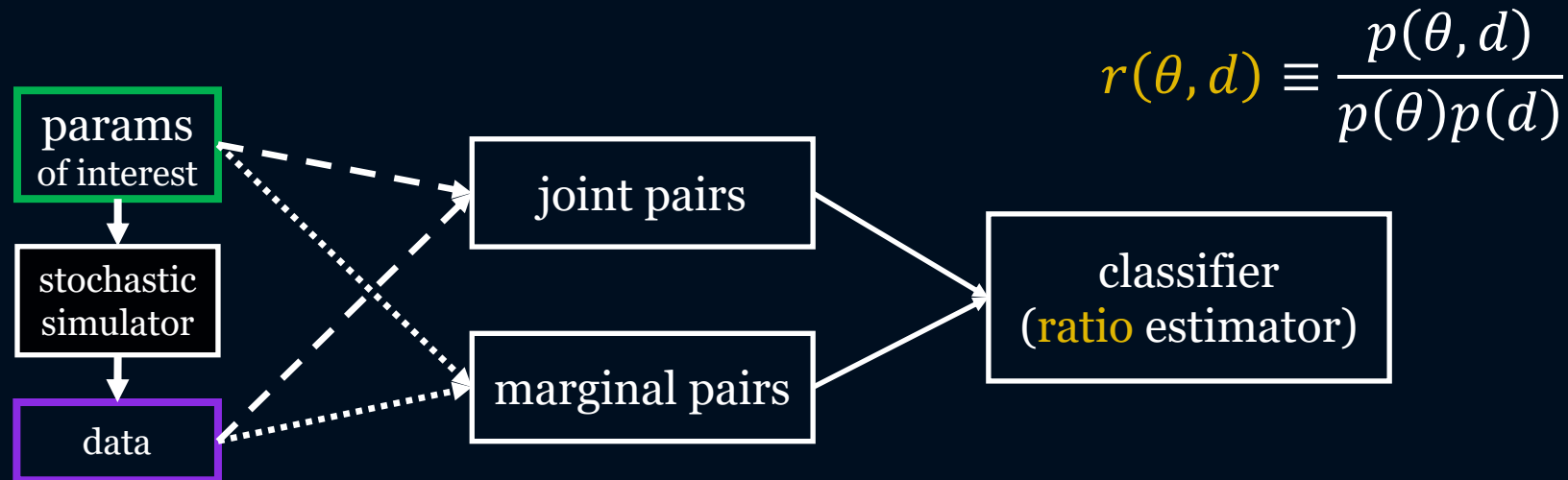


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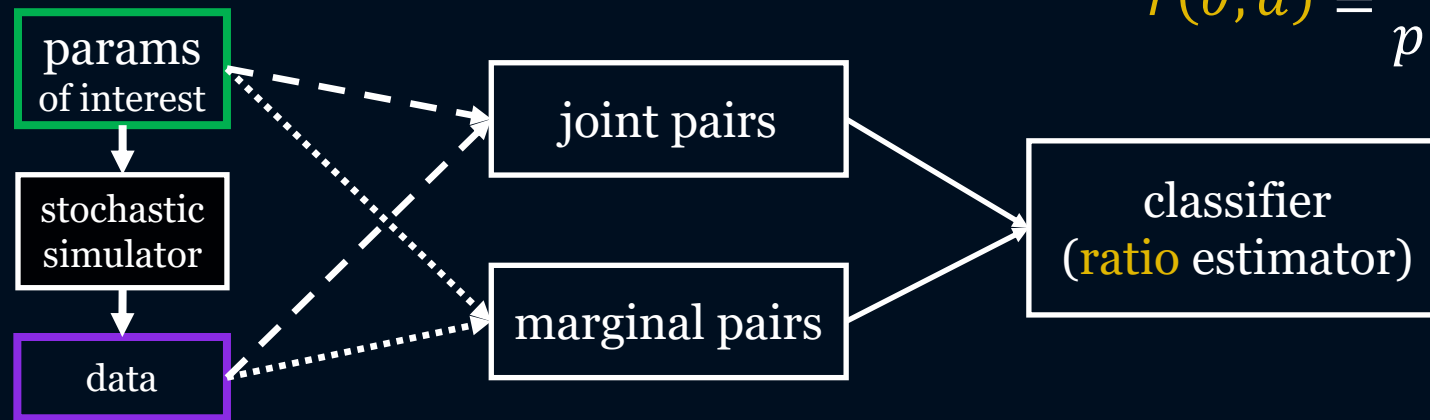
- Neural **ratio** estimation

$$-\text{BCELoss} = \mathbb{E}_{p(d|\theta)p(\theta)} \left[\ln \frac{\hat{r}_{\text{NN}}}{1+\hat{r}_{\text{NN}}} \right] + \mathbb{E}_{p(d)p(\theta)} \left[\ln \frac{1}{1+\hat{r}_{\text{NN}}} \right]$$



Neural simulation-based inference

- Neural **ratio** estimation
 - simplicity of NN architecture (binary classifier)
 - flexibility with prior
 - allows **Bayesian and frequentist** inference

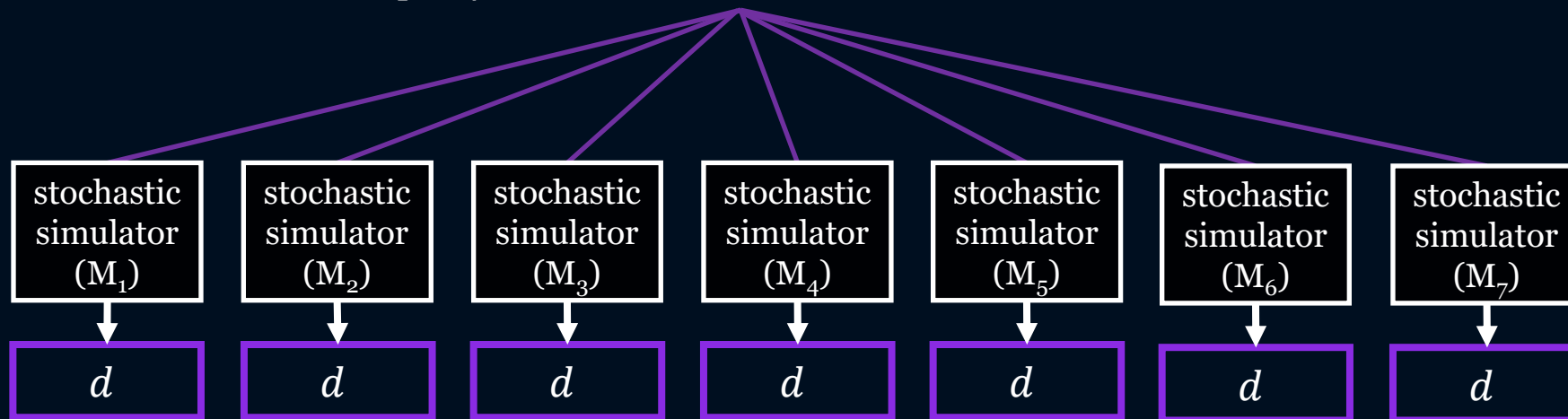


$$r(\theta, d) \equiv \frac{p(\theta, d)}{p(\theta)p(d)} = \frac{p(\theta|d)}{p(\theta)} = \frac{p(d|\theta)}{p(d)}$$

Beyond SB *inference*

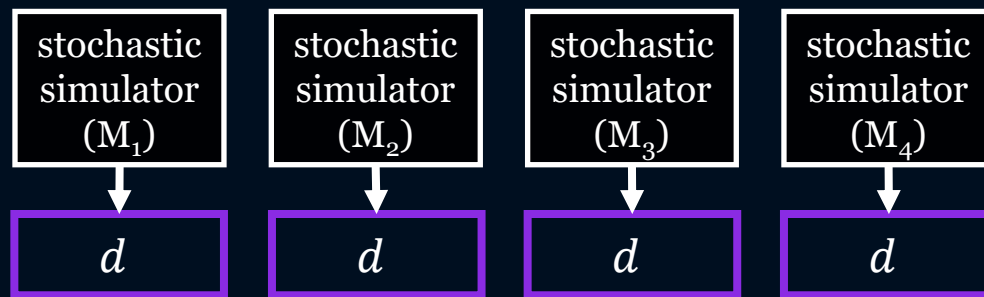
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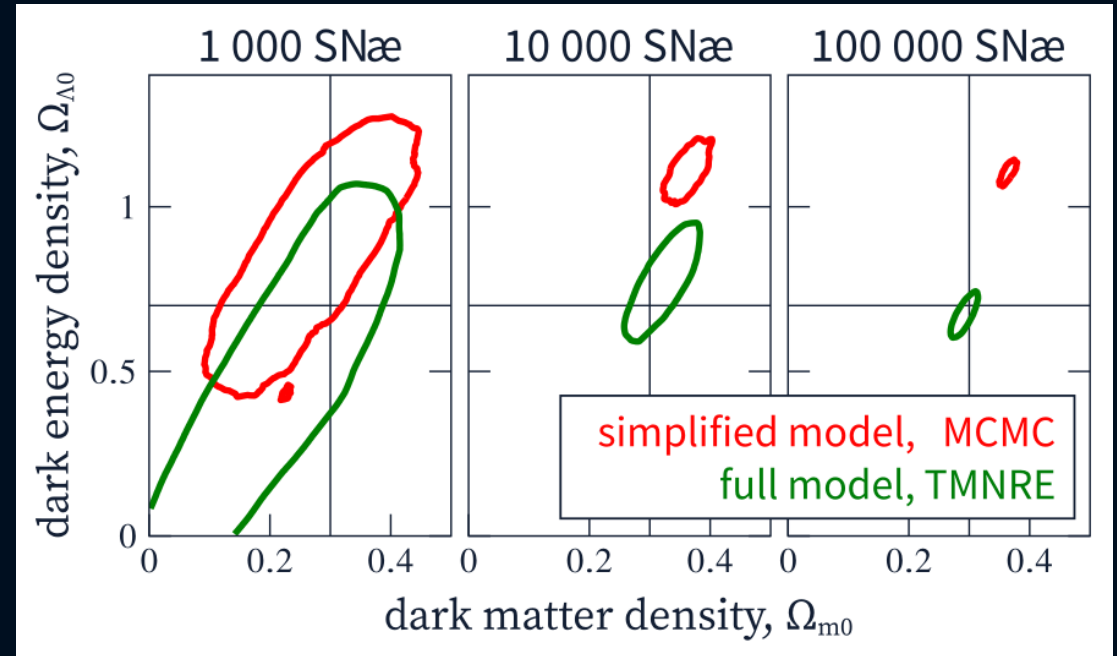
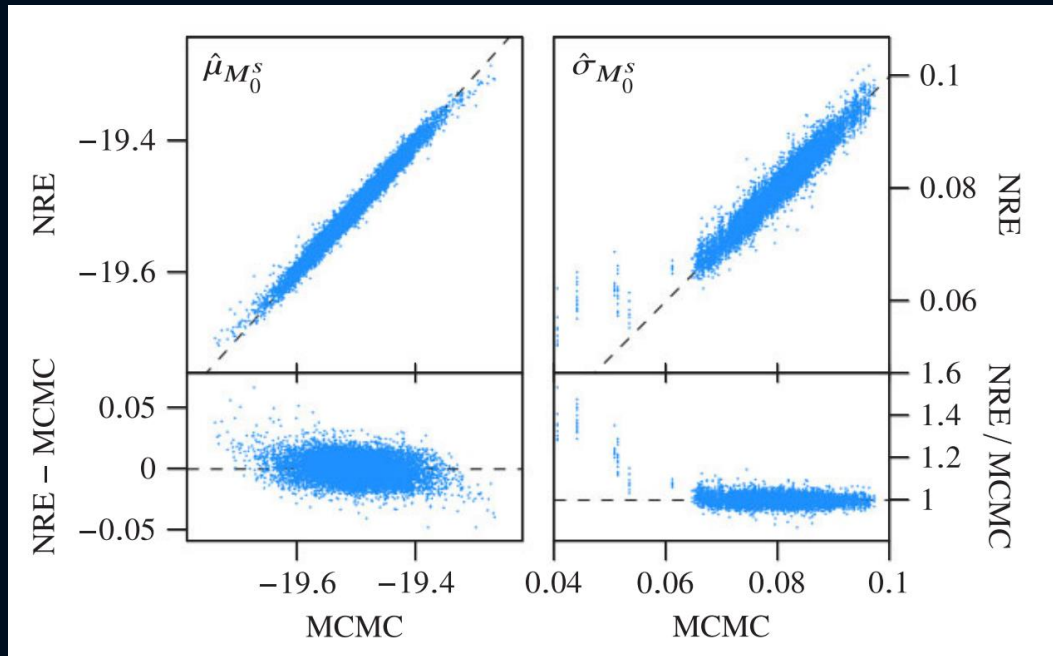
- Neural **ratio** estimation
- Neural **model comparison**
 - n-class classifier with trivial cross-entropy loss
 - gives direct access to Bayes factor / posterior over models



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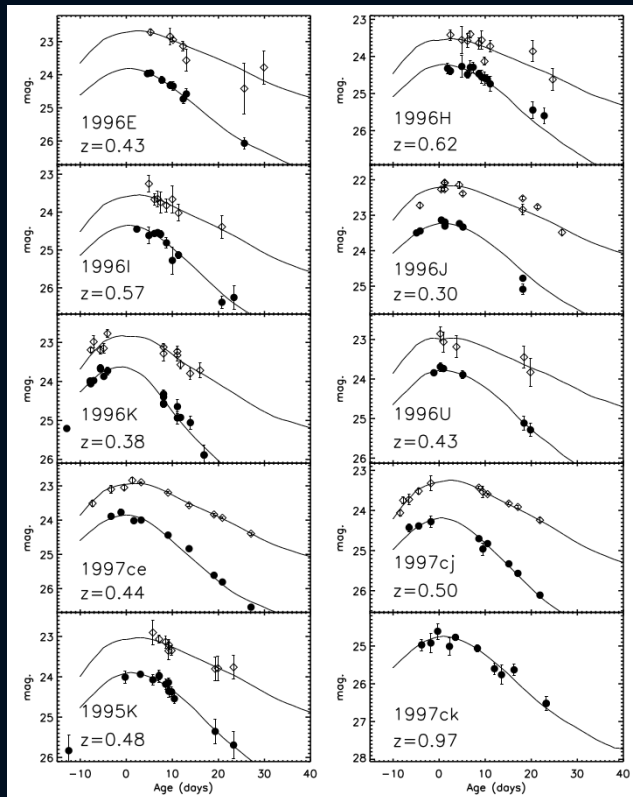
- scales to future-sized data sets
- avoids biases due to simplifications



from [SICRET](#) (2023)

Advantages of neural SBI

➤ data can be arbitrarily* complex



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object 1
summary

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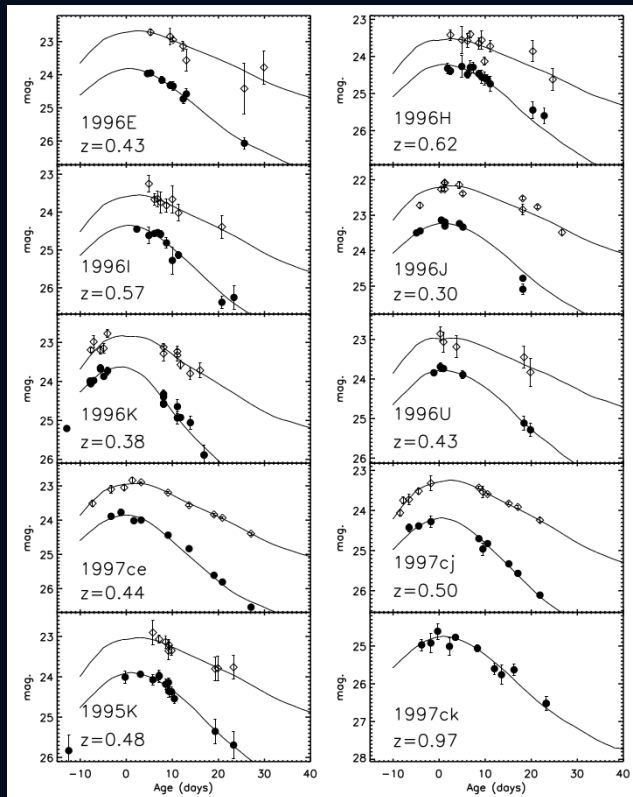
→ $\left. \begin{matrix} d^{42} \\ d^{43} \\ \dots \end{matrix} \right\}$

NN optimised
object 3
summary

NN optimised
full data set
summary
tailored for the
inference task

Advantages of neural SBI

➤ data can be arbitrarily* complex: wealth of NN architectures



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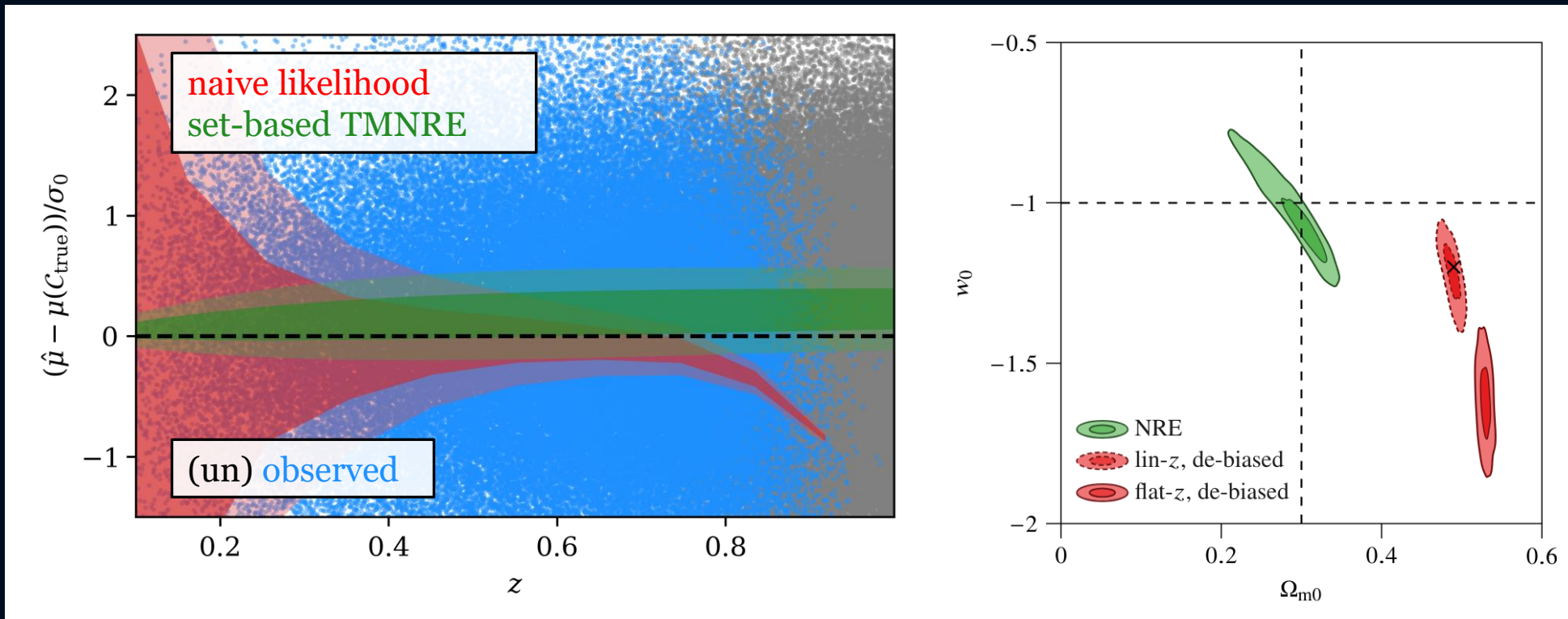
$$g_{NN} \left[\theta, \sum_i f_{NN} (d_i, \theta) \right]$$

Conditioned deep set
(Zaheer et al. 2017),

Transformers?

Unique advantages of neural SBI

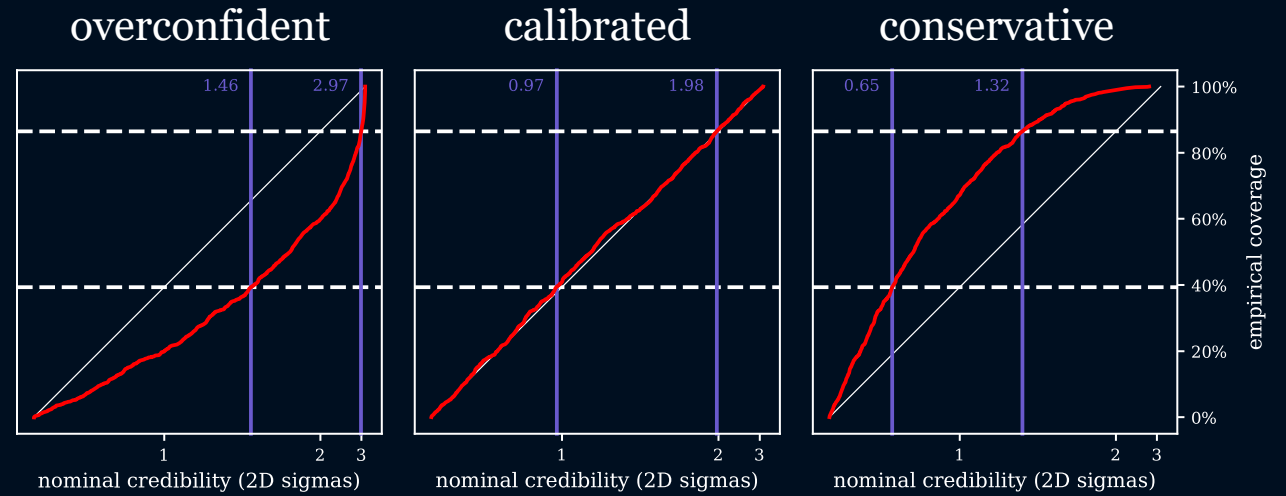
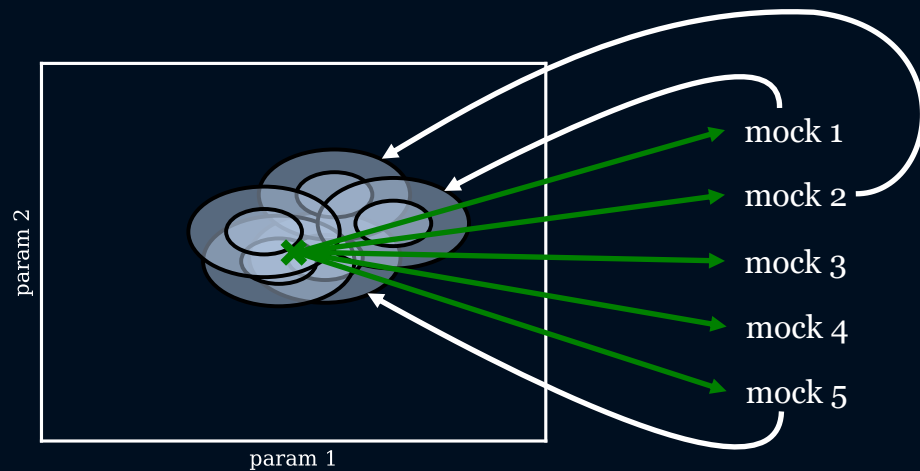
- intractable probabilities and varying-size data sets: 🙌 selection effects 🙌



from RESSET: Ratio Estimation for Supernova Selection Effects (very soonTM)

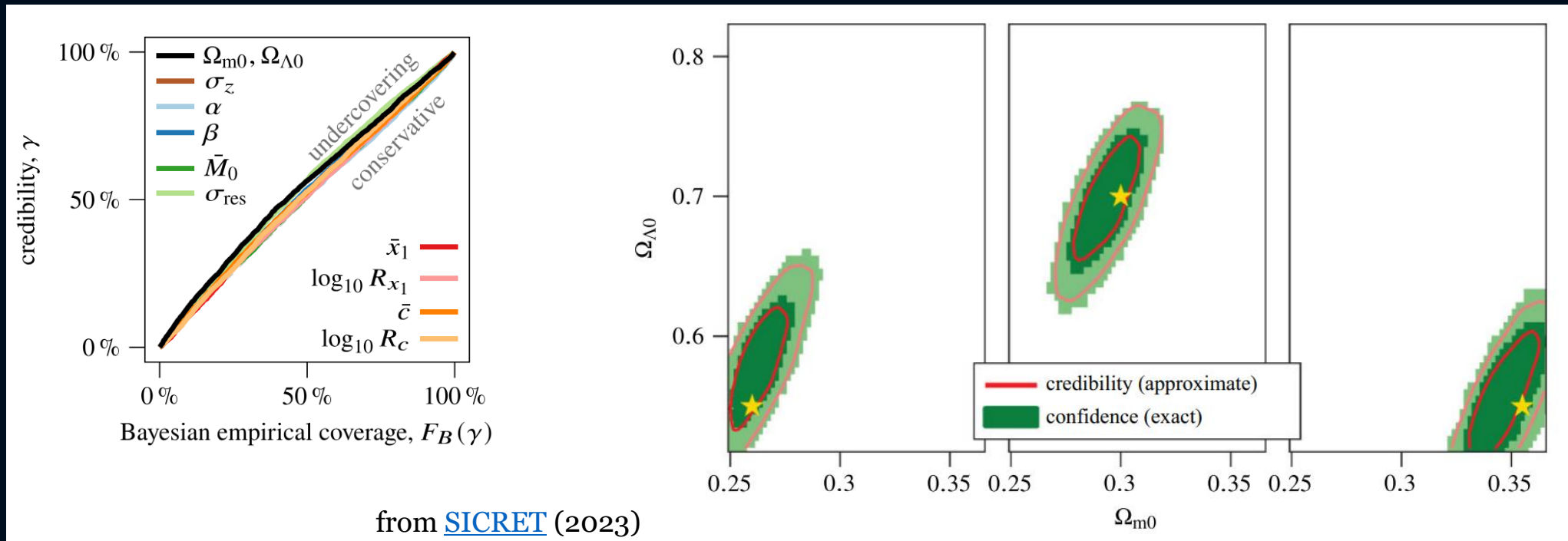
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 - can be quickly validated / calibrated on simulations

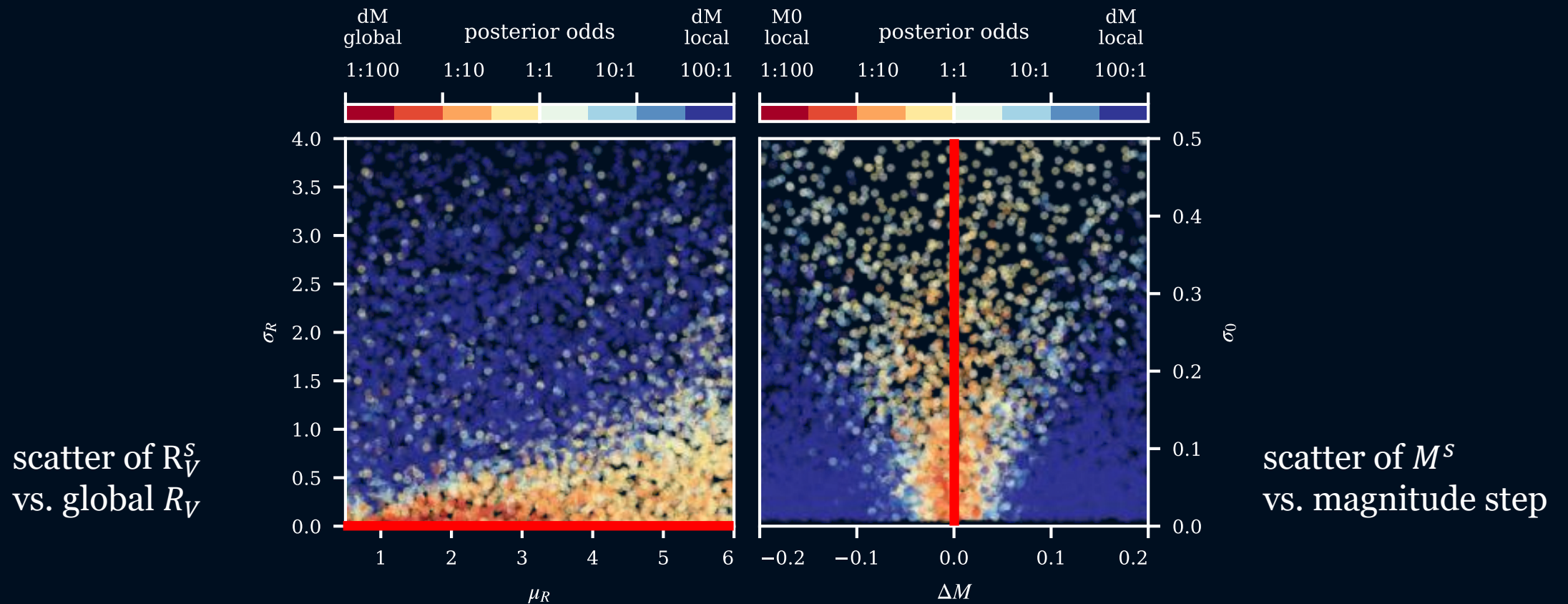


Unique advantages of neural SBI

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 - can be quickly validated / calibrated on simulations
 - exact (frequentist) confidence regions

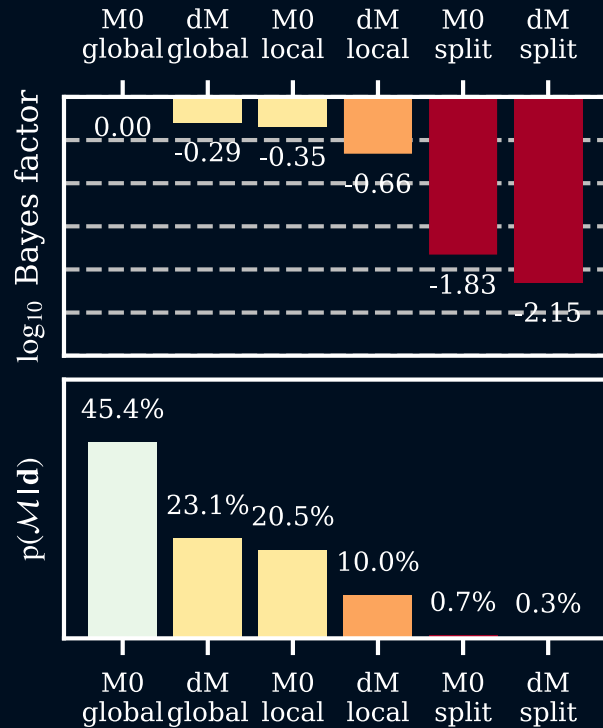


Amortised model comparison: Visualising Occam's razor

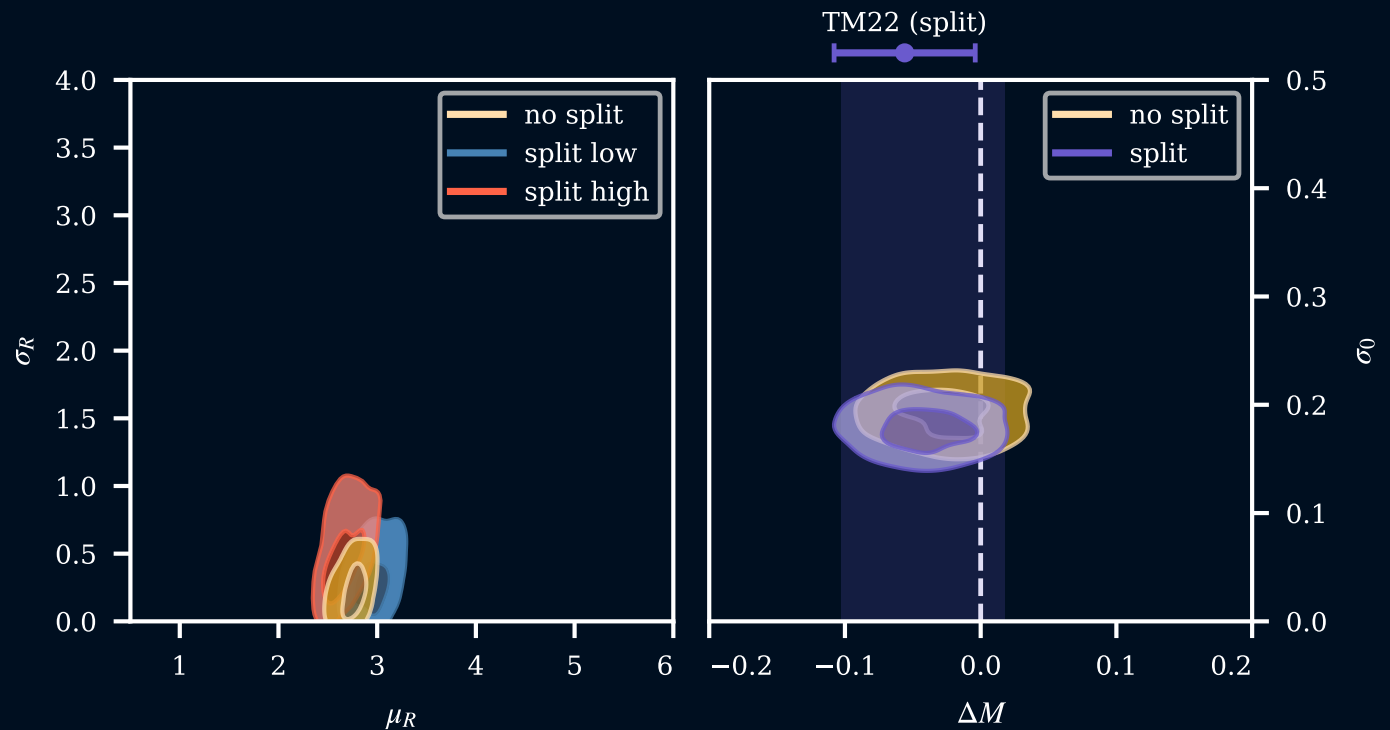


First results on real light curves!

neural model comparison

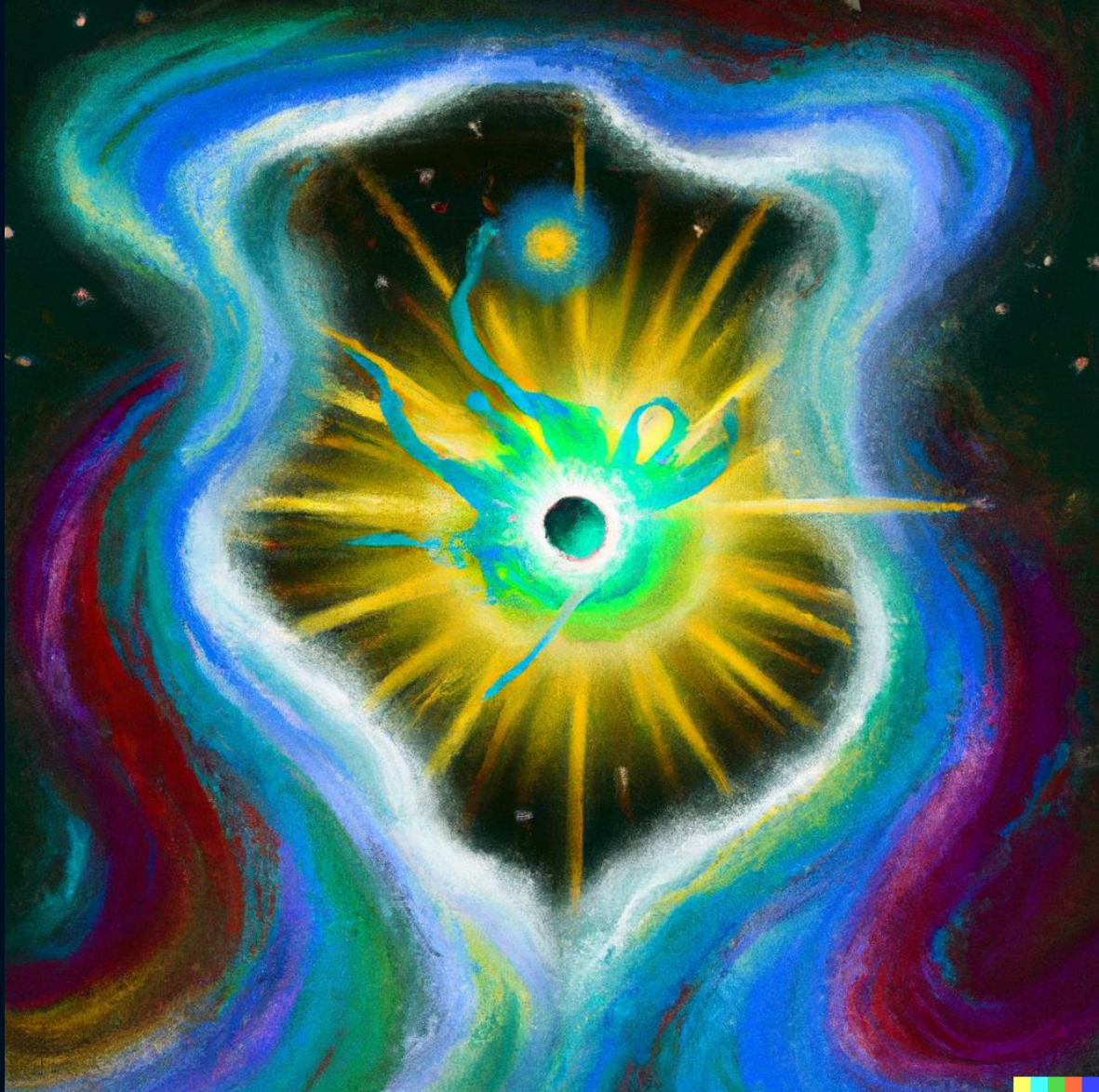


neural parameter inference (using NRE, reused simulations)



SNæ in the 2020s: Challenges and solutions

- Noisy light curves with irregular cadence -- deep sets
 - classic fits and GP take time... -- instant high-dim inference
- Modelling systematics -- model selection
 - effect of dust on standardisation -- flexible simulator
 - correlations with host and evolution -- stay tuned
- Photometric redshift -- stay tuned
 - complicated uncertainty, contamination -- SBI can handle it
- Selection biases -- set-based SBI (very soon)
 - current “bias correction” is ad-hoc -- fully principled SBI



Thank you for
your attention!

*“An illustration of a supernova
explosion with swirling cosmic gases
in the background, inspired by the
surrealist paintings of Salvador Dali”*

image by DALL·E, prompt by ChatGPT