# Towards Precision Photometric Supernova Cosmology with Machine Learning

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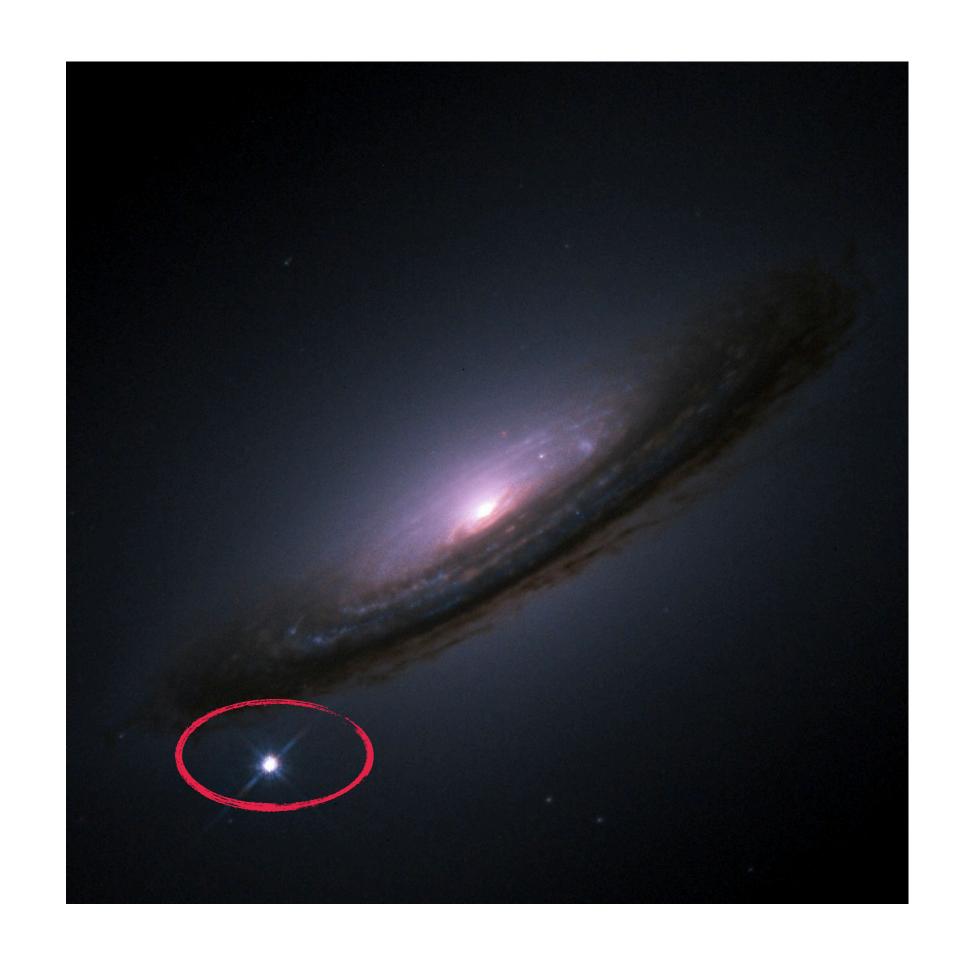


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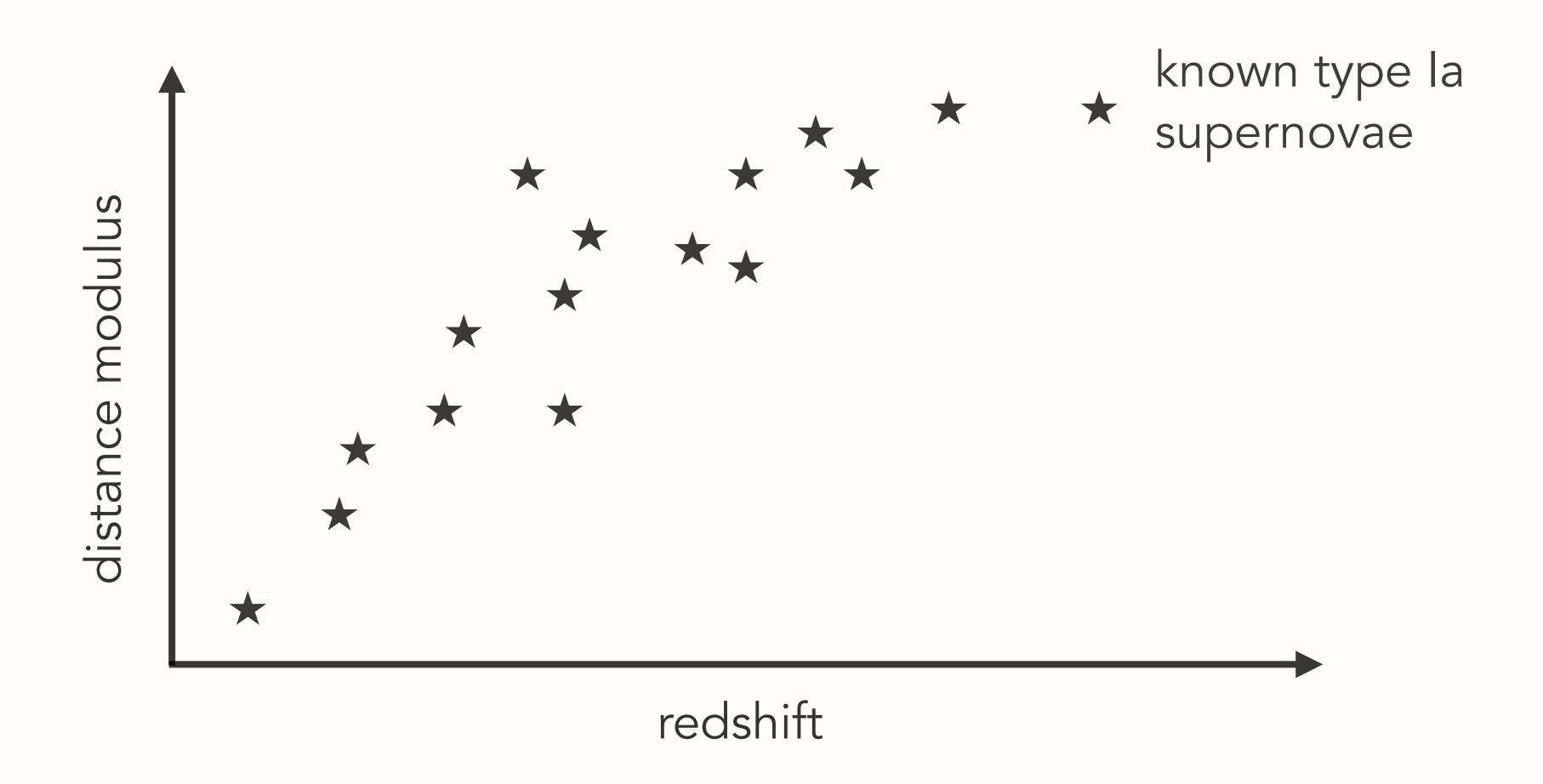
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- bonus: they're also as bright as a whole galaxy (so Rubin can detect out to z>1)

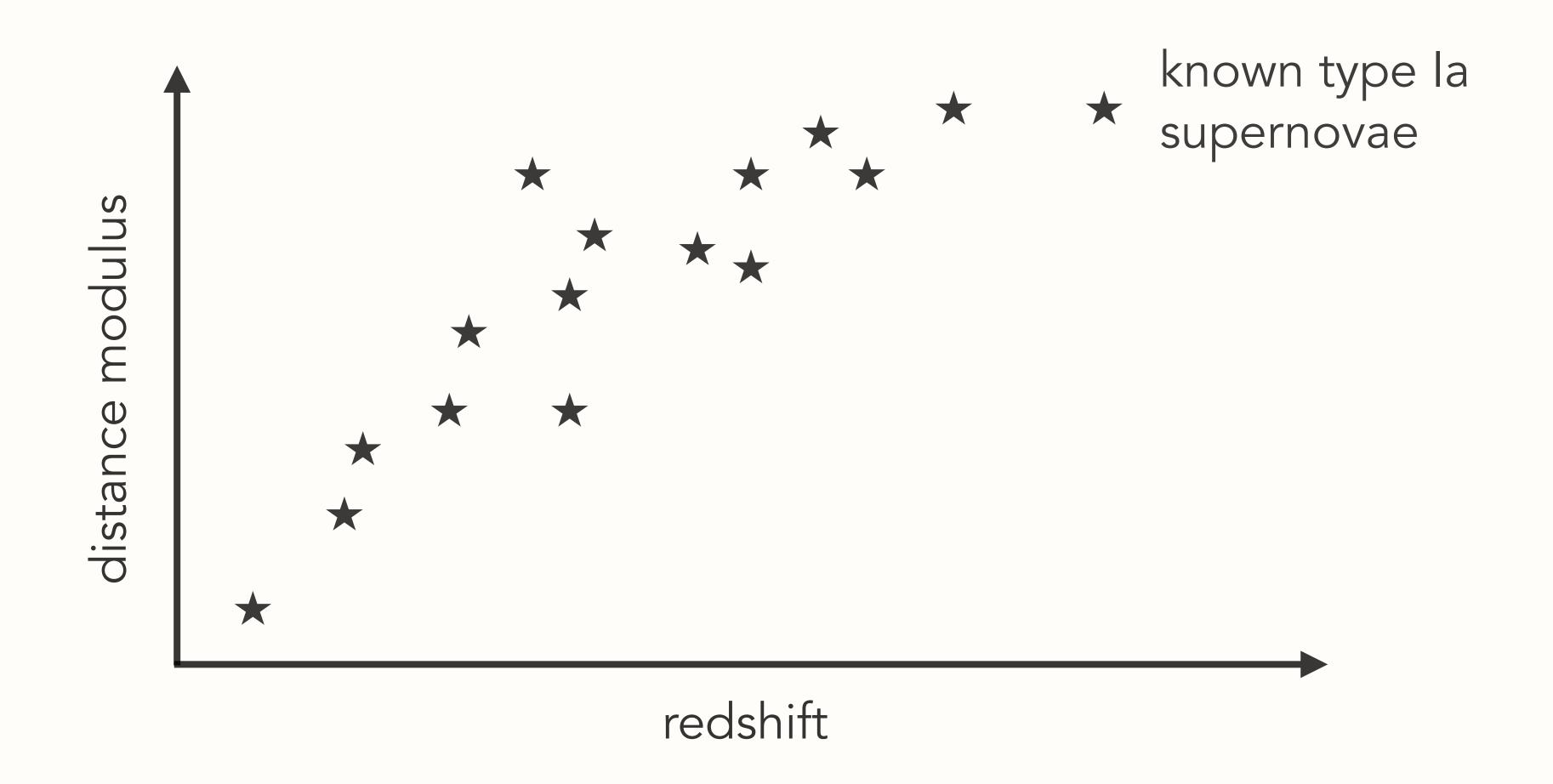


## The Hubble Diagram

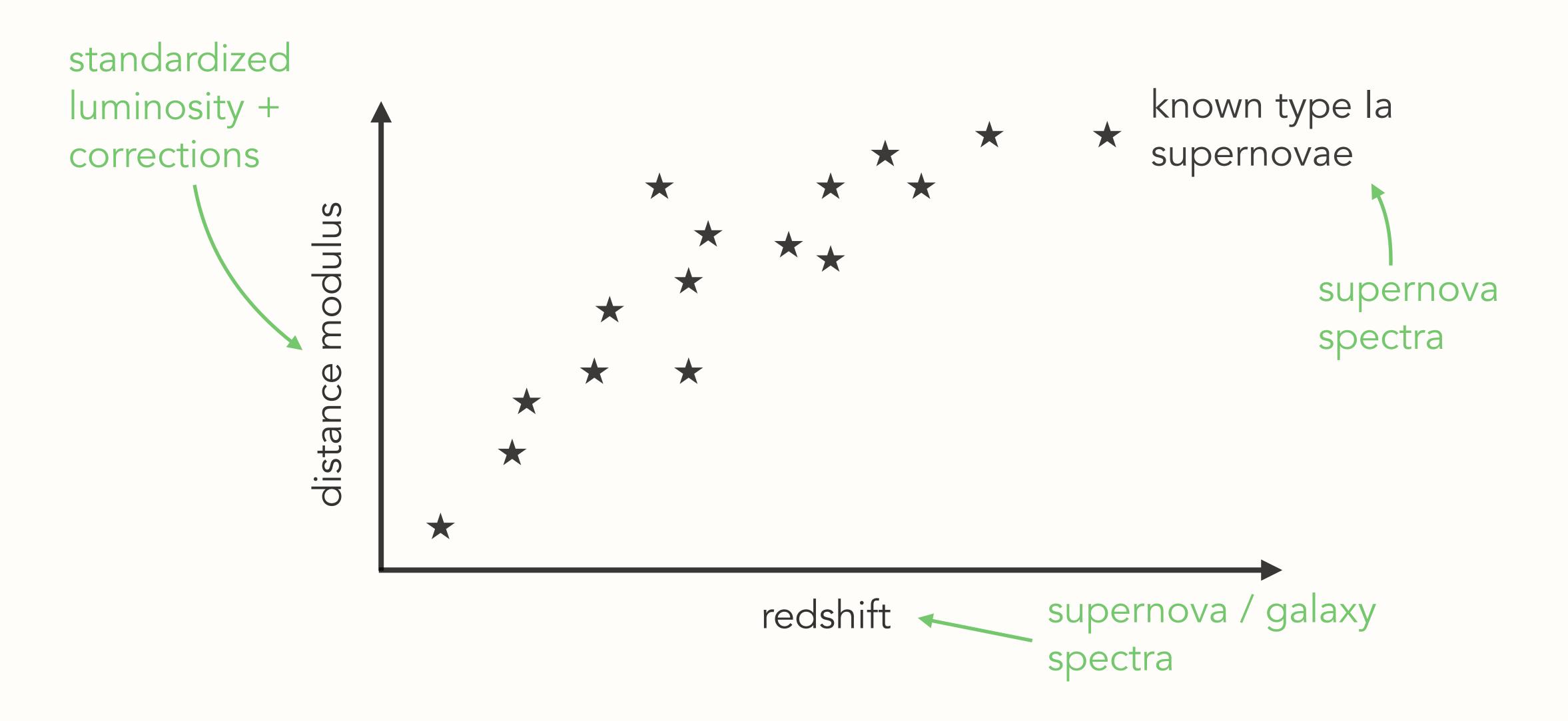
Standard candles can tell us about cosmology!



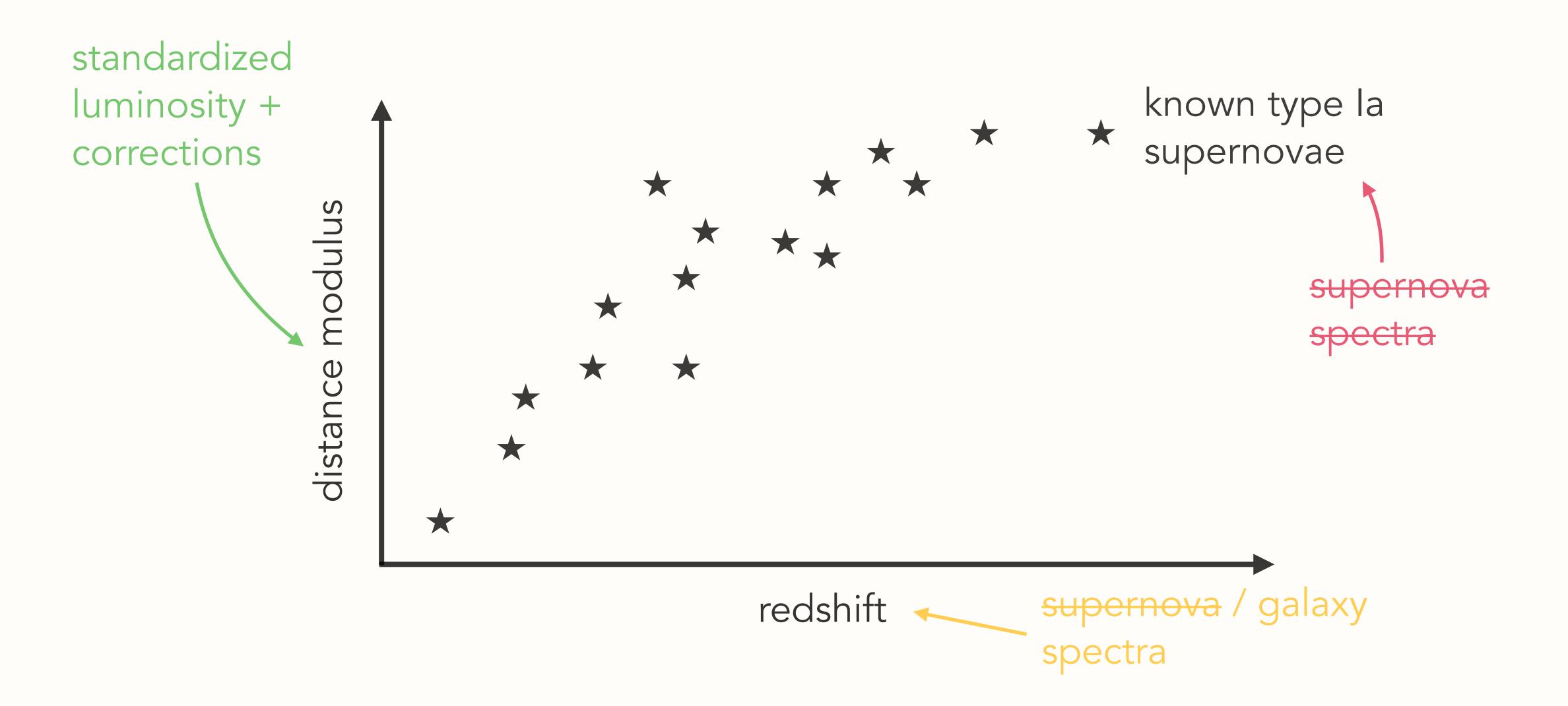
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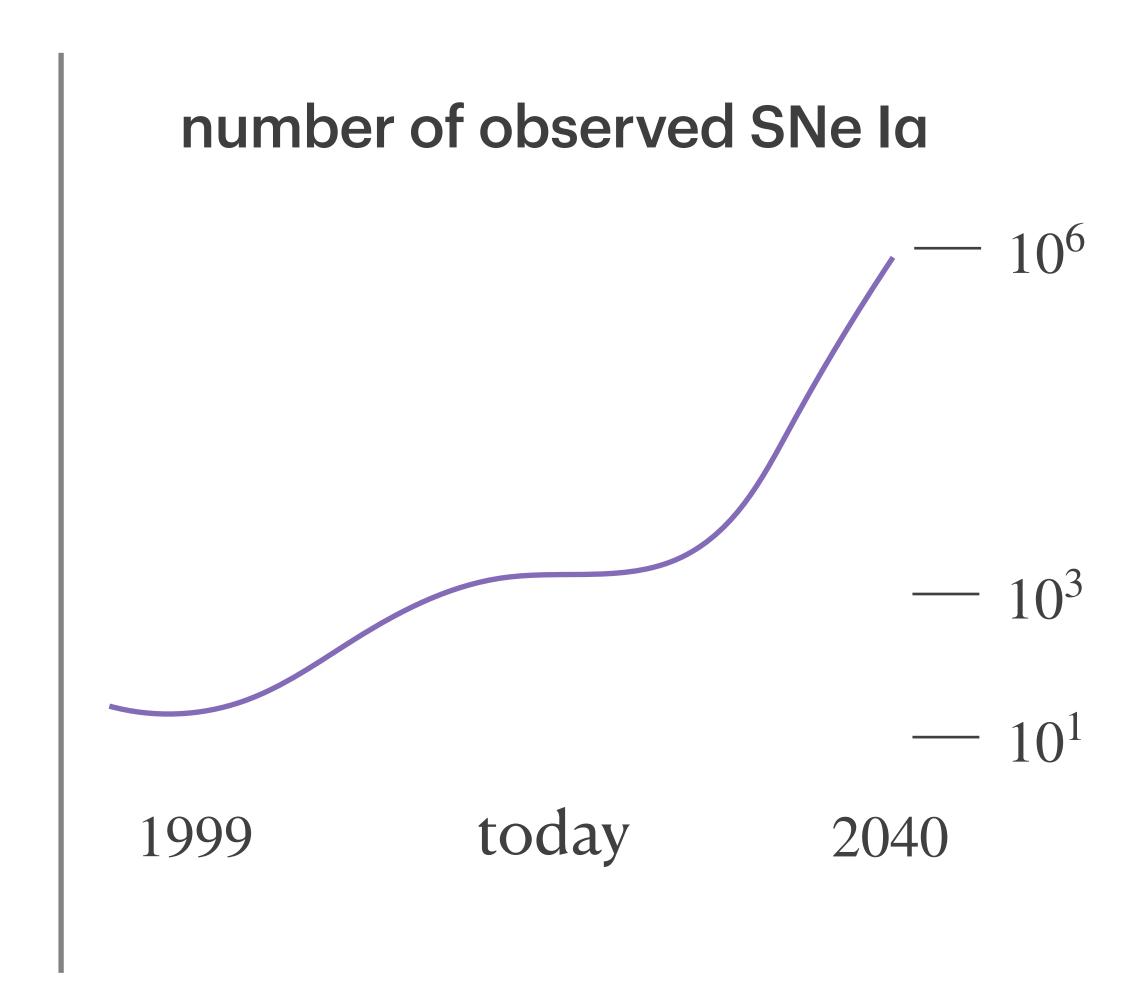


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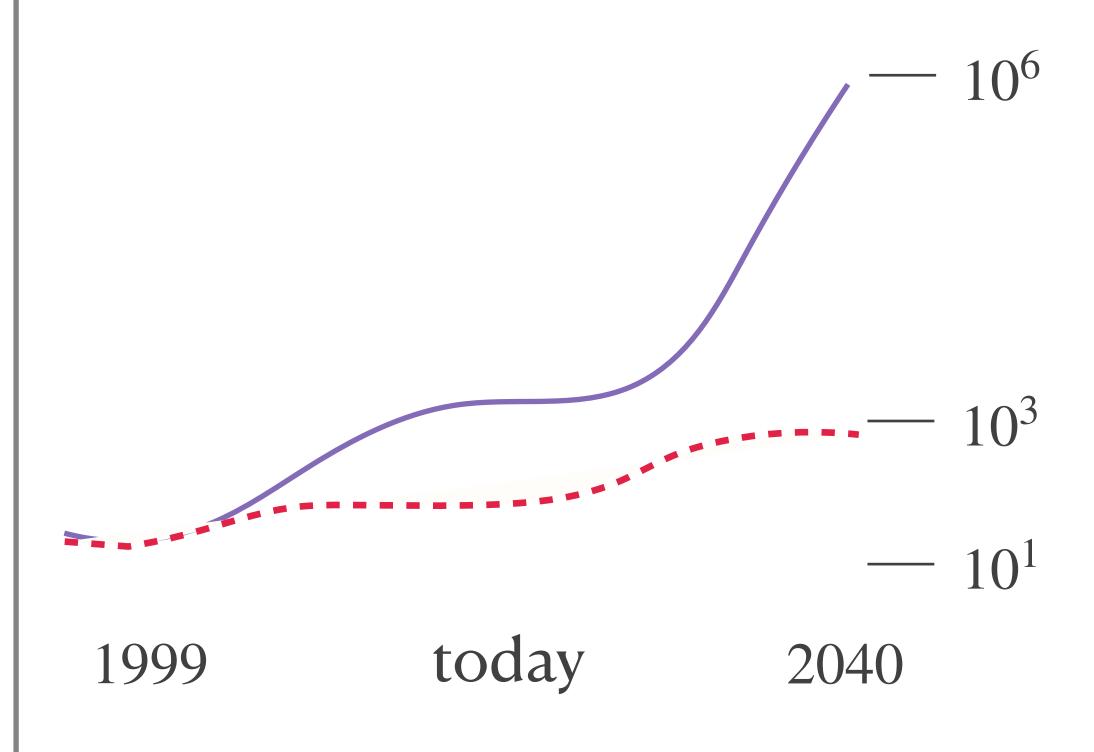
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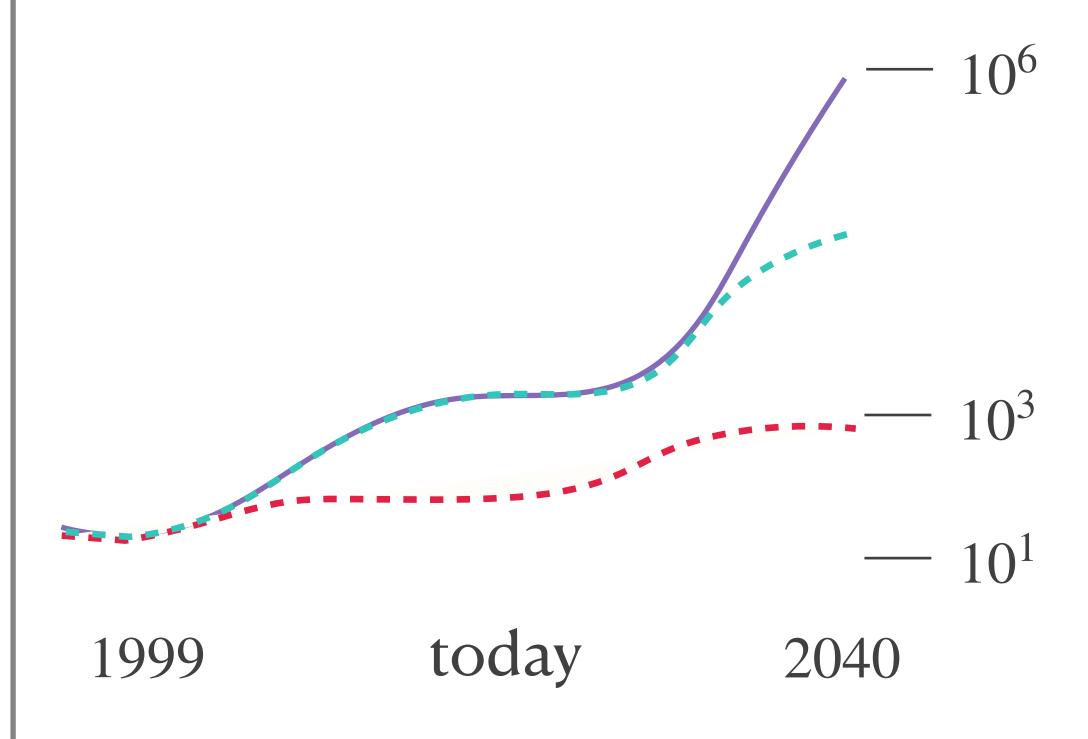




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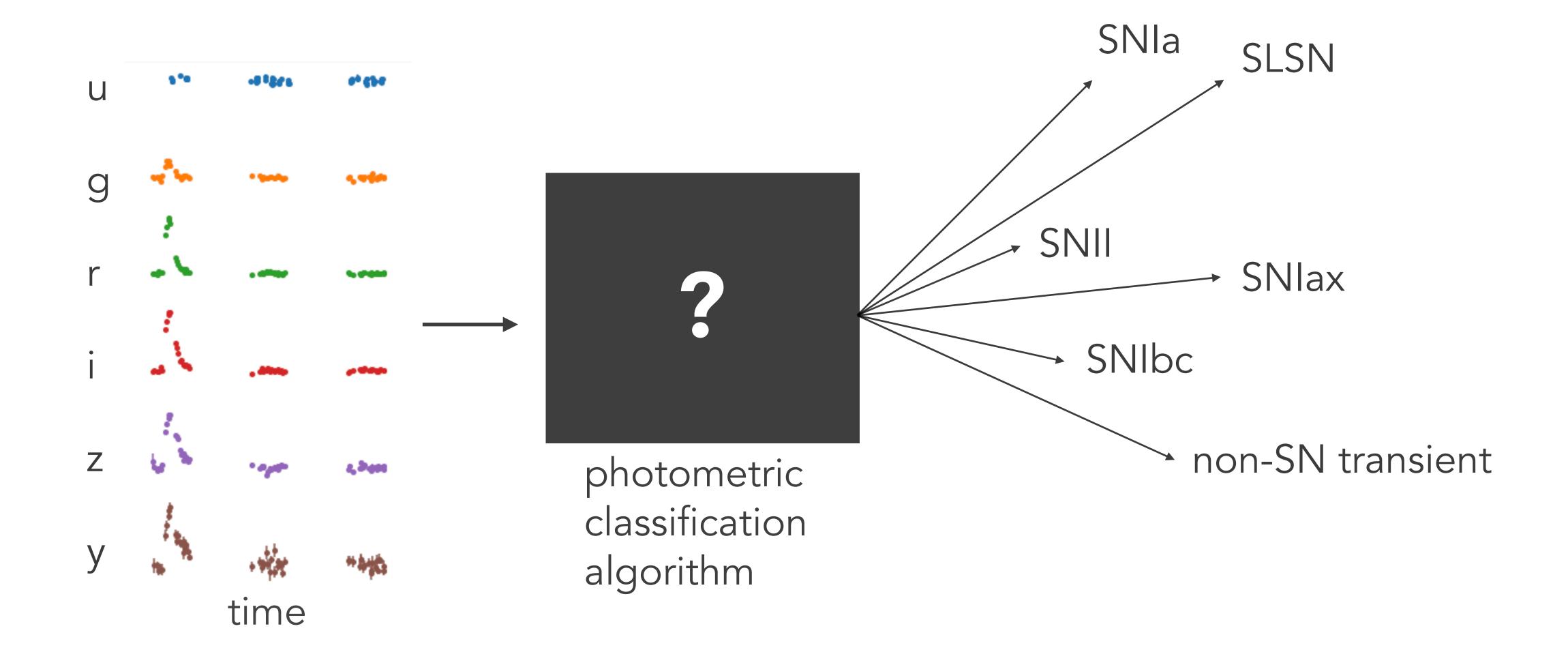
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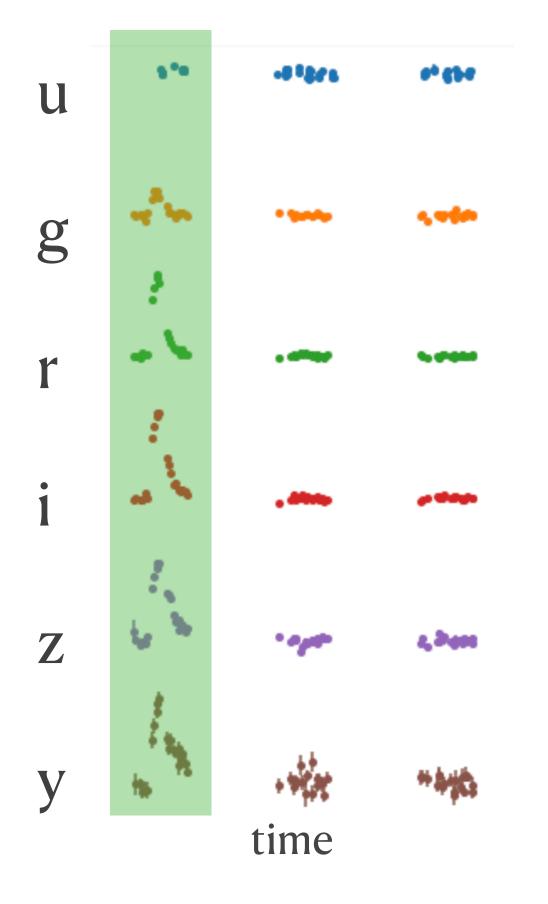
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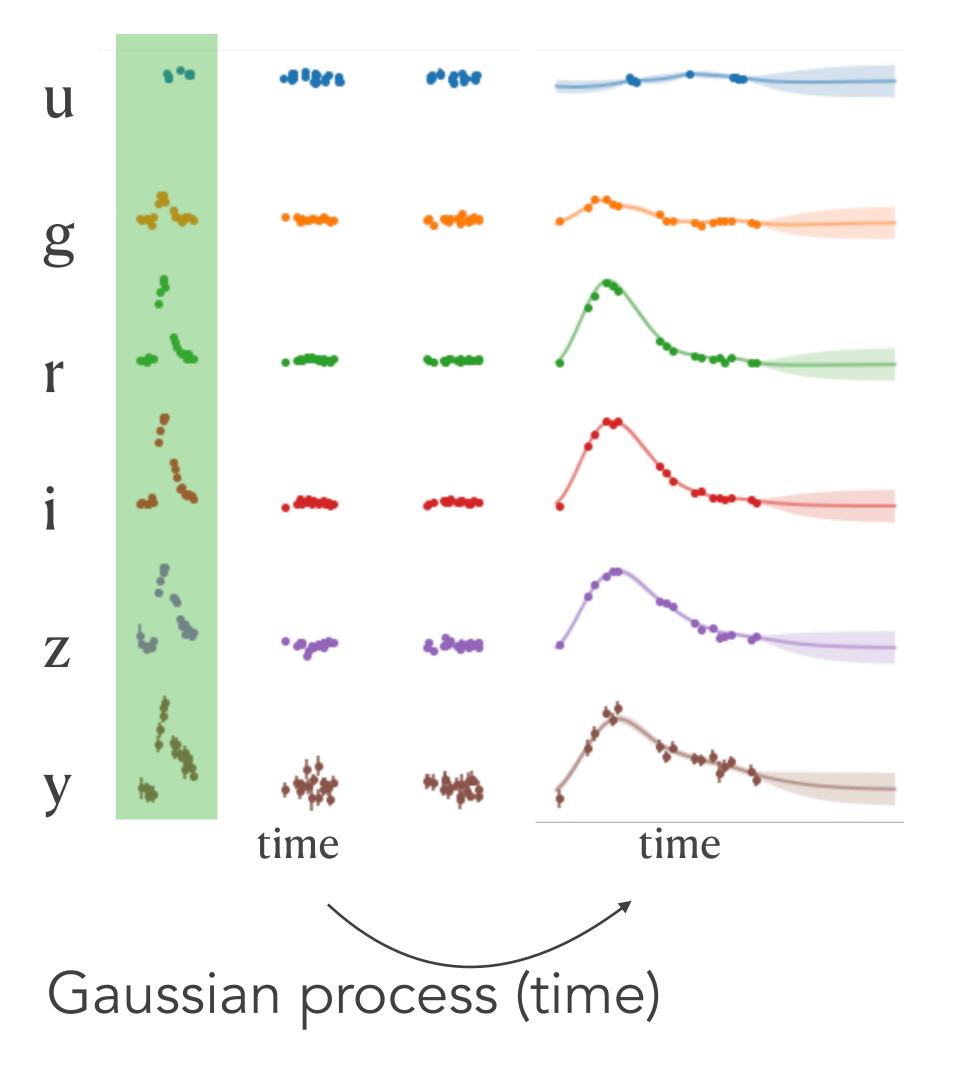
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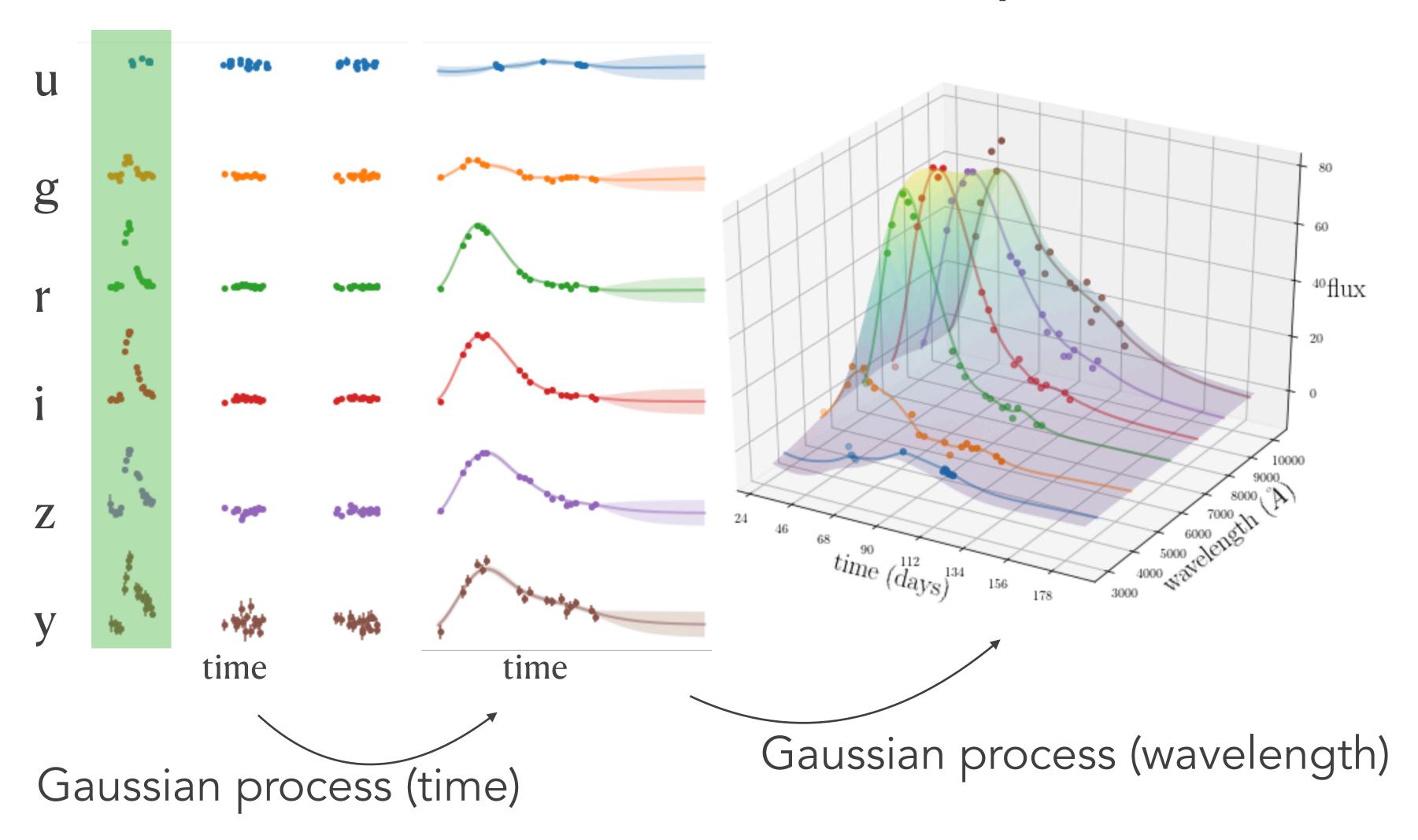
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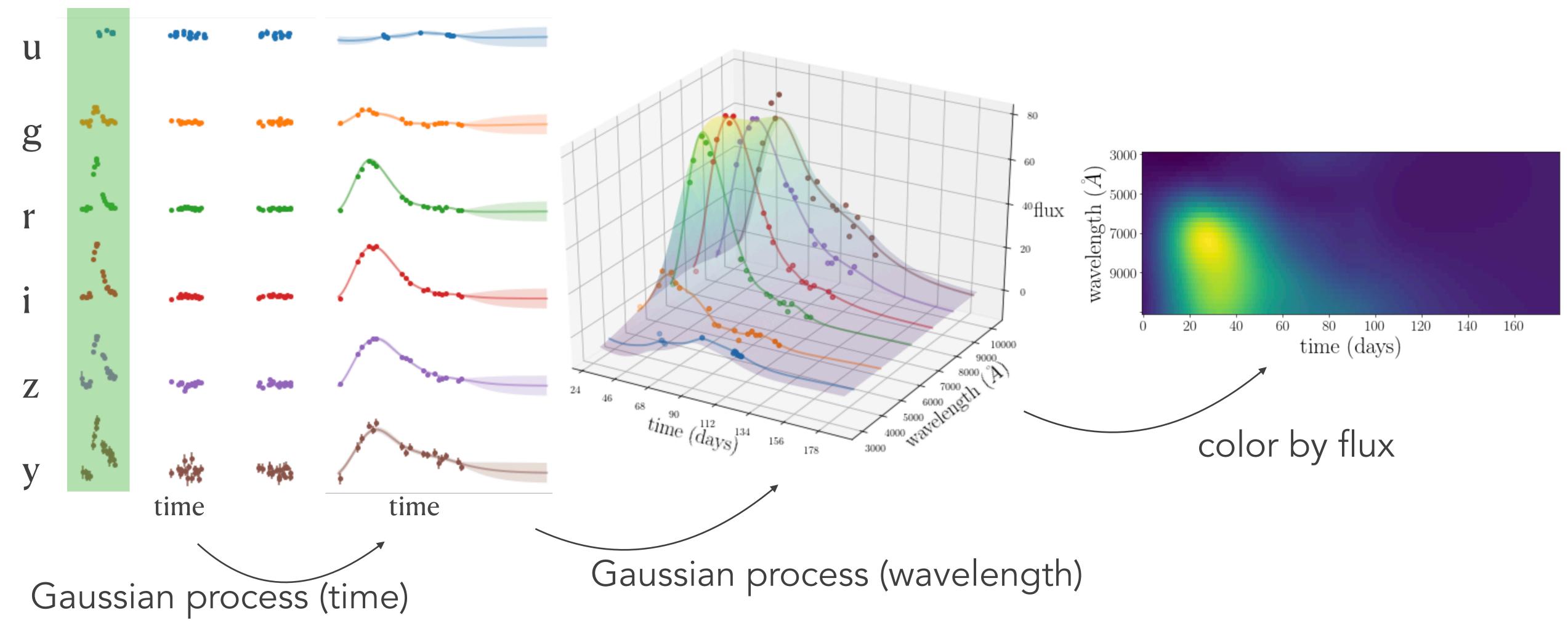
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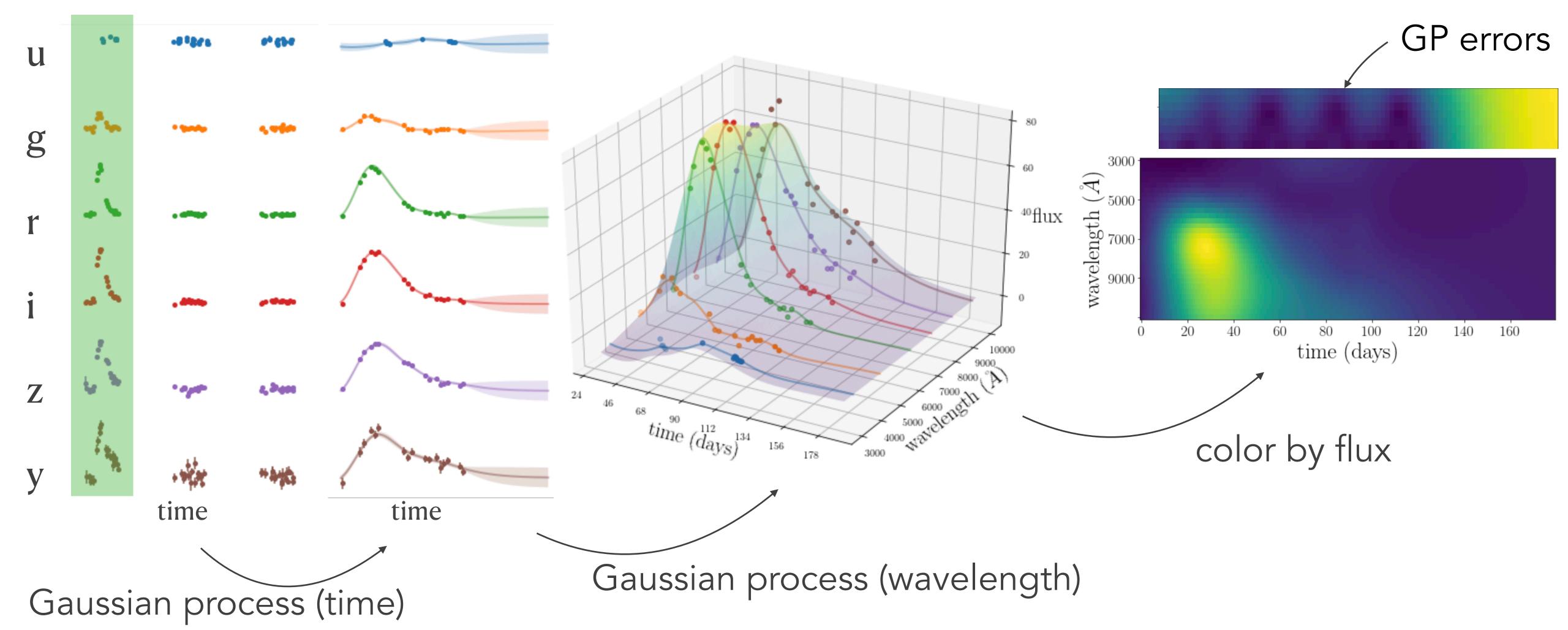


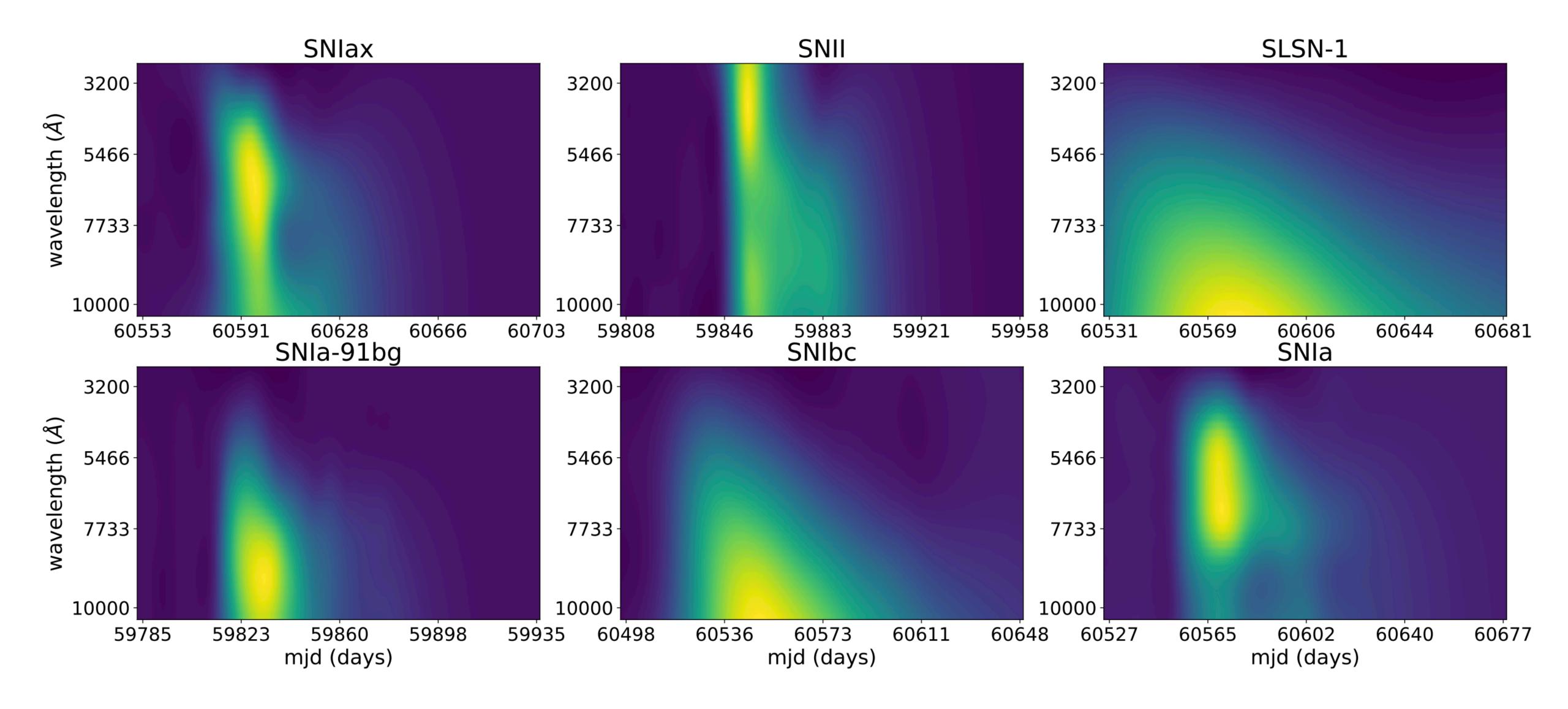








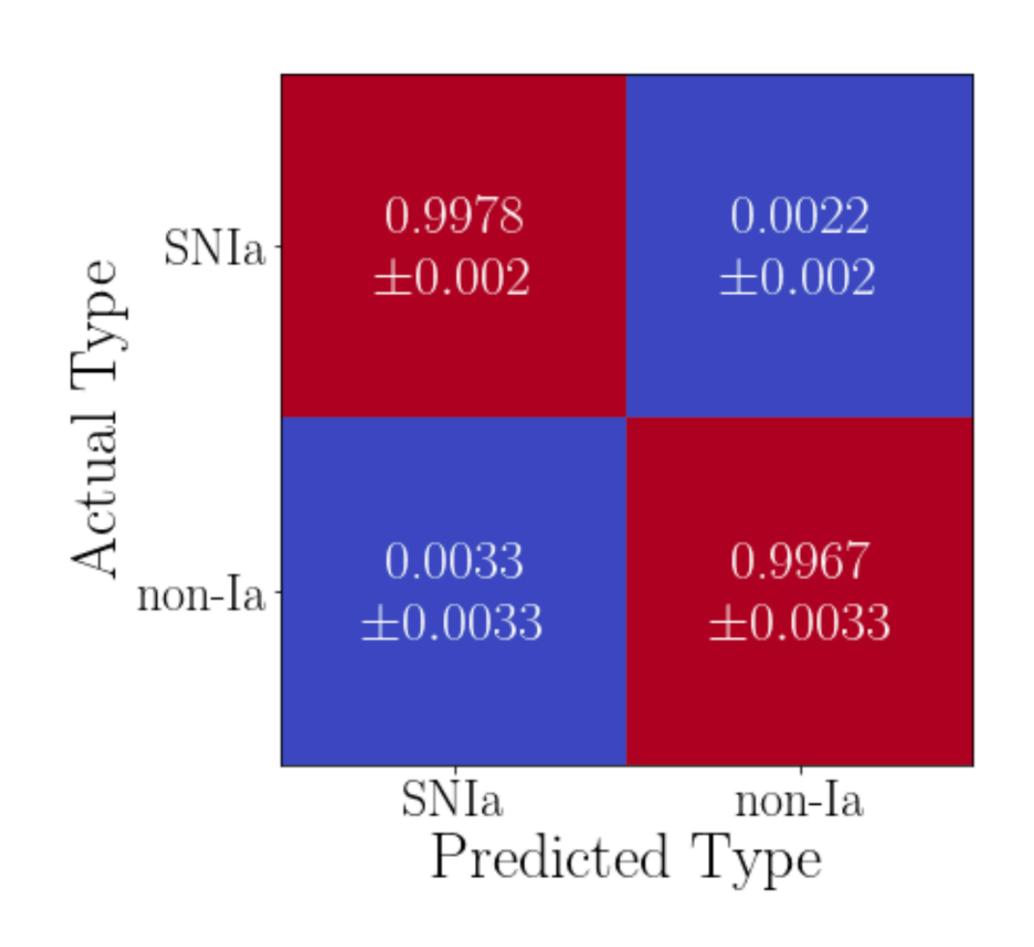




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## SCONE performs well on simulations + real data

#### SN la vs. non-la classification



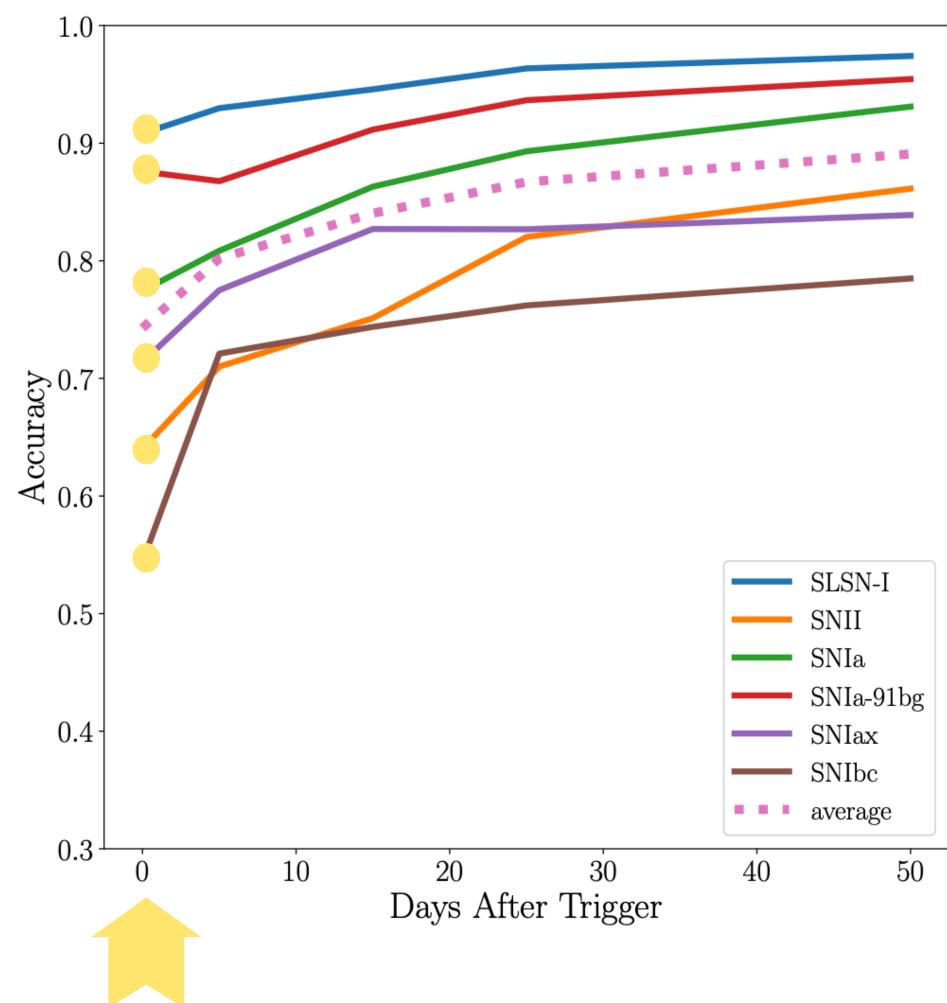
#### - accurate:

- >99% accuracy on simulations 93% on 568 spectroscopic DES SNe
- fast: trained w/ 40k SNe (15 min on GPU)
  - other approaches require millions of SNe, >10hr to train!
- used in DES, LSST, Roman analyses

## SCONE for Early-Time Classification

- early-time: as soon after detection as possible
- vital for optimal allocation of limited spectroscopic resources

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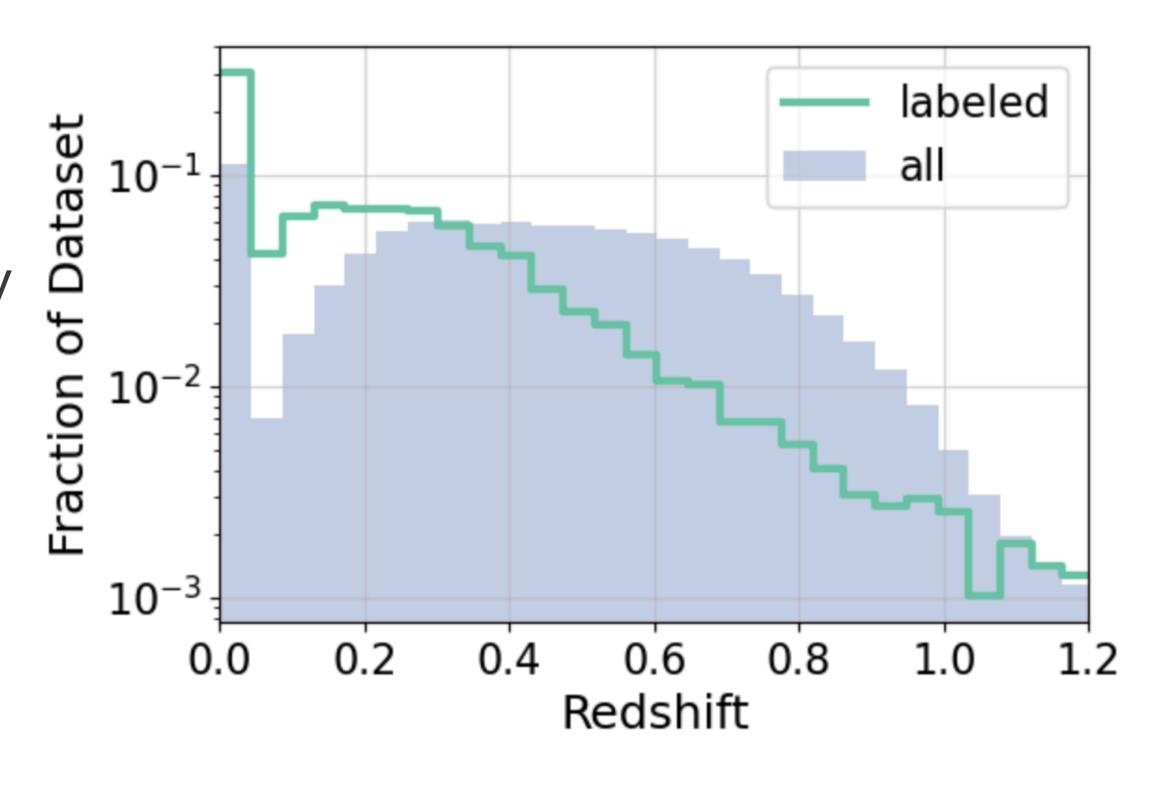


75% average accuracy (with redshift) on the night of trigger

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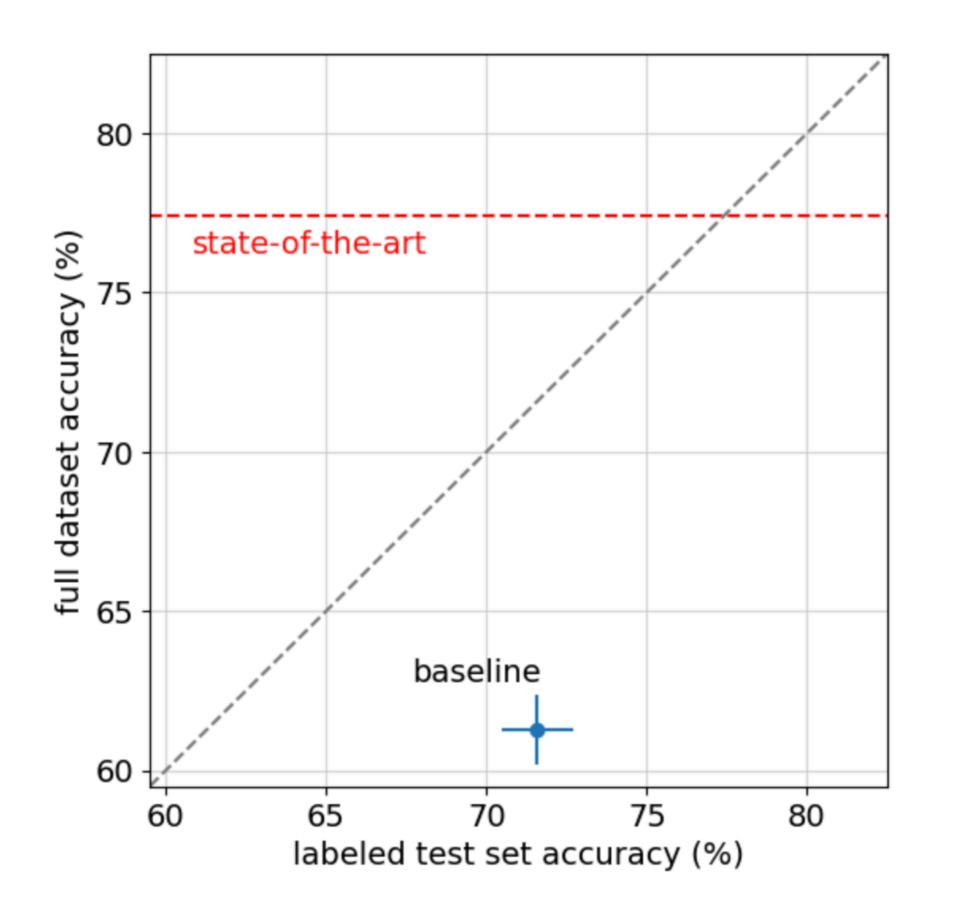
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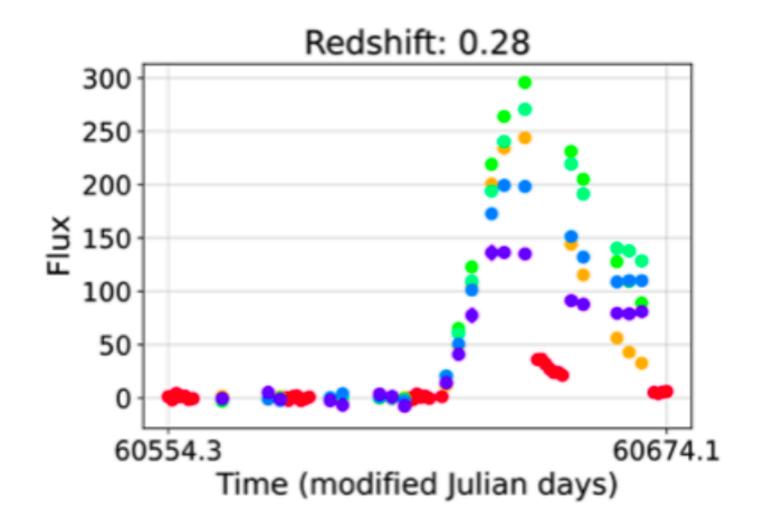
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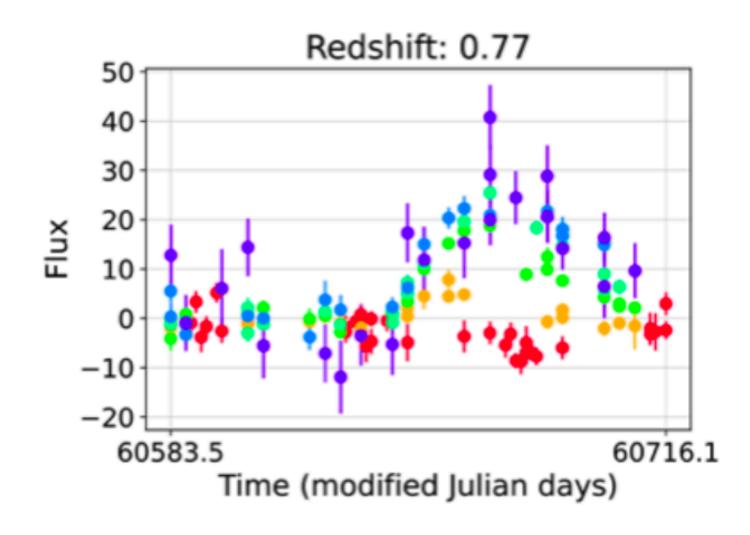


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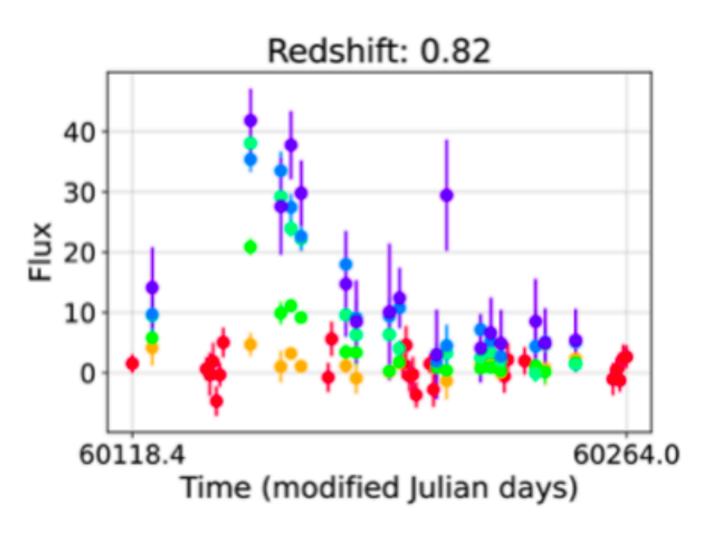
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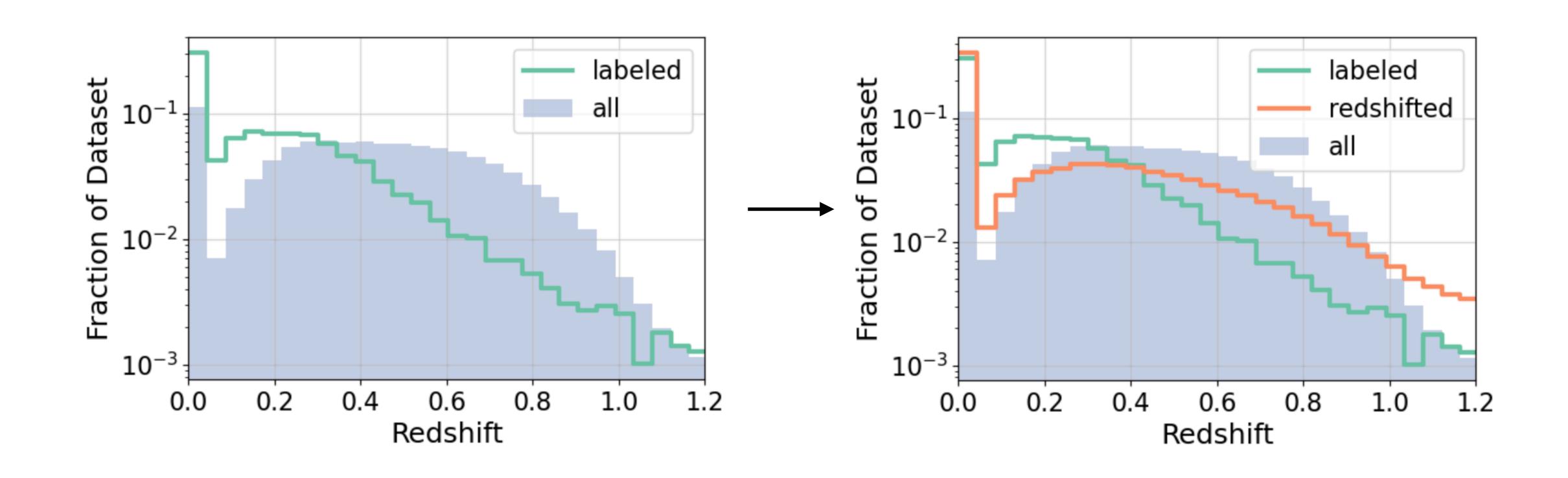
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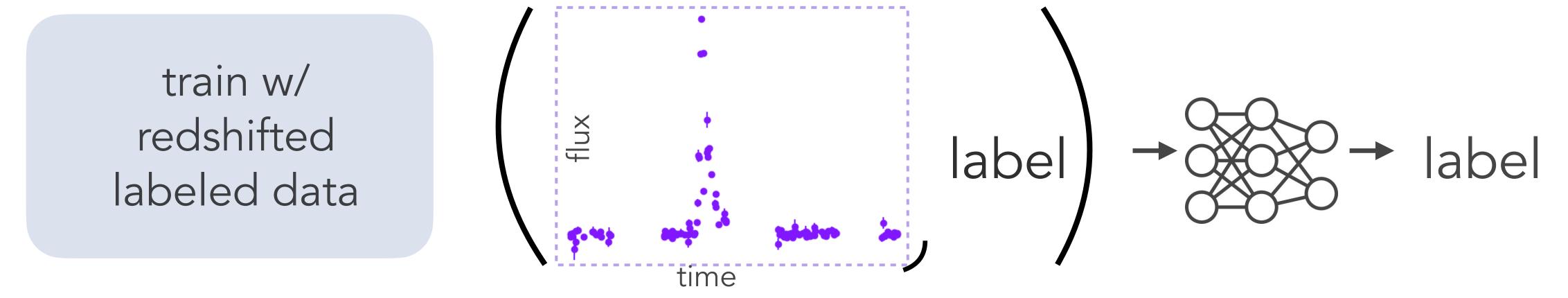


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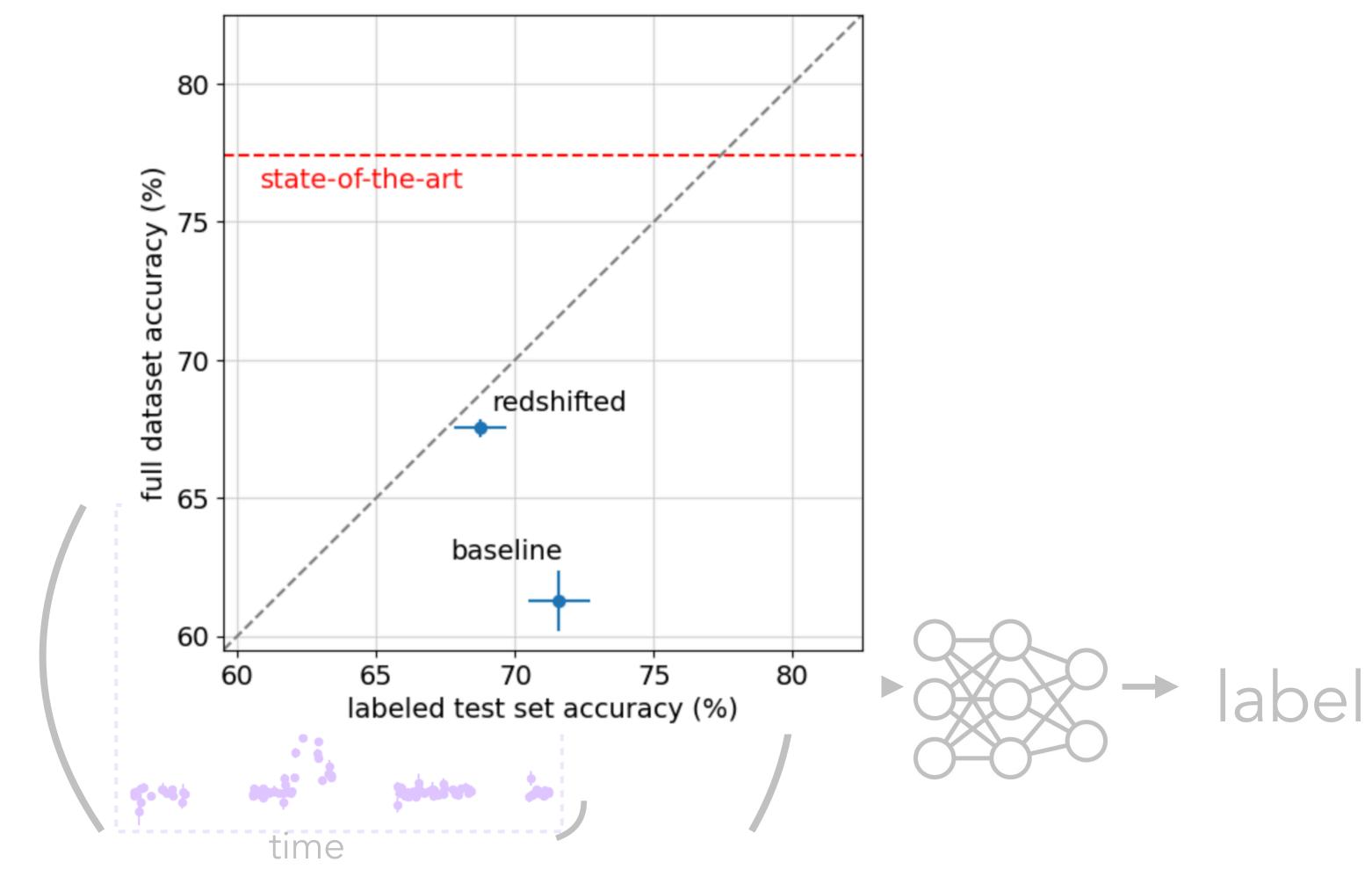


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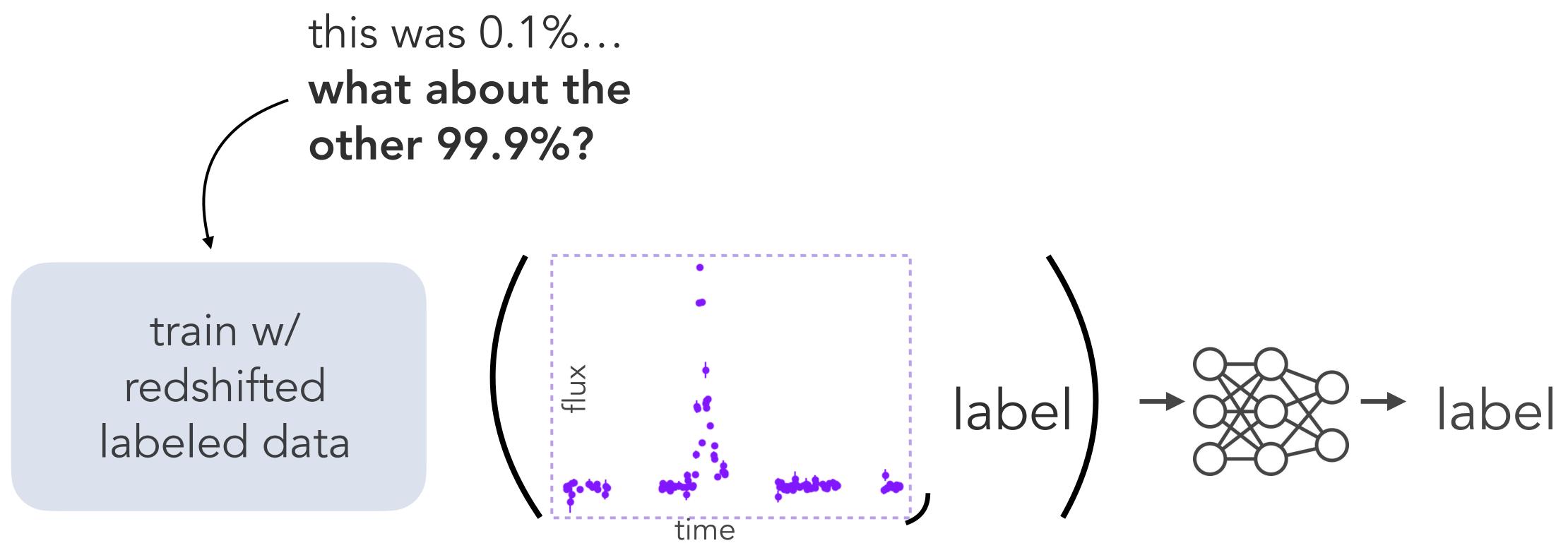




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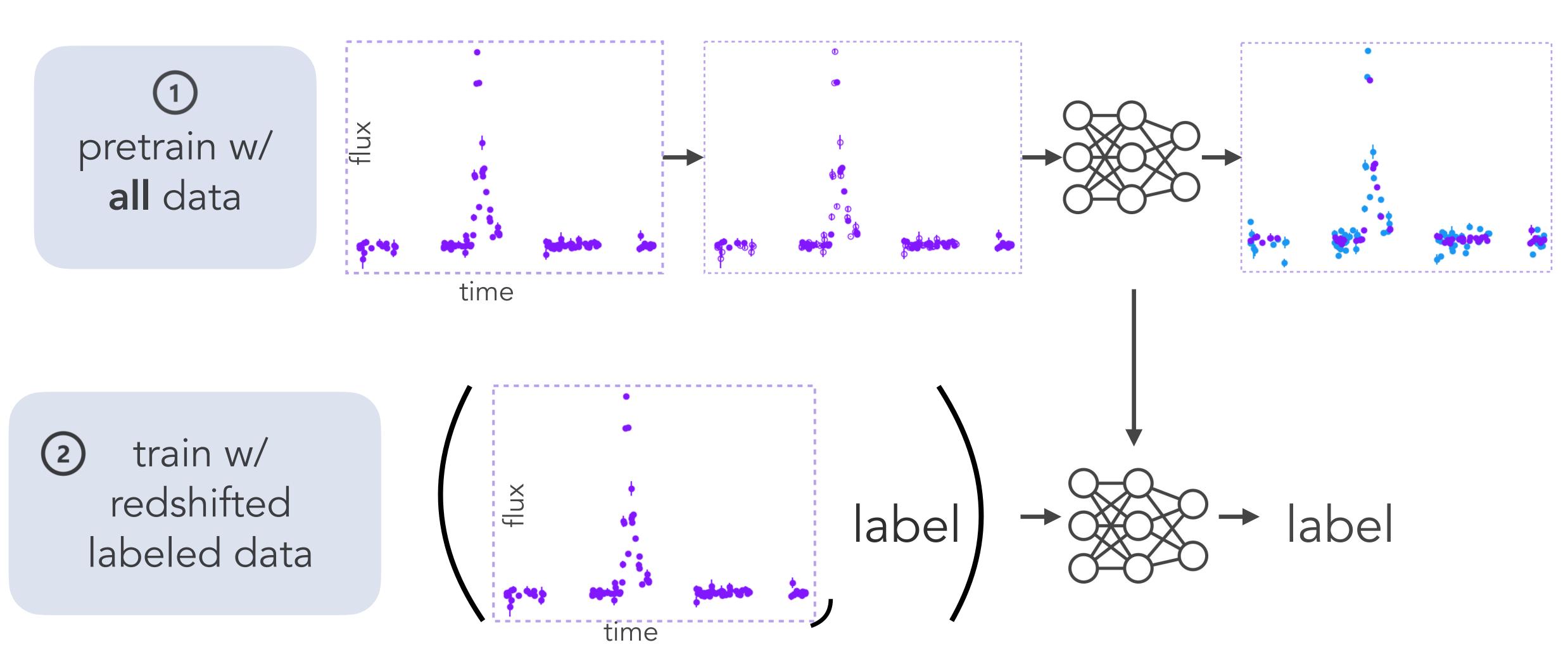


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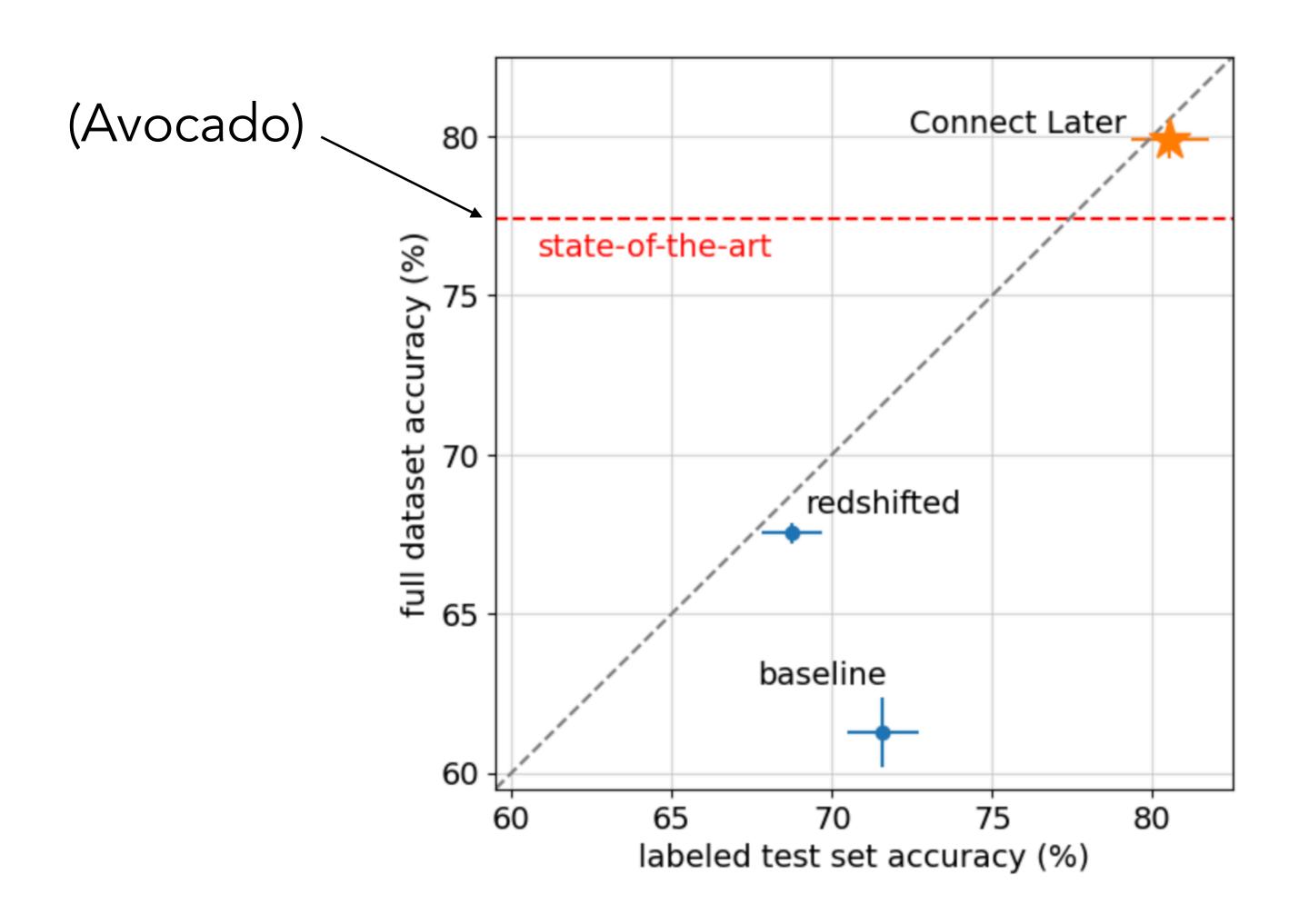
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### Connect Later: Incorporates Labeled + Unlabeled Data

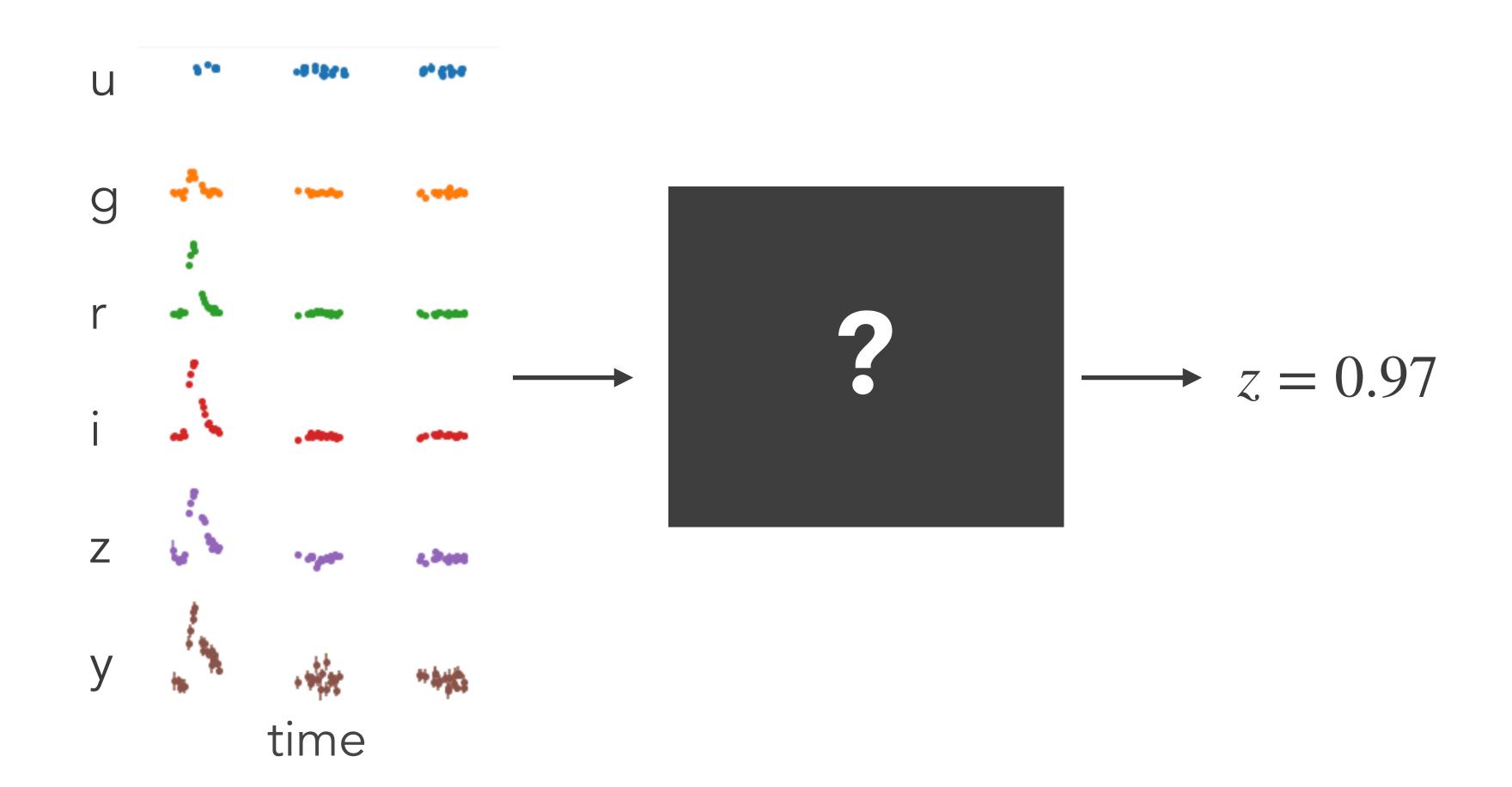


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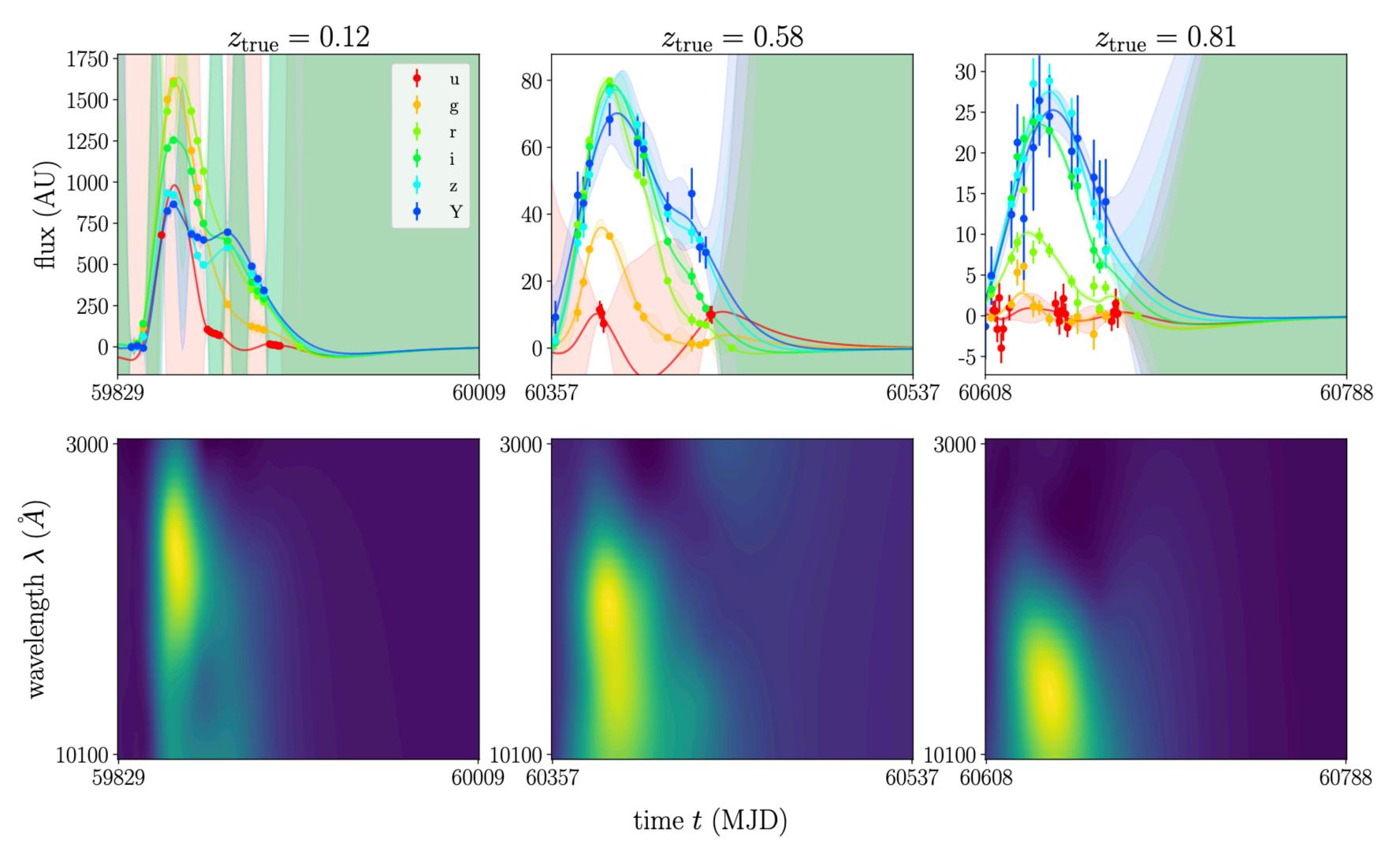
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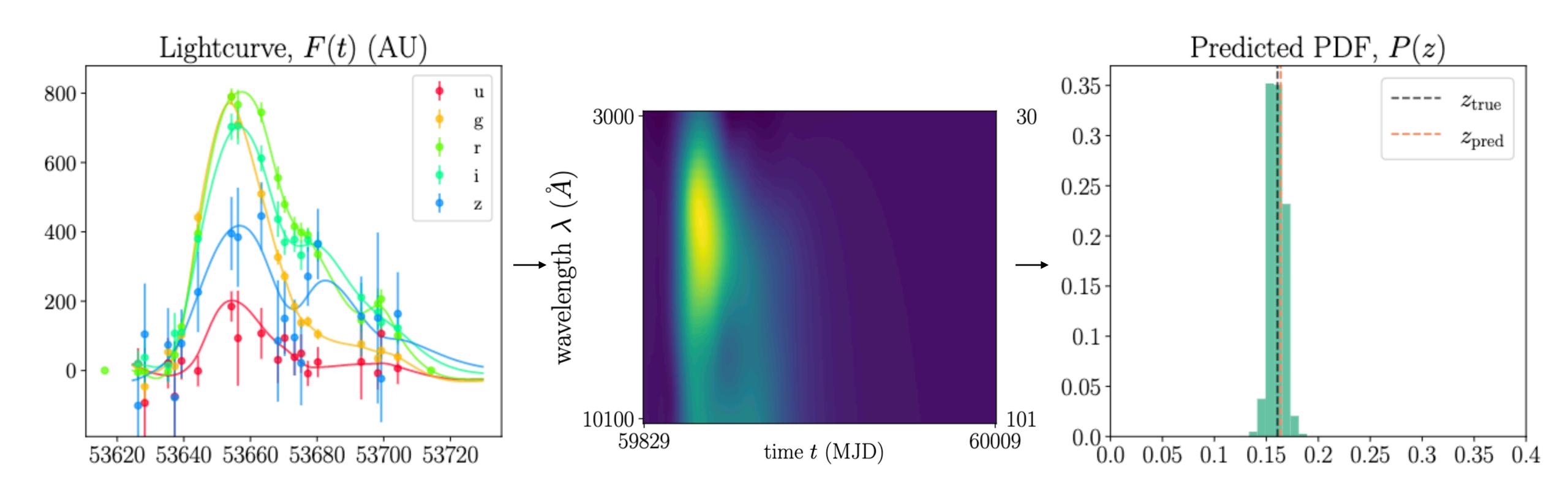
#### Photometric Redshift Estimation



## Image Representation Makes Redshift Visible

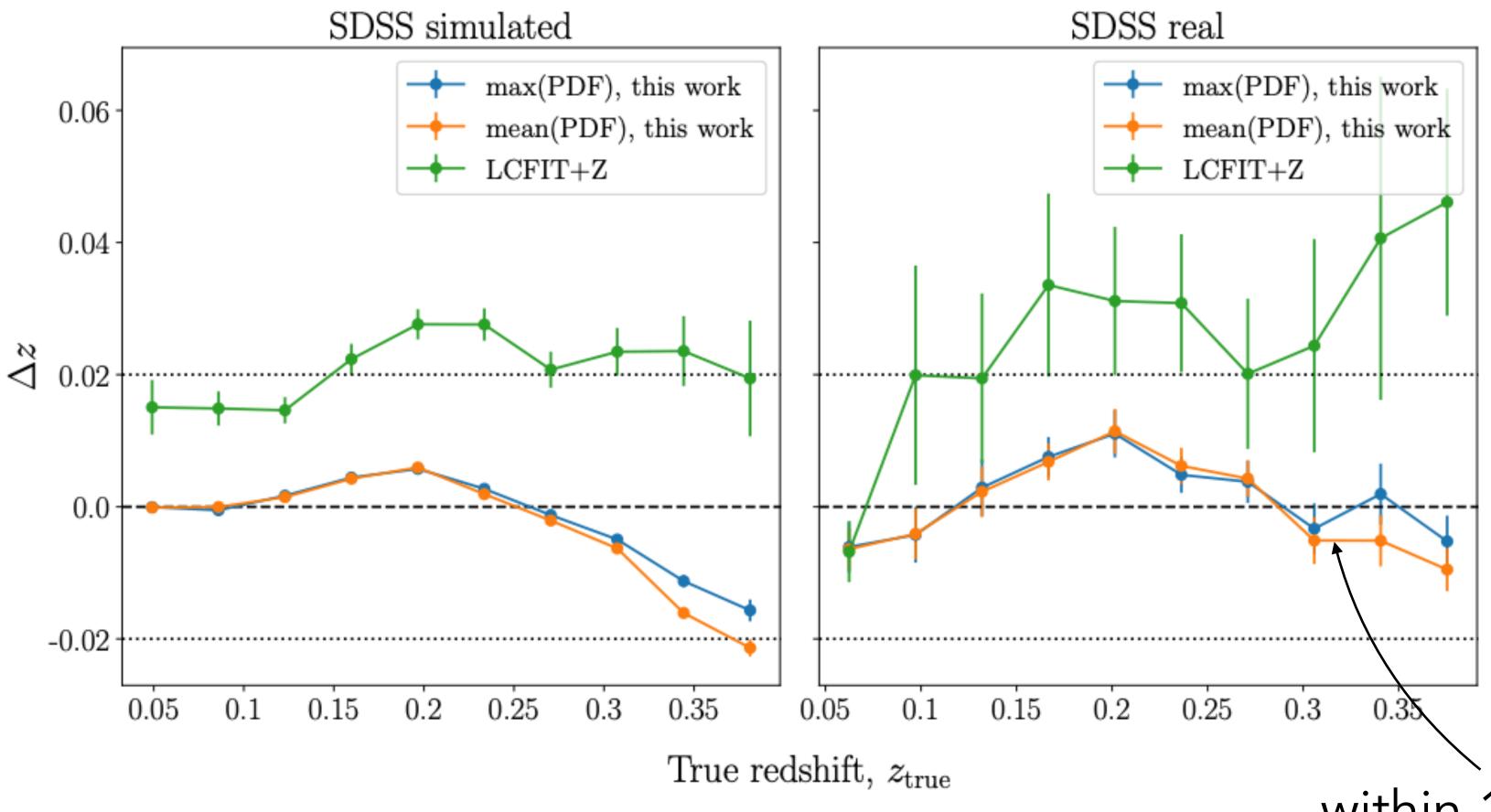


#### Photo-zSNthesis: Converting SN la Lightcurves to Redshift PDFs



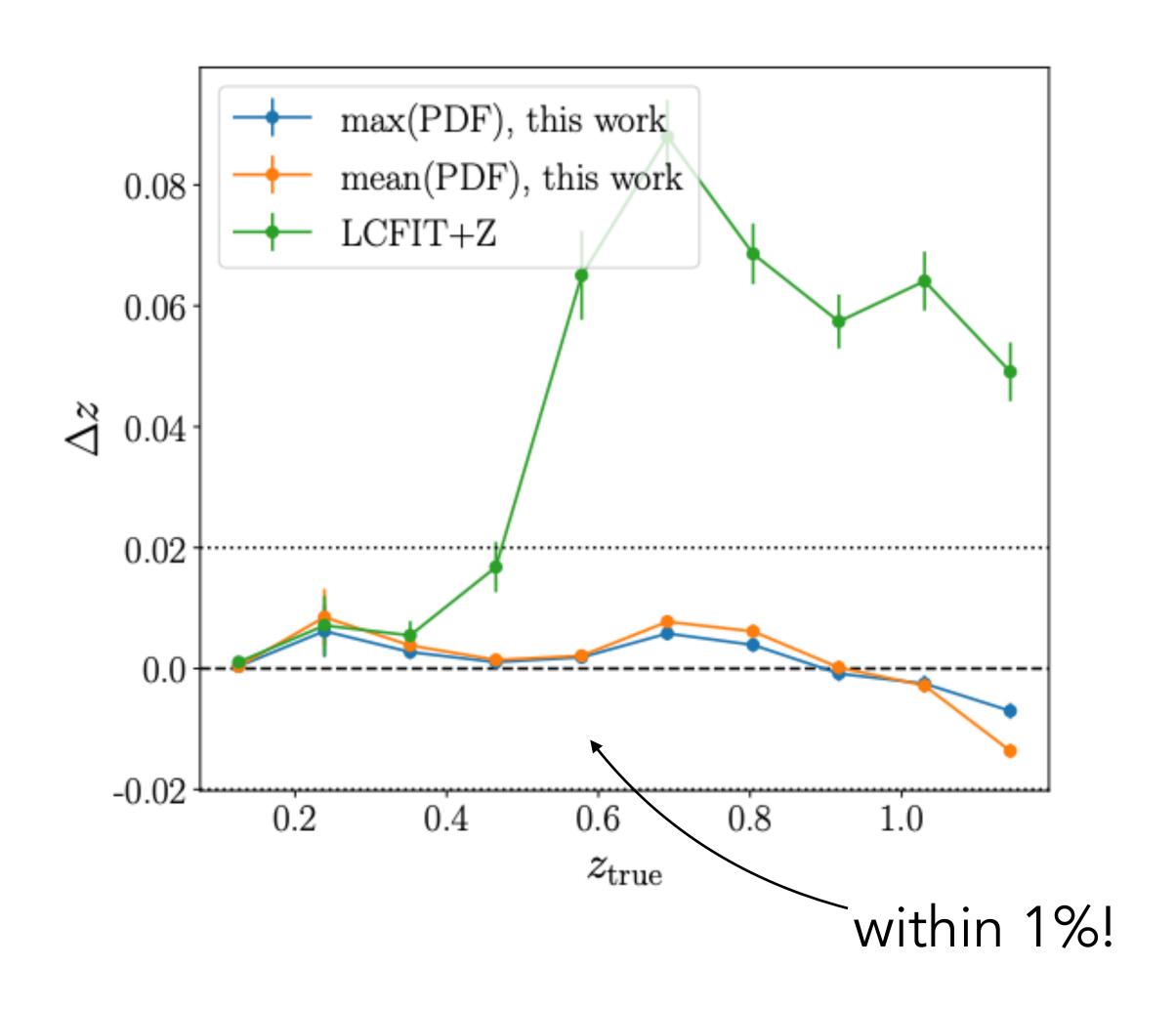
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#### Tested on SDSS simulations + real data



within 1% (similar to best galaxy photo-z's)!

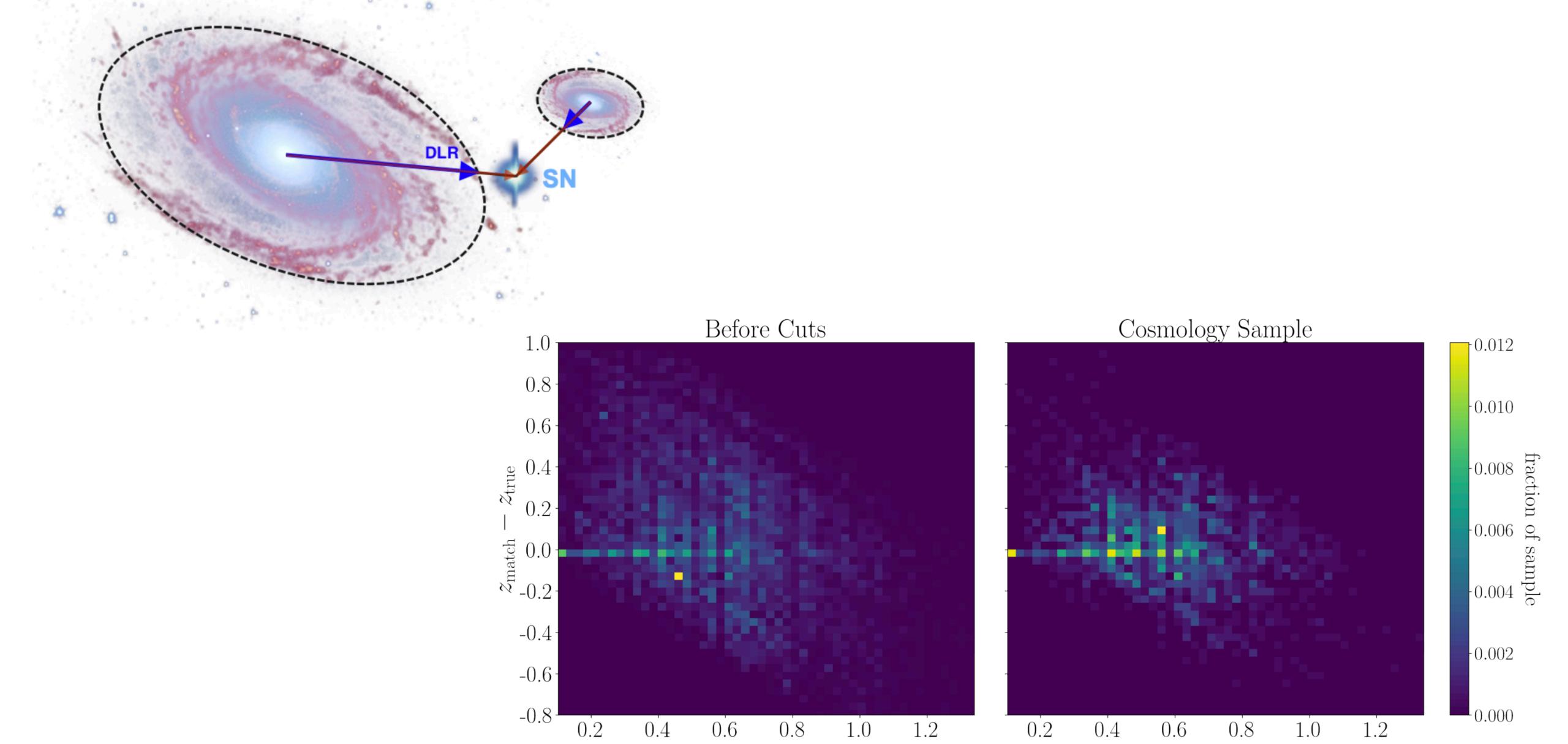
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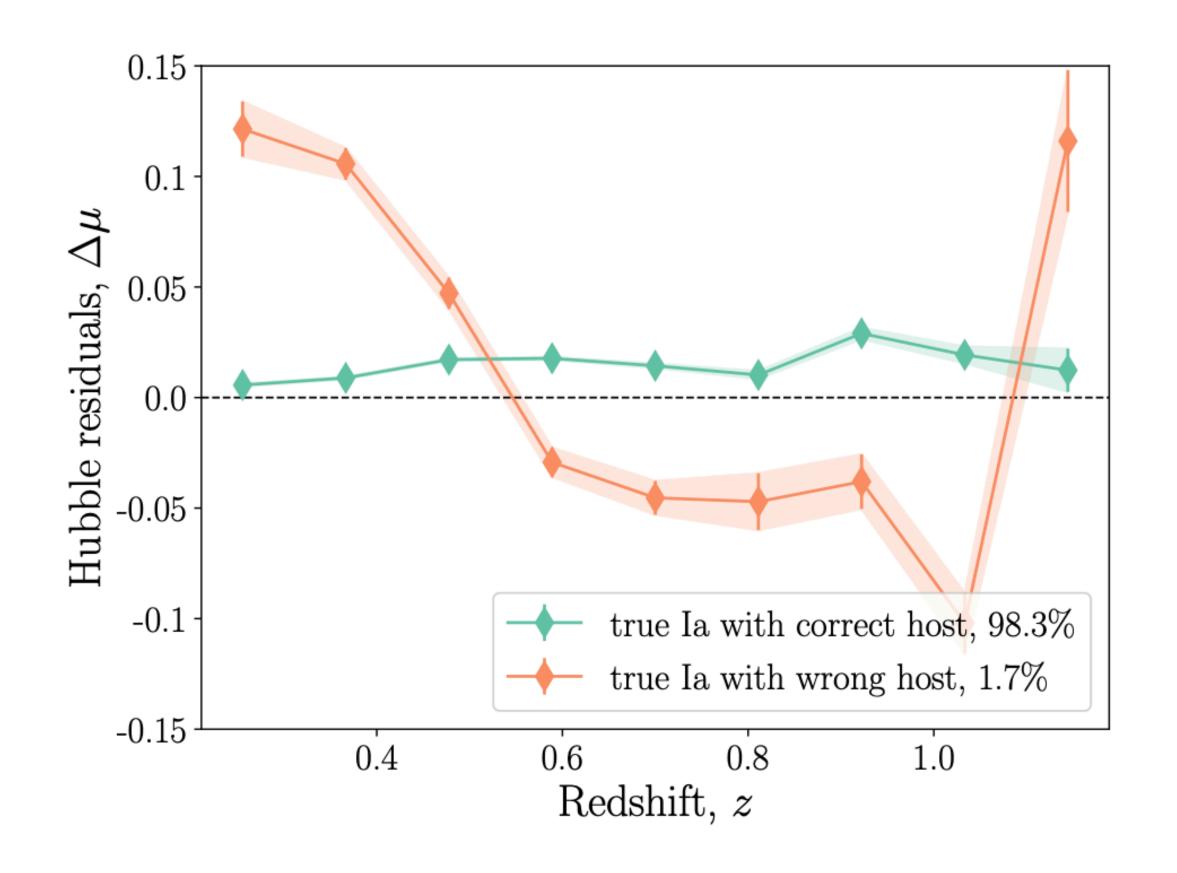
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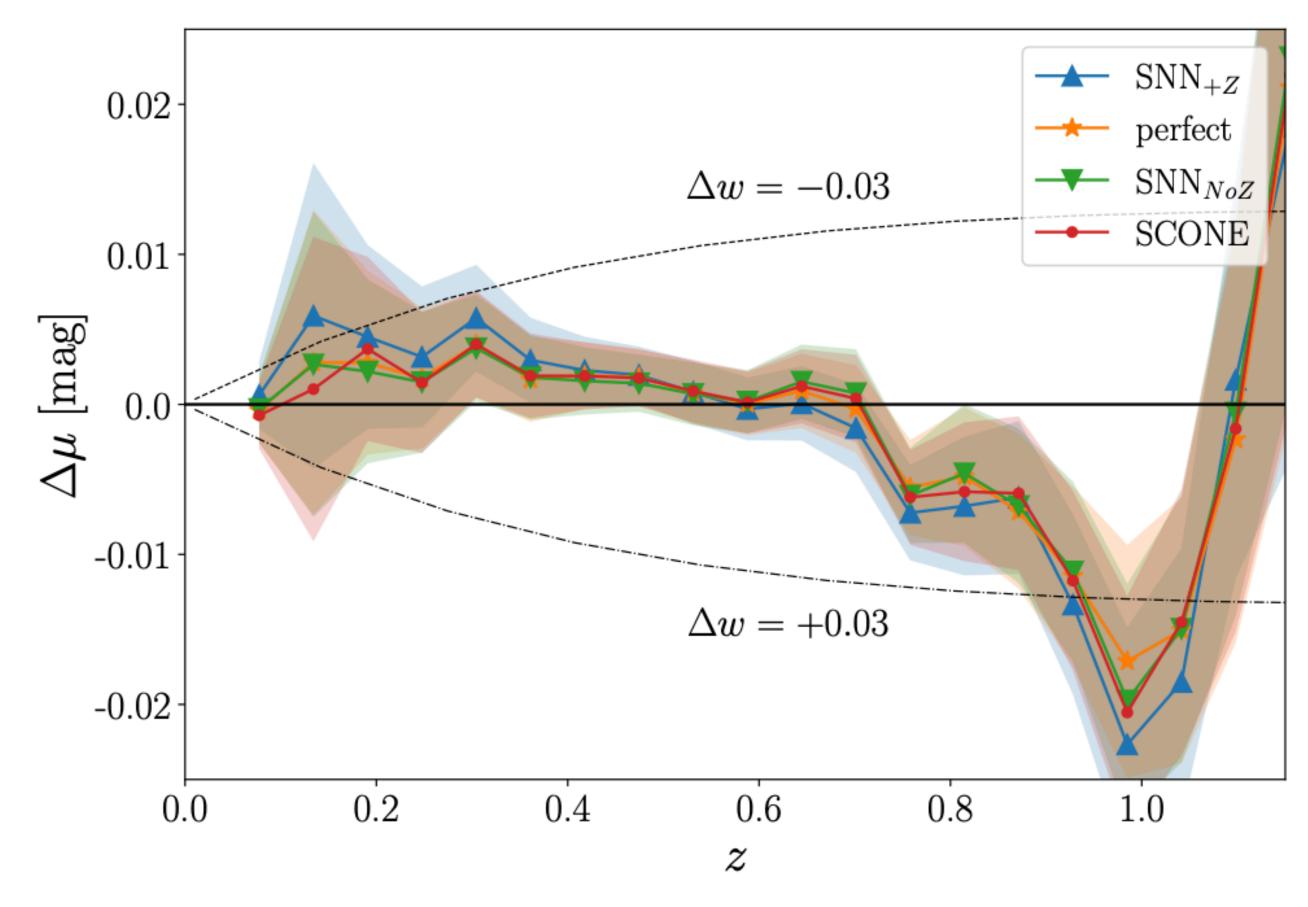
- Rubin SN cosmology will depend on photometric estimates of SN type & redshift
  - Photometric classification: **SCONE**
  - Photometric redshift estimation: Photo-zSNthesis

# Appendix



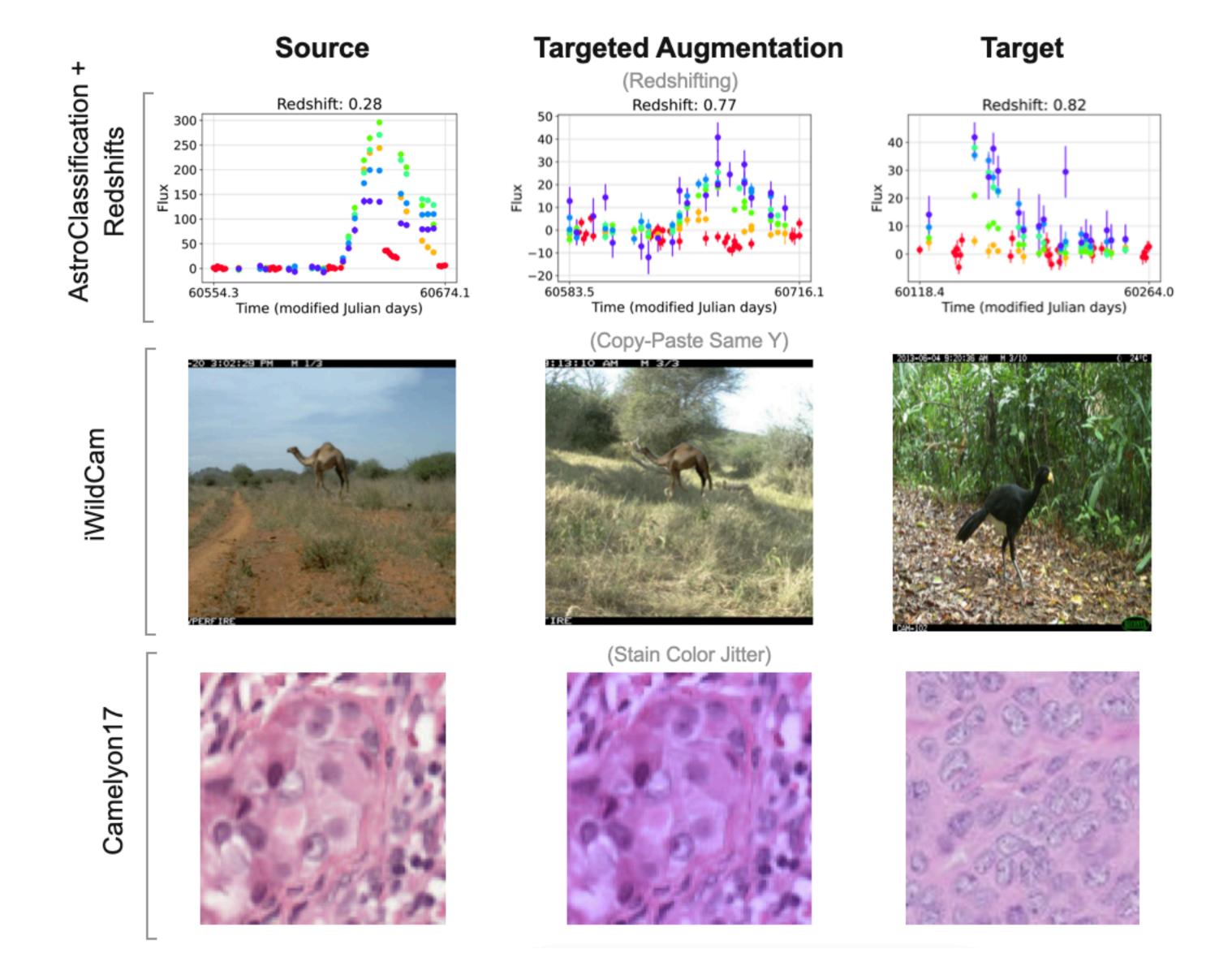
True redshift,  $z_{\text{true}}$ 



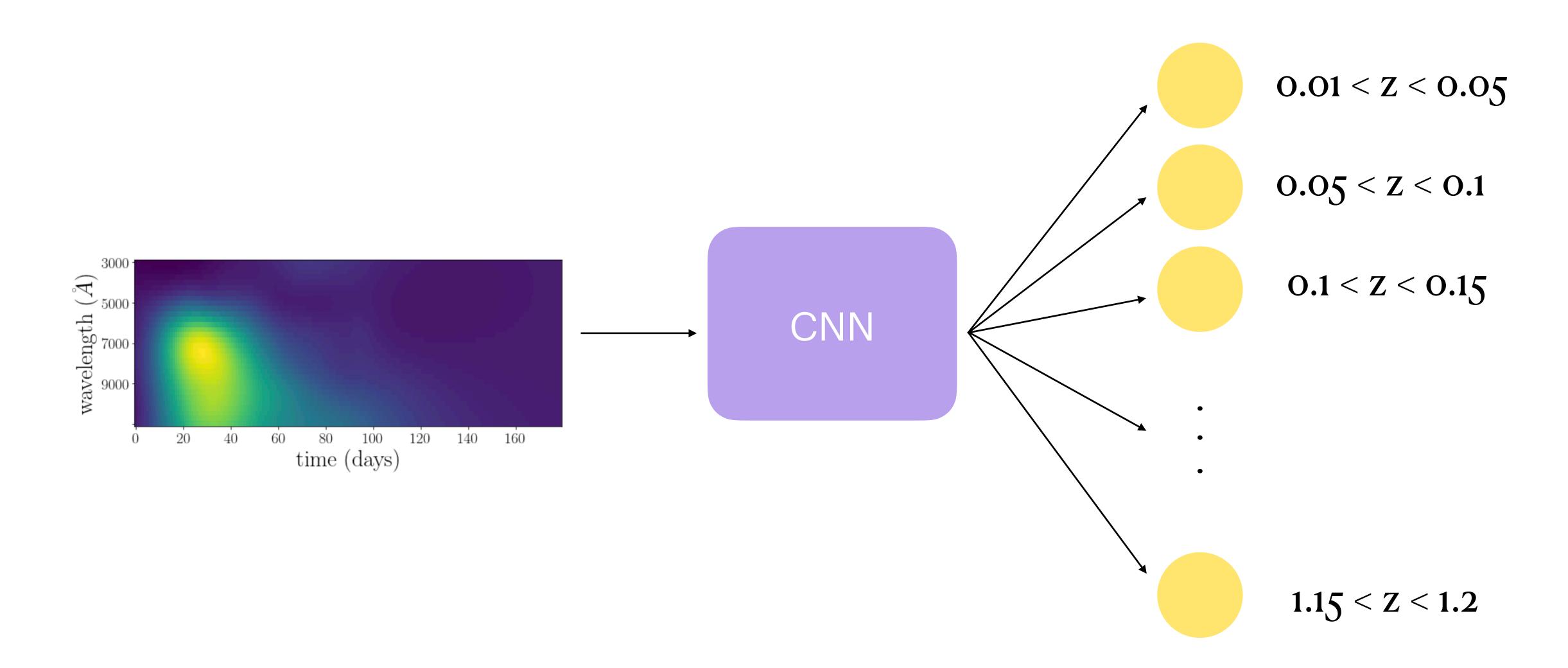


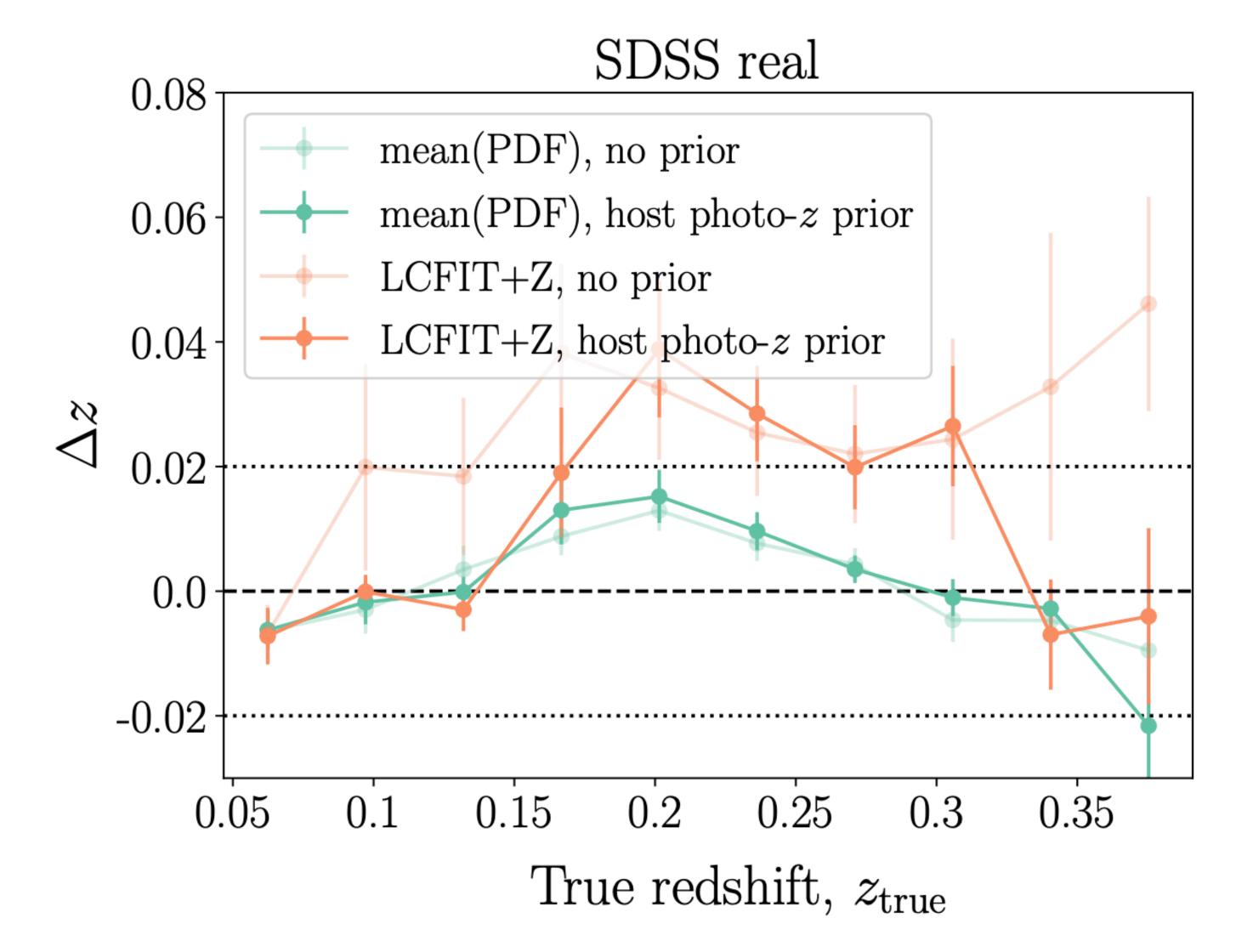
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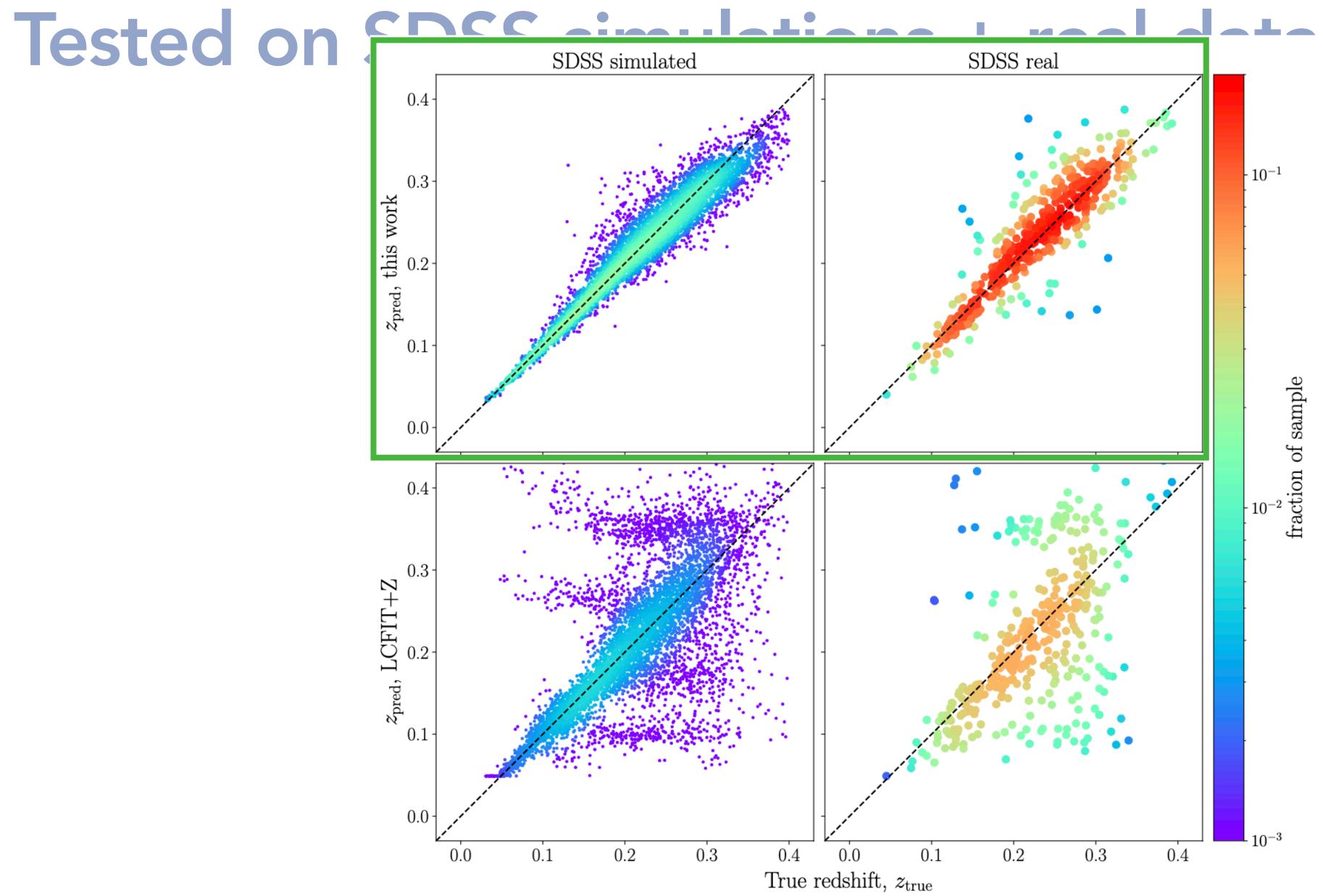
- Out-of-the-box pretraining objectives have been shown to be more effective for unsupervised domain adaptation (UDA) than methods tailored for UDA (e.g., DANN, CORAL) [Shen et al., 2022]
- Generally, much more unlabeled data is available than labeled data
- pretrained models can be reused for multiple downstream tasks (AstroClassification and Redshifts in our paper)



#### Discretized PDF

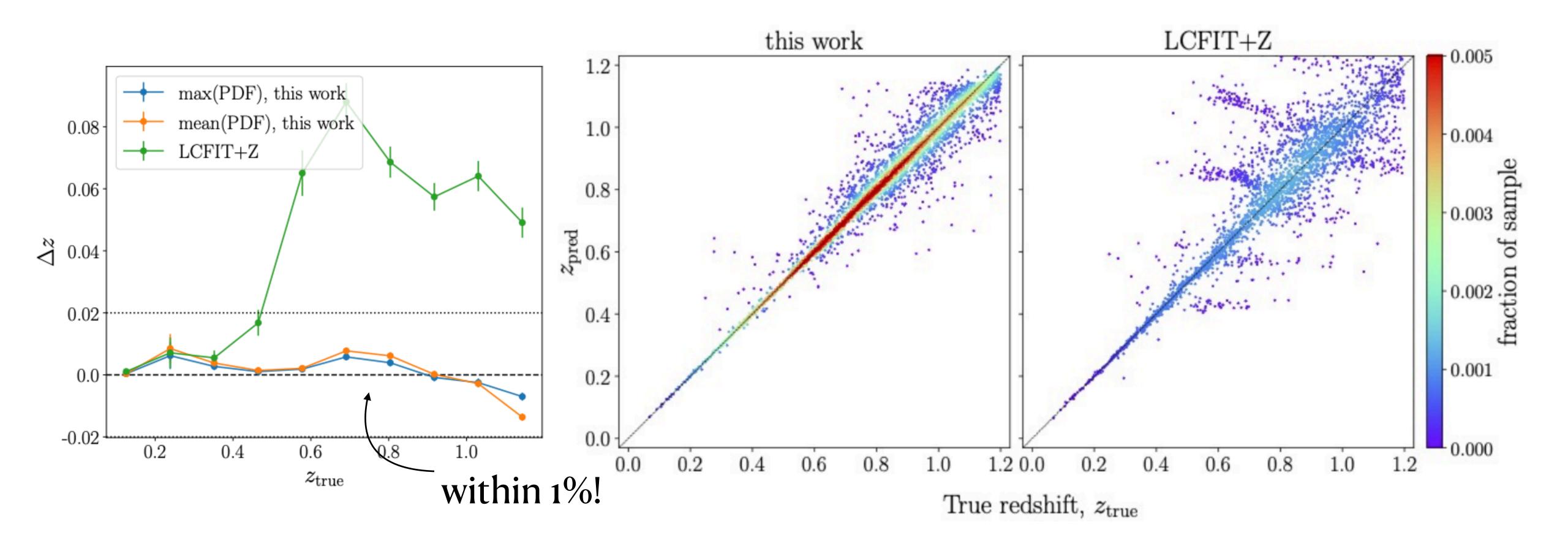






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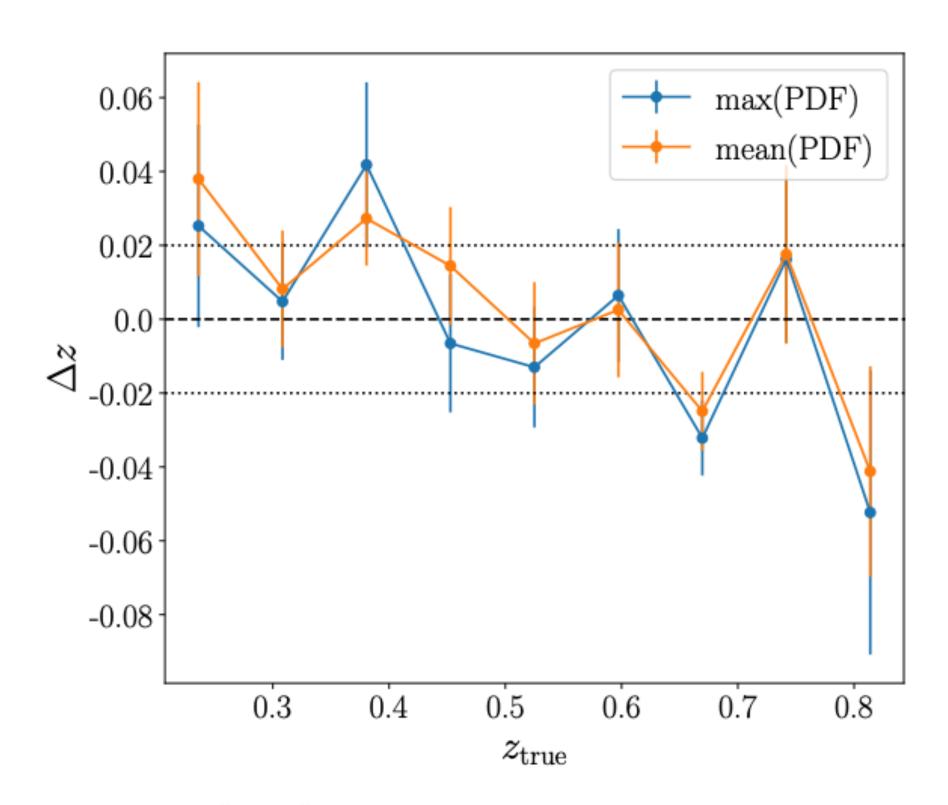
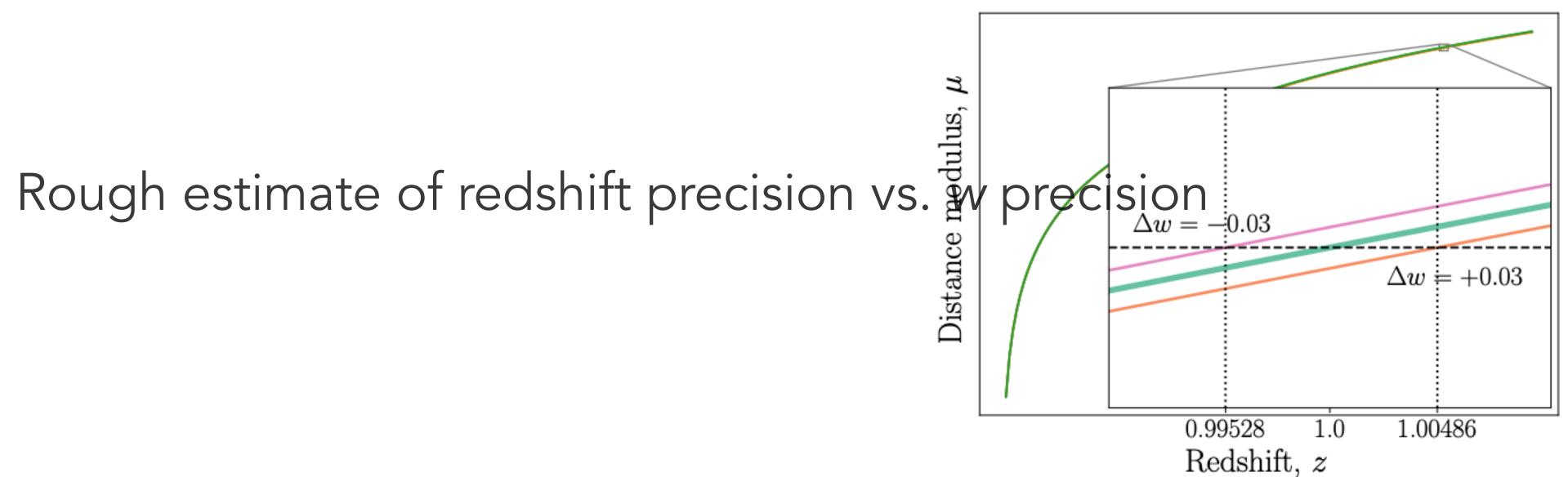


Figure 14. Mean binned residuals,  $\Delta z \equiv \frac{z_{\text{pred}} - z_{\text{true}}}{1 + z_{\text{true}}}$ , as a function of true redshift,  $z_{\text{true}}$ , for the DES3YR SNe Ia sample produced by a model trained on the PLAsTiCC dataset. The max(PDF) and mean(PDF) methods of obtaining point estimates from Photo-zSNthesis PDFs are described in §4.1.1.

## Photo-z's for Cosmology



0.01 0.005 shows we can almost constrain  $\Delta w = \pm 0.1$  $\Delta w = \pm 0.03$ -0.005 $\Delta w = \pm 0.05$ -0.01 $\Delta w = \pm 0.1$  $\Delta z(\text{PLAsTiCC})$ -0.0150.8 0.2 0.40.6 1.0 1.2 0.0 $z_{
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