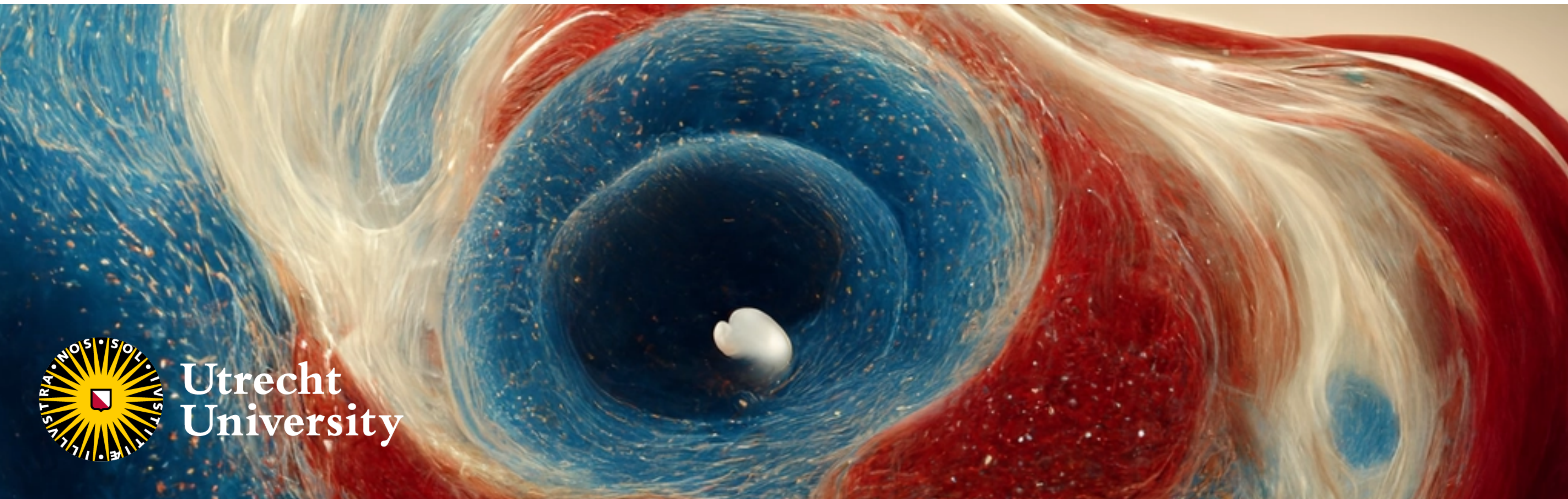


LENSING BIAS ON COSMOLOGICAL PARAMETERS FROM BRIGHT STANDARD SIRENS



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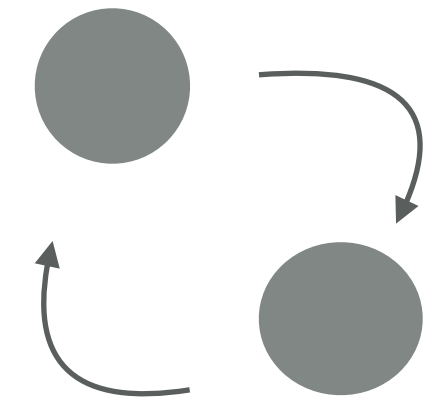
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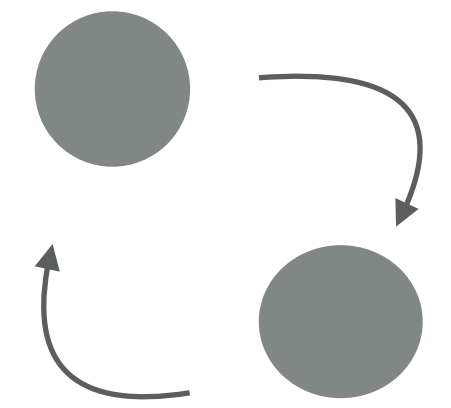


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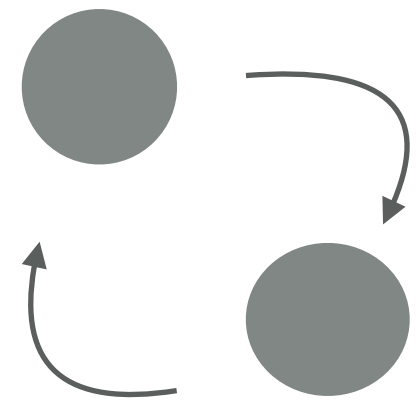
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$$d_L(z) = \frac{c(1+z)}{H_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz}{\sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{DE}(1+z)^{3(1+w_{DE})}}}$$

Einstein Telescope (ET) era?

Expected 10^5 Binary Neutron Stars merger per year, up to $z \sim 2 - 3$

([Maggiore et al. 2020](#))

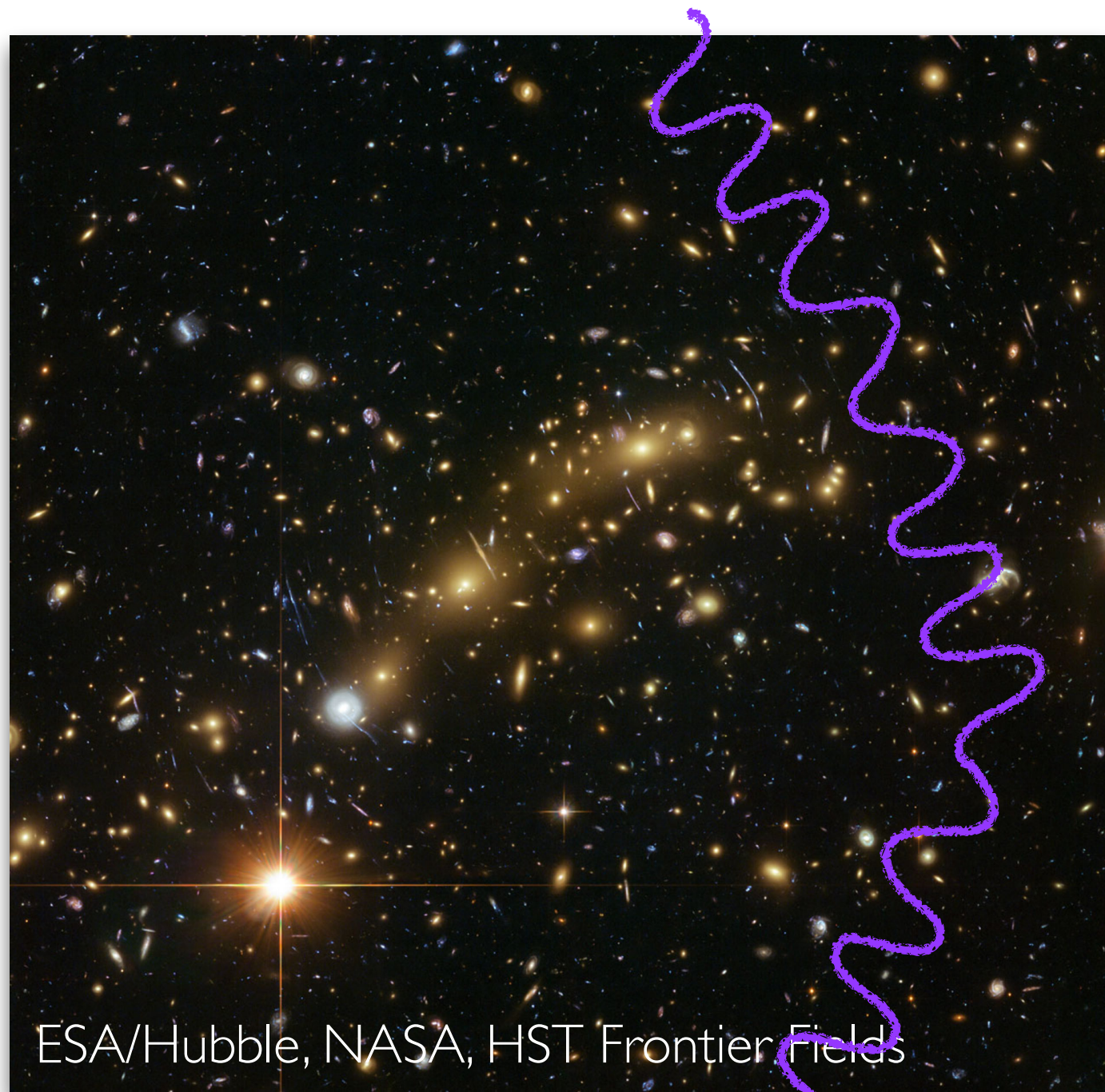


GW LENSING

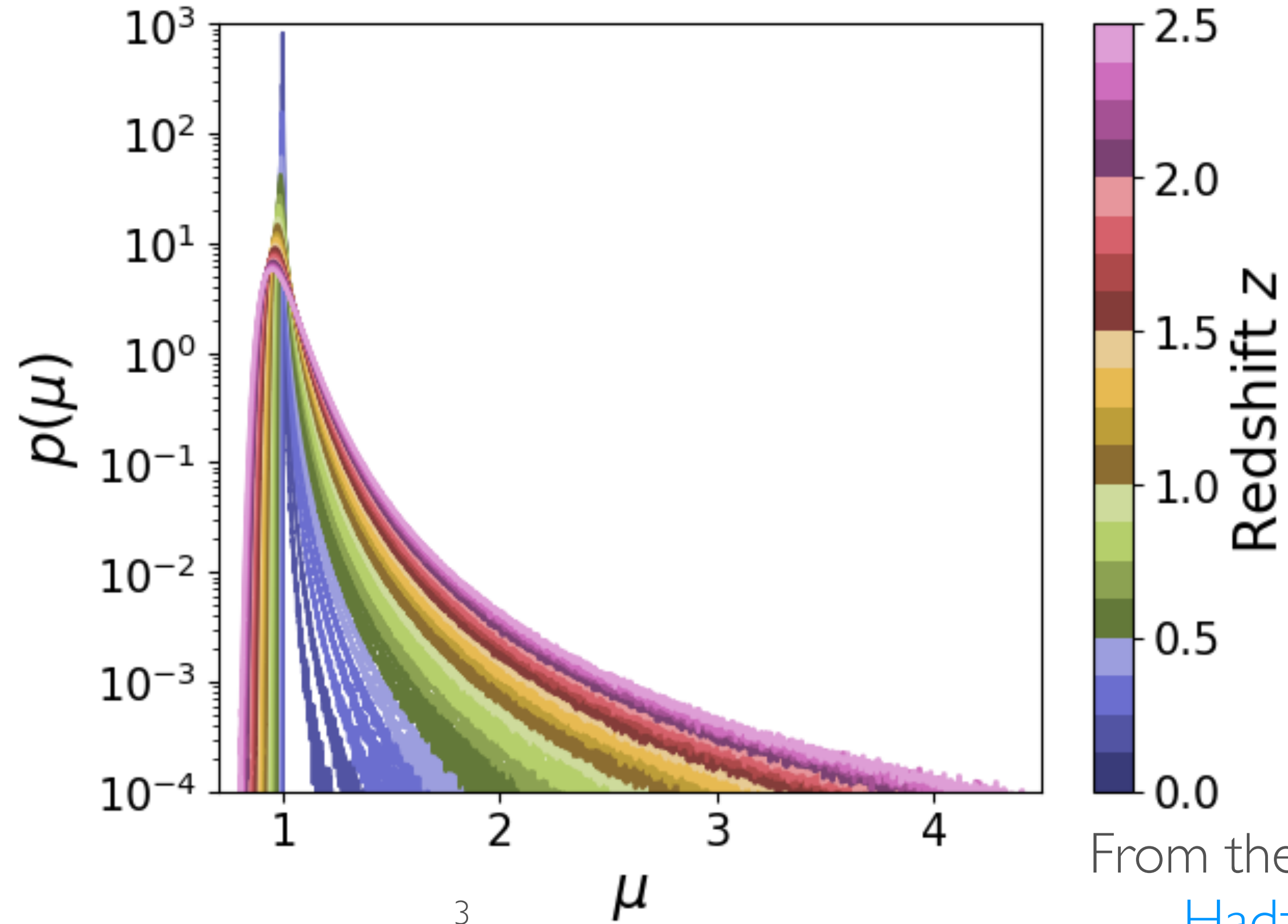
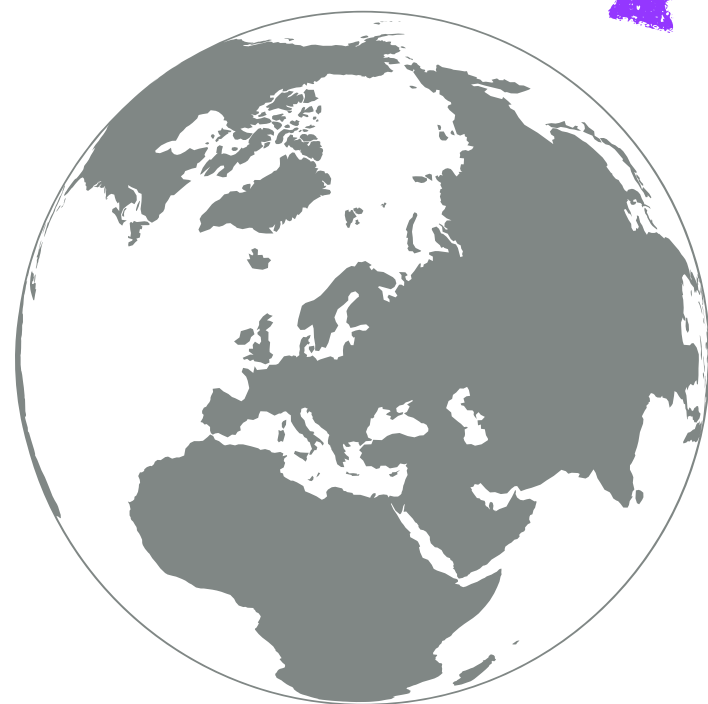
Geometric optics ($\lambda_{\text{GW}} \ll M_{\text{L}}$):

- A few events will be strongly lensed
- All events will be weakly lensed

$$d_{\text{L}}^{\text{bias}}(z, \mu) = \frac{d_{\text{L}}(z)}{\sqrt{\mu}}$$



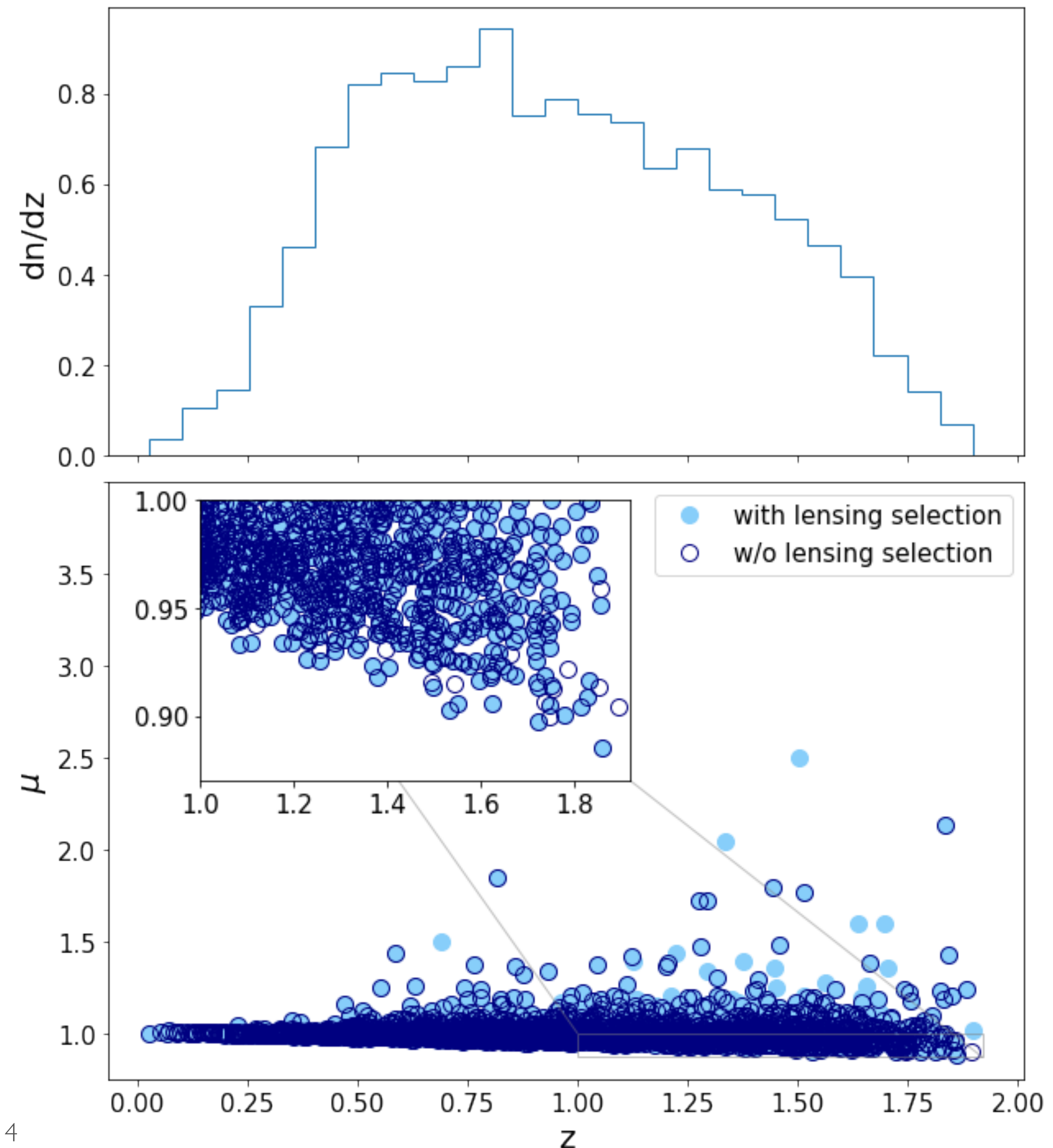
ESA/Hubble, NASA, HST Frontier Fields



From the N-body simulations of [Hadzhiyska et al. \(2023\)](#)

MOCK CATALOG

- * Draw a collection of redshifts z , masses (m_1, m_2) , angles $(\theta, \varphi, \psi, \iota)$ and lensing magnifications μ .
- * Apply a cut-off at $z_{\max} = 2$, due to EM selection effects. ([Mpetha et al. 2023](#))
- * Calculate SNR for each event, including μ (lensing selection effect) ([Cusin et al. 2019](#))




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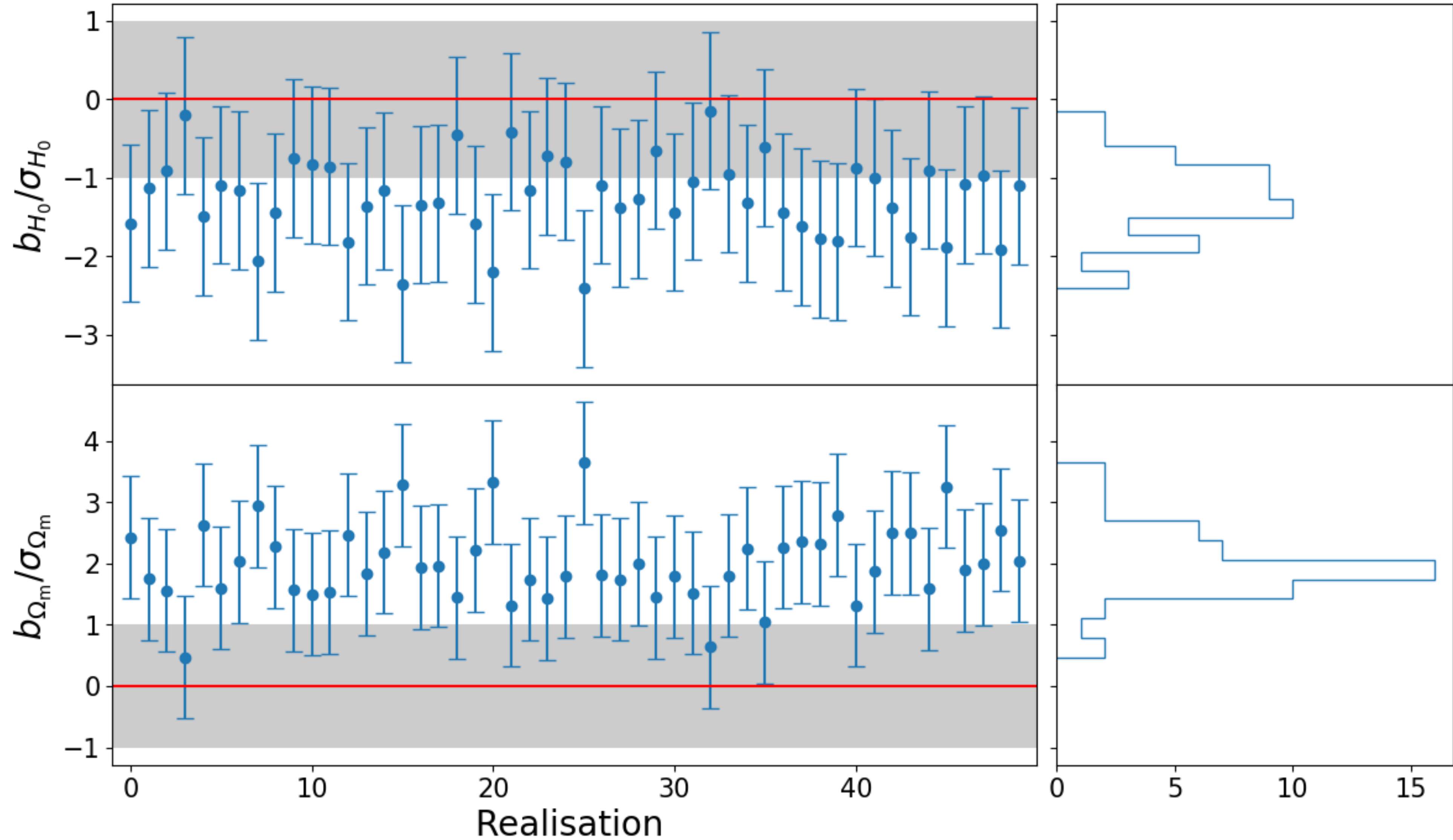

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☑ Validate the results with the full likelihood Monte Carlo Markov Chain analysis.

FIDUCIAL SCENARIO

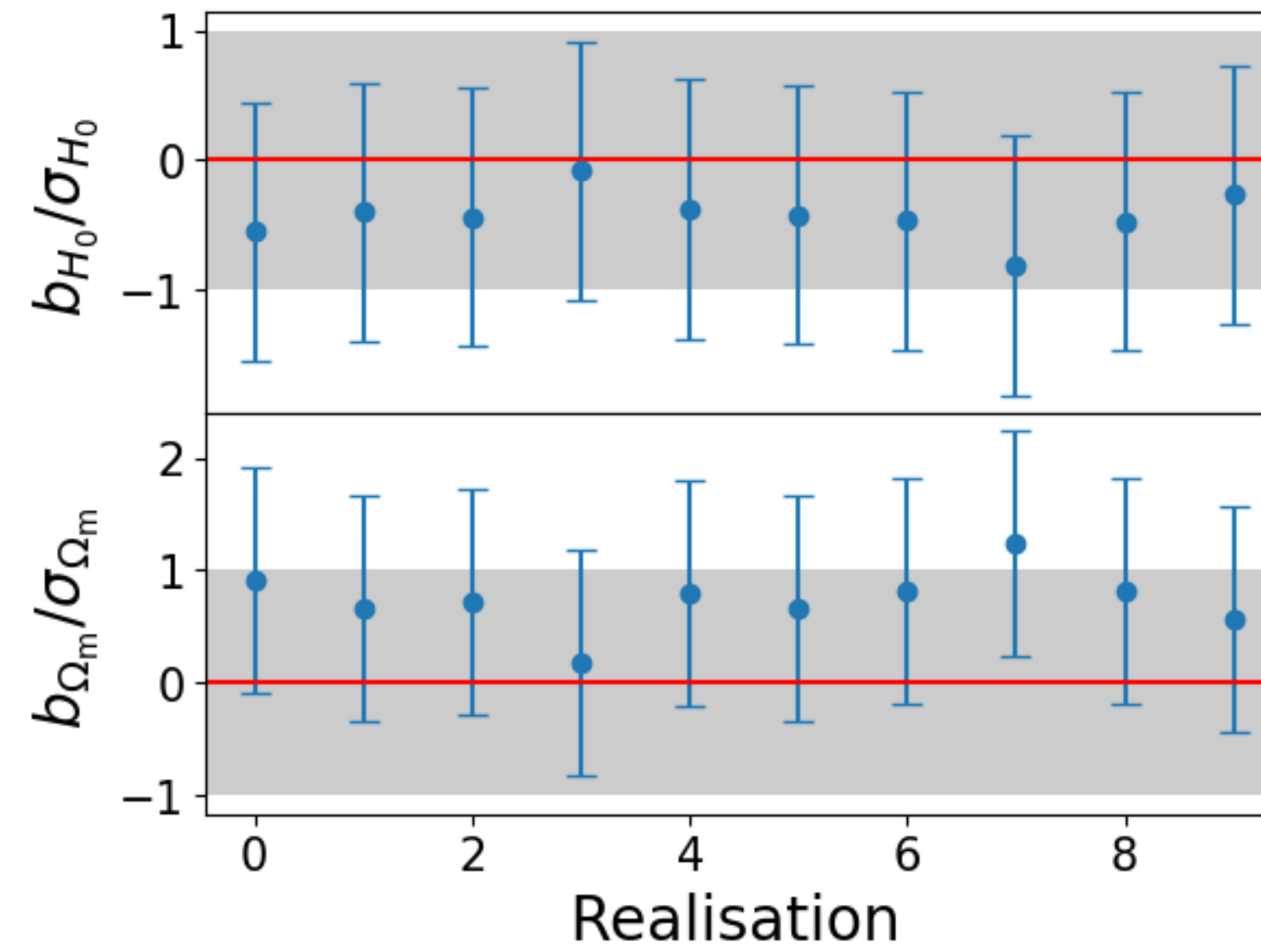
- $N_{\text{events}} = 3\,000$
- $\sigma_{\text{GW}} = 0.02d_L$
- $z_{\text{max}} = 2$
- $\rho_{\text{lim}} = 8$



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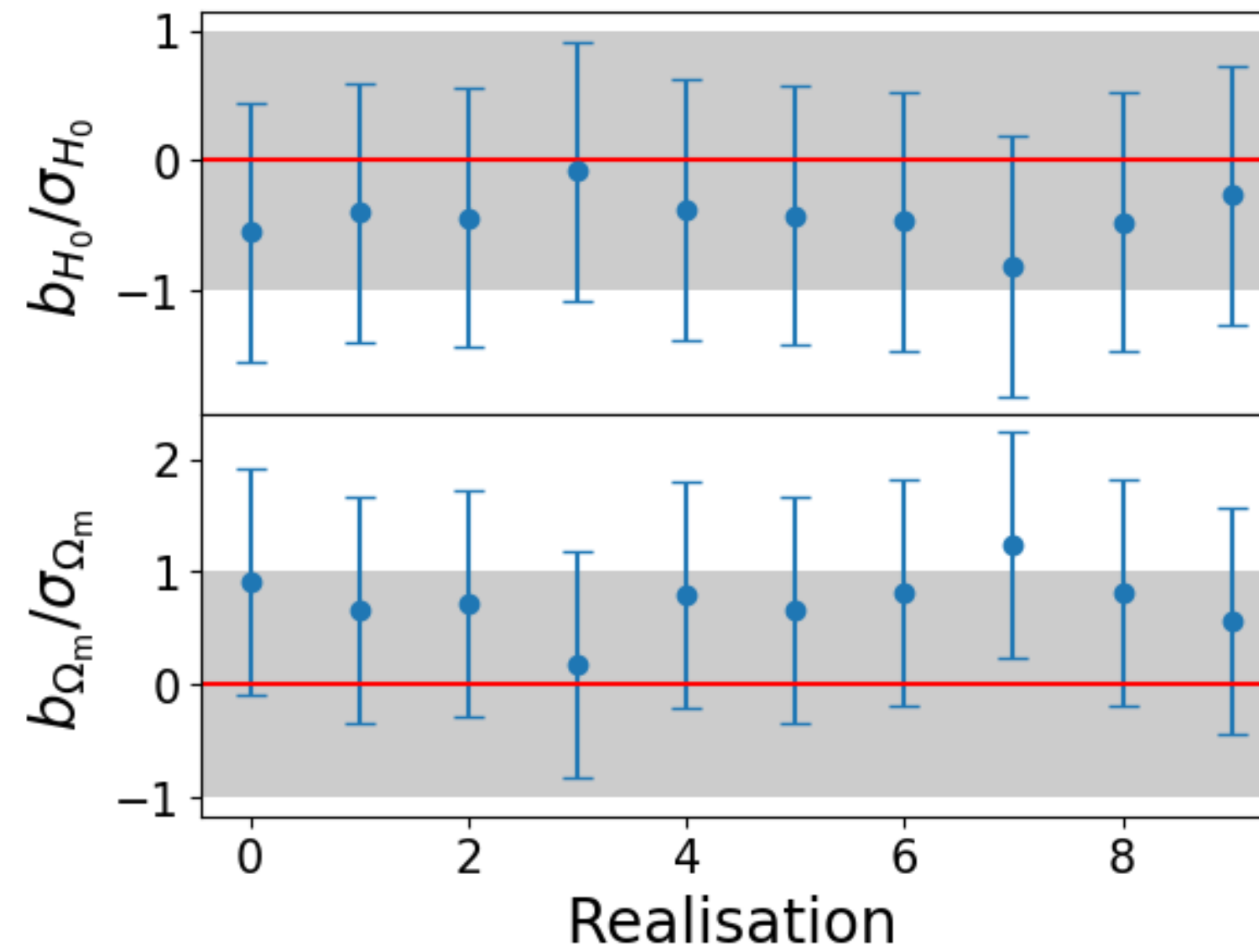
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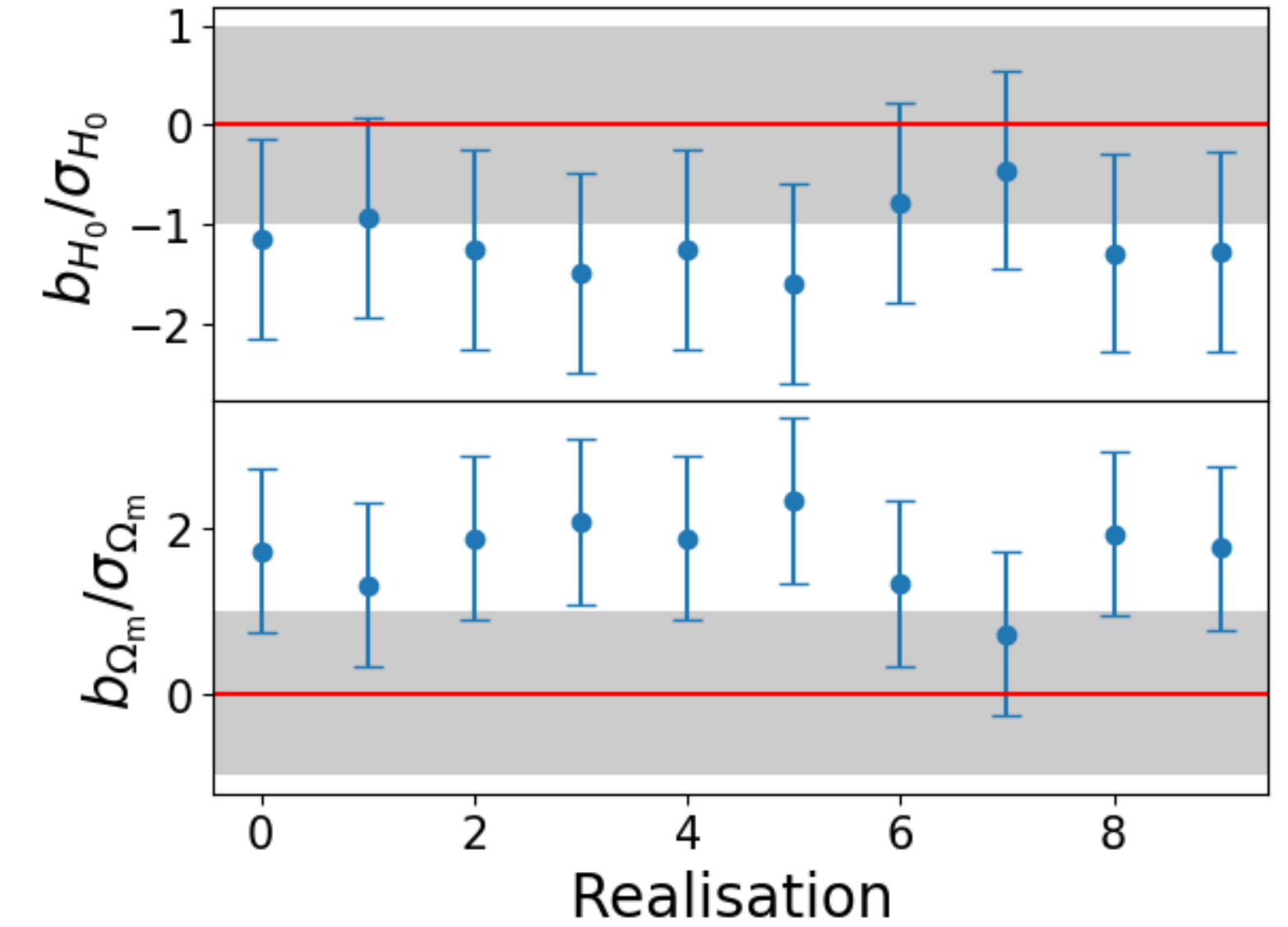
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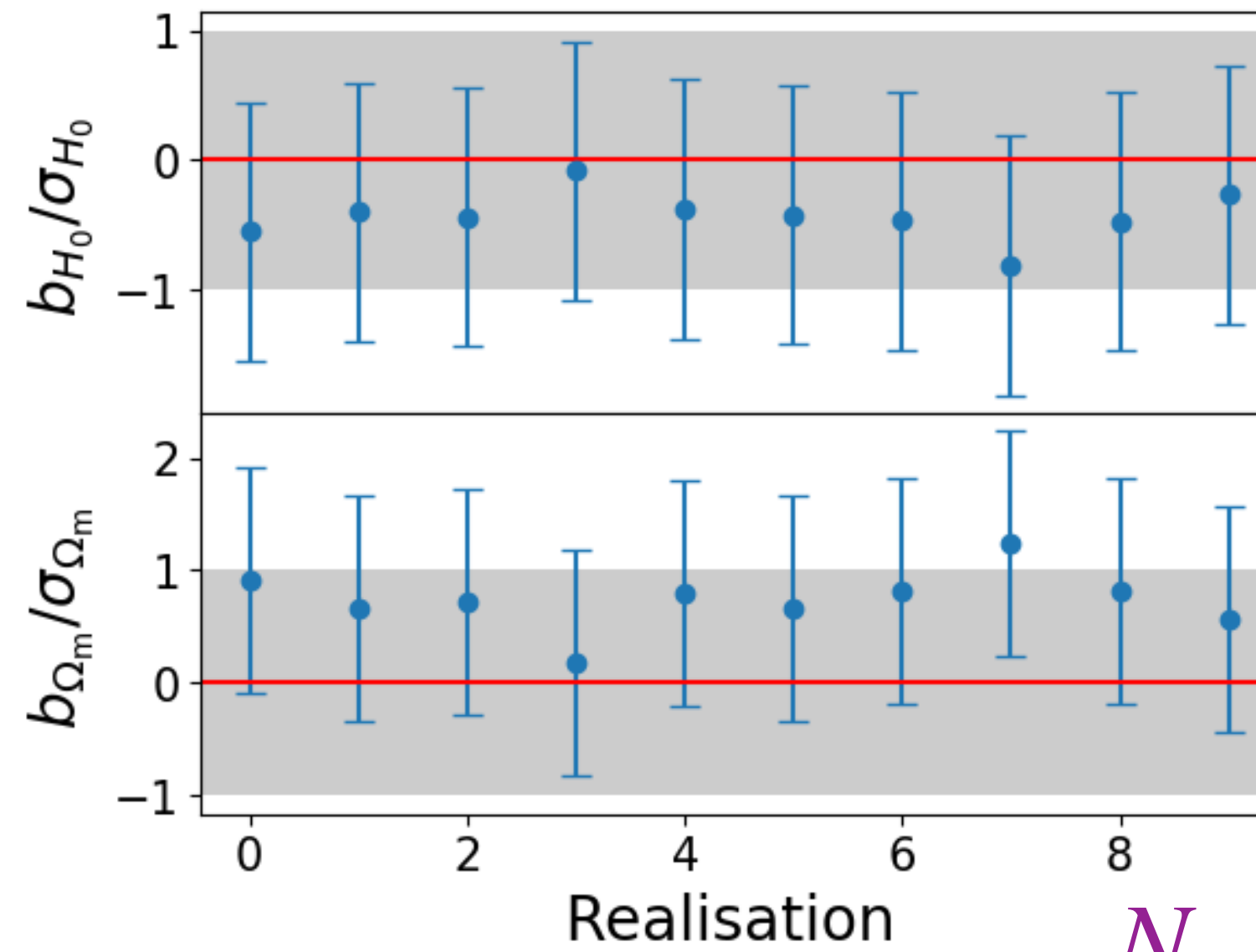
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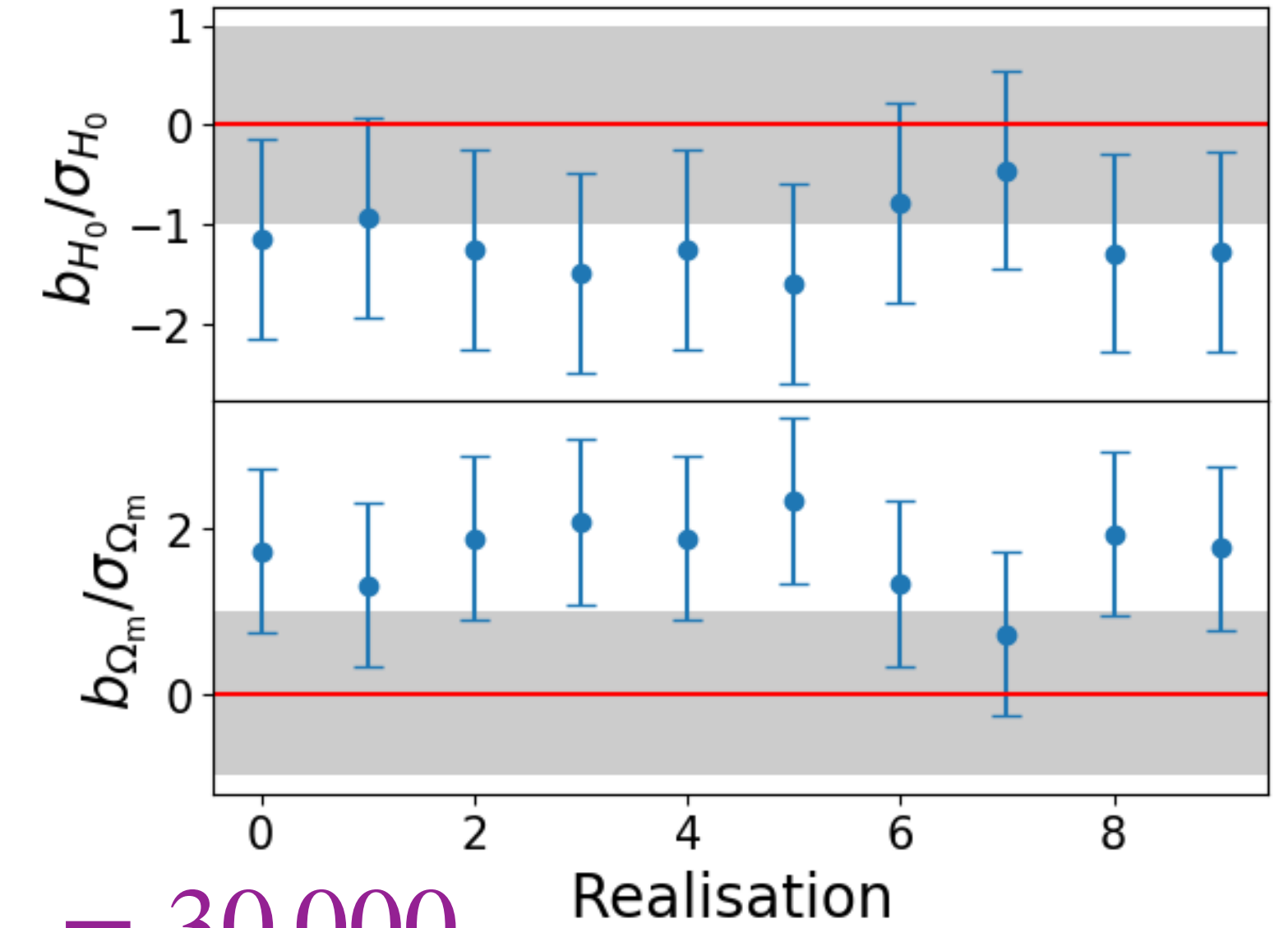
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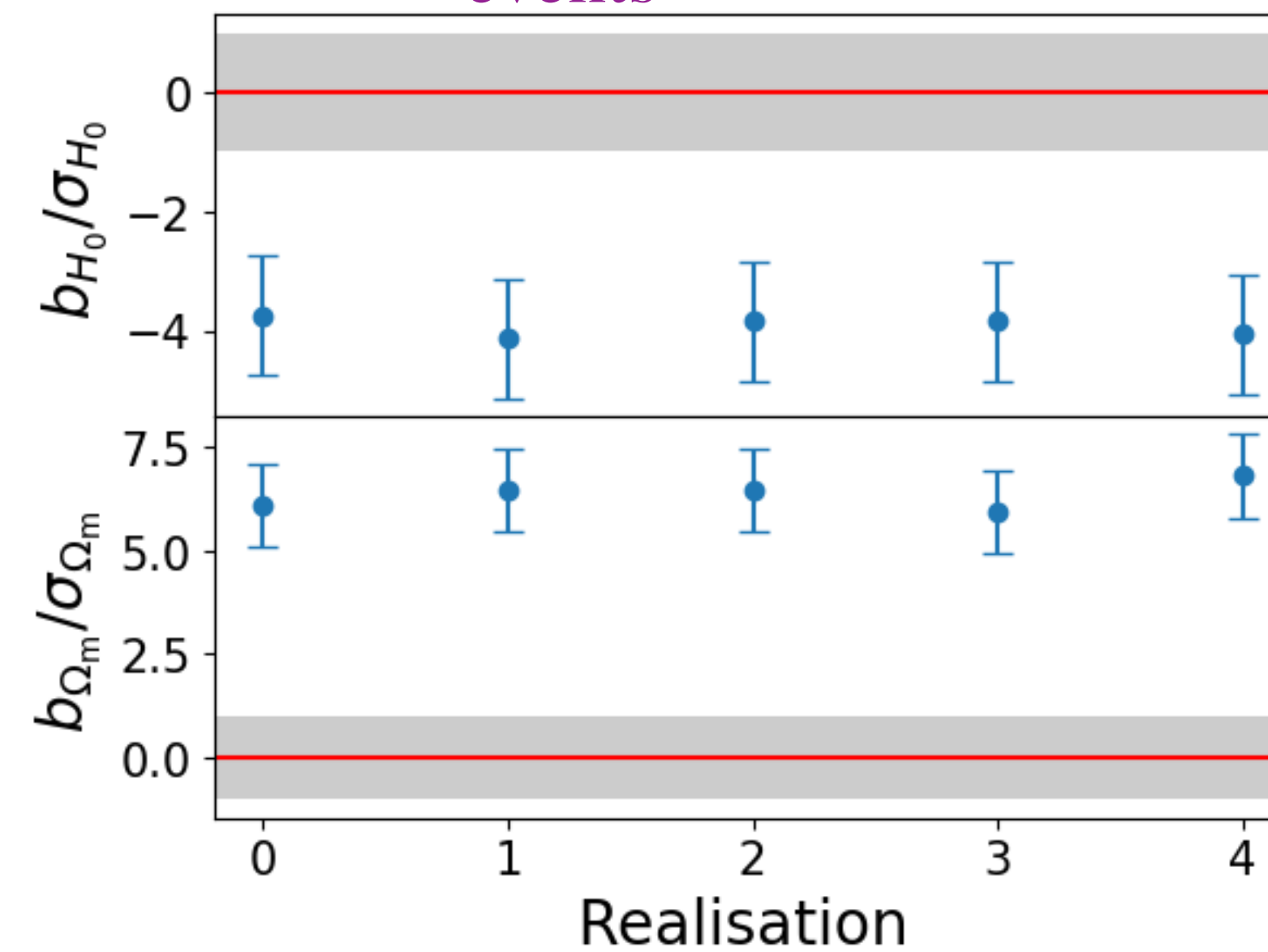
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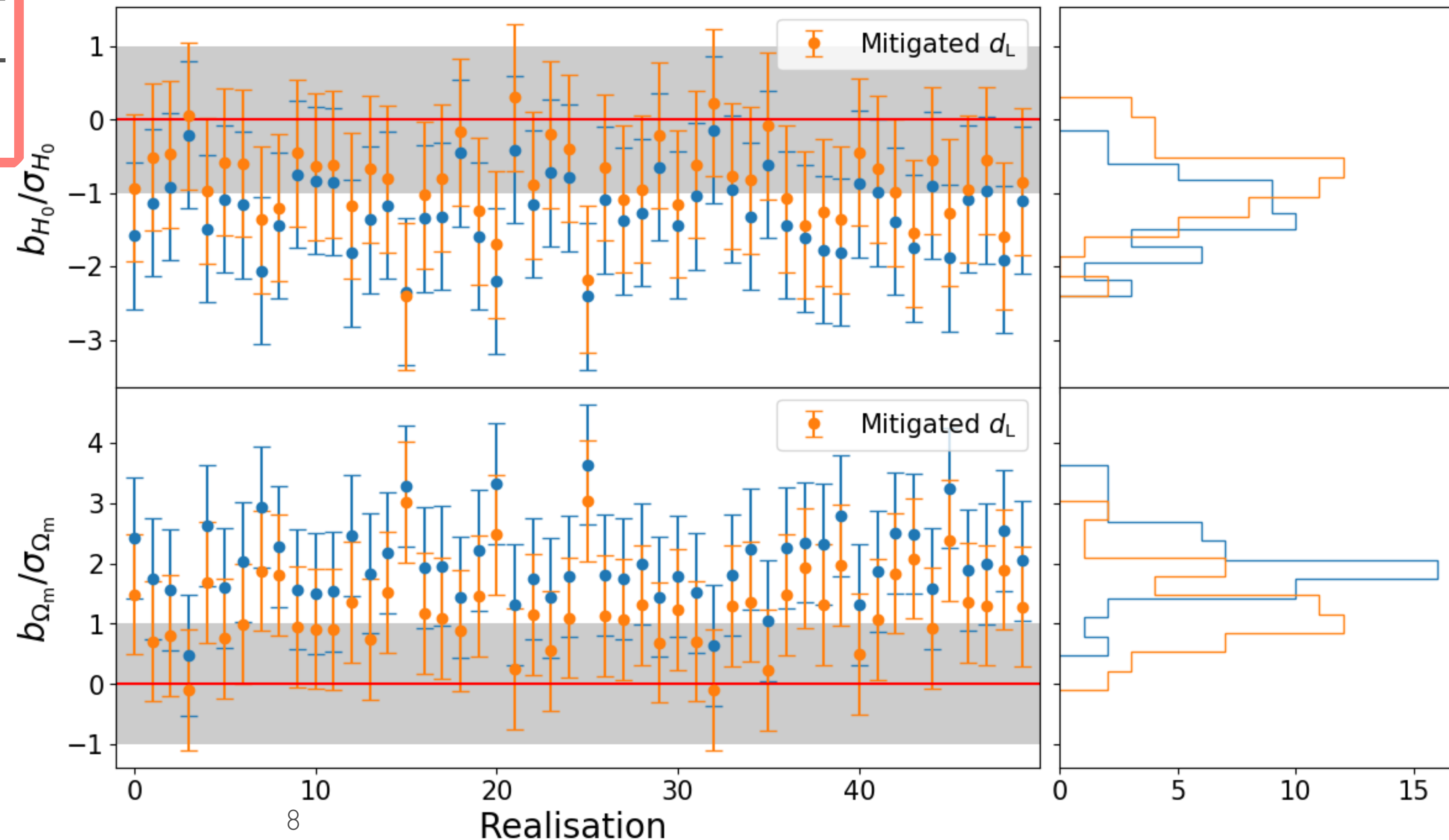
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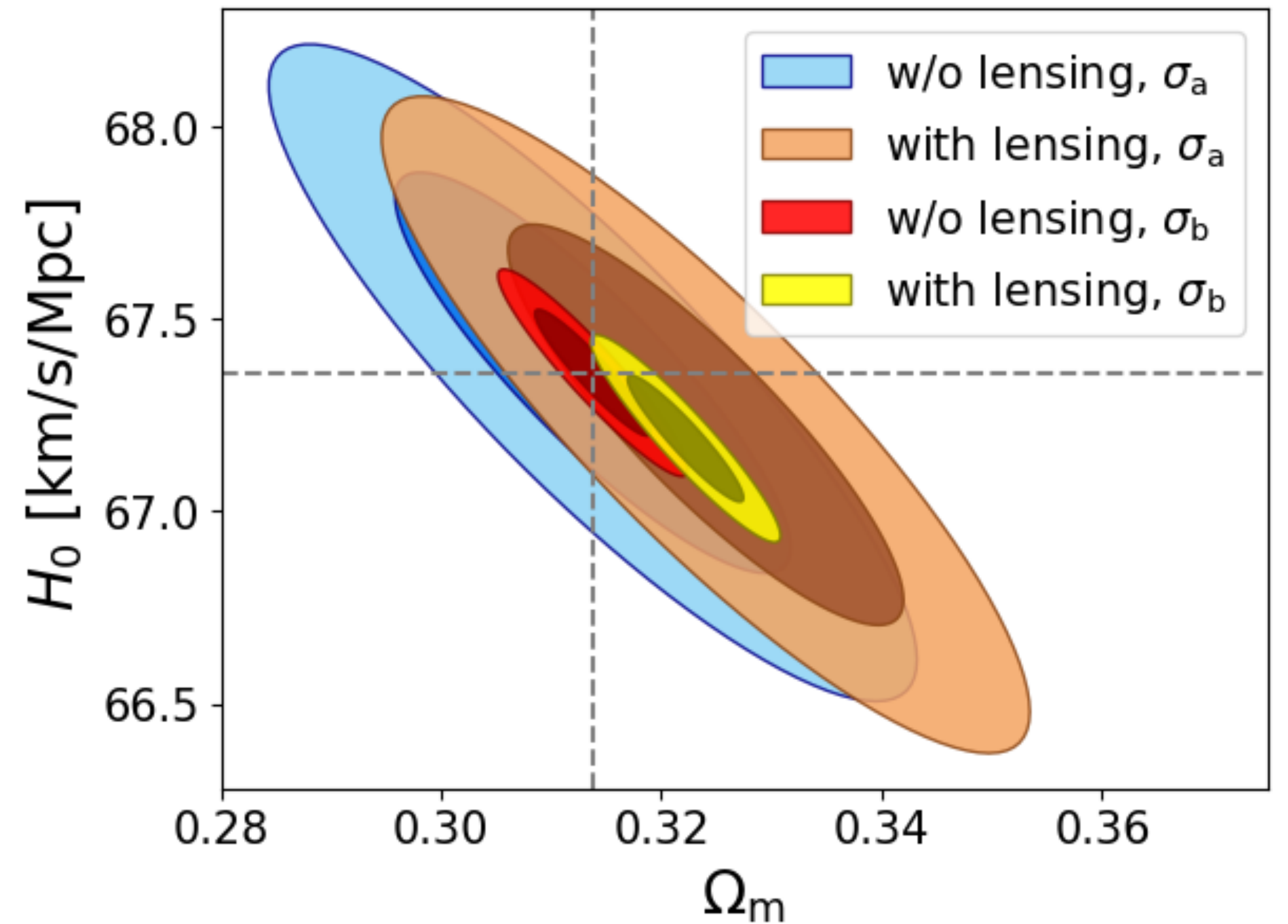
$$\sigma_{d_L}^2 = \sigma_{\text{GW}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{WL}}^2 + \left(\frac{\partial d_L}{\partial z} \right)^2 (\sigma_z^2 + \sigma_{v_{\text{pec}}}^2) \quad (\text{Mpetha et al. 2023})$$

With:

$$\sigma_z = 0.001(1 + z)$$

$$\sigma_{v_{\text{pec}}} = \sqrt{\langle v_{\text{pec}}^2 \rangle} (1 + z) / c$$

$$\sigma_{\text{WL}} = 0.066 \left(\frac{1 - (1 + z)^{-0.25}}{0.25} \right)^{1.8} d_L$$



$$\sigma_a = 2d_L / \rho$$

$$\sigma_b = 0.02d_L$$

REDSHIFT DISTRIBUTION

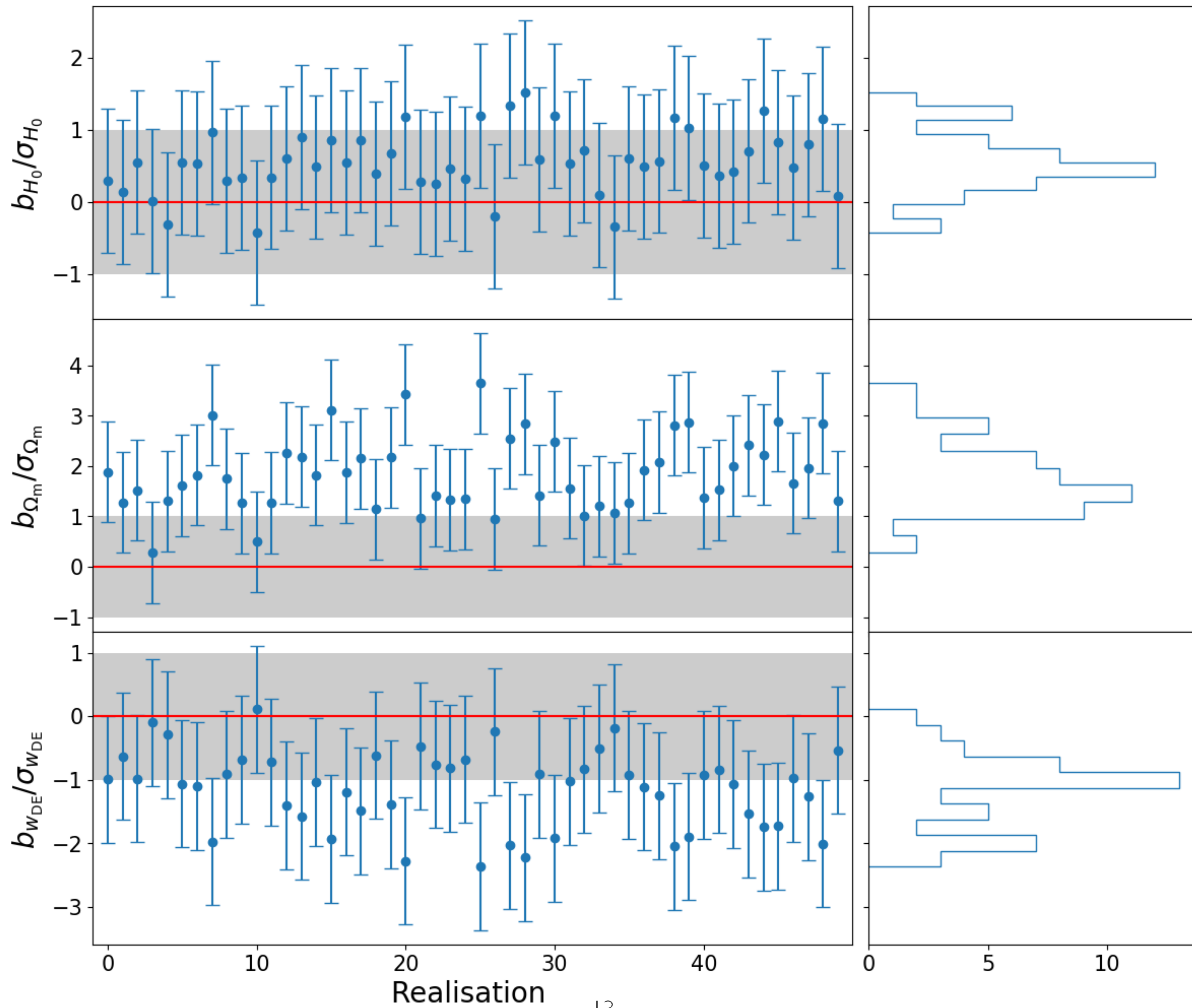
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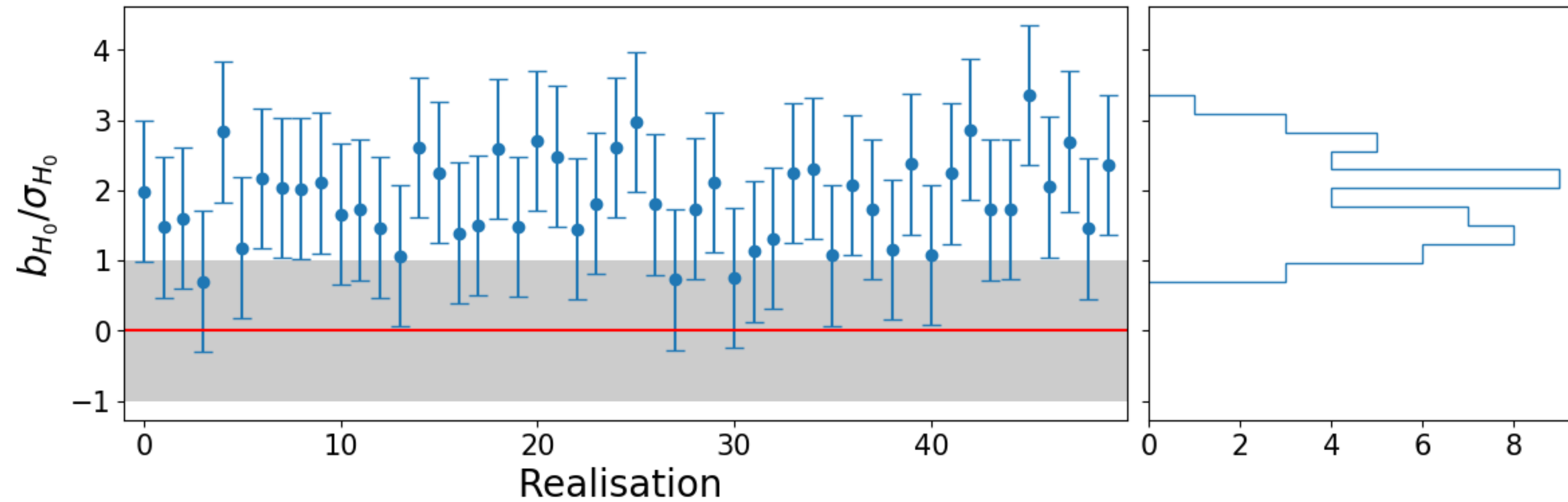
$$p^{(\text{th})}(z) = \frac{1}{1+z} \frac{4\pi c \chi^2(z)}{H(z)} \int_{t_d^{\text{MIN}}}^{t_d^{\text{MAX}}} dt_d \Psi(z_f(z, t_d)) \times \left(\log \left(\frac{t_d^{\text{MAX}}}{t_d^{\text{MIN}}} \right) t_d \right)^{-1}$$

$$f(z) = \frac{0.9}{2} \left(1 - \tanh \left(\frac{z - z_{\text{pivot}}}{w z_{\text{pivot}}} \right) \right), \quad w = \frac{z_{\text{max}} - z_{\text{pivot}}}{2z_{\text{max}}}$$

([Mpetha et al. 2023](#))



Assuming Ω_m is perfectly known



AbacusSummit suite of N-body simulations by [Hadzhiyska et al. \(2023\)](#)

Base box:

- Box of **2 Gpc/h**, mass resolution $2.1 \cdot 10^9 h^{-1} M_{\odot}$
- Coverage of an octant of the sky, up to $z \sim 0.8$ then reduced to **1800 deg²**
- 47 maps of the convergence fields κ ranging from $z = 0.15$ to $z = 2.45$
- Pixel resolution of **0.21 arcmin**

Following [Takahashi et al. 2011](#):

$$\mu = \frac{1}{(1 - \kappa)^2}$$