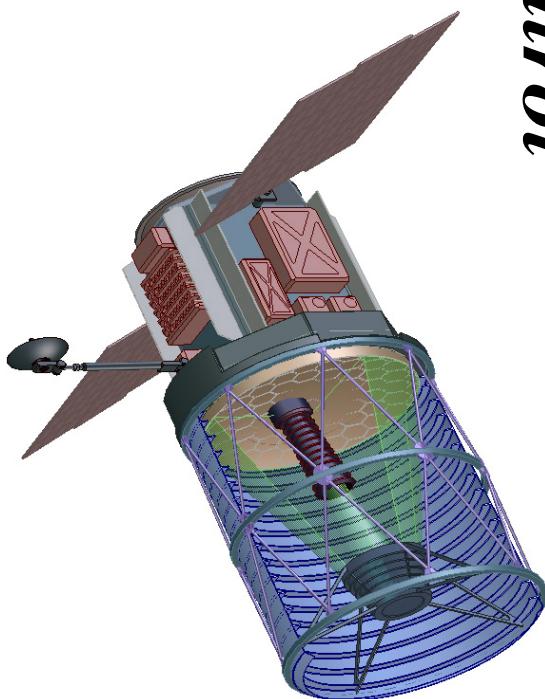


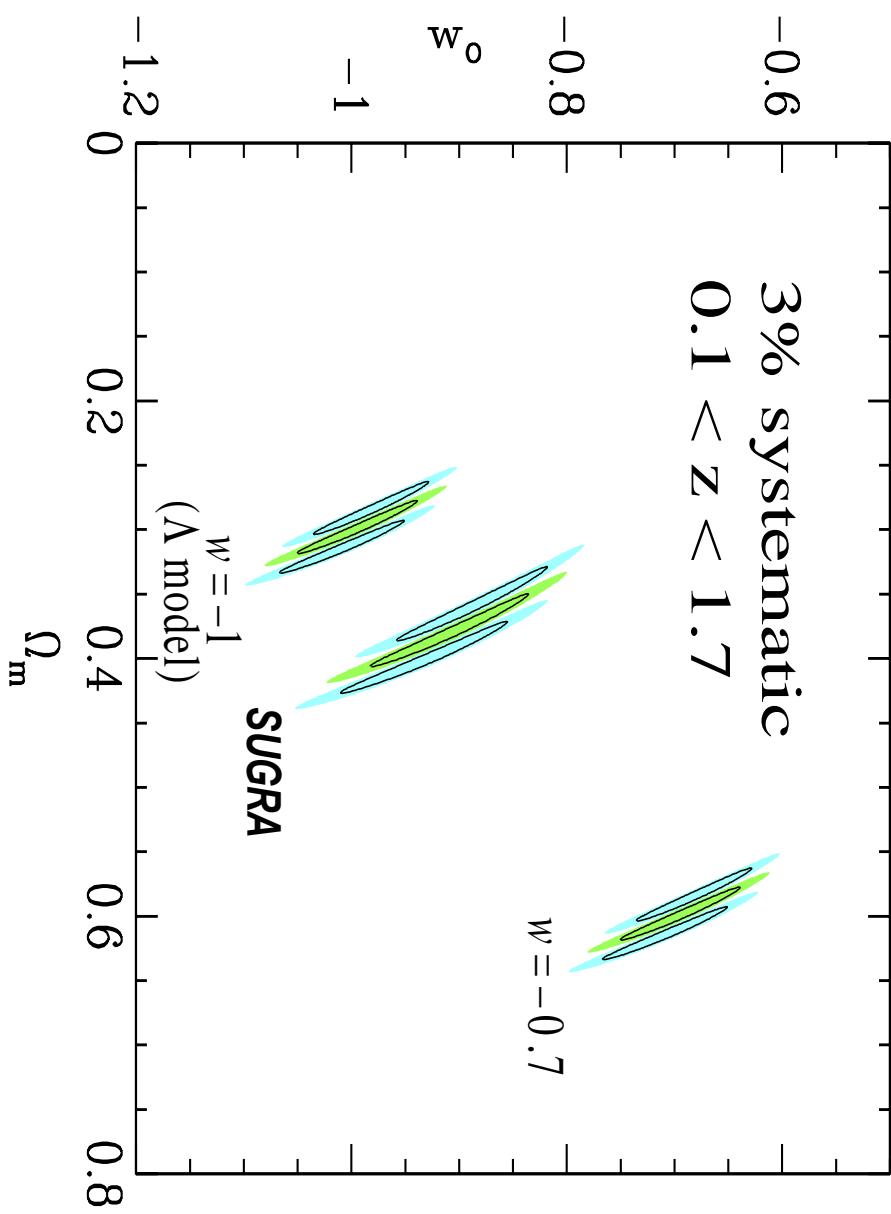


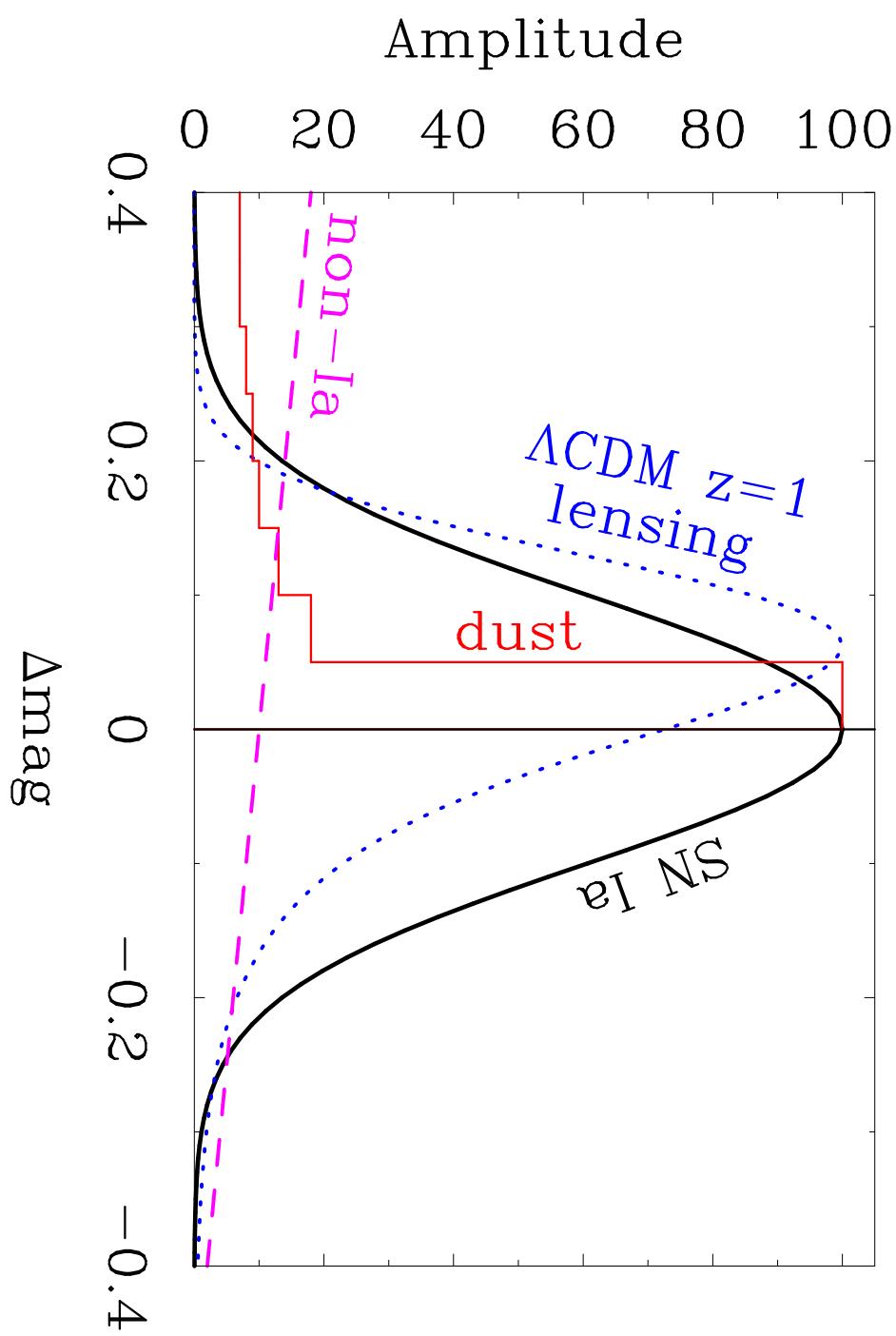
SNAP Systematics Control



- Introduction to cosmology/SN systematics
- On-going work to constrain systematics
- Derived requirements for SNAP systematics goals
- Comparison with other current & future facilities

Importance of Systematic Uncertainties for $m - z$ Test





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What are the Systematics?

Known Systematics

- Astrophysics
- Data Reduction
- Data Analysis

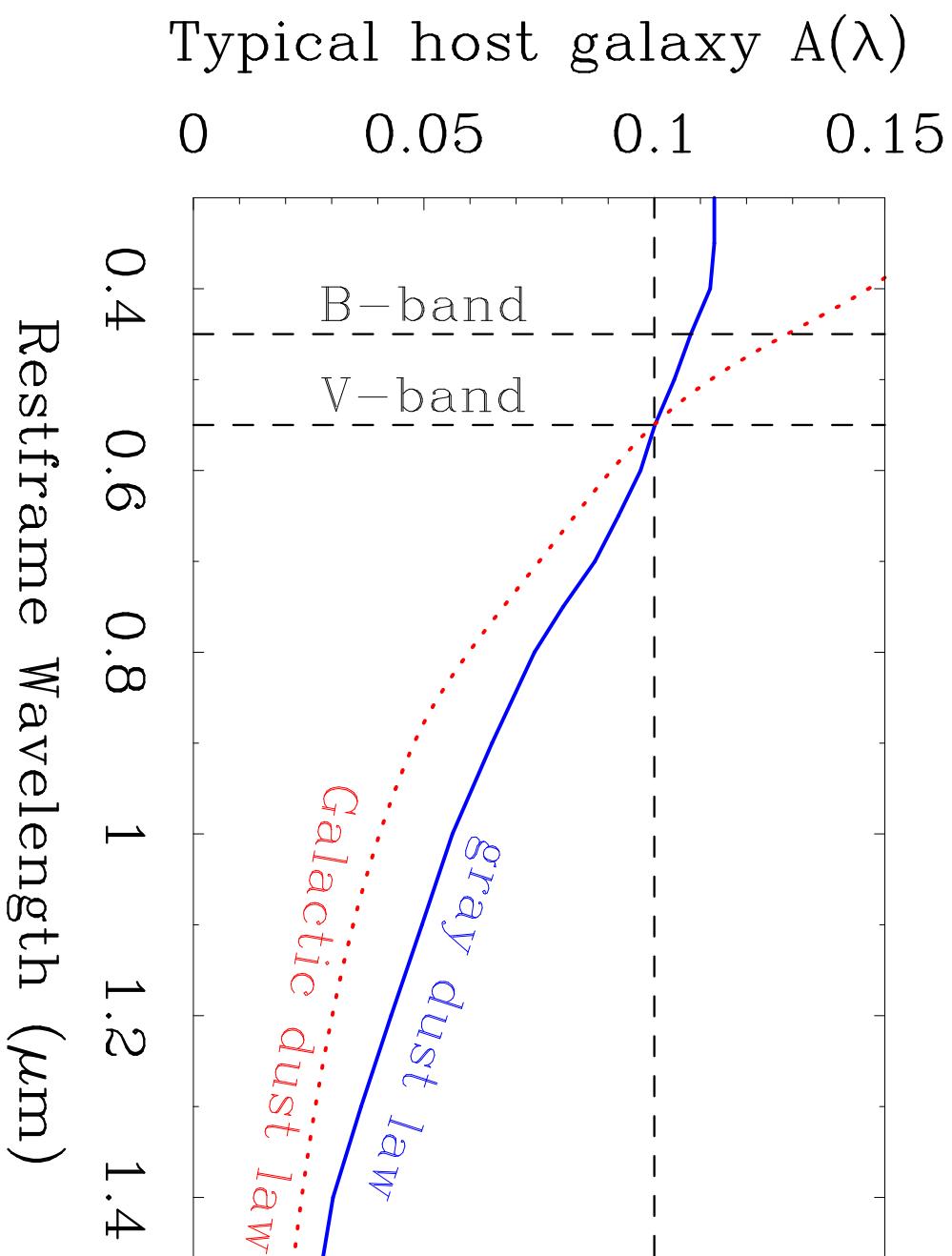
Possible Systematics

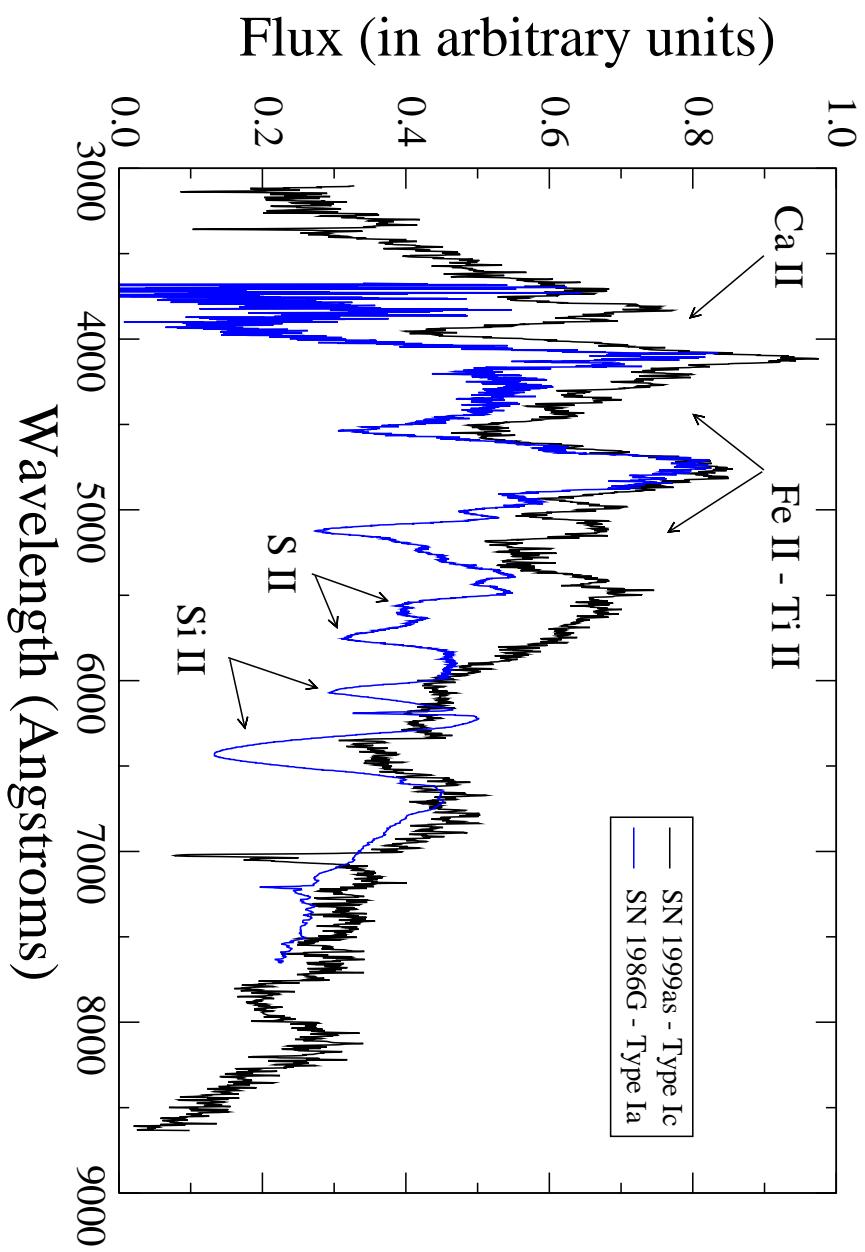
- Astrophysics
 - intergalactic dust
 - supernova “evolution”



Known Astrophysical Systematics

- Differing Host-Galaxy Extinction Laws
 - host metallicity, star-formation history, hot gas
- Gravitational Lensing De/Amplification
 - cosmology & structure formation; increases with redshift
- Contamination by non-Type Ia SNe
 - star formation history; increases with redshift







Data Reduction Systematics

- Flat-Fielding
 - color dependence, scattered light, fringing
- Cross-Wavelength Flux Calibration
 - dependent on spectrophotometric standard stars
- Variable Image Quality (Point-Spread-Function)
 - temporal & spatial stability & uniformity
- Flux Linearity
 - detector linearity, flux weighting, sky & galaxy subtraction
- Photometric Fidelity
 - CTE, pixel MTF, sampling, dithering pattern

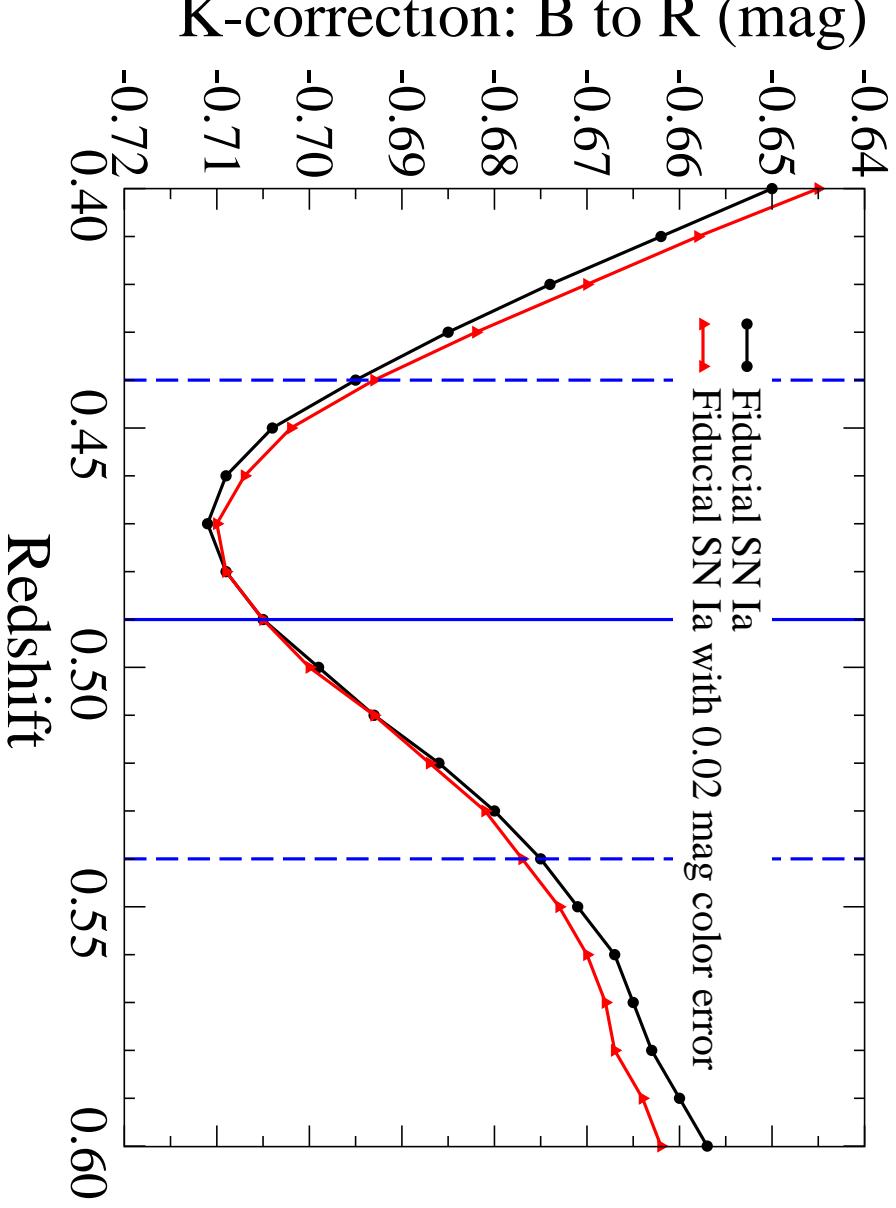


Data Analysis Systematics

- Malmquist Bias for Flux-Limited Sample
 - scales as covariance between discovery and peak
 - large for near-peak discovery (2% - 10%)
 - volume-limit ideal, but thwarted by extinction;
 - therefore, find SNe well **before peak** to reduce covariance
- Cross-Filter K-corrections
 - dominated by spectral slope — SN features minor
 - redshift-matched filters w/ overlap reduce interpolation
 - spectral time series as templates
- Correlated Parameters & Correlated Uncertainties
 - e.g. observed peak brightness & stretch can be correlated
 - scales with N_{SNe}^2 , and as power of # parameters



$B(z)$ filters w/ $\Delta z \sim 0.1$ bound K-correction errors



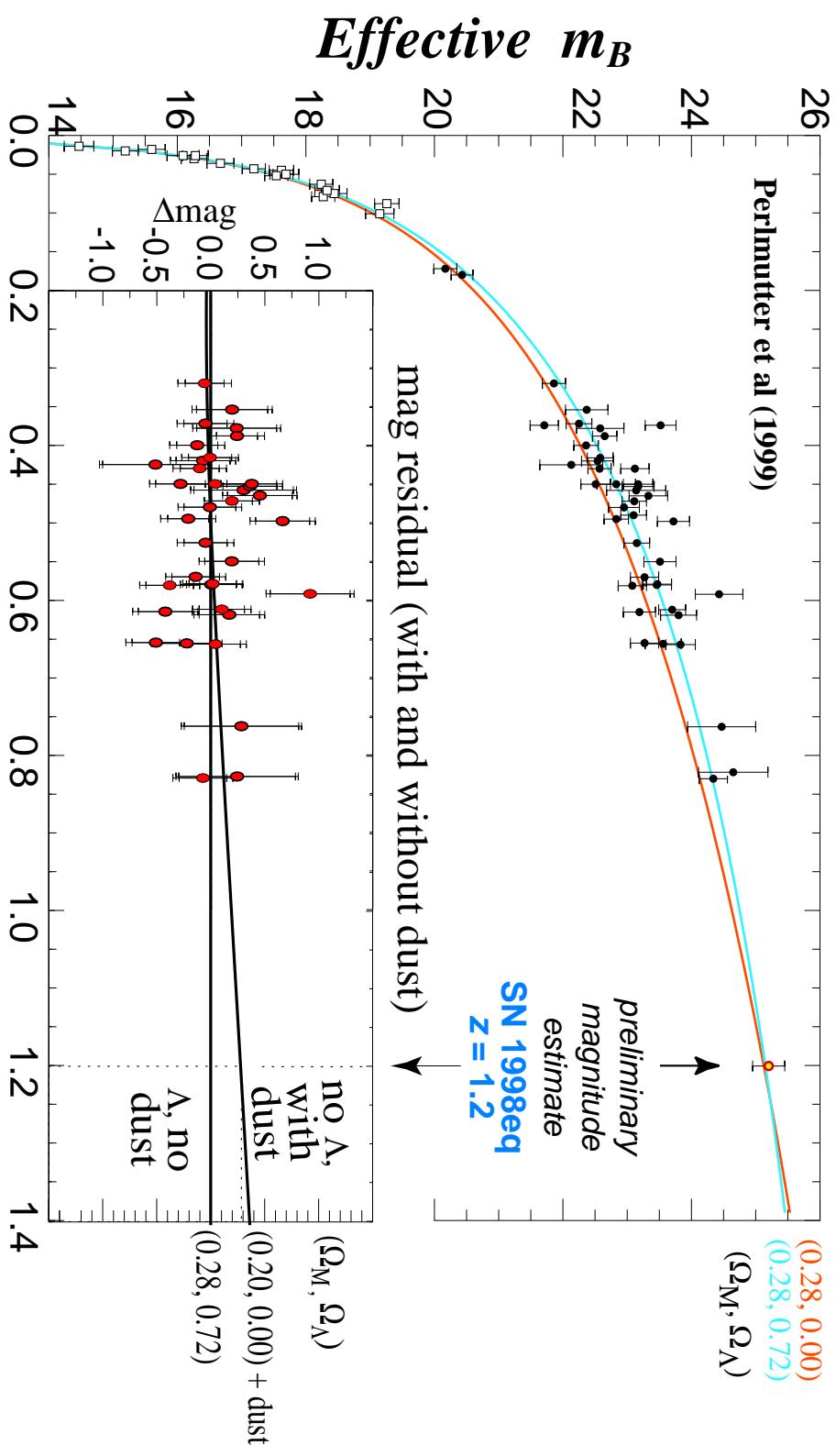


Past & On-going Work on (Gray) Dust Extinction

- $z = 1.2$ SN Ia prefers no intergalactic-dust cosmology
- Restframe $B - I$ color curve for $z = 0.5$ SN Ia
- Multiple QSO images seen through lensing galaxies
- Resolve far-infrared background into sources (*dust glows*)
- Nearby Supernova Factory / SCP high- z (*Ia & II*)



High-Redshift SN probes Cosmology vs. Dust/Evolution



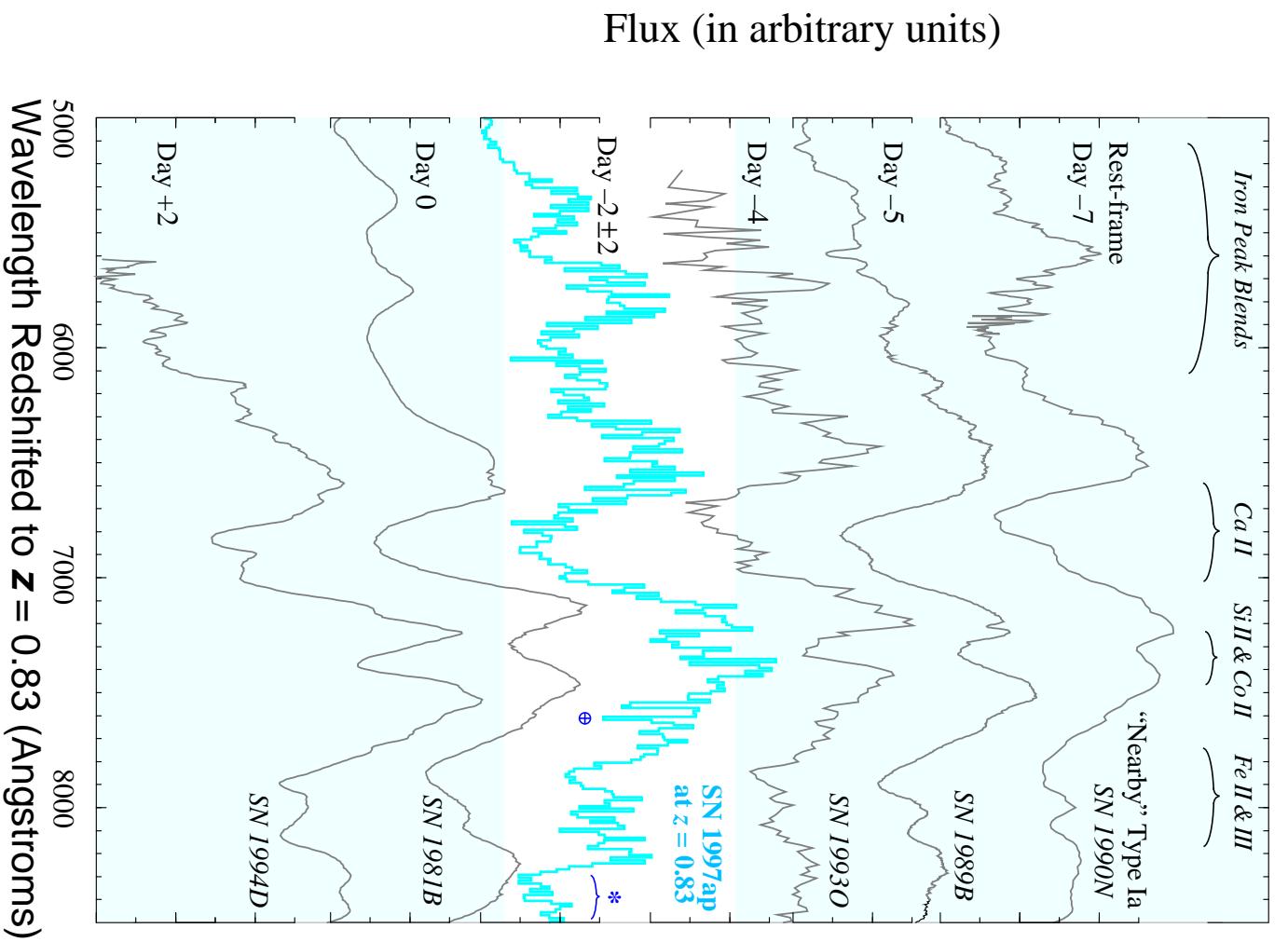


Past & On-going Work on “Evolution”

- Risetime comparison (high- z & low- z consistent)
- Spectral comparisons
- SCP nearby SNe
(18 Ia w/ multi-color lightcurves & spectral time series)
- Nearby Supernova Factory
(emphasis on wide range of environments/parameters)
- SCP (STIS spectroscopy) & High-Z high- z SNe

Supernova 1997ap at $z = 0.83$

Perlmutter, et al., Nature (1998)



Control of Evolution Systematics: Matching Supernovae

**Supernova Host Galaxy's
Star Formation History**

SN Progenitor Stars:

- progenitor mass
- heavy element abundance
- binary star system parameters
- white dwarf's carbon/oxygen ratio

SN Physical Properties:

- Amount of Nickel fused in explosion
- Distribution of Nickel
- Opacity of atmosphere's inner layers
- Kinetic energy of the explosion
- Metallicity

SN Observables

- Spectral feature widths & minima
- Spectral feature ratios
- Lightcurve rise time
- Lightcurve stretch
- Lightcurve plateau level

Galaxy Observables

- Color vs. luminosity
- Absorption/emission lines
- 4000 Å break
- Galaxy morphology
- SN location in host galaxy



Spectrum & Lightcurve Reveal Explosion Initial Conditions

Observables	^{56}Ni Mass	^{56}Ni Distribution	Kinetic Energy	Opacity	Metal- licity
Spectral feature minima	○	—	●	○	●
Spectral feature widths	○	—	●	○	●
Spectral feature Ratios	●	—	○	○	●
Lightcurve Stretch	●	○	○	●	—
Lightcurve Rise Time	●	●	○	○	○
Lightcurve Peak/Tail	○	—	○	●	—

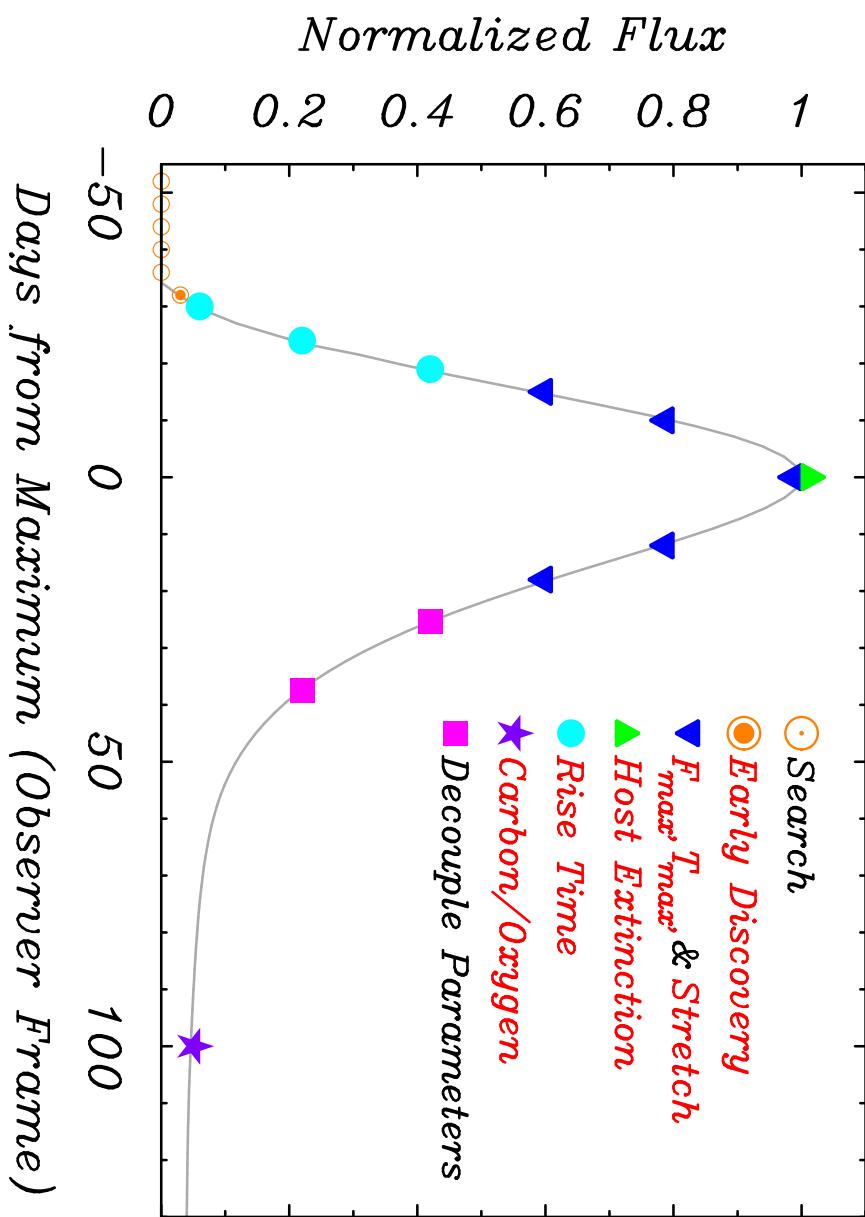
- = directly related to model parameter
 - = indirectly related to model parameter
- = slightly related to or no relation to the model parameter

SNAP will measure all of these Observables

pre-cursor SNfactory will provide calibration

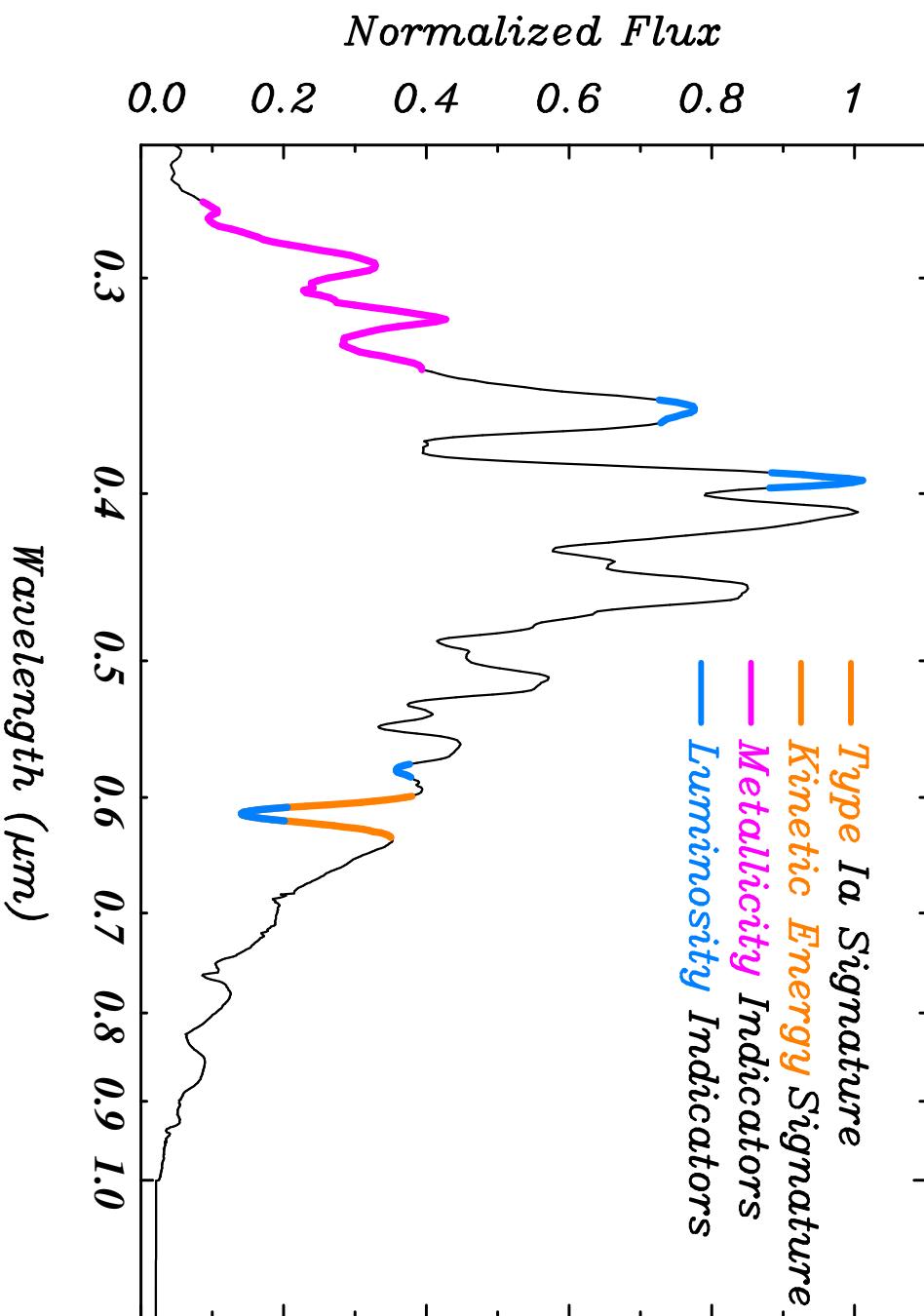


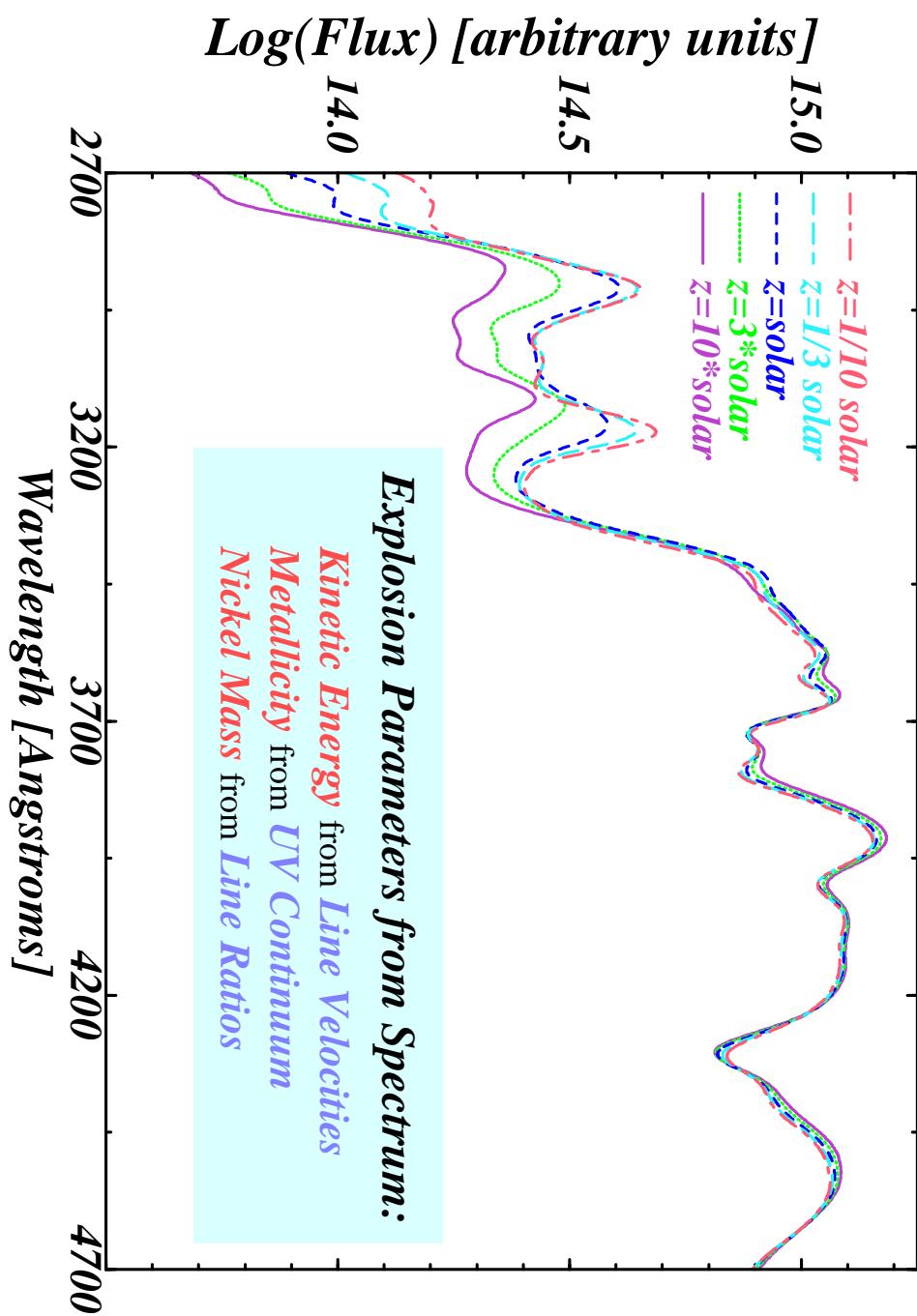
B–band Lightcurve Photometry for $z = 0.8$ Type I α





Type Ia Spectral Features







Accuracy to Measure Explosion Initial Conditions

Spectrum Observables X	$\partial M_{peak}/\partial X$ (rest frame)	Requirement for $m_{sys} < 0.02$
Feature minima	0.04/500 km/s	250 km/s
Feature widths	0.03/1200 km/s	500 km/s
Feature Ratios	0.12 (@ B), -0.75 (@ $\lambda = 3000\text{\AA}$), 1.5 (@ $\lambda = 6150\text{\AA}$)	5%

Light Curve Observables X	$\partial M_{peak}/\partial X$ (rest frame)	Requirement for $m_{sys} < 0.02$
Stretch	0.10/5%	1%
Rise Time	0.07/1 day	0.3 days
Peak to tail ratio	0.05/0.2 mag	0.05 mag



Derived Requirements to Control Systematic Uncertainties

First convert Systematic into Statistical Uncertainties

Systematic	Requirement to satisfy 2%
Data reduction	Common system; stable environment; built-in X -cal
Correlated errors	Accurate measurements; well-sampled lightcurves
Non-SN Ia Contam.	Peak spectrum covering Si II 6150Å
Malmquist bias	Early discovery at all redshifts
Cross-filter K-Corr.	Redshift-matched filters; Peak spectrum; in-situ templates
Milky Way extinction	SIRTF FIR + SNAP Galactic subdwarfs
Gravitational lensing	Average/model; large-N per Δz -bin, good precision
Host dust extinction	Long wavelength-baseline calibrated spectra
Supernova "Evolution"	Initial conditions from lightcurve & spectral features



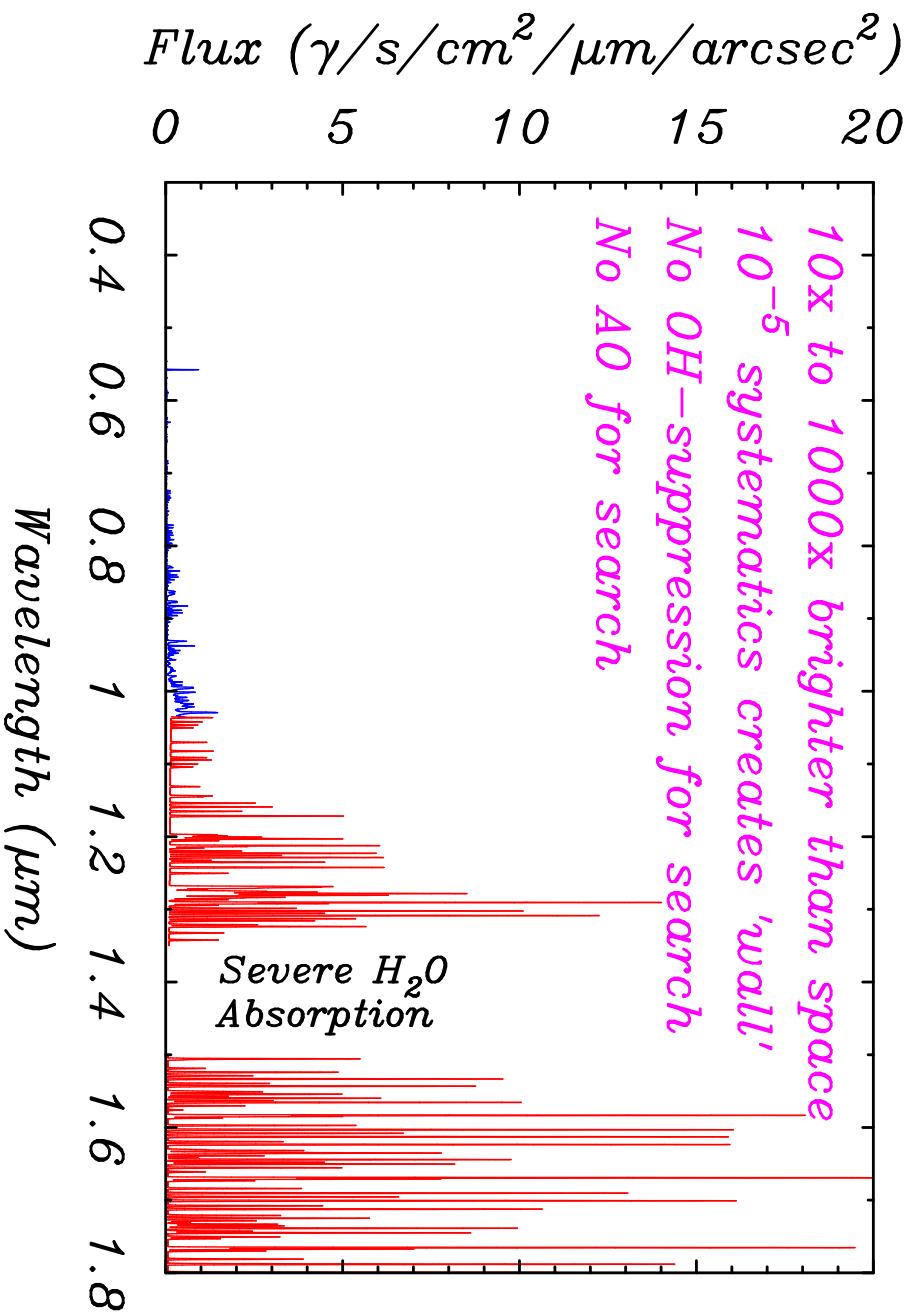
Estimated Systematics Error Budget

*Goal: 2% per redshift bin over $0.1 < z < 1.7$;
 $< 2\%$ in adjacent redshift bins*

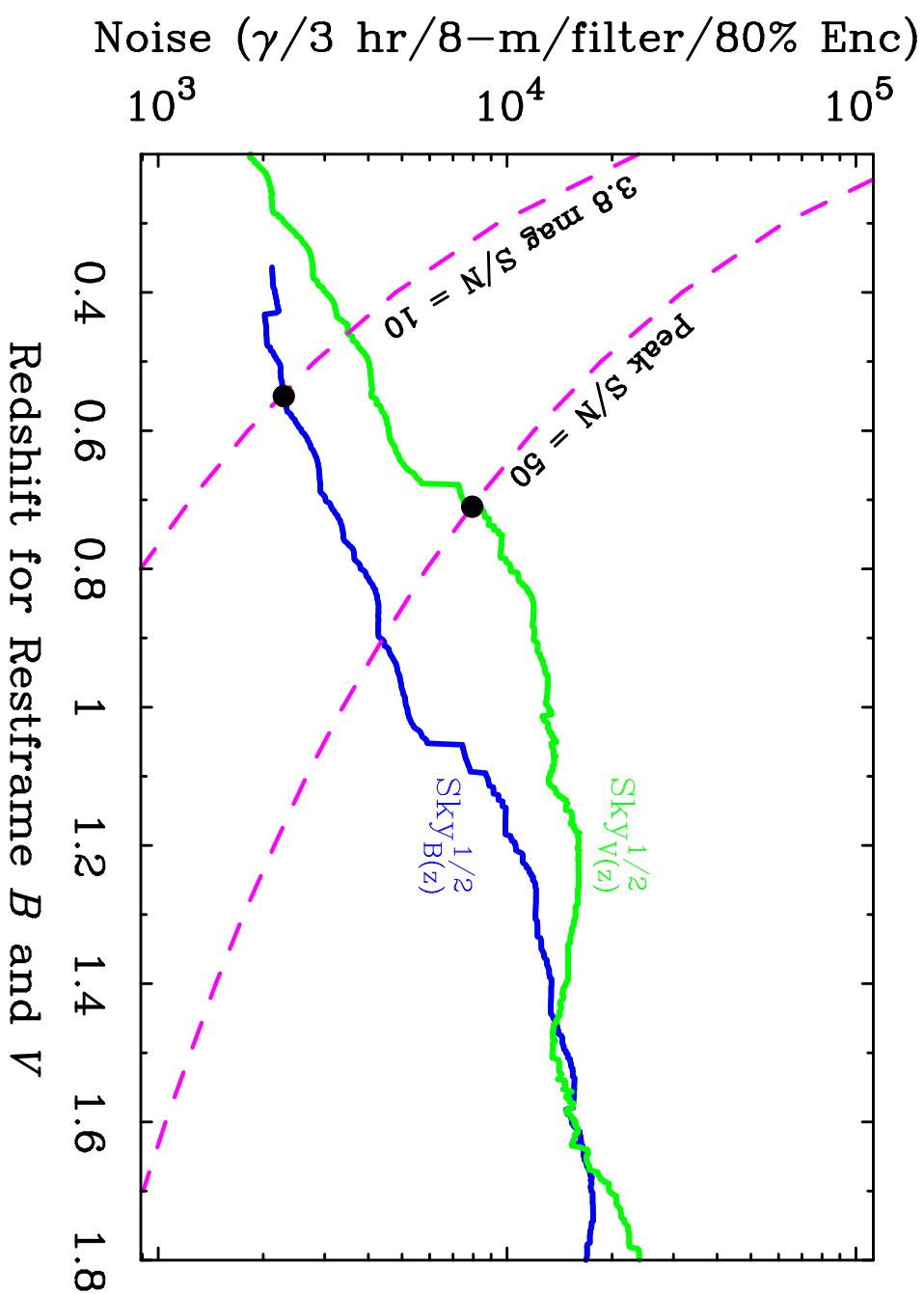
Residual Systematic Source	Statistical	Estimated Residual
Data reduction	—	< 0.5%
Correlated errors	—	< 0.5%
Non-SN Ia Contamination	—	0.0%
Malmquist bias	—	< 0.5%
Cross-filter K-Correction	—	< 0.5%
Milky Way extinction	10–20%	0.5%
Gravitational lensing	1–10%	1%
Host dust extinction	1–20%	1%
Supernova “Evolution”	$\sim 10\%$	1%
Arithmetric Sum		3.5%
Quadrature Sum		2.1%



the Tremendous Sky Brightness compared to SNe



Sky Photon Noise: Ground 8-meter, 3 hr





Ground and Space Simulations Inputs & Assumptions

Deep Lightcurve Photometry Simulation Parameters

Imaging Parameter	Ground	Space
Aperture	6.5-m effective	2-m w/ 5% obstruction
Image Quality	actual Paranal seeing distribution observed Keck sky & OH line lists	diffraction \otimes diffusion ($5 \mu\text{m}$) \otimes pixel ($10.5 \mu\text{m}$)
Sky		HST/Ball zodiacal light at ecliptic poles
Host galaxy	average 22 mag/arcsec ² ; $(1+z)^4$ dimming	
Weather	78% photometric, 87% usable	Hubble deep field sizes clear!
Moonlight	Walker (NOAO) far-moon table	NA
Total throughput	60% optical; 30% NIR	60% optical; 30% NIR
Exposure	9 hrs total (full night)	set by SNAP requirements

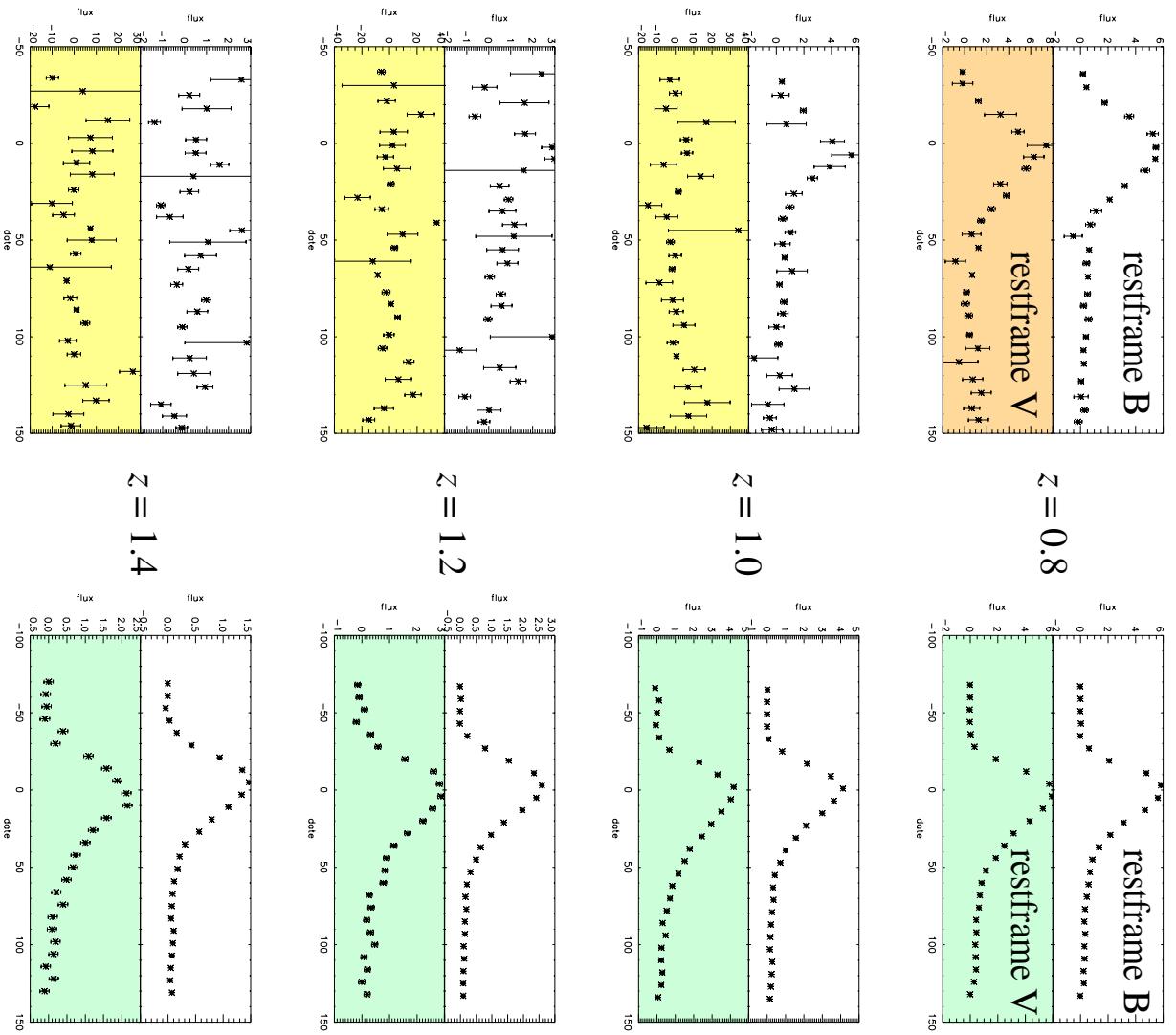
Spectroscopy Simulation Parameters

Spectroscopy Parameter	Ground	Ground+AO	Space
Aperture	8-m effective	8-m effective	2-m w/ 5% obstruction
Image Quality	median Paranal seeing	Strehl = 0.5	diffraction \otimes diffusion \otimes pixel
Total throughput	57% optical; 29% NIR	29% optical; 14% NIR	45% optical; 35% NIR
Readout noise (e ⁻ /pix)	4 optical; 6 NIR	4 optical; 6 NIR	4 optical; 6 NIR
Dark current (e ⁻ /pix/hr)	5 optical; 60 NIR	5 optical; 60 NIR	5 optical; 60 NIR
Exposure	9 hrs total (full night)	9 hrs total (full night)	set by SNAP requirements
Resolution	4000	4000	200
OH suppression	digital, and including grating & slit diffraction		NA

Ground:LSST/VLT

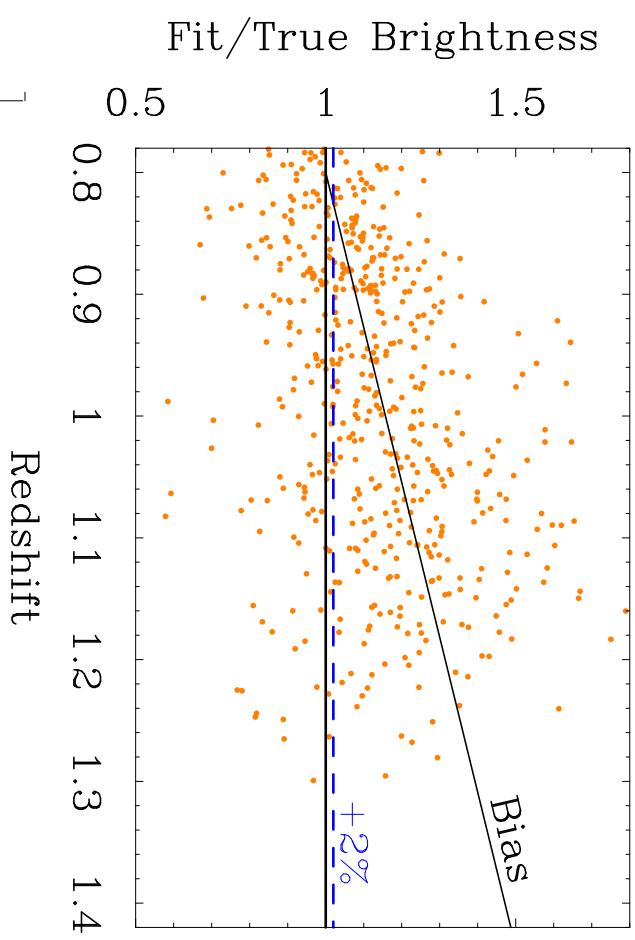
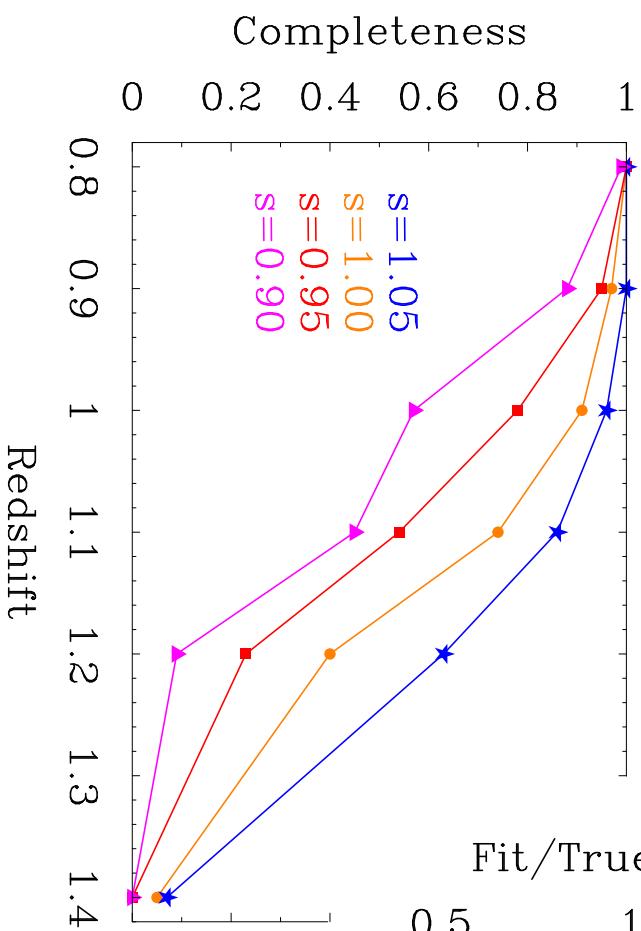
(9 hours / filter)

Space: SNAP





LSST deep search Malmquist bias





Why not Wait and Use NGST?

- SWAP field of view is $225 \times$ that of $NGST$.
- $NGST$ pointing time is ~ 20 minutes.
- Pointing time to cover $20\Box^\circ$ is ~ 31 days!
- Pointing time for minimal follow-up of 2000 SNe is nearly a year!

$\therefore NGST$ much too slow to keep up with discovery or follow-up.
- NGST spectral response dead below $0.6 \mu m$.
- $NGST$ misses CaII & UV flux for $z < 0.8$.



Can Ground-Based AO do better than SNAP?

AO search & photometry w/ Big Ground-Based Telescope

- AO can correct a very small region around SN (MCAO better, but not enough).
 - *But, searching & lightcurve require wide field to obtain multiplex advantage.*
 - *And, current AO photometry has serious systematics & no consistency/stability.*

AO search & photometry w/ Ground-Based Telescope Array

- Array of tip-tilt corrected 1-meter telescopes can improve large field.
 - *But, large "skirt" of tip-tilt PSF negates advantage for accurate photometry.*
 - *And, again there is no spatial or temporal consistency/stability.*

AO spectroscopy w/ Big Ground-Based Telescope

- 9 hrs on 8-m w/ OH-suppression & AO worse than SNAP.
- *1 hr on 30-m w/ OH-suppression & AO comparable to SNAP (@z = 1.6).*
- *Spectrum not photometric – lose dust correction & K-correction template.*

Ground: LSST/VLT

9 hours

OH Suppression

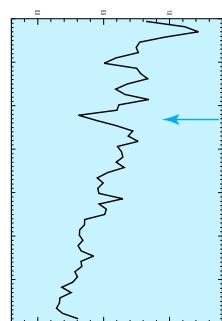
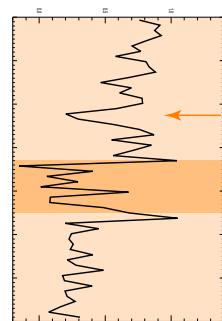
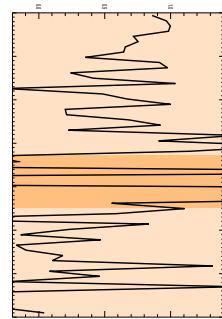
Space: SNAP

Multi-object: No AO Single-object: With AO

$z = 1.0$ *Water*

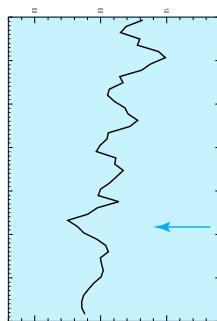
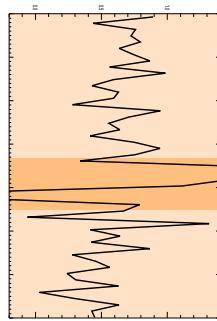
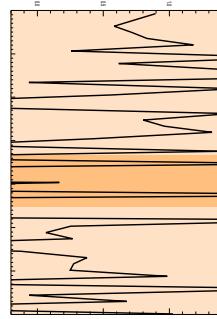
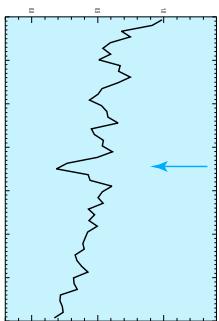
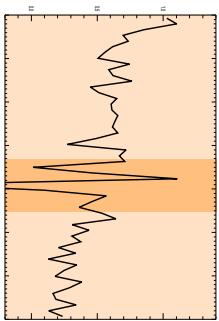
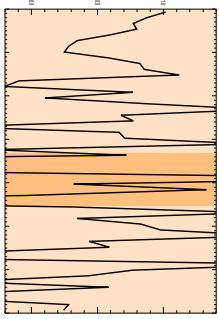
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Si II



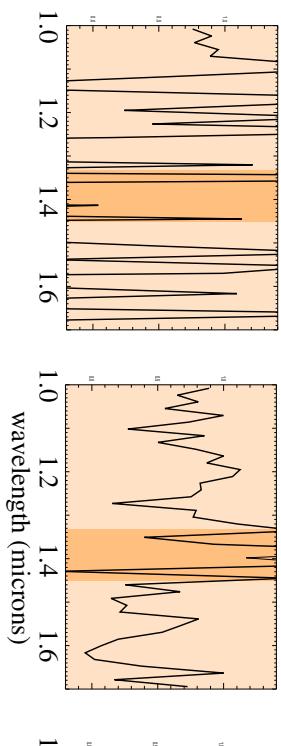
$z = 1.4$

Si II



$z = 1.6$

Si III





SNAP Internal Controls and Cross Checks

- Fit cosmology for spectrally matched subsamples
- Fit using galaxy morphology & radial subsamples
- Look for non-cosmological trends & increased scatter over wide redshift range
- Fit cosmology for SNe with best filter matches
- Use SNe II as independent check on SNe Ia
- Compare weak lensing Ω_M with SNe Ia asymptotic Ω_M at deceleration epoch



SNAP Systematics Control Summary

- Identified systematics become negligible or statistical
- Opt/NIR coverage enables correction for non-standard dust.
- Quality lightcurves & spectra check/correct for “evolution”
- “Sanity Checks” using subsamples & wide redshift range
- Cross-checks from SNe II & Weak Lensing
- Space facility offers superior systematics control

SNAP's quality dataset keeps systematics under control