

Sample variance in the local measurements of H_0

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Can we alleviate this tension by considering **local density fluctuations** and **supernova selection**?

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- measuring the sound horizon scale at recombination, which constrains $\Omega_c h^2$
- Re-analyses (*Planck* int. LI):
 - $\ell > 800$ pulls H_0 down
 - $\ell < 30$ pulls H_0 up
- Beyond 6 parameters:
 - $N_{\text{eff}} > 3$ leads to 70.6 ± 1.0 (*Planck* 15 XIII)
 - unchanged when including running, running of the running (Obied+17)

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 - Cardona et al. (2017): 73.75 ± 2.11
 - Zhang et al. (2017): $72.5 \pm 3.1 \pm 0.77$ (blind)
 - Feeney et al. (2017): 72.72 ± 1.67
 - Follin & Knox (2017): 73.3 ± 1.7

For now let's assume that the *Planck* H_0
is the true global value.

How much ΔH_0^{loc} can come from
sample variance?

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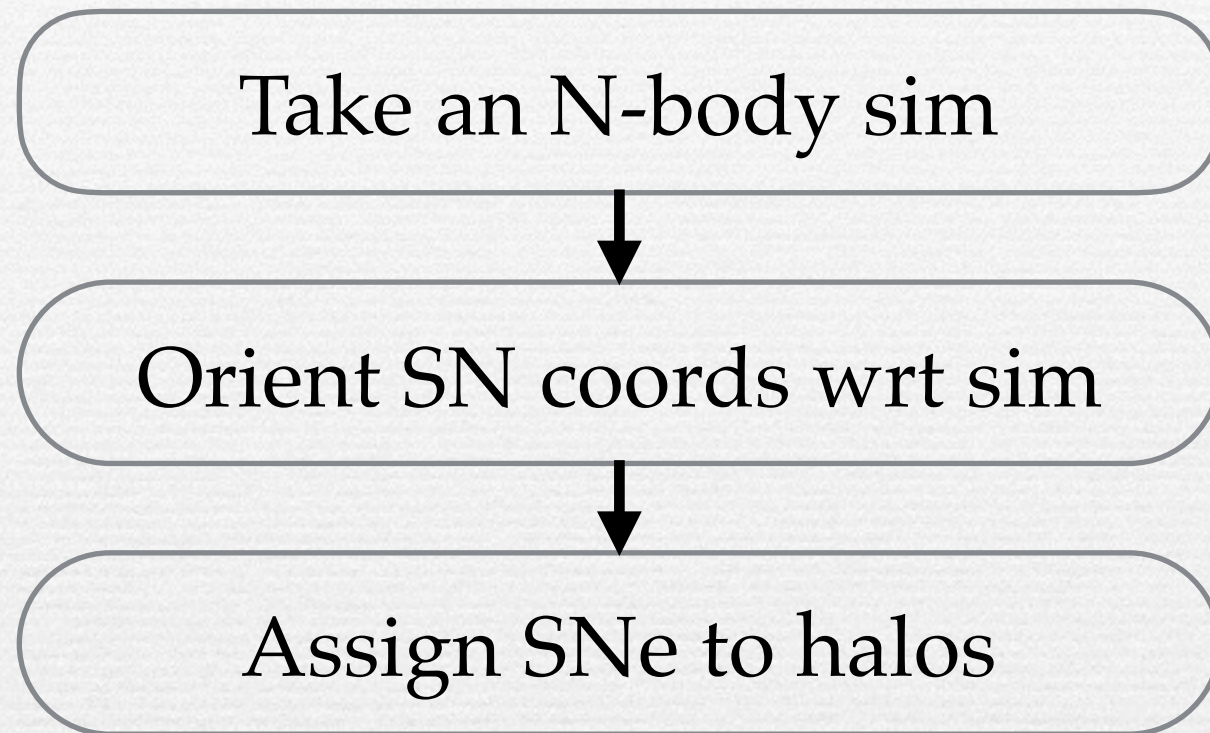
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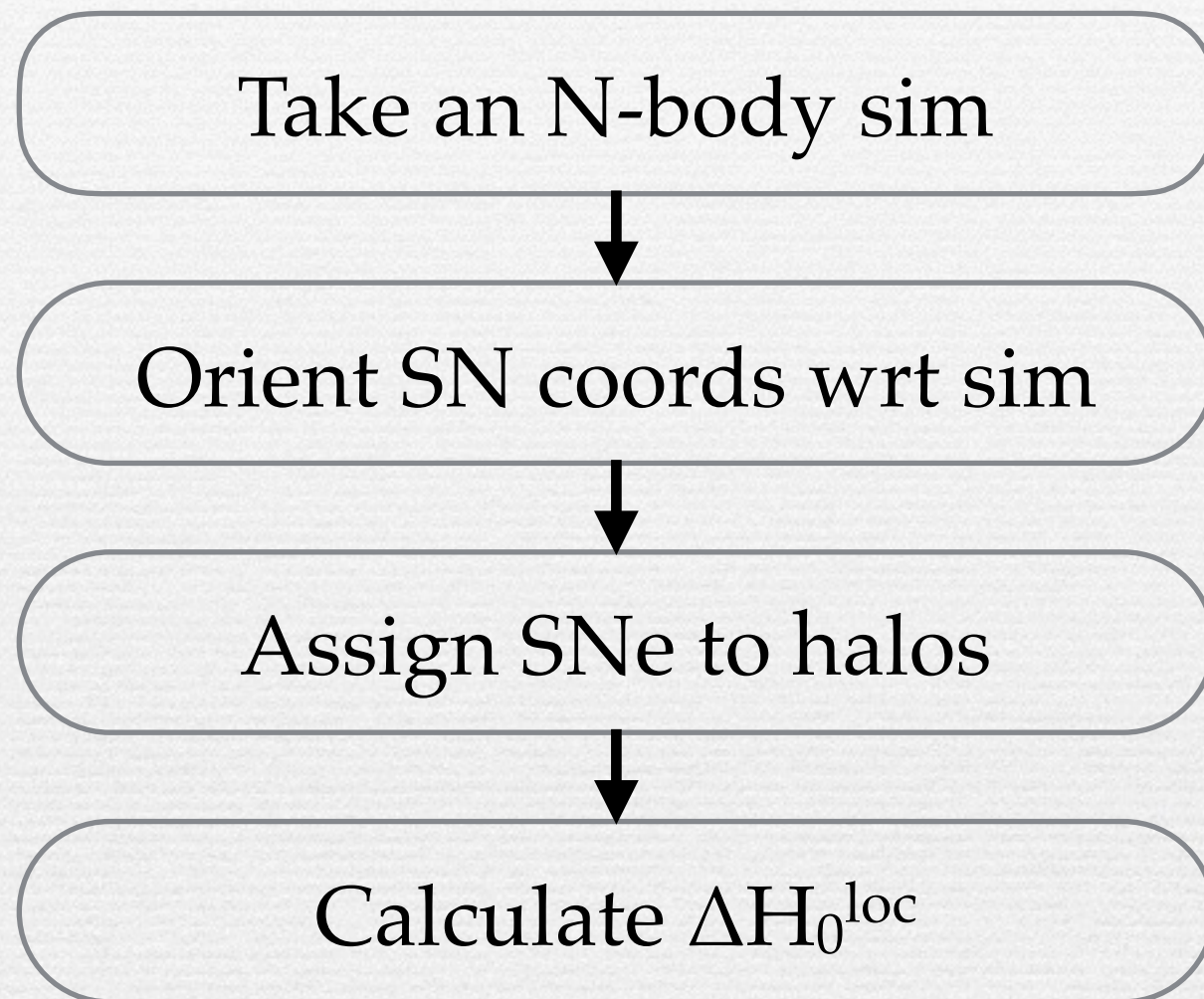


Orient SN coords wrt sim

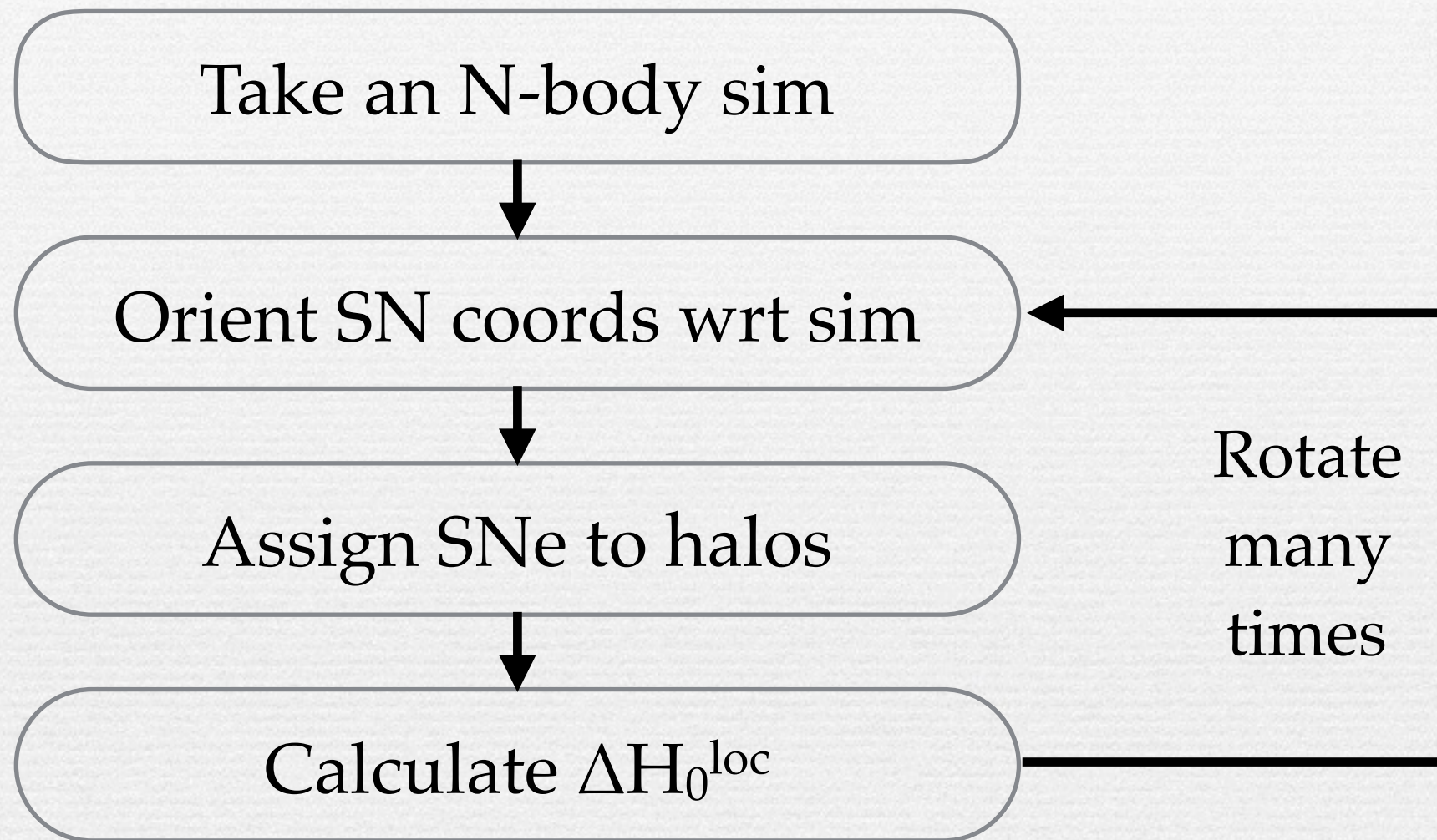
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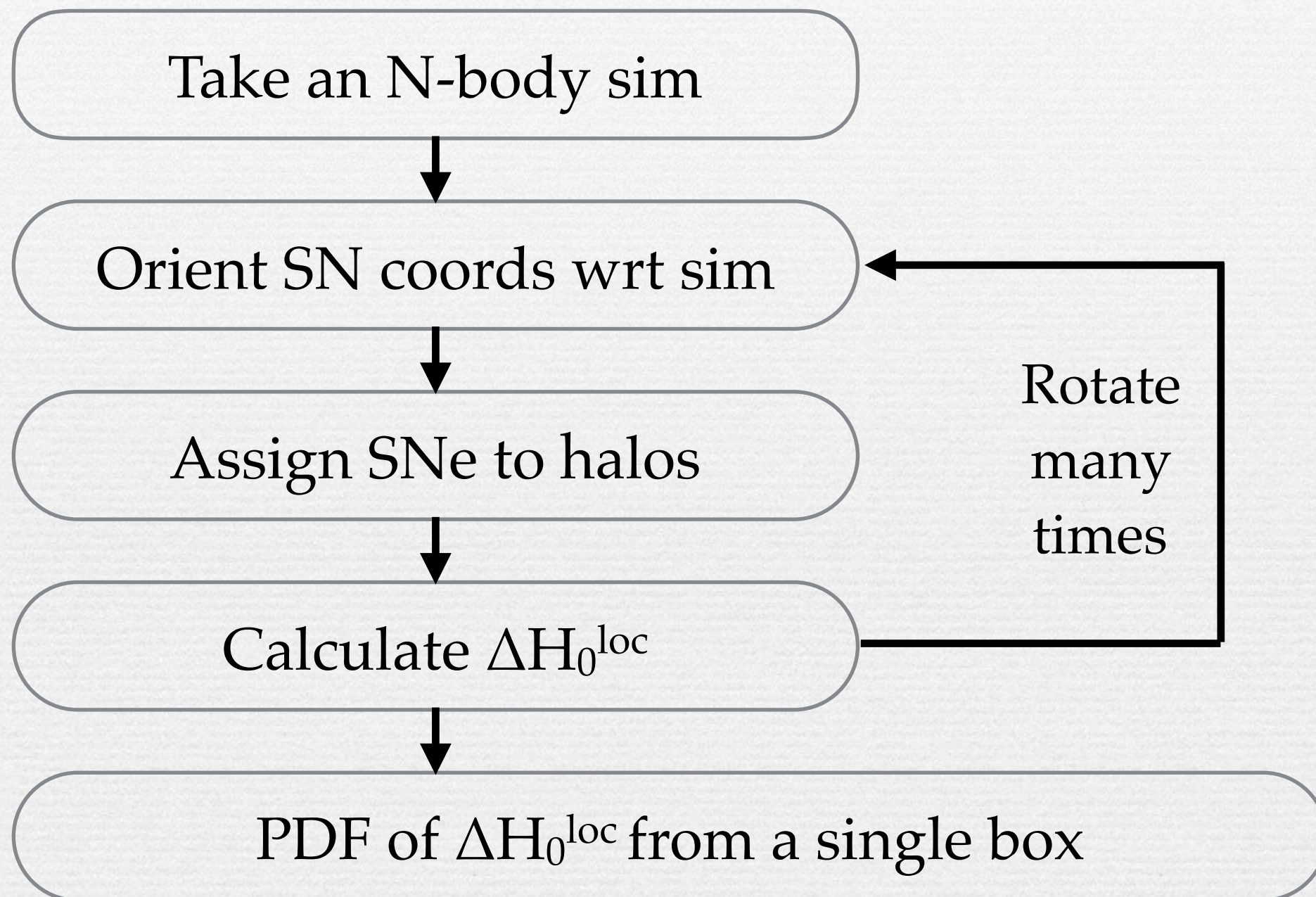
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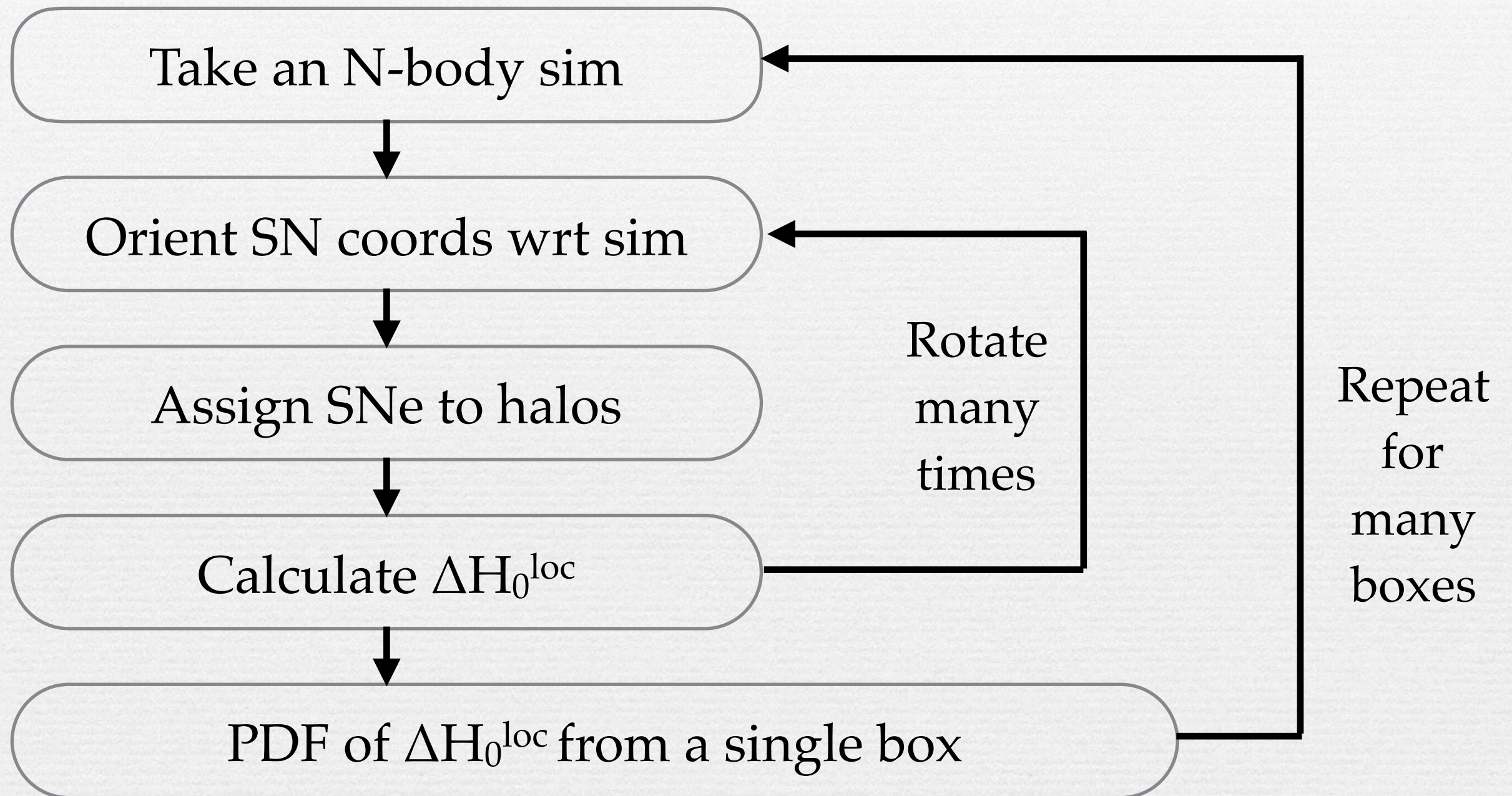
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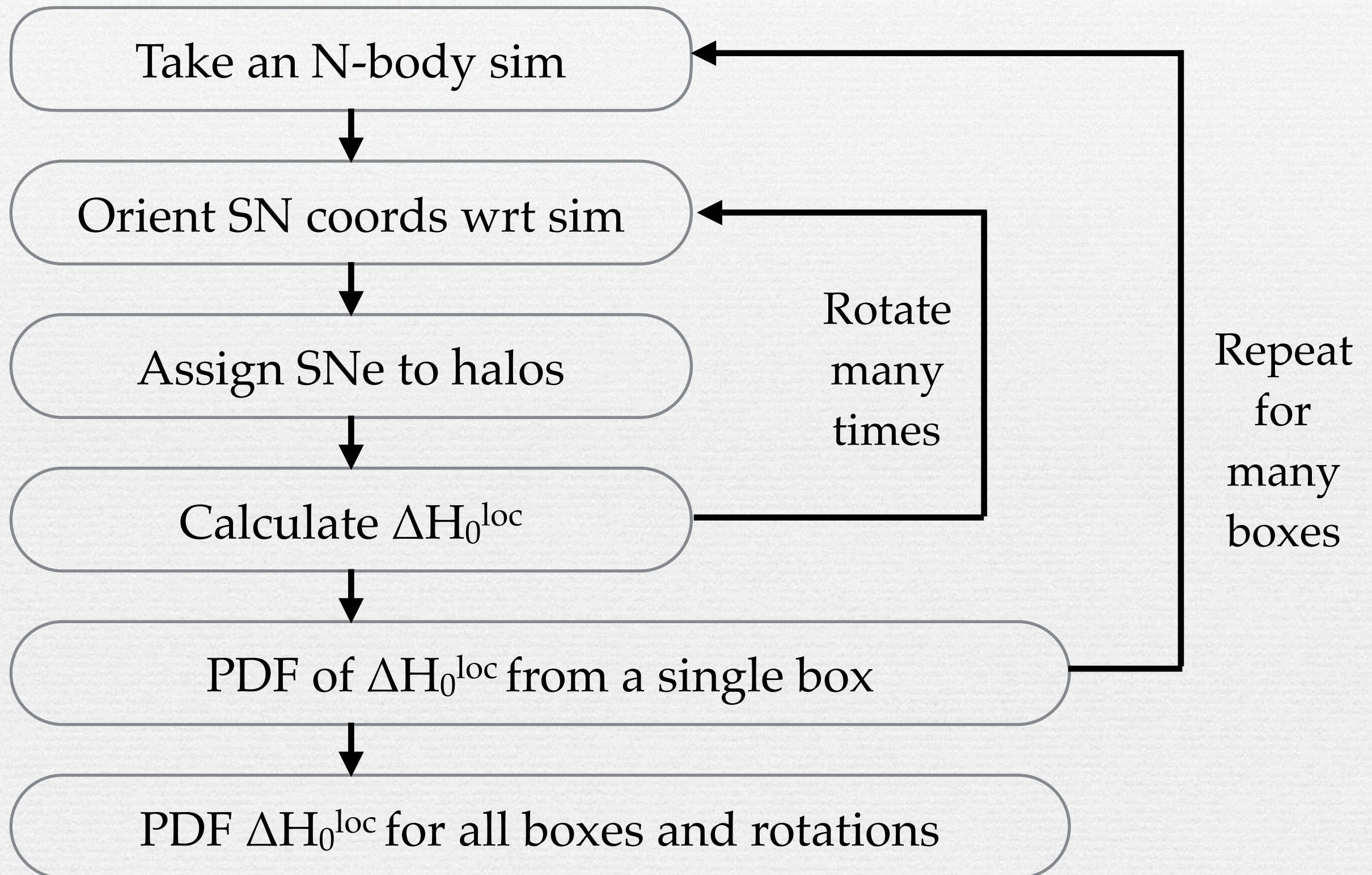
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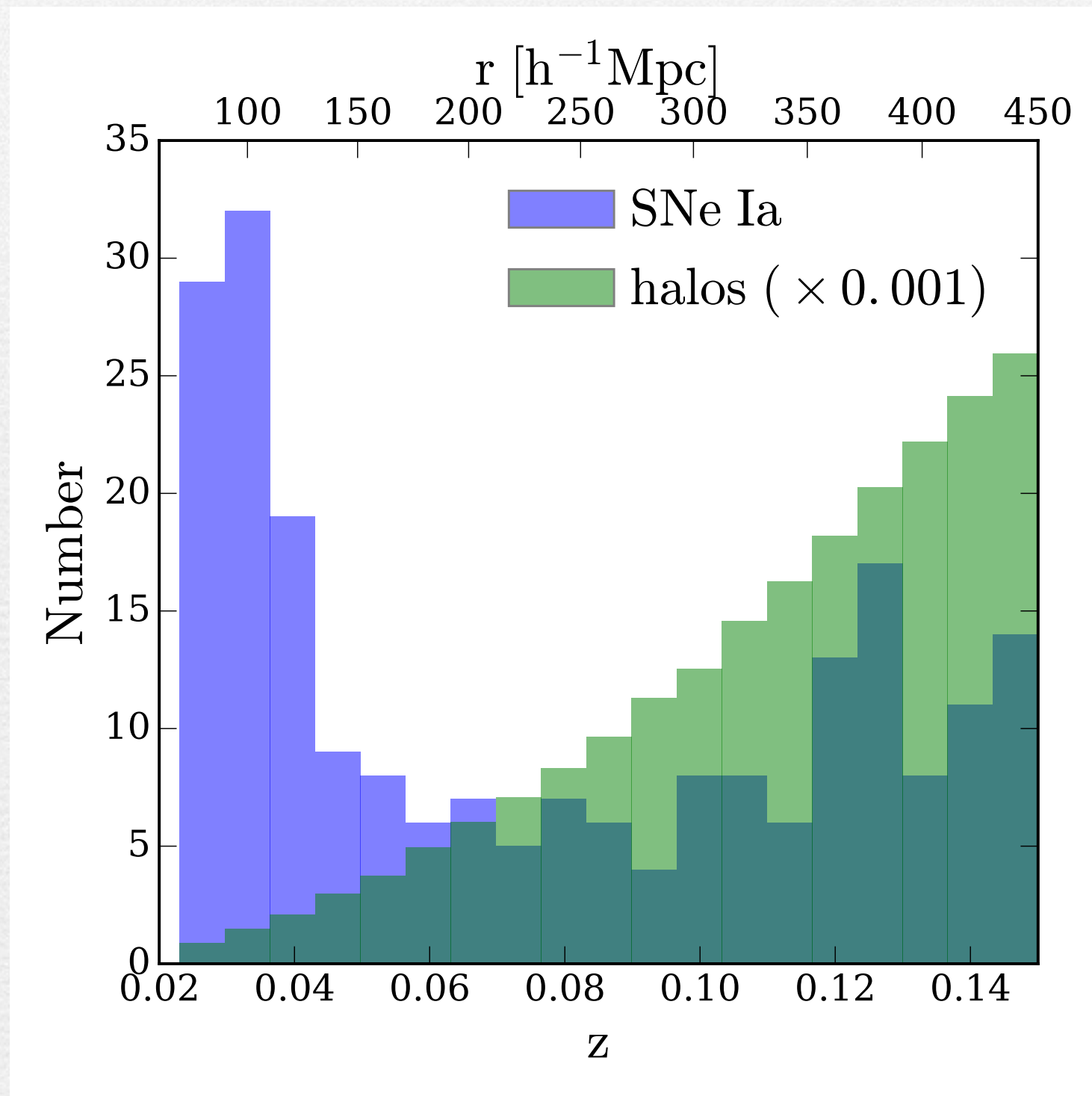
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Dark Sky Simulations (Skillman et al. 2014)

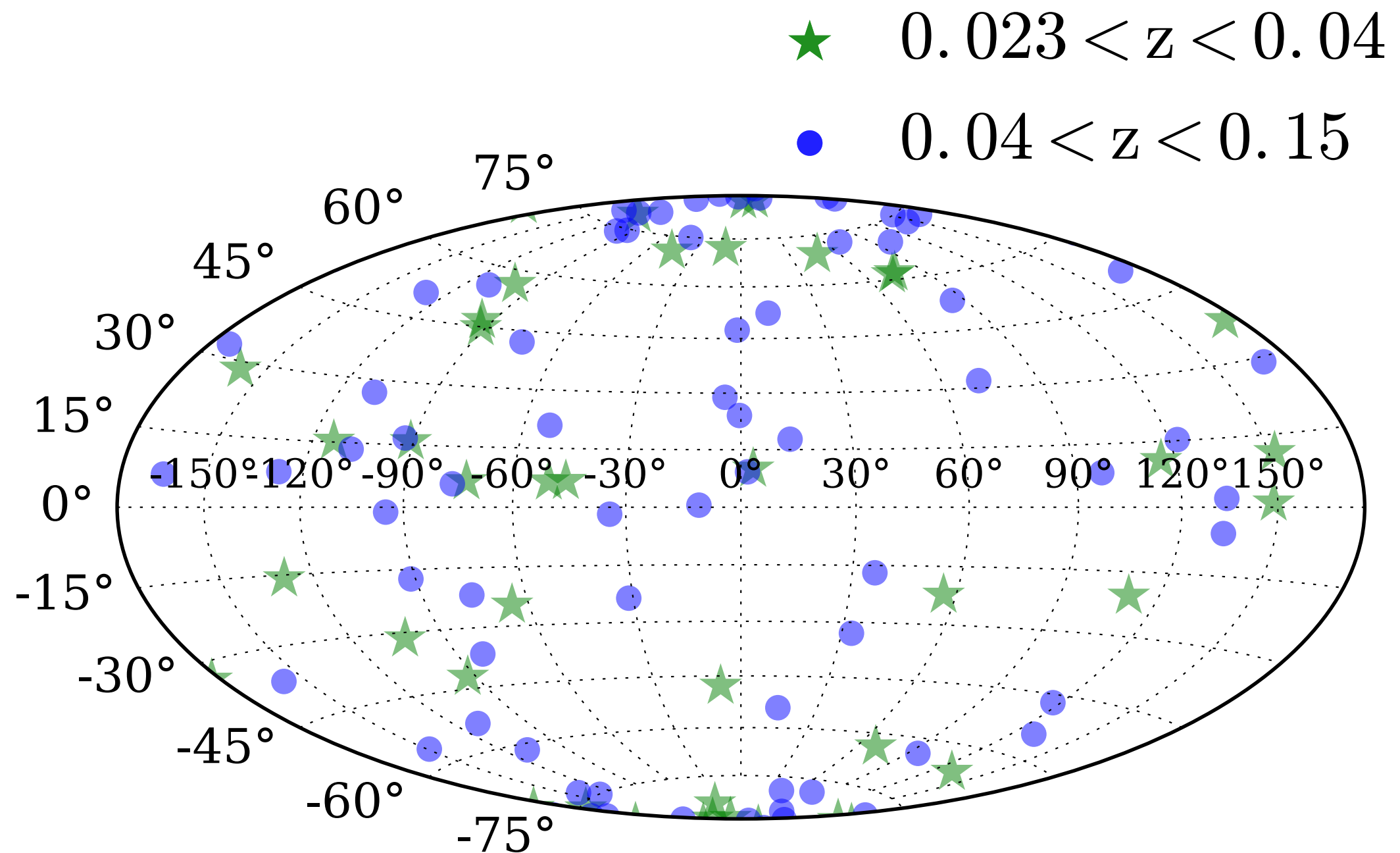
- N-body simulations (2HOT)
- $8 h^{-1}\text{Gpc}$, divided into 512 subvolumes of $1 h^{-1}\text{Gpc}$
- resolving $2 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ halos (about Milky Way mass)
- on-line database (yt + darksky.slac.stanford.edu)

Redshift distribution 217 SNe Ia from Riess+16

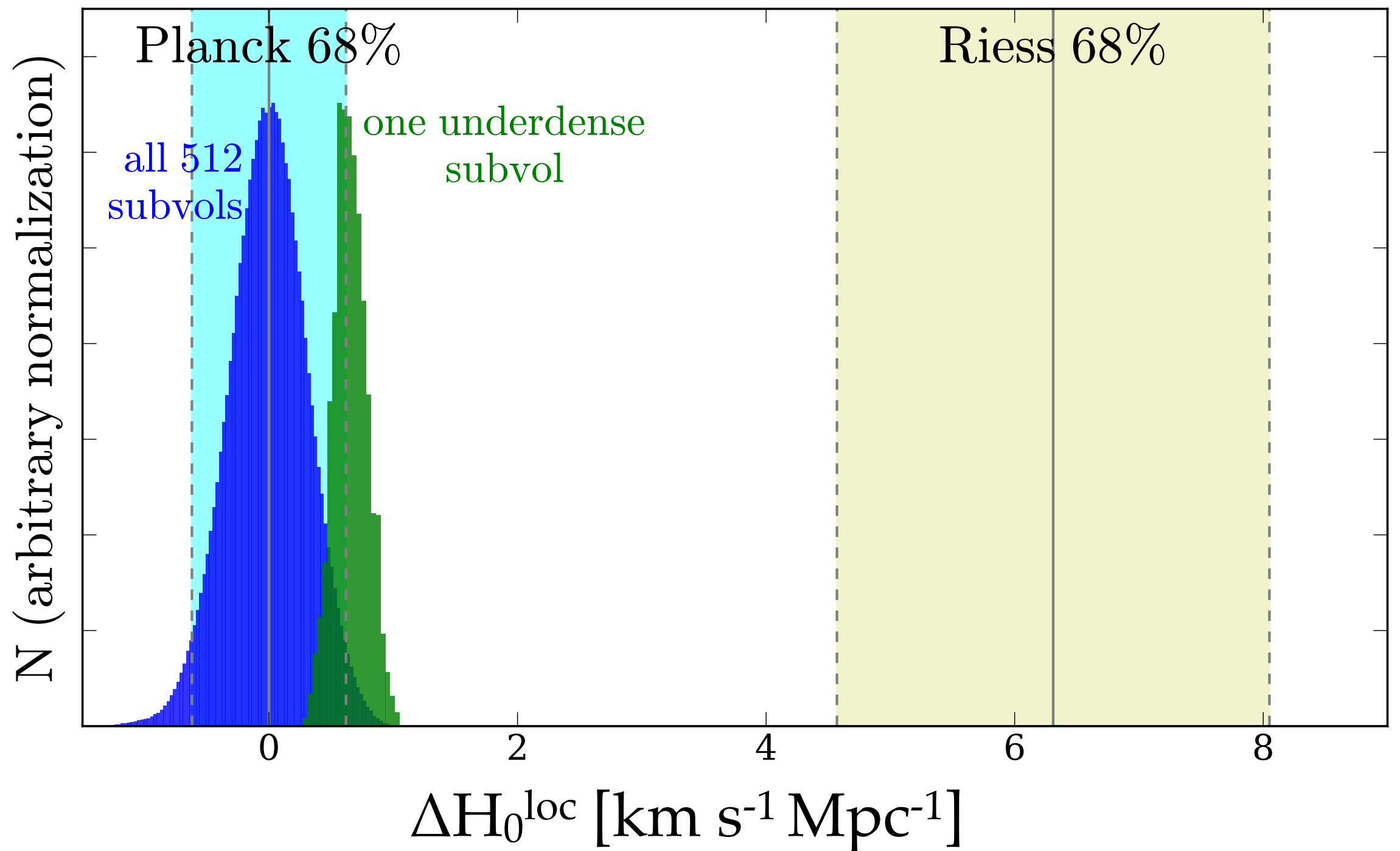


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Angular distribution 217 SNe Ia from Riess+16



PDF of ΔH_0^{loc} from ~ 1.5 million realizations

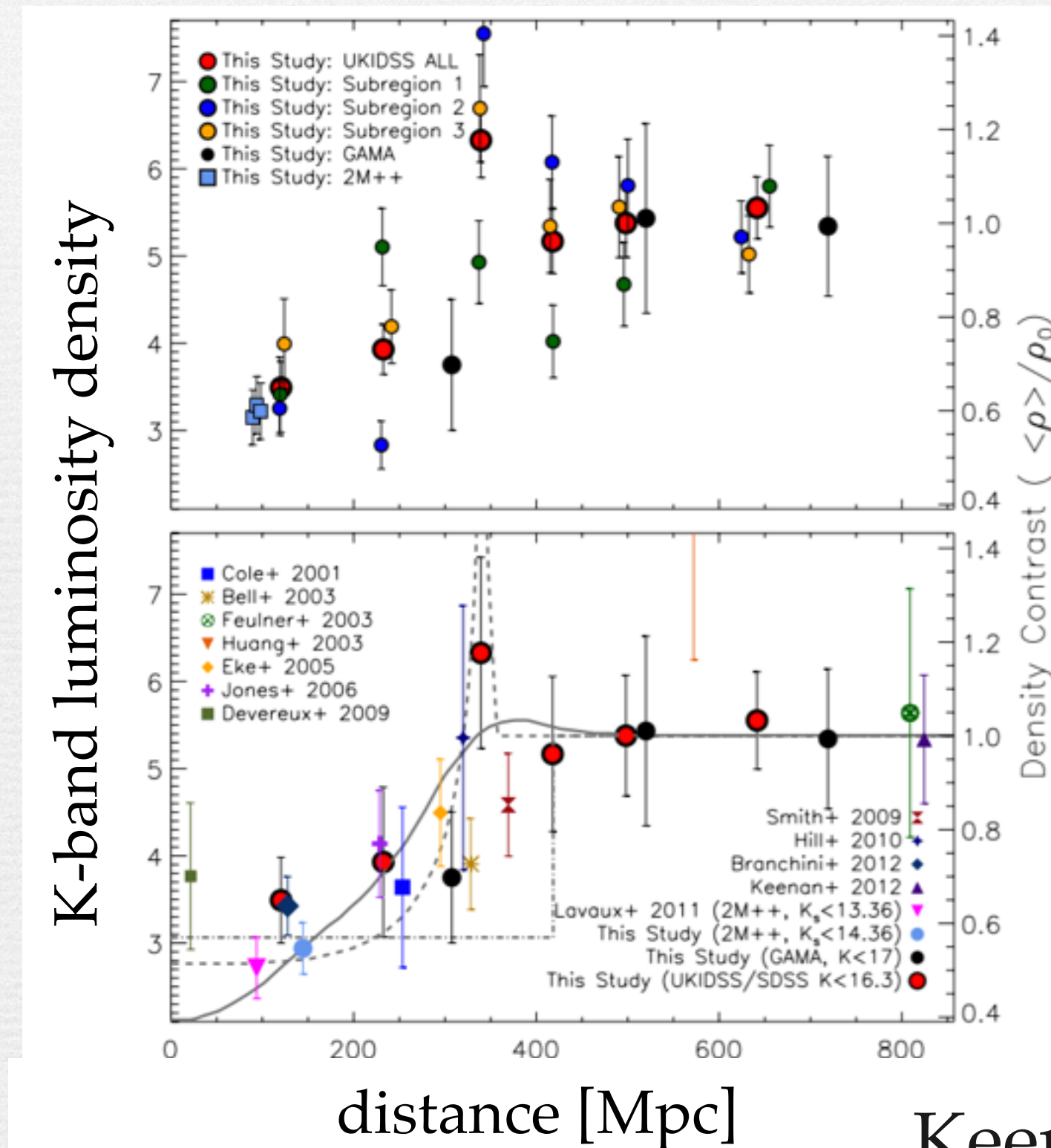


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Sample variance of ΔH_0^{loc} is $\sim 0.3 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$

	all halos, no weighting	SN $n(z)$ weighting	+3D distr. +rotations	+ Δmag weighting
$\sigma (\Delta H_0^{\text{loc}})$ [km s ⁻¹ Mpc ⁻¹]	0.12	0.38	0.42	0.31

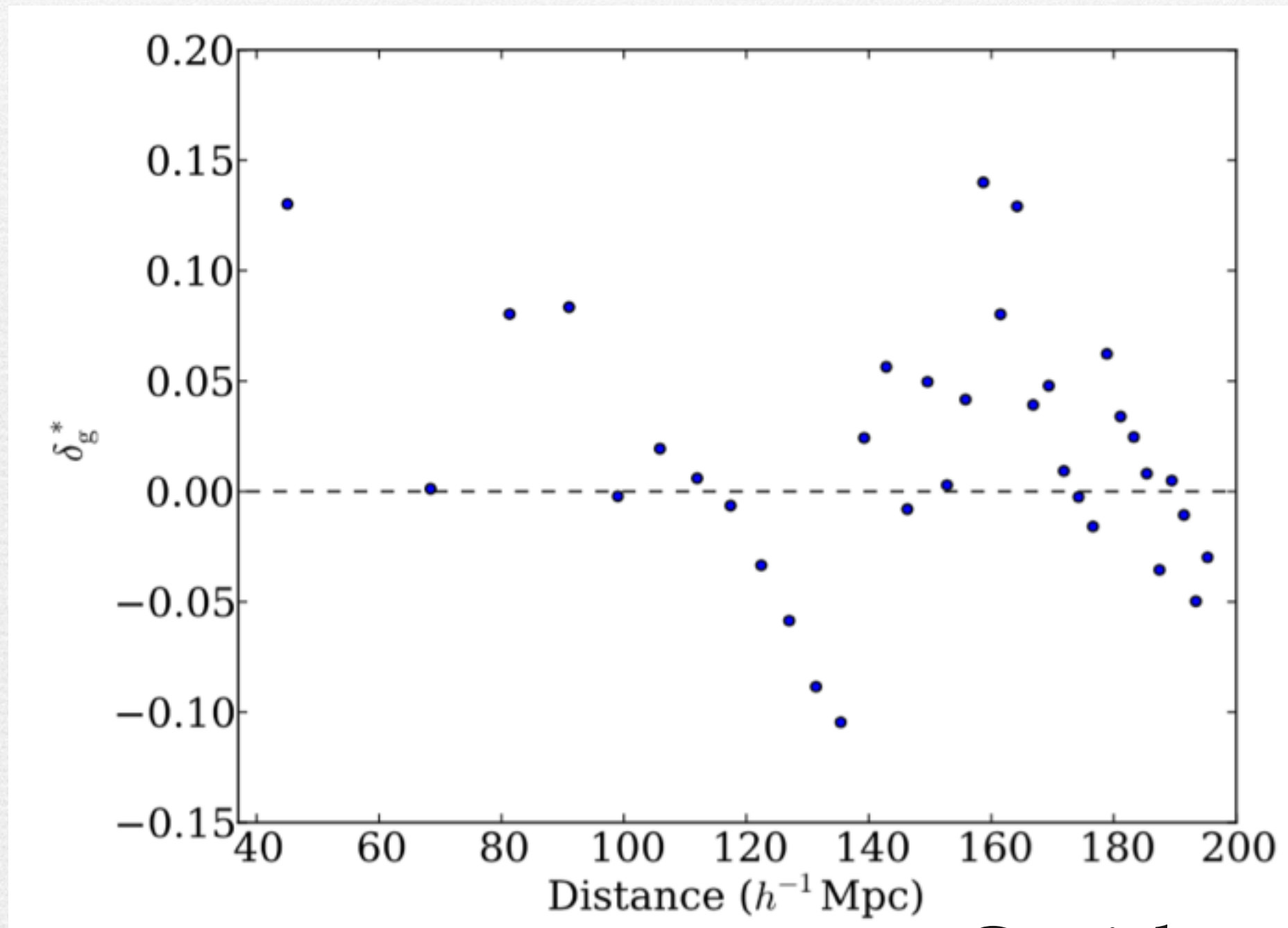
Evidence of a local under-density?



Keenan et al. (2013)

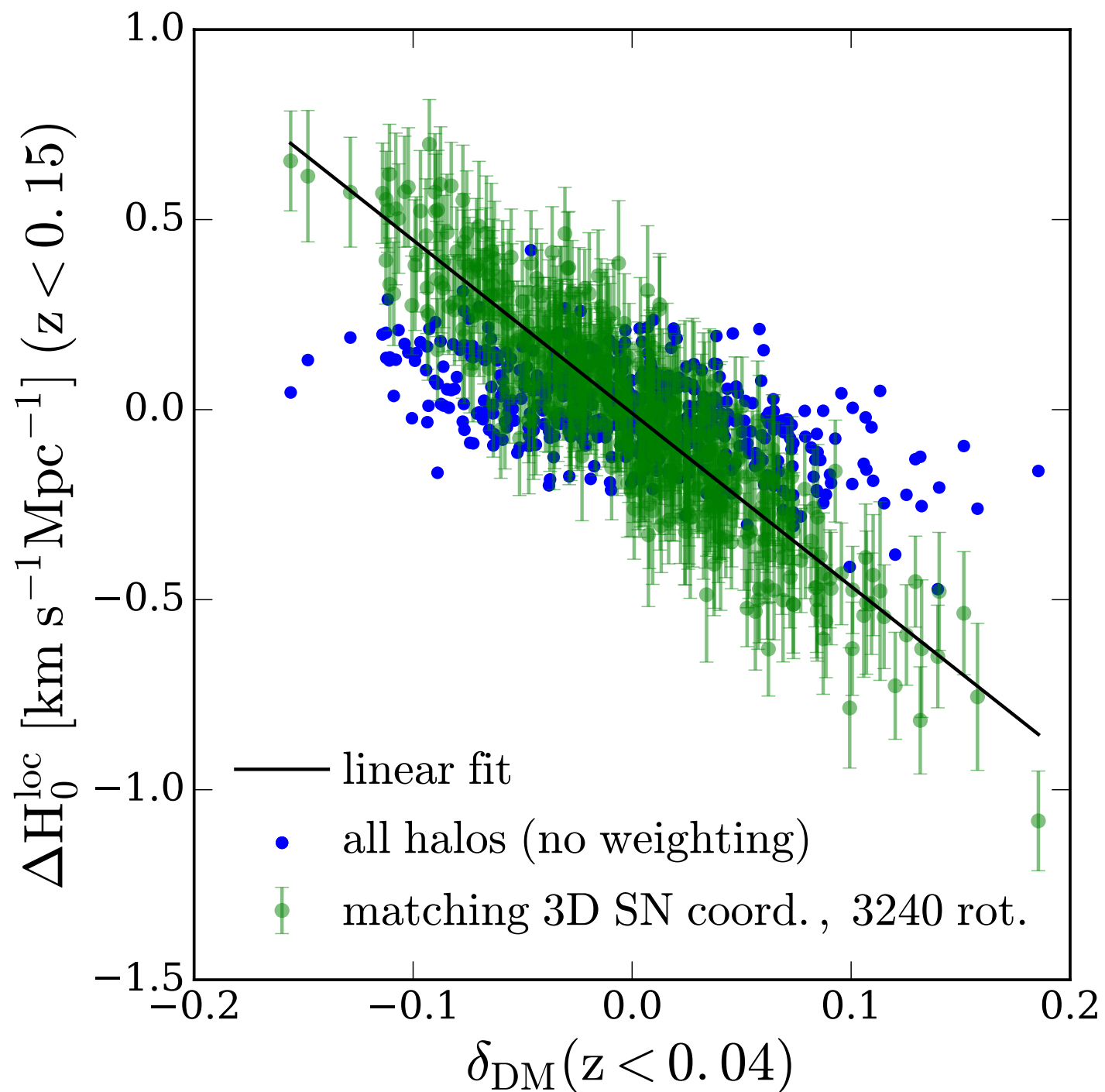
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galaxy luminosity density from 2M++



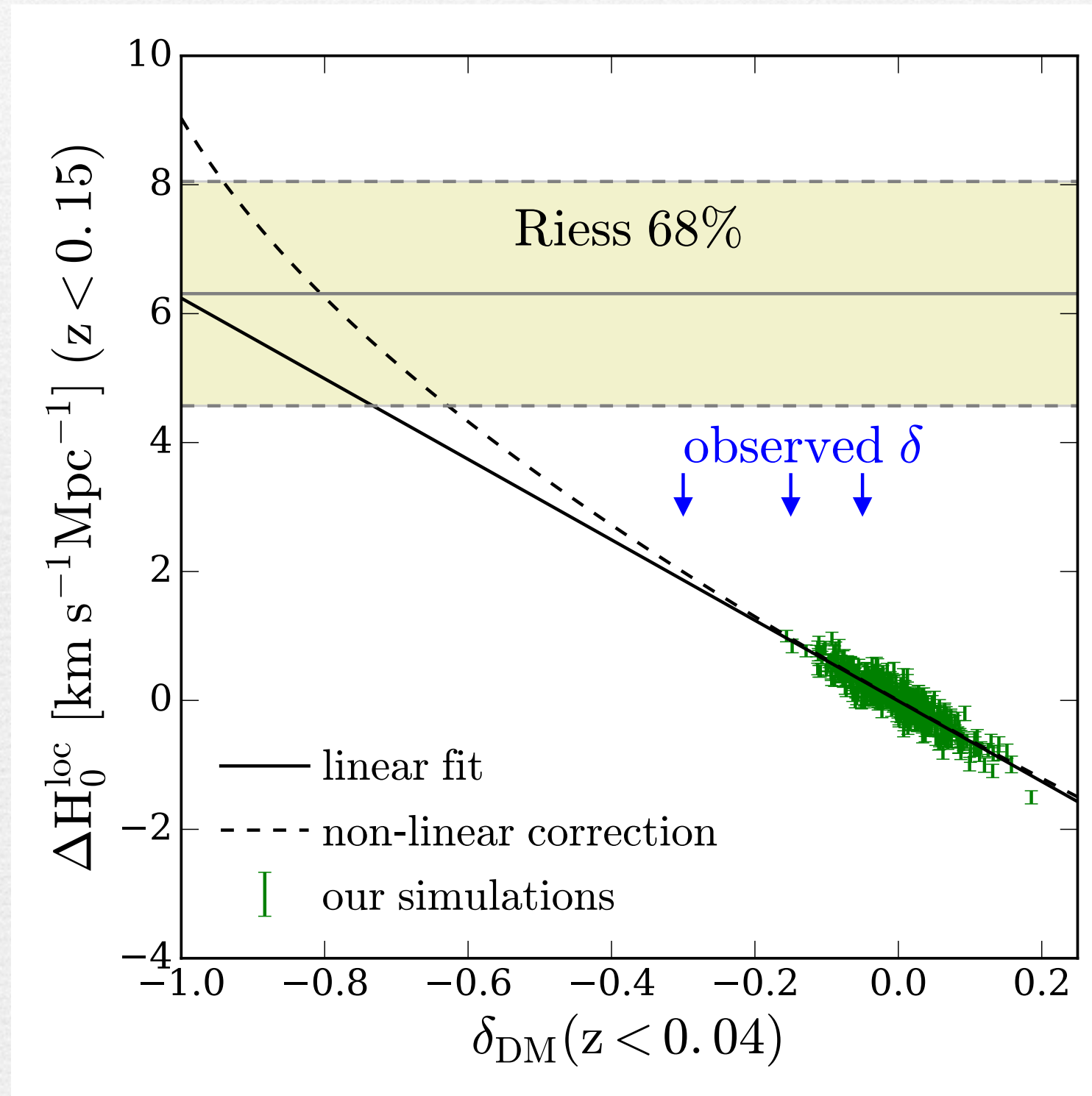
Carrick et al. (2015)

$$\Delta H_0^{\text{loc}} \propto \text{density contrast}$$



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Comparison with observations



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We're still not sure if there is a Hubble bubble.
Even if there is, it cannot resolve the tension.

Sample variance of H_0 vs. maximum distance

