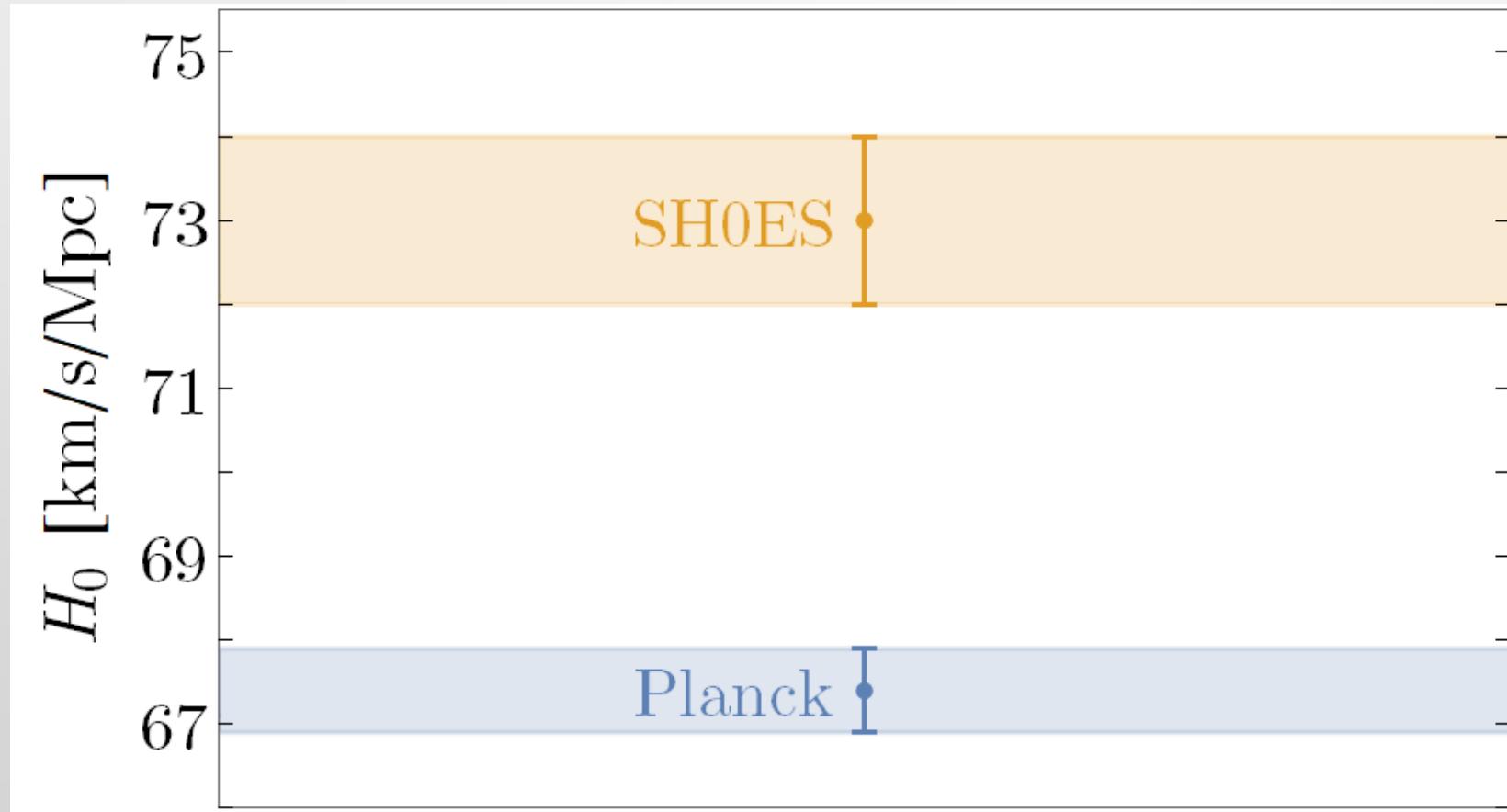


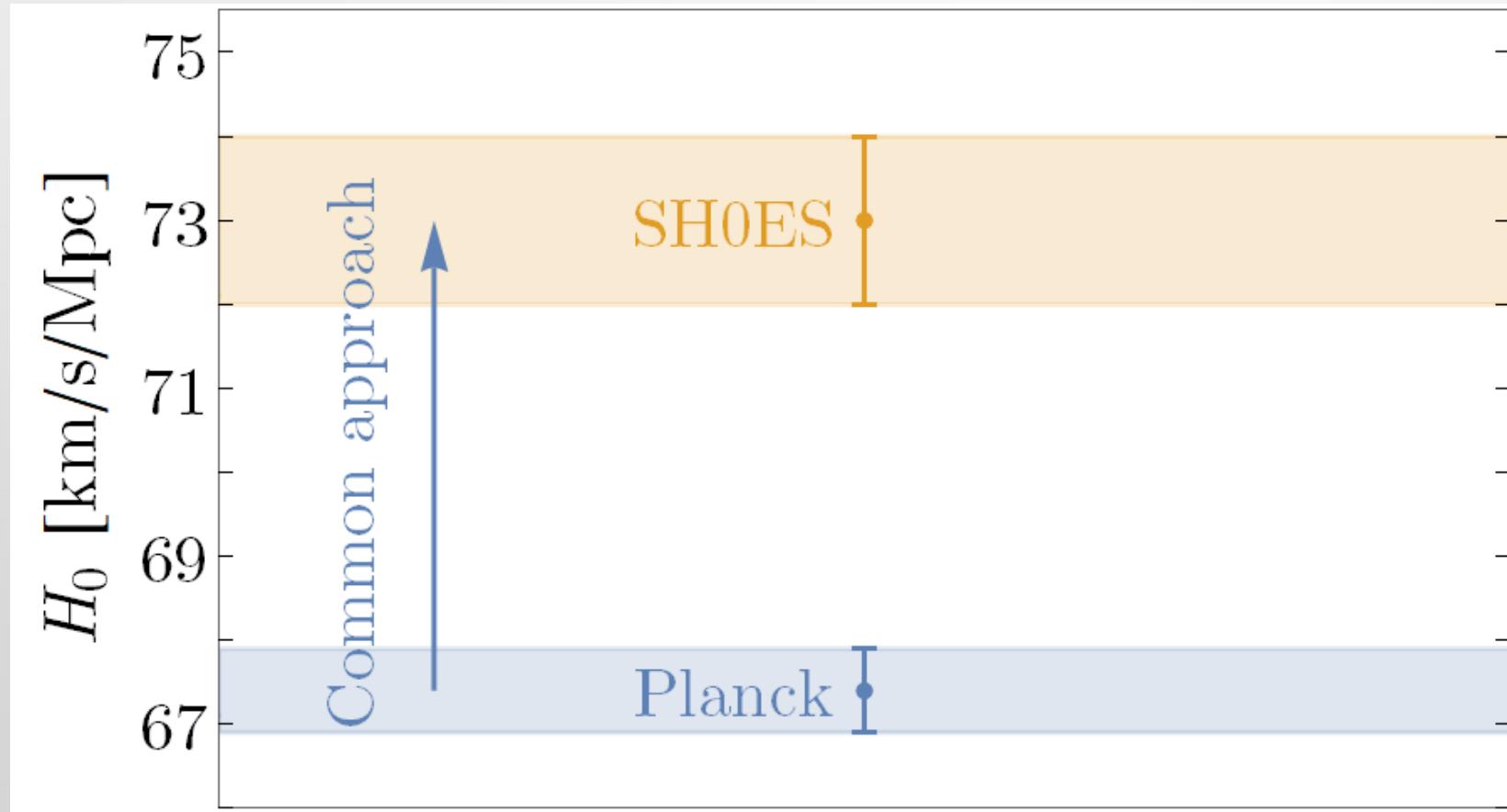
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Marcus Högås
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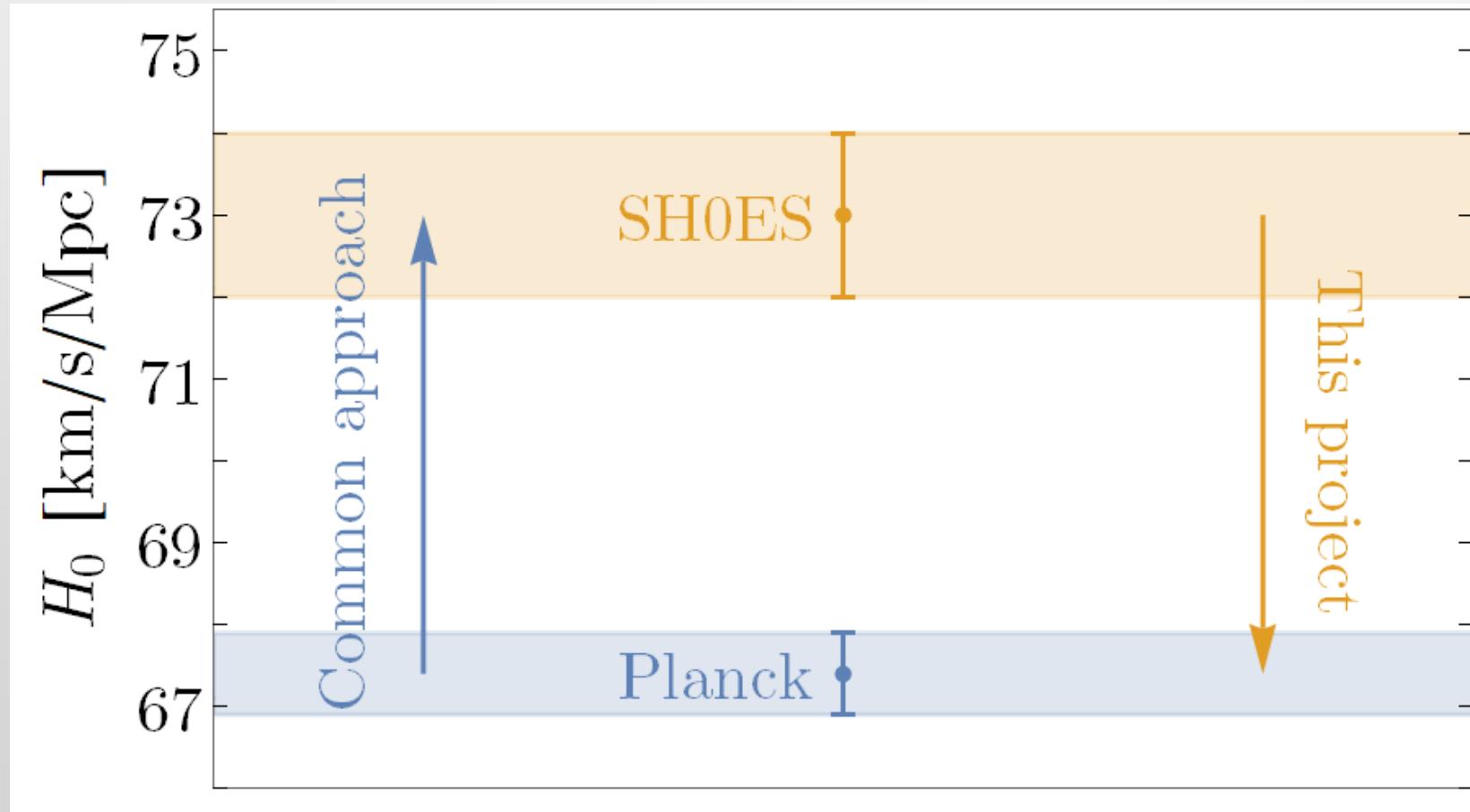
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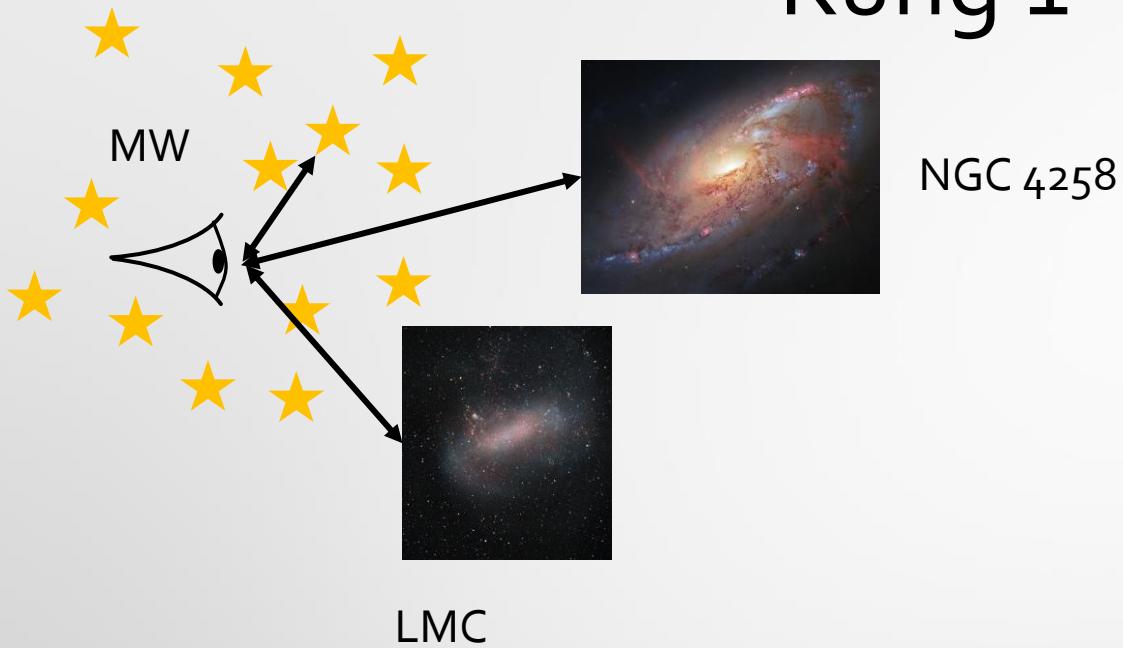
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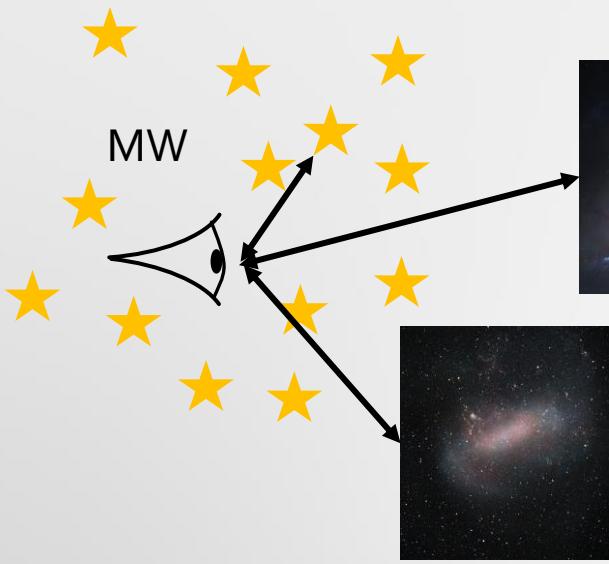
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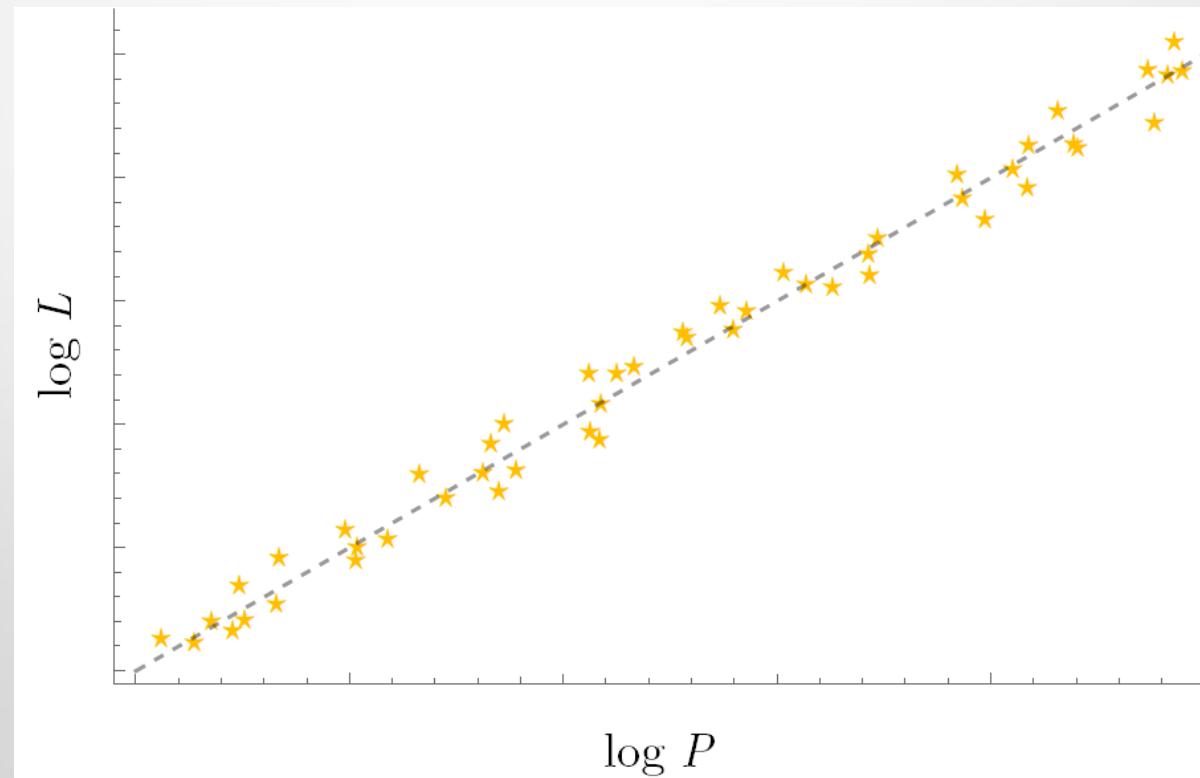
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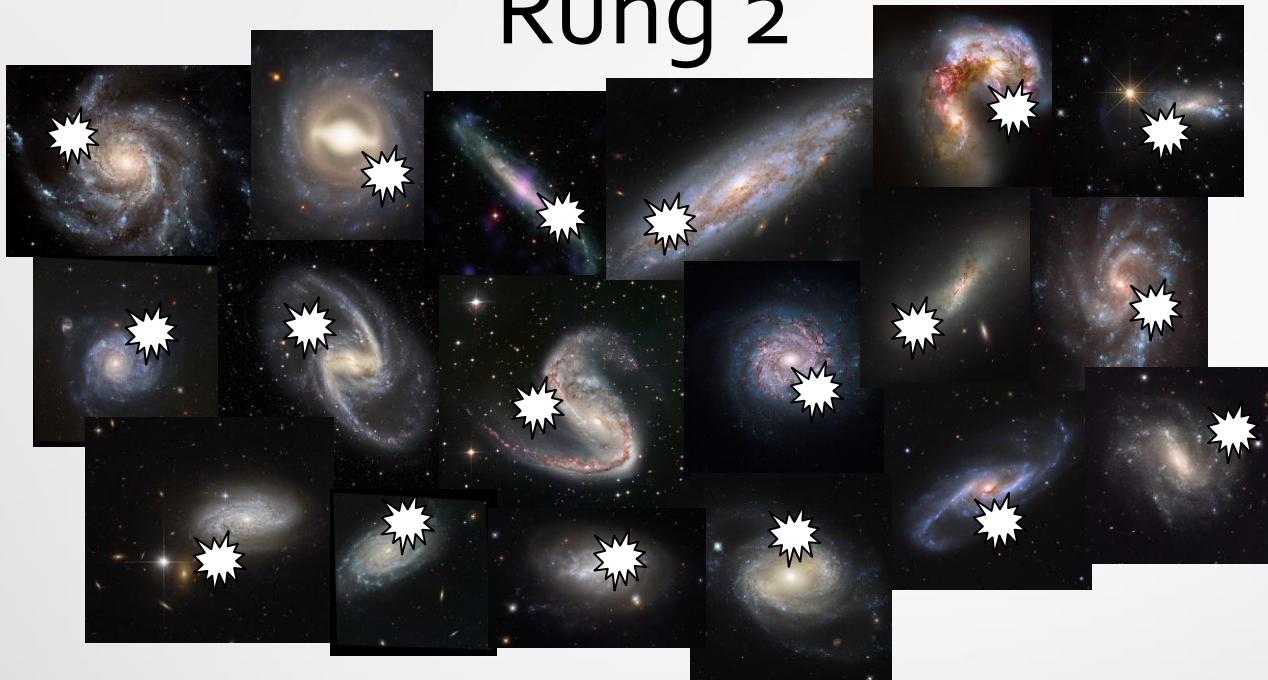
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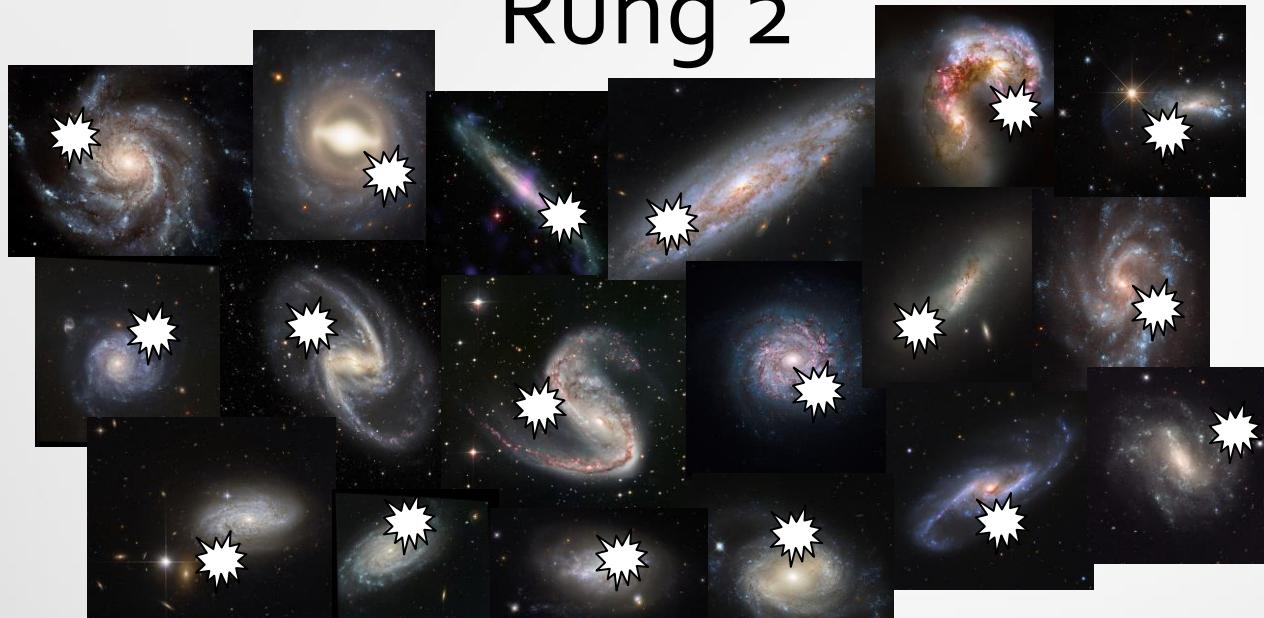
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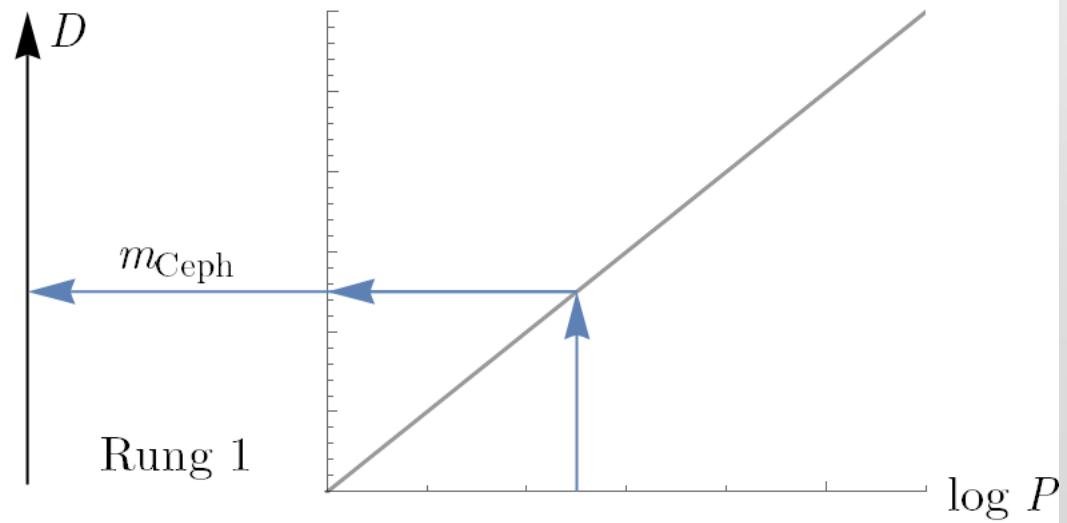
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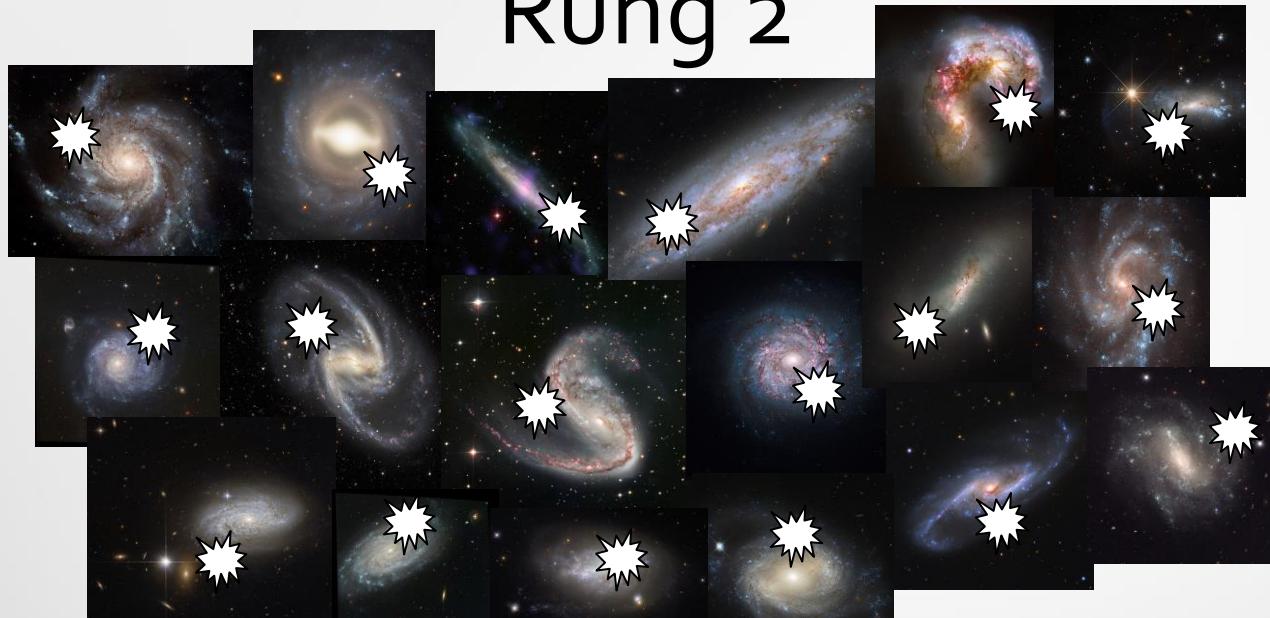
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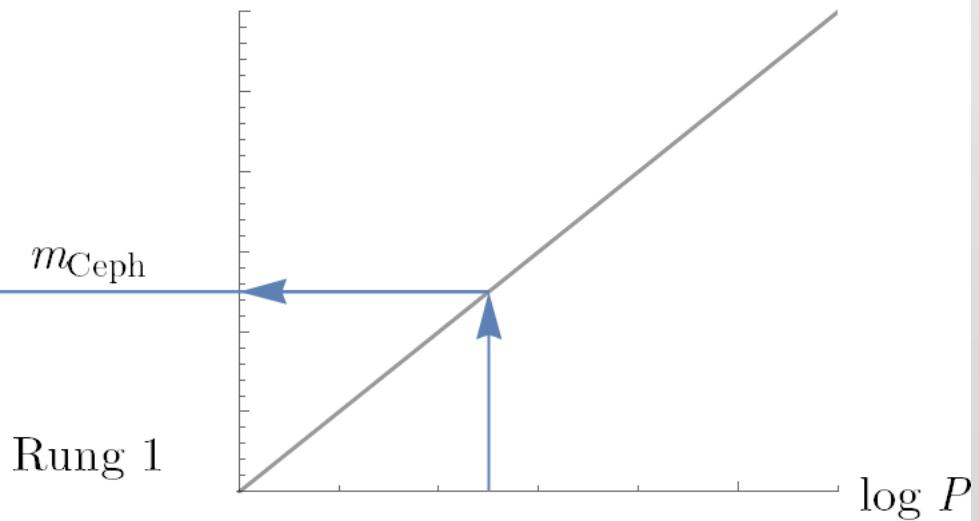
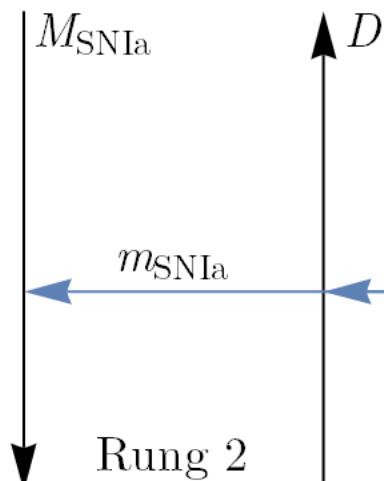
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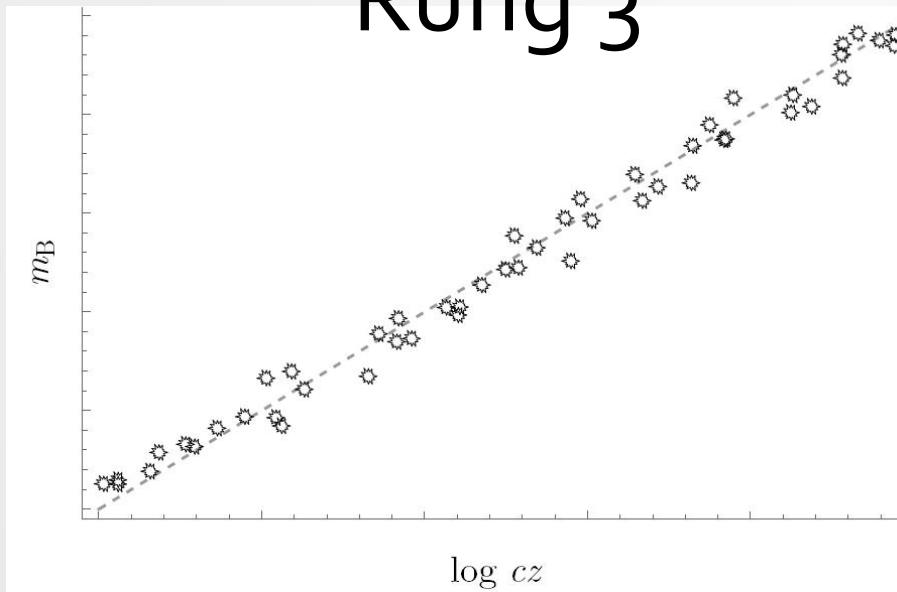


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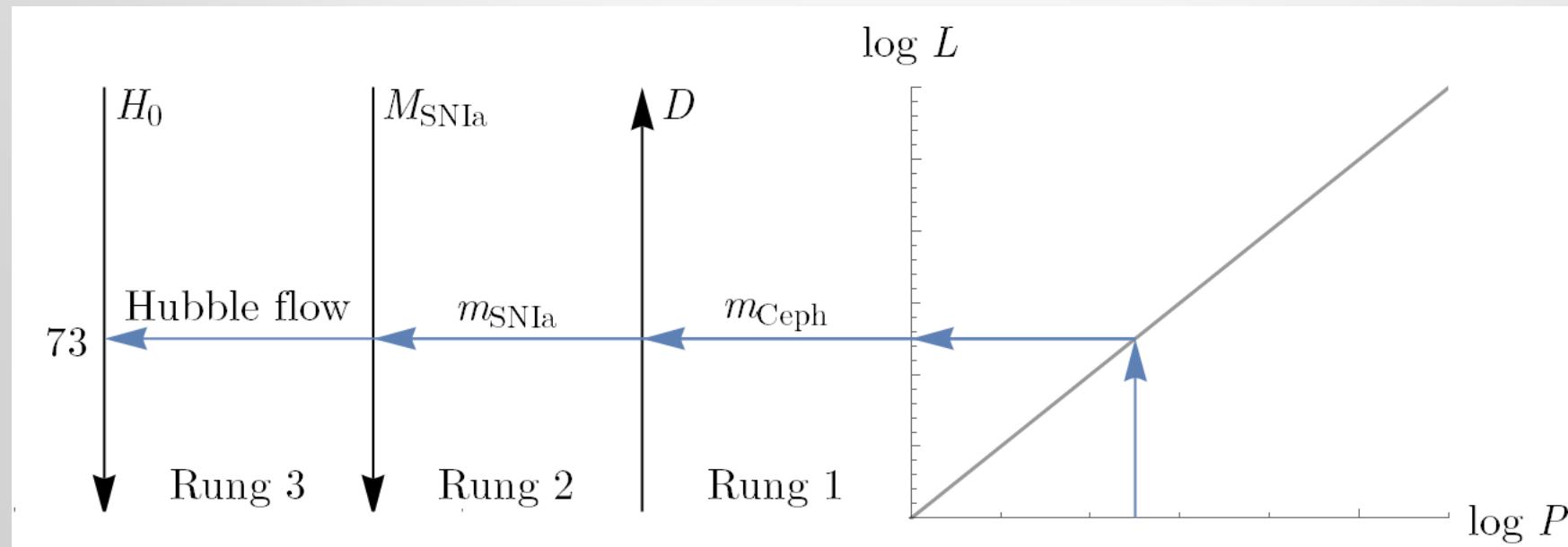
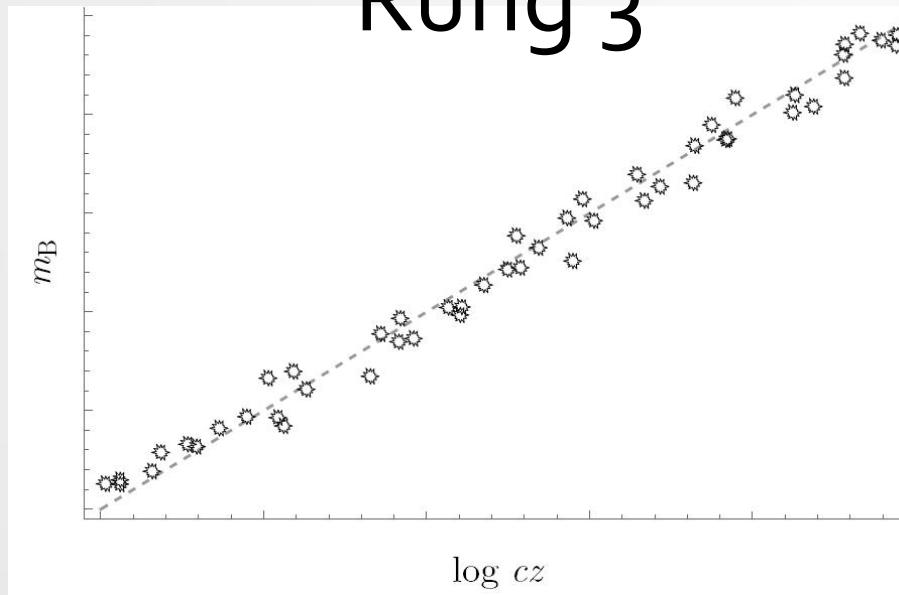
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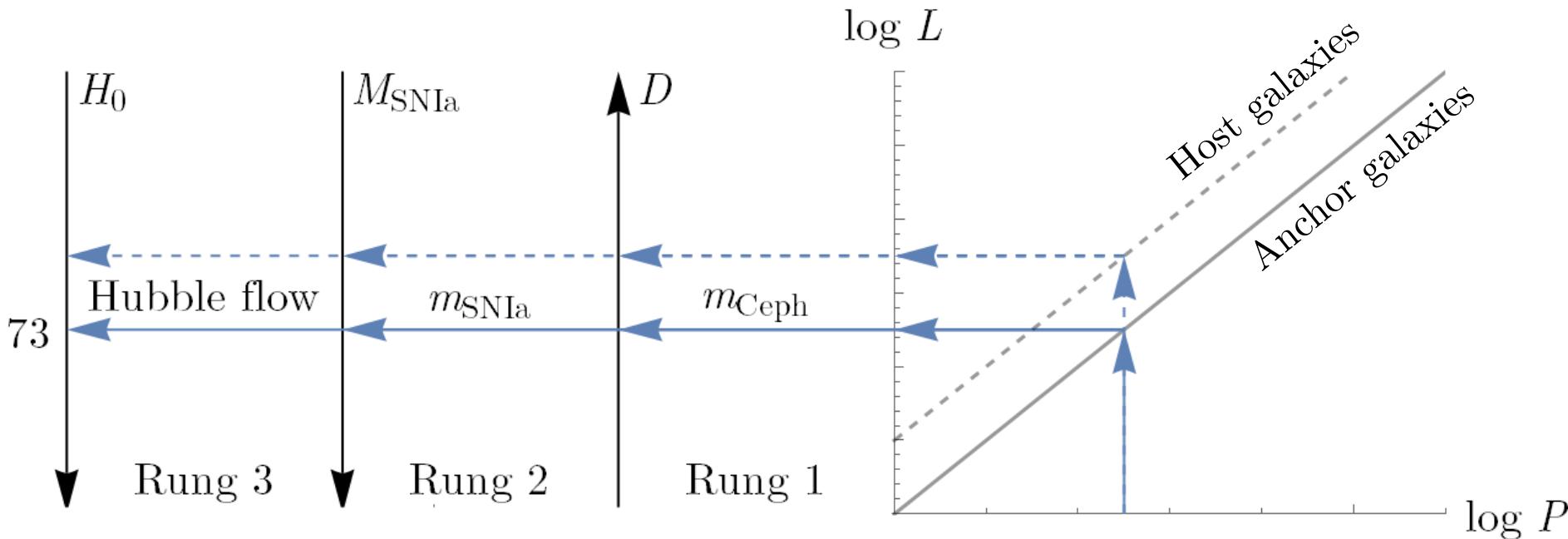
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Recalibrating the distance ladder

- Modified theories of gravity (typically) introduce a fifth force

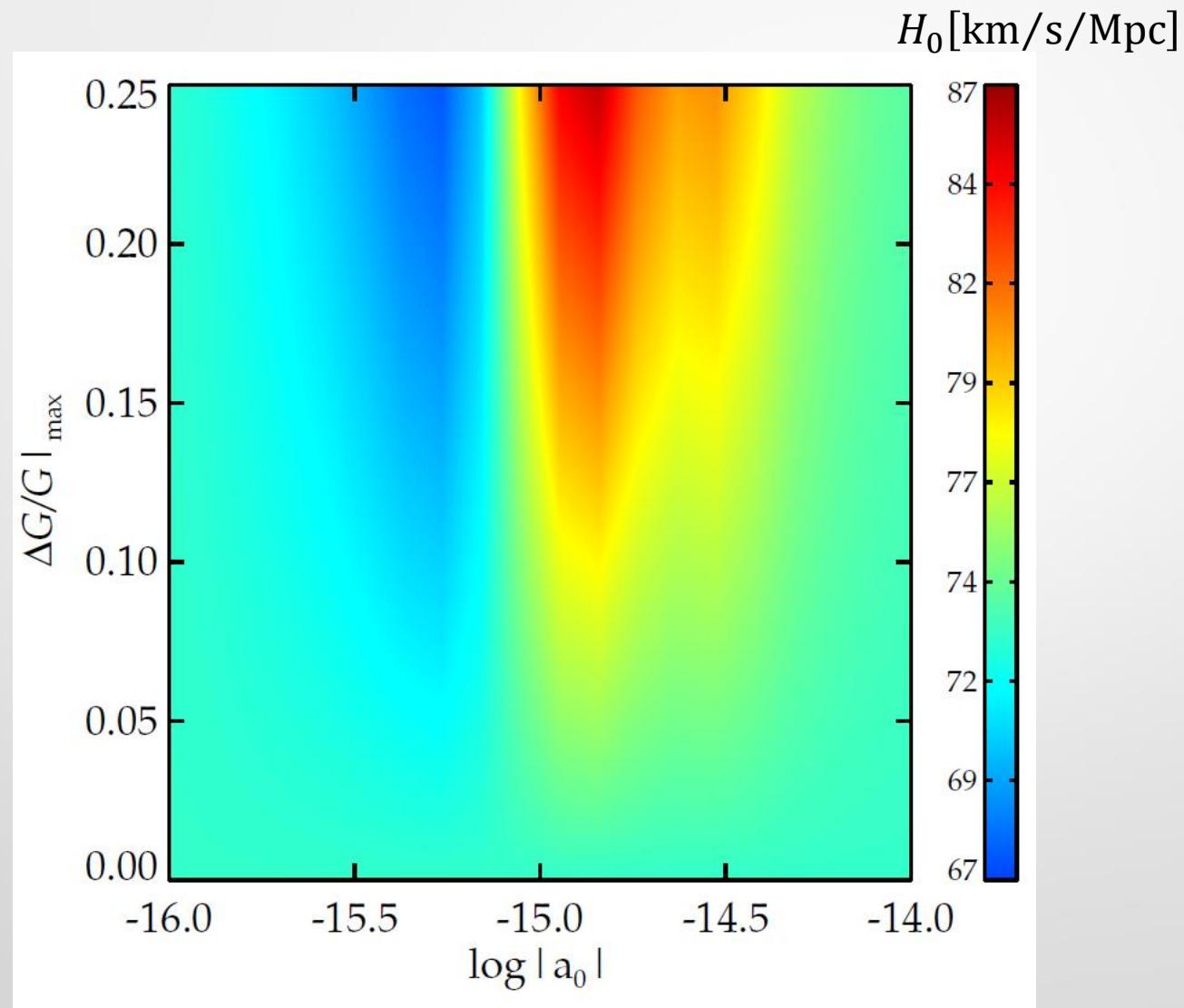
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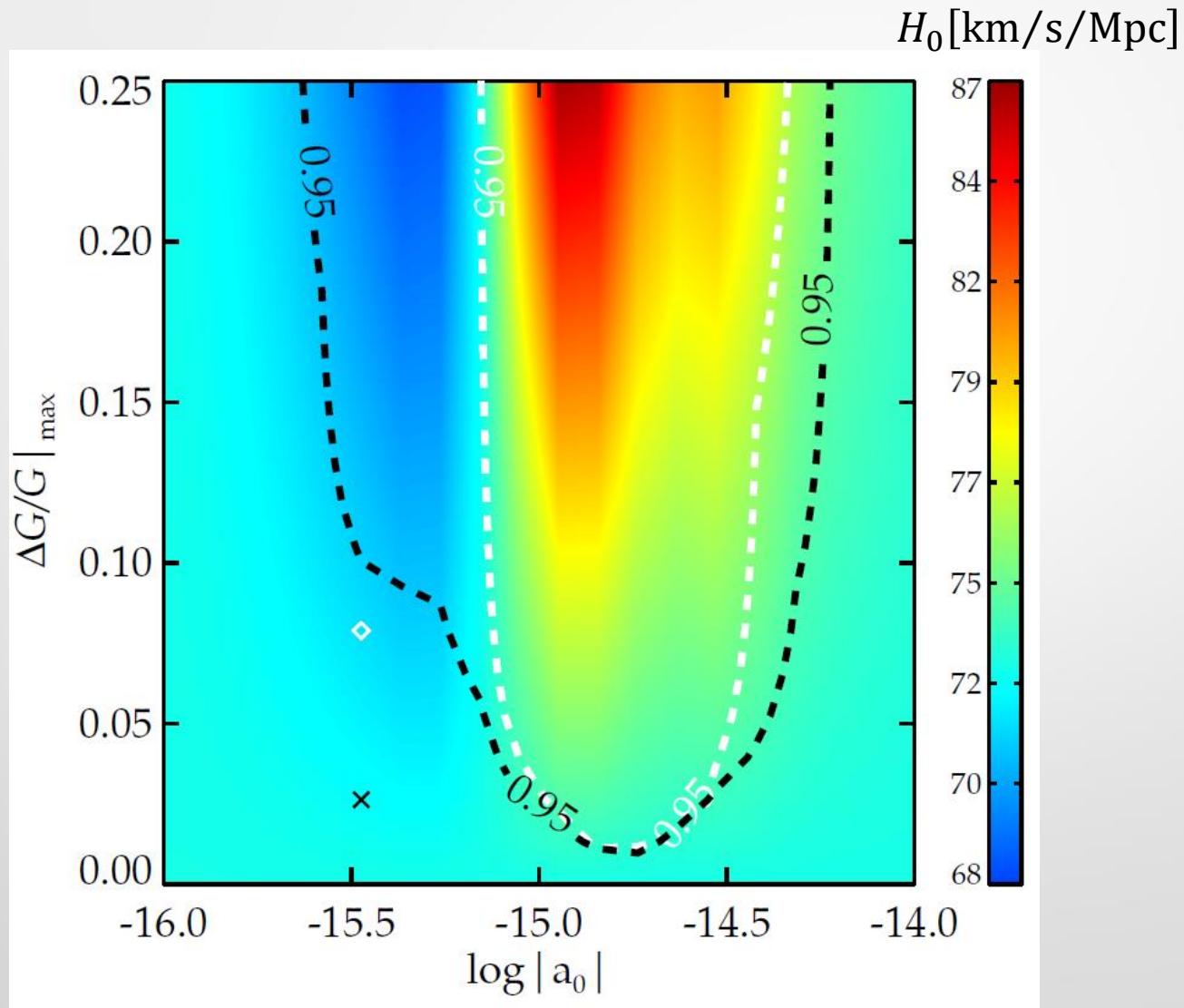
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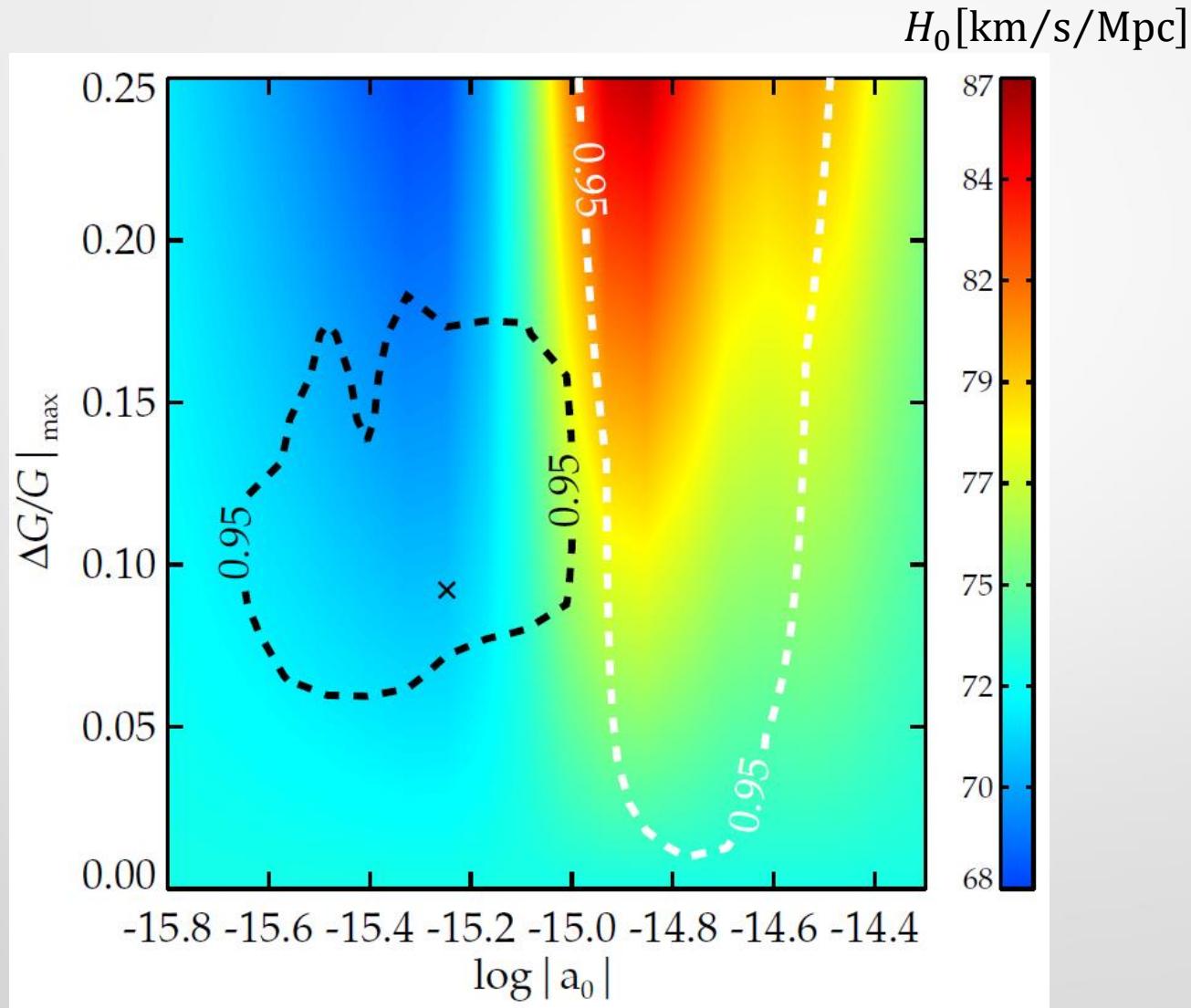


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The distance ladder becomes uncalibrated → no H_0

Recalibrating the distance ladder



Follow-up

- Theoretical motivation: looking for theories which combine observational viability and these fifth force effects on the distance ladder
- The symmetron model has the opposite effect
(arXiv:2303.12827)