

# **SNLS First Year Data Set**

## **From SNe light curves to cosmology**

- Differential Photometry of SNe Ia
- Calibration against Secondary Catalogs
- Results & Numbers
- Distance Estimate from SNe light curves
- SNLS First Year Hubble diagram

# Differential Photometry of SNe light curves

4 steps:

## 1) Treatment of Elixir images:

- Catalog of objects
  - + Background suppression with SExtractor
- Match to Astrometric Catalog to improve WCS
- Computation of weight maps (uses Elixir Flats)
  - 74412 images on disk in CCIN2P3 of fields D1,D2,D3 and D4

## 2) Alignment of images:

- (4 fields) x (4 bands) x (36 CCDs) groups of images aligned to a geometrical reference (the image of best quality, i.e. Best seeing)
- PSF model of reference using Daophot
- PSF match of all images to the reference using Alard method
  - => Photometric alignment to the reference.

## 3) Differential Photometry of all spectroscopically id. SNe Ia.

(more next slides ..)

## 4) Calibration of Photometry against Secondary Catalog

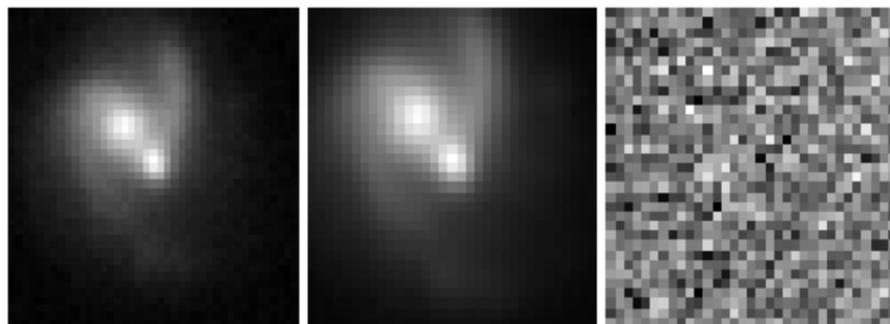
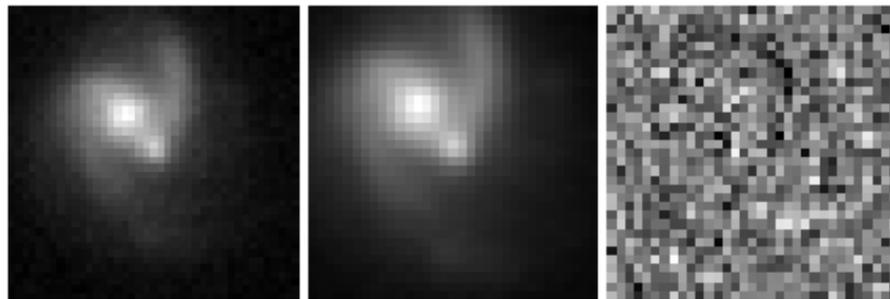
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# Differential Photometry of SNe light curves

## Simultaneous Fit

$$I(x, y) = \text{Flux} \times [\text{Kernel} \otimes \text{PSF}_{\text{best}}](x - x_{sn}, y - y_{sn}) \\ + [\text{Kernel} \otimes \text{Galaxy}_{\text{best}}](x, y) + \text{Sky}$$

- Fit galaxy(i,j) on a vignette (at best resolution)
- Can fit constant background
- Fit accurate Sn position (takes info. of all images)
- Robustification to identify for instance dead pixels
- Needs a set of images a priori without Sn



Data

model

residuals

# Differential Photometry of SNe light curves

## Simultaneous Fit

One photometric point per individual exposure

number of exposures:

D1  $g'=68$   $r'=145$   $i'=192$   $z'=48$

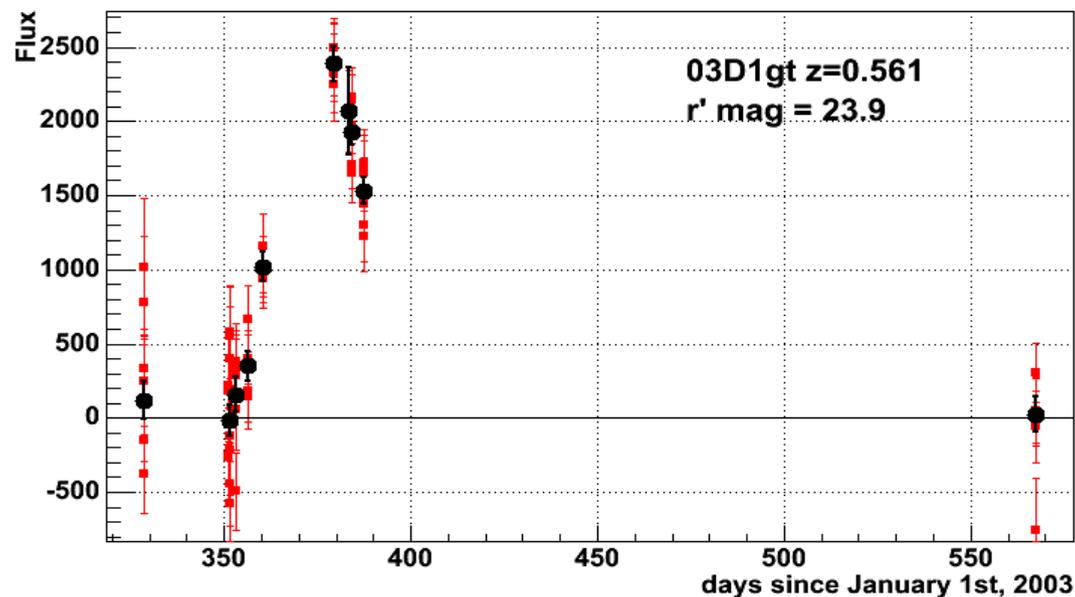
D2  $g'=43$   $r'=69$   $i'=96$   $z'=30$

D3  $g'=112$   $r'=188$   $i'=325$   $z'=103$

D4  $g'=97$   $r'=145$   $i'=202$   $z'=92$

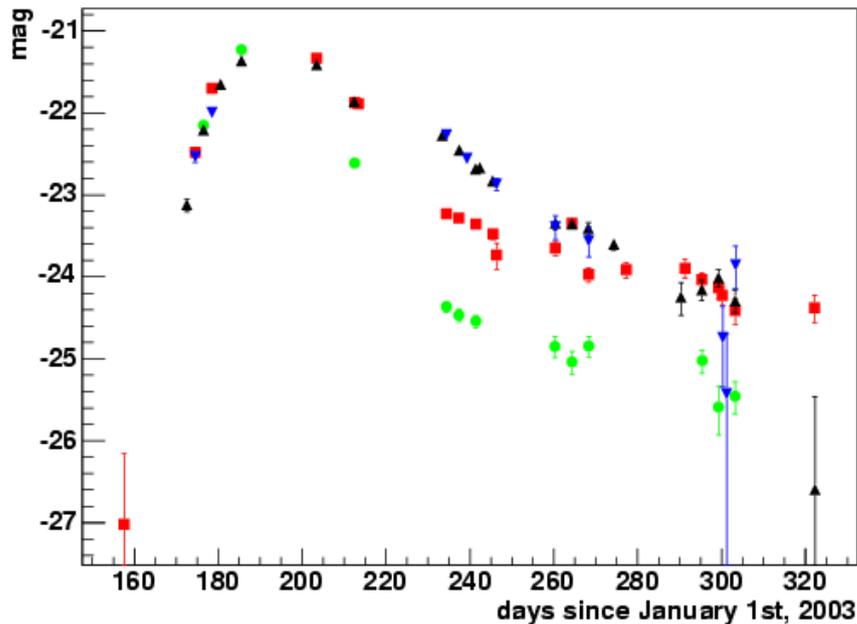
Fit results imposing a constant flux per night

- Use full covariance of fluxes per expo.  
(correlations due to fit of position and galaxy)
- Reject outliers, due for instance to cosmic ray on Sn position



# Differential Photometry of SNe light curves

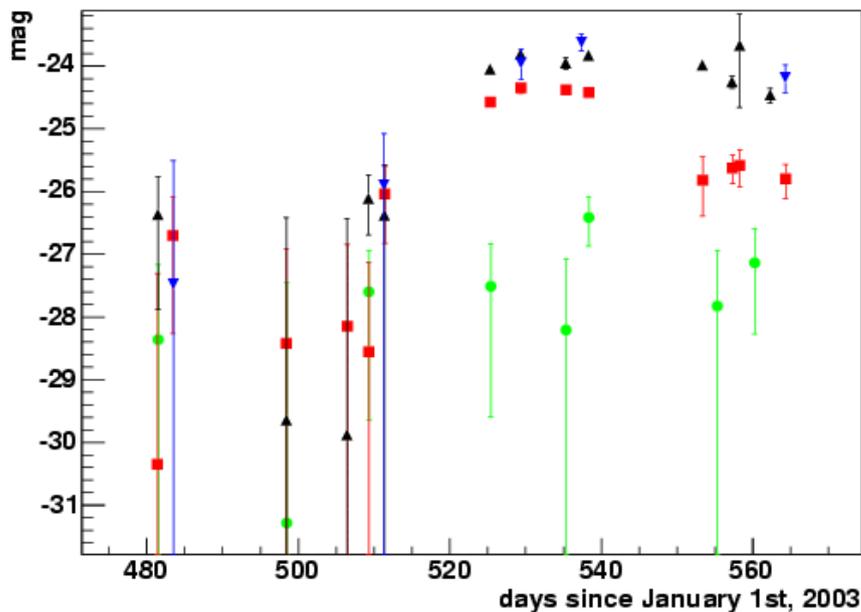
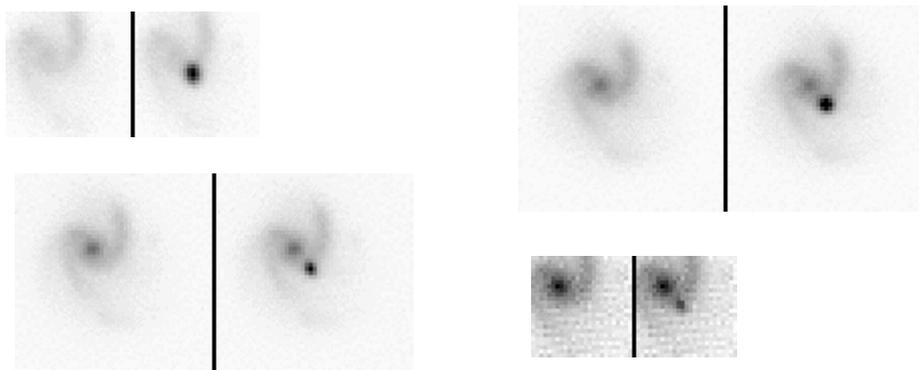
Two examples



**“Nearby” 03D4ag z=0.28**

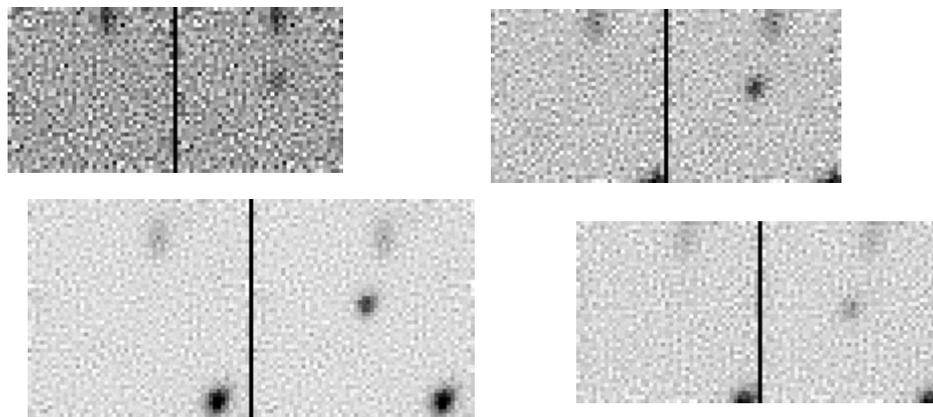
Symbols: g' r' i' z'

Model with/without Sn:



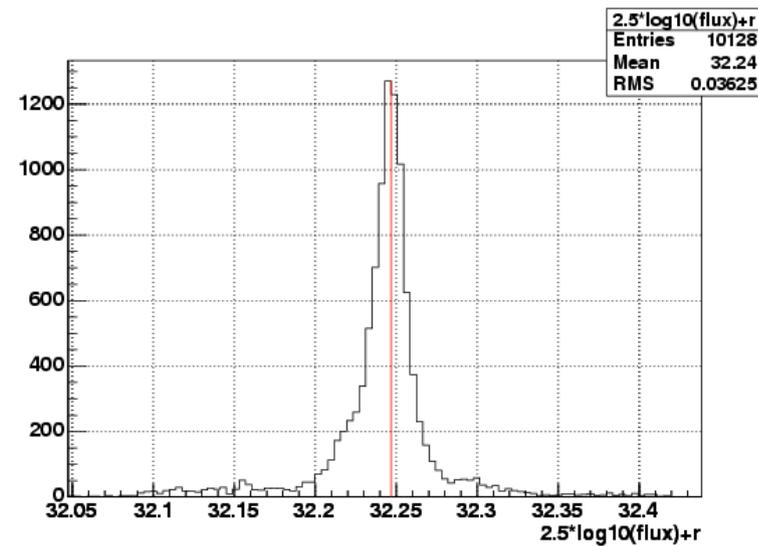
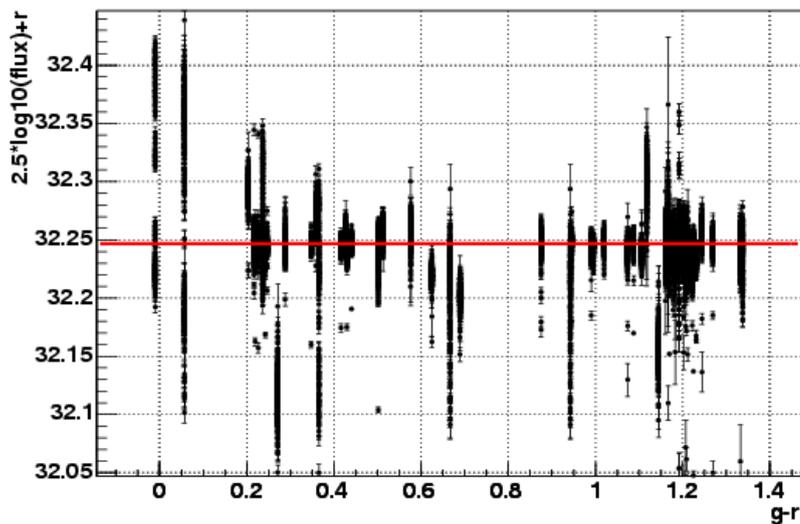
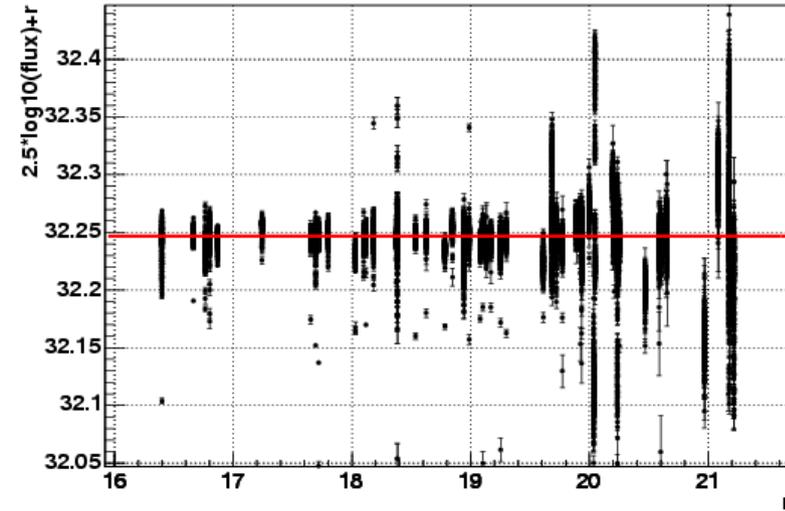
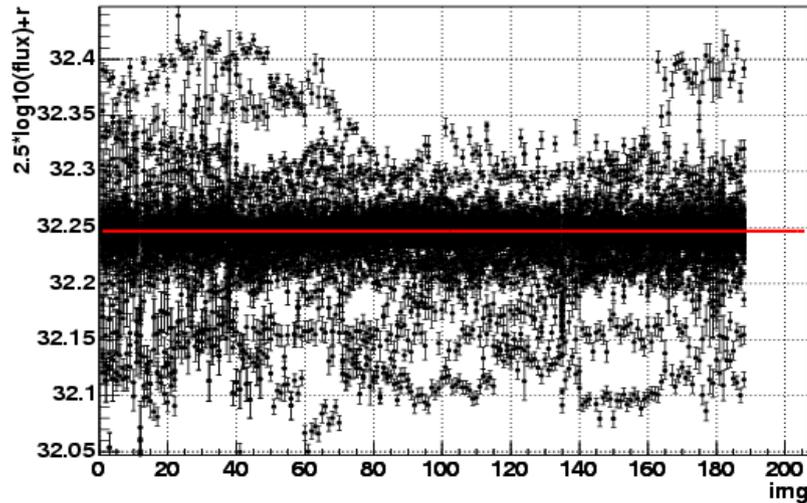
**High z 04D3ml z=0.95**

Model with/without Sn:



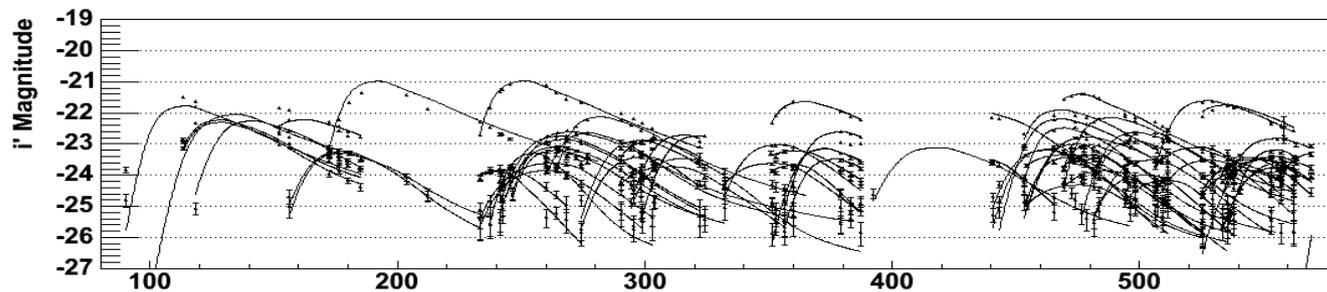
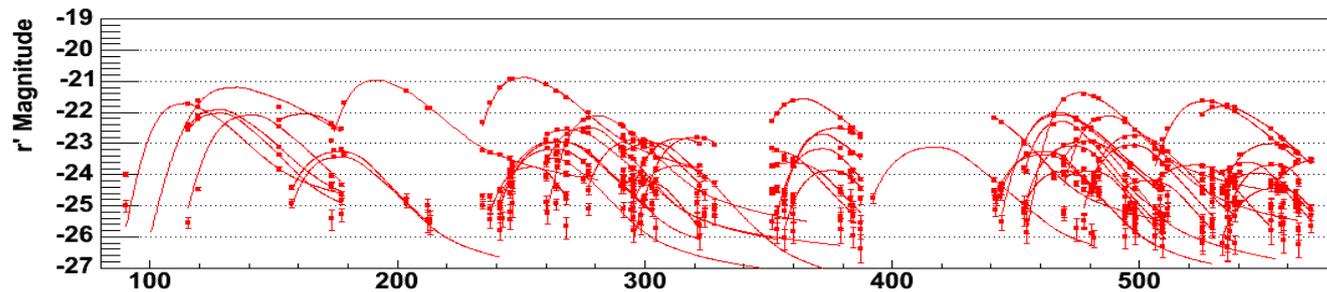
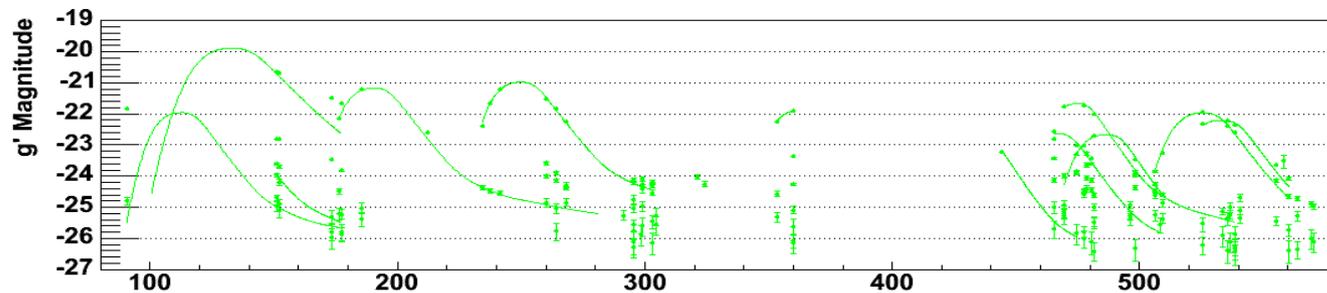
# Calibration against Secondary Catalogs

- Use same photometry as for Sne  
(but force galaxy=0)
- Compute fluxes of all sec. stars in all aligned images
- Fit Zero Point



# Differential Photometry: few numbers

- Analysis of data up to **July, 2004**
- **110** SNe Ia/Ia? with at least one photometric point
- **79** SNe with well sampled light curves
- **59** with lightcurves in at least two MegaCam filters (needed to estimate colors)

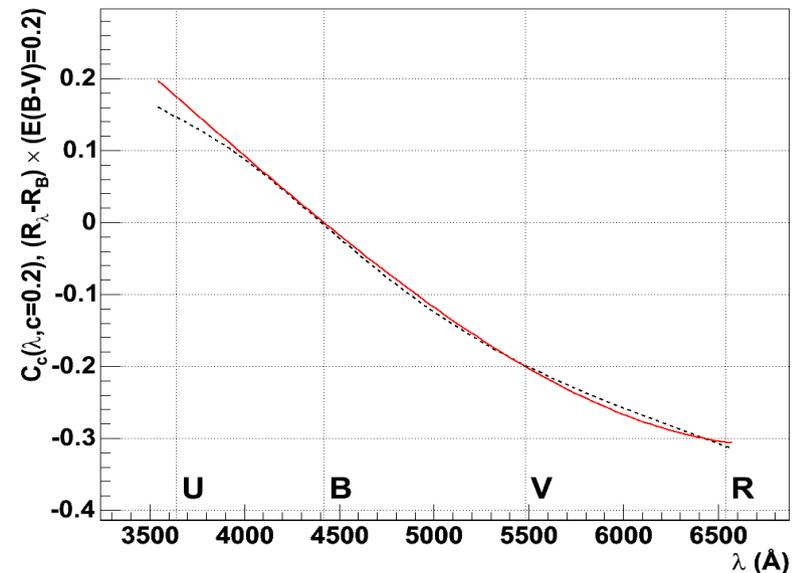
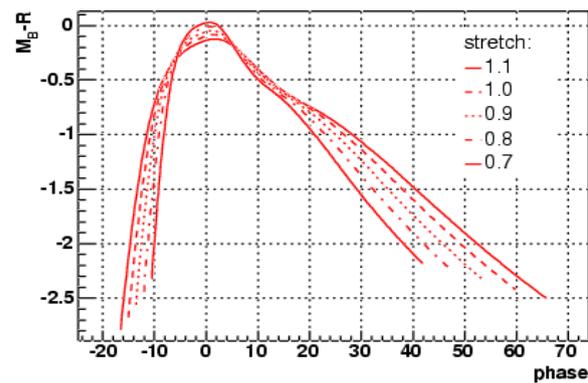
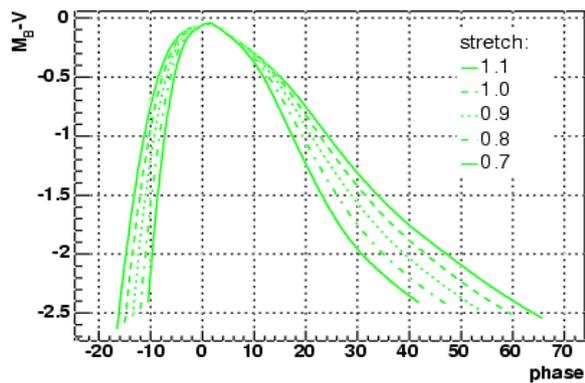
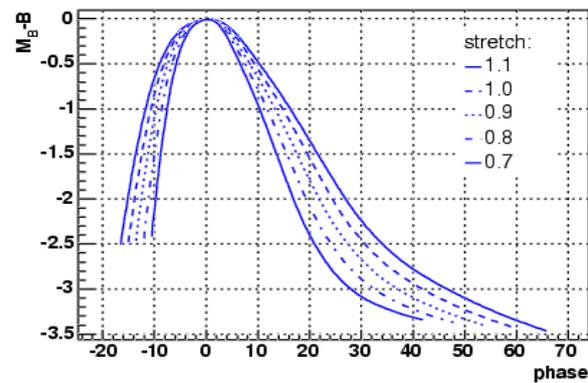
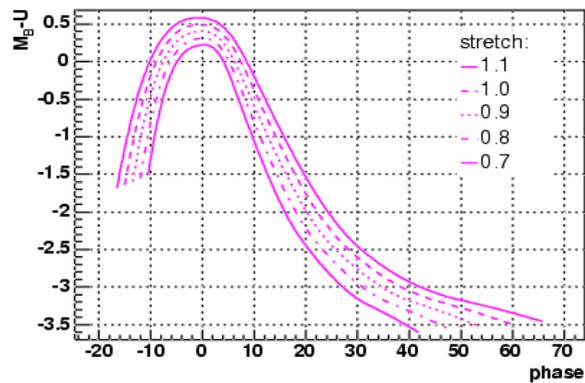


# Multi-color light curve fit with a Spectral Adaptive Light curve Template (SALT)

Model SNe Ia SED as a function of

- **phase** (date with respect to B-band maximum)
- **lambda** (rest-frame wavelength)
- **stretch** (dilatation of phase axis in B-band)
- **color = E(B-V)** at B-band maximum

Trained with a sample of nearby SNe Ia in UBVR



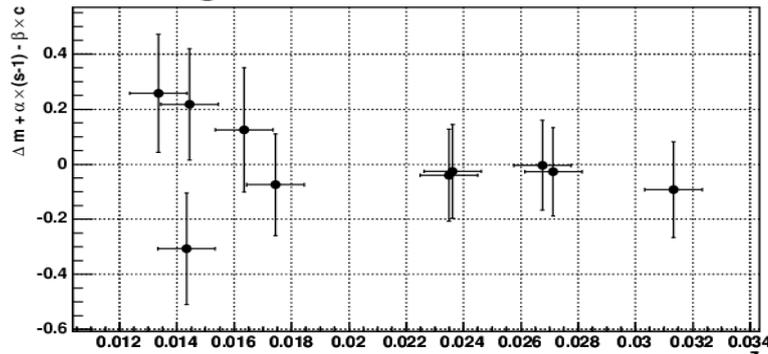
# Distance Estimate with SALT

For each SN, the fit leads to 3 parameters:  
global intensity ( $m_B$ ), stretch ( $s$ ), color ( $c$ )

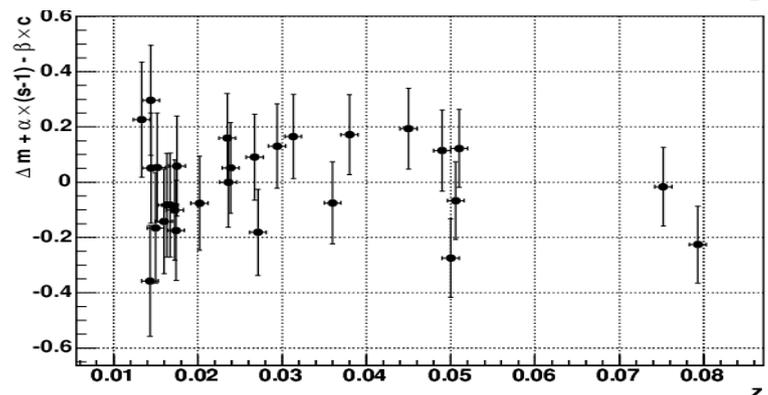
Distance estimate:

$$m_B(z) - M'_B - \alpha (s - 1) + \beta c = 5 \log_{10} \left( \frac{d_L H_0}{c} \right)$$

On a test sample of nearby SNe,  
using either U+B or B+V bands

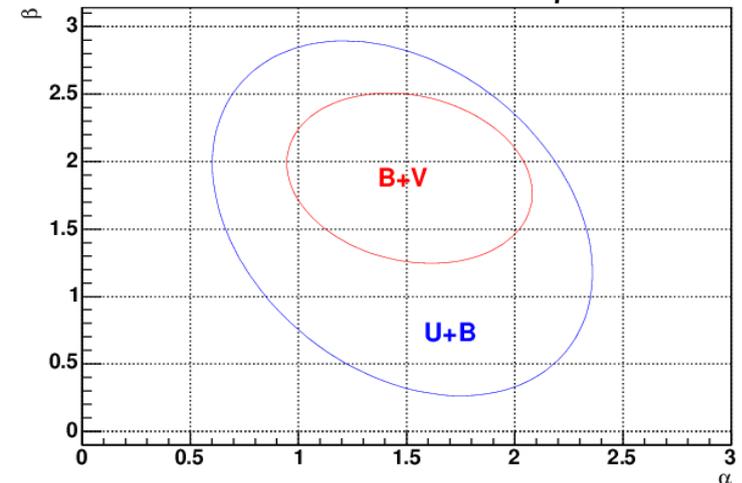


Residuals to  
Hubble Diagram  
in **U+B**

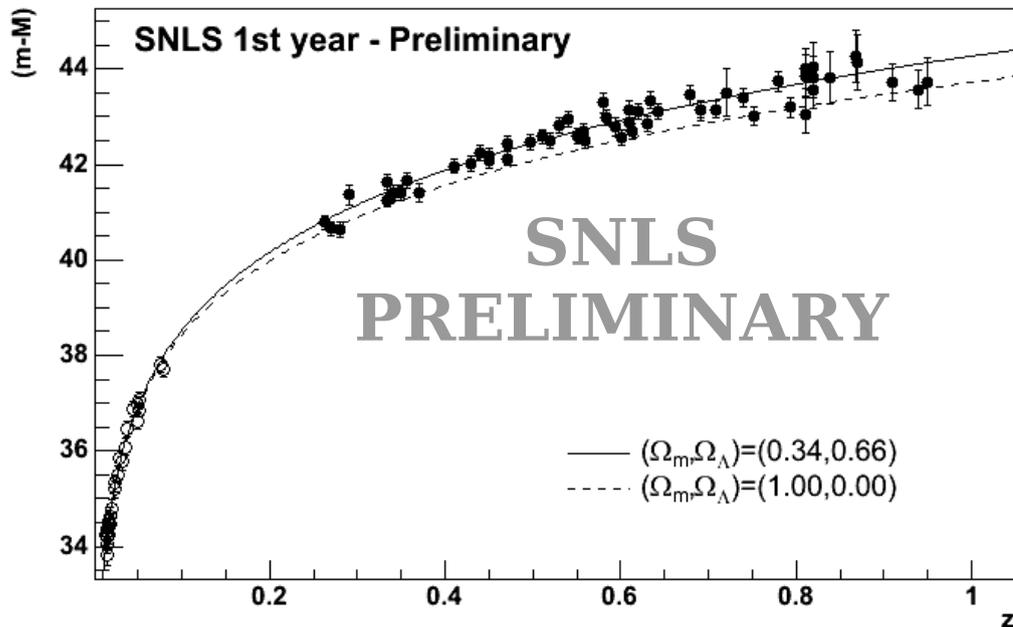


in **B+V**

68 % C.L. for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$



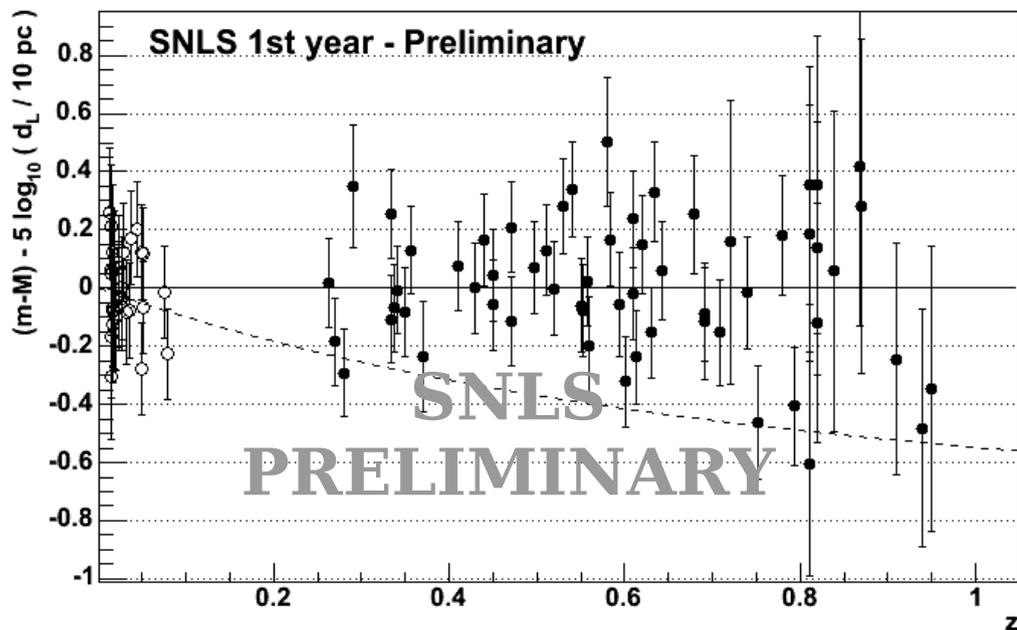
# Hubble diagram of SNLS 1<sup>st</sup> Year



Distances estimated with  
 $\alpha=1.5$   $\beta=1.8$   $M'=23.8$

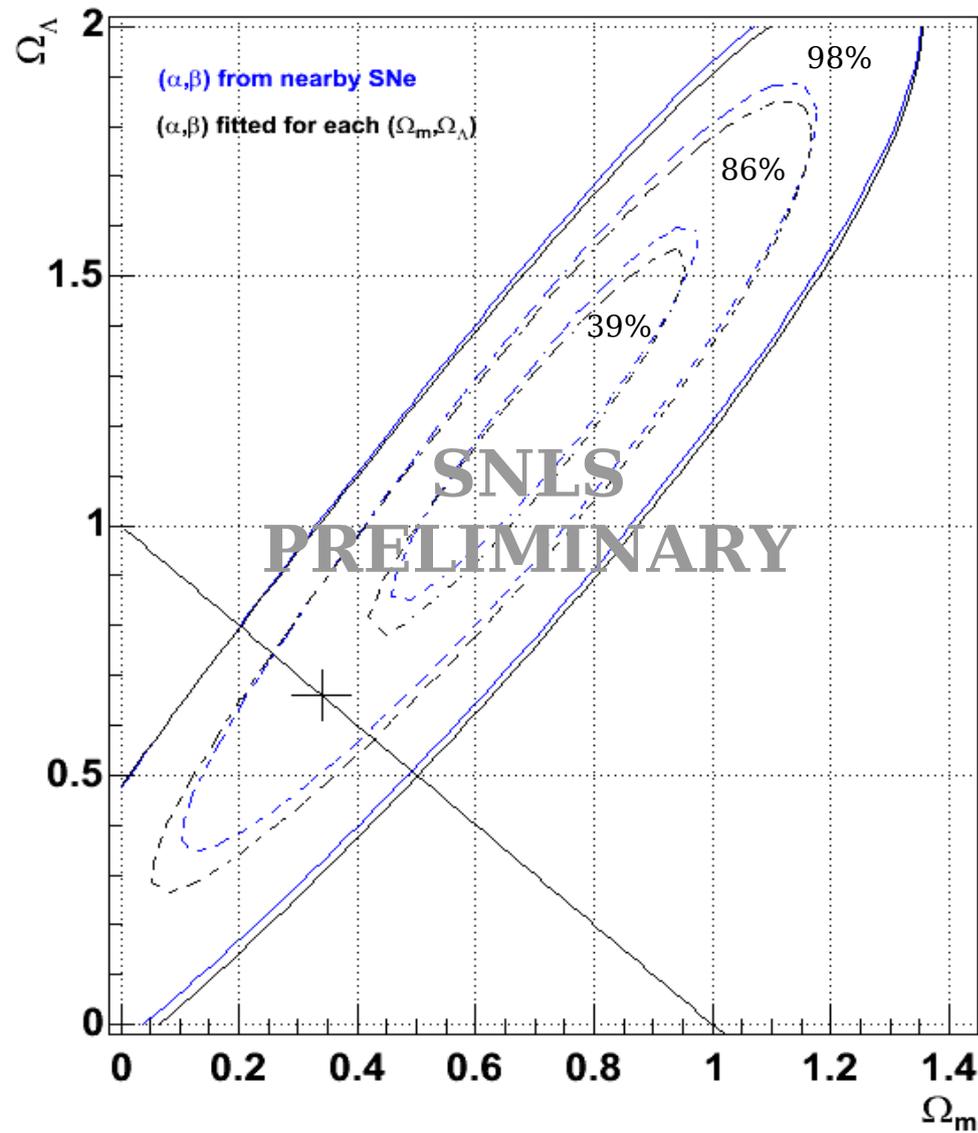
$\chi^2=1$  for an additional intrinsic dispersion of **0.15 mag**.

Errors take into account covariance matrix of fitted parameters  $m_B, s, c$ .

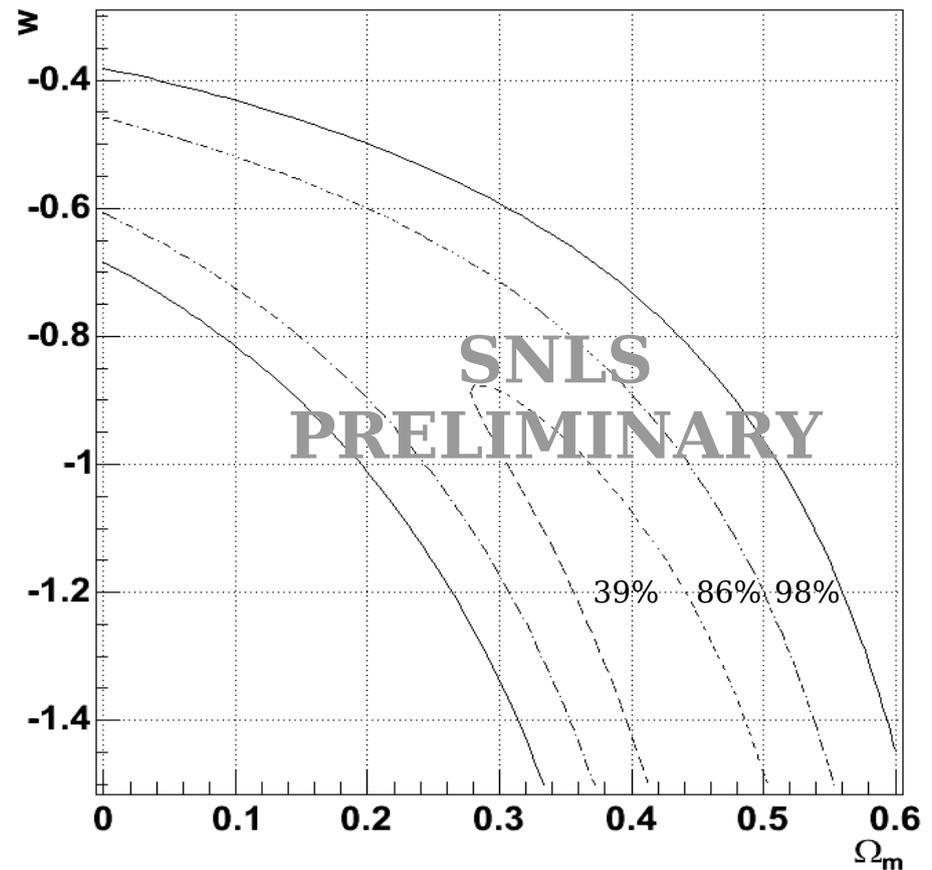


Next, cosmological fit -->

# Cosmological parameters

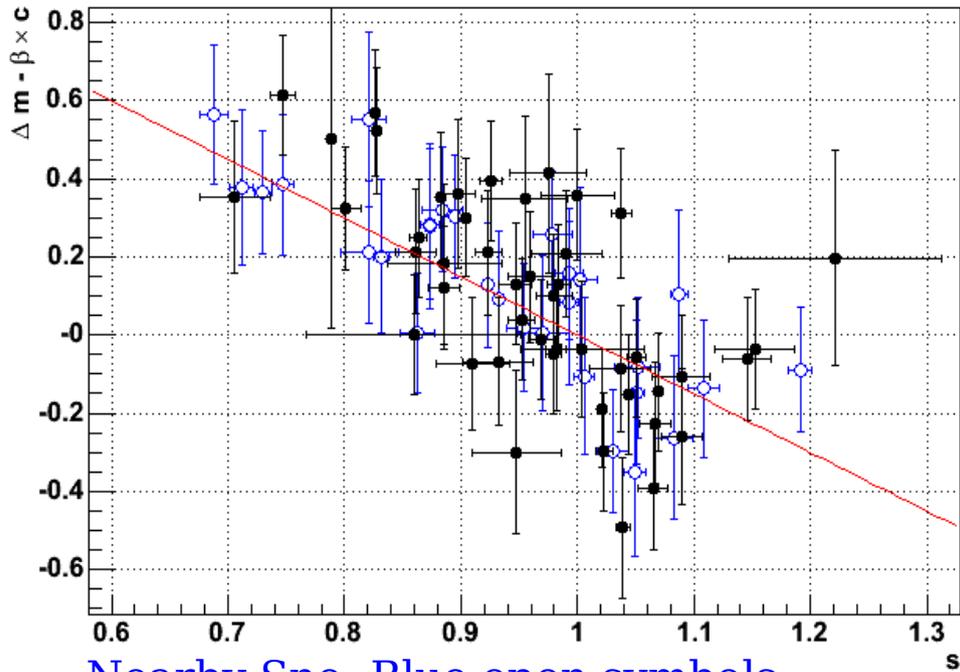


Best fit for  $\Omega_T = 1$  and  $w = -1$  (cosmological constant):  
 $\Omega_M = 0.34 \pm 0.05$

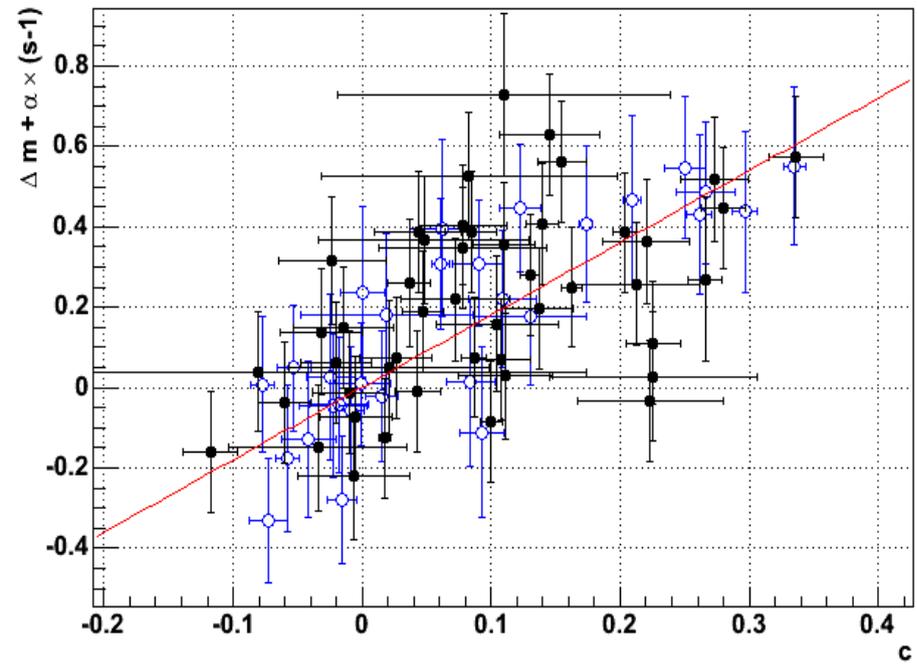


# Comparison of Nearby & SNLS SNe Ia

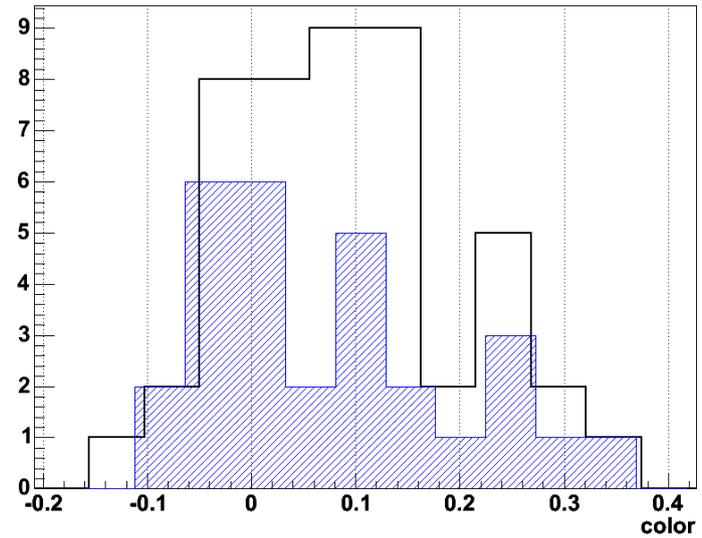
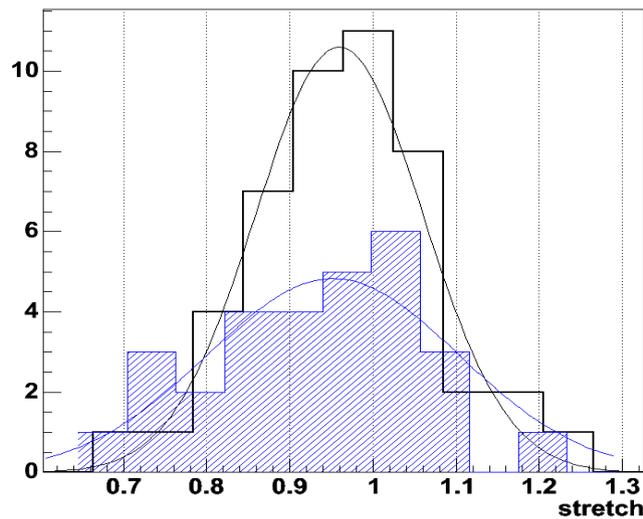
Brighter - slower



Brighter - bluer



Nearby SNe: Blue open symbols  
SNLS SNe: Black filled symbols



# About $z > 0.8$ supernovae

- $r'$  corresponds to rest-frame far UV  
=> cannot be used to estimate distances  
=> fit with  $i'$  and  $z'$  light curves only
- Large errors on  $z'$  magnitudes:
  - Exposure time  $z' = 1/2 i'$
  - Number of exposures  $z' = 1/2 i'$
  - Instrument sensitivity  $z' \ll i'$   
=> at  $z=0.9$  (03D4ai),  $\sigma(i')=0.03$  mag,  $\sigma(z')=0.1$  mag
- Rest-frame wavelength lever arm of  $i'-z' = 1/2 (B-V)$   
=>  $\sigma(B-V)_{\text{restframe}} = 2 \sigma(i'-z')$   
=> error on distance modulus =  $\beta \sigma(B-V) = 0.4$  mag !
  - We have to model SNe Ia SED in far UV
  - **We need more stat in  $z'$**

# To Conclude

We are on a good track ...

Confirmation of acceleration of expansion.

Better than Perlmutter (98) & Riess (99) -> use color-corrected distance estimate without prior on color.

Papers in preparation:

- 1<sup>st</sup> year Gemini spectroscopy
- 1<sup>st</sup> year VLT spectroscopy
- 1<sup>st</sup> year Cosmology

Time sampling critical

no small gaps (for light curve fit accuracy)

no large gaps (many SNe lost, ex: MegaCam failure, MOS)

=> 1 month off = 2 month equivalent of stat. lost

Need more  $z'$

Current precision marginal at redshift > 0.8

But needed for cosmology !

Many systematics to study: selection bias, rise time ...