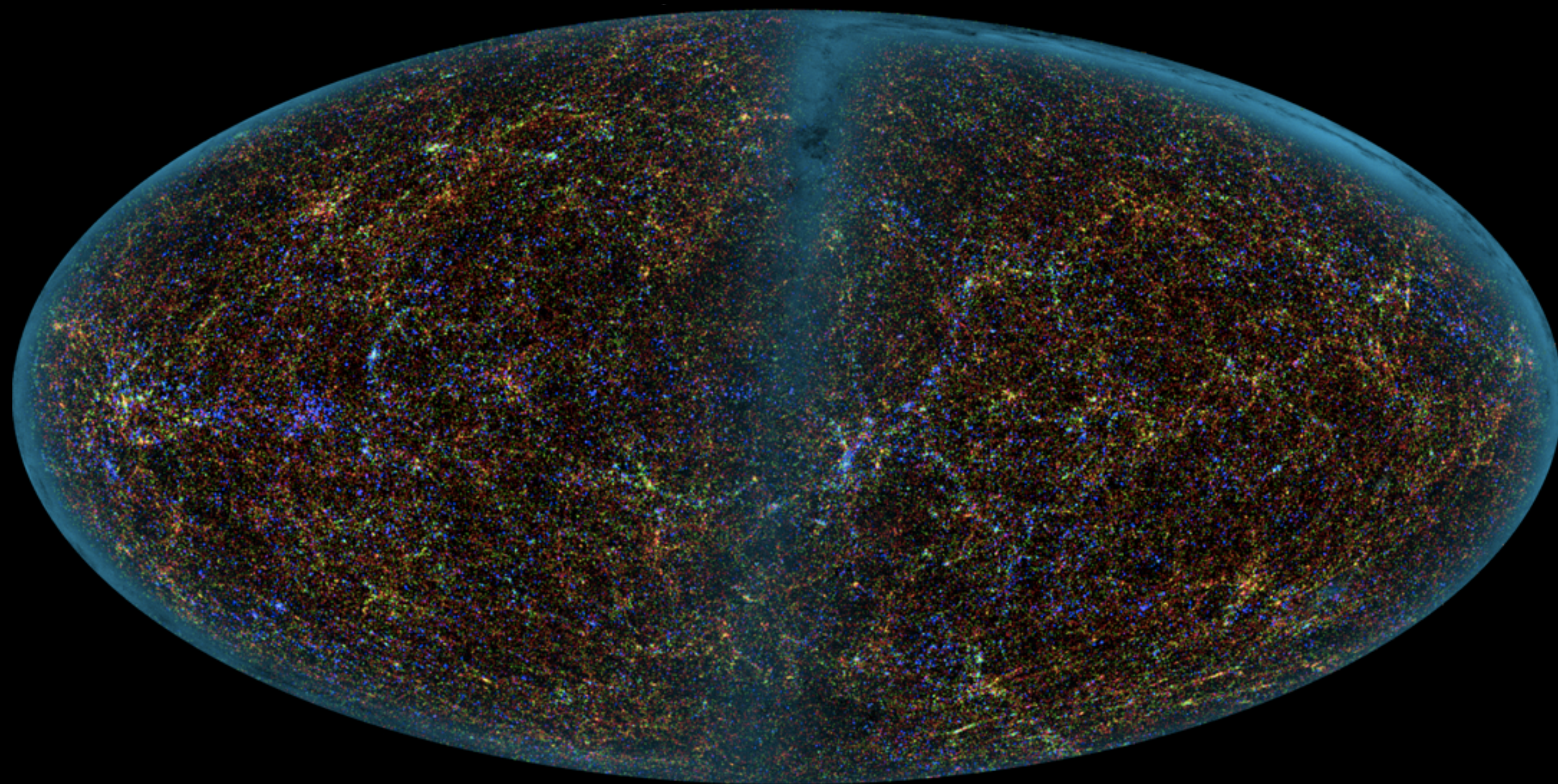


# Cosmology

## and Large Scale Structure



Today  
Observational Tests

Luminosity Distance-redshift

e.g., Type Ia SN

Angular size-redshift

Number Counts

e.g., Galaxy  $N(m)$ ,  $N(z)$

homework 2 due next time

# Observational Tests

## Five Classic Tests

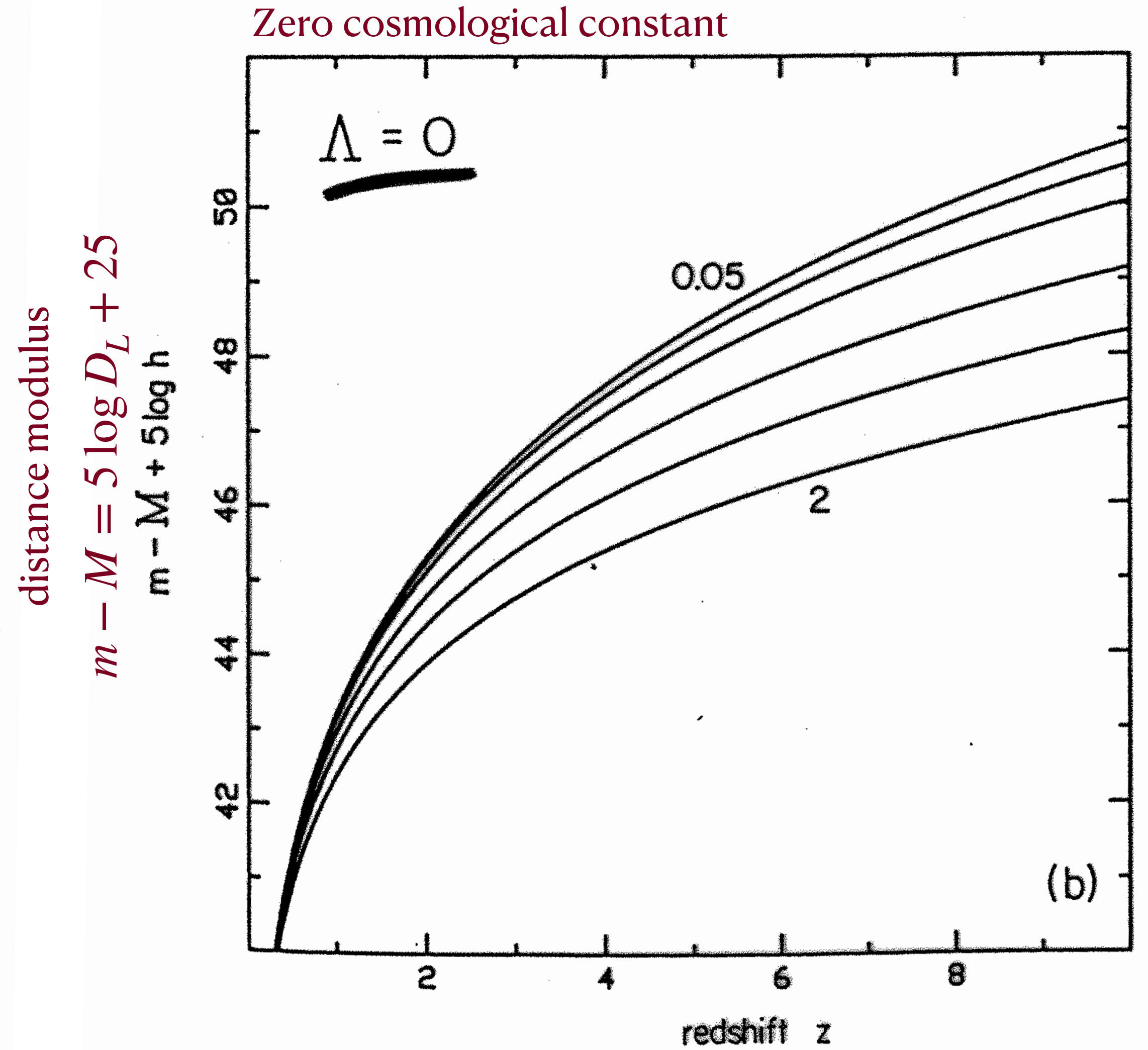
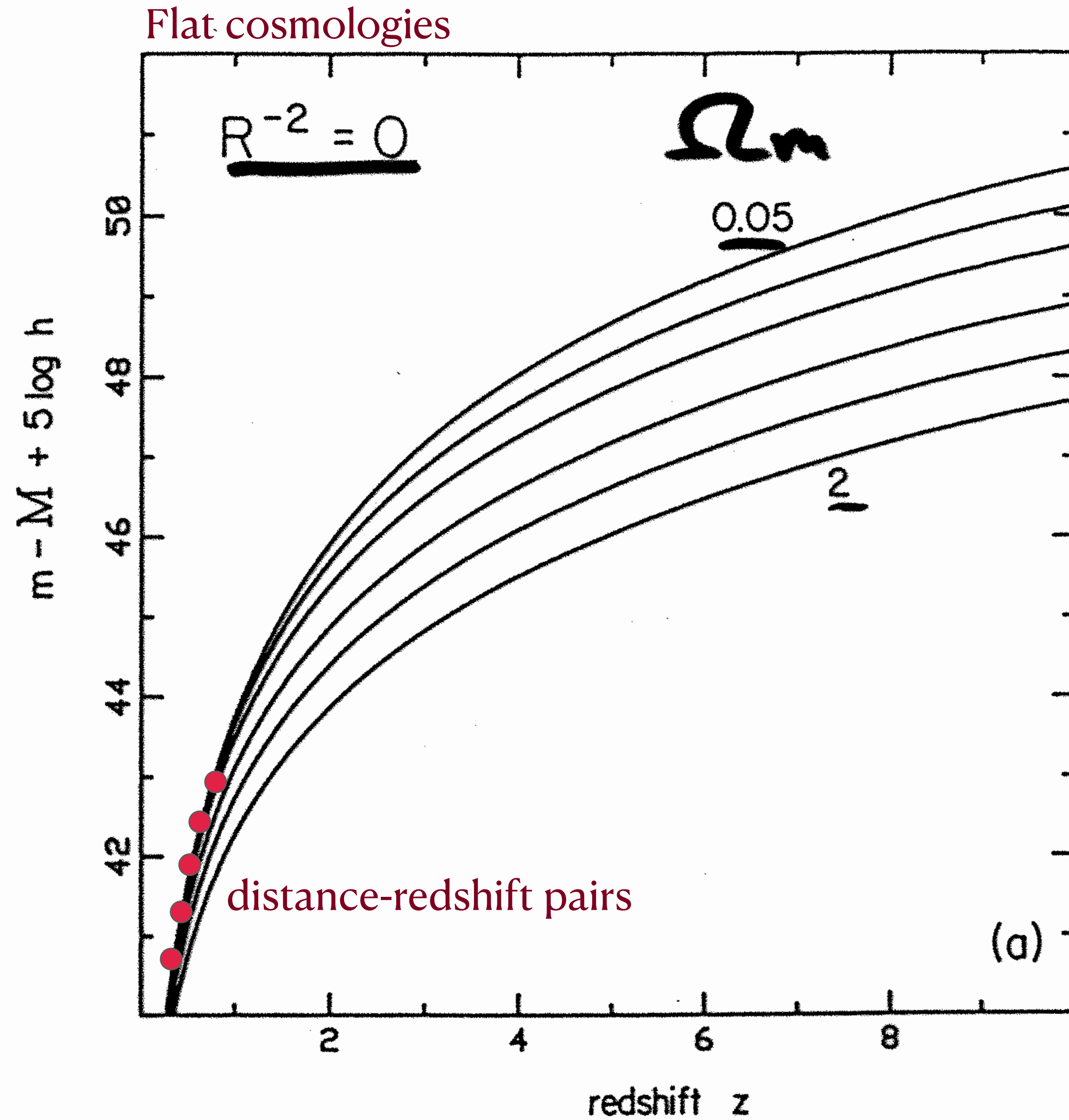
- Luminosity-redshift relation  $D_L - z$  Standard Candle
- Angular size-redshift relation  $D_A - z$  Standard Rod
- Number-redshift relation  $N(z)$  Source counts with redshift
- Number-magnitude relation  $N(m)$  Source counts with magnitude
- Tolman test  $\Sigma(z)$  Surface brightness not distance independent in Robertson-Walker geometry

Other tests are possible. E.g., one could in principle make an age-redshift test - if one could confidently measure ages of objects at cosmic distances.

- Luminosity-redshift relation

Luminosity Distance-redshift relations

Figure 13.6. Bolometric distance modulus  $m - M + 5 \log h$  as a function of redshift. The parameters are arranged as in figure 13.1.



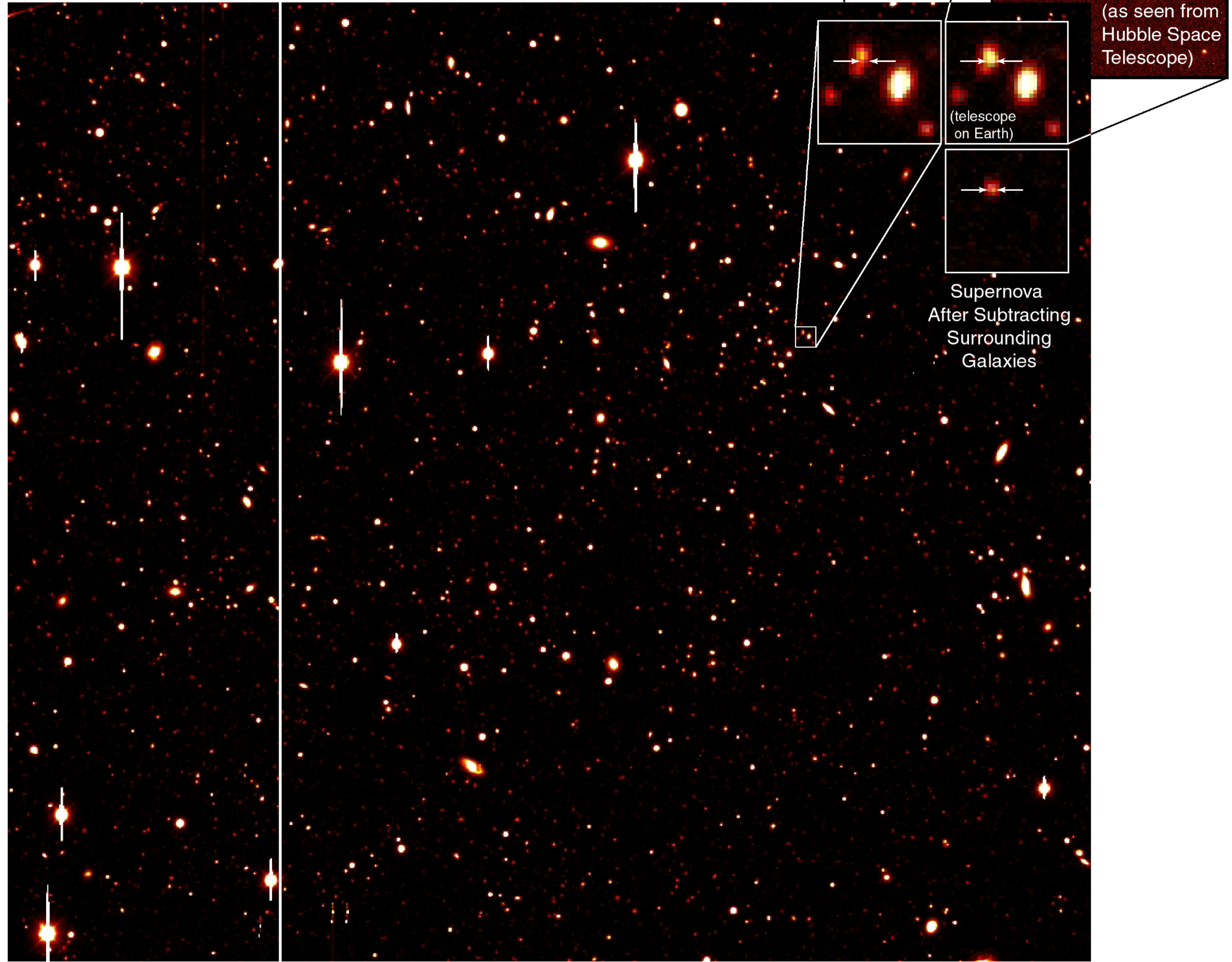
## Example Standard Candle:

- Type Ia Supernovae

Survey wide swath of sky, imaging repeatedly over many nights, looking for change. If you look at enough galaxies, you'll see SN go off.



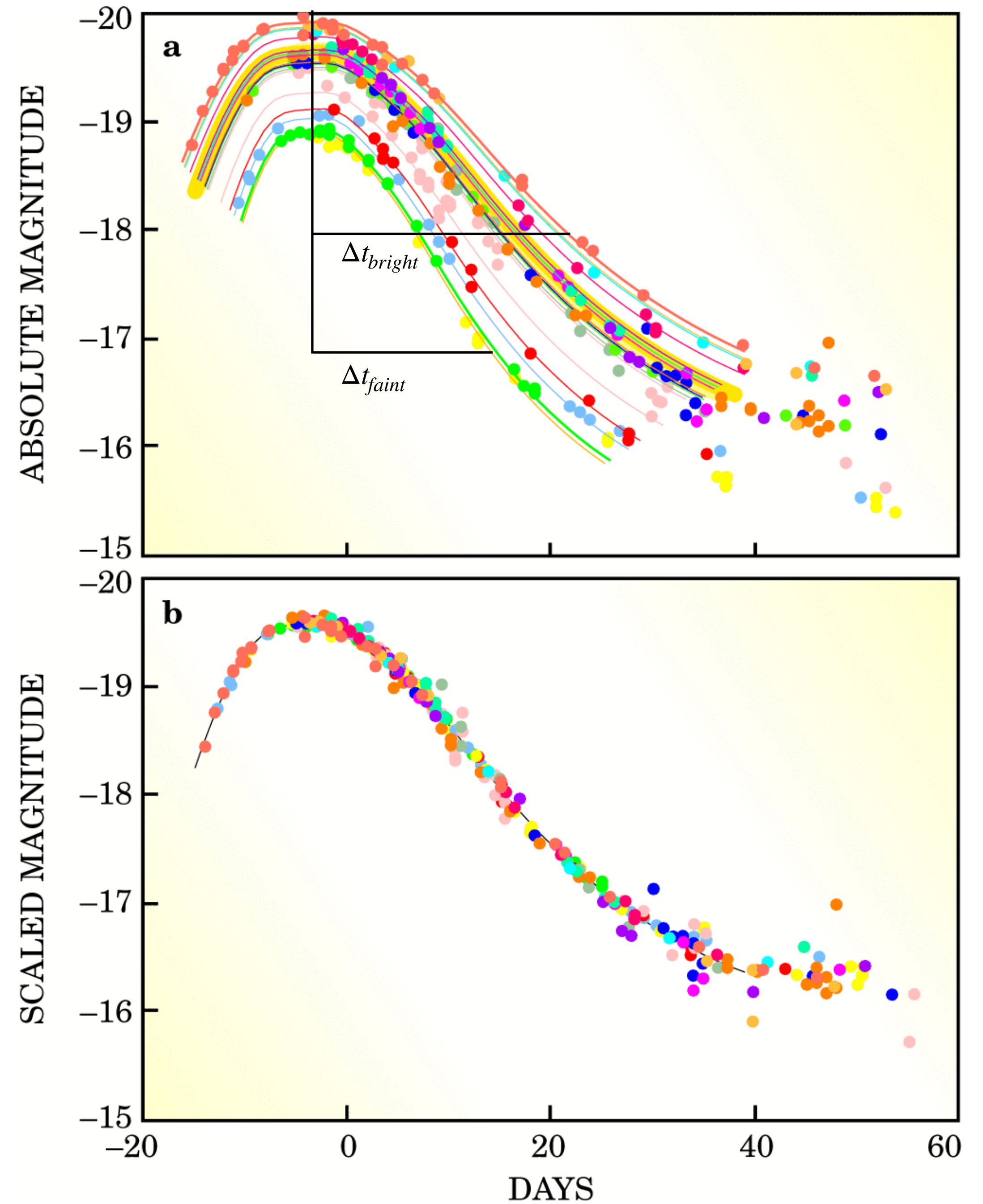
Perlmutter et al. (1998)



$$M_{max,corr} = M_{max,obs} + f(\Delta t)$$

Type Ia SN not quite standard candles,  
but standardizable: the peak brightness  
correlates with rest-frame decay time.

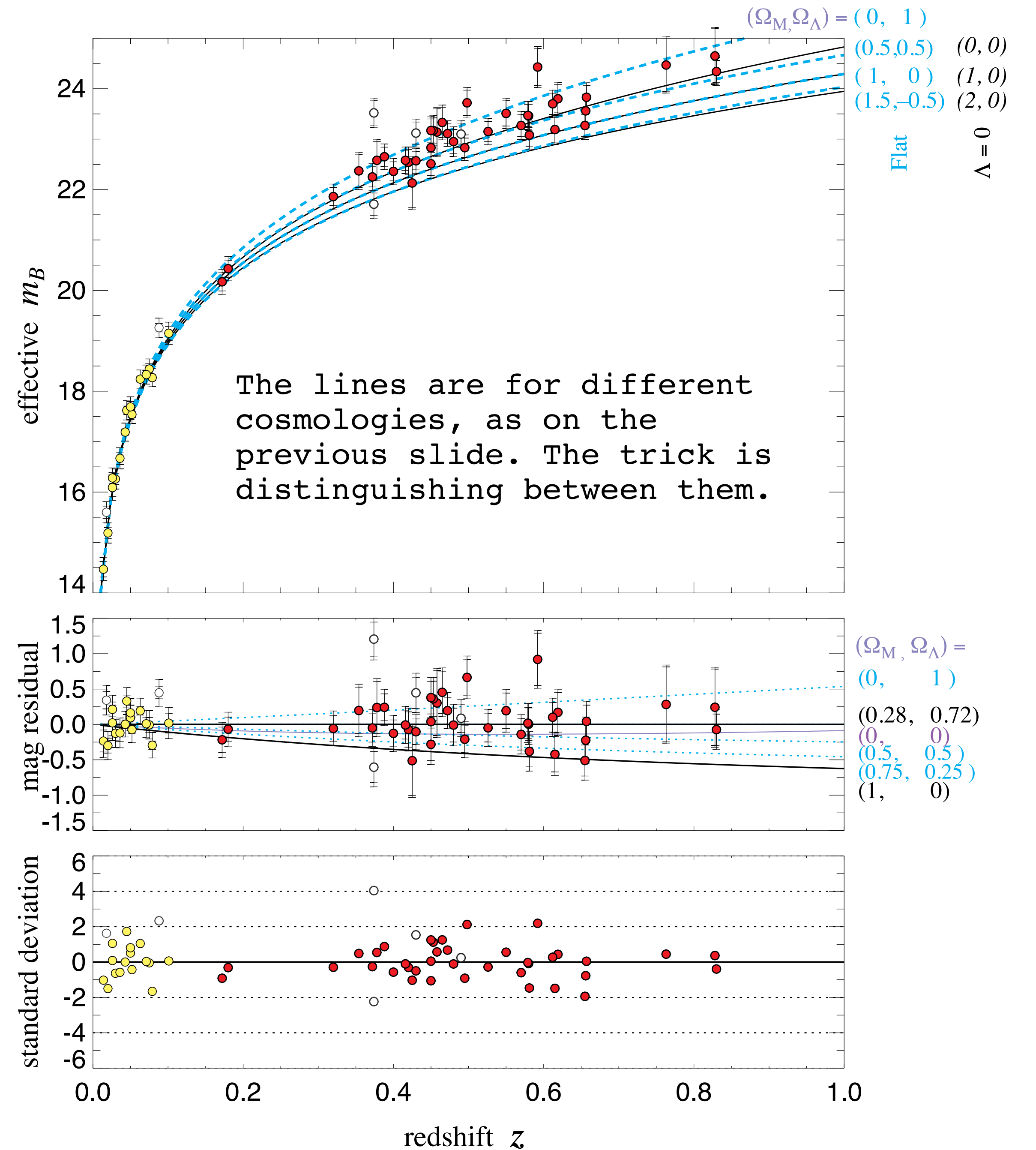
$$m_{max,corr} = M_{max,corr} - 5 \log H_0 + 25 + 5 \log \left( cz \left( 1 + \frac{1 - q_0}{2} z \right) \right)$$



- Luminosity-redshift relation

Hubble diagram  
 apparent magnitude vs. redshift  
 equivalent to distance modulus for standard candle  
 (M constant)

This example for Type Ia SN from the  
 Supernova Cosmology Project  
 (won the Nobel Prize in Physics in 2011)

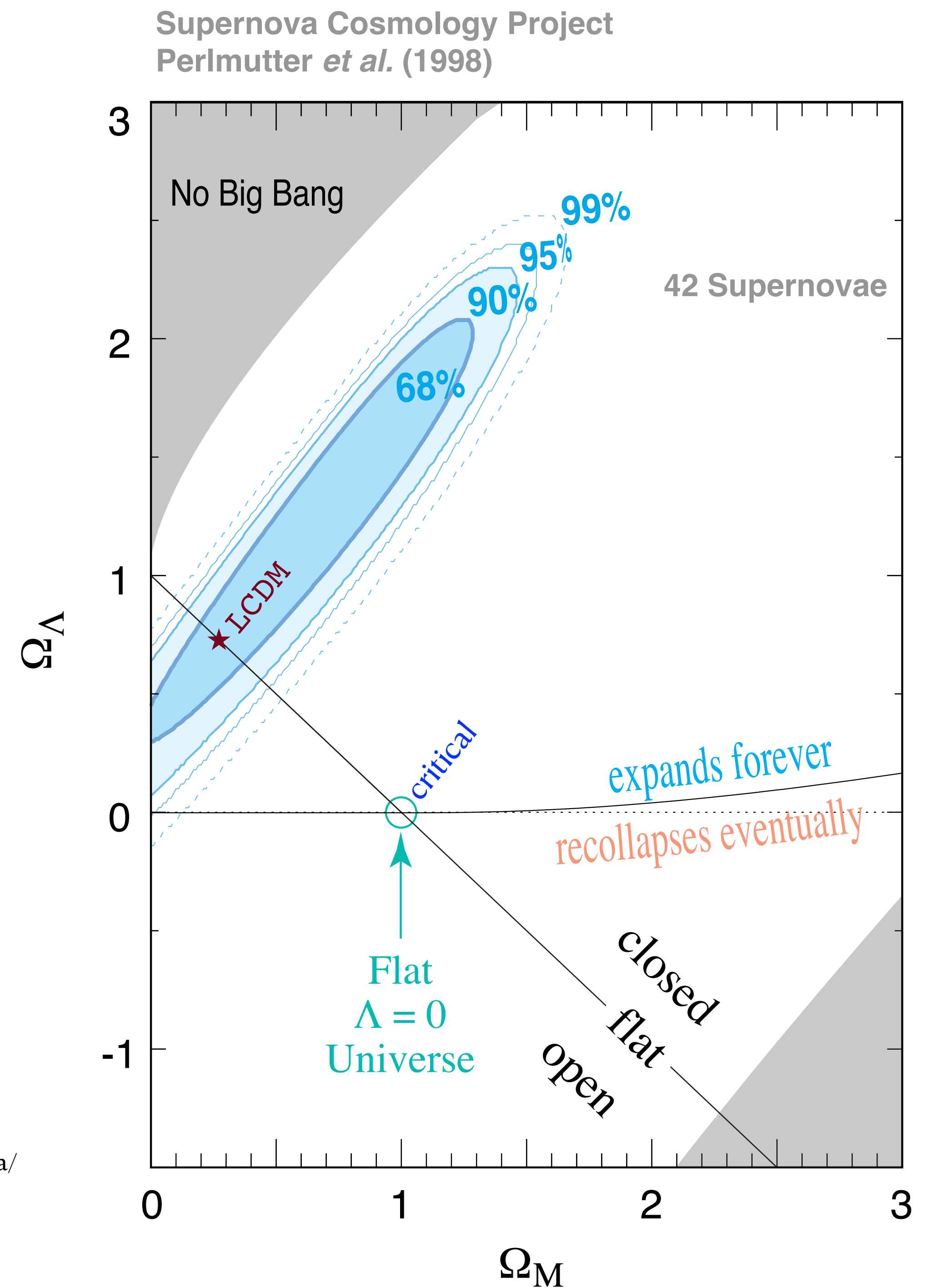


- Luminosity-redshift relation

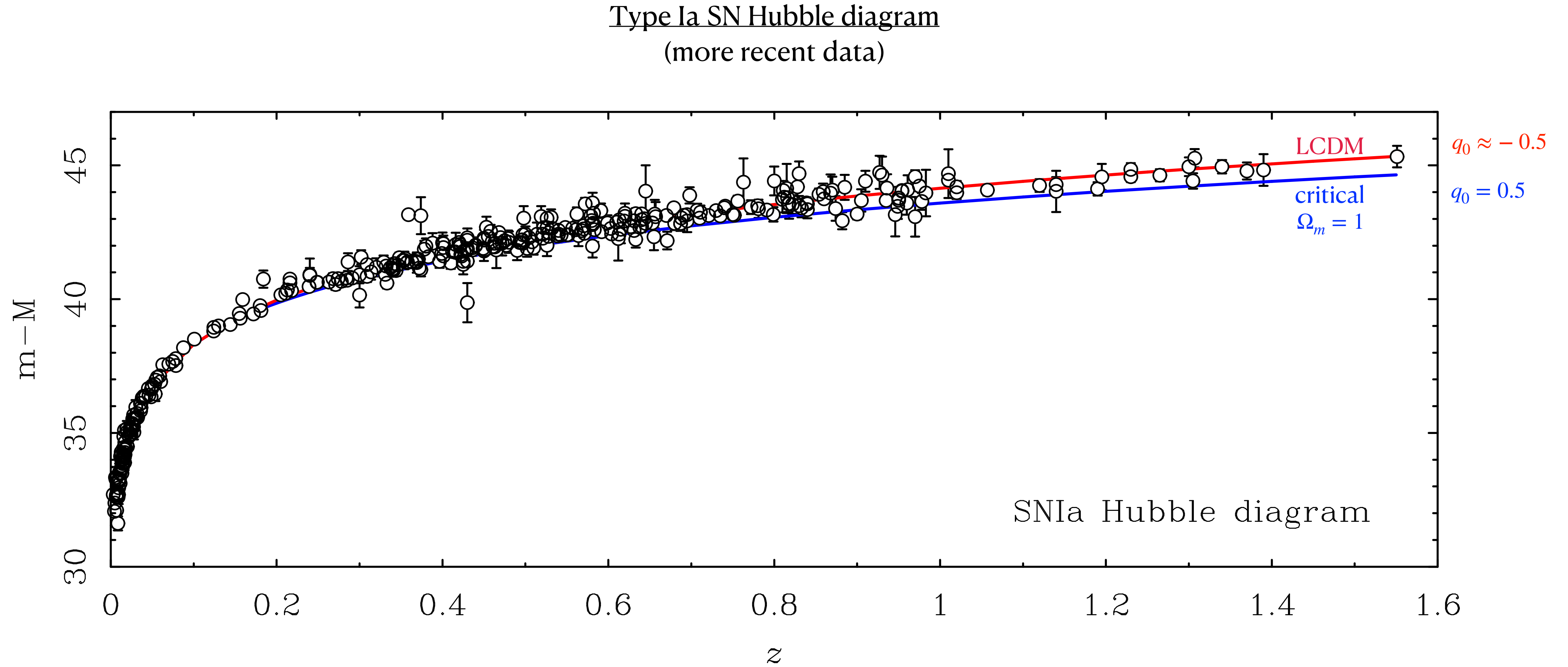
The Type Ia SN constraint practically excluded non-zero cosmological constant, but it did not provide a strong constraint on  $\Omega_m$  and  $\Omega_\Lambda$  individually.

LCDM depended on the inclusion of other information, like independent measures of the mass density and the assumption of a flat geometry.

There is a LOT more to the history of this subject; see <https://tritonstation.com/2019/01/28/a-personal-recollection-of-how-we-learned-to-stop-worrying-and-love-the-lambda/>



- Luminosity-redshift relation



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- Angular size-redshift relation

Ideal case:

a **Standard Rod**

an object of constant, known size  $\ell$

angular extent & size

$$\theta = \frac{\ell}{D_A}$$

Angular size distance

$$D_A = \frac{D_p}{(1+z)}$$

Note that

$$D_A = \frac{D_L}{(1+z)^2}$$

ANGULAR-DIAMETER DISTANCE

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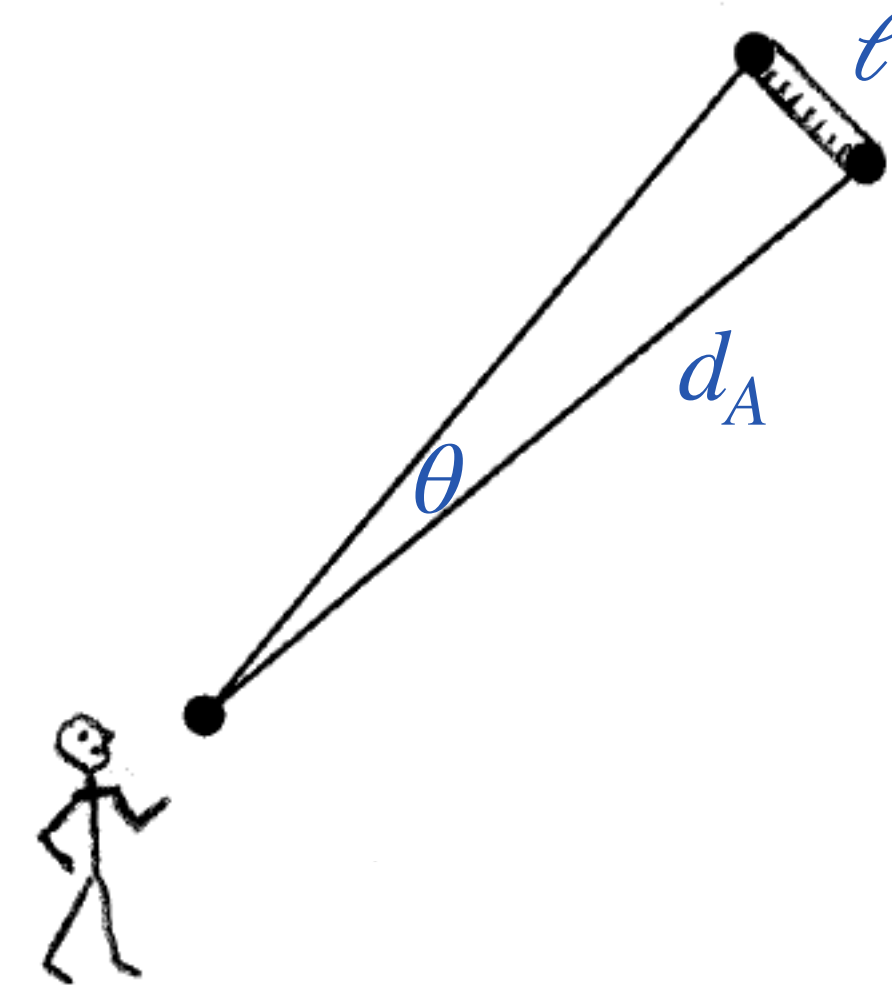
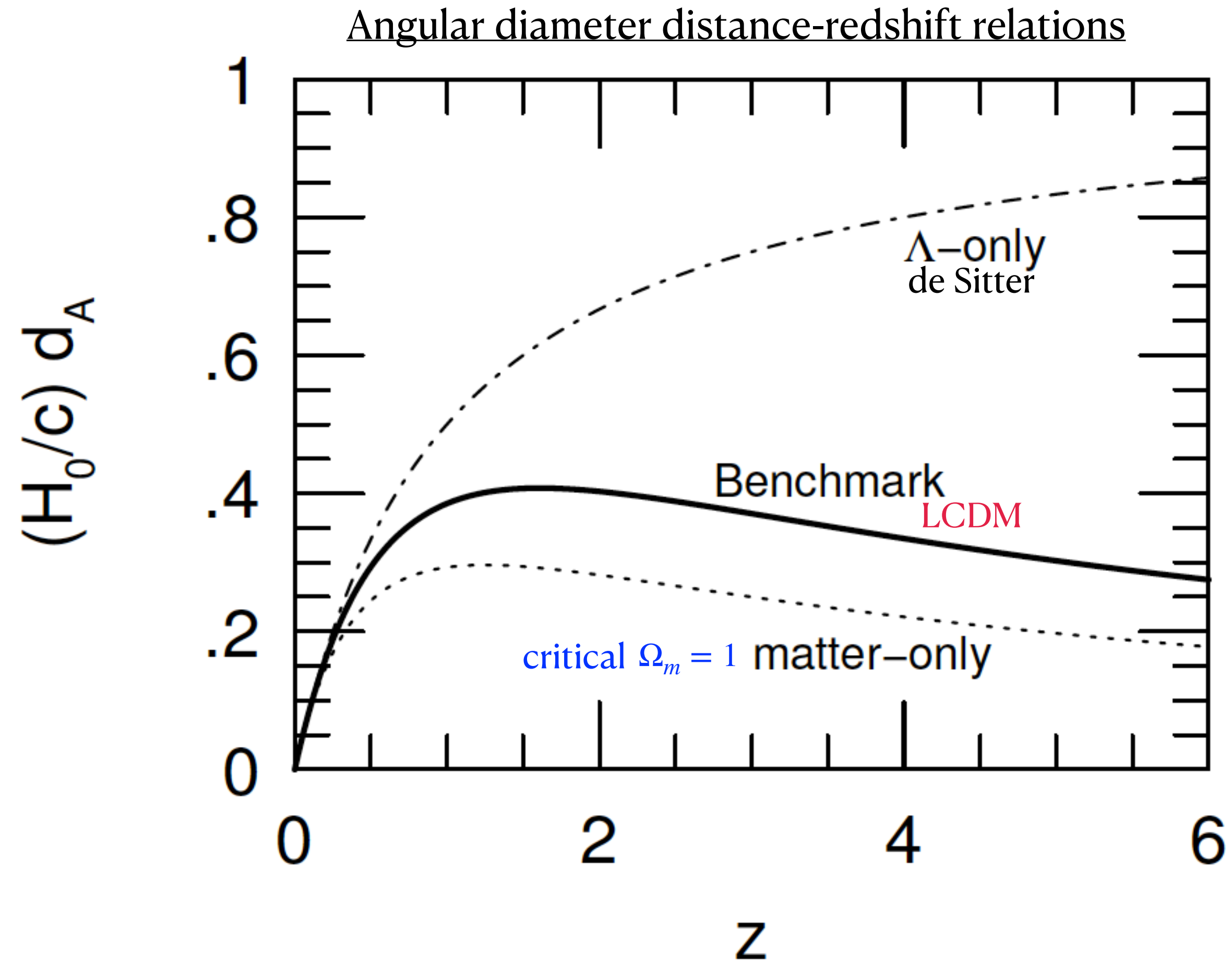


Figure 7.3: An observer at the origin observes a standard yardstick, of known proper length  $\ell$ , at comoving coordinate distance  $r$ .

- Angular size-redshift relation

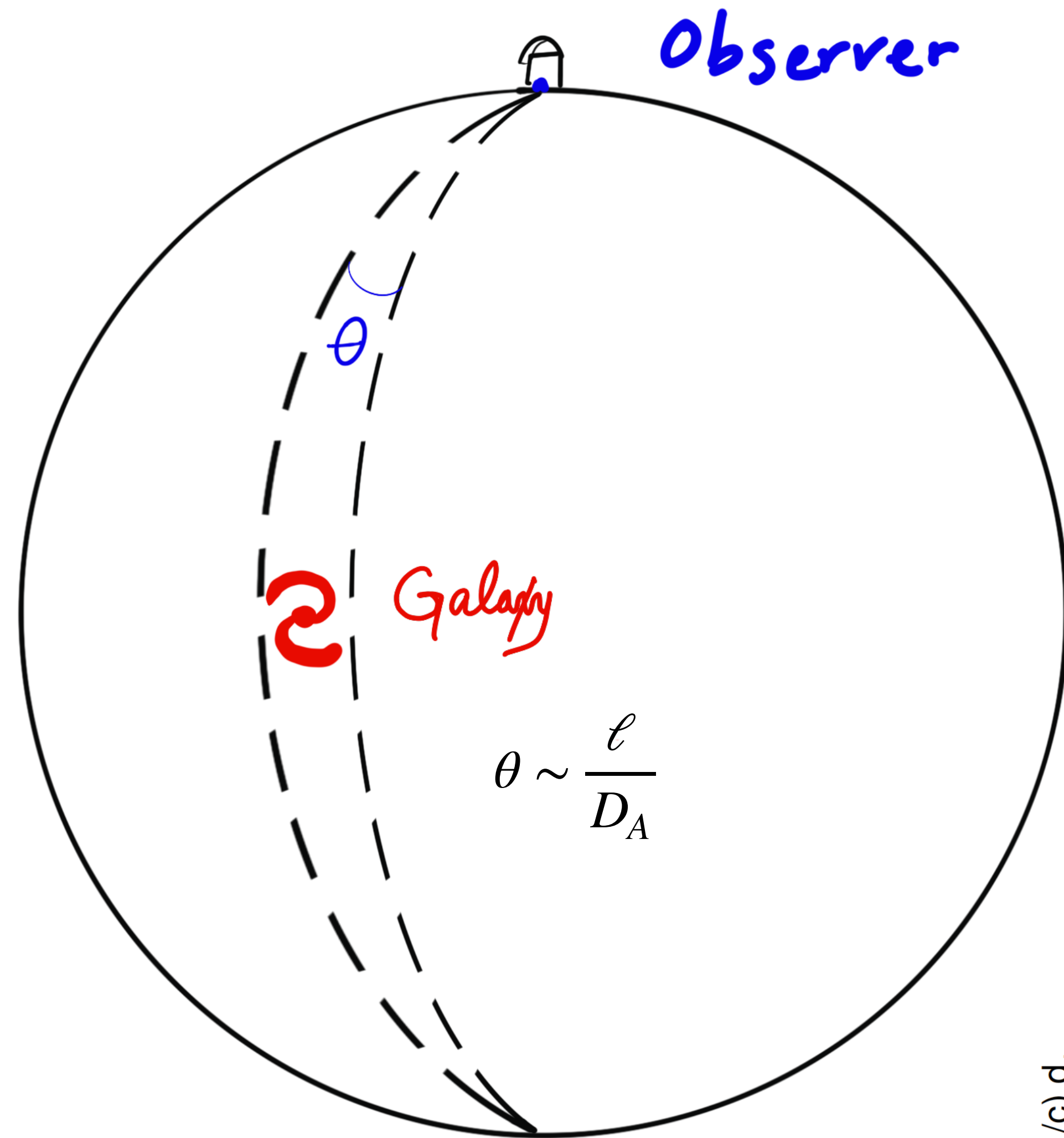


Note that the angular diameter distance never exceeds the Hubble length.

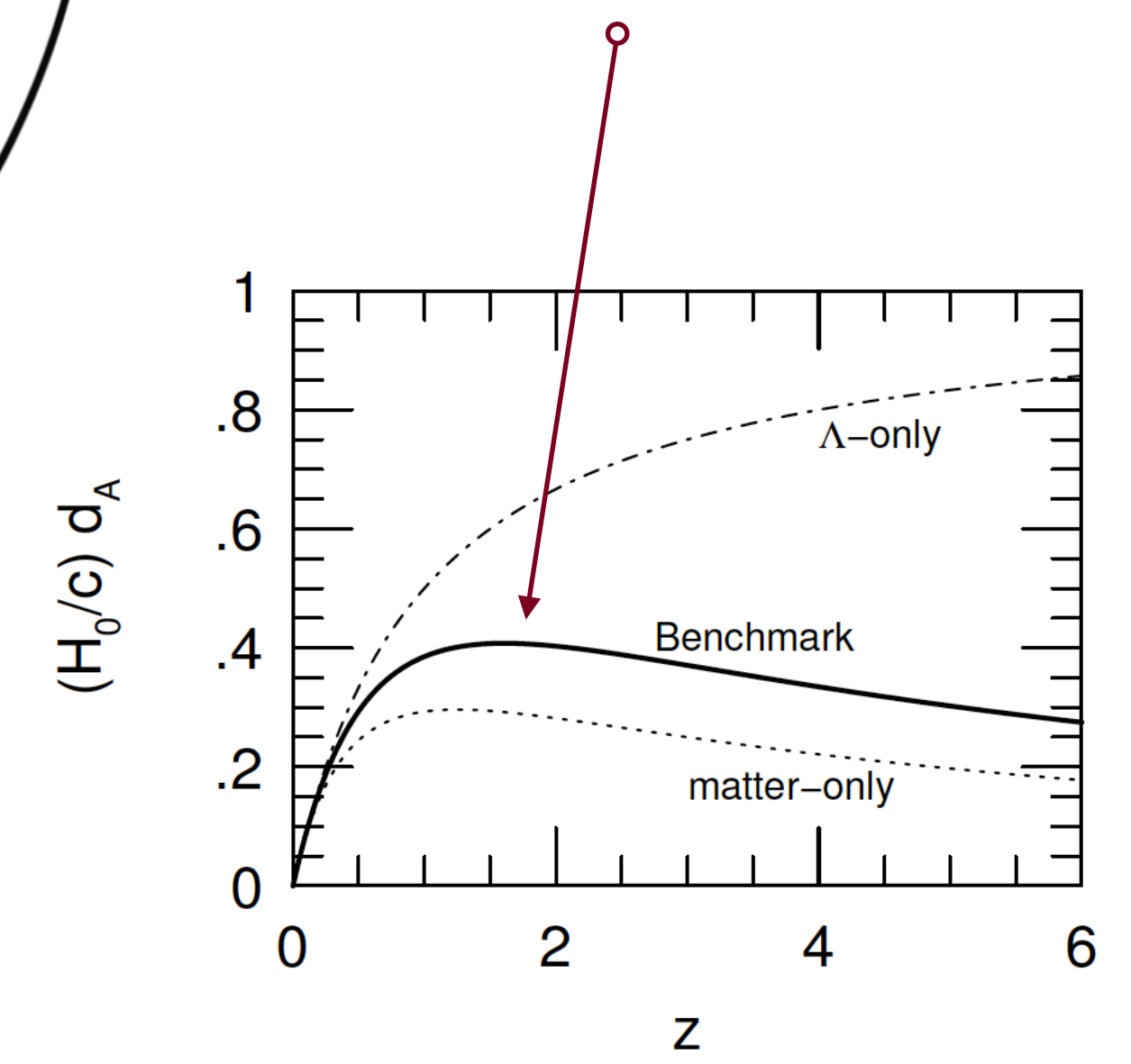
Sometimes has a maximum!

Figure 7.4: The angular-diameter distance for a standard yardstick with observed redshift  $z$ . The bold solid line gives the result for the Benchmark Model, the dot-dash line for a flat, lambda-only universe, and the dotted line for a flat, matter-only universe.

Angular size can have a minimum in non-Euclidean geometries because of the divergence of light rays. Beyond the distance corresponding to this minimum size, objects start to look bigger again!



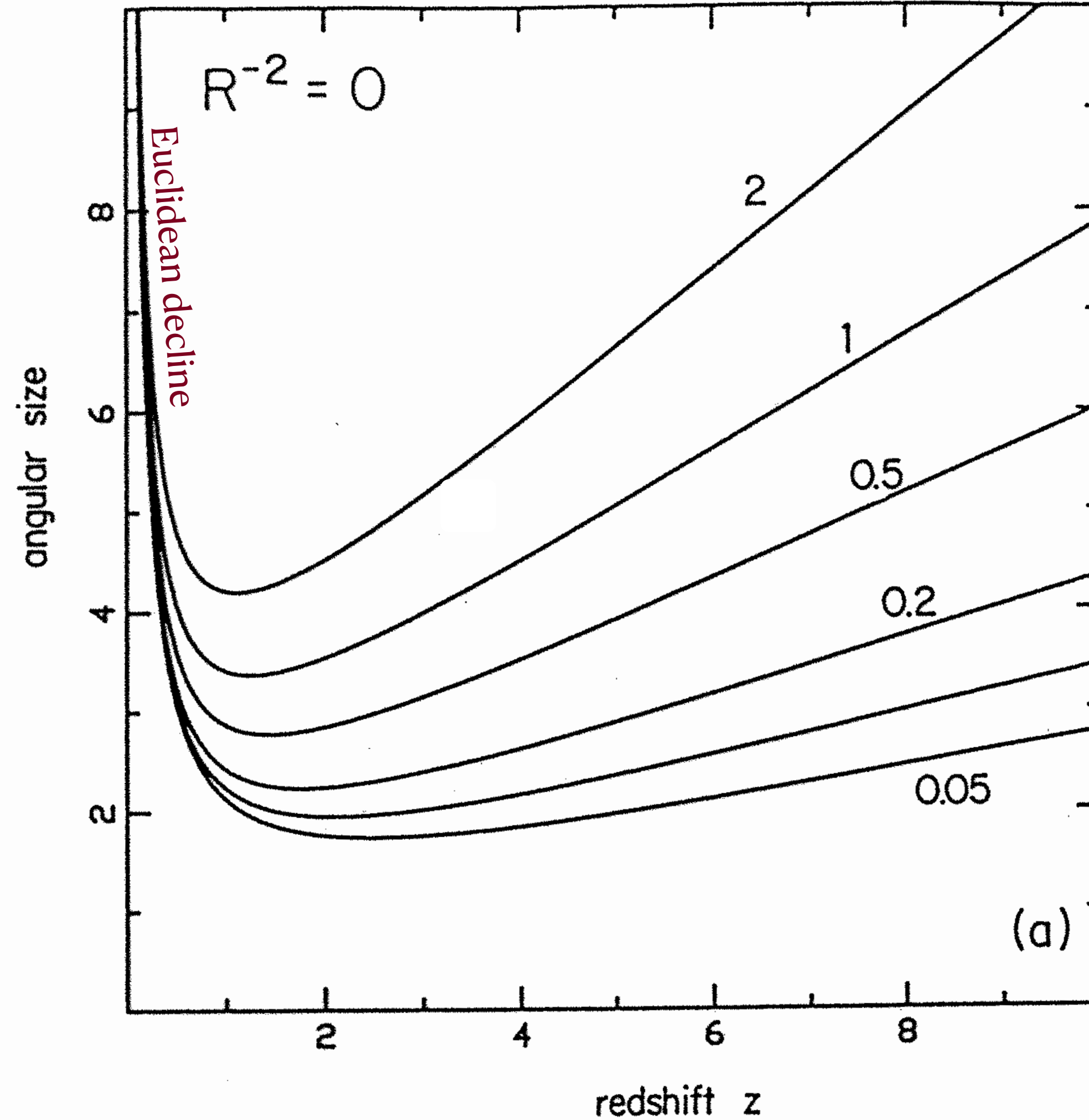
For LCDM, the minimum angular size occurs around  $z \approx 1.6$  at  $D_A \approx 1.75$  Gpc



- Angular size-redshift relation

Angular Size-redshift relations

Flat cosmologies



Zero cosmological constant

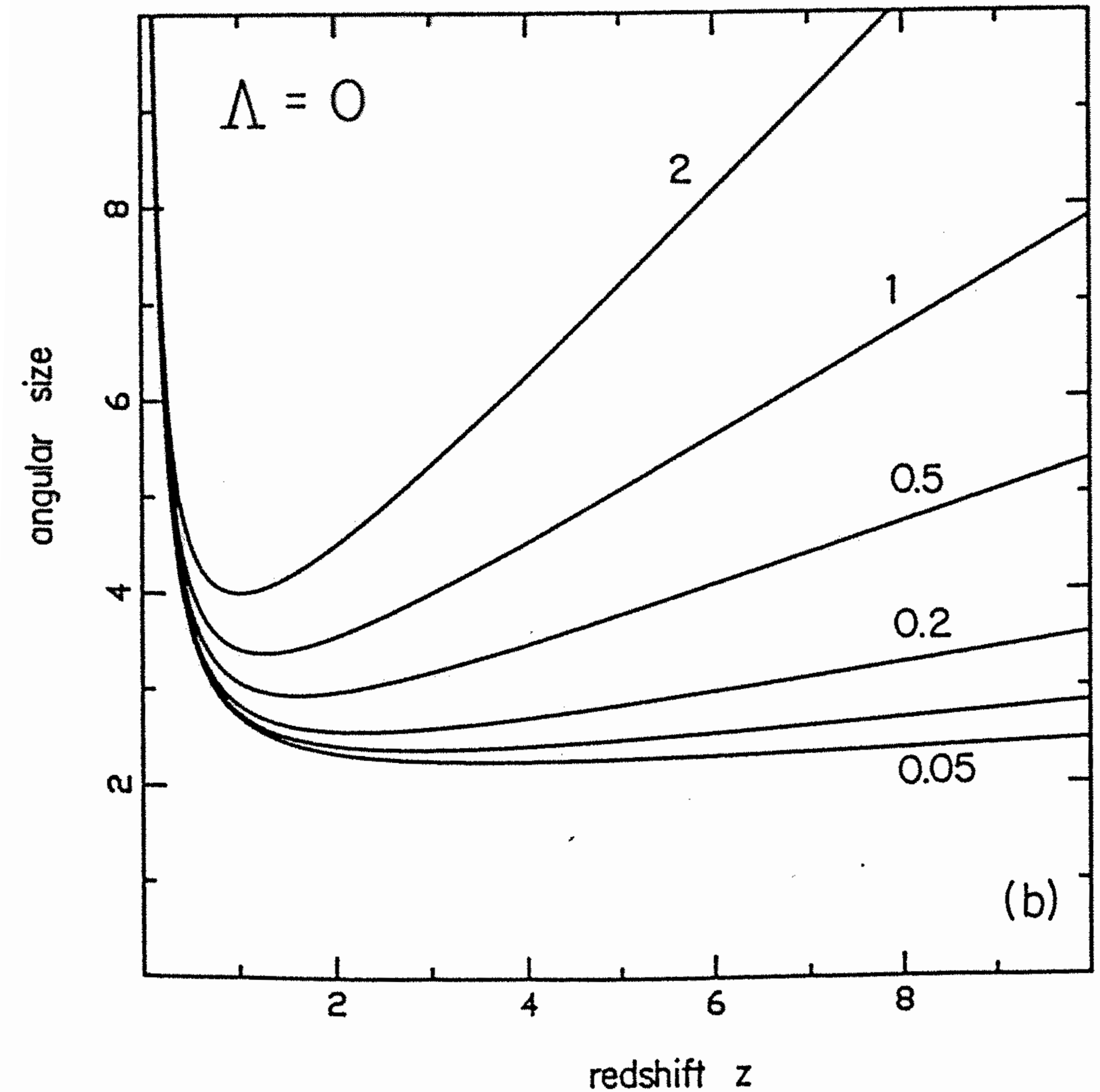
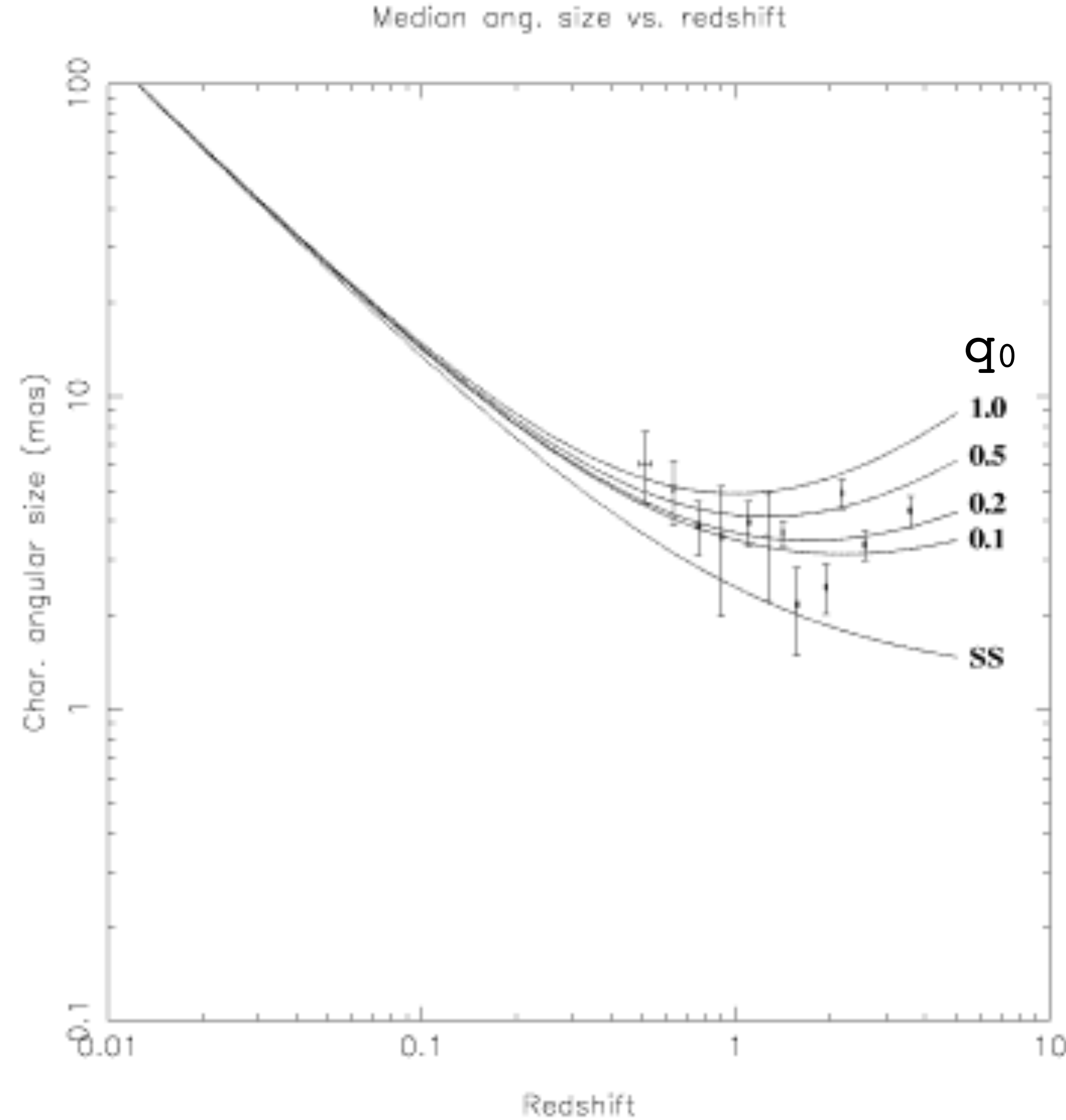


Figure 13.5. Angular size as a function of redshift. The vertical axis is the factor  $F_\theta = (1+z)/H_0 a_r(z)$  in equation (13.47). The parameters are arranged as in figure 13.1.

Initially objects decline in angular size with increasing distance, but this trend reverses at high redshift in the Robertson-Walker geometry!

- Angular size-redshift relation

L.I. Gurvits et al.: The “angular size – redshift” relation f



Gurvits et al. (1999)  
Fig. 10

angular sizes of compact  
radio sources

**Fig. 10.** Median angular size versus redshift for 145 sources (binned into 12 bins, 12–13 sources per bin) with  $-0.38 \leq \alpha \leq 0.18$  and  $L \geq 10^{26}$  W/Hz. The solid lines correspond to the linear size parameter  $lh = 22.7$  pc, the Steady-state model (SS) and models of a homogeneous, isotropic Universe with  $\Lambda = 0$  and various shown values of  $q_0$ . None of the solid lines represents the best fit.

- Number-magnitude relation

Hubble Ultra Deep Field



# Cosmic Volume

Robertson-Walker metric

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + a^2(t) \left[ \frac{dr^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2) \right]$$

Volume

$$V = a^3 \int_0^r \frac{r^2 dr}{\sqrt{1 - kr^2}} \int_0^\pi \sin \theta d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi$$

An open universe ( $\Omega_m < 1$ ) is “bigger” than a closed universe ( $\Omega_m > 1$ )

integrates to

$$V = \frac{4\pi}{3} (ar)^3 f(r) \quad f(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{2} \left[ \frac{\sin^{-1} r}{r^3} - \frac{\sqrt{1 - r^2}}{r^2} \right] & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{2} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1 + r^2}}{r^2} - \frac{\sinh^{-1} r}{r^3} \right] & -1 \end{cases} \quad \text{for } k = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{cases}$$

## Cosmic Volume

in terms of the proper distance

$$D_p = a(t) \int_0^r \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - kr^2}}$$

we can make the Taylor expansion

Sandage (1988, ARA&A, 26, 561)

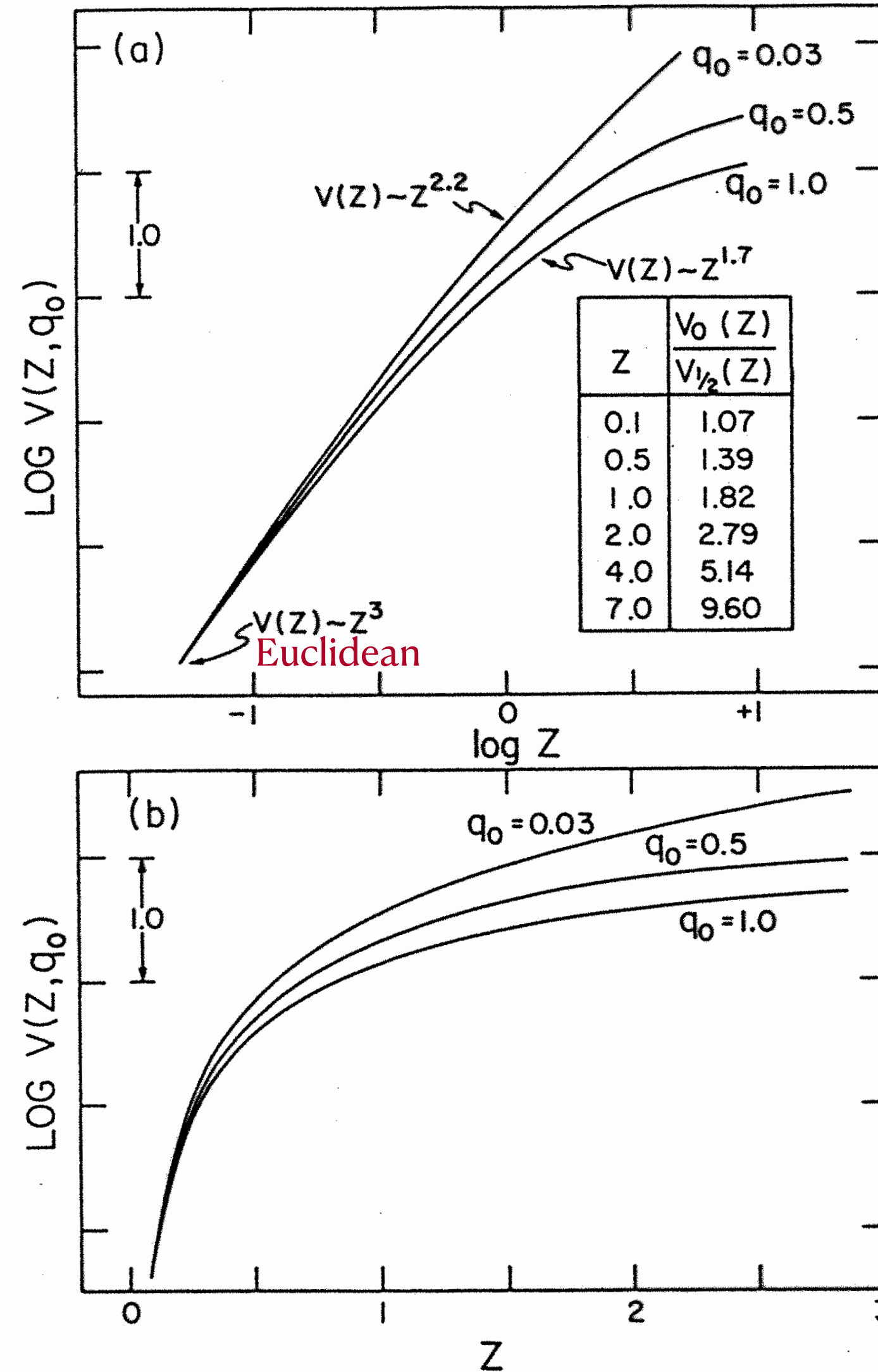
$$V = \frac{4\pi}{3} D_p^3 \left[ 1 - \frac{k}{5} \left( \frac{D_p}{R} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{D_p}{R} \right)^4 \right]$$

$\frac{k}{R^2}$  is the curvature of space

Note that the volume increases as the curvature becomes more negative,  
so a closed universe is “small”  
and an open universe is “big”



Predicted  $N(<z)$



Note: decelerating cosmologies have "less" volume than Euclidean. The long(N)-m diagram should have a slope < 0.6.

as  $q_0 \downarrow, V \uparrow$

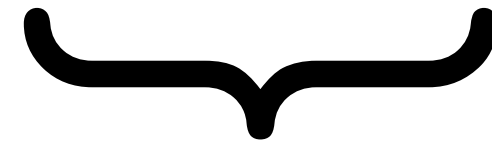
Note: in 1988, we didn't consider  $q < 0$  to be a physical possibility

Figure 1 Theoretical  $N(z, q_0)$  relations for three values of  $q_0$ . Plotted is the integral count, i.e. the total number of galaxies in a complete (volume-limited) sample that have redshifts smaller than  $z$ . Parts (a) and (b) are the same function but plotted as  $\log z$  (a) and  $z$  (b).

- Number-redshift and Number-magnitude relations

Since the volume depends on curvature, source counts  $N(m)$  provide a test

For sources of luminosities  $L$  and constant comoving number density  $\Phi(L)$ ,



homogeneity, no evolution

Number-redshift:

$$N(< z) = \frac{4\pi}{3H_0^2} z^3 \int_0^\infty \Phi(L) \left[ 1 + \frac{3}{2} z(1 + q_0) \right] dL$$

Number-magnitude:

$$N(< f) = \frac{4\pi}{3} (4\pi f)^{-3/2} \int_0^\infty \Phi(L) \left[ 1 - 3H_0 \left( \frac{L}{4\pi f} \right)^{1/2} \right] L^{3/2} dL$$

Historically, radio source counts in the 1960s played an important role in excluding the Steady State cosmology.

Peebles

Figure 13.8. Counts as a function of redshift. The vertical axis is the dimensionless function  $F_n(z)$  in  $dN/dz$  in equation (13.61). The parameters are arranged as in figure 13.1.

Differential counts  $\frac{dN}{dz}$

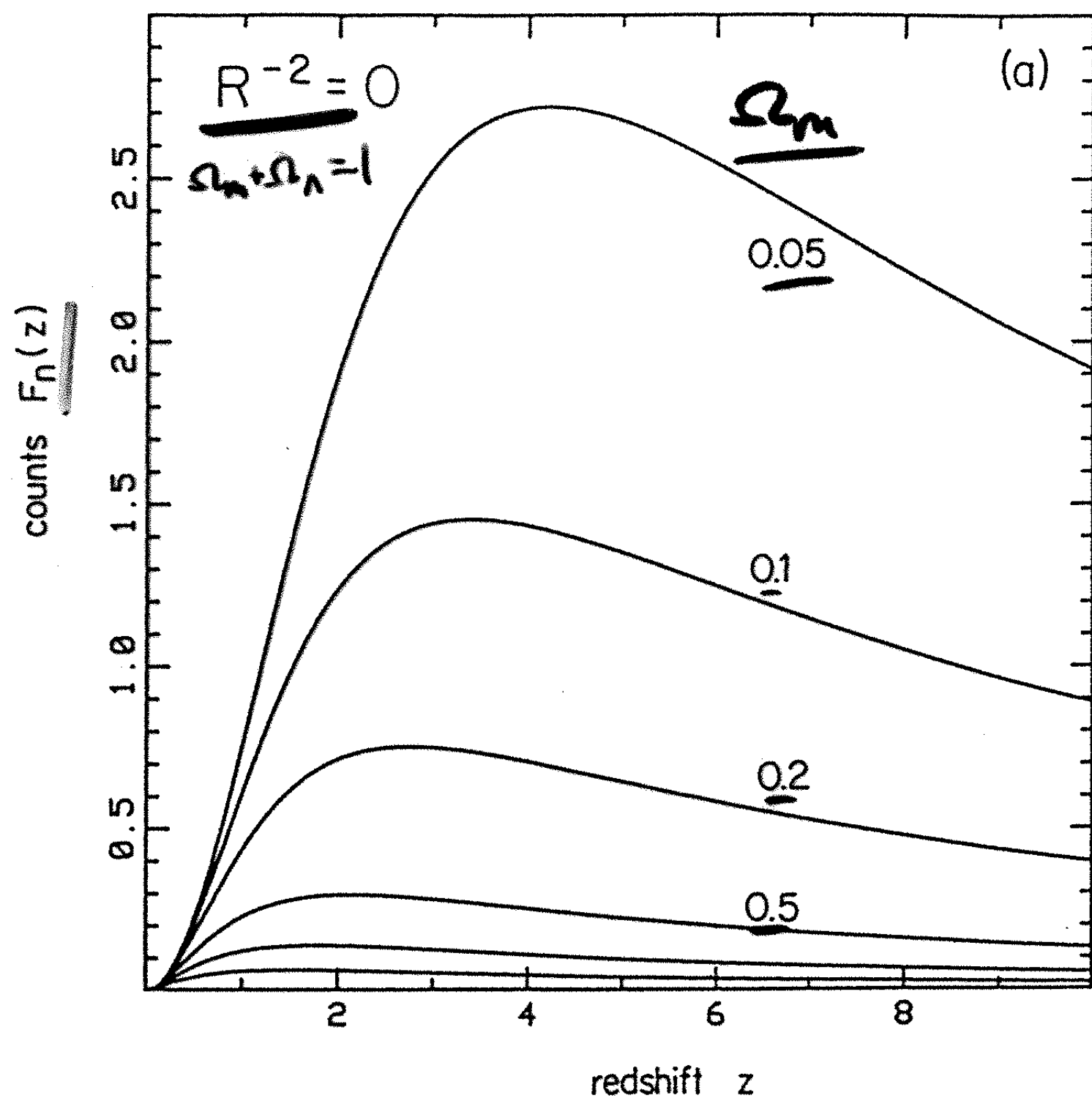
for number conservation,

$$n = n_0 \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^3$$

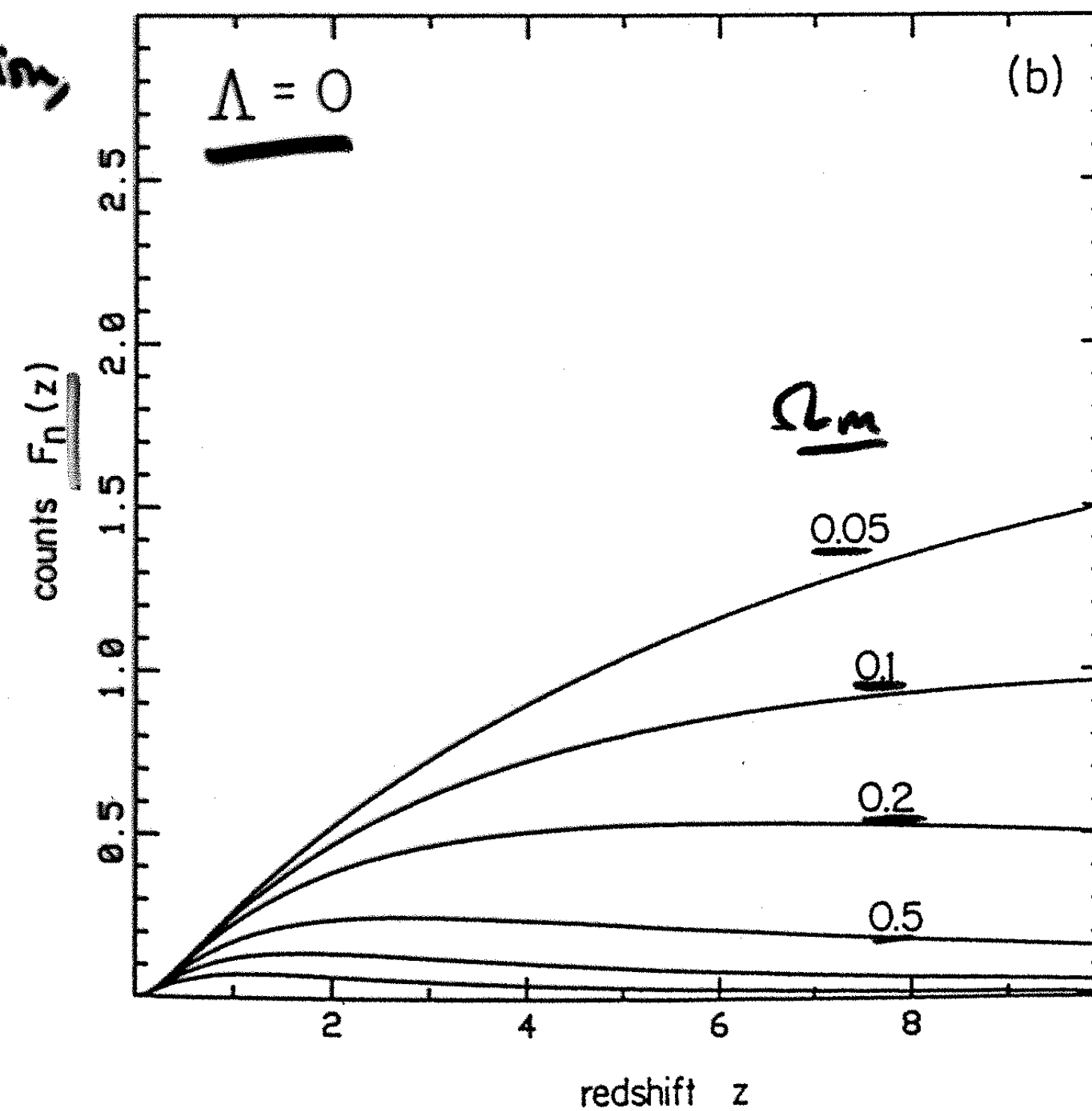
$$\frac{dN}{dz} = n_0 \frac{F_n(z)}{H_0^3}$$

$$F_n(z) = \frac{[H_0 R_0 r(z)]^2}{E(z)}$$

Flat



No cosmological constant



Differential counts  $\frac{dN}{dz}$

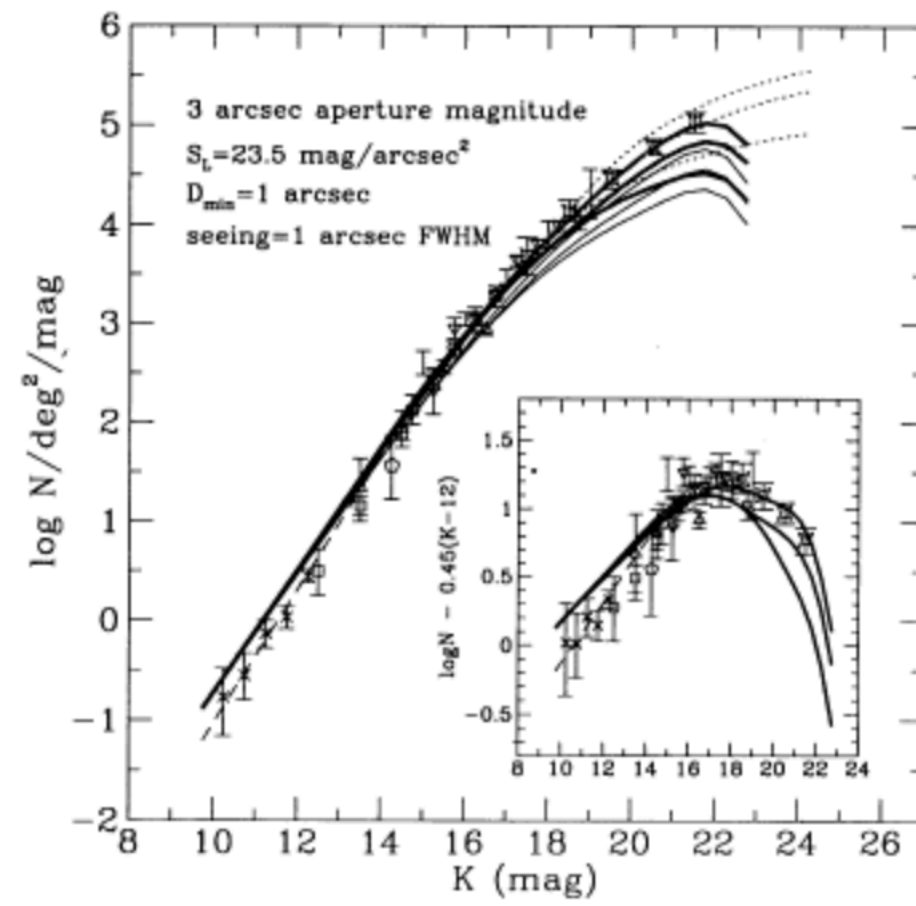


FIG. 2a

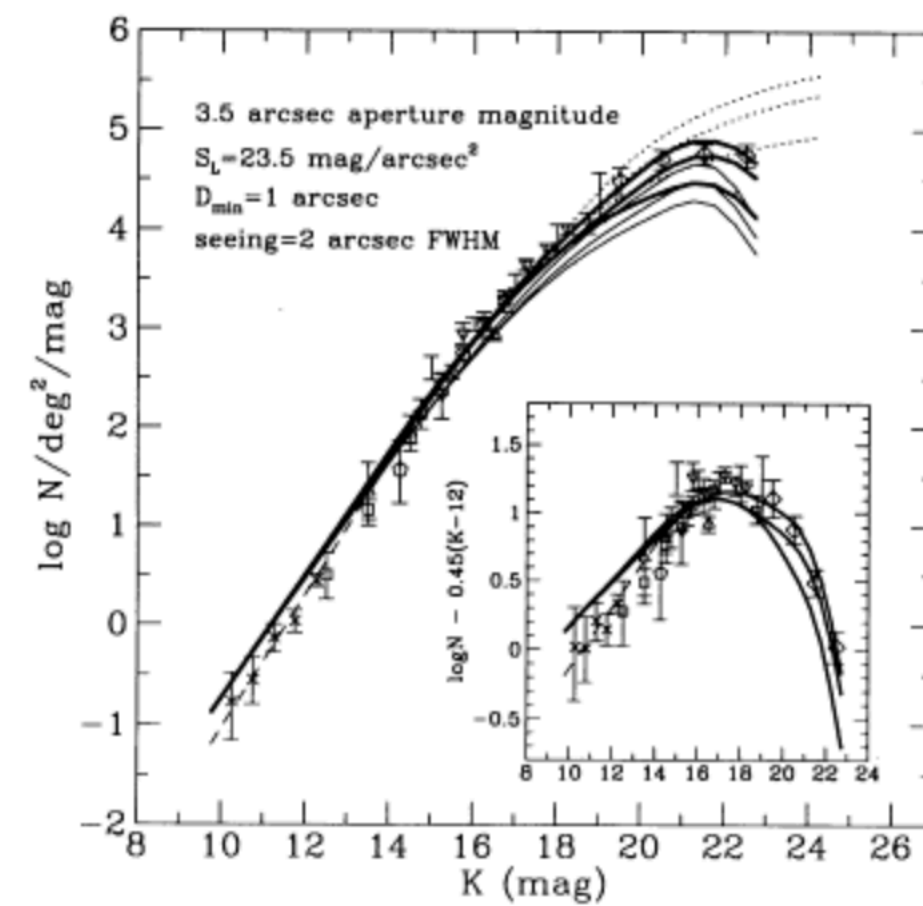


FIG. 2b

TABLE 1  
PREDICTED NUMBER COUNT SLOPE AND REDSHIFT DISTRIBUTION OF BLUE-SELECTED FAINT GALAXIES<sup>a</sup>

PARAMETERS			COUNT SLOPE $\gamma$ ( $B_J = 17-24$ )		MEDIAN $z_{med}$ ( $B_J = 23-24$ )		MAXIMUM $z_{max}$ ( $B_J = 23-24$ )	
$\Omega_0$	$\lambda_0$	$h$	No Evolution	Evolution	No Evolution	Evolution	No Evolution	Evolution
Model Predictions with No Isophotal Selection Effects								
1	0	0.5.....	$0.38^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$0.43^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.49^{+0.00}_{-0.16}$	$0.85^{+0.24}_{-0.32}$	$1.76^{+0.00}_{-0.36}$	$2.98^{+1.20}_{-0.49}$
0.2	0	0.6.....	$0.39^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$0.43^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.47^{+0.00}_{-0.13}$	$0.69^{+0.06}_{-0.19}$	$1.39^{+0.00}_{-0.22}$	$2.56^{+0.26}_{-0.87}$
0.2	0.8	0.8.....	$0.40^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$0.44^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.45^{+0.00}_{-0.12}$	$0.62^{+0.44}_{-0.13}$	$1.25^{+0.00}_{-0.19}$	$2.34^{+0.32}_{-0.74}$
Model Predictions with the Isophotal Selection Effects <sup>b</sup>								
1	0	0.5.....	$0.36^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.40^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.41^{+0.00}_{-0.11}$	$0.62^{+0.09}_{-0.19}$	$1.15^{+0.00}_{-0.16}$	$2.41^{+0.41}_{-1.16}$
0.2	0	0.6.....	$0.37^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.40^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$	$0.40^{+0.00}_{-0.10}$	$0.54^{+0.03}_{-0.12}$	$1.04^{+0.00}_{-0.14}$	$1.53^{+0.12}_{-0.51}$
0.2	0.8	0.8.....	$0.39^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$0.42^{+0.01}_{-0.00}$	$0.39^{+0.00}_{-0.09}$	$0.50^{+0.02}_{-0.08}$	$0.97^{+0.00}_{-0.13}$	$1.25^{+0.09}_{-0.18}$
Observational Results <sup>c</sup>								
			$0.42 \pm 0.01$		$0.47 \pm 0.05$		1-1.5	

<sup>a</sup> The range of uncertainty in predicted quantities is set by separate sum of (+) and (-) changes of each quantity due to the changes of input parameters from our standard choice in the model, i.e., the redshift of galaxy formation  $z_p = 5 \rightarrow 10$ , the UV strength parameter  $x = 0.2 \rightarrow 0$ , the UV SED N3379  $\rightarrow$  N4649, the Pence's galaxy mix  $\rightarrow$  the Tinsley's mix, the luminosity function slope index  $\alpha = -1.1 \rightarrow -1.3$ , and the Hubble constant  $h \rightarrow 1$ .

<sup>b</sup> The isophotal magnitude scheme and the observational conditions of 1.5 FWHM seeing,  $S_L = 27.5 \text{ mag arcsec}^{-2}$ , and  $D_{min} = 2''$  are adopted for the purpose of comparison with Colless et al.'s 1993 LDSS-2 redshift measurements of galaxies sampled from a photometric catalog of Jones et al. 1991.

<sup>c</sup>  $\gamma$  is taken from Jones et al. 1991 after their estimate on the total magnitude scheme is converted into that on the isophotal magnitude scheme using  $\gamma(\text{total}) - \gamma(\text{isophotal}) \approx 0.02$ .  $z_{med}$  and  $z_{max}$  are taken from Colless et al. 1993.

“we find that these number count data favor a flat, low-density  $\Omega_m \sim 0.2$  universe with a nonzero cosmological constant.”