

POLYNOMIAL EXPANSION OF THE STAR FORMATION HISTORY IN GALAXIES

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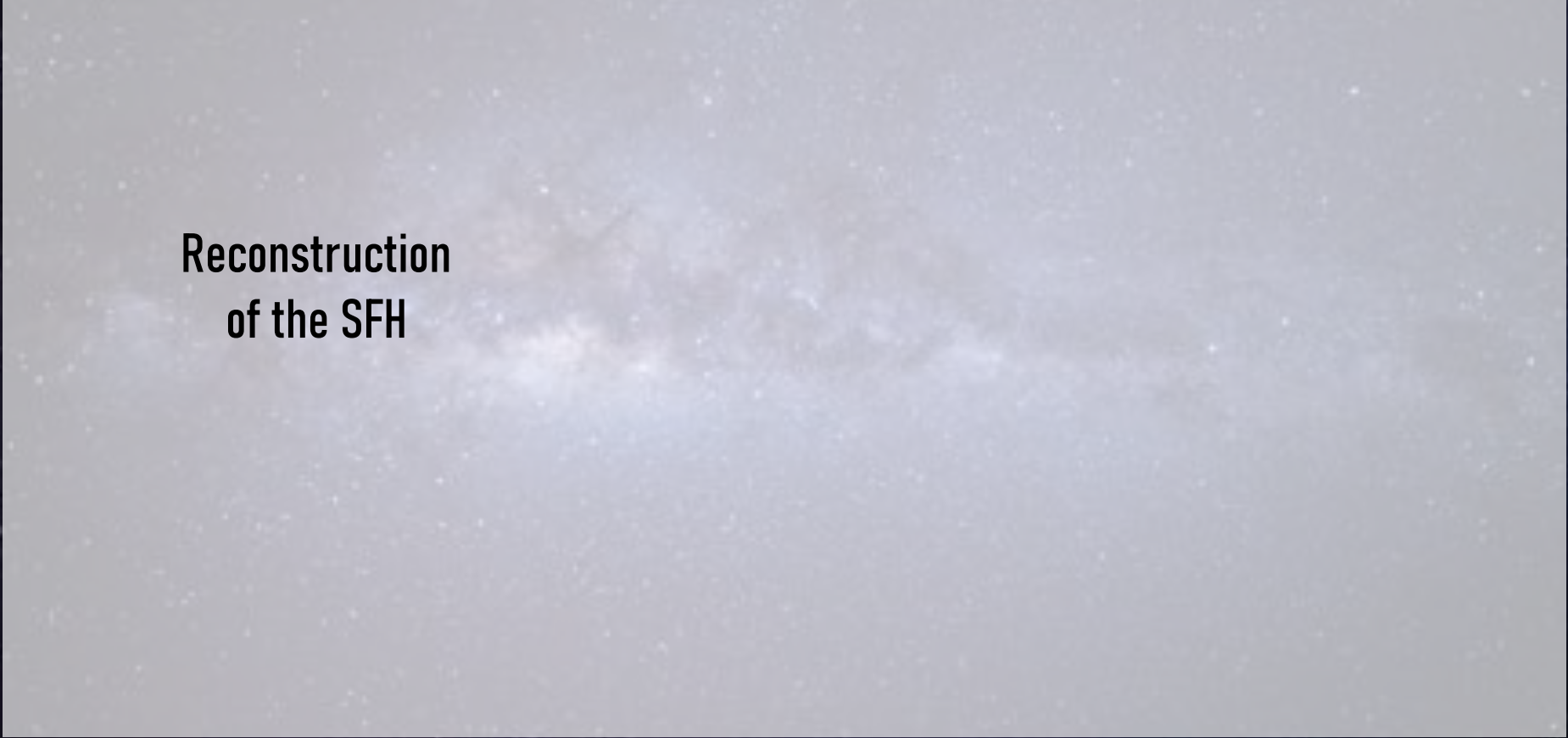
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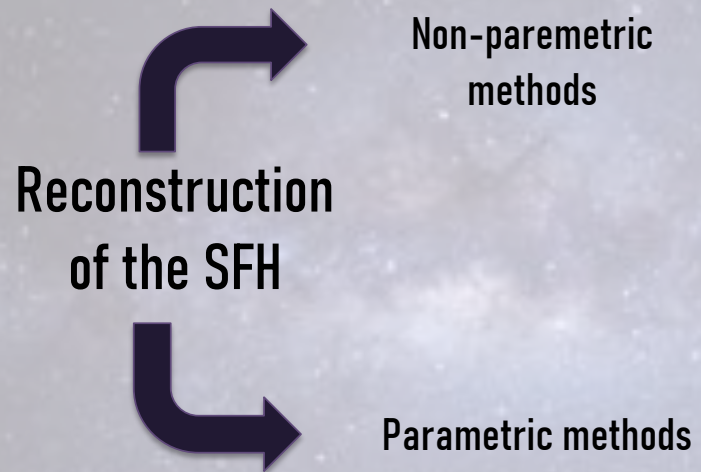
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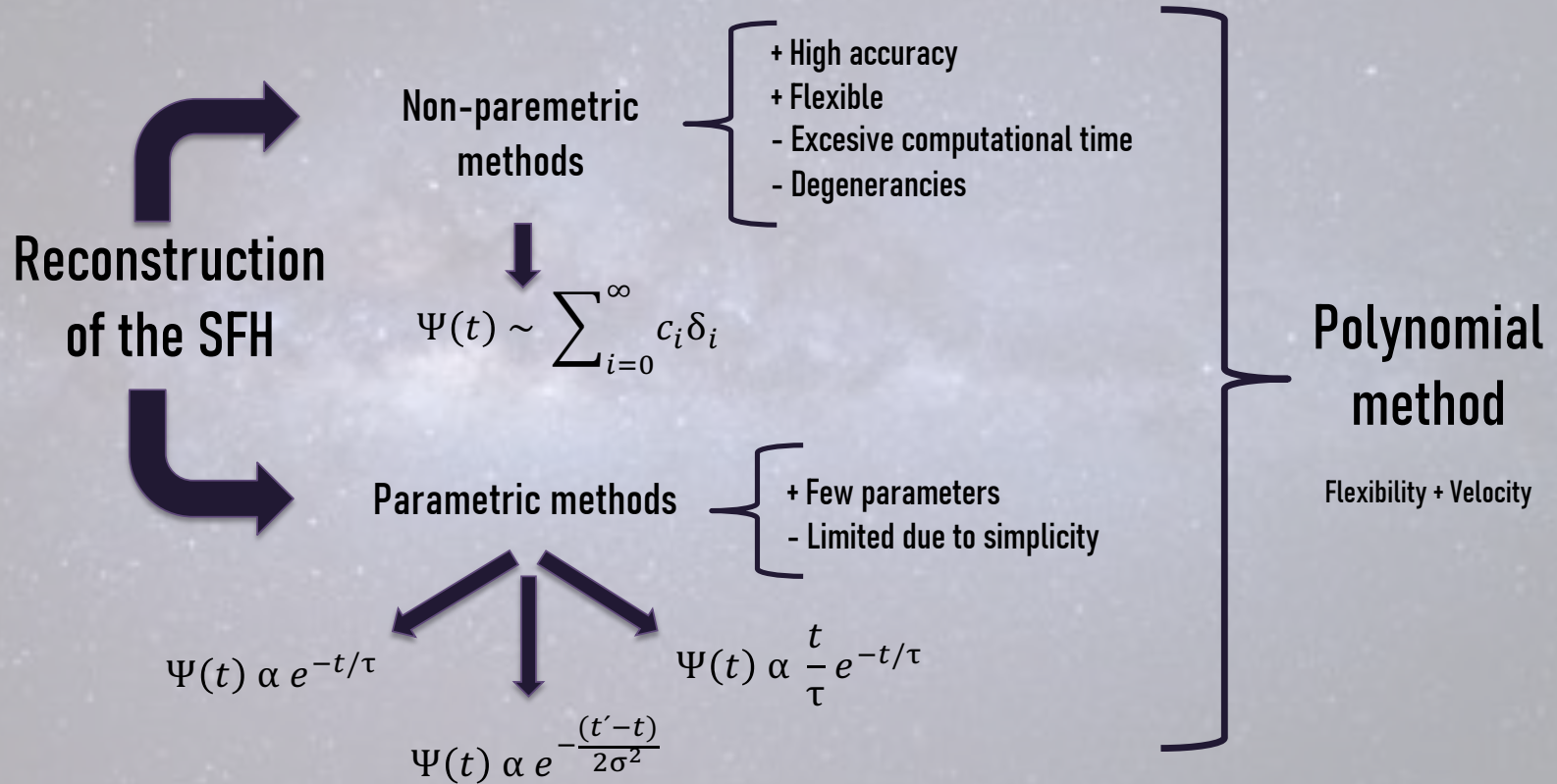


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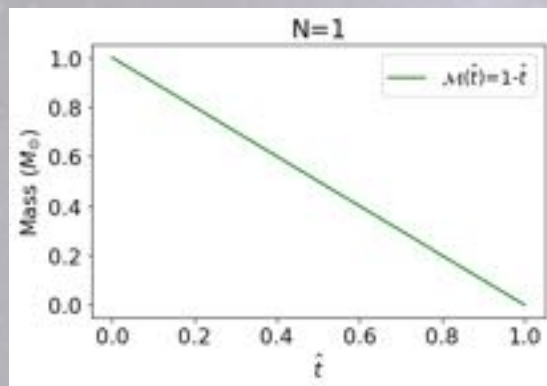


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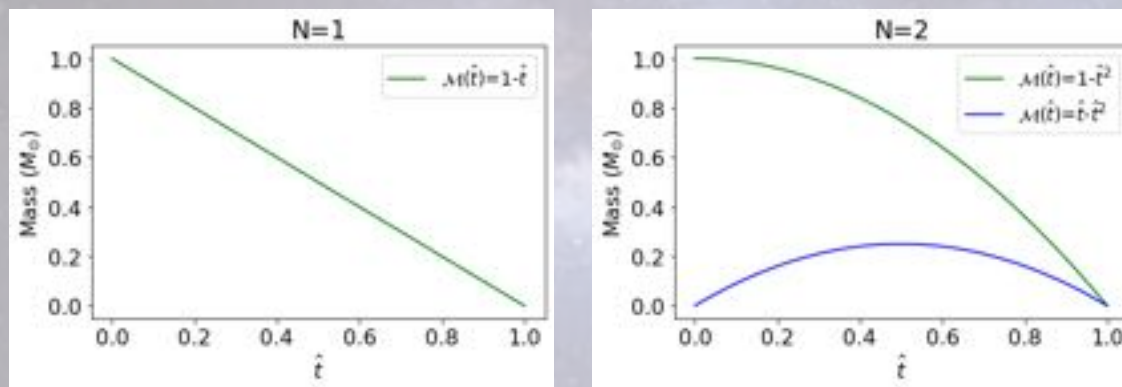


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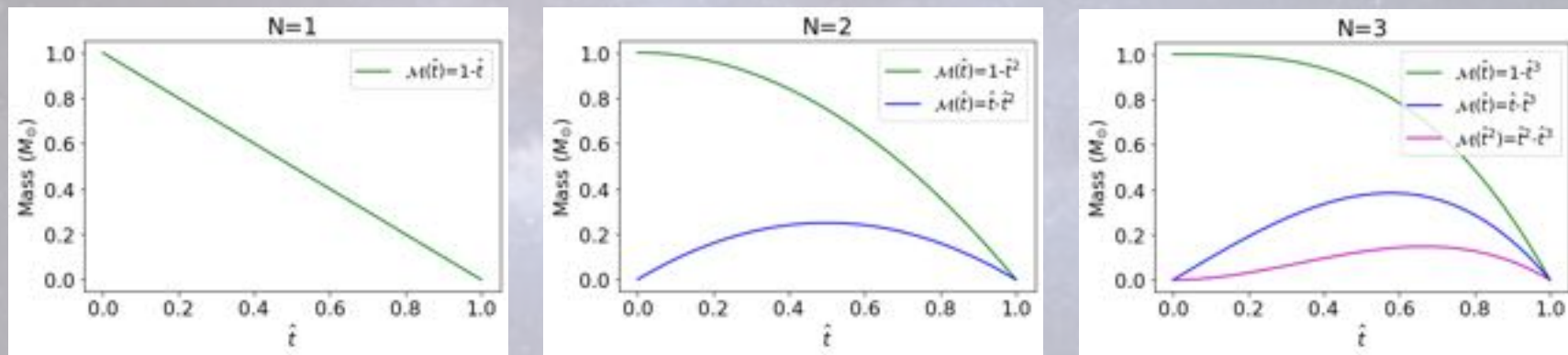


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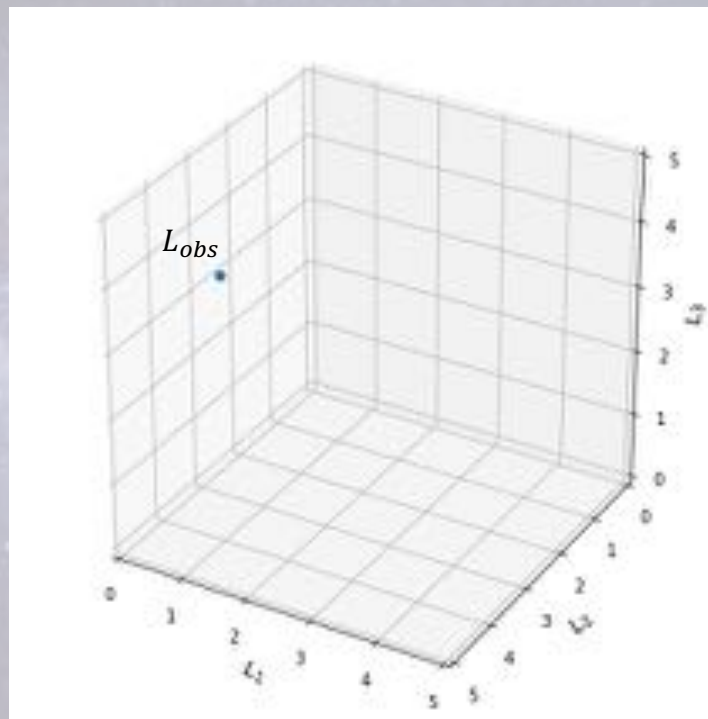


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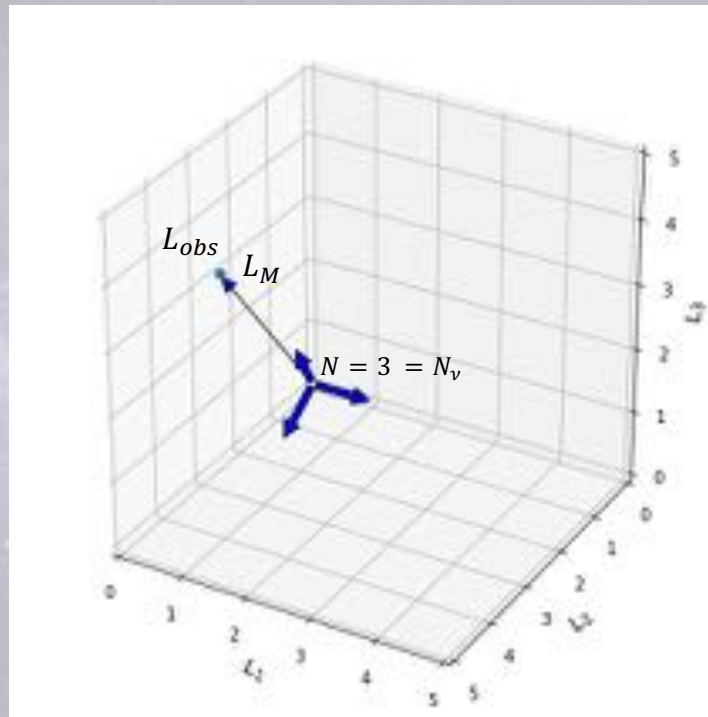
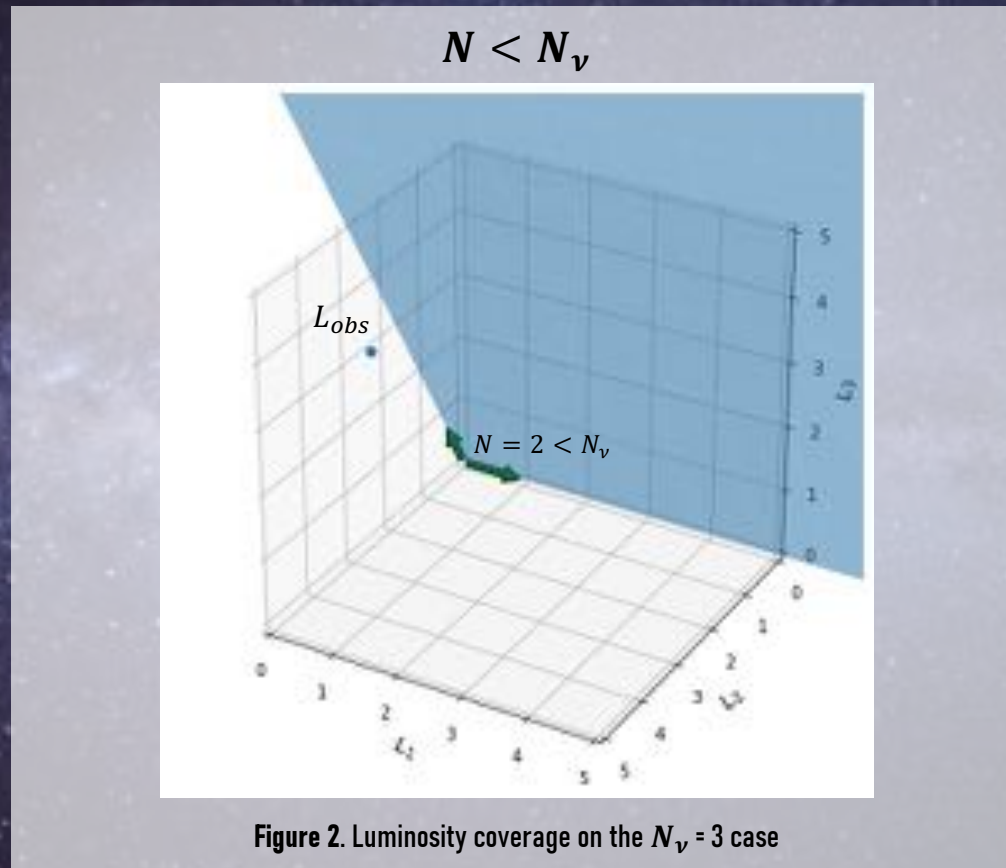


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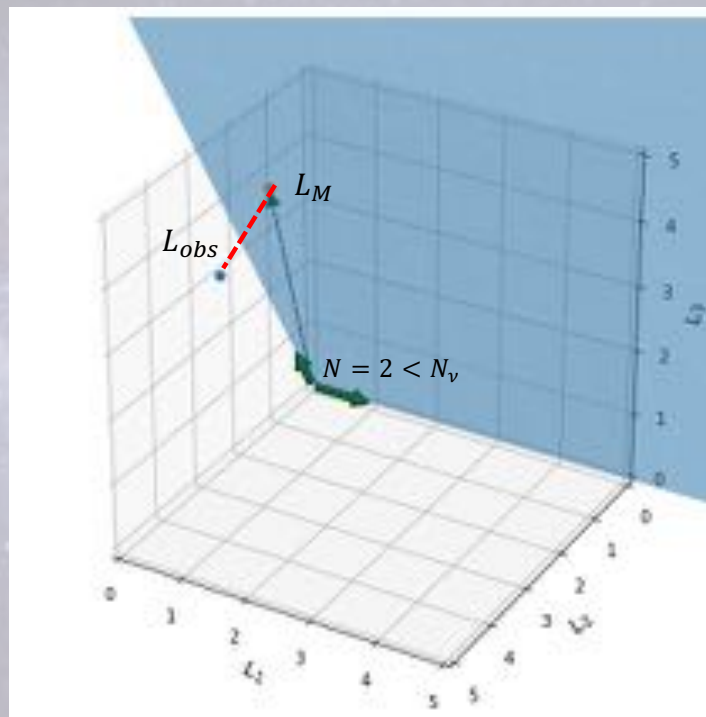


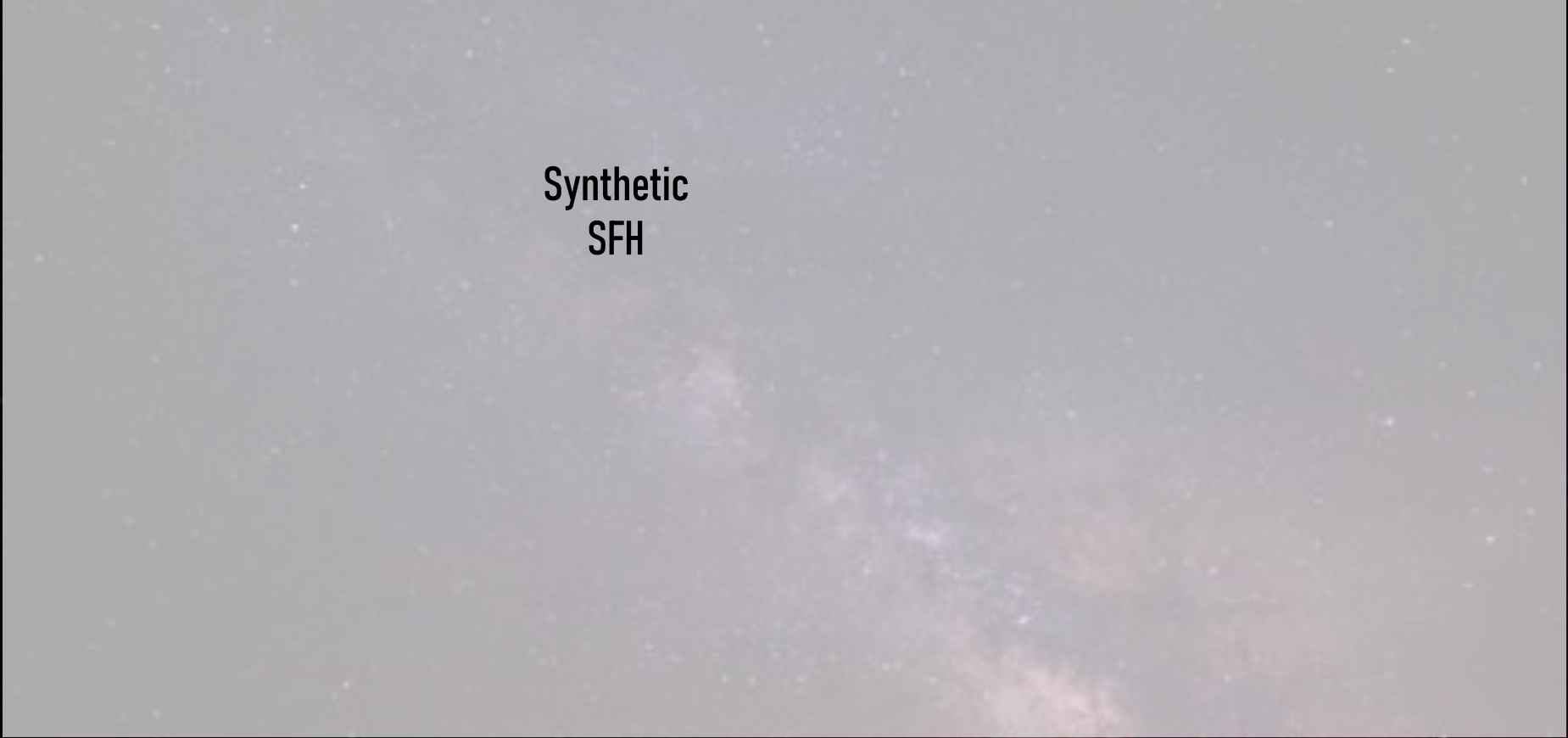
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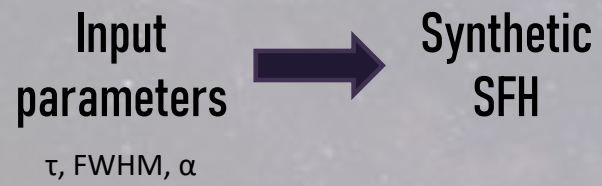
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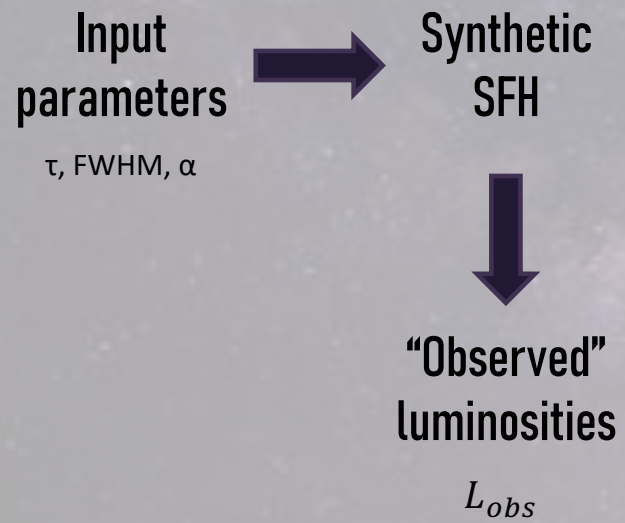
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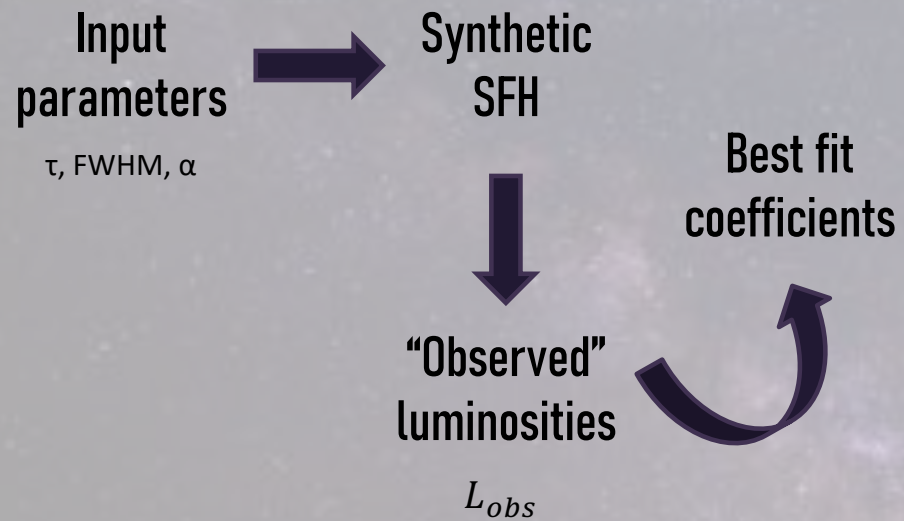
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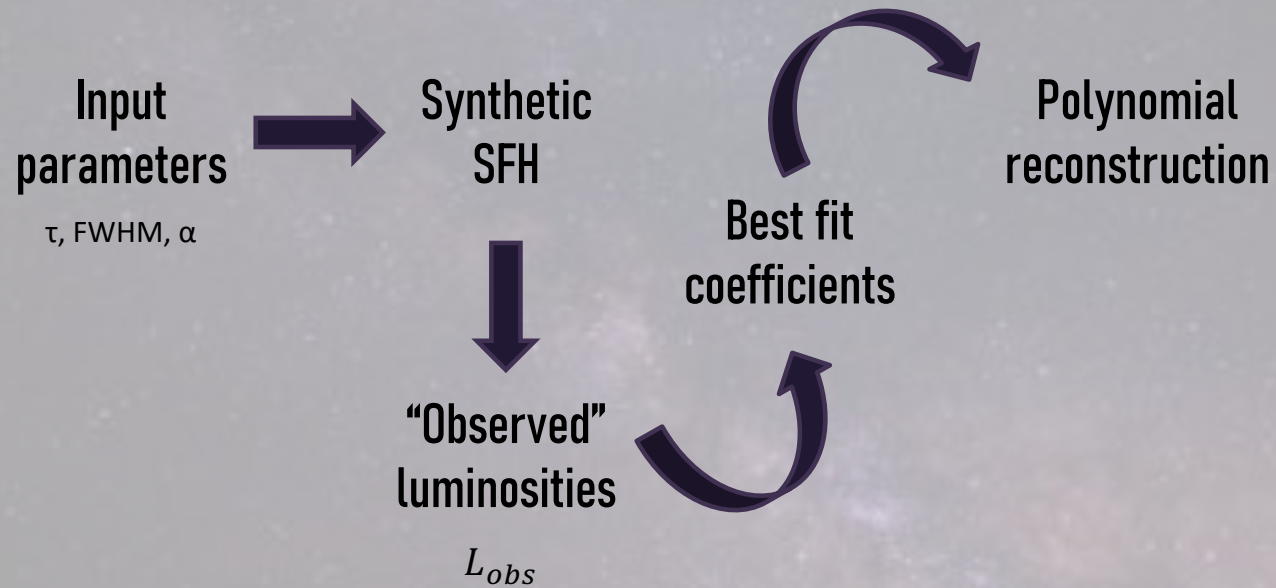
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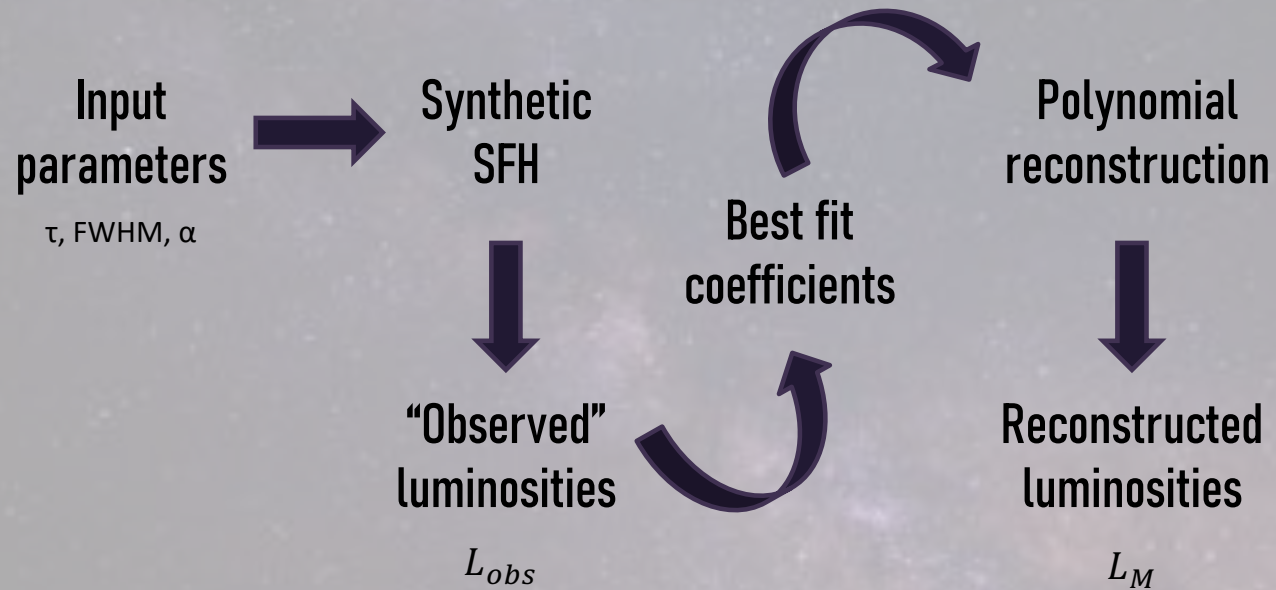
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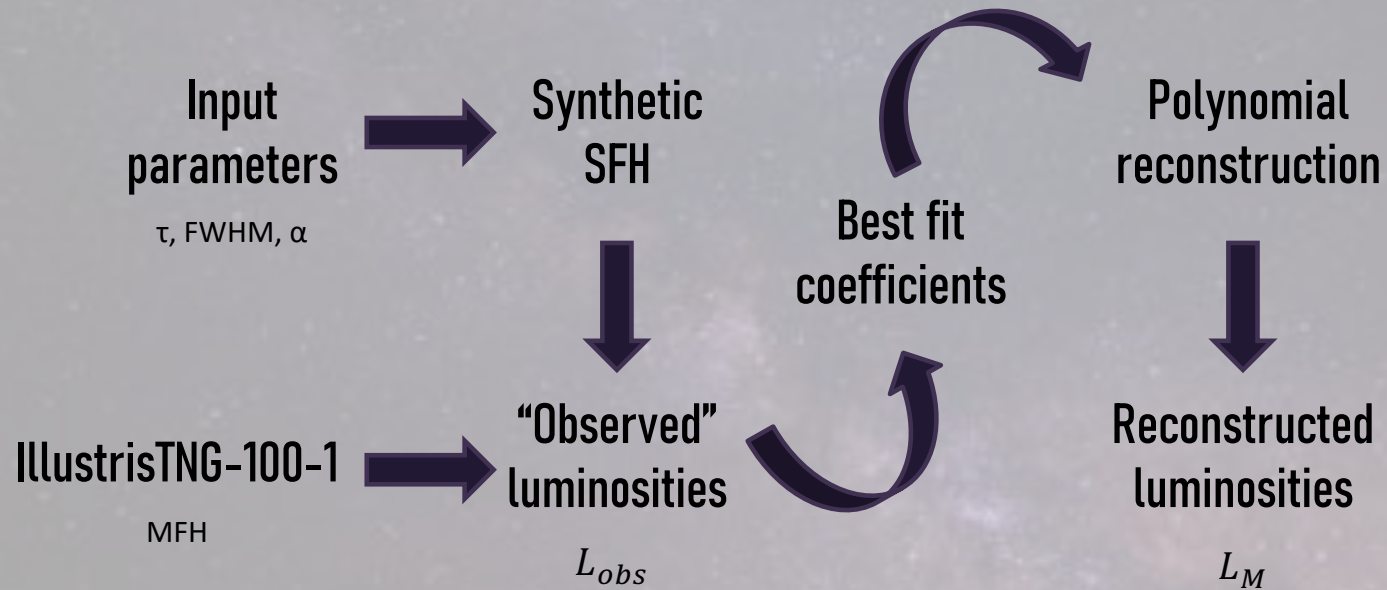
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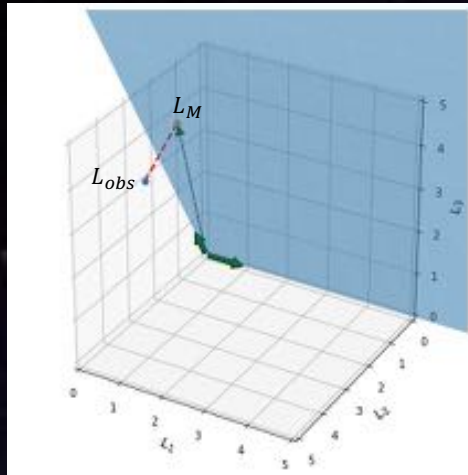
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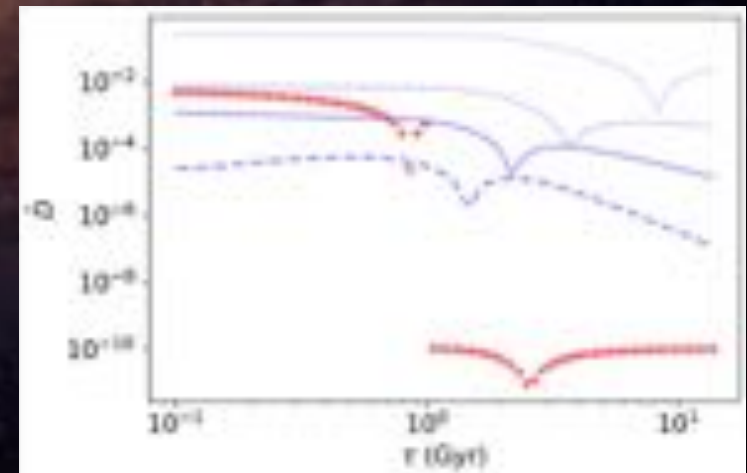
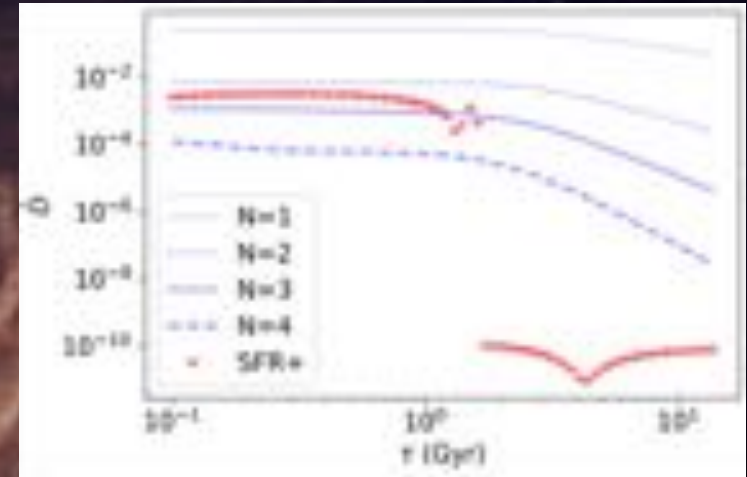


Figure 3. Best fitting normalized distances associated with each polynomial degree, N (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses) for different characteristic times of the exponential (upper panel) and delayed- τ (bottom panel) analytical models.

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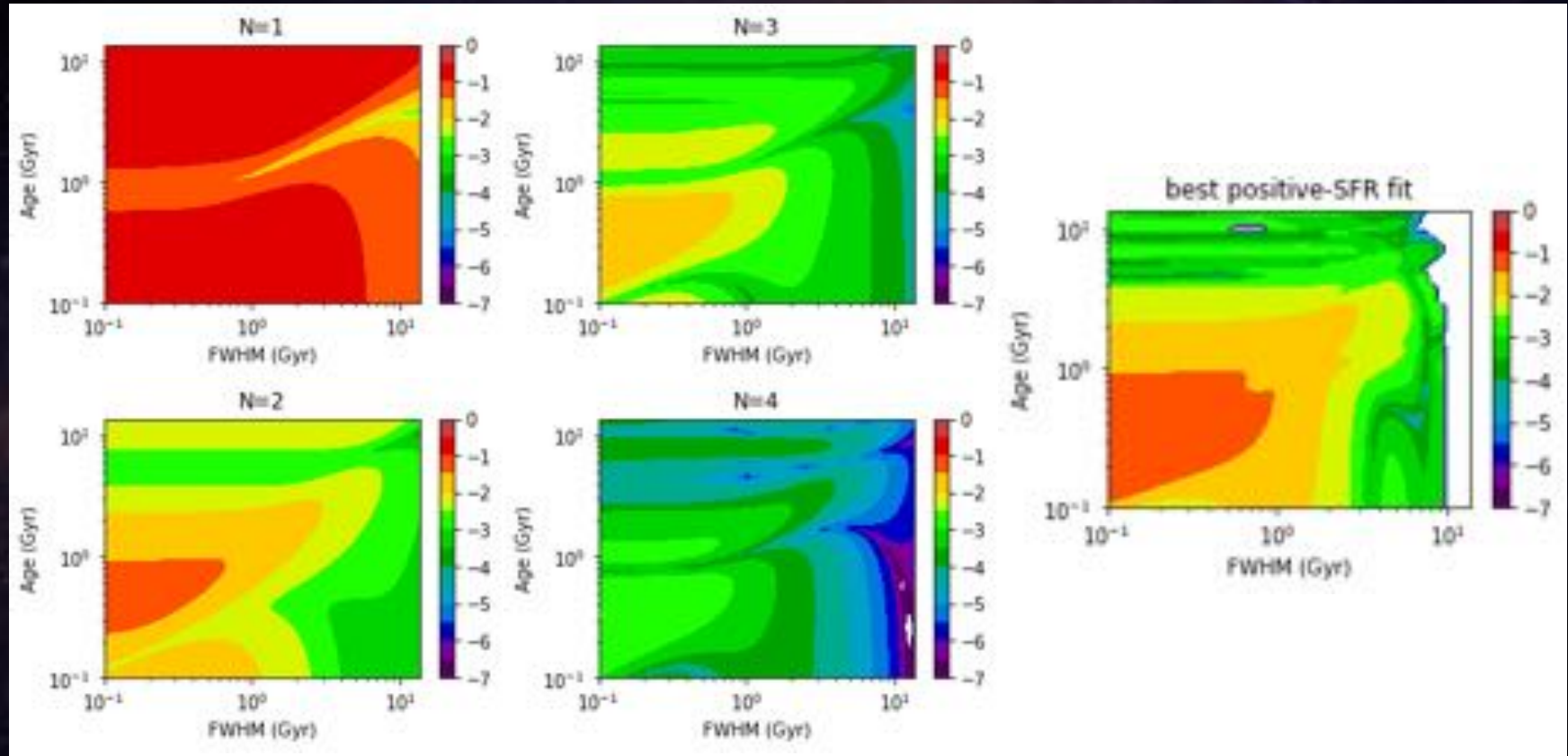


Figure 4. Best fitting normalized distances associated with each polynomial degree, N, and the best positive-SFR fit for different ages and FWHMs of the Gaussian synthetic SFHs.

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IllustrisTNG-100-1

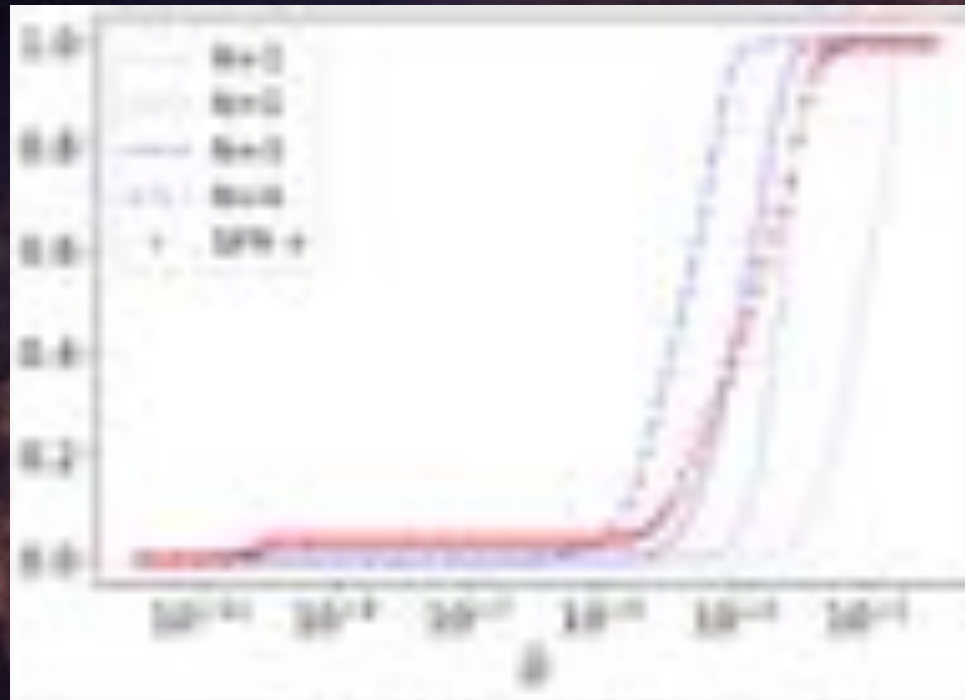


Figure 5. Fraction of galaxies of the Illustris sample with distances under a certain value, for each polynomial degree, N (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses).



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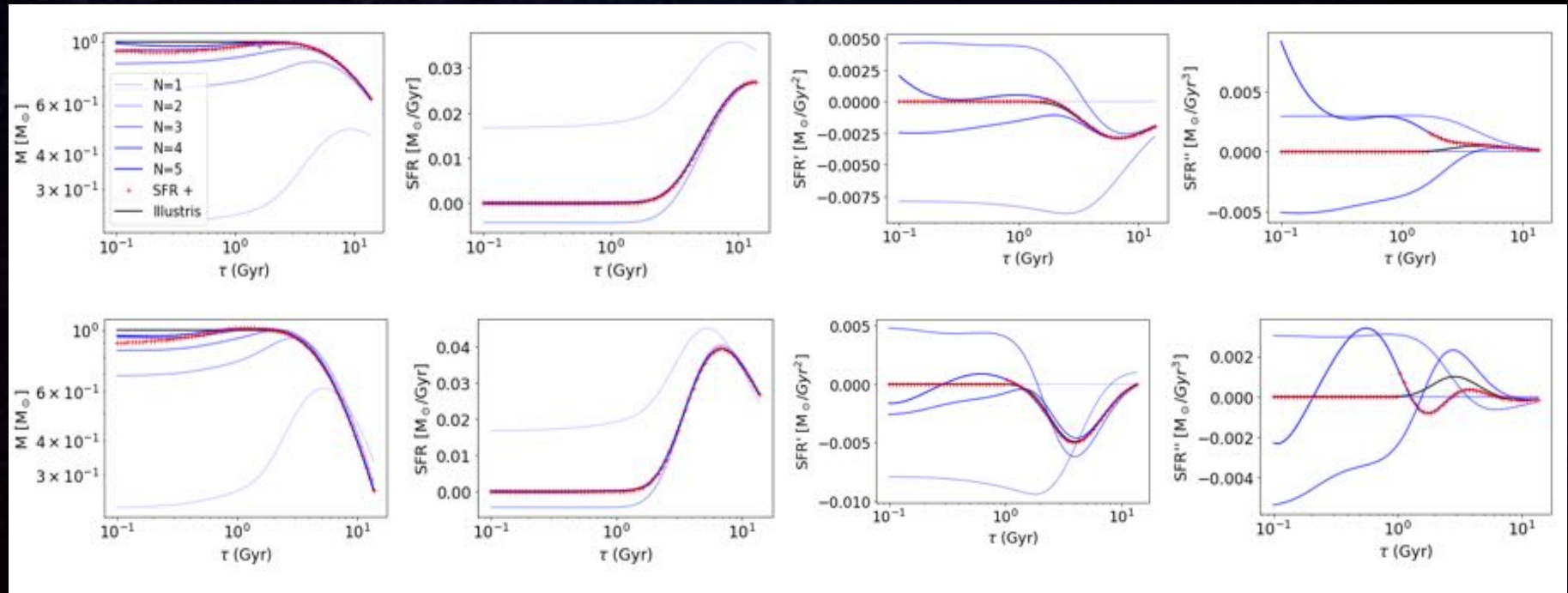
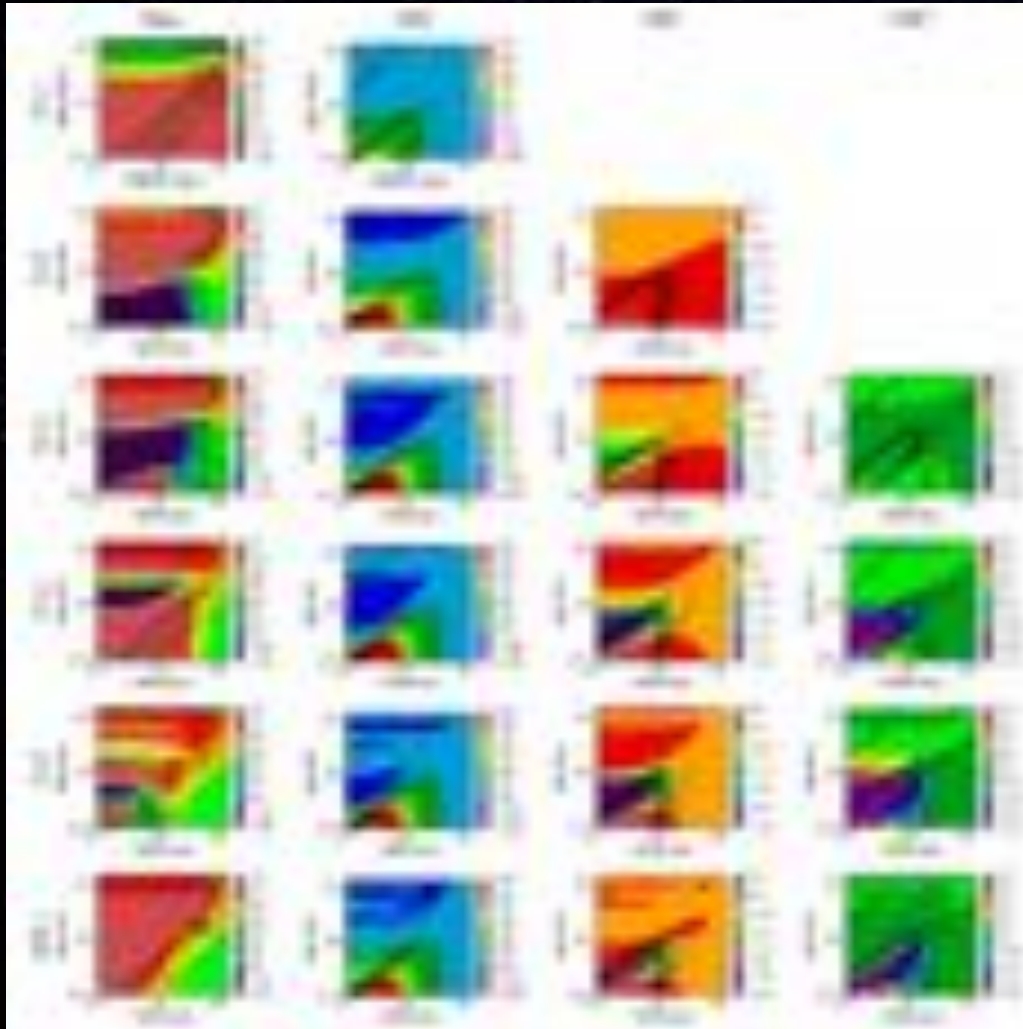


Figure 6. Estimates of the MFH reconstructed at the present time for the exponential (upper row) and delayed- τ (bottom row) synthetic SFHs with different timescales, τ , compared with the correct values (solid black lines). Red crosses correspond to the best positive-SFR fit.

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Figure 7. Estimates of the MFH reconstructed at the present time for the Gaussian synthetic SFHs with different ages and FWHMs, compared with the correct values (black contours).

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$$\hat{\delta M}(t) = \frac{\Delta M_{poly} - \Delta M_{sim}}{|\Delta M_{poly}| + |\Delta M_{sim}|}$$

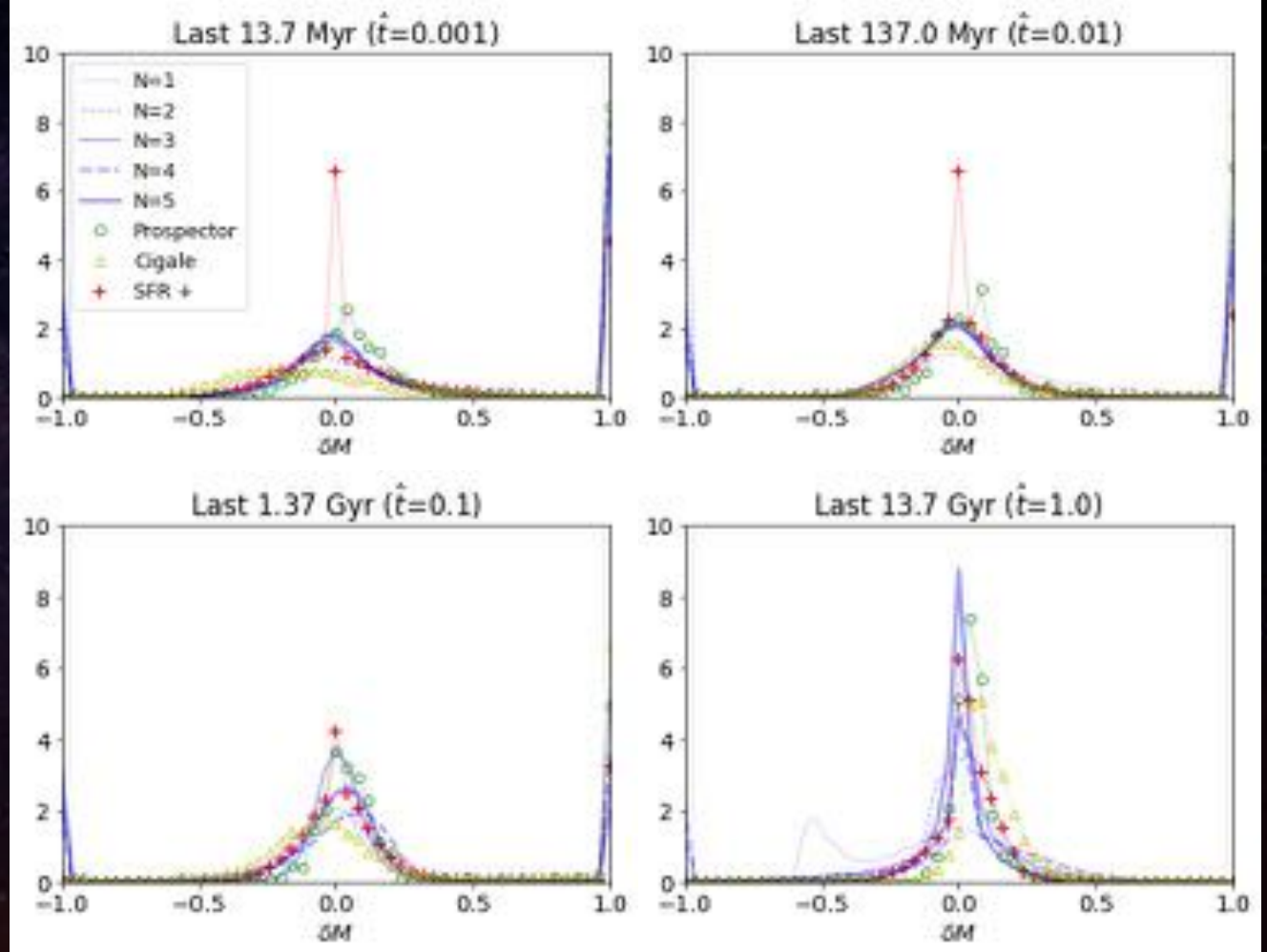


Figure 8. Probability densities of the δM , for different values of the normalized lookback time for the polynomial methods (blue lines), the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses), the Prospector model (green circles), and the Cigale fit (yellow triangles).



RECONSTRUCTED HISTORIES

EXPONENTIAL SFH

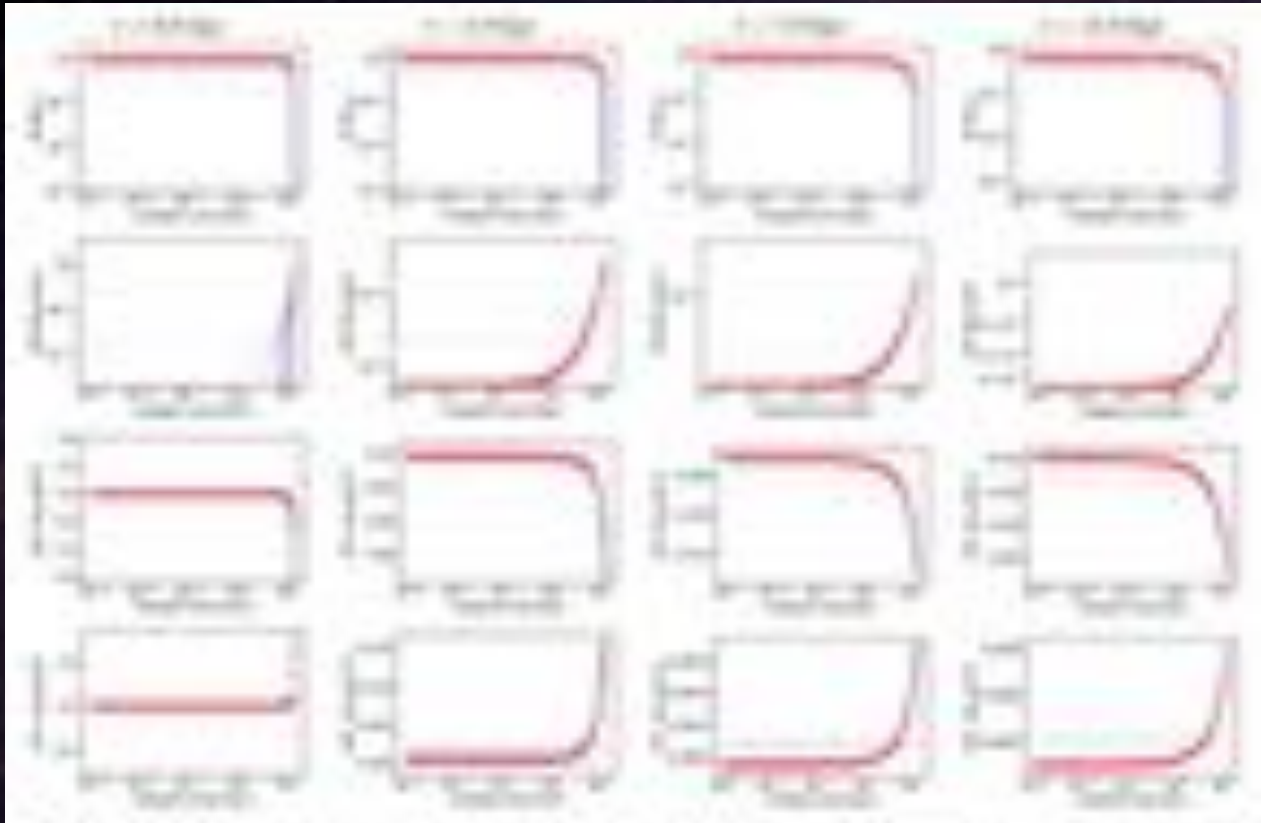


Figure 9. MFHs reconstructed from a sample of synthetic exponential SFR with different timescales τ , with our parametric model (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses) compared to the input model (solid black line).

DELAYED $-\tau$ SFH

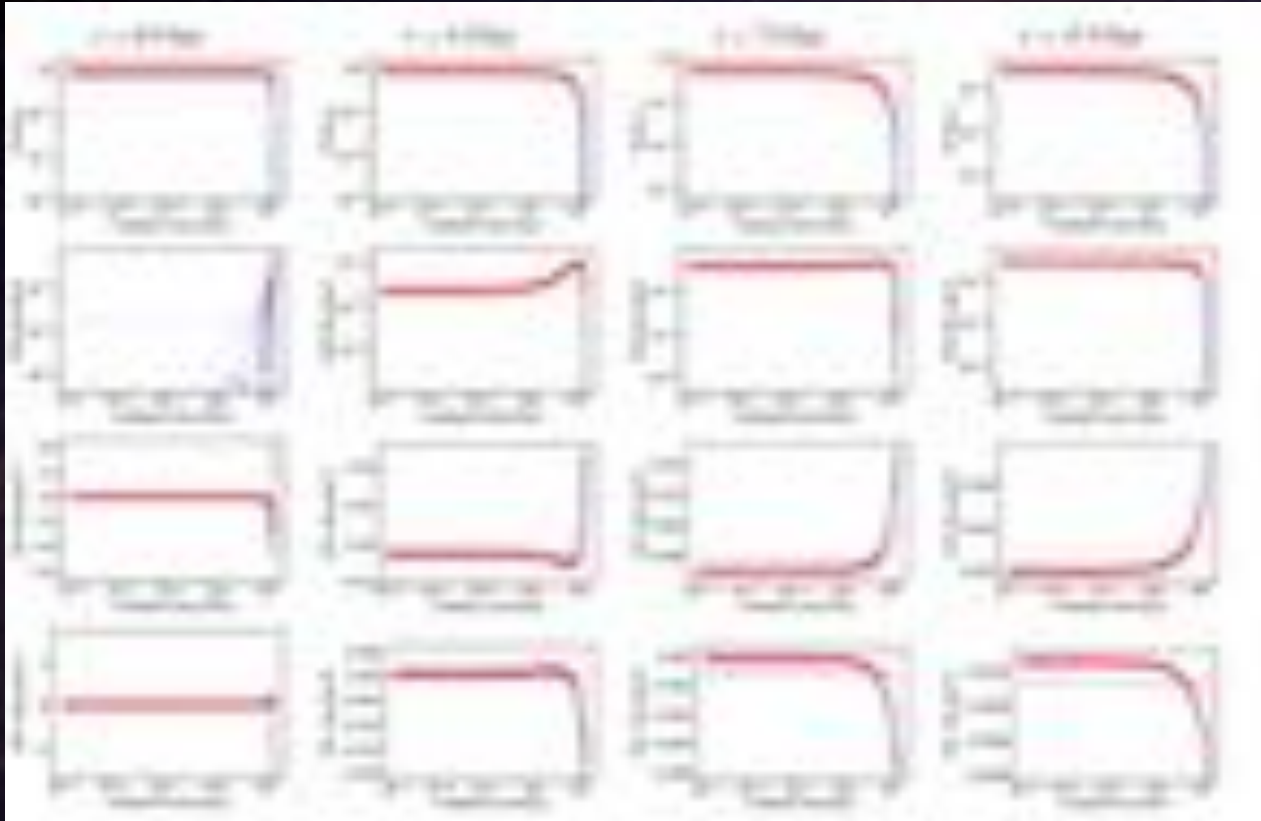


Figure 10. MFHs reconstructed from a sample of synthetic exponential-delayed SFR with different timescales τ , with our parametric model (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses) compared to the input model (solid black line).

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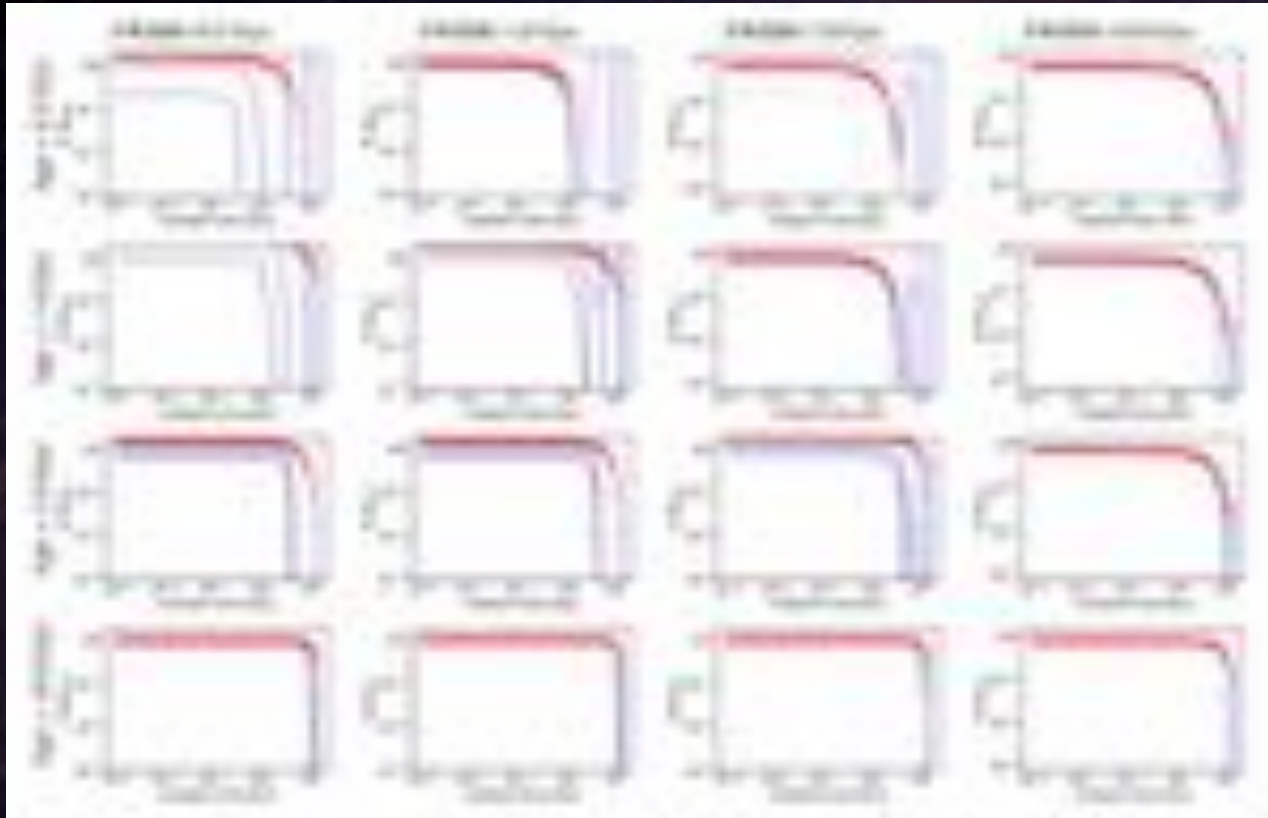


Figure 11. Mass formation history reconstructed for a sample of synthetic Gaussian SFR with different peak age and FWHM, with our parametric model (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses) compared to the input model (solid black line).

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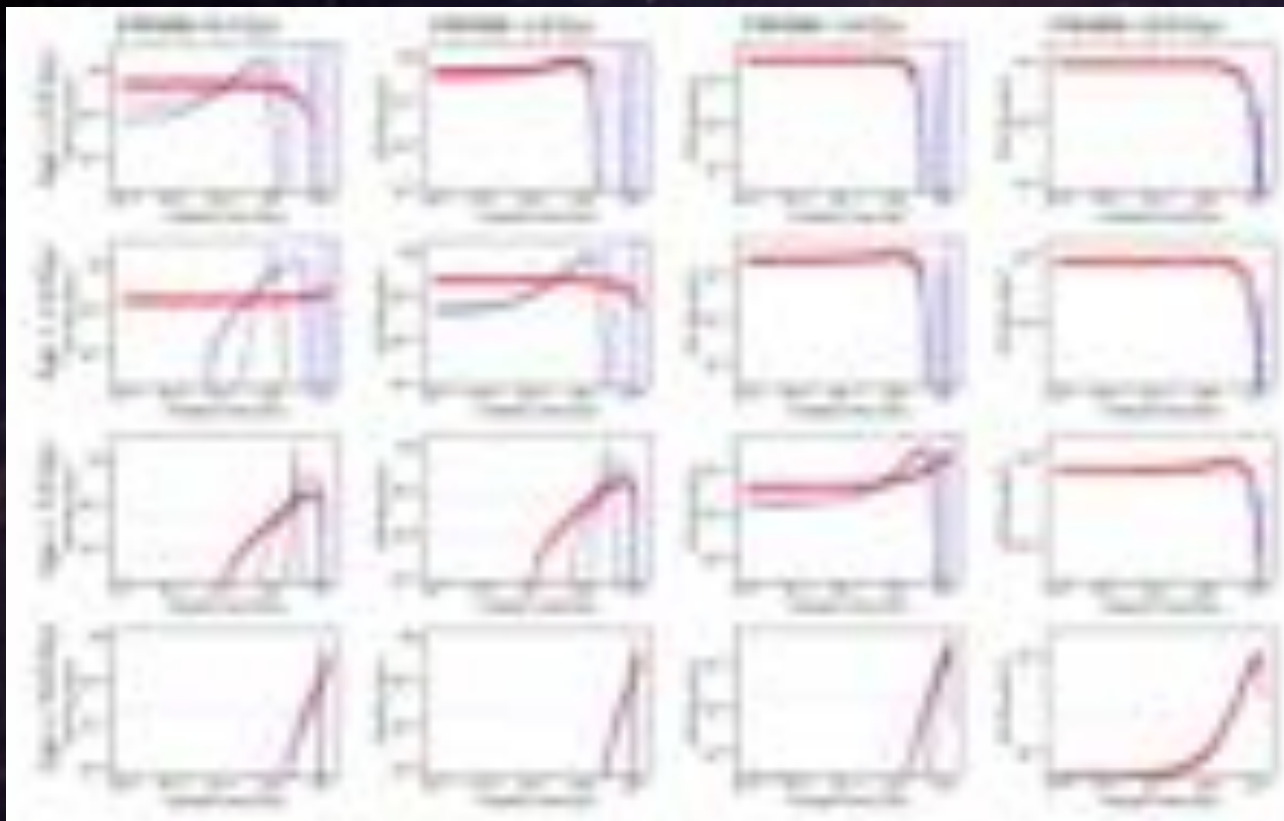


Figure 12. Star formation rate reconstructed for a sample of synthetic Gaussian SFR with different peak age and FWHM, with our parametric model (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses) compared to the input model (solid black line).

GAUSSIAN SFH: $\dot{\Psi}(\hat{t})$

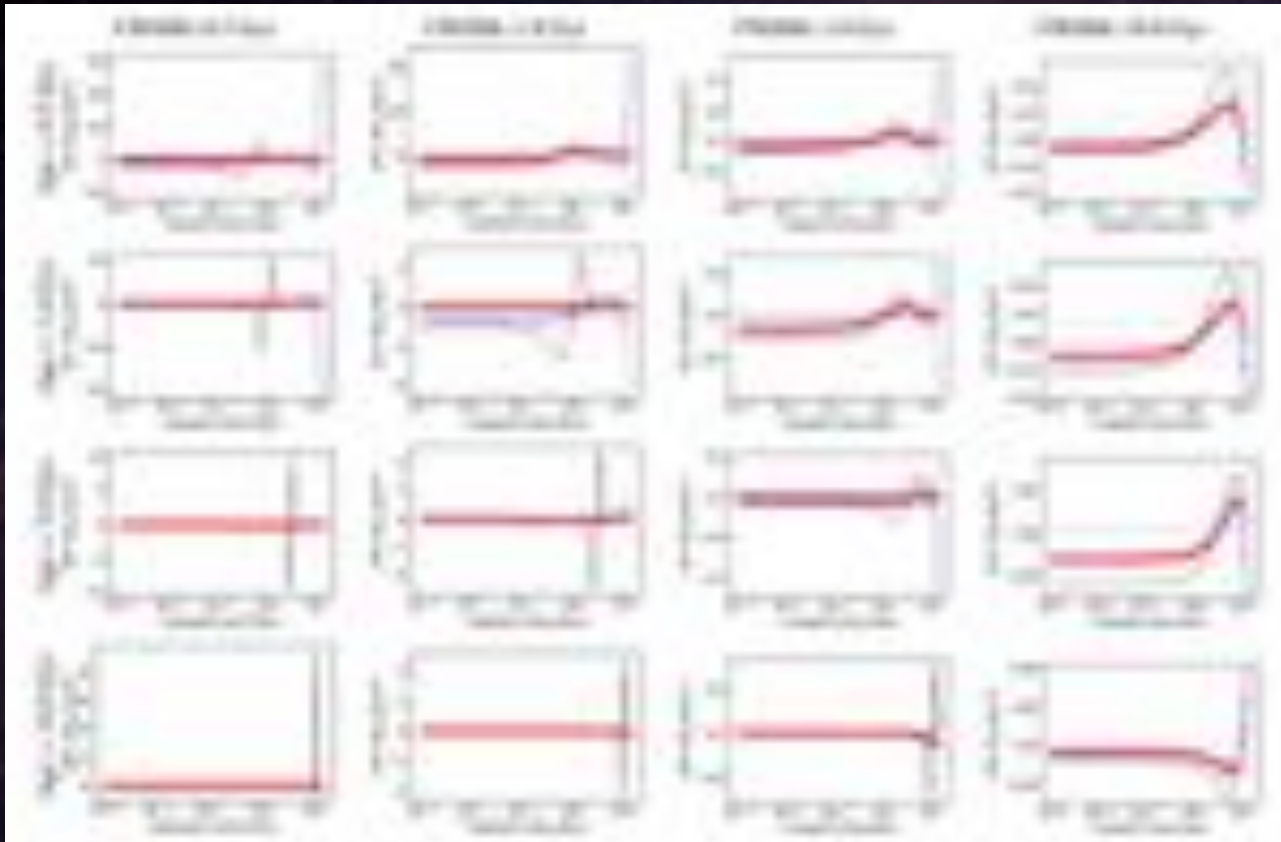


Figure 13. Time derivative of the star formation rate reconstructed for a sample of synthetic Gaussian SFR with different peak age and FWHM, with our parametric model (blue lines) and the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses) compared to the input model (solid black line).

Illustris sample: $M(\hat{t})$

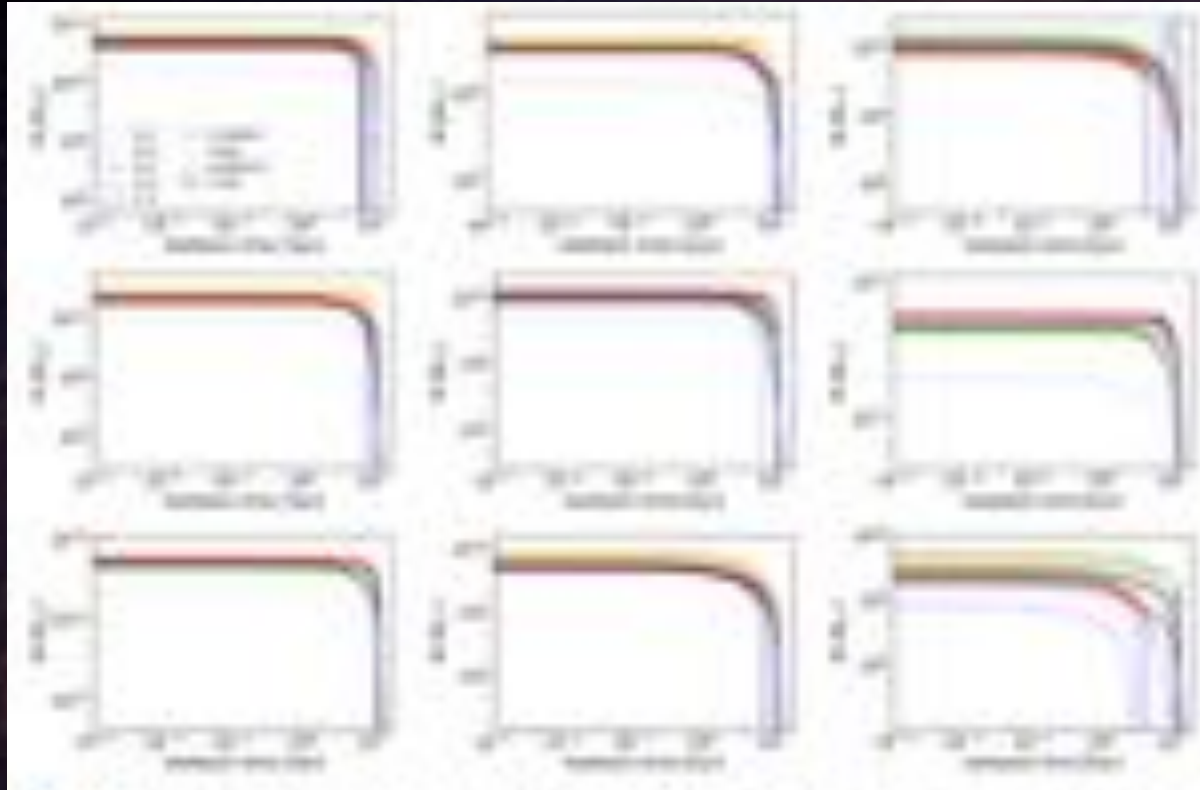


Figure 14. Mass formation history reconstructed for some of the galaxies of the Illustris sample with our polynomial model (blue lines), the best positive-SFR fit (red crosses), Prospector (green circles) and Cigale (yellow triangles), compared to the input model (black solid lines)

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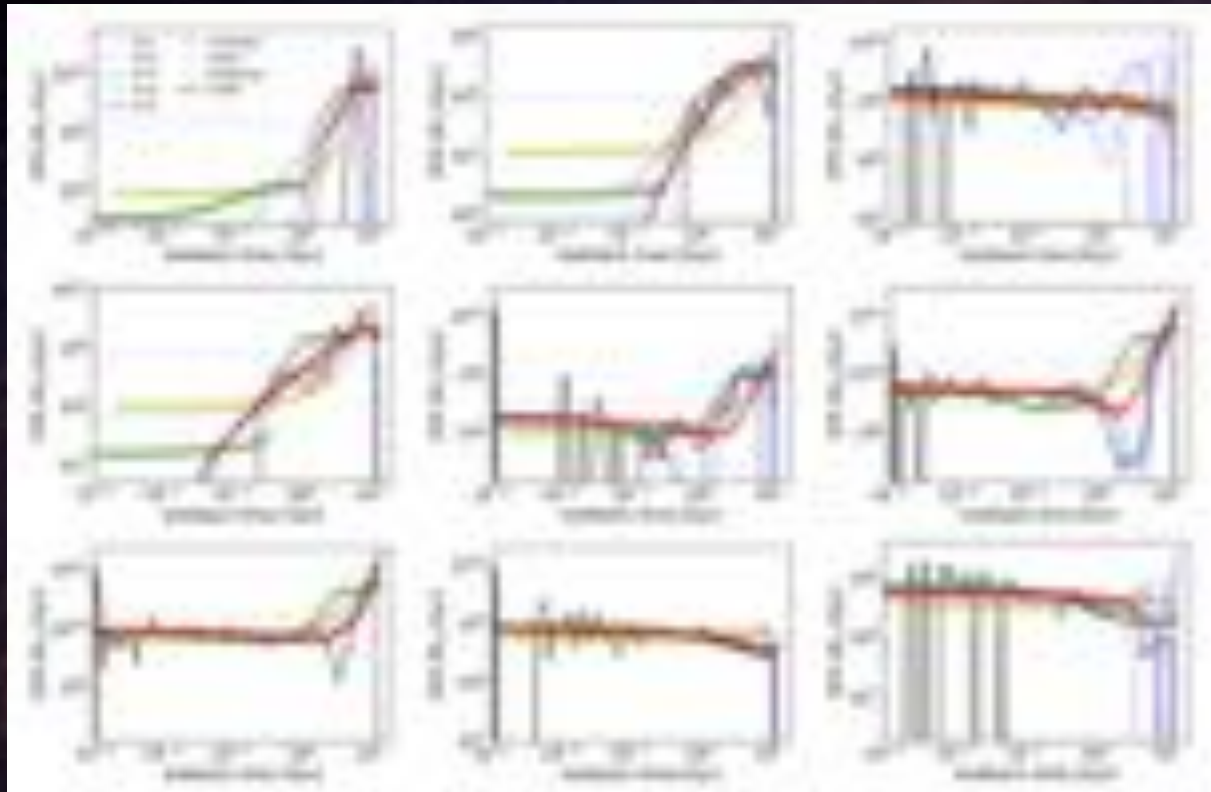


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 - Dust extinction
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**THANK YOU FOR
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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL - OBS. ERRORS & BAYESIAN TREATMENT

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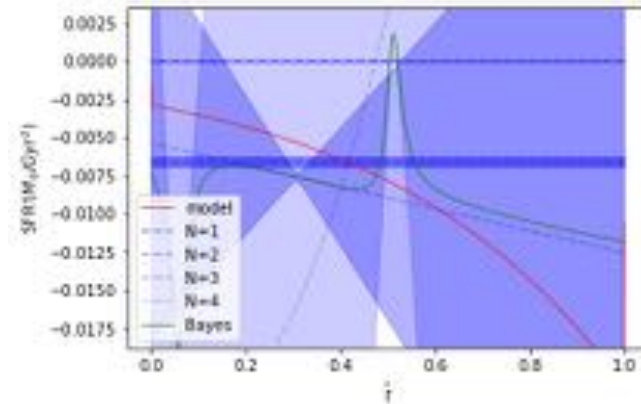
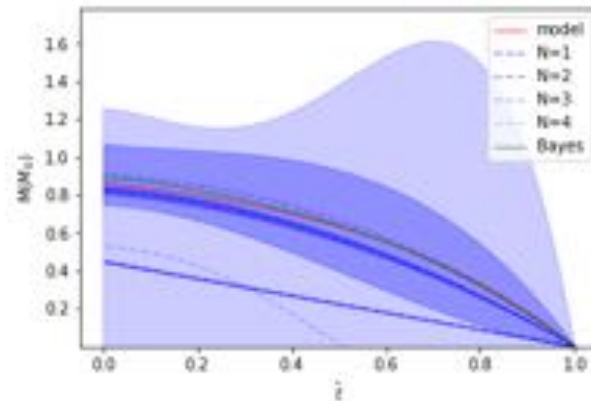
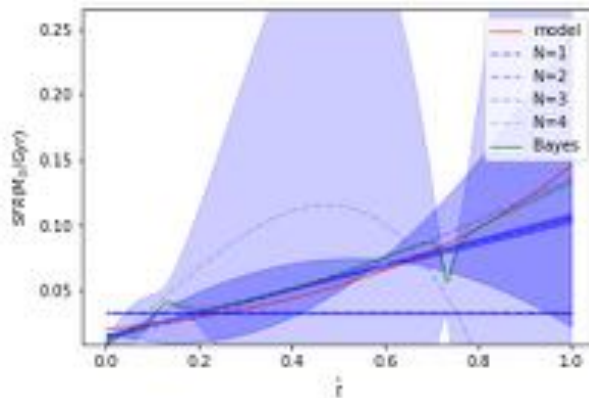
$$\Delta u = \pm 2\%$$

$$\Delta g, r, i, z = \pm 1\%$$

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=ugriz} \frac{(L_{model_i} - L_{obs_i})^2}{(\Delta L_{obs_i})^2}$$

$$\omega_i(t) = \frac{e^{-2,5 \cdot \chi^2}}{\sigma(t)_i^2}$$

$$Bay(t) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N M_i \omega_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i}$$



S1. Example of observational errors and bayesian treatments.

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL - MATHEMATICAL FORMALISM

$$M^{(N)}(\hat{t}) = \sum_i \delta_i^{(N)} B_i^{(N)}(\hat{t})$$

$$B_i^{(N)}(\hat{t}) = \sum_{n=0}^i \beta_{n,i}^{(N)} \mathcal{M}_n^{(N)}(\hat{t}) \quad \delta_i^{(N)} = \sum L_{\text{obs}}(\nu) L_i^{(N)}(\nu)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_n^{(N)}(\hat{t}) = \hat{t}^n - \hat{t}^N \quad L_i^{(N)}(\nu) = \sum_{n=0}^i \beta_{n,i}^{(N)} \mathcal{L}_n^{(N)}(\nu)$$

$$B_i^{(N)}(\hat{t}) \cdot B_j^{(N)}(\hat{t}) = \delta_{ij} \quad L_M(\nu) = \sum_i \delta_i^{(N)} L_i^{(N)}(\nu)$$

$$d^2 = \sum [L_M(\nu) - L_{\text{obs}}(\nu)]^2$$

$$L(\nu) = \int_0^{t_0} \Psi(t) \mathcal{L}_{\text{SSP}}(\nu, t_0 - t) d\hat{t}$$

S2. Compilation of mathematical formulas used in this work.