

Probability of the most massive cluster under non-Gaussian initial conditions

Chris Gordon

Work done with Laura Cayon and Joe Silk

- ◆ Mullis et al. (2005) discovered a very massive cluster (XMM2235) at z approx 1.4 using XMM-Newton data.
- ◆ Jee et al. (2009) used weak lensing to constrain the mass to be $M_{324} = (6.4 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{14}$
- ◆ Probability of measuring a larger mass in a 11 deg^2 survey between $z=1.4$ and 2.2 is about 3 sigma.

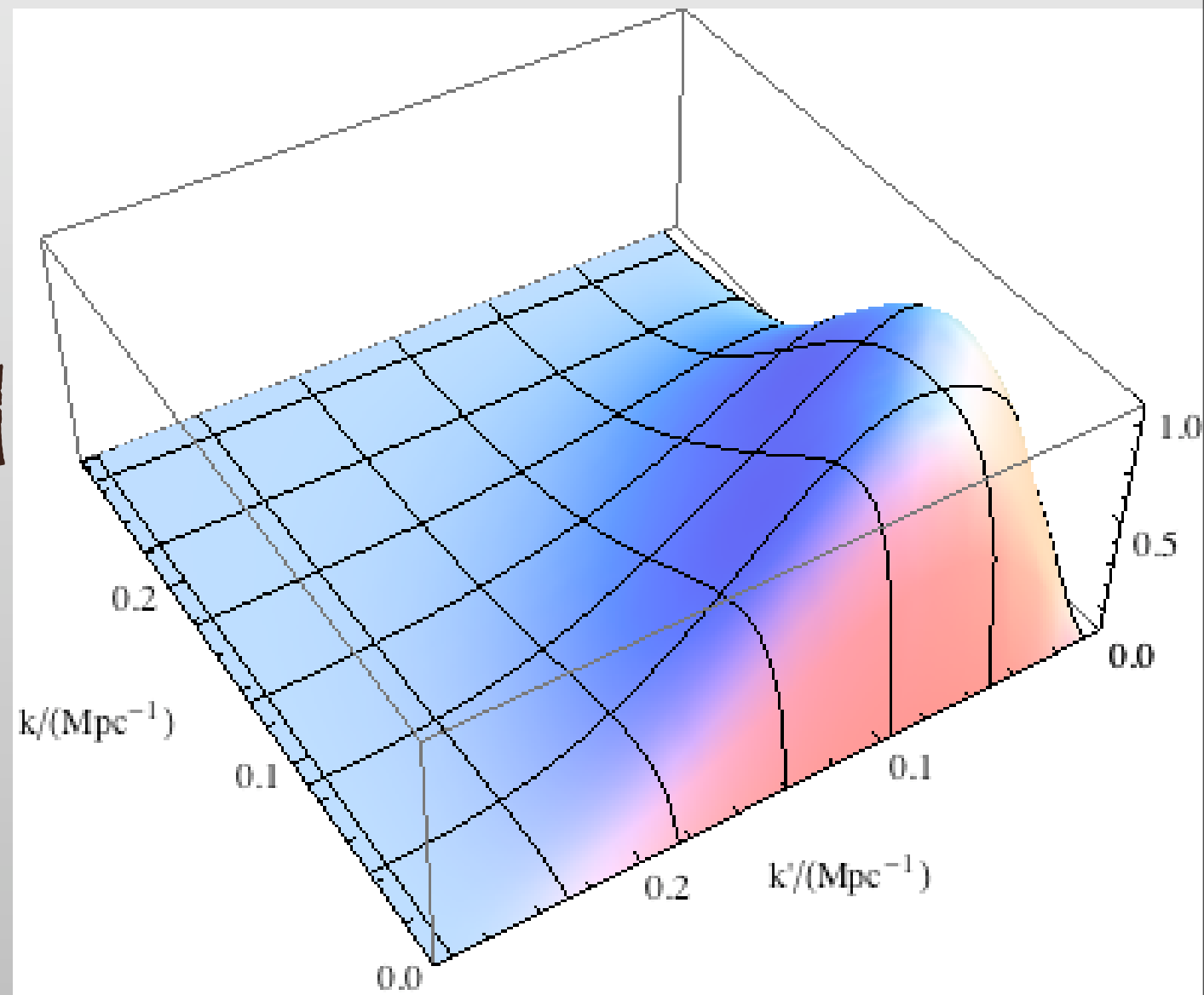
- ◆ Local non-Gaussianity:

$$\Phi(x) = \phi(x) + f_{\text{nl}} (\phi(x)^2 - \langle \phi(x)^2 \rangle)$$

- ◆ Number counts non-Gaussianity
enhancement depends on skewness

(Matarrese et al. 2000): $\frac{dn_{ng}}{dM} = R(S(f_{\text{nl}}), M) \frac{dn}{dM}$

- ◆ f_{nl} can have a step
function like
behavior (Riotto and
Sloth, 2010)



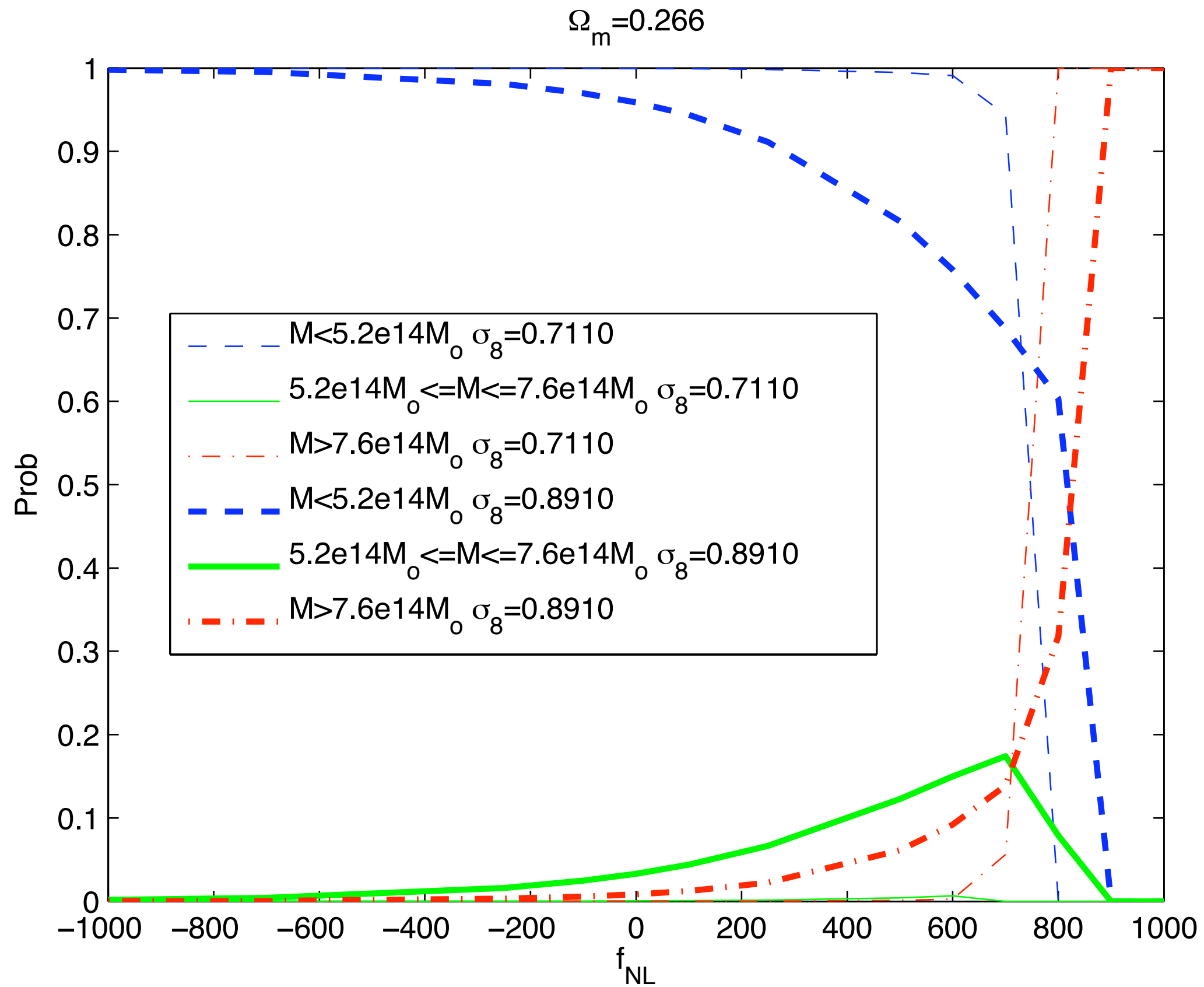
Number counts and Eddington Bias

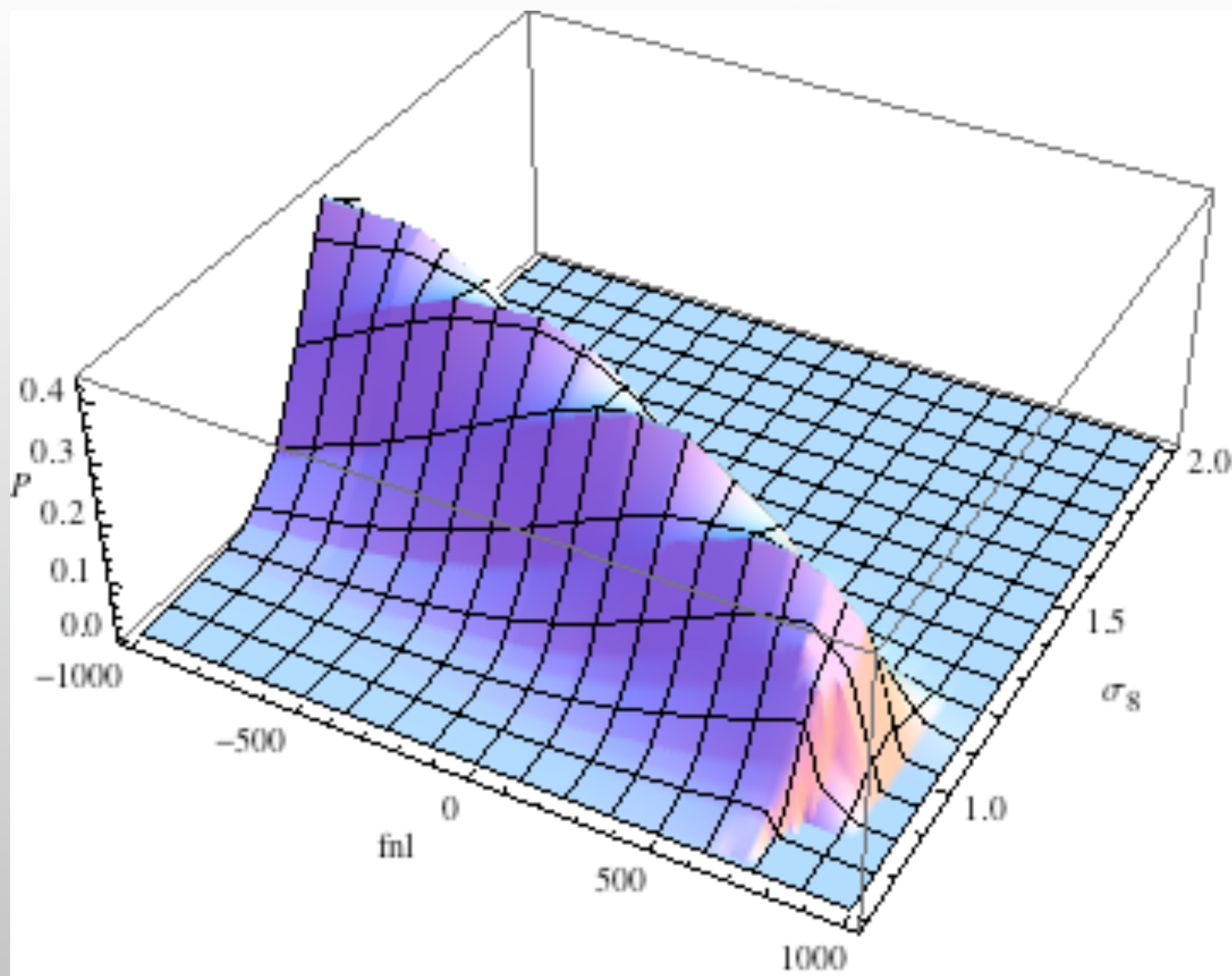
$$N = f_{\text{sky}} \int \int \int dz dM dM_{\text{obs}} p(M_{\text{obs}}|M) \frac{dV(z)}{dz} \frac{dn_{\text{NG}}(M, z, f_{\text{NL}})}{dM}$$

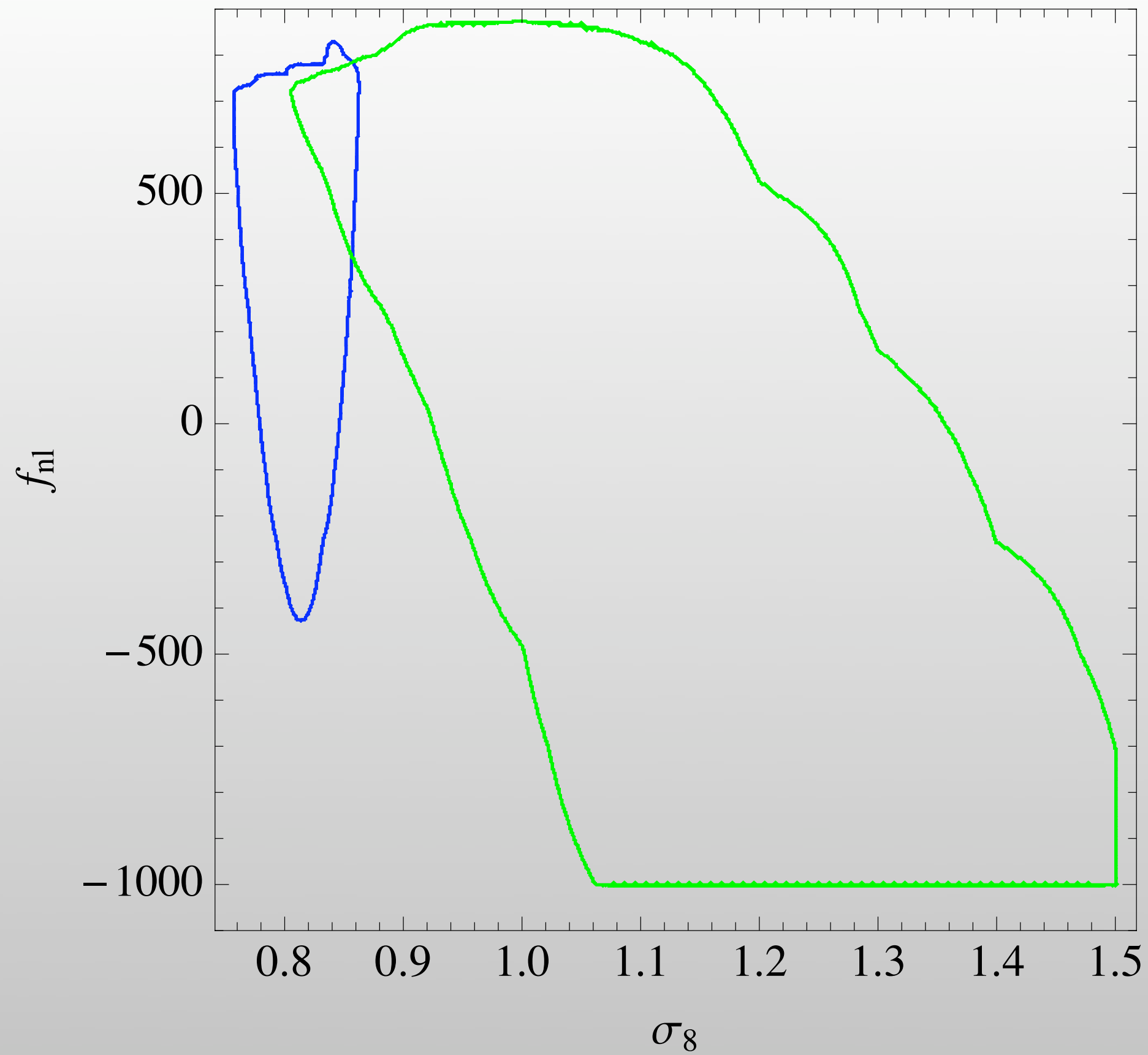
where the measurement error is

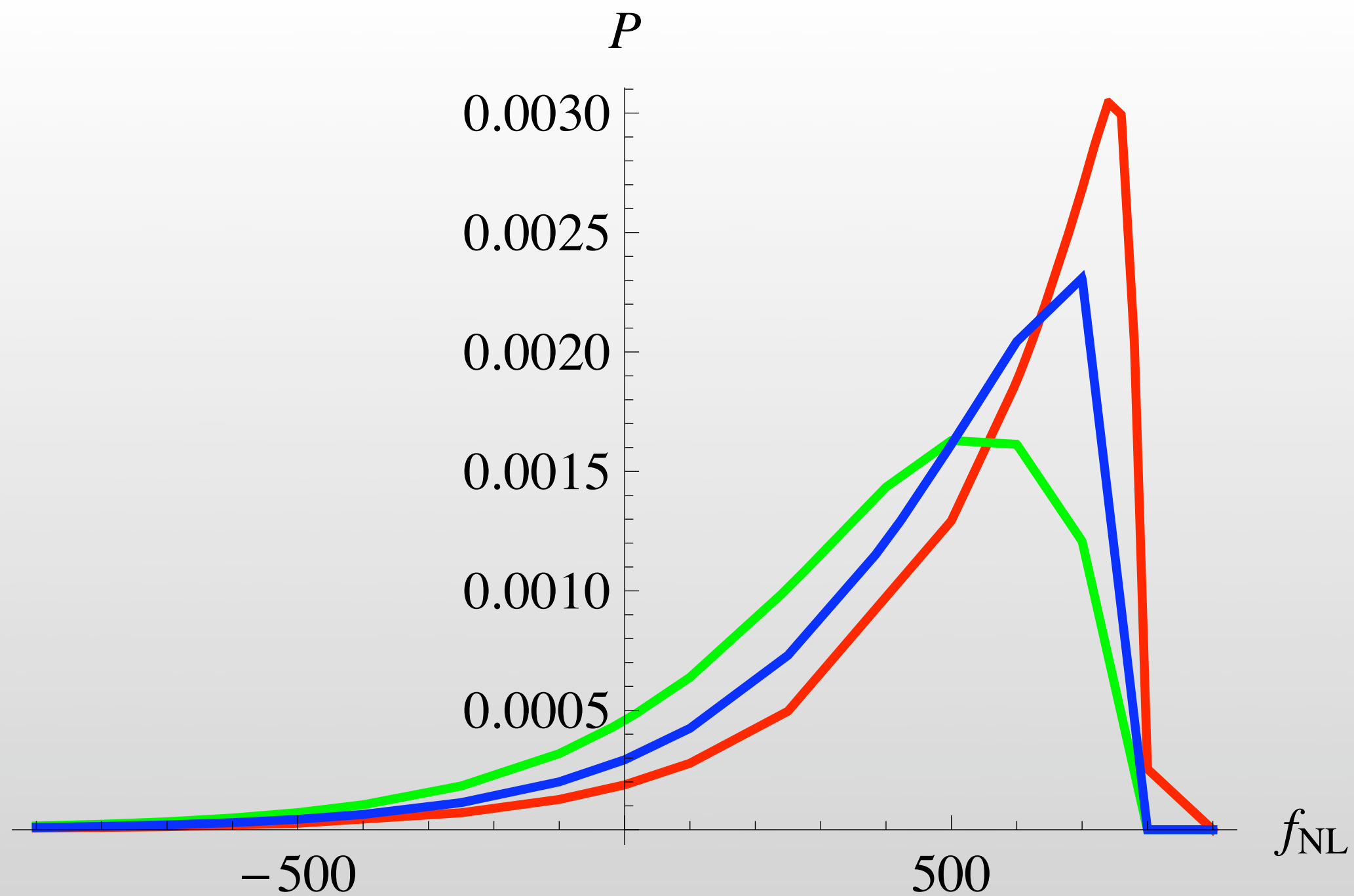
$$p(M_{\text{obs}}|M) = \text{Gaussian}(6.4 \times 10^{14} M_{\odot}, 1.2 \times 10^{14} M_{\odot})$$

The likelihood for the number of clusters can be approximated by a Poisson distribution with a mean of N .









$$p(f_{\text{NL}} > 0 | 11 \text{ sq. deg.}) = 0.95$$

$$p(f_{\text{NL}} > 0 | 100 \text{ sq. deg.}) = 0.92$$

$$p(f_{\text{NL}} > 0 | 286 \text{ sq. deg.}) = 0.88$$

- ◆ For $f_{\text{sky}} \approx 11$ deg. sq. and wave numbers greater than about 0.1 inverse Mpc the XMM2235 cluster's mass is inconsistent with non-Gaussianity at $< 5\%$ level.
- ◆ Taking into account other cluster surveys and assuming they would be able to detect similar high redshift clusters then the inconsistency of just XMM2235 decreases to about $< 12\%$ level.
- ◆ But, taking into account other high redshift clusters as recently done by Hoyle et al. and Enqvist et al. also shows tension with Gaussianity.