

Re-simulating the actual local Universe

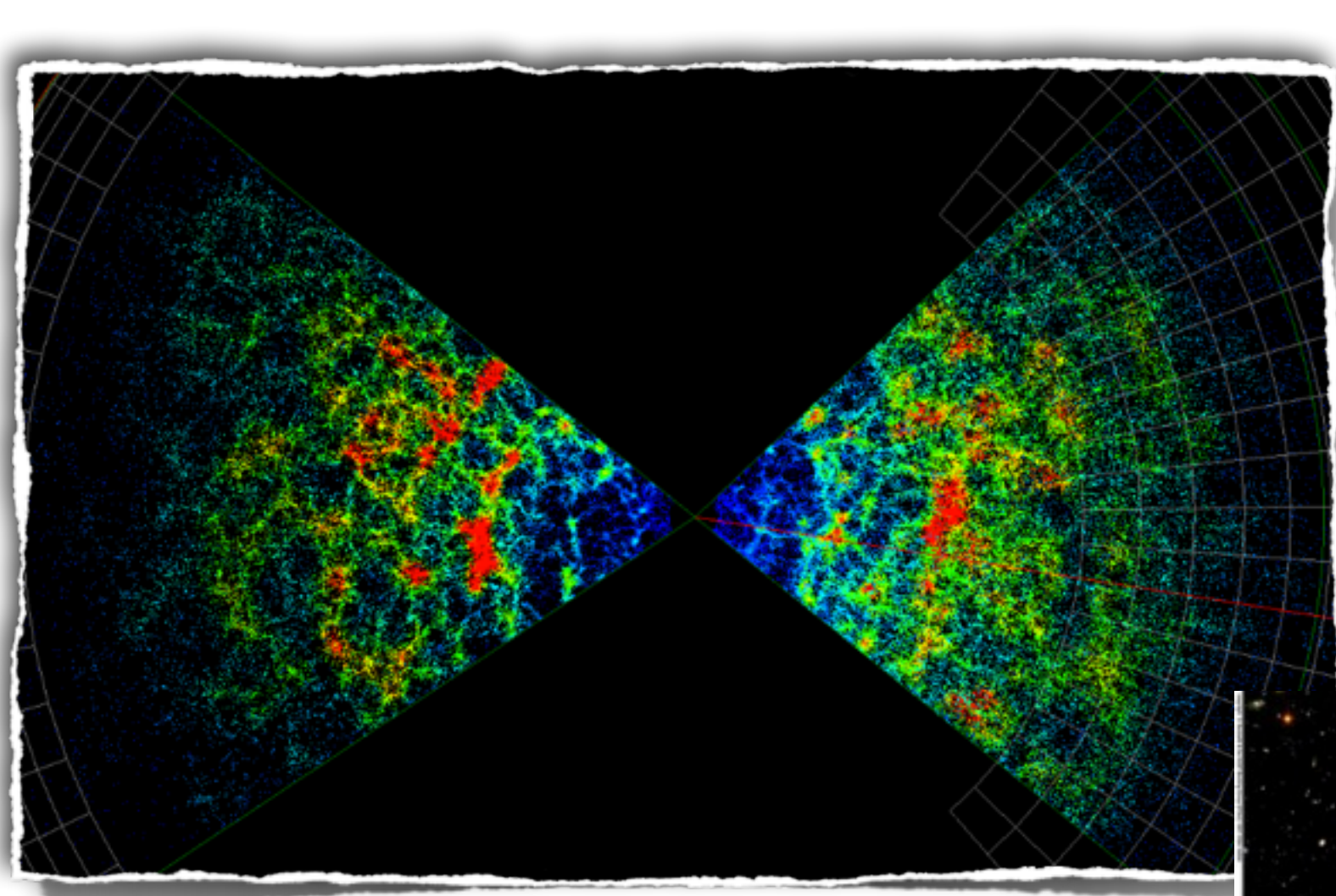
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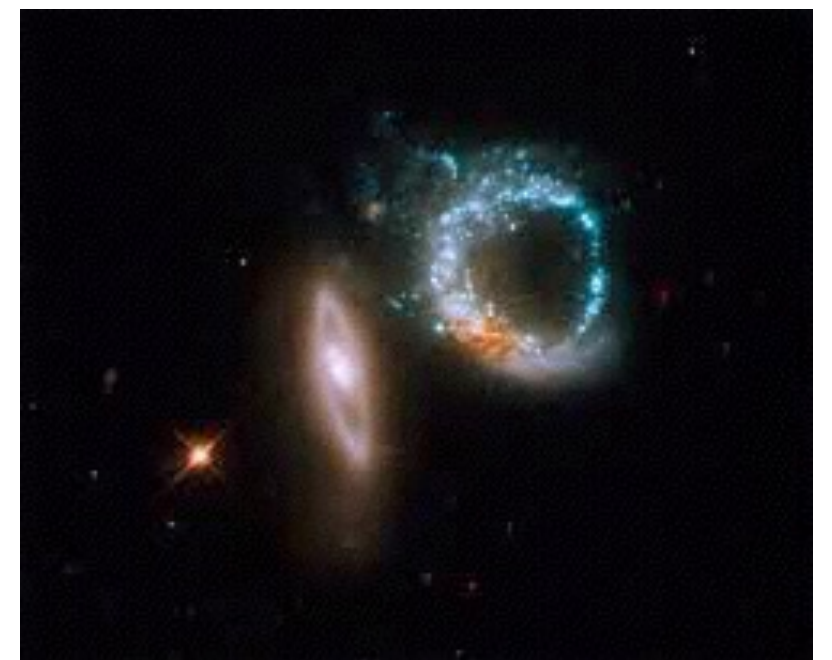
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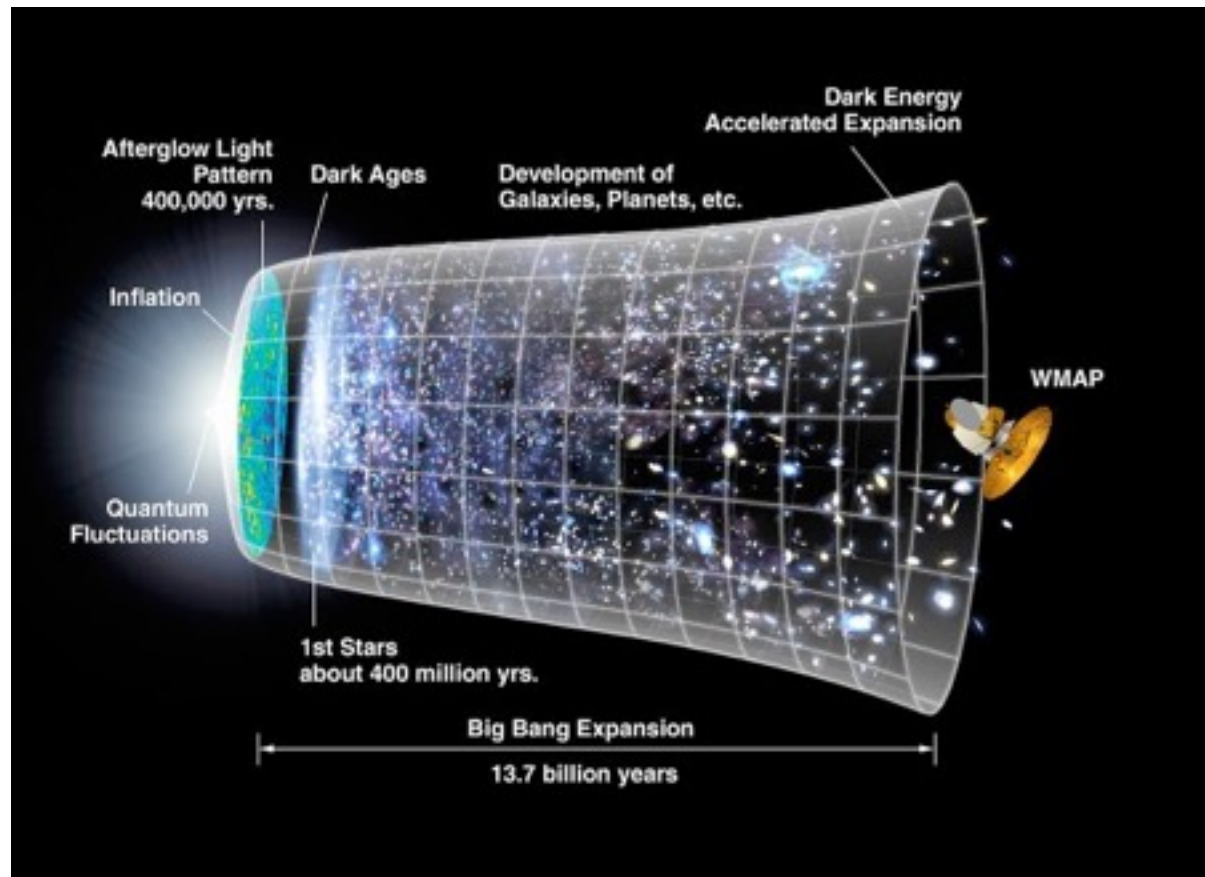
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Galaxies come in a variety of sizes, masses, and shapes...



The standard paradigm

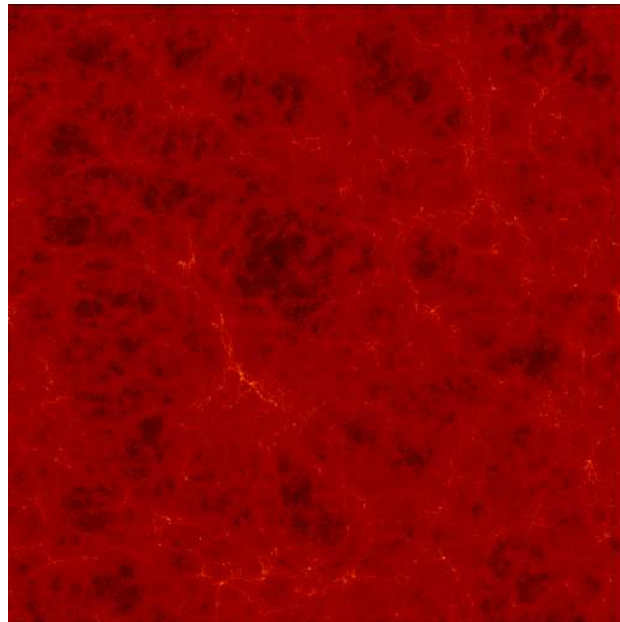


- Big Bang cosmology
- The Universe is dominated by cold dark matter and dark energy
- Primordial perturbations, probably generated by inflation, well constrained by observation (CMB; LSS etc)
- Cosmological models

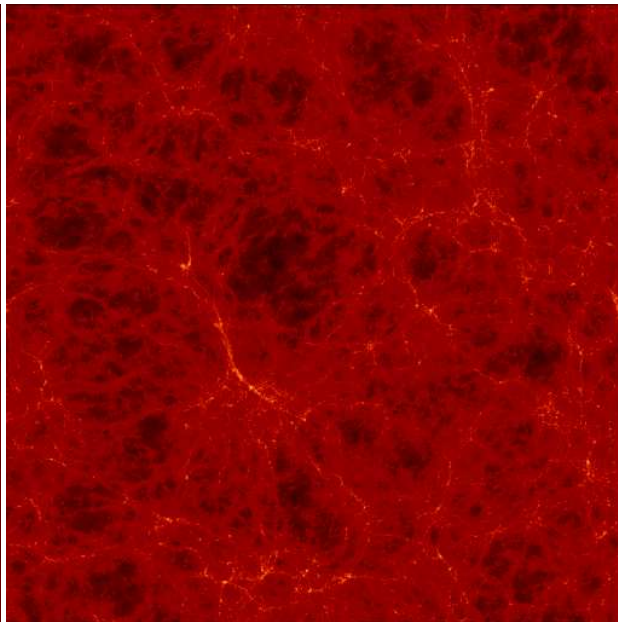
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Numerical simulation results

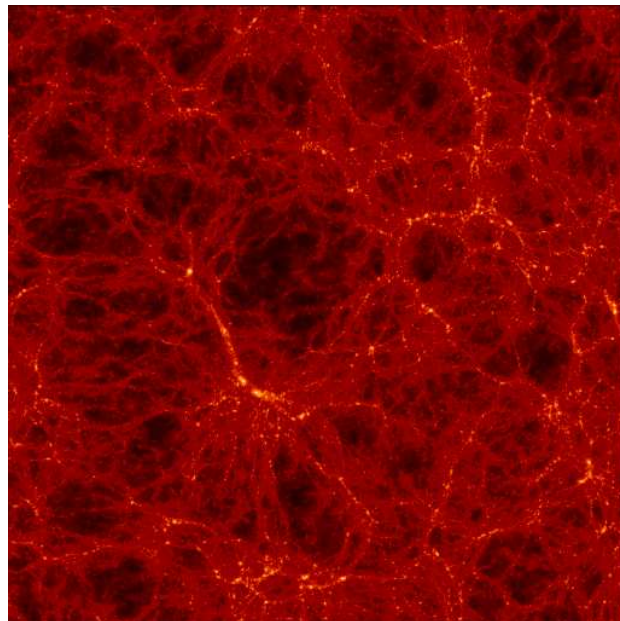
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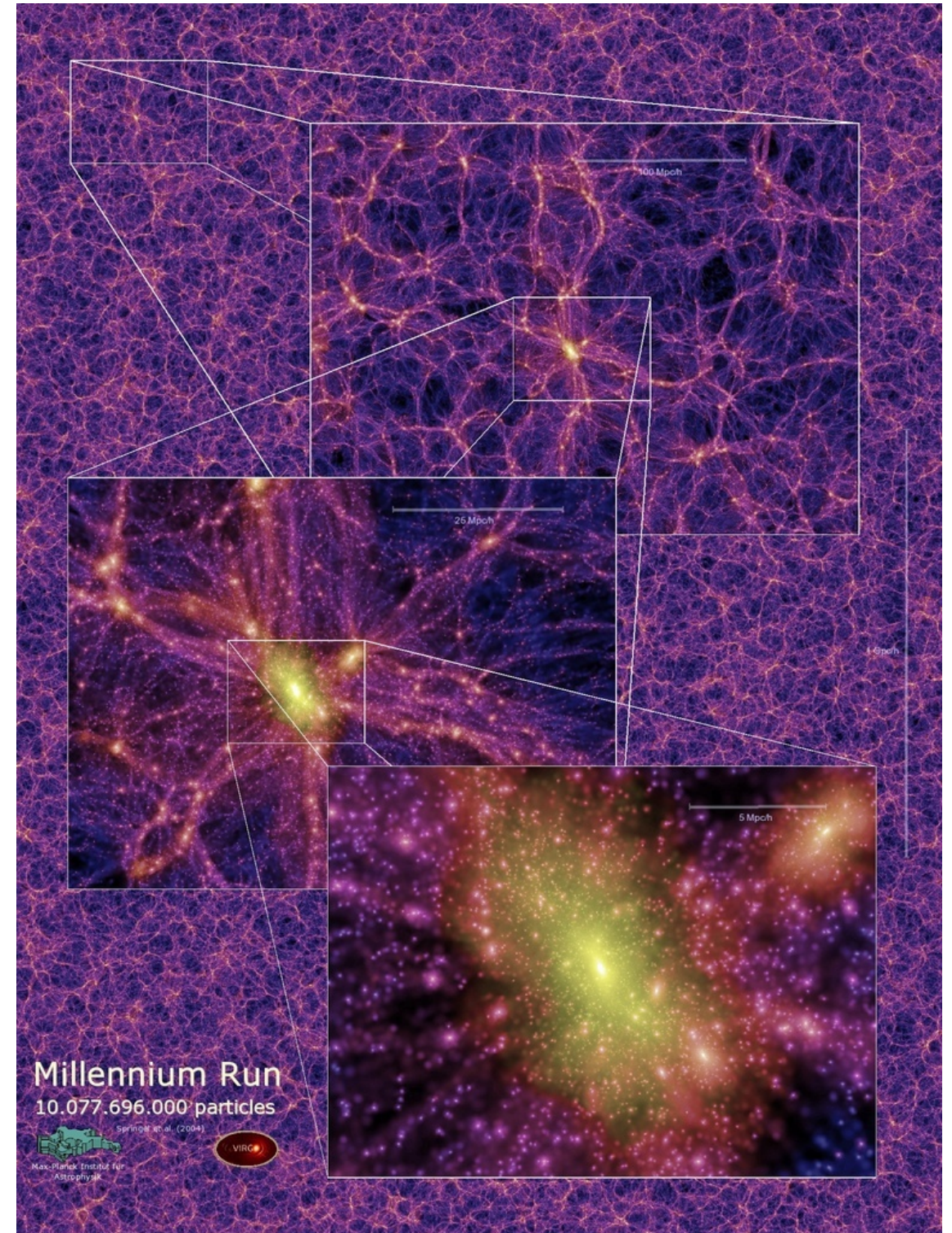
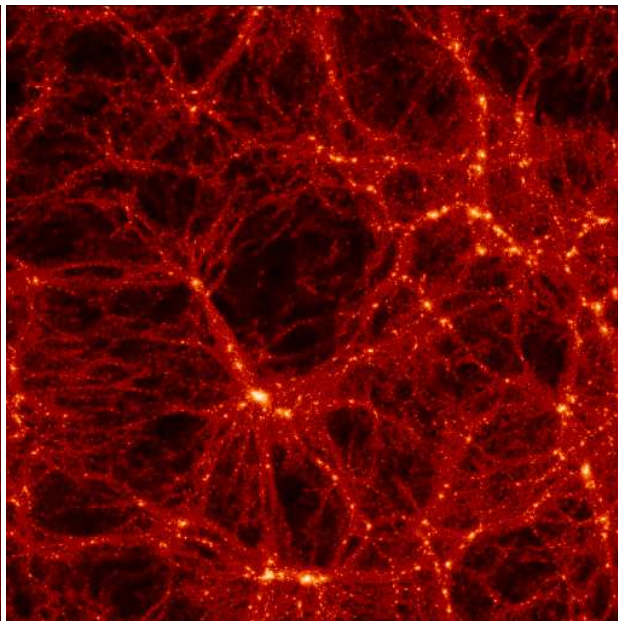
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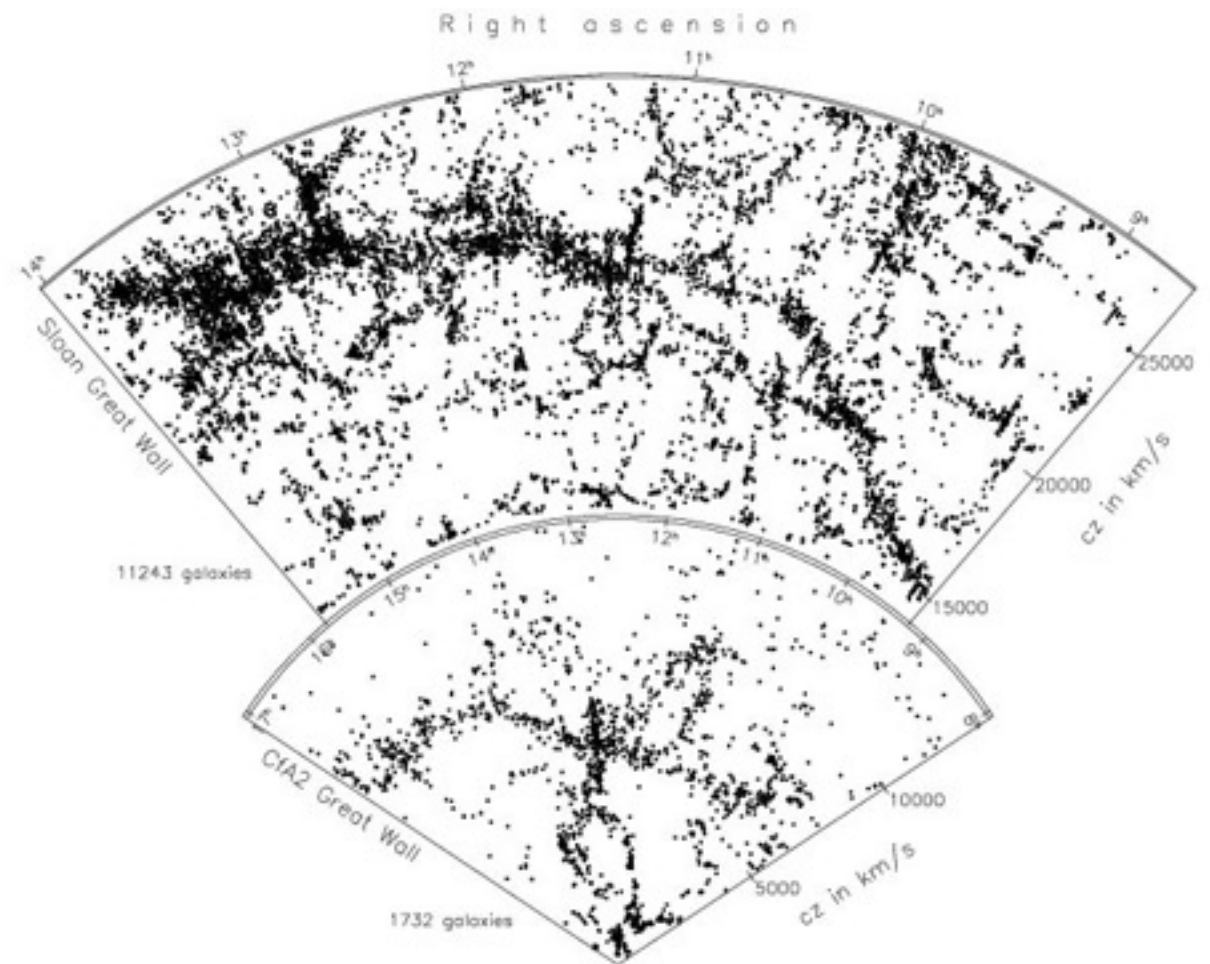
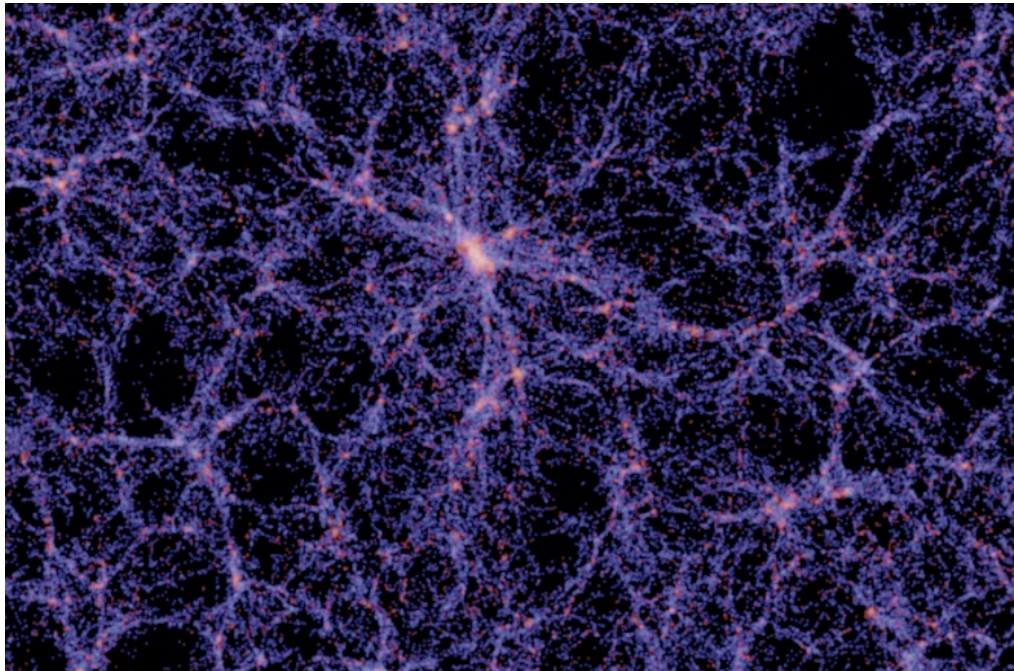
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How do we test theory with observation



Needs constrained reconstruction

If we can accurately reconstruct the initial condition of the local Universe, then we can

- (1) study the histories of the structures we observe;
- (2) compare data and theory 'directly' (without cosmic variance).

Reconstructing the initial density field

From $\rho_f(\mathbf{x})$ to $\delta_j(\mathbf{k})$

$$Q(\delta_j(\mathbf{k})|\rho_f(\mathbf{x})) = \underbrace{e^{-\sum_{\mathbf{x}}[\rho_{\text{mod}}(\mathbf{x})-\rho_f(\mathbf{x})]^2\omega(\mathbf{x})/2\sigma_f^2(\mathbf{x})}}_{\text{(likelihood)}} \underbrace{\prod_{\mathbf{k}} \prod_{j=0}^1 \frac{1}{[\pi P_{\text{lin}}(k)]^{1/2}} e^{-[\delta_j(\mathbf{k})]^2/P_{\text{lin}}(k)}}_{\text{(prior)}}$$

From $\delta_j(\mathbf{k})$ to $\rho_{\text{mod}}(\mathbf{x})$ 2LP T; MZA; etc

We adopted PM (Wang et al. 2014)

From current density field to initial density field: Hamiltonian Markov Chain Monte Carlo method

In this subsection, we briefly outline the HMC method (see Hanson 2001; Taylor et al. 2008; JW12 for some more detailed descriptions). The method is itself based on an analogy to solving a physical system in Hamiltonian dynamics. As a first step, we define the potential of the system to be the negative of the logarithm of the target probability distribution,

$$\begin{aligned}\psi[\delta_j(\mathbf{k})] &\equiv -\ln[Q(\delta_j(\mathbf{k})|\rho_f(\mathbf{x}))] \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{half}} \ln[\pi P_{\text{lin}}(k)] + \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{half}} \sum_{j=0}^1 \frac{[\delta_j(\mathbf{k})]^2}{P_{\text{lin}}(k)} + \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{[\rho_{\text{mod}}(\mathbf{x}) - \rho_f(\mathbf{x})]^2 \omega(\mathbf{x})}{2\sigma_f^2(\mathbf{x})}.\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

For each $\delta_j(\mathbf{k})$, a momentum variable, $p_j(\mathbf{k})$, and a mass variable, $m_j(\mathbf{k})$, are introduced. The Hamiltonian of the fictitious system can then be written as

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{half}} \sum_{j=0}^1 \frac{p_j^2(\mathbf{k})}{2m_j(\mathbf{k})} + \psi[\delta_j(\mathbf{k})]. \quad (5)$$

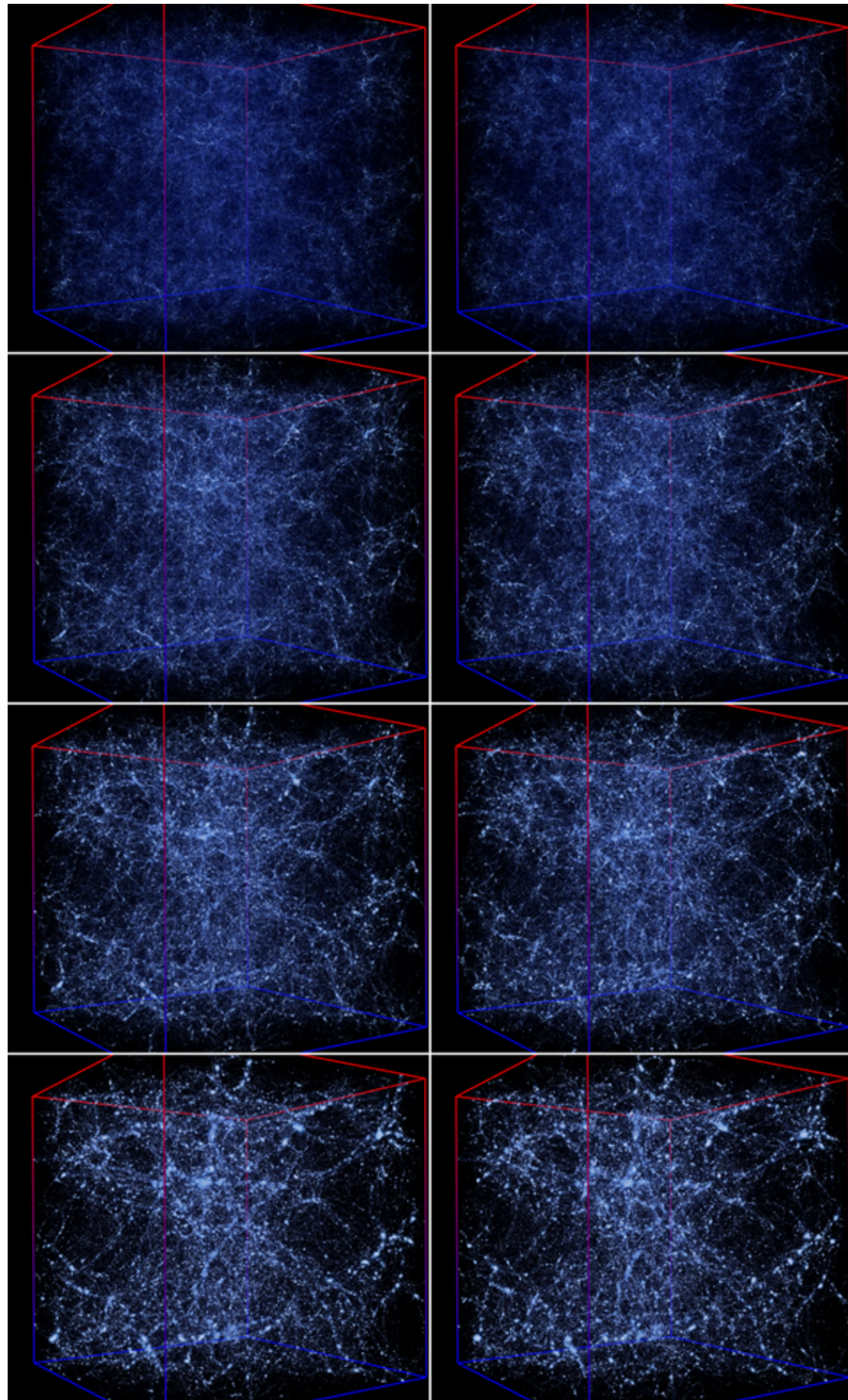
The statistical properties of the system is given by the partition function, $\exp(-H)$, which can be separated into a Gaussian distribution in momenta $p_j(\mathbf{k})$ multiplied by the target distribution,

$$\exp(-H) = Q[\delta_j(\mathbf{k})|\rho_f(\mathbf{x})] \prod_{\mathbf{k}}^{\text{half}} \prod_{j=0}^1 e^{-\frac{p_j^2(\mathbf{k})}{2m_j(\mathbf{k})}}. \quad (6)$$

Thus, the target probability distribution can be obtained by first sampling this partition function and then marginalizing over momenta (i.e setting all the momenta to be zero).

Original

From reconstructed IC

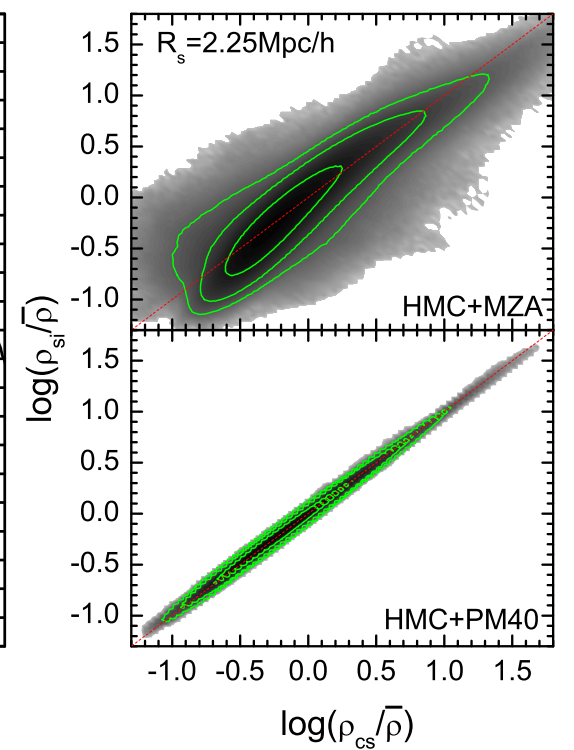
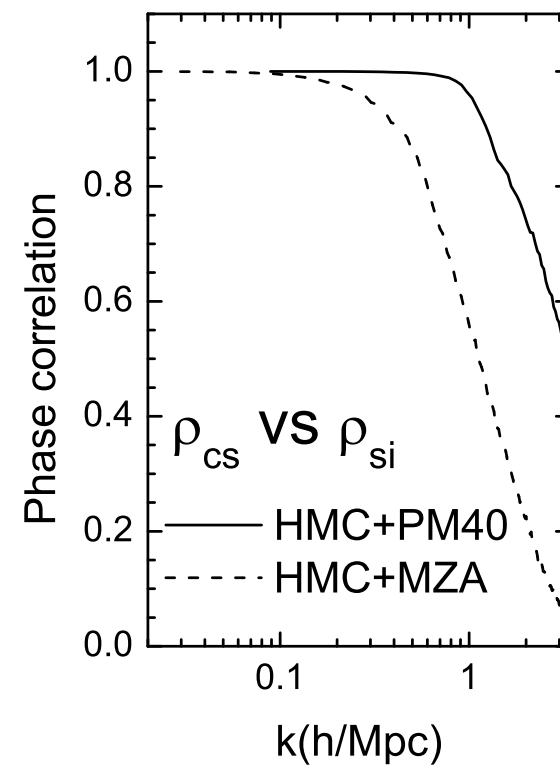
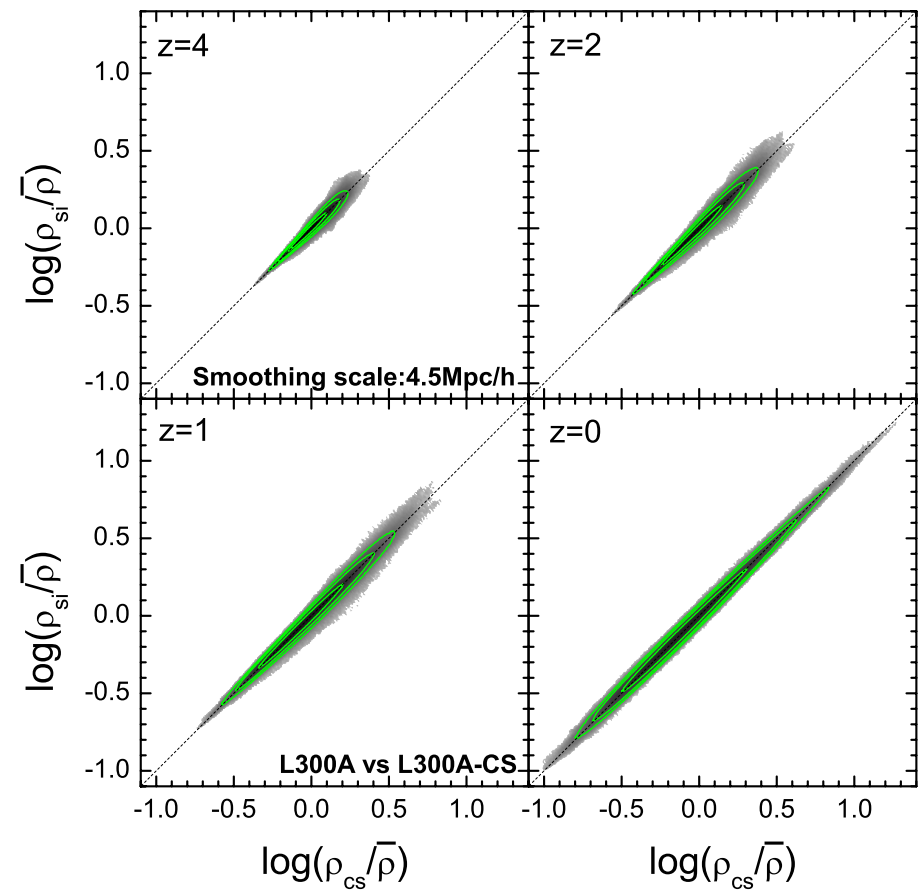


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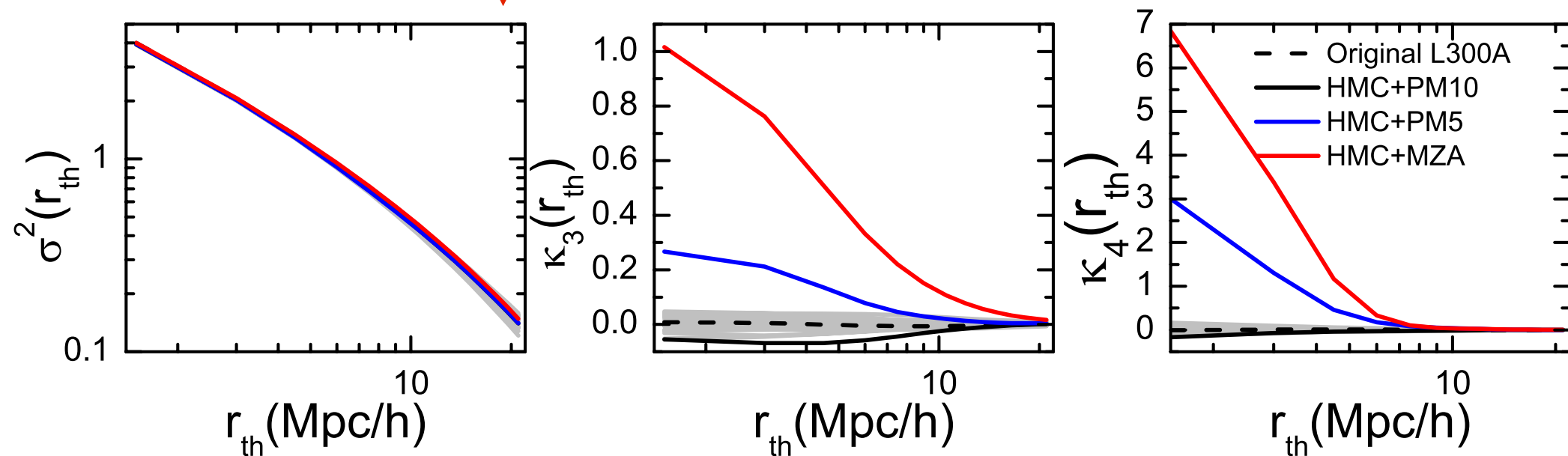
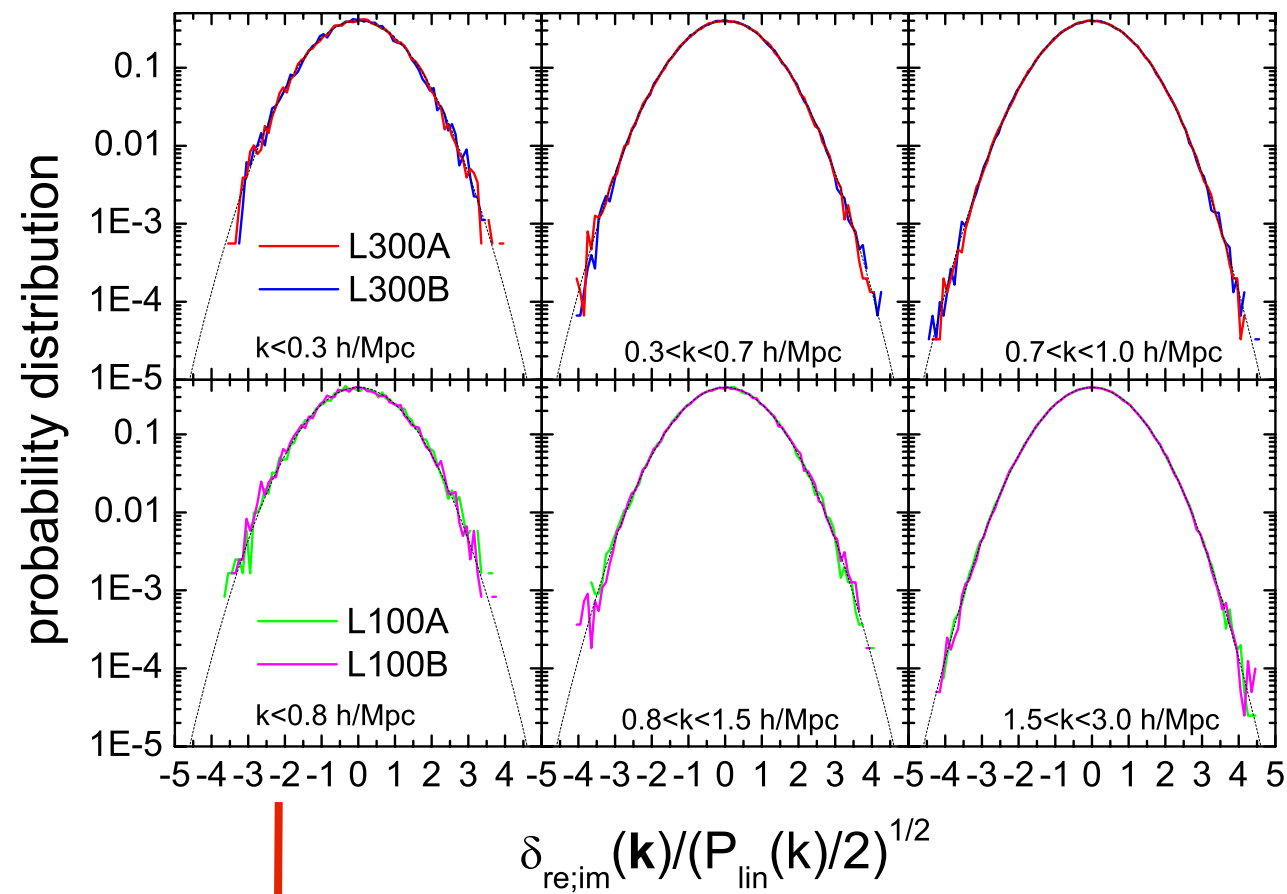
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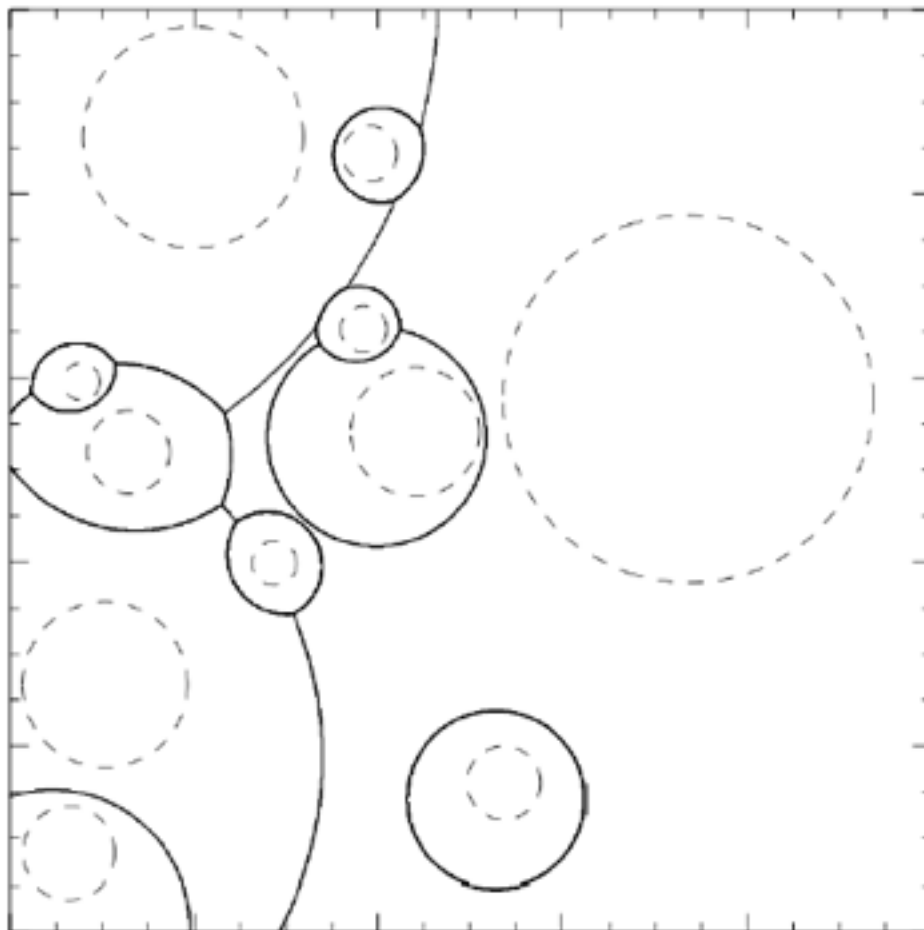


Gaussianity

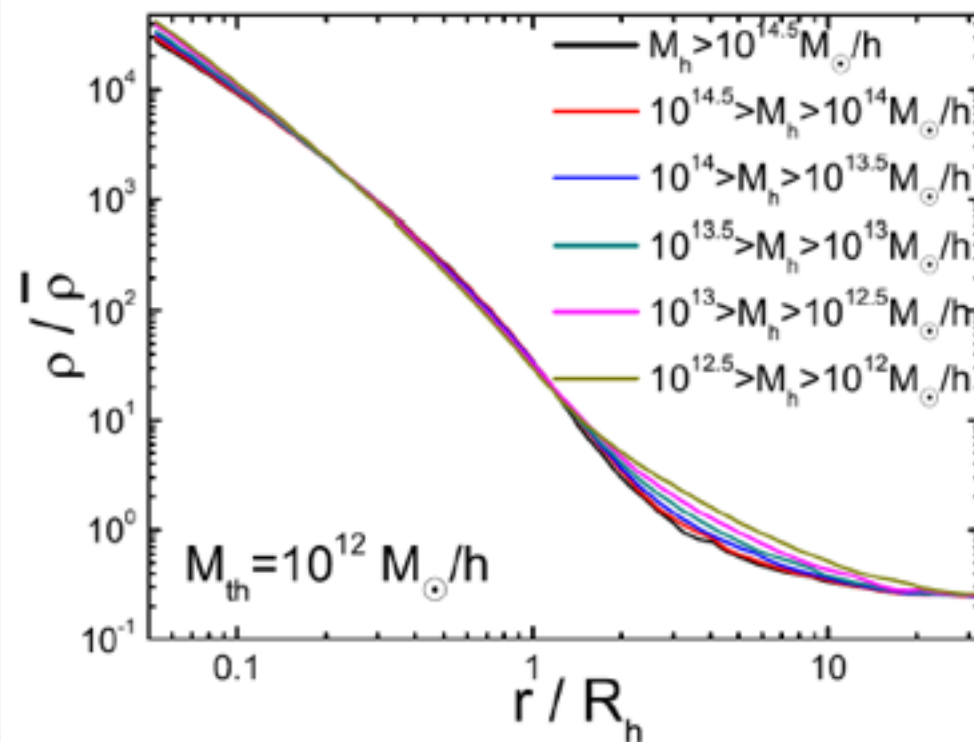


Reconstruction of the current density field from dark matter halos (Wang et al. 2009)

- (1) Each point in space is assigned to its nearest halo according to distance scaled by halo virial radius;
- (2) The density at the point is given by the cross-correlation between halos and mass in their domains given by a chosen cosmological model.



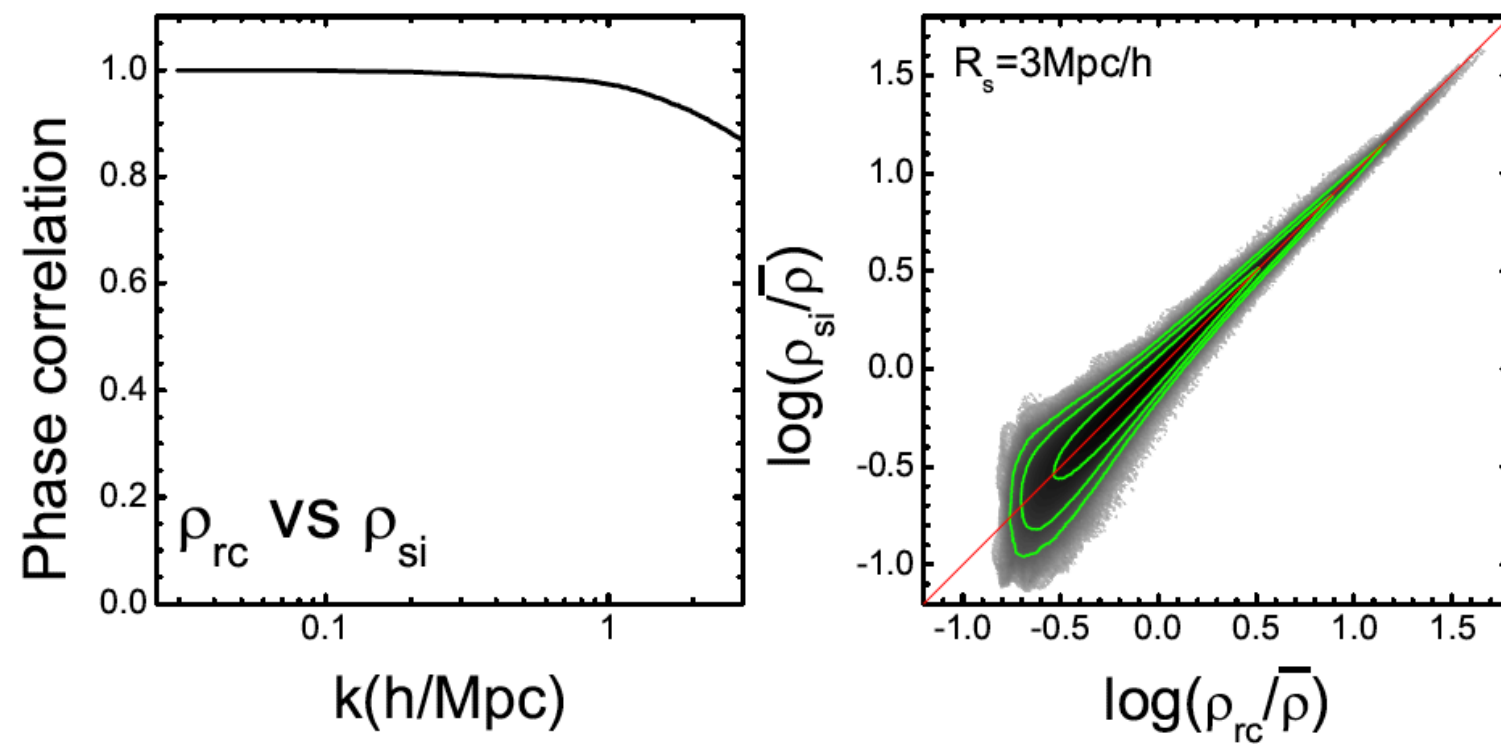
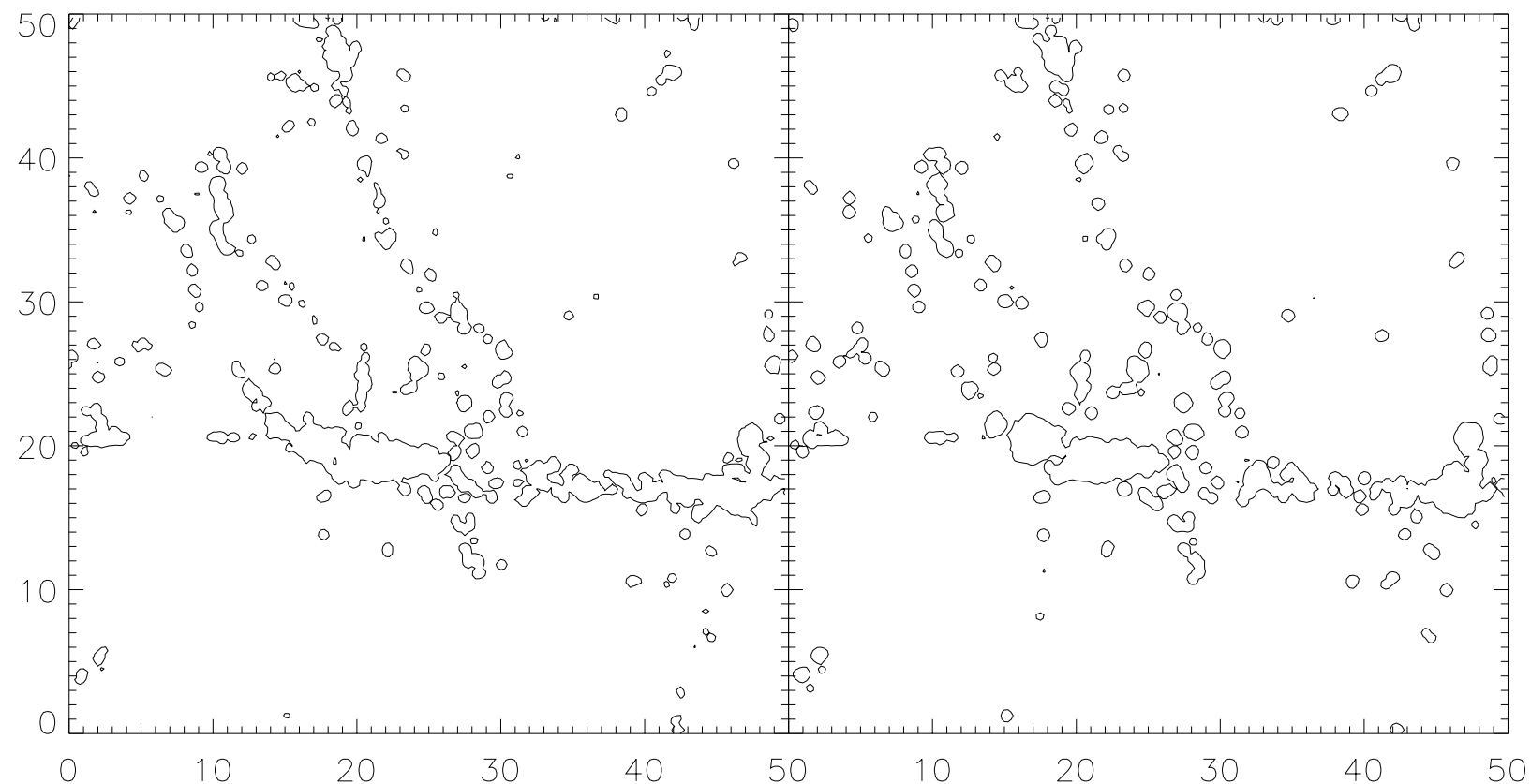
- Halo Domain $r_p = \frac{r_h}{R_h}$
- Domain Cross Correlation



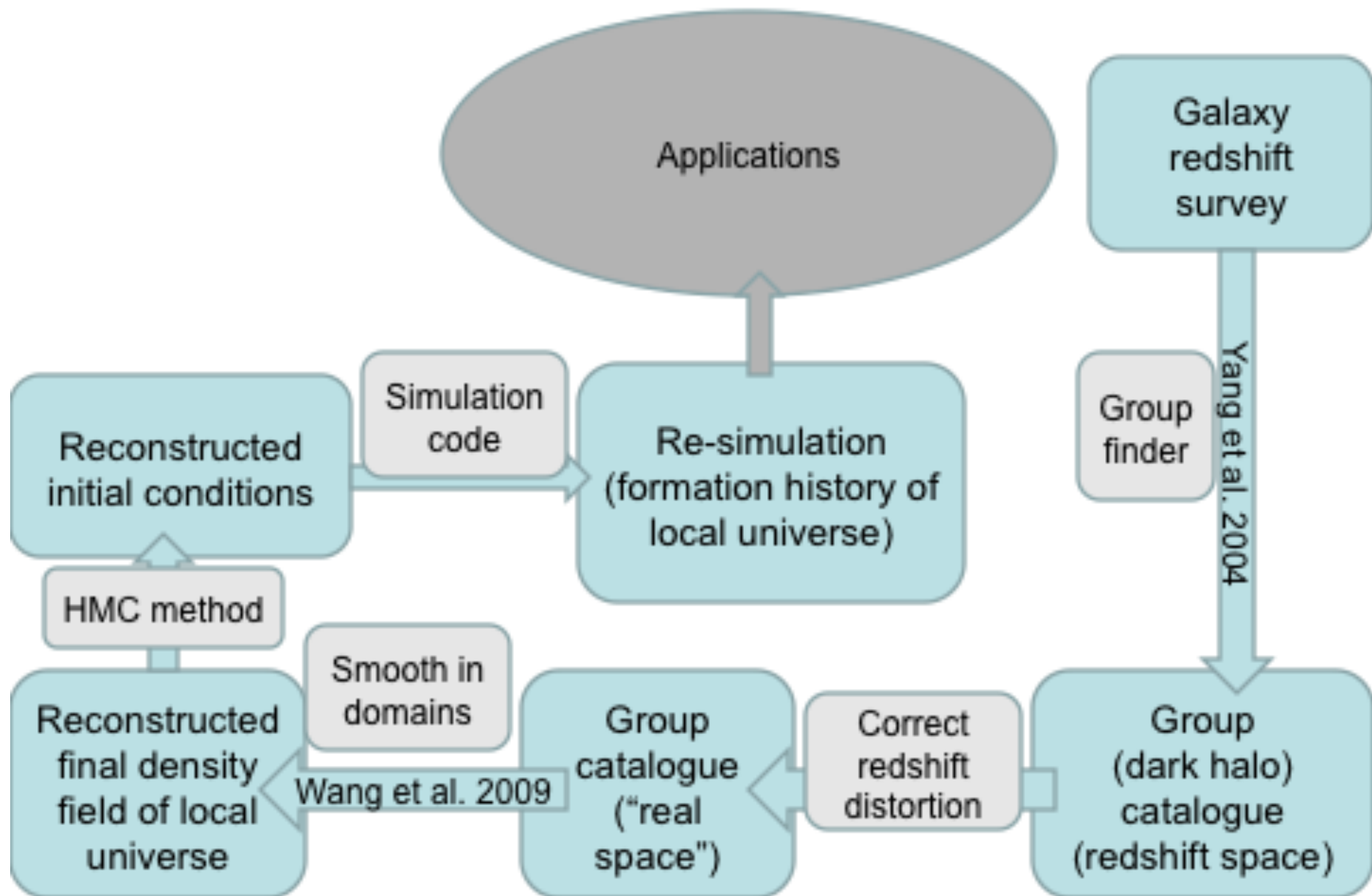
Using halos with masses $> 10^{12} M_{\text{sun}}$

Original

Reconstructed

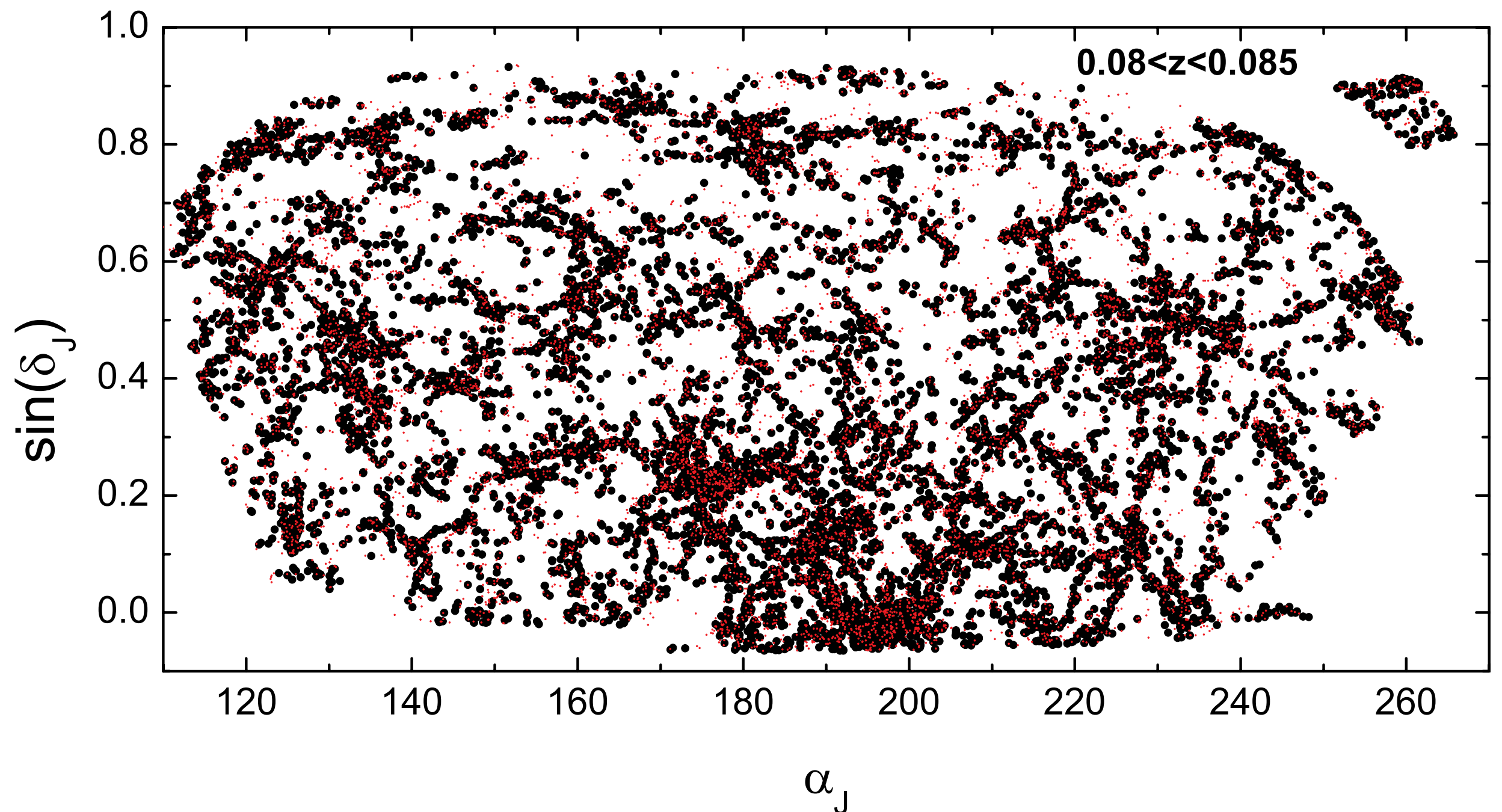


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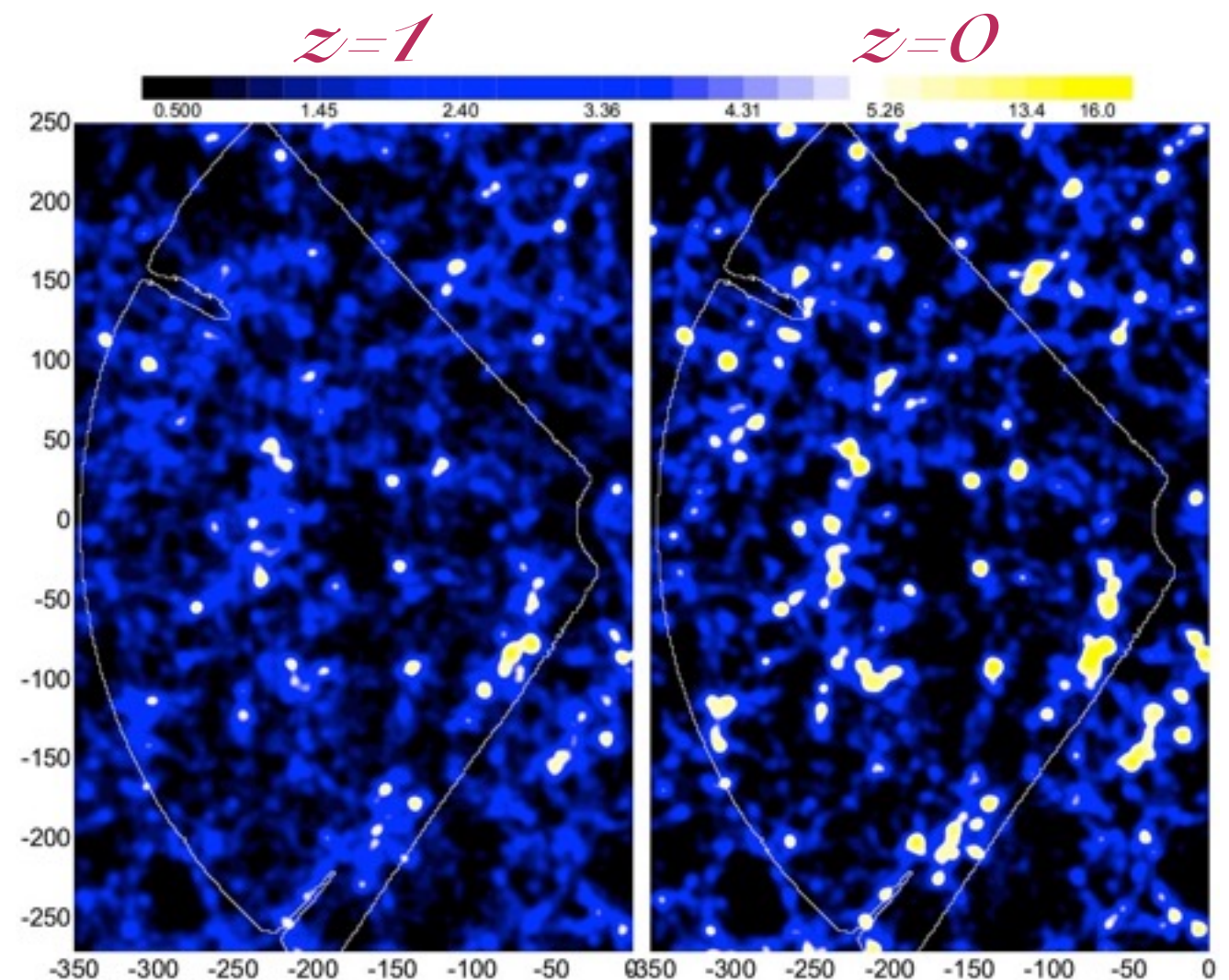
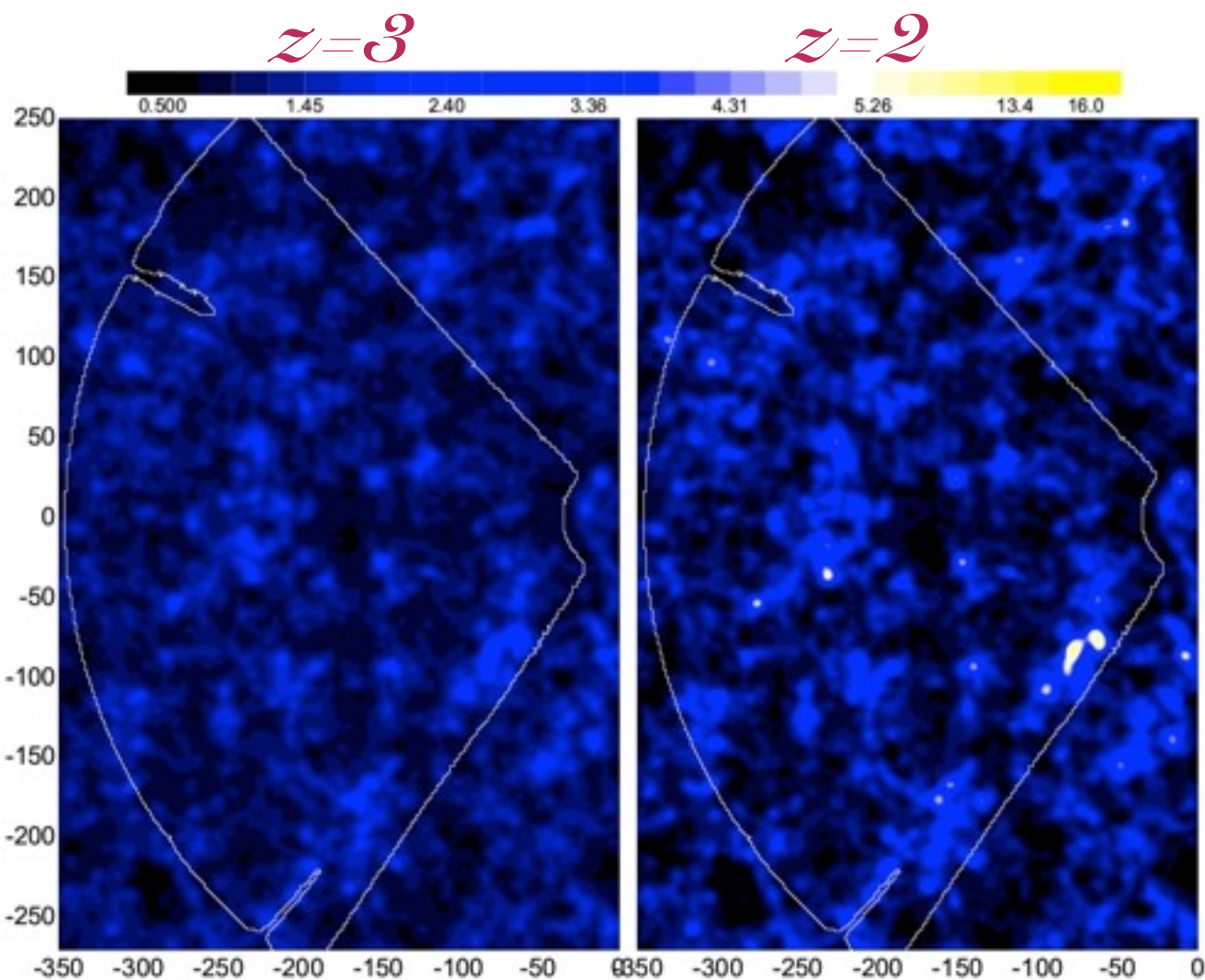
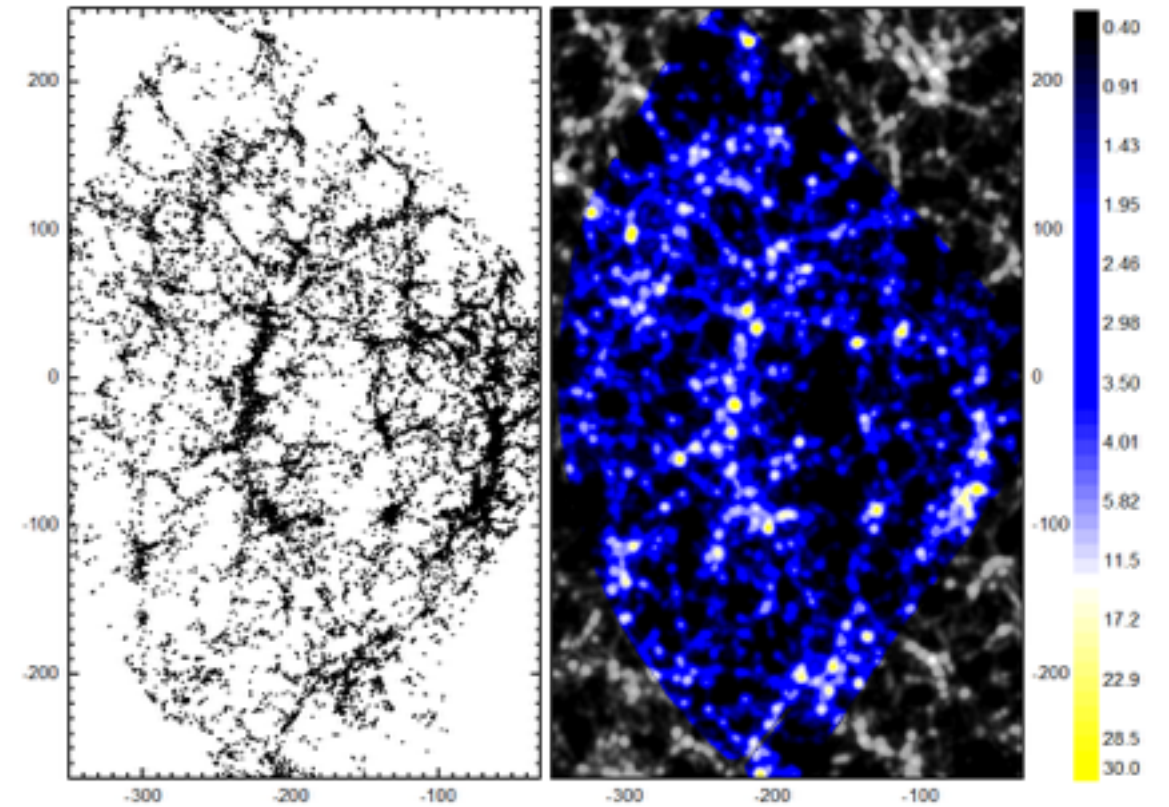
Reconstructing the current density field using groups/halos above a certain mass

$M_{\text{th}} = 10^{12} h^{-1} M_{\odot}$ limited by SDSS redshift survey



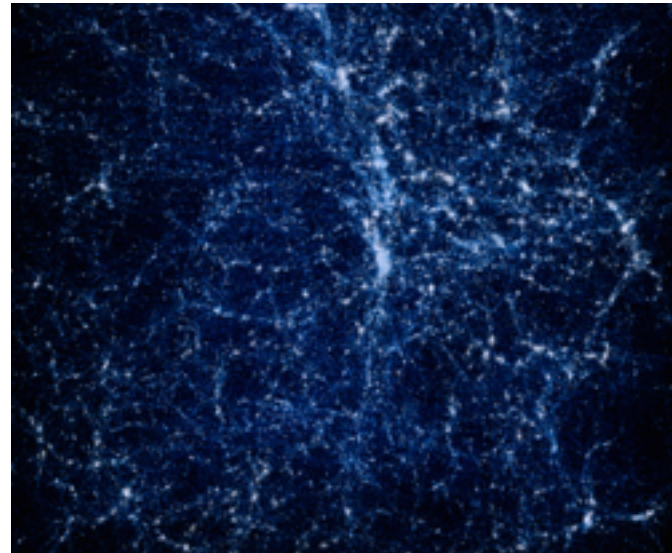
Application to SDSS

The Great Wall Region

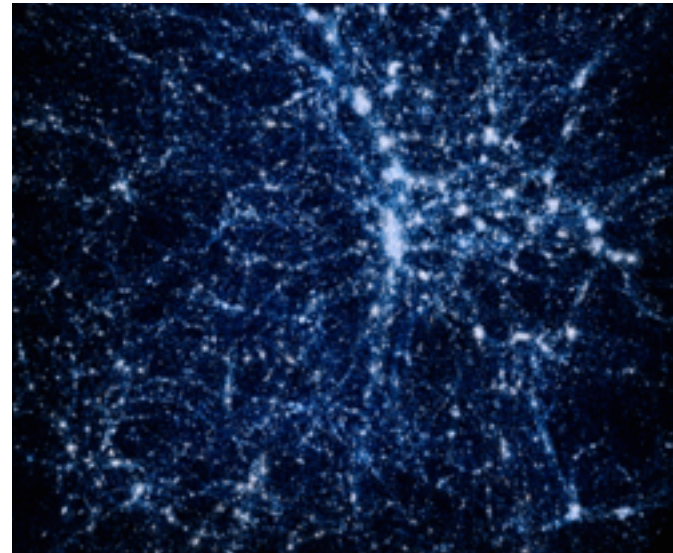


Formation of Coma Cluster

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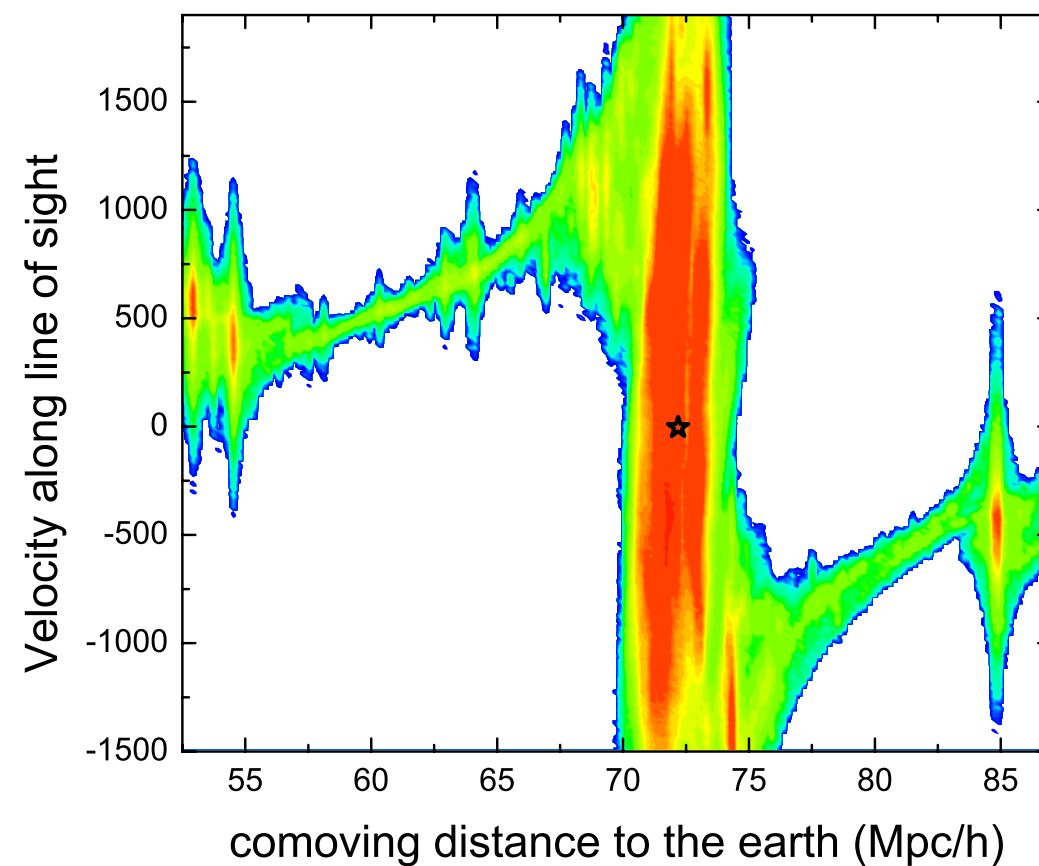
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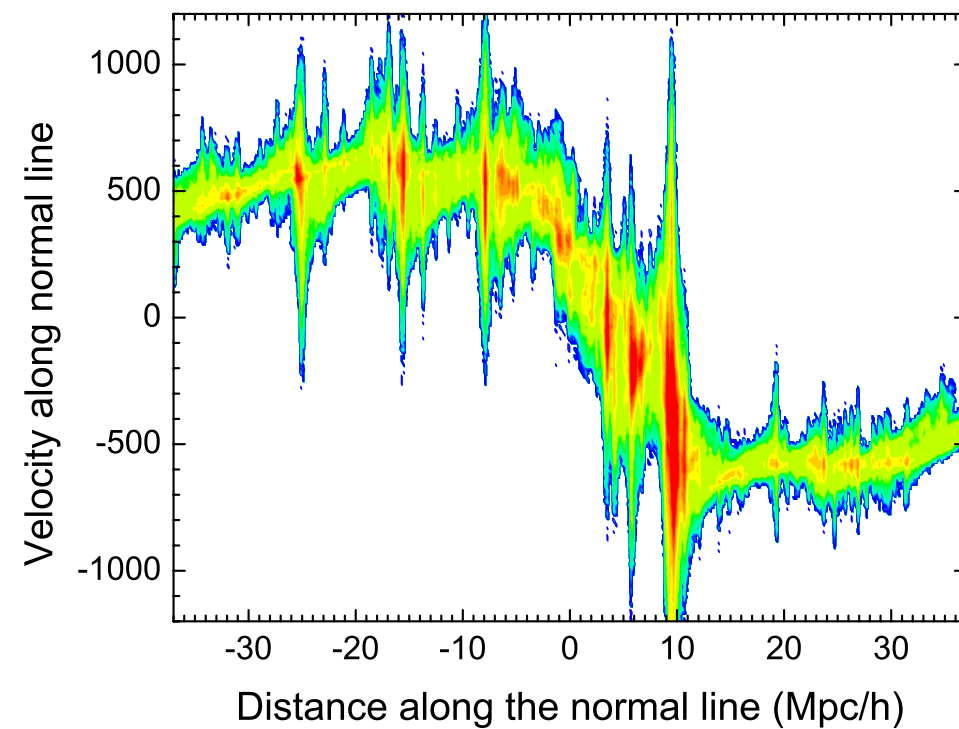
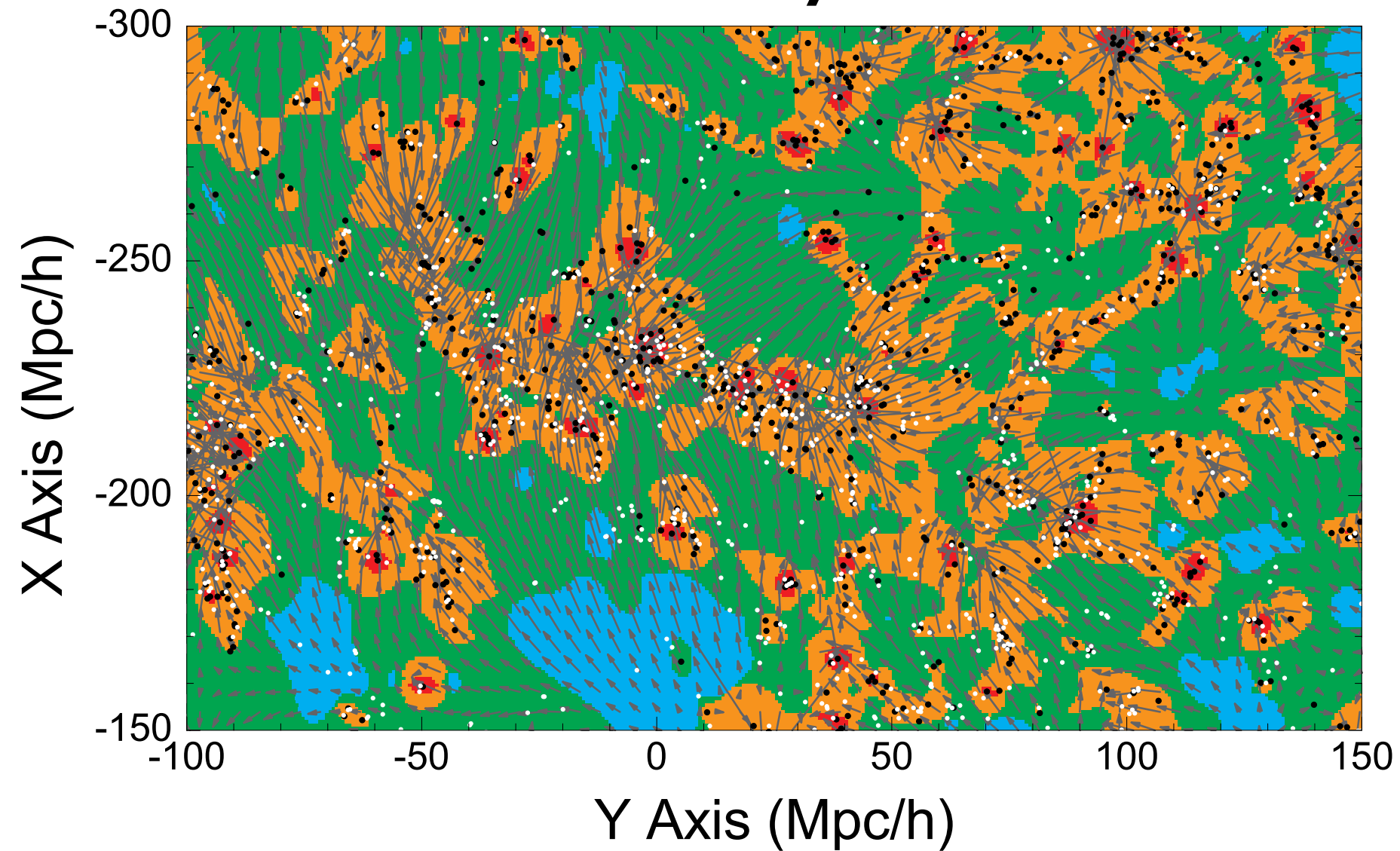
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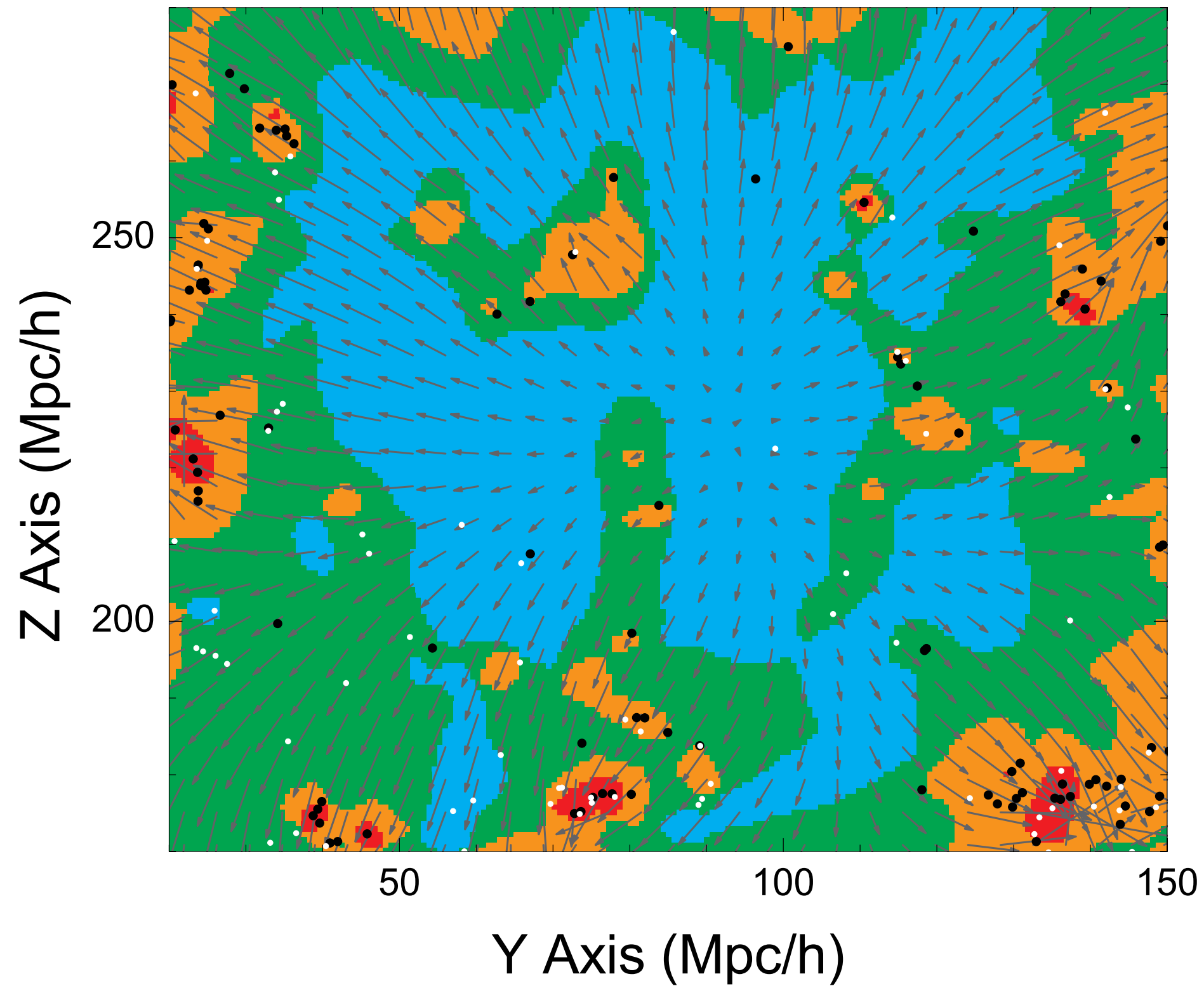
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Velocity field



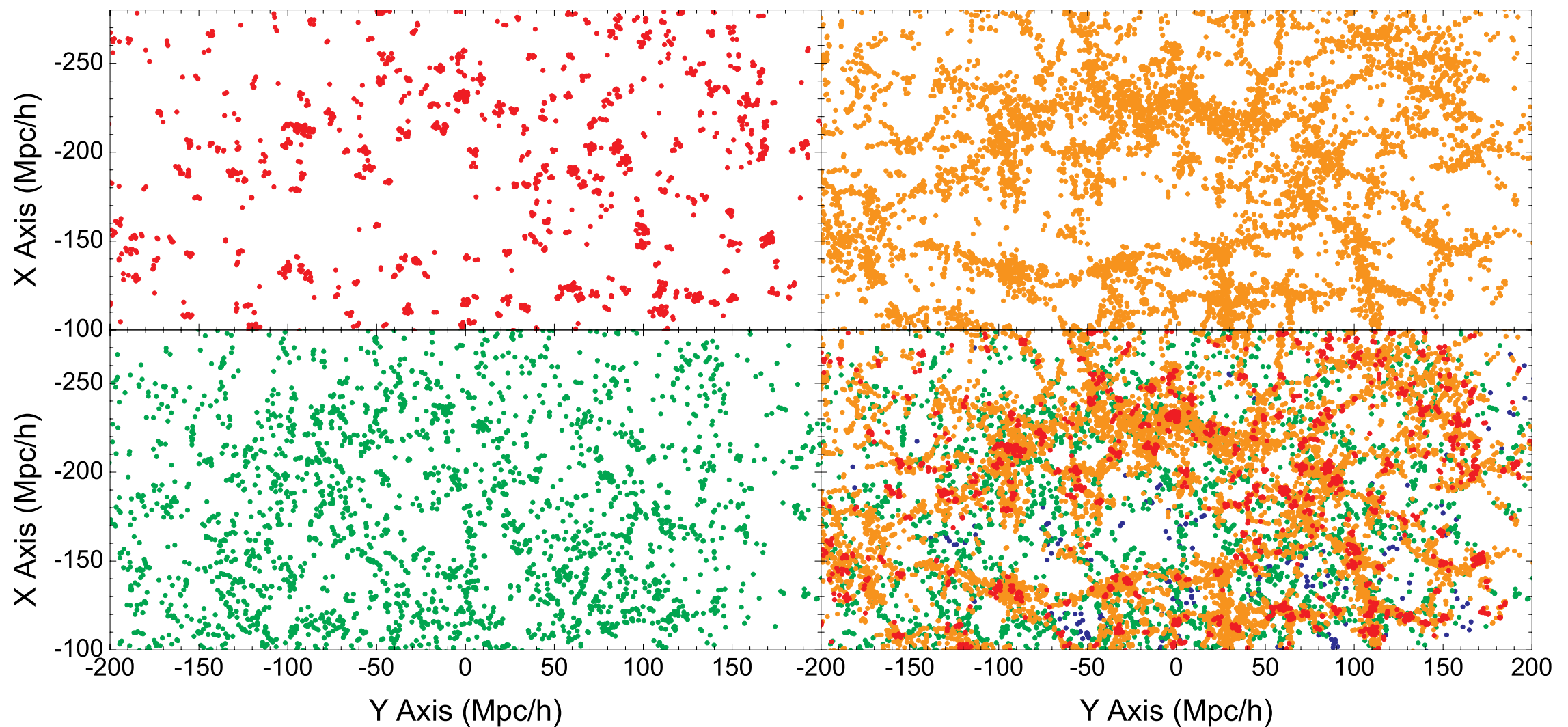
In a void region



Classification based on eigenvalues of tidal tensor

cluster

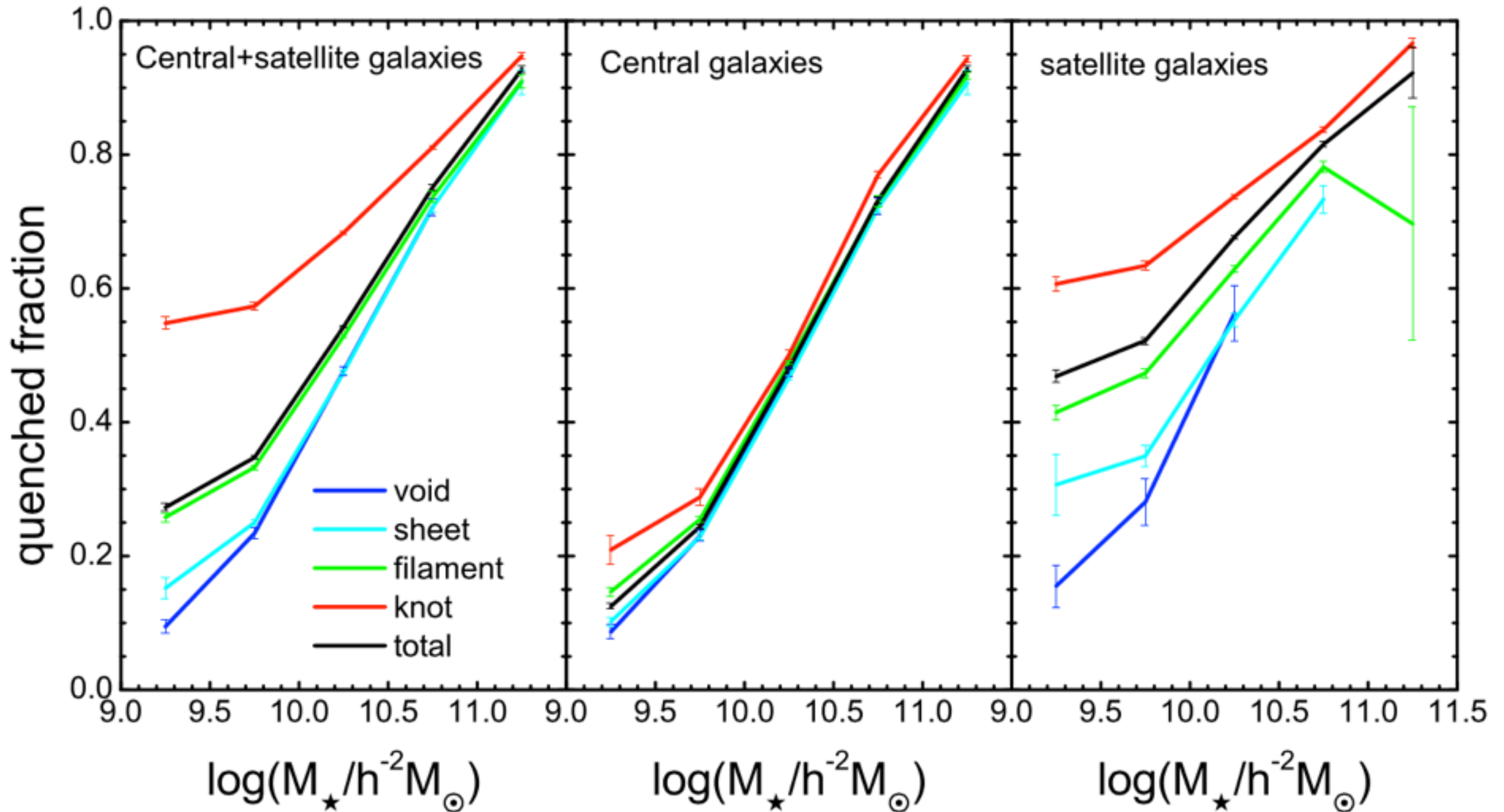
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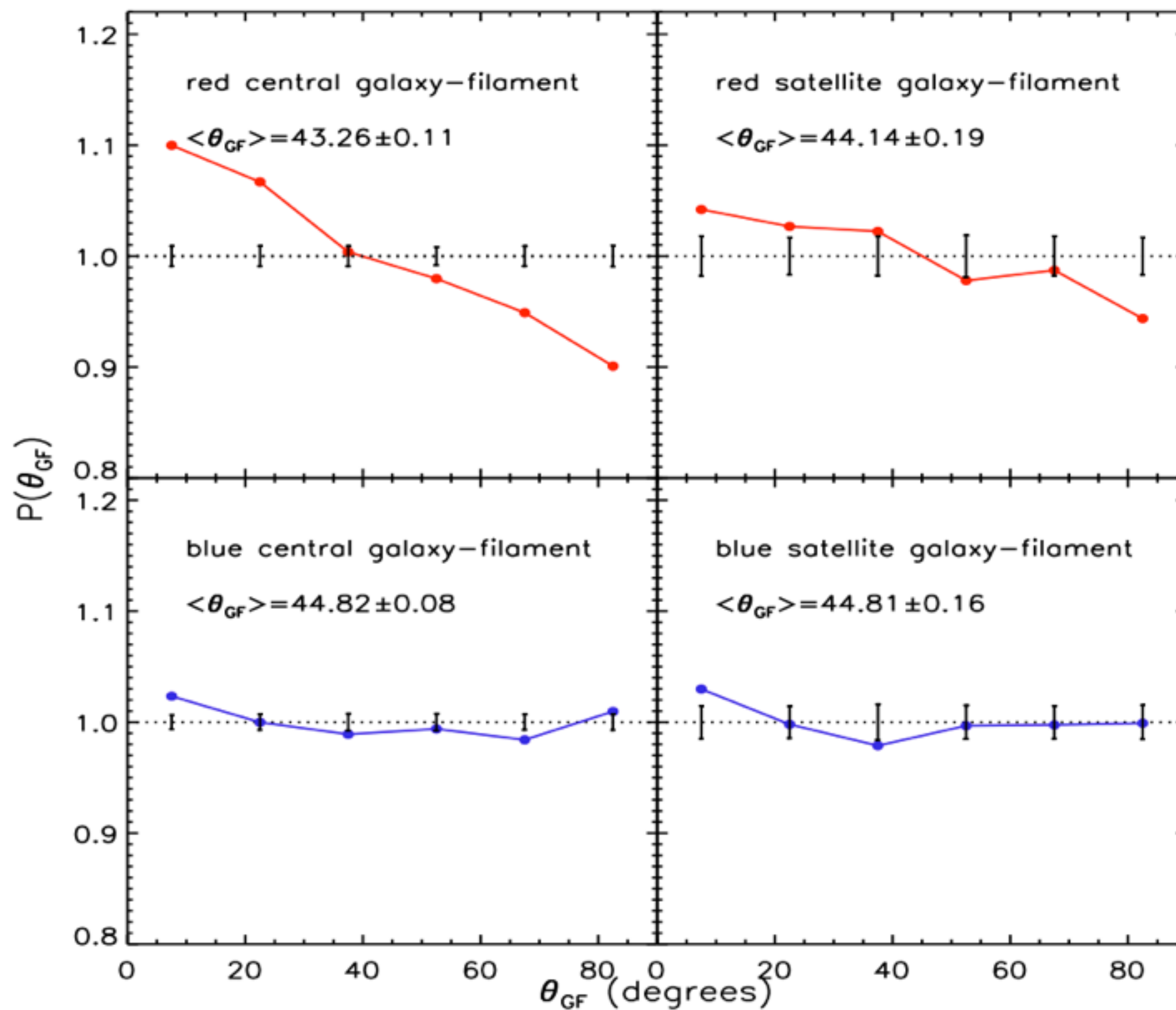
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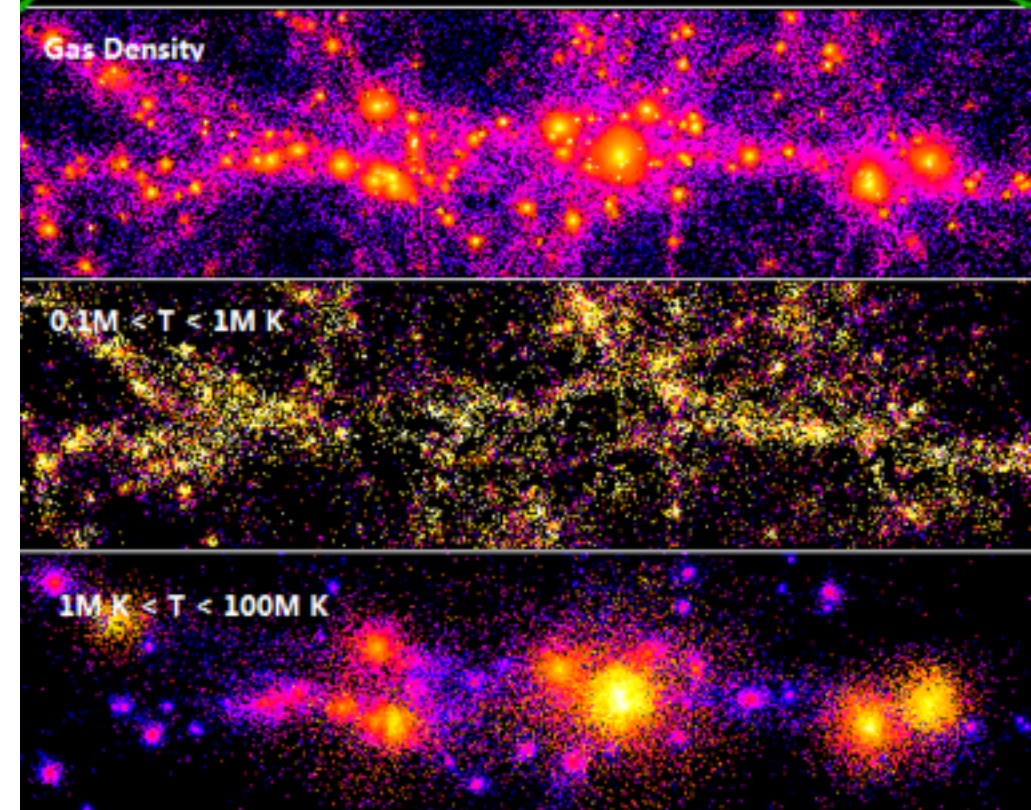
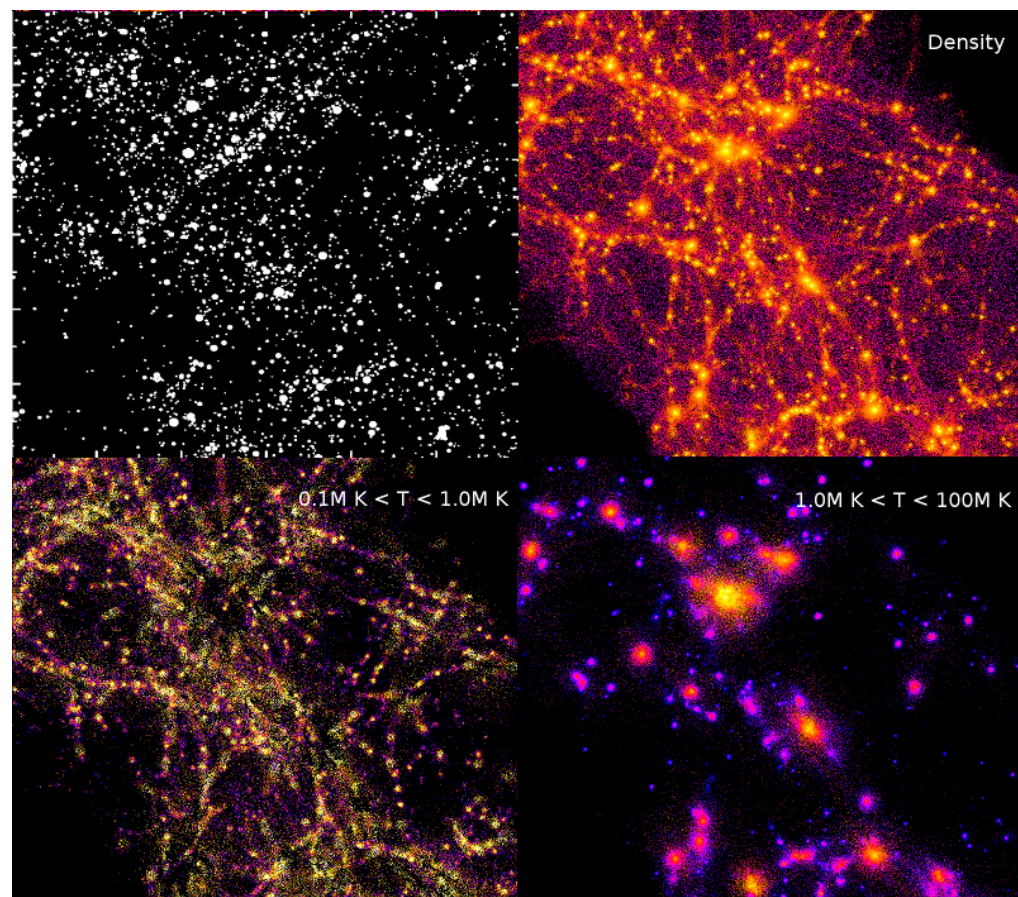
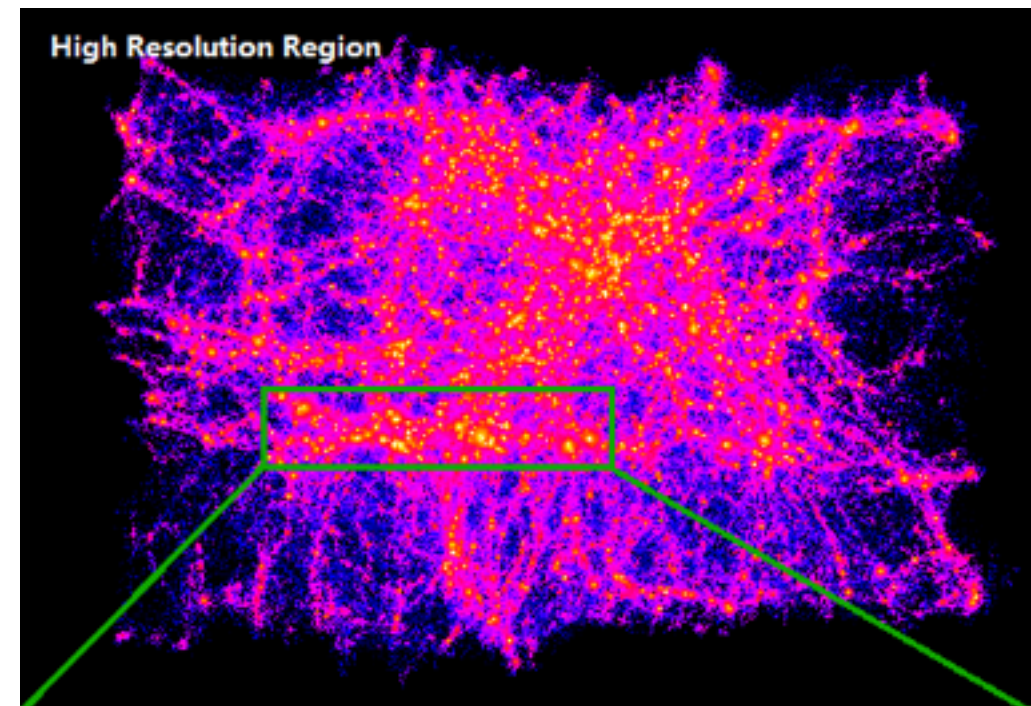
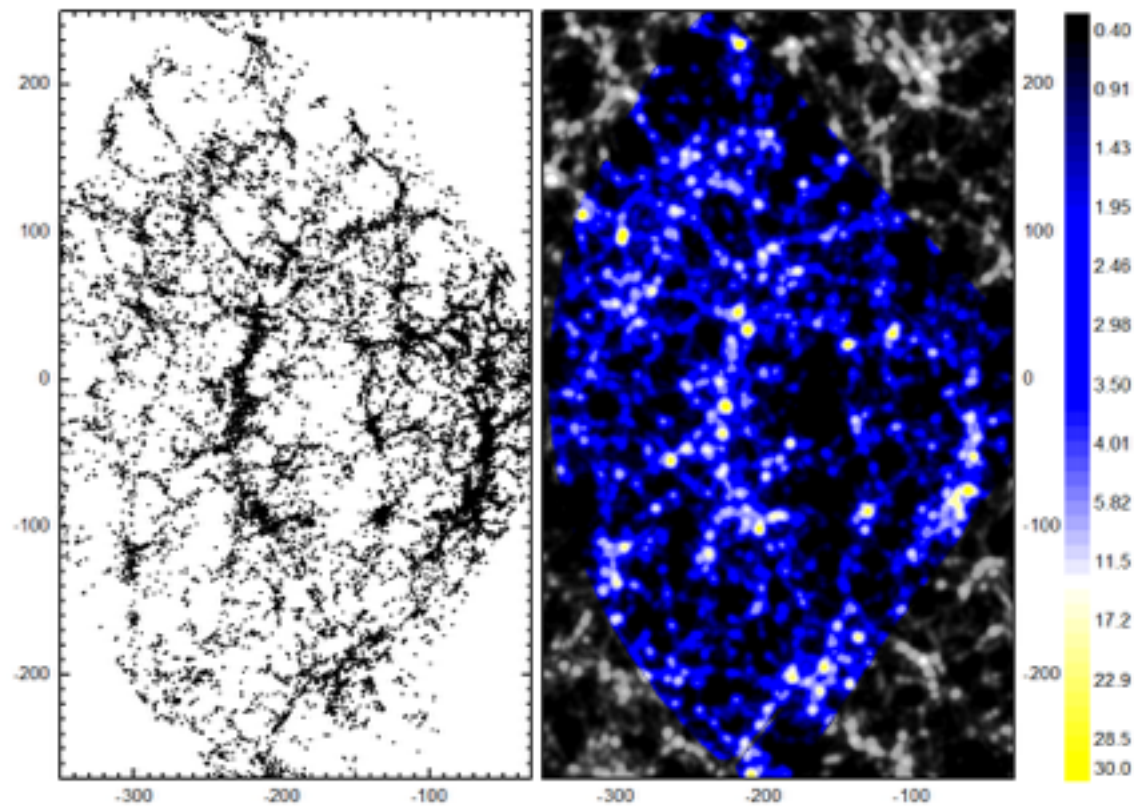
Applications: galaxy population in different environments



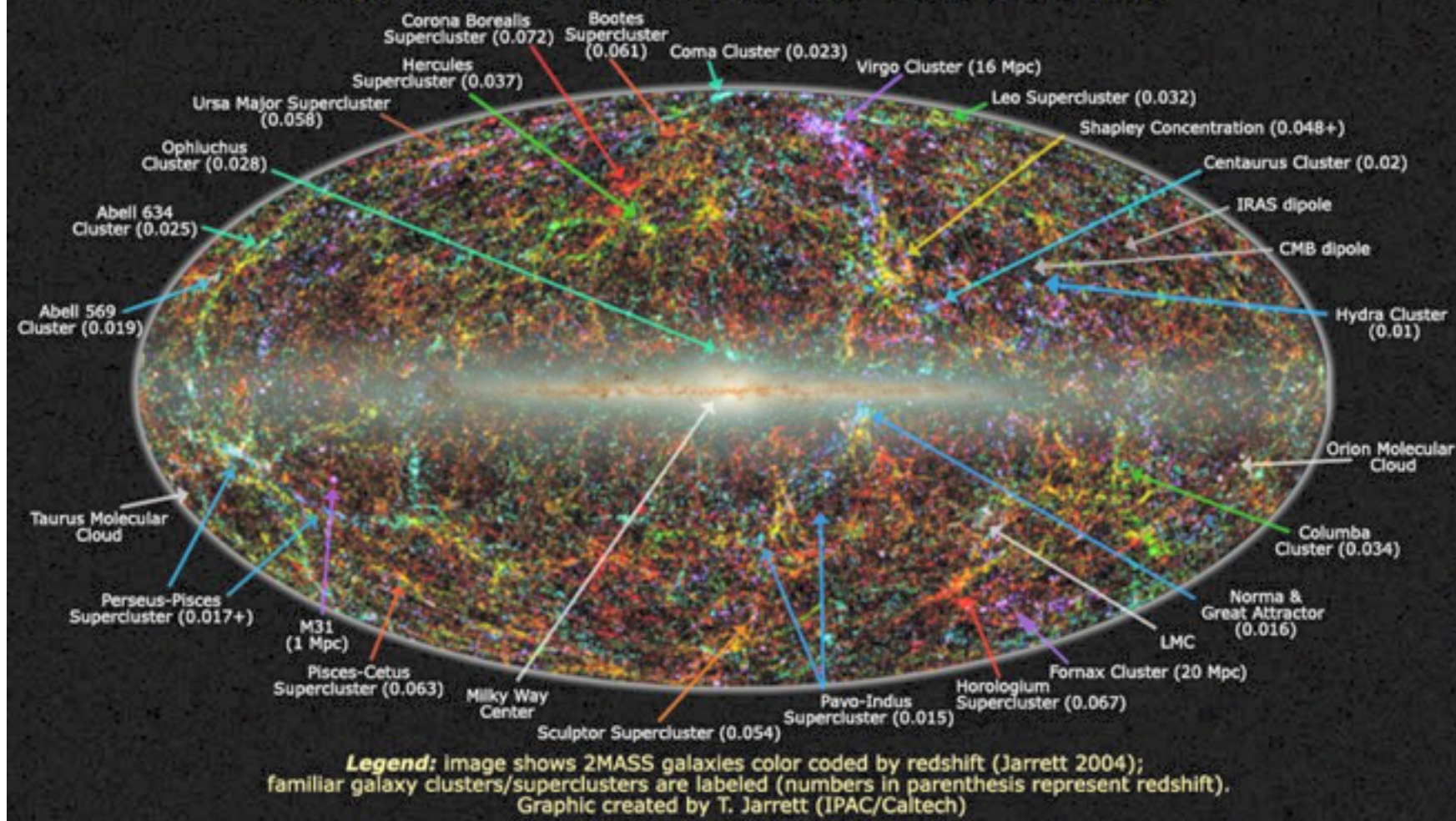
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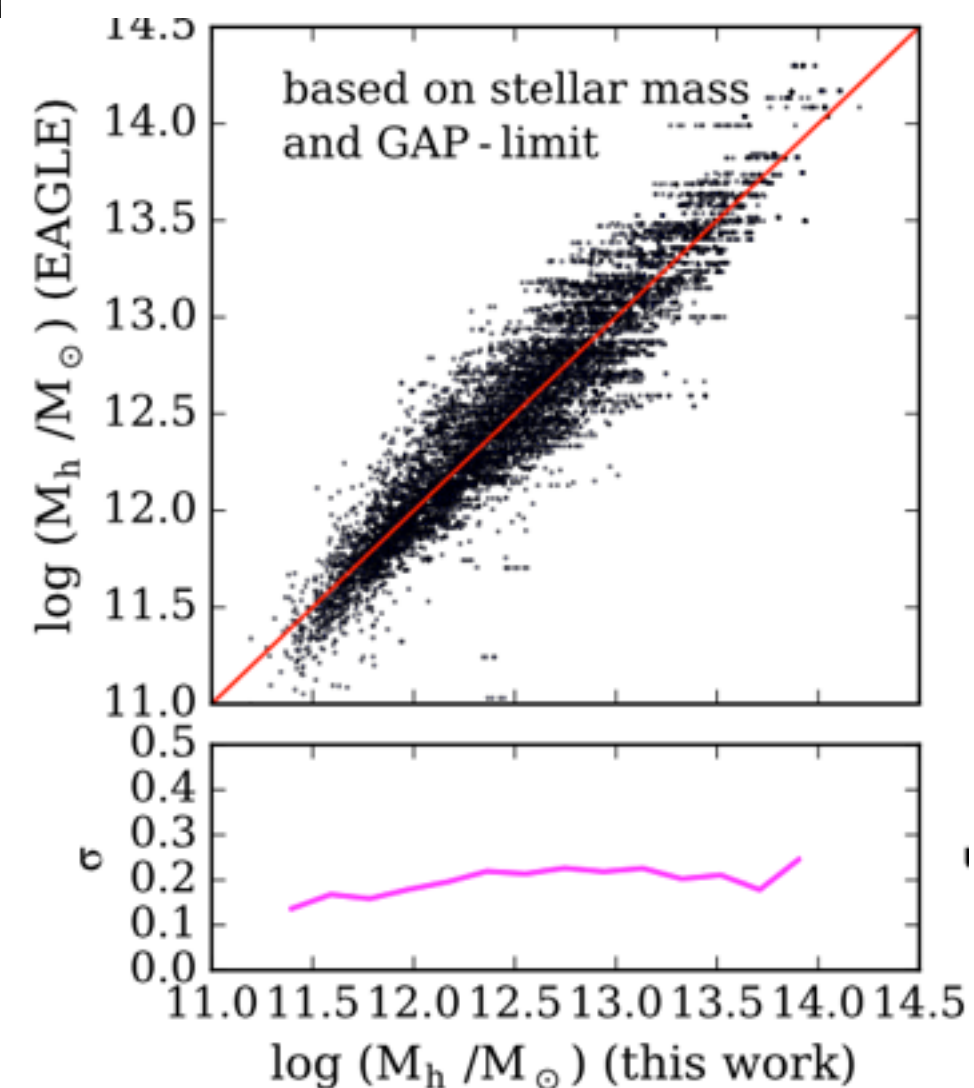
Constrained hydrodynamic simulations



Large Scale Structure in the Local Universe



Applications to all sky surveys: 2MASS



Summary

- For a given cosmology, galaxy groups identified from local large redshift surveys can be used to reconstruct the initial density field.
- Simulations with such initial conditions allow us to trace the evolution of the local Universe.

Available: constrained N-body simulation,
500Mpc/h box; 3072^3 particles

Applications

- large-scale environments of galaxies;
- cosmic variance in constrained simulations;
- halo merger trees for galaxy formation modeling;
- gas simulations of large-scale structures;
- fossils of earlier Universe (e.g. re-ionization sources);
- Local Group (near field cosmology);
- resources for constructing mock catalogs for big surveys.