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1. Introduction

1.1 TL;DR version of prerequisite information

1. galaxies form

   - Why?

   - When?

   - How?

   - Where?

2. galaxies form in groups

3. our local group is one of these

4. something about large scale distribution of galaxies

1.2 History of Local Group Research

LG objects visible with naked eye -> realization they are something outside our galaxy -> realization they are something very much like our galaxy

First determining distance was difficult, now mass is more interesting question

1.3 Aim of This Thesis

Whatever the main results end up being, presented in somewhat coherent manner and hopefully sugar-coated enough to sound Important and Exciting.

2. Theoretical Background

Think whether LG or LCDM first

2.1 Local Group

Definition of galaxy group, our local group is one of these.

Mass estimate (Li, Yang masses for the LG and MW)

Maybe something about scale of things in our universe, what are galaxy groups made of, what do you get if you go one distance scale up, what's different in galaxy clusters

2.1.1 Structure

Galaxies that are part of LG, distribution of smaller ones around bigger ones

Current mass estimates (at least timing argument, hubble flow and maybe satellites)

2.1.2 Evolution

How have we ended up in a situation described earlier? What will happen in future?

2.2 Expanding universe

2.2.1 Discovery

Make maths, add cosmological constant, make observations, remove cosmological constant

Enough cosmology here or in other sections to make other parts of thesis to make sense and to suffice as master's thesis. How much is enough for the latter?

2.2.2 ΛCDM Cosmology

2.2.3 Hubble flow

What is, where seen, what means, how to measure, hotness/coldness

Plot: observations with fitted hubble flow

2.3 Mathematical and statistical methods

Precision of the used equipment limits accuracy of all data gathered from physical experiments, simulations or observations. Therefore the results are affected by a random process and the results have to be presented as estimates with some error, magnitude of which is affected by both number of data points and accuracy of the measurement equipment.[1]

Estimating errors for measured quantities offers a way to test hypotheses and compare different experiments[1]. This is done using different statistical methods that are too numerous to extensively cover here. Methods used in this work are shortly introduced in the following sections.

2.3.1 Regression Analysis

line fitting and other trivial things

2.3.2 Statistical testing

ks-test, maybe others if used, background info about distributions etc in general

2.4 Cluster Analysis

DBSCAN

3. general simulation thingies

3.1   N-body simulations

3.1.1   Hierarchical Tree Algorithm

3.1.2   Halo Finding with Subfind

3.2   Description of actual simulations used

Volume, number of particles, compare to other simulations, where better and where maybe worse

Resimulation of interesting regions

Simulation has same parameters as EAGLE 800 Mpc volume used schaye 2015 paper DM-only parts: Volker-Springer Gadget and Gadget 2 papers 1999 and 2005 or something, gravity part is more interesting than SPH Zooms can use multiple meshes, only one is used here gravitational softening

4. Findings from DMO Halo Catalogue Analysis

4.1 Selection of Local Group analogues

criteria, how many found, what are like (some plots maybe? distributions of masses, separations, velocities or correlations between two of those?). This might be part of previous chapter too (relevant to resimulation)?

4.2 Local Anisotropy of the Hubble Flow

Hopefully there's something at least mildly interesting to report when I get to look at the new data

4.3 Statistical Estimate of the Local Group Mass

Analysis similar to Fattahi et al 2016 paper
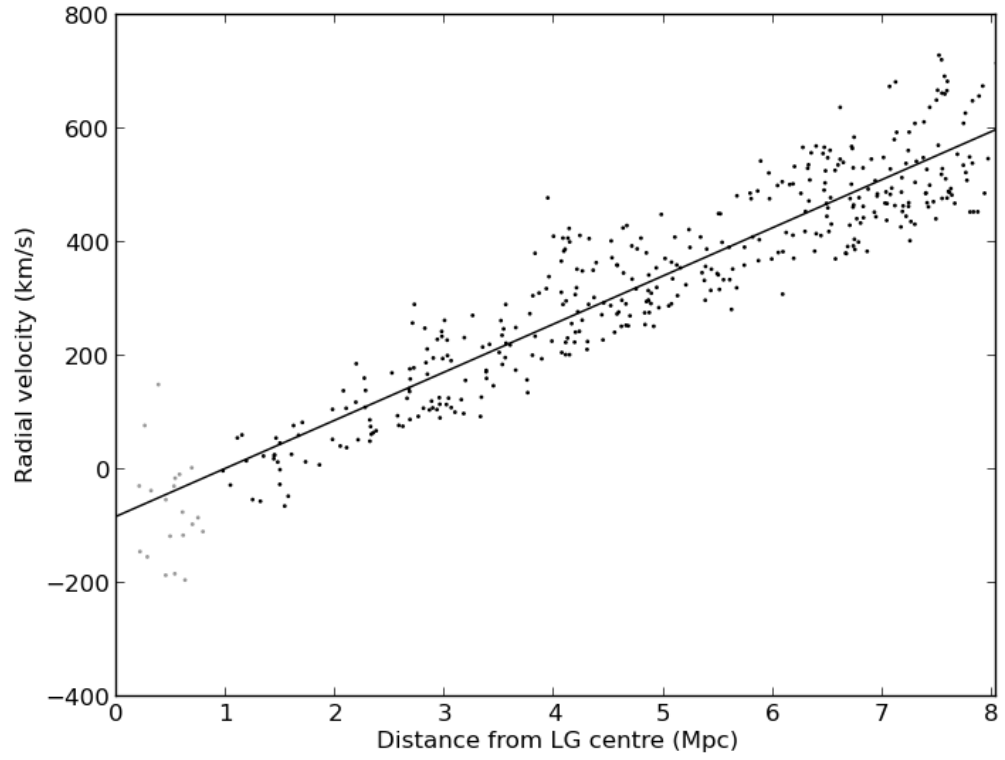
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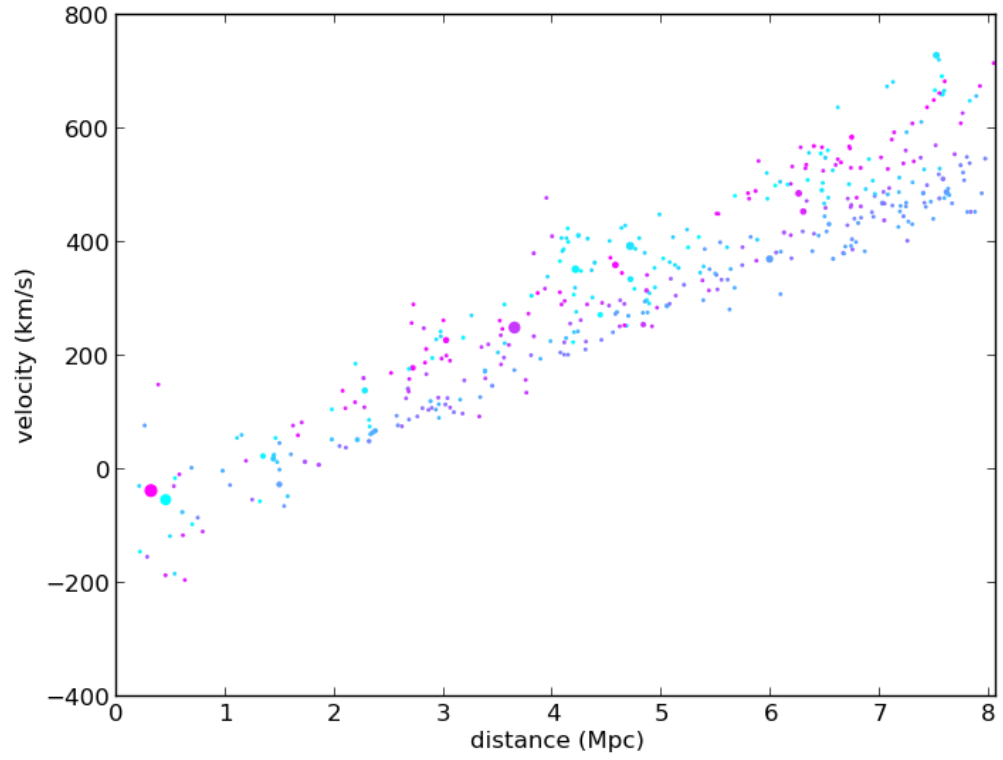
Figure 4.2: Hubble flow with colours depicting angular disstance from line connecting Milky Way and Andromeda counterparts in simulation.
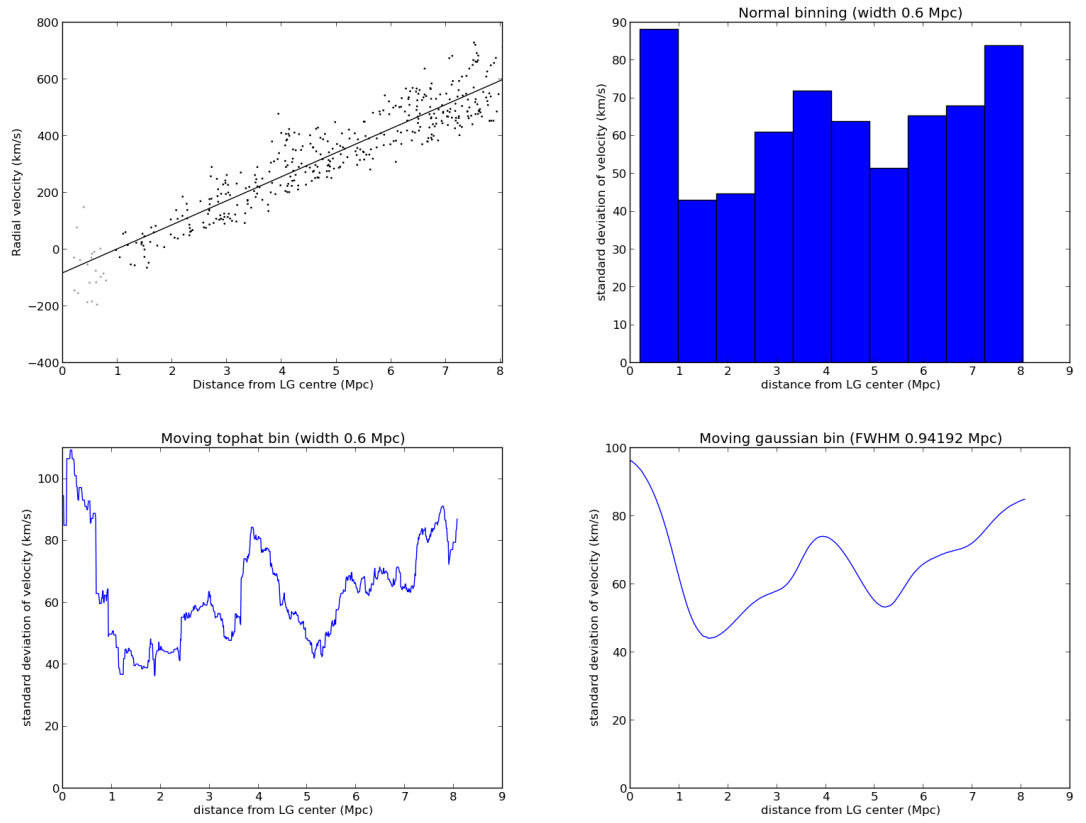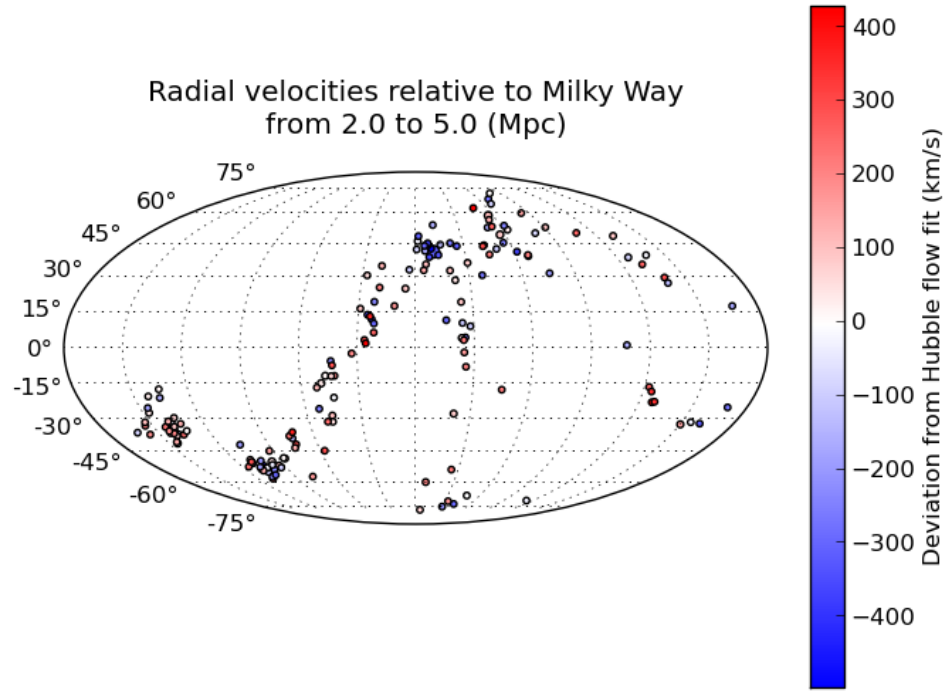
Figure 4.3: Velocity dispersion of Hubble flow.

Figure 4.4: Haloes with distances between 2 and 5 Mpc as seen from Mily Way counterpart in simulation. Colours depict deviations from best linear Hubble flow fit ignoring haloes up to 2 Mpc away, blue end meaning haloes coming closer faster than expected and redder colours moving away.
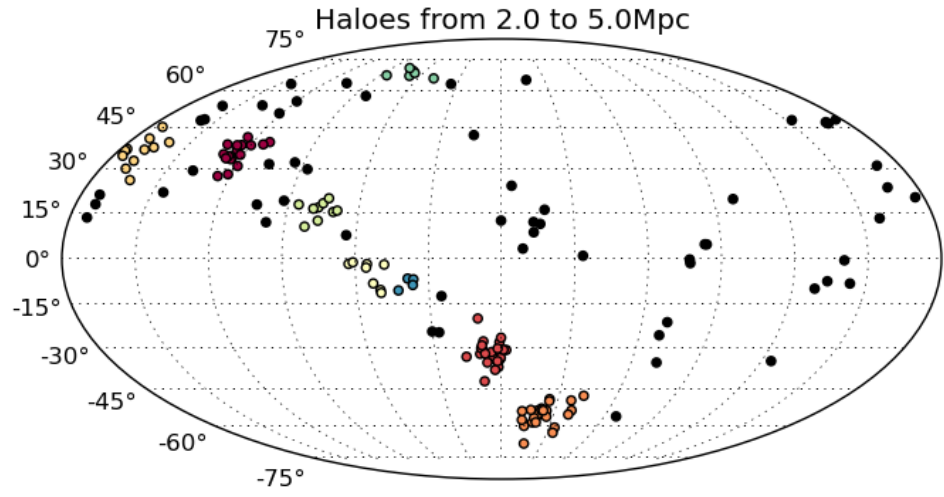
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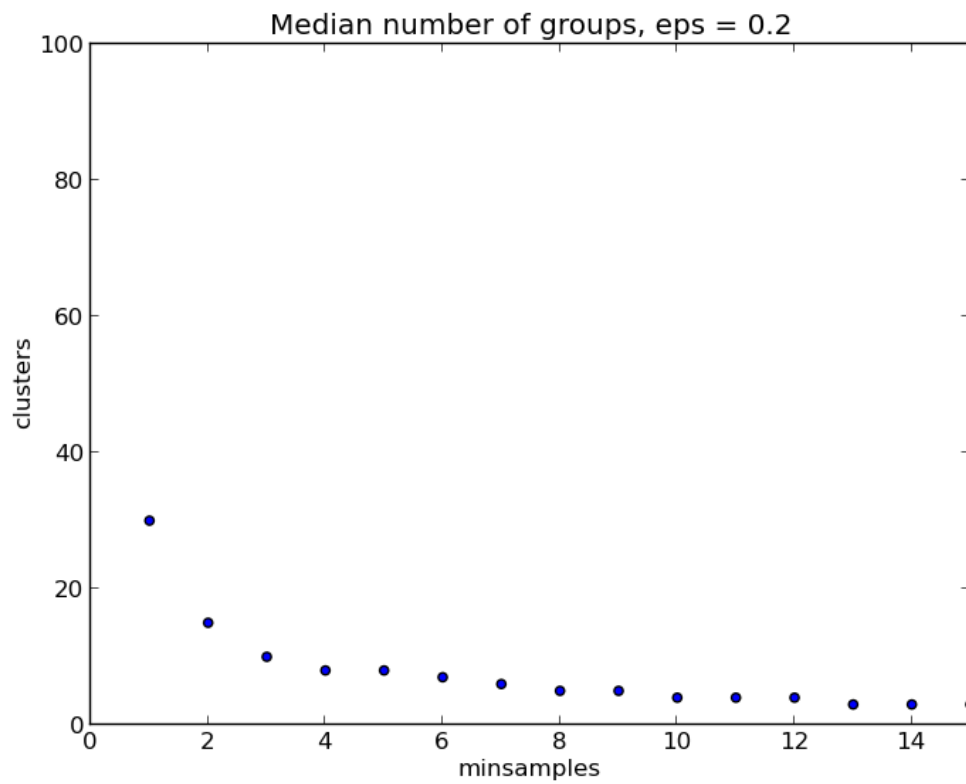
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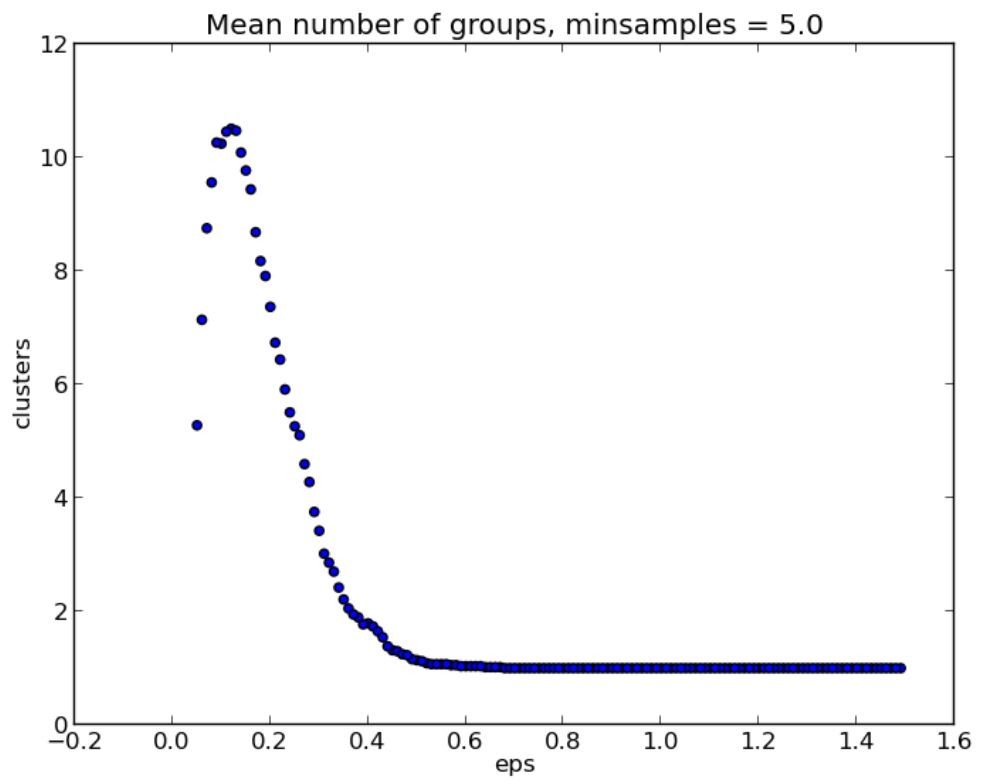
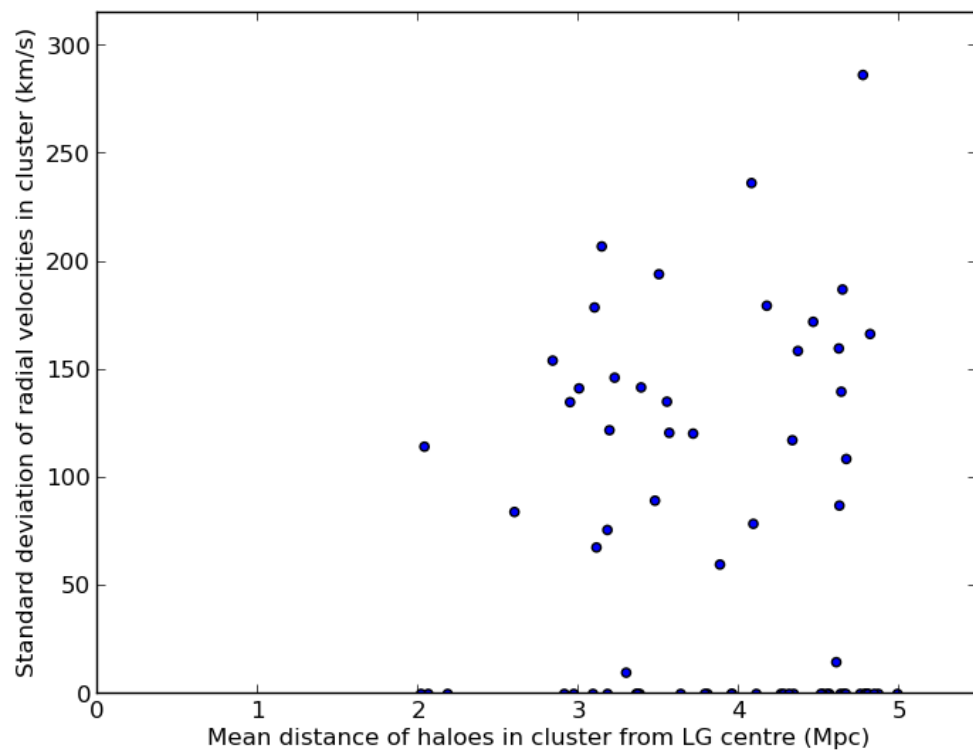**Figure 4.7:** Mean number of clusters found with constant ms on different eps.

Figure 4.8: Standard deviation of velocities within cluster as a function of distance.

5. Conclusions

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