

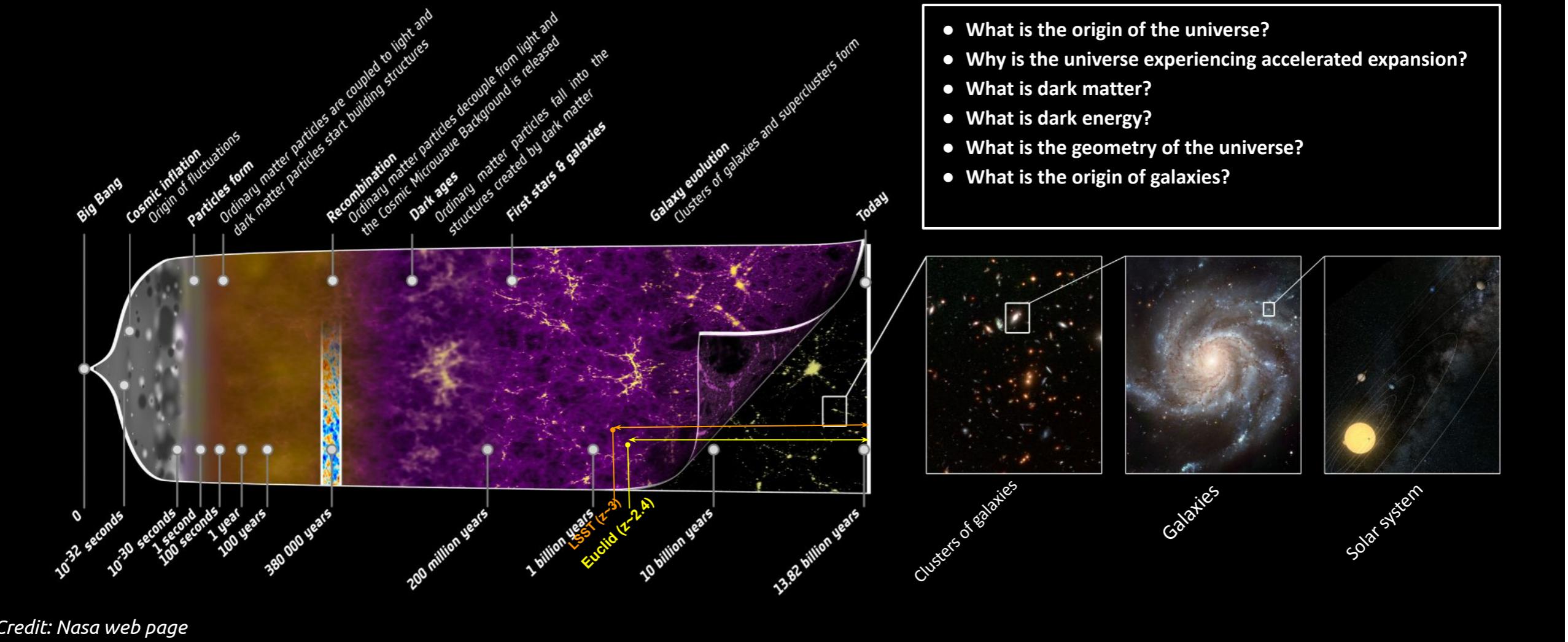
# Schedule

- Introduction + Redshift Galaxy Survey
- Mock Galaxy Catalogues
- Halo Occupation Distribution model (HOD)
- Practical exercises
  - How to produce a population that follows an specific distribution
  - Estimate the halo mass function of MICECATv1.0
- (some) References

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# Fundamental questions

## Story of our Universe



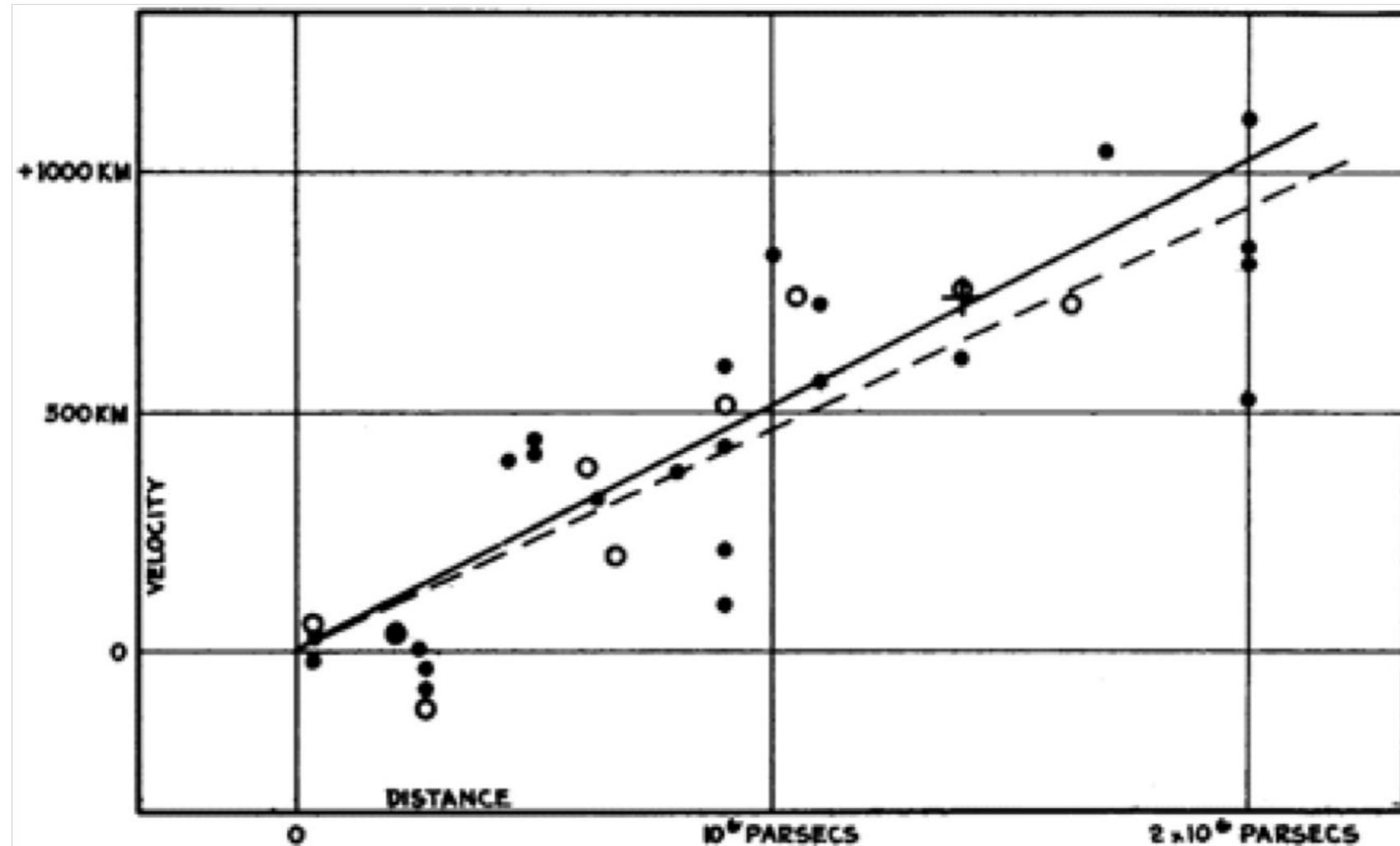
# Perspectives

- From the Astronomy perspective:
  - [The Astronet Science Vision and Infrastructure Roadmap 2022-2035](#)
  - [Pathways to Discovery in Astronomy and Astrophysics for the 2020s](#)
- From the Astroparticles perspective:
  - [European Astroparticle Physics Strategy 2017-2026](#)
    - [Mid-term update \(2023\)](#) (DESI, LSST and Euclid)
  - [Pathways to Innovation and Discovery in Particle Physics](#)

## Decisive moments

- **Hubble**, using cepheid stars and computing a relation between distance and redshift, realized that almost all the studied spectra of the selected **galaxies** appeared to be **moving away from us** (1929)
- Two independent scientific groups, the Supernova Cosmology Project and the High-z Supernova Search Team, through observations of distant supernovae Ia, discovered the **accelerating expansion of the Universe** (1998)

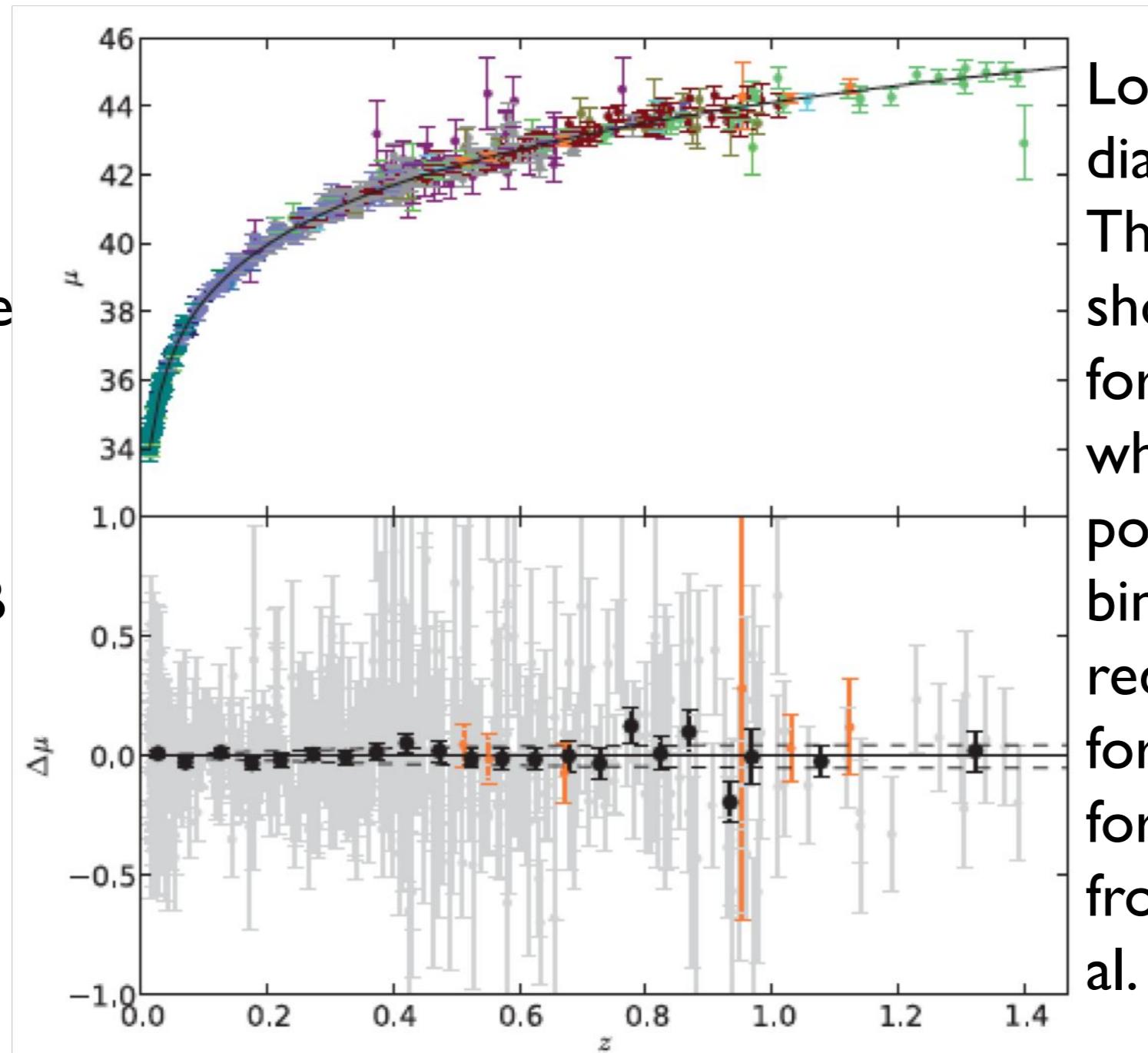
# Hubble 1929



Velocity-Distance relation among Extra-Galactic Nebulae. Figure from Hubble 1929 (<http://www.pnas.org/content/15/3/168.full.pdf>)

# SNe Hubble diagram

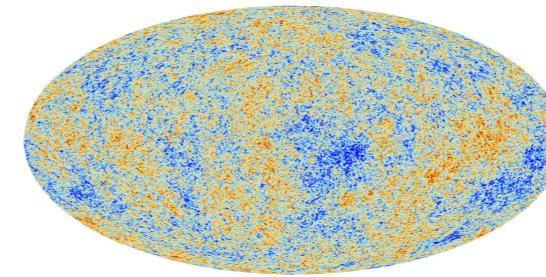
Upper panel:  
Hubble diagram  
for 557 SNe. Solid  
line represents the  
best fitted  
cosmology for a  
flat universe  
including the CMB  
and BAO  
constraints.  
Colors represent  
different data sets



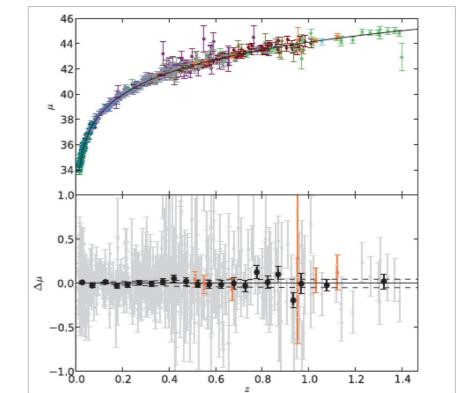
Lower panel: Hubble  
diagram residuals.  
The gray points  
show the residuals  
for individual SNe,  
while the black  
points show the  
binned values in  
redshifts bins of 0.05  
for  $z < 1.0$  and 0.2  
for  $z > 1.0$ . Figure  
from Amanullah et  
al. 2010

# Cosmological probes

- Cosmic Microwave Background

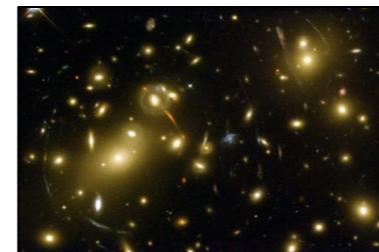


- Supernovae Ia (standard candle)

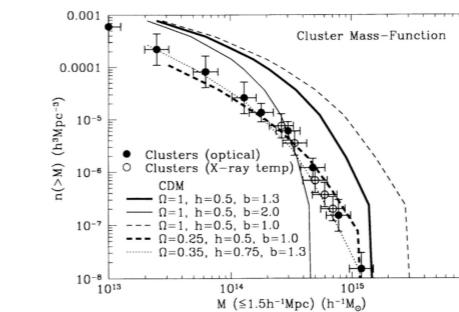


- **Galaxy clustering:** matter power spectrum, baryon acoustic oscillations (standard ruler), redshift space distortions

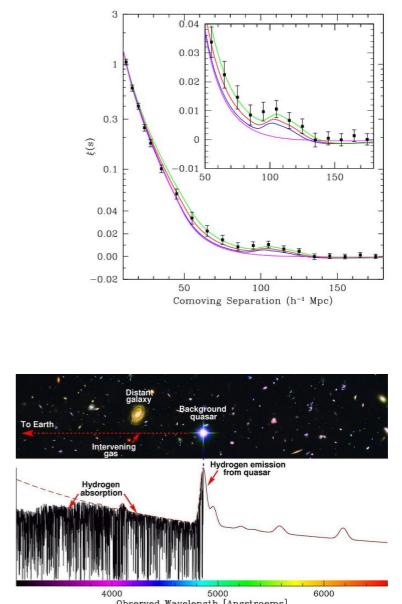
- Weak lensing



- Galaxy cluster abundance



- Lyman-alpha forest



- And more

The question is no longer whether the Universe is accelerating, but why (Weinberg et al. 2012)

# Cosmological model

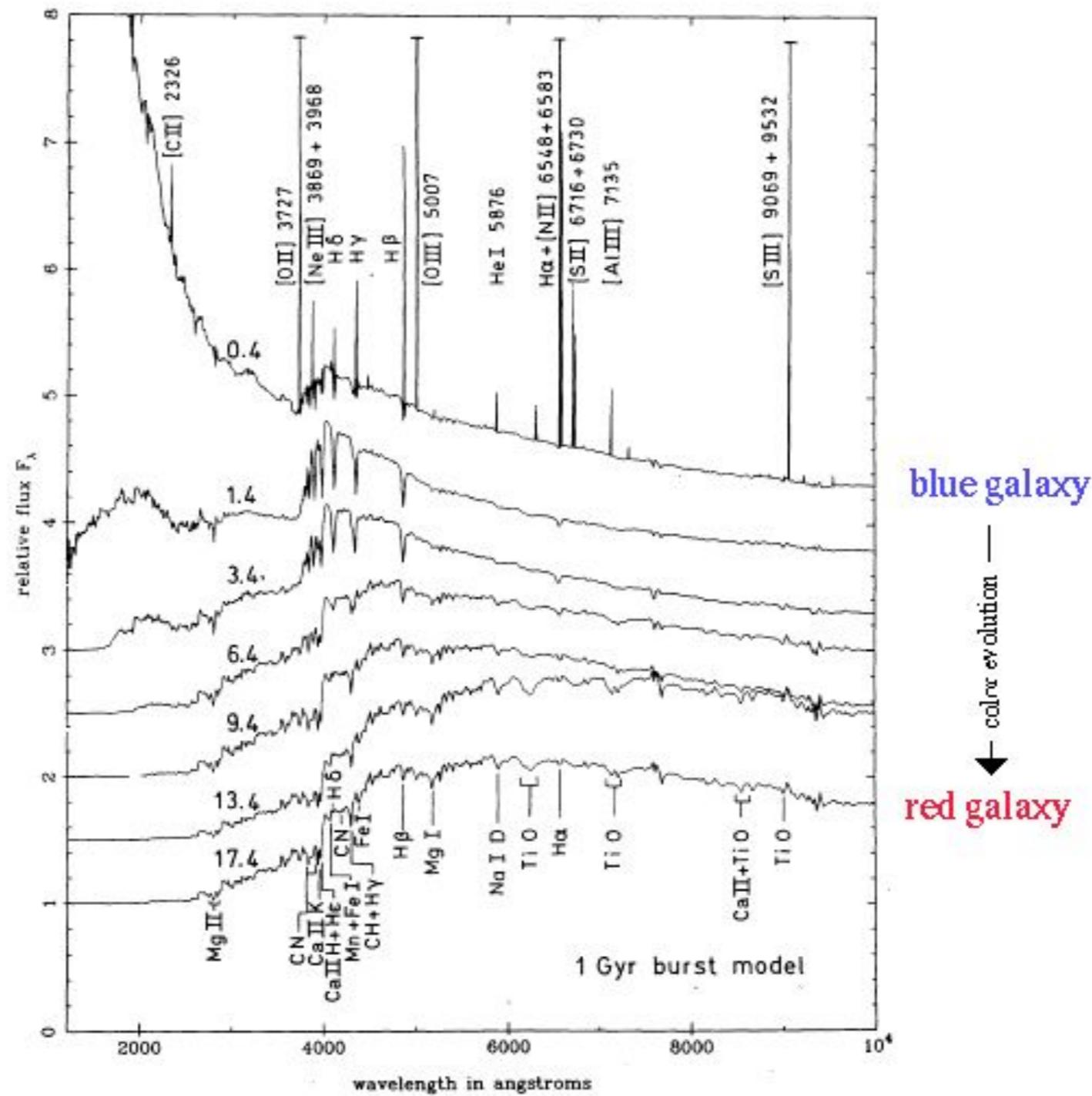
- The standard cosmological model is based on:
  - **Cosmological principle:**
    - our location is not special
    - on large enough scales the universe looks homogeneous in all direction and from every location
  - **Theory of General Relativity**
- Many different alternatives to explain the accelerating expansion.  
Either general relativity fails or there exists an entity (dark energy) with peculiar physical properties

# Redshift galaxy surveys

- One of the most powerful tools to understand dark energy and galaxy formation
- Main goal: measure the positions of distant galaxies
- Two main possibilities to estimate the redshift of a galaxy:
  - **spectroscopy**: high precision galaxy spectra BUT more exposure time and galaxy positions known a priori
  - **photometry**: less precision than spectroscopy BUT less exposure time and no knowledge of target positions

# Galaxy spectra

Single  
Stellar  
population  
model



# Galaxy spectra

- Combination of ~ billion stars + molecular clouds + star-forming regions
- We can basically distinguish 3 aspects:
  - **Strong continuum**
  - **Absorption lines**
  - **Emission lines**

# Galaxy spectra

- **Continuum:**

- combination of many Black bodies spectra spanning a range of temperatures
- fairly flat spectrum
- main feature: the 4000A-break caused by blanket absorption of high energy radiation from metals in the stellar atmospheres and the lack of hot blue stars.

Then:

- Ellipticals: strong break. Also characterized by strong absorption lines due to metals in the stellar atmospheres of the low luminosity stellar population
- Spirals: weak break. Strong emission lines due to hot young stars, also absorption features due to the older underlying stellar population
- Irregulars: no break. Strong emission lines due to hot young stars and surrounding HII regions

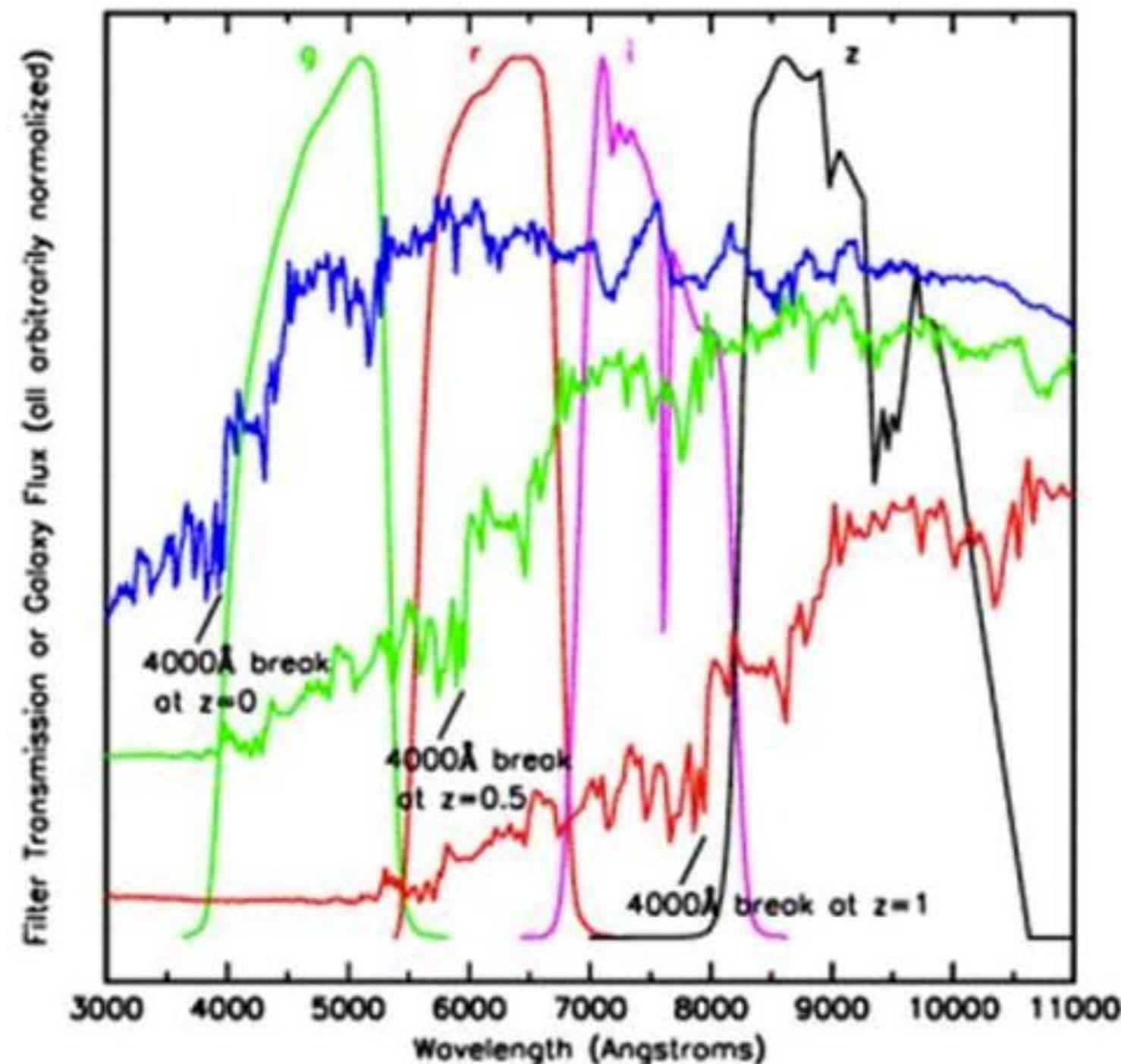
# Galaxy spectra

- **Absorption lines:**
  - atoms / molecules in the atmosphere of stars that absorb specific wavelengths
  - cold gas in the interstellar medium that extracts energy from the passing radiation
- **Emission lines** caused by gas being ionized and heated and then re-radiating at a specific allowed wavelengths

# Measuring redshift

- **Photometric** surveys:
  - Template-based methods
  - Machine learning techniques
- **Spectroscopic** surveys (characteristic spectral lines shifted from their usual position)

# Measuring redshift



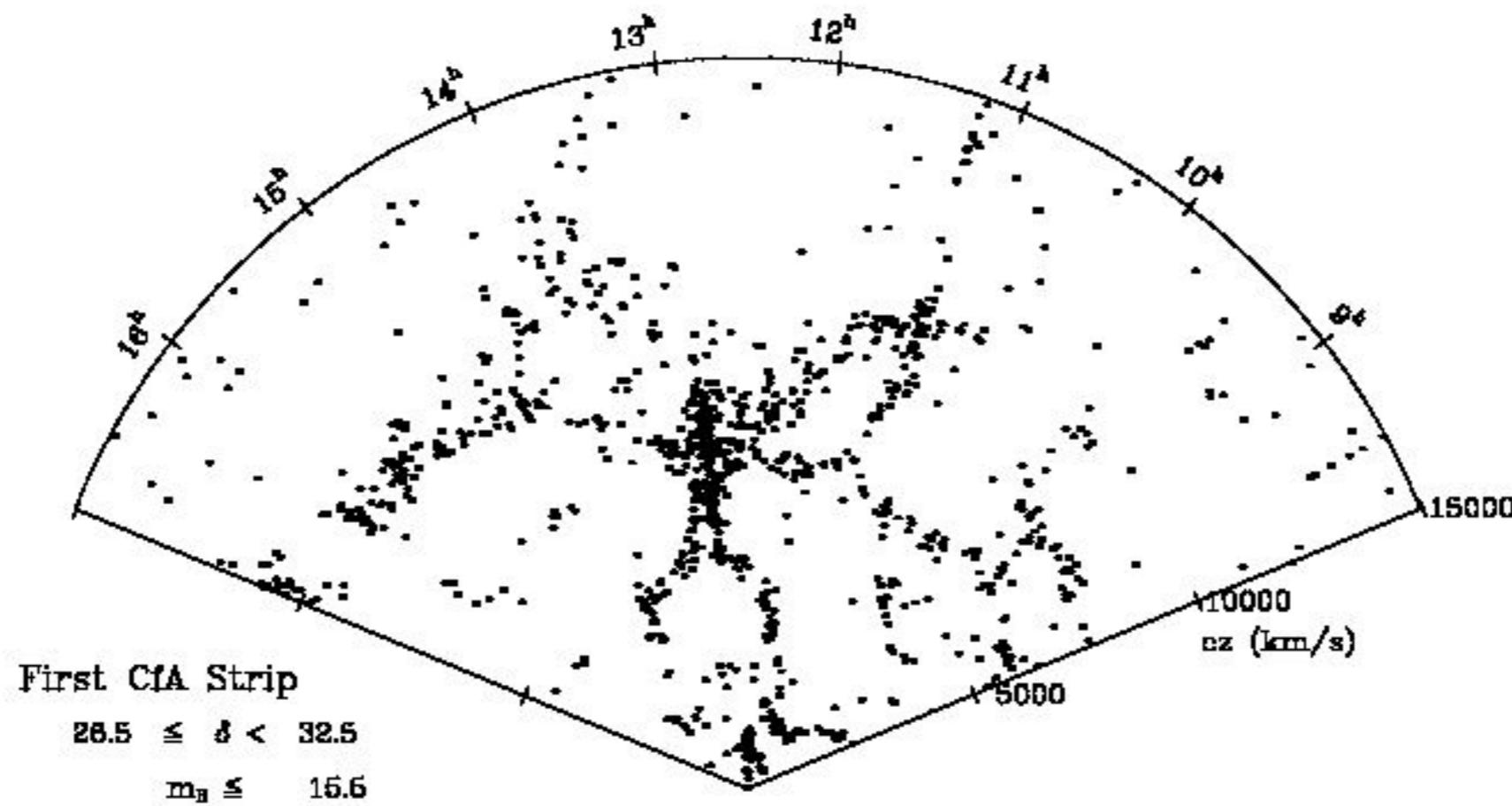
# Large galaxy surveys

## Completed (# objects)

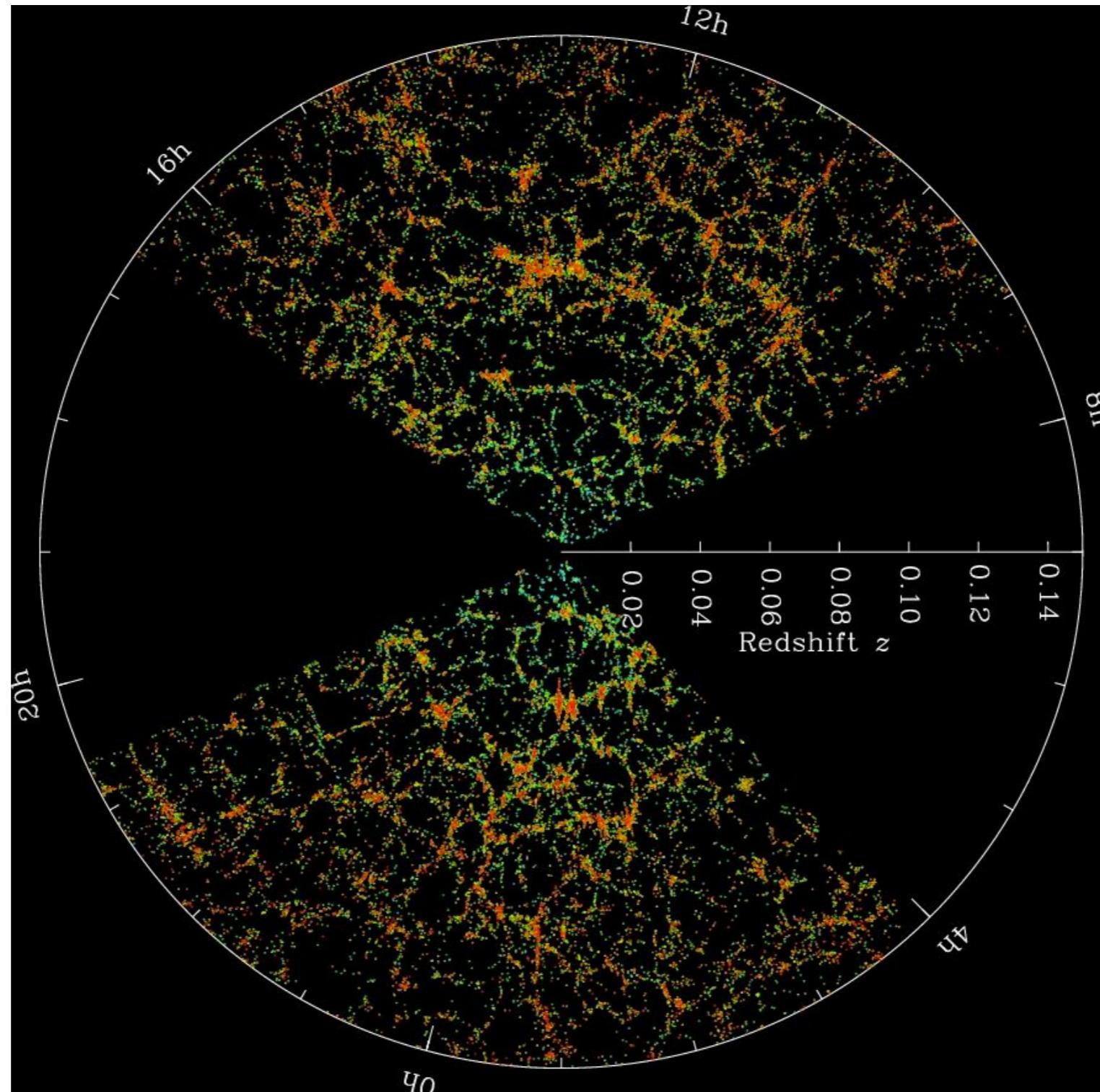
- 1977 - 1982: CfA Redshift Survey (~14K) - North
- 1985 - 1995: CfA2 (~18K) - North
- 1997 - 2002: 2dFGRS (~382K) - North
- 1997 - 2001: 2MASS (~45K) - Full
- 2000 - 2005: **SDSS-I** (700K) - North
- 2001 - 2009: 6dF Galaxy Survey (~136K) - South
- 2003 - 2012: CFHTLenS (28.7M) - North
- 2002 - 2013: DEEP2 (50K) - North
- 2008 - 2014: GAMA (~300K) - South
- 2008 - 2014: SDSS-III, BOSS (1.5M) - North
- 2010 - 2016: VIKING (100M) - South
- 2013 - 2019: KiDS (100M) - South
- 2014 - 2020: SDSS-IV, eBOSS (800K) - North
- 2015 - 2019: **PAUS** (40K) - North
- 2013 - 2019: **DES** (400M) - South

## Current and future

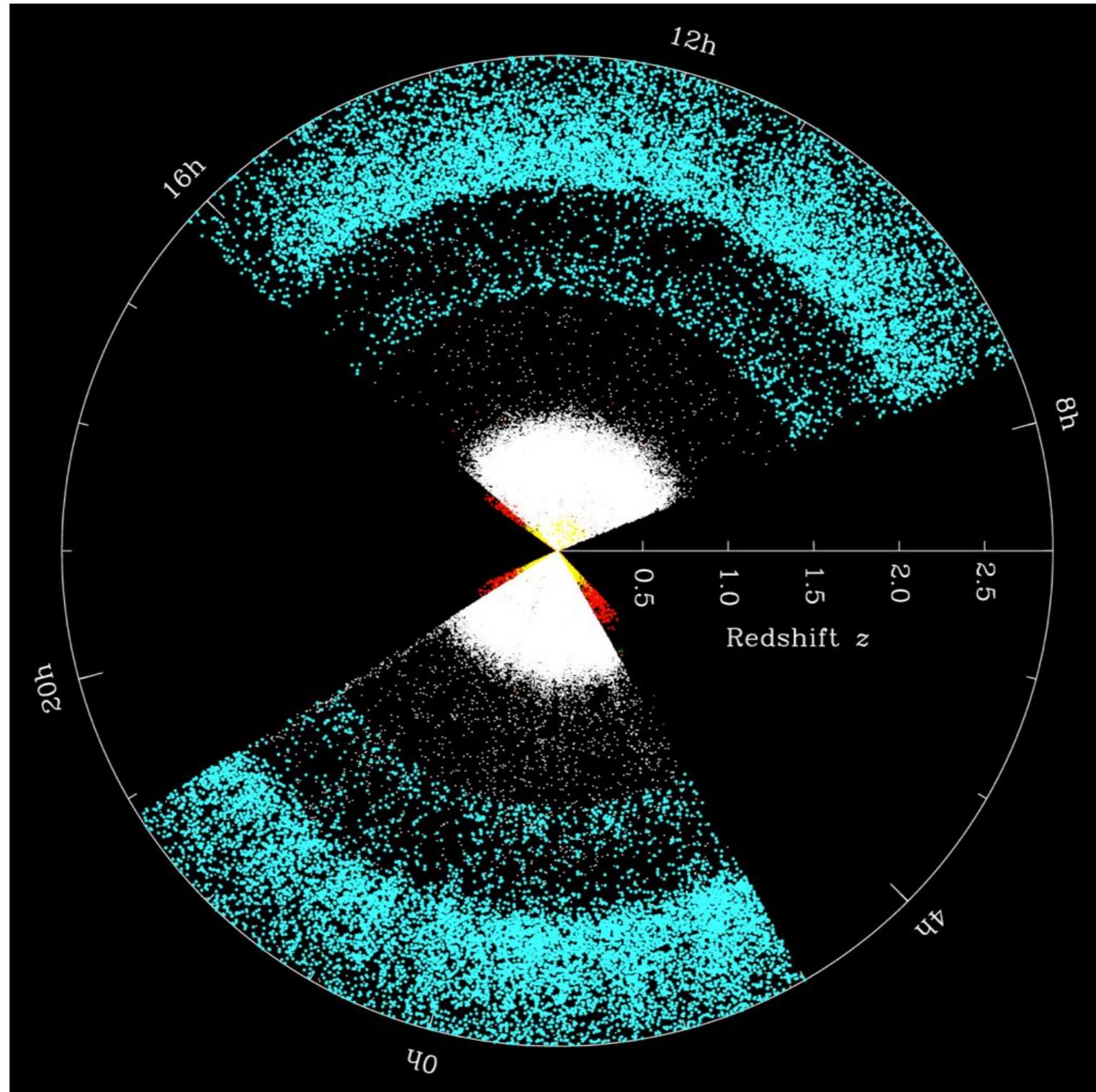
- 2022 - 2027: DESI (35M) - North
- 2023 - 2029: **Euclid** (2B) - Full
- 2024 - 2034: **LSST** (20B) - South
- 2027 - 2032: Roman - Full



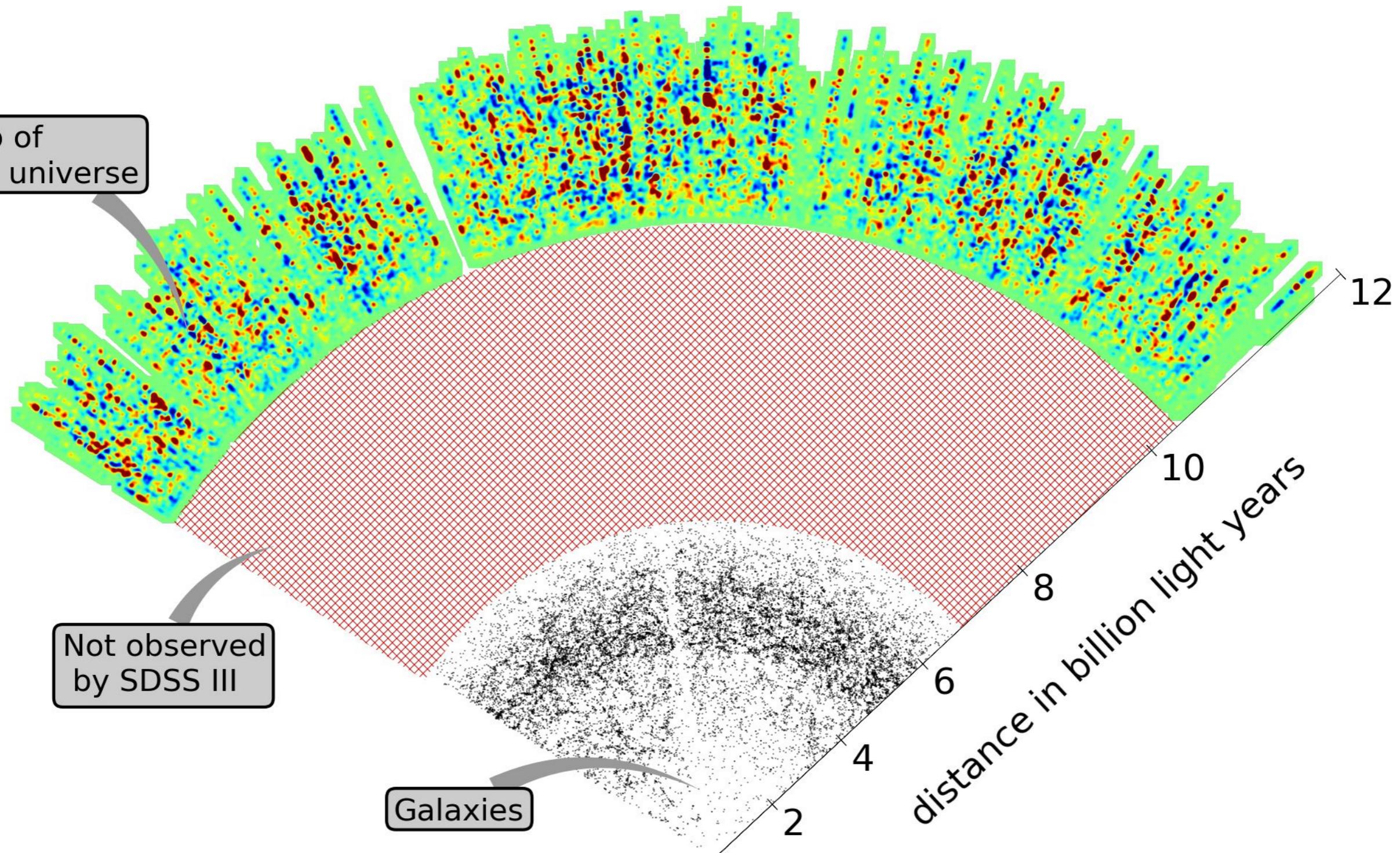
CfA survey: completed in 1982,  $\sim 14000$  galaxies up to redshift  $cz \sim 15000$  km/s



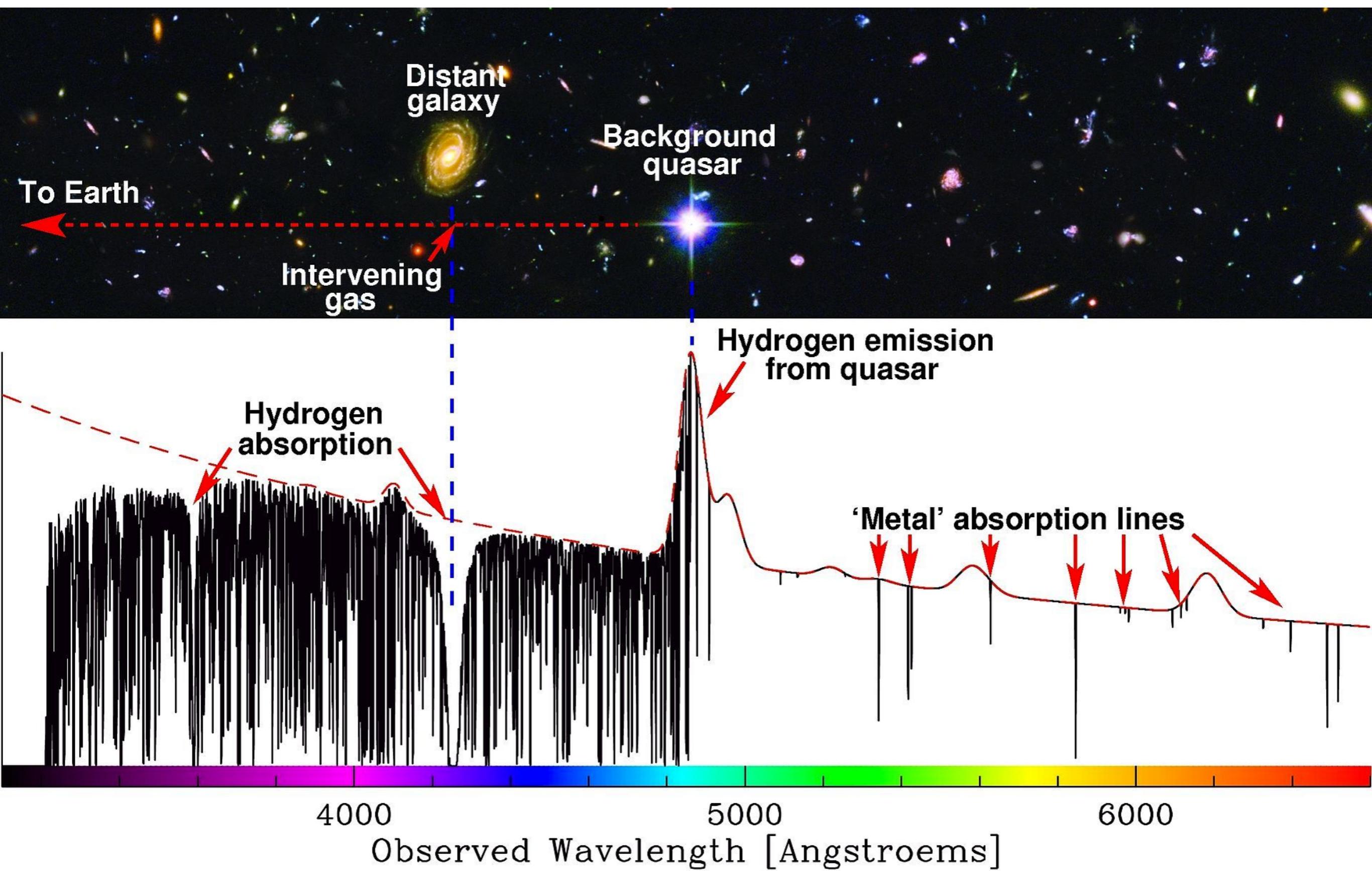
SDSS distribution of local galaxies



BOSS galaxies and quasars (in November 2011)



Largest 3D map of distant universe Lyman Alpha forest



## SOME COSMOLOGY PROJECTS

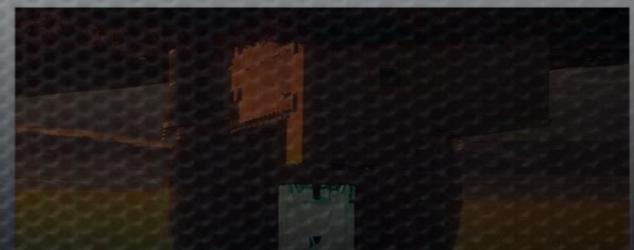
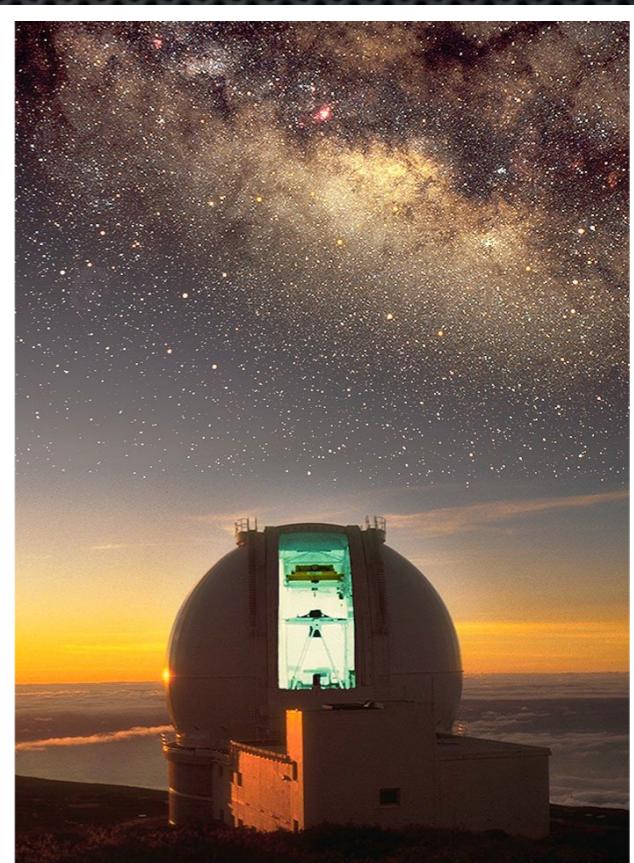
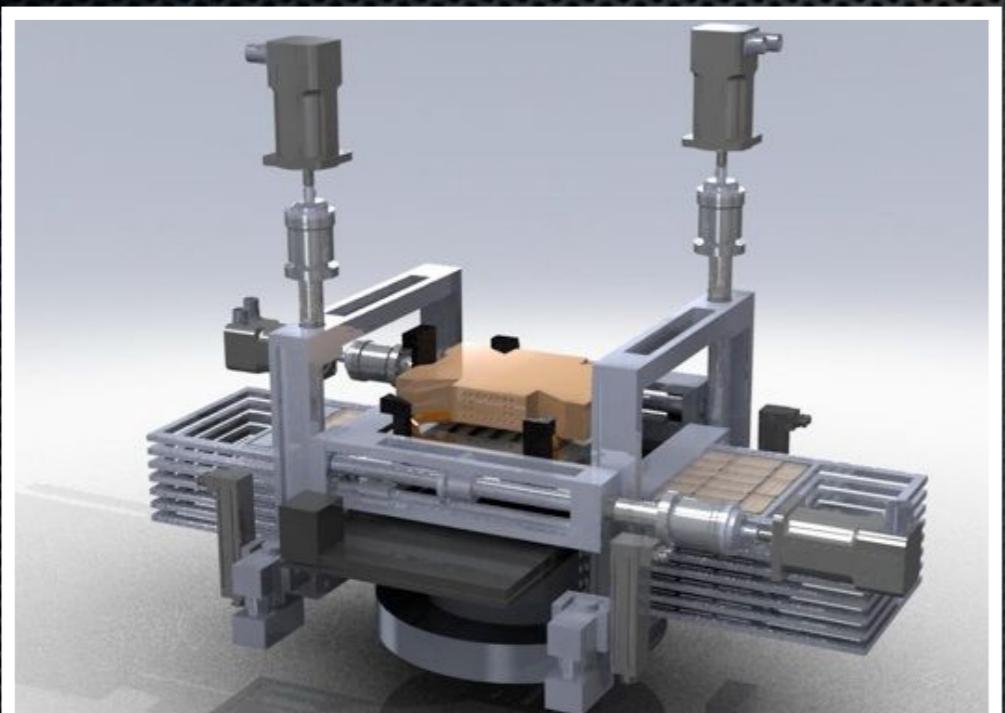
## PAU

- Physics of the Accelerated Universe: photometric survey, **42 narrow band filters** (4500-8500Å) and 5 five broad band filters (3000-8575Å)
- 16 CCDs located at La Palma on the 4.2m William Herschel Telescope in the Canary islands
- Very high accuracy photometric redshifts,  $\sigma_z < 0.0035(1+z)$ , which corresponds to  $d < 10$  Mpc for the whole redshift range of the survey
- Expected area  $120 \text{ deg}^2$
- The project has been mainly conceived by people from ICE and IFAE



## Cosmology Surveys

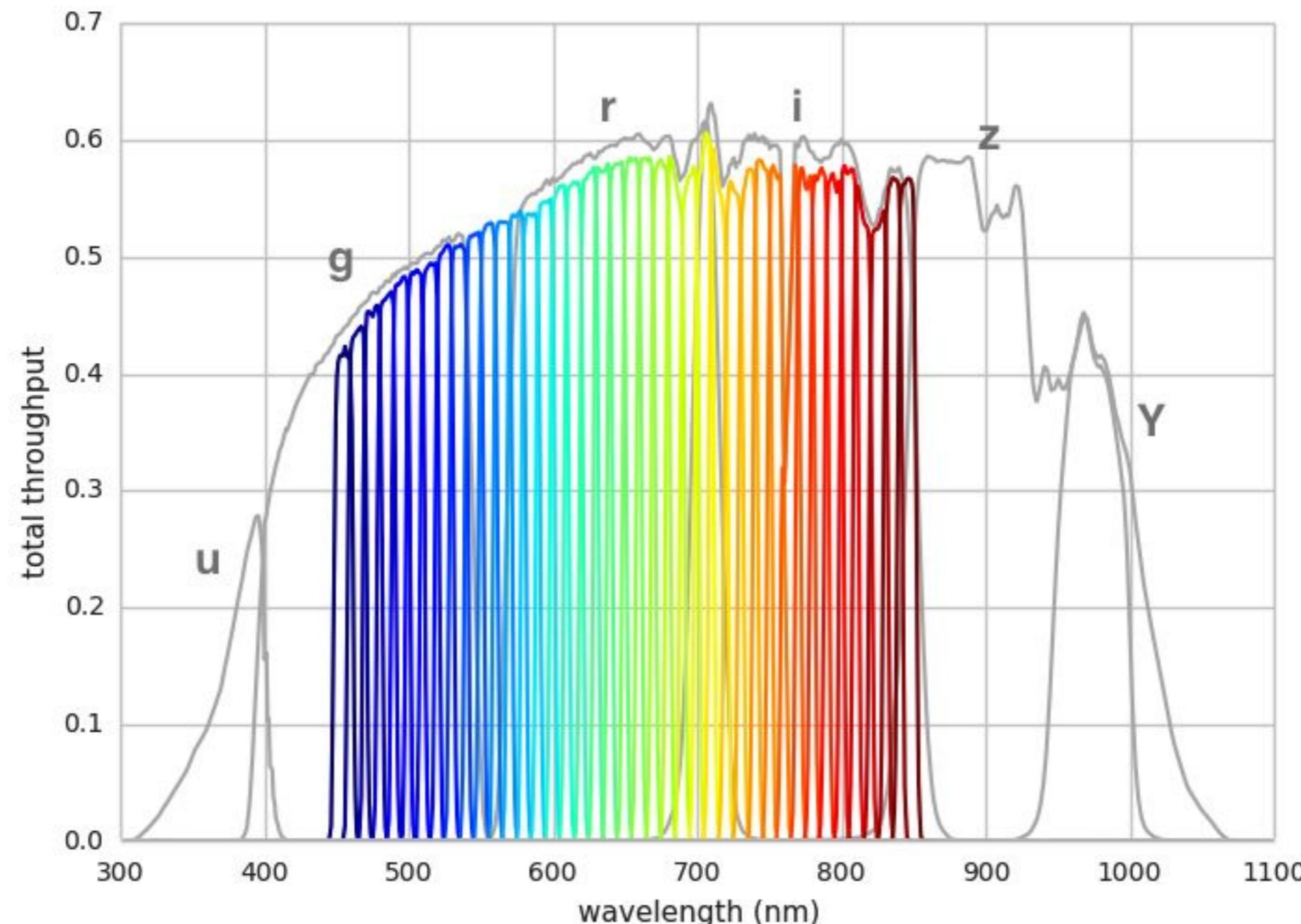
### Physics of the Accelerating Universe



10 billion light-years

100.000.000.000.000.000.000 meters

## PAU





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## PAU

- PAU publications: <https://pausurvey.org/pausurvey/publications/>
- Several different data releases (both simulated and observed)
  - some of them publicly available through: [CosmoHub](#)

## DES

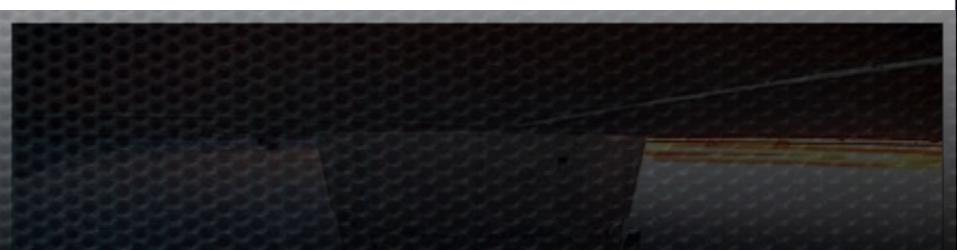
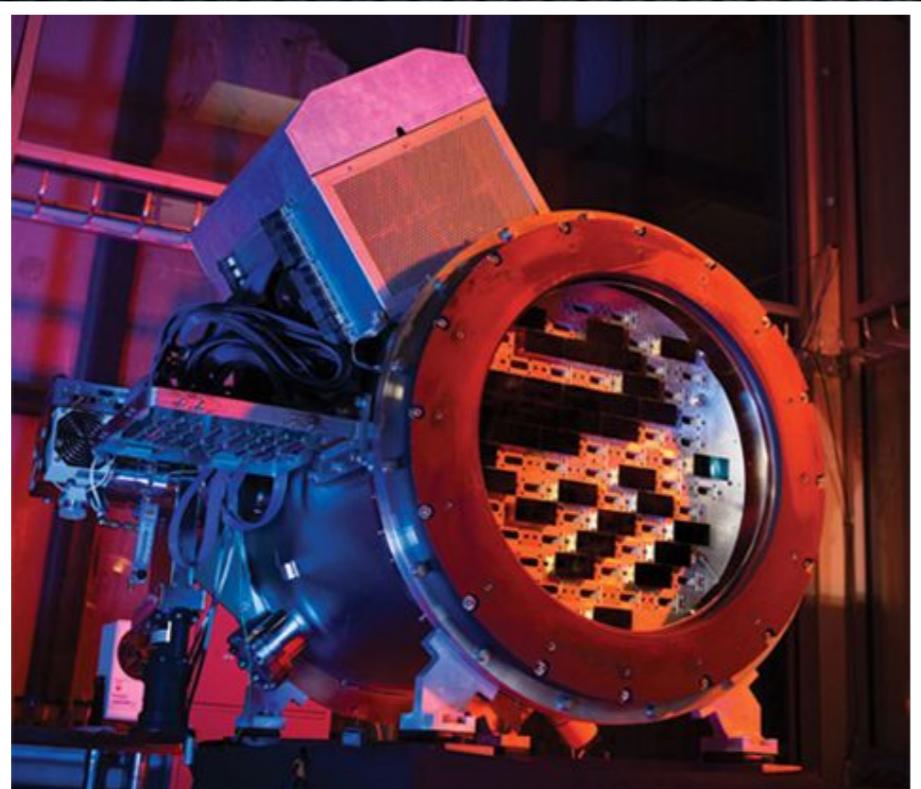
- Goal: probe the origin of the accelerating universe and understanding the nature of dark energy
- ~300M of galaxies, 15000 galaxy clusters up to  $z \sim 1.2$  and over 1000 distant type-Ia SNe
- **Photometric survey:** five filters (grizY), from the visible to the infrared, 62 CCDs located at Cerro Tololo on the Blanco Telescope in Chile
- DES combines 4 probes of dark energy: Type Ia Supernovae (**SN**), Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (**BAO**), Galaxy Clusters (**GC**) and Weak Gravitational Lensing (**WL**)
- People from ICE, IFAE and PIC are involved in photometric redshift, large scale structure and simulation science groups



DARK ENERGY  
SURVEY

## Cosmology Surveys

### The Dark Energy Survey



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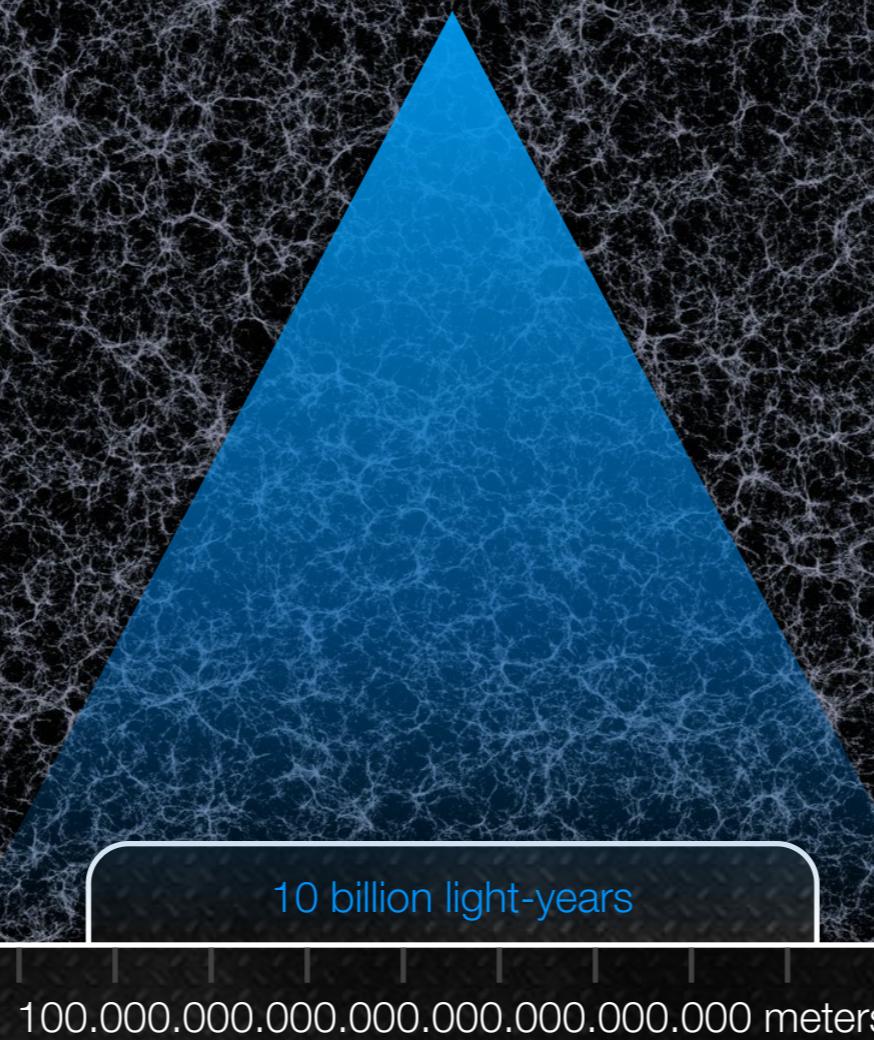


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# The Dark Energy Survey Data Processing and Calibration System

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## ABSTRACT

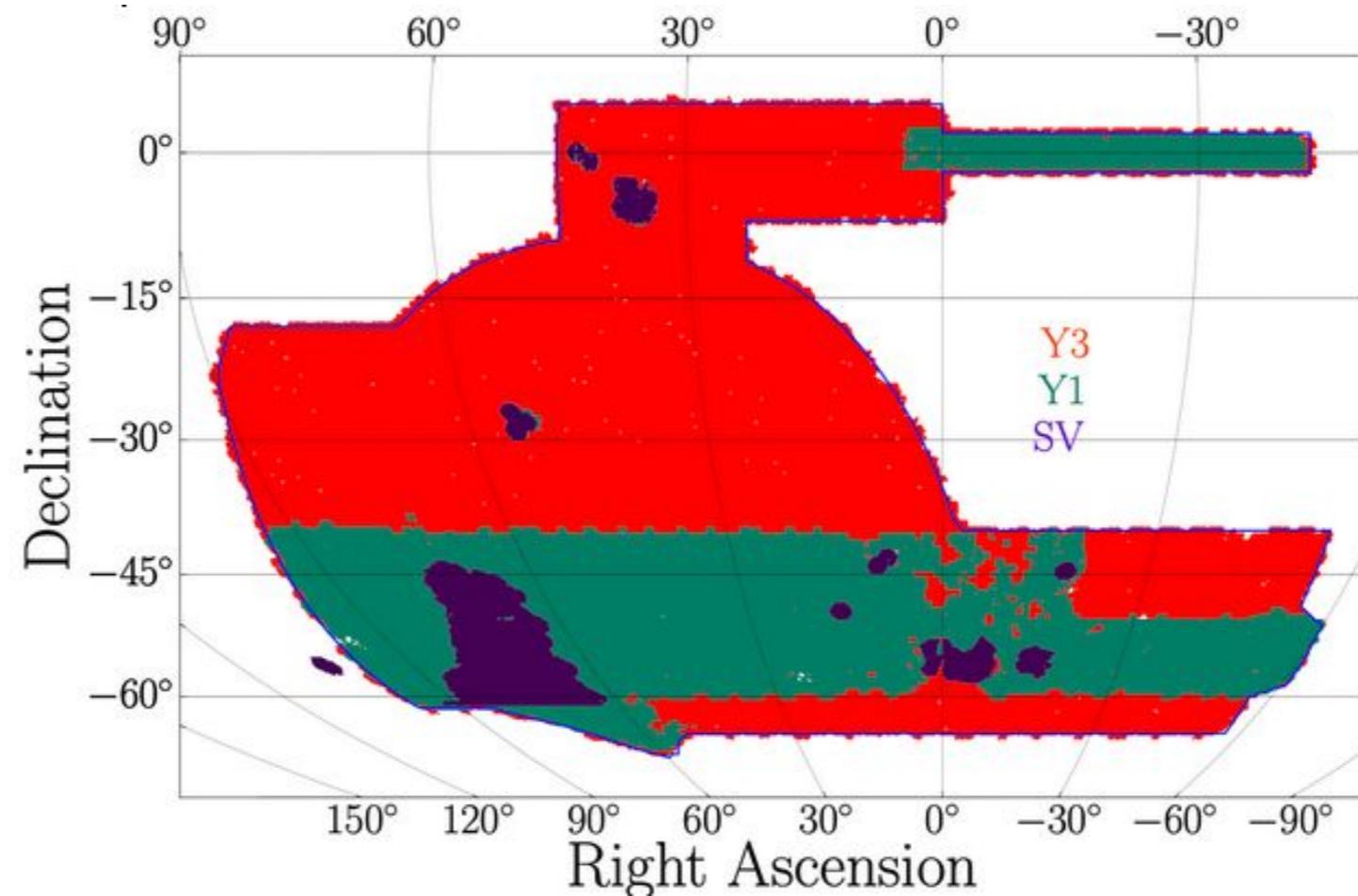
The Dark Energy Survey (DES) is a 5000 deg<sup>2</sup> grizY survey reaching characteristic photometric depths of 24<sup>th</sup> magnitude (10 sigma) and enabling accurate photometry and morphology of objects ten times fainter than in SDSS. Preparations for DES have included building a dedicated 3 deg<sup>2</sup> CCD camera (DECam), upgrading the existing CTIO Blanco 4m telescope and developing a new high performance computing (HPC) enabled data management system (DESDM).

The DESDM system will be used for processing, calibrating and serving the DES data. The total data volumes are high (~2PB), and so considerable effort has gone into designing an automated processing and quality control system. Special purpose image detrending and photometric calibration codes have been developed to meet the data quality requirements, while survey astrometric calibration, coaddition and cataloging rely on new extensions of the AstrOmatic codes which now include tools for PSF modeling, PSF homogenization, PSF corrected model fitting cataloging and joint model fitting across multiple input images.

The DESDM system has been deployed on dedicated development clusters and HPC systems in the US and Germany. An extensive program of testing with small rapid turn-around and larger campaign simulated datasets has been carried out. The system has also been tested on large real datasets, including Blanco Cosmology Survey data from the Mosaic2 camera. In Fall 2012 the DESDM system will be used for DECam commissioning, and, thereafter, the system will go into full science operations.

**Keywords:** Data Management, High Performance Computing, Optical Astronomy

## DES



- [DES Year 3 Cosmology Results papers](#): “Our year 3 cosmology analysis of galaxy clustering and gravitational lensing is a massive effort from more than a hundred scientists”
- [DES Year 6 Cosmology Results papers](#): “Our year 6 cosmology analysis of galaxy clustering and gravitational lensing is a massive effort from more than two hundred scientists”
  - Y6 Gold: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2501.05739>

# Euclid

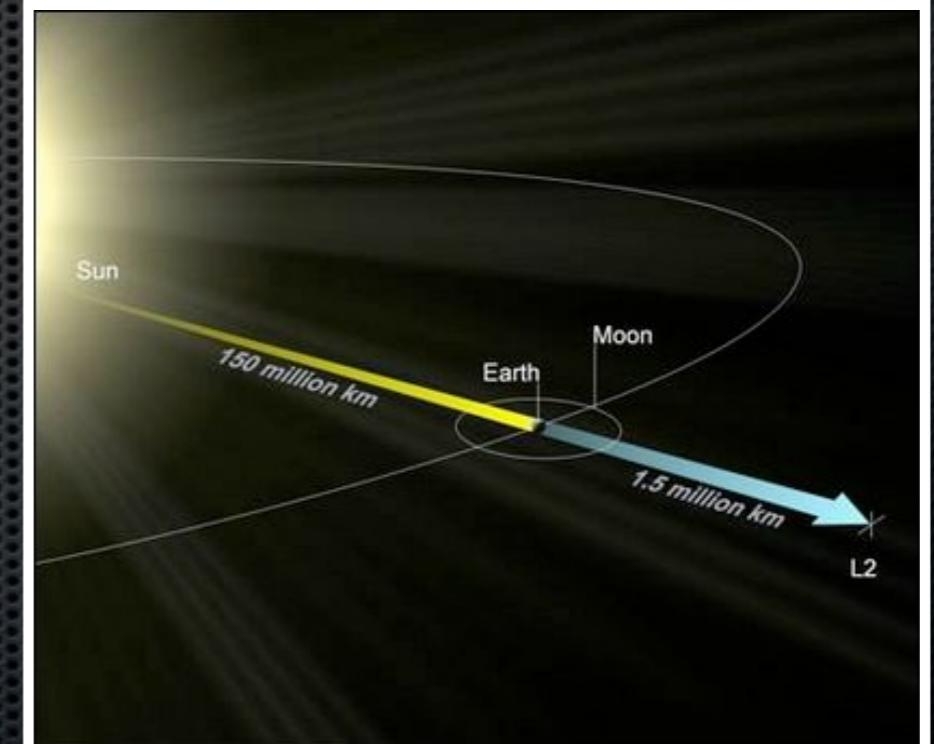
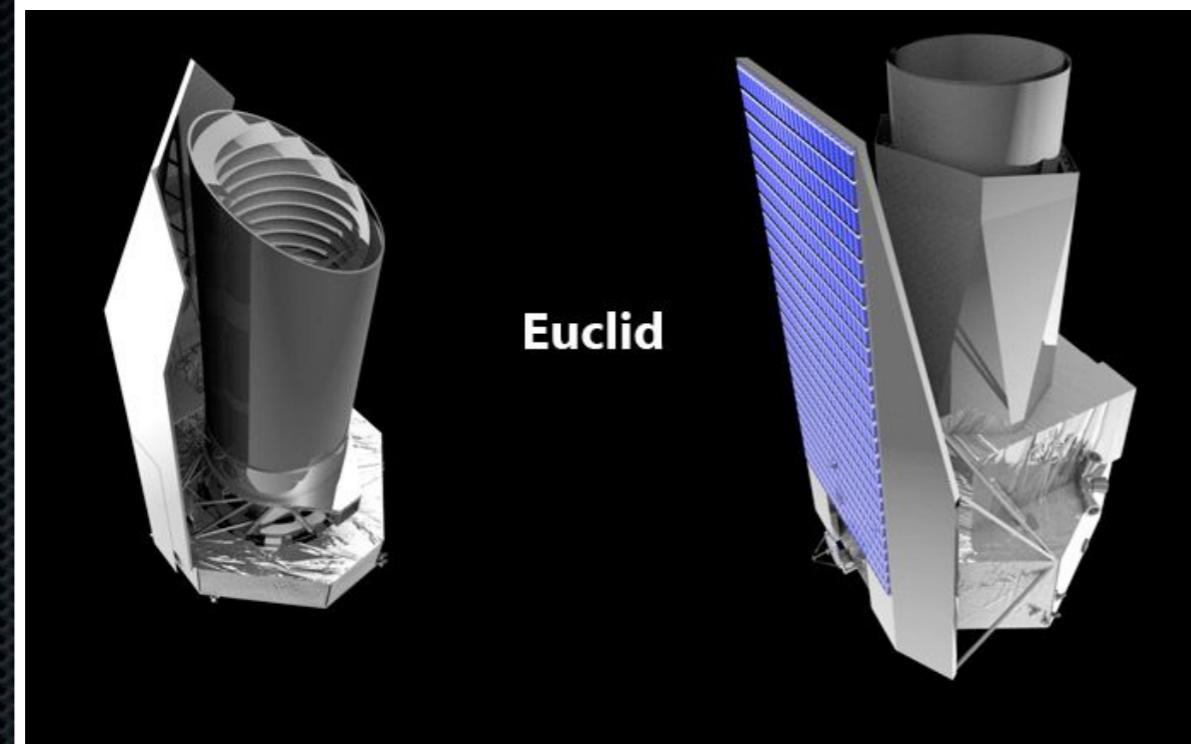
- M-class **ESA space mission**
  - **First space wide field galaxy survey**
  - Nature of dark energy and dark matter
- > 2000 members from 300 laboratories
  - 13 European countries, USA, Canada and Japan
- Combine independent methods
  - **Weak lensing and BAO**
- **15000 deg<sup>2</sup>** (and a deep survey of 40 deg<sup>2</sup>)
  - Billions of galaxies
- 2 instruments - 3 modes
  - Visual imager (shear measurements)
  - Near Infrared Spectrometer and Photometer
    - Near Infrared imager
    - Near infrared Slitless Spectrometer
- 1.2m telescope will be launched in 2020 (date planned in 2016!) (the end of May 2023 in january 2021!) and will cover 15000 deg<sup>2</sup> (and a deep survey of 40 deg<sup>2</sup>)
  - **Finally launched in july 2023** in the Falcon 9 Block 5 (SpaceX) from Cape Canaveral
- People at ICE, IFAE and PIC involved in the photometric redshift, simulations and data management science groups, and also responsible of building the filter wheel in the NIR



Credit: SpaceX Euclid launch 4K stills



Consortium



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## Cosmology Surveys Euclid Mission

- 10 billion astronomical sources
- spectroscopic redshifts for 50 million objects
- 15,000 deg<sup>2</sup>

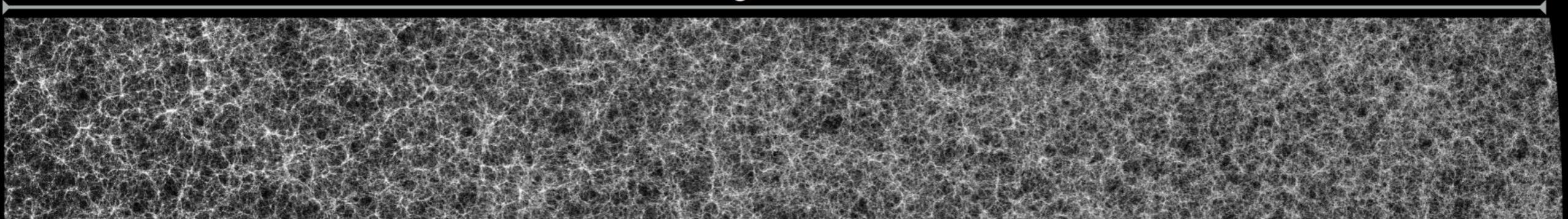
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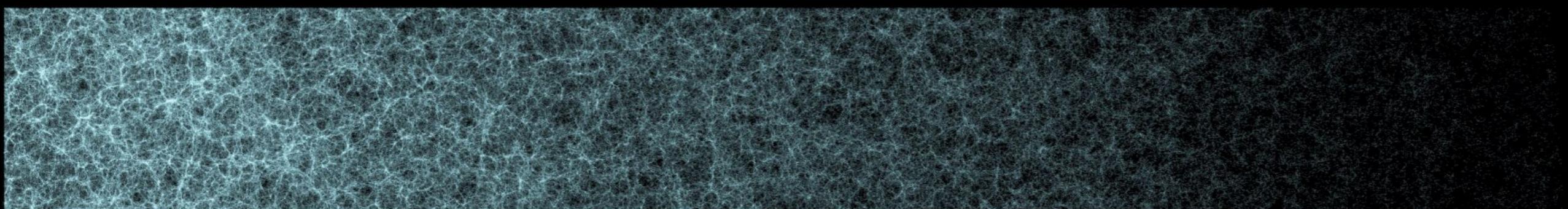
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All galaxies

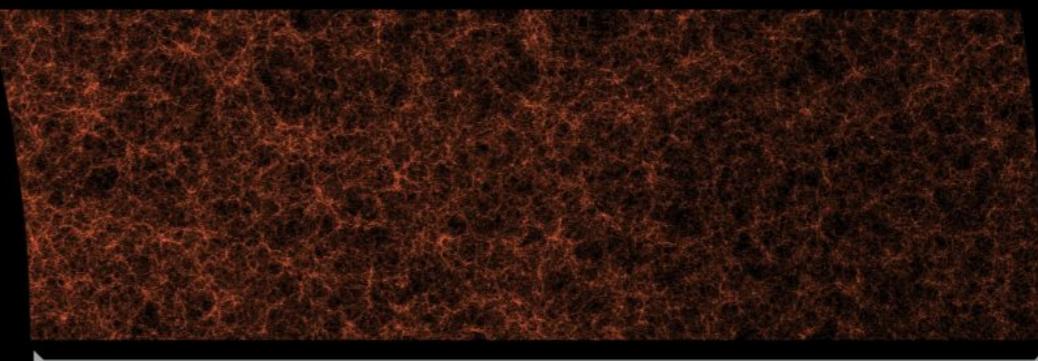
$z = 2.3$



VIS  $< 24.5$



NISP H $\alpha$   $> 1.e-16$



$z = 0.8$

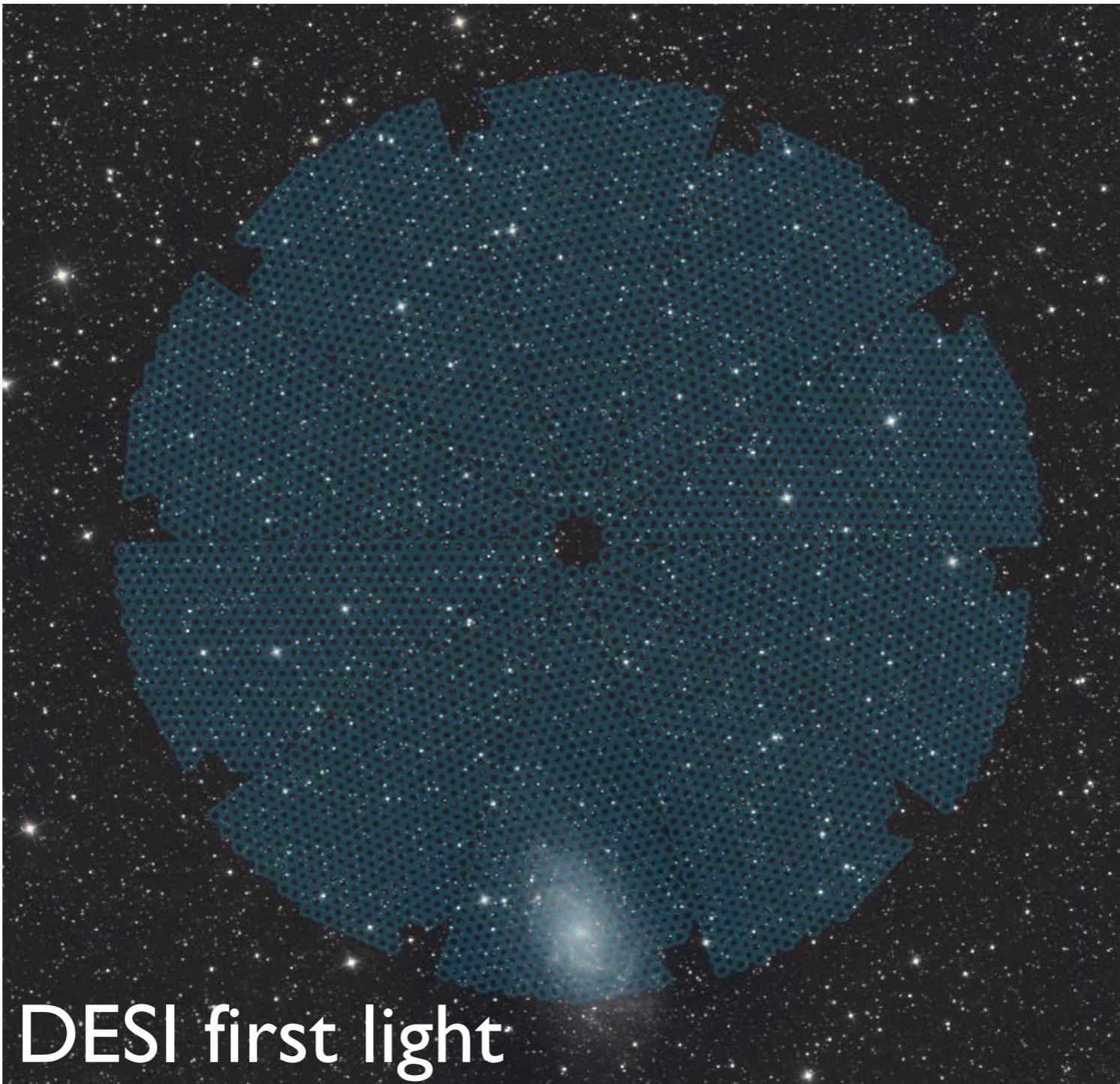
$z = 1.9$

Largest galaxy catalog ever  
built!  
*Euclid STAR TEAM prize (2018)*

# Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)

- Goal: probe diverse aspects of cosmology: from DE to alternatives to GR to neutrino masses
- **Spectroscopic astronomical survey**, located at the Kitt Peak Observatory in Arizona (United-States), with a focal plane containing **5K fiber-positioning robots** (currently in the commissioning and science validation process)
- Position of 35M galaxies and 2.4M QSOs during 5 years
- Barcelona-Madrid group (IFAE, ICE-CSIC, IEEC, CIEMAT and IFT-UAM) contributions: design, development and installation of the guiding, focusing and alignment of the telescope

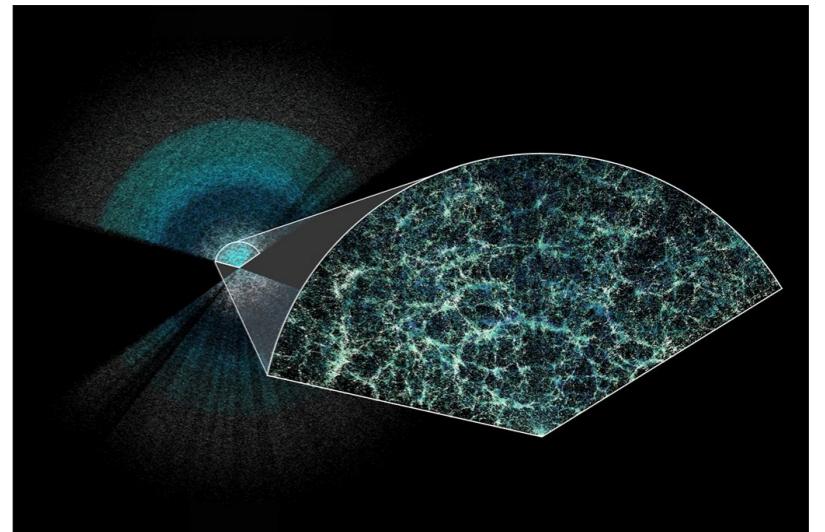
# Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)



DESI first light

# DESI results

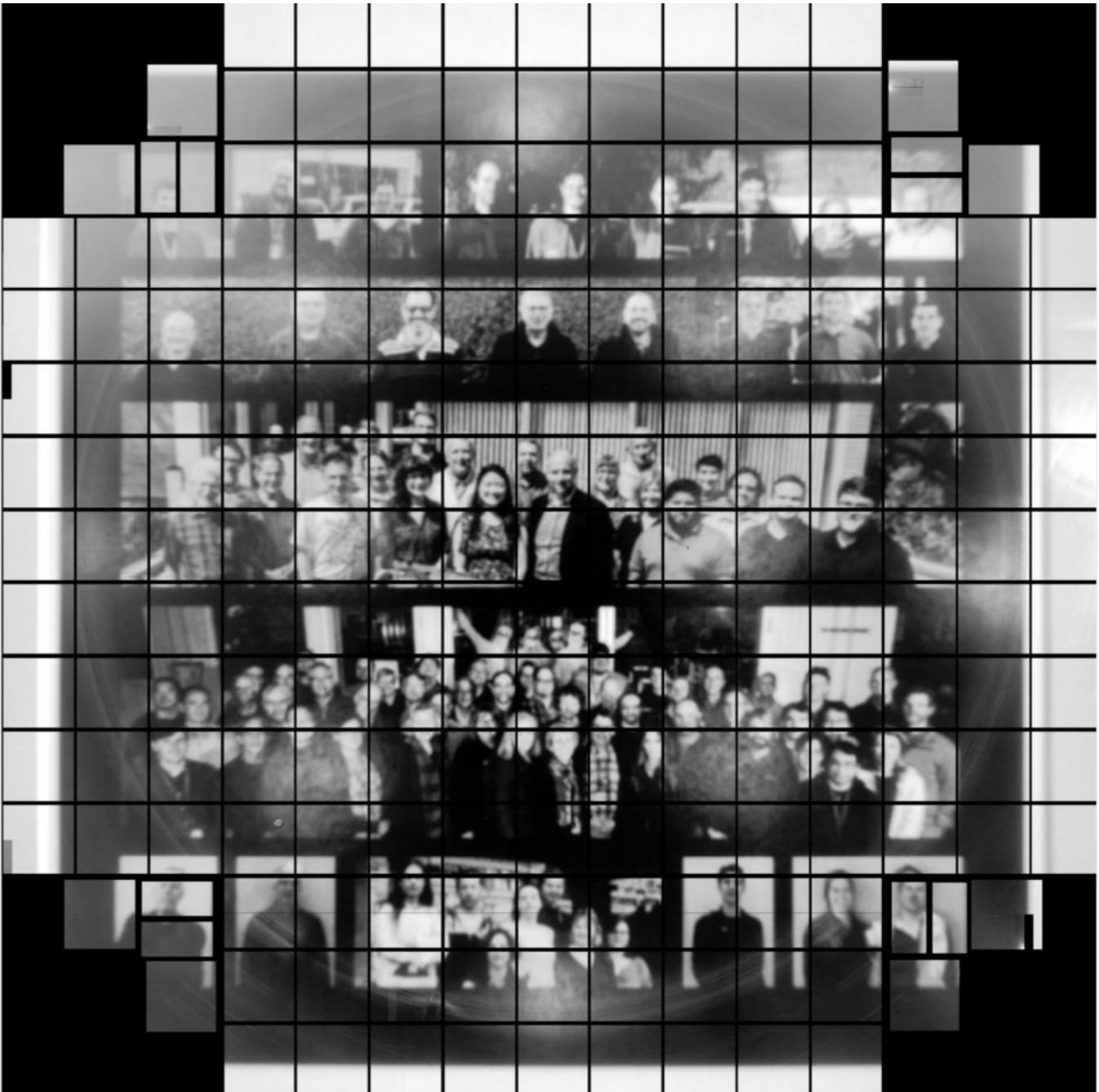
- Most Precise Measurement of Our Expanding Universe (April 2024)
  - Possible hint of dark energy evolving with time (Hubble tension):
    - “Early-universe observations, such as those from the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB), suggest a lower  $H_0$  ( $\sim 67.4 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$ ), while late-universe or local measurements indicate a higher value ( $\sim 73 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$ ). This inconsistency challenges our current understanding of cosmology”
- DESI key papers:
  - <https://data.desi.lbl.gov/doc/papers/>
- [5000 Eyes - Mapping the Universe with DESI](#)



# Legacy Survey of Space and Time (LSST)

- Conducted by the **Vera C. Rubin Observatory**
- Designed to address four science areas:
  - Probing dark energy and dark matter
  - Taking an inventory of the solar system
  - Exploring the transient optical sky (10M alerts/night)
  - Mapping the Milky Way
- Camera with ~ **3 billion pixels** of solid state detectors with 5 filters (**photometric survey**)
- 8.4-meter telescope can **survey the full sky in only 3 nights**. Science verification (2022), operations (2023)
- Data management: software is one of the most challenging aspects (>20 TiB of data processed and stored / night)
- People at ICE, IFAE and PIC will be involved in several areas.

# Vera C. Rubin Observatory



Credits: [Rubin Observatory Gallery](#)

# Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope

- NASA infrared space telescope
  - Scheduled to be launched on a Falcon Heavy rocket by October 2027
  - Sun-Earth L2 orbit
- Designed to address four science areas
  - Dark energy and the expansion of the Universe
  - Extrasolar planets (gravitational microlensing)
- 2.4m telescope (wide field of view) with 2 instruments
  - Wide-Field Instrument (300.8-megapixel) multi-band visible and near-infrared camera (higher resolution than Euclid; deeper surveys)
  - Coronagraphic Instrument (CGI) (small field of view) camera and spectrometer covering visible and near-infrared wavelengths
- ICE involved in SN (as far as I know)



# Other large surveys and detectors

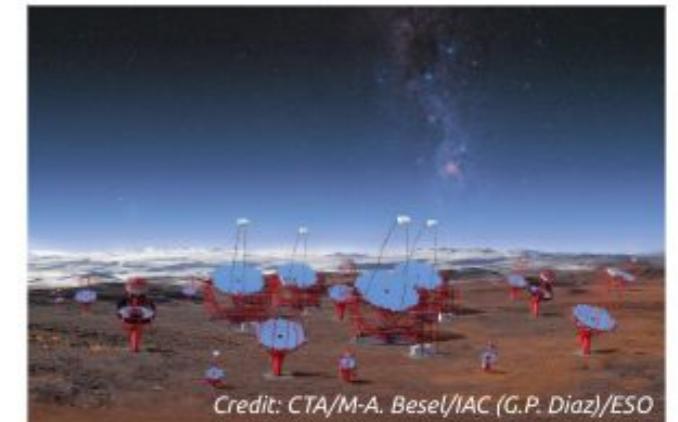
Gaia 3D map of the MW (2013-2025)



LIGO / Virgo collaborations



Cherenkov Telescope Array (2026 - )



James Webb Space Telescope (2022-)



Square Kilometer Array (mid-2020s - )



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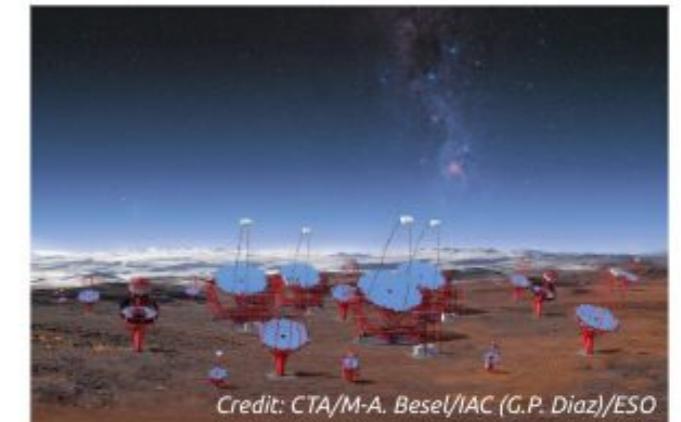
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**Multimessenger Astronomy is now a reality  
(new windows to probe the cosmos)**

# Galaxy formation

- Galaxy surveys are a **powerful tool** to solve two of the most challenging problems in Astrophysics and Cosmology: understand the **nature of dark energy** and solving the problem of **galaxy formation**
- Current paradigm of structure formation: galaxies are formed and reside in overdensities of the underlying dark matter field (these overdensities are called dark matter haloes)
- The link between the properties of the halo population and the galaxy population is a key ingredient in order to understand galaxy formation

**N-body simulations and analytical models give a detailed picture of the underlying dark matter field**

# Galaxy formation

- Brief summary: galaxies form by the cooling and condensation of gas inside the dark matter haloes. Besides cooling, complicated physical properties such as star formation, merging, tidal interactions and several feedbacks processes, determine galaxy formation and its evolution
- To simulate these processes and reproduce galaxy formation there exist several methods, which by themselves, and together with other ingredients, are used to build mock galaxy catalogs

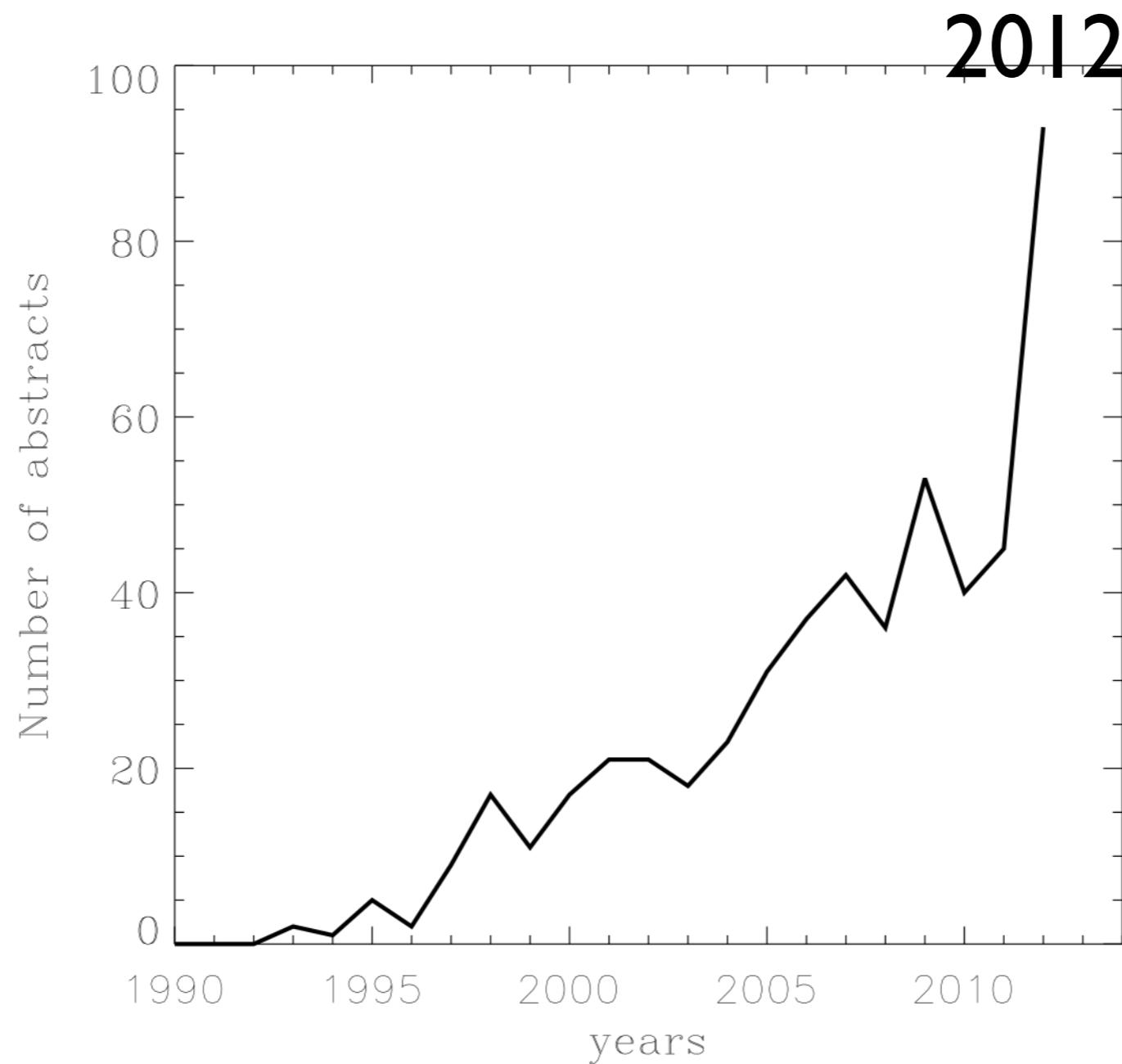




# Why mock galaxy catalogs?

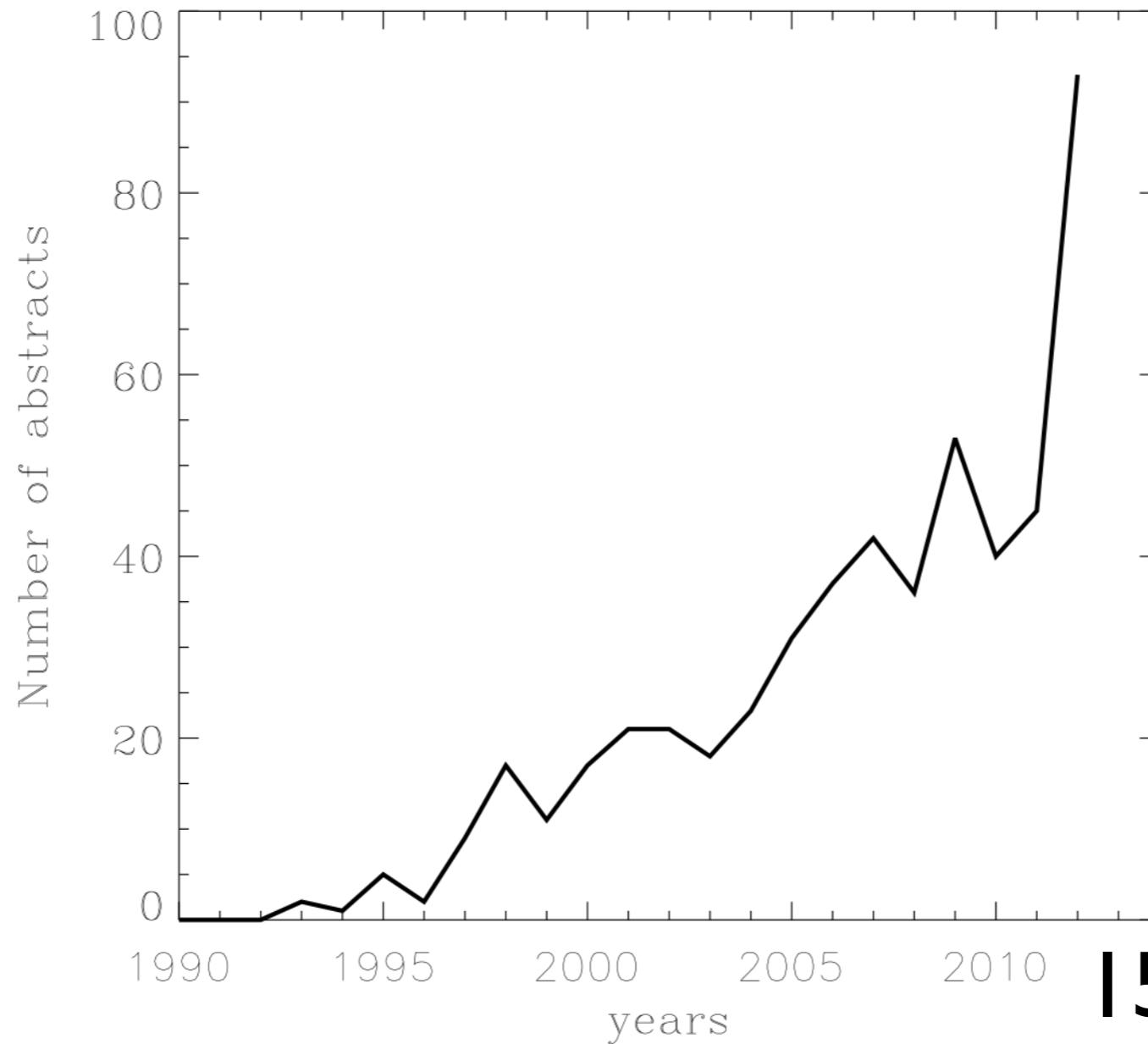
- Design and calibrate galaxy surveys (e.g. DES, PAU or Euclid):
  - study selection effects (magnitude, colour, photometric redshift, etc.)
  - explore systematic effects
  - calibrate errors
  - test new techniques to measure cosmological parameters
  - calibrate cluster finder codes, photometric redshift code s,etc...
- Understand and interpret observations
- Essential tool to develop the data processing

# Articles with mocks



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~500



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# Methods

- We can separate the methods into the ones involving N-body simulations and the ones that do not use them
- The former are more common mainly because one obtains much more information about the underlying dark matter distribution.
- The latter avoid the problem of managing and solving the equations of motion of a huge number of particles, which is computationally expensive, and usually take advantage from results of N-body simulations (e.g. density profile to place satellite galaxies)
- For both methods, in most cases, the essential ingredients are a correct number density and spatial distribution of dark matter haloes

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- The latter avoid the problem of solving the equations of motion of a huge number of particles, which is computationally expensive, and instead take advantage from results of N-body simulations (e.g., profile to place satellite galaxies)
- Finally, in most cases, the essential ingredients are a proper density and spatial distribution of dark matter haloes

Recent overview (2020): *Cosmological simulations of Galaxy Formation*

# Without N-body

- Scoccimarro & Sheth 2002 cite in their conclusions some methods of making mock galaxy catalogues without using as input N-body simulations, e.g:
  - Soneira & Peebles 1978: algorithm to reproduce the observed two-point statistics at small-scales. By adjusting the parameters of the model they produce a galaxy map that visually appears as a first approximation of the Lick survey
  - Coles & Jones 1991: model for the distribution of matter using a lognormal random field
  - Sheth & Saslaw 1994: technique to distribute cluster centers using a Poisson distribution and place galaxies around them following a specific recipe for the shape, the radius, the number of particles and the radial density profile of the cluster

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- Another approach to model galaxy formation, and to build mock galaxy catalogs, are Semi-Analytic Models. They need a halo merger history tree and, in principle, they do not necessarily use N-body simulations
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Annual review (2015): Physical Models of Galaxy Formation  
in a Cosmological Framework

# Merger trees

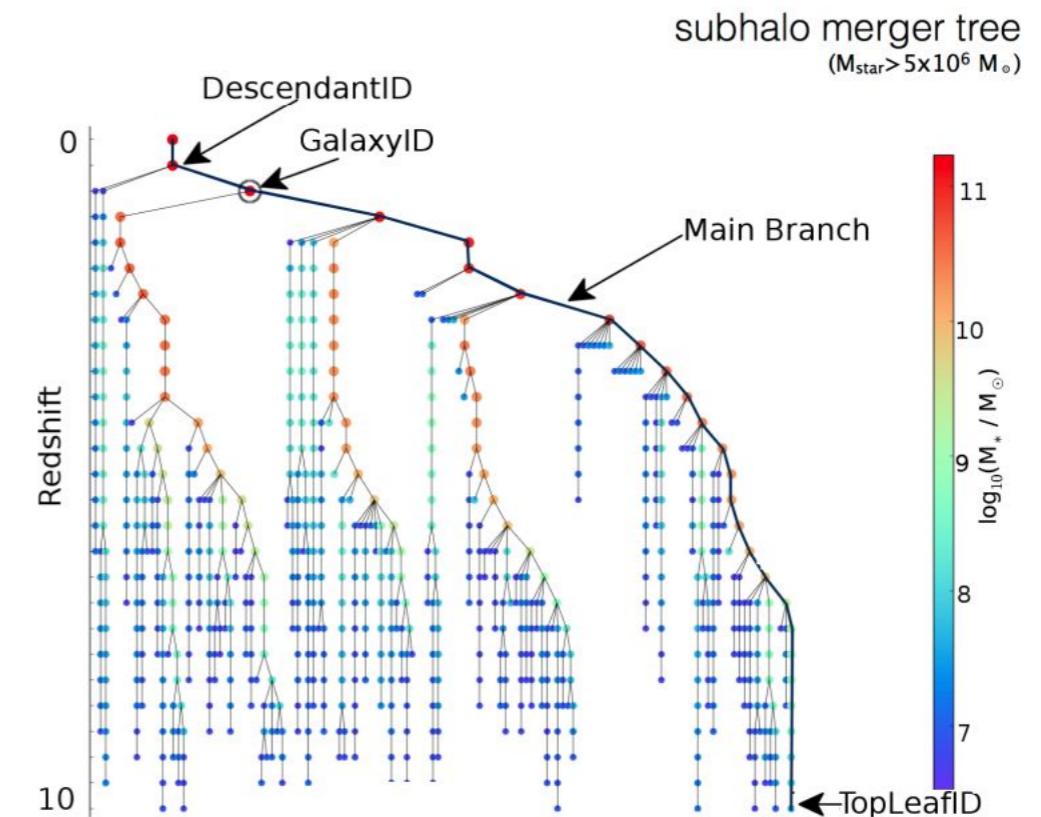
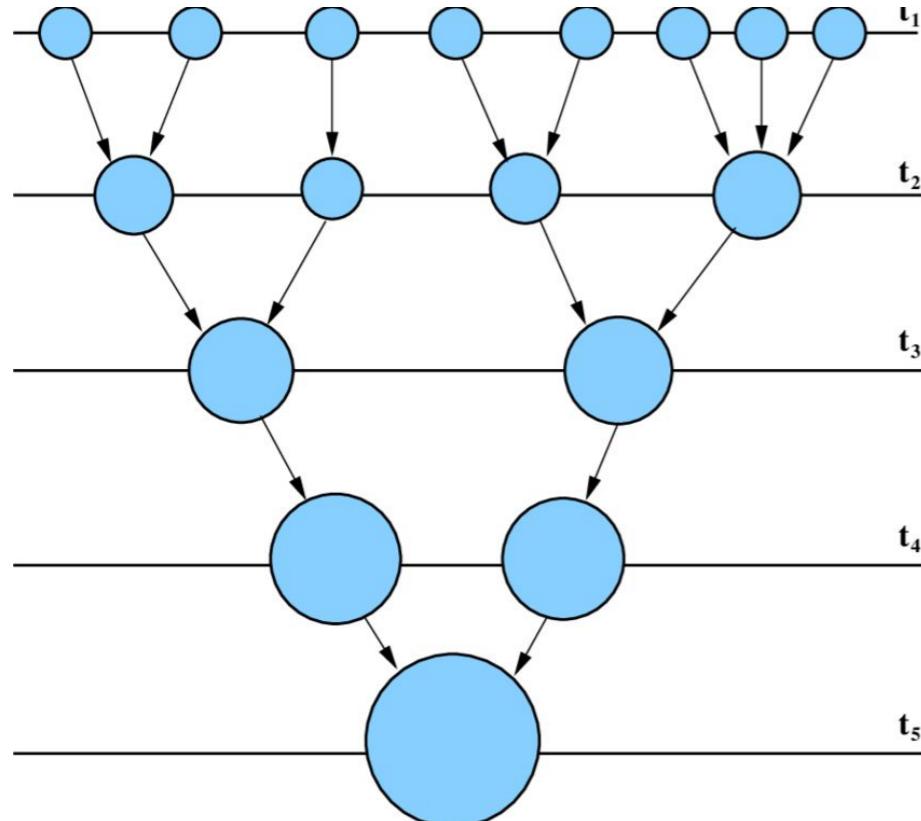


Figure 2: Merger history of a galaxy with a  $z = 0.18$  stellar mass  $M_{\star} \sim 10^{10} M_{\odot}$  indicated by the circled dot. Symbol colours and sizes are scaled with the logarithm of the stellar mass. The GalaxyID of this galaxy points towards it, as indicated by the arrow. The main progenitor branch is indicated with a thick black line, all other branches with a thin line. The TopLeafID gives the GalaxyID of the highest redshift galaxy on the main progenitor branch whilst the LastProgID (not shown) gives the maximum GalaxyID of all the progenitors of the galaxy considered. Querying all galaxies with an ID between GalaxyID and LastProgID will return all the progenitor galaxies in the tree.

## Eagle simulation of galaxy formation

# Fast approximated methods

- From [nIFTy Cosmology paper](#): “Many new tools (see Table 1) have been developed for reconstructing in an approximate way the **large-scale structures down to the mildly nonlinear scales**, allowing a fast generation of simulated volumes of the Universe. In this way, a direct computation of the covariance matrices by means of large numbers of realizations is possible”

Methodology	reference
<b>Log-Normal</b>	Coles & Jones 1991
<b>PTHalos</b>	Manera et al. 2012, 2015
<b>PINOCCHIO</b> (PINpointing Orbit-Crossing Collapsed Hierarchical Objects)	Monaco et al. 2002, 2013
<b>COLA</b> (COmoving Lagrangian Acceleration simulation)	Tassev et al. 2013
<b>PATCHY</b> (PerturbAtion Theory Catalog generator of Halo and galaxY distributions)	Kitaura et al. 2014a,b
QPM (quick particle mesh)	White et al. 2013
<b>EZmock</b> (Effective Zel'dovich approximation mock catalogue)	Chuang et al. 2015
<b>HALOgen</b>	Avila et al. 2014

**Table 1.** The methodologies of generating mock halo/galaxy catalogues developed in the last years. The methodologies included in this study are highlighted using bold font.

# PTHALOS

- New method orders of magnitudes faster than N-body simulations.
- They argue that since the behavior of baryons inside dark-matter haloes is not completely known it is possible to obtain similar galaxy distributions without solving the equation of motion for the dark matter due to gravitational clustering.
- **The idea is to obtain a correct number and space distribution of virialized dark-matter haloes without using the computationally expensive method used in N-body simulations.**
- Combine perturbation theory with halo models of the non-linear density and velocity fields.

## With N-body

- Some mock galaxy catalogs use N-body simulations.
- Most of them use a halo catalogue as input.
- **To reproduce the correct clustering the essential point is to have a halo population with the correct number density and the correct clustering**
- There are galaxy catalogues built by directly populating dark-matter particles

# DM halo - galaxy relation

- 3 common approaches to relate DM haloes with galaxies:
  - Hydrodynamical simulations
  - Semi-analytic models
  - Extensions of the Halo model
    - Conditional Luminosity Function (CLF)
    - Halo Occupation Distribution (HOD)
    - Halo abundance matching technique (HAM)

# Hydrodynamical sims

- Another type of numerical simulations in a cosmological context, study galaxy formation and evolution
- Most explicit way to model galaxy formation is using numerical hydrodynamic techniques, in which the equations of gravity, hydrodynamics, and thermodynamics are concurrently solved for particles and/or grid cells representing dark matter, gas, and stars (different particle types rather than pure dark matter N-body simulations)
- Unlike gravity, which is a long range force, hydrodynamic mechanisms are important on small scales ( $<1\text{Mpc}/h$ ), e.g. in the formation of galaxies and in linking the matter distribution of the universe to the observed light distribution
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## Some examples (very outdated!)

- Cole et al. 1998 (2dF and SDSS surveys; N-body)
- Coil et al. 2001 (DEEP survey; GIF Virgo Consortium simulations with SAMS)
- Yang et al. 2004 (2dFGRS; N-body with CLF)
- Millenium simulation project 2005 (N-body with SAMs)
- Jouvel et al. 2009 (realistic galaxy spectro-photometric catalogs without N-body sims)
- Cabré & Gaztañaga 2011(BAO catalogs directly populating dark-matter particles)
- Las Damas project (set of N-body sims using HOD)
- Manera et al. 2012 (600 catalogs using PTHALOS)

Galaxy and some other Mock  
Catalogues available online

<https://w.astro.berkeley.edu/~jcohn/mocklist.html>

## Halo model / HOD

- Born to explain the observed power spectrum and correlation function of galaxies
- To estimate the statistics of the large scale structure of the density and velocity fields as a consequence of the non-linear gravitational clustering ( $\delta \gg 1$ )
- Not easy to put the limit between the Halo model and the Halo Occupation distribution model
- HOD is a logical extension of the halo model to relate dark matter and baryonic matter

## Halo model

- Main assumption: **all matter is contained in dark matter haloes**
- Can describe many different observational probes:
  - the large and small scale distribution of galaxies (which constrain the dark matter distribution)
  - the weak gravitational lensing (which provides a direct detection of the dark matter density field)
  - the distribution of the pressure on large scales given by the Sunyaev Zel'dovich effect
  - the signature on small angular fluctuations on the CMB of the density, velocity, momentum and pressure fields of the dark or/and baryonic matter

## Halo model

- Review “[Halo models of large scale structure](#)” by Cooray & Sheth 2002
- The halo model is a formalism to describe the **non-linear gravitational clustering ( $\delta \gg 1$ )**
- The distribution of matter and the distribution of velocities inside the haloes with the number and spatial distribution of these dark-matter haloes are used to estimate the statistics of the large scale structure of the density and velocity fields as a consequence of the non-linear gravitational clustering

# Halo model

- Review “[Halo models of large scale structure](#)” (Bouchet & Sonechkin 2002)
- The halo model is a formalism to describe **gravitational clustering** and **linear bias**
- The distribution of matter is described by the distribution of dark-matter haloes with the number of haloes are used to predict the evolution of velocities inside the haloes. The distribution of these dark-matter fields as a consequence of the non-linear gravitational clustering

Recent overview (2023): [The halo model for cosmology: a pedagogical review](#)

# Halo model

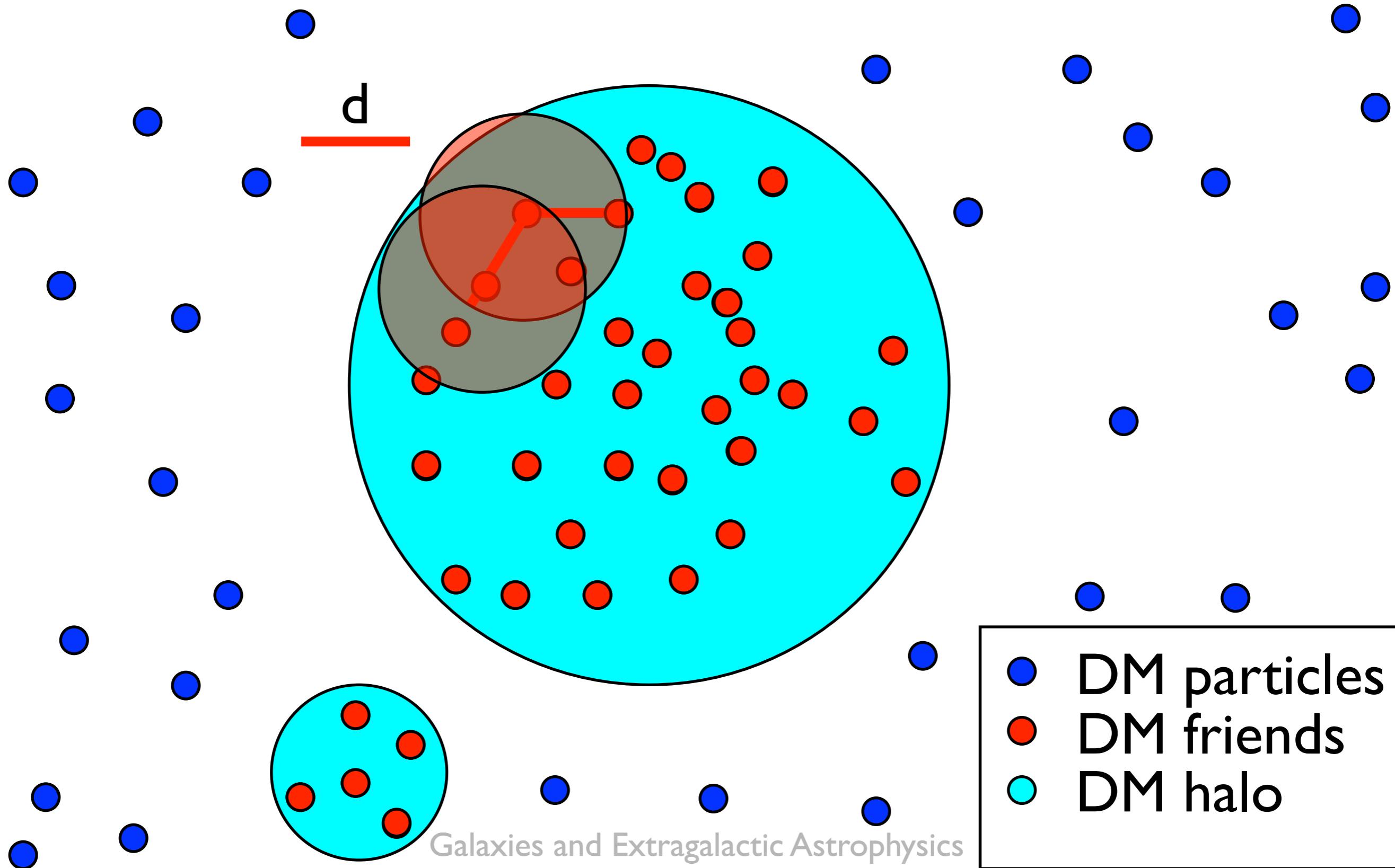
- To describe the DM clustering (following Martinez & Saar 2002):
  1. Population of virialized DM haloes sampling the large-scale linear density field (position and velocity)
  2. Mass density profile of the haloes
  3. Concentration parameter
  4. Halo mass function
  5. Halo bias function

# Dark matter haloes

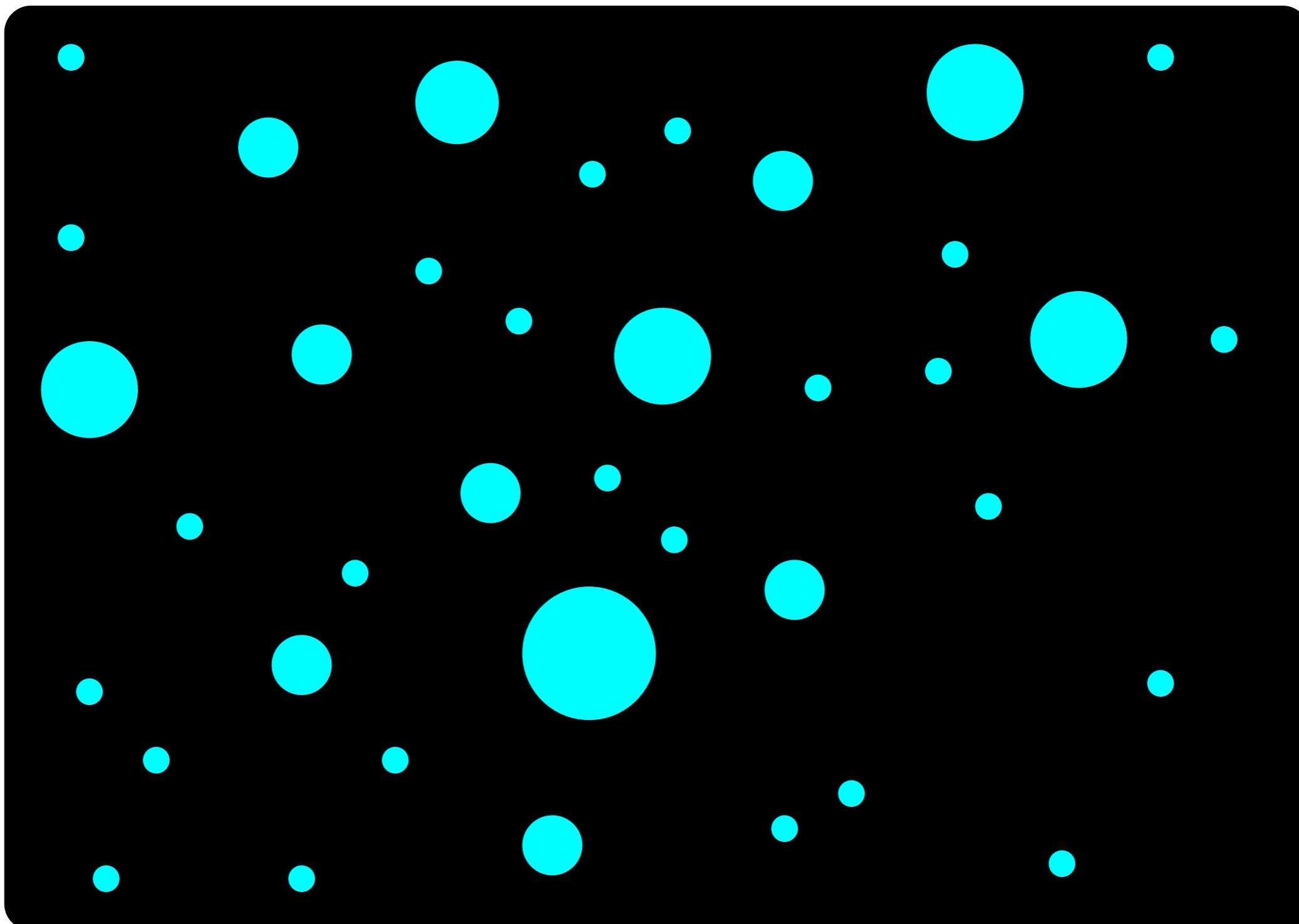
- What defines a DM halo? Two main different methods:
  - Friends-of-Friends algorithm (FoF, e.g. Davis et al. 1985a)
  - Spherical overdensity method (SO, e.g. Warren et al. 1992)
- If dark matter haloes can be distinguished it is reasonable to assume that they are small in comparison with the common separation between them
- Two different regimes depending on the scale (even two different physics)

HOD

## Friends of friends (FoF)



# Halo population



# MICE simulations

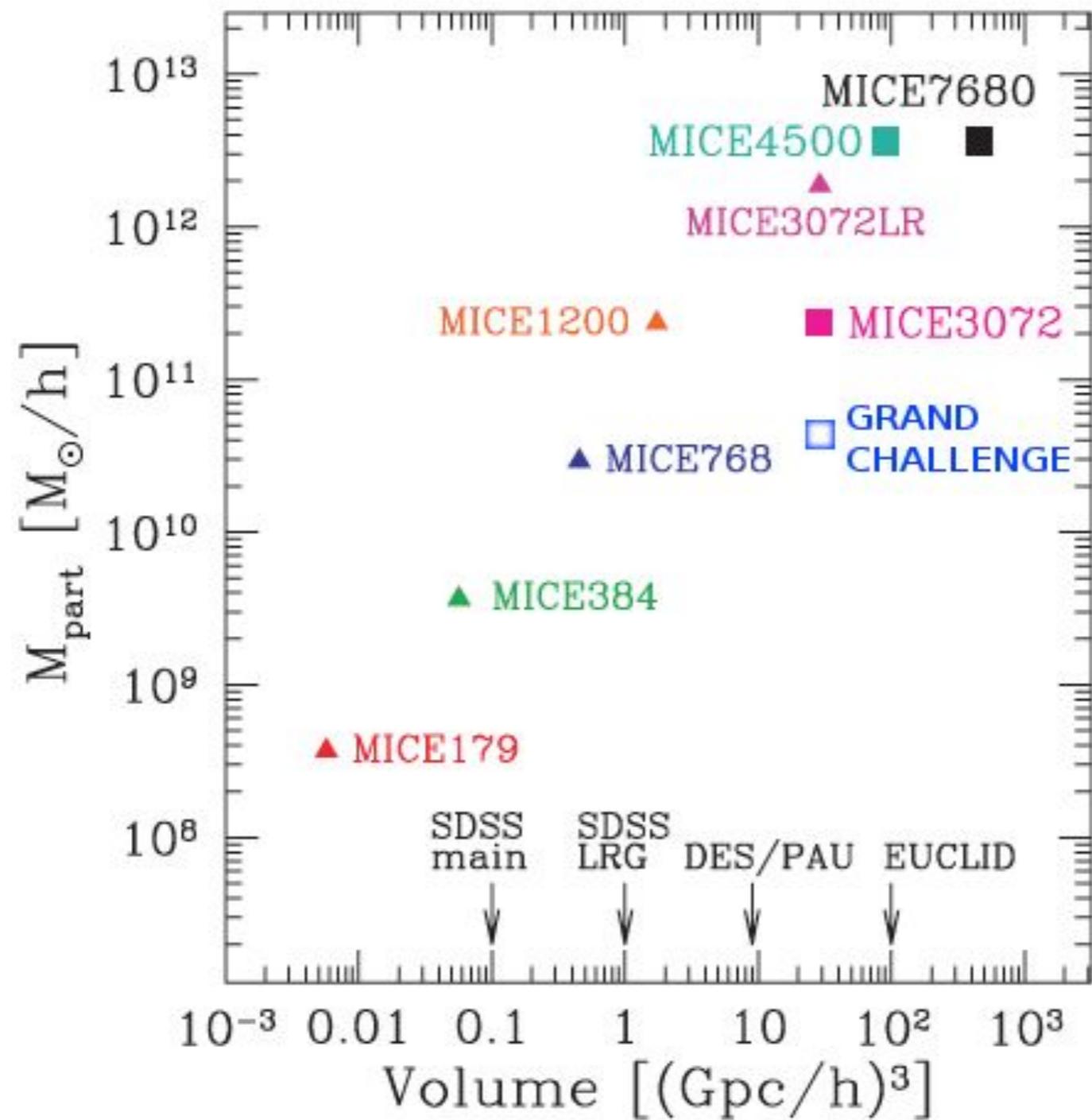


- Set of different DM N-body simulations specially suited to study large scale structure of the Universe
- Cosmological parameters:  $\Omega_m = 0.25$ ,  $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.75$ ,  $\Omega_k = 0$ ,  $\sigma_8 = 0.8$ ,  $n_s = 0.95$ ,  $h = 0.7$

# MICE simulations

Run	$L_{box}/h^{-1} Mpc$	$N_{part}$	$m_p/h^{-1} M_\odot$	$l_{soft}/h^{-1} Kpc$	$z_i$
GRAND CHALLENGE	3072	$4096^3$	$2.93 \times 10^{10}$	50	100
MICE7680	7680	$2048^3$	$3.66 \times 10^{12}$	50	150
MICE3072	3072	$2048^3$	$2.34 \times 10^{11}$	50	50
MICE4500	4500	$1200^3$	$3.66 \times 10^{12}$	100	50
MICE3072LR*	3072	$1024^3$	$1.87 \times 10^{12}$	50	50
MICE768*	768	$1024^3$	$2.93 \times 10^{10}$	50	50
MICE384*	384	$1024^3$	$3.66 \times 10^9$	50	50
MICE179*	179	$1024^3$	$3.70 \times 10^8$	50	50
MICE1200* (x20)	1200	$800^3$	$2.34 \times 10^{11}$	50	50

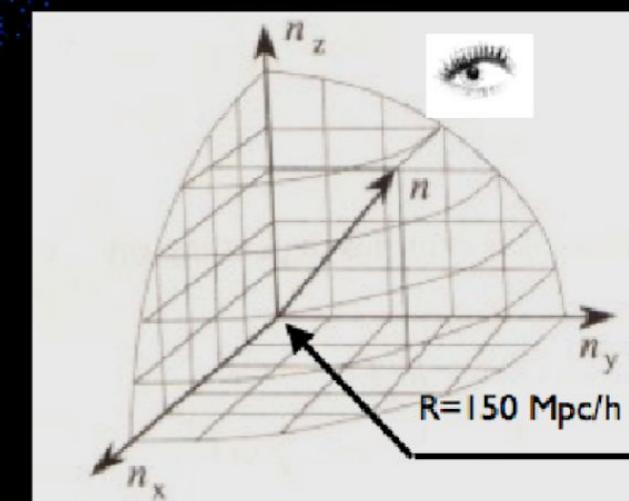
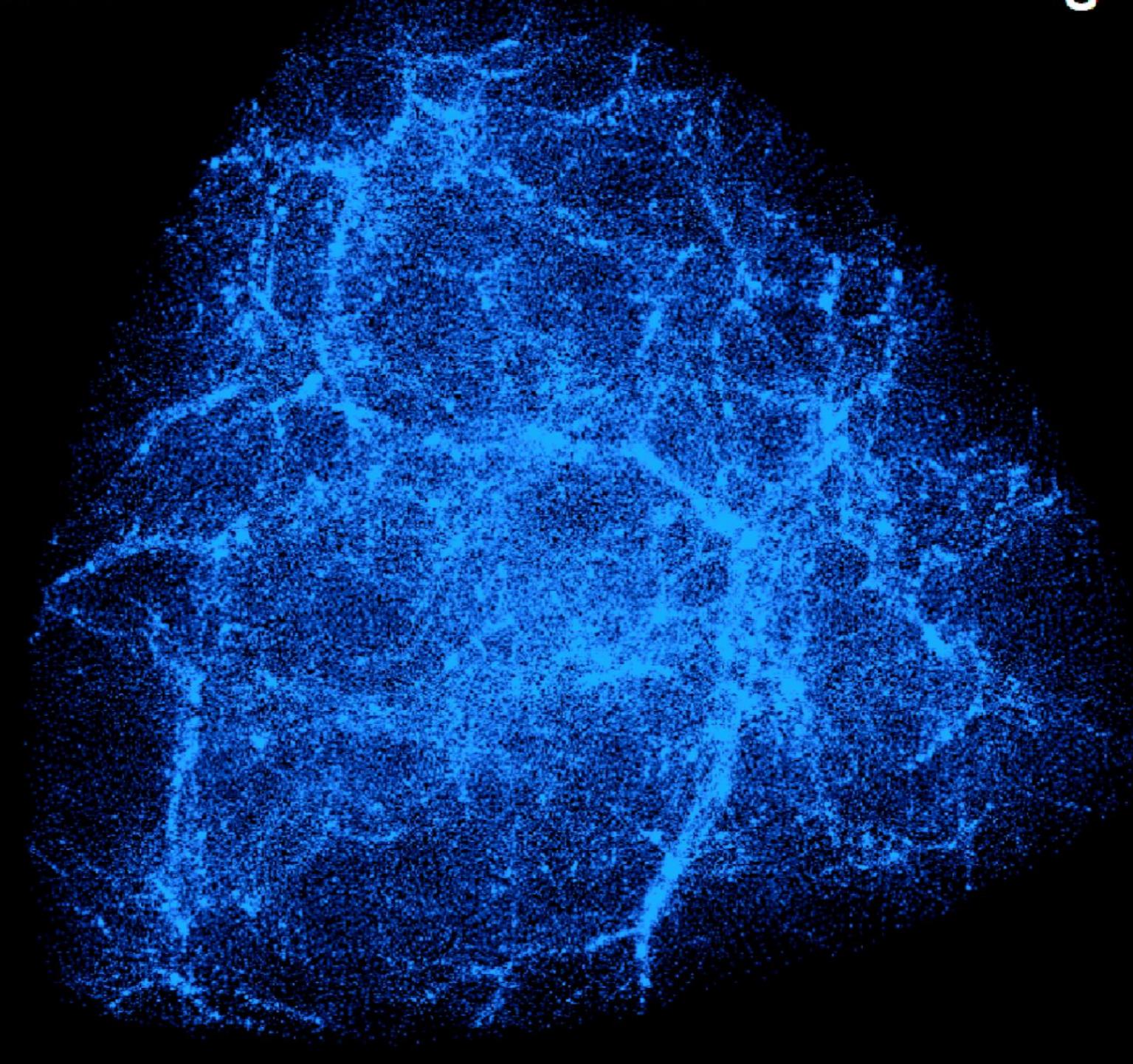
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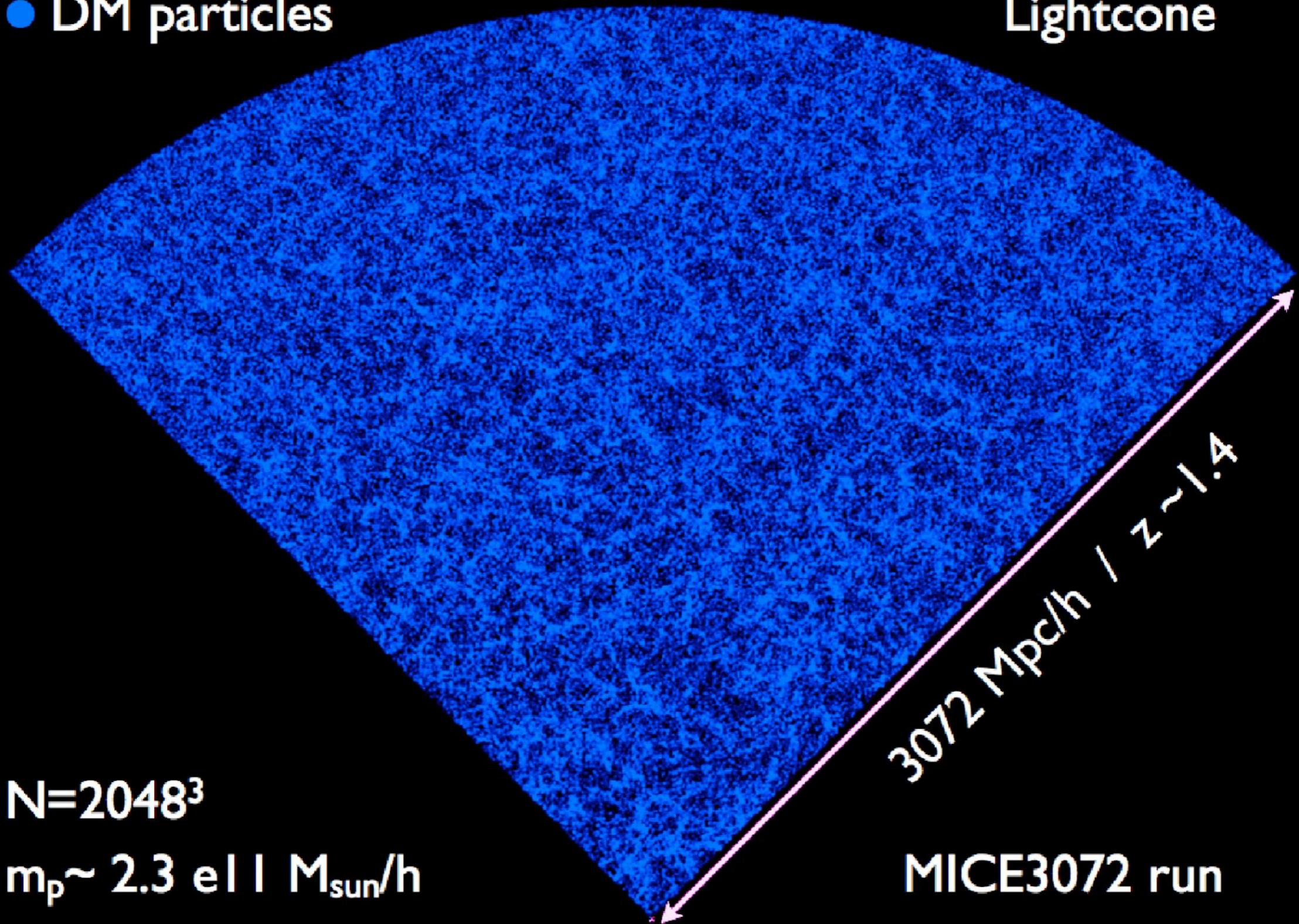
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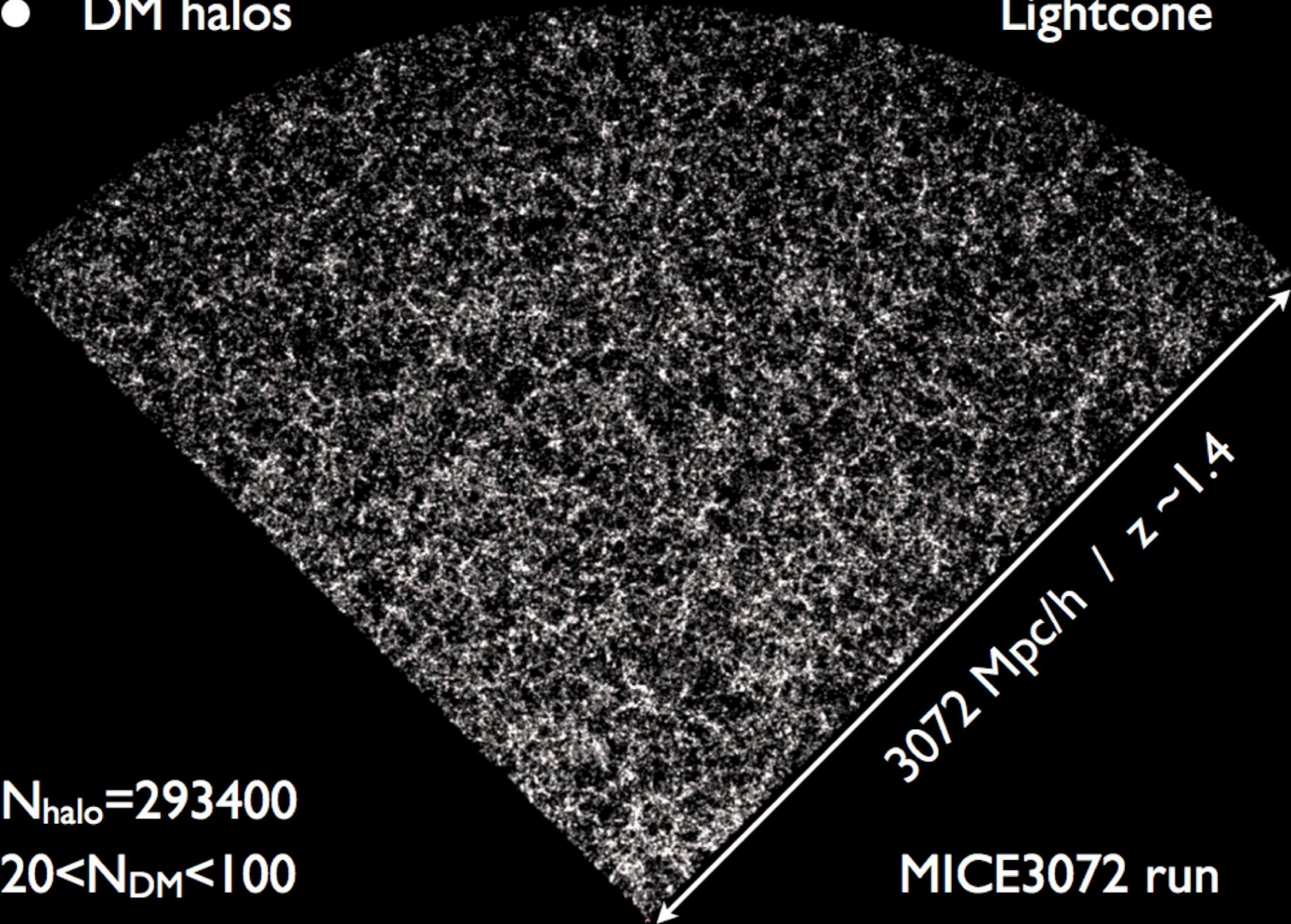
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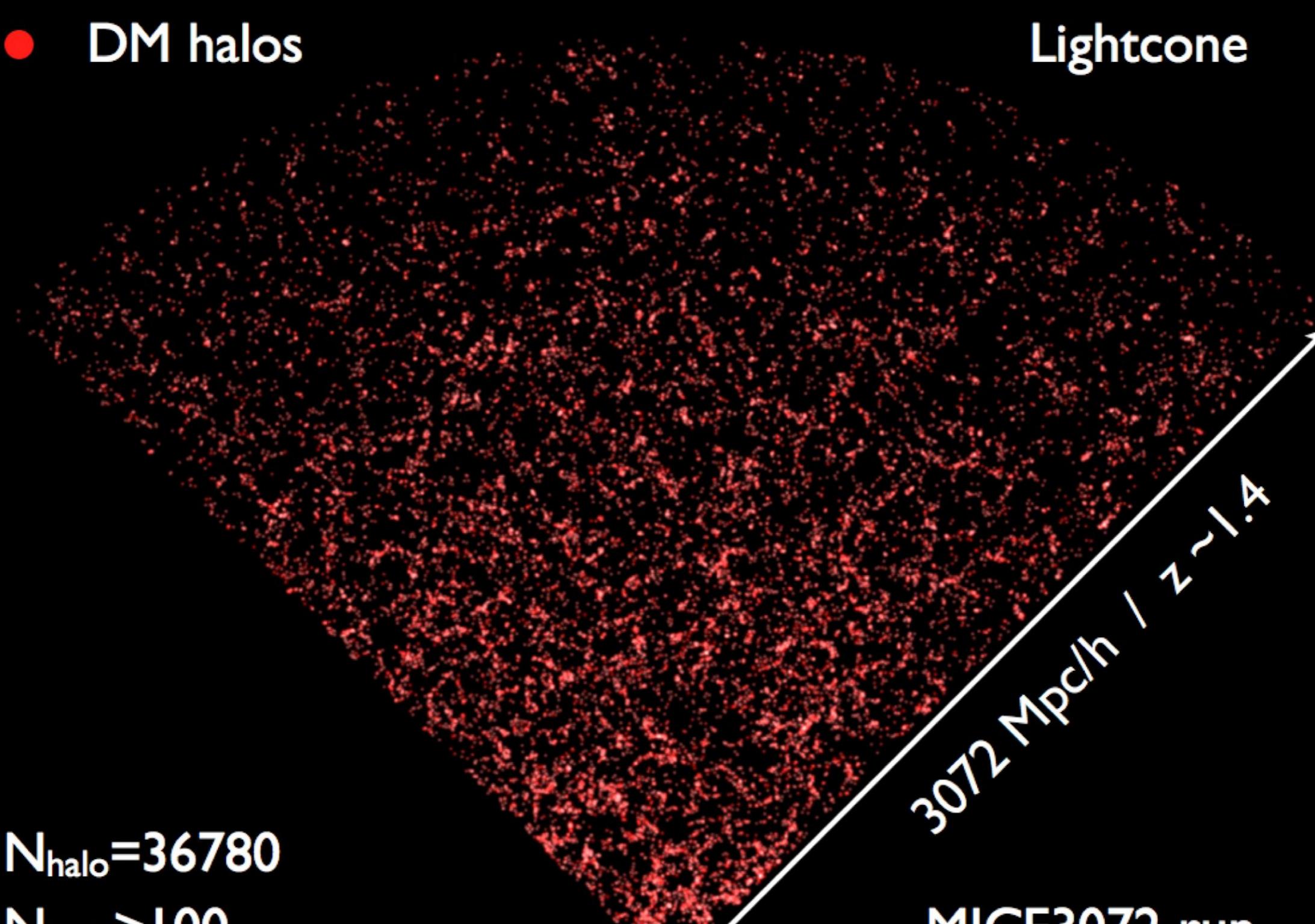


- DM halos

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$N_{\text{halo}} = 36780$   
 $N_{\text{DM}} > 100$

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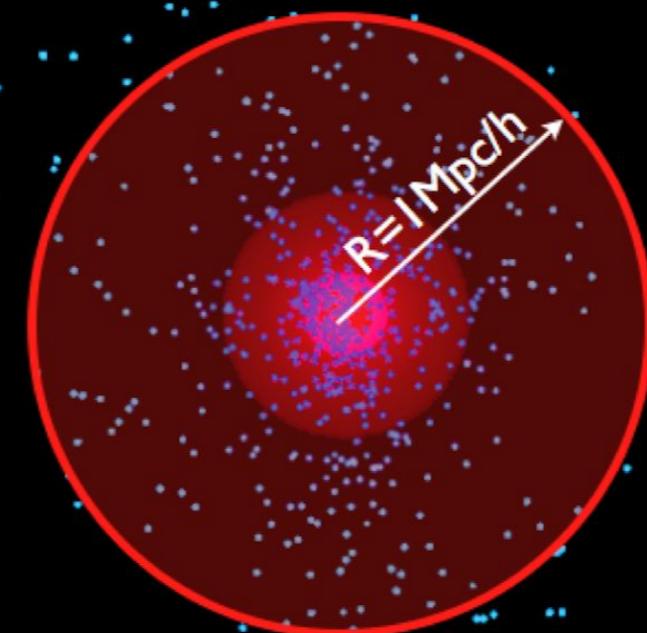
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- DM particles
- DM halos  $N_{DM} < 100$
- DM halos  $N_{DM} > 100$

Lightcone



MICE3072 run

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# Statistics

- Two different regimes depending on the scale
- Statistics of the mass density field on small scales are mainly determined by the distribution of matter inside the haloes
- Halo mass density profiles are not relevant at scales larger than the size of a typical halo

$$\xi(r) \equiv <\delta(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} + r)> \quad \delta(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\rho(\mathbf{x}) - \bar{\rho}}{\bar{\rho}}$$

$$\xi(r) = \xi^{1h}(r) + \xi^{2h}(r)$$

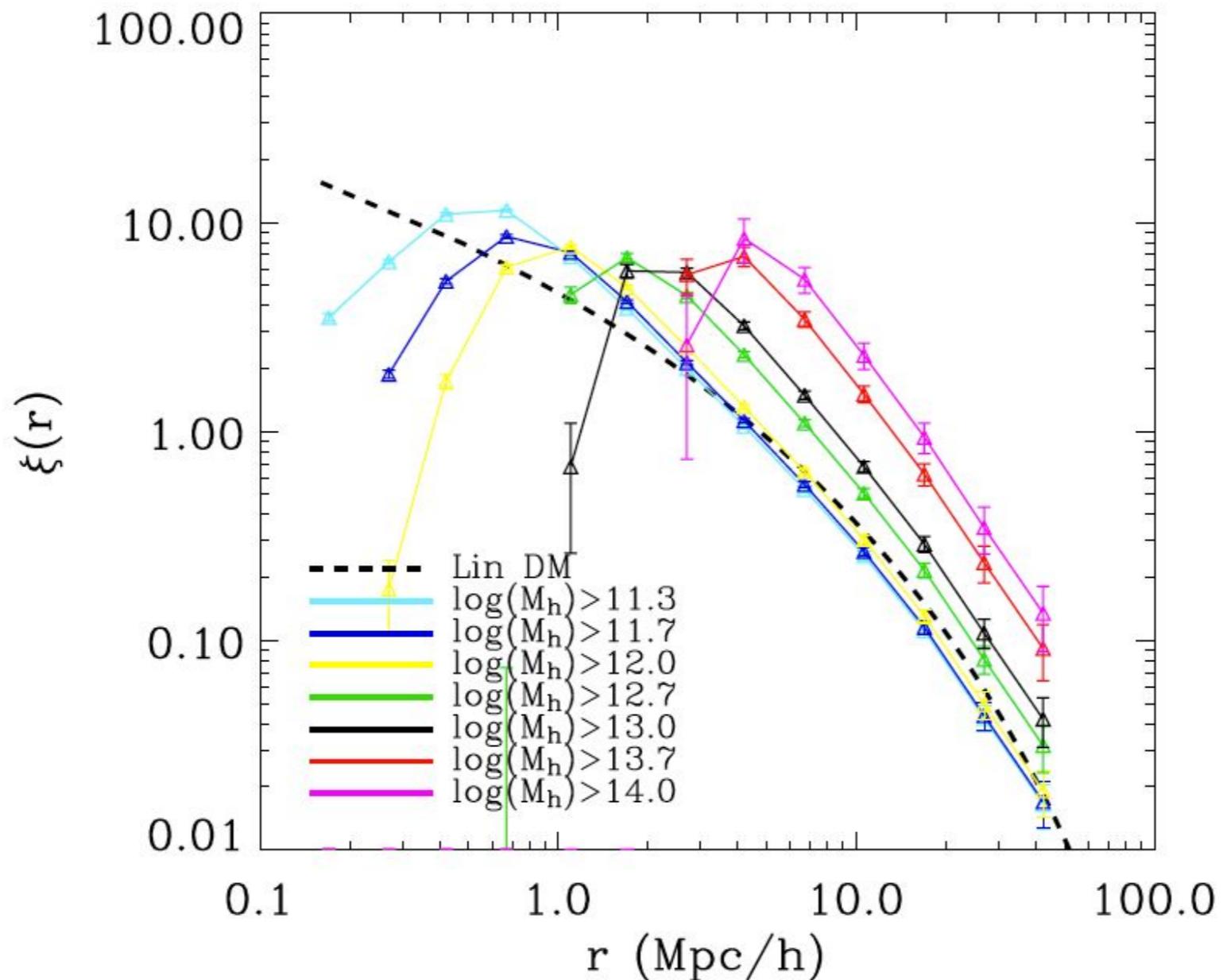
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- Two different regimes depending on the scale
- Statistics of the mass density field on scales larger than the size of a typical halo are mainly determined by the distribution of haloes
- Halo mass density profiles are universal at scales larger than the size of a typical halo

A comparison of estimators for the two-point correlation function (Kerscher, Szapudi & Szalay; 2000)

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# Halo spatial distribution



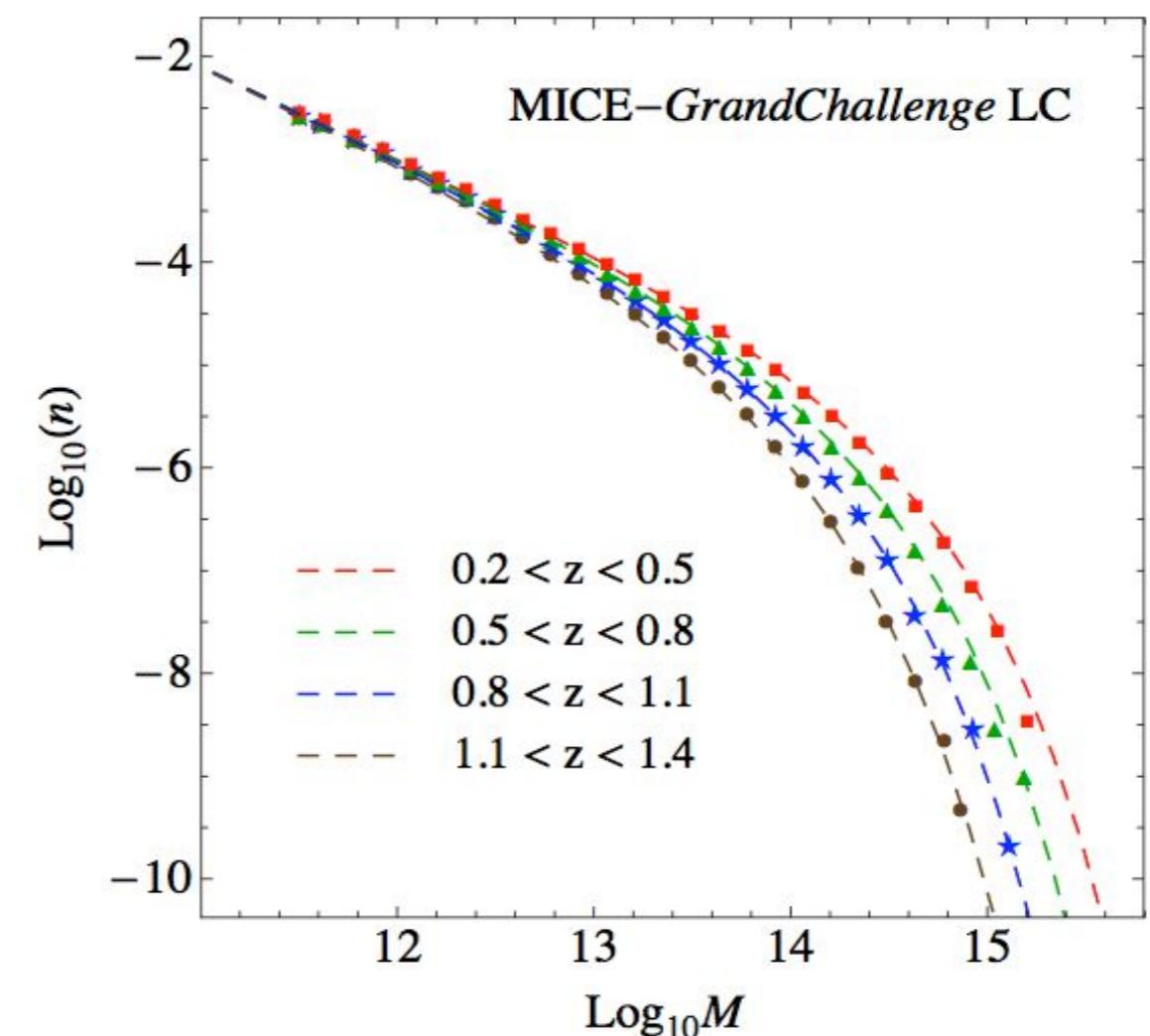
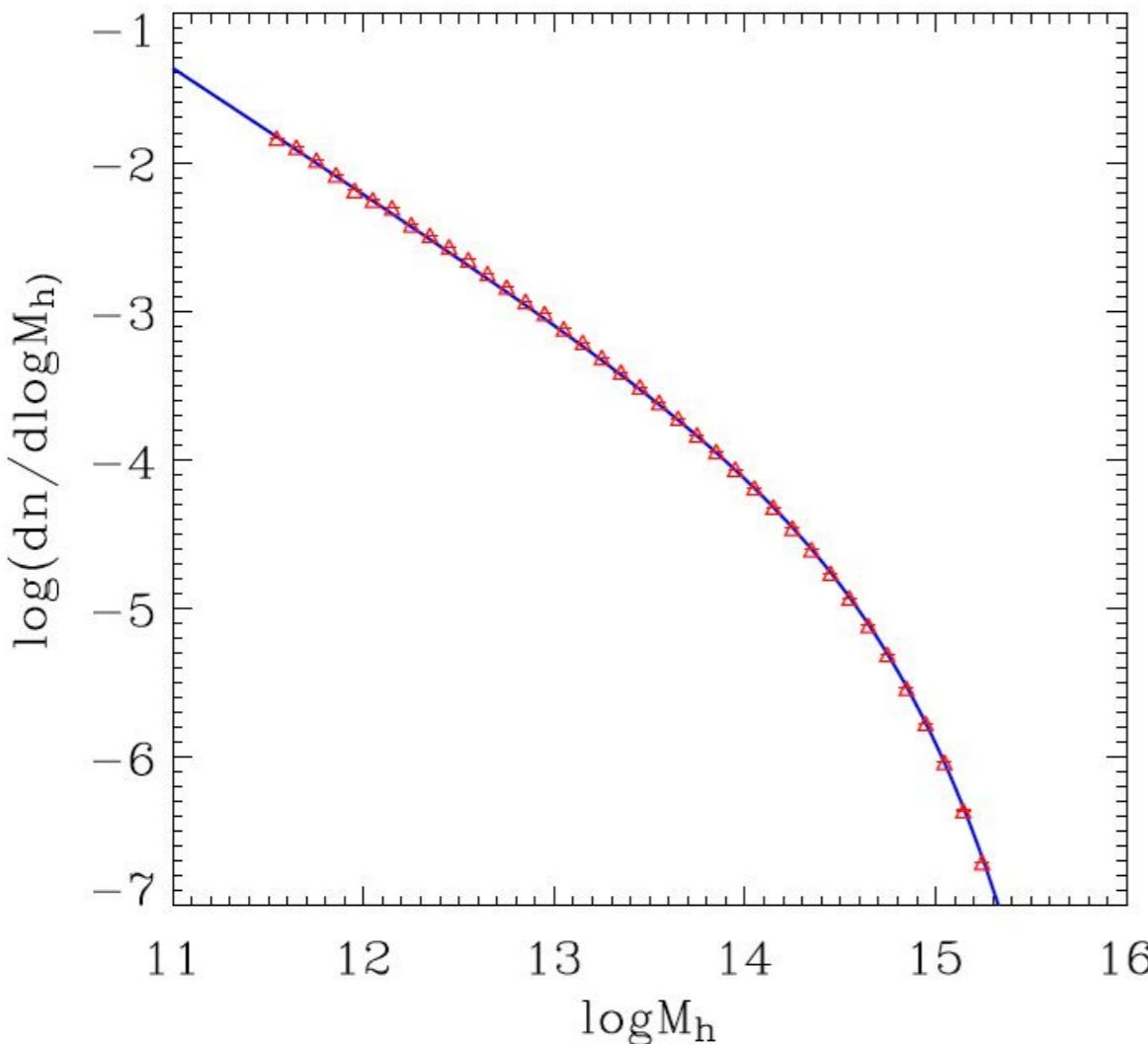
$$\xi_h(r) = \frac{DD(r)}{RR(r)} - 1$$

## Halo abundance

- The halo mass function gives the mean number density of haloes as a function of their mass
- Several analytical derivations and fits have been provided in the literature, e.g:
  - Press-Schechter formalism (1974)
  - Sheth & Tormen (1999), Jenkins et al. (2001)

$$f_{ST}(\nu) = A \sqrt{\frac{\alpha \nu^2}{2\pi}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{(\alpha \nu^2)^p} \right] \exp\left(\frac{-\alpha \nu^2}{2}\right)$$

# Halo Mass Function

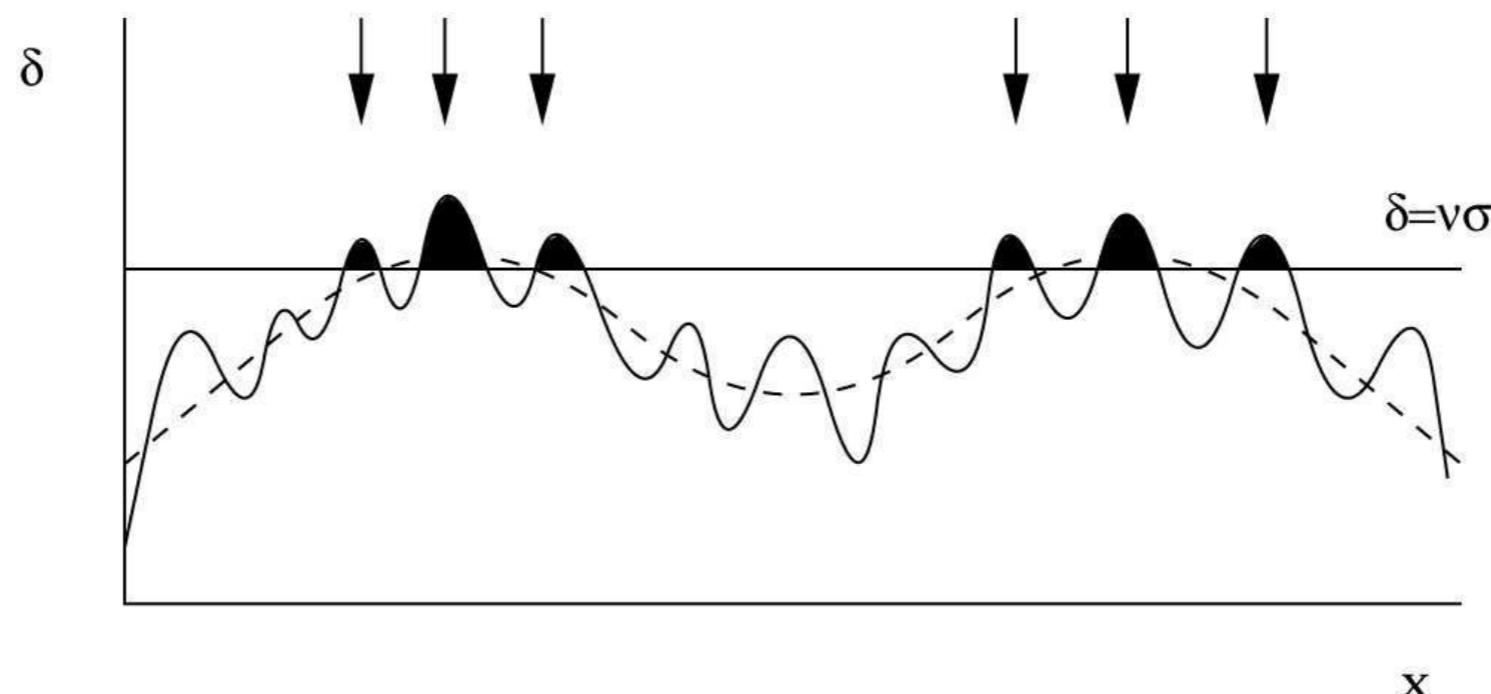


$$f(\sigma, z) = A(z) \left[ \sigma^{-a(z)} + b(z) \right] \exp \left[ -\frac{c(z)}{\sigma^2} \right]$$

ST-like MF

# Halo bias

- DM haloes are bias tracers of the underlying DM distribution
- The halo spatial distribution and the halo abundance are not independent (peak-background split)



# Halo bias

- Several analytical derivations or fits:
  - Mo & White 1996 (following the spherical collapse model):

$$b(\nu(M_h)) = 1 + \frac{\nu^2 - 1}{\delta_c}$$

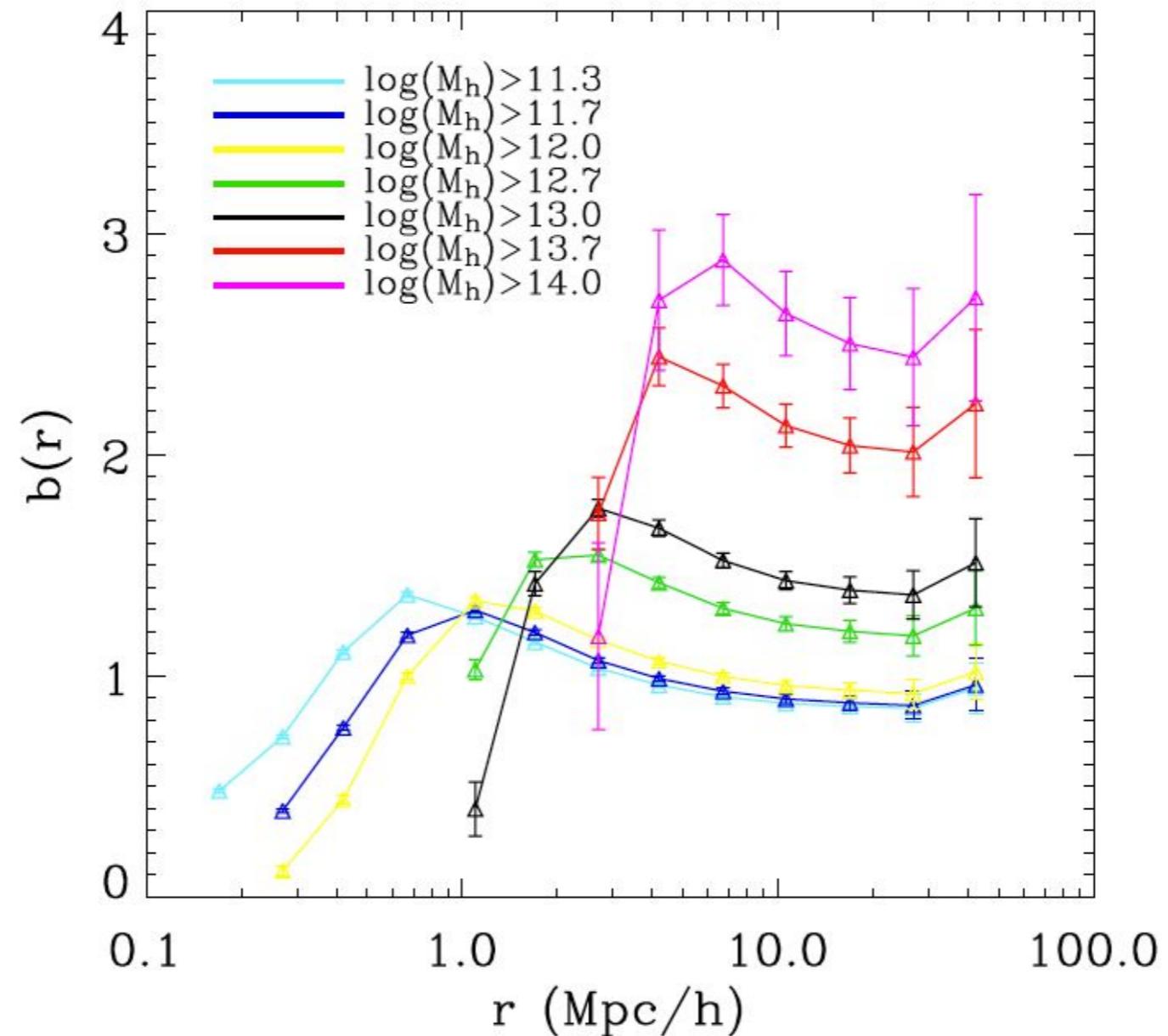
- Sheth & Tormen 1999 (more general form):

$$b(\nu(M_h)) = 1 + \frac{a\nu^2 - 1}{\delta_c} + \frac{2p}{\delta_c[1 + (a\nu^2)^p]}$$

- Manera et al. 2010 (using a Warren-form MF)

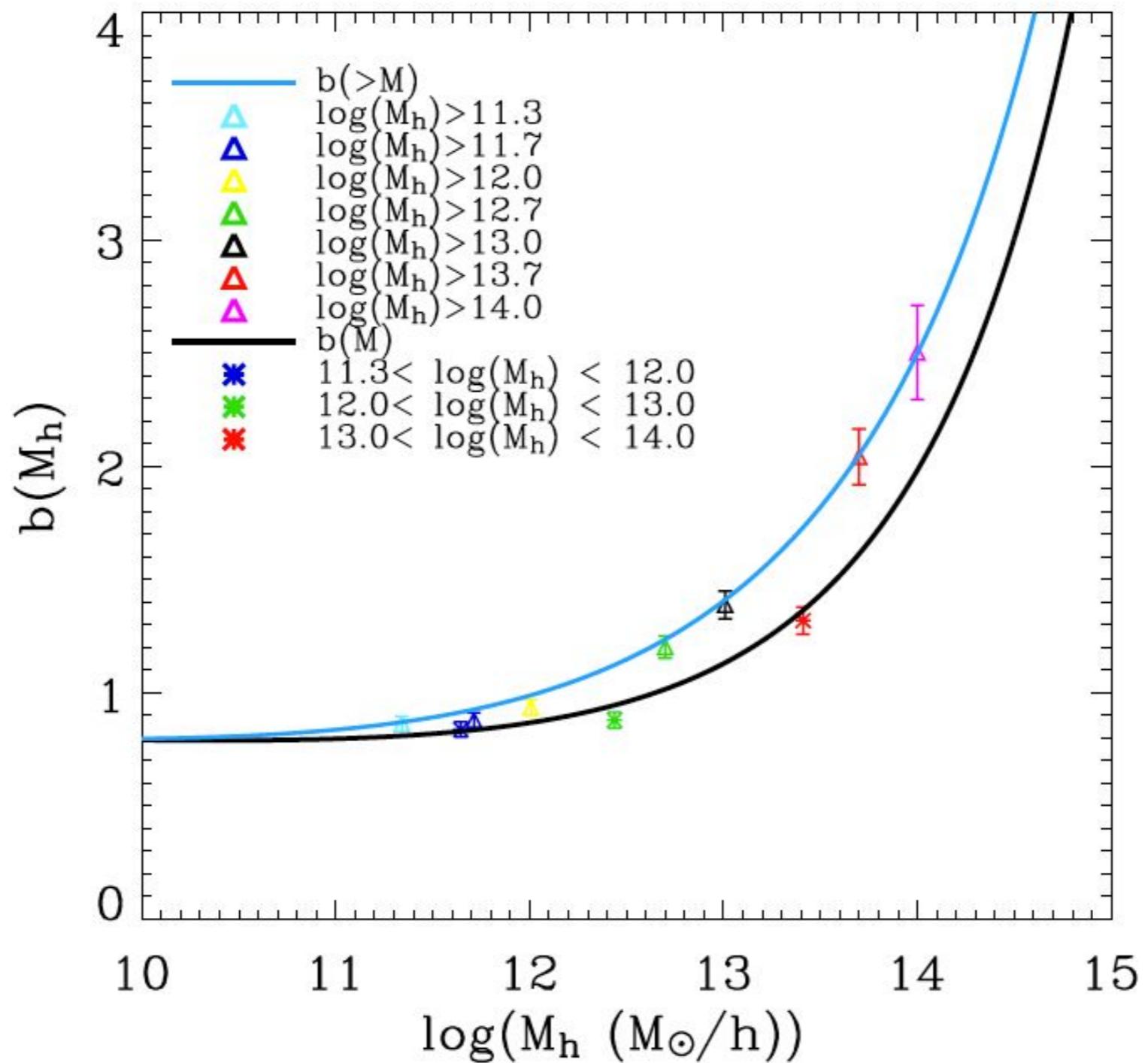
$$b^W(\nu(\sigma(M_h))) = 1 + \frac{c' \nu - 1}{\delta_c} + \frac{2a'b' + b' + (c' \nu)^{a'}}{\delta_c (b' + (c' \nu)^{a'})}$$

# Halo bias

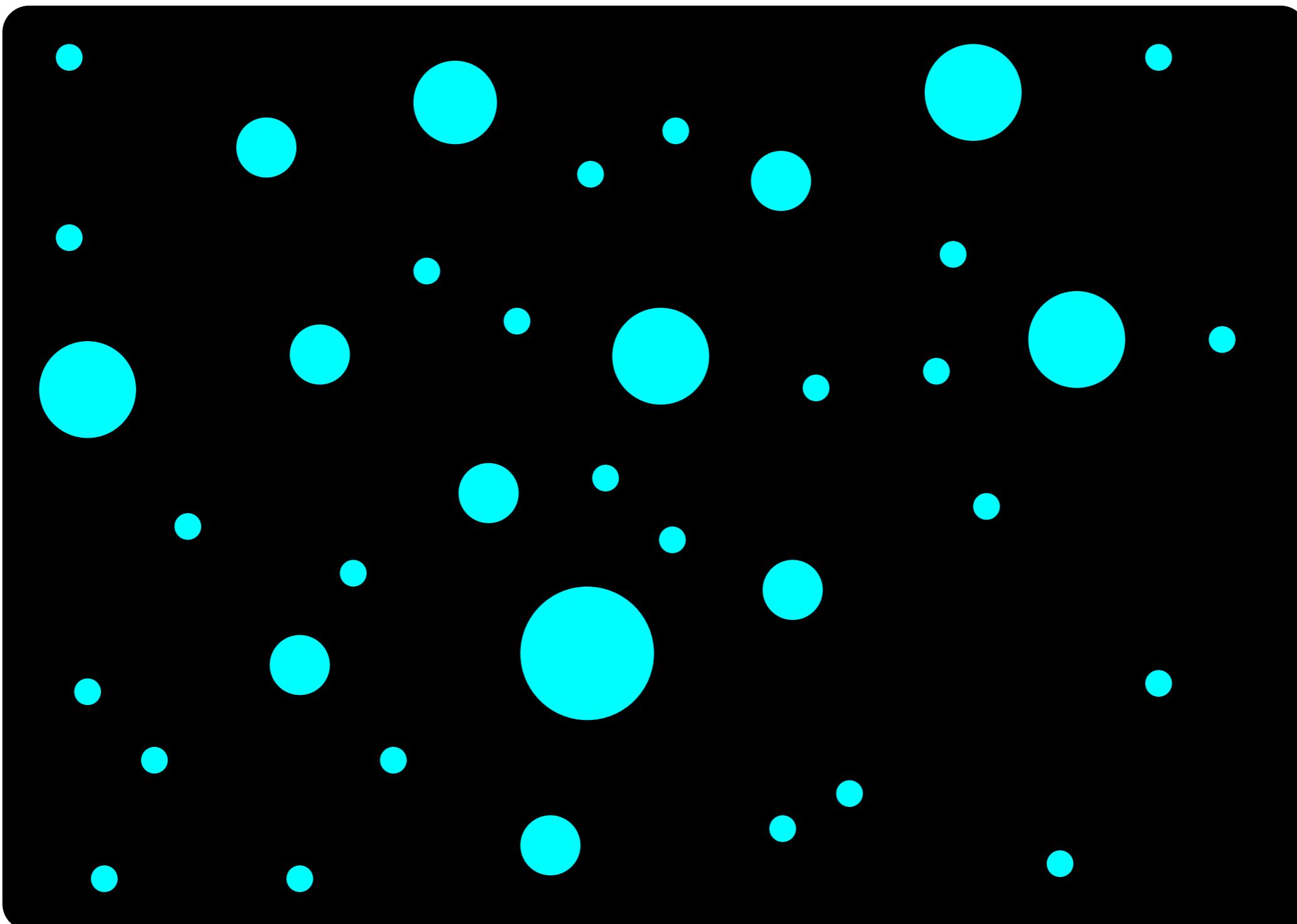


$$\xi_h(r) = (b_h^{Lin})^2 \xi_{DM}(r)$$

# Halo bias



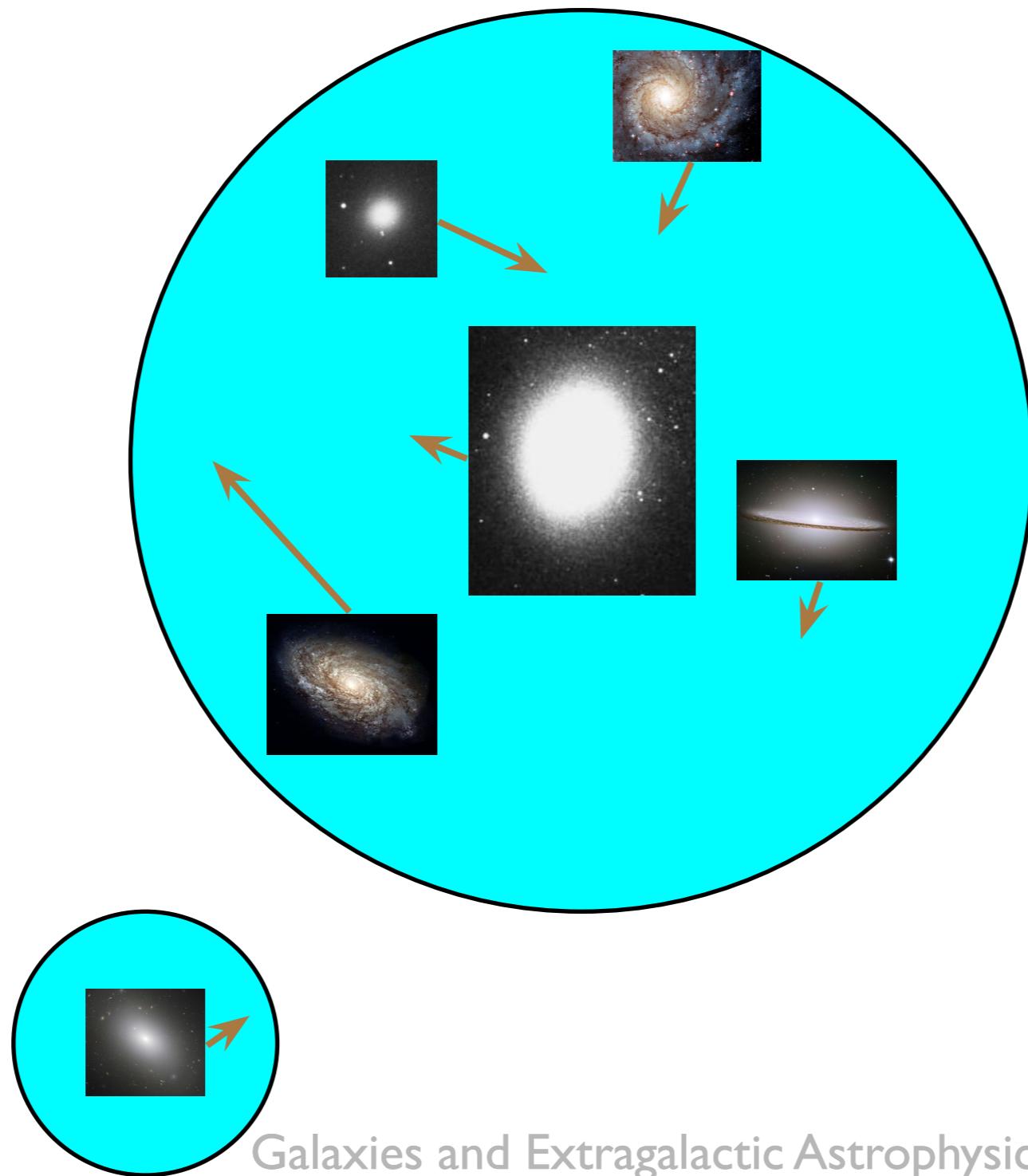
# Halo catalogue



# HOD

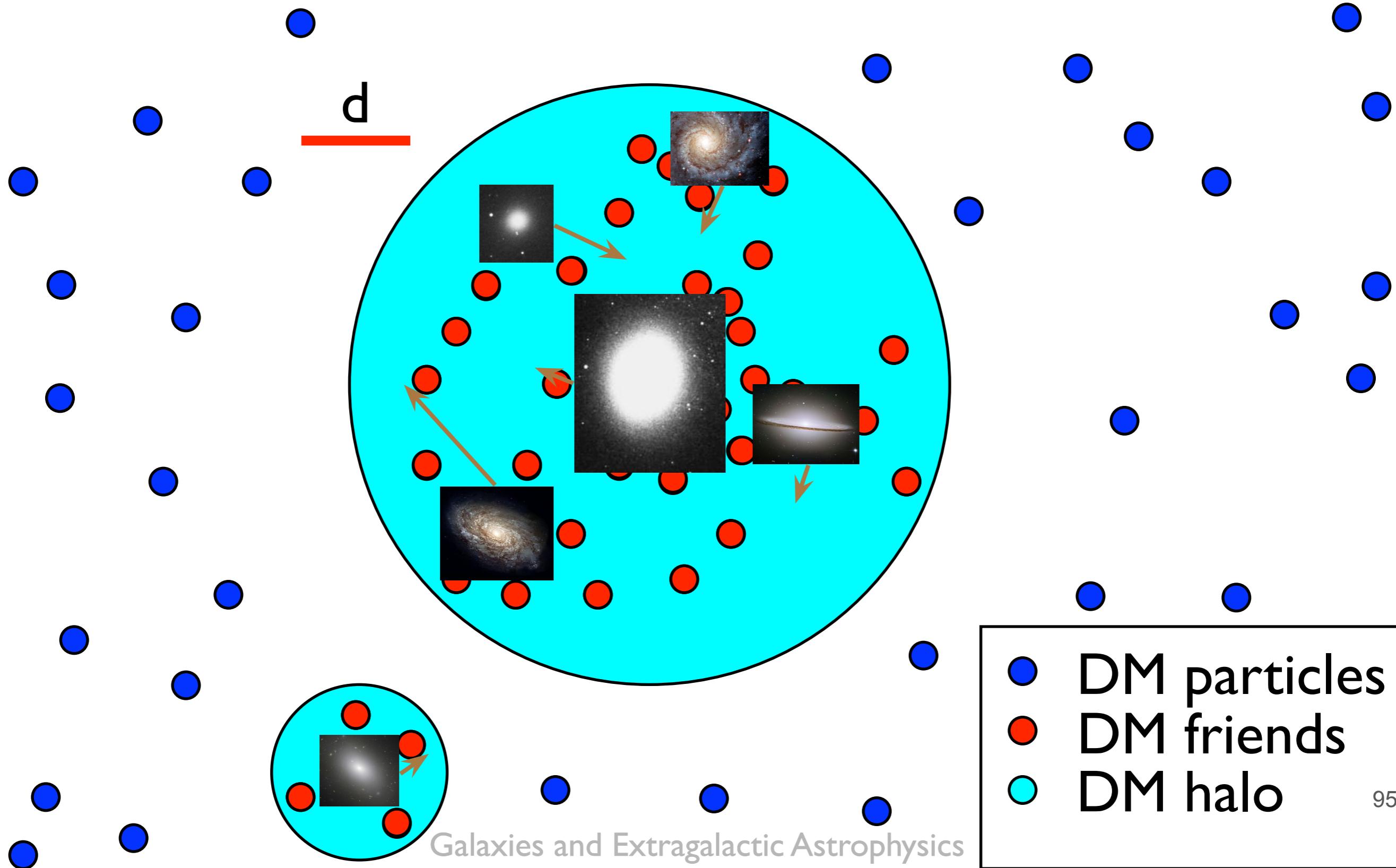
- Relate dark matter and galaxies, “galaxy bias”, (following Martinez & Saar 2002):
  6. Probability that a DM halo contains  $N_g$  galaxies
  7. Relation between the galaxy and the DM spatial distribution
  8. Relation between the galaxy and the DM velocity distribution

## FoF



HOD

## FoF + HOD



## Number of galaxies

- Galaxies separated into centrals or satellites
- $P(N_{\text{gal}} | M_h)$ , different functional forms and number of free parameters, e.g.:

$$N_{\text{gal}}(> L_r | M_h) = 1 + \left[ \frac{M_h}{M_1(L_r)} \right]^\alpha \quad \text{if } M_h \geq M_{\min}(L_r)$$

- $M_{\min}$ , minimum mass to form a galaxy
- $M_1$ , mass that on average the halo contains 1 satellite galaxy
- $\alpha$ , related to the galaxy formation efficiency
- HOD parameters provide physical meaning (Berlind & Weinberg 2002)

# Galaxy spatial distribution

- Different possibilities to place galaxies inside the DM haloes, e.g.:
  - DM particles of the halo “are” galaxies
  - Galaxies follow a NFW density profile (from N-body simulations)
- Mainly affects the small scales of the two-point correlation function

# Galaxy velocity distribution

- Haloes are assumed to be virialized (virial theorem holds)
- Two main possibilities:
  - $v_{\text{gal}} = v_{\text{DM}}$
  - $v_{\text{gal}} = v_{\text{vir}} + v_{\text{halo}}$  (virial motions are well approximated by velocities that are independent Gaussians in each cartesian component with rms values that depends on  $M_h$ )

# Modeling $\xi_{\text{gal}}(r)$

- Two contributions: 1- and 2-halo terms
- 1-halo term: only galaxy pairs that reside in the same halo (small scales)
- 2-halo term: dominated by galaxies that reside in different haloes ( $>= 5 \text{Mpc}/h$ )
- 1 halo term: Appendix B of Tinker et al. 2005 (improved the halo exclusion effect)
- 2 halo term:  $P(k)$  (in Fourier space)

# Algorithm

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<http://arxiv.org/abs/1411.3286>
- Hybrid method: HOD + SHAM
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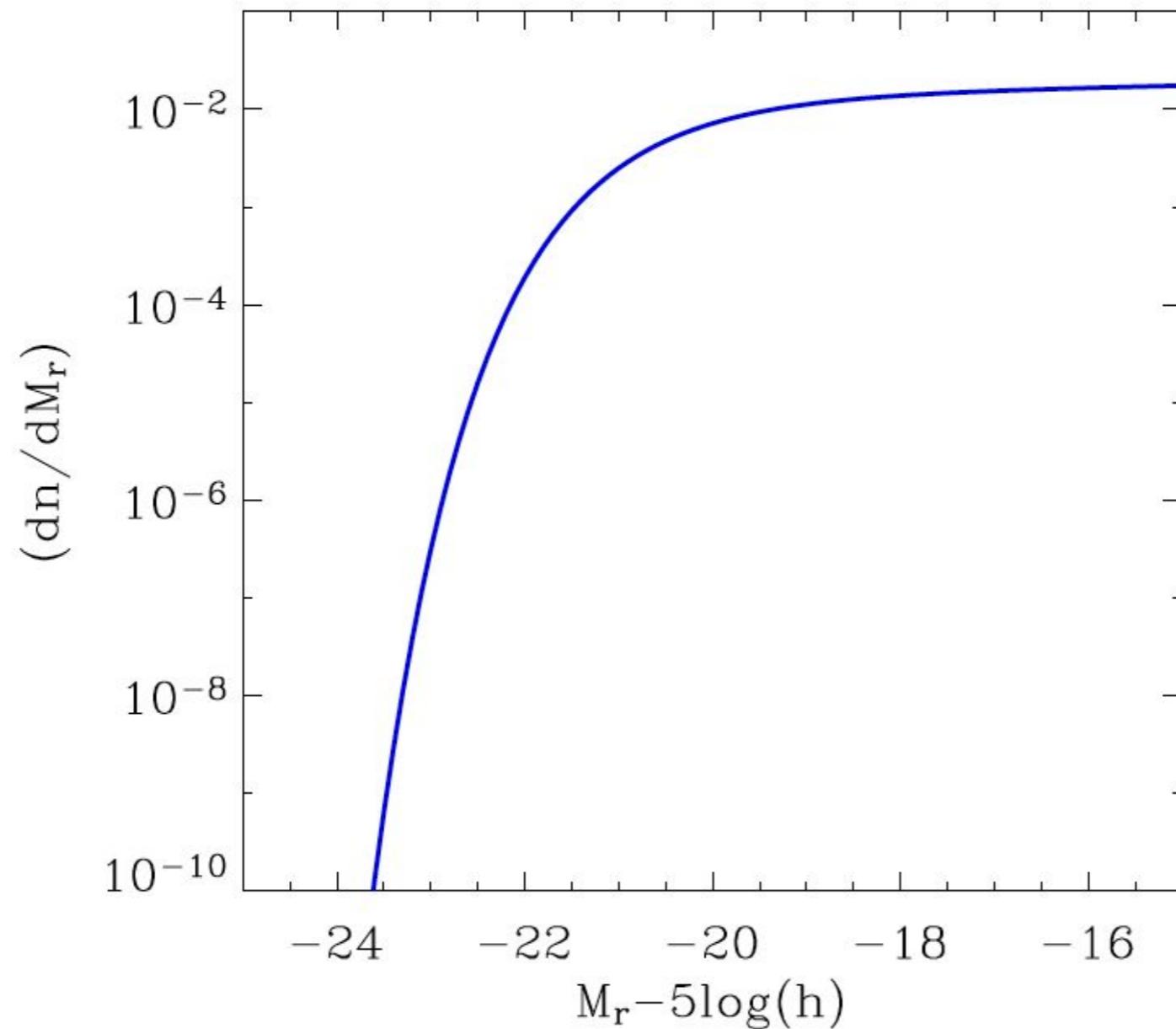
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**Updated algorithm in Castander et al. (2024)**

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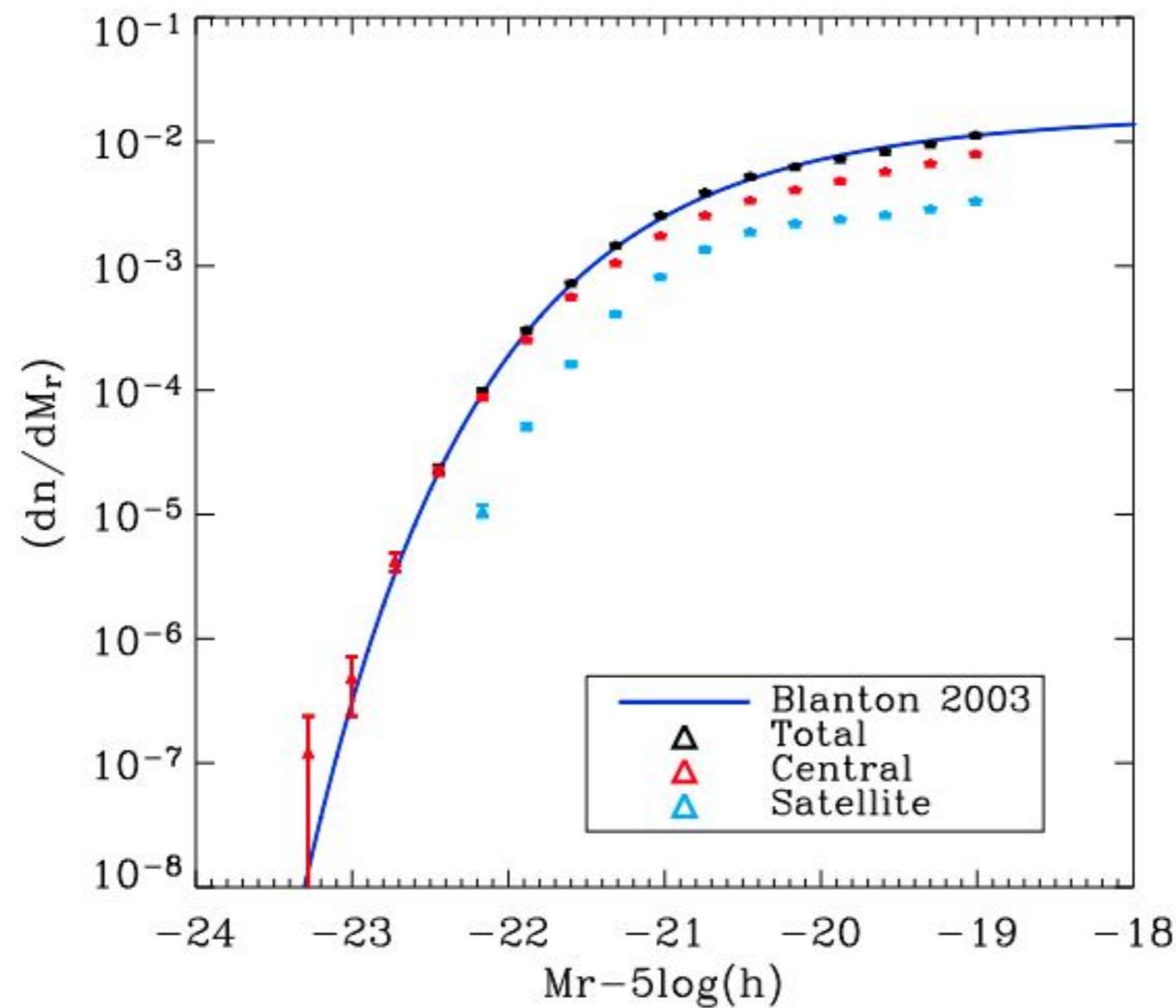
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## SDSS Schechter LF



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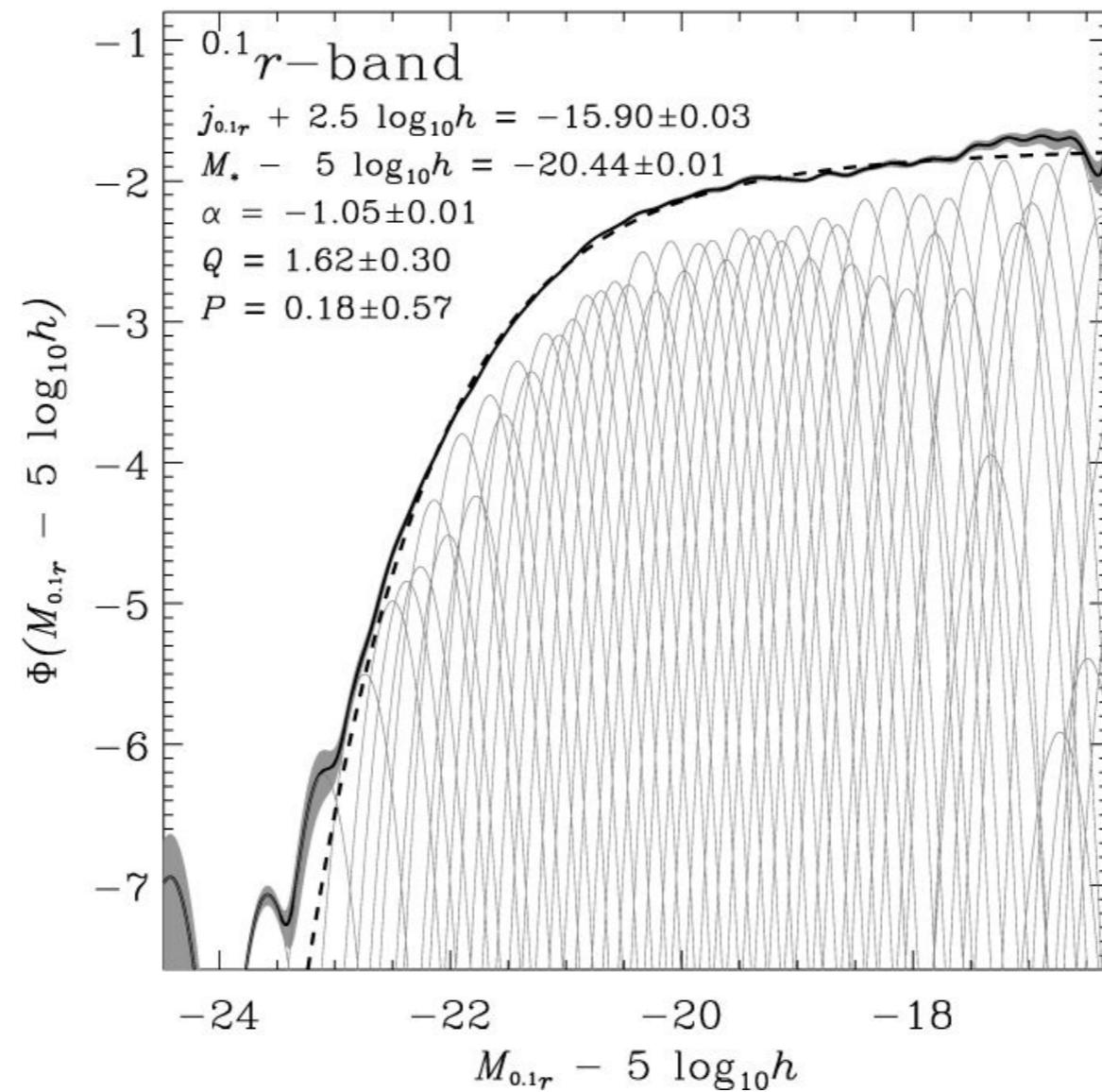
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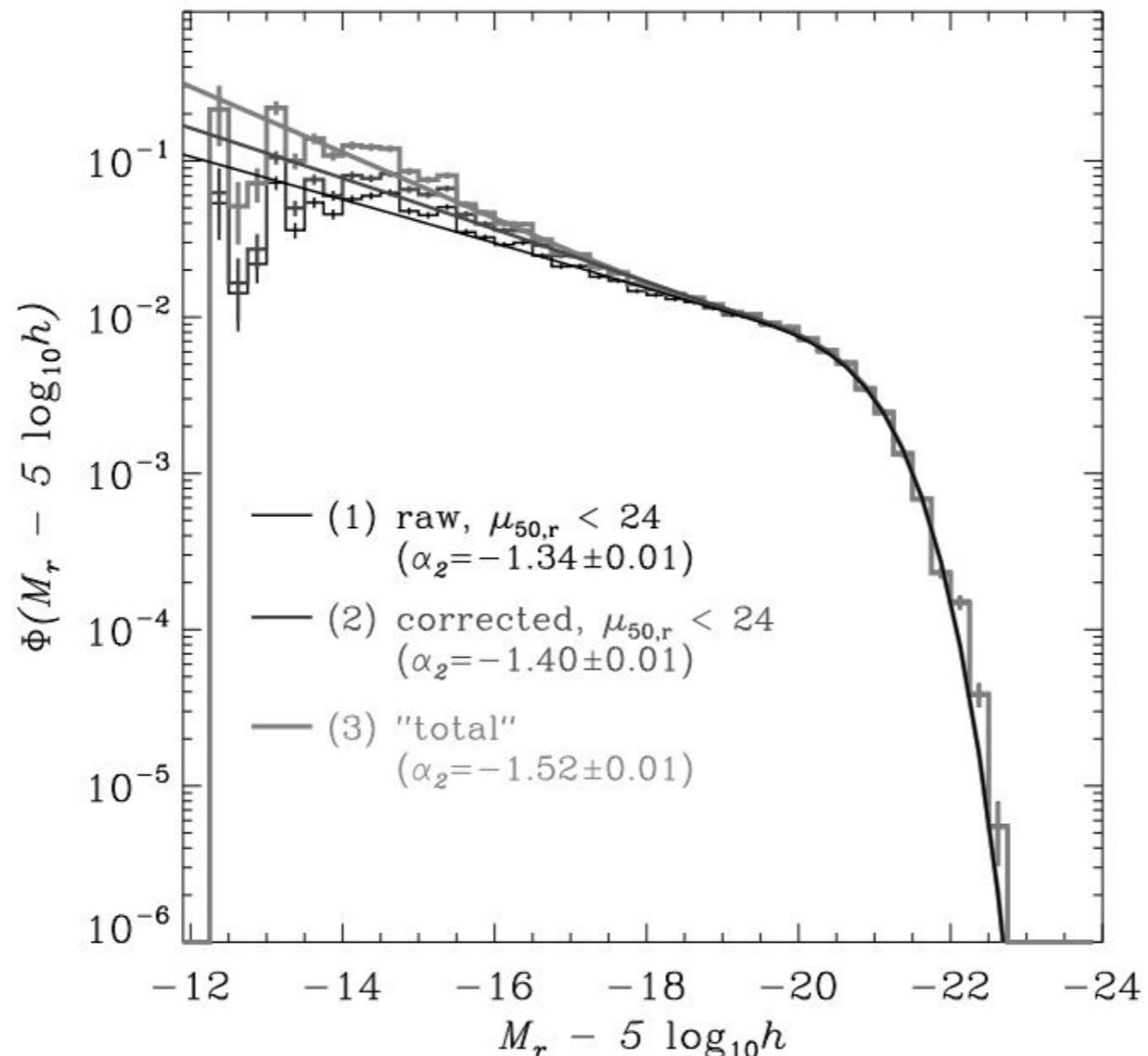
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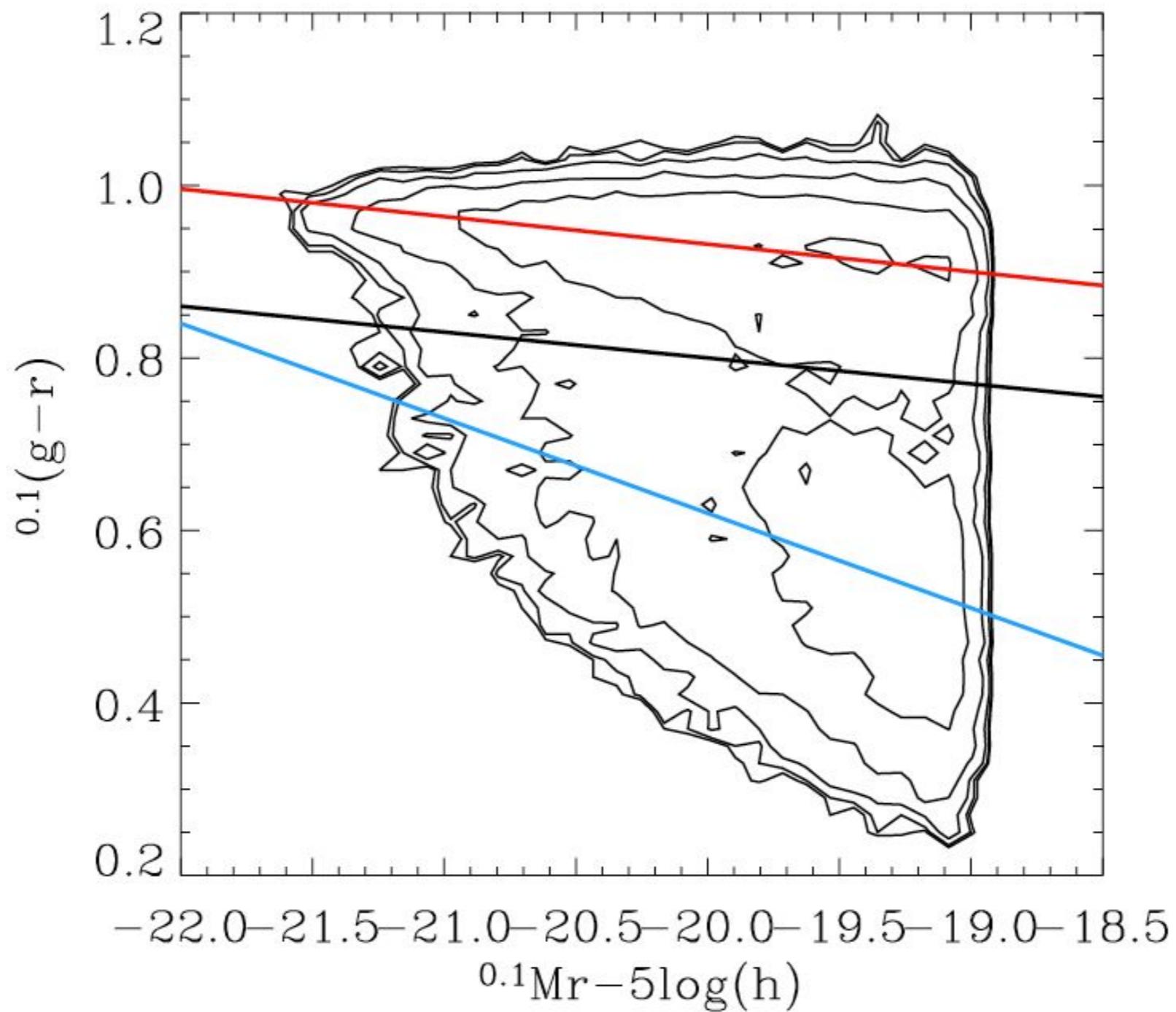
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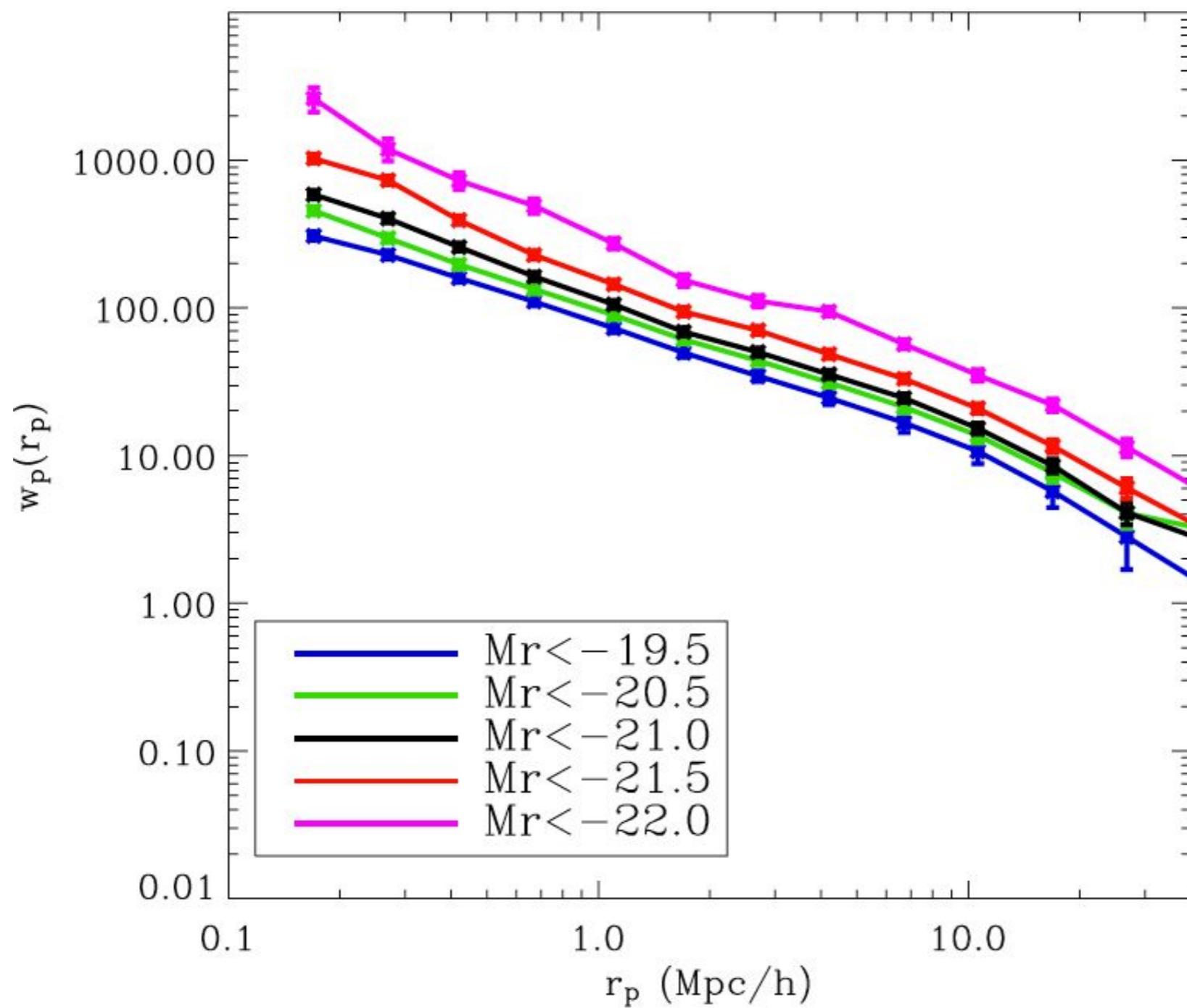
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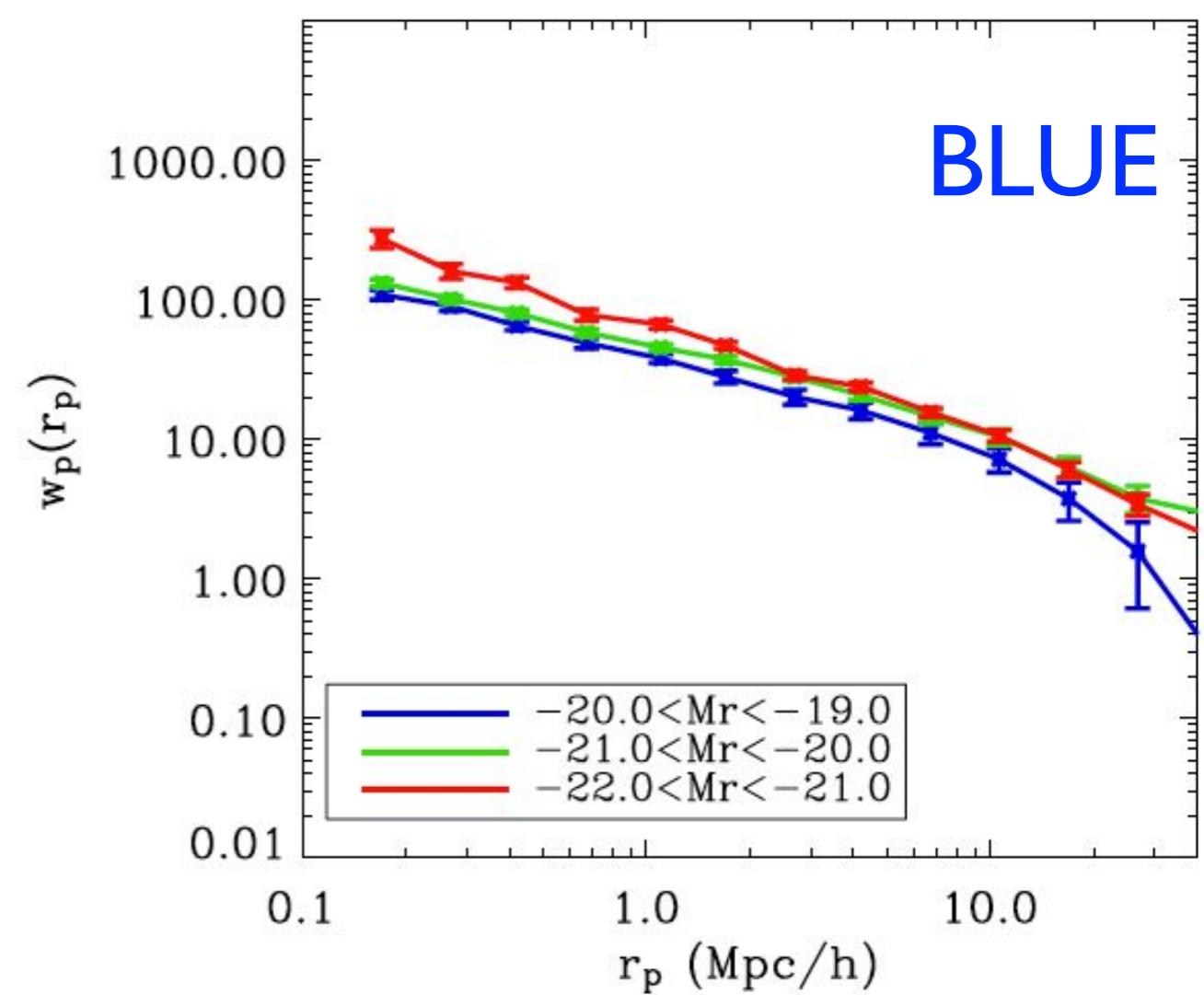
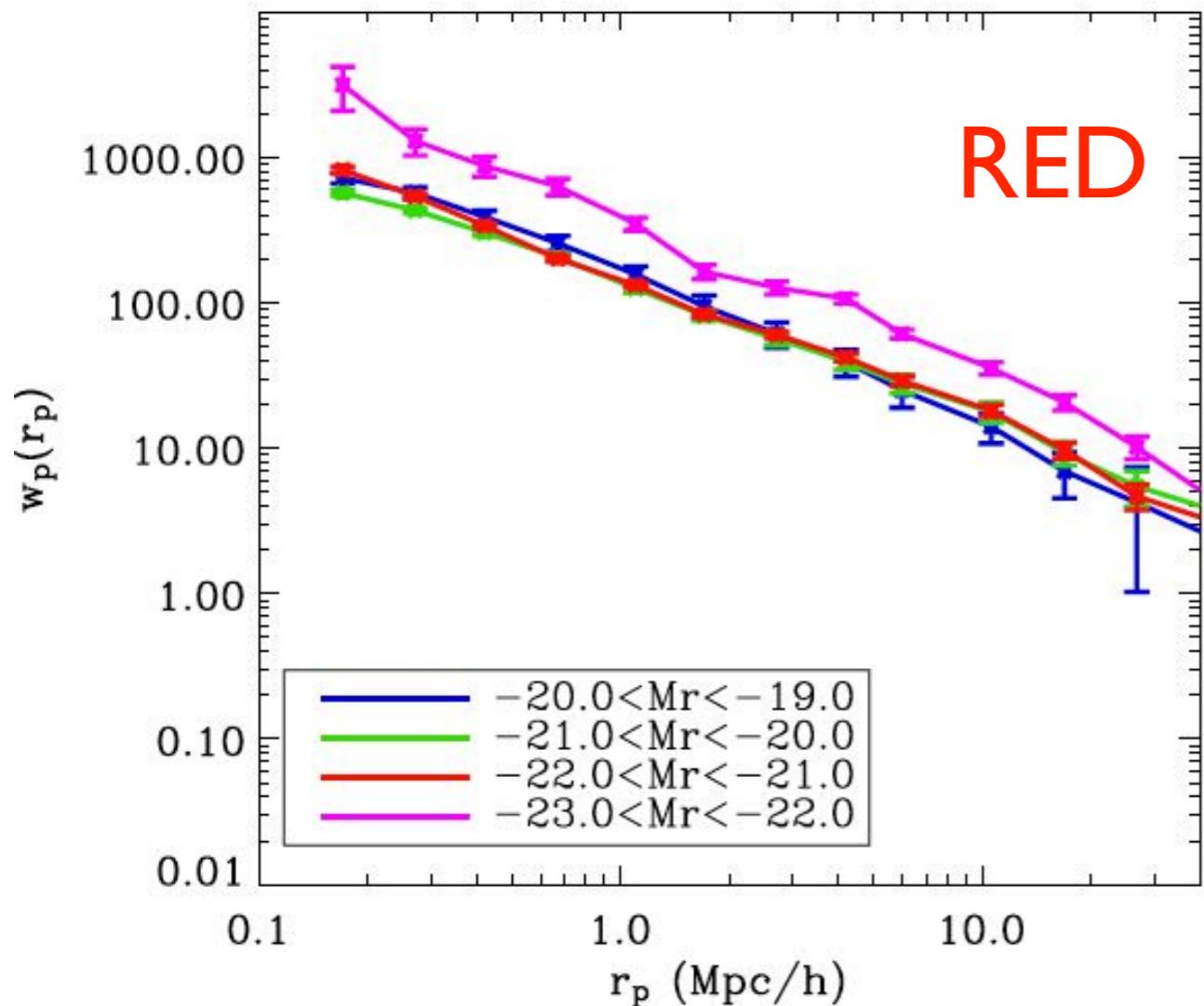


LF Blanton et al. 2005  
(faint-end)

## SDSS CM diagram



SDSS  $w_p(r_p) (< M_r)$ 

SDSS  $w_p(r_p)$  ( $\langle M_r | g-r \rangle$ )

## SHAM technique

1. Select haloes with  $M_h \geq M_{\min}$ . Each halo will have one central galaxy
2. Satellite galaxies follow a Poisson distribution with mean value  $N_{\text{sat}}(>L_{\min} | M_h)$
3. Assign galaxy luminosities (SHAM technique)
4. Place central galaxies at the center of their host haloes
5. Satellite galaxies follow a modified NFW density profile

# SHAM technique

- Simulation + set of HOD parameters:

$$n_{gal}(> M_{min}) = n_{cen}(> M_{min}) + n_{sat}(> M_{min})$$

$$n_{cen}(> M_{min}) = \int_{M_{min}}^{\infty} \frac{dn}{dM_h} dM_h$$

$$n_{sat}(> M_{min}) = \int_{M_{min}}^{\infty} \frac{dn}{dM_h} \left( \frac{M_h}{M_1} \right)^{\alpha} dM_h$$

- Observations (SDSS):

$$n_{gal}(> L_r) = \int_{L_r}^{\infty} \frac{dn}{dL_r} dL_r$$

# SHAM technique

$$n_{gal}(> M_{min}) = n_{gal}(> L_r)$$

- We model Mgal - Lgal relation following:

$$\log(L_r) = c_0 + c_1 \sinh \left[ c_2 (\log(M_h - c_3))^2 + c_4 (\log(M_h) - c_3) \right]$$

- We compute the contribution of satellite galaxies to the total galaxy LF introducing Mgal - Lgal:

$$n_{sat}(> M_{min}(L_{gal})) = \int_{M_{min}(> L_{gal})}^{\infty} \frac{dn}{dM_h} \left( \frac{M_h}{M_1} \right)^{\alpha} dM_h$$

## Galaxy luminosities

- Central galaxies follow the relation  $M_{\text{gal}} - L_{\text{gal}}$  found
- Since we know  $N_{\text{sat}}$  and  $n_{\text{sat}}(>L_r)$ , we generate  $N_{\text{sat}}$  ‘available’ luminosities sampling randomly the distribution
- We assign one of the available and sampled luminosities for each satellite galaxy if  $L_{\text{sat}} \leq 1.05 L_{\text{cen}}$  (~central galaxy is the most luminous galaxy in a halo)
- SHAM technique guarantees that each mock galaxy catalogue follows the observed LF

# Galaxy positions

- Central galaxies are placed at the center of their host haloes
- Satellite galaxies follow a NFW density profile

$$\frac{\rho(r)}{\bar{\rho}} = \frac{\Delta_{vir}(z)}{3\Omega(z)} \frac{c^3 f(c)}{x(1+x)^2}$$

$$\Delta_{vir}(z) = 18\pi^2 + 82d - 39d^2; \quad d = \Omega(z) - 1.$$

- Concentration parameter provided by Bullock et al. (2001)

$$c(M_h) \approx \frac{9}{(1+z)} \left( \frac{M_h}{M_{*0}} \right)^{-0.13} \quad r_{vir} = \left( \frac{3M}{4\pi \Delta_{vir}(z) \rho_{crit.}} \right)^{(1/3)}$$

# Galaxy positions

In the NFW profile, the density of dark matter as a function of radius is given by:

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{\frac{r}{R_s} \left(1 + \frac{r}{R_s}\right)^2}$$

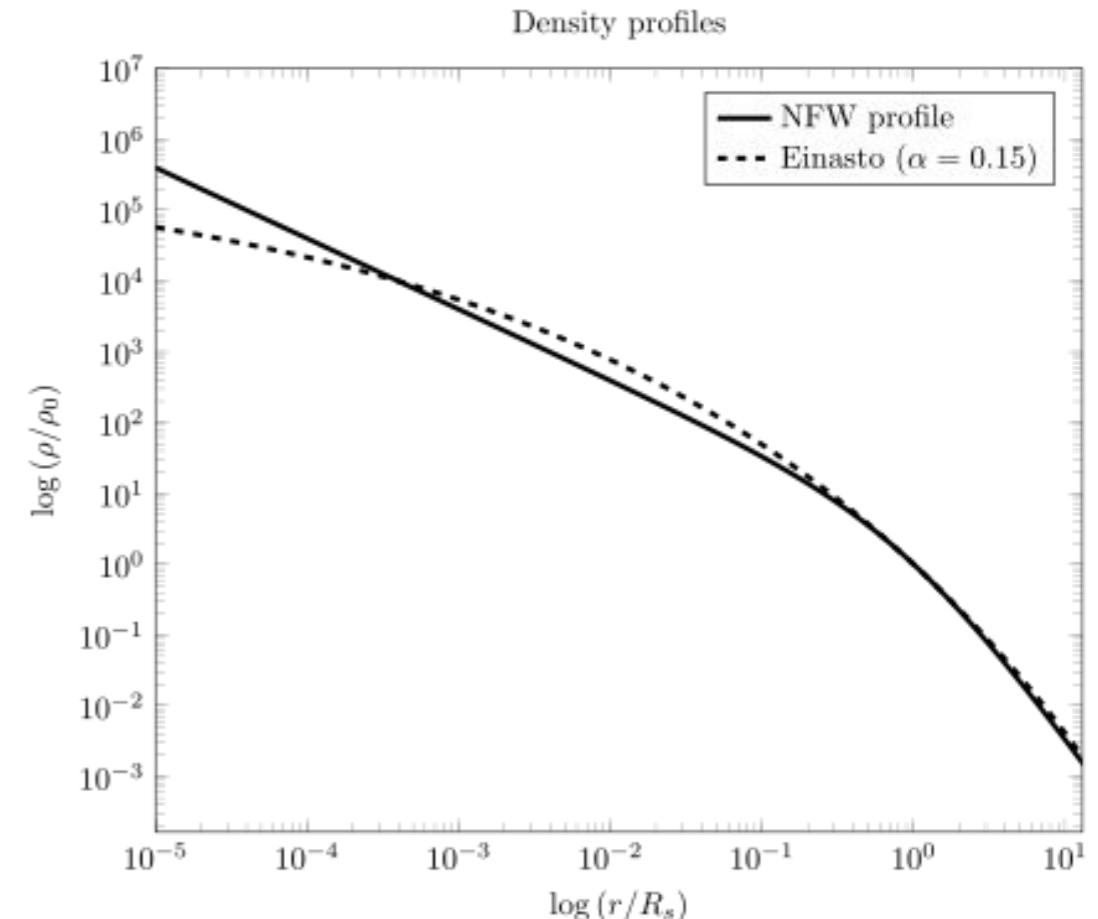
where  $\rho_0$  and the "scale radius",  $R_s$ , are parameters which vary from halo to halo.

The integrated mass within some radius  $R_{\max}$  is

$$M = \int_0^{R_{\max}} 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) dr = 4\pi \rho_0 R_s^3 \left[ \ln\left(\frac{R_s + R_{\max}}{R_s}\right) - \frac{R_{\max}}{R_s + R_{\max}} \right]$$

The total mass is divergent, but it is often useful to take the edge of the halo to be the **virial radius**,  $R_{\text{vir}}$ , which is related to the "concentration parameter",  $c$ , and scale radius via

$$R_{\text{vir}} = c R_s$$



## Galaxy velocities

- Central galaxies: same velocity as its host halo
- Satellite galaxies: following Seth & Diaferio (2001), the motion of a particle in an N-body simulation can be described as the sum of the virial motion of the particle within its host halo and the bulk motion of the halo as a whole

$$v = v_{vir} + v_h \quad \sigma_{vir}^2 = \langle v_{vir}^2 \rangle \propto GM_h/r_{vir} \propto M_h^{2/3}$$

$$\sigma_{vir} = 476 f_{vir} [\Delta_{vir} E^2(z)]^{1/6} \left( \frac{M_h}{10^{15} M_\odot h^{-1}} \right)^{1/3} \text{km s}^{-1}$$

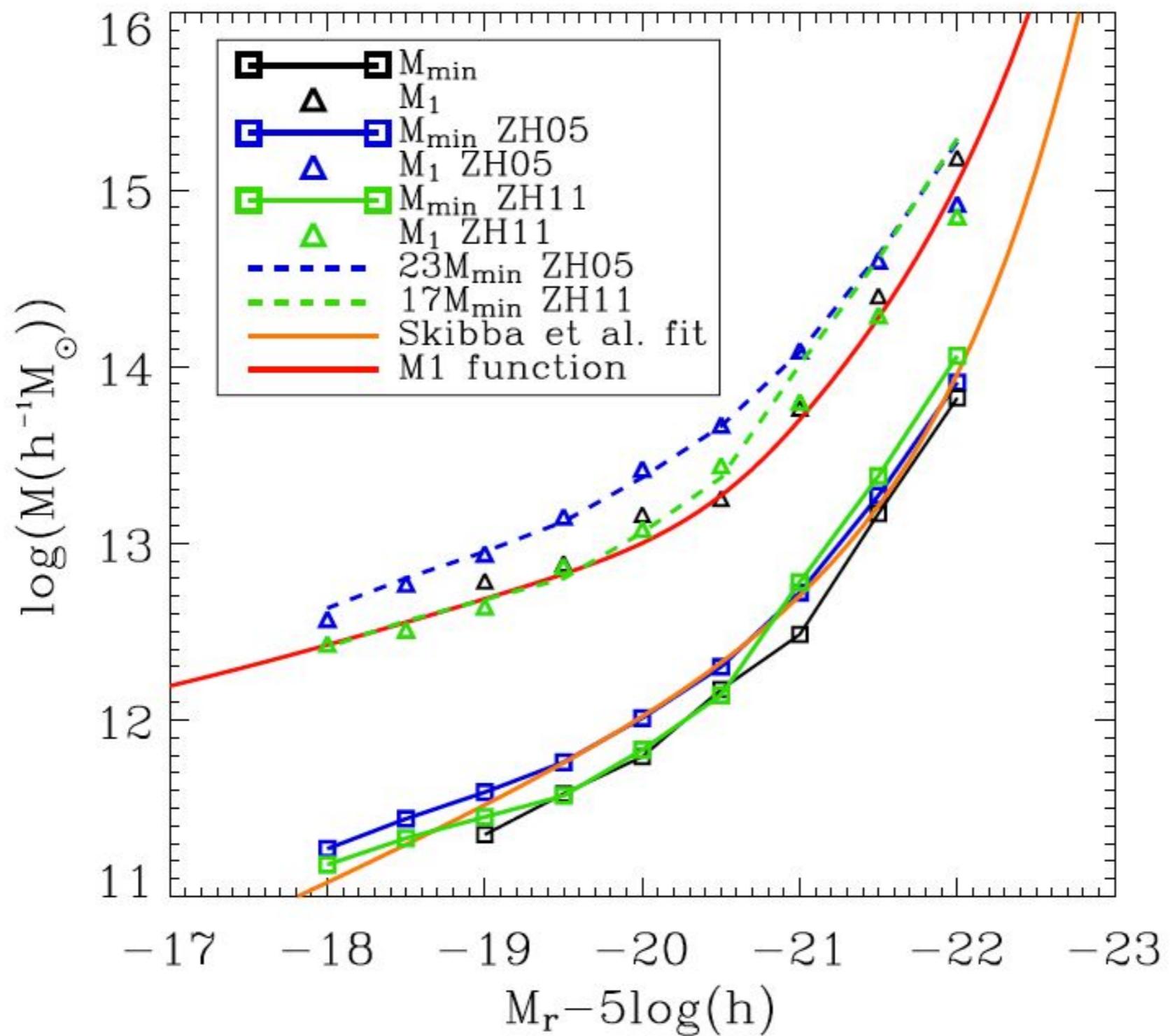
Bryan & Norman (1998)

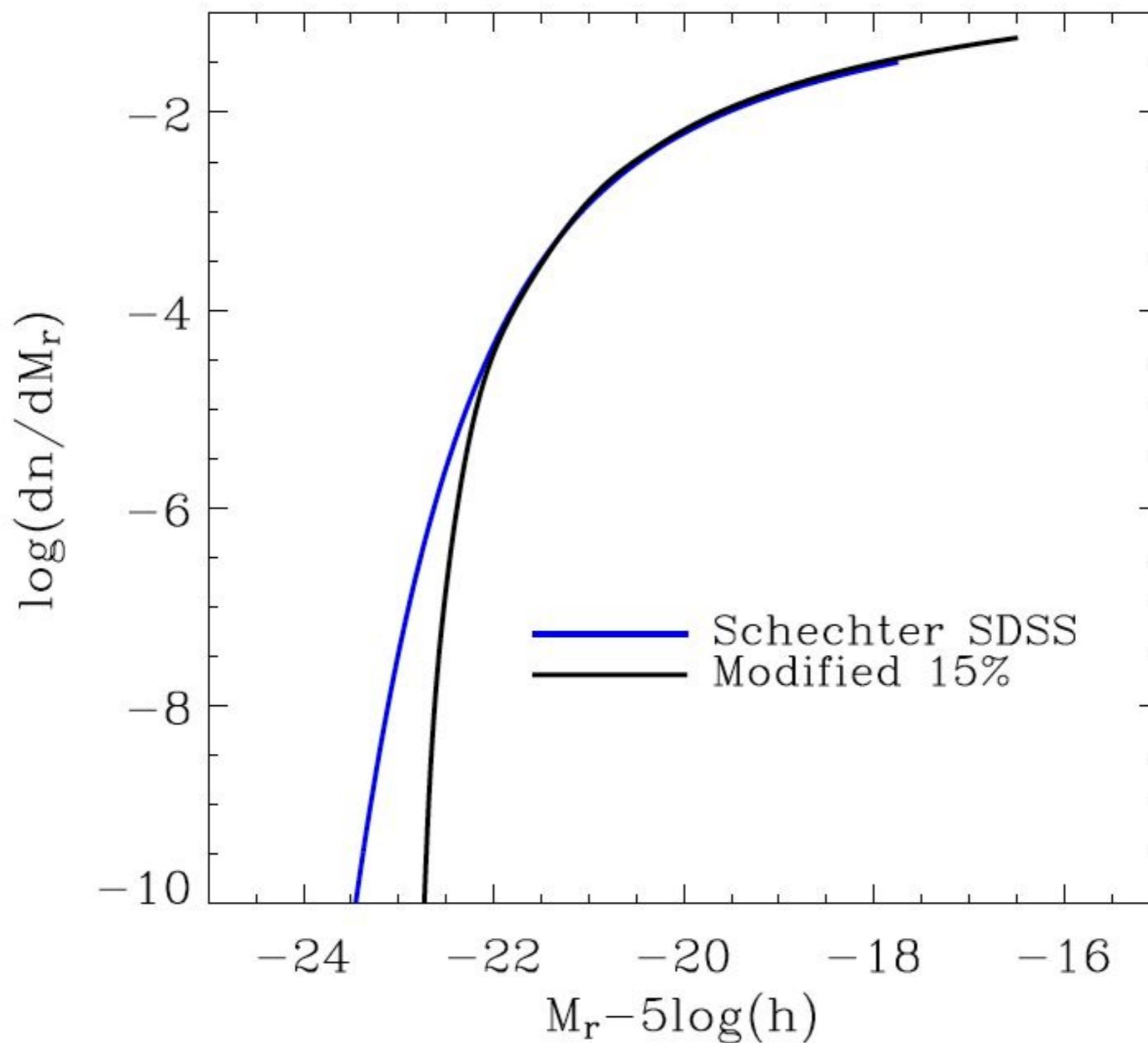
## Fine tuning

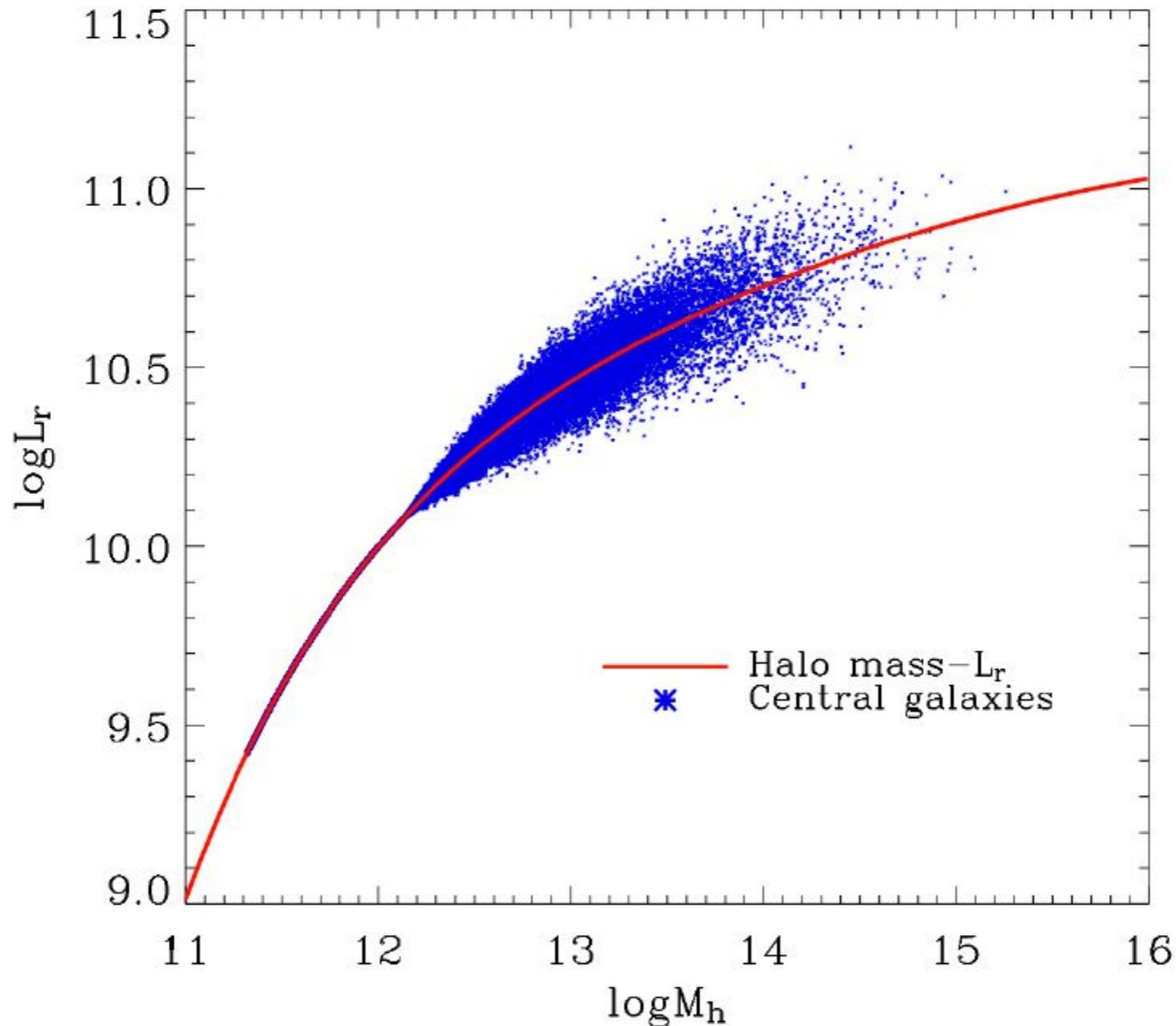
- $M_1$  is a function of  $M_h$ :

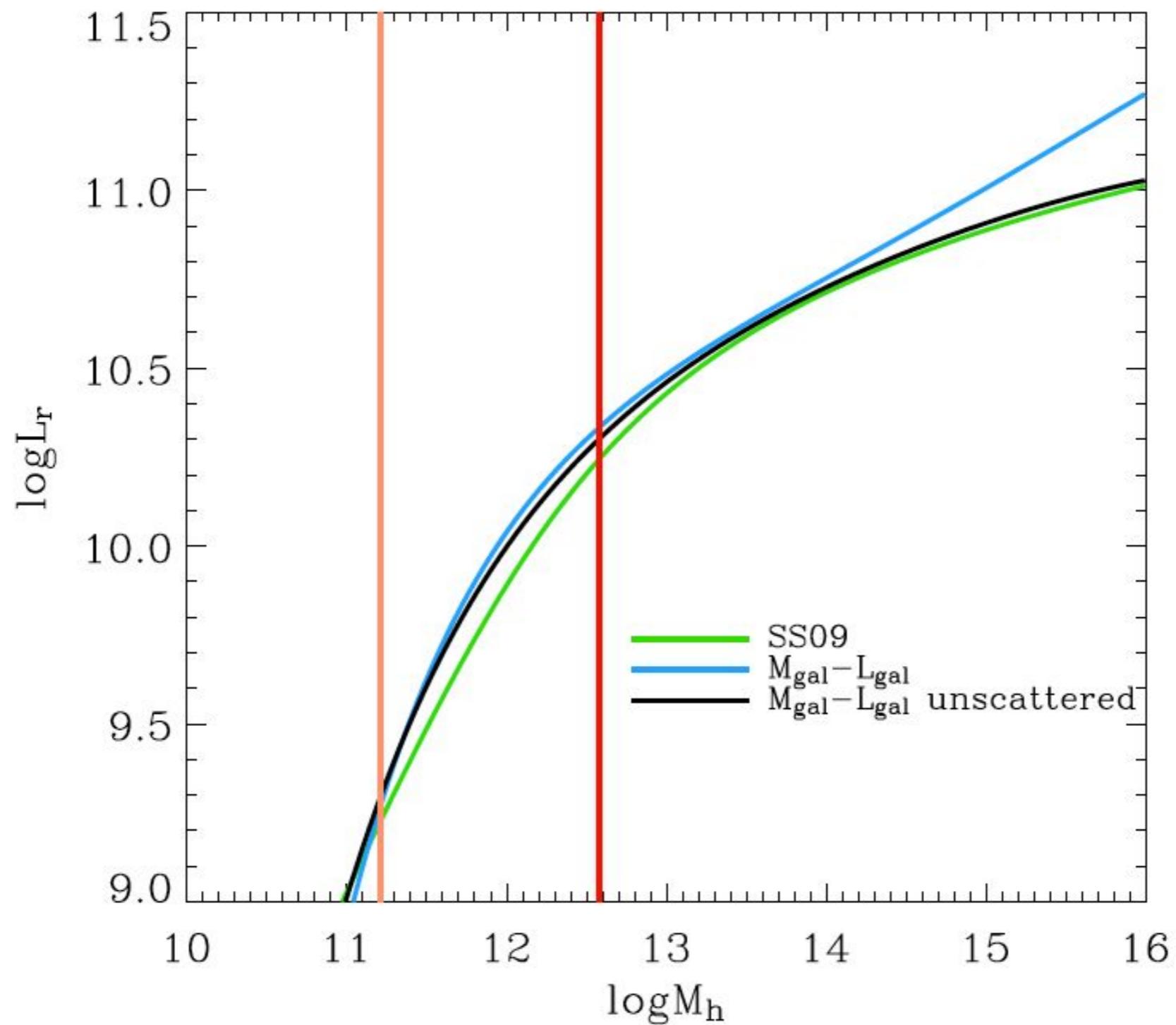
$$f_{M_1} = 0.5((a_1 - a_2) \tanh(s_1(b_1 - \log M_h)) + (a_3 - a_2) \tanh(s_2(\log M_h - b_2)) + (a_1 + a_3))$$

- Scatter in the relation between halo mass and central luminosity relation in order to decrease the clustering of the brightest galaxies to better reproduce their clustering at large scales
- Third Gaussian component to better fit the colour-magnitude diagram

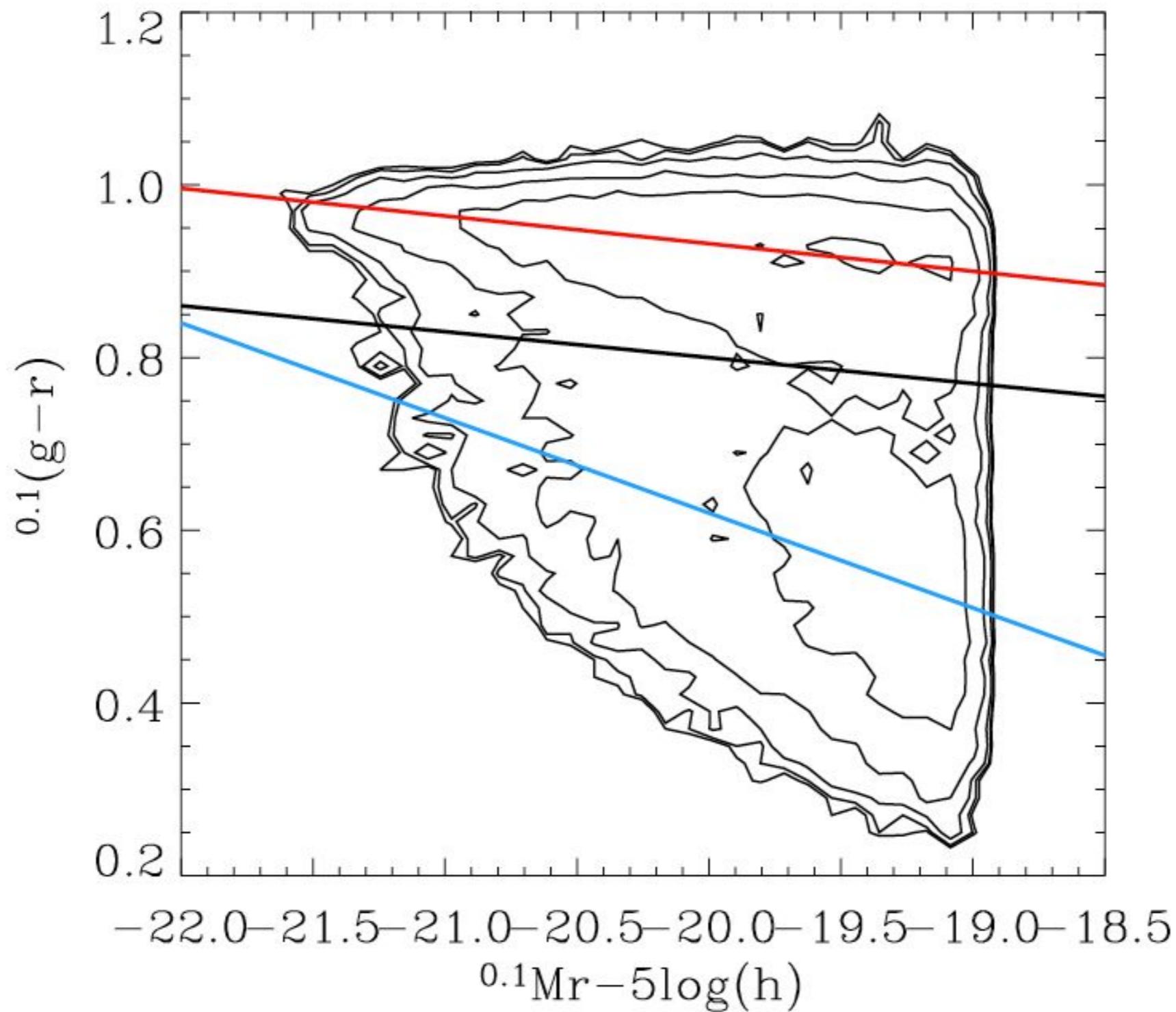
$M_I(M_h(M_r))$ 

Scatter  $M_h - M_r$ 

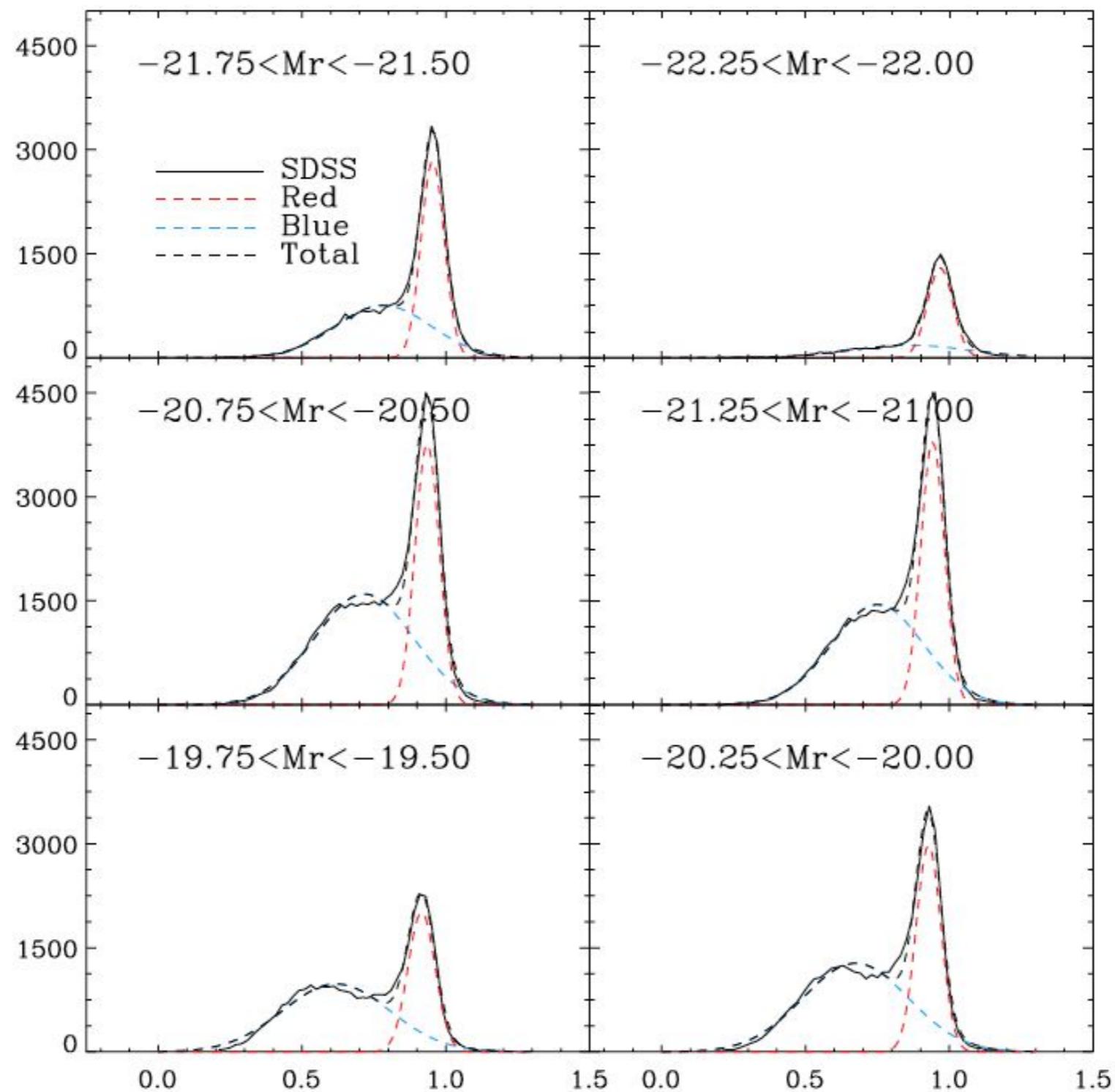
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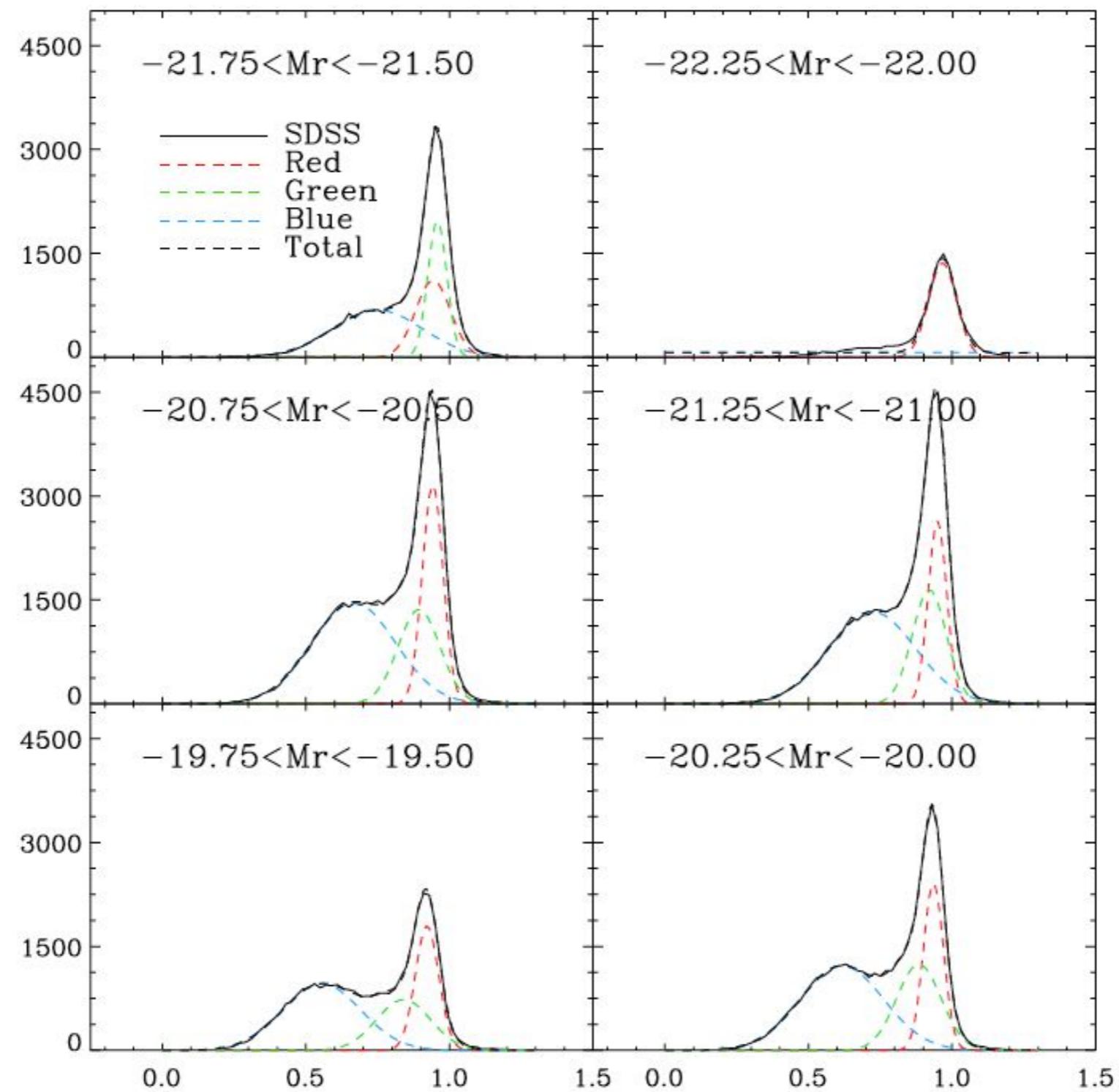
## SDSS CM diagram



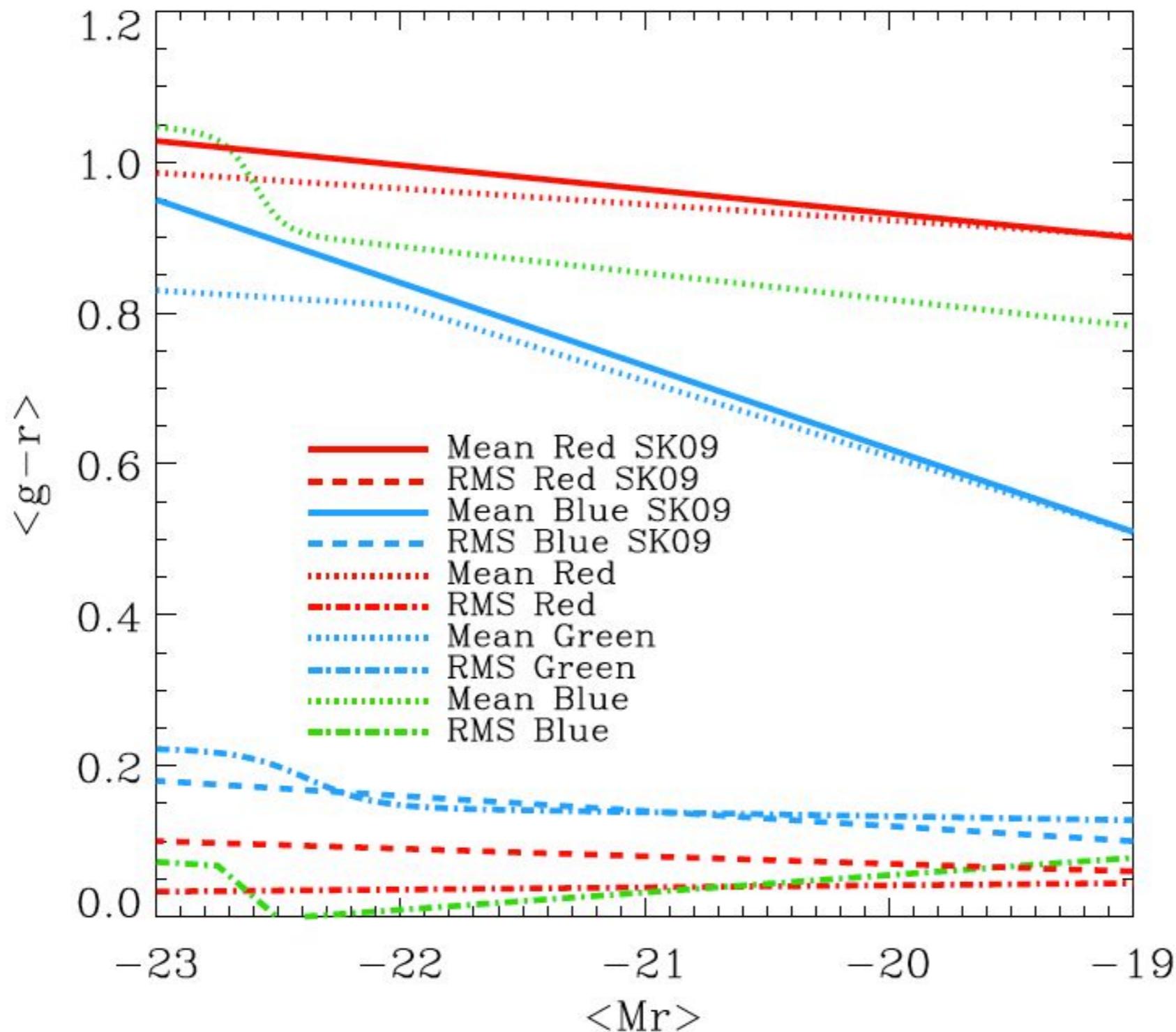
# Bimodality (two Gaussians)



# Bimodality (three Gaussians)



# Bimodality



# Galaxy colors

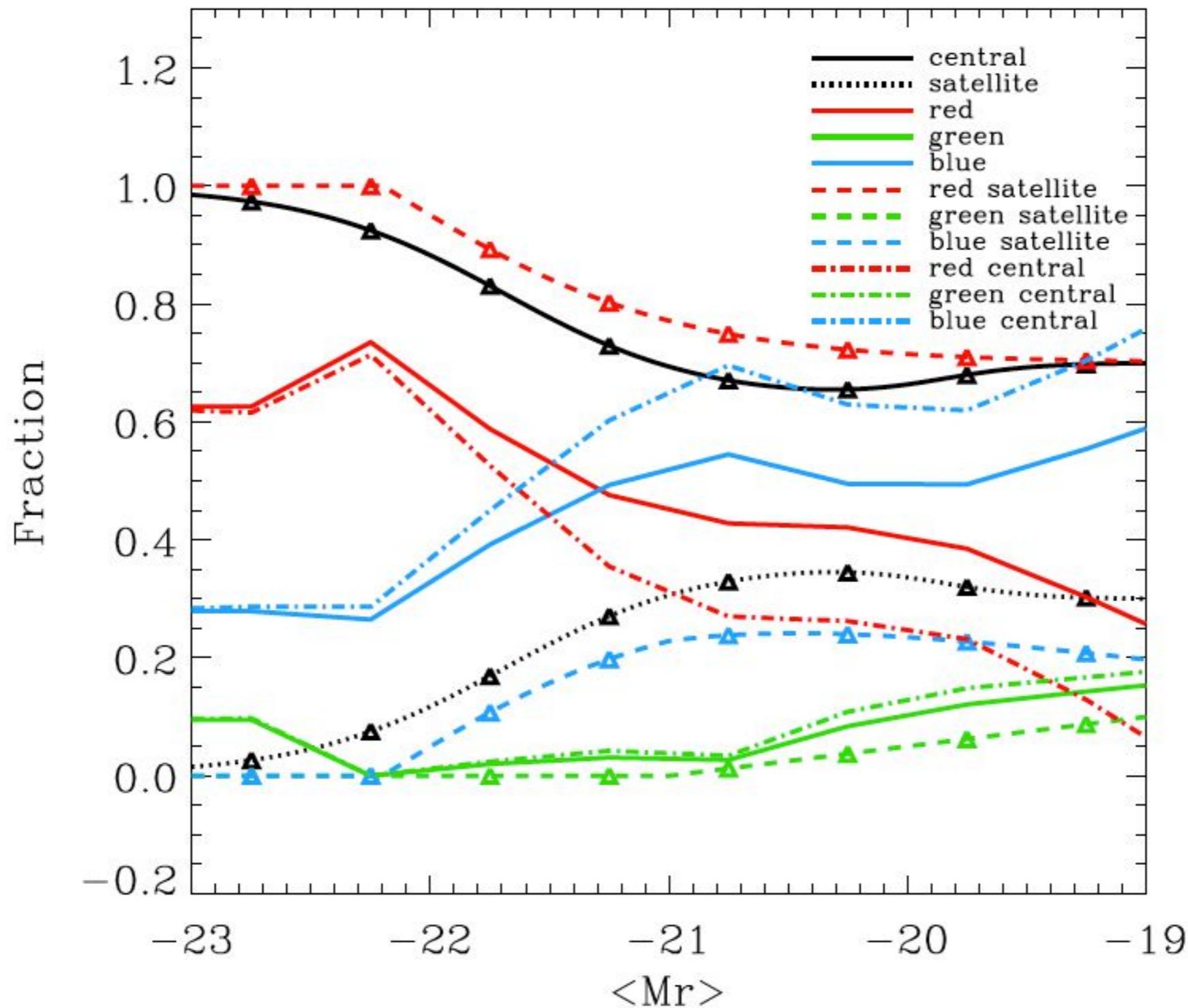
- Skkibba & Sheth 2009 proposed a method to include galaxy colours (main assumption: galaxy colours do not depend explicitly on the halo mass)
- They proposed a function that defines the mean colour of satellite galaxies given  $M_r$ . This function is used to derive the fraction of satellite galaxies that belongs to the red sequence
- We directly set the fraction of satellite galaxies that belongs to the red and green sequences:

$$f_{sat}^{red}(M_r) = 1.00 - 0.30 \tanh\left(\frac{M_r + 22.20}{1.20}\right)$$

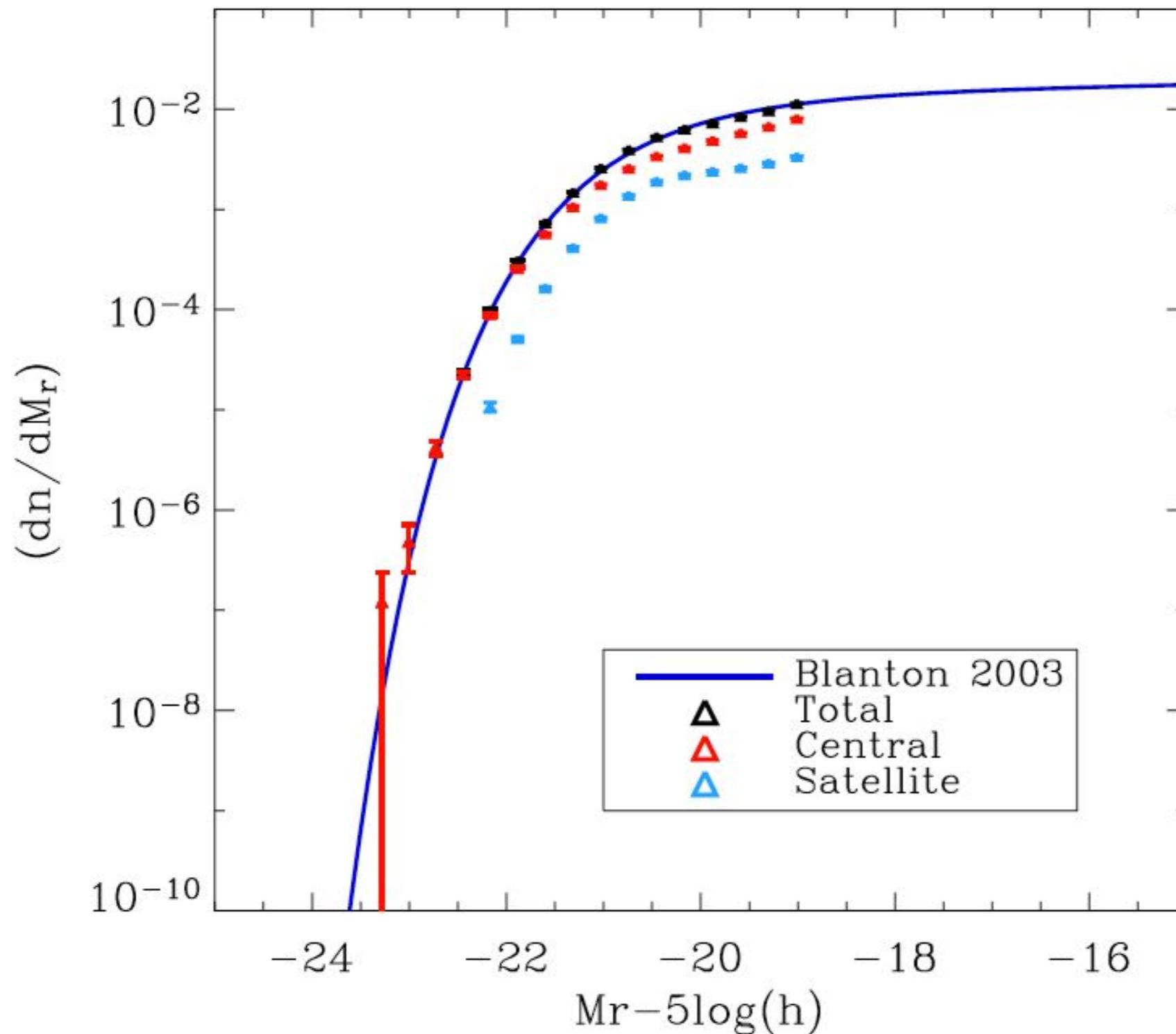
$$f_{sat}^{green}(M_r) = 0.05 - 0.05(M_r + 20.0)$$

$$f_{sat}^{blue}(M_r) = 1 - (f_{sat}^{red}(M_r) + f_{sat}^{green}(M_r))$$

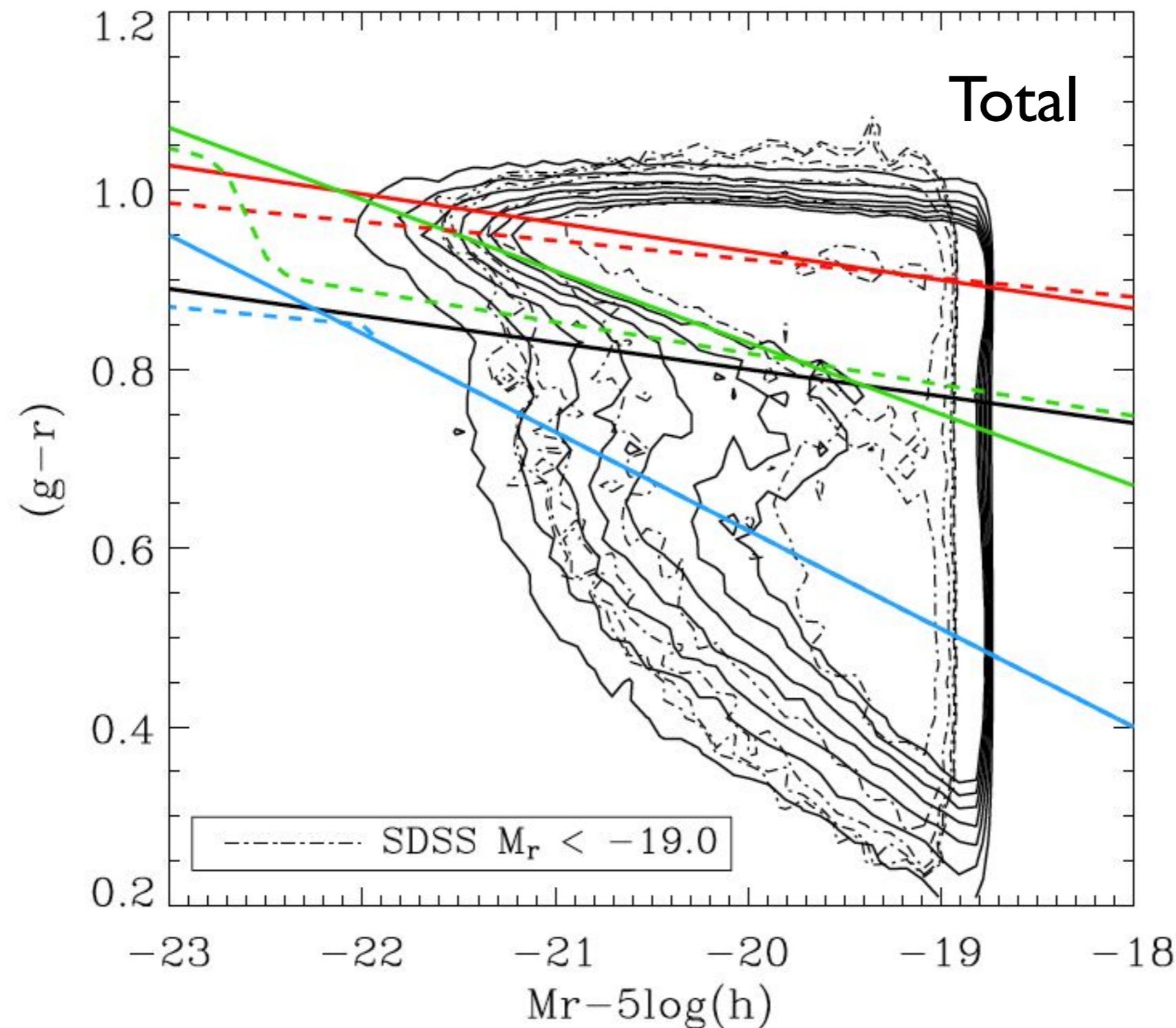
# Galaxy colors



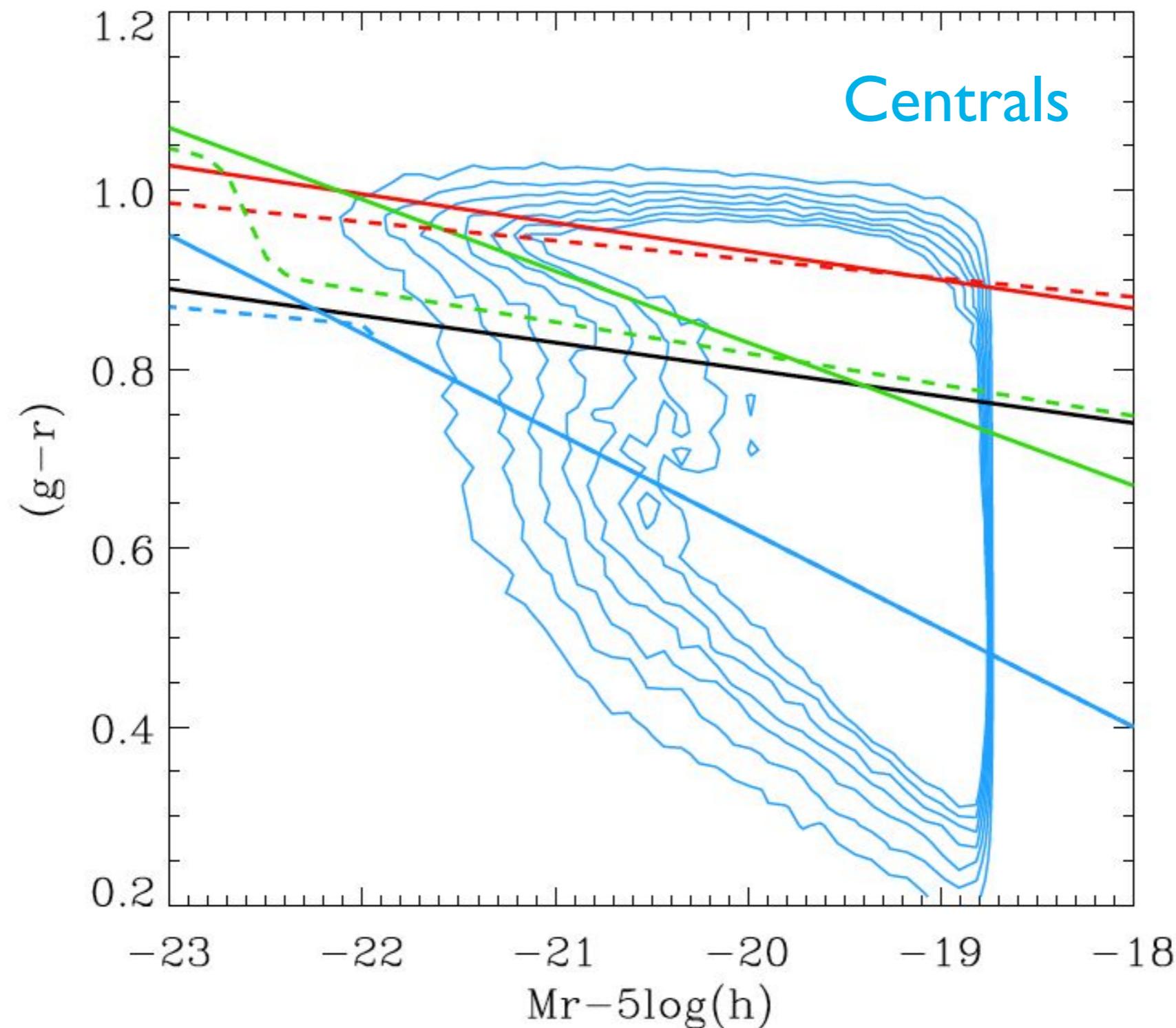
## Results | LF



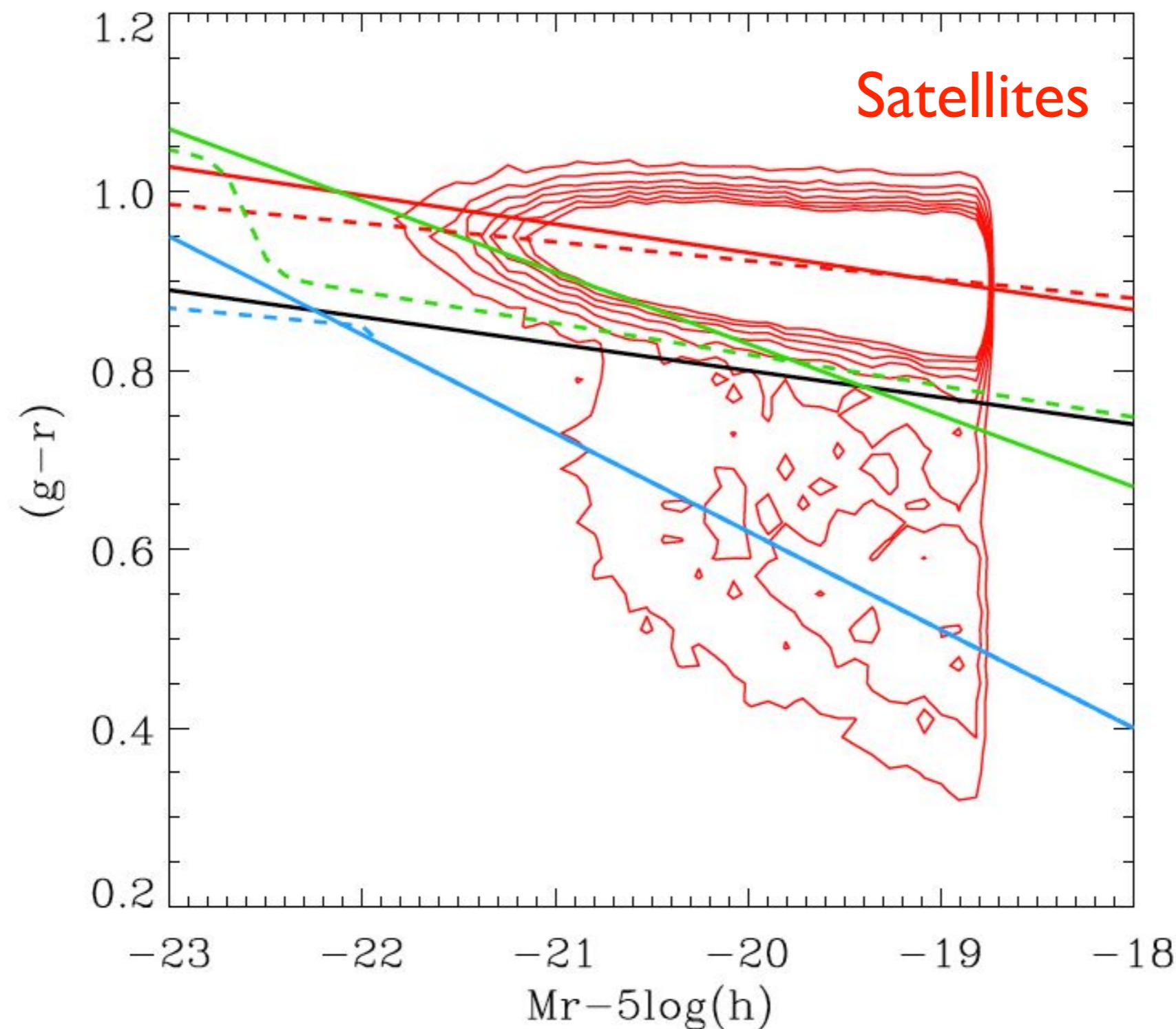
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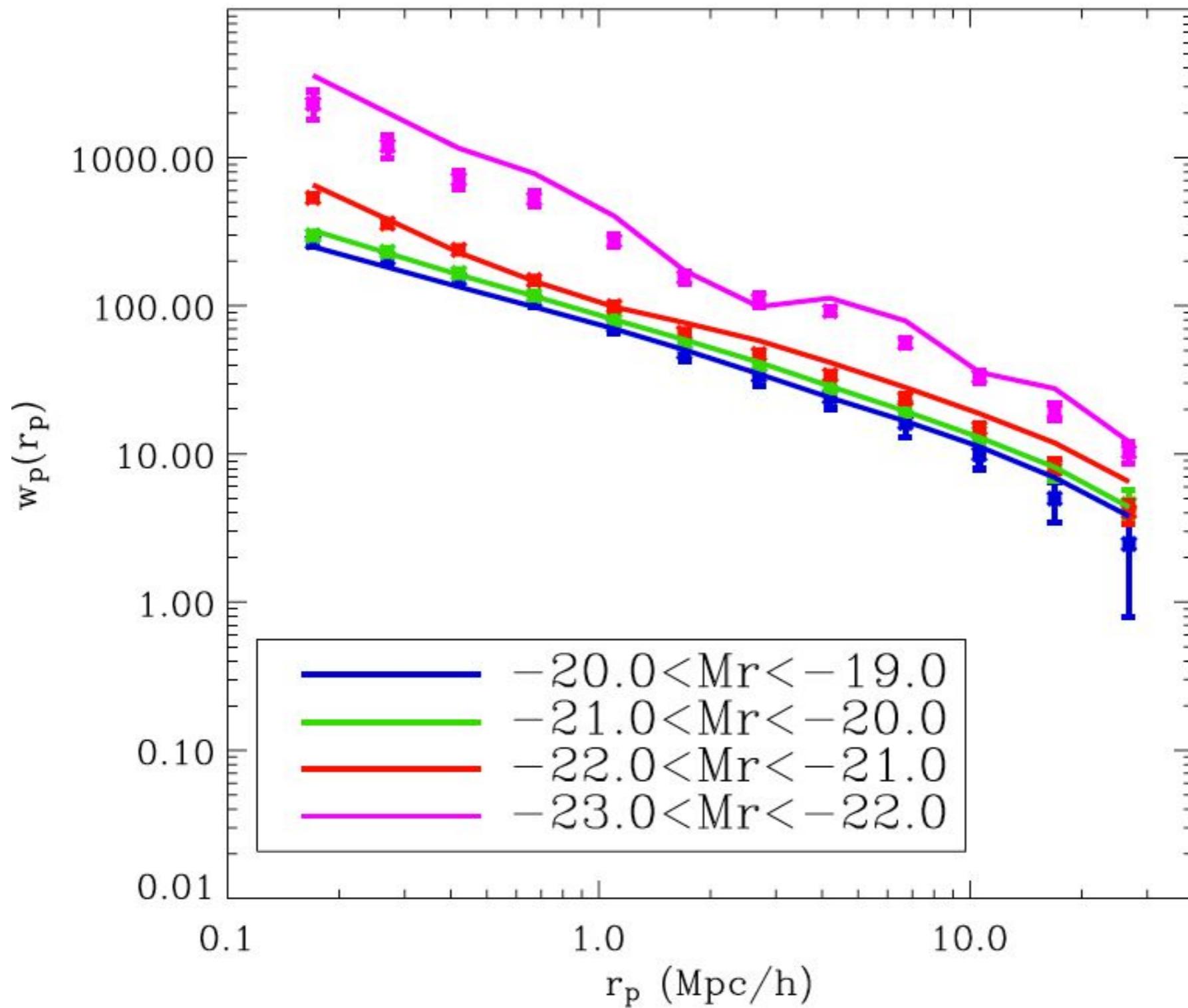
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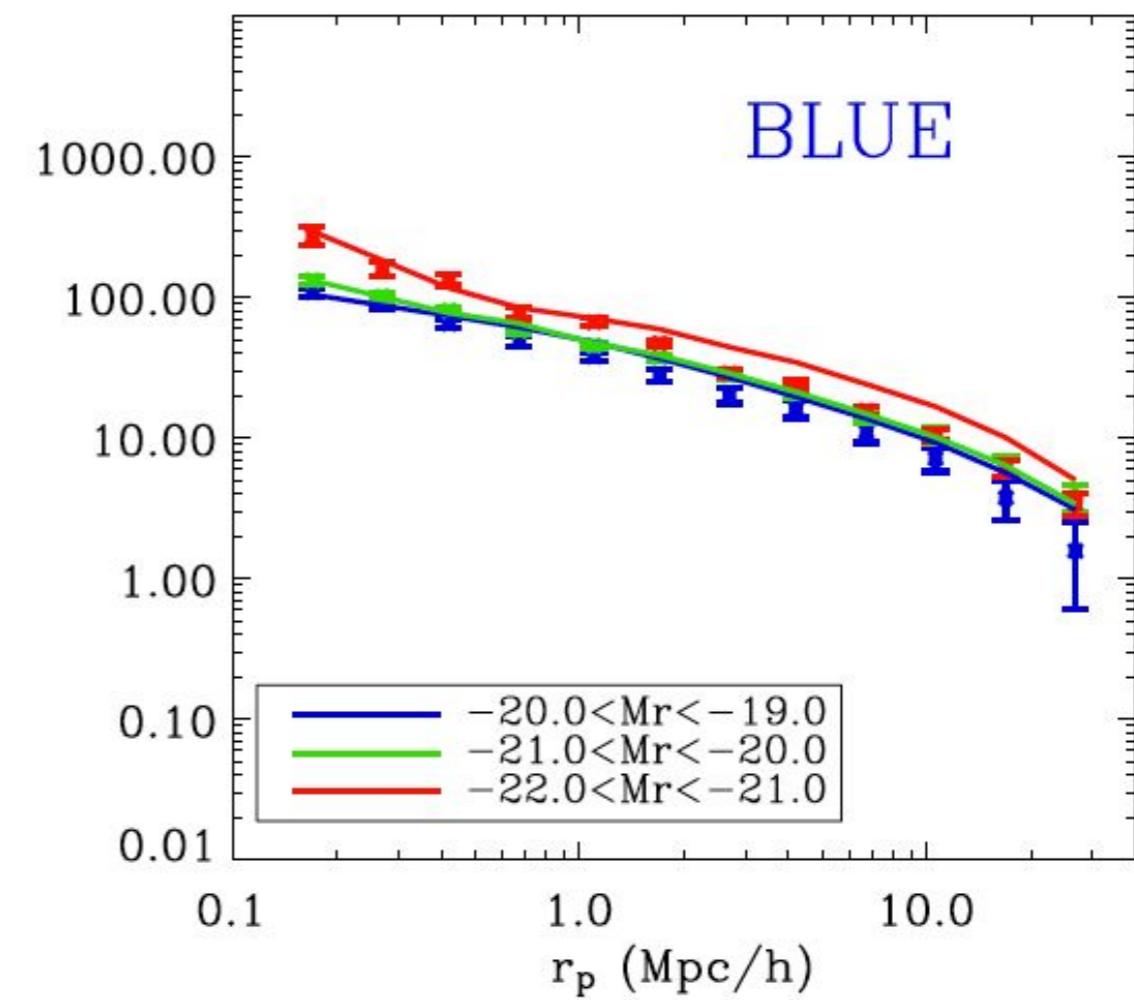
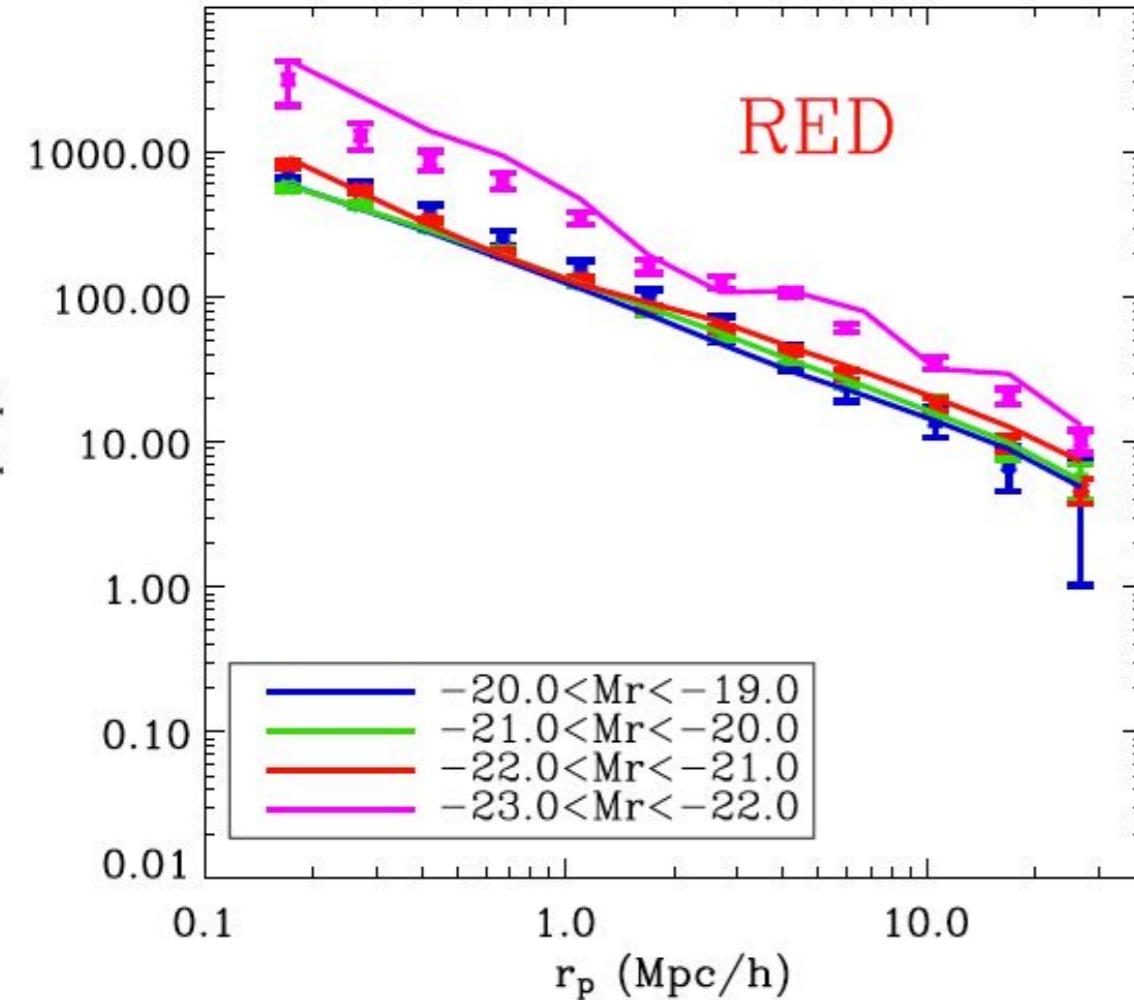
# Results: CM-diagram



# Results: $w_p(r_p)(M_{rl} < M_r < M_{r2})$

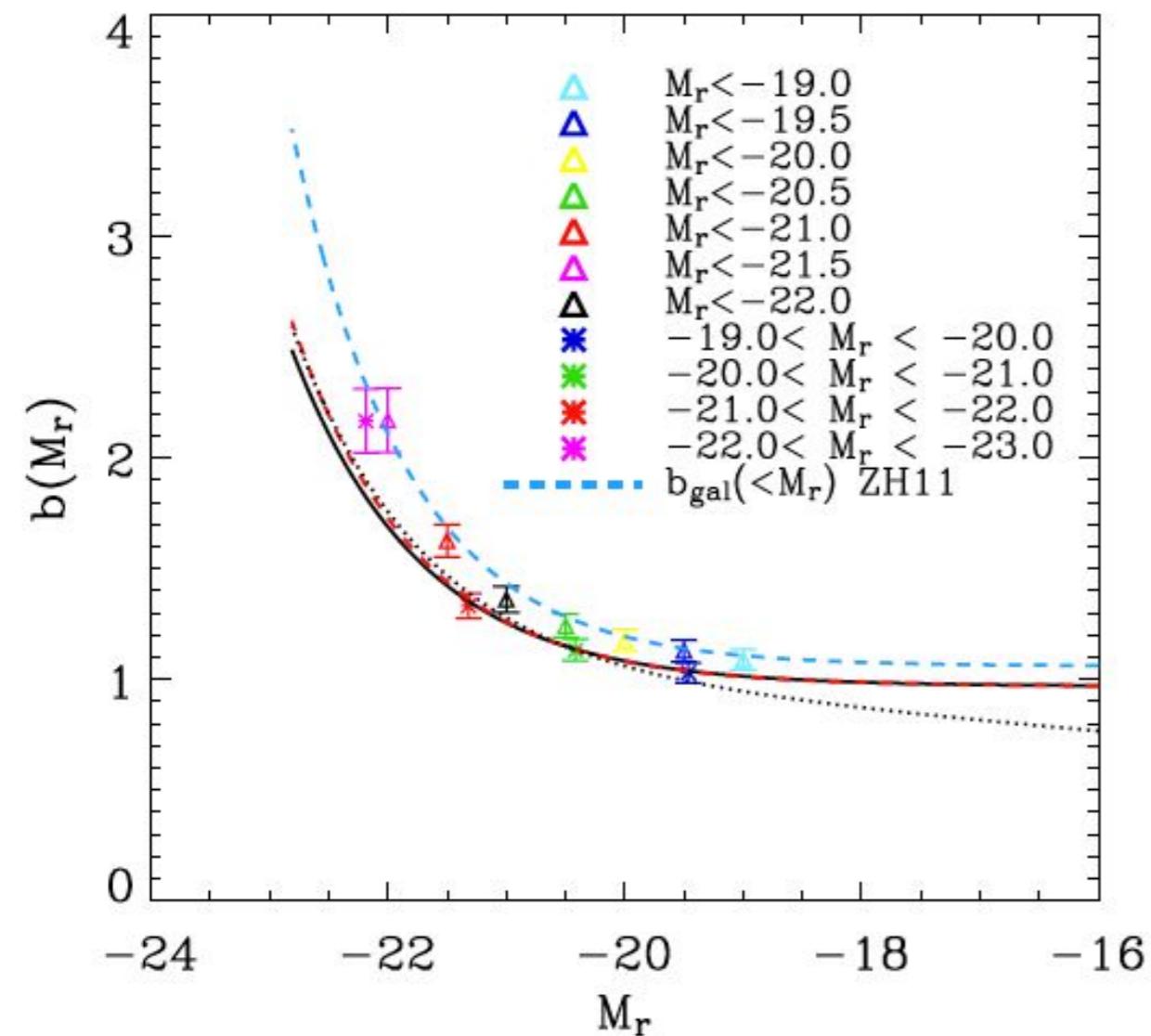


$$w_p(r_p) \text{ } (M_{rl} < M_r < M_{r2}) \text{ } (g-r)$$

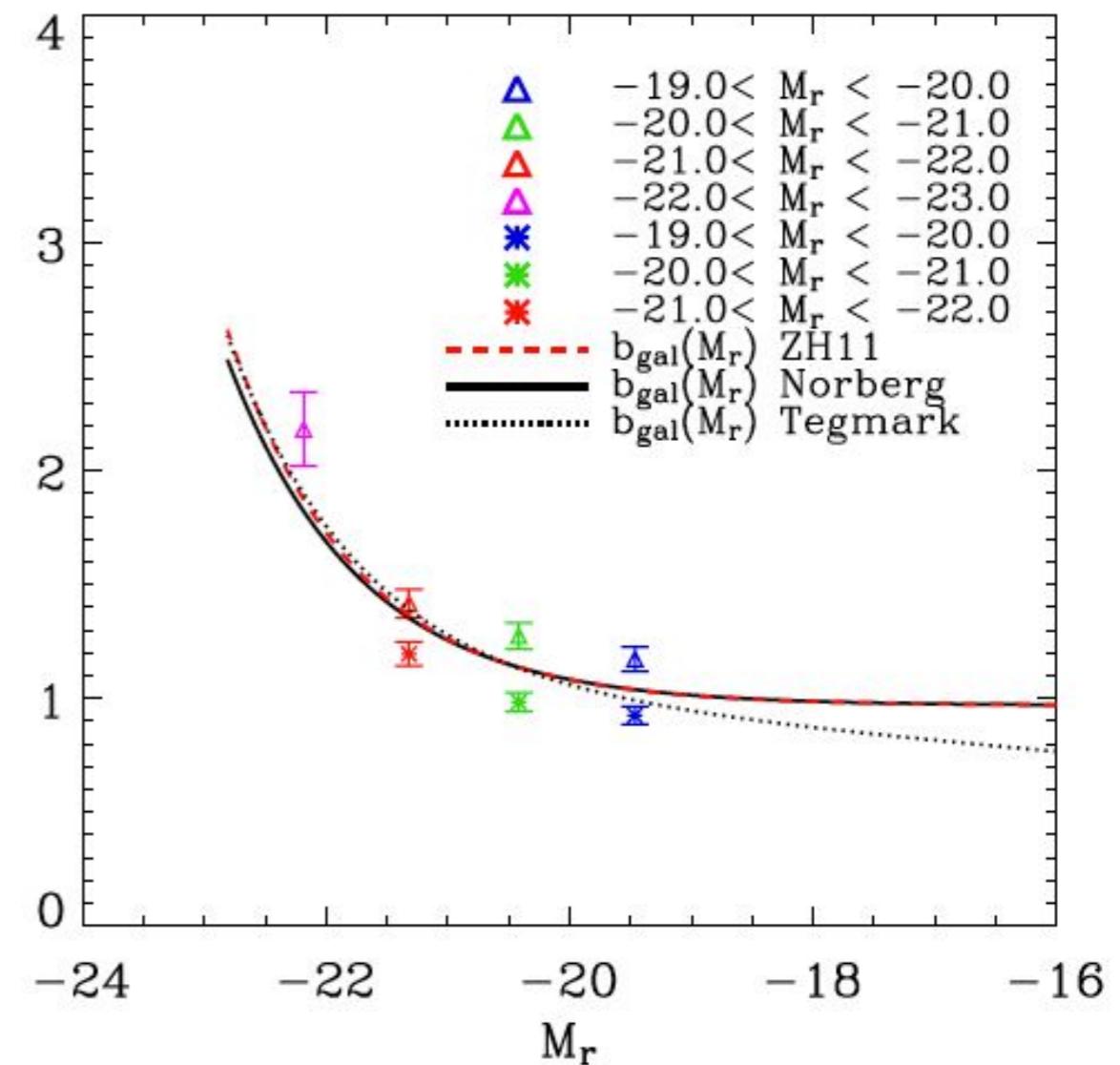


$$b_{\text{lin}}(r) (M_r \mid (g-r))$$

TOTAL

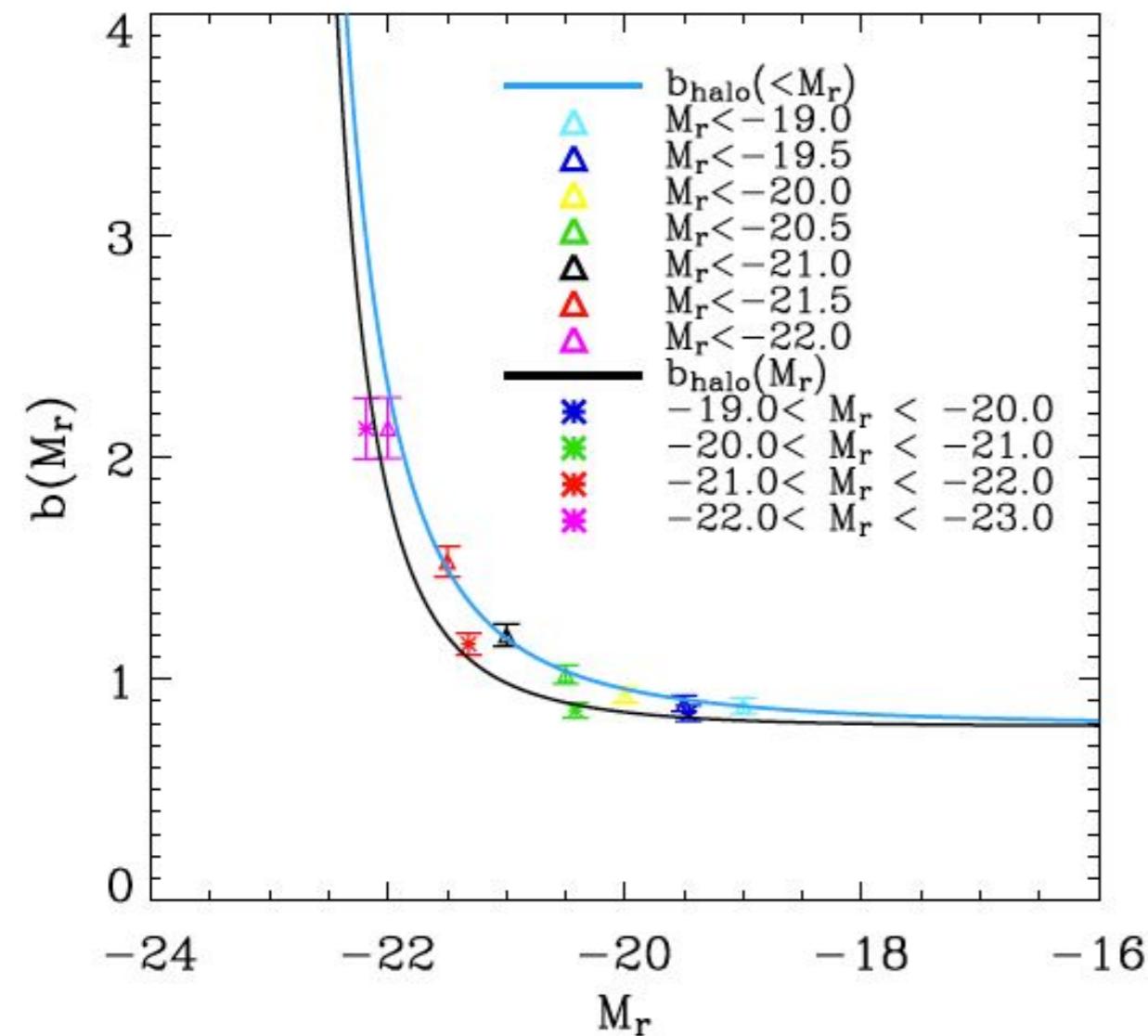


COLOUR

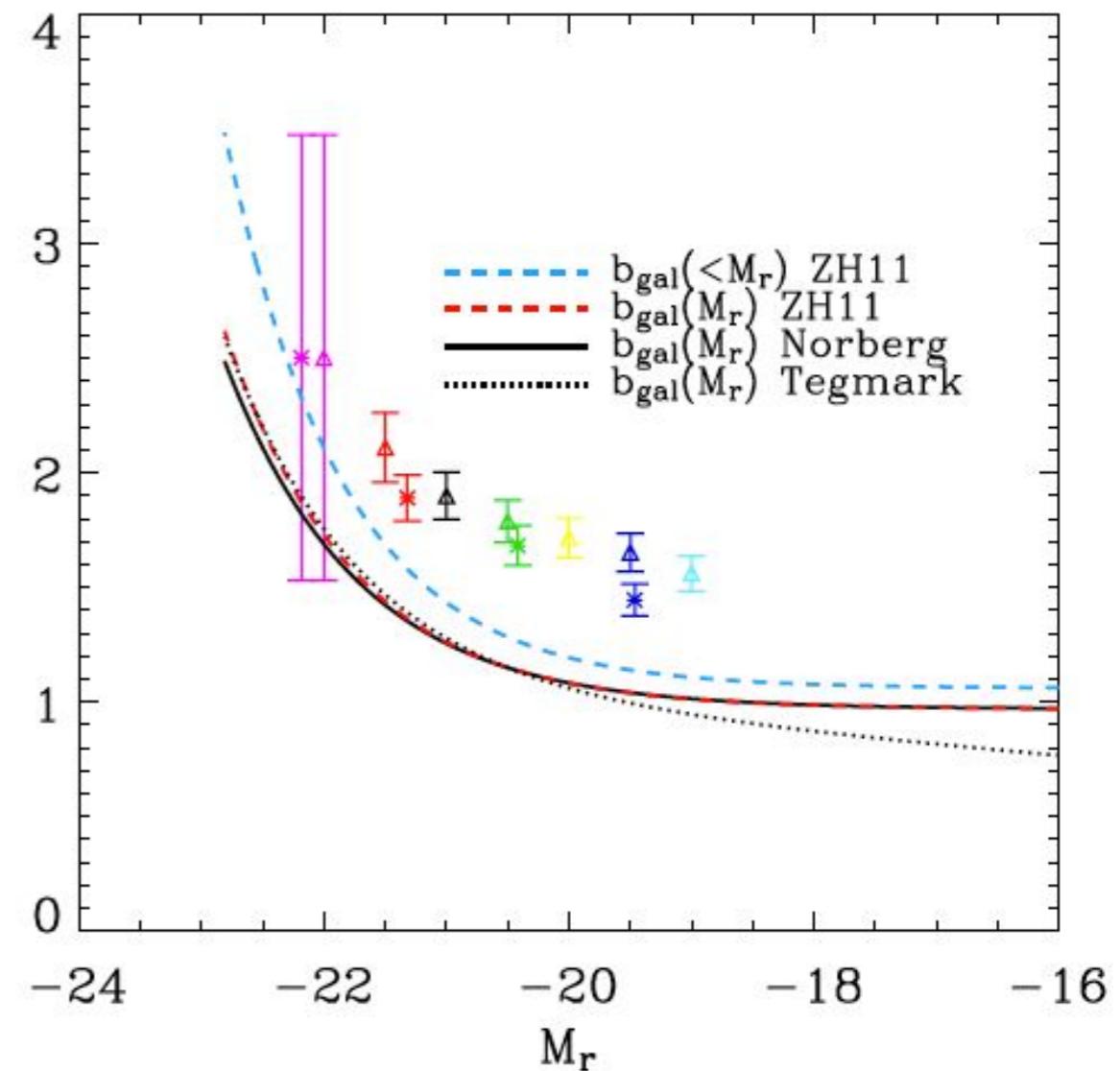


$$b_{\text{lin}}(r) \ (\mathbb{M}_r \mid (g-r))$$

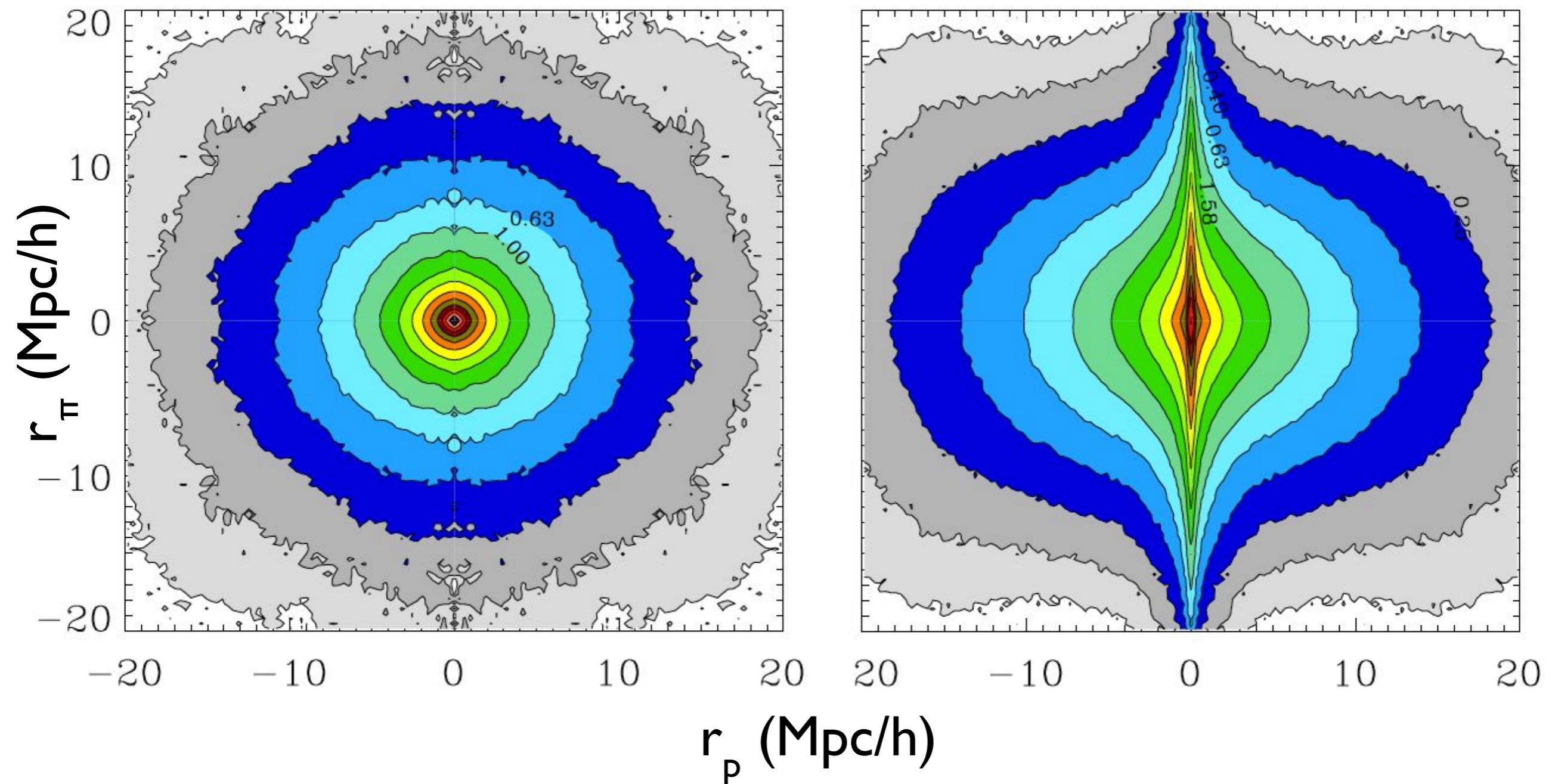
CENTRAL



SATELLITE

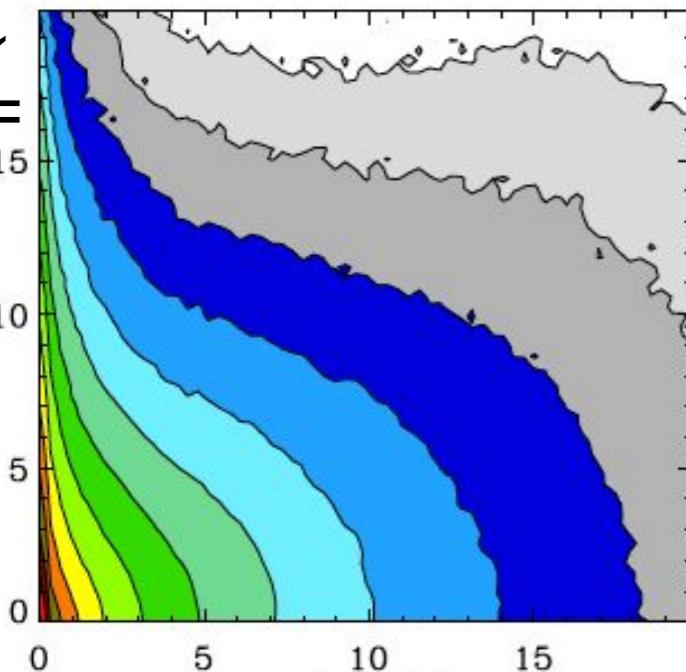
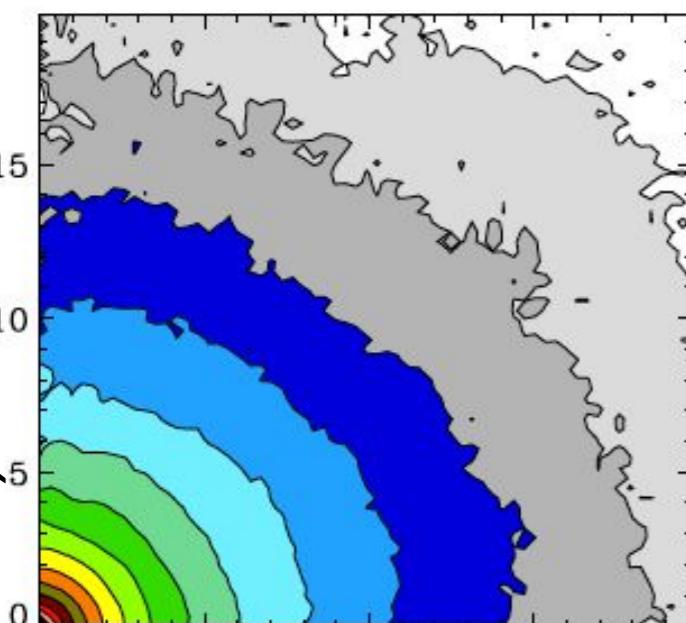


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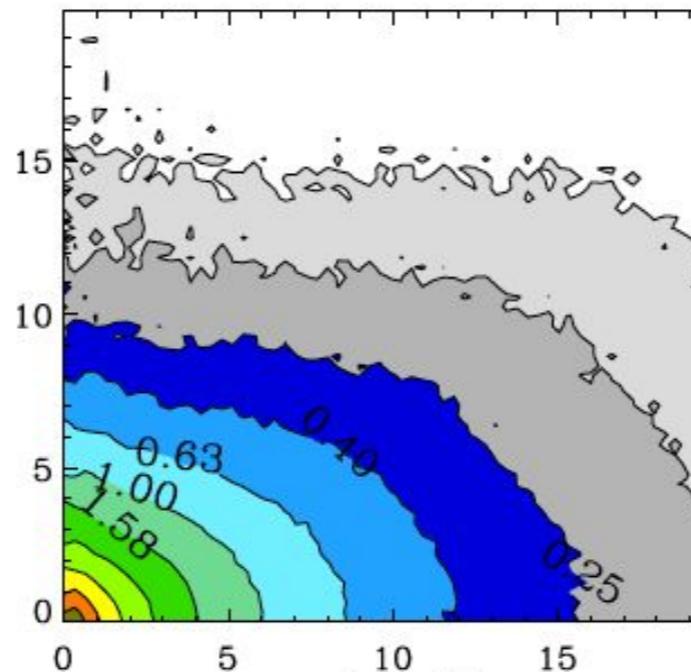
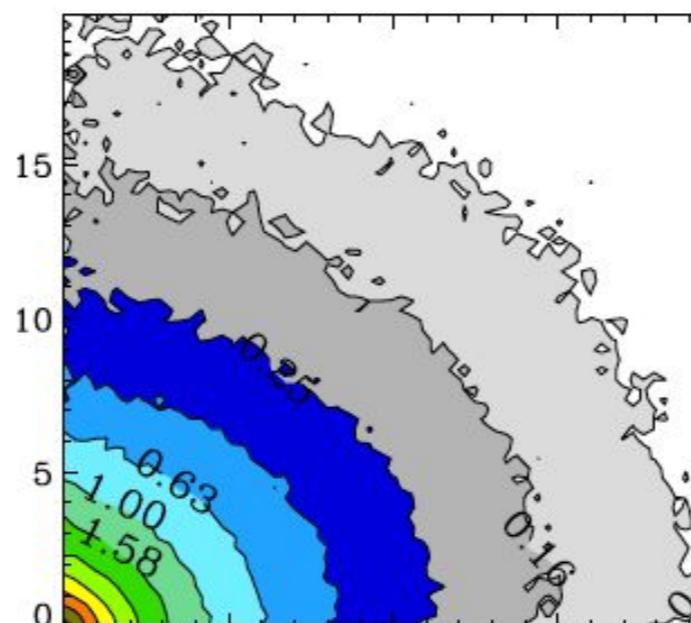


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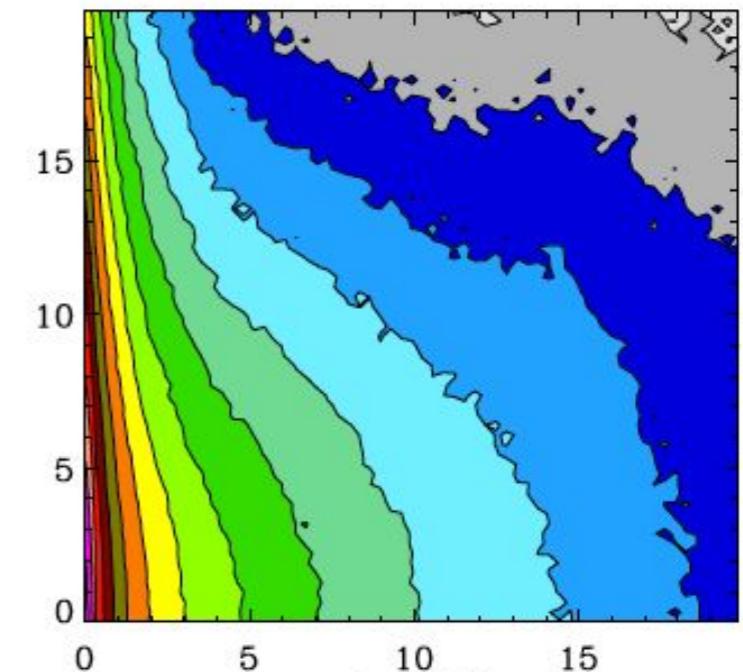
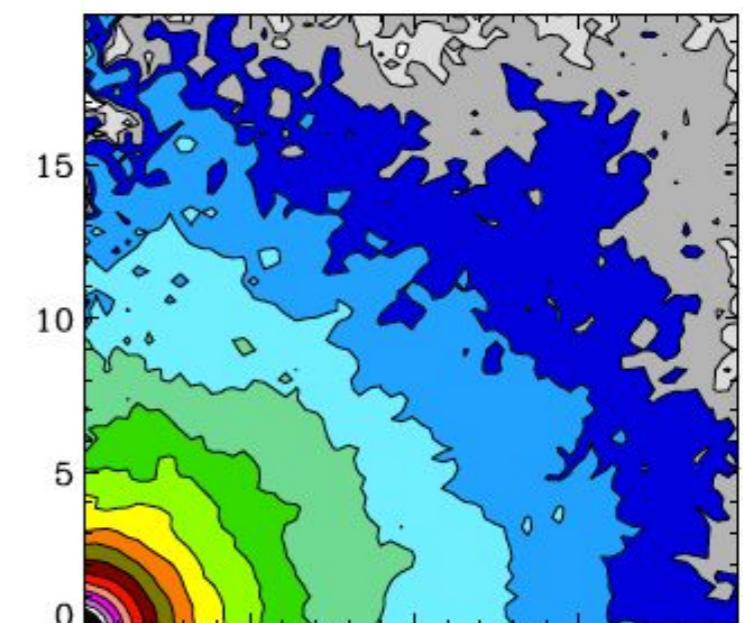
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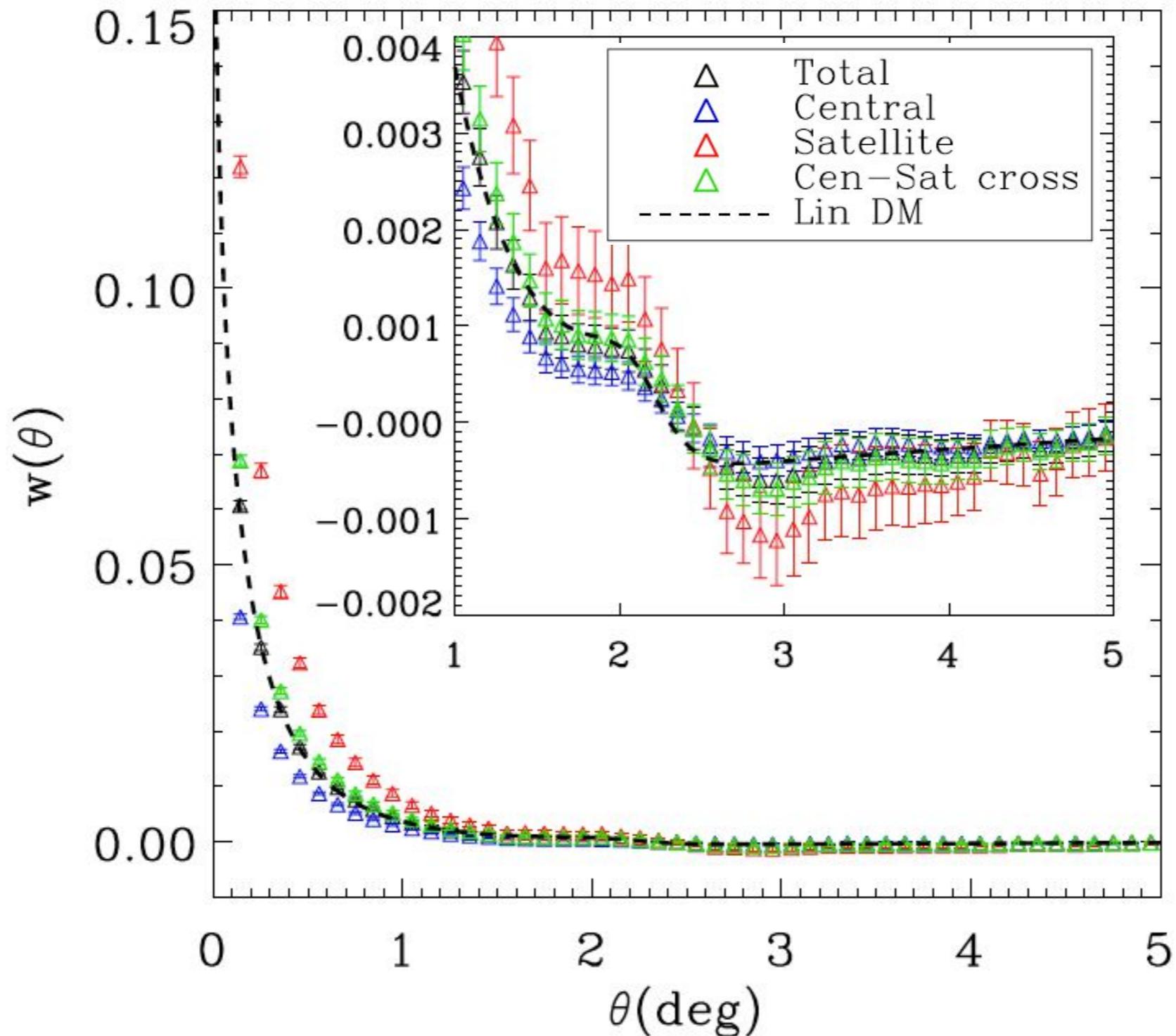
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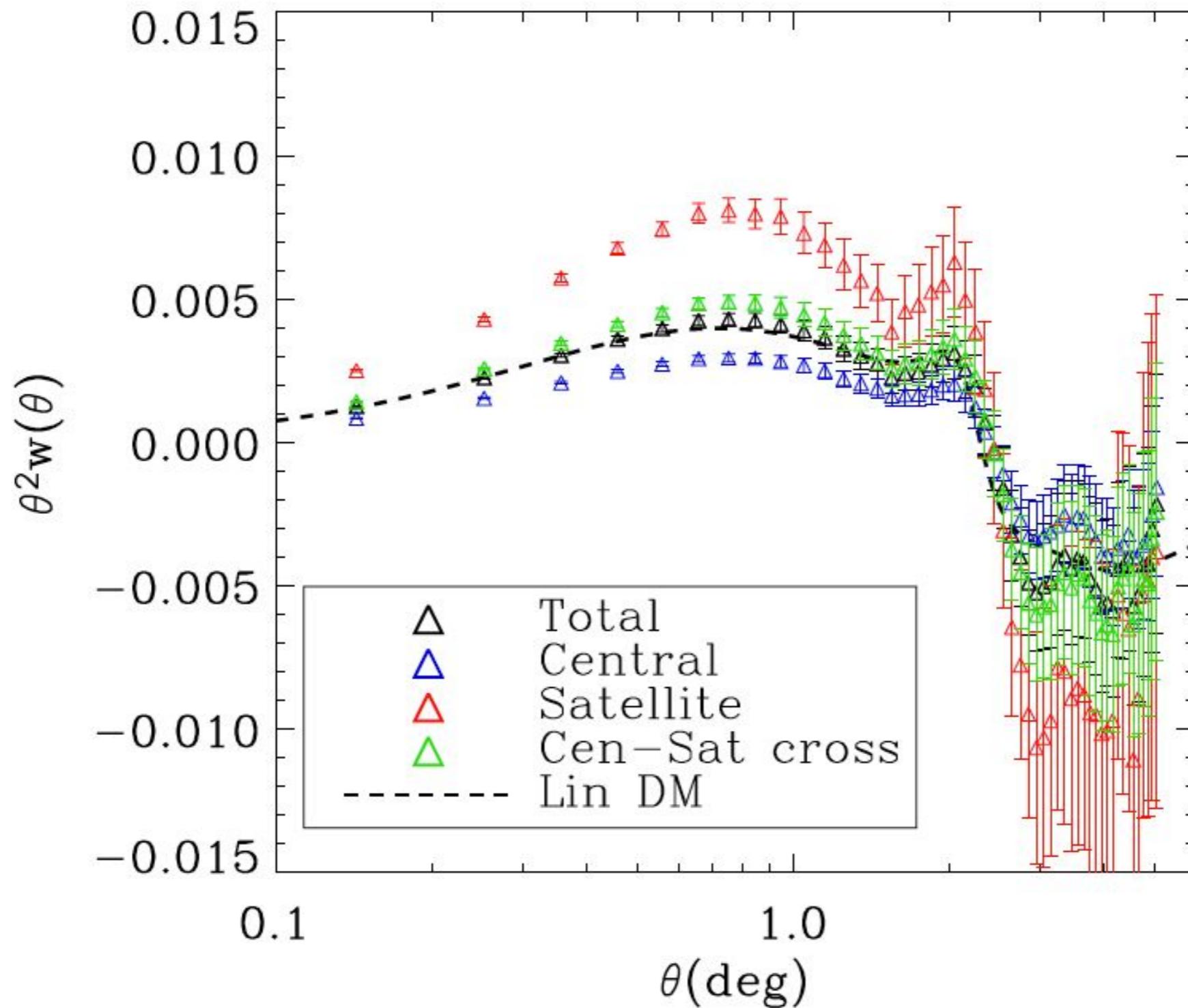
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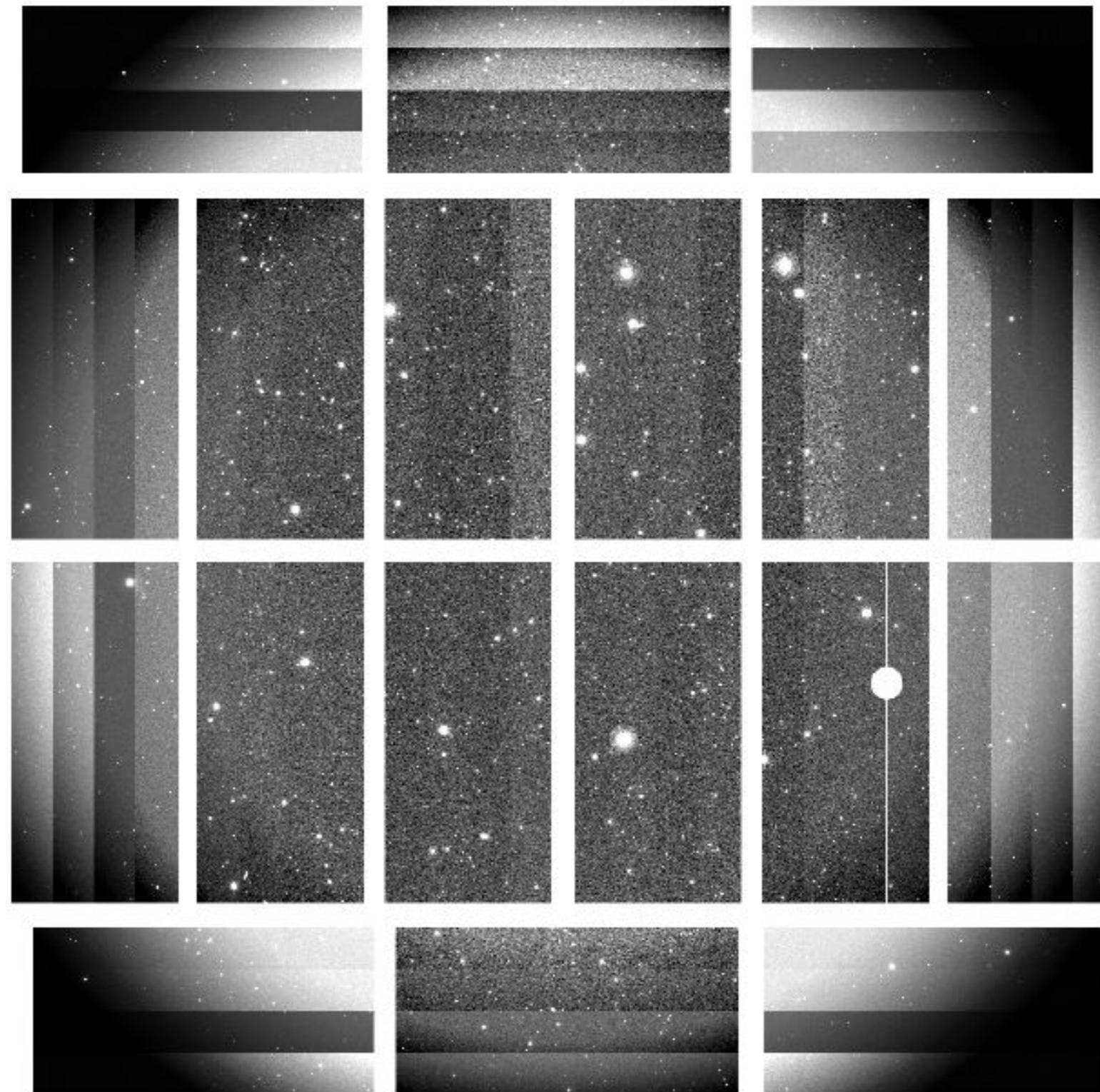
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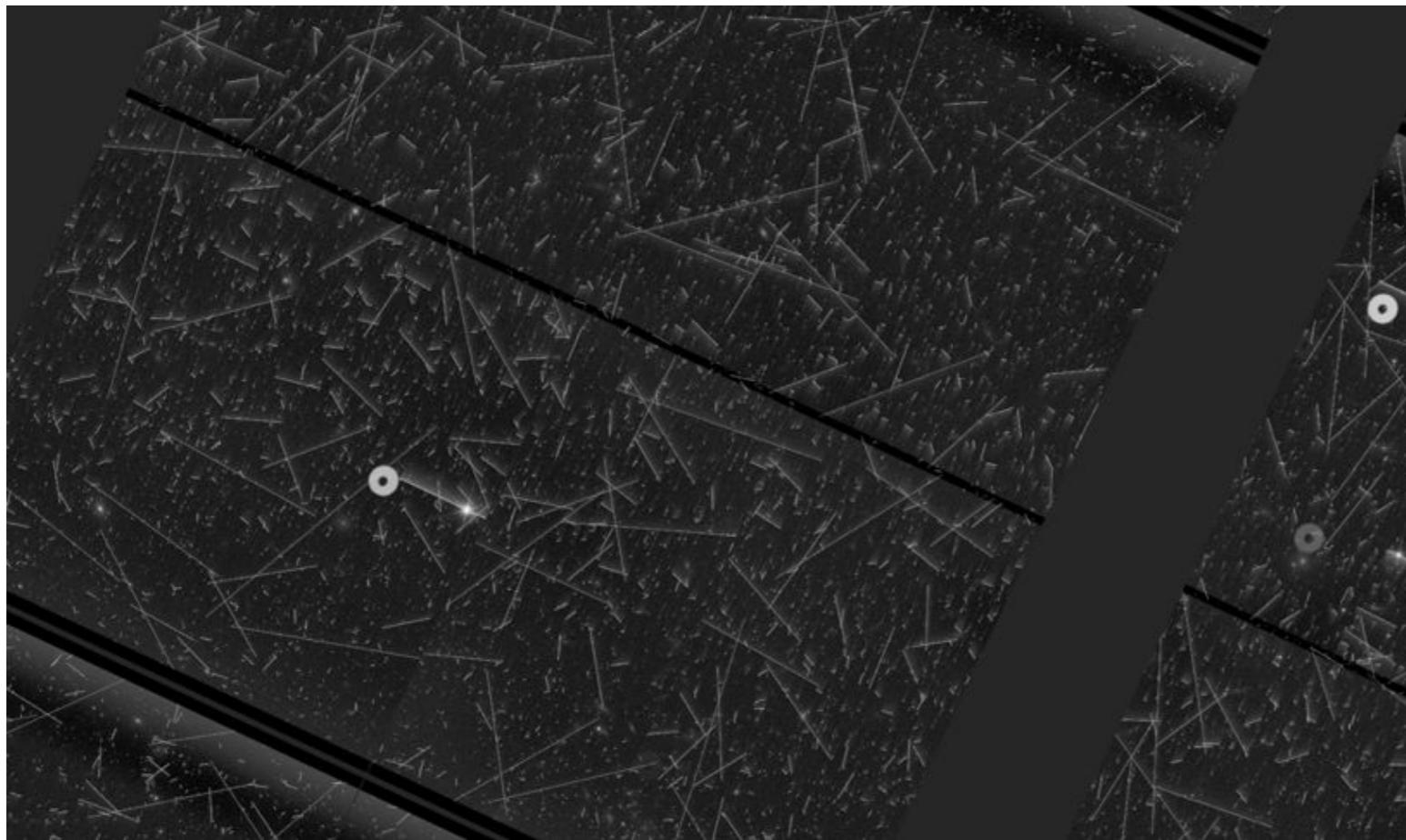
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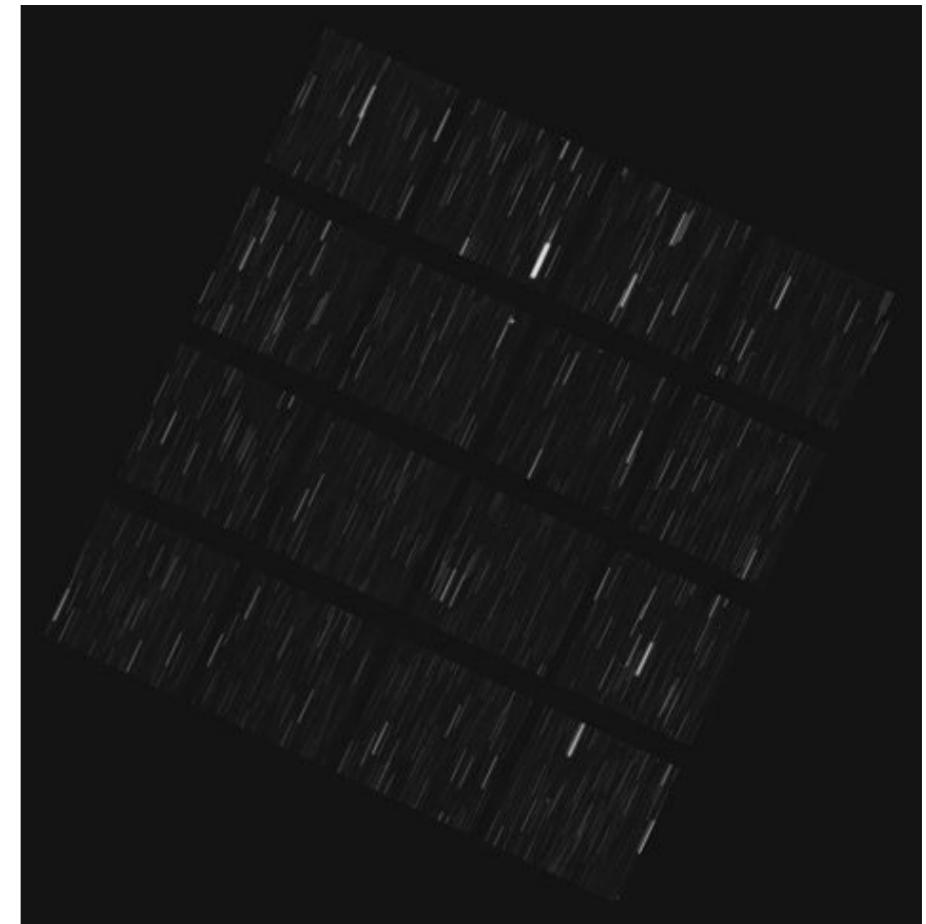
# Pixel Simulation (PAU)



# Pixel Simulation (Euclid)



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NISP-S full focal plane  
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