



# Hobby-Eberly Telescope Dark Energy Experiment

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# Cosmology: Next Decade?

*Large-scale structure of the universe has a potential to give us valuable information on all of these items.*

Cosmology and  
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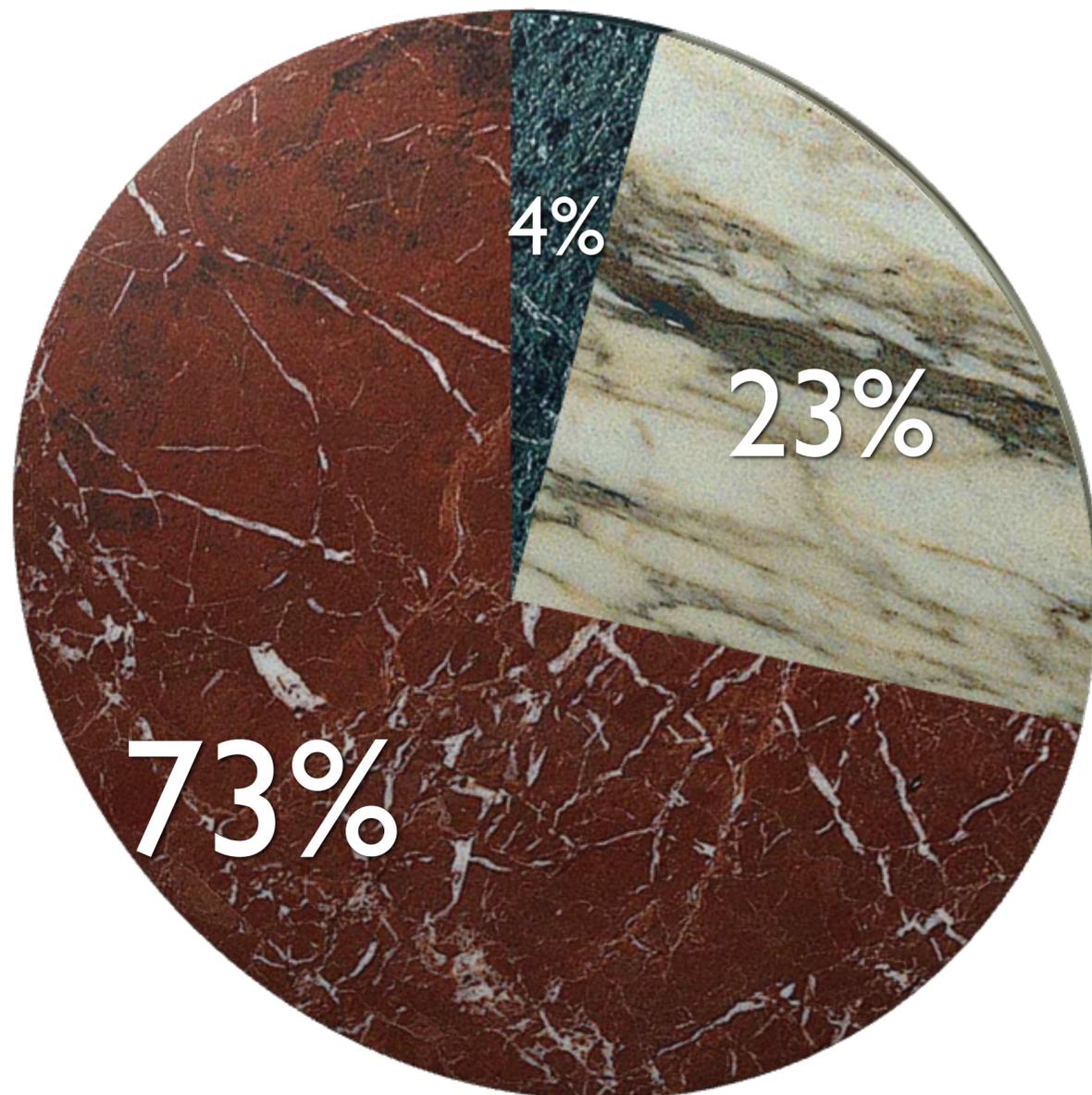
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# Dark Energy

## Energy Content



- What do we need Dark Energy for?

- Baryon
- Dark Matter
- Dark Energy

# Need For Dark “Energy”

- First of all, DE does not even need to be energy.
- At present, *anything* that can explain the observed
  - (1) **Luminosity Distances** (Type Ia supernovae)
  - (2) **Angular Diameter Distances** (BAO, CMB)

*simultaneously* is qualified for being called “Dark Energy.”
- The candidates in the literature include: (a) energy, (b) modified gravity, and (c) extreme inhomogeneity.

# Primary Goal of HETDEX

- Using precision determinations of the **angular diameter distance** and the **Hubble expansion rate** at  $z \sim 2.2$ , constrain (or find!) time-evolution of Dark Energy.
- Can we rule out a cosmological constant?

# What is HETDEX?

- Hobby-Eberly Telescope Dark Energy Experiment (HETDEX) is a **quantum-leap** galaxy survey:
  - The **first** blind spectroscopic large-scale structure survey
    - We do not pre-select objects; objects are emission-line selected; huge discovery potential
  - The **first** 10 Gpc<sup>3</sup>-class survey at high  $z$  [ $1.9 < z < 3.5$ ]
    - The previous big surveys were all done at  $z < 1$
    - High- $z$  surveys barely reached  $\sim 10^{-2} \text{Gpc}^3$

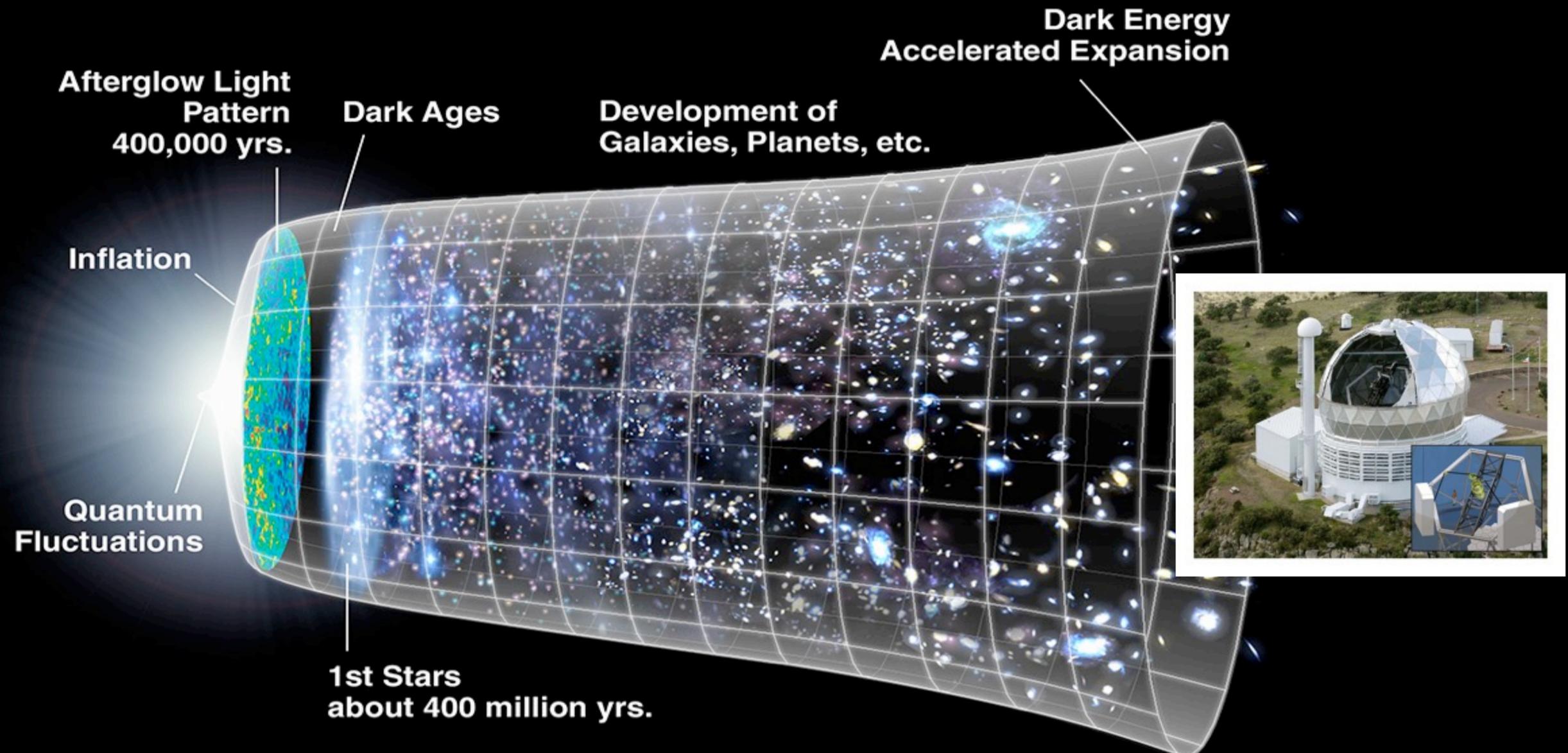
# Who are we?

- About ~50 people at Univ. of Texas; McDonald Observatory; LMU; AIP; MPE; Penn State; Gottingen; Texas A&M; and Oxford
- Principal Investigator: Gary J. Hill (Univ. of Texas)
- Project Scientist: Karl Gebhardt (Univ. of Texas)

# Glad to be in Texas

- In many ways, HETDEX is a Texas-style experiment:
  - Q. How big is a survey telescope? A. 10m
  - Q. Whose telescope is that? A. Ours
  - Q. How many spectra do you take per one exposure? A. More than 33K spectra – *at once*
  - Q. Are you not wasting lots of fibers? A. Yes we are, but so what? **Besides, this is the only way you can find anything truly new!**

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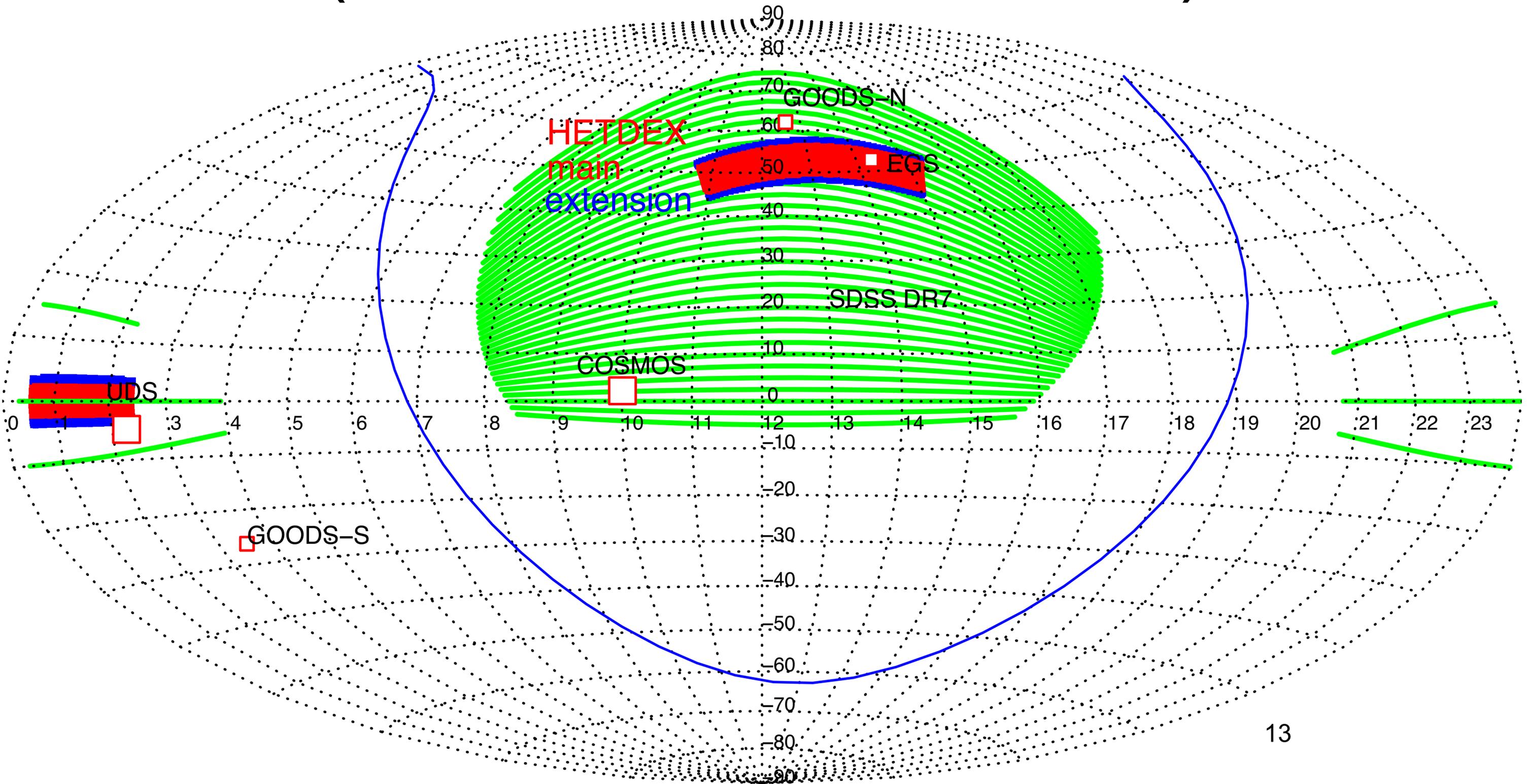


**Use 10-m HET to map the universe using  
0.8M Lyman-alpha emitting galaxies  
in  $z=1.9-3.5$**

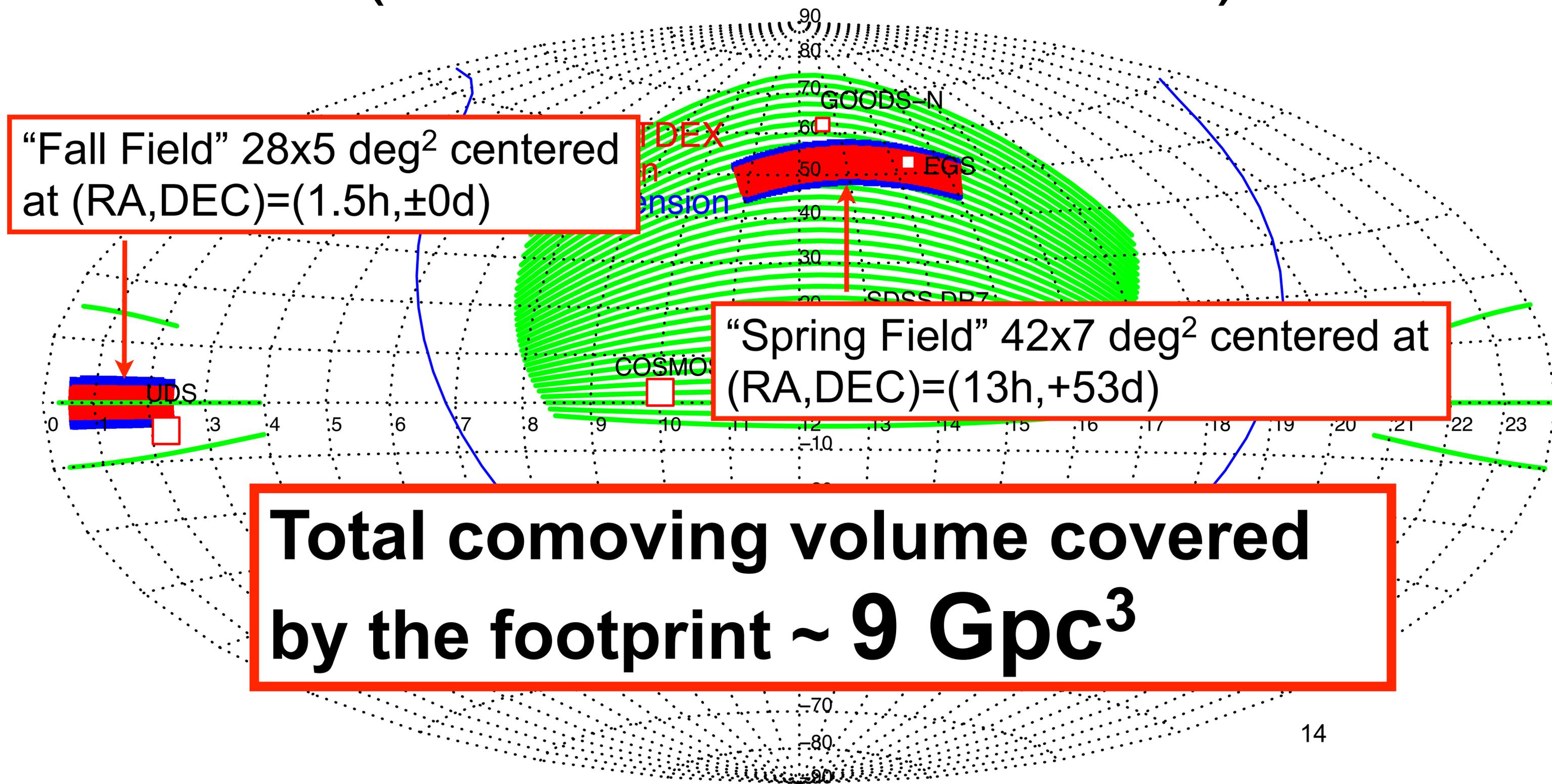
# Many, MANY, spectra

- HETDEX will use the new integral field unit spectrographs called “VIRUS” (Hill et al.)
- We will build and put 75–96 units (depending on the funding available) on a focal plane
- Each unit has two spectrographs
- Each spectrograph has 224 fibers
- Therefore, **VIRUS will have 33K to 43K fibers on a single focal place** (Texas size!)

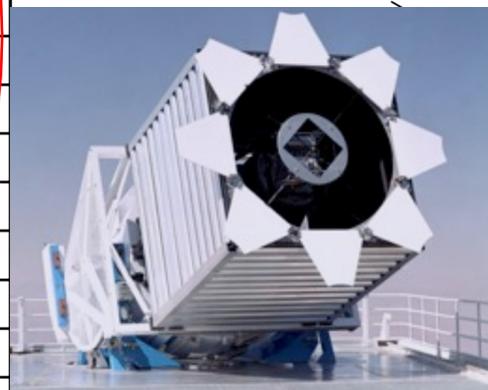
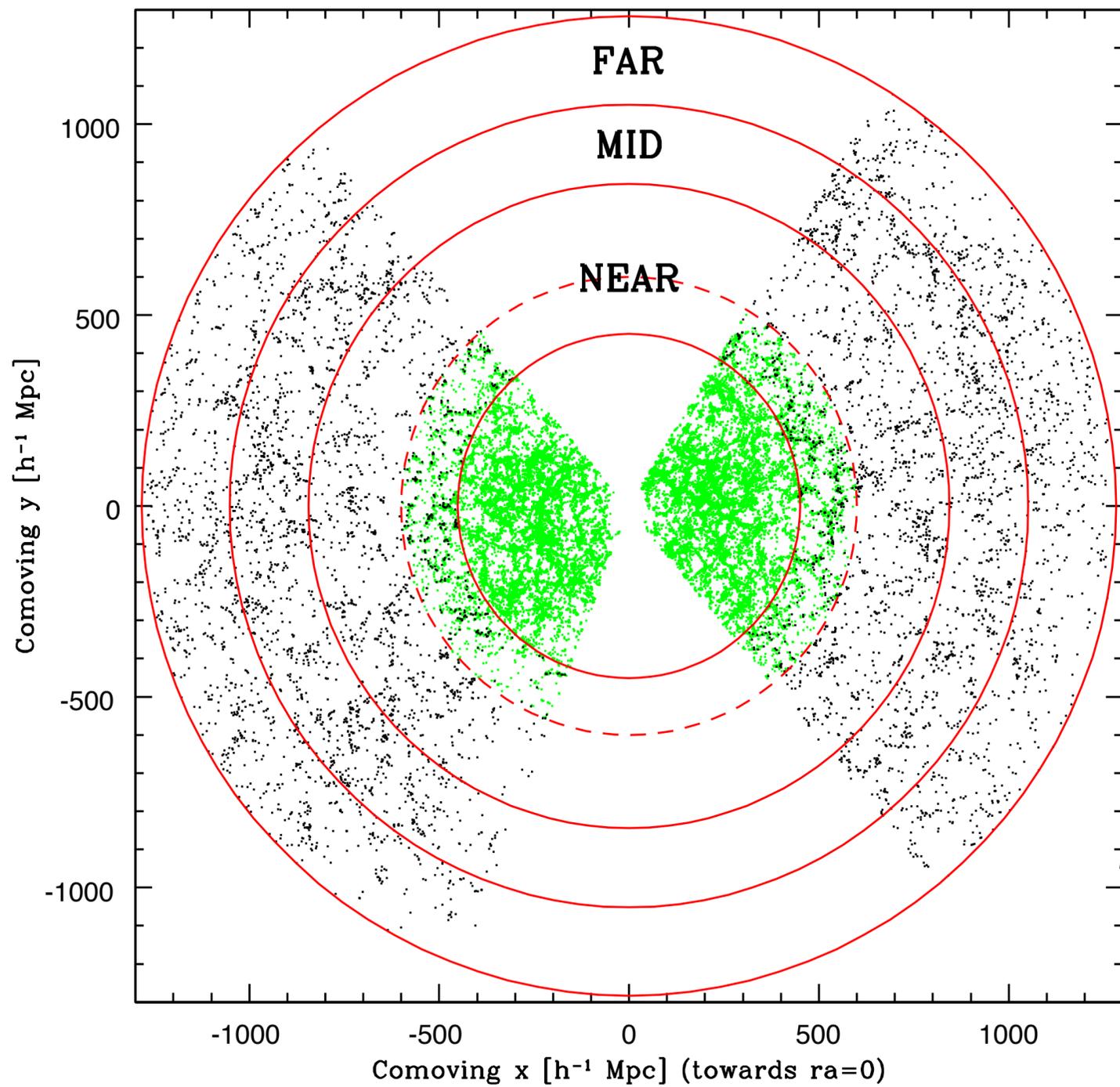
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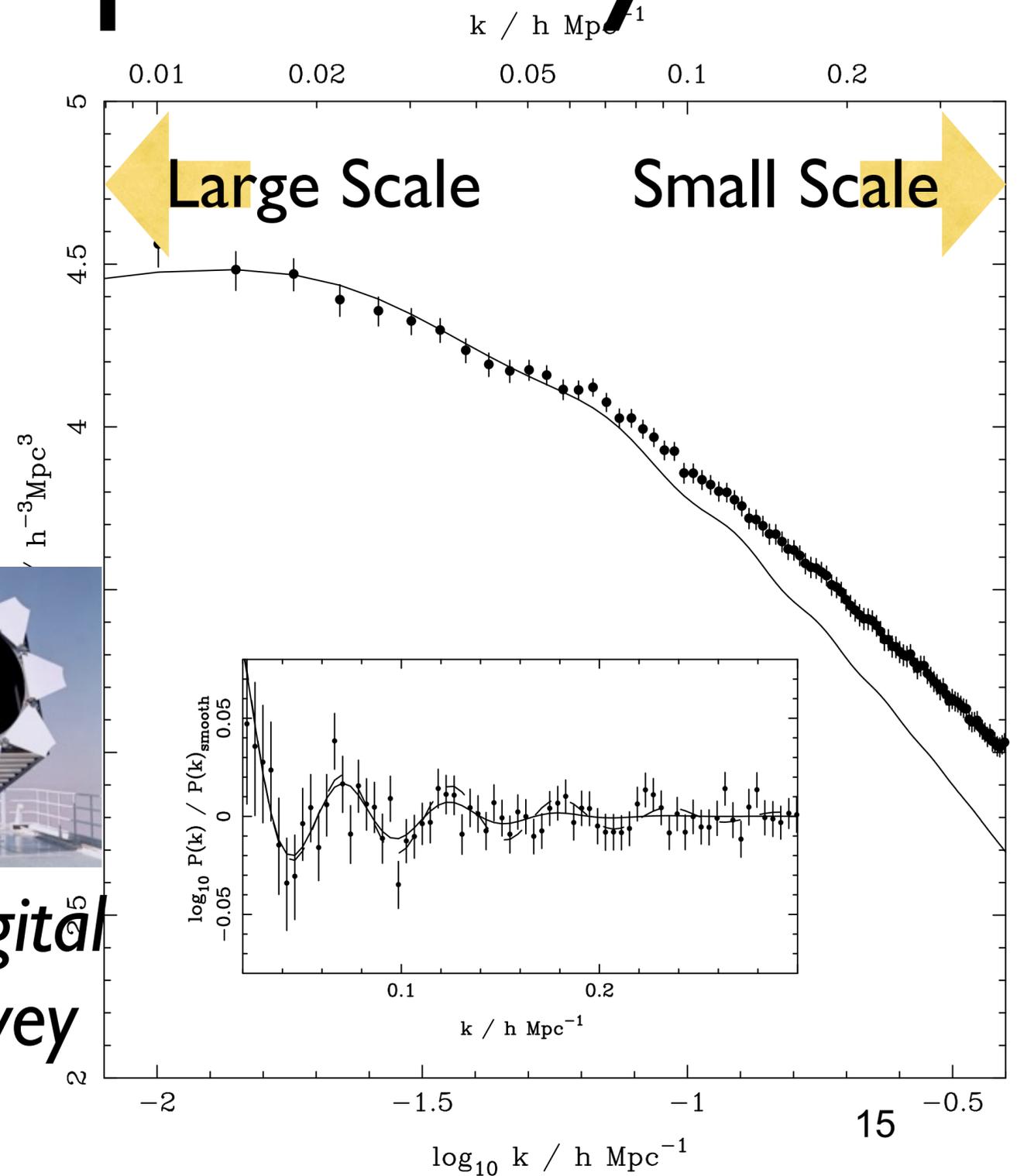
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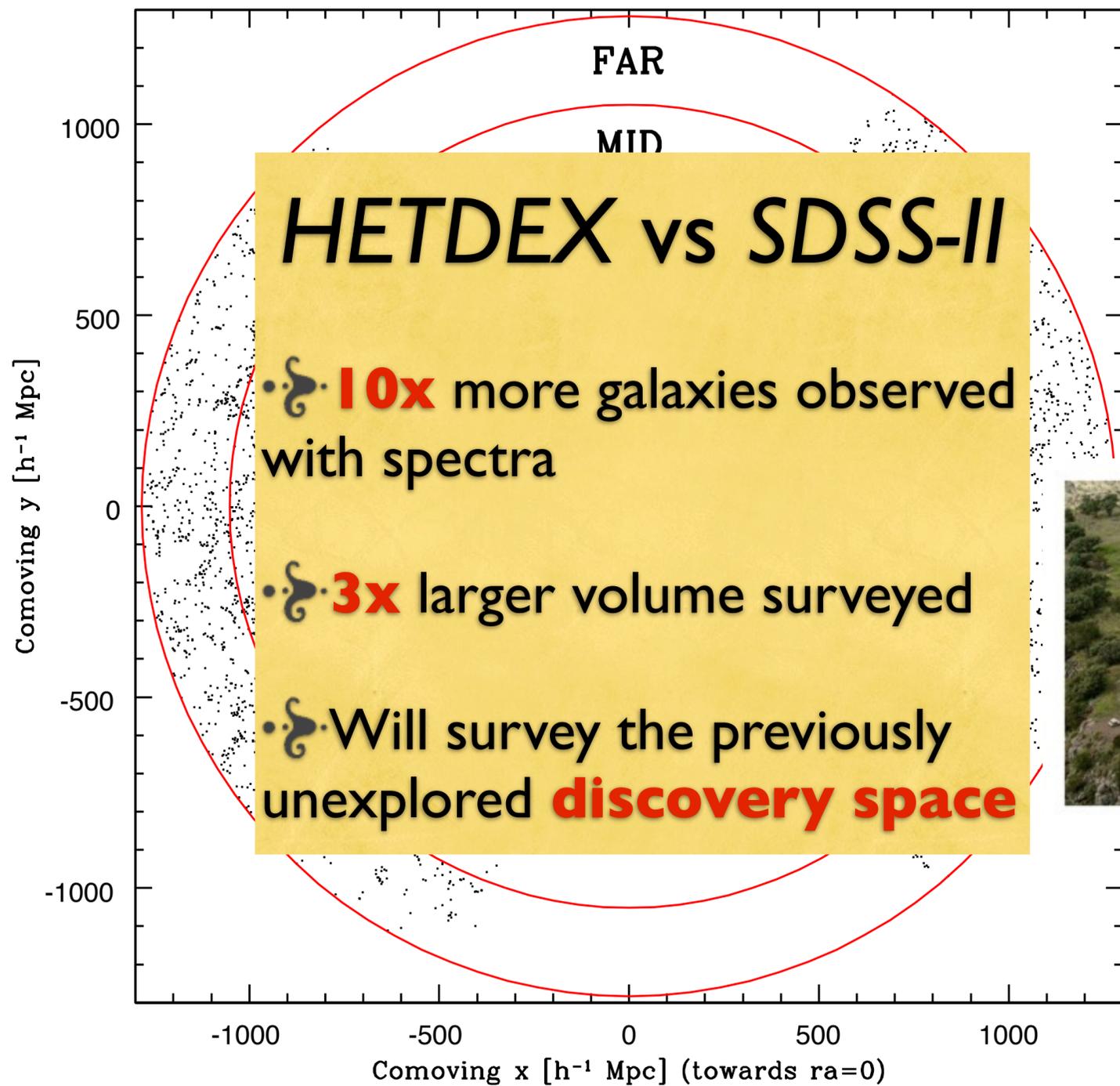
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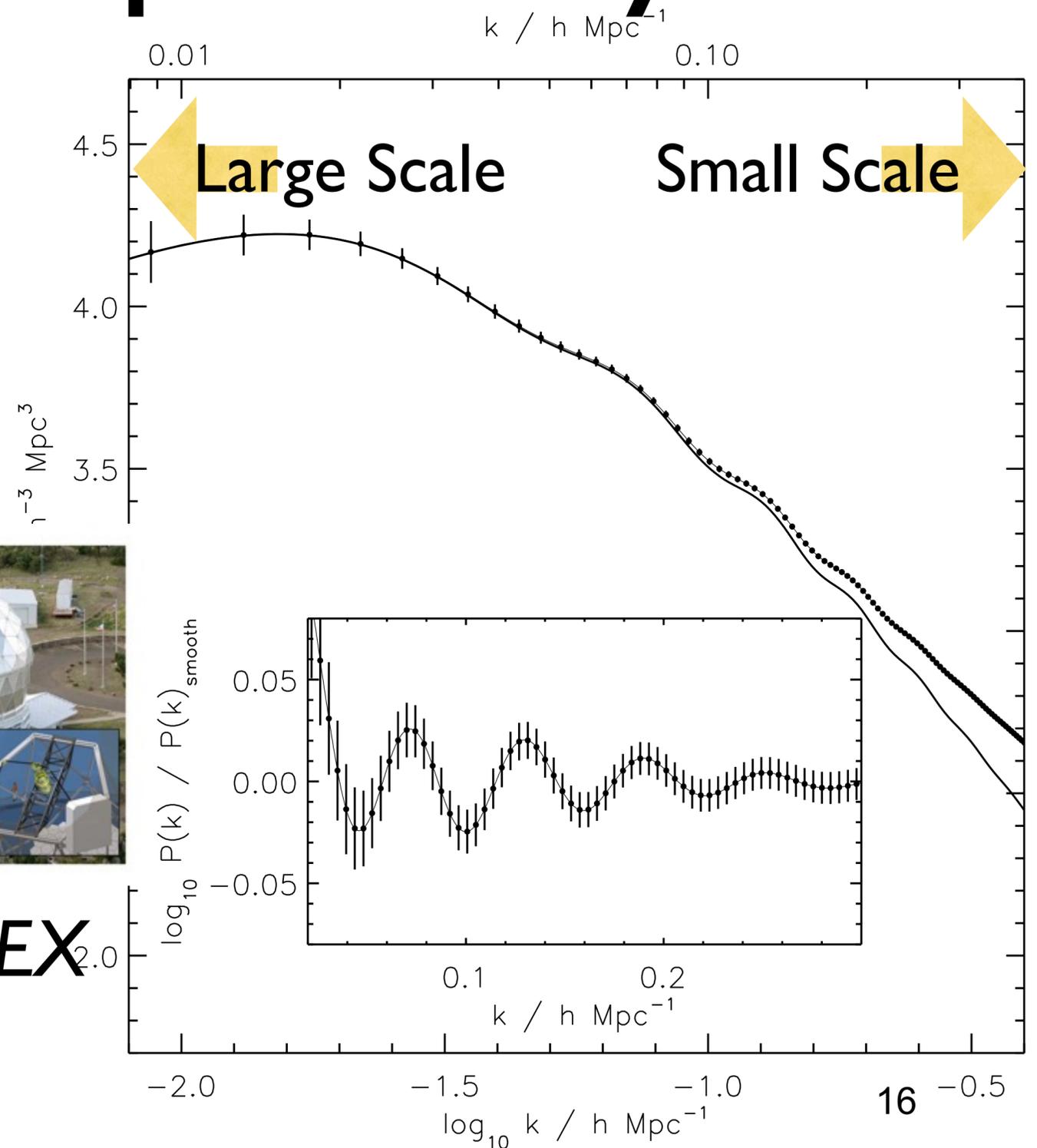
*Sloan Digital Sky Survey*

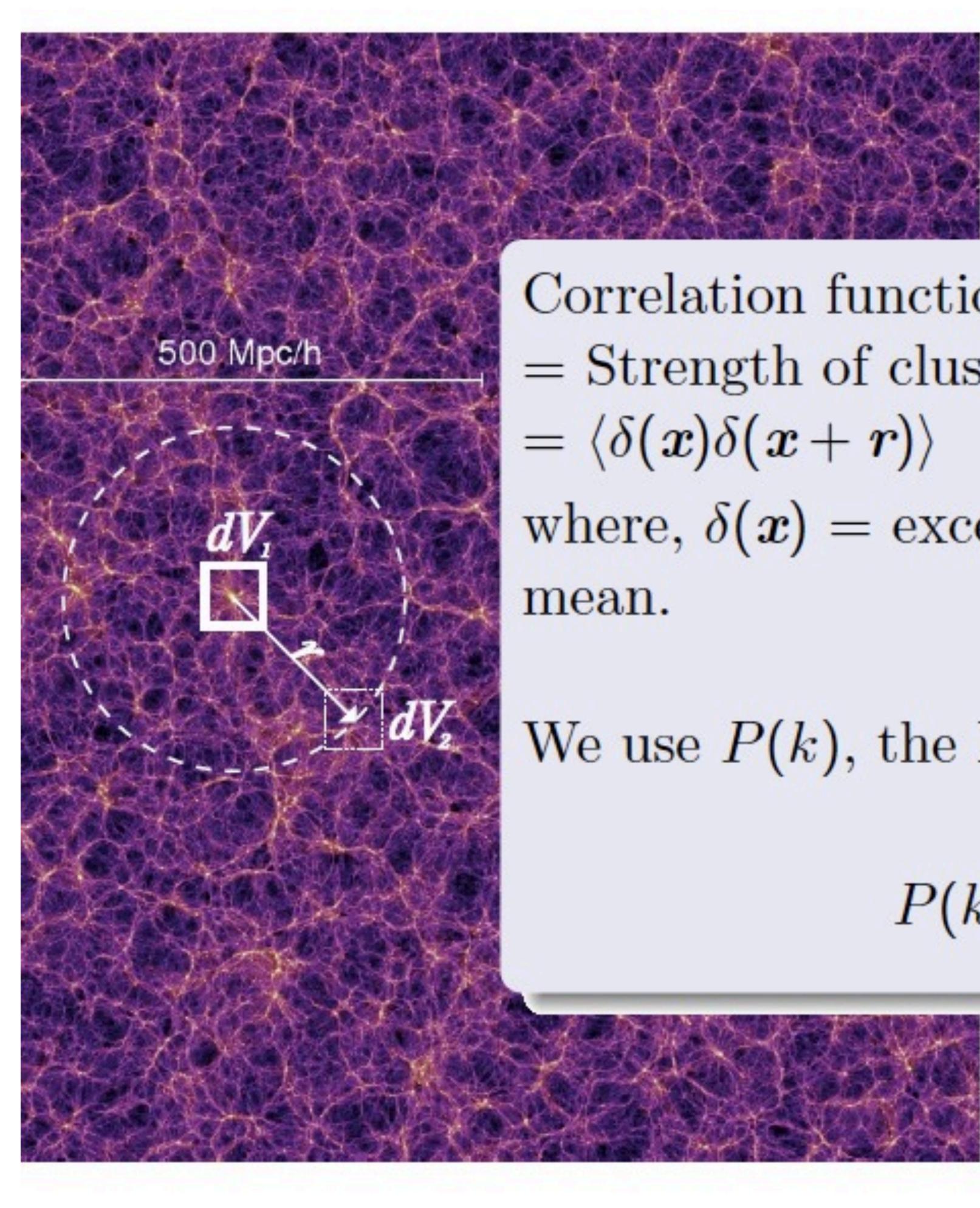


# HETDEX: A Quantum Leap Survey



**HETDEX**



A visualization of the cosmic web, showing a complex network of filaments and nodes. A dashed white circle is centered on a node. A horizontal line above the circle is labeled "500 Mpc/h". Two small white squares, labeled  $dV_1$  and  $dV_2$ , are placed at different locations within the circle. A double-headed arrow between them is labeled  $r$ .

500 Mpc/h

Correlation function  $\xi(r)$

= Strength of clustering at a given separation  $r$

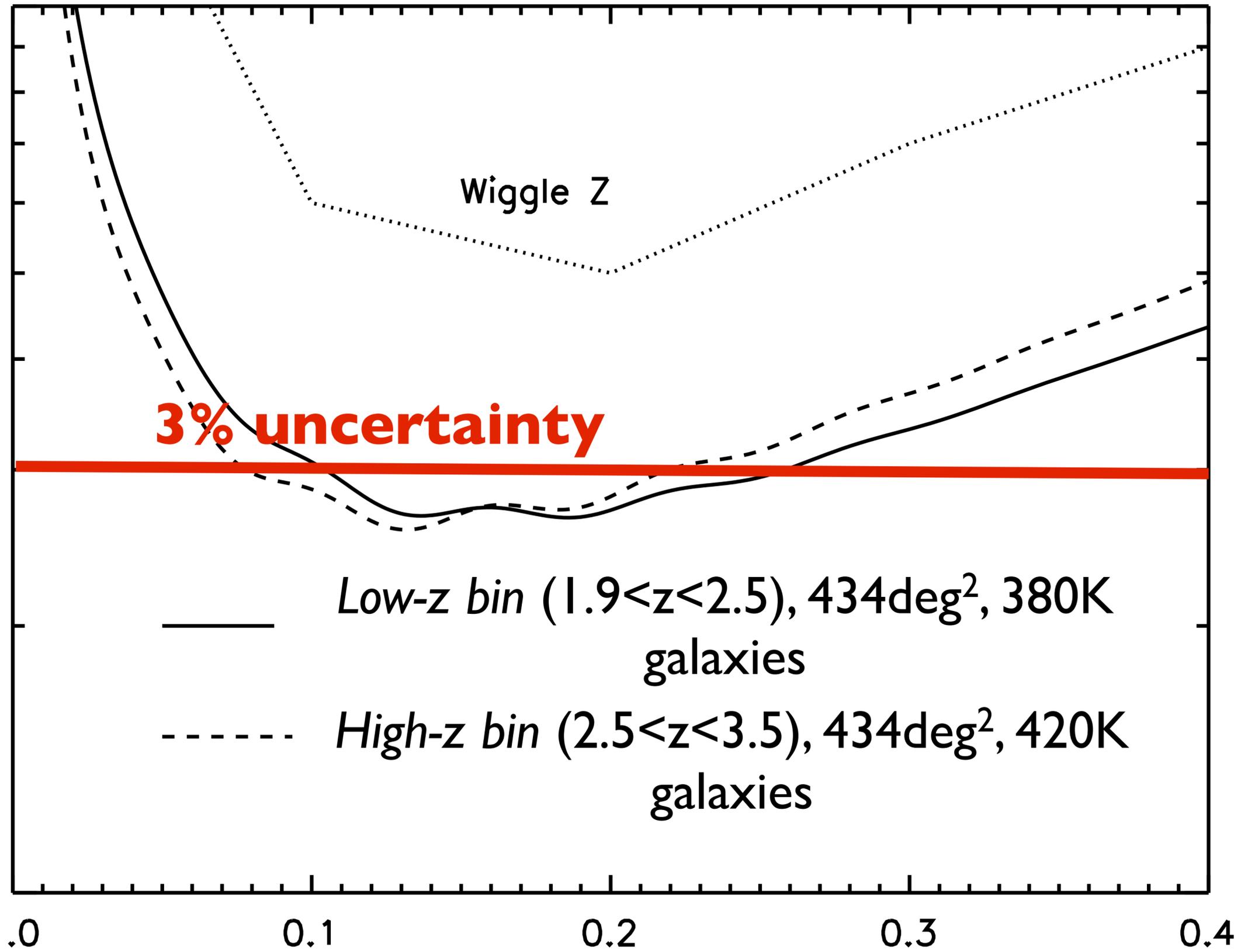
$$= \langle \delta(\mathbf{x})\delta(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) \rangle$$

where,  $\delta(\mathbf{x}) =$  excess number of galaxies above the mean.

We use  $P(k)$ , the Fourier transform of  $\xi(r)$  :

$$P(k) = \int d^3\mathbf{r} \xi(r) e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$

Fractional Error in  $P_{\text{galaxy}}(k)$   
per  $\Delta k = 0.01 h \text{Mpc}^{-1}$  **10%**



Wavenumber,  $k$  [ $h \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ ]

# What do we detect?

- $\lambda=350\text{--}550\text{nm}$  with the resolving power of  $R=800$  would give us:
  - $\sim 0.8\text{M}$  Lyman-alpha emitting galaxies at  $1.9 < z < 3.5$
  - $\sim 2\text{M}$  [OII] emitting galaxies
  - ...and lots of other stuff (like white dwarfs)

# One way to impress you

- So far, about ~1000 Lyman-alpha emitting galaxies have been discovered over the last decade
- These are interesting objects – relatively low-mass, low-dust, star-forming galaxies
- We will detect that many Lyman-alpha emitting galaxies within the **first 2 hours** of the HETDEX survey

# What can HETDEX do?

- Primary goal: *to detect the influence of dark energy on the expansion rate at  $z \sim 2$  directly*, even if it is a cosmological constant
- Supernova cannot do this.
- In addition, we can address many other cosmological and astrophysical issues.

# Other “Prime” Goals

- **Is the observable universe really flat?**

- We can improve upon the current limit on  $\Omega_{\text{curvature}}$  by a factor of 10 – to reach  $\Omega_{\text{curvature}} \sim 10^{-3}$  level.

- **How large is the neutrino mass?**

- We can detect the neutrino mass if the total mass is greater than about 0.1 eV [current limit: total mass < 0.5eV]
- The absolute lower limit to the total mass from neutrino experiments is the total mass > 0.05 eV. Not so far away!

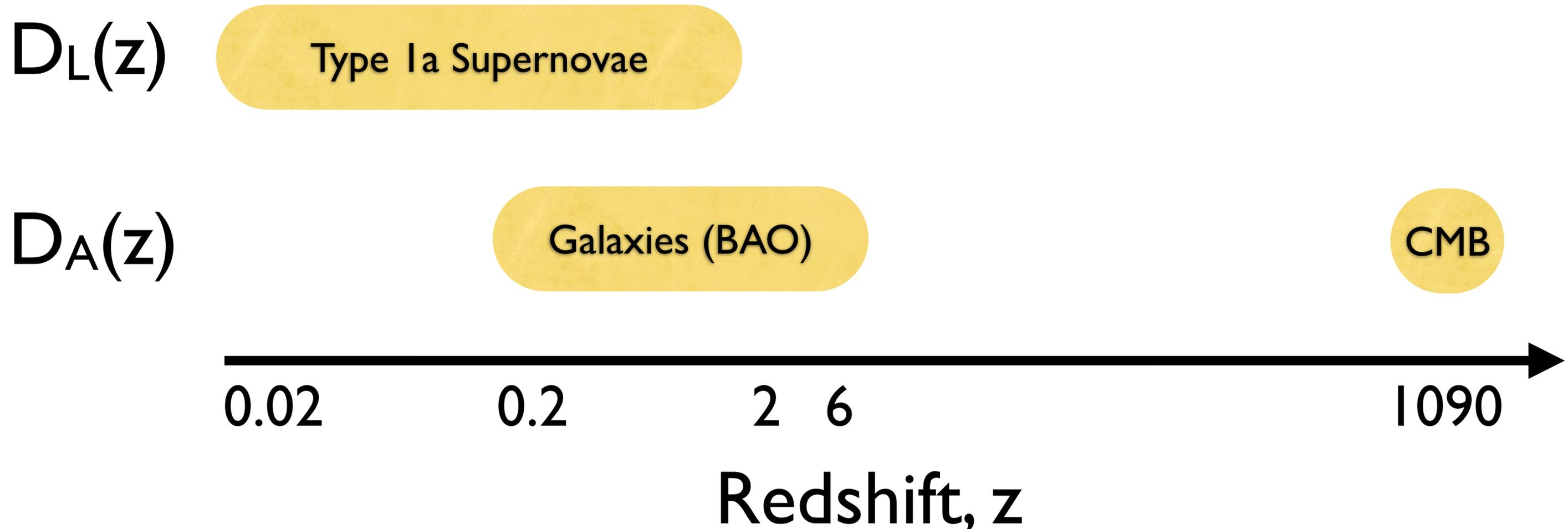
# “Sub-prime” Goals

- The name, “Sub-prime science,” was coined by Casey Papovich
- Being the first blind spectroscopic survey, HETDEX is expected to find unexpected objects.
- Also, we expect to have an unbiased catalog of white dwarfs; metal-poor stars; distant clusters of galaxies; etc

# The Goal

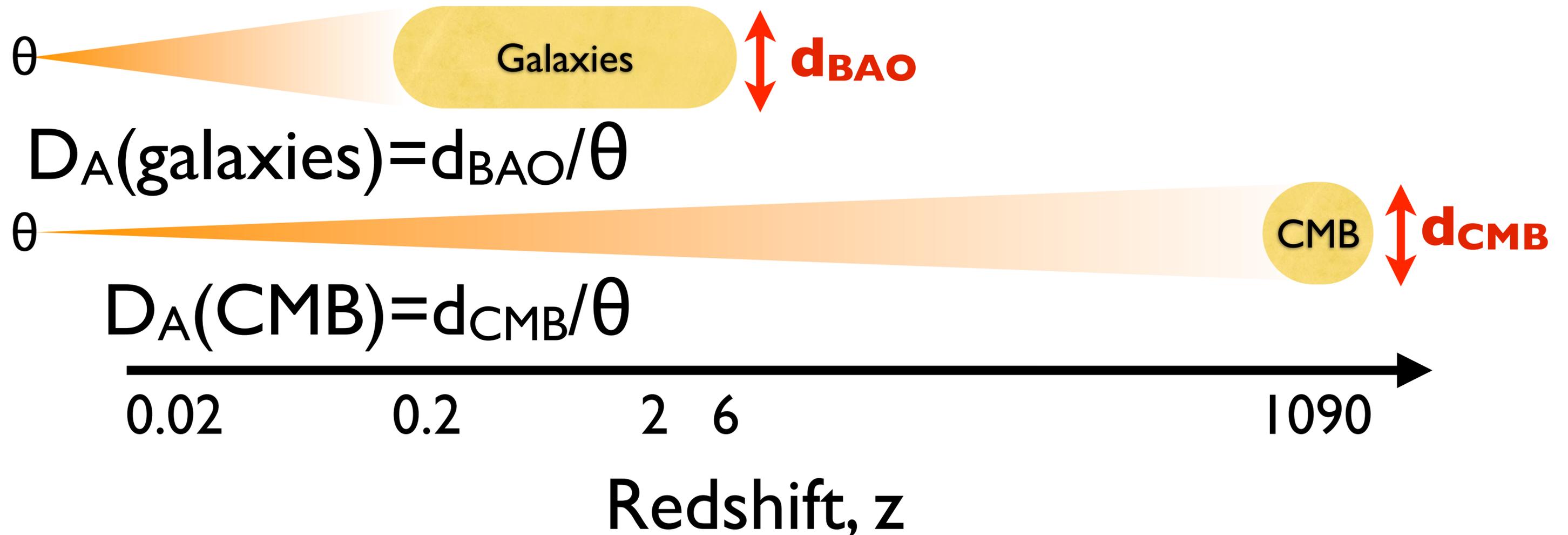
- Measuring the angular diameter distance,  $D_A(z)$ , and the Hubble expansion rate,  $H(z)$ .

$$D_L(z) = (1+z)^2 D_A(z)$$



- To measure  $D_A(z)$ , we need to know the intrinsic size.
- What can we use as the *standard ruler*?

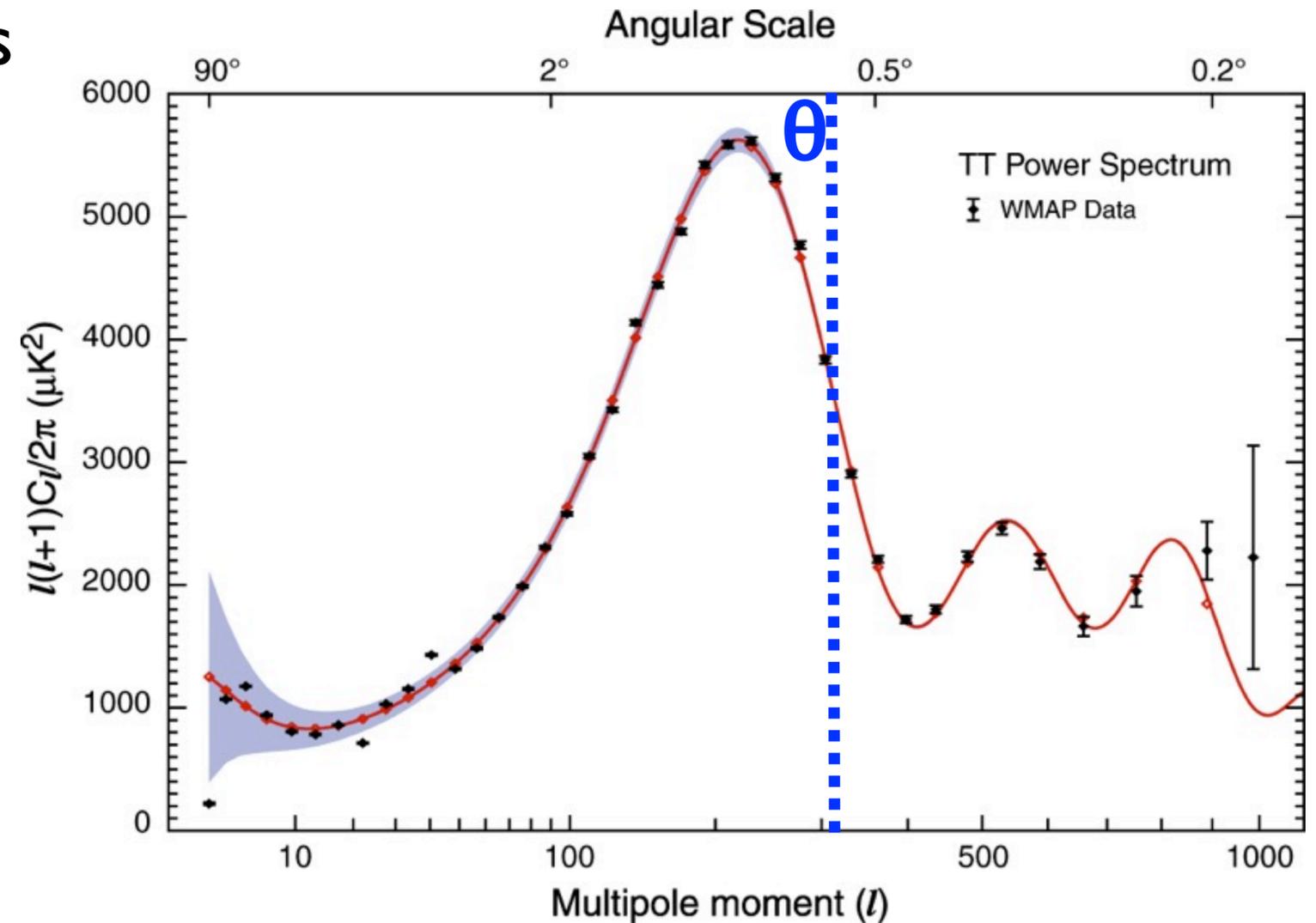
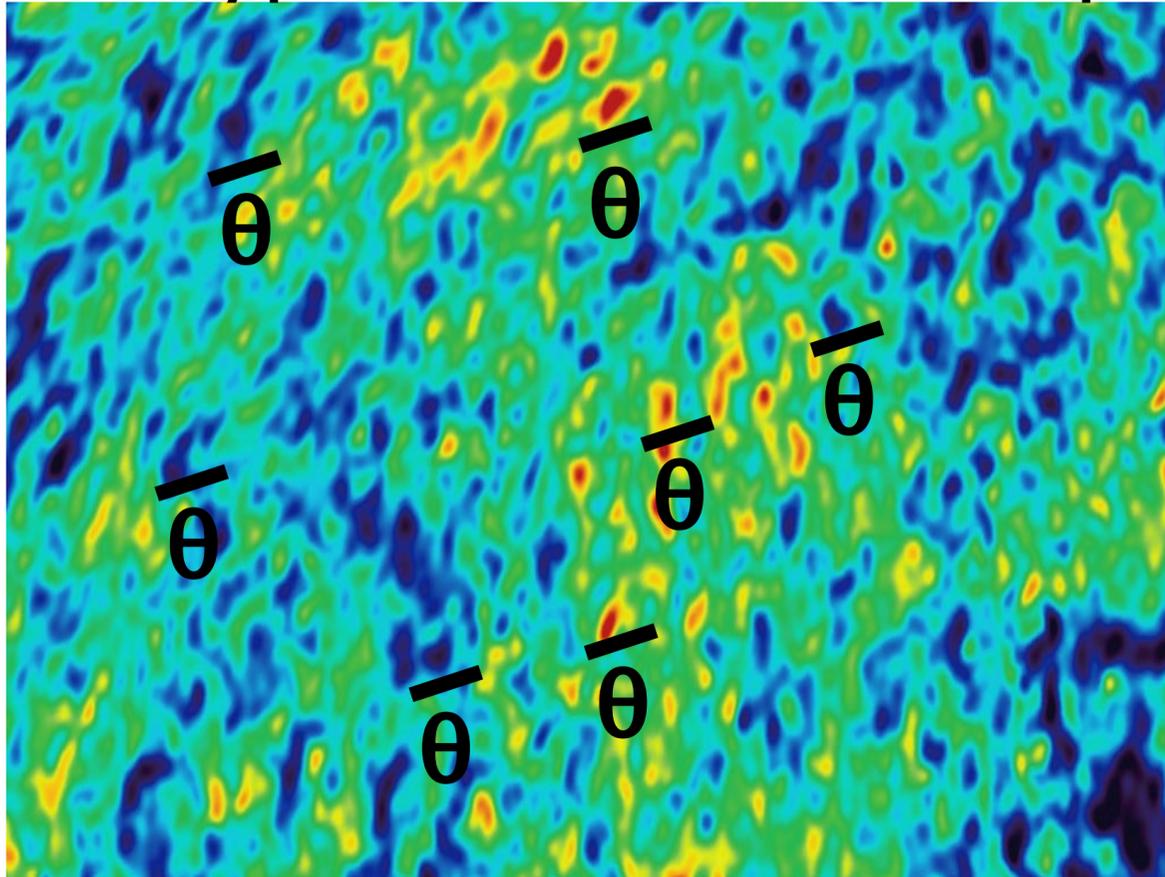
# How Do We Measure $D_A(z)$ ?



- If we know the intrinsic physical sizes,  $d$ , we can measure  $D_A$ . What determines  $d$ ?

# CMB as a Standard Ruler

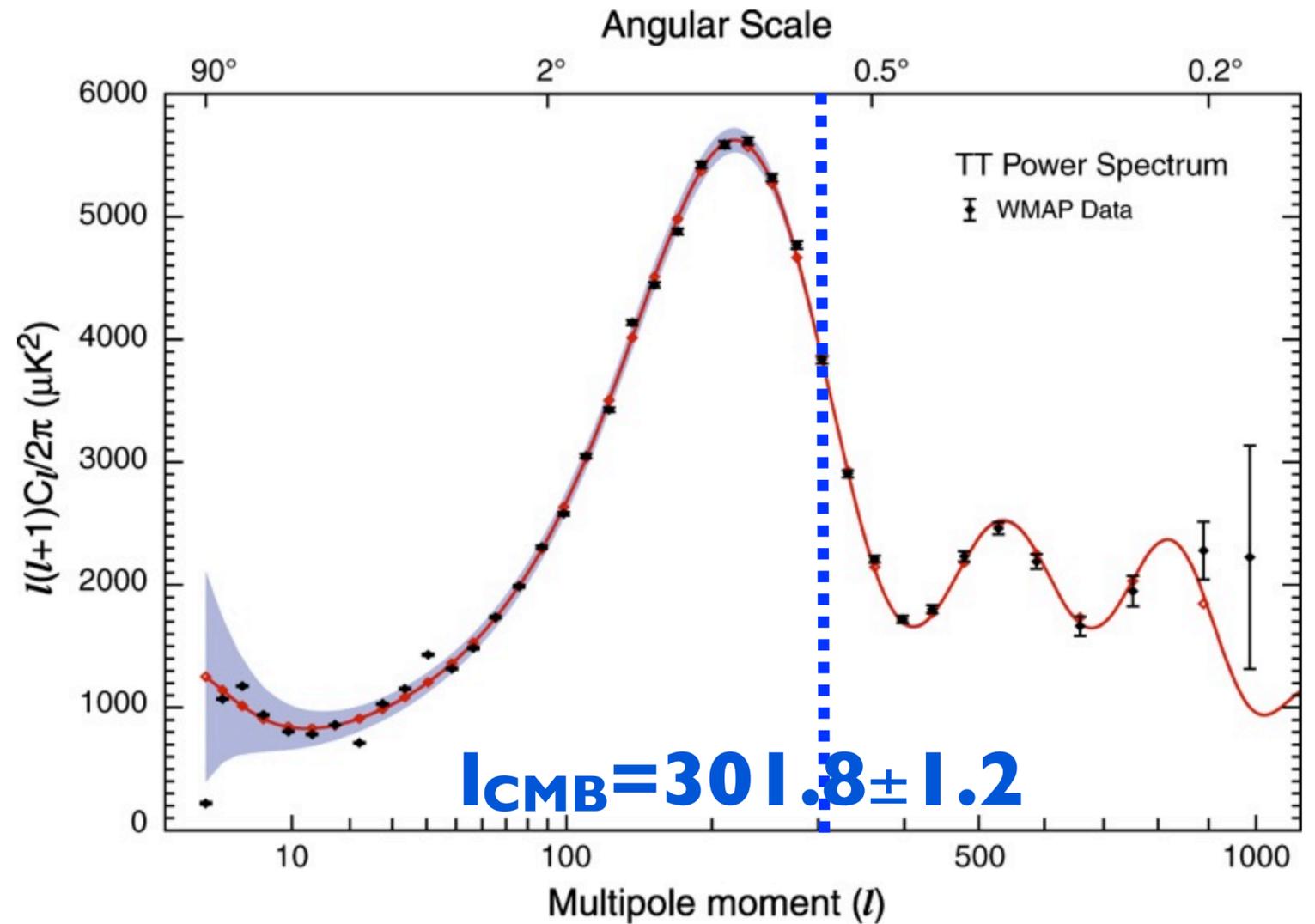
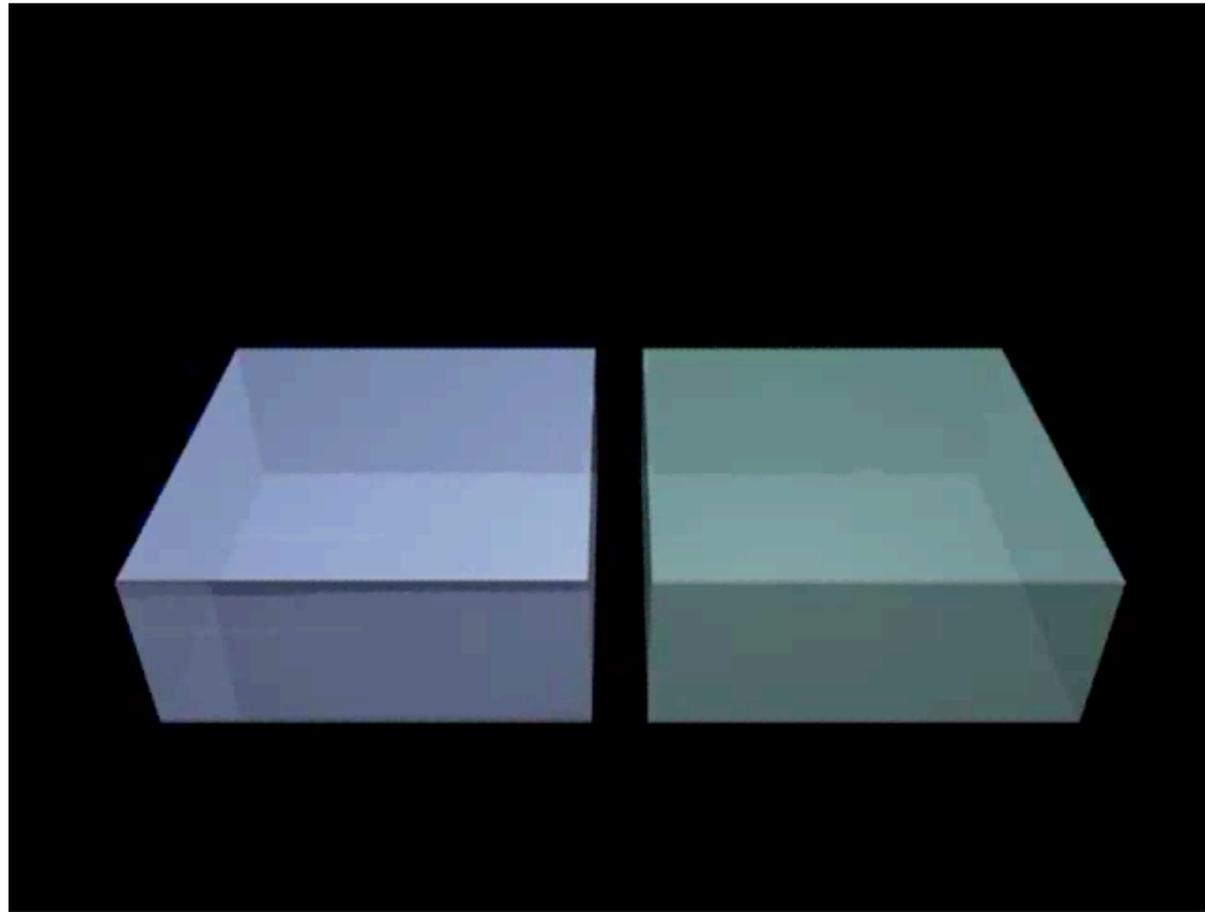
$\theta$  ~ the typical size of hot/cold spots



- The existence of typical spot size in image space yields oscillations in harmonic (Fourier) space. What determines the physical size of typical spots,  $d_{\text{CMB}}$ ?

# Sound Horizon

- The typical spot size,  $d_{\text{CMB}}$ , is determined by the **physical distance traveled by the sound wave** from the Big Bang to the decoupling of photons at  $z_{\text{CMB}} \sim 1090$  ( $t_{\text{CMB}} \sim 380,000$  years).
- The causal horizon (photon horizon) at  $t_{\text{CMB}}$  is given by
  - $d_{\text{H}}(t_{\text{CMB}}) = a(t_{\text{CMB}}) * \text{Integrate} [ \mathbf{c} \, dt/a(t), \{t, 0, t_{\text{CMB}}\} ]$ .
- The sound horizon at  $t_{\text{CMB}}$  is given by
  - $d_{\text{s}}(t_{\text{CMB}}) = a(t_{\text{CMB}}) * \text{Integrate} [ \mathbf{c}_{\text{s}}(\mathbf{t}) \, dt/a(t), \{t, 0, t_{\text{CMB}}\} ]$ , where  $c_{\text{s}}(t)$  is the time-dependent **speed of sound of photon-baryon fluid**.



*Hinshaw et al. (2007)*

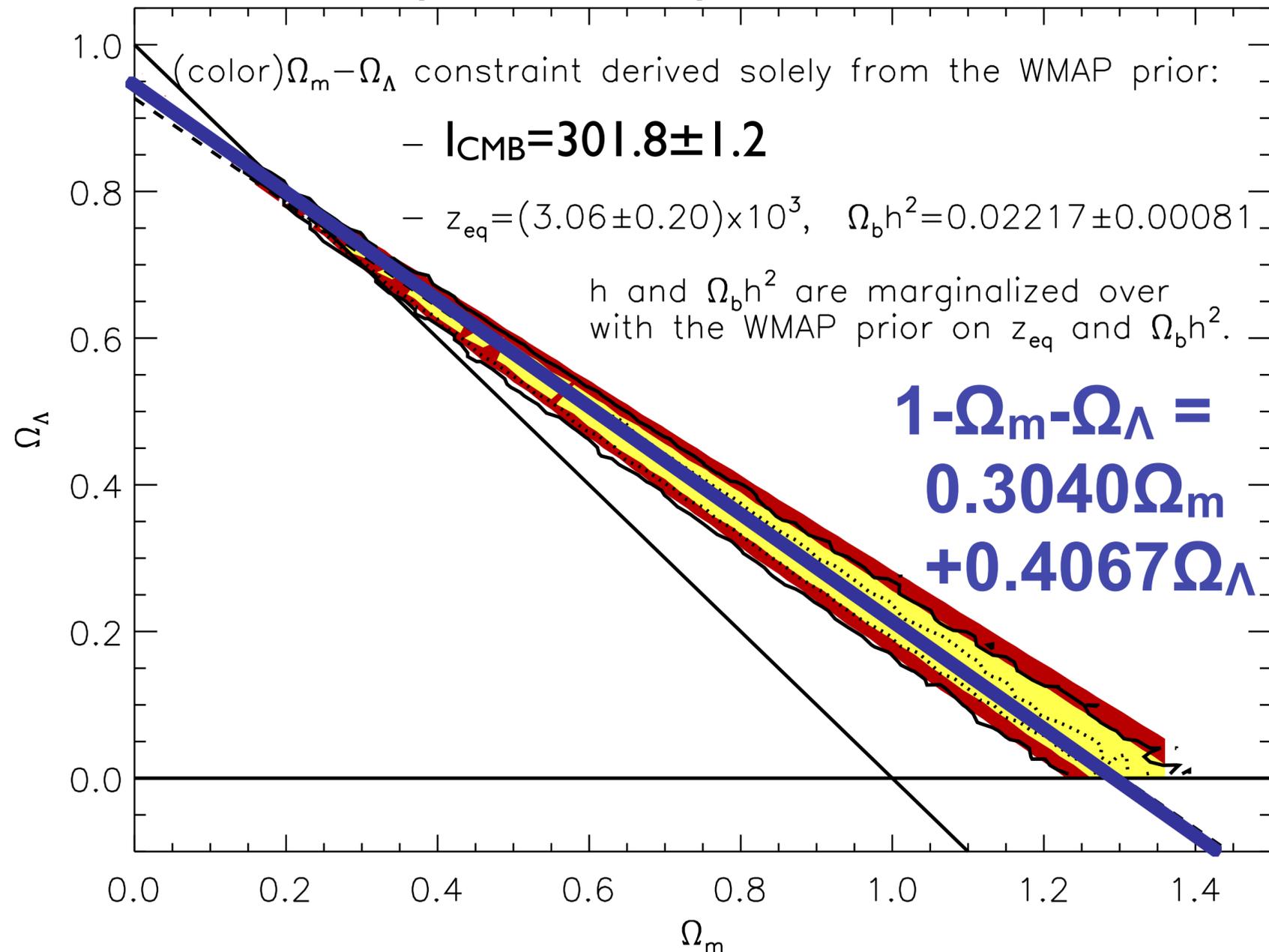
- The WMAP 3-year Number:

- $l_{\text{CMB}} = \pi/\theta = \pi D_A(z_{\text{CMB}})/d_s(z_{\text{CMB}}) = 301.8 \pm 1.2$

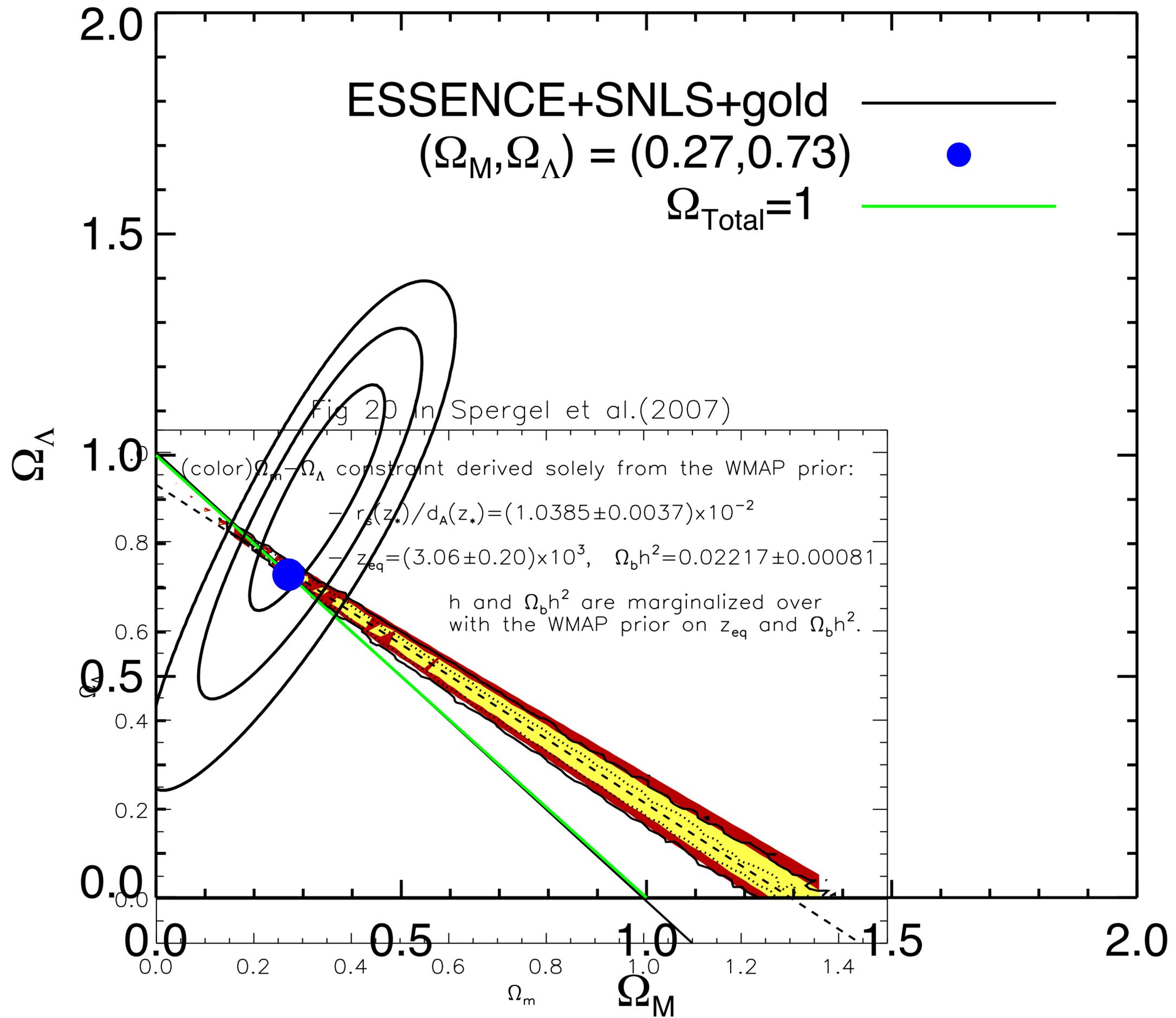
- CMB data constrain the ratio,  $D_A(z_{\text{CMB}})/d_s(z_{\text{CMB}})$ .<sup>29</sup>

# What $D_A(z_{\text{CMB}})/d_s(z_{\text{CMB}})$ Gives You

Fig 20 in Spergel et al.(2007)

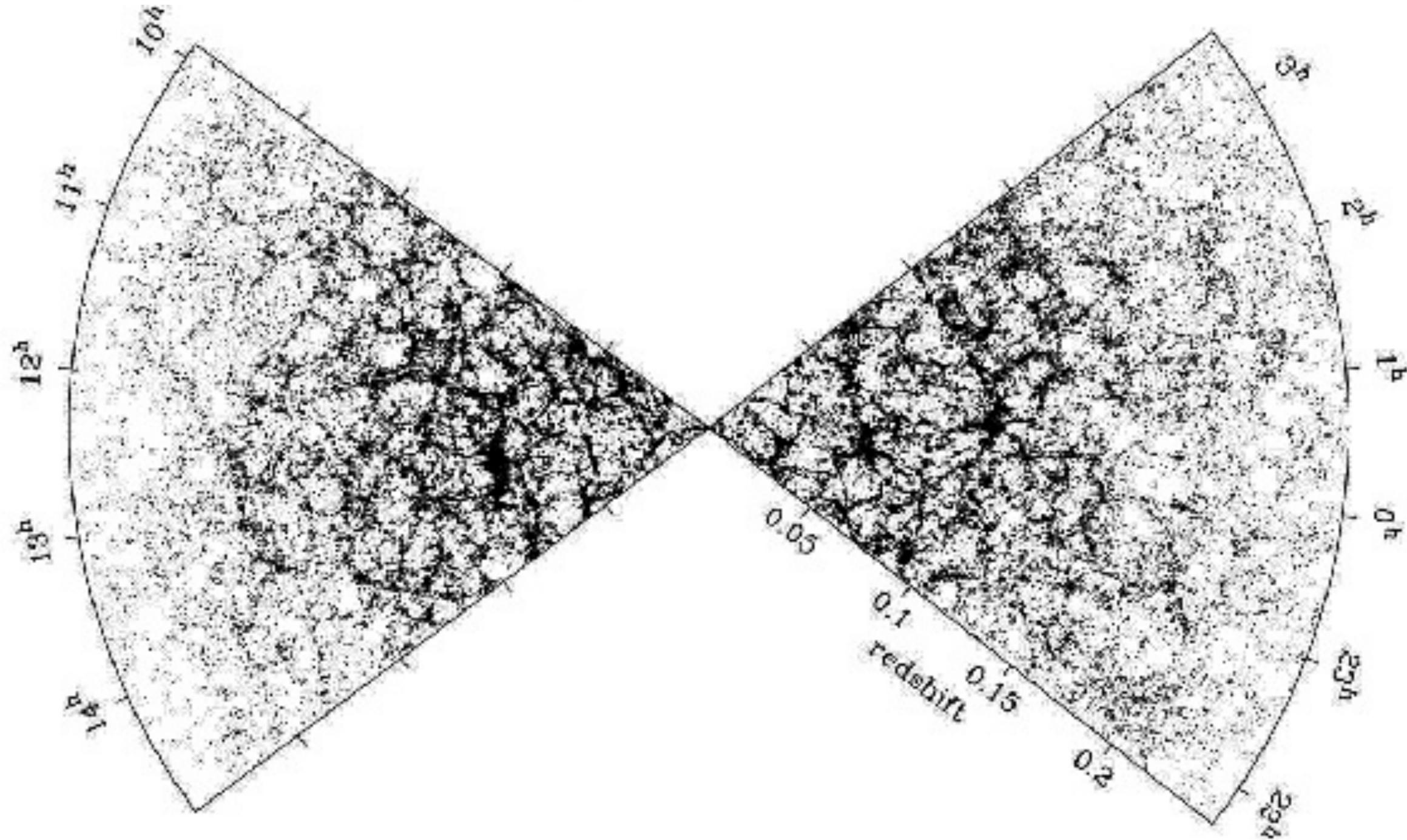


- **Color**: constraint from  $l_{\text{CMB}} = \pi D_A(z_{\text{CMB}})/d_s(z_{\text{CMB}})$  with  $z_{\text{EQ}}$  &  $\Omega_b h^2$ .
- **Black contours**: Markov Chain from WMAP 3yr (Spergel et al. 2007)



# BAO in Galaxy Distribution

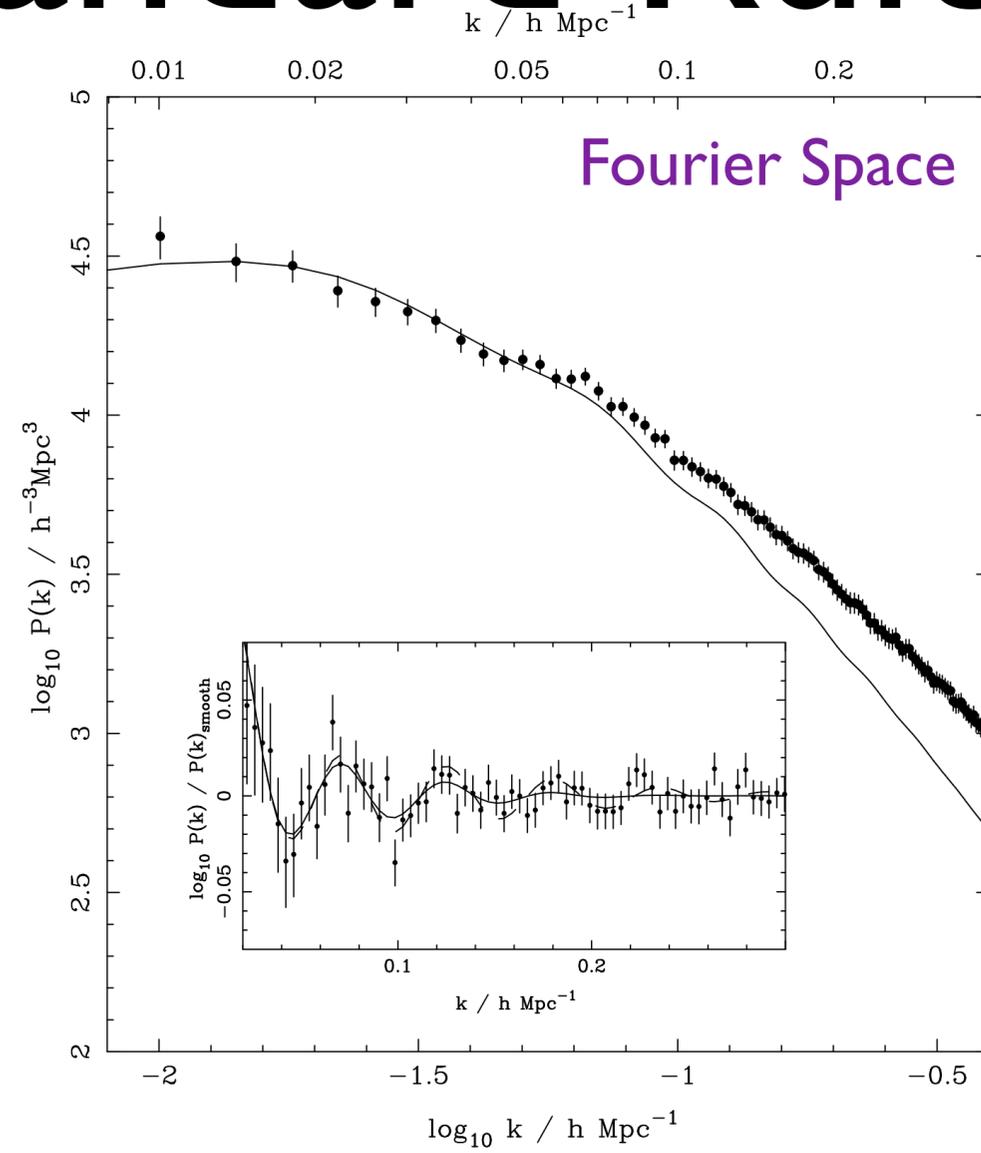
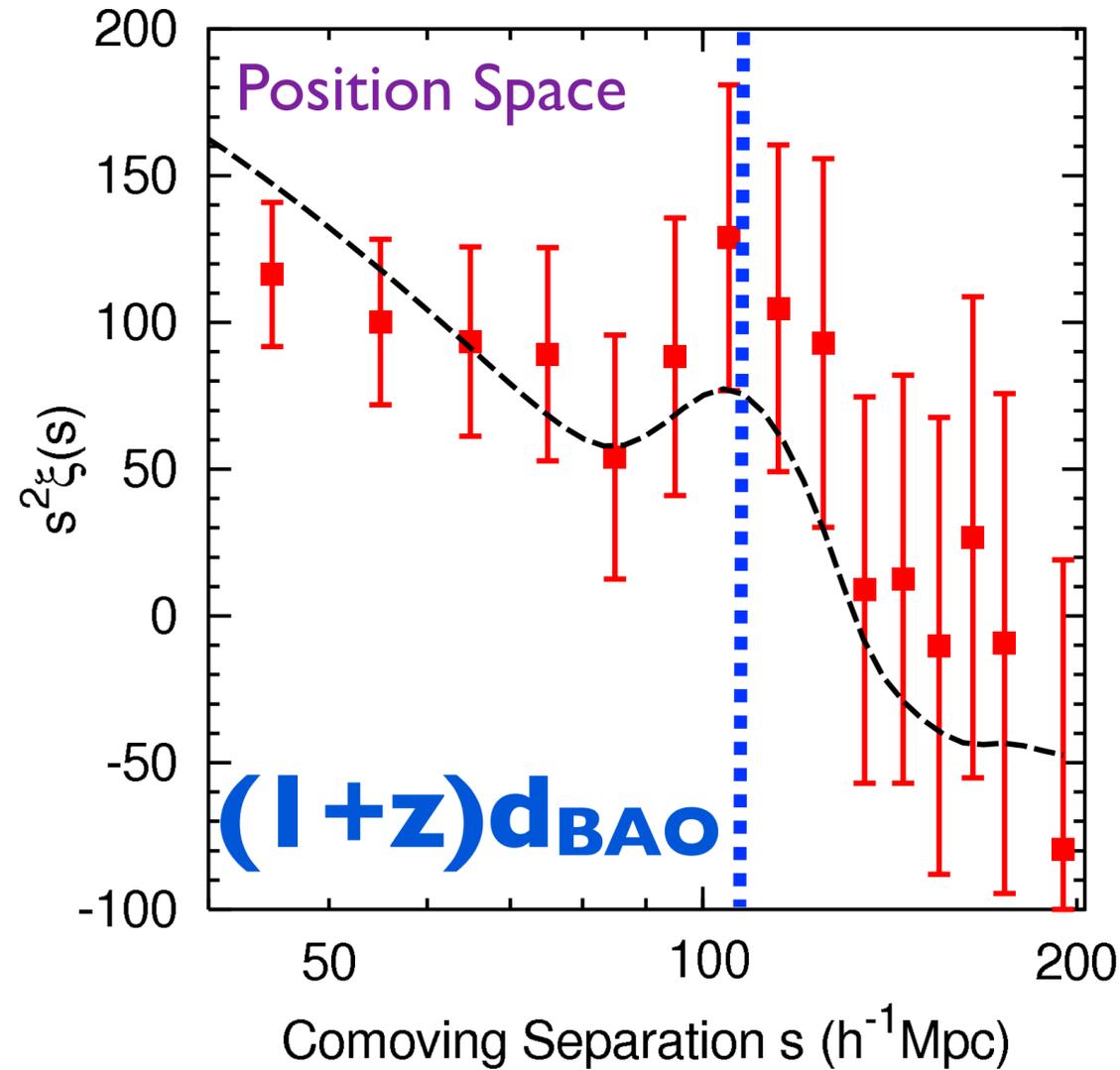
2dFGRS



- The acoustic oscillations should be hidden in this galaxy distribution...

# BAO as a Standard Ruler

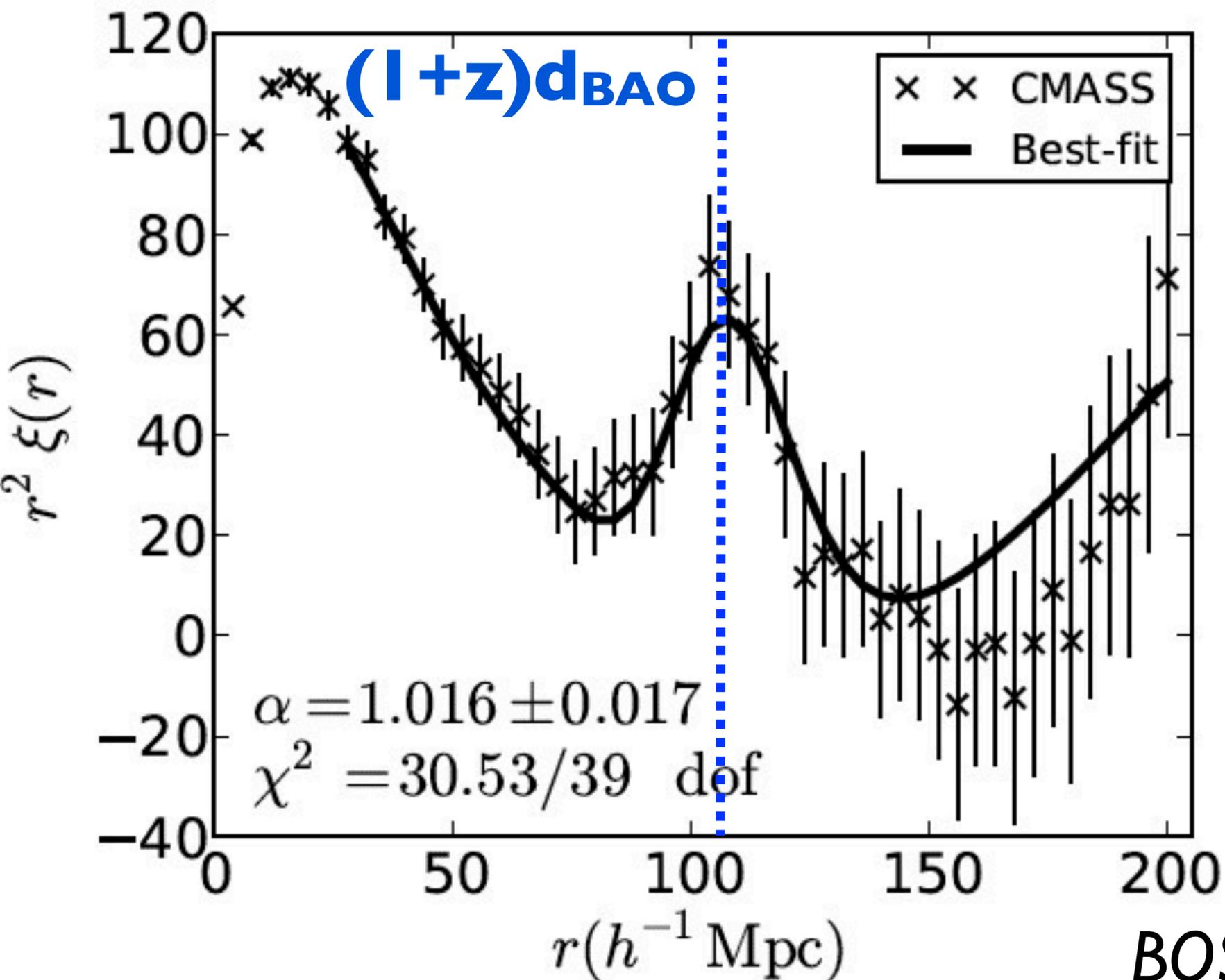
*Okumura et al. (2007)*



*Percival et al. (2006)*

- The existence of a localized clustering scale in the 2-point function yields oscillations in Fourier space. What determines the physical size of clustering,  $d_{\text{BAO}}$ ?

# Latest Measurement of BAO at $z=0.57$ (BOSS/SDSS-III)

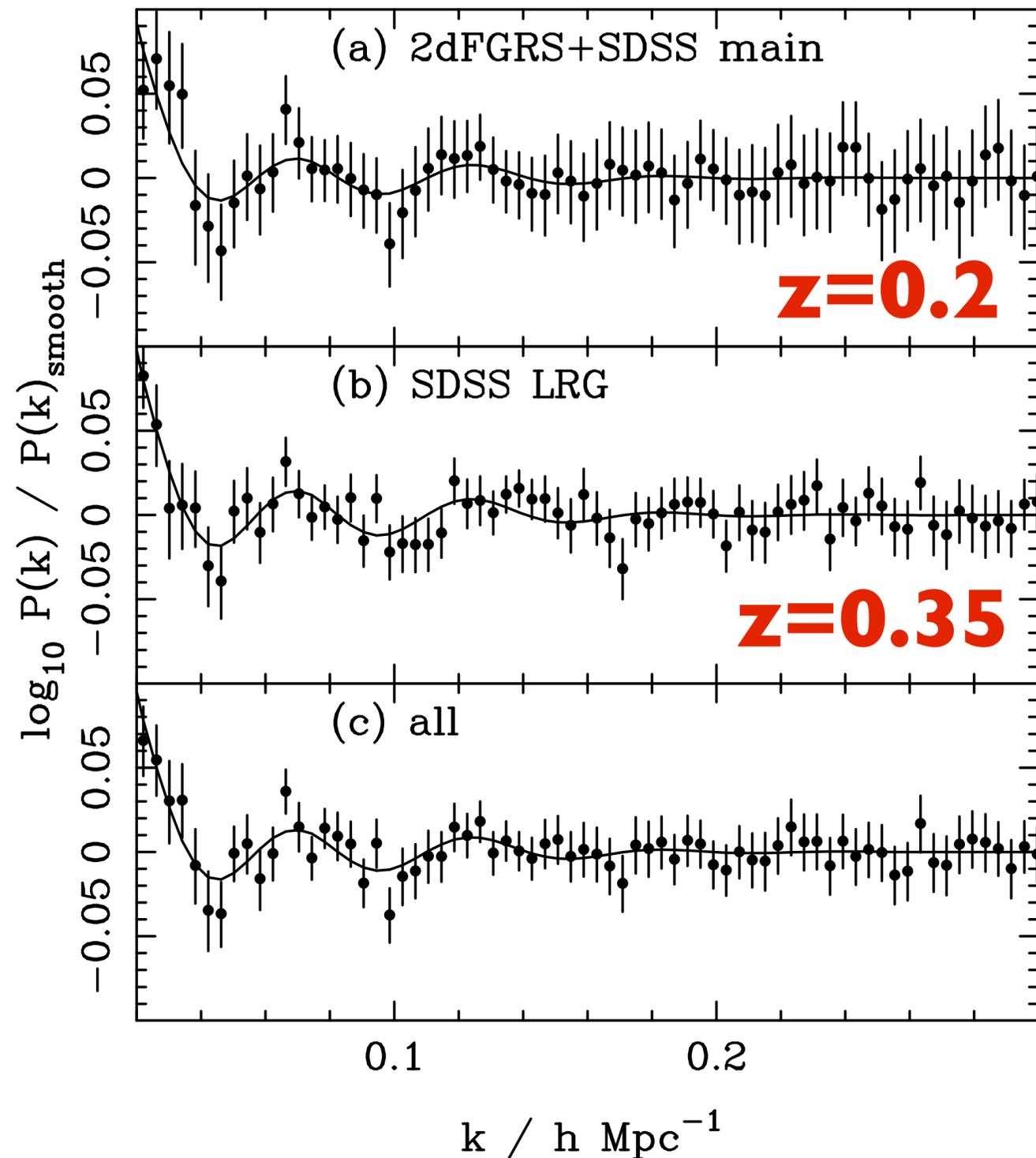


- $5\sigma$  detection of the BAO bump!
- 1.7% determination of the distance to  $z=0.57$
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# Sound Horizon Again

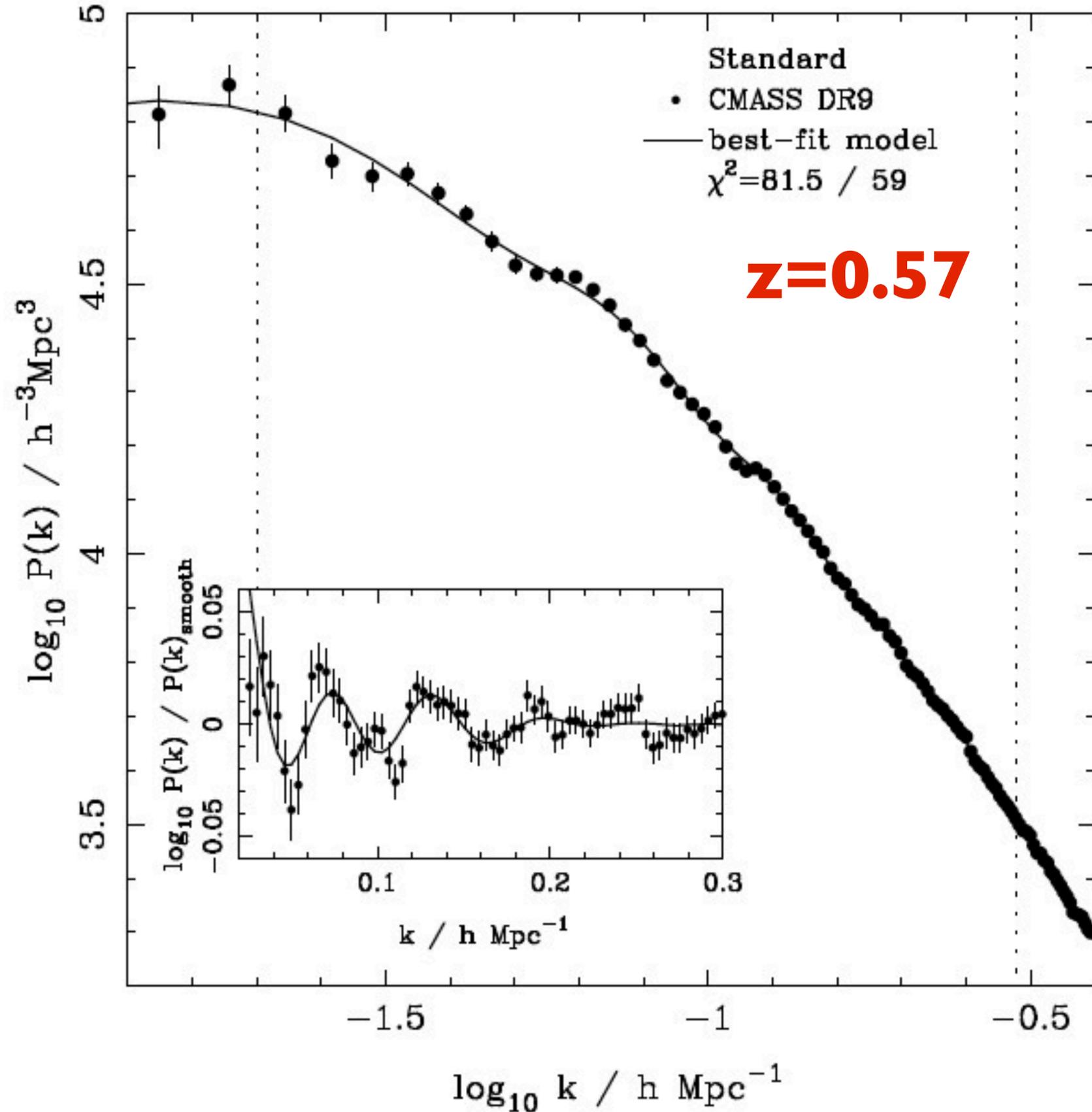
- The clustering scale,  $d_{\text{BAO}}$ , is given by the physical distance traveled by the sound wave from the Big Bang to the **decoupling of baryons** at  $z_{\text{BAO}} \sim 1080$  (c.f.,  $z_{\text{CMB}} \sim 1090$ ).
- The baryons decoupled slightly later than CMB.
  - By the way, this is not universal in cosmology, but *accidentally* happens to be the case for our Universe.
  - If  $3\rho_{\text{baryon}}/(4\rho_{\text{photon}}) = 0.64(\Omega_b h^2/0.022)(1090/(1+z_{\text{CMB}}))$  is greater than unity,  $z_{\text{BAO}} > z_{\text{CMB}}$ . Since our Universe happens to have  $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.022$ ,  $z_{\text{BAO}} < z_{\text{CMB}}$ . (ie,  $d_{\text{BAO}} > d_{\text{CMB}}$ )

# Early BAO Measurements in $P(k)$

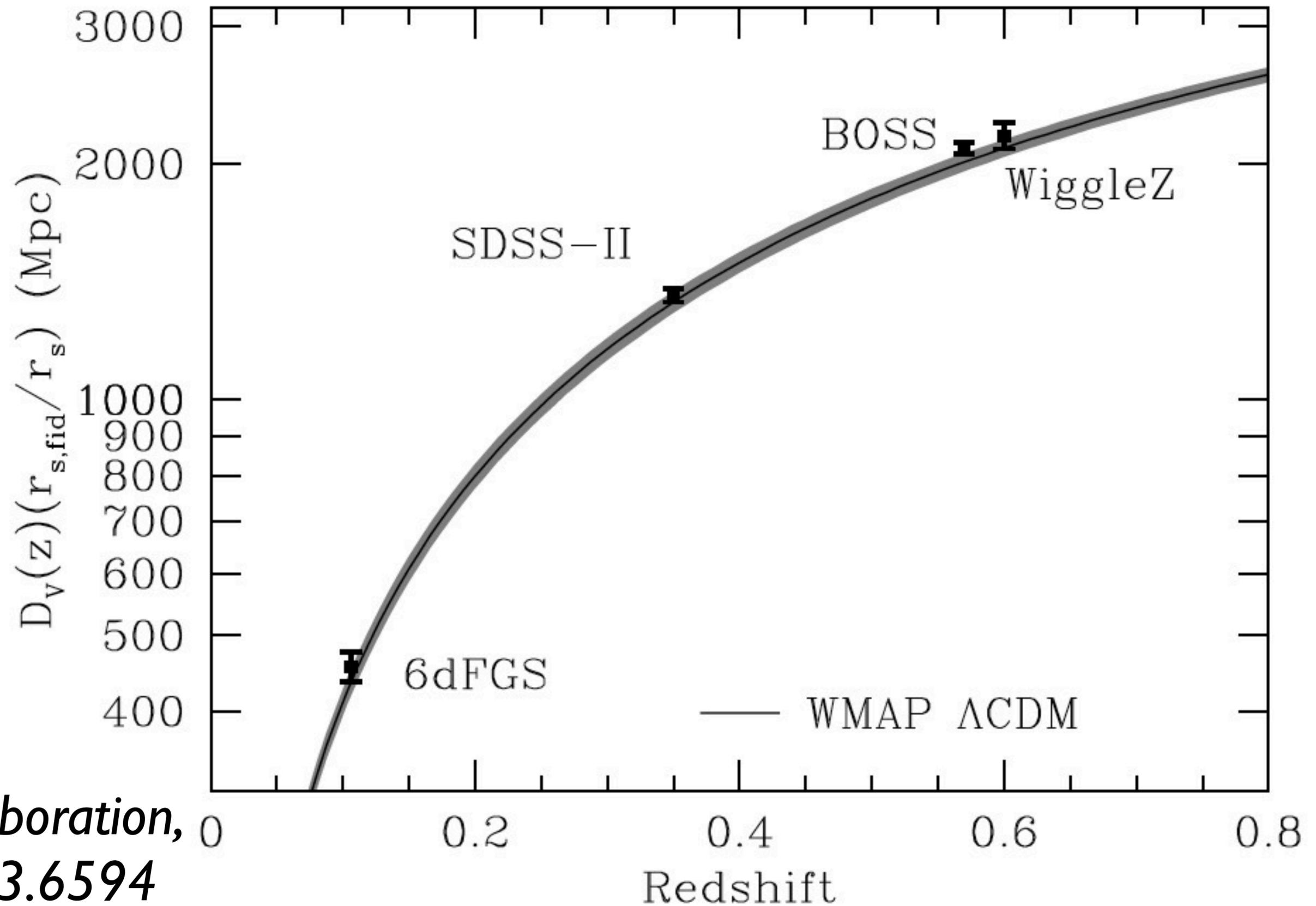


- 2dFGRS and SDSS main samples at  $z=0.2$
- SDSS LRG samples at  $z=0.35$
- These measurements constrain the ratio,  $D_A(z)/d_s(z_{\text{BAO}})$ .

# Latest BAO Measurement in $P(k)$

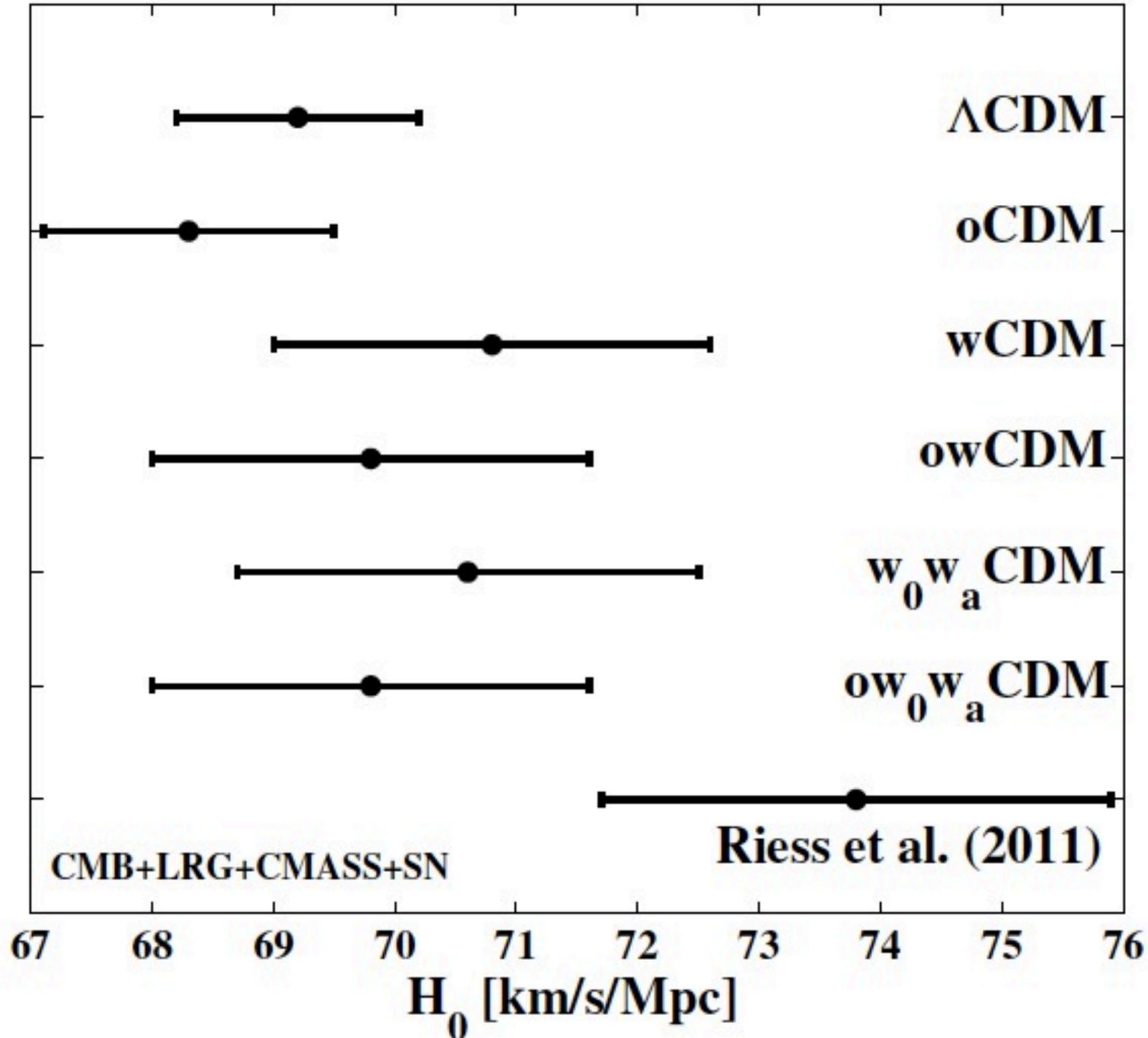


# Hubble Diagram from BAO



*BOSS Collaboration,  
arXiv:1203.6594*

# $H_0$ : “tension”?



- CMB+BAO can give a precise estimate of  $H_0$ .
- There has been a persistent difference between  $H_0$  from CMB+BAO (about 70km/s/Mpc) and the local determination (about 74km/s/Mpc)
- Interesting tension?

# Not Just $D_A(z)$ ...

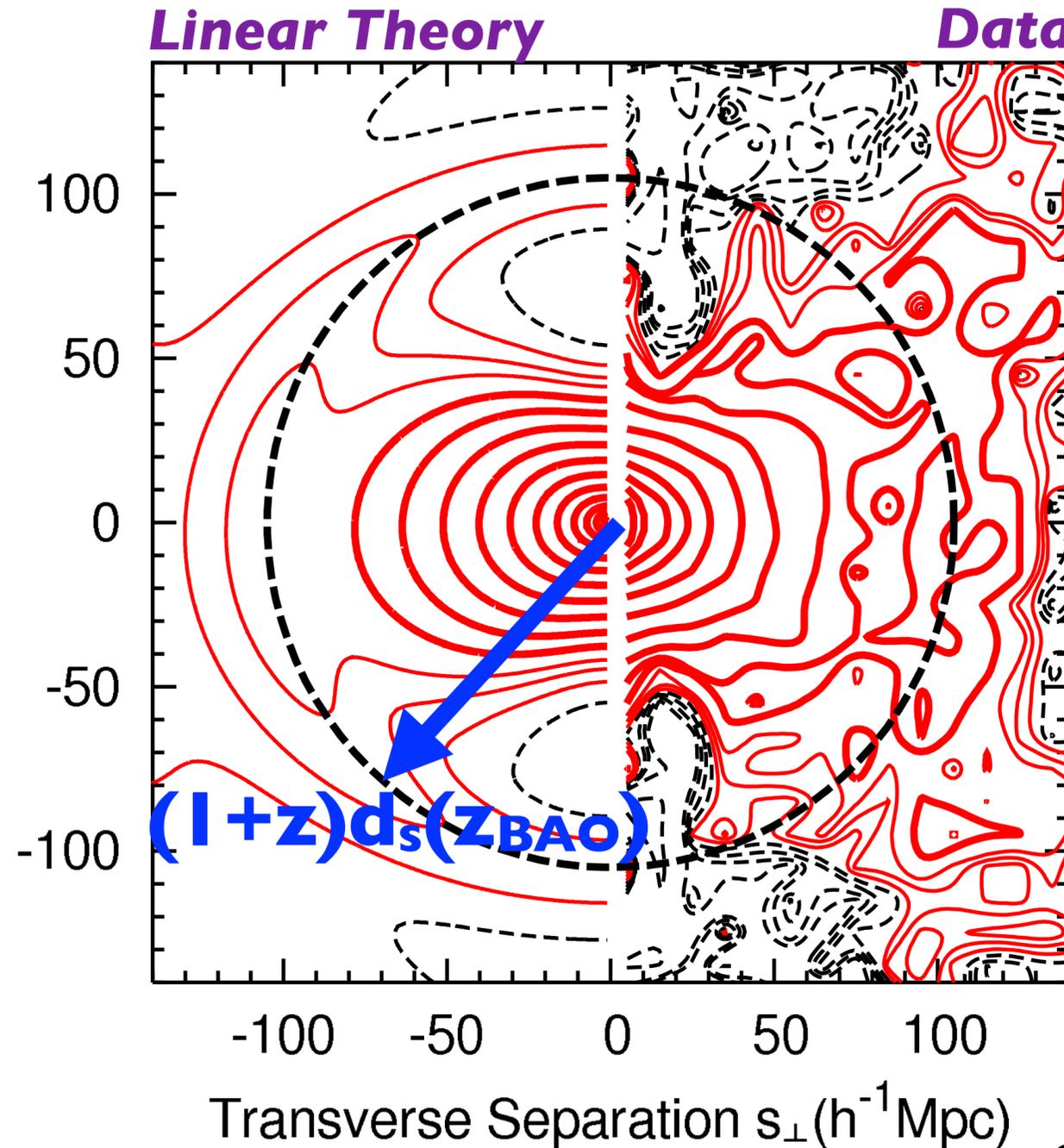
- A really nice thing about BAO at a given redshift is that it can be used to measure not only  $D_A(z)$ , but also the expansion rate,  $H(z)$ , directly, at **that** redshift.
  - BAO perpendicular to l.o.s  
 $\Rightarrow D_A(z) = d_s(z_{\text{BAO}})/\theta$
  - BAO parallel to l.o.s  
 $\Rightarrow \mathbf{H(z) = c\Delta z / [(1+z)d_s(z_{\text{BAO}})]}$

# Measuring $D_A(z)$ & $H(z)$

$$= \frac{c\Delta z}{(1+z)} = d_s(z_{\text{BAO}}) \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{z})$$



Line-of-Sight Separation  $s_{\parallel}$  ( $h^{-1}$  Mpc)



Linear Theory

Data

2D 2-pt function from the SDSS LRG samples (Okumura et al. 2007)

Transverse Separation  $s_{\perp}$  ( $h^{-1}$  Mpc)



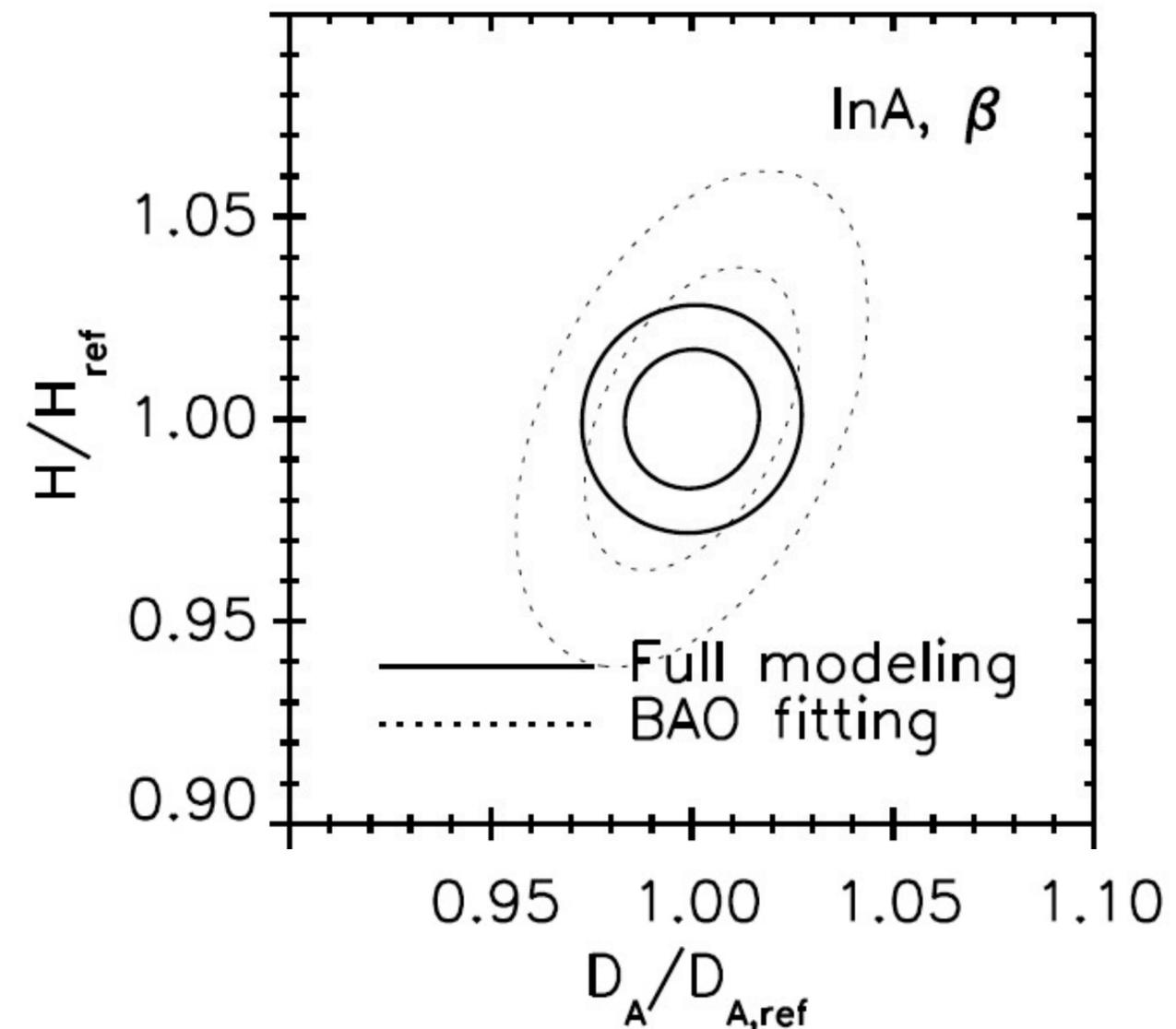
$$\theta = d_s(z_{\text{BAO}}) / D_A(\mathbf{z})$$

# Beyond BAO

- BAOs capture only a **fraction** of the information contained in the galaxy power spectrum!
- The full usage of the 2-dimensional power spectrum leads to a *substantial* improvement in the precision of distance and expansion rate measurements.

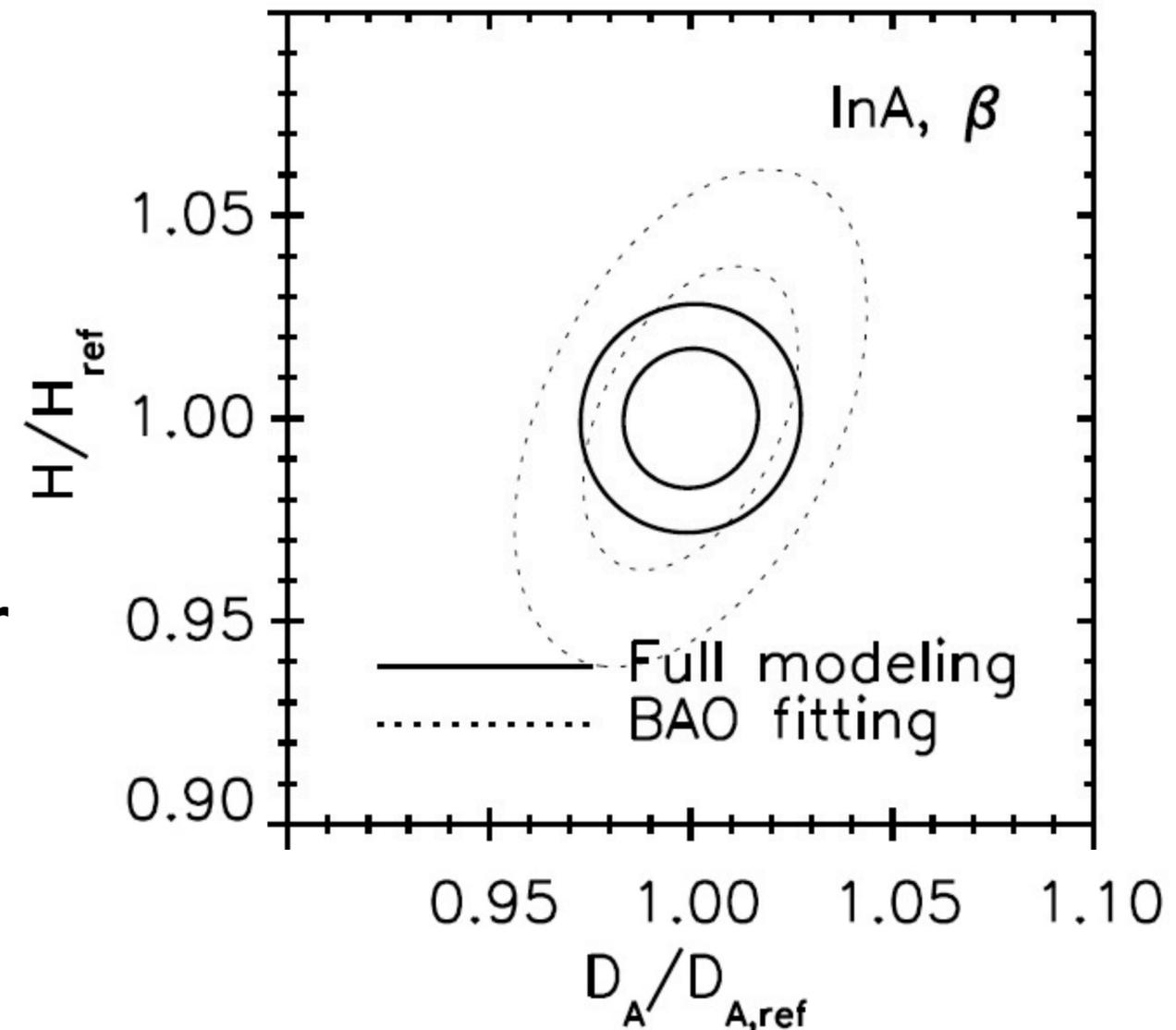
# BAO vs Full Modeling

- Full modeling improves upon the determinations of  $D_A$  &  $H$  by more than a factor of two.
- On the  $D_A$ - $H$  plane, the size of the ellipse shrinks by more than a factor of four.



# Alcock-Paczynski: The Most Important Thing For HETDEX

- **Where does the improvement come from?**
- The Alcock-Paczynski test is the key. *This is the most important component for the success of the HETDEX survey.*



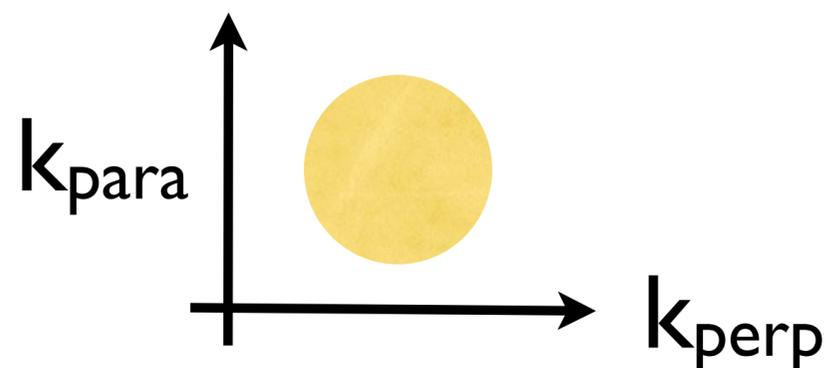
# The AP Test: How That Works

- The key idea: (*in the absence of the redshift-space distortion - we will include this for the full analysis; we ignore it here for simplicity*), the distribution of the power should be **isotropic** in Fourier space.

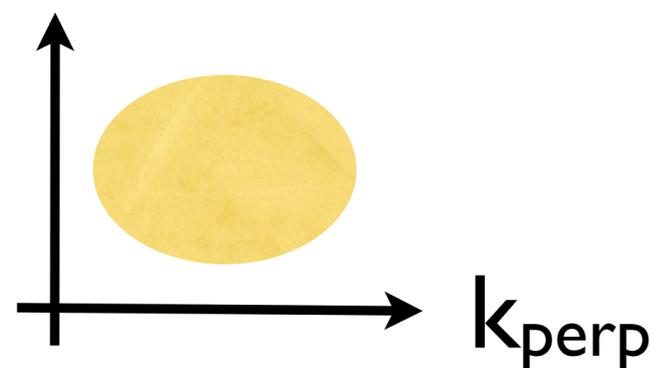
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- **$D_A$** : (RA, Dec) to the transverse separation,  $r_{\text{perp}}$ , to the transverse wavenumber
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- **$H$** : redshifts to the parallel separation,  $r_{\text{para}}$ , to the parallel wavenumber
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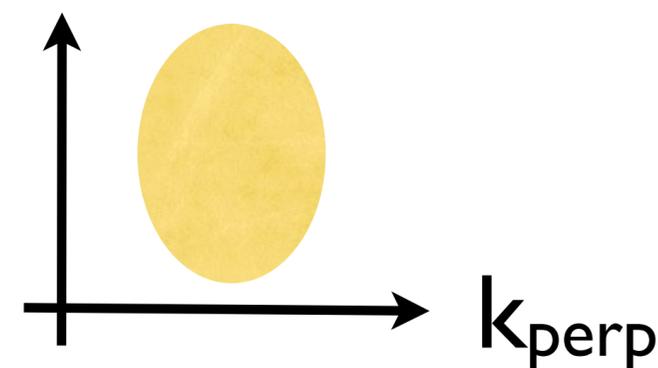
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If  $D_A$  is wrong:



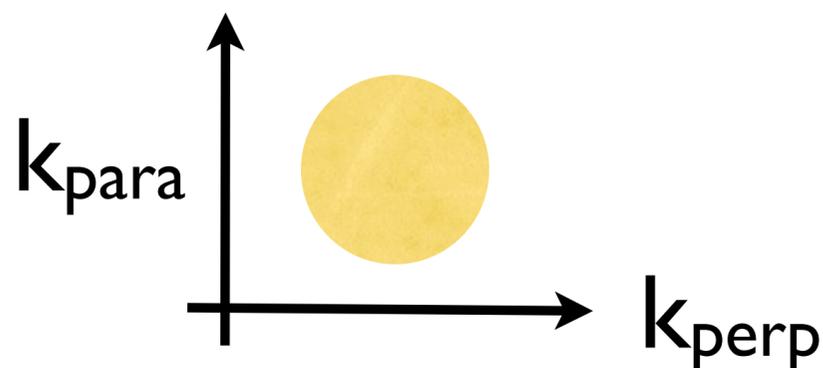
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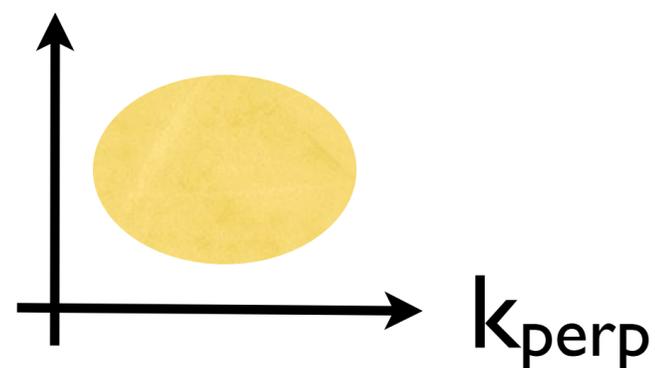
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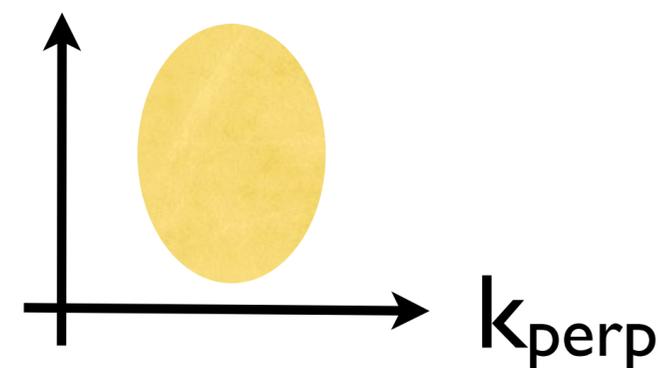
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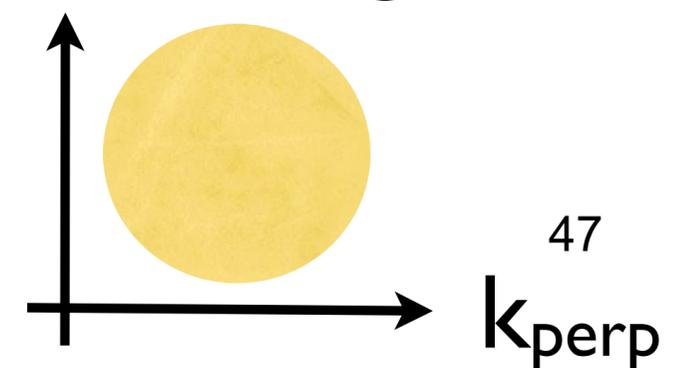
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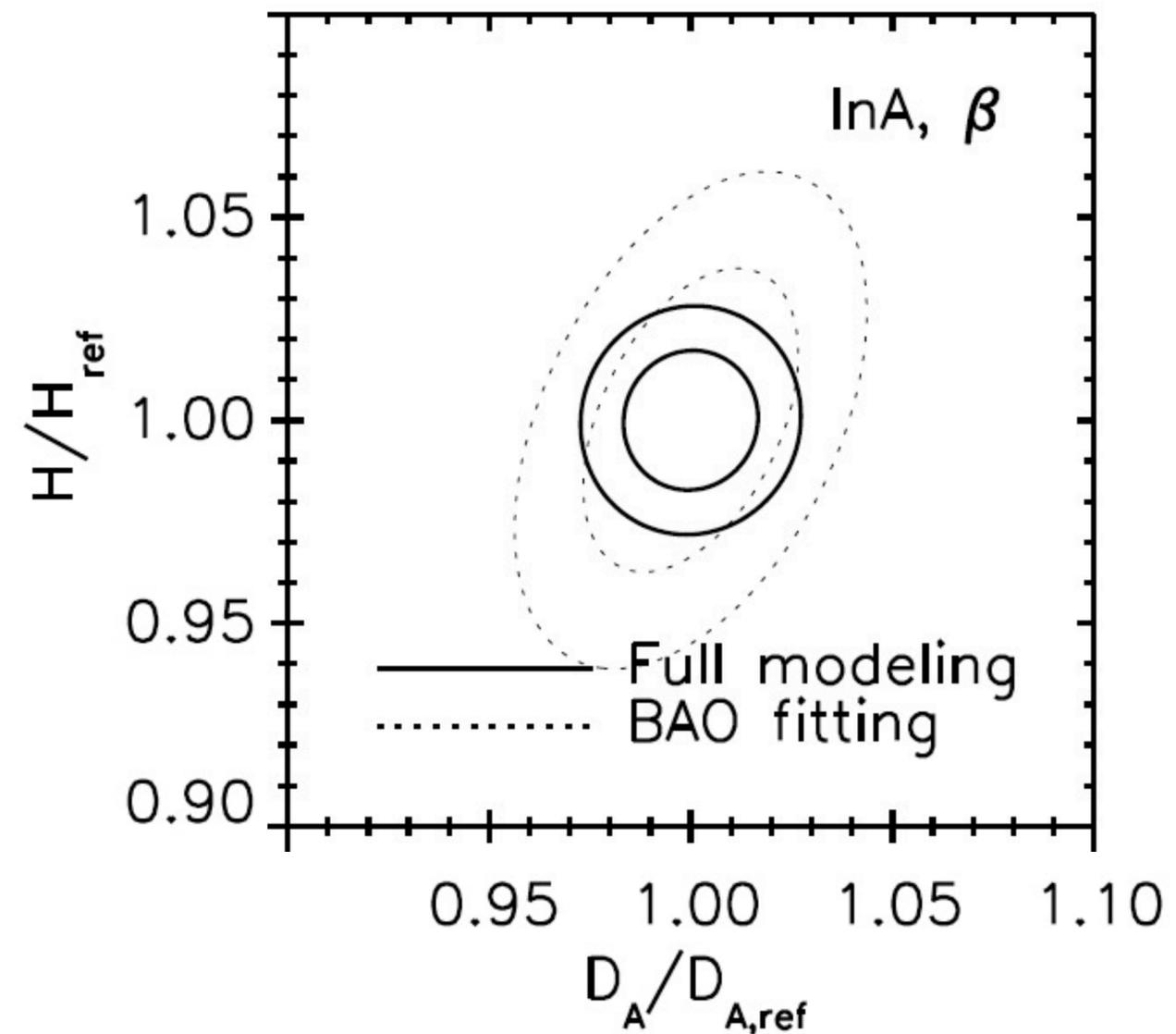


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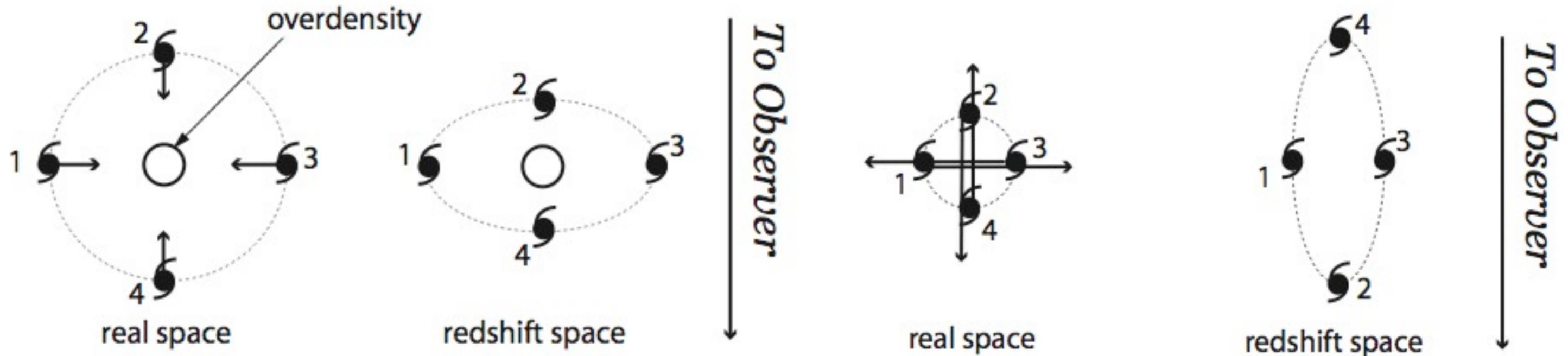


# $D_A H$ from the AP test

- So, the AP test can't be used to determine  $D_A$  and  $H$  separately; however, it gives a measurement of  **$D_A H$** .
- Combining this with the BAO information, and marginalizing over the redshift space distortion, we get the solid contours in the figure.

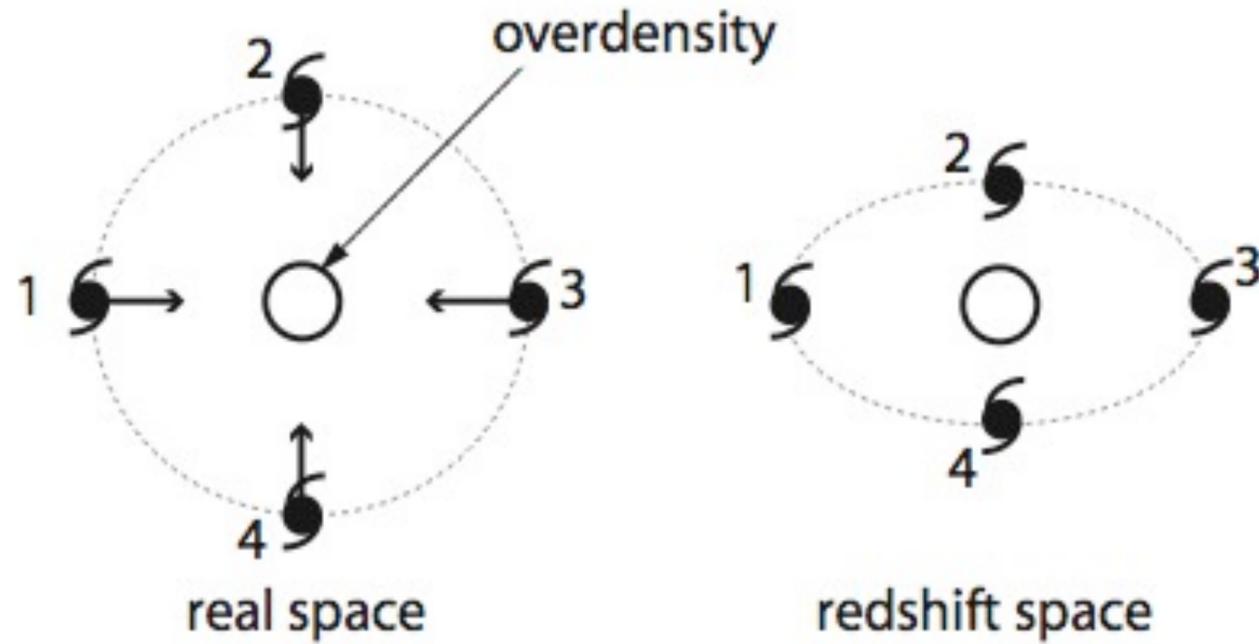


# Redshift Space Distortion

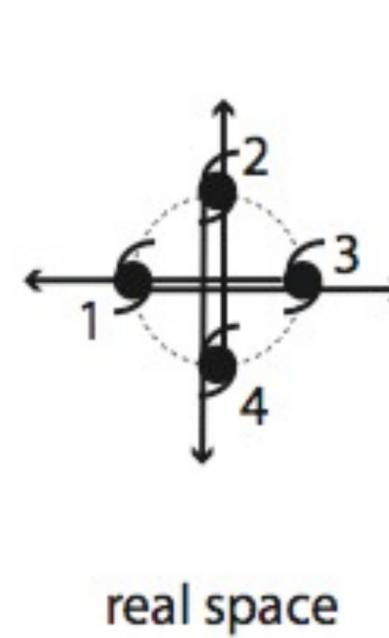


- (Left) Coherent flow  $\Rightarrow$  clustering **enhanced** along l.o.s.
  - “Kaiser” effect
- (Right) Virial motion  $\Rightarrow$  clustering **reduced** along l.o.s.
  - “Finger-of-God” effect

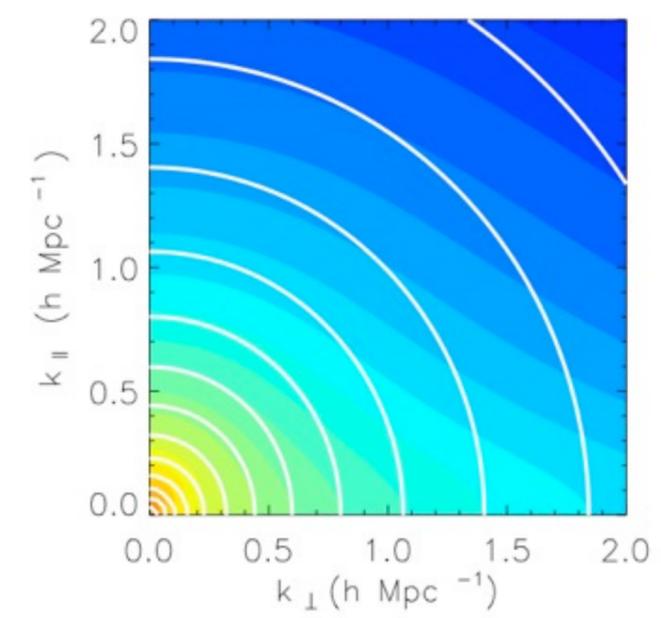
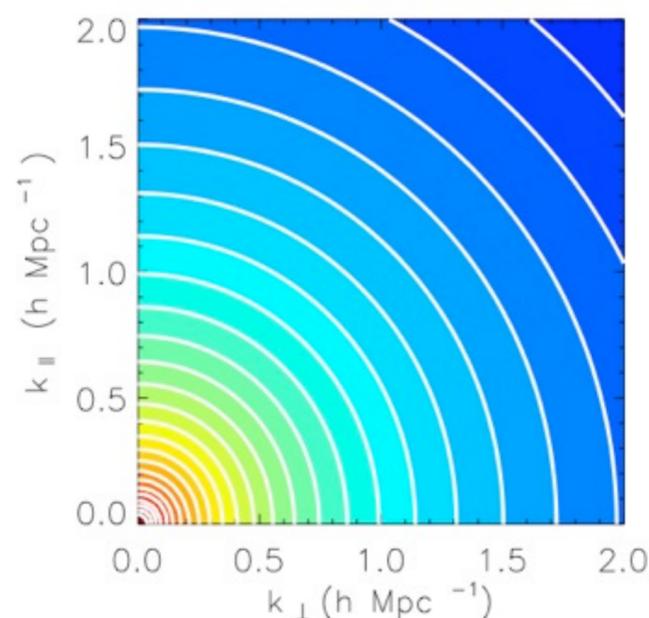
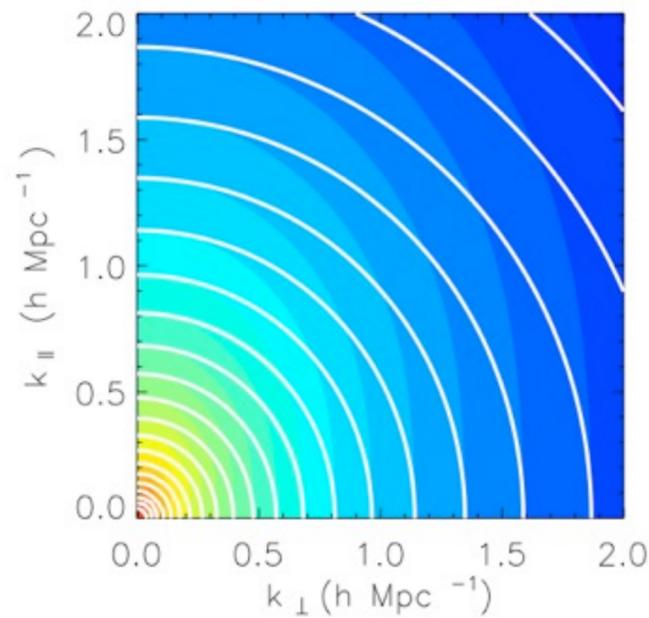
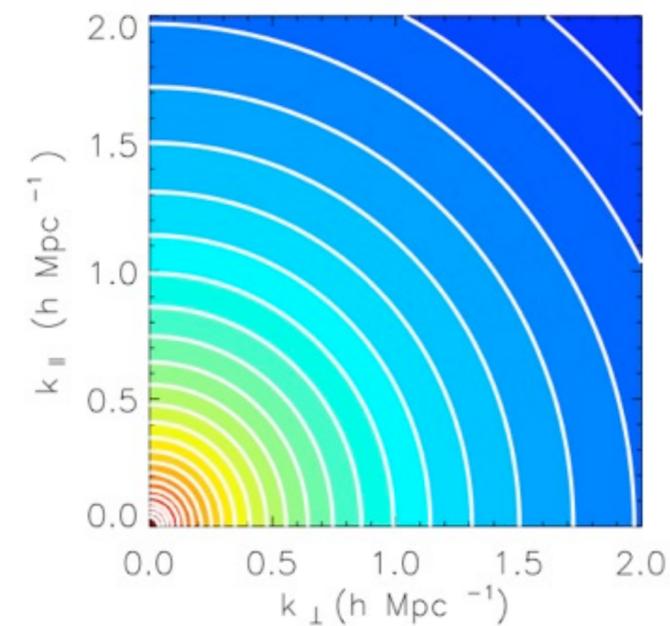
# Redshift Space Distortion



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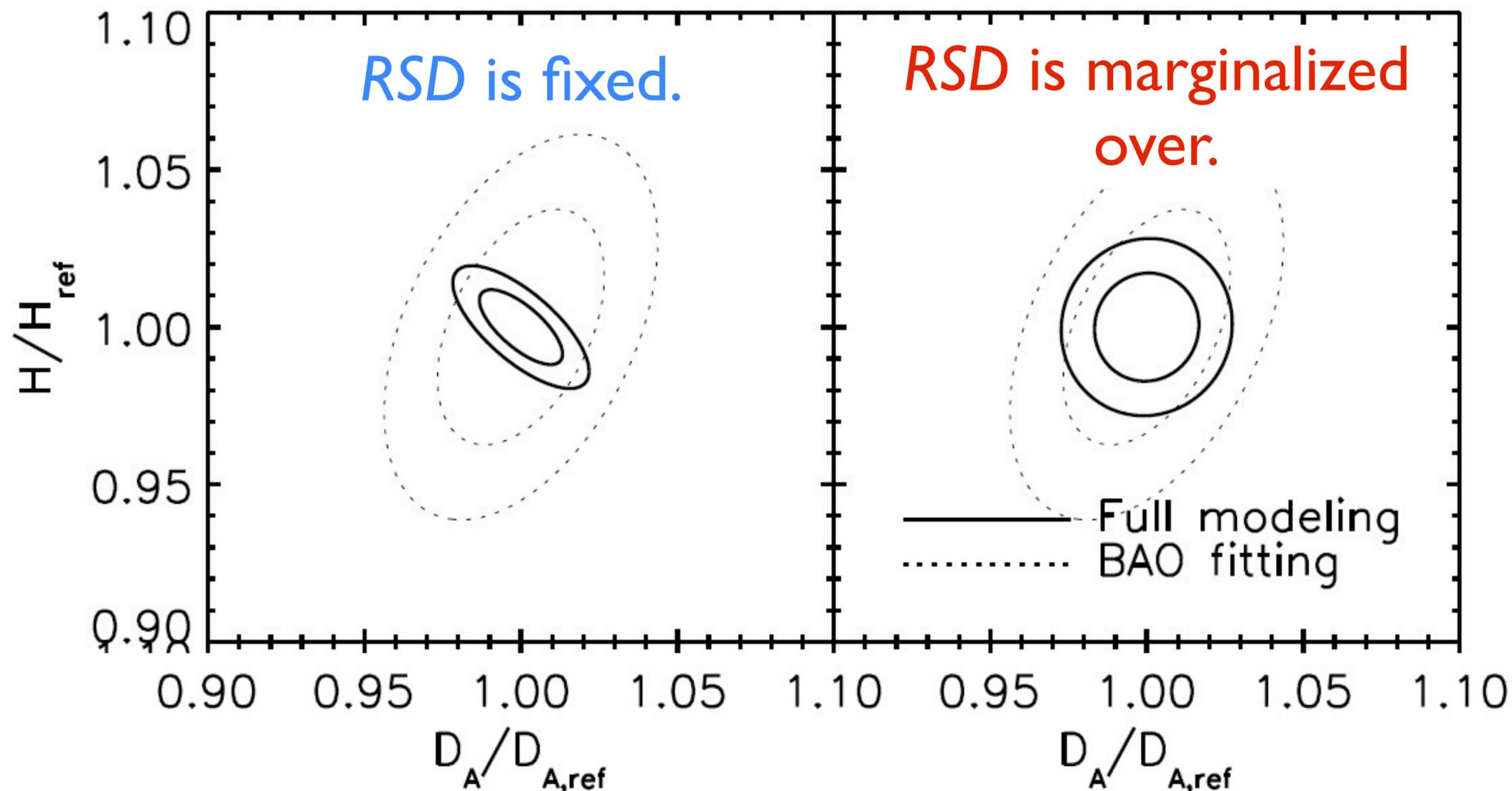


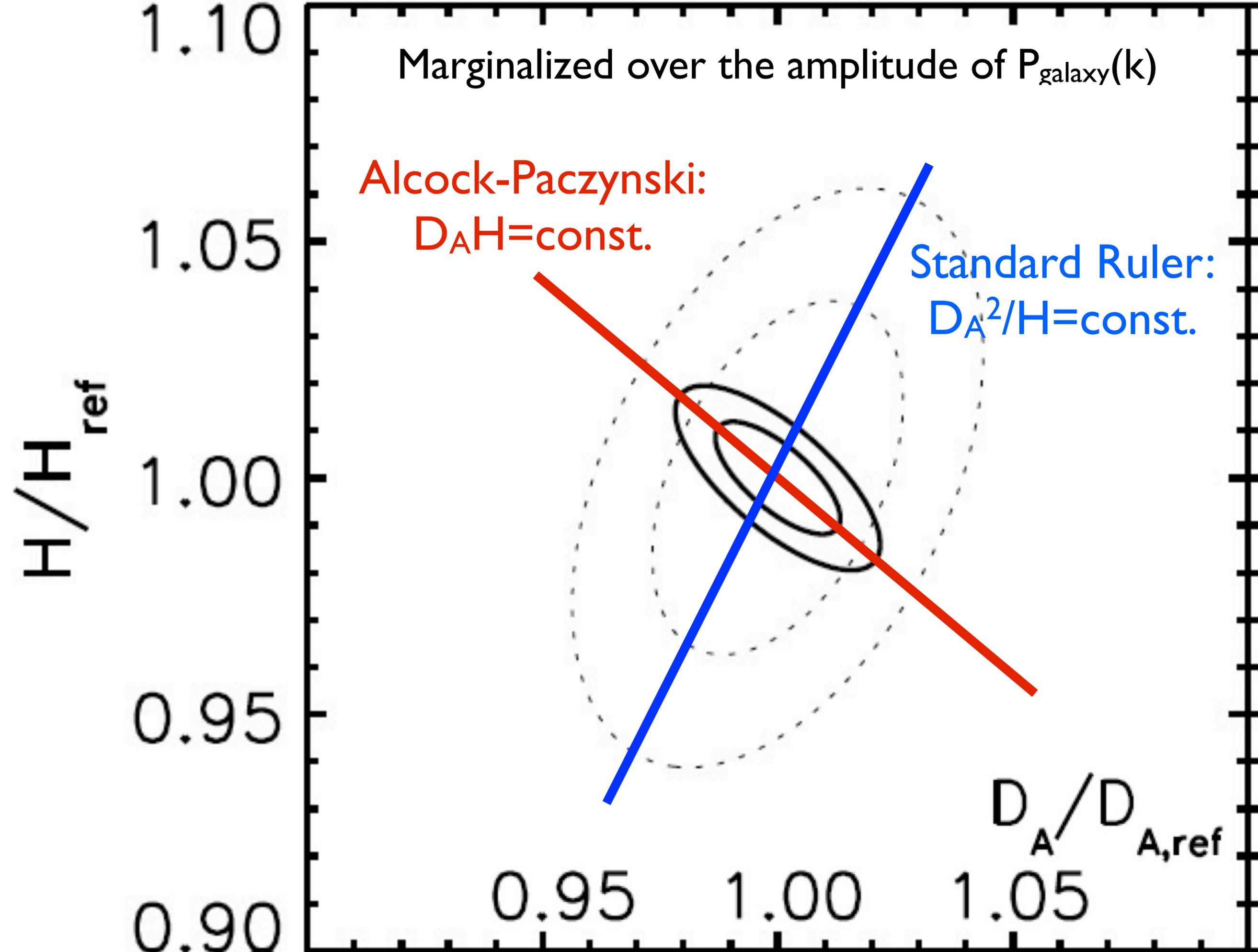
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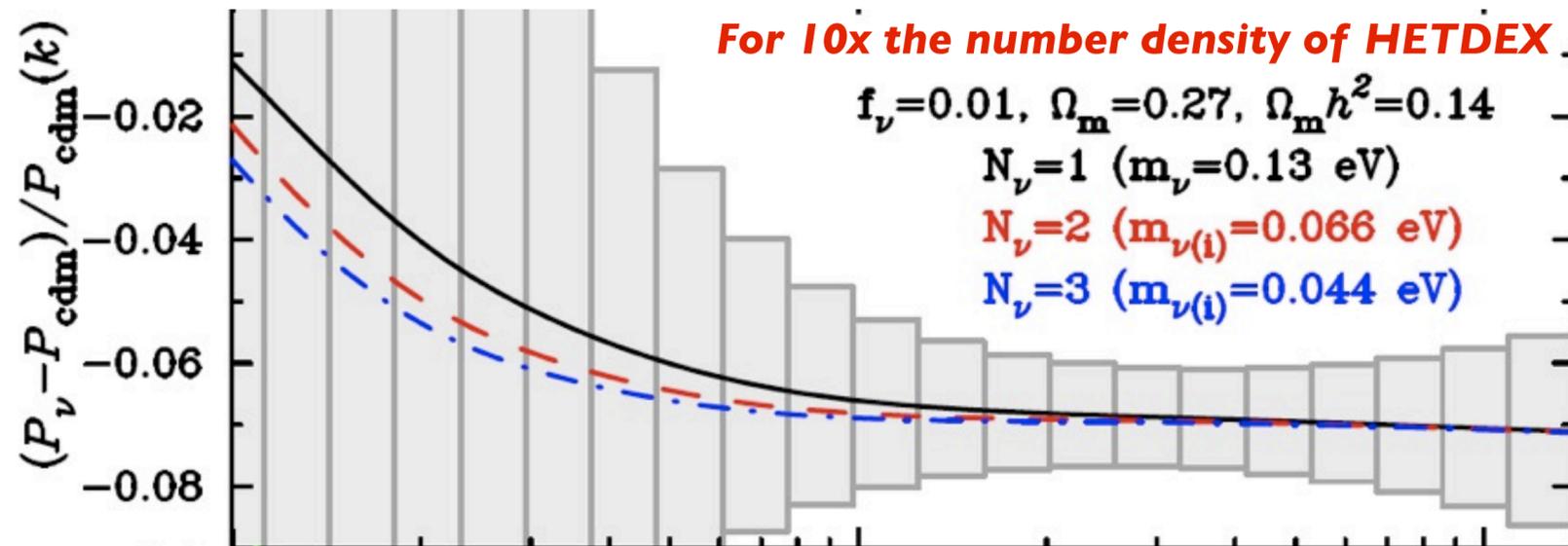
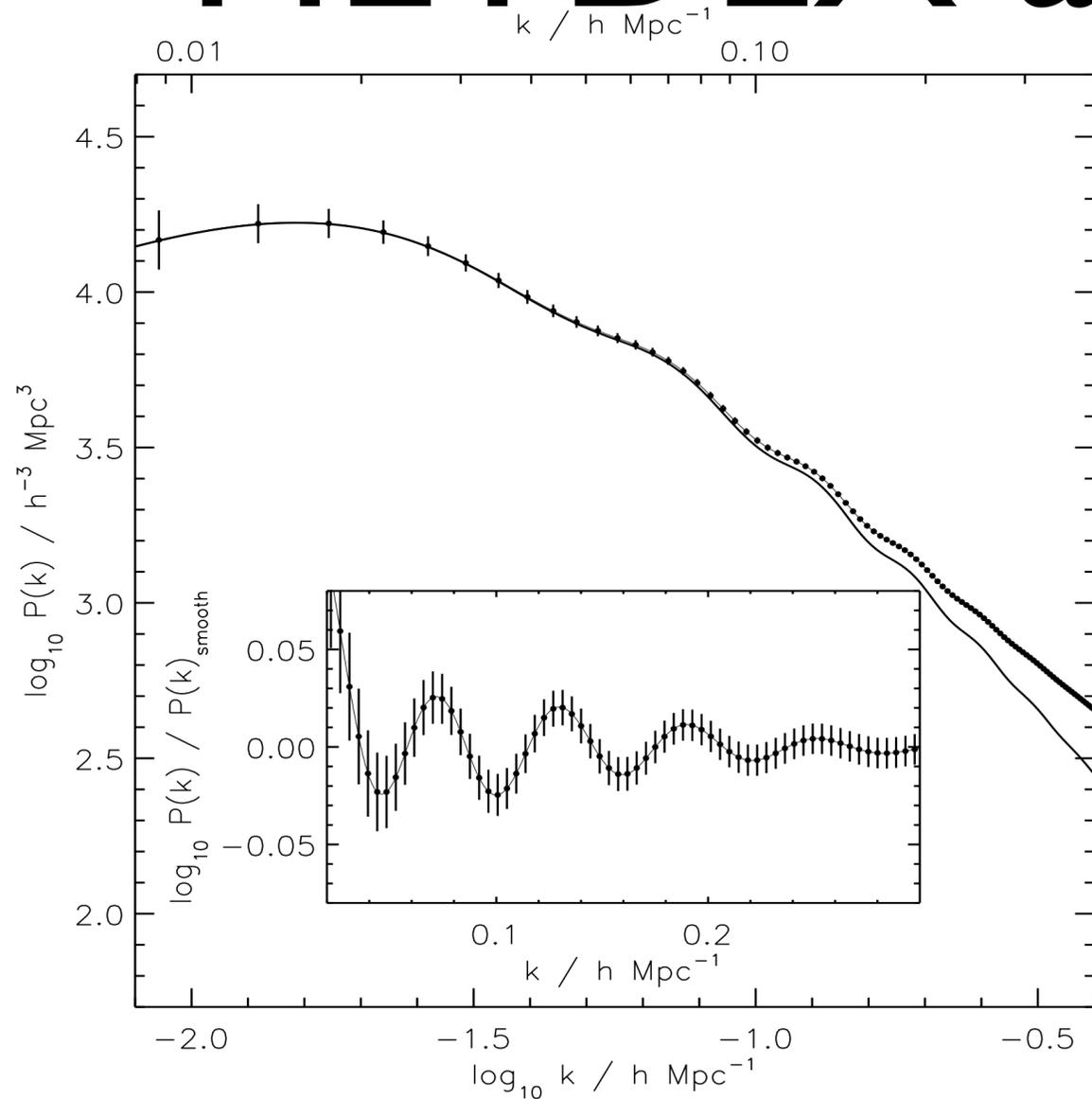
# Redshift Space Distortion (RSD)

- Both the AP test and the redshift space distortion make the distribution of the power anisotropic. Would it spoil the utility of this method?
- Some, but not all!



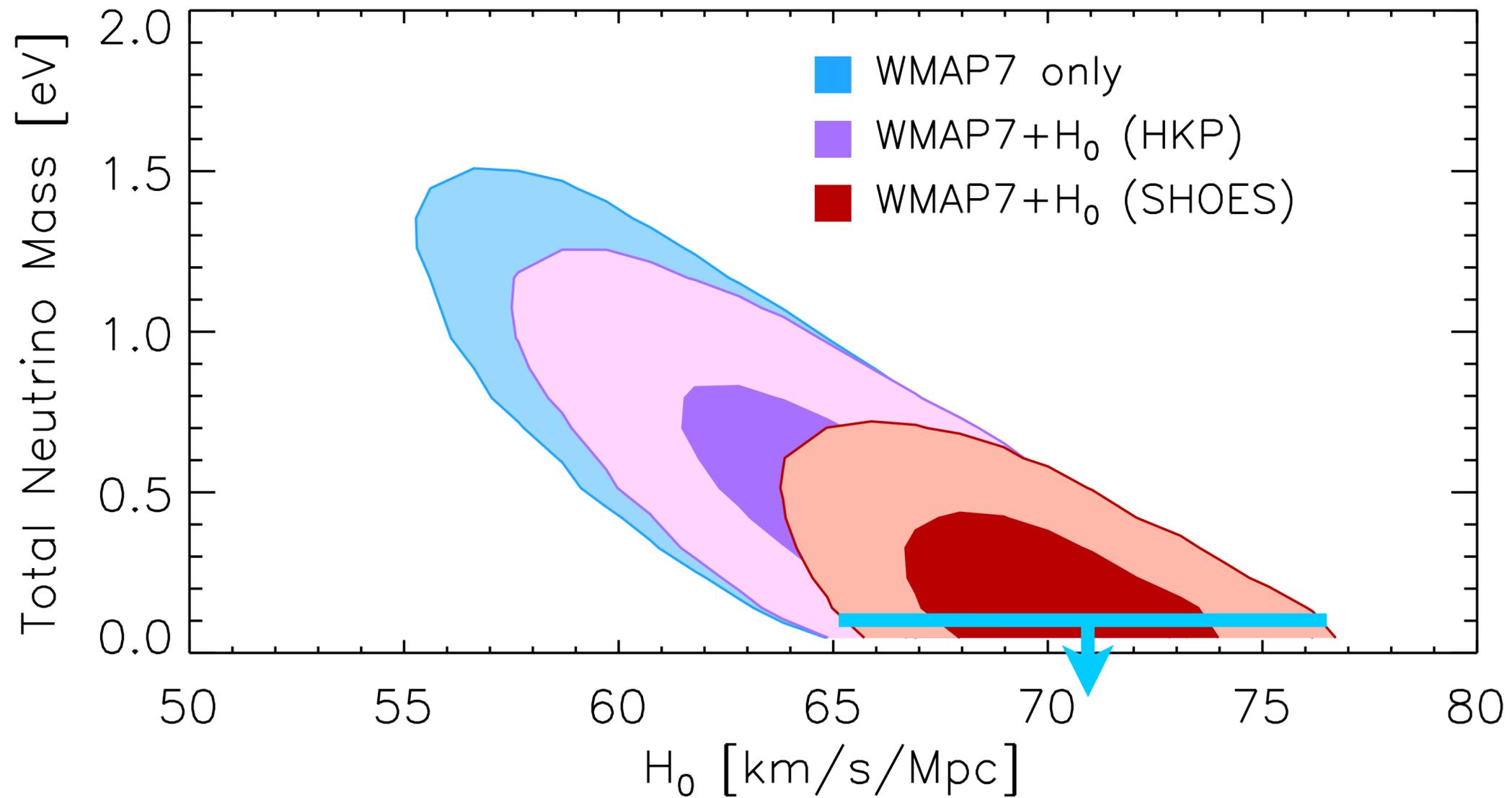


# HETDEX and Neutrino Mass



- Neutrinos suppress the matter power spectrum on small scales ( $k > 0.1 \text{ h Mpc}^{-1}$ ).
- A useful number to remember:
- For  $\sum m_\nu = 0.1 \text{ eV}$ , the power spectrum at  $k > 0.1 \text{ h Mpc}^{-1}$  is suppressed by  **$\sim 7\%$** .
- We can measure this easily!

# Expected HETDEX Limit



- ~6x better than WMAP 7-year+ $H_0$

# Summary

- Three (out of four) questions:
  - What is the physics of inflation?
    - $P(k)$  shape (esp,  $dn/d\ln k$ ) and non-Gaussianity
  - What is the nature of dark energy?
    - $D_A(z)$ ,  $H(z)$ , growth of structure
  - What is the mass of neutrinos?
    - $P(k)$  shape
- **HETDEX is a powerful approach for addressing all of these questions**