

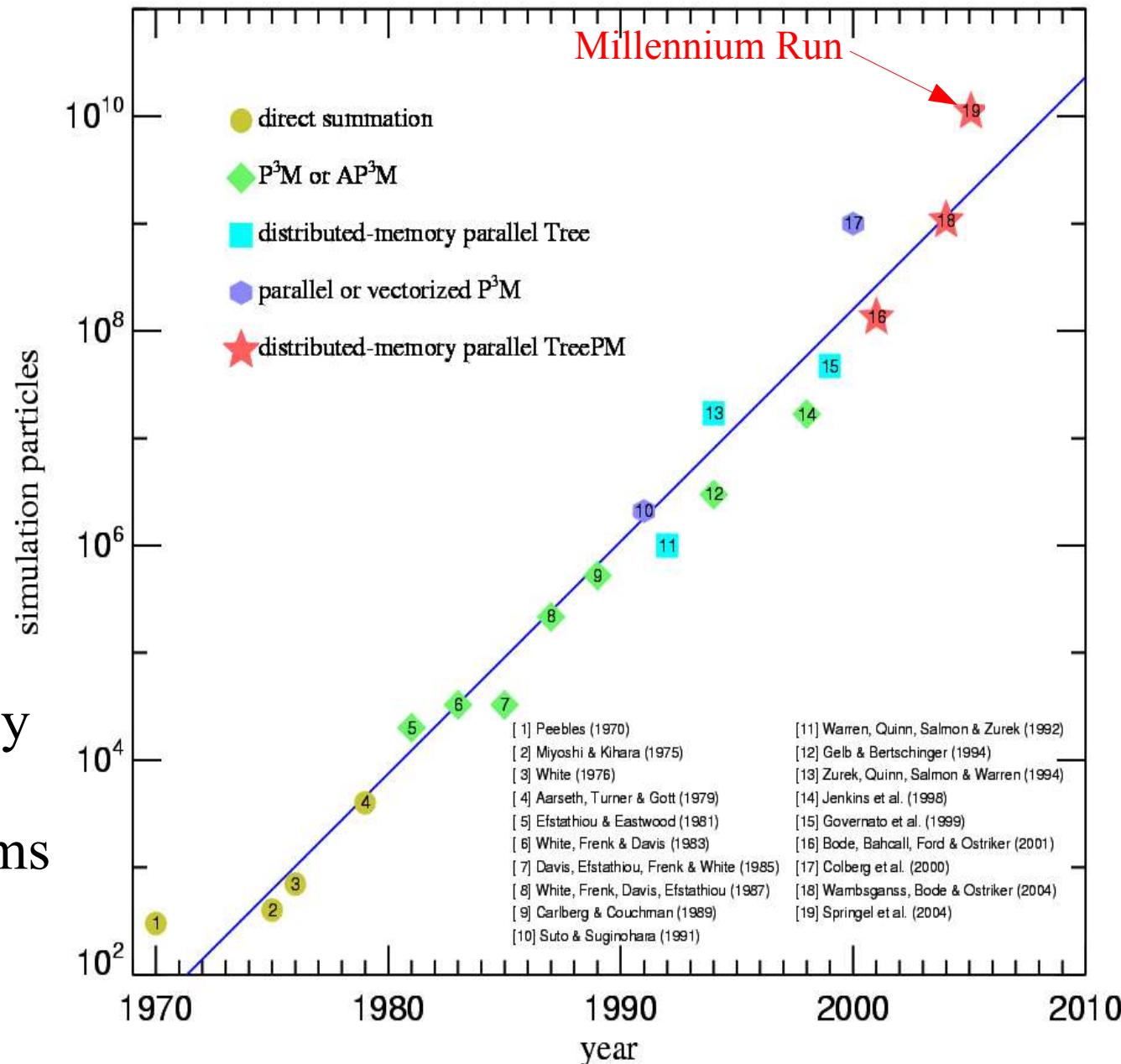
Large-scale Simulation of the Galaxy/AGN Population

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Moore's Law for Cosmological N-body Simulations

Springel et al 2005

- Computers double their speed every 18 months
- A naive N-body force calculation needs N^2 op's
- Simulations double their size every 16.5 months
- Progress has been roughly equally due to hardware and to improved algorithms



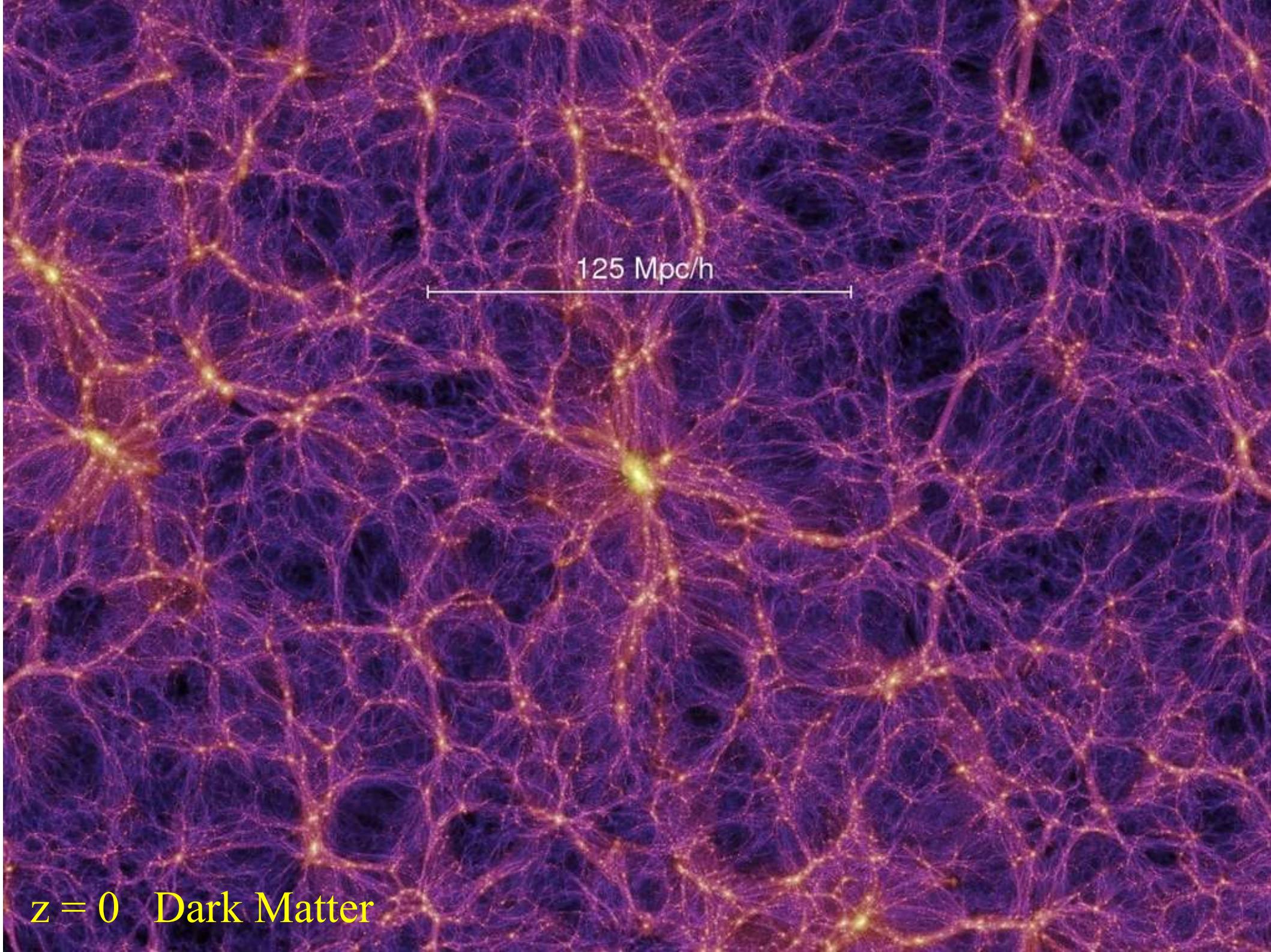
Millennium Run Statistics

Springel et al 2005: The Virgo Consortium

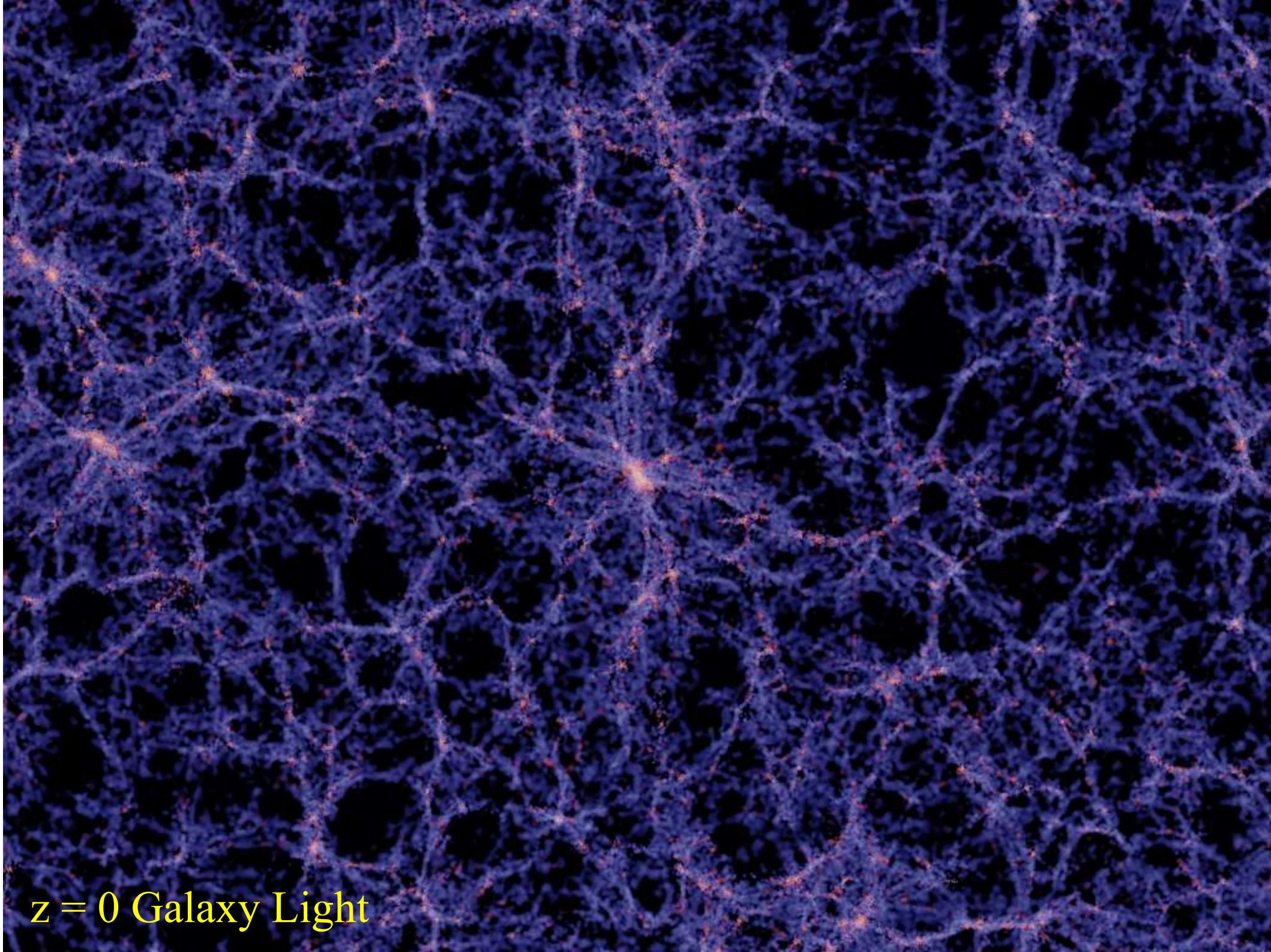
- DM particle number: $N = 2160^3 = 10,077,696,000 \approx 10^{10}$
 - Box size: $L = 500 \text{ Mpc/h}$, Softening: $\epsilon = 5 \text{ kpc/h} \rightarrow L/\epsilon = 10^5$
 - Initial redshift: $z_{\text{init}} = 127$
 - Cosmology: $\Omega_{\text{tot}} = 1$, $\Omega_m = 0.25$, $\Omega_b = 0.045$, $h = 0.73$, $n = 1$, $\sigma_8 = 0.9$
 - 343,000 processor-hours on 512 nodes of an IBM Regatta
(28 machine days @ 0.2 Tflops using 1 Tbyte RAM)
 - Full raw and reduced data stored at 64 redshifts
 \longrightarrow 27 Tbytes of stored data
- A testbed for simulating the formation of $\sim 10^7$ galaxies**

Goals for simulations of galaxy/AGN evolution

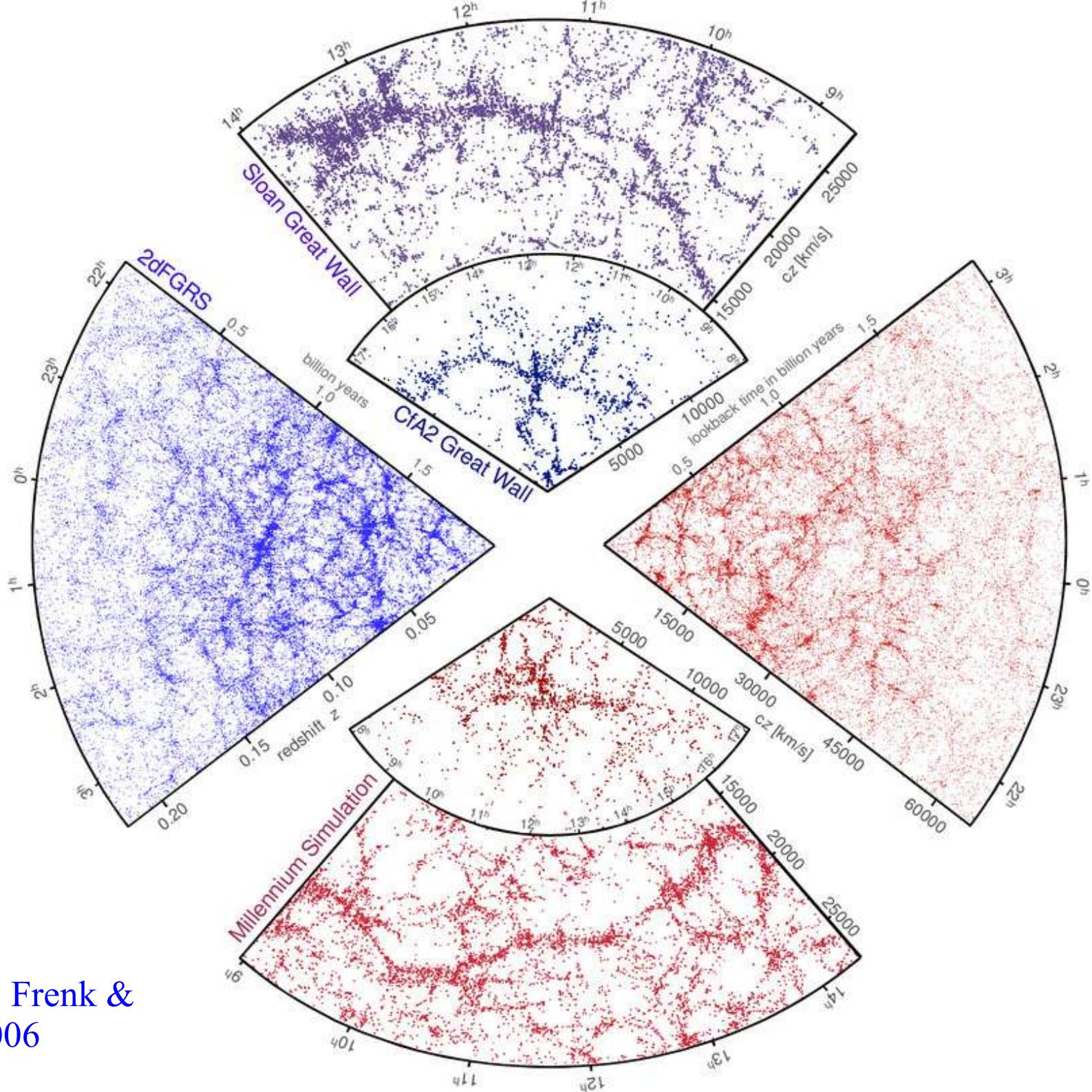
- Explore the physics of galaxy formation
- Understand the links between galaxy and SMBH formation
- Clarify why galaxy properties are related to clustering
- Determine how environment stimulates galaxy activity
- Interpret new multi-wavelength surveys of galaxies
- Check if such surveys can provide precision tests of and parameter estimates for the standard Λ CDM paradigm



$z = 0$ Dark Matter

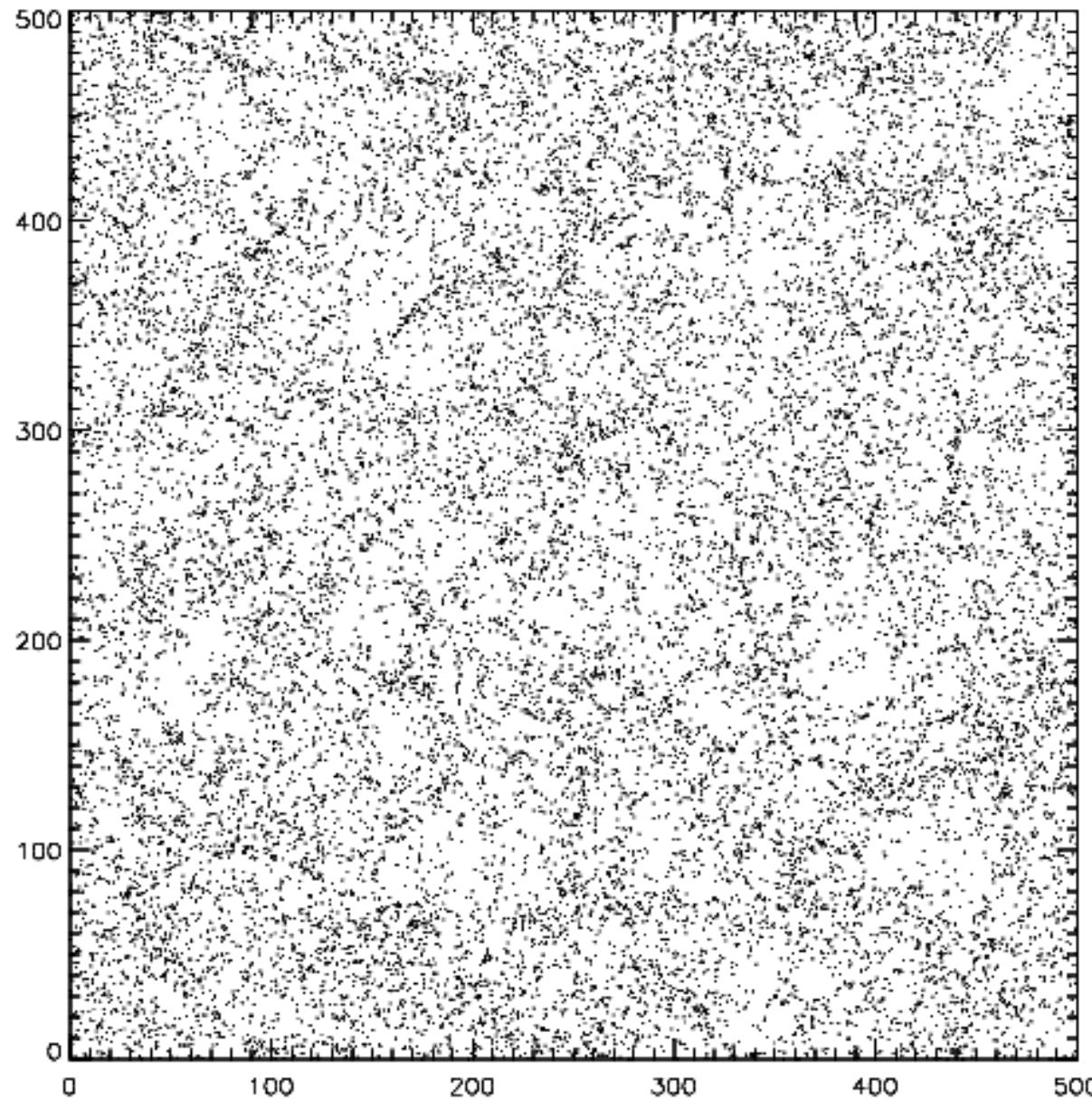


$z = 0$ Galaxy Light



Springel, Frenk &
White 2006

Does halo clustering depend on formation history?

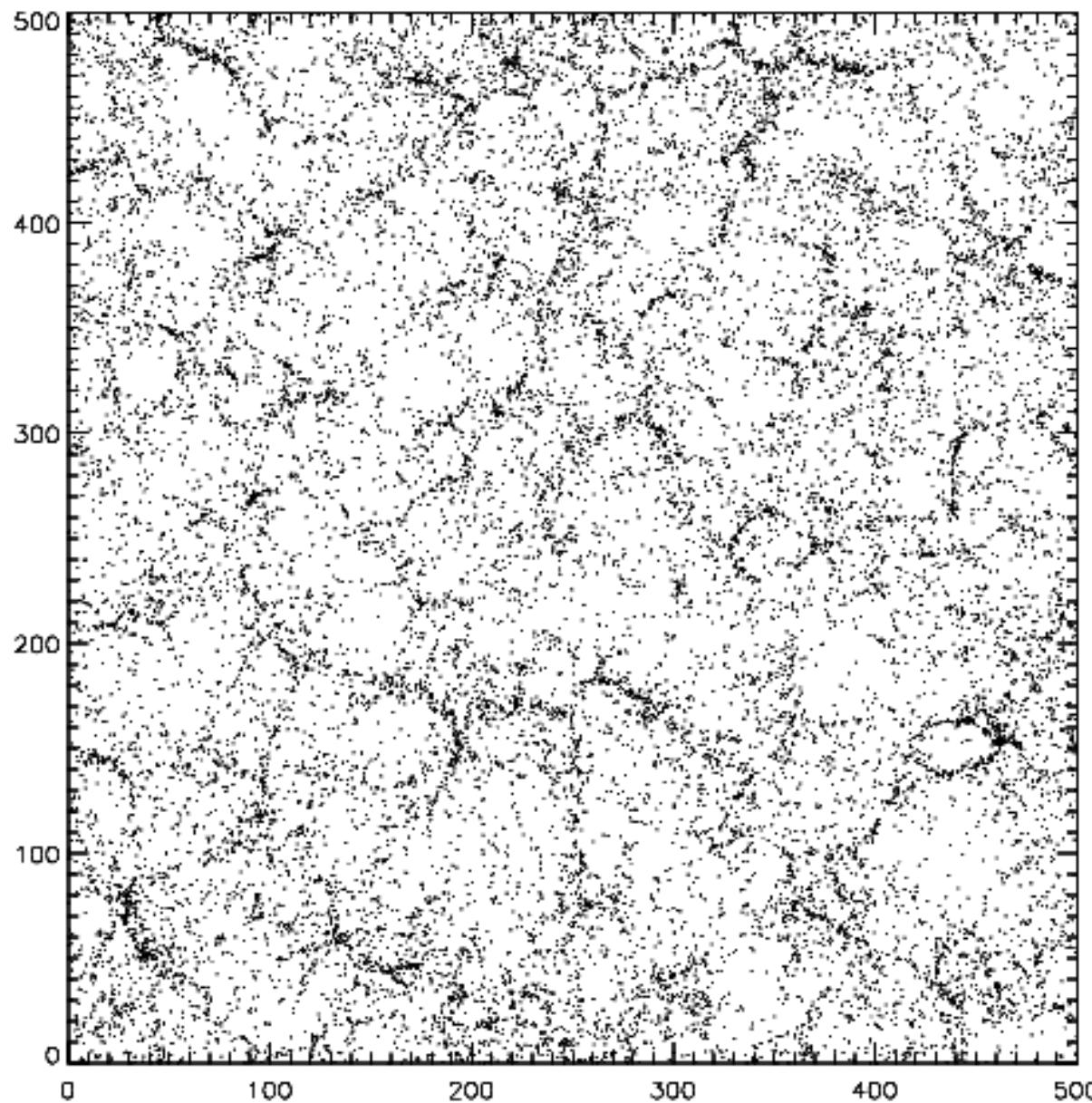


Gao, Springel & White 2005

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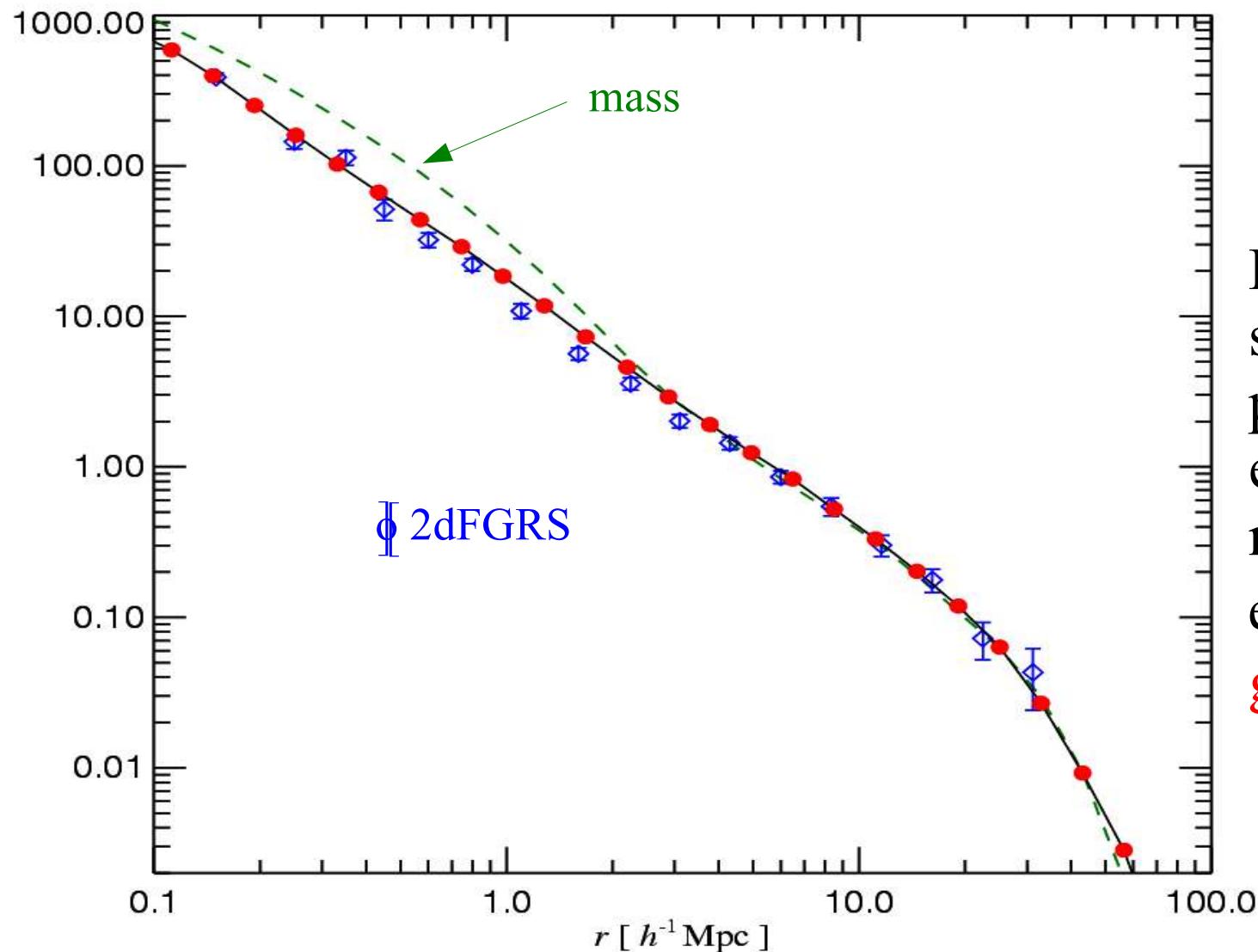
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Galaxy autocorrelation function

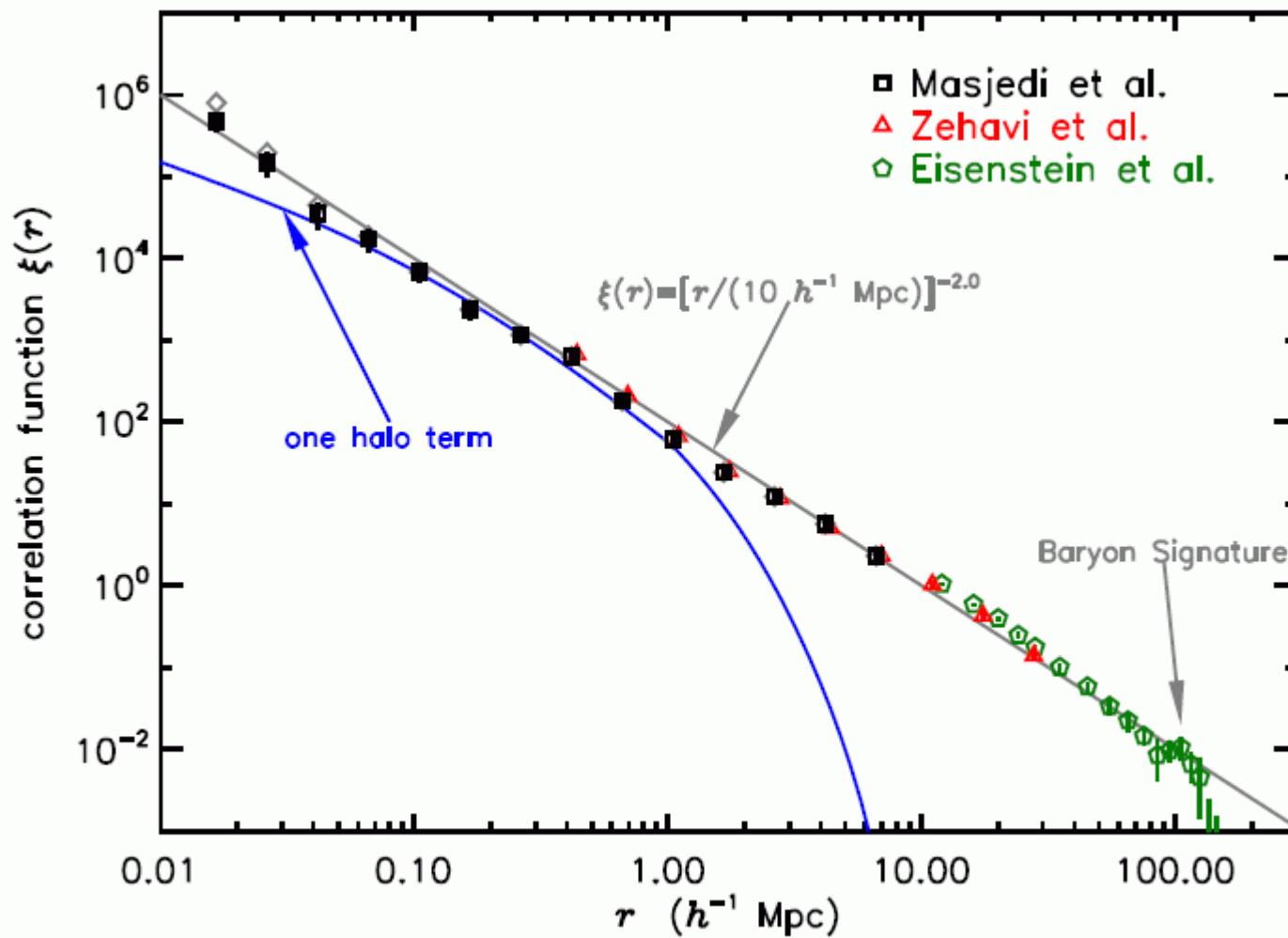
Springel et al 2005



For such a large simulation the purely statistical error bars are negligible on ξ even for the galaxies

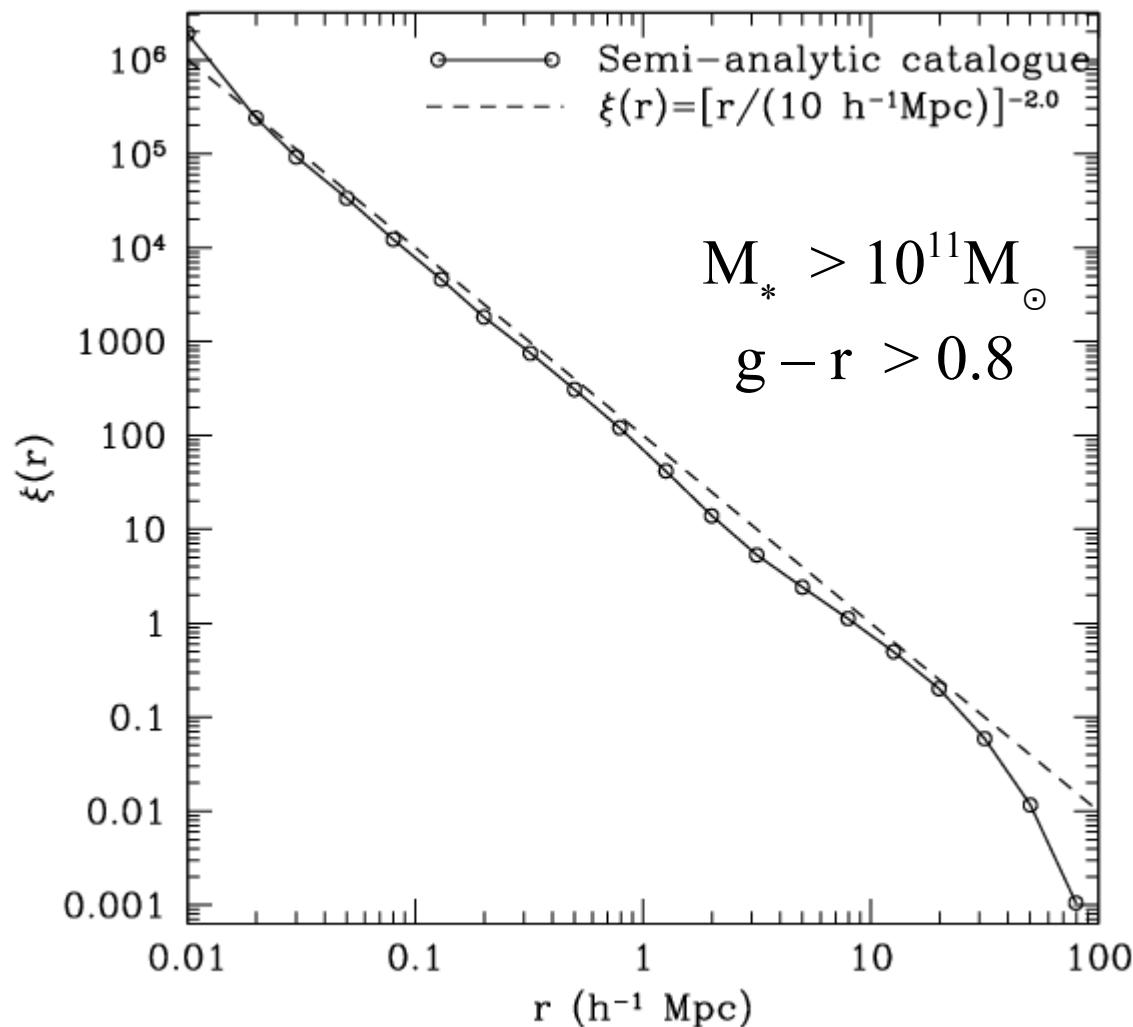
Precise estimates of autocorrelation functions Luminous red galaxies in the SDSS

Masjedi et al 2005

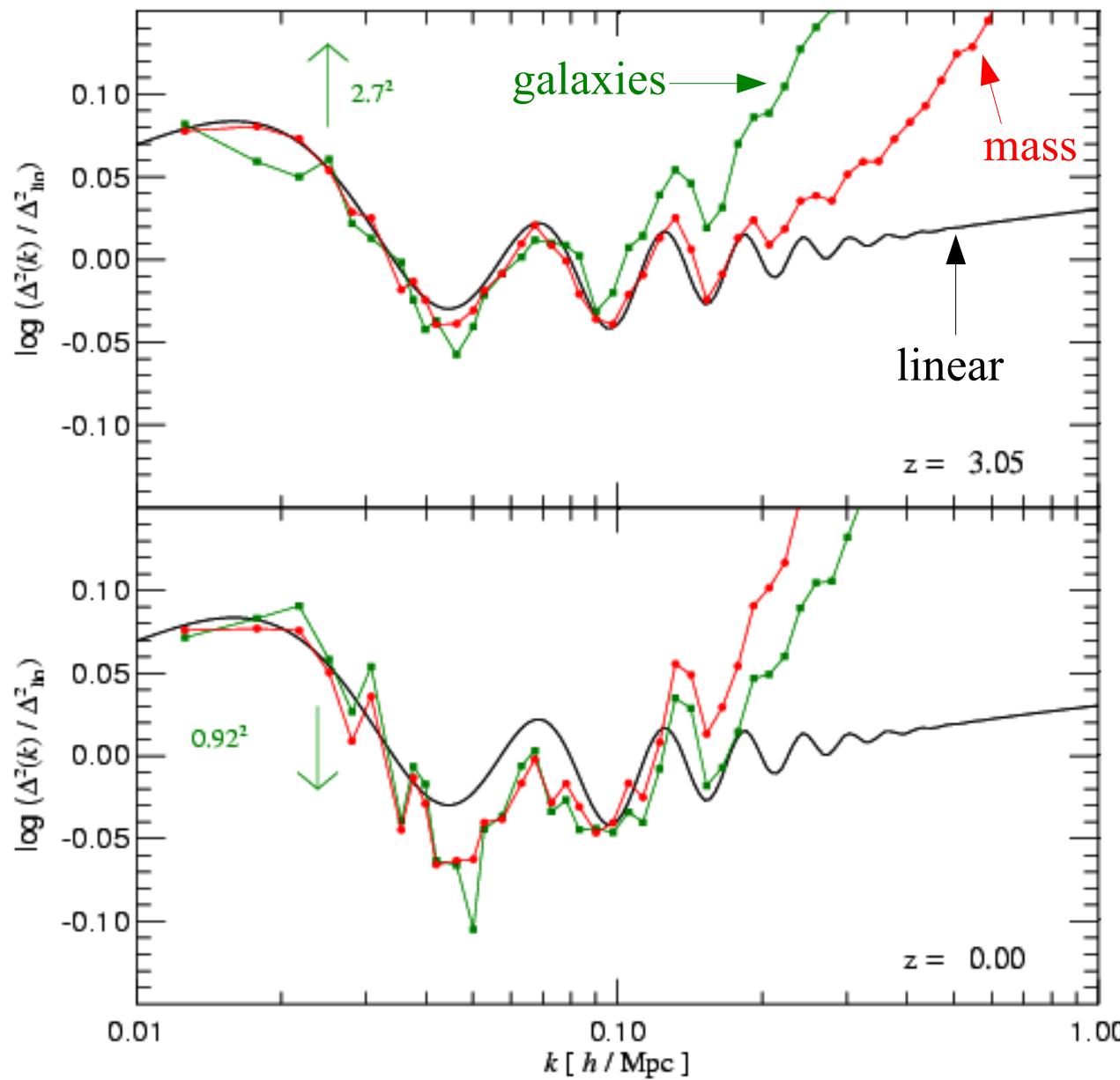


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From public Millennium Simulation data archive



Baryon wiggles in the *galaxy distribution*



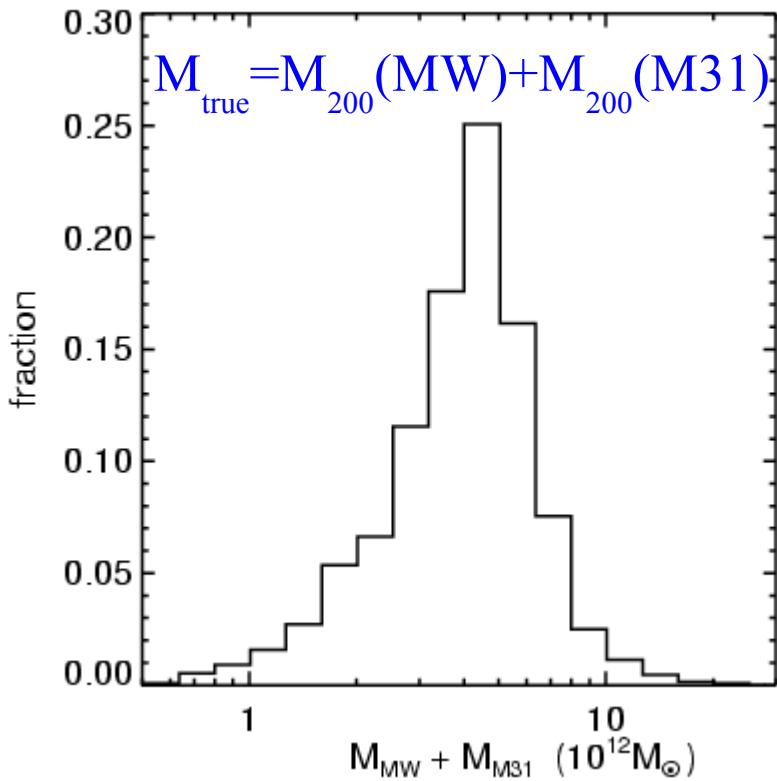
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Power spectra from the Millennium run divided by a baryon-free Λ CDM spectrum

Galaxy samples are matched to plausible large observational surveys at given z

Local Group “Timing Argument” mass estimates with a Λ CDM prior

Li & White 2006



Find all isolated pairs of disk-dominated galaxies with:

- $150 \text{ km/s} < V_{\text{max,halo}} < 300 \text{ km/s}$
- $-80 \text{ km/s} > V_{\text{rad}} > -180 \text{ km/s}$
- $500 \text{ kpc} < D < 1 \text{ Mpc}$

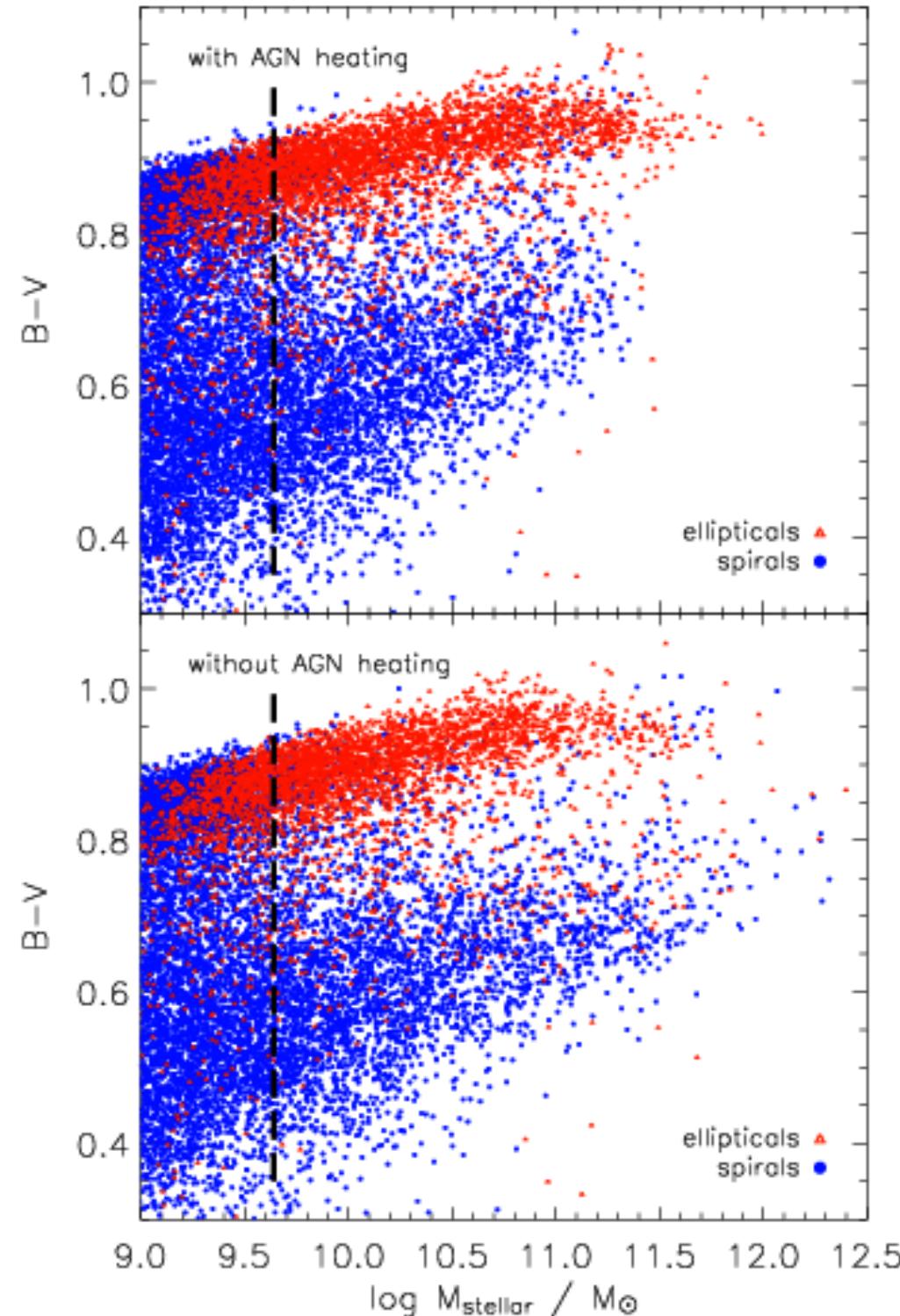
Find ratio of the true mass to the “Timing Argument” estimate for each pair

Multiply by the TA estimate for the Local Group

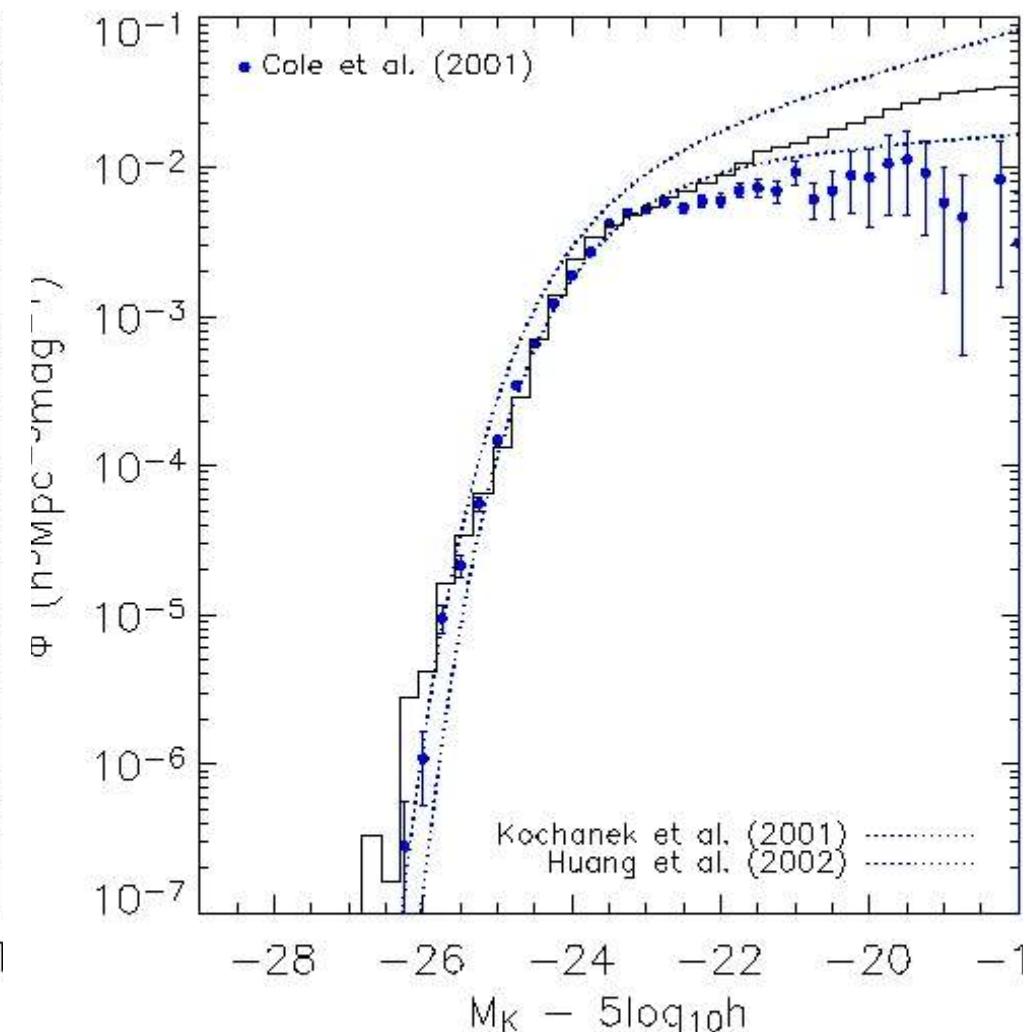
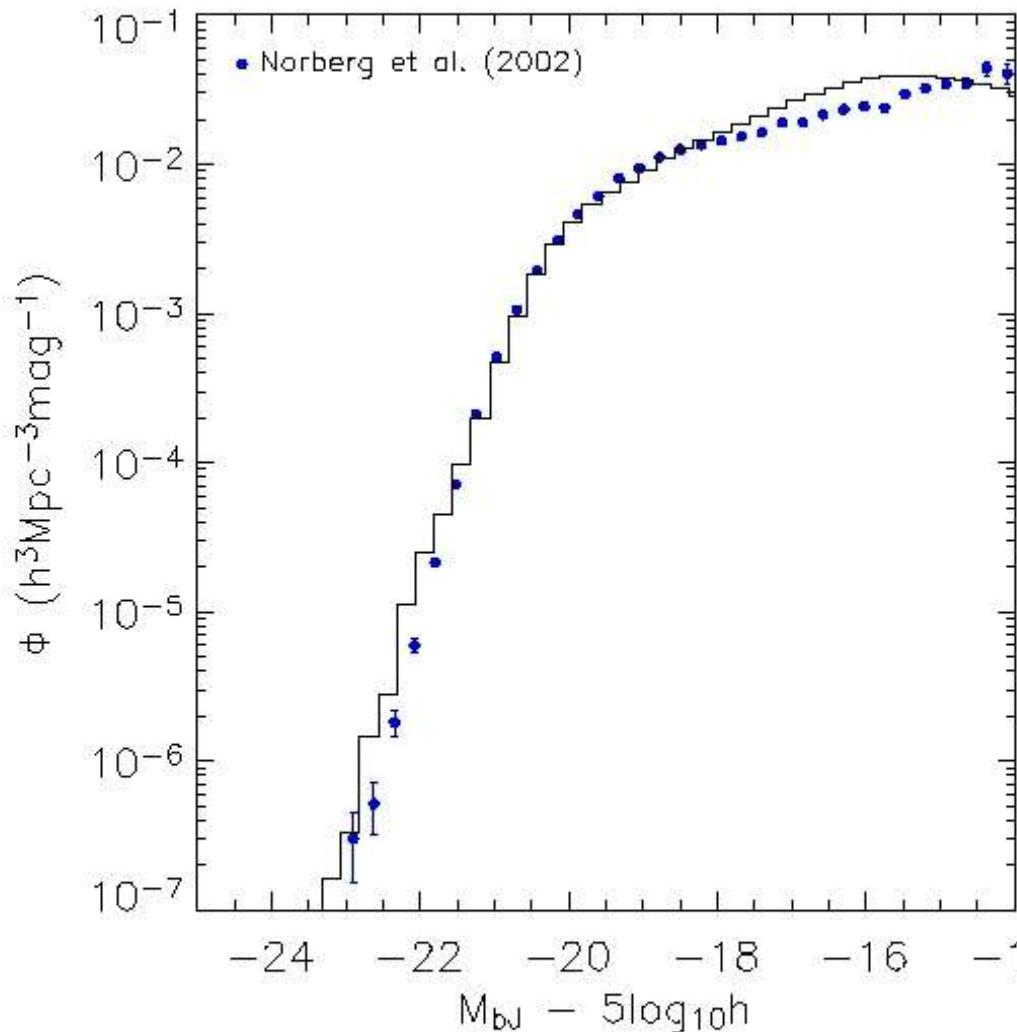
The effects of “radio mode” feedback on z=0 galaxies

Croton et al 2005

- In the absence of a “cure” for the cooling flow problem, the most massive galaxies are:
 - too bright
 - too blue
 - disk-dominated
- With cooling flows suppressed by “radio AGN” these galaxies are
 - less massive
 - red
 - elliptical



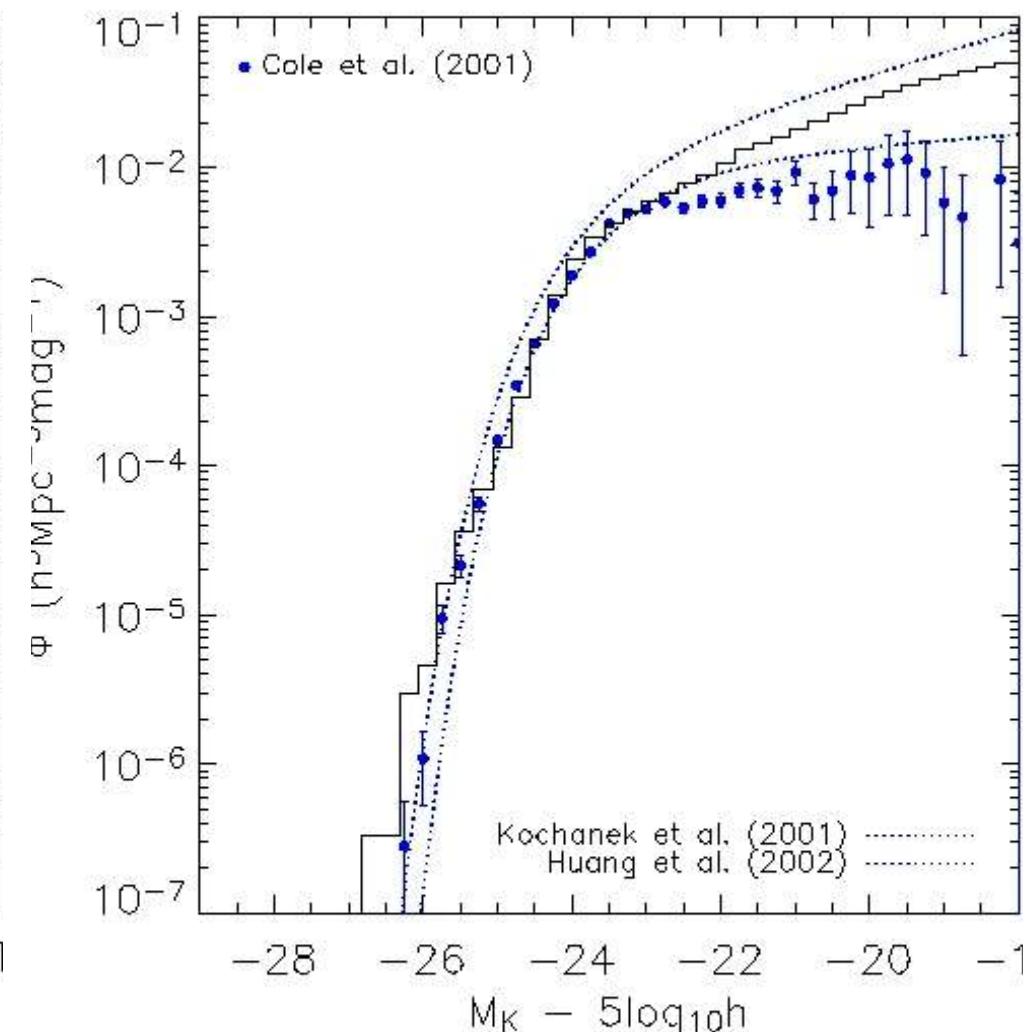
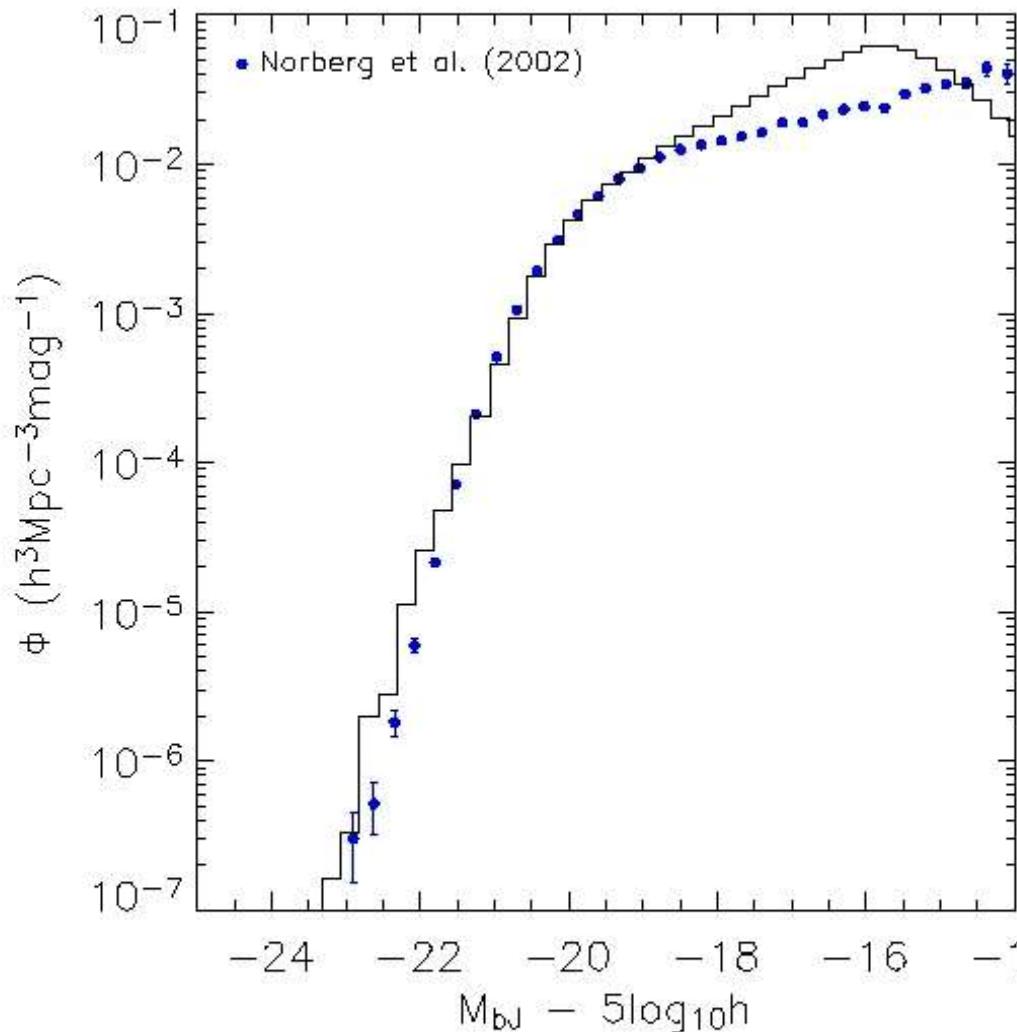
Effect of feedback on the Luminosity Function



Full model with reionisation, AGN and SN feedback

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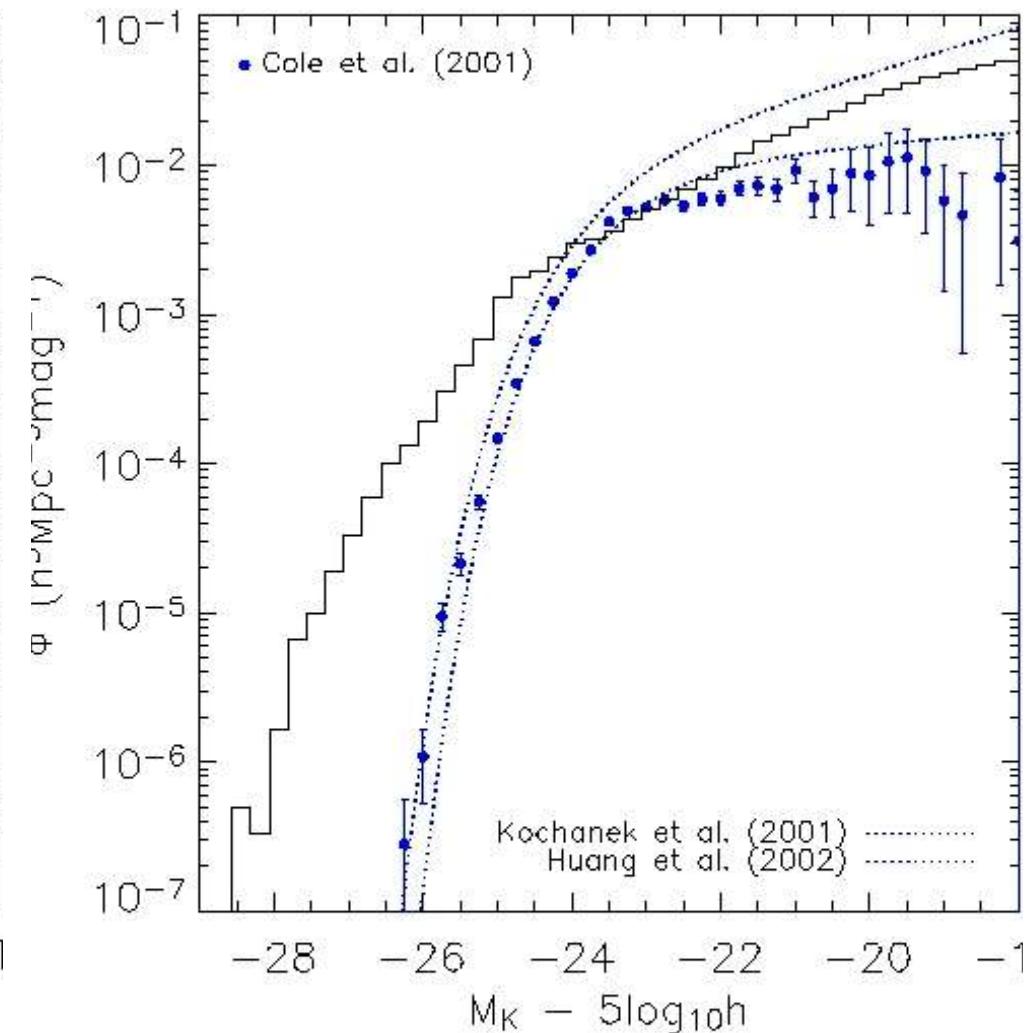
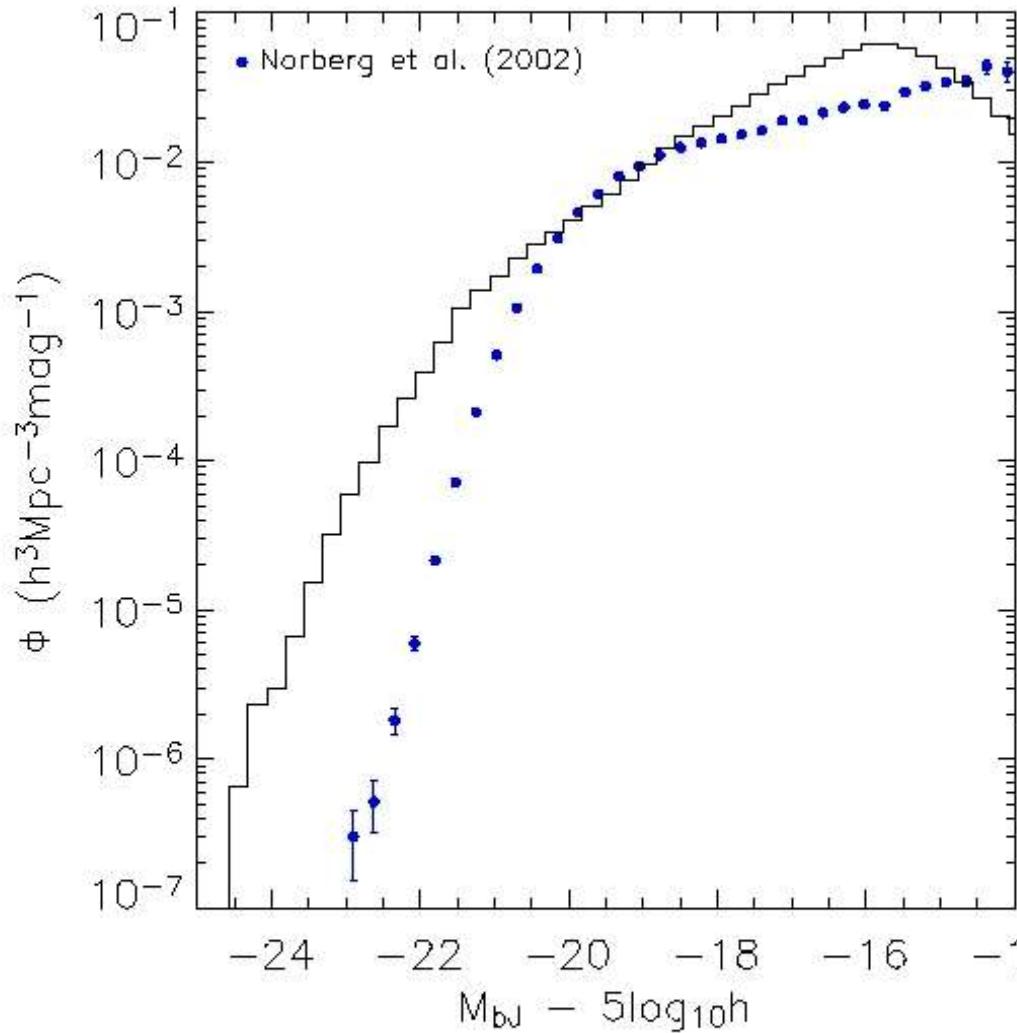
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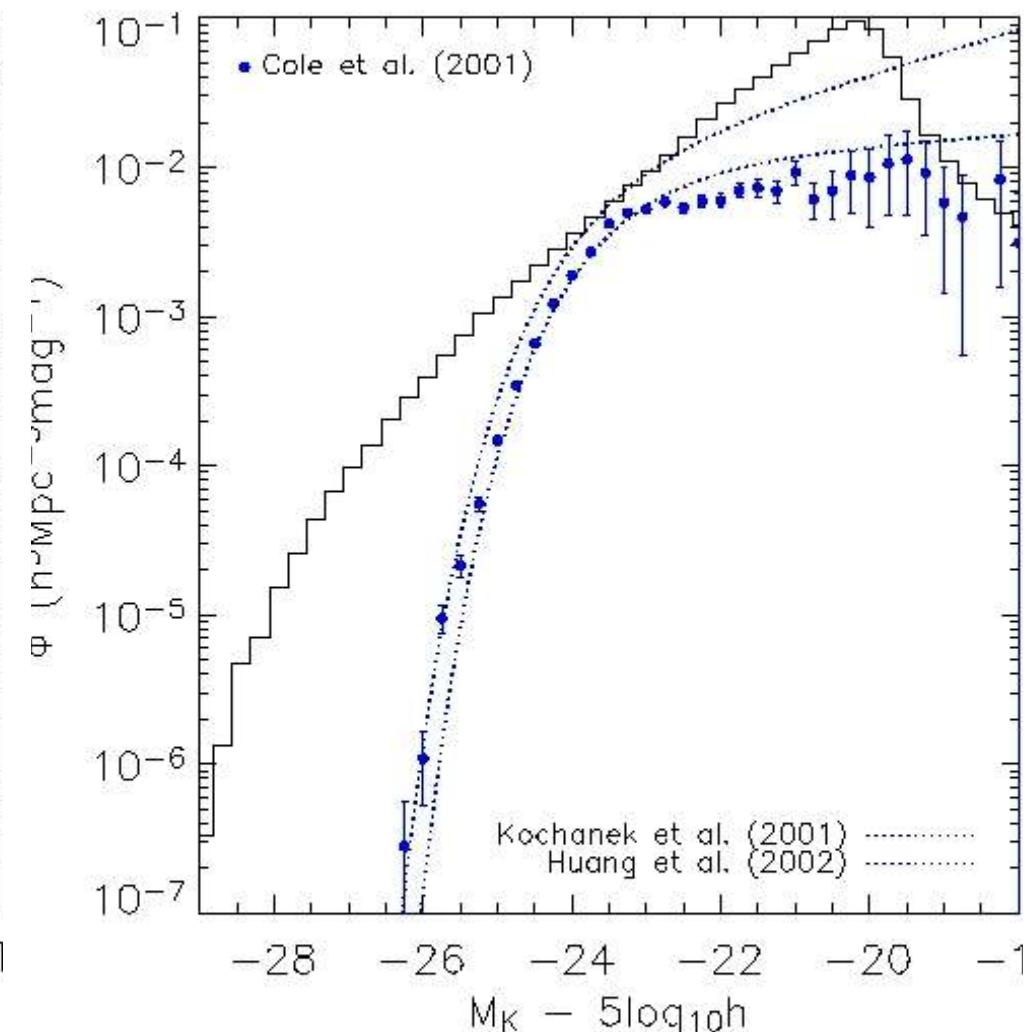
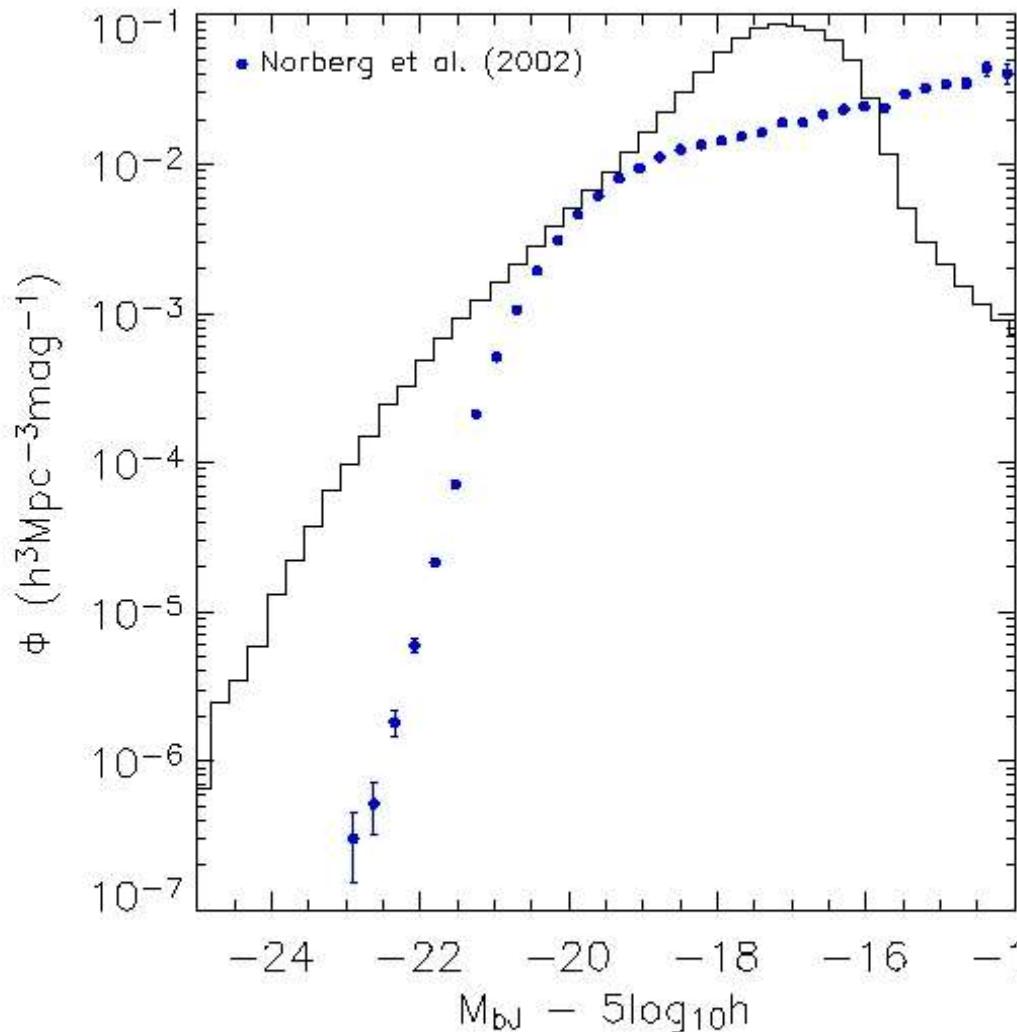
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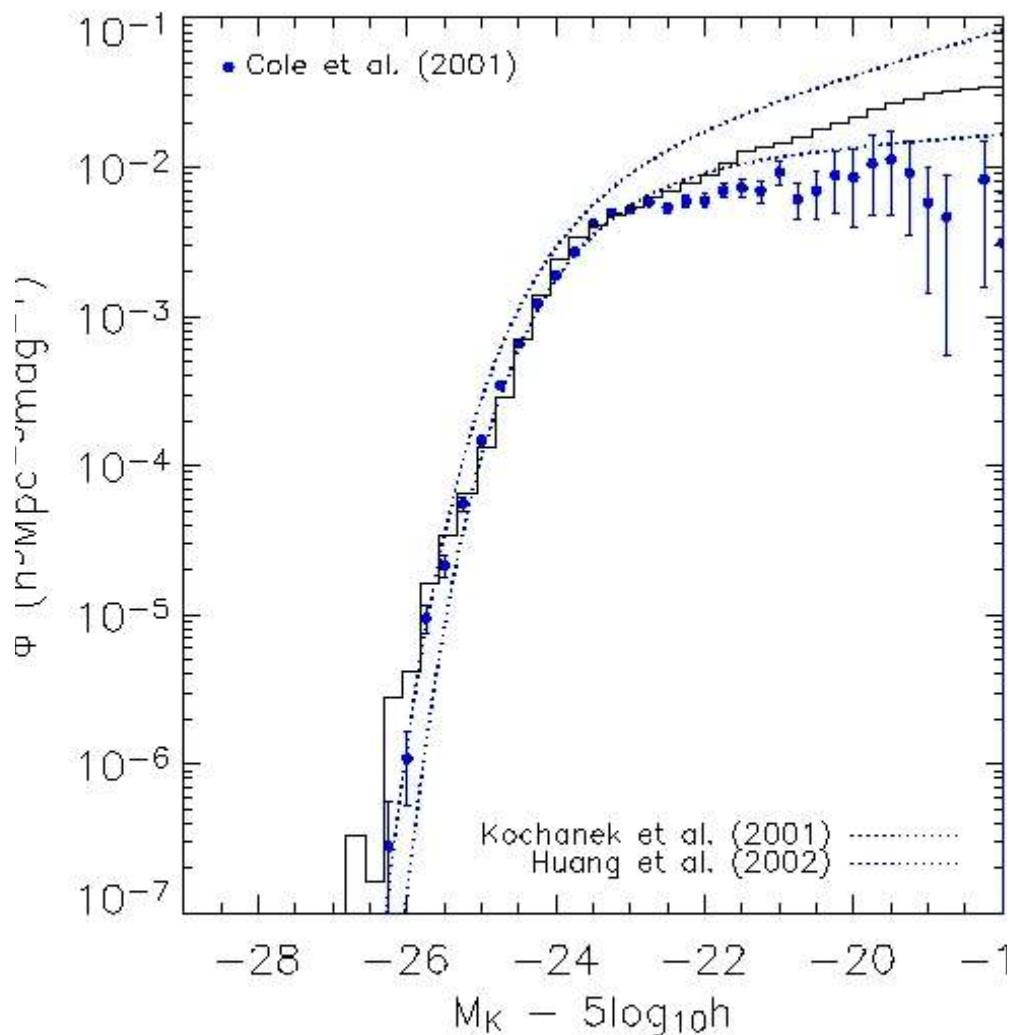
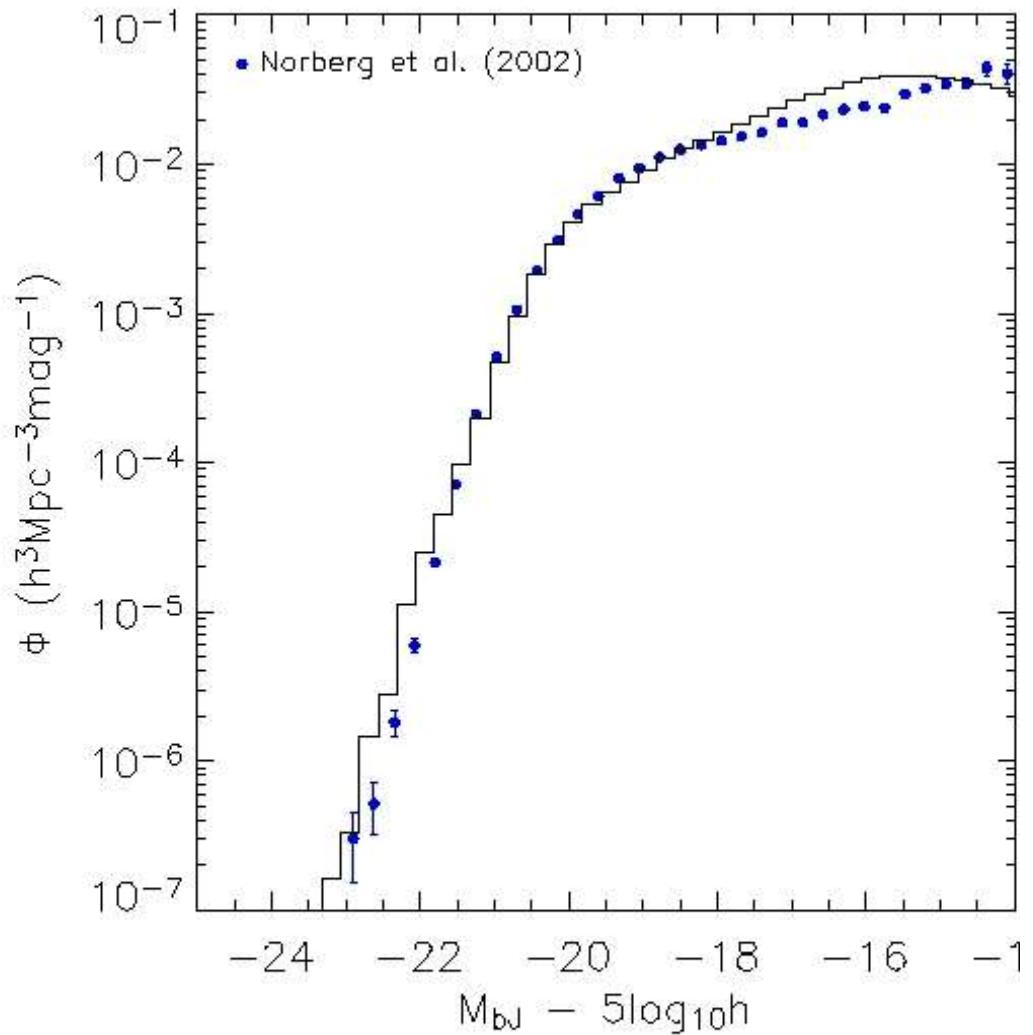
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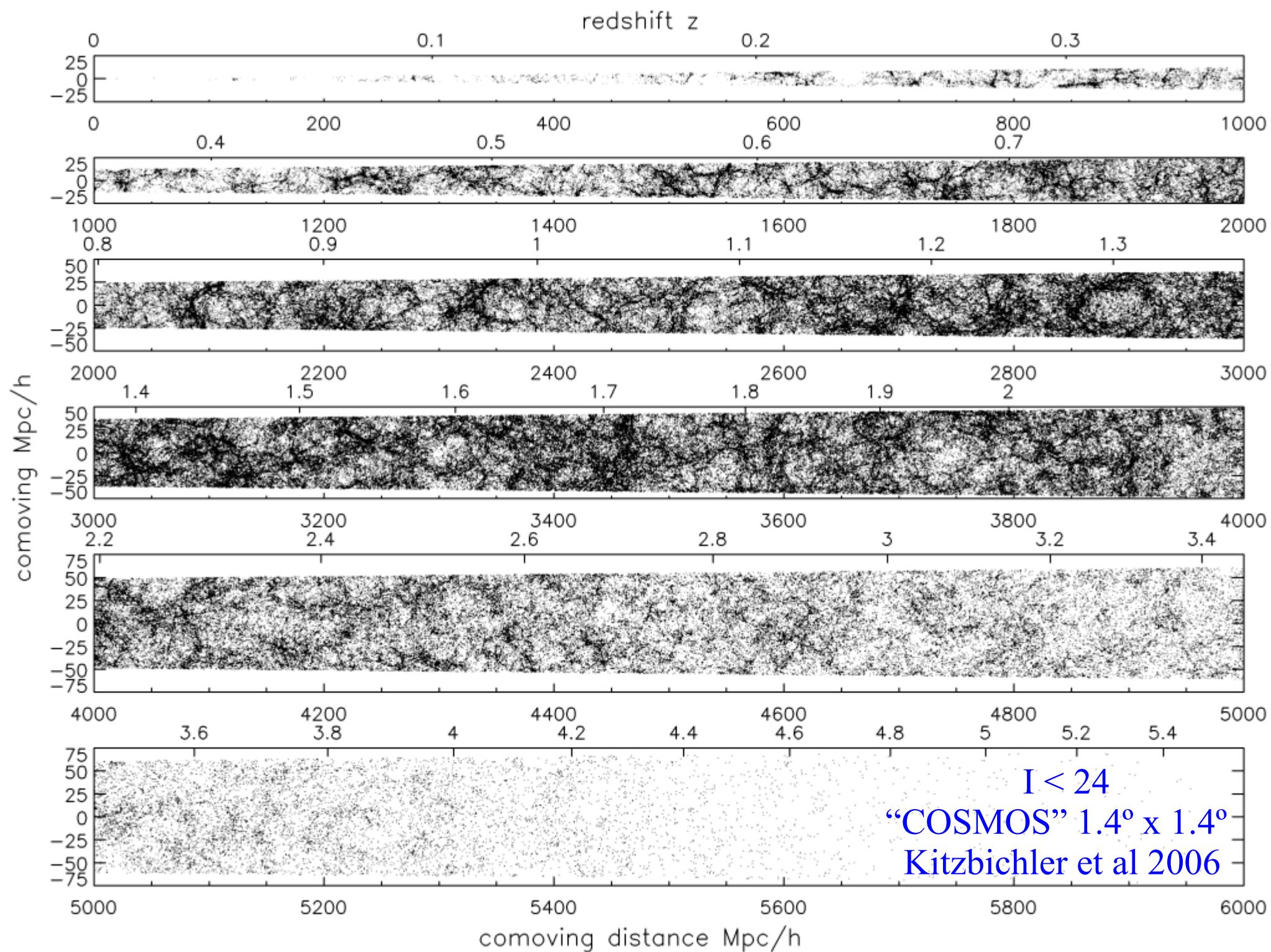
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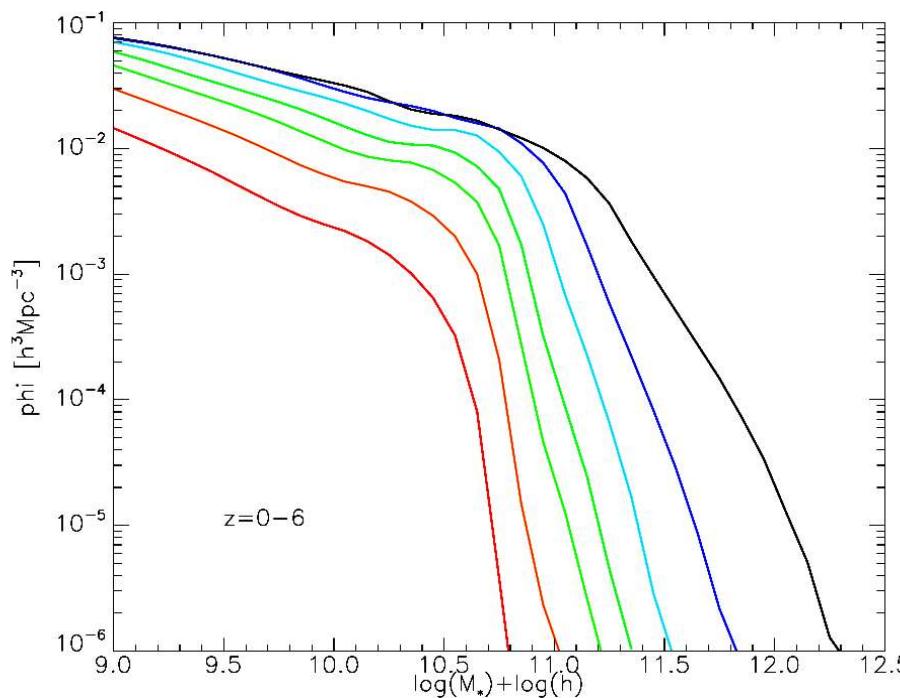
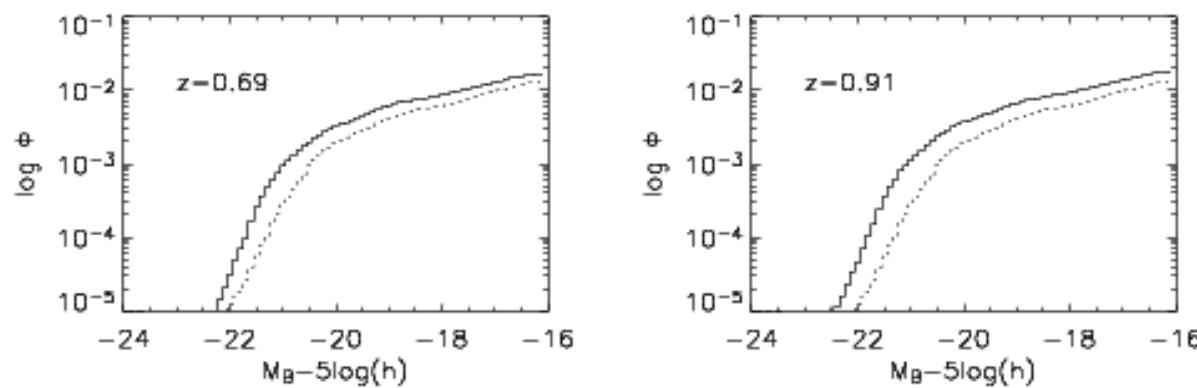
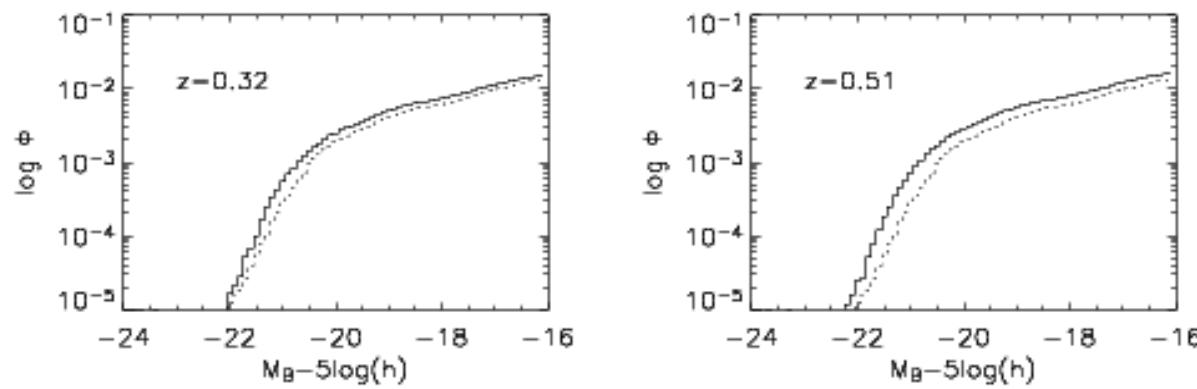
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B-band luminosity
function evolution

Mass function evolution

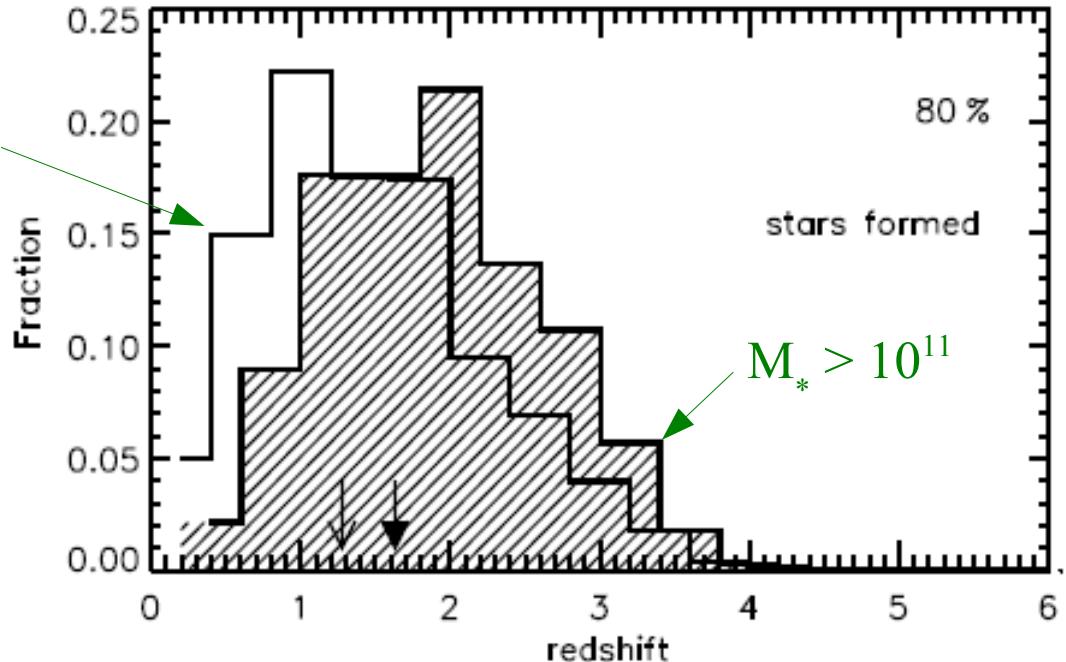
Kitzbichler et al 2006

Formation histories of ellipticals

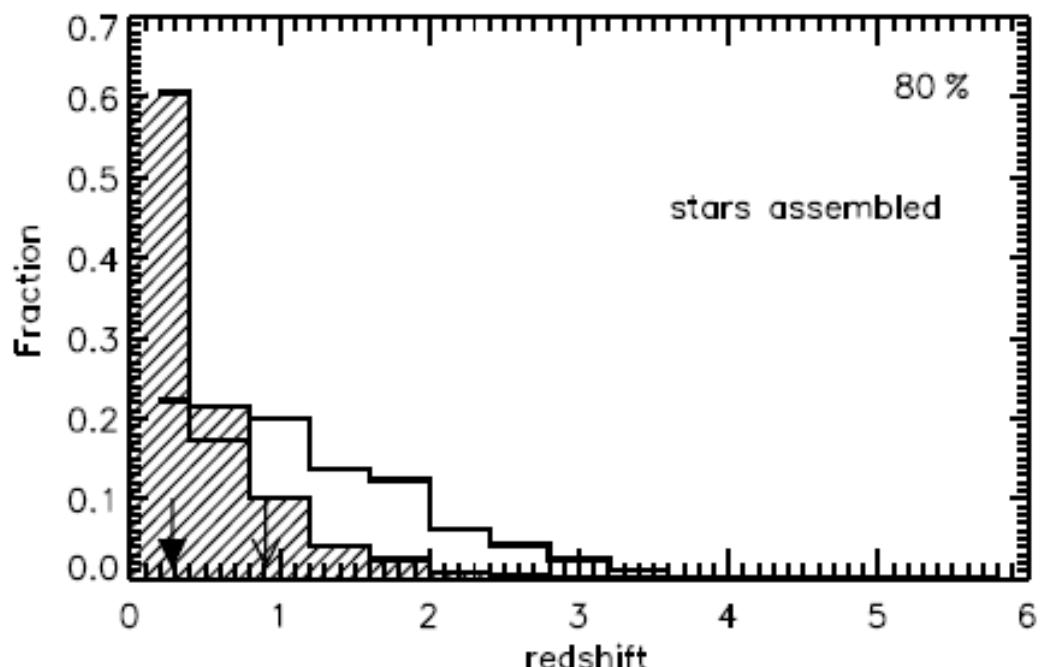
De Lucia et al 2005

$M_* > 4 \cdot 10^9$

Distribution of star formation times

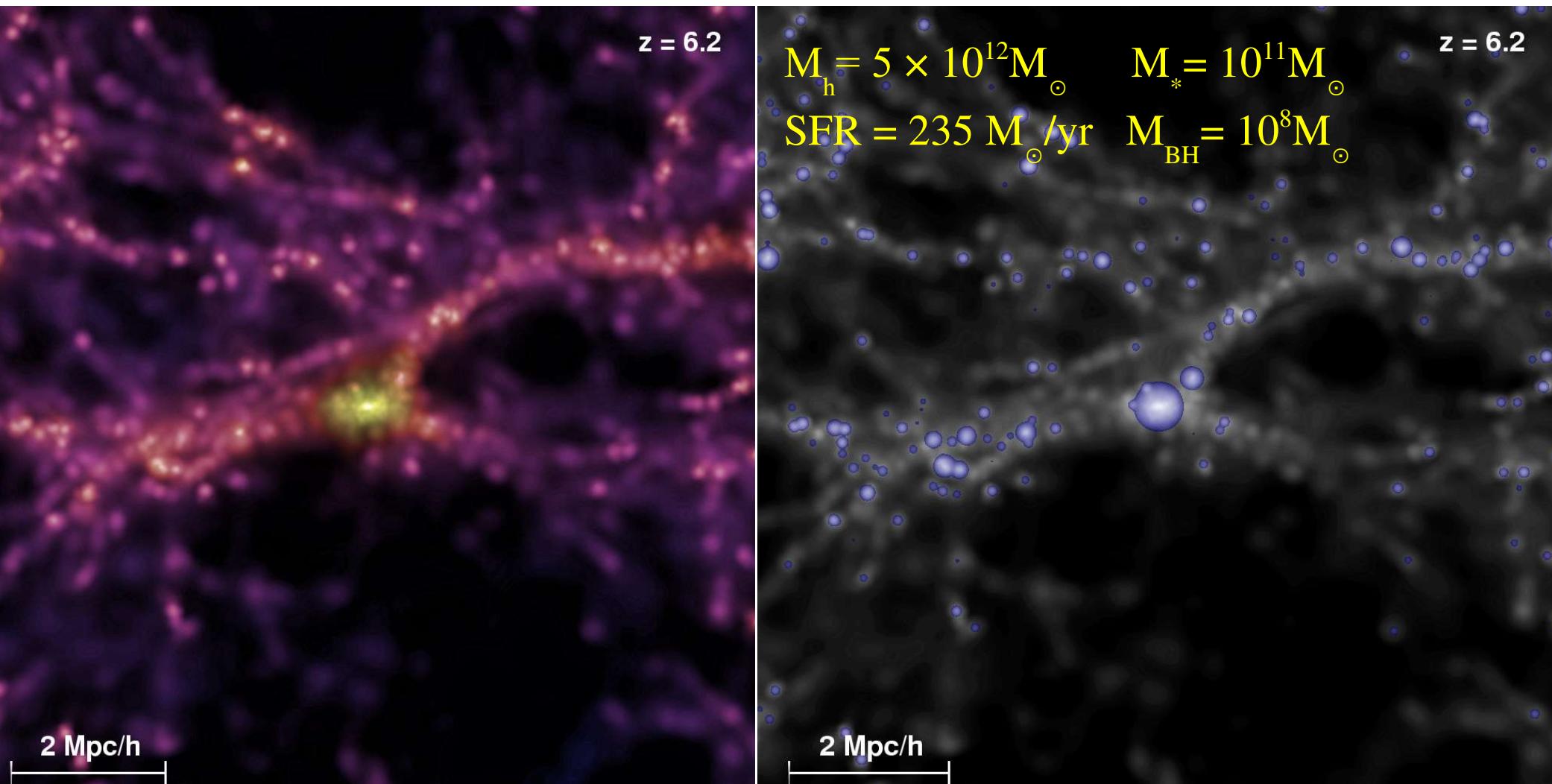


Distribution of assembly times



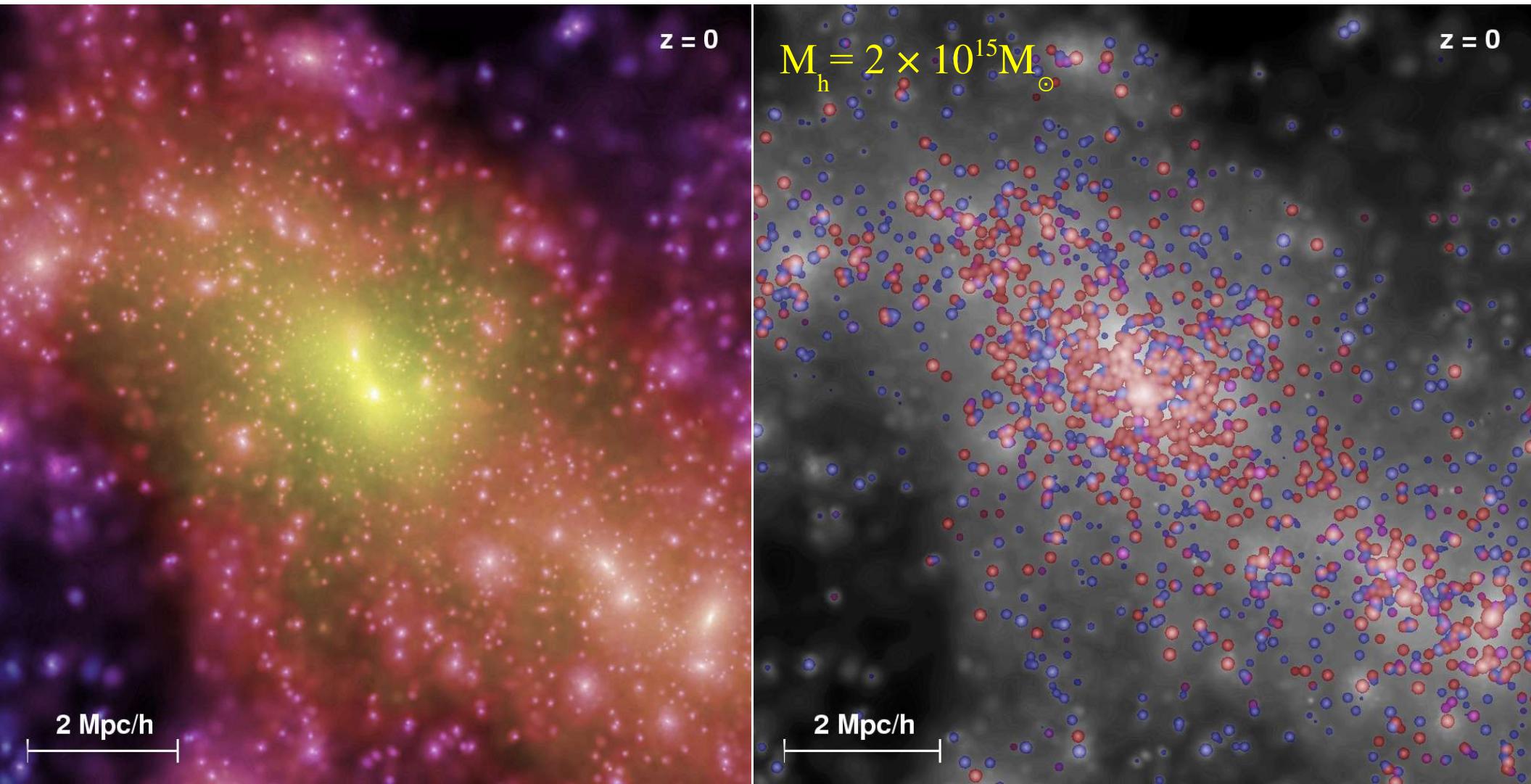
A bright quasar and its surroundings at 1 billion years

One of the most massive dark matter clumps, containing one of the most massive galaxies and most massive black holes.



The quasar's descendant and its surroundings today, at $t = 13.7$ billion years

One of the most massive galaxy clusters. The quasar's descendant is part of the central massive galaxy of the cluster.





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select D.I_HALO,
       D.SNAPNUM,
       D.N_P as D_NP,
       P1.N_P as P1_NP,
       P2.N_P as P2_NP
  from HALO P1,
       HALO P2,
       HALO D
 where P1.SNAPNUM=P2.SNAPNUM
   and P1.I_HALO < P2.I_HALO
   and P1.I_DESCENDANT = D.I_HALO
   and P2.I_DESCENDANT = D.I_HALO
   and P1.N_P >= .2*D.N_P
   and P2.N_P >= .2*D.N_P
   and D.N_P > 1000
```

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Maximum number of rows to return to the query form: ▾

Previous queries : ▾

[Halo 1](#) [Galaxy 1](#) Find halos/galaxies at a given redshift (SNAPNUM) within a certain part of the simulation volume (X,Y,Z).

[Halo 2](#) Find the whole progenitor tree, in depth-first order, of a halo identified by its id (I_HALO)

[Halo 3](#) Find the progenitors at a given redshift (SNAPNUM) of all halos of mass (N_P) greater than 4000 at a later redshift (SNAPNUM). The progenitors are limited to have mass >= 100.

[Halo 4](#) Find all the halos of mass (N_P) >= 1000 that have just had a major merger, defined by having at least two progenitors of mass >= 0.2*descendant mass.

[Halo 5](#) [Galaxy 5](#) Find the mass/luminosity function of halos/galaxies at z=0 using logarithmic intervals.

[Galaxy 6](#) Find the Tully–Fisher relation, Mag_b/v/i/k vs V_vir for galaxies with bulge/total mass ratio < 0.1. Subsample by about 1% (RANDOM between 20000 and 30000).

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