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# **Simulating the galaxy population**

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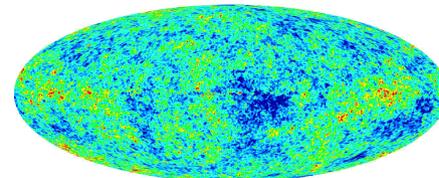
# Population simulations provide a tool...

- To explore the statistics and interactions of the many processes affecting stars and gas within growing  $\Lambda$ CDM structures
- To understand how the effects of these processes are reflected in the various observed population properties of galaxies and their evolution -- abundances, scaling relations, clustering
- To allow interpretation of large observational surveys in terms of the rates, efficiencies and significance of these processes
- NOT to make a definitive *a priori* physical model for the formation of everything from linear  $\Lambda$ CDM initial conditions
- NOR to represent the internal structure of individual galaxies at anything but the most schematic level

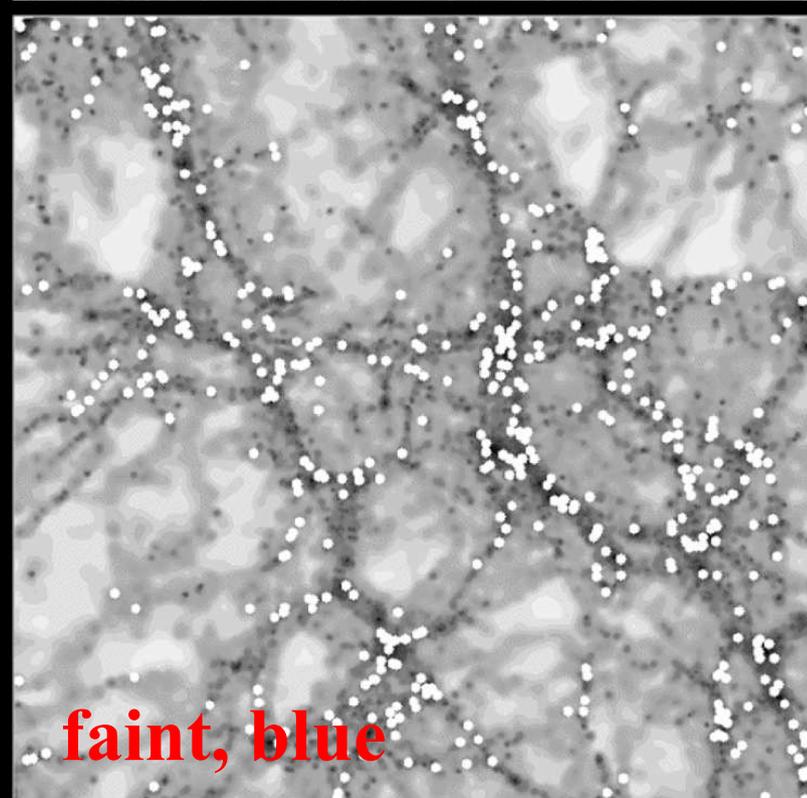
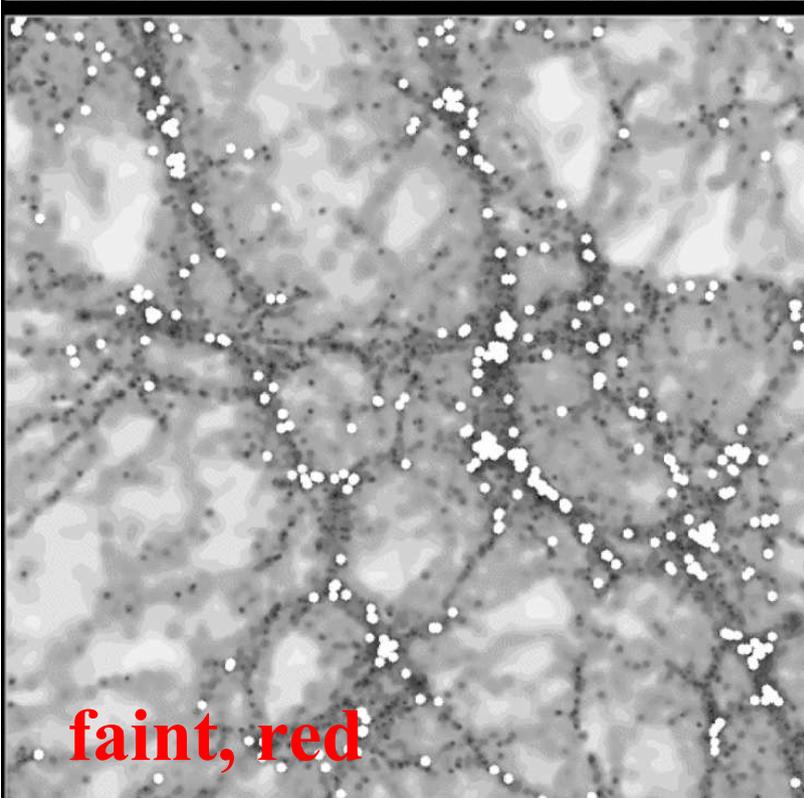
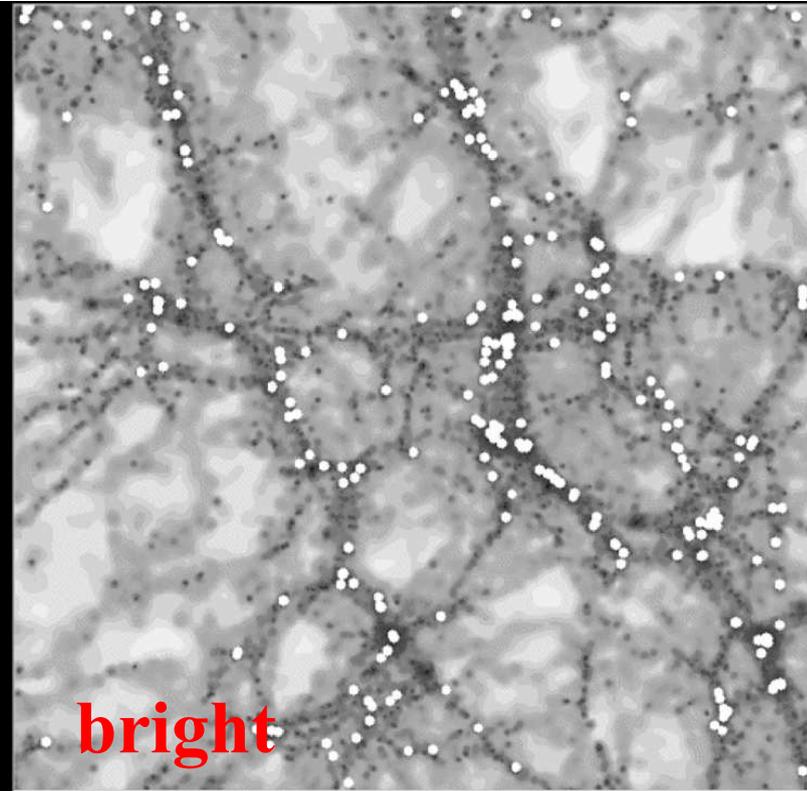
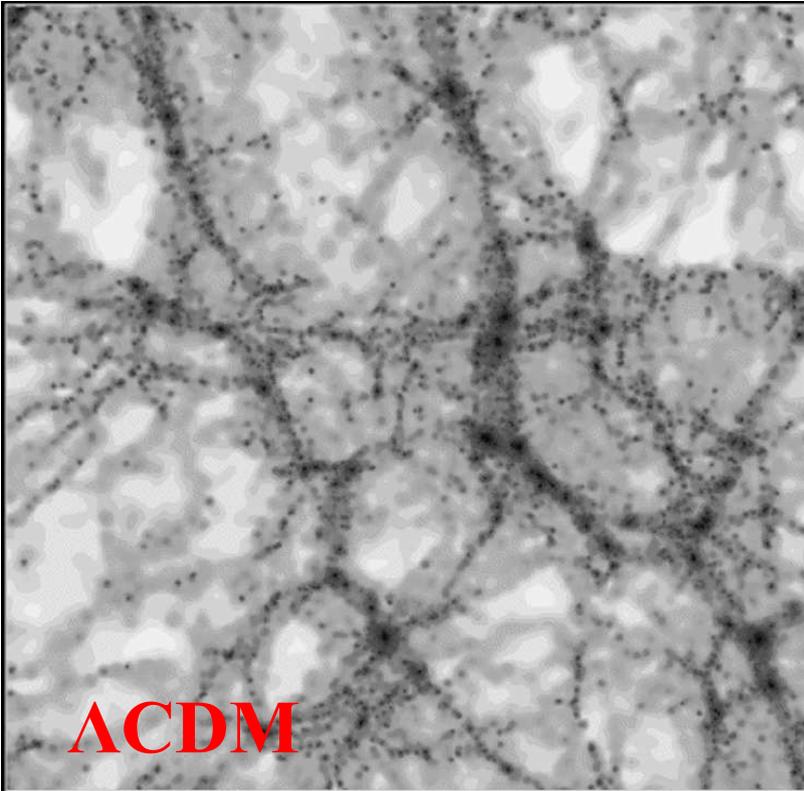
# The semi-analytic programme

- Follow the DM distribution with high-resolution simulations  
identify dark halos/subhalos at all times, building merger trees to describe their growth, internal structure and spatial distribution
- Treat baryonic physics within the evolving population of DM objects using simplified physical models for processes such as  
gas cooling onto central galaxies  
star formation within these central galaxies  
central black hole growth  
generation of winds through stellar and AGN feedback  
production, expulsion and mixing of nucleosynthesis products
- Measure the efficiencies of these processes as functions of redshift and galaxy properties by comparing model output directly with observational data

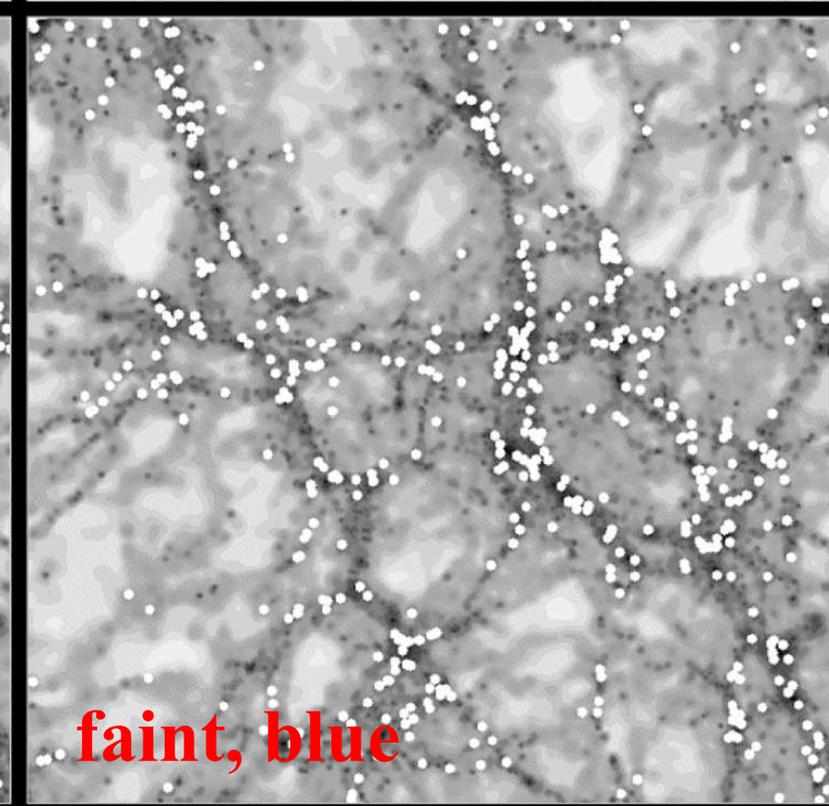
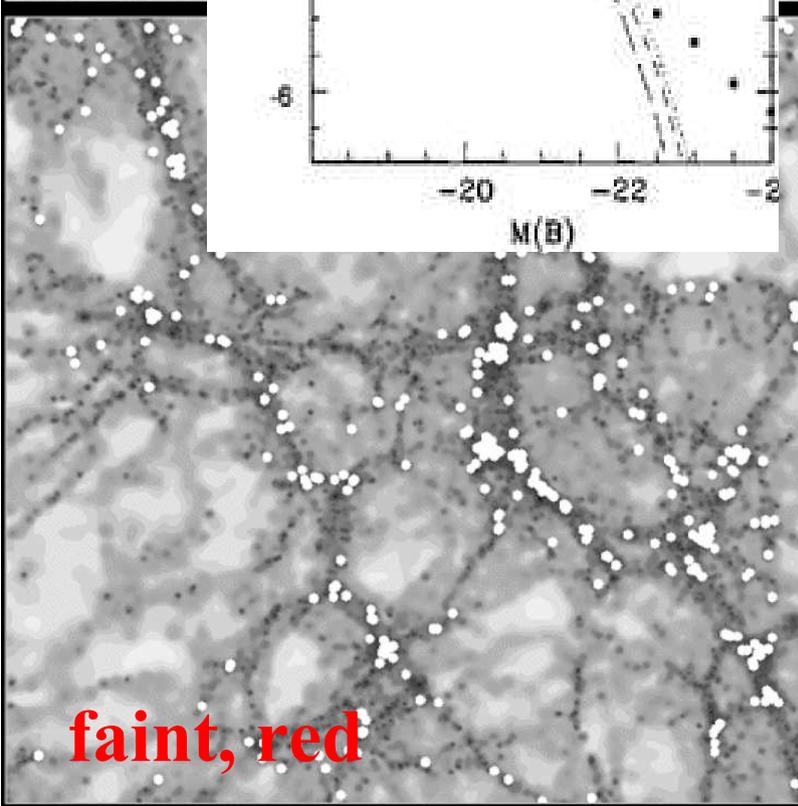
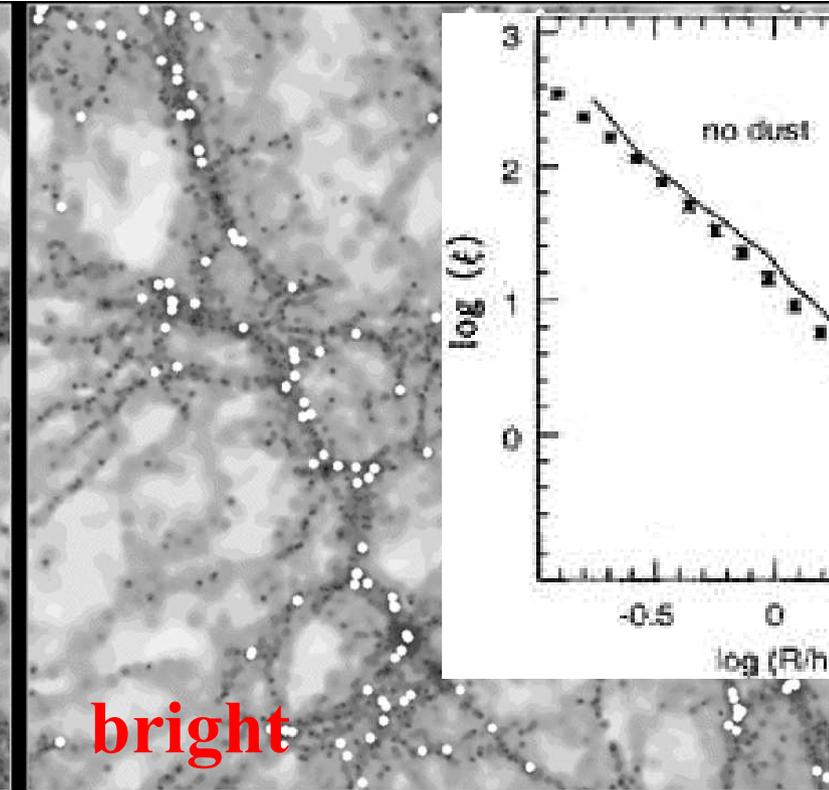
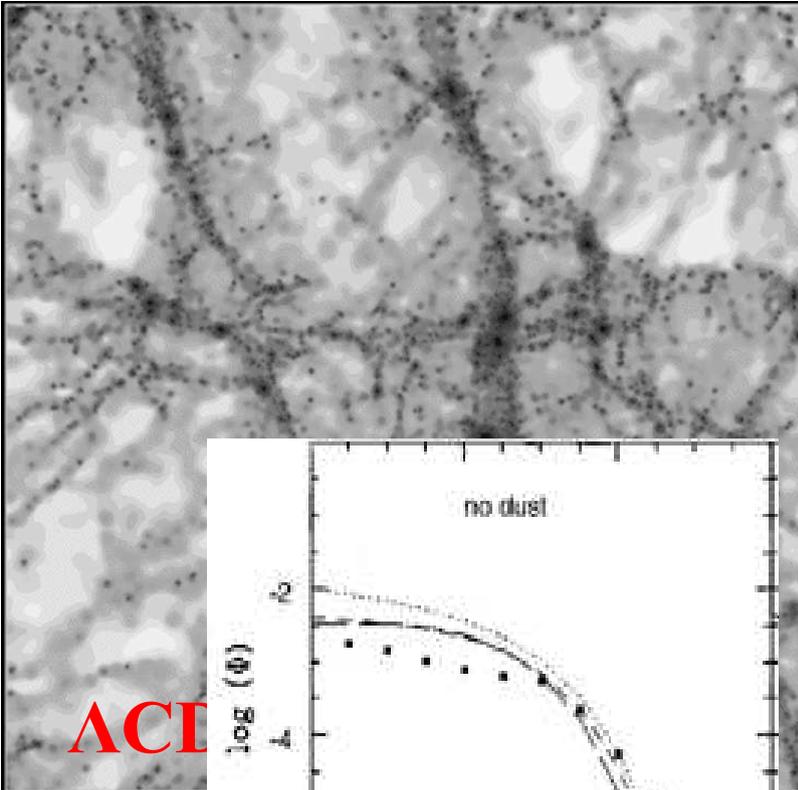
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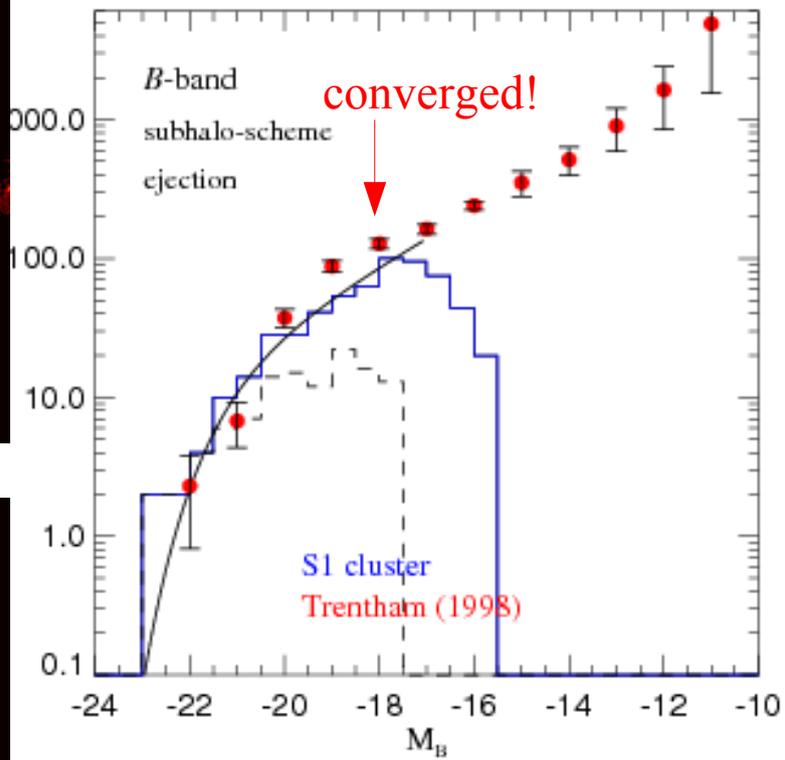
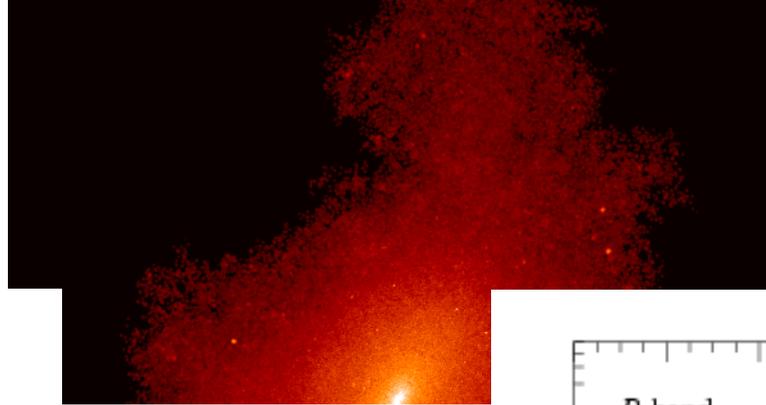
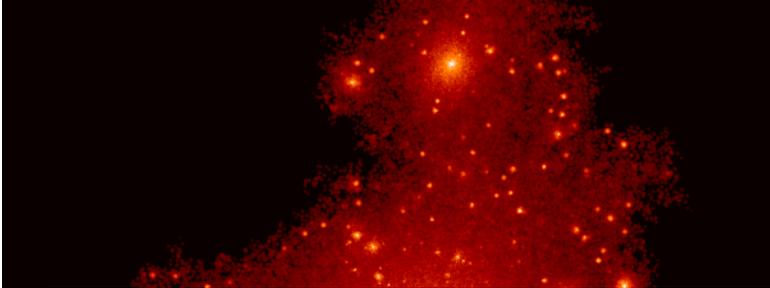


Kauffmann et al  
1999



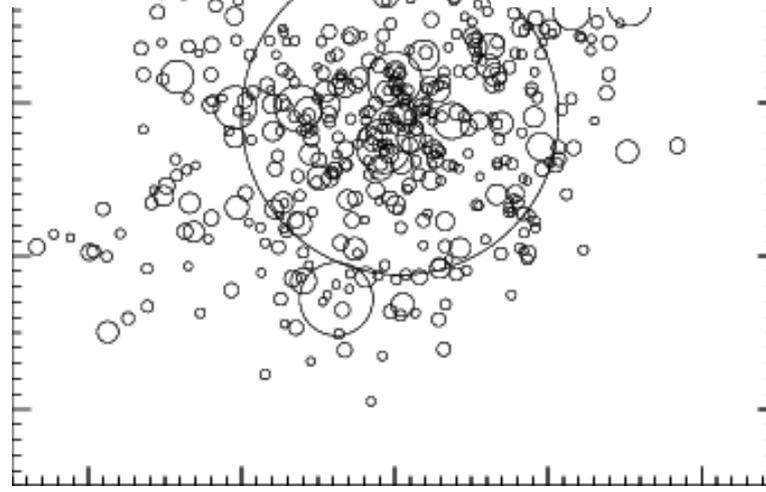
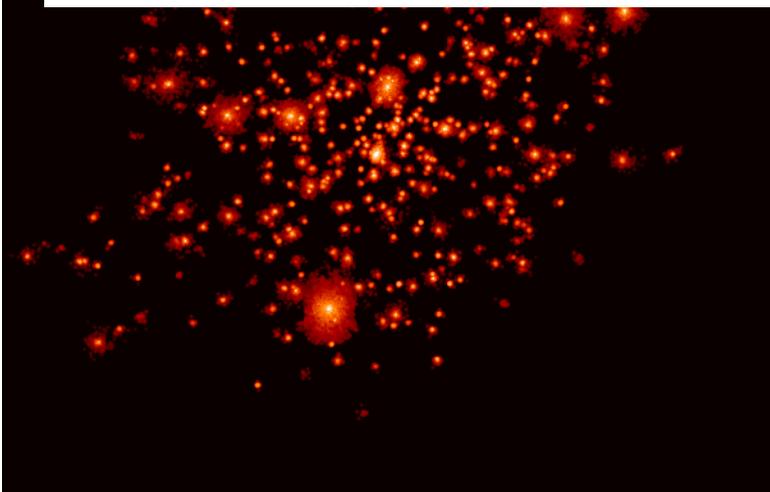
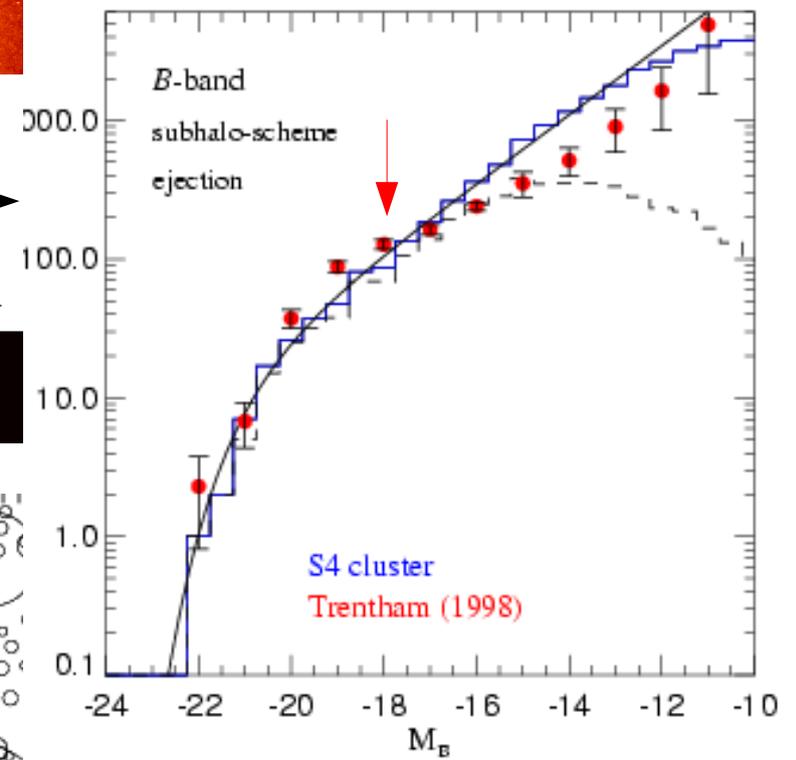
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x 150 in

mass resolution



Springel et al  
2001

# Millennium Run 2004

2 June 2005 | www.nature.com/nature | £10

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# nature

## GENOME EDITING

Rewriting the rules for gene therapy

## BCL-2 INHIBITORS

Potent new antitumour compounds

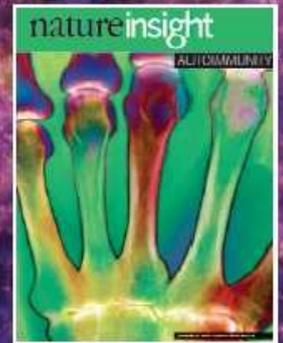
## HUMAN BEHAVIOUR

Oxytocin — the 'trust hormone'

## SURPRISING DINOSAURS

A sauropod, by a short neck

INSIDE: UP-TO-THE-MINUTE  
REVIEWS ON AUTOIMMUNITY

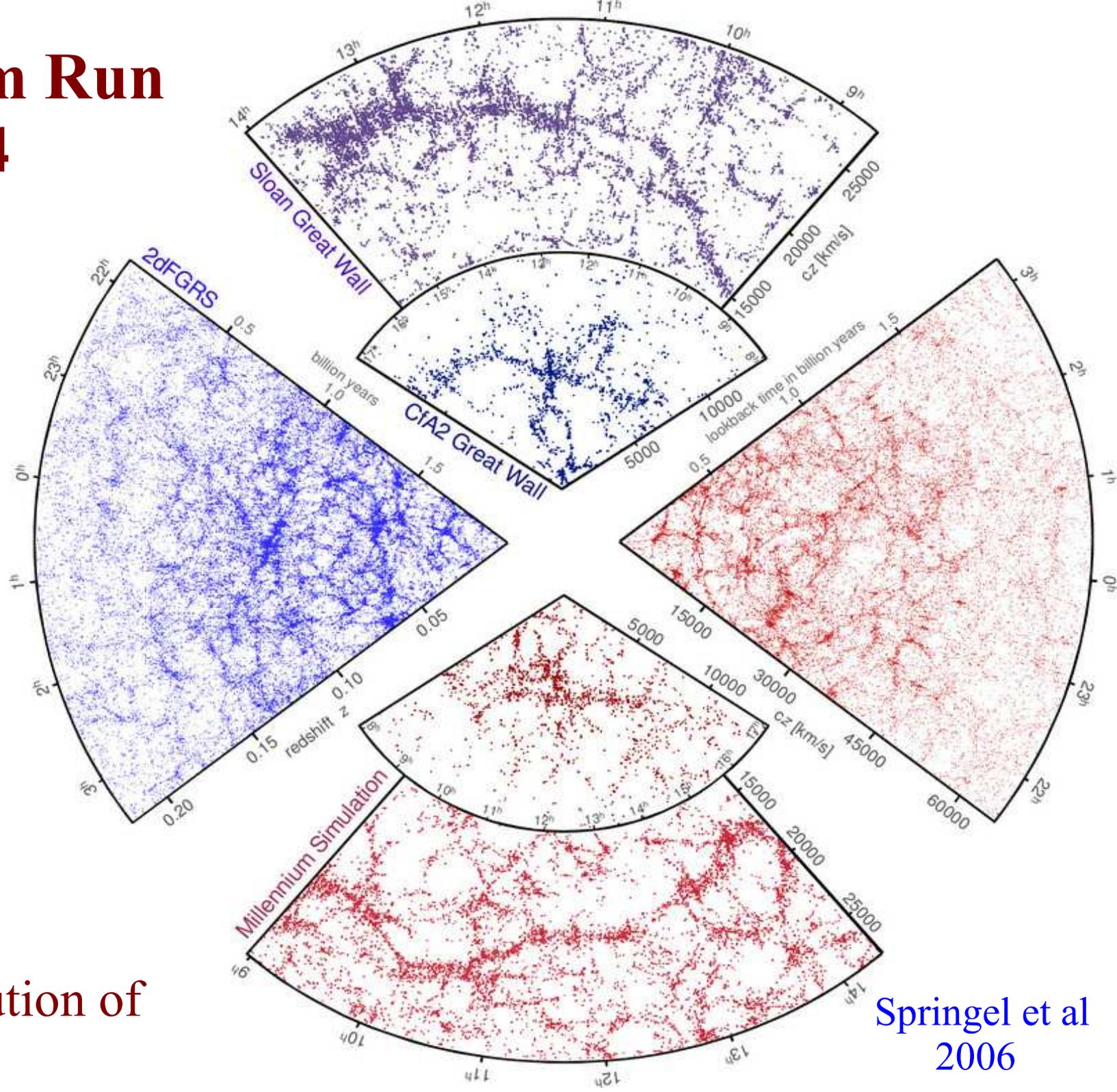


# EVOLUTION OF THE UNIVERSE

Supercomputer simulation of the  
growth of 20 million galaxies

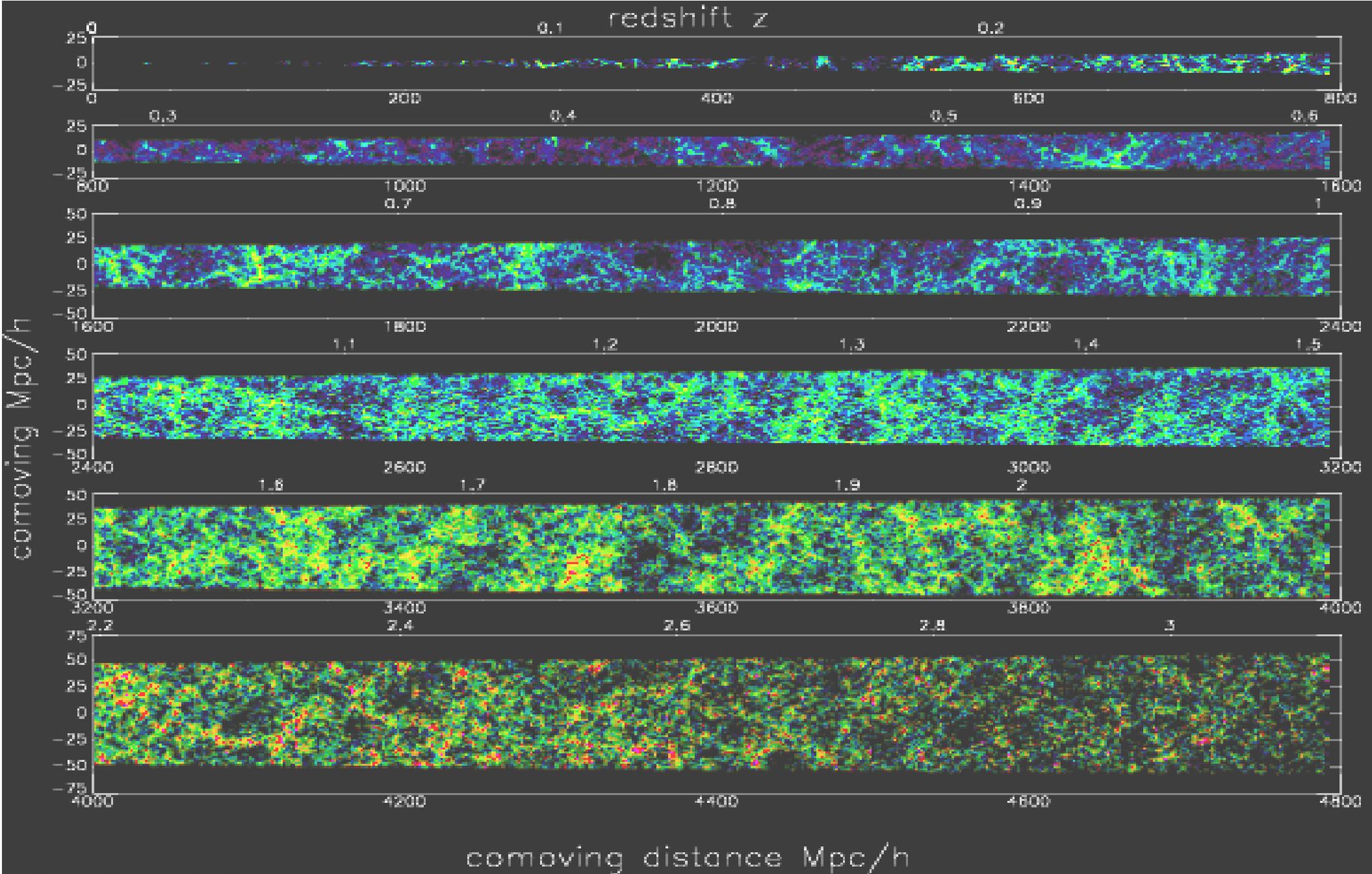
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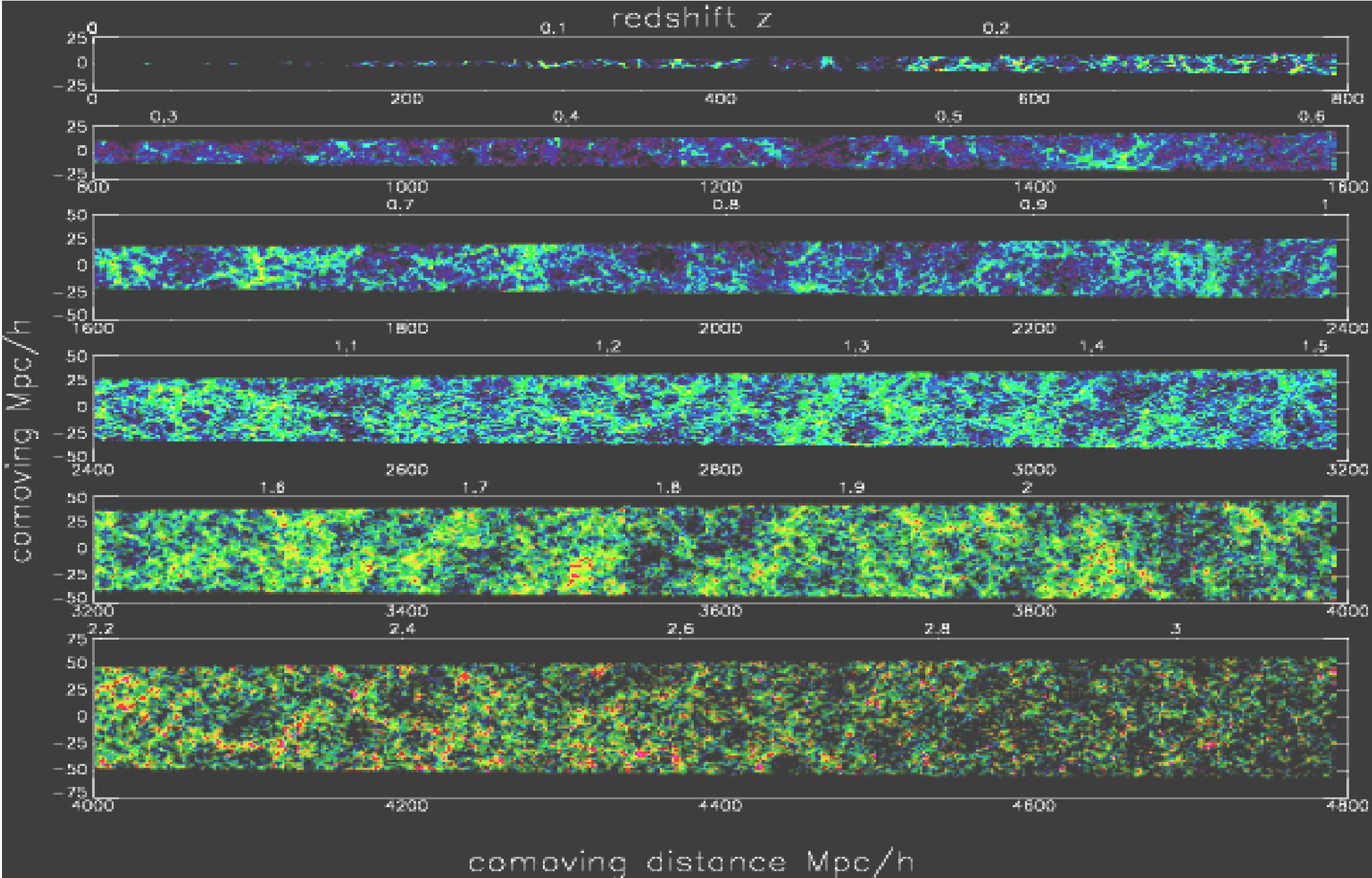
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Springel et al  
2006



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Kitzbichler & White  
2007



398 papers making direct use of data from the MS (14-7-2011)  
 Most by authors unassociated with the consortium  
 Most based on the galaxy catalogues, particularly mock surveys

# Virgo-Millennium Database

Since 2006

- > 450 registered users
- > 13 million queries
- ~ 170 billion rows
- mirror@Durham
- copy@AIP: multidark.org (incl Bolshoi, Multidark sim's)

The screenshot shows the MultiDark Database website. The header features the site name and a navigation menu. The main content area is titled "Query the MultiDark Database" and includes a "Query Form" section with a text input field and buttons for "Query (stream)", "Query (browser)", and "Clear All". Below this, there are sections for "Previous queries" and "Demo queries". The left sidebar contains a "Home" section with a "Query Form" link and a list of "Public Databases" including DGalaxies, DHalotrees, Goo2010a, MField, MillenniumII, millimI, miniMIII, MMSnapshots, MPAGalaxies, MPAHaloTrees, and MPAMocks. The bottom of the page features logos for MultiDark, GAVO, and AIP.

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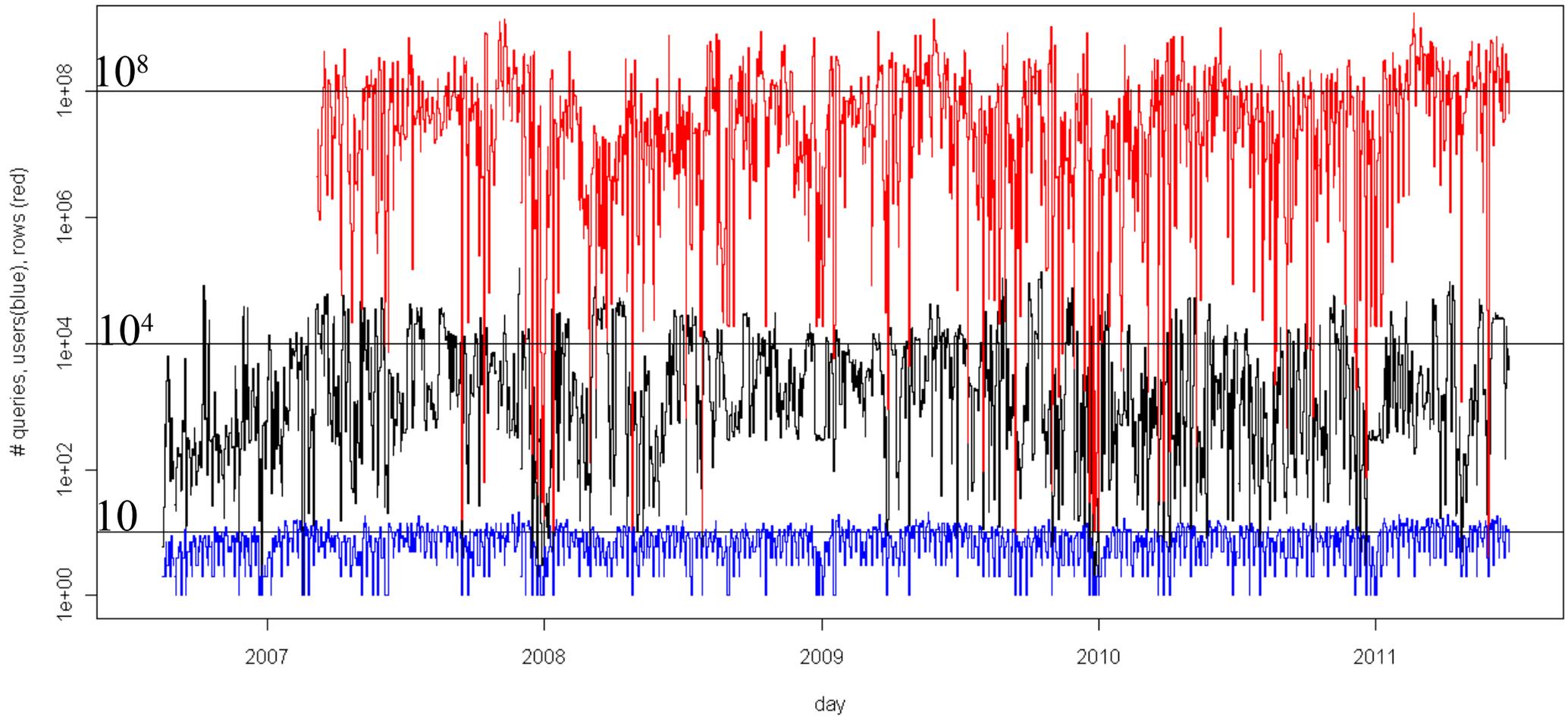
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select sum(convert(bigint,numrows)) as n
from millennium3admin..dbjobs
where dbusername !='monitor'
and numrows > 0
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Lemson et al  
2006

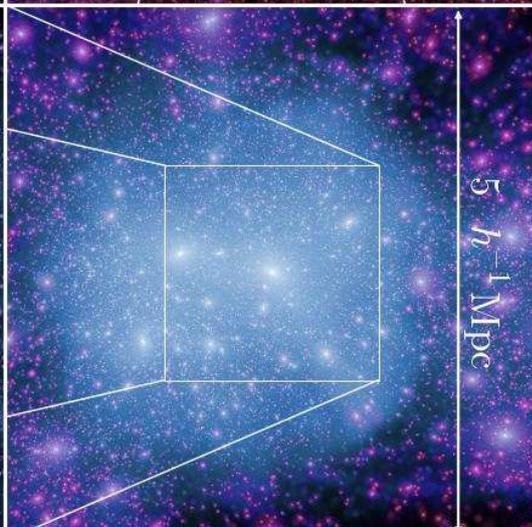
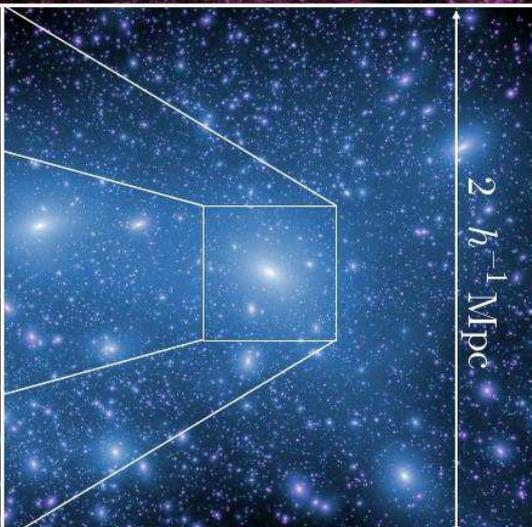
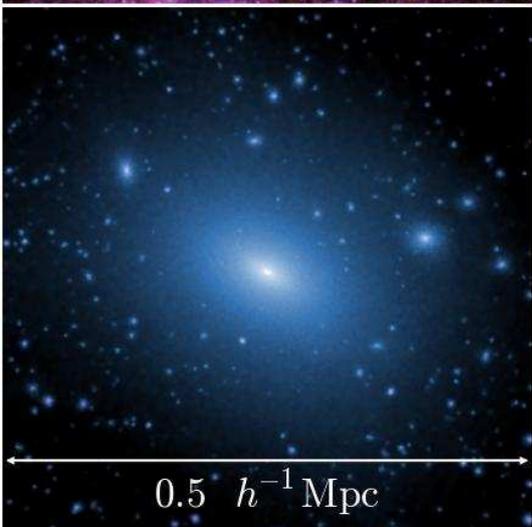
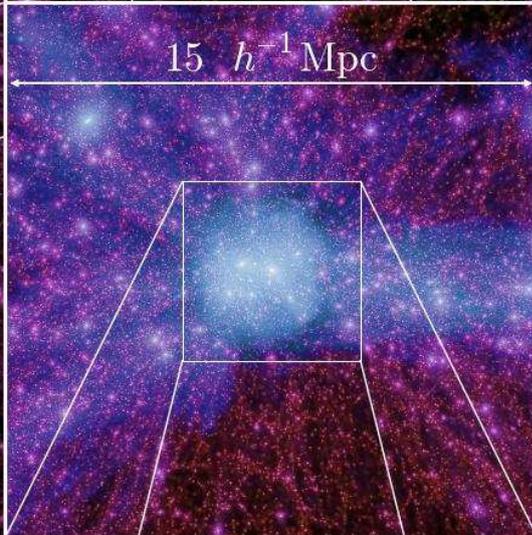
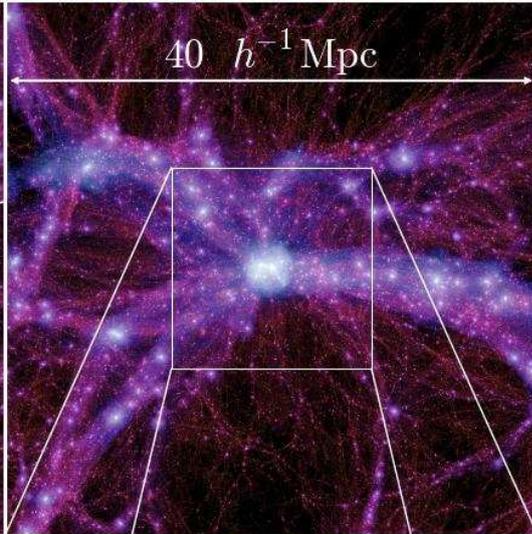
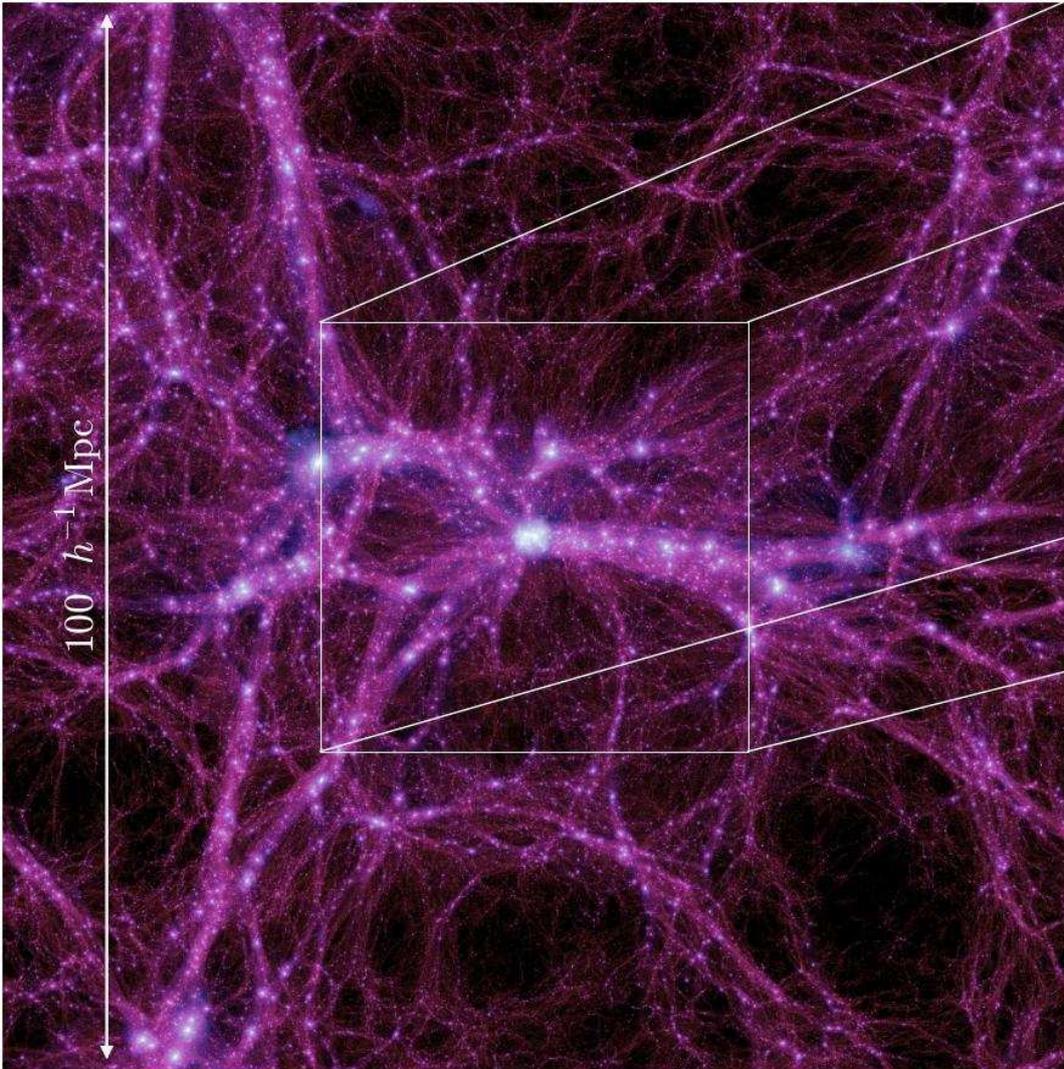
# Daily usage

rows, queries, users



# Limitations of the Millennium Simulation

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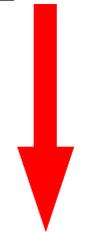
# Millennium-II (2008)

Same cosmology

Same N

1/5 linear size

Same outputs/  
post-processing



Resolution tests  
of MS results  
and extension to  
smaller scales

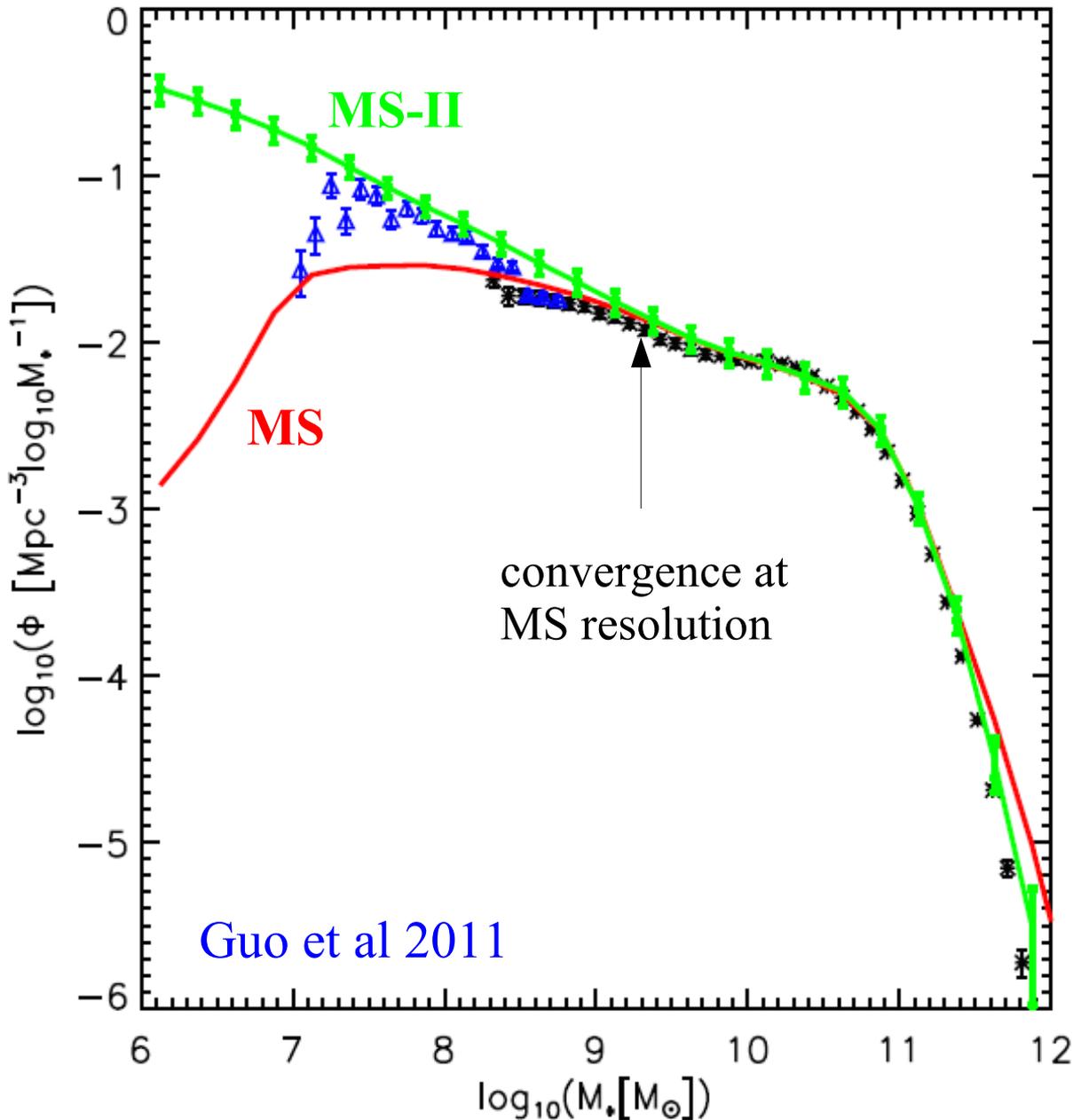
Boylan-Kolchin et al  
2009

# Next generation galaxy formation models based on the MS and the MS-II jointly

Qi Guo et al 2011

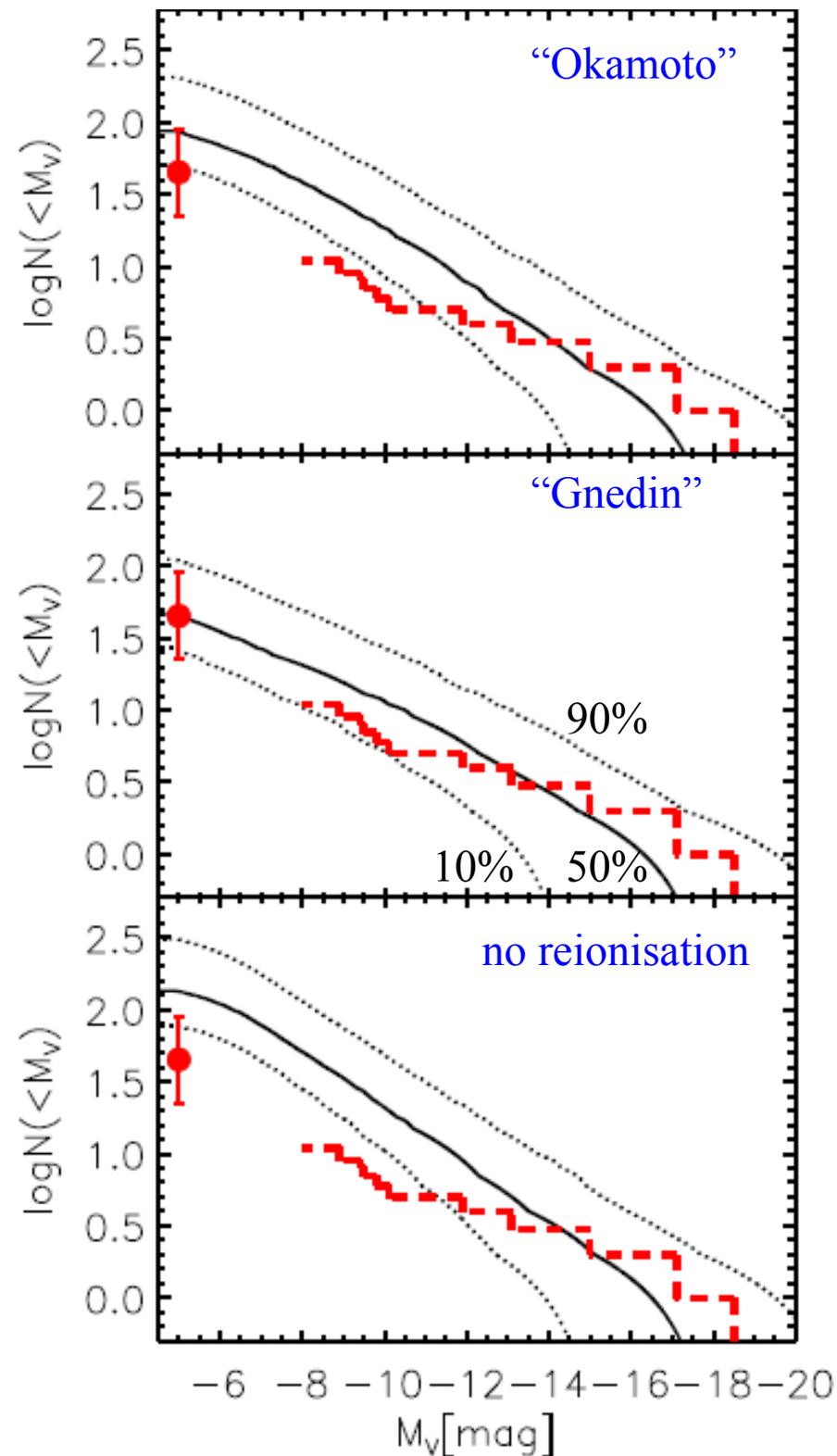
- Implement modelling simultaneously on MS and MS-II
- Test convergence of galaxy properties near resolution limit of MS
- Extend to properties of dwarf galaxies
- Improve/extend treatments of “troublesome” astrophysics
- Adjust parameters to fit new, more precise data
- Test against clustering and redshift evolution

# The stellar mass function of galaxies



Note that the simulated mass function fits the data over 5 dex in stellar mass!

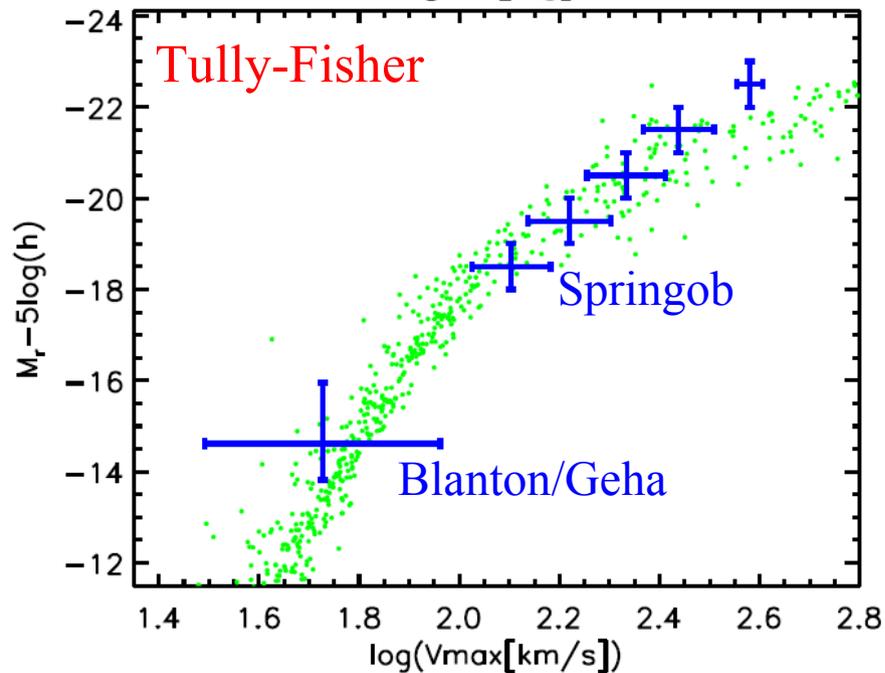
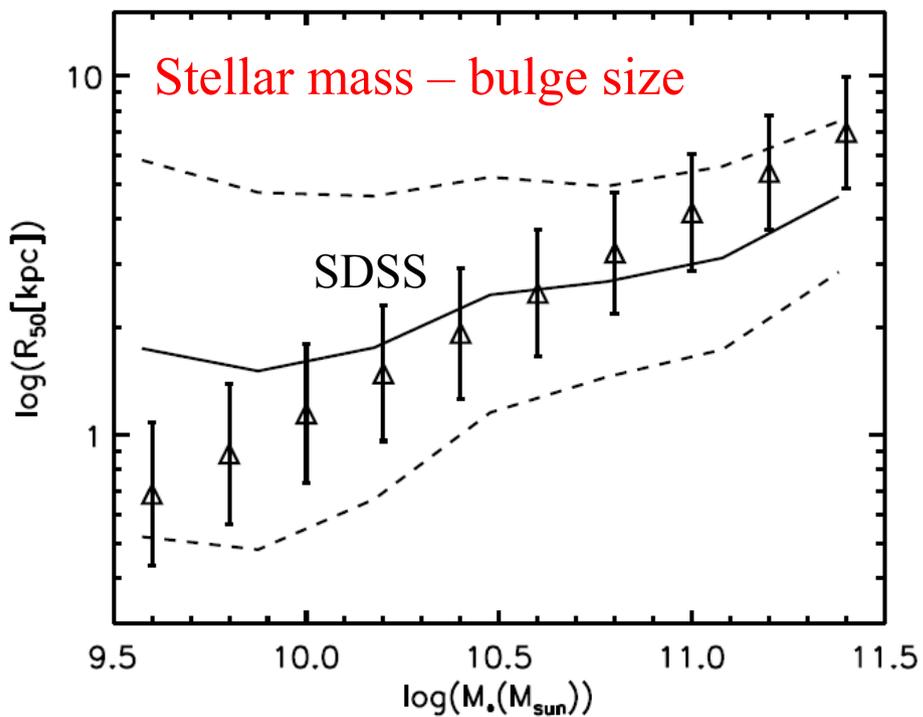
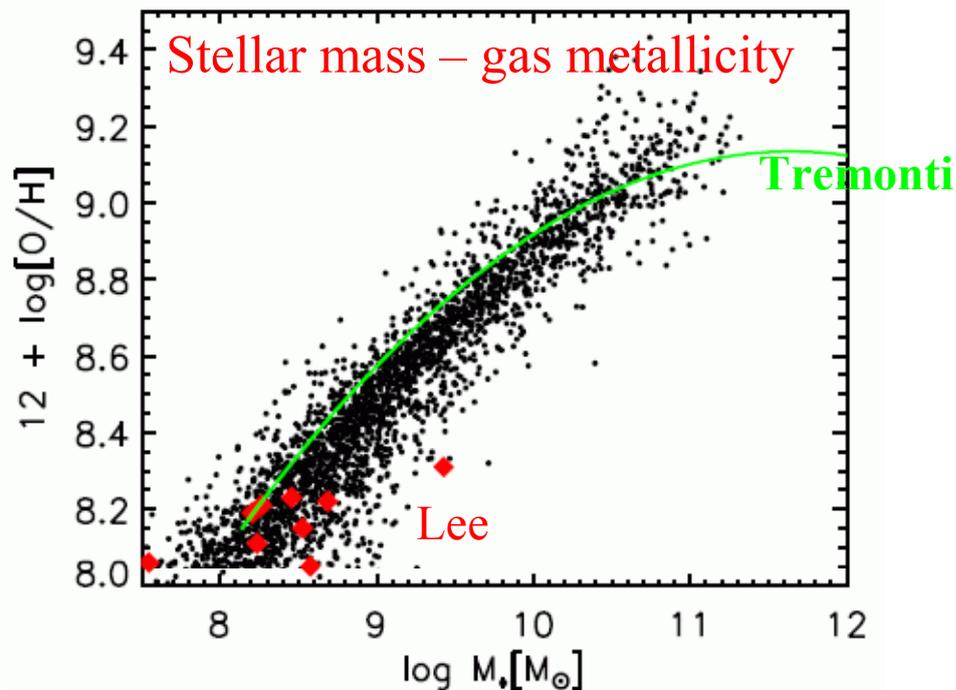
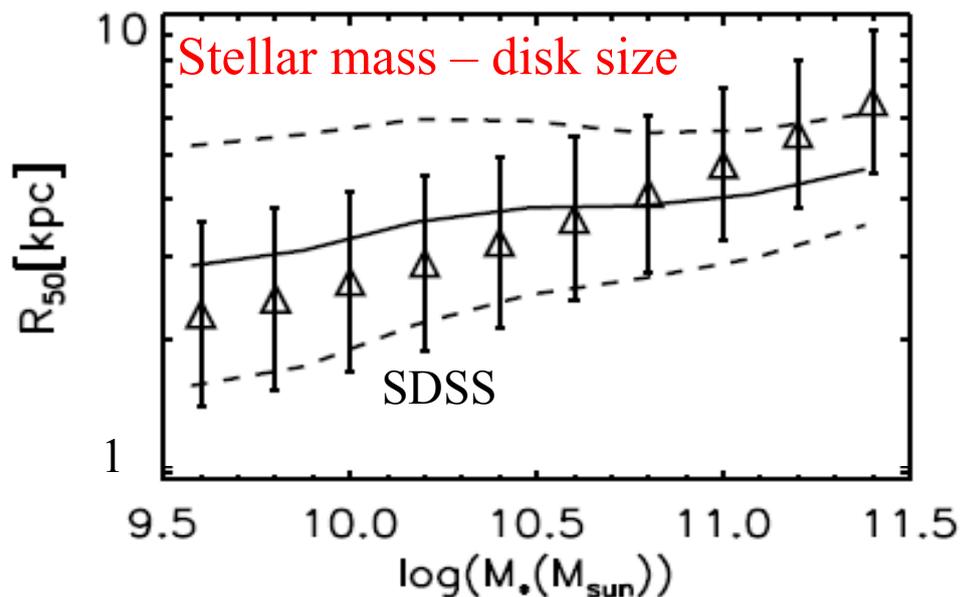
# Luminosity function of Milky Way satellites



Luminosity functions of satellites around 1500 "Milky Ways" i.e. isolated disk galaxies with  $\log M_* = 10.8$

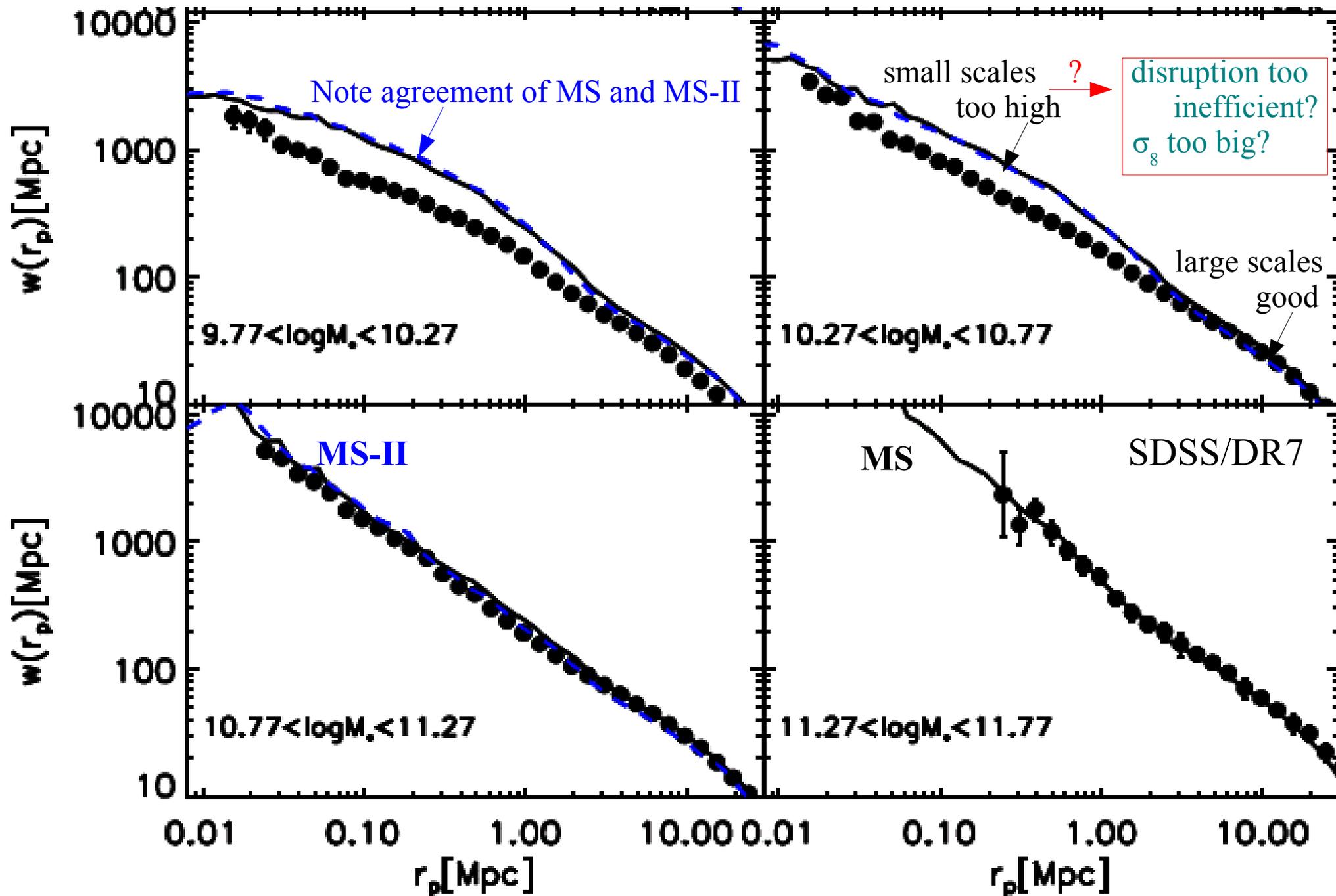
# Scaling relations

Guo et al 2011



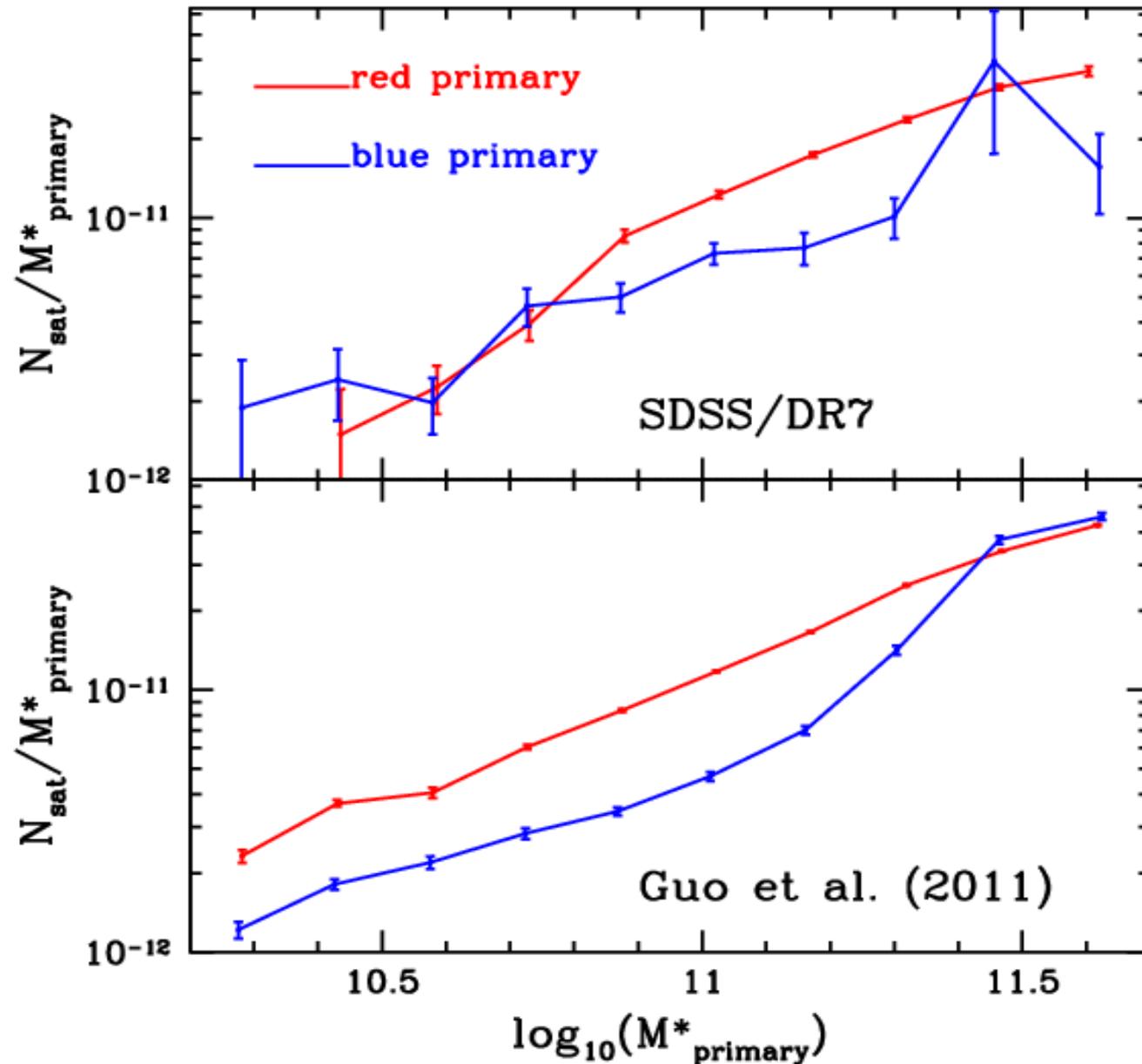
# Mass-dependent galaxy clustering

Guo et al 2011



# Satellite abundances around isolated bright galaxies

Wang & White 2011



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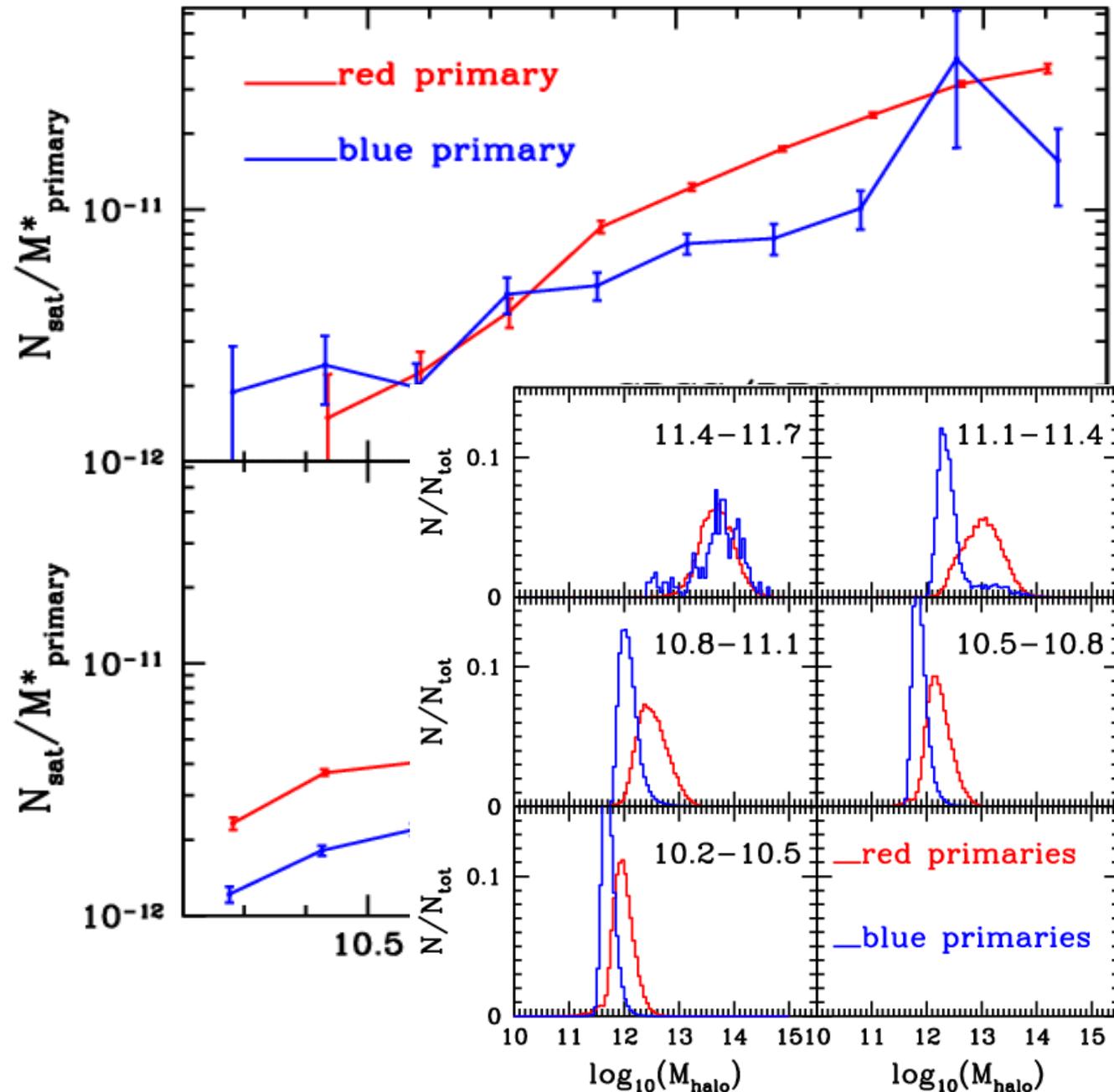
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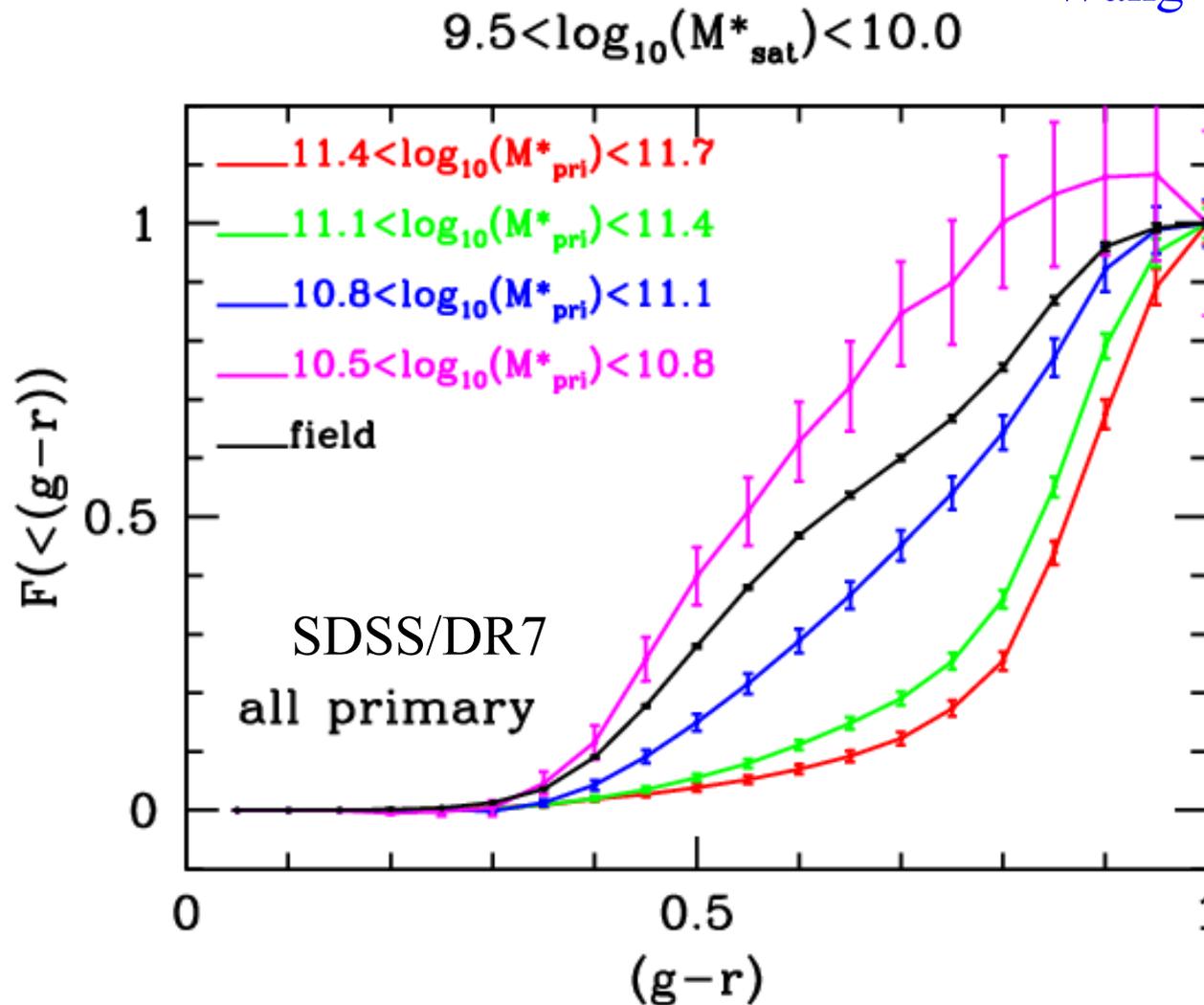
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red/blue offset due to  
*halo* mass differences  
*cf* Mandelbaum et al 2006

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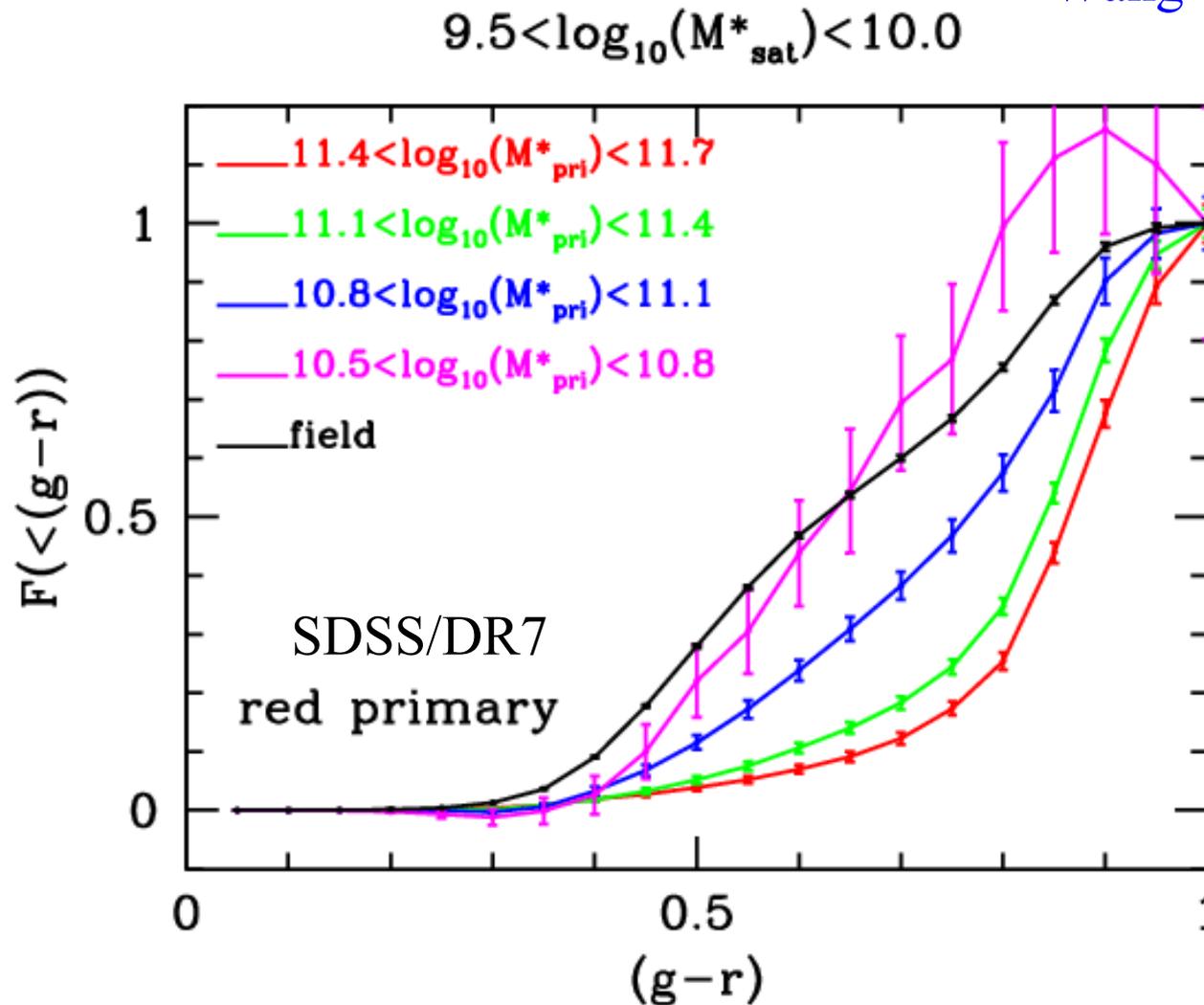
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Satellites of big galaxies are **redder** than field galaxies of the same mass  
More massive central galaxies have **redder** satellites

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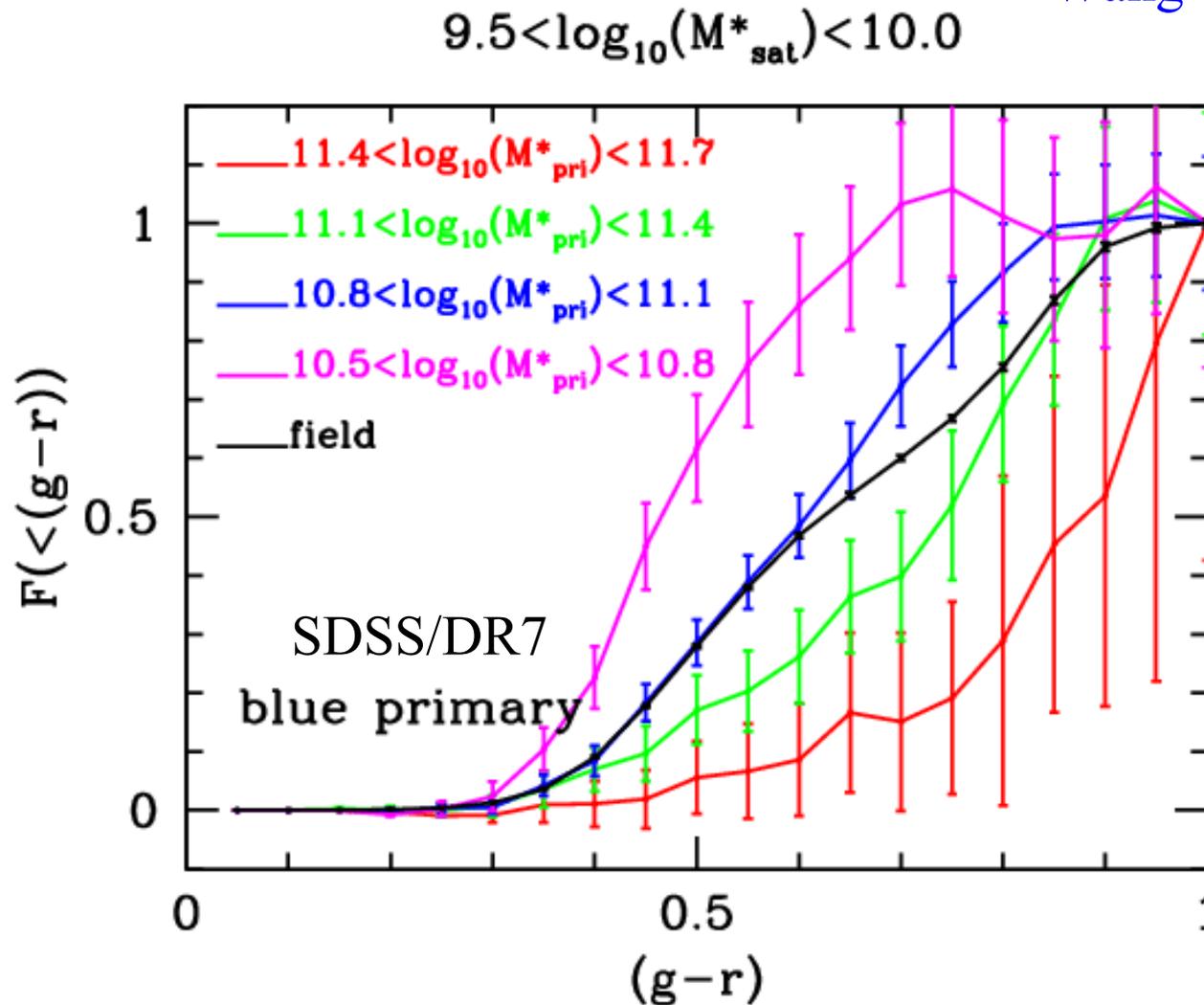


**Red** central galaxies have **redder** satellites

“Galactic conformity” Weinmann et al (2006)

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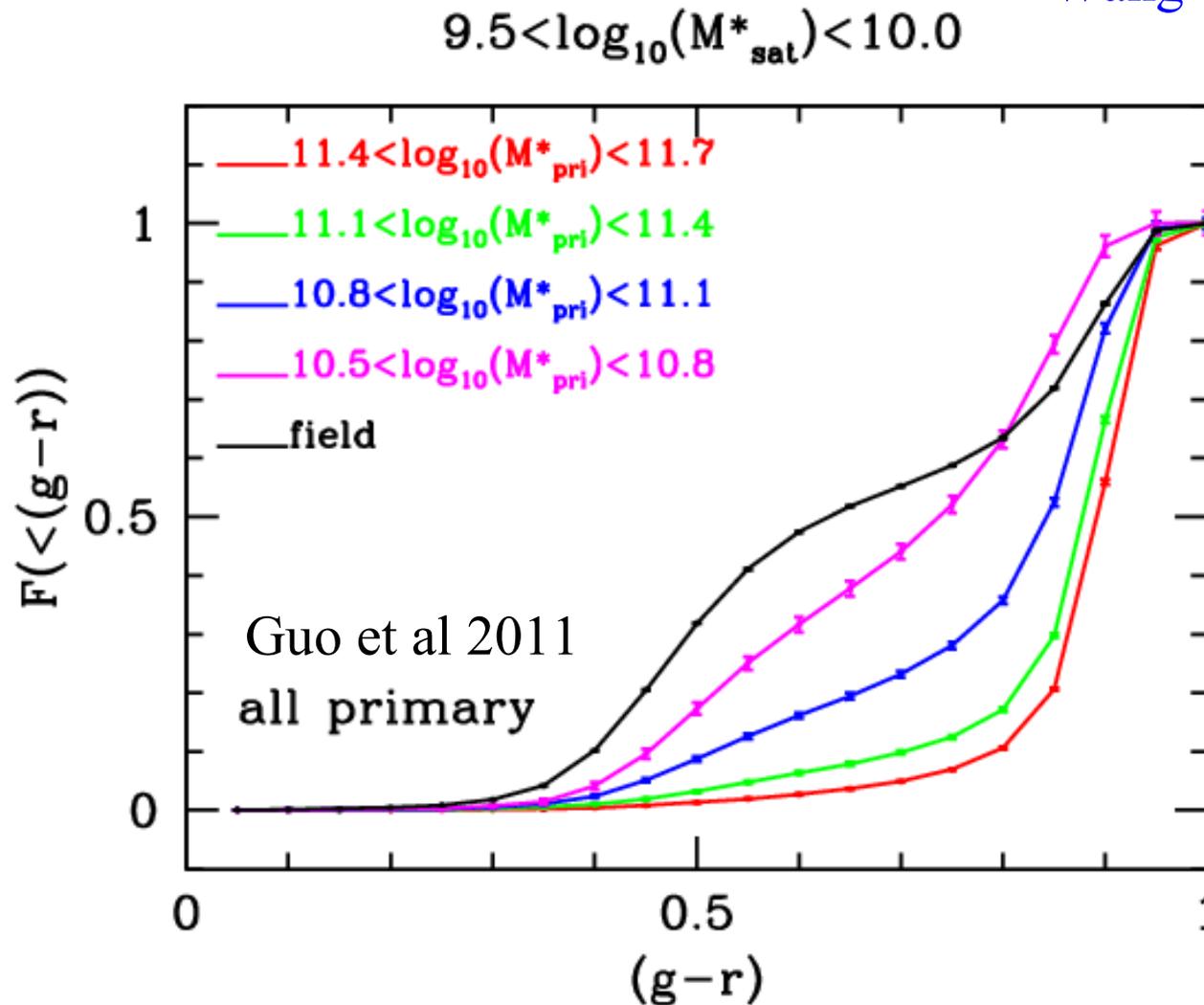


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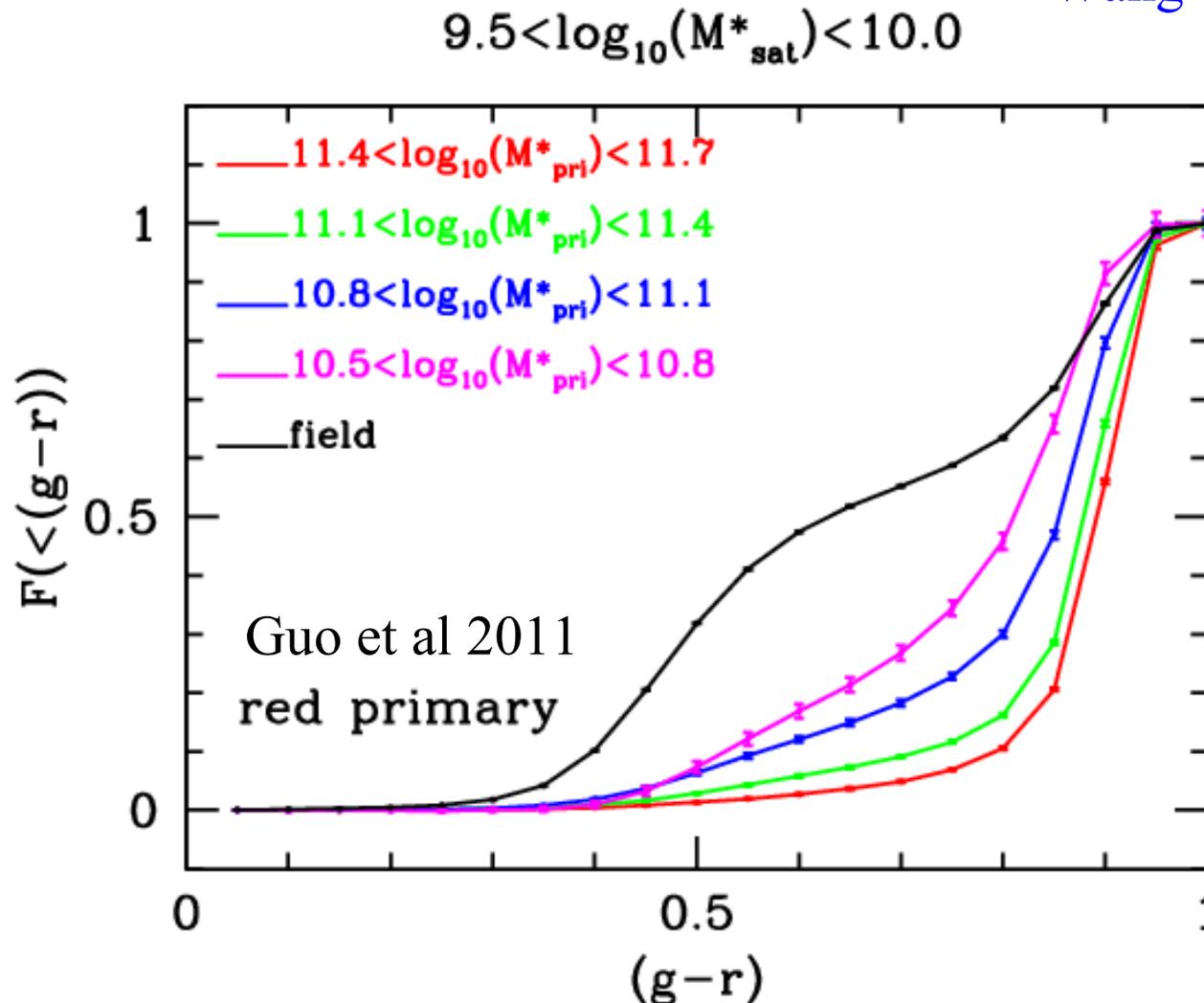
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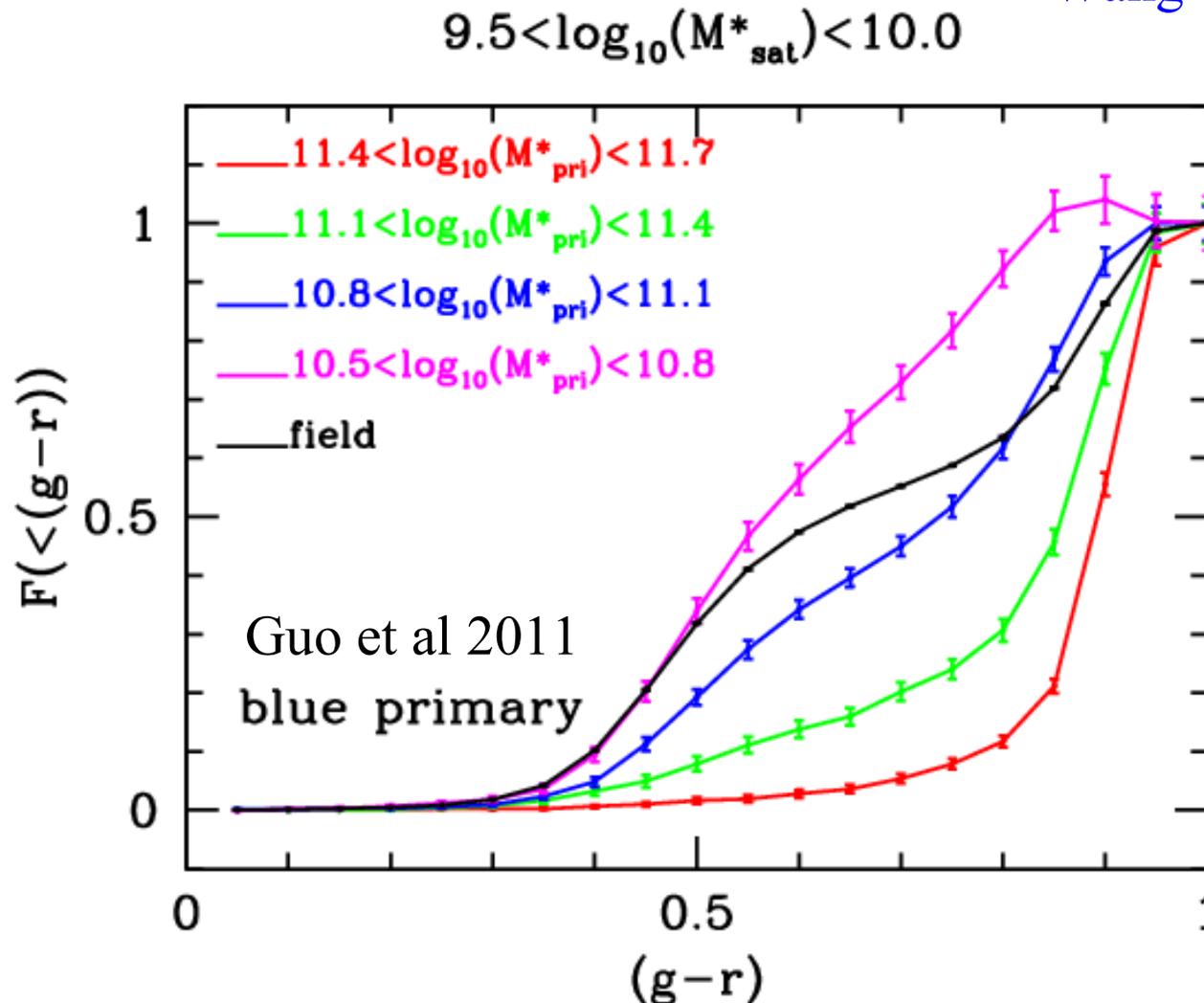
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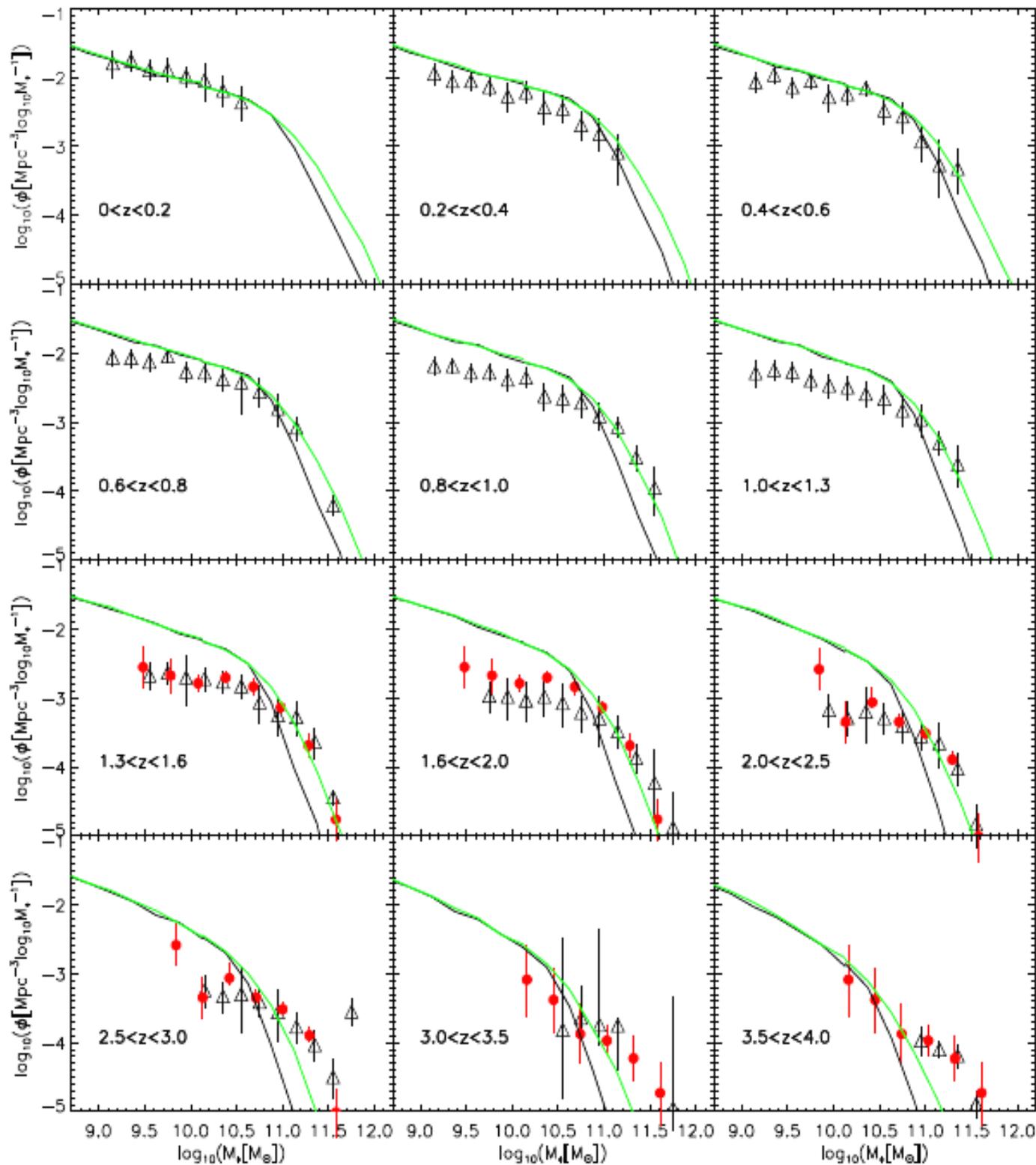
# Evolution of stellar mass function

$\triangle$  Perez-Gonzalez et al 2008

$\bullet$  Marchesini et al 2009

Lower mass galaxies  
 $\log M_* < 10.5$   
form too early

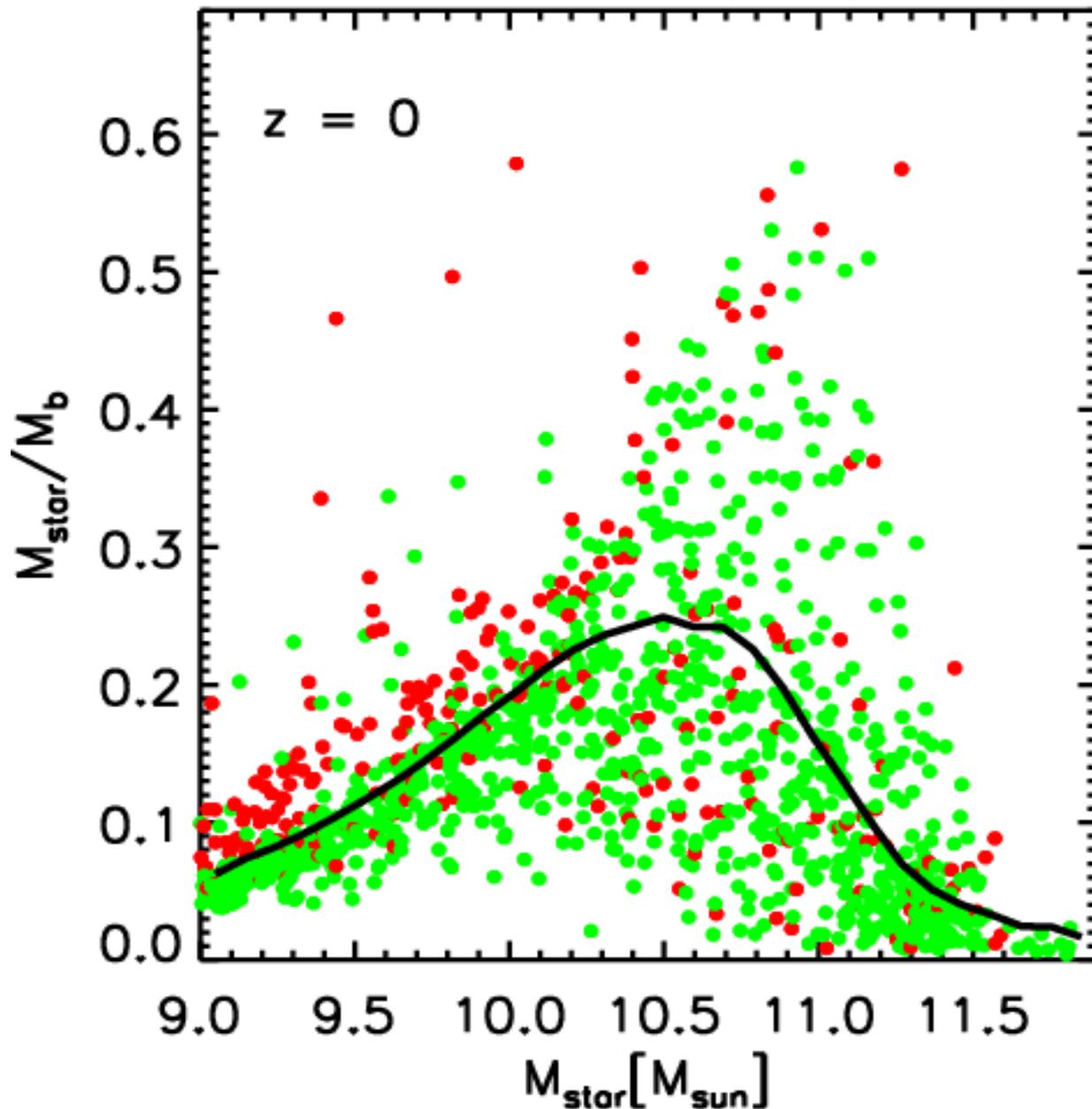
Efficiency of star-formation is too high  
in lower mass objects  
at high  $z$ ?



Guo et al 2011

# Star formation efficiency vs stellar mass

Guo et al 2011



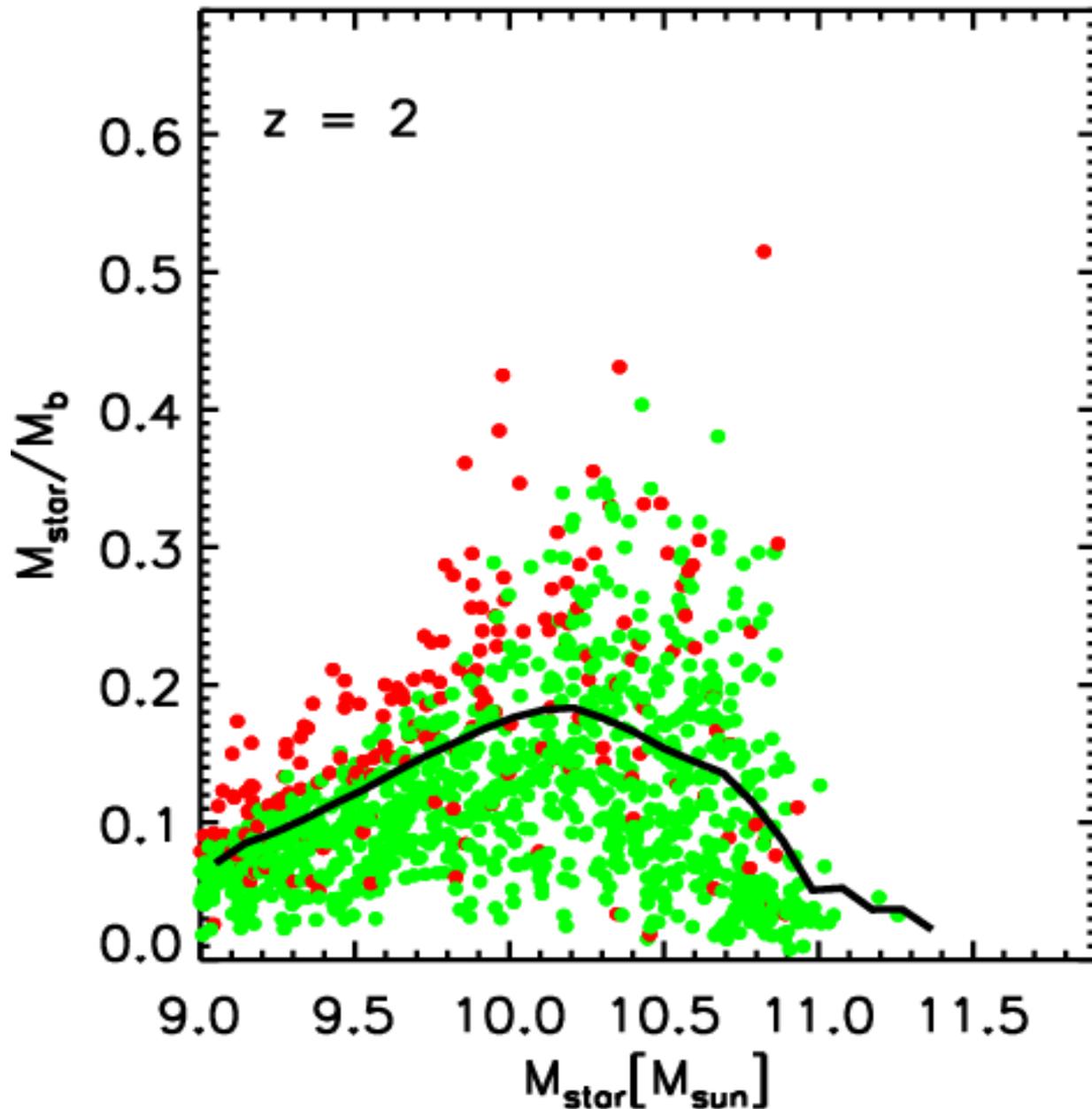
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# The MXXL

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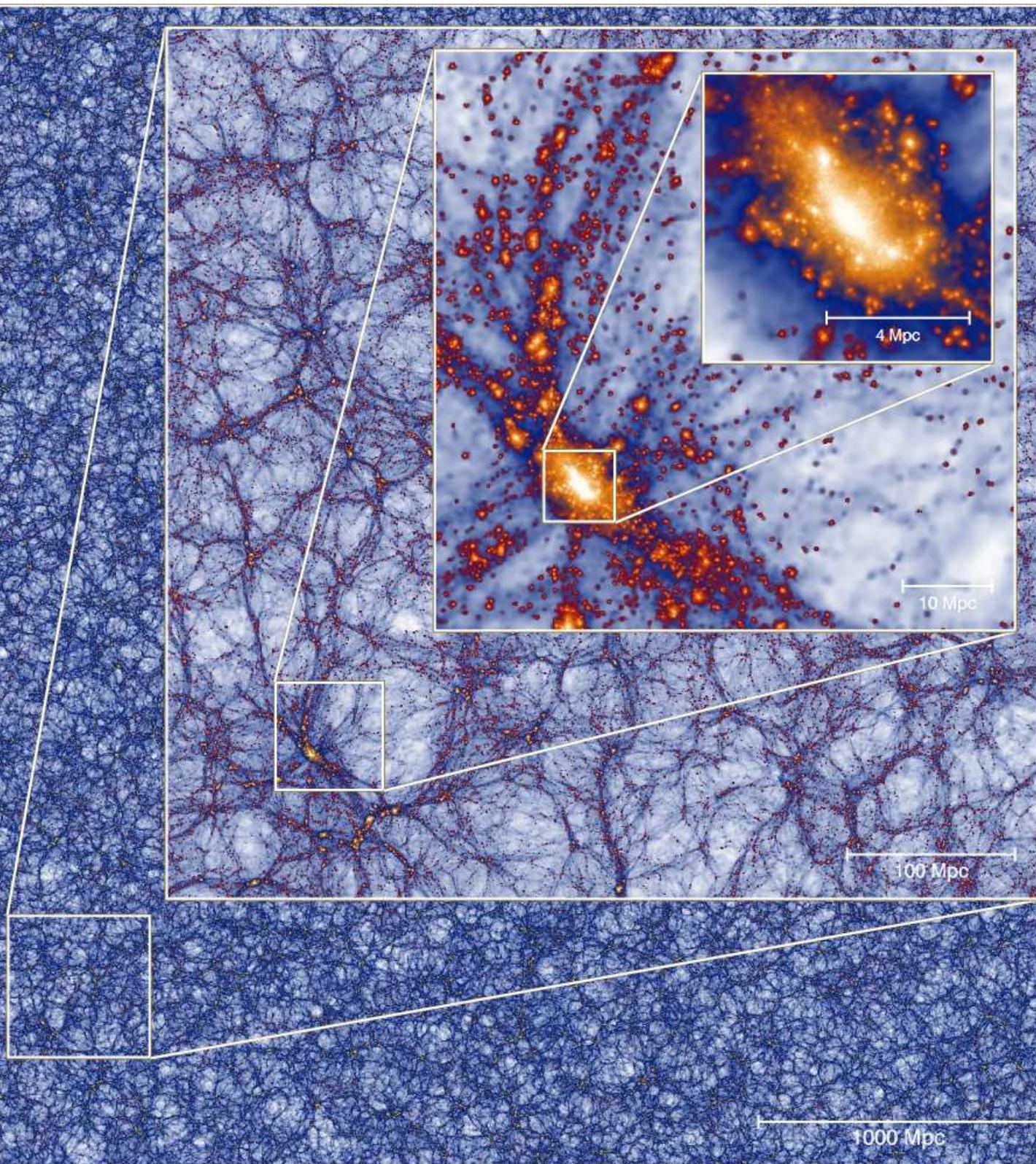
Angulo et al 2011

Bigger than the  
Millennium Run  
by factors of

30 in  $N_{\text{particle}}$

200 in Volume

6 in  $m_{\text{particle}}$



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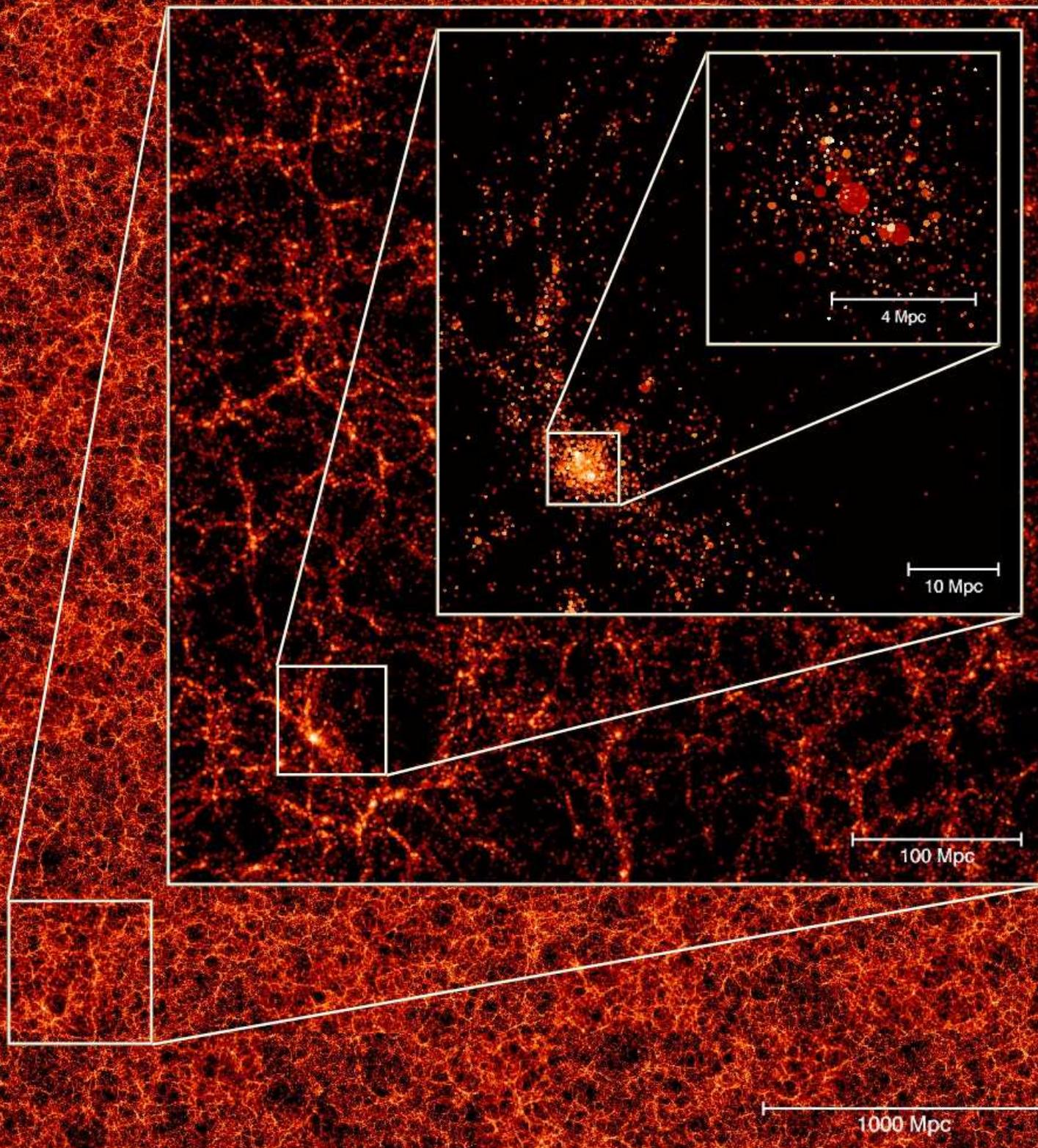
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at  $z = 0$  with  
 $\log M_*/M_{\odot} > 10$



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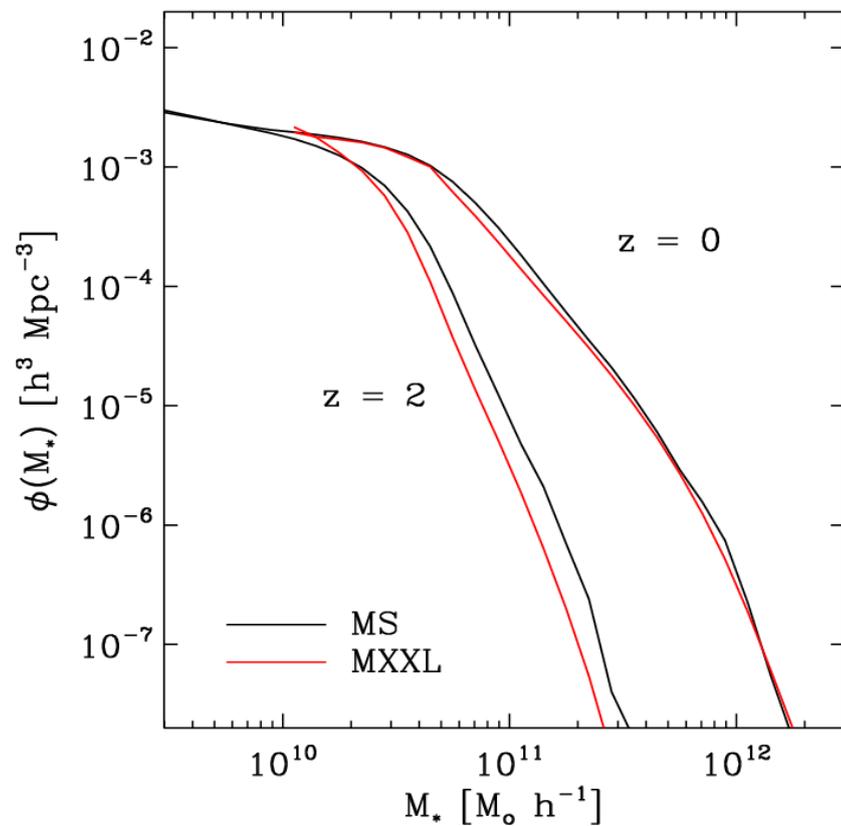
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4 Mpc

10 Mpc

100 Mpc

1000 Mpc

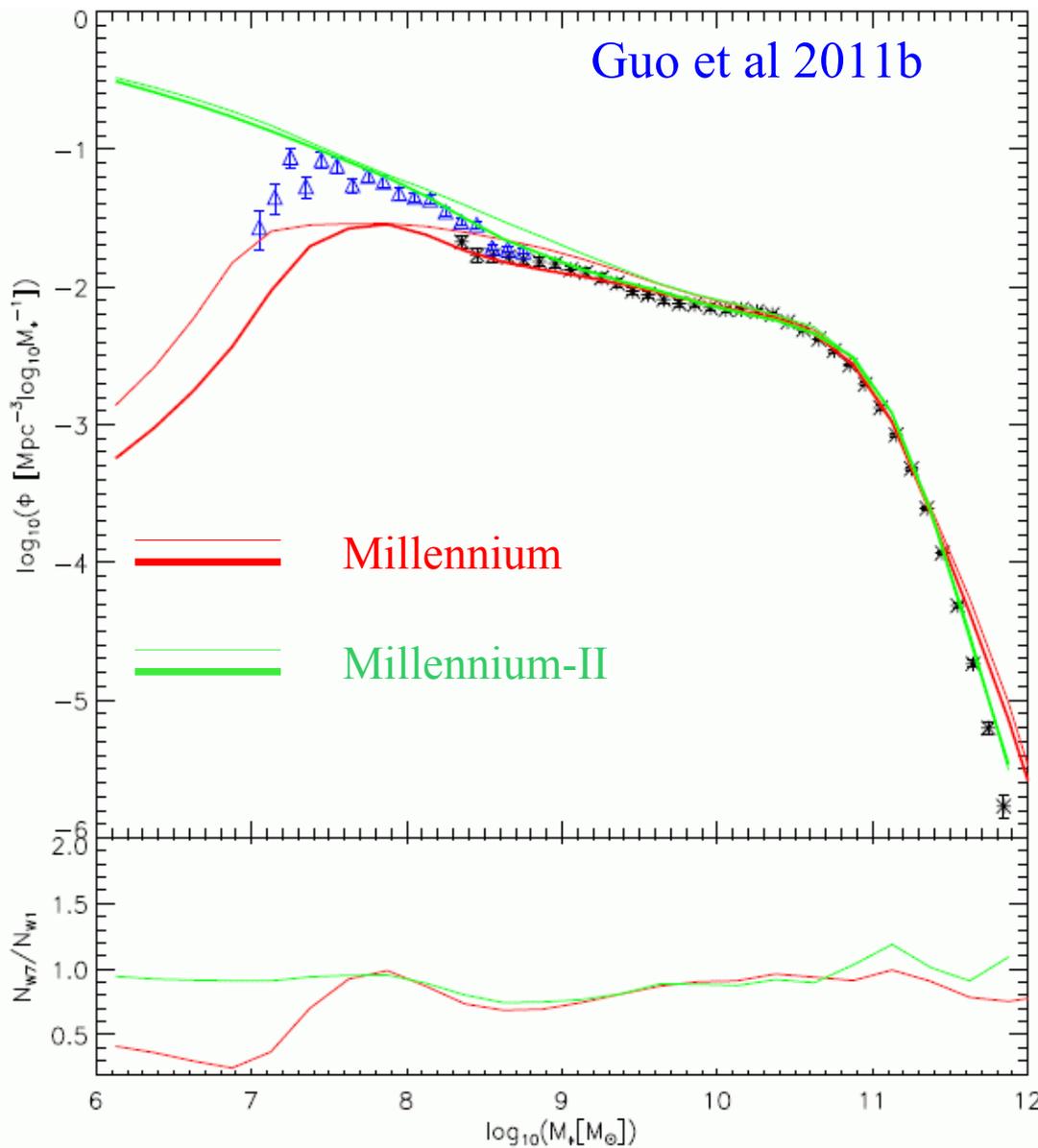
# Scaling Simulations to neighboring cosmologies

Angulo & White 2010

For example: 'WMAP1' –  $\Omega_m = 0.25$ ,  $\Omega_b = 0.045$ ,  $\sigma_8 = 0.9$   
to 'WMAP3' –  $\Omega_m = 0.238$ ,  $\Omega_b = 0.0418$ ,  $\sigma_8 = 0.76$

- 1) Scale simulation size to match power spectrum slopes of original and target cosmologies on the scales of the target  $z=0$  halos  
-- 500 Mpc/h 433 Mpc/h
- 2) Reassign redshifts to match linear amplitudes on these scales  
--  $z = 0.57, 1.68, 2.92$   $z = 0, 1, 2$
- 3) Scale particle masses and velocities to match  $\Omega_m$  and new size  
--  $9 \times 10^8 M_\odot/h$   $5.6 \times 10^8 M_\odot/h$
- 4) Adjust for the difference between amplitudes of original and target power spectra on large scales using linear theory.

# Switching from WMAP1 to WMAP7

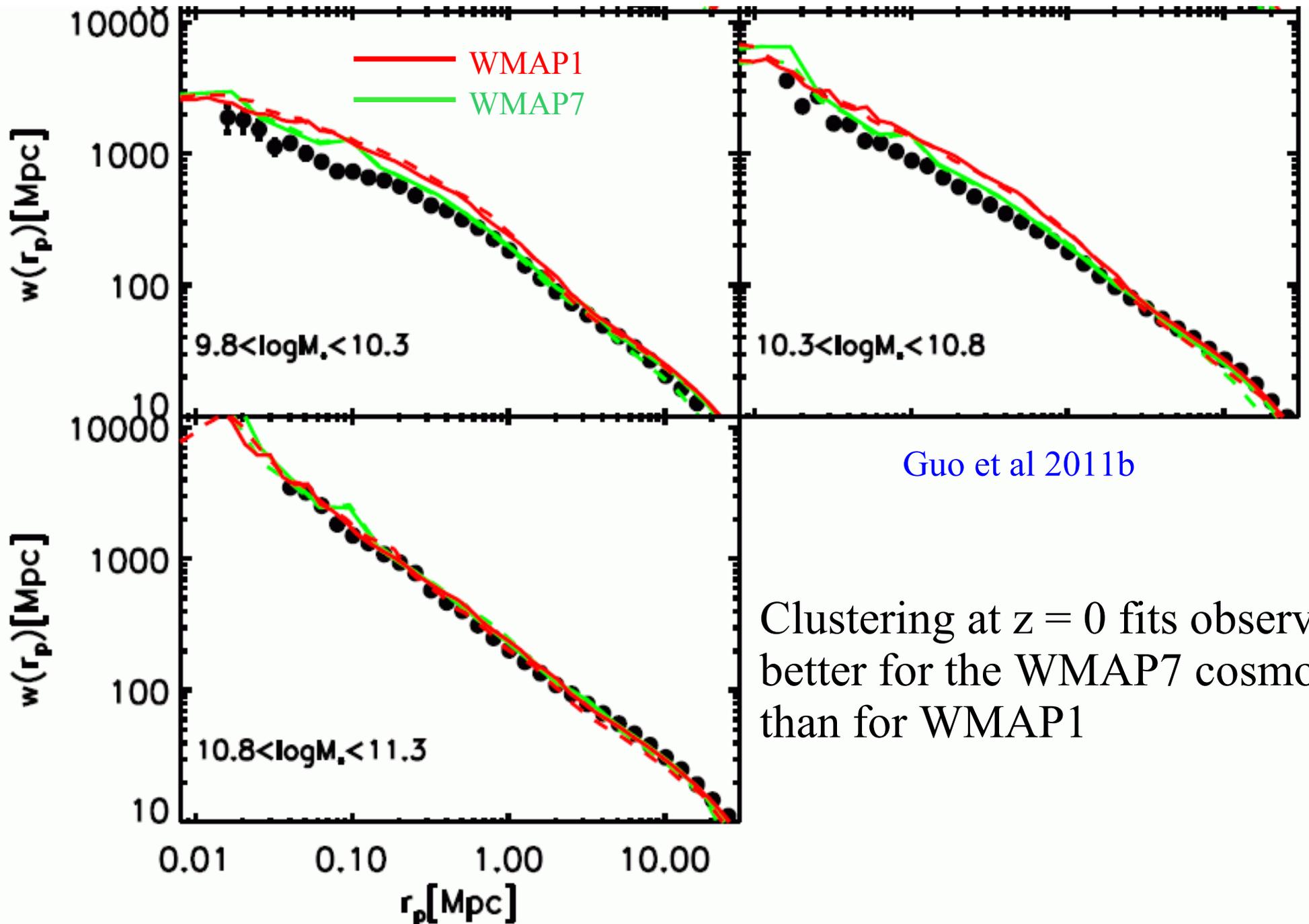


Small shifts in the parameters of the galaxy formation model allow the galactic stellar mass function to be fit equally well in the two different cosmologies despite

$$\sigma_8 = 0.90 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sigma_8 = 0.81$$

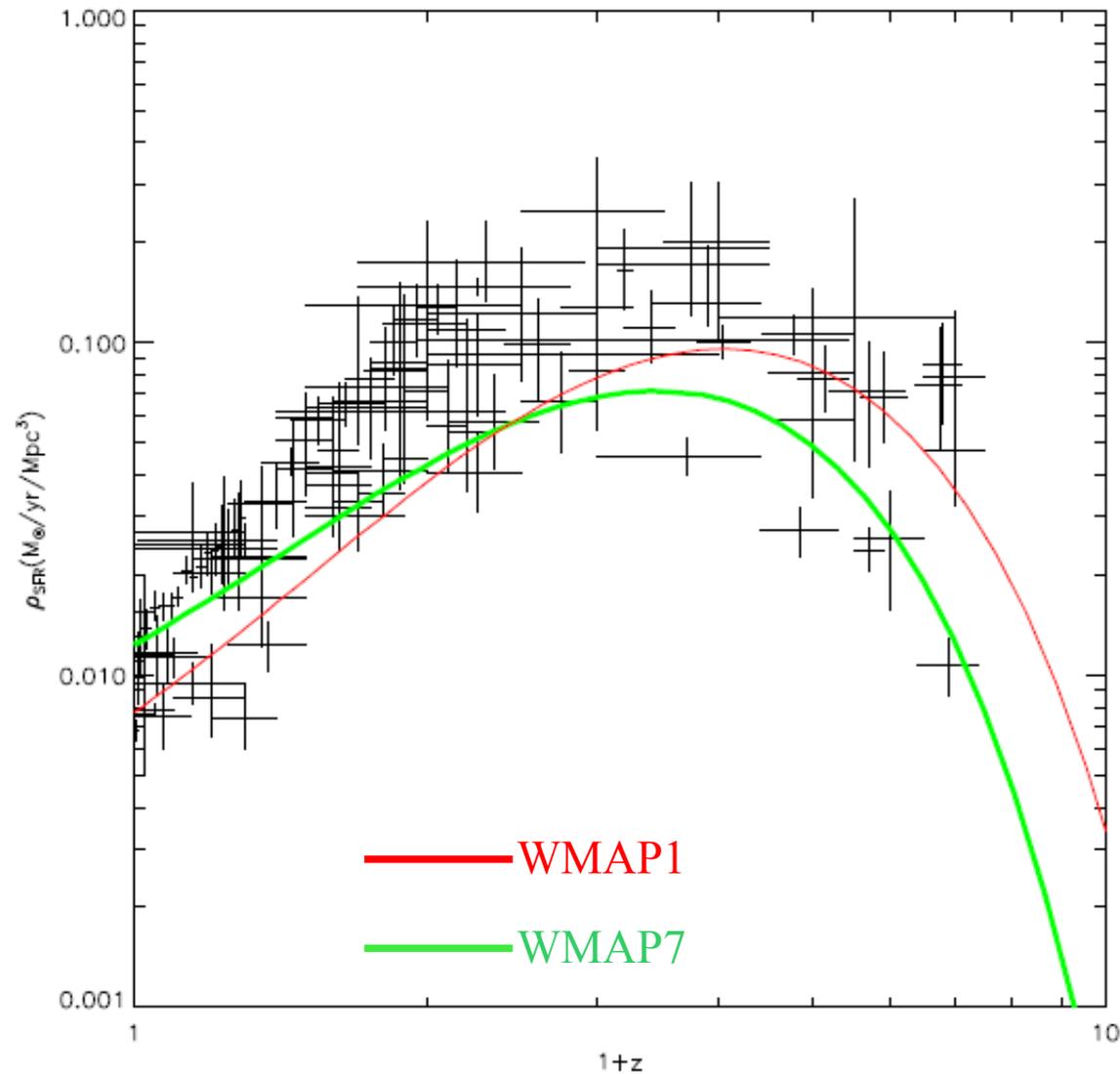
Parameter	Description	WMAP1	WMAP7
$\alpha$	Star formation efficiency	0.02	0.015
$\epsilon$	Amplitude of SN reheating efficiency	6.5	4.5
$\beta_1$	Slope of SN reheating efficiency	3.5	4
$V_{reheat}$	normalization of SN reheating efficiency dependence on Vmax	70	80
$\eta$	Amplitude of SN ejection efficiency	0.32	0.33
$\beta_2$	Slope of SN ejection efficiency	3.5	6.5
$V_{eject}$	normalization of SN ejection efficiency dependence on Vmax	70	80
$\kappa$	Hot gas accretion efficiency onto black holes	$1.5 \times 10^{-5}$	$6.0 \times 10^{-6}$

# Switching from WMAP1 to WMAP7



Clustering at  $z = 0$  fits observation better for the WMAP7 cosmology than for WMAP1

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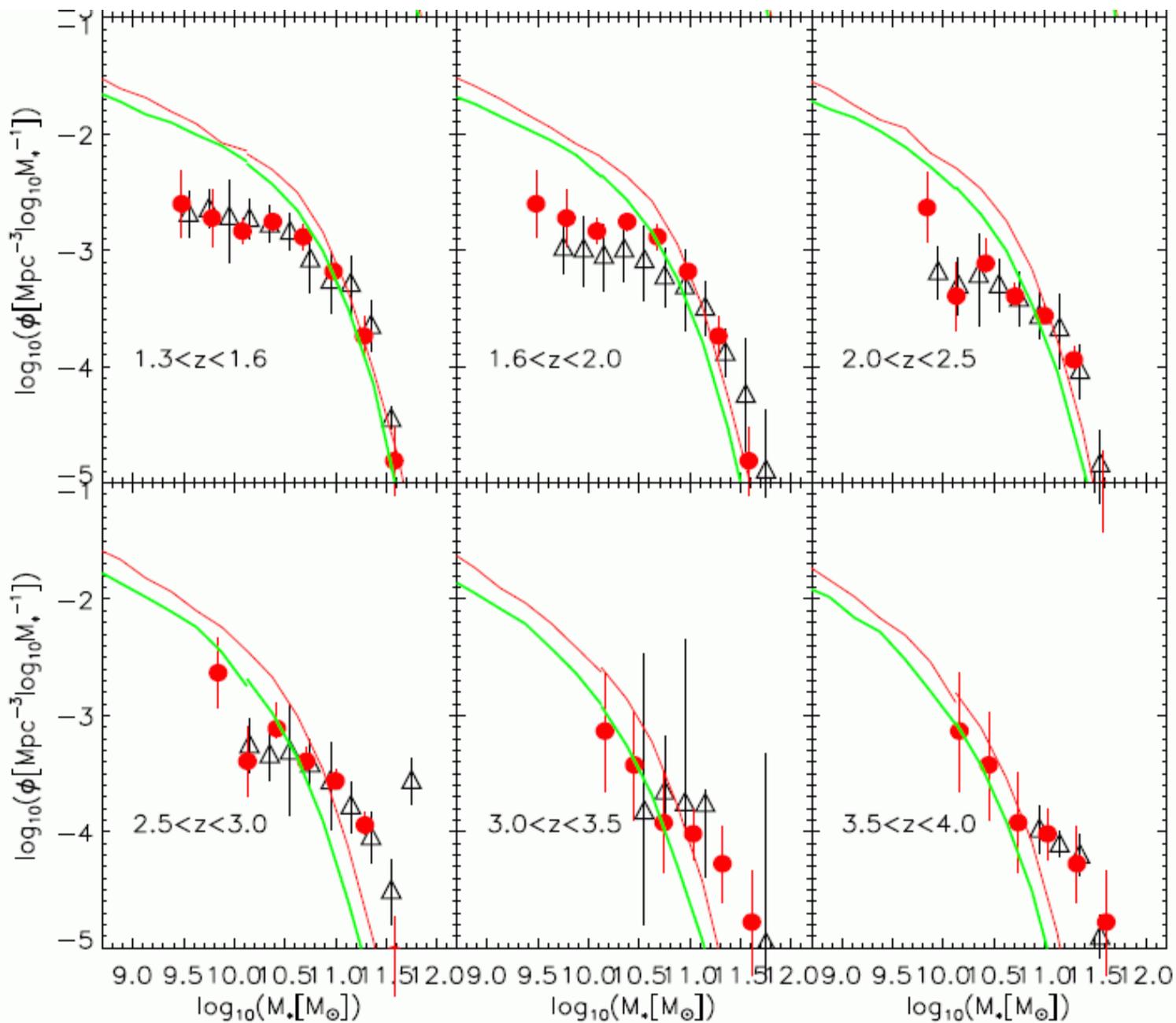
Guo et al 2011b

Galaxies form later in the WMAP7 cosmology than in WMAP 1

# Switching from WMAP1 to WMAP7

Guo et al 2011b

..but the galaxy formation sequence is still incorrect



# The Millennium Run Observatory

Overzier, Lemson et al 2011

- Construct deep light cones to  $z \sim 10$  in arbitrary directions including any desired object (e.g. a cluster) at any desired redshift for a choice of cosmologies (e.g. WMAP1, WMAP7...)
- Project each galaxy onto the sky using size, mass, stellar population and orientation (**J**) as input to standard profiles for disk and bulge
- Choose a population synthesis codes to simulate photometry
- Create observer frame photometry including IGM absorption
- Use a telescope simulator to create realistic images (e.g. pixel scale, PSF, counting noise, etc.)
- Open-access database implementation in preparation (late 2011?)



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Harsono & De Propris  
2007

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HST/ACS

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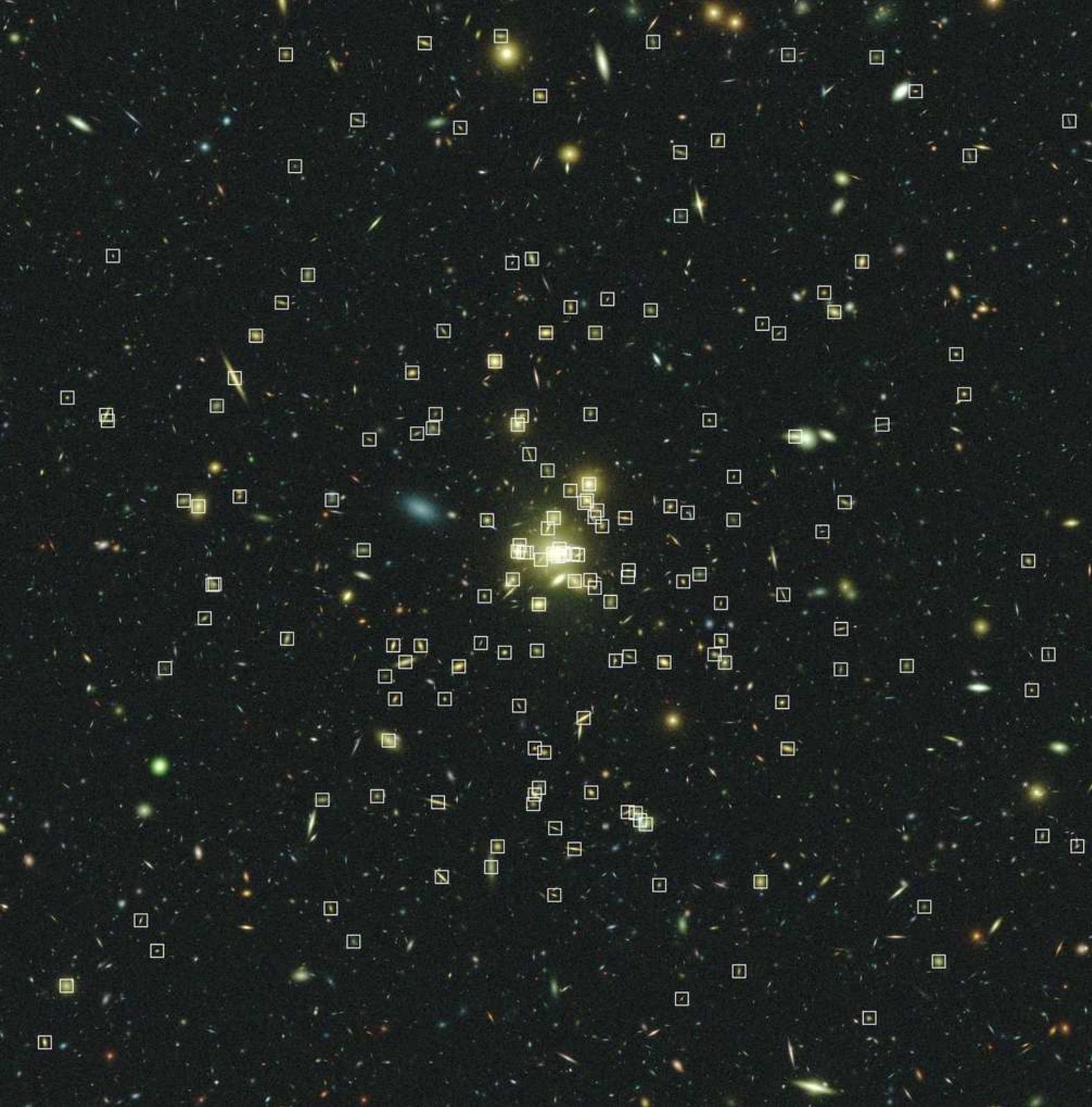
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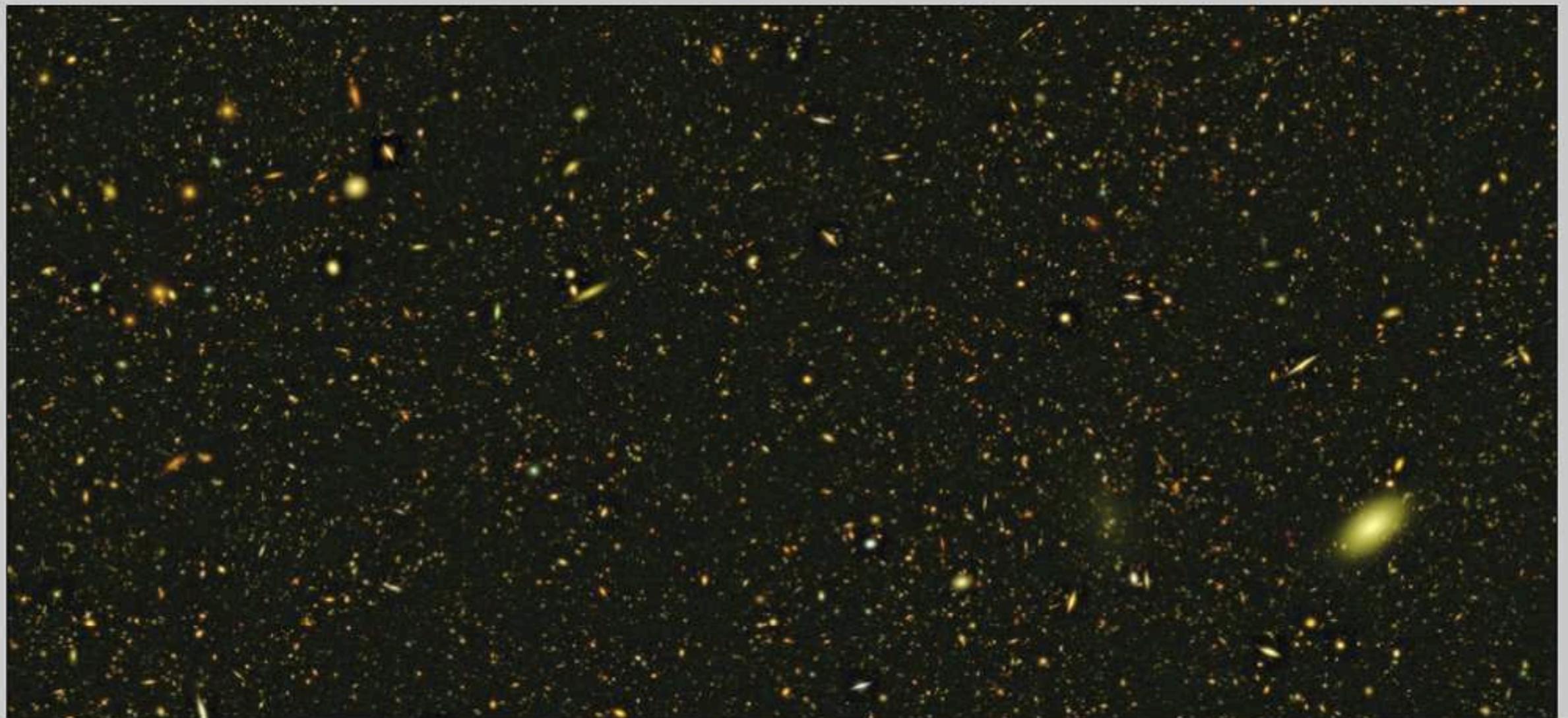
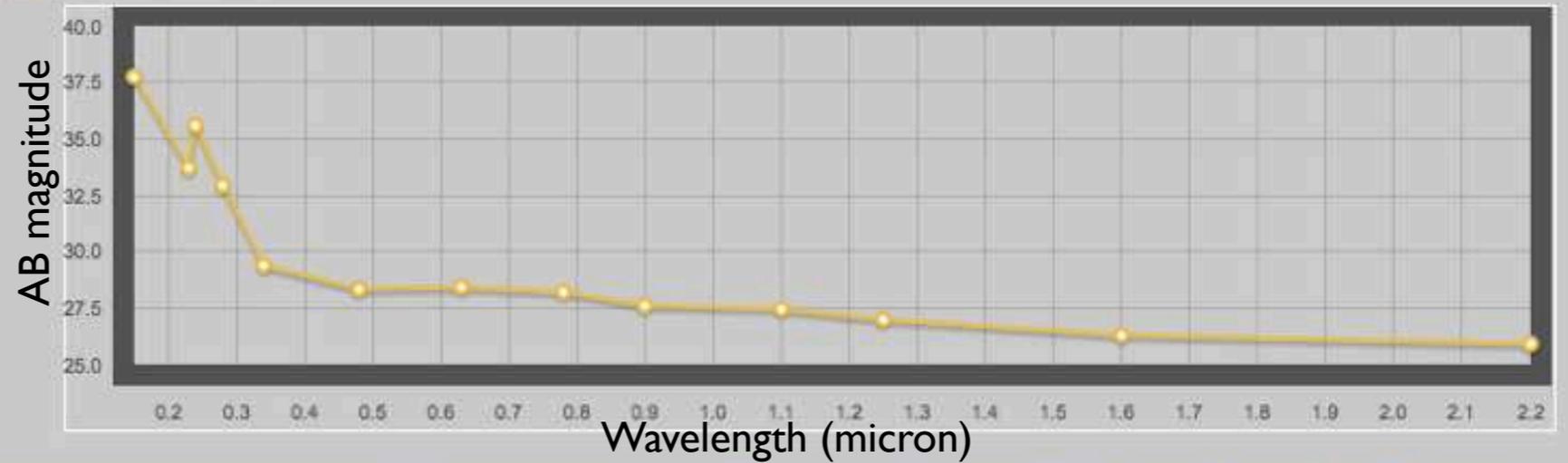
# Concluding remarks

- New techniques enable simulation of the *full galaxy population* within the  $\Lambda$ CDM paradigm for all viable cosmological parameters
- Comparison with observed populations produces *measurements* of the efficiency and mass/redshift/Z dependences of e.g.
  - sequestration of baryons in galaxies
  - driving of winds
  - quiescent vs merger driven growth of galaxies/BH's
  - galaxy disruption
  - enrichment of the ICM/IGM
- Current treatments are
  - too efficient at making stars at early times in lower mass halos
  - too efficient at suppressing star formation after satellite infall
  - too inefficient at disrupting galaxies to make the ICL

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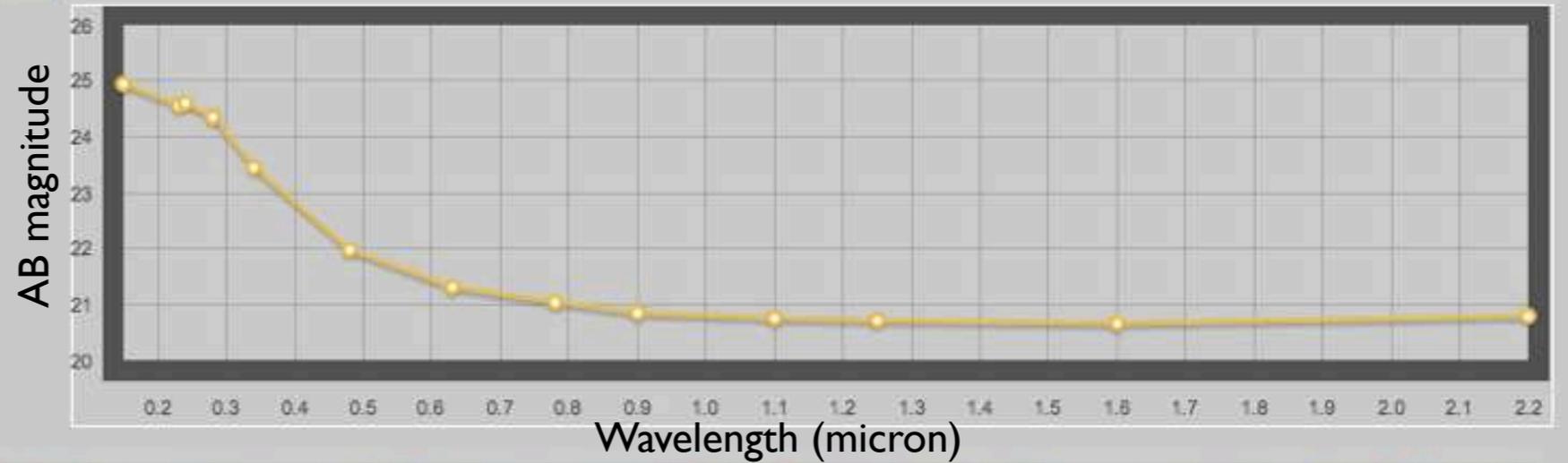
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Galaxy Id	259001486000775
RA, Dec (deg)	(-0.0604, -0.0369)
Redshift ( $z_{app}$ )	2.26515
Inclination   PA	75.4   33.3
B-V (AB mag)	0.422
$r'$ (AB mag)	28.4251
Stellarmass ( $1e10 M_{sun}$ )	0.1756
SFR ( $M_{sun}/yr$ )	1.8922
Age (Gyr)	1.0004



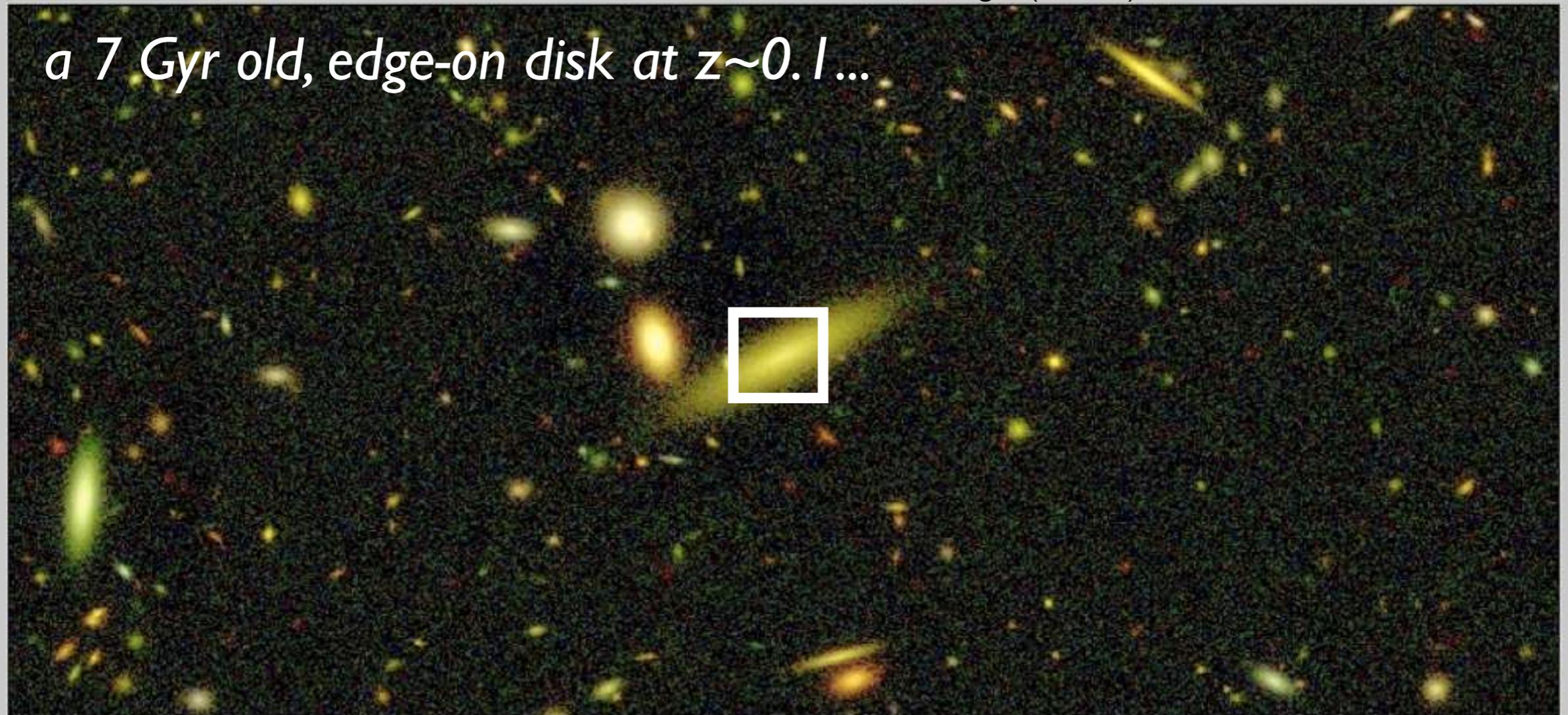
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Galaxy Info	
Galaxy Id	10005360000004
RA, Dec (deg)	(0.0209,-0.0196)
Redshift ( $z_{app}$ )	0.09047
Inclination   PA	76.2   62.6
B-V (AB mag)	0.724
$r'$ (AB mag)	21.3112
Stellarmass ( $1e10 M_{sun}$ )	0.0301
SFR ( $M_{sun}/yr$ )	0.0047
Age (Gyr)	6.6298



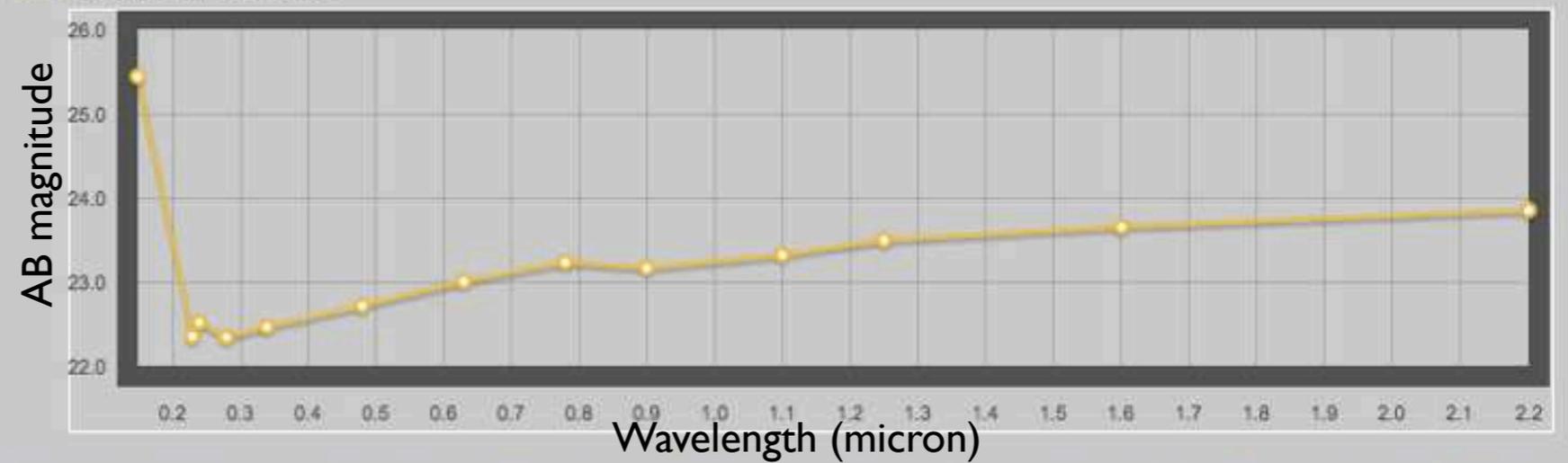
*a 7 Gyr old, edge-on disk at  $z \sim 0.1$  ...*



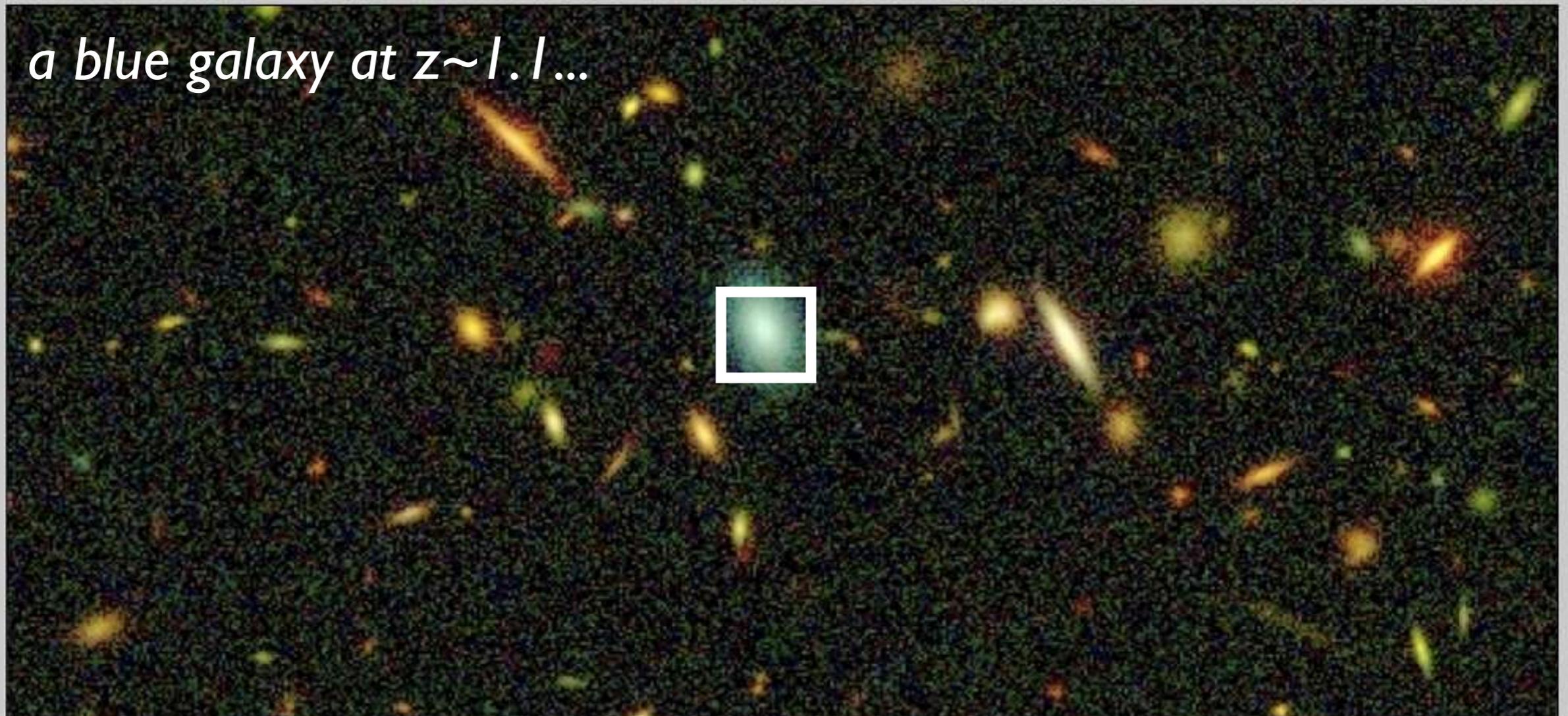
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Galaxy Info	
Galaxy Id	445004987036456
RA, Dec (deg)	(-0.0111,0.0083)
Redshift (z_app)	1.11273
Inclination   PA	51.7   157.6
B-V (AB mag)	-0.212
r' (AB mag)	22.9992
Stellarmass (1e10 Msun)	0.0172
SFR (Msun/yr)	0.7946
Age (Gyr)	0.8156



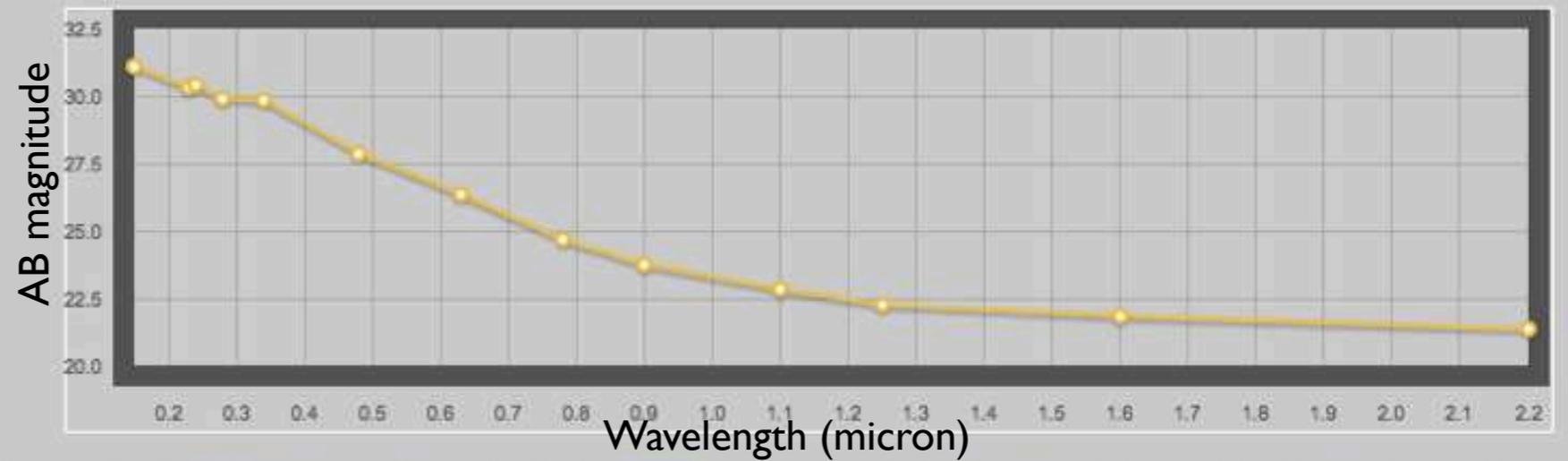
*a blue galaxy at  $z \sim 1.1$ ...*



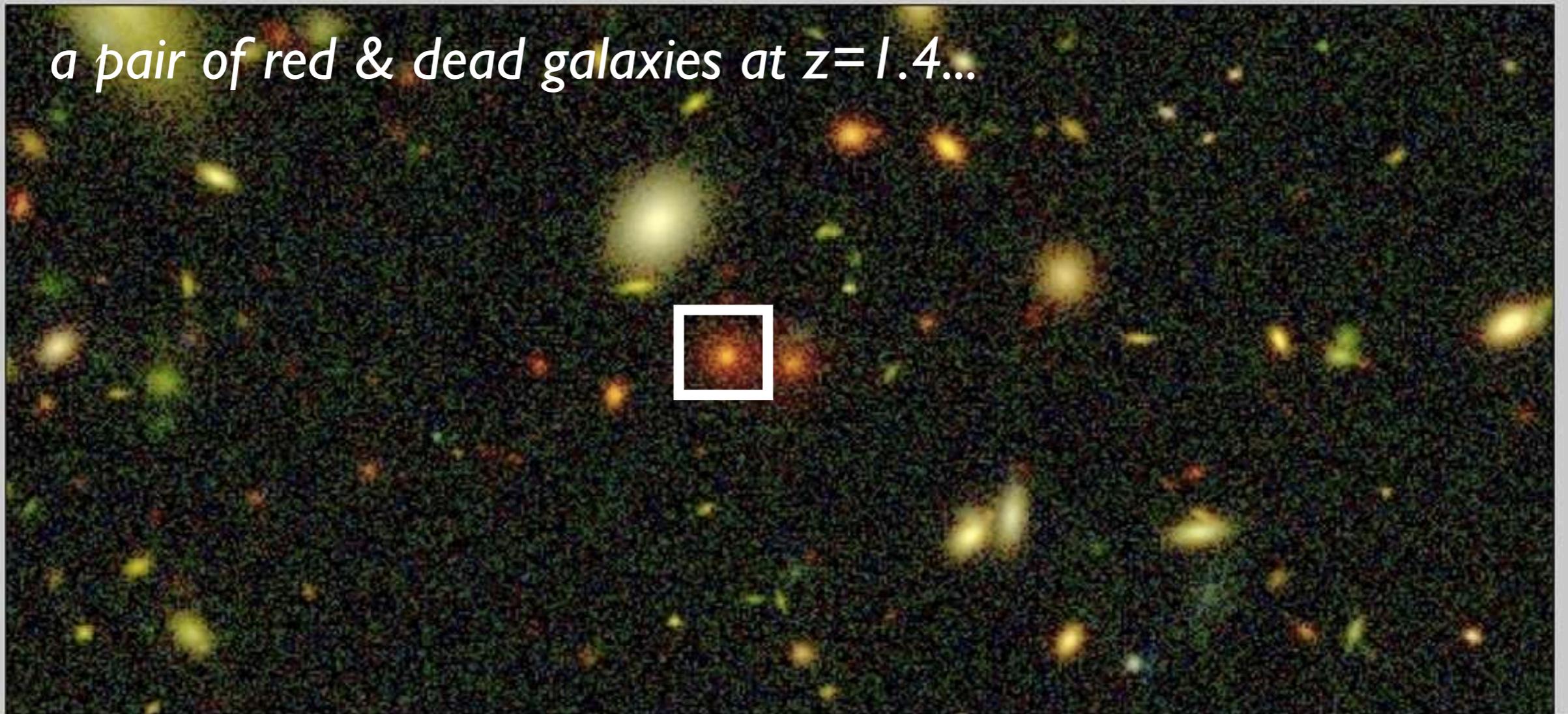
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Galaxy Info	
Galaxy Id	400006308001610
RA, Dec (deg)	(0.0475,-0.0766)
Redshift ( $z_{\text{app}}$ )	1.40767
Inclination   PA	51.8   80.1
B-V (AB mag)	1.550
$r'$ (AB mag)	26.3368
Stellarmass ( $1e10 M_{\text{sun}}$ )	4.5982
SFR ( $M_{\text{sun}}/\text{yr}$ )	0.0000
Age (Gyr)	3.4997



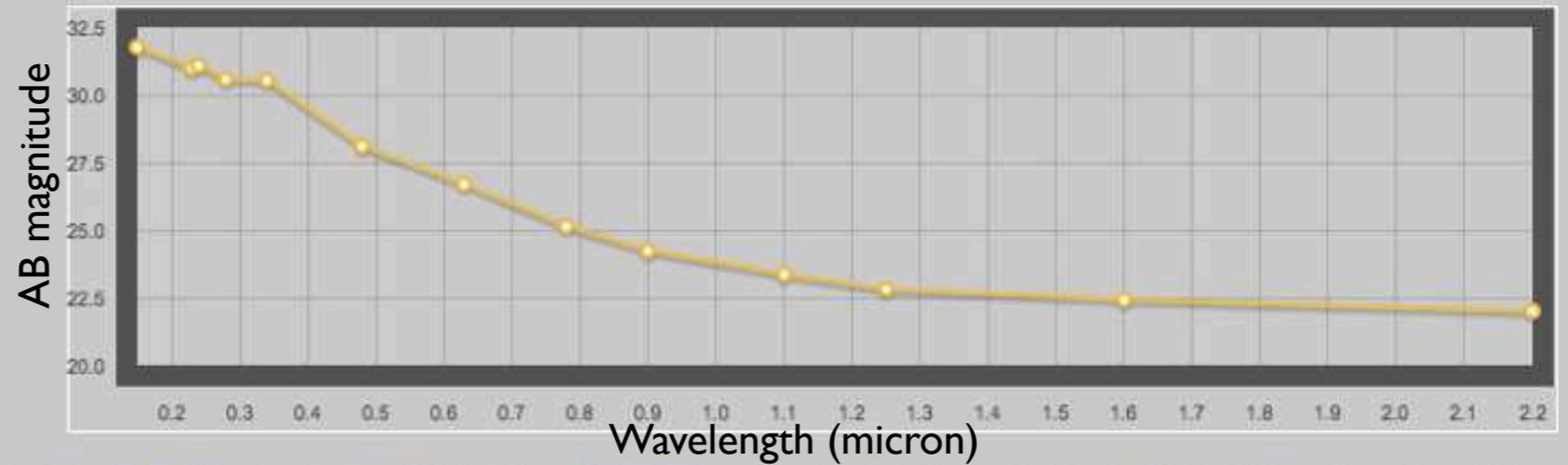
*a pair of red & dead galaxies at  $z=1.4$ ...*



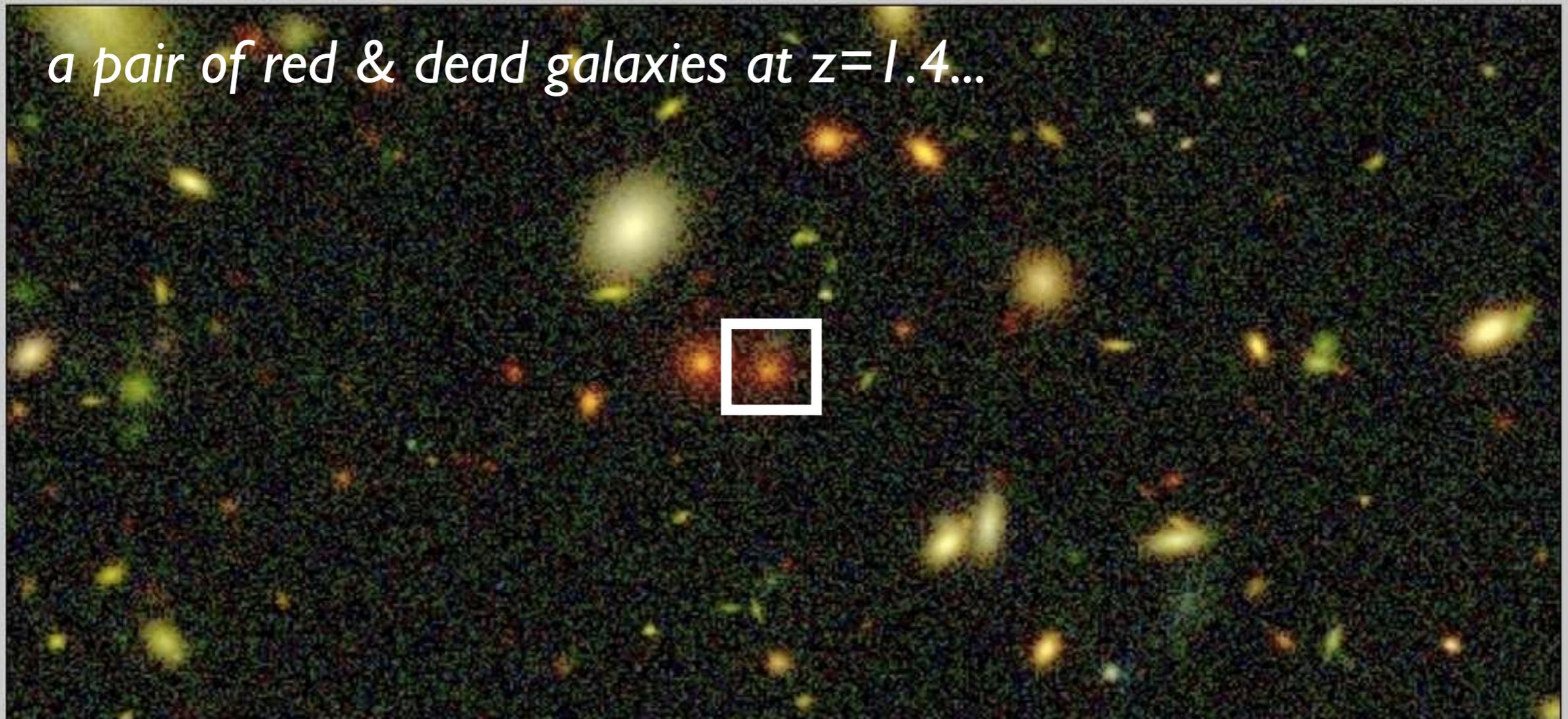
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Galaxy Info	
Galaxy Id	400006308001790
RA, Dec (deg)	(0.0469,-0.0767)
Redshift ( $z_{\text{app}}$ )	1.40824
Inclination   PA	48.6   39.3
B-V (AB mag)	1.494
$r'$ (AB mag)	26.6995
Stellarmass ( $1e10 M_{\text{sun}}$ )	2.0069
SFR ( $M_{\text{sun}}/\text{yr}$ )	0.0000
Age (Gyr)	2.8619



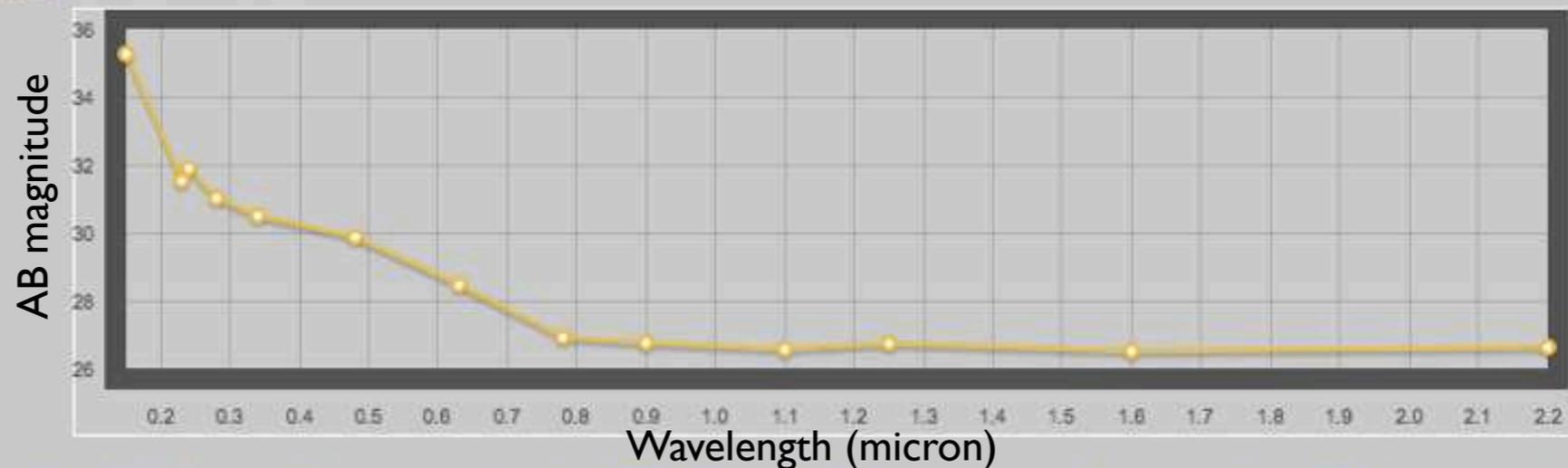
*a pair of red & dead galaxies at  $z=1.4$ ...*



# Millennium Run Observatory - Mock Image Browser

Show: [\(1\) Blue Galaxy](#) [\(2\) Big Galaxy](#) [\(3\) Two Red Nuggets](#) 0:0:10.534 +0:1:34.702

Galaxy Info	
Galaxy Id	186014843016767
RA, Dec (deg)	(0.0420,0.0260)
Redshift ( $z_{app}$ )	5.77513
Inclination   PA	62.0   67.1
B-V (AB mag)	0.400
$r'$ (AB mag)	28.4523
Stellarmass ( $1e10 M_{sun}$ )	0.0270
SFR ( $M_{sun}/yr$ )	5.8982
Age (Gyr)	0.0461



*a dropout galaxy at  $z=5.8$ ...*

