

# Quasar vs. Radio Mode AGN Heating and their Environment Dependence

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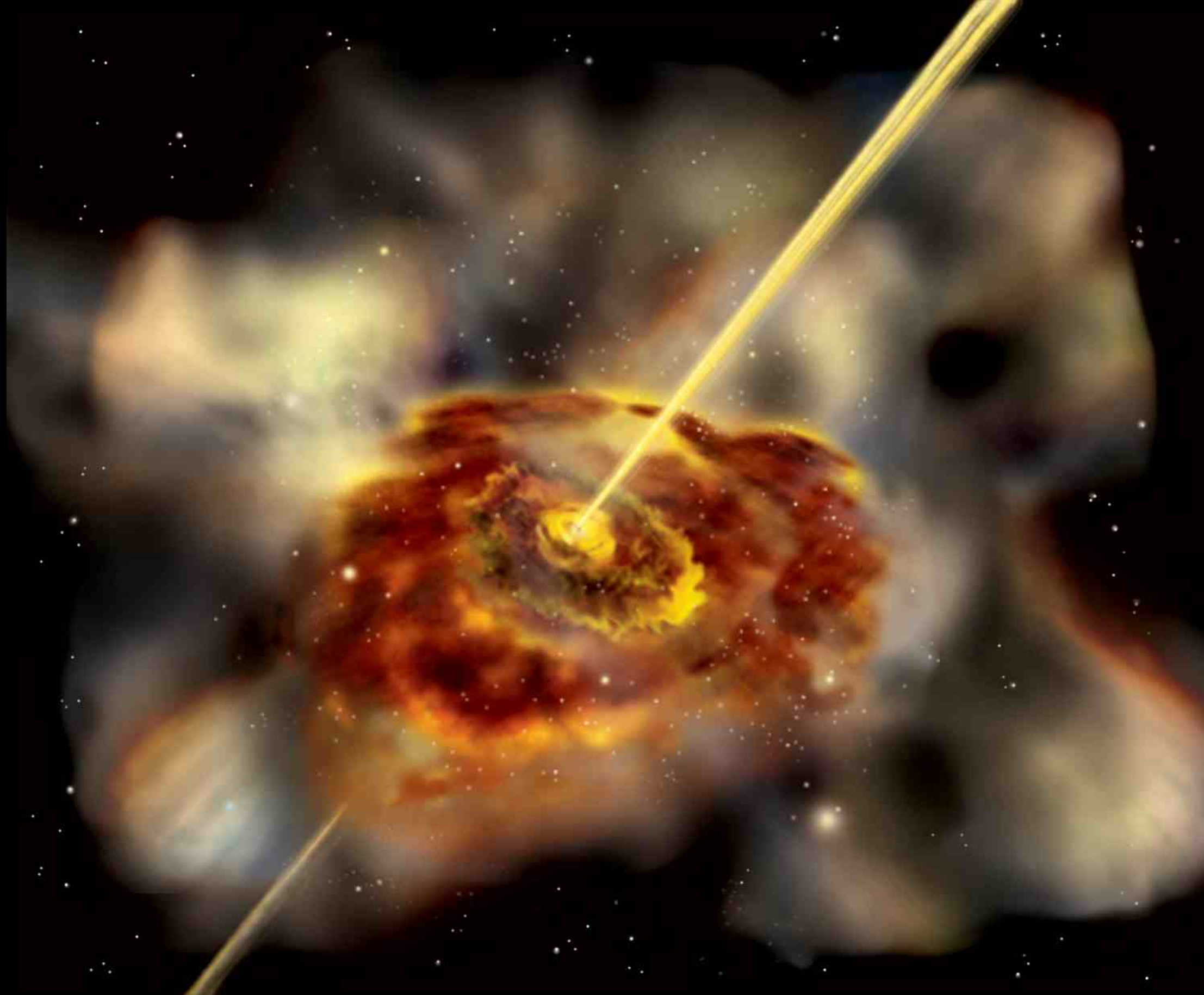
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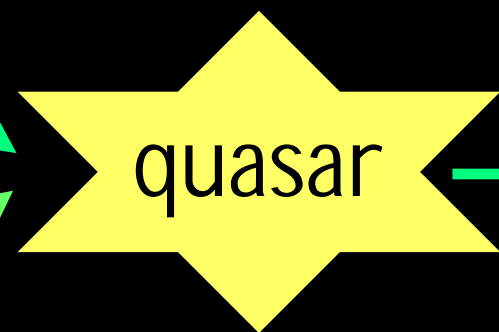
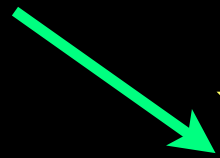






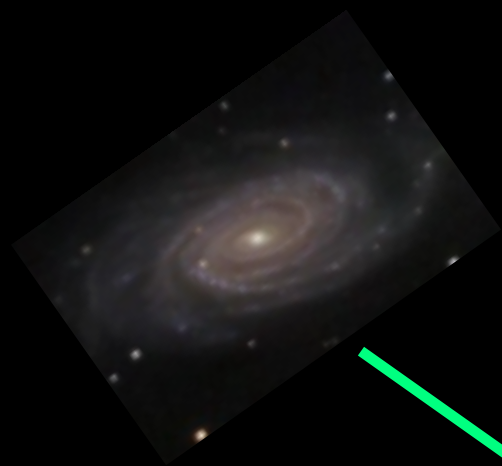


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quasar



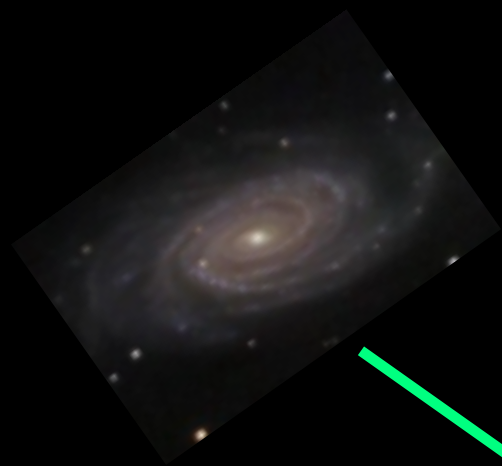
infalling gas, hot  
halo build-up,  
cooling gas

$z < 1$ : hierarchical  
growth





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quasar



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halo build-up

$z < 1$ : Radio Mode





	When?	Trigger?	Feeding?	Consequence?
Quasar Mode	at early times	gas rich mergers	cold gas	BH growth, sets properties of ellipticals
Radio Mode	at late times	BH & hot halo large enough?	hot gas? stellar winds?	suppresses cooling gas, shuts down SF

Croton et al. 2006



# black hole accretion toy model (radio mode)

assumption: the hot gas around the black hole  
is static and has uniform density

assumption: **maximal cooling flow** - at the  
Bondi radius, the gas density is determined by  
equating the cooling time to the free fall time



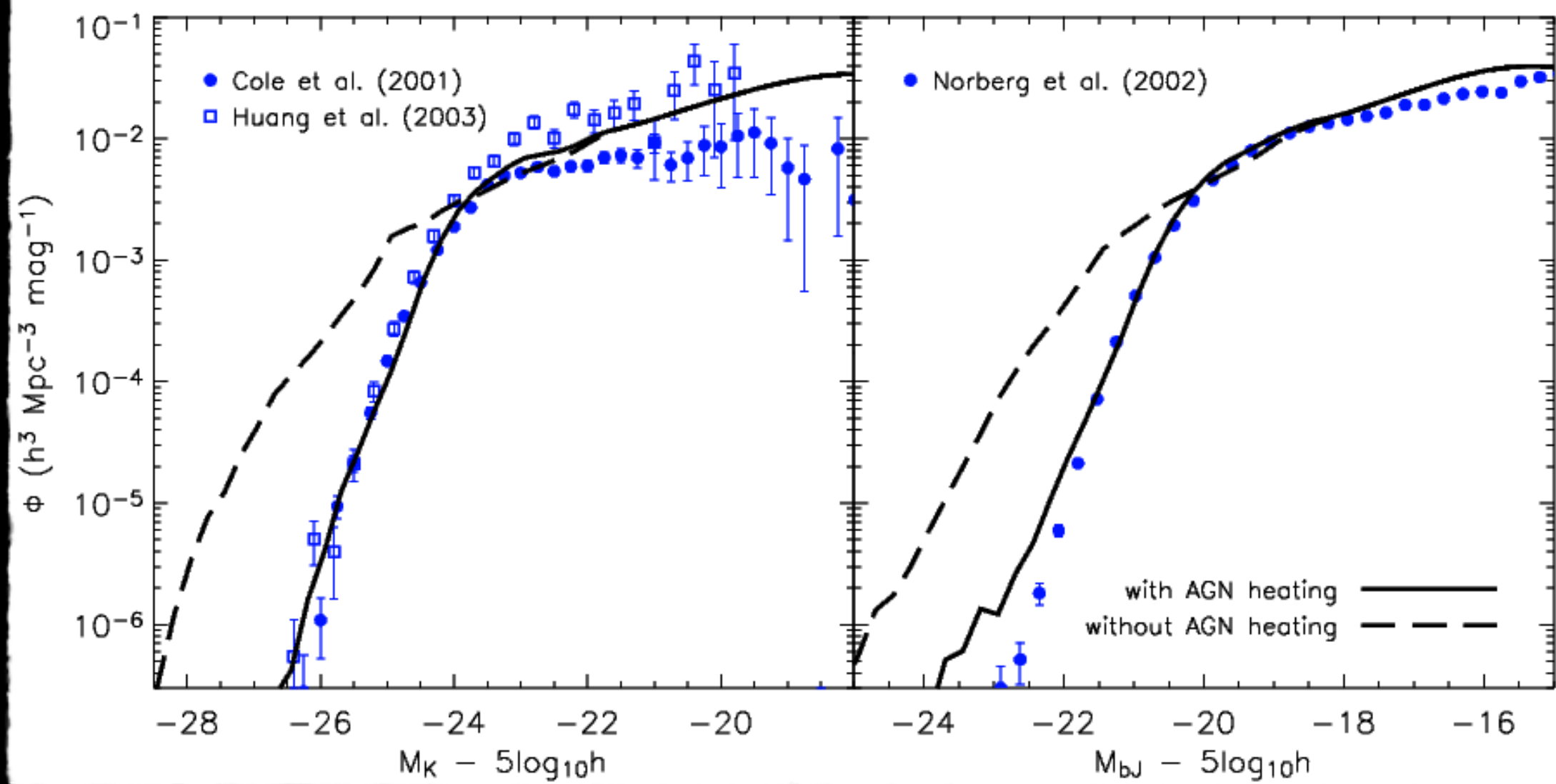
$$\dot{m}_{\text{Bondi}} = 2.5\pi G^2 \frac{m_{\text{BH}}^2 \rho_0}{c_s^3}$$

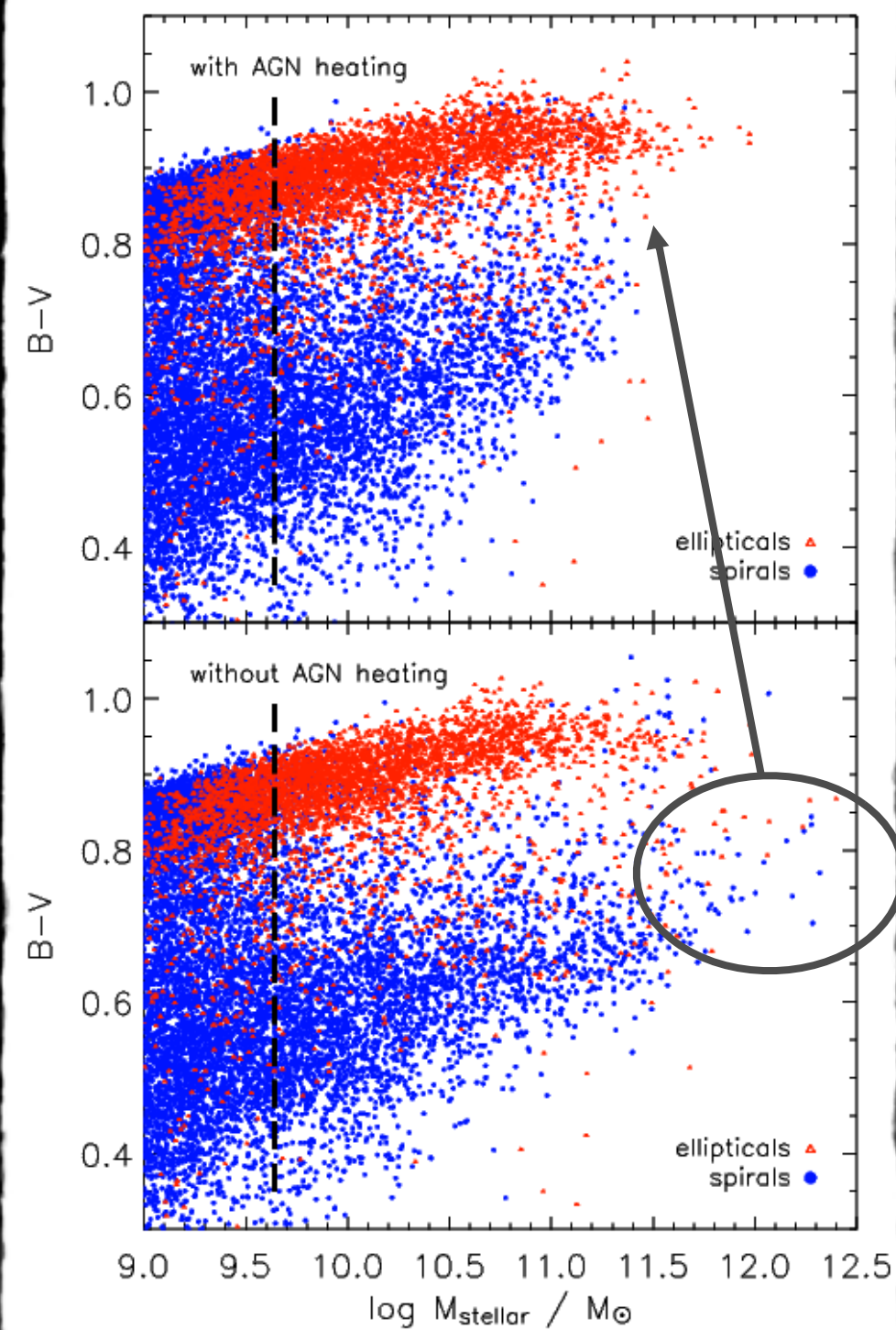
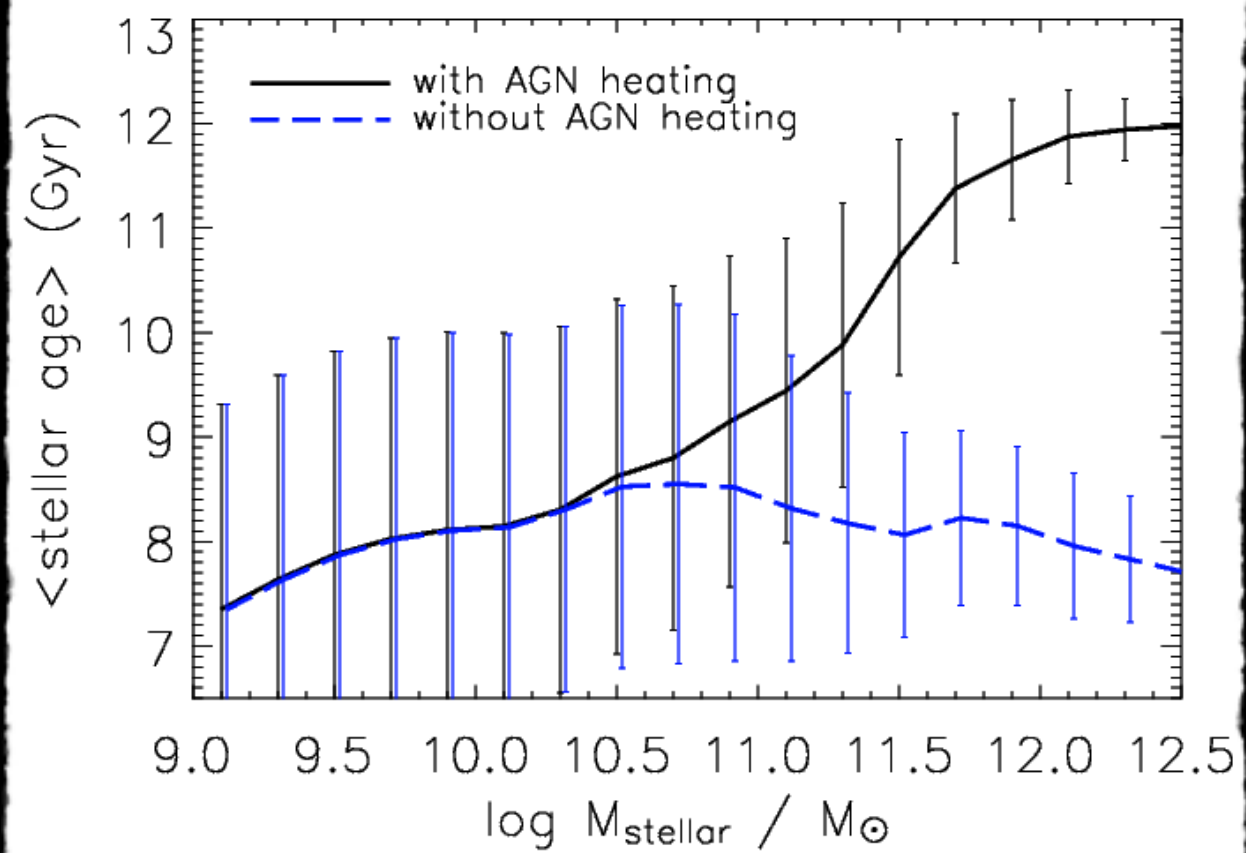
$$\frac{2r_{\text{Bondi}}}{c_s} \approx \frac{4Gm_{\text{BH}}}{V_{\text{vir}}^3} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\bar{\mu} m_p kT}{\rho_g(r_{\text{Bondi}}) \Lambda(T, Z)}$$

$$\rho_0 = \rho_g(r_{\text{Bondi}}) = \frac{3\mu m_p}{8G} \frac{kT}{\Lambda} \frac{V_{\text{vir}}^3}{m_{\text{BH}}}$$

$$\dot{m}_{\text{Bondi}} \approx G\mu m_p \frac{kT}{\Lambda} m_{\text{BH}}$$

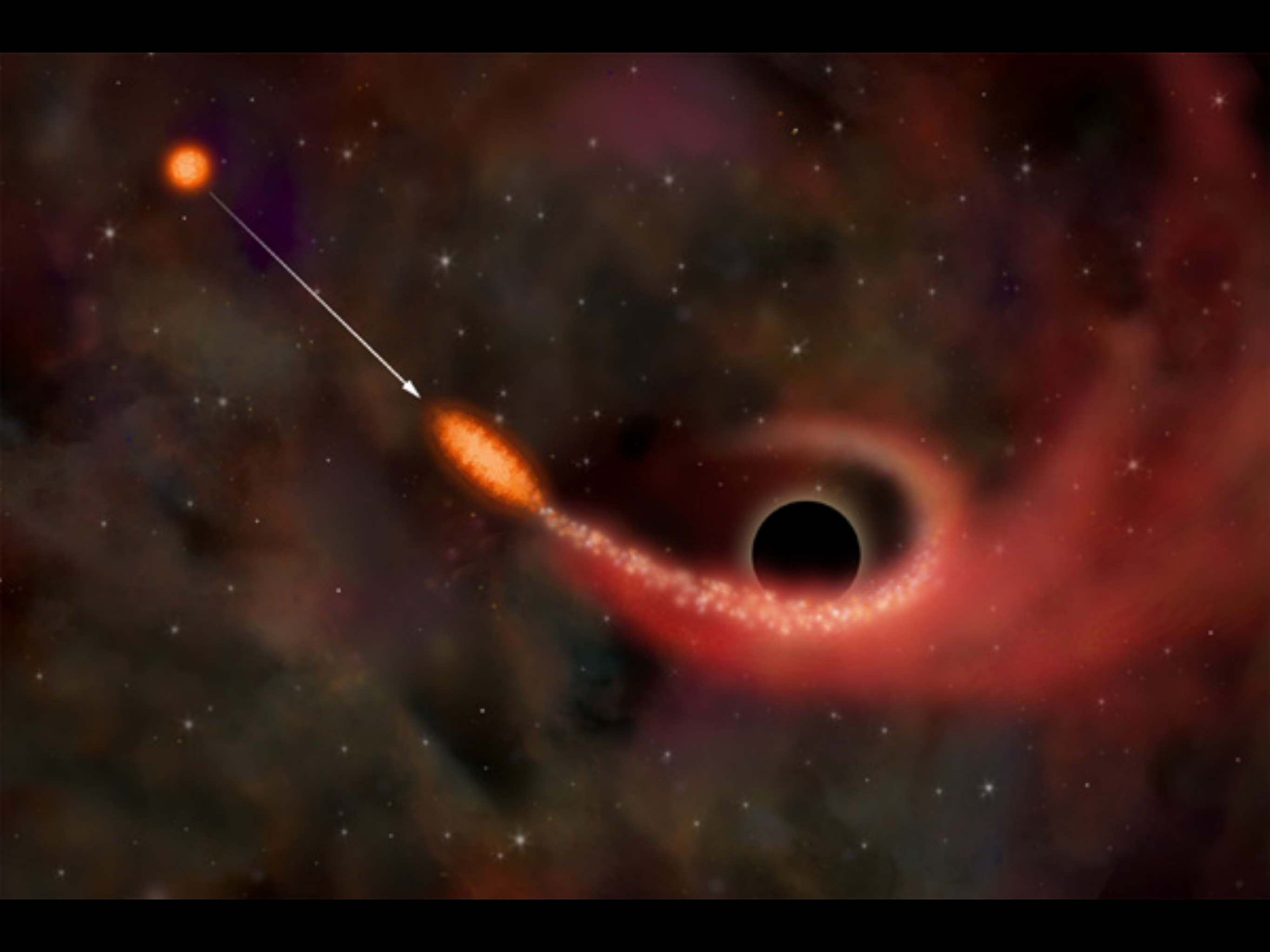








1. What is the primary growth mechanism for black holes (quasar mode)?
2. Can we observationally make a radio mode-quasar mode connection?





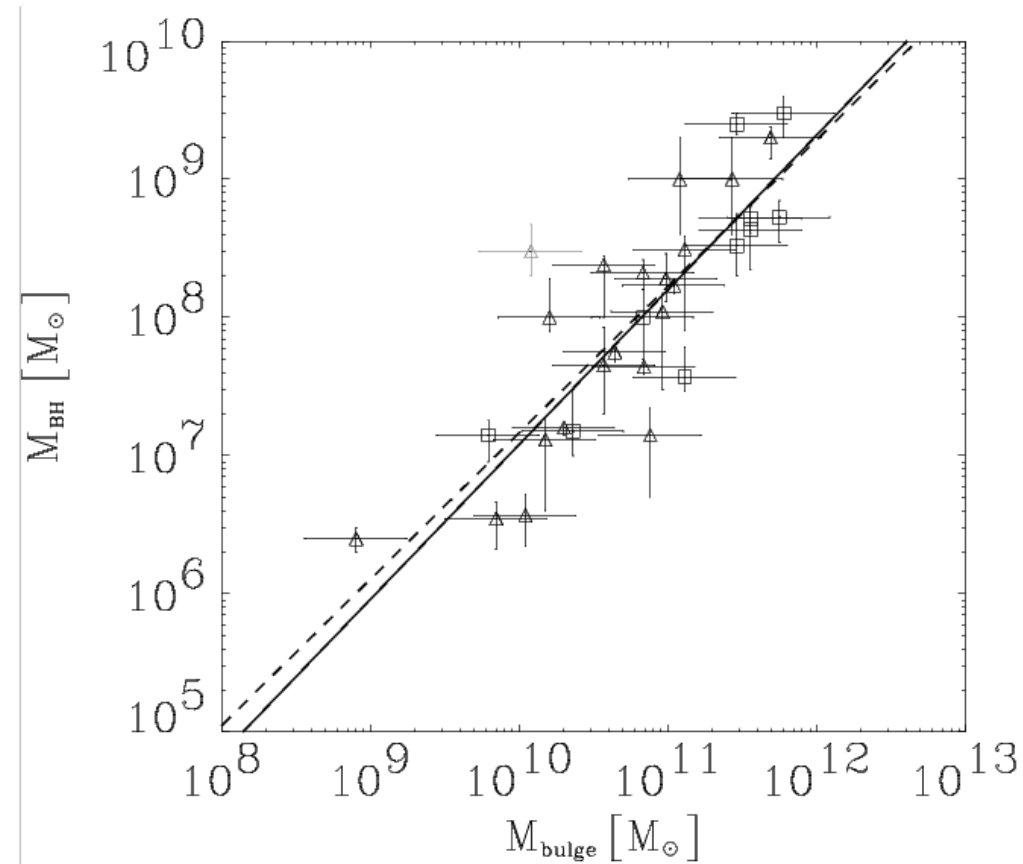
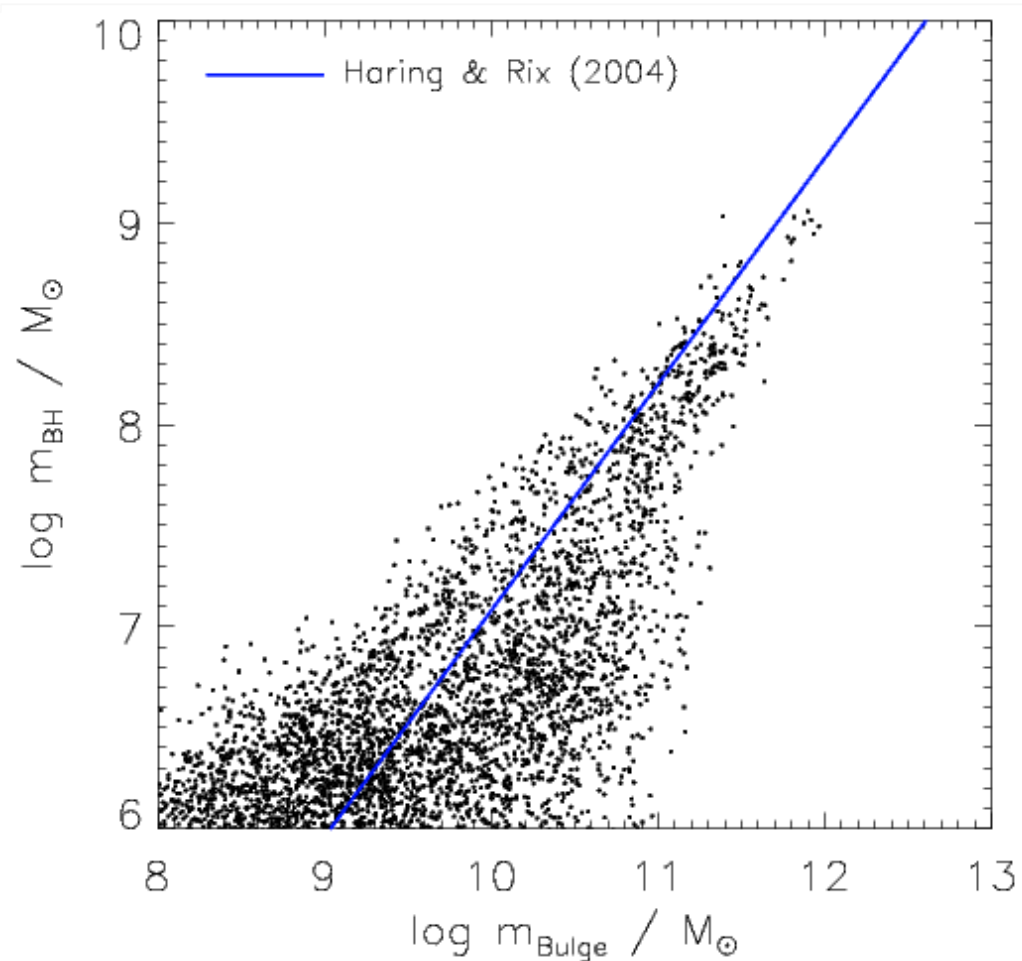
# Merger driven growth

During the merger some fraction of the cold gas is driven onto the black hole



# black hole-bulge

merger driven growth





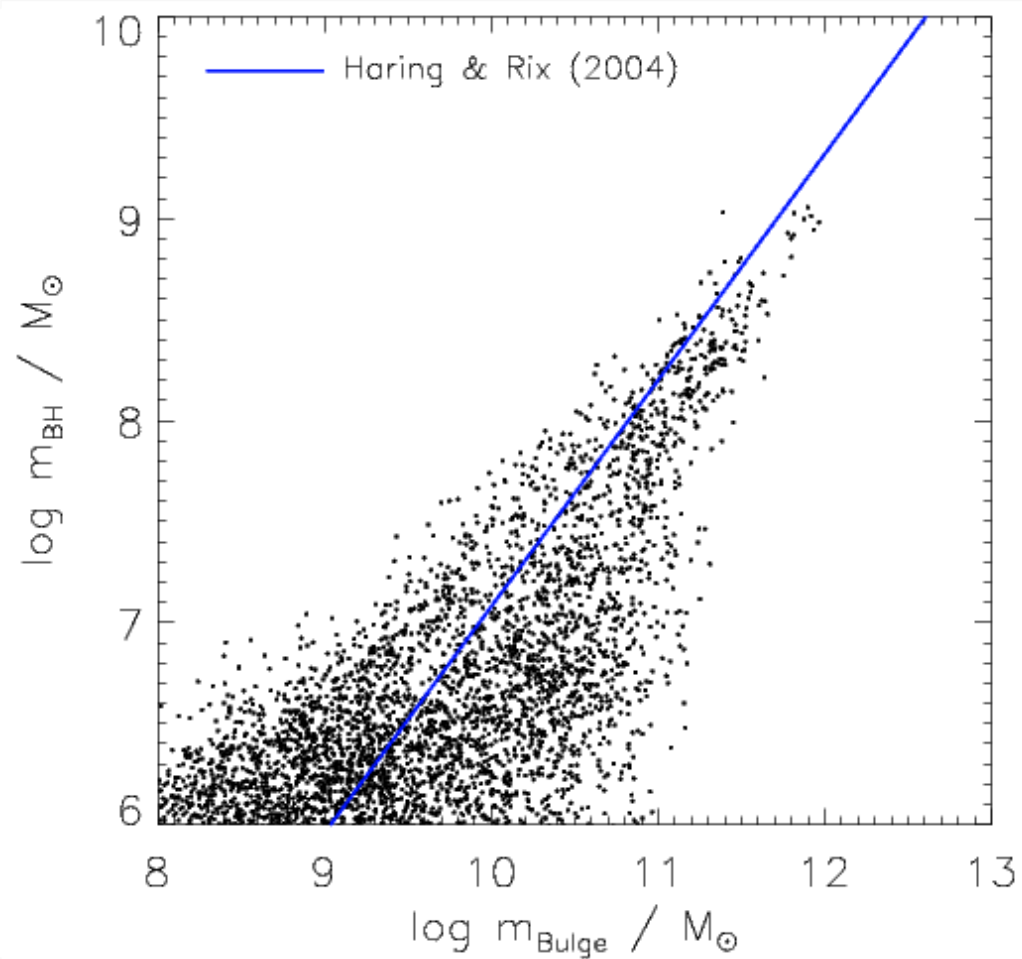
# Secular driven growth

As the stellar disk becomes unstable, some fraction of the cold gas is dragged inward to accrete onto the black hole

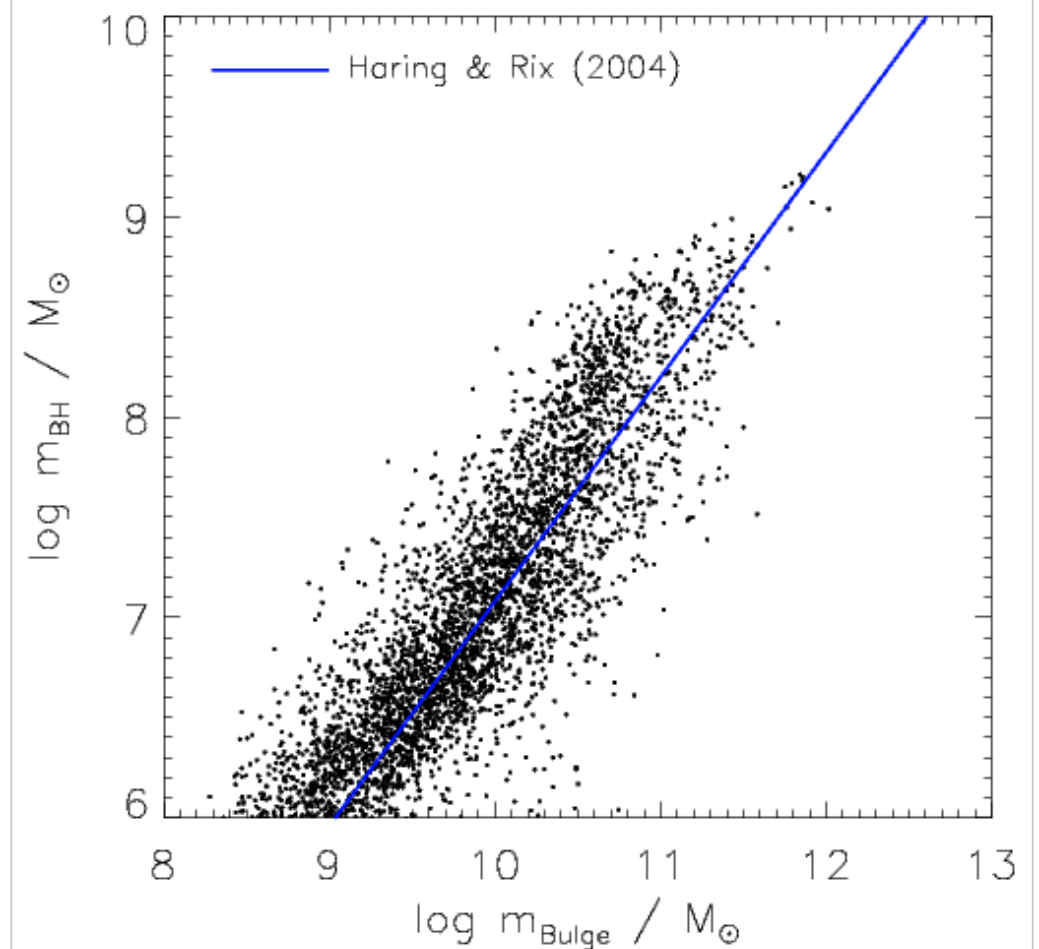


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merger driven growth



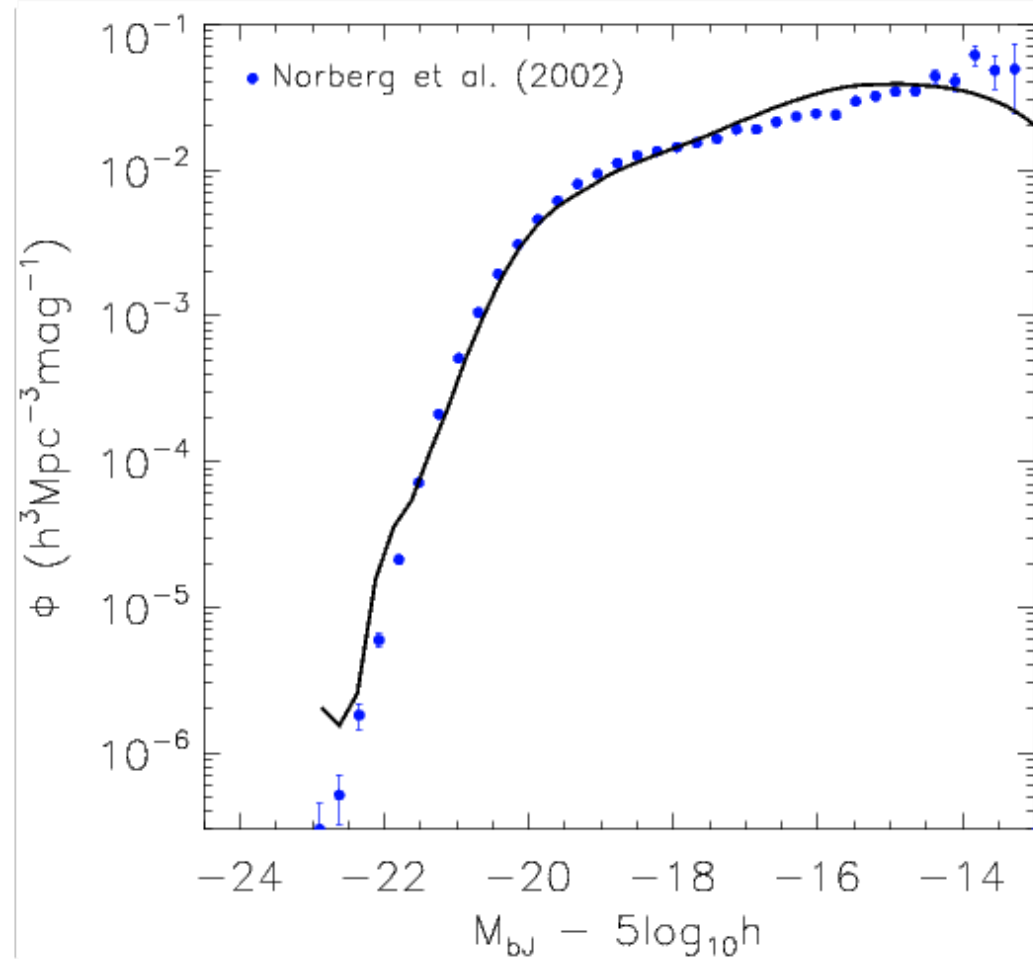
disk instability  
driven growth



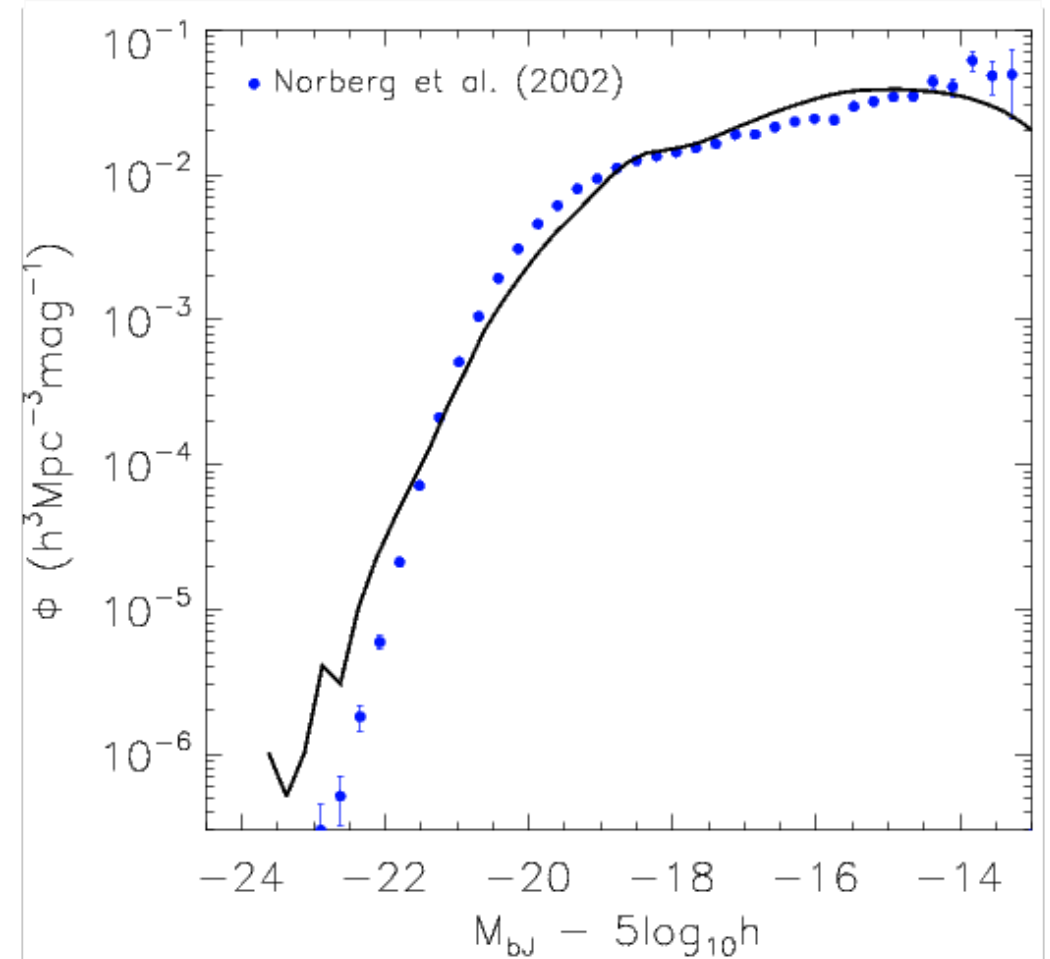


# luminosity function

merger driven growth

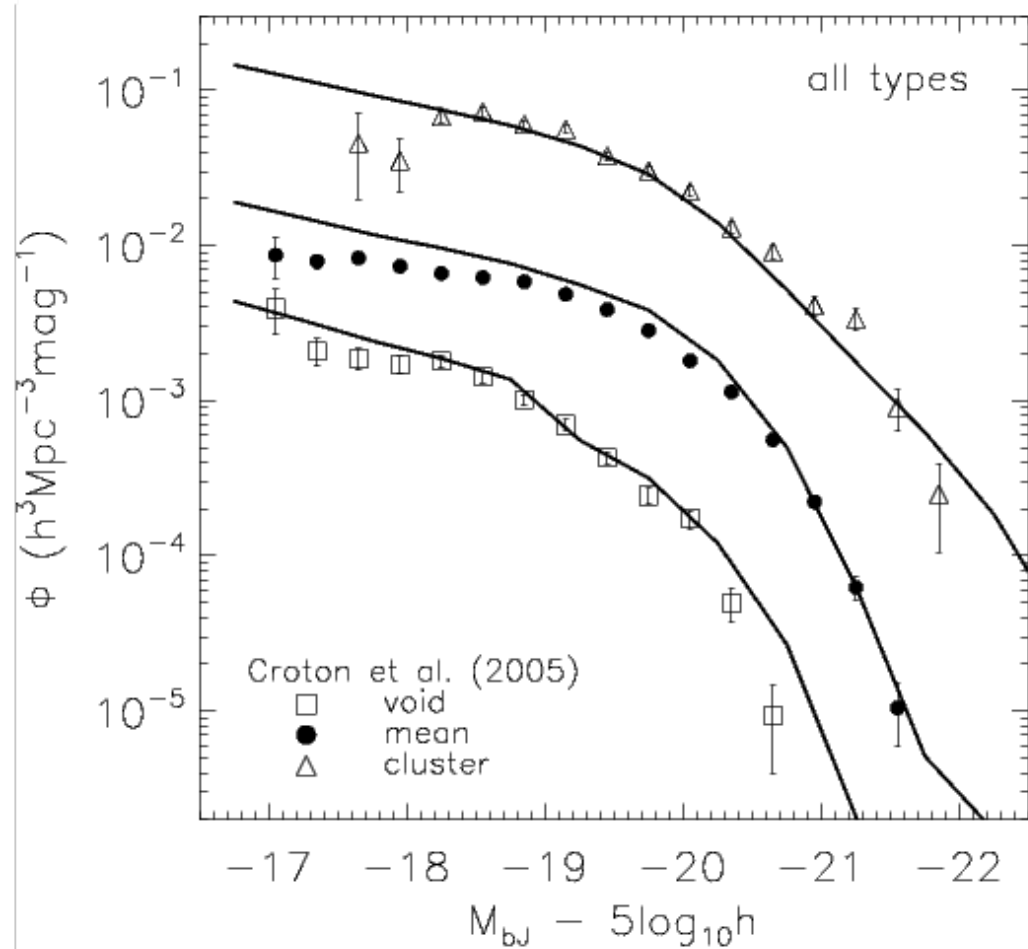


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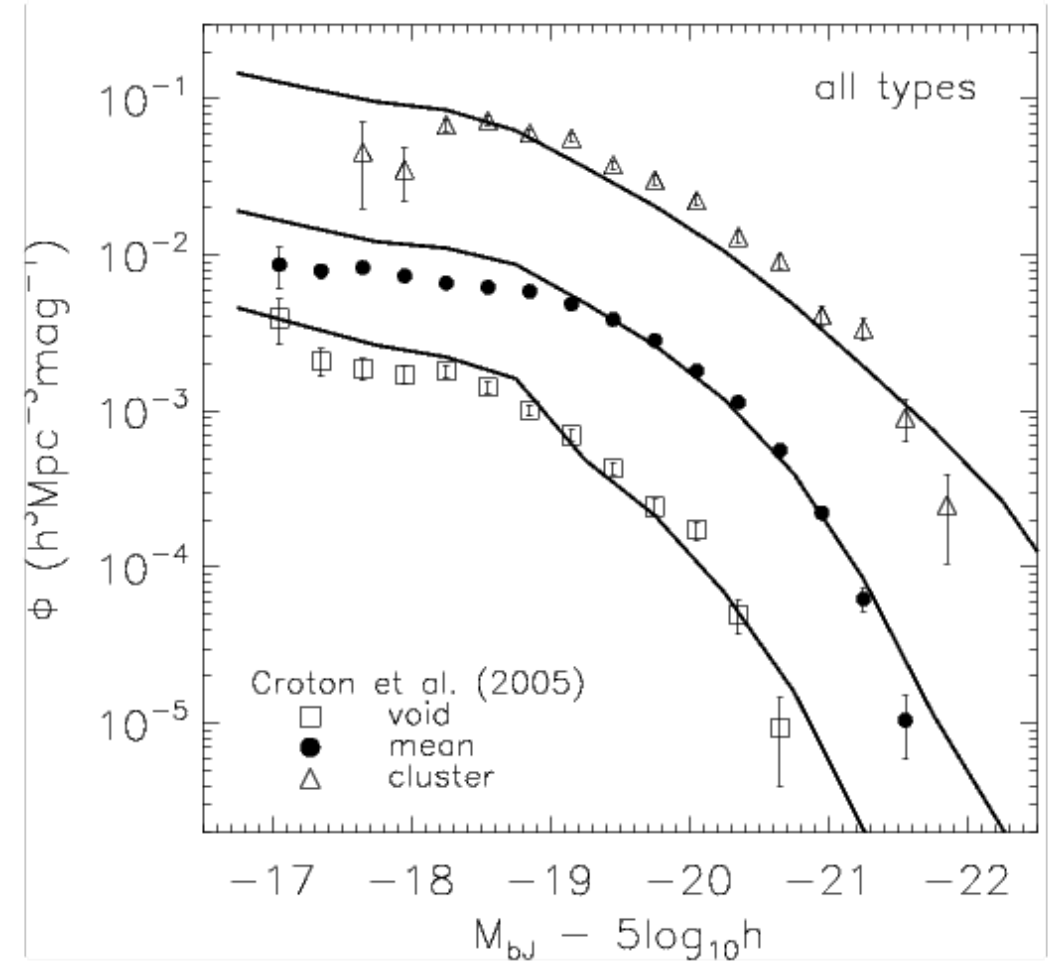


# environment LFs

merger driven growth



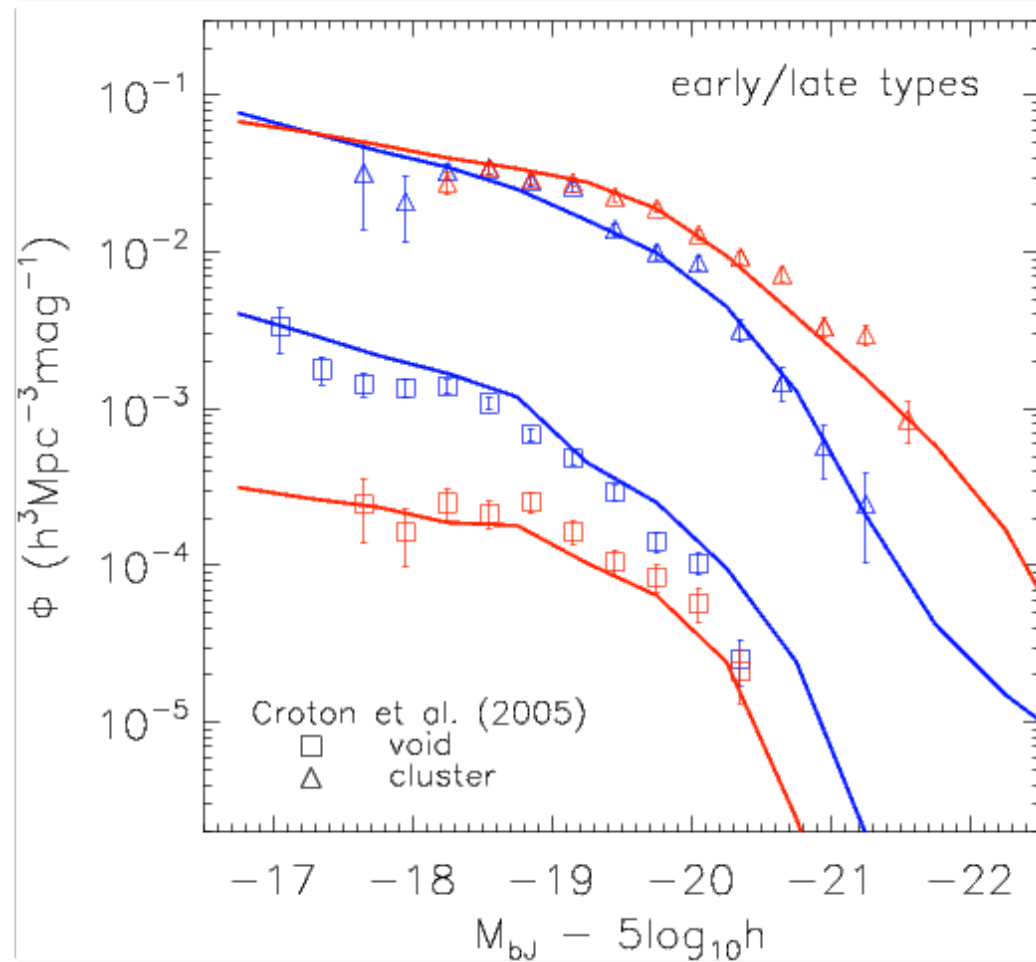
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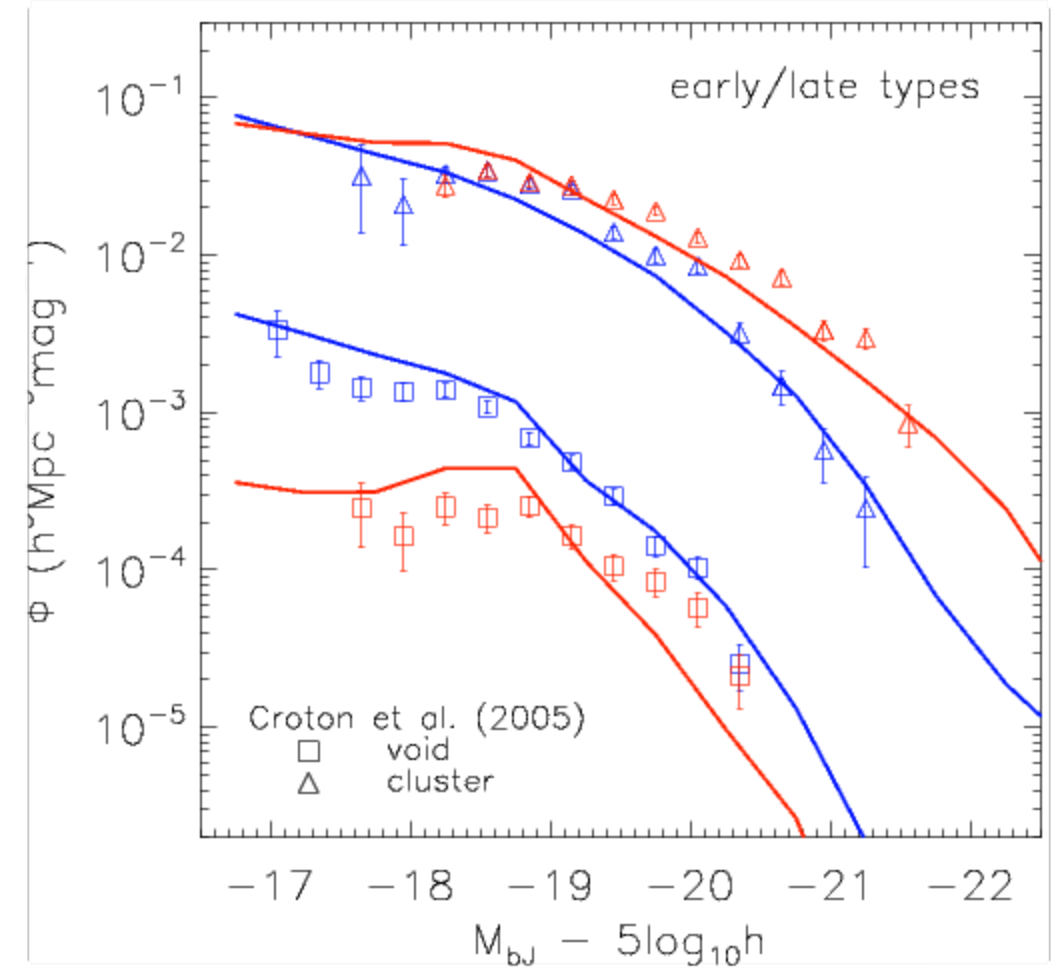


# environment LFs - colour

merger driven growth



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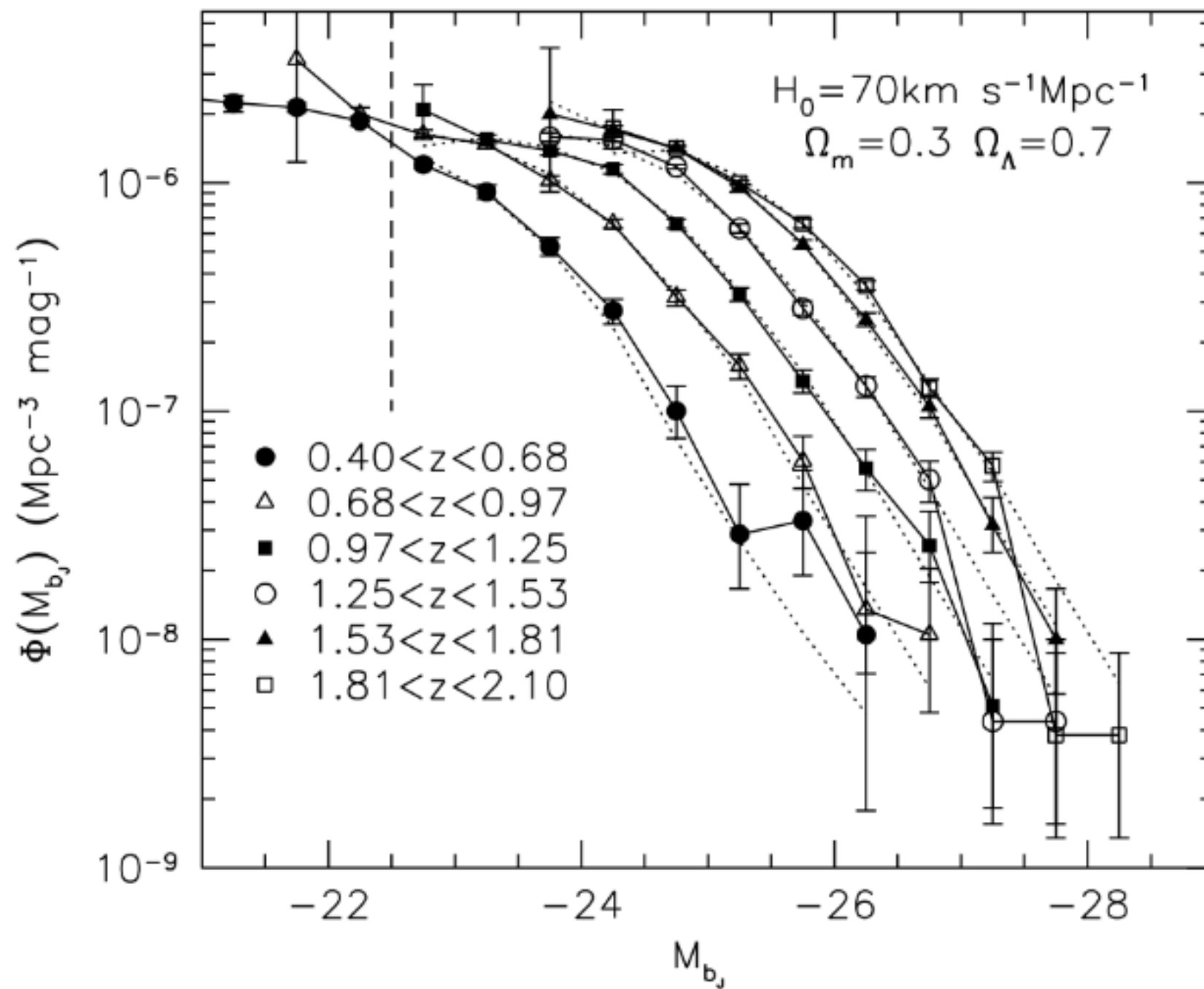


Simple secular vs merger models of black hole growth do not show any obvious observational signatures to differentiate them

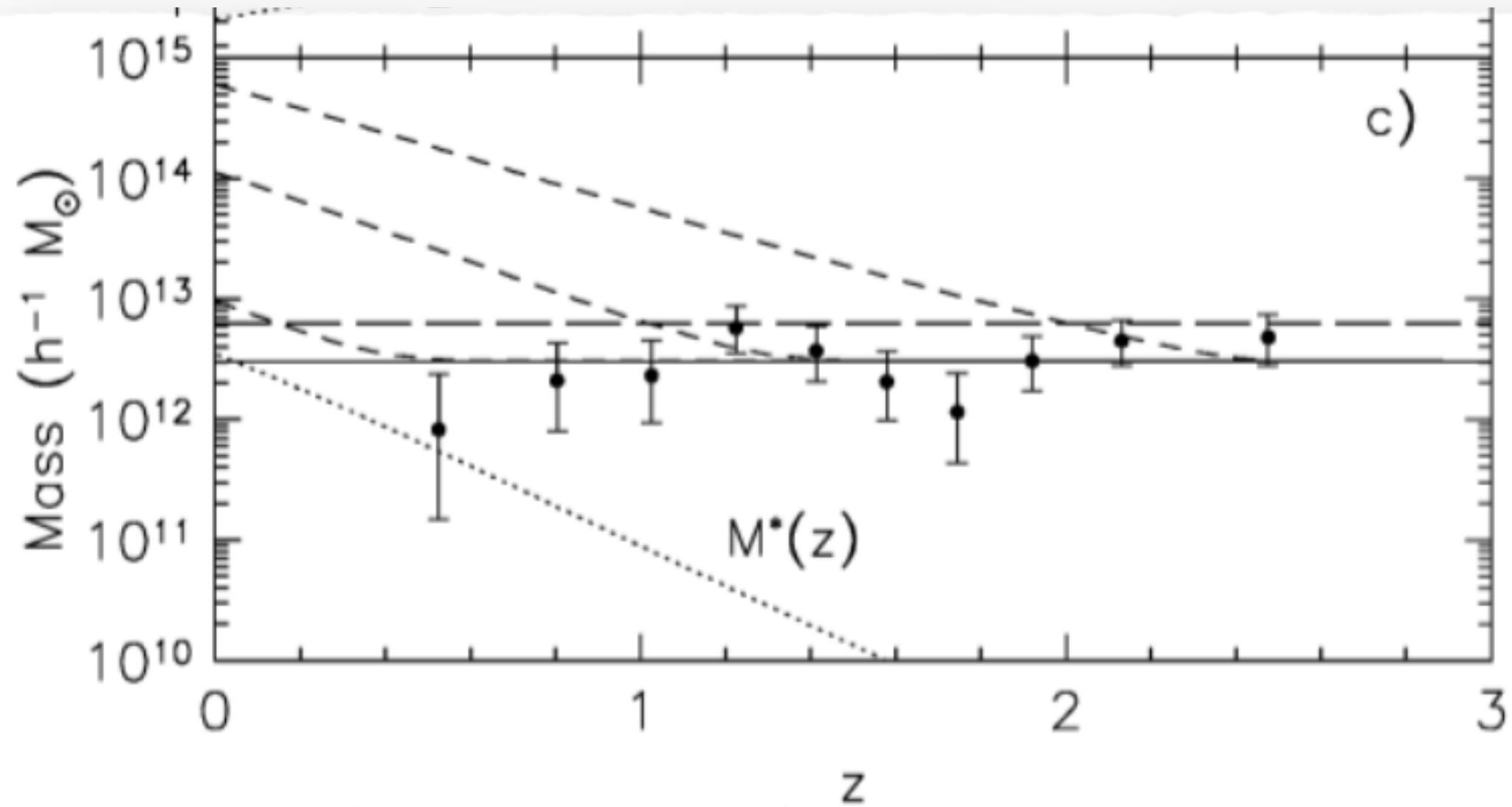
(BH-bulge, LFs, environment)



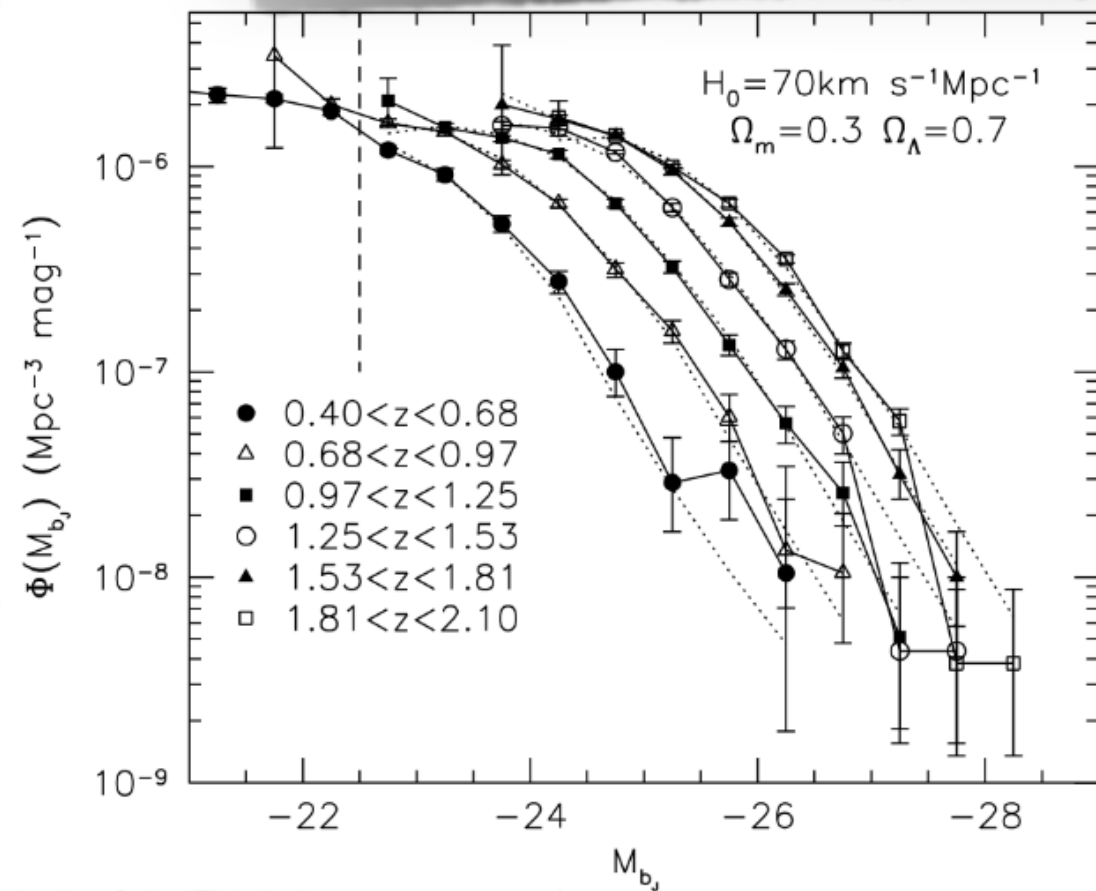




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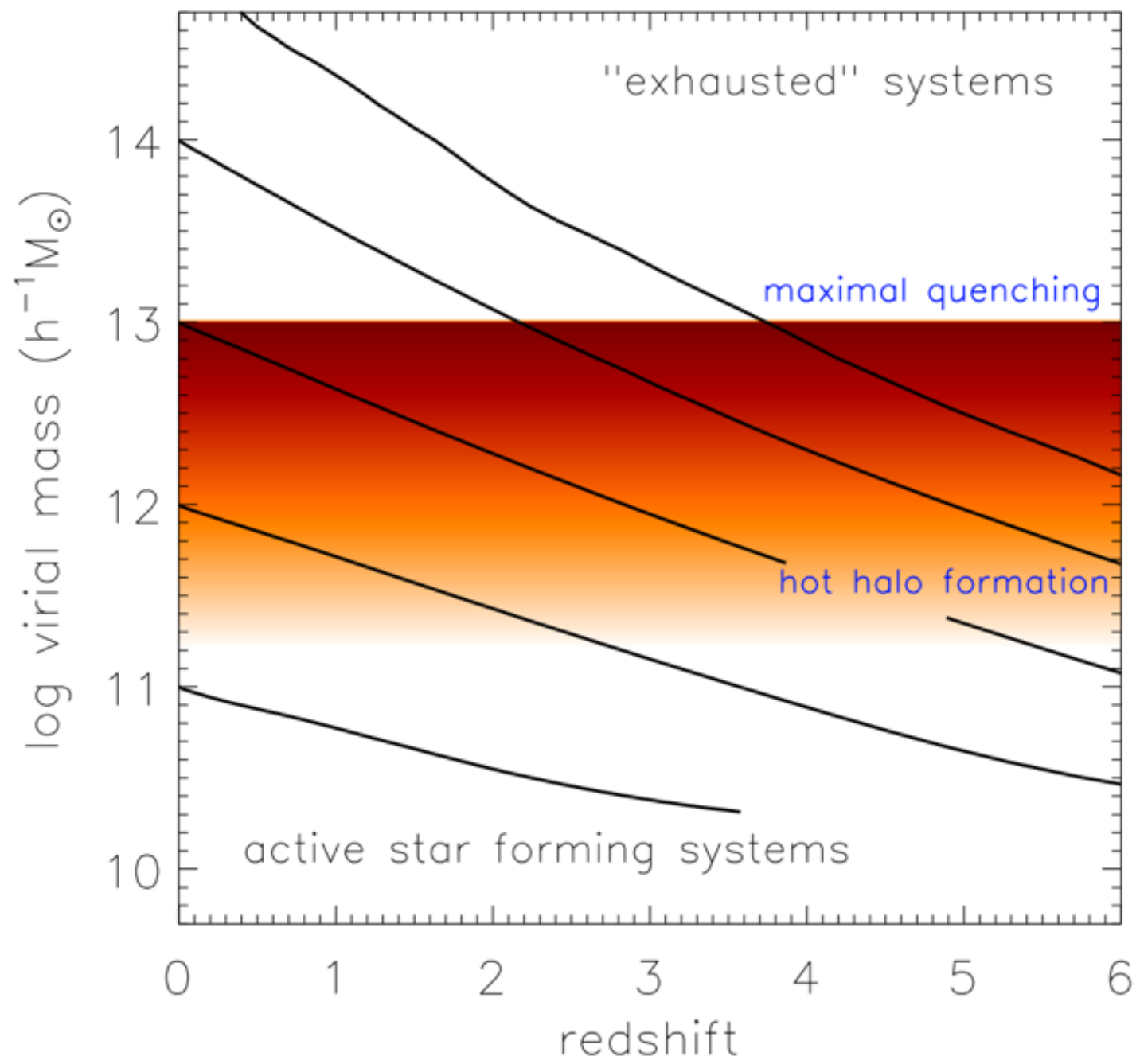


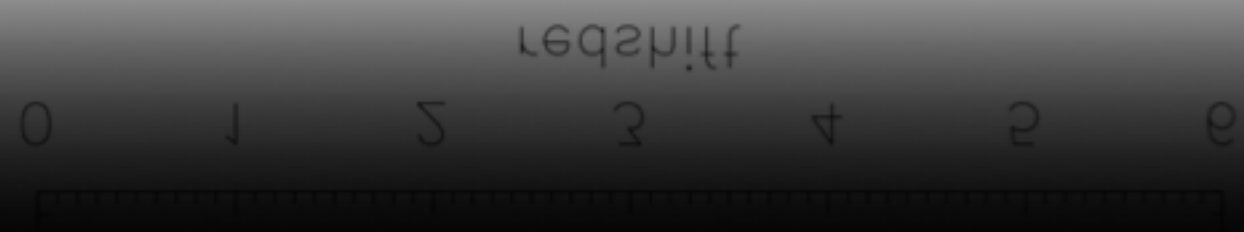
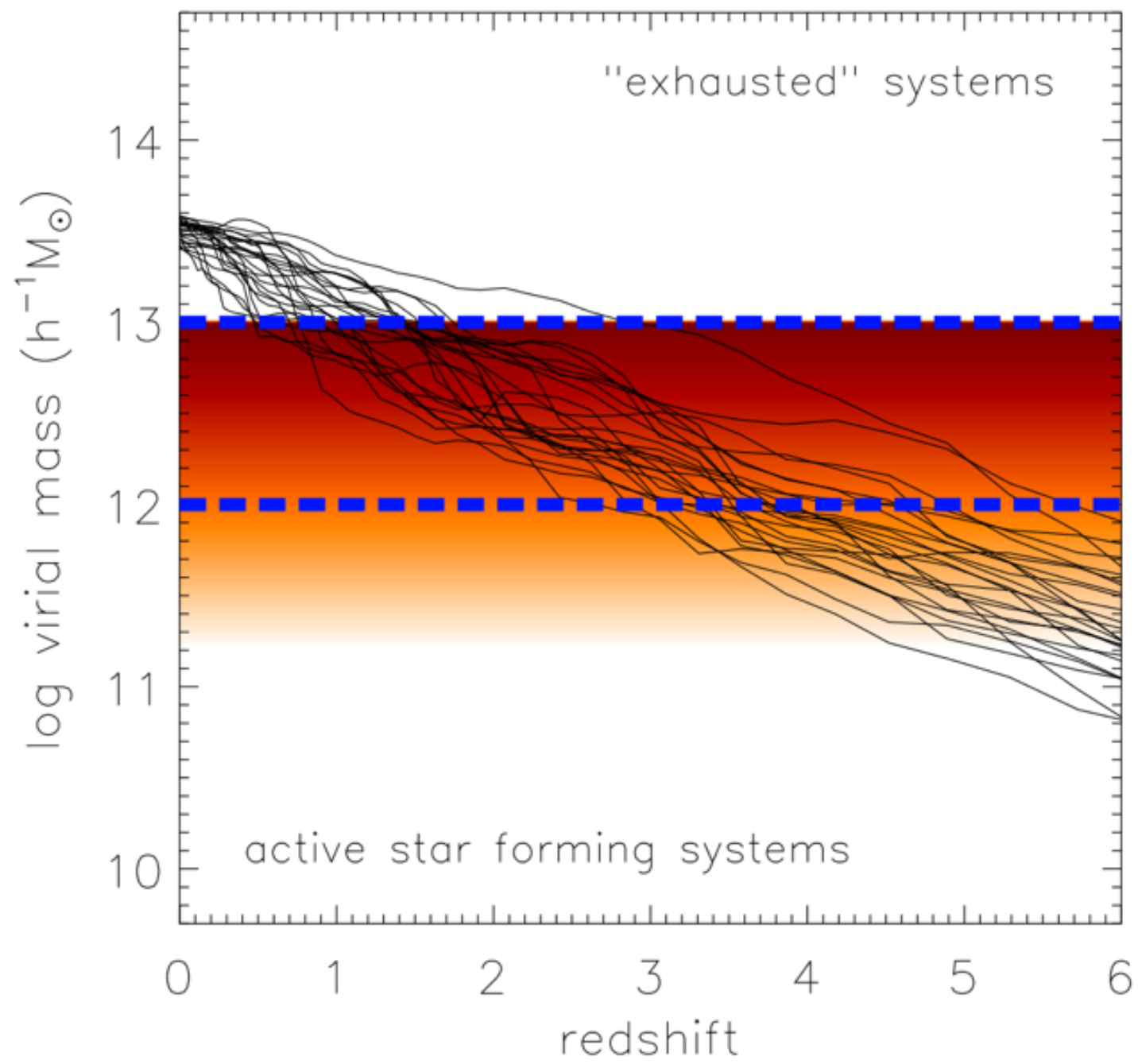
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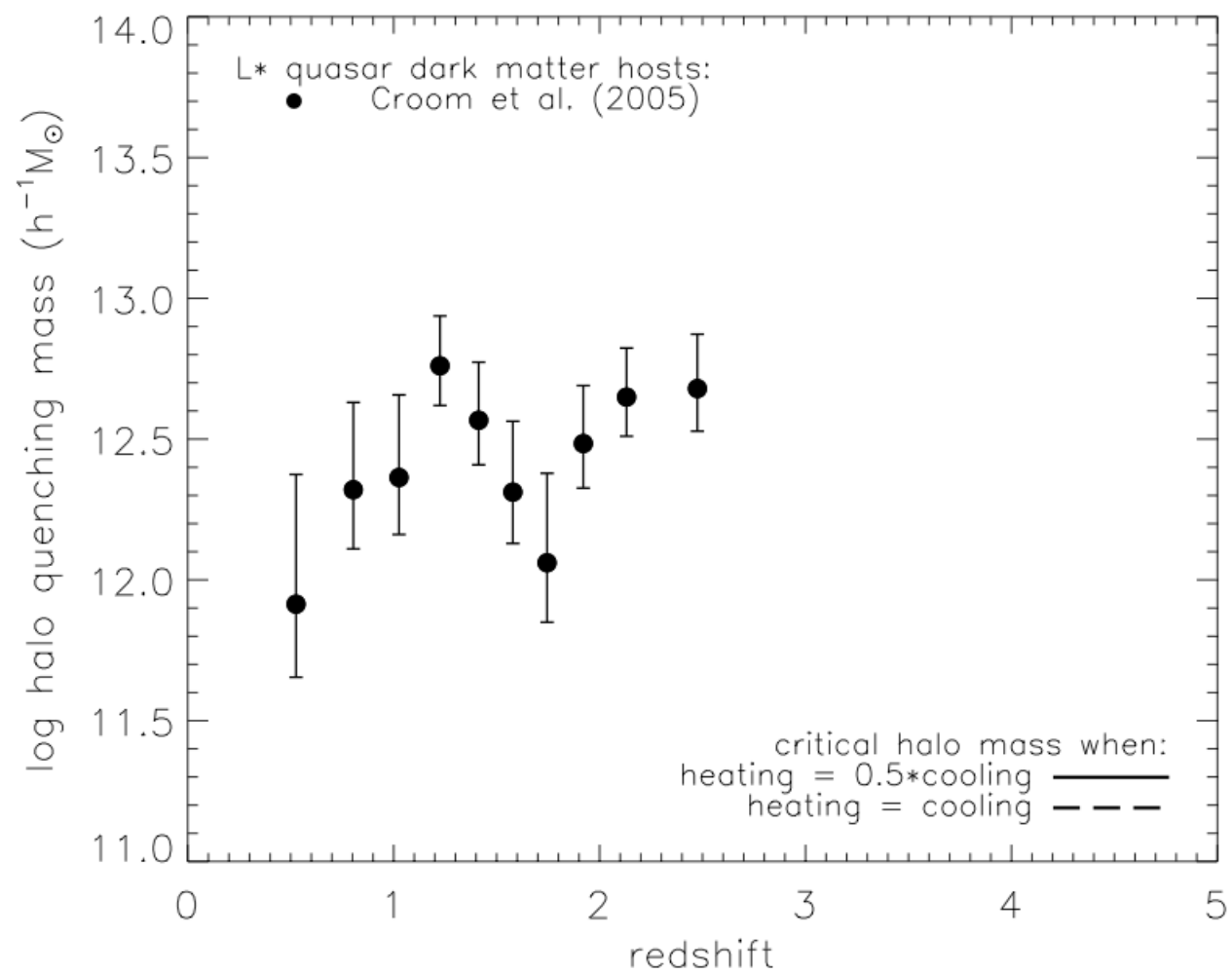




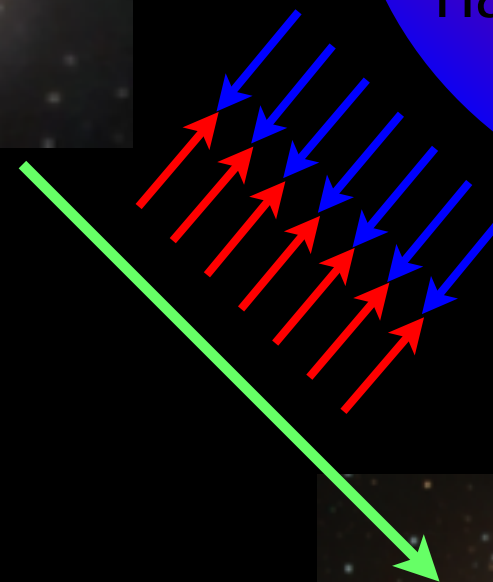


The last stand of the  
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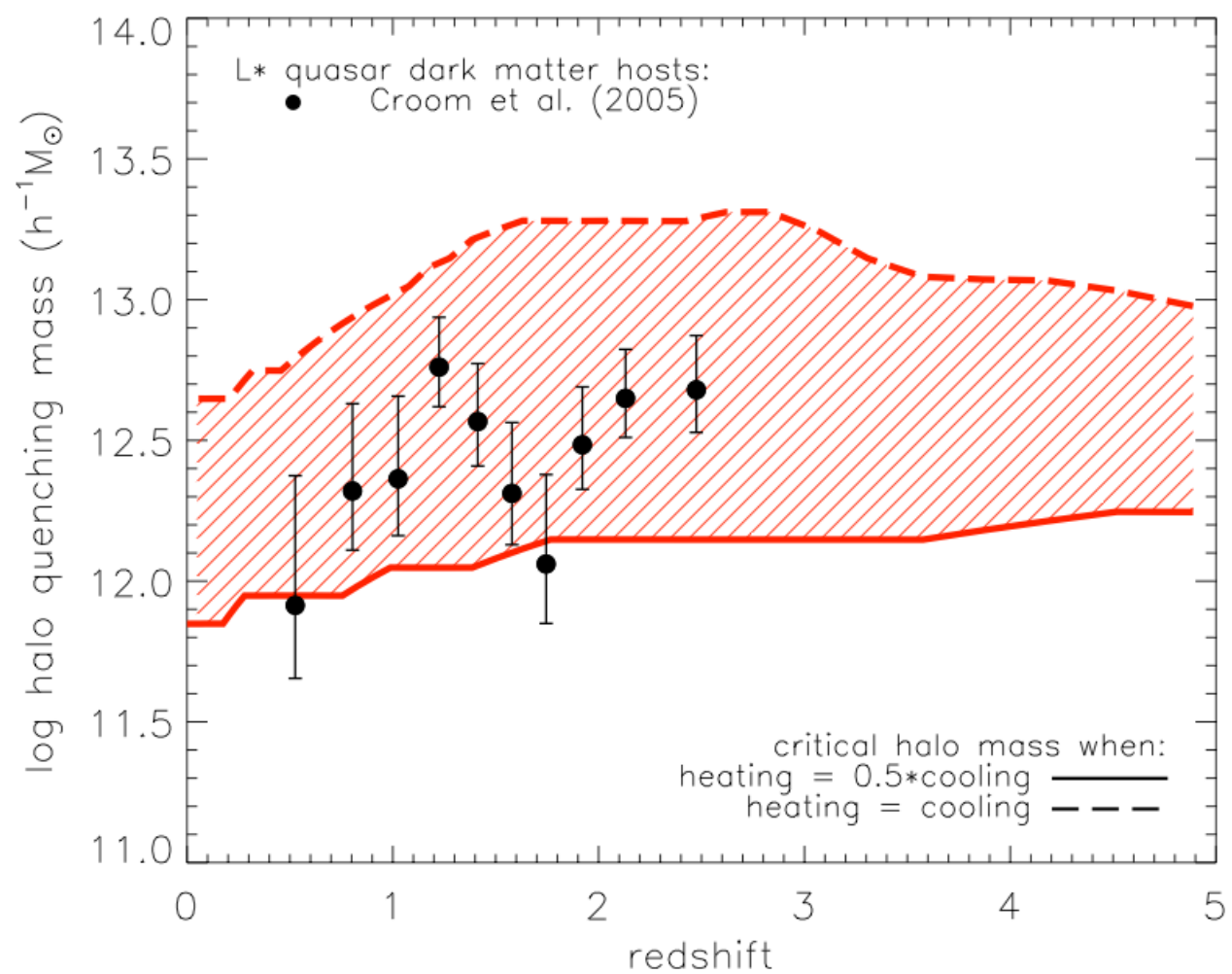




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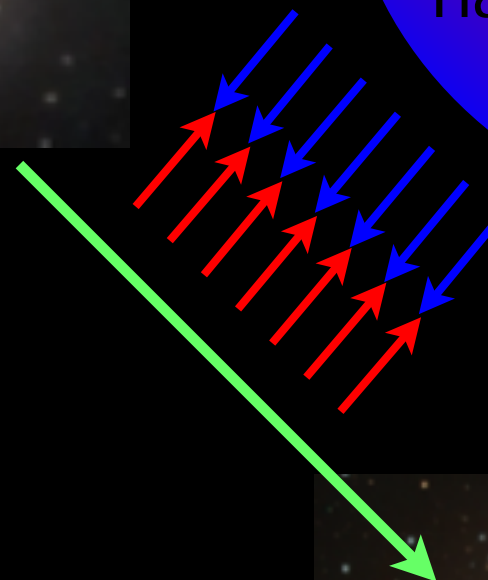
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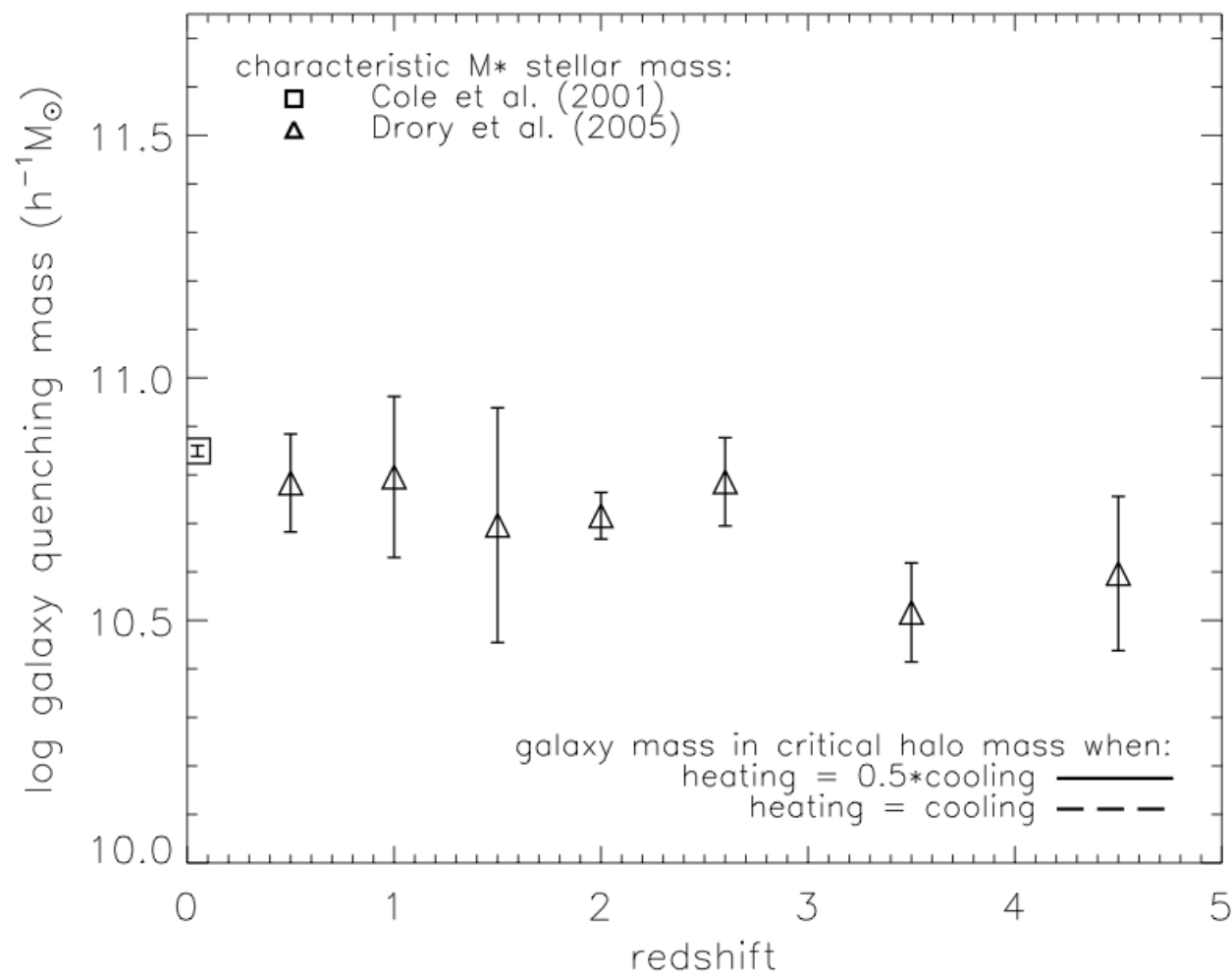


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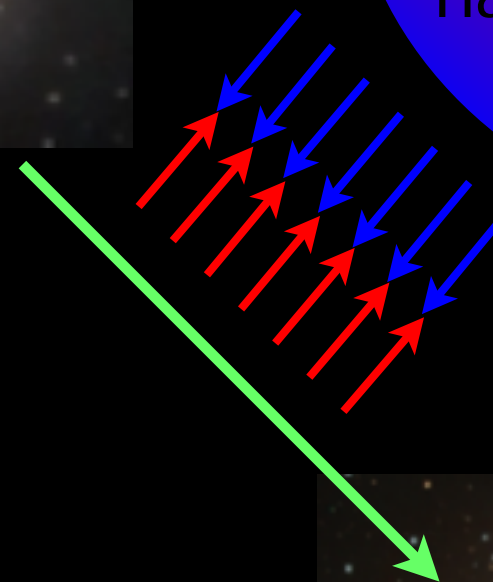


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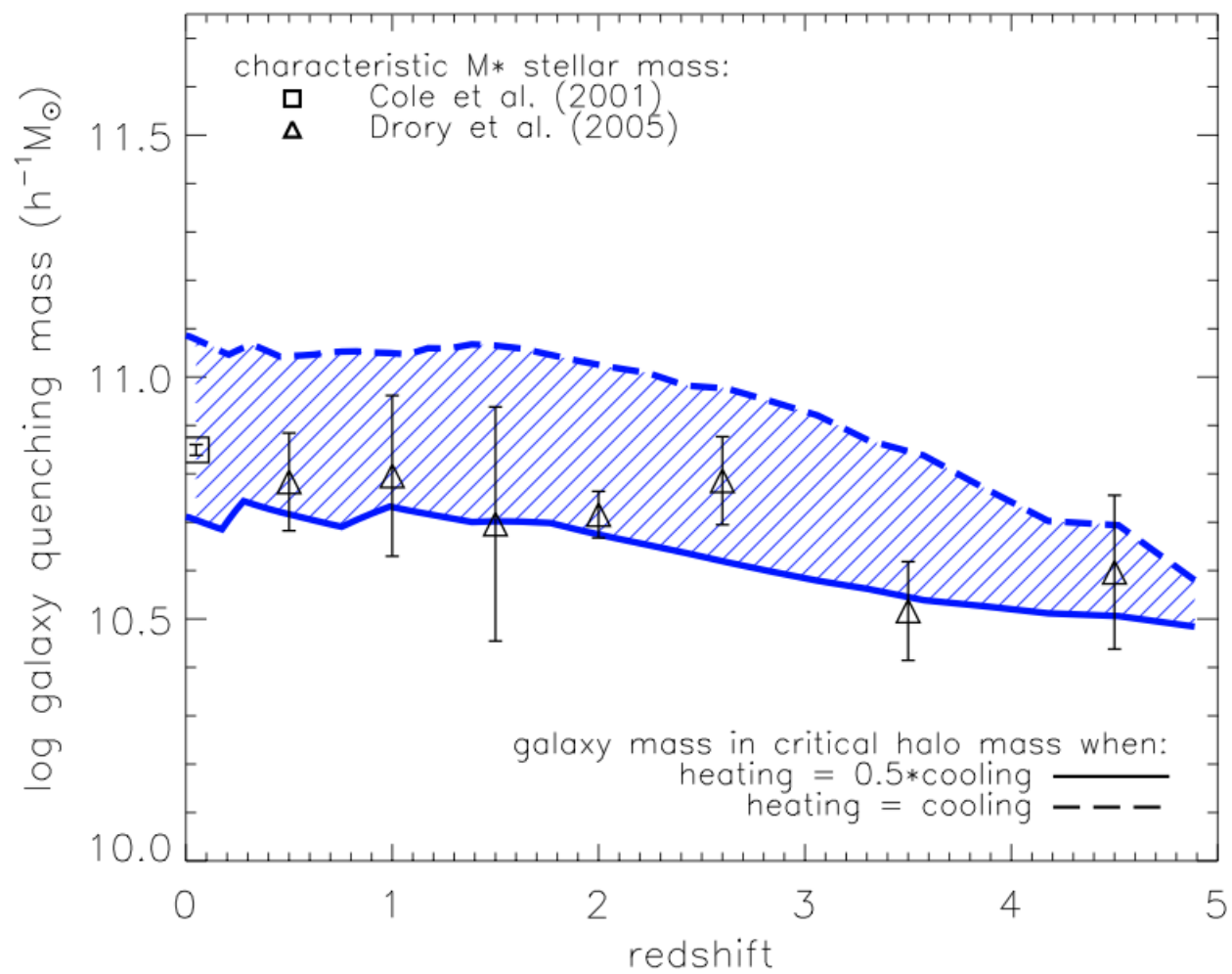




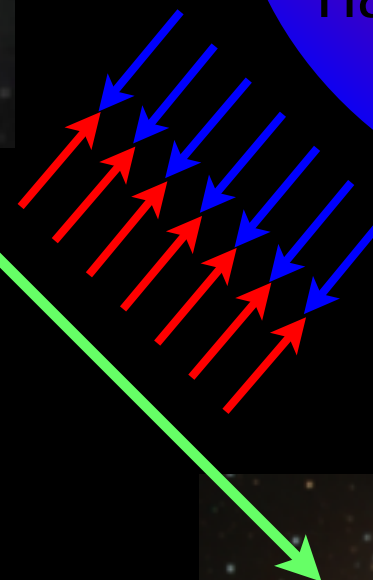
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$L^*$  quasars track the halo quenching mass and can be observed out to high redshift.

They should mark the transition from quasar to radio mode.

# So what does all this mean ...

1. Toy models are a valuable tool to explore plausible AGN scenarios
2. It's hard to distinguish merger vs. secular driven black hole growth
3. The current "radio mode" models naturally predict the masses of  $L^*$  quasar hosts