

# The 3D clustering of SDSS-III BOSS DR9 galaxies

(and the construction of mock catalogues)

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# *The clustering of galaxies in the SDSS-III BOSS survey:*

Anderson et al. arXiv:1203.6594

Ross et al. arXiv:1203.6499&1208.1491

Manera et al. arXiv:1203.6609

Reid et al. arXiv:1203.6641

Tojeiro et al. arXiv:1203.6565

Sanchez et al. arXiv:1203.6616

Samushia et al. arXiv:1206.5309

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# **The clustering of galaxies in the SDSS-III Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey:**

**Baryon Acoustic Oscillations in the Data Release 9 Spectroscopic Galaxy Sample (Anderson et al. 2012)**

**Analysis of potential systematics (Ross et al. 2012)**

**A large sample of mock galaxy catalogues (Manera et al. 2012)**

**Measurements of the growth of structure and expansion rate at  $z=0.57$  from anisotropic clustering (Reid et al. 2012)**

**Testing Deviations from  $\Lambda$ CDM and General Relativity using anisotropic clustering of galaxies (Samushia et al. 2012)**

**Cosmological implications of the large-scale two-point correlation function (Sánchez et al. 2012)**

**Measuring structure growth using passive galaxies (Tojeiro et al. 2012)**

**Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey: Constraints on Primordial Non-Gaussianity (Ross et al 2012)**

# *BOSS DR9 data available:*

The Ninth SDSS Data Release (DR9) - SDSS-III

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## The Ninth SDSS Data Release (DR9)

Data Release 9 (DR9) offers the latest data from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey. Data Release 9 is the first release of the spectra from the SDSS-III's Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey (BOSS), which includes more than 800,000 spectra over 3,300 square degrees of sky, observed with the new 1,000-fiber BOSS spectrograph.

Data Release 9 also includes all imaging and spectra from prior SDSS data releases, and provides corrected astrometry for the imaging from Data Release 8.

DR9 also includes better stellar parameter estimates, provided by an updated SEGUE Stellar Parameter Pipeline (SSPP). The principal changes from DR8 are summarized in the [What's New in DR9](#).

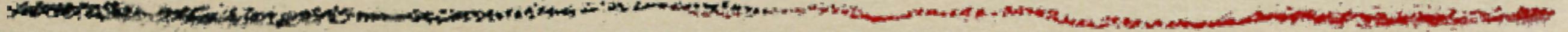
Sky coverage	14,555 square degrees
Catalog objects	932,891,133
Galaxy spectra	1,457,002
Quasar spectra	228,468
Star spectra	668,054

# OUTLINE

- I. BOSS DR9 galaxies
- II. BAO Measurements, and
- II. Systematics and Statistical Errors
- III. Results (monopole)
- IV. Mock galaxy catalogues
- V. Other Results from BOSS

# I. BOSS DR9 galaxies

# *CMASS DR9 galaxy sample*

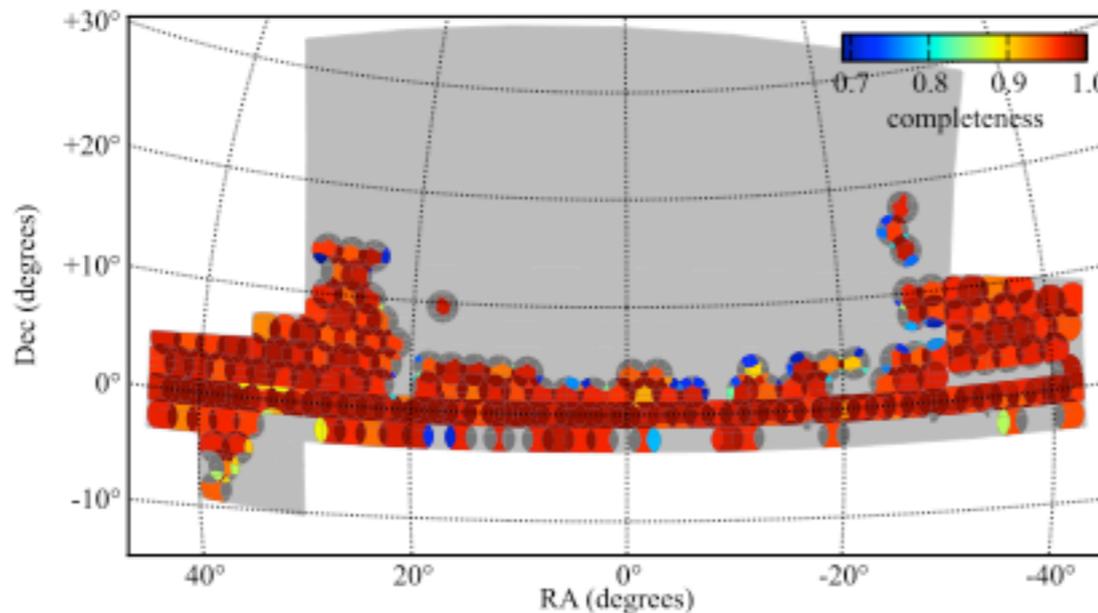
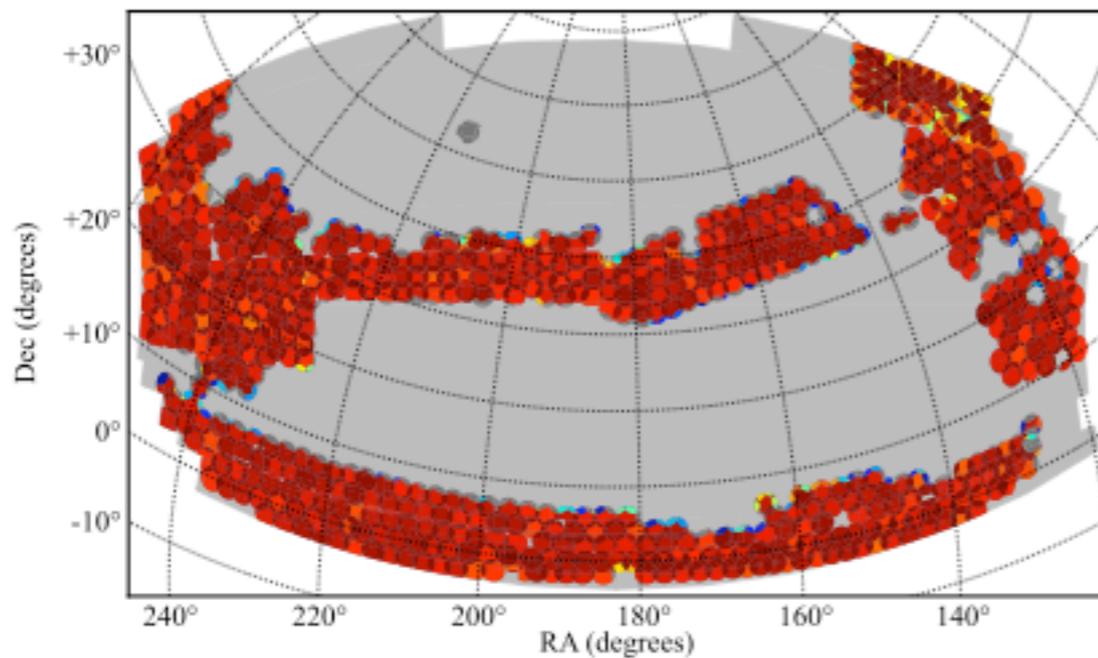


BOSS 1.5 million galaxies  
over 10000 sq. deg

CMASS 270,000+  
redshifts  $0.43 < z < 0.7$

DR9 footprint 3345 sq. deg  
2635 in the NGC  
709 in the SGC

CMASS sample targets  
massive luminous galaxies



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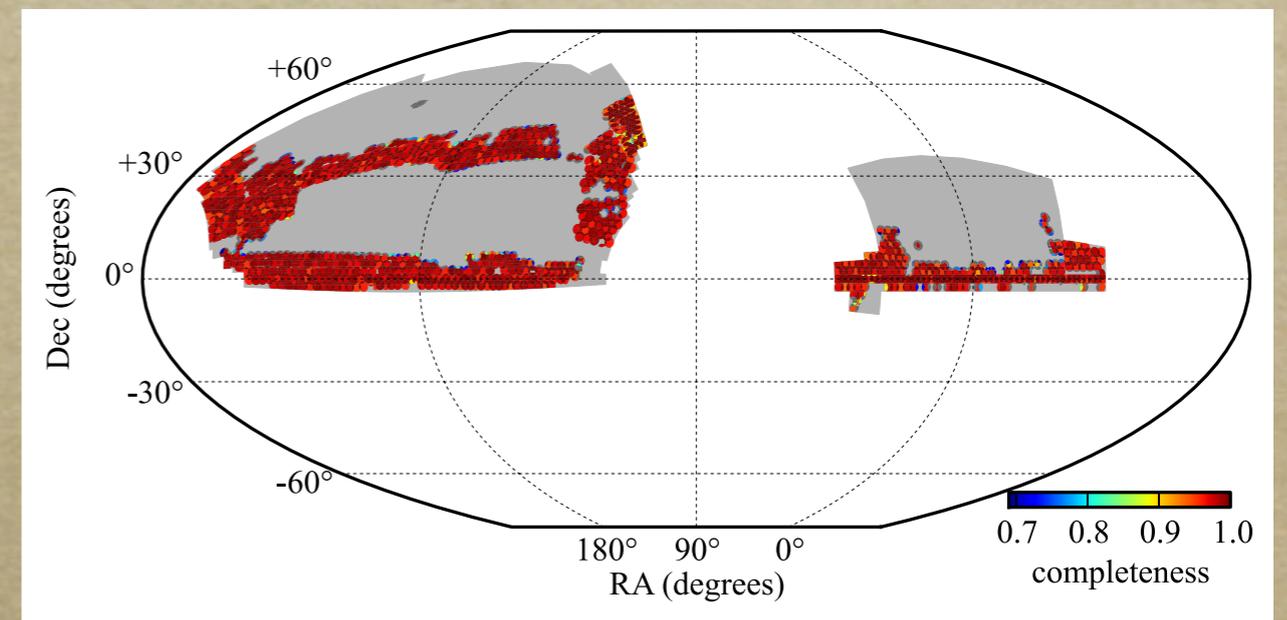
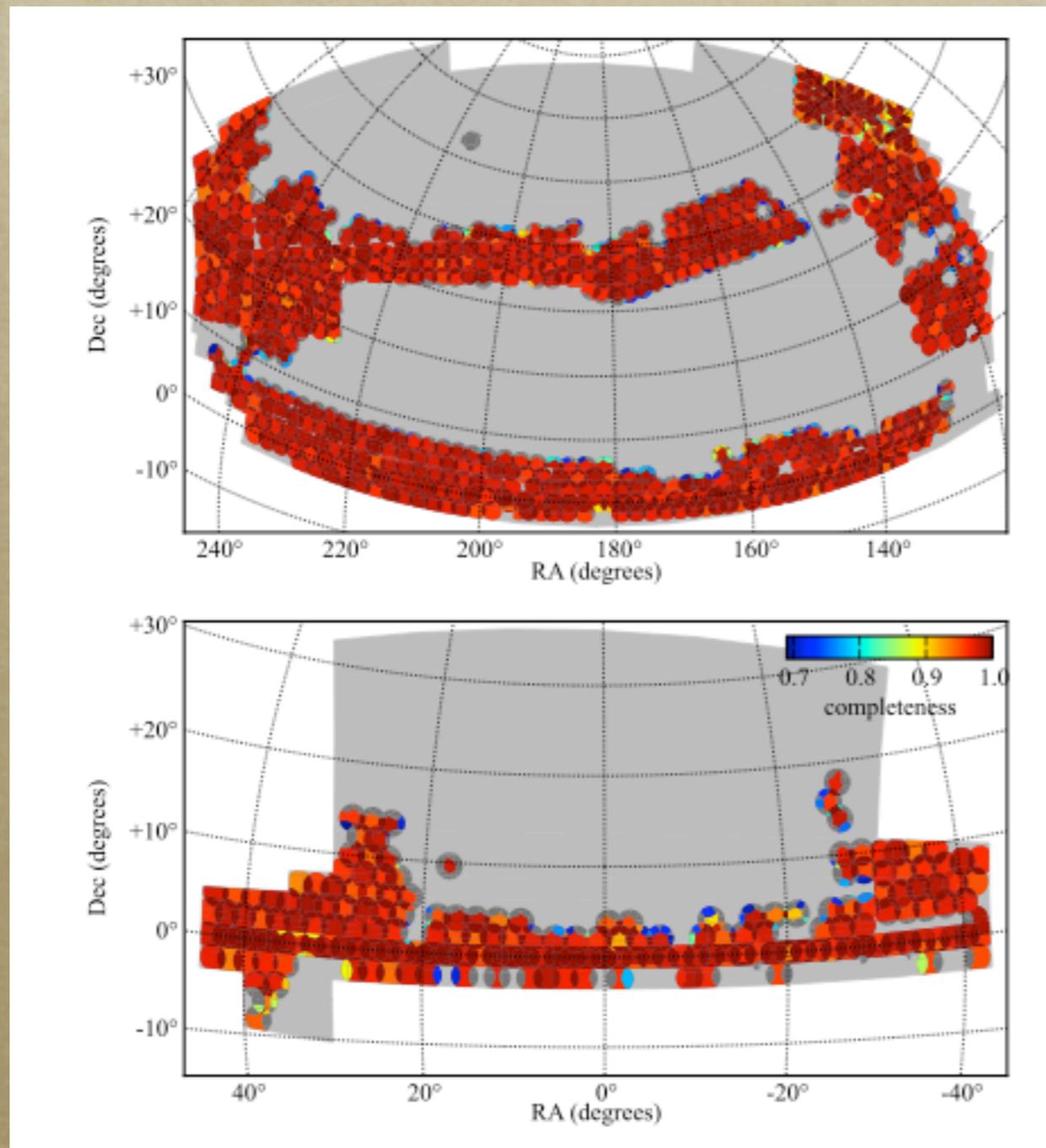
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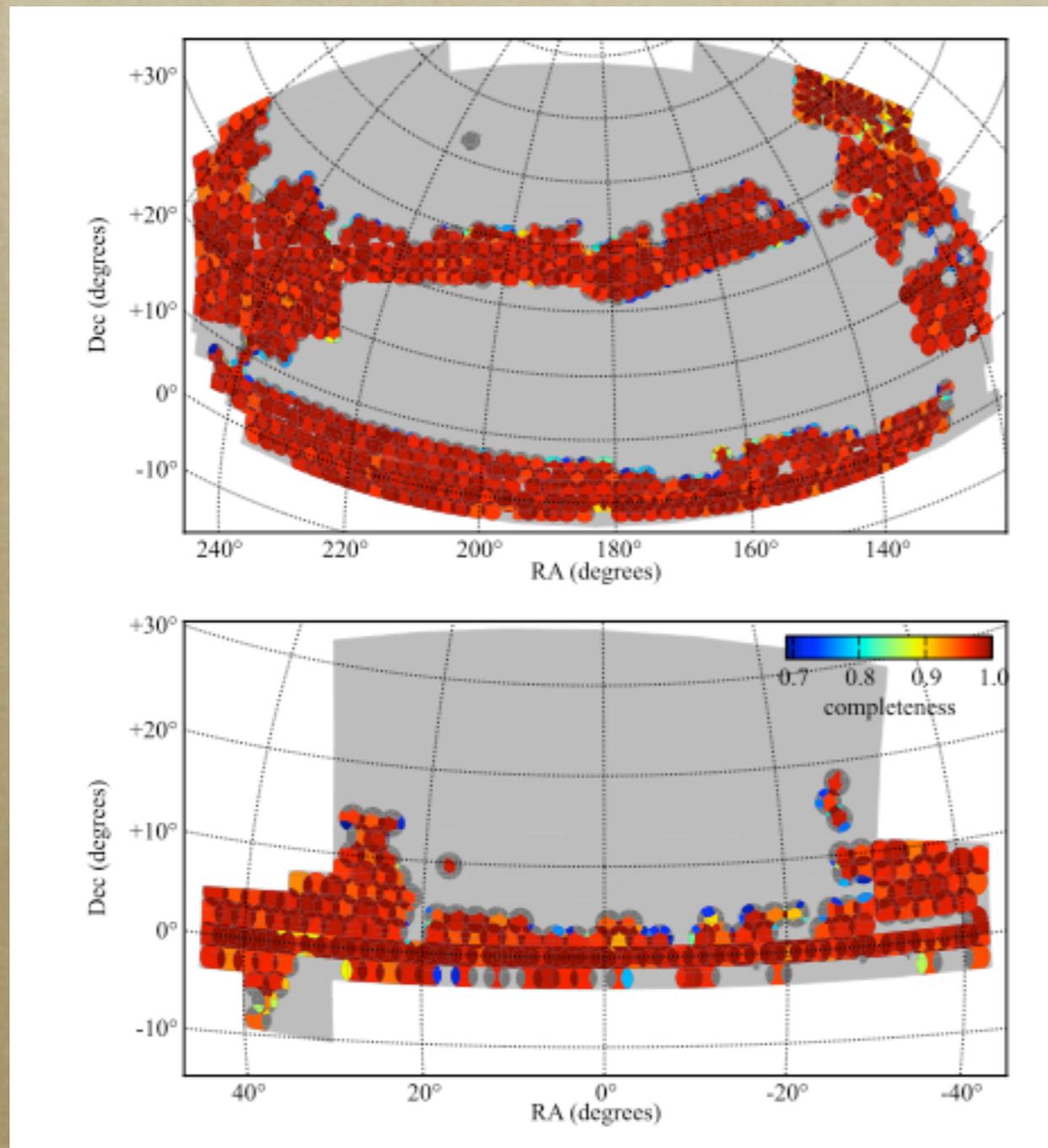
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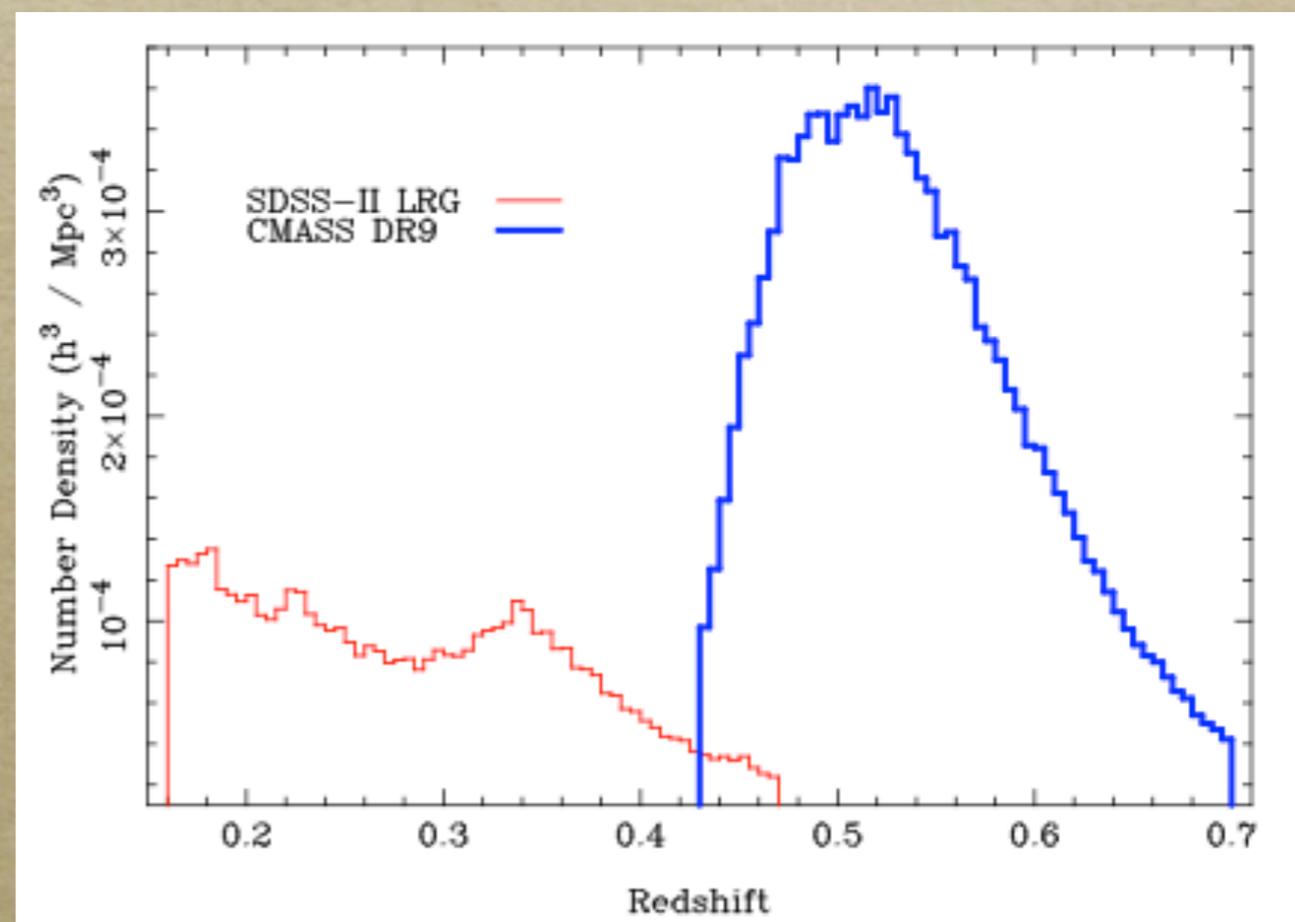
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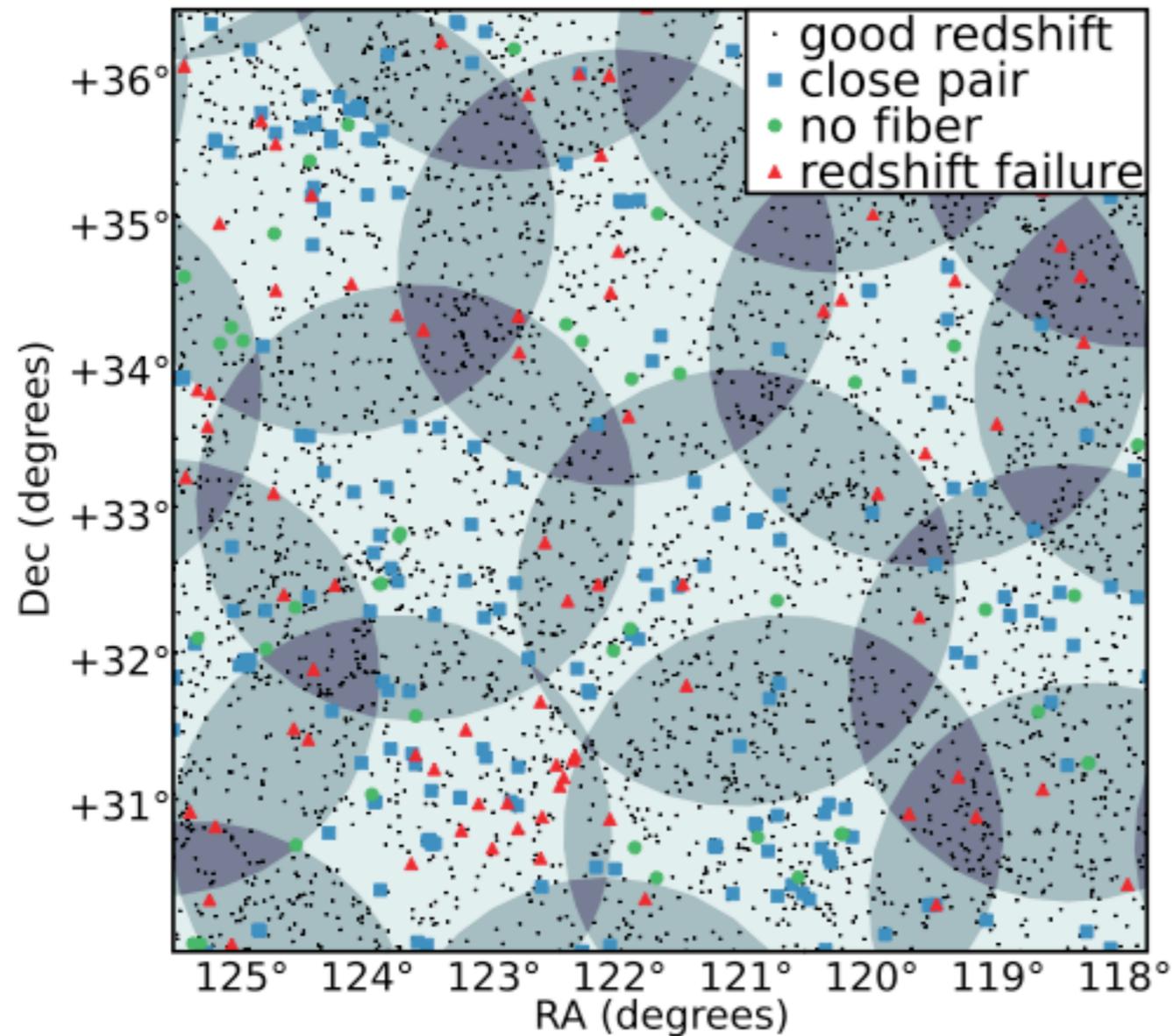
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# CMASS complenteness



*Landy-Szalay*

$$\xi(r) = \frac{DD - 2DR + RR}{RR}$$

*completeness*

$$C_{\text{red}} = \frac{N_{\text{gal}}}{N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{star}}}$$

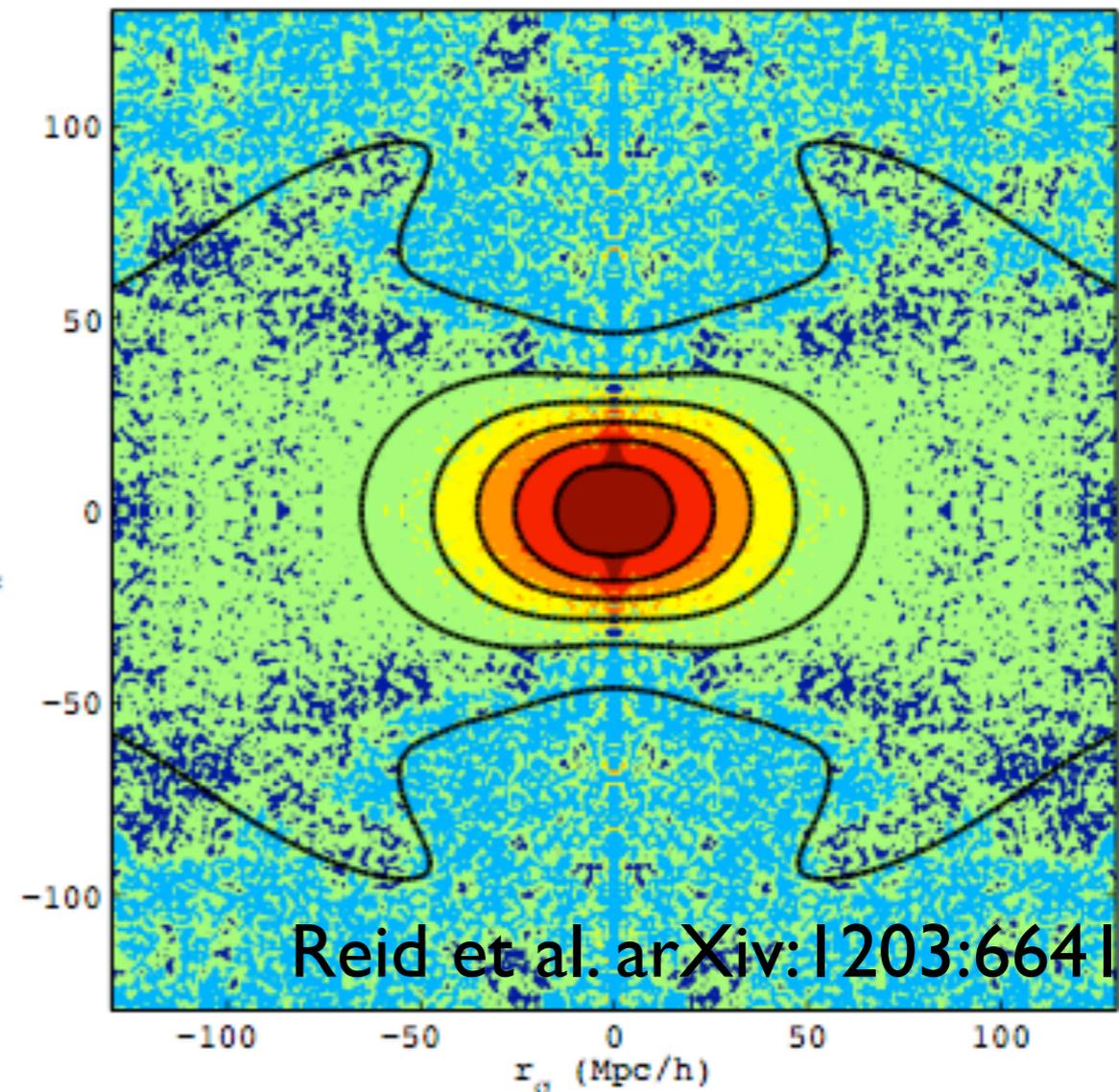
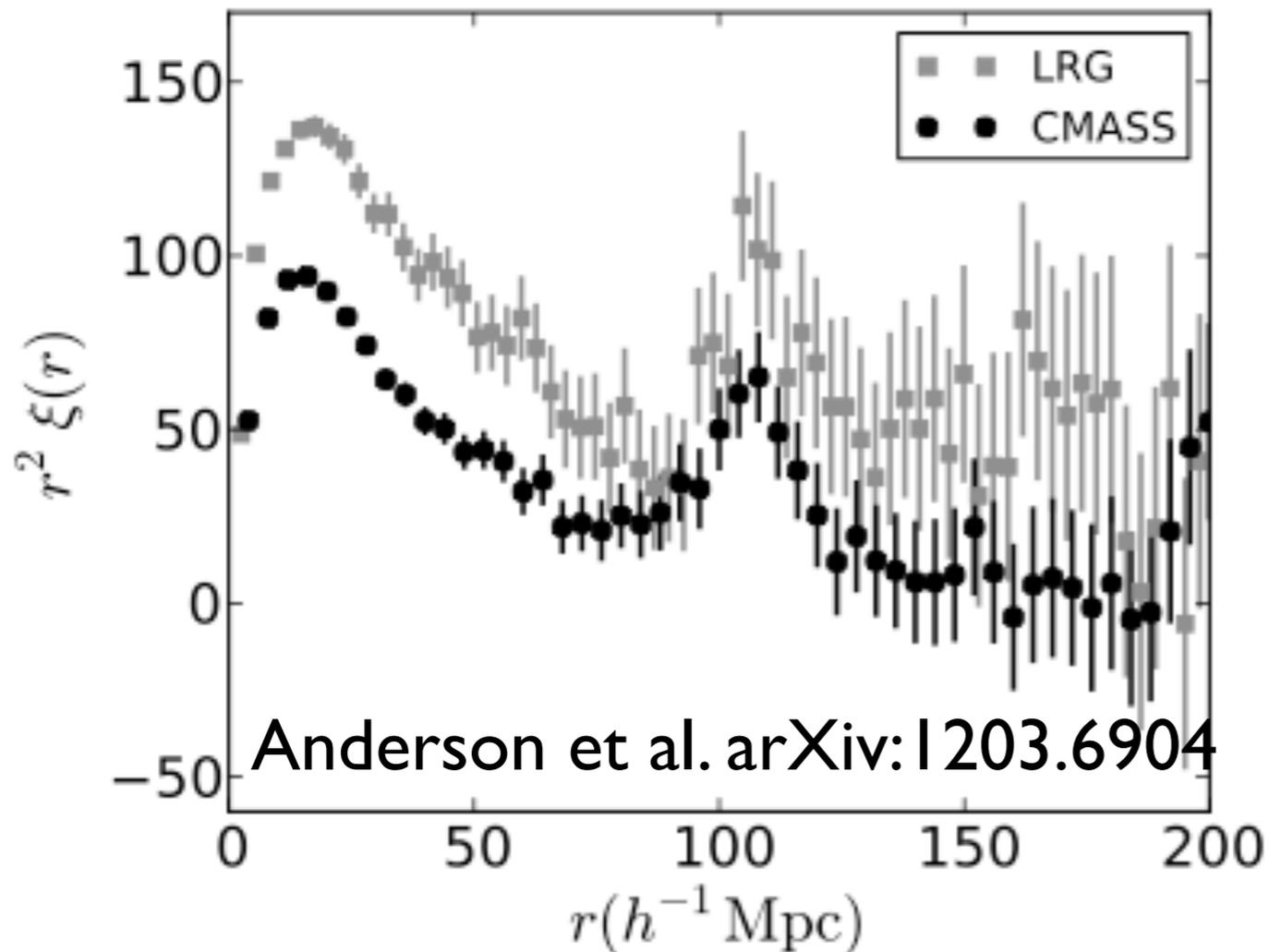
$$C_{\text{BOSS}} = \frac{N_{\text{obs}} + N_{\text{cp}}}{N_{\text{targ}} - N_{\text{known}}}$$

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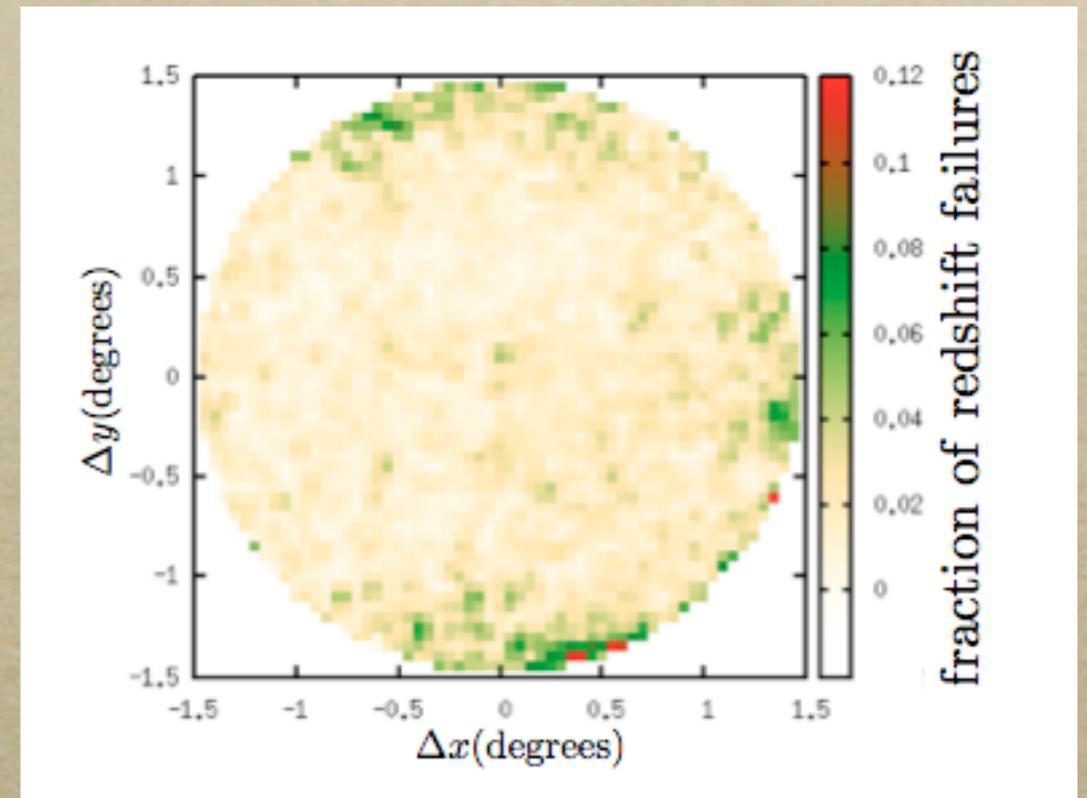
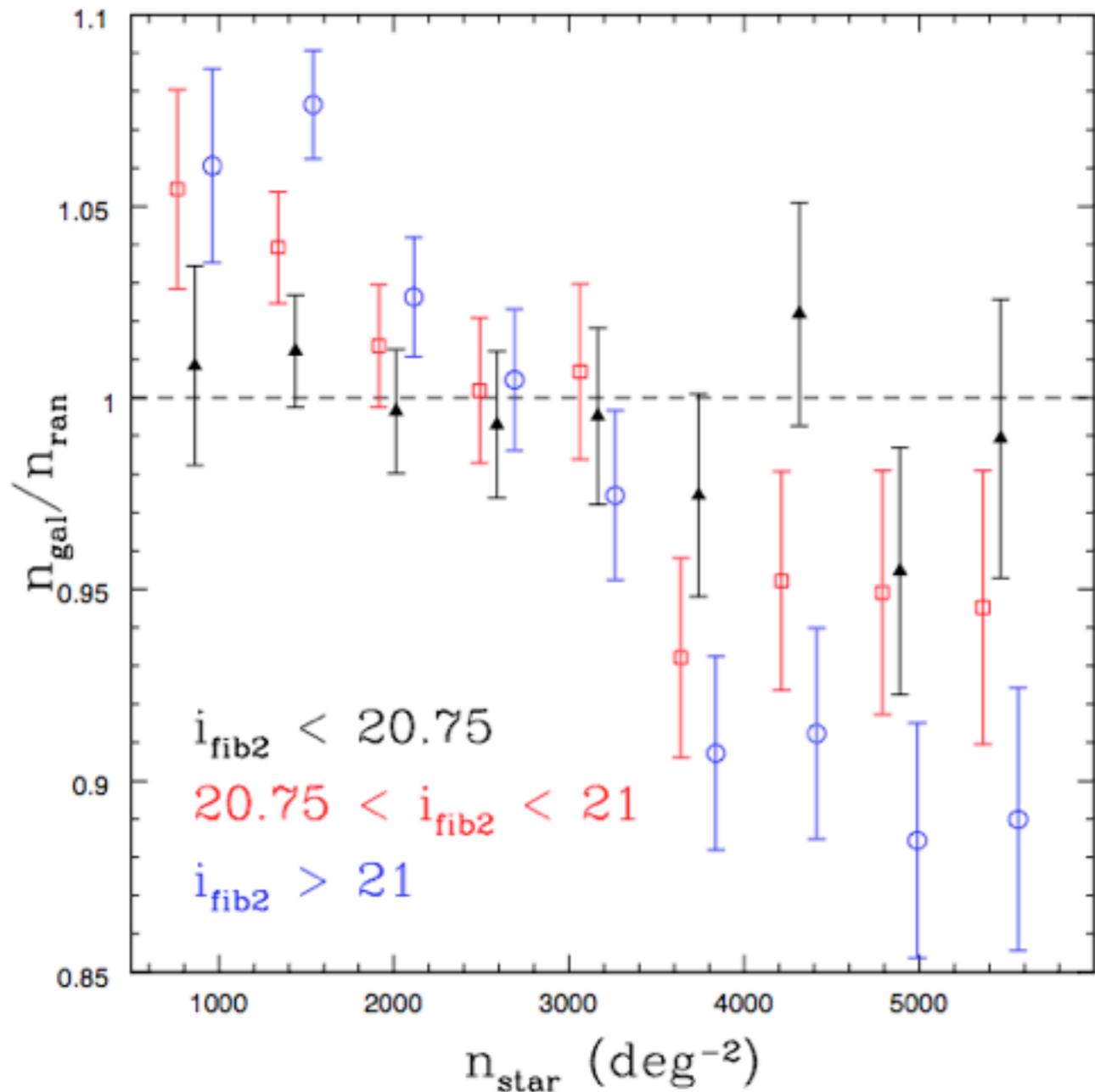
# II. Measurements and Errors

# CMASS DR9 CLUSTERING

- Largest effective volume of any individual sample  $2.2 \text{ Gpc}^3$
- Covariance from 600+ PThalos galaxy mock catalogs (Manera et al. 1203.6609)
- Demands thorough investigation of systematics (Ross et al. 1203.6499)



# SYSTEMATIC ANALYSIS

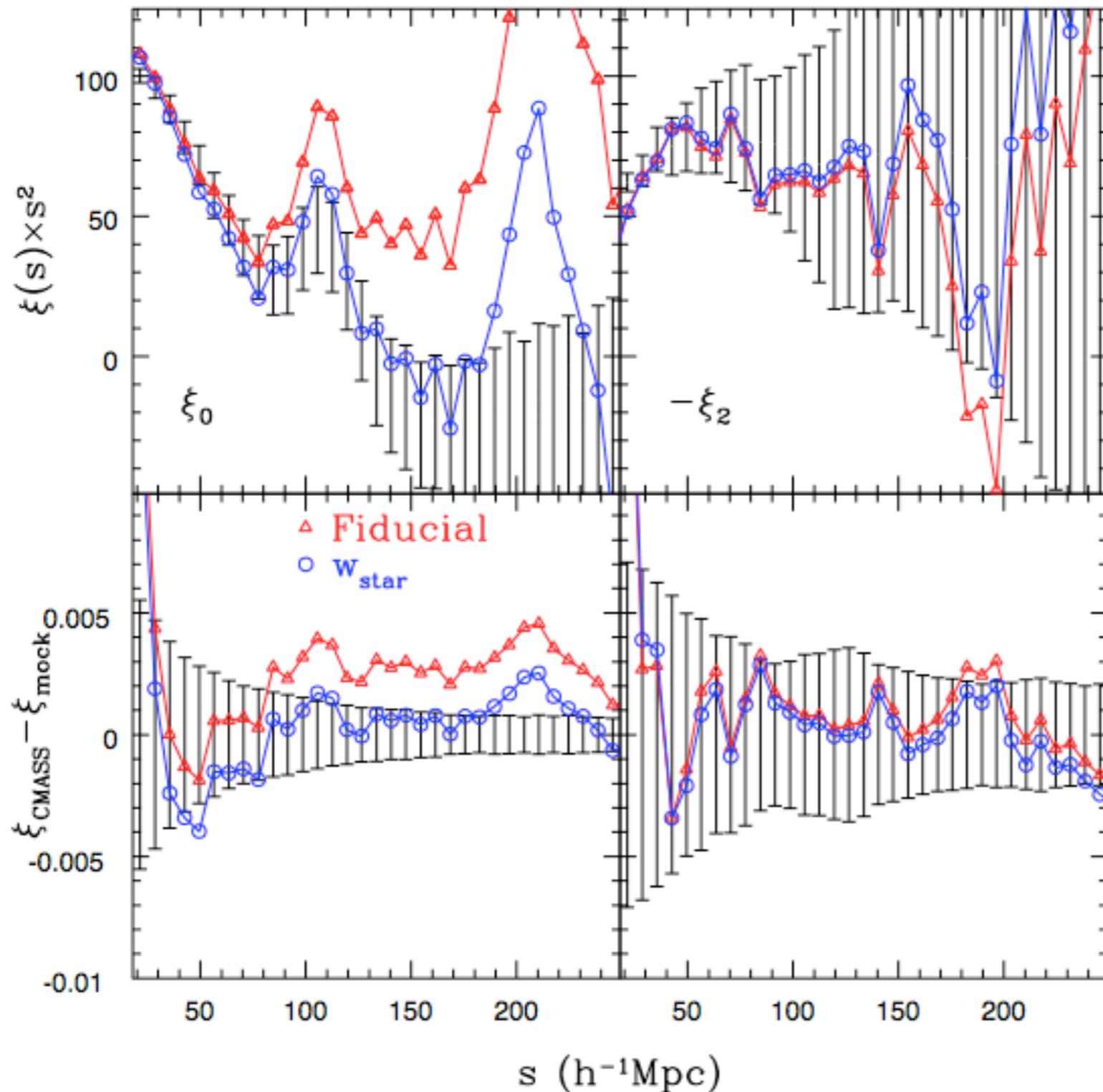


Ross et al. arXiv:1203.6499

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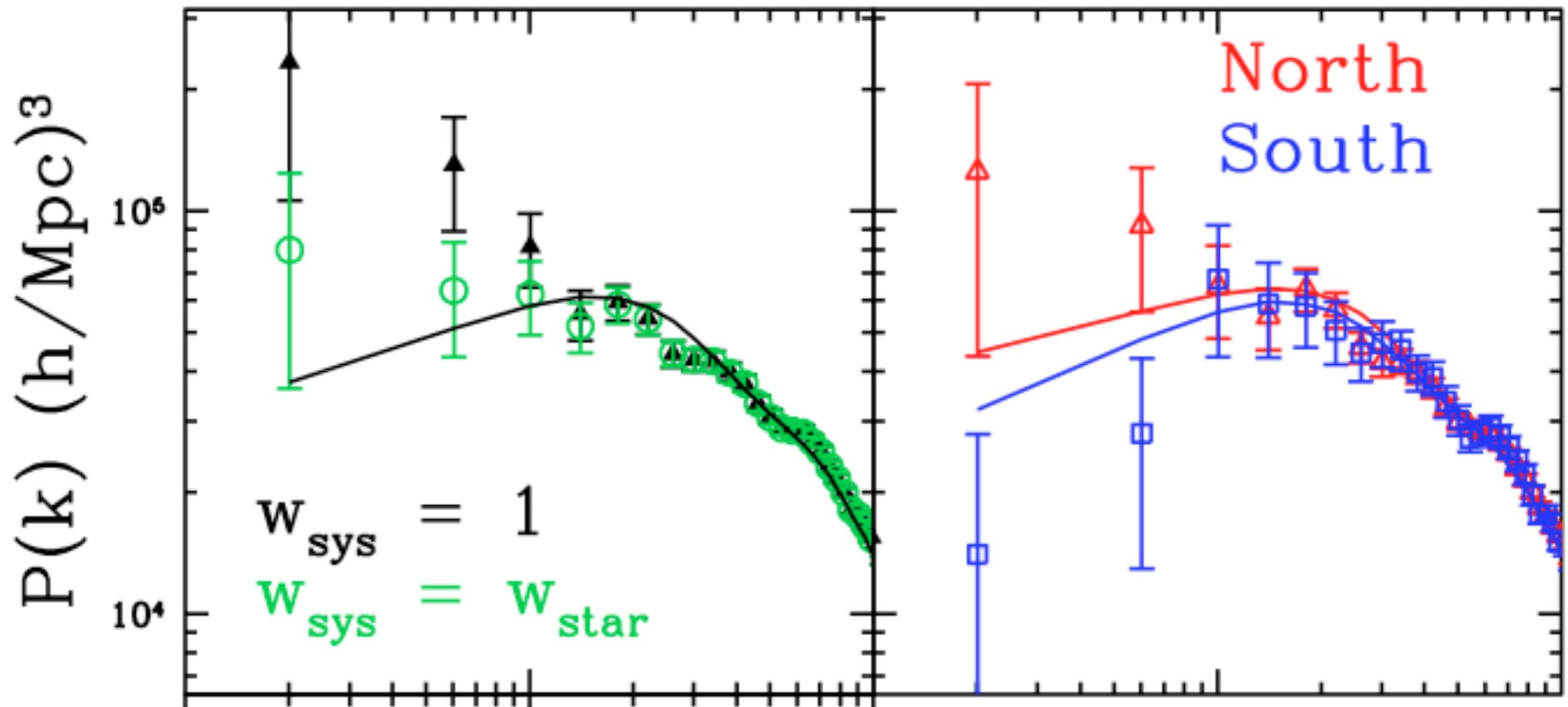
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- Most important: Correct for presence of stars via weights linear fit to  $n_g(n_{star})$  relationship

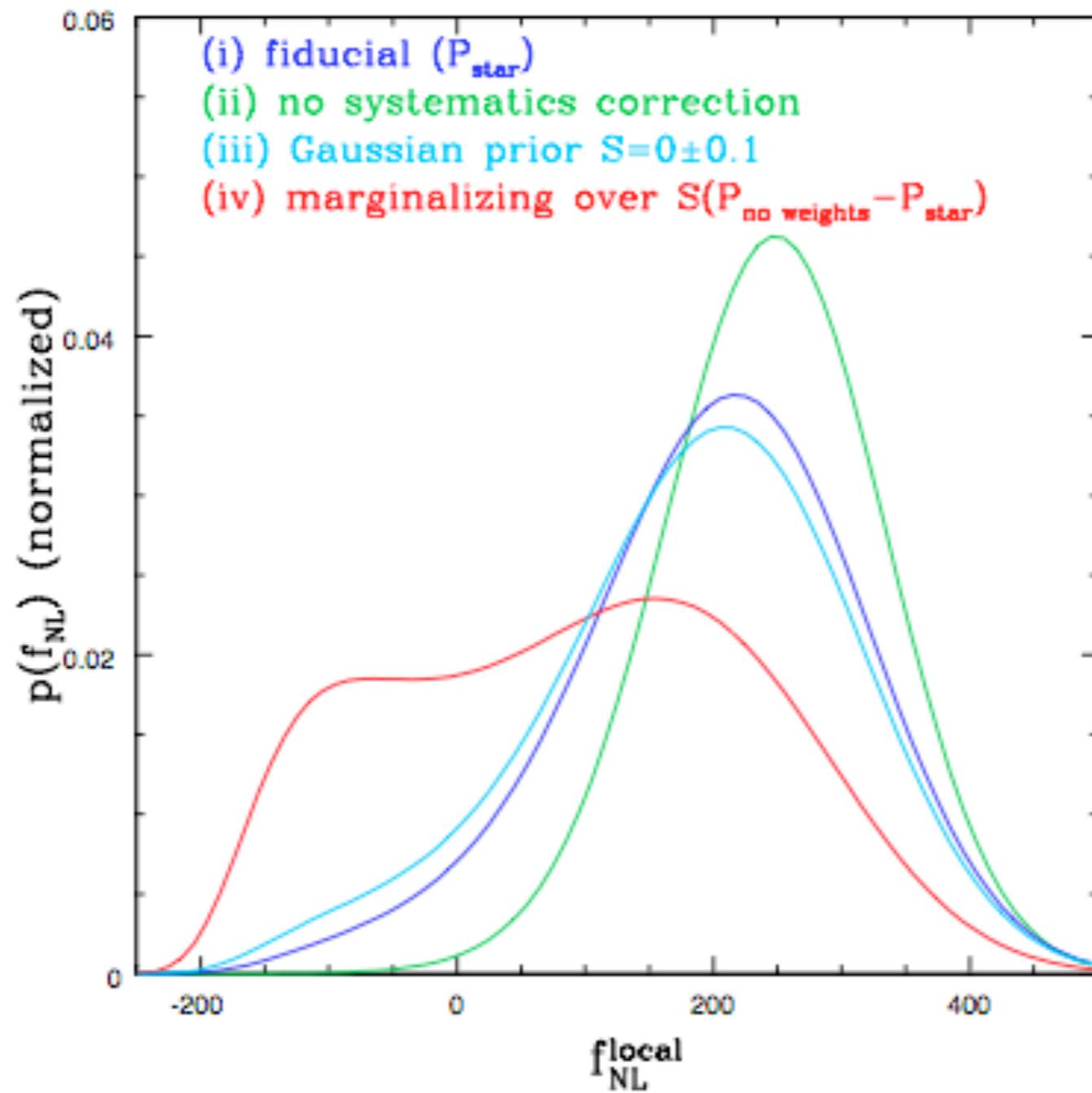
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*Ross et al. 2012*

# *PTHalos galaxy mocks - Executive Summary*

*goal: covariance matrices for LSS*

*method: (Manera et al. arXiv:1203.6609)*

*generate 2LPT dark matter field*

*populate the DM field with halos  
and halos with HOD galaxies*

*halo clustering matching NBody simulations at 10%  
HOD is chosen by fitting  $\xi(r)$  from boss galaxies*

*apply latest CMASS mask and  $n(z)$*

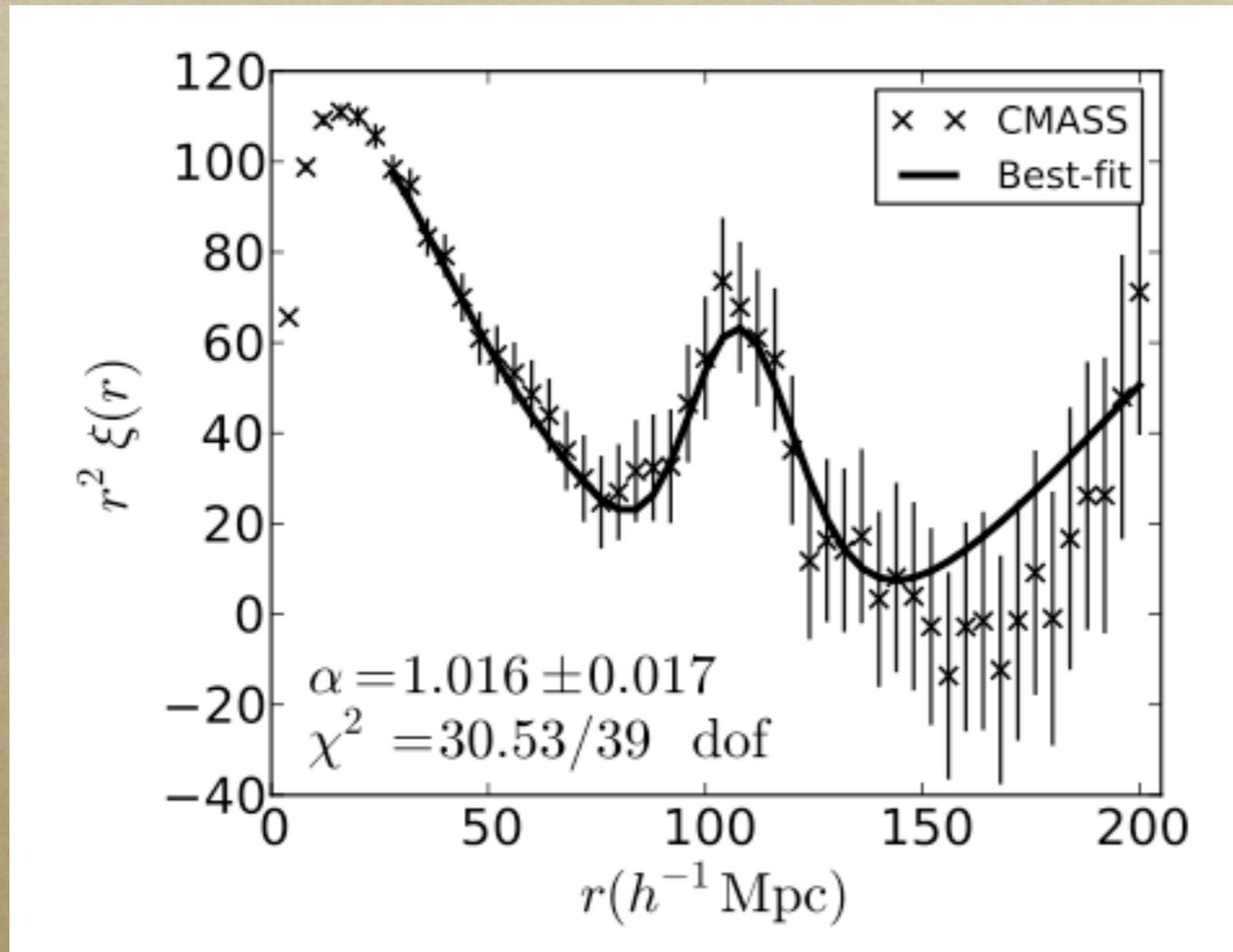
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# IV. Results (monopole)

# RESULTS

Anderson et al. arXiv:1203.6594

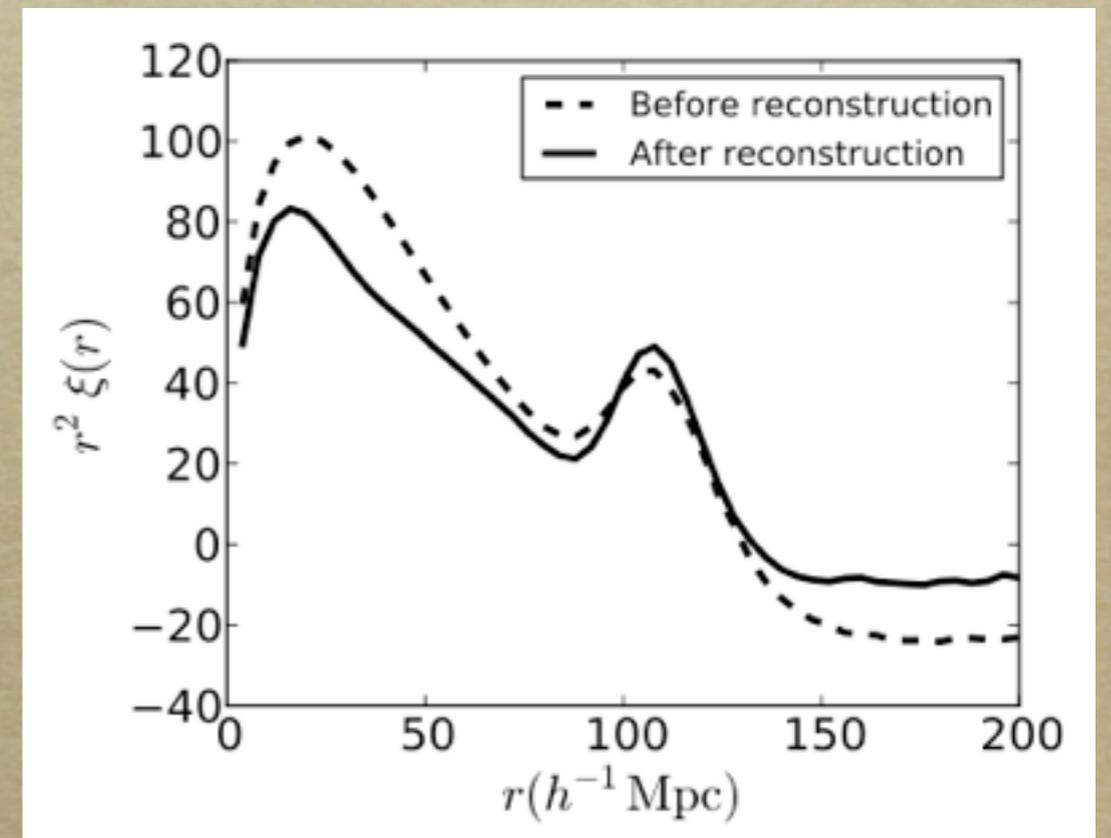
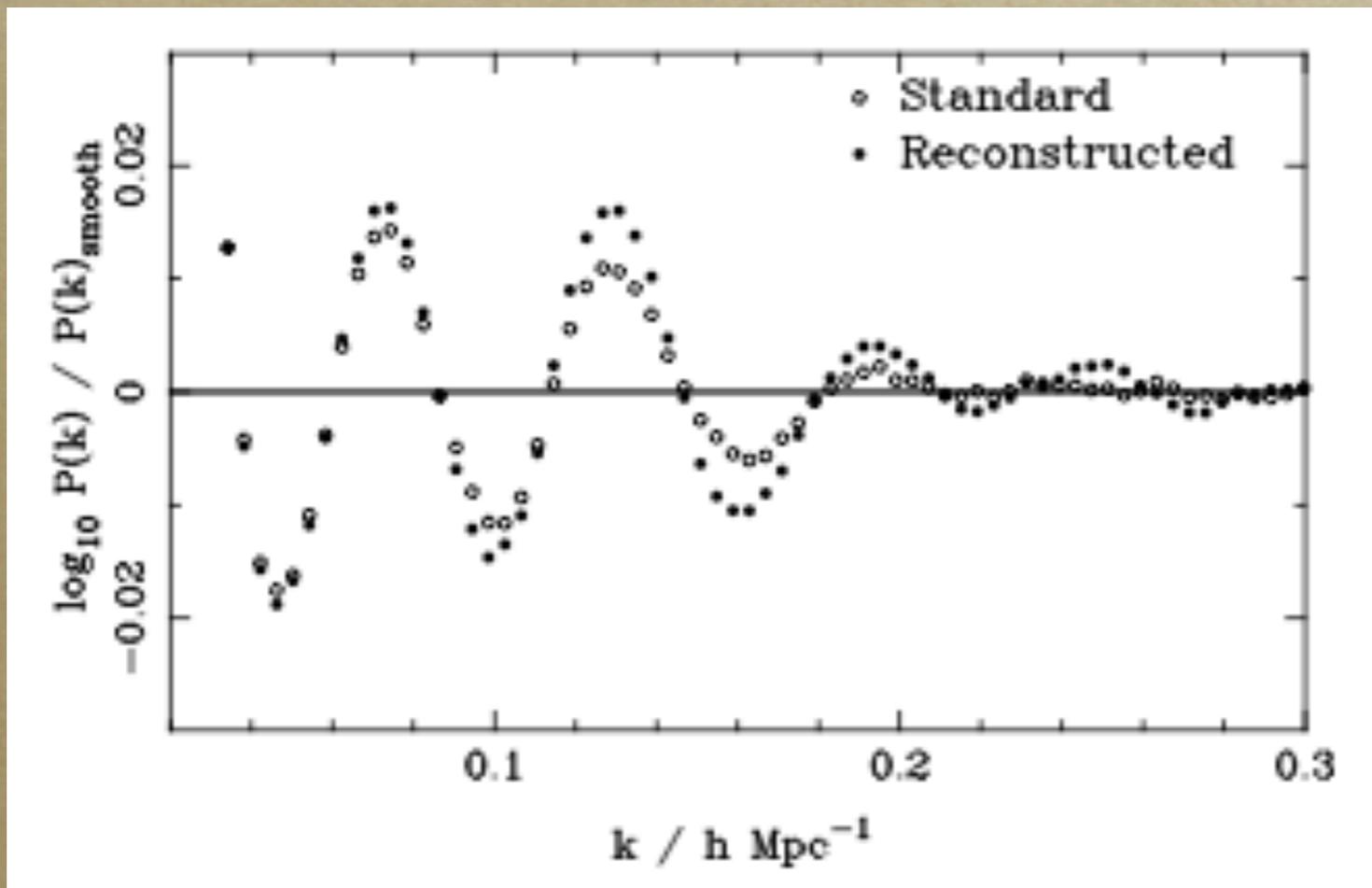


$$\xi(r) = \xi(\alpha r)_{fid} \quad \alpha = \frac{(D_V/r_s)}{(D_V/r_s)_{fid}} \quad D_V \equiv \left[ \frac{cz(1+z)^2 D_A^2}{H(z)} \right]^{1/3}$$

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# Reconstruction

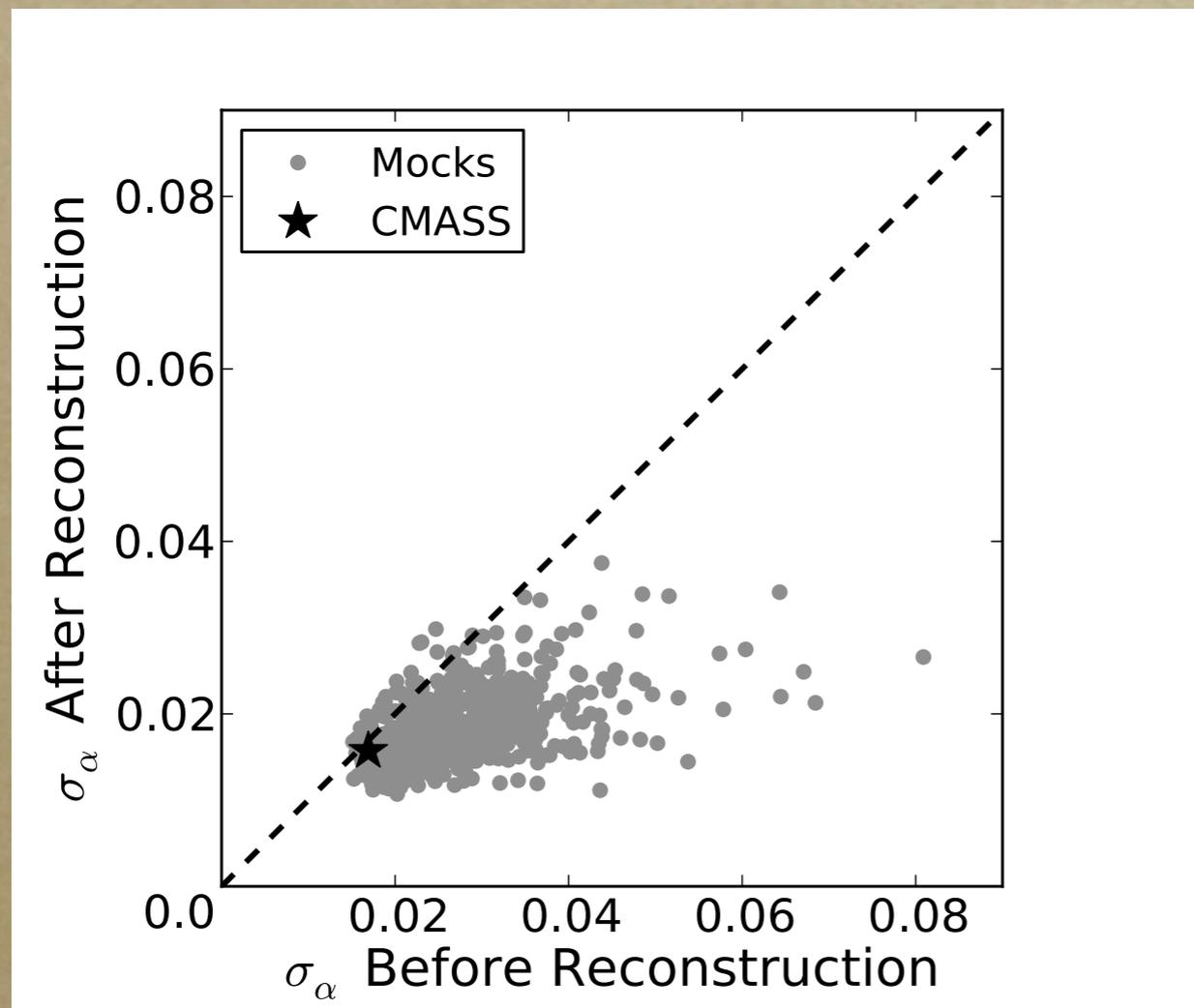
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see Eisenstein et al. 2007, Padmanabhan 2012
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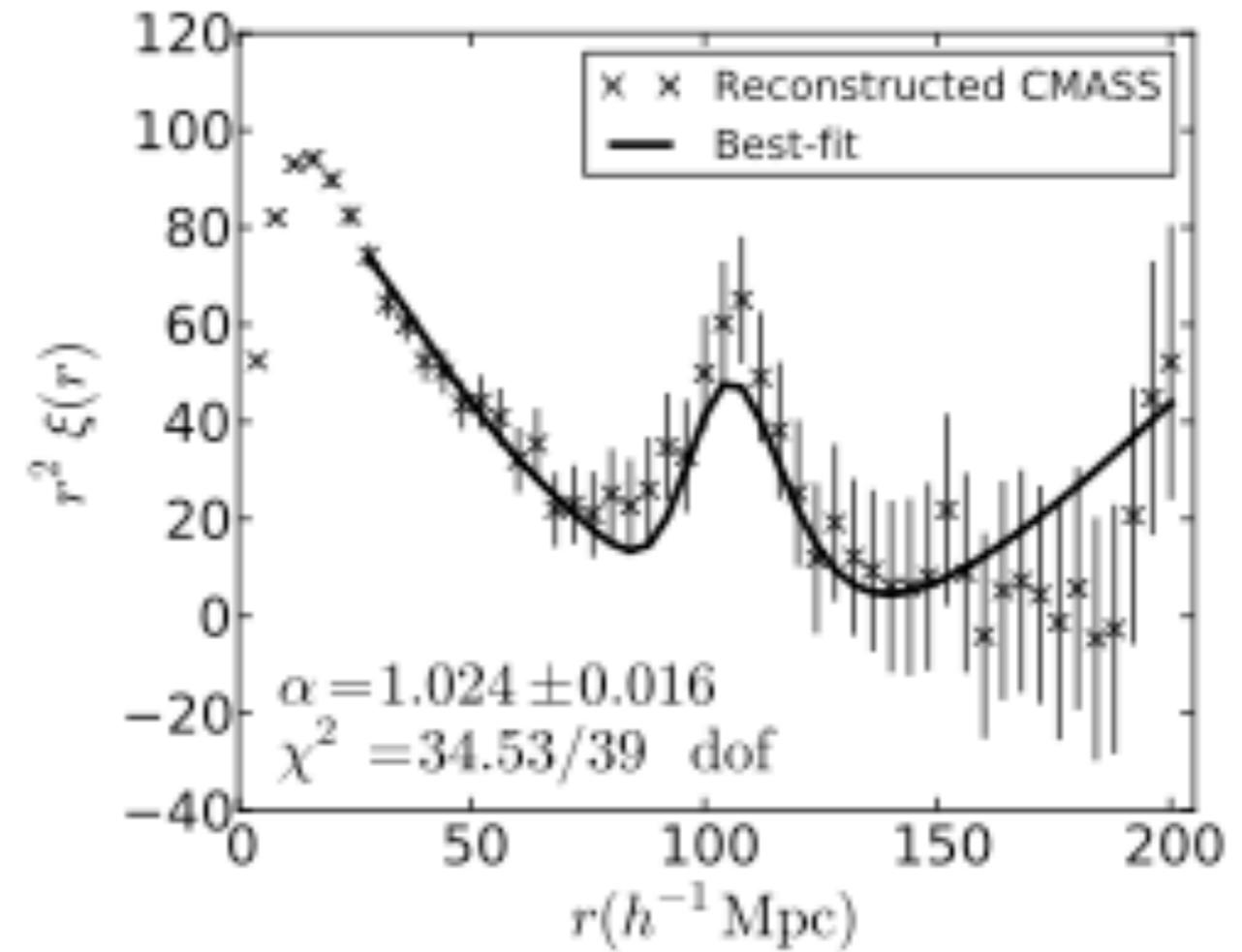
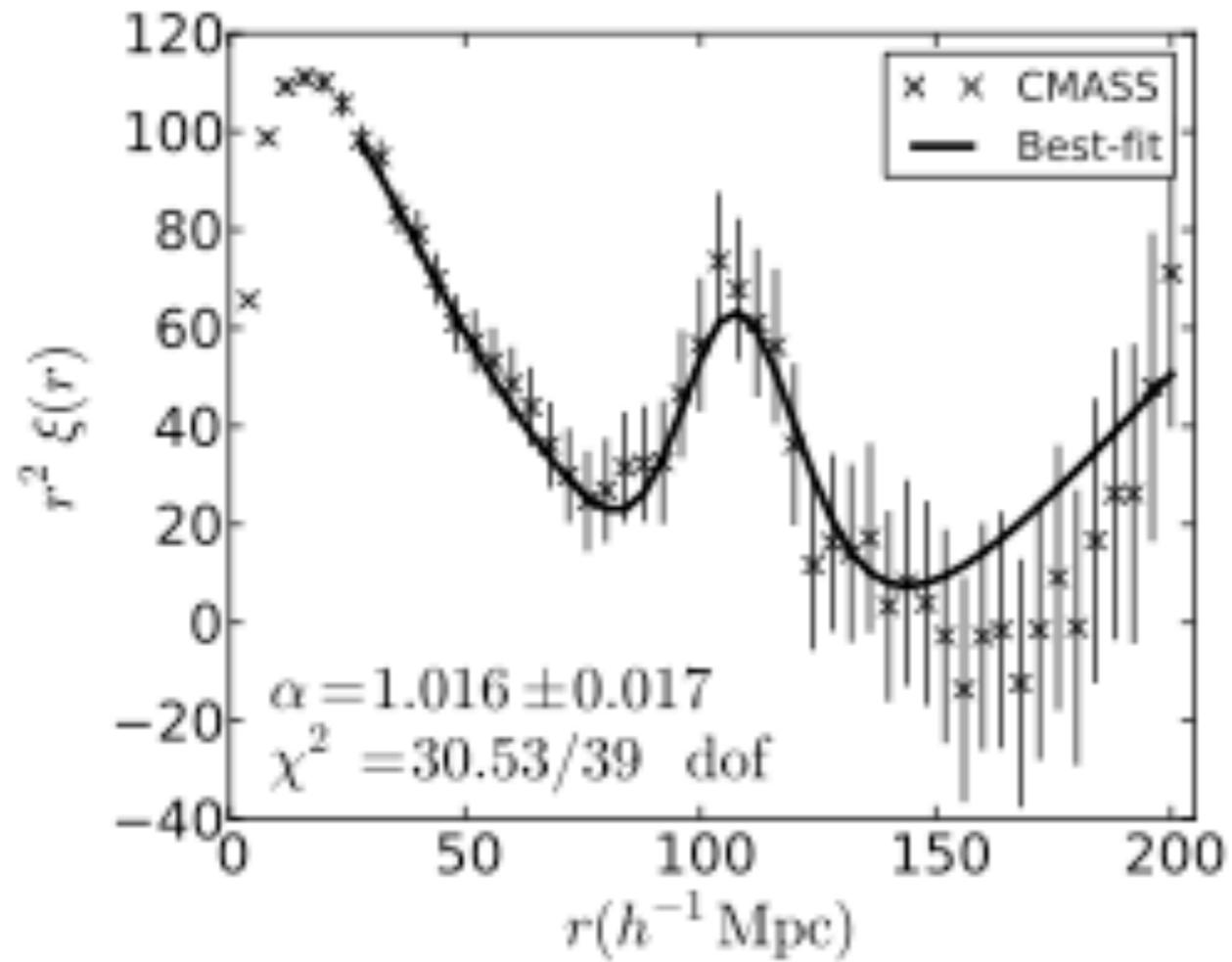
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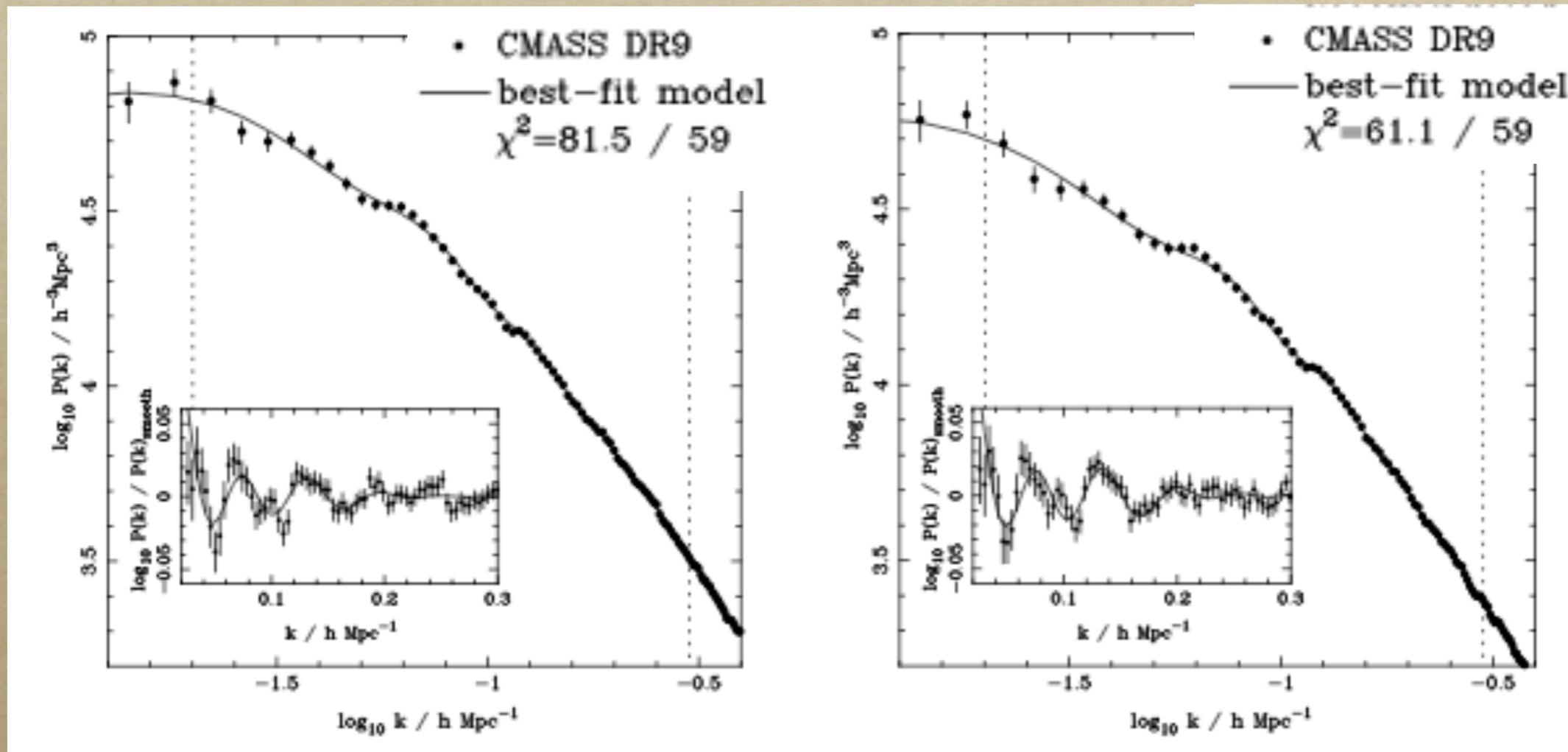
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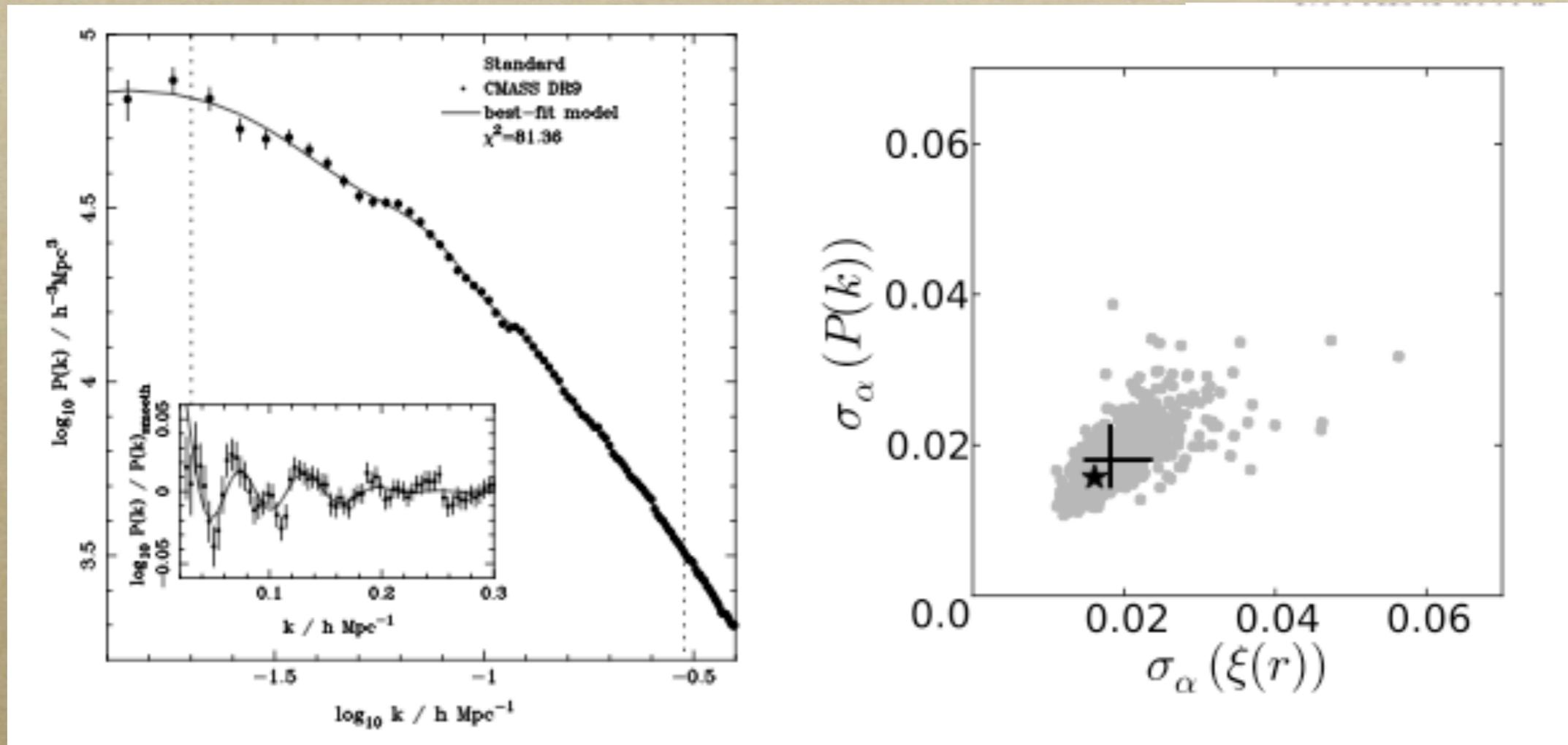
$$\alpha = 1.022 \pm 0.017$$

$$\alpha = 1.042 \pm 0.016$$

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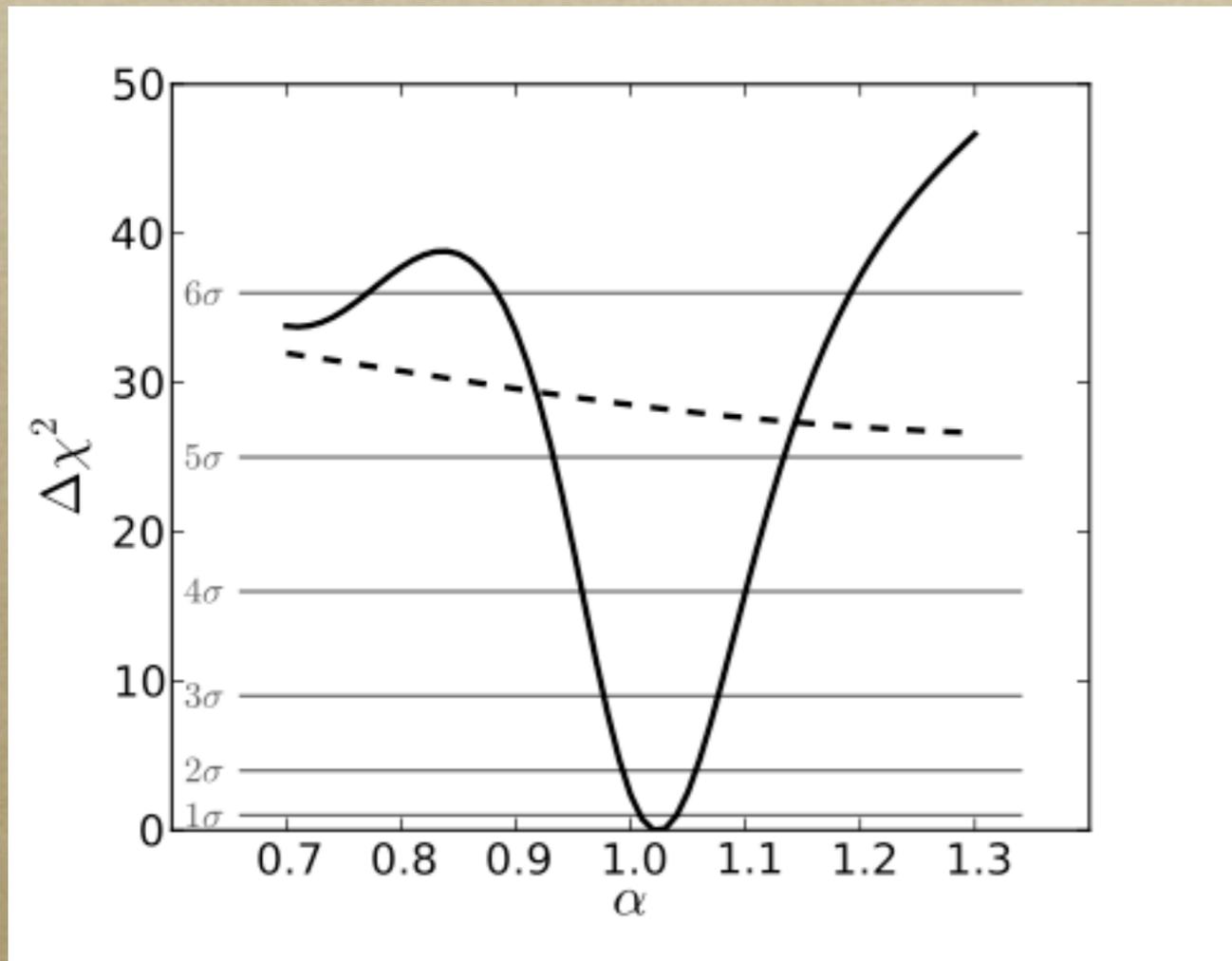
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# RESULTS: BAO SCALE



$$\chi^2(\alpha) = [\vec{d} - \vec{m}(\alpha)]^T C^{-1} [\vec{d} - \vec{m}(\alpha)],$$

$$D_V(0.57)/r_s = 13.67 \pm 0.22$$

$$D_V(0.57) = 2094 \pm 0.34$$

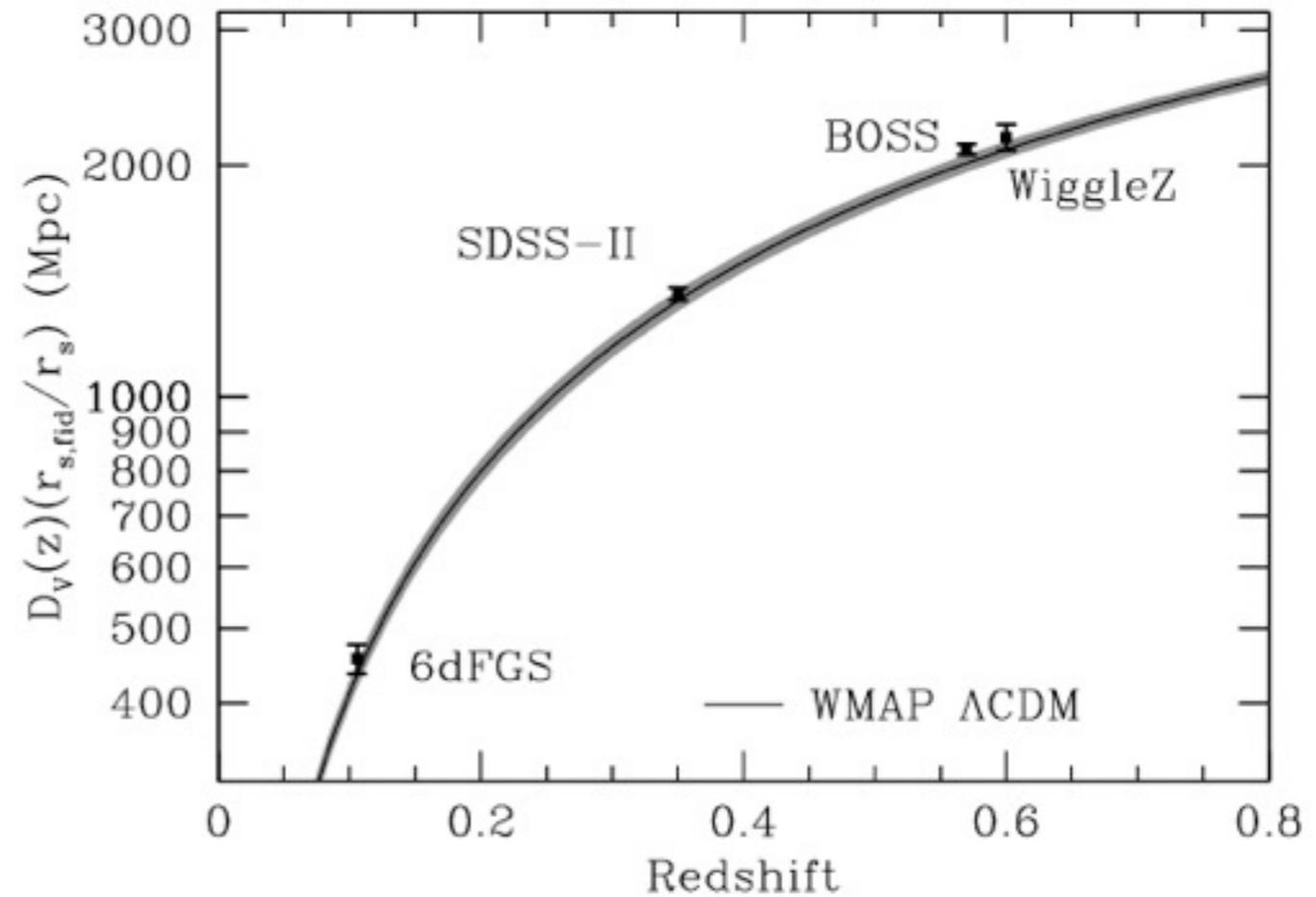
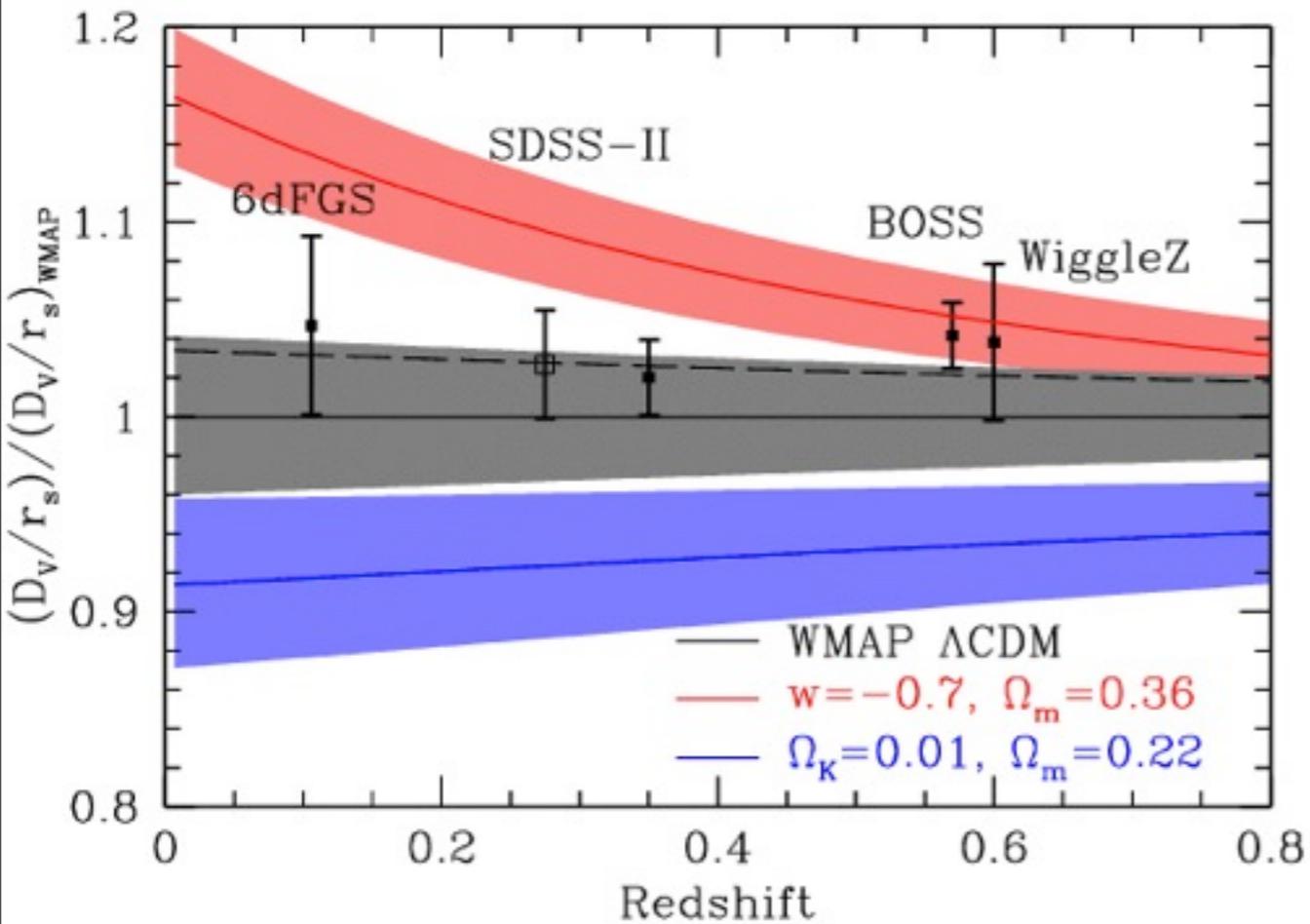
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- Anderson et al. 1203:6594
- 5 $\sigma$  detection!
- <2% uncertainty on BAO position measurements
- Robust to systematics: ignore corrections; < 0.1 $\sigma$  change
- Differences between P and xi consistent with expectations from mocks
- Consensus:

$$\alpha = 1.033 \pm 0.017$$

$$\Omega_M = 0.274 \quad \Omega_L = 0.726 \quad \Omega_b = 0.0457$$

$$h = 0.7 \quad \sigma_8 = 0.8 \quad n_s = 0.95$$

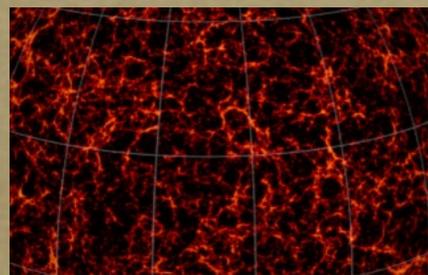


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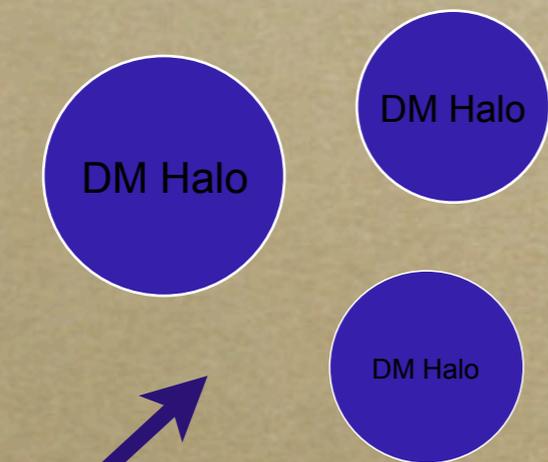
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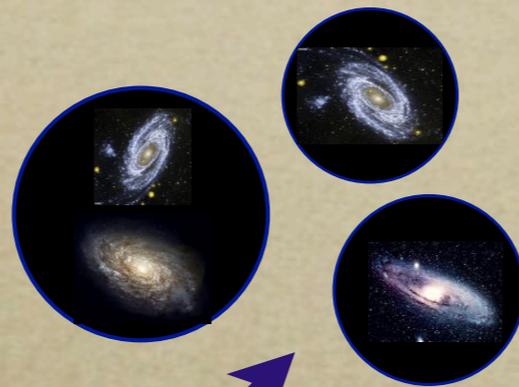
# Galaxy Mocks In Steps



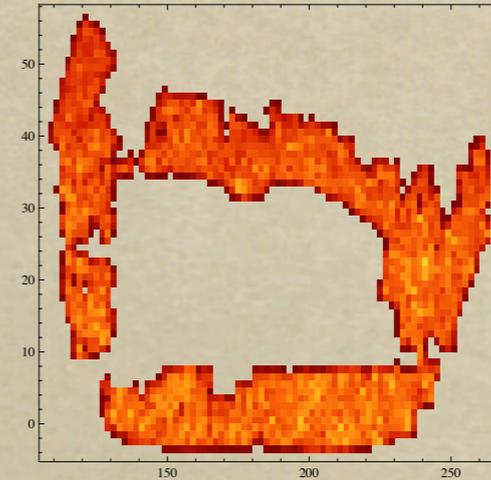
*Dark Matter field*



*Halo field*



*Galaxy field*



*Mask and geometry*

# *matter: 2LPT*

- ▶ *2LPT is very fast ( < 5min per run)*
- ▶ *Better than linear, good at large scales.*
- ▶ *We are trading accuracy versus number of runs*
- ▶ *Already used to generate mocks*

*(see first PTHalo paper Scoccimarro & Sheth 2002)*

- ▶ *We use initial  $P(k)$  from CAMB*
- ▶ *Shell crossing reduced by means of a cut off inspired by RPT.*
- ▶ *600+ runs*
- ▶  *$N=1280^3$   $L=2400$  Mpc/h*
  
- ▶ *We can compare with simulations to calibrate.*

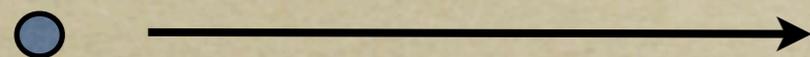


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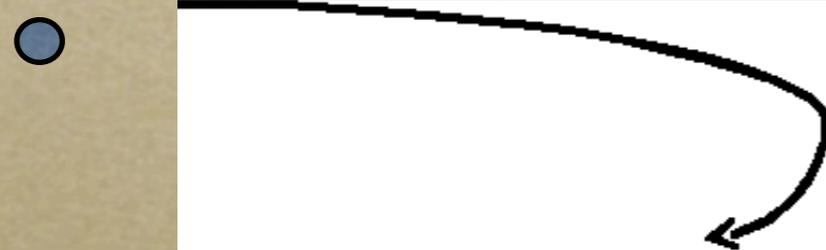


*SCIAMA, Portsmouth*

# 2LPT 2nd Order Lagrangian Perturbation Theory



$$\vec{x} = \vec{q} + \vec{\Psi}(\vec{q})$$



$$\vec{\Psi} = \vec{\Psi}^{(1)} + \vec{\Psi}^{(2)} + \dots$$

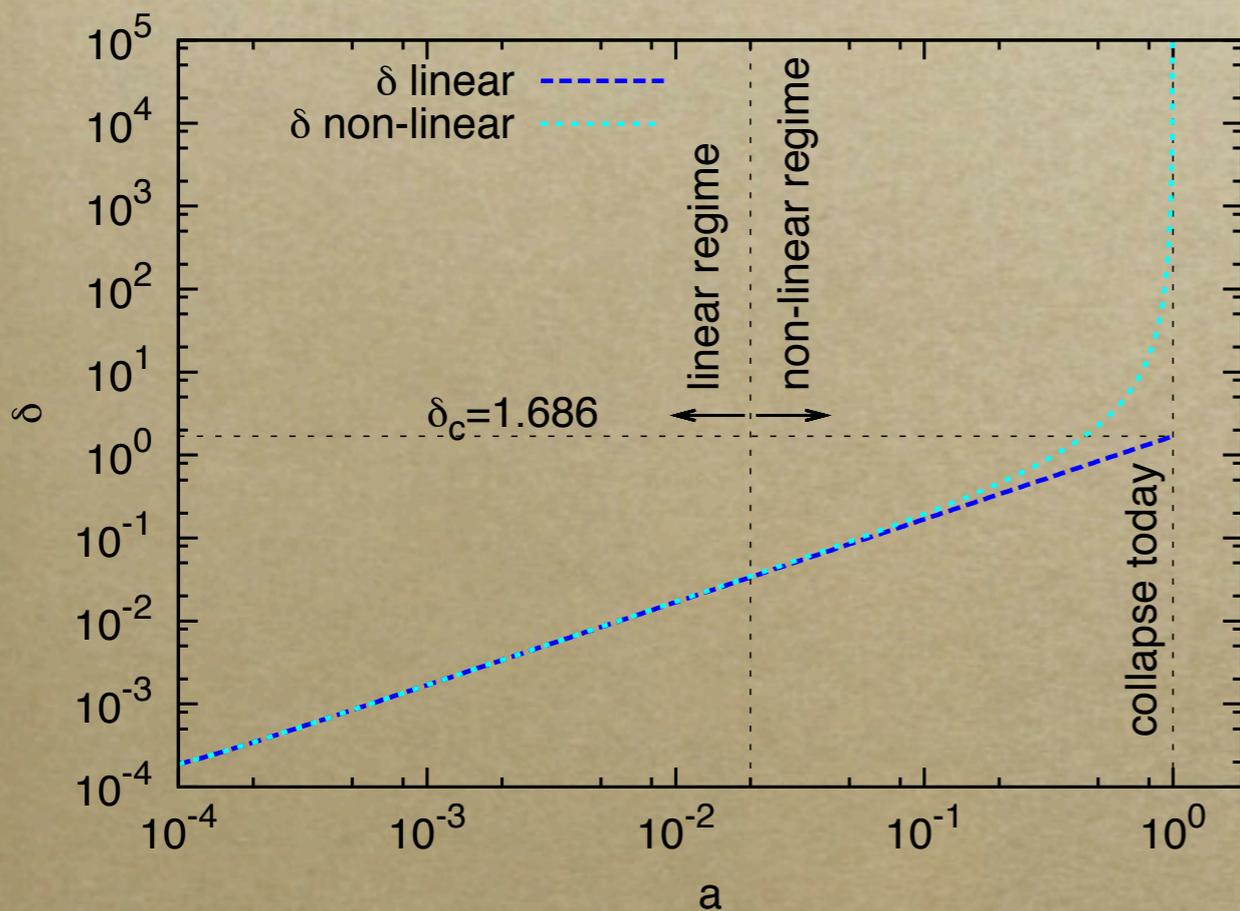
*solve it at second order*

- *Note: 2LPT used to set IC for N-Body simulations. Relevant because otherwise transients have a significant effect in both  $P(k)$  and  $n(m)$ .*

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dr^2} + \mathcal{H}(\tau) \frac{dx}{dr} = \nabla \Phi$$

# Clustering in 2LPT is different than N-Body

*Eulerian (NBody)*



$$\delta_l = 1.686 \rightarrow \delta_{NL} = 200$$

*Lagrangian (2LPT)*

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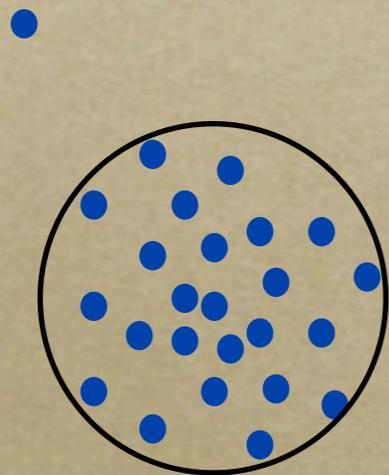
$$\delta_{2LPT} = \frac{1}{\text{Det} \left( 1 + \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial q_j} \right)} - 1$$

$$\delta_{2LPT} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\delta_0}{3} (D_1 - \frac{\delta_0}{3} D_2)} - 1$$

$$\delta_l = 1.686 \rightarrow \delta_{NL} = 34$$

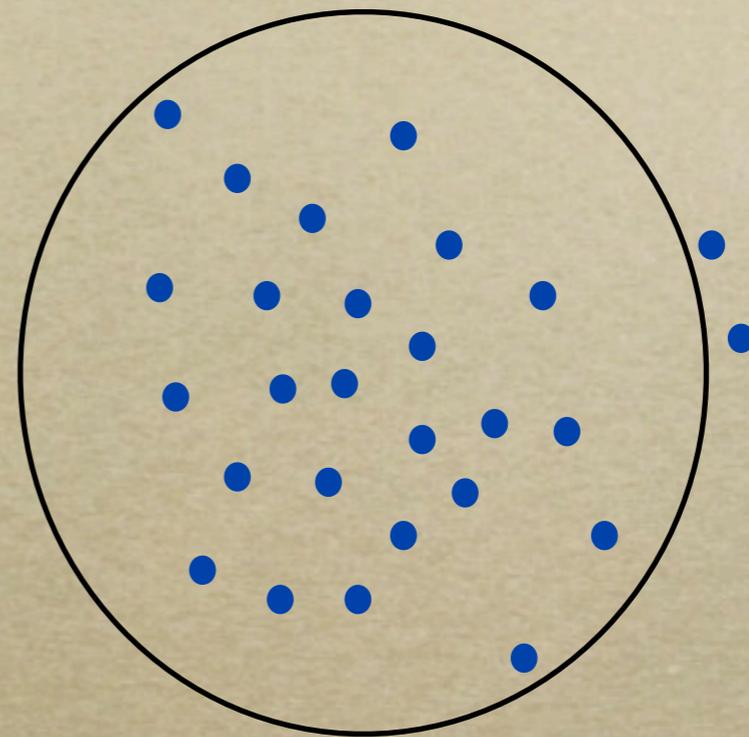
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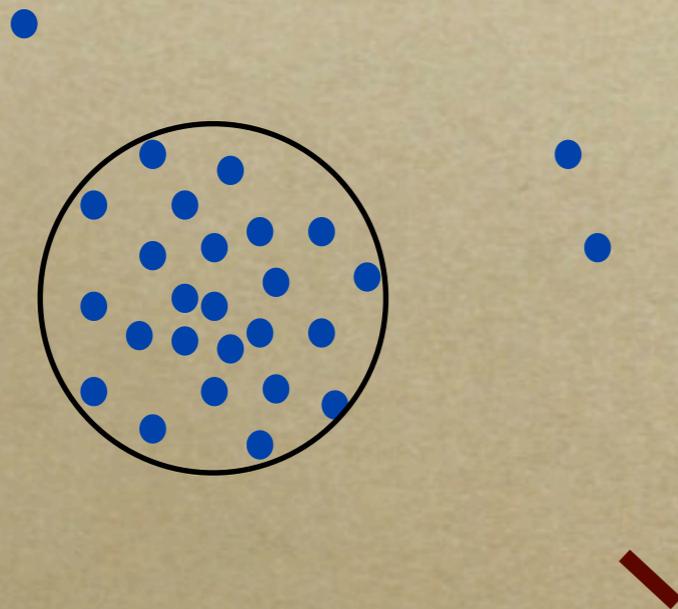
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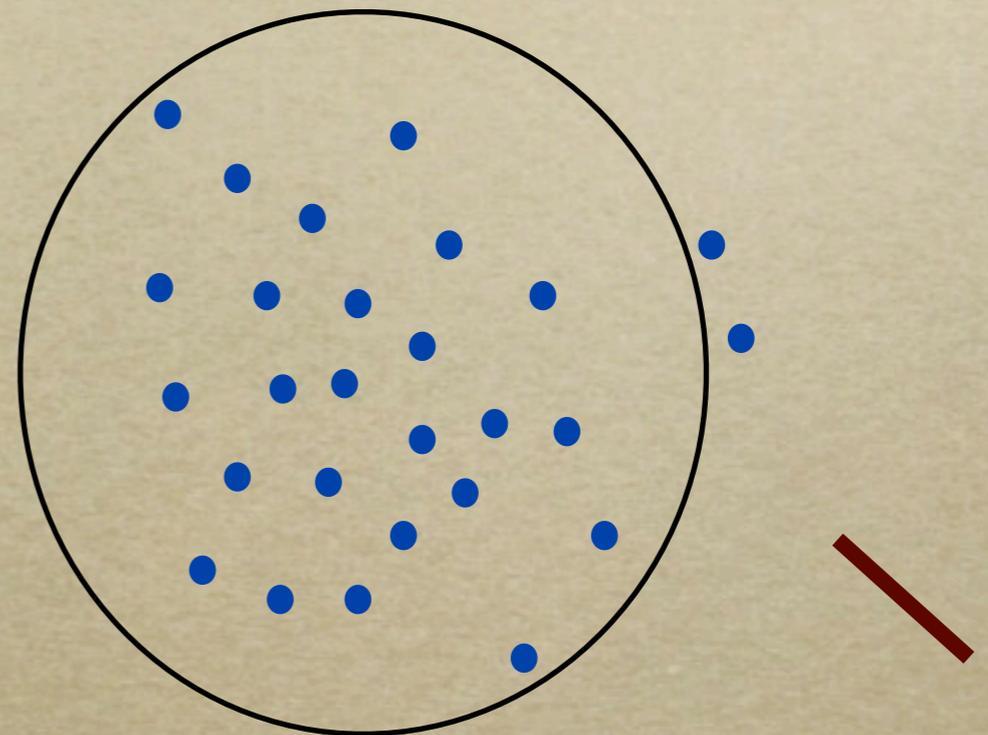
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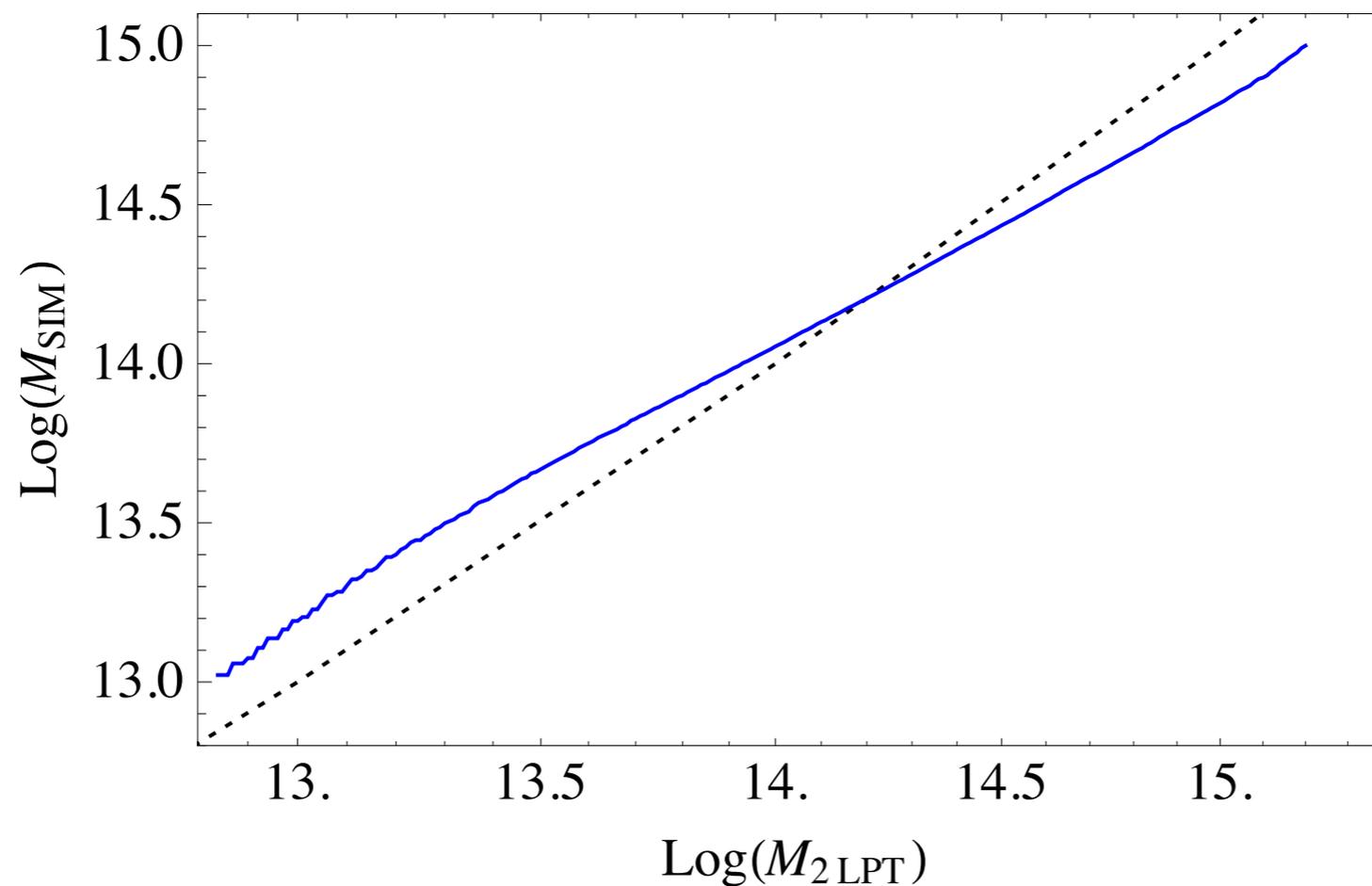
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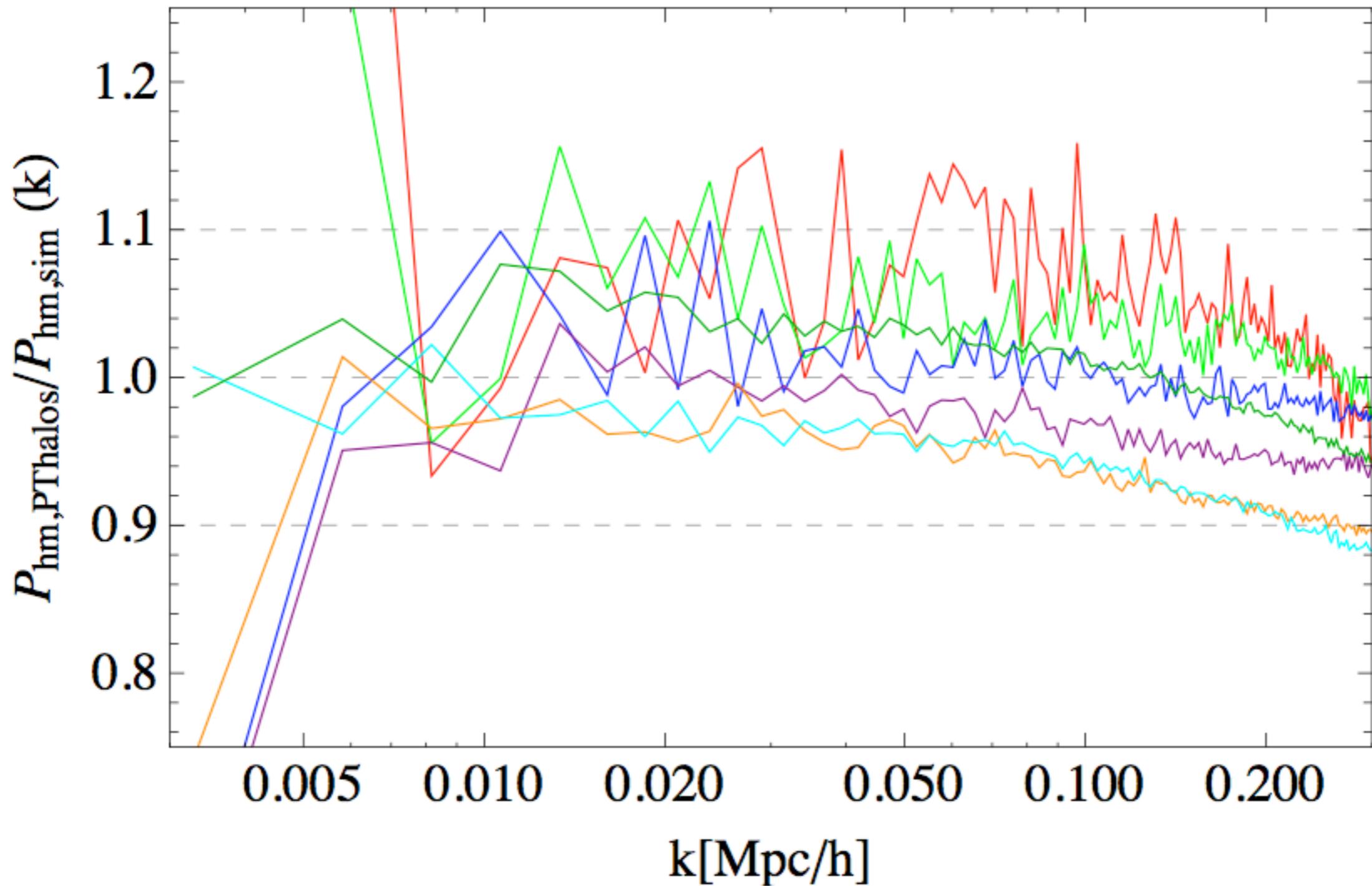
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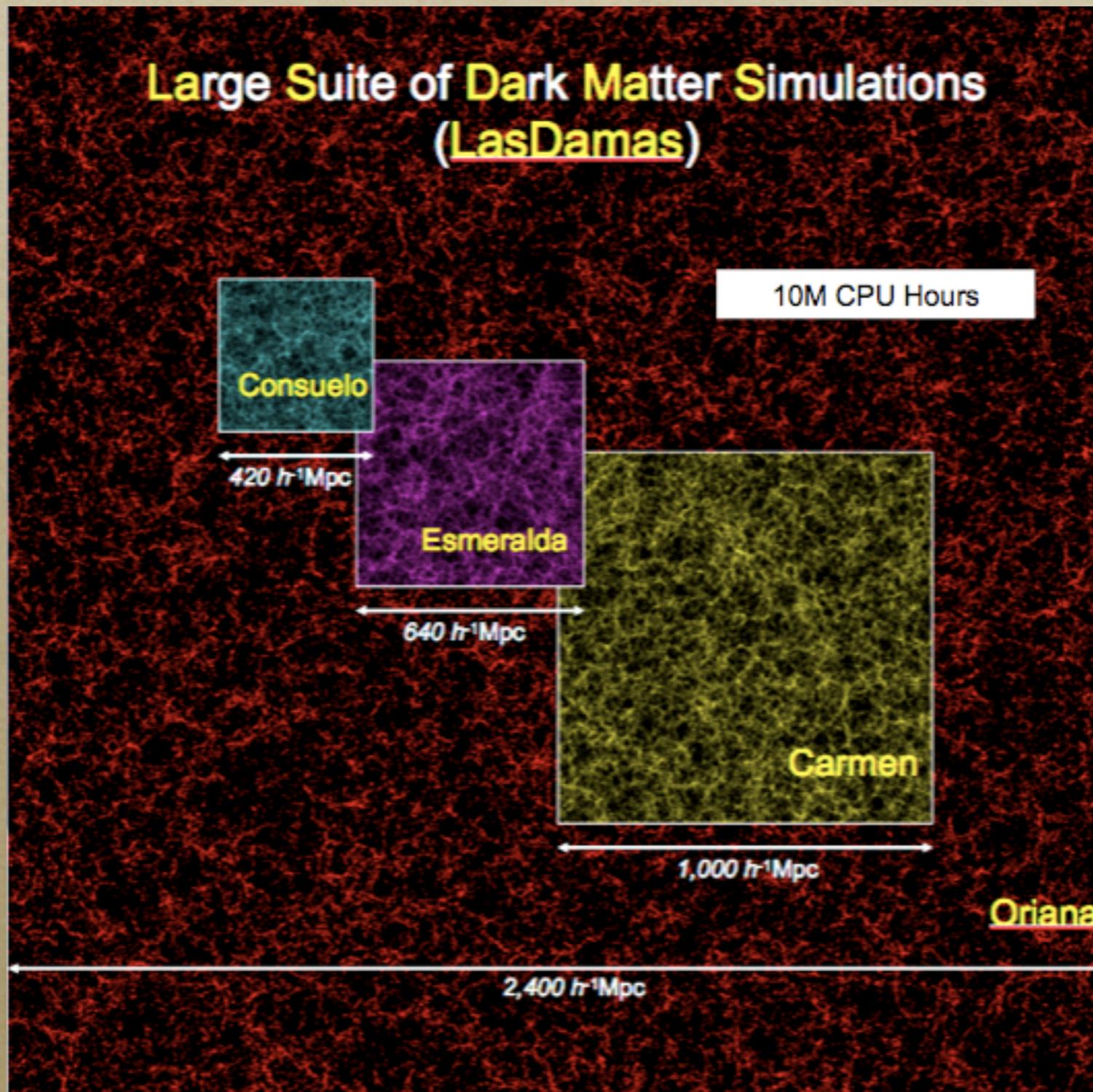


*method: finding halos*



*Halos from N-Body found with FoF  $b=0.2$  , 2LPT  $b=0.38$*

# LasDamas Simulations



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$$\Omega_b = 0.04 \quad n_s = 1$$

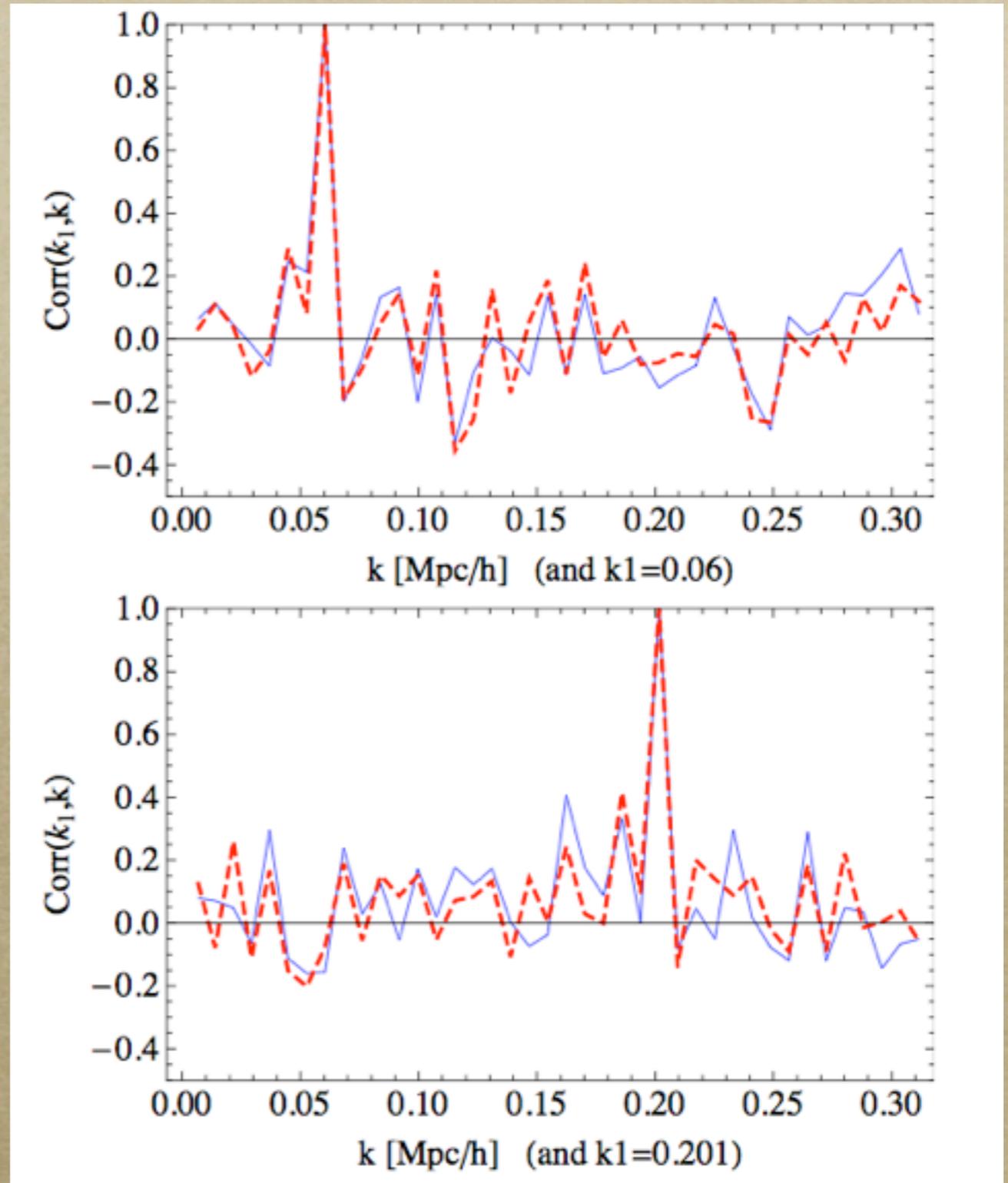
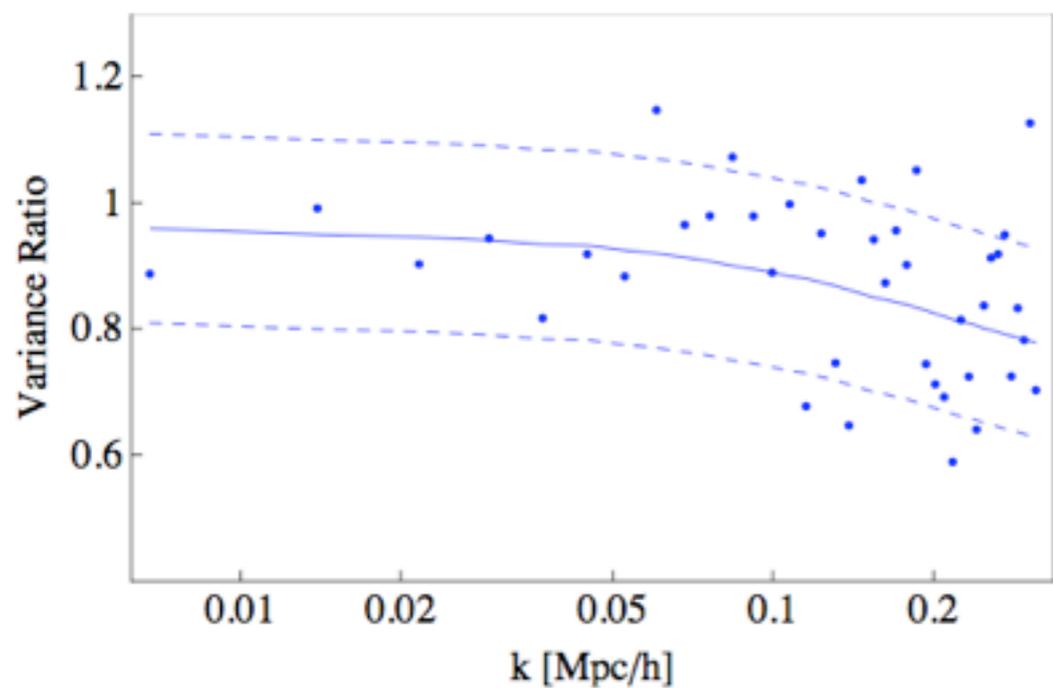
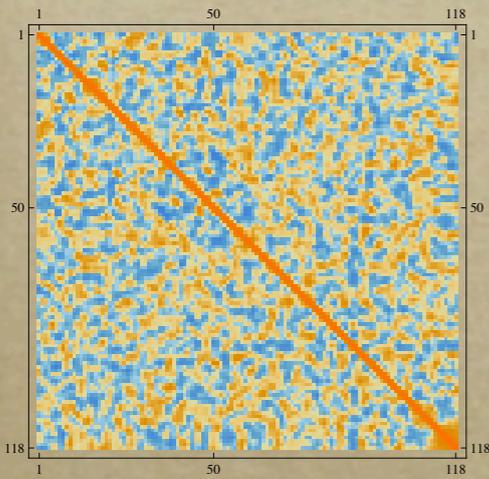
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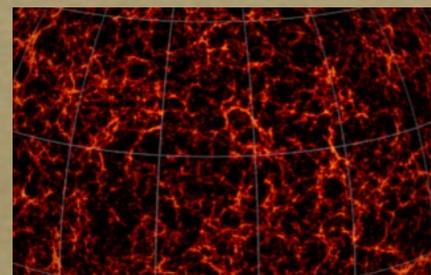
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$$\text{Corr}(k_1, k_2) = \frac{\langle (P_{hm} - \bar{P}_{hm})_{k_1} (P_{hm} - \bar{P}_{hm})_{k_2} \rangle}{\sigma(k_1)\sigma(k_2)}$$



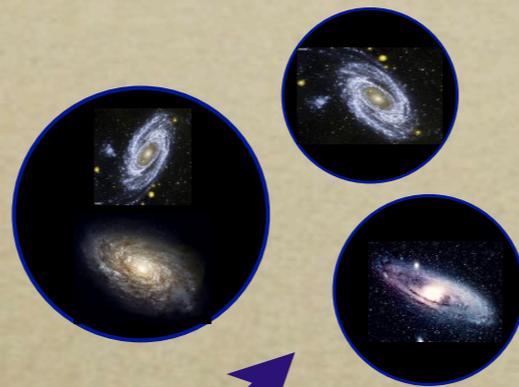
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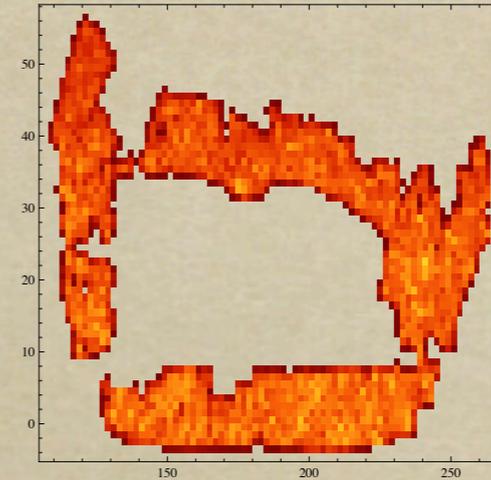
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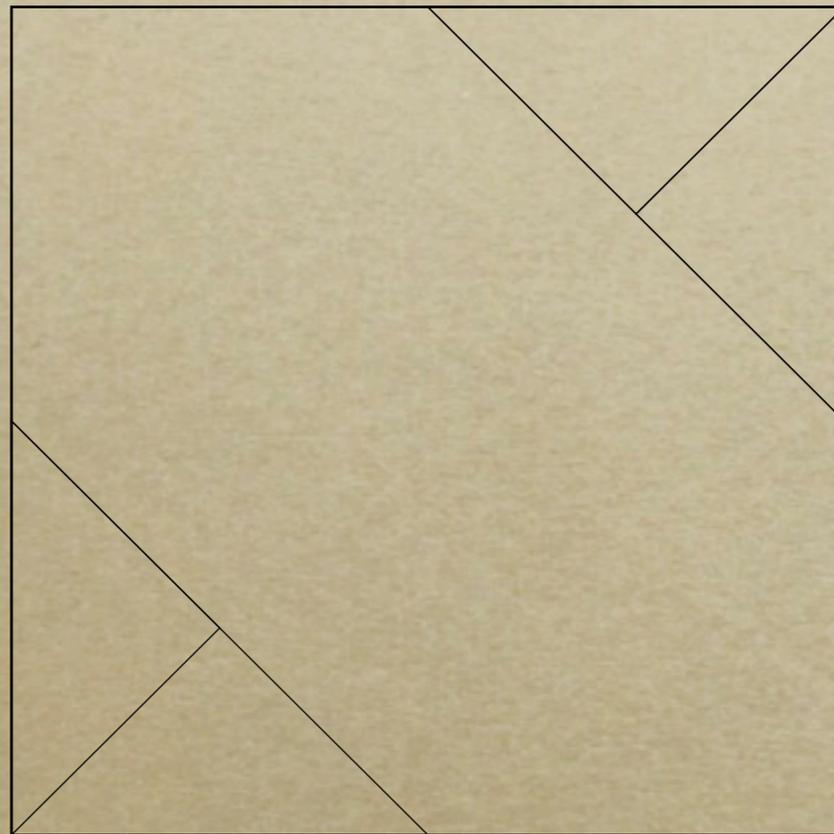
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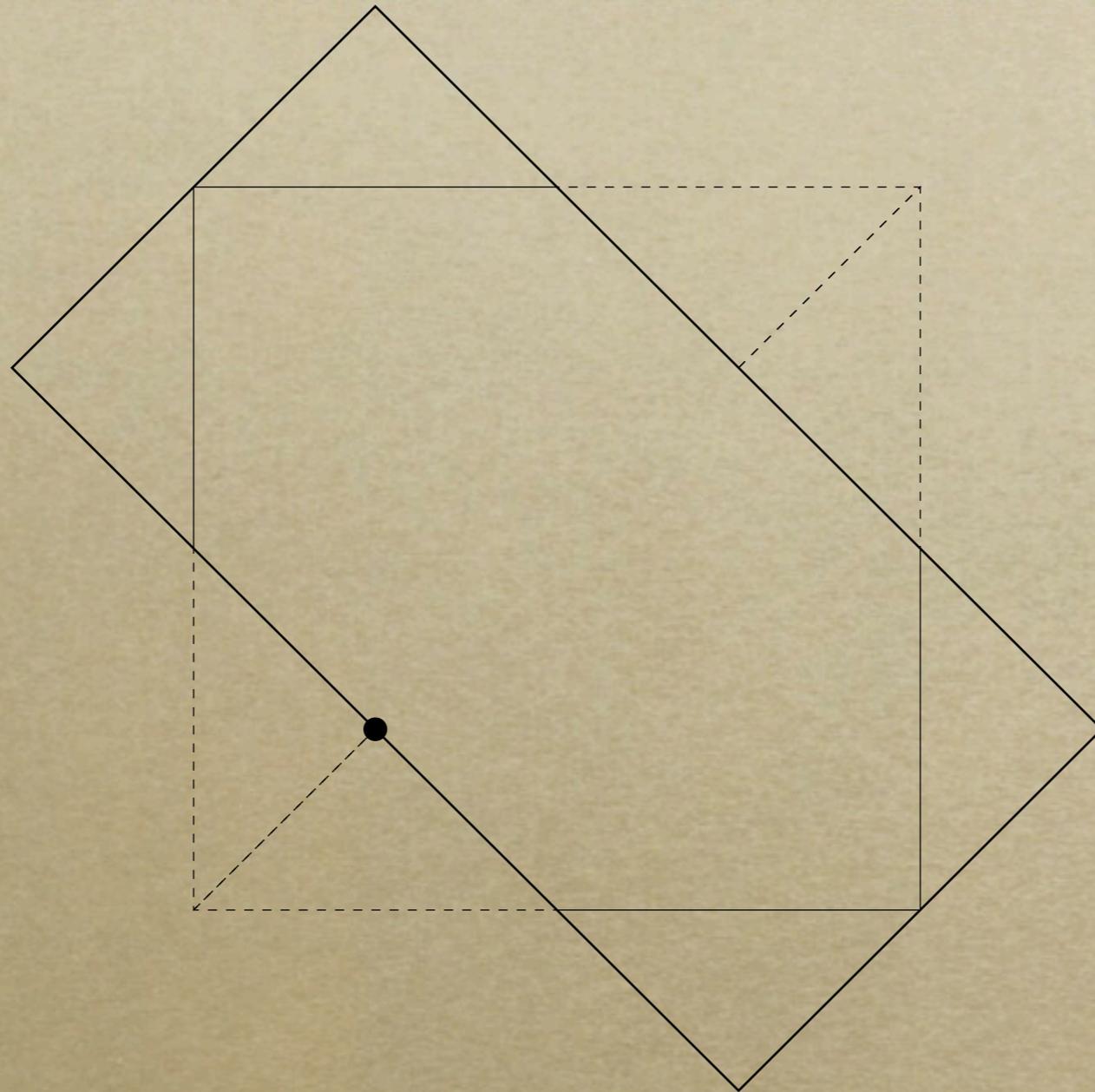
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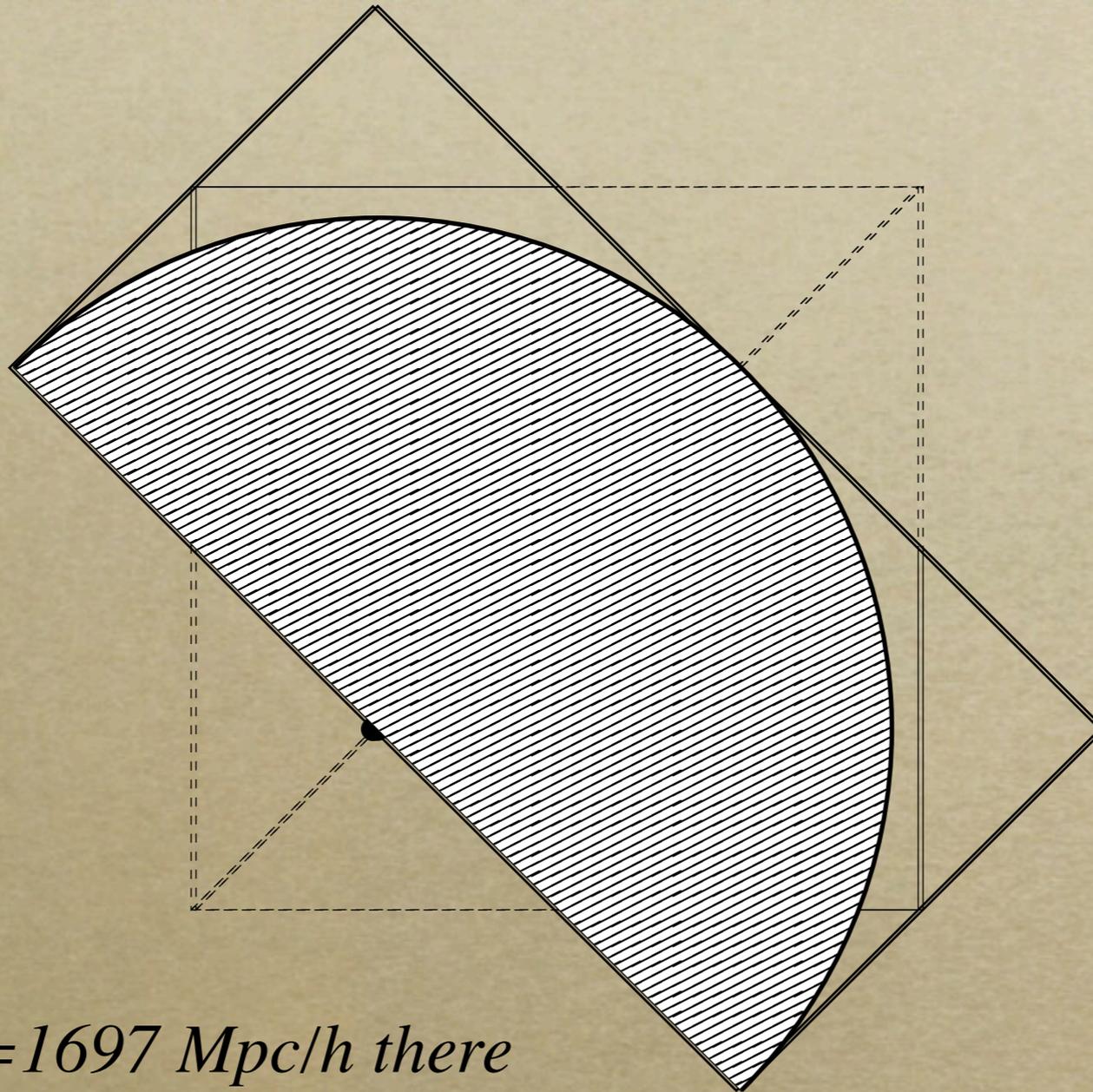
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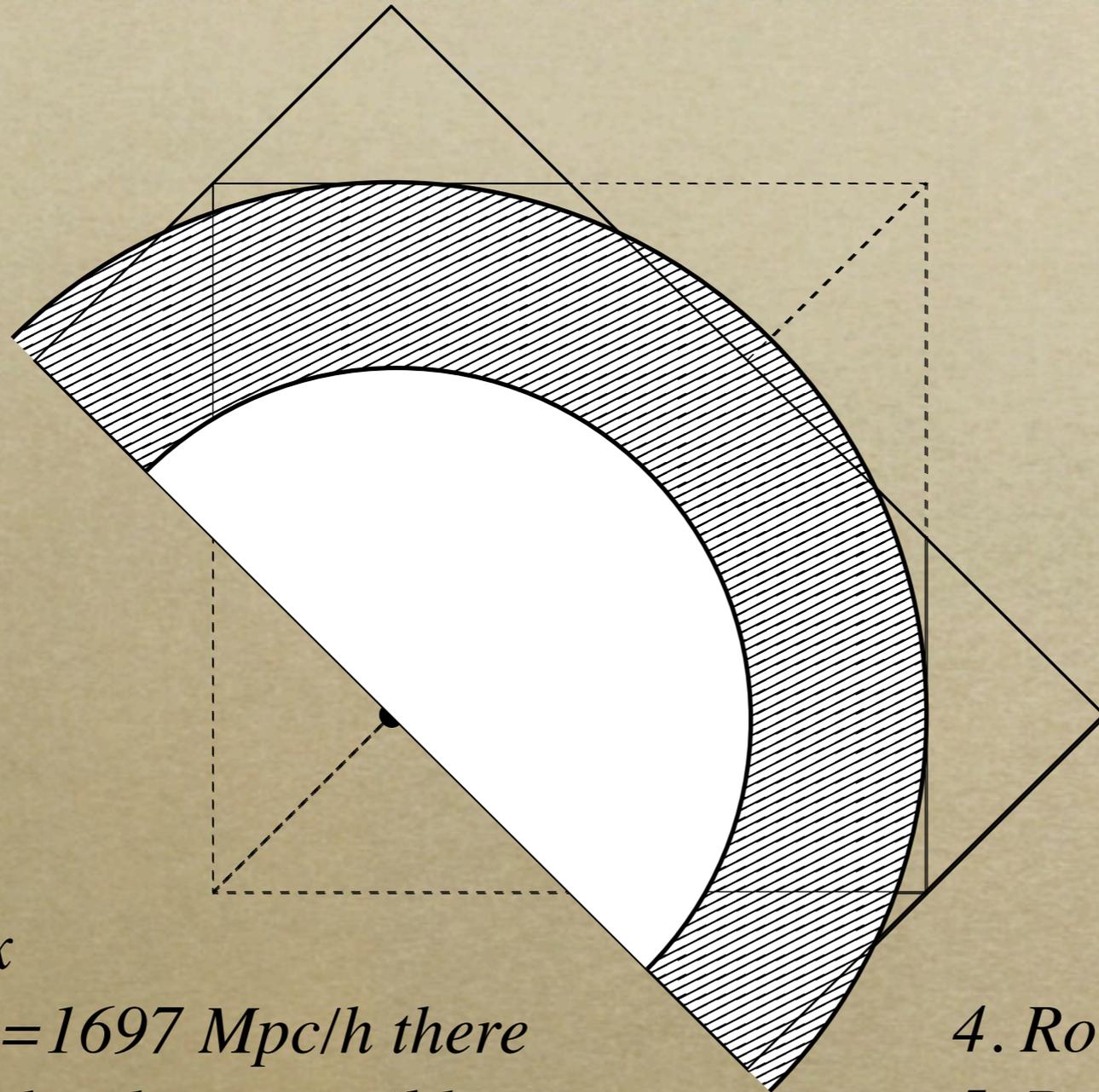
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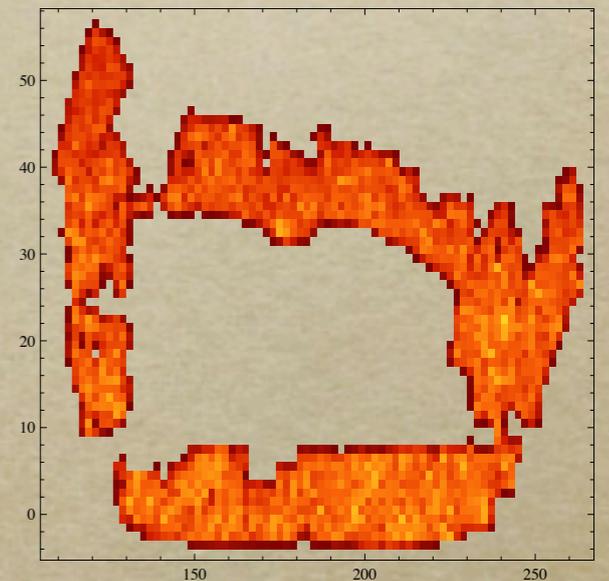
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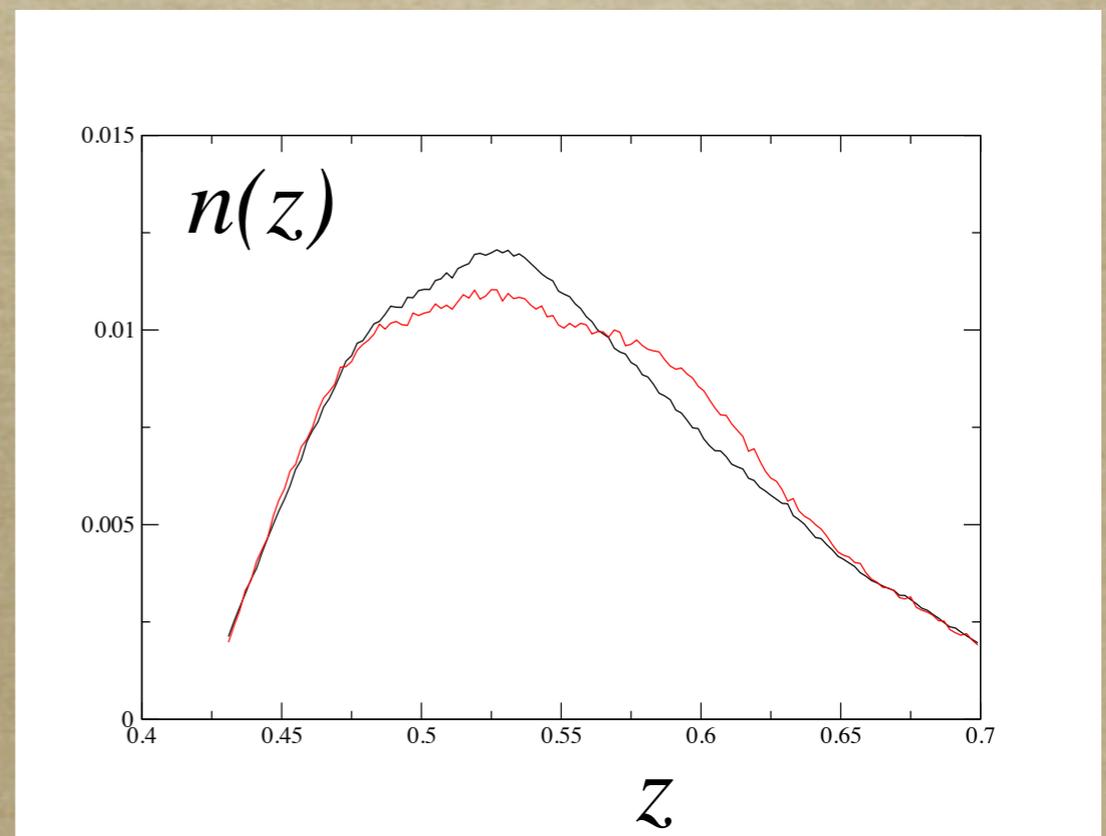
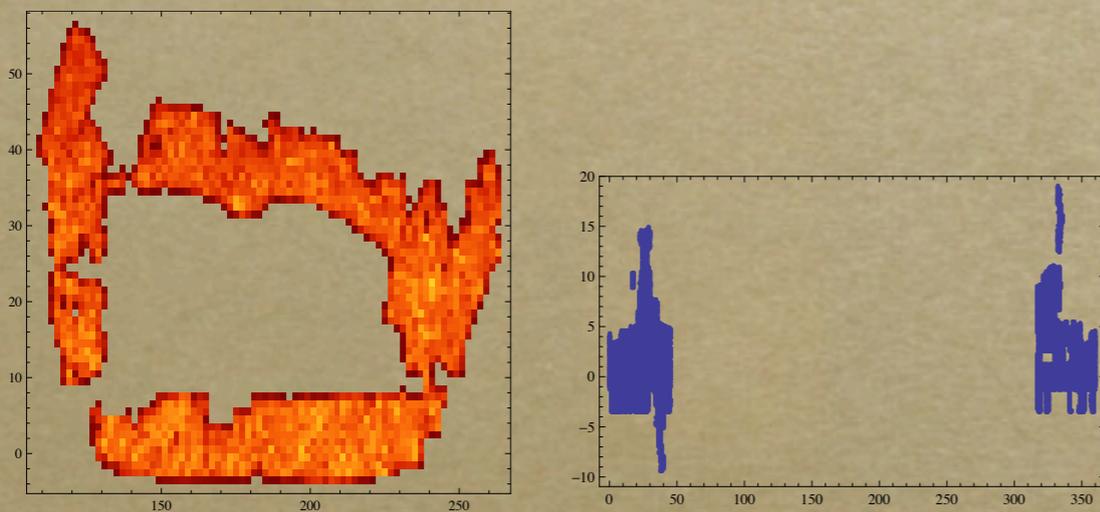
4. Rotate to fit survey  
5. Because of the DR9 mask,  $z=0.7$  ( $r=1777 \text{ Mpc/h}$ ) still has no repetition



# Mask

- a) We subsample our galaxies to match DR9 splined  $n(z)$   
- matching total number of galaxies with good redshifts (flags 1 & 6)
- b) North and South are treated each with its own  $n(z)$
- c) Completeness applied sector by sector.

$$com(sec) = \frac{n_{gal} + n_{stars} + n_{zfail}}{n_{gal} + n_{stars} + n_{ffail} + n_{zfail} + n_{cp}} \frac{n_{gal}}{n_{gal} + n_{zfail}}$$



# fiducial cosmology

LasDamas <http://lss.phy.vanderbilt.edu/lasdamas/>

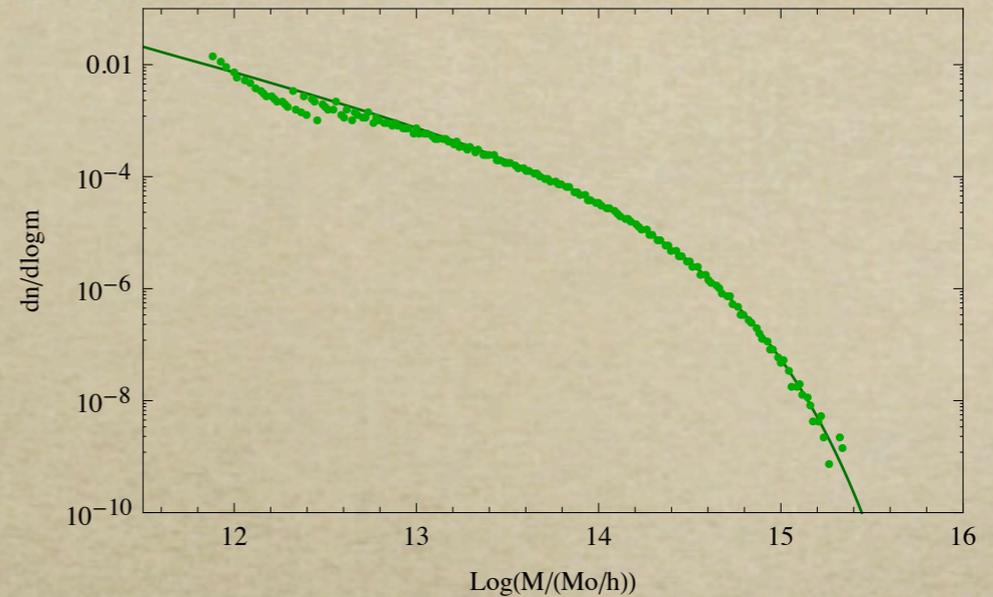
$$\Omega_M = 0.25 \quad \Omega_L = 0.75 \quad \Omega_b = 0.04$$

$$h = 0.7 \quad \sigma_8 = 0.8 \quad n_s = 1$$

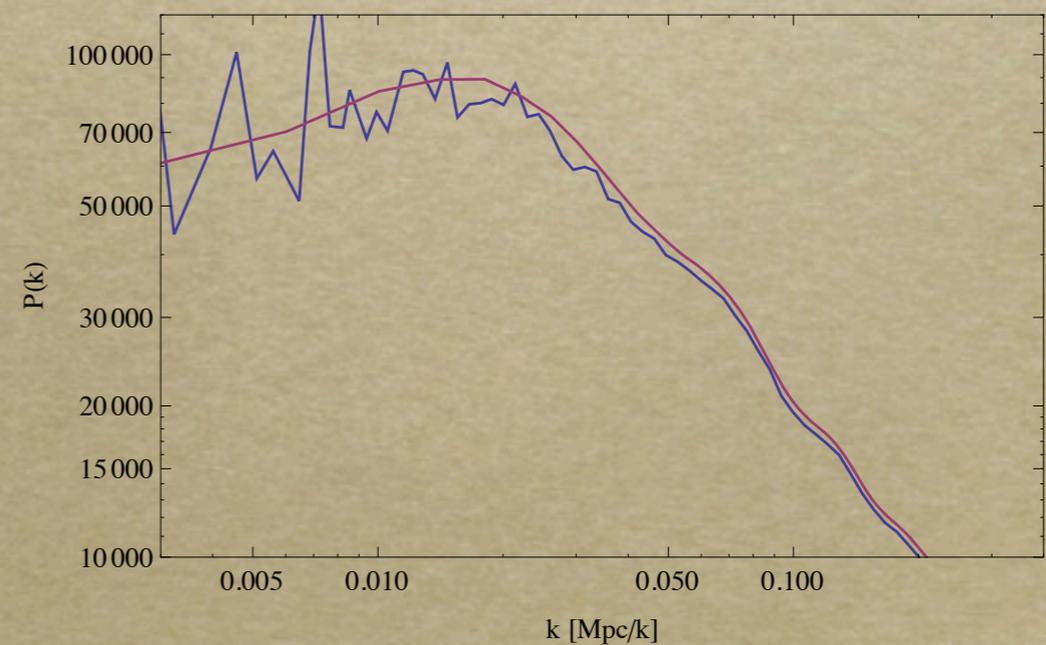
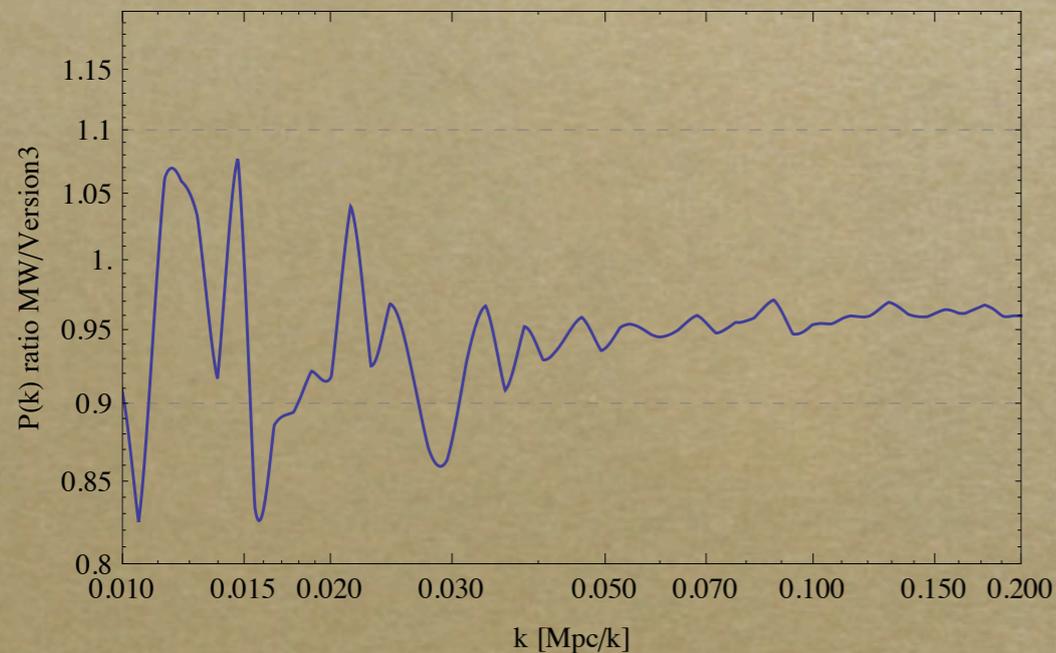
New Fiducial (as in White et al 2010)

$$\Omega_M = 0.274 \quad \Omega_L = 0.726 \quad \Omega_b = 0.0457$$

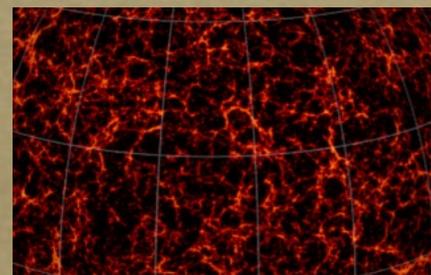
$$h = 0.7 \quad \sigma_8 = 0.8 \quad n_s = 0.95$$



we use Tinker et al 2010 mass function



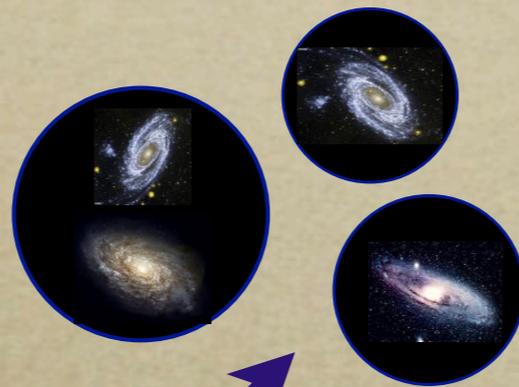
# Galaxy Mocks In Steps



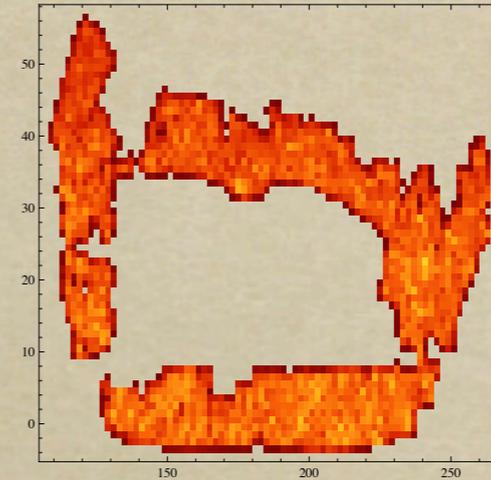
*Dark Matter field*



*Halo field*



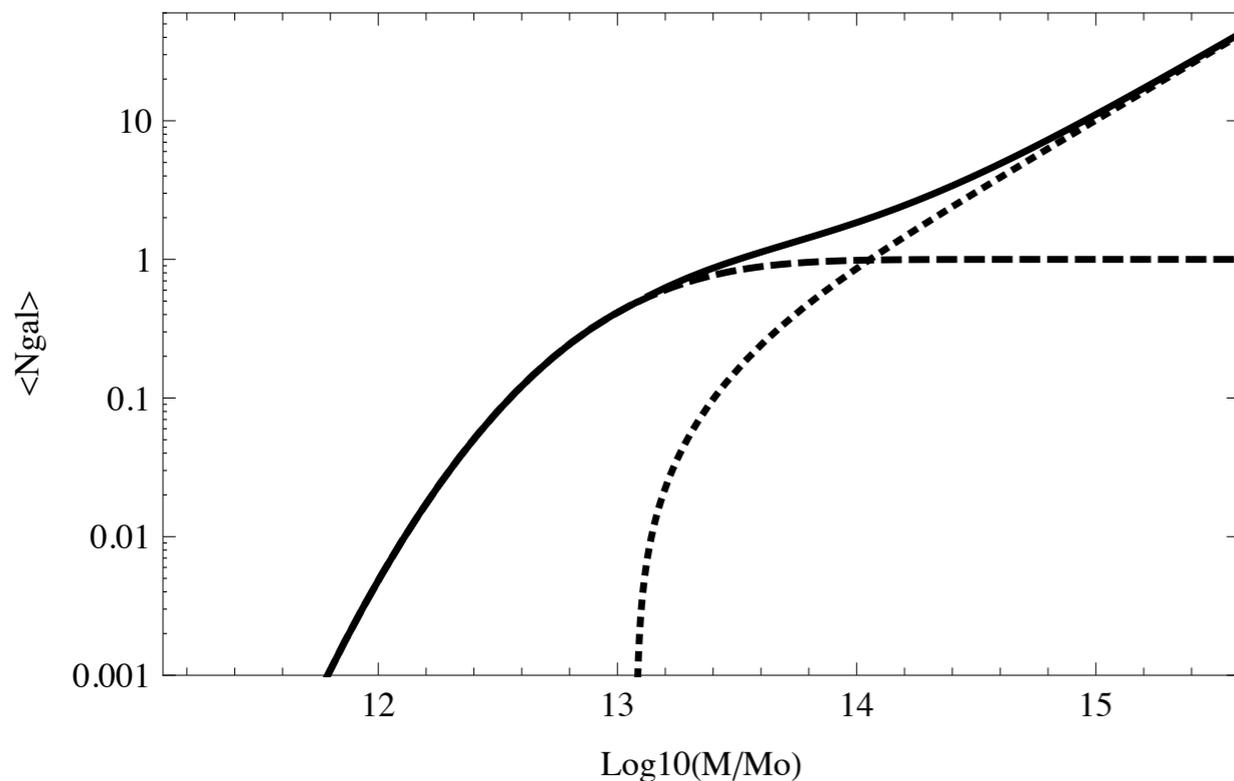
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Zheng et al 2005 functional form

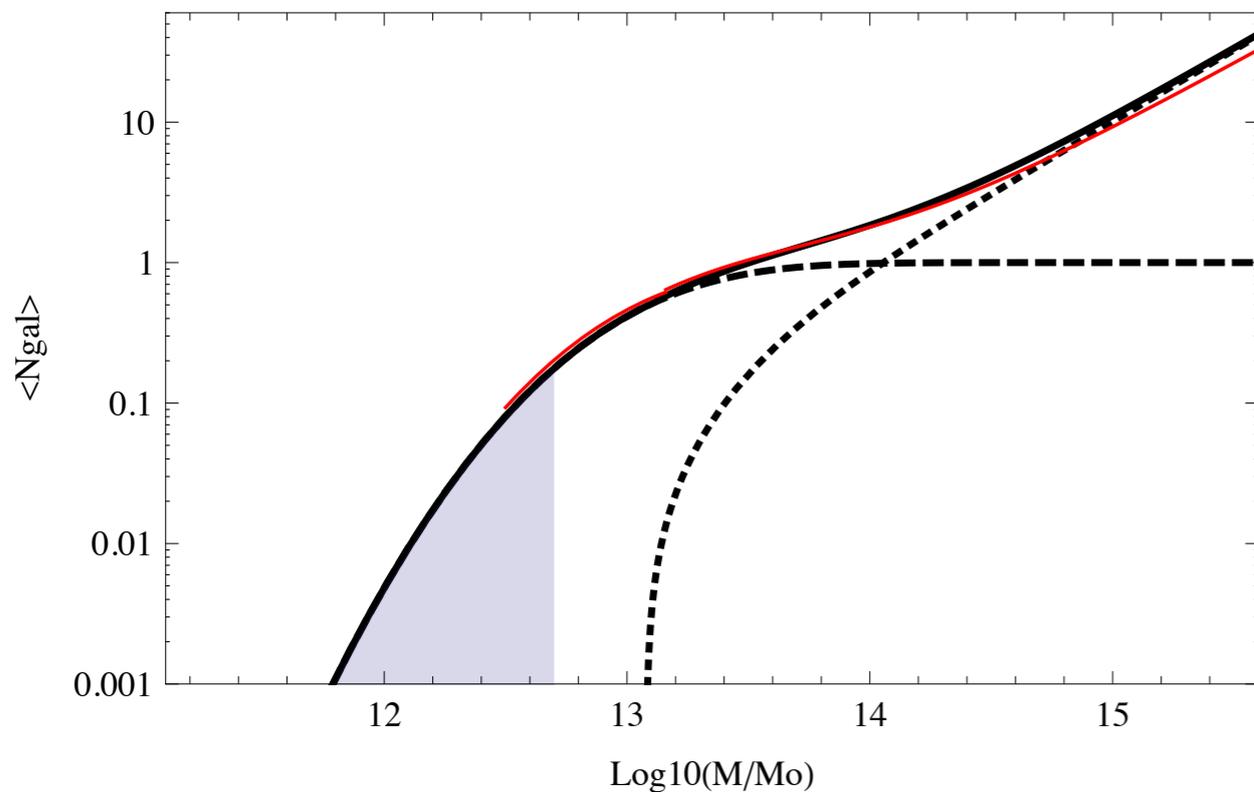
$$\langle N(M) \rangle = \langle N_{cen} \rangle + \langle N_{sat} \rangle$$

$$\langle N_{cen} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{\log M - \log M_{min}}{\sigma_{\log M}} \right) \right]$$

$$\langle N_{sat} \rangle = \langle N_{cen} \rangle \left( \frac{M - M_0}{M_1} \right)^\alpha$$

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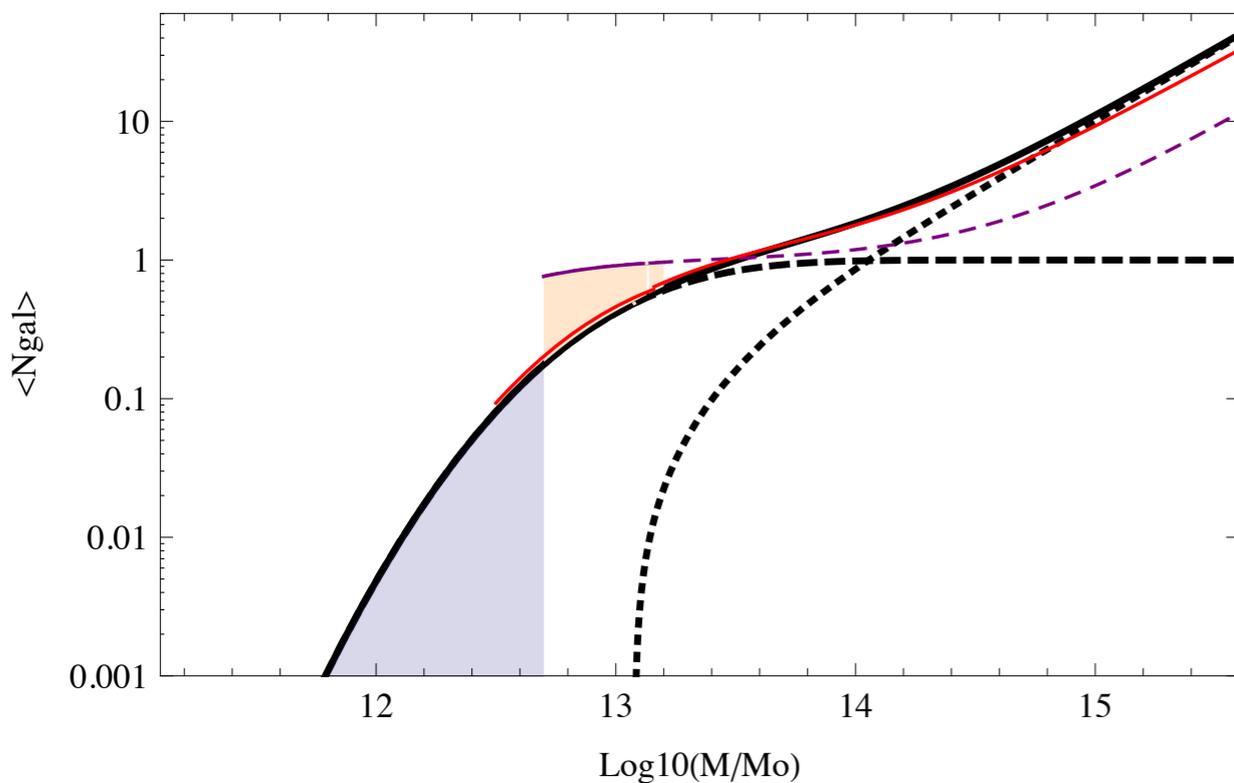
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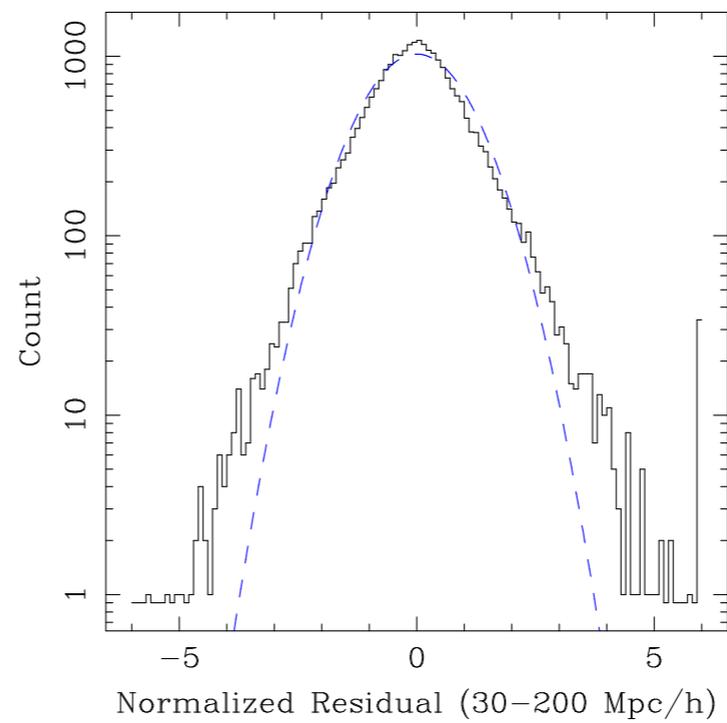
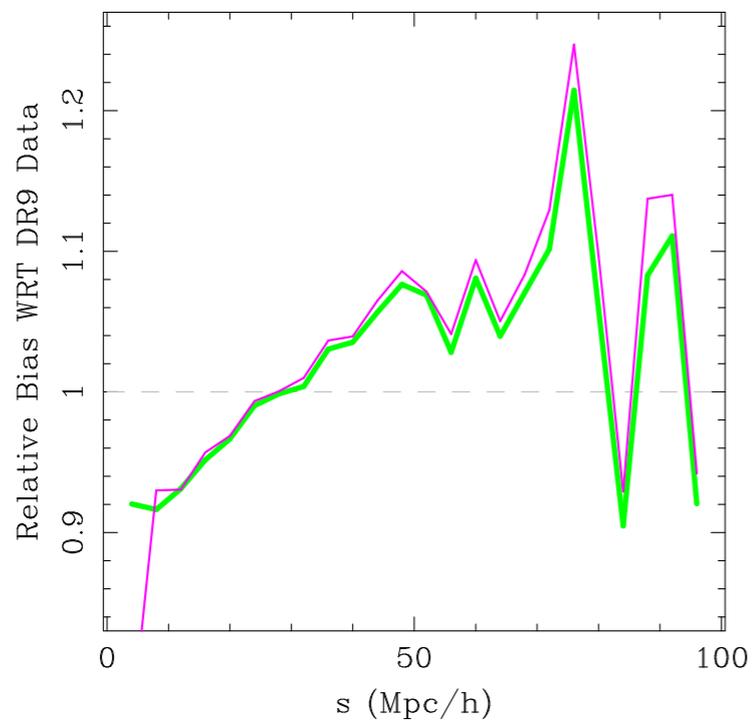
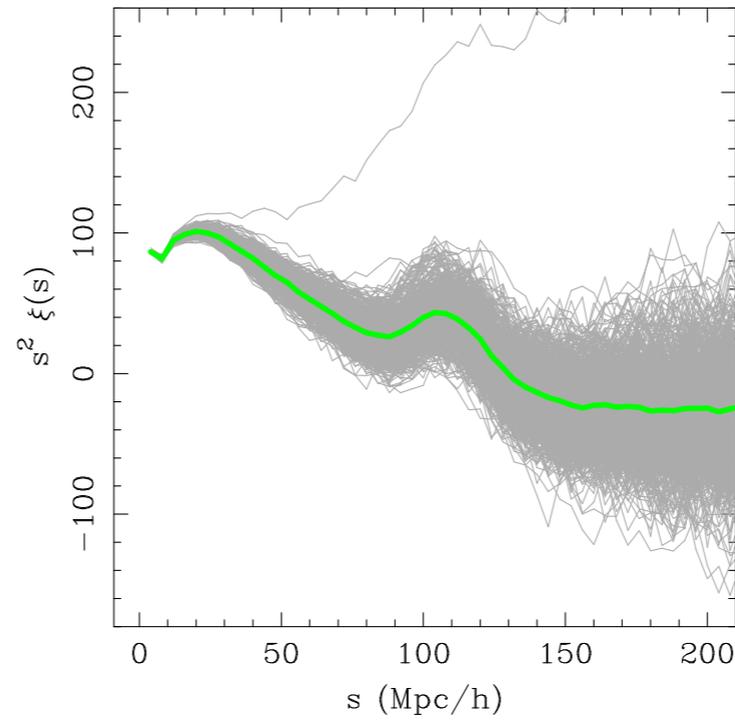
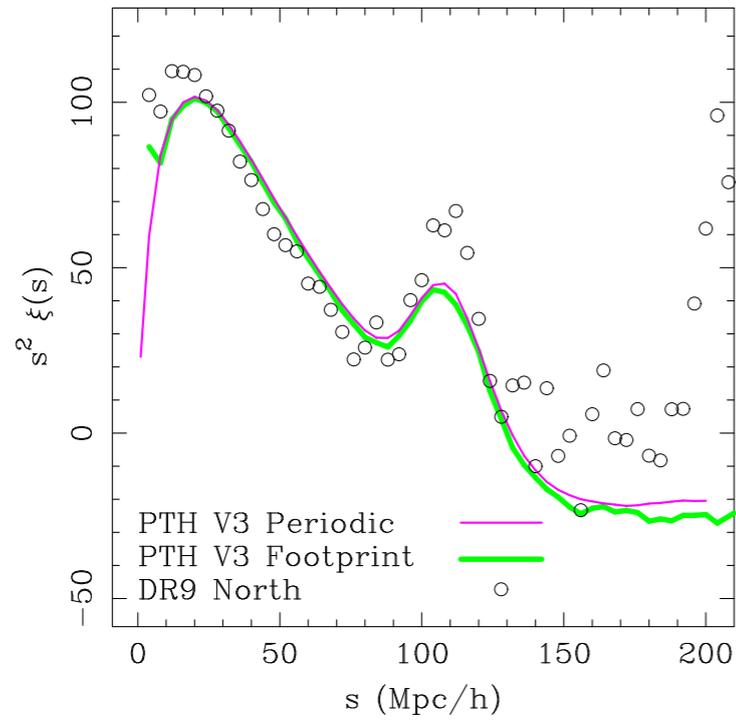
- we use Mass-concentration from Prada et al 2001
- we include dispersion in this relation.

$$\rho(r) = \frac{4\rho_s}{\frac{r}{r_s} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^2} \quad c = \frac{R_{Vir}}{r_s}$$

## • Galaxy velocities within an halo from the Virial Theorem.

- peculiar velocity =  $v_{cm} + v_g$
- these velocities are used when including Redshift Space Distortions

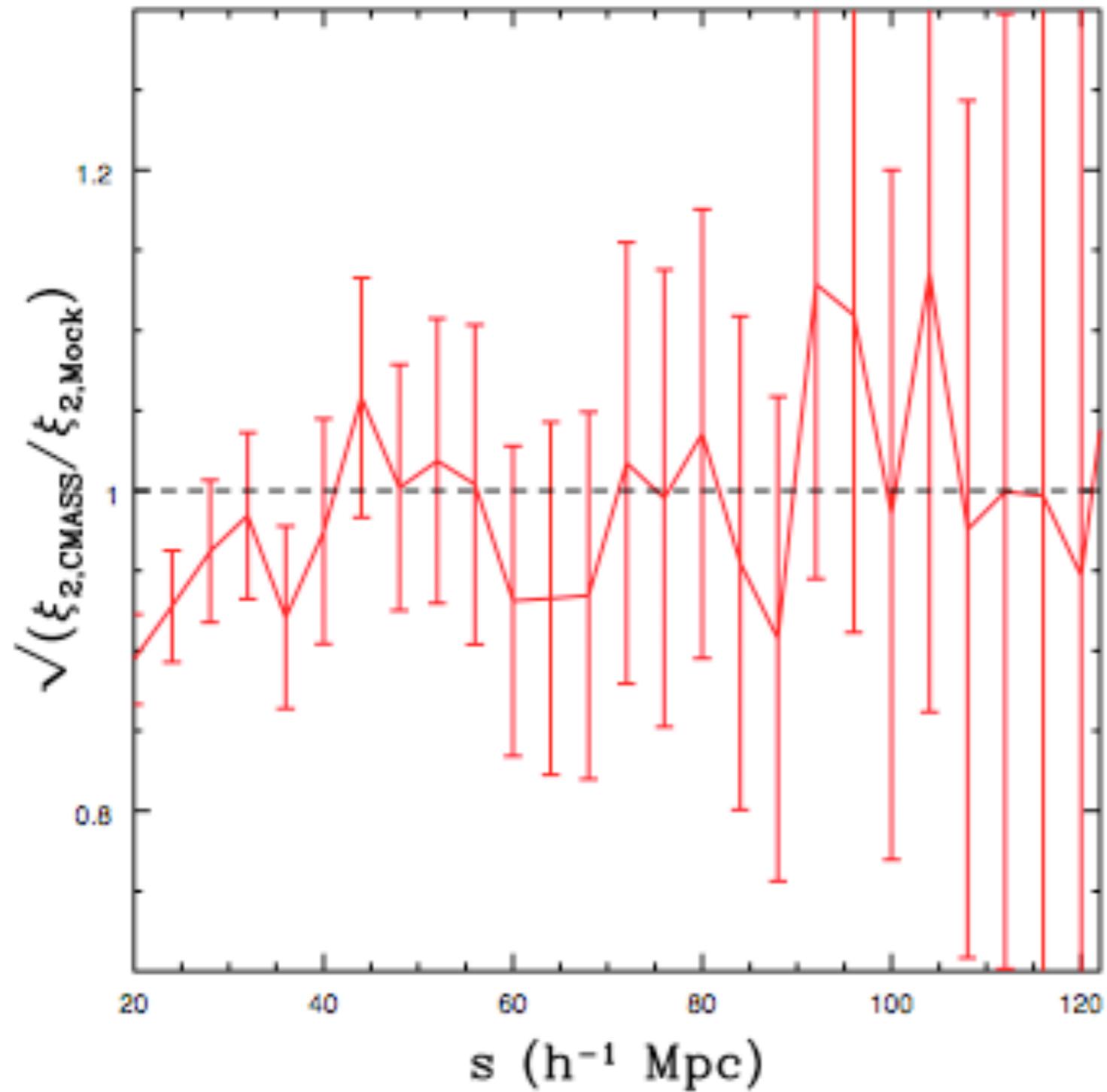
# Comparison with DR9



*courtesy  
Cameron McBride*

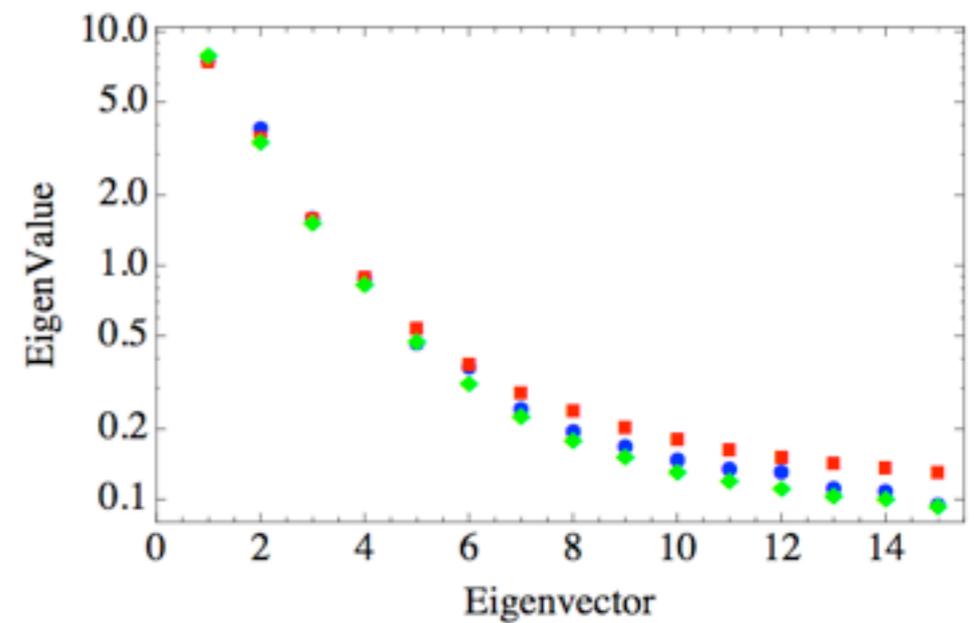
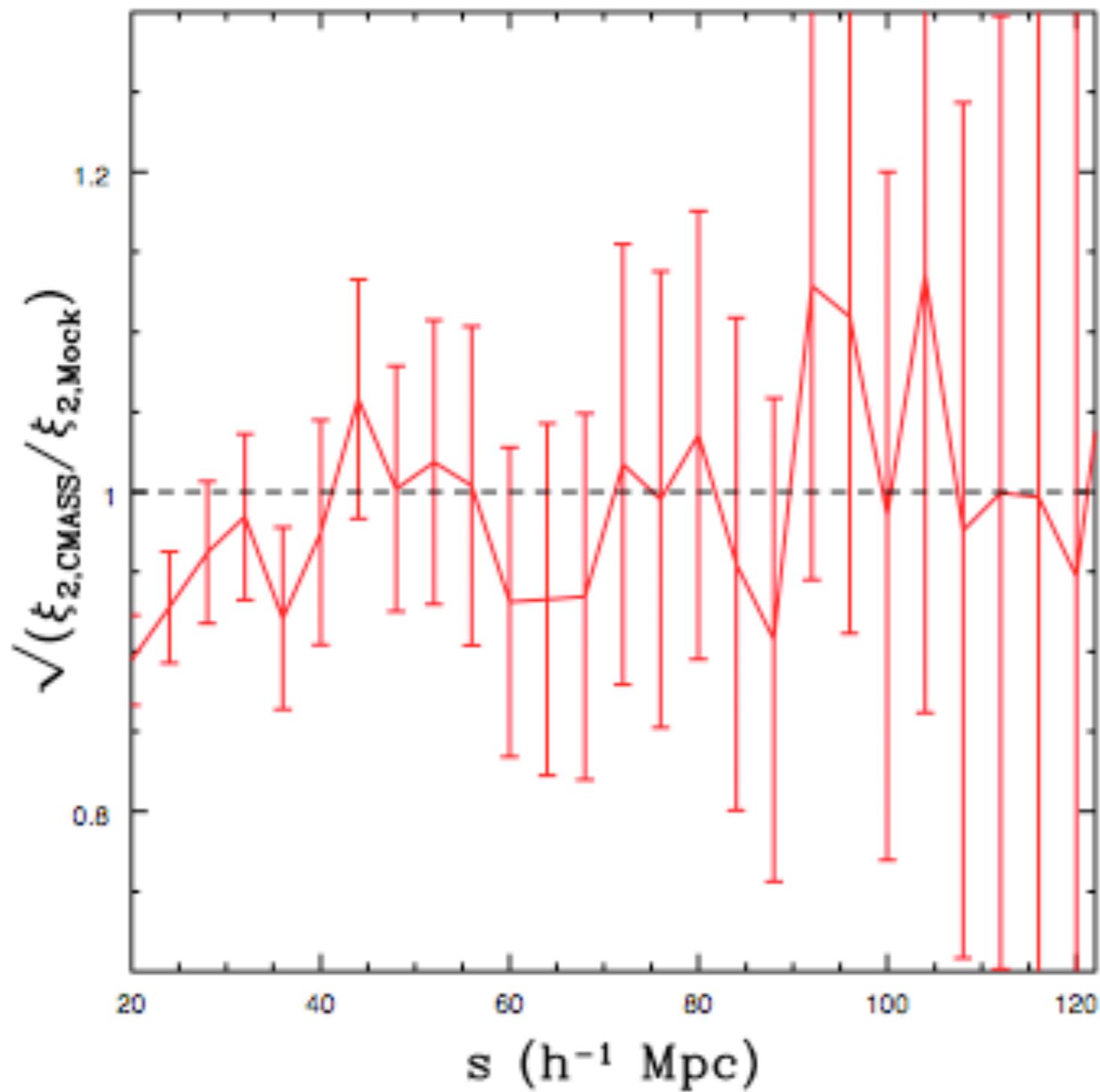
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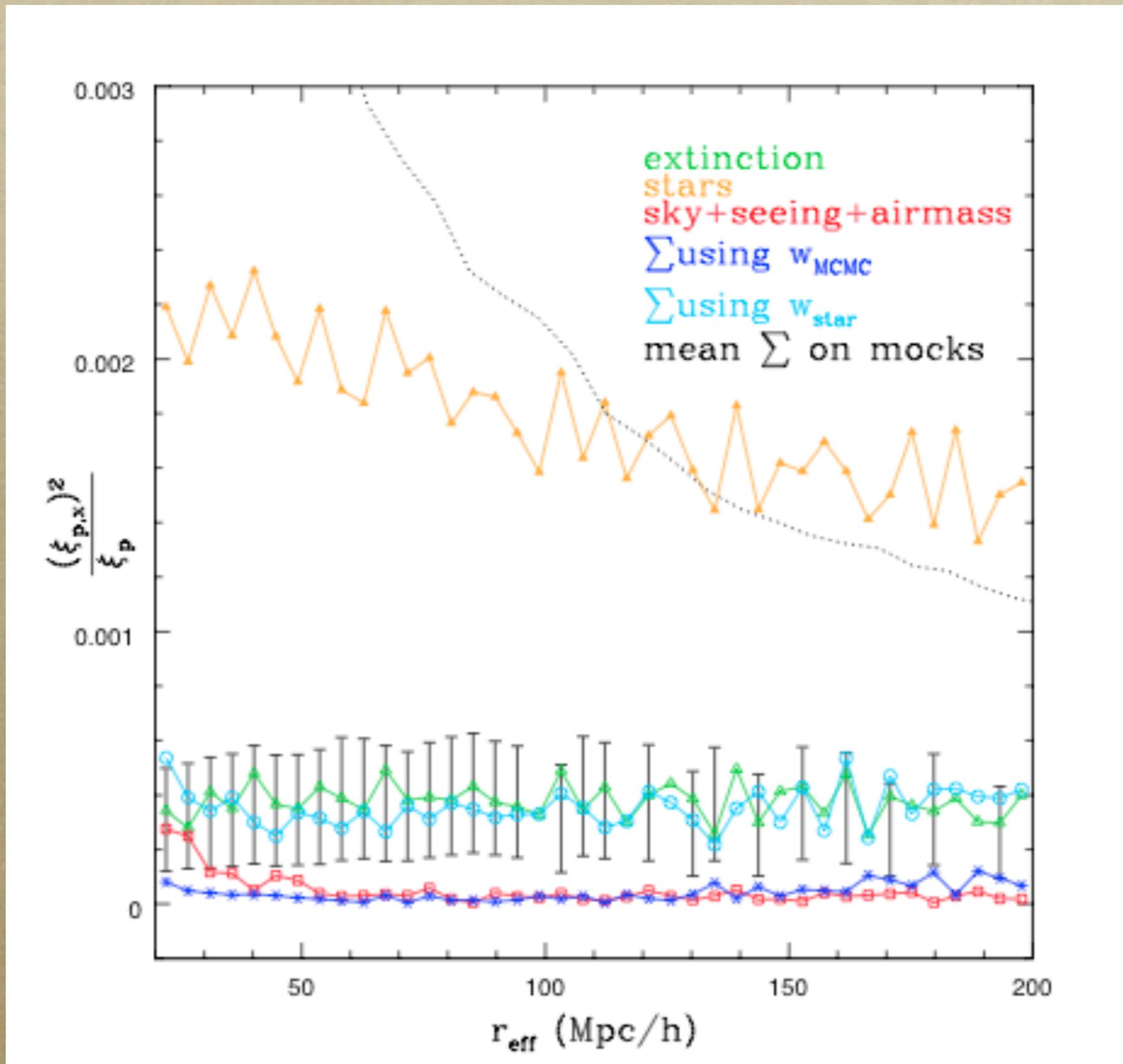


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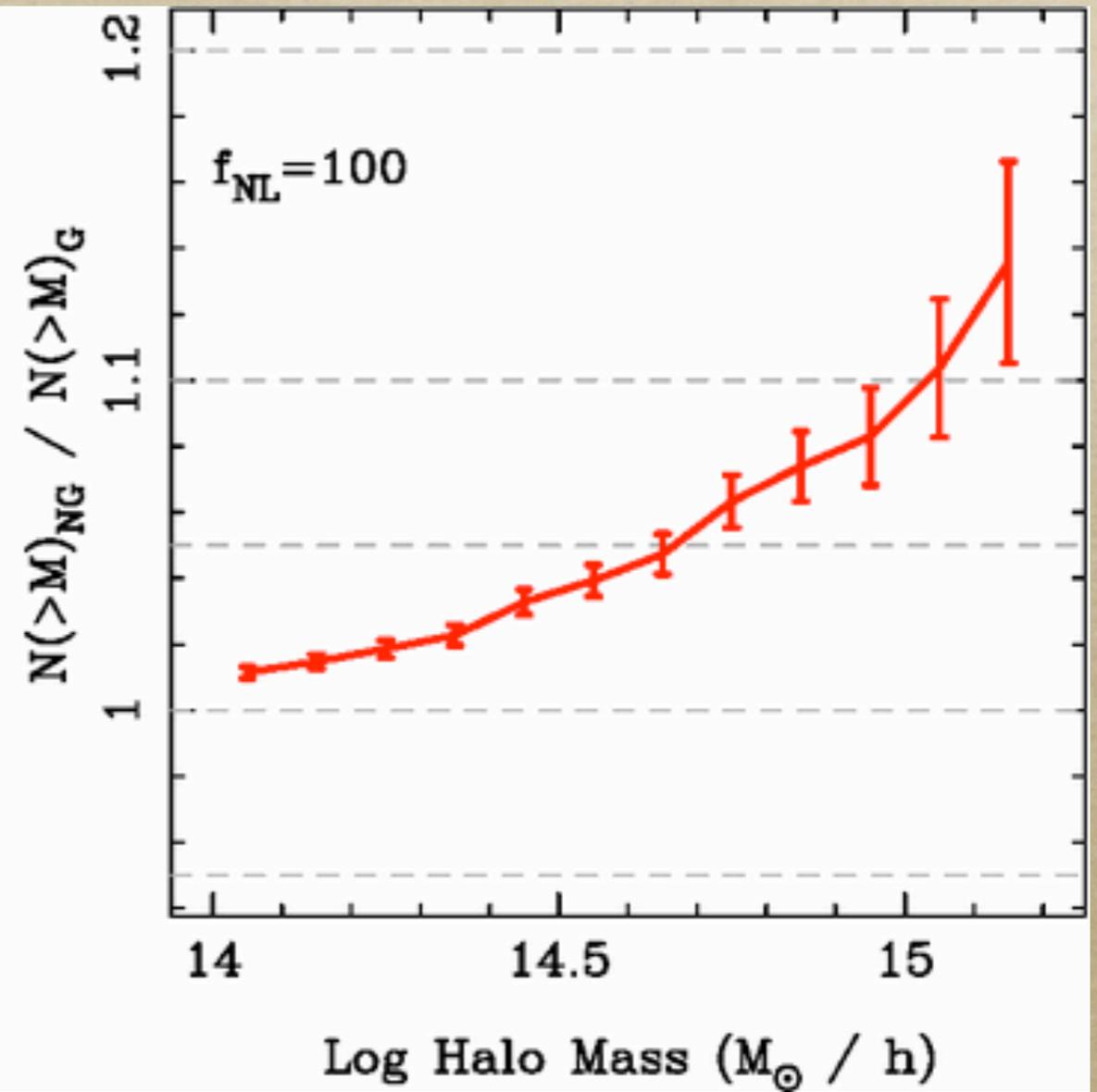
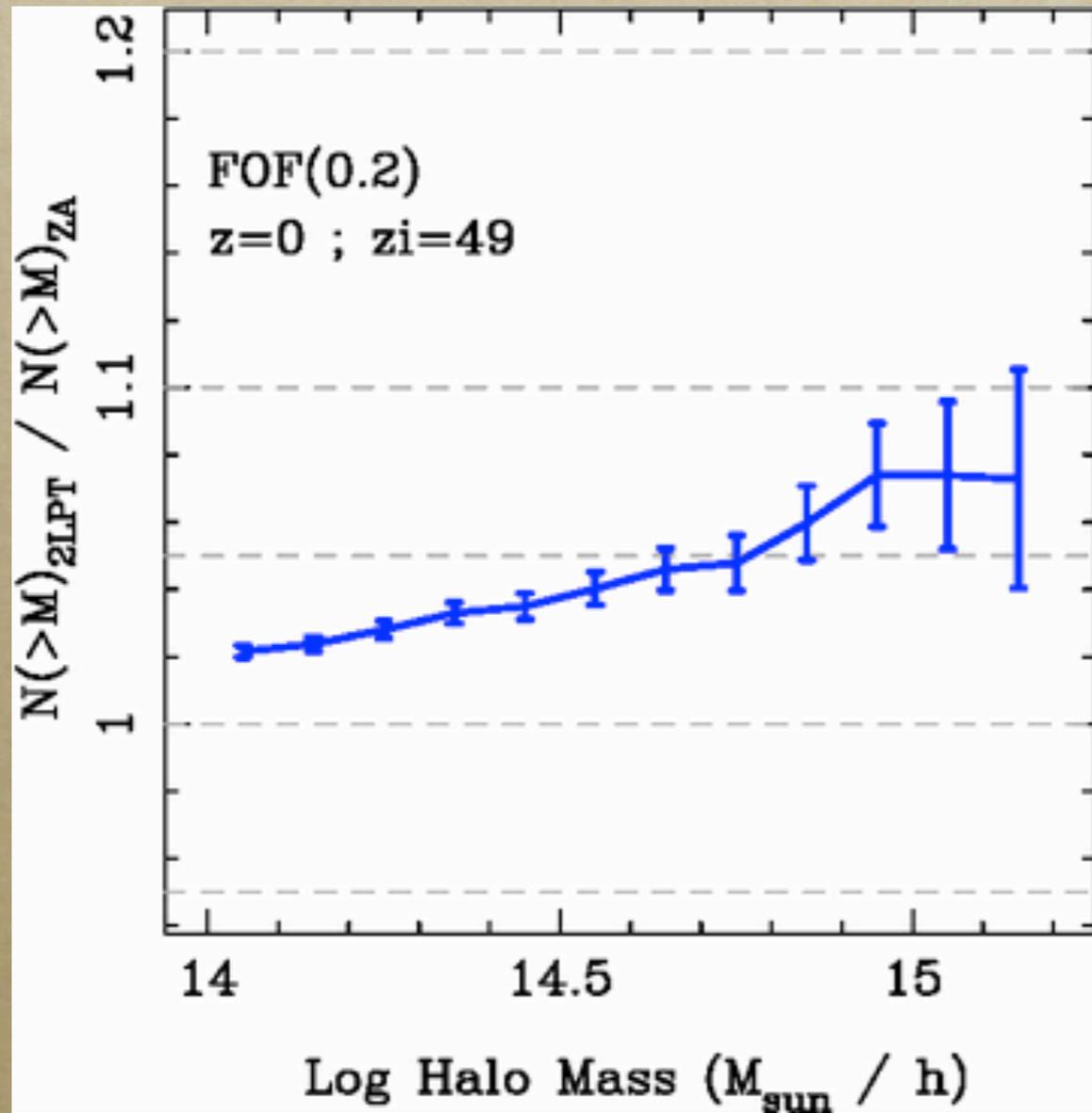
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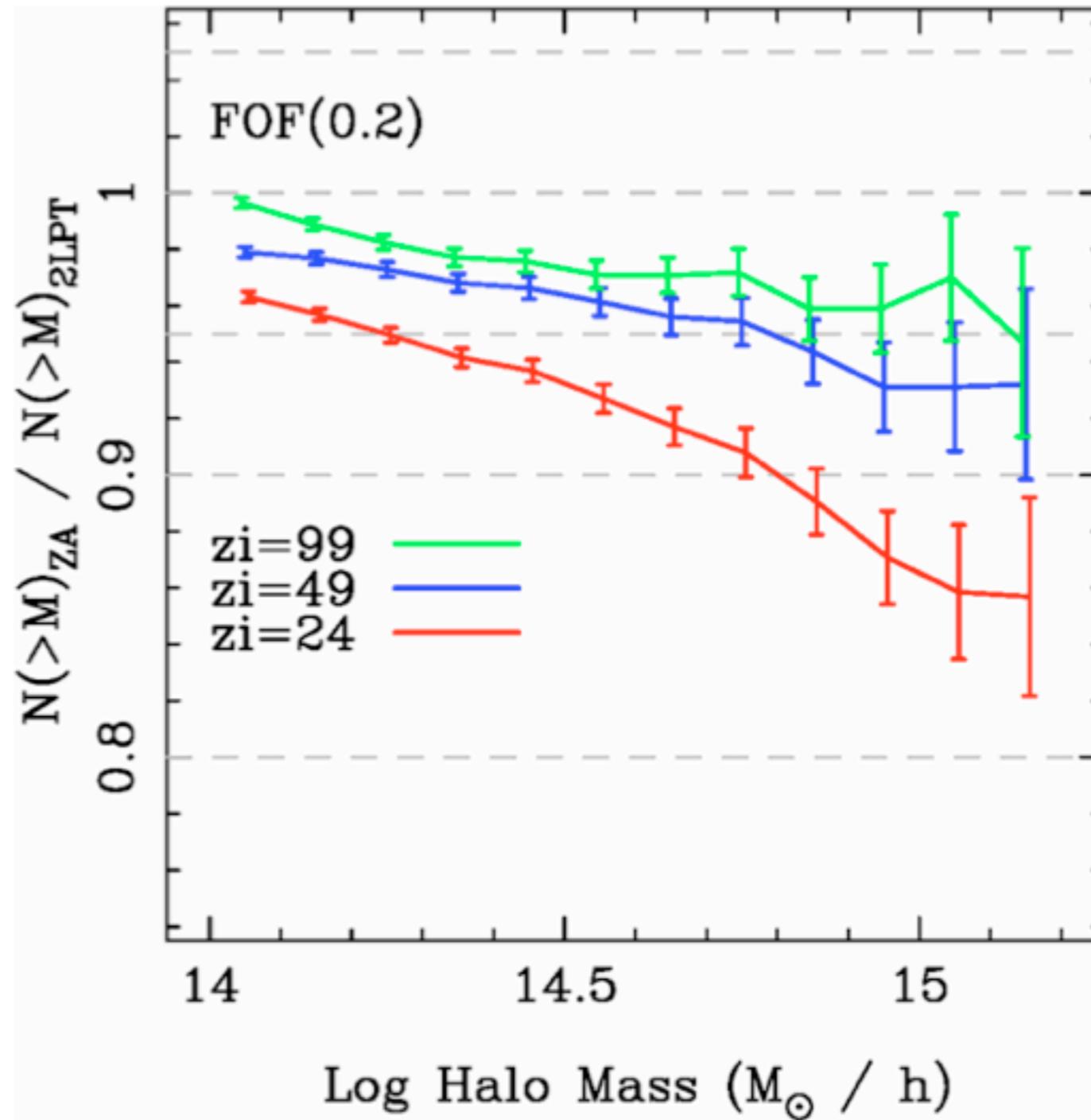


# Using mocks: expected statistic uncertainty



# *extra slide: why 2LPT*





ZA initial conditions converge very slowly, use 2LPT always!!

This is true also for SO halos

plot from LasDamas Collaboration, (McBride et al in prep)

# Conclusions

- BAO peak detected at 5-sigma

Most precise constraint ever obtained of the BAO scale from a galaxy survey (1.7% error)

- Systematics are relevant

most relevant: star density correlates with galaxy density

- Mock galaxy catalogues are crucial to understand errors

PTHalos: 1- fast method to generate mocks useful for LSS analysis

2- clustering of halos is recovered at 10%

3- galaxies included to mimic survey clustering

4- 600 mock catalogues and covariance matrices / available

5- used in reconstruction, systematics, optimisation of estimators,... and obviously, LSS clustering.

- Companion papers on anisotropic clustering and full shape of the correlation function.

# Conclusions

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PTHalos mock galaxy catalogues

Manera et al. arXiv:1203.6609

Systematics

Ross et al. arXiv:1203.6499

BAO scale, alphabetical

Anderson et al. arXiv:1203.6594

Anisotropic clustering

Reid et al. arXiv:1203.6641

Growth from passive galaxies

Tojeiro et al. arXiv:1203.6565

Full shape of the correlation function

Sanchez et al. arXiv:1203.6616



*Thank you for your attention*