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Abstract: The Origin of the Large Scale Structure is one of the key issue in Cosmology. A plausible assumption is that structures grow via gravitational amplification and collapse of density fluctuations that are small at early times. The growth history of cosmological fluctuations is a fundamental observable which helps in hunting for evidences of new physics, currently missing from our picture of the universe, but potentially crucial to explain its past, present and future history. I'll show how we investigated if the gradual growth of structures observed over a period of nearly 9 billion years can be used to discriminate between different gravitational models. I'll also discuss how the measurement of the cosmic growth rate provides an alternative independent probe to understand the origin of the accelerated expansion of the universe.

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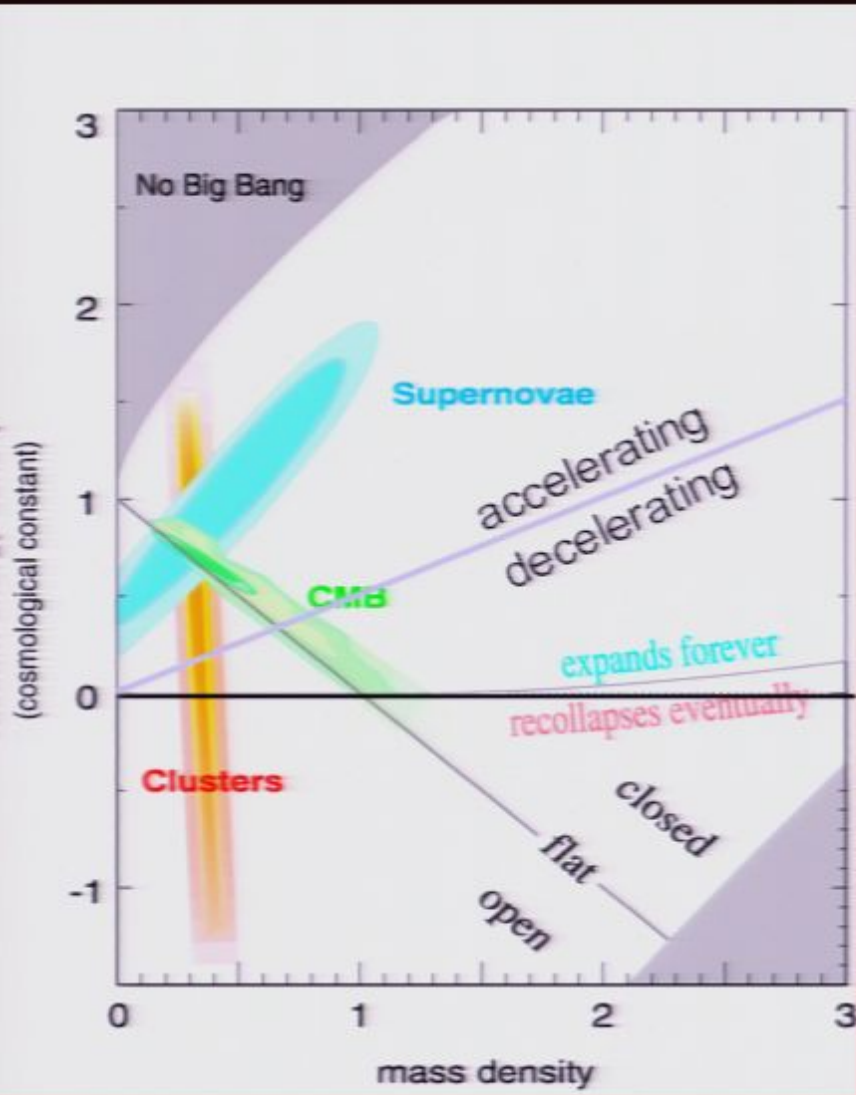
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Unprecedented convergence of results in cosmology over the last few years indicates that we live in a universe where:



- ordinary matter is a minority (1/6) of all matter
- matter is a minority (1/4x) of all energy
- geometry is spatially flat
- Expansion is presently accelerated

The big picture is in place, but the major constituents and many of the detailed physical mechanisms remain to be understood.

The outstanding problem : Dark Energy

What do we know ?

{ Dark
Smooth on cluster scales
Accelerating the Universe

- The Cosmological Constant Problem

Particle physics theory currently provides no understanding of why the vacuum energy density is so small: $\rho_{\text{DE}}^{(\text{Theory})} / \rho_{\text{DE}}^{(\text{obs})} = 10^{120}$

- The Cosmic Coincidence Problem

Theory provides no understanding of why the Dark Energy density is just now comparable to the matter density.

- Nature : What is it?

Is dark energy the vacuum energy? a new, ultra-light particle?
a breakdown of General Relativity on large scales? Evidence
for extra dimensions?

Outline

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- *Biasing from a theoretical & observational perspective*
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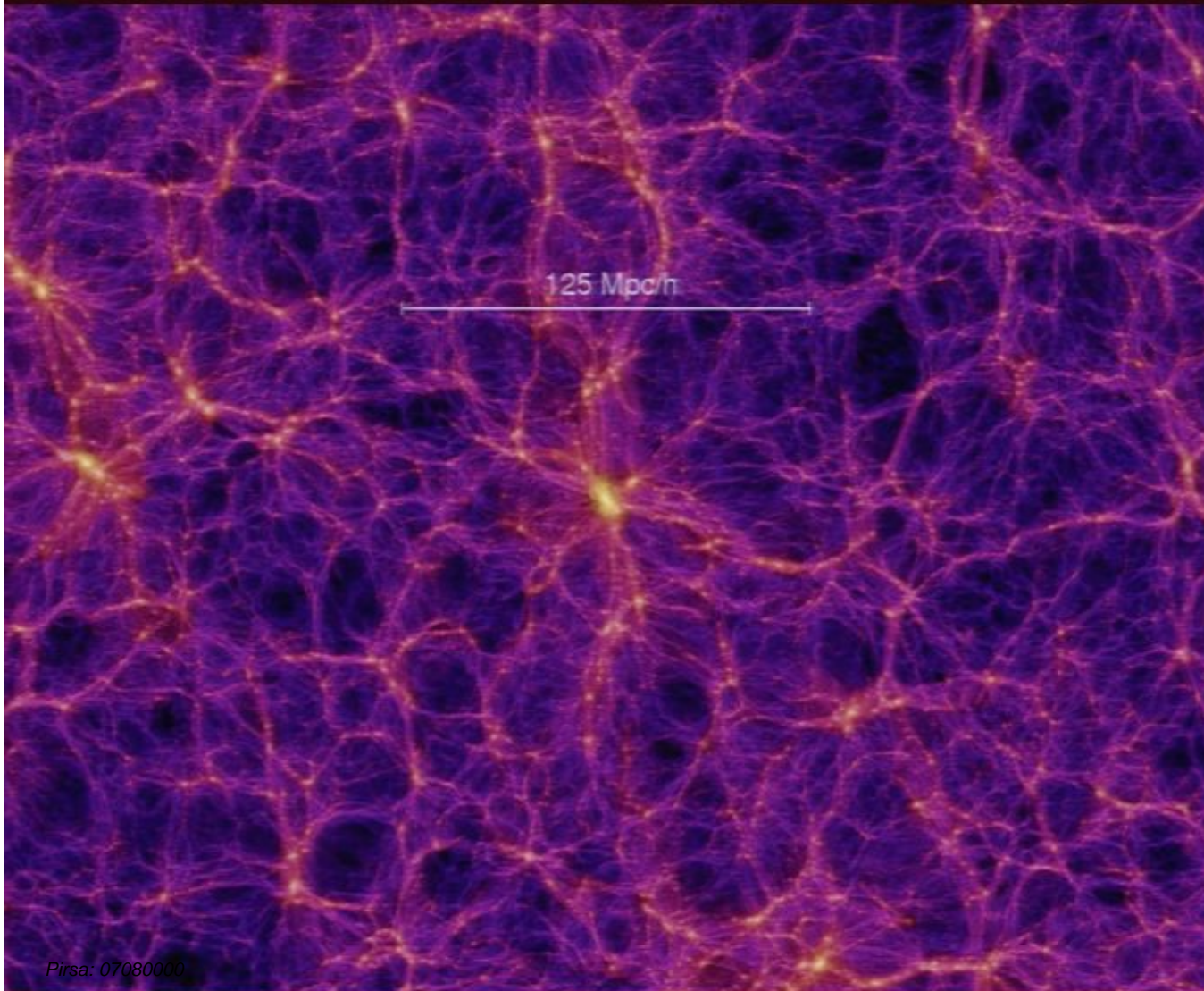
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- *method and preliminary results*

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Fundamental variable describing the LSS structure

Complete understanding of δ on large scales

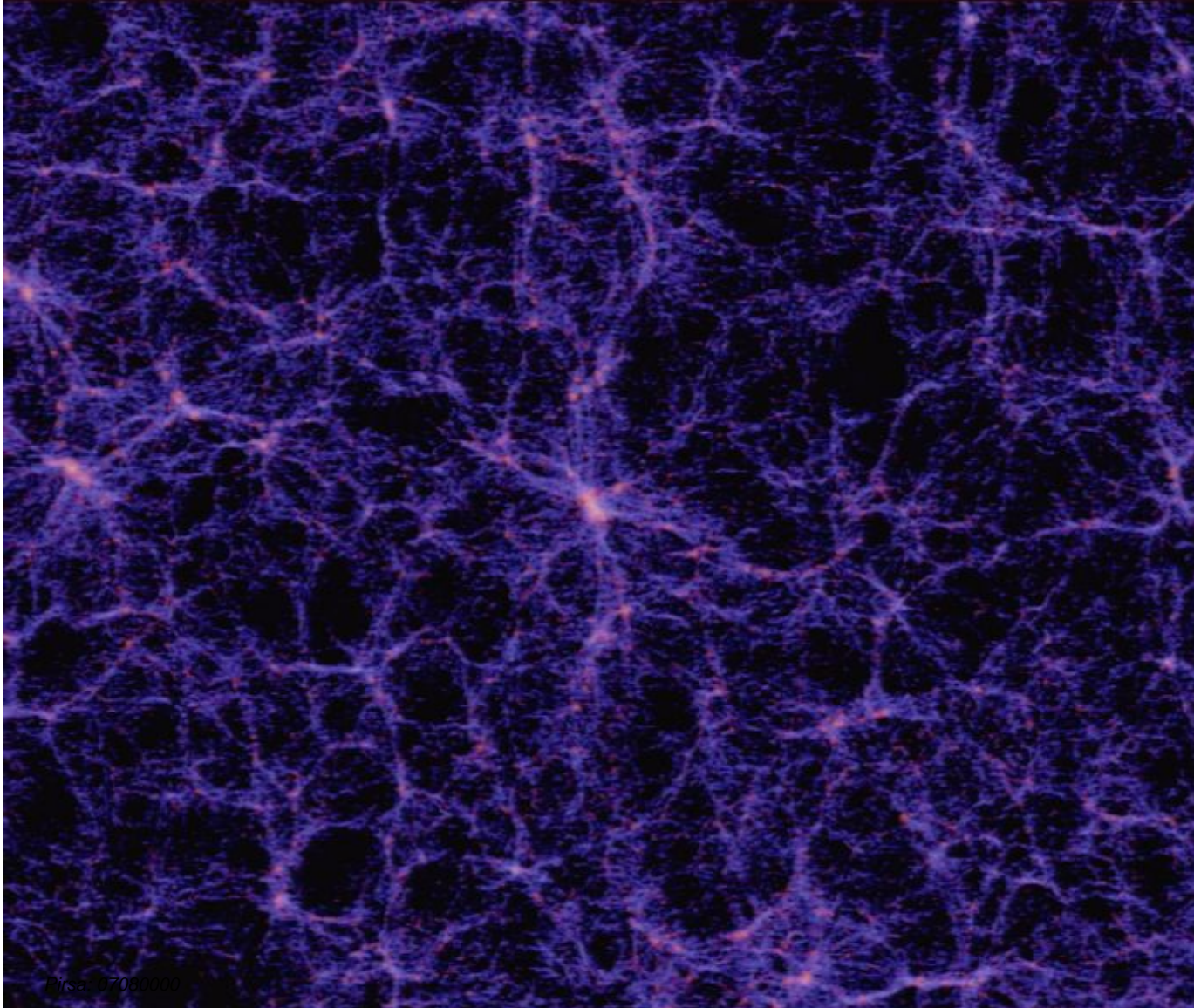


- Cosmology is phrased in the Λ CDM frame
- Initial conditions of cosmological structure formation almost unambiguously known
- Gravitational evolution is known (collisionless)

Formation and evolution of luminous matter

Dynamics of galaxy fluctuations

$$\delta_{\text{lg}}$$

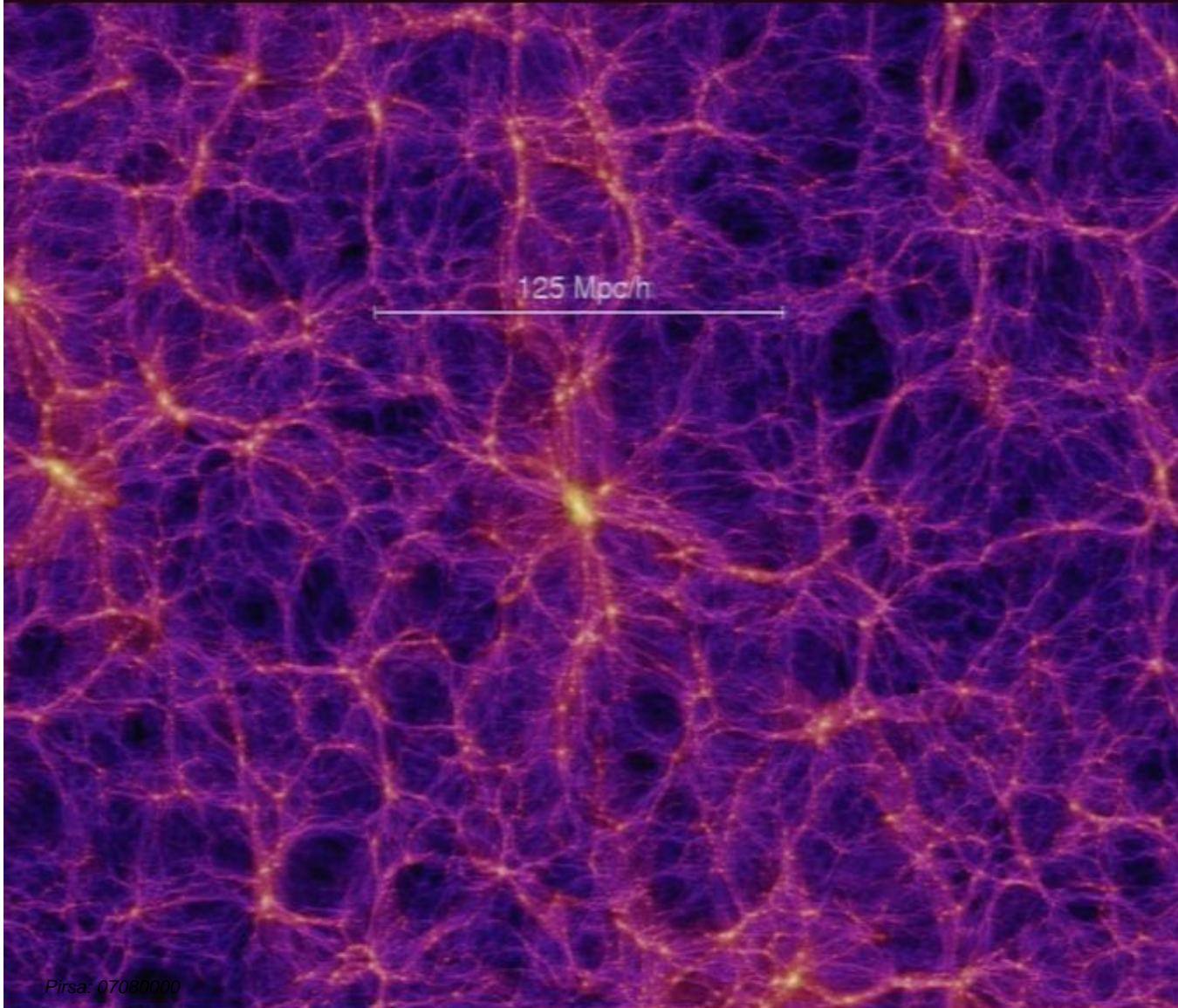


- Where and when did galaxies form?
- How do they evolve w.r.t. DM?

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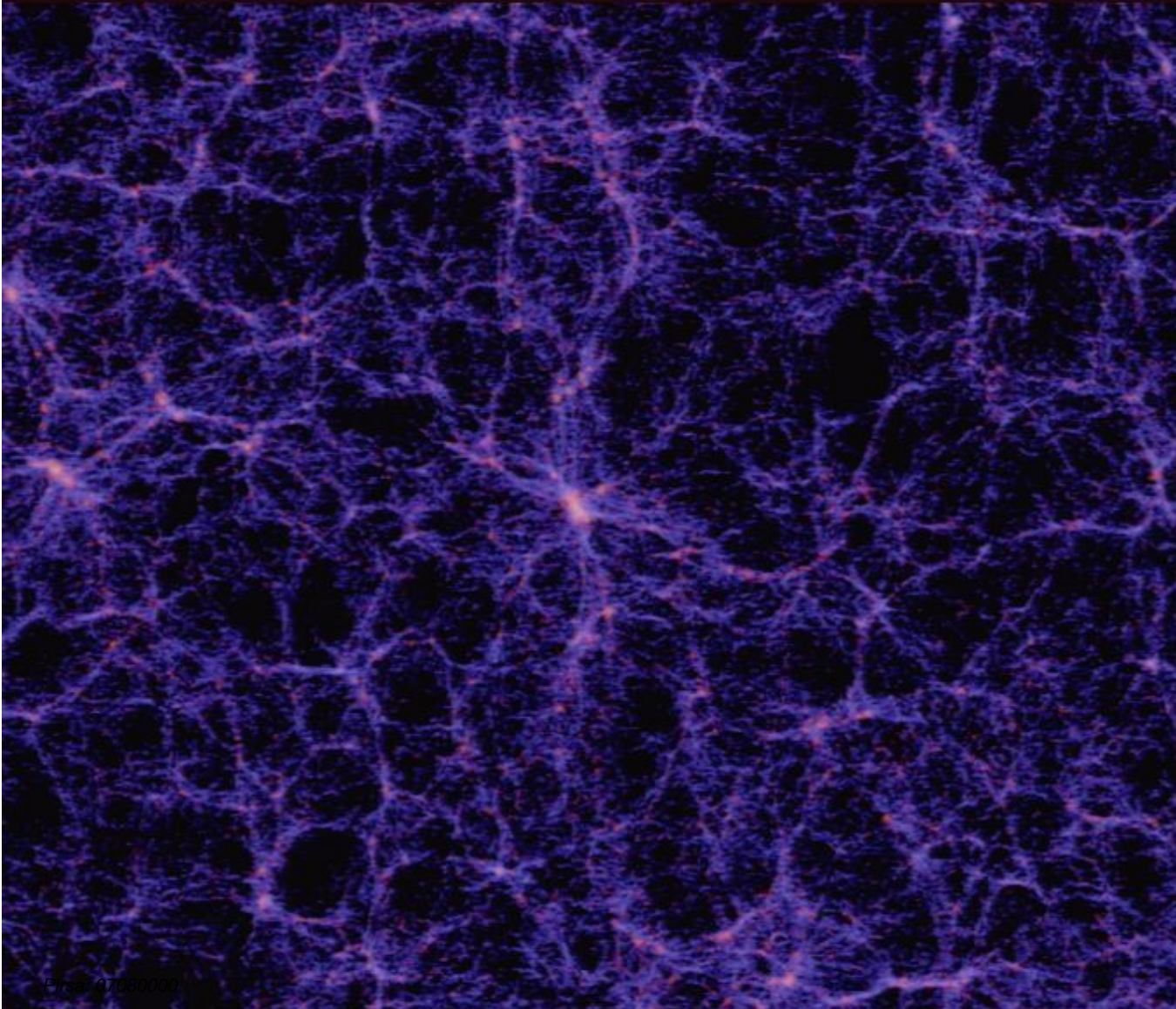
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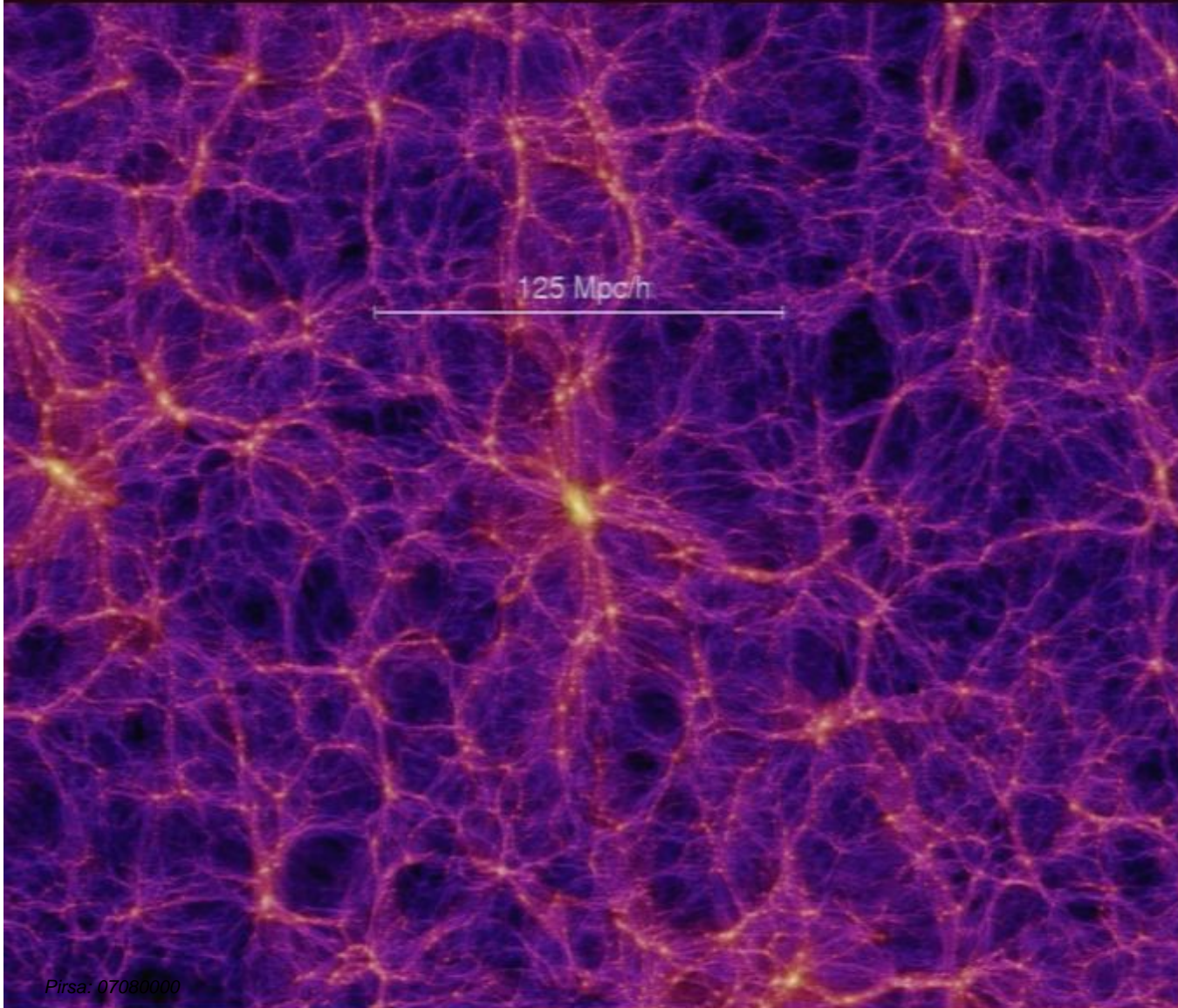
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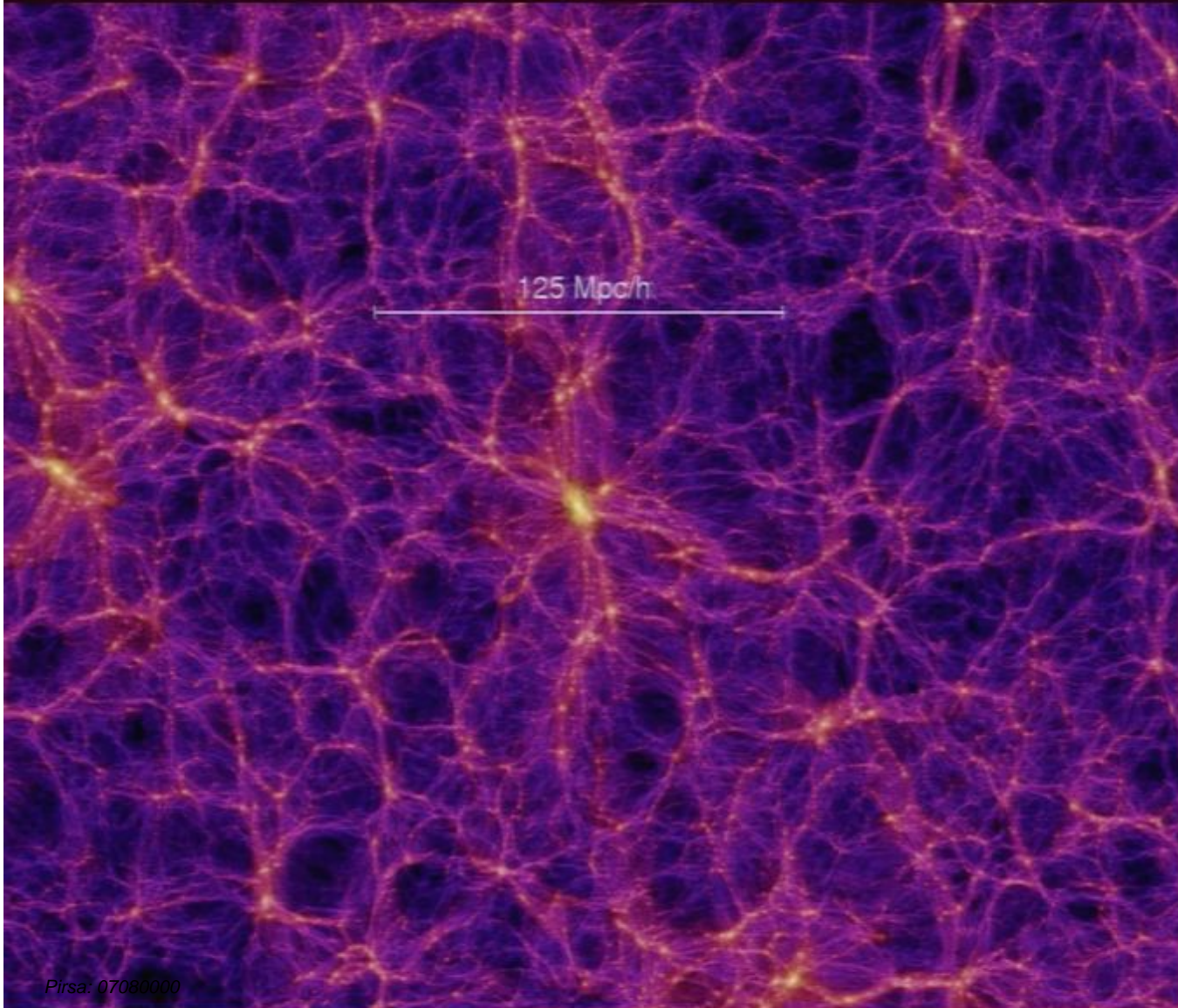
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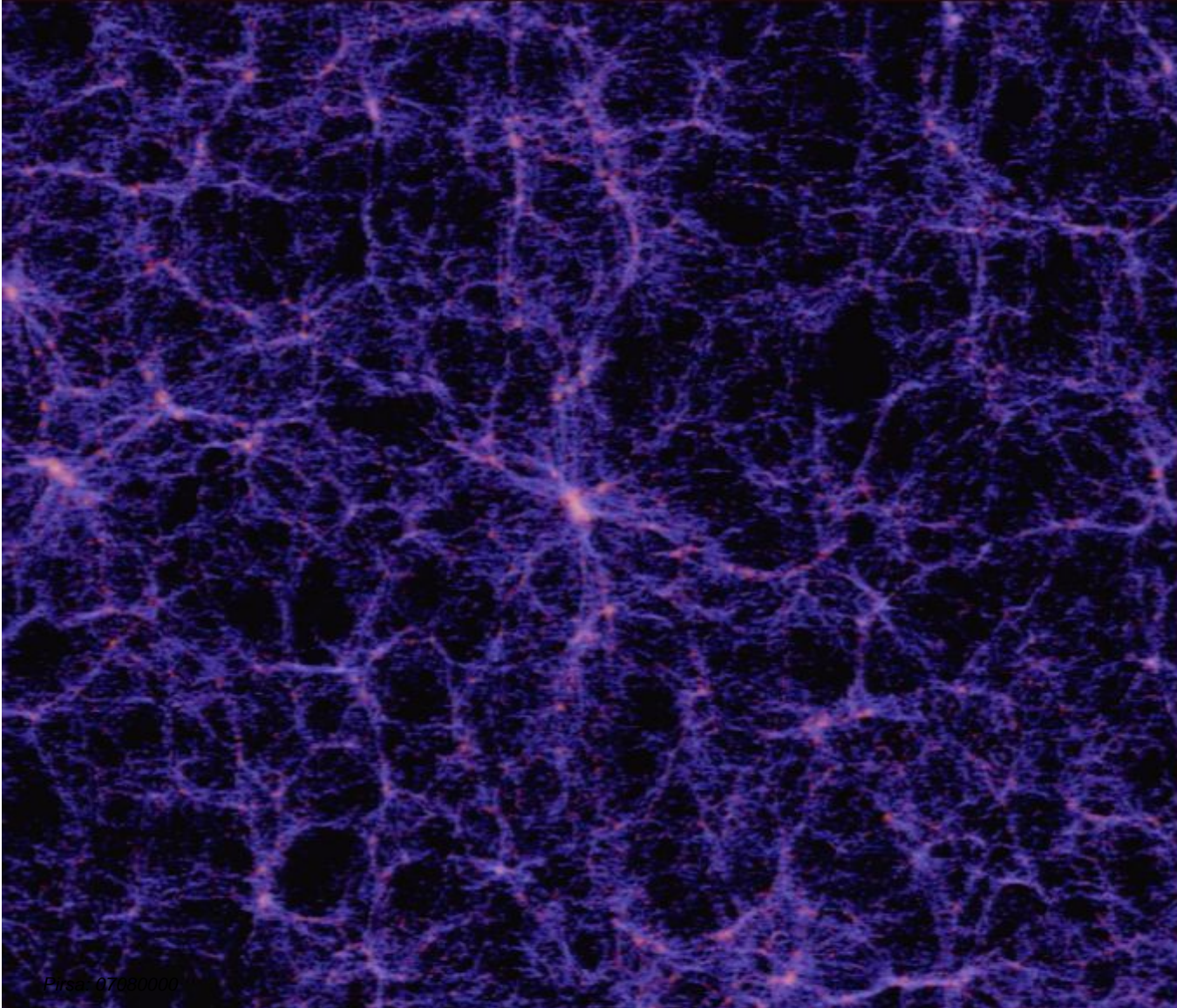
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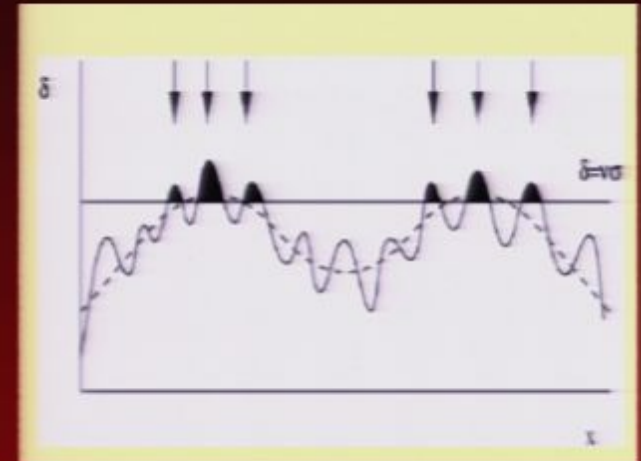
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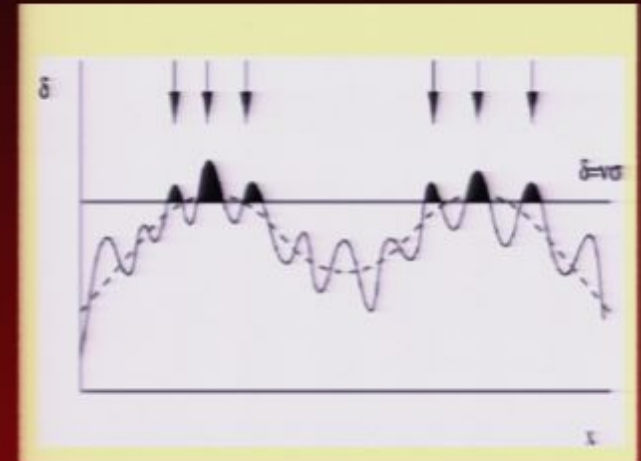
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- It might evolve with time!

galaxies are initially biased ($\delta_g = b\delta$) and satisfy continuity (they are neither formed nor destroyed during evolution) then there is a natural gravitational debiasing mechanism

$$\dot{\delta}_g + \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$b(t) - 1 \propto \delta^{-1}$$

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Bias decrease in time while remaining constant in space

Sample: Deep "cone" (2h Field: first-epoch data)

• ~10000 galaxies with
secure redshifts, $I_{AB} \leq 24$

• Coverage:
0.7x0.7 sq. deg
(40x40 Mpc at $z=1.5$)

• Volume sampled:
 $2 \times 10^6 \text{ Mpc}^3$ (~CfA2)
(1/16th of final goal)

4300 Mpc

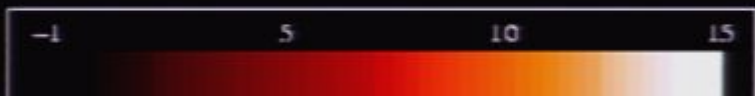
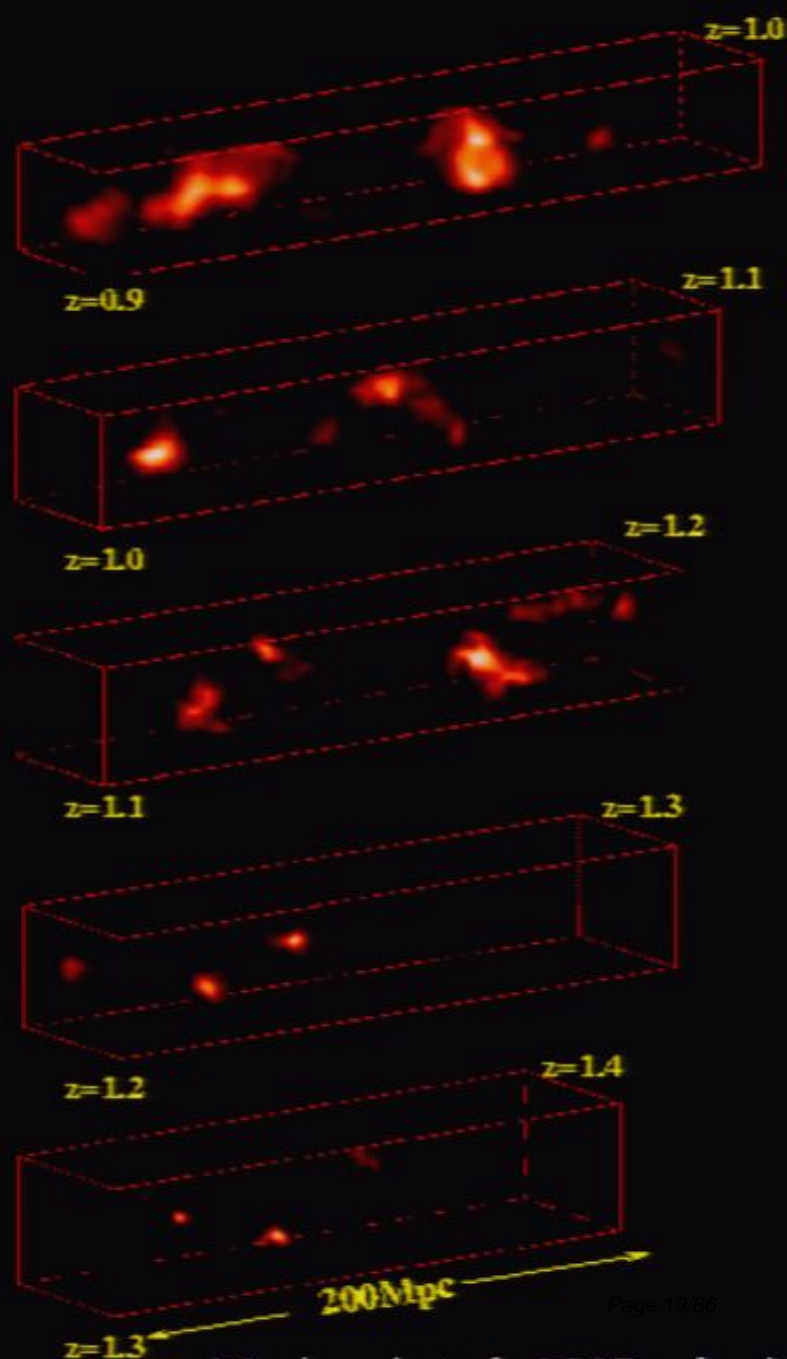
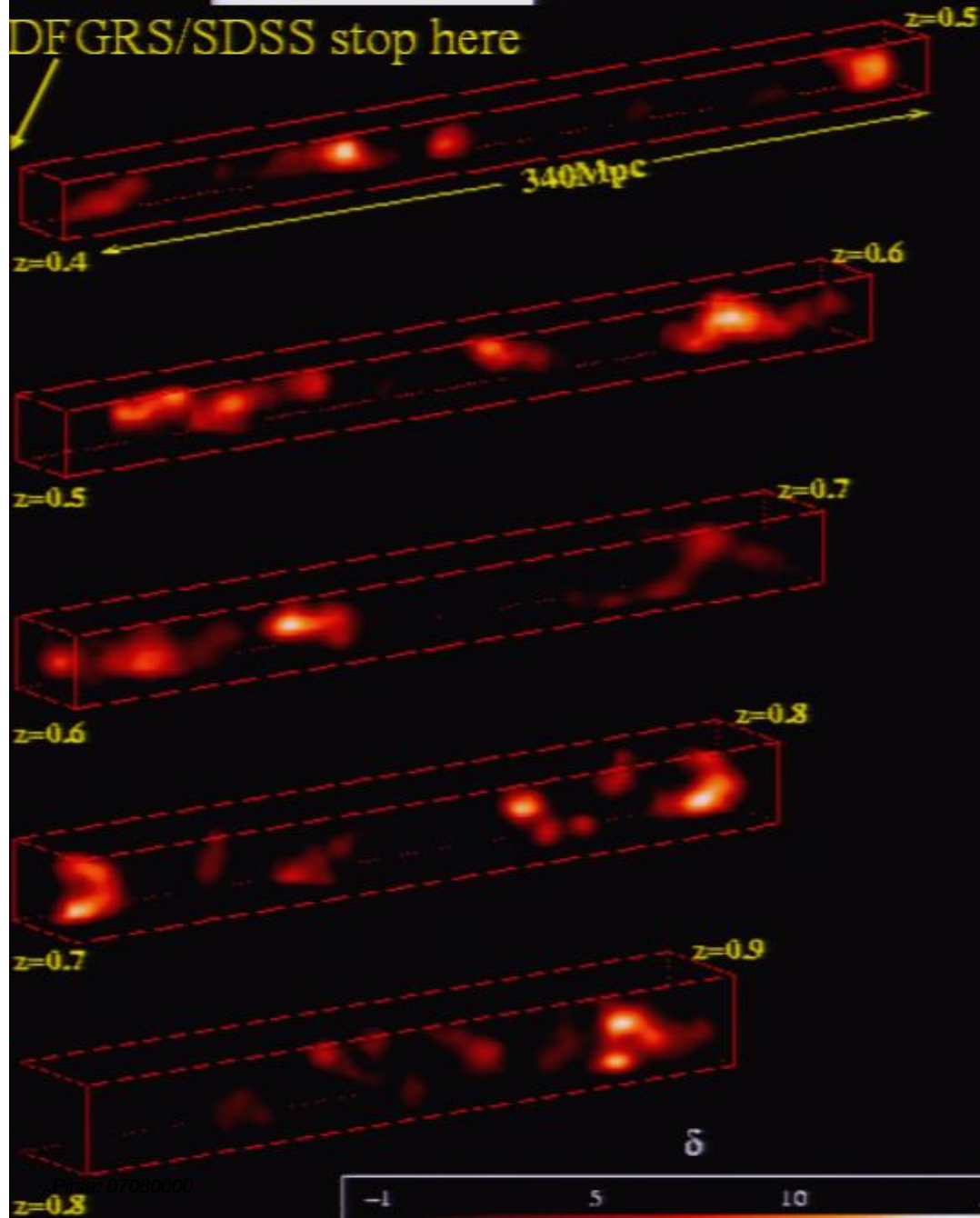
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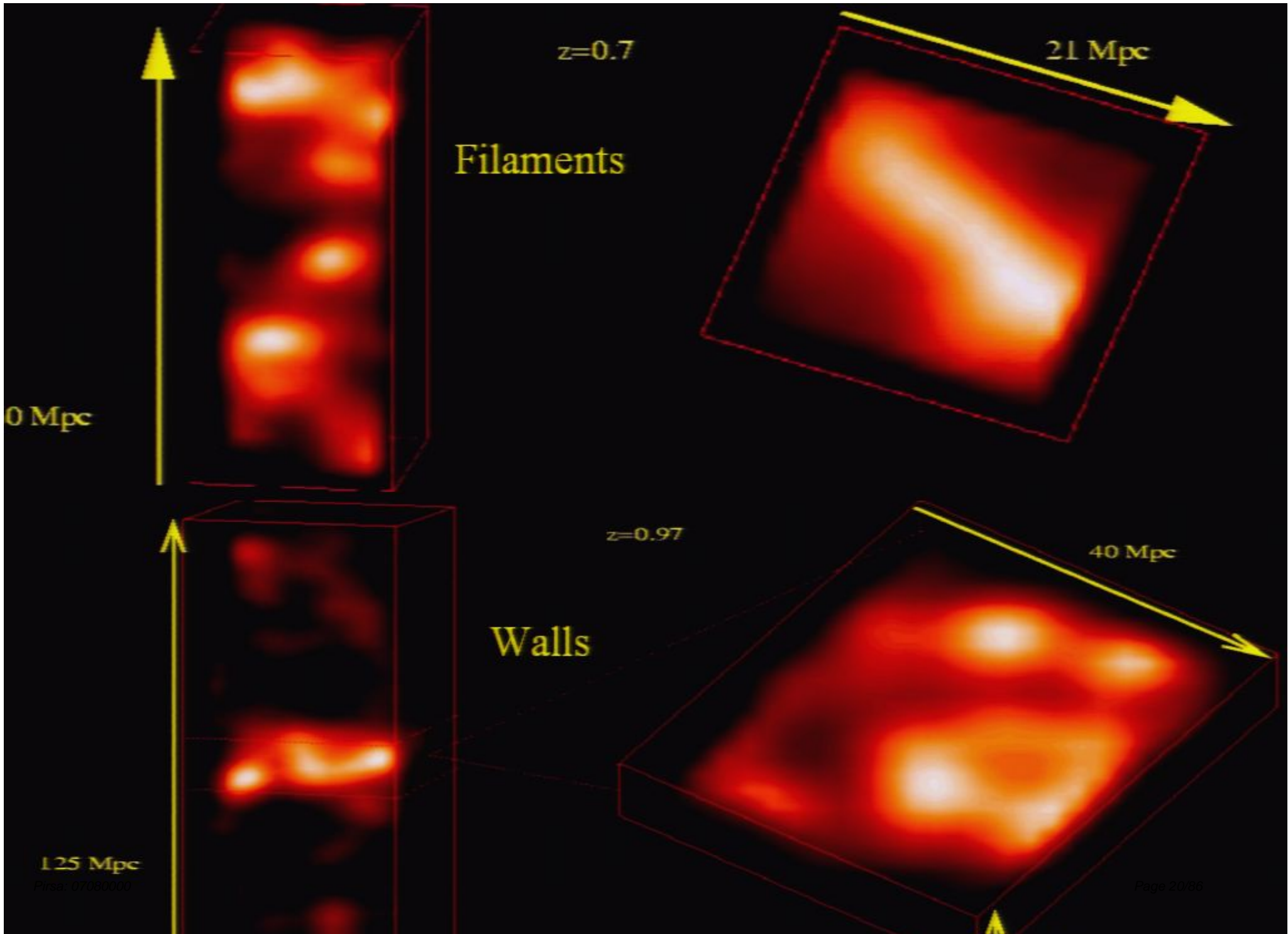
• Mean inter-galaxy
separation at $z=0.8$
 $\langle l \rangle \sim 4.3 \text{ Mpc}$ (~2dF at $z=0.1$)

• Sampling rate: 1 over 3
galaxies down to $I=24$

The Density Field

(smoothing $R=2\text{Mpc}$)



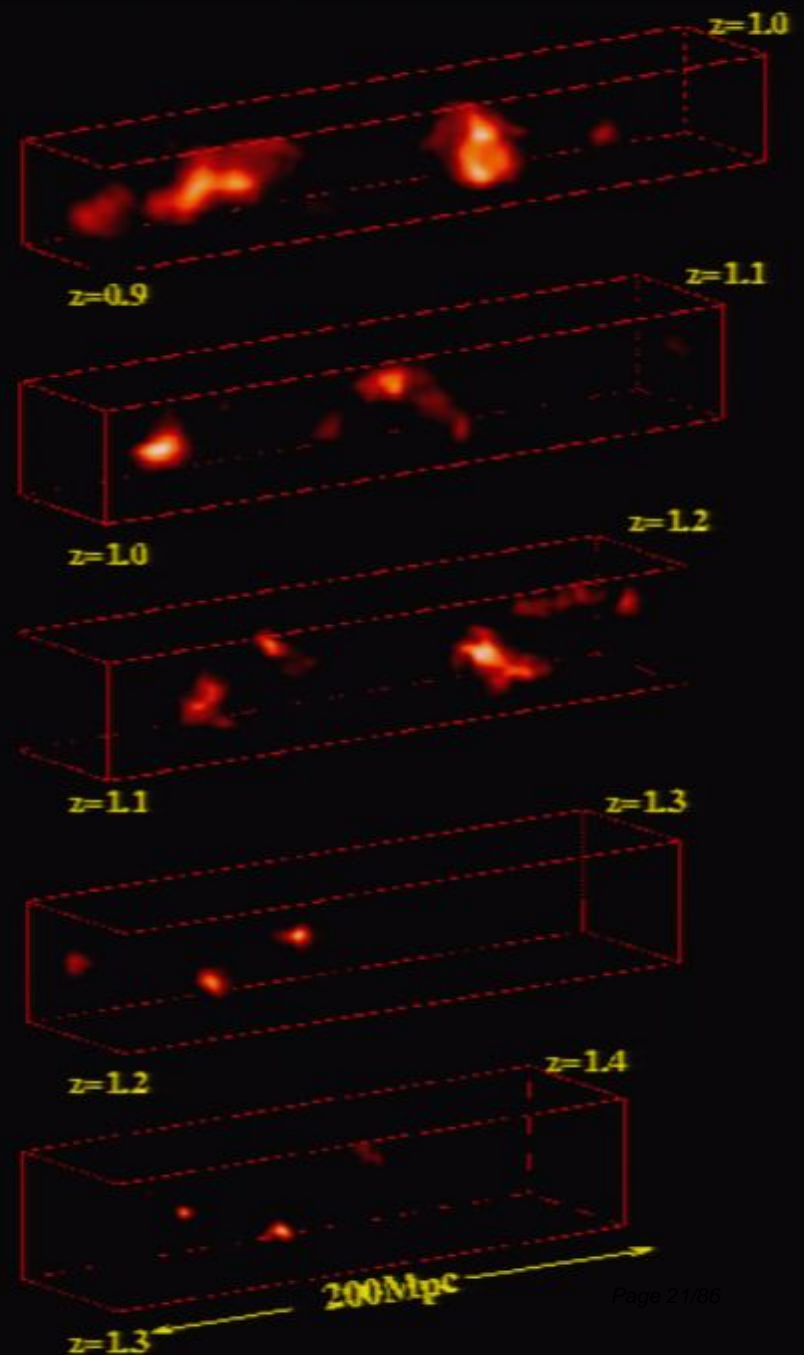
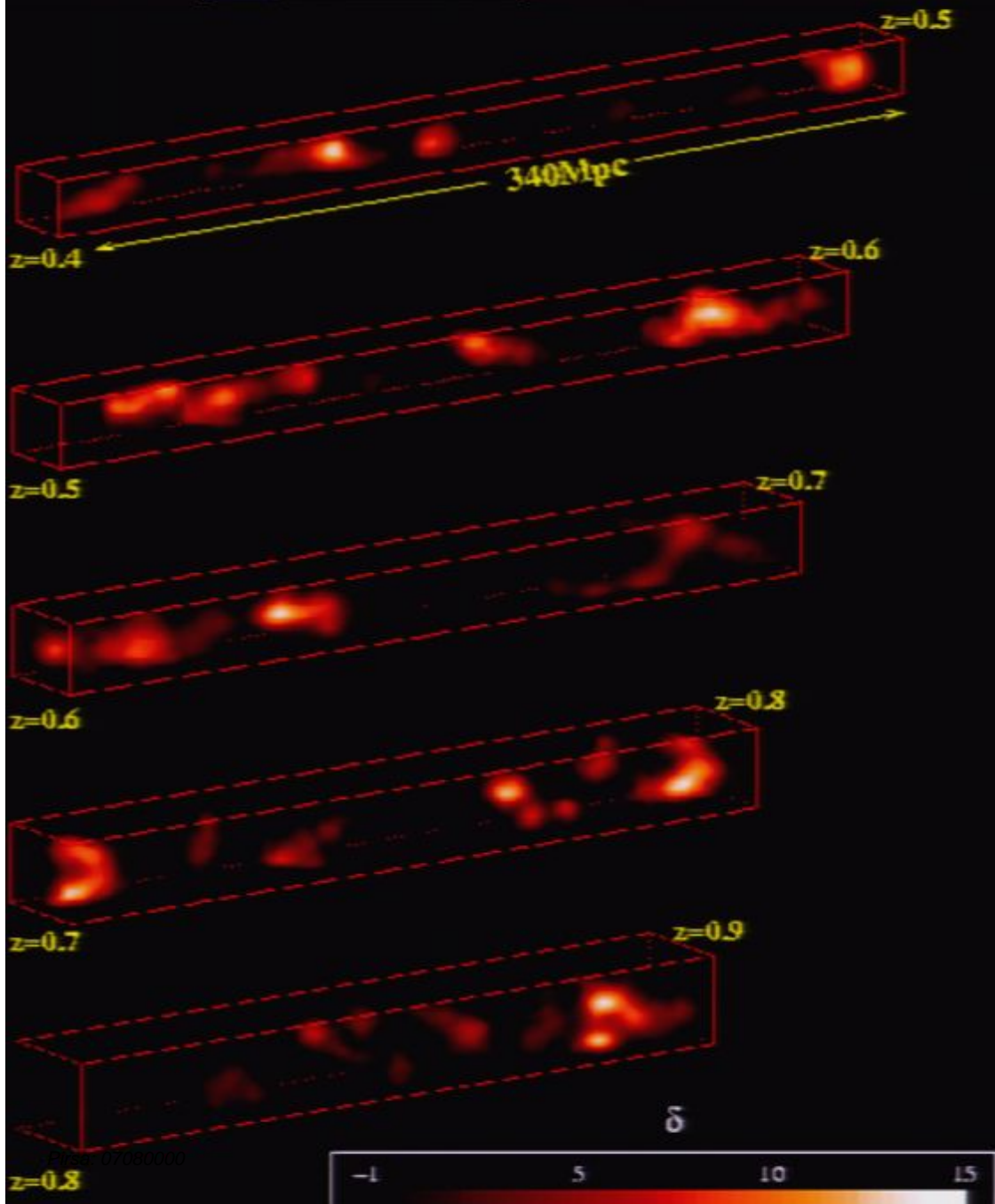


125 Mpc

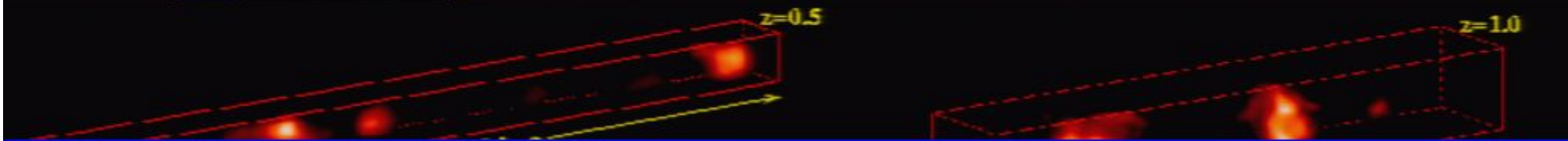
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Traditionally the density field has been characterized in terms of the auto-correlation function

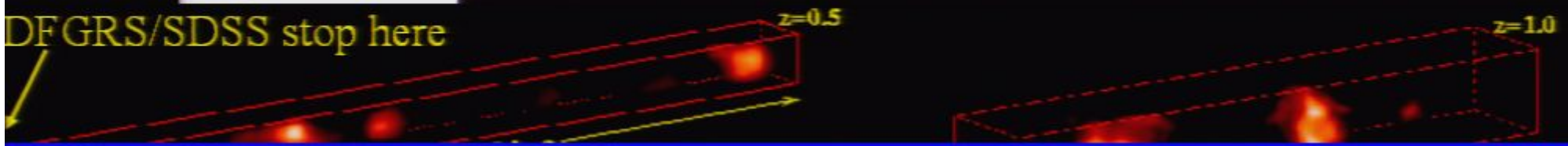
$$\xi(\vec{r}) = \langle \delta(\vec{x}) \delta(\vec{x} + \vec{r}) \rangle$$

Excess probability, with respect to random, of finding two fluctuations with separation r

If the distribution is gaussian then the statistical properties of the delta field are completely determined by the 2point correlation function

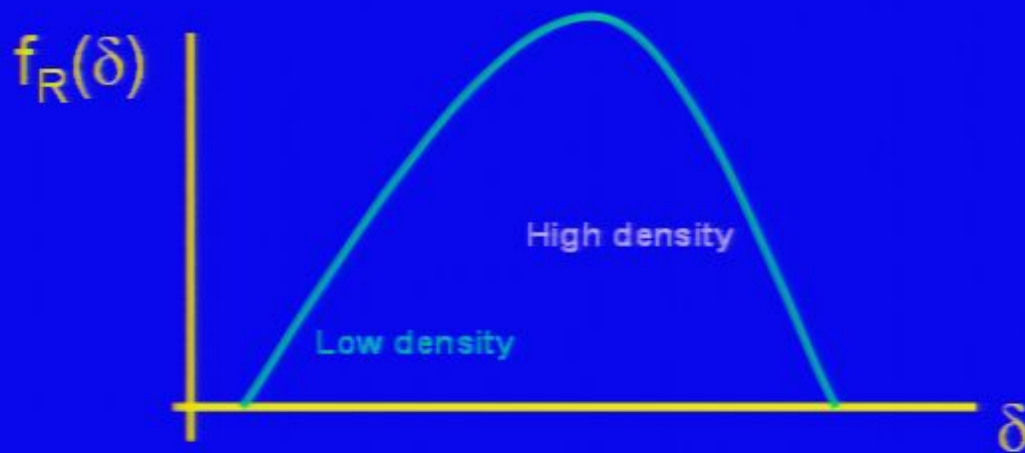
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The Probability Distribution Function (PDF) of galaxy overdensities

Probability of having a density fluctuation in the range $(\delta, \delta+d\delta)$ within a sphere of radius R randomly located in the survey volume



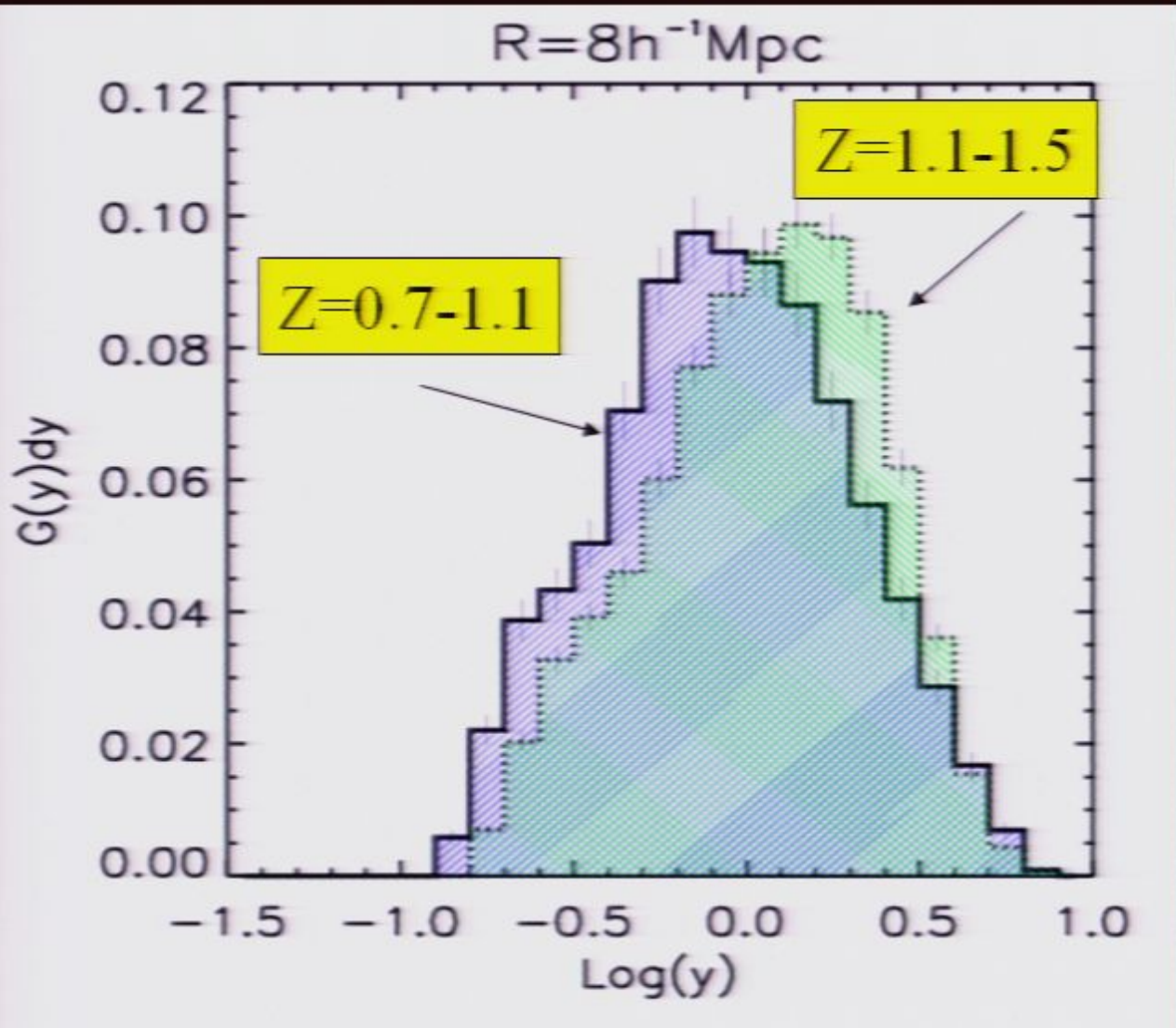
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$z=1.3$ 200Mpc

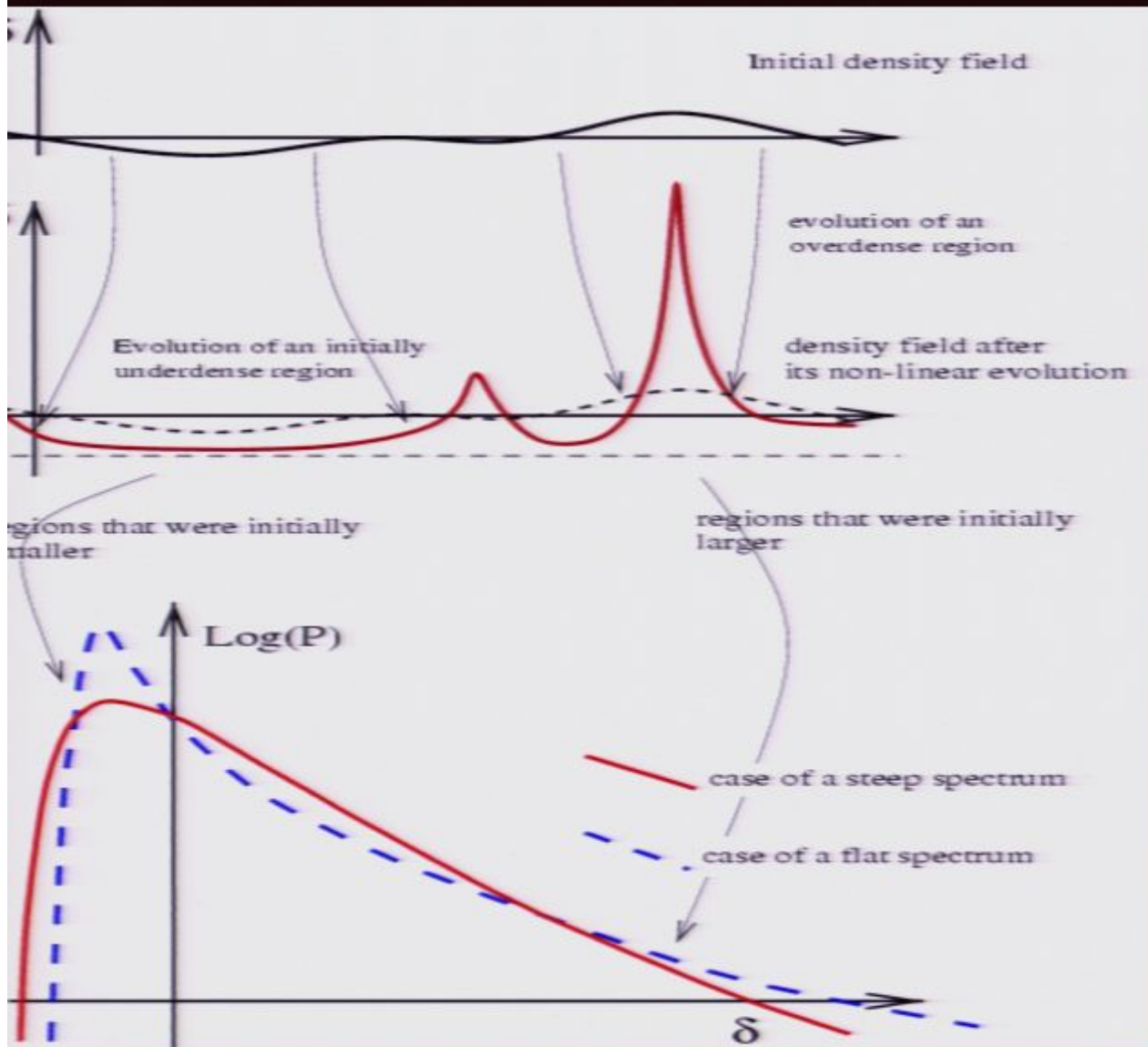
Time Evolution of the galaxy PDF

The 1P-PDF of galaxy overdensities $g_R(\delta)$



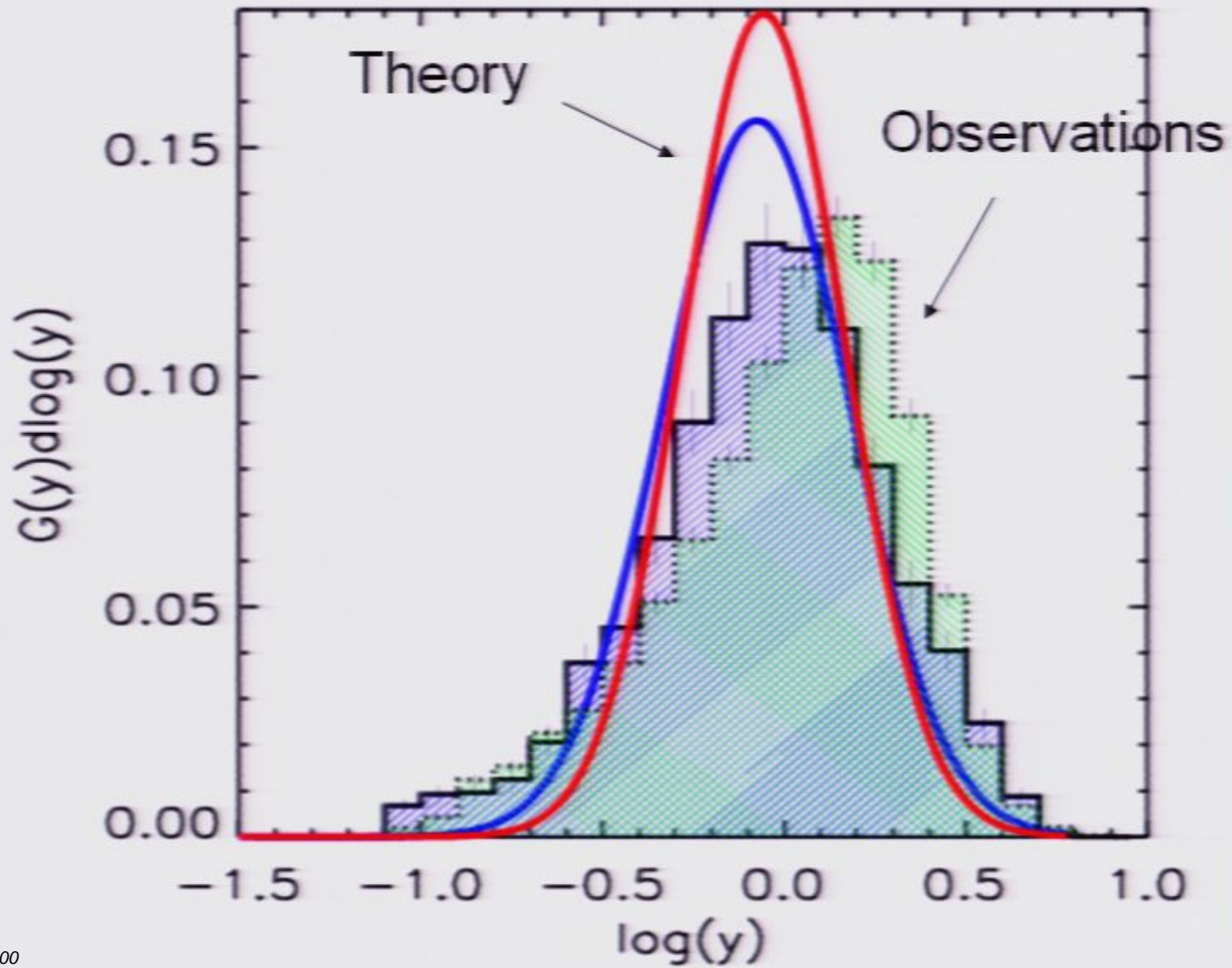
- The PDF is different at different cosmic epochs
- Systematic shift of the peak towards low density regions as a function of cosmic time
- Cosmic space becomes dominated by low density regions at recent epochs

A possible Interpretation

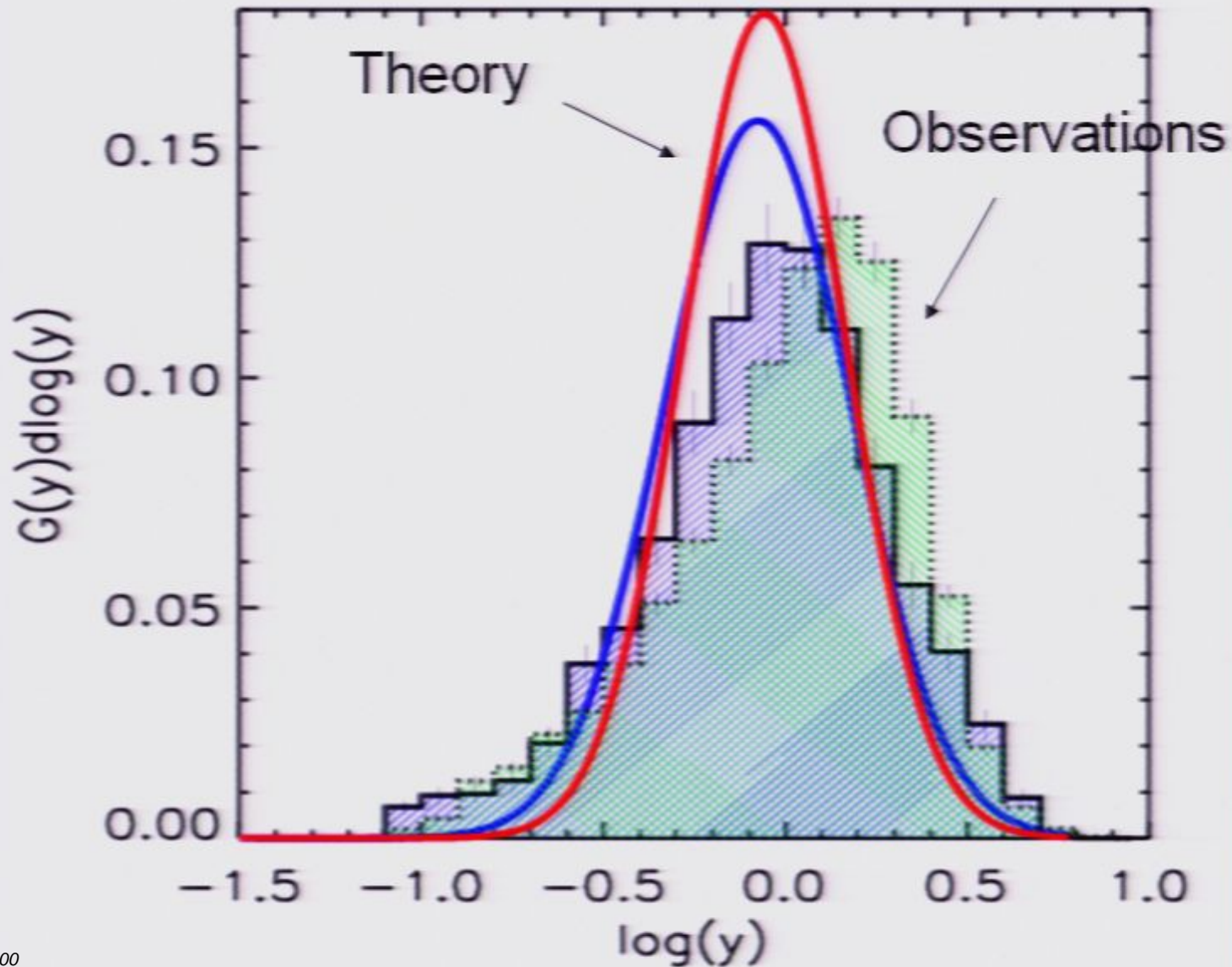


Gravitational instability in an expanding universe

$$\vec{v}(\vec{r}) \propto \int_V \delta(\vec{r}') \frac{\hat{r} - \hat{r}'}{|\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|^2} d^3\vec{r}'$$



Light fluctuations does not trace mass fluctuations on large scales!!



Measuring galaxy bias

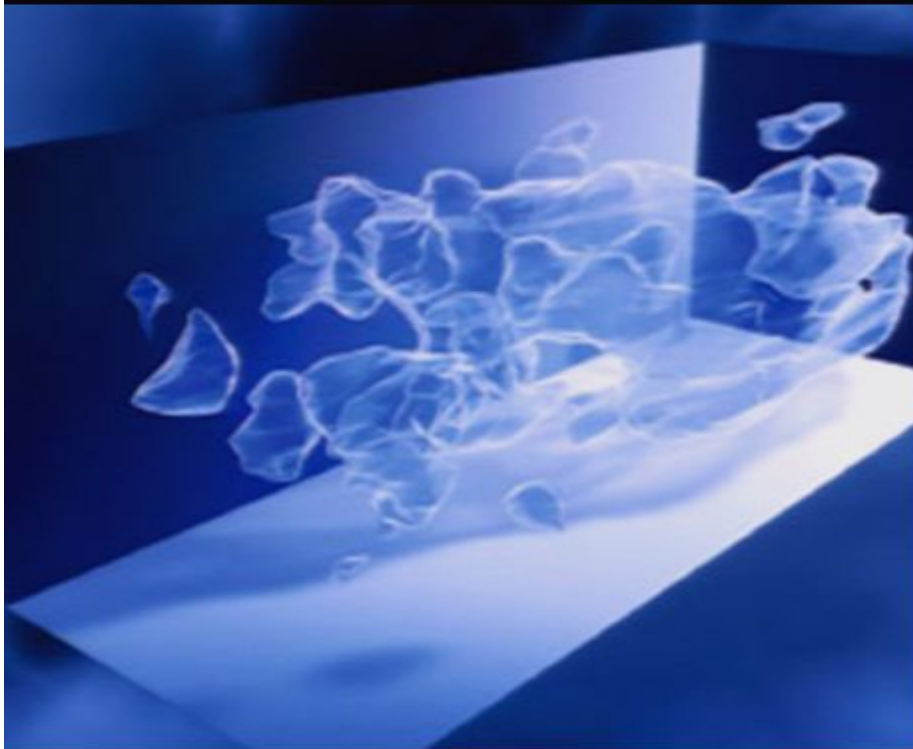
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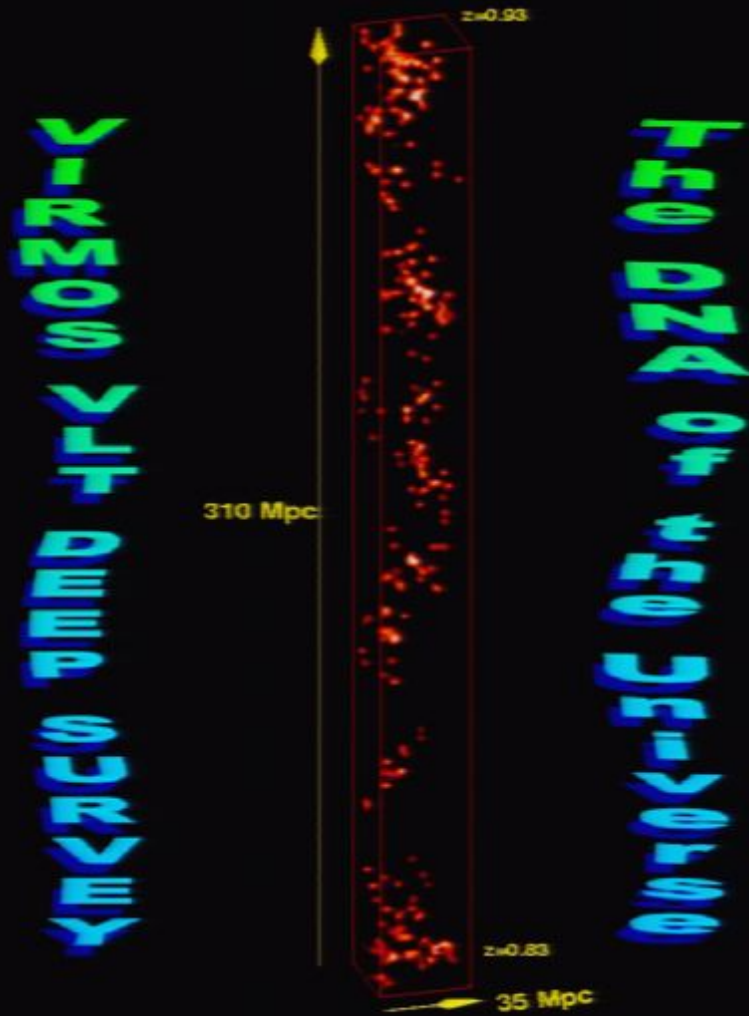
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...BUT THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN'



Massey et al. 2007 (ACS/COSMOS)

www.spacetelescope.org/news/html/heic0701.html



Marinoni et al. 2006 (VIMOS/VLT)

<http://www.eso.org/outreach/press-rel/pr-2006/pr-45-06.htm>

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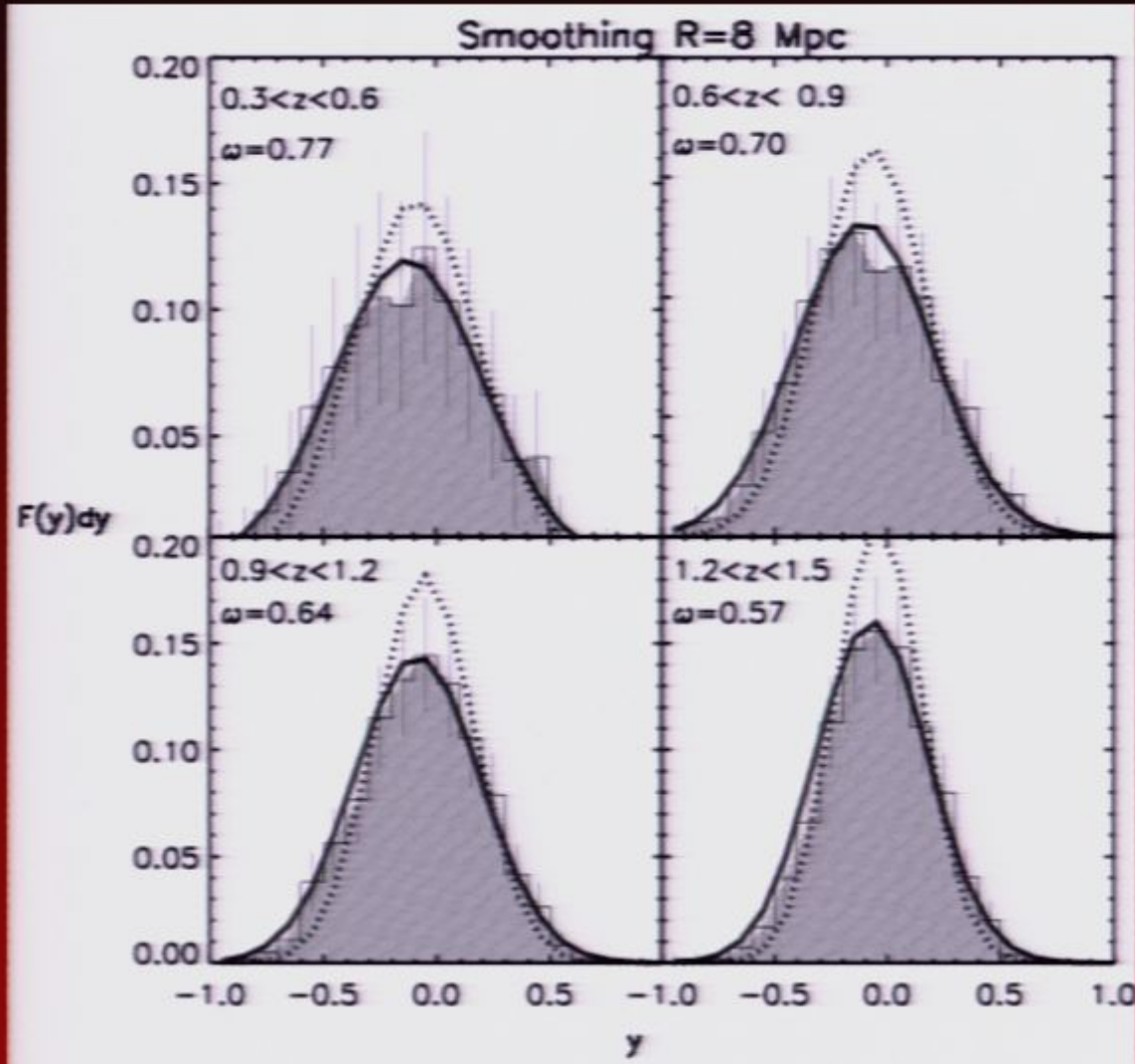
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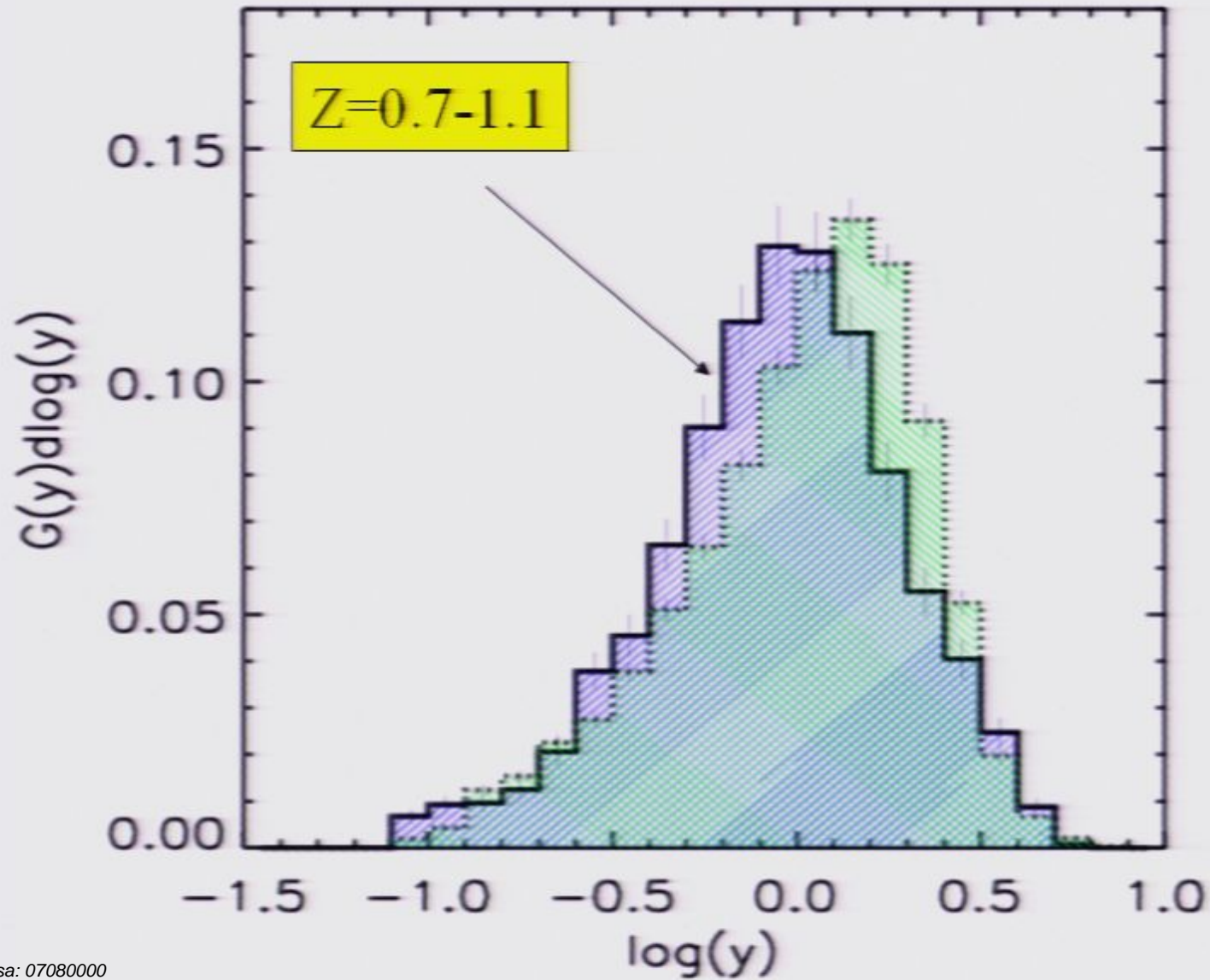
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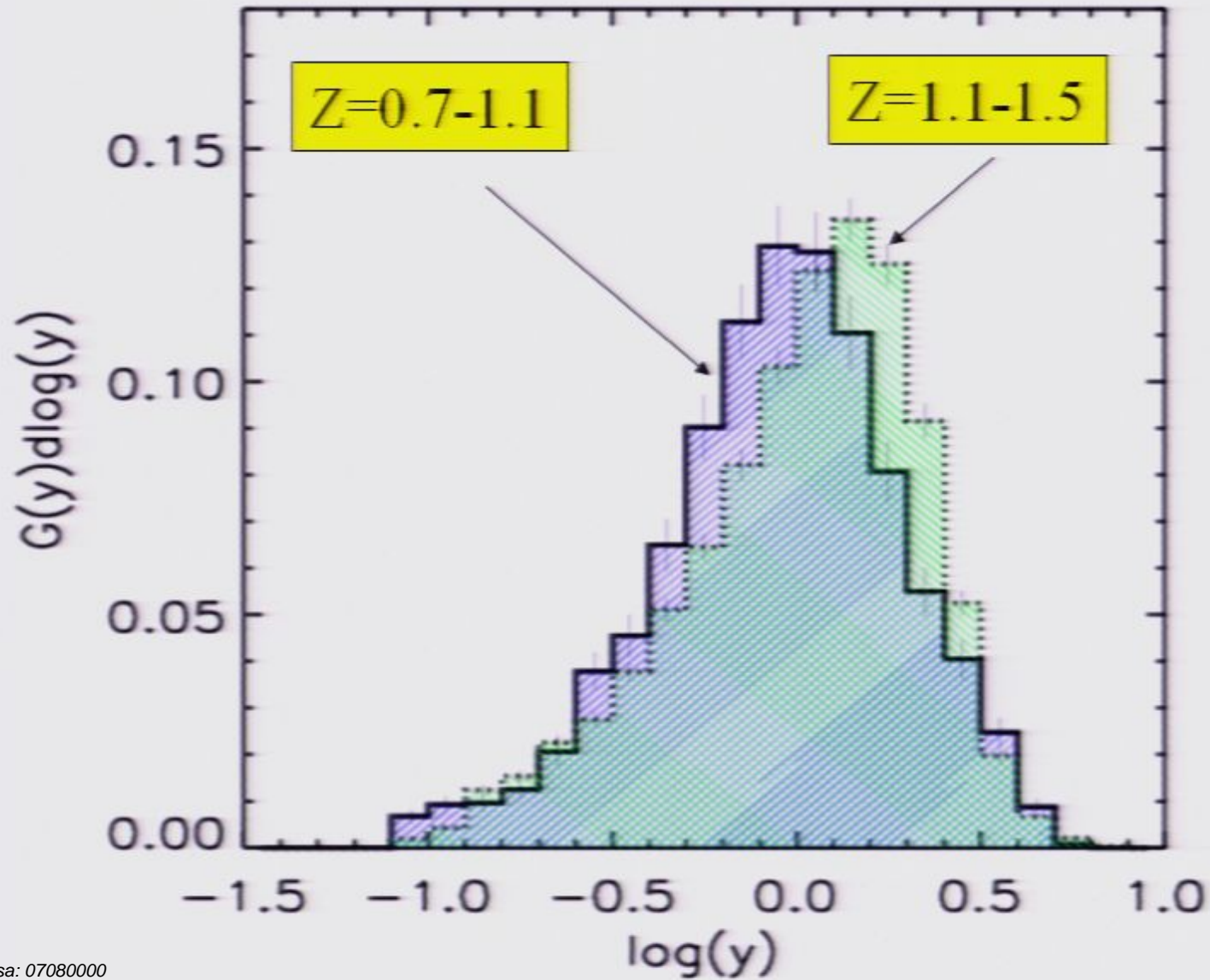
▪ Derive the biasing function $\delta_g = \delta_g(\delta)$

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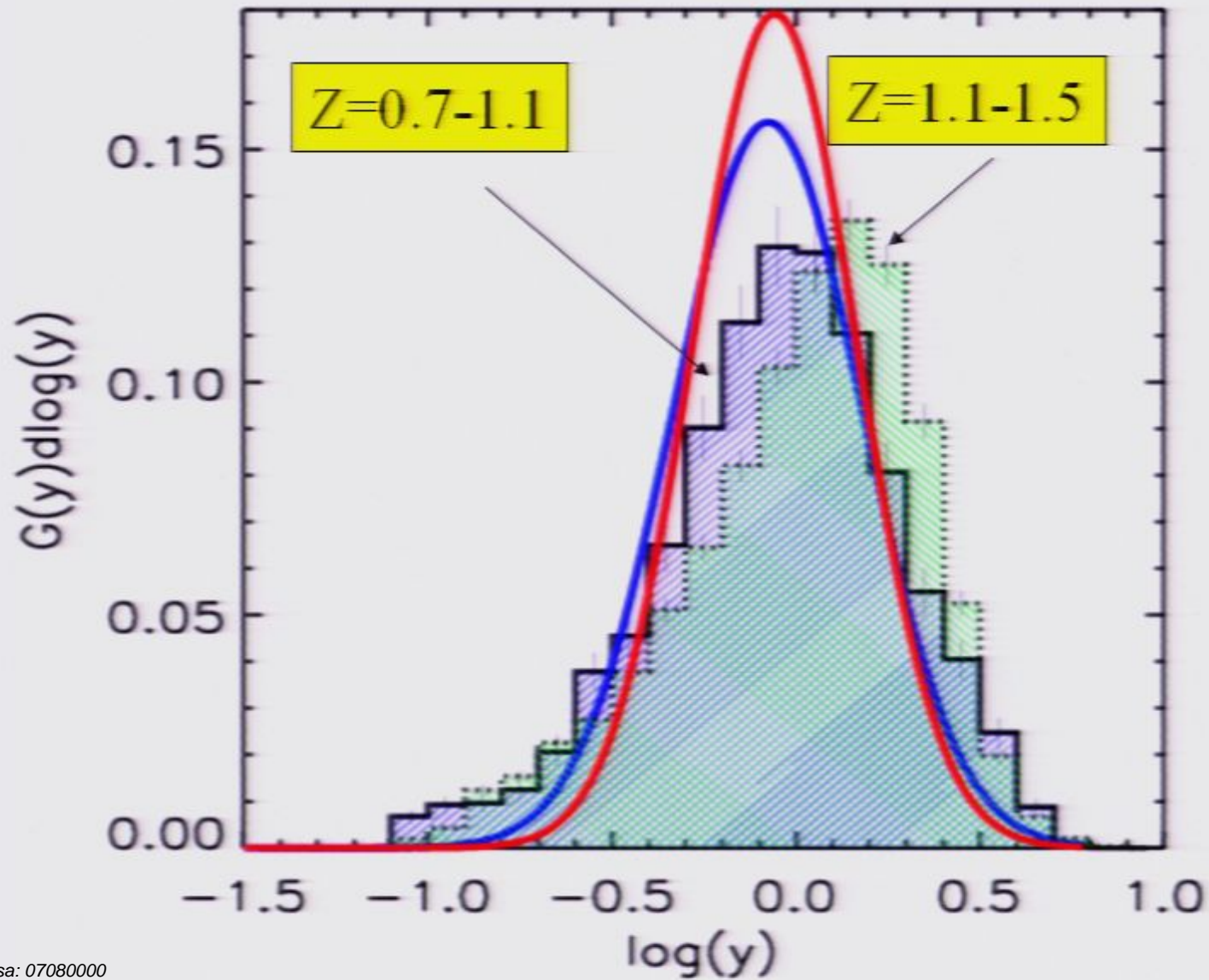
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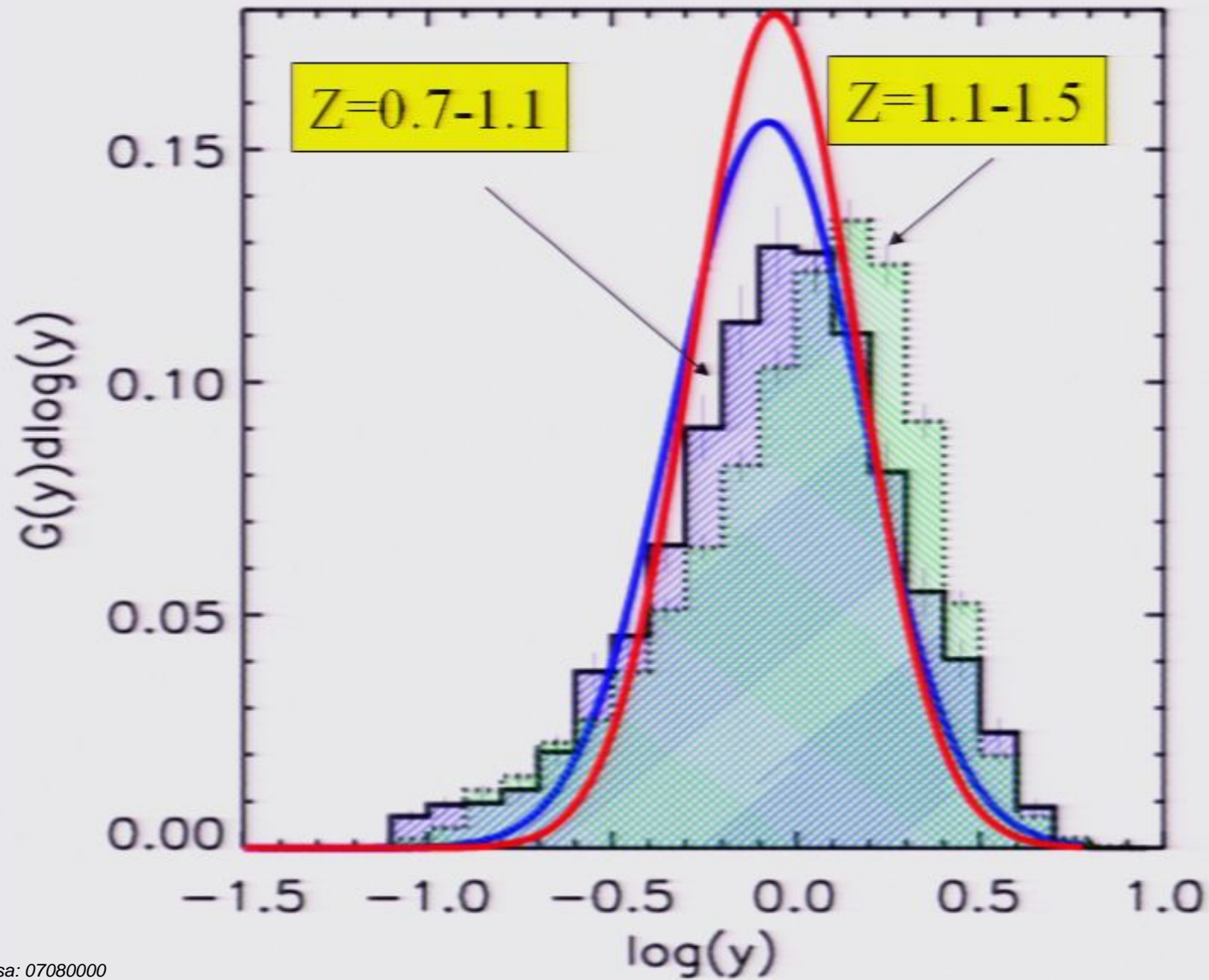
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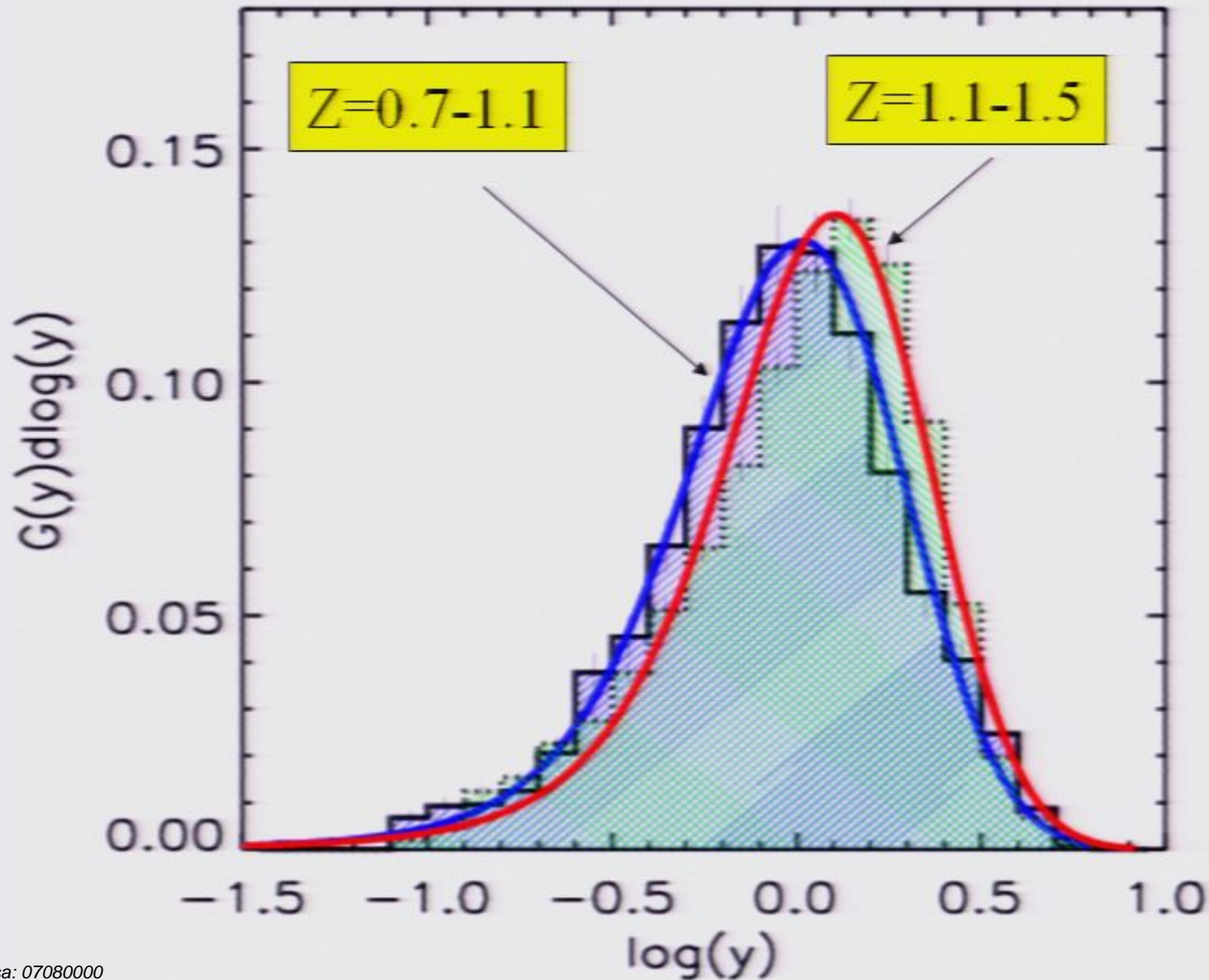
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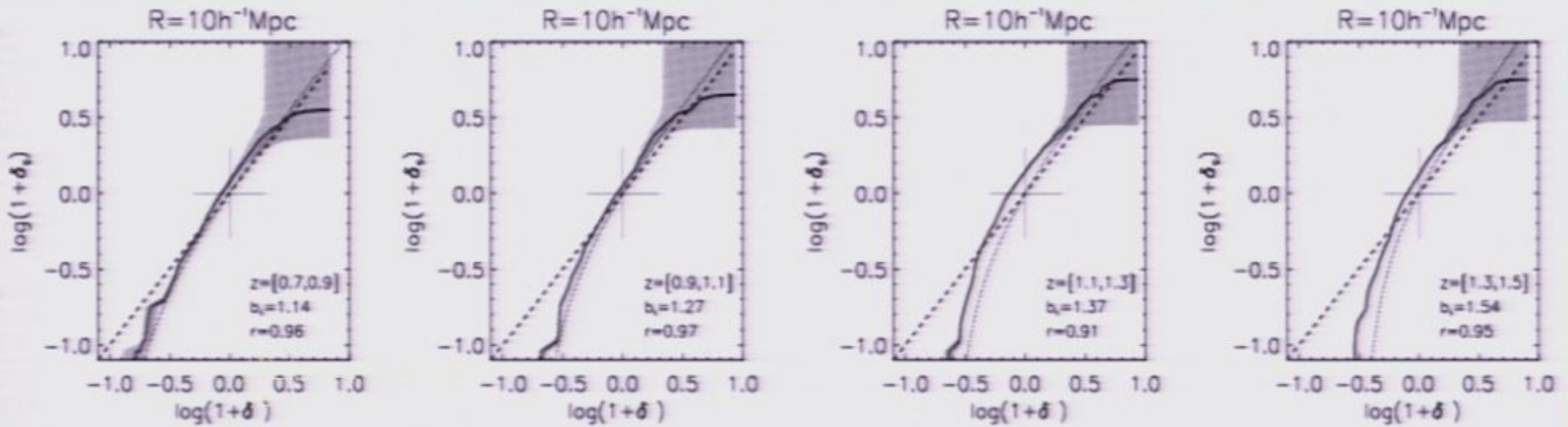
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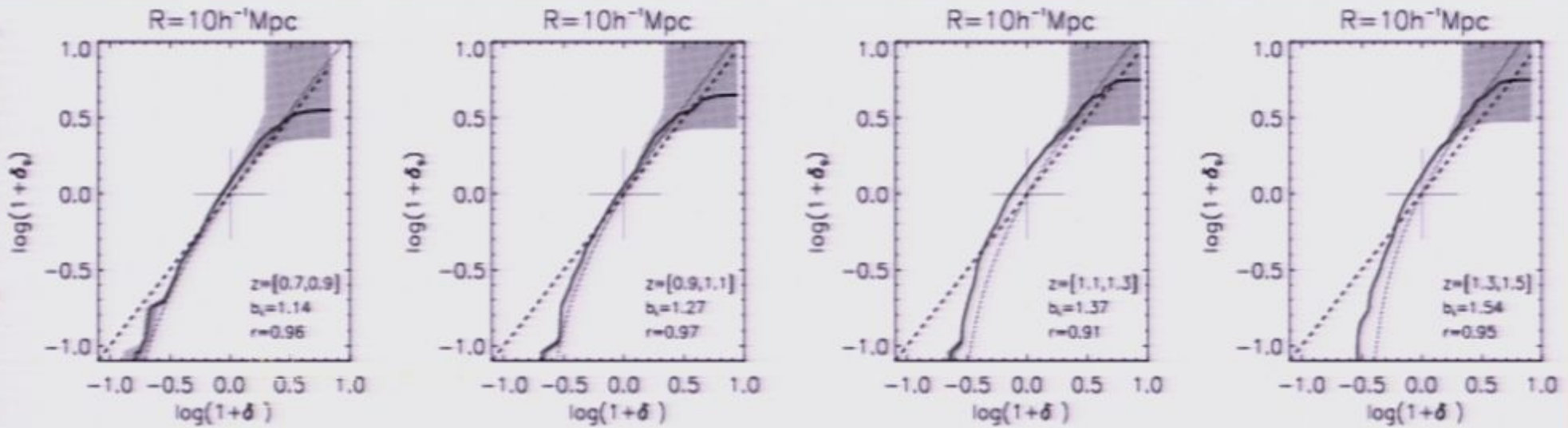
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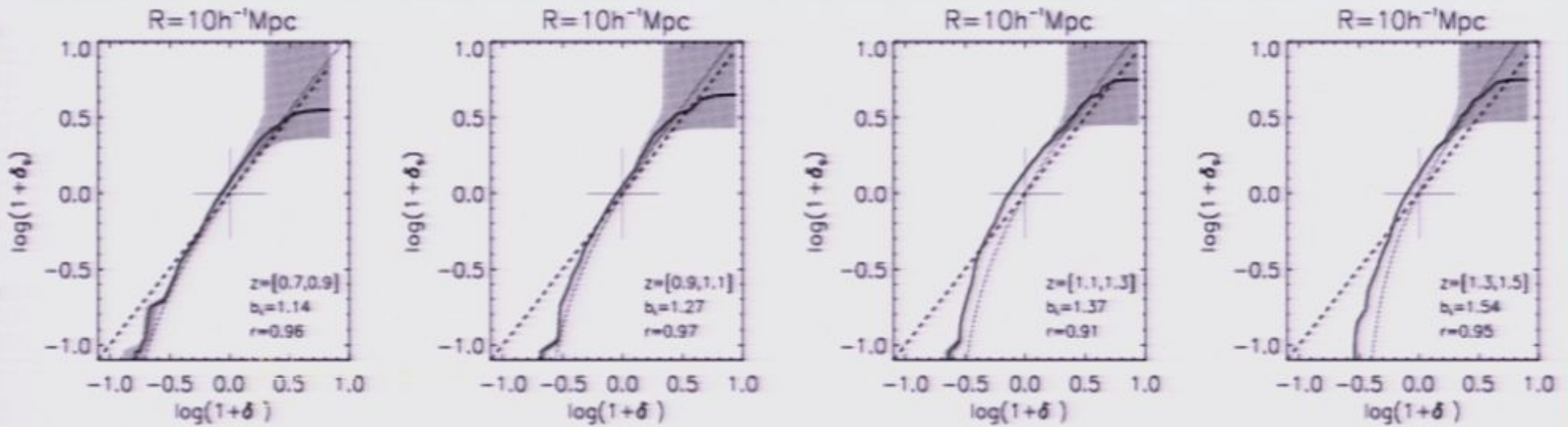
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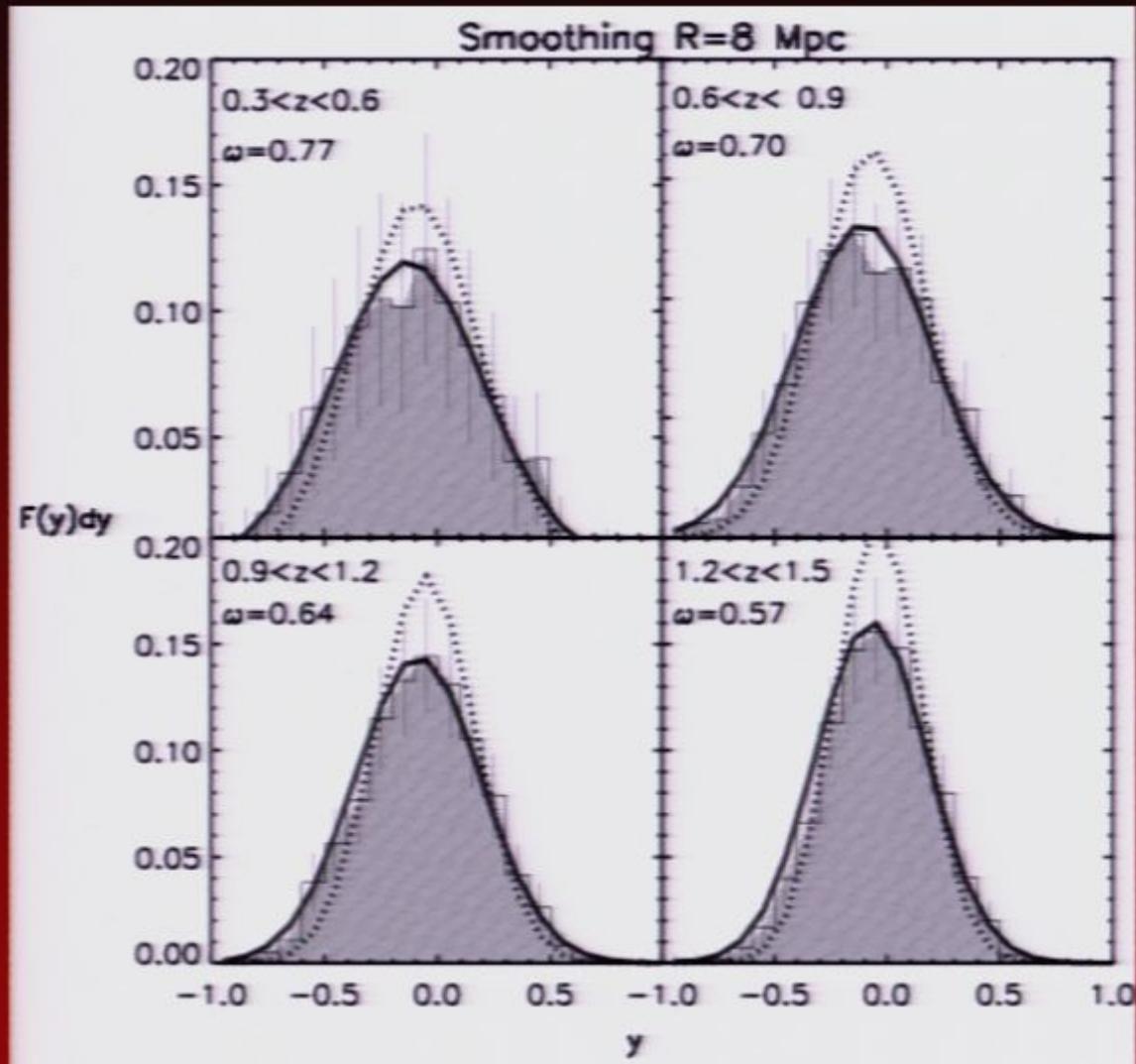
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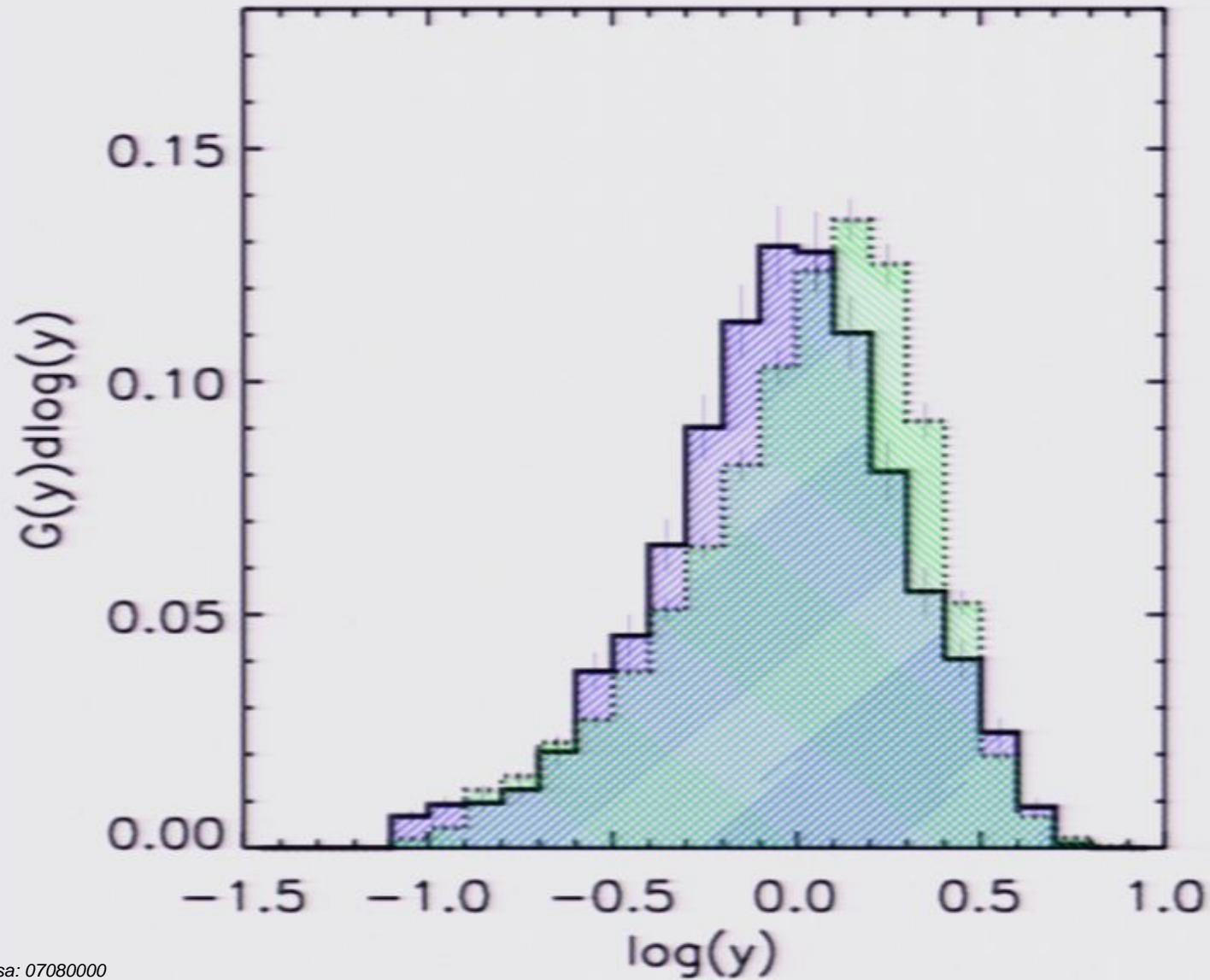
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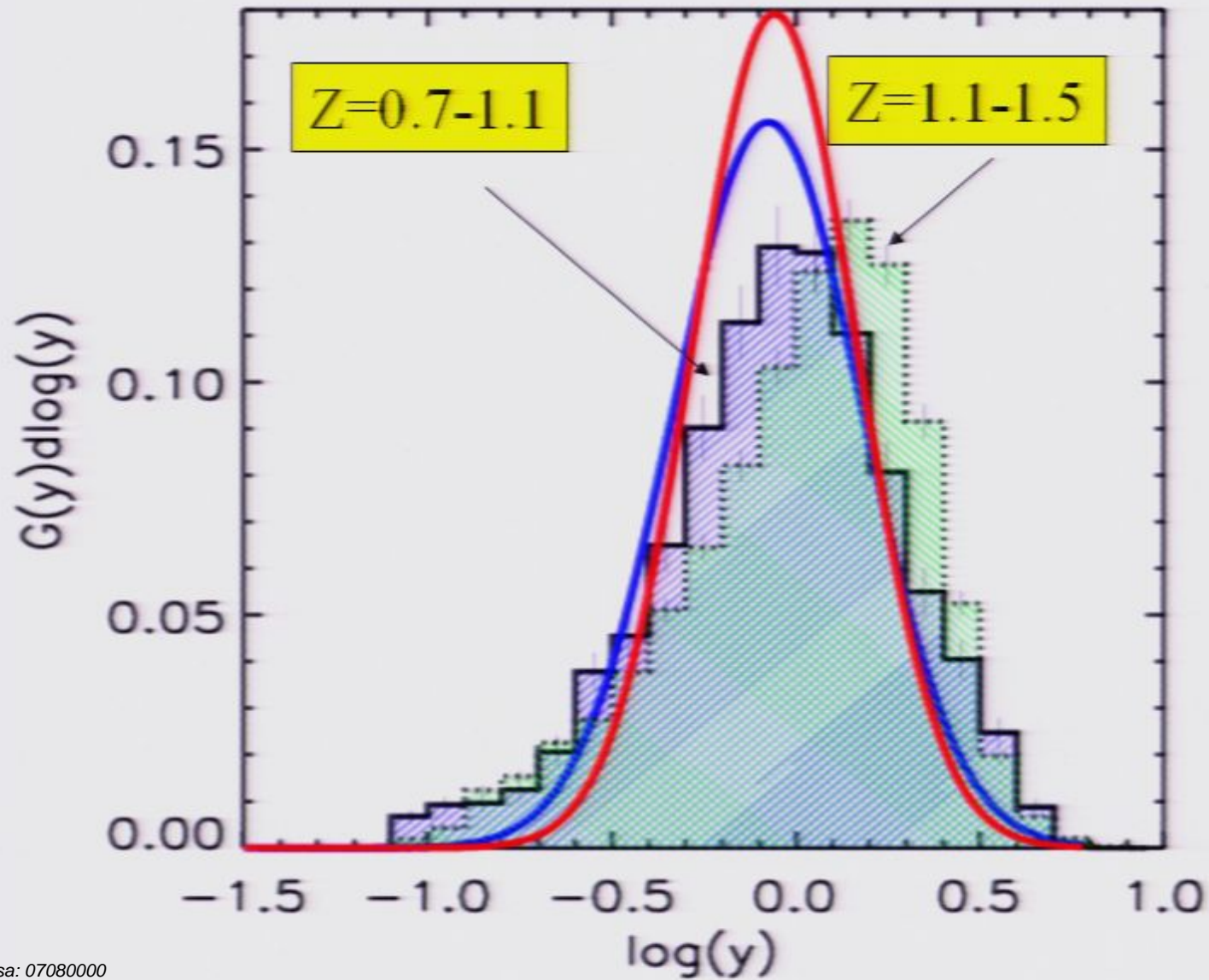
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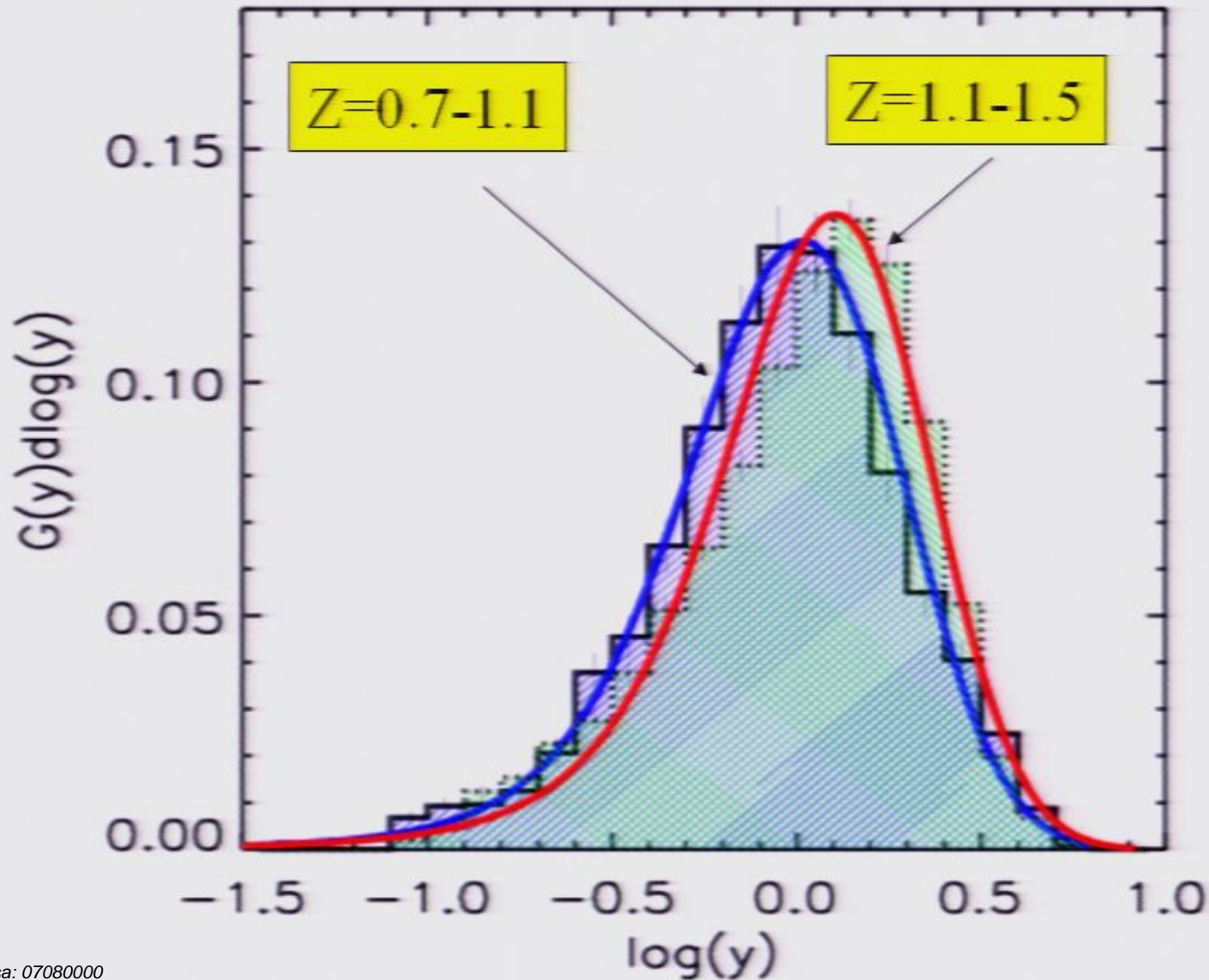
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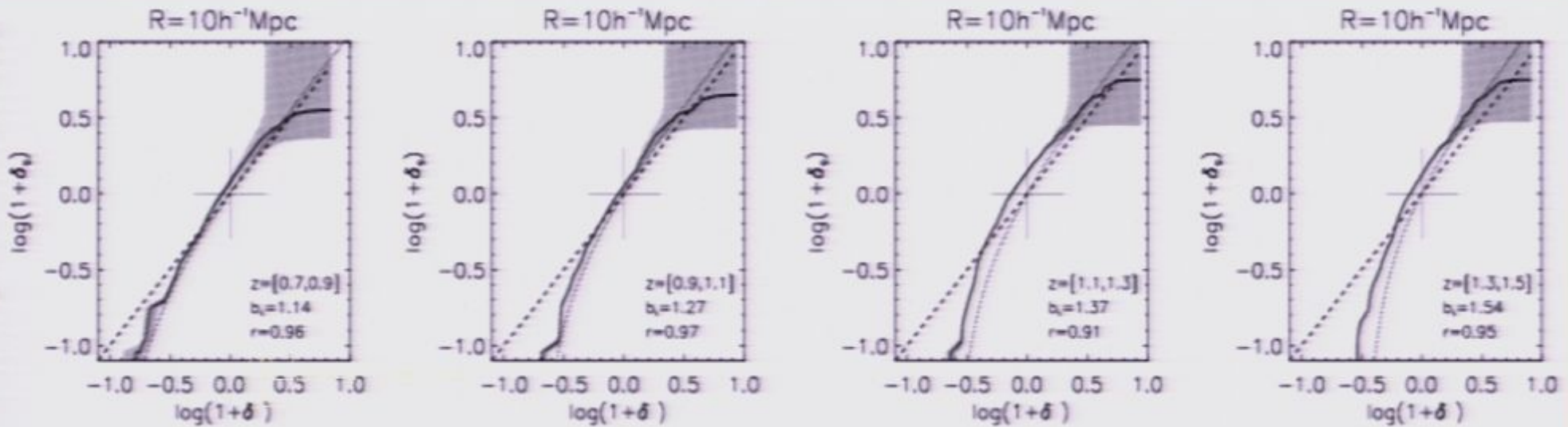
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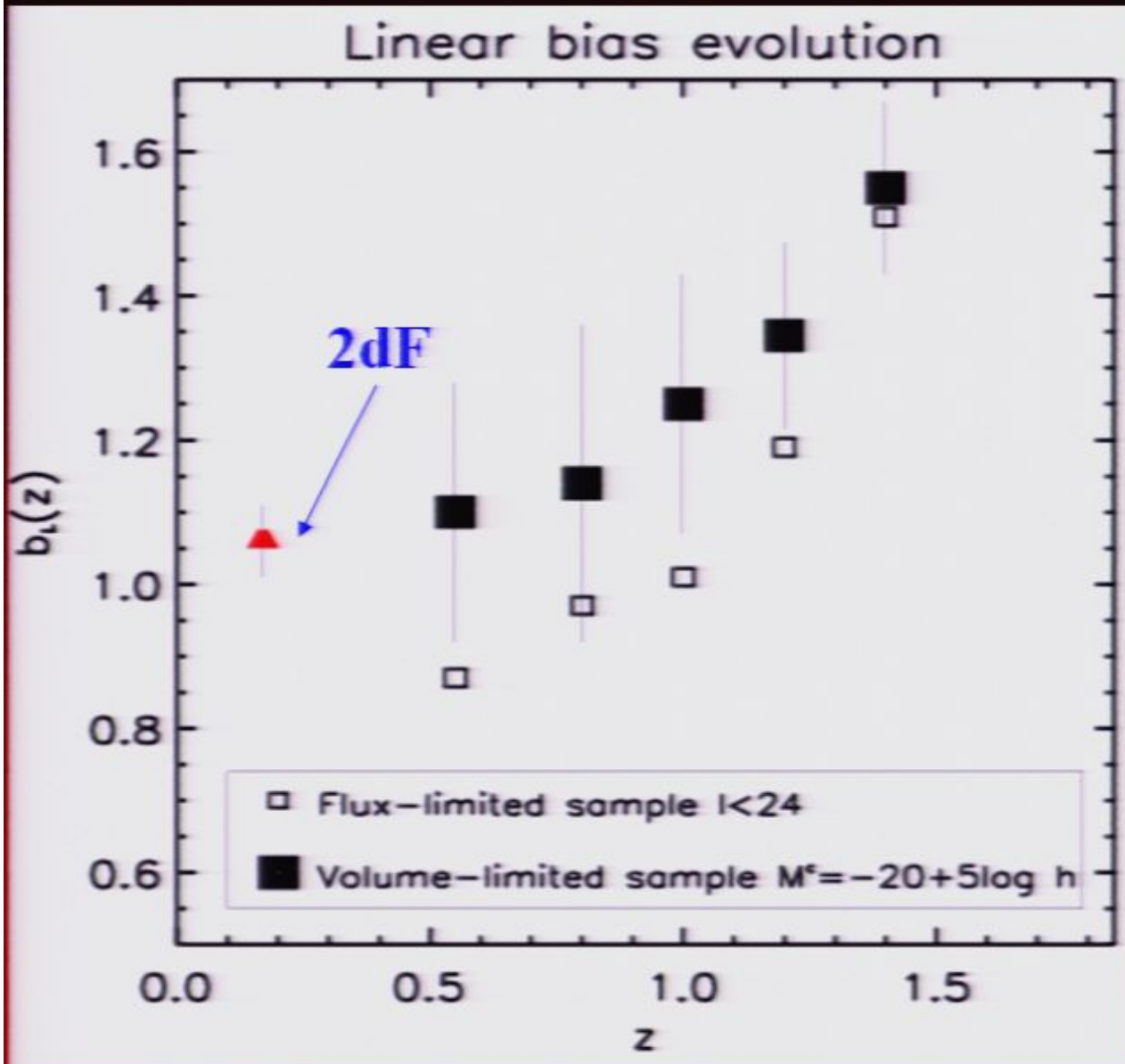
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The linear biasing function: Time evolution



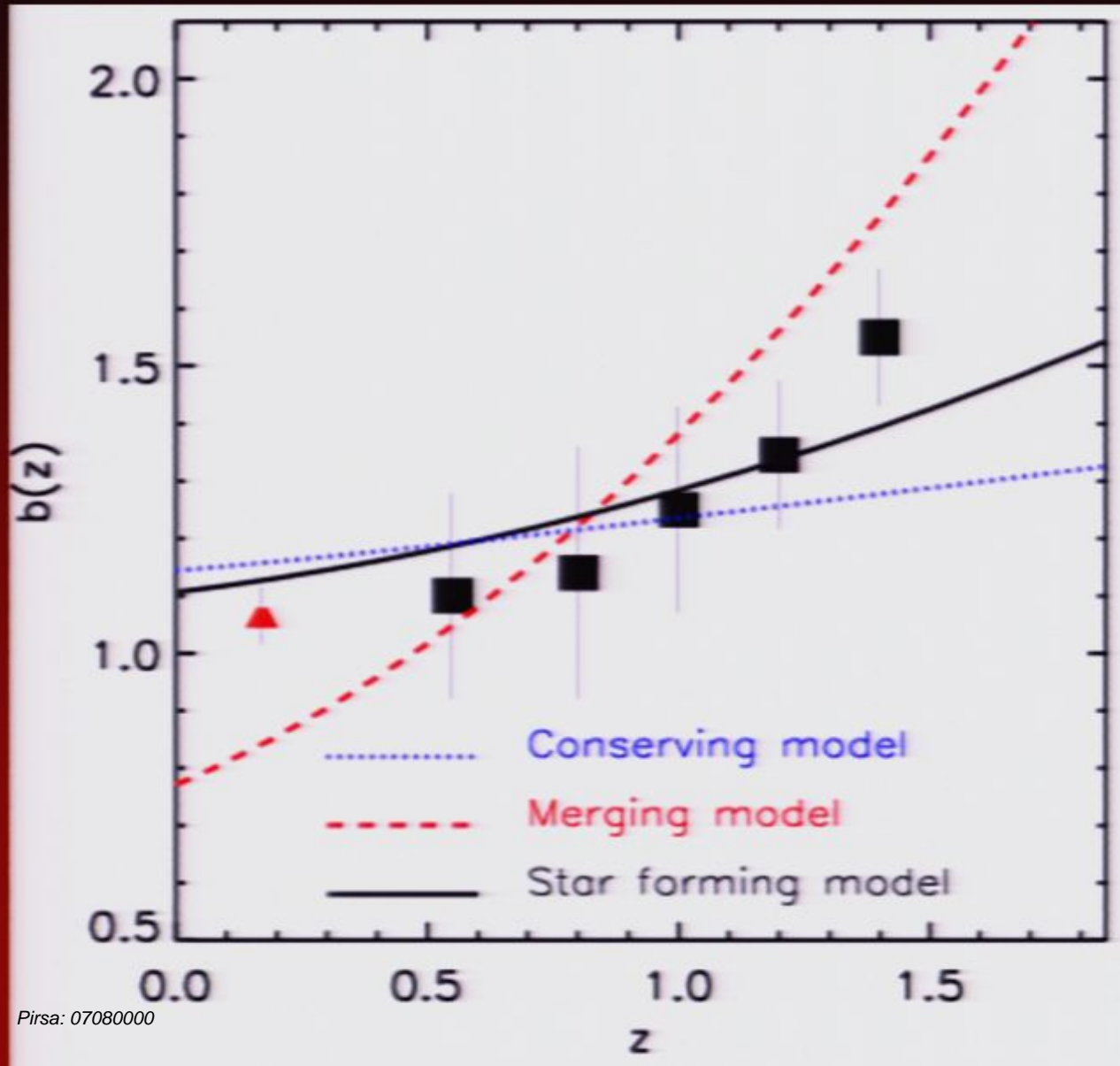
The most natural linear bias indicator is related to second moments

$$b_L = \frac{\langle b^2(\delta) \delta^2 \rangle}{\langle \delta^2 \rangle}$$

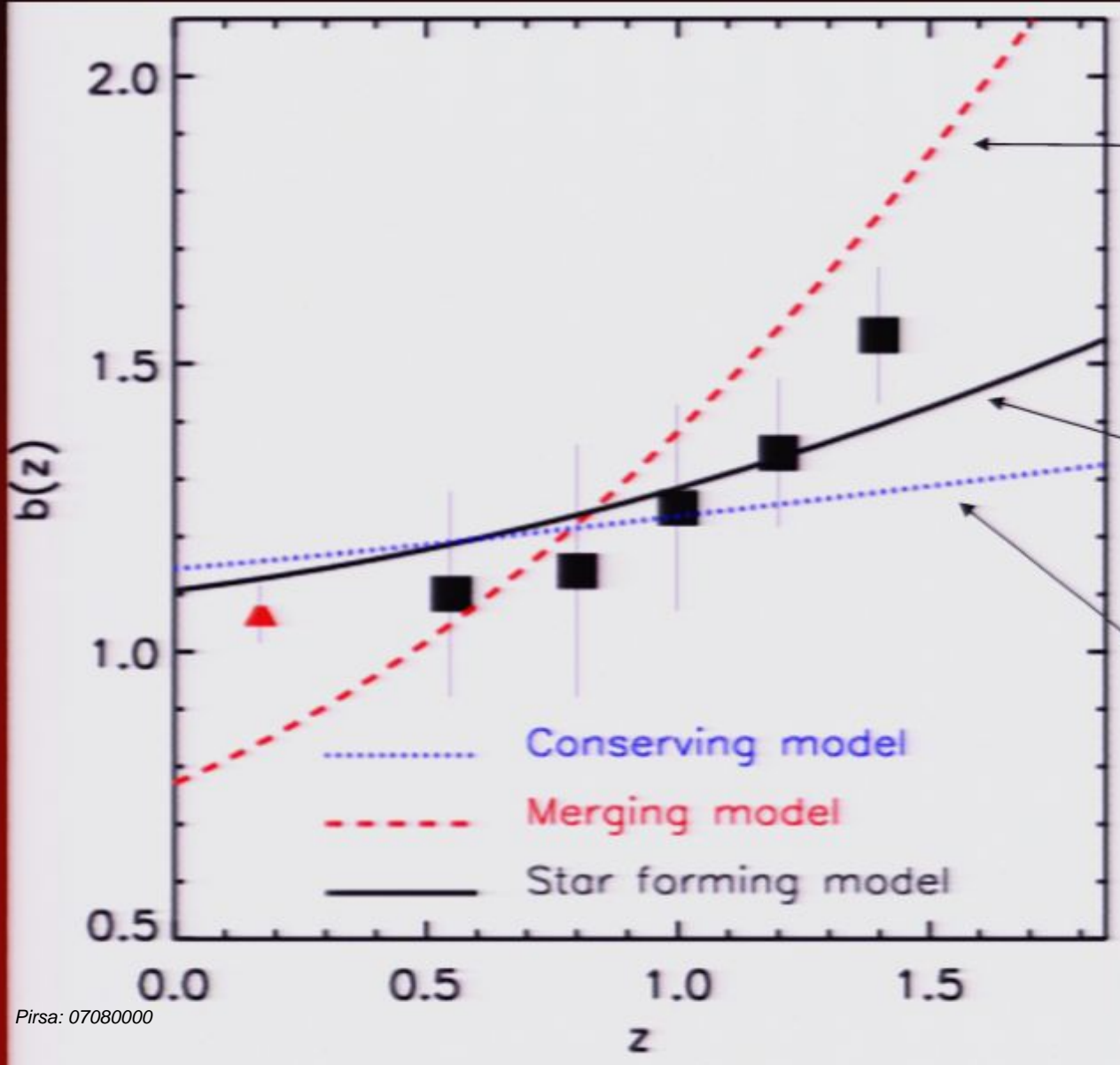
- Galaxies were progressively more biased mass tracers in the past
- Evolution: weak for $z < 0.8$ stronger for $z > 0.8$

$$b_L = 1 + (0.03 \pm 0.01)(1+z)^{3.3 \pm 0.6}$$

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Merging

(Mo & White 96
Matarrese et al 97)

**Instantaneous
Star Formation**

(Blanton et al 02)

Gravity

(Dekel and Rees 88
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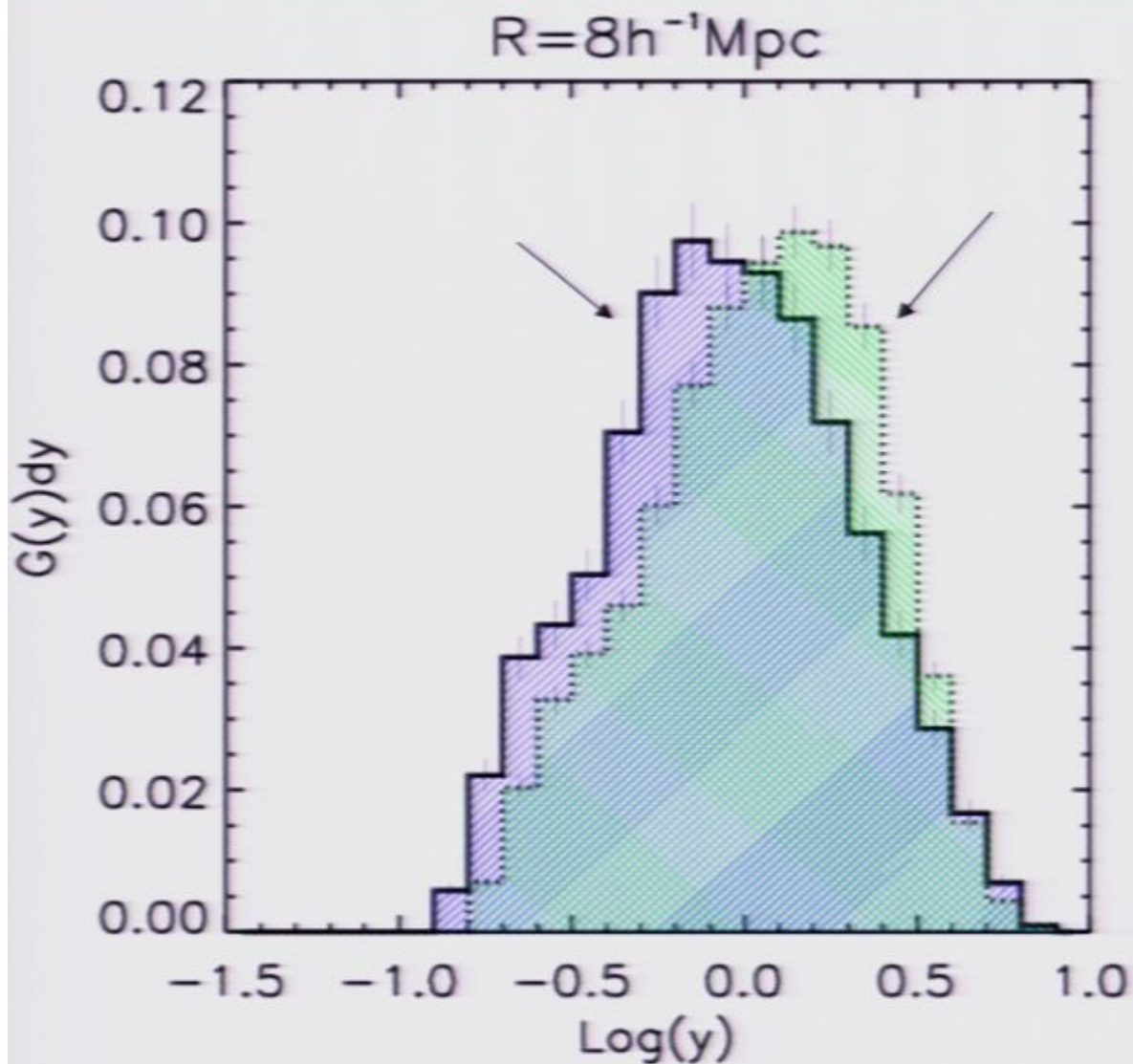
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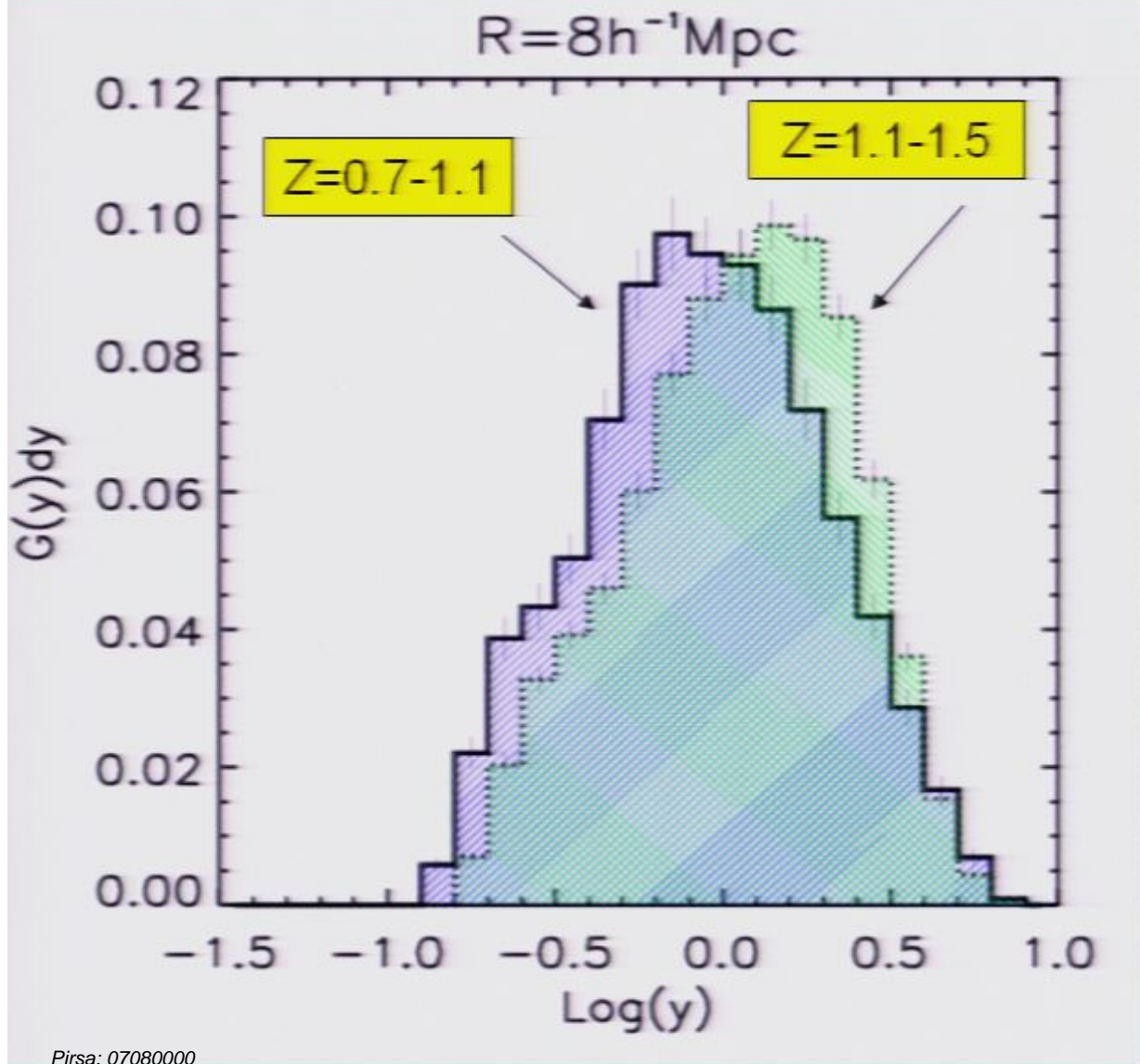
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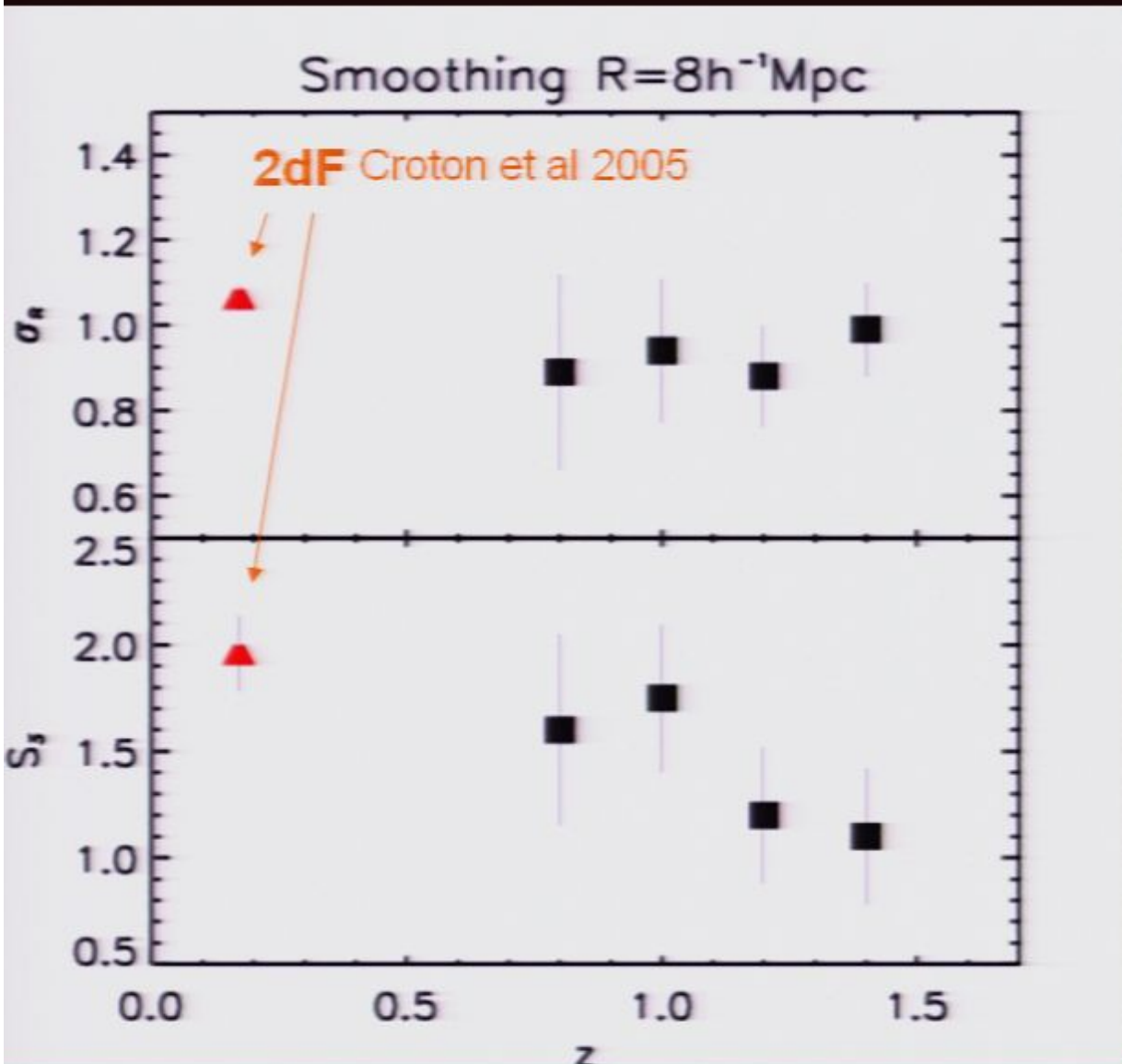
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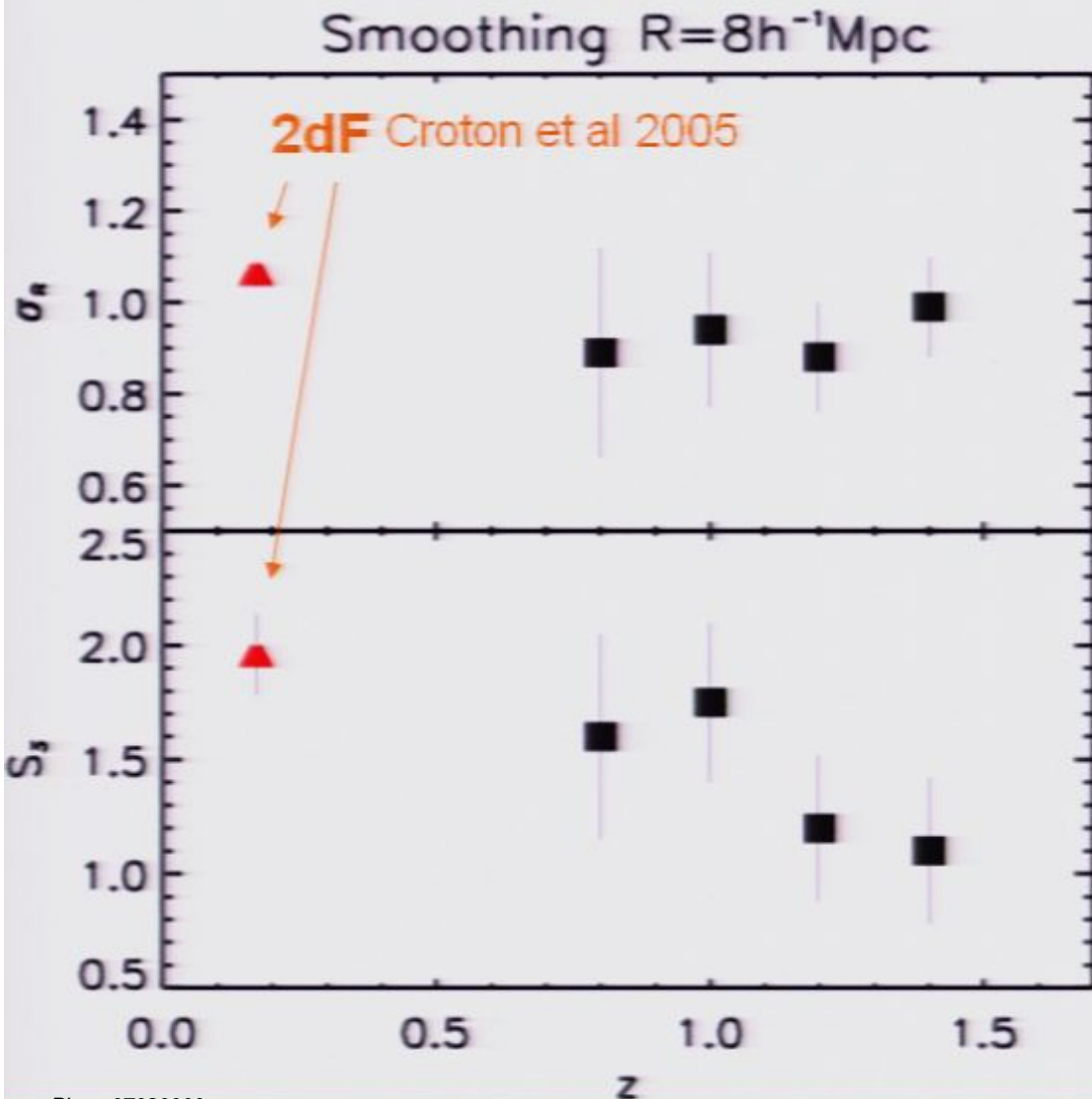


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Linear Approximation

Newtonian Regime

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Adiabatic perturbation

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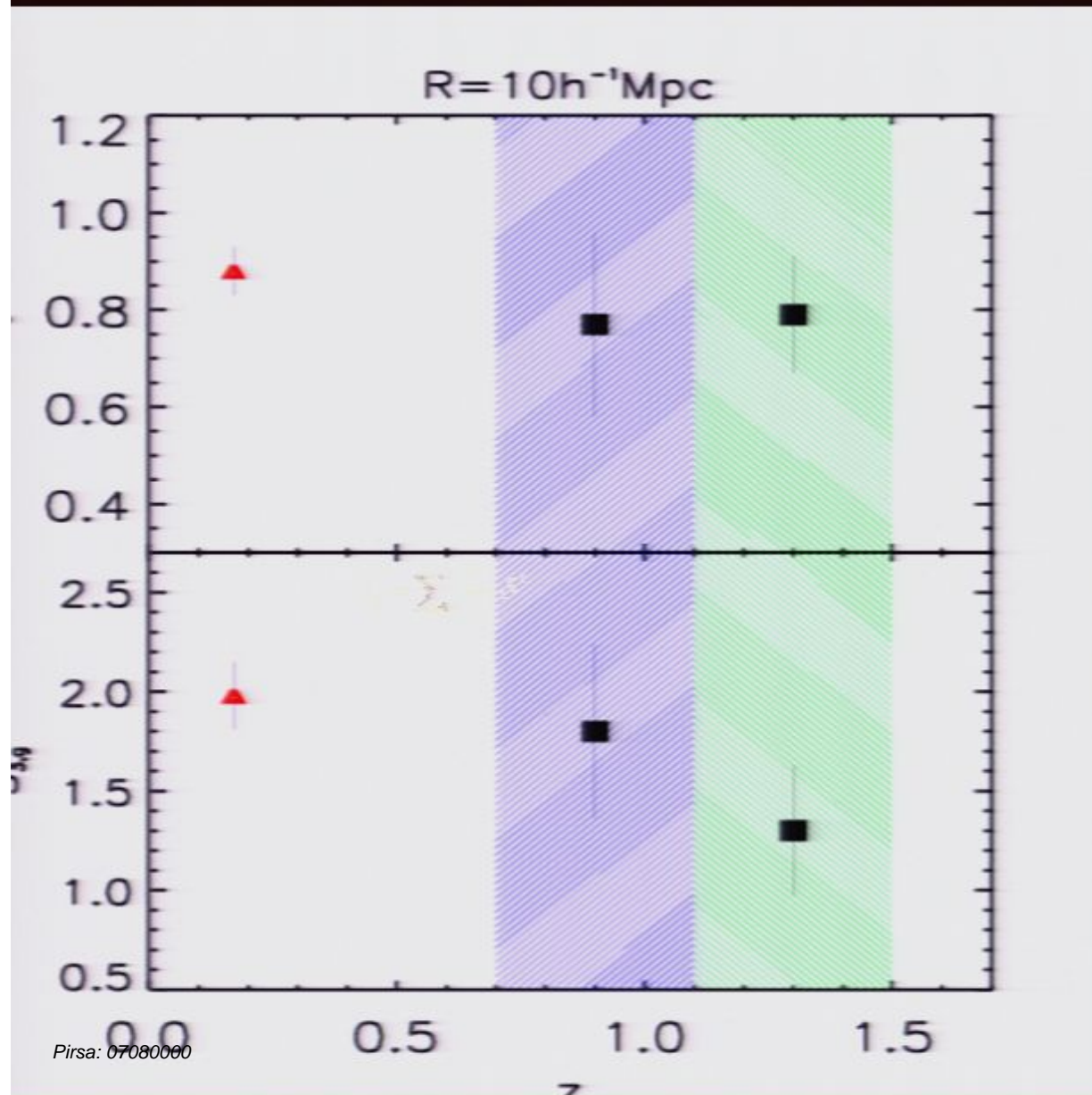
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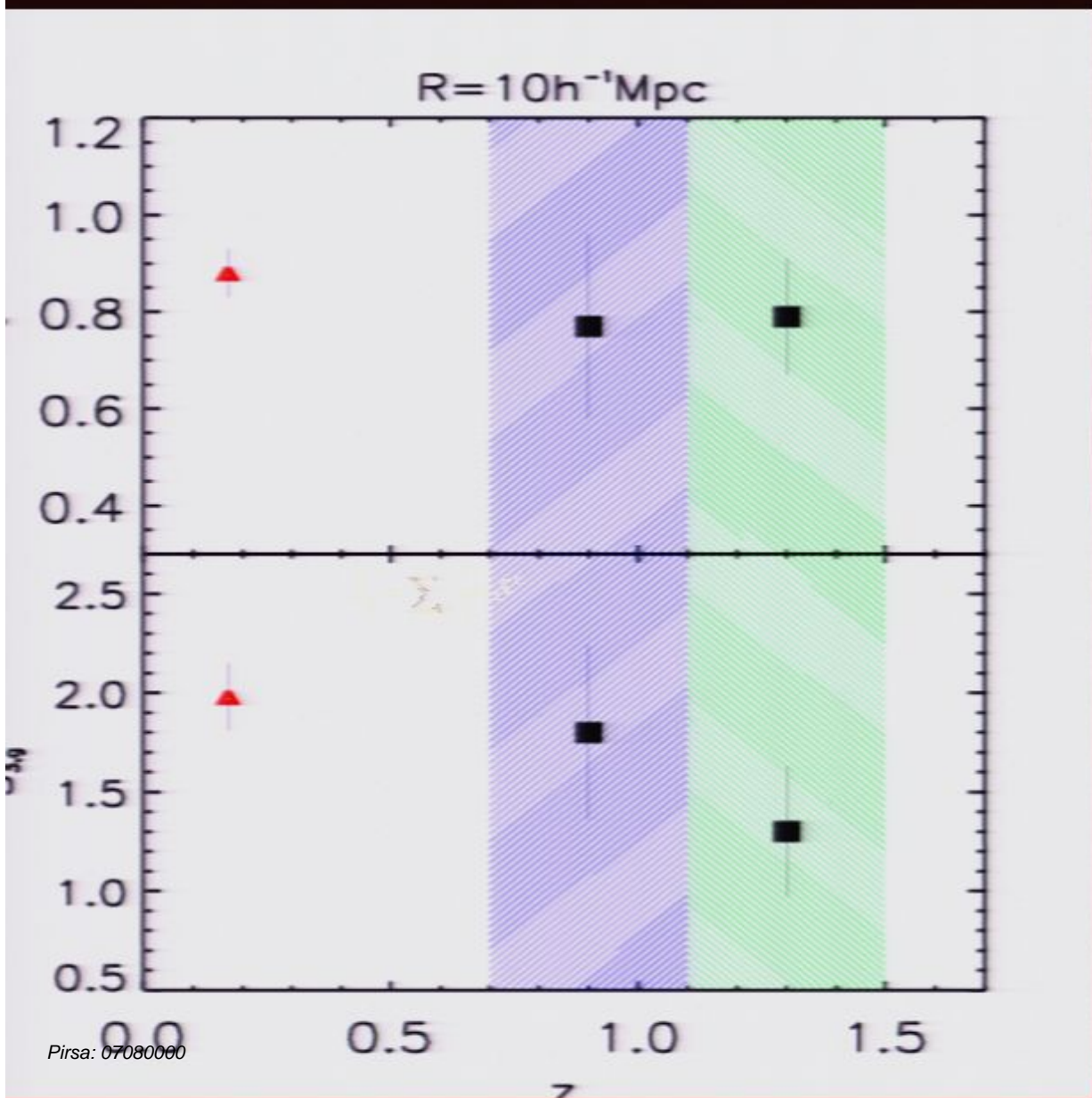
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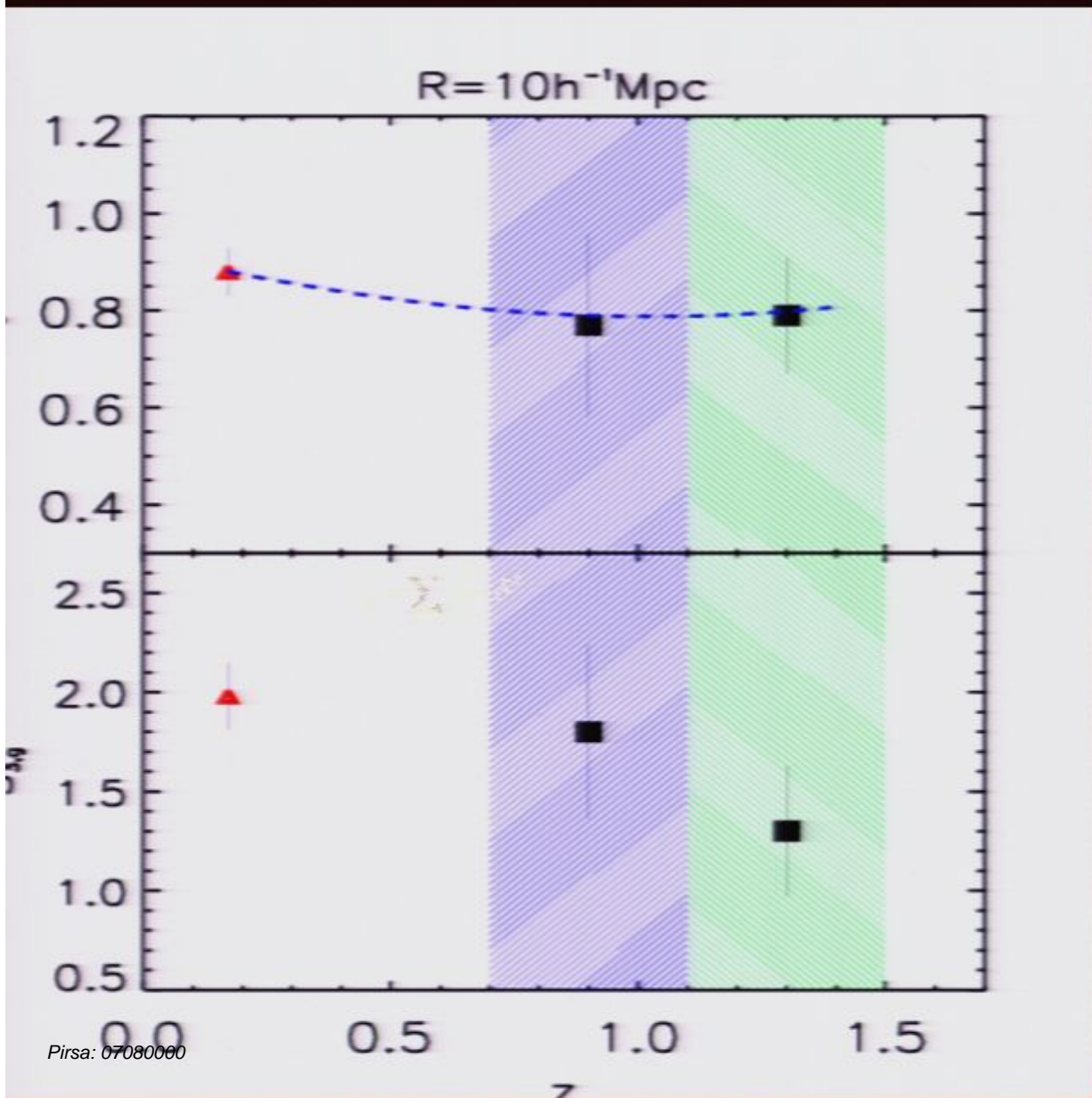
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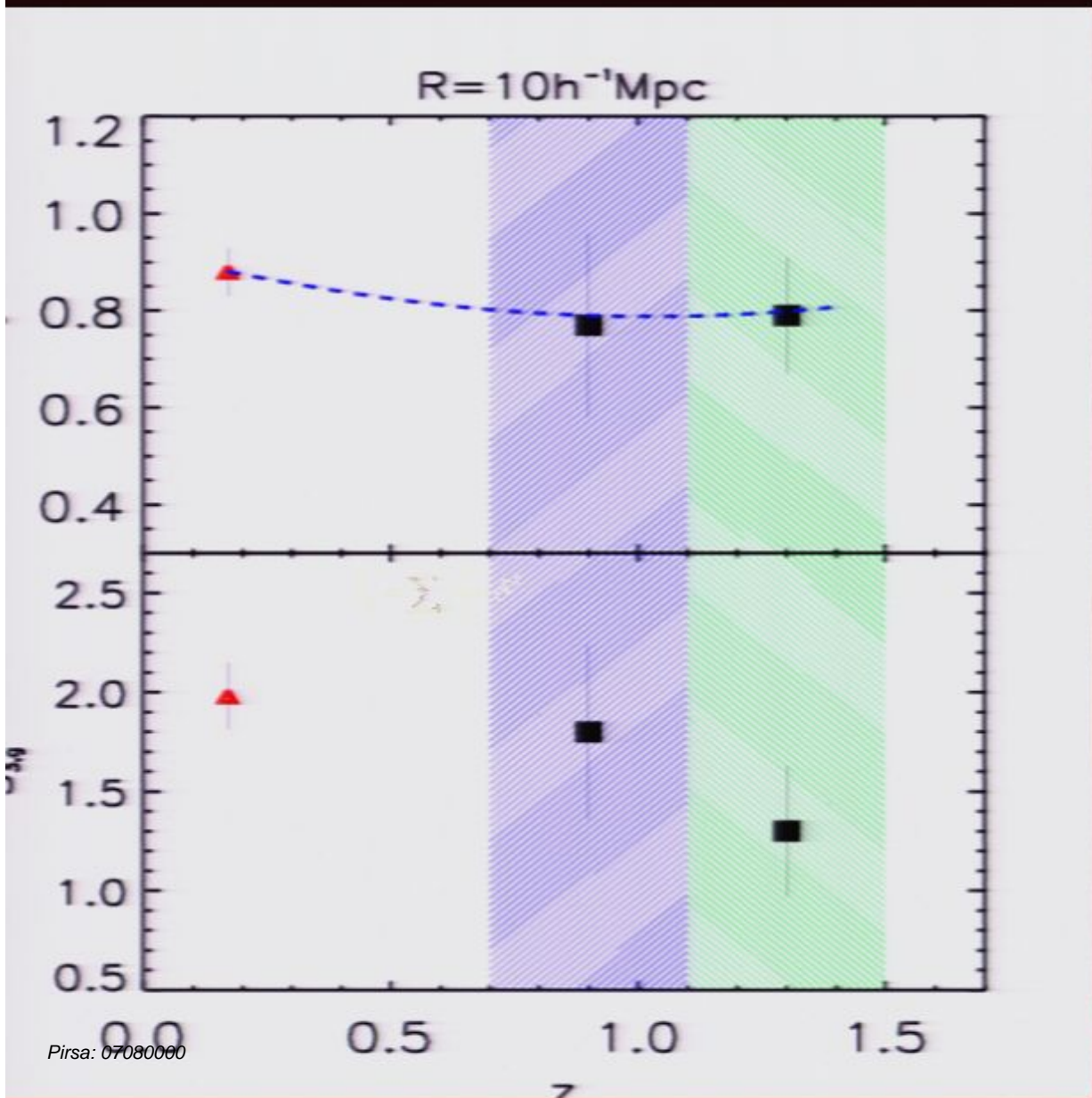
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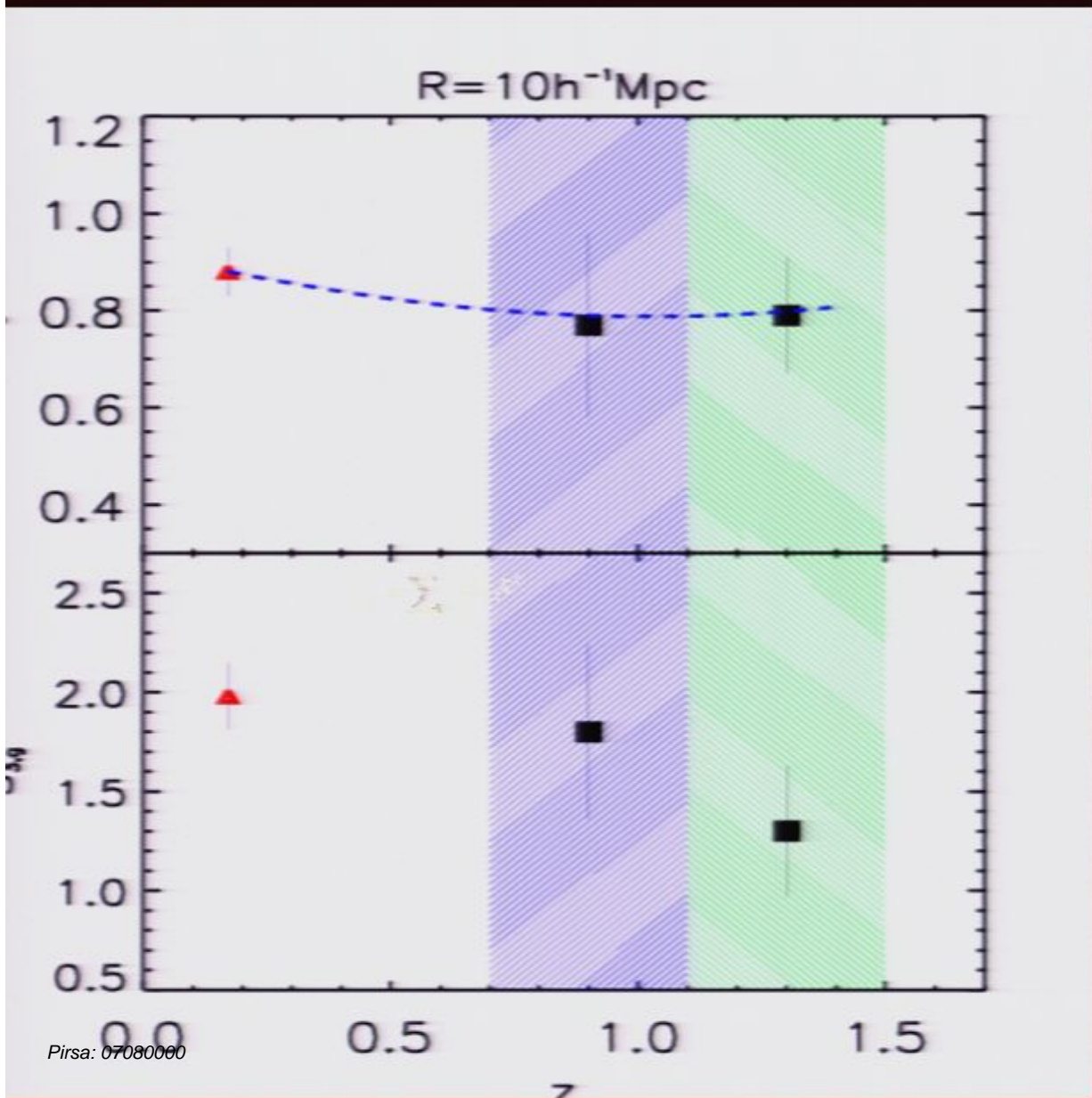
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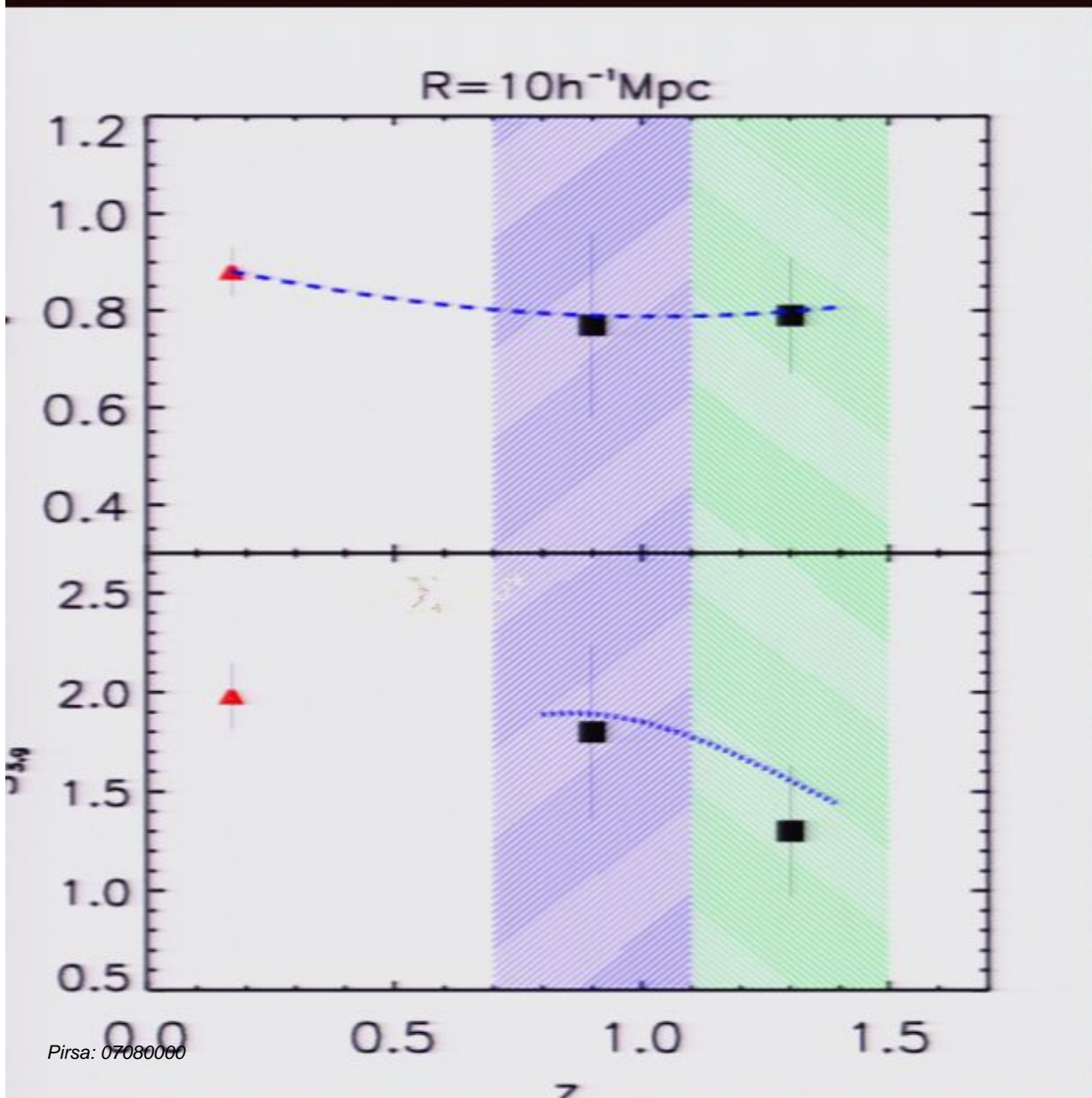
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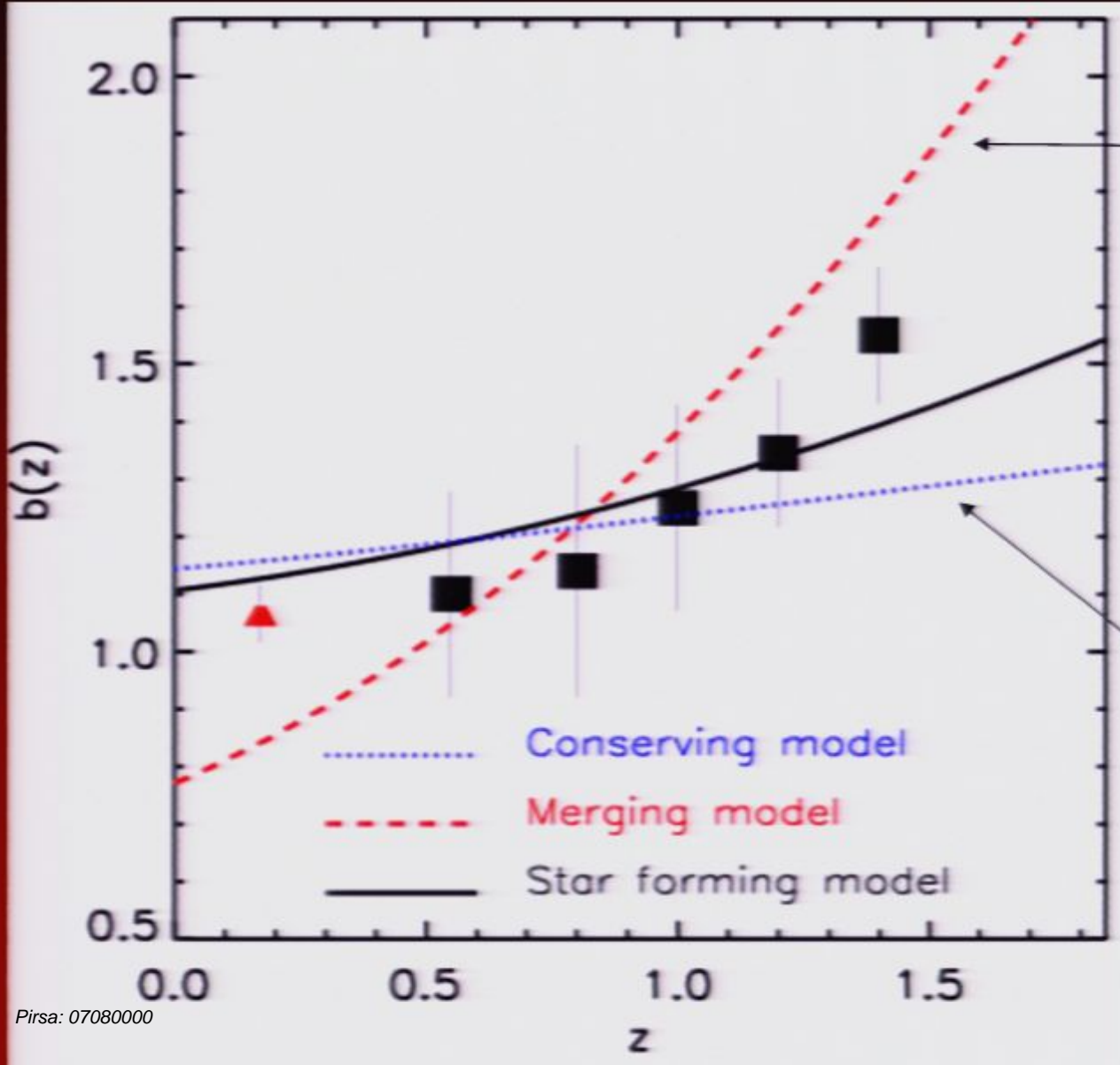
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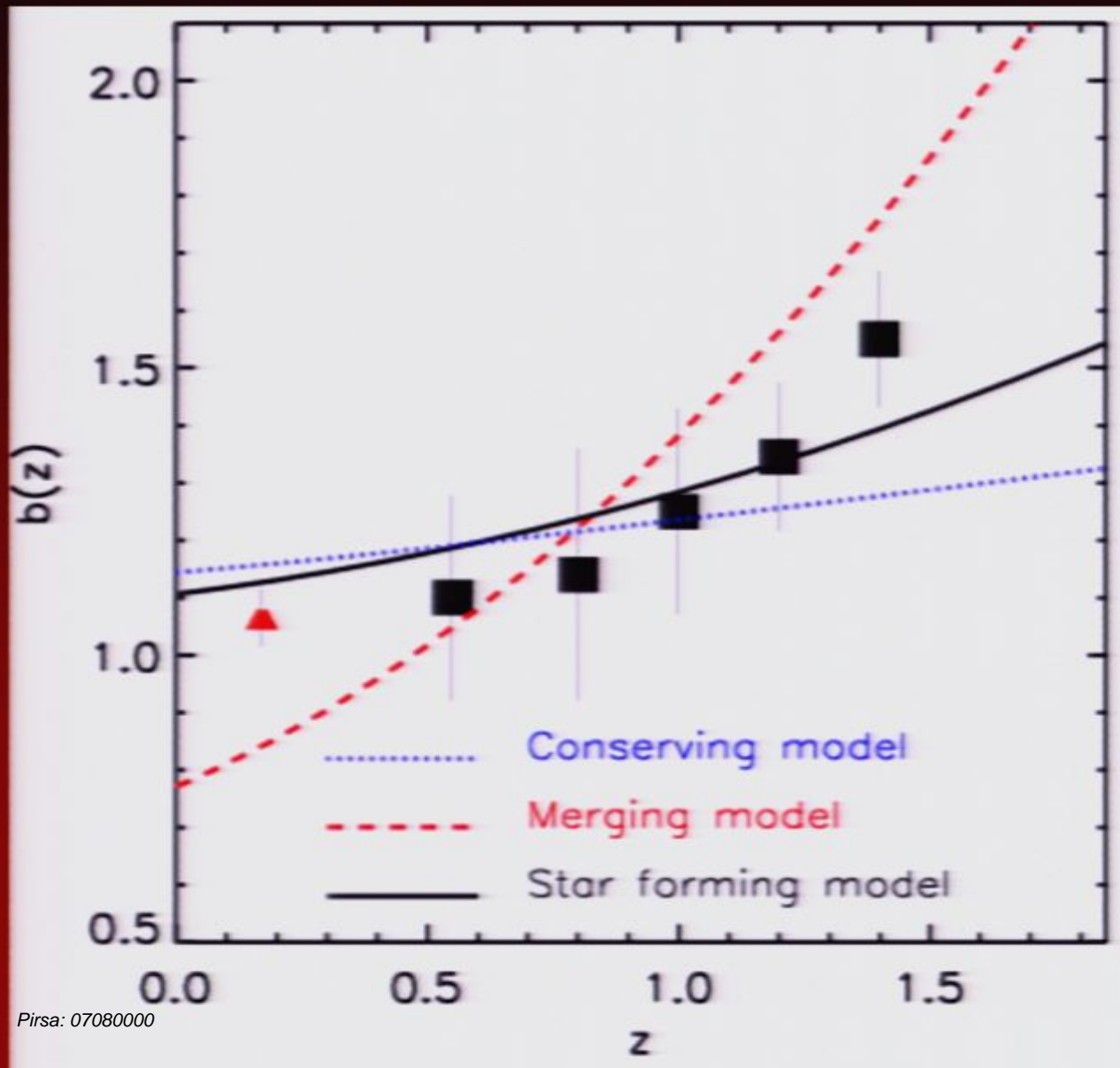
Merging

(Mo & White 96
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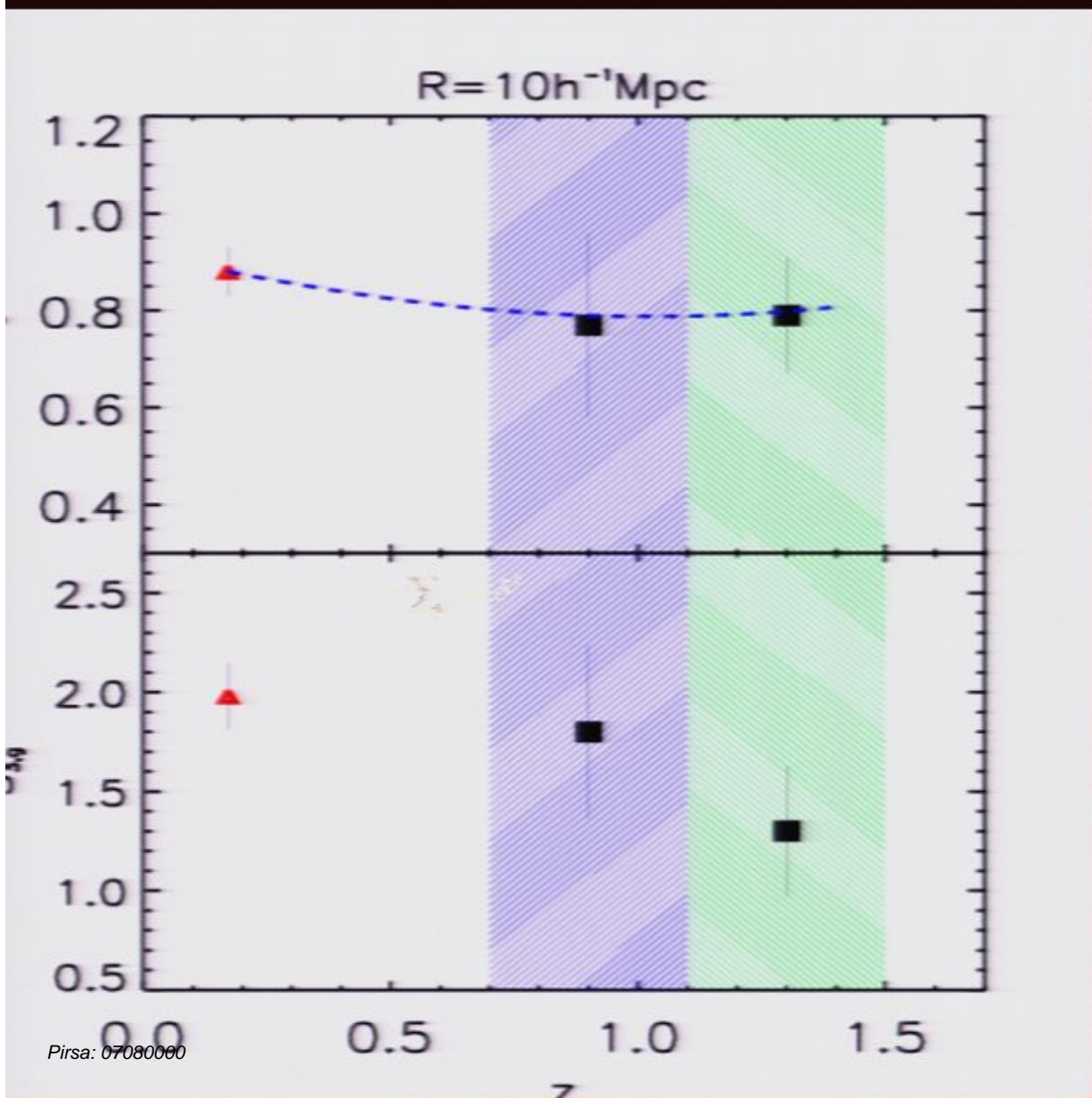
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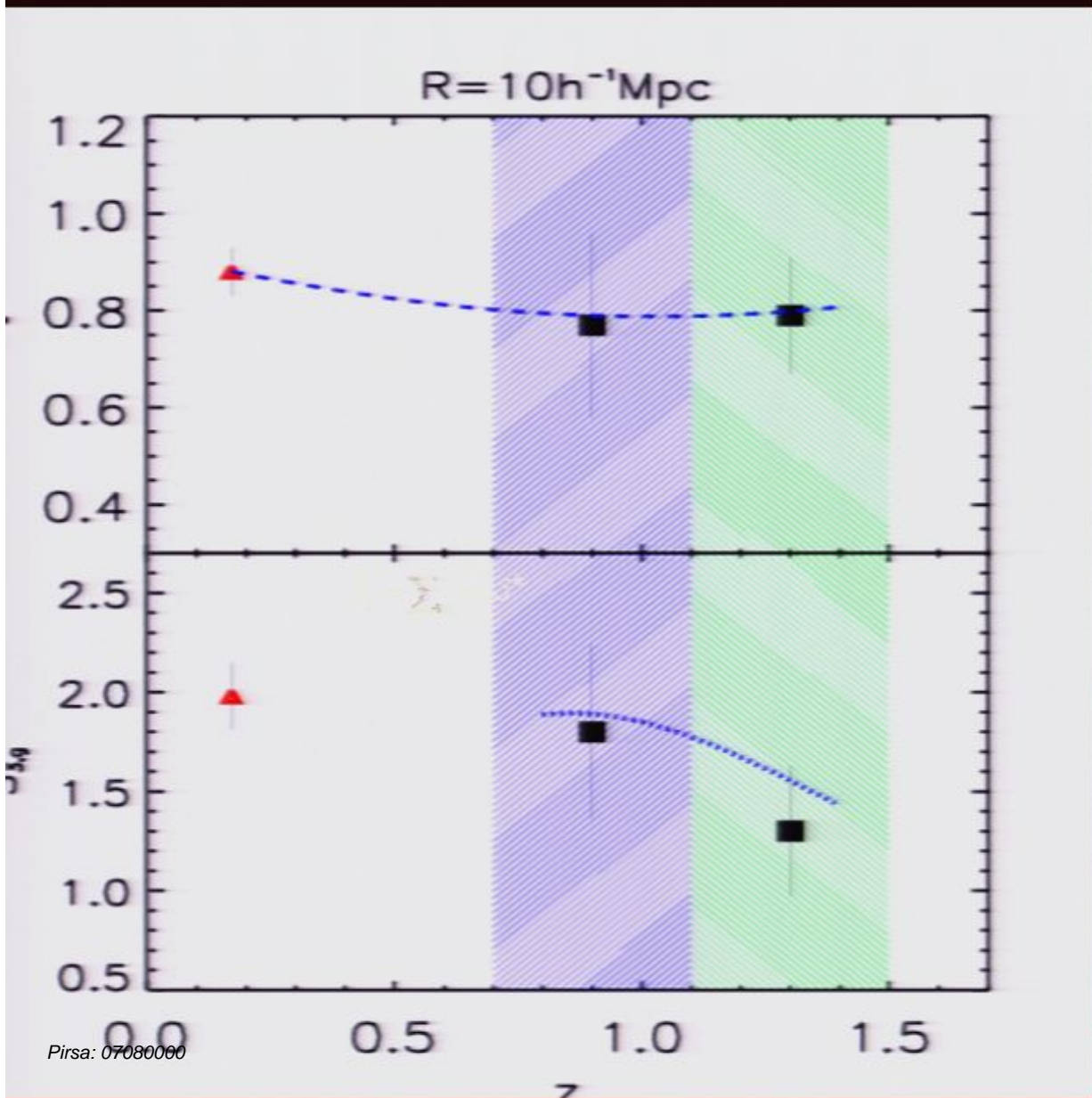
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Models with the same expansion history (same Ω at all redshift) but different gravitational theories, will have different index γ .

$$\text{Standard } \Lambda \text{ Paradigm} \quad \rightarrow \quad \gamma = 6/11$$

$$DGP \text{ (Dvali et al. 2000, Lue et al. 2004)} \quad \rightarrow \quad \gamma = 2/3$$

f can in principle reveal the physical origin of the acceleration

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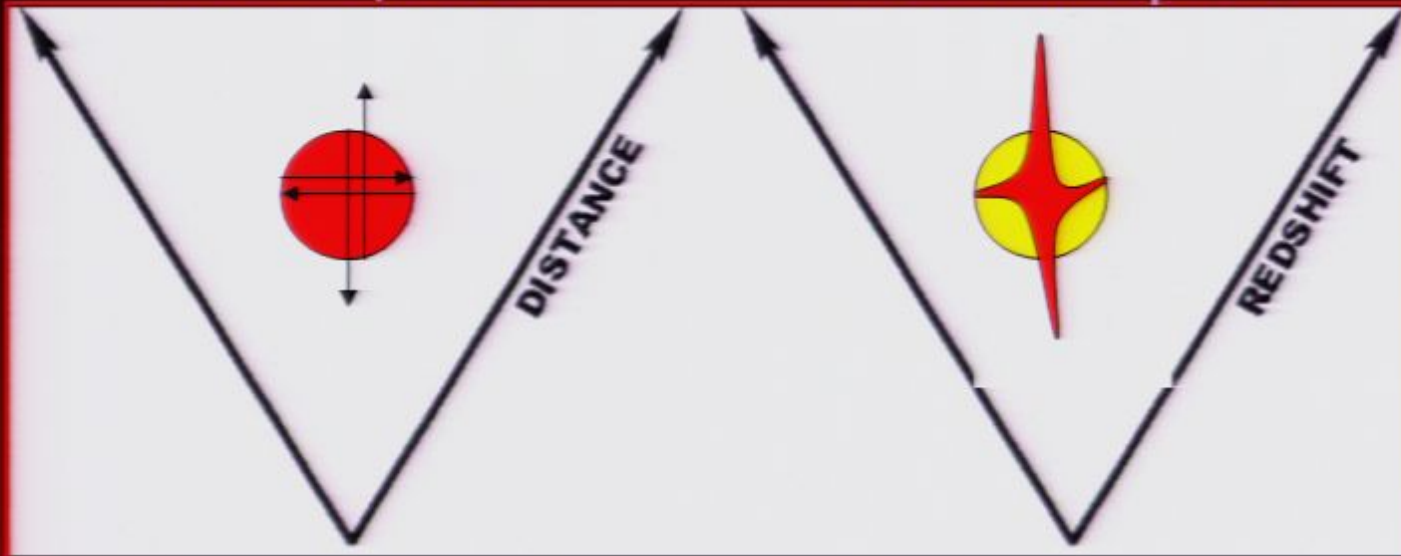
How to extract f with large scale galactic dynamics?

How big a fluctuation is ? Interpret distortion signatures introduced by motions toward density maxima

Real Space

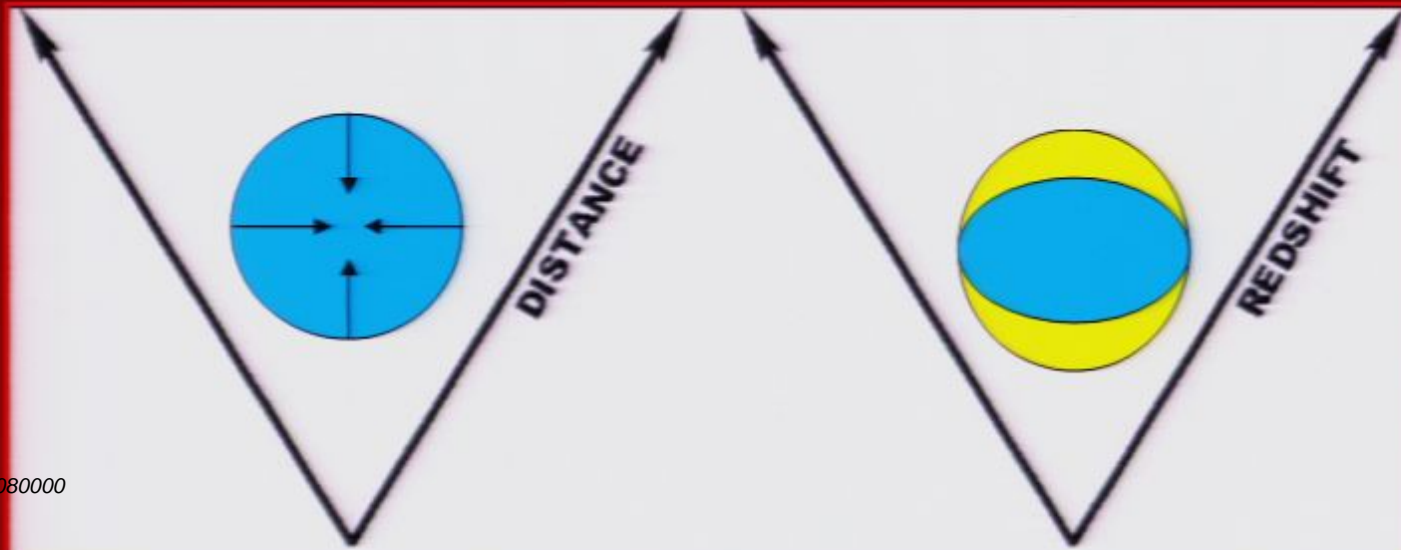
Redshift Space

small
scales



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large
scales



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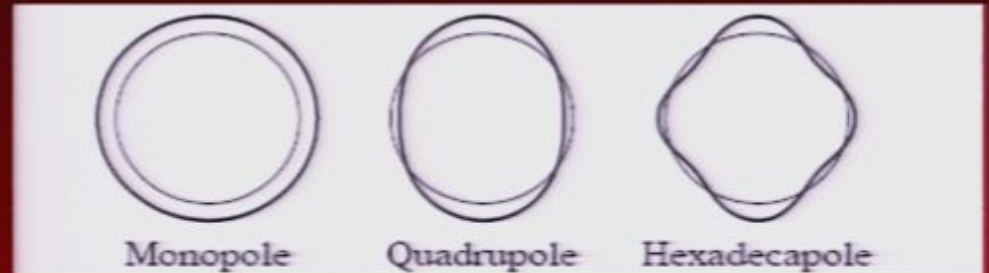
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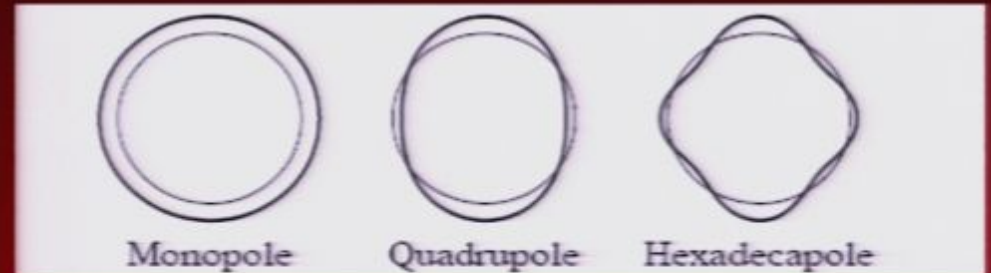
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Hexadecapole

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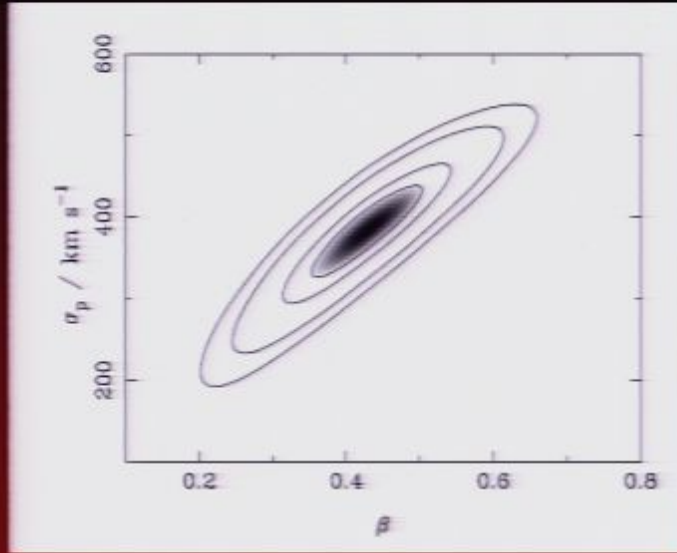
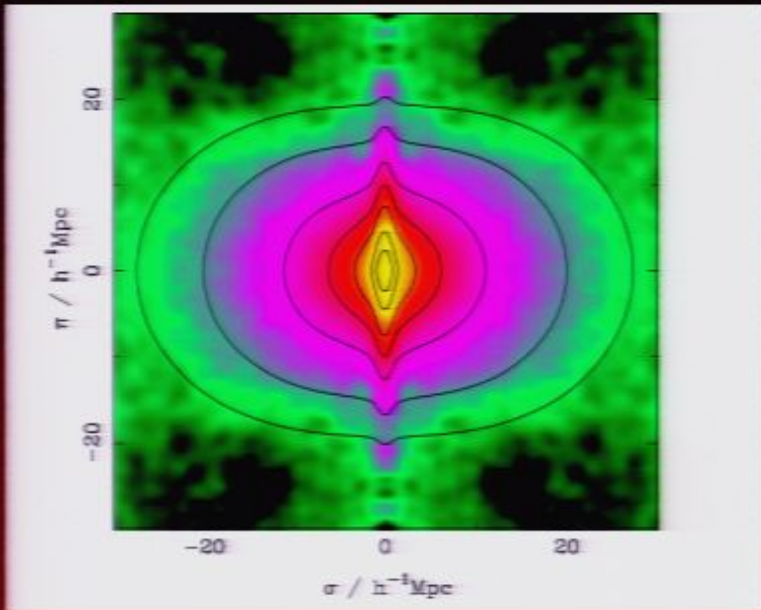
$$\xi(r_p, \pi) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \xi_L\left(r_p, \pi - \frac{v(1+z)}{H(z)}\right) f(v) dv$$

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$$f(v) = (\sigma_{12} \sqrt{2})^{-1} \exp(-\sqrt{2} |v| / \sigma_{12})$$

f = PDF of relative velocities of galaxy pairs
 σ = describes small-scale thermal random motion

Redshift distortions in the correlation maps : Results

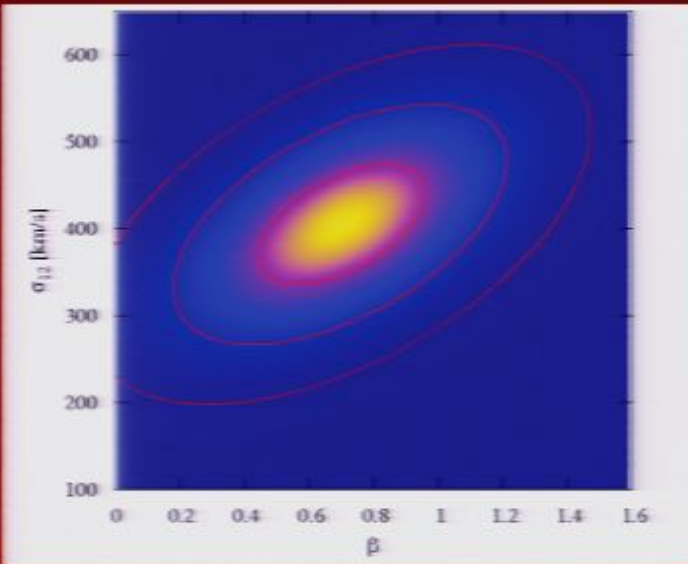
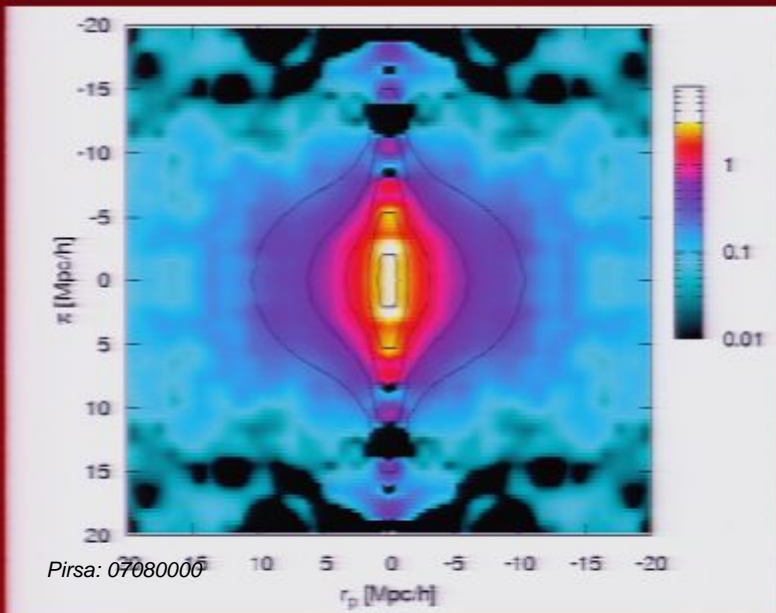


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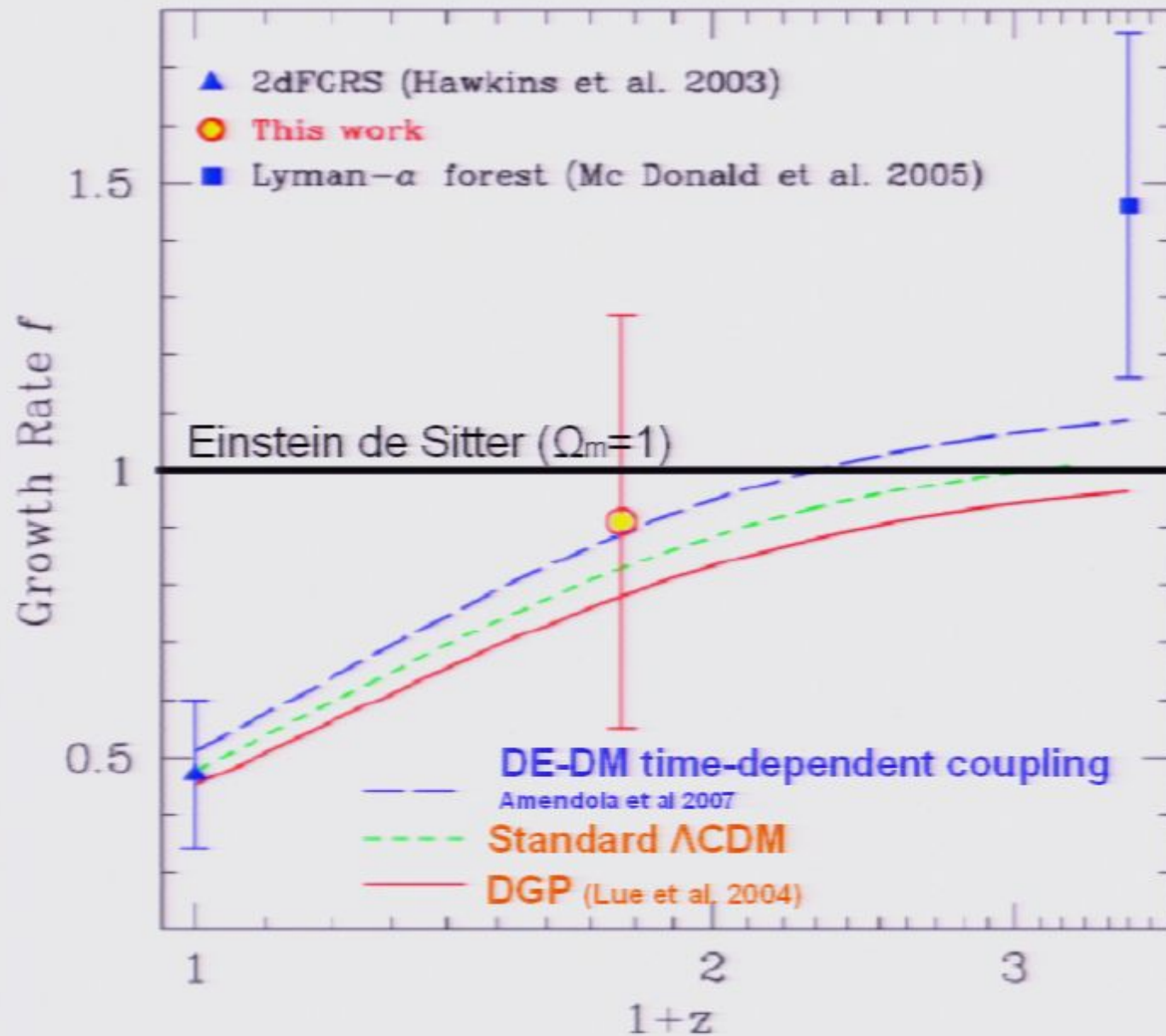
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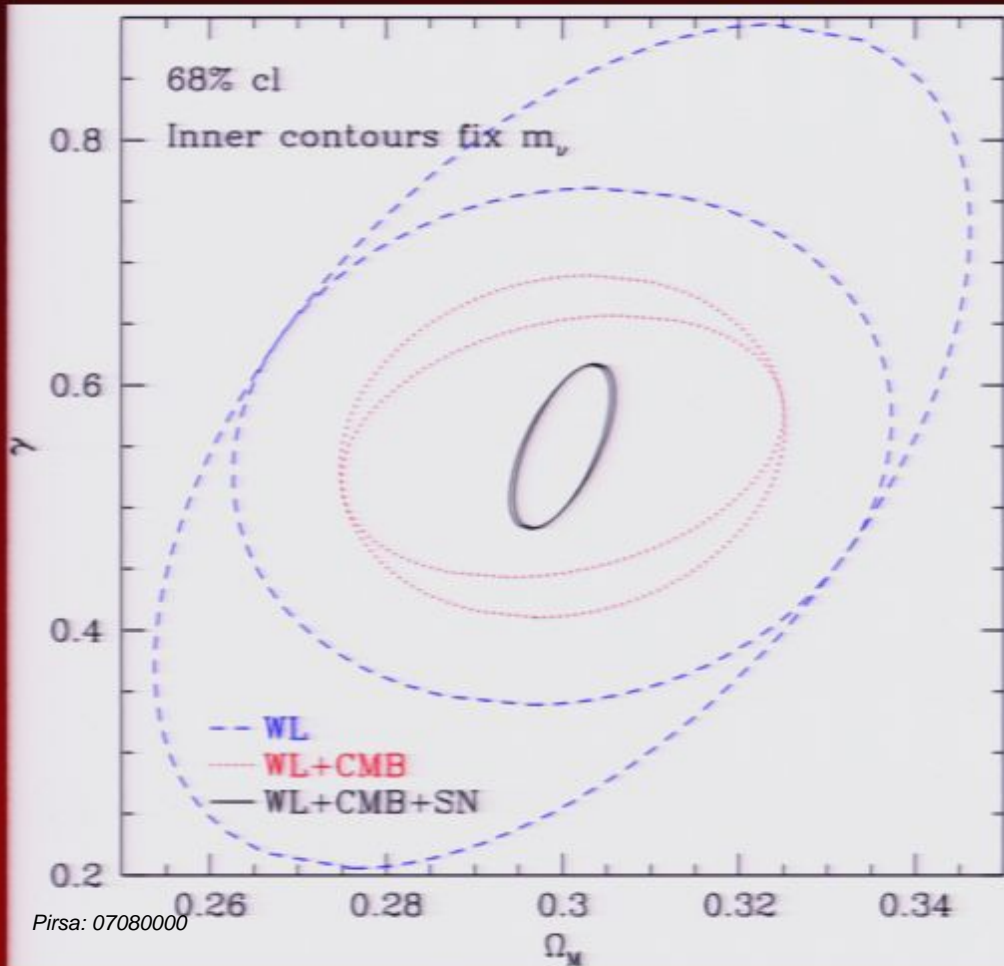
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Going Beyond Einstein

To test Einstein gravity (γ), we need growth (f) and expansion (H)
...No wait! we need superb data.

How well can we fit gravity?



WL (1/4 of sky)

+

SN (2000 up to $z=2$)

+

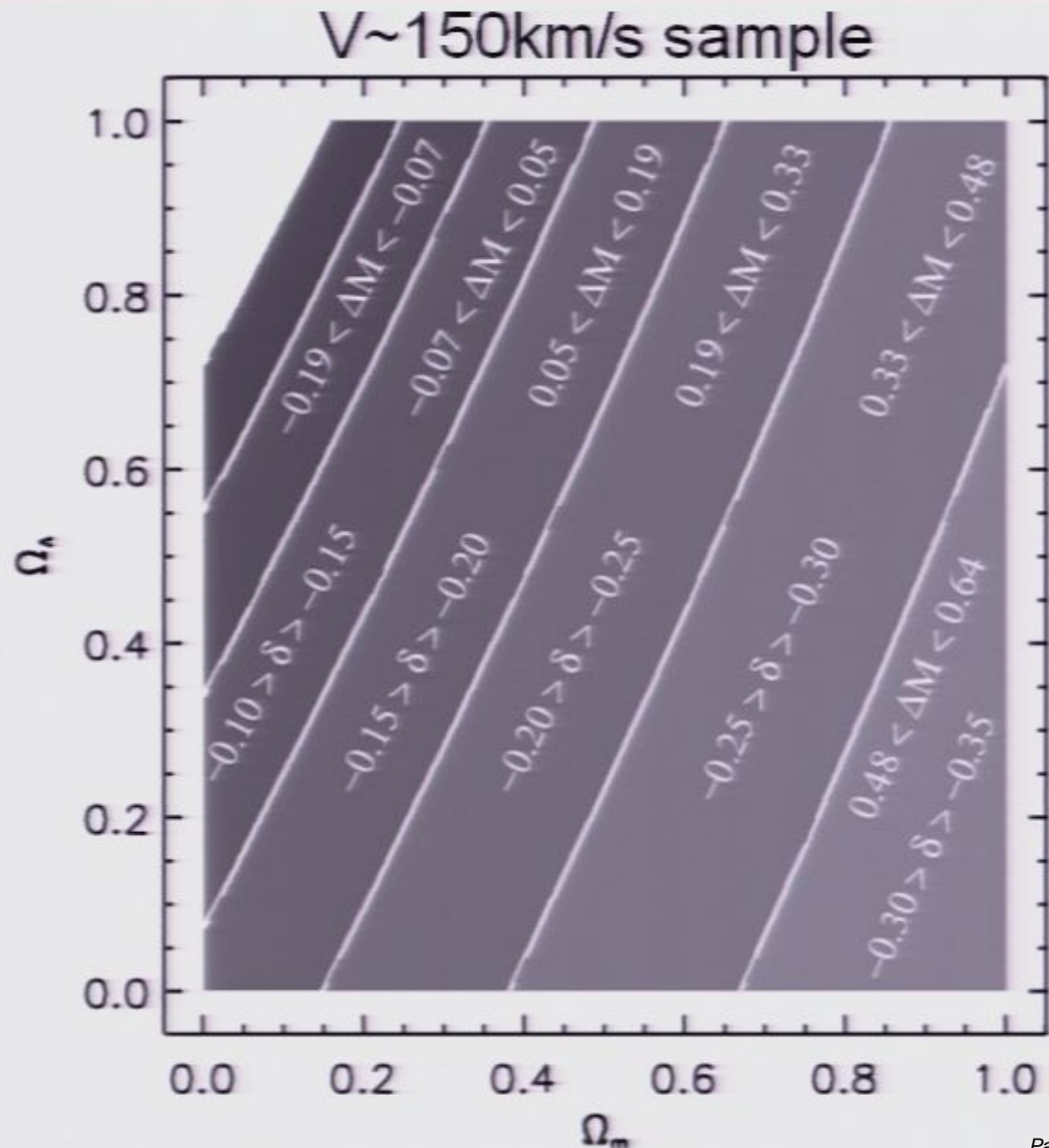
CMB (Planck)

can determine γ to 8%.

Cosmology - Evolution Diagram at $z=1$

Extract cosmology once
the amount of
disc/luminosity
evolution is known at
some given redshift.

Extract evolution in
structural parameters
once cosmology
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Conclusions

We can use the kinematics of the homogeneous universe to accurately measure the expansion rate of the universe (constraining cosmological parameters)

We must use the dynamics of the inhomogeneous universe to break the degeneracy between different models (constraining the physics behind acceleration)

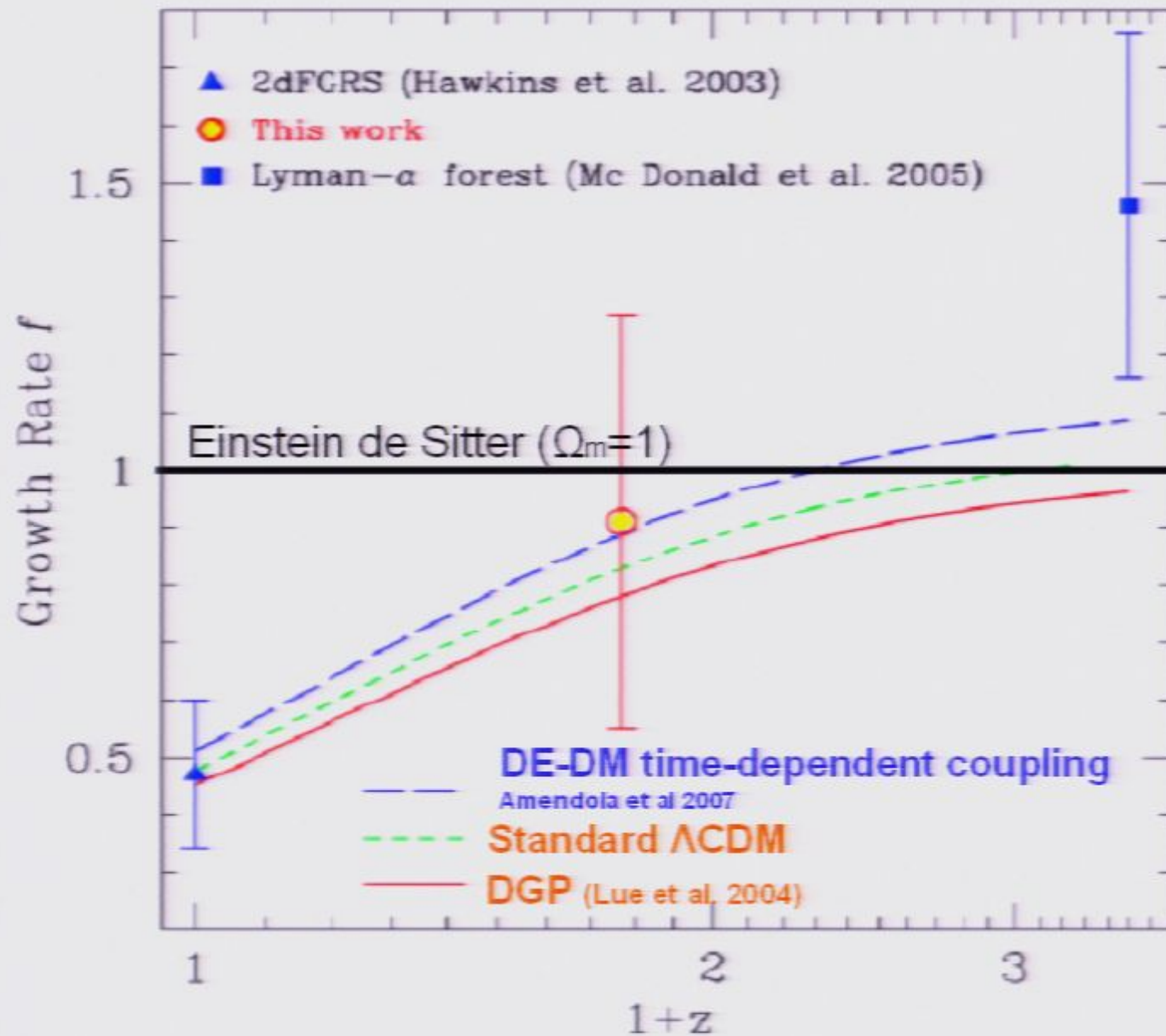
Preliminary studies at $z \sim 1$ indicates:

- The PDF of galaxy fluctuations evolves over the range $0.5 < z < 1.5$
→ matter-galaxy biasing is non-linear on large scale and it was significantly higher in the past

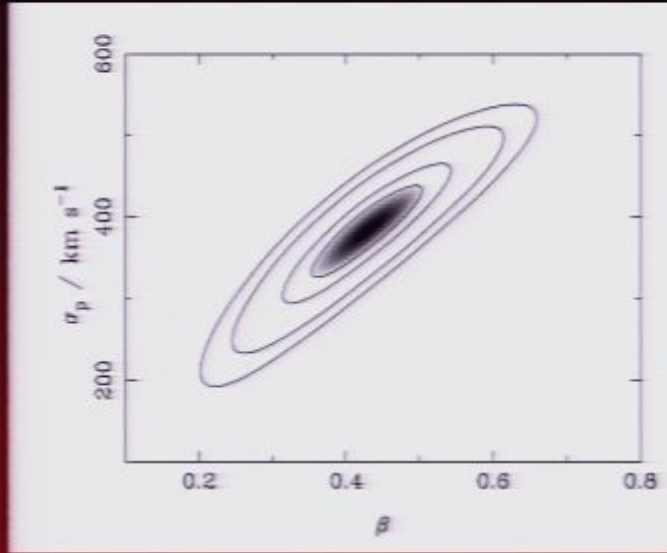
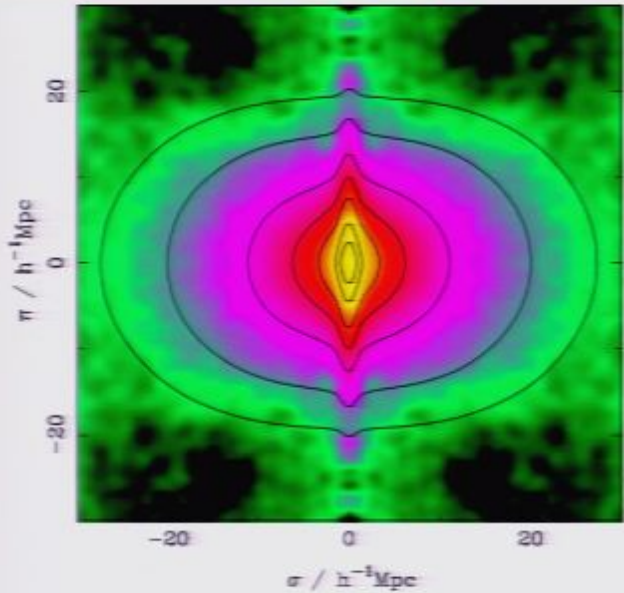
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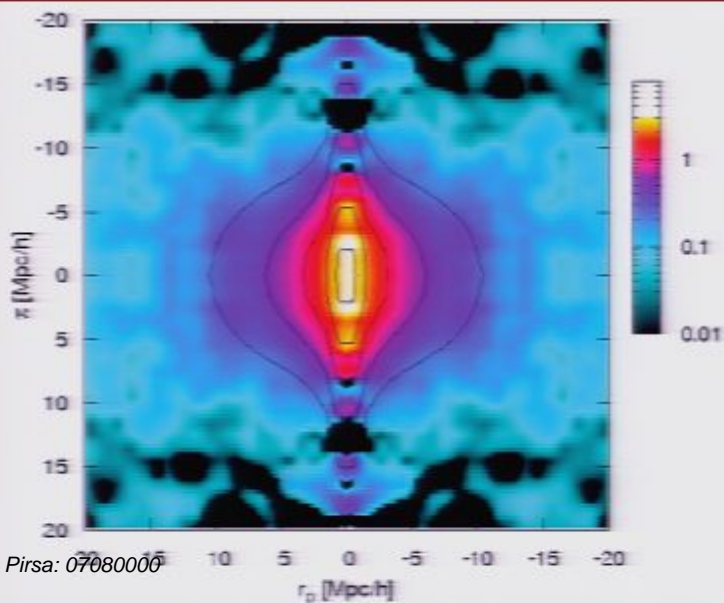
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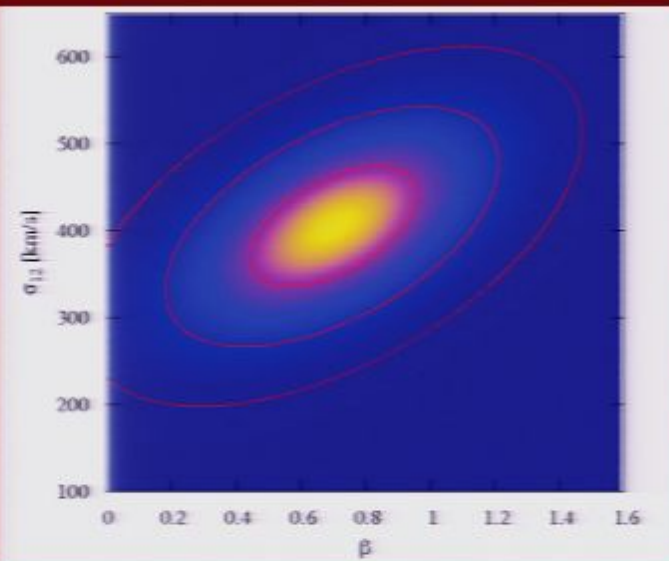
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