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Abstract:

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An Introduction to Observational Cosmology

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Lect 1: Dynamics of the Universe as probed by distance measurements (SNe)

Lect 2: Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations

Lect 3: Dark matter clustering and galaxy surveys

Lect 4: Gravitational lensing

Lect 5: The cosmic microwave background radiation

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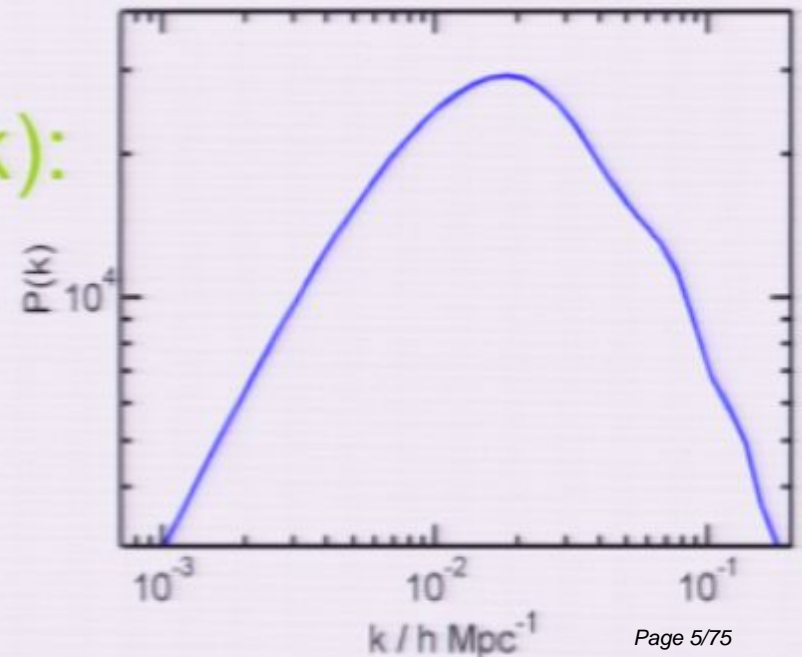
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Definition of $P(k)$

- Fourier Transform of 3d matter distribution
- Average over all directions

$$- k = (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2)^{0.5}$$

- Present day universe $P(k)$:



Why study $P(k)$?

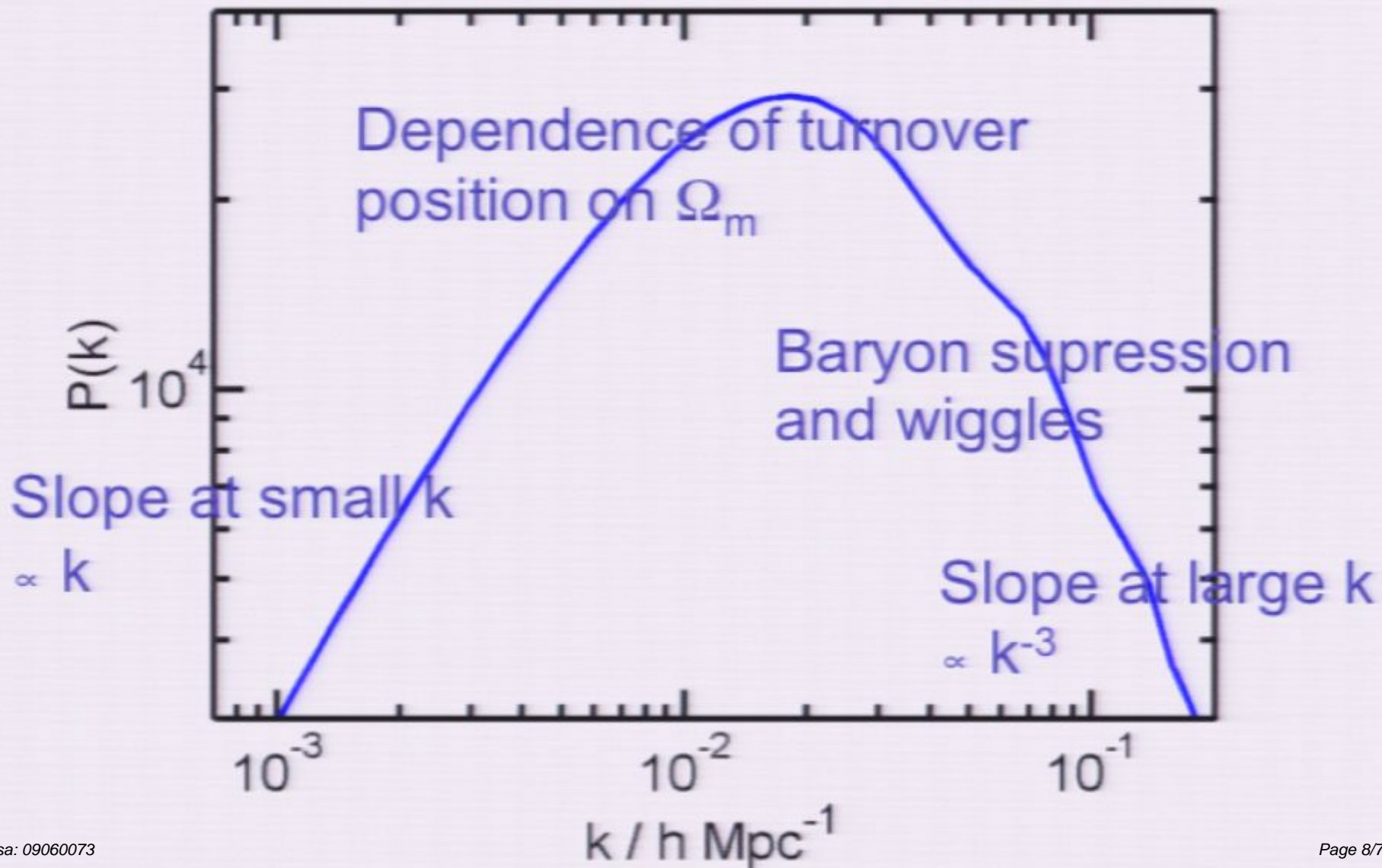
- Shape depends on
 - Ω_m total matter content
 - Ω_b baryon content
 - Ω_{DE} dark energy content
- Probed by galaxy surveys: 2dFGRS, SDSS
- Theory underpins
 - CMB (Lecture 5)
 - Cosmic shear (Lecture 4)
 - Lyman- α forest...

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Key features



Primordial fluctuations

- Just after inflation, expected to be:
- Roughly scale-invariant
 - $P_i(k) \propto k$
- Gaussian
 - Consider histogram of densities
- Adiabatic
 - but could also have isocurvature components
- Scalar, tensor and maybe even vortical

Linear theory

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- Expand all equations to first order
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Jeans length

- Gravity causes collapse
 - Collapse time for structure of size λ_J
 - $t \gg 1/(G\rho)^{1/2}$
- Pressure resists collapse
 - Time for pressure to act over distance λ_J
 - $t \gg \lambda_J / c_s$
 - where c_s = sound speed
- Defn of Jeans length: when these times are equal

Pirsa: 09060073 – solving gives $\lambda_J = c_s / (G\rho)^{1/2}$

Significance of the Jeans length

- Fluctuations with $\lambda > \lambda_J$
 - large scales
 - grow under gravity
- Fluctuations with $\lambda < \lambda_J$
 - small scales
 - oscillate between collapsing and expanding

Picture the oscillations

- Radiation dominated Universe:
 - clumping of the radiation provides the gravity
 - squashing of the radiation resists further clumping
- Matter dominated Universe:
 - the amount of radiation is dynamically negligible
 - clumping of the dark matter provides the gravity
 - nothing provides the pressure to stop the dark matter from collapsing...

How does λ_J change with time?

- Radiation dominated era:

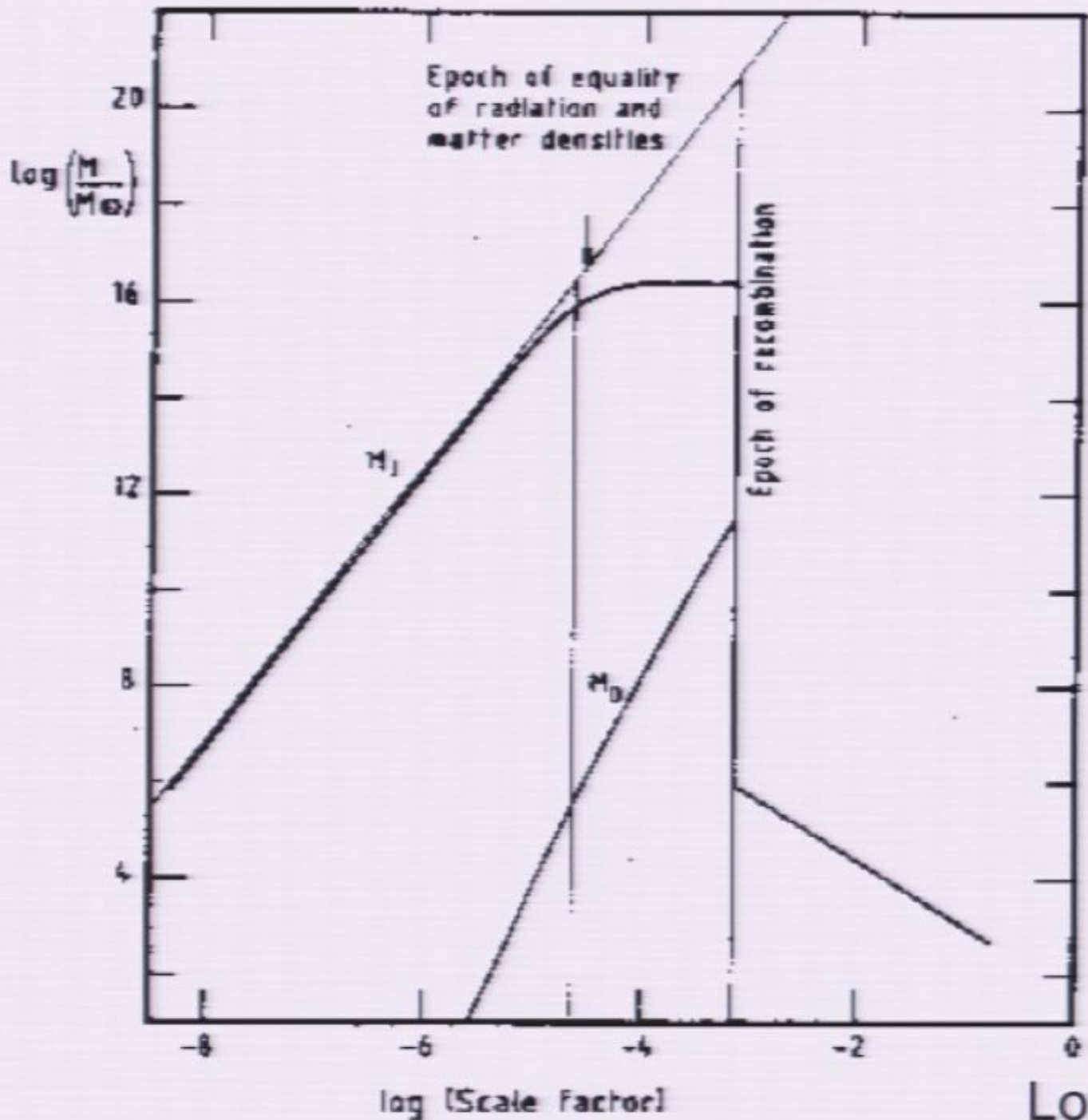
- $\lambda_J \propto \rho^{-1/2}$

- $\rho \propto a^{-4}$

- so $\lambda_J \propto a^2$

- Matter dominated era:

- no pressure so $\lambda_J = 0$



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Growth rate of fluctuations

- Radiation dominated era
 - $\lambda > \lambda_J$ grow $\propto a^2$
 - $\lambda < \lambda_J$ oscillate, \sim no growth
- Matter dominated era
 - $\lambda > \lambda_J$ (ie. all scales) grow $\propto a$
 - ie. grow as $1/(1+z)$

Consider large wavelengths

- Wavelength λ
 - Large in the sense that $\lambda > \lambda_J$ always
- Grows $\propto a^2$ in radiation dominated
- Grows $\propto a$ in matter dominated
- Amount grown is independent of λ

- Primordial power spectrum shape is retained

Consider smaller wavelengths λ

- Very early on, $\lambda > \lambda_J$
- Grows as a^2
- But λ_J is increasing with time $\lambda_J \propto a^2$
 - So there comes a time when $\lambda < \lambda_J$
- Stops growing
- Then after matter-radiation equality all fluctuations on all scales grow the same

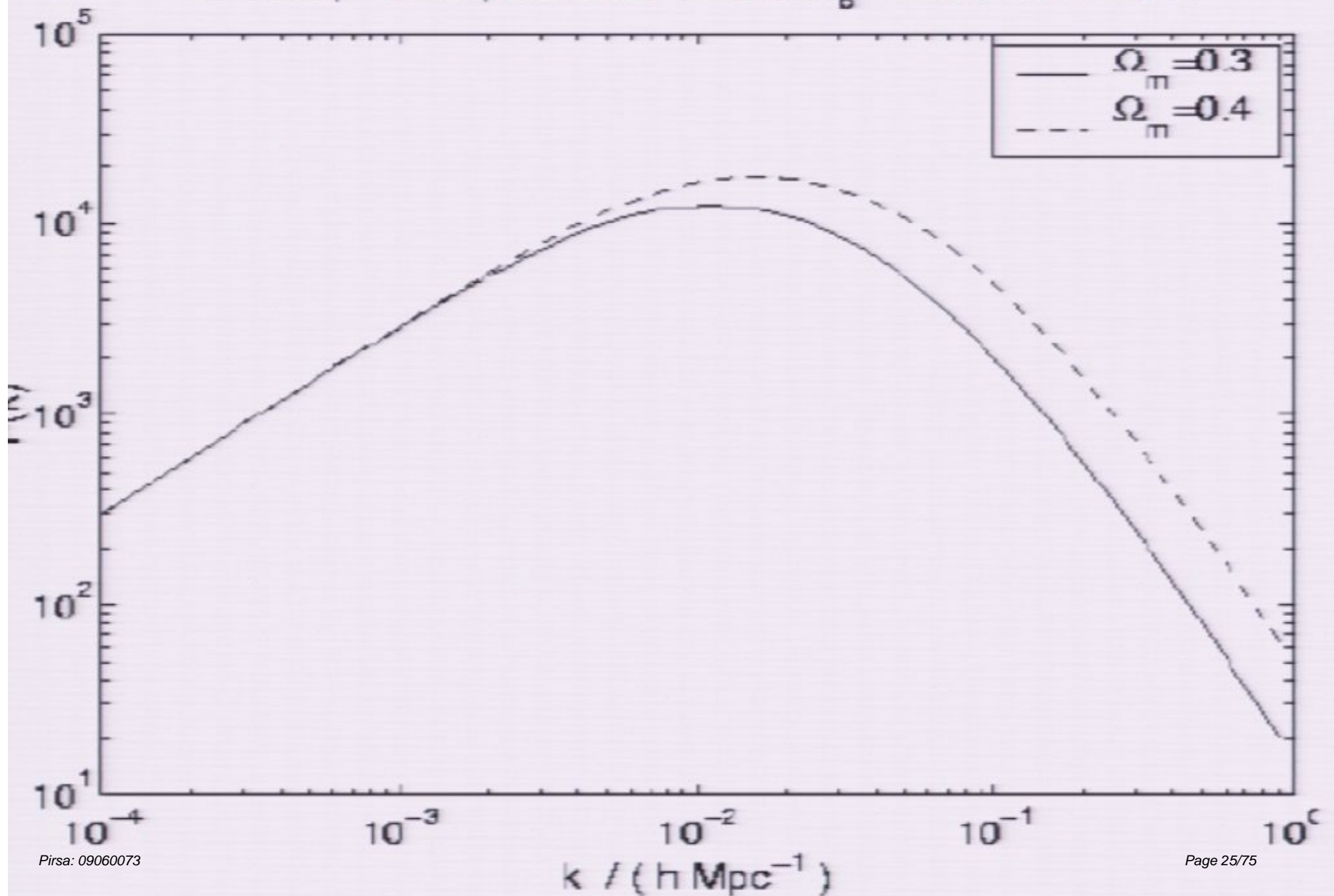
Where is the turnover?

- Critical scale is Jeans length at matter-radiation equality, λ_{eq}
 - corresponding wavenumber k_{eq}
- Scales larger than this grew always
- Scales smaller were progressively longer periods of stagnation (oscillation)

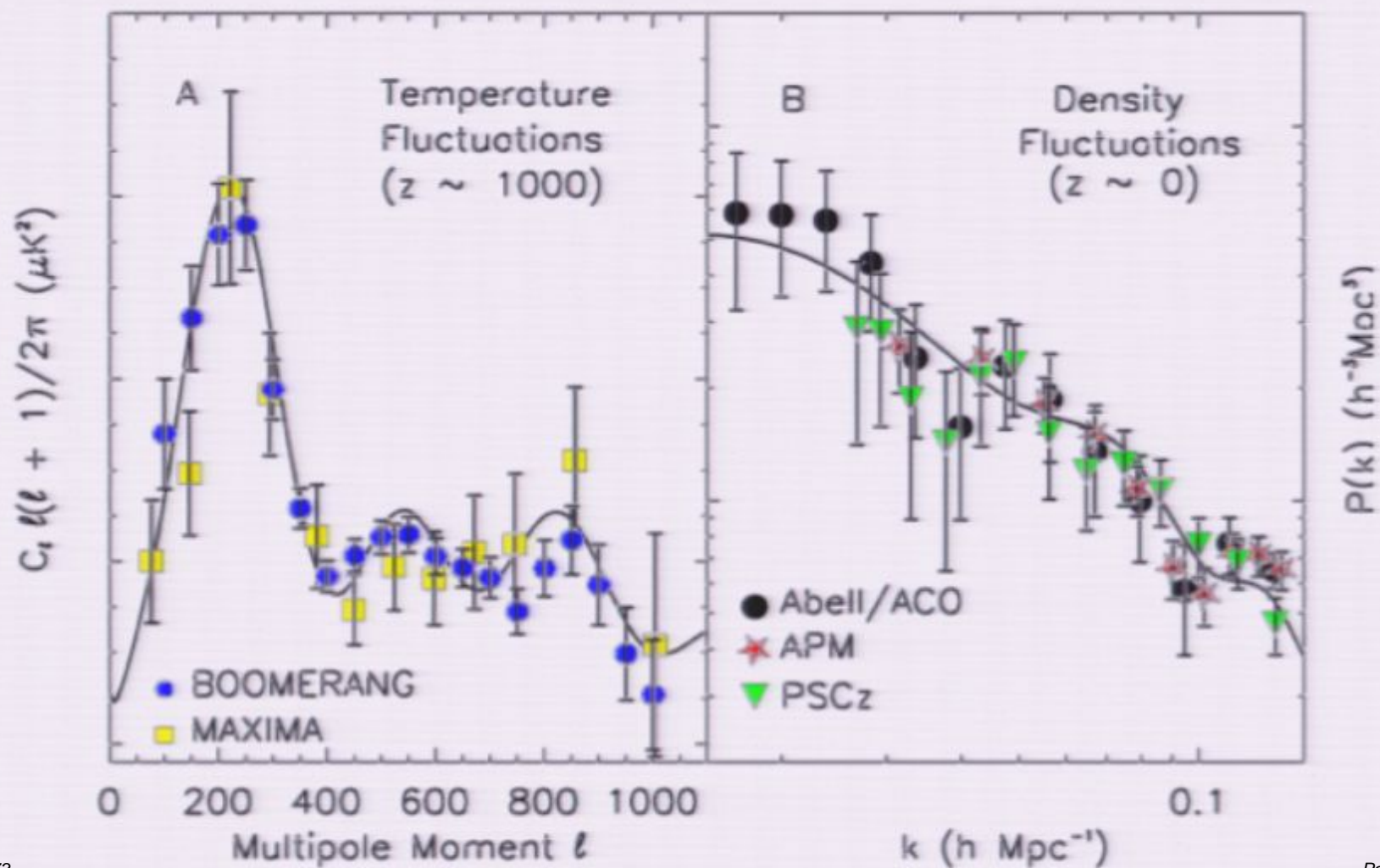
How does turnover depend on Ω_m ?

- How does Ω_m affect when matter-radiation equality occurs?
- Larger $\Omega_m \rightarrow$ earlier matter-radiation equality
 - Less chance for oscillation/stagnation
- Turnover moves to the ...

Matter power spectra for $h=0.5$, $\Omega_b h^2=0.019$, $A=3E6$



Baryon oscillations



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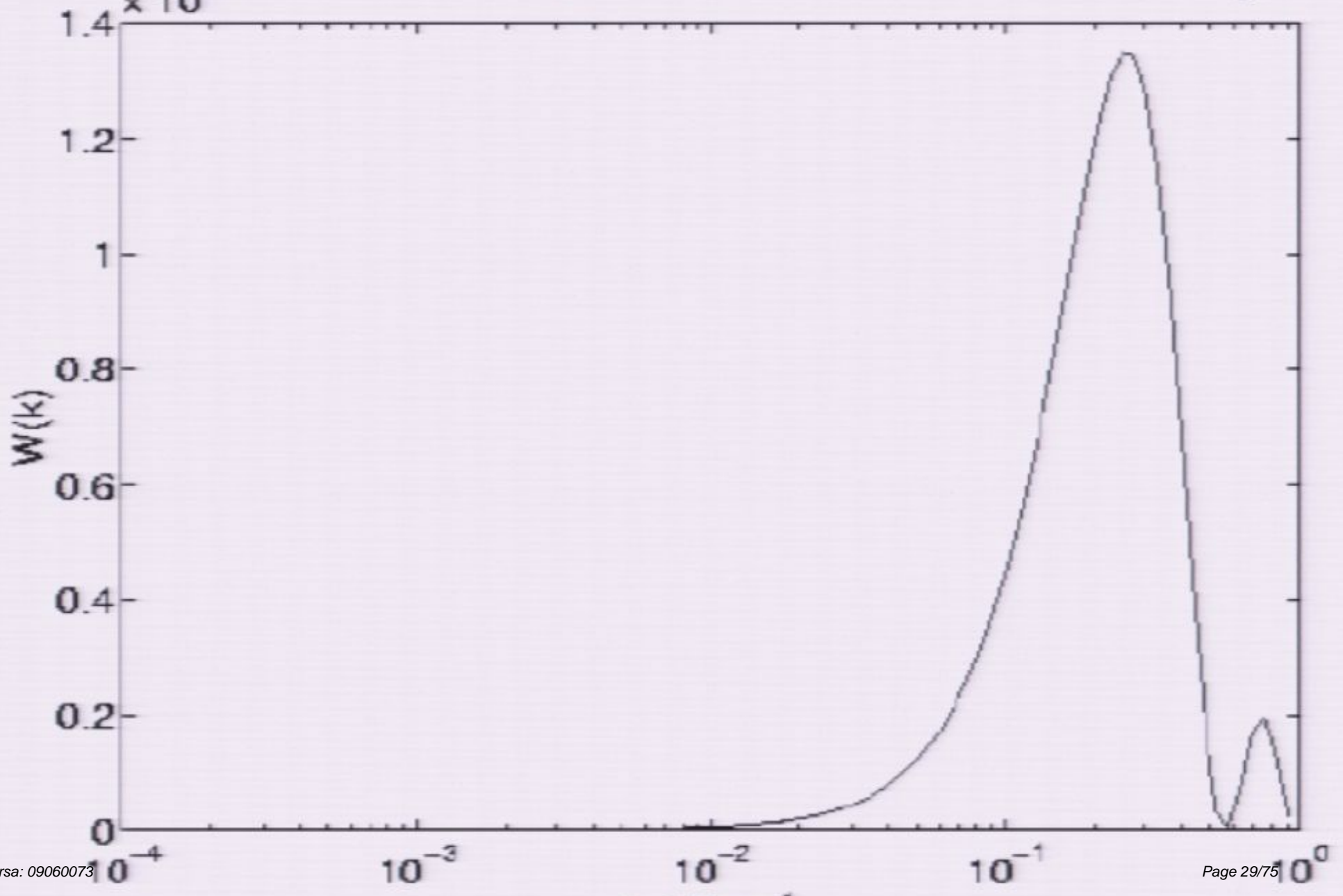
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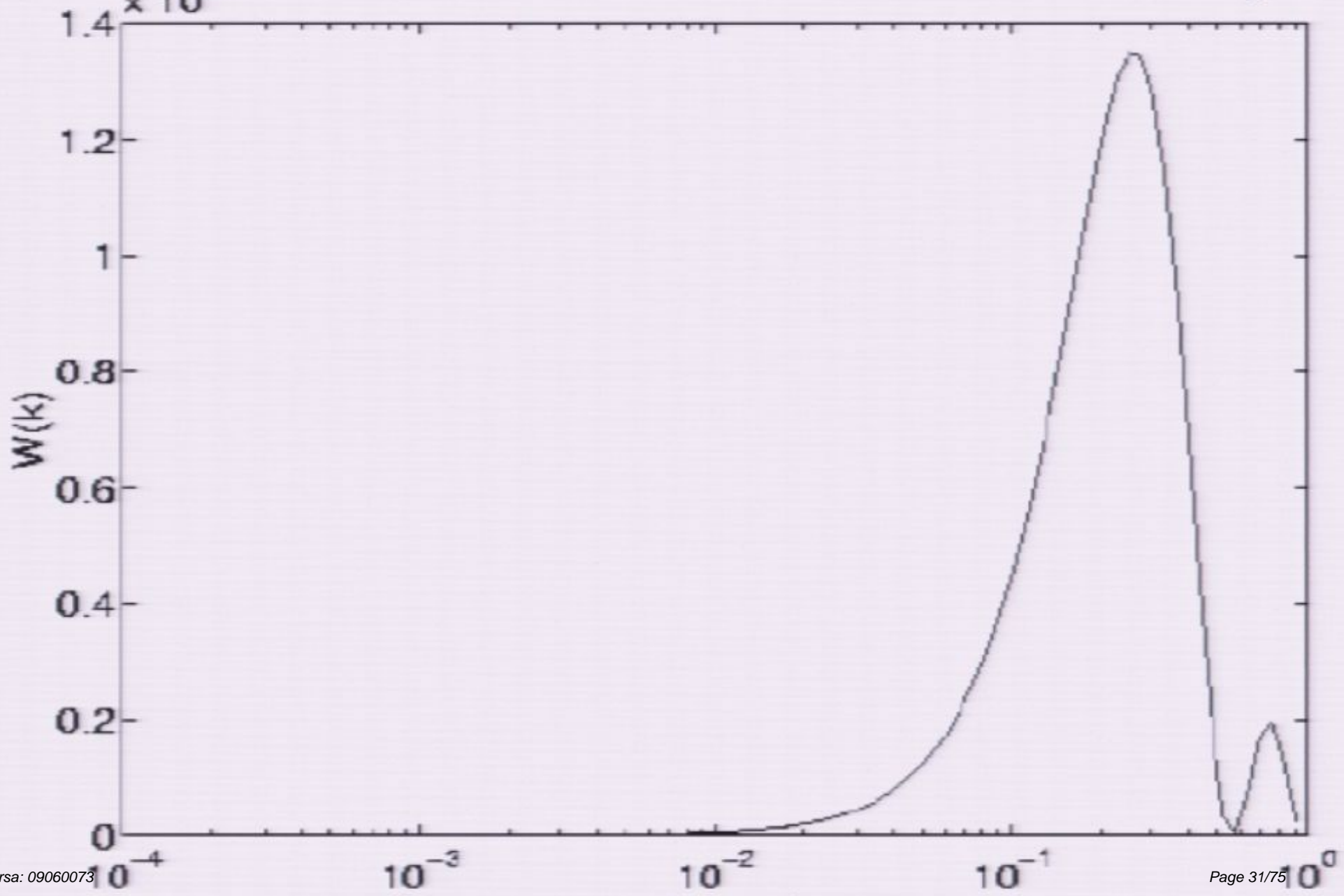
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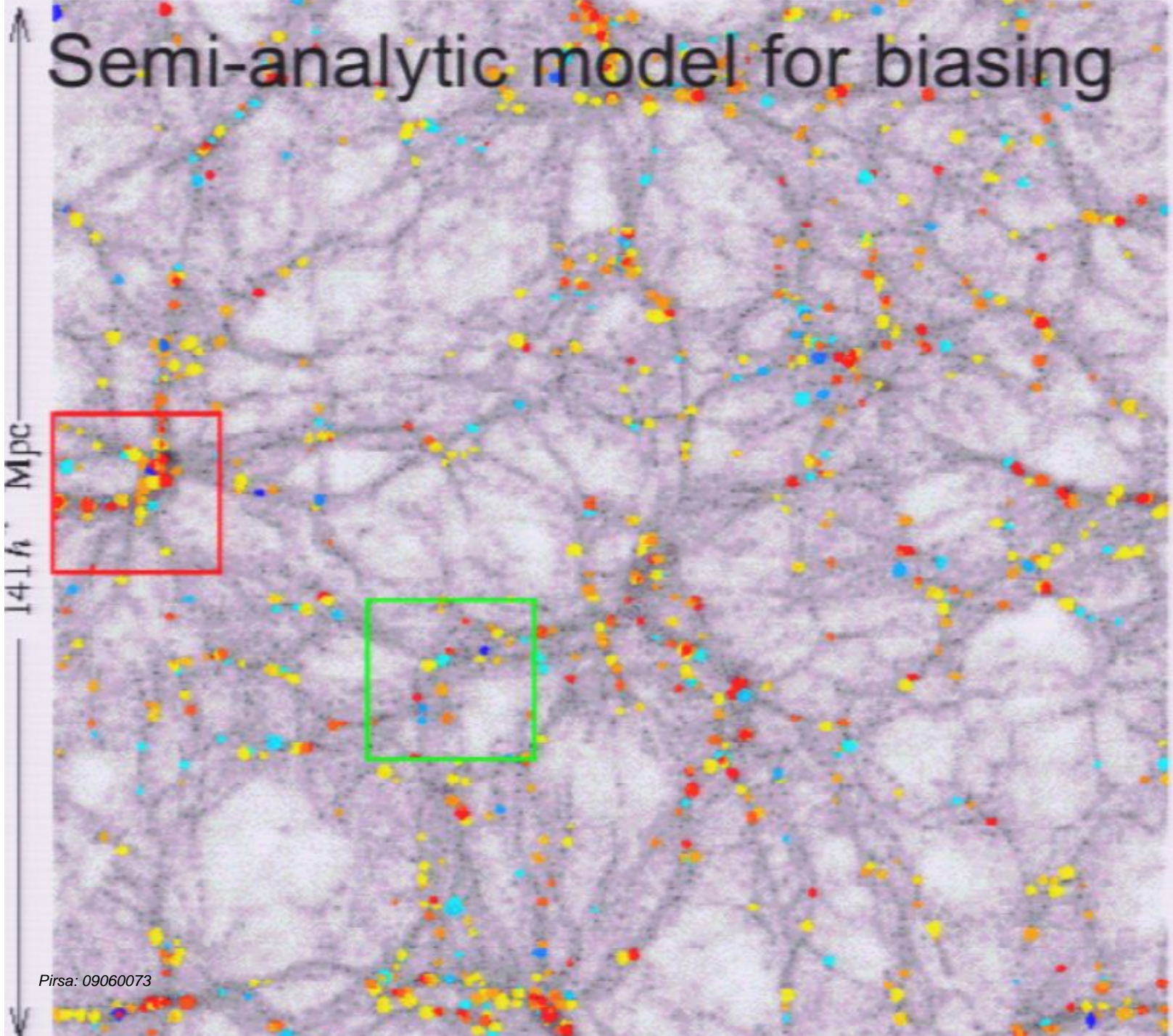
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Biassing

- Relation of galaxies to mass \equiv “bias”
- Comparison of different galaxy types
⇒ there must be some bias
- Theoretical models speculative
- Do galaxies tell us about cosmology...
– or about galaxy formation??

-0.1 0.4 0.9

Semi-analytic model for biasing



14.1 h Mpc

Linear Bias

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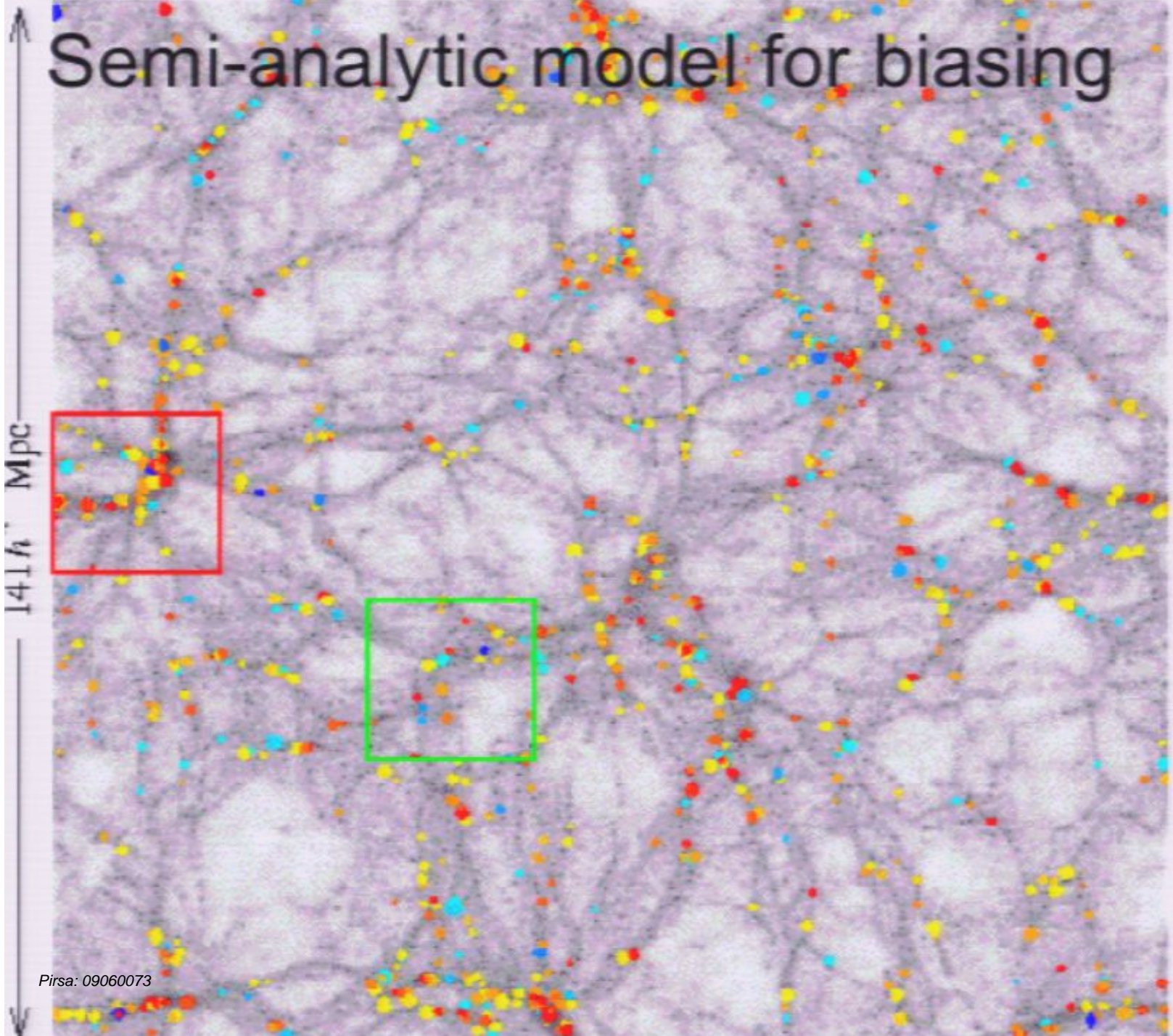
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Past galaxy surveys

NAME	N_{obj}	REF.
CAT. OF NEB. AND CLUSTERS	1000's	HERSCHEL (1864)
NEW GENERAL CATALOGUE	11,475	DREYER (1888, 1895, 1908)
HEIDELBERG NEBULAR LISTS	10,000+	WOLF (1901-1916), REINMUTH (1916-1940)
HUBBLE	44,000	[HUBBLE, 1934]
SHAPLEY	392,870	[SHAPLEY, 1938]
ABELL CLUSTERS	~3,000	[ABELL, 1958]
LICK	1,000,000+	[SHANE AND WIRTANEN, 1967]
CGCG	30,700	[ZWICKY ET AL., 1968]
JAGGELONIAN FIELD	10,000	[RUDNICKY AND ET AL., 1973]
TEXAS RADIO SOURCES	65,208	[DOUGLAS, 1987]
EDINBURGH/DURHAM	40,000	[HEYDON-DUMBLETON ET AL., 1988]
ACO CLUSTERS	~3,000	[ABELL ET AL., 1989]
APM	2,000,000	[MADDOX ET AL., 1990a]
IRAS PSC	~14,000	[SAUNDERS, 1996]

Lick catalogue

- Visual inspection of plates
- Limiting magnitude ~ 18.5
- Effective depth $300 h^{-1}$ Mpc



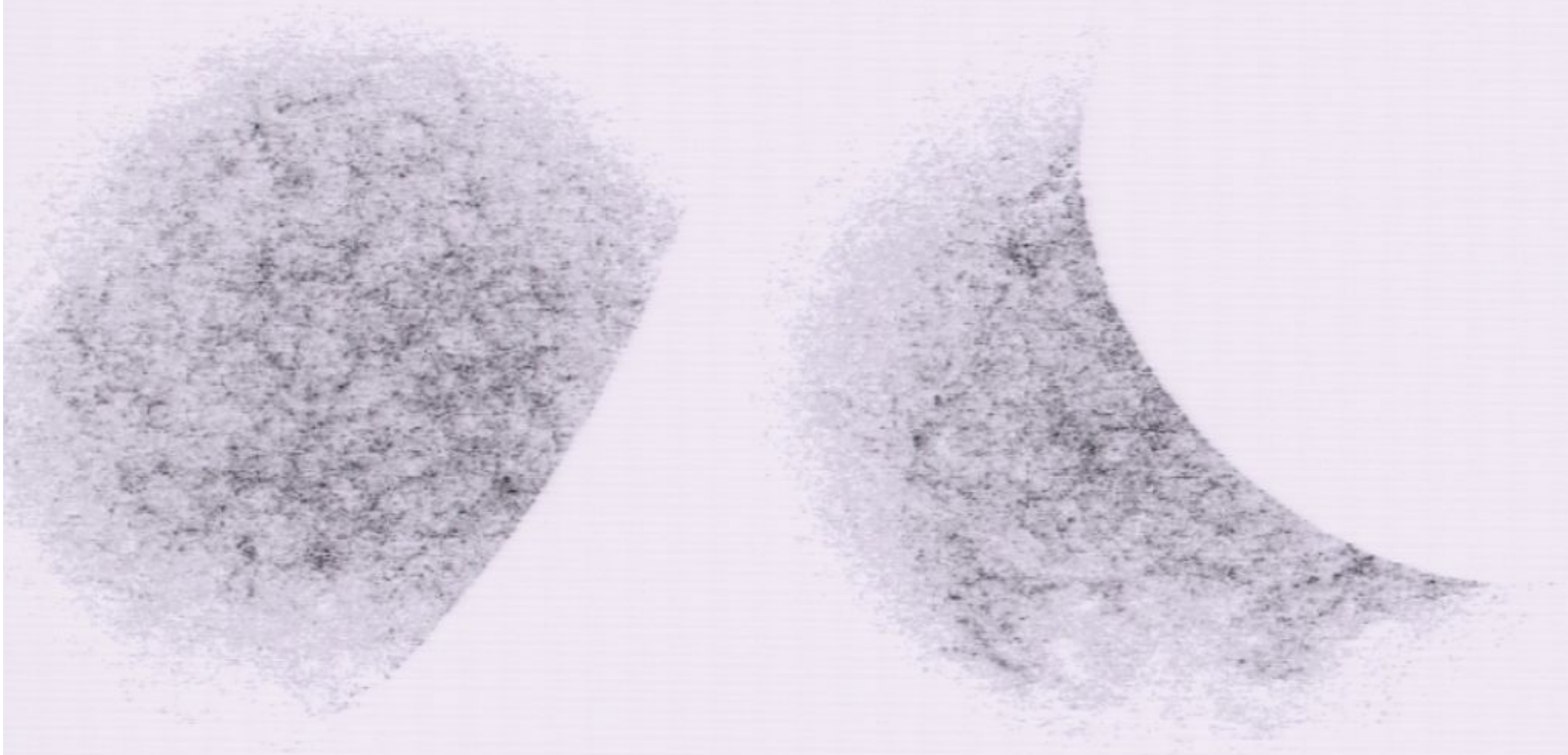


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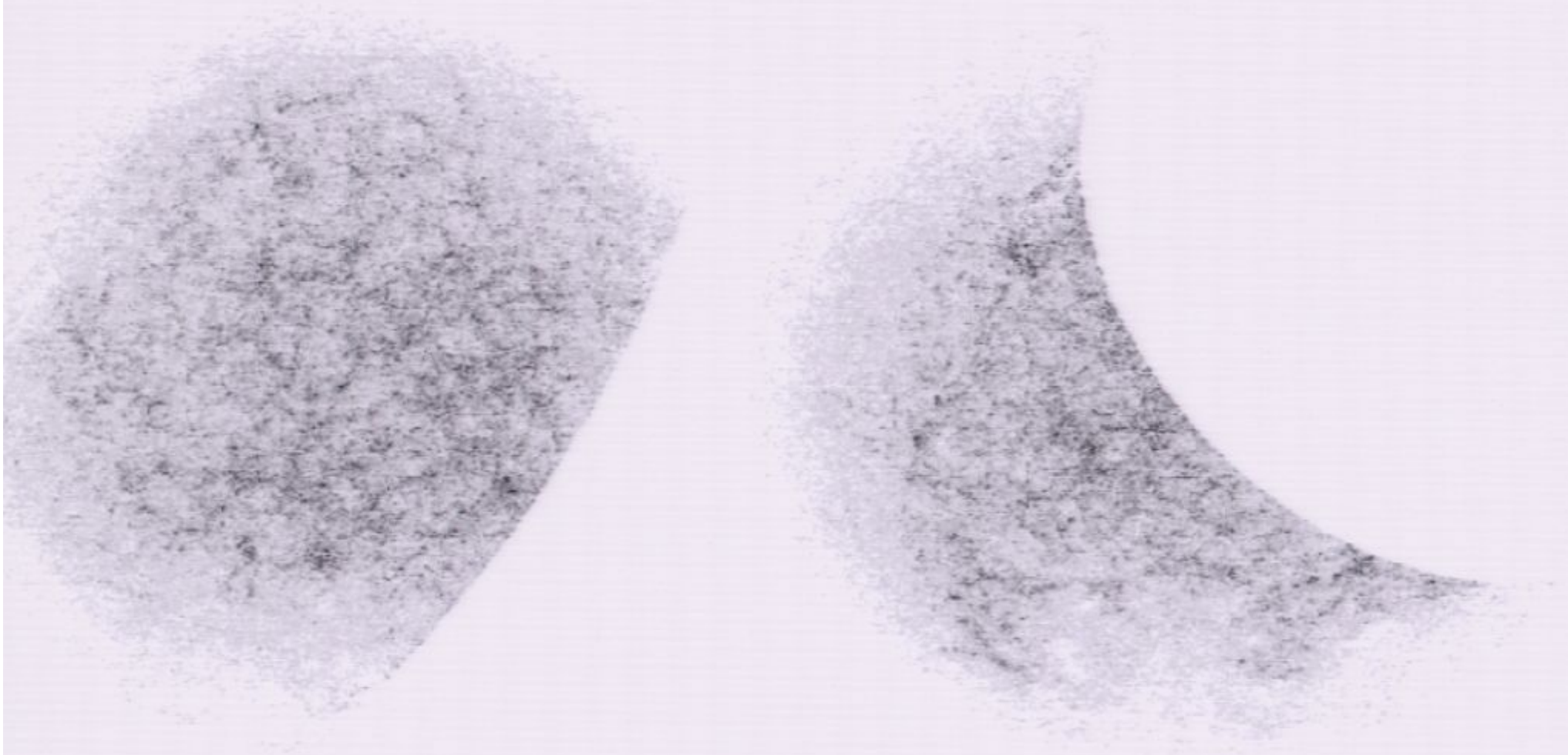


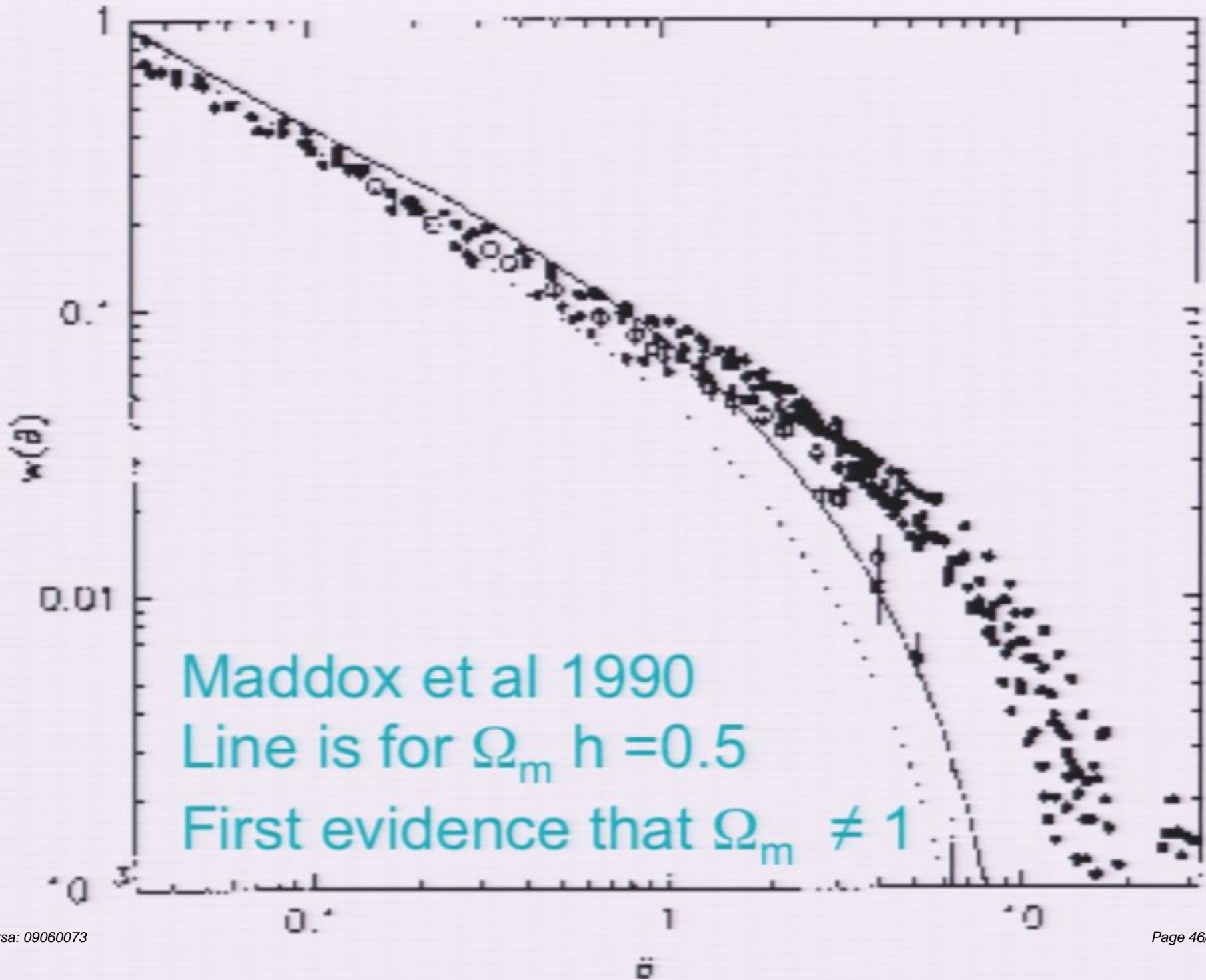
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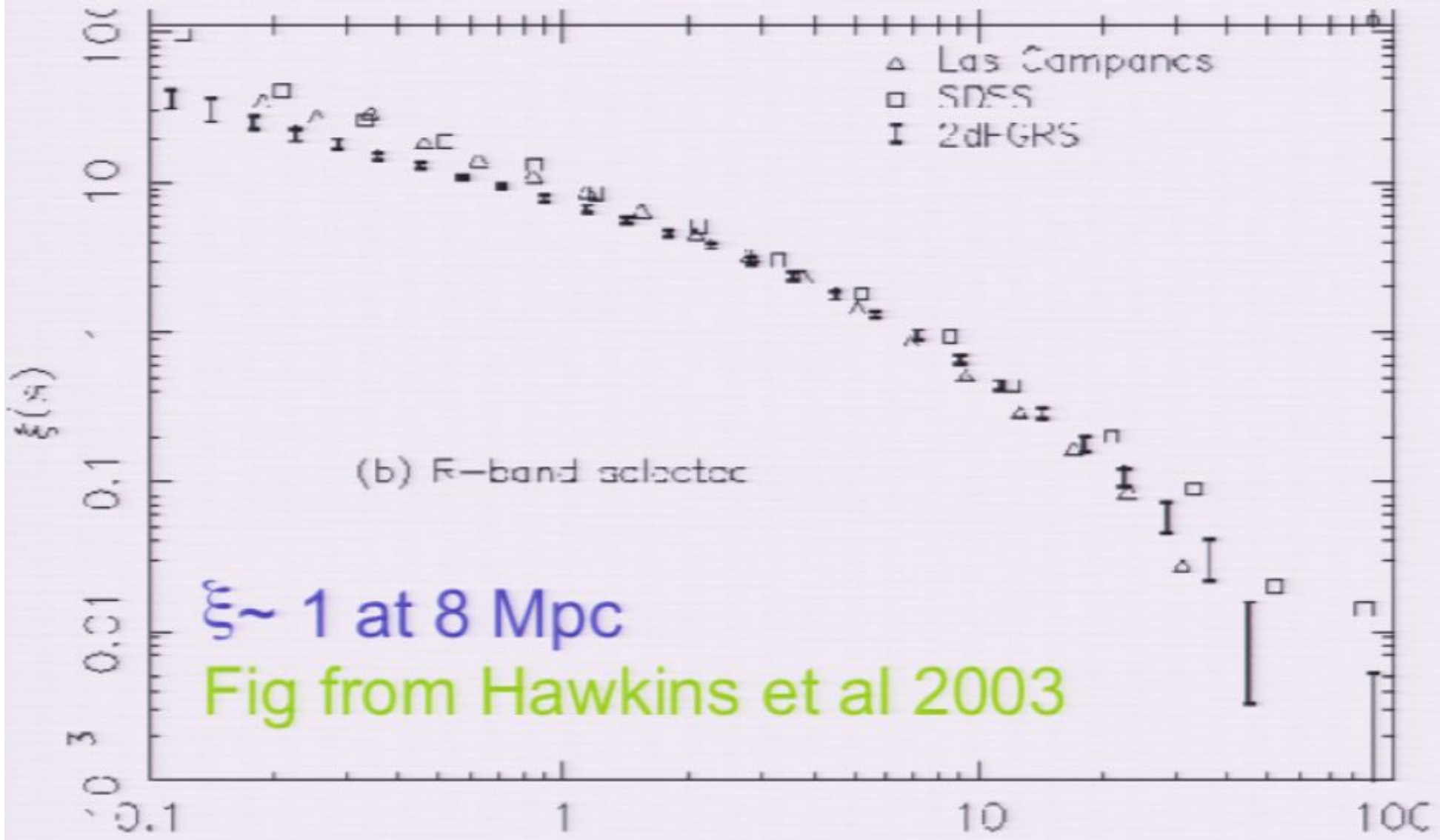
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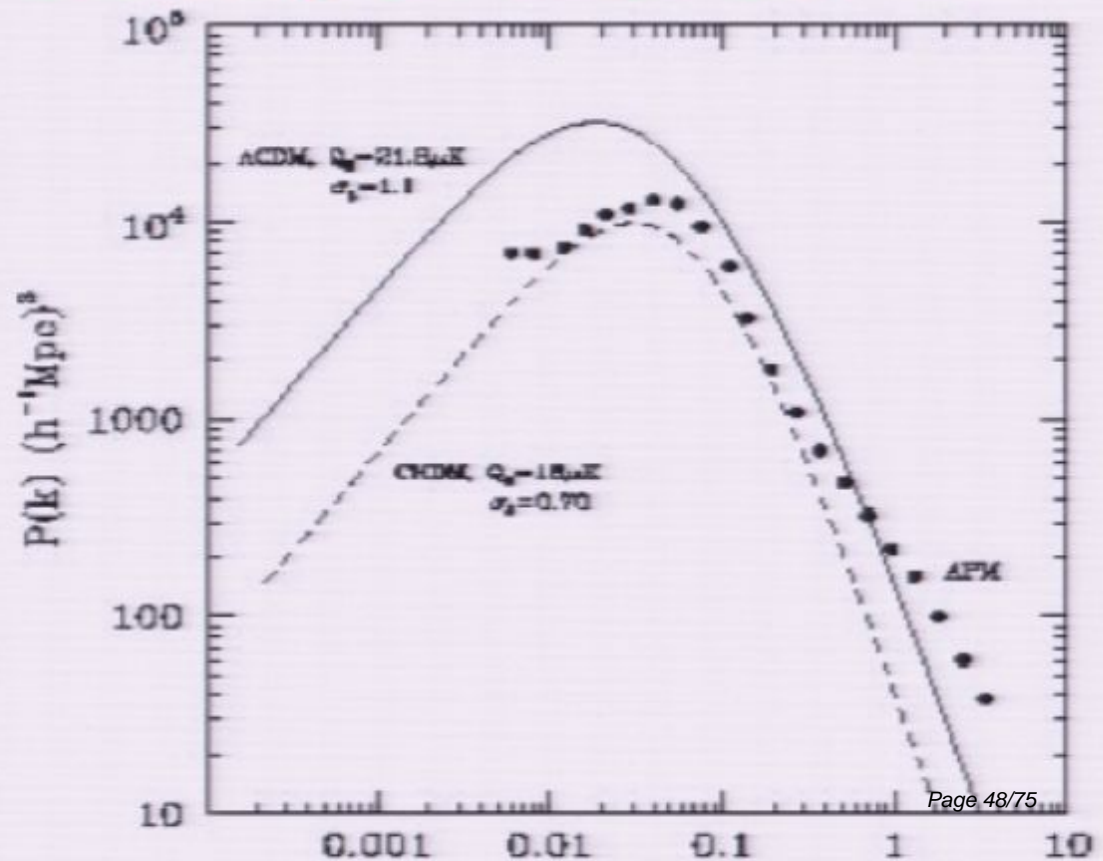


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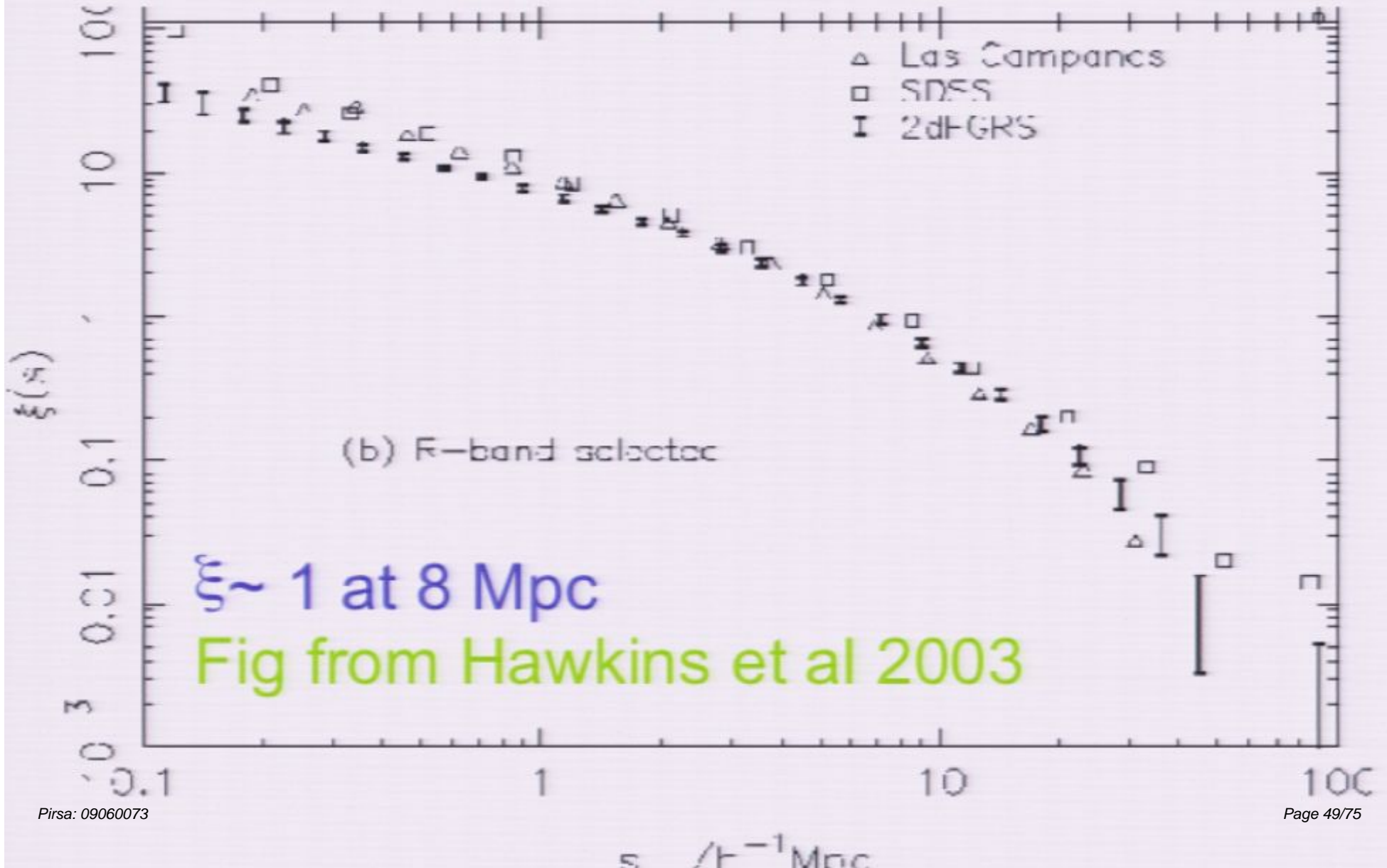


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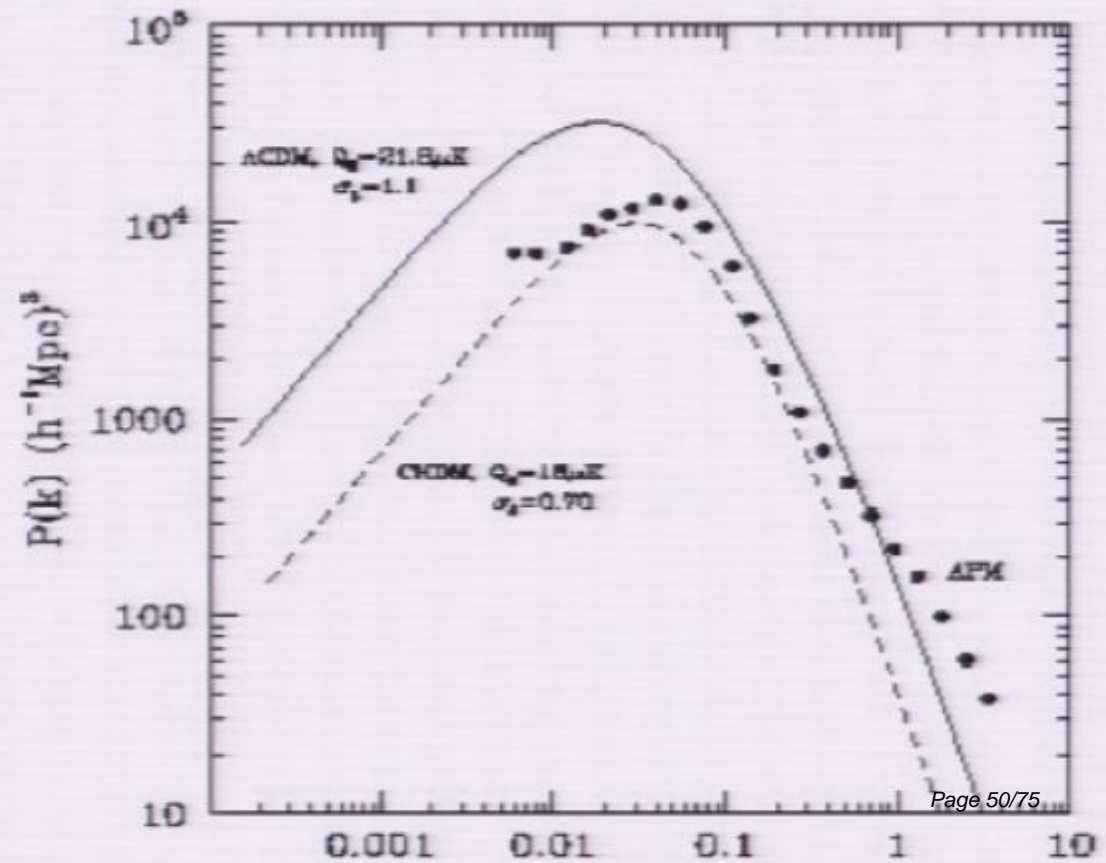


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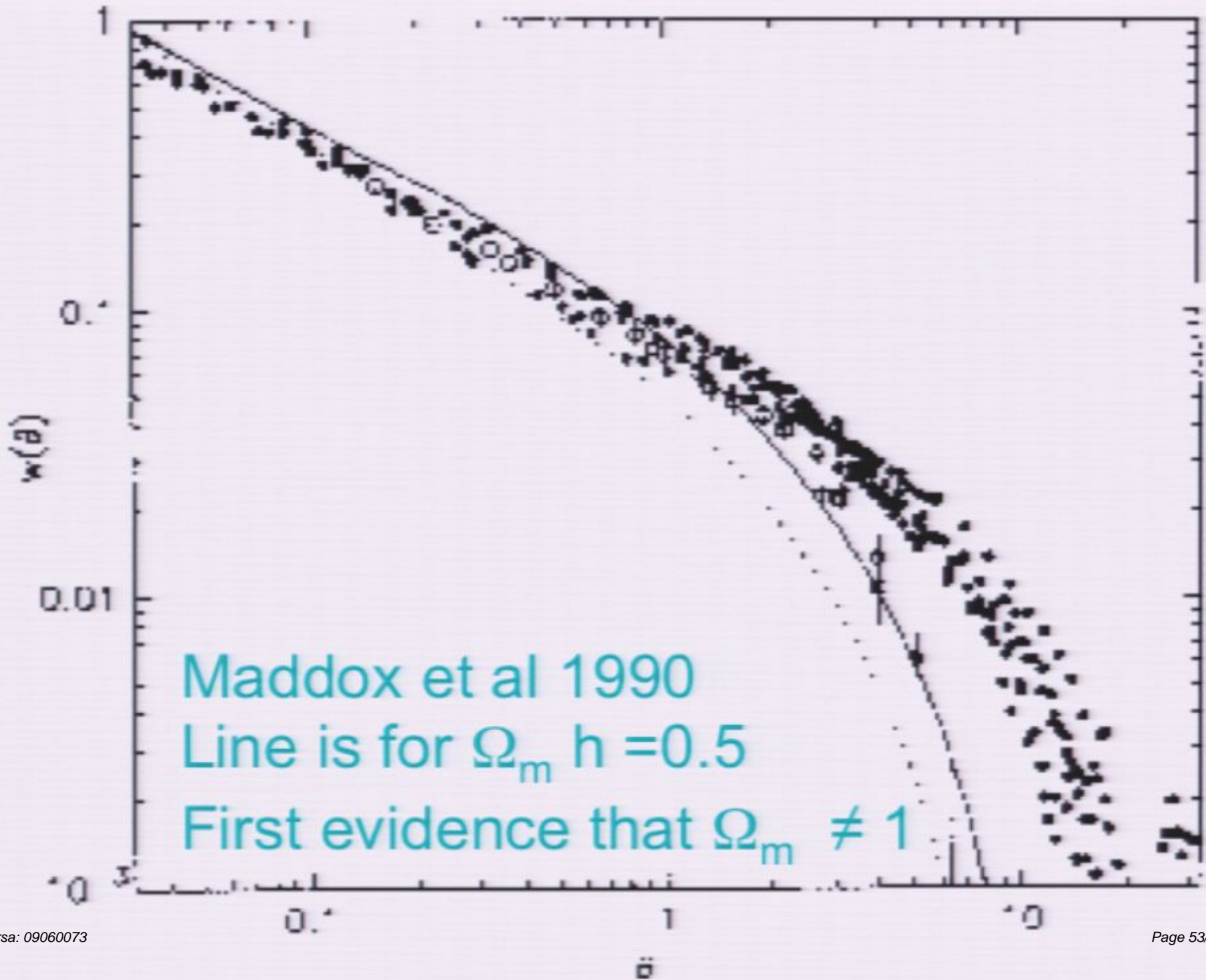


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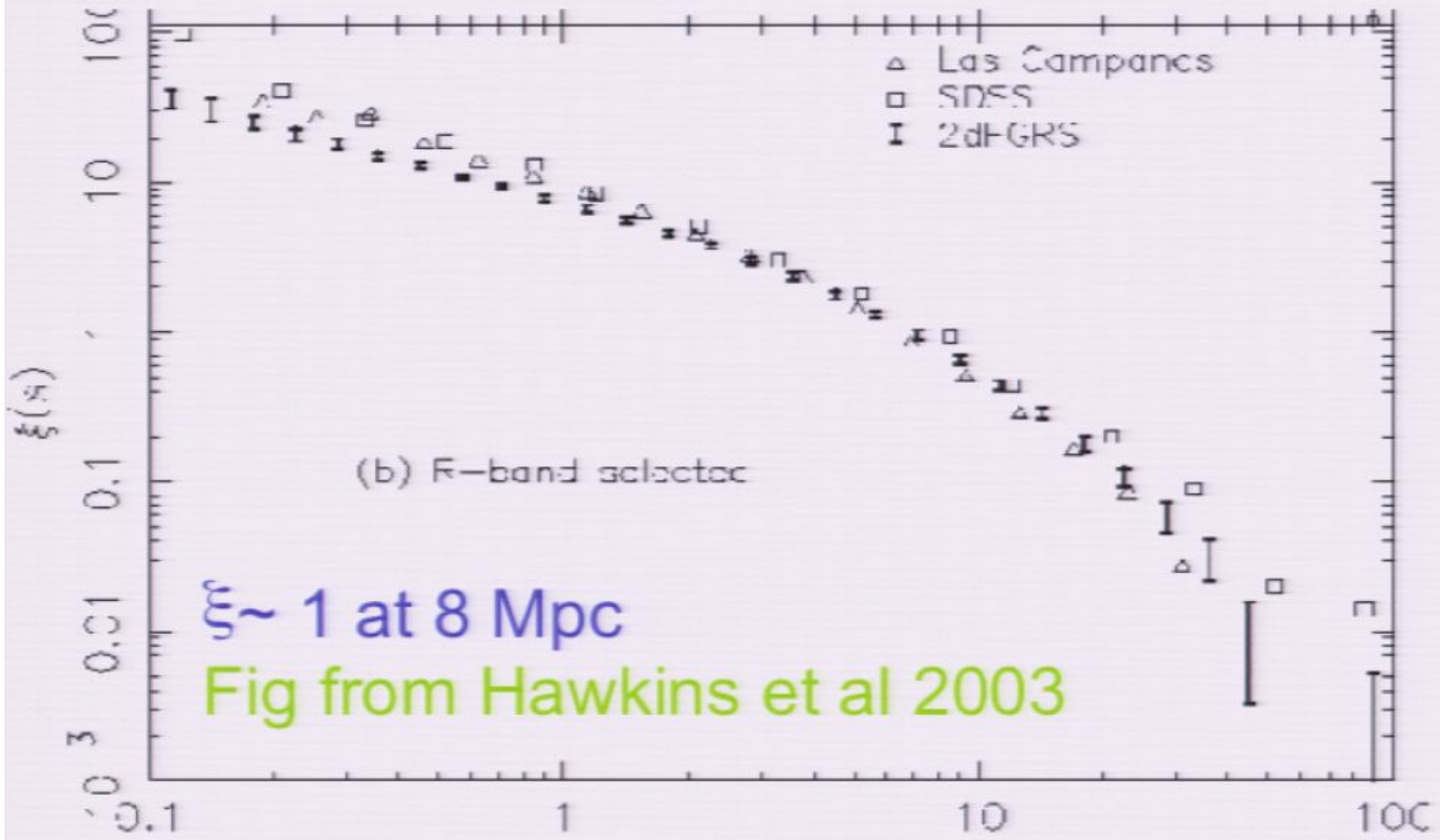
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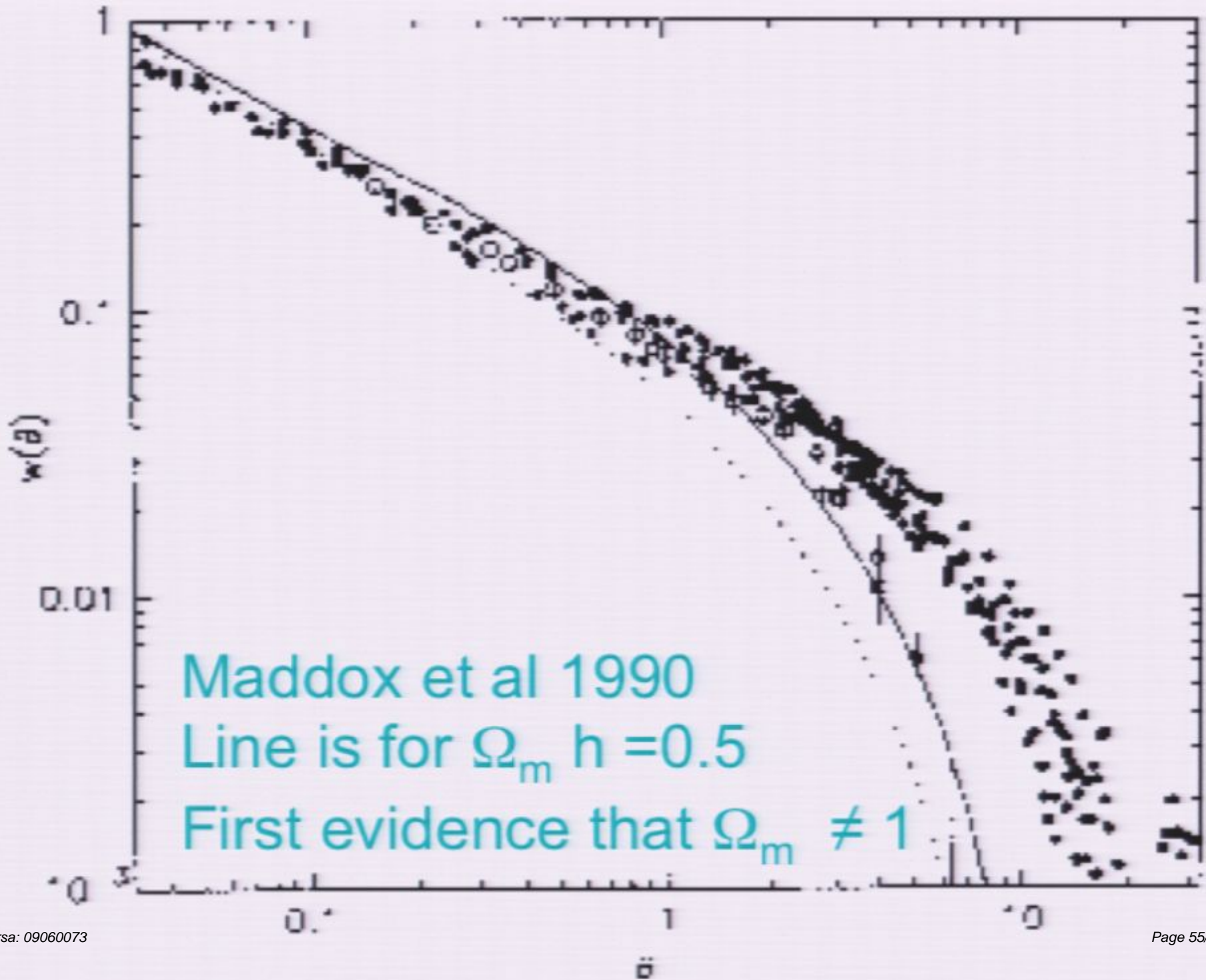
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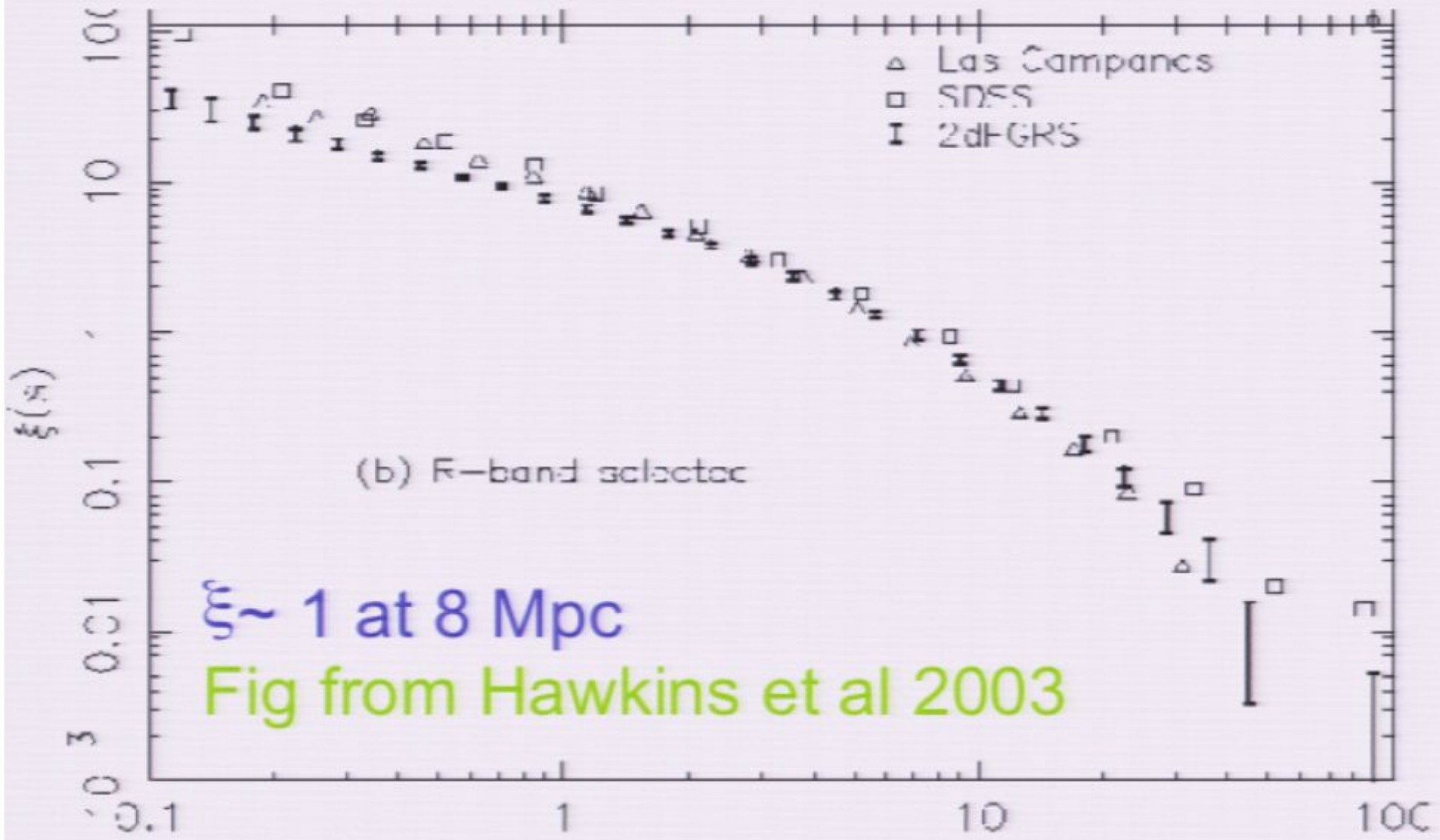


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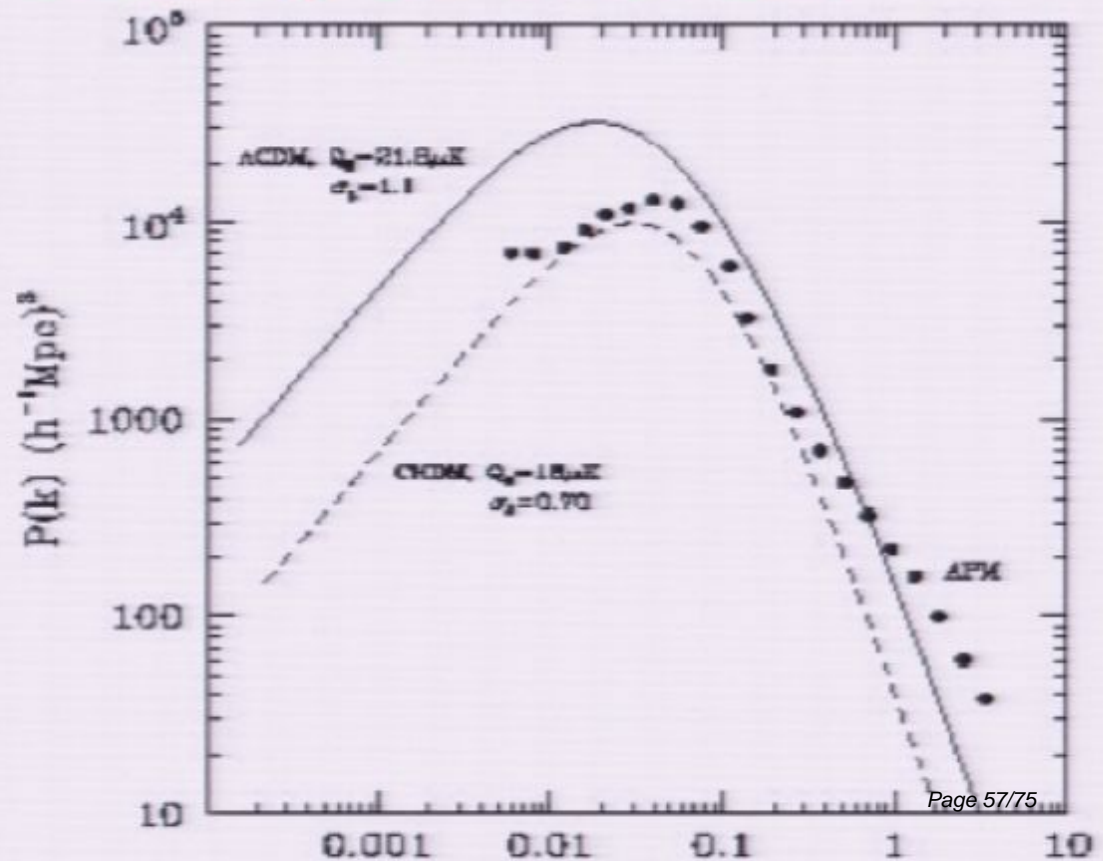


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The latest: 2dF and SDSS

- 2dFGRS:

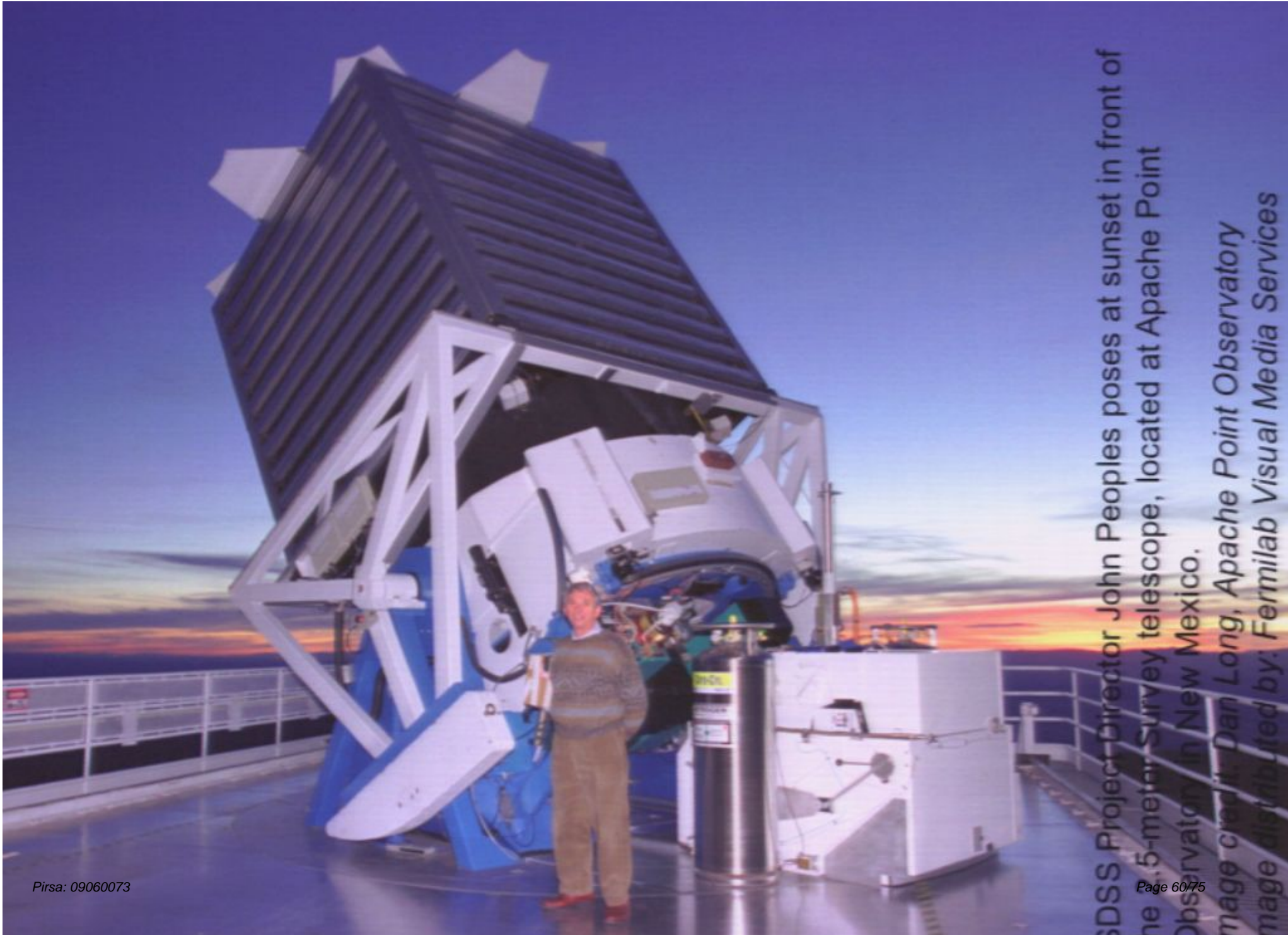
- 250,000 galaxies with redshifts
- galaxies selected from APM
- Median redshift 0.17
- Final data released in summer 2004

- SDSS GRS

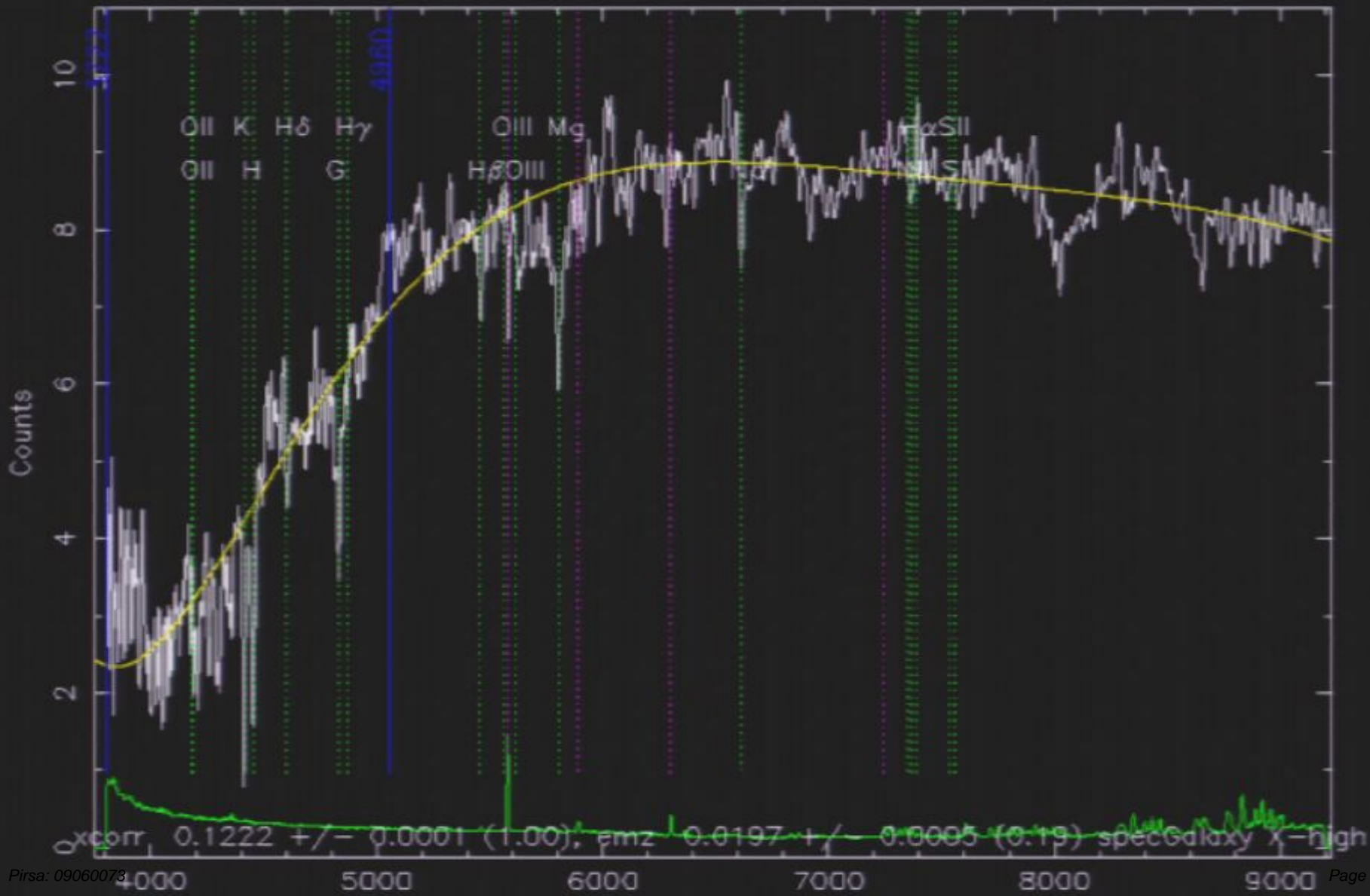
- aims at 1,000,000 redshifts
- DR3 was 11 days ago
- >5000 square degrees
- 141,000,000 objects

374,000 galaxy spectra

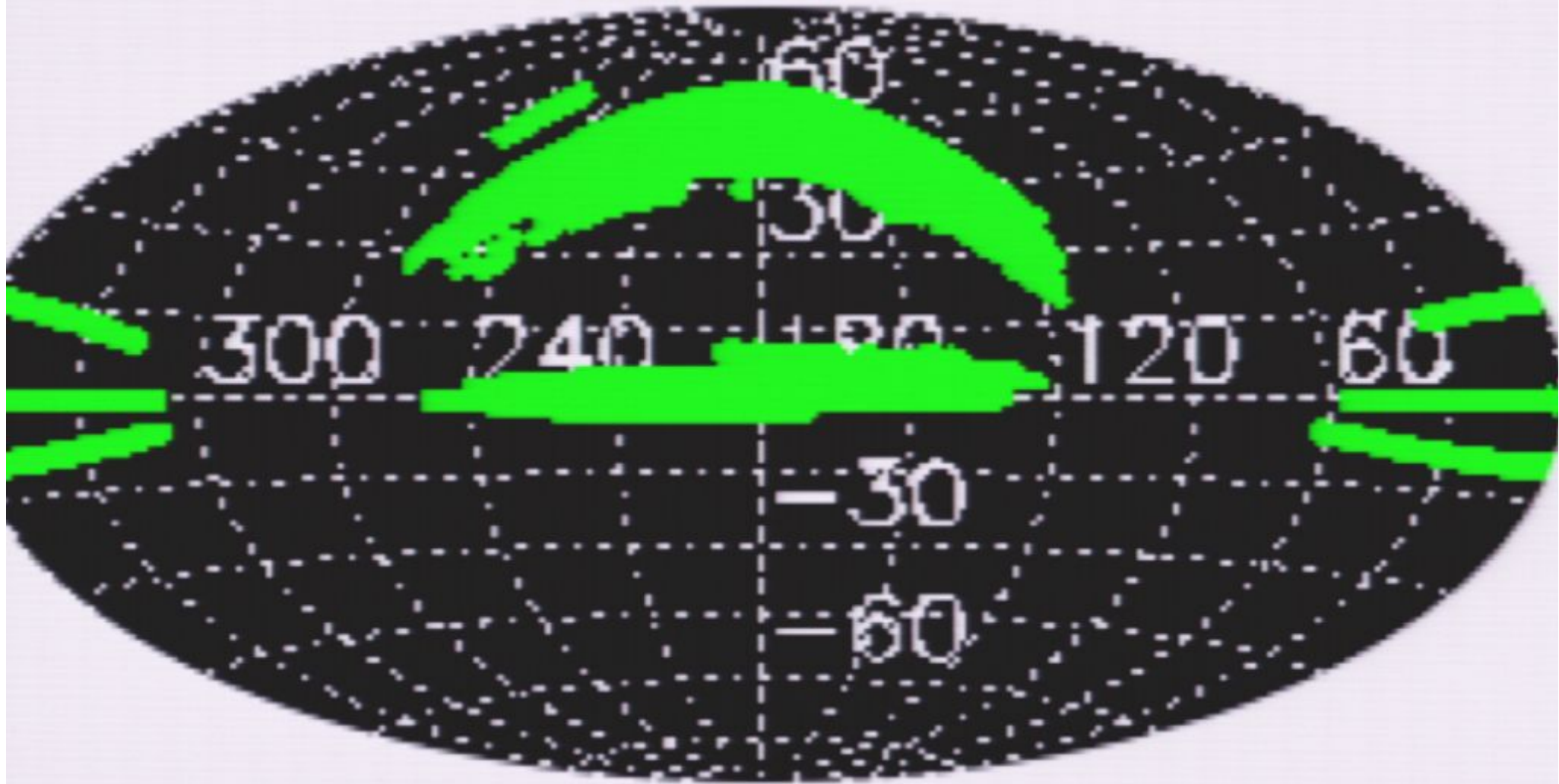




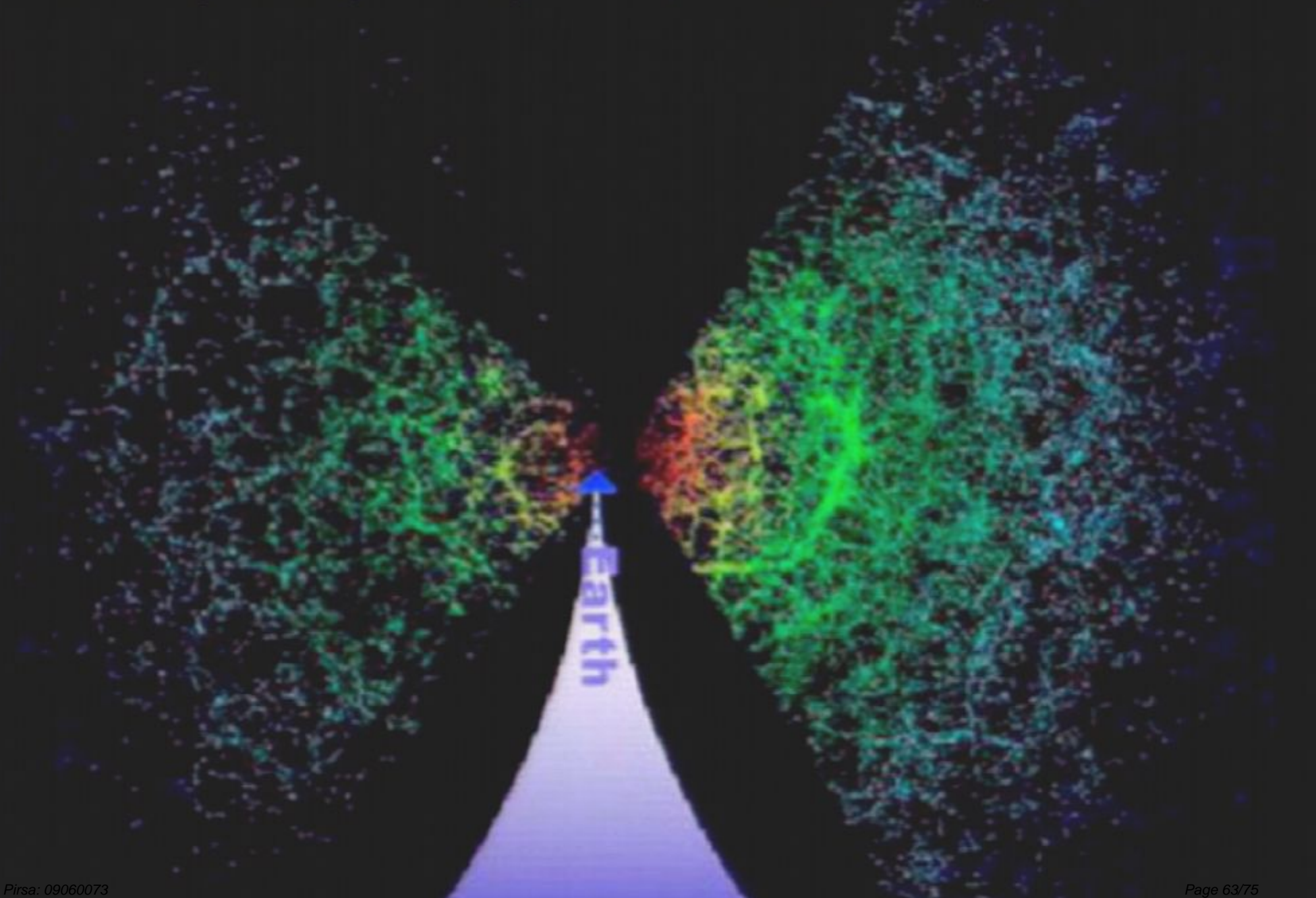
SDSS Project Director John Peoples poses at sunset in front of the 5-meter Survey telescope, located at Apache Point Observatory in New Mexico.
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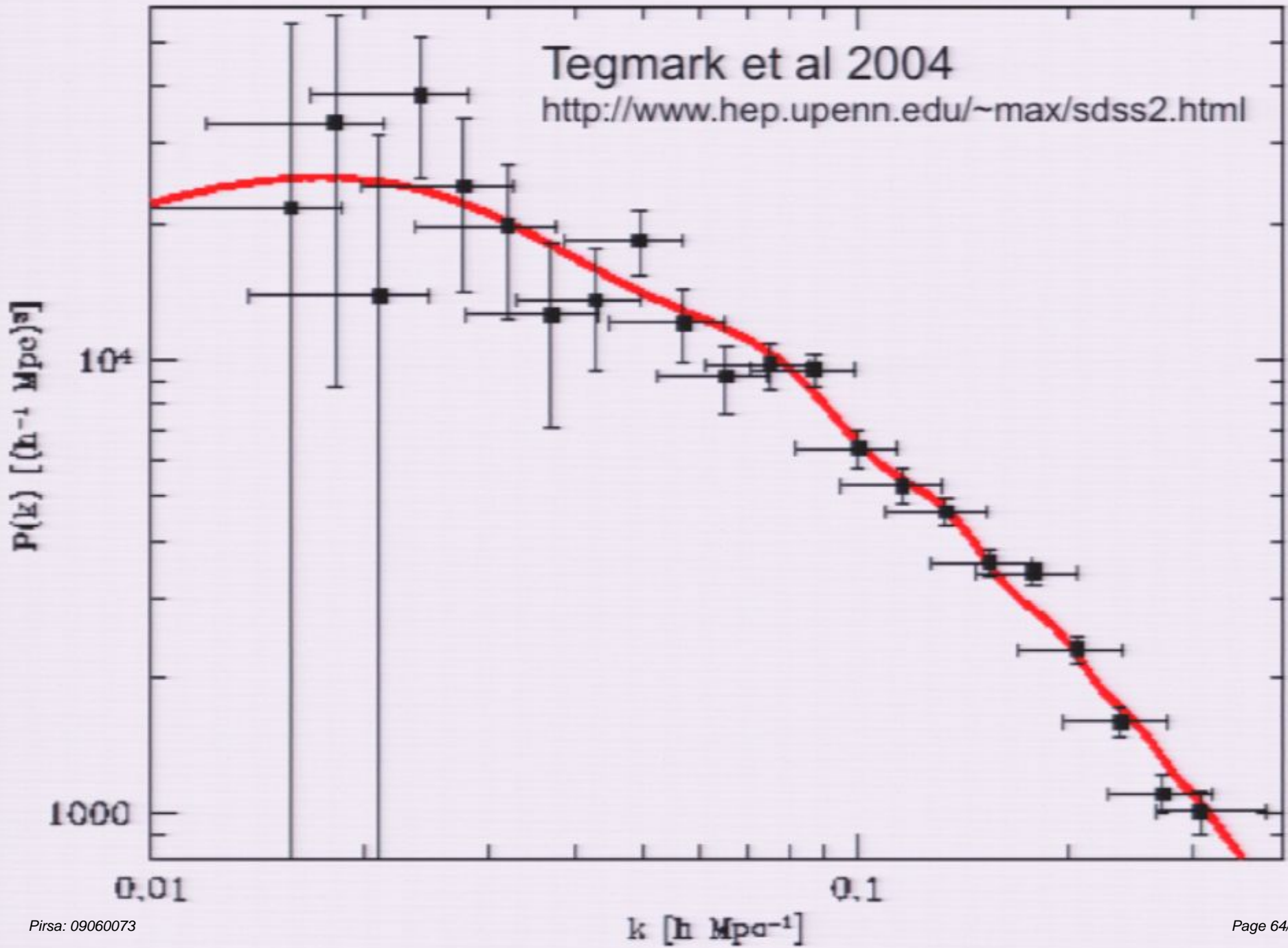


SDSS spectroscopic survey area

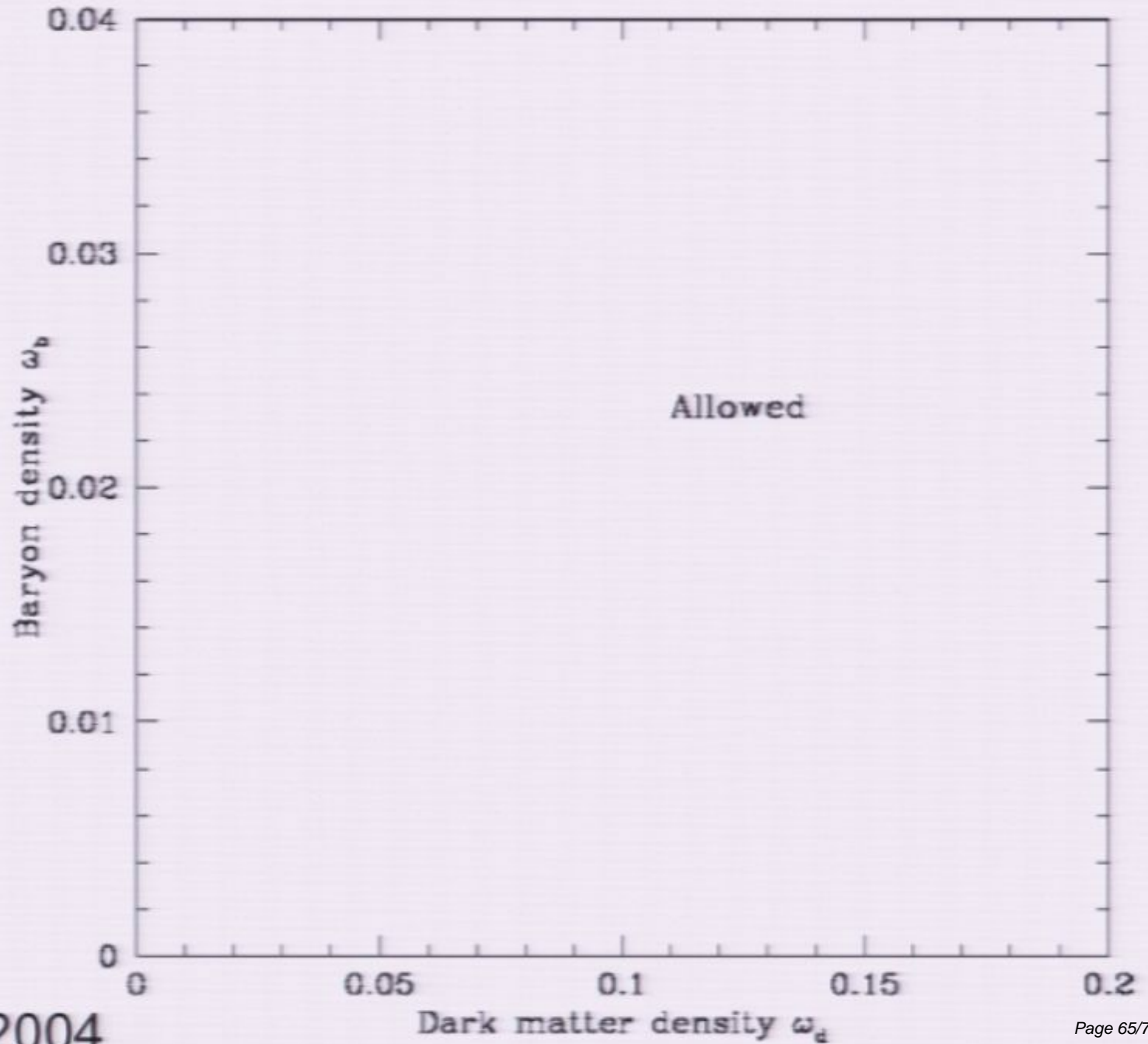


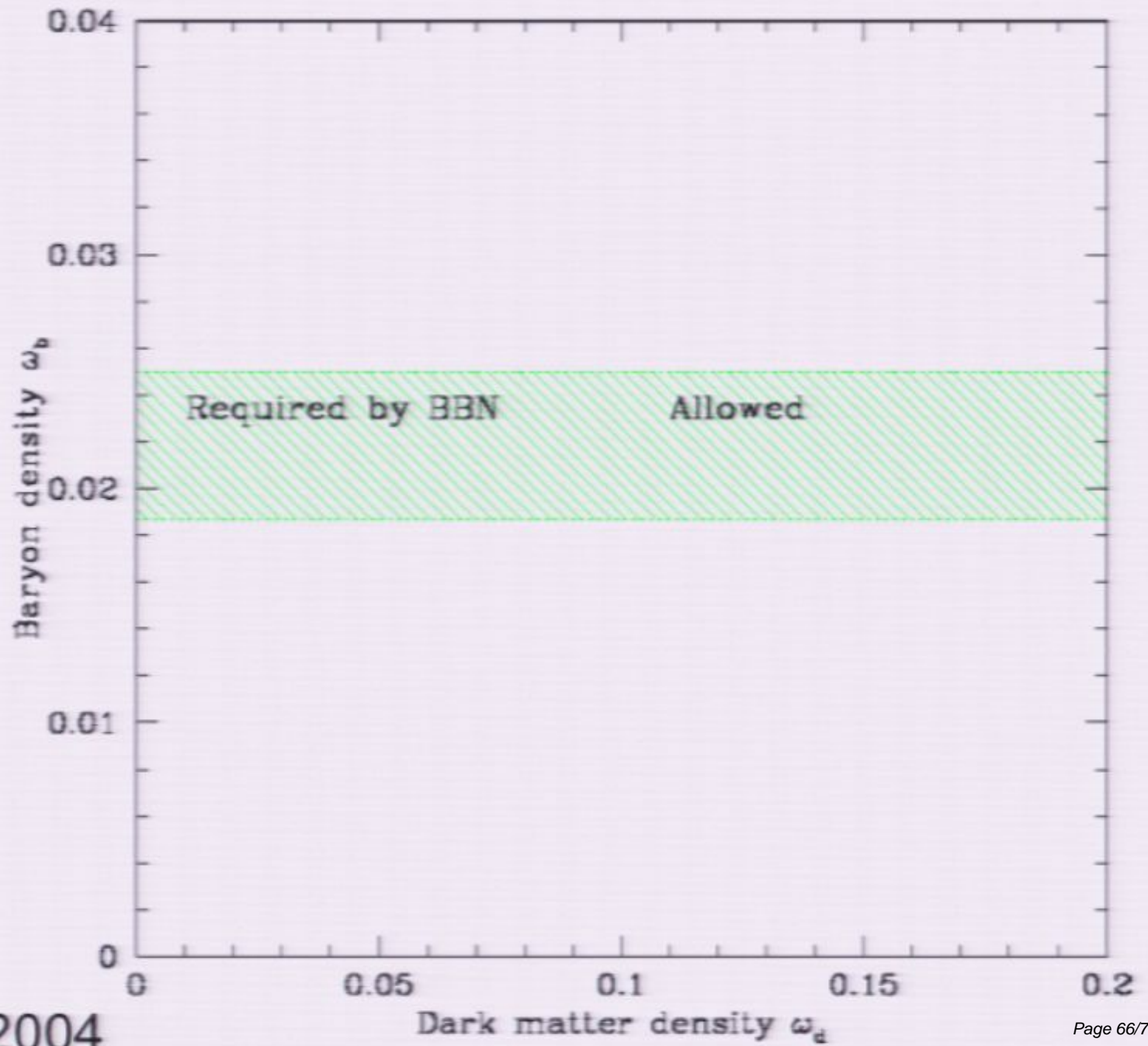
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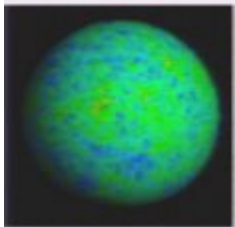


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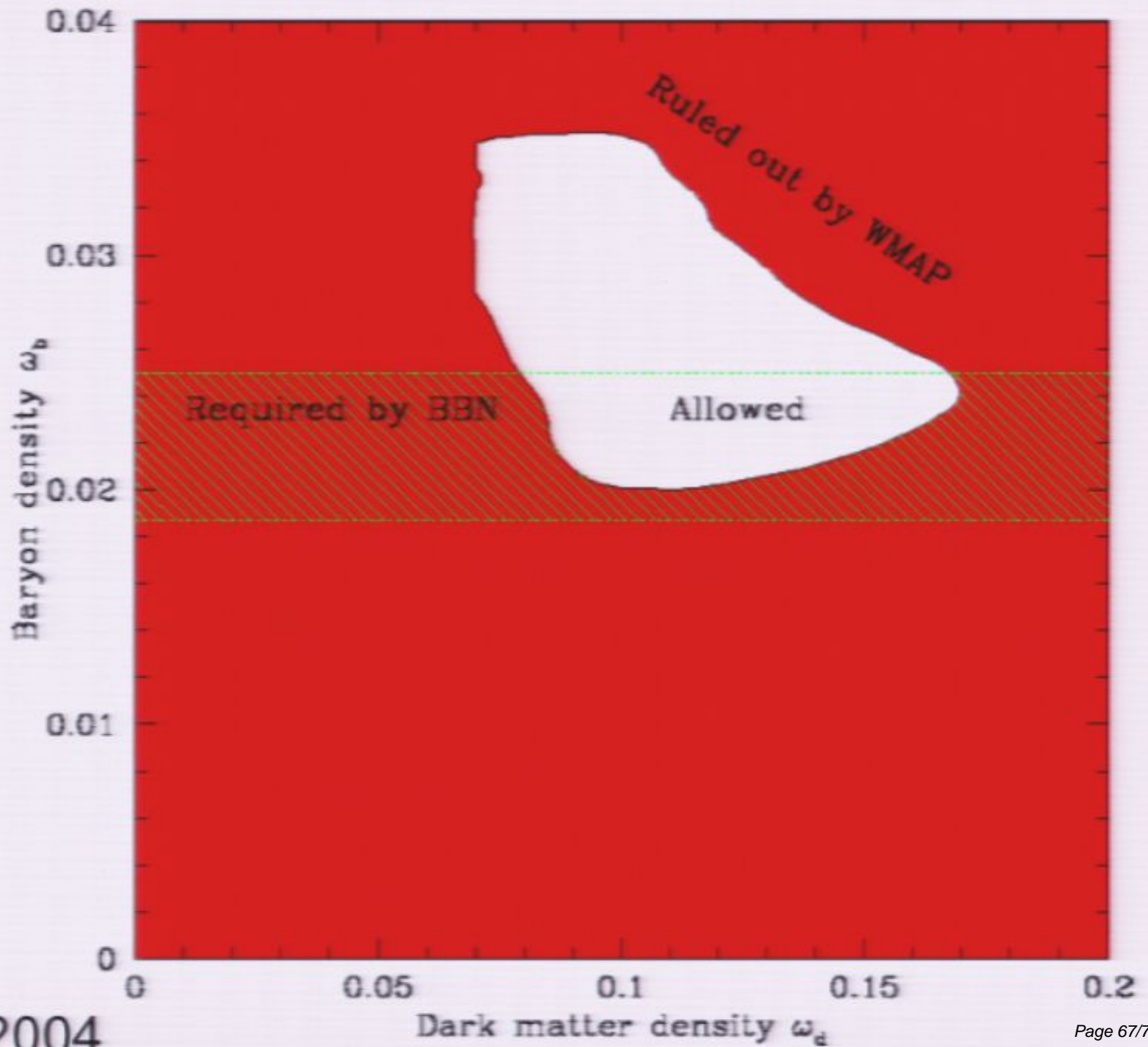




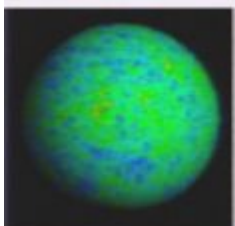
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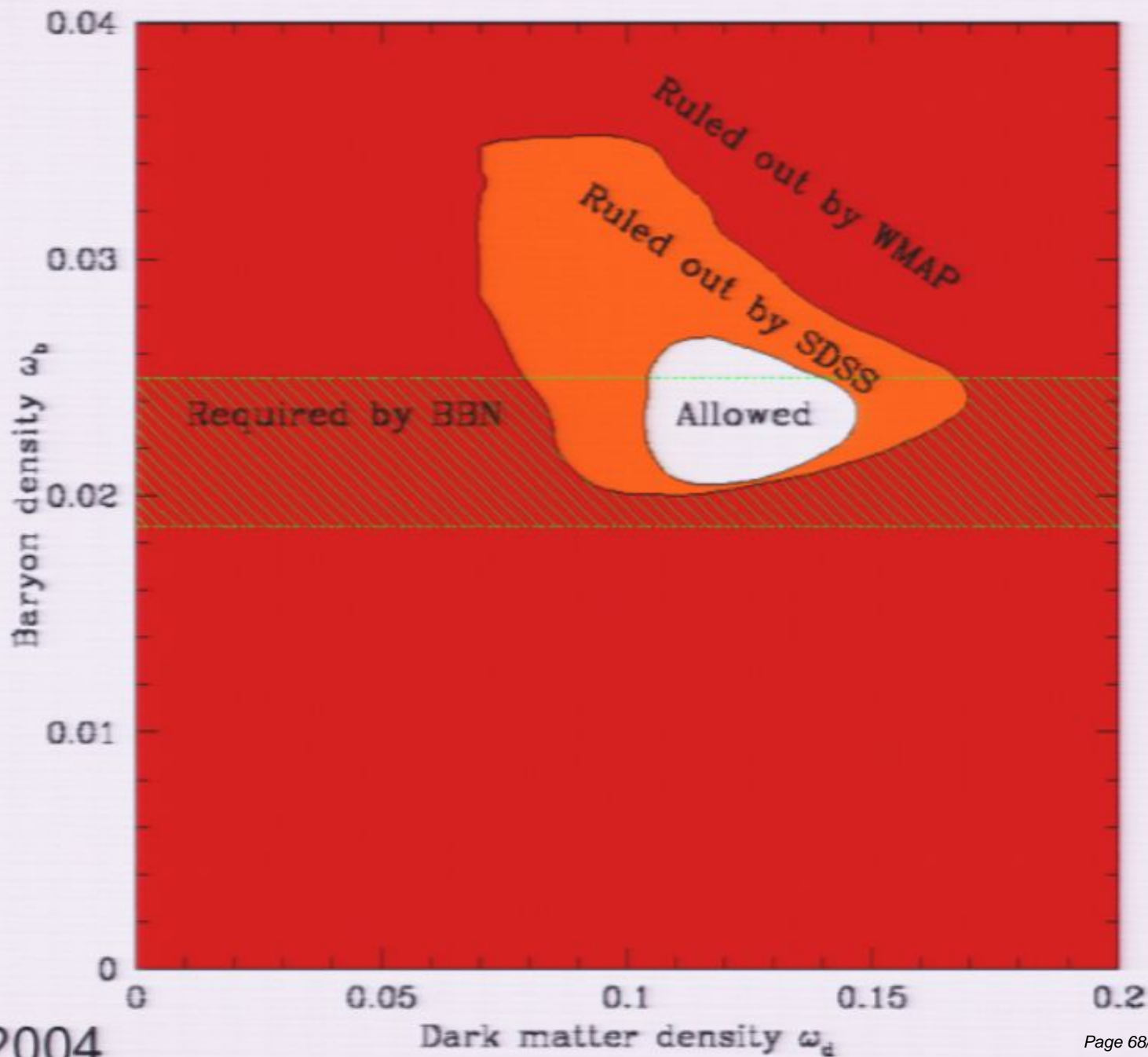
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LSS



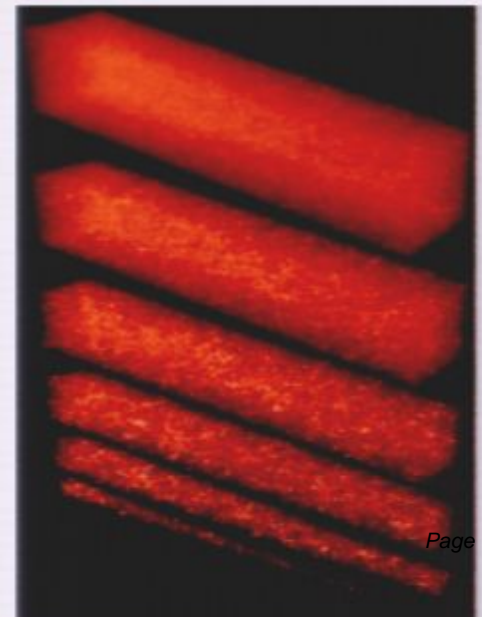
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Ongoing galaxy redshift surveys

- Completion of SDSS
- 6dF
- DEEP 2 (like 2dFGRS at $z \sim 1$)
- VIRMOS VLT Deep Survey
– (VVDS)
- UKIDSS



Future galaxy surveys

- KAOS (Kilo-aperture optical spectrograph)
- LSST (large-aperture synoptic survey telescope)
- SNAP (supernova/acceleration probe)
 - all >2010

- ~300 million photometric redshifts from
 - DES, VISTA, PanSTARRS ~ 2008

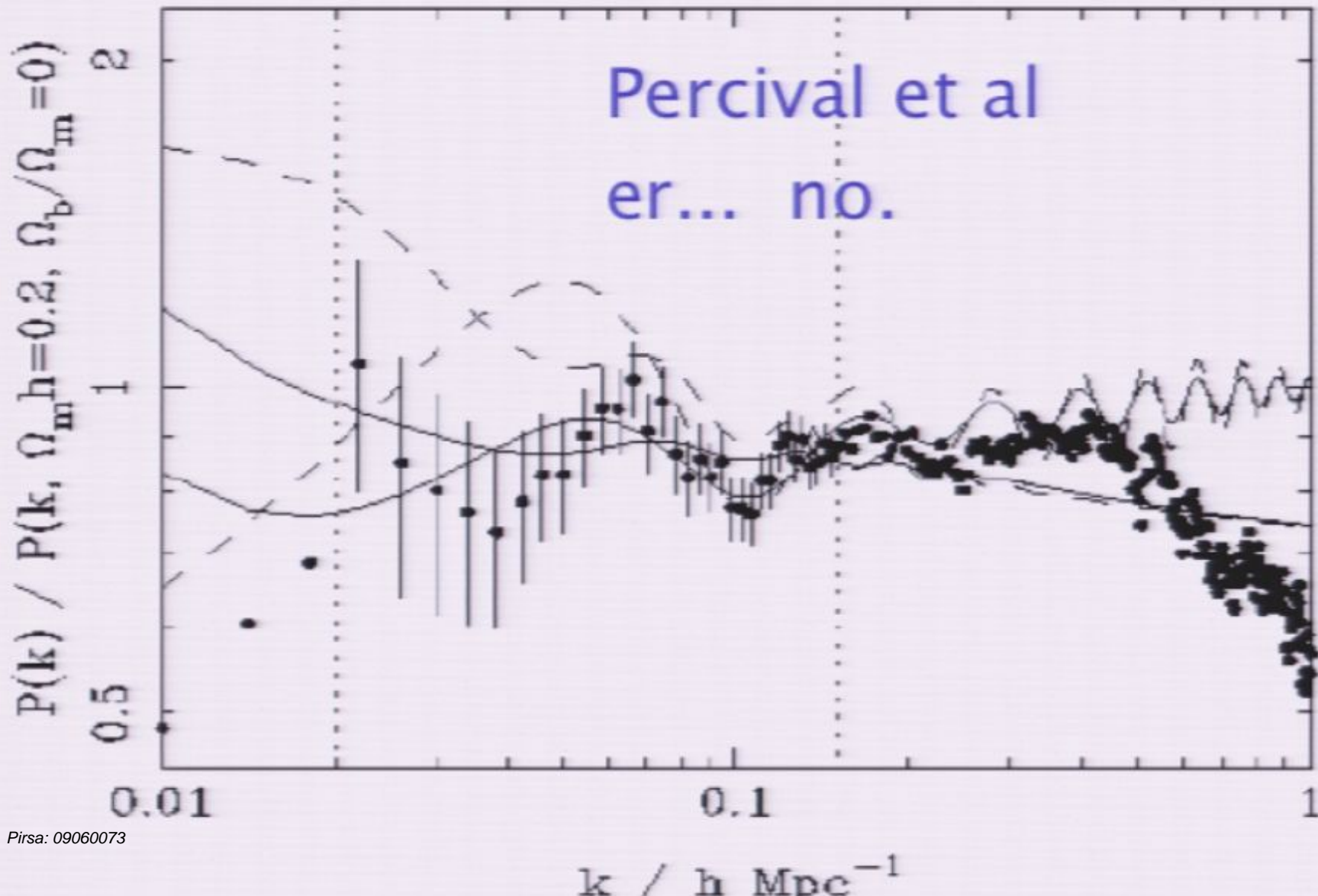
The long term future

- CMB (next lecture)
 - plus cosmic shear (final lecture), velocities
 - will tell us all about dark matter, dark energy, early universe
 - Galaxy surveys will tell us about galaxy formation.
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- But any departures from standard picture may well show up first in galaxy surveys...

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