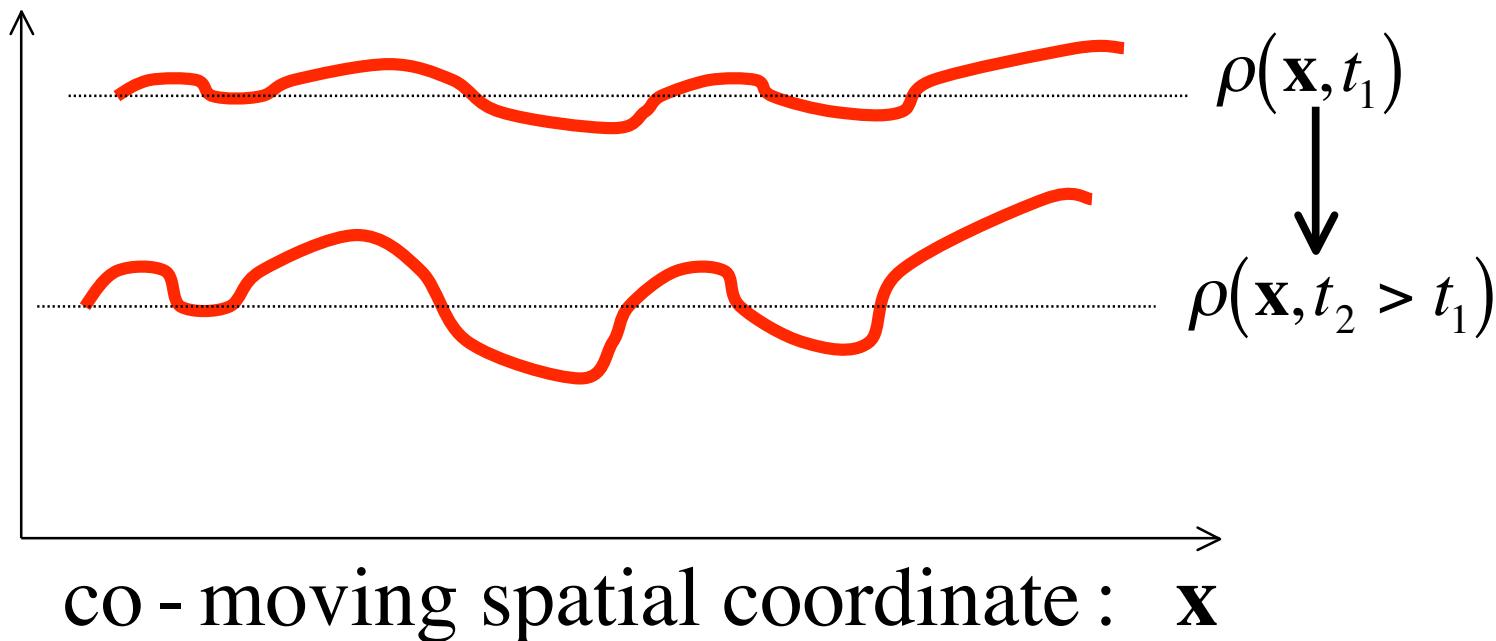


# **Large Scale Structure**

- **Galaxies are (biased) tracers of the mass**
- **“Bubbly” structure observed**
  - Voids
  - Walls = edges of voids
  - Filaments = intersections of walls
  - Clusters = intersections of filaments
- **Compare with supercomputer simulations.**
  - initial density perturbations grow
  - stars / galaxies form when density high enough
- **Determine  $\Omega_M$** 
  - High  $\Omega_M \Rightarrow$  faster growth
  - $\Rightarrow$  clusters form at earlier redshifts
  - $\Rightarrow$  stronger clustering today
  - $\Omega_M \sim 0.3$  matches observed structure.

# *Density Perturbations Grow*

$$\rho(\mathbf{x}, t) = \bar{\rho}(t) (1 + \delta(\mathbf{x}, t))$$

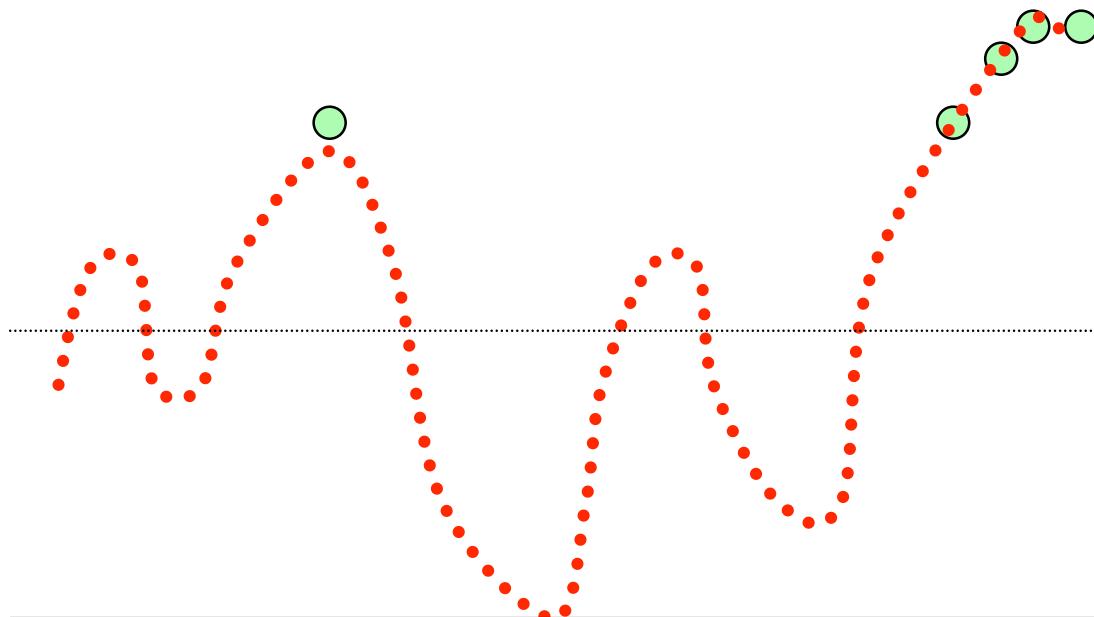


**Linear regime:**  $|\delta| < 1$        $\delta \equiv \frac{\rho - \bar{\rho}}{\bar{\rho}}$

$$\delta \propto R(t) \propto \frac{1}{1+z}$$

# *Biased Galaxy Formation*

Non-Linear regime     $\delta \geq 1$



Galaxy clusters form in density maxima.

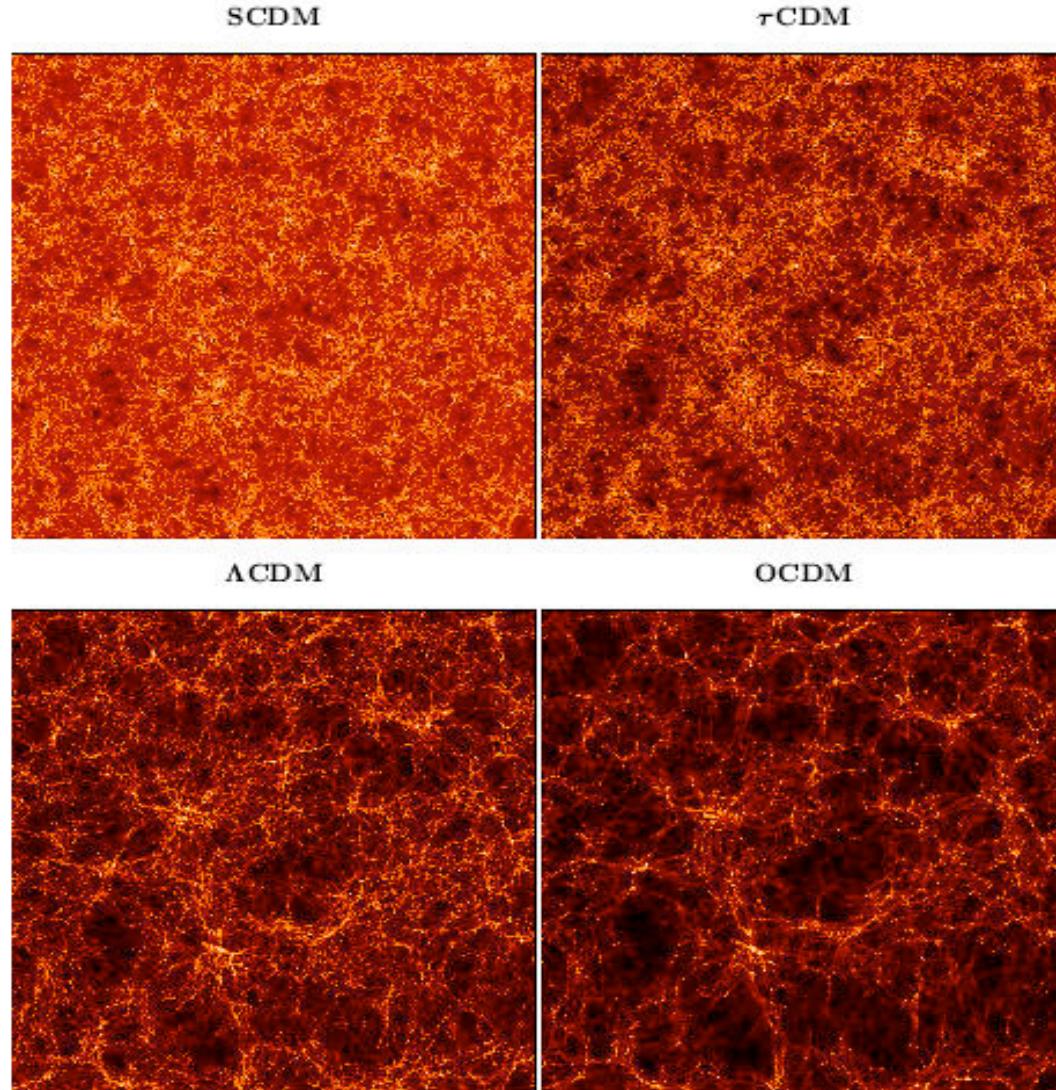
Voids (almost no galaxies) in density minima.

$$\delta_{\text{galaxies}} = b \delta_M$$

**b = “bias parameter”**

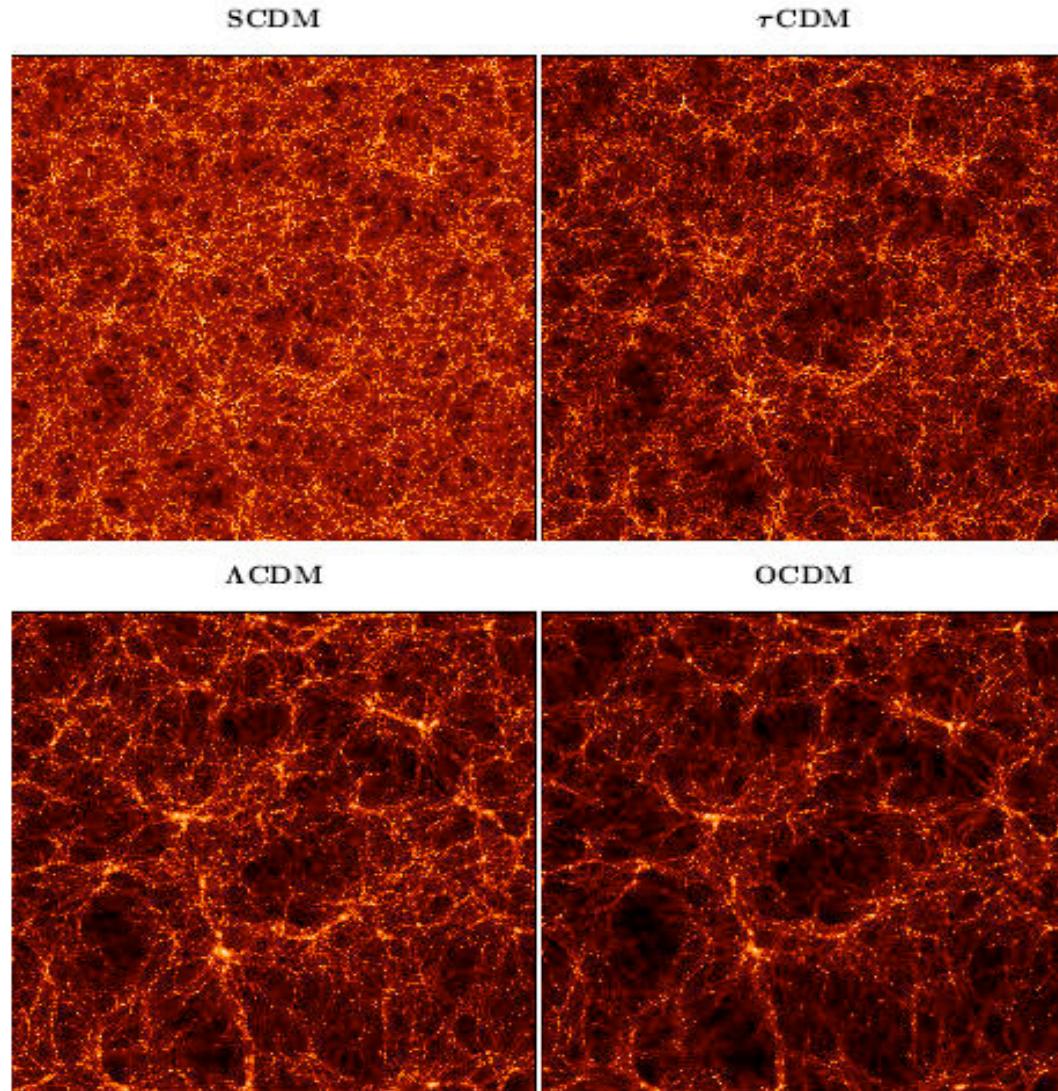
**$b > 1 \rightarrow$  Galaxies more strongly clustered than matter**

# *Simulations: $z = 3$*



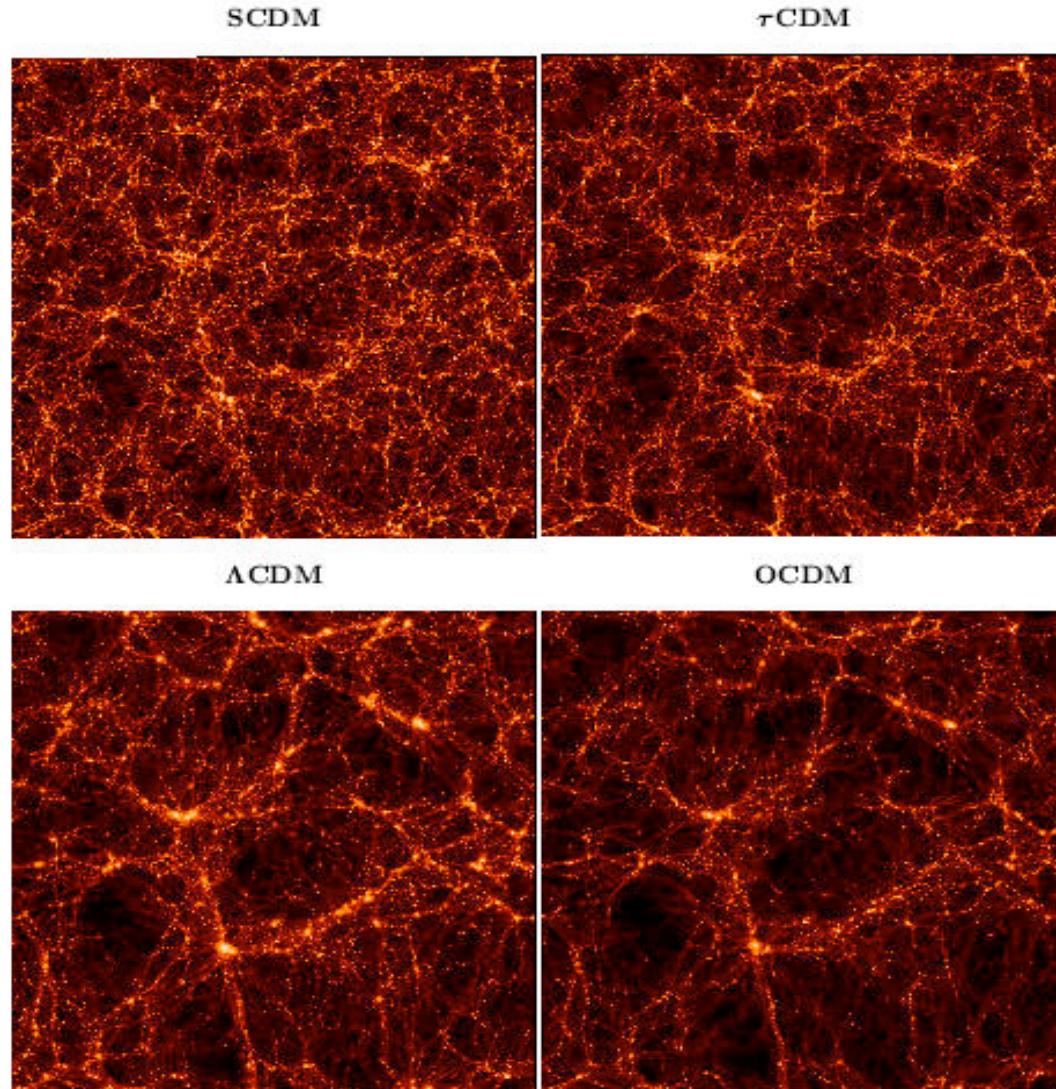
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# *Simulations: $z = 1$*



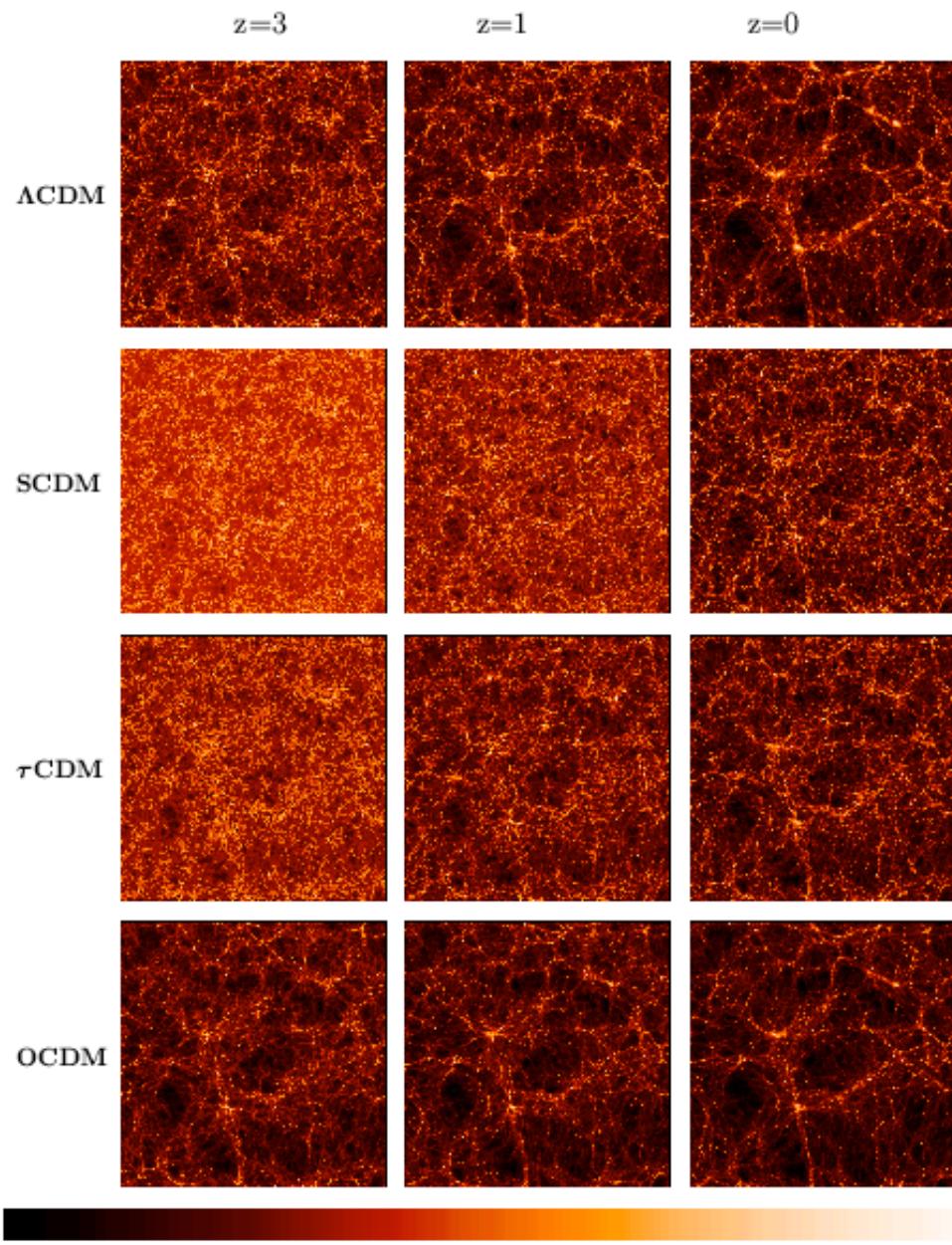
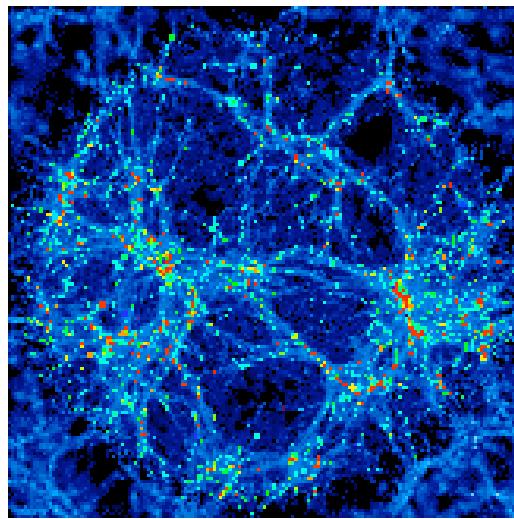
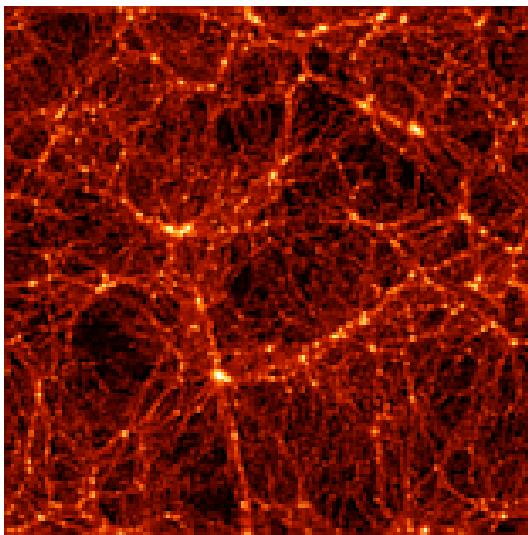
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# *Simulations: $z = 0$*



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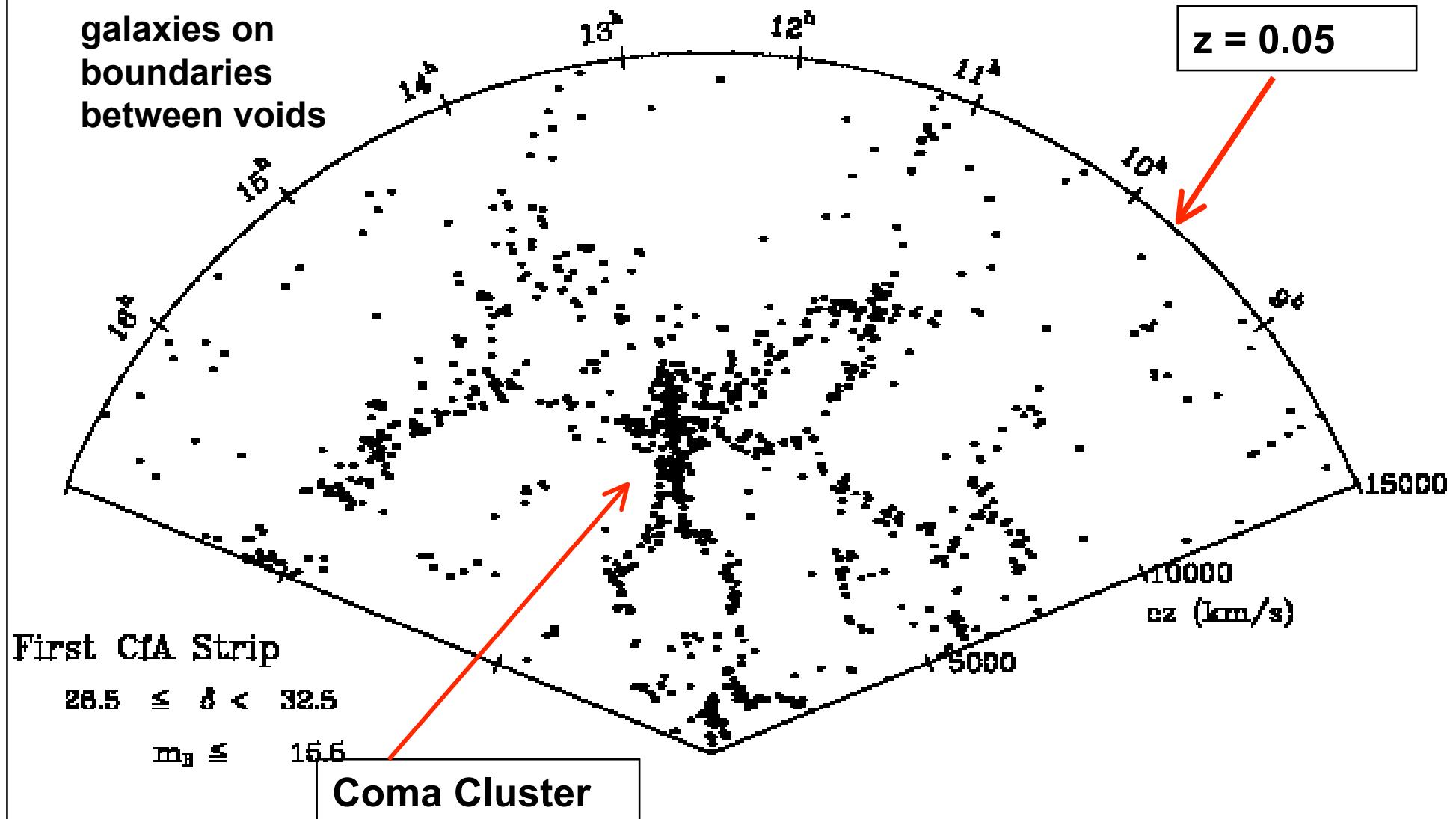
# *Supercomputer Simulations*



# ~1985 CfA Redshift Survey

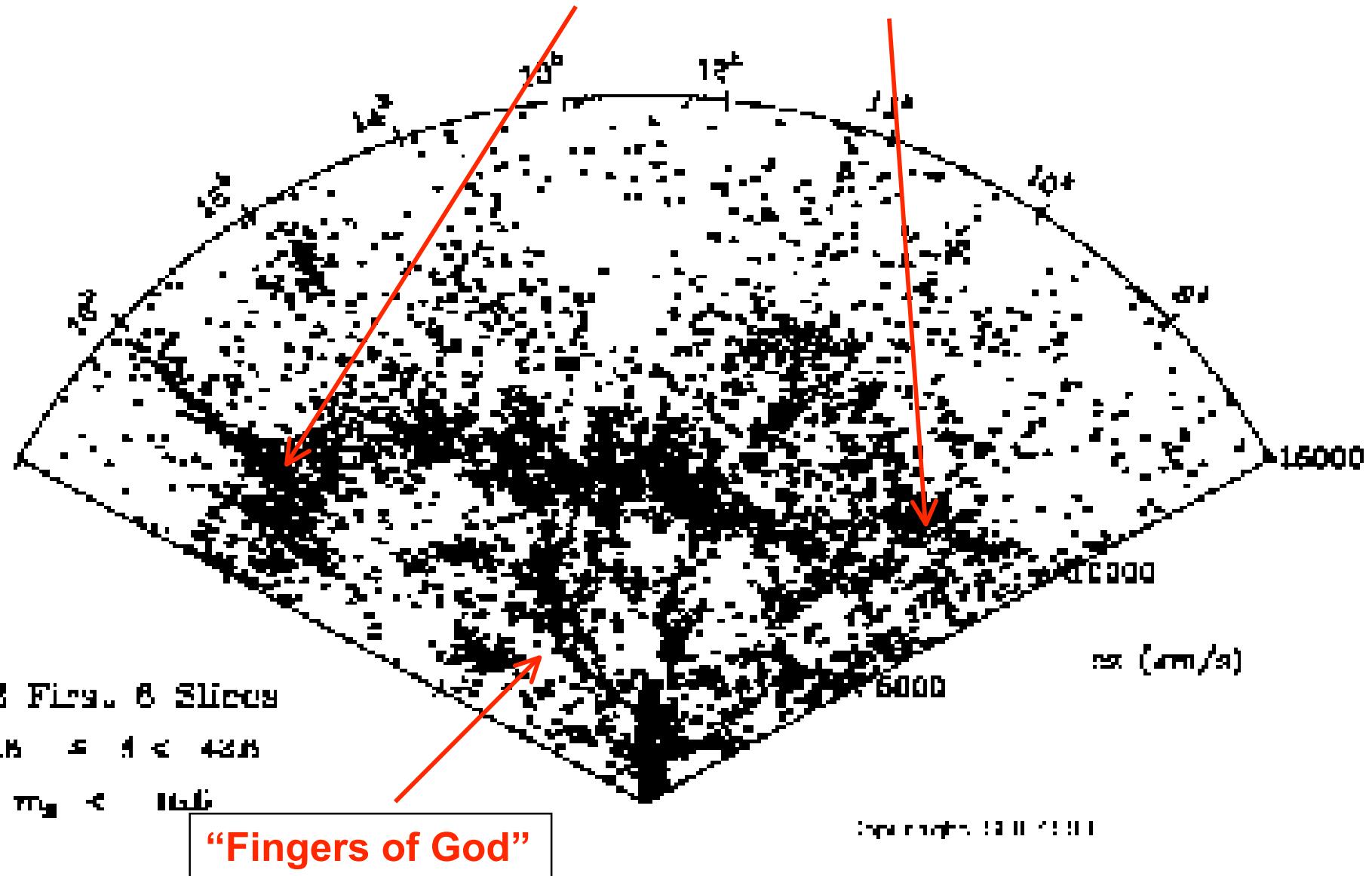
“Bubbly”

galaxies on  
boundaries  
between voids

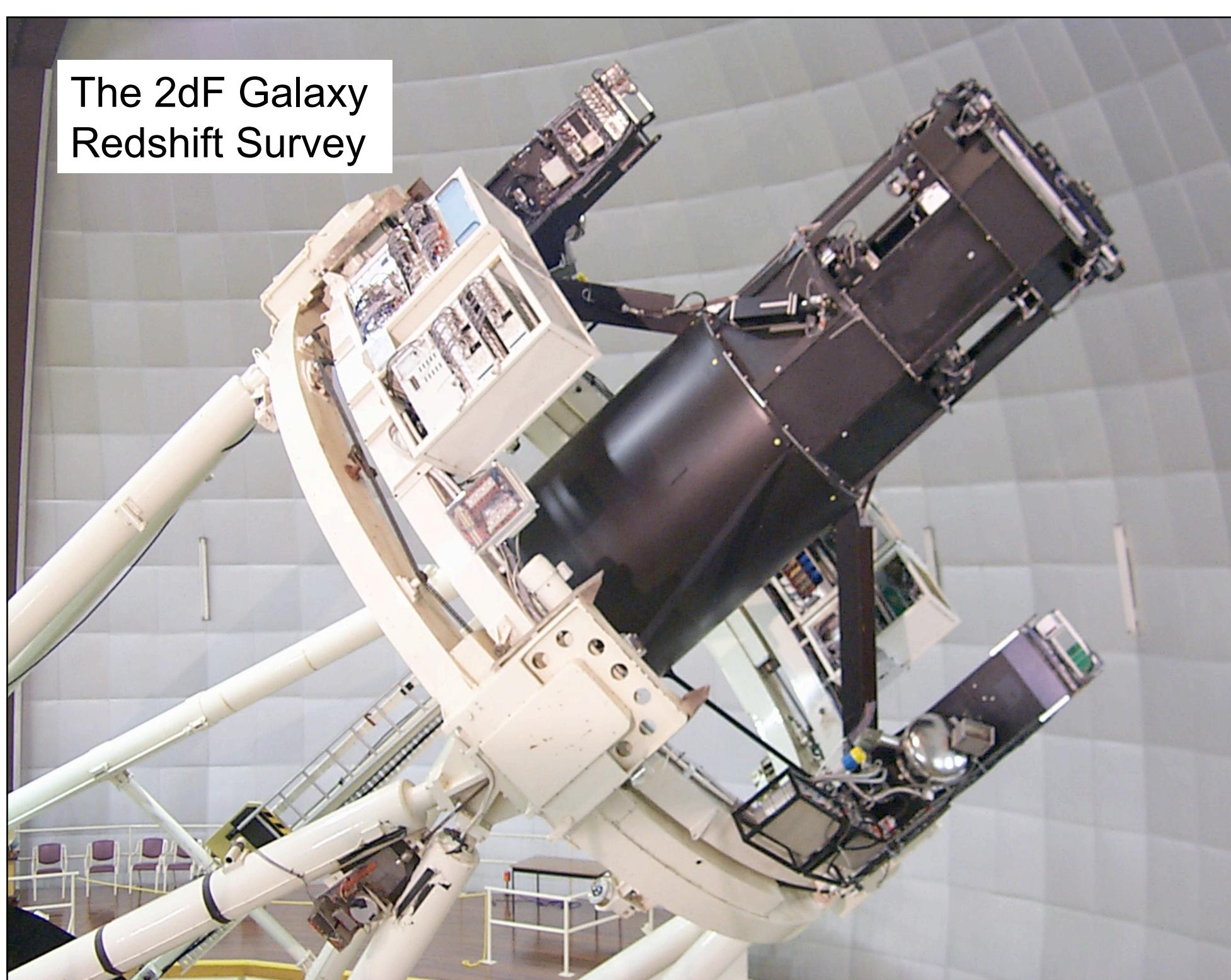


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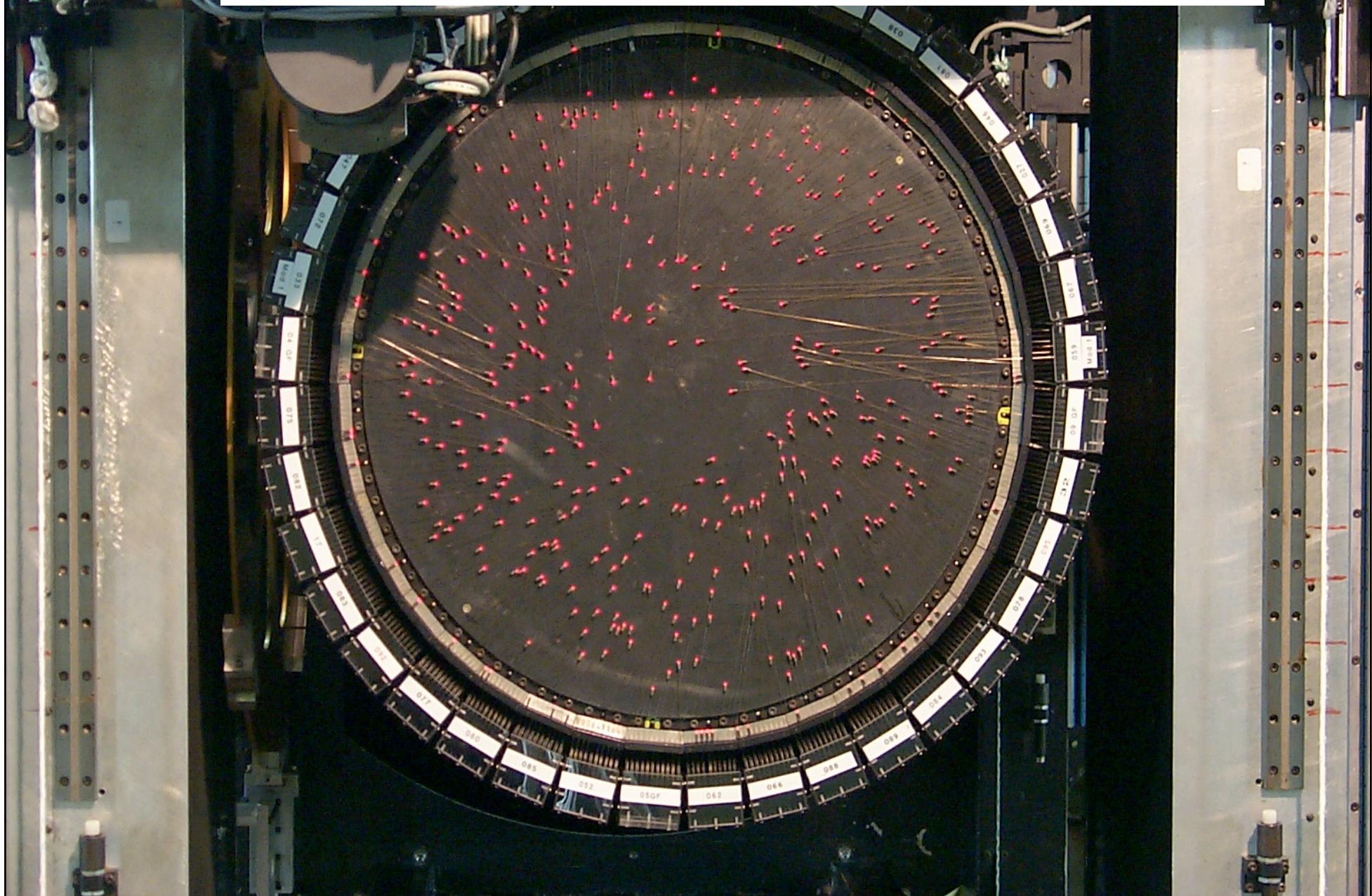
# ***“The Great Wall”***



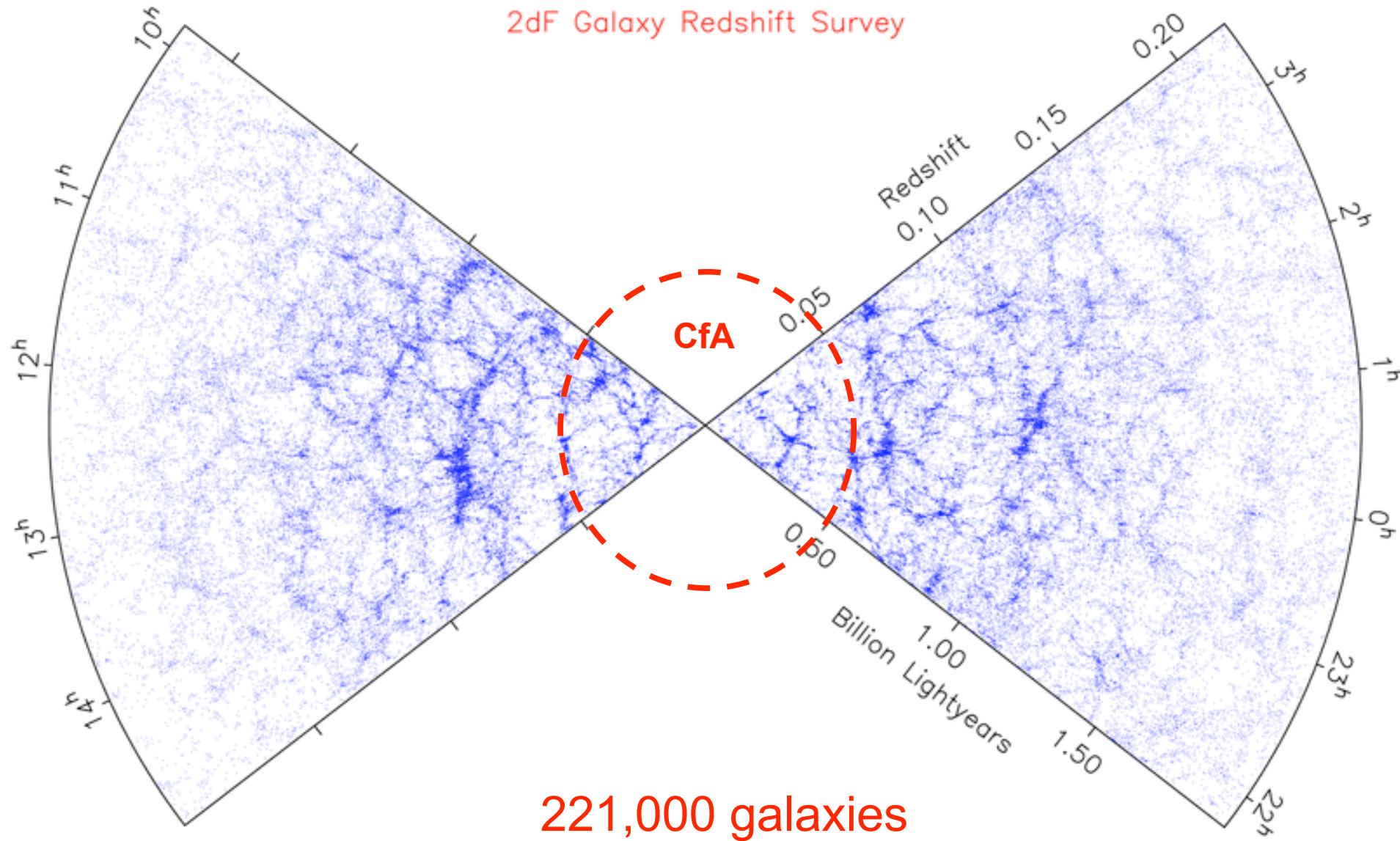
# The 2dF Galaxy Redshift Survey



AAT 2dF fibre positioner allows for simultaneous measurement of up to 400 redshifts:



# **2dF = 2 degree Field**



# Galaxy Redshift Surveys

## Large Scale Structure:

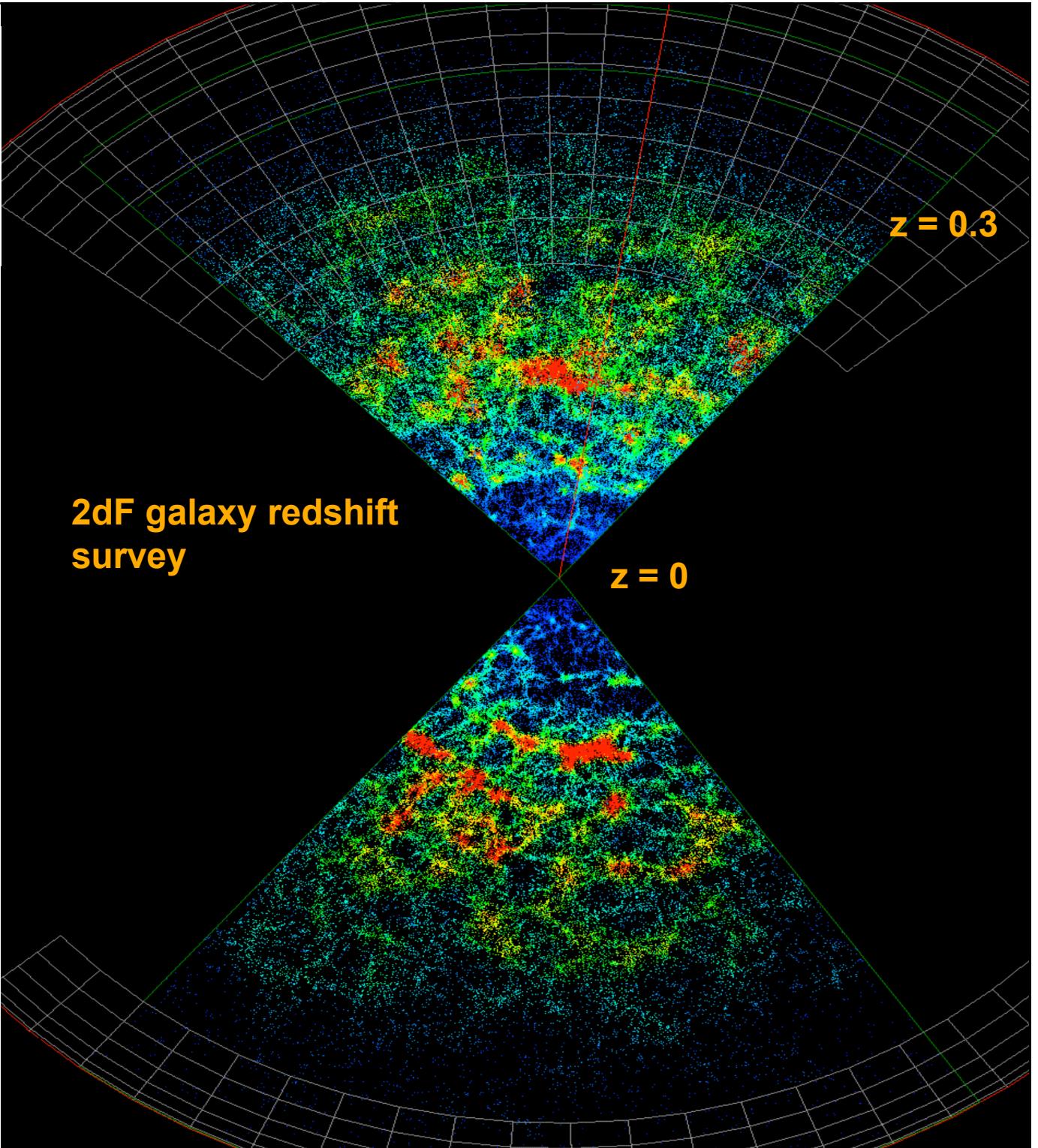
Empty voids

~50Mpc.

Galaxies are in

1. **Walls** between voids.
2. **Filaments** where walls intersect.
3. **Clusters** where filaments intersect.

Like Soap Bubbles !



# *Theory vs Observations*

- **Can't directly compare simulations and observations**
  - details (exactly where density is high/low) don't matter.
- **Amplitude of structure vs size of structure is what matters. Quantify this using:**
  - Power Spectrum:  $P(k)$  wavenumber  $k = 2 \pi / \lambda$
  - 2-point Correlation Function :  $\xi(r)$
- **Biased galaxy formation:**
  - bias parameter  $b$ .
- **Initial conditions:**
  - Power-law power spectrum for initial amplitude vs scale.
  - Amplitude  $A$ , slope  $n$   $P_0(k) \sim A^2 k^n$

# Fourier Analysis (Parseval's Theorem)

density perturbations

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{\rho(\mathbf{x}) - \langle \rho \rangle}{\langle \rho \rangle} = \frac{\delta\rho}{\bar{\rho}}$$

mean

$$\langle \delta \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \delta^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{V} \int \delta^2(\mathbf{x}) d^3\mathbf{x}$$

fourier amplitudes  $\delta_{\mathbf{k}}$

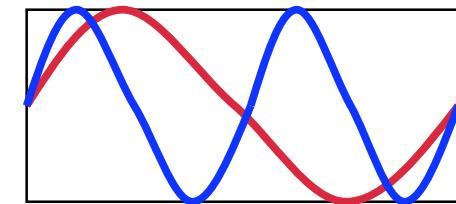
$$\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mathbf{k}} \exp(-i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

variance (average over volume  $V$ )

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{V} \int \left| \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mathbf{k}} \exp(-i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}) \right|^2 d^3\mathbf{x} \\ &= \frac{1}{V} \int \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\mathbf{j}} \delta_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mathbf{j}}^* \exp(-i (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{x}) d^3\mathbf{x} \\ &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\mathbf{j}} \delta_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mathbf{j}}^* \underbrace{\int \exp(-i (\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{j}) \cdot \mathbf{x}) \frac{d^3\mathbf{x}}{V}}_{\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{j} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \delta^2 \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2$$

$$\approx \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 d^3\mathbf{k}$$



mode spacing:

$$\lambda_x = L_x / n$$

$$k_x = \frac{2\pi n}{L_x} = n \Delta k_x$$

$$\Delta k_x = \frac{2\pi}{L_x}$$

$$d^3\mathbf{k} = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{L_x L_y L_z} = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{V}$$

= k-space volume  
per mode

# **Power Spectrum**

**For isotropic structure (consistent with observations) :**

power spectrum (average over directions)

$$P(k) \equiv \left\langle |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \right\rangle = \int \int \delta^2(k, \theta, \phi) \frac{\sin \theta d\theta d\phi}{4\pi} \quad k = |\mathbf{k}| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

variance of density fluctuations :

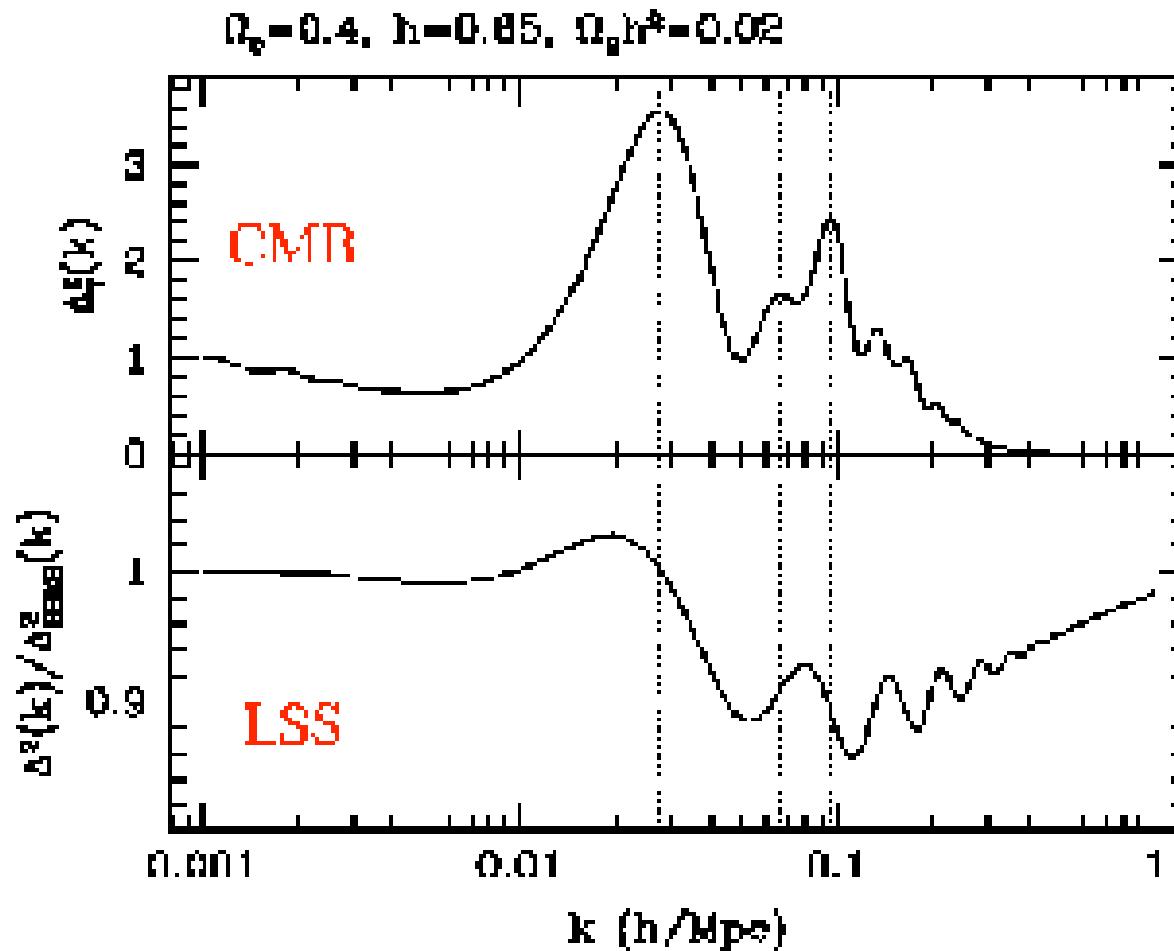
$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \delta^2 \right\rangle &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \approx \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 d^3 \mathbf{k} \\ &= \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3} \int P(k) 4\pi k^2 dk = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} \int P(k) k^2 dk \end{aligned}$$

dimensionless power spectrum :

$$\Delta^2(k) \equiv \frac{d \left\langle \delta^2 \right\rangle}{d \ln k} \approx \frac{V}{2\pi^2} k \frac{d}{dk} \left( \int P(k) k^2 dk \right) = \frac{V}{2\pi^2} k^3 P(k)$$

# *Predicted Power Spectra*

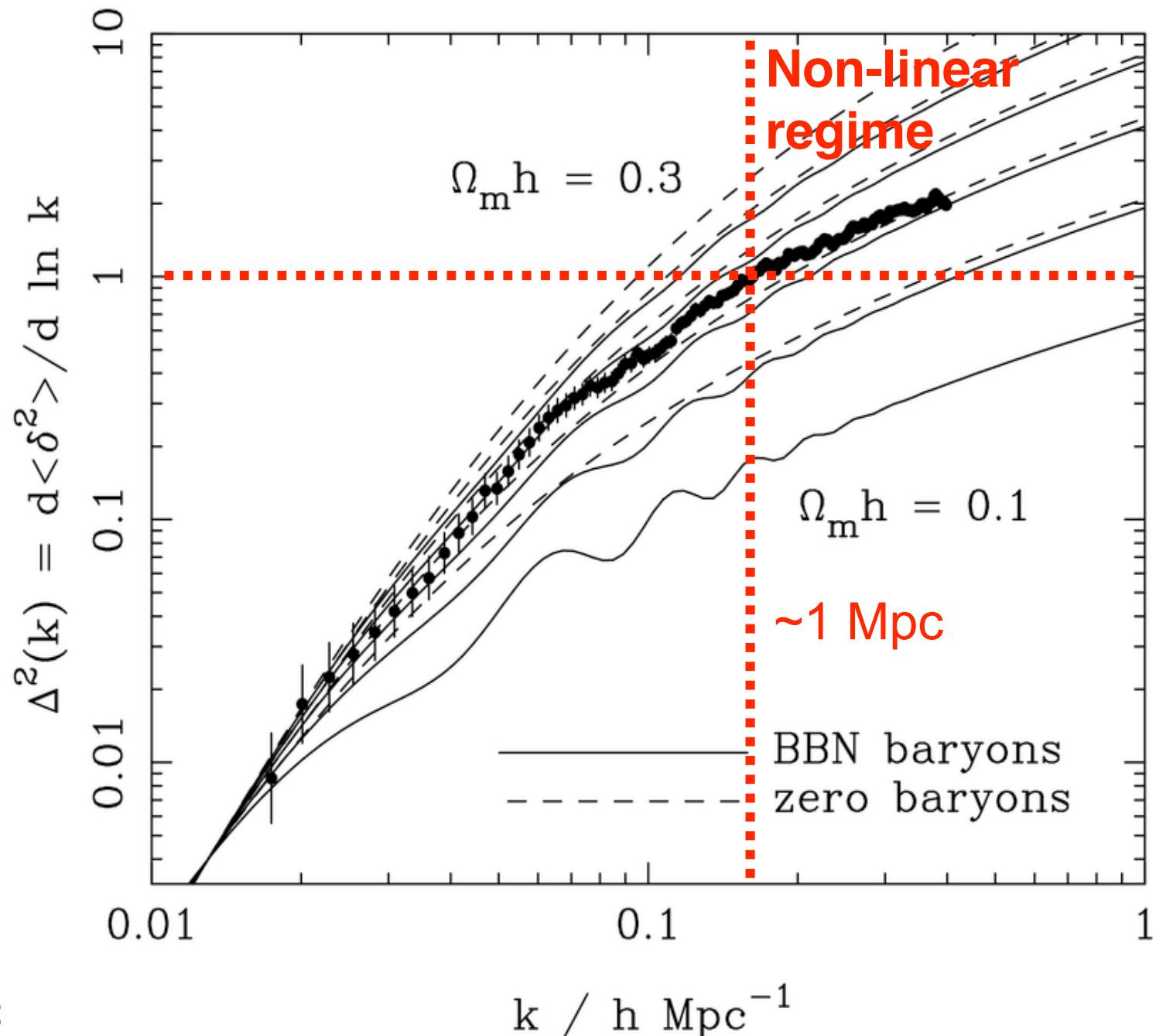
Independent constraints from CMB and Large-Scale Structure



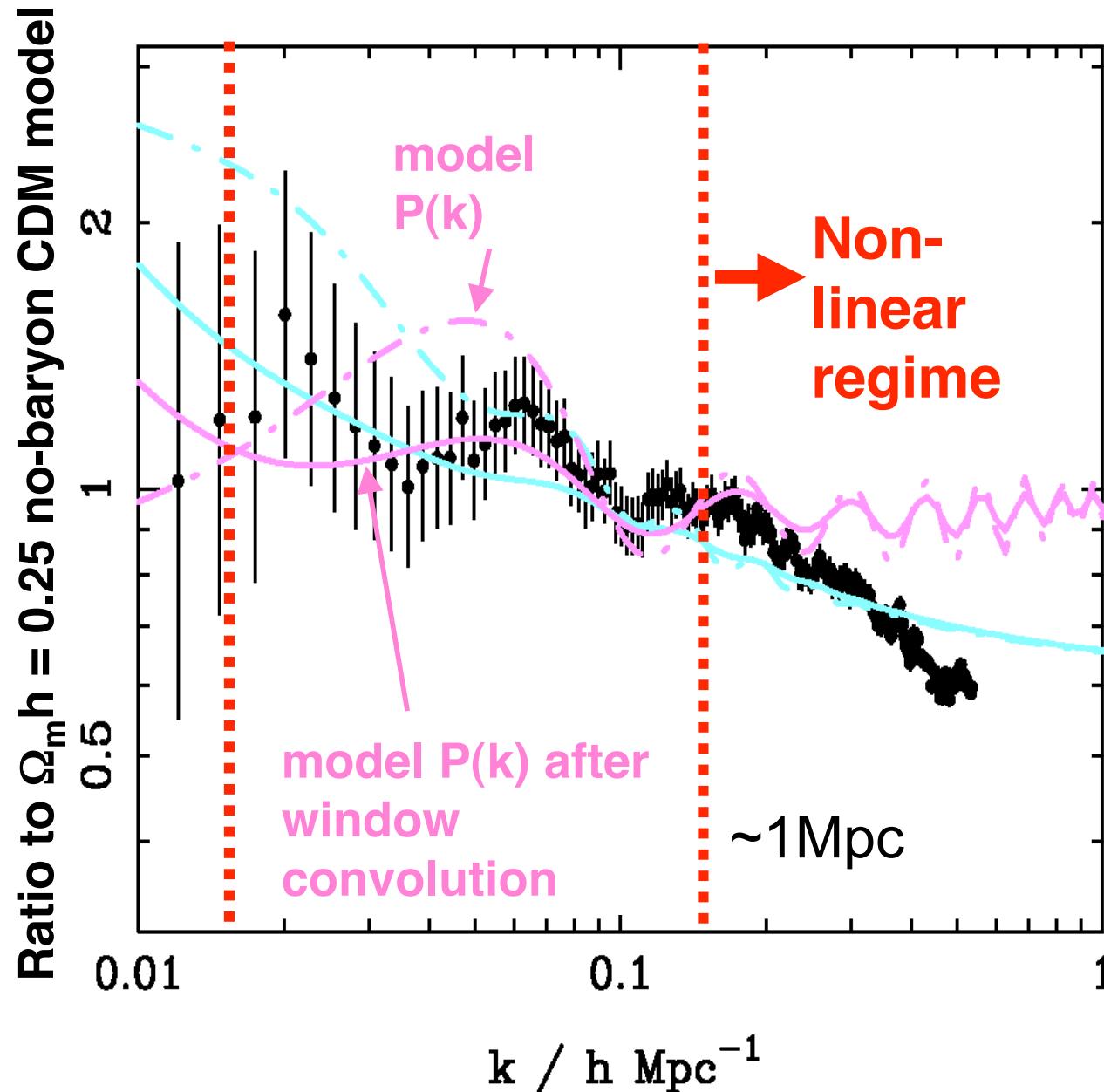
CMB and LSS  
out of phase;  
'velocity overshoot'

LSS amplitude  
smaller than CMB

# *CDM Model Fits to Galaxy Power Spectrum*



# CDM Model Fits to Galaxy Power Spectrum



Fit model CDM  
 $P(k)$  (with  $n=1$ )  
after convolution  
with survey  
window function.

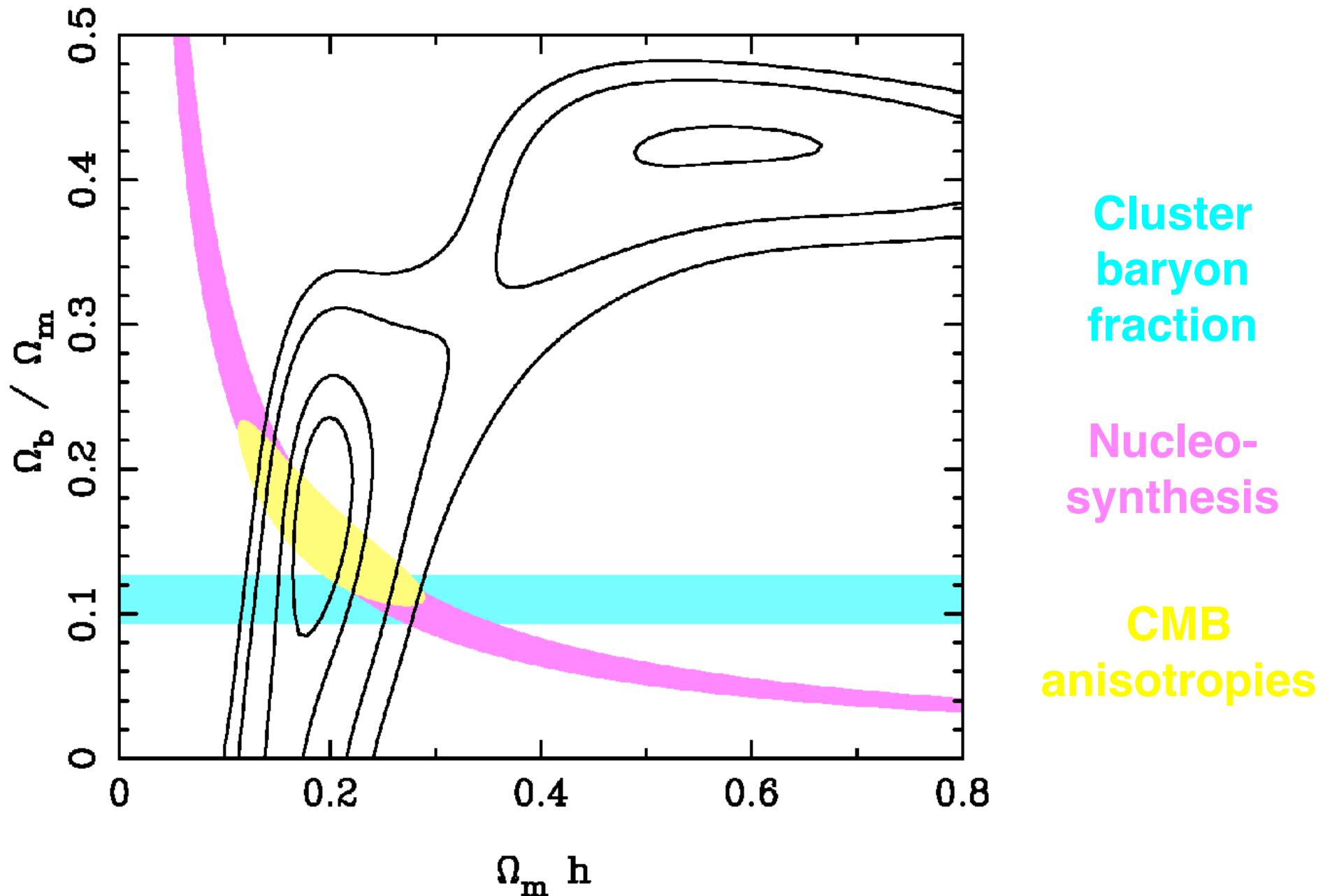
Parameters:

- (1)  $\Omega_m h$
- (2)  $\Omega_b / \Omega_m$
- (3)  $h$  (marginalise)

Window flattens  
 $P(k)$  and  
depresses baryon  
features.

Fits limited to  
 $0.015 < k < 0.15$ .

# *Consistency with Other Constraints*



Cluster  
baryon  
fraction

Nucleo-  
synthesis

CMB  
anisotropies

# **Galaxy-Galaxy Correlation Function**

correlation function = fourier transform of power spectrum

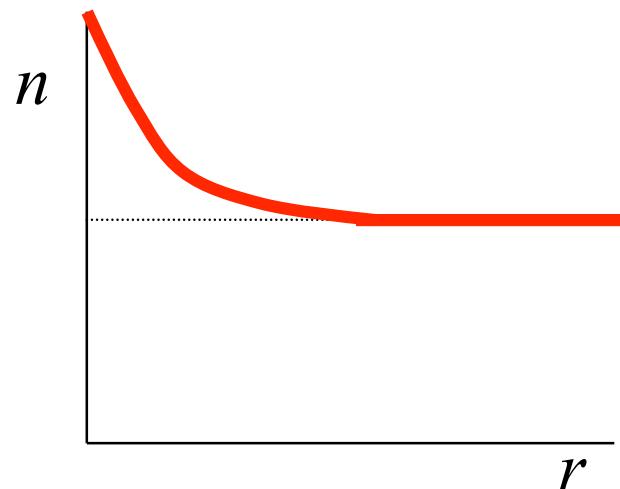
$$\xi(\mathbf{r}) \equiv \langle \delta(\mathbf{x}) \delta(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}) \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \exp(-i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})$$

radial correlation function

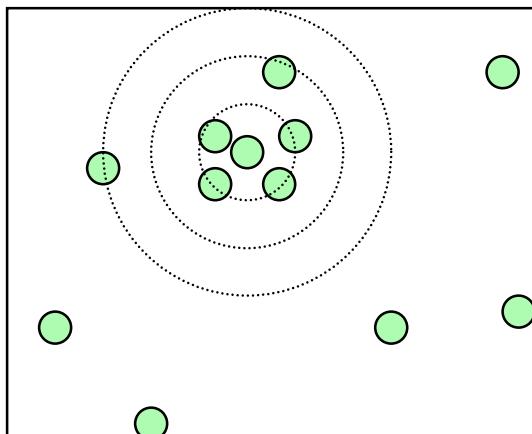
$$\xi(r) = \langle \xi(\mathbf{r}) \rangle \approx \left( \frac{r}{8 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{-1.8}$$

measures galaxy clustering

$$n(r) = n_0 (1 + \xi(r))$$



**Galaxy counts at separation  $r$  larger than expected for random distribution.**



# Power-Law Models

power - law power spectrum

$$P(\mathbf{k}) = \left\langle \delta_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \right\rangle = P_0 \left( \frac{k}{k_0} \right)^n$$

$n$  = "tilt"

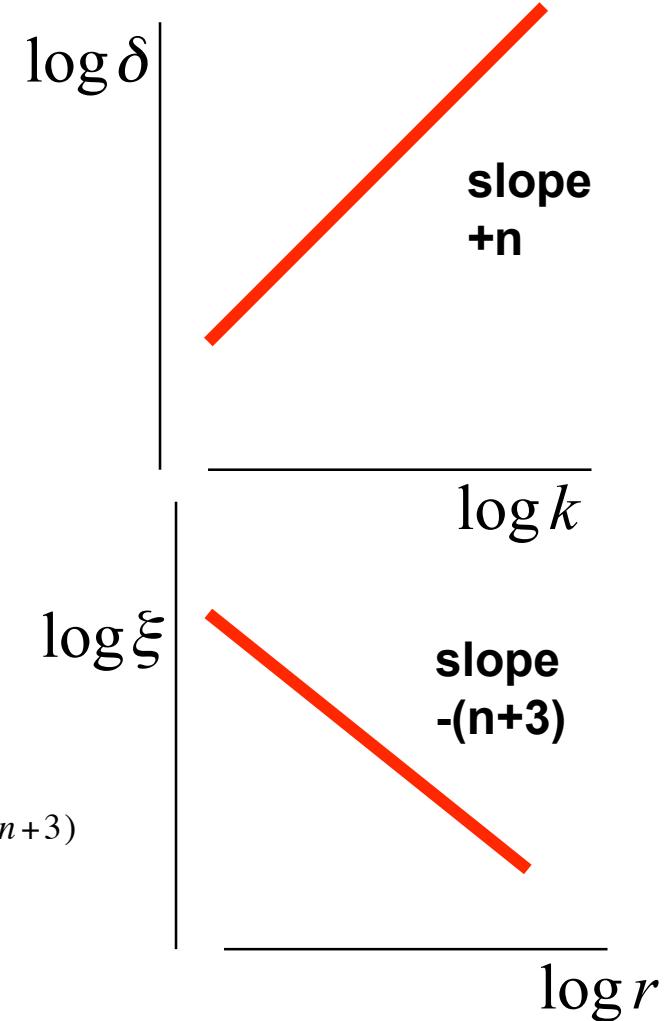
$n = +1 \Rightarrow$  "scale - invariant"

variance after smoothing on scale  $r$

= sum of power for  $k = |\mathbf{k}| \leq k_{\max} = 2\pi/r$

$$\left\langle \delta^2 \right\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} P(\mathbf{k}) \propto \int_0^{k_{\max}} k^n (4\pi k^2 dk) \propto k_{\max}^{n+3} \propto r^{-(n+3)}$$

$$\xi(r) = \left( \frac{r}{r_0} \right)^{-\gamma} \quad r_0 \approx 8 \text{ Mpc} \quad \gamma = n + 3 \approx 1.8 \rightarrow n \approx -1.2$$



Easier to derive  $\gamma = 1.8$  from 2-point correlation function.

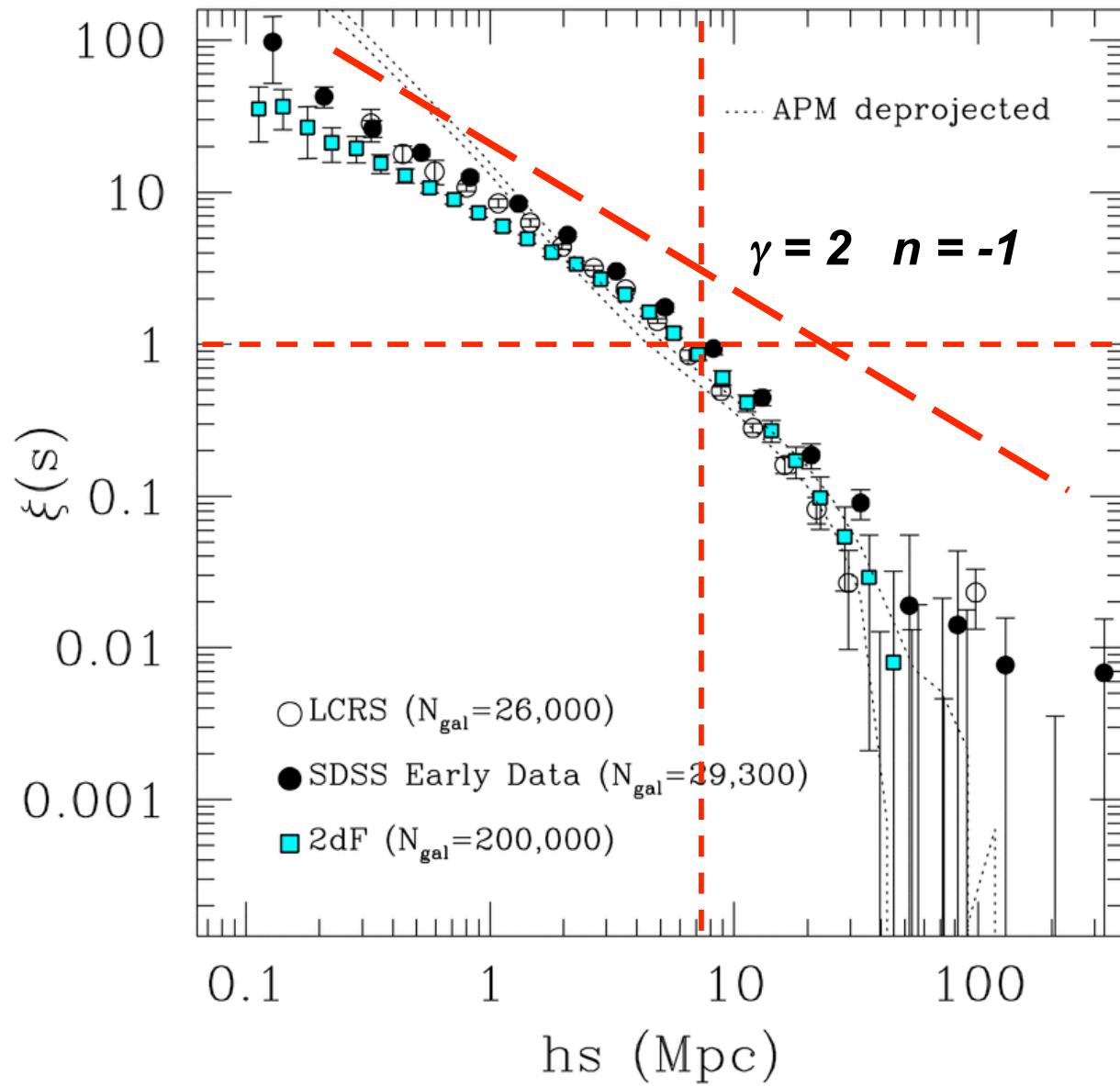
# Galaxy-Galaxy Correlation Function

$$\xi(r) = \left( \frac{r}{r_0} \right)^{-\gamma}$$

$$r_0 \approx 8 \text{ Mpc}$$

$$\gamma = n + 3 \approx 1.8$$

$$\rightarrow n \approx -1.2$$



# 2-D Correlation Function

angular separation

$$\sigma \equiv \frac{\Delta\theta}{D_A}$$

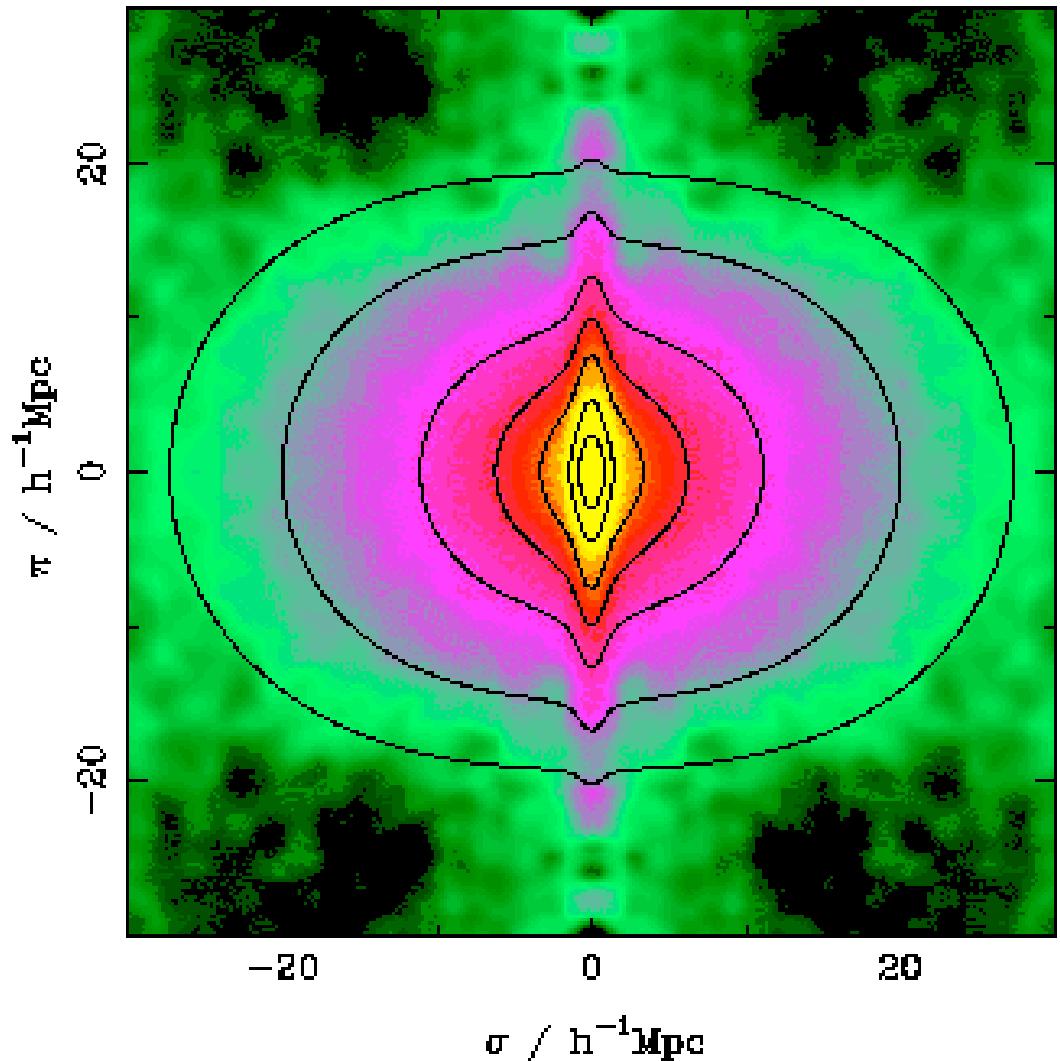
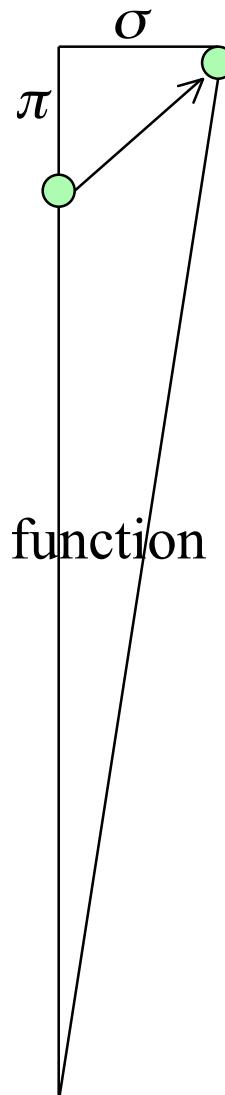
radial separation

$$\pi \equiv \frac{c \Delta z}{H_0}$$

2 - point correlation function

$$\xi(\sigma, \pi)$$

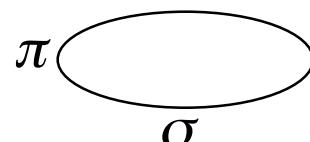
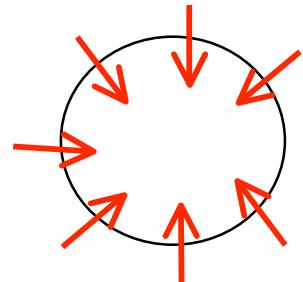
Why flattened ?



Hawkins et al. 2002

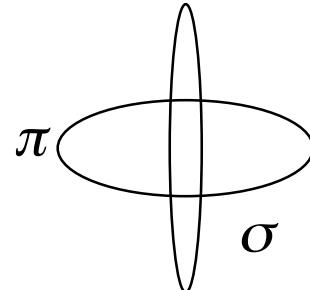
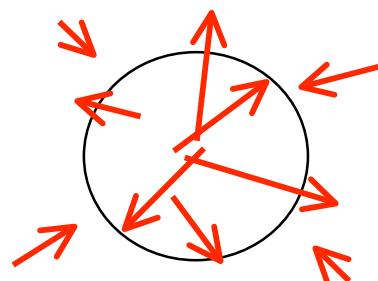
# Redshift Distortions

## 1. Kaiser effect:



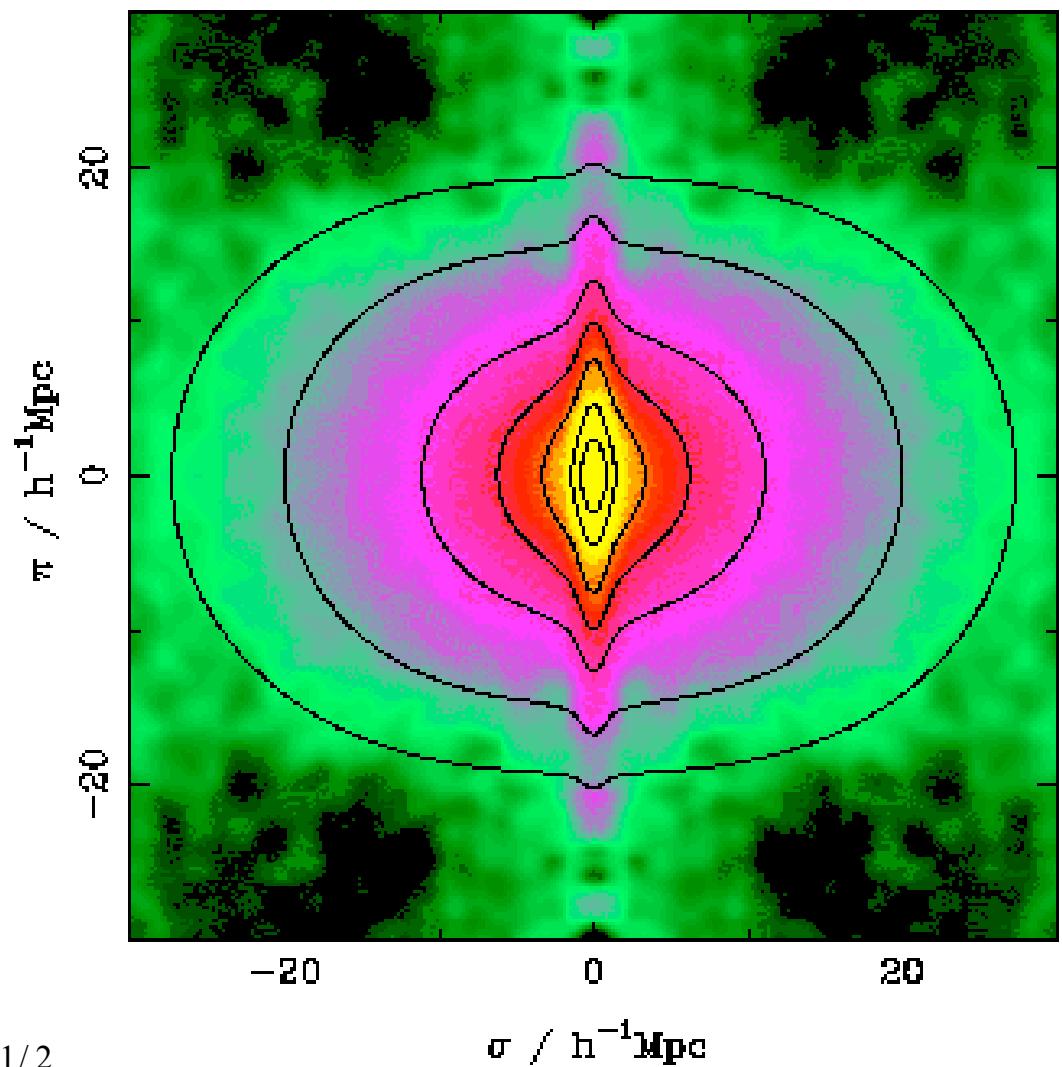
Infall velocities reduce  $\pi$

## 2. "Fingers of God"



Virialised cluster cores

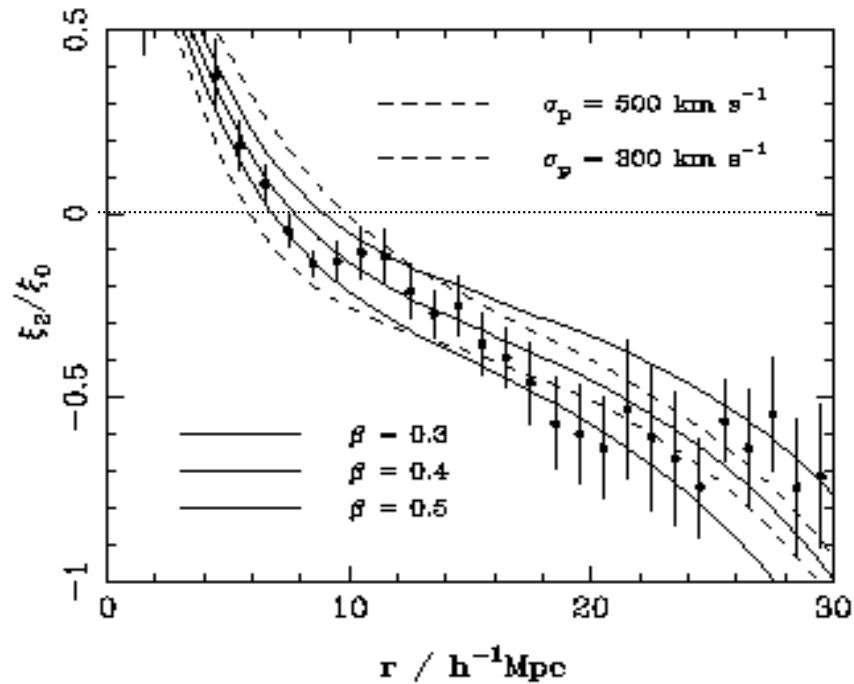
$$V \sim \left( \frac{G M_c}{r_c} \right)^{1/2}$$



Hawkins et al. 2002

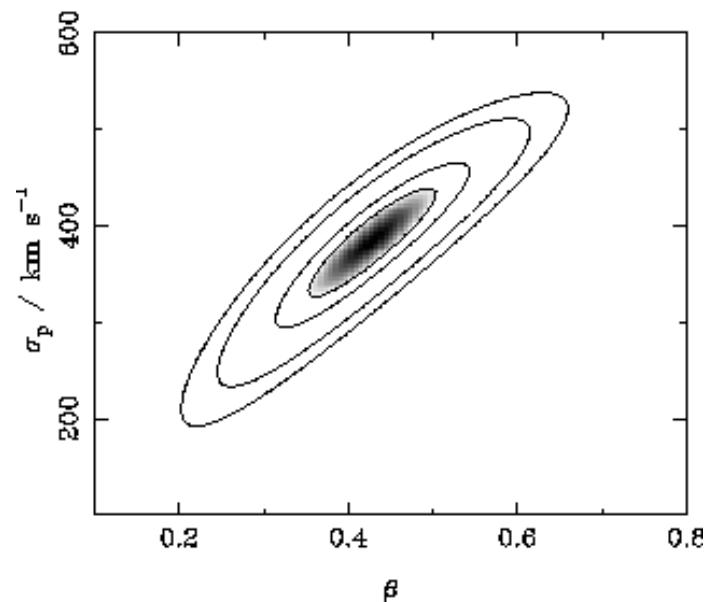
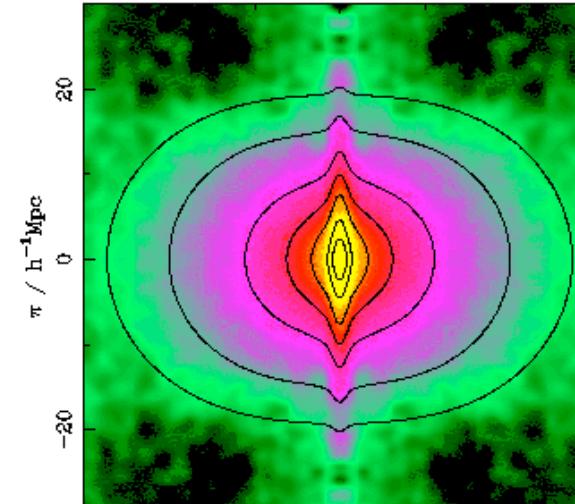
# Kaiser Effect

*Flattening vs size of  $\sigma - \pi$  contours*



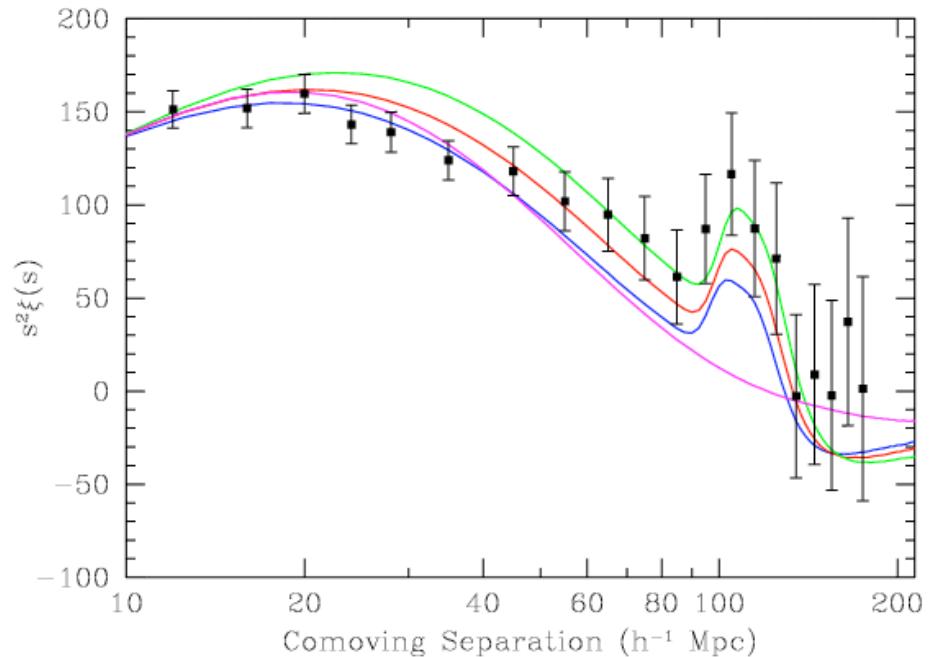
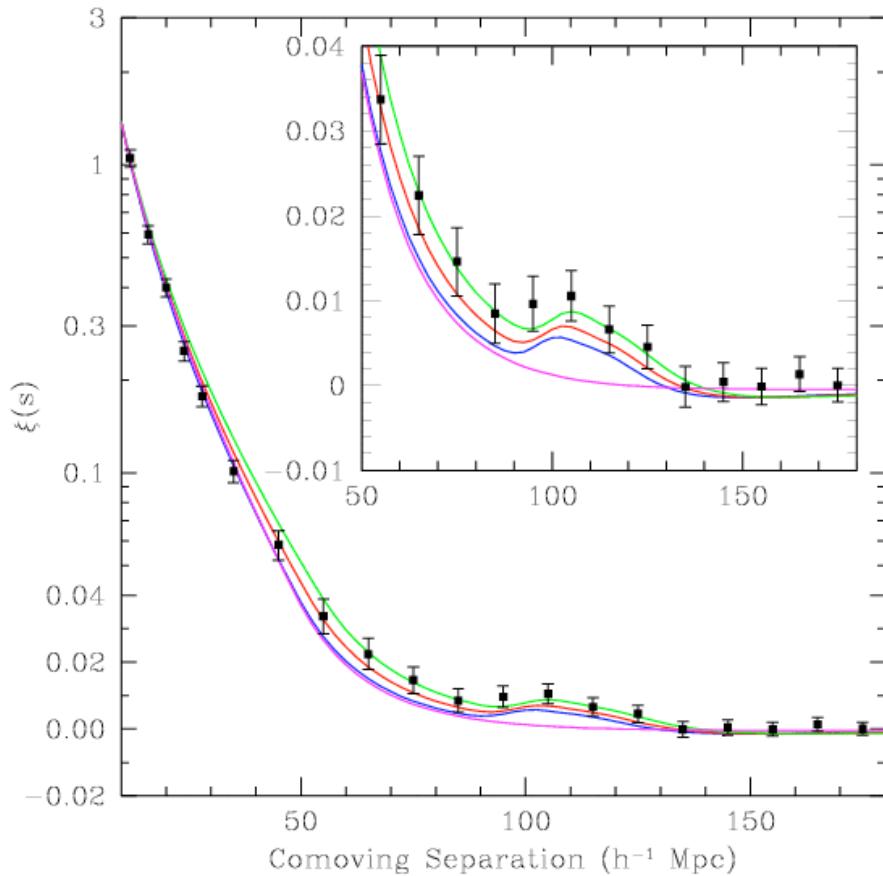
$$\beta \equiv \frac{\Omega_M^{0.6}}{b} = 0.43 \pm 0.07$$

b = bias parameter > 1



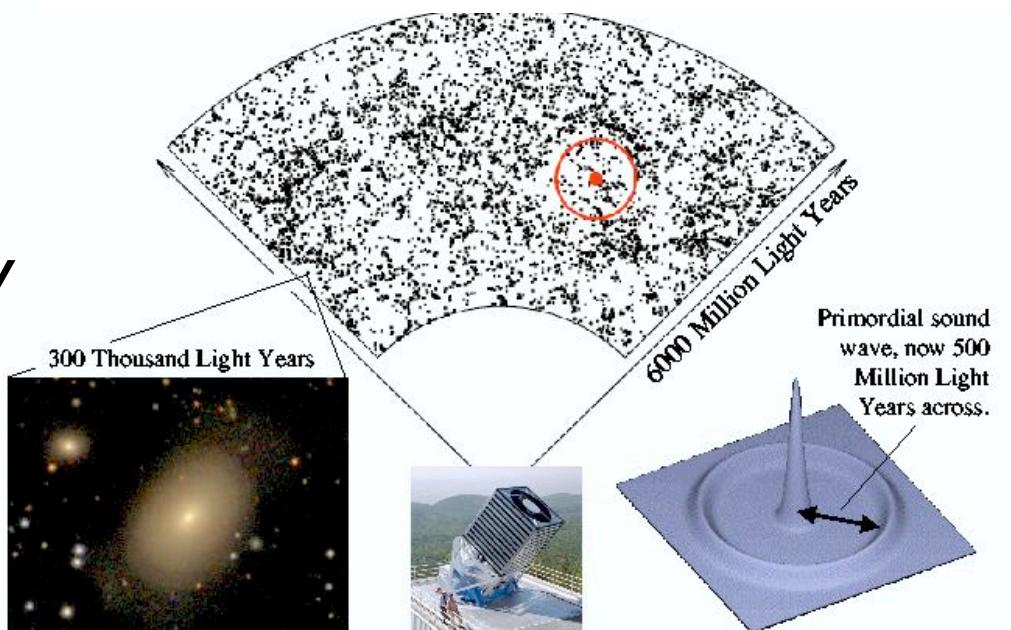
$\sigma_p$  = dispersion of  
galaxy peculiar  
velocities.

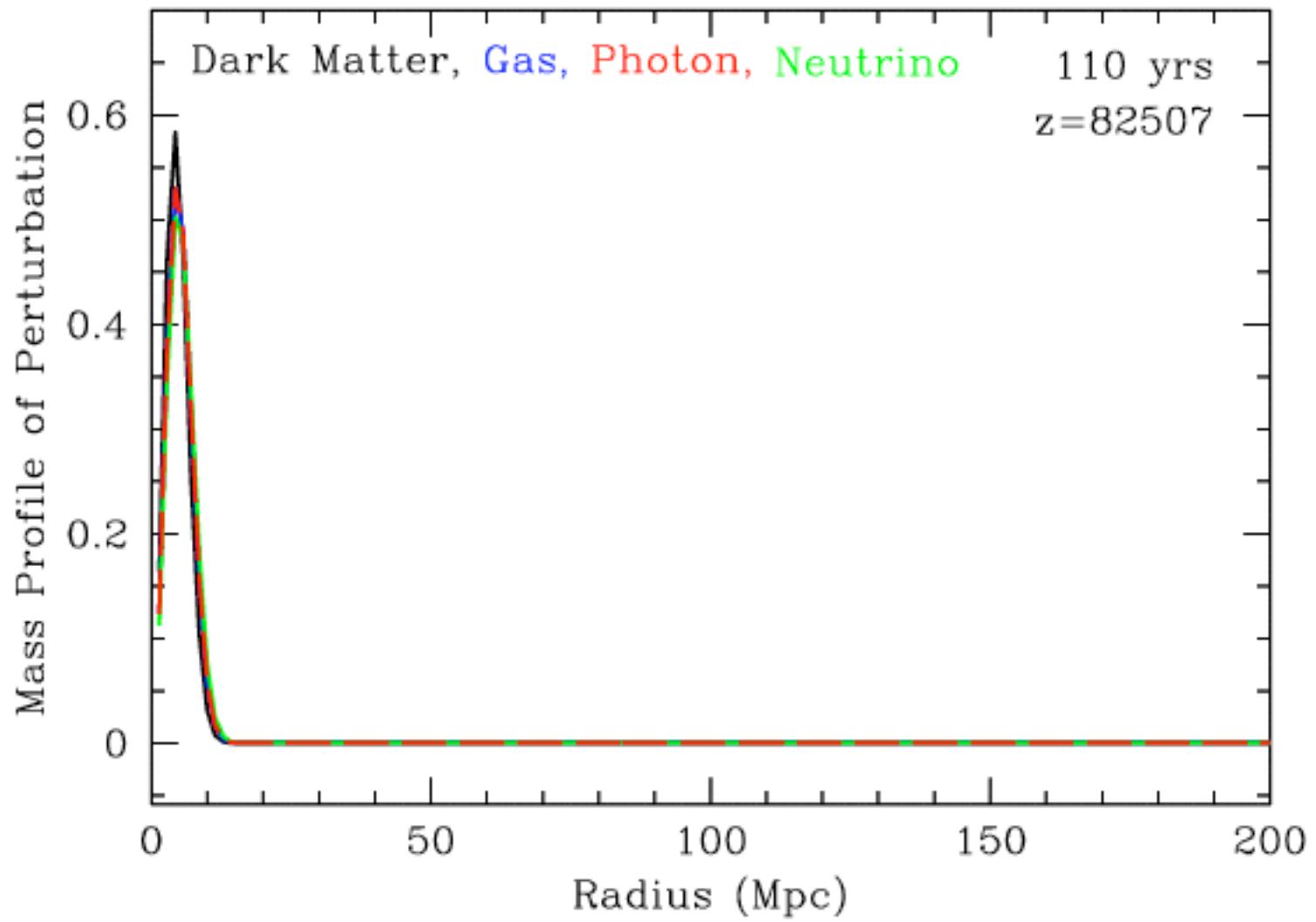
# Baryon Acoustic Oscillations



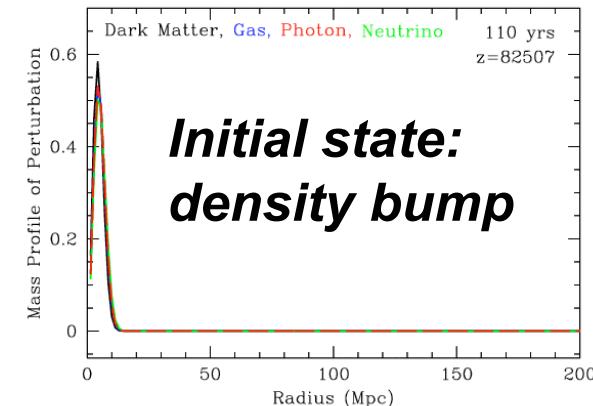
**SDSS = Sloan Digital Sky Survey**

*Eisenstein et al. 2001.*

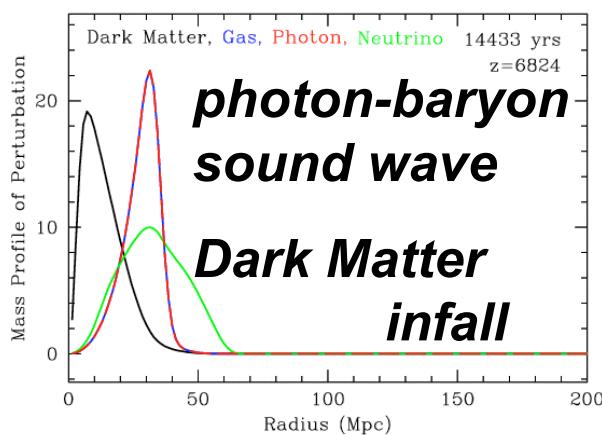




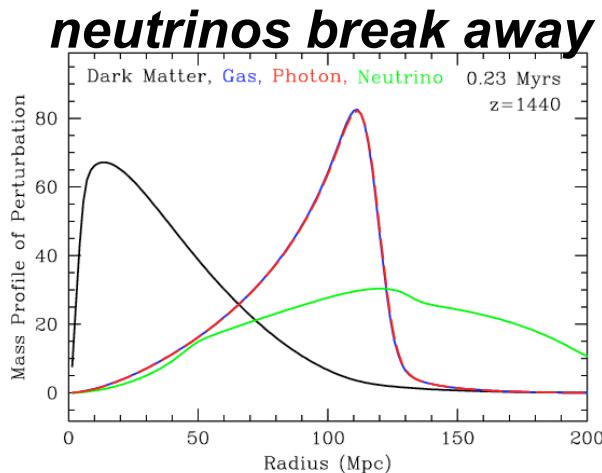
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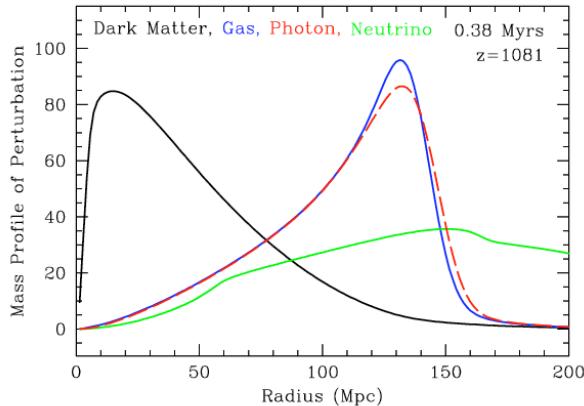
**Initial state:  
density bump**



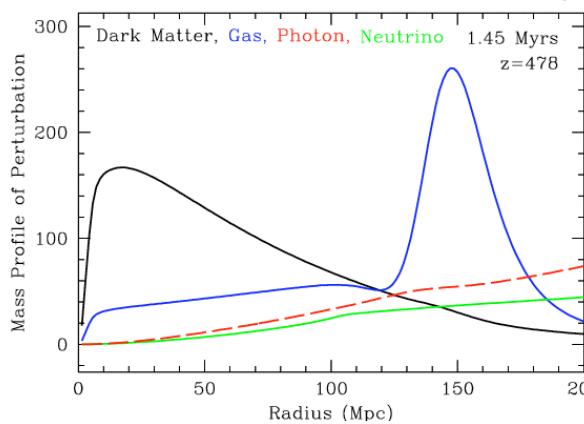
**photon-baryon  
sound wave**  
**Dark Matter  
infall**



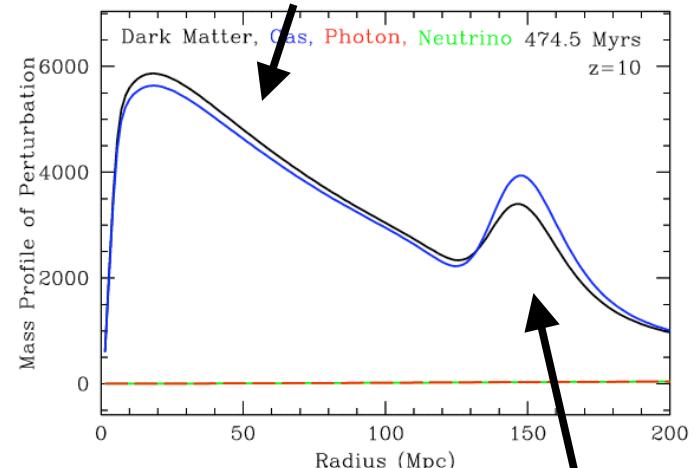
**neutrinos break away**



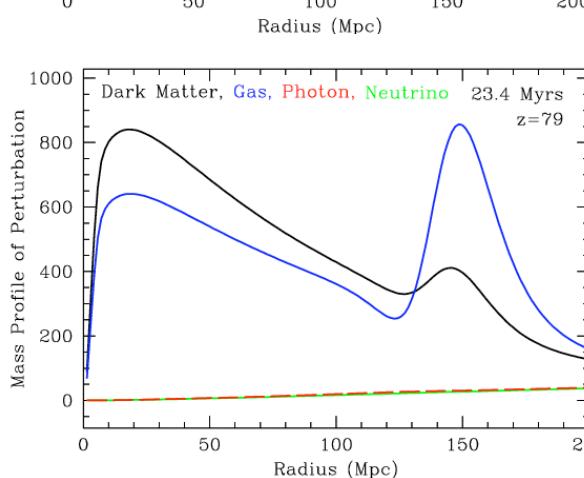
**photons break away**



**baryons fall into  
dark matter well**



**Dark matter falls  
into baryon “shell”**



**observed structure:**

