

Is the Universe Homogeneous?



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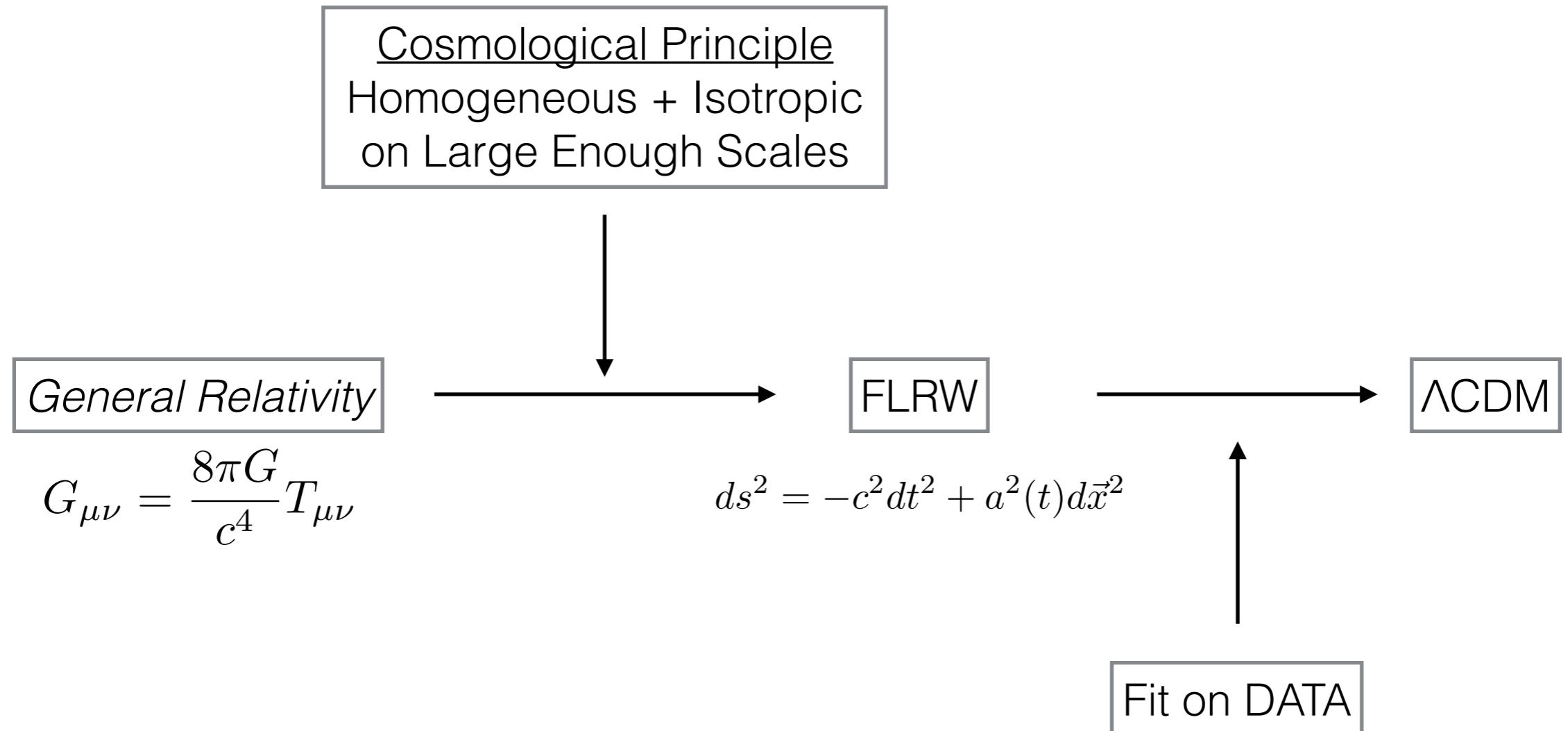
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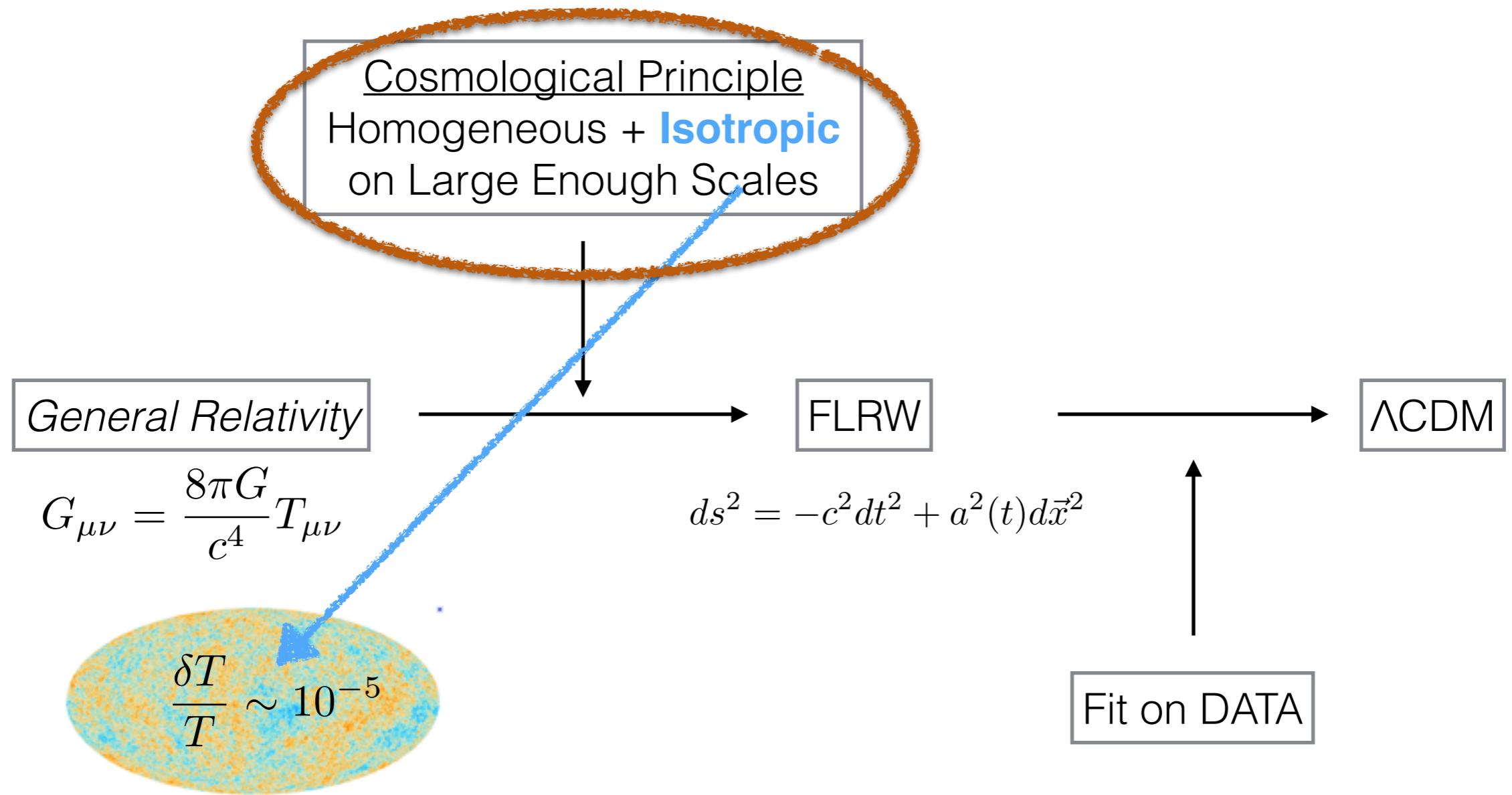
OUTLINE

- *Theoretical Framework*
- *BOSS Galaxy Survey*
- *Methodology*
- *Results with DR12*
- *Forecasts*
- *Conclusions*

Theoretical Framework

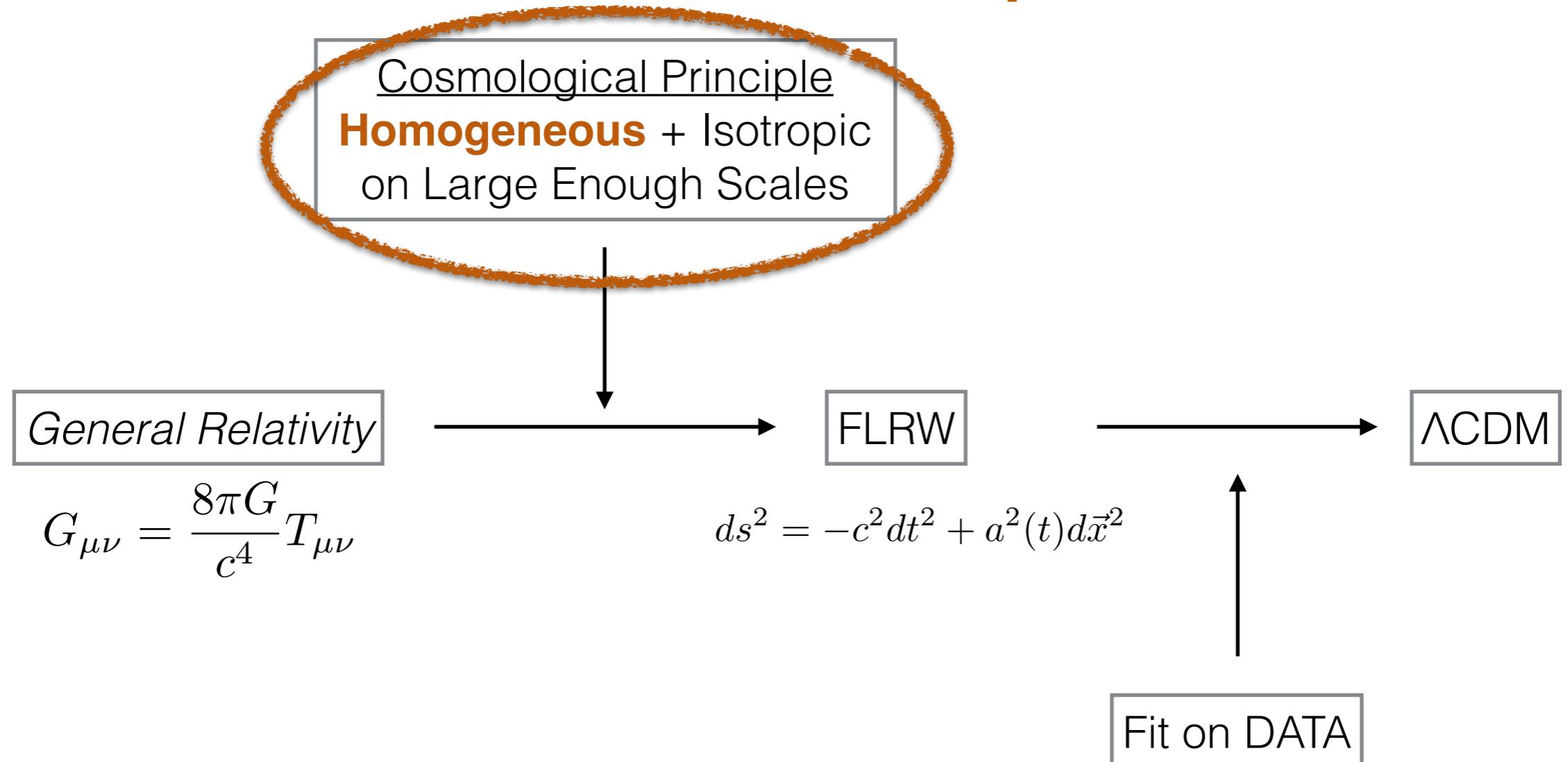


Theoretical Framework



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Is this assumption data-motivated ?



How to check for Homogeneity?



Where to look?

Observable ?

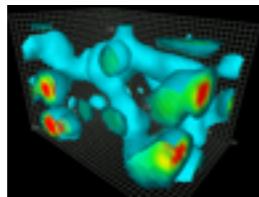
Which scales to measure?

Theory?

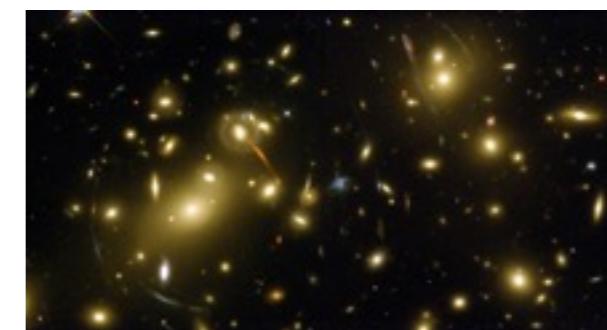
- ΛCDM ,
- $wCDM$,
- $sCDM$,
- **Modified Grav**
- **Back-Reaction**

What is a structure??

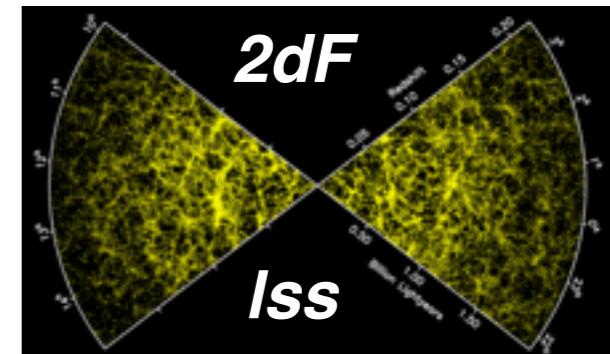
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$q^\pm, H^0, I^\pm, Y, W^\pm, g^c, GW?$



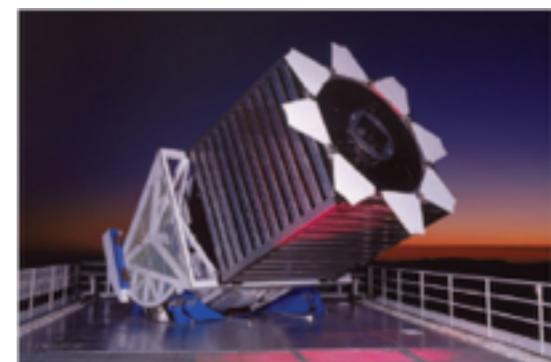
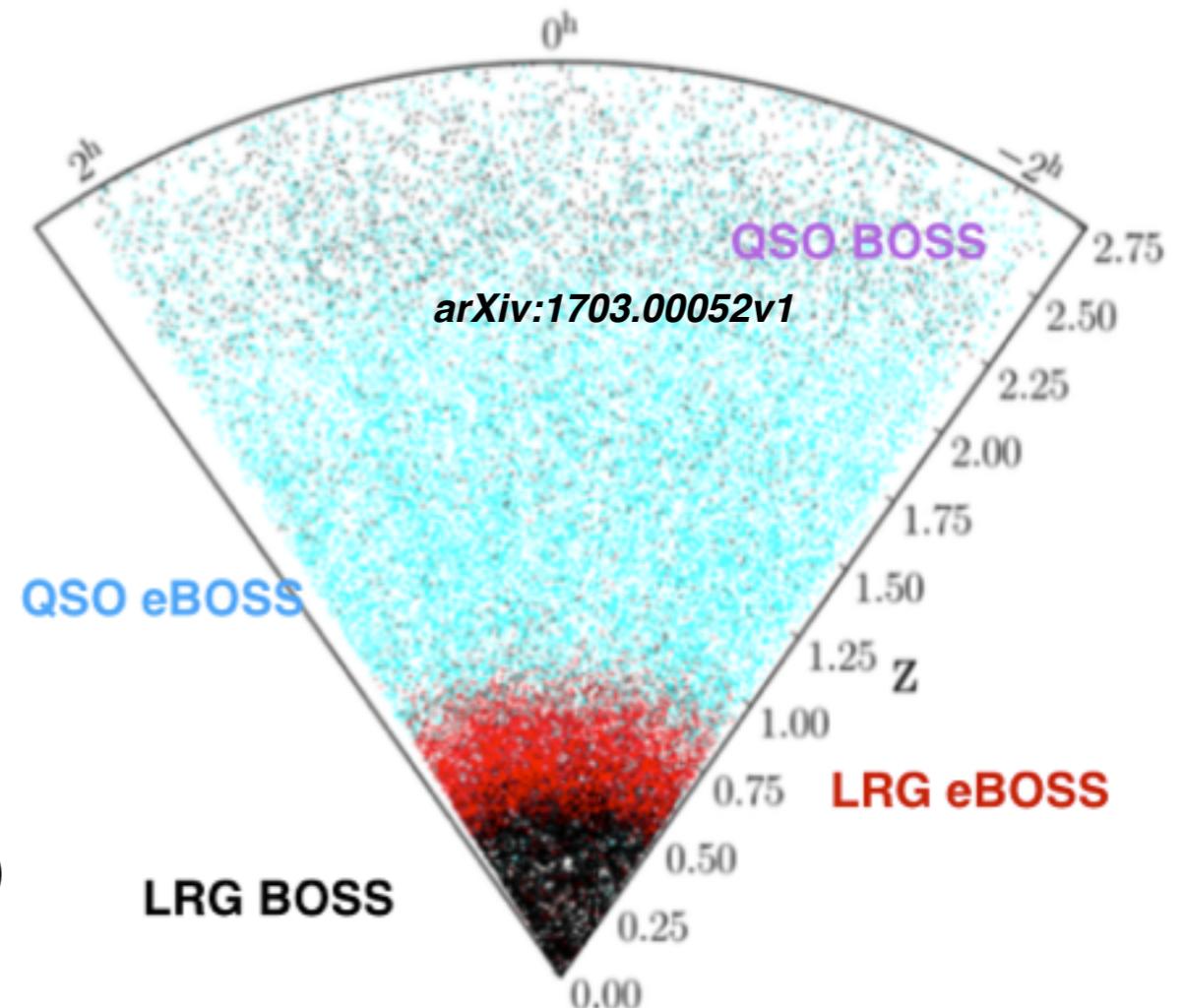
CW: Voids, Nodes, Filaments & Sheets



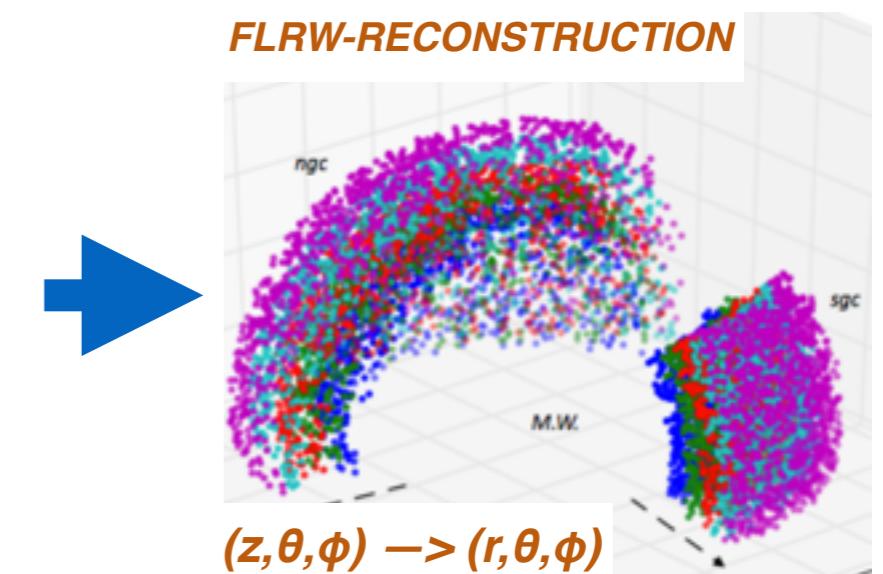
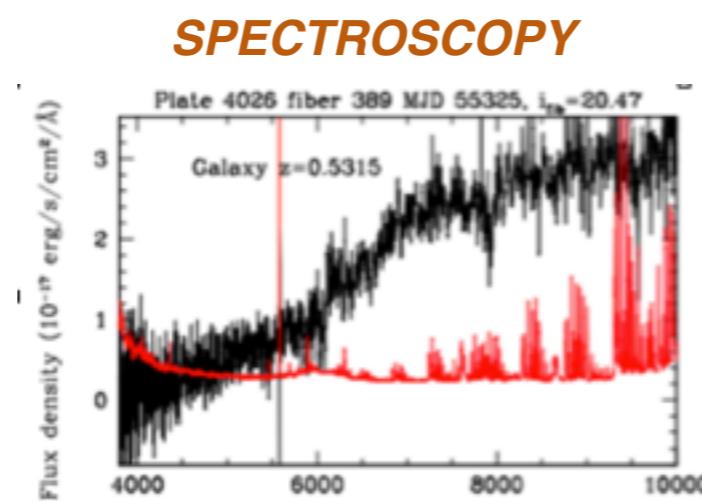
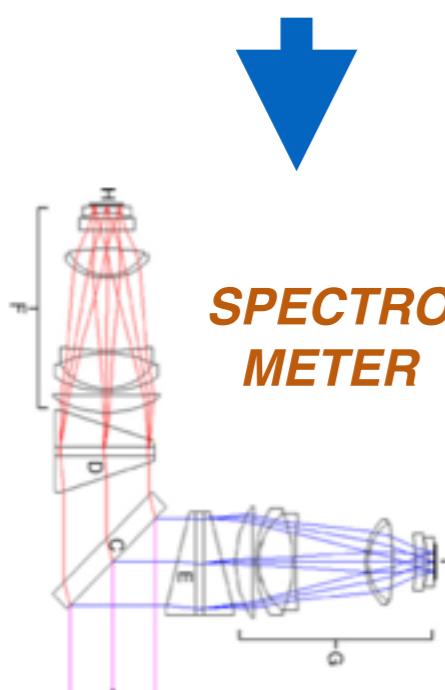
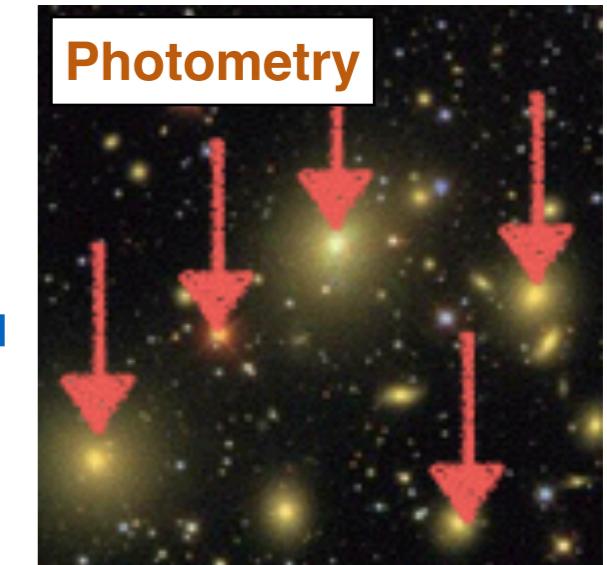
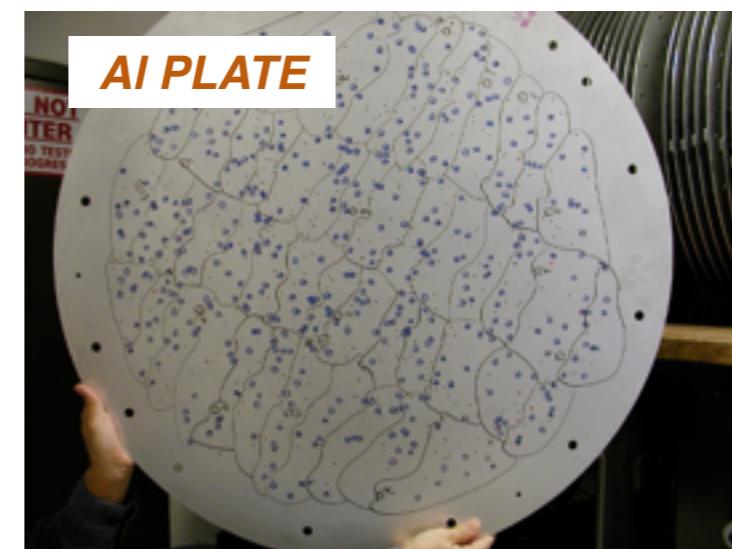
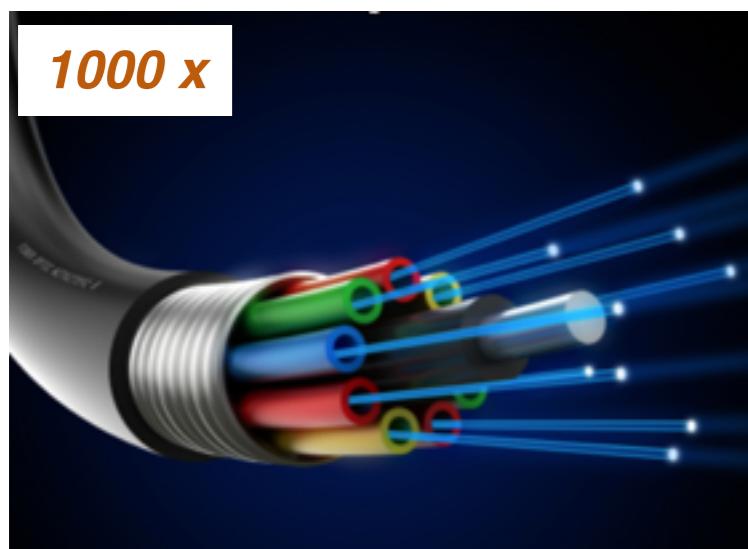
Different Observables: n , T.F., SZ, FoF, ...

SDSS-III(IV) / (e)BOSS

- Main project:
 - APO telescope (New Mexico, USA)
 - 2.5 m diameter
- Spectroscopic Survey:
 - $360 \text{ nm} < \lambda < 1000 \text{ nm}$
 - FoV: 10 400 deg 2 :
 - 10^6 Gal @ $z \sim 0.6$ (Gyr)
 - $10^5 \text{ QSO + Ly-a F}$ @ $z \sim 2.4$ (Gyr)
- Objectives:
 - Galaxy Clustering Science
 - Cosmological Parameters



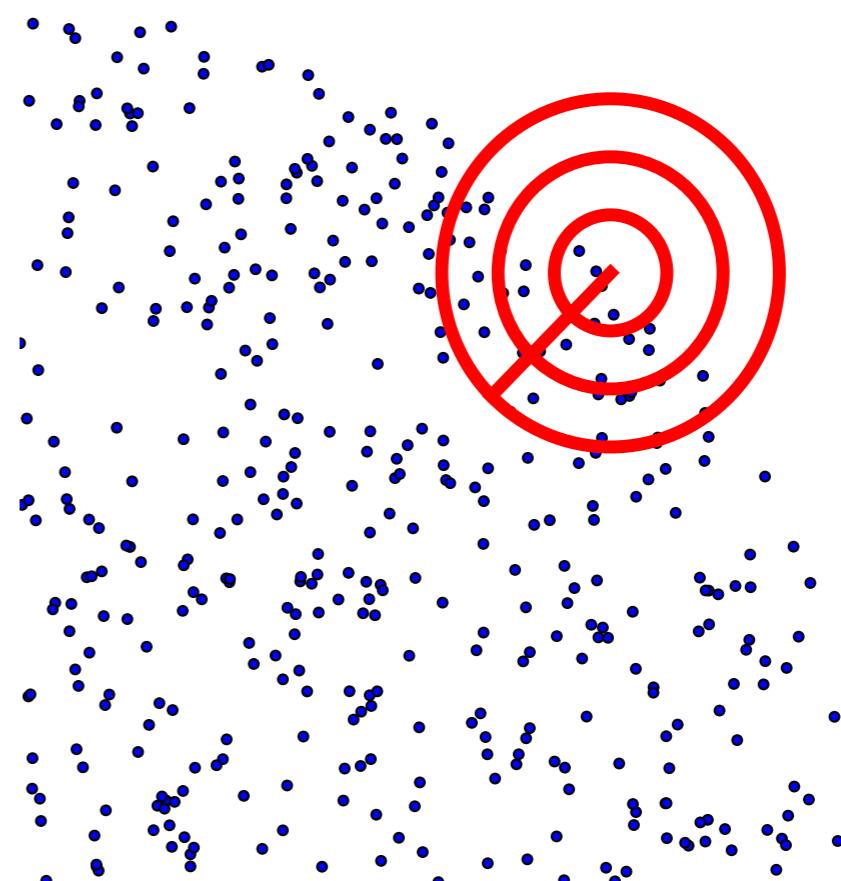
eBOSS in a Nutshell



How to measure densities ?

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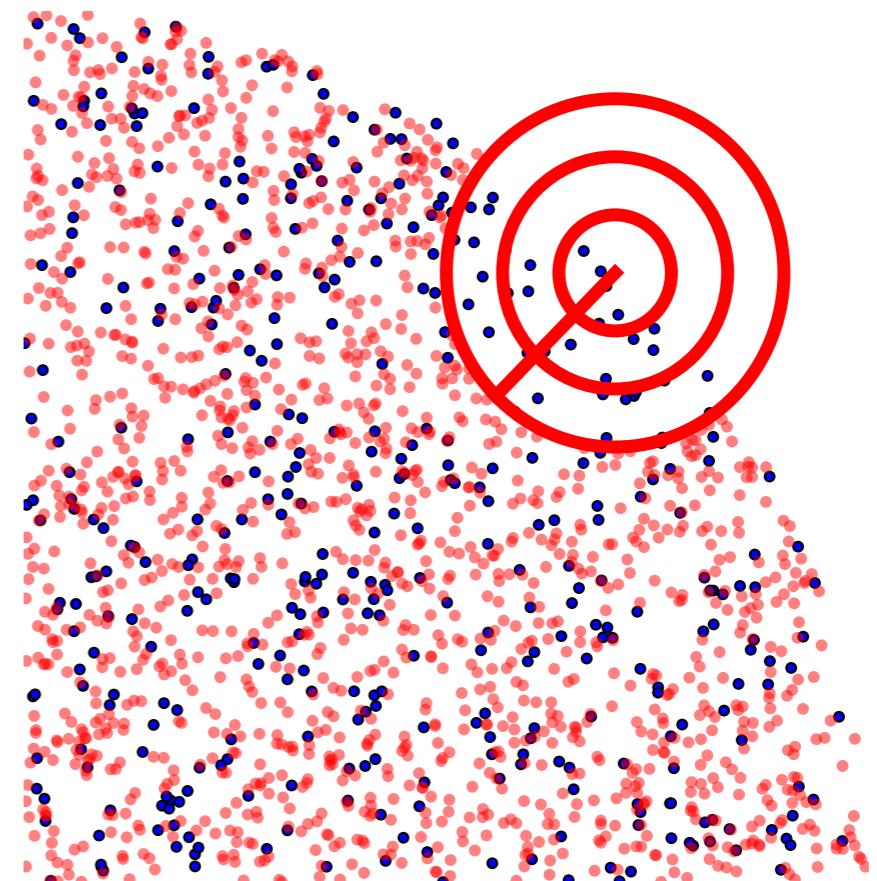
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Random Pairs: Same Selection Function

Homogeneity Scale Estimator

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@ small scales (clustering)
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@ large scales
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Arbitrary Choice

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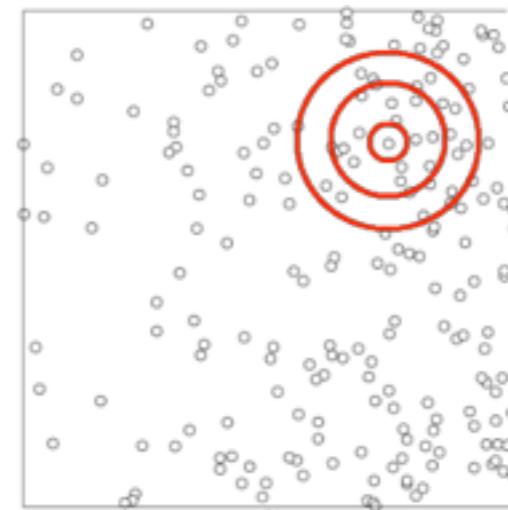
$$D_2(r) < 3$$

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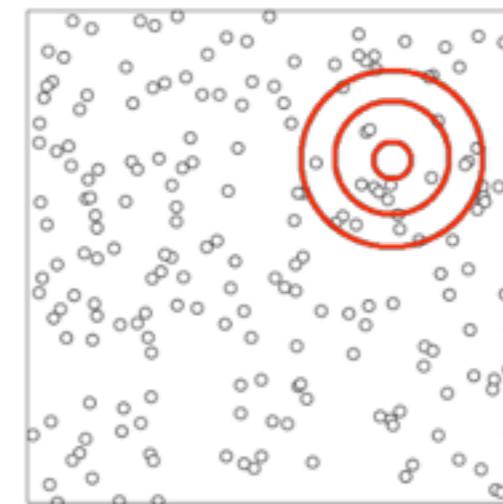
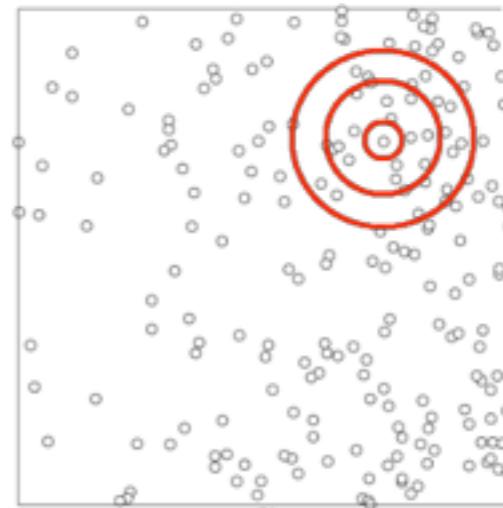
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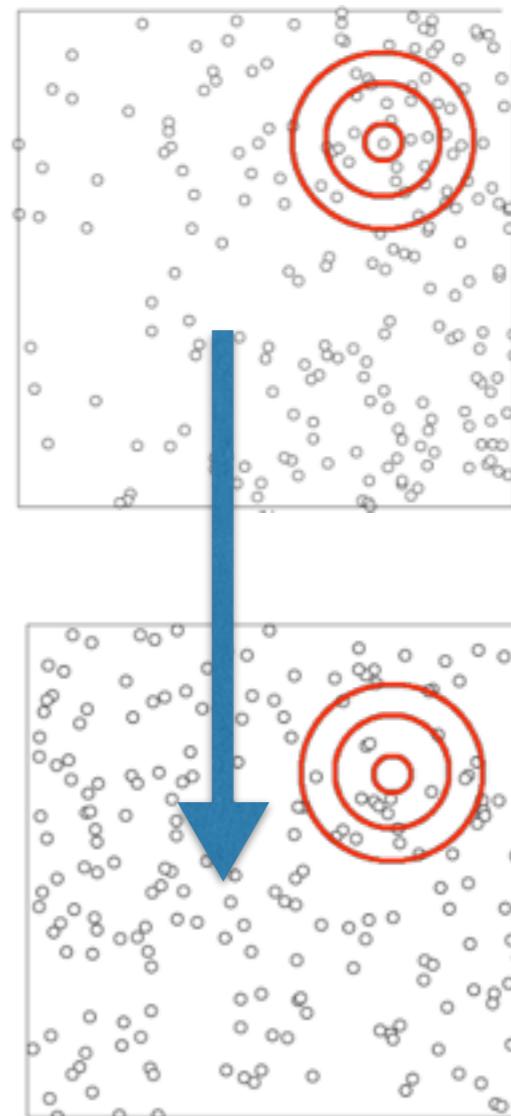
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 $D_2(R_H) = 3$ @ 1%
Arbitrary Choice

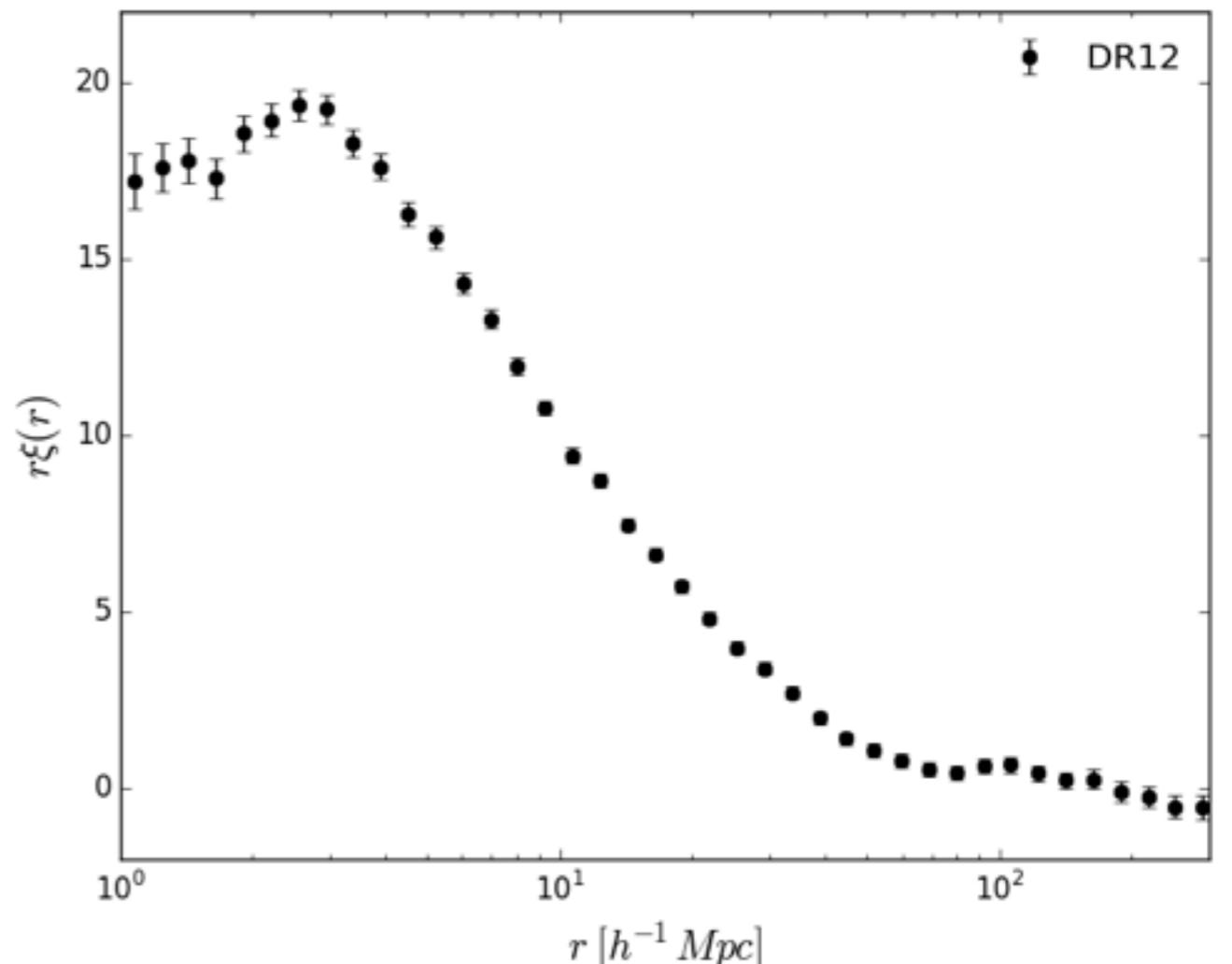


Galaxies: Biased Tracers

- RSD modelling
- bias + σ_p

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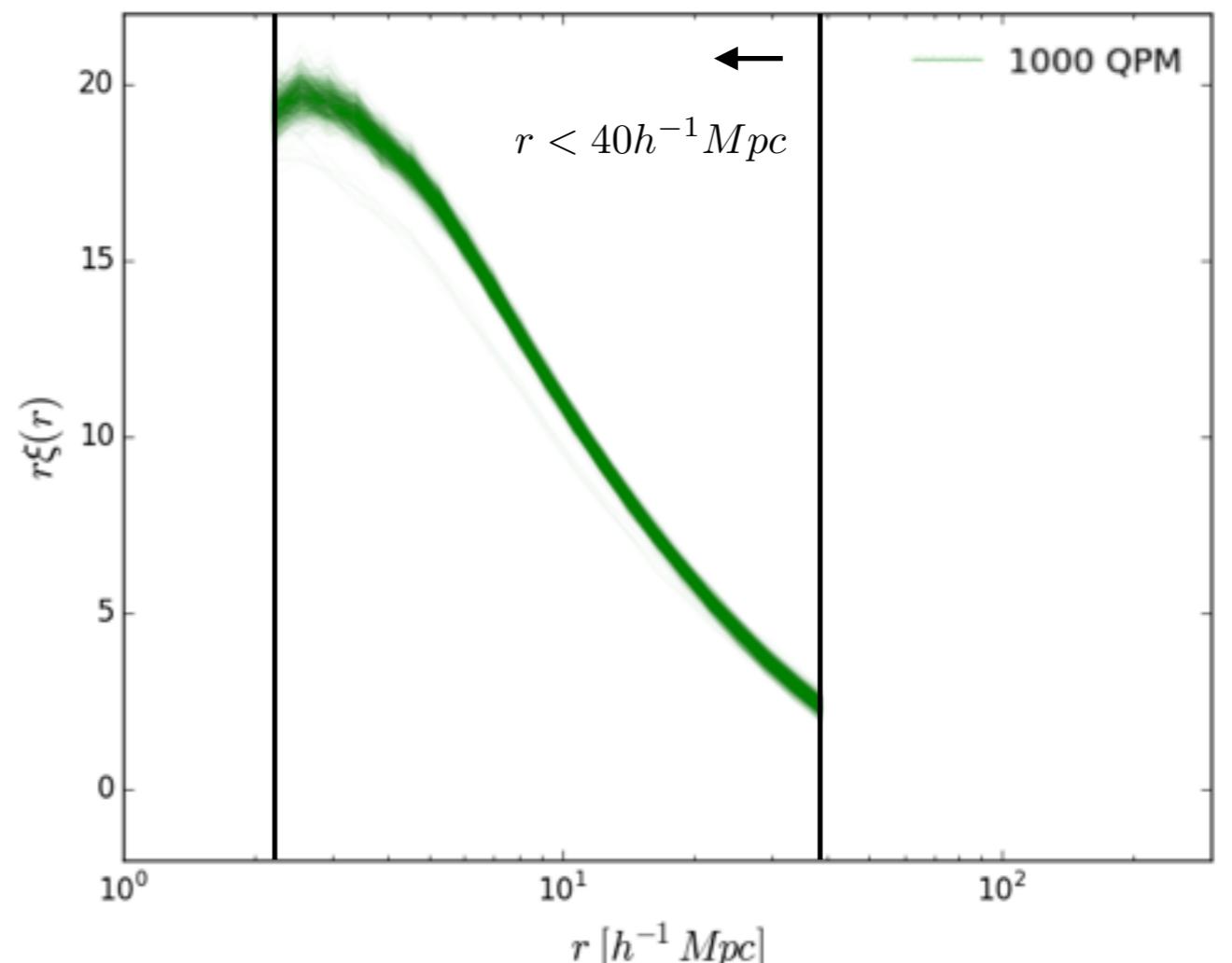
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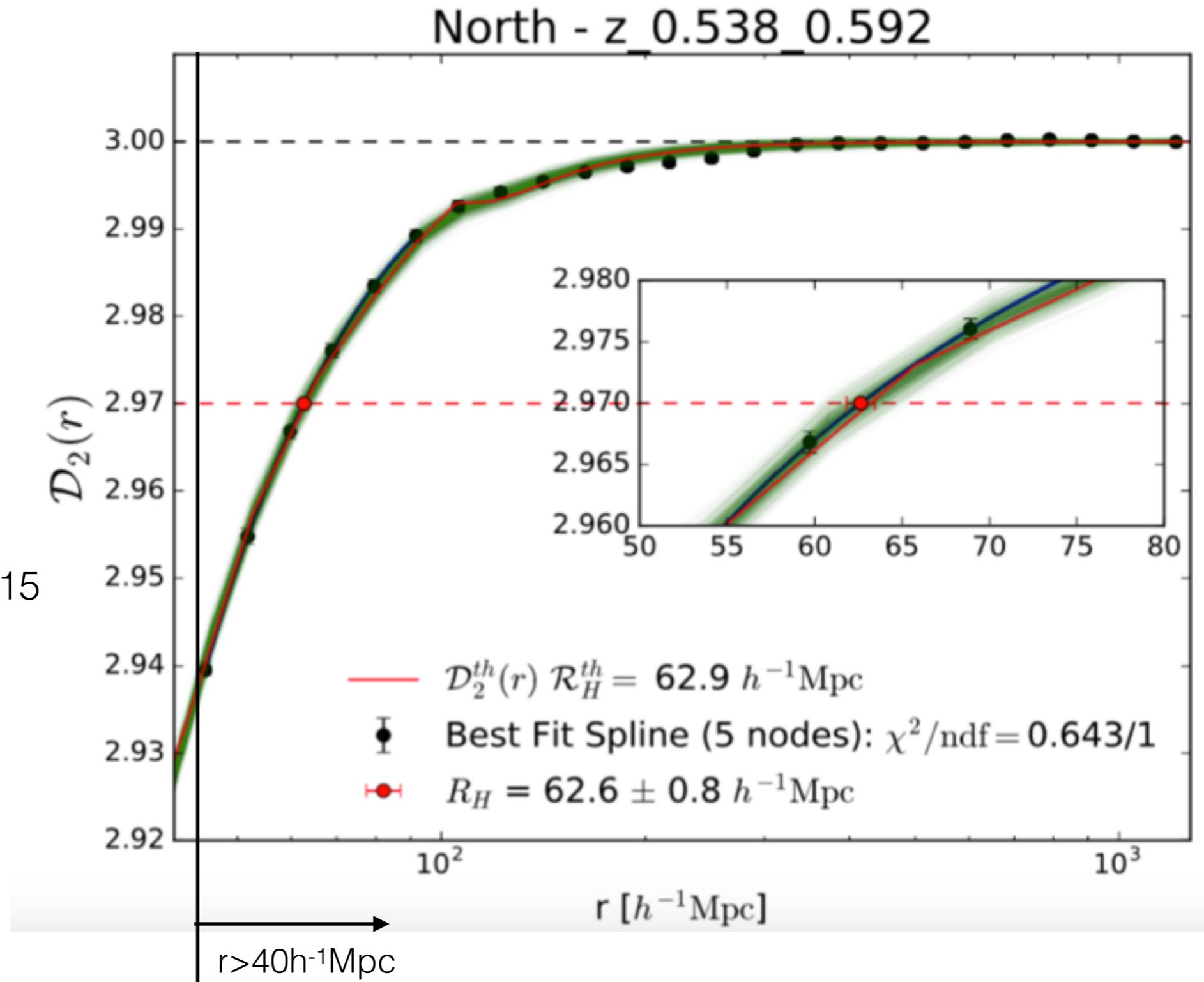
- Lower Part ($r < 40h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$)
- Fitting Choices on 1000 QPM

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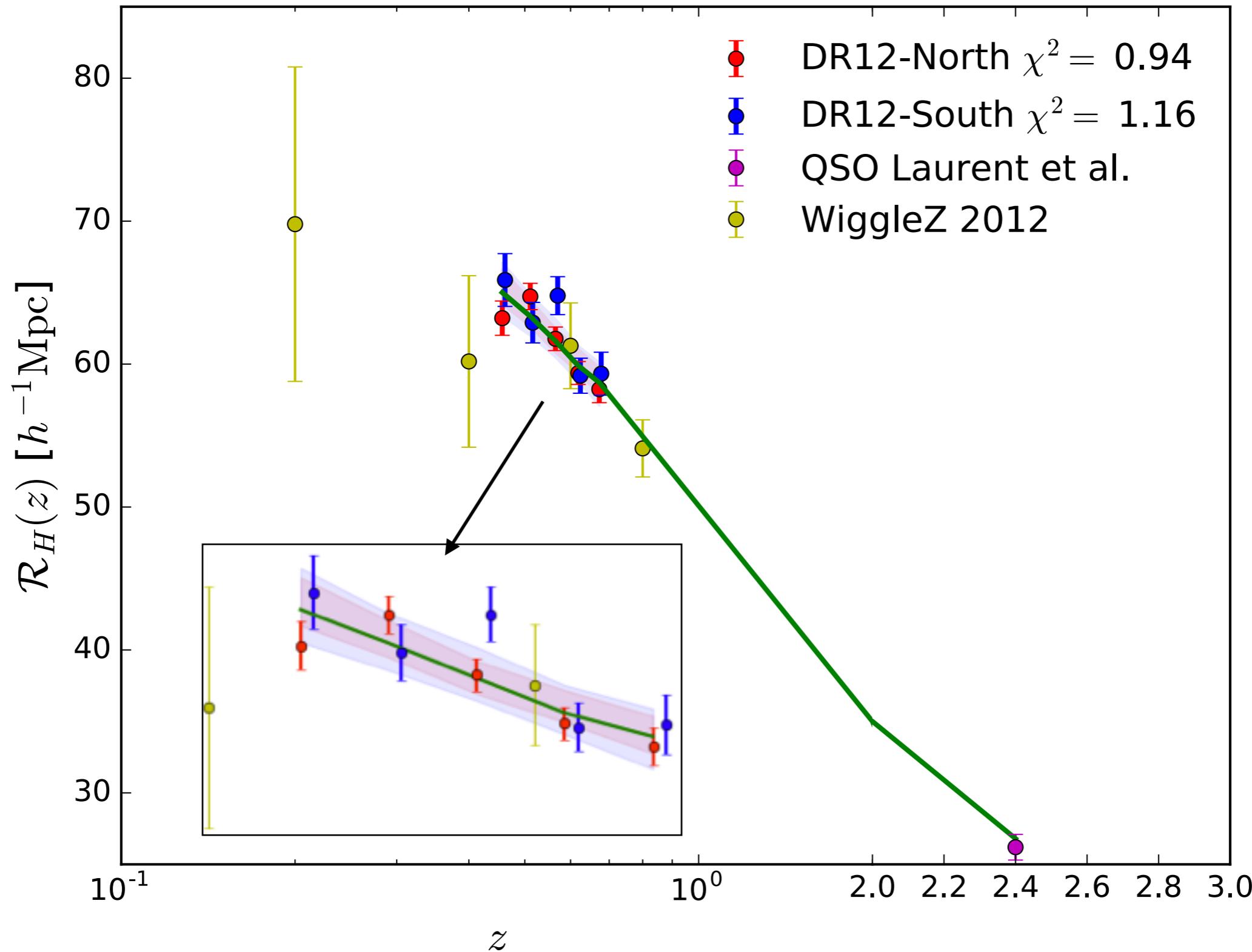


Cosmological Principle Confirmed!

- Fit on $r_{\min} = 40 h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$
 - DR12 DATA
 - 1000 QPM- Λ CDM
 - Λ CDM PLANCK 2015

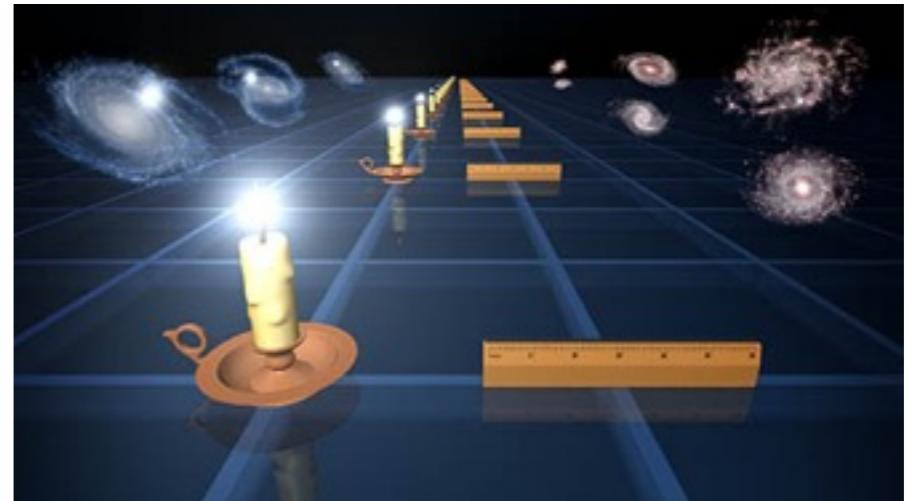


Homogeneity Scale $\sim f_G$



On Going Investigations

- Use R_H as Cosmo-Ruler:
 - Geometrical Properties
 - Acceleration of the Universe
 - Nature of Dark Energy
- Predictions for future projects:



CANADA-FRANCE IMAGING SURVEY

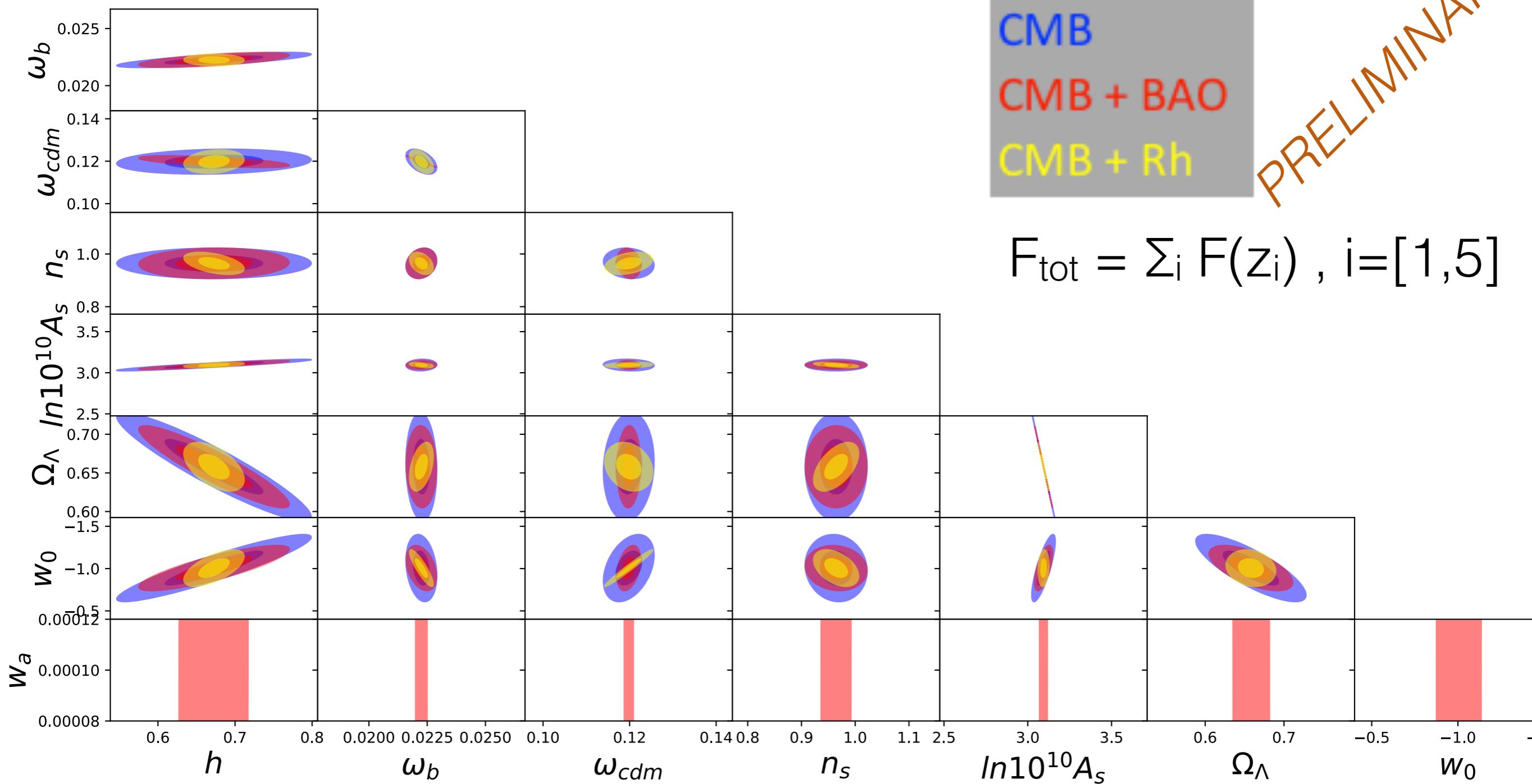


Homogeneity scale of the Universe

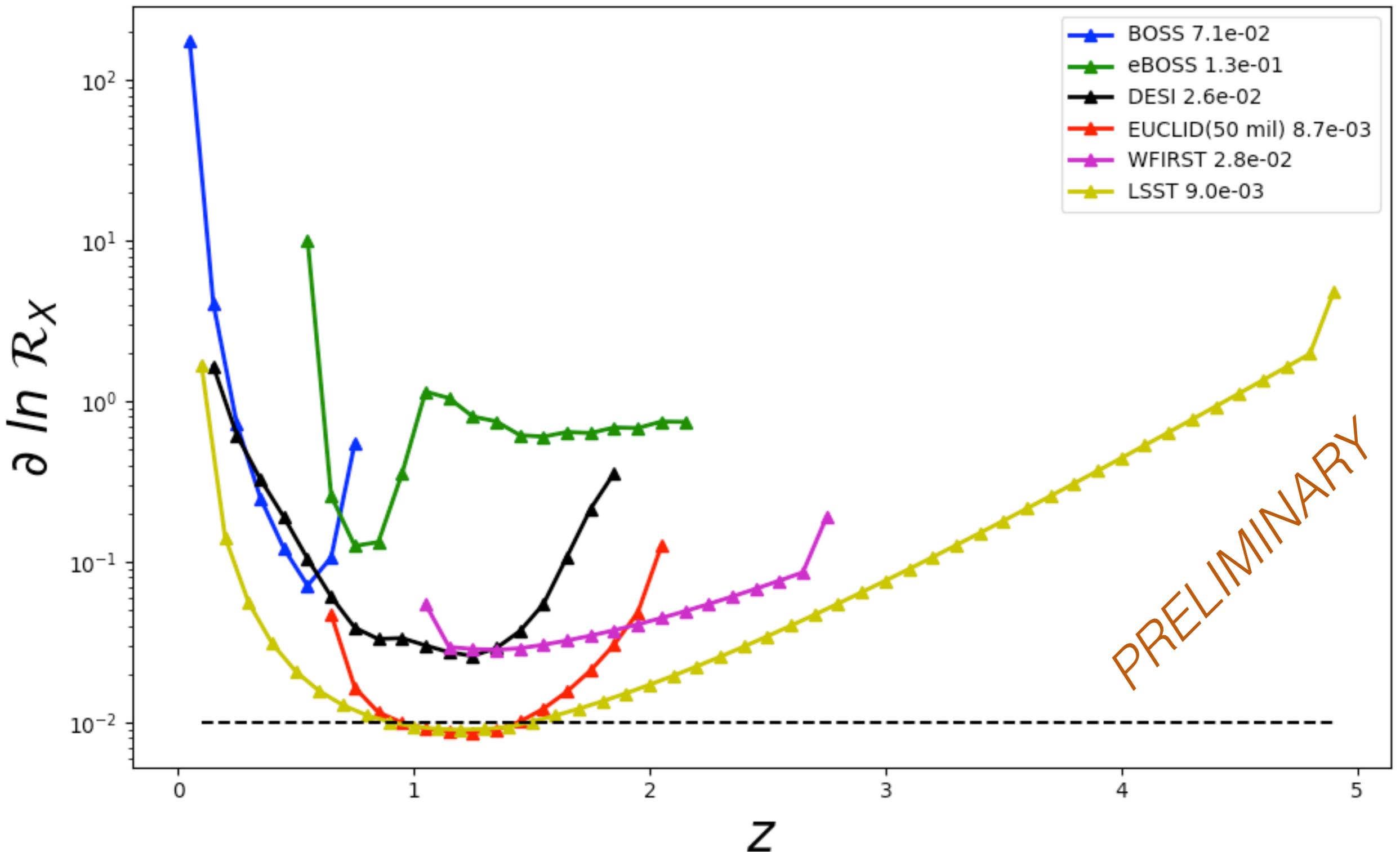


FISHEROLOGY

PRELIMINARY



Sensitivity-Forecast



Take home message!

Main Features:

- Largest eff-Vol ever studied!
- Precision $\sim 1\%$ ($W_z \sim 5\%$)
- Easy application on different surveys
- Complementary Cosmological Probe !!!
- Sensitivity on H_0 , Ω_Λ & w_0

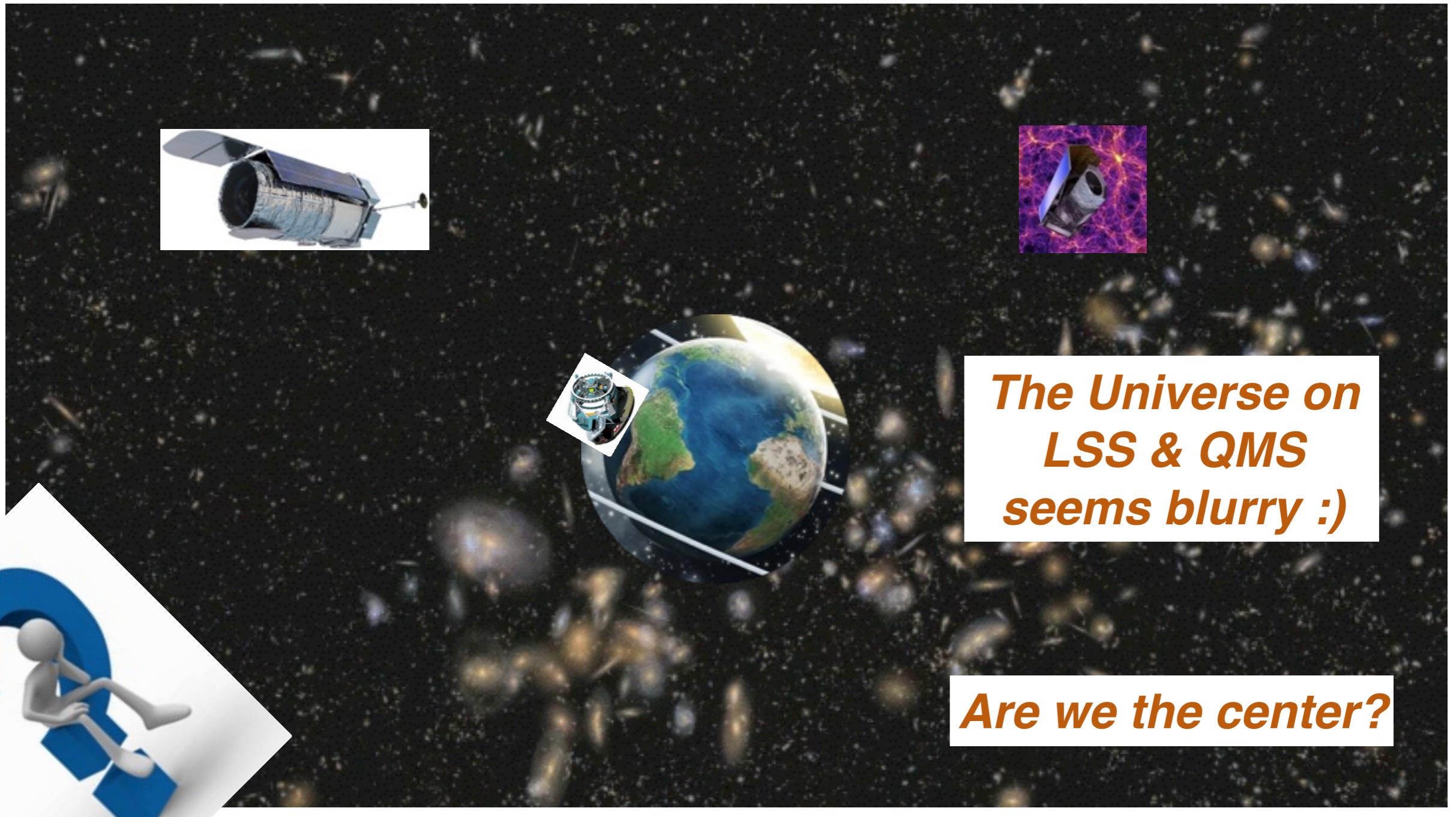
Main Limitations:

- Insensitive to $p(z)$ dependence
- Λ CDM Assumption:
 - $z \rightarrow d_{\text{comov}}(z; \Omega)$
 - RSD Analysis



- Consistency test of Λ CDM at %-level
- **Validation of Cosmological Principle**

Thank you for your Attention !



*The Universe on
LSS & QMS
seems blurry :)*

Are we the center?

Back - ↑

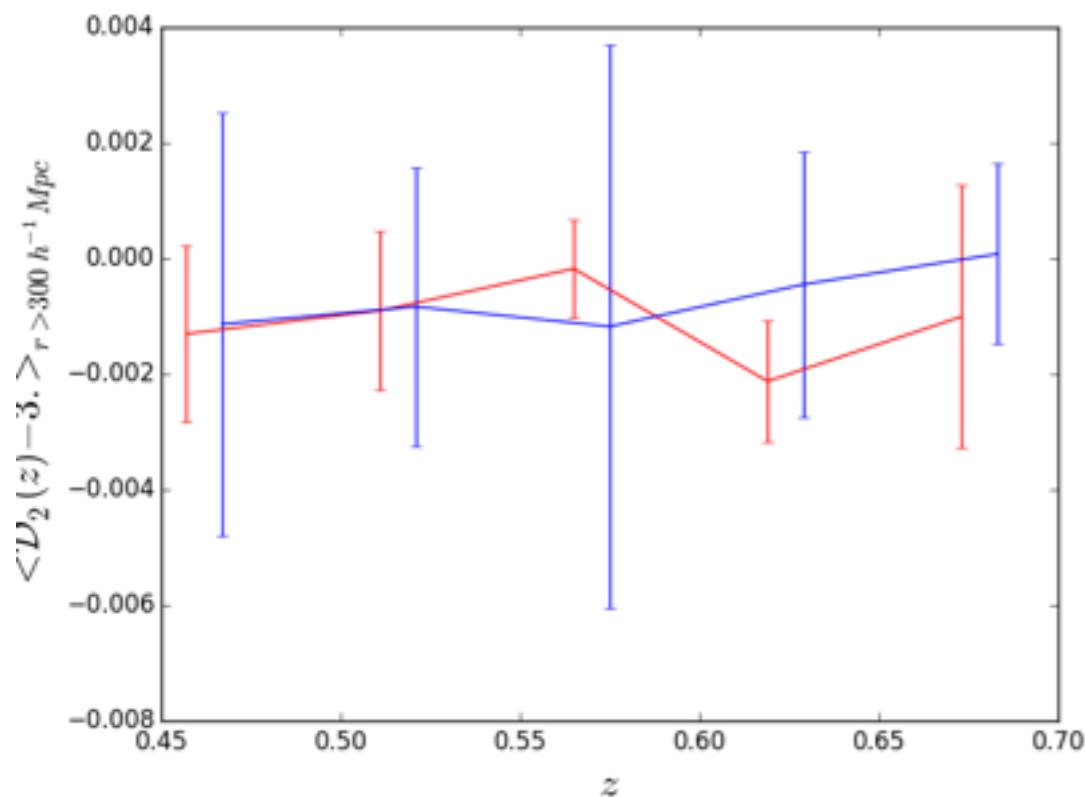
A dozen of Large Scale Structures

Year	Name	Size (Mpc)	Detection Method	Notes	Dedication
1983	Webster (5)LQG	100	no-info	no-info	A.Webster
1987	Pisces-Cetus SuperCluster Complex	350	spectro-z, percolation analysis $L_0=70 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$, 10 members, $L>L_0$ no significant	$h=75$	R.B.Tully
1987	Giand Void	350	$L_0=200 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$, Spectro-z, FoF	Flat, $\Lambda=0$, $H_0=50 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$, $q_0=0.5$	A.I.Kopylov et al.
1989	Great Wall	240	spectro-z	blocked by MW gal plain	Hunchra & Geller
2003	Sloan Great Wall	420	By comparison of Great Wall	Flat-fid cosmo	J.R.Gott
2006	Newfound Blob	65	FOCAS,Subaru, Ly α emitters	Flat,0.3,0.70,z~3.1	0510762v1
2007	Super Void	140	NVSS, Waveletes+ISW, Counts+Brighnes	Close to cmb cold Spot	Rudnick et al. 0704.0908v2
2012	Huge CC (73)LQG	500/1240	SDSS, FoF, $L_0=100 h_{70}^{-1} \text{Mpc}$	Flat,0.27,0.73,1.0< z <1.8	1211.6256v1
2013	Hecules-CoronaBorelis	2.2Gpc	SGRBM, γ -Ray Bursts, $(\theta\phi)$ -KS test, z-independent	Pure, identification?	1311.1104
2014	Lianakea	$160 h^{-1}$	Velocities Wiener Filter	no-info	1409.0880v1
2016	BOSS Great Wall	$271 h^{-1}$	SDSS, $8 h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$ smoothing , $L>5L_0$	Flat,0.27,0.73,z~0.47	1602.08498v1

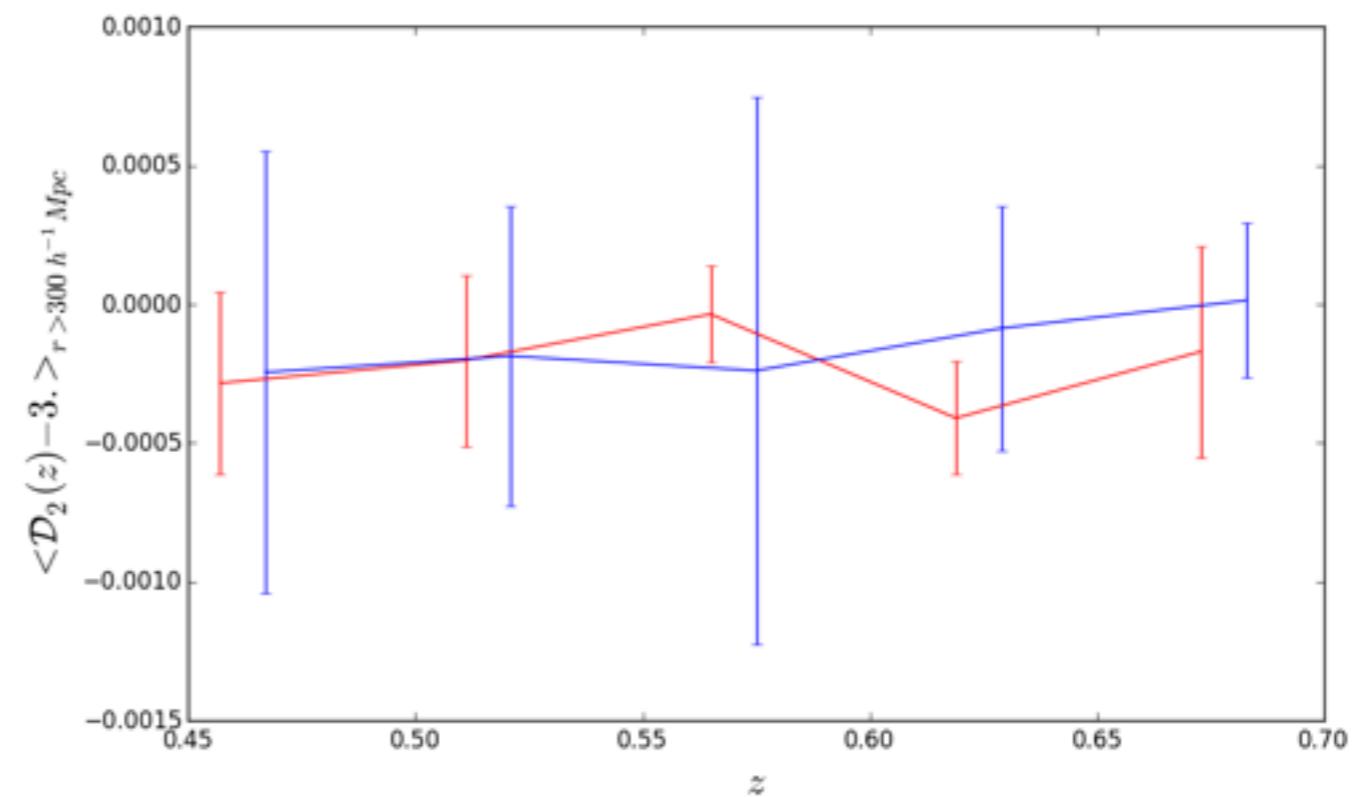
Consistency with 3

$r > 300 h^{-1} Mpc$

Gal ~ 2%



Mat ~ 0.5%



Galaxies: Biased Tracers

Redshift Space Distortions

- Kaiser: $r > 20 \text{ h}^{-1}\text{Mpc}$
GR infall V_{grav}
- FoG : $r < 20 \text{ h}^{-1}\text{Mpc}$
Peculiar Motions

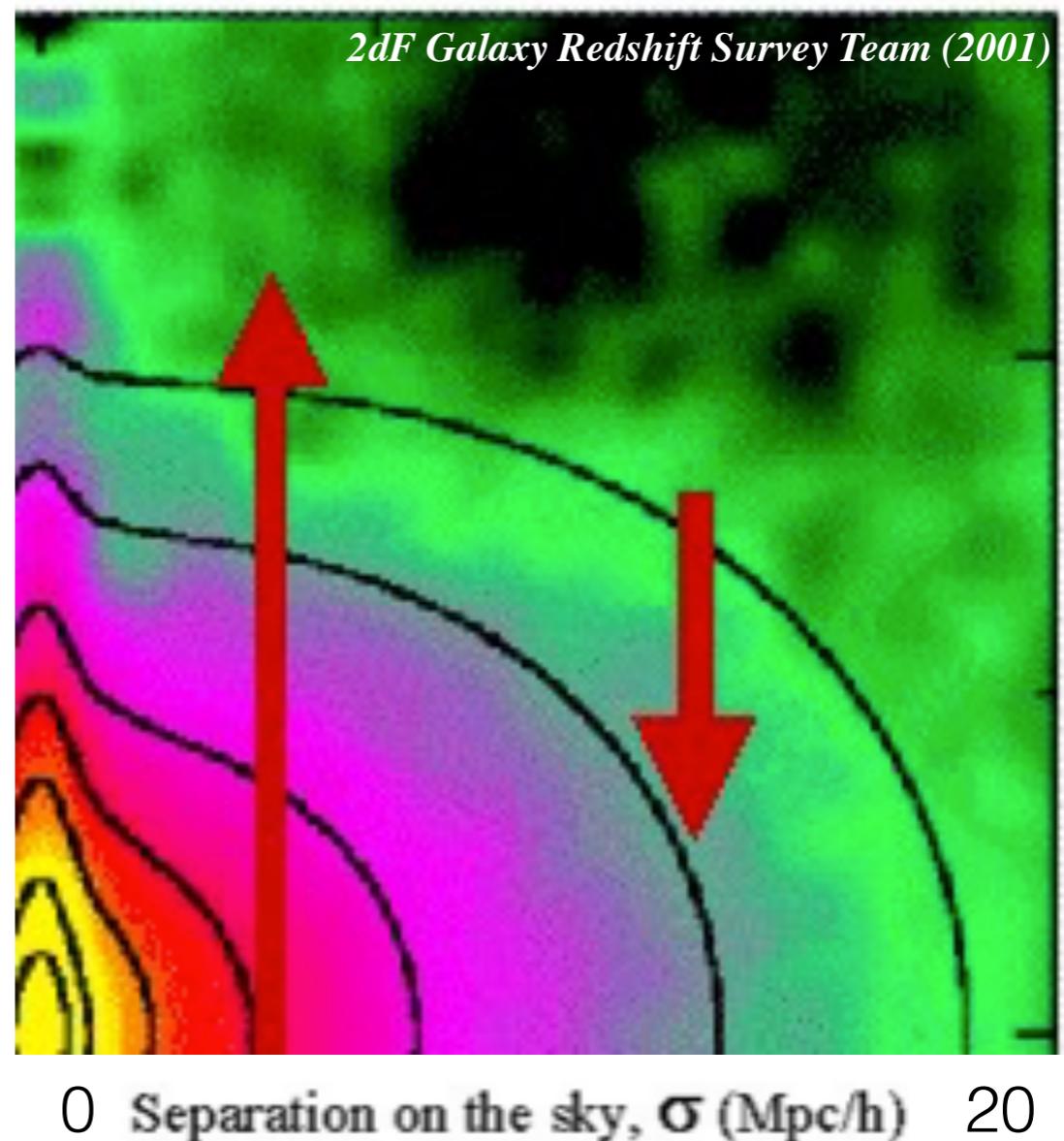
$$\mathcal{D}_2^{mat}(r) = \frac{\mathcal{D}_2^{gal}(r) - 3}{b^2} + 3$$

Separation along the line of sight, π (Mpc/h)

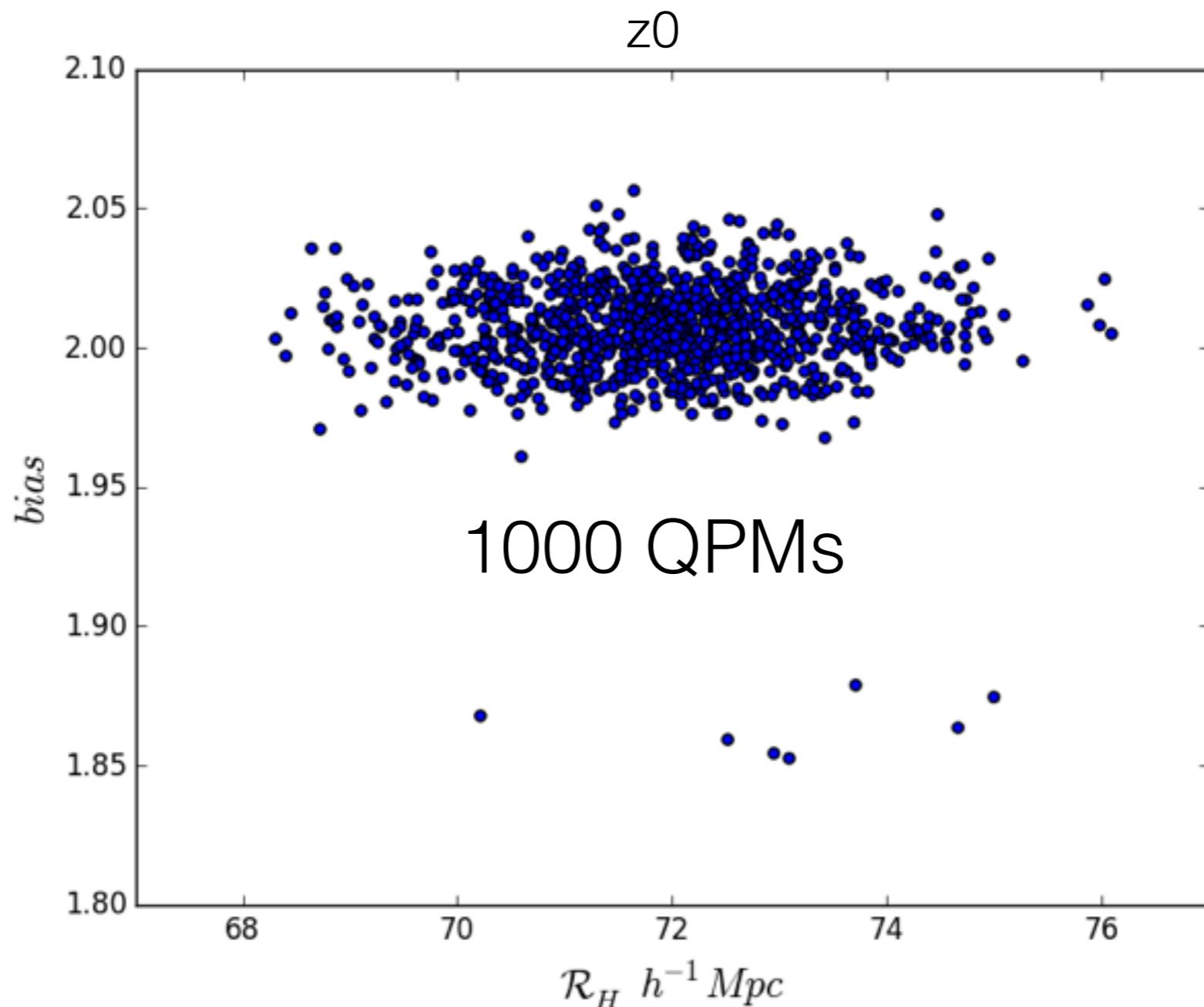
FoG

Kaiser

2dF Galaxy Redshift Survey Team (2001)



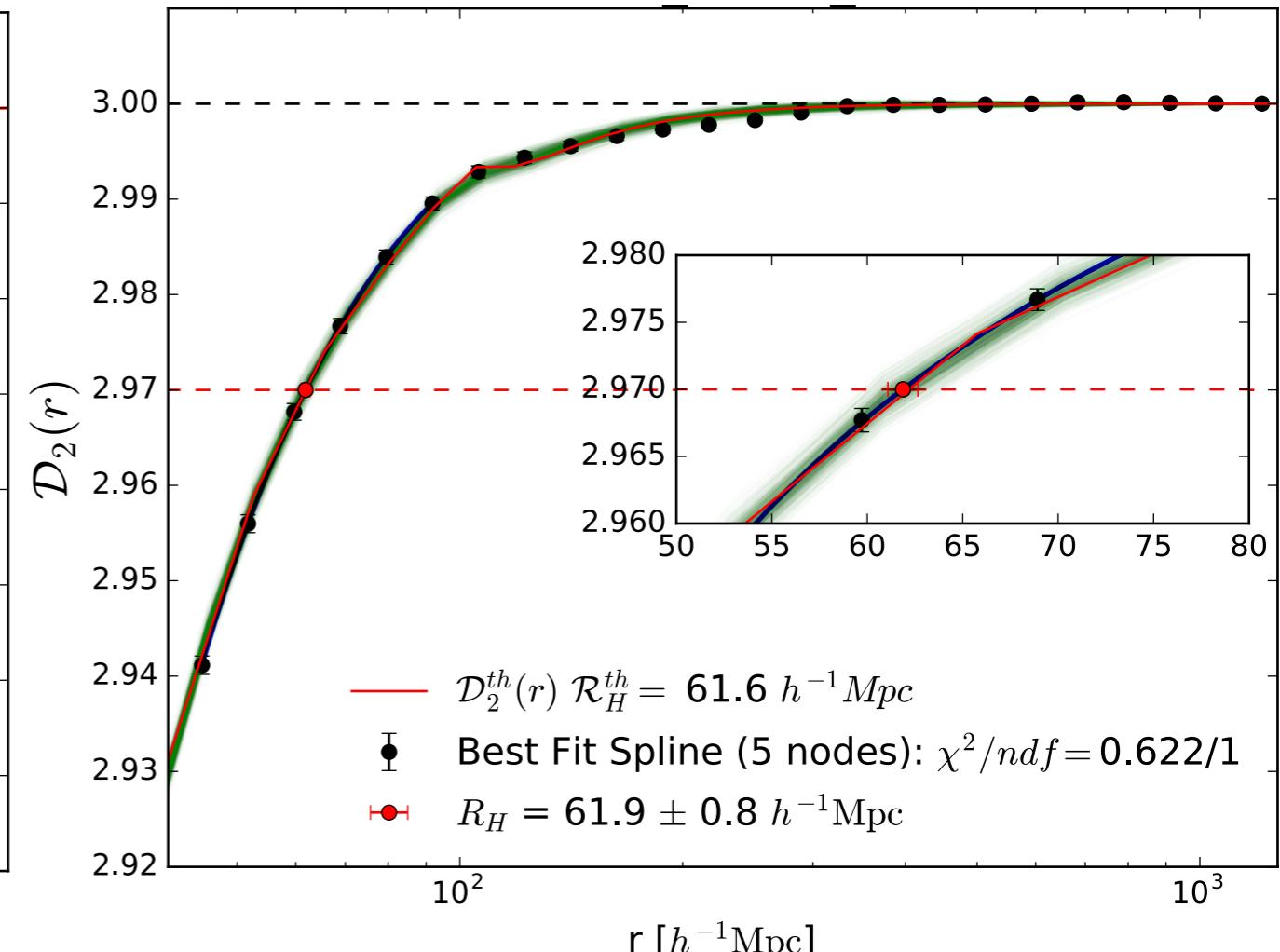
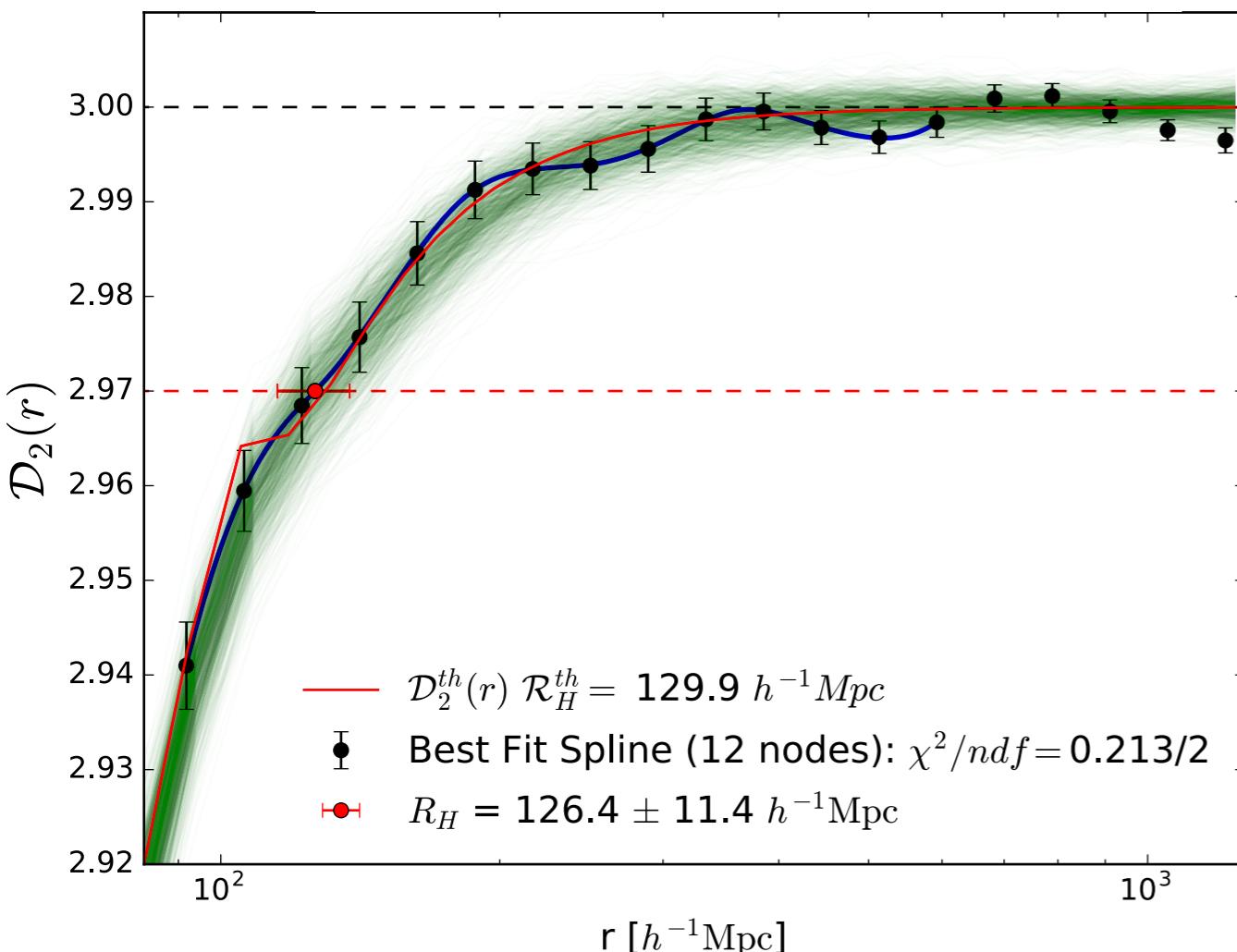
No-Correlation



GALAXIES

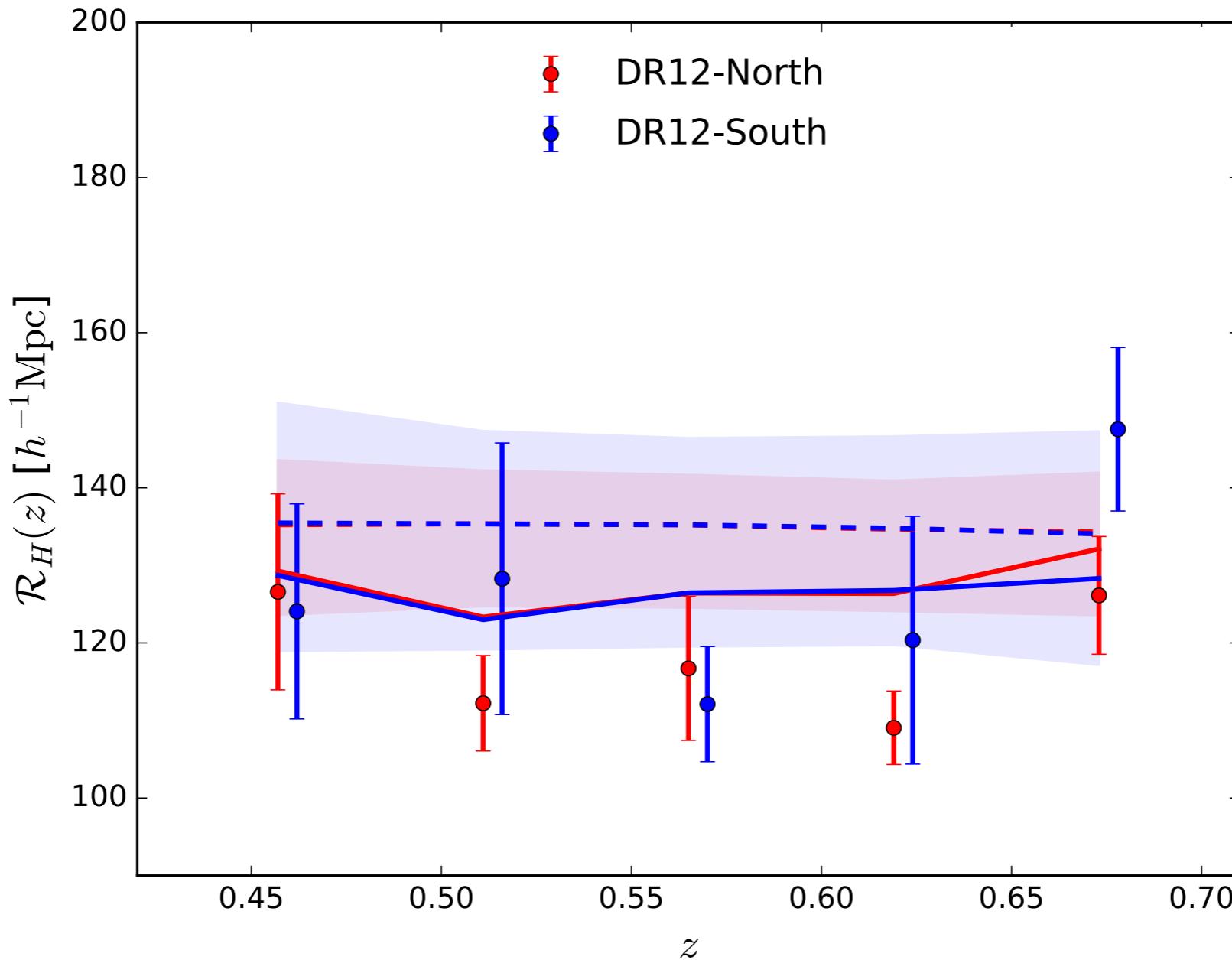
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MATTER



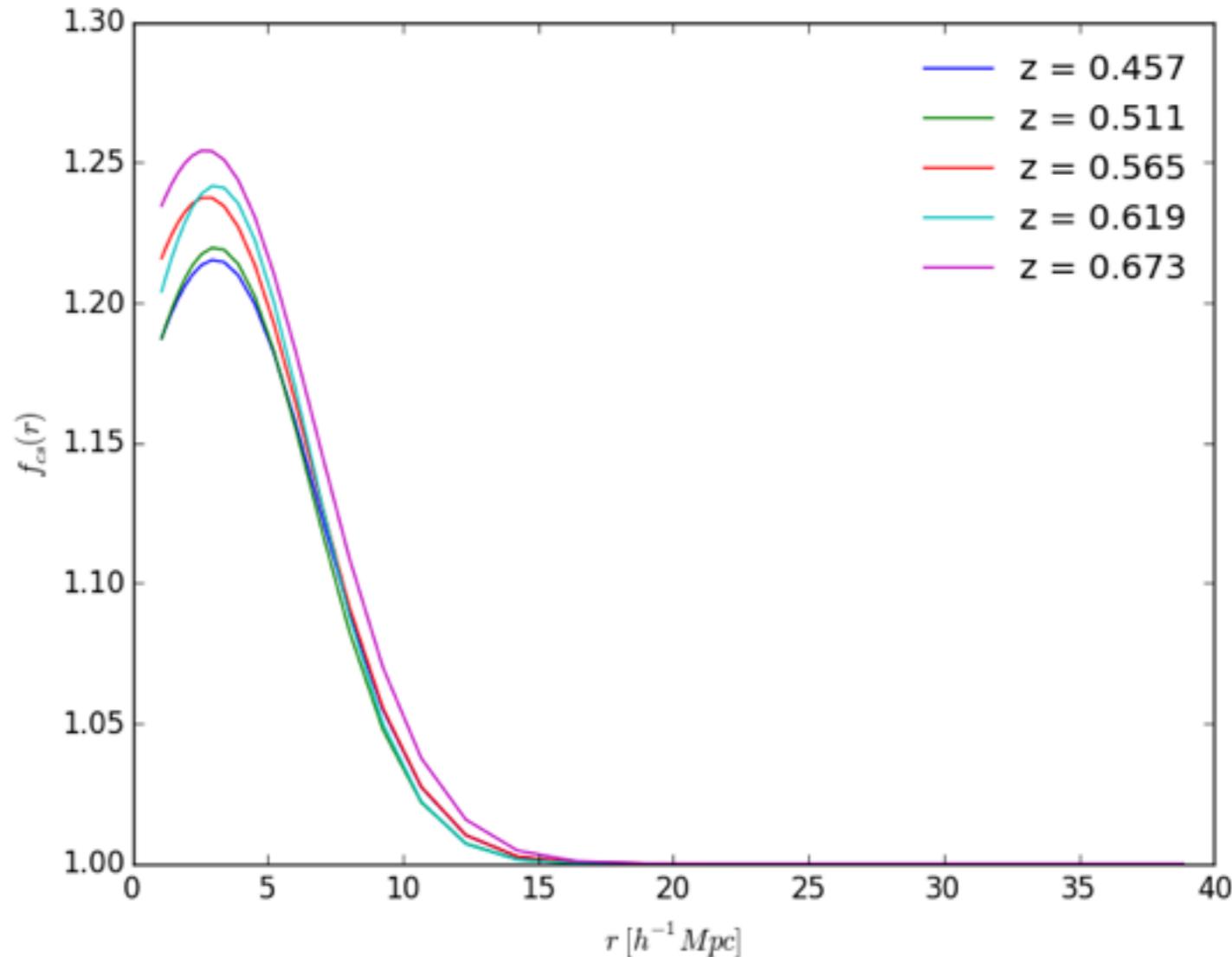
Increase of Precision (still under investigation)

Galaxy- $R_H(z)=cnt$



due to CMASS sample

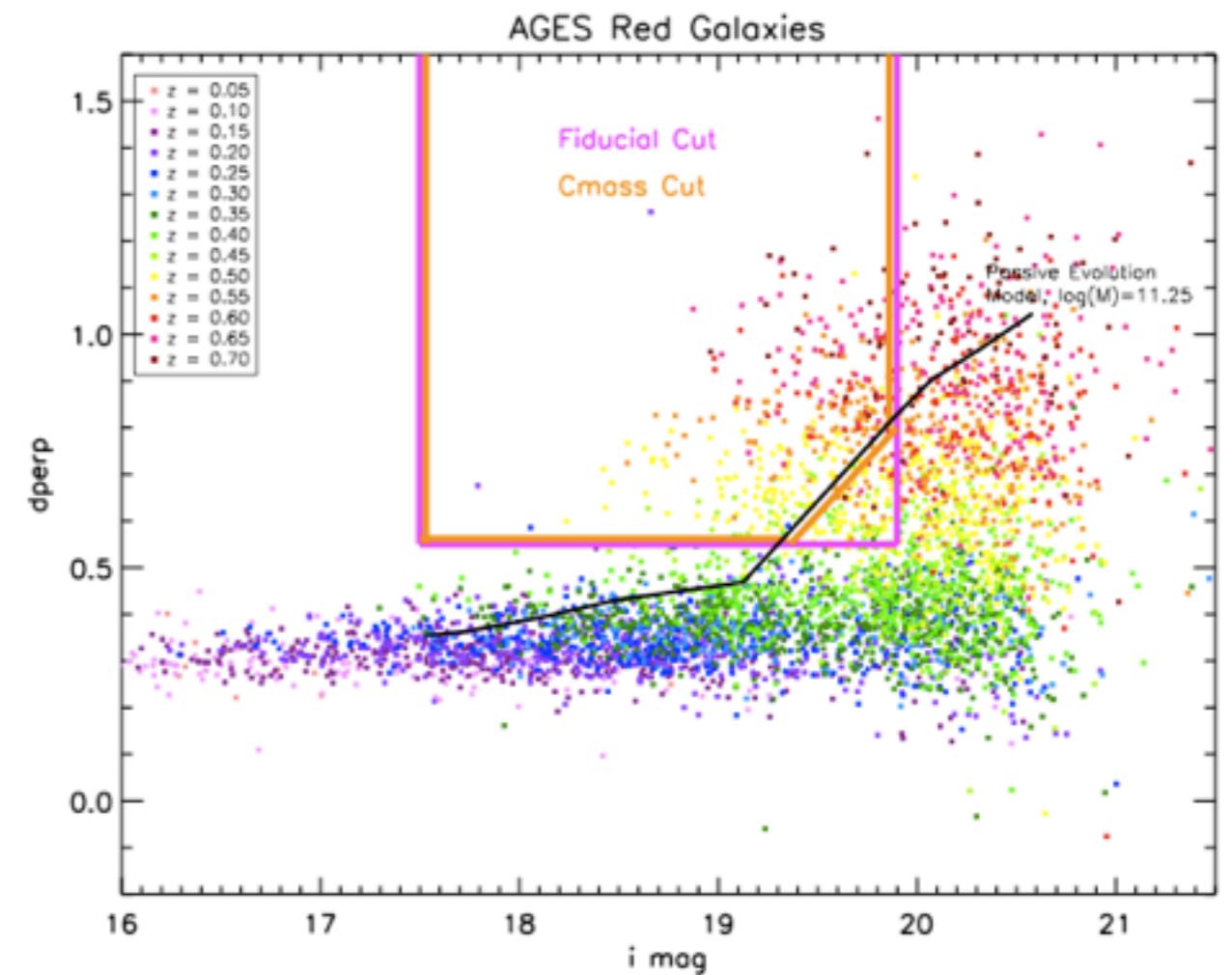
$$C'_{ij} = C_{ij} (1 + \delta_{ij} (f_i - 1)(f_j - 1)e^2)$$



$$f_i = RSD(QPM)/Linear(QPM)$$

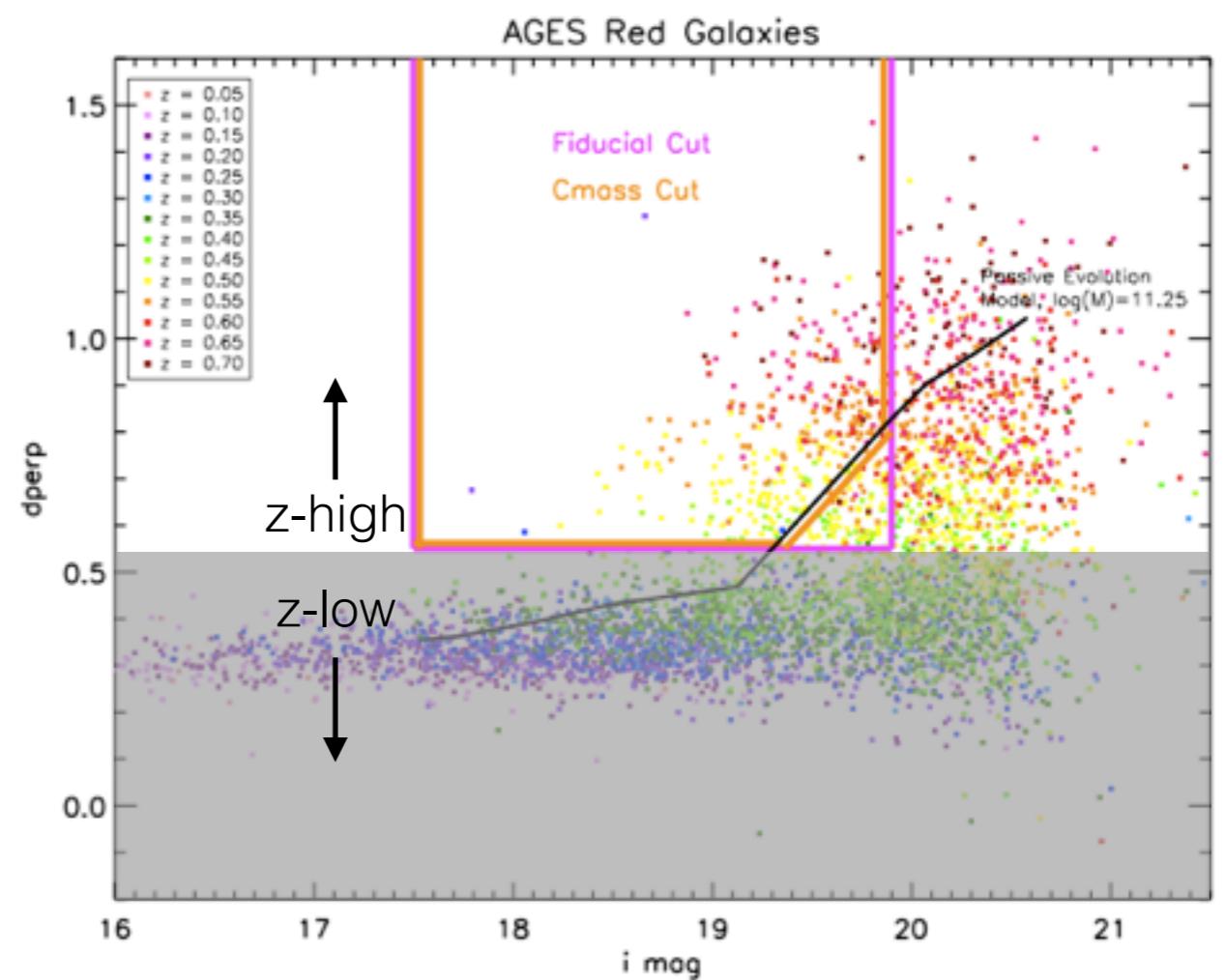
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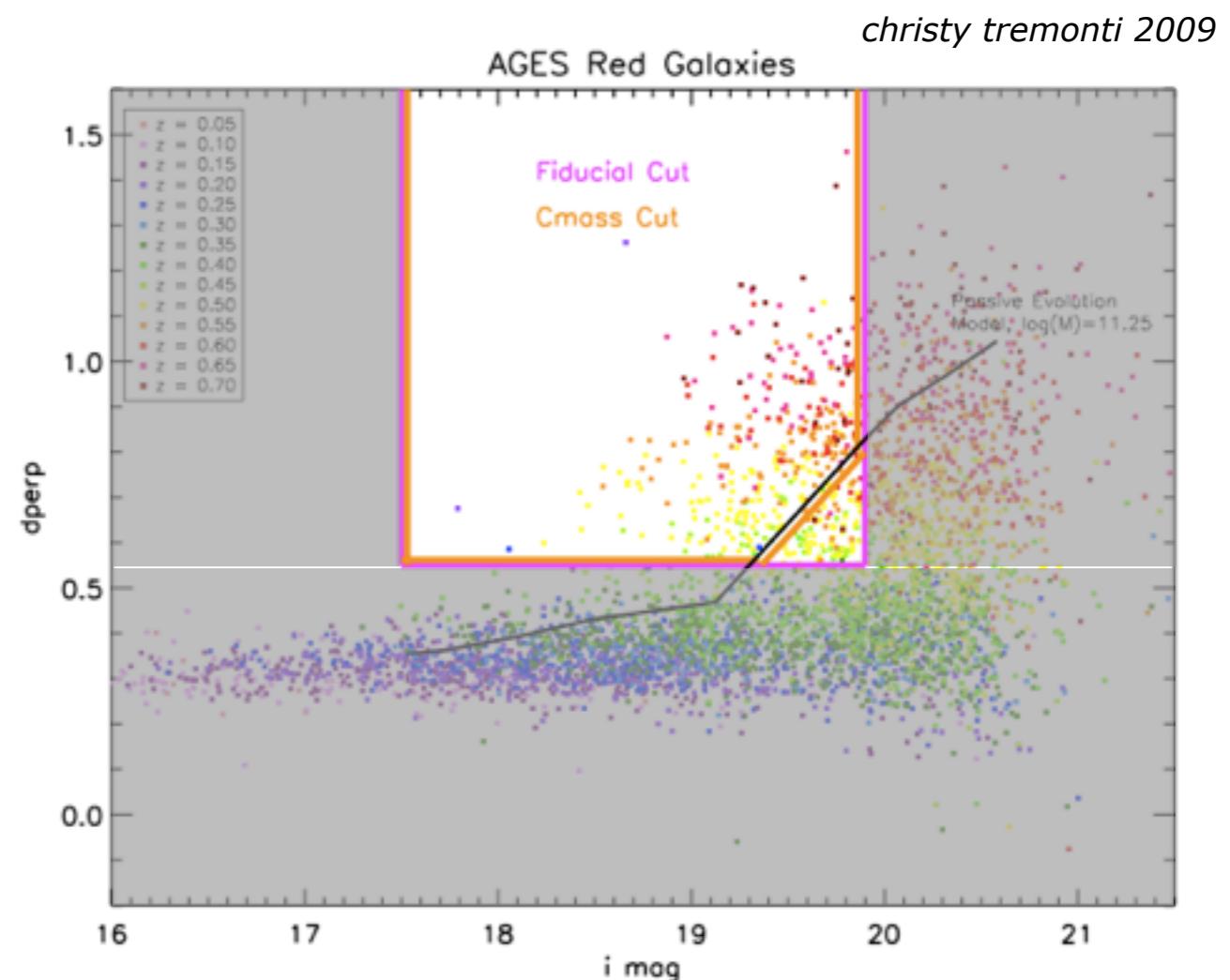
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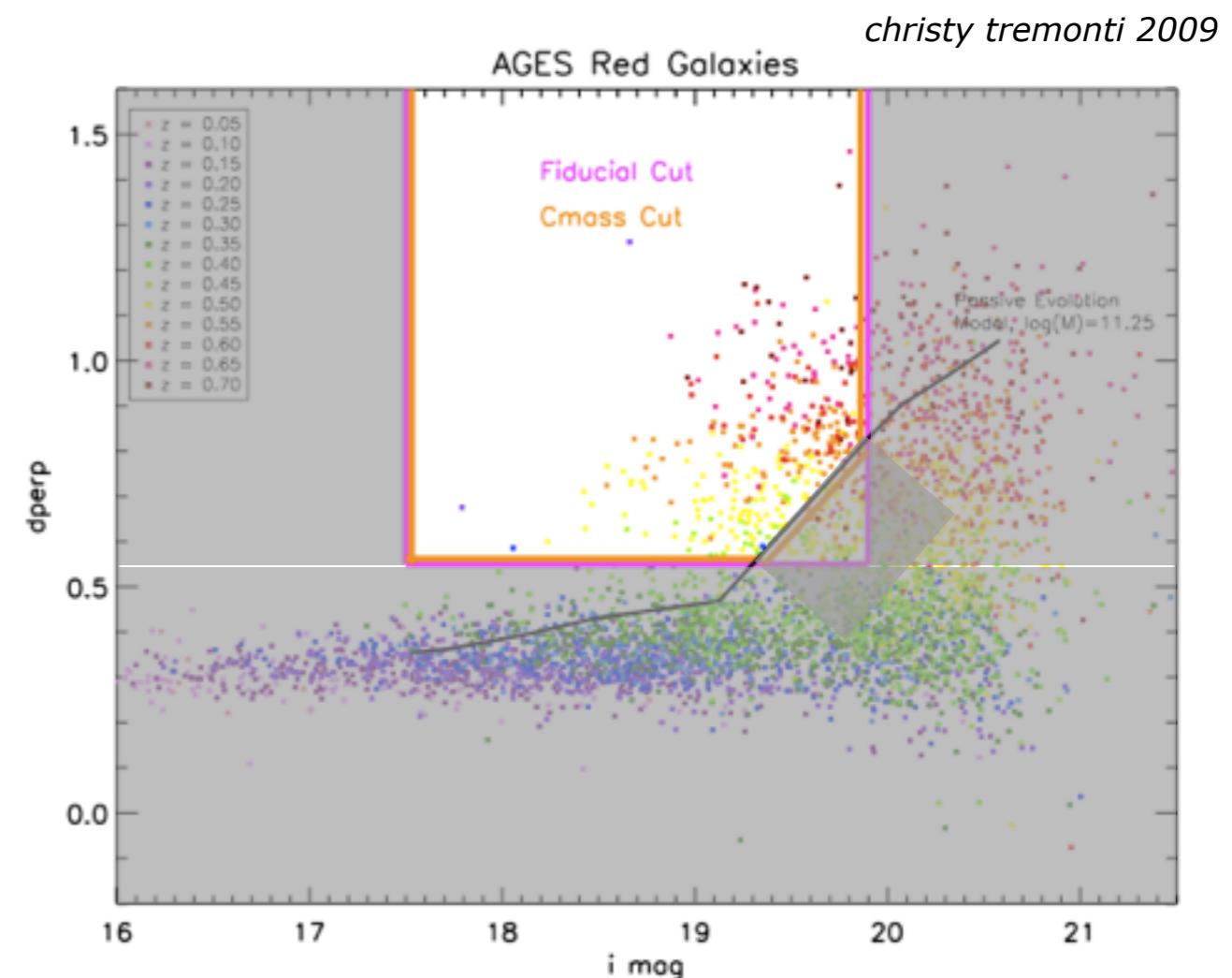
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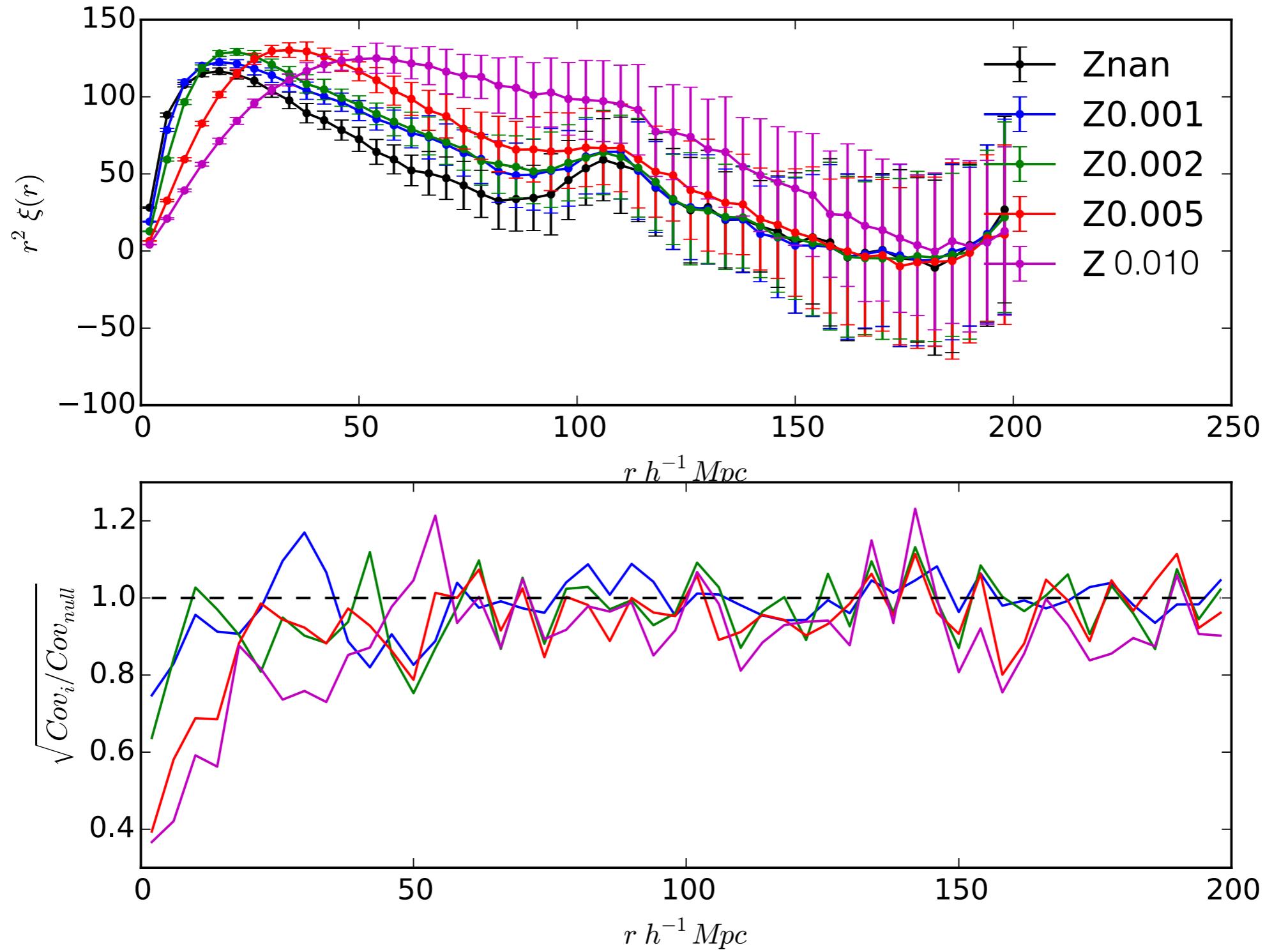
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 - passively evolving gals
constant-stellar mass

Best BOSS CMASS Sample



Phot vs Spect



Mock Galaxies Catalogues (QPM)

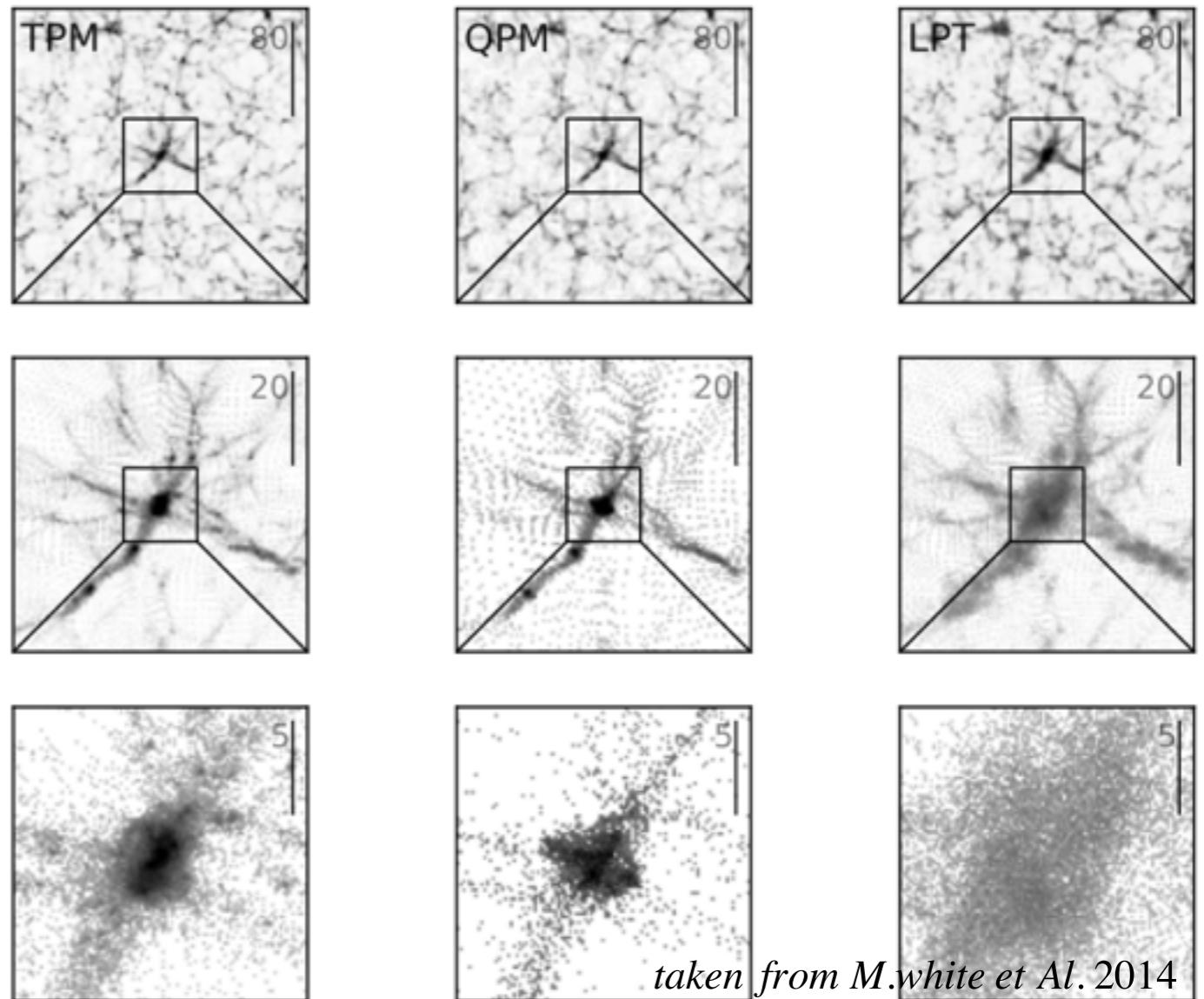
Basic Method

- Predict evolution of mass field
- Identify DM halos
- Populate Halos with Galaxies
- Apply survey characteristics

Analysis Usage

- Compute Covariance Matrices
- Use in Analysis Tests

ref: 1309.5532v2, 1203.6609v2



Distance Reconstruction

