

# Simulating galaxy formation in $f(R)$ -gravity

Full-physics simulations in modified gravity with AREPO

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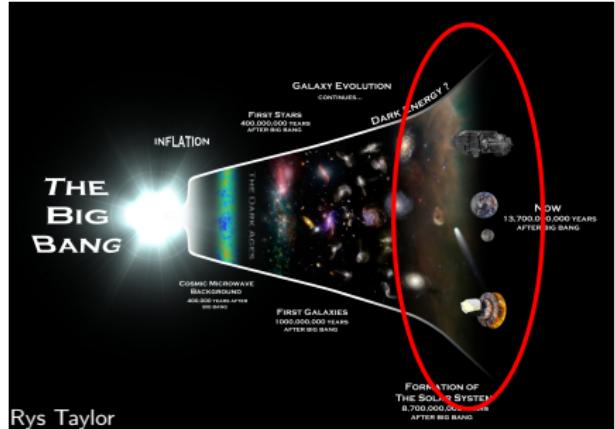
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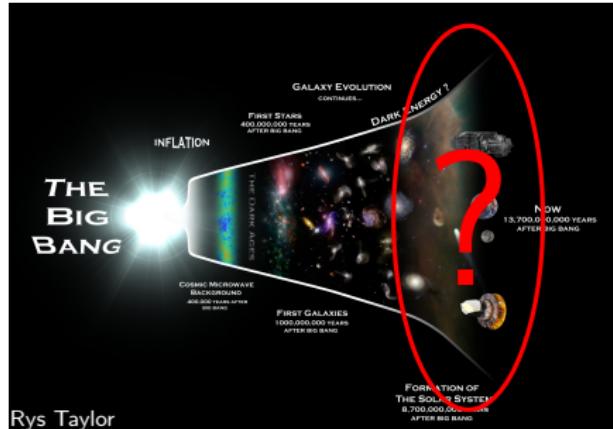
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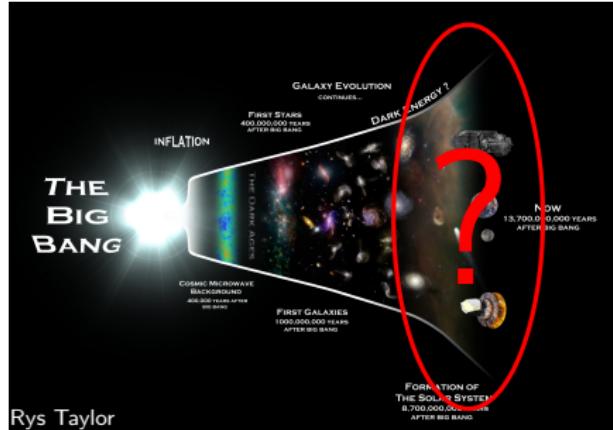
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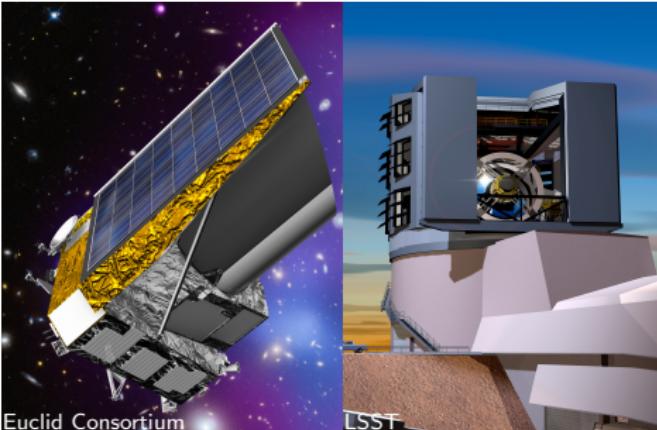


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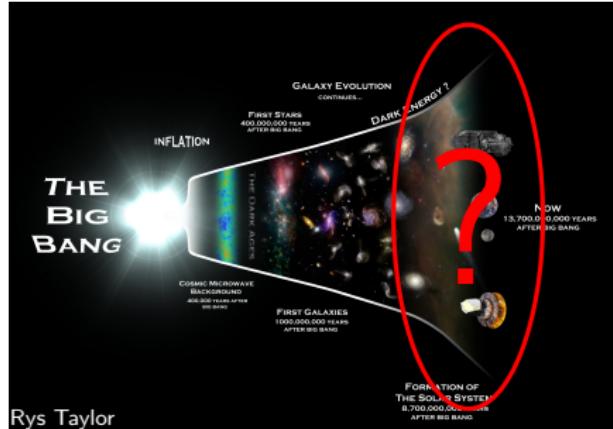
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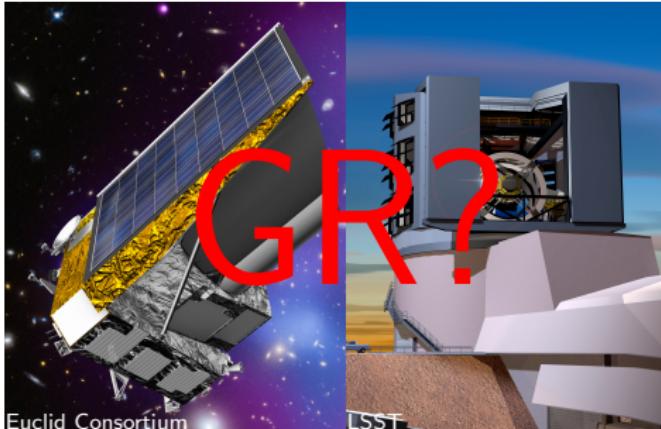
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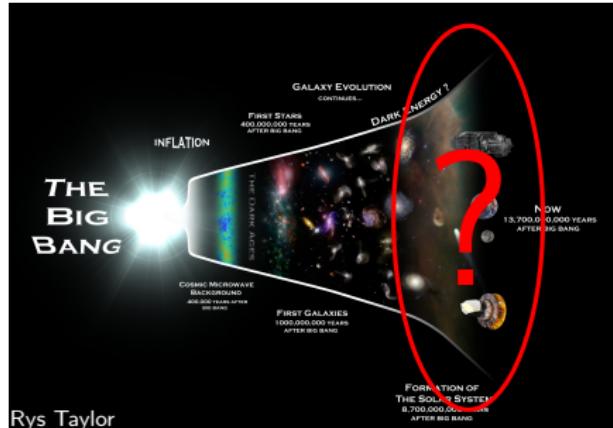
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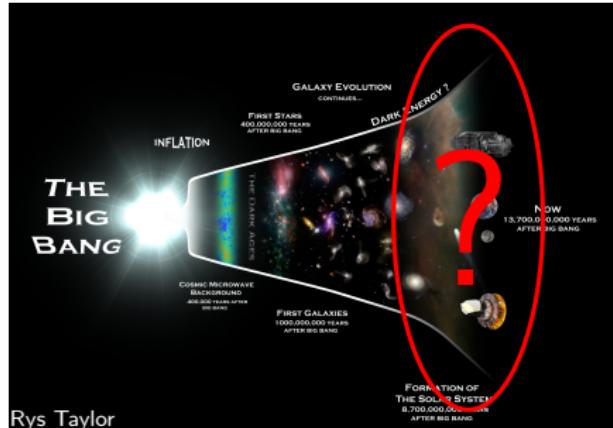
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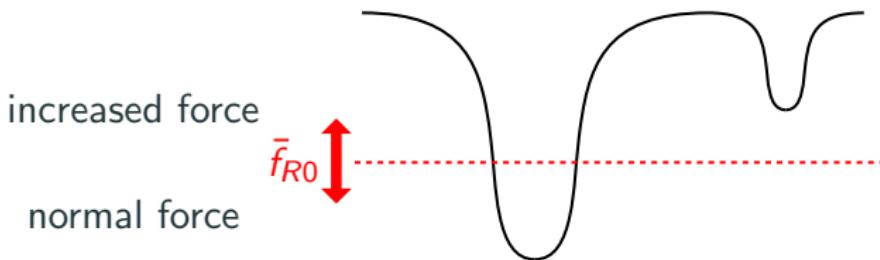
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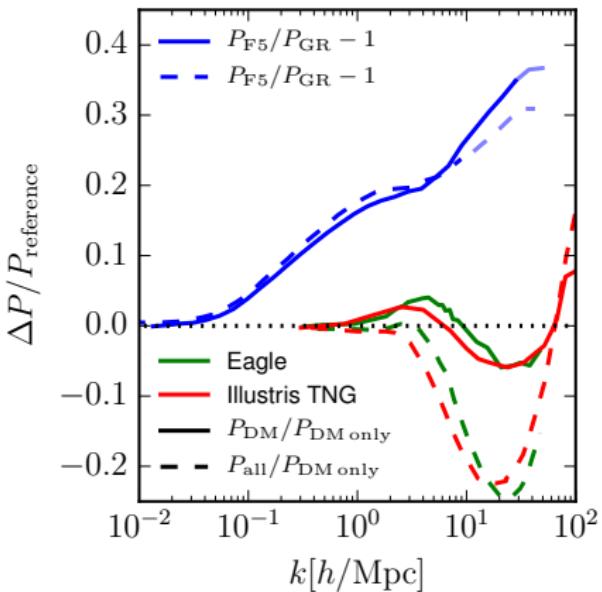
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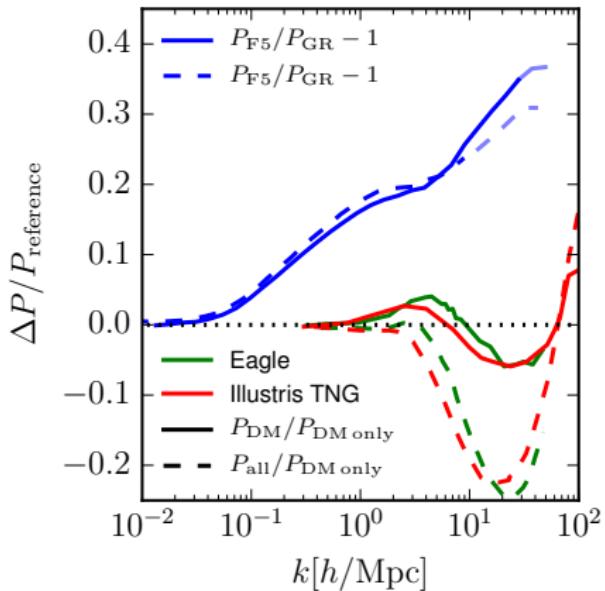


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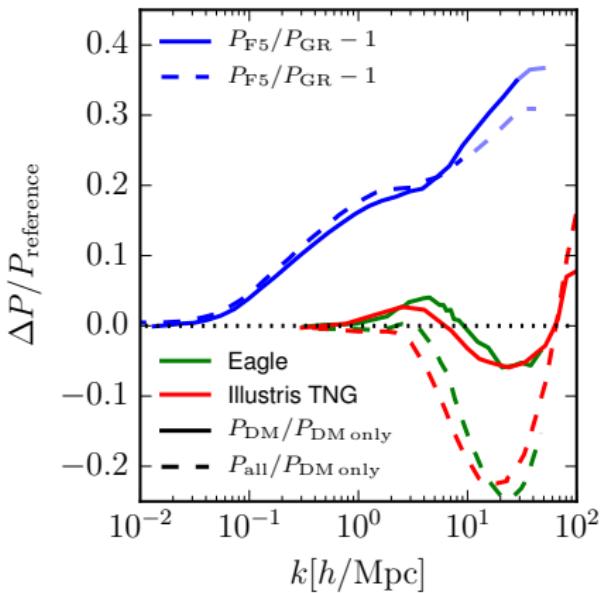
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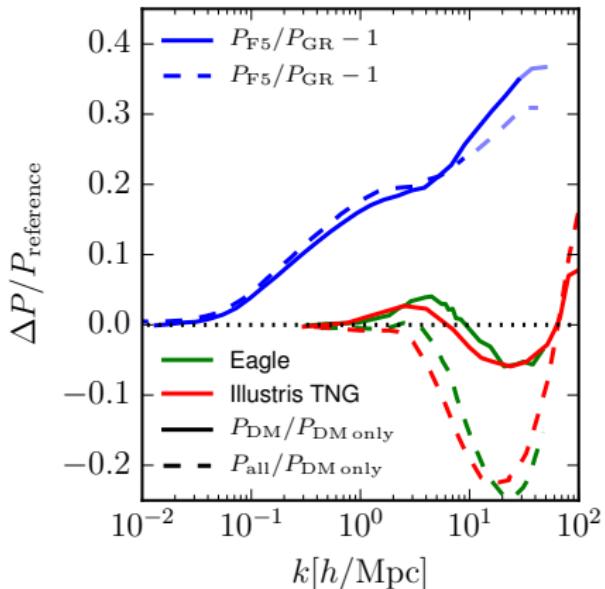
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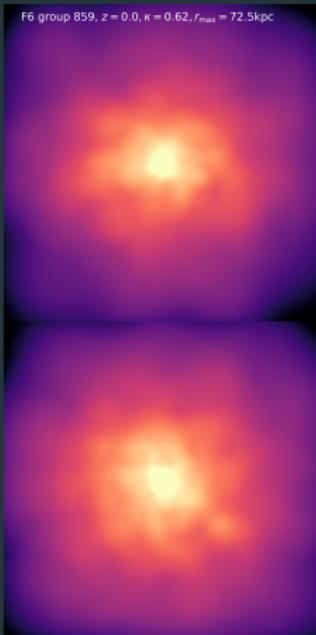
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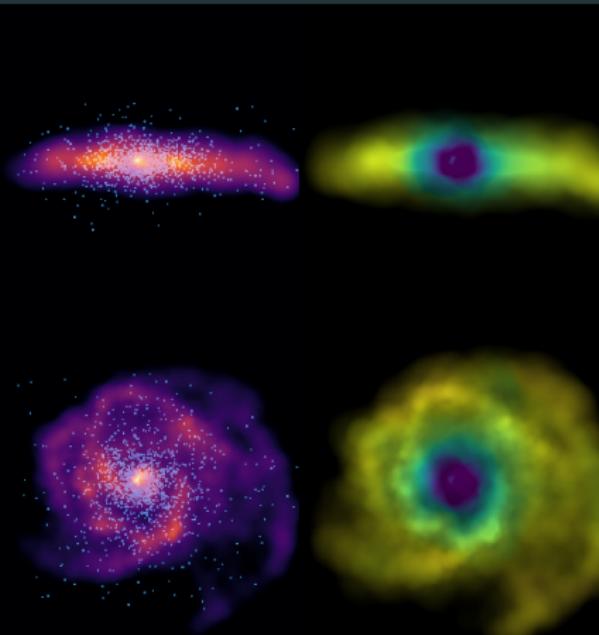
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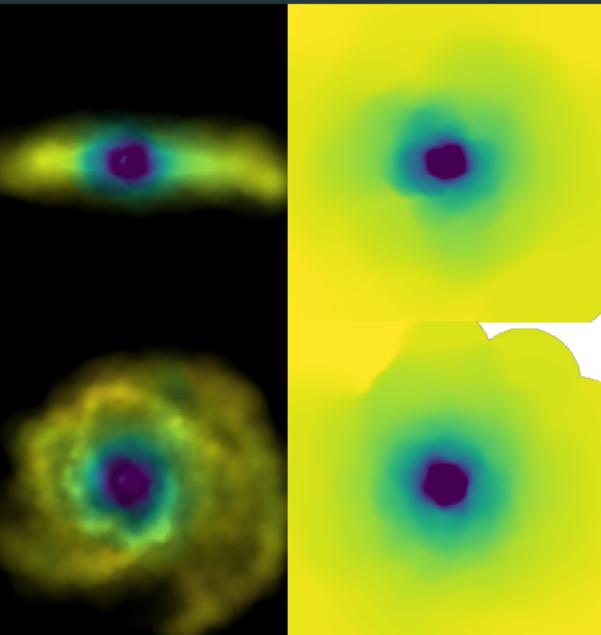
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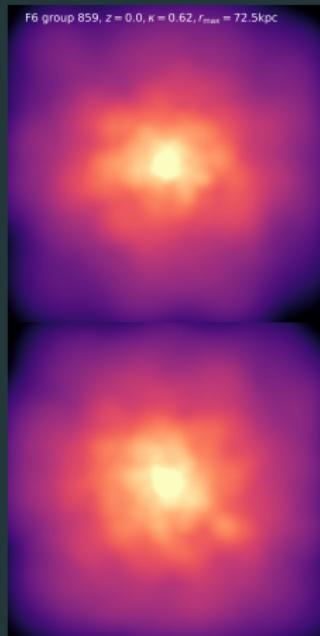


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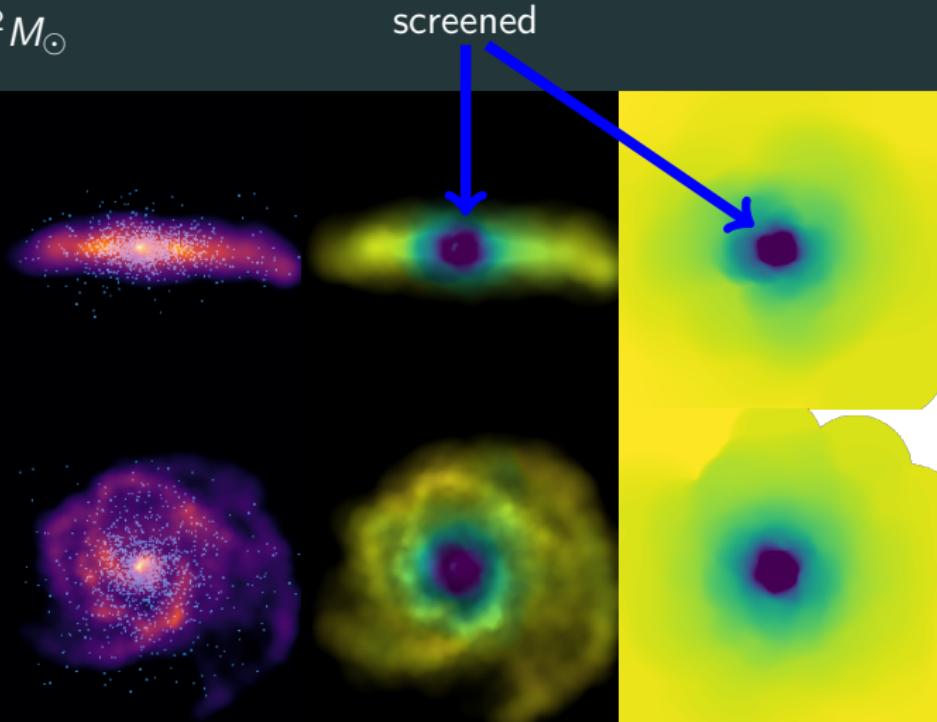
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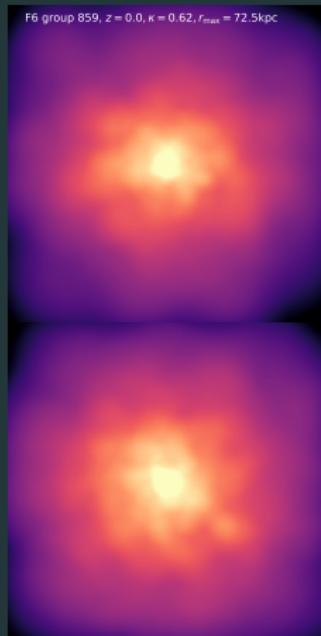


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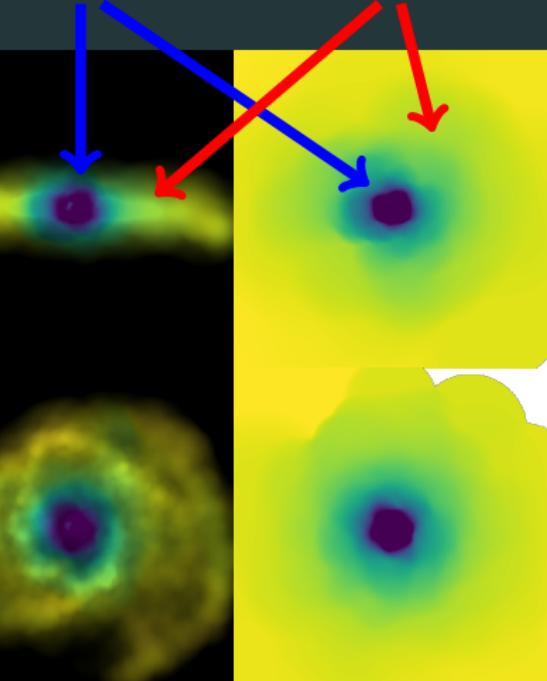
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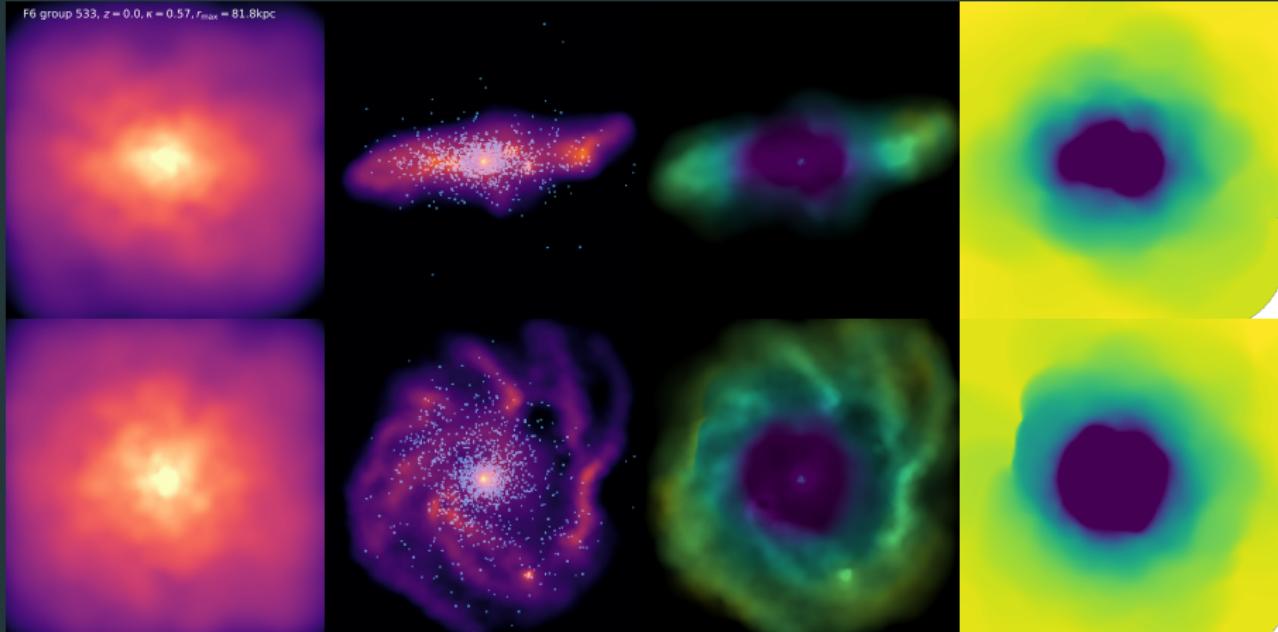
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F6 group 533,  $z = 0.0$ ,  $\kappa = 0.57$ ,  $r_{\text{max}} = 81.8 \text{ kpc}$



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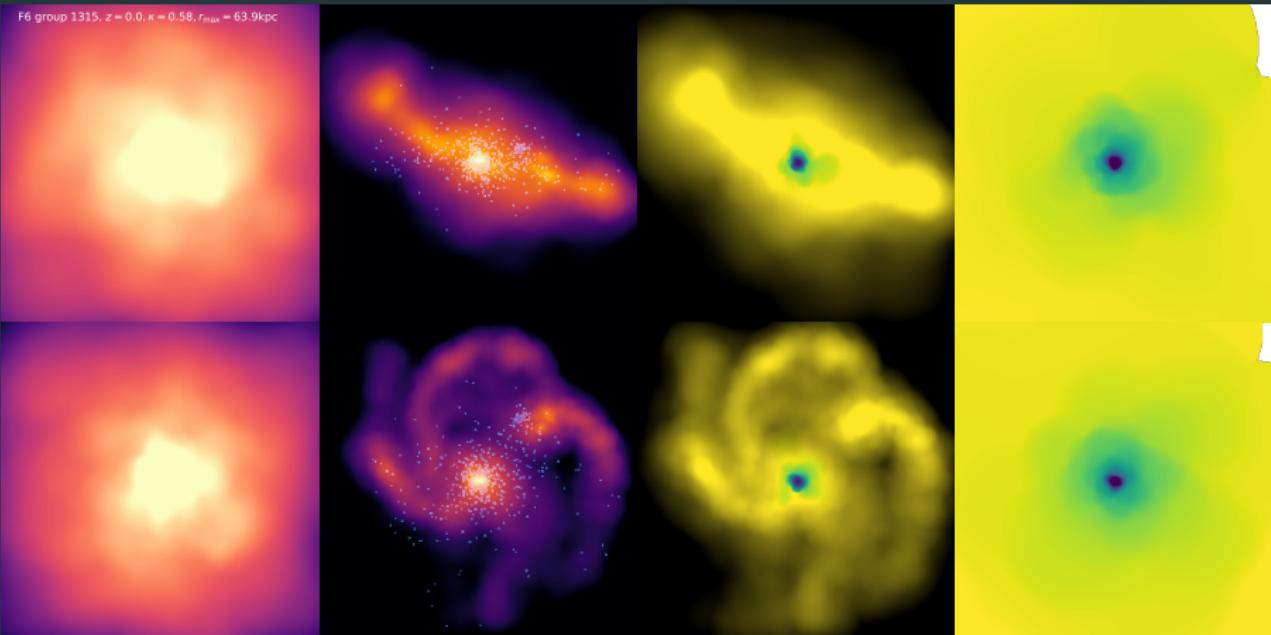
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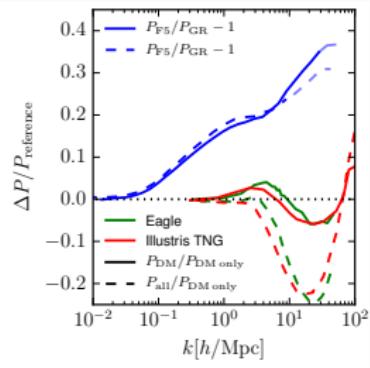
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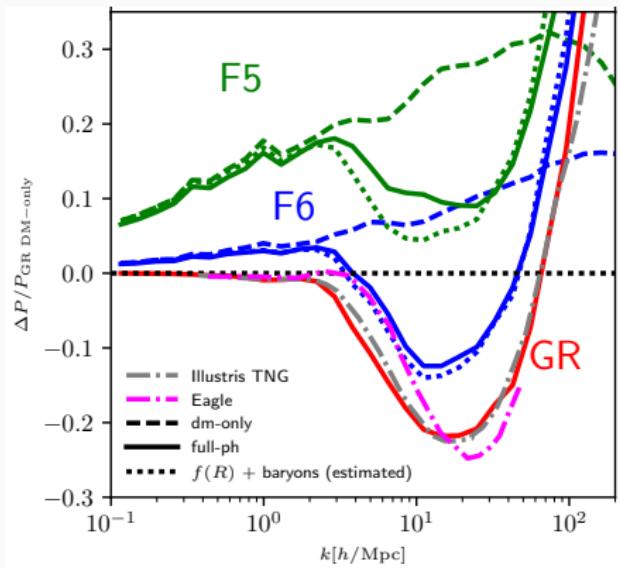
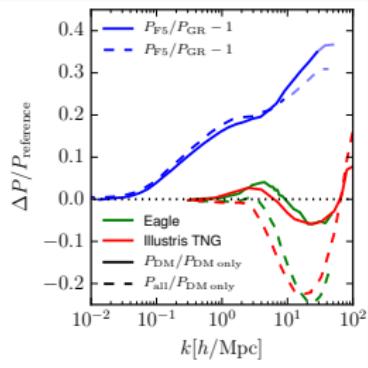
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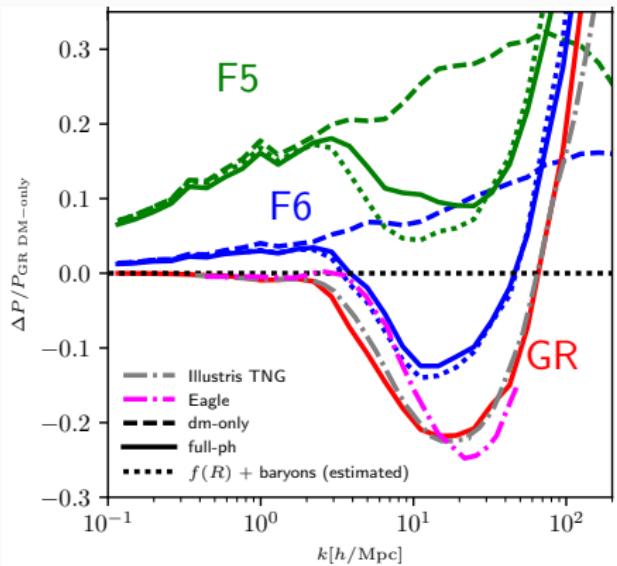
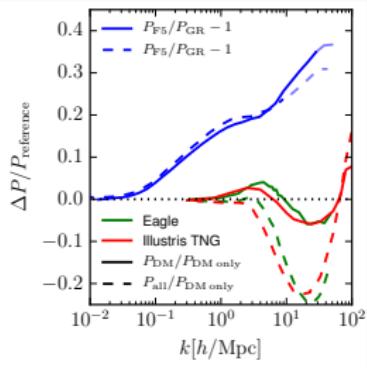
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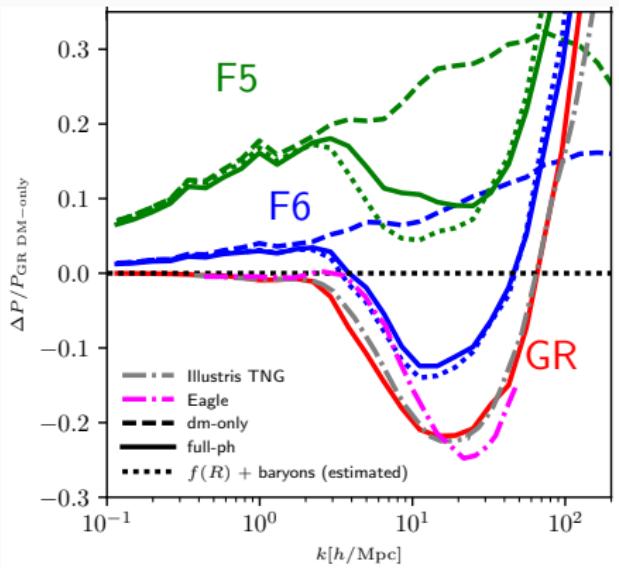
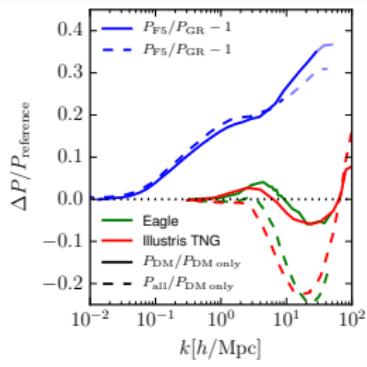


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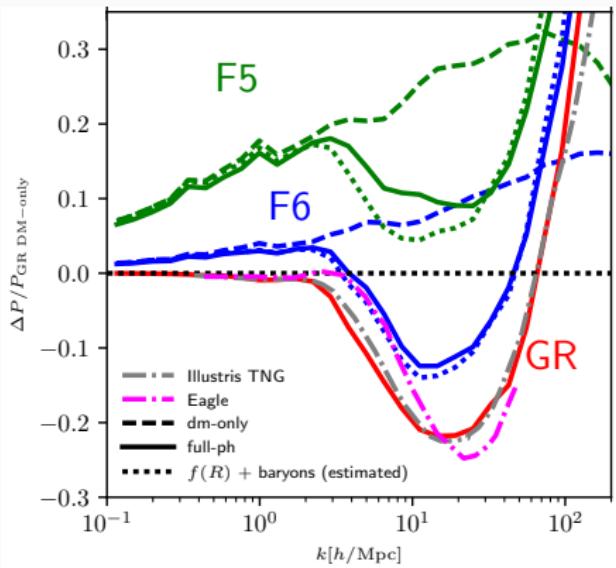
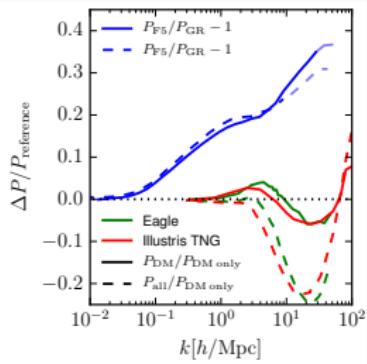
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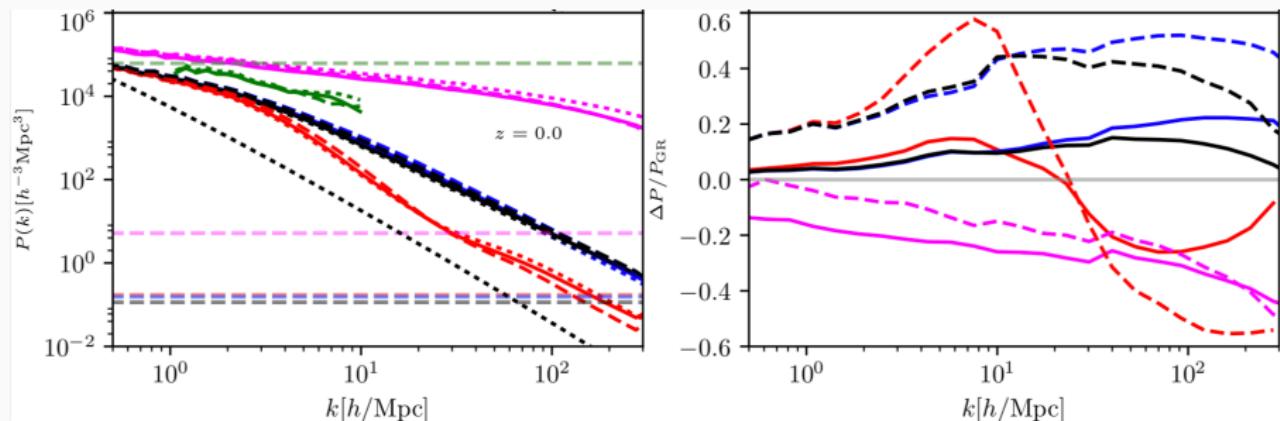
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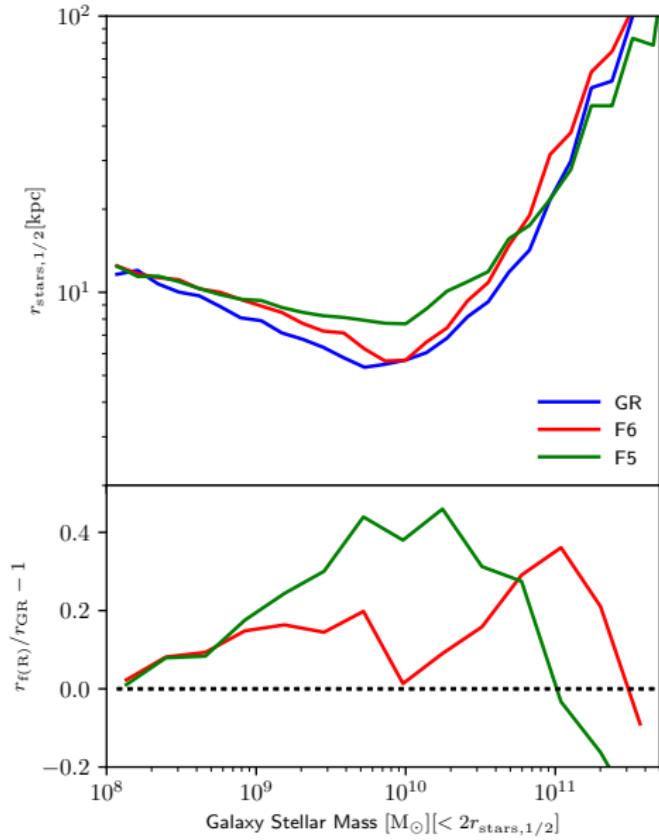
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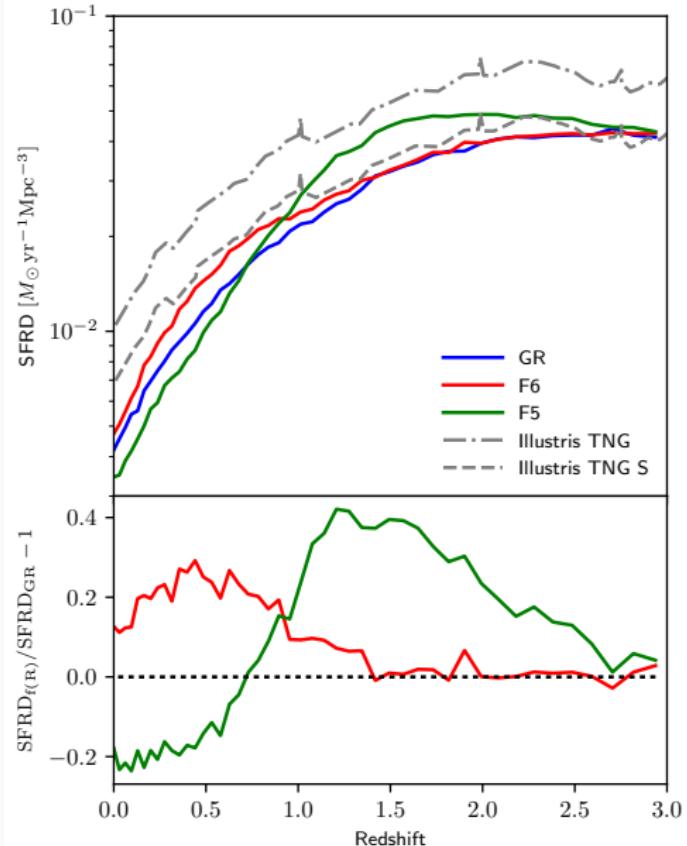
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all matter

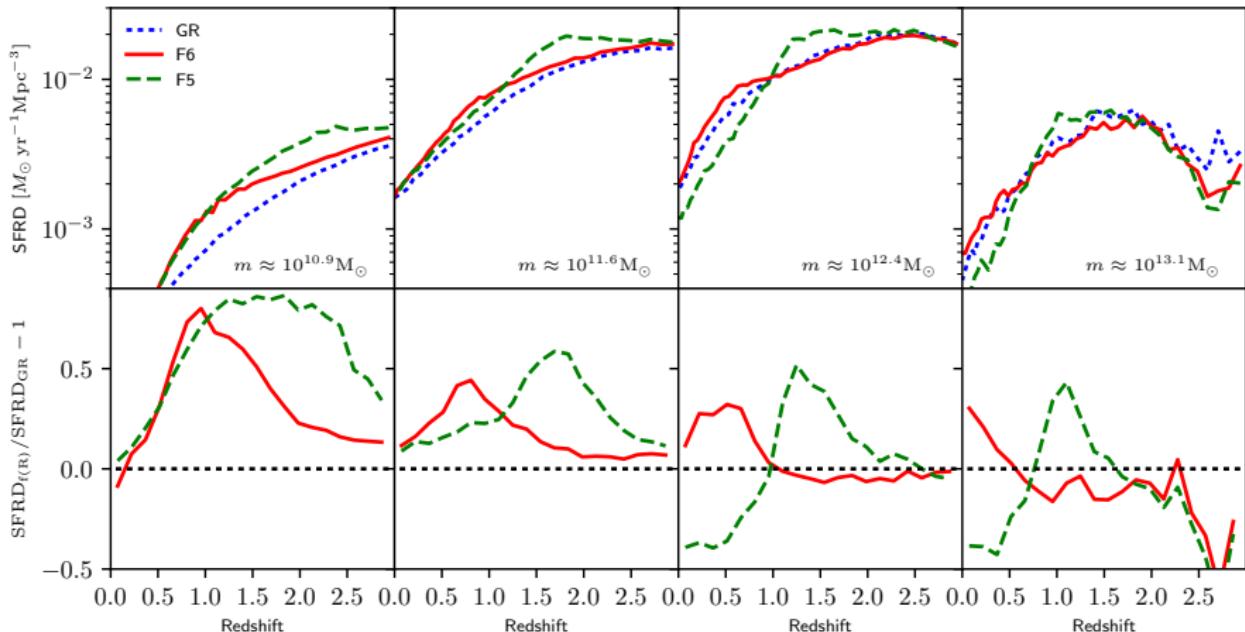
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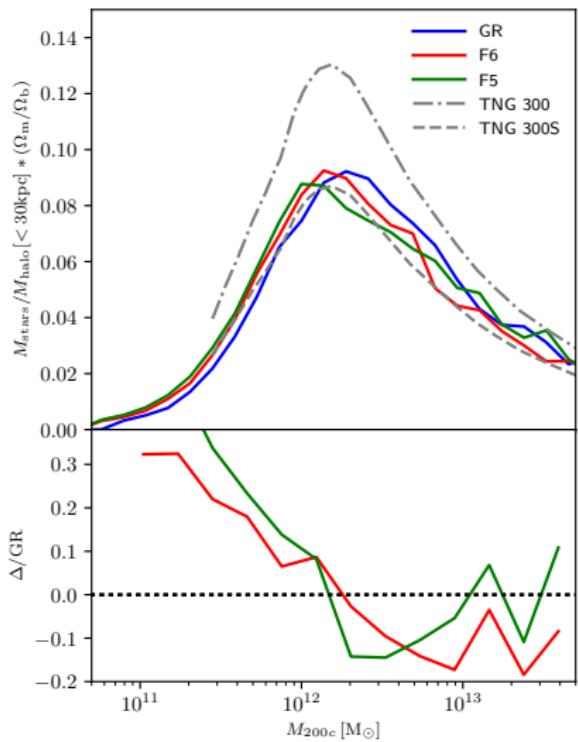
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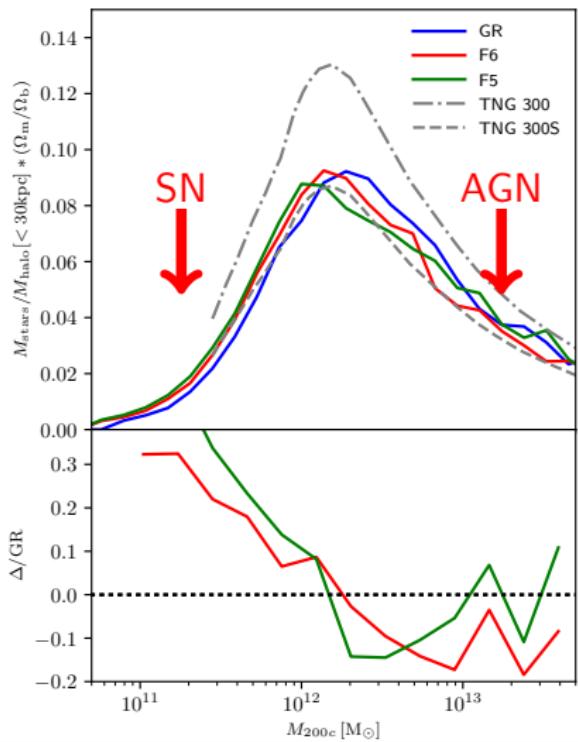
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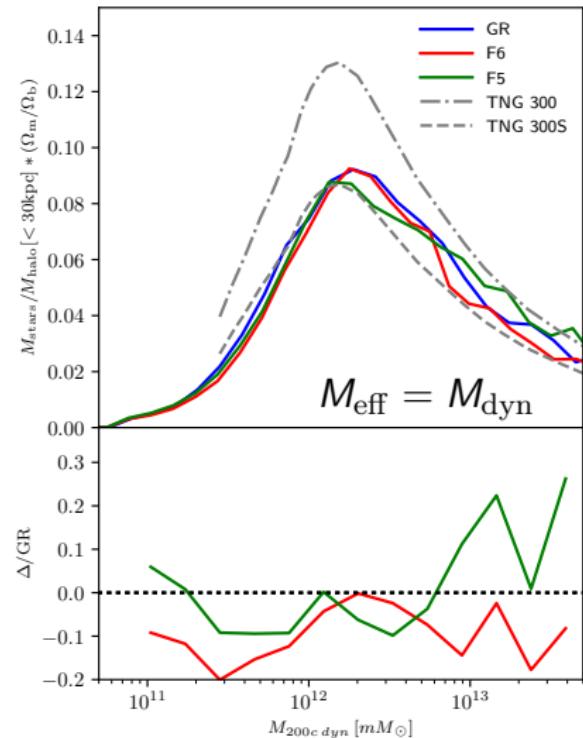
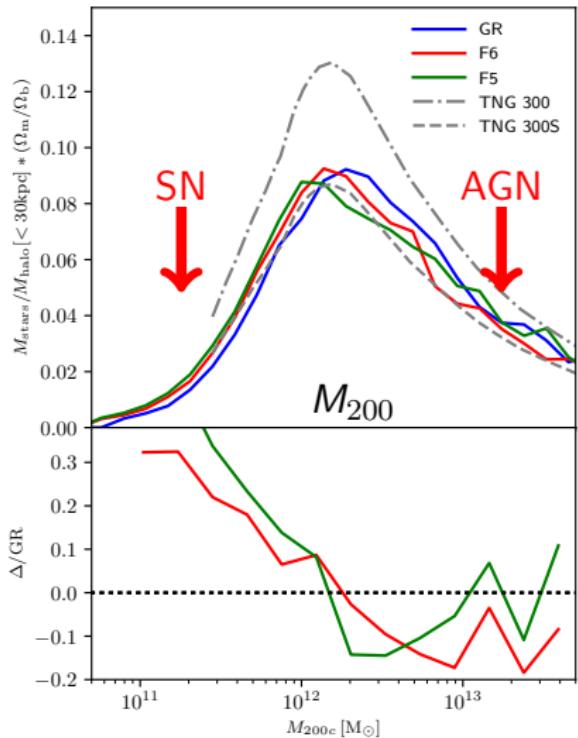
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- $f(R)$ -gravity can be used to test for deviations from GR
- Baryonic effects are important for many observables
- Back-reaction between baryonic feedback and  $f(R)$ -gravity is negligible for F6 but has sizeable effects for F5
- Disk-galaxies can form in  $f(R)$ -gravity
- Enhanced star formation affects galaxy formation



## Current constraints on $f_{R0}$

