

Real-space density profile reconstruction of stacked voids

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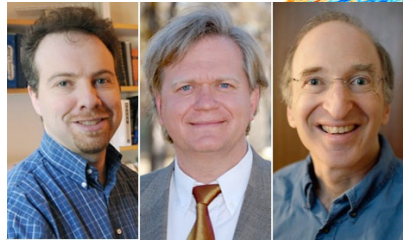
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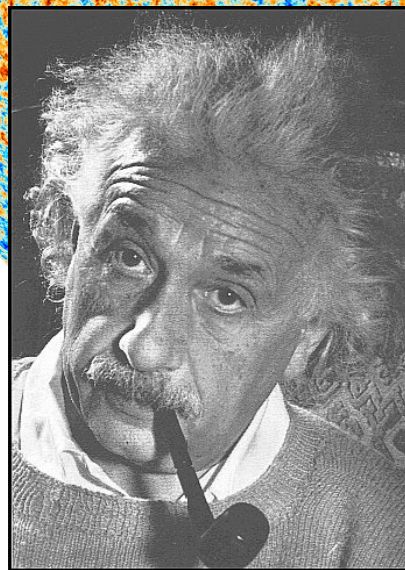
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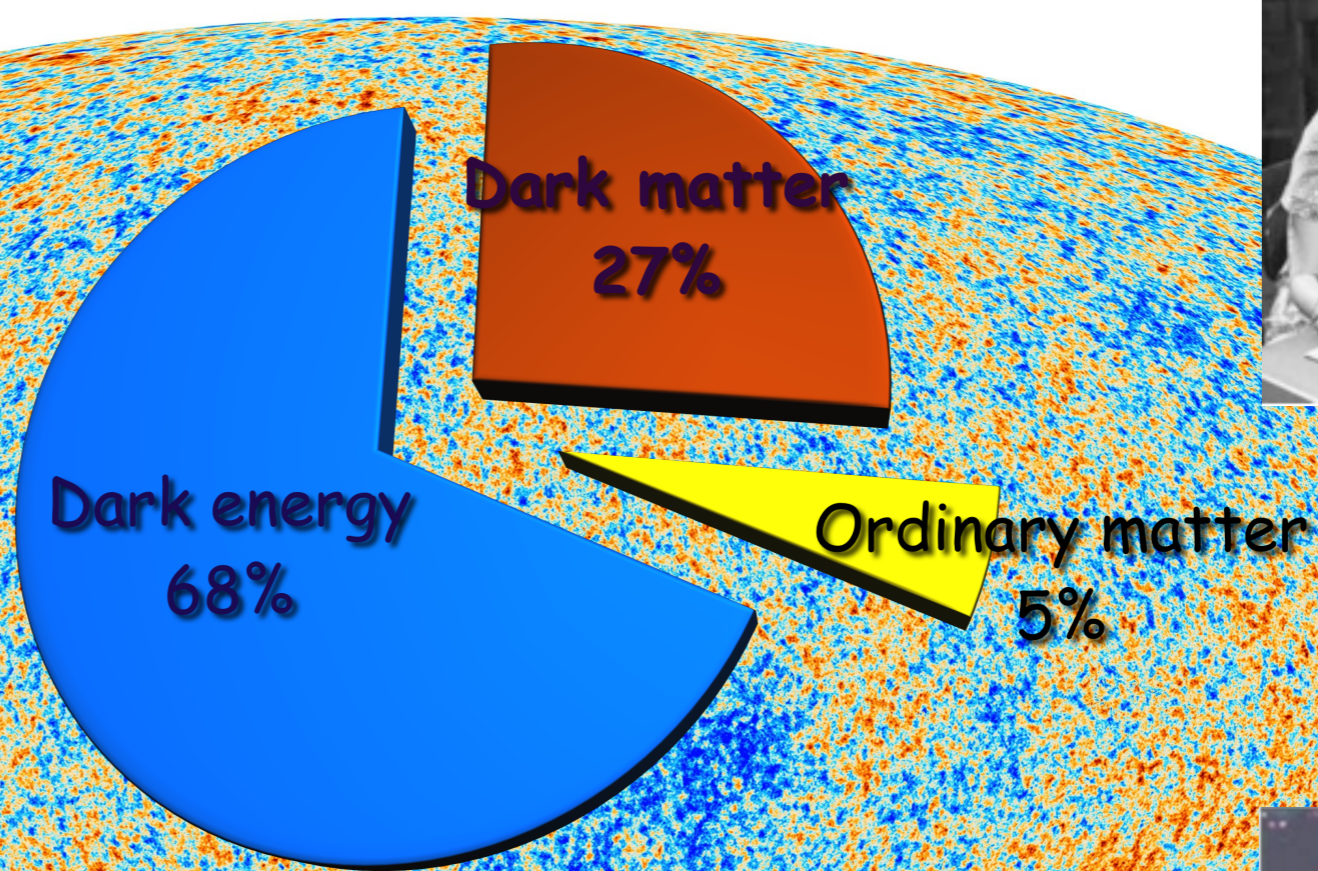
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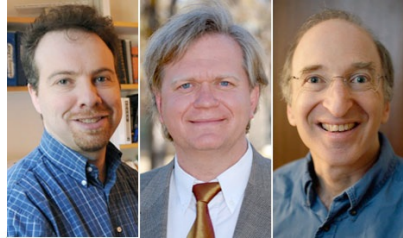
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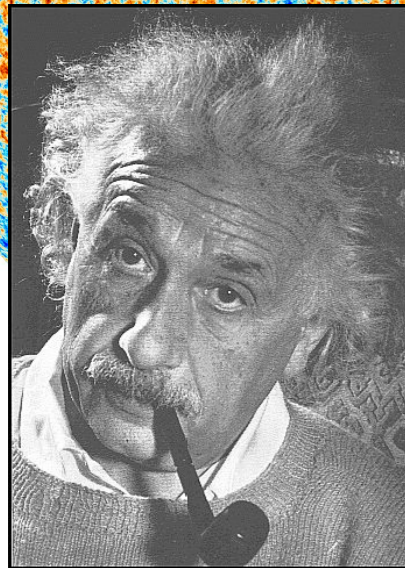
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Ordinary matter
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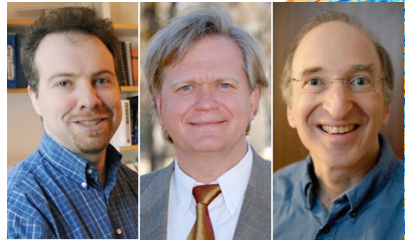
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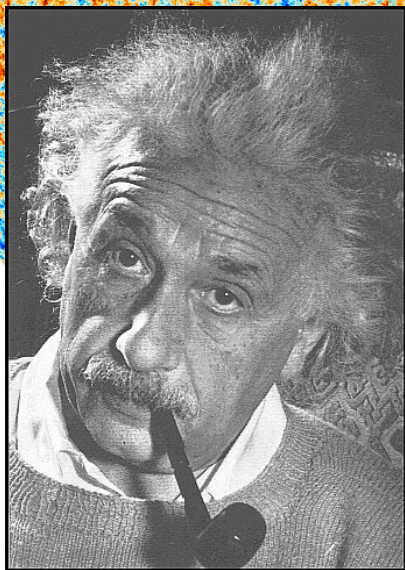
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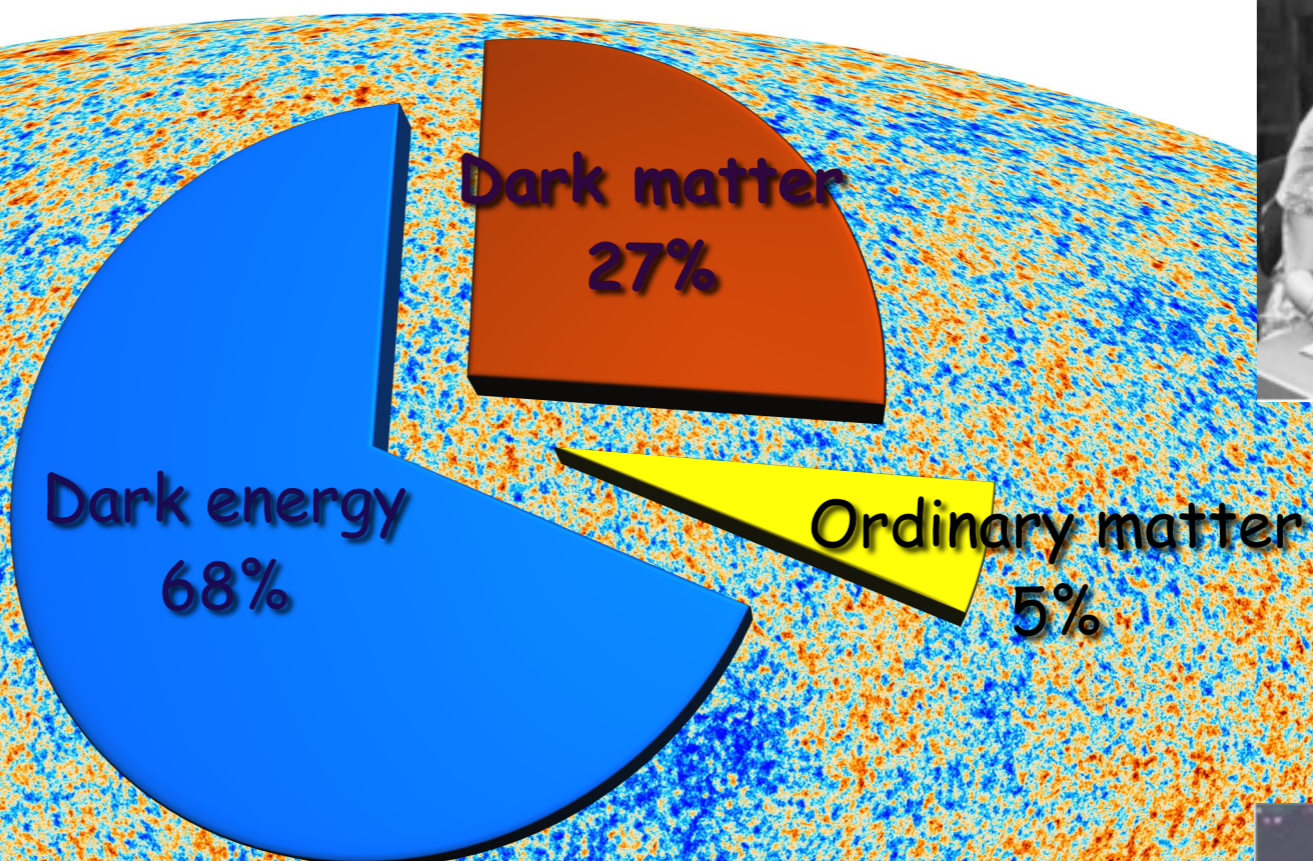
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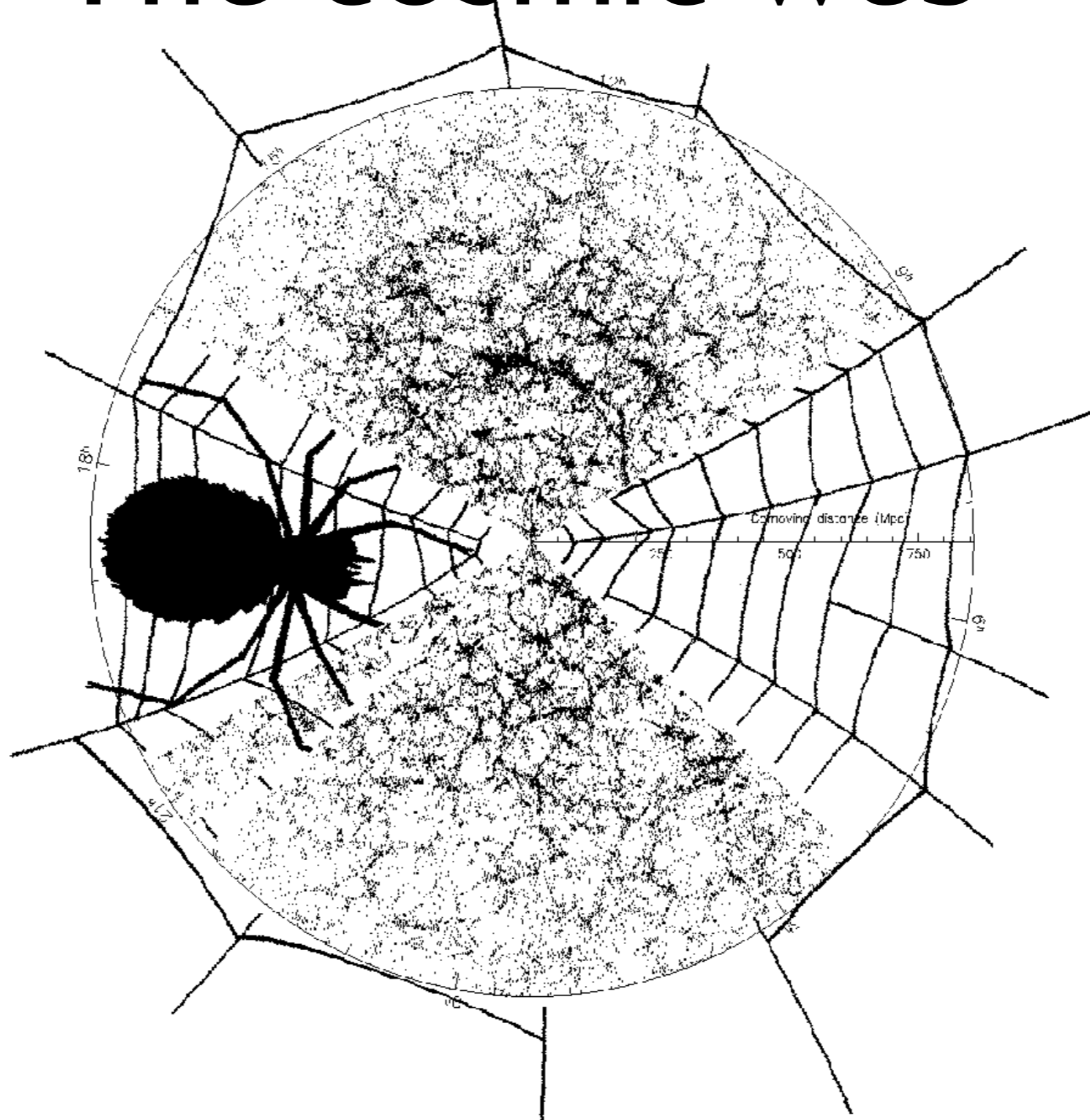
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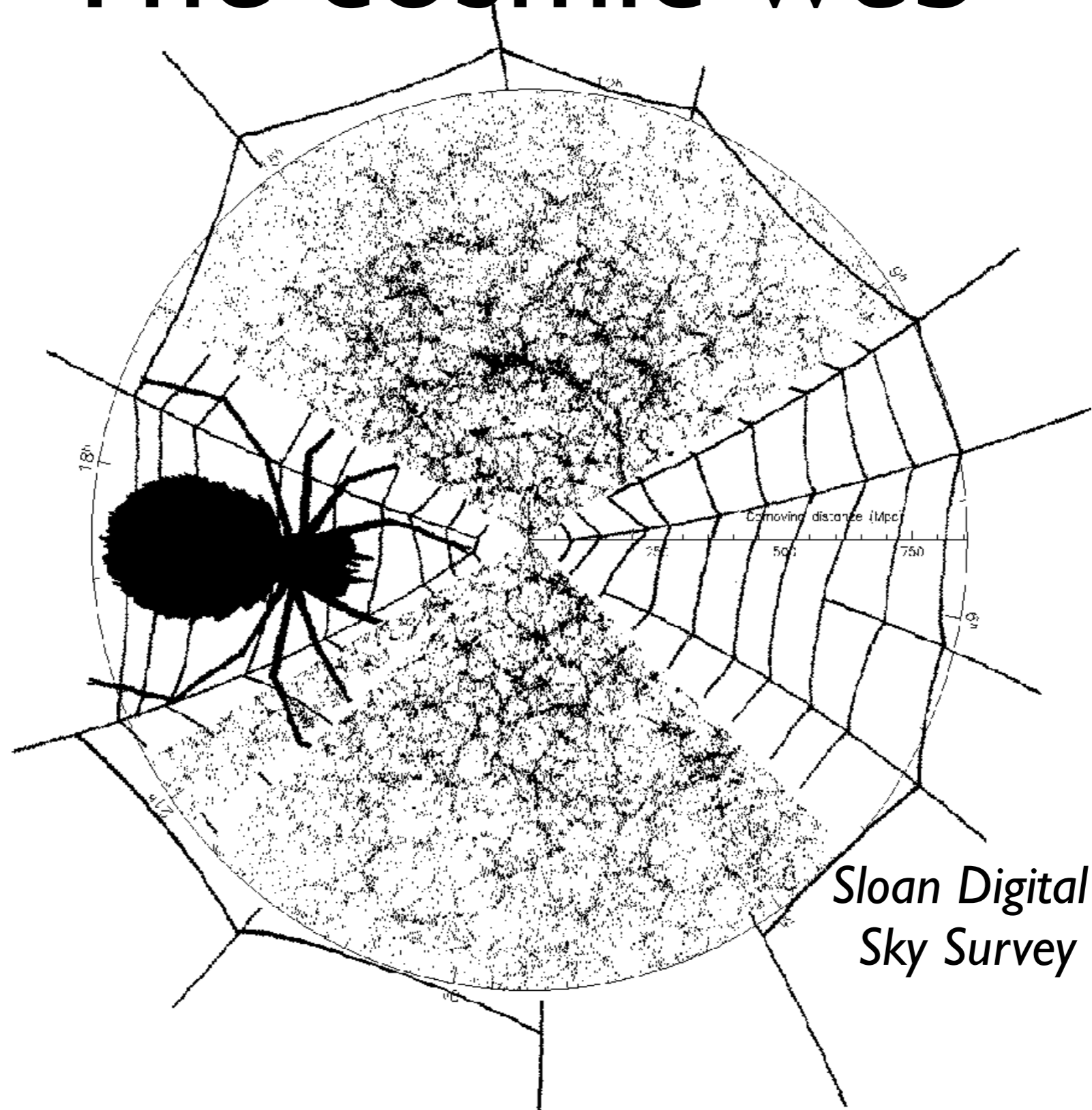
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The study of large scale structures is a powerful tool
to understand the composition of the universe.

The cosmic web



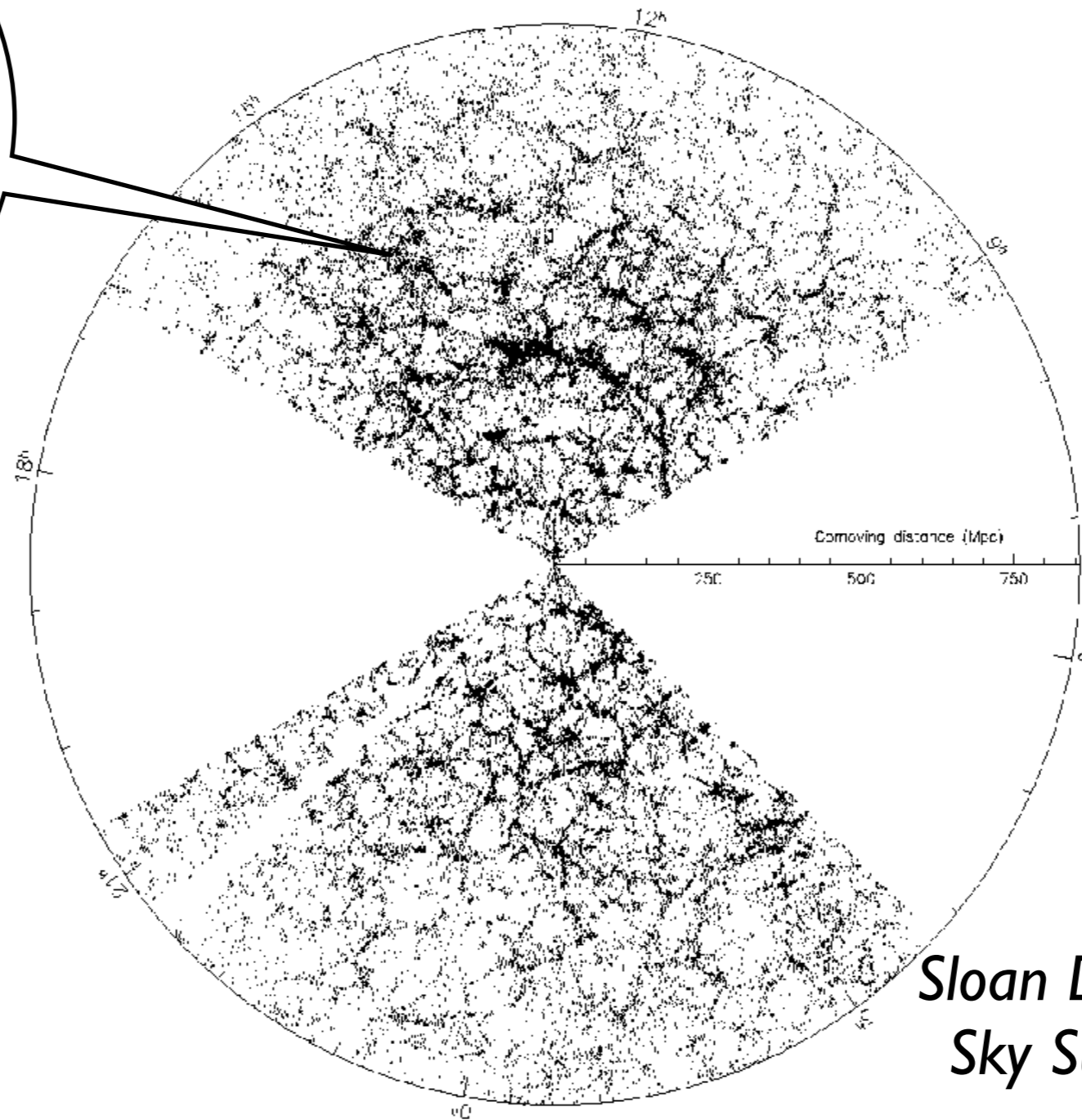
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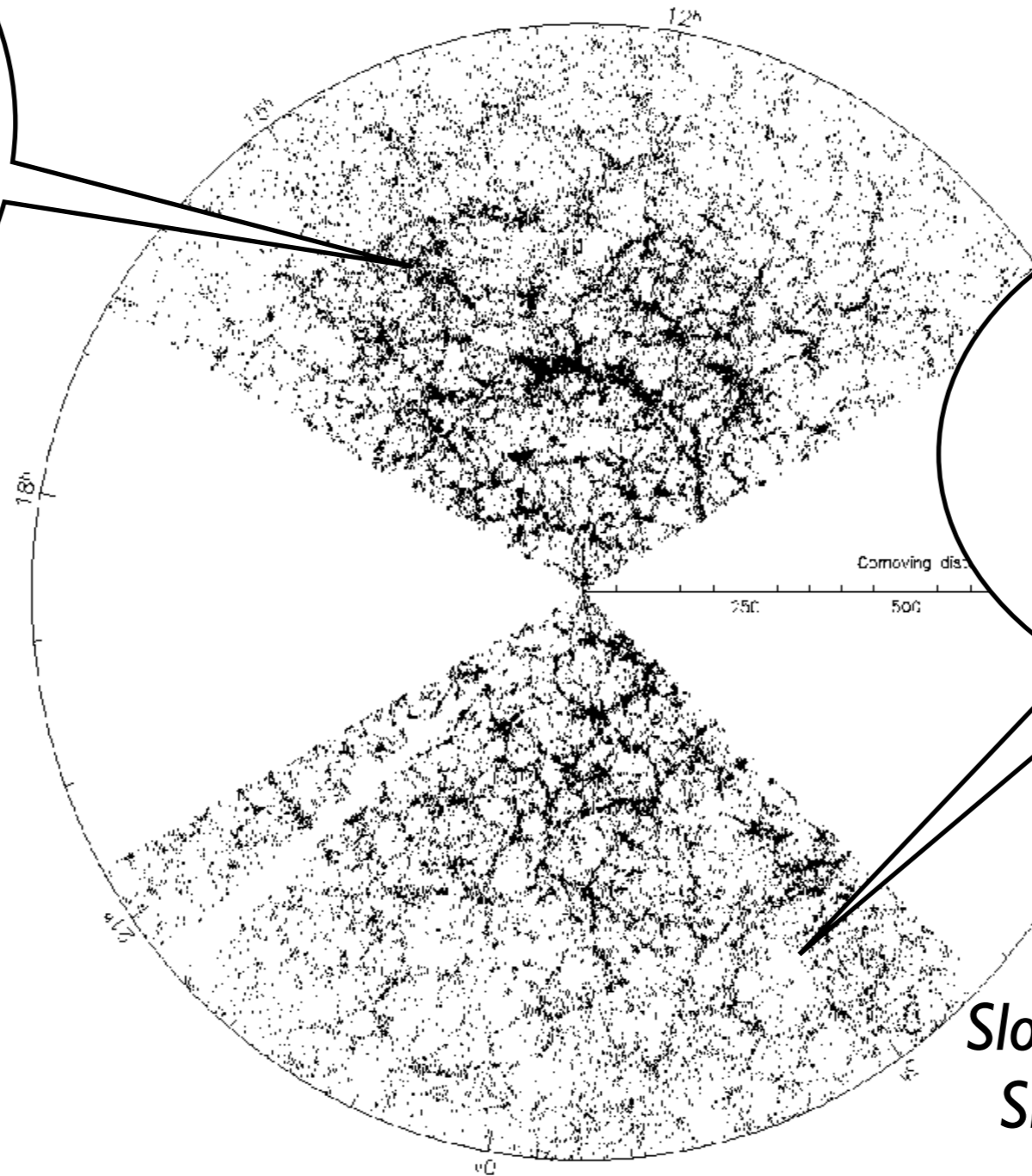
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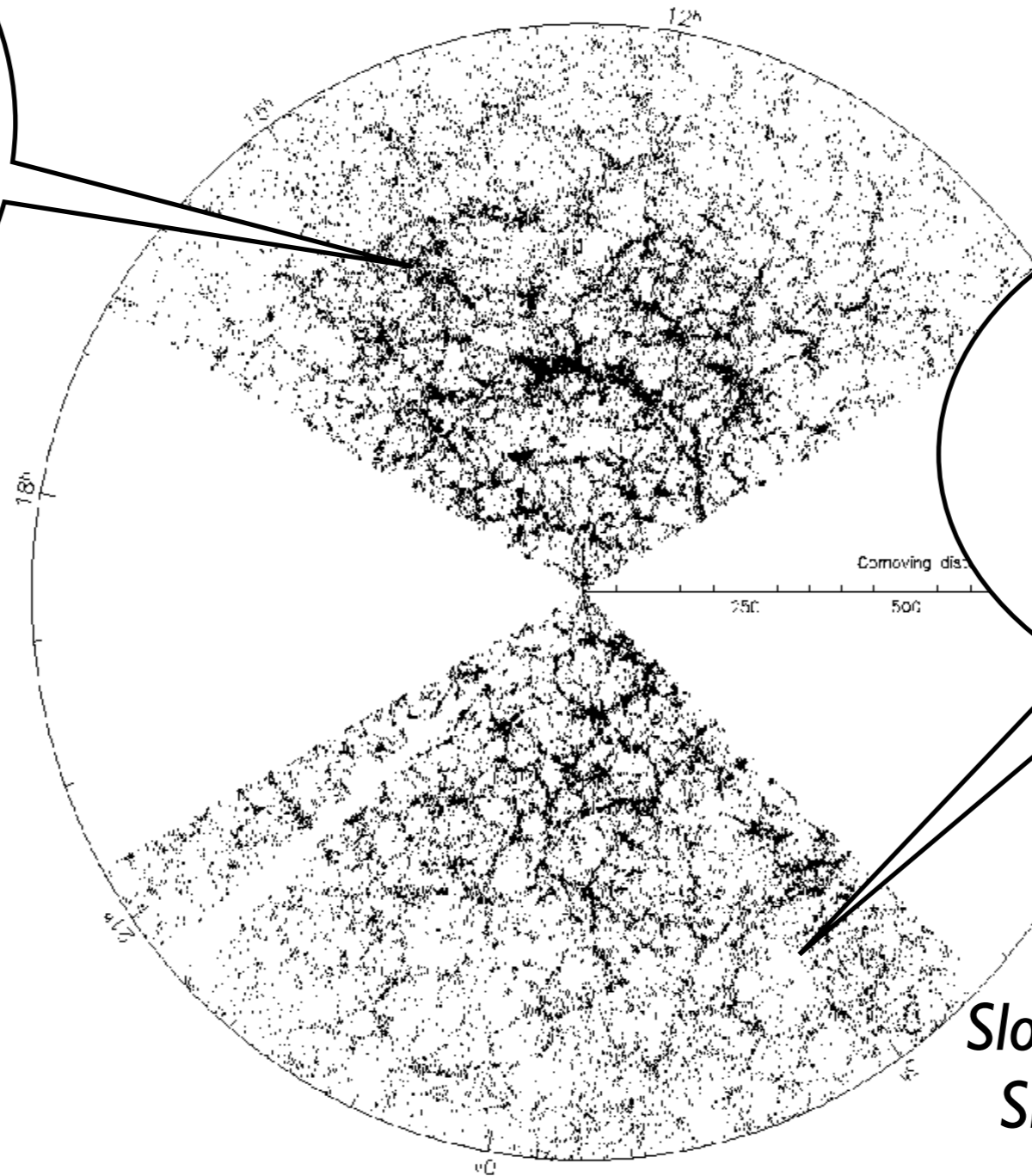


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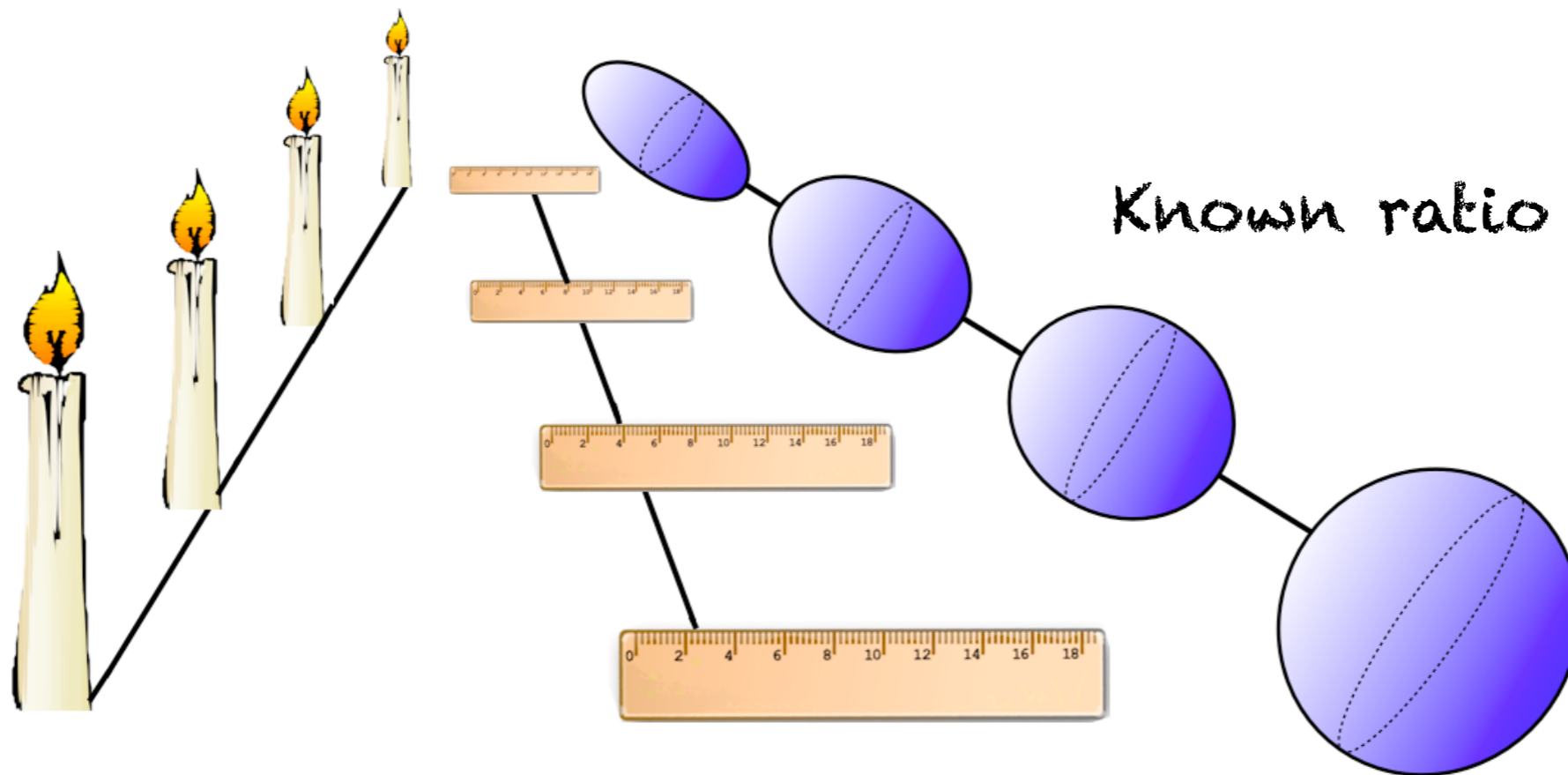
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Voids => different shapes but **spherical** average
shape in an isotropic and homogeneous universe!

Sphericity is the key feature!

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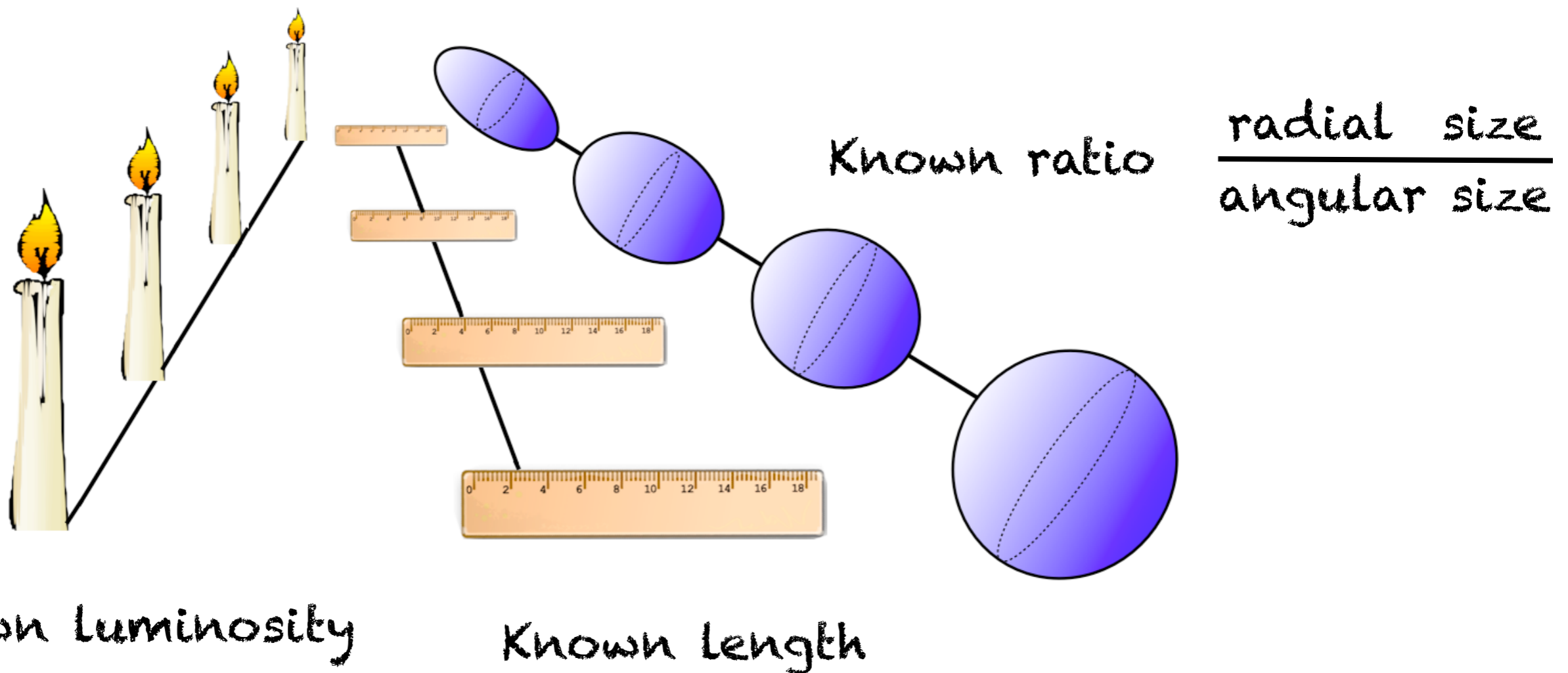
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Known length

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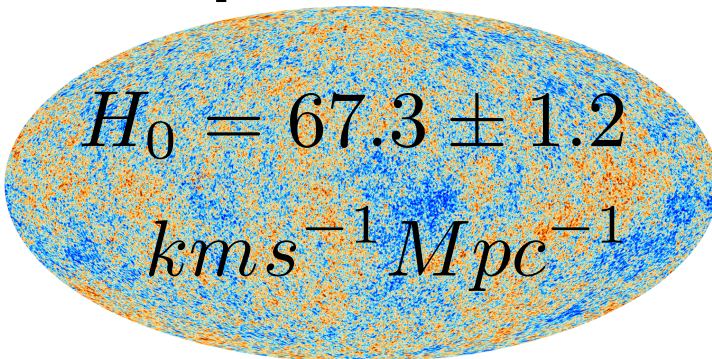


This test can be applied to VOIDS !!

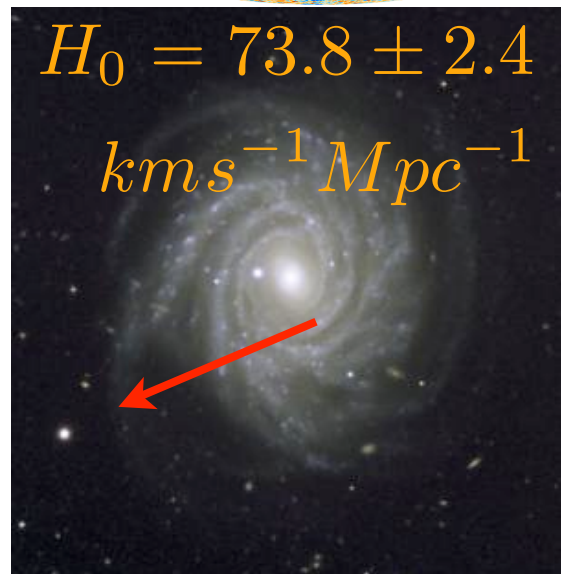
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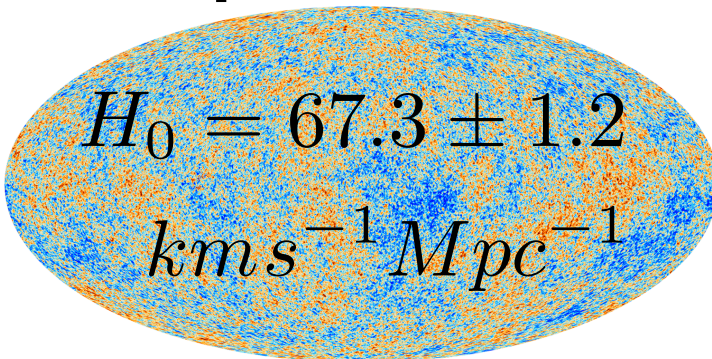


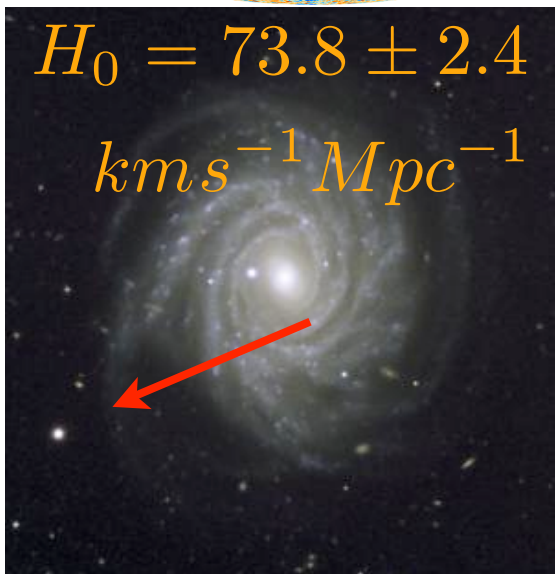
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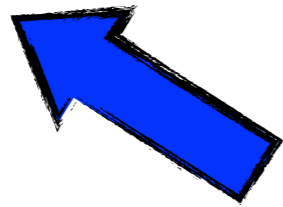

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cosmological
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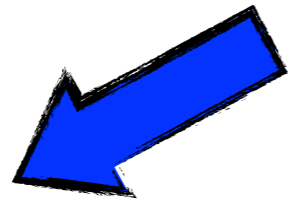


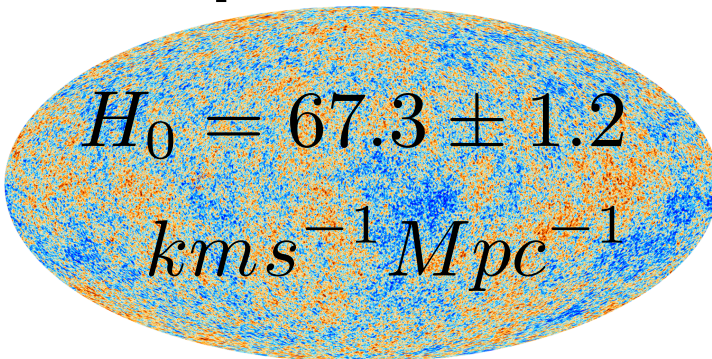
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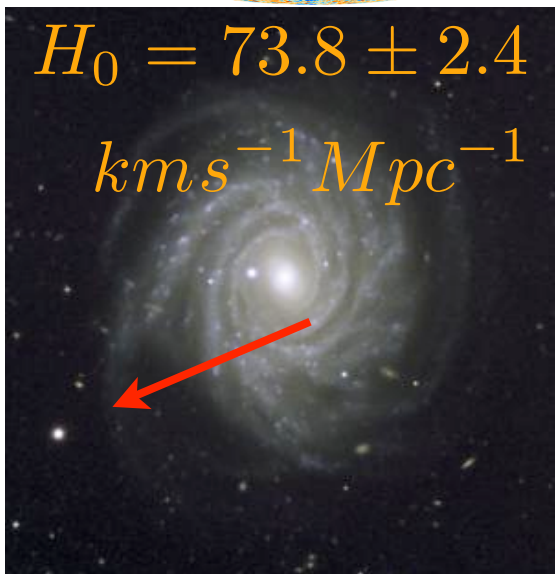
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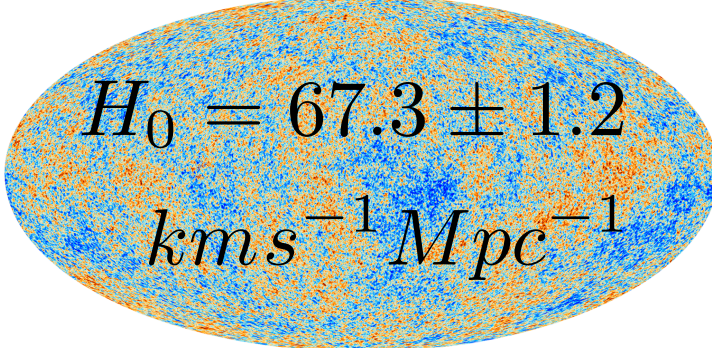
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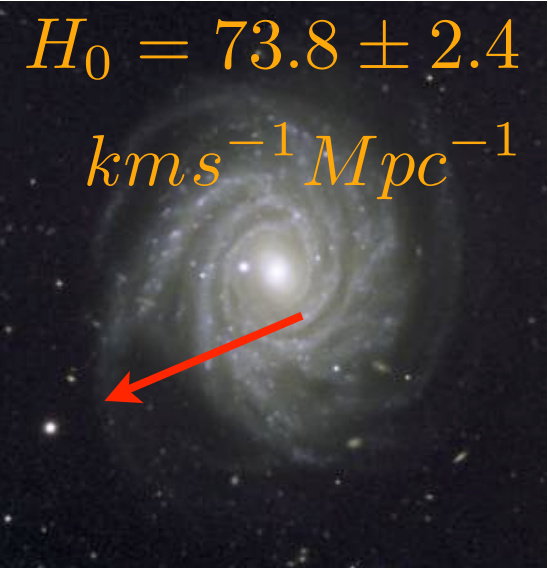
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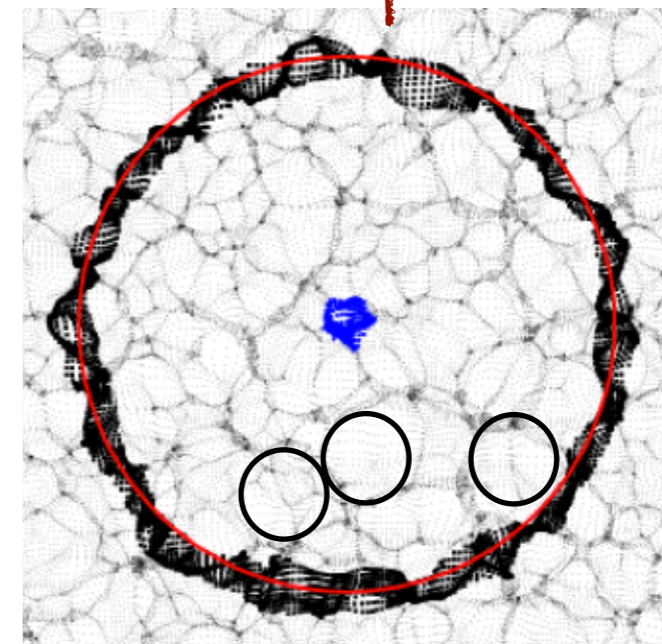
DE (FOM one order of
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BAO compared to void

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*More
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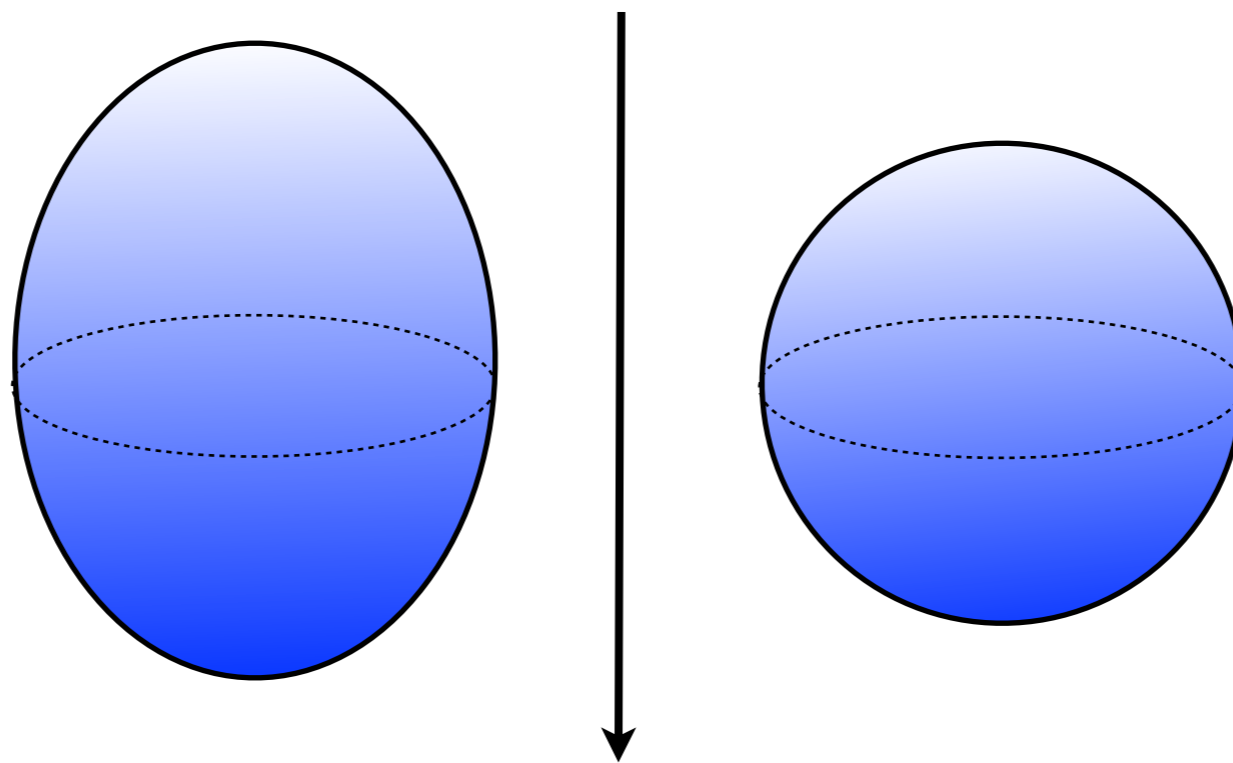
Credit: Padmanabhan et al. 2012 (ArXiv: 1202.0090)

How to determine the void spherical density profile?

Line of sight

Peculiar velocities contribute to redshift

DISTORT the void density profile.



Improve AP test by improving shape

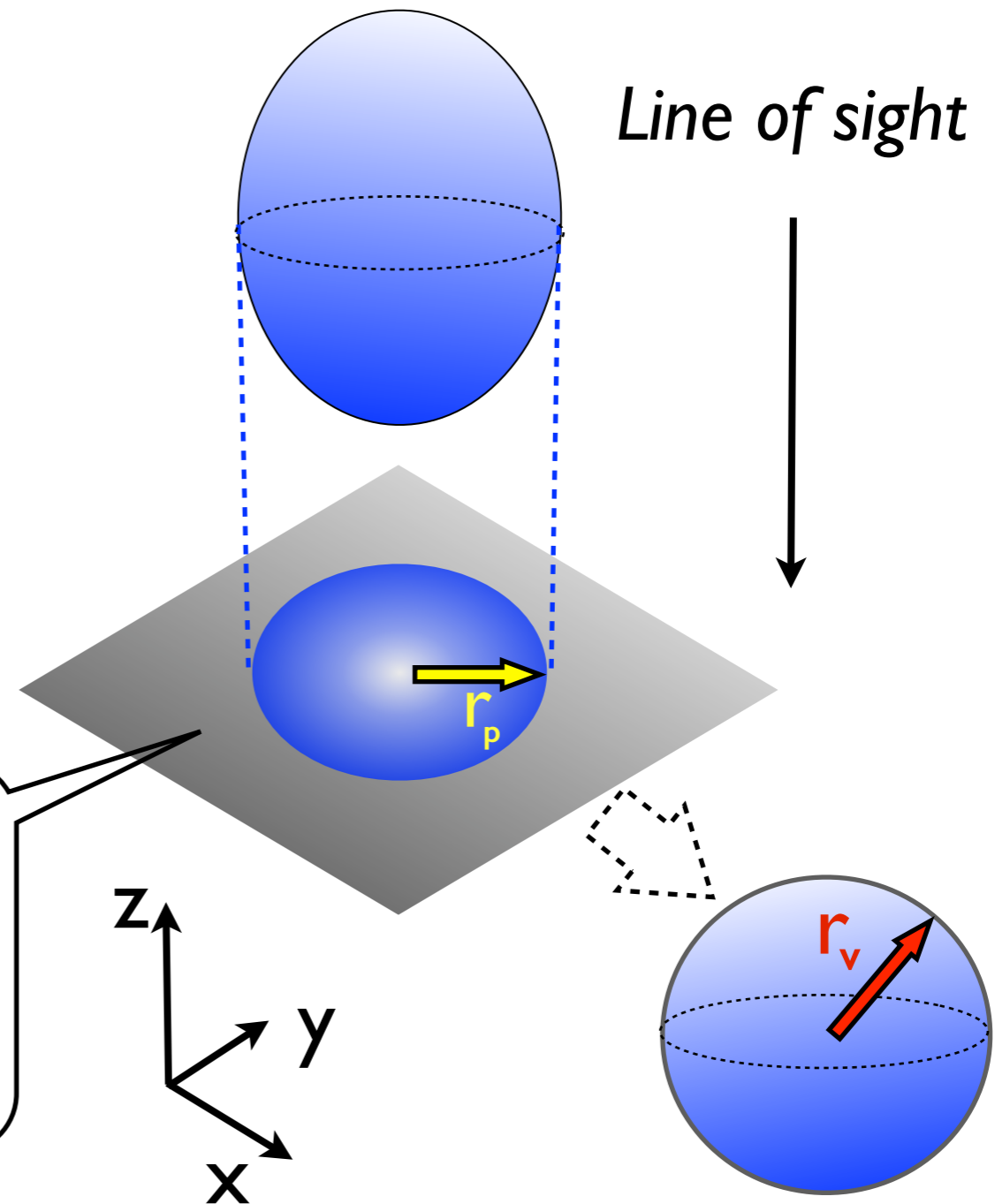
→ **We must EXCLUDE distortion!**

The method to get the spherical profile

Key idea

Projecting the 3D distribution along the line of sight, the contribution of peculiar velocities disappears.

From this projection we reconstruct a 3D profile without the contribution of peculiar velocities.

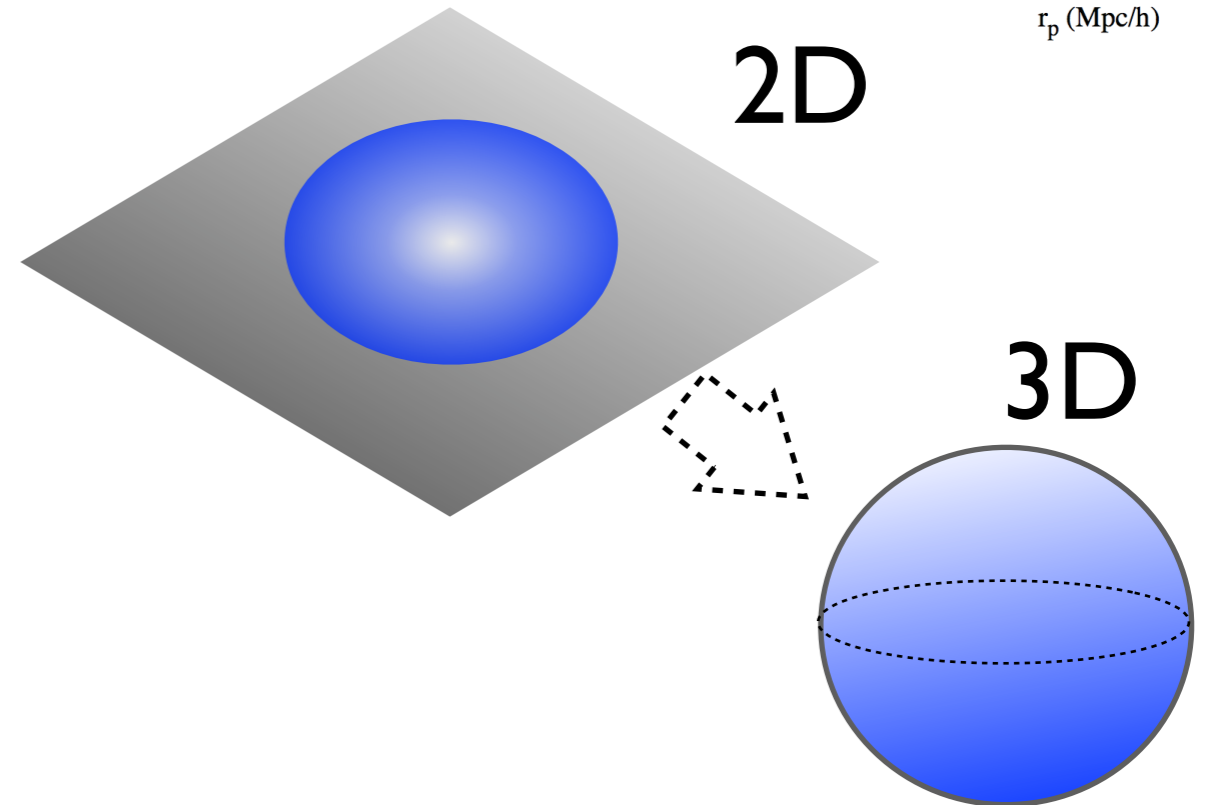
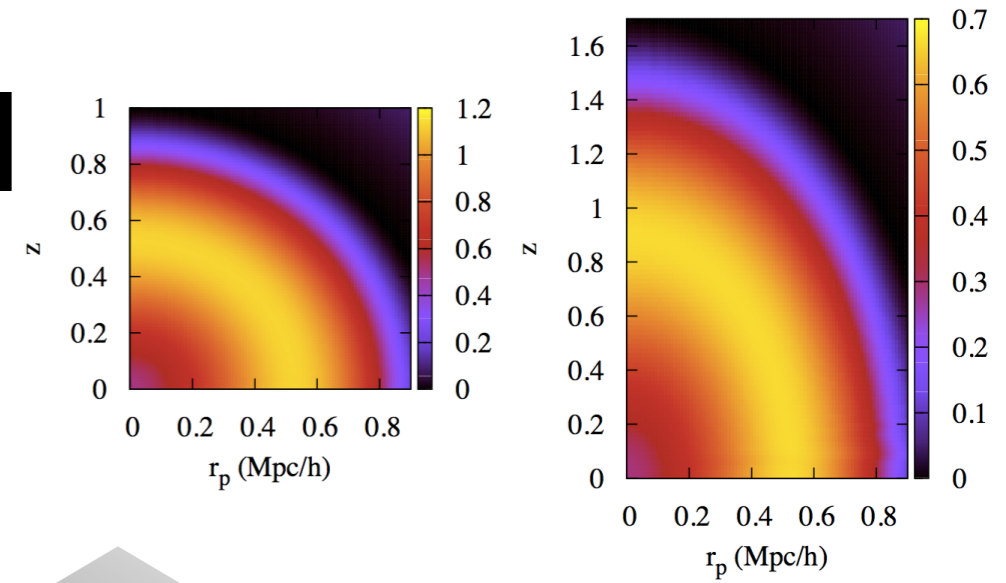


We can obtain the SPHERICAL density profile of stacked voids in real space.

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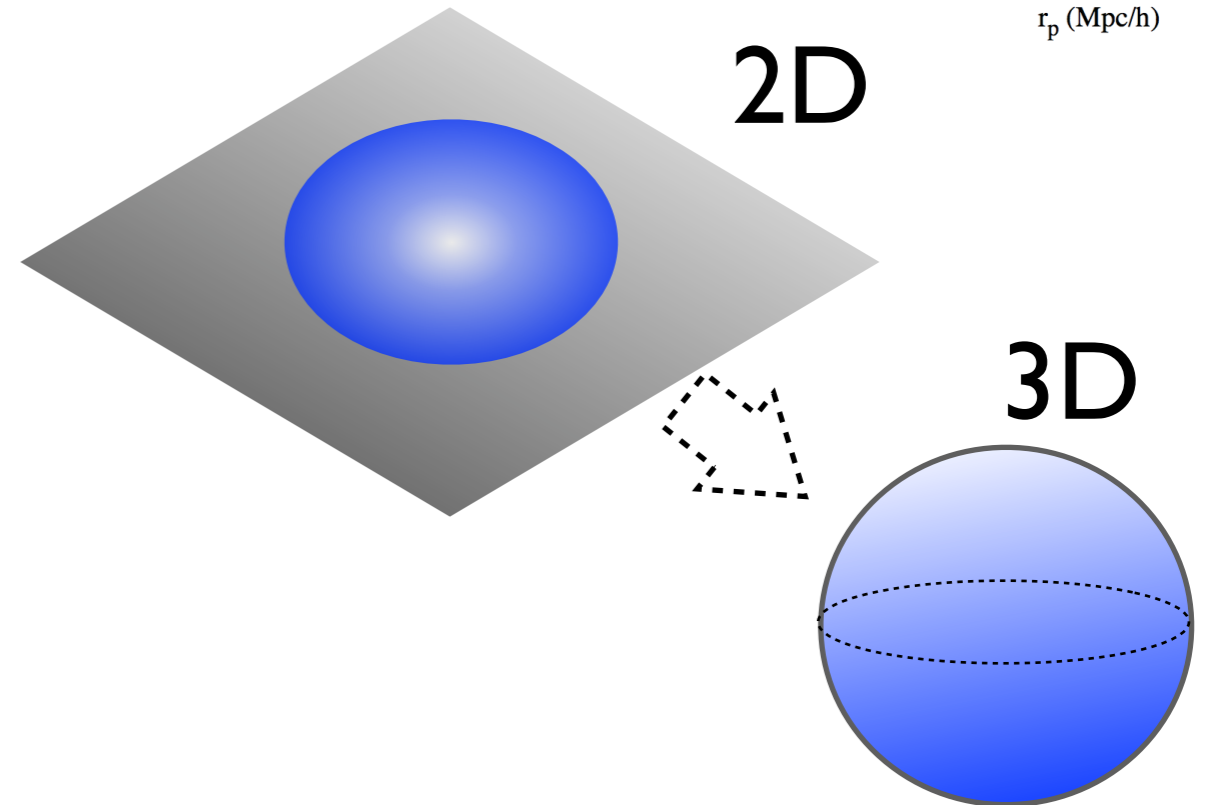
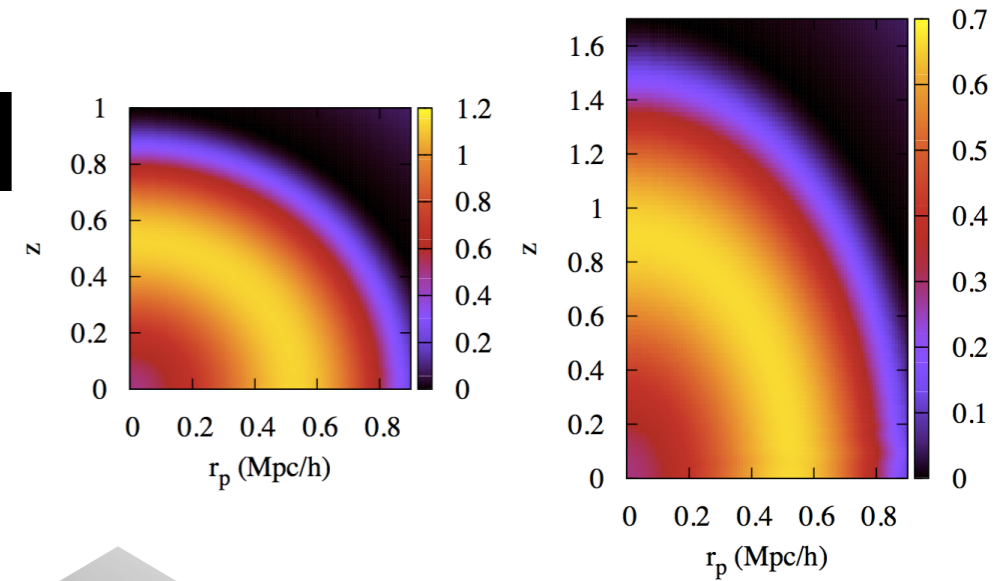


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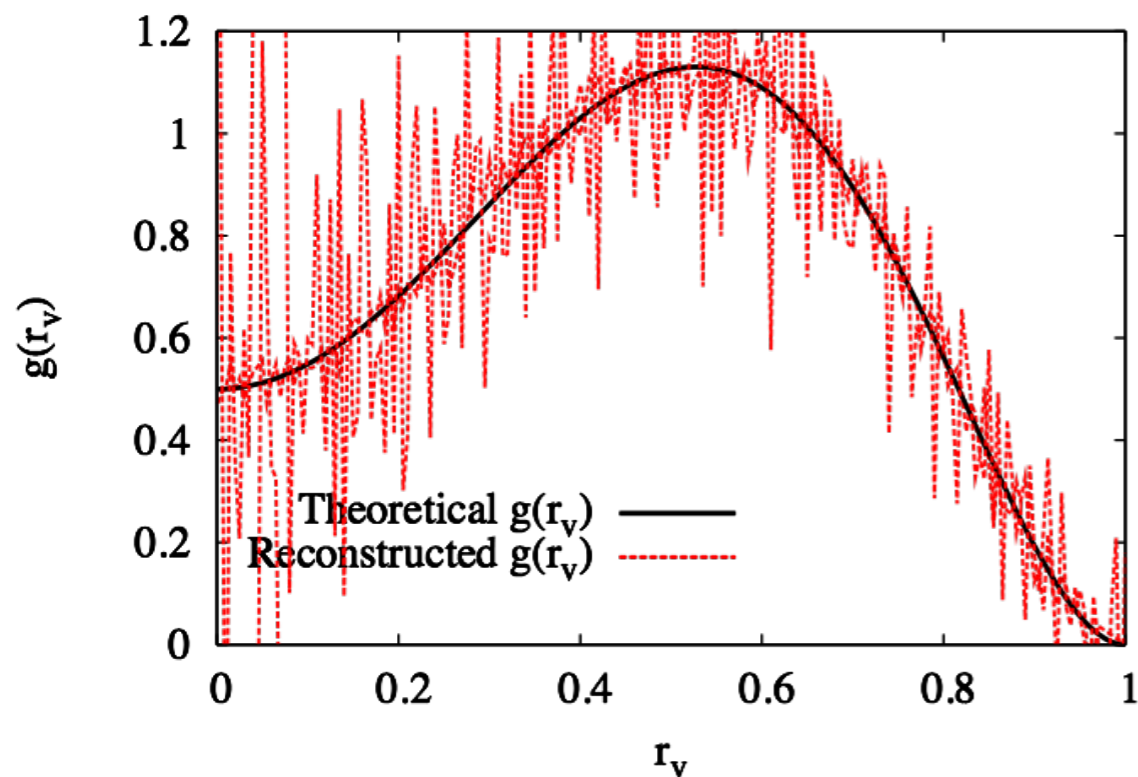
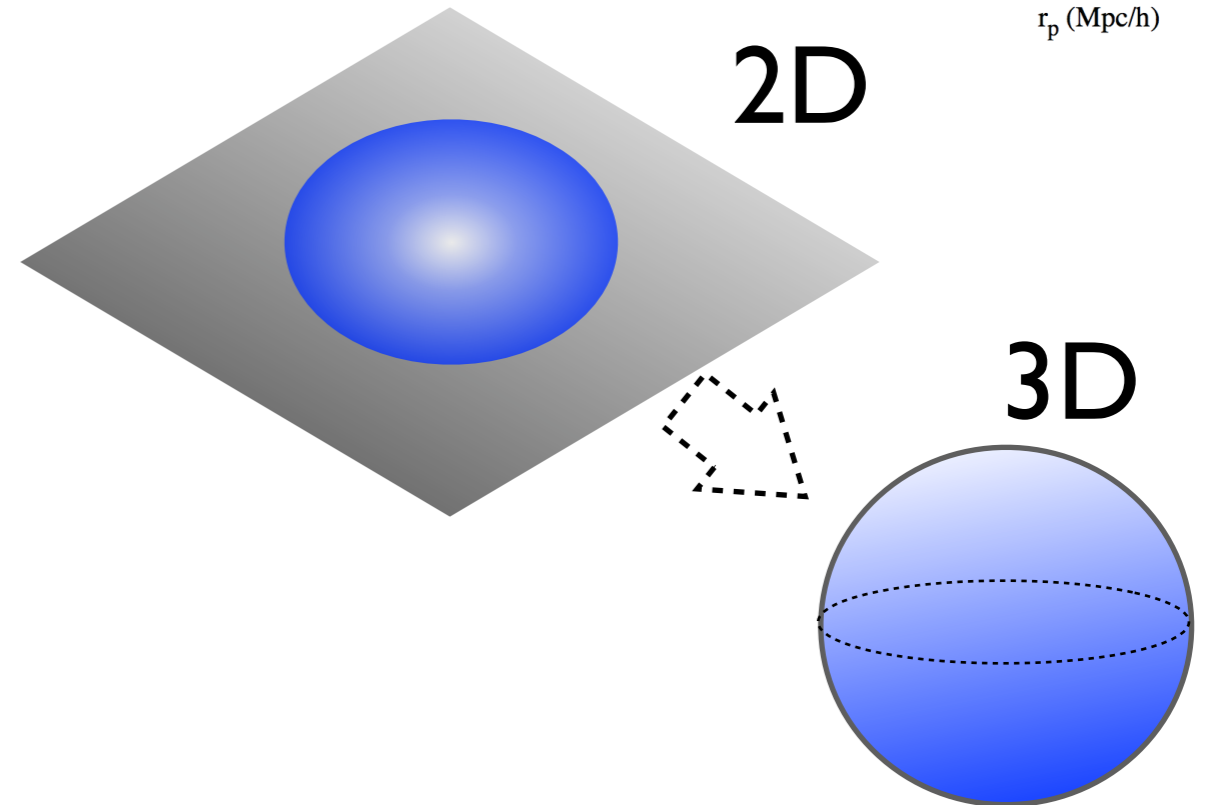
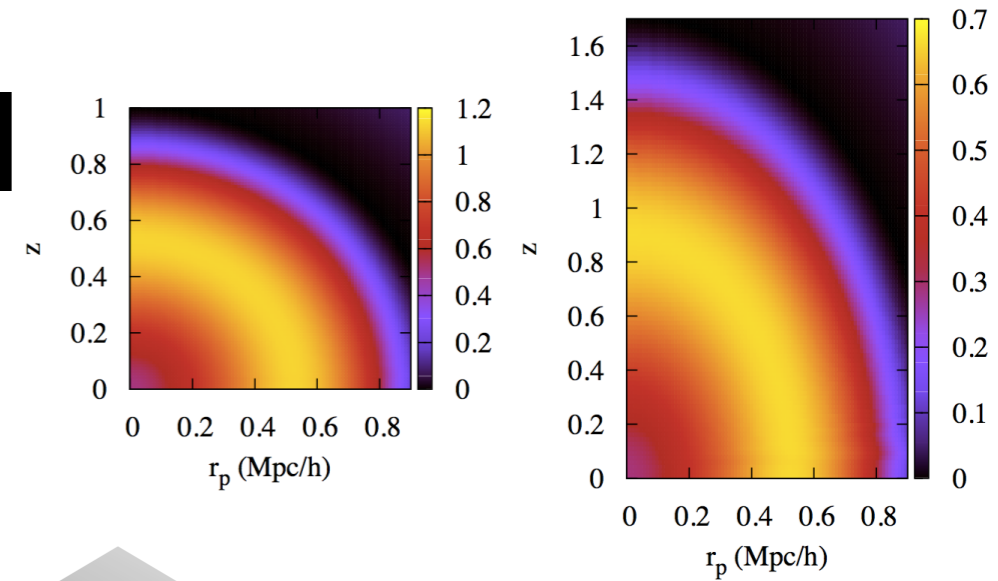


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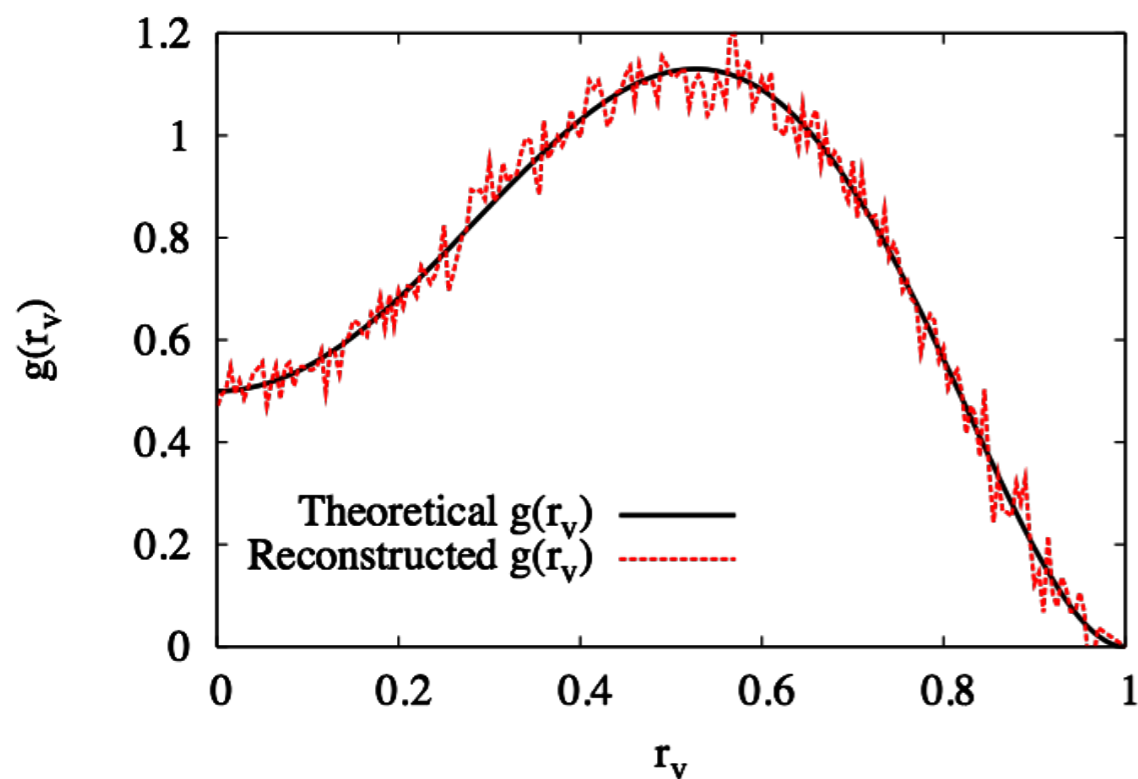
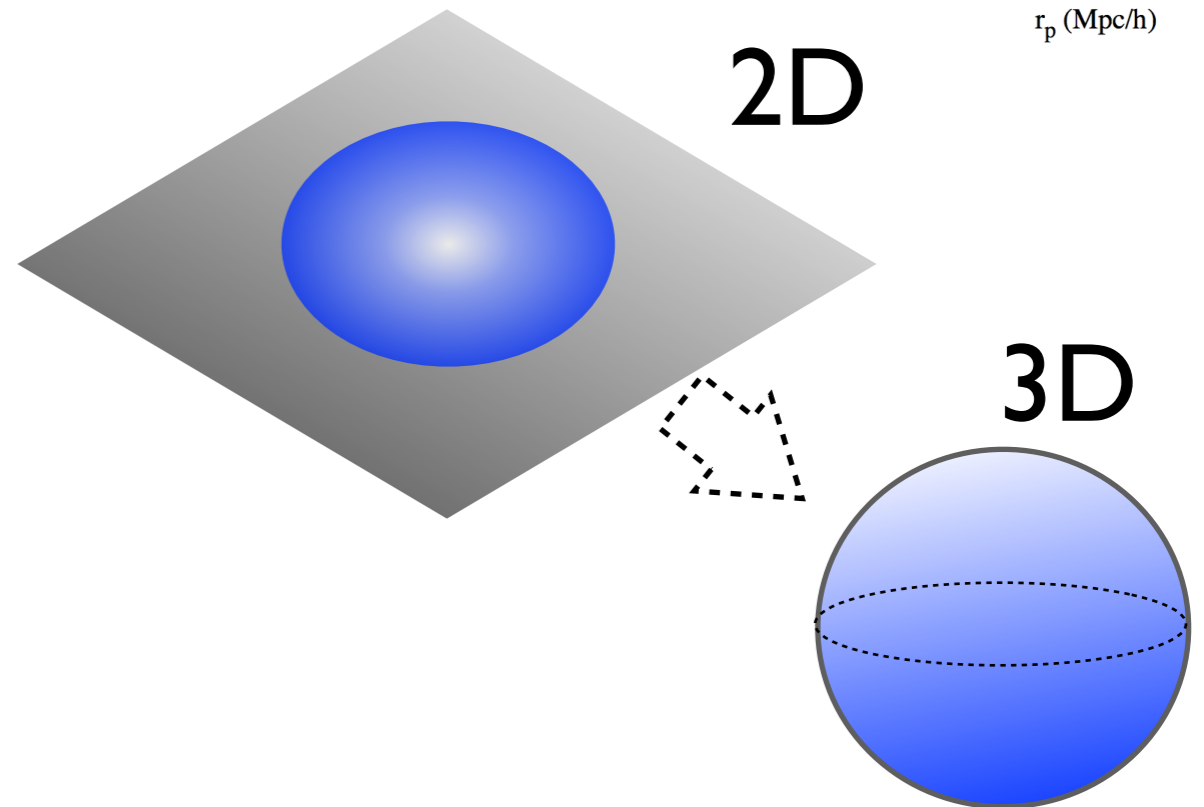
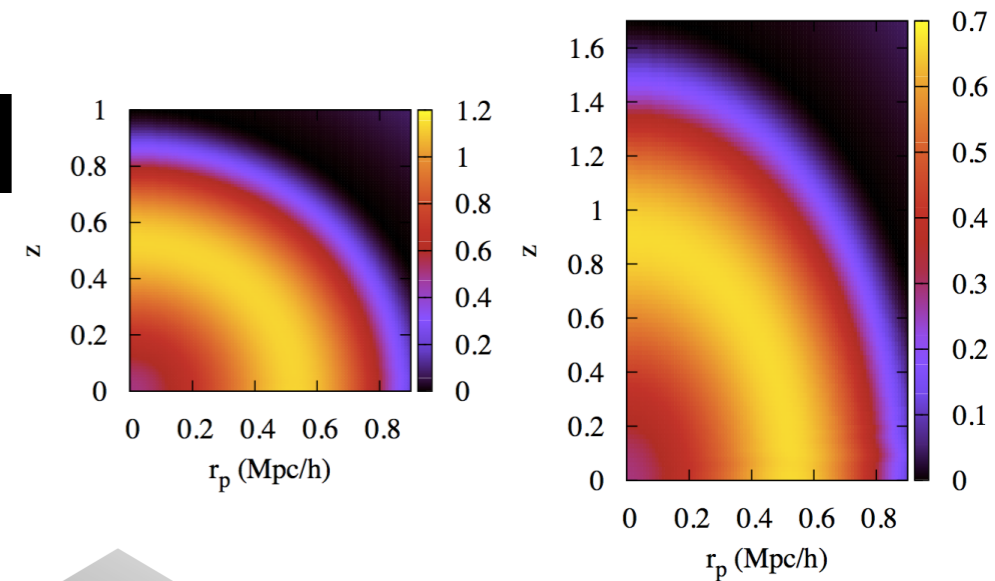


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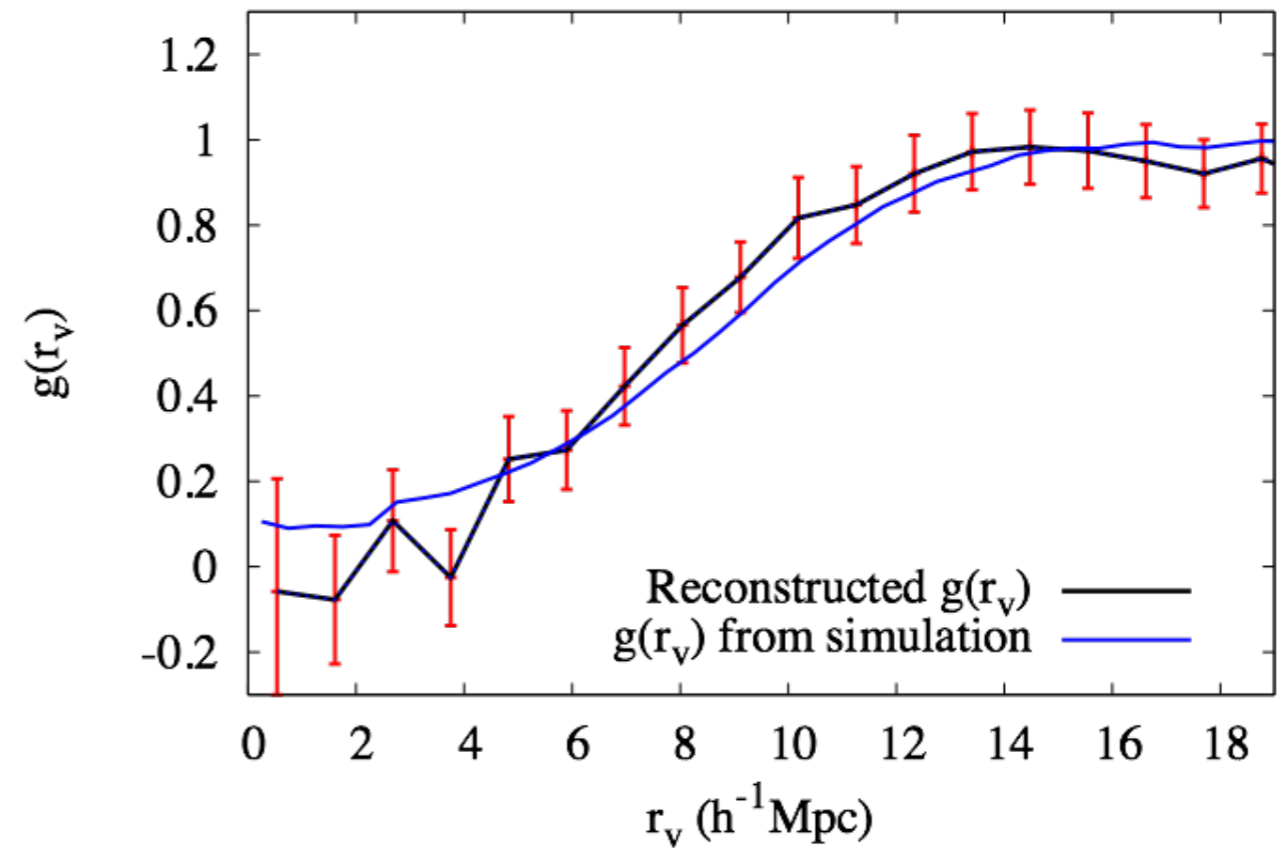
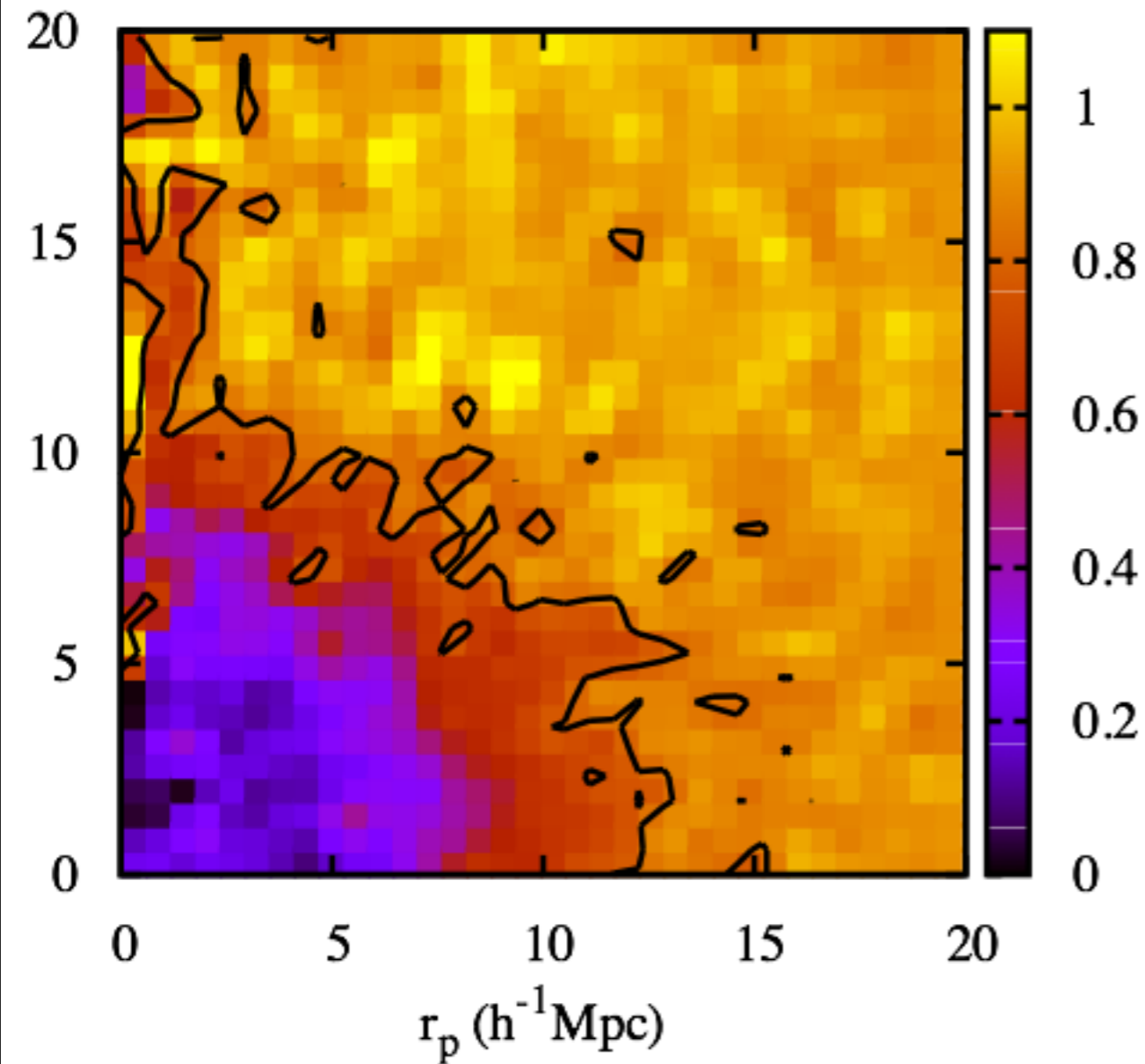
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**RESULT:
Very good
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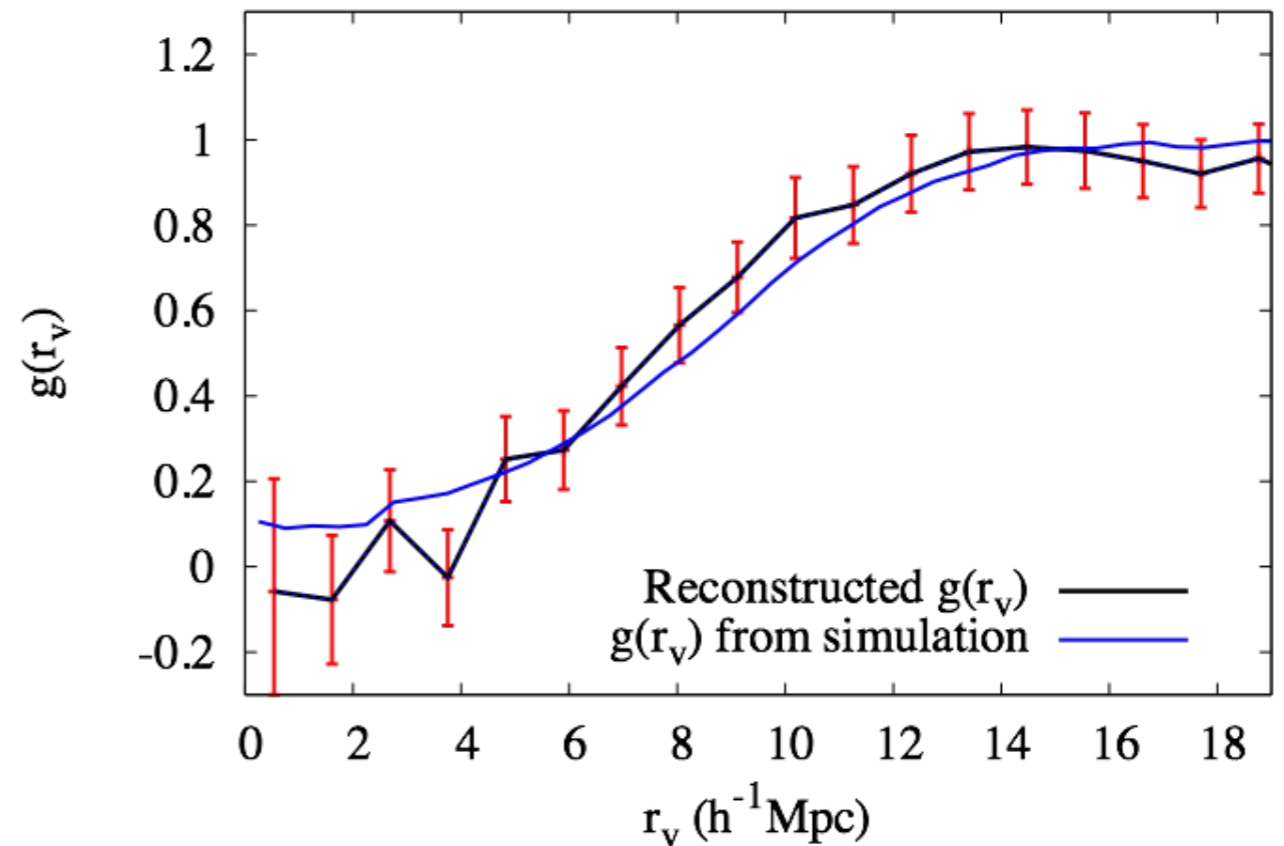
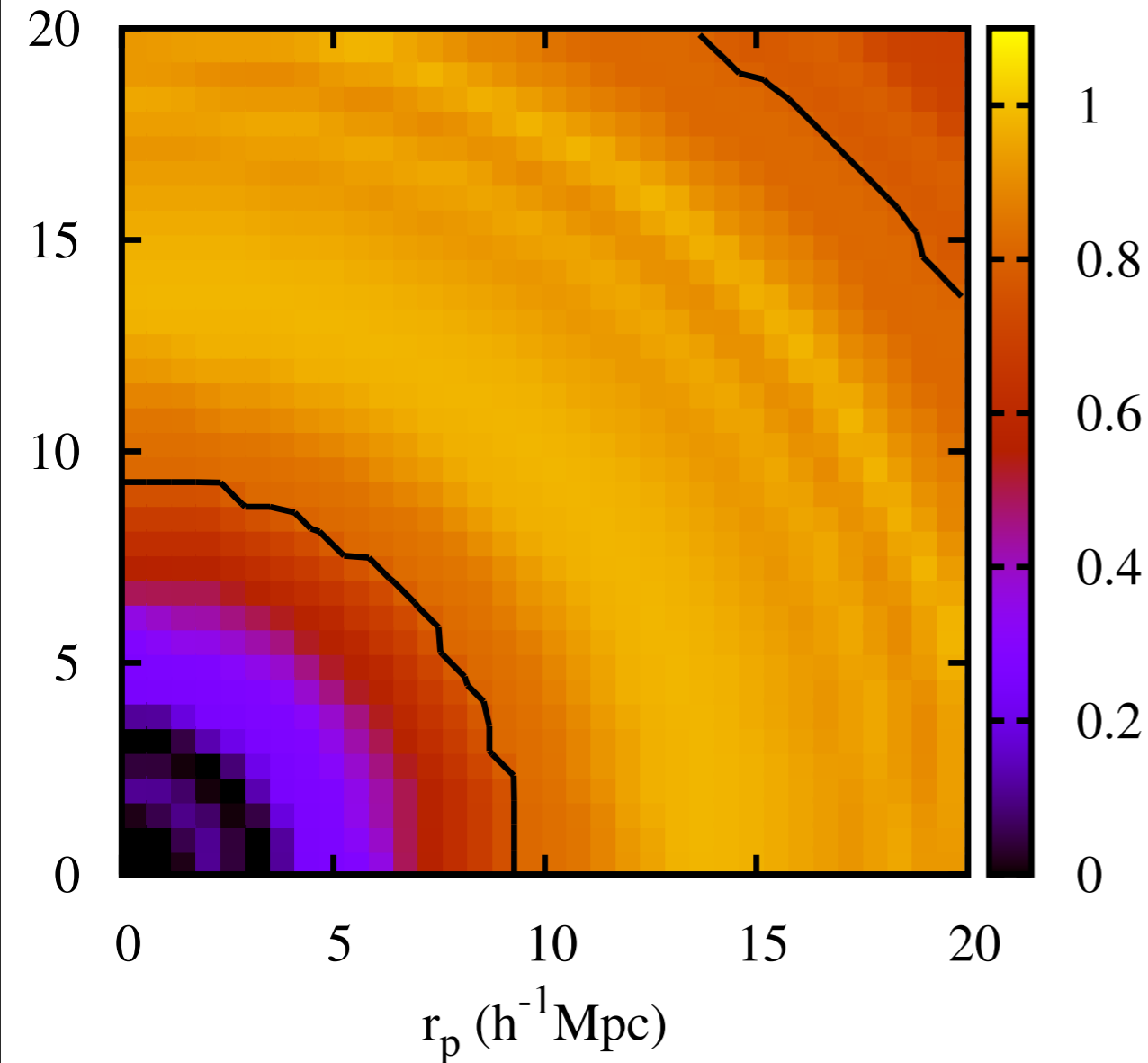
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Stacking from 10 to 12 Mpc/h

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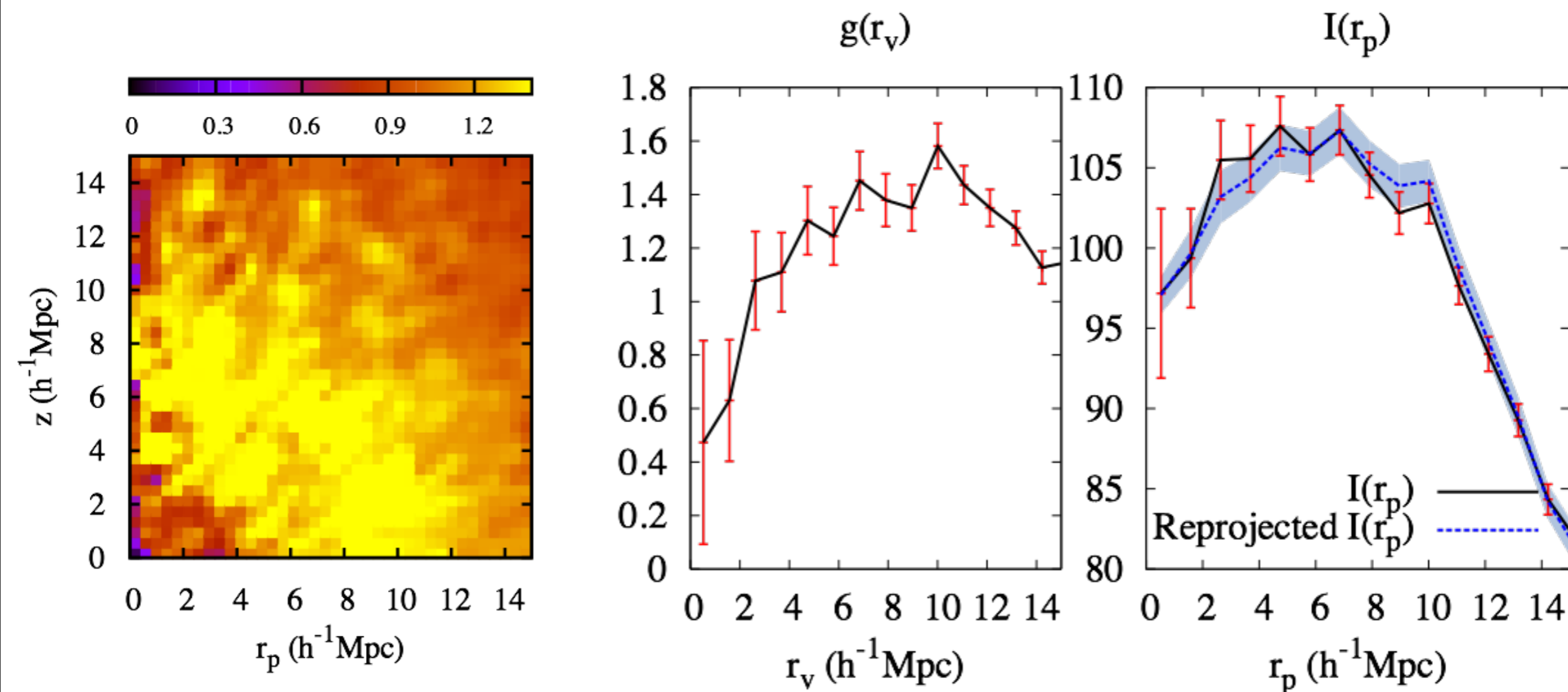


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Simulated void from G. Lavaux

Result III

REAL DATA from SDSS!!!



Dim 2 (5-15 Mpc/h)

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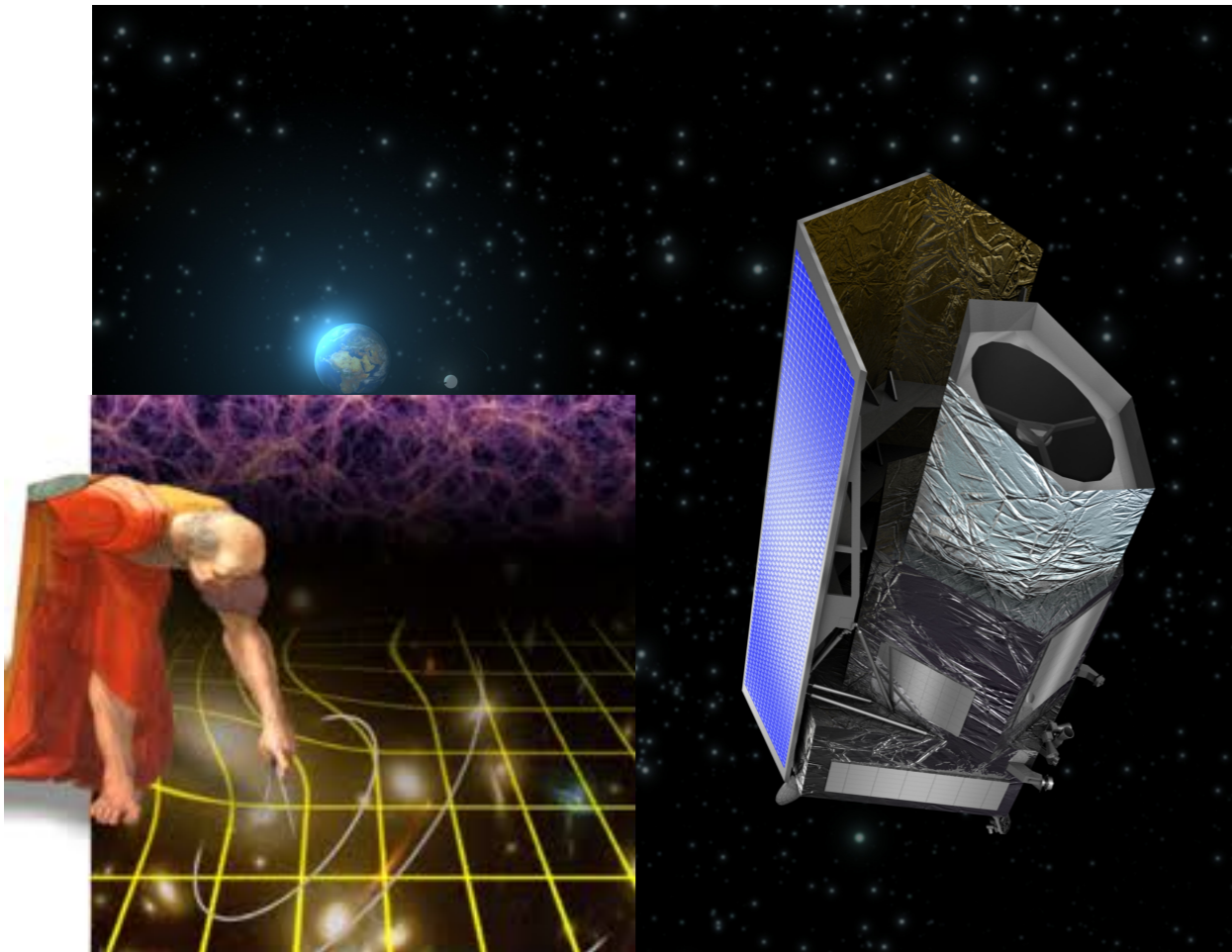
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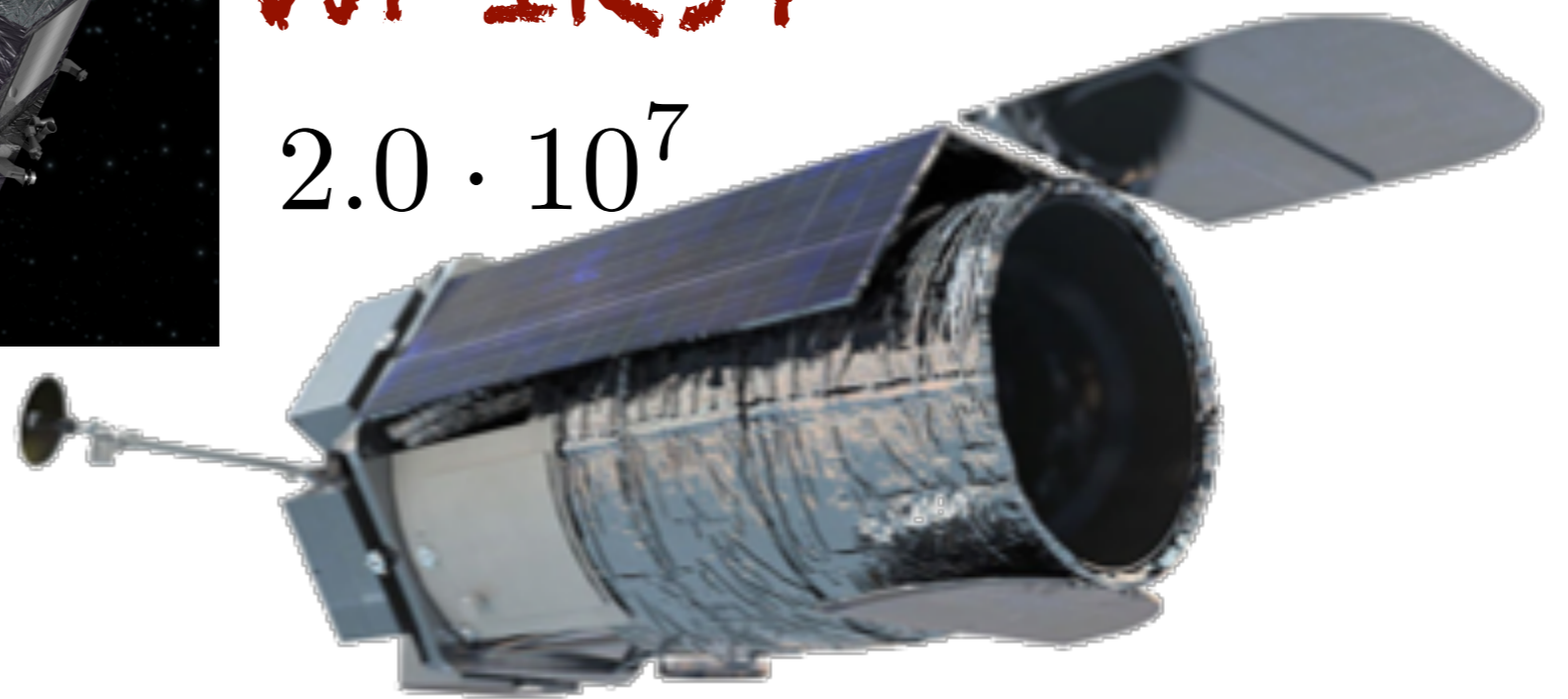
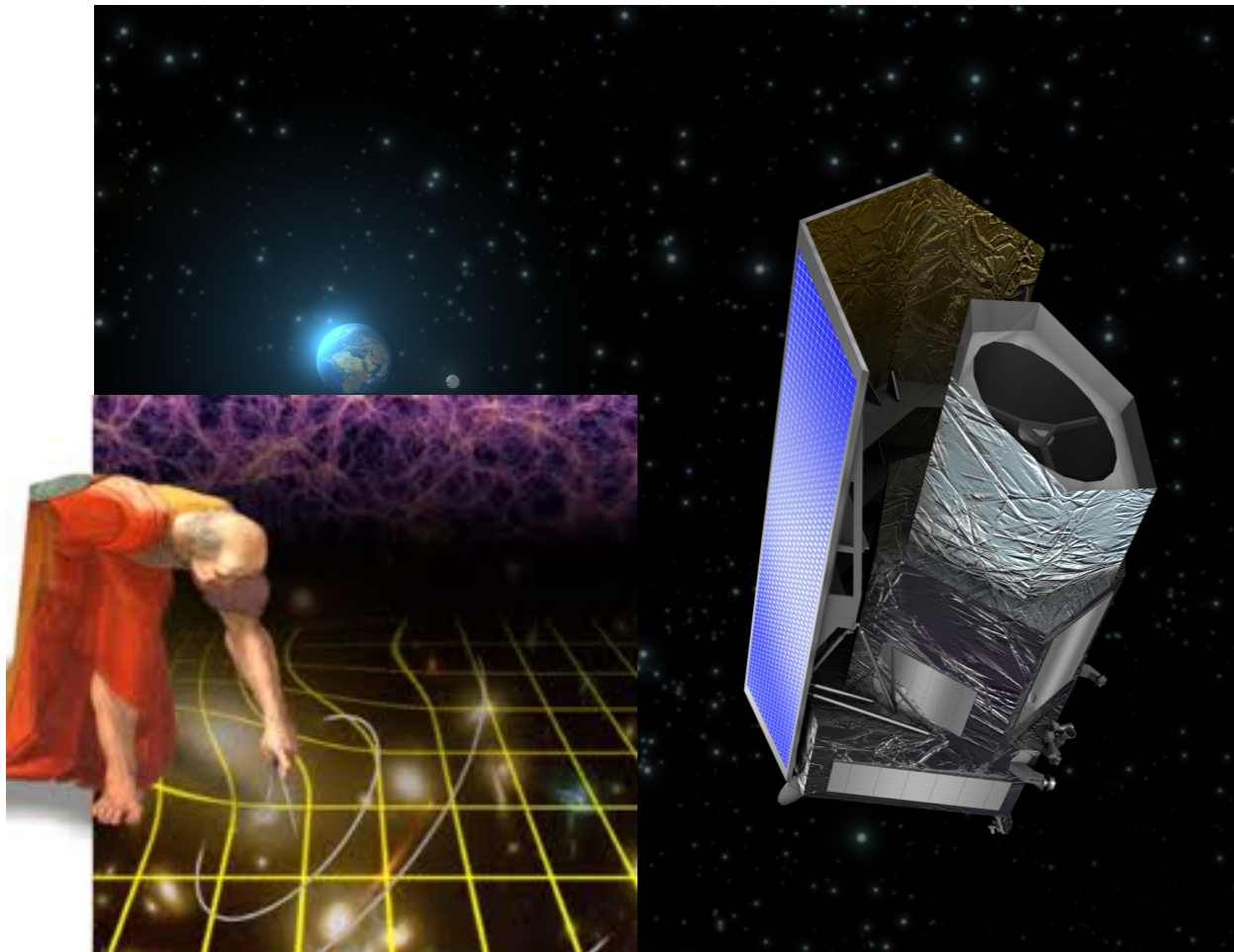
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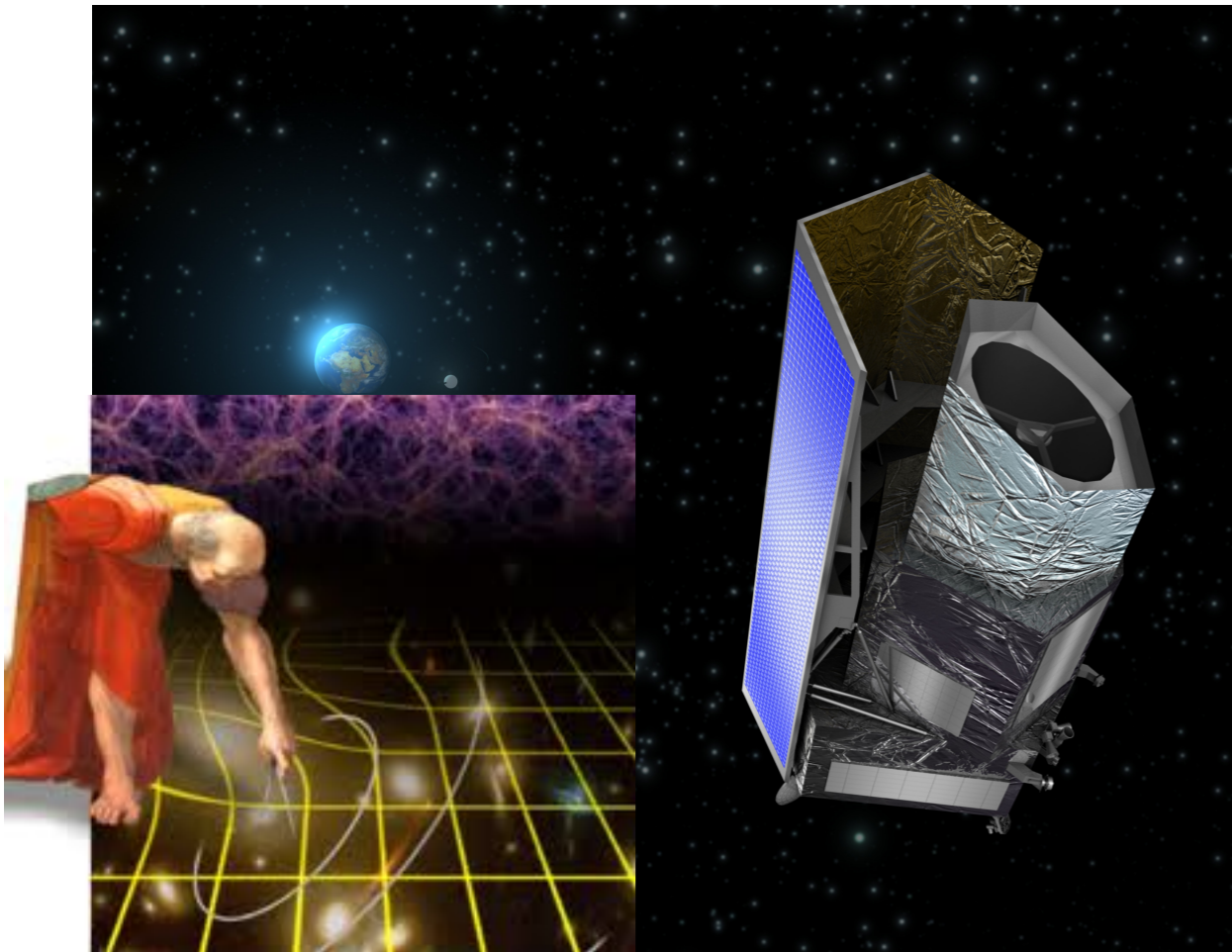
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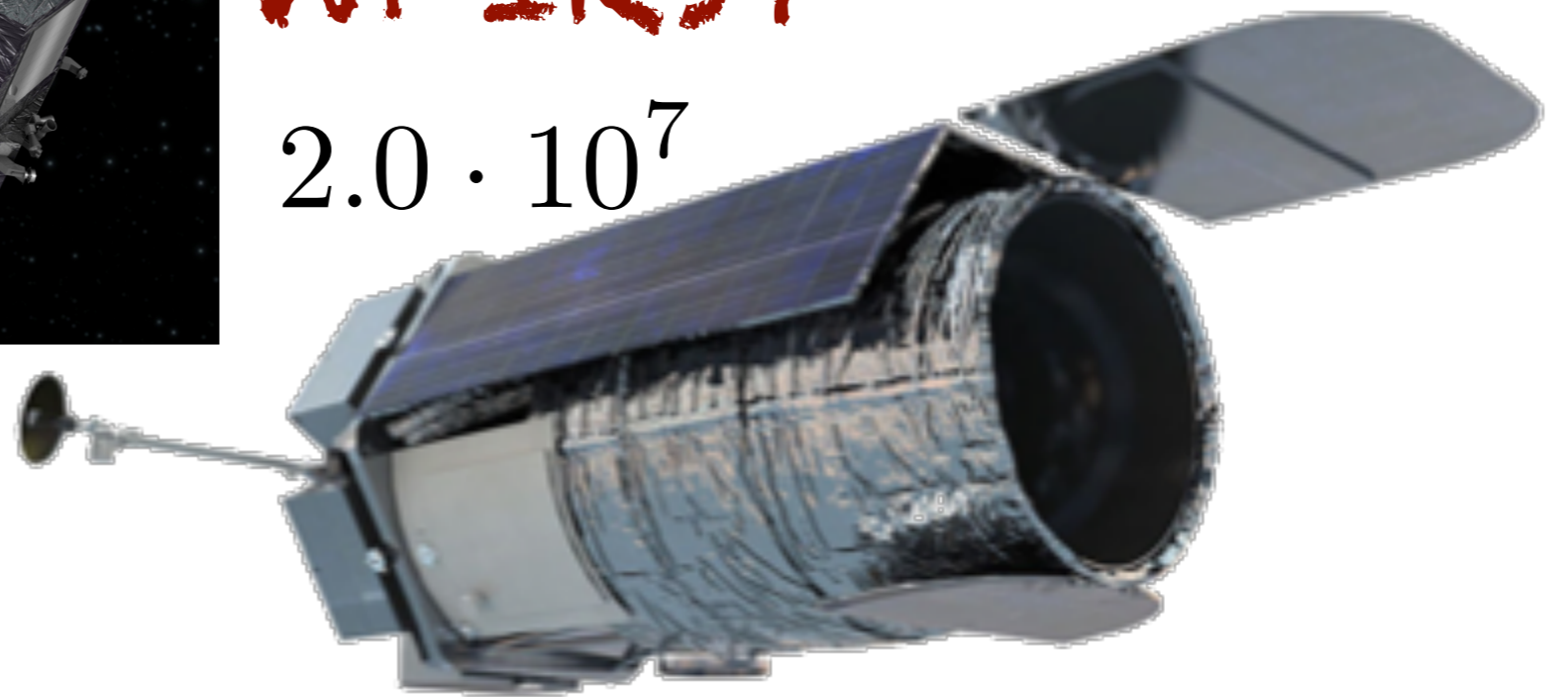
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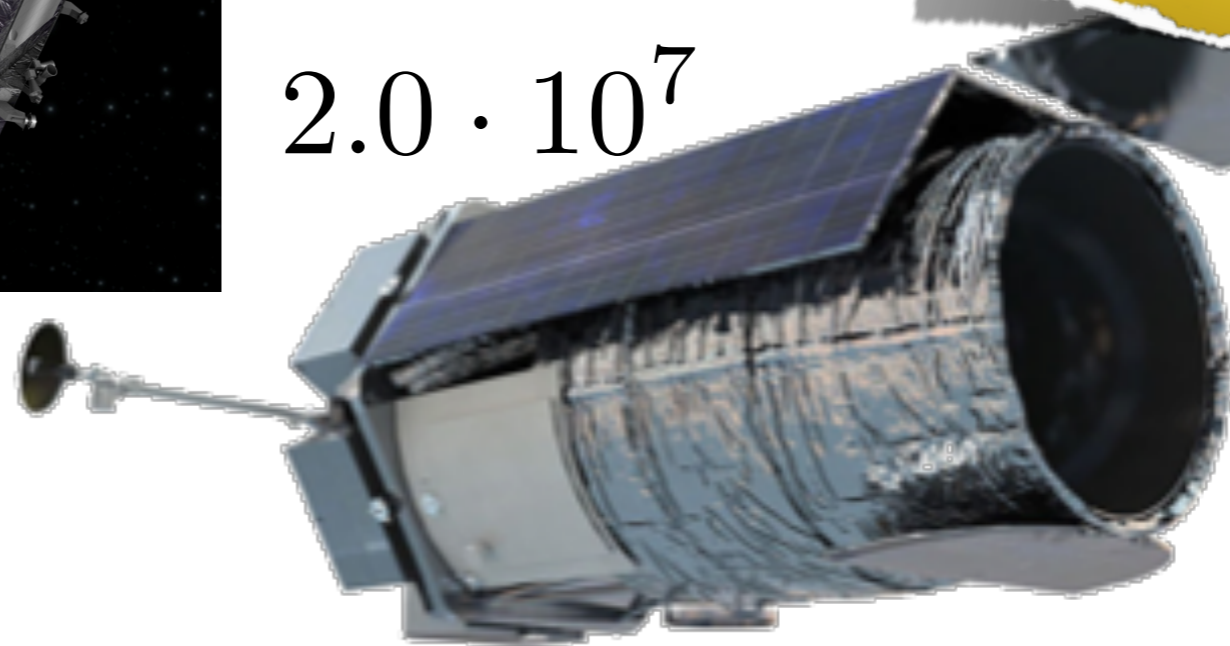
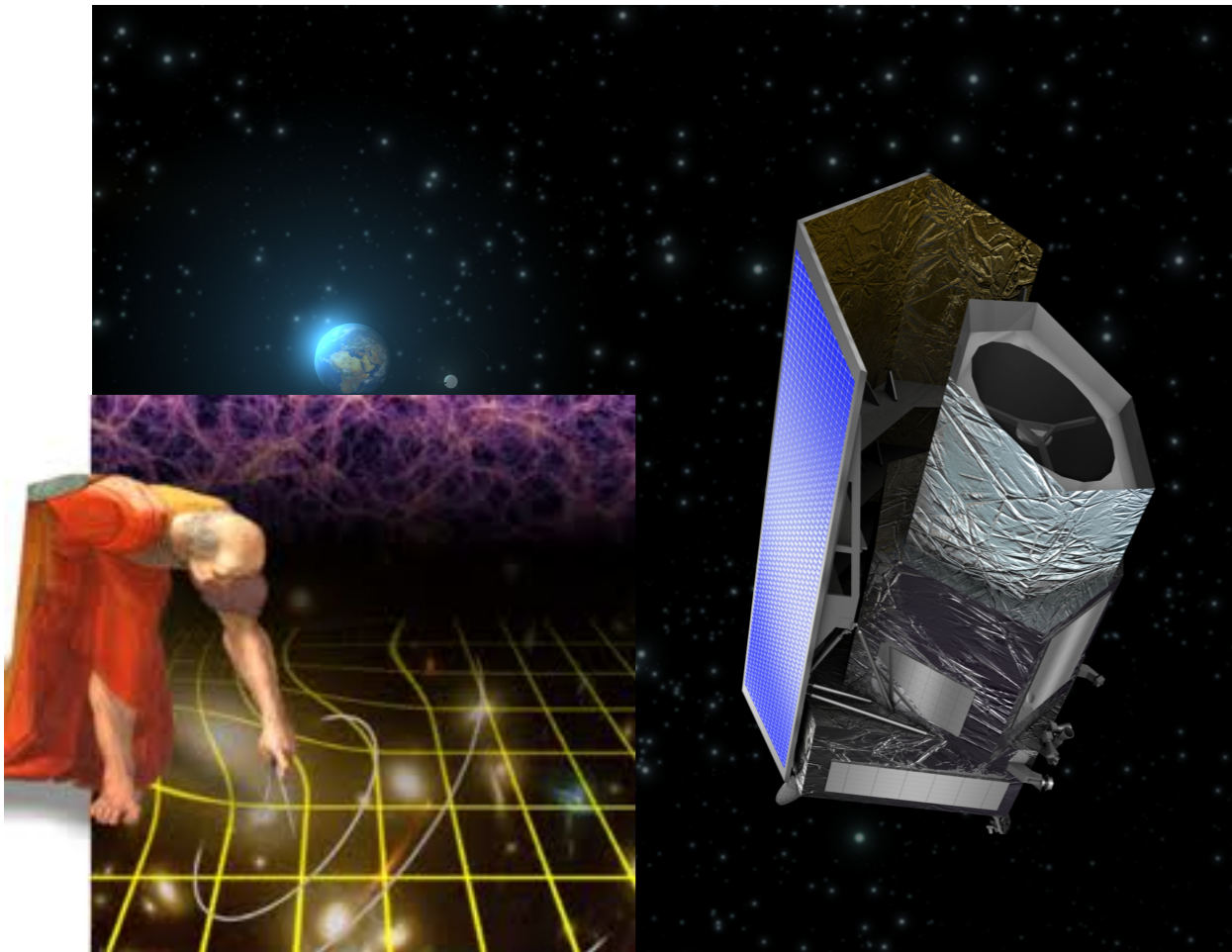
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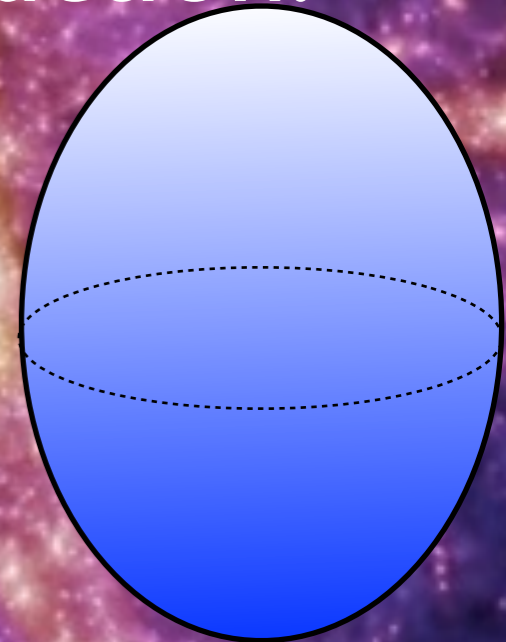
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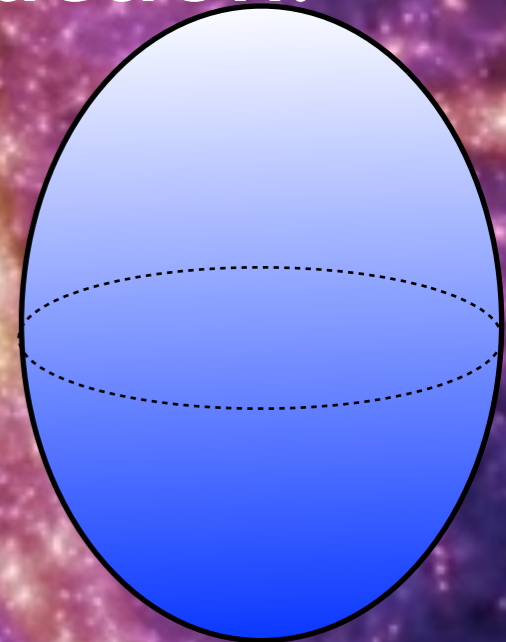
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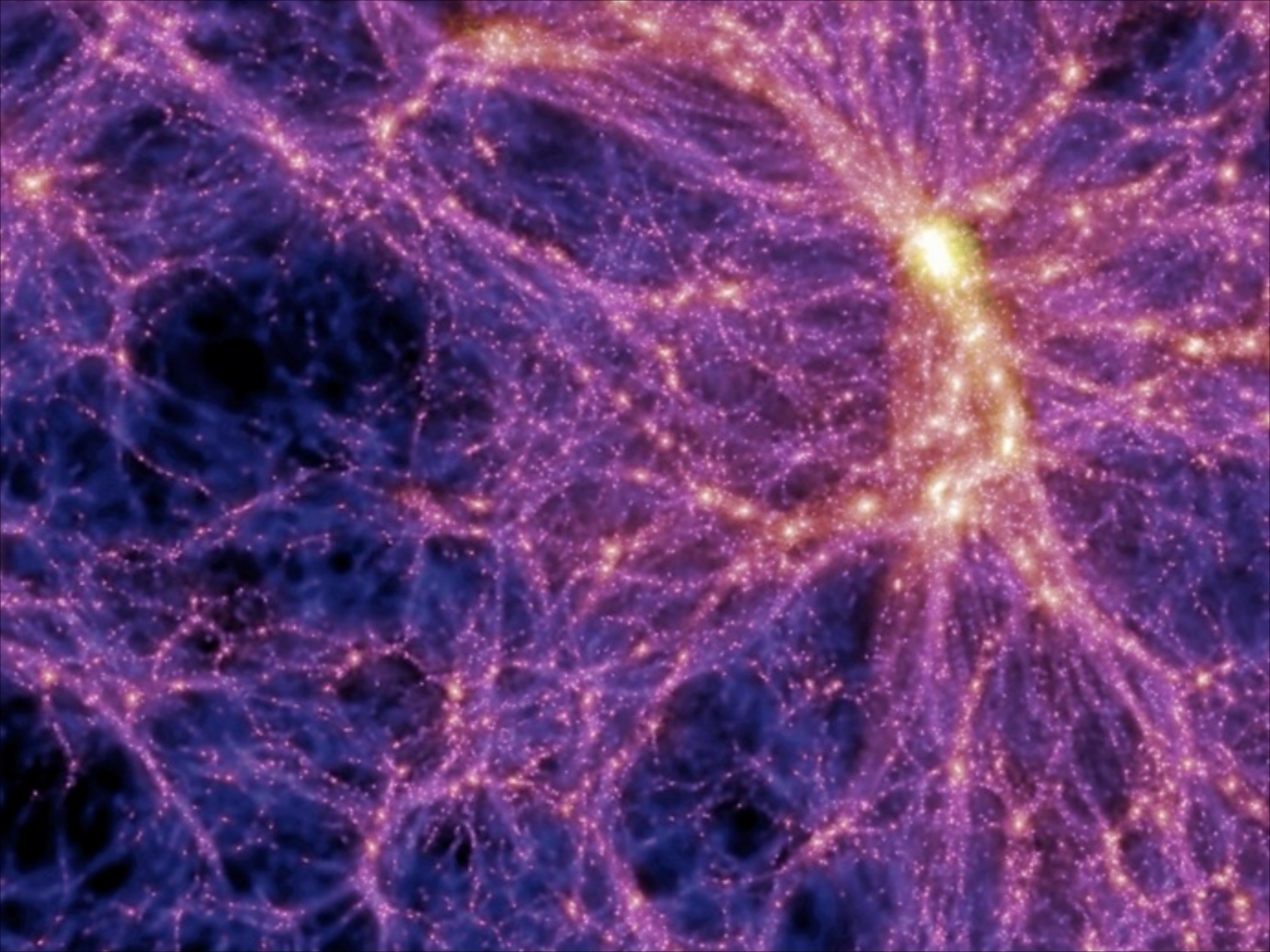
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The VIDE void finder

- Based on Zobov (Neyrinck 2008)
- Voronoi tessellation+watershed transform: it computes and locates local minima in the density field sampled by particles, then
- Each basin is a void, 2 basins in one void if they share a common boundary (density in boundary is the lowest)
- No overlapping, center in average lowest density (volume weighted barycenter)
- Takes into account survey boundaries and masks

Voids

Alcock-Paczyński test

The deviations from fiducial cosmology cause geometrical distortions.

$$\delta r_{\perp} = D_A(z) \delta \Theta \quad \text{comoving line of sight distance}$$

$$\delta r_{\parallel} = c H^{-1}(z) \delta z \quad \text{projected angular extent}$$

where

$$D_A = c \int_0^z H^{-1}(z') dz' \quad H(z) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}$$