

The splashback radius as a physical halo boundary

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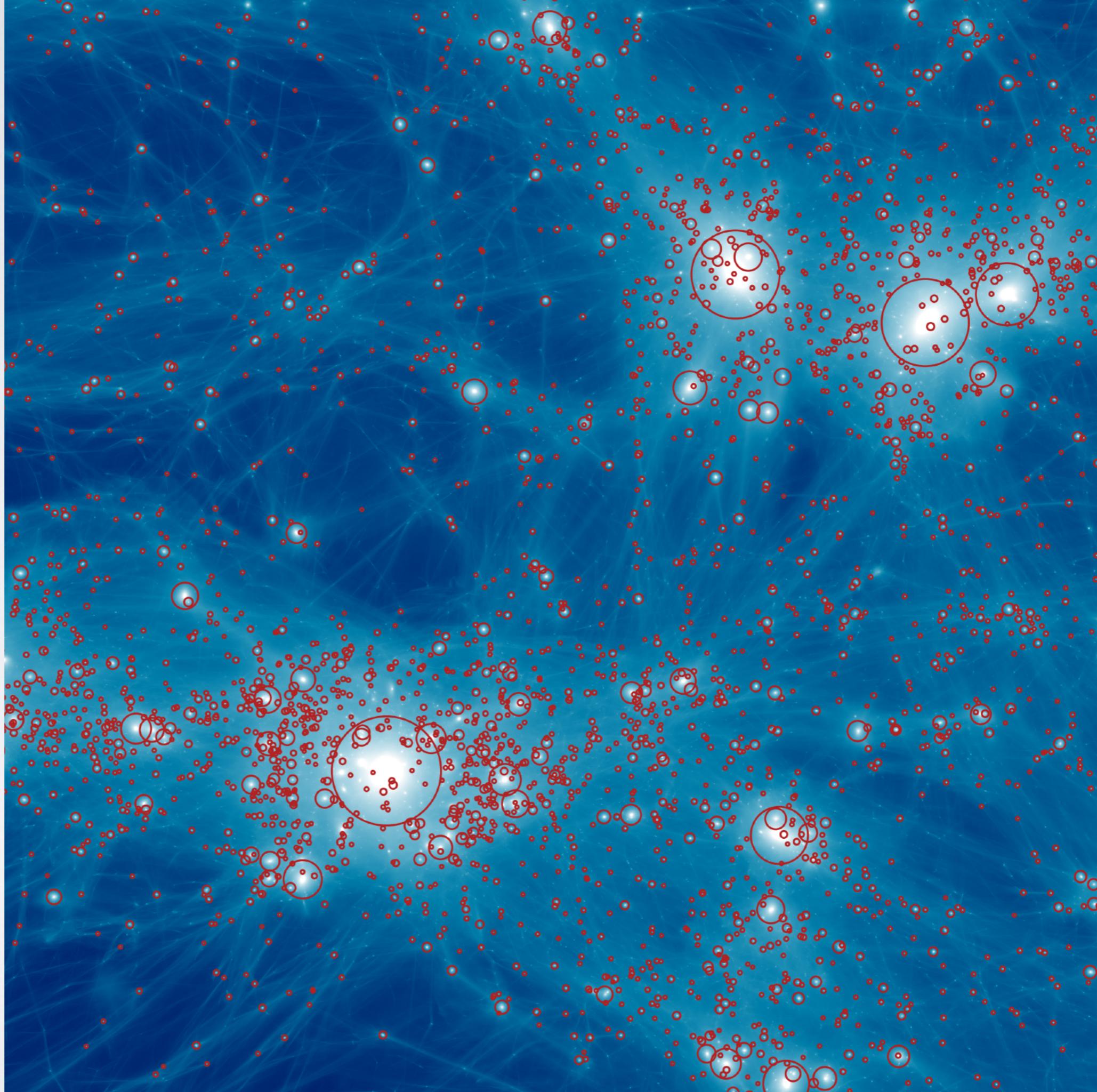
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R_{500c}

Visualization code:
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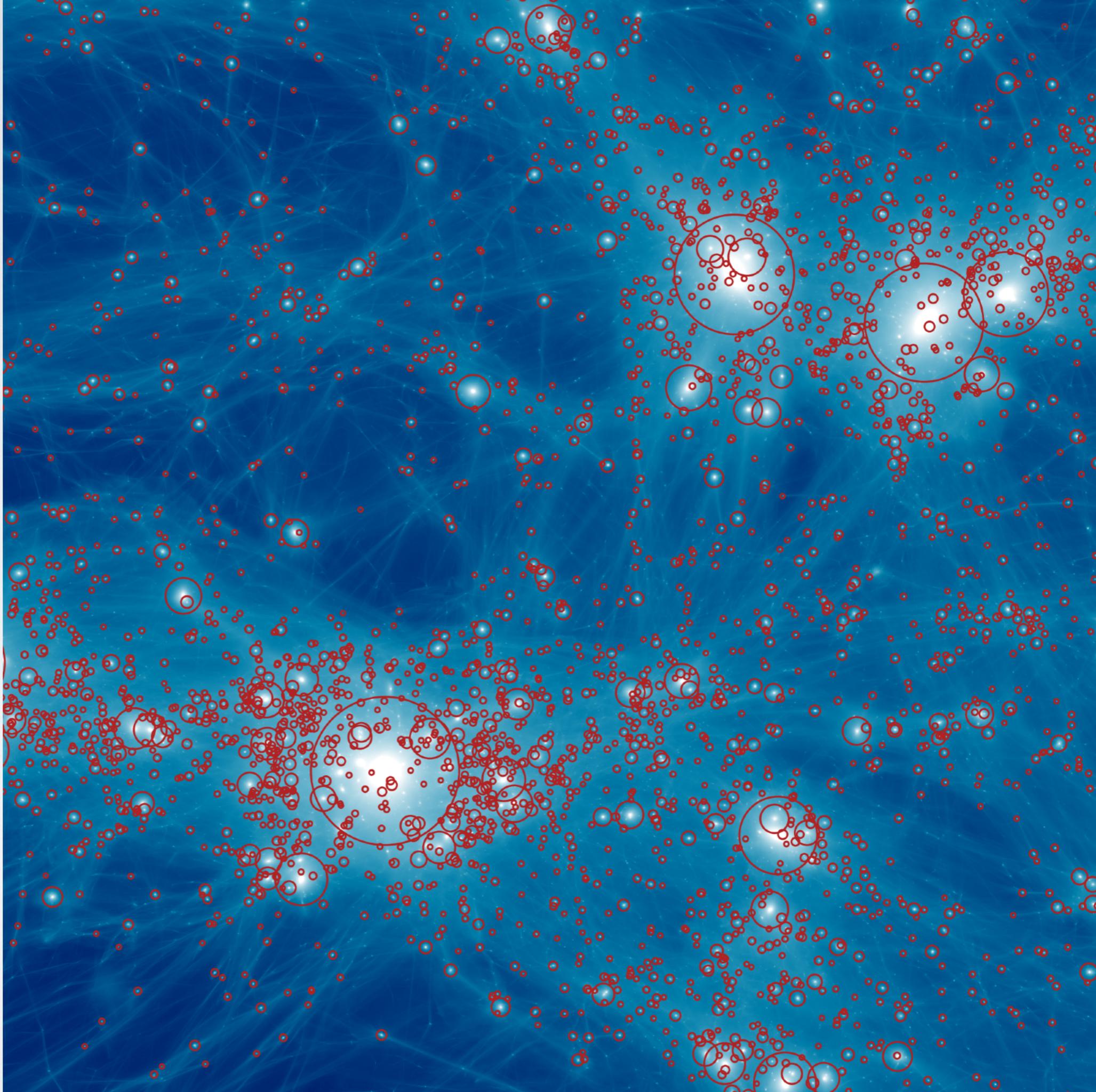
Halo finder: Rockstar
(Behroozi et al. 2013)



R_{200c}

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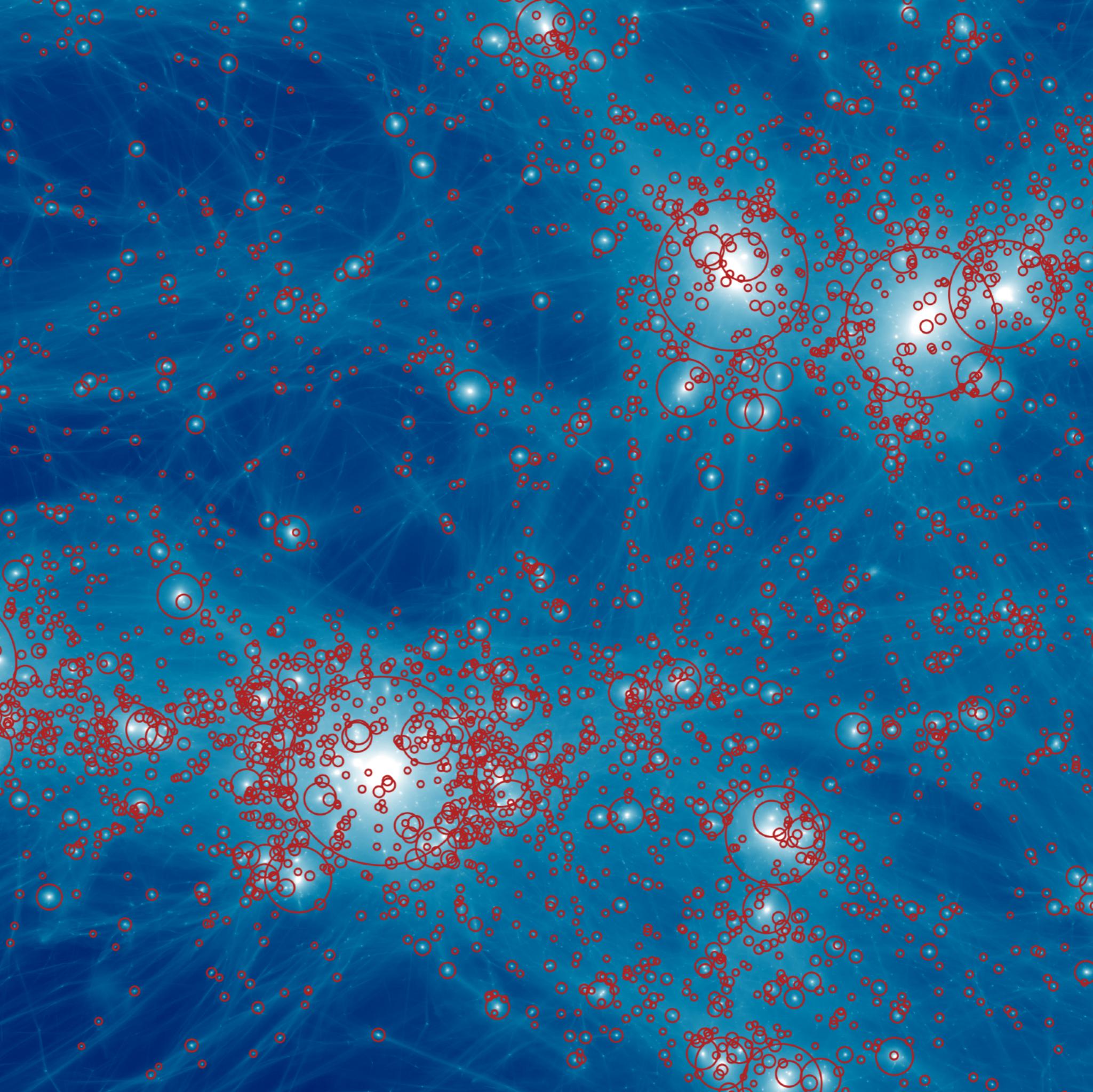
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R_{vir}

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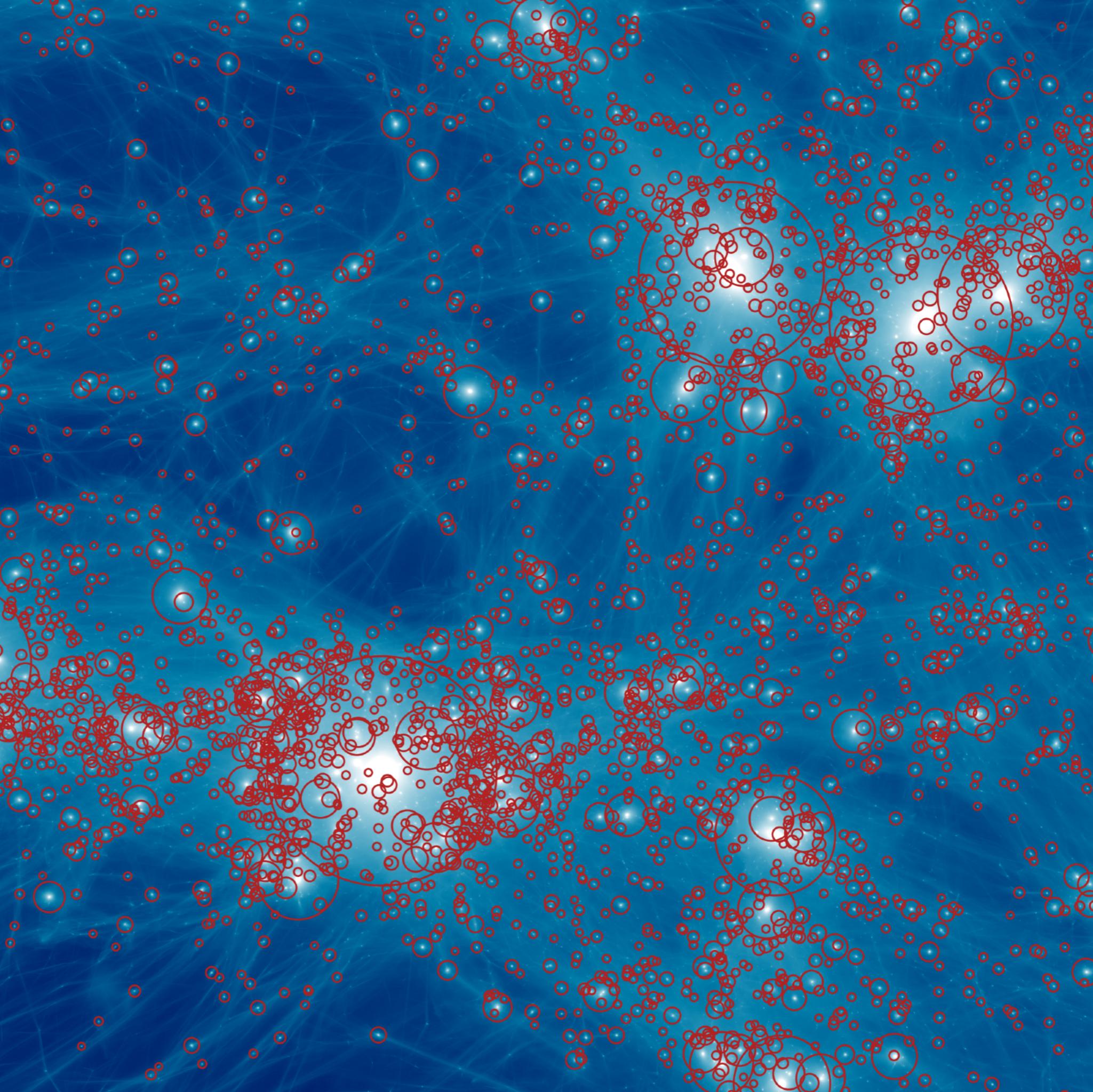
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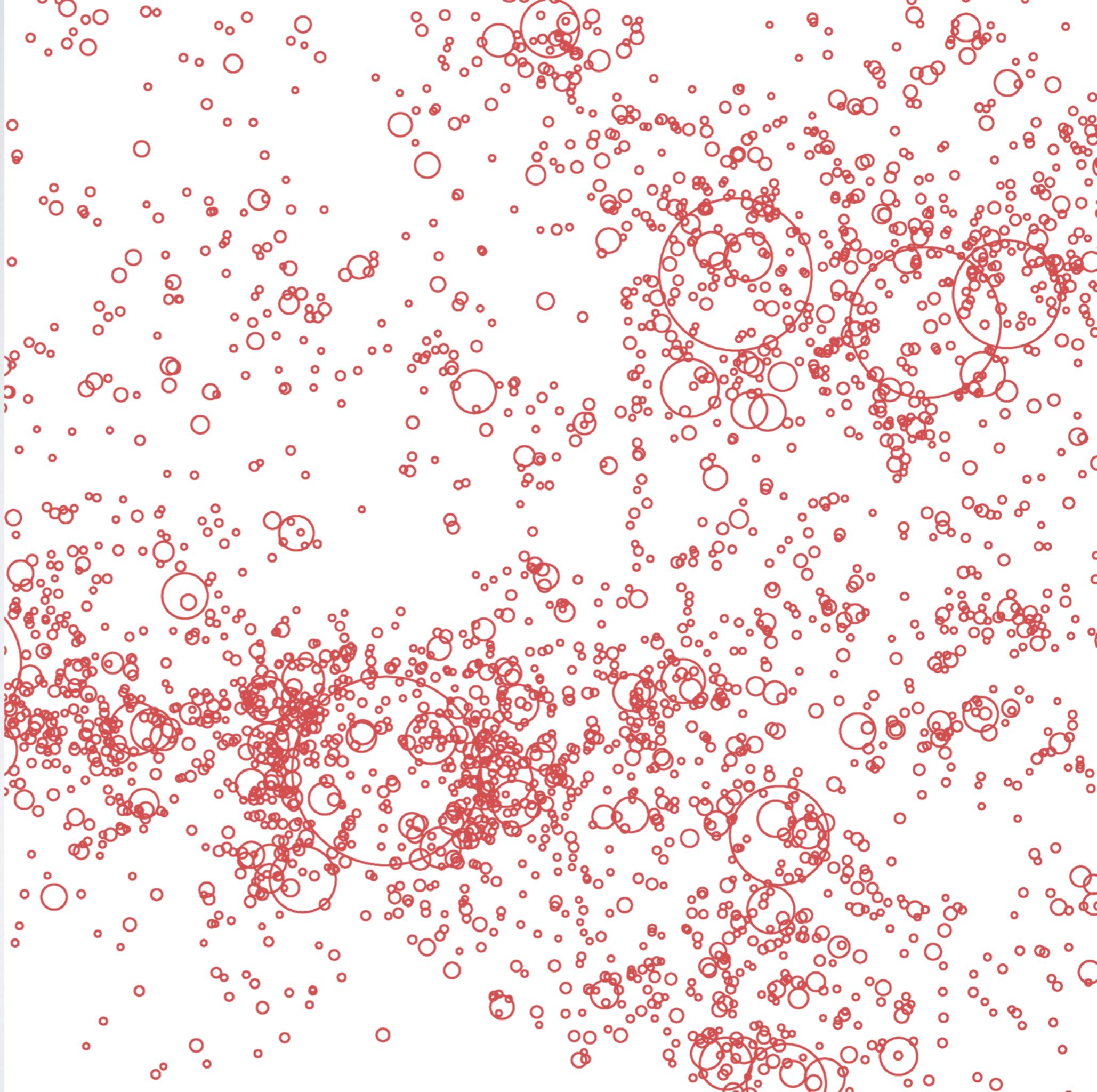
R_{200m}

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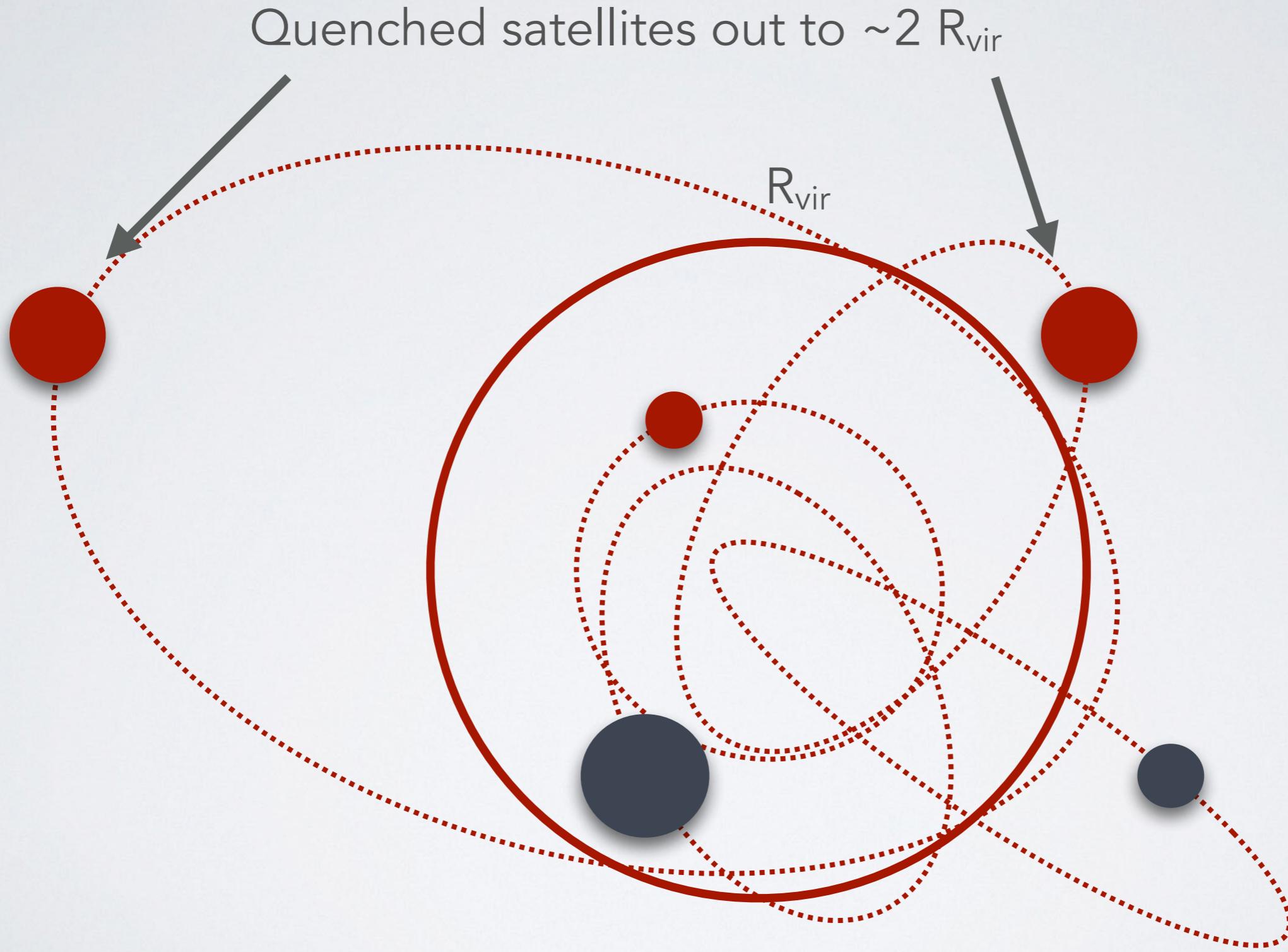
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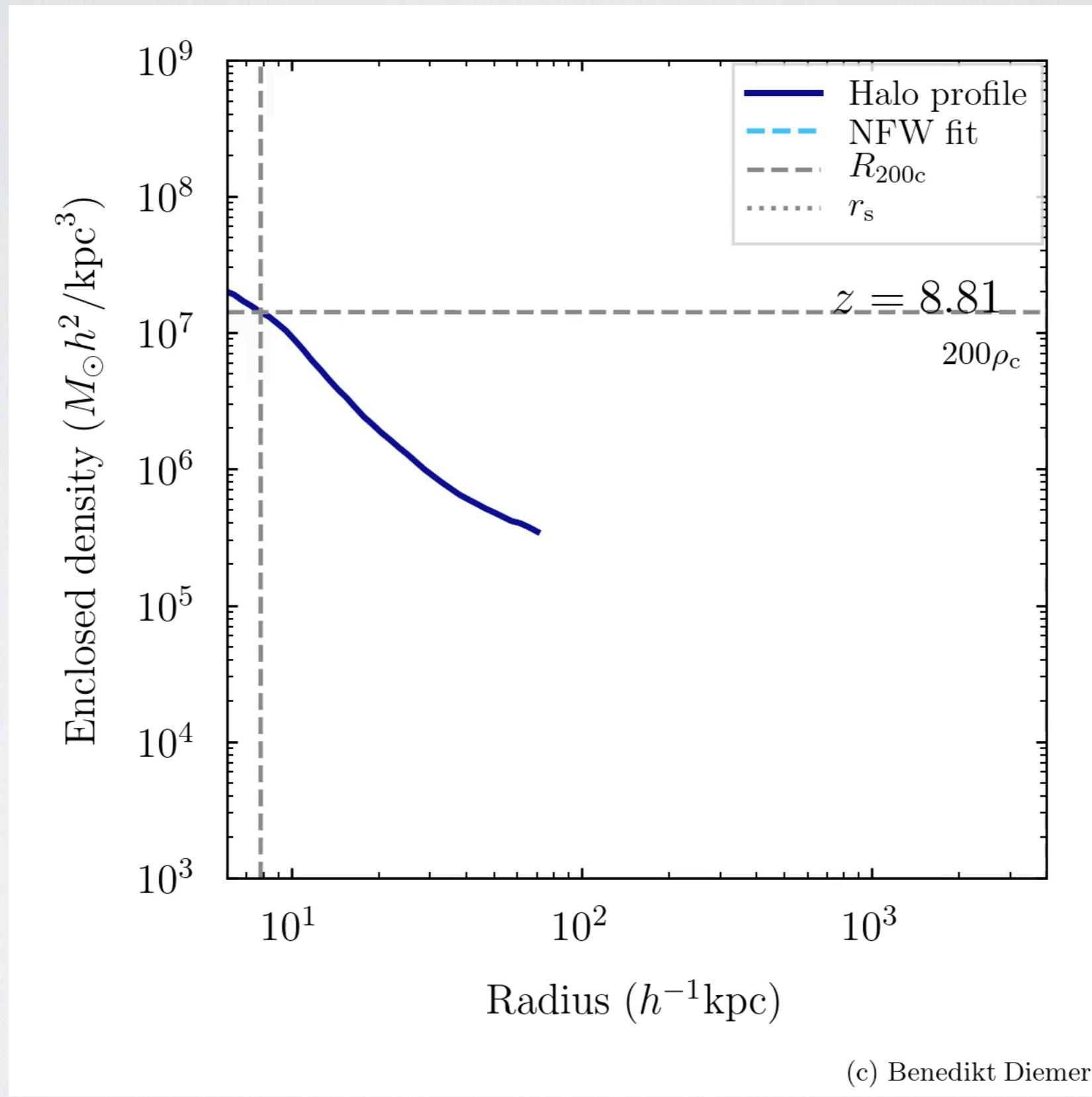
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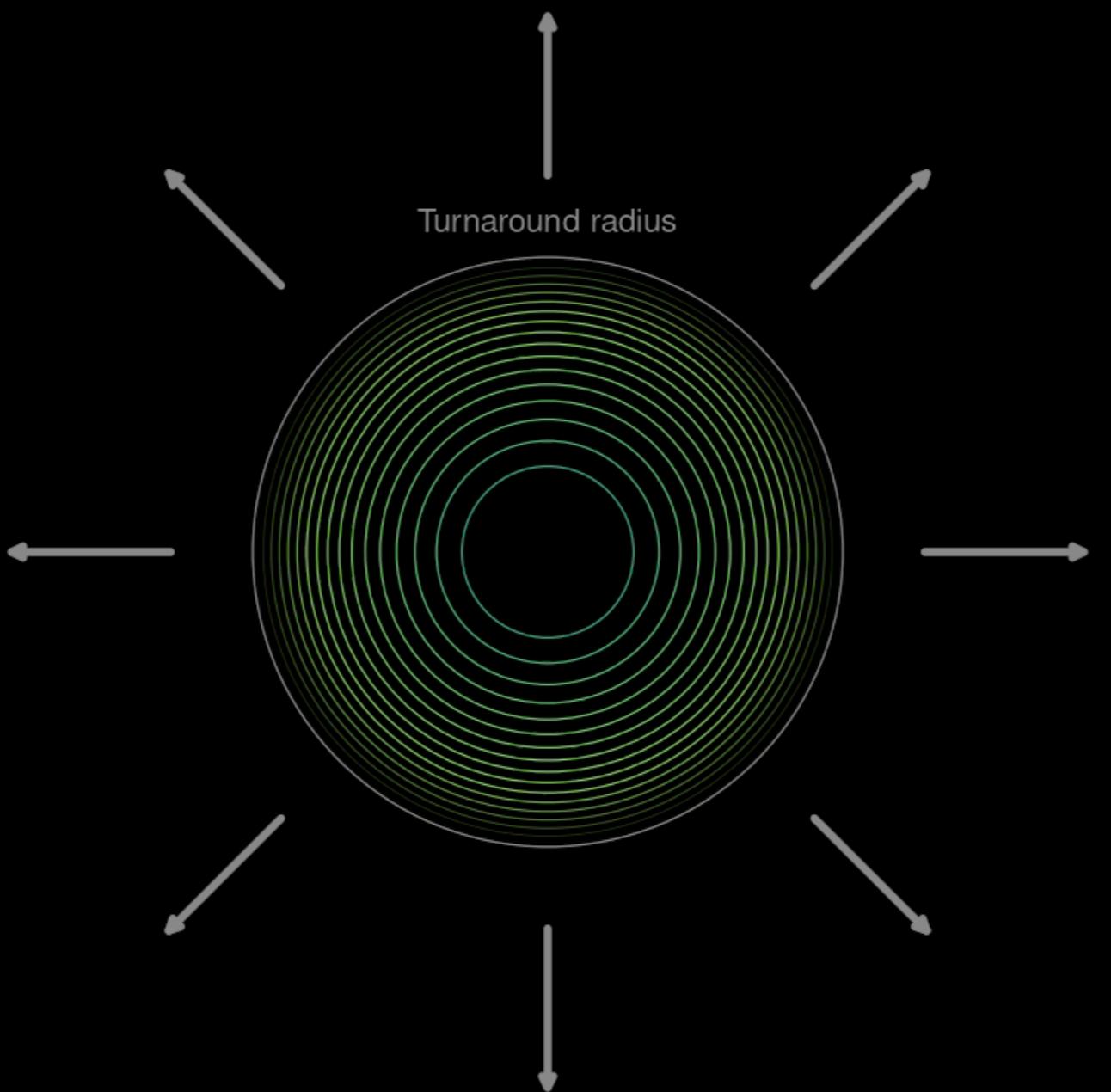
“Ejected” satellites



Pseudo-evolution



Fillmore & Goldreich 1984 • Bertschinger 1985 • Lu et al. 2006 • Diemand & Kuhlen 2008
Vogelsberger et al. 2011 • Lithwick & Dalal 2011 • Adhikari et al. 2014 • Shi 2016

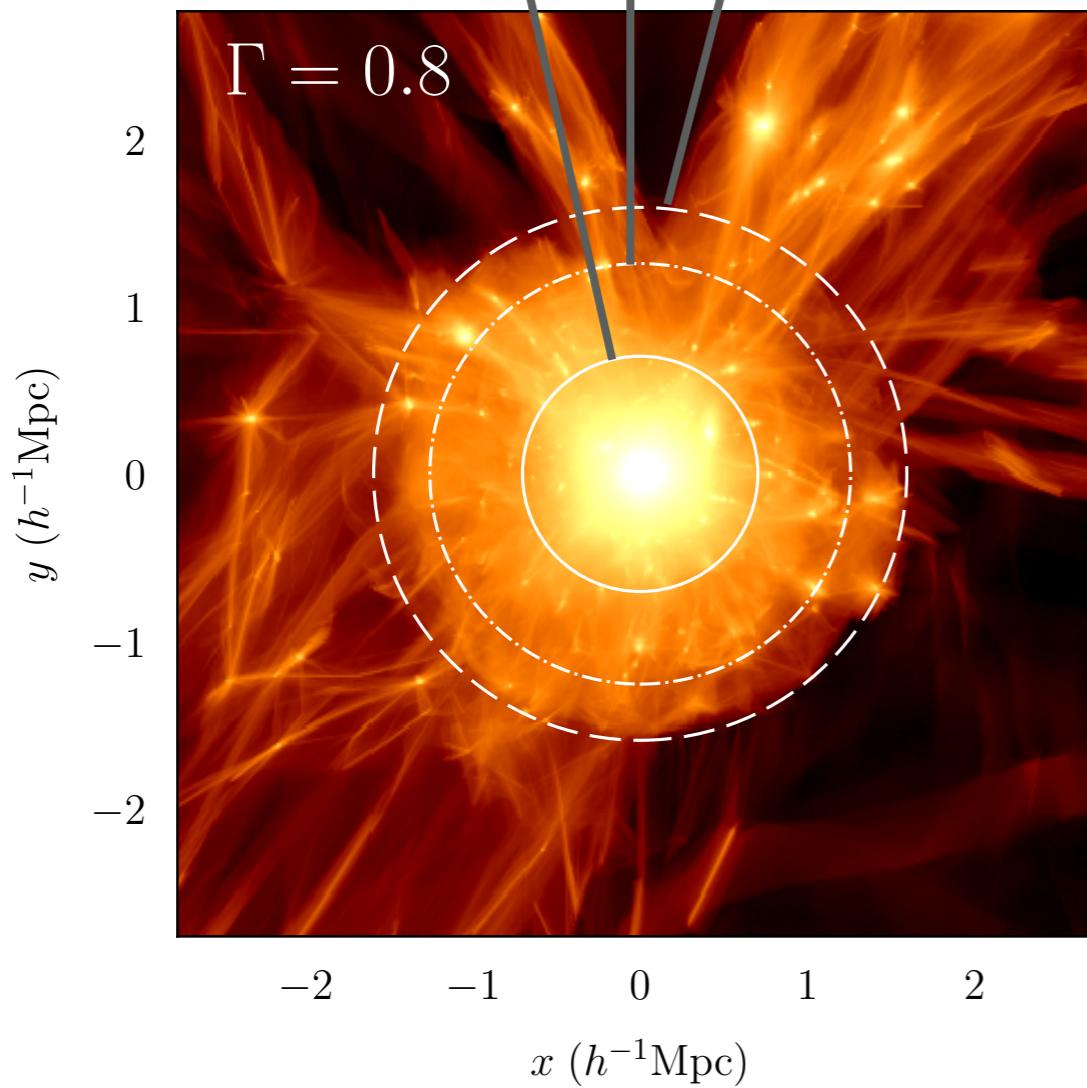


The Splashback Boundary

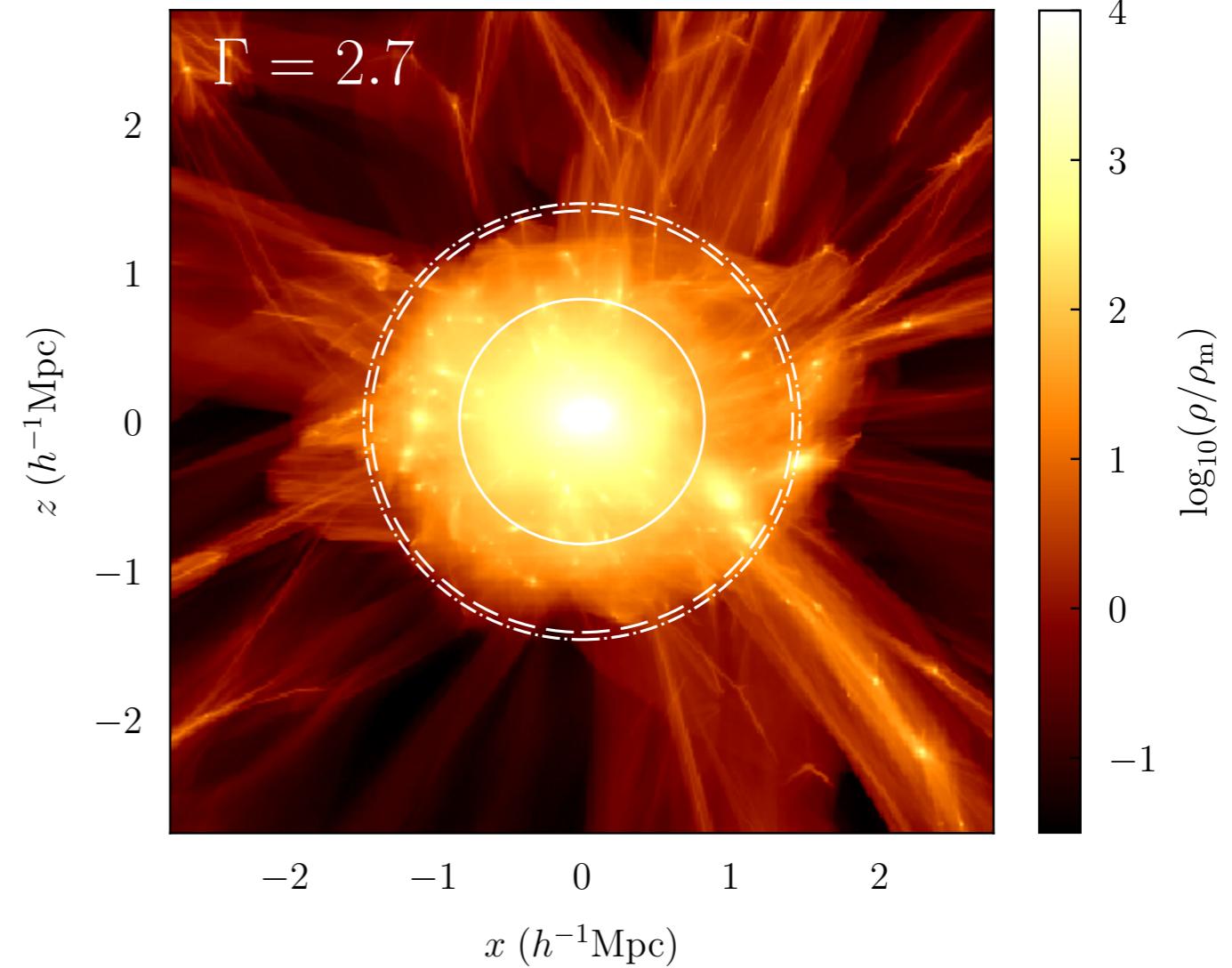
R_{200m}

R_{200c}

$R_{\text{splashback}}$

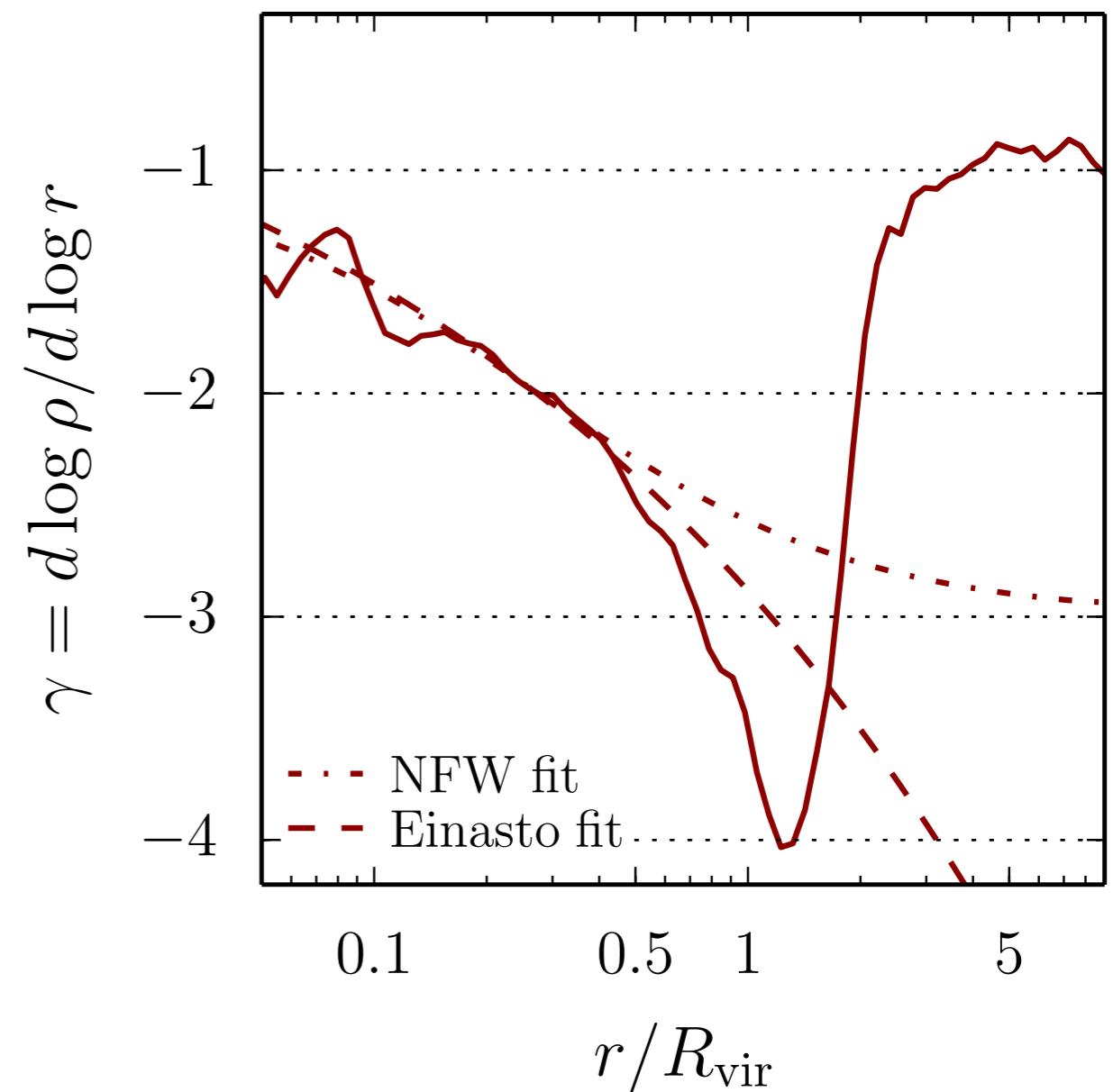
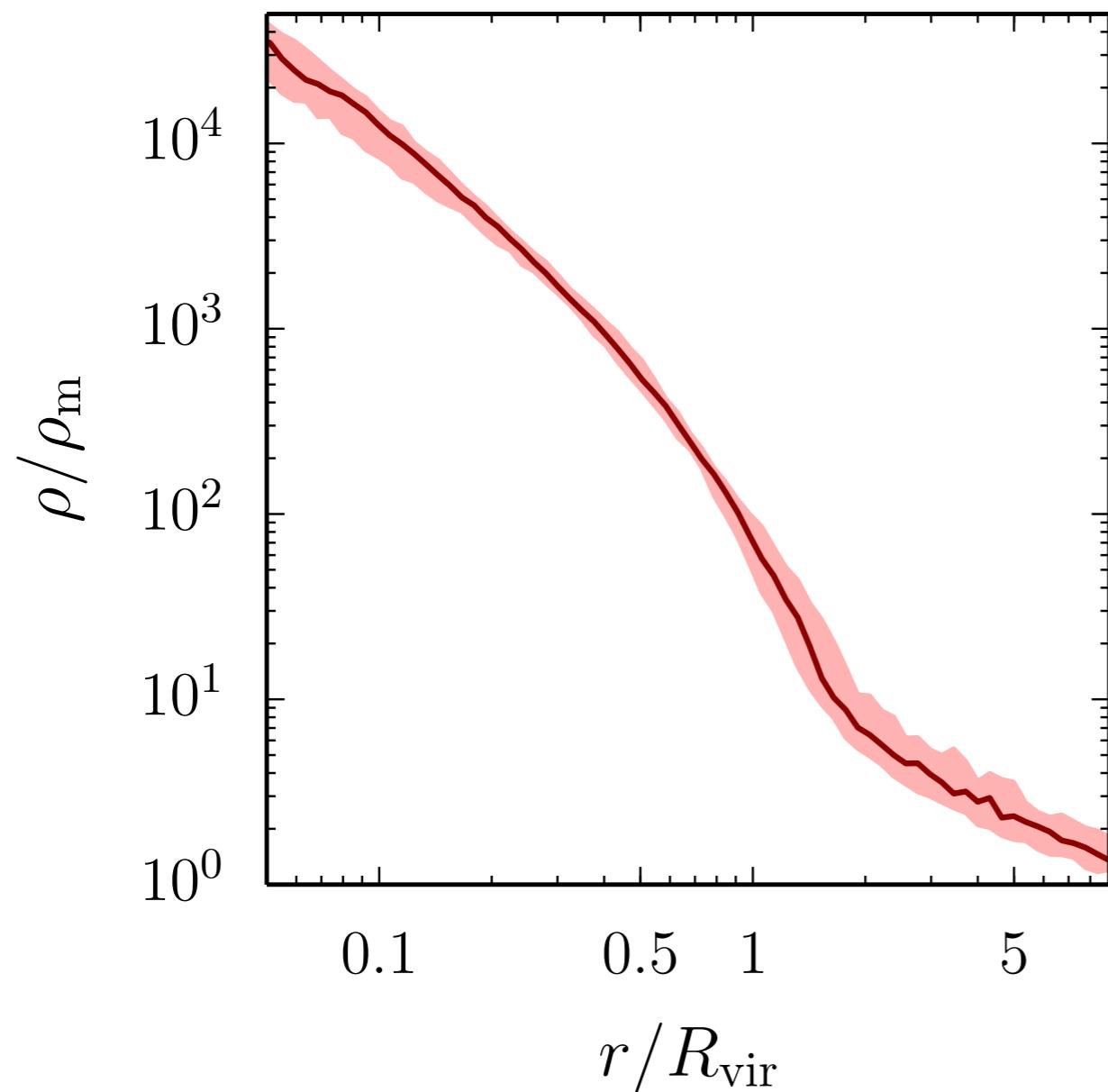


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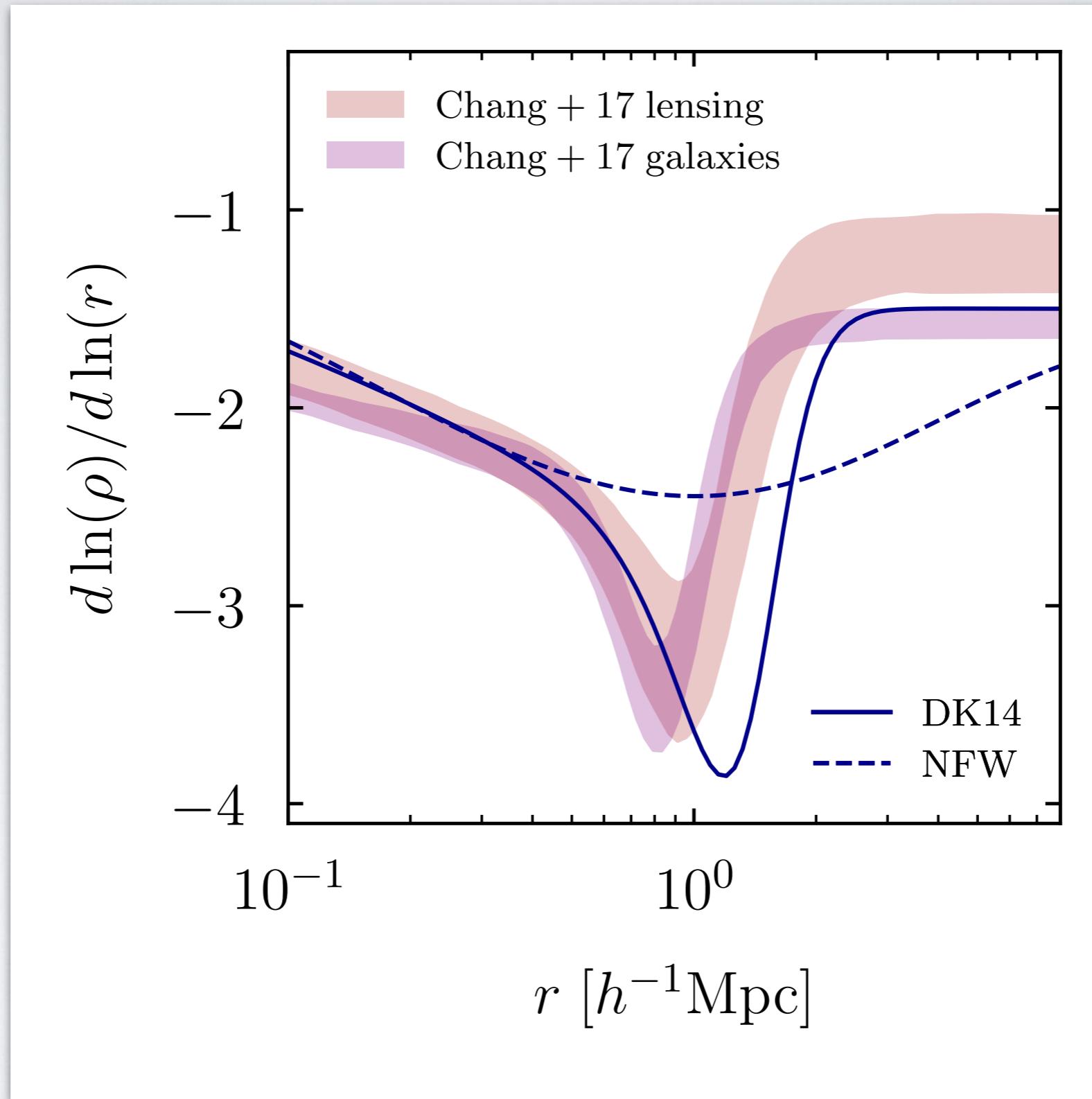


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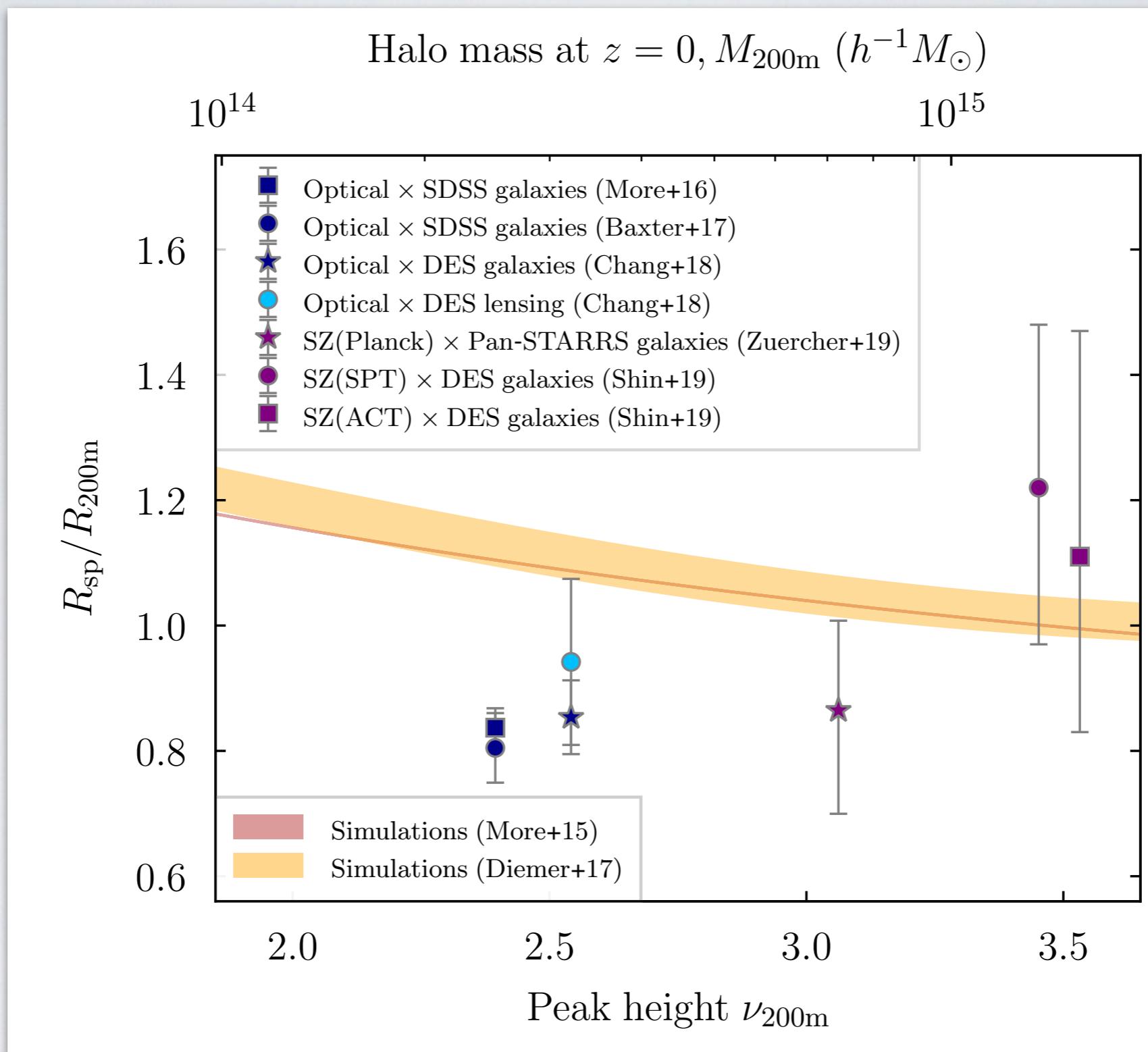
Large halos
($M > 10^{15}$)



Splashback in the real Universe



Splashback in observations and simulations

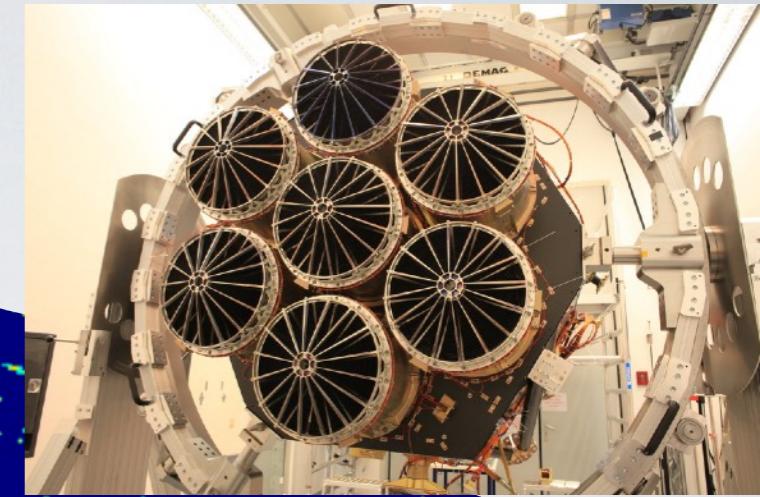
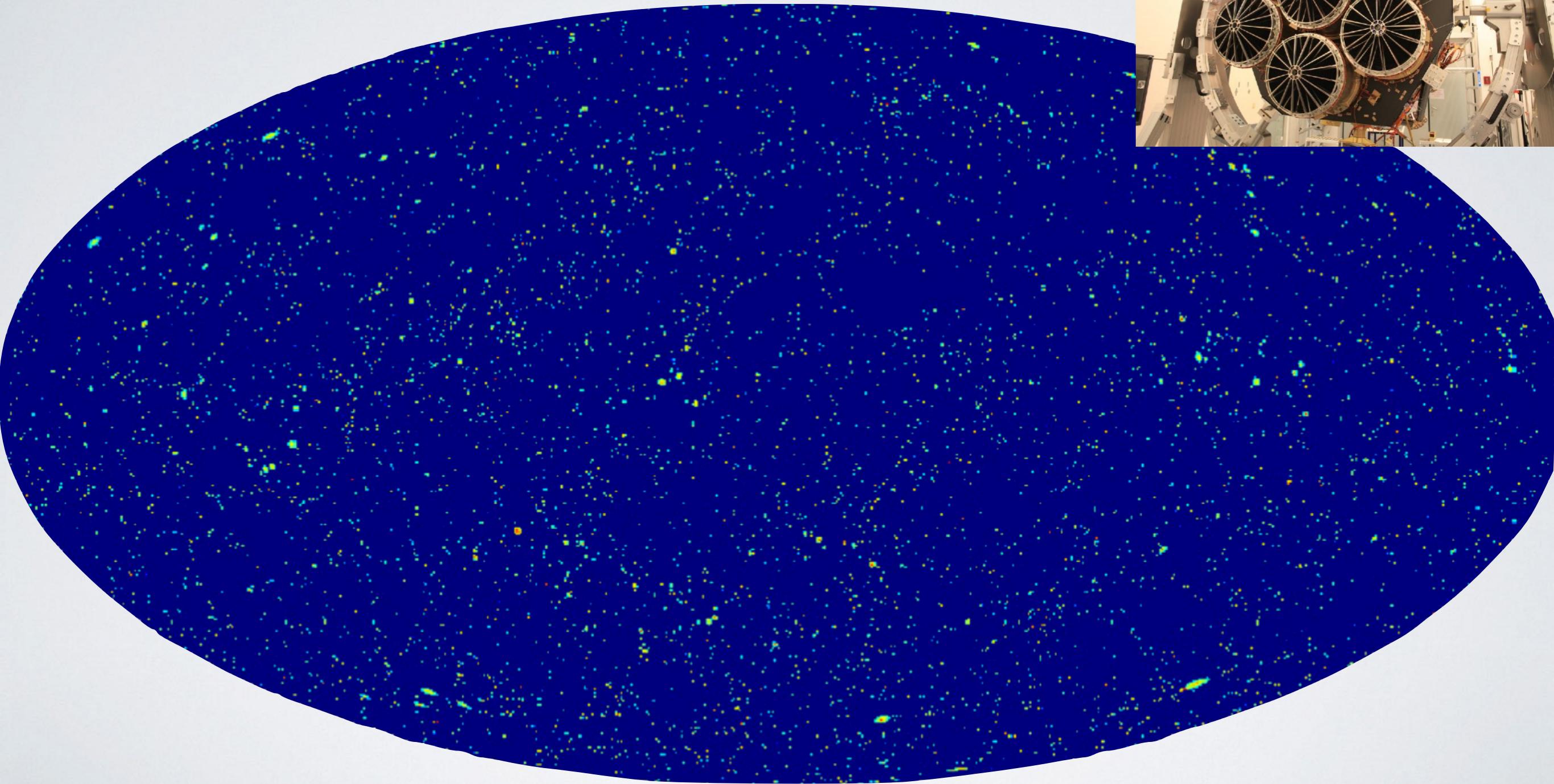


Simulations: More et al. 2015 • Diemer et al. 2017

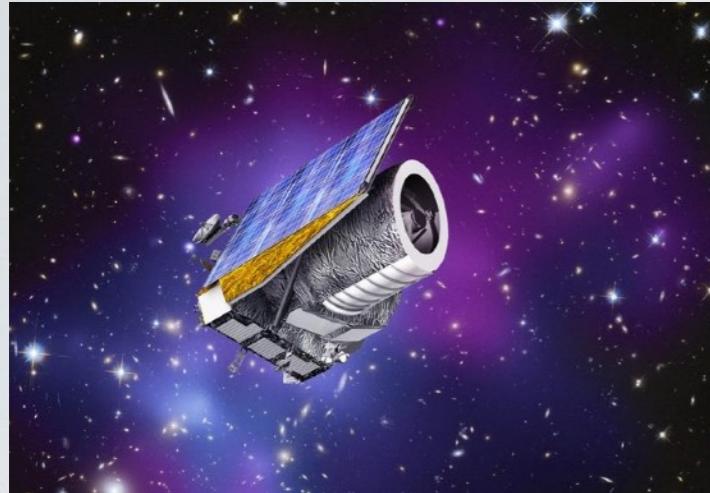
Observations: More et al. 2016 • Baxter et al. 2017 • Chang et al. 2017 • Shin et al. 2019 • Zuercher & More 2019

See also: Tully 2015 • Zu et al. 2017 • Busch & White 2017 • Patej & Loeb 2016 • Umetsu & Diemer 2017

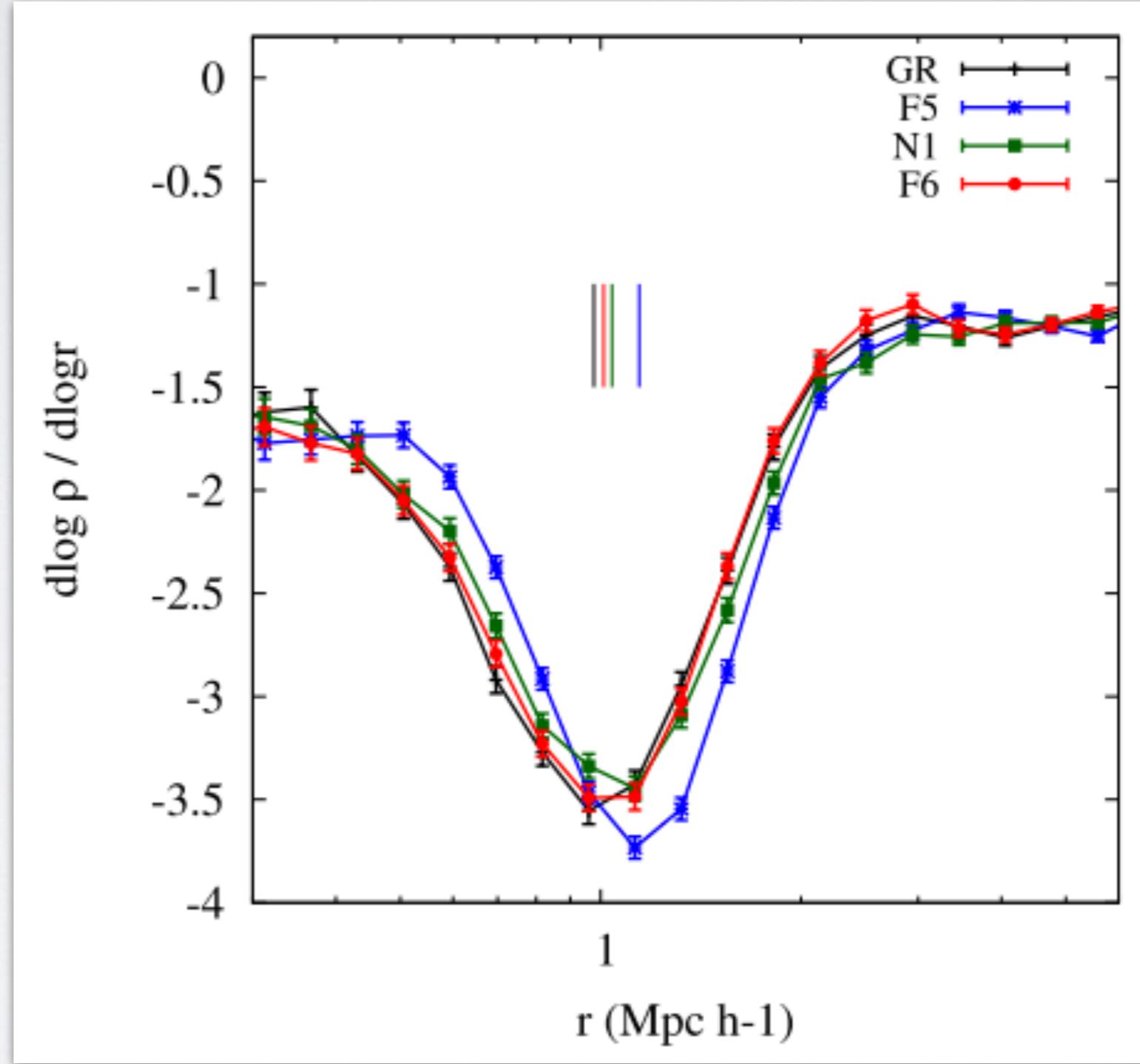
eROSITA X-ray selection



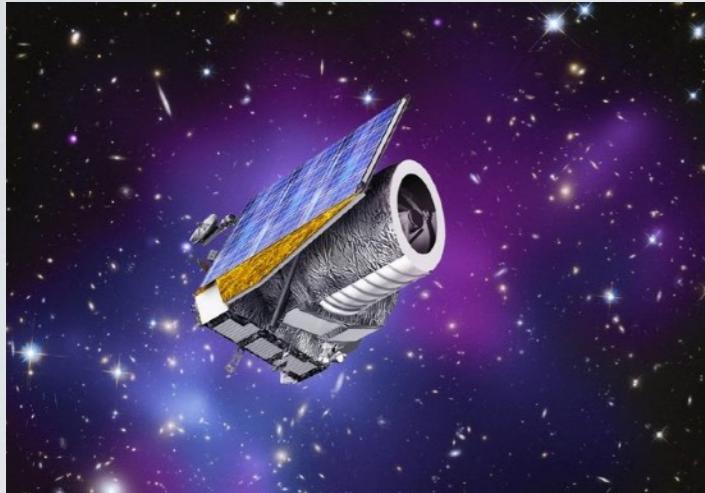
Cosmology with the splashback boundary?



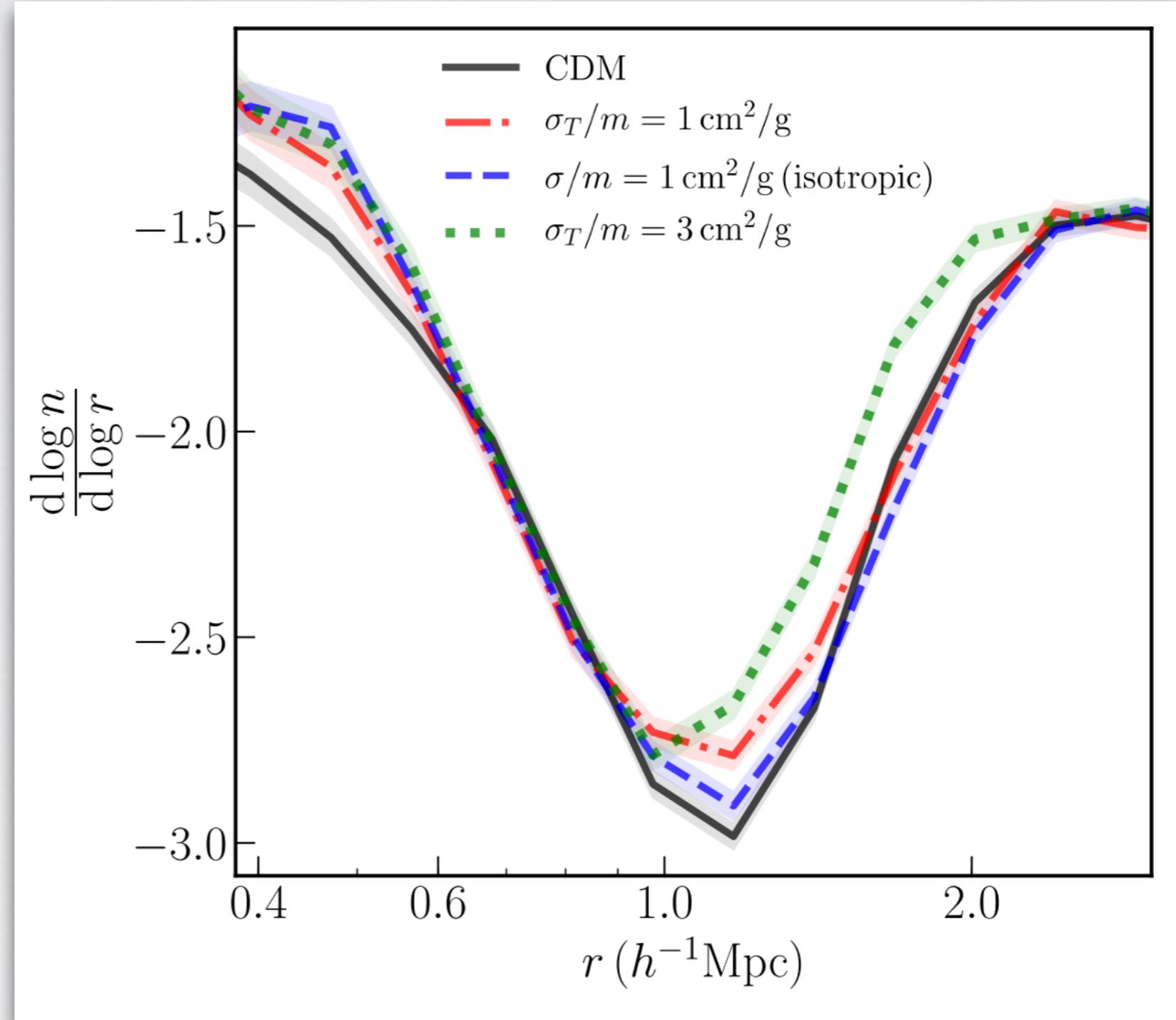
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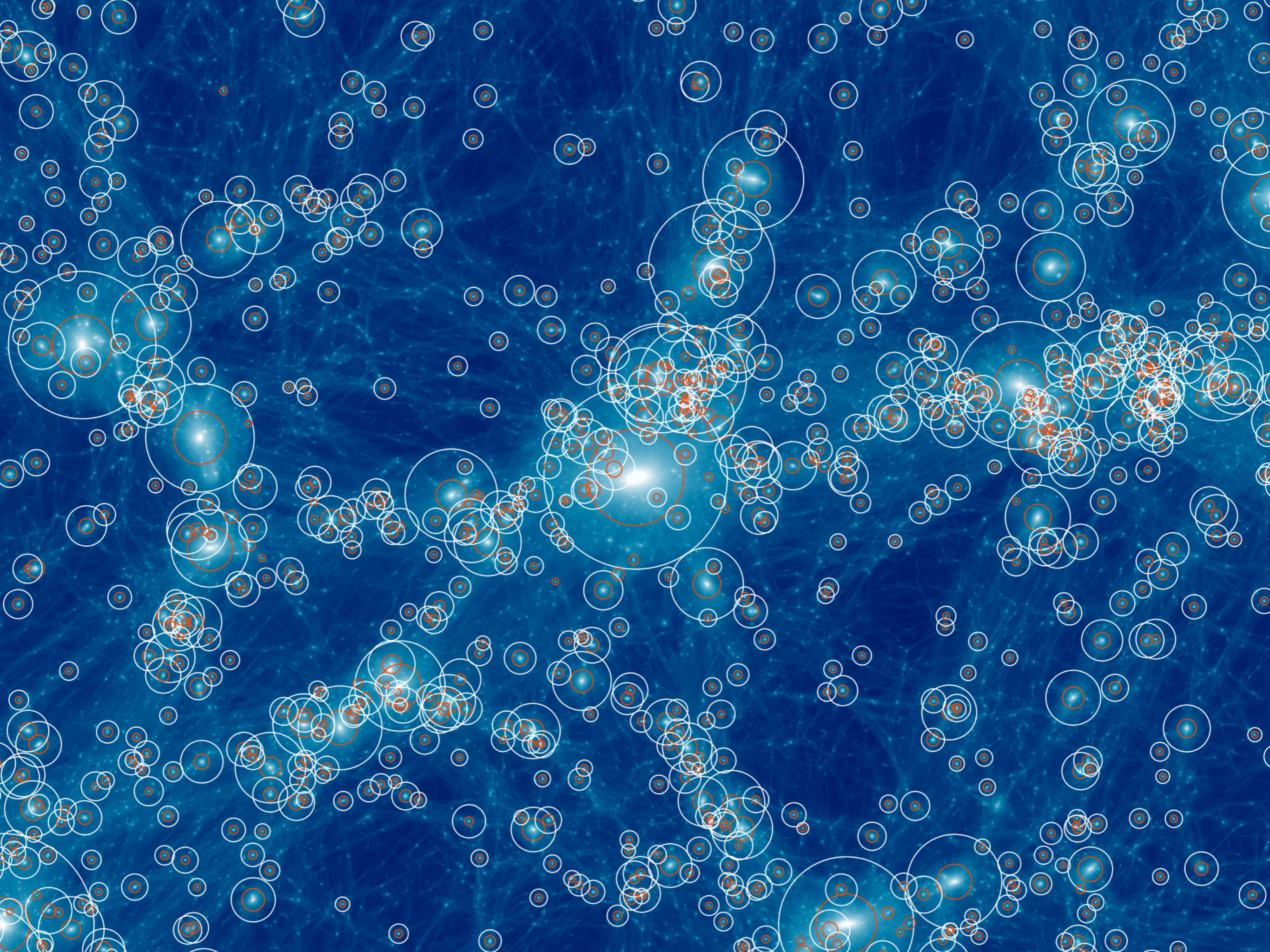


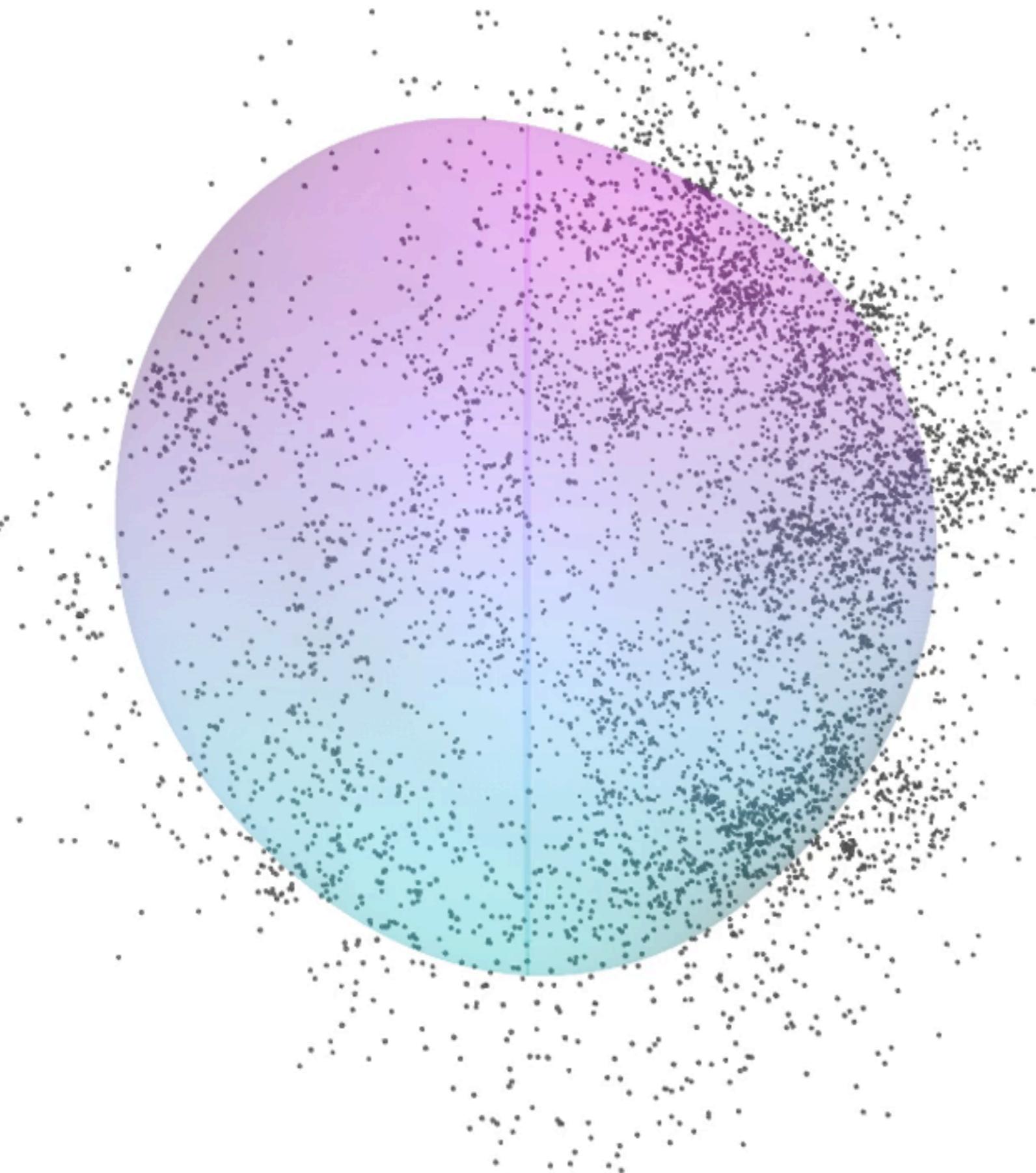
Splashback and SIDM



Euclid







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Conclusions

- The **structure of CDM halos** is not a solved problem, particularly wrt their dynamics
- The **splashback radius** provides a physical halo boundary
- Observations of the halo **outskirts** can tell us about the physics of dark matter and gravity