

The large scale inhomogeneity of the galaxy distribution

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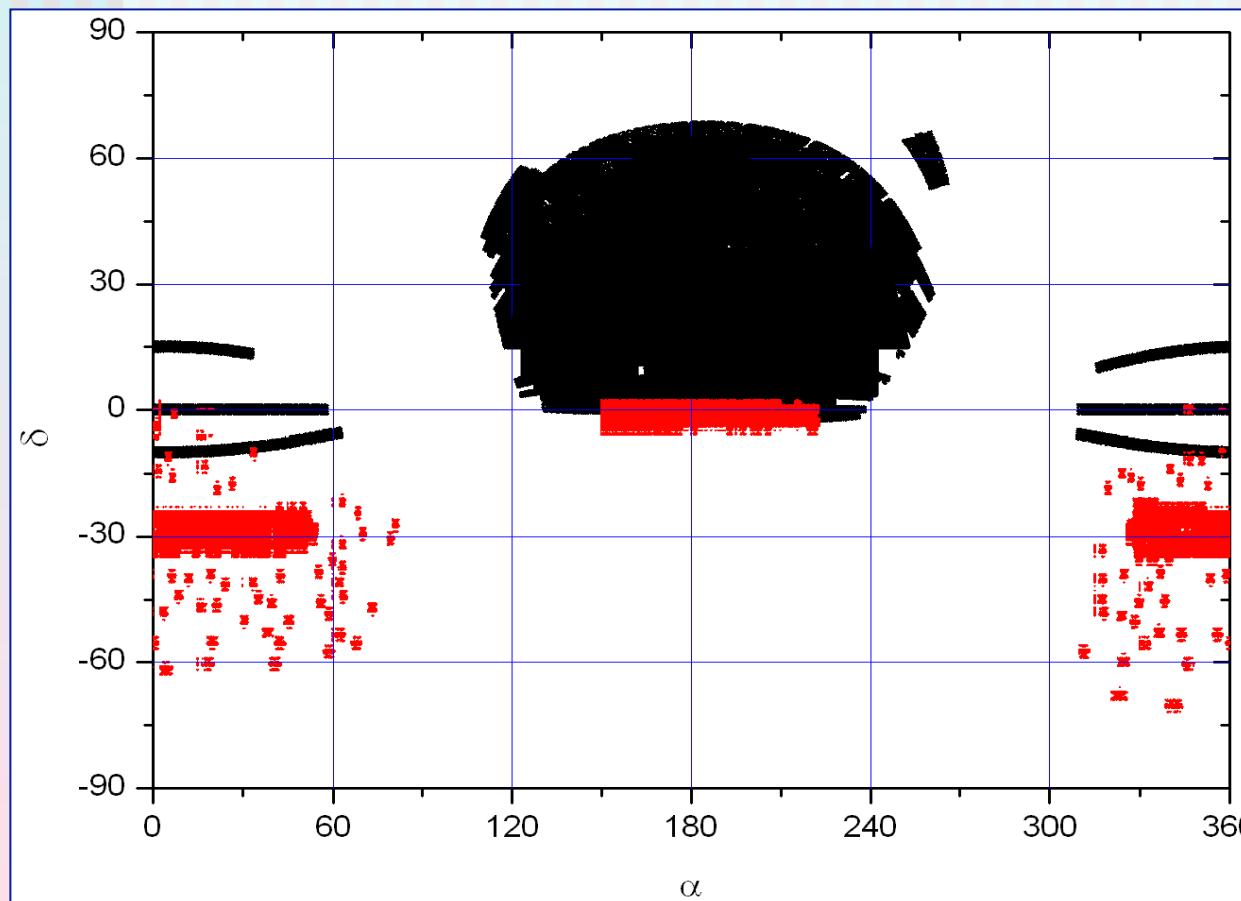
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Galaxy Surveys

- York, D., et al., Astron.J., **120**, (2000) 1579 (<http://www.sdss.org>)
- Colless et al., MNRAS **328** (2001) 1039 (<http://www.mso.anu.edu.au/2dFGRS/>)

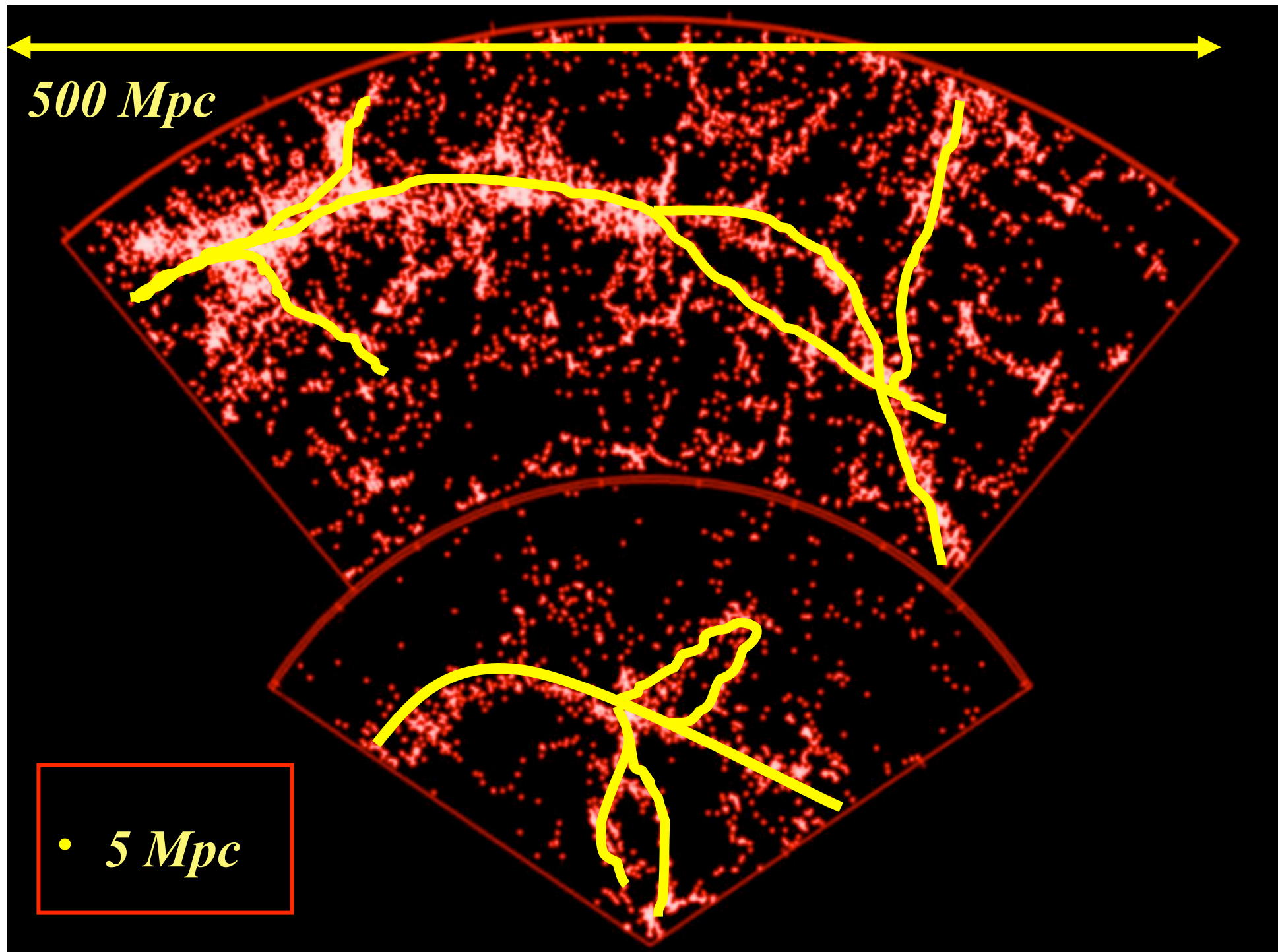


SDSS DR7(2008)

- u,g,r,i,z, $r < 17.7$
- MG sample $\sim 900,000$ galaxies ($z < 0.2$)
- LRG sample $\sim 100,000$ galaxies ($z < 0.6$),
- $A \sim 8000 \text{ deg}^2$

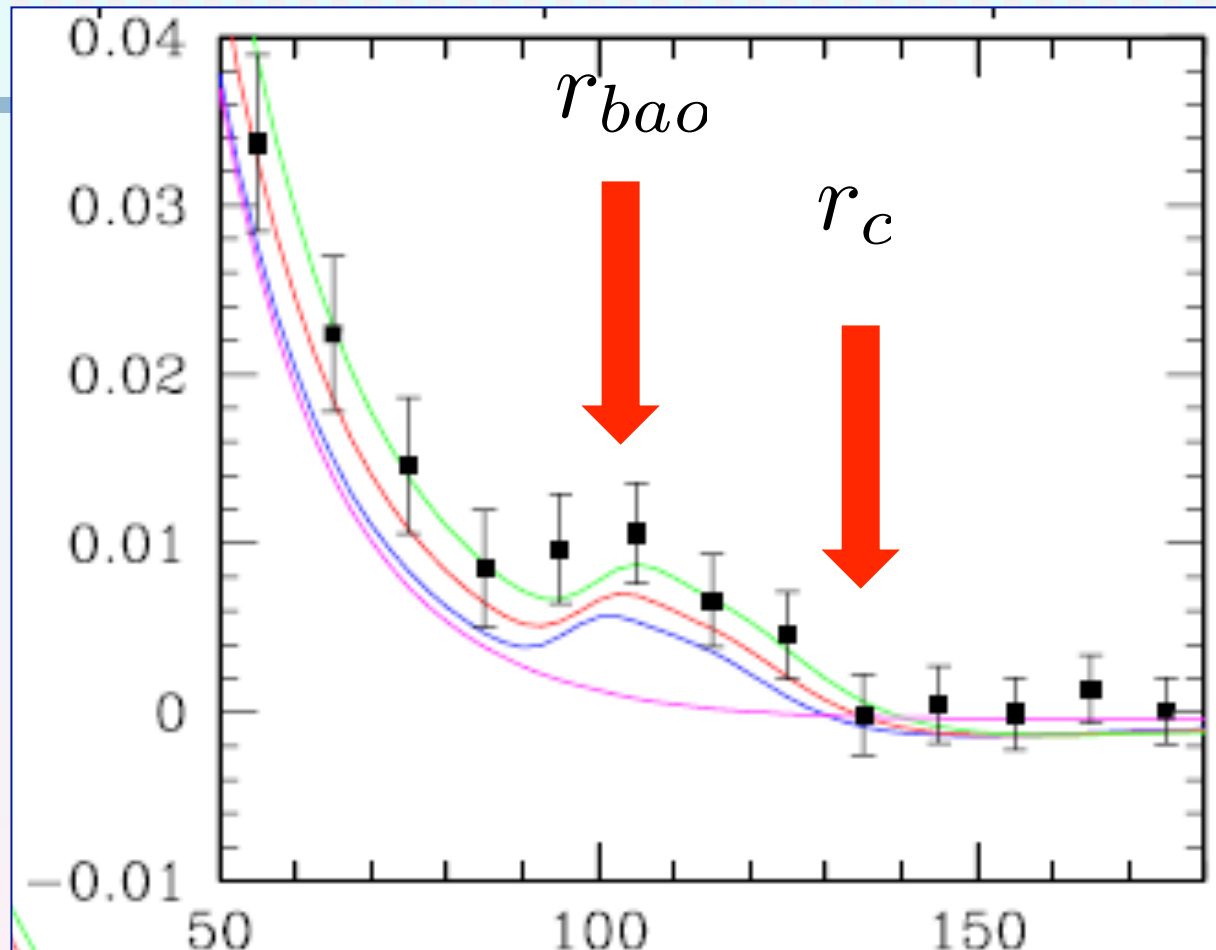
2dFGRS (2006)

- $\sim 245,000$ galaxies
- $b_j < 19.45$
- $z < 0.3$
- $A \sim 1500 \text{ deg}^2$



The BAO scale

- Eisenstein, D.J., et al., 2005, Ap.J., 633, 560



$$\xi(r_0) = 1 \rightarrow r_0 \approx 15 \text{Mpc}/h$$

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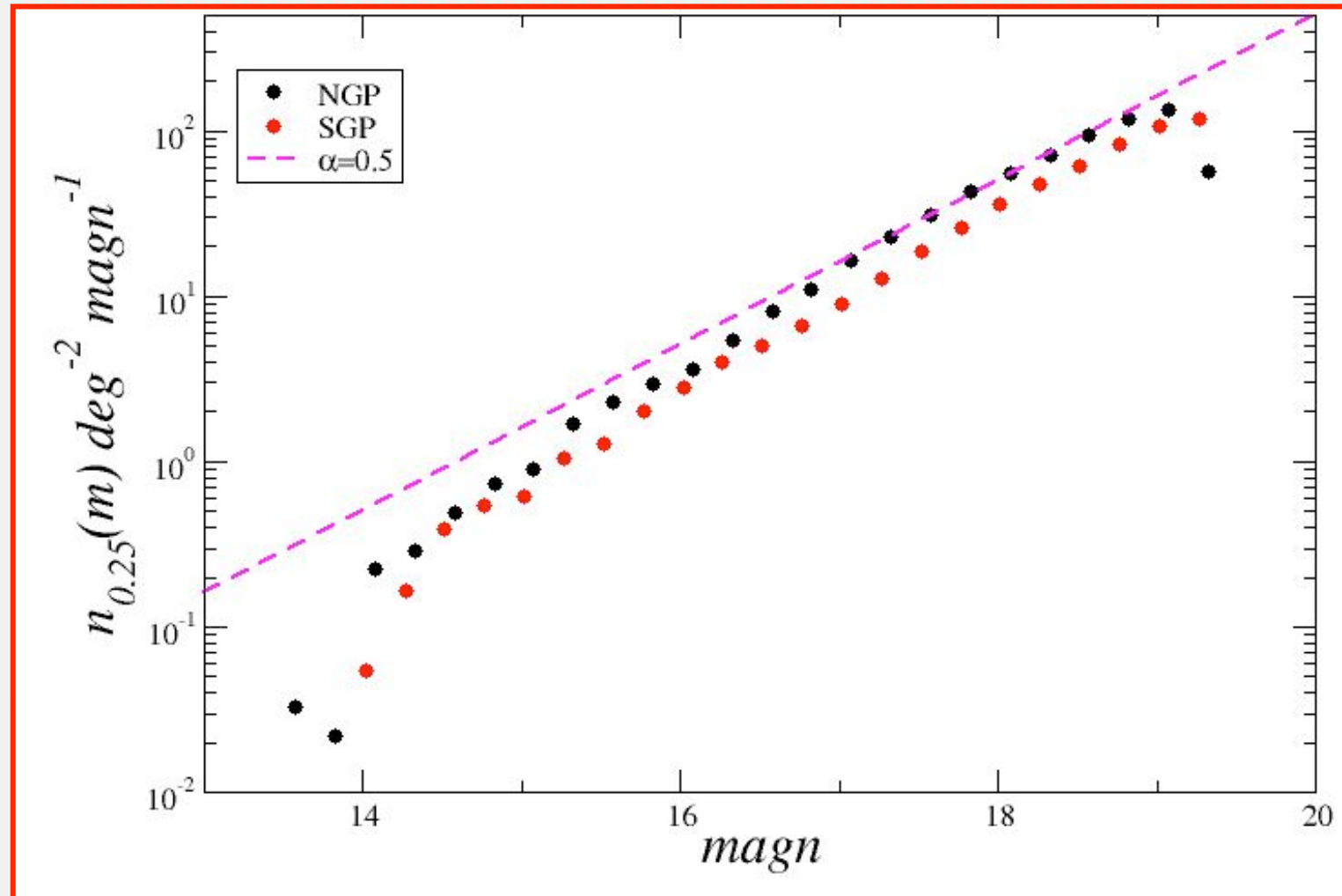
We find conclusive evidence that the Southern counts with $B < 17$ mag are down by ≈ 30 per cent relative to both the Northern counts and to the models of Metcalfe et al in the same magnitude range.

Such a 25 per cent deficiency extending over $\approx 10^7 h^{-3} \text{ Mpc}^3$ may imply that the galaxy correlation function's power-law behaviour extends to $\approx 150 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$ with no break and show more excess large-scale power than detected in the 2dFGRS correlation function or expected in the Λ CDM cosmology.

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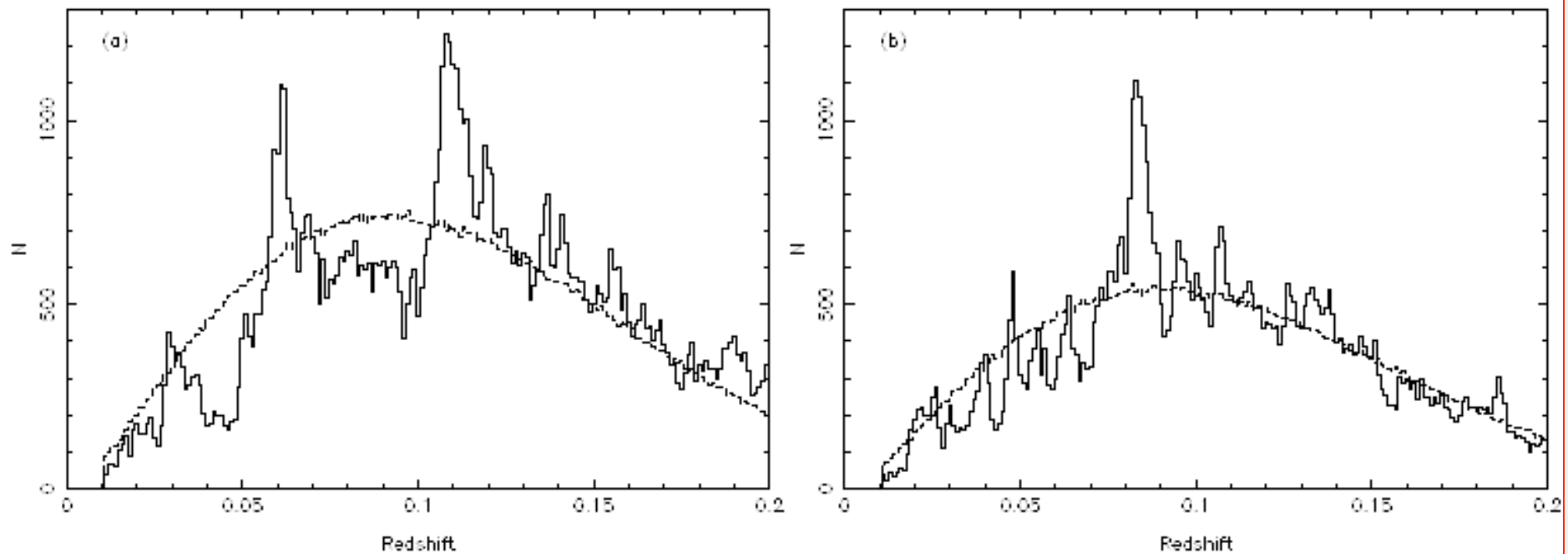
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Large scale fluctuations from the 2dFGRS

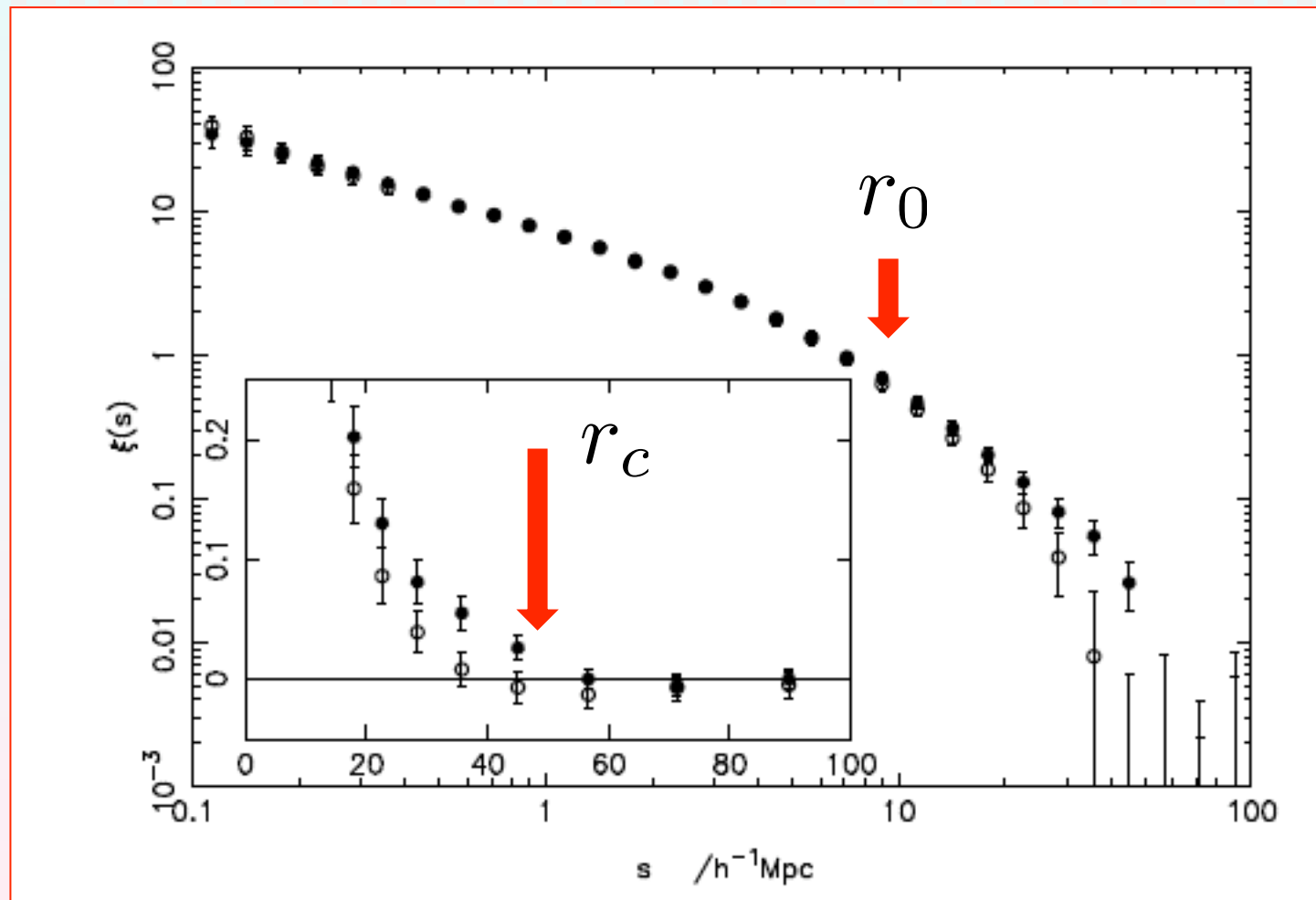
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The 2dFGRS: correlation functions, peculiar velocities and the matter density of the Universe



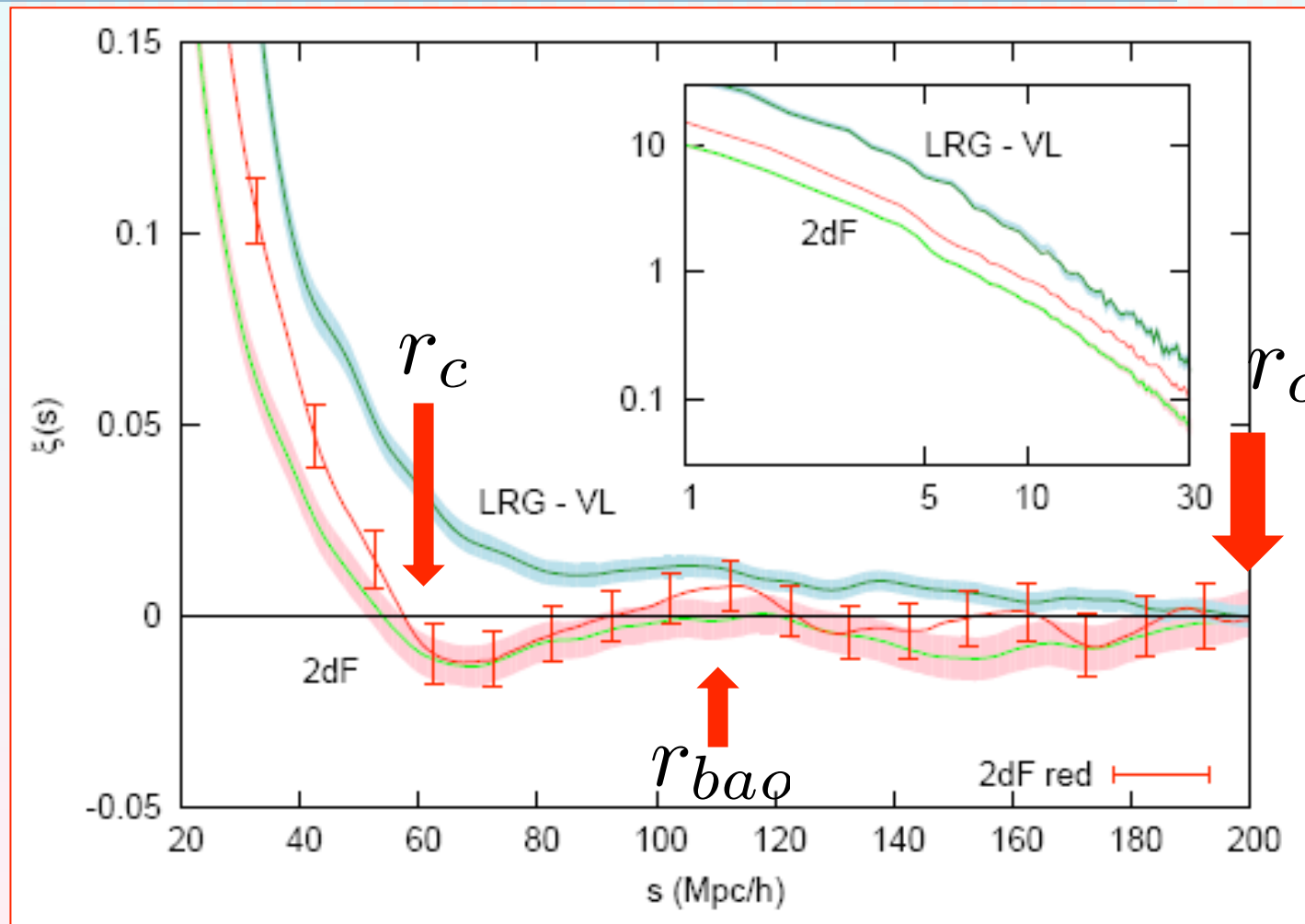
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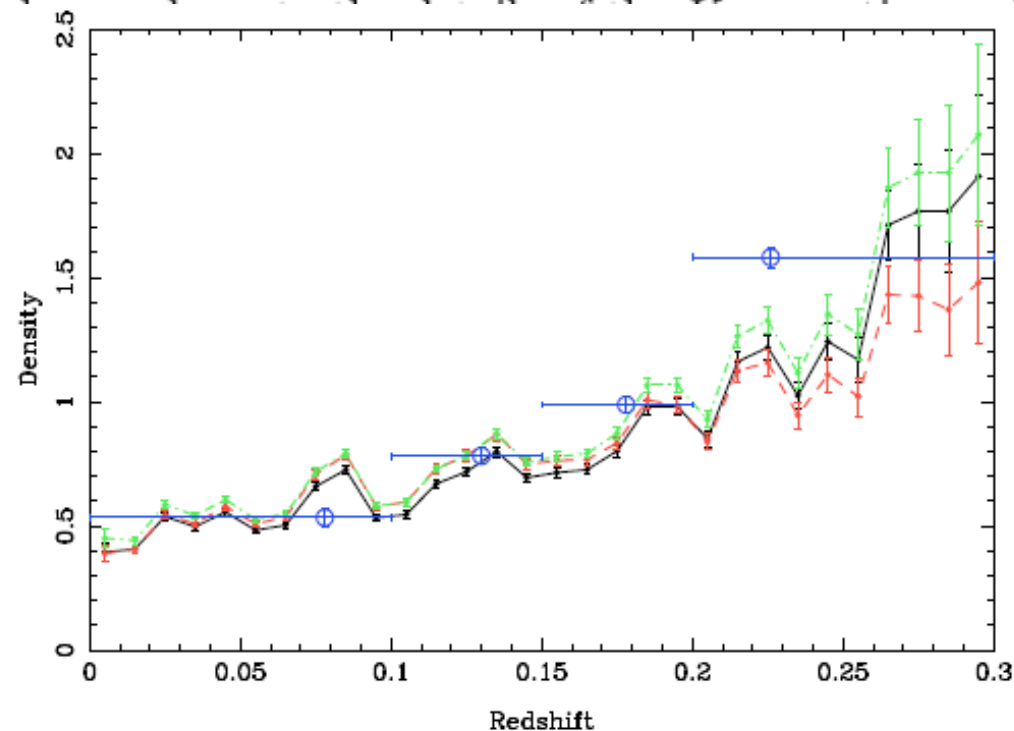


SDSS

• Loveday (2004) MNRAS, **347**, 601

ABSTRACT

We measure the redshift-dependent luminosity function and the comoving radial density of galaxies in the Sloan Digital Sky Survey Data Release 1 (SDSS DR1). Both measurements indicate that the apparent number density of bright galaxies increases by a factor ≈ 3 as redshift increases from $z = 0$ to $z = 0.3$. This result is robust

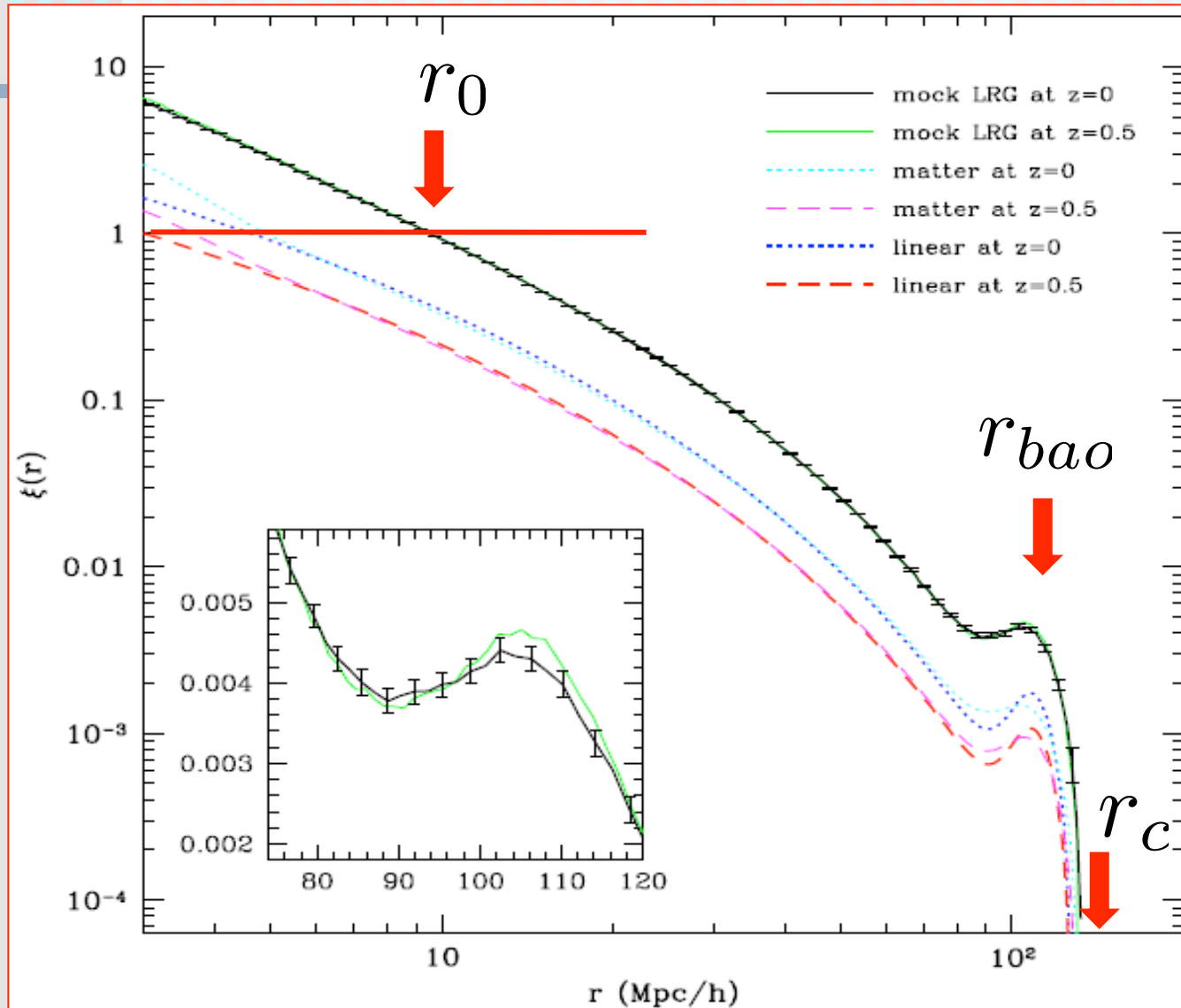


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Standard cosmological models of structure formation

- Kim, J., Park, C., Gott, J.R., Dubinski, J. 2009 arXiv0812.1392

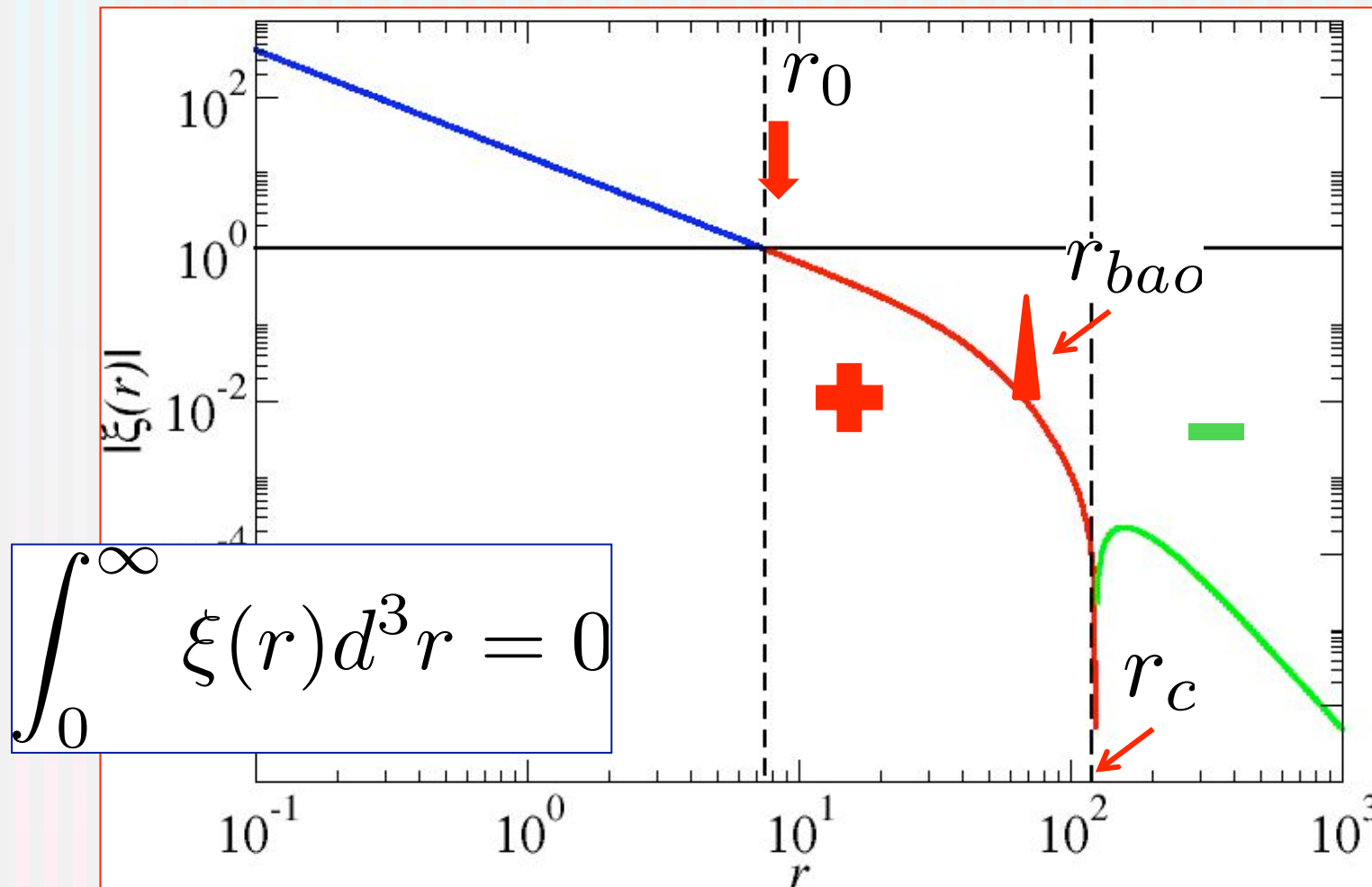


$$\xi(r, t) = A(t)\xi(r, 0)$$

$$\xi^b(r, t) = b^2\xi(r, t)$$

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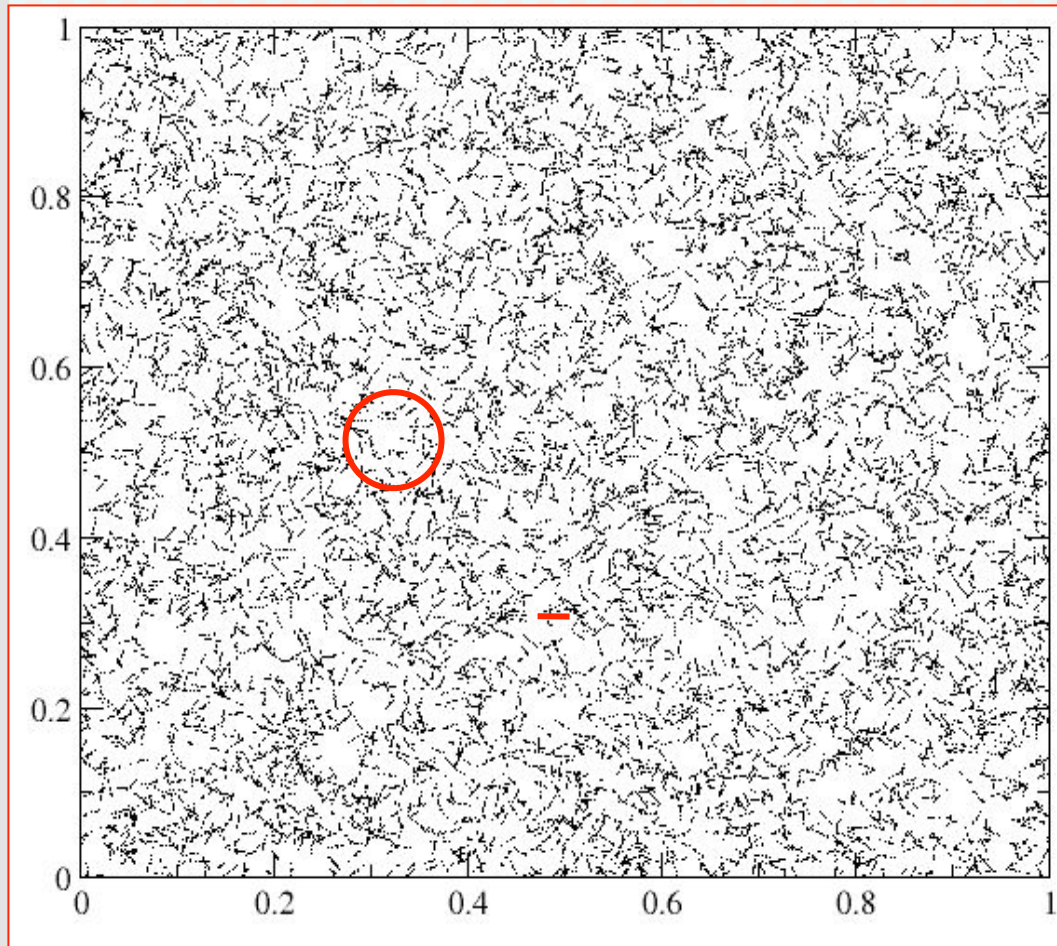


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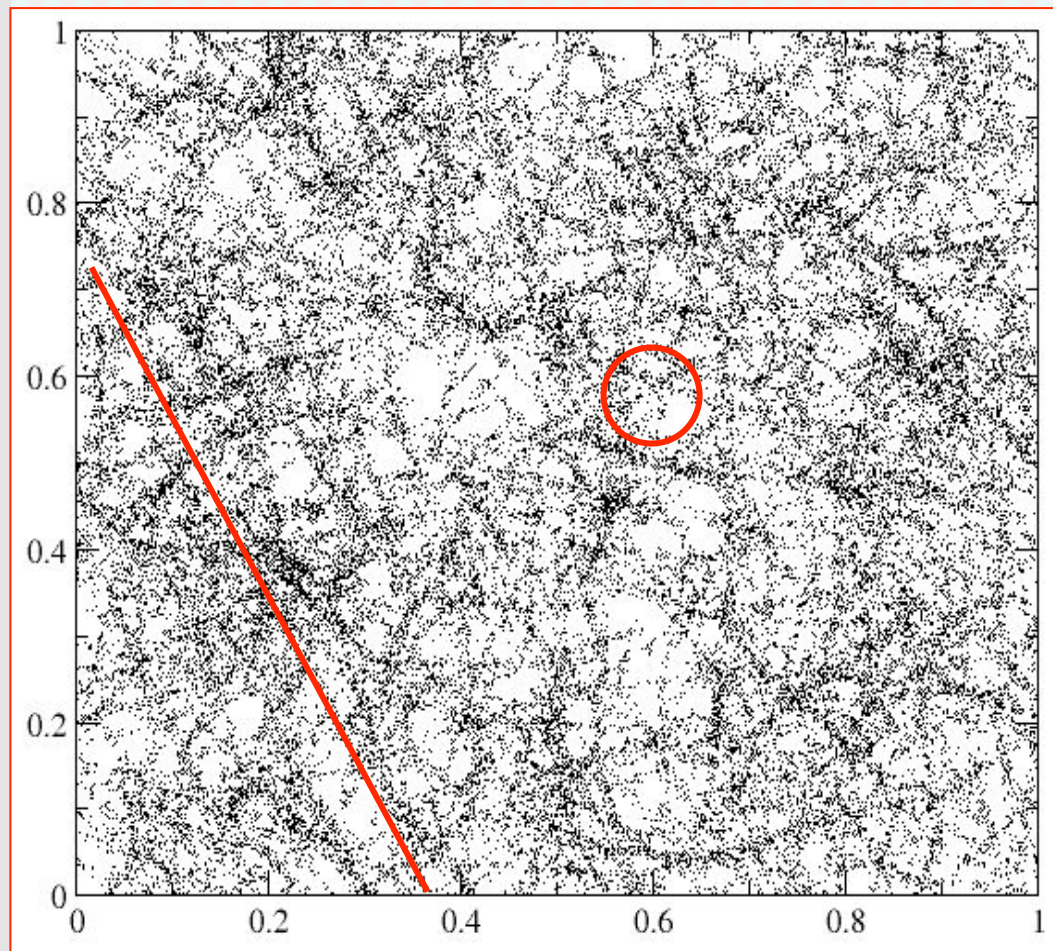


$$\bar{n} \approx \text{const}$$

$$\xi(r) \sim \exp(-r/r_c)$$

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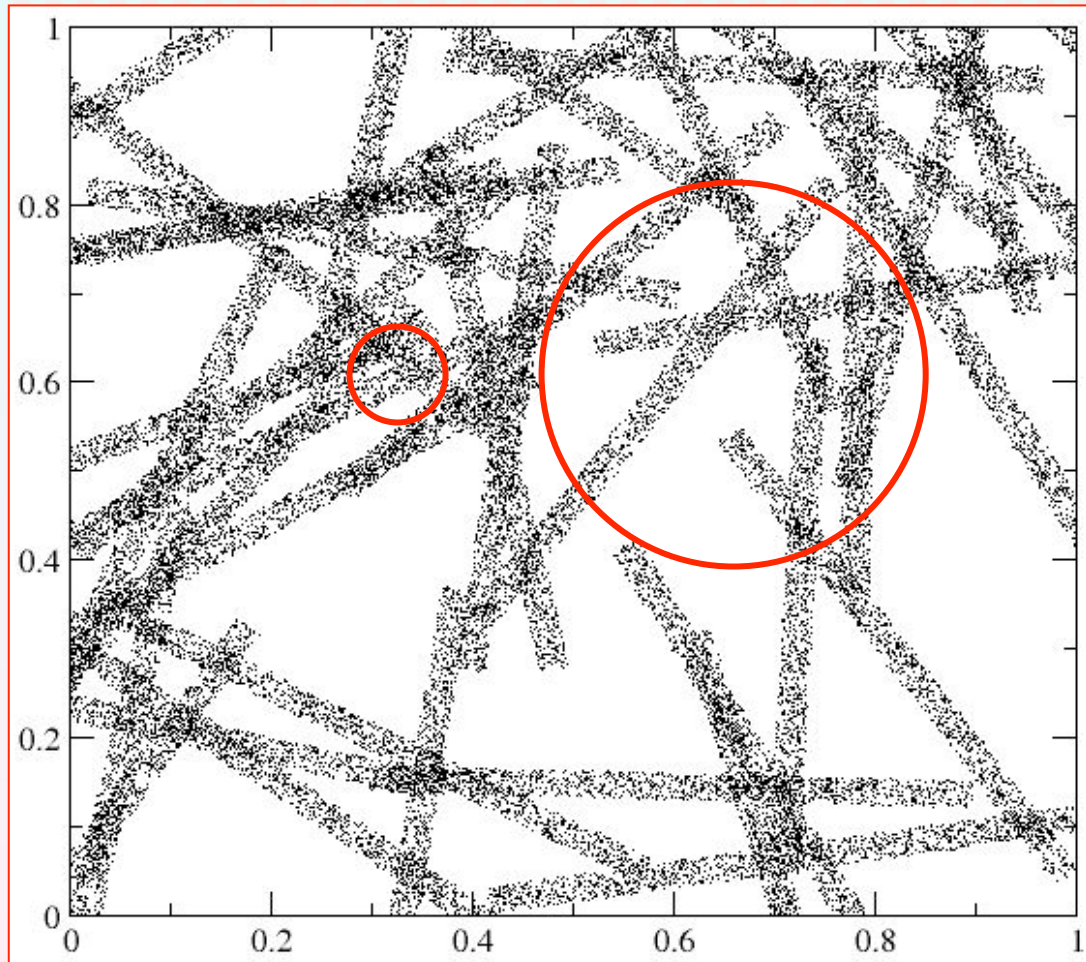


$$\bar{n} \approx \text{const}$$

$$\xi(r) > 0 \quad \forall \quad r \leq 1$$

Clustering, Correlation and Structures

- Non-uniform and self-averaging

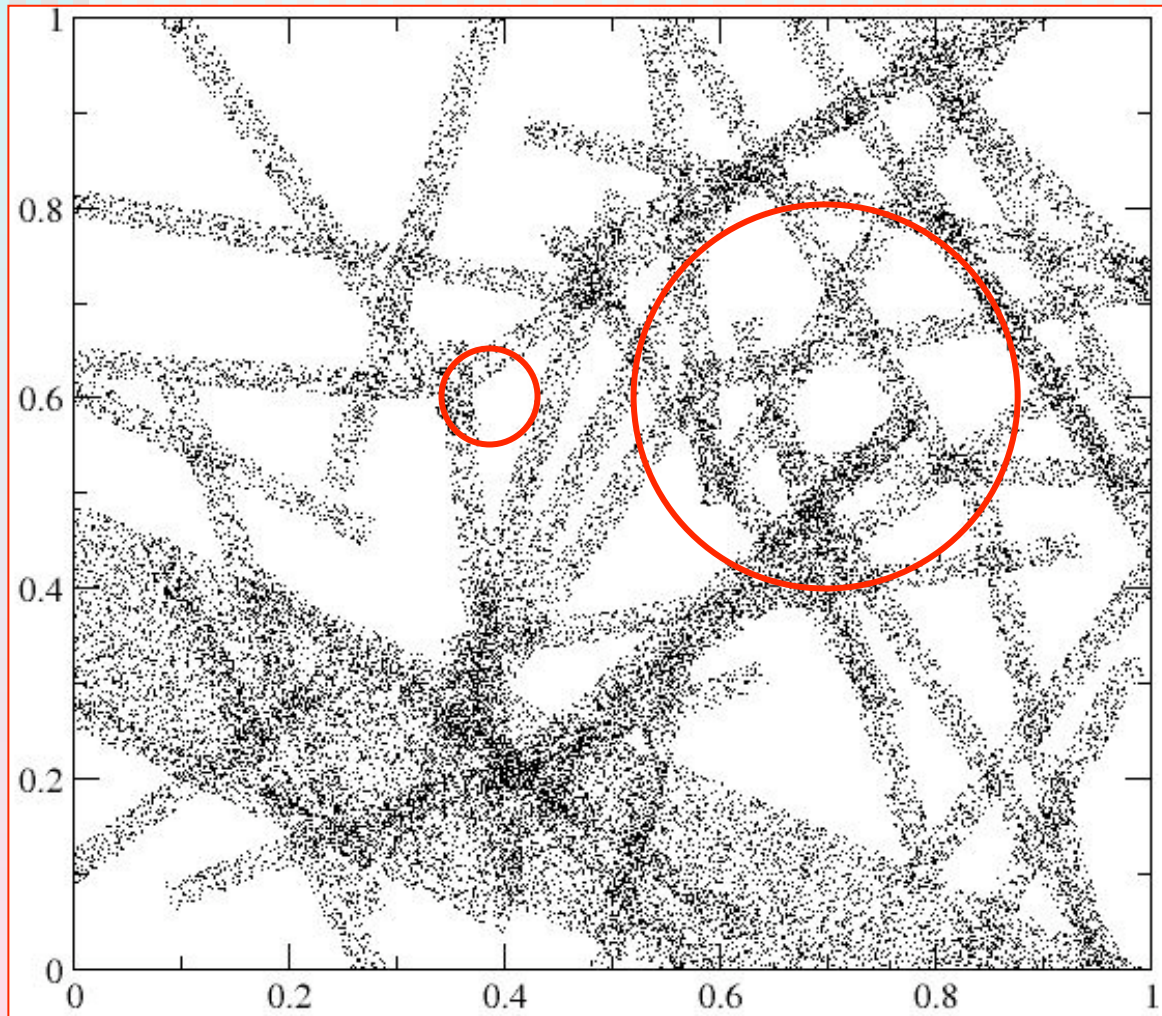


$$\bar{n} = \text{OK}$$

$$P(N, r) \approx \text{stable}$$

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$$\bar{n} = ?$$

$$P(N, r) = ?$$

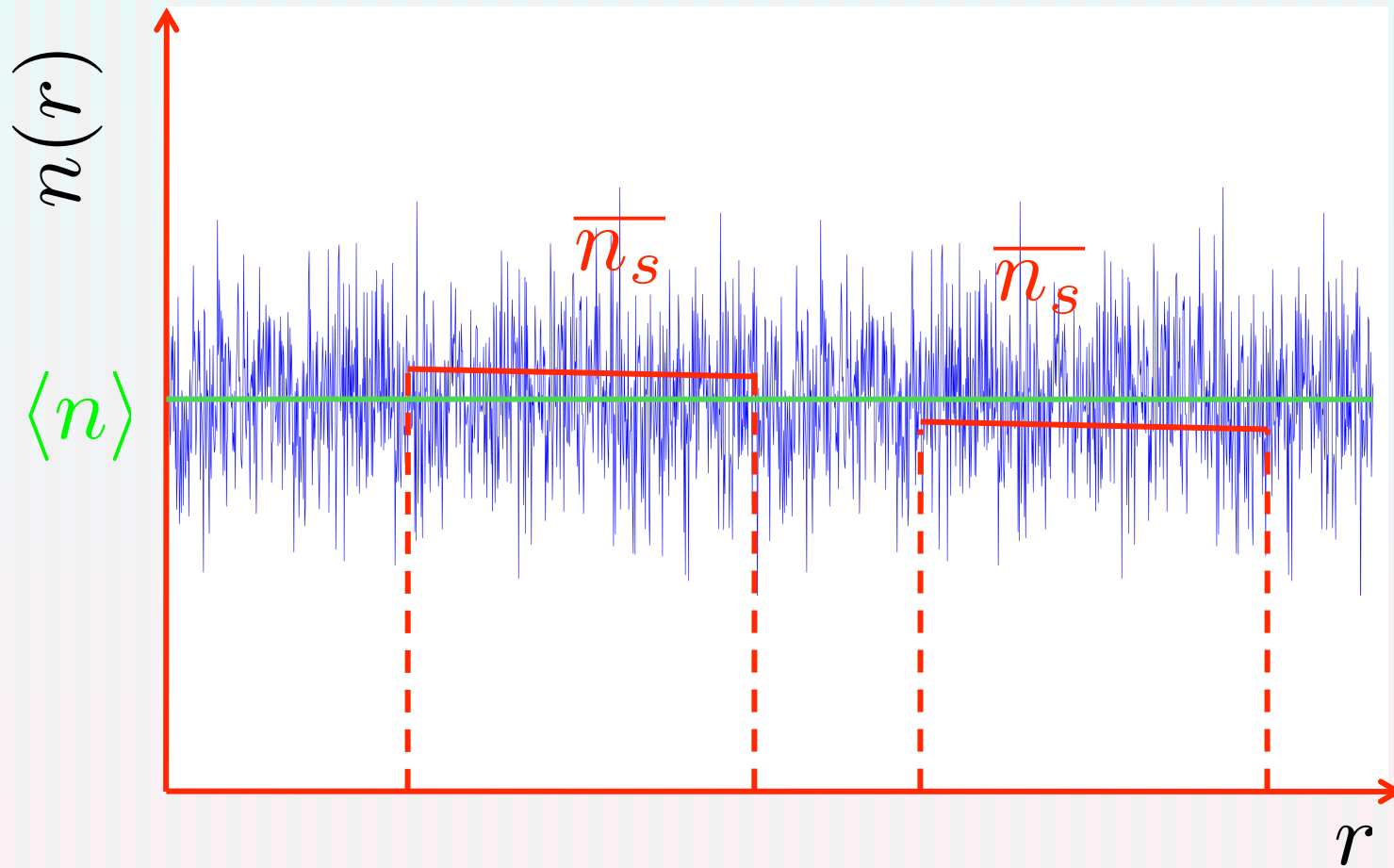
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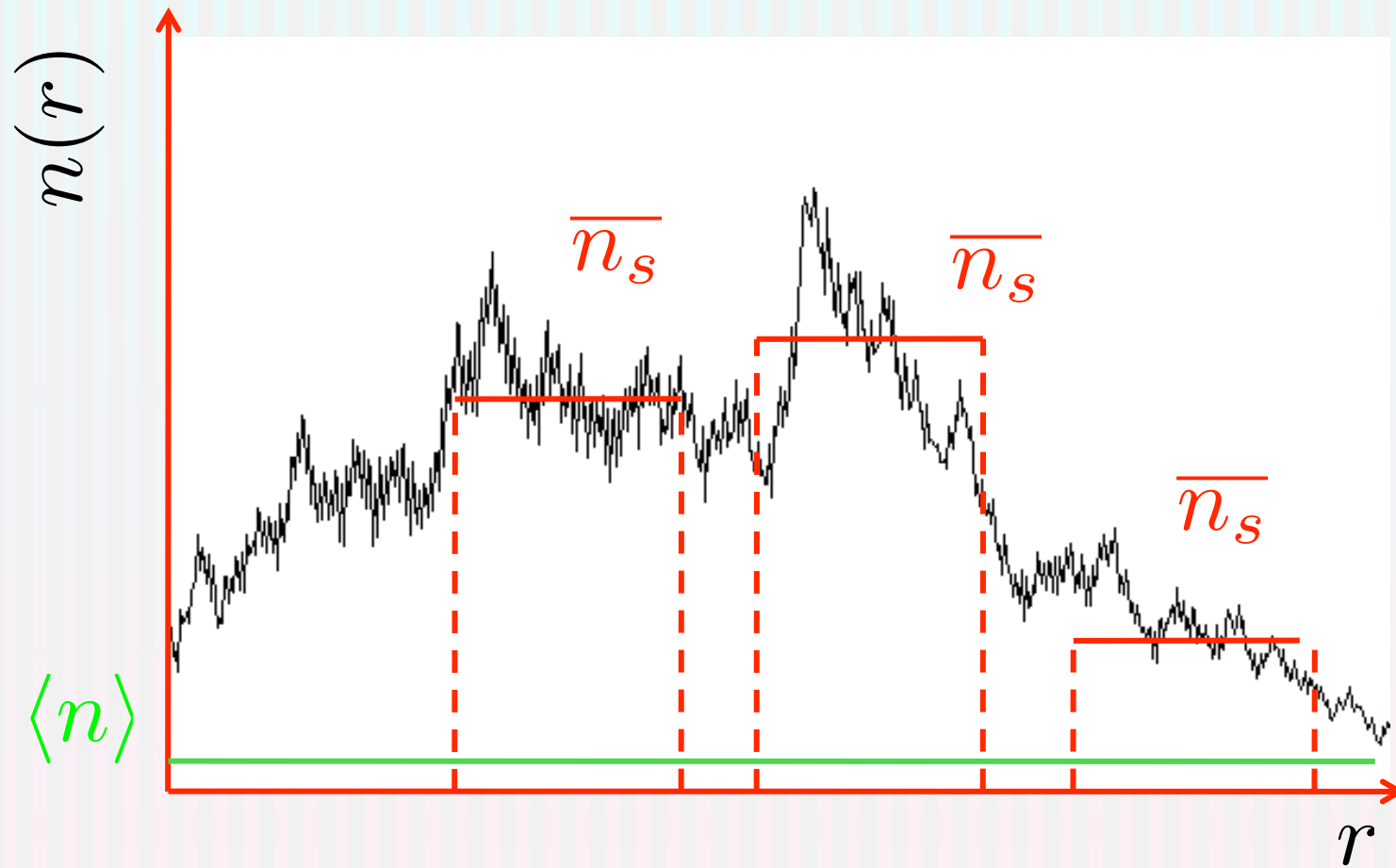
Q2: How can one study the case in which one does not know whether the average density is well defined ?

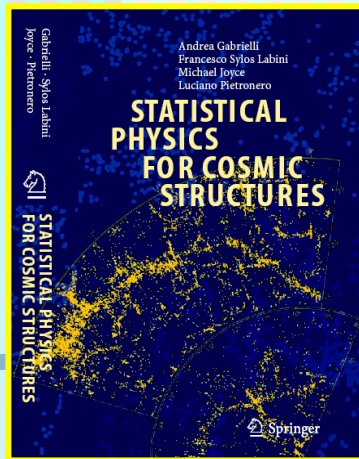
Conditional (local) vs. unconditional (global) properties

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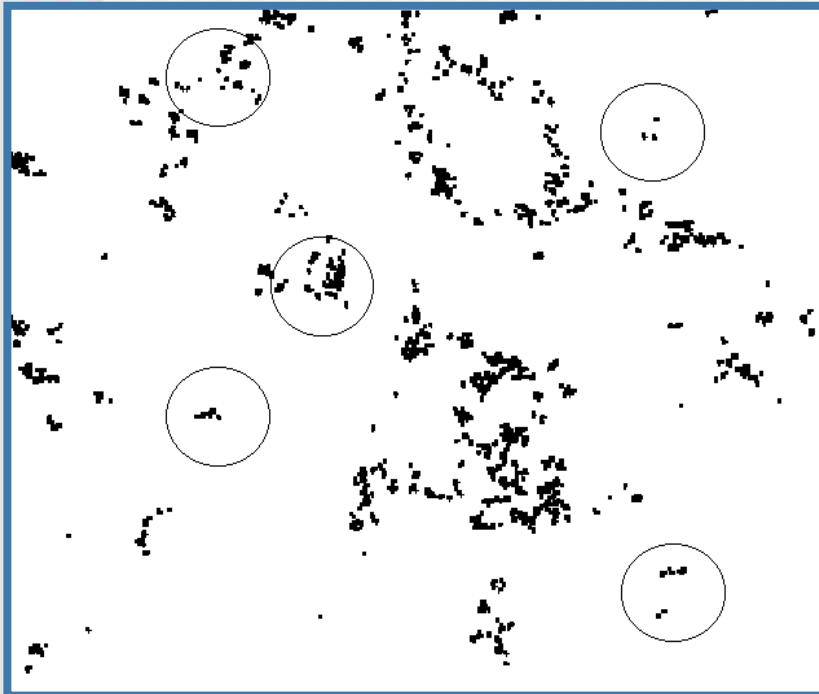
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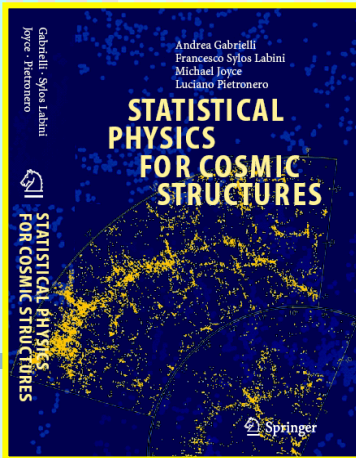


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$$\langle N(r) \rangle_P = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M N_i(r)$$



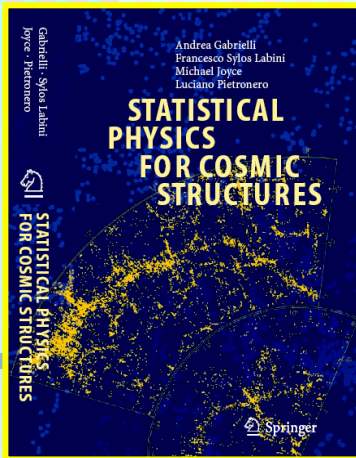
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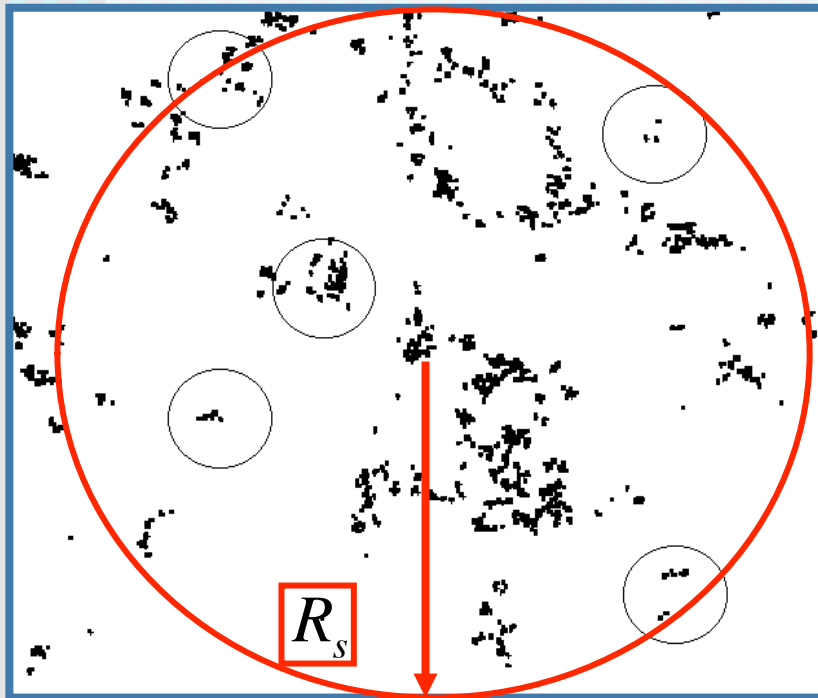
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$$n(r^*) = \frac{M}{V}$$



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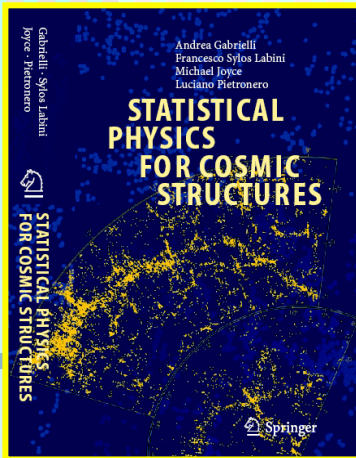
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$$\langle N(r) \rangle_P = \frac{1}{M(r)} \sum_{i=1}^{M(r)} N_i(r) = Br^D$$

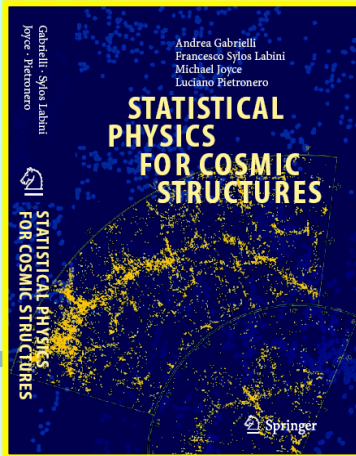
$$\xi(r, R_s) = \frac{\langle n(r) \rangle_p}{n(R_s)} - 1 = \frac{D}{3} \left(\frac{r}{R_s} \right)^{D-3} - 1$$



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$$\langle N(r) \rangle_P = \begin{cases} r^D \rightarrow r < \lambda_0 \\ r^3 \rightarrow r > \lambda_0 \end{cases} \quad \text{Homogeneity scale}$$



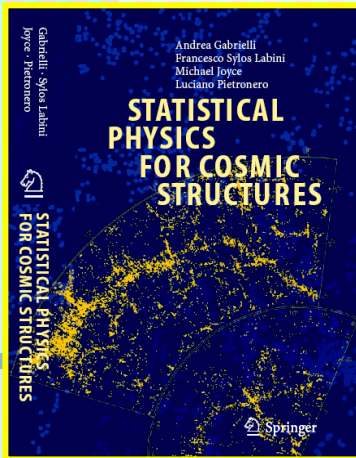
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$$\lambda_0 \Leftrightarrow \xi(r_0) = 1$$

$$\xi(r) \approx \exp\left(-\frac{r}{r_c}\right) \quad \text{Correlation length....}$$

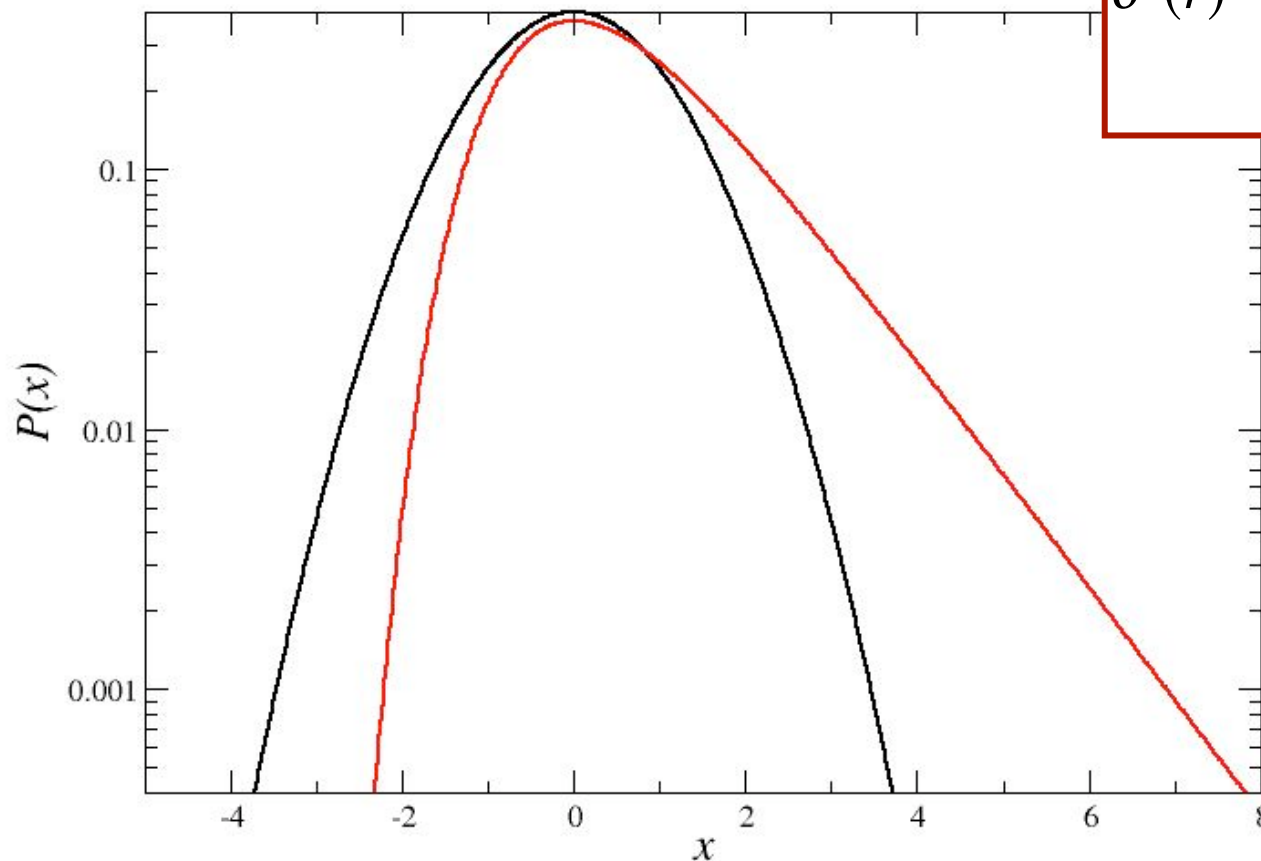


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$$\delta^2(r) = \frac{\langle N(r)^2 \rangle - \langle N(r) \rangle^2}{\langle N(r) \rangle^2} \begin{cases} \ll 1 \\ \sim 1 \end{cases}$$



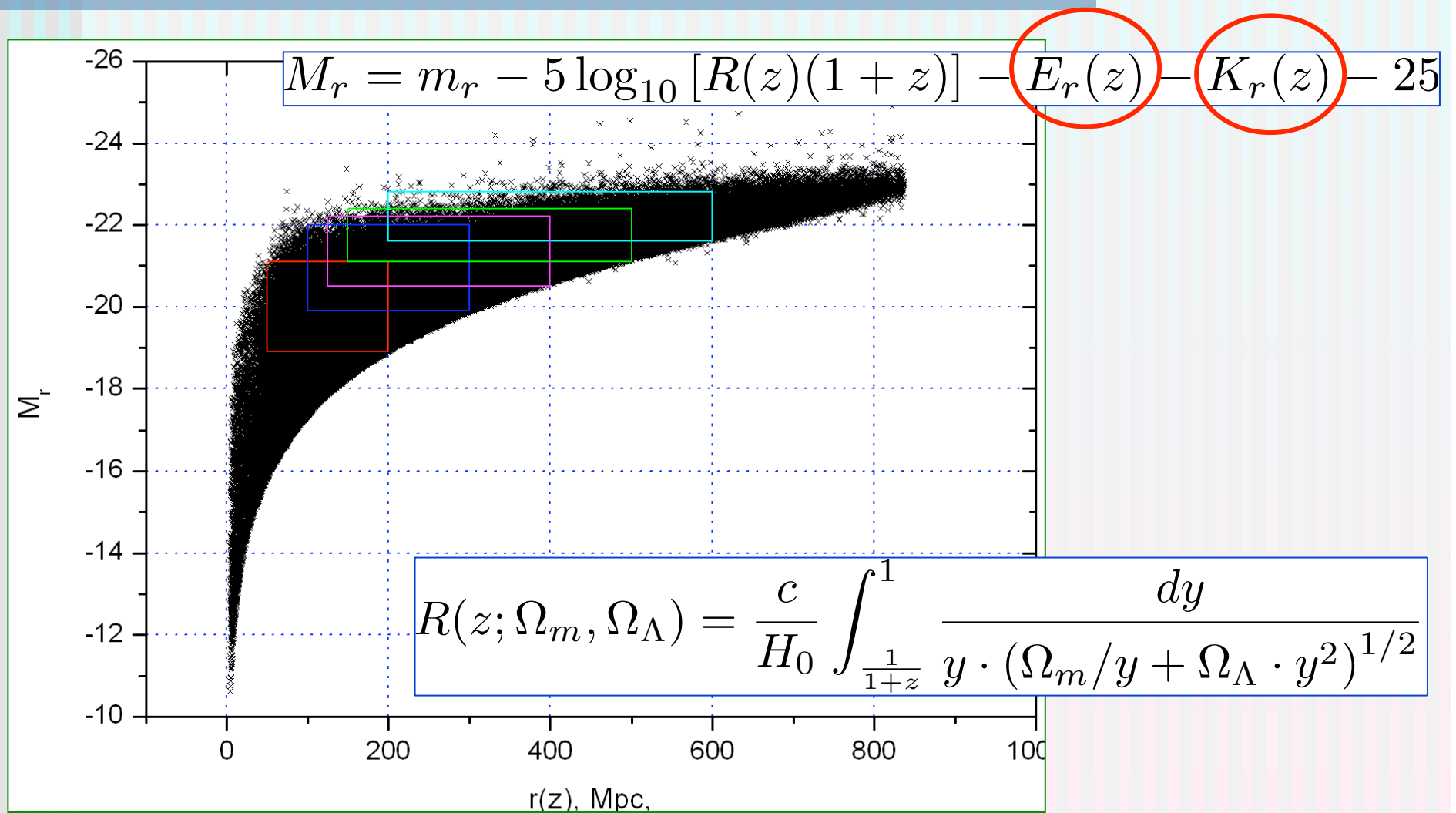
Homogeneous
(Gaussian)

Inhomogeneous
(long tails,
large variance)

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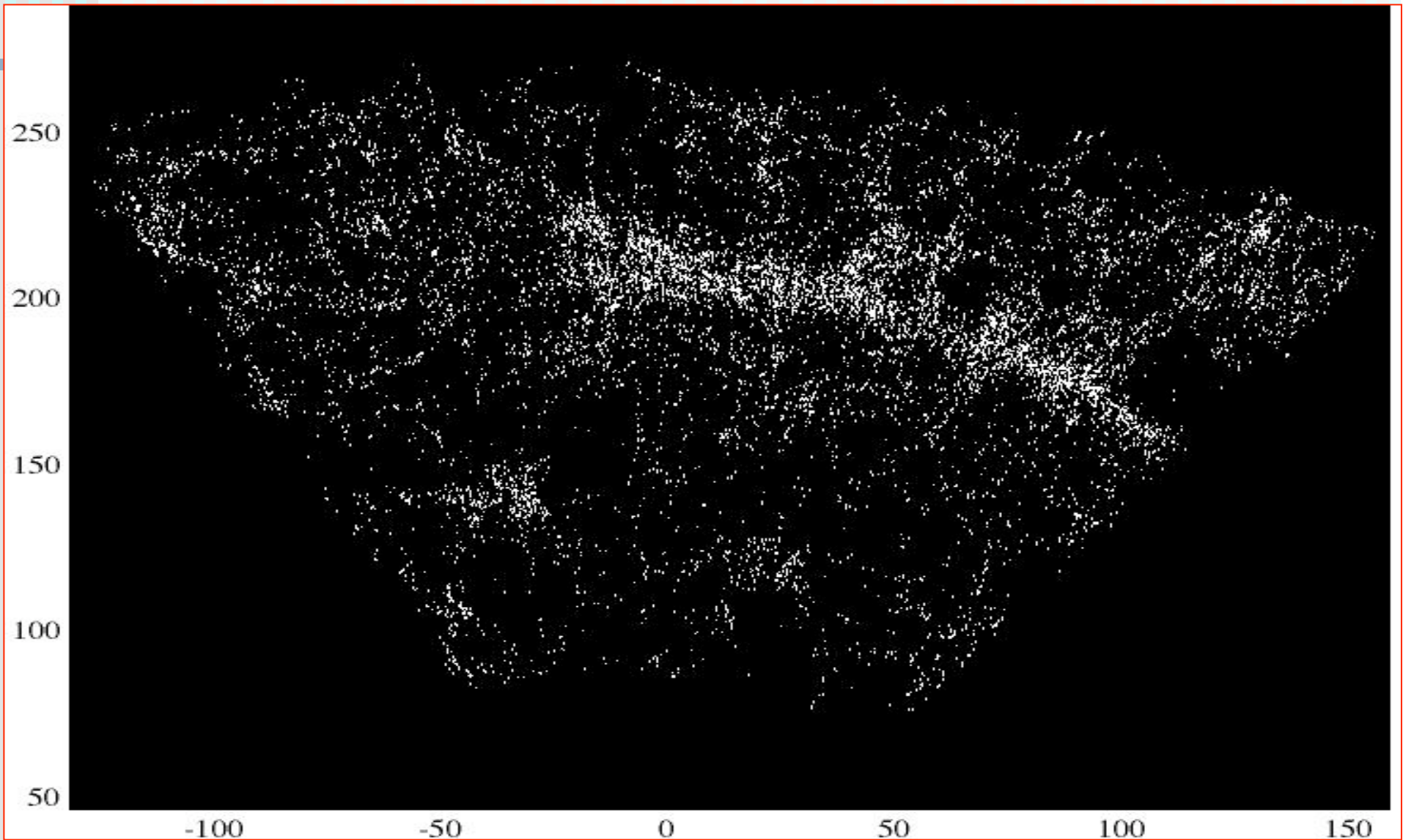
$$N_i(r) = N(r; \vec{x}_i) \rightarrow N(r; [\alpha, \delta, R]_i) \rightarrow N(r; R_i)$$

$$\langle N(r) \rangle_P = \frac{1}{M(r)} \sum_{i=1}^{M(r)} N_i(r)$$

$$f(N; r) \rightarrow f(N; r; V)$$

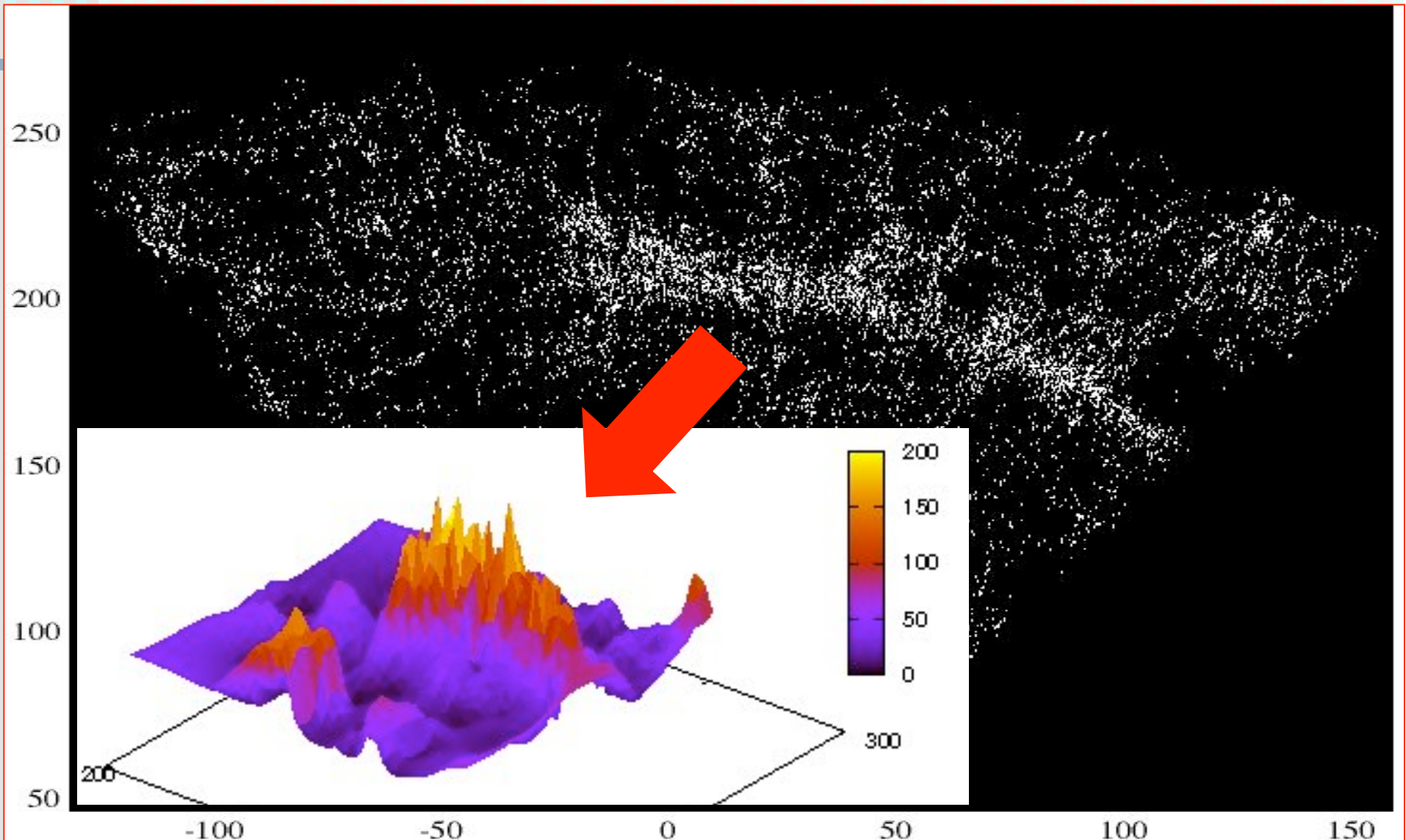
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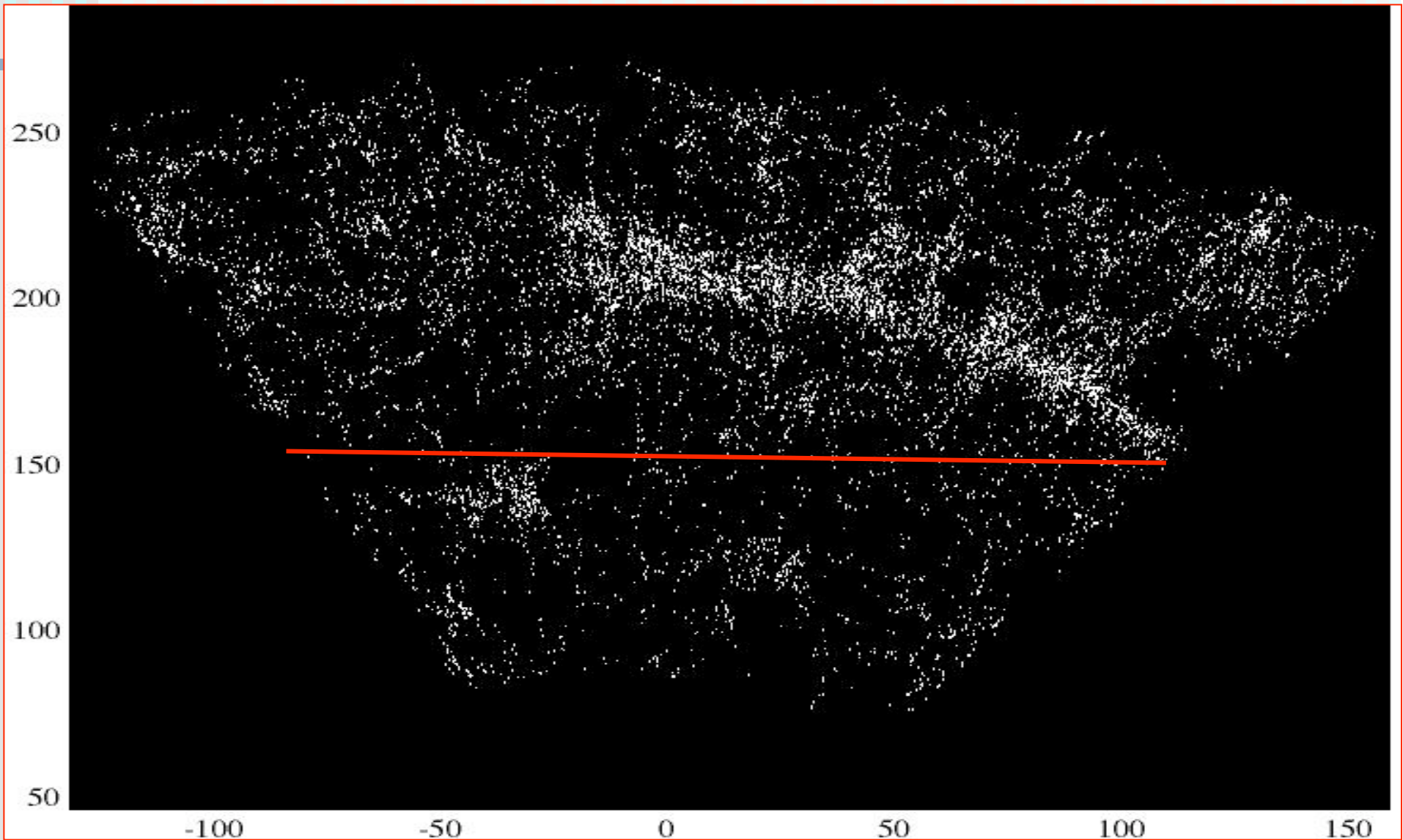
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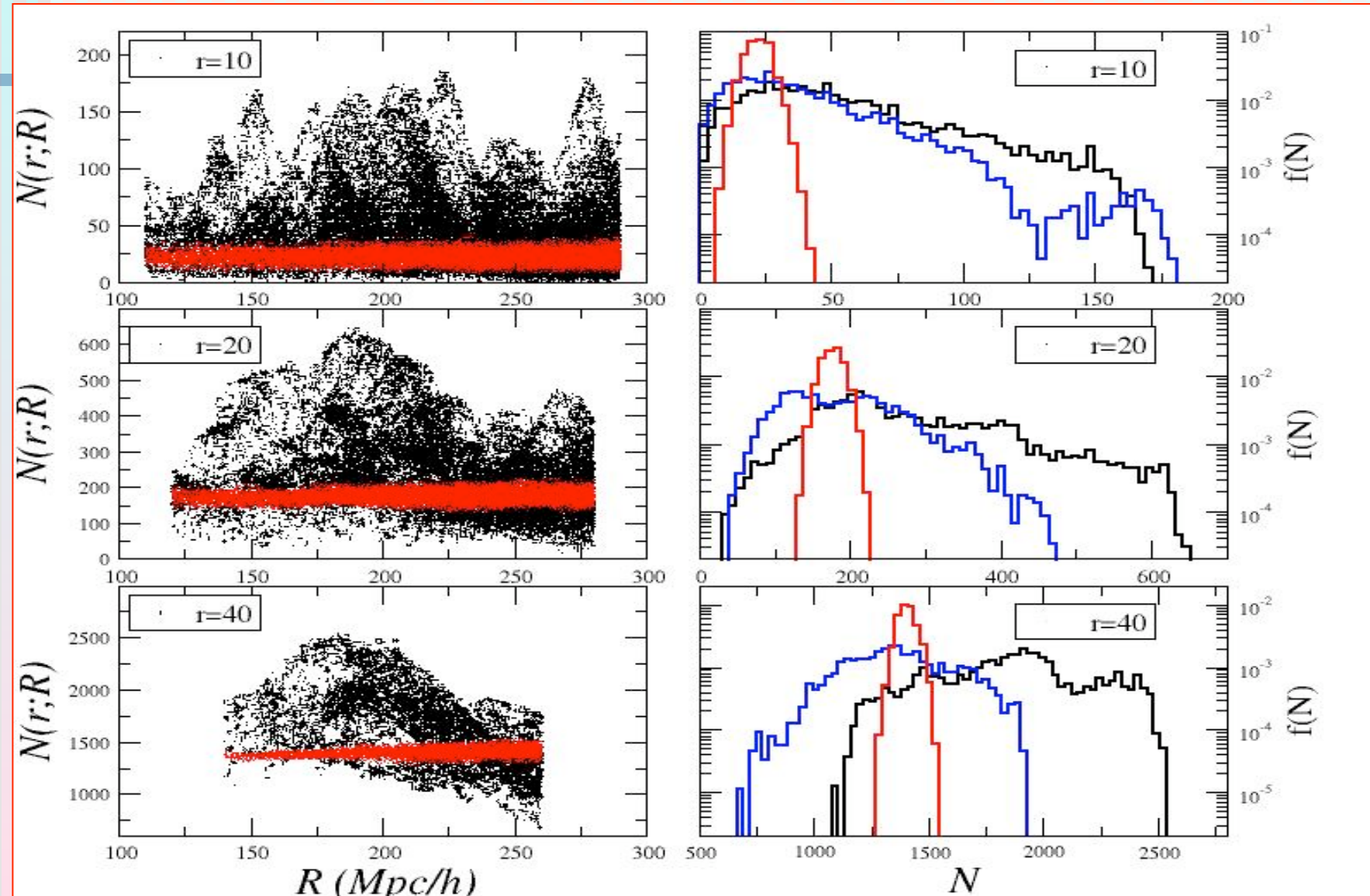
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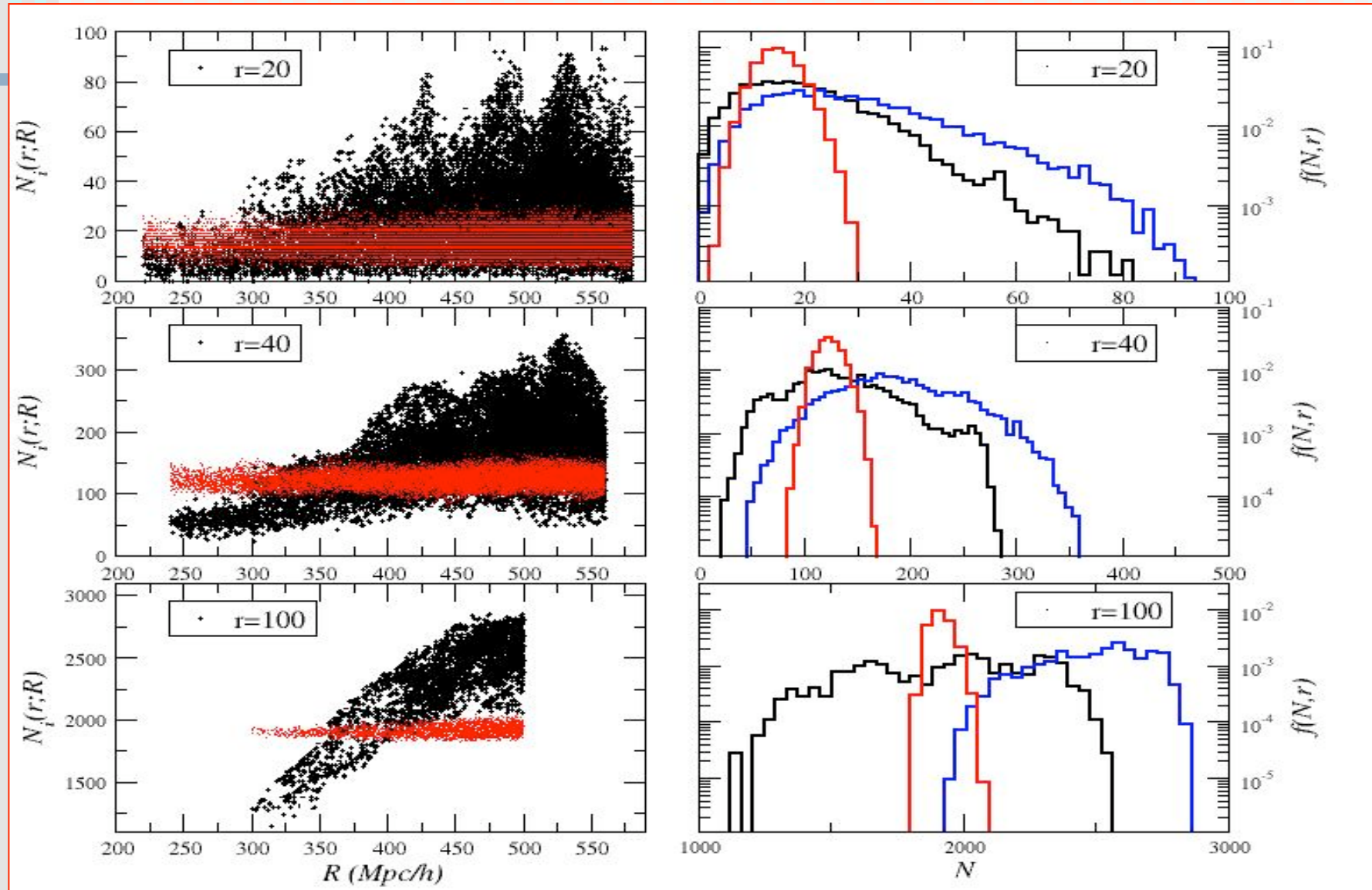
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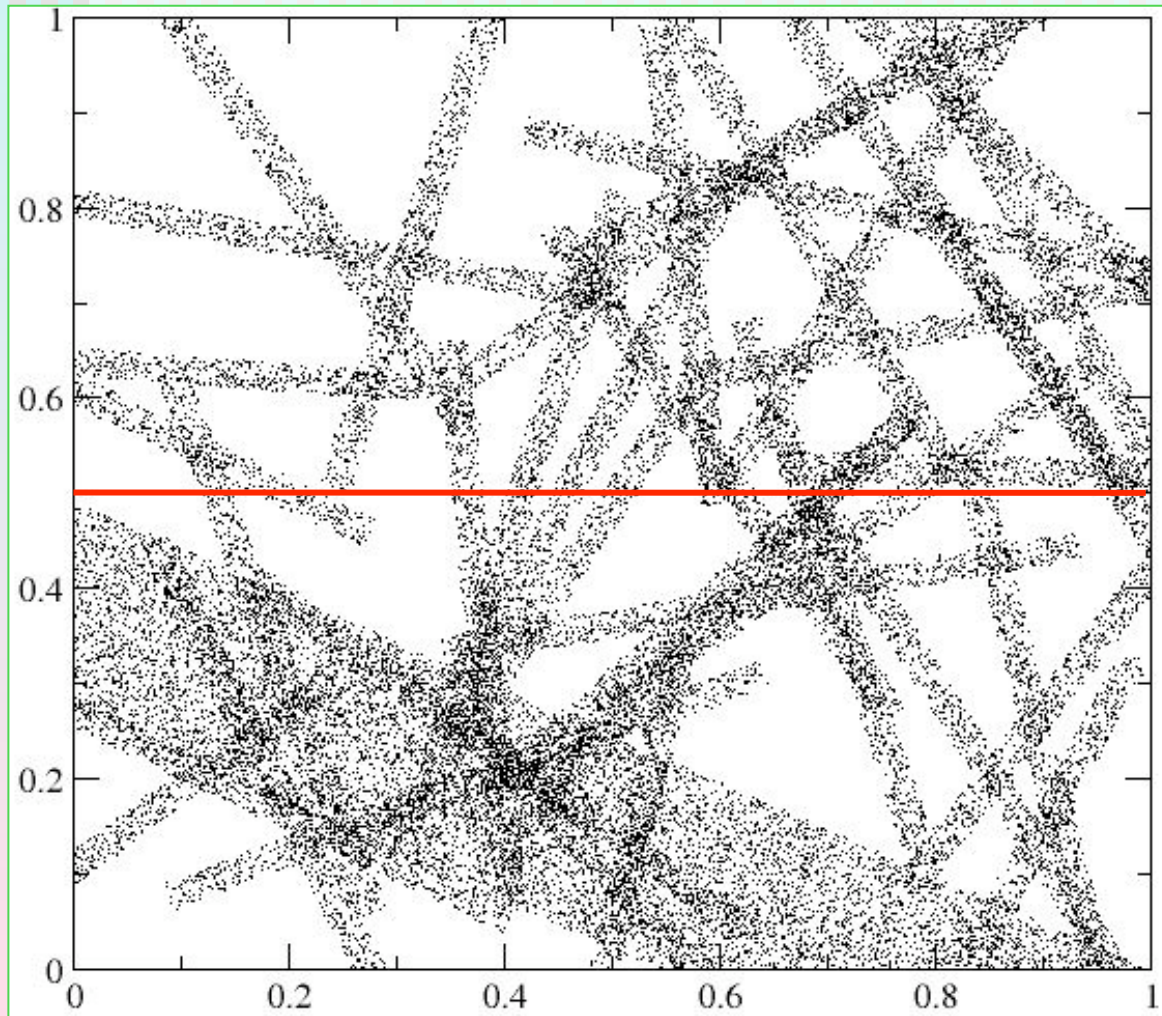
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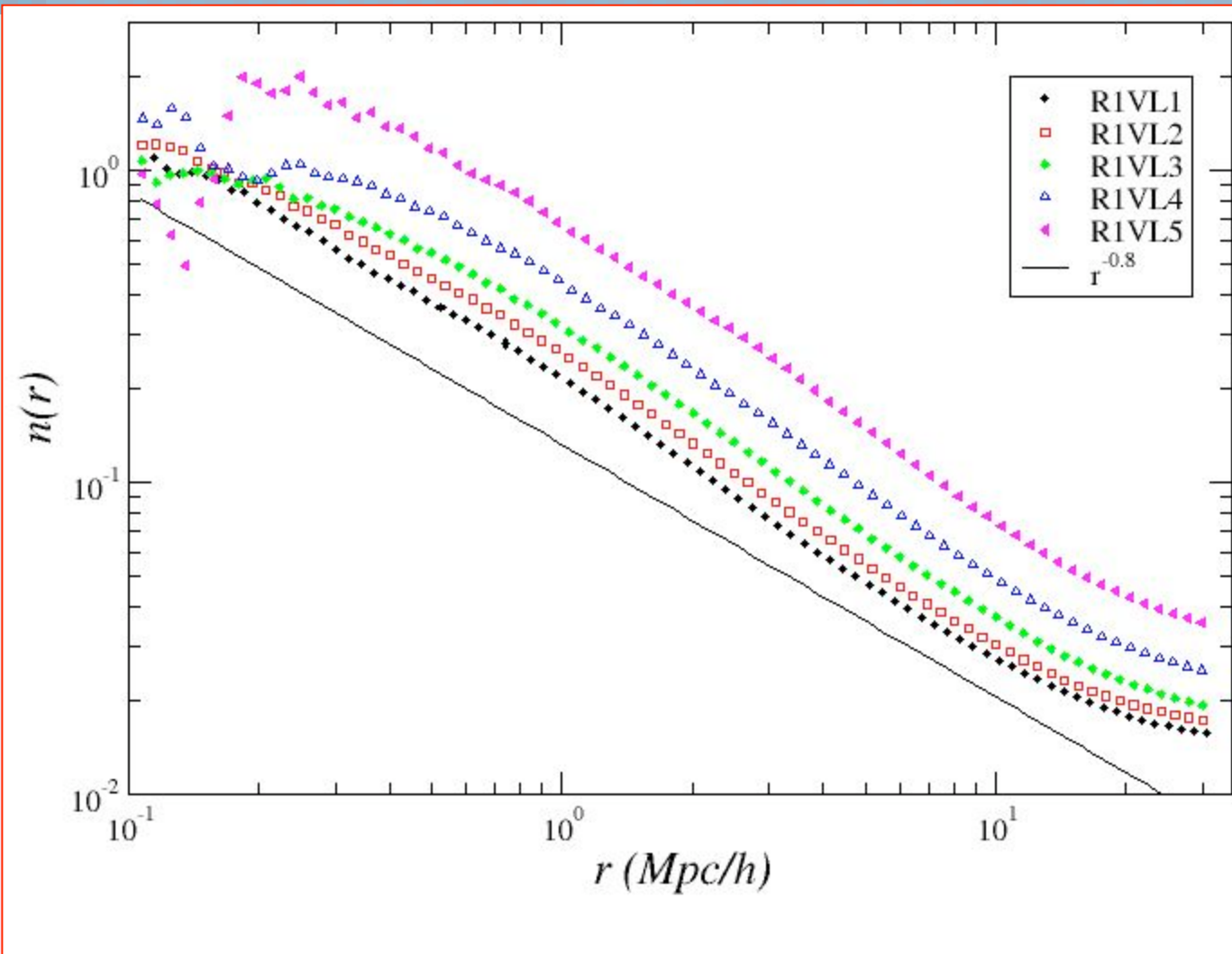


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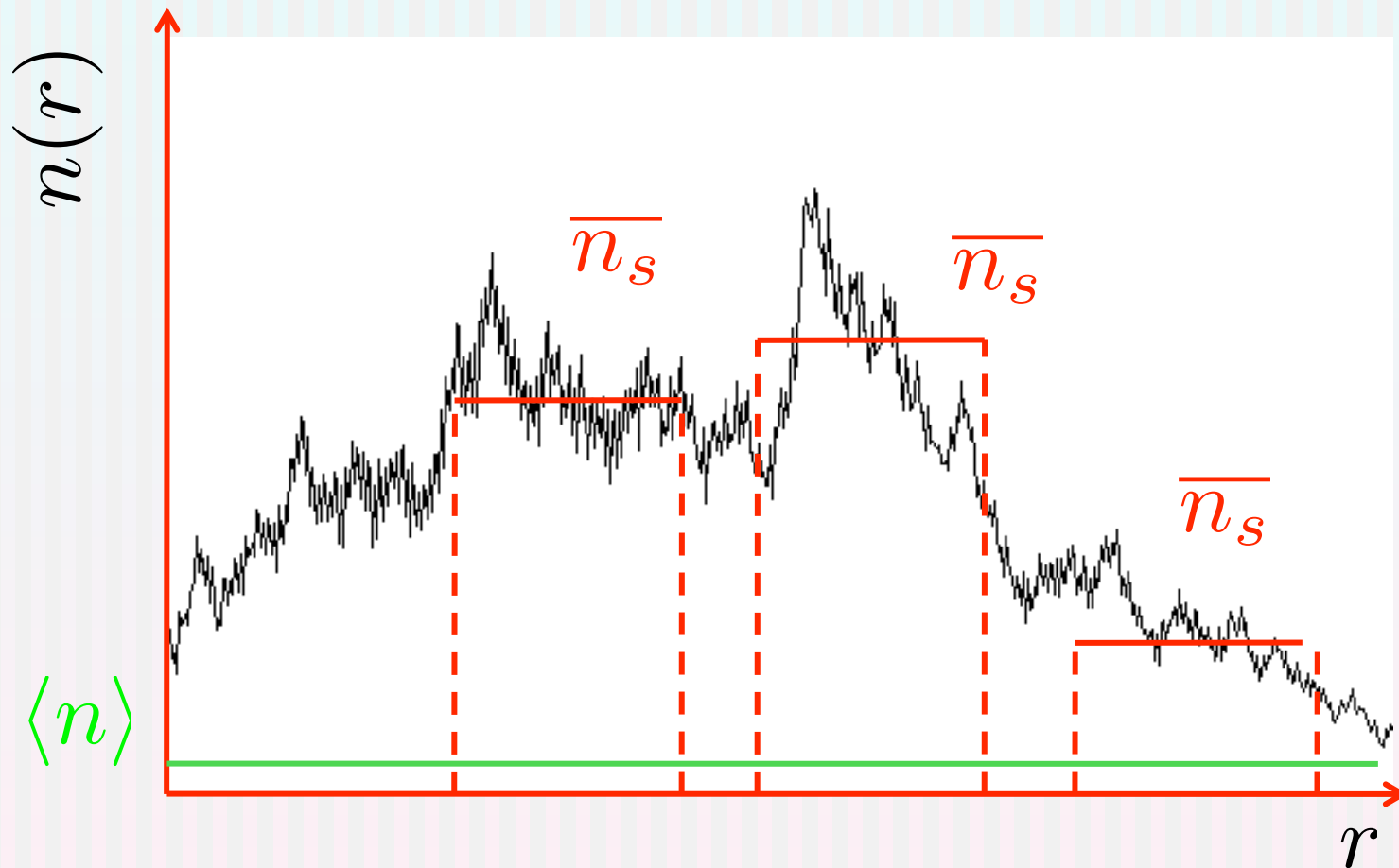
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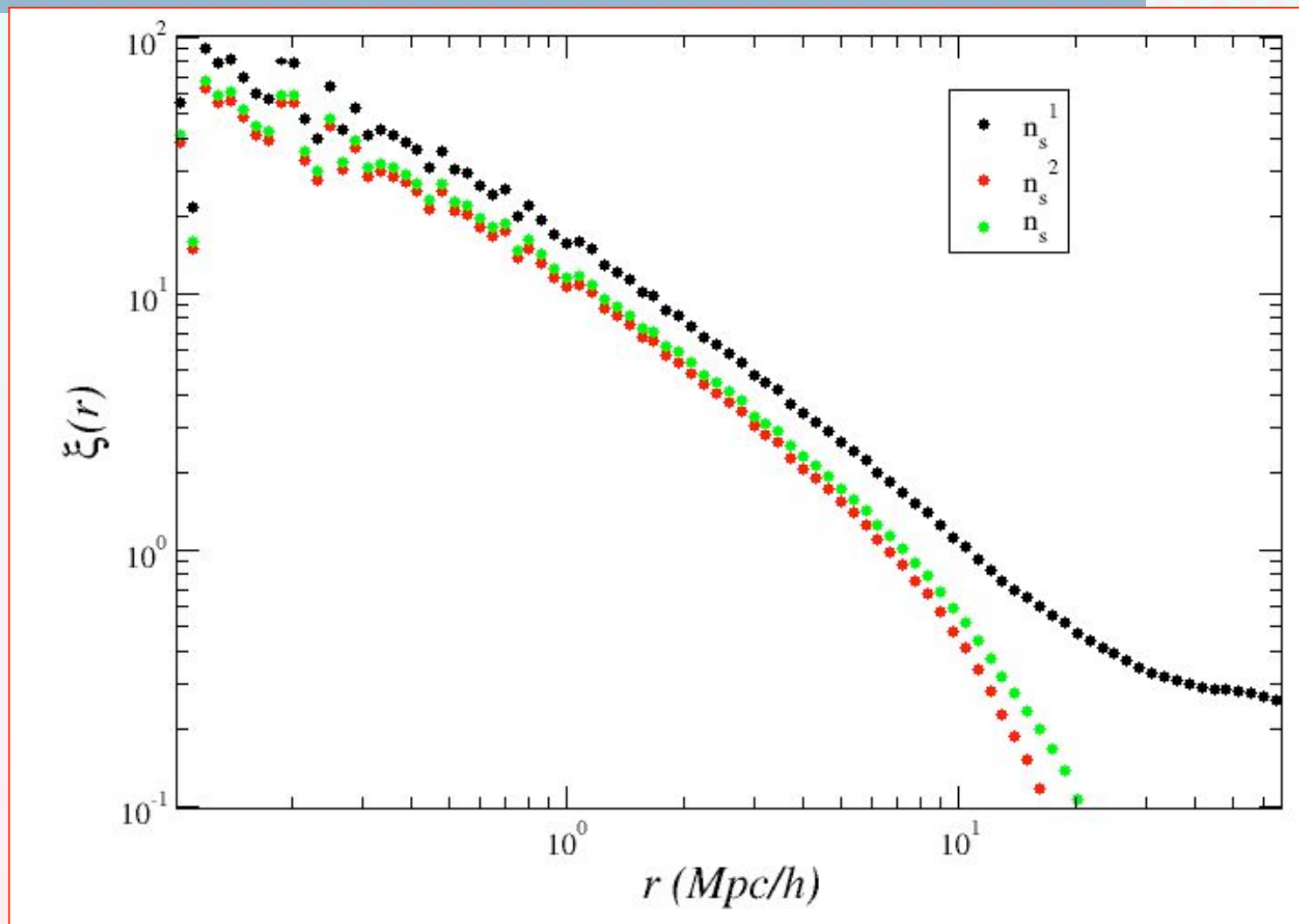
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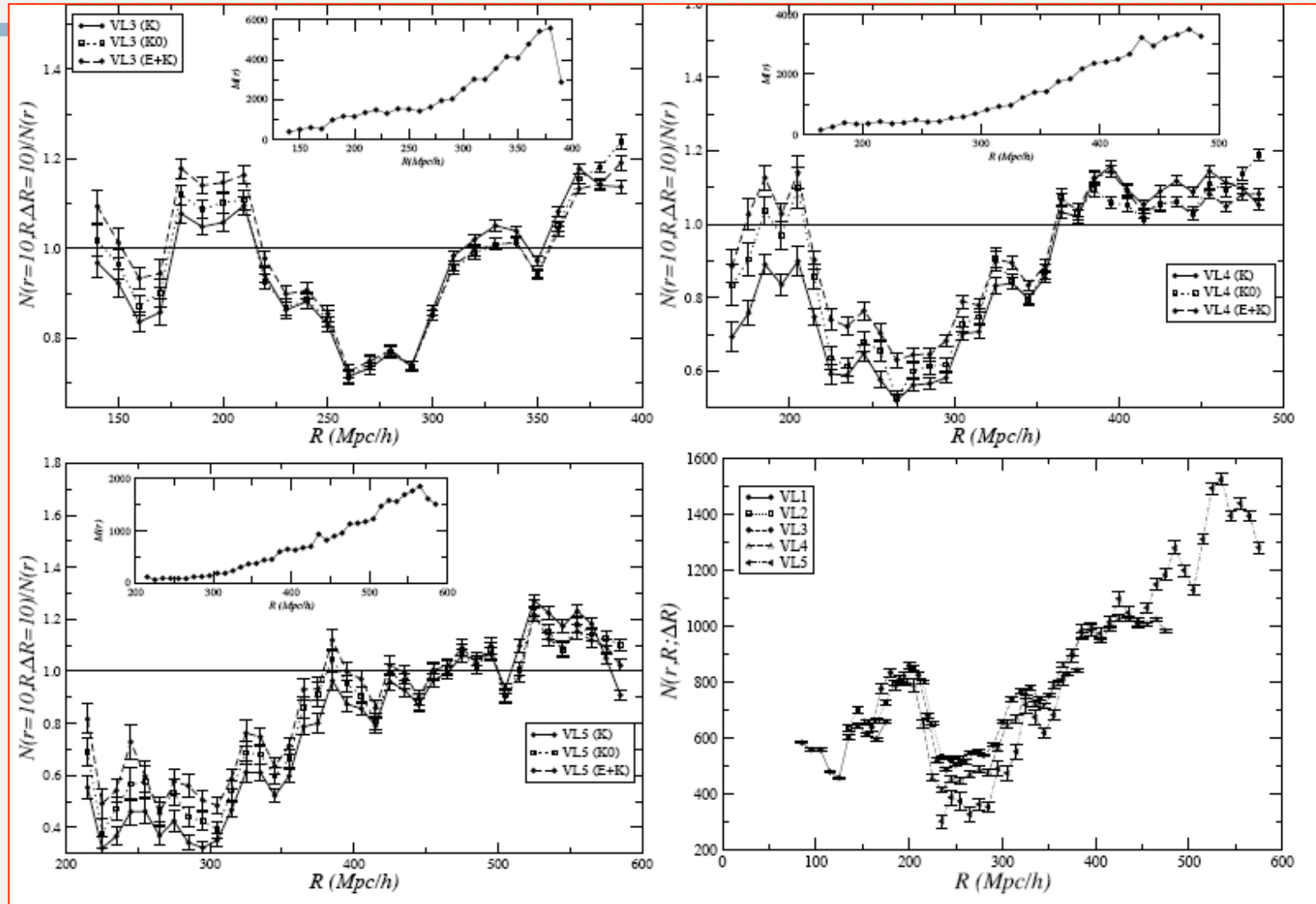
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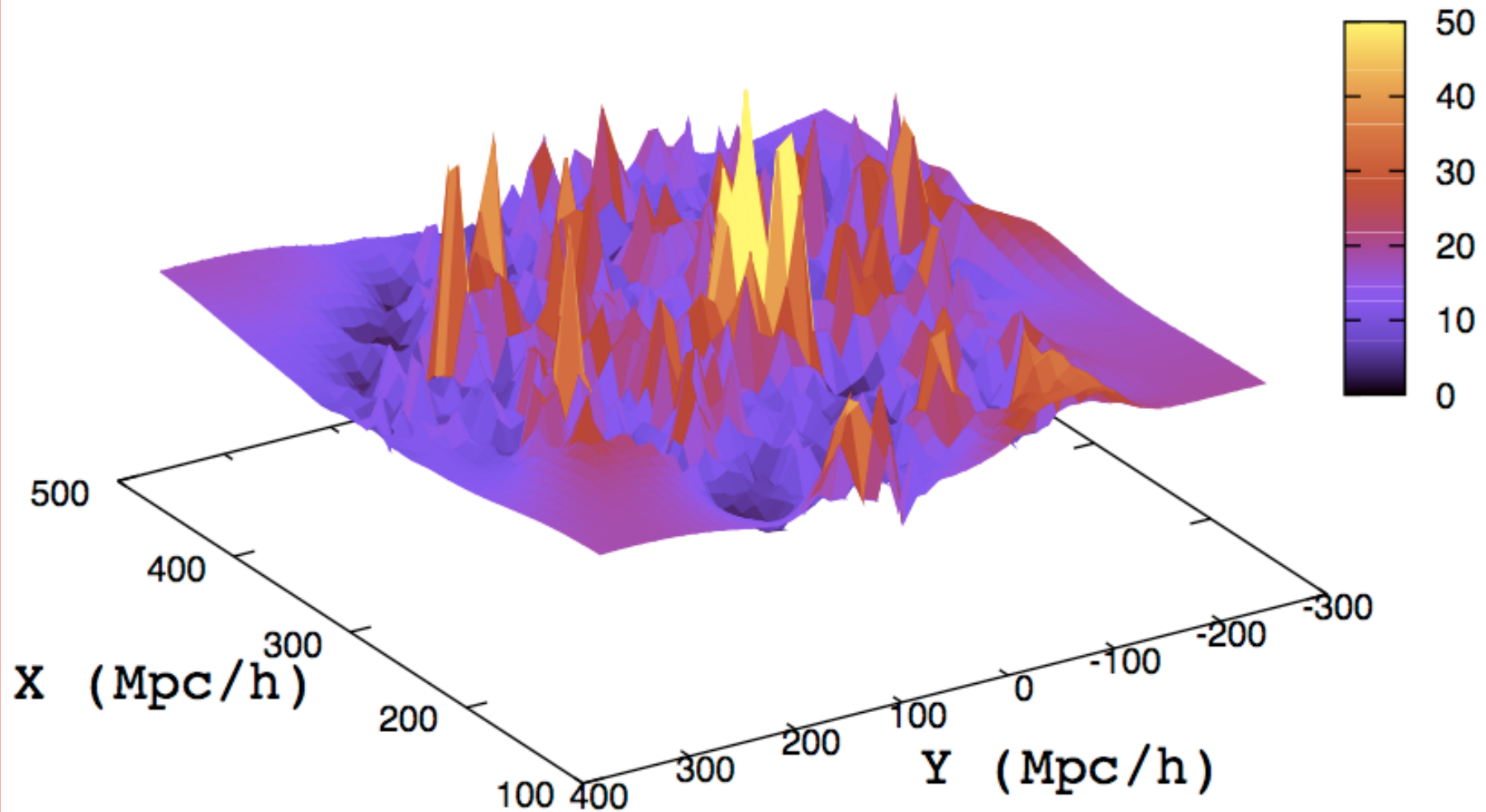
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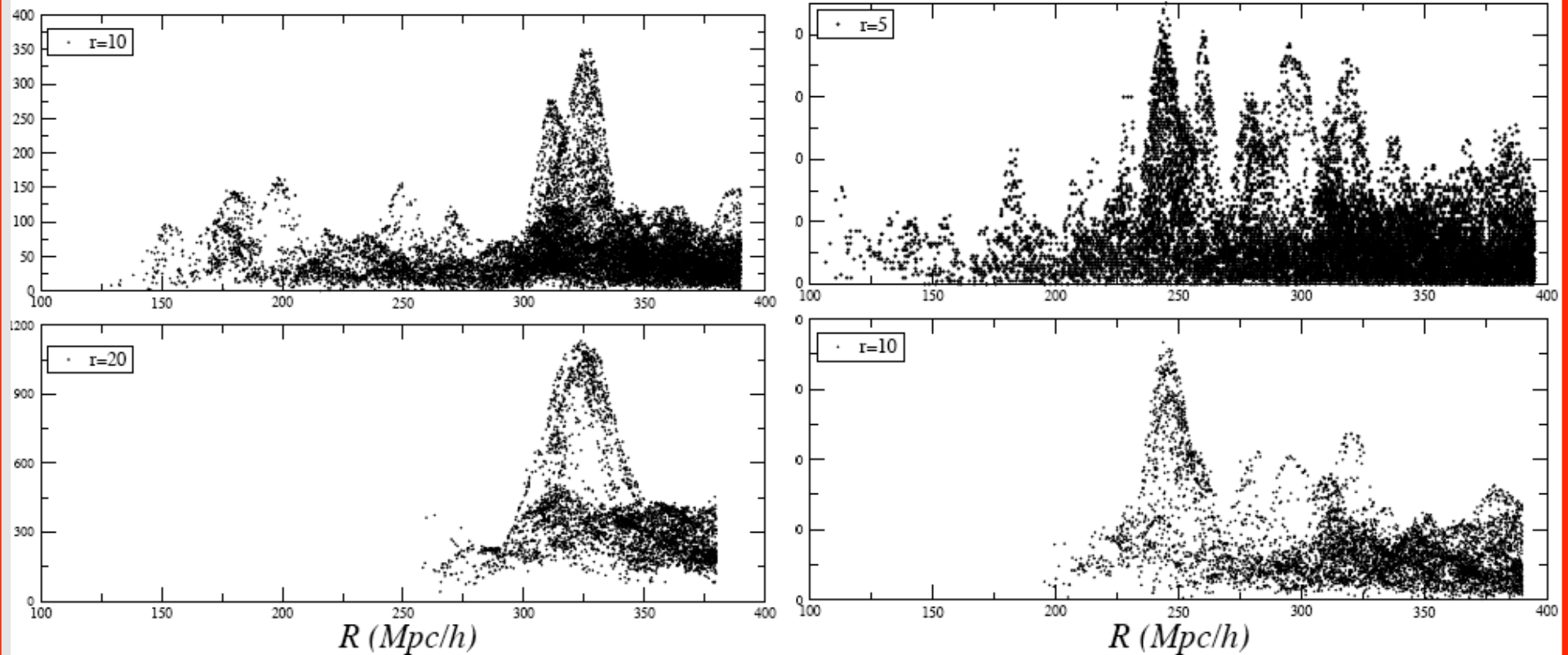
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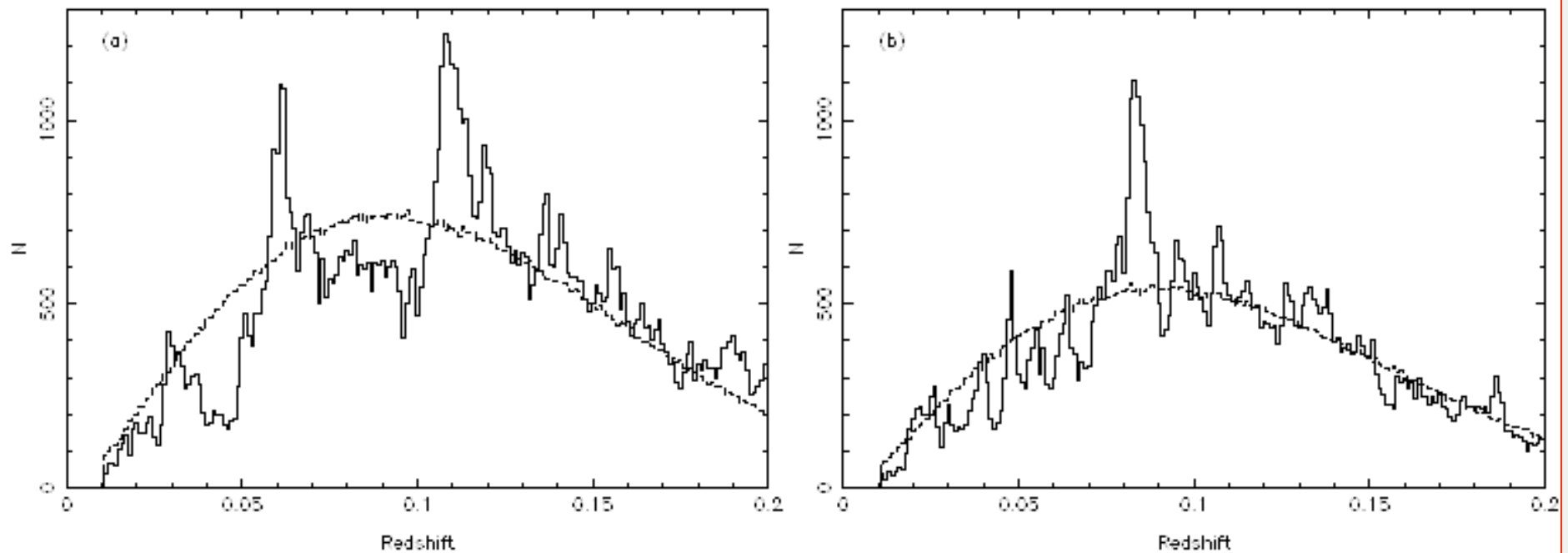
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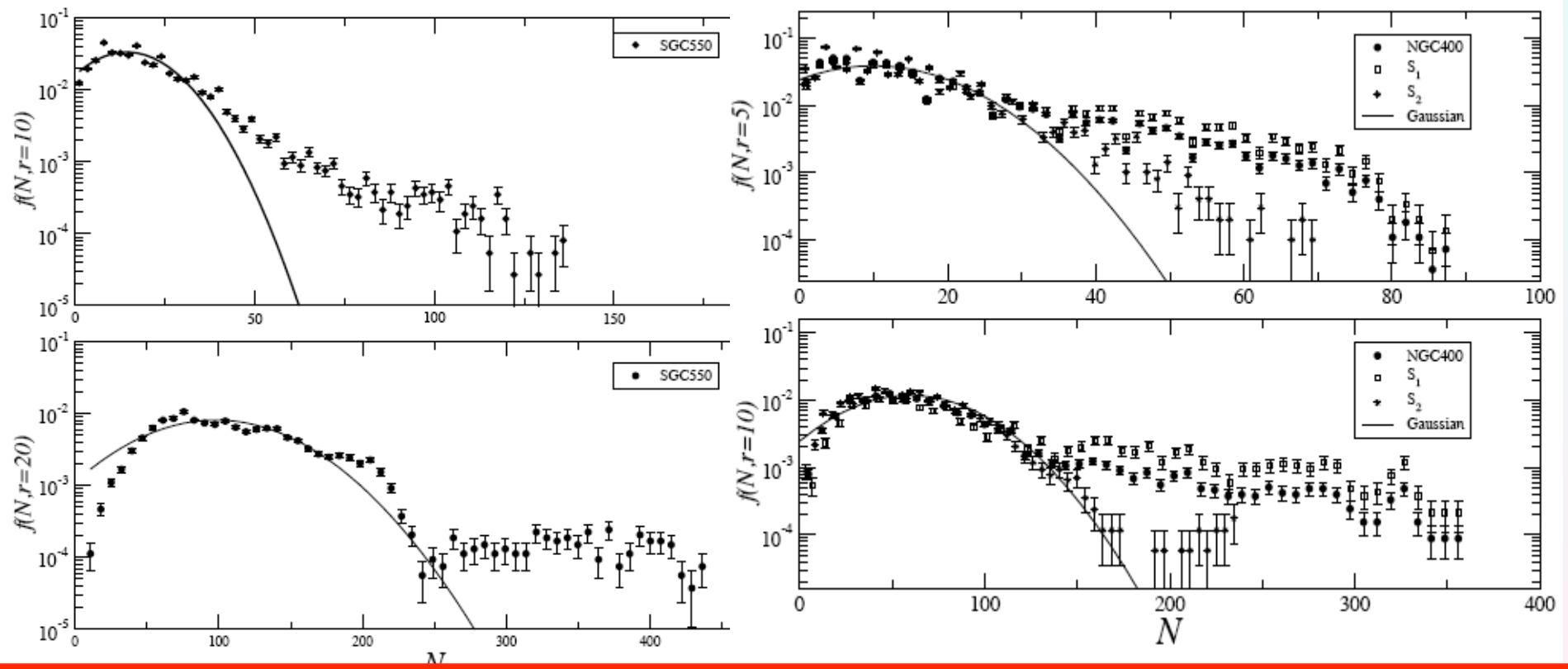
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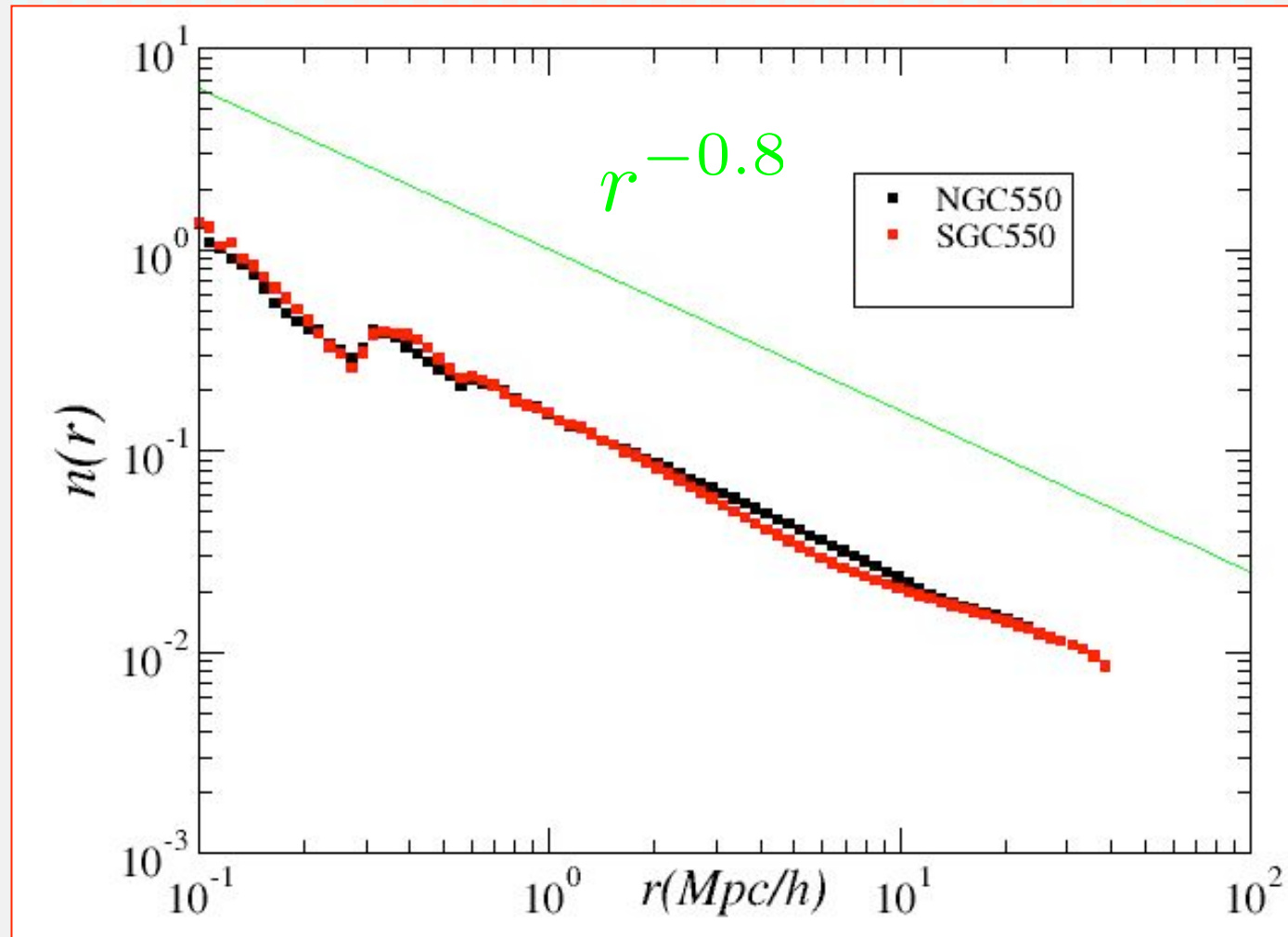
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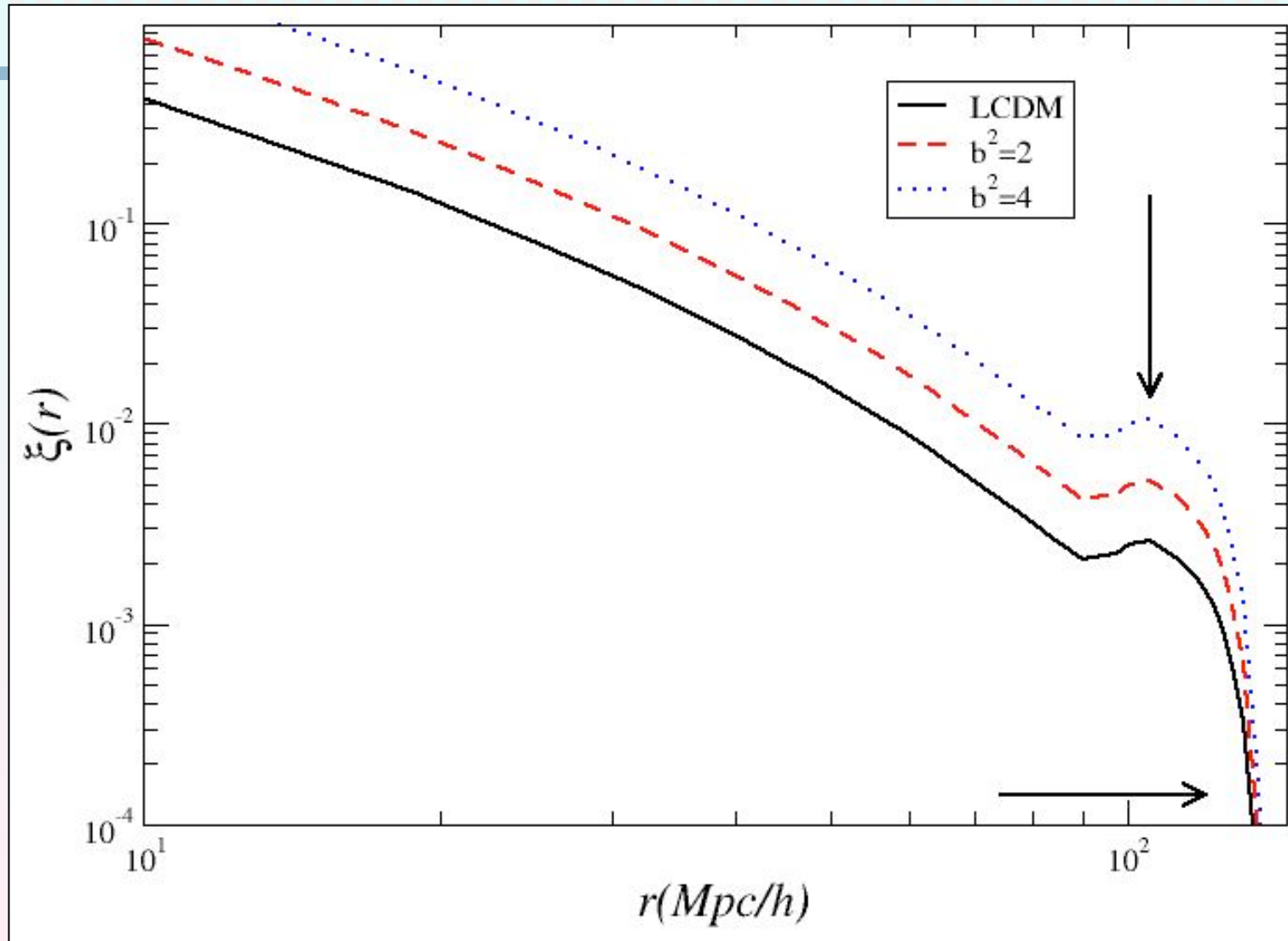
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- **Q2:** What about the SDSS-MG sample ?

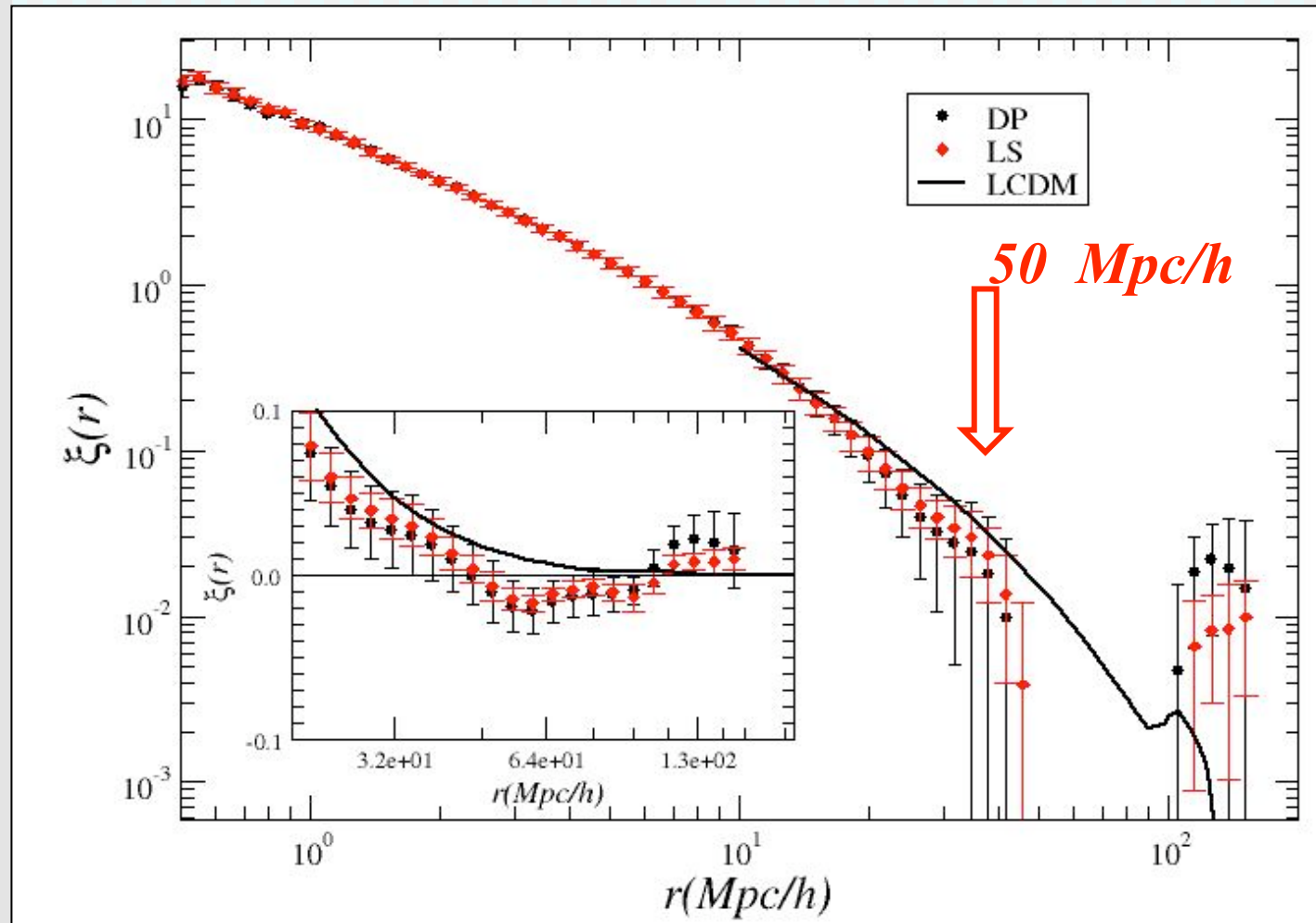
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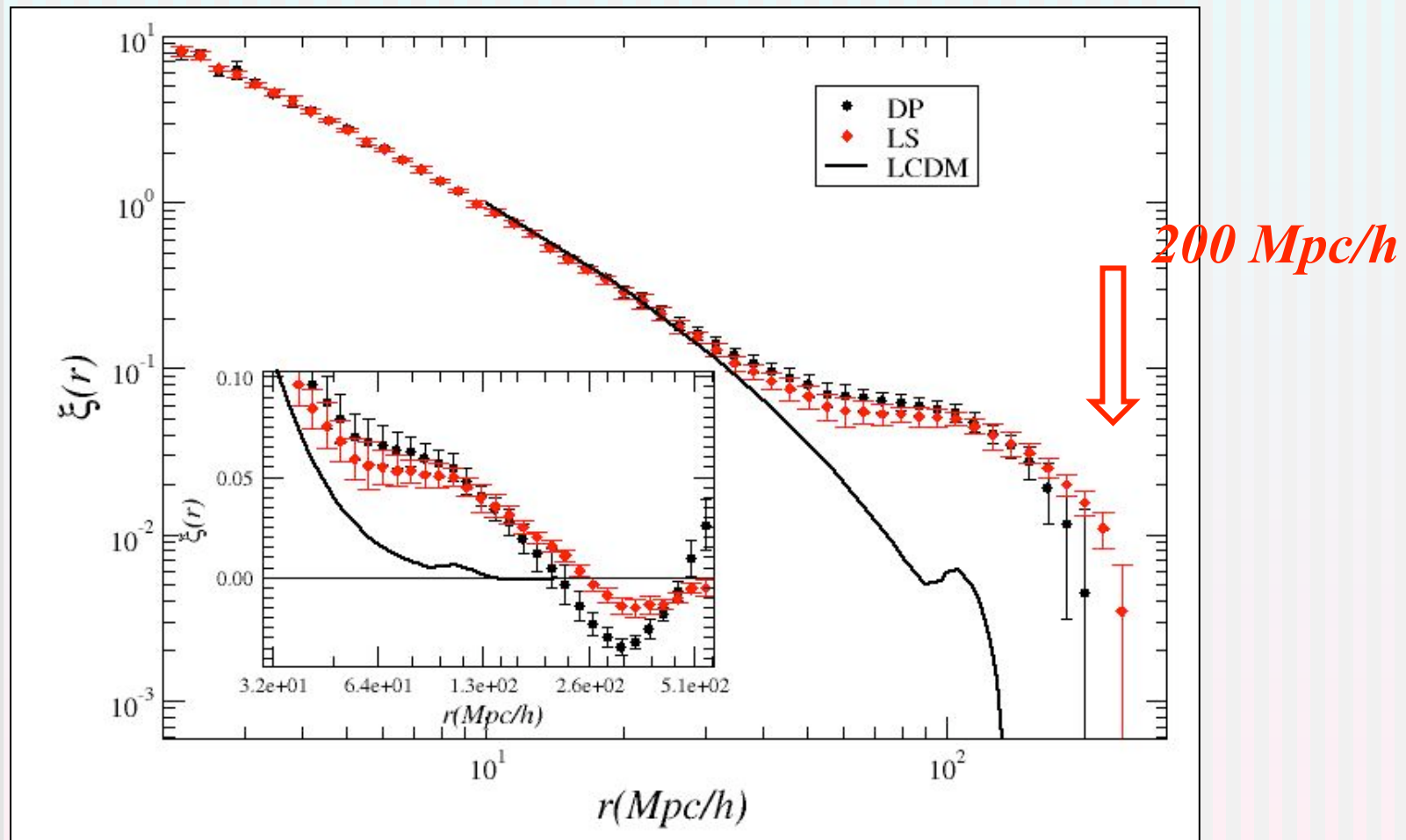
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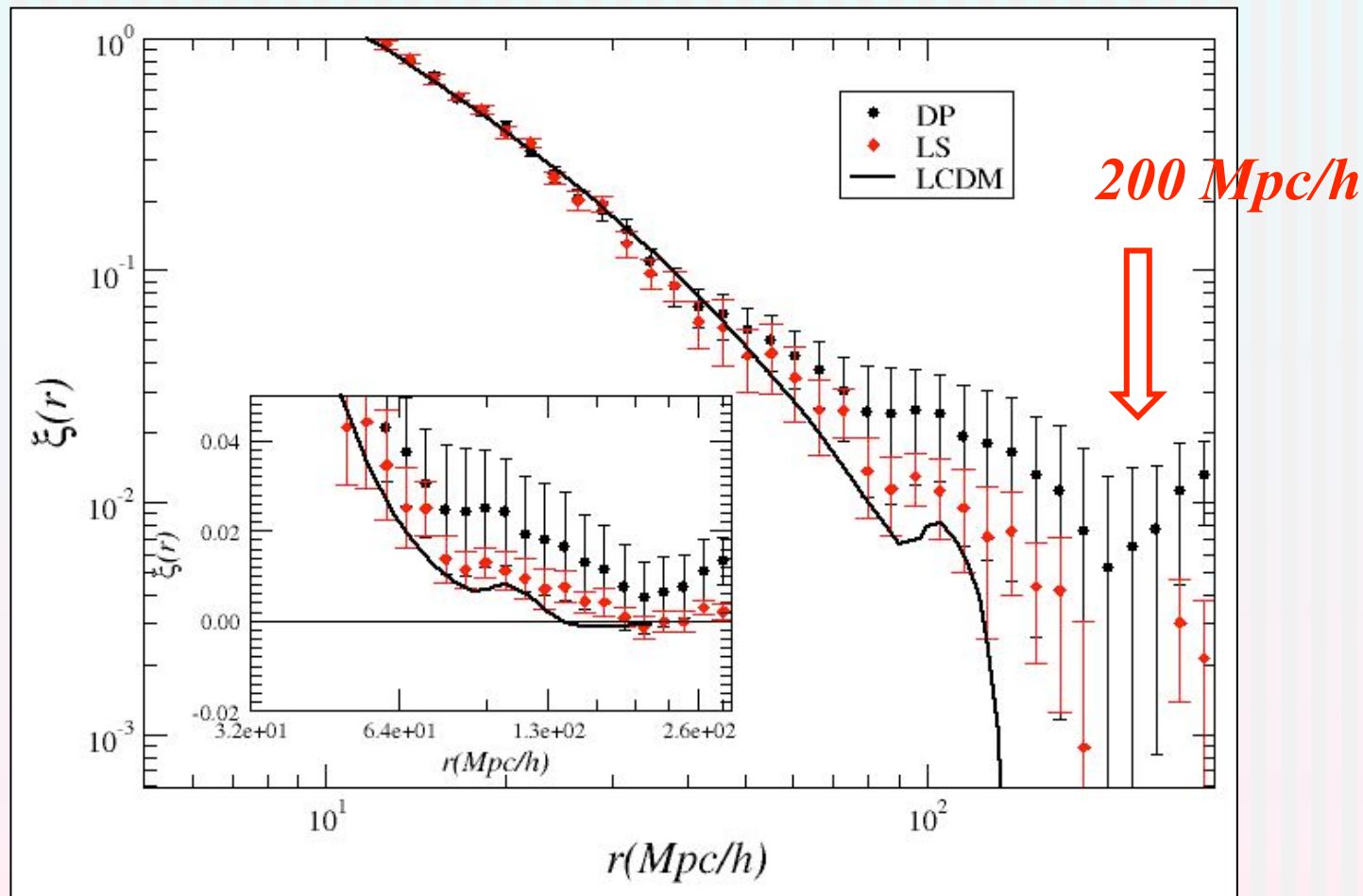
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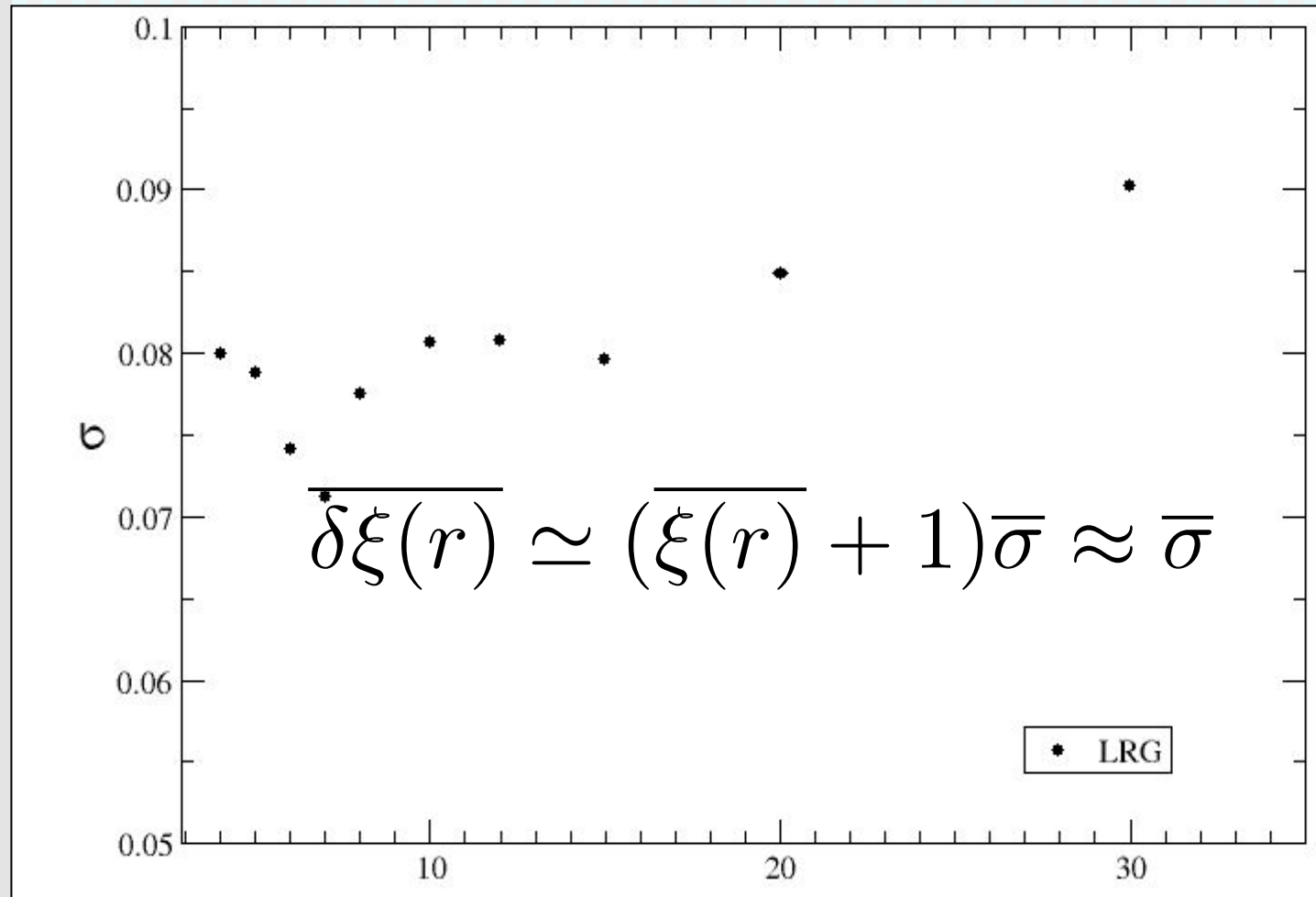
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$$\bar{n} \neq \langle n \rangle \iff \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\sigma^2(V)} = \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\overline{\Delta N(V)^2}}{\overline{N(V)}^2} = 0$$

$$\sigma^2(V) = \frac{1}{V^2} \int_V \int_V \xi(\vec{r}_1 - \vec{r}_2) d^3 r_1 d^3 r_2 + \frac{1}{\langle N(V) \rangle}$$

The BAO scale

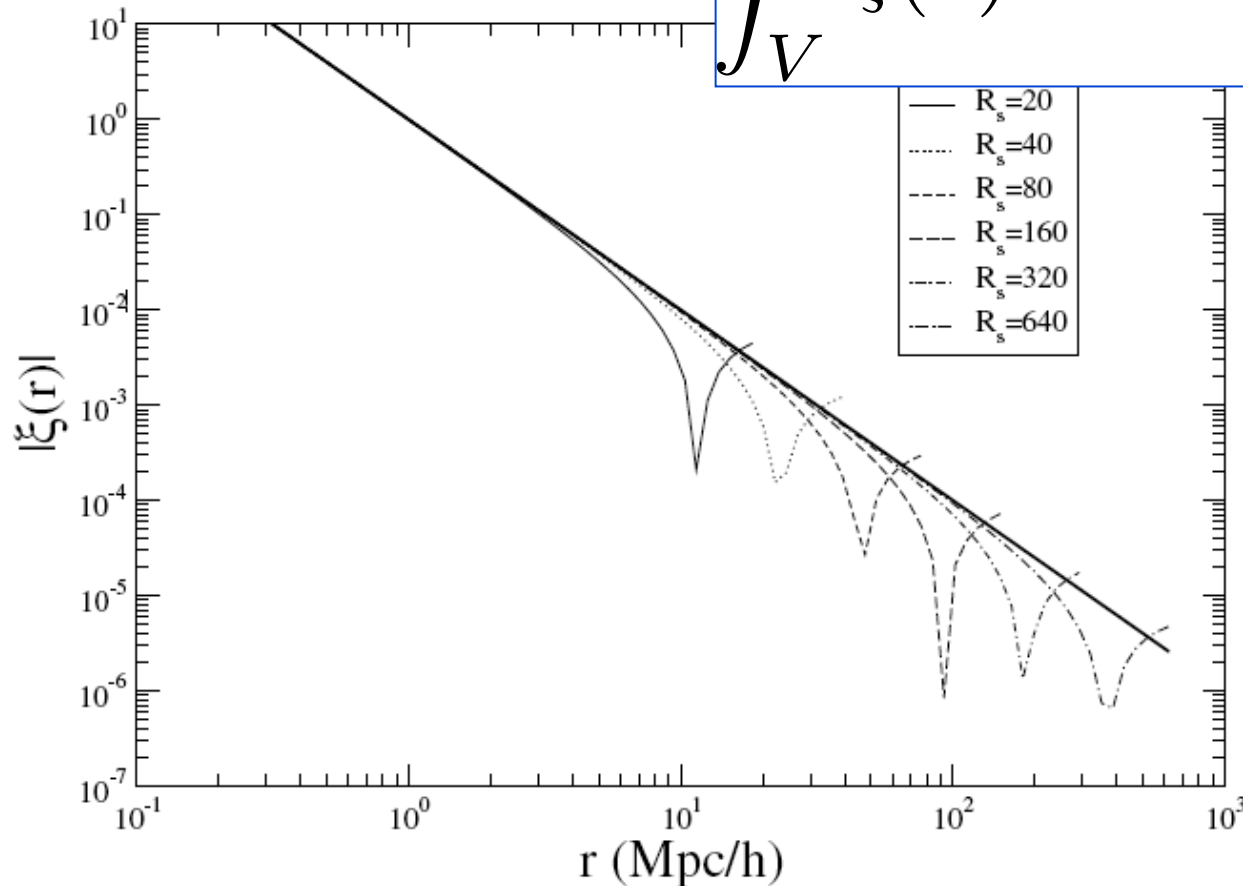
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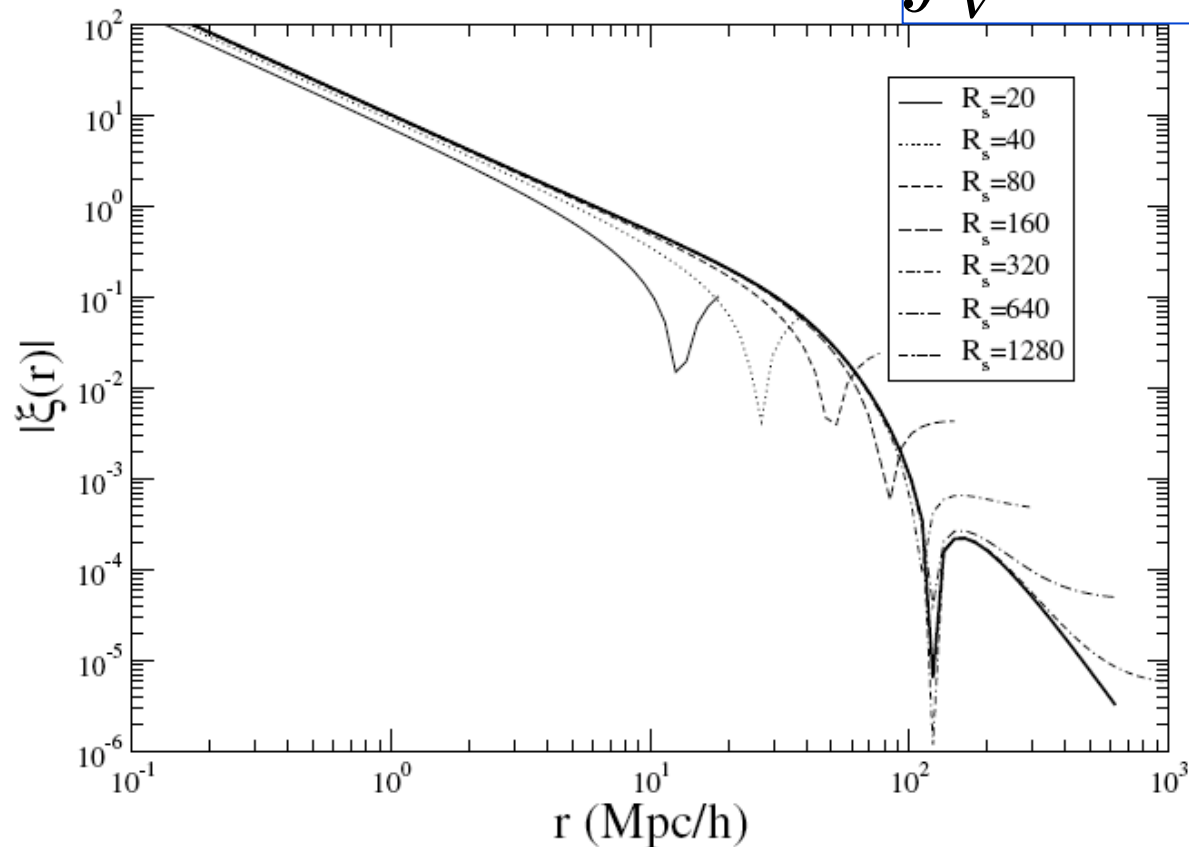
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$$P(k,t) = A \times P(k,0) \times g(t)$$

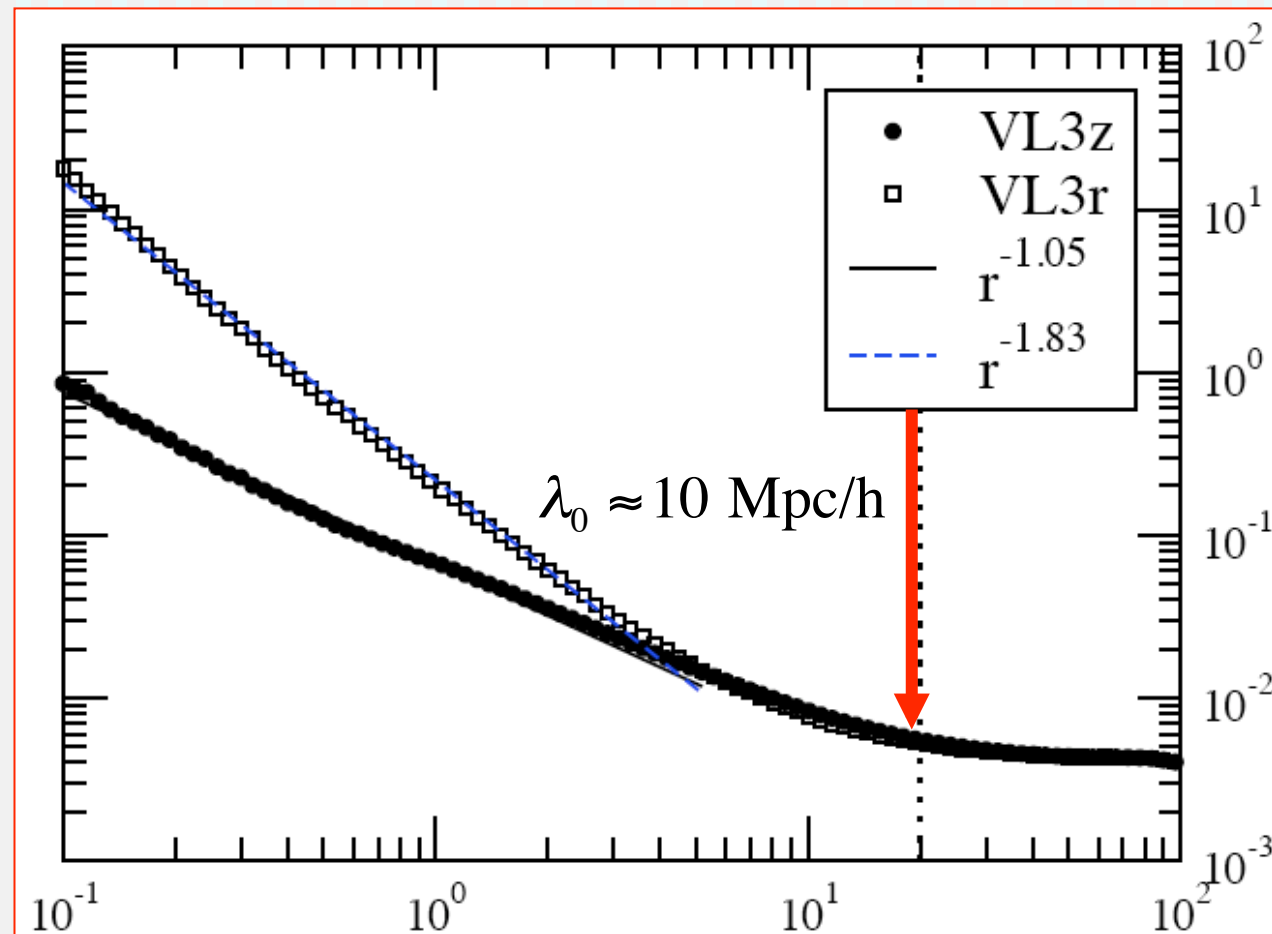
$$A \Leftrightarrow \xi(\lambda_0, t_0) = 1$$

$\lambda_0 \approx 10 \text{ Mpc/h} \longrightarrow \text{Non-linearity length scale (clusterization)}$

$r_c \approx 100 \text{ Mpc/h} \longrightarrow \text{Linearity length scale (correlation)}$

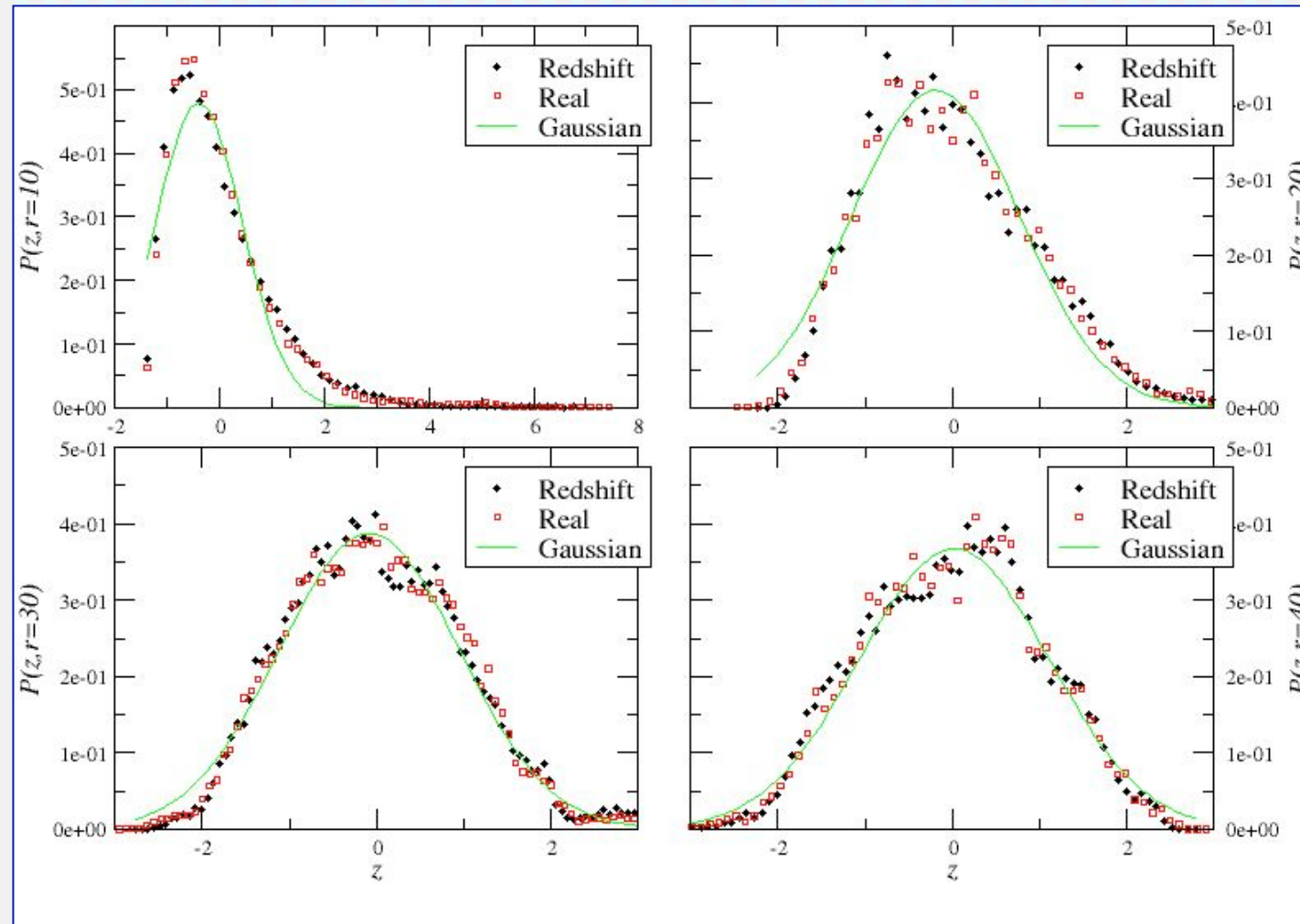
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Model predictions

$\lambda_0^M \approx 10 \text{ Mpc/h} \longrightarrow \text{Non-linear length scale}$
(homogeneity scale)

$r_c^M \approx 100 \text{ Mpc/h} \longrightarrow \text{Linear length scale}$
(super-homogeneity scale)

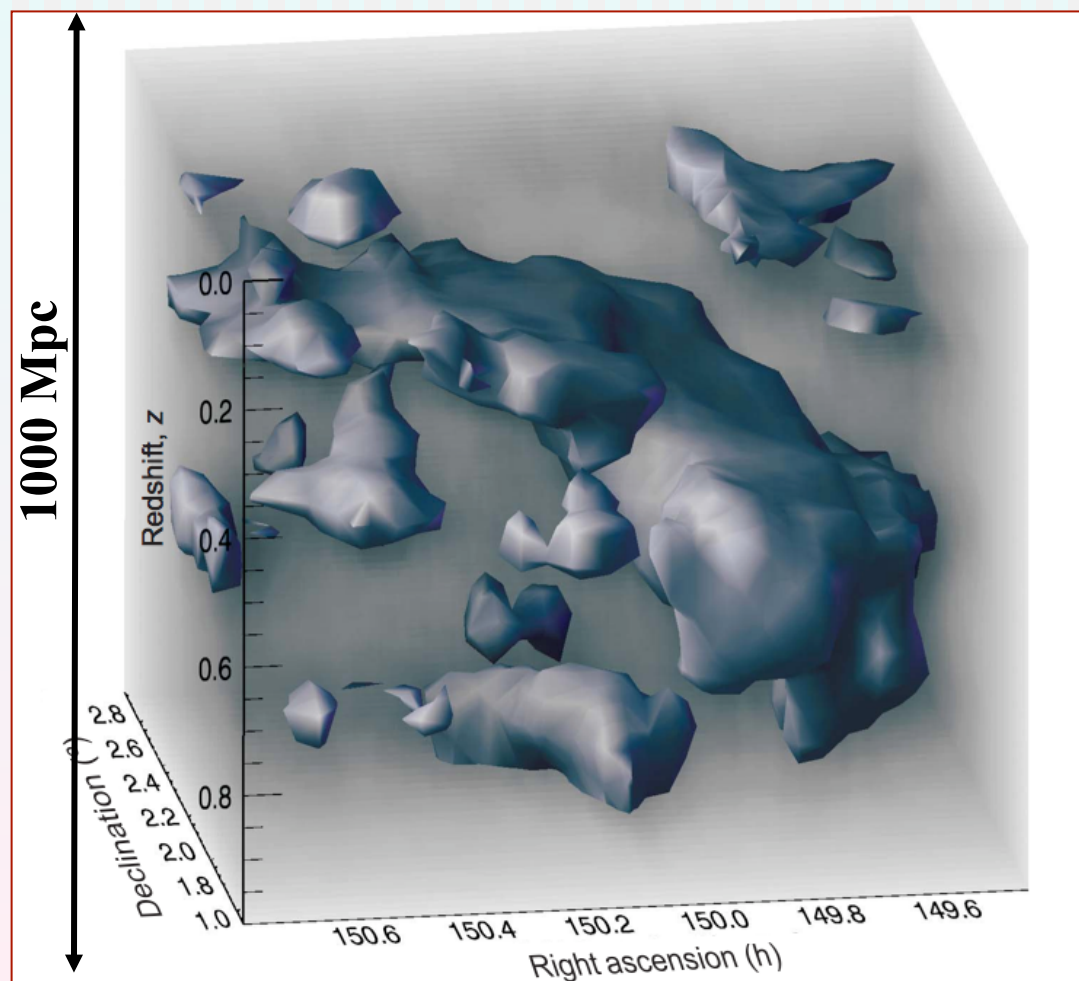
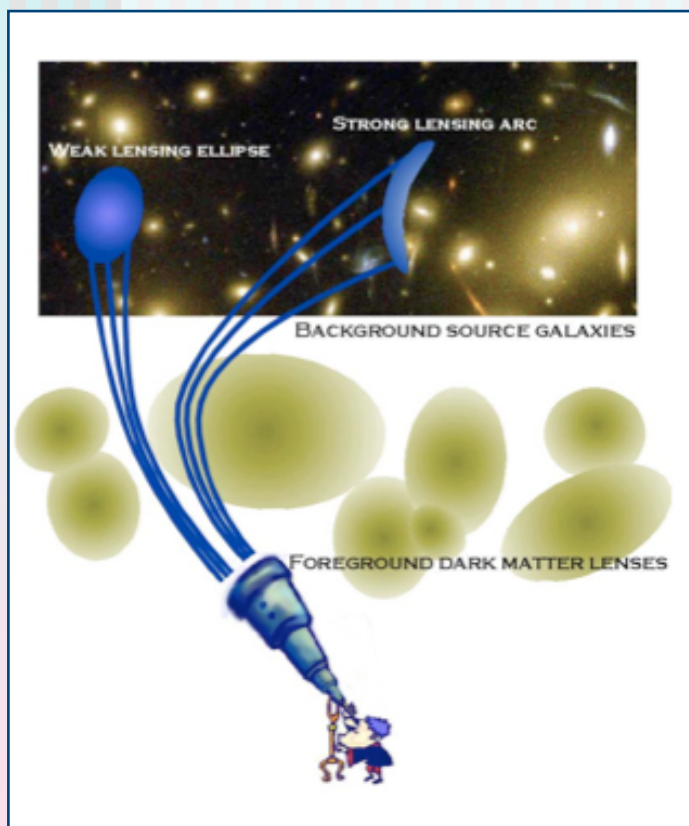
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$$\lambda_0 \geq 100 \text{ Mpc/h} \approx r_c^M$$

$$r_c \gg 100 \text{ Mpc/h} \gg r_c^M$$

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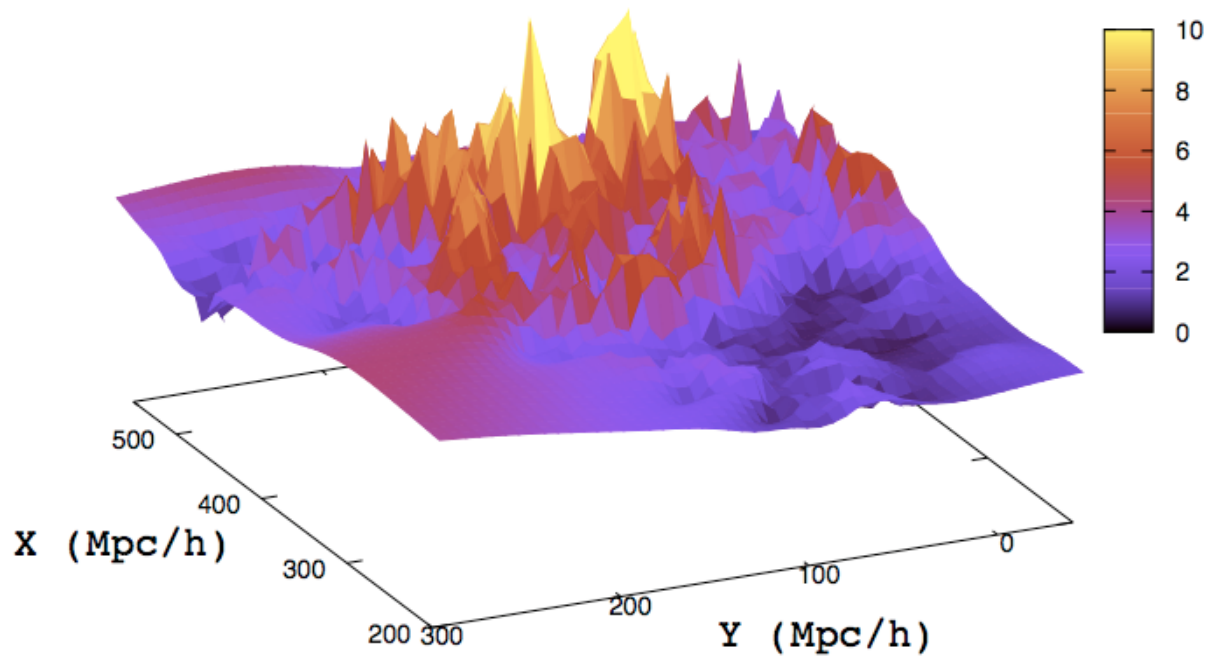
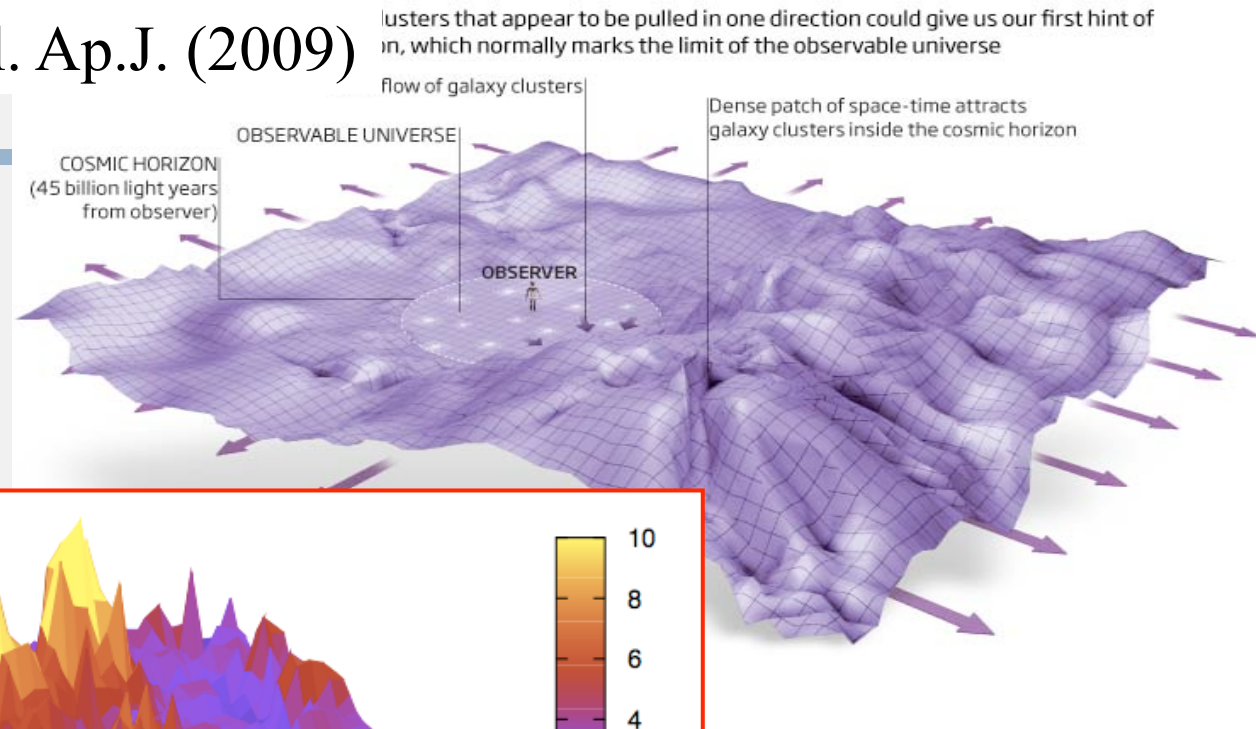
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Abstract. – The clustering of galaxies is well characterized by fractal properties, with the presence of an eventual cross-over to homogeneity still a matter of considerable debate. In this letter we discuss the cosmological implications of a fractal distribution of matter, with a possible cross-over to homogeneity at an undetermined scale R_{homo} . Contrary to what is generally assumed, we show that, even when $R_{\text{homo}} \rightarrow \infty$, this possibility can be treated consistently within the framework of the expanding universe solutions of Friedmann. The fractal is a perturbation to an open cosmology in which the leading homogeneous component is the cosmic background radiation (CBR). This cosmology, inspired by the observed galaxy distributions, provides a simple explanation for the recent data which indicate the absence of deceleration in the expansion ($q_0 \approx 0$). Correspondingly the “age problem” is also resolved. Further we show that the model can be extended back from the curvature-dominated arbitrarily deep into the radiation-dominated era, and we discuss qualitatively the modifications to the physics of the anisotropy of the CBR, nucleosynthesis and structure formation.

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