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# Galaxies



**... Galaxies ...**



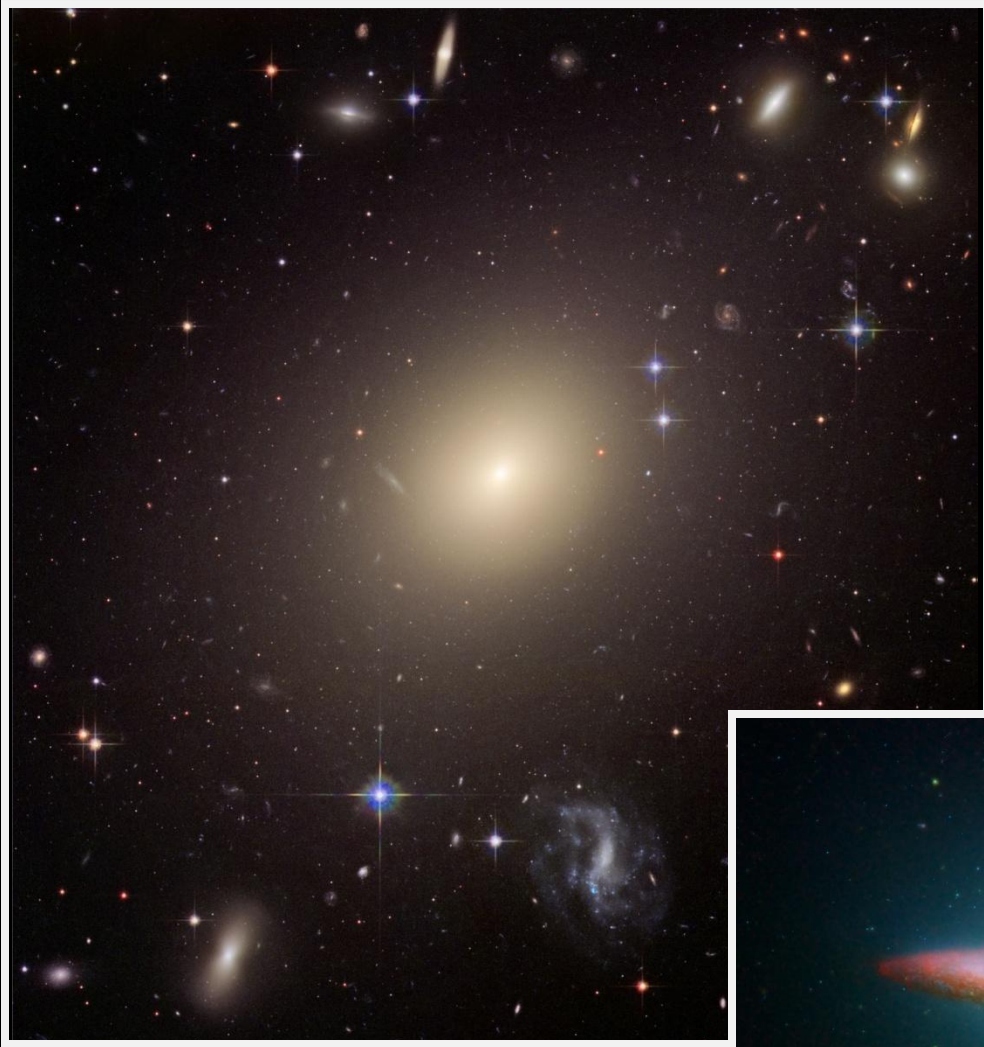
... Spiral



Galaxies ...

# NGC 1300: a Milky Way look-alike ?

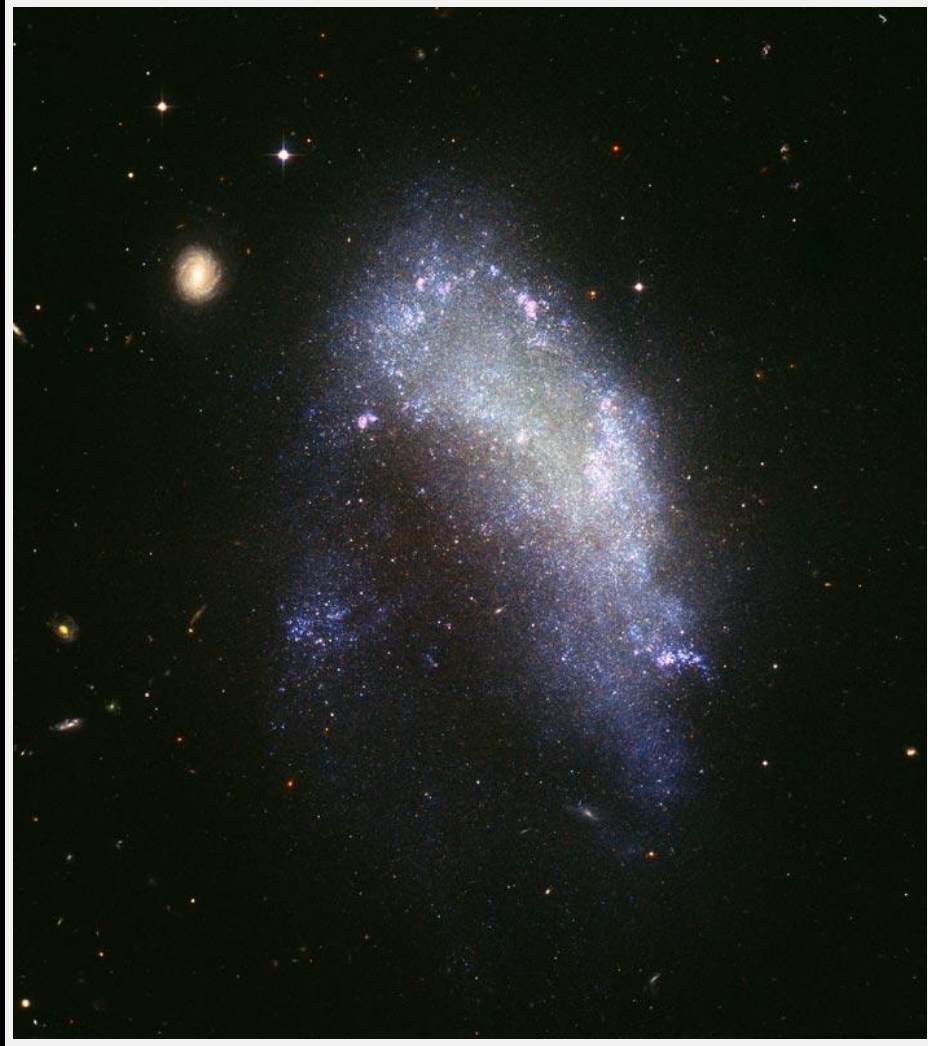




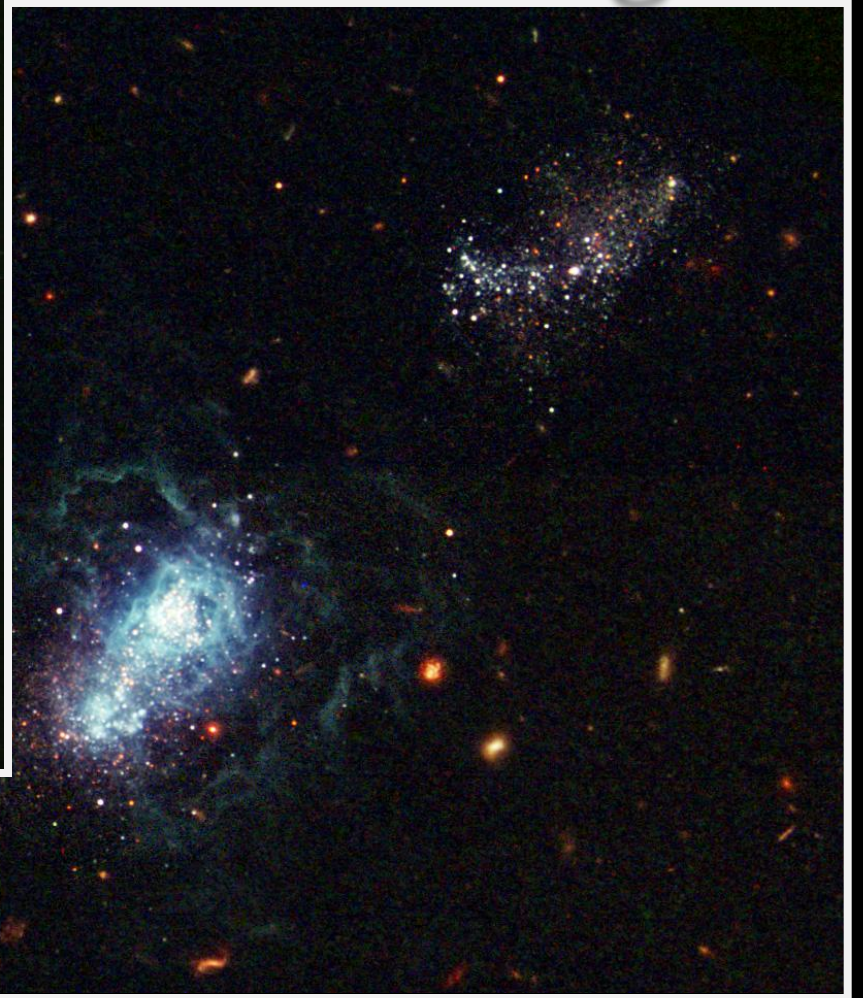
... Elliptical

... Lenticular





... Irregular



... Dwarf



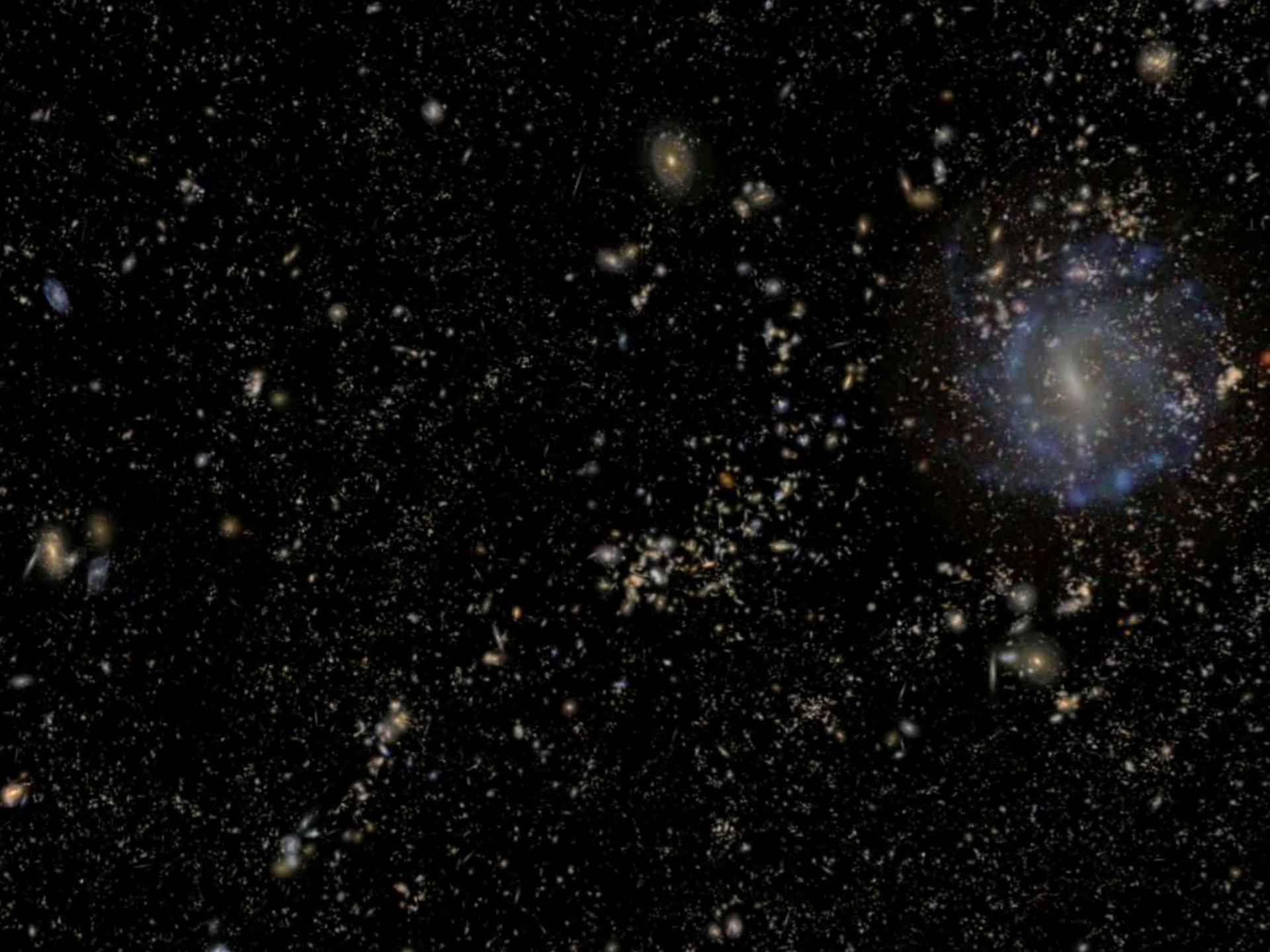
# Sociology of Galaxies

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- Galaxies are not singular objects:
- they group and cluster into a hierarchy of ever larger entities.
- direct manifestation of gravitational attraction between matter: clumping of matter
- Their sociology, ie. the characteristics and patterns in which they group together, is a key to unravelling the formation of structure in the Universe.

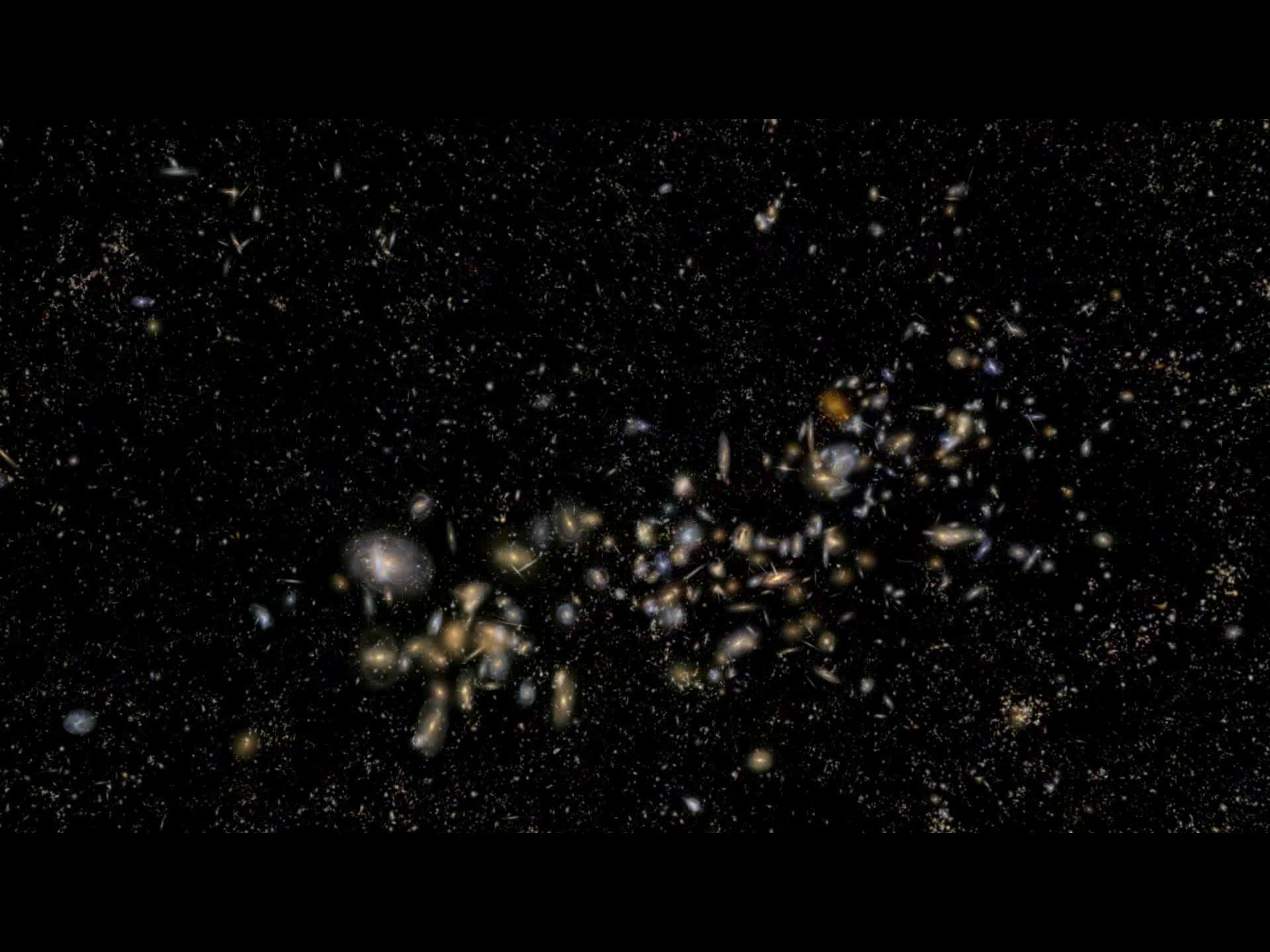
**Local Supercluster,**

**movie, Brent Tully**

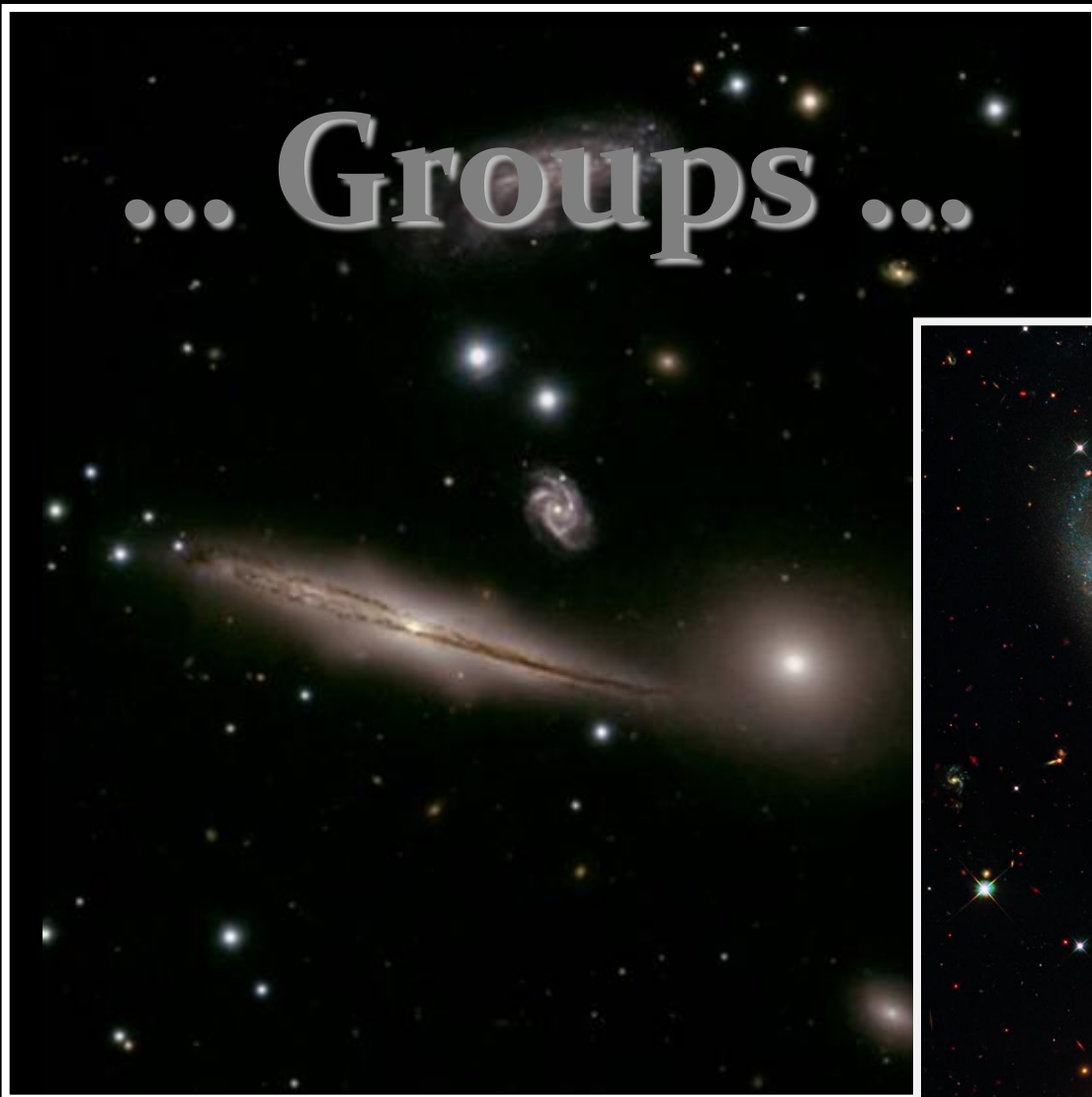


# Interacting Galaxies





... Groups ...



# Clusters of Galaxies

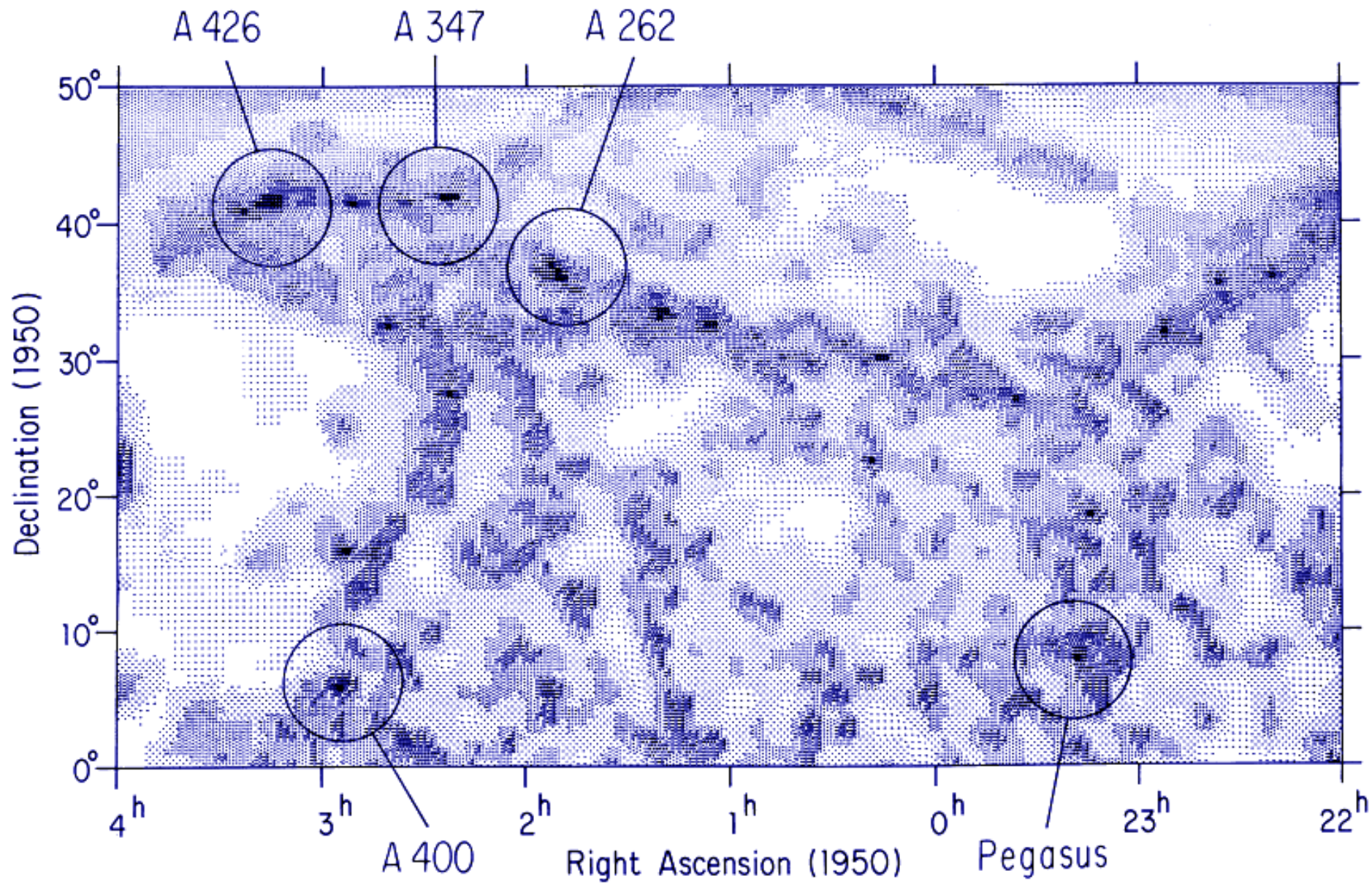




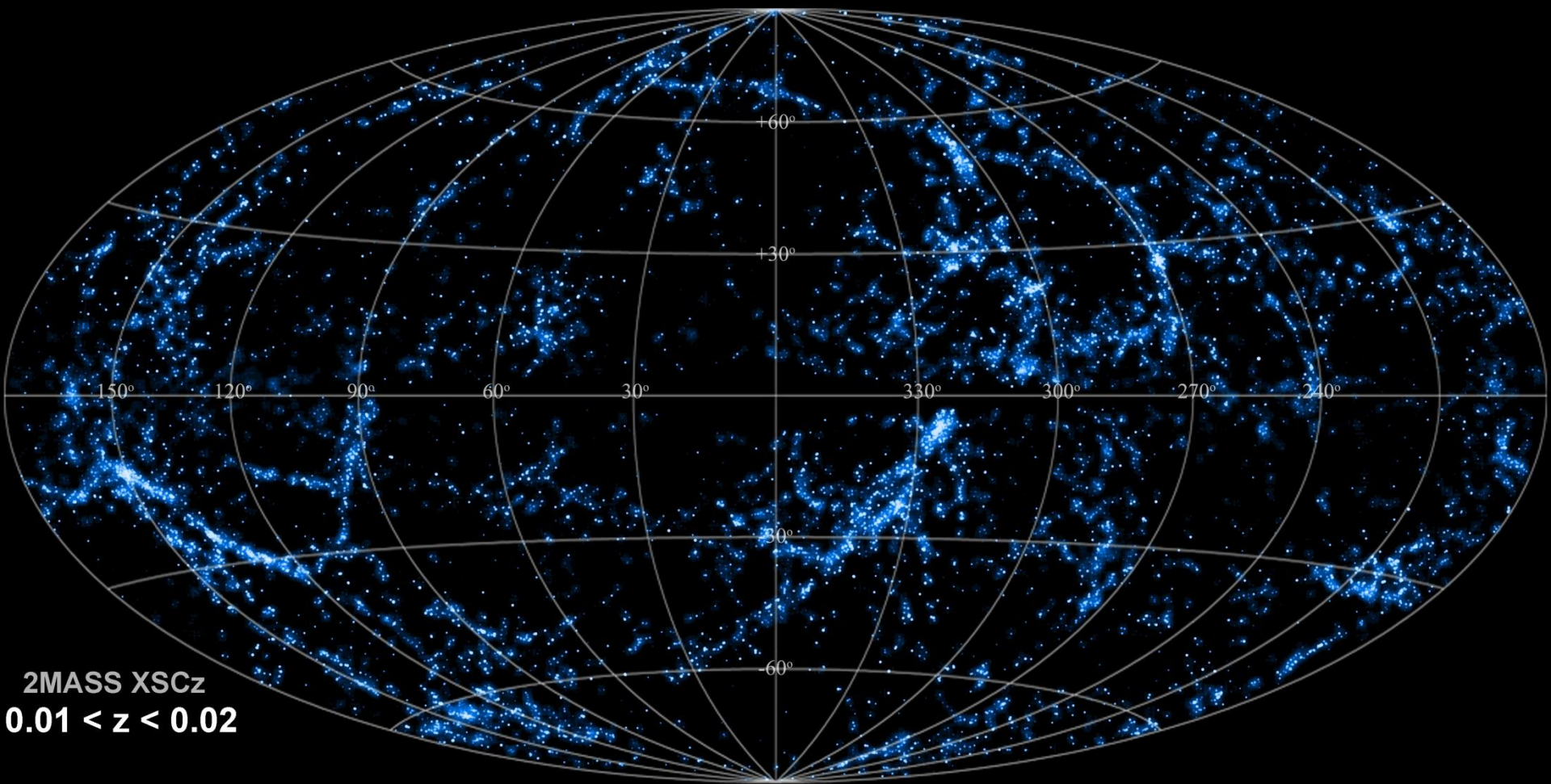
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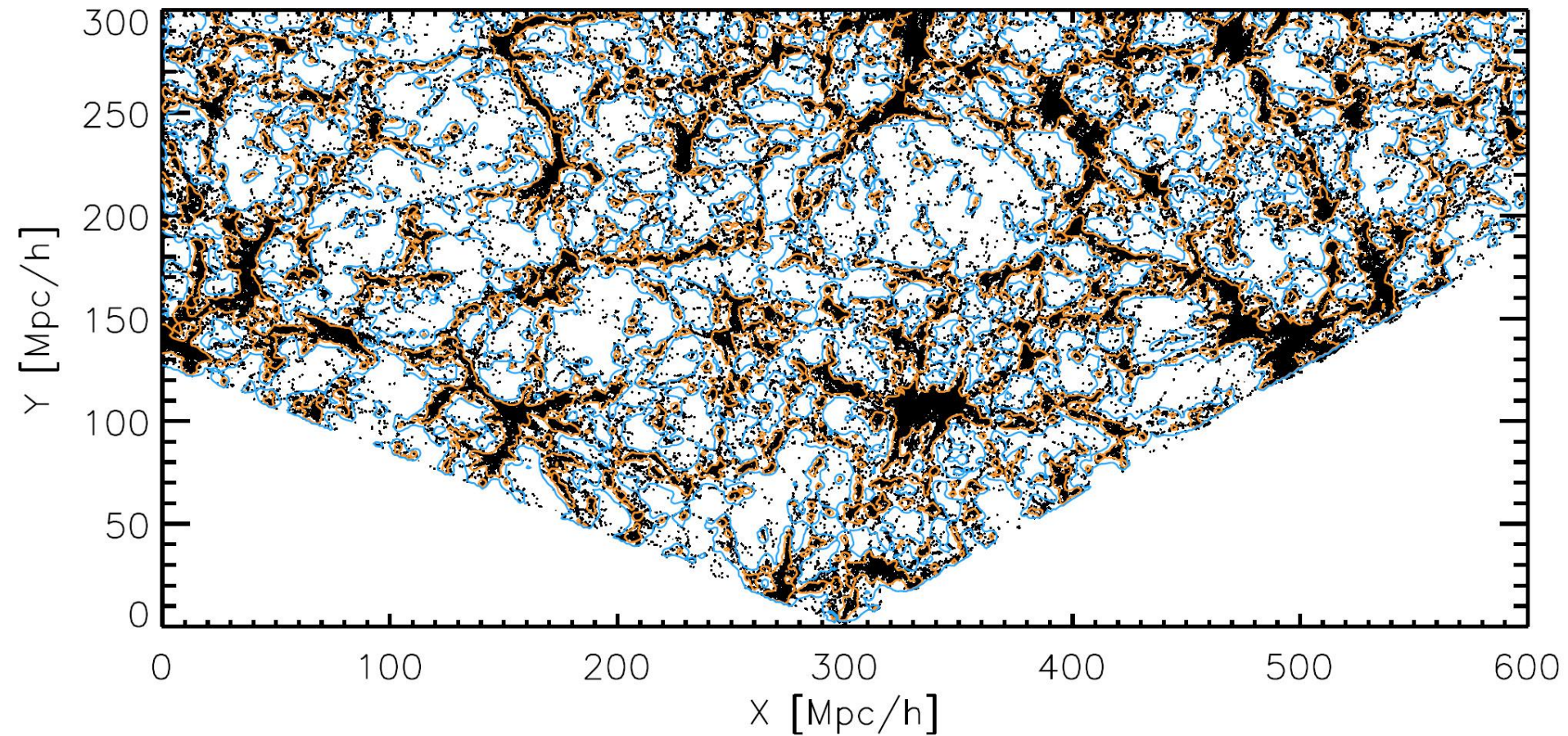
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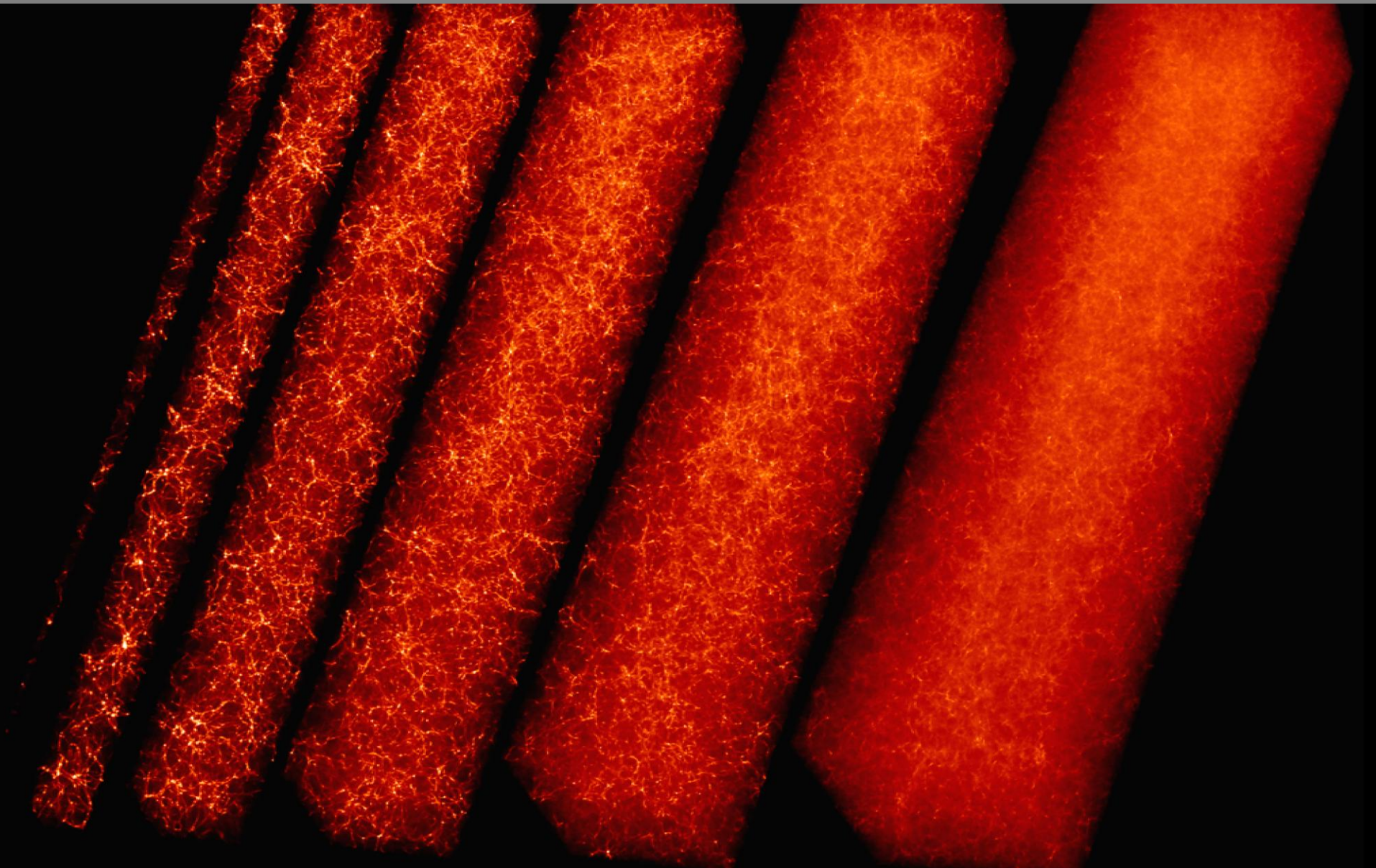
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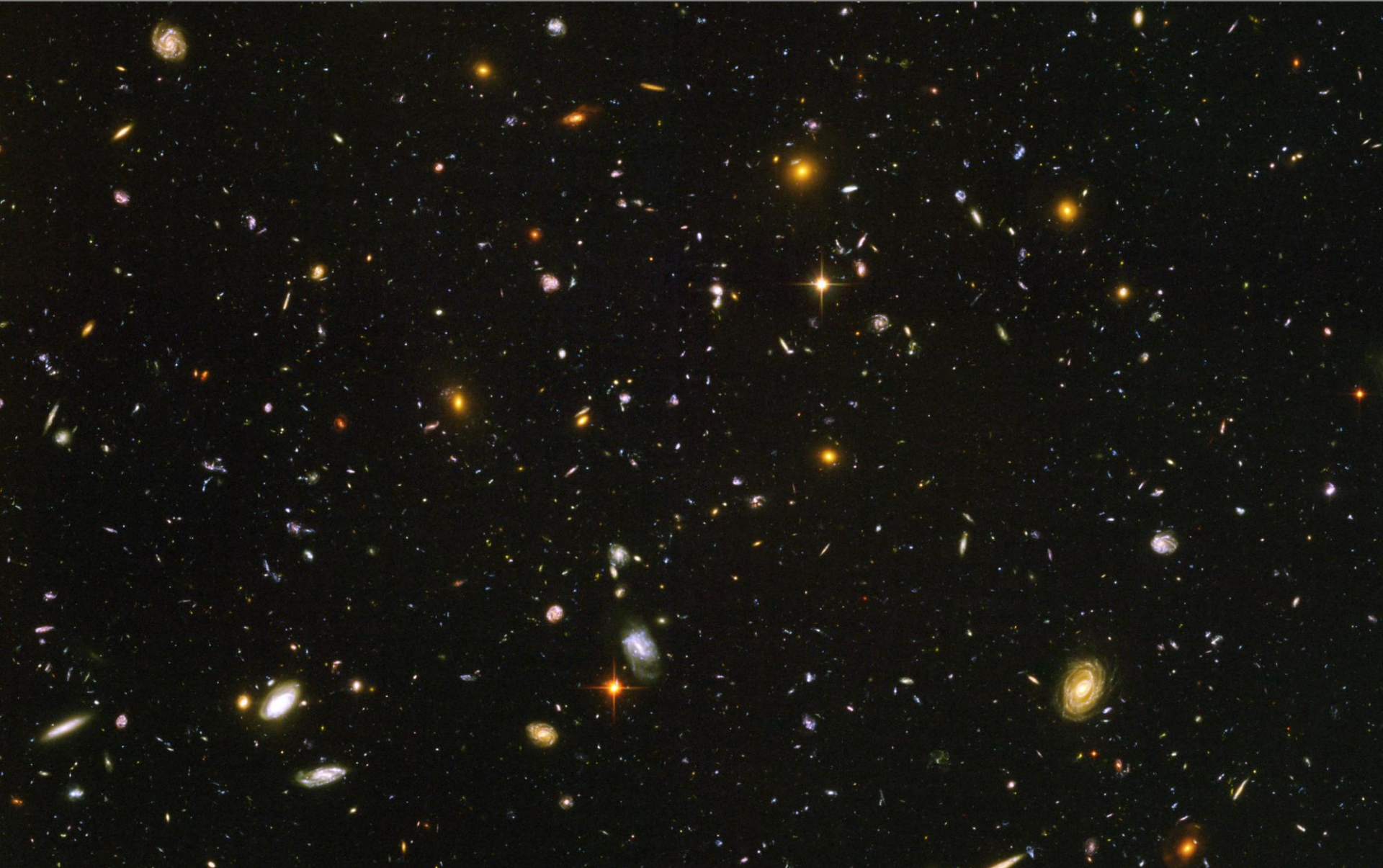
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# To the Depths of Universe



# Megaparsec Scale Structure of the Universe

- Large Scale Structure of the Universe:

crucial information for our understanding of  
structure formation in the Universe

- Dynamic Timescale  $\sim$  Hubble Time (age Universe):

Megaparsec structures have evolved only mildly,  
so that one may infer their formation & evolution,  
and link to conditions primordial Universe

- Compare timescales:

solar system	$\sim 1$ yr
galaxy	$\sim 10^8$ yr
clusters	$\sim 10^9$ yr
Megaparsec structures	$\sim 10^{10}$ yr

## Cosmic Fossil

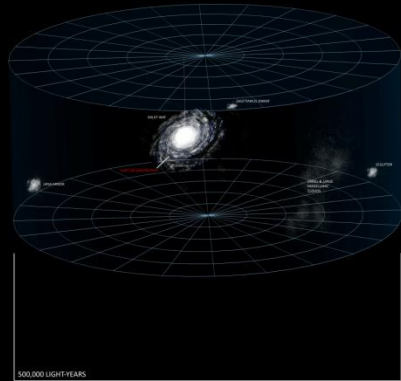
Journey  
along the  
Large-Scale Universe:

Step by Step

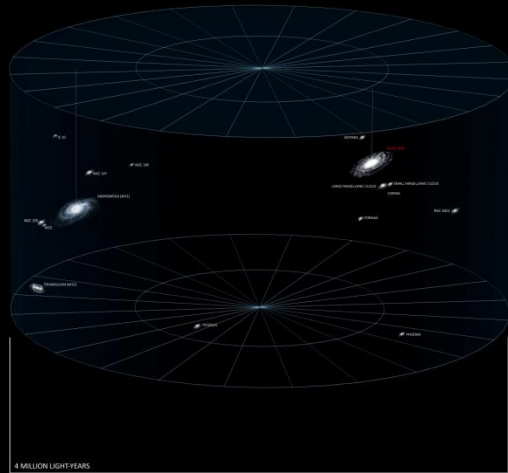


# Local Universe: step by step

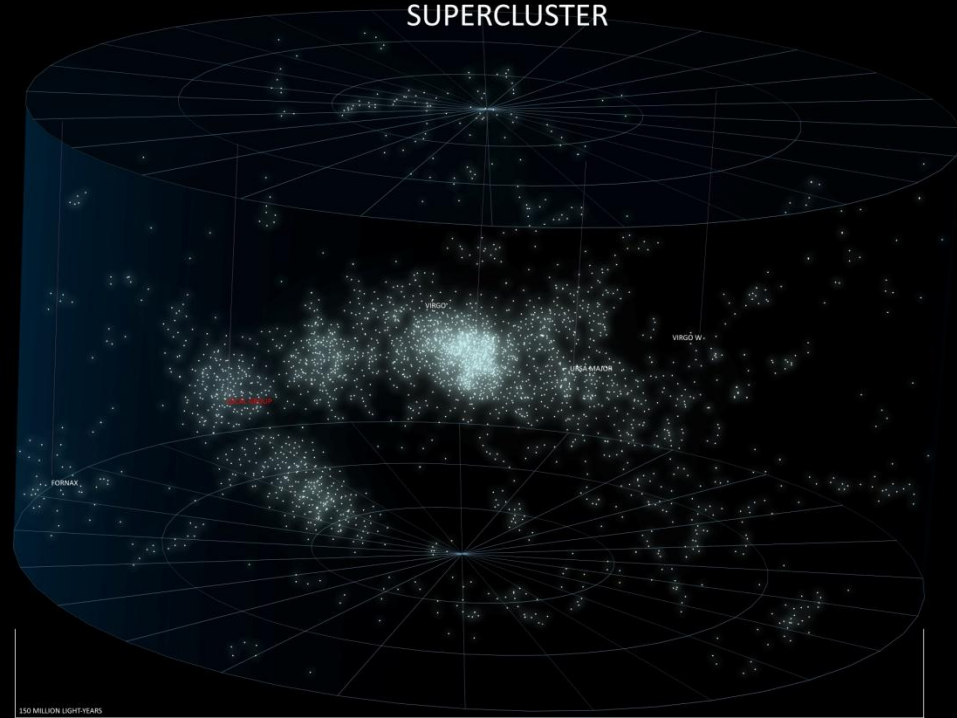
GALACTIC REALM



LOCAL GROUP



SUPERCLUSTER

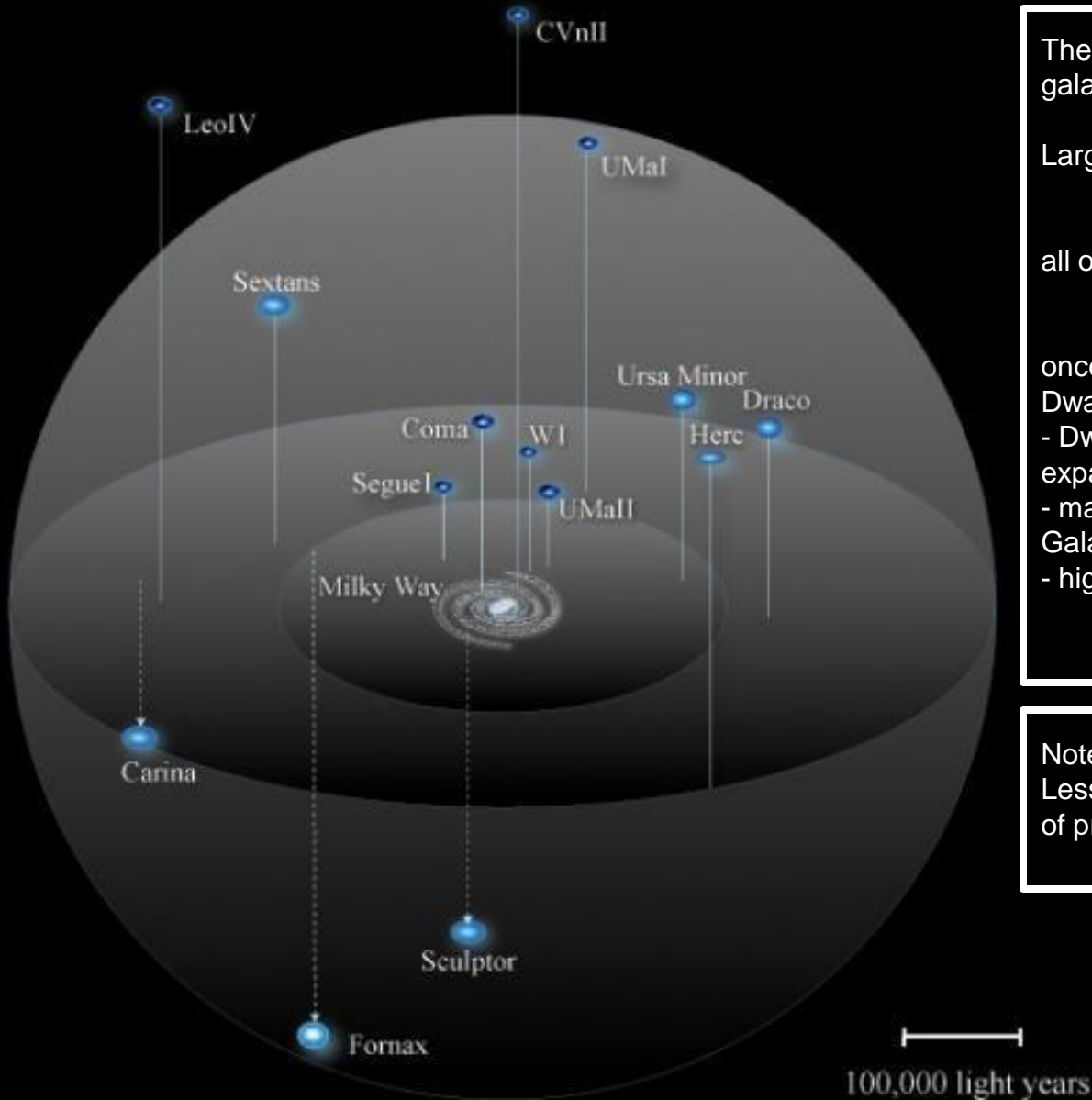




the Milky Way System:

the Galactic Satellites

# Milky Way Satellites



The Milky Way has at least ~14 satellite galaxies.

Large & Small Magellanic Clouds:  
Irregular galaxies

all other satellite galaxies:  
Dwarf Spheroidal

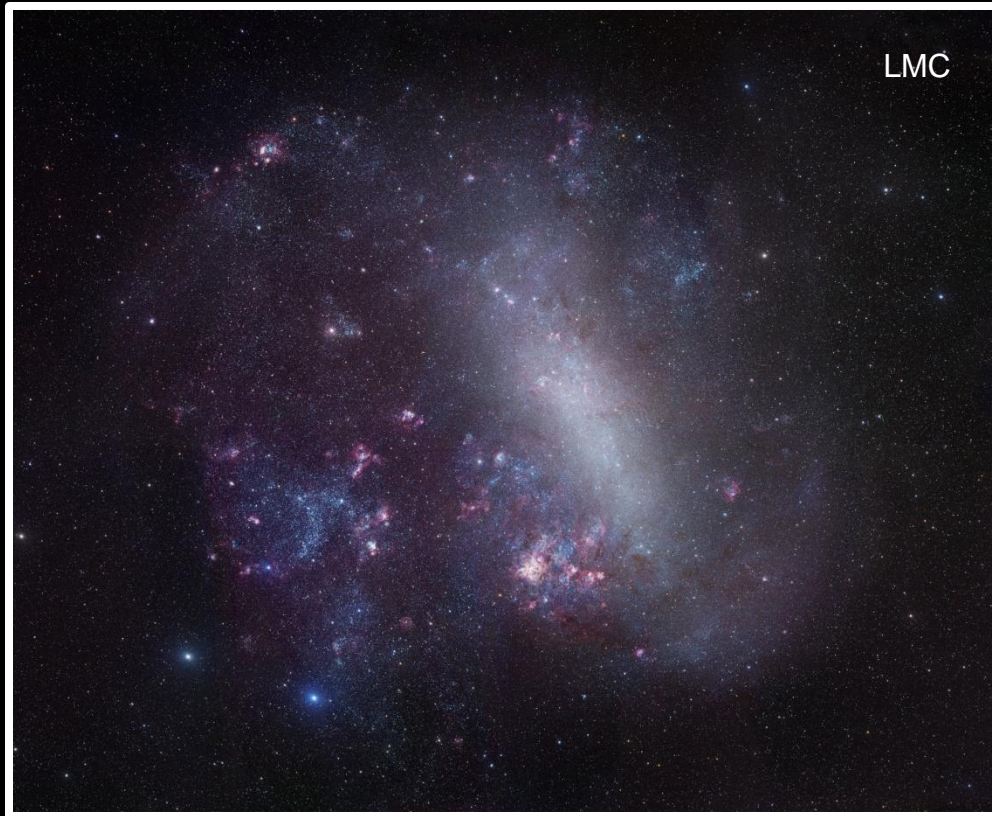
once thought of as globulars,  
Dwarf spheroidals differ on 3 major aspects:

- Dwarf Galaxies contain old stars of a more expanded variety
- mass-to-light ratio much higher in Dwarf Galaxies (significant amounts of dark matter)
- higher abundance of iron than globulars

Note:

Less dwarf satellites than expected on behalf of present theories of galaxy formation

# Milky Way Satellites



Sculptor Dwarf Galaxy

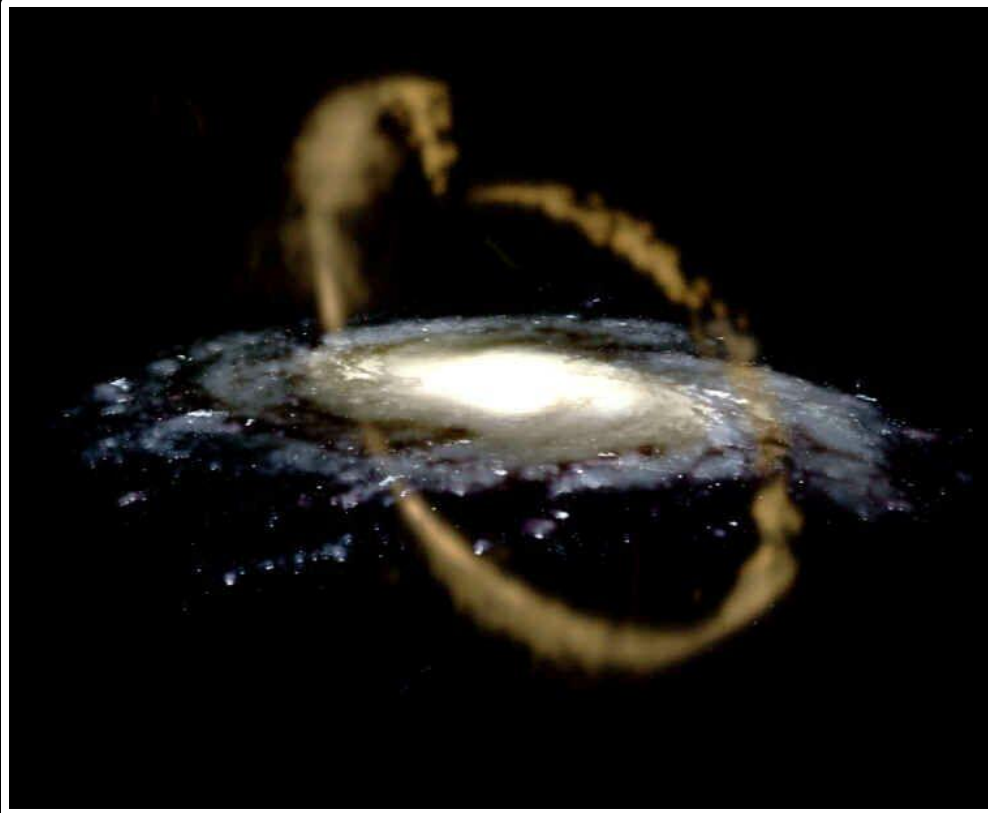


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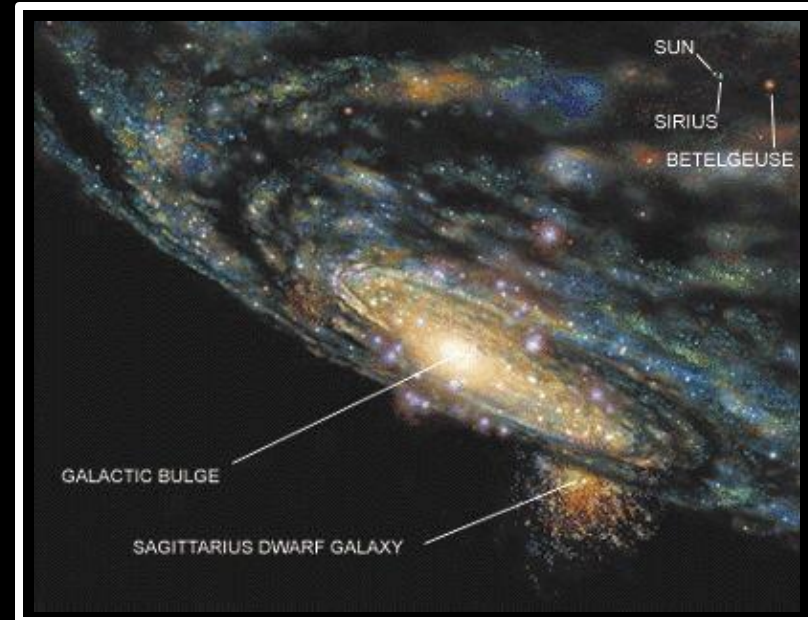
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# Sagittarius Dwarf Galaxy



Nearest known neighbour to Galaxy:  
central cluster (old population II) +  
loop-shaped structure wrapping around Galaxy



Based on current trajectory:

- Sag DEG main cluster is about to pass through the galactic disc of Milky Way within next 100 Myr
- extended loop-shaped ellipse already extended around and through our local space and on through the Milky Way galactic disc  
(will be slowly absorbed into Milky Way)

Globulars:

- 4 globular clusters (incl. M54)
- dynamically linked to 3 young globulars

Multiple stellar populations:

- very oldest globular cluster populations
- stars as young as ~ 100 Myr

# Groups

The image features a dark, star-filled background. In the center, the word "Groups" is written in a white, stylized, serif font. The text is enclosed within a white rectangular border. The background is a deep black space filled with numerous small, multi-colored stars (white, blue, orange, red). Several larger, faint galaxies are visible, including a prominent one in the lower right and another in the lower left, both showing spiral or elliptical structures with reddish-orange cores.

# Groups of Galaxies

- Smallest aggregates of galaxies
- Typically :  $< \sim 50$  galaxies
- Diameter:  $D \sim 1-2$  Mpc (see [10<sup>22</sup> m](#) for distance comparisons). Their
- Mass :  $M \sim 10^{13} M_{\odot}$
- Velocity Dispersion:  $v \sim 150$  km/s
  
- However, this definition should be used as a guide only, as larger and more massive galaxy systems are sometimes classified as galaxy groups.
  
- Milky Way: member of Local Group,  
 $\sim 40$  galaxies
- Nearby Groups: M81 group, Sculptor group, Maffei group
  
- Compact Groups:  
small, relatively isolated, system of typically  $\sim 4-5$  galaxies  
in close proximity

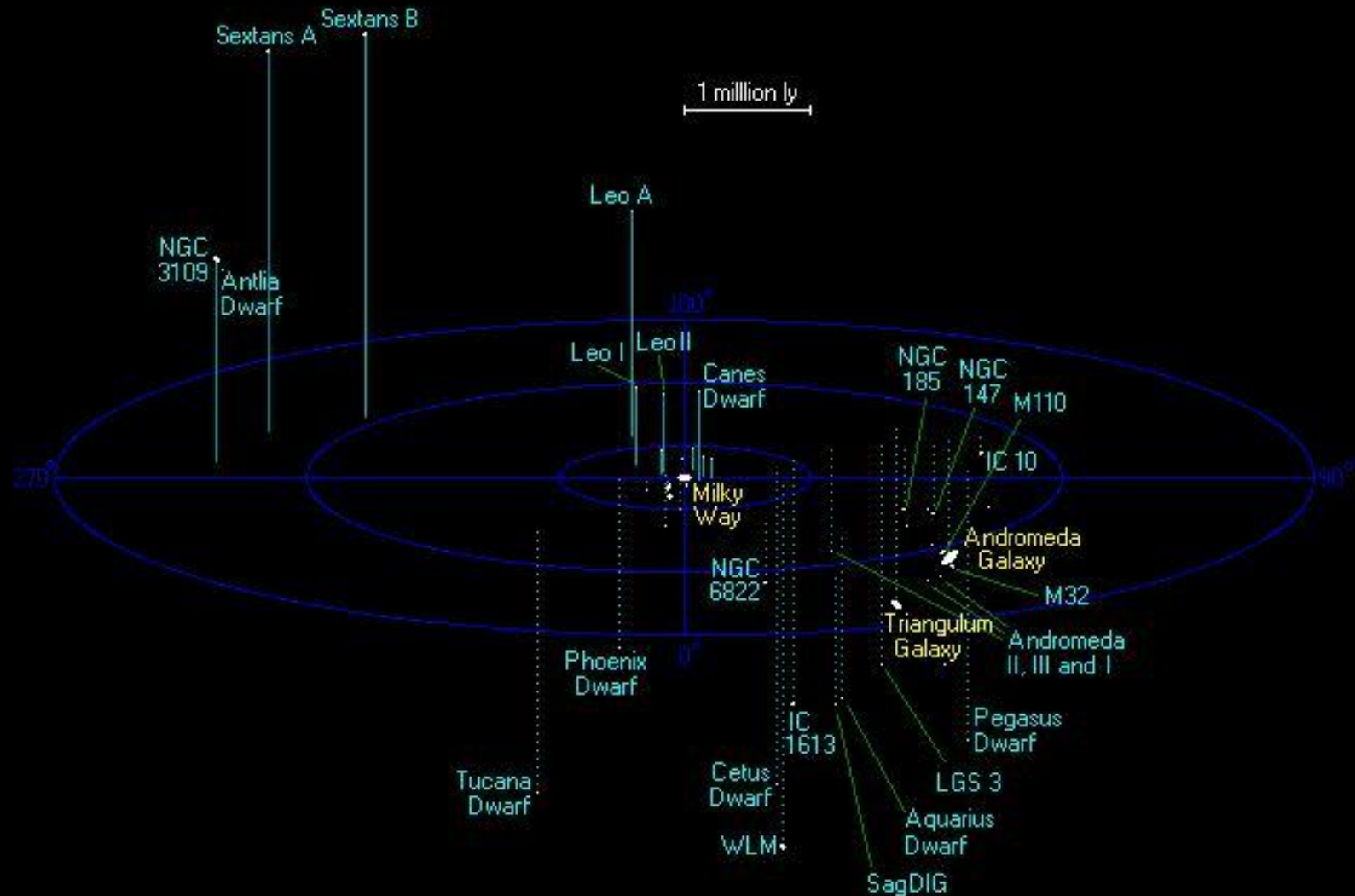


Local Group

the Milky Way Family



# Local Group

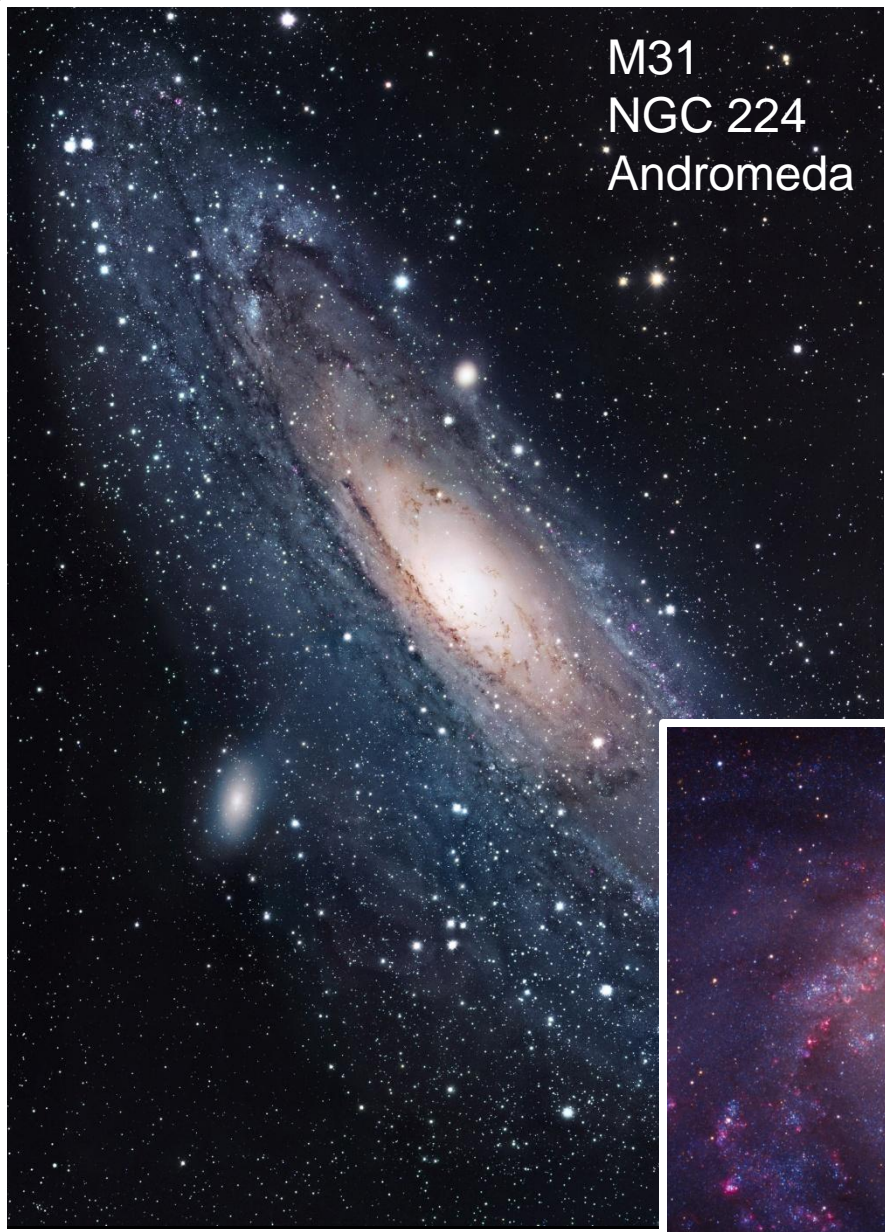


# Local Group

- The **Local Group** is the group of galaxies that includes our galaxy, the Milky Way
- The group comprises ~ 36-40 galaxies, incl. dwarf galaxies
- Gravitational center located somewhere between the Milky Way and the Andromeda Galaxy M<sub>31</sub>
- The two most massive members of the group are
  - the Milky Way & Andromeda Galaxy M<sub>31</sub>
  - additional major galaxy is Triangulum M<sub>33</sub>
  - all these are spiral galaxies
  - Milky Way & M<sub>31</sub> have each a system of satellite galaxies, M<sub>33</sub> perhaps 1 satellite (Pisces Dwarf)
- The other members of the group are gravitationally secluded from these large subgroups:
  - IC<sub>10</sub>, IC<sub>1613</sub>, Phoenix Dwarf, Leo A, Tucana Dwarf, Cetus Dwarf, Pegasus Dwarf Irregular, Wolf-Lundmark-Melotte, Aquarius Dwarf & Sagittarius Dwarf Irregular

# Local Group

## Group Portrait



M31  
NGC 224  
Andromeda



The Galaxy  
Milky Way



M33  
NGC 598  
Triangulum

# Local Group

- Milky Way satellites:

Sagittarius Dwarf Galaxy

Large Magellanic Cloud (LMC)

Small Magellanic Cloud (SMC)

Canis Major Dwarf

Ursa Minor Dwarf

Draco Dwarf , Carina Dwarf,

Sextans Dwarf, Sculptor Dwarf,

Fornax Dwarf,

Leo I, Leo II,

Ursa Major Dwarf

- M<sub>31</sub> satellites:

M32,

M110,

NGC 147,

NGC 185,

And I, And II, And III,

And IV, And V,

Pegasus dSph,

Cassiopeia Dwarf,

And VIII, And IX, And X.

- Diameter Local Group:  $D_{LG} \sim 3 \text{ Mpc}$

- Binary (dumbbell) shape

- Mass Local Group:  $M_{LG} \sim 1.29 \pm 0.14 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$ .

- The group itself is one of many density clumps within the Local Supercluster

# Clusters

The image features a dense field of stars in various colors including red, orange, yellow, green, and purple. A prominent, bright yellow-green star is located near the center. The entire scene is enclosed within a white rectangular border.

# Clusters of Galaxies

- Assemblies of up to 1000's of galaxies within a radius of only

$$R \sim 1.5-2h^{-1} \text{ Mpc},$$

- Total masses:

$$M \sim 10^{14} M_{\odot}$$

- Representing overdensities of  $\Delta \sim 1000$
- Galaxy move around with velocities

$$v \sim 1000 \text{ km/s}$$

- They are the most massive, and most recently, fully collapsed structures in our Universe.

# Clusters of Galaxies



Courtesy:  
O. Lopez-Cruz

## Coma Cluster

# Studying Clusters

Includes many different aspects of these versatile astrophysical laboratories:

- **Optical/Infrared/Ultraviolet**
  - Galaxy Population:  
spatial distribution, kinematics, galaxy morphology
- **X-ray observations**
  - (hot, ionized) intracluster gas
  - distribution (density, temperature): cluster mass
  - abundances heavy elements (enrichment)
- **Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect:**
  - “cluster shadows” in cosmic microwave background radiation
  - CMB microwave wavelength region
  - intracluster gas (pressure)
  - peculiar motion cluster (kinematic SZ)
- **Gravitational Lensing**
  - mainly optical, also radio, submm, ...
  - strong lensing (arcs, rings), weak lensing (sheared images)
  - dark matter mass
  - dark matter distribution
- **Radio wavelengths**
  - radio halos, radio relics
  - synchrotron radiation in shocked, hot, ionized intracluster plasma



# Virgo Cluster



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Distance:  $\sim 18.0 \pm 1.2$  Mpc

Galaxies:  $\sim 1300$ -2000 members

Heart Local Supercluster

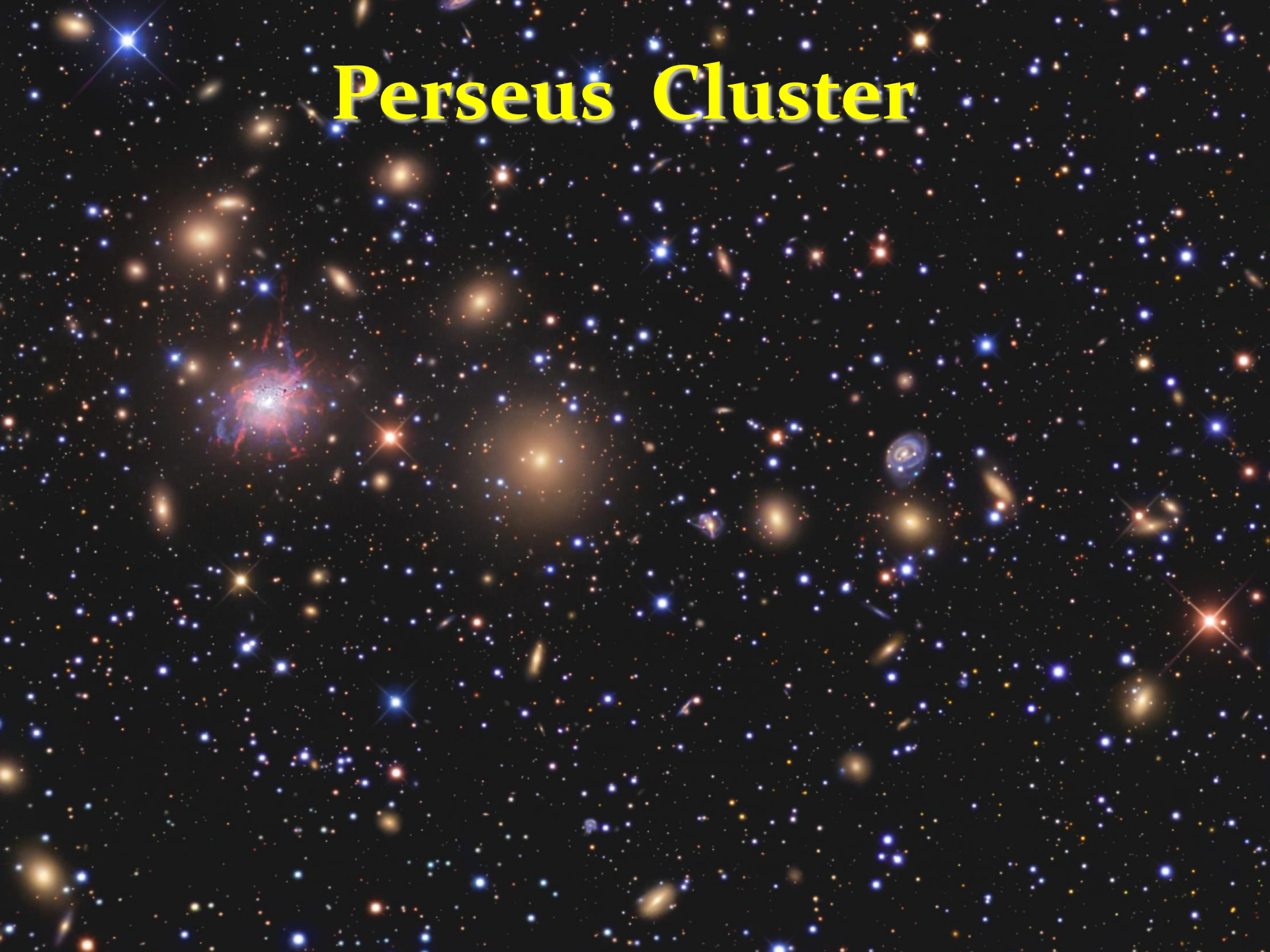
Galaxy Population:

- heterogenous mixture spirals & ellipticals
- giant elliptical M87
- galaxies distributed along oblong filament of 1:4, along line of sight to Galaxy
- 3 subclumps (M87, M86, M49)
- subclump M87:  $M \sim 10^{14} M_{\odot}$

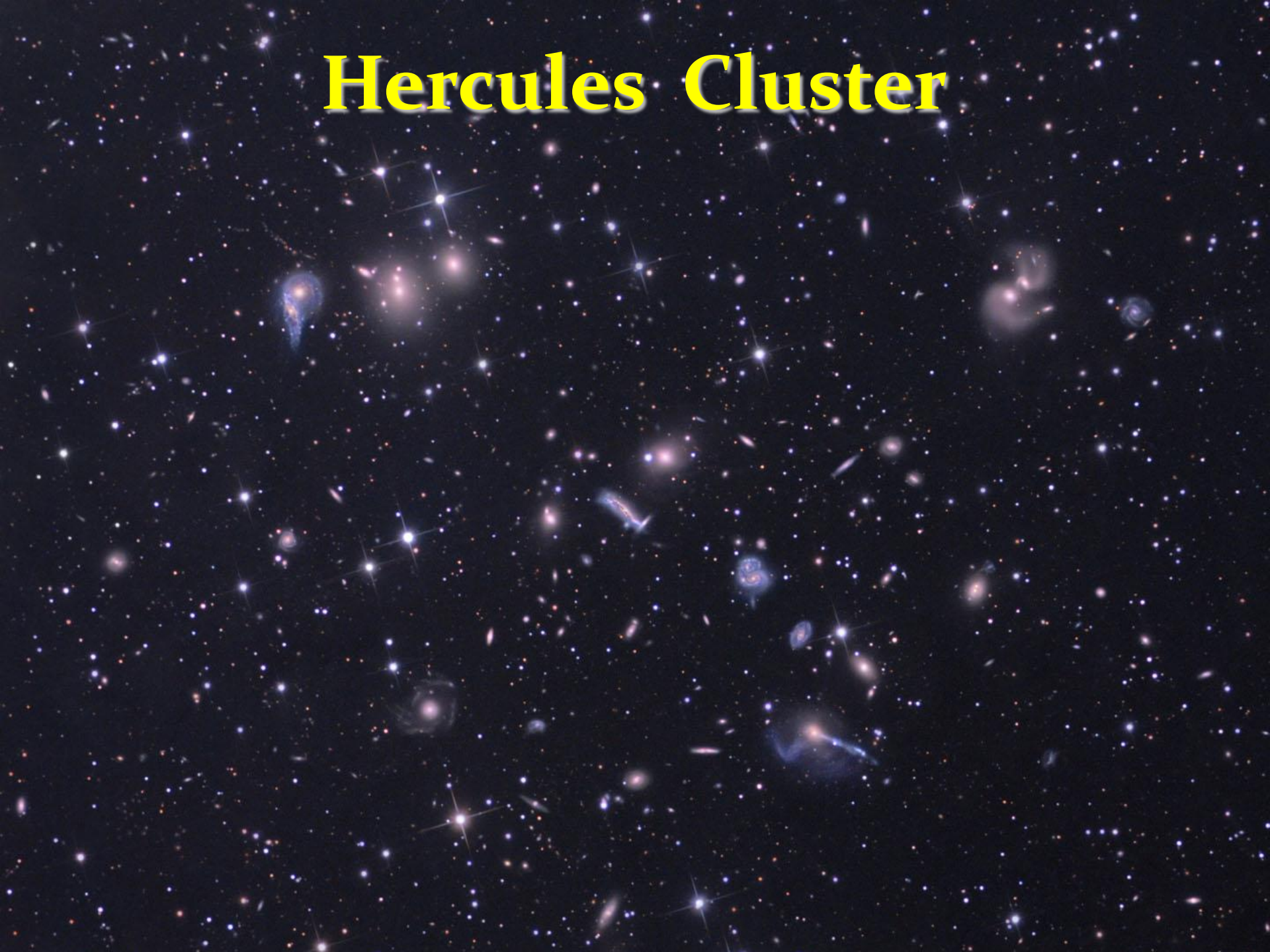
# Coma Cluster



# Perseus Cluster



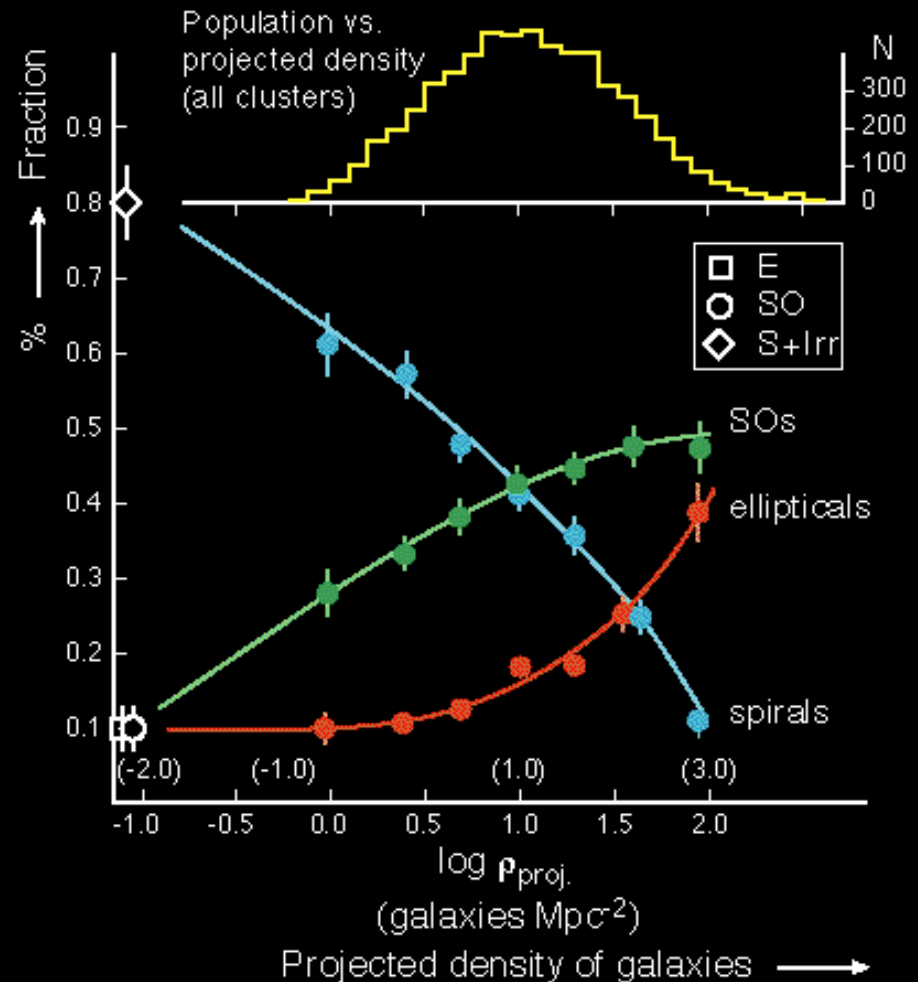
# Hercules Cluster



# Density-Morphology Relation

**Outstanding relation between cosmic environment and galaxies:**

- **Density-Morphology Relation**
- **Dense regions (clusters):**  
early-type galaxies  
(ellipticals, SO,...)
- **Lower Density areas:**  
late-type galaxies  
(spirals, irregulars)
- **From clusters to voids**
- **reflection of effects galaxy interactions (more frequent high densities)**



# Cluster Galaxy Motions

Clusters of galaxies:  
close to virial equilibrium

$$E_{pot} = -2E_{kin}$$

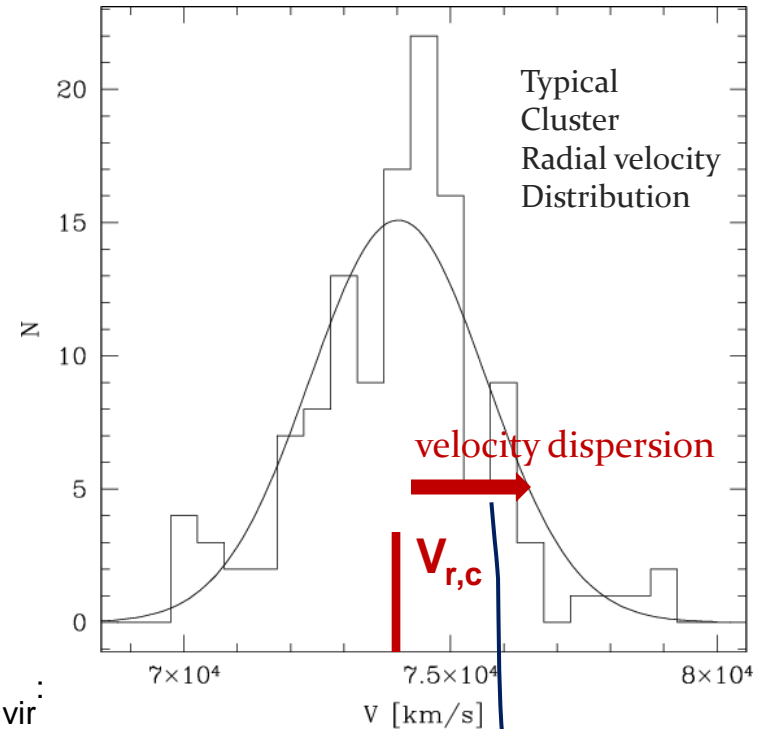
Implicit assumptions:

- Cluster is in virial equilibrium
- measurements span reasonable range cluster
- all bodies same mass (or, fudge factors)
- velocity distribution isotropic

For a cluster with  $N$  galaxies within virial radius  $R_{vir}$ :

$$E_{kin} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i (\vec{v}_i - \vec{v}_c)^2 = \frac{3}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N m_i (v_{r,i} - v_{r,c})^2$$

$$E_{pot} = - \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{Gm_i m_j}{|\vec{r}_i - \vec{r}_j|}$$



$$E_{kin} \approx \frac{3}{2} M_{tot} \langle v_r - v_{r,c}^2 \rangle$$

$$M_{tot} = \sum_{i=1}^N m_i$$

$$E_{pot} \approx -\frac{1}{2} G \frac{M_{tot}^2}{R_{vir}}$$

→  $M_{tot}$

# Clusters of Galaxies

- Clusters not only contain galaxies:
- in fact, galaxies & stars are a minor component:

## I. Clusters are Halos of Dark Matter:

$$M_{\text{DM}}/M_{\text{total}} \sim 82\%$$

## II. Clusters are Hot Balls of (highly ionized) Gas

$$M_{\text{ICM}}/M_{\text{total}} \sim 16-17\%$$

## III. Galaxies are mainly raisins in a sea of dark matter & hot gas

$$M_{\text{stars}}/M_{\text{total}} \sim 2\%$$



# Clusters of Galaxies: X-ray intracluster gas

Baryonic matter in clusters is not only confined to galaxies:

~ 2 to 5 times more baryonic mass in the form of a **diffuse hot X-ray emitting**

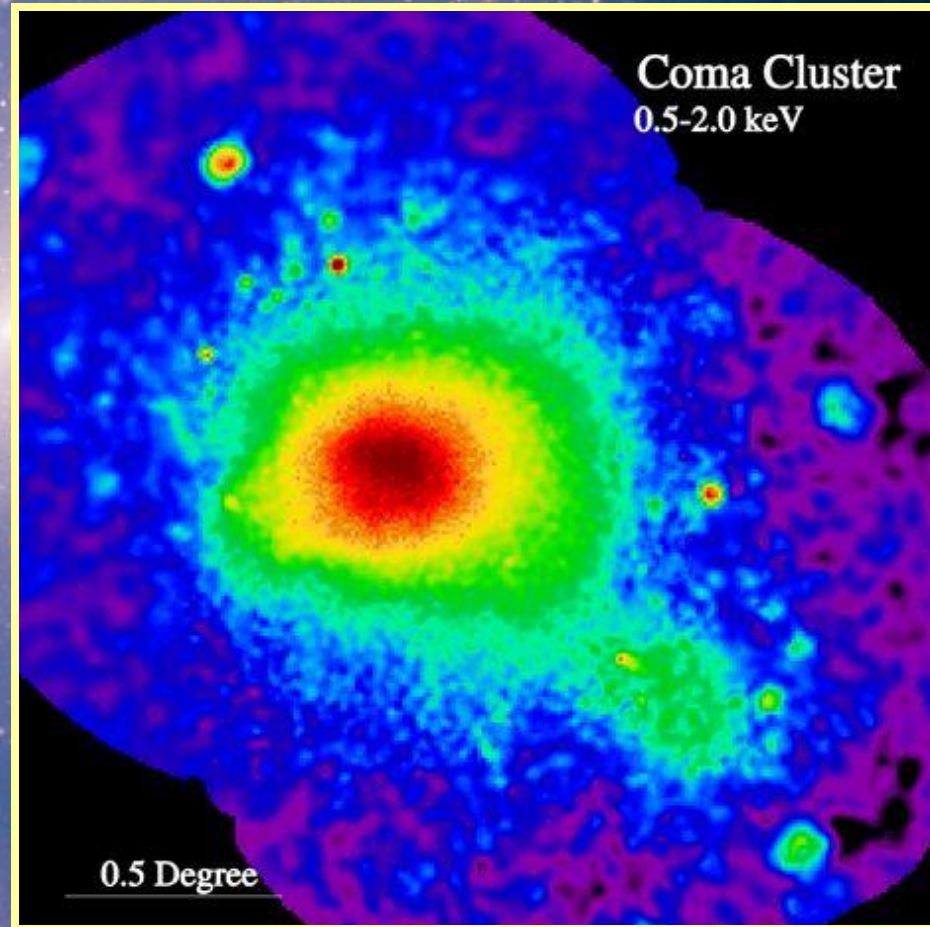
**Intracluster Gas,**

trapped and heated to a temperature of the order of

$$T \sim 10^8 \text{ K}$$

by the gravitational potential of the cluster.

At such high temperatures, this gas is a fully ionized plasma, producing powerful X-ray emission, bremsstrahlung radiation induced by the electron-ion interactions.



ROSAT X-ray image Coma Cluster



CL 0016+1609



Abell 665



MACS J1149.5+223



CL J1226.9+3332



Abell 1689



Abell 1914

# Cluster Mass: X-ray intracluster gas

## Hydrostatic Equilibrium:

$$\frac{GM(r)}{r^2} = -\frac{k_B T}{\mu m_H} \left[ \frac{d \log \rho}{dr} + \frac{d \log T}{dr} \right]$$

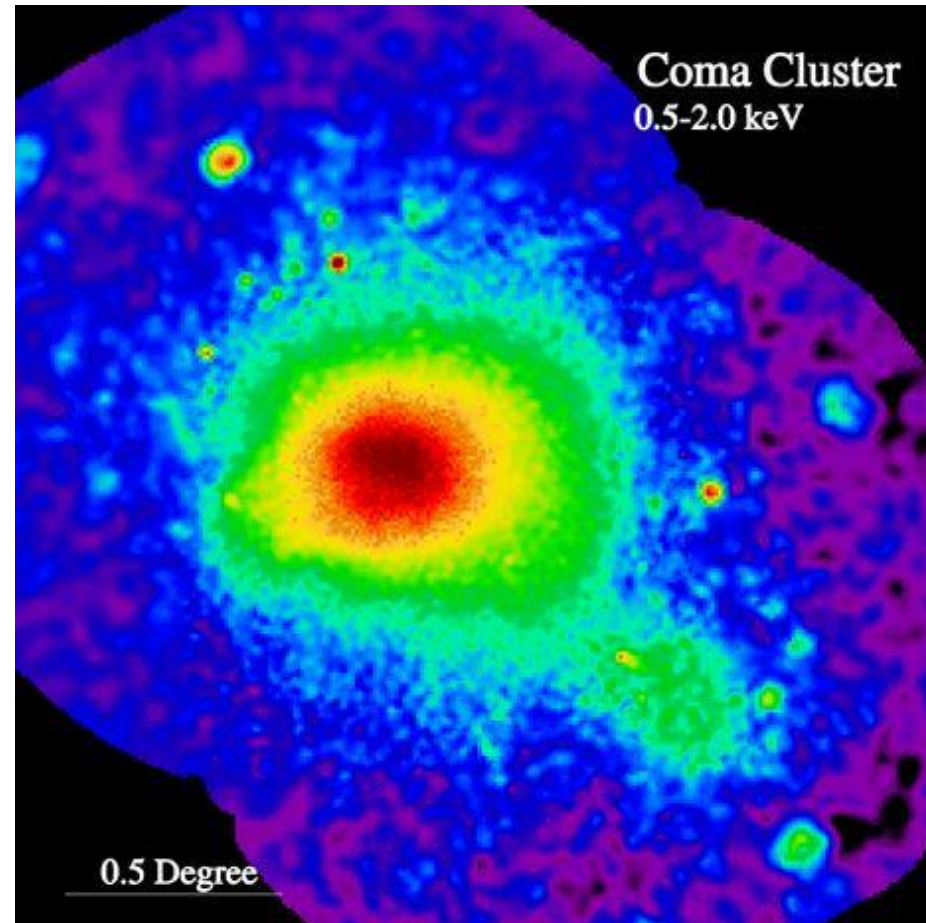
Determination Mass from X-ray observations:

-assumption:

Isothermal:  $T(r) = T_0$

-density profile:

X-ray emission Bremsstrahlung:  $L(r) \sim \rho(r)^2$



ROSAT X-ray image Coma Cluster

# Cluster Mass: X-ray intracluster gas

Keeping in mind that X-ray emission confined to the deepest parts of the potential well

(within inner  $R \sim 1.5 h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$ )

Typical mass for clusters:

- $M_{total} \approx 5 \times 10^{14} - 5 \times 10^{15} M_{\odot}$
- $\frac{M_{star}}{M_{total}} \sim 1 - 2\%$ ;  $\frac{M_{gas}}{M_{total}} \sim 16 - 17\%$ ;  $\frac{M_{DM}}{M_{total}} \sim 82\%$

Dark Matter dominates the mass budget in the Universe:

Mass-light ratio for clusters,

$$\frac{M}{L_B} \approx (450 \pm 100) h$$

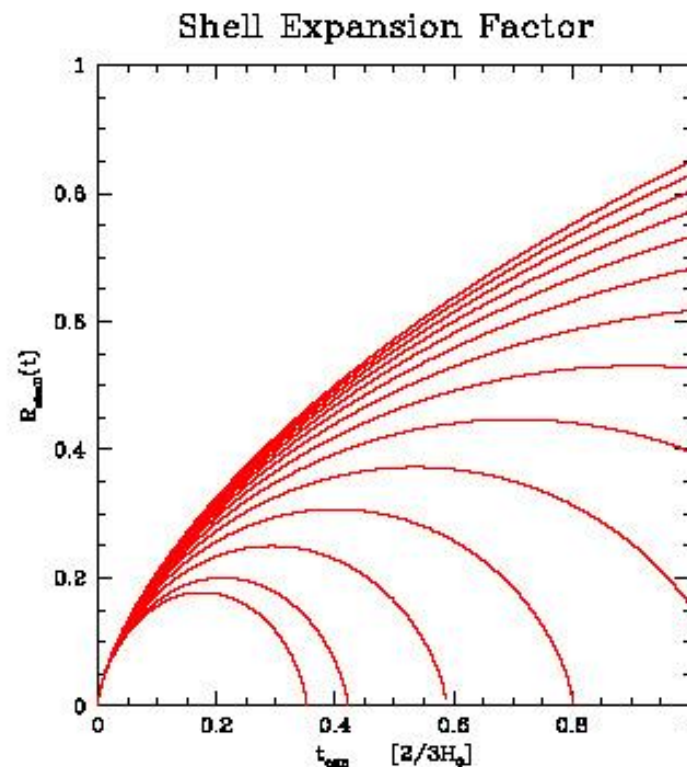
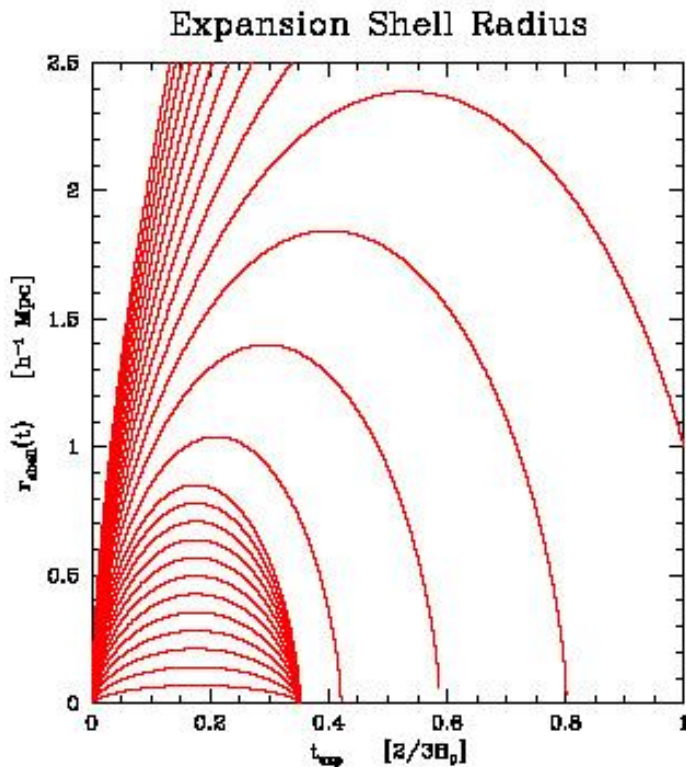
Considerably higher than the value for a normal galaxy,  $(M/L)_{gal} \sim 1-2$

# Cluster Formation

- Clusters form around peaks in the primordial density field
- Excess Gravity counteracts the Cosmic Expansion:
  - slowdown of recession velocity surrounding matter
  - turning into infall
- Growing mass of cluster strengthens its gravitational attraction:
  - runaway growth of cluster
- Initially expanding cluster peak comes to a halt,
  - turns around into infall
  - contraction
  - collapse
  - after collapse the cluster virializes:
    - exchange of energy to reach equilibrium
- See movie:
  - gas density evolution
  - movie Klaus Dolag

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**Cluster Formation,  
simulation,**

**movie, KlausDolag**

# Clusters of Galaxies: Gravitational Lenses

A highly promising method to determine the amount and distribution of

**matter in the Universe**

looks at the way it affects

**the trajectories of photons**

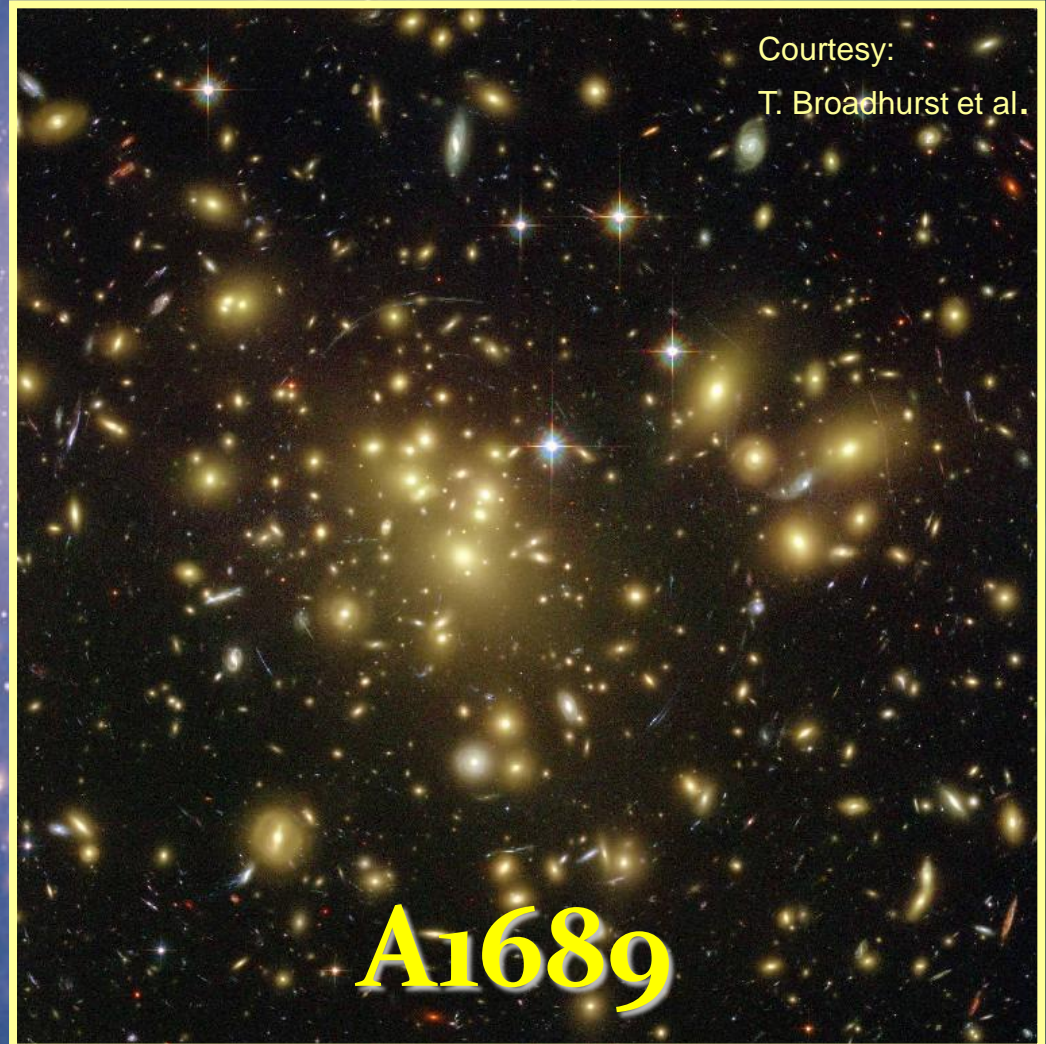
According to

Einstein's theory of

General Relativity,

gravitational potential wells will bend and focus light. Dark matter concentrations act as a

**Gravitational Lens**

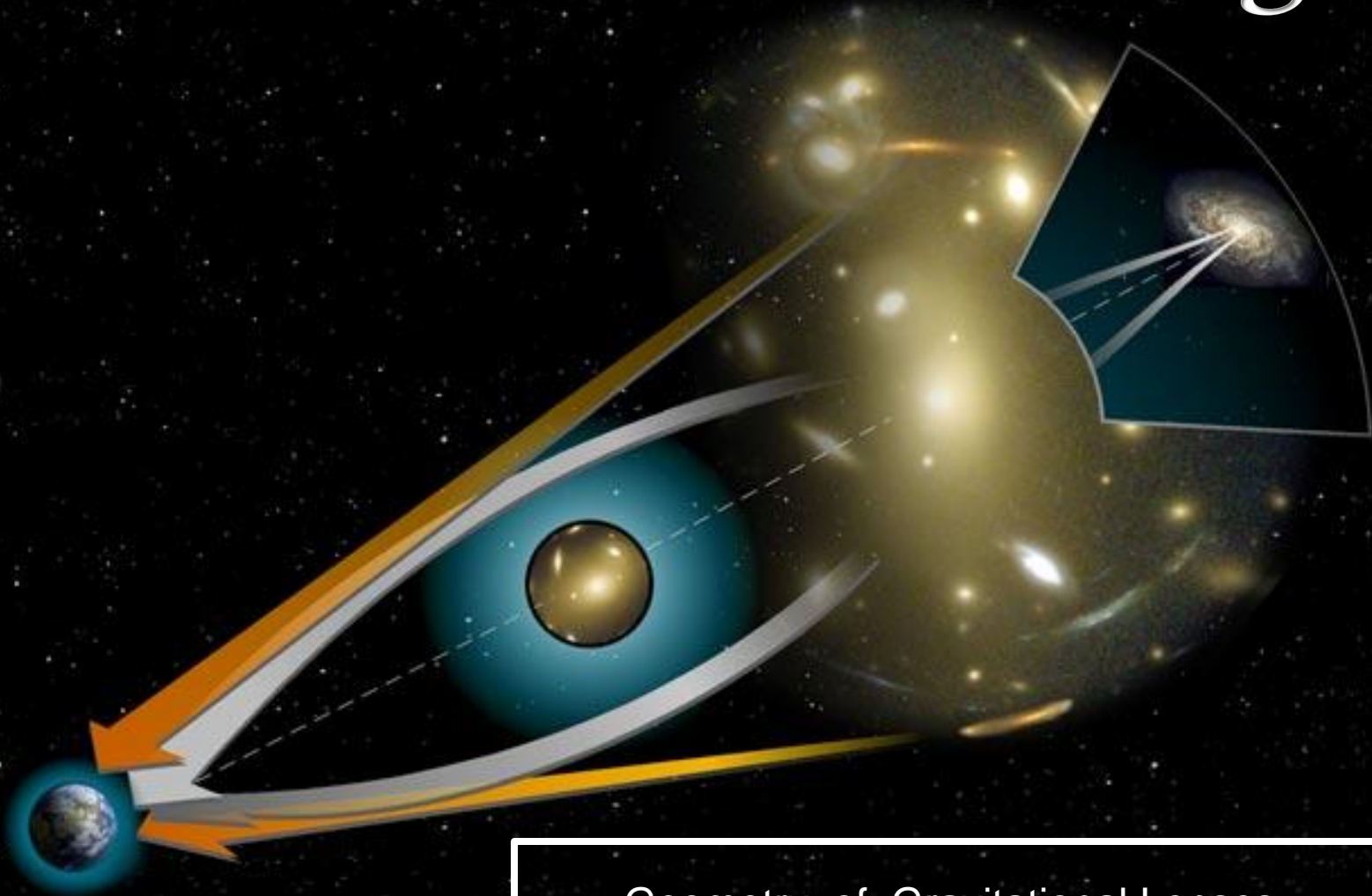


Courtesy:  
T. Broadhurst et al.

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# Clusters: Gravitational Lensing



Geometry of Gravitational Lenses

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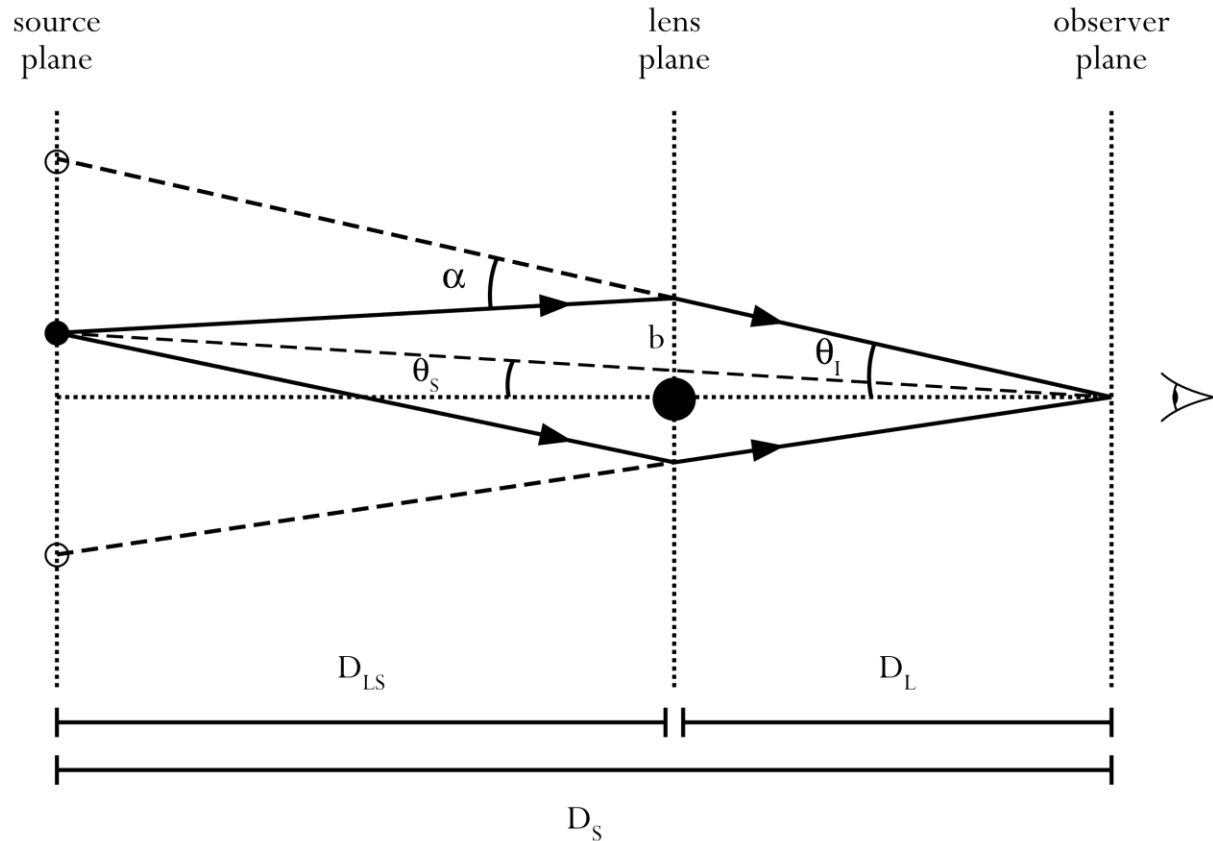
Point mass, mass  $M$ :

Gravitational deflection can be calculated from General Relativity.

For small angles  $\alpha$ :

$$\alpha = \frac{4G M}{c^2 b}$$

$b$ : impact parameter  
(closest distance beam to  
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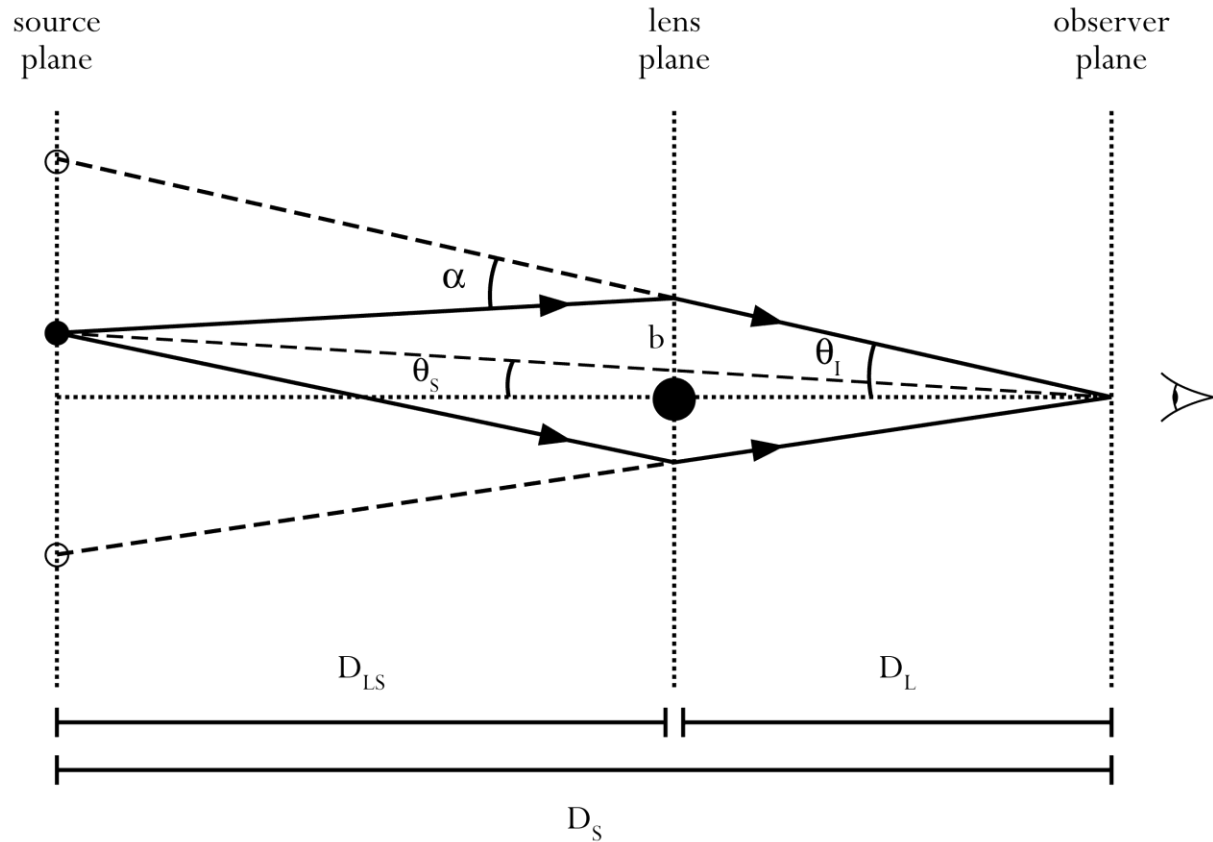
Illustration of Effect Gravitational Lens  
Background Galaxies

# Clusters: Gravitational Lensing

## Einstein Radius

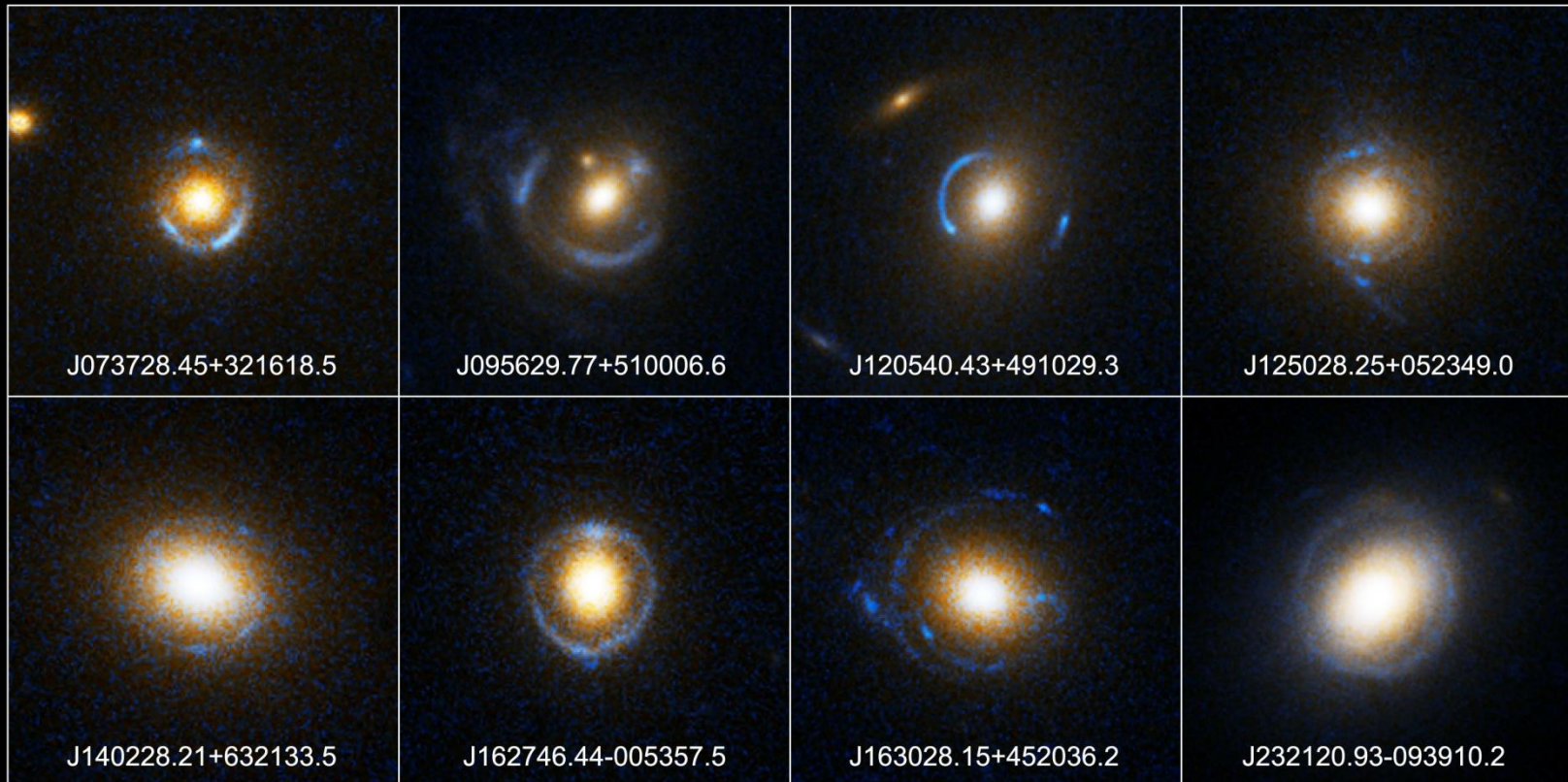
- radius of an Einstein Ring
- Einstein Ring:  
deformation light single  
source into ring as  
source, lens & observer  
aligned
- characteristic angle/radius  
of lensing

$$\theta_E = \sqrt{\frac{4GM}{c^2} \frac{d_{LS}}{d_L d_S}}$$



Geometry of Gravitational Lenses

# Gravitational Lensing: Einstein Ring



**Einstein Ring Gravitational Lenses**  
*Hubble Space Telescope • Advanced Camera for Surveys*

# Gravitational Telescopes: Weak vs. Strong Lensing

$$\theta_E = \sqrt{\frac{4GM}{c^2} \frac{d_{LS}}{d_L d_S}}$$

Two kinds of lensing:

- **Strong Lensing:**

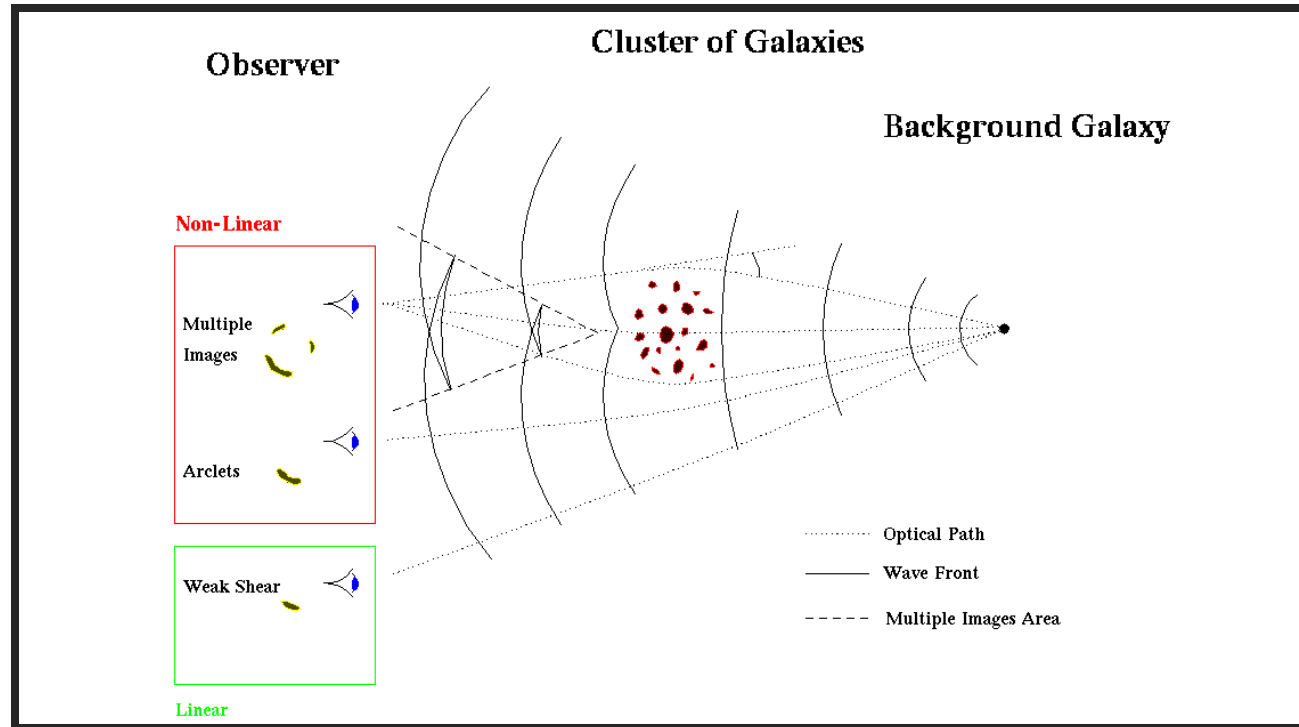
$$\theta < \theta_E$$

- nonlinear distortions
- multiple image

- **Weak Lensing:**

$$\theta > \theta_E$$

- linear distortions
- sheared images

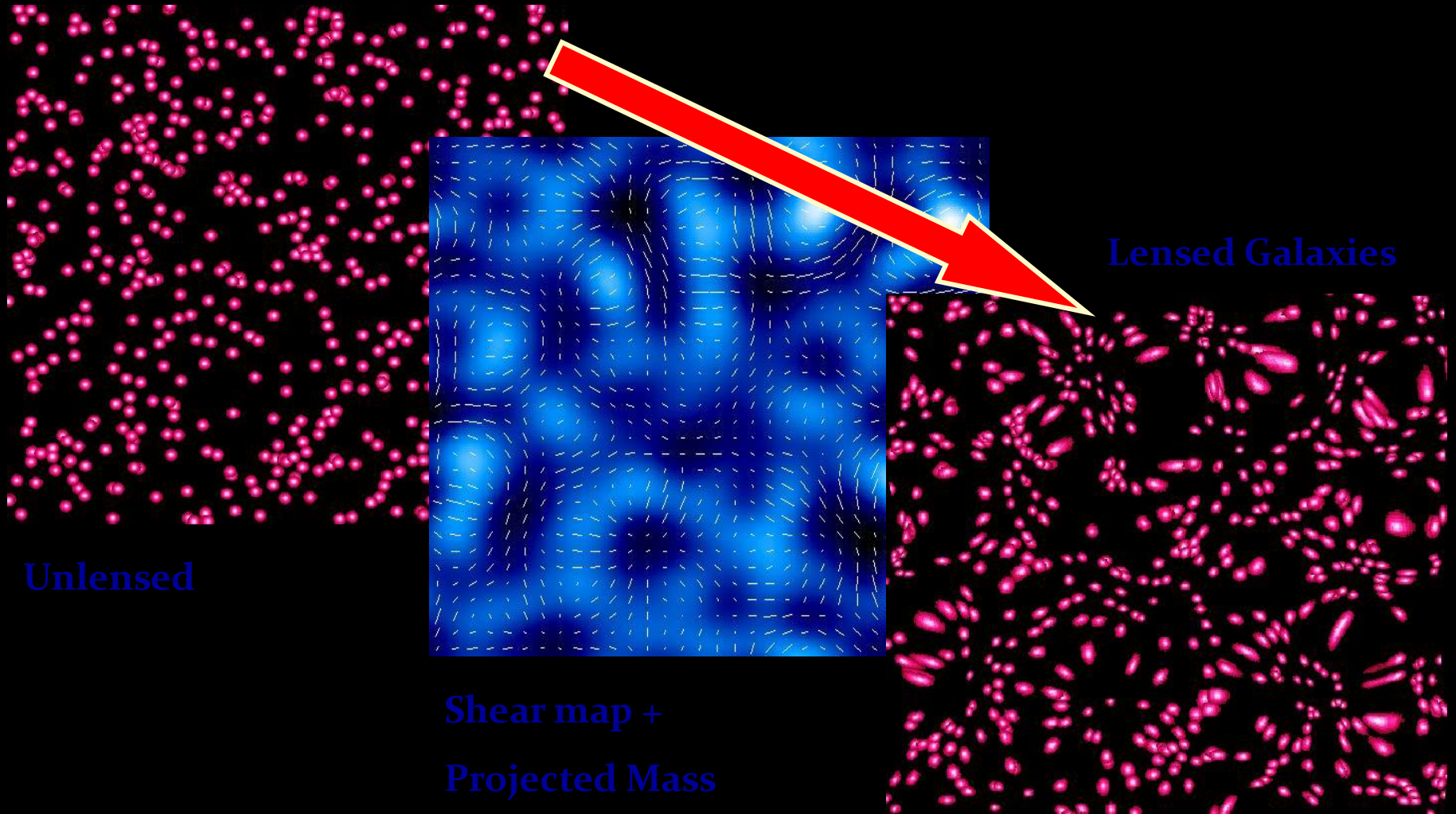


## Cluster Mass determination:

Weak Lensing: Linear Inversion Distortion Field

Strong Lensing: Complex Modeling density distribution.  
non-trivial

# Weak Gravitational Lensing



Unlensed

Lensed Galaxies

Shear map +  
Projected Mass

# Weak Gravitational Lensing: MS1054

•  $z=0.83$ :

one of the highest known  $z$   
clusters

Weak Lensing study by

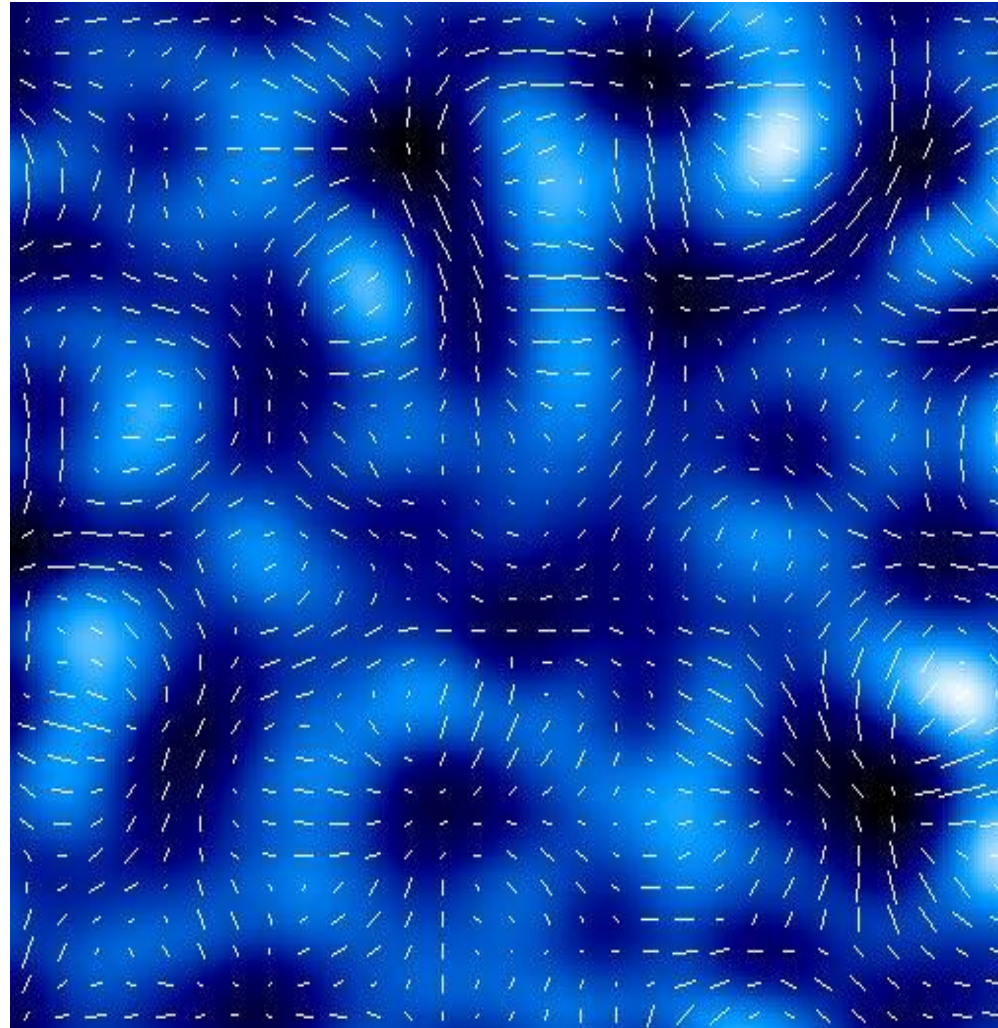
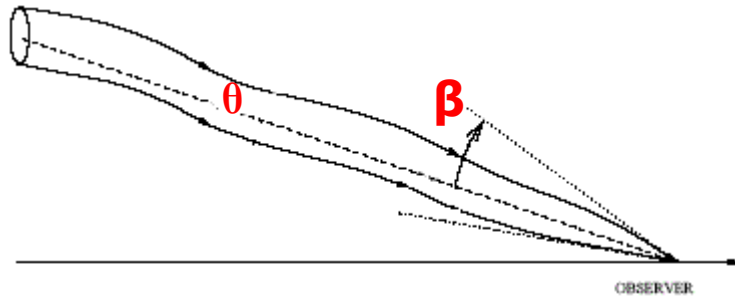
- Clowe et al. Keck
- Hoekstra et al. HST



# Weak Gravitational Lensing

$$A_{ij} \equiv \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \theta_j} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \kappa & 0 \\ 0 & 1 - \kappa \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -\gamma_1 & \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_2 & \gamma_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Magnification                      Shear



$$\kappa = \frac{1}{2} (\phi_{,11} + \phi_{,22})$$

$$\gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2} (\phi_{,11} - \phi_{,22})$$

$$\gamma_2 = \phi_{,12}$$

$$\phi_{,ij} = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j}$$

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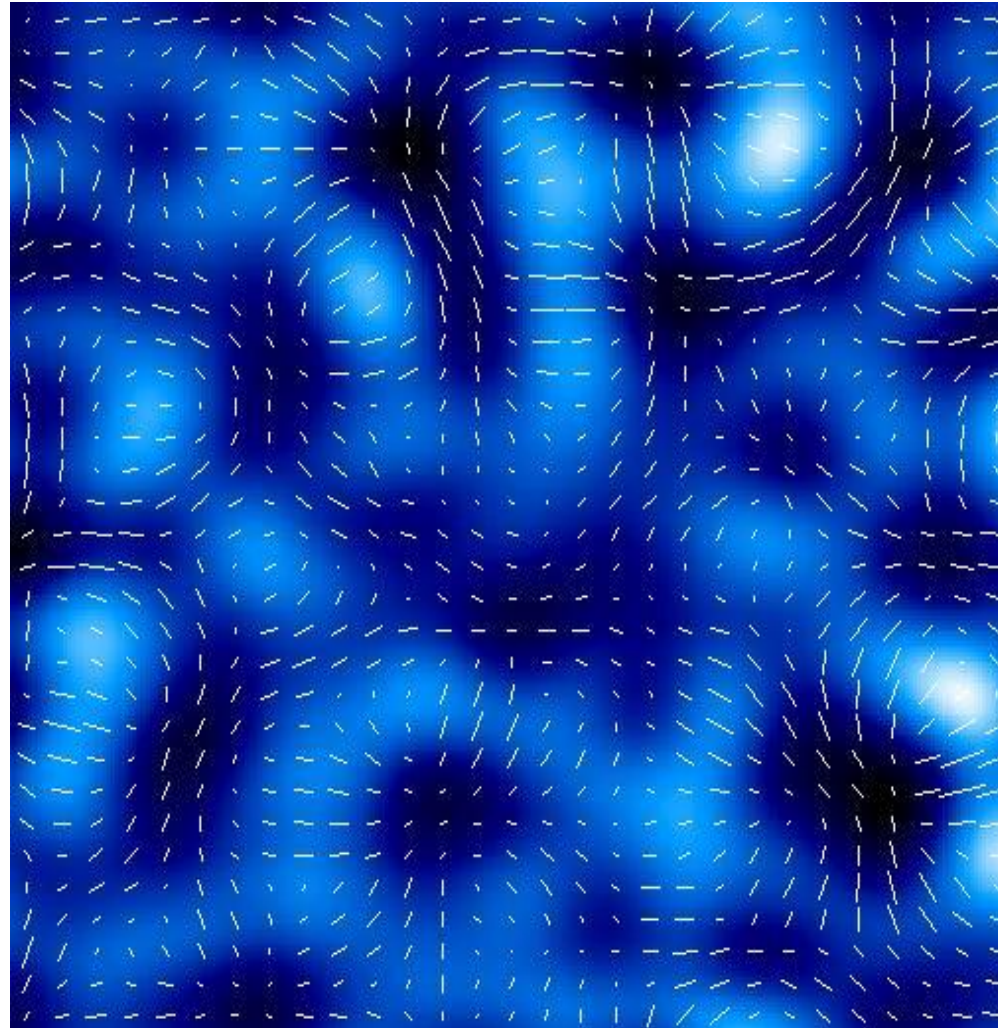


**Lensing Potential**

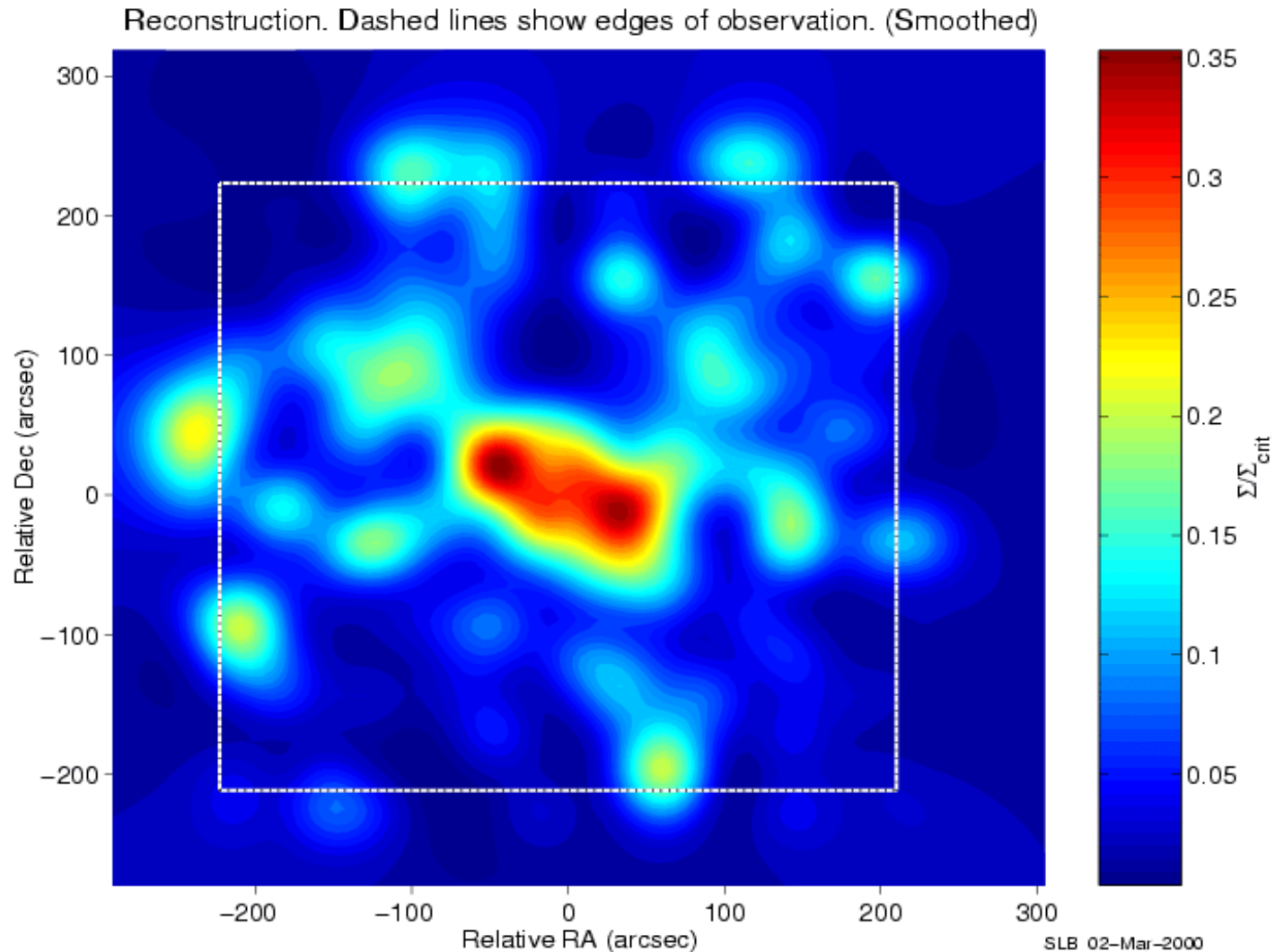
related to

**Peculiar Gravitational Potential**

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2}{c^2} \int_0^r dr' \Phi(\mathbf{r}') \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{r'} \right)$$



# Weak Gravitational Lensing: MS1054



# Clusters of Galaxies: Dark Matter Map

A highly promising method to determine the amount and distribution of

**matter in the Universe**

looks at the way it affects

**the trajectories of photons.**

According to

Einstein's theory of

General Relativity,

gravitational potential wells will bend and focus light. Dark matter concentrations act as a

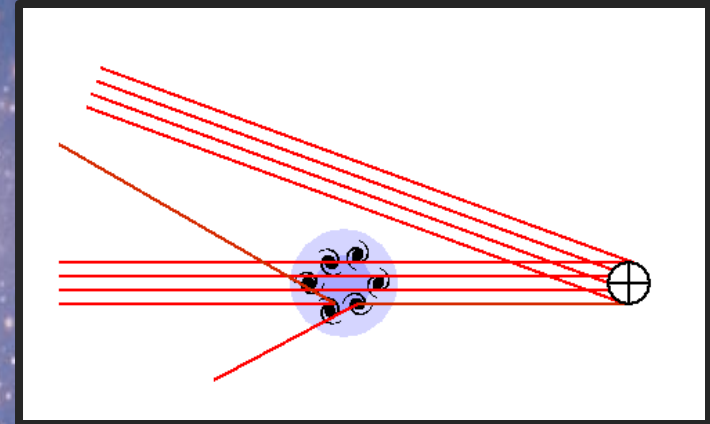
**Gravitational Lens.**



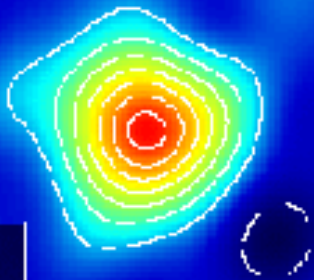
# Clusters Shadows: Sunyaev-Zeldovich Effect

Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect:

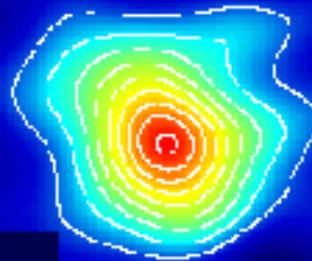
- Cluster seen as shadow against CMB
- scattering through inverse Compton of CMB photons by hot intracluster electrons



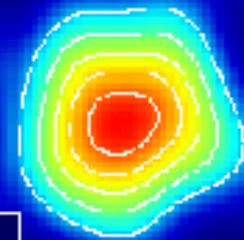
Abell 1914  $z=0.17$



CLC016+16  $z=0.54$



MS1054-C321  $z=0.88$



# Colliding Bullet Cluster

A deep-field astronomical image of the Colliding Bullet Cluster, showing a dense field of galaxies and a prominent shock front. The background is a gradient of blue and purple, with a bright star-like object on the right. Two white boxes with black borders provide labels for the colors used in the image.

Red: Shocked  
intracluster gas

Blue: Dark Matter  
(from grav. lensing)

# Colliding Bullet Cluster

- Bullet Cluster: 2 colliding clusters
- Combination of:
  - mass distribution cluster via strong & weak lensing
  - (intracluster) gas distribution via X-ray mapping
- Center of X-ray gas does not coincide with center of mass cluster, implying that the dissipative gas lags wrt. dynamically dominant matter distribution, which thus has to be of an “unknown” dark nature

# **Colliding Bullet Cluster, simulation**

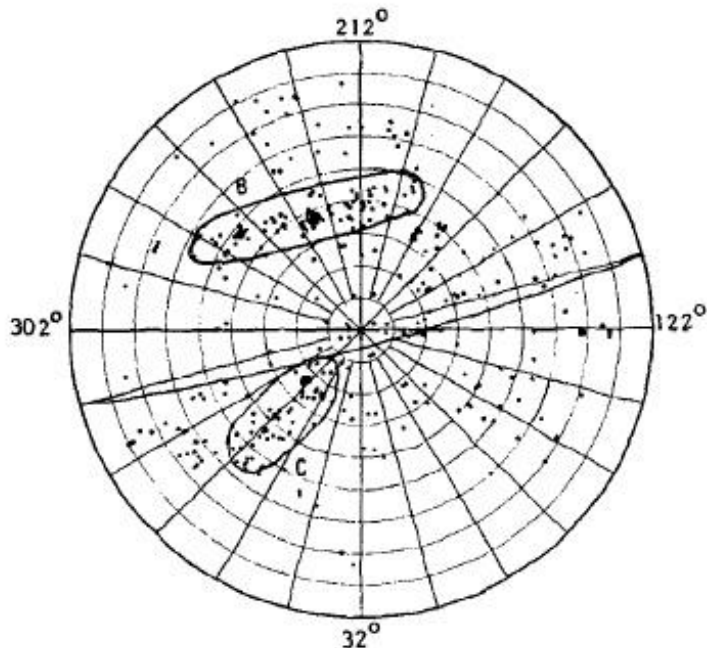
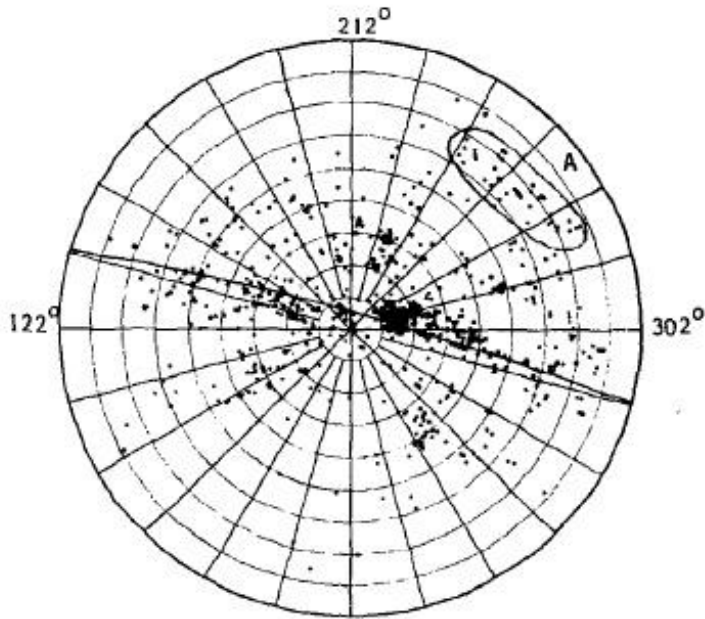
**movie**



Sky Maps:

the world all around us

# Early Views



**Shapley-Ames catalog (1932) of nearby galaxies:**

**All-sky survey of galaxies to  $m=18.3$**

$$\delta > -23^\circ$$

- **numerous concentrations:**  
groups and clusters (incl. Virgo cluster)
- **asymmetry between north and south:**  
many more galaxies on northern sky
- **conspicuous concentration along a line**  
running through richest nearby cluster,  
the Virgo cluster:
- **The Supergalactic Plane**  
(first identified by de Vaucouleurs:  
the plane of our own Local Supercluster)

# a million galaxies

**Shane-Wirtanen map:**

**On the basis of the Shane-Wirtanen counts,**

**P.J.E. Peebles produced a map of the sky distribution of 1 million galaxies on the sky:**

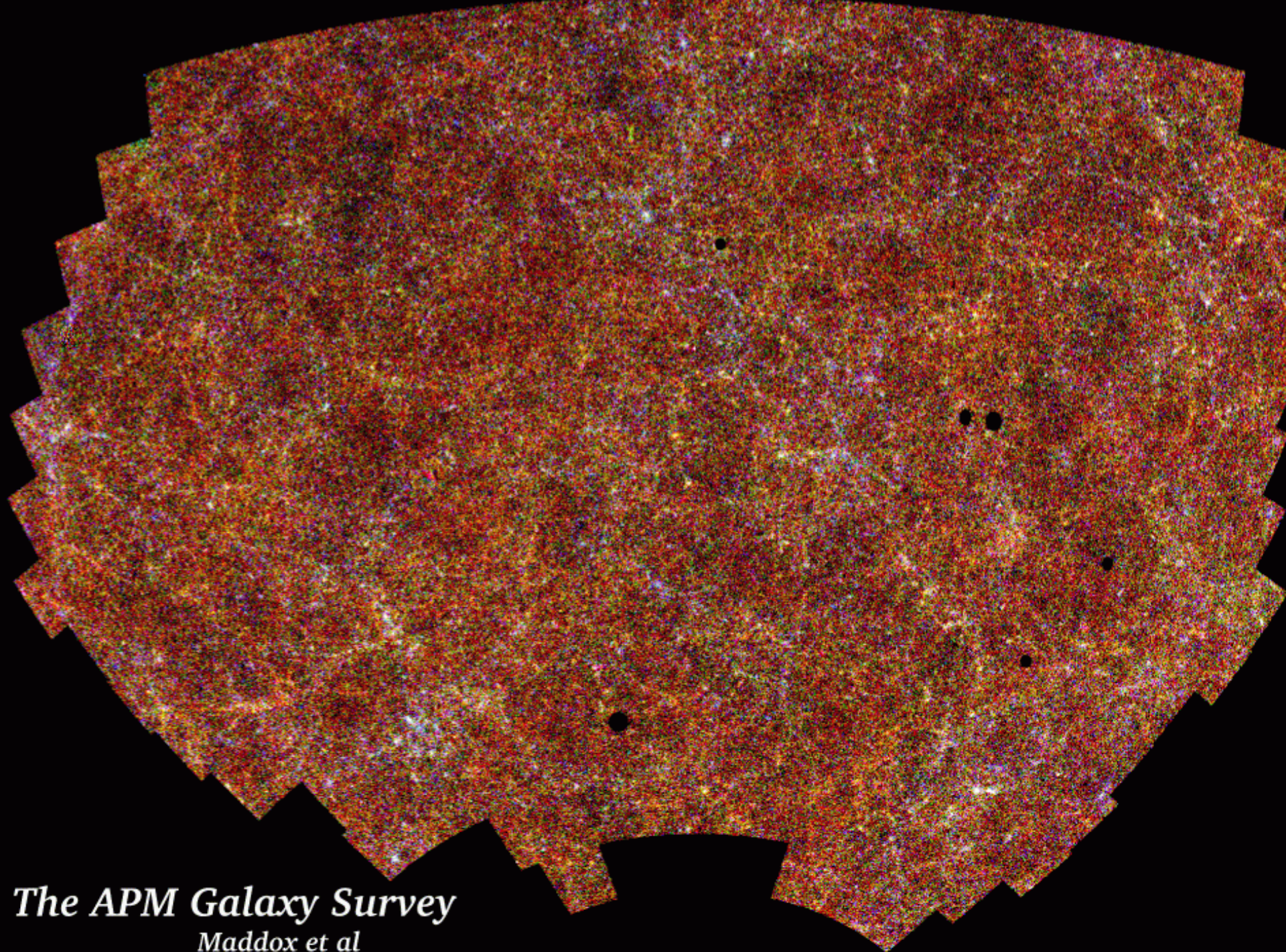
- **Clearly visible are clusters**
- **hint of filamentary LSS features, embedding clusters**

# APM survey

- Sky map:
  - $2 \times 10^6$  galaxies
  - $17 < m < 20.5$
- Uniformly defined
- Sky region: 4300 sq. deg.
  - 185 UK Schmidt plates,  $6^\circ \times 6^\circ$
- Large inhomogeneities, hints of weblike patterns, with clusters at densest regions.

courtesy:

S. Maddox, G. Efstathiou,  
W. Sutherland, D. Loveday



*The APM Galaxy Survey*  
*Maddox et al*

the 3-D Universe

Galaxy Redshift Surveys

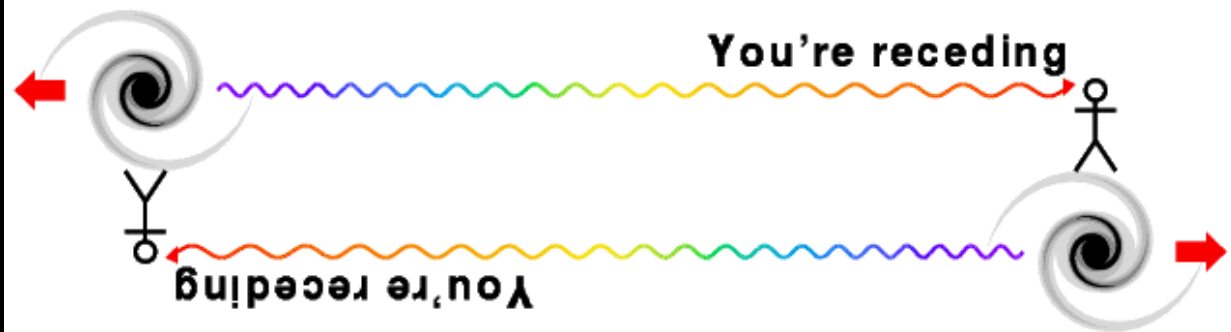
# Galaxy Redshift Surveys

- For obtaining 3D maps of the galaxy distribution:  
measure spatial location of galaxies:
  - position on the sky ( $\alpha, \delta$ )
  - distance  $r$
- Determination real distance  $r$  of galaxy very cumbersome, reasonably accurate estimates only for nearby gal's ...
- Common approximate method:  
exploit Hubble expansion of the Universe

# Galaxy Redshift Surveys

$$1 + z = \frac{1}{a} \iff \begin{cases} \lambda_{em} = \lambda_0 \\ \lambda_{obs} = \frac{a(t_{obs})}{a(t_{em})} \lambda_0 \end{cases}$$

$$z \equiv \frac{\lambda_{obs} - \lambda_{em}}{\lambda_{em}}$$





# Galaxy Redshift Surveys

- Hubble Expansion:

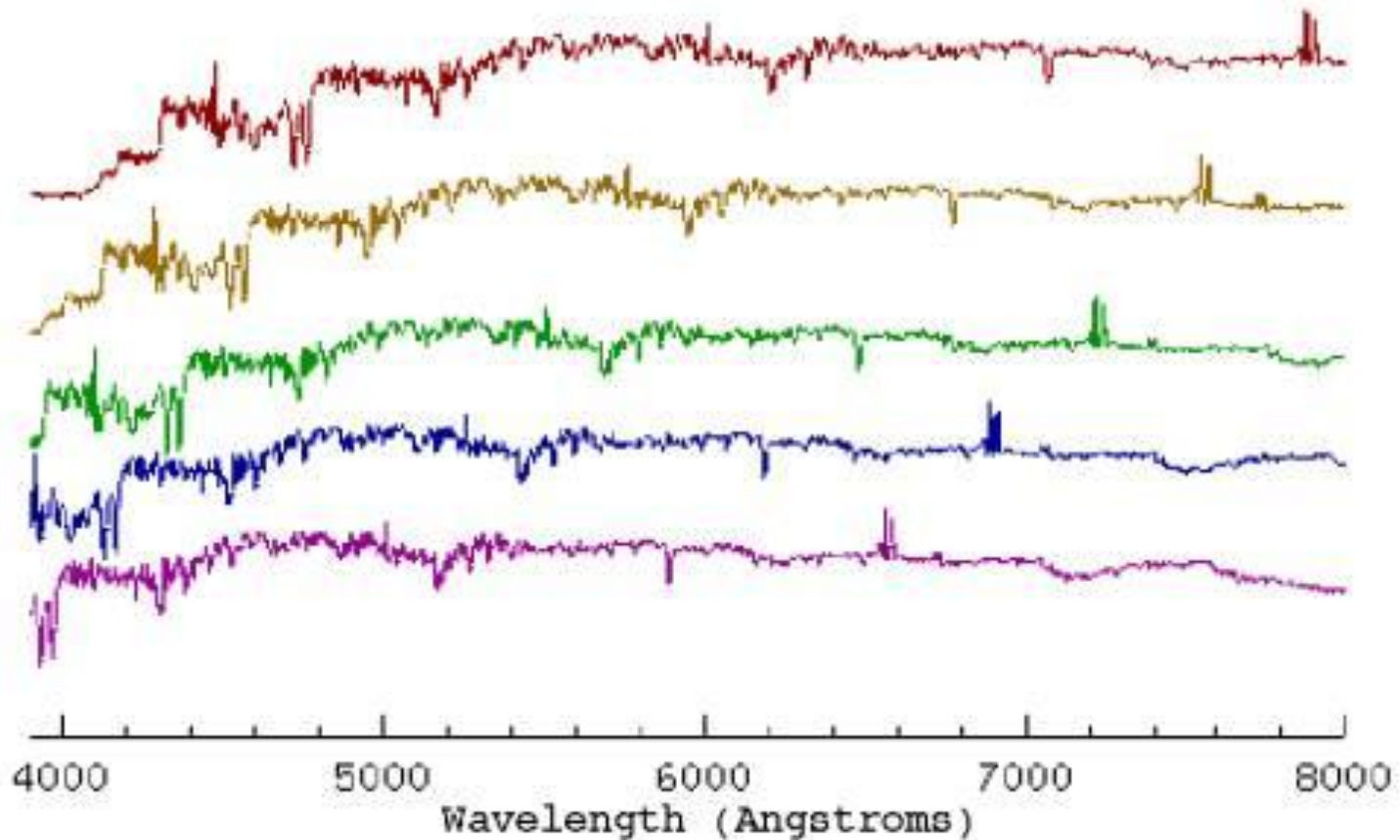
$$cz = Hr \quad (z \ll 1)$$

galaxy at distance  $r$   
has redshift  $z$   
( $c$ : vel. light;  $H$ : Hubble constant)

- Redshift of galaxies can be much more easily determined than distance:

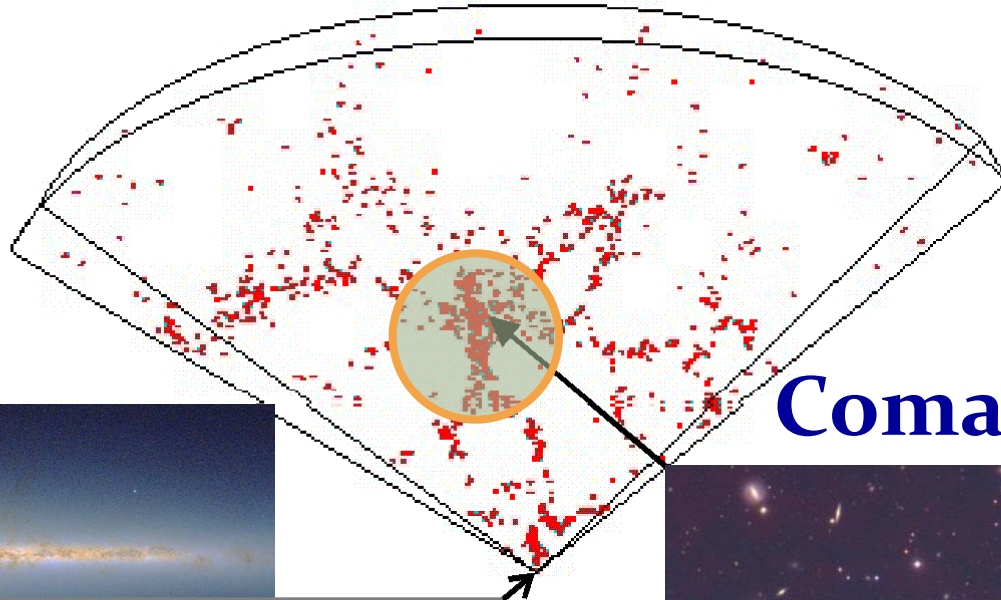
**Galaxy Spectrum**

# Galaxy Redshift Surveys



Examples of redshifted galaxy spectra

# Mapping the Universe



Coma Cluster



Our own Galaxy



de Lapparent, Geller, and Huchra  
(1986), ApJ, 302, L1

# Redshift Distortions

- In reality, galaxies do not exactly follow the Hubble flow:

In addition to the cosmological flow, there are locally induced velocity components in a galaxy's motion:

$$cz = Hr + v_{pec}$$

the galaxy's peculiar velocity  $v_{pec}$

- As a result, maps on the basis of galaxy  $z$  do not reflect the galaxies' true spatial distribution

# Redshift Distortions

Origin of peculiar velocities:

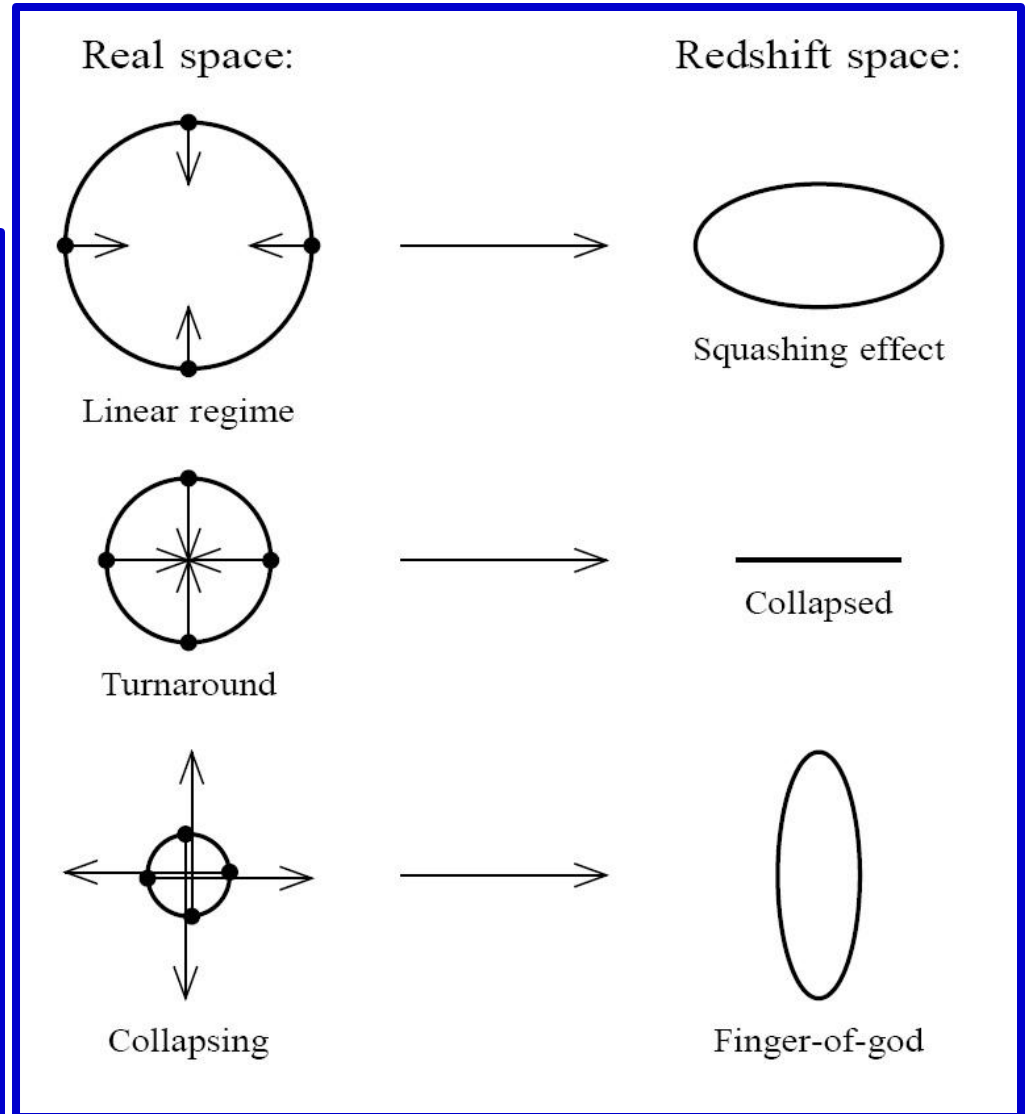
three regimes

- very high-density virialized cluster (core) regions:  
“thermal” motion in cluster,  
up to  $> 1000$  km/s

“Fingers of God”

- collapsing overdensity (forming cluster):  
inflow/infall velocity

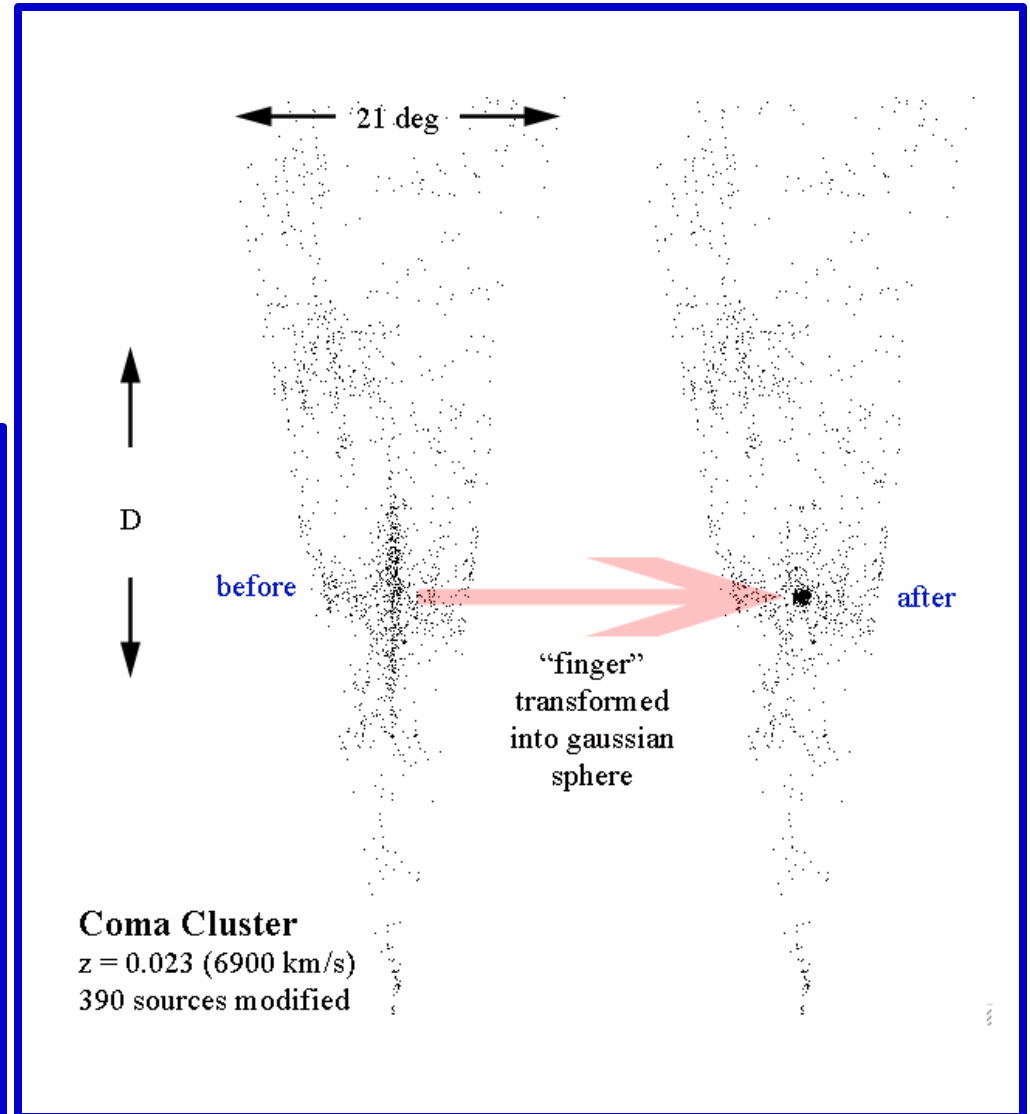
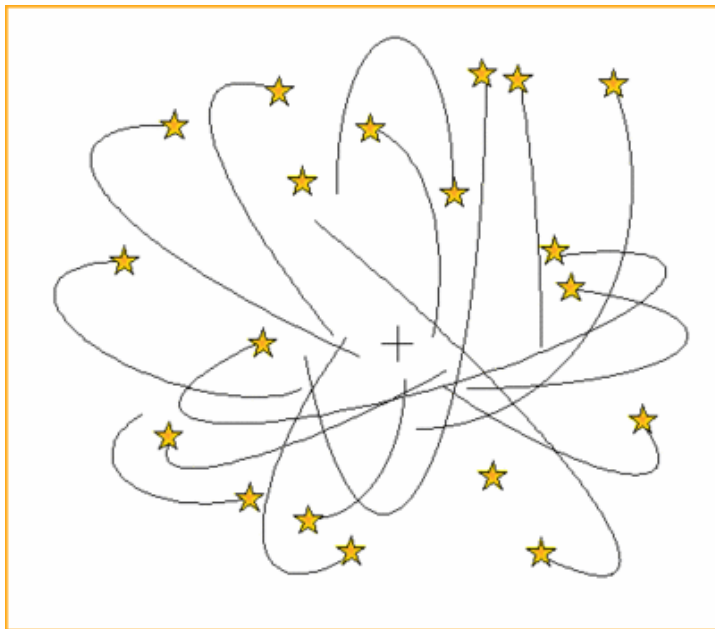
- Large scales:  
(linear, quasi-linear) cosmic flow,  
manifestation of structure growth



# Fingers of God

$$cz = Hr_{clust} + \frac{\vec{v}_{gal} \cdot \vec{r}_{gal}}{r_{gal}}$$

Galaxy velocity  
component along  
line of sight



# Fingers of God

## Clusters of galaxies:

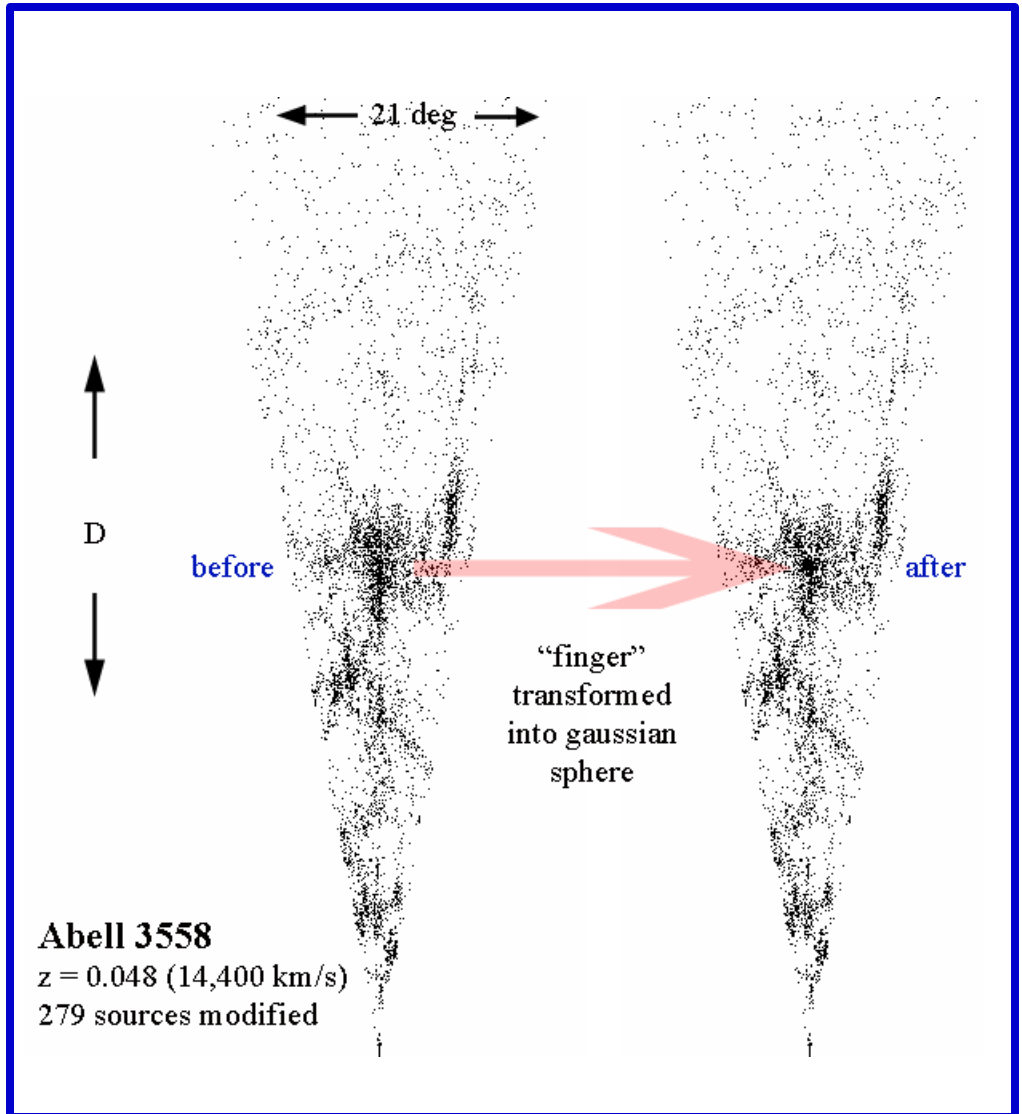
Mass:  $10^{14}$ - $10^{15} M_{\odot}$   
Radius:  $\sim 1.5$  Mpc  
Overdensity  $\Delta \sim 1000$

Thermal velocity:  $\sim 1000$  km/s

Internal cluster galaxy velocities  
visible in projection along line of sight



“Finger of God”



# Magnitude vs. Volume

Limited

Survey



# Magnitude vs. Volume limited Surveys

- Two different sampling approaches for analysis spatial structure from galaxy redshift catalogue:

- Volume-limited surveys:

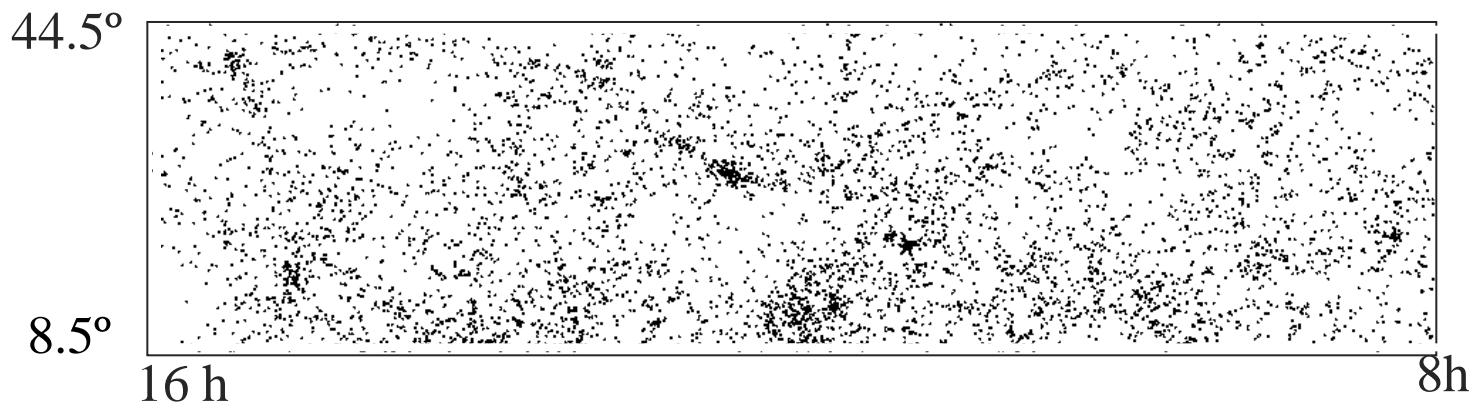
- uniform spatial coverage, including all galaxies within volume to depth  $d_s$
- all galaxies with an absolute brightness  $>$  survey limit  $M_s$

$$M_s = m_{\text{lim}} - 5 \log d_s - 25 - k(z)$$

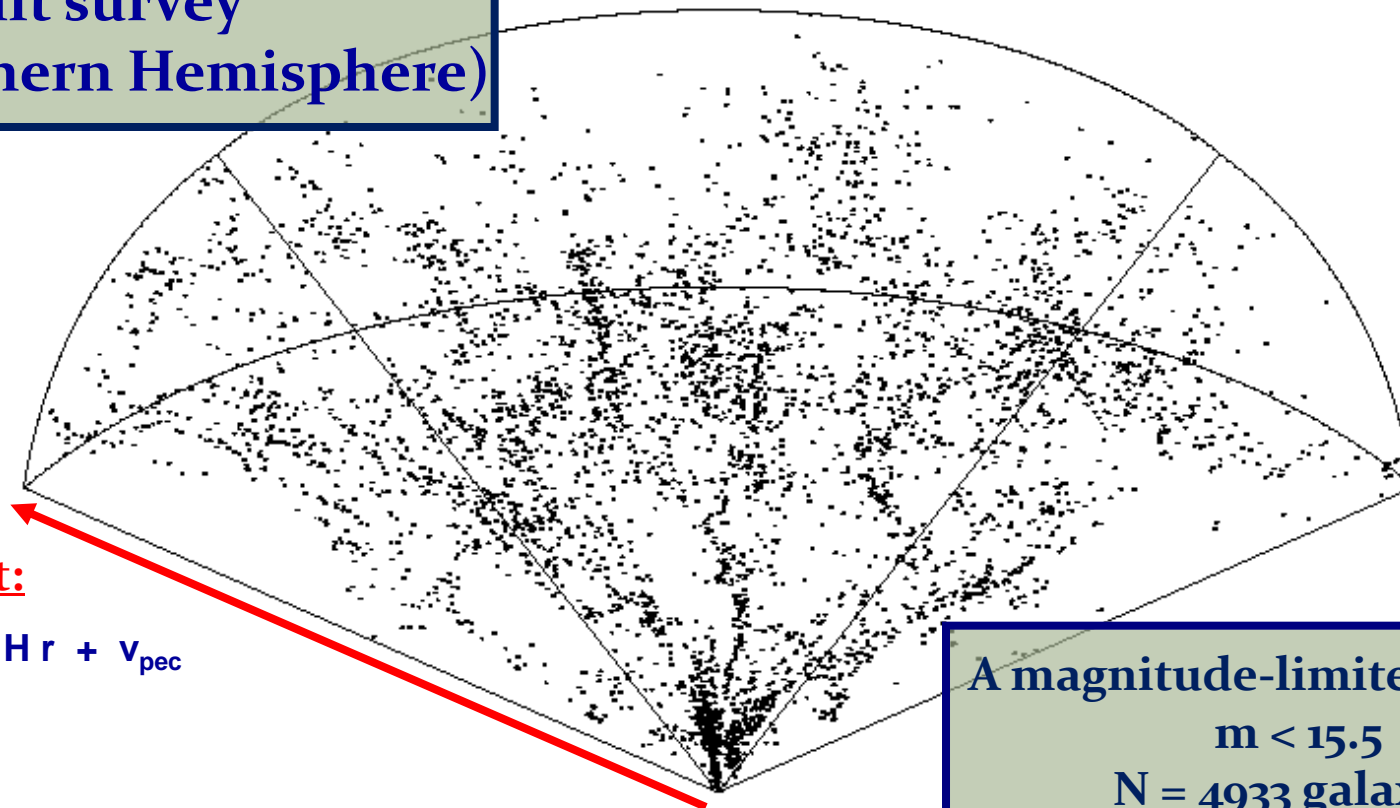
- diminishing sampling density & spatial resolution as one wishes to include larger volume (excluding all galaxies  $M > M_s$ )

- Magnitude-limited survey

- include all galaxies with apparent magnitude brighter than  $m_s$
- assures optimal use of spatial galaxy catalogue
- at the price of a non-uniform spatial coverage & diminishing resolution towards higher depths



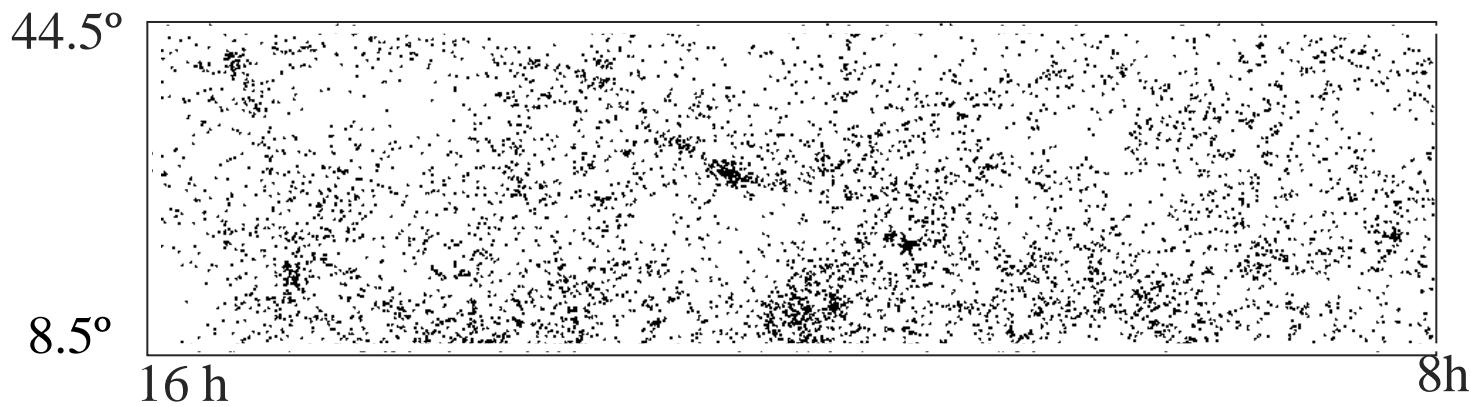
**The CfA2  
redshift survey  
(Northern Hemisphere)**



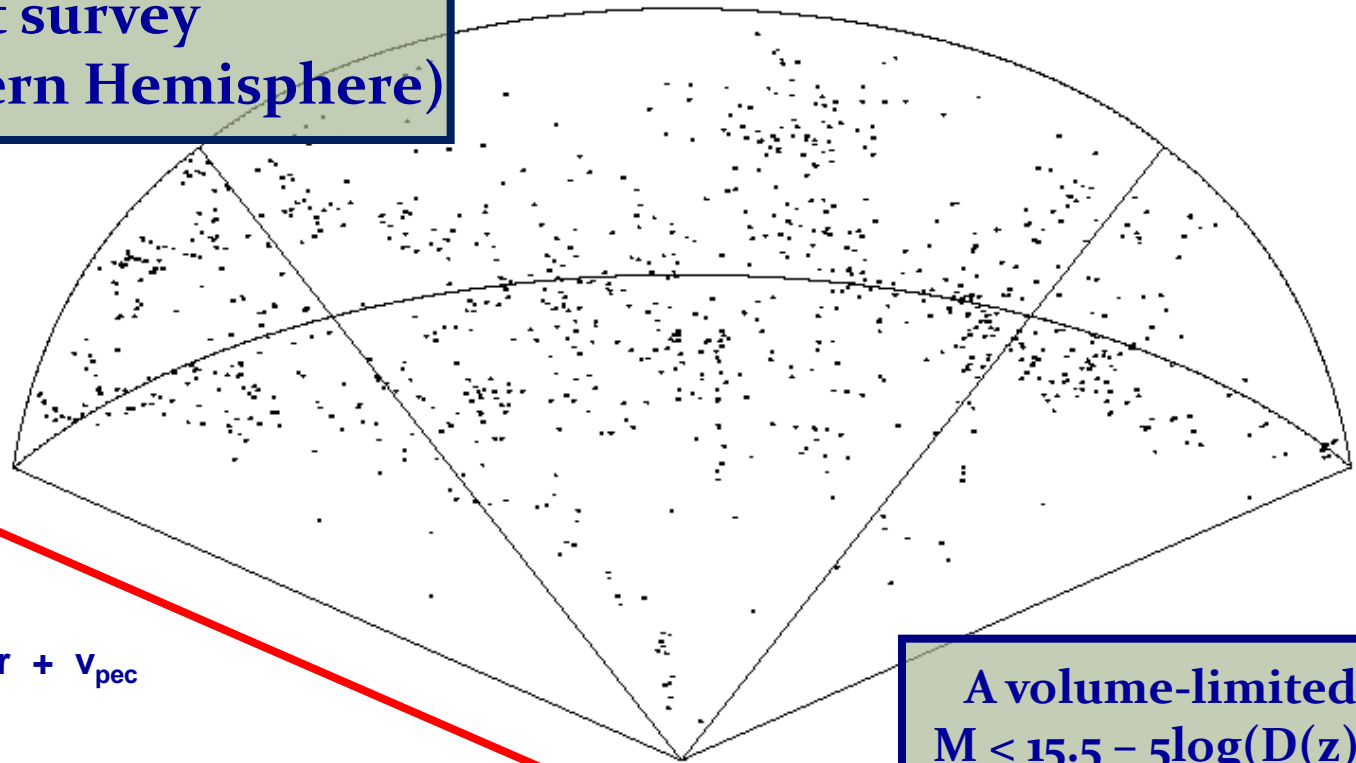
**Redshift:**

$$v = cz \sim Hr + v_{\text{pec}}$$

**A magnitude-limited sample,  
 $m < 15.5$   
 $N = 4933$  galaxies**



**The CfA2  
redshift survey  
(Northern Hemisphere)**



101 Mpc/h

**Redshift:**

$$v = cz \sim Hr + v_{pec}$$

**A volume-limited sample,  
 $M < 15.5 - 5 \log(D(z)) - 25 - Kz$   
 $N = 905$  galaxies**

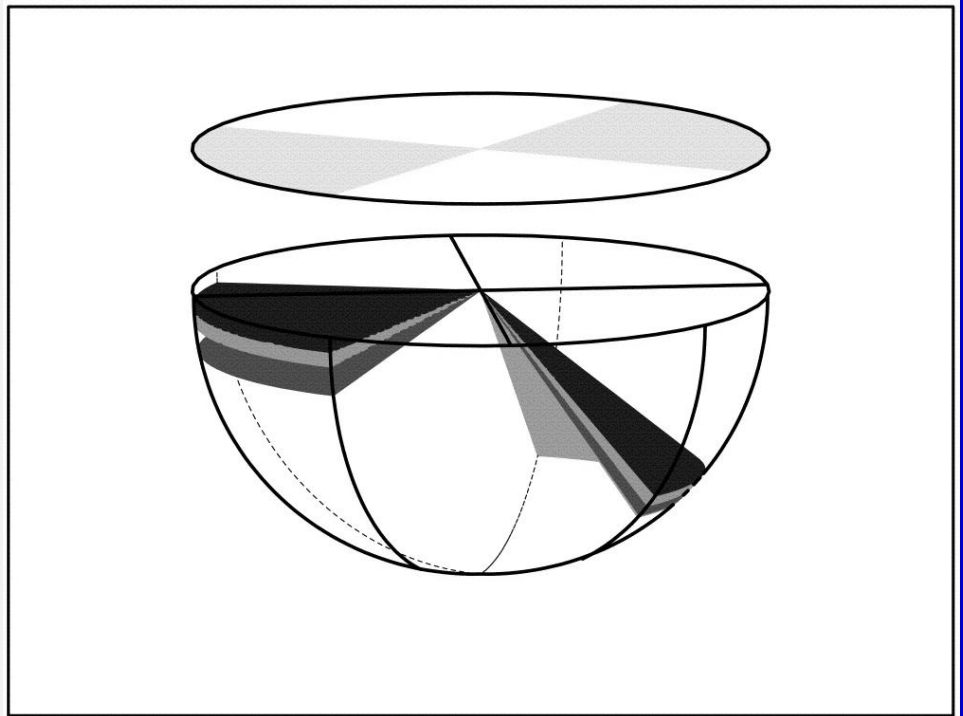
Figure courtesy: V. Martínez

# Survey Geometry

# Survey Geometry

## Practical Limitations

- Limited telescope time
- Limited detector sensitivity
- How to optimally sample structure in Universe ?
- Devise survey geometry that reveals optimal amount of Information on question at hand:
  - Patterns galaxy distribution
  - Distribution high-density peaks
  - Density Field



Sky Location  
2-D LCRS survey slices

# Survey Geometry

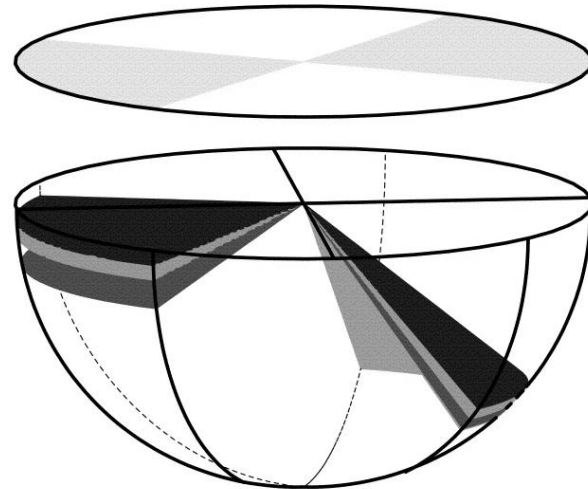
## Survey Geometry:

### • Slice Surveys:

- thin stripe on sky
- very sensitive to reveal patterns galaxy distribution

### • Pencil-beam surveys

- very narrow region on sky
- very deep
- strategy to probe largest structures
- structure at high  $z$  (early times)



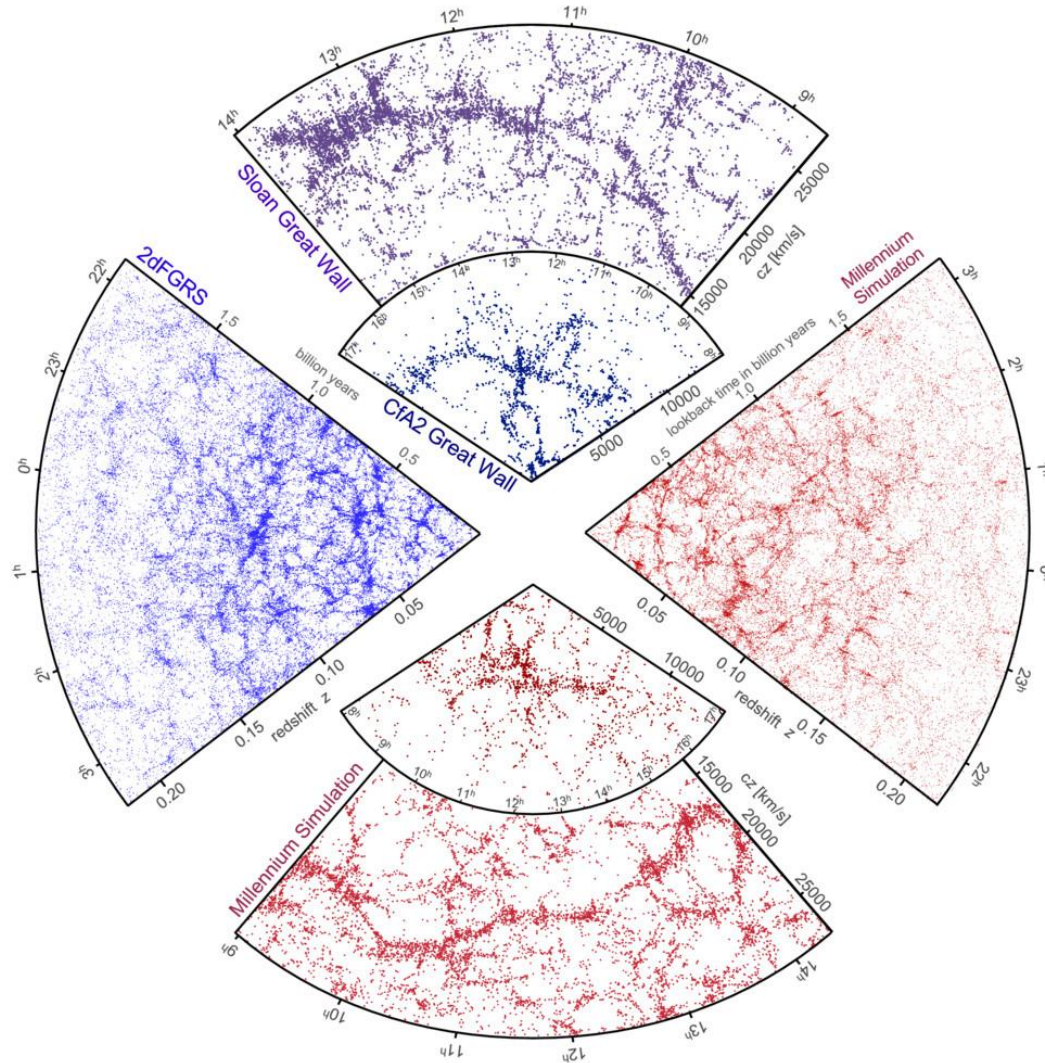
Sky Location

2-D LCRS survey slices

# Survey Geometry

Examples of  
Slice Redshift Surveys:

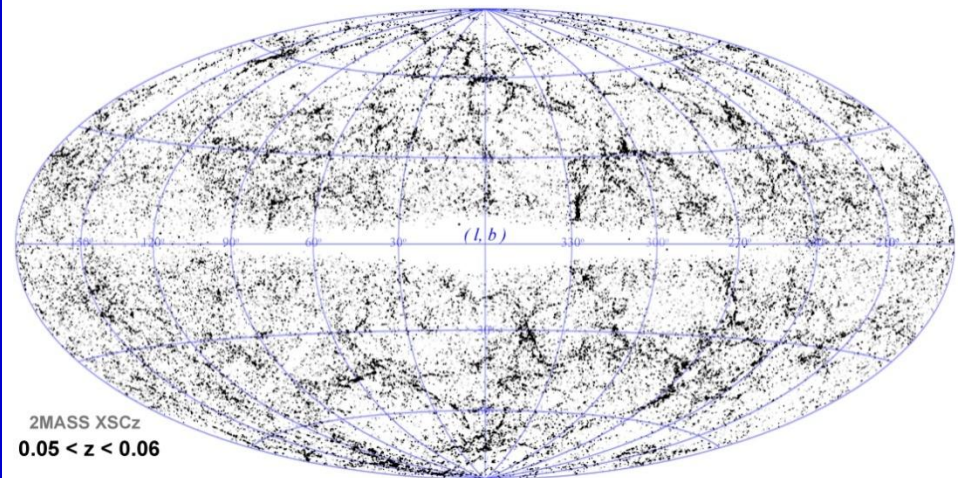
From  
CfA2 -2dFGRS - SDSS



# Survey Geometry

## Survey Geometry:

- **Sparse Sample:**
  - sampling density field
  - on scales  $>$  intergalaxy distance
- **Full-sky surveys**
  - necessary to probe dynamics cosmic regions



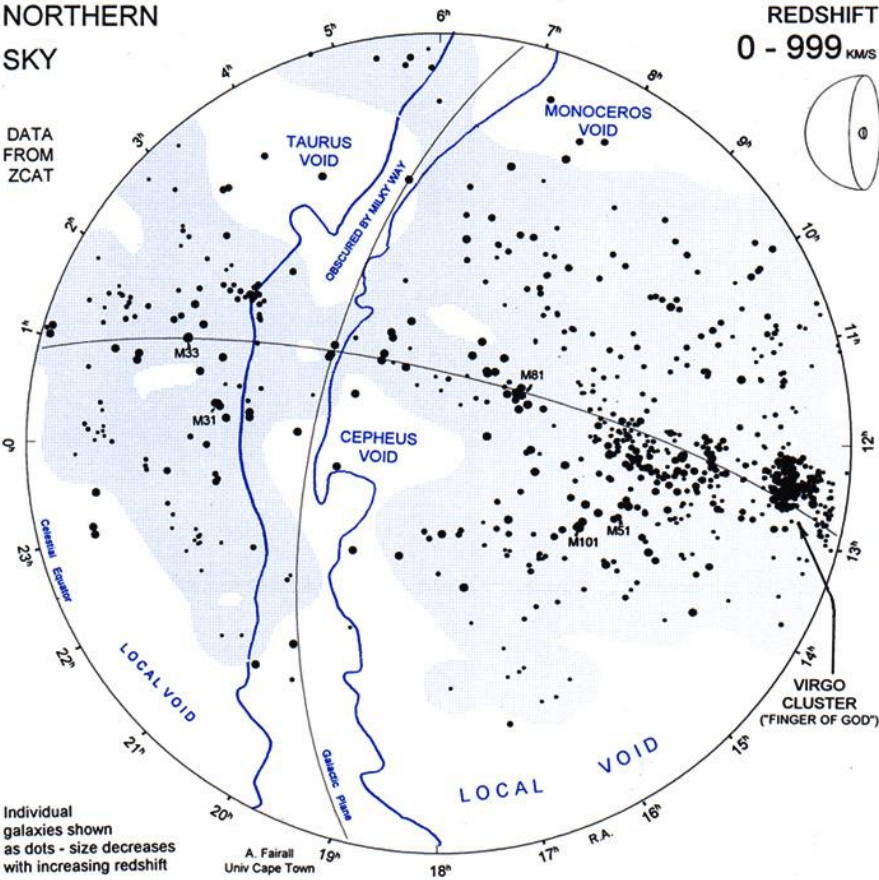


# Maps of the Local Universe

# Local Views

NORTHERN SKY

DATA FROM ZCAT



REDSHIFT  
0 - 999 KM/S

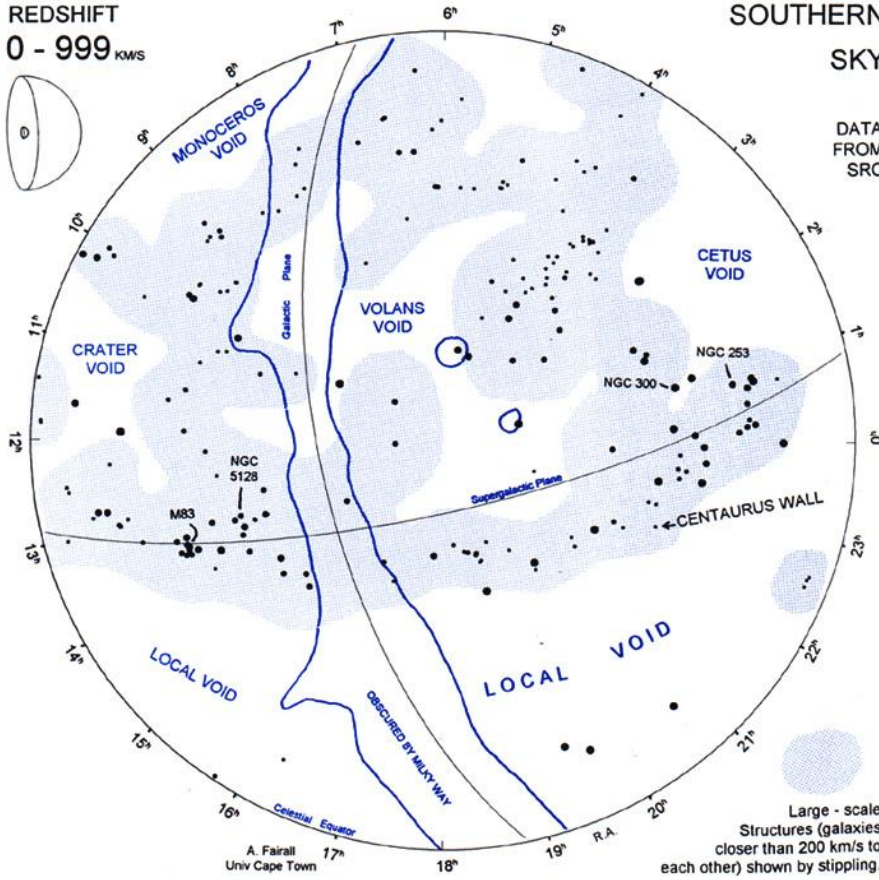


REDSHIFT  
0 - 999 KM/S



SOUTHERN SKY

DATA FROM SRC



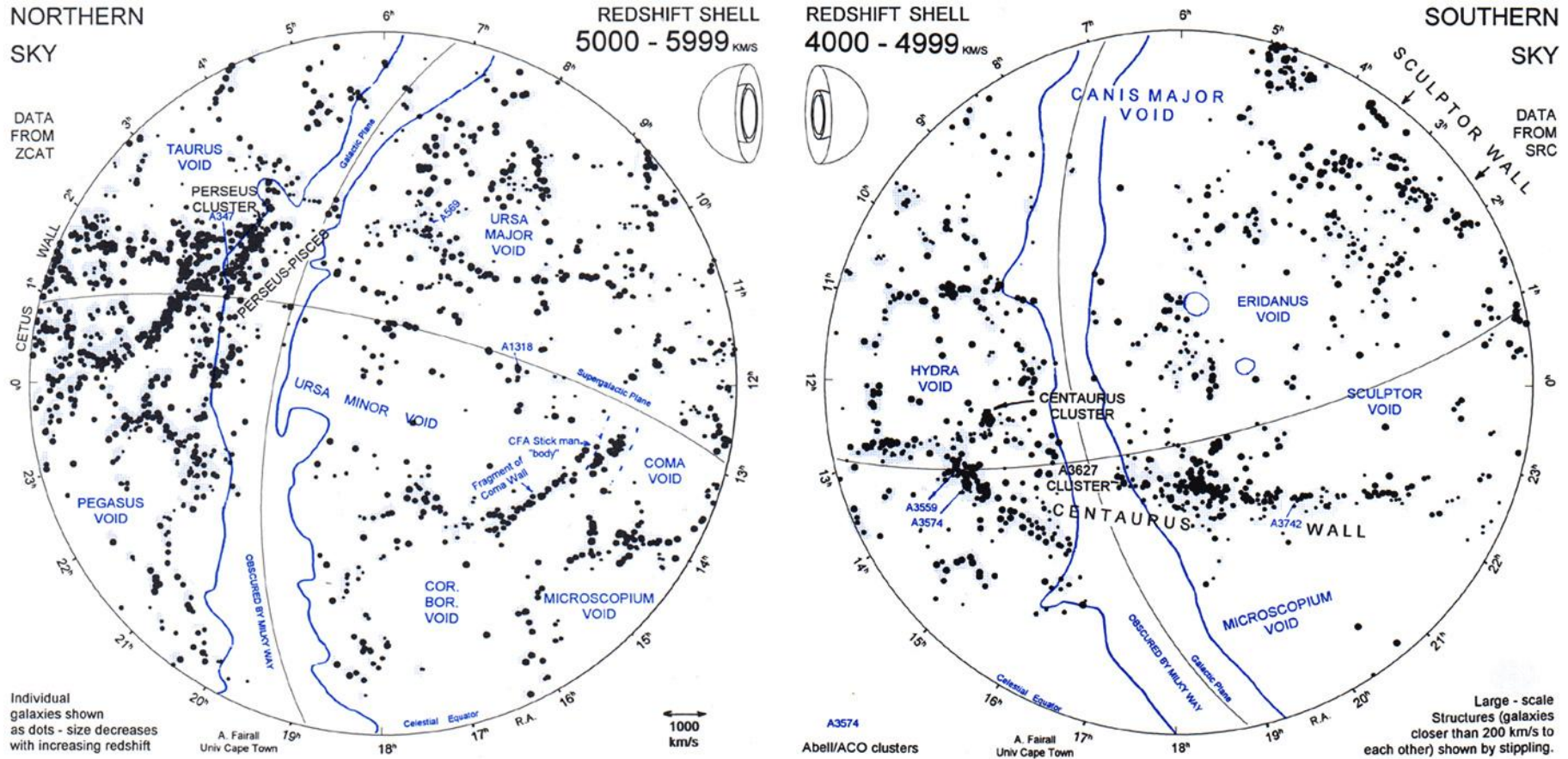
Individual galaxies shown as dots - size decreases with increasing redshift

A. Fairall  
Univ Cape Town

Large - scale Structures (galaxies closer than 200 km/s to each other) shown by stippling.

Tony Fairall's nearby LSS map: Local Supercluster clearly visible at  $v < 999$  km/s

# Local Views: Moving into the Web



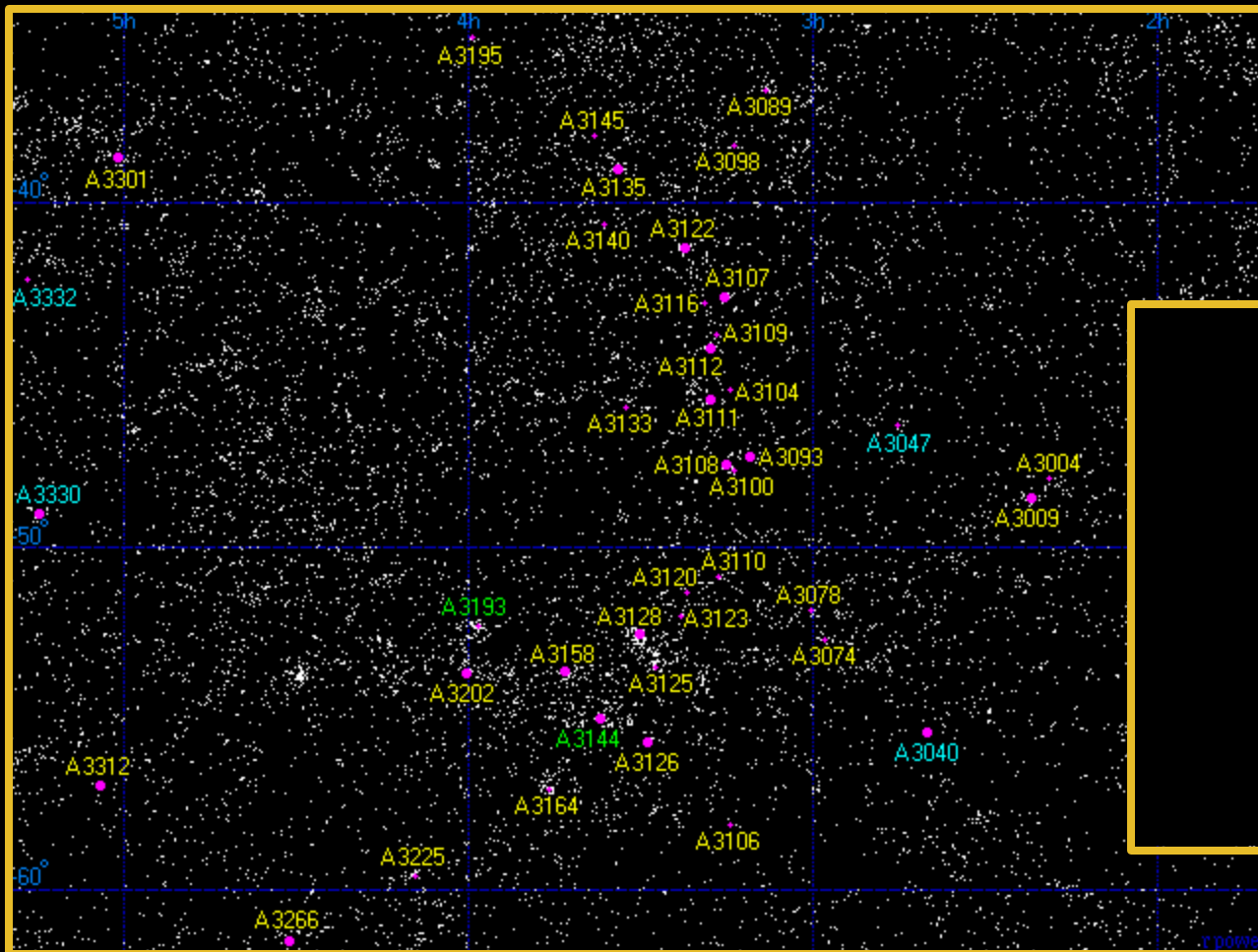
Tony Fairall's nearby LSS map:

at  $cz=5000-5999$  km/s clear views of local cosmic web

# Superclusters

# Superclusters

Large groups of clusters & galaxies (1-dozens)

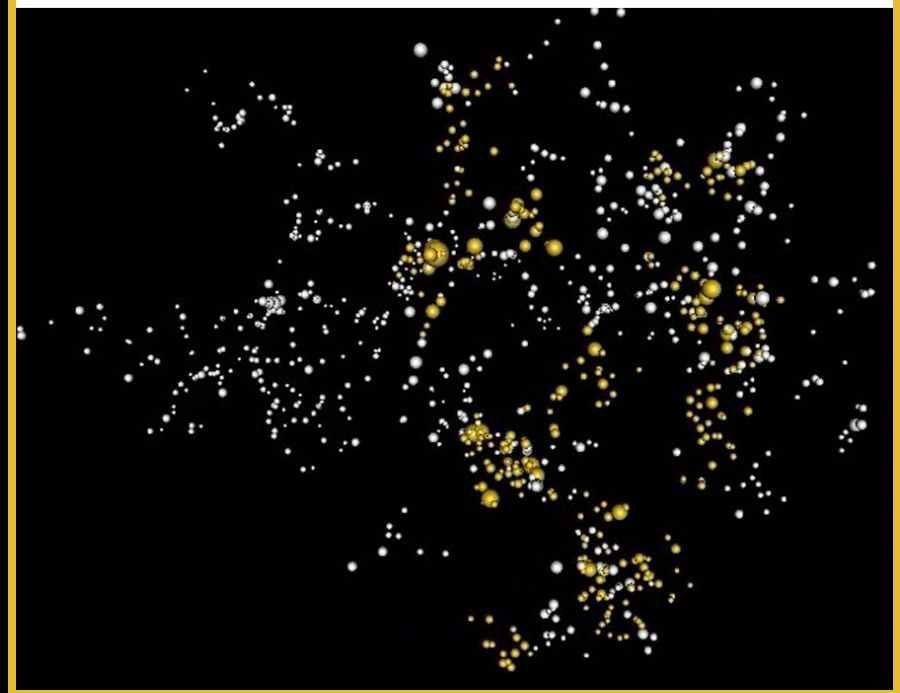
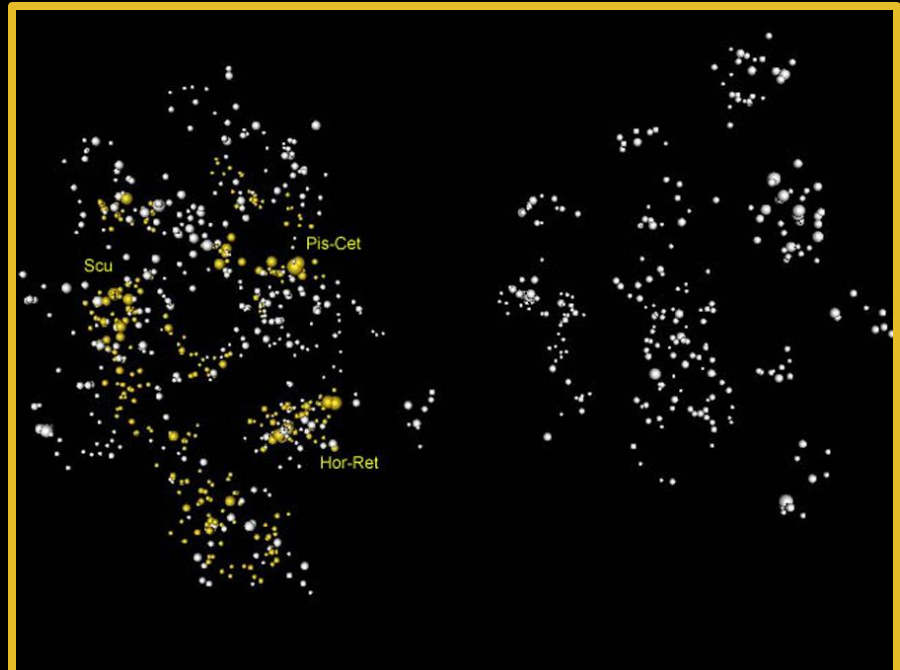
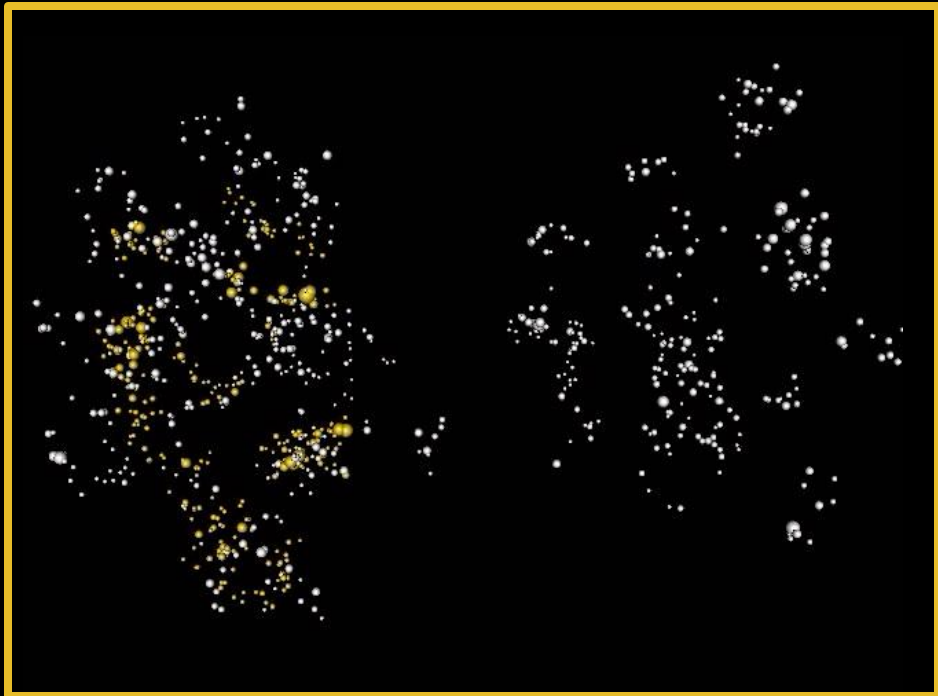


$M \sim 10^{15} - 10^{16} M_{\odot}$   
 $L \sim \text{few} - 100 \text{ Mpc}$   
irregular shaped  
mild overdensity  $\Delta \sim \text{few}$

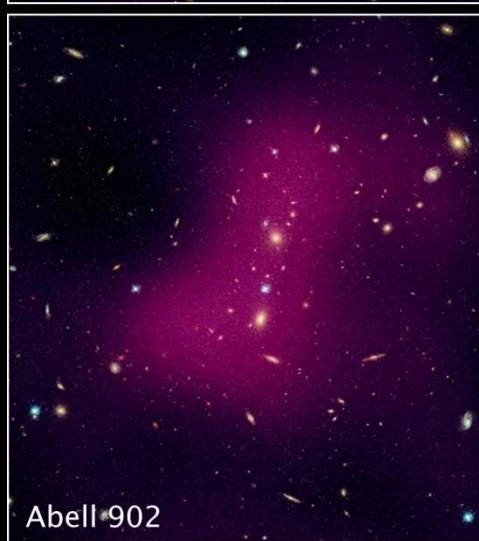
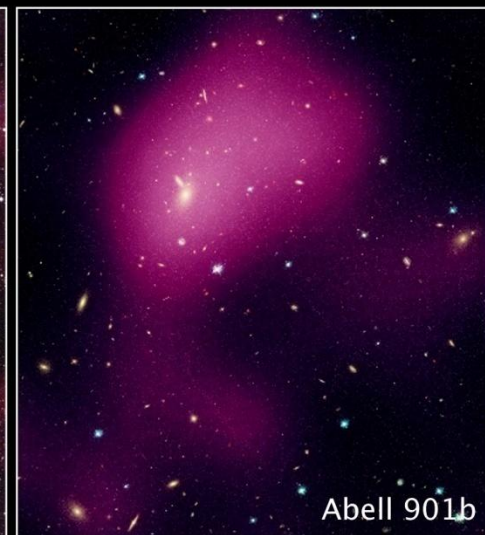
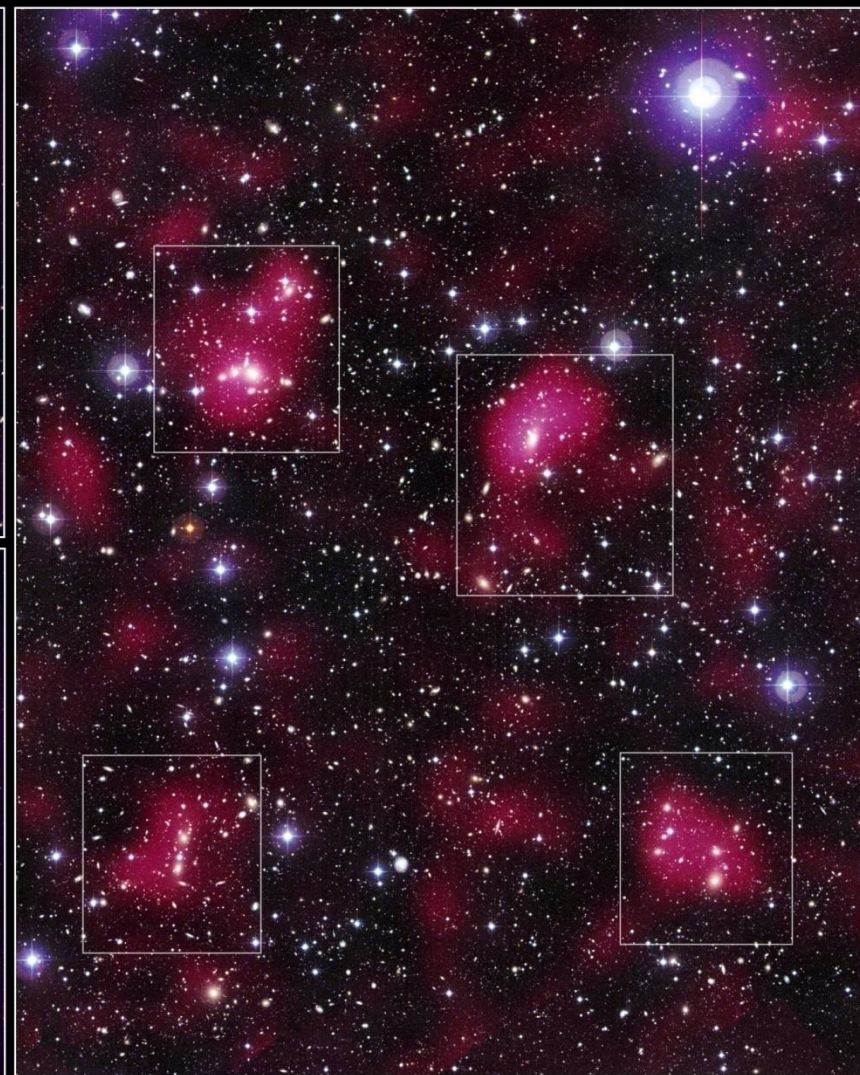


# Superclusters:

Einasto et al. sample  
X-ray clusters (yellow) and  
Abell clusters (white)



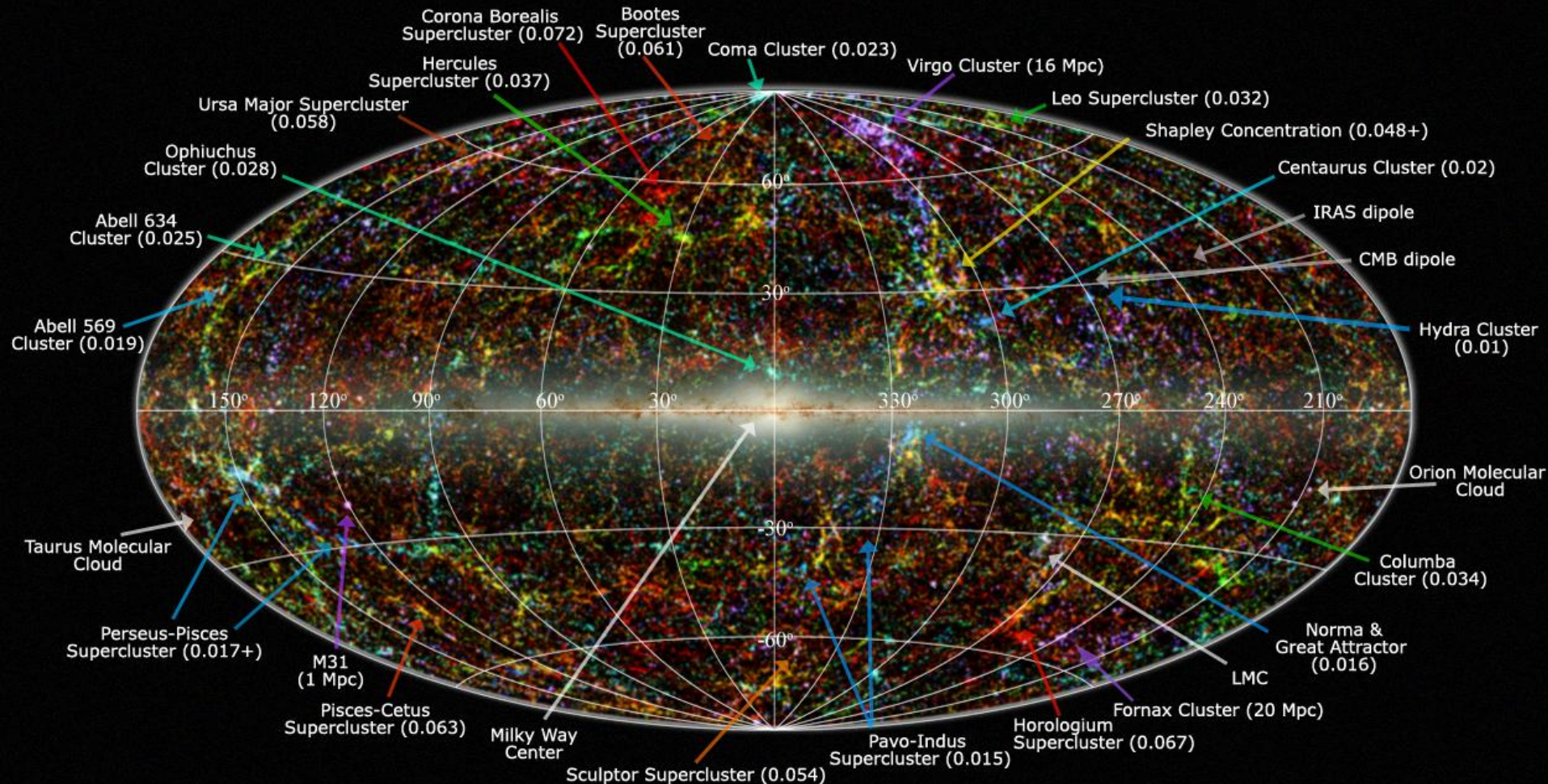
superclusters are not isolated single objects,  
but integral components in the pervasive  
Cosmic Web



**Abell 901/902 Supercluster Dark Matter Map ■ STAGES**  
*Hubble Space Telescope ■ ACS/WFC*

# Cosmic Web

## Large Scale Structure in the Local Universe



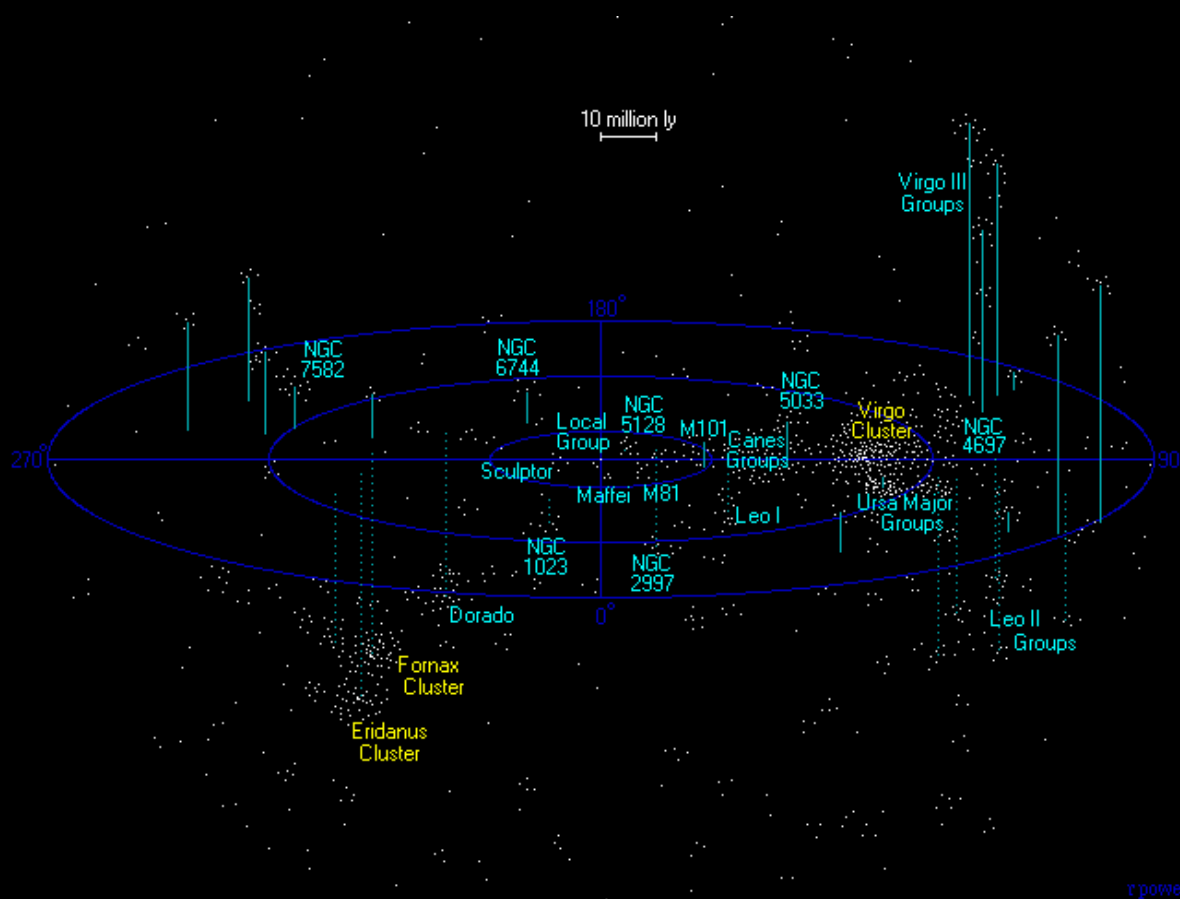
**Legend:** image shows 2MASS galaxies color coded by redshift (Jarrett 2004); familiar galaxy clusters/superclusters are labeled (numbers in parenthesis represent redshift).  
Graphic created by T. Jarrett (IPAC/Caltech)



# Local Supercluster

our cosmic province

# Local Supercluster



Our Local Group finds itself located at the outer region of a large supercluster region,

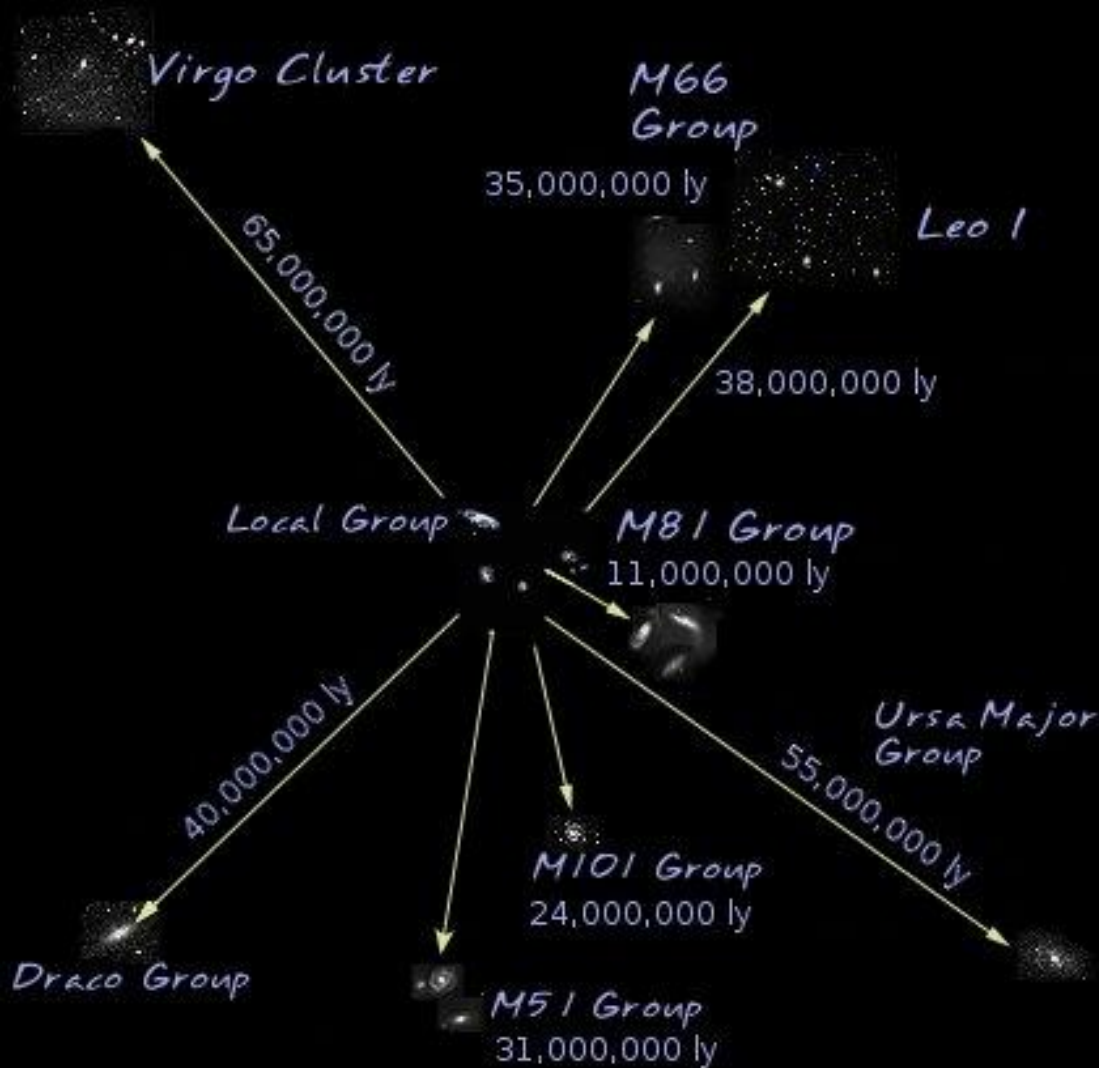
- the “Local Supercluster”,
- centered on one rich cluster, the Virgo cluster
- ~ 33 Mpc diameter

Wrt. other superclusters:

- poor supercluster
- rather small size

r powell

# Local Supercluster



## Local Supercluster:

contains:

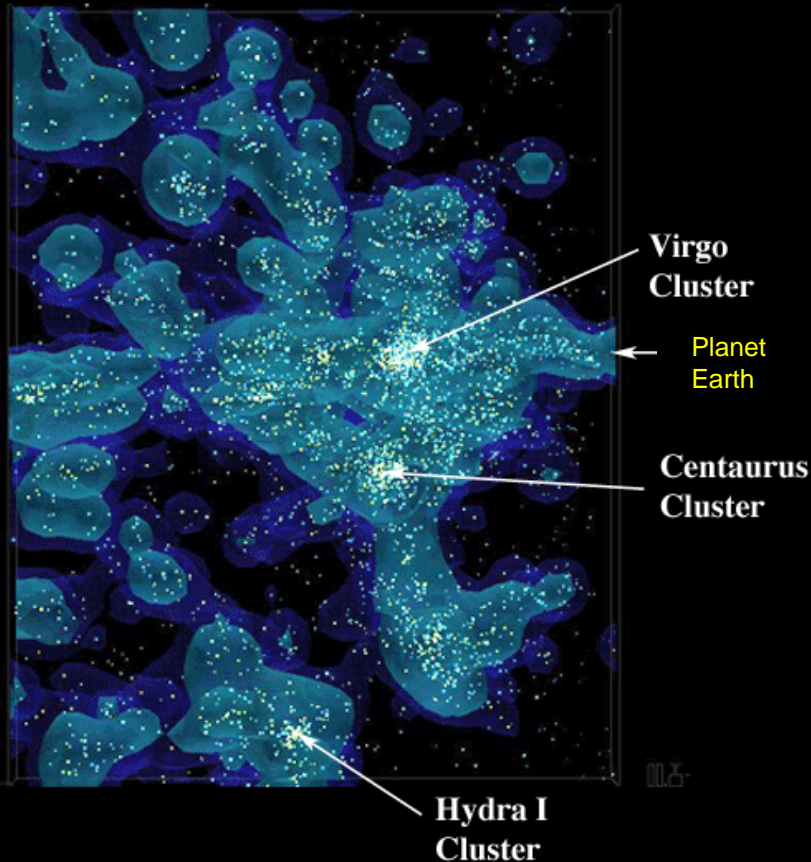
- ~ 100 galaxy groups
- 1 rich cluster - Virgo cluster

structure:

- Central Virgo cluster
- groups & galaxies connected via filamentary extensions
- Local Group:
- outskirts Local Supercluster, on filament extending from Fornax cluster - Virgo cluster

# Local Supercluster

## End-on View of the Local Supercluster:



150 million light  
years wide x 190  
million light years tall

Courtesy: B. Tully

## Structure Local Supercluster:

### 2 components:

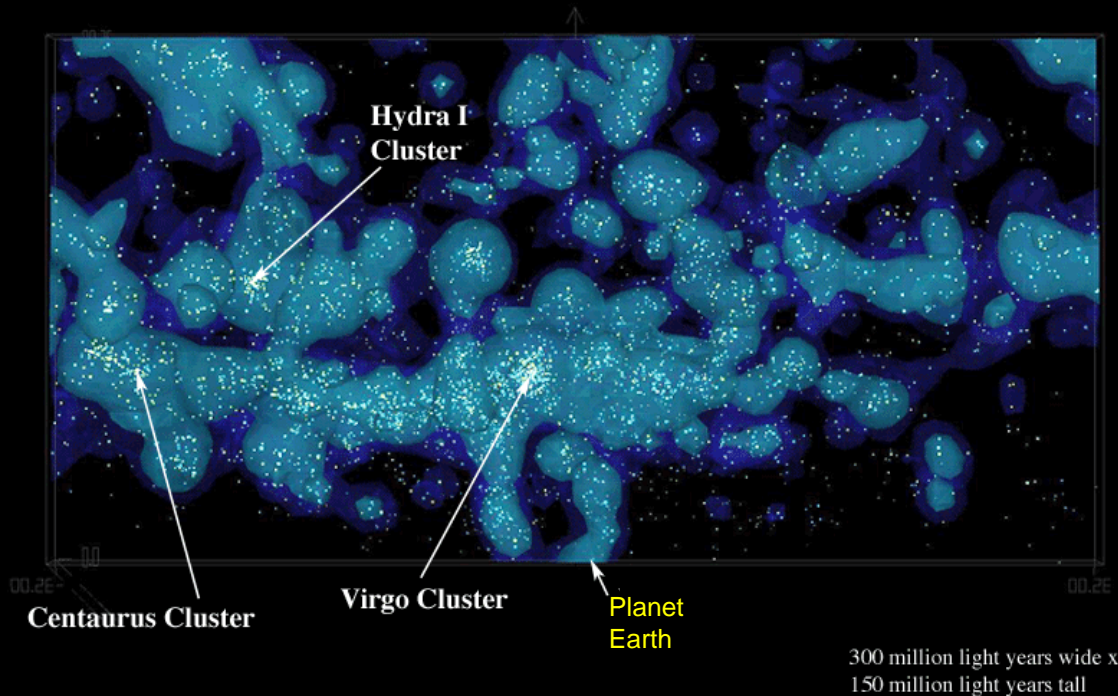
- flattened disk  $2/3^{\text{rd}}$  galaxies
- spherical "halo"  $1/3^{\text{rd}}$  galaxies

### Disk:

- thin ( $\sim 1$  Mpc) disk,  
1:6 - 1:9 flattened

# Local Supercluster

## Polar View of Local Supercluster:



## Local Supercluster:

Mass (DM):  $M \sim 1 \times 10^{15} M_{\odot}$

Luminosity:  $L \sim 3 \times 10^{12} L_{\odot}$

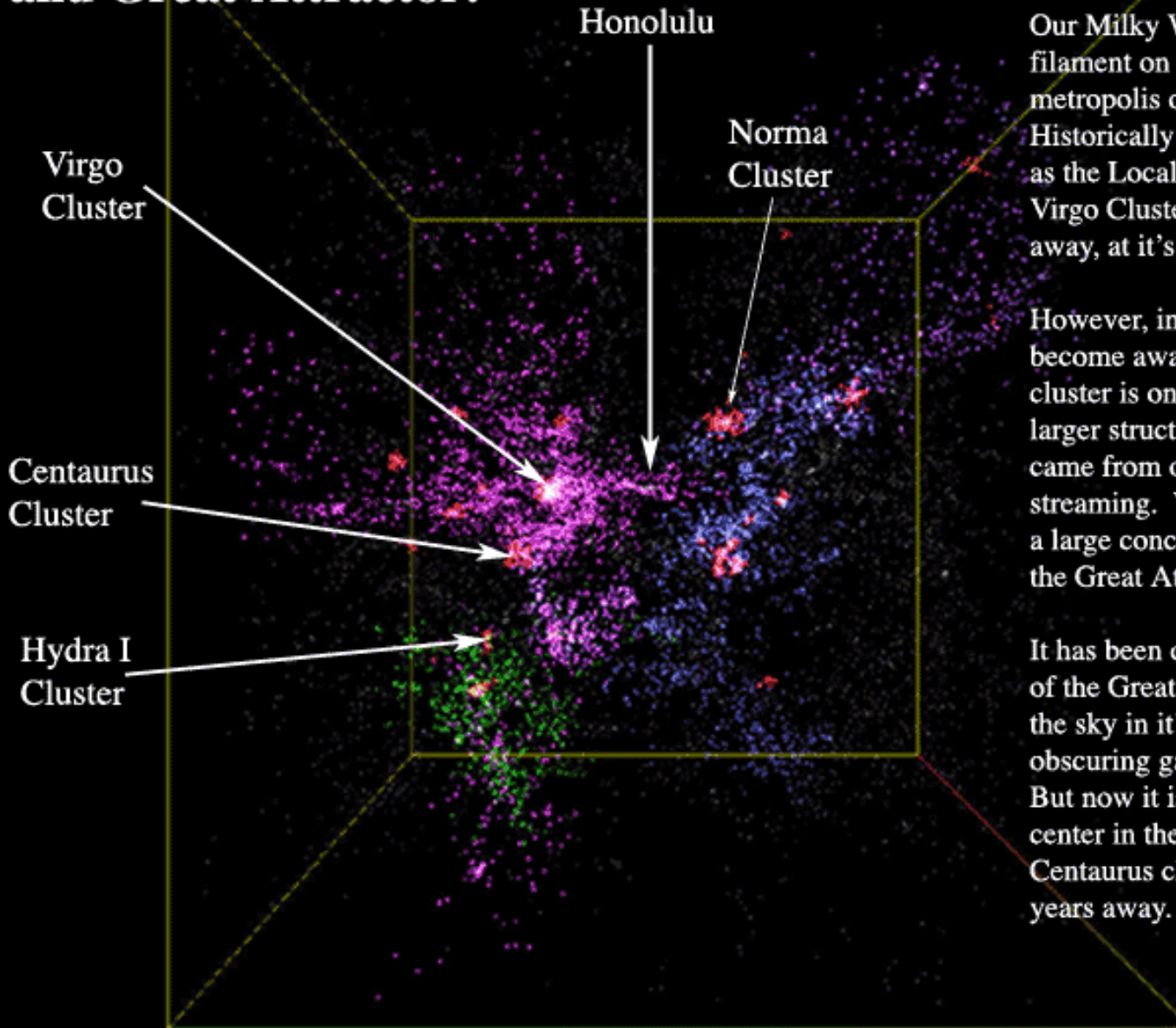
M/L  $\sim 300$

**Local Supercluster  
Rotating Isodensity Contours,  
movie, Brent Tully**

Cosmography

Local Universe

# The Local Supercluster and Great Attractor:



Our Milky Way Galaxy lies in a minor filament on the outskirts of a large metropolis of many thousand galaxies. Historically this region became known as the Local Supercluster with the Virgo Cluster, 50 million light years away, at it's heart.

However, in recent years we have become aware that the Local Supercluster is only part of a considerably larger structure. An early indication came from observations of galaxy streaming. We are being pulled toward a large concentration of mass now called the Great Attractor.

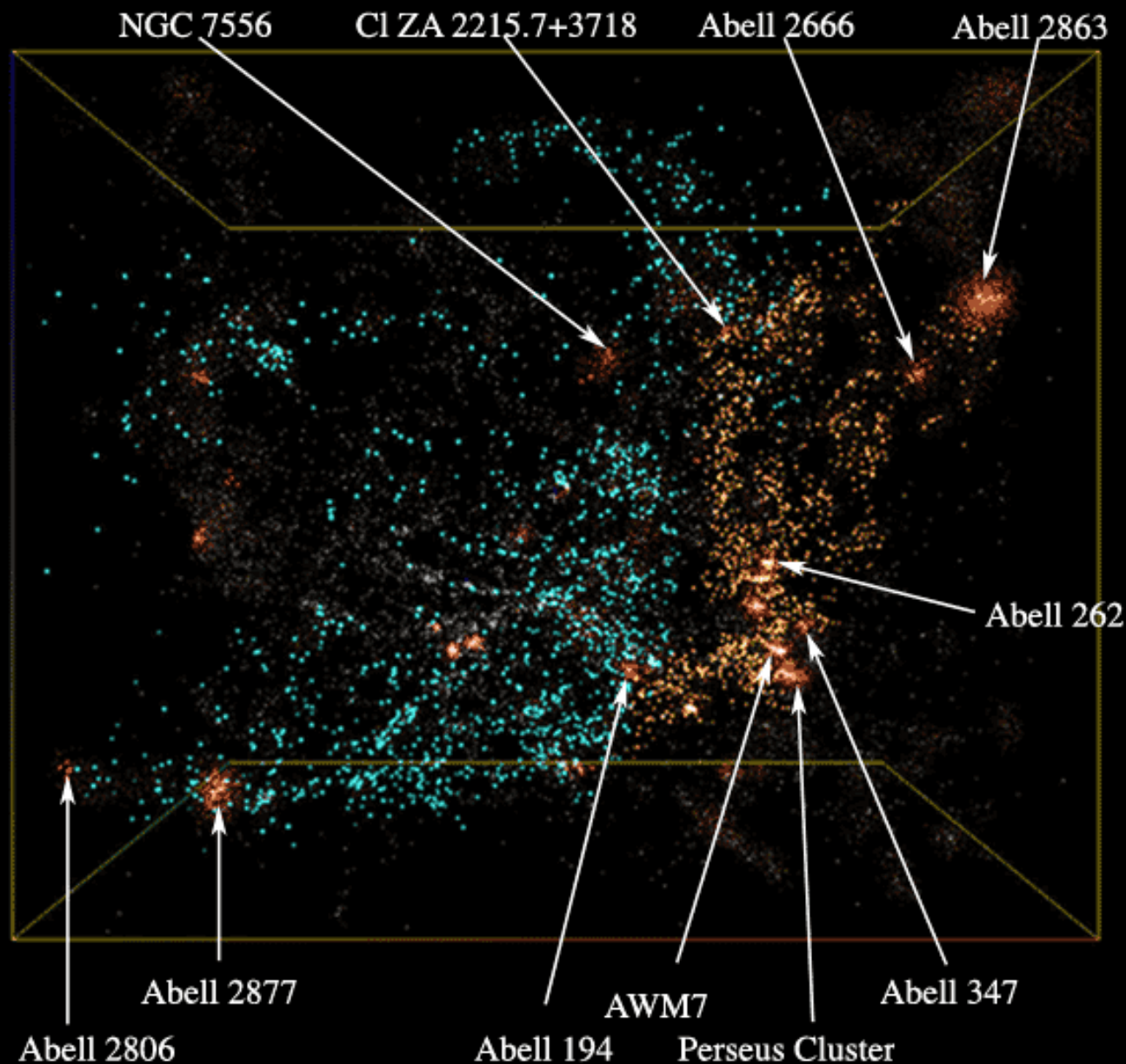
It has been difficult to survey the region of the Great Attractor because much of the sky in it's direction is hidden by obscuring gas clouds in the Milky Way. But now it is being mapped, with it's center in the vicinity of the Norma and Centaurus clusters, 200 million light years away.



## Perseus-Pisces Arteries and the Southern Wall:

The third large concentration of galaxies within 300 million light years lies with its densest core in the Perseus Cluster. In this case, the structure (shown in orange), resembles long twisted filaments.

One filament connects to a structure of a rather different nature: the Southern Wall. This structure (shown in cyan) is more sheet-like. It resembles the palm of a cupped hand.



# The Great Wall:

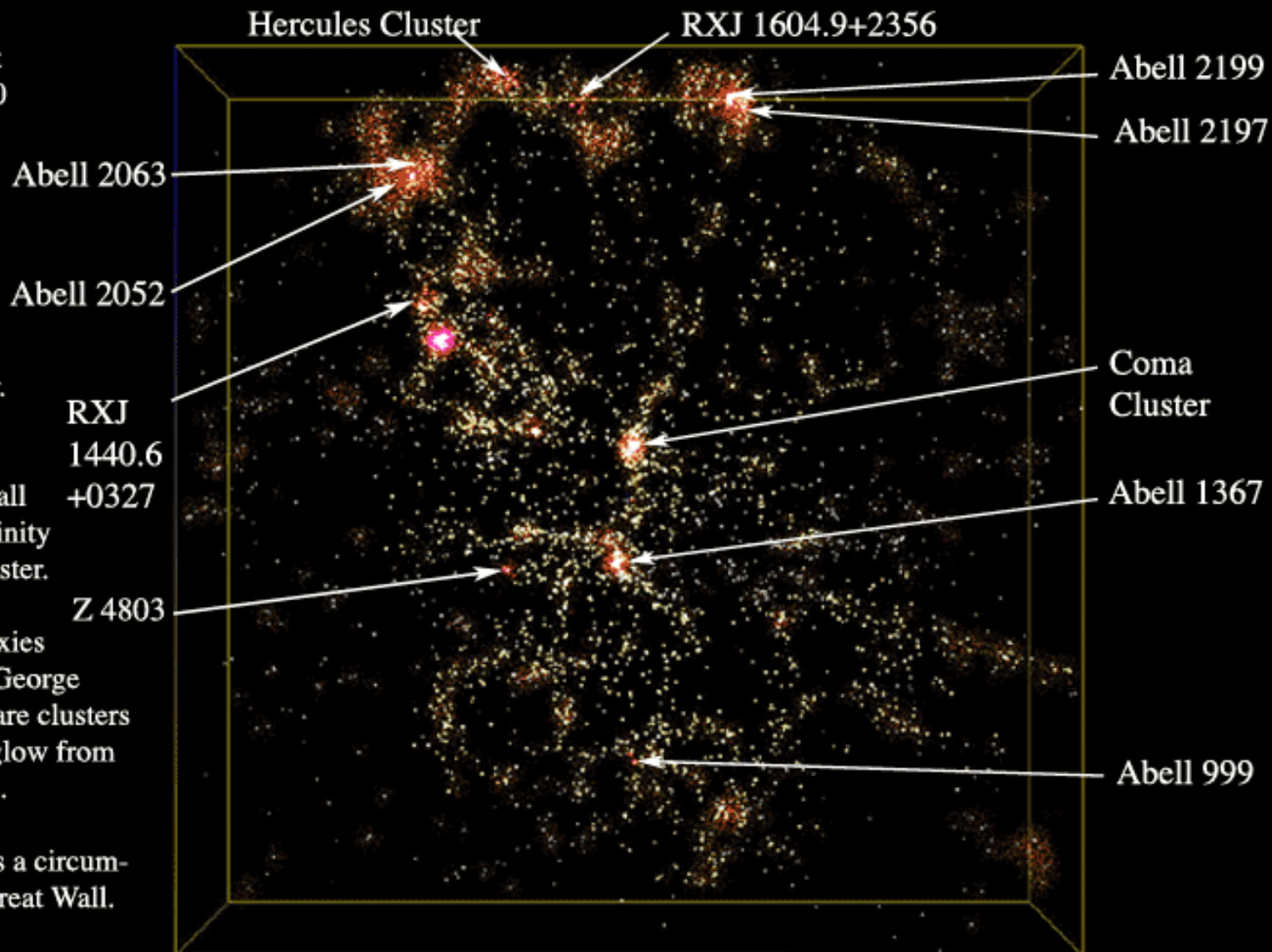
The most important structure within 350 million light years is the Great Wall.

Almost in the middle of it, is the single most dominant cluster - the Coma Cluster.

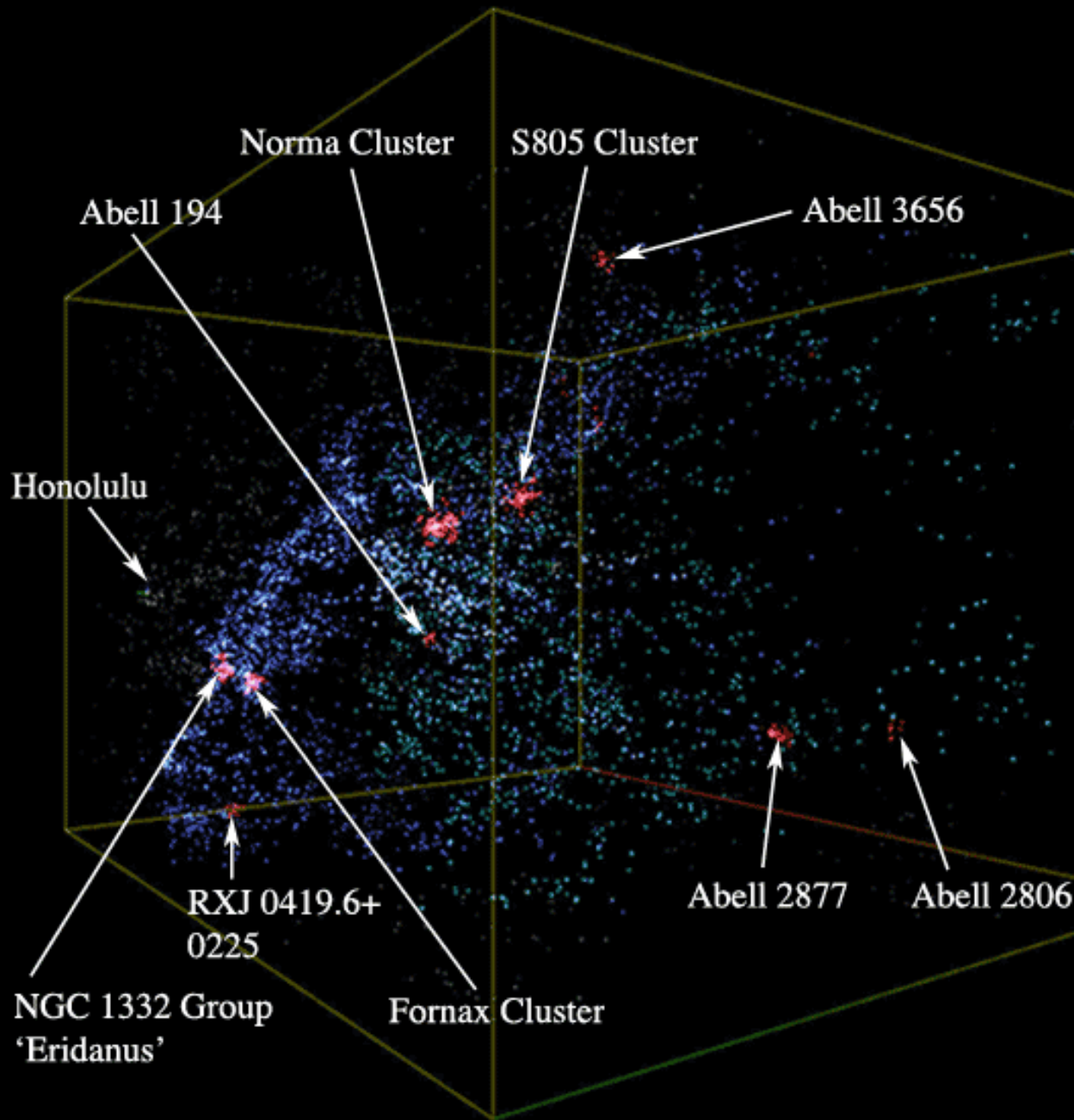
The most crowded part of the Great Wall though is in the vicinity of the Hercules Cluster.

Other knots of galaxies were identified by George Abell. Still others are clusters identified by their glow from X-Ray emitting gas.

The movie provides a circumnavigation of the Great Wall.



# The South Pole Void:



Adjacent the major structures, there are big voids. Indeed, in large measure the high density structures are created by the evacuation of the voids. There are many voids within 300 million light years, but the one illustrated here deserves special attention because it is so big and so directly in our face.

We call it the South Pole Void because it occupies much of the sky directly above the southern pole of our Milky Way Galaxy. The void resembles the interior of an empty shell open at one end (though rather deformed).

The nearest wall comes within 40-50 million light years of us. This part of the structure has been called the Southern Supercluster. The far side, roughly 300 million light years away, is the Southern Wall. In fact, the 'void' is not entirely empty. There is a lacey filament that intersects it.

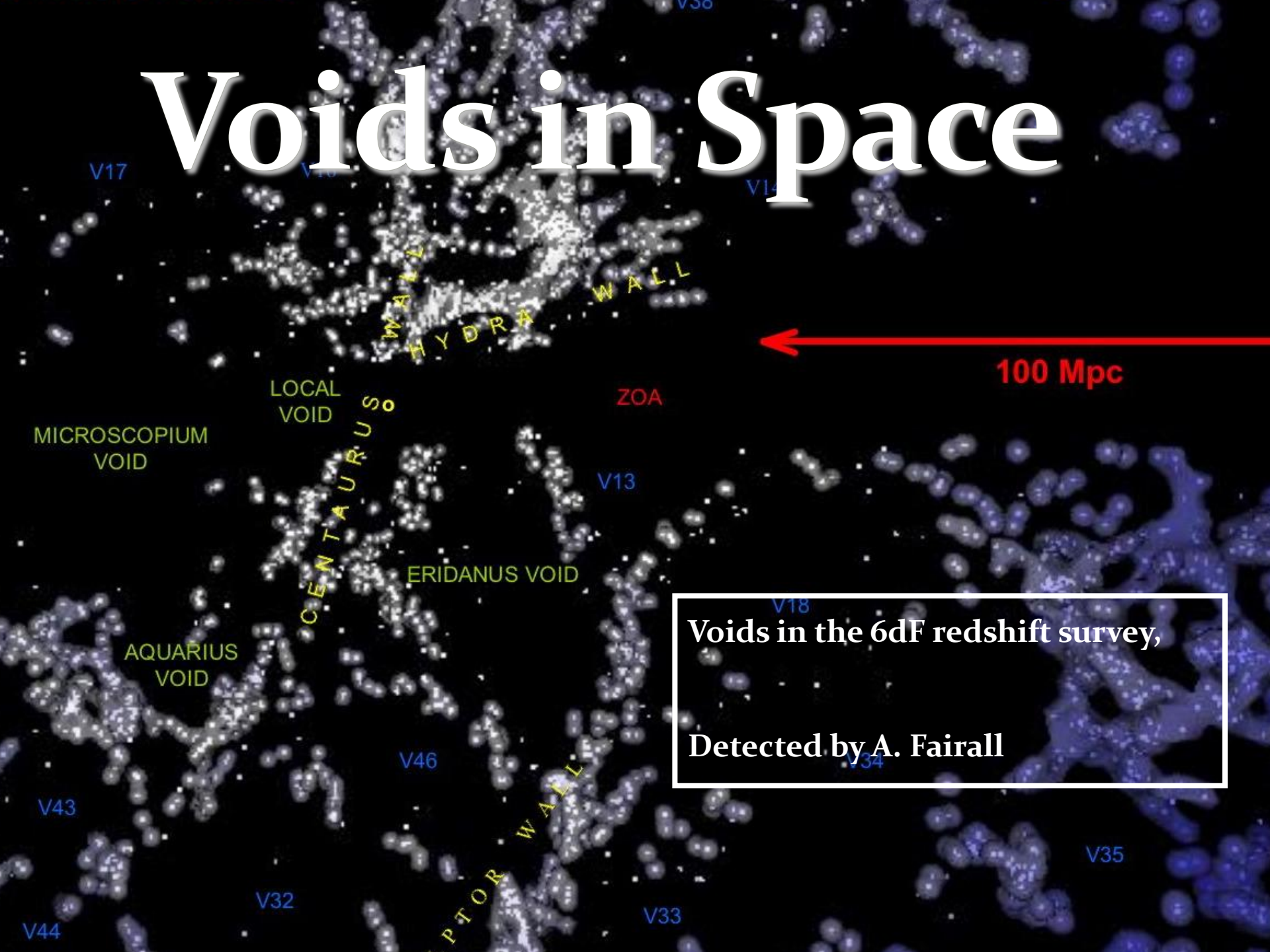
**Local Universe,  
Constrained simulation,**

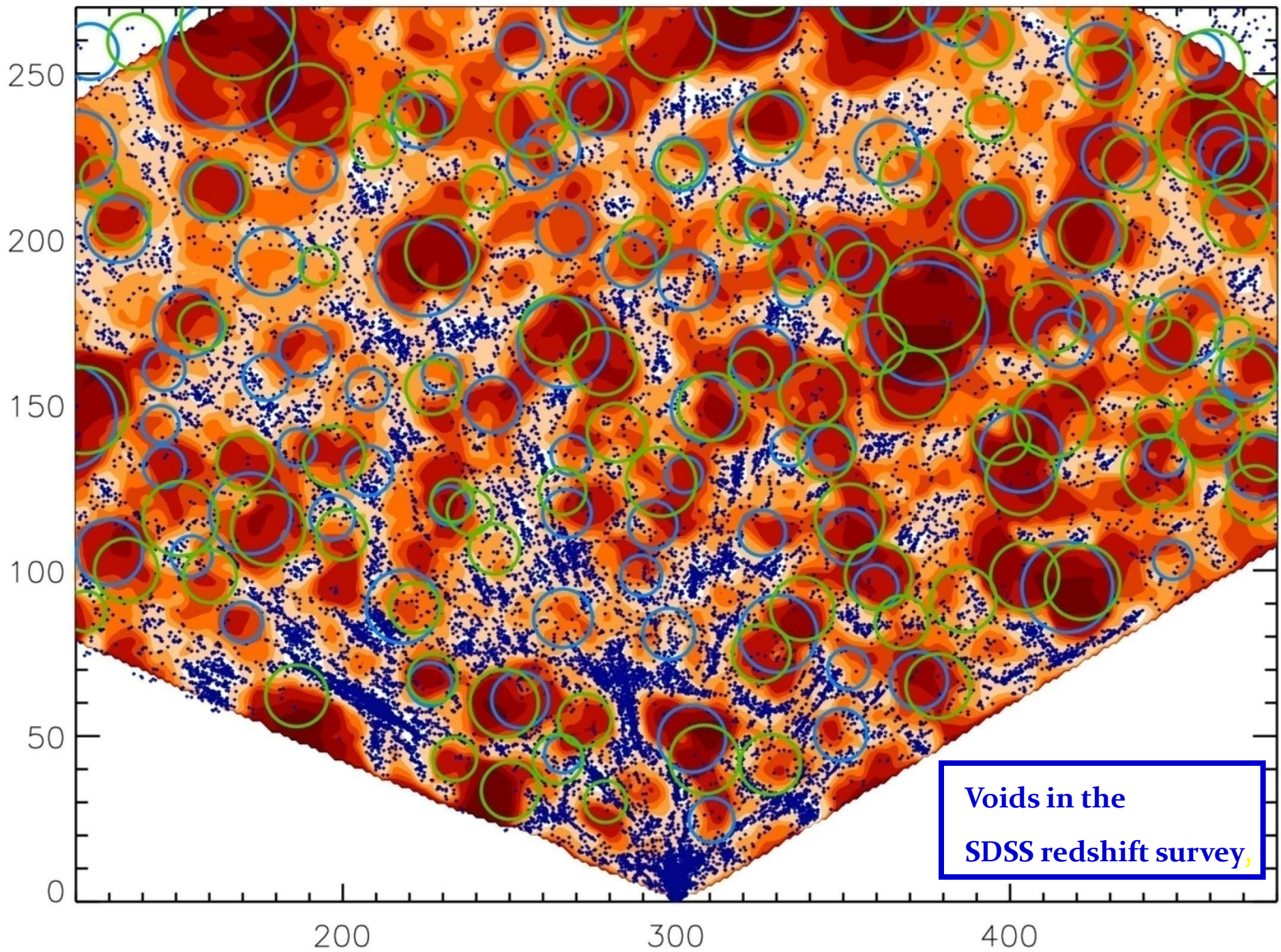
**movie, Klaus Dolag**

# Cosmic Depressions

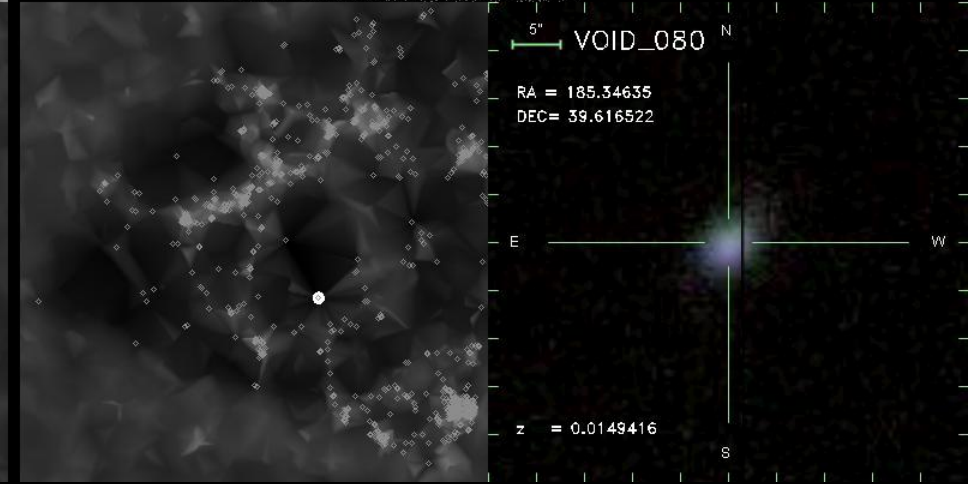
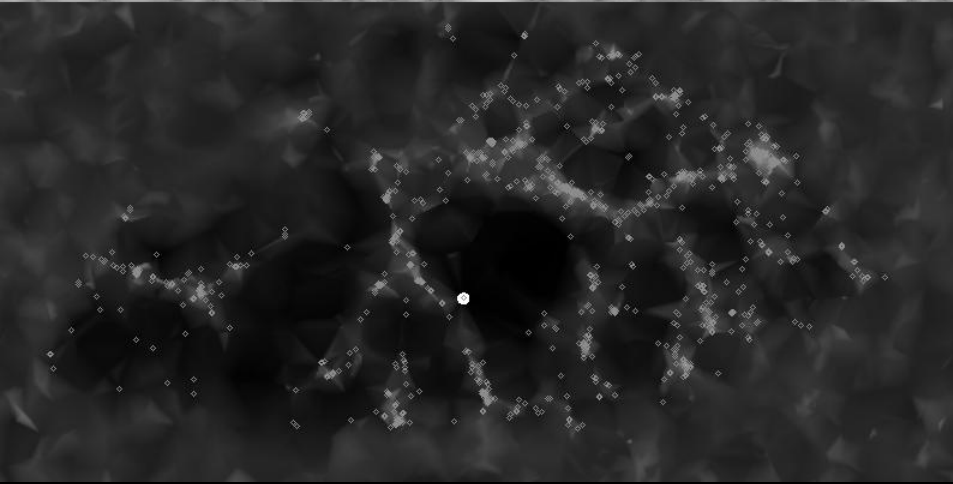
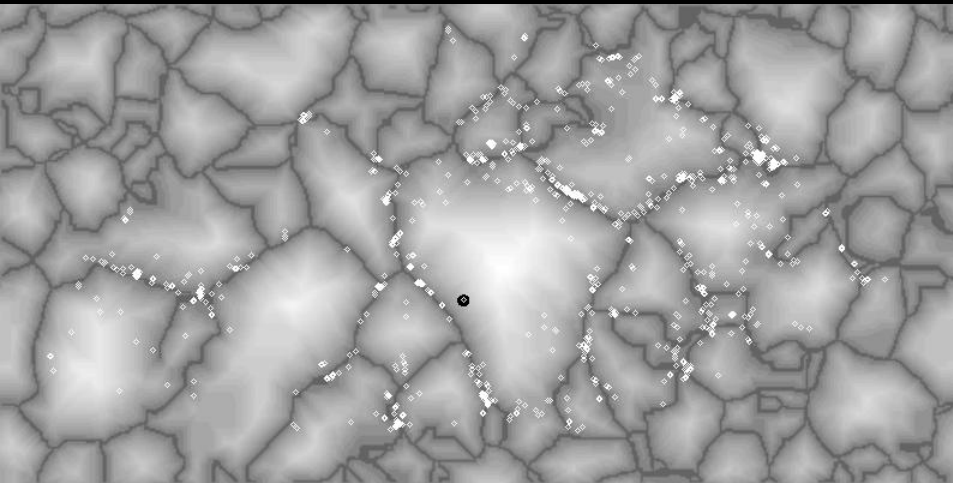
Voids in Space

# Voids in Space



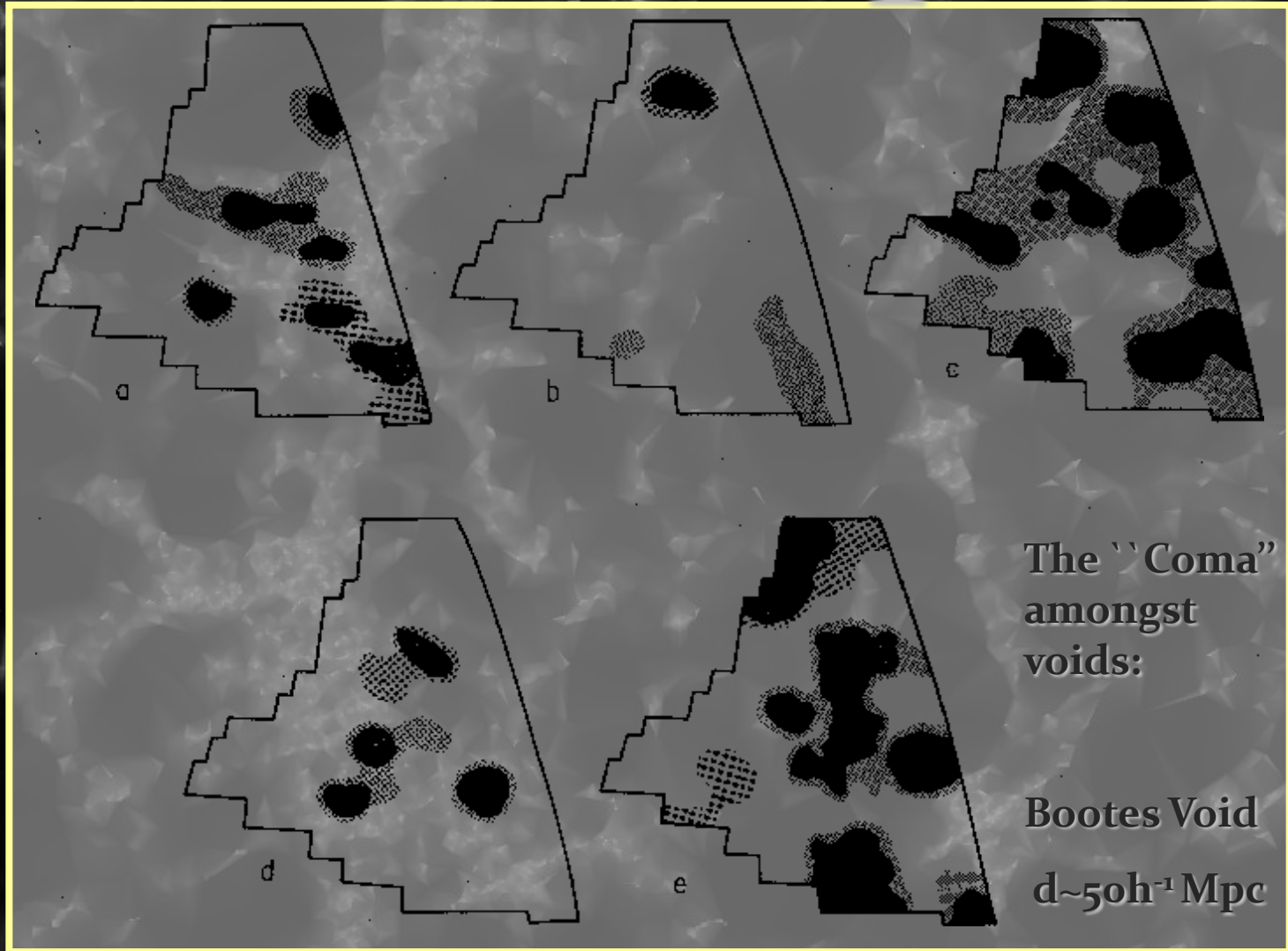


# SDSS Voids





# Voids in Space



# Voids in Space

## The Bootes Void.

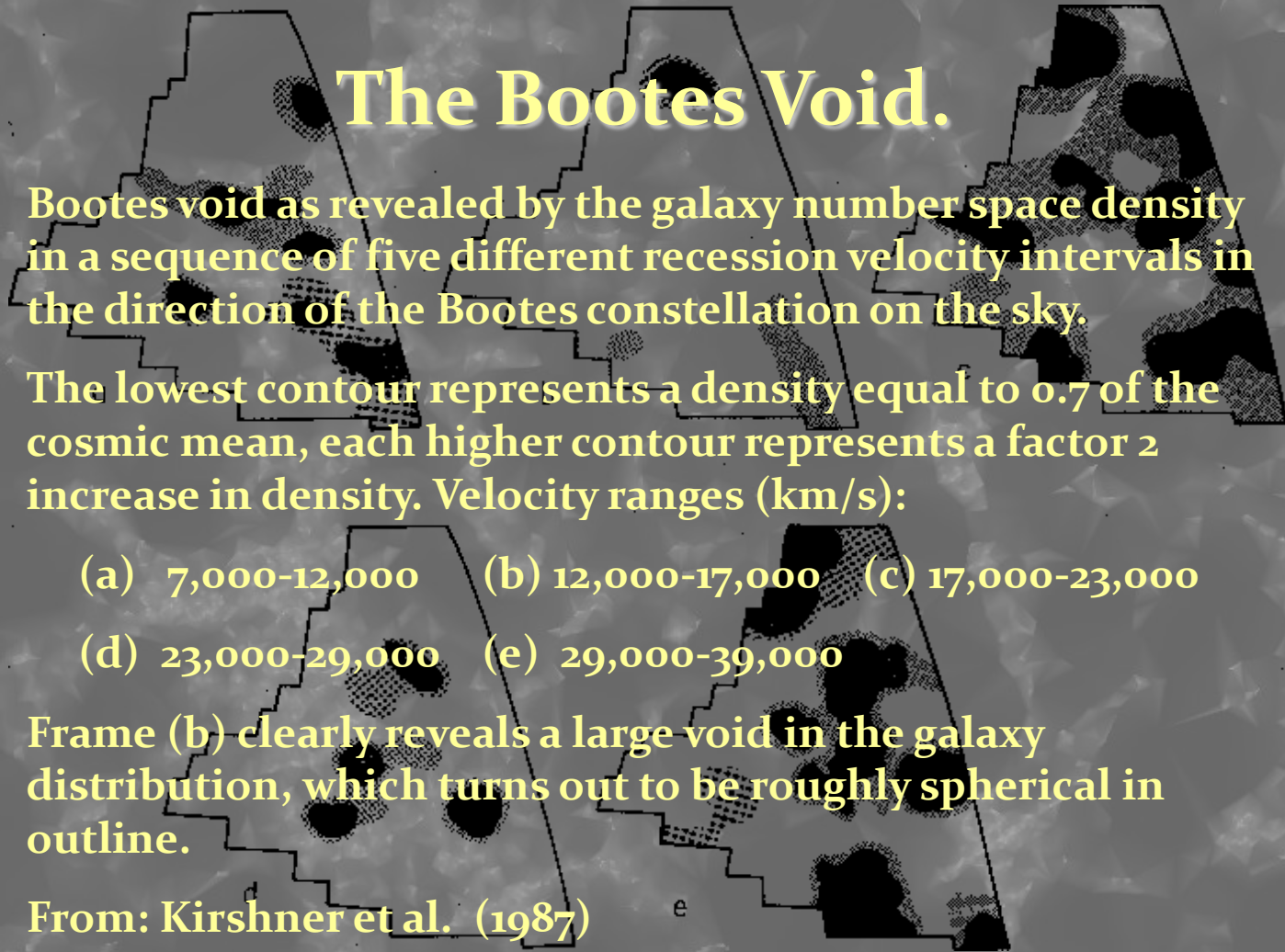
Bootes void as revealed by the galaxy number space density in a sequence of five different recession velocity intervals in the direction of the Bootes constellation on the sky.

The lowest contour represents a density equal to 0.7 of the cosmic mean, each higher contour represents a factor 2 increase in density. Velocity ranges (km/s):

- (a) 7,000-12,000    (b) 12,000-17,000    (c) 17,000-23,000  
(d) 23,000-29,000    (e) 29,000-39,000

Frame (b) clearly reveals a large void in the galaxy distribution, which turns out to be roughly spherical in outline.

From: Kirshner et al. (1987)

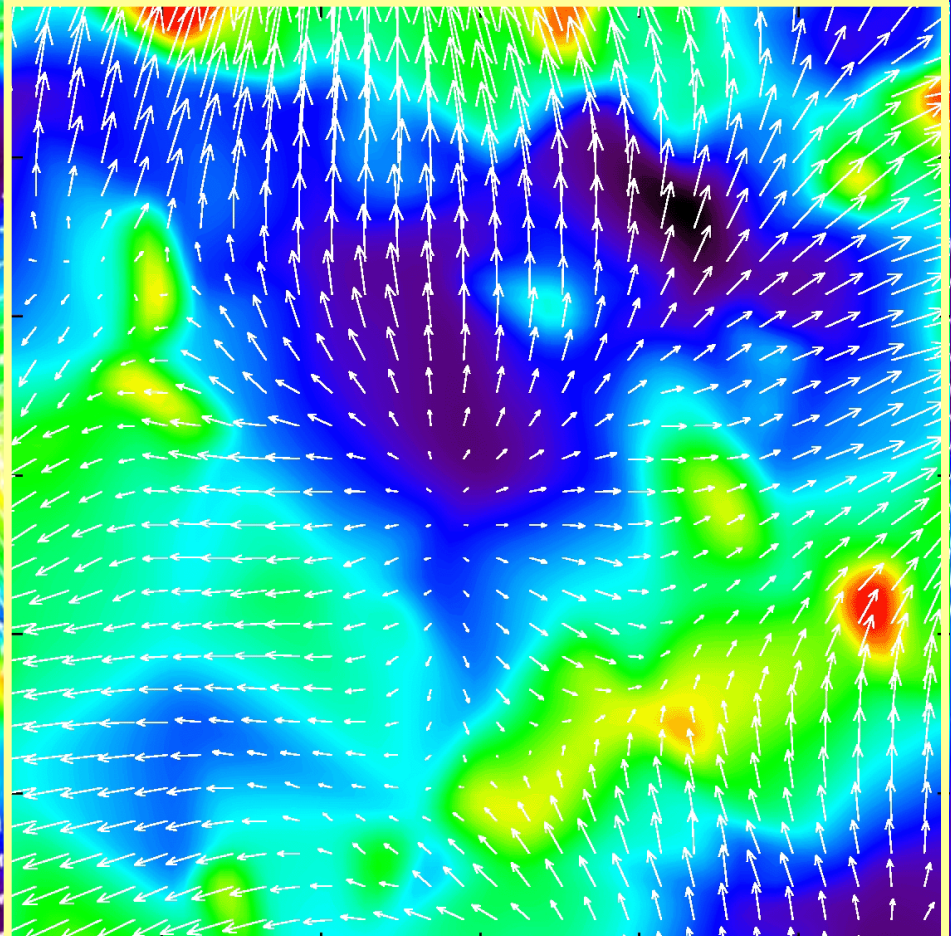


# Voids in Space

## Void Dynamics:

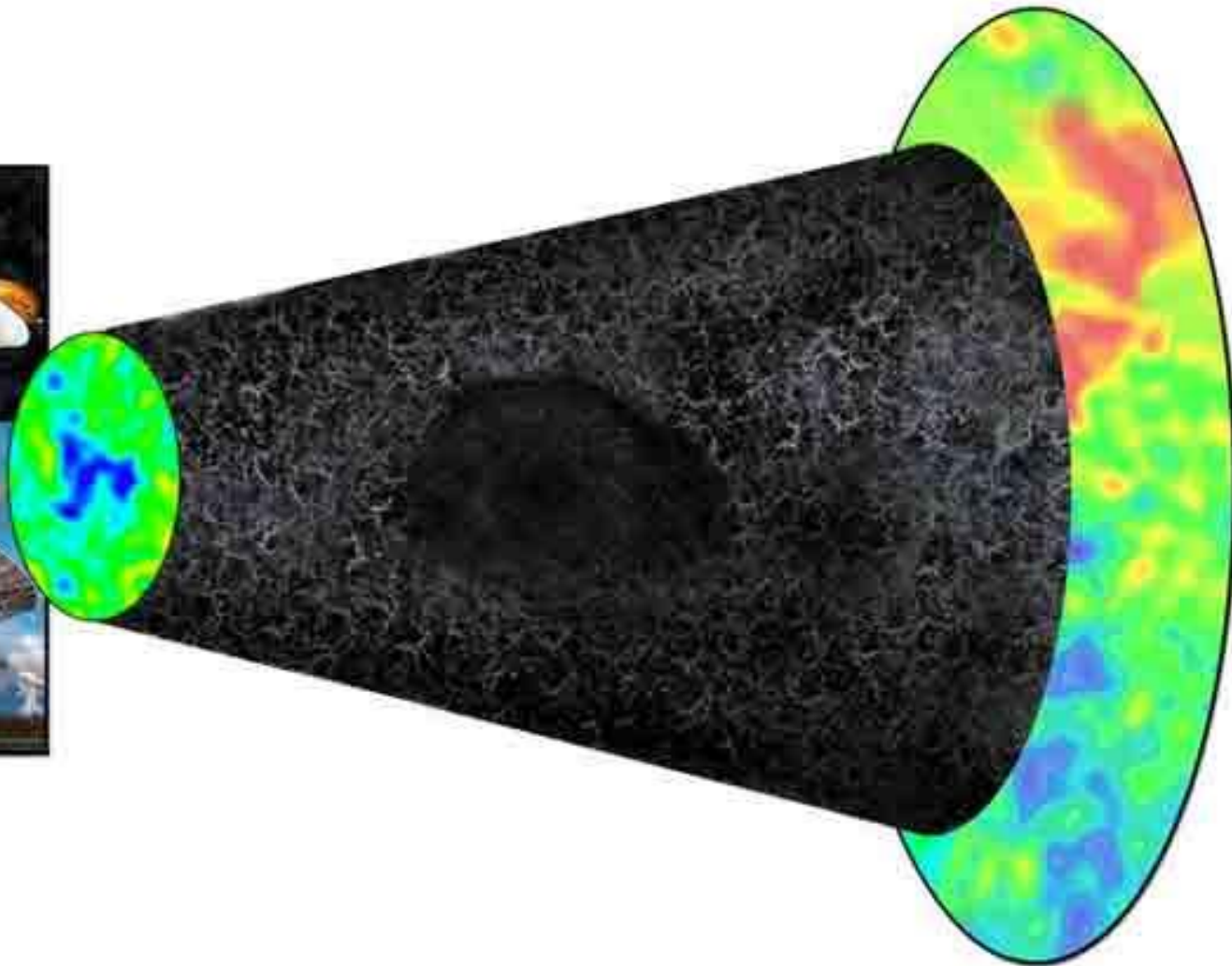
Voids exert a repulsing dynamical influence over their surroundings.

**Sculptor Void**



**PSCz:** DTFE density & velocity field  
(Romano-Diaz & vdW)

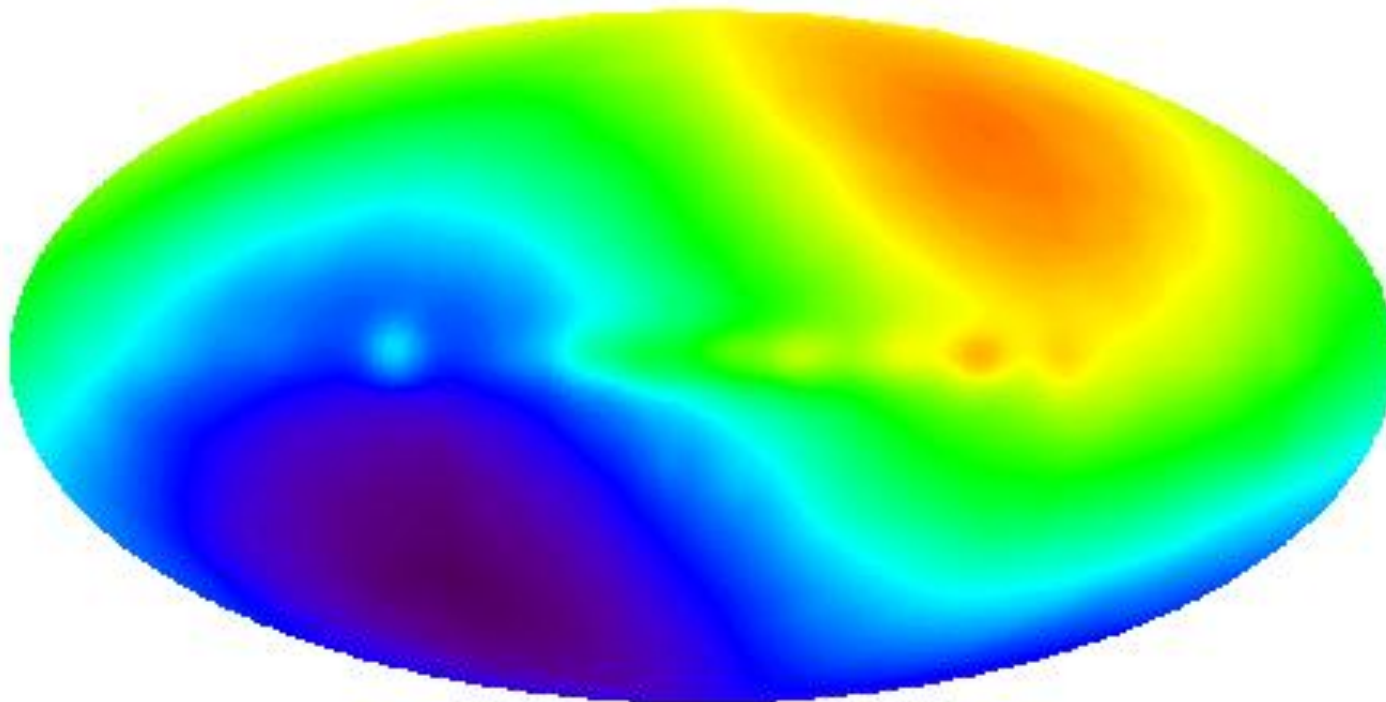
# Supervoids ???



# Local Universe Dynamics

## Peculiar Velocities

# The CMB Dipole



We are moving  
with a velocity

$$v \sim 627 \text{ km/s}$$

with respect  
to the Universe:

this motion is  
locally induced:

gravitational  
influence of  
surrounding  
mass structures

$$\Delta T = 3.36 \text{ mK}$$

$$(l, b) = (264.3^\circ, 48.1^\circ)$$

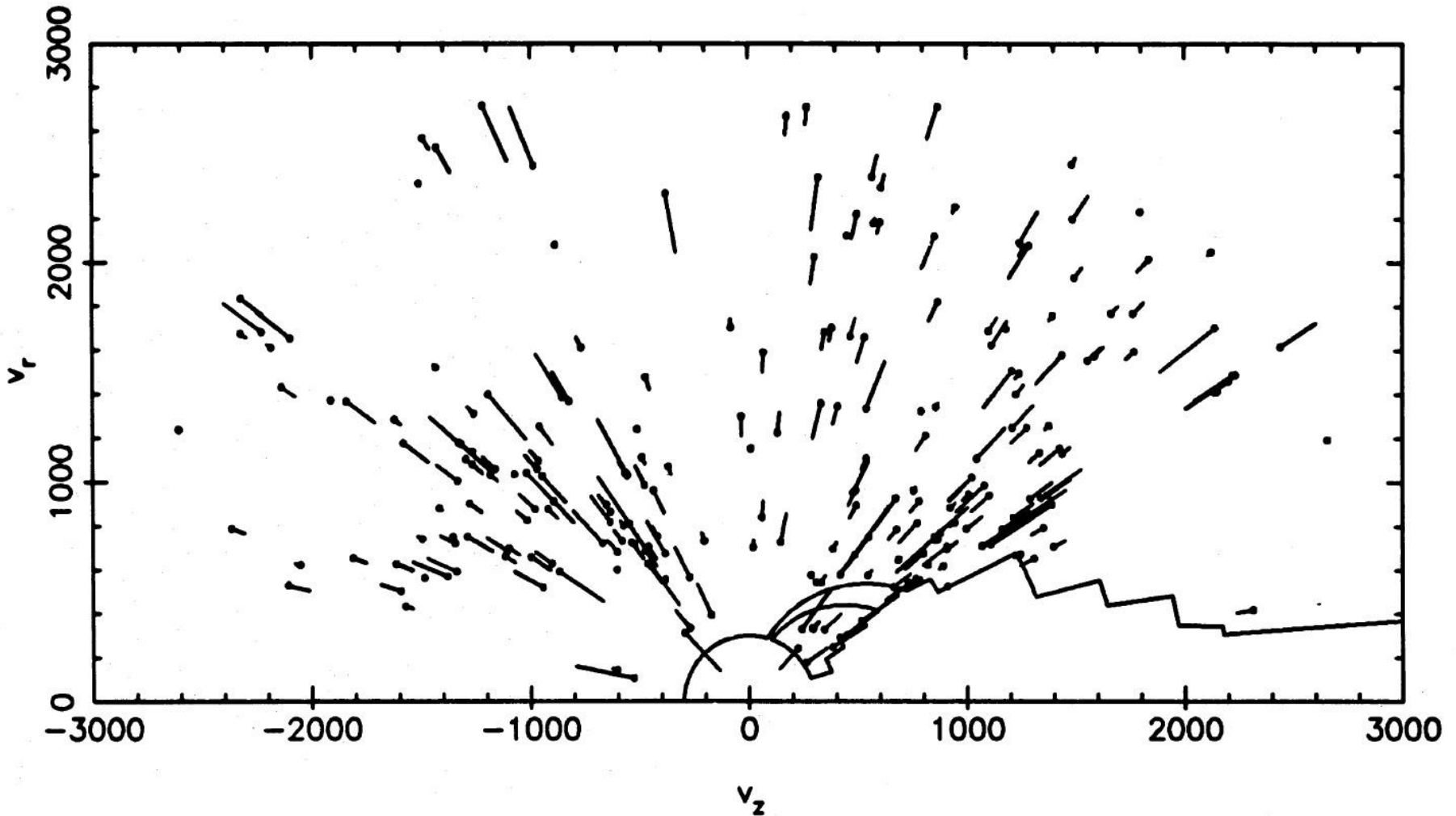


$$v_{\text{LG}} = 627 \pm 22 \text{ km/s}$$

$$(l, b) = (276^\circ, 30^\circ)$$

# Local Supercluster flow

Lilje, Yahil & Jones 1986



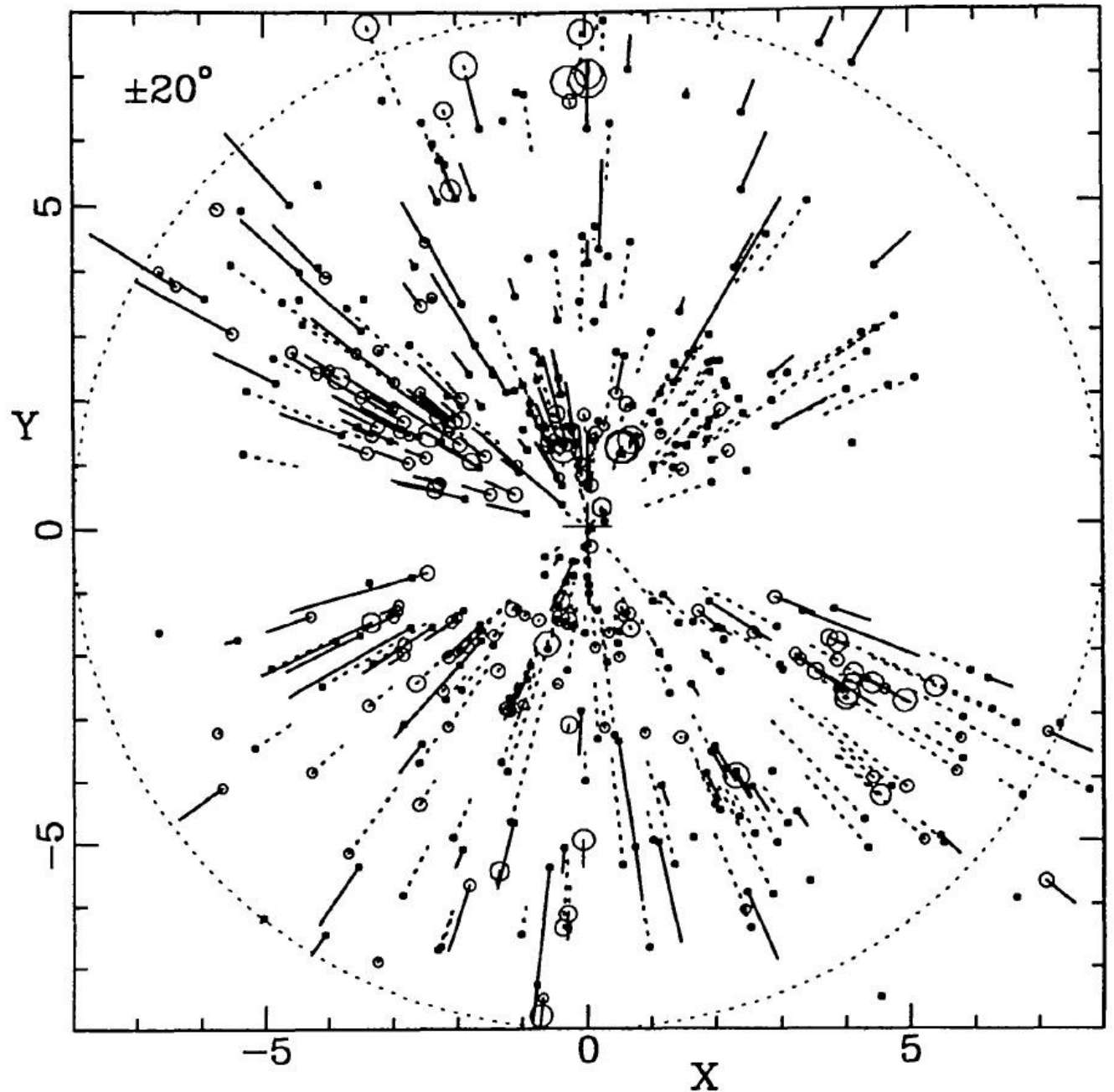
By mapping measured (radial) velocities within our Local Supercluster, one notices the (tidal) gravitational influence of external mass concentrations

Mark III

Peculiar  
radial velocities  
in Local Universe

Willick, Strauss et al

First flow maps:  
7 Samurai





# Velocity & Gravity

In linear regime (small density inhomogeneities)

- the velocity flow directly reflects the matter distribution throughout the Universe:  $\delta(\mathbf{x})$  (mainly a rather restricted “local” region)
- As well as the cosmic density parameter  $\Omega$
- Gravitational Acceleration (wrt. Background Universe) is integral over all inhomogeneities:

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{1}{a} \nabla \phi = \frac{3\Omega H^2}{8\pi} \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3}$$

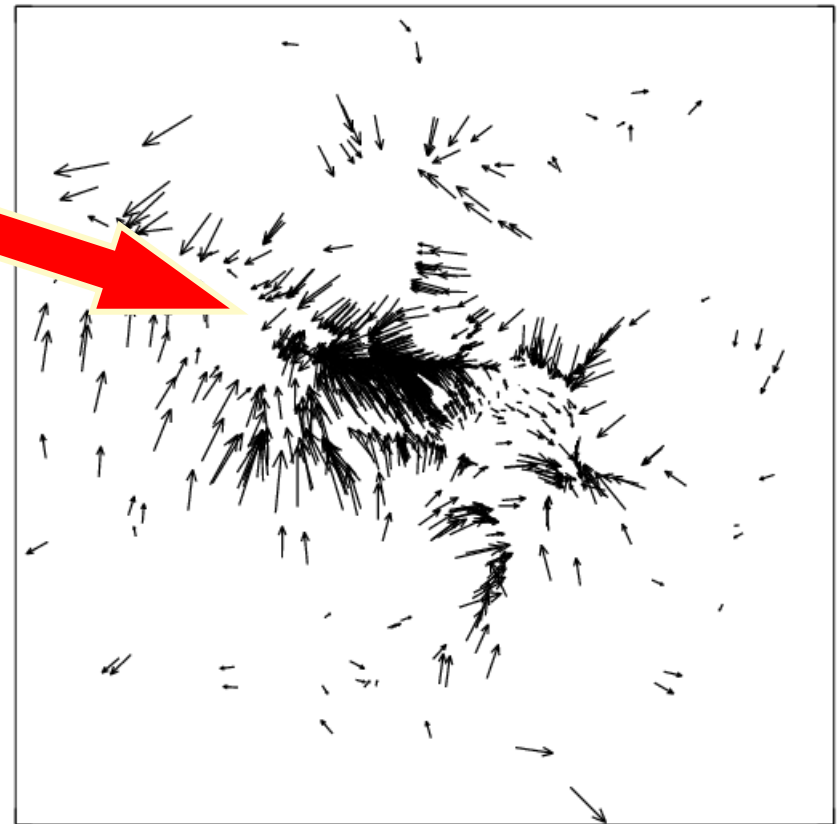
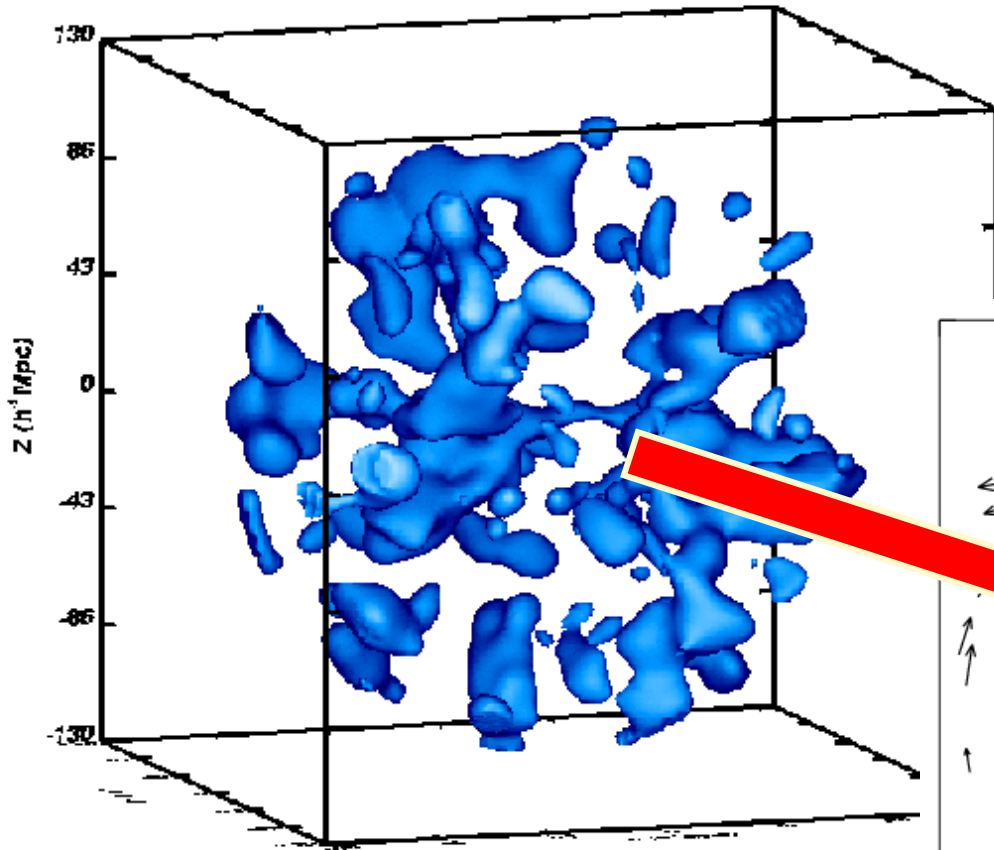
# Cosmic Migration Flows

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{H f}{4\pi G \rho_u} \mathbf{g} = \frac{2 f}{3H\Omega} \mathbf{g}$$



$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{H}{4\pi} \frac{f(\Omega_m)}{b} a \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta_{gal}(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3}$$

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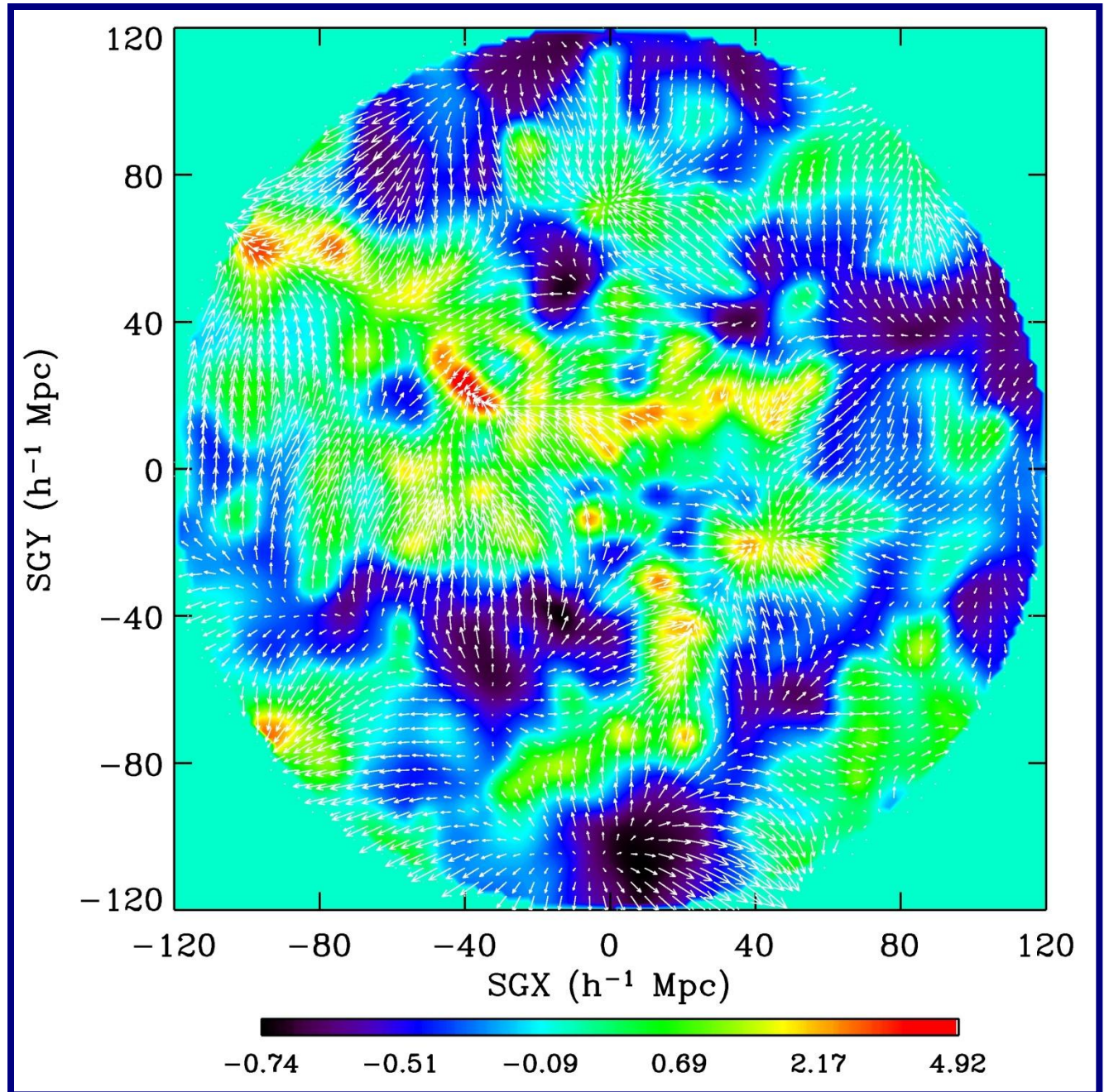
PSCz sample:

Corresponding velocity field

# PSCz flow field in Local Universe

(centre:  
Local Group)

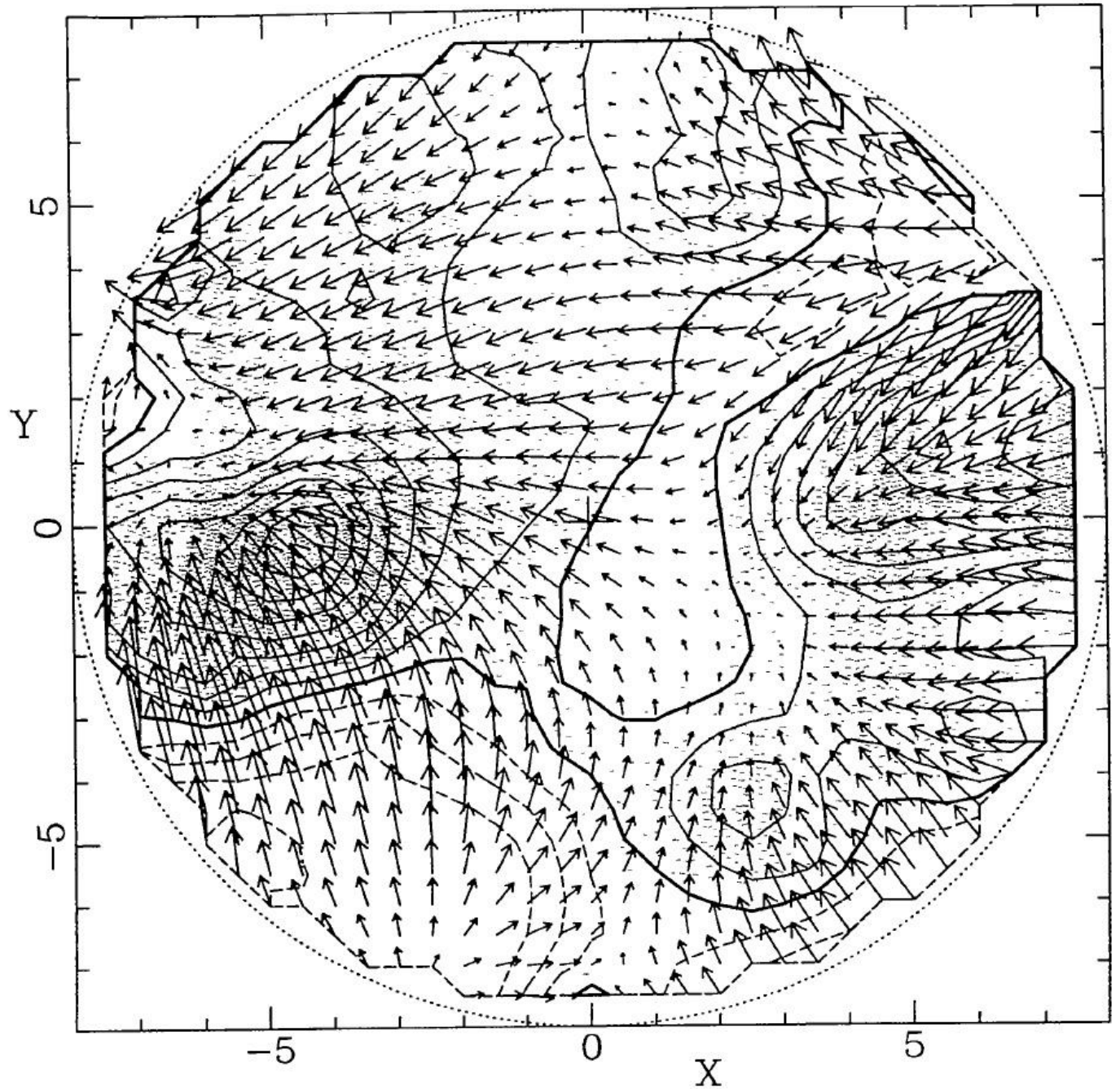
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POTENT map

Mass distribution  
Local Universe

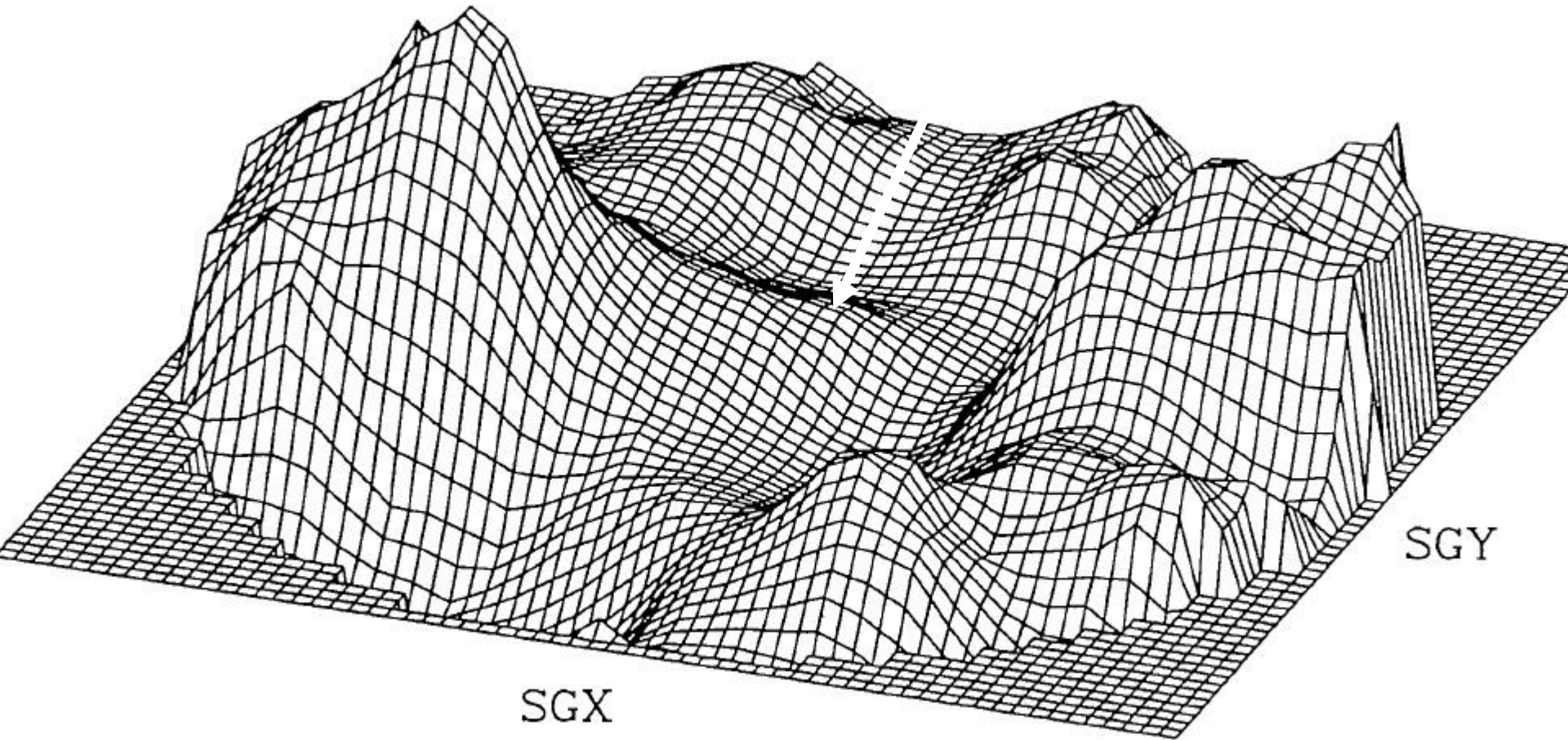
Bertschinger,  
Dekel, et al.



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# Local Universe Dynamics

## Great Attractor

IRAS  
R = 2500

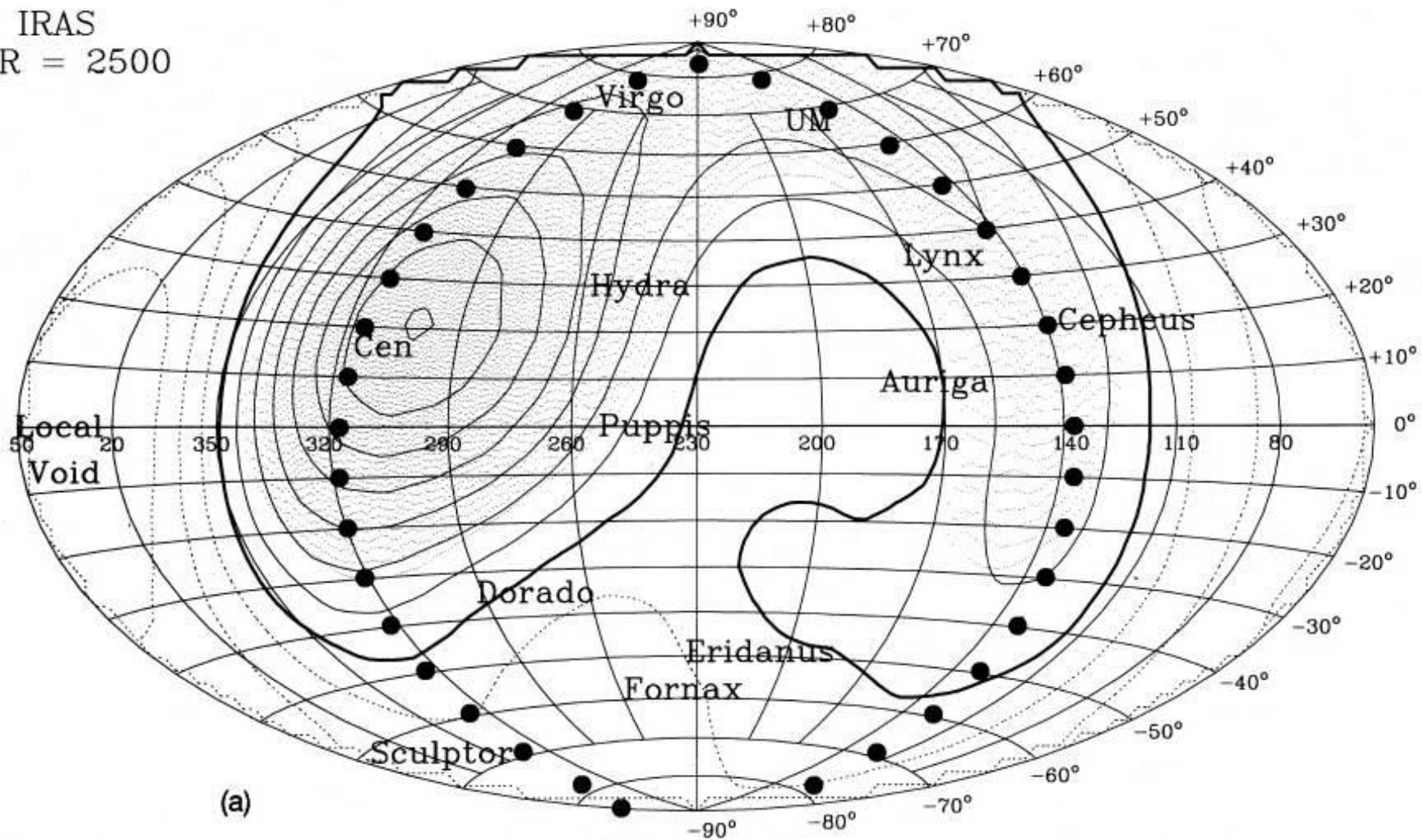
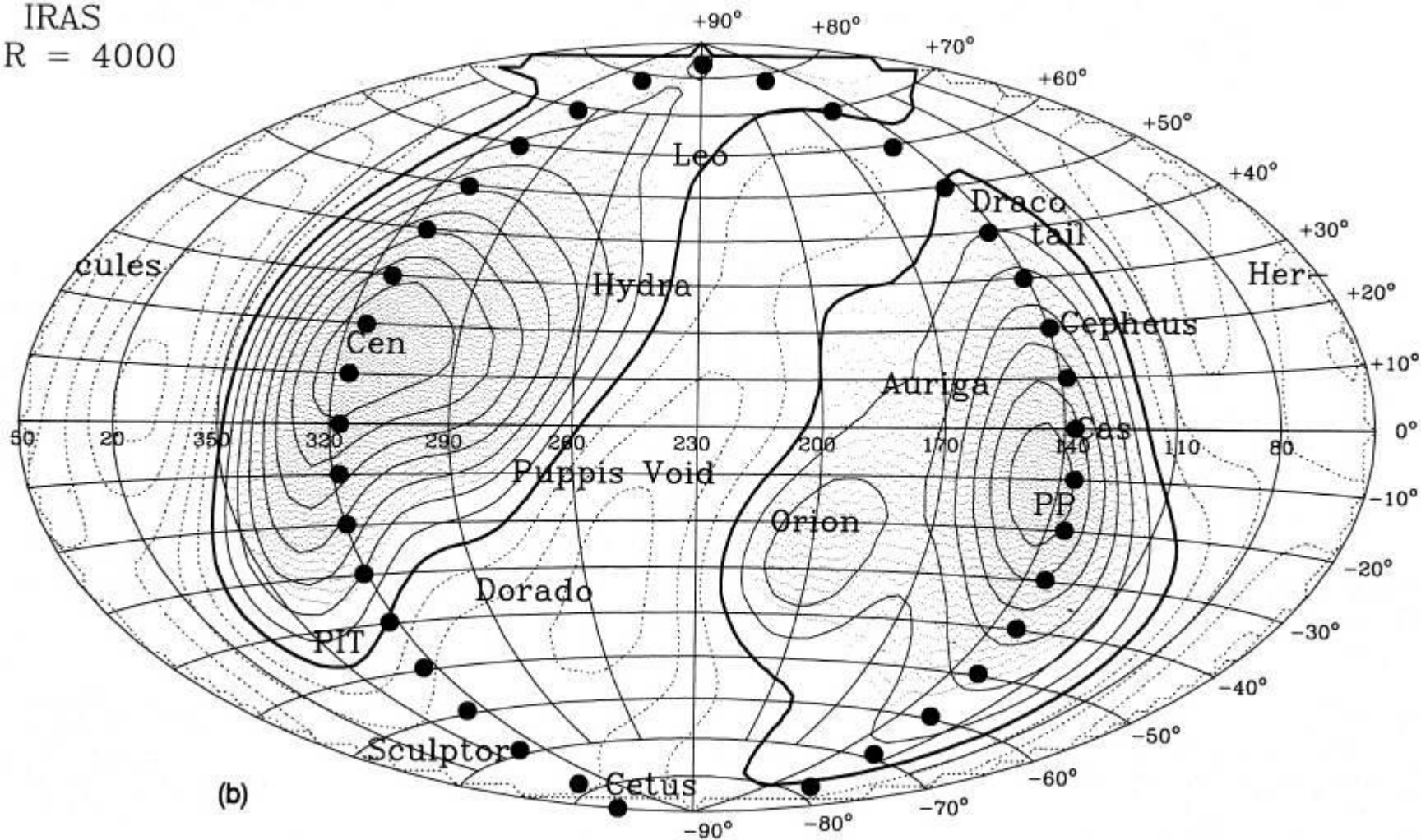


Figure 4. The galaxy density fluctuation field from the *IRAS* 1.9-Jy survey (by Yahil et al. 1991). Coordinates, smoothing, contours and shell distances are as in Fig. 3.

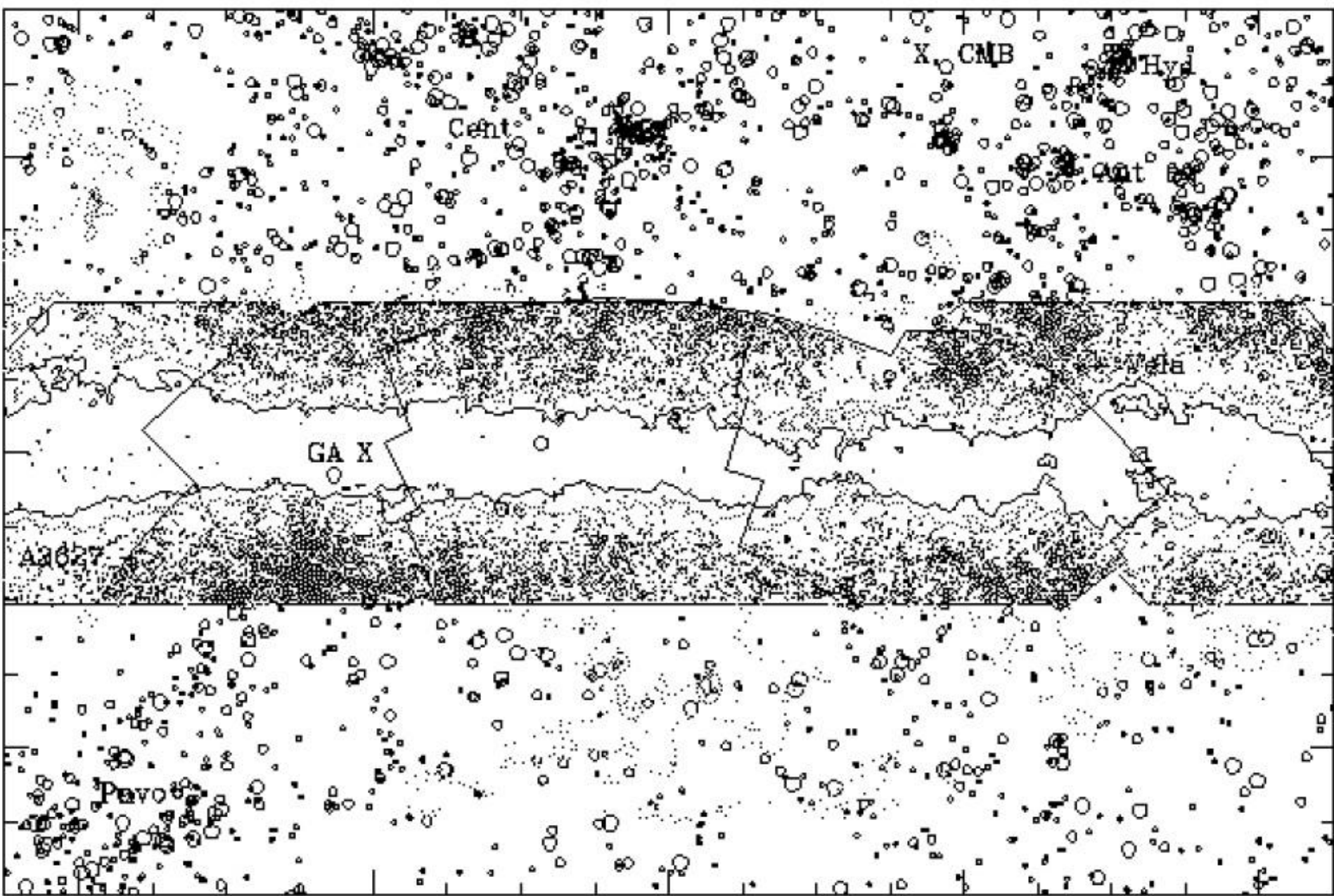


IRAS  
R = 4000



(b)

Figure 4 - continued



340

320

300

280

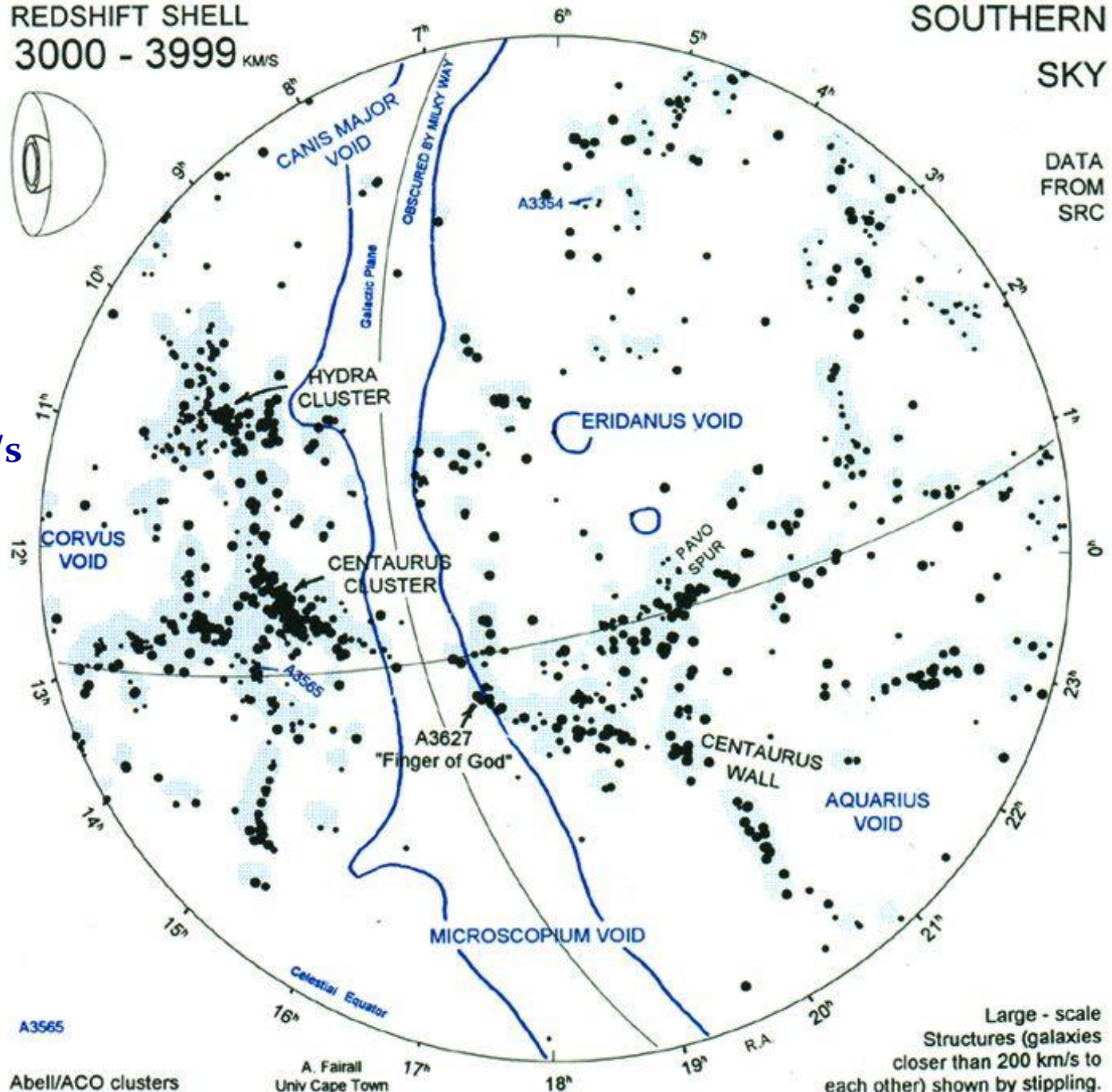
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Galactic Longitude

REDSHIFT SHELL  
3000 - 3999 km/s

SOUTHERN  
SKY

DATA  
FROM  
SRC



Tony Fairall's  
nearby LSS map:

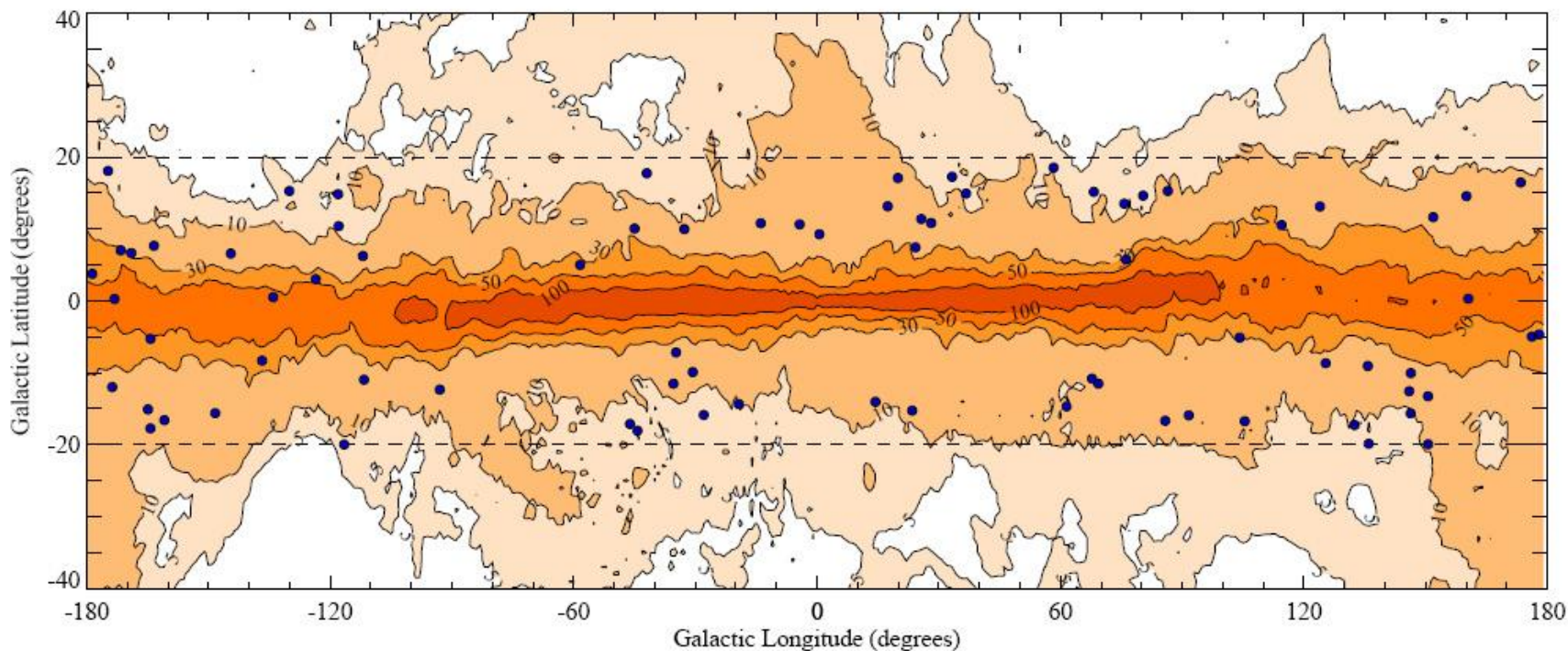
$cz=3000-3999$  km/s

clear views of  
Great Attractor:

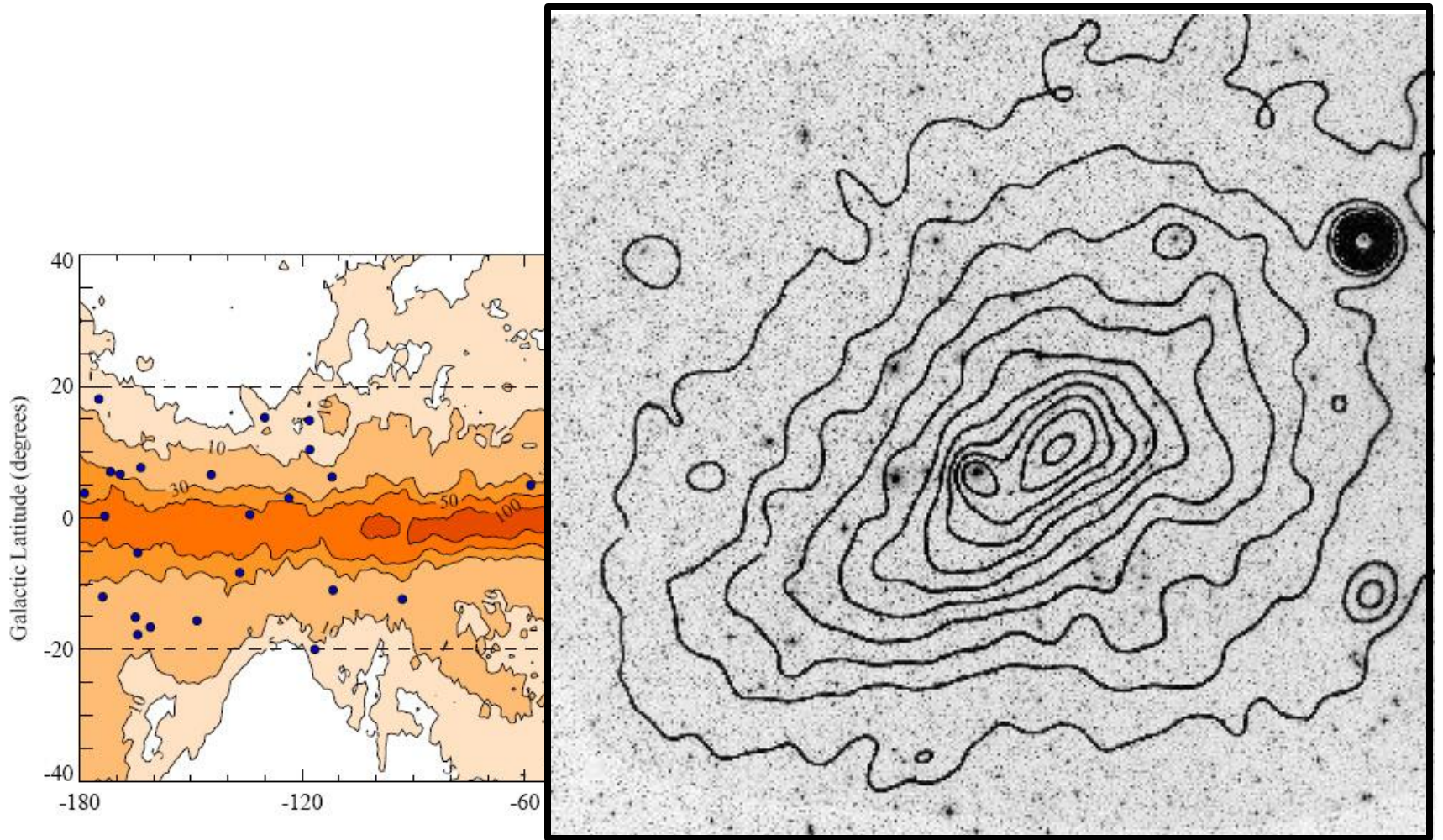
Norma Cluster/  
A3627



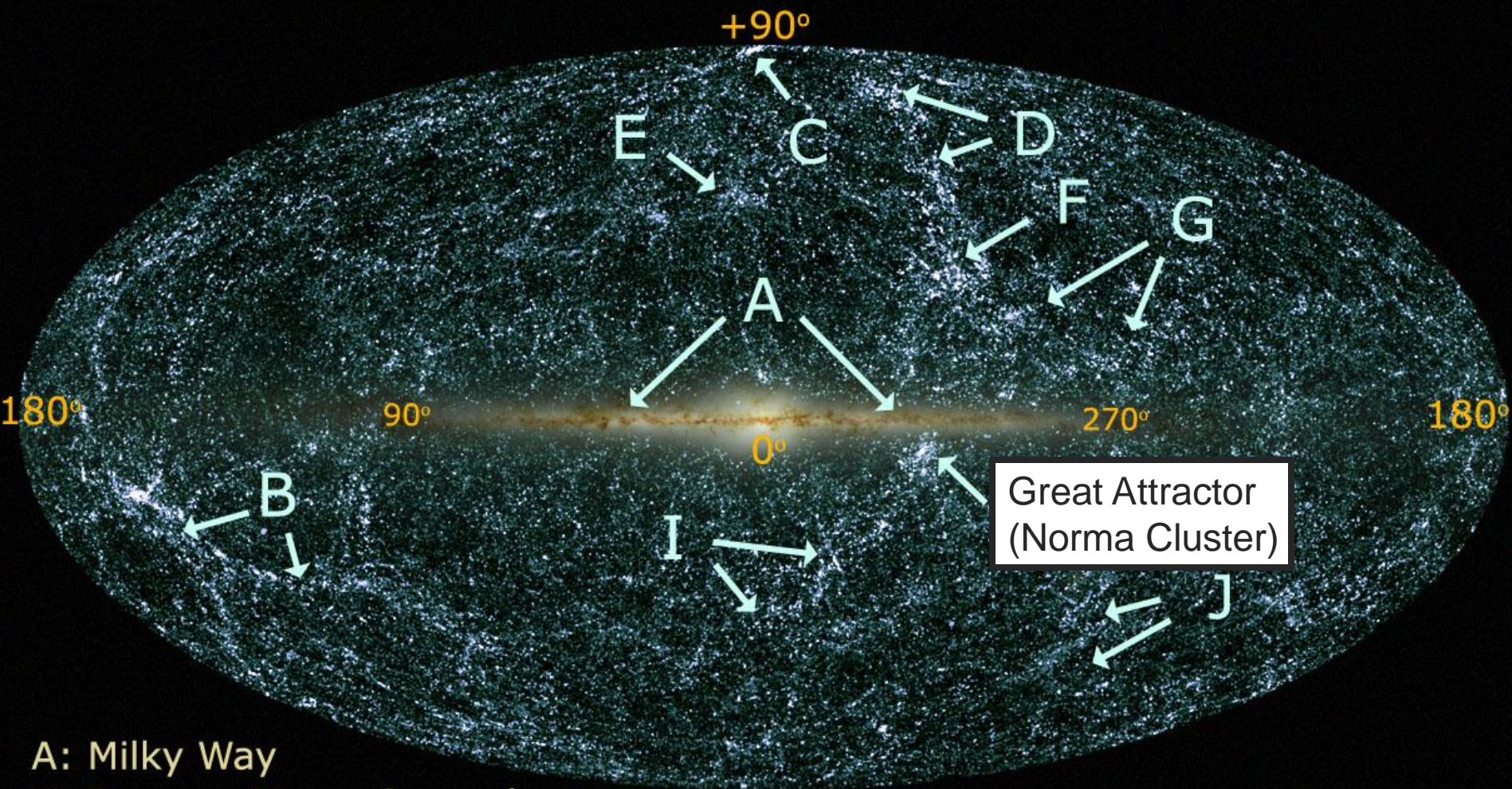
**the Great Attractor's Heart:  
Norma Cluster**



**Fig. 16.** Distribution in Galactic coordinates of the 76 by Ebeling et al. [129] so far spectroscopically confirmed X-ray clusters (solid dots) of which 80% were previously unknown. Superimposed are Galactic HI column densities in units of  $10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  (Dickey & Lockman 1990). Note that the region of relatively high absorption ( $N_{\text{HI}} > 5 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ) actually is very narrow and that clusters could be identified to very low latitudes



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- A: Milky Way
- B: Perseus-Pisces Supercluster
- C: Coma Cluster
- D: Virgo Cluster/Local Supercluster
- E: Hercules Supercluster
- F: Shapley Concentration/Abell 3558

- G: Hydra-Centaurus Supercluster
- H: "Great Attractor"/Abell 3627
- I: Pavo-Indus Supercluster
- J: Horologium-Reticulum Supercluster

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Cosmic Web



# Megaparsec Scale Structure of the Universe

- a variety of structures of different mass, size (scale), morphology, ...:
- clusters, filaments, sheets, voids, ...
- Not distributed at random throughout cosmic volume. Instead, arranged within a distinct spatial pattern,
- an intricate weblike configuration, pervading the whole of the observable Universe.
- Filaments and Sheets delineate connected network, arranged by massive rich clusters in the nodes of the web, all surrounding huge underdense voidlike regions

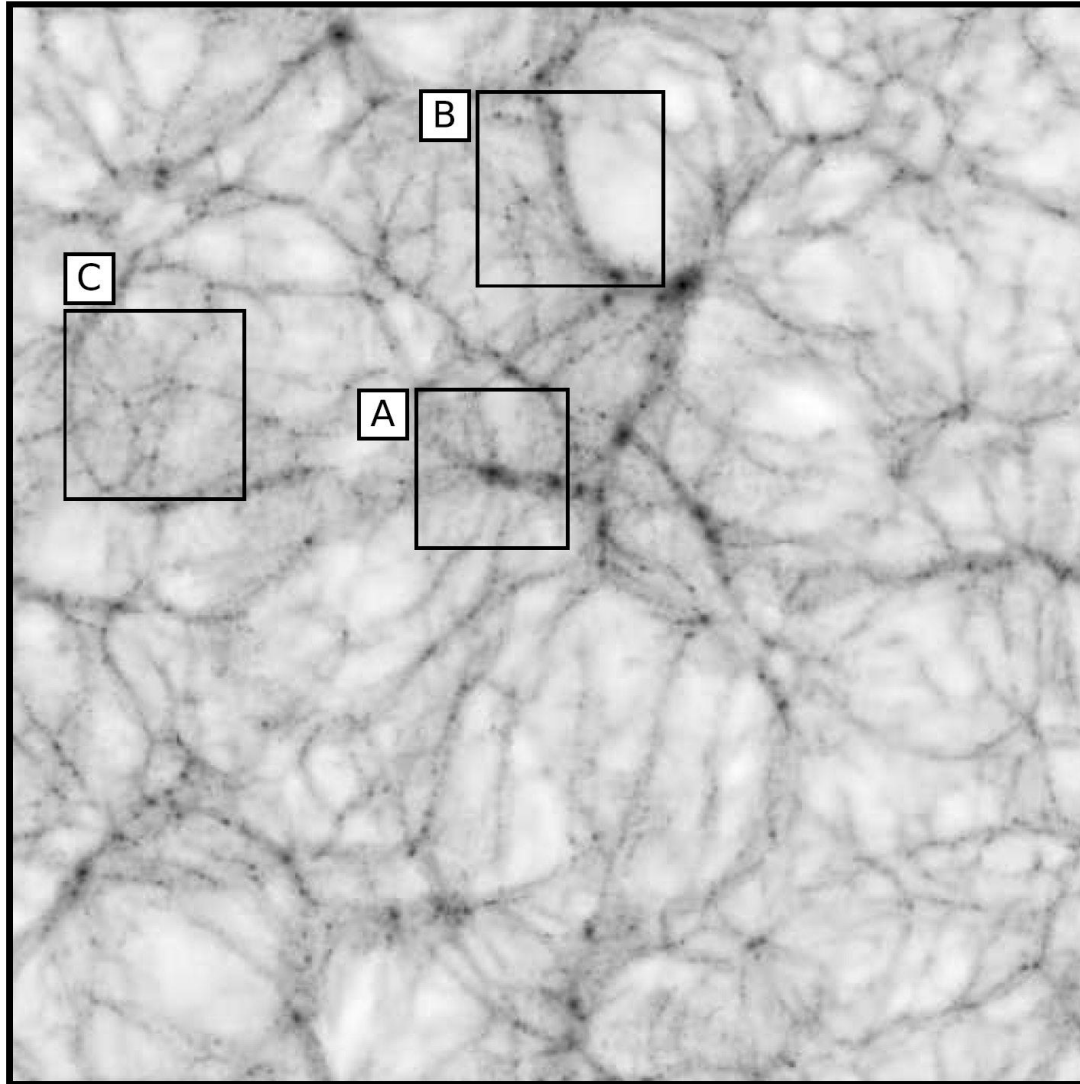
## the Cosmic Web

# The Cosmic Web

## Stochastic Spatial Pattern of

- Clusters,
  - Filaments &
  - Walls
- around
- Voids

in which matter,  
(DM, gas, gal's)  
has agglomerated



A).- Cluster

B).- Filament

C).- Wall

Over the past two decades we have witnessed a paradigm shift in our perception of the Megaparsec scale structure in the Universe. As increasing elaborate galaxy redshift surveys charted ever larger regions in the nearby Universe, an intriguingly complex and salient foamlike network came to unfold and establish itself as the quintessential characteristic of the cosmic matter and galaxy distribution.

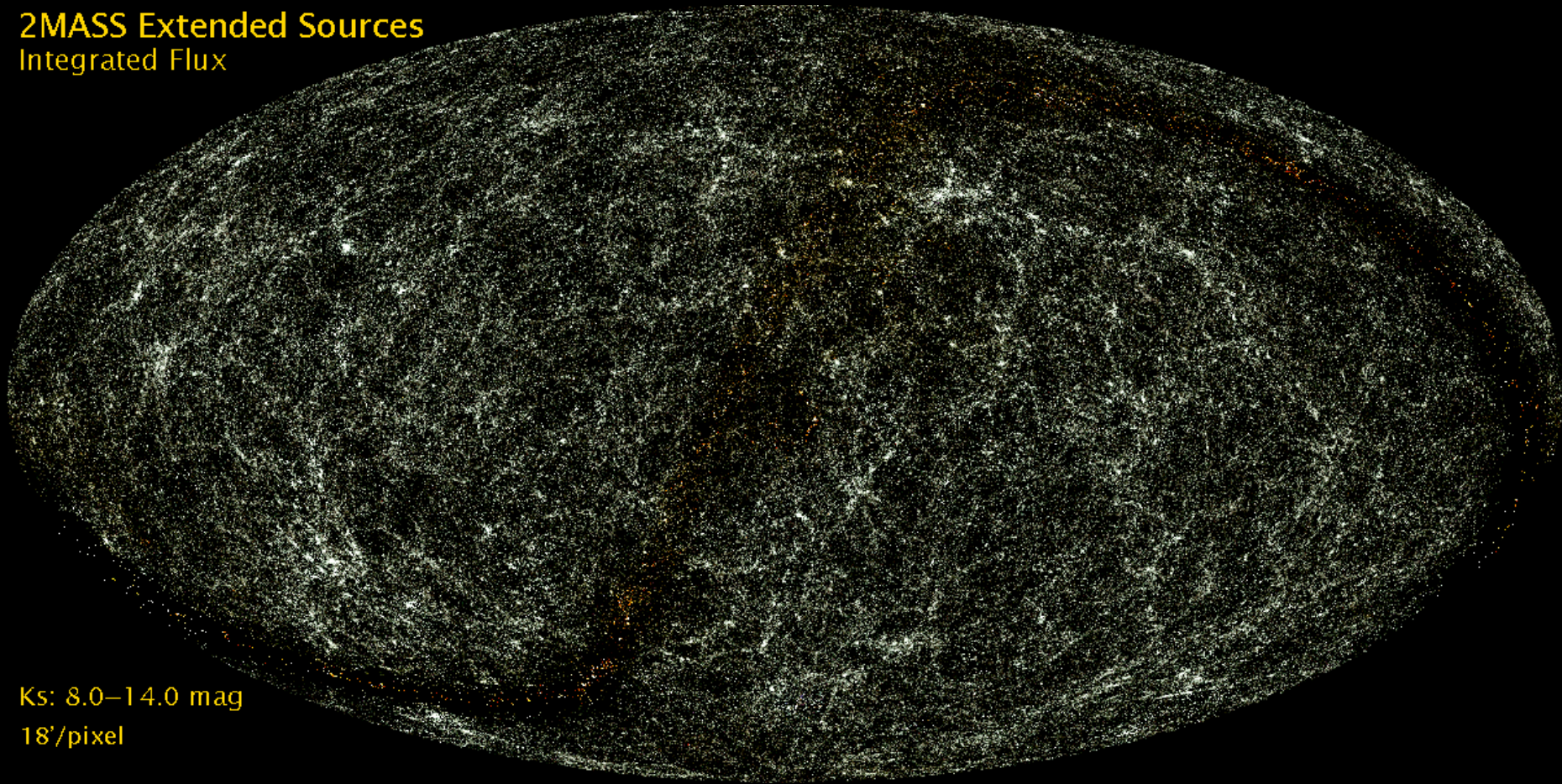
In a great many physical systems, the spatial organization of matter is one of the most readily observable manifestations of the forces and processes forming and moulding them. Richly structured morphologies are usually the consequence of the complex and nonlinear collective action of basic physical processes.

The vast **Megaparsec cosmic web** is undoubtedly one of the most striking examples of **complex geometric patterns** found in nature. In its own right, the vast dimensions and intricate composition of the cosmic foam make it one of the most imposing and intriguing patterns existing in the Universe. Its wide-ranging importance stems from its status as a cosmic fossil. On a scale of **tens up to a few hundred Megaparsecs** it is still relatively straightforward to relate the configuration at the present cosmic epoch to that of the primordial matter distribution from which it emerged. With the cosmic foam seemingly representing this phase, it assumes a fundamental role in the quest for understanding the origin of all structures in the Universe.

While its complex cellular morphology involves one of the most outstanding and evident aspects of the Cosmic foam, it has also remained one defying simple definitions which may be the cause of it having remained one of the least addressed aspects. The geometry of the cosmic foam may be described as a nontrivial stochastic assembly of various **anisotropic** and **asymmetric** elements. A major deficiency in the vast majority of studies on the large scale distribution of galaxies has been the lack of suitable quantitative and statistical characterizations of the truly fundamental aspects of the cosmic foam geometry.

# The Cosmic Web

2MASS Extended Sources  
Integrated Flux



Ks: 8.0–14.0 mag  
18'/pixel

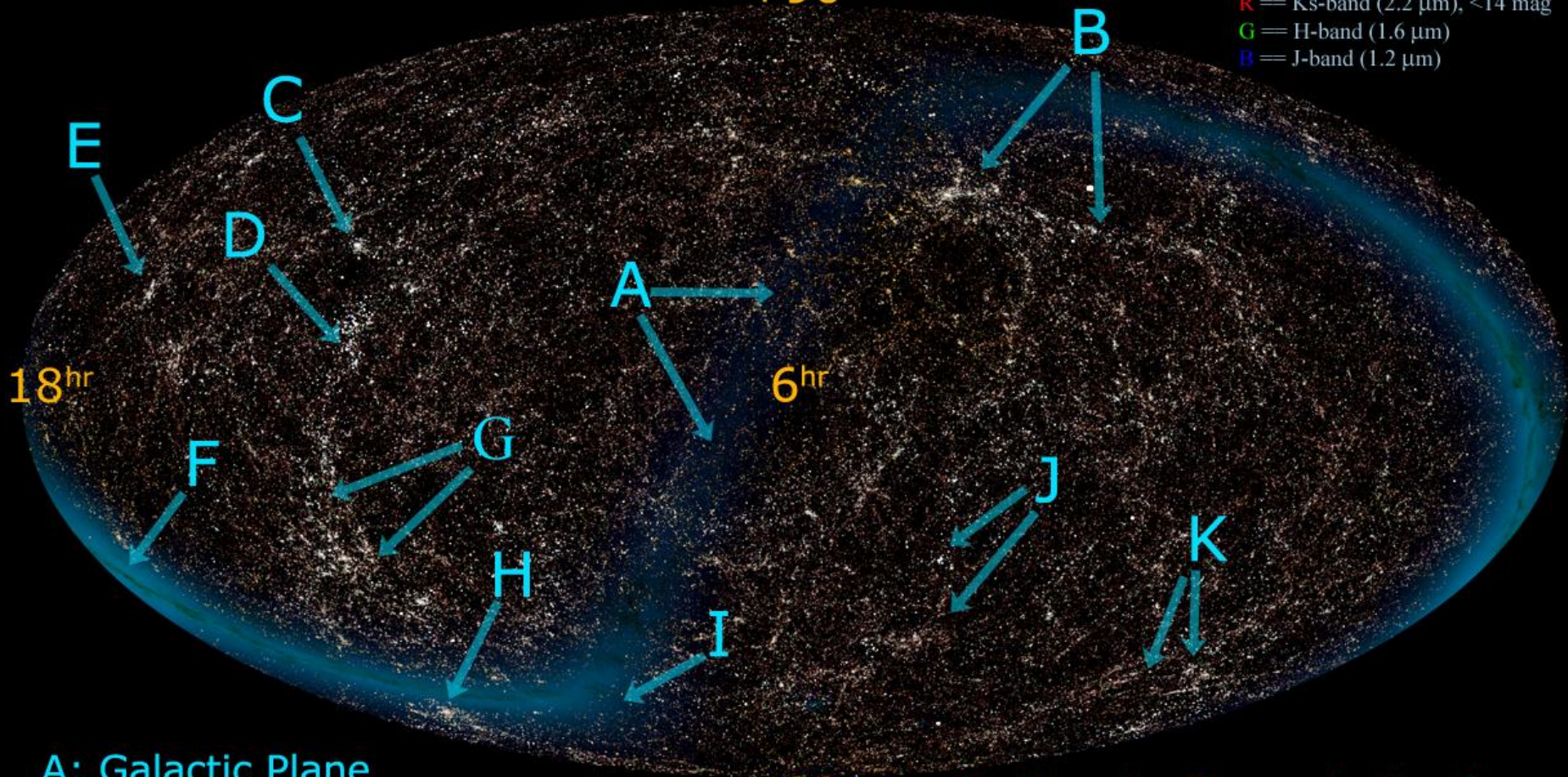
Looking around us we already see the unmistakable signatures of an intriguing foamlike matter distribution in our immediate Cosmic Vicinity.

# Identity of Local Structures along local Cosmic Web.

2MASS Local Universe

+90°

RGB Channels:  
R = Ks-band (2.2 μm), <14 mag  
G = H-band (1.6 μm)  
B = J-band (1.2 μm)



A: Galactic Plane

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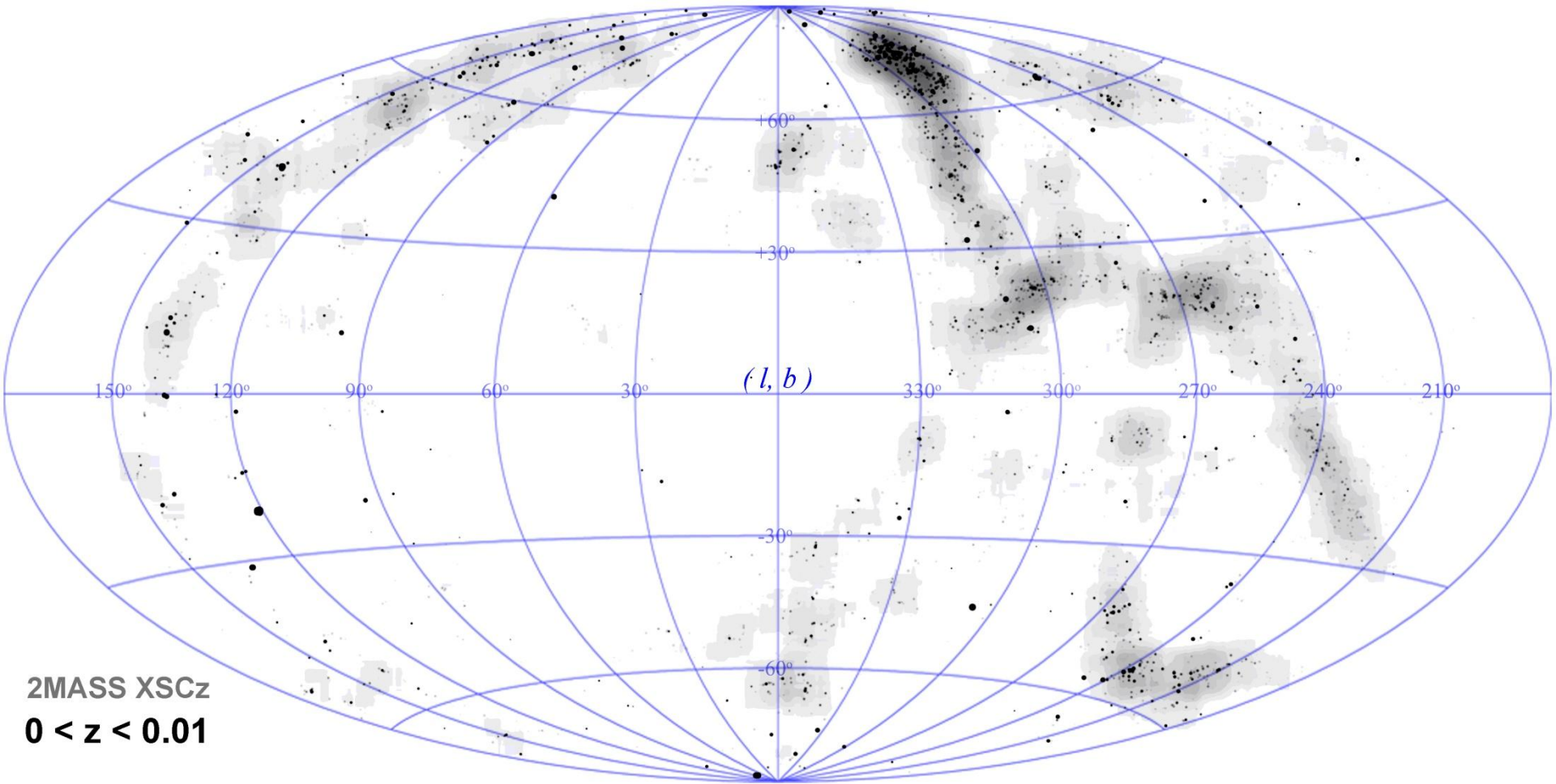
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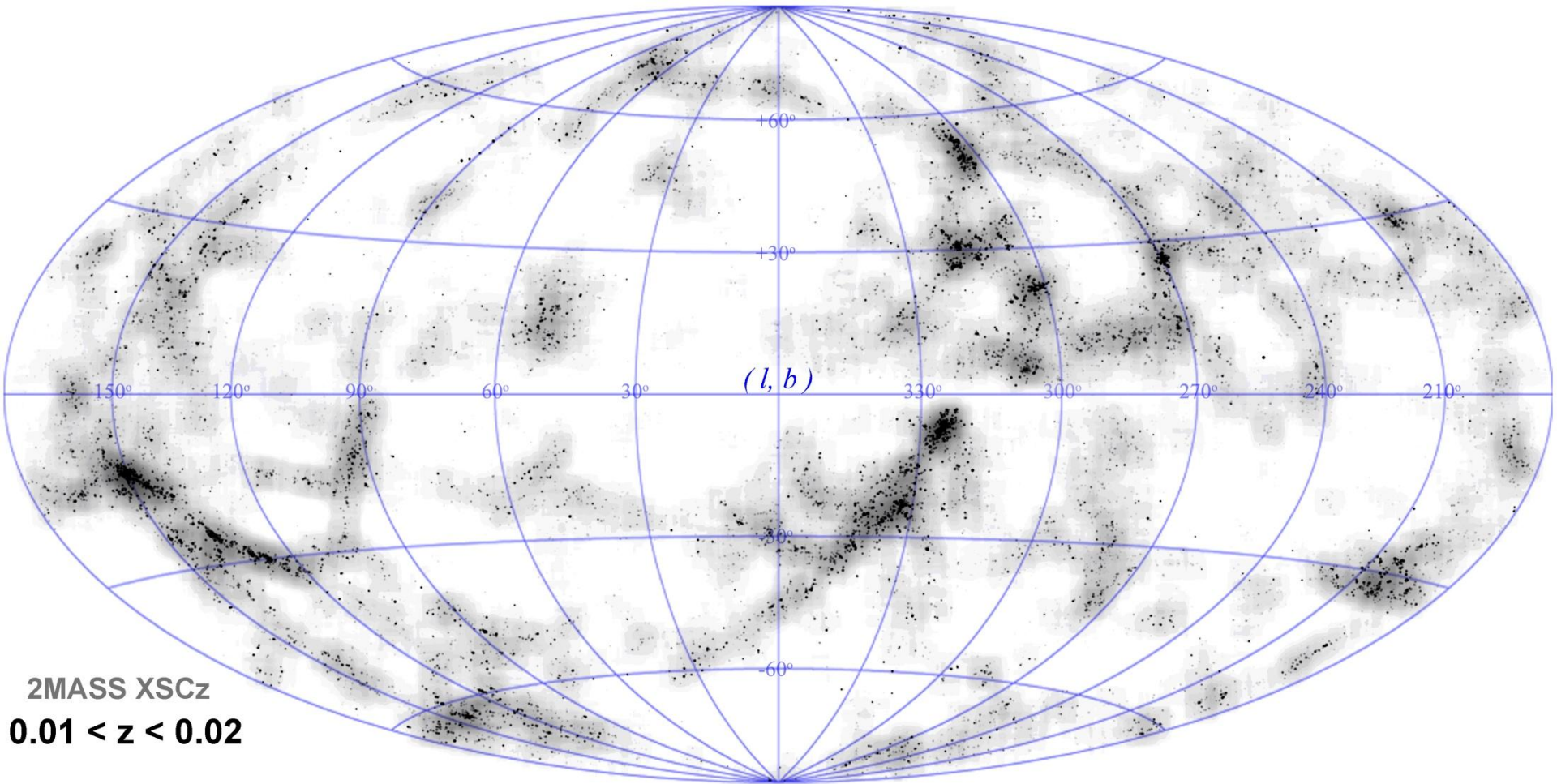
- **2MASS all-sky survey:**  
ground-based near-infrared survey whole sky,  
J( $1.2\ \mu\text{m}$ ), H( $1.6\ \mu\text{m}$ ), K( $2.2\ \mu\text{m}$ )
- **2MASS extended source catalog (XSC):**  
1.5 million galaxies
- **unbiased sample nearby galaxies**
- **photometric redshifts:**  
depth in 2MASS maps, “cosmic web” of (nearby)  
superclusters spanning the entire sky.

courtesy: T. Jarrett

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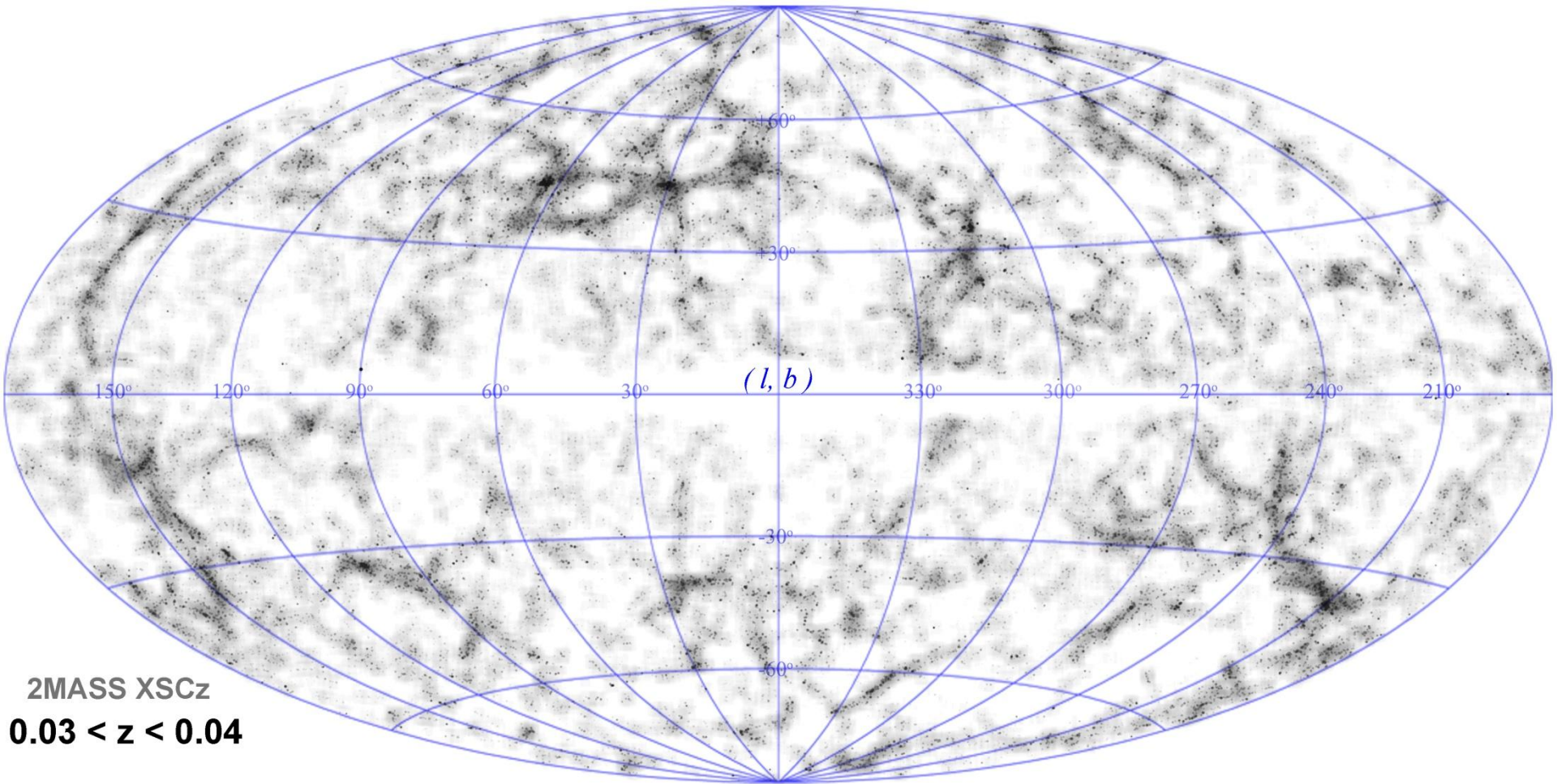


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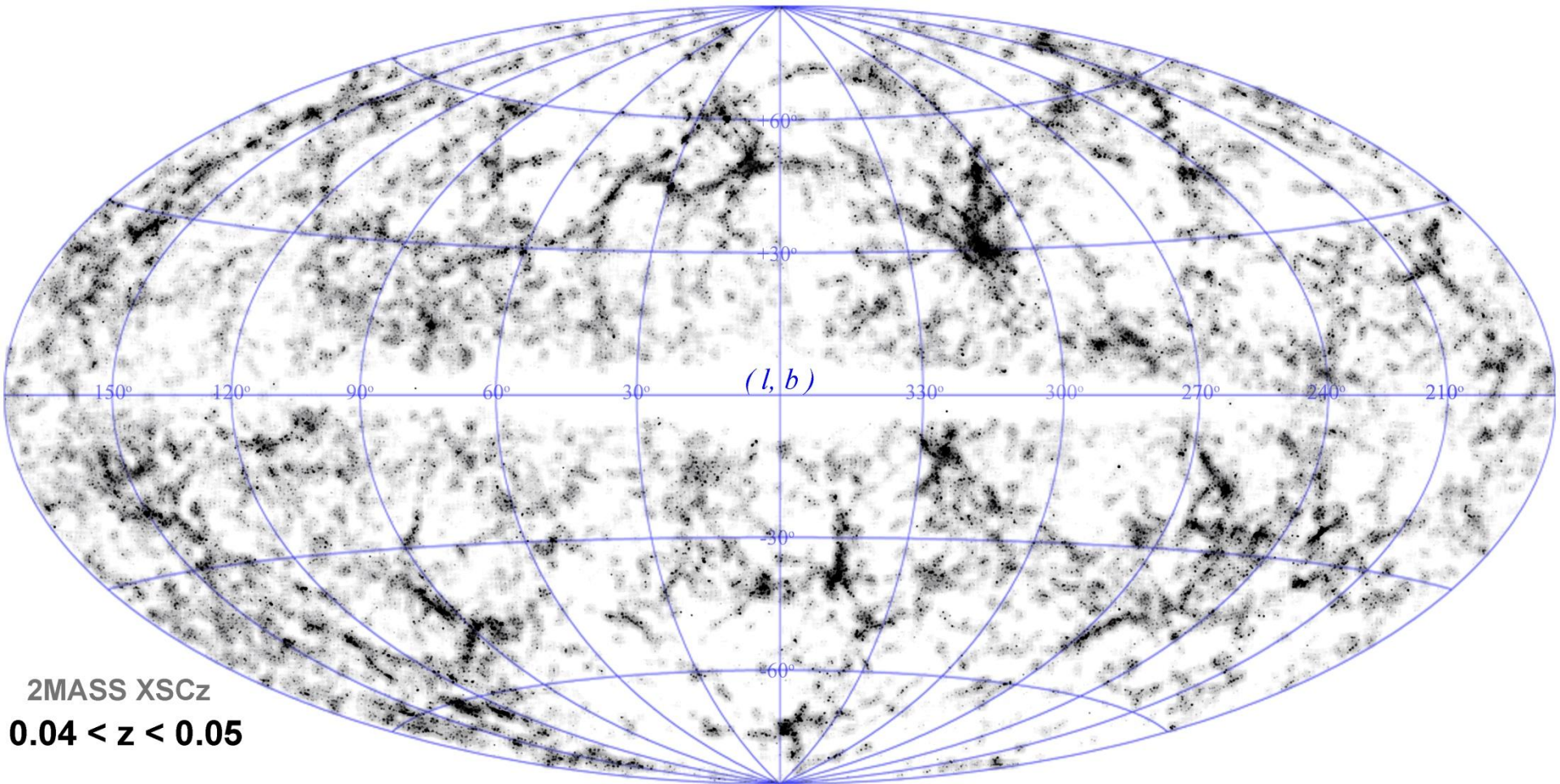
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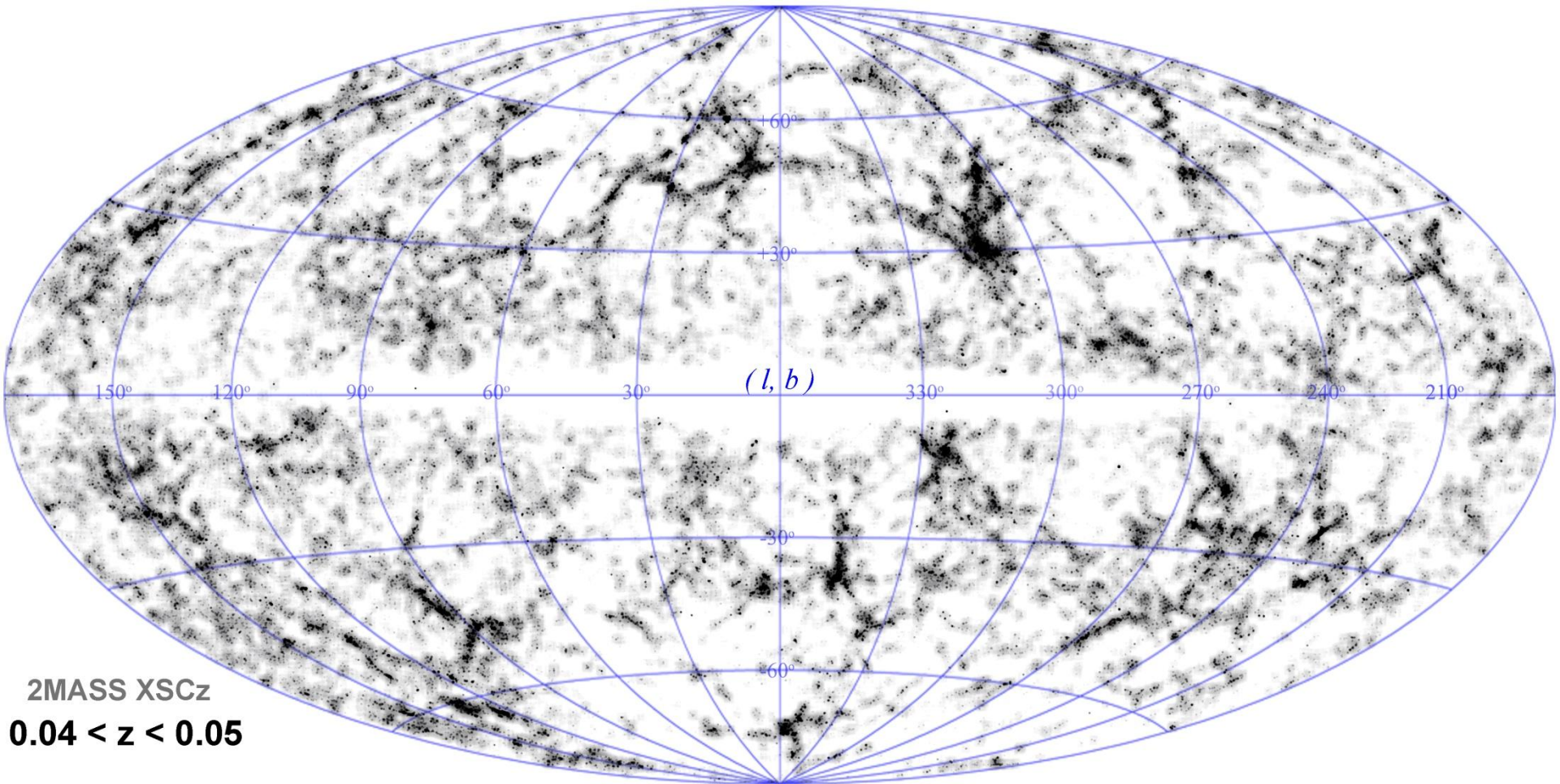
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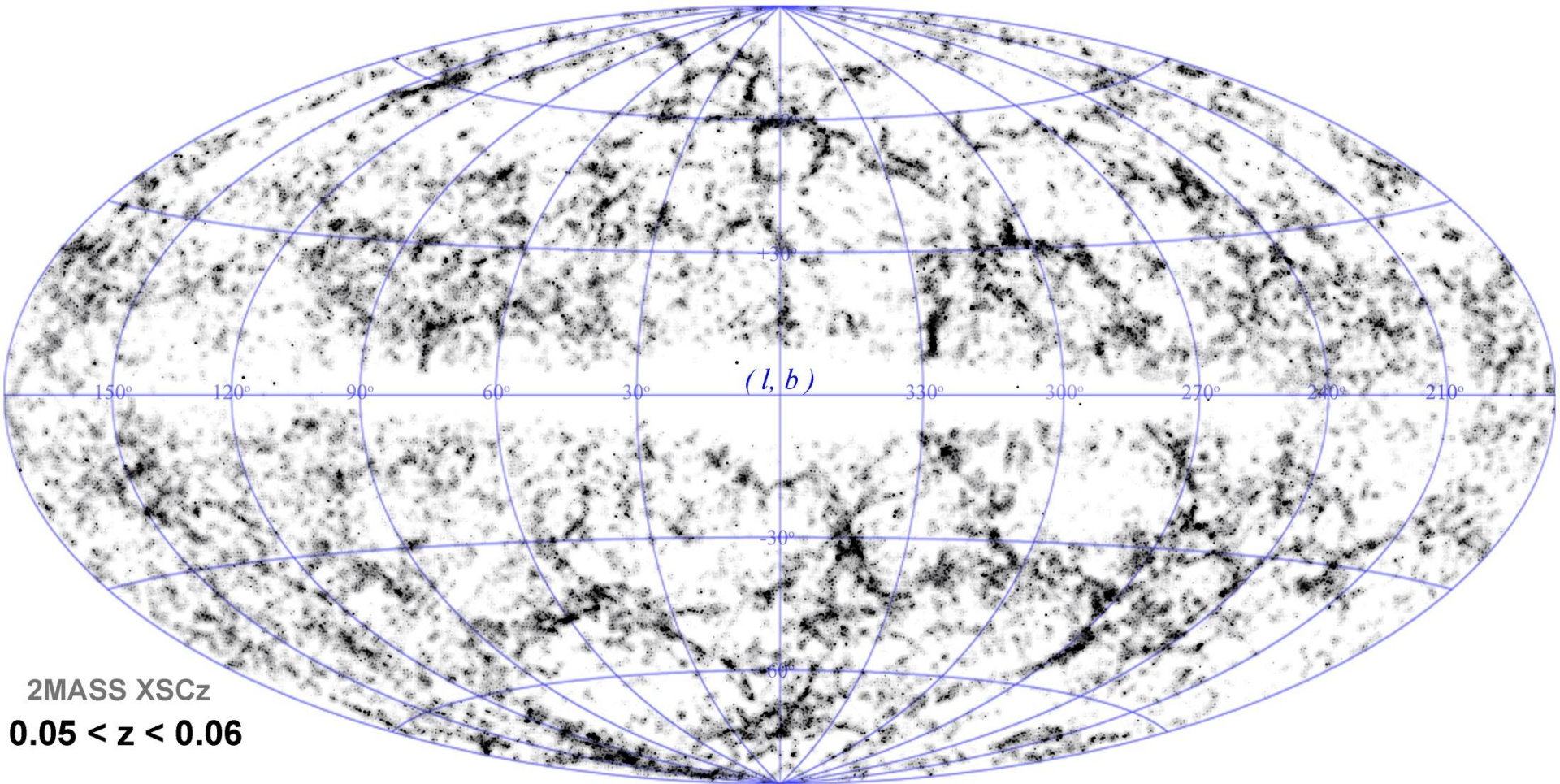
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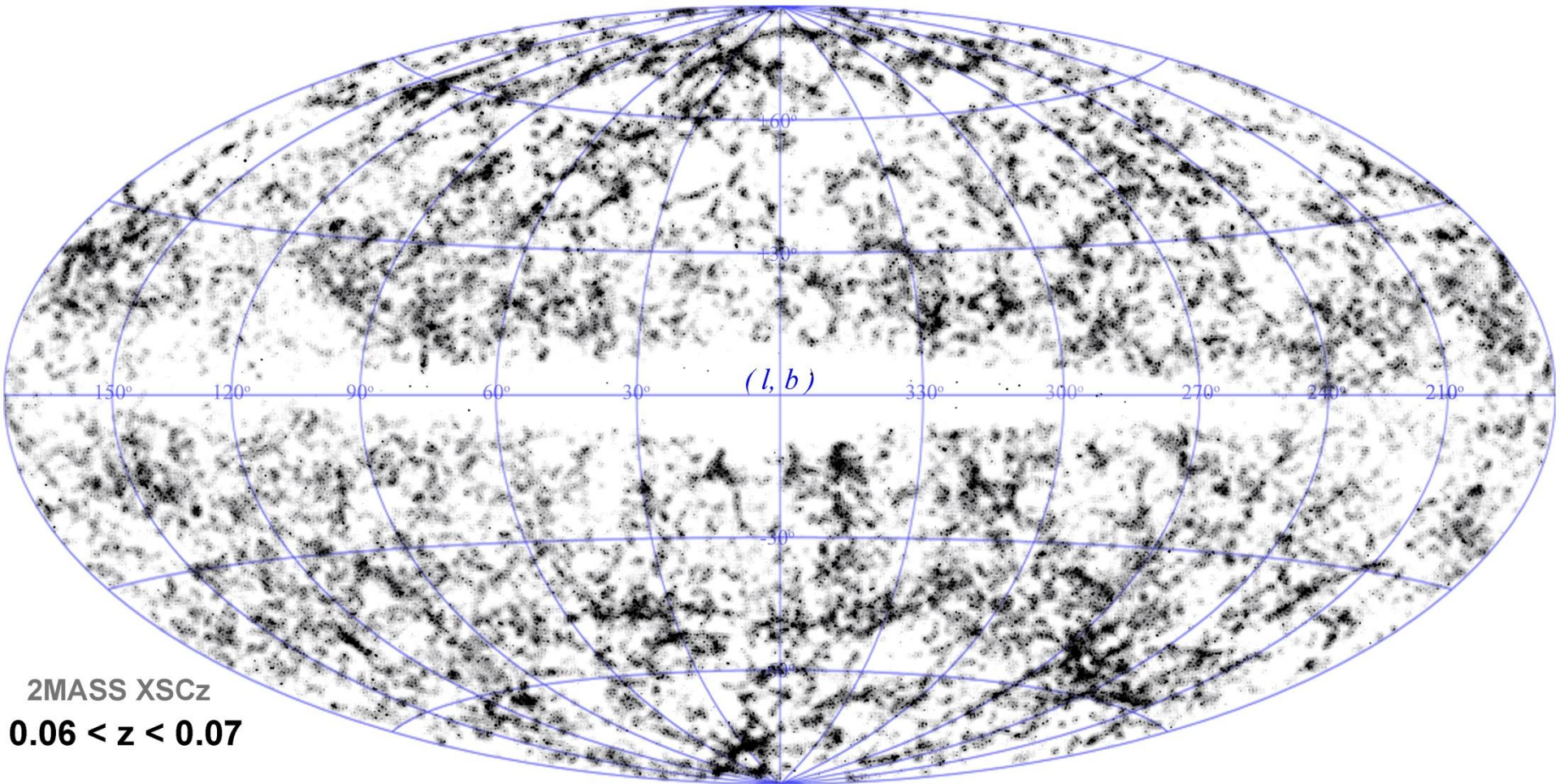
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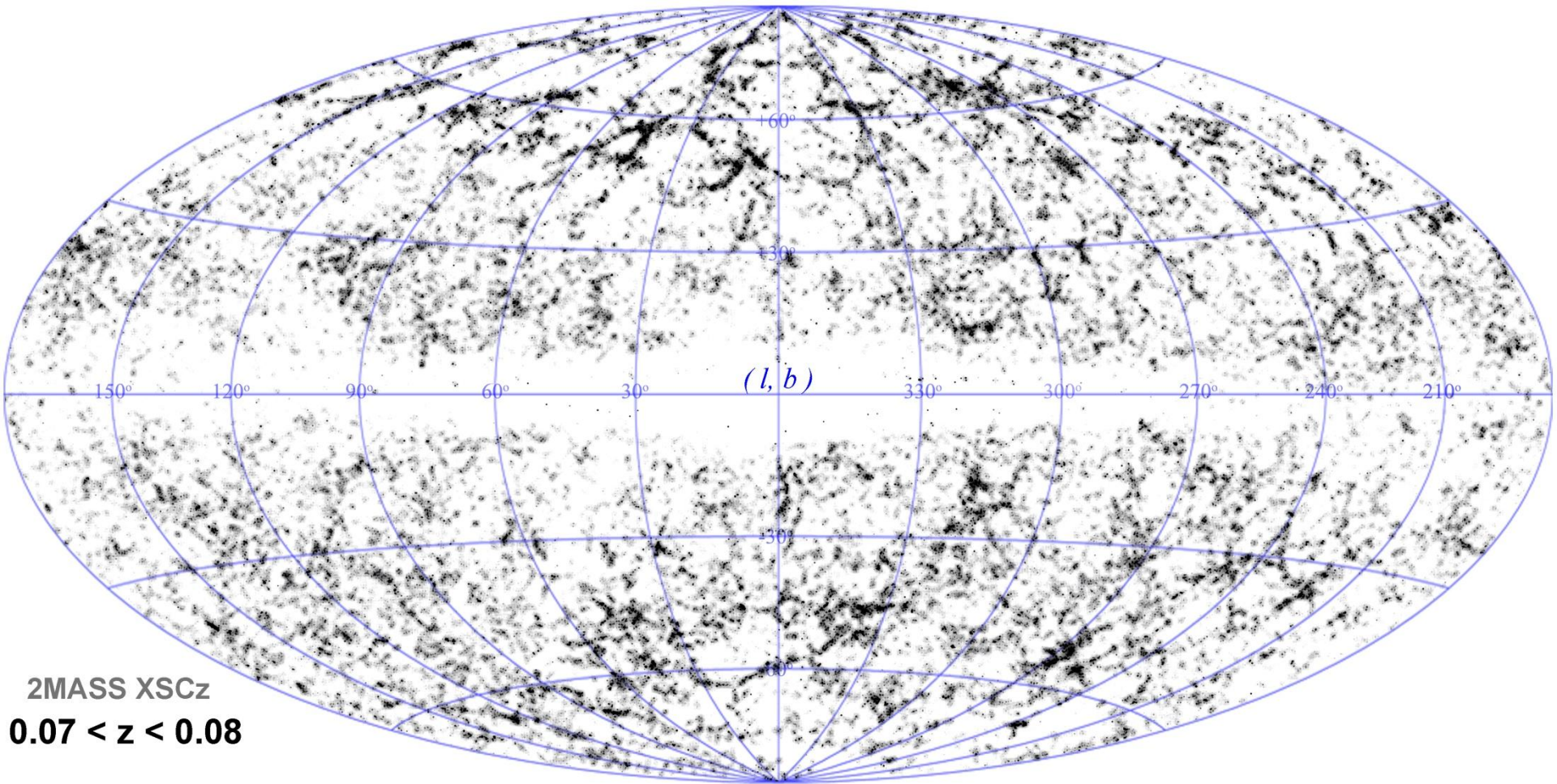
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**0.05 < z < 0.06**

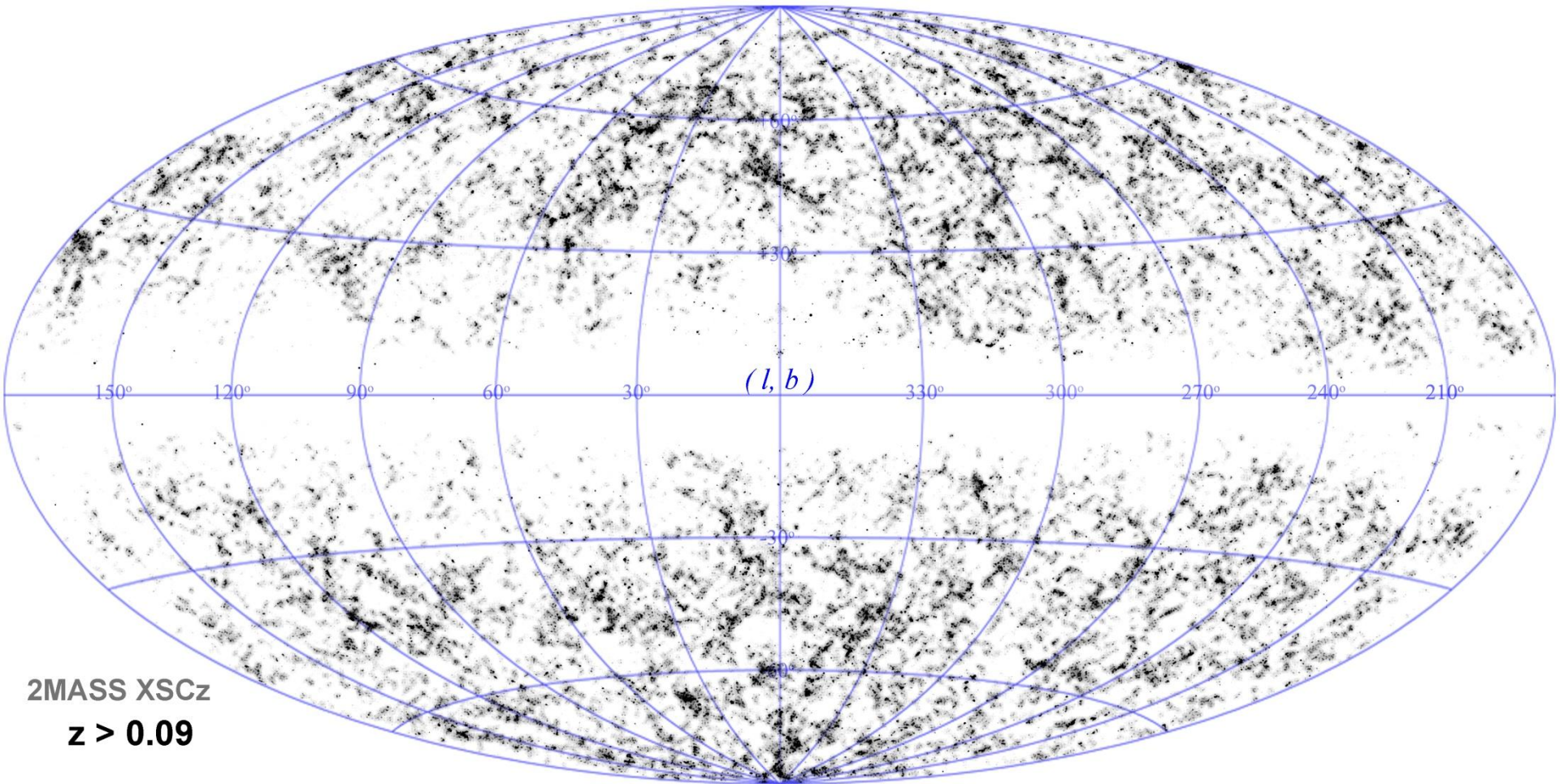
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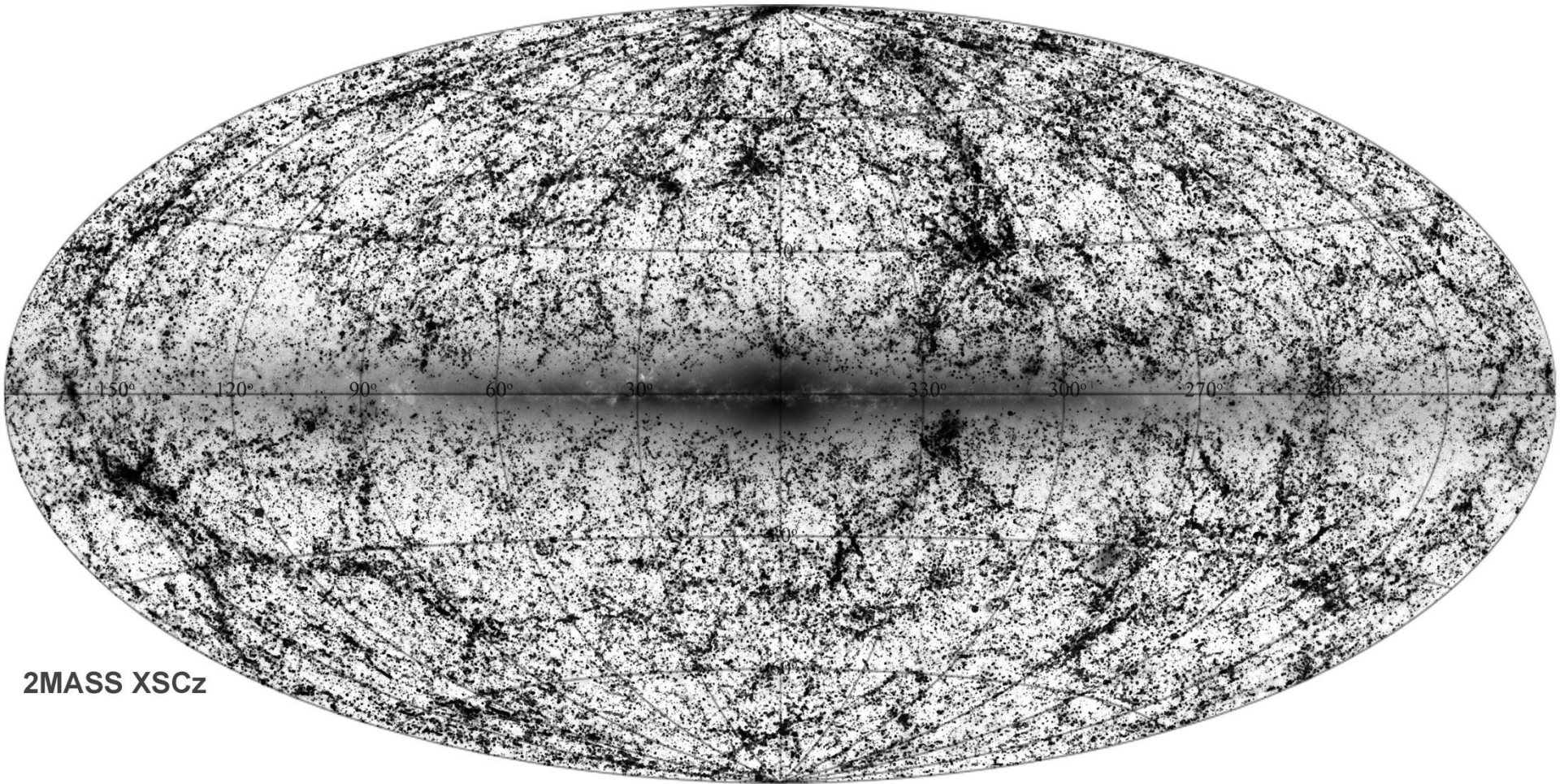
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2MASS XSCz





**SDSS**  
**Galaxy**  
**Redshift Survey**

# SDSS survey

- Largest and most systematic (digital !) sky survey in history of astronomy.
- Images sky in 5 photometric bands !!!!  
Down to apparent magnitude  $r \sim 23.1$
- Covers  $\sim 25\%$  of the sky: 8452 sq. deg.
- With 2dFGRS, the SDSS will produce the most extensive map of the spatial structure of our cosmic neighbourhood.
- Million galaxies subsequently selected for measuring redshift  $z$ :  
electromagnetic spectrum
- Total:
  - sky survey:  $10^8$  stars,  $10^8$  galaxies,  $10^5$  quasars
  - spectroscopy:  $10^6$  galaxies,  $10^5$  quasars,  $10^5$  stars

# SDSS survey

- Imaging:  
230 million objects

- Spectroscopic (Redshift) survey:

magnitude limit:

galaxies: (Petrosian)  $r < 17.7$

quasars  $i < 19.1 / i < 20.2$  ( $z > 2.3$ )

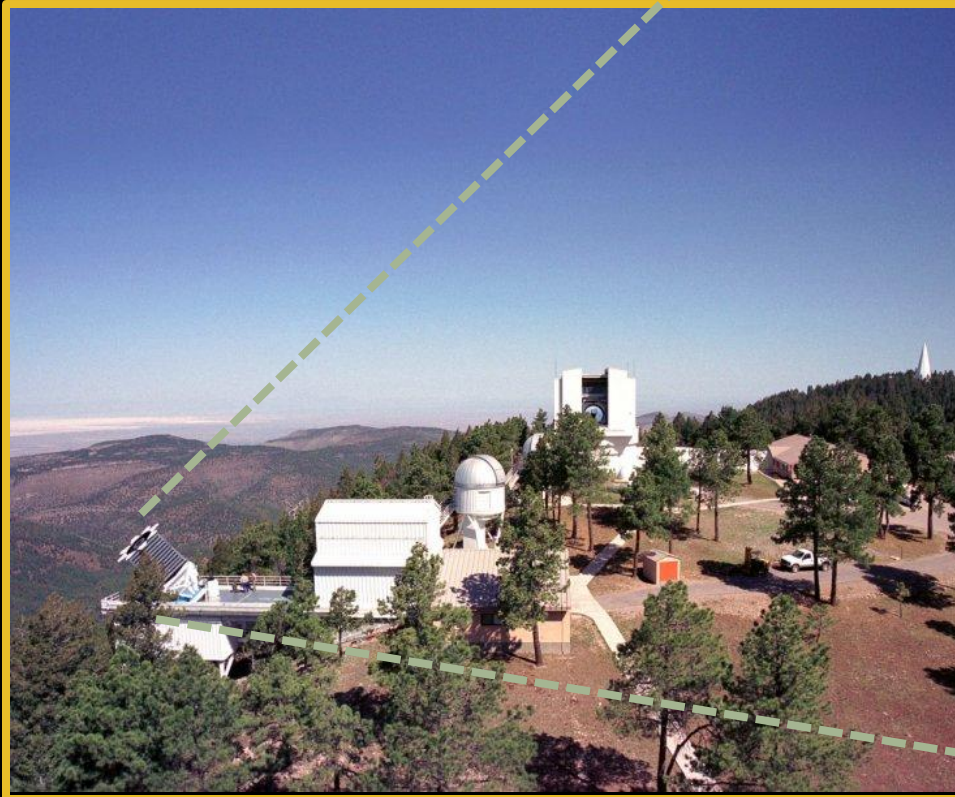
objects:

- 928,567 galaxies
- 109,862 quasars  $z < 2.3$
- 8,802 quasars  $z > 2.3$



# SDSS survey

Specially dedicated  
2.5m wide-angle telescope  
Apache Point Observatory (New Mexico)



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Aims to sample 25% of the sky:  
DR7 - 8423 sq. deg.

Photometric system 5 filters:

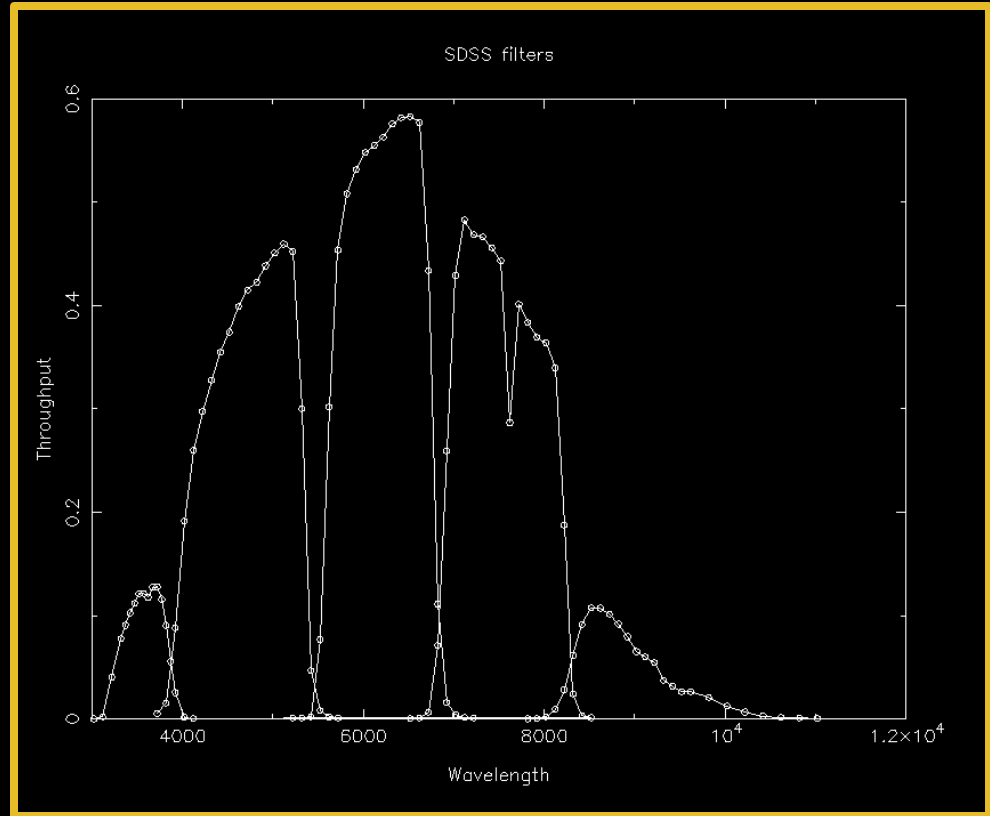
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Driftscan mode

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- 30 CCD chips, 5 rows of 6
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Spectroscopy

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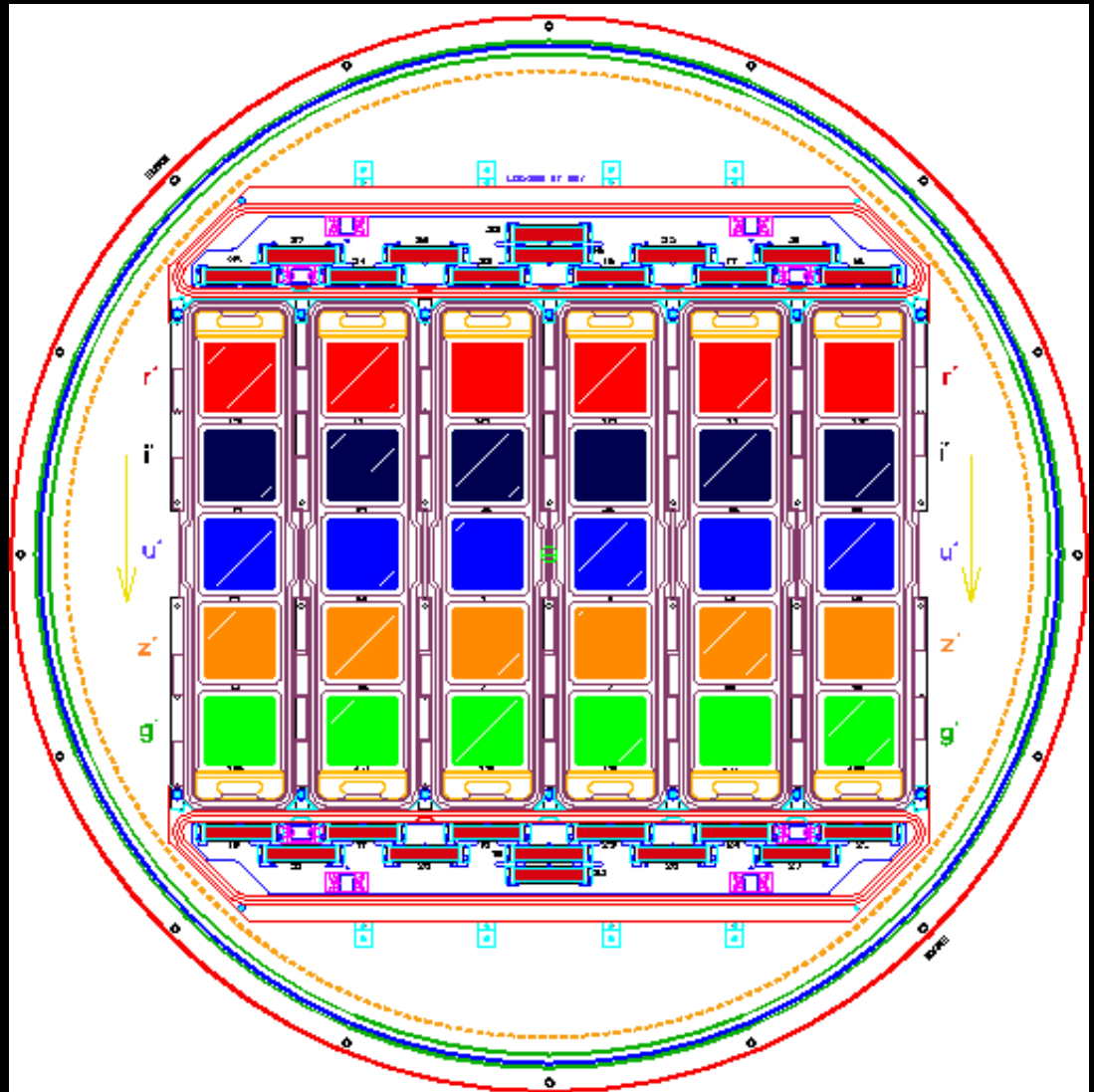
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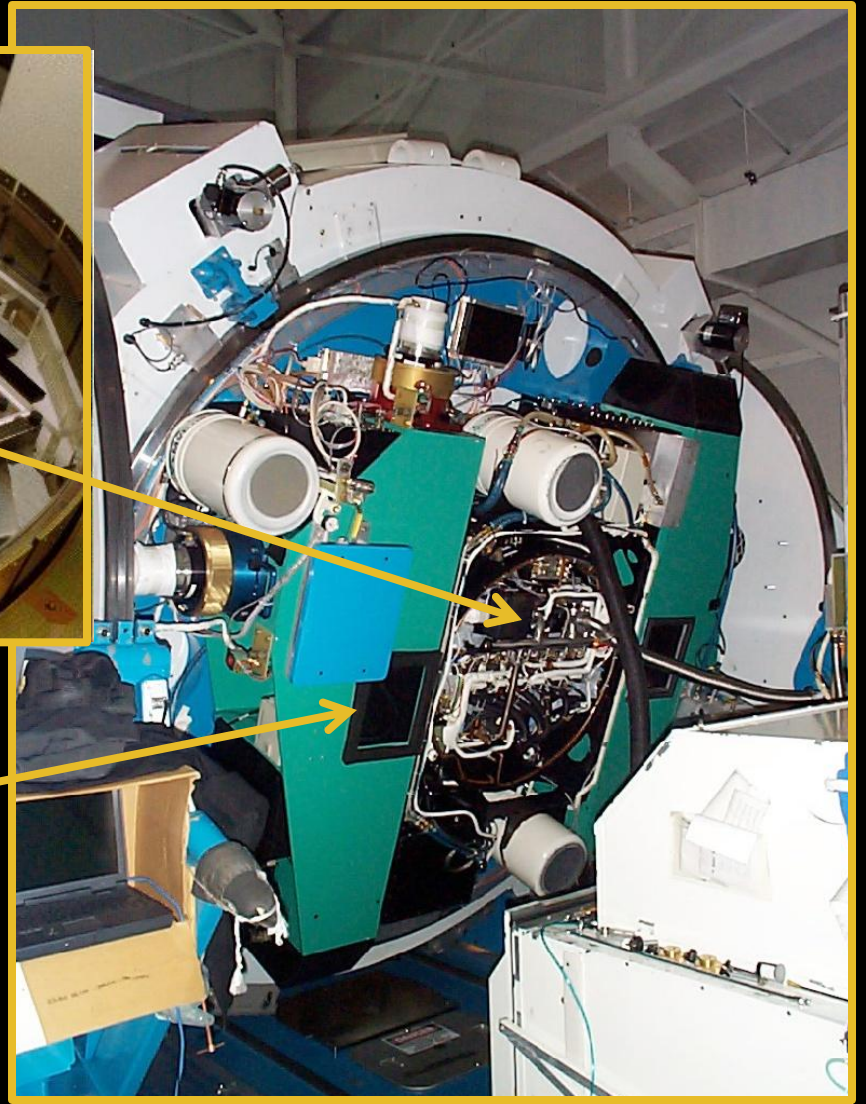
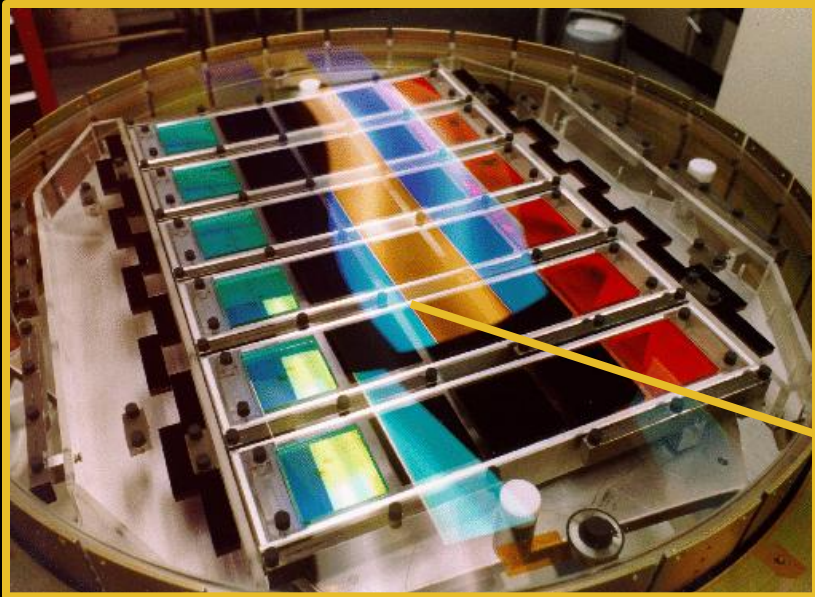
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5-color  
Camera

30 CCD  
chips

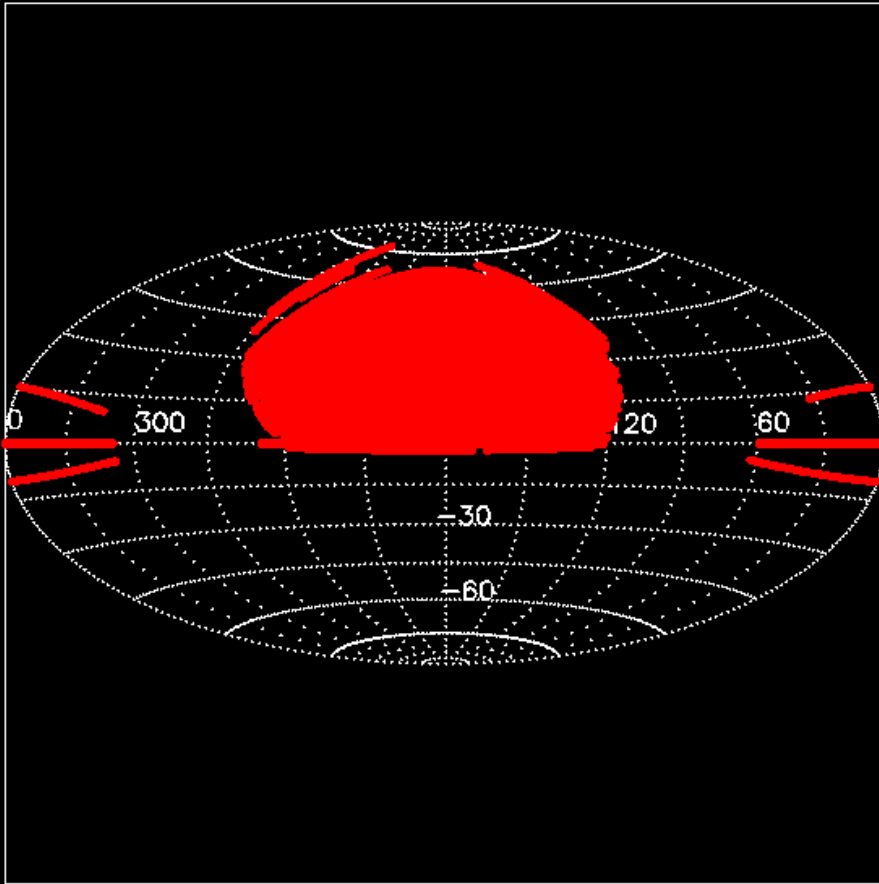


Fiber  
Spectrograph

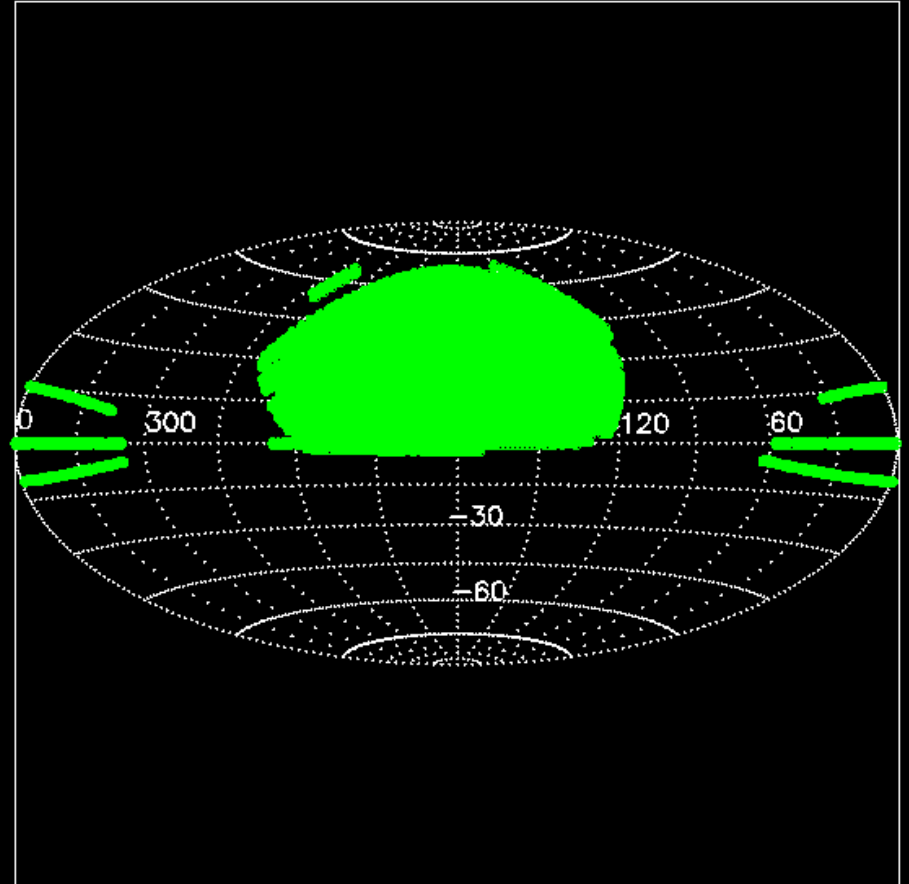


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SDSS Data Release 7 (2008):



SDSS Legacy Imaging Sky Coverage:  
8423 sq. deg.

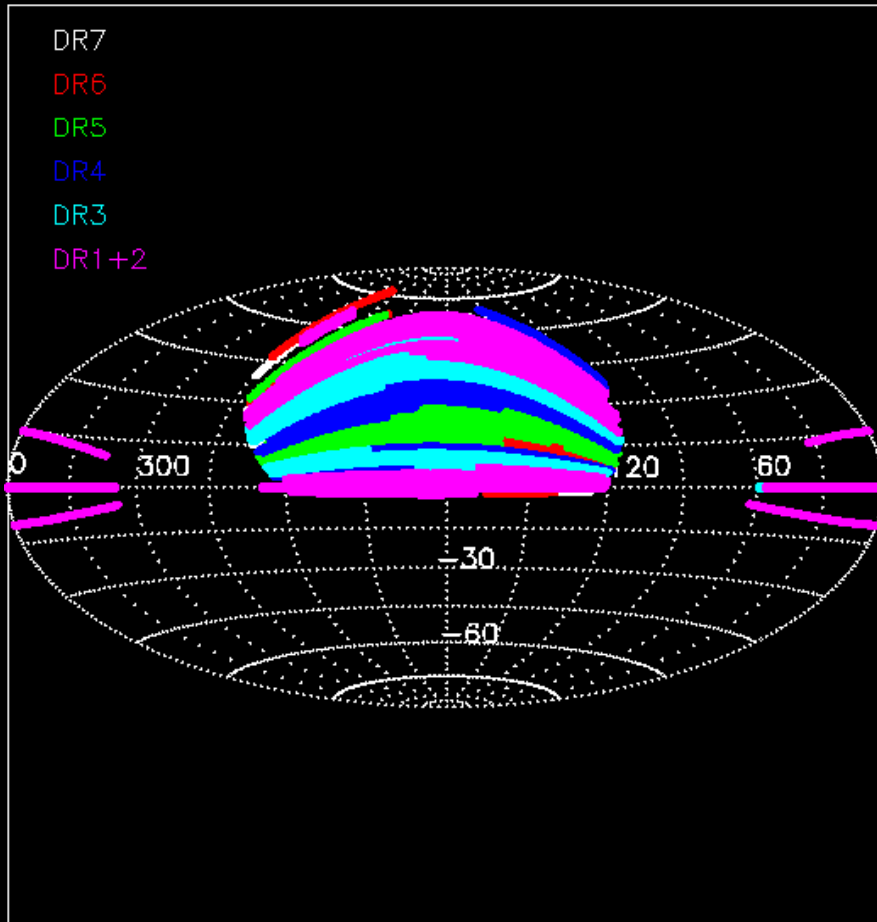


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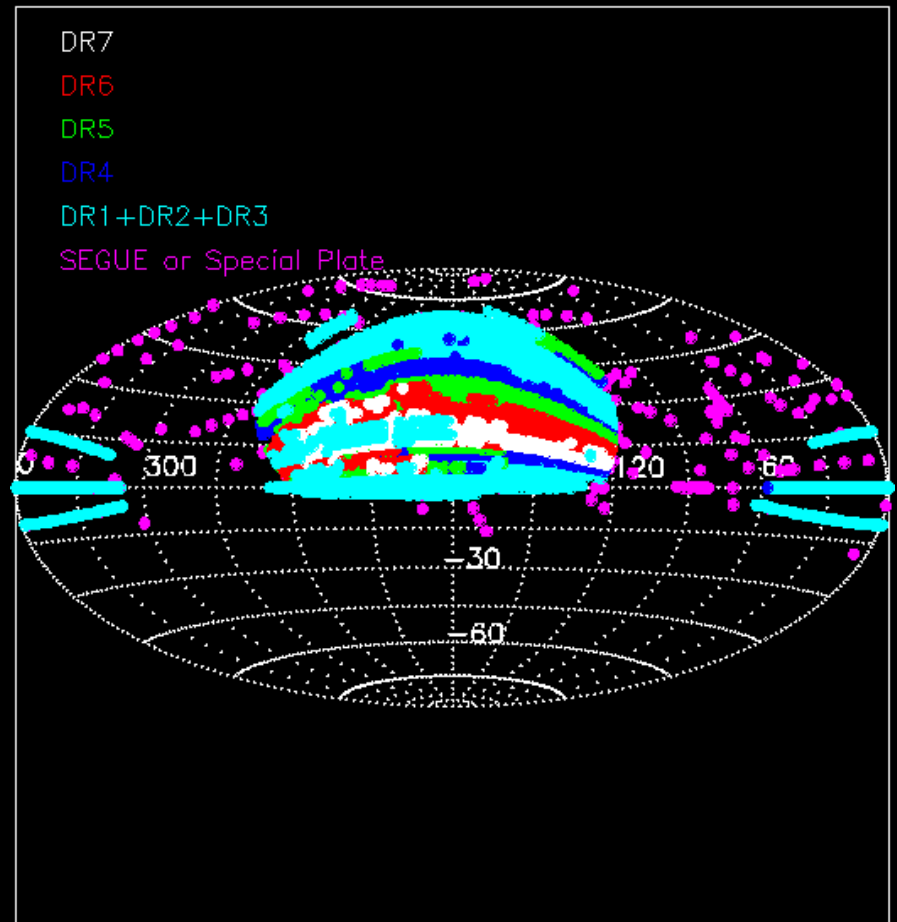


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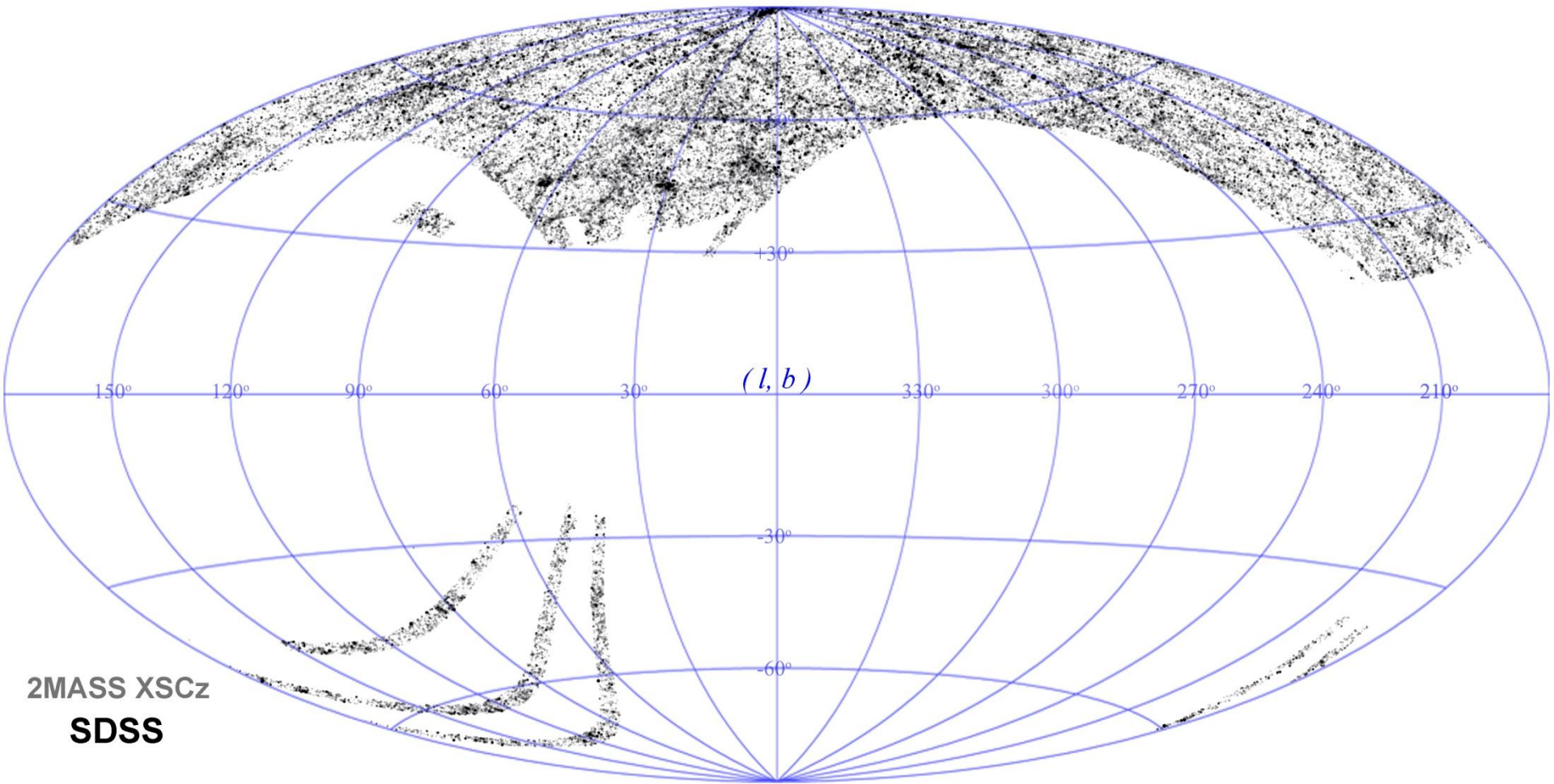


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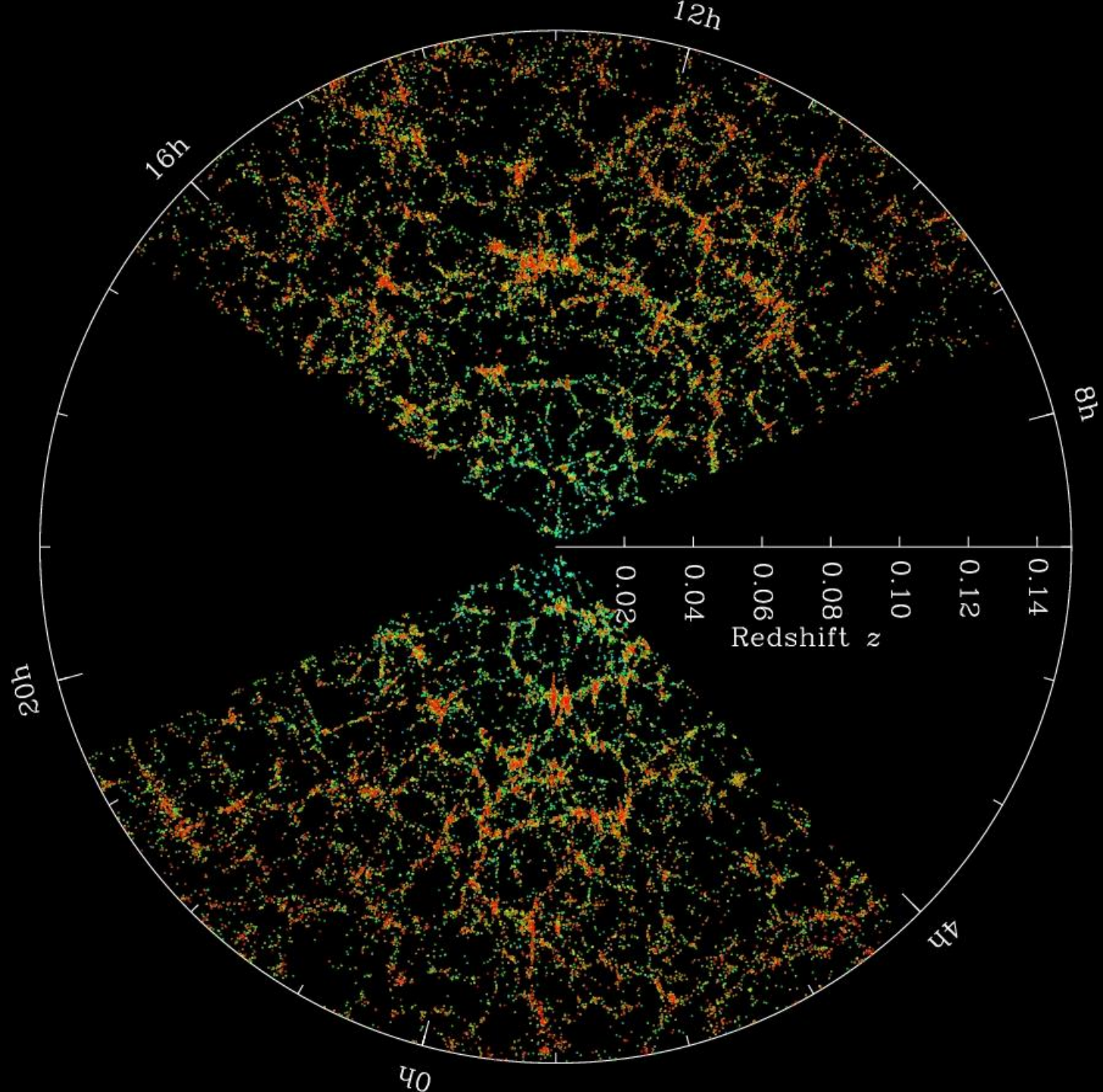


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# SDSS Galactic region



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VOID_05 J130526.08+544551.9	VOID_06 J132232.48+544905.5	VOID_07 J132718.56+593010.2	VOID_08 J135113.62+453509.2	VOID_09 J135535.48+593041.3
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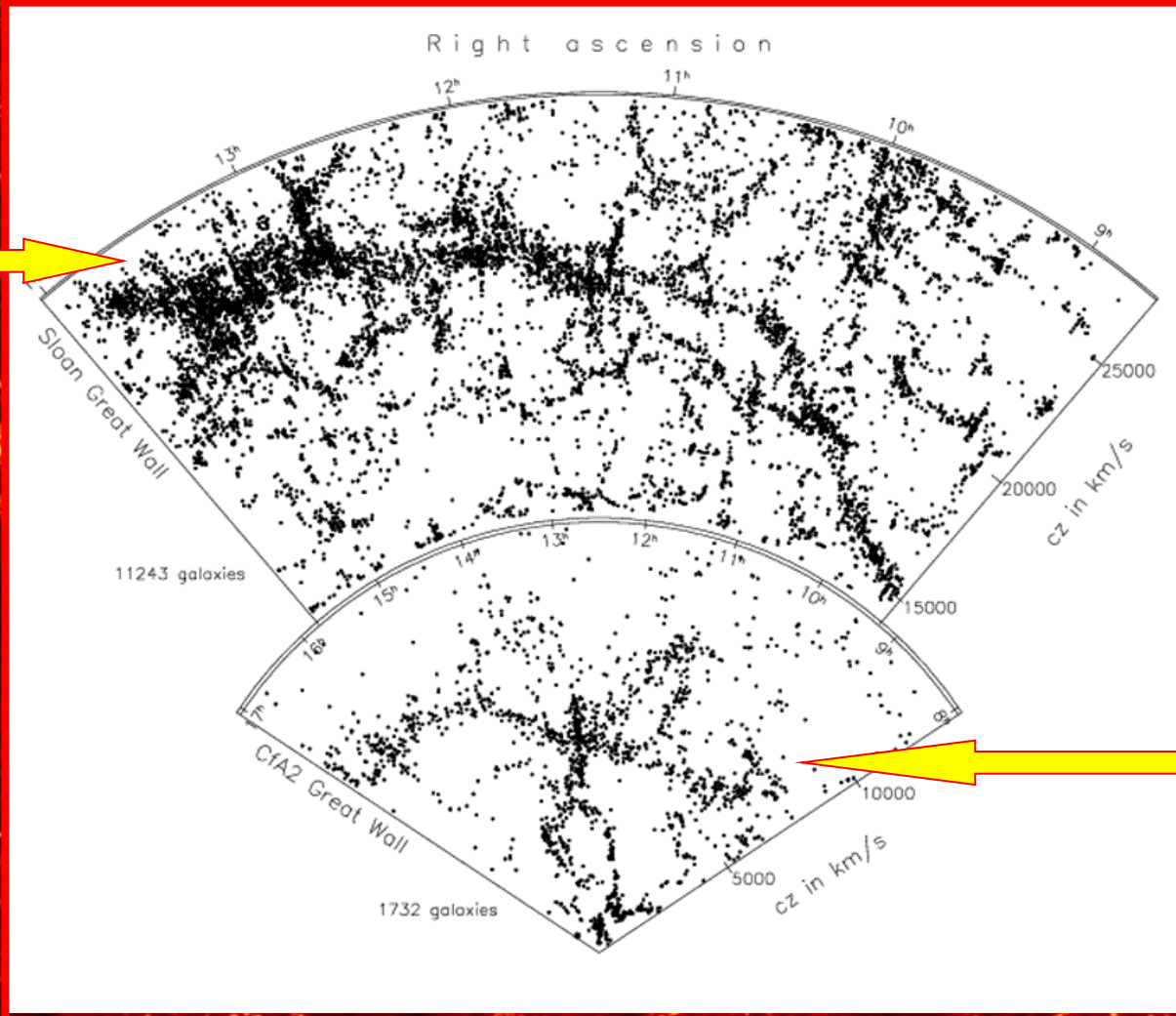
# SDSS Cosmic Web Movie

the Cosmic Web:

Filaments, Walls  
& Cluster Nodes

# Walls, Filaments & Nodes

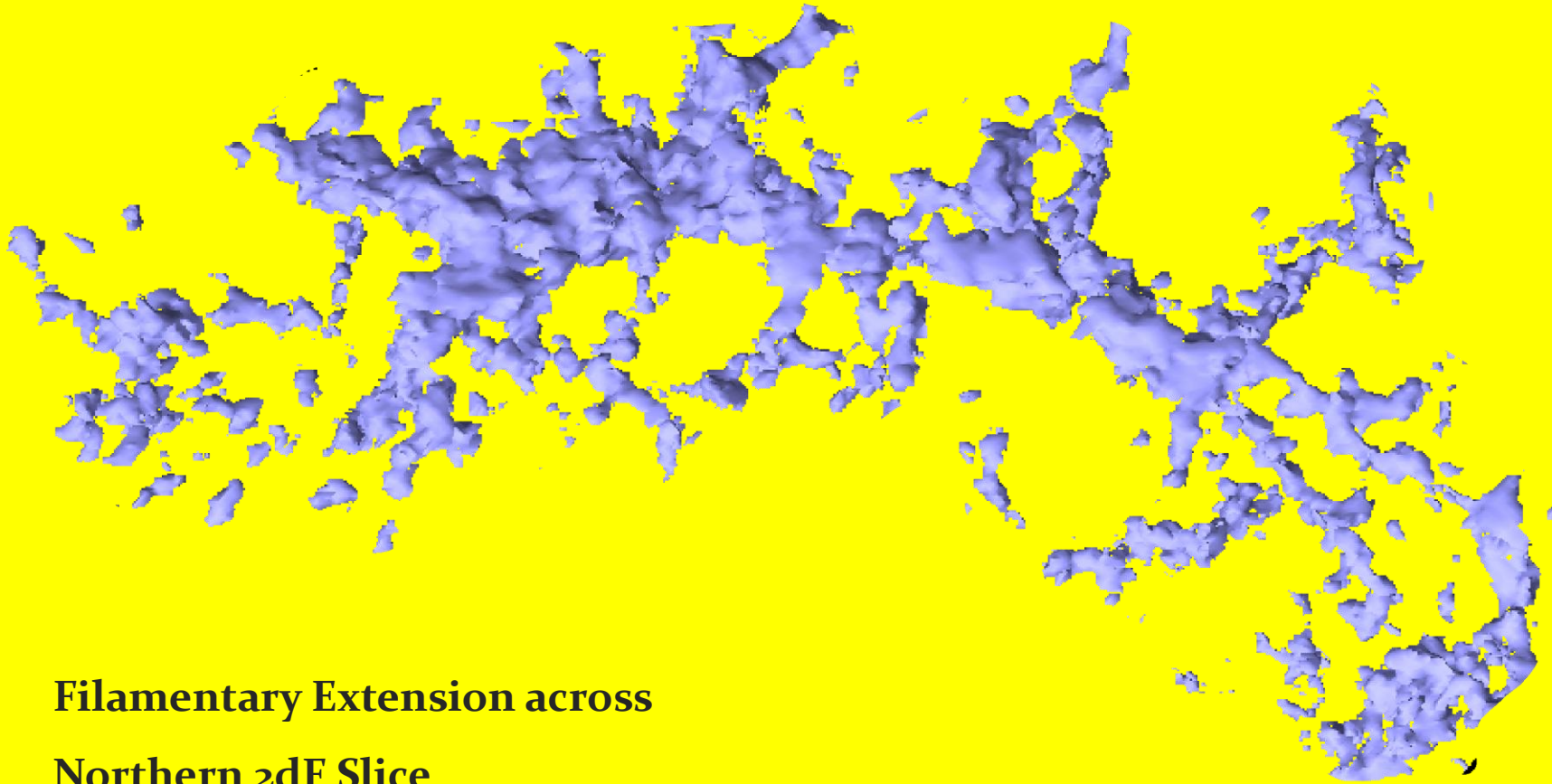
Sloan Great Wall



The ``Great Wall''

(Geller & Huchra  
1989)

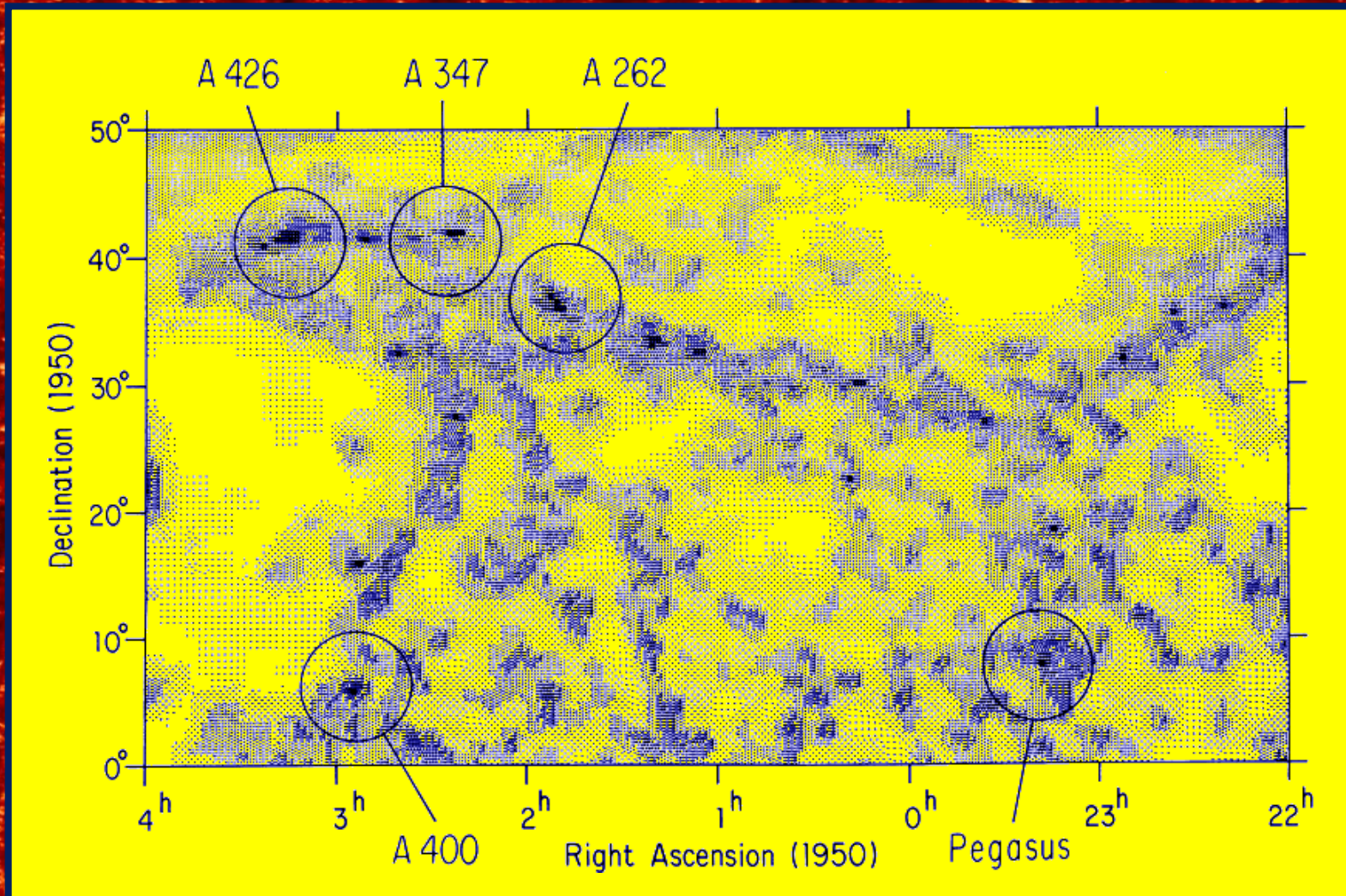
# Walls, Filaments & Nodes



**Filamentary Extension across  
Northern 2dF Slice**



# Pisces-Perseus Chain



21 cm line redshift survey,  
Giovanelli & Haynes

# Pisces-Perseus Chain

Canonic example of a strongly flattened supercluster consisting of

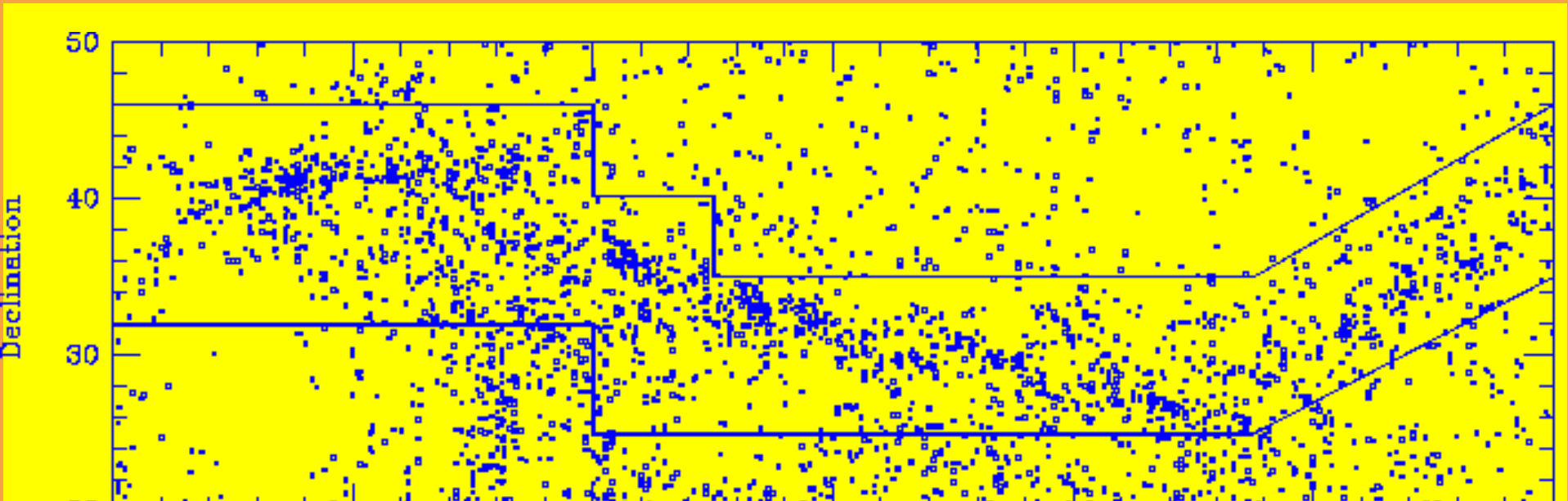
- **sheet-like central region**, dense **filamentary boundary ridge**
- Relative proximity ( $d \sim 55h^{-1}$  Mpc),
- Characteristic & salient filamentary morphology,
- Favourable orientation.

Northern boundary: ridge south-westward of Perseus cluster (A426)

Dimensions Ridge:  $5h^{-1}$  Mpc wide

$50h^{-1}$  Mpc length; possible  $140h^{-1}$  Mpc extension

Along Ridge: high density clusters, incl. A462, A347, A262

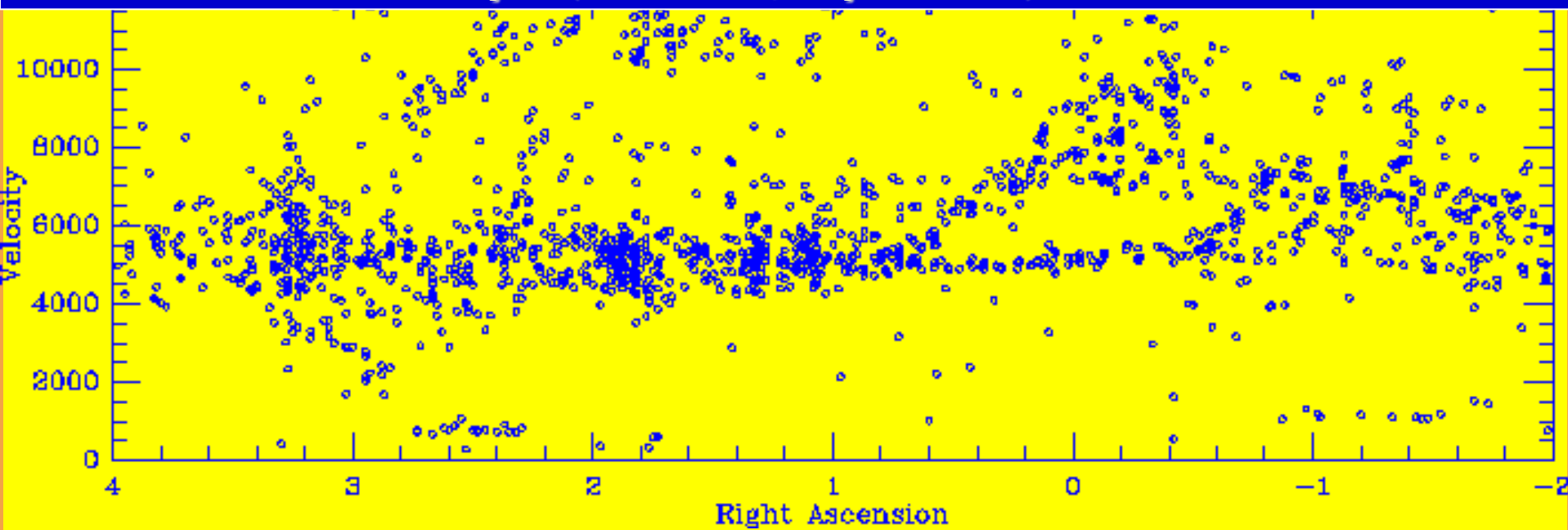


## Pisces-Perseus Chain

21 cm line redshift survey (Giovanelli, Haynes et al.)



Redshift ↓



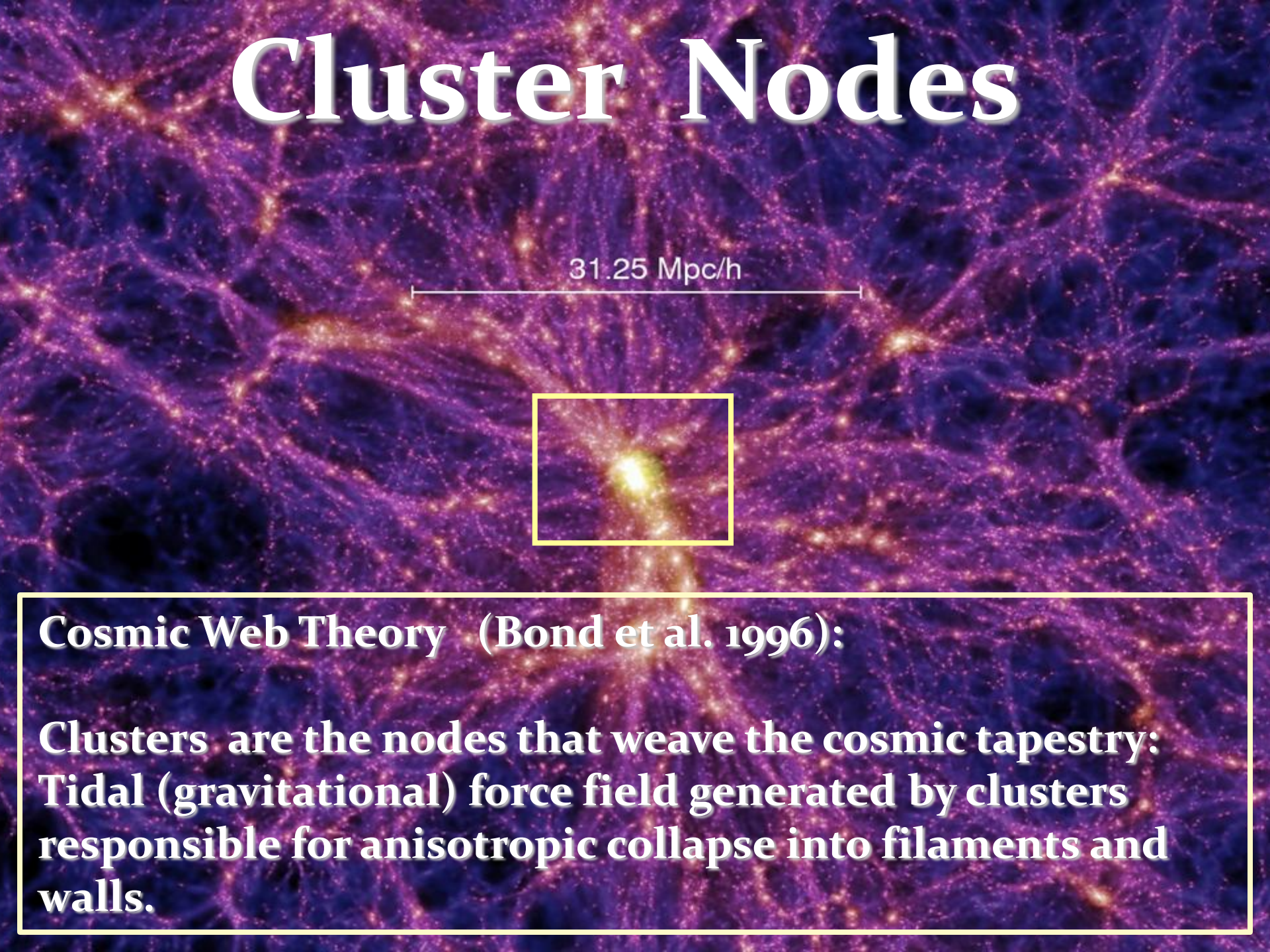
# Cluster Nodes

31.25 Mpc/h



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The image displays a complex, interconnected network of filaments and nodes, representing the Cosmic Web. The filaments are depicted as thin, purple and blue lines, while the nodes are represented by bright, yellow and orange clusters of galaxies. A scale bar at the top center indicates a distance of 31.25 Mpc/h. A yellow box highlights a central cluster node, showing a dense concentration of galaxies.

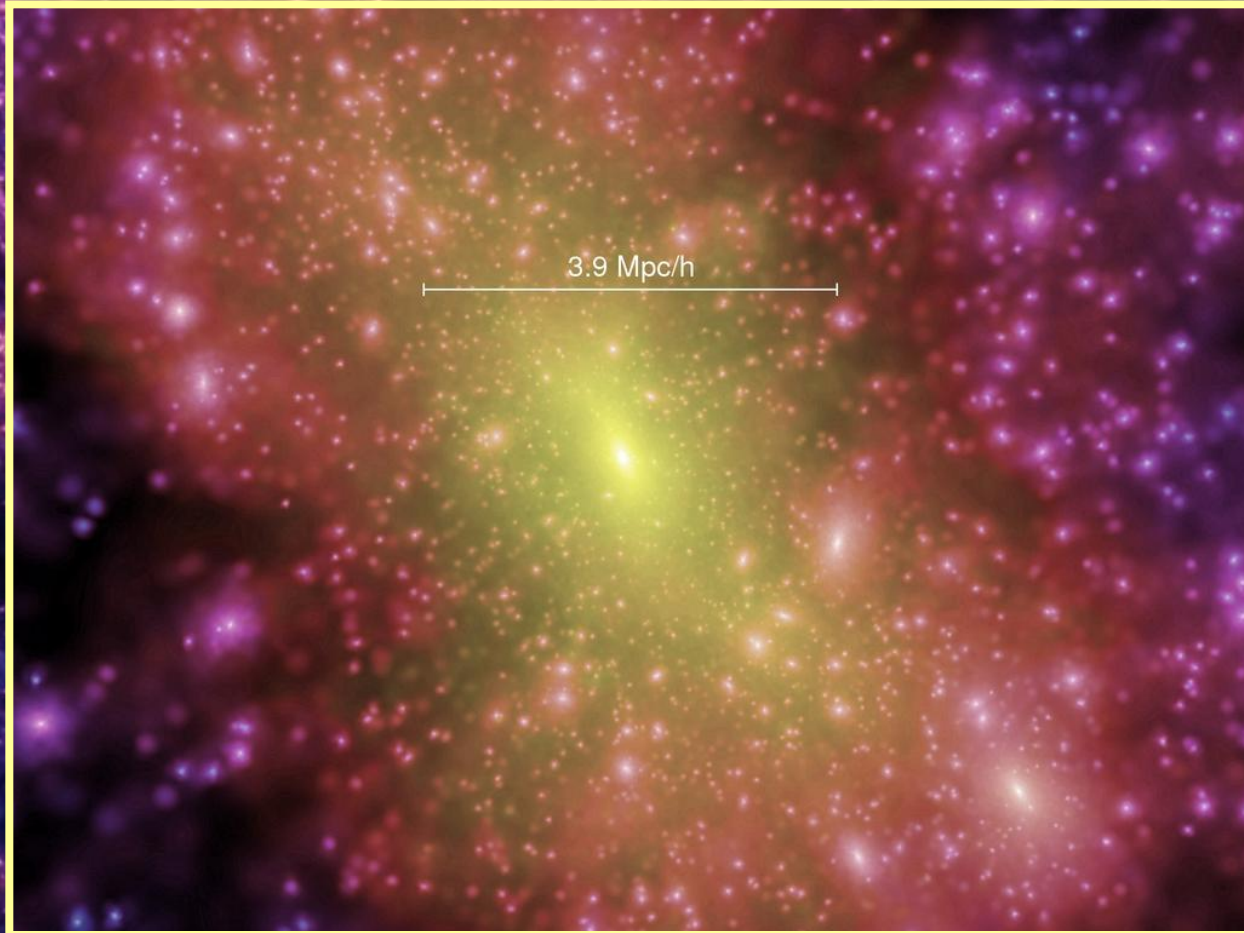
**Cosmic Web Theory (Bond et al. 1996):**

**Clusters are the nodes that weave the cosmic tapestry: Tidal (gravitational) force field generated by clusters responsible for anisotropic collapse into filaments and walls.**

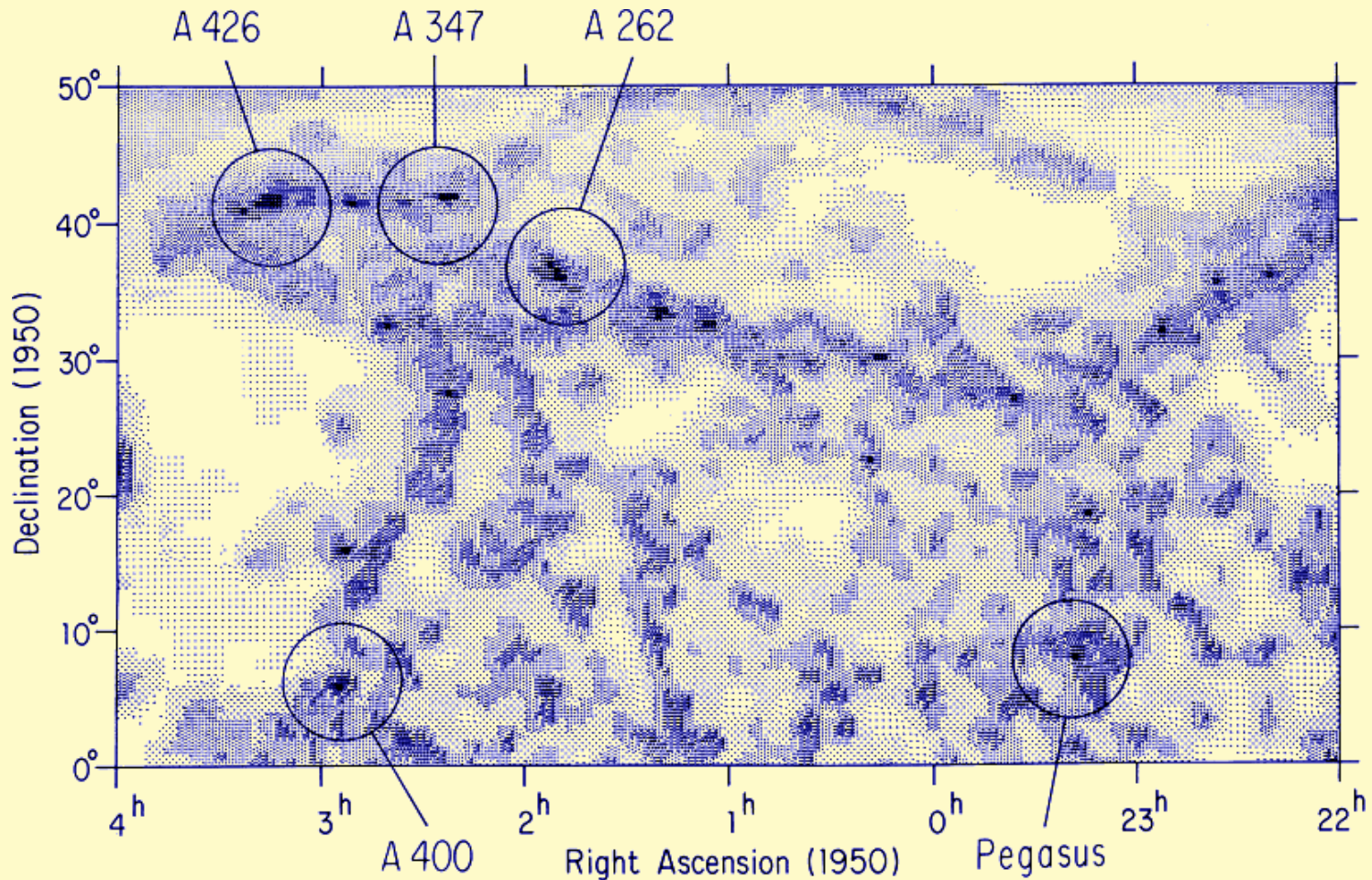
# Cluster Nodes



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# Cluster Nodes & the Web

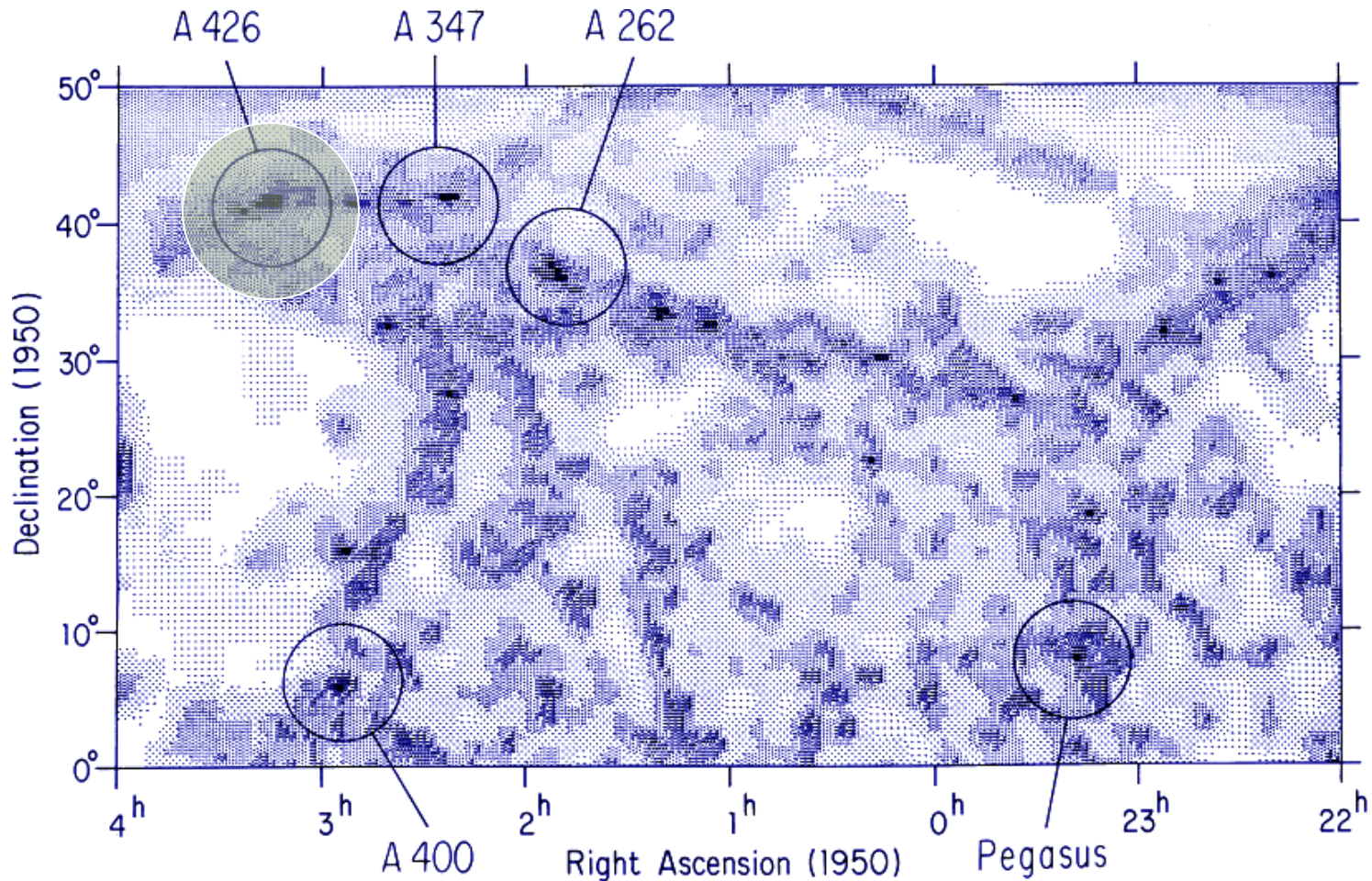


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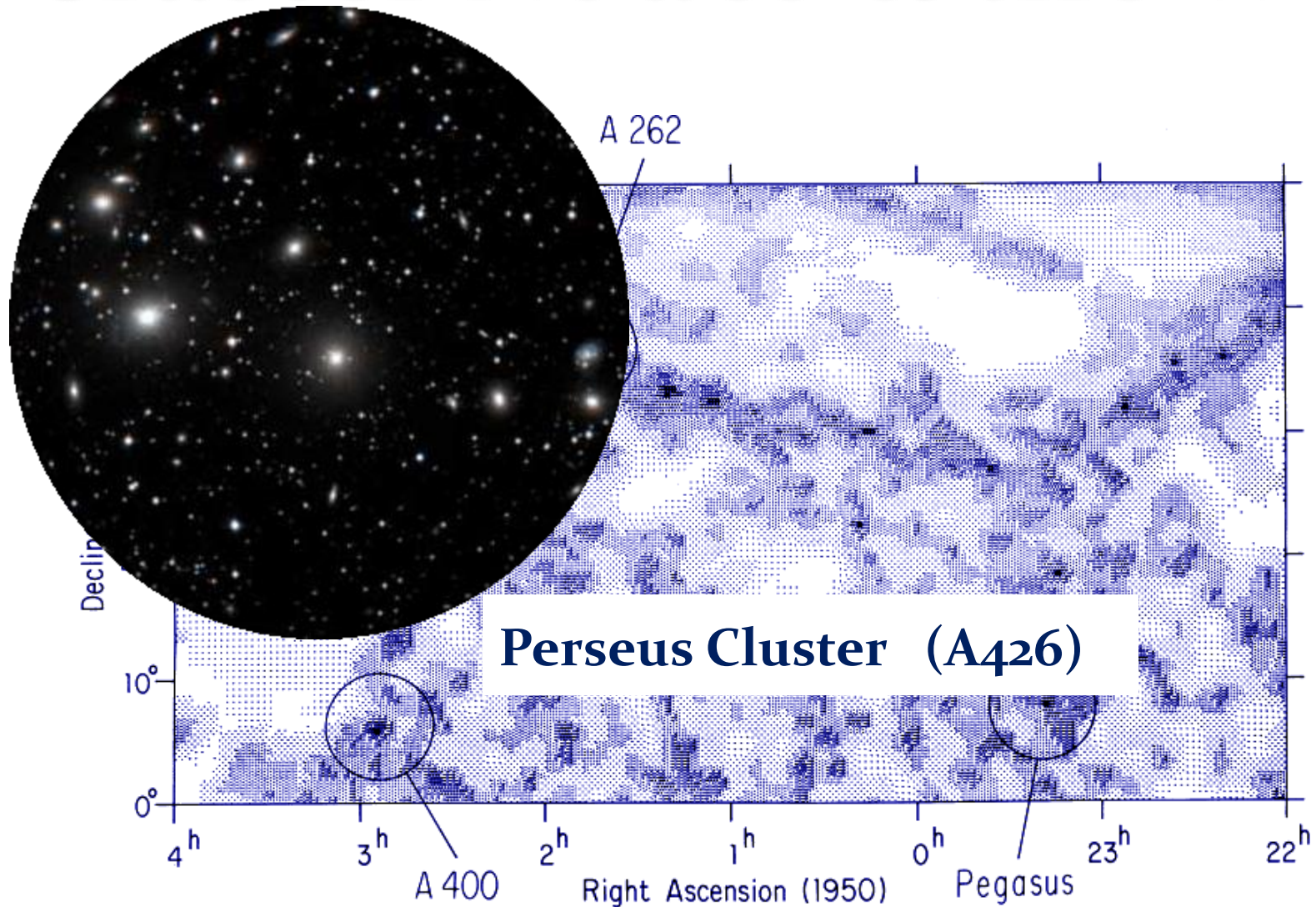
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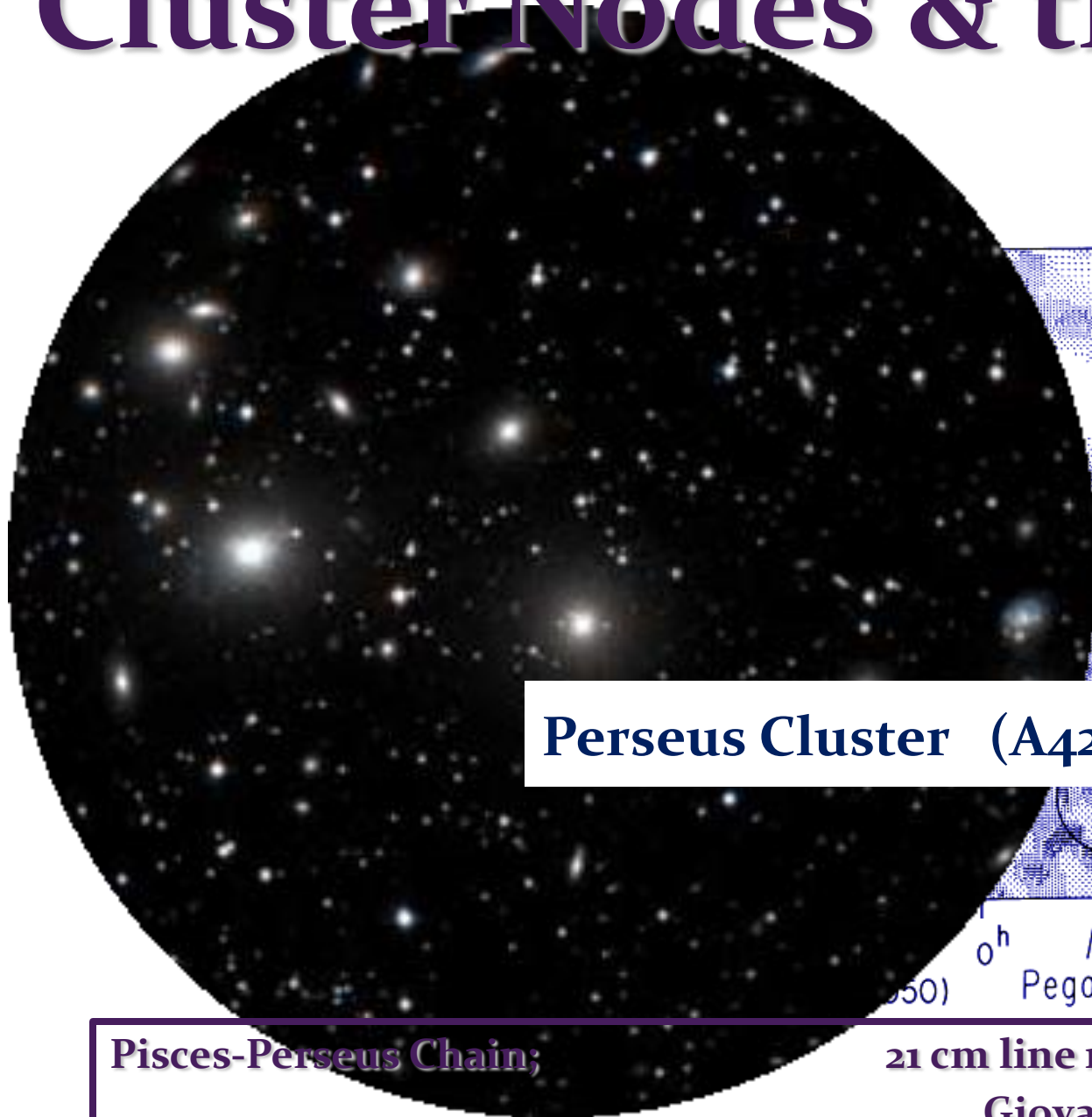
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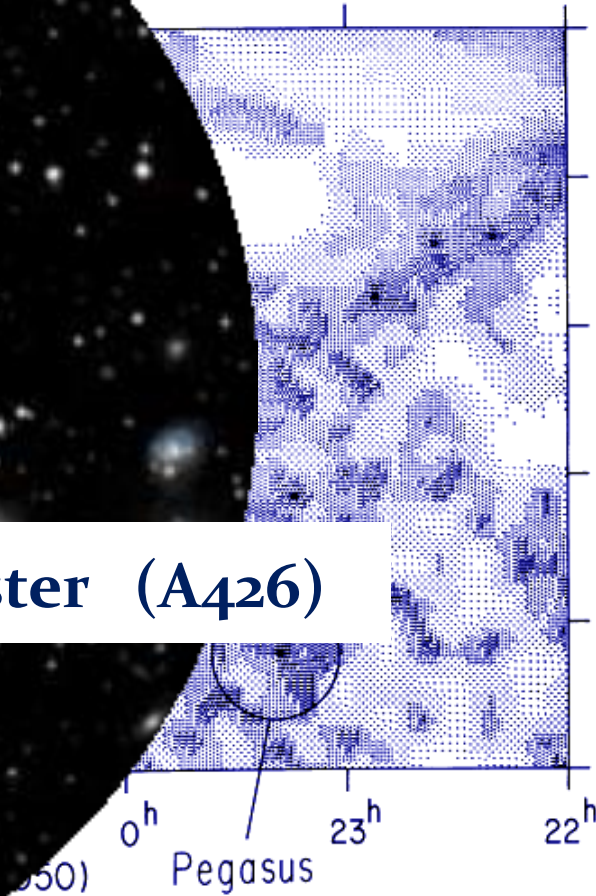
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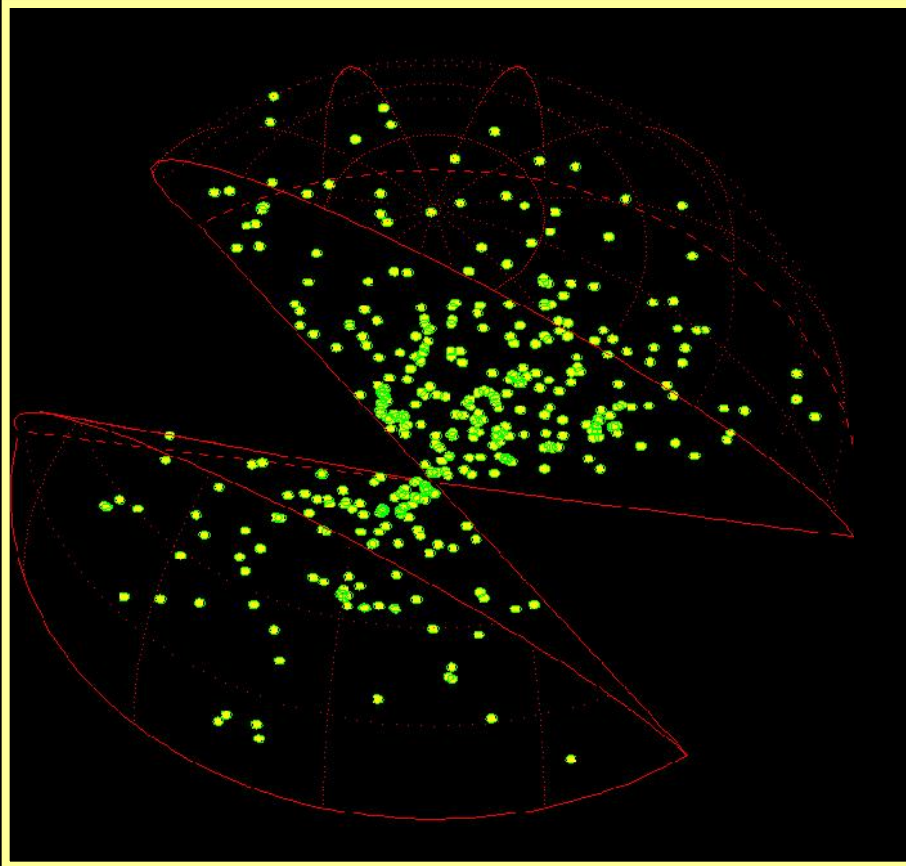
**Perseus Cluster (A426)**



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## The spatial cluster distribution.

The full volume of the X-ray cluster REFLEX cluster survey within a distance of  $600h^{-1}$  Mpc. The REFLEX galaxy cluster catalogue contains all clusters brighter than an X-ray flux of  $3 \times 10^{-16}$  ergs  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  over a large part of the in the southern sky. The missing part of hemisphere delineates the region highly obscured by the Galaxy.

REFLEX: Boehringer et al. (2001)

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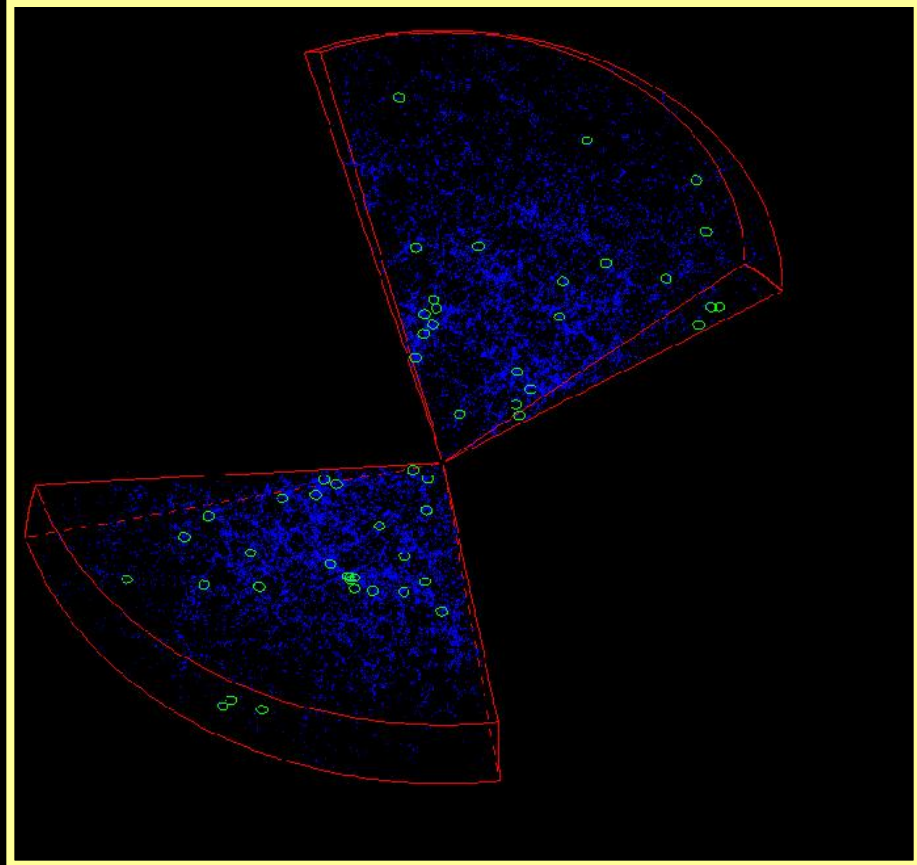
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## The spatial cluster distribution and relation to Cosmic Web.

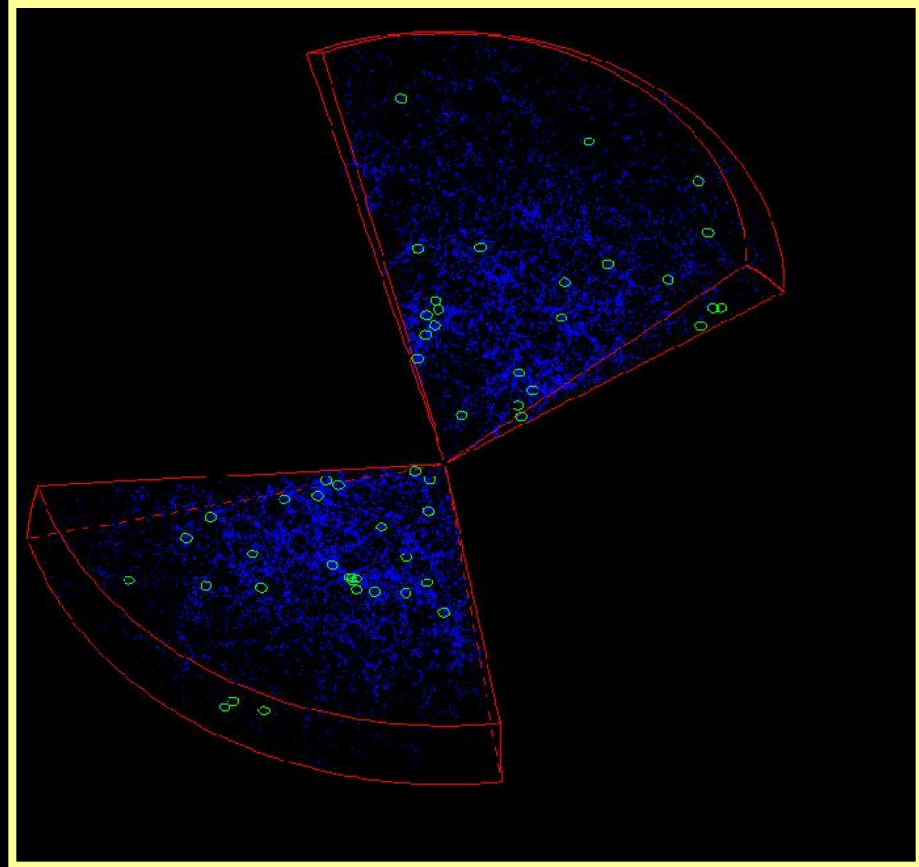
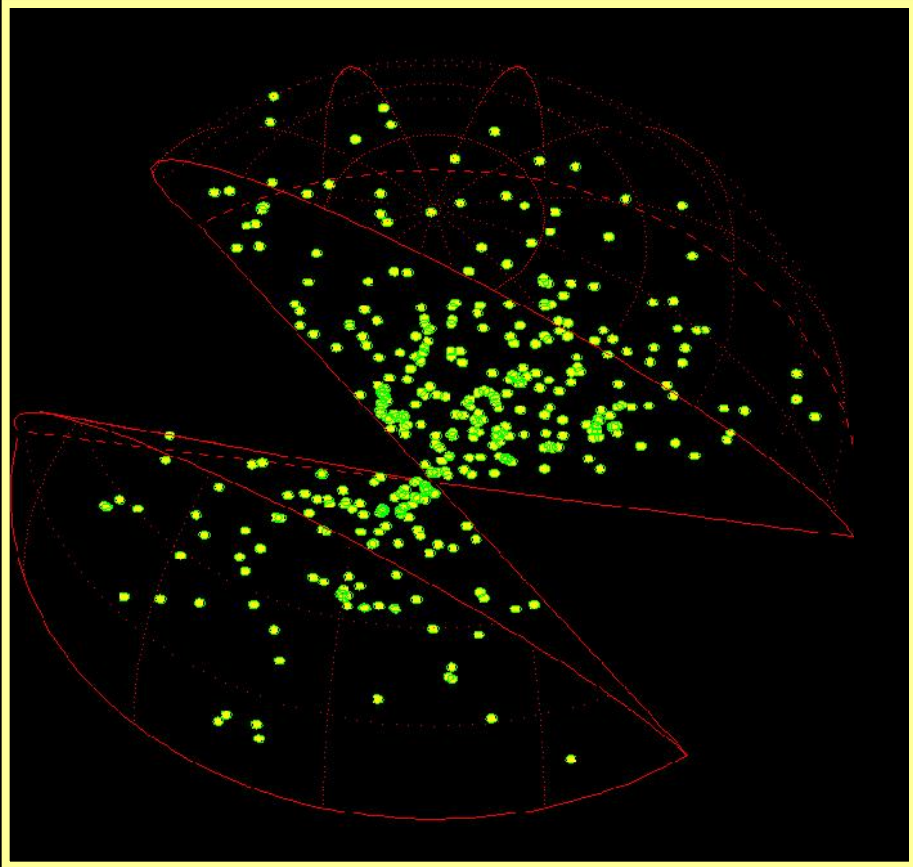
The green circles mark the positions of REFLEX X-ray clusters in the northern and southern slices of the Las Campanas redshift survey (LCRS, Shectman et al. 1996), out to a maximum distance of  $600h^{-1}$  Mpc. Underlying, in blue, the galaxies in the LCRS delineate a foamlike distribution of filaments, walls and voids.

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# Cluster Nodes & the Web



Cosmic

Structure Formation

# Early Universe

**almost perfectly homogeneous and isotropic,  
without any discernable structure ...**

**How did the present wealth and variety of  
structure emerge out of  
an almost featureless, pristine early Universe**

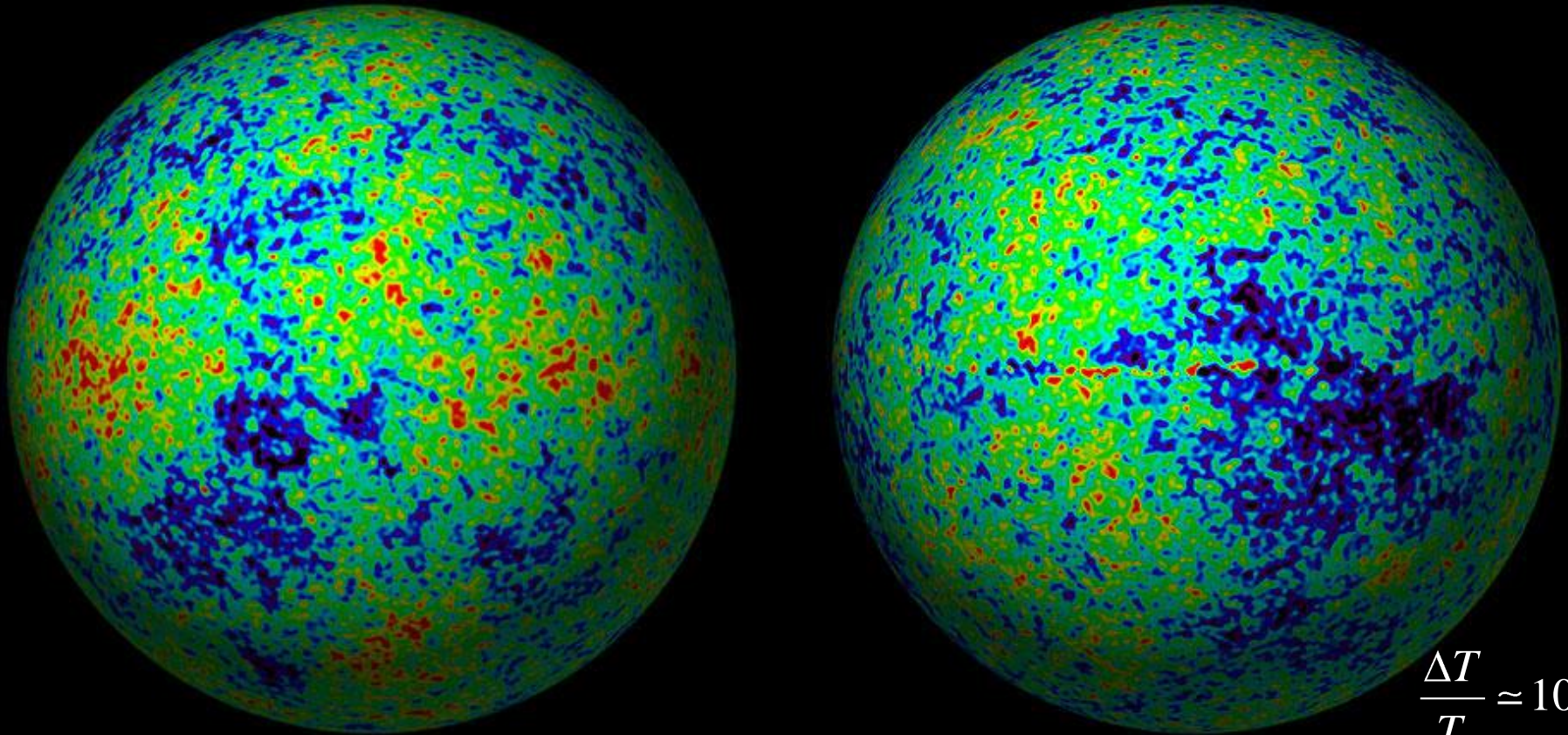
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**Cosmic Paradigm:**

**Gravitational Instability**

# Primordial Universe

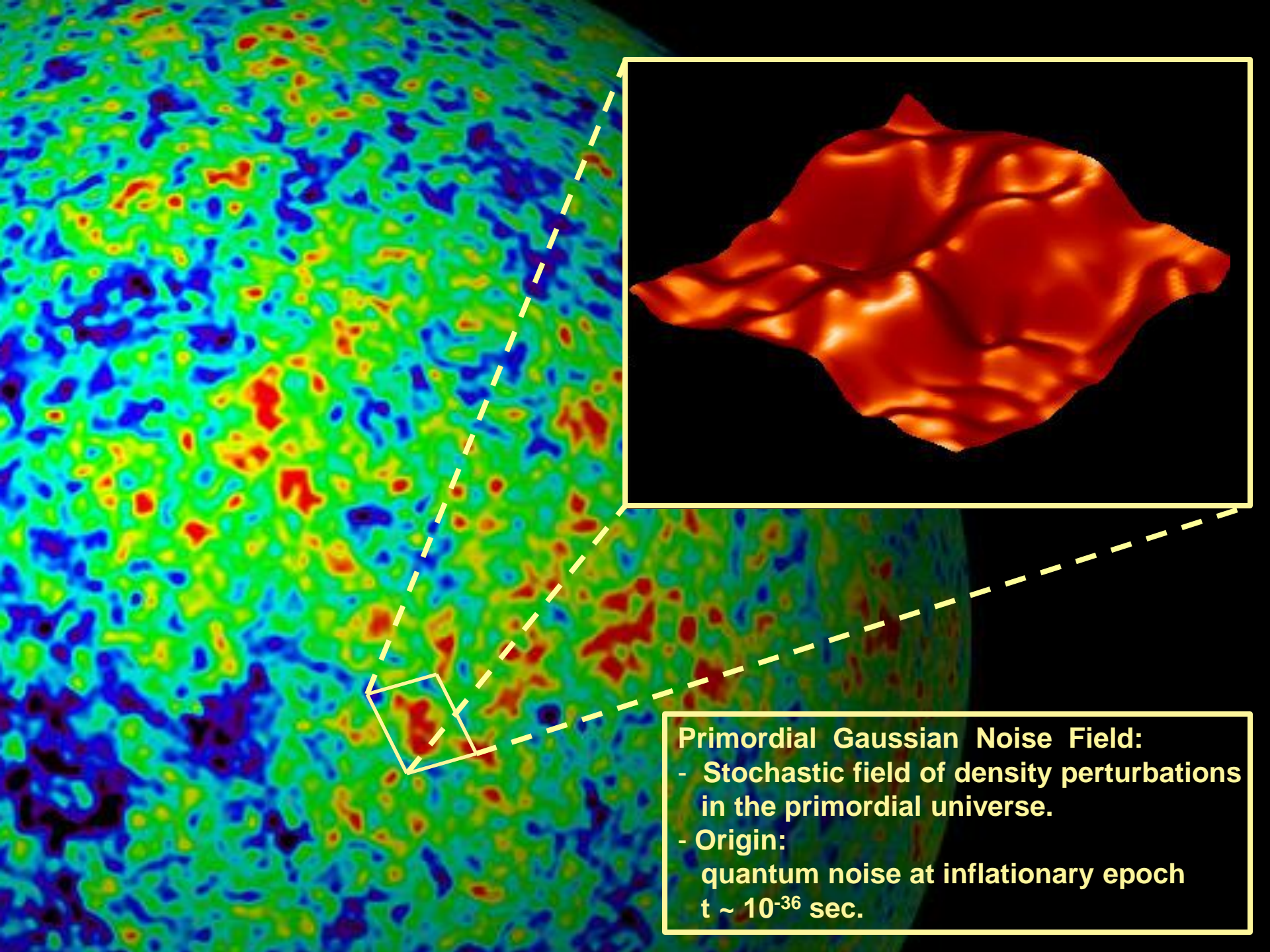


$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} \simeq 10^{-5}$$

global representation cosmic surface last scattering: the world inside out

## Temperature Map CMB radiation:

Tiny variations in primordial temperature, reflecting tiny inhomogeneities in energy density of  $\Delta \sim 10^{-5}$  K at recombination epoch, 379,000 yrs after Big Bang



**Primordial Gaussian Noise Field:**

- Stochastic field of density perturbations in the primordial universe.
- Origin: quantum noise at inflationary epoch  $t \sim 10^{-36}$  sec.

## Density Perturbation Field:

$$\delta(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{\rho(x, t) - \rho_u(t)}{\rho_u(t)}$$

The background of the slide is a Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) fluctuation map, showing a complex pattern of red and orange tones with darker and lighter regions, representing temperature variations in the early universe.

**Gravity Perturbations**

## Gravity Perturbations

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{1}{a} \nabla \phi = \frac{3\Omega H^2}{8\pi} \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3}$$

# Cosmic Structure Formation

(Energy) Density Perturbations



Gravity Perturbations



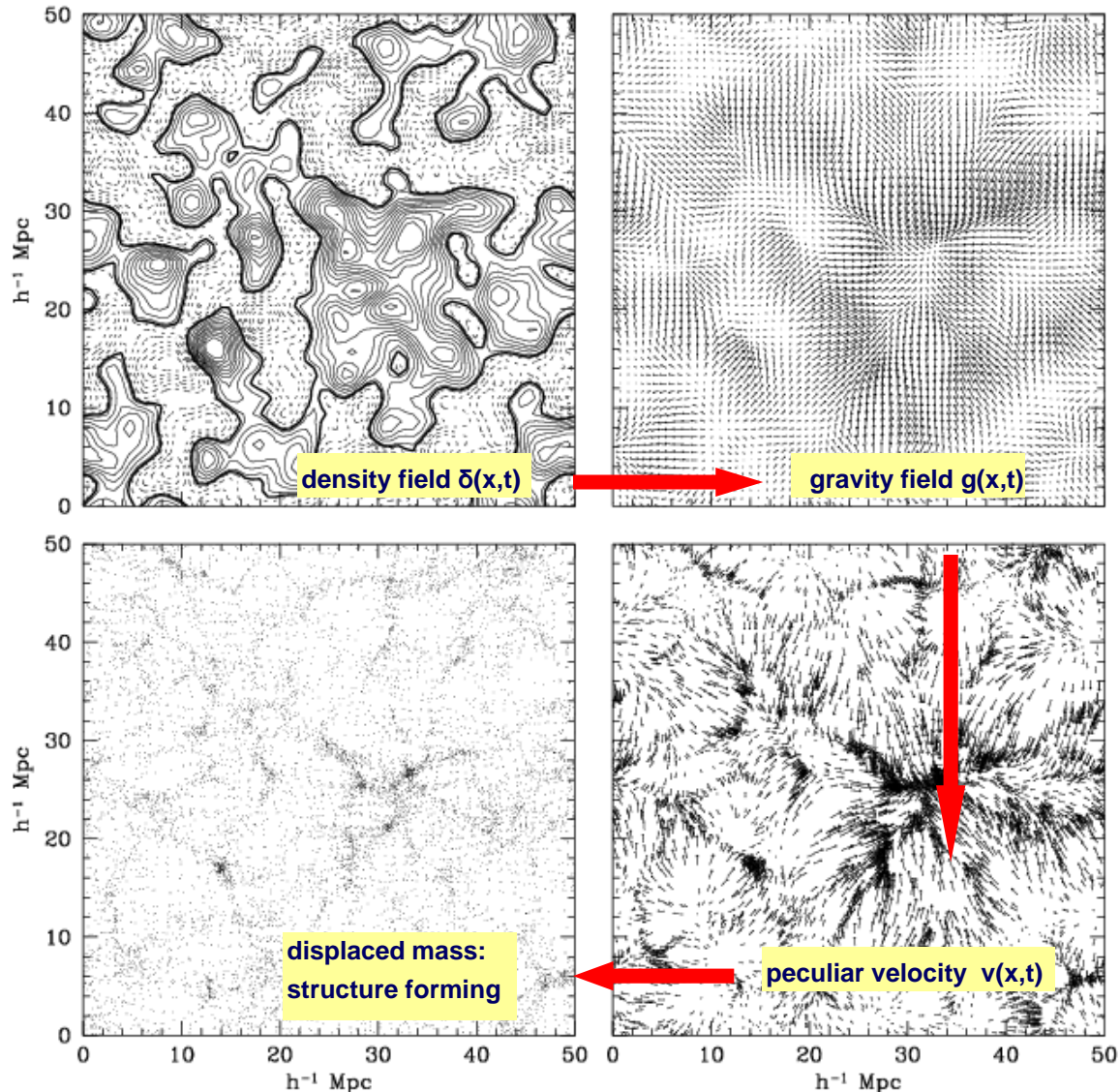
(Cosmic) Flows of (Energy) & Matter:

- towards high density regions:
  - assemble more and more matter
  - their expansion comes to a halt
  - turn around and collapse
- evacuating void regions
  - low-density regions expand
  - matter moves out of region
  - turn into prominent empty voids



Emergence of cosmic structures

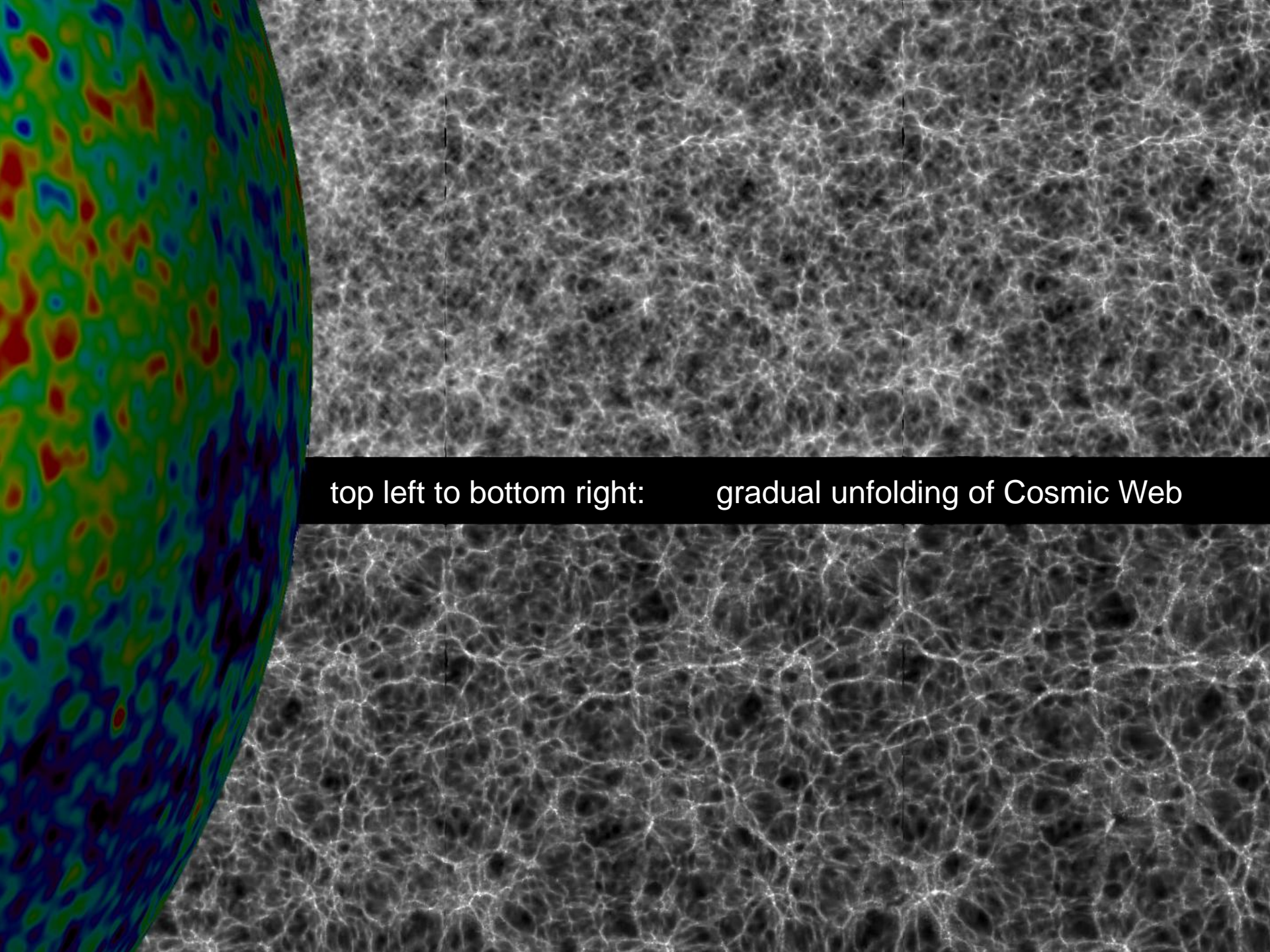
- Computer Simulations
  - successful confrontation with observational reality



**Structure Formation  
GIF Simulation,**

**Volker Springel  
Movie**





top left to bottom right: gradual unfolding of Cosmic Web

**following first linear phase of structure formation:  
emergence of genuine cosmic structures**

**three generic properties nonlinear structure formation:**

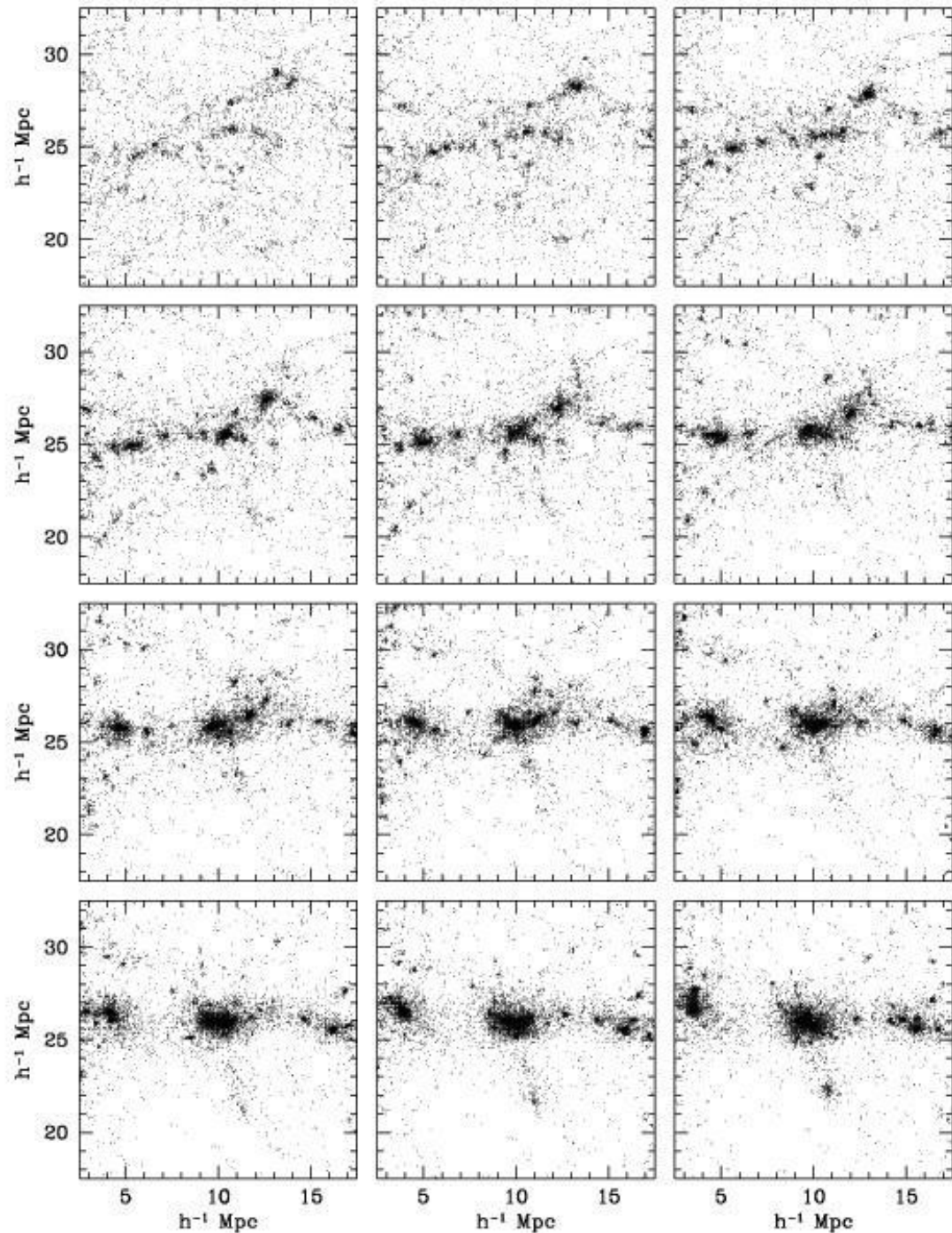
- **hierarchical structure formation**
- **anisotropic collapse**
- **void formation:**  
asymmetry  
overdense vs. underdense

# Hierarchical Structure Formation

**Small structures form first, then merge into larger and larger features**

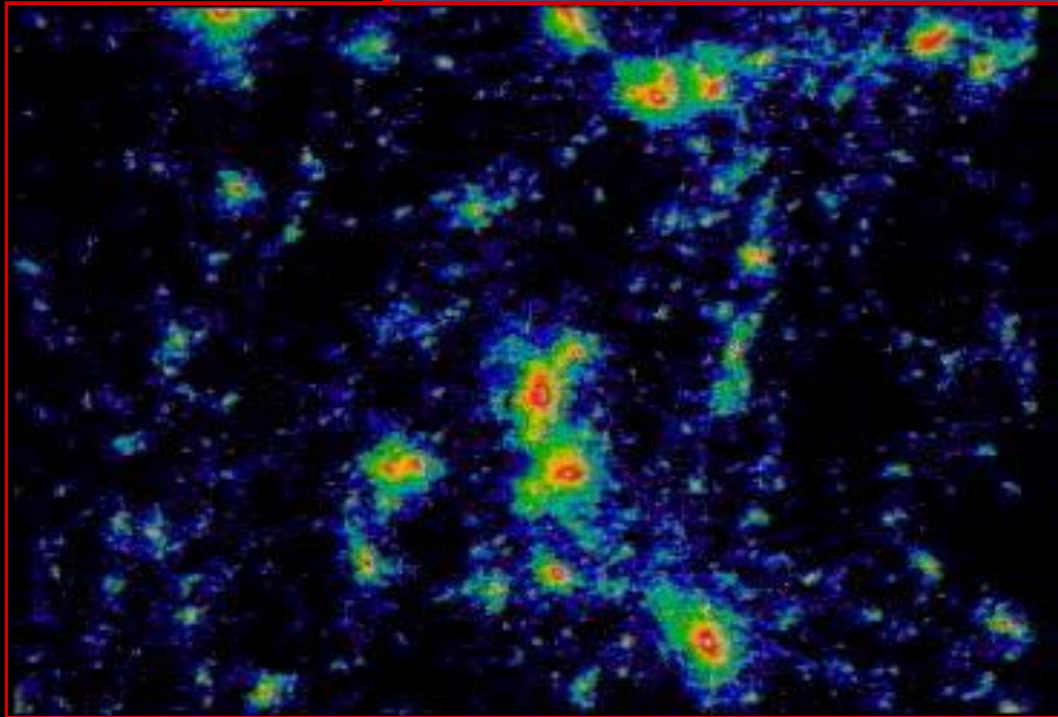
**Structures in the Universe form  
by  
gradual hierarchical assembly:**

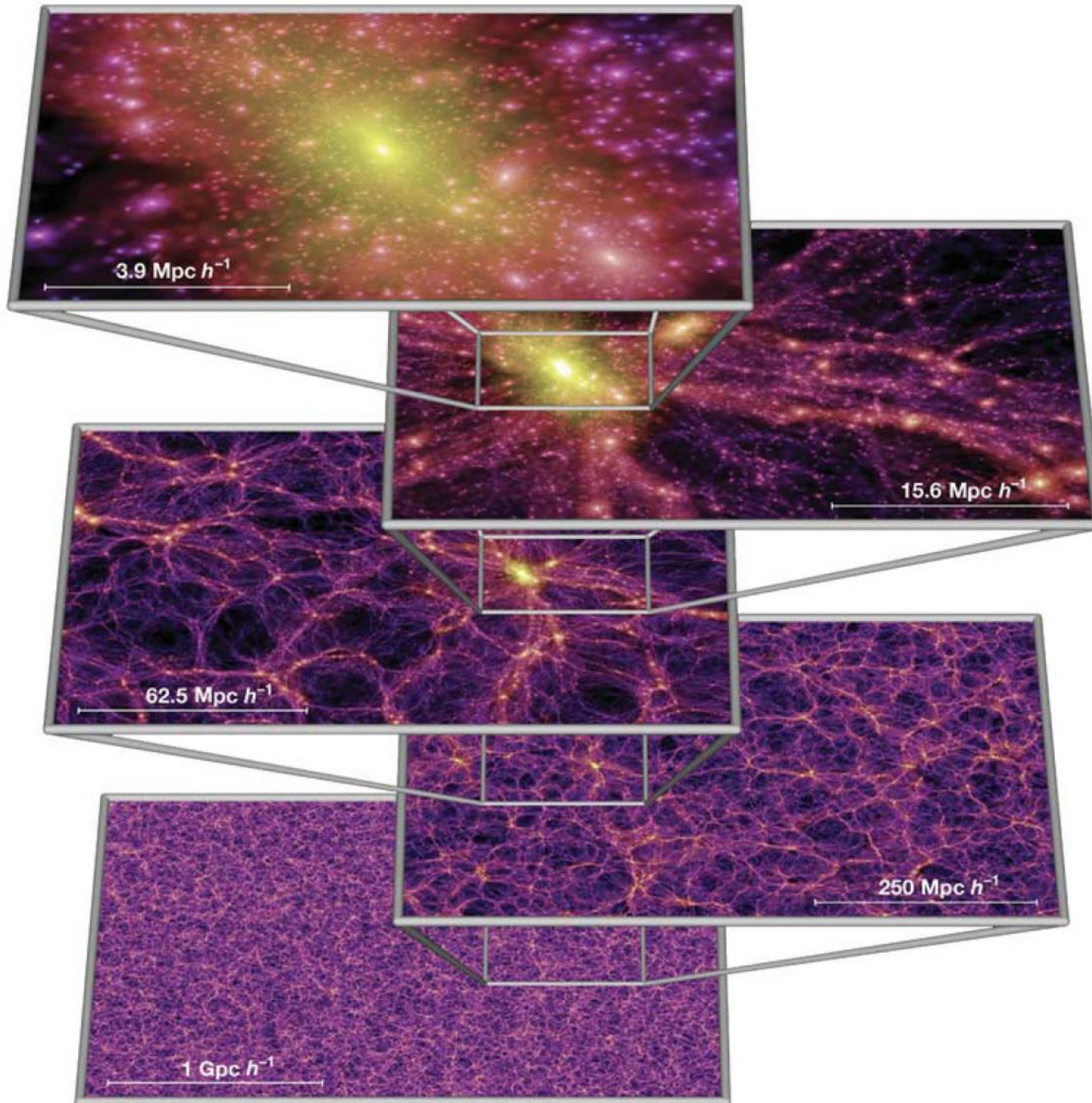
- ❖ **small objects emerge & collapse first,**
- ❖ **then merge with other clumps**
- ❖ **while forming larger objects in hierarchy**



# Hierarchical Structure Formation

$z = 20.0$





# Anisotropic Structure Formation

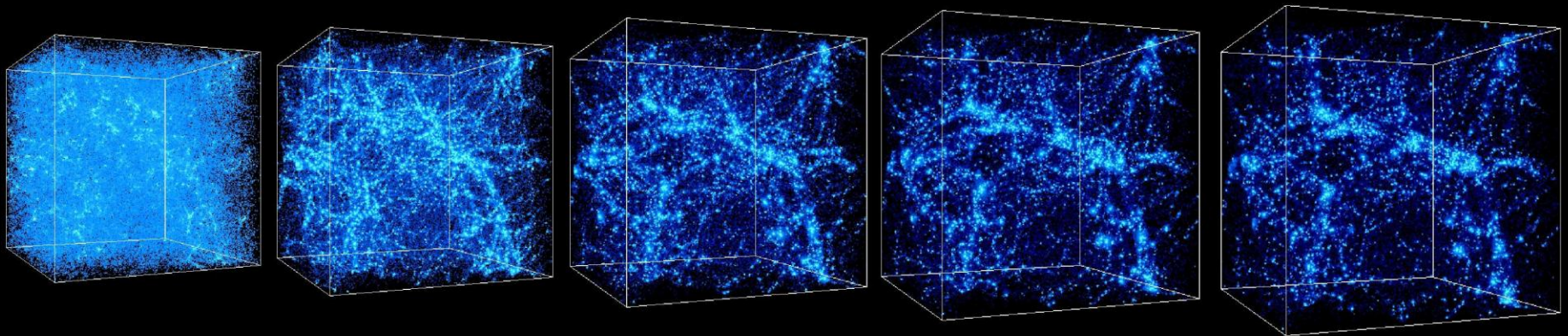
**Structures tend to collapse into  
anisotropic filamentary and planar structures**

## Gravitational Instability:

- any small initial deviation from sphericity of a collapsing cloud gets magnified
- gravitational collapse proceeds along sequence:

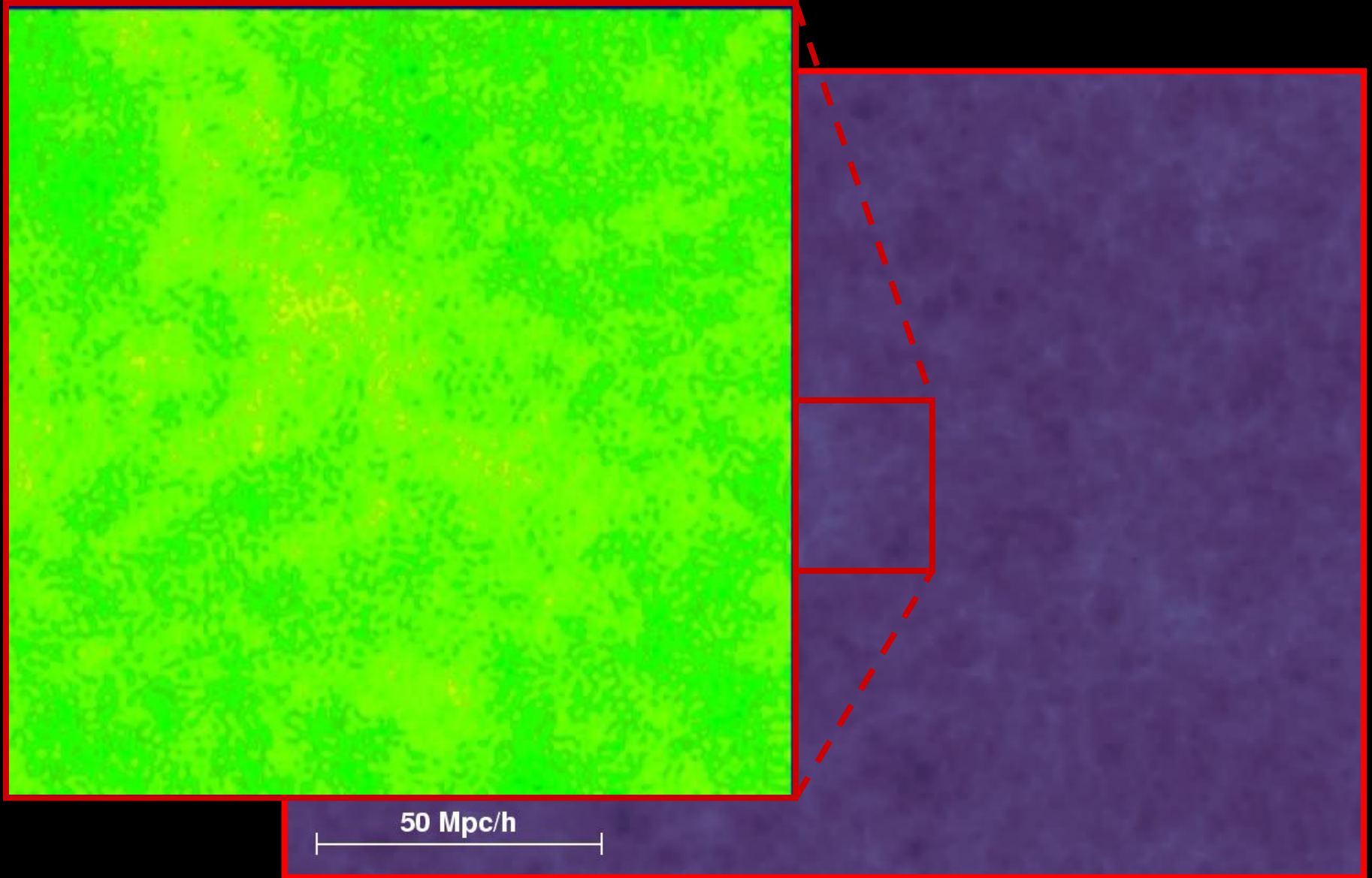
- |                                |   |                 |   |            |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|------------|
| • collapse along smallest axis | → | planar geometry | ← | wall       |
| • collapse medium axis         | → | elongated       | ← | filament   |
| • full 3-D collapse            | → | clump           | ← | clump/halo |

- After having collapsed into a clump, virialization and emergence cosmic object

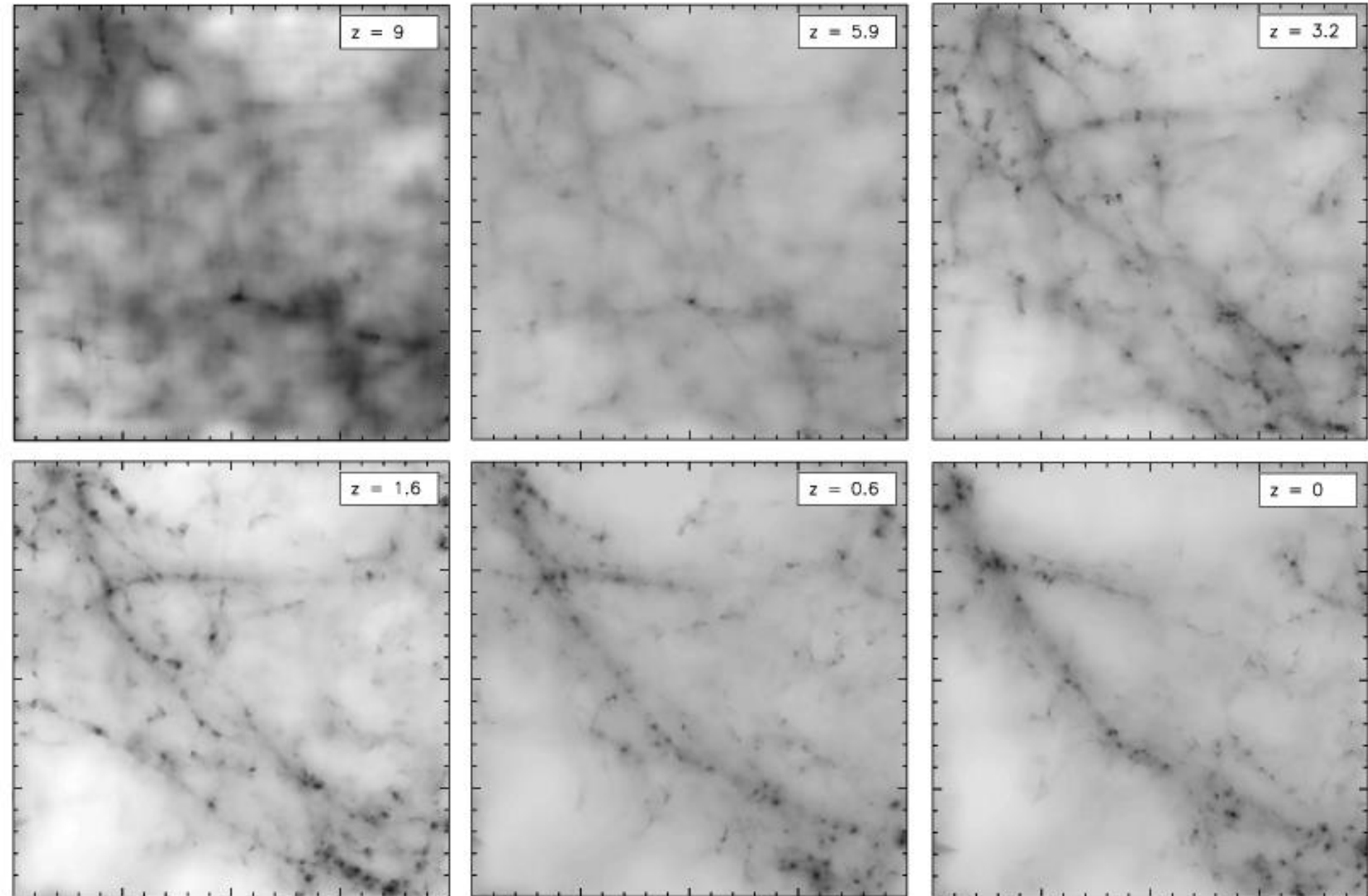




# Anisotropic Collapse



# Hierarchical Filament Formation






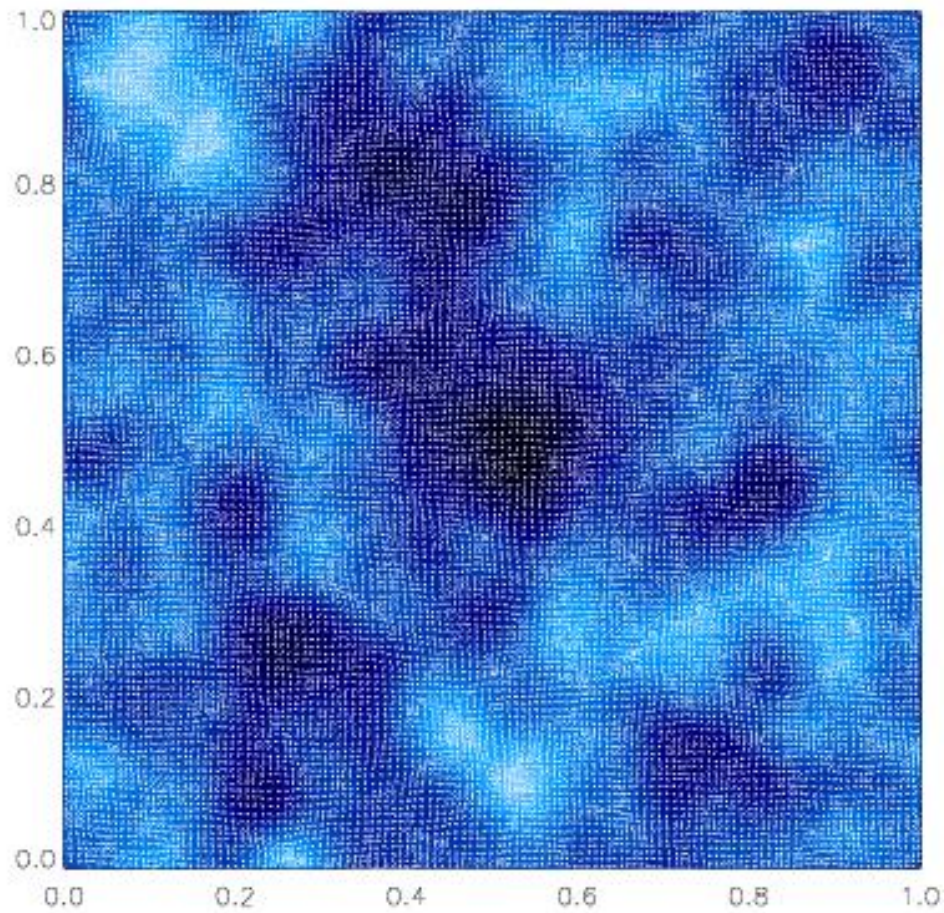
# Asymmetric Structure Formation:

## Void Dominance

**While matter aggregates into ever denser and compacter structures, underdense void regions assume dominance in terms of occupied space.**

# Origin of Voids:

- **Voids natural product gravitational instability**
- **Voids evolve out of primordial underdensities:**
  - Underdensity** 
  - Gravity Deficit** 
  - Matter Emigration**
- **Primordial Density Troughs**  **Present-Day voids**



50 Mpc/h



# Millennium Simulation

**One of the largest N-body computer simulations of structure formation, illustrating the complex and intricate formation process of the “Cosmic Web”**

Millennium  
Simulation:  
LCDM

500 Mpc/h



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**Millenium Simulation,  
Volker Springel,**

**Flythrough Movie**