

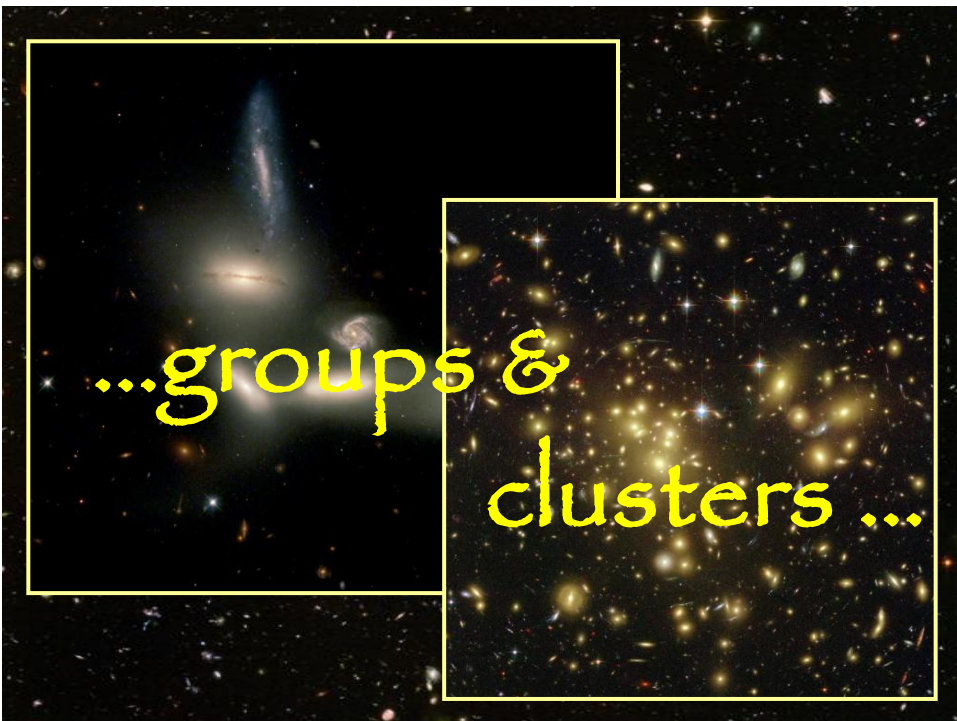
Structure in the Universe



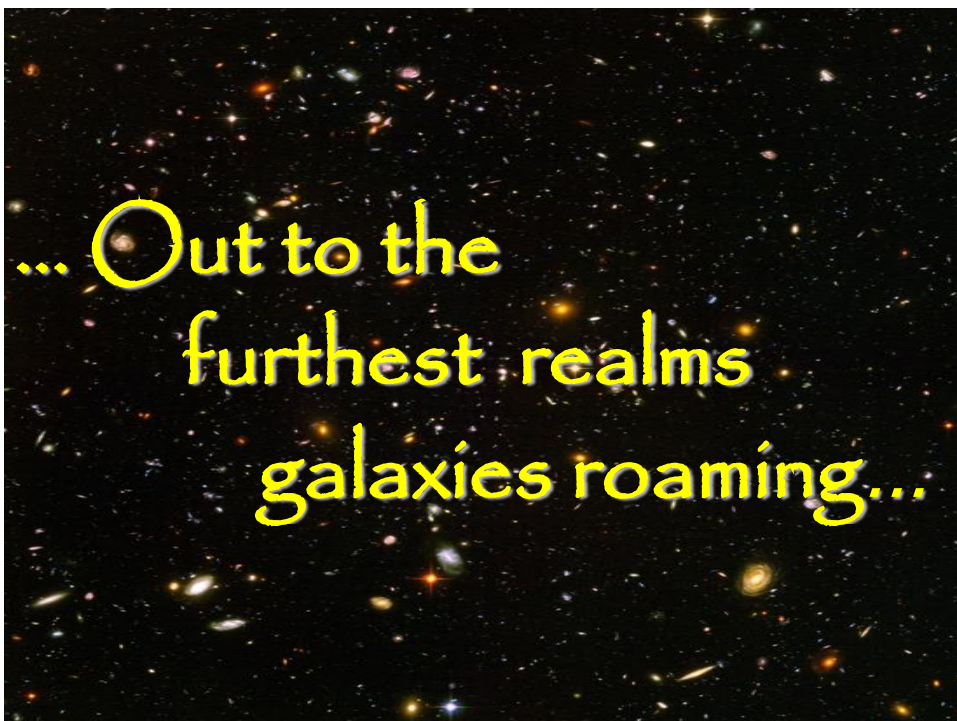


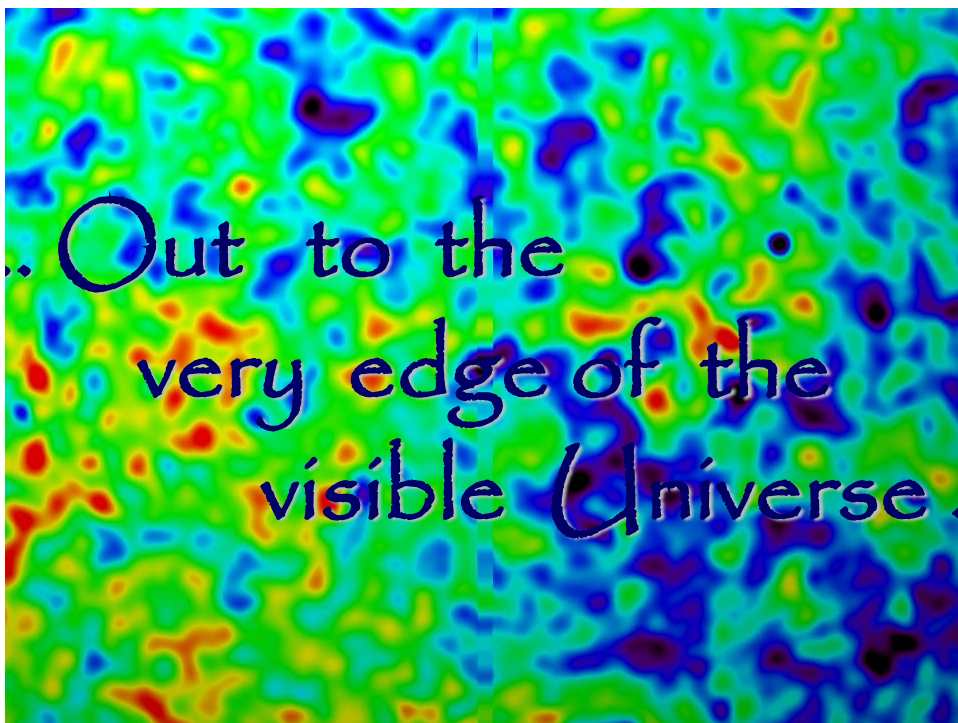


Sociology of Galaxies: Interaction



Sociology of Galaxies: Clusters





Central Theme: Cosmic Enigma

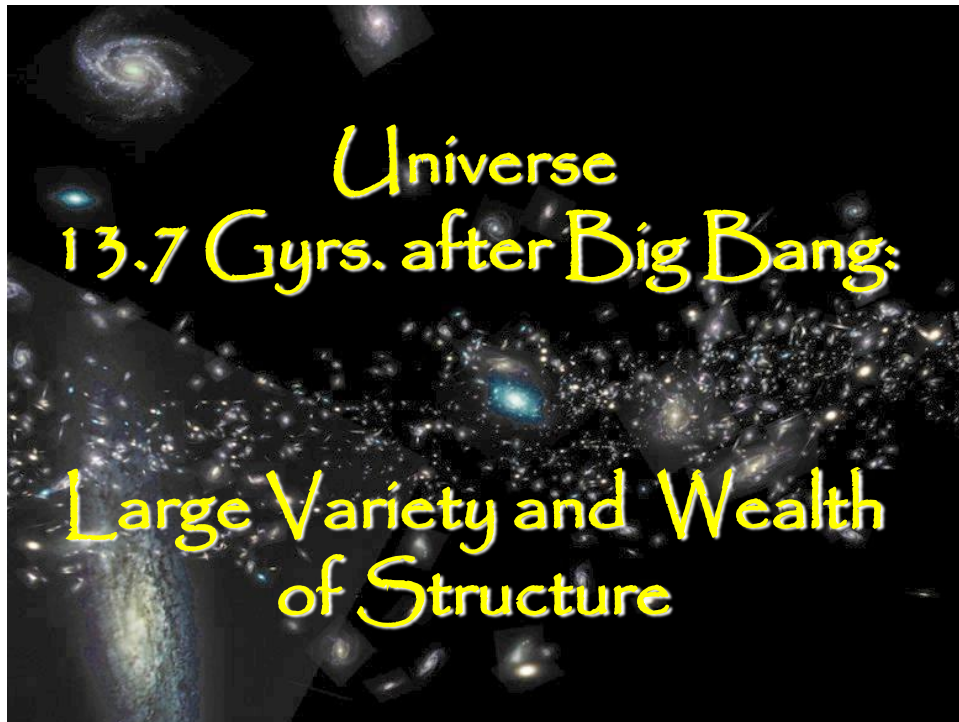
Universe

379,000 years after Big Bang

almost perfectly smooth

Microwave Background Radiation, surface of last scattering of cosmic photons is almost perfectly isotropic, all around the same temperature:

$T=2.725\text{ K}$



The Early Universe:
Almost perfectly homogeneous and isotropic,
without any discernable structure ...

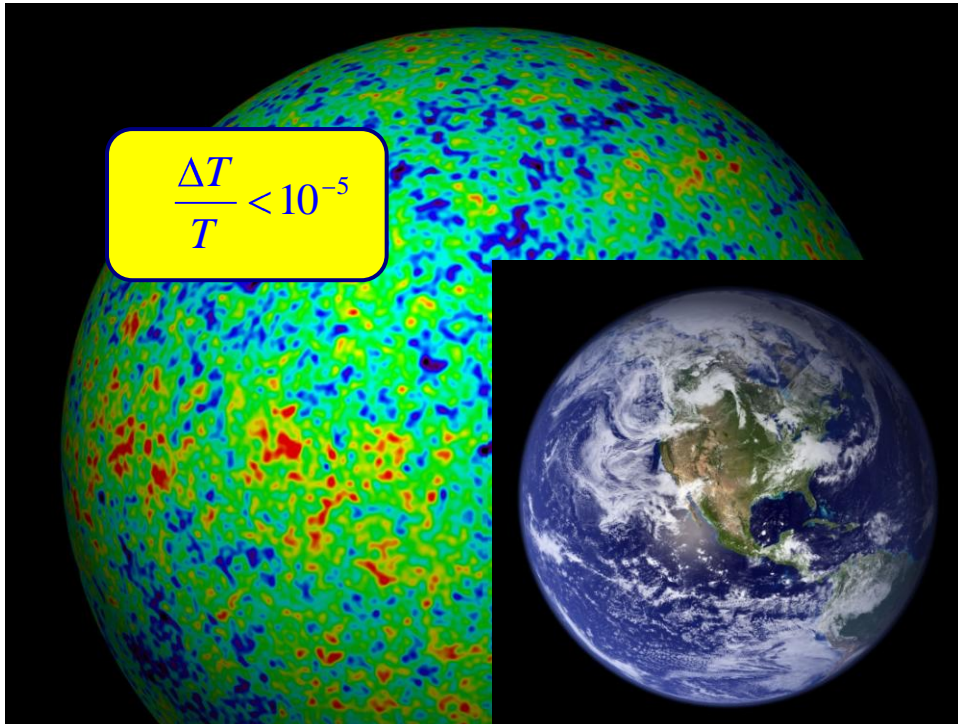
How did the present wealth and variety of
structure emerge out of
an almost featureless, pristine early Universe
?????

Cosmic Paradigm: Gravitational Instability

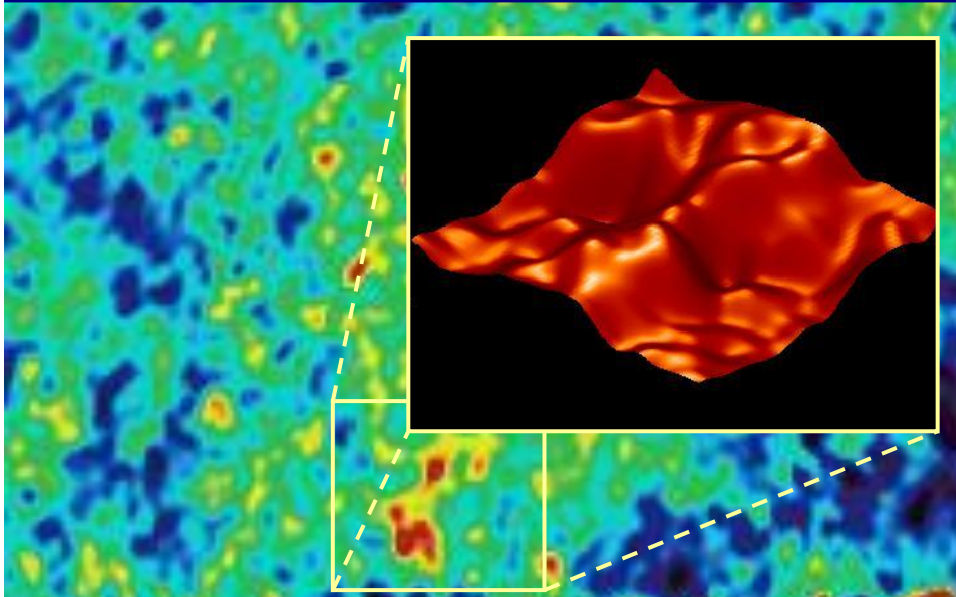
Ripples in the Universe

Tiny density perturbations in
Early Universe:

- Origin: Quantum Fluctuations expanded to superhorizon scale during Inflation
- Gaussian Noise !!!
- Primordial Gaussian Density & Velocity Perturbations visible as corresponding Radiation Temperature Perturbations in Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation (CMB) Radiation



Primordial Gaussian Perturbations



Cosmic Structure Formation

After decoupling, density perturbations in the matter distribution gradually develop into forming structures by means of the “gravitational instability” mechanism. The origin of these density perturbations is still an unsettled issue. Their presence, however, has been proven beyond doubt: their imprint in the CMB beautifully confirmed by COBE and WMAP.

Hidden in the depths of the very first instances of the early universe, at present the most viable suggestion is that it concerns quantum fluctuations blown up to macroscopic proportions in an inflationary phase of cosmic expansion.

In the later phases of more “quiescent” cosmic expansion, density fluctuations, frozen while they have the superhorizon scale assumed in inflation, gradually enter the horizon (i.e. they are overtaken).

From that instant on they can start growing!

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}, t) \equiv \frac{\rho(\mathbf{x}, t) - \bar{\rho}(t)}{\bar{\rho}(t)}$$

$$\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \hat{\delta}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

Gravitational Instability



Gravitational Instability



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

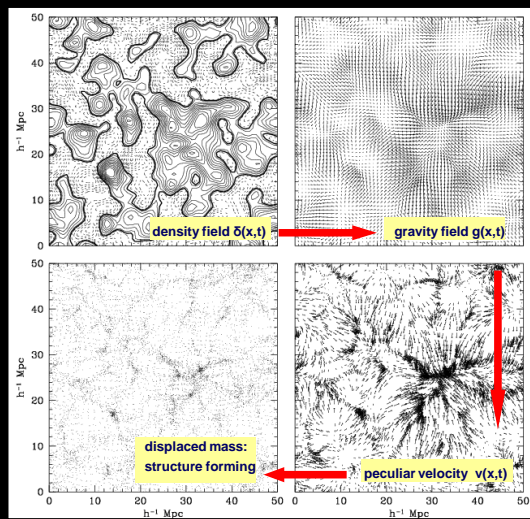
Cosmic Structure Formation

The gravity perturbations induce cosmic flows of matter. High density regions start to contract and finally collapse, assembling more and more matter from their surroundings.

By contrast, as matter is moving out of them, low density regions turn into empty void regions.

Gradually, dependent on scale, we see the emergence of cosmic structures.

These days we can simulate the characteristics of the process through large computer simulations. Successful confrontation with the observational reality has given confidence in our understanding.



Cosmic Structure Formation

The formation of the cosmic web is tellingly illustrated in the simulation sequence shown to the right.

(courtesy: Virgo/V. Springel).

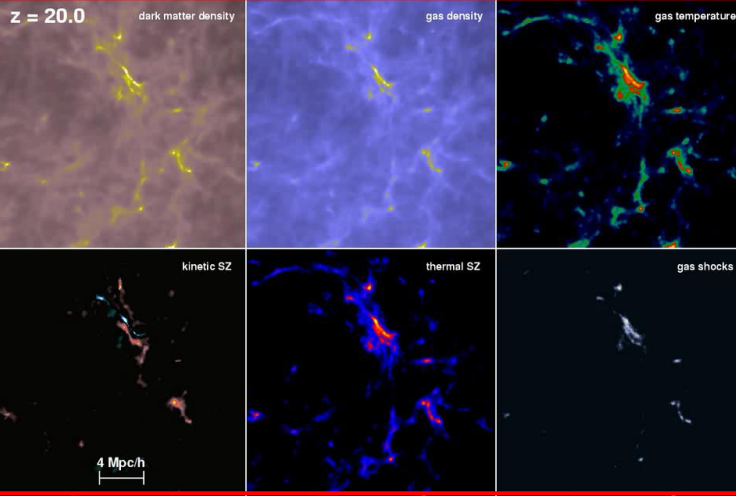
$z = 20.0$

50 Mpc/h

Cosmic Structure Formation

The formation of a cluster in the Cosmic Web

(courtesy: Virgo/V. Springel).



Gravitational Instability

Perturbation Development:

- **Generation:**
 - Inflationary Phase?
 - Gaussian Quantum Noise inflated to Cosmic Scale
- **Superhorizon:**
 - As long as perturbations superhorizon, no evolution
- **Linear Growth:**
 - Density & Velocity perturbations tiny
 - Can be described analytically!
- **Nonlinear Growth:**
 - Interaction between fluctuations over range of scales
 - Emergence complex patterns & formation objects
 - Only analytical approximations,
 - Computer (N-body) simulations necessary

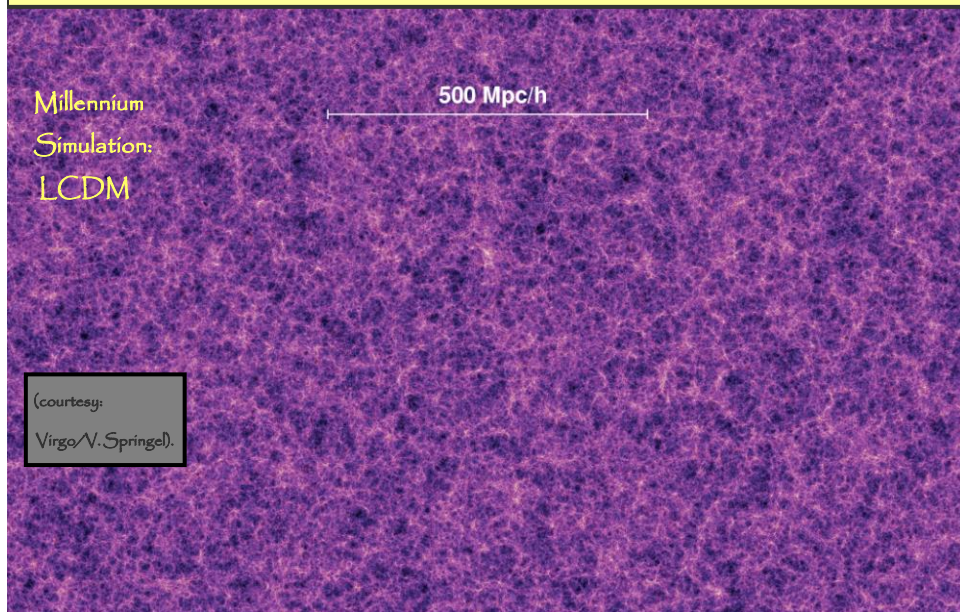
Millennium Simulation

Millennium
Simulation:
LCDM

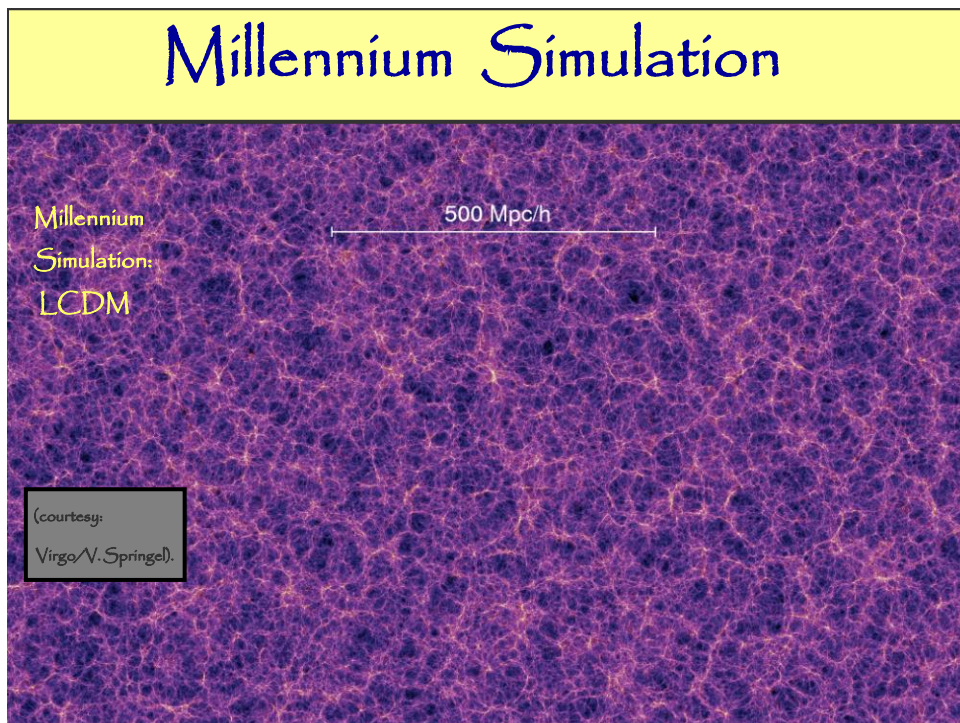
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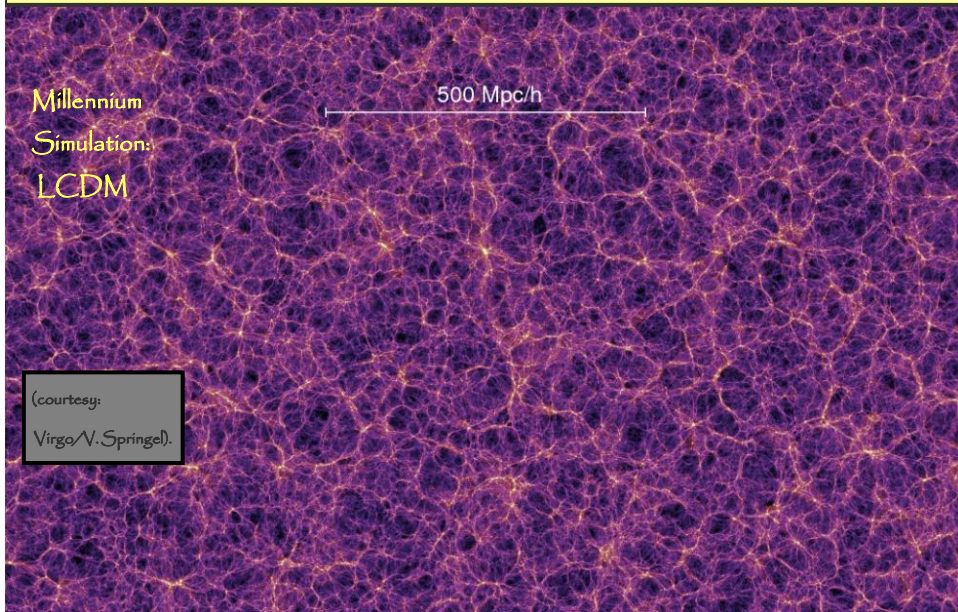
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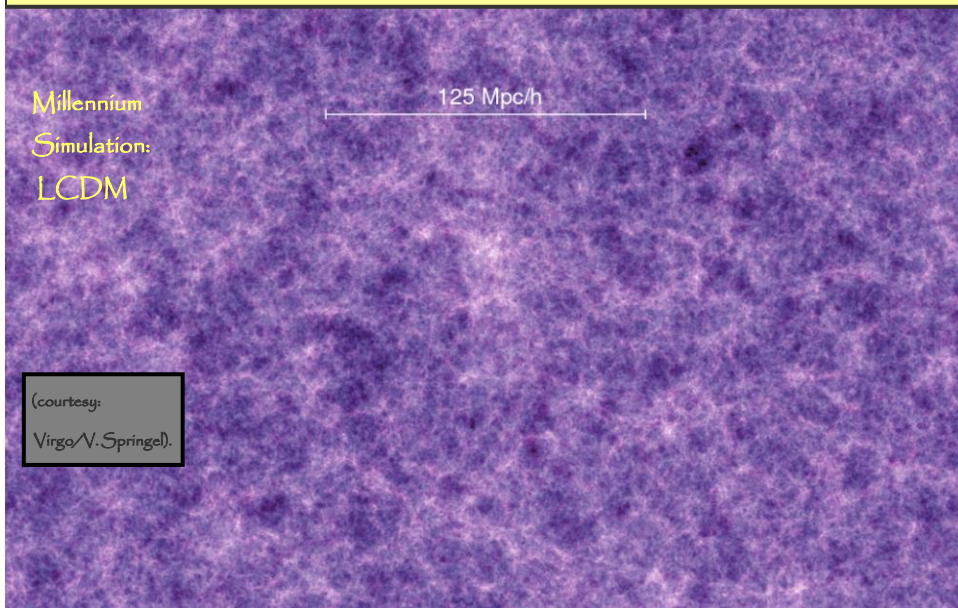
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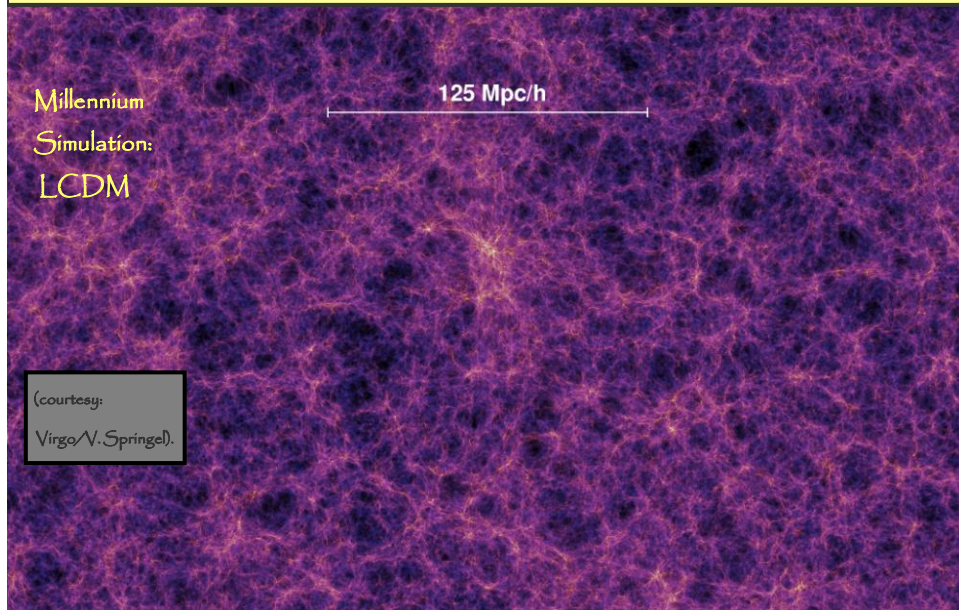
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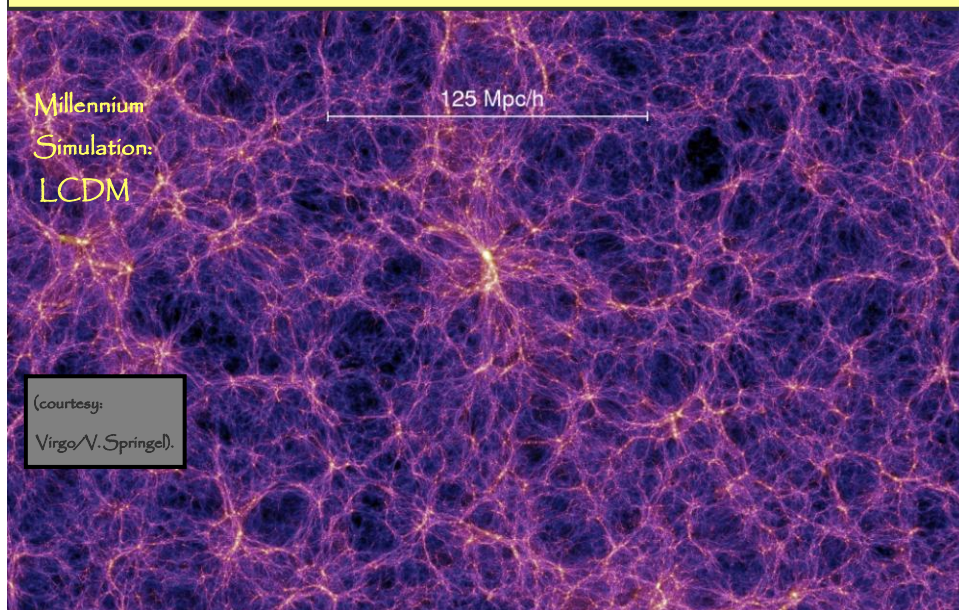
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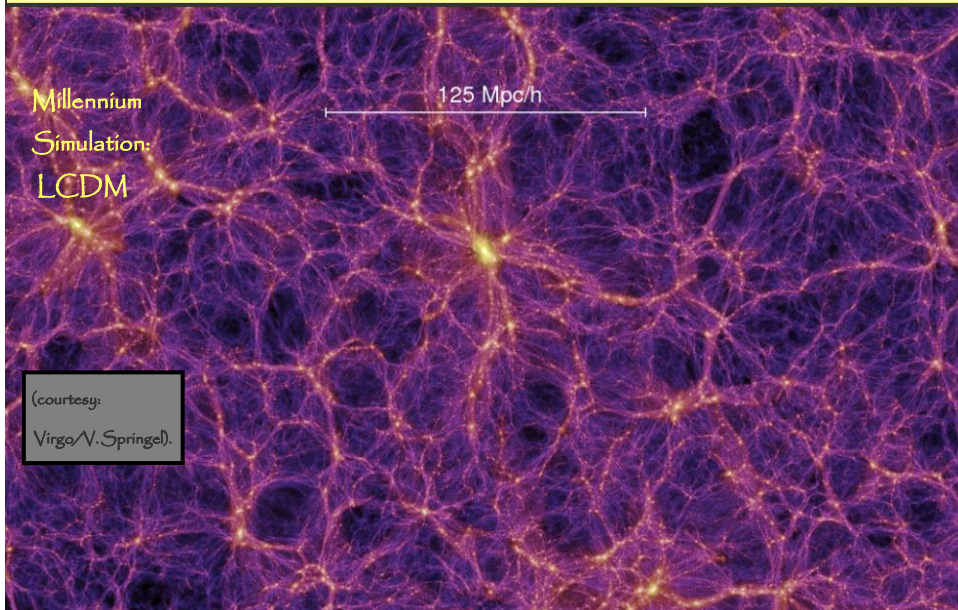
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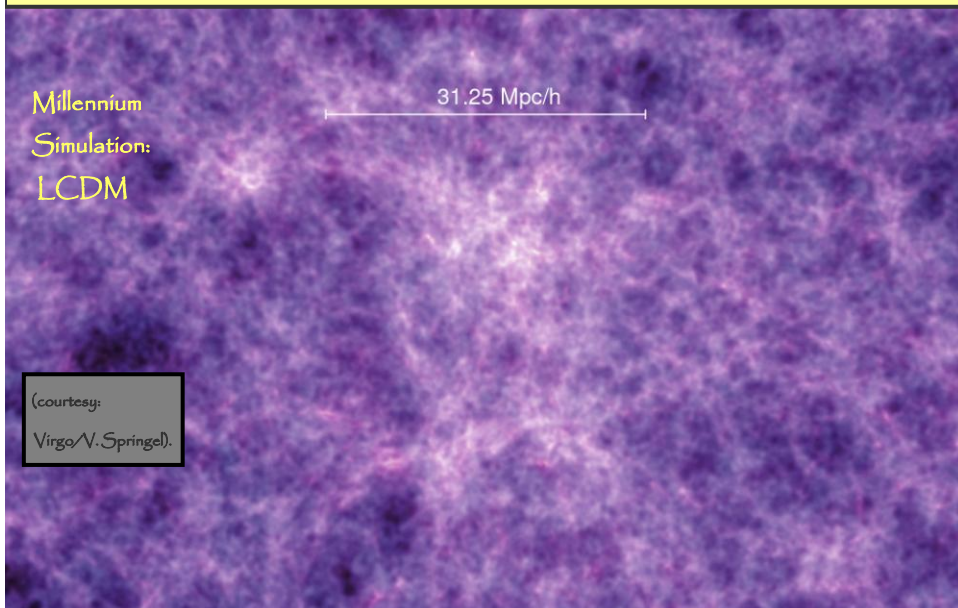
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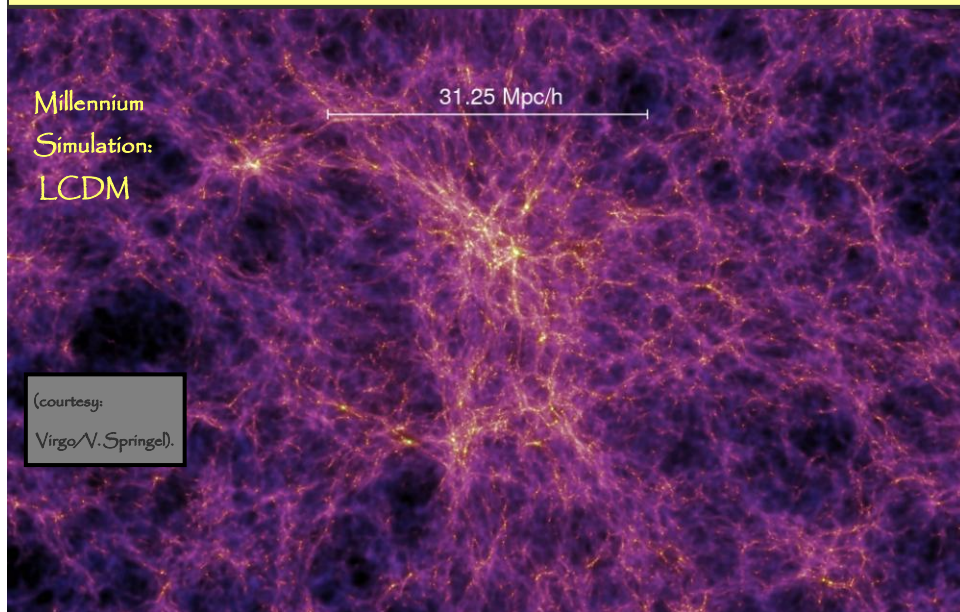
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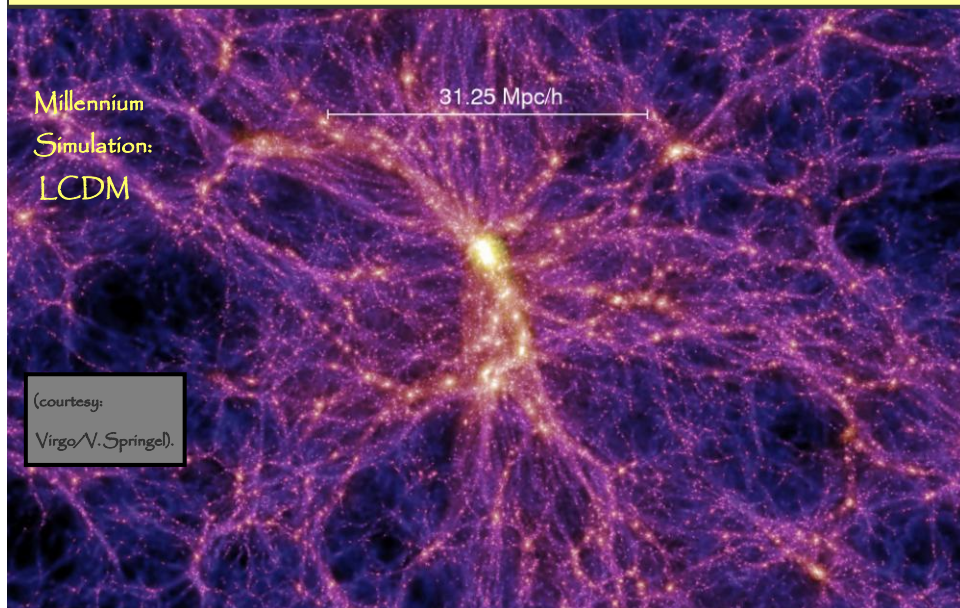
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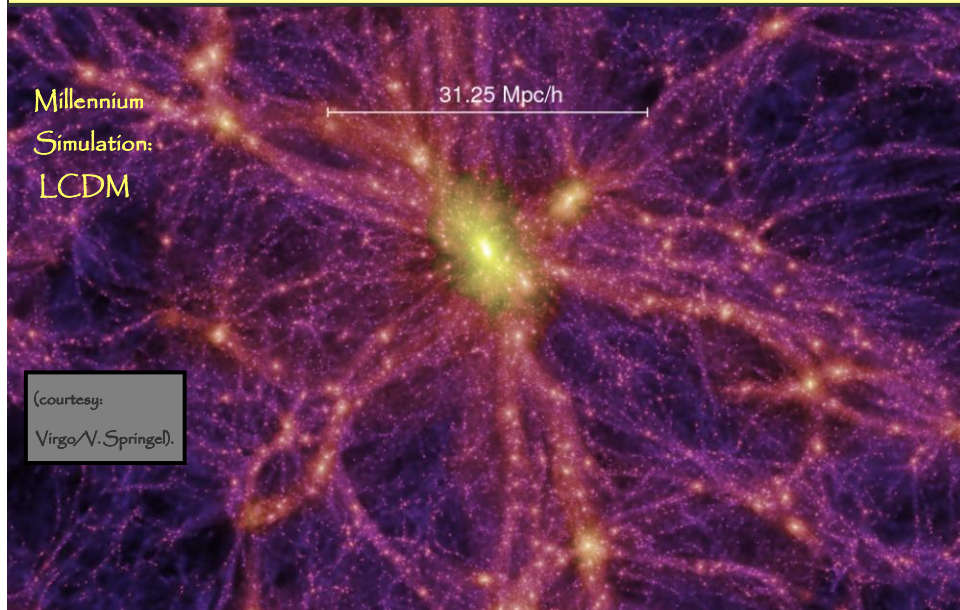
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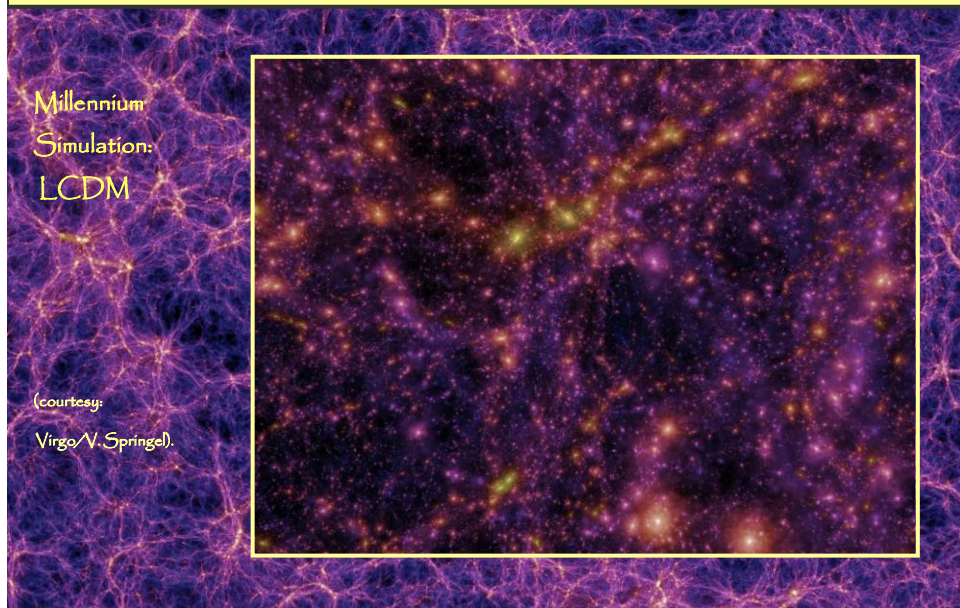
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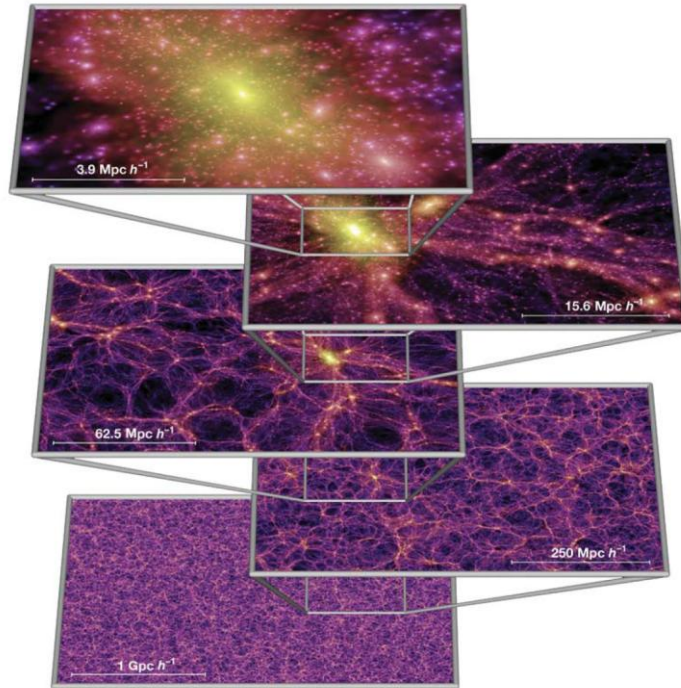
Cosmic Structure Formation

Once the first linear phase of structure formation has passed, we start to recognize the emergence of genuine cosmic structures. Three generic properties nonlinear structure formation:

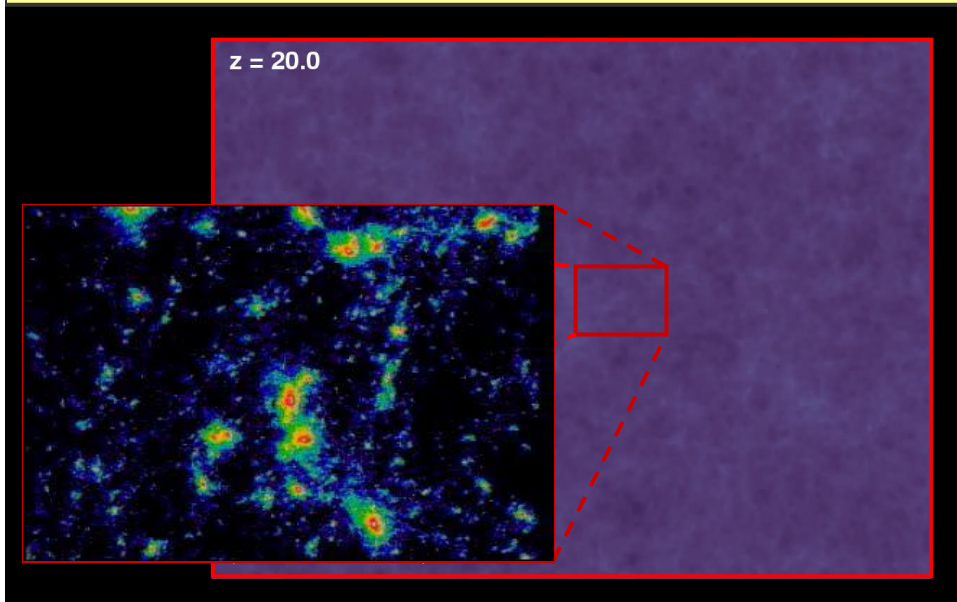
- hierarchical structure formation
- anisotropic collapse
- void formation:
asymmetry
overdense vs. underdense

Hierarchical Structure Formation

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



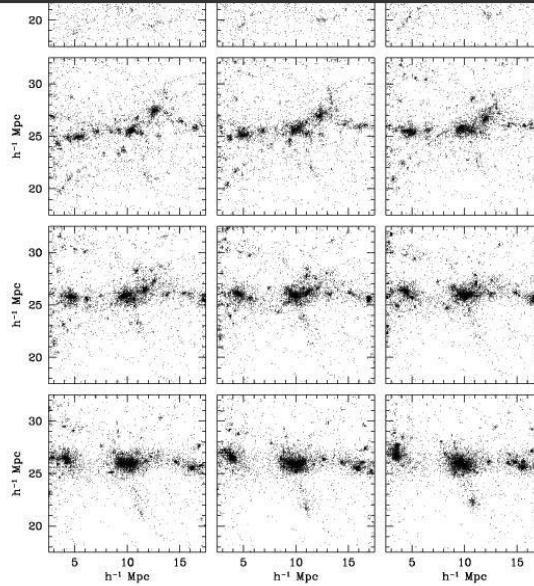
I. Hierarchical Structure Formation



1. Hierarchical Structure Formation

Structures in the Universe form
by
gradual hierarchical assembly:

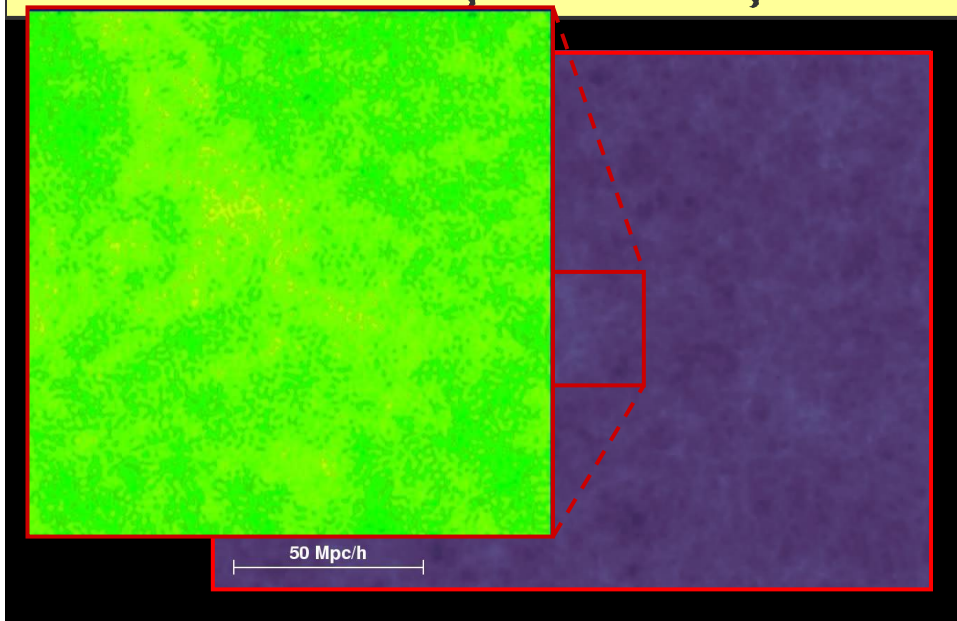
- ❖ small objects emerge & collapse first
- ❖ merge with other clumps while forming larger object in hierarchy



Anisotropic Structure Formation

Structures tend to collapse into anisotropic filamentary and planar structures

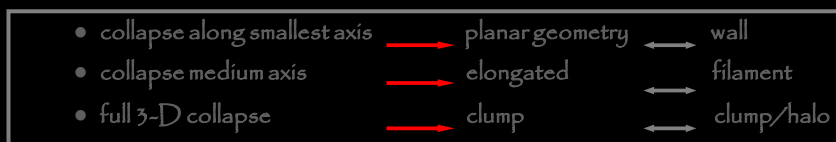
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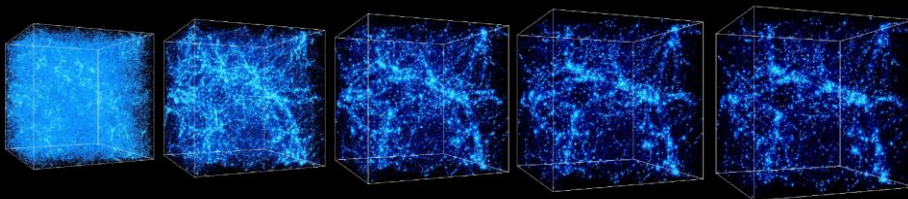
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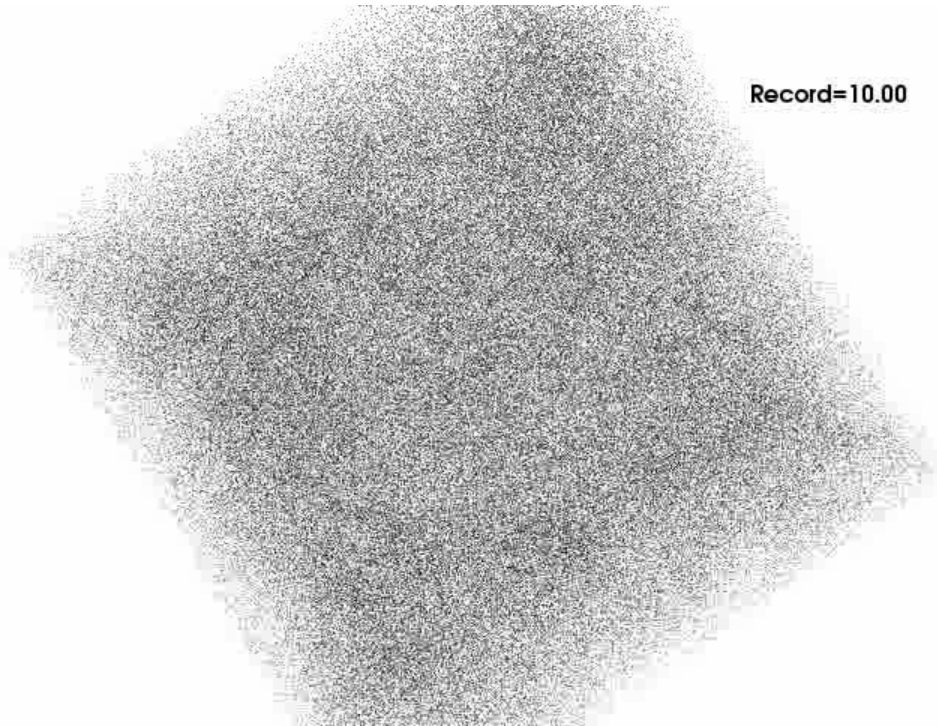
- Gravitational Instability:

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

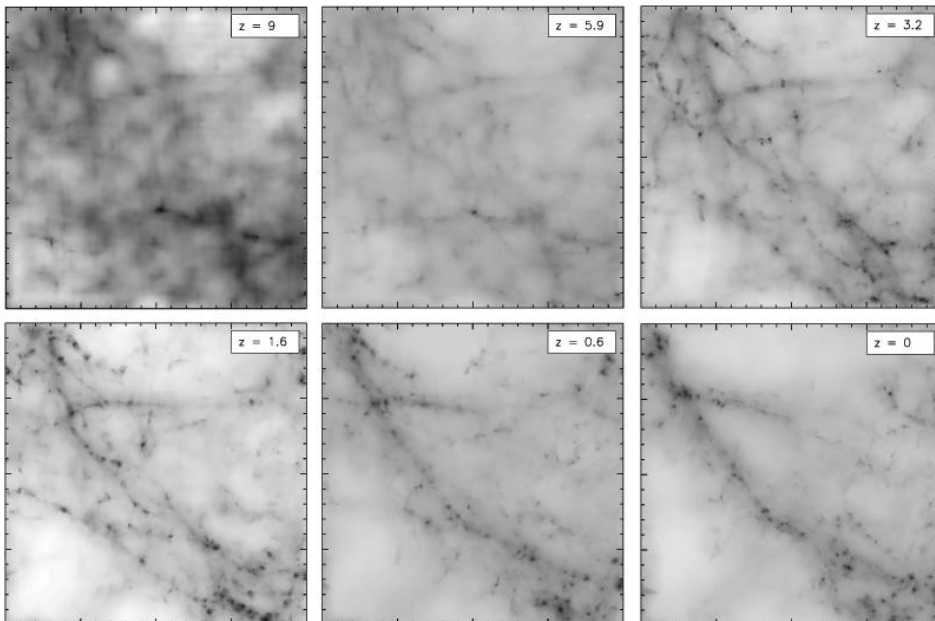


- After having collapsed into a clump, virialization and emergence cosmic object





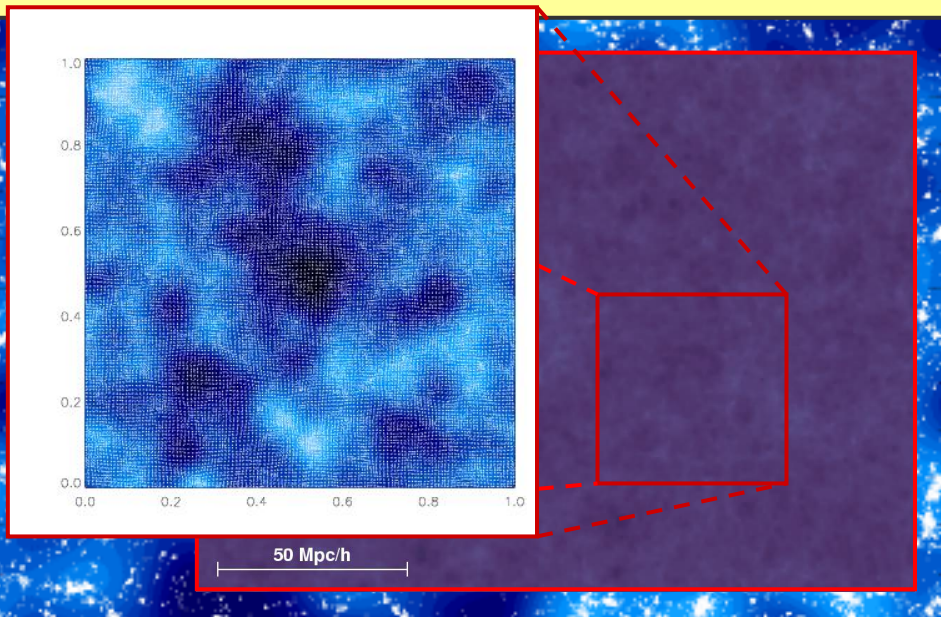
Hierarchical Filament Formation



Asymmetric Structure Formation: Void Dominance

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

III. Void Formation



III. Void Formation

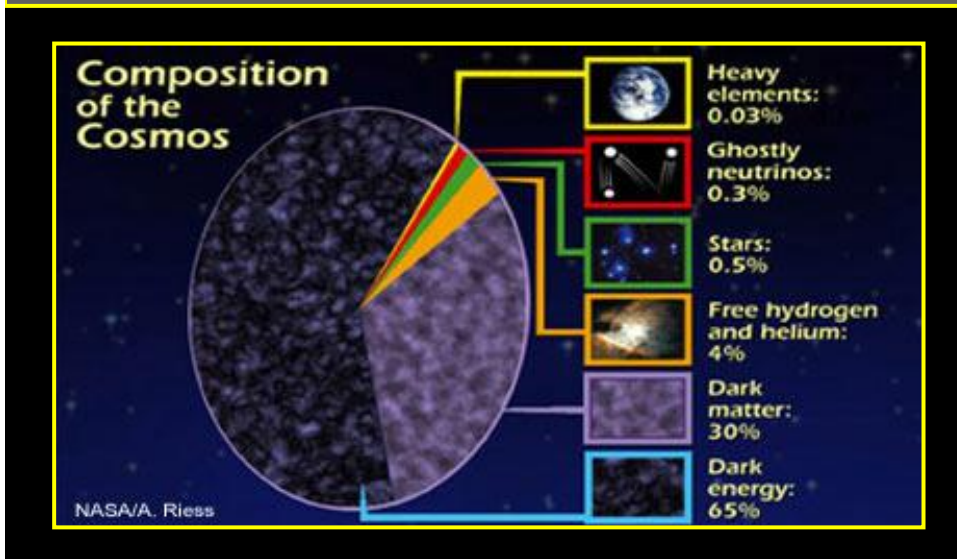
Origin of Voids:

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

Structure Formation:

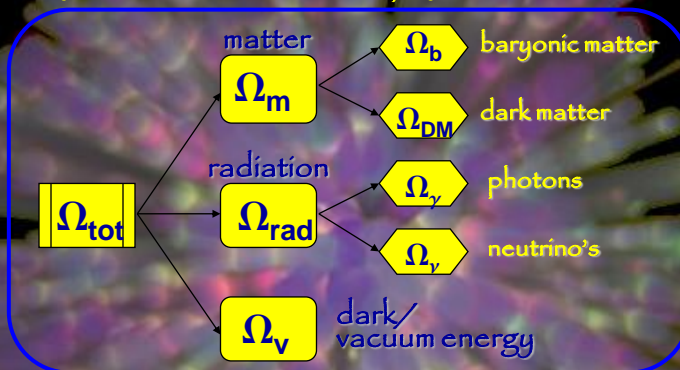
Cosmic
Constituents

The Universe; What it consists of



Constituents of the Universe

The total energy content of Universe made up by various constituents, main ones:



In addition to the constituents mentioned in the diagram, there are contributions by e.g. gravitational waves, magnetic fields, etc. However, given the poor constraints on their contribution henceforth we will not take them into consideration.

Cosmic Energy Inventory

1	dark sector			0.954 ± 0.003
1.1	dark energy		0.72 ± 0.03	
1.2	dark matter		0.23 ± 0.03	
1.3	primeval gravitational waves		$\lesssim 10^{-10}$	
2	primeval thermal remnants			0.0010 ± 0.0005
2.1	electromagnetic radiation		$10^{-4.3 \pm 0.0}$	
2.2	neutrinos		$10^{-2.9 \pm 0.1}$	
2.3	prestellar nuclear binding energy		$-10^{-4.1 \pm 0.0}$	
3	baryon rest mass			0.045 ± 0.003
3.1	warm intergalactic plasma		0.040 ± 0.003	
3.1a	virialized regions of galaxies	0.024 ± 0.005		
3.1b	intergalactic	0.016 ± 0.005		
3.2	intracluster plasma		0.0018 ± 0.0007	
3.3	main sequence stars	spheroids and bulges	0.0015 ± 0.0004	
3.4		disks and irregulars	0.00055 ± 0.00014	
3.5	white dwarfs		0.00036 ± 0.00008	
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3.8	substellar objects		0.00014 ± 0.00007	
3.9	HI + Hel		0.00062 ± 0.00010	
3.10	molecular gas		0.00016 ± 0.00006	
3.11	planets		10^{-6}	
3.12	condensed matter		$10^{-5.6 \pm 0.3}$	
3.13	sequestered in massive black holes		$10^{-5.4(1 + \epsilon_n)}$	
4	primeval gravitational binding energy			$-10^{-6.1 \pm 0.1}$
4.1	virialized halos of galaxies		$-10^{-7.2}$	
4.2	clusters		$-10^{-6.9}$	
4.3	large-scale structure		$-10^{-6.2}$	

Fukugita & Peebles 2004

Cosmic Constituents: Equation of State

The energy content of the Universe may be broadly divided into various classes, dependent on how their (approximate) equation of state.

The equations of state for the three classes of cosmologically relevant constituents:

radiation	$p(\rho) = \frac{1}{3} \rho c^2$	$\Rightarrow w = \frac{1}{3}$	
matter	$p(\rho) = 0$	$\Rightarrow w = 0$	
dark energy	$p(\rho) = -\rho c^2$	$\Rightarrow w = -1$	(Λ)
	$= w \rho c^2$	$\Rightarrow -1 < w < -1/3$	(general)
	$= w \rho c^2$	$\Rightarrow w < -1$	(phantom)

Cosmic Constituents

The energy content of the Universe may be broadly divided into various classes, dependent on how their energy density evolves in time. The three most important ones are:

- Matter: $\rho_m \propto a(t)^{-3}$
 - Radiation: $\rho_{rad} \propto a(t)^{-4}$
 - Dark Energy: $\rho_\Lambda = cst.$
- $$\rho_v = a(t)^{-3(1+w)} \iff p = w \rho_v$$
- $$\Downarrow w = -1$$

Inventory for a Flat Universe

$$\Omega_{rad} \approx 10^{-5}$$

$$\Omega_{matter} \approx 0.3$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_\Lambda \approx 0.7 \iff$$

Inventory for a Flat Universe

$$\Omega_{tot} = \Omega_{matter} + \Omega_{rad} + \Omega_{\Lambda} = 1$$

Precisely Enough Energy to Close Universe !!!!



$$k = 0$$

Constituents & Structure Formation

What is the role of Radiation in structure formation:

- Radiation:
 - Presently, minor energy component ($\Omega_{rad} \sim 10^{-5}$)
 - But, by far, most abundant species in the Universe ($\eta \sim 10^9$)
 - by good approximation, nearly all photons in the Universe
Cosmic Microwave Background (stellar photons negligible)

Cosmic Microwave Background: Some Facts

Radiation Field of the Universe:

0) Discovered in 1965 (serendipitously) by **Penzias & Wilson**,
Nobel prize 1978 !!!!!

- Thermal radiation pervading throughout the whole Universe
- As yet it has a temperature of

$$T_{\gamma} = 2.725 \text{ K}$$

1) By far CMB photons represent the most abundant species in the Universe:

$$n_{\gamma} \sim 415 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

- For comparison: $n_{\gamma}/n_{\text{B}} \sim 1.9 \times 10^9$!!!! (second: cosmic neutrino's)
- Stellar photons: negligible !!!! (integrated over all stars at all times!)

Cosmic Microwave Background: Some Facts

7) CMB highly (impressively) **isotropic**:

- in each direction on the sky the radiation has almost exactly the same temperature/intensity

- temperature anisotropies **VERY SMALL**, in the order of

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

- for comparison:

Planet Earth's highest mountain would be in the order 10-25 m !!!!!

8) The electromagnetic spectrum of the CMB **PERFECTLY**

Thermal Blackbody (most accurately measured BB spectrum ever):

$$I_{\nu}(T) = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{\exp\left(\frac{h\nu}{kT}\right) - 1}$$

Cosmic Microwave Background: Some Facts

6) CMB photons **Last Scattered**

379,000 yrs. after Big Bang

at a redshift $z=1089$ (ie. expansion factor $a(t)=1/1089$)

7) Following the - **Decoupling of Radiation and (Baryonic) Matter**

- **Recombination Hydrogen Atoms**
(as protons and electrons combine)

8) At recombination $T \sim 3000$ K: the (CMB) sky would look red

Since then, gradual cooling of radiation through expansion Universe:

- cosmic redshift photons

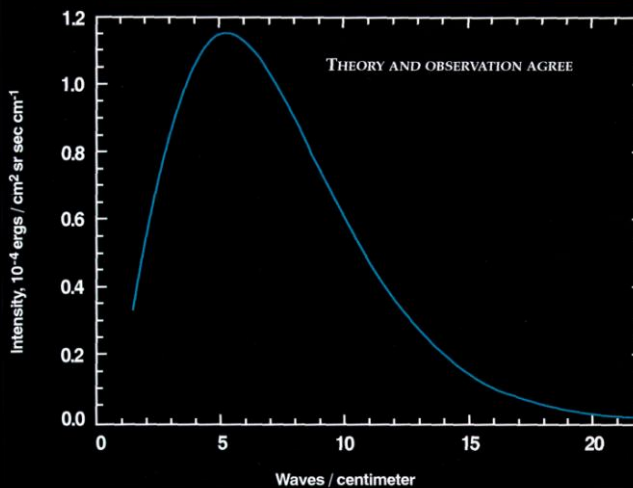
9) The CMB photons **created** at much earlier epoch !!!

Last surge: **positron-electron annihilation,**

1 min. after Big Bang, redshift $z \sim 10^9$

Spectrum Blackbody Radiation

COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND SPECTRUM FROM COBE



• John Mather

• COBE-DIRBE:
temperature, blackbody

• Most accurately measured
Black Body Spectrum
Ever!!!!

Key to the Universe

CMB Radiation, the cosmic radiation field of the Universe,
Cosmic Treasure Trove:

- 1) Direct probe of Thermal State of the early primordial Universe, the Universe before Decoupling:
Ultimate Proof Reality of Hot Big Bang
- 2) Direct reflection of Primordial Structure of the Universe, the Embryonic State of all Structure in today's Universe
- 3) Through its simplicity (linearity) the ultimate diagnostic tool for measuring the Universe:
Cosmic Parameters
- 4) Link on early decisive hypothetical/theoretical ($t \approx 10^{-36} - 10^{-34}$ sec)
Inflationary Epoch

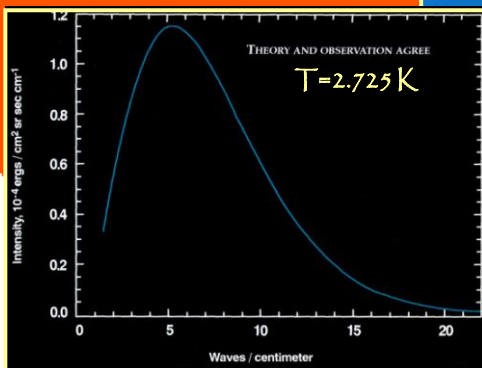
Constituents & Structure Formation

What is the role of Radiation in structure formation:

- Before Equivalence ($z_{eq} \sim 10^4$):
 - Dynamically dominant
- Until Recombination:
 - still major physical constituent of the Universe
 - important as main pressure source
 - couples intimately to baryonic matter
- After Recombination:
 - plays modulating role in gas processes in early galaxy formation

Cosmic Microwave Background

Big Bang: The CMB photons produced at $z \sim 10^9$ visible as a perfectly thermal and isotropic radiation blanket



Discovered in 1965 by
Penzias & Wilson
(Nobel prize 1978)

Constituents & Structure Formation

What is the role of Matter in structure formation:

- Matter:
 - Baryonic Matter
 - Dark (nonbaryonic) Matter
- Dark Matter:
 - THE major component for cosmic structure formation:
 - gravitationally dominant for structure growth
 - dominant for shaping spectrum perturbations
- Baryonic Matter:
 - Gravitationally far less important than DM
 - Yet, its dissipative nature allows the formation of stars, galaxies, etc.

Baryonic Matter

Note:

- STARS are but a fraction of the total amount of baryonic matter
- There is still a large amount of undetected baryonic matter:
 - hiding as warm Intergalactic Gas (WHIM) ?

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3.13	sequestered in massive black holes		10 ^{-5.4} (1 + ε _n)	

Cosmic Structure Formation

It is important to realize the distinct difference between the evolution of the dark matter perturbations and those in baryonic matter.

Dark Matter:

- Dark matter is the dominant gravitational component of the universe, and thus also drives the structure formation process.
- The perturbations in the gravitationally dominant (collisionless) dark matter component started growing after matter came to dominate cosmic dynamics, i.e. after radiation-matter equivalence.

Baryonic Matter:

- Fluctuations in baryonic matter were enabled to grow only once radiation pressure disappeared, i.e. after decoupling epoch.
- Baryonic matter fluctuations start to grow strongly through infall into the gravitational potential wells defined by the developing dark matter perturbations.

Constituents & Structure Formation

What is the role of Dark Energy in structure formation:

- Dark Energy - Perturbations in dark energy cannot grow
 - Minor dynamic role on Megaparsec scales
 - Major influence concerns that of determining the timescales available for structure growth
 - Minor factor in shaping power spectrum

Cosmic Acceleration

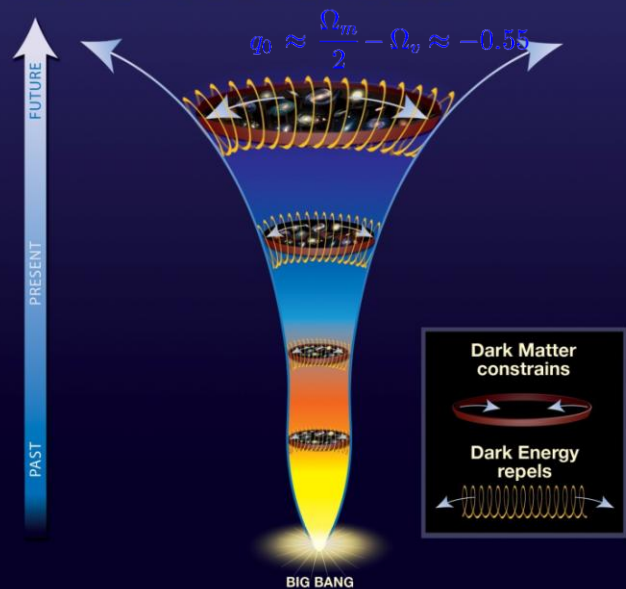
Our Universe

Present:
ACCELERATES

Past:
DECELERATED

Cosmic tug of war

The force of dark energy surpasses that of dark matter as time progresses.



Structure Formation: Inflationary Origins

Inflationary Origins

Inflationary Origin of Cosmic Structure:

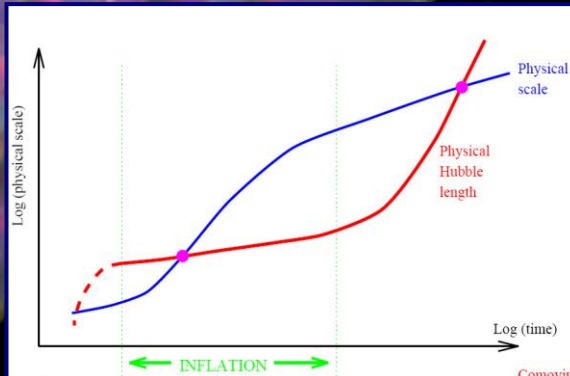
- **Primordial Quantum Noise** (due to uncertainty principle)
- **becomes seeds for structure today**
- **at inflation the fluct's expanded to superhorizon size**

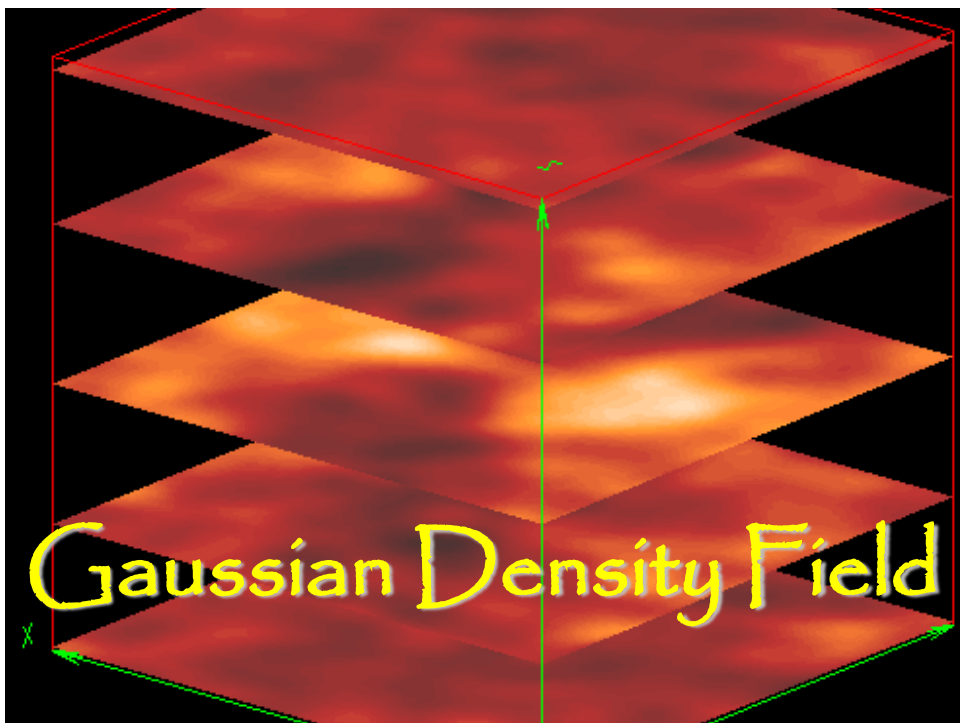
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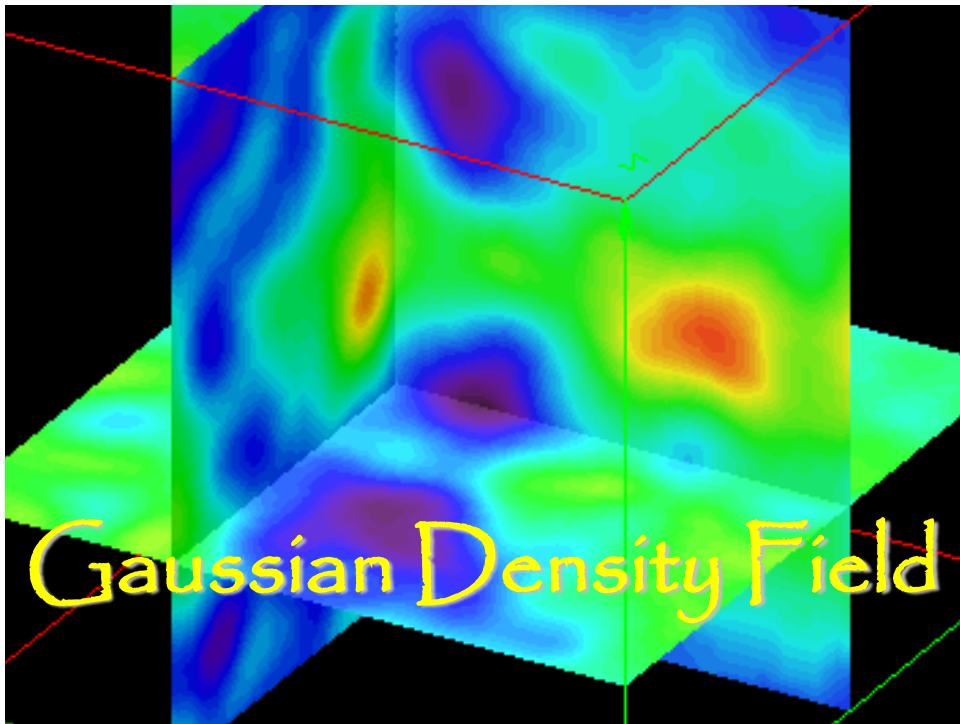
- **Gaussian fluctuations**
- **Adiabatic fluctuations**
(radiation & matter equally perturbed)
- **Near scale-free potential perturbations:**

$$P(k) \sim k^n$$

$$n \approx 0.96$$







Structure Formation:

Power
Spectrum

Primordial Perturbation Growth

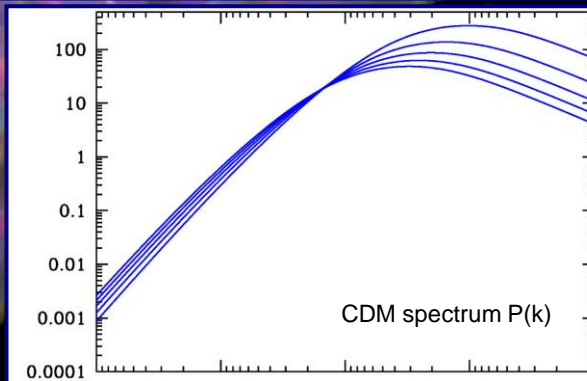
Once fluctuations "entered" the cosmic horizon, they can start growing ...

Growth dependent on a series of modulating processes, eg.:

Baryon perturbations
held up by pressure (Jeans!)

Dark Matter:
- starts growth at
horizon entrance
- damps below
free-streaming:
CDM vs. HDM

Cosmic Expansion regime:
- radiation dominance:
no growth DM pert.
- matter dominance



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$$\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \hat{\delta}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

Density Perturbations in the primordial universe

Gaussian Perturbations

$$\mathcal{P}_N = \frac{\exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N f_i (M^{-1})_{ij} f_j \right]}{[(2\pi)^N (\det M)]^{1/2}} \prod_{i=1}^N df_i$$

↑

$$M_{ij} \equiv \langle f(\mathbf{x}_i) f(\mathbf{x}_j) \rangle = \xi(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j) = \xi(|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|)$$

Gaussian perturbations represent the simplest stochastic field of fluctuations imaginable. It is fully and completely characterized by its second-order moment, the autocorrelation function $\xi(r)$.

In fact, by concentrating on the contributions of the various scales and describing the field in terms of its Fourier components, we directly see that the FUNDAMENTAL function fully characterizing the Gaussian field

Power Spectrum $P(k)$

$$(2\pi)^3 P(k_1) \delta_D(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2) = \langle \hat{f}(\mathbf{k}_1) \hat{f}^*(\mathbf{k}_2) \rangle$$

Arguably, the power spectrum is the single most important function for our understanding of the cosmic structure formation process.

Power Spectrum

- Direct Characterization of contribution on different scales to inhomogeneous matter distribution
- First direct measure of inhomogeneities in spatial matter distribution
- Along with its Fourier transform, the autocorrelation function $\xi(r)$
- For Gaussian primordial field, full characterization of density field
- Directly related to potential and velocity perturbations
- Encapsulates all relevant physical processes in early Universe affecting the primordial evolution density/potential/velocity perturbations
- Highly sensitive to constituency of Universe (nature dark matter, etc.)
- This is what the early (inflationary) Universe gives us !!!

Cosmic Power Spectrum

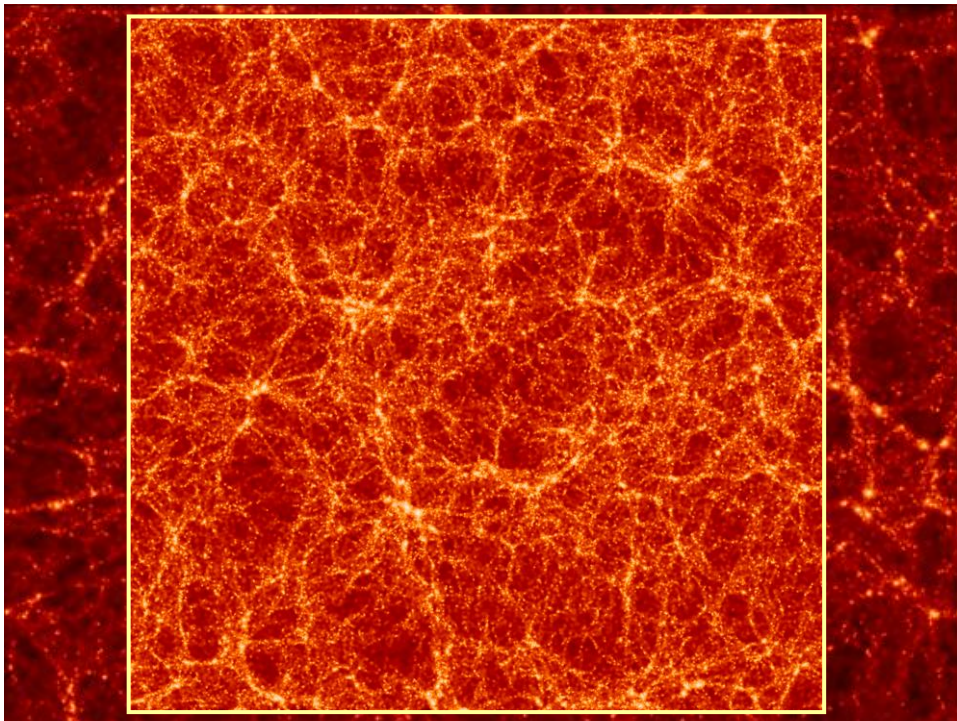
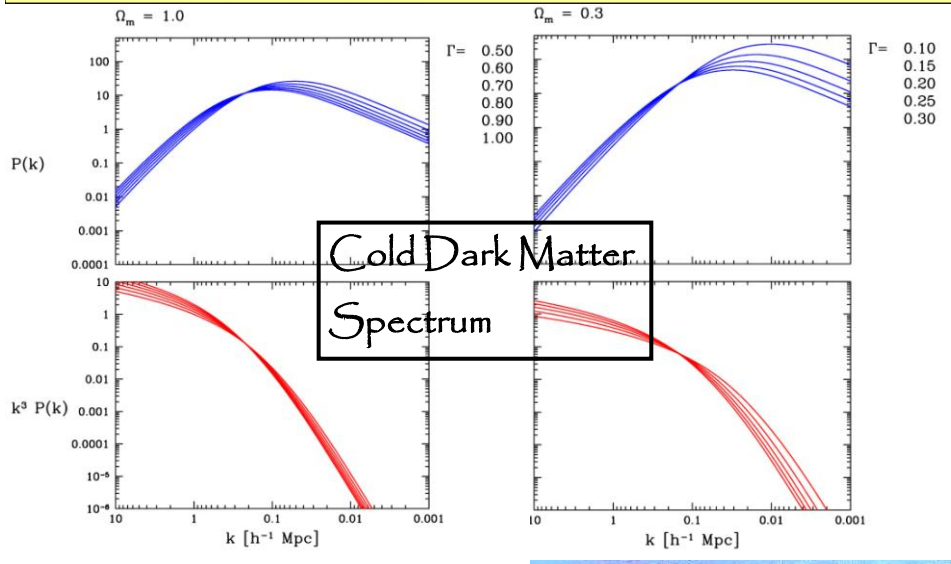
$$P(k) \propto \frac{k^n}{[1 + 3.89q + (16.1q)^2 + (5.46q)^3 + (6.71q)^4]^{1/2}} \times \frac{[\ln(1 + 2.34q)]^2}{(2.34q)^2},$$

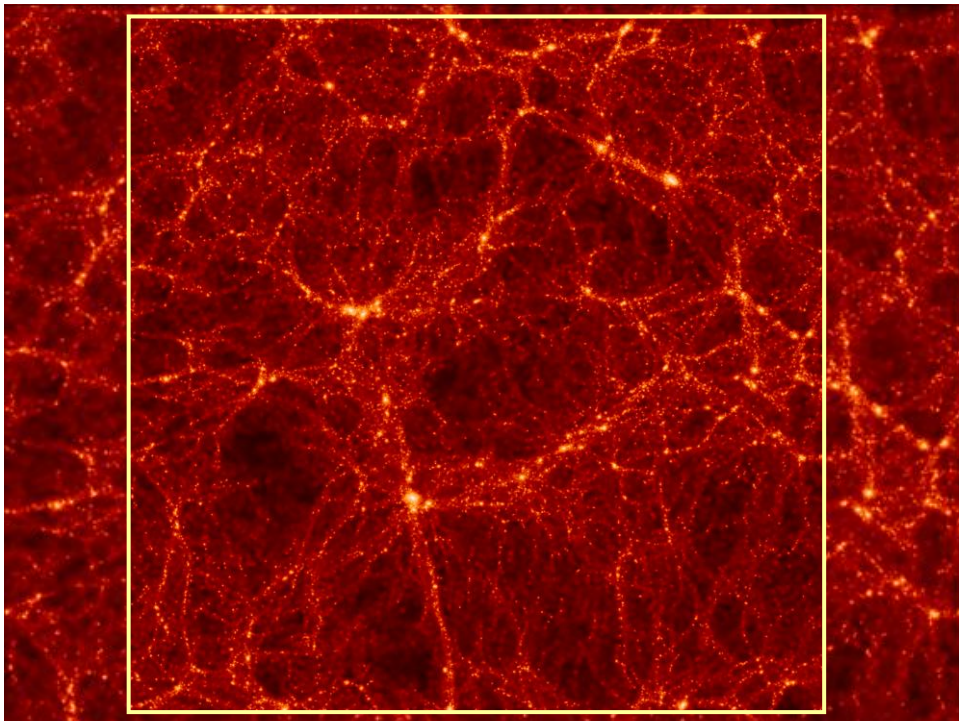
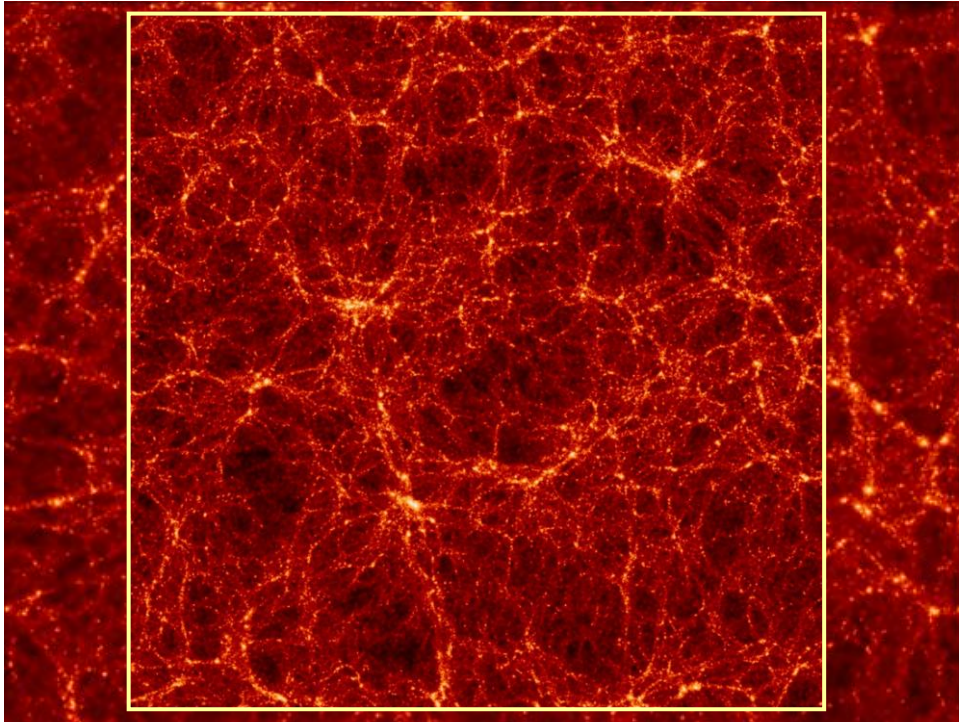
$$q = k/\Gamma$$

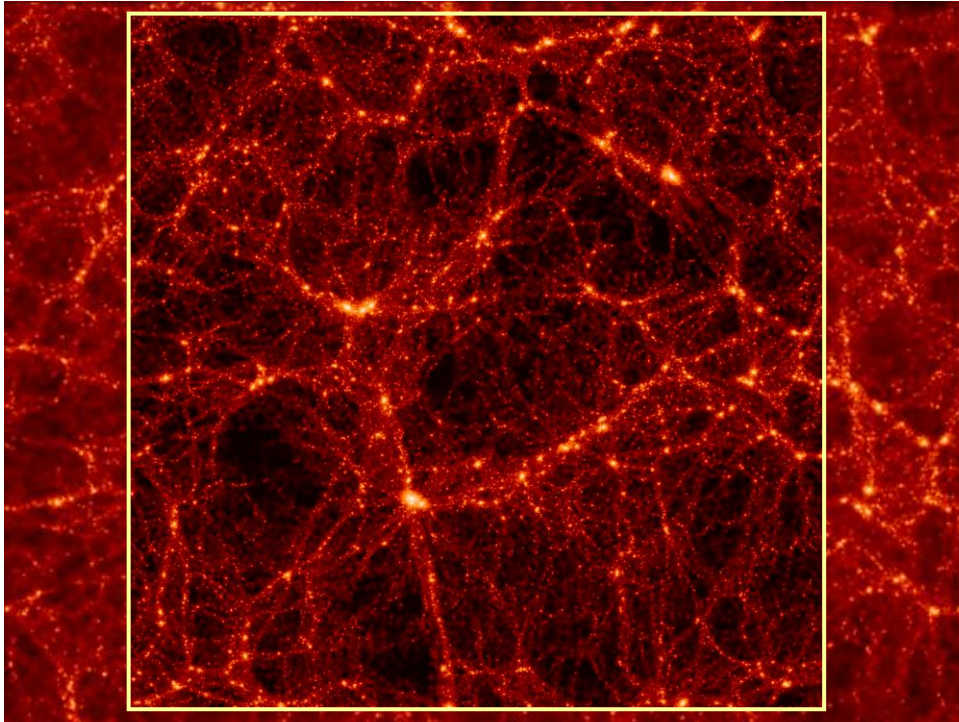
$$\Gamma = \Omega_0 h \exp(-\Omega_b - \Omega_b/\Omega_0)$$

Cold Dark Matter
Spectrum

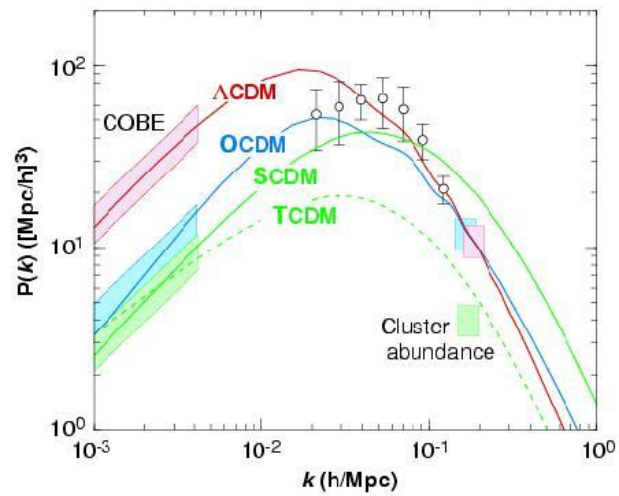
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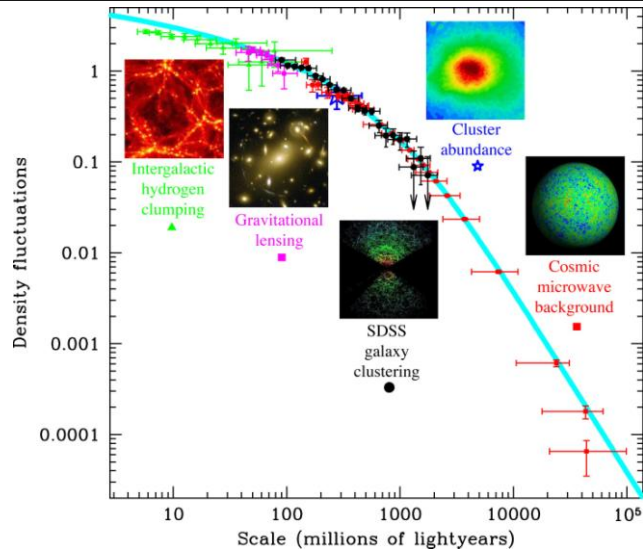




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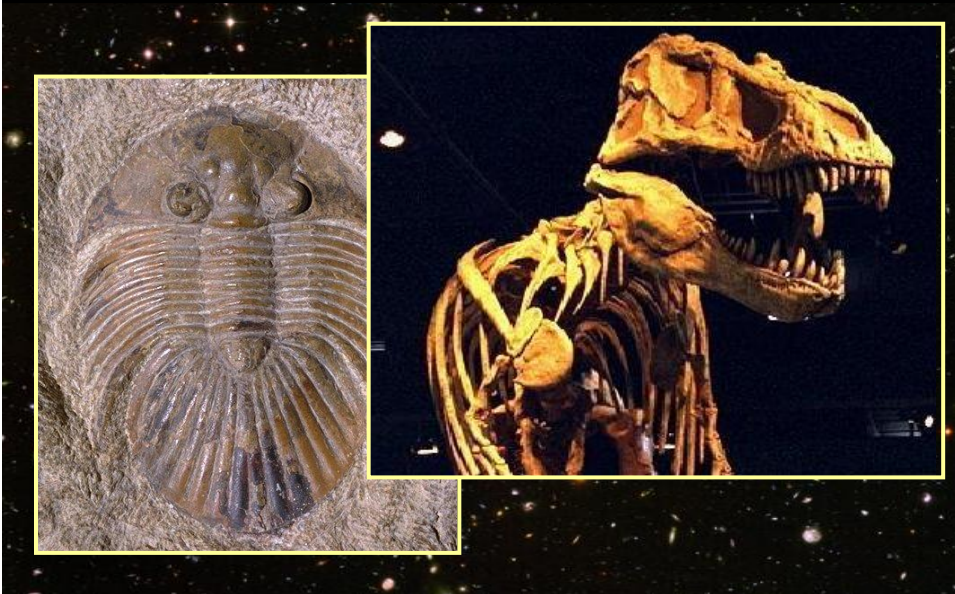


Cosmic Power Spectrum



Cosmic
Fossils

Cosmic Fossils ?



Cosmic Fossils

Which cosmic object contain direct information on emergence and growth of structure in the Universe ?

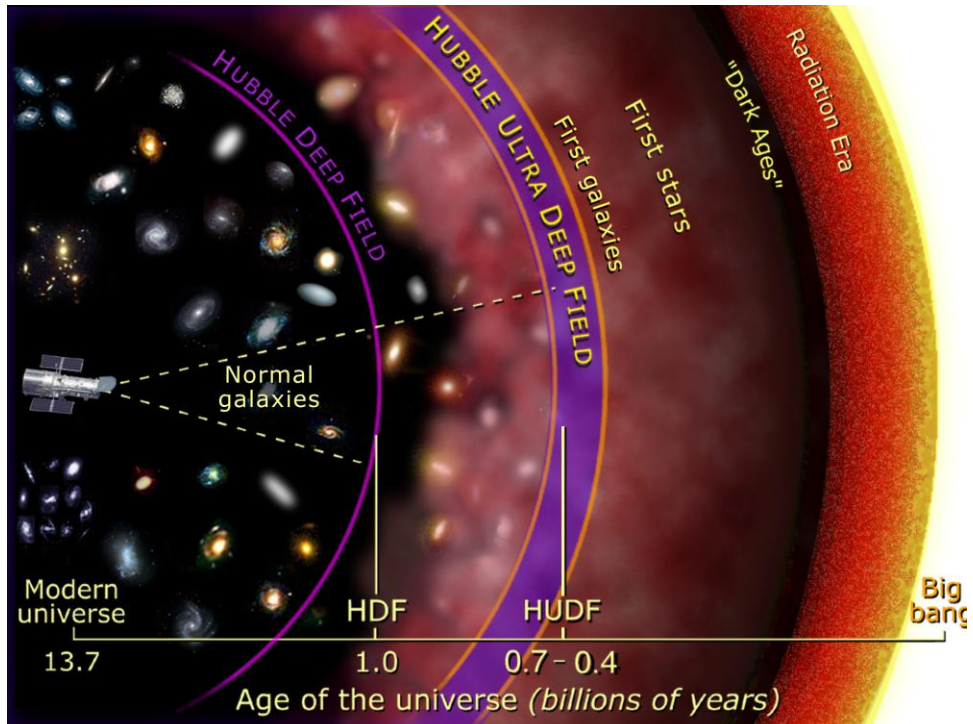
Wanted:

- Structures in youthful evolutionary phase
- Direct link with their initial conditions
- On scales of Megaparsecs, and larger, gravitational collapse only just started

Recall:

- visible (baryonic) matter but a fraction of total energy content Universe

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{rad} &\approx 10^{-5} \\ \Omega_{matter} &\approx 0.3 \\ \Rightarrow \Omega_{\Lambda} &\approx 0.7 \quad \leftarrow \end{aligned}$$



- Primordial Conditions:
 - temperature fluctuations in microwave background radiation
 - polarization Cosmic Microwave Background
 - treasure trove cosmological information
- Dynamics:
 - cosmic velocity flows
 - very difficult in practice, due to large uncertainties in distance estimate/measurements of galaxies, and hence the estimated deviations from Hubble expansion.
- Mass Distribution:
 - gravitational lensing of light by cosmic matter distribution
 - very promising, just started to yield significant results ...

- Galaxy Distribution:
 - galaxies supposed to be a fair reflection of underlying cosmic matter distribution
 - most detailed and investigated impression of cosmic matter distribution
 - nonlinear scales: tracing the Cosmic Web
 - Megaparsec linear scales: measuring the Power Spectrum
 - Gigaparsec linear scales: Baryonic Oscillations
Primordial Power Spectrum
 - High redshift galaxies: tracing young Universe, early stages galaxy formation

But: formation and evolution of galaxies still a notoriously understood problem, so that the relation between matter and galaxy distribution is as yet not unequivocally clear.
- Quasars & AGN
 - tracing the large scale matter distribution on scales of hundreds Mpc
 - but: largely unknown how they relate to the matter/galaxy distribution

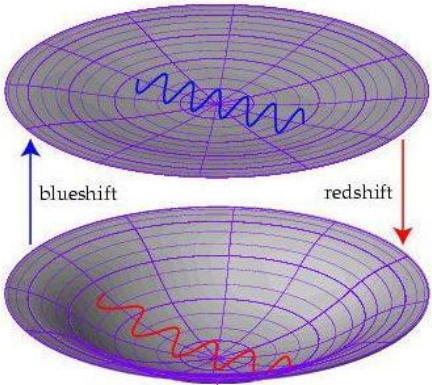
- Clusters of Galaxies
 - spatial distribution tracer Cosmic Web
 - internal structure dictated by primordial perturbations
 - Hot intracluster gas. (10^8 K) - accurate tracer potential cluster
 - easily observable via X-rays
- Gaseous Cosmic Web
 - Baryonic gas traces the Cosmic Web:

Ly α forest	neutral hydrogen gas, mostly at high z
WHIM	shock-heated gas settled in cosmic web
- Distribution & Physical State Gas @ Dark Ages
 - First Stars & Galaxies
 - Reionization of baryonic gas: very sensitive measure cosmology
- Structure of Galaxies
 - Mass distribution galaxies
 - Internal phase-space structure galaxy haloes

Embryonic Structure: CMB: Rippling the Photons

CMB Perturbations

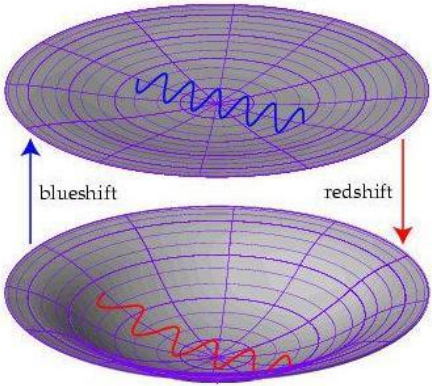
Metric Stretching



- As a result of perturbations in Gravitational potential photons experience frequency shift
- While travelling through perturbation:
 - Gravitational Redshift +
 - (Relativistic) Time Dilation
- Combined effect: Sachs-Wolfe Effect

Sachs-Wolfe Effect

Metric Stretching



Sachs-Wolfe Effect

$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} \sim \frac{1}{3} \frac{\Delta \Phi}{c^2}$$

Cosmic Microwave Background

COBE (1992):

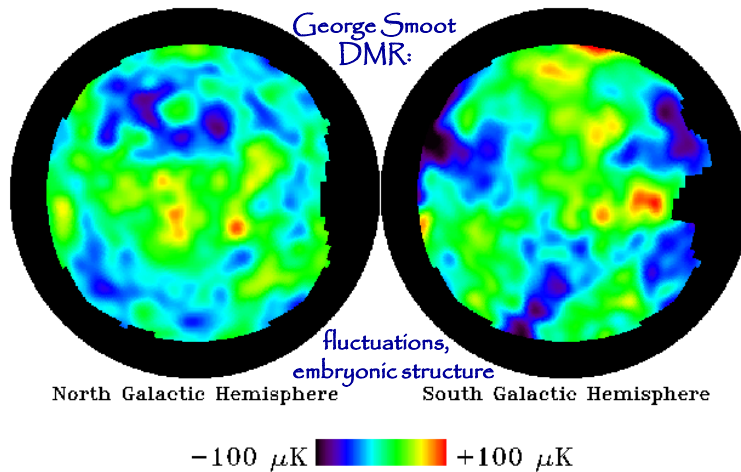
Accurate measurement
Planck spectrum CMB

First detection angular
temperature perturbations
($\theta \sim 7^\circ$): Sachs-Wolfe effect

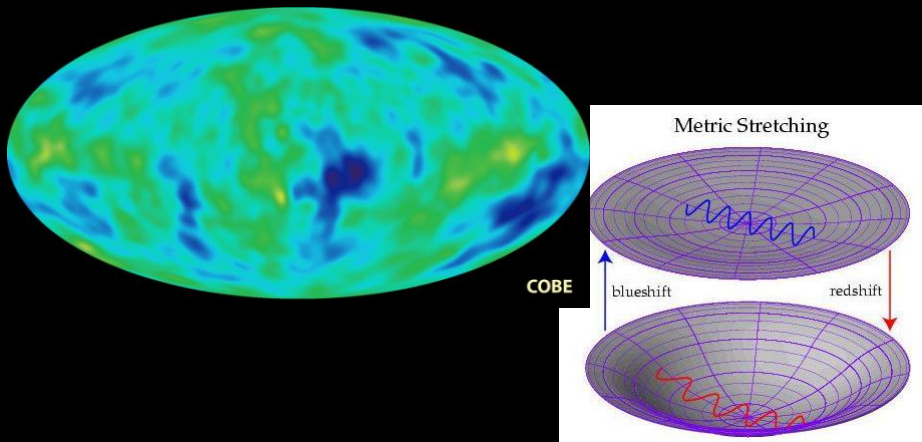


Primordial Anisotropies CMB sky

COBE-DMR Map of CMB Anisotropy



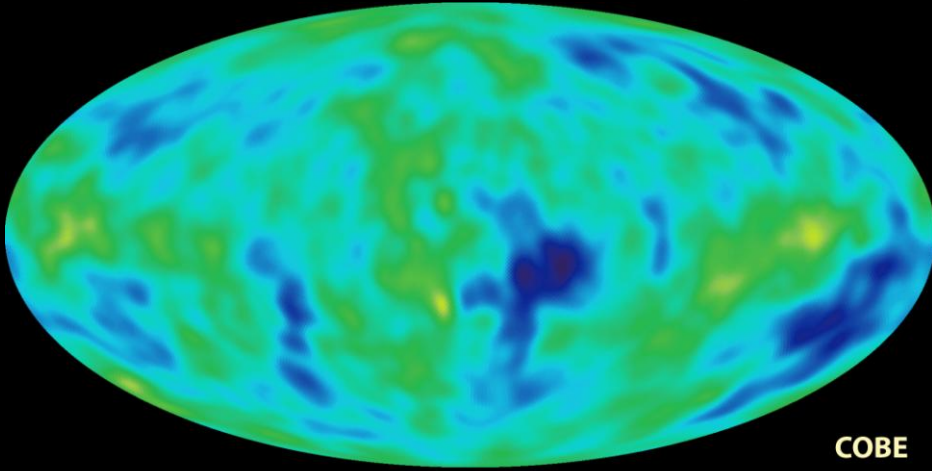
Cosmic Microwave Background



Map of the Universe at Recombination Epoch:


- 379,000 years after Big Bang
- Superhorizon perturbations in gravitational potential (Sachs-Wolfe)
- $\Delta T/T < 10^{-5}$

Cosmic Microwave Background



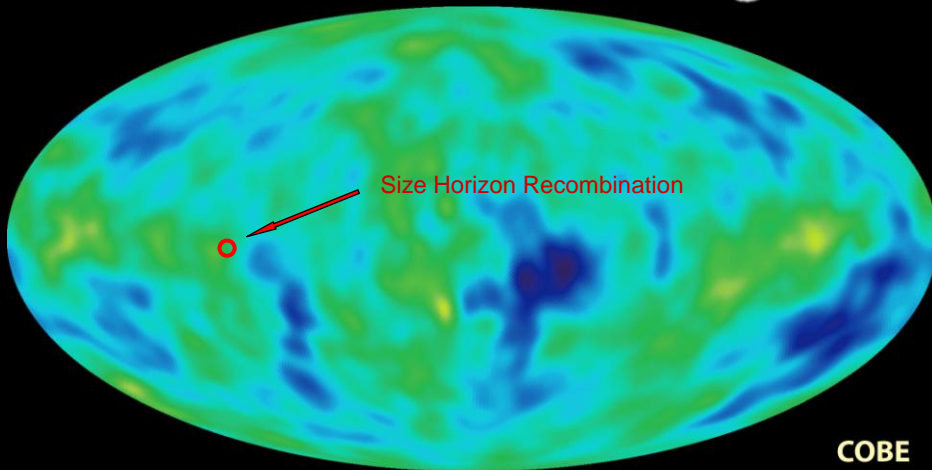
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Superhorizon
Perturbations

Cosmic Microwave Background



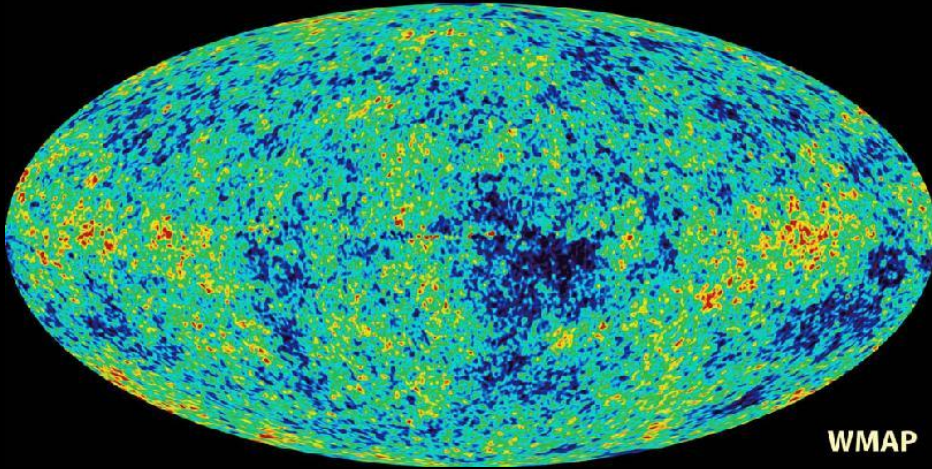
COBE measured fluctuations: $> 7^\circ$
Size Horizon at Recombination spans angle $\sim 1^\circ$

How can it be that regions totally out of thermal contact, would have the same temperature?



Resolving
Fluctuations

Cosmic Microwave Background

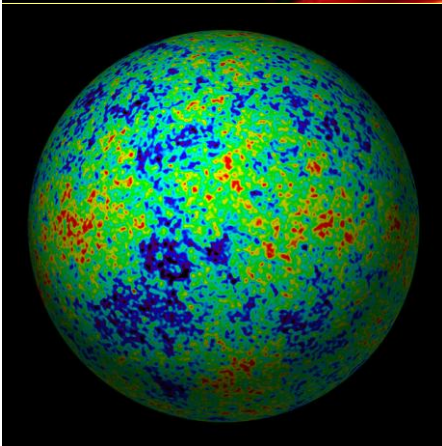


WMAP

Map of the Universe at Recombination Epoch:

- 379,000 years after Big Bang
- Subhorizon perturbations: primordial sound waves
- $\Delta T/T < 10^{-5}$

Temperature Anisotropies

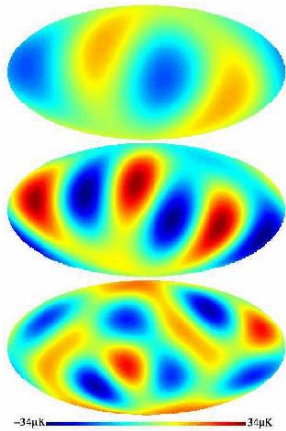


Temperature Perturbations in terms of
Spherical Harmonics:

$$T(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{l,m} a_{lm} Y_l^m(\theta, \phi)$$

$$\phi \sim \frac{\pi}{l} \sim \frac{180^\circ}{l}$$

Temperature Anisotropies

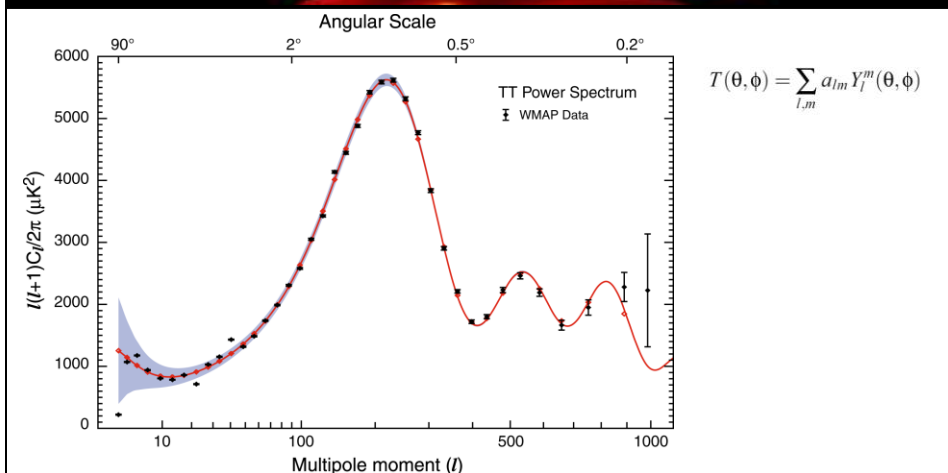


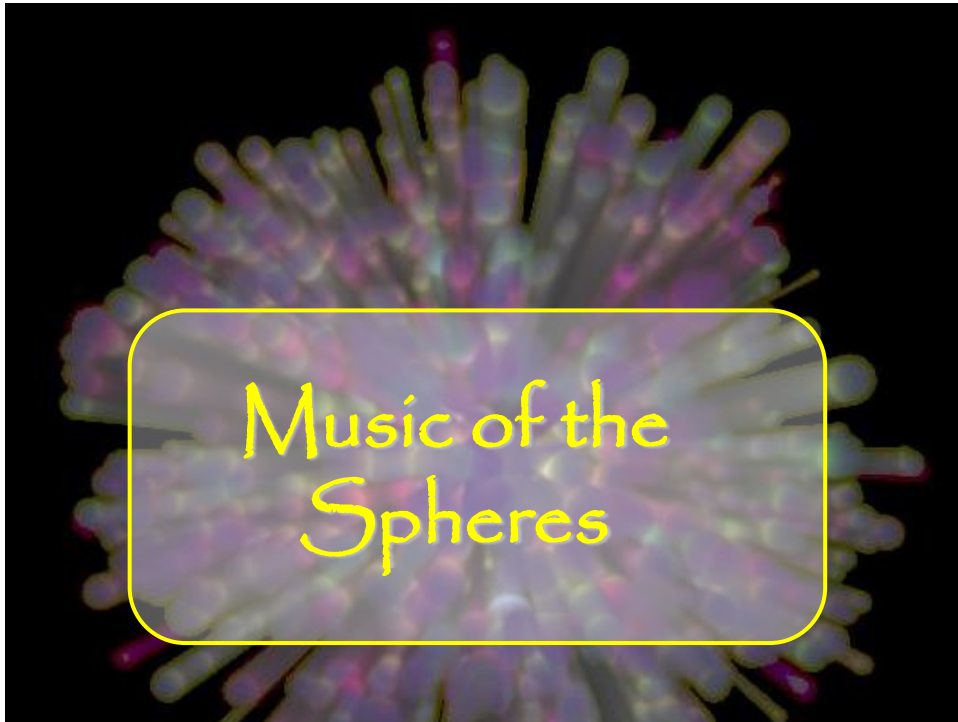
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CMB Power Spectrum





Cosmic Microwave Background

- small ripples in primordial matter & photon plasma
- gravity compresses primordial photon gas, photon pressure resists:
- compressions and rarefactions in photon gas:
 - ➔ sound waves
- sound waves not heard, but seen:
 - compressions: (photon) temperature higher
 - rarefactions: lower

Seeing Sound

For graphics & science
see website Wayne Hu

- Colliding electrons, protons and photons forms a plasma
- Acts like a gas
- Compressional disturbance propagates in the plasma through collisions

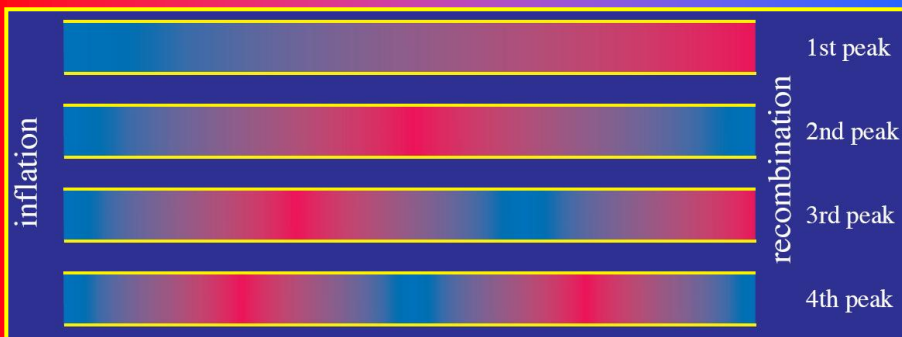


- Unlike sound in the air:
 - air molecules travel $\approx 10^{-5}$ cm before colliding
 - in primordial plasma, photons travel 10^4 pc
- Unlike sound in the air:
 - we do not hear it but see it in the CMB
 - compression heats the gas resulting in a hot spot in the CMB

Piper at the Gates of Dawn

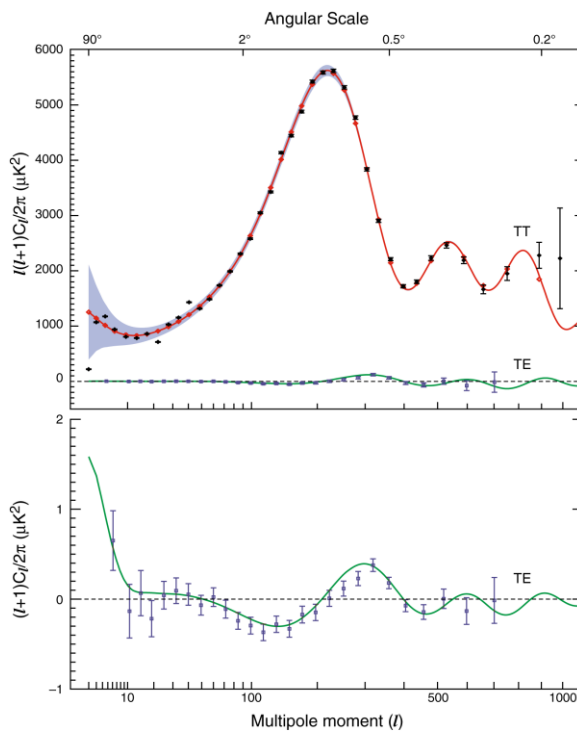
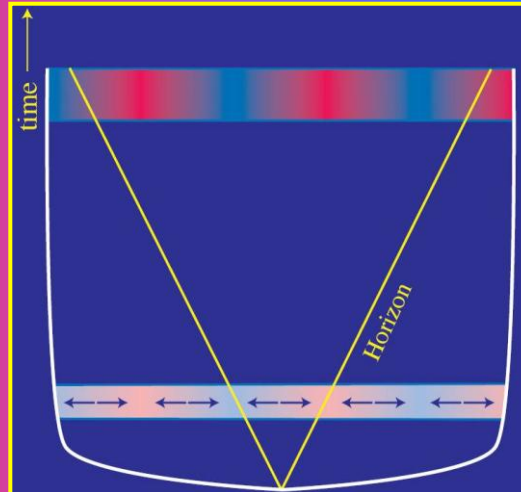
- Like blowing into a flute or an open pipe
- Spectrum of sound contains a

Fundamental frequency & Harmonic overtones



Piper at the Gates of Dawn

- Inflation is the source of sound waves at the beginning of time
- Sound waves are frozen at recombination, yielding a harmonic spectrum of frequencies that reach maximum displacement



CMB

Angular power spectrum

WMAP3

Temperature fluctuations

Temperature-Polarization

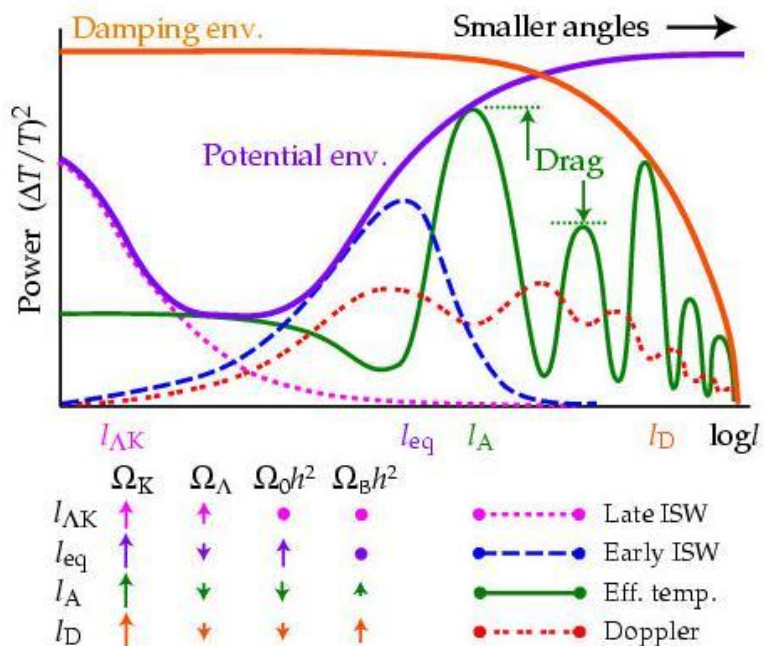
$$C_l \propto \langle a_{lm} a_{lm}^* \rangle$$

$$C_l \propto l(l+1)$$

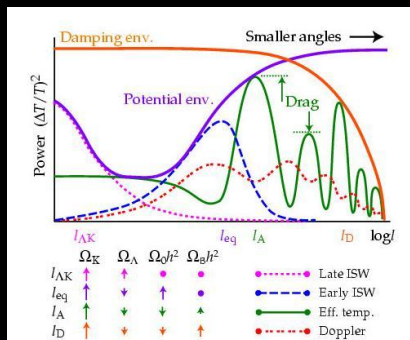
$$P(k) \propto k$$

Harmonic Signature

- Identify structure and composition of the Universe
 - through detailed examination of the pattern of overtones on the fundamental frequency
 - much like using them for a music instrument
- Observed frequency spectrum consistent with inflationary origin:
 - spectrum of cosmic sound has harmonics at **integer ratios of fundamental**
- Without inflation, fluctuations should have been generated at intermediate times
- This would have destroyed the harmonic structure of the peaks (like drilling holes in an organ pipe)



Music of the Spheres

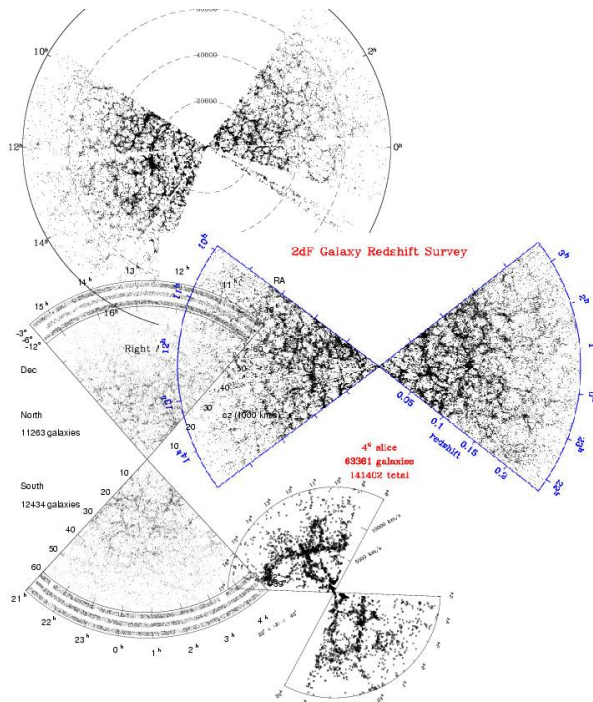


Total Angular CMB Spectrum modulated by combination of several effects, the Primary Perturbations

- 1) Sachs-Wolfe potential fluctuations,
- 2) Acoustic perturbations
as the corresponding potential fluct.
enter horizon and start to collapse
- 3) Integrated Sachs-Wolfe
potential perturbations:
 - Early ISW: matter/radiation at recomb.
 - Late ISW: expansion influence curvature
& cosmological constant
- 4) Doppler perturbations
velocity fluct. accompanying potential pert.
- 5) Silk Damping
radiation damping of fluctuations

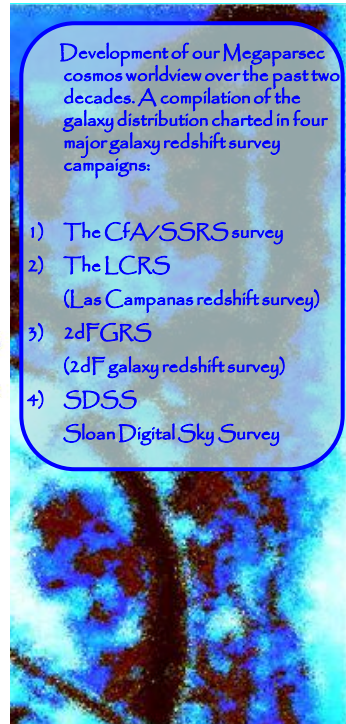
Modulating Influences

- Silk Damping:
 - photons diffuse out of matter perturbations
 - fluctuations with size < photon free-streaming length get suppressed
 - harmonic structure beyond third peak seriously damped
- Integrated Sachs-Wolfe effect:
 - damping/boosting temperature fluctuations due to decay/growth potential perturbations:
 - * Early ISW: while still radiation-dominated, potential DM fluct's grow less, suppression of temp. fluct.
 - * Late ISW: as Dark Energy takes over universe, potential wells decay (due to accelerated expansion)



Development of our Megaparsec cosmos worldview over the past two decades. A compilation of the galaxy distribution charted in four major galaxy redshift survey campaigns:

- 1) The CfA/SSRS survey
- 2) The LCRS
(Las Campanas redshift survey)
- 3) 2dFGRS
(2dF galaxy redshift survey)
- 4) SDSS
Sloan Digital Sky Survey



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.

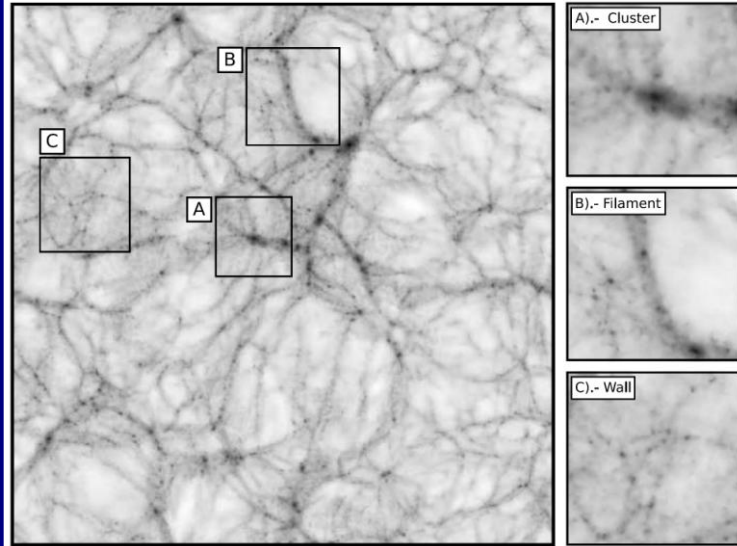
While its complex cellular morphology involves one of the most outstanding and evident aspects of the Cosmic foam, it has also remained one defying simple definitions which may be the cause of it having remained one of the least addressed aspects. The geometry of the cosmic foam may be described as a 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

Stochastic
Spatial
Pattern of

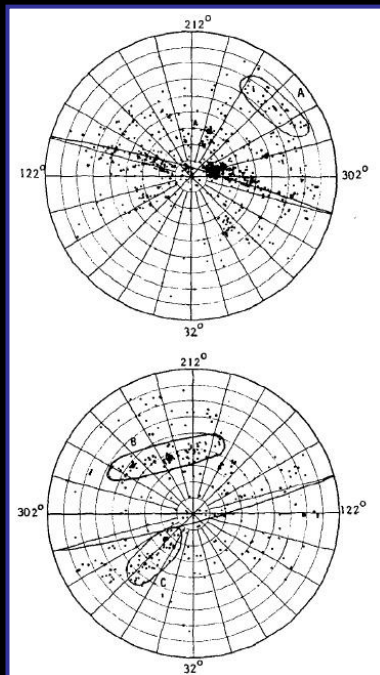
- Clusters,
- Filaments &
- Walls
around
- Voids

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



The Cosmic Web:
A Census

Sky Maps: world all around us



Early Views

Shapley-Ames catalog (1932) of nearby galaxies:

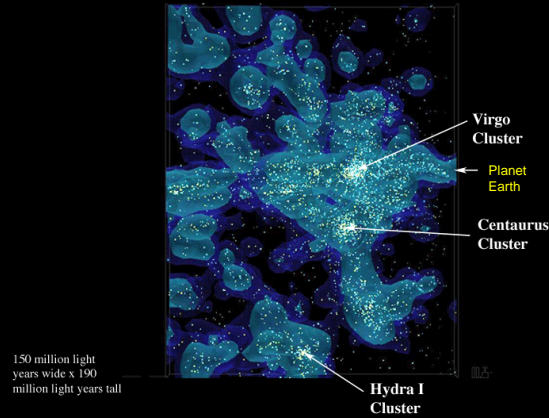
All-sky survey of galaxies to $m=18.3$

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

- 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)

The Local Supercluster

End-on View of the Local Supercluster:

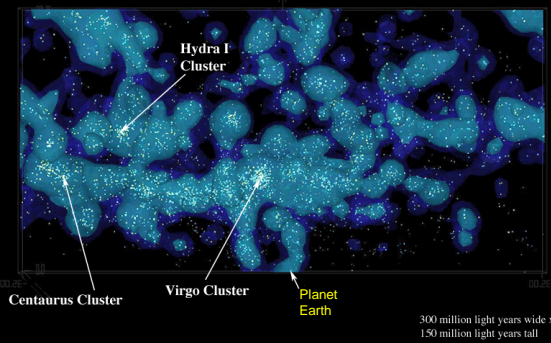


Our Local Group finds itself located at the outer region of a large supercluster region,

- the "Local Supercluster",
- a large flattened mass concentration $\sim 10 h^{-1}$ Mpc in size,
- centered on one rich cluster, the Virgo cluster

The Local Supercluster

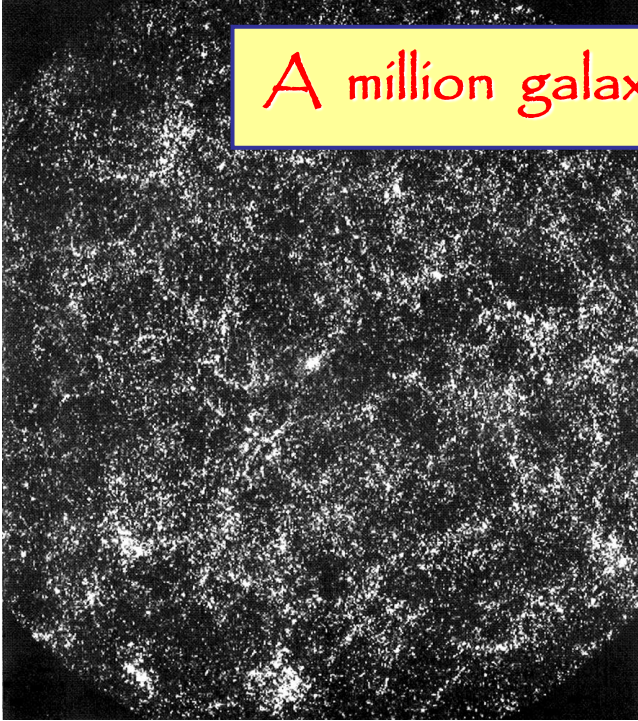
Polar View of Local Supercluster:



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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:

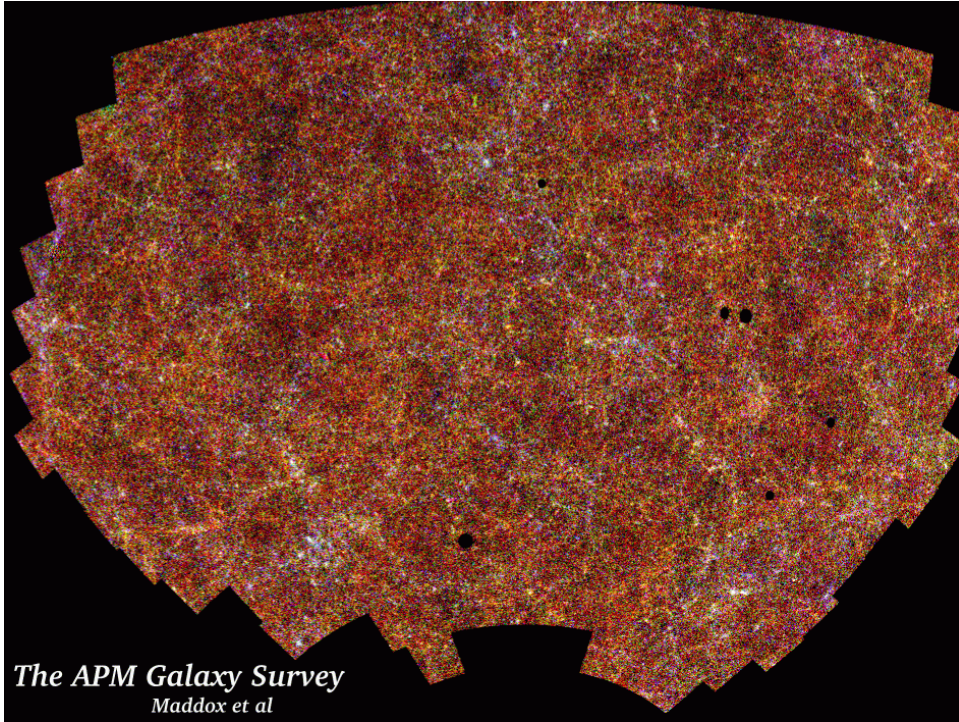
- Clearly visible are clusters
- hint of filamentary LSS features, embedding clusters

APM survey

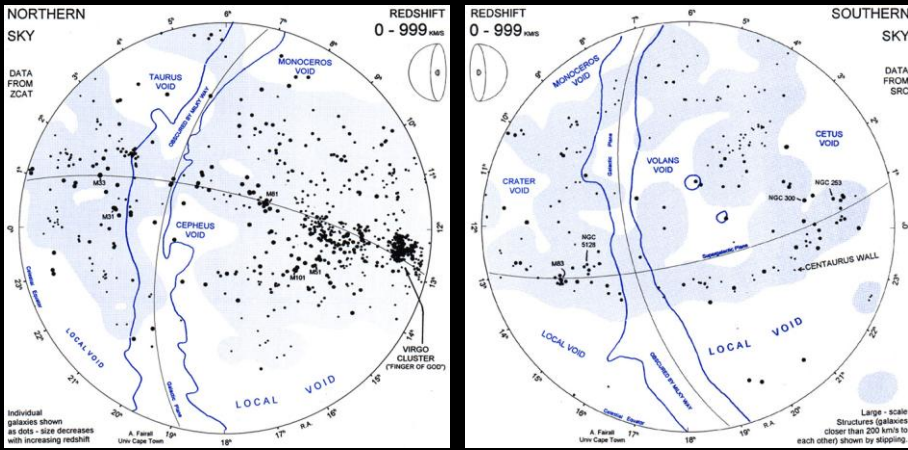
- Sky map:
 - 2×10^6 galaxies
 - $17 < m < 20.5$
- Uniformly defined
- Sky region:
 - 4300 sq. deg.
 - 185 UK Schmidt plates, $6^\circ \times 6^\circ$
- Large inhomogeneities, hints of weblike patterns, with clusters at densest regions.

courtesy:

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

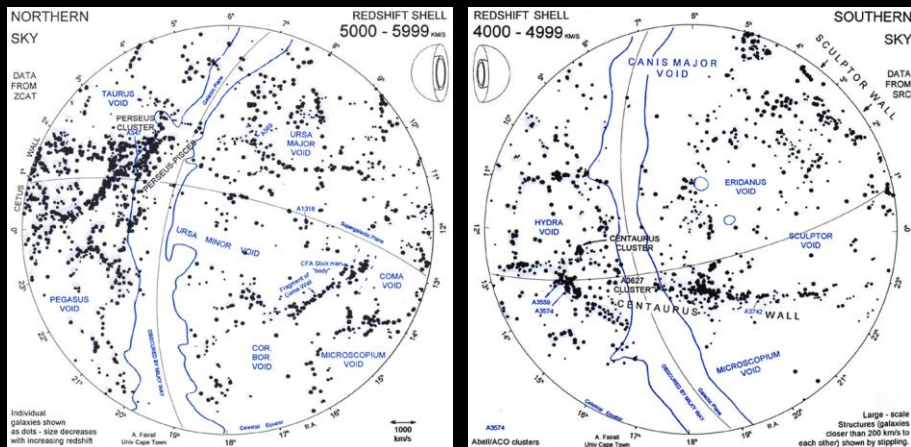


Local Views



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

Local Views: Moving into Foam



Tony Fairall's nearby LSS map: at $cz = 5000 - 5999$ km/s clear views of local cosmic web

2MASS survey

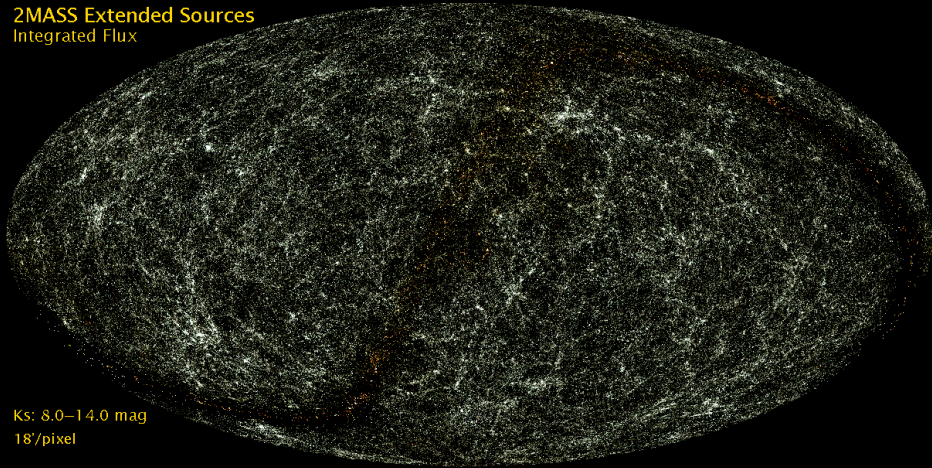
- 2MASS all-sky survey: ground-based near-infrared survey whole sky, $J(1.2 \mu\text{m})$, $H(1.6 \mu\text{m})$, $K(2.2 \mu\text{m})$
- 2MASS extended source catalog (XSC): 1.5 million galaxies
- unbiased sample nearby galaxies
- photometric redshifts: depth in 2MASS maps, "cosmic web" of (nearby) superclusters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

courtesy:

T. Jarrett

The Cosmic Web

2MASS Extended Sources
Integrated Flux



Ks: 8.0–14.0 mag
18"/pixel

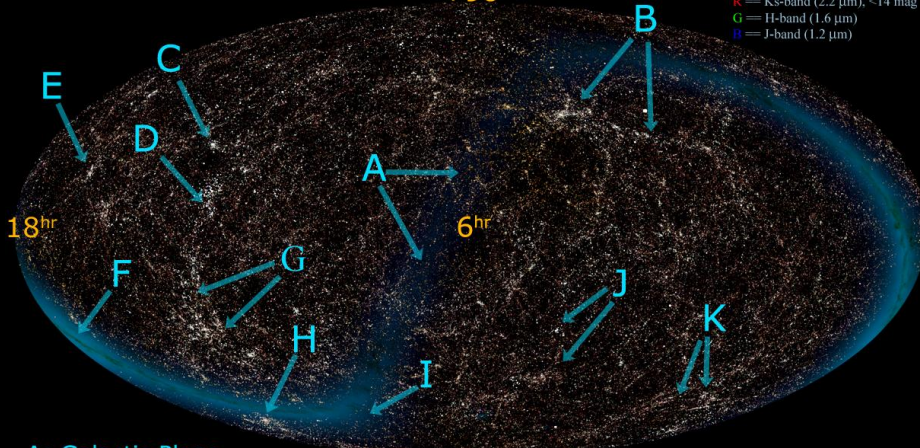
Looking around us we already see the unmistakable signatures of an intriguing foaml like matter distribution in our immediate Cosmic Vicinity.

Identity of Local Structures along local Cosmic Web.

2MASS Local Universe

+90°

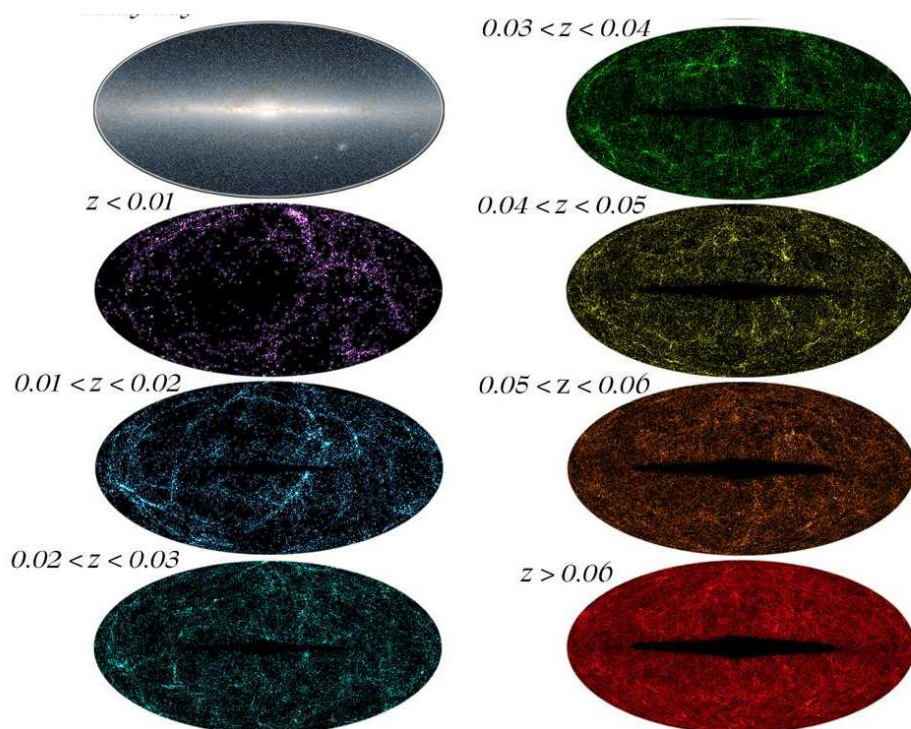
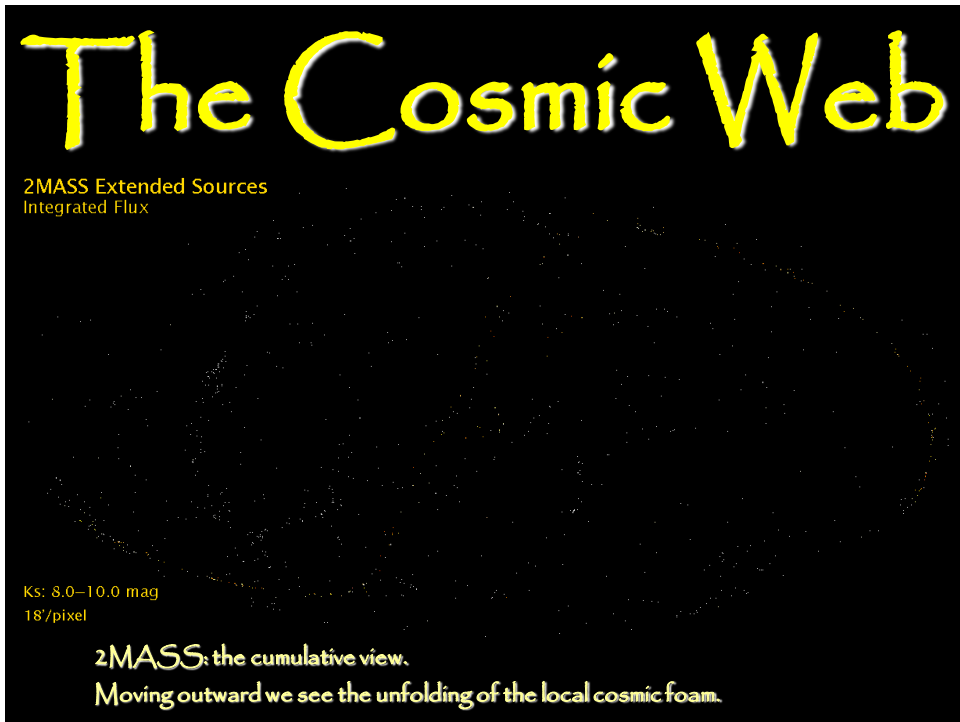
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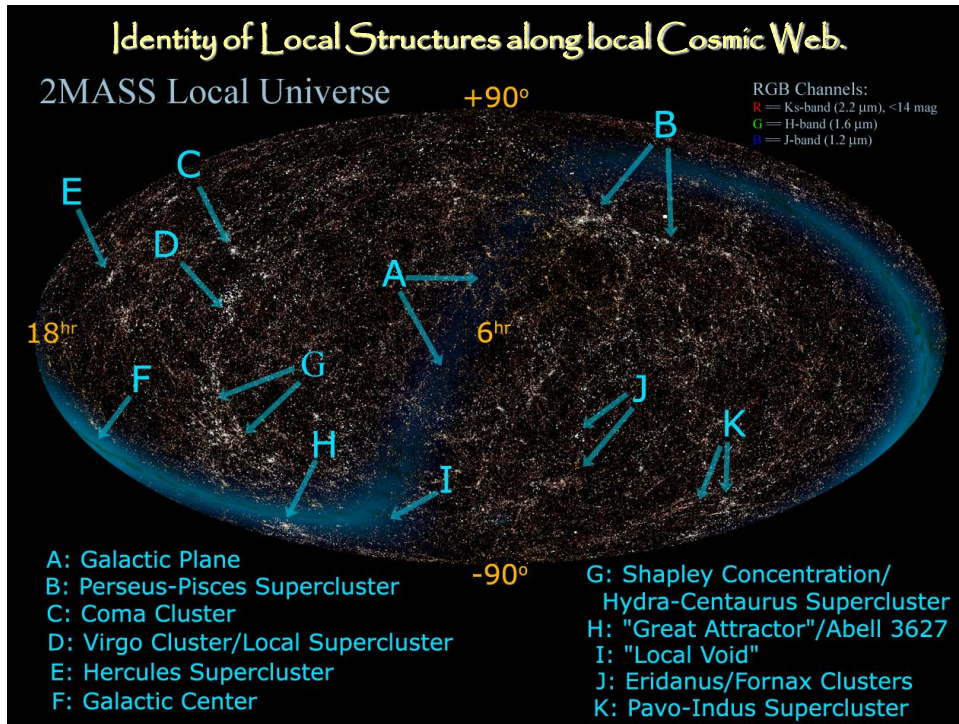


A: Galactic Plane
B: Perseus-Pisces Supercluster
C: Coma Cluster
D: Virgo Cluster/Local Supercluster
E: Hercules Supercluster
F: Galactic Center

-90°

G: Shapley Concentration/
Hydra-Centaurus Supercluster
H: "Great Attractor"/Abell 3627
I: "Local Void"
J: Eridanus/Fornax Clusters
K: Pavo-Indus Supercluster



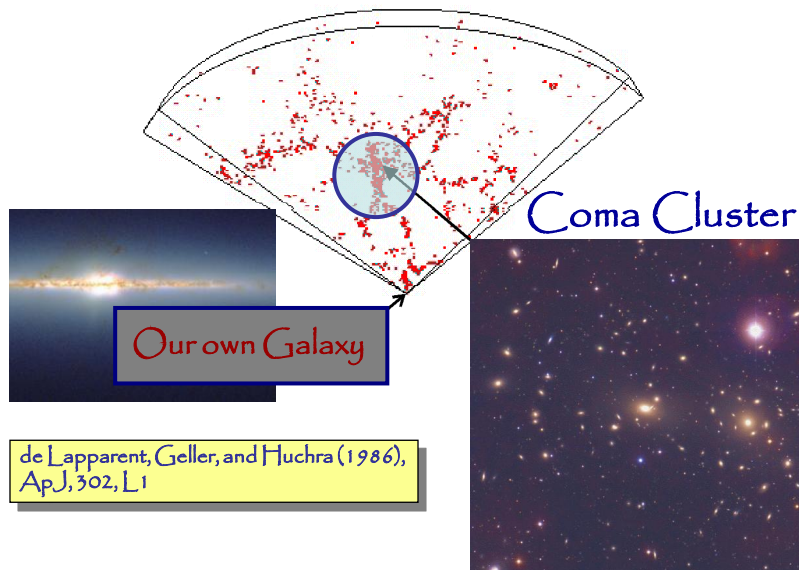


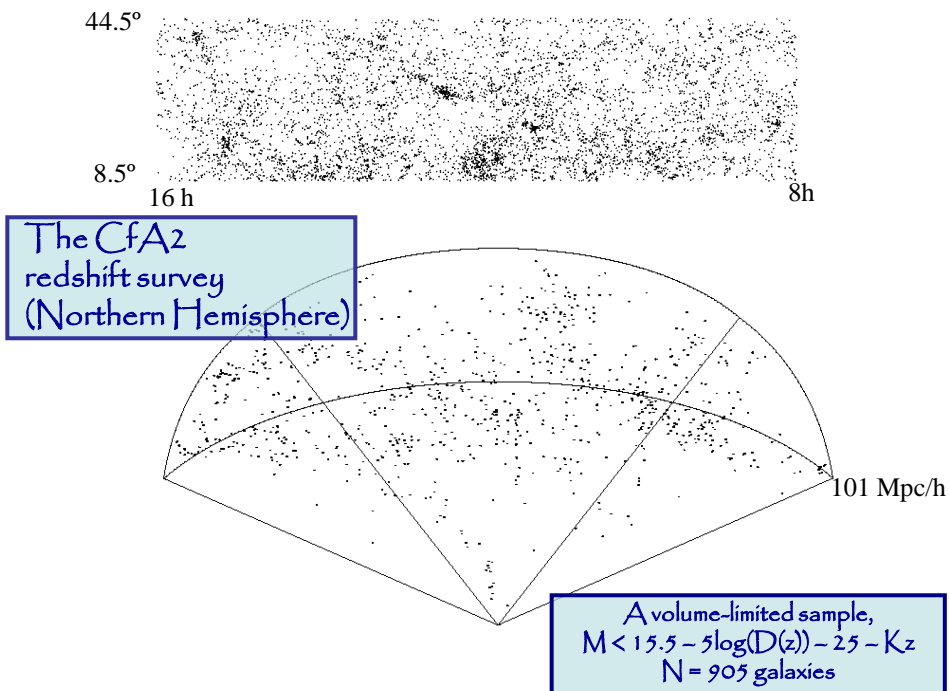
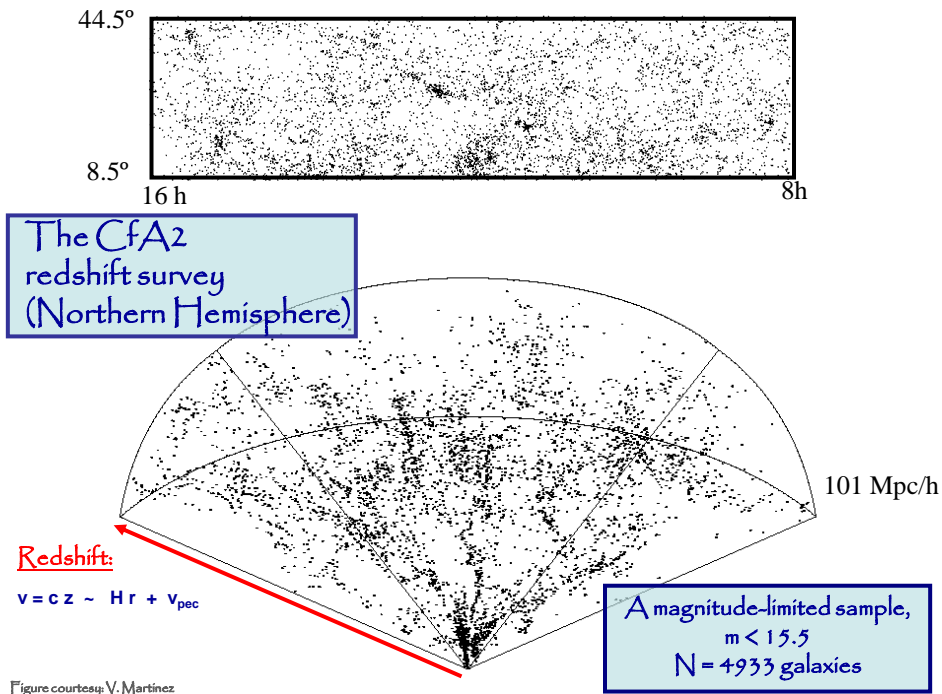
Maps of the
 Local Universe

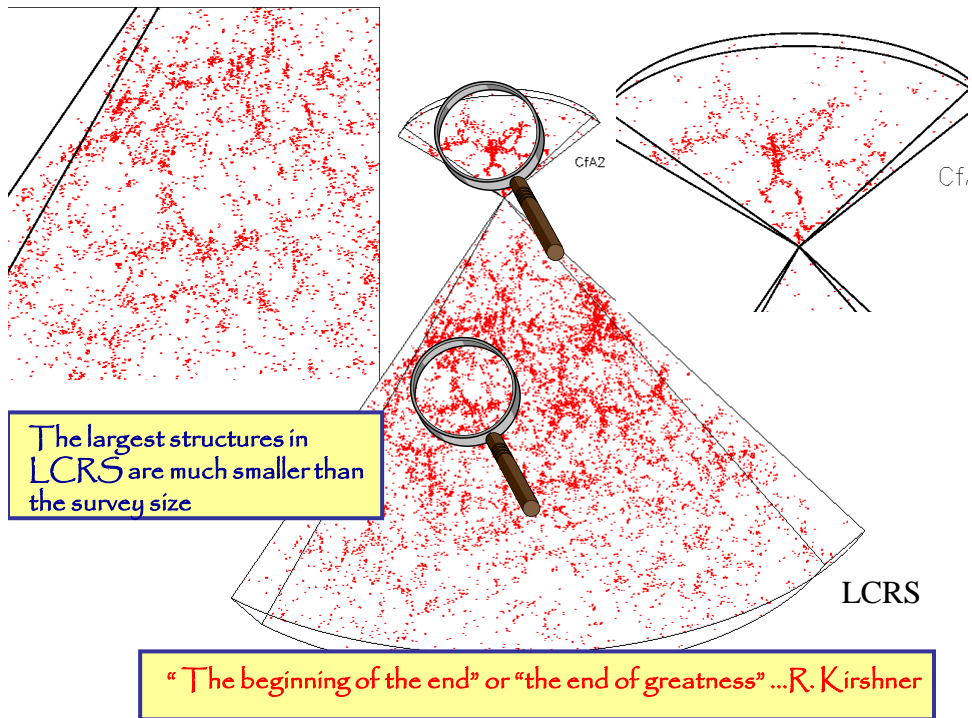
The Cosmic Web Revealed: The CfA2 and SDSS survey slices

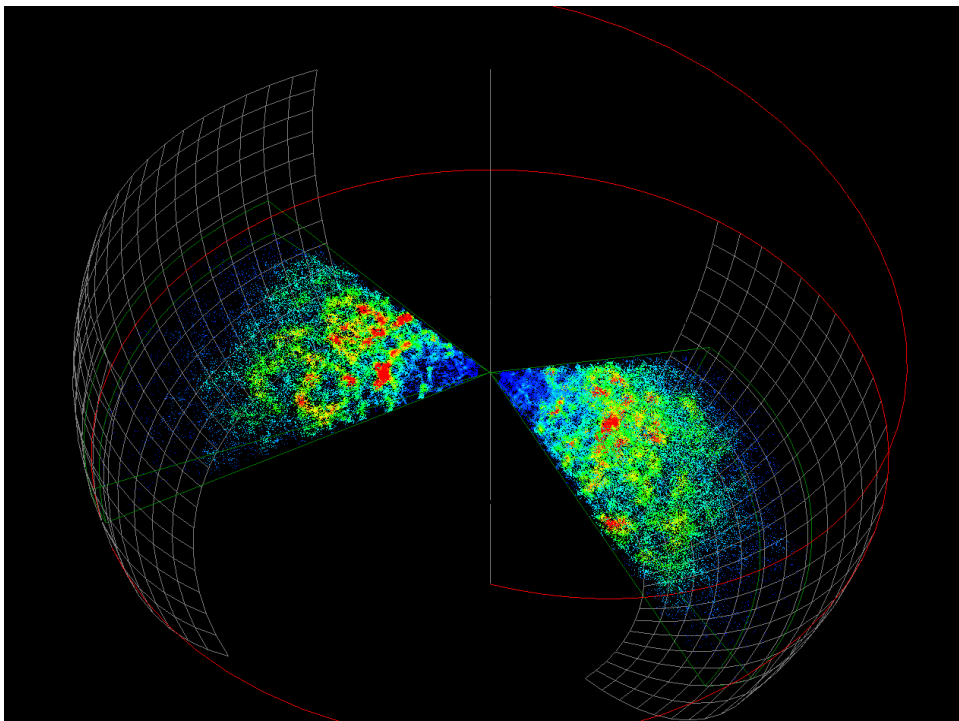
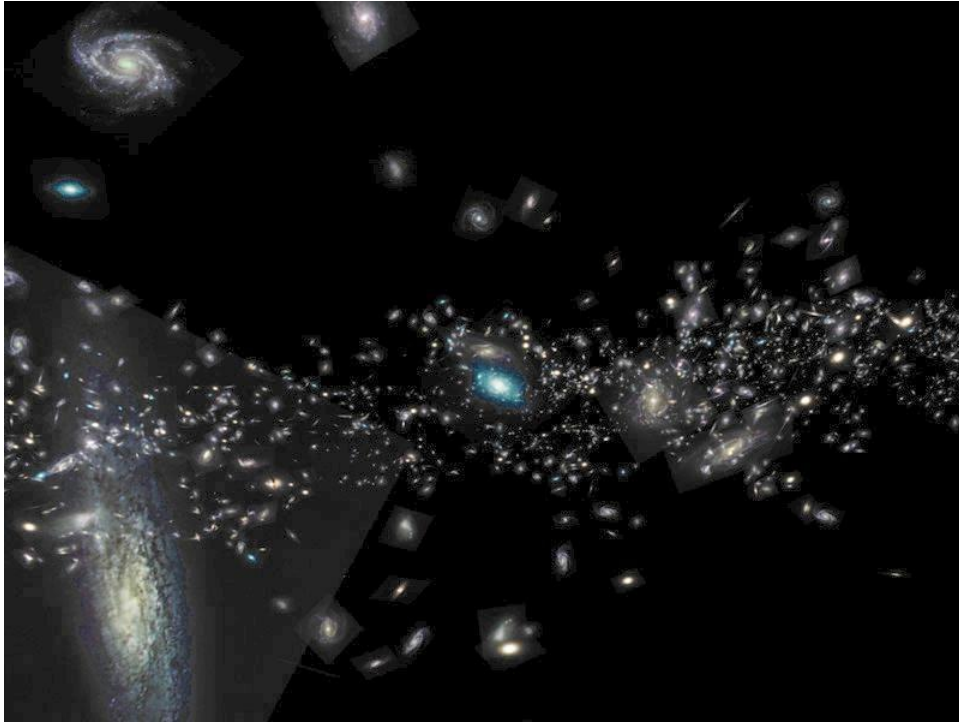
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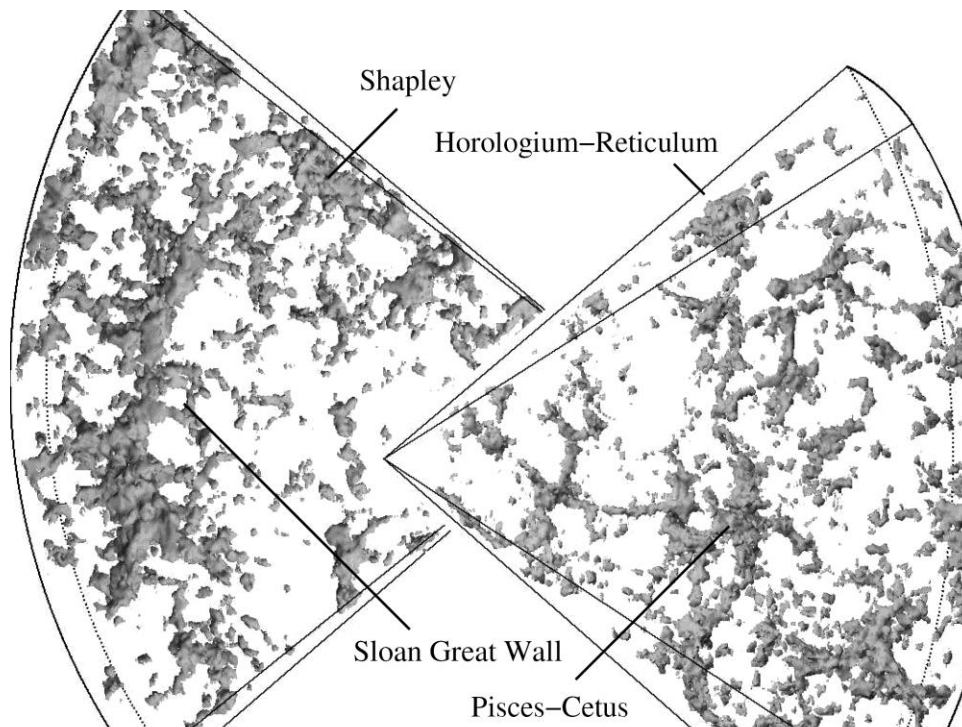
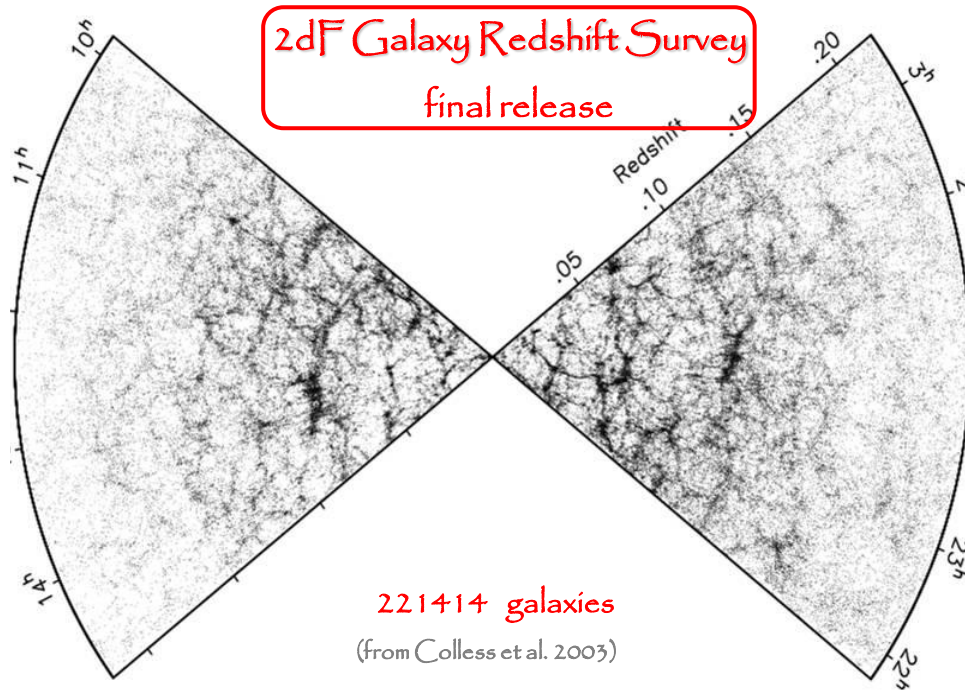
Mapping the Universe











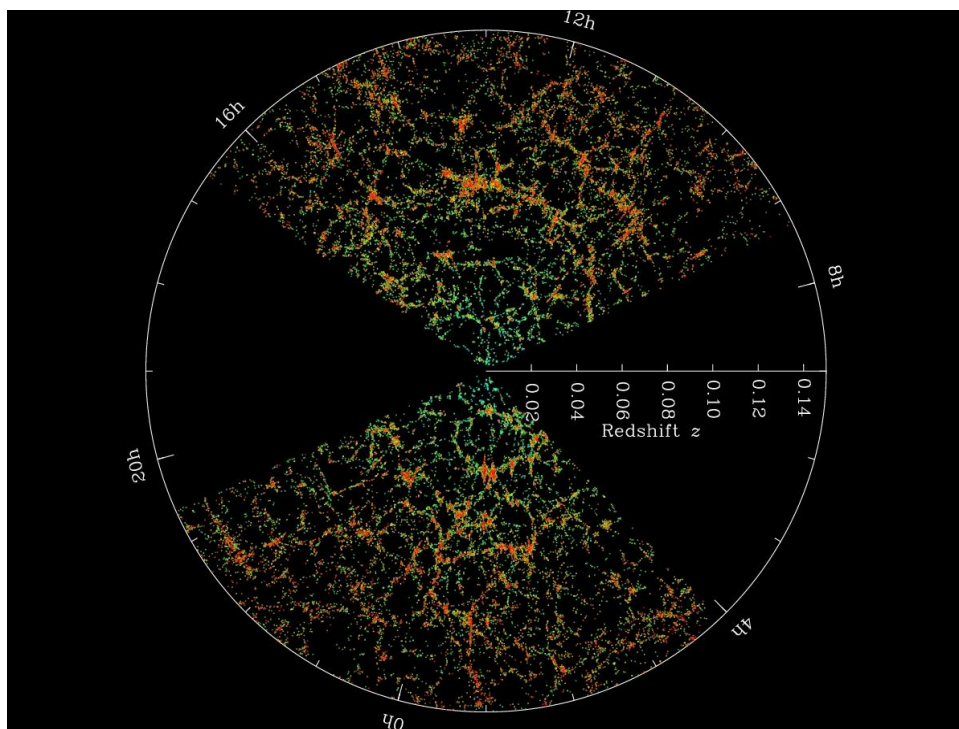
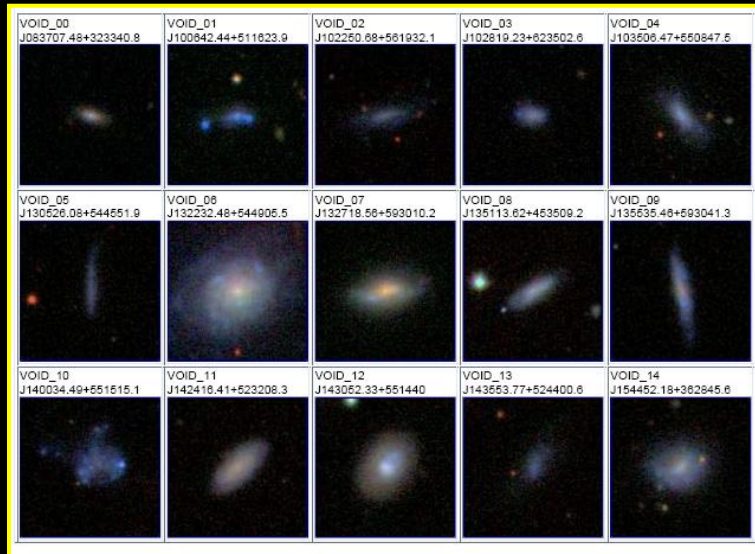


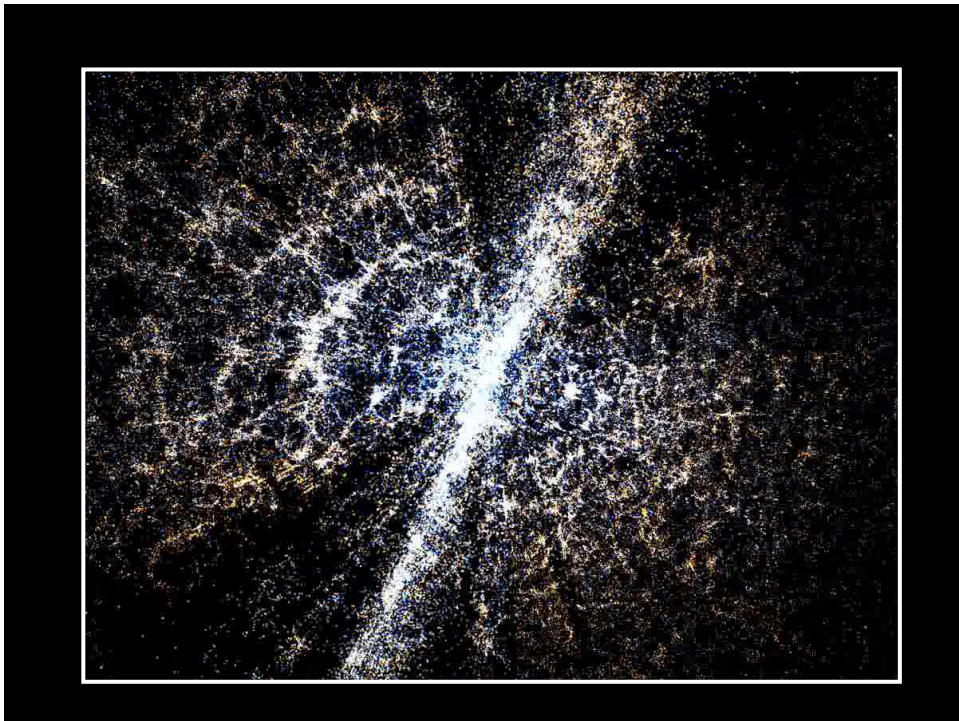
SDSS survey

- 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:

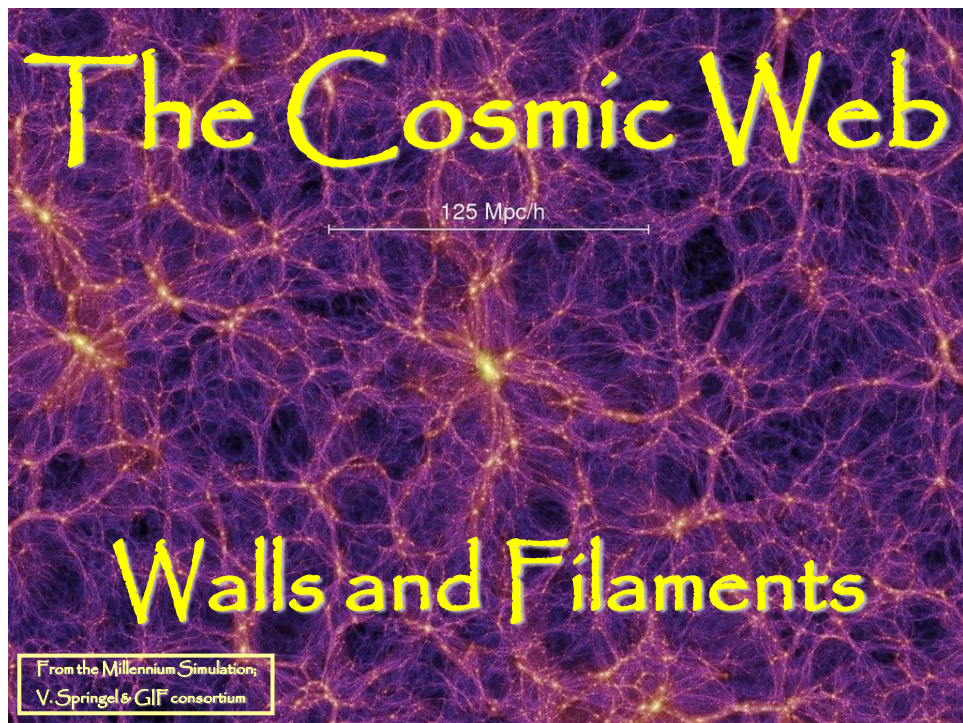
sky survey:	10^8 stars,	10^8 galaxies,	10^3 quasars
spectroscopy:	10^6 galaxies,	10^3 quasars,	10^3 stars

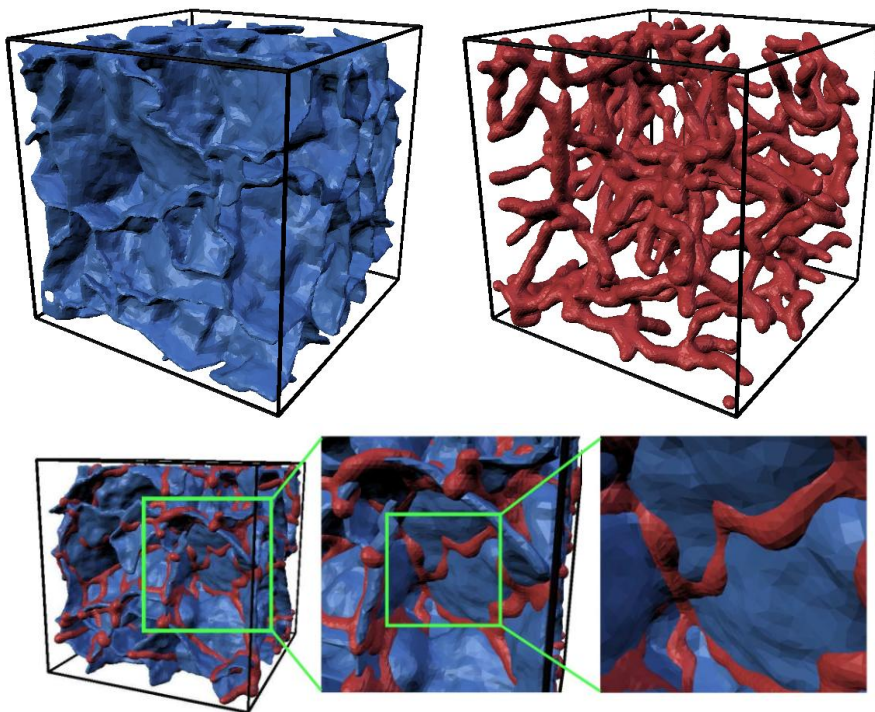
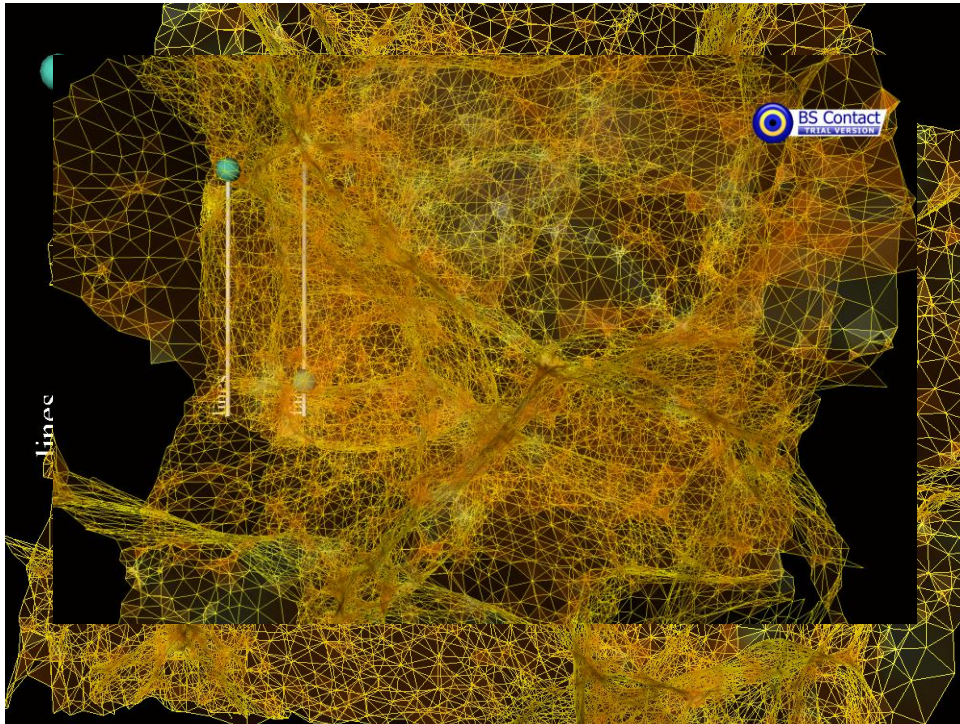
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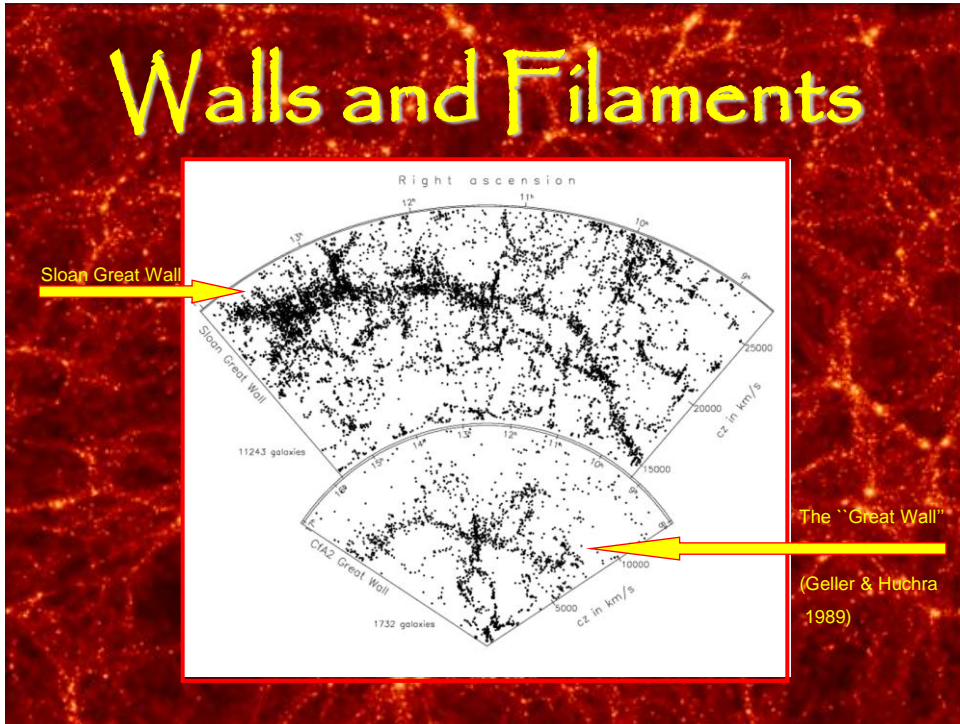


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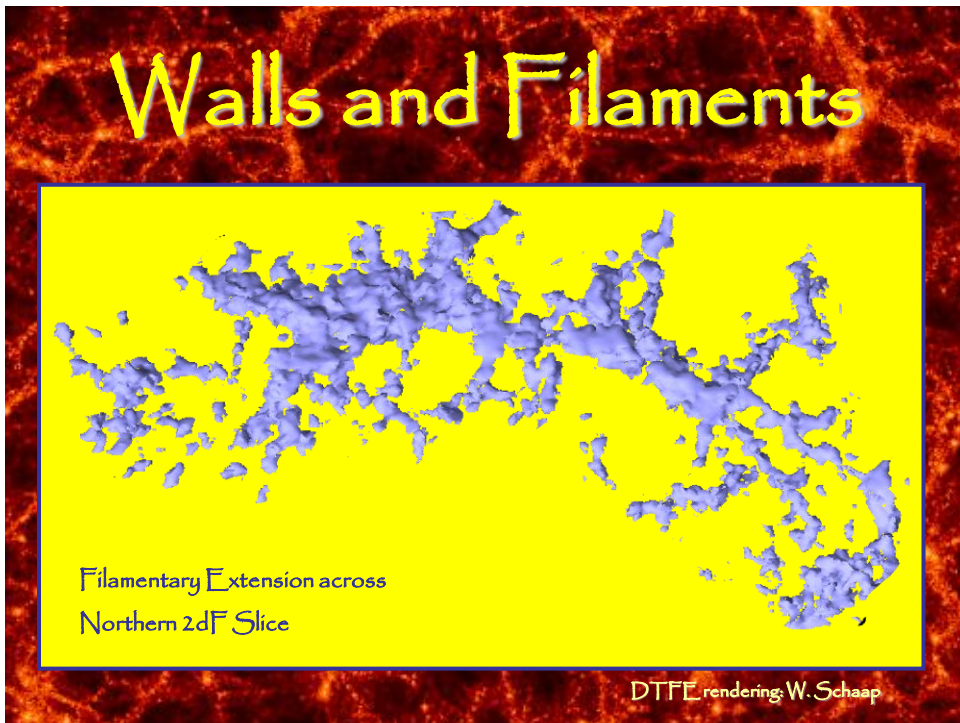




Walls and Filaments



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Pisces-Perseus Supercluster

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.

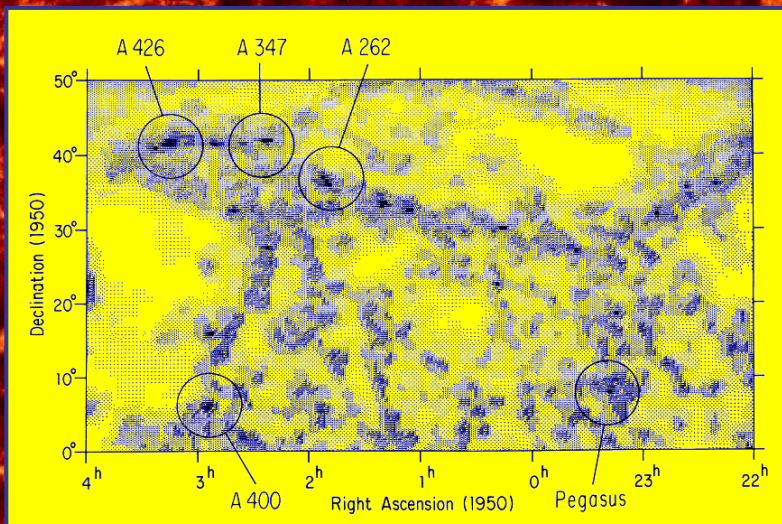
Northern boundary: ridge south-westward of Perseus cluster (A426)

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

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

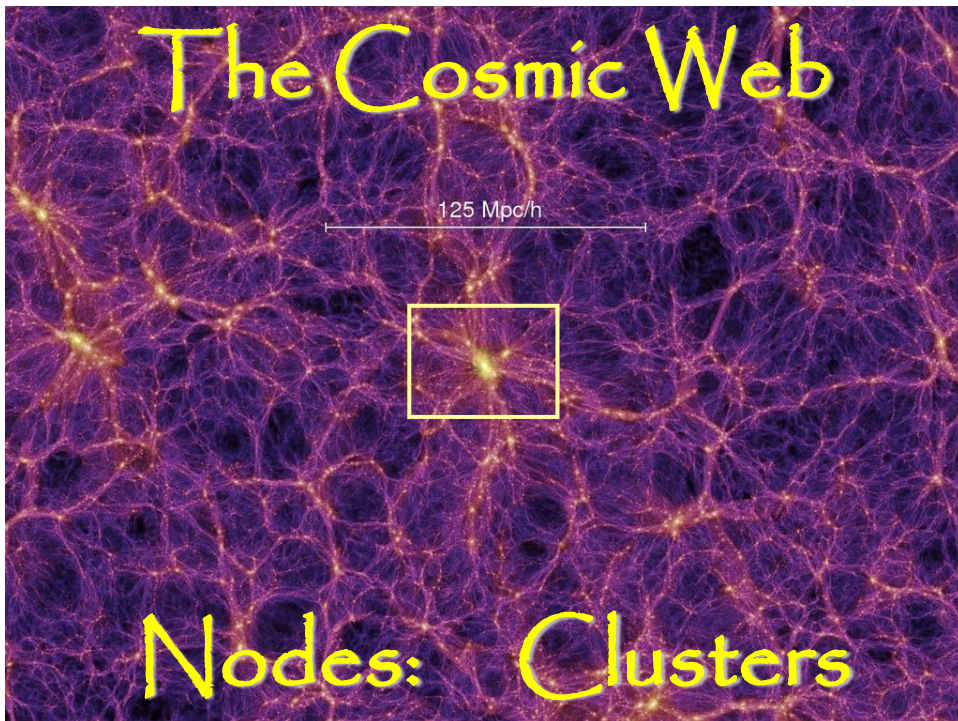
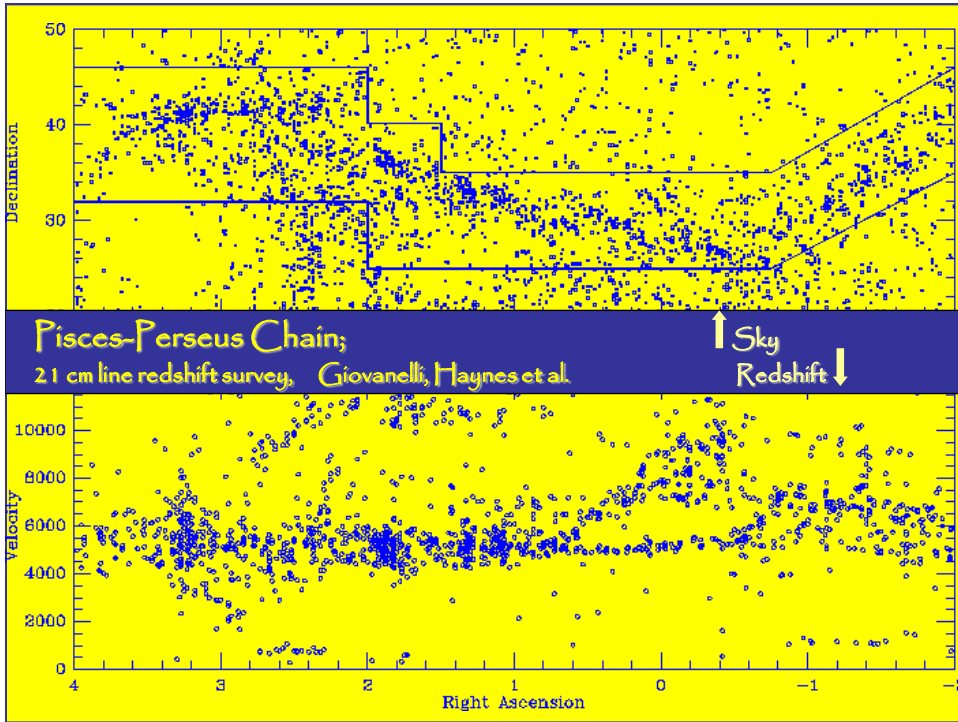
Along Ridge: high density clusters, incl. A462, A347, A262

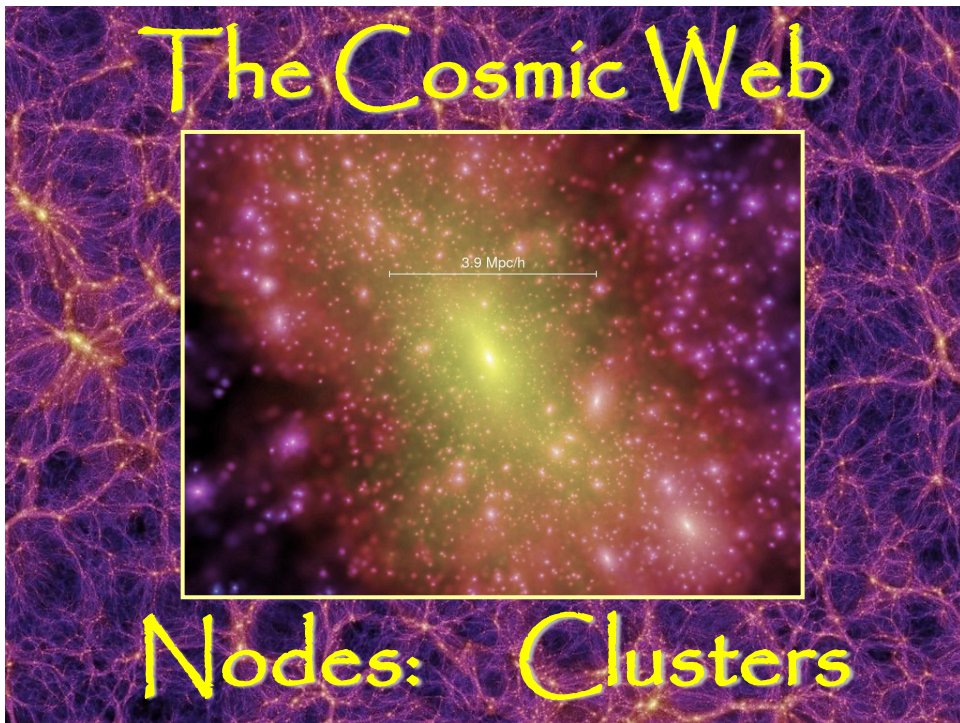
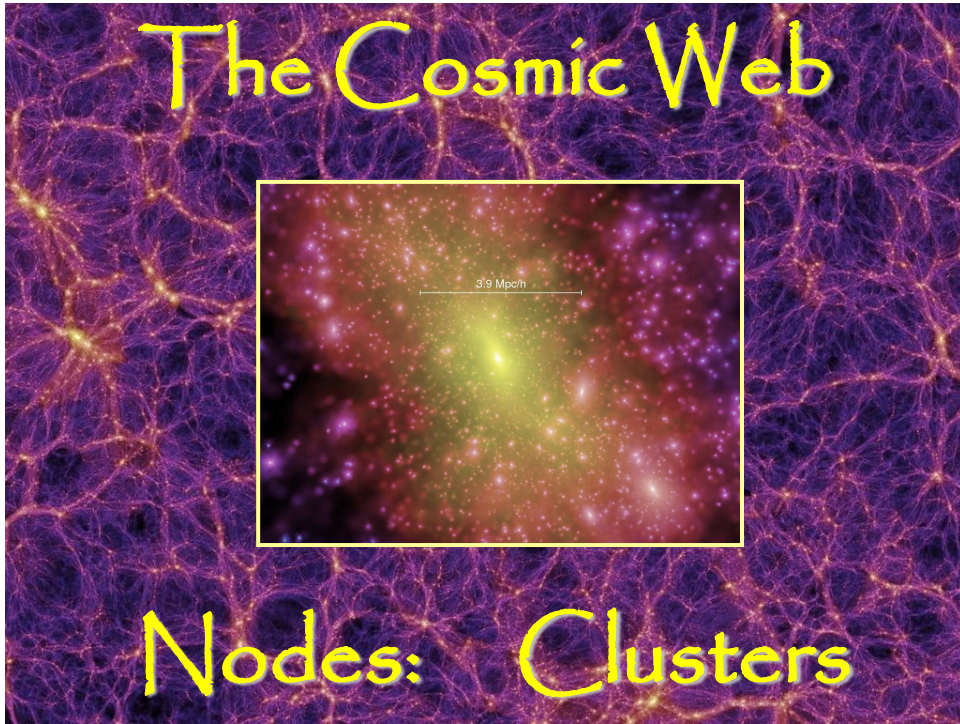
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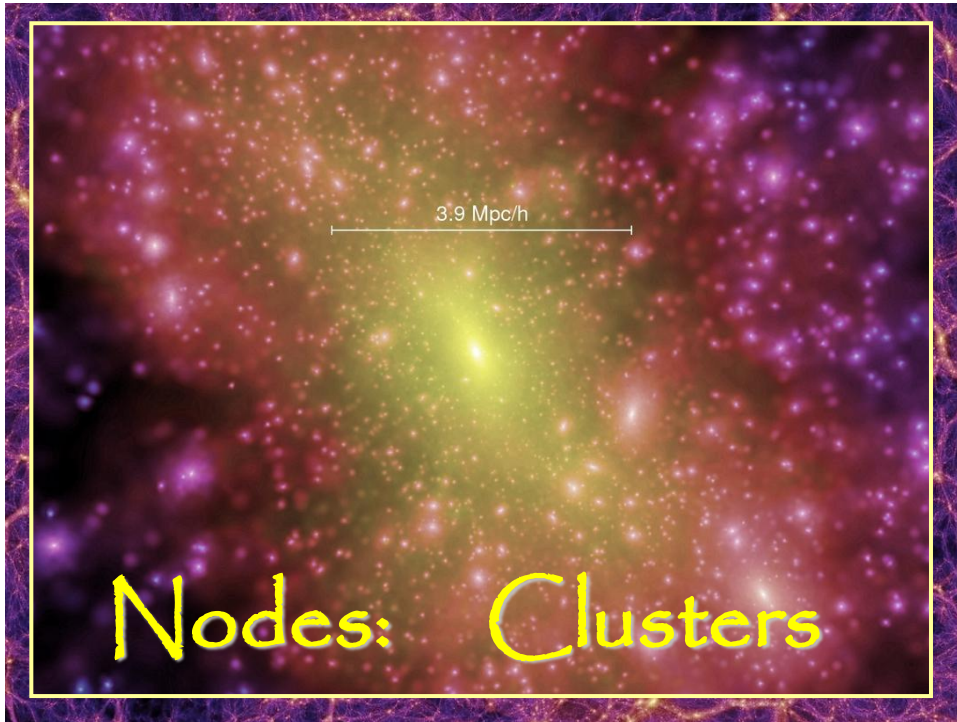


Pisces-Perseus Chain;

21 cm line redshift survey,
Giovanelli & Haynes







Clusters of Galaxies

- Assemblies of up to 1000s of galaxies within a radius of only $1.5-2h^{-1}$ Mpc,
- Representing overdensities of $\delta \sim 1000$
- Galaxy move around with velocities ~ 1000 km/s
- They are the most massive, and most recently, fully collapsed structures in our Universe.

Clusters of Galaxies



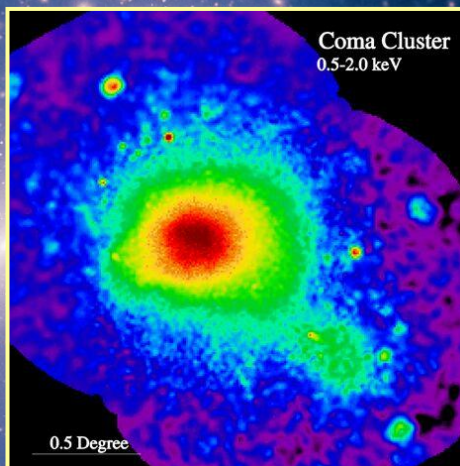
Courtesy:
O. Lopez-Cruz

Coma Cluster

Clusters of Galaxies X-ray intracluster gas

Baryonic matter in clusters is not only confined to galaxies. On the contrary, about 2 to 5 times more baryonic mass is in the form of a **diffuse hot X-ray emitting intracluster gas**, trapped and heated to a temperature of the order of 10^8 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



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

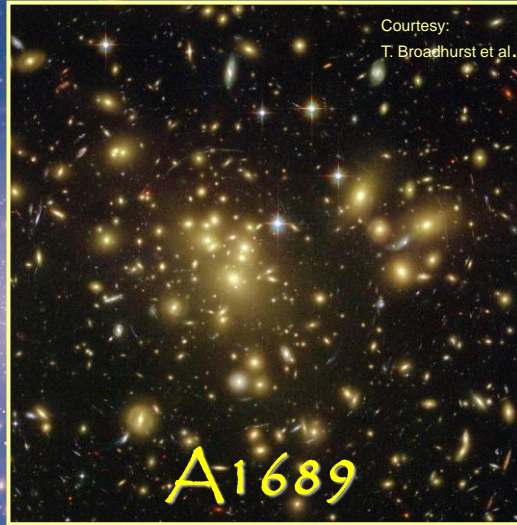
Einstein's theory of

General Relativity,

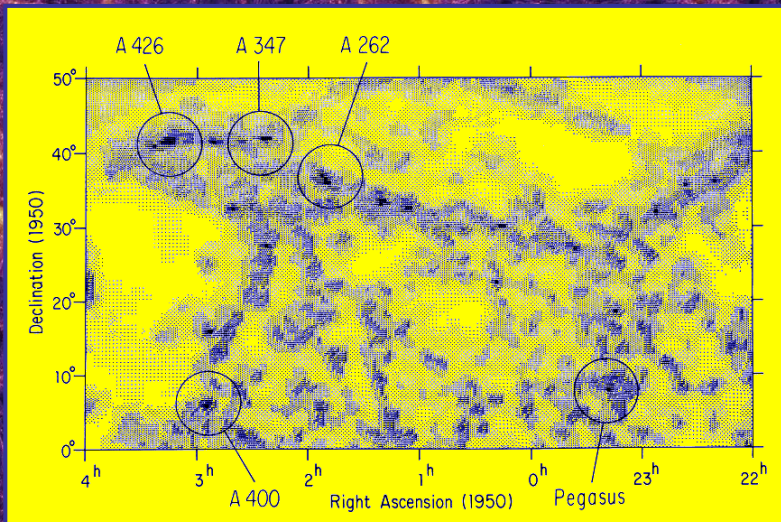
gravitational potential wells will bend and focus light. Dark matter concentrations act as a

Gravitational Lens.

Courtesy:
T. Broadhurst et al.

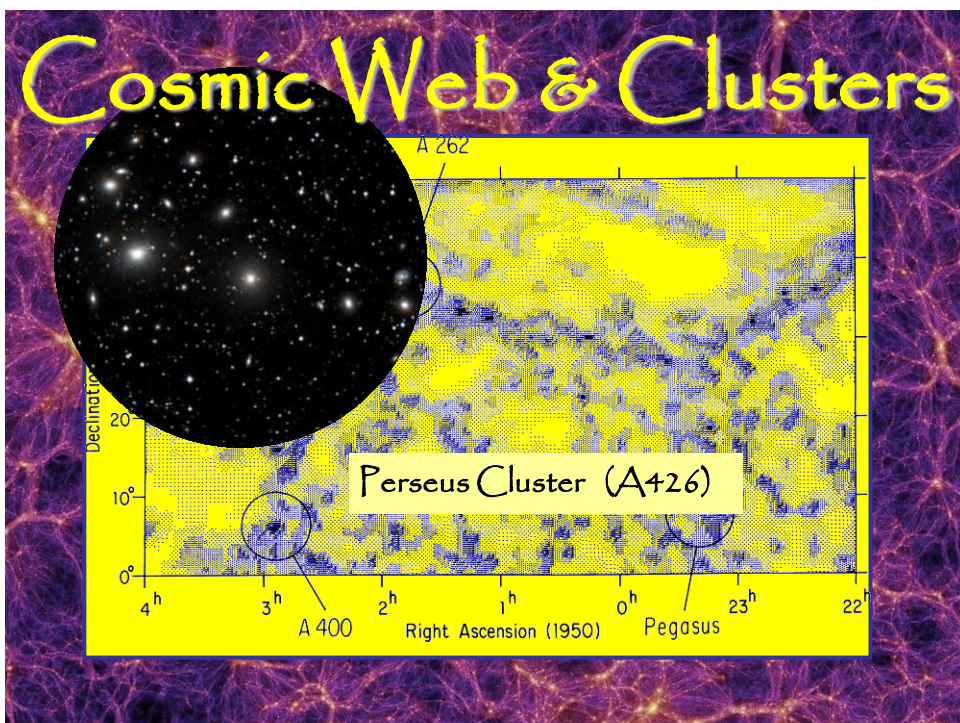
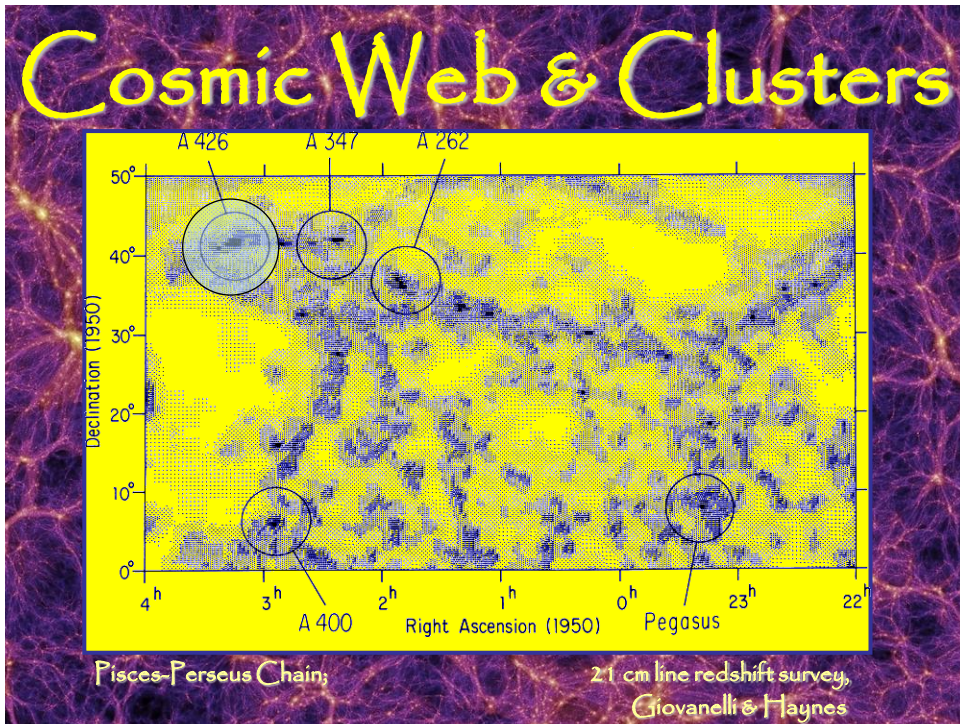


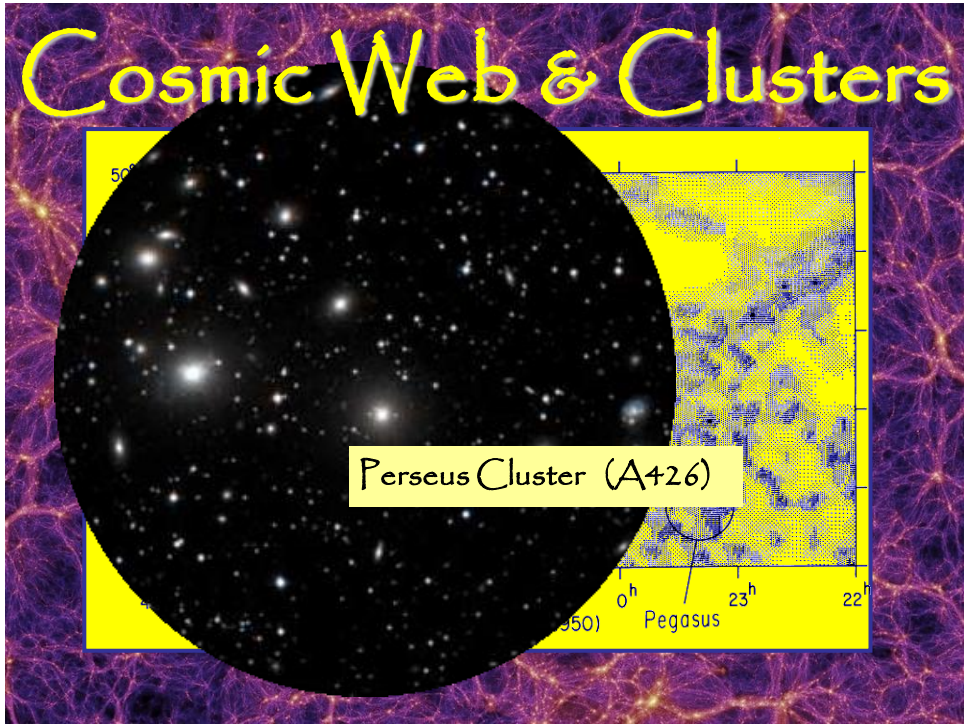
Cosmic Web & Clusters

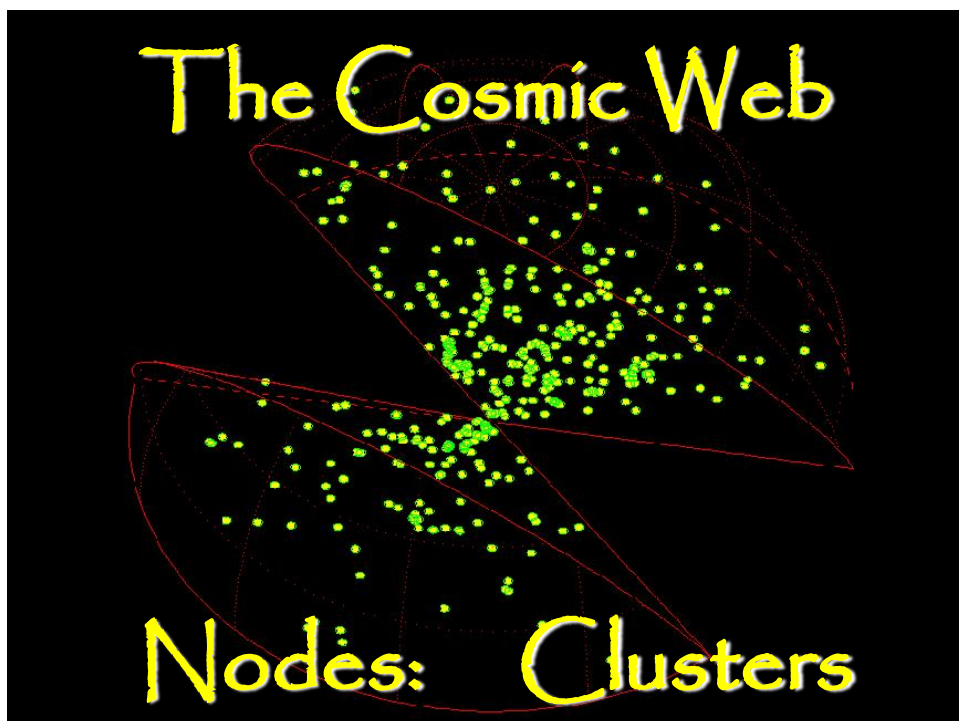
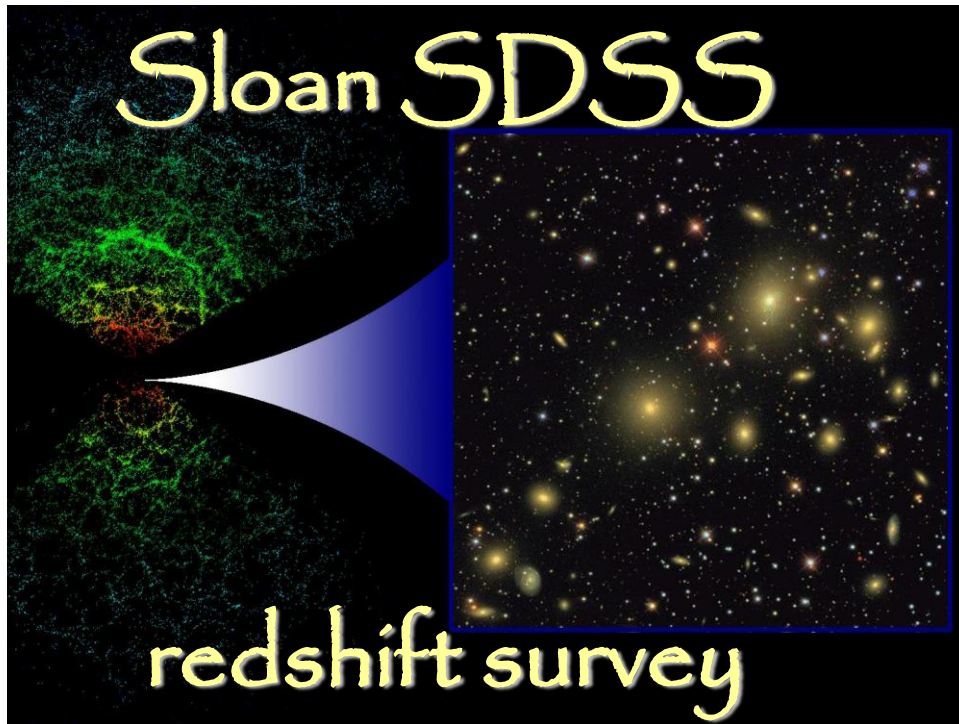


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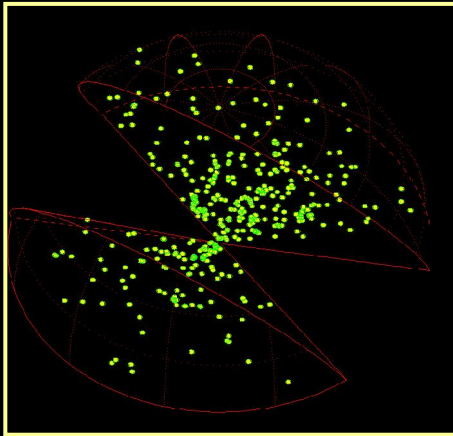
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The Cosmic Web



The spatial cluster distribution.

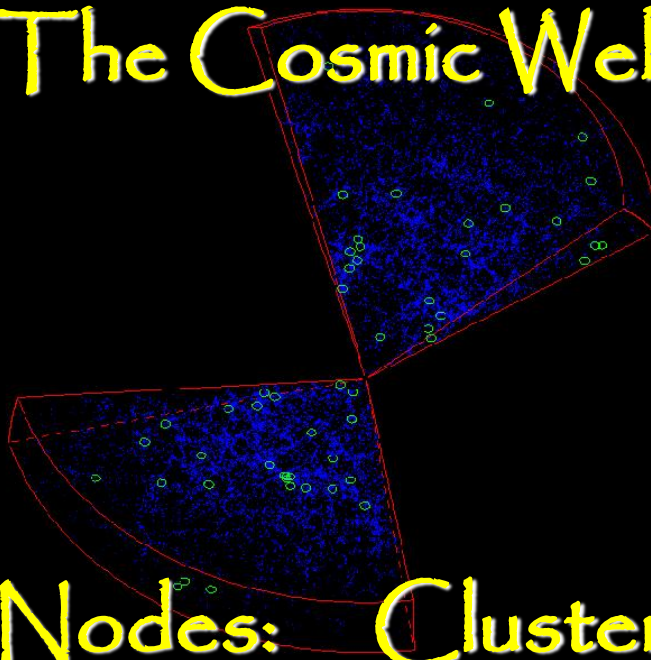
The full volume of the X-ray cluster REFLEX cluster survey within a distance of $600h^{-1}$ Mpc. The REFLEX galaxy cluster catalogue contains all clusters brighter than an X-ray flux of 3×10^{-14} ergs cm^{-2} over a large part of the in the southern sky. The missing part of hemisphere delineates the region highly obscured by the Galaxy.

REFLEX: Boehringer et al. (2001)

Courtesy: Borgani & Guzzo (2001)

Nodes: Clusters

The Cosmic Web



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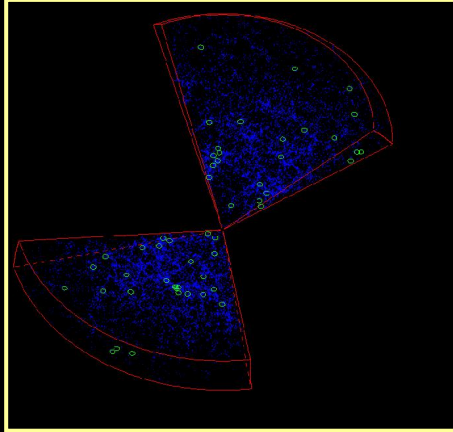
The Cosmic Web

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 foaml like distribution of filaments, walls and voids.

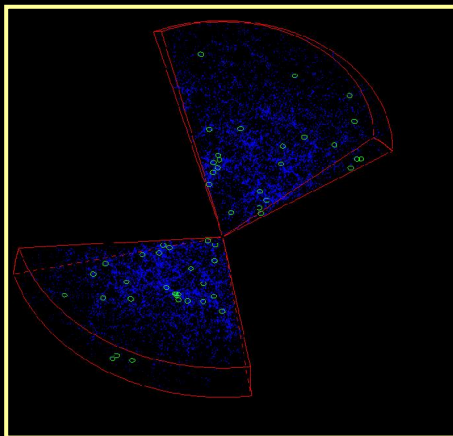
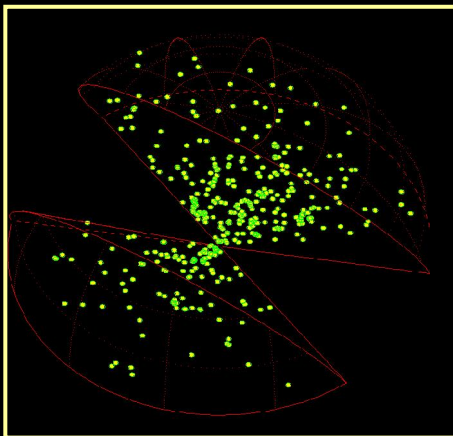
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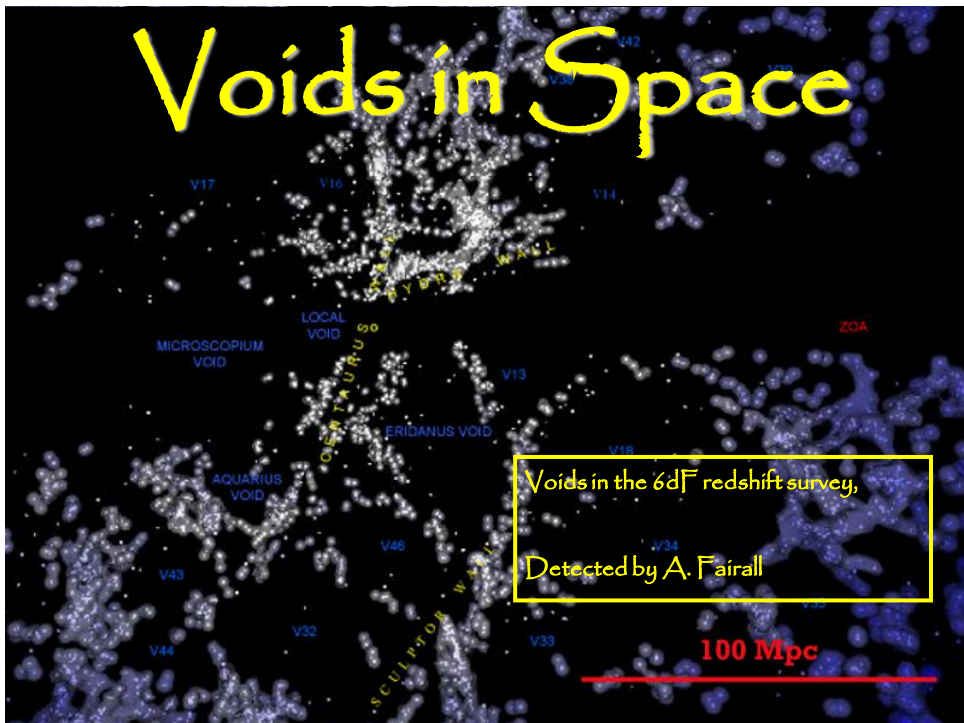
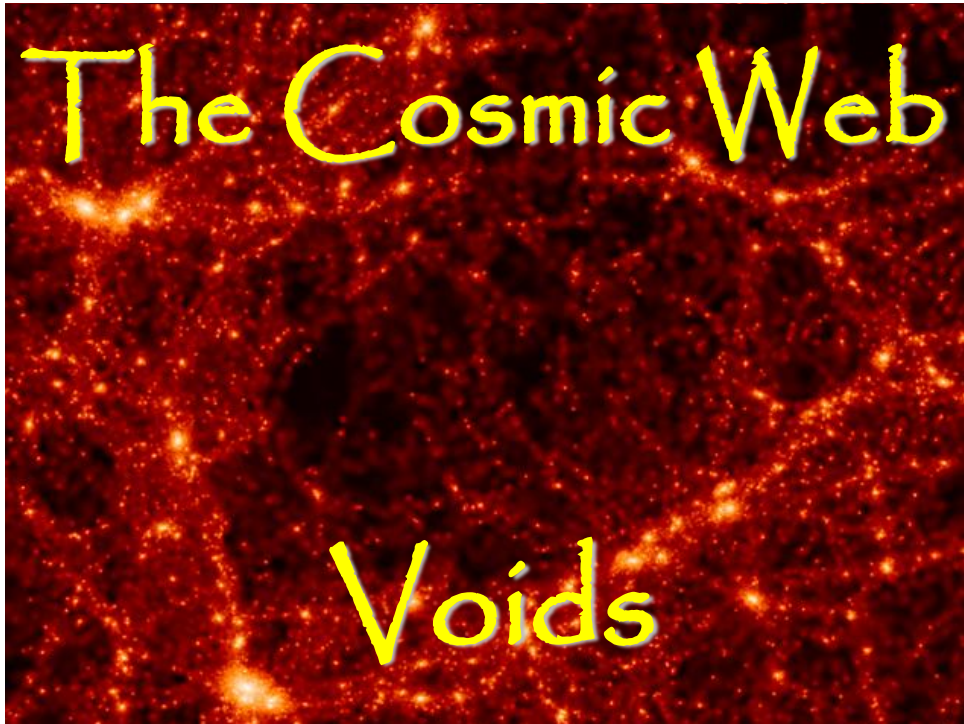


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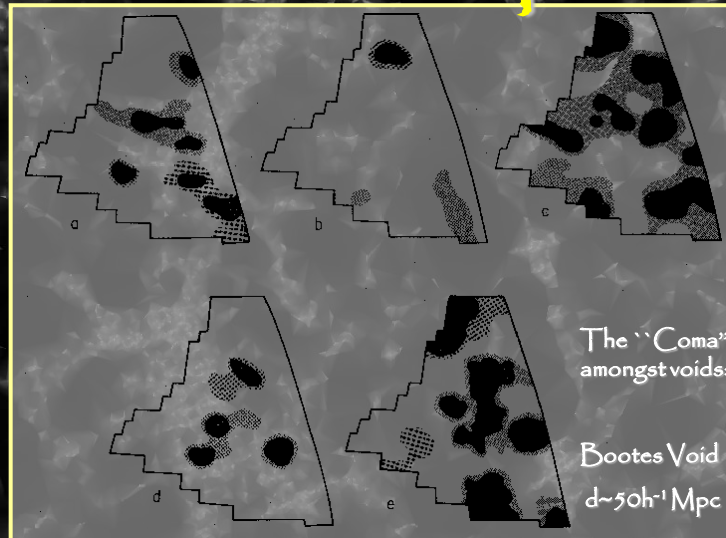
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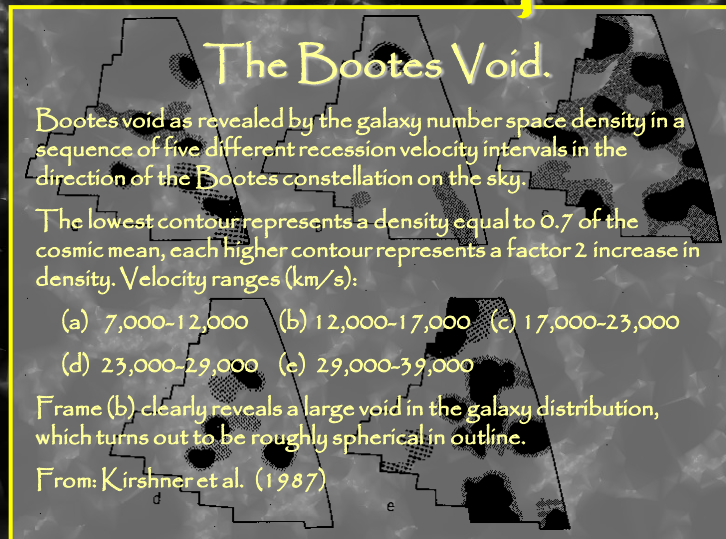
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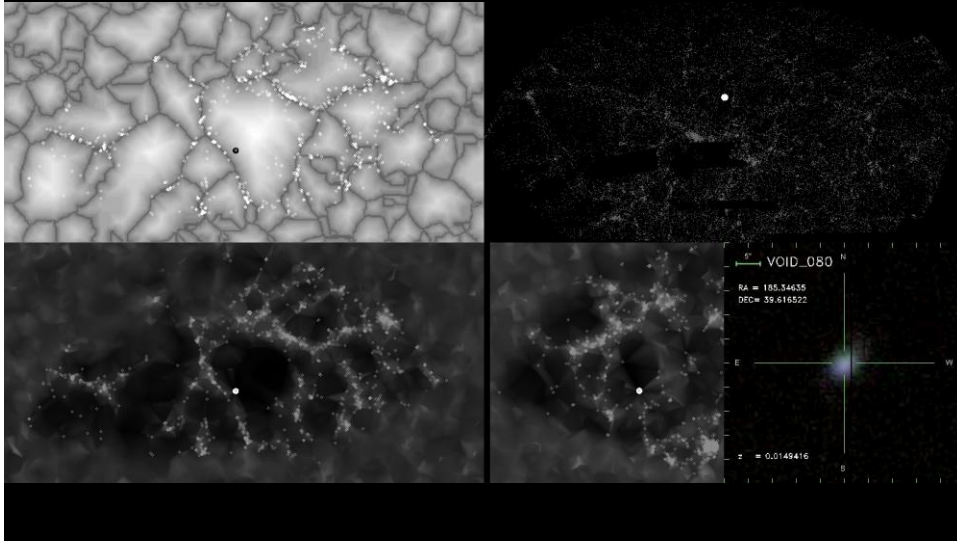
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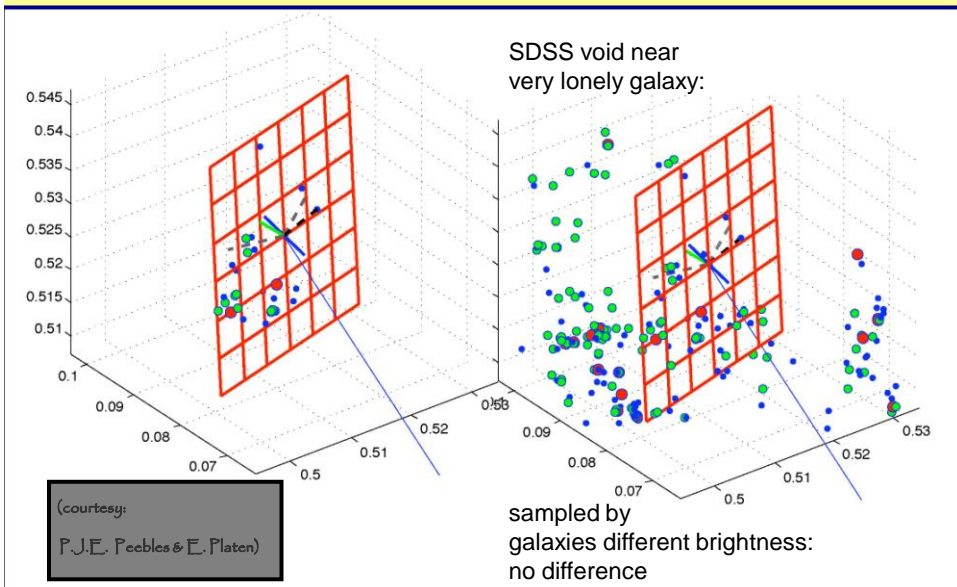
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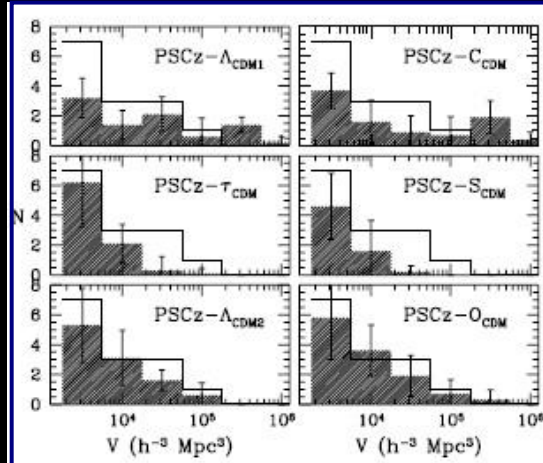
Void Size & Volume

Void Size

Void size distribution
dependent on cosmology:

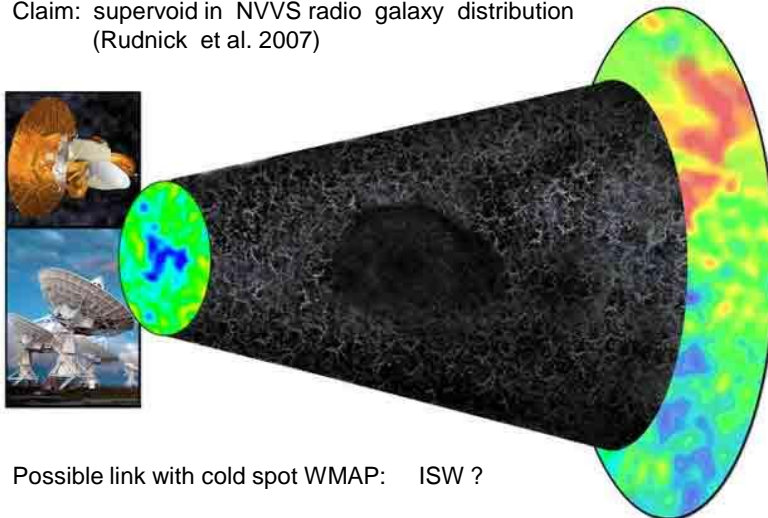
Comparison PSCz & models:

Plionis & Basilakos 2002

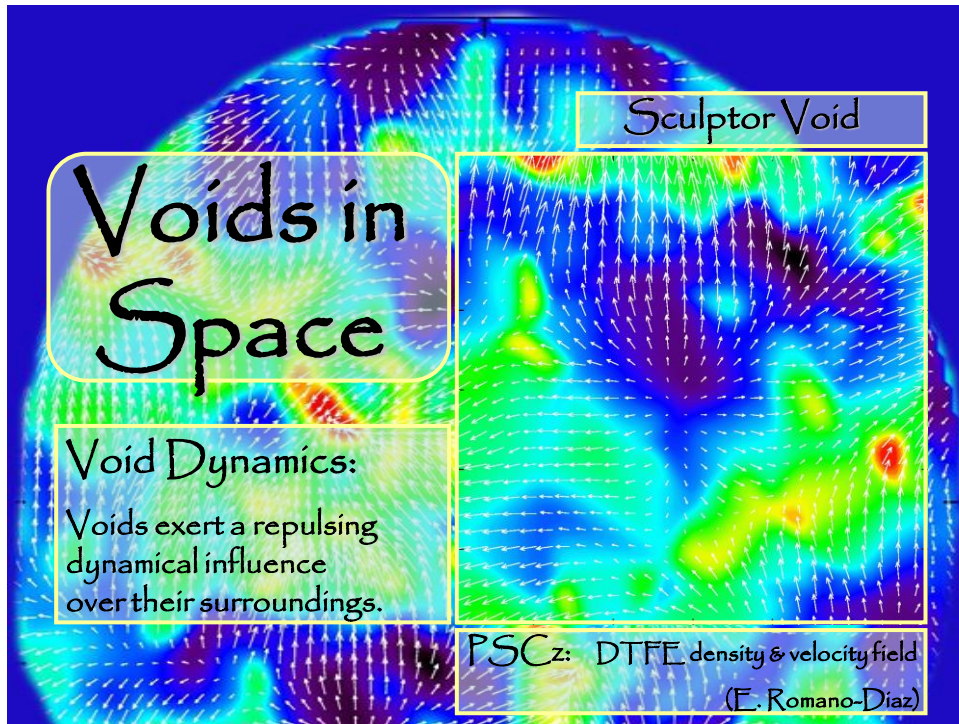


Supervoids ???

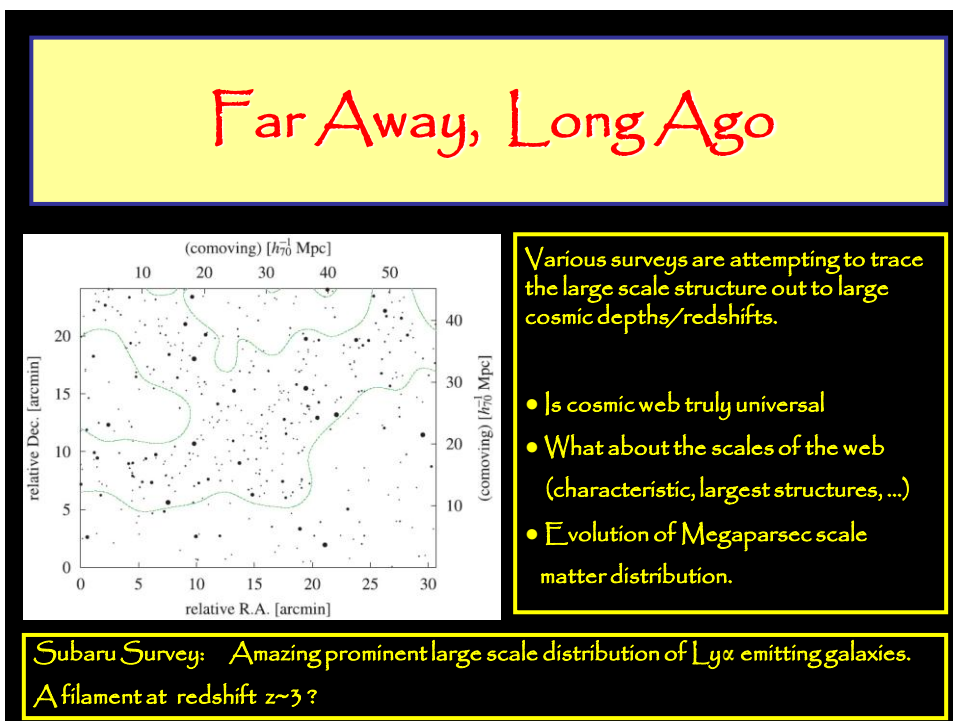
Claim: supervoid in NVVS radio galaxy distribution
(Rudnick et al. 2007)



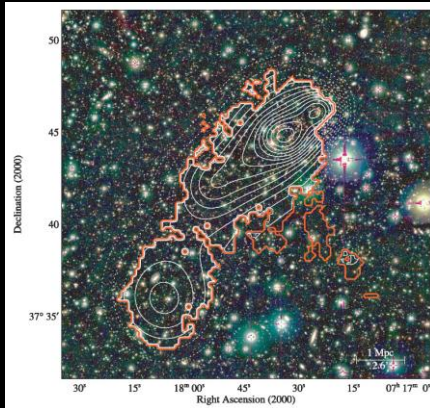
Possible link with cold spot WMAP: ISW ?



Web in Depth



Far Away, Long Ago



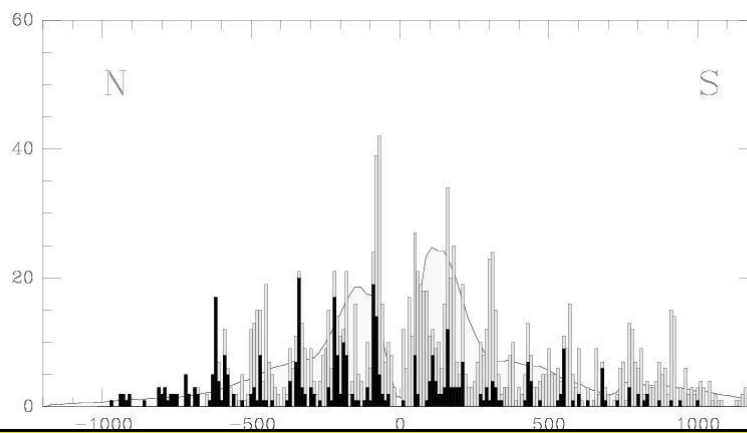
Various surveys are attempting to trace the large scale structure out to large cosmic depths/redshifts.

- Is cosmic web truly universal ?
- What about the scales of the web (characteristic, largest structures, ...)
- Evolution of Megaparsec scale matter distribution.

Elbeling et al. (2004):

A filamentary structure in between two rich clusters.

Far Away, Long Ago

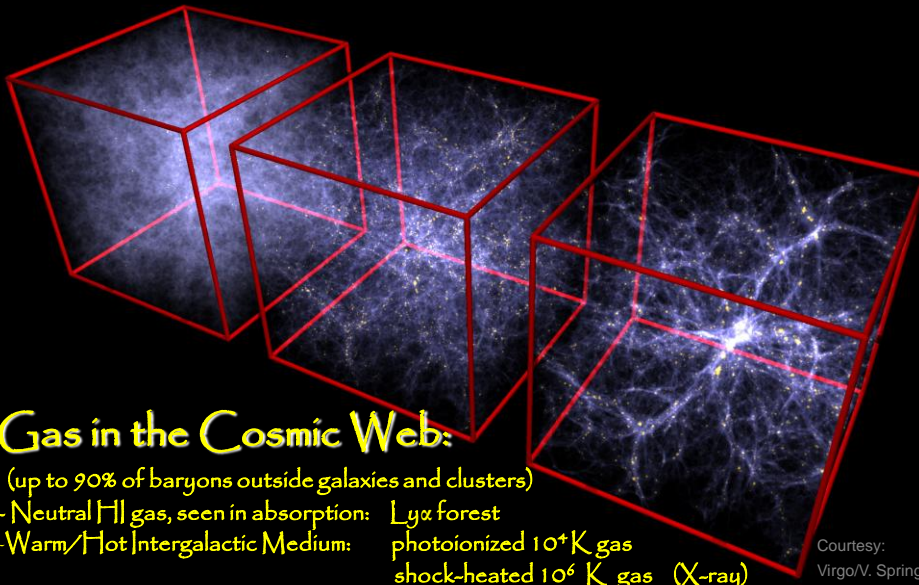


Deep pencil beam survey (Broadhurst et al):

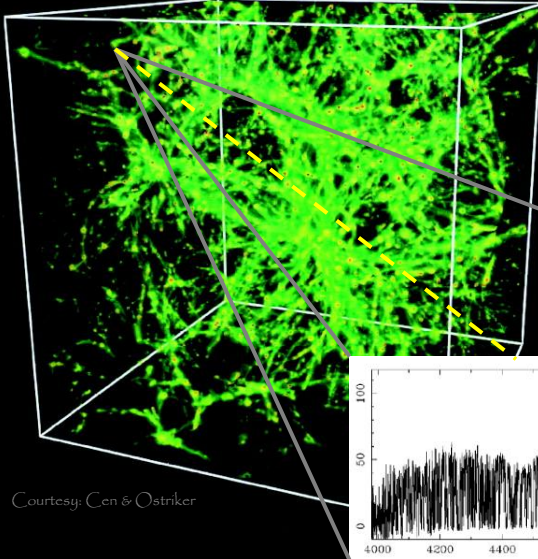
A semi-regular pattern of redshift spikes along line of sight, indicating the passage of l.o.s. through sheets, filaments and clusters. Suggestions for a characteristic scale of $\sim 120h^{-1}$ Mpc should be ascribed to the 1-D character of the redshift skewer through 3-D structure.

The Gastrophysical Web

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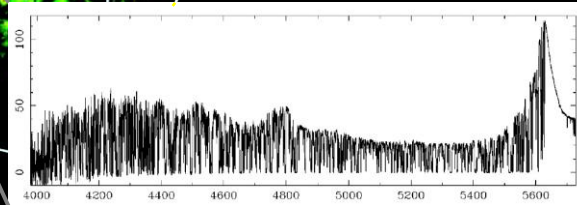
Courtesy: Cen & Ostriker

The Ly α forest:

HI gas in the intergalactic medium closely traces the density fluctuations in the dark matter distribution.

QSO absorption lines arise due to the line of sight intersection by the neutral hydrogen component

Low column density absorption lines associated with sheets and filaments in the "Cosmic Web"



Web Dynamics

Cosmic Migration Flows

CMB Dipole:

We move wrt Universe: $v \sim 620$ km/s

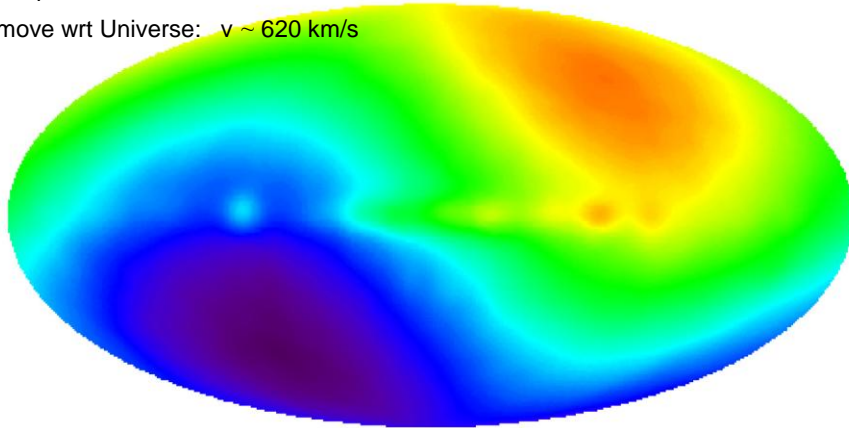
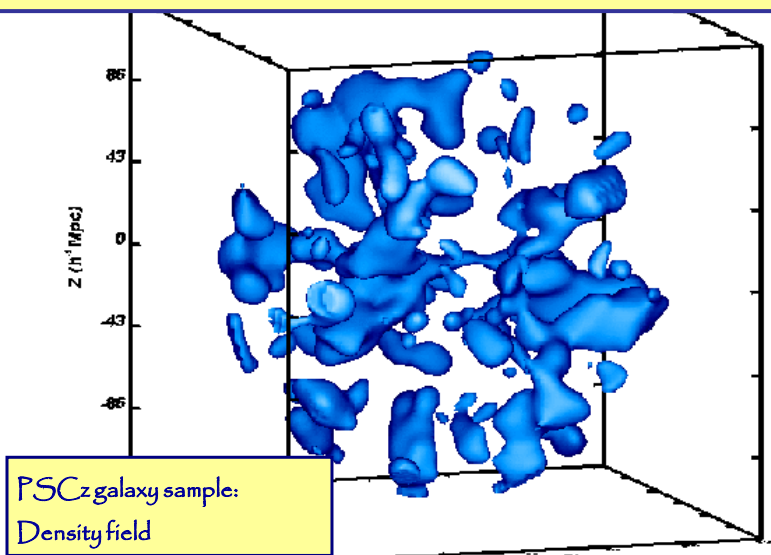


Figure 11. The Cosmic Microwave Background dipole as measured by the DMR instrument of the COBE microwave background satellite (see also Kogut et al. 1993)

Cosmic Migration Flows



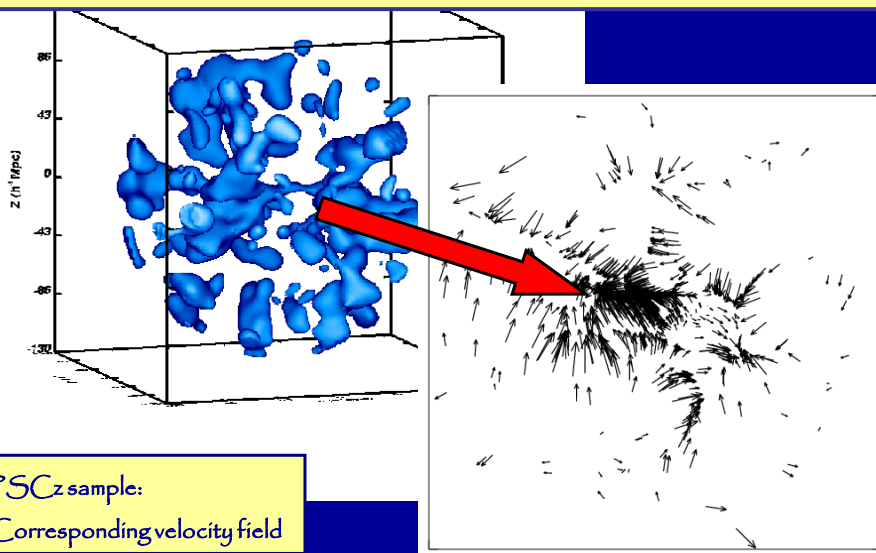
Cosmic Migration Flows

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

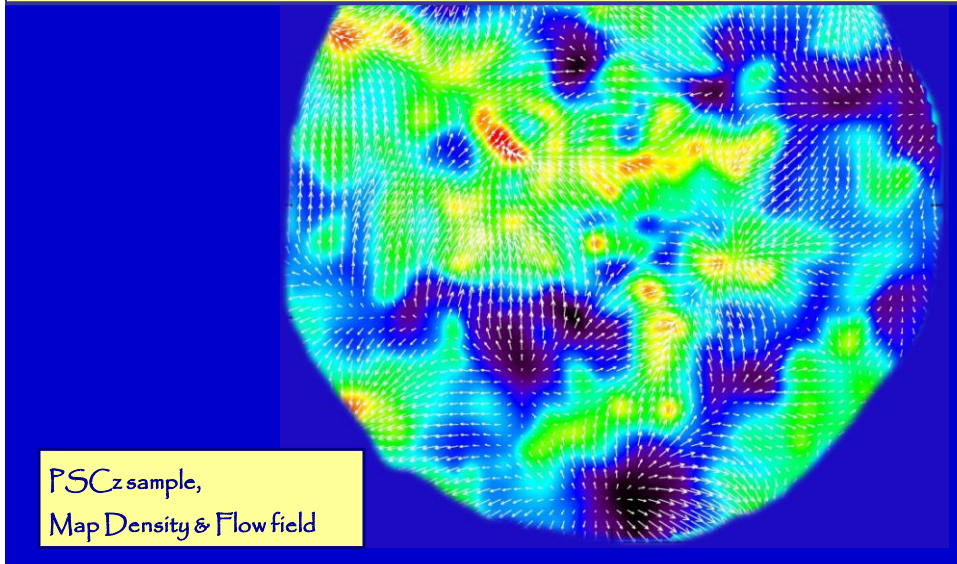


$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{H}{4\pi} \frac{f(\Omega_m)}{b} a \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta_{gal}(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3} \quad (158)$$

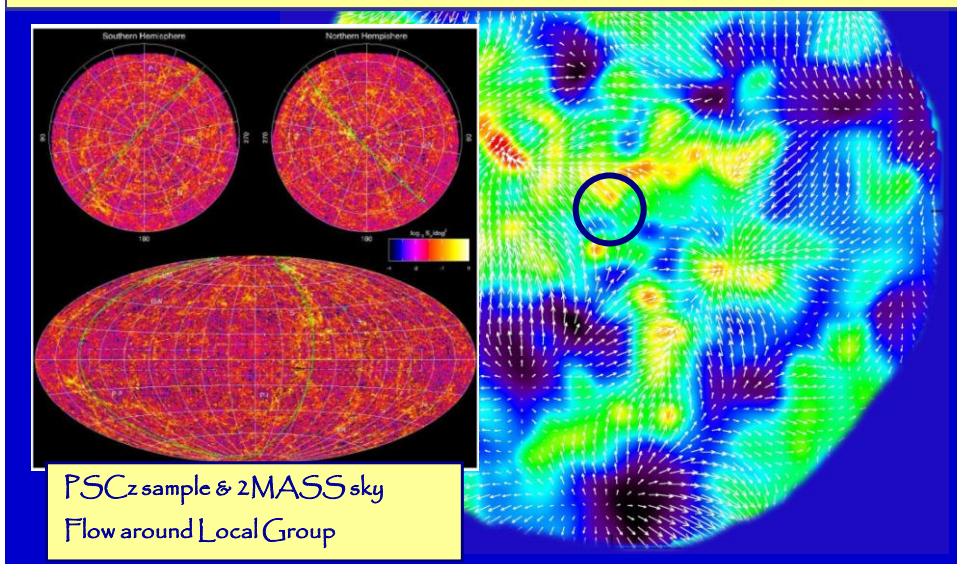
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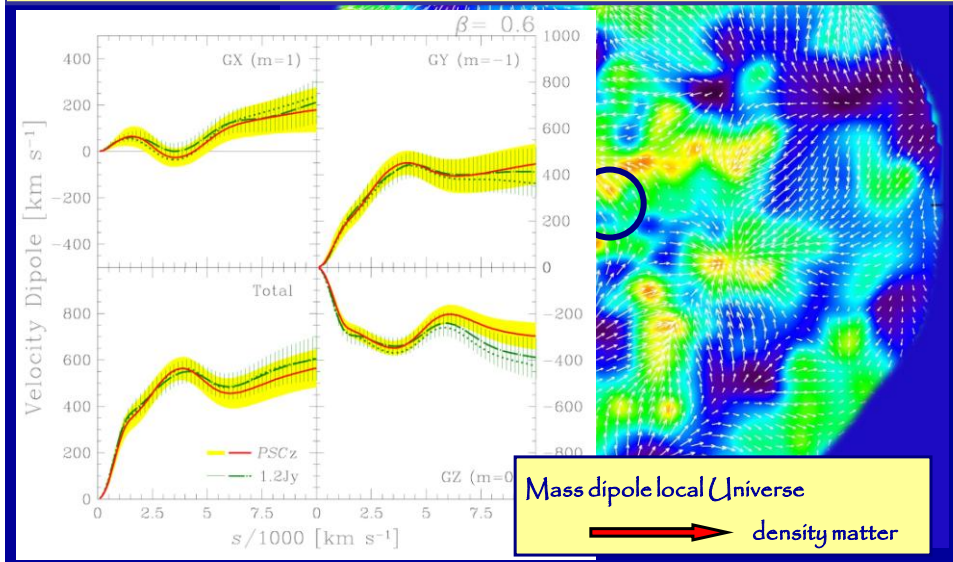
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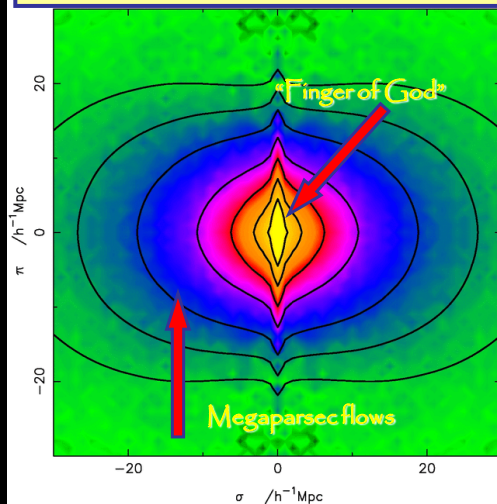
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the Web: Migration Flows



Large scale flows lead to redshift distortions:

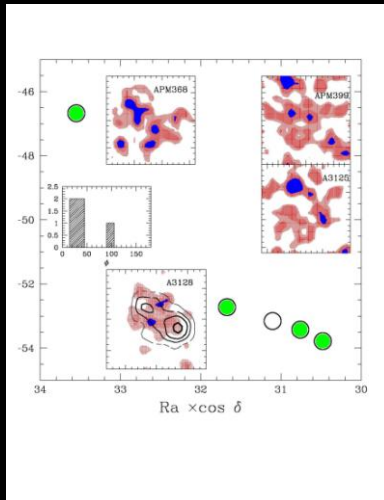
$$cz = Hr + v_{\text{pec}}$$

These flows are part of the assembly of large scale structures, and reach largest values as matter is transported along the filaments into the clusters.

When mapping the galaxy distribution in redshift space, this induces a distortion:

- Flattening along z as matter flows into Megaparsec features ($v < 600 \text{ km/s}$).
- Extension due to thermal motions inside cluster ($v \sim 1000 \text{ km/s}$): "Fingers of God"

Web Dynamics: Alignments



Plionis 2005

Of utmost importance for understanding the dynamical origin of the cosmic web is that of alignments between and around clusters of galaxies.

The presence of such alignments is an indication for the tidal origin of the cosmic web with the clusters as the dominant tidal agents.

This forms an essential ingredient of the "Cosmic Web" theory of Bond et al.

Work by various groups, most notably Plionis and collaborators, indicate that indeed clusters, and galaxies around them, reveal significant alignments.

Cosmic Shear & Gravitational Lensing

Gravitational Lensing

A highly promising method to determine the amount and distribution of matter in the Universe does not concentrate on the way in which Dark Matter affects

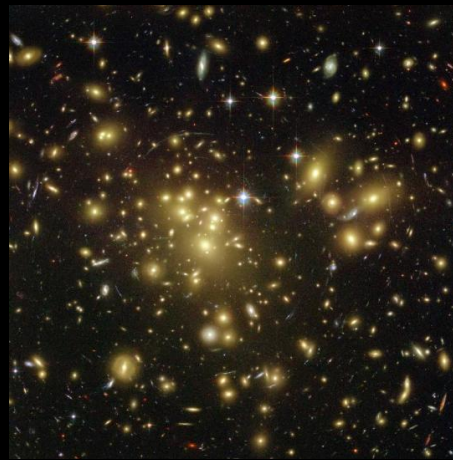
- the motions of galaxies and the intracluster gas,

but instead 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 will therefore act

Gravitational Lens



A1689, HST, Broadhurst et al.

Gravitational Lensing

Illustration:

Mass passing in front of background of galaxies, distorting their received images.

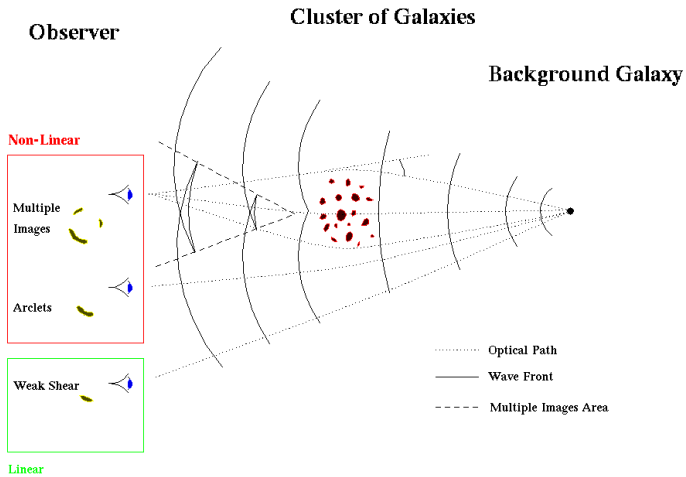


Clusters: Gravitational Lensing

Illustration:

Dependent on whether the light passes within Einstein radius or outside, we deal with:

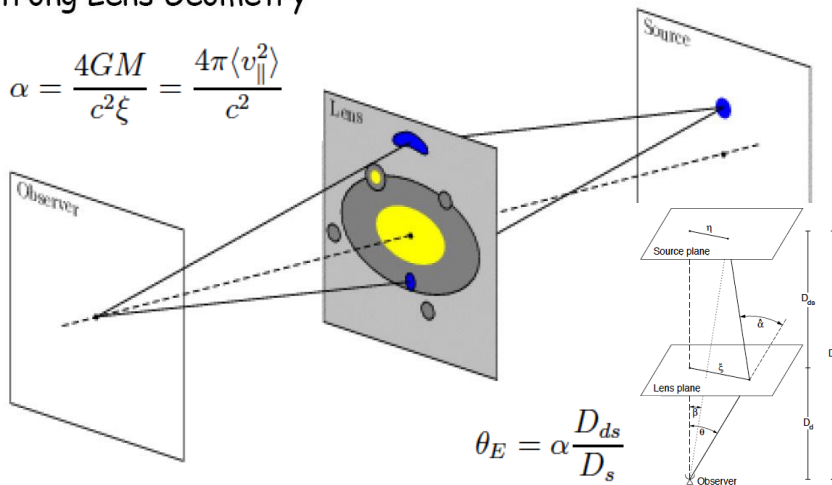
- **Strong Lensing:**
nonlinear distortions
- **Weak Lensing:**
linear distortions



Gravitational Strong Lensing

Strong Lens Geometry

$$\alpha = \frac{4GM}{c^2\xi} = \frac{4\pi\langle v_{\parallel}^2 \rangle}{c^2}$$



Clusters: Gravitational Lensing



Strong Lensing Arcs:

Abell 2218

$z=0.175$

Galaxy Cluster Abell 2218

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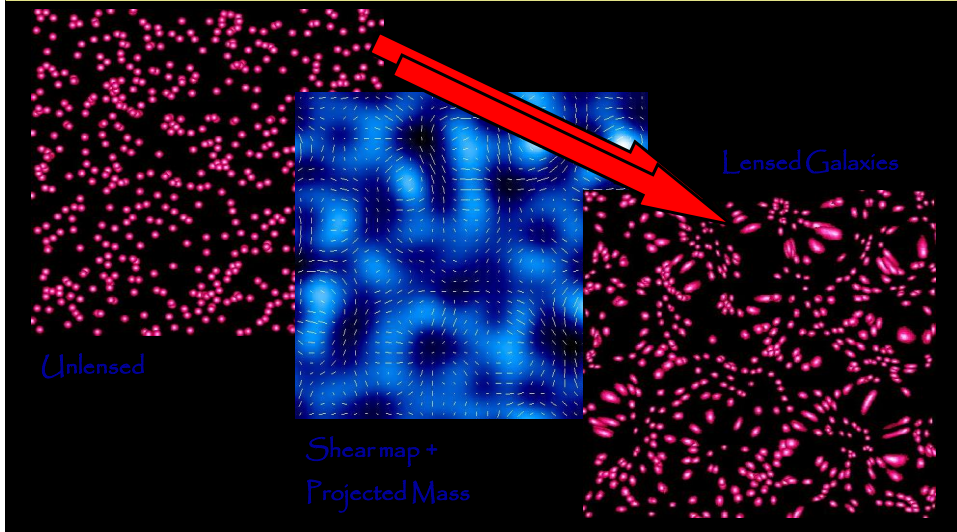
Clusters: Gravitational Weak Lensing

Weak Lensing:

MS1054

- $z=0.83$ one of the highest z clusters
- Weak Lensing study by
 - Clowe et al. Keck
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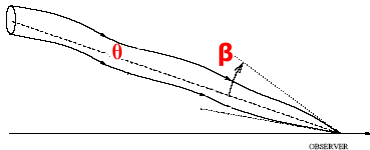
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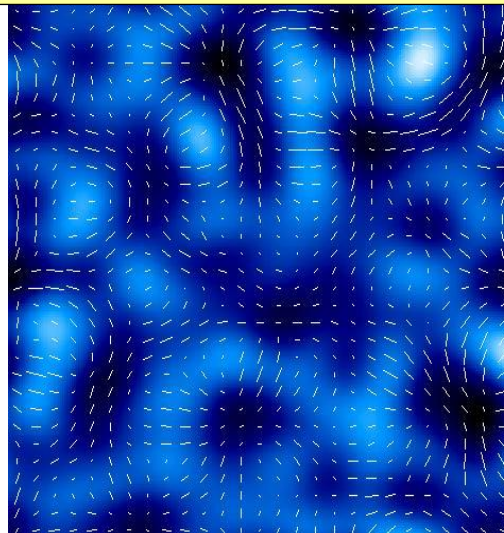
Gravitational Lensing

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

Magnification Shear



$$\begin{aligned} \kappa &= \frac{1}{2} (\phi_{,11} + \phi_{,22}) \\ \gamma_1 &= \frac{1}{2} (\phi_{,11} - \phi_{,22}) \\ \gamma_2 &= \phi_{,12} \\ \phi_{,ij} &= \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \end{aligned}$$



Gravitational Lensing

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

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

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

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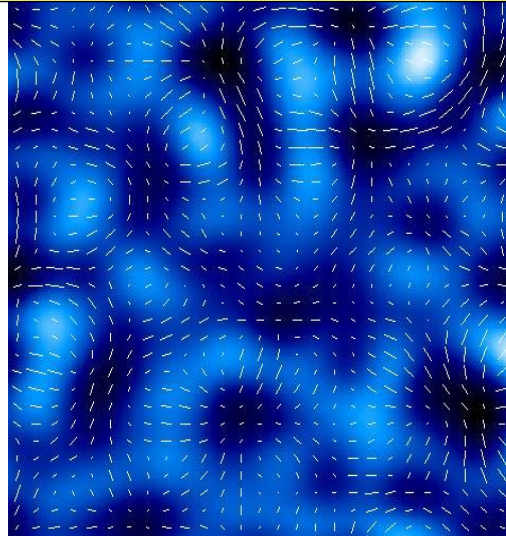


Lensing Potential

related to

Peculiar Gravitational Potential

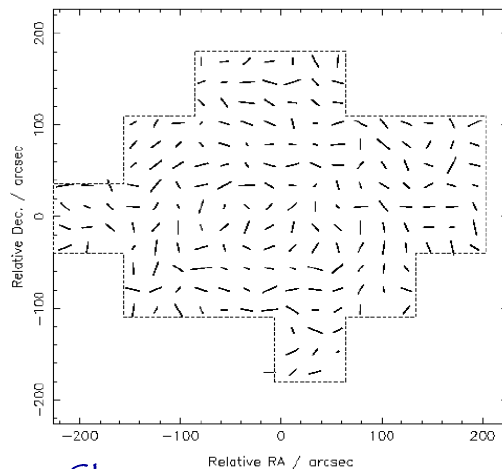
$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2}{c^2} \int_0^r dr' \Phi(r') \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{r'} \right)$$



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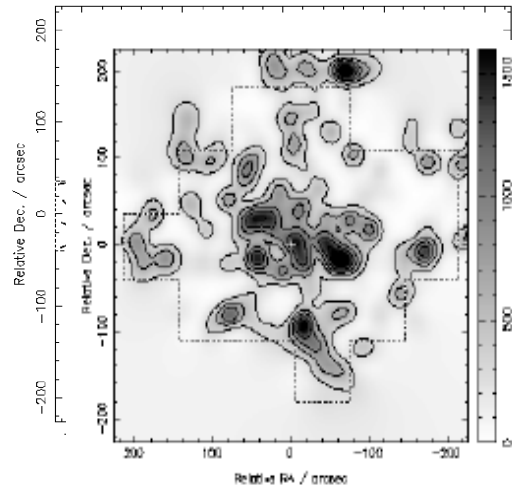


Shear map

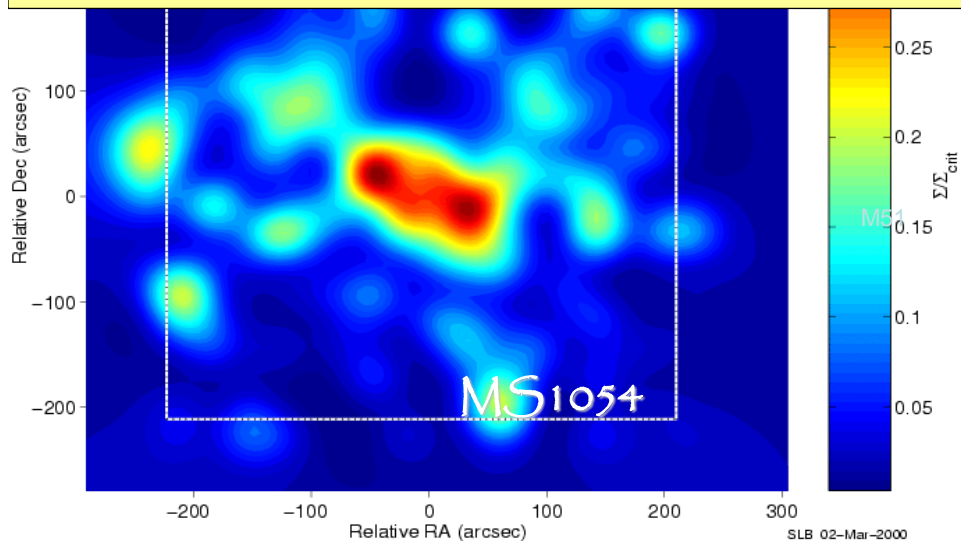
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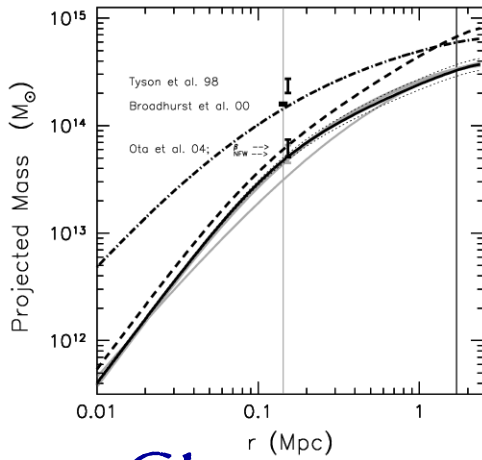
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 - Hoekstra et al. HST



Clusters: Gravitational Lensing

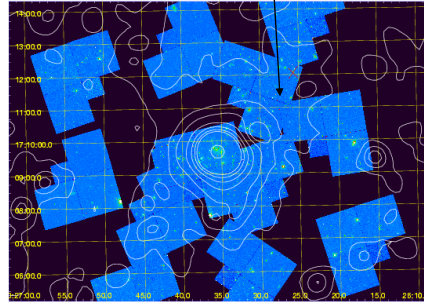


Clusters: Comparison Lensing & X-ray



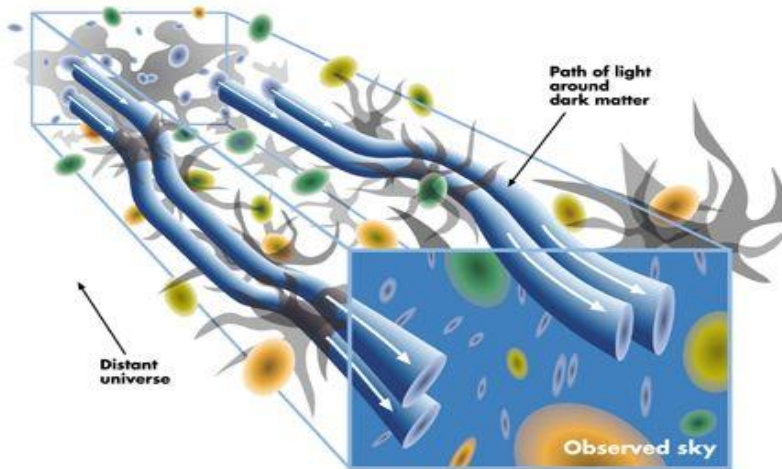
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Same substructure seen in
weak lensing and X-rays

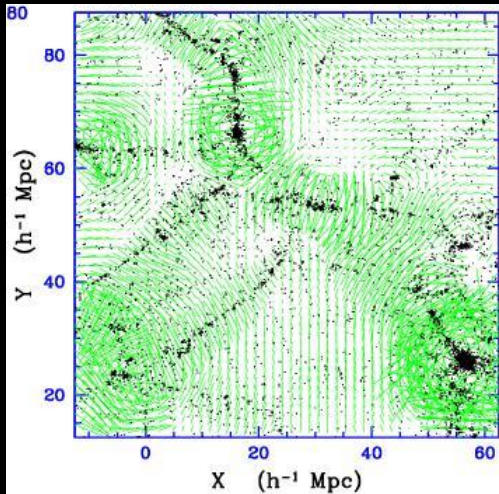


X-ray overlay on HST image

Cosmic Shear



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Large scale tidal shear distorts the paths of photons as they travel from their source to the observer.

This effect is known as "gravitational lensing". For moderate distortions, outside the Einstein radius ("weak lensing"),

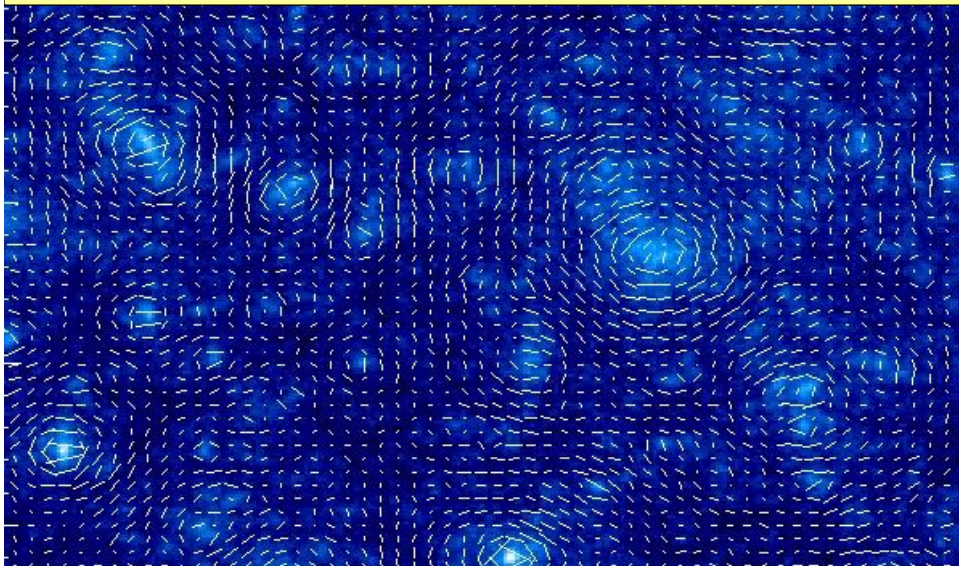
the distortions of galaxy shapes can be measured and inverted to yield the (projected) distorting mass distribution.

Clusters are outstanding, representing major potential wells.

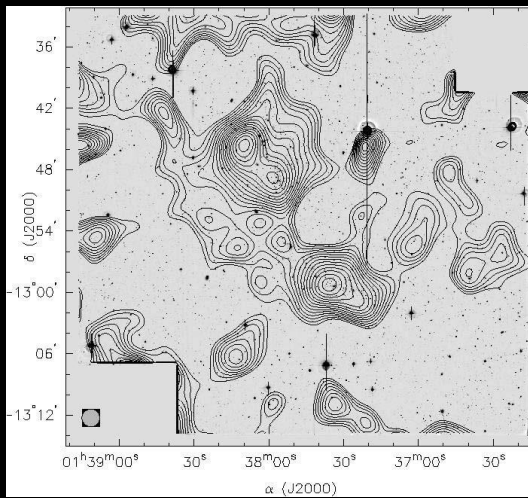
But also the generic Megaparsec matter distribution "lenses":

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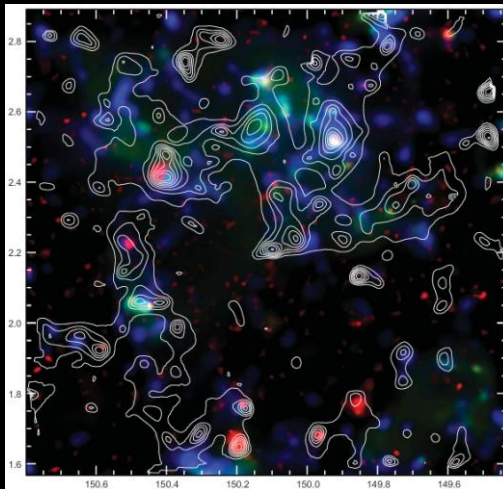
Although the cosmic shear due to a filament is considerably weaker than that of the clusters, recently

Dietrich, Schneider & Romano-Díaz (2004)

succeeded in mapping the filament between A222 and A333 on the basis of the measured lensing.

This shows that filaments are shown to be genuine dynamical entities.

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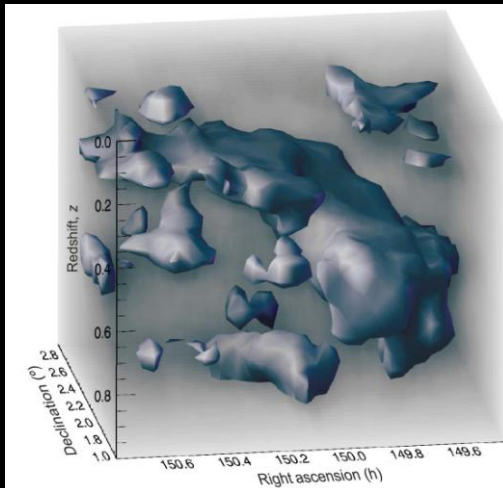
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