

# A Cosmological Test with Large-scale Structures at Intermediate Redshifts

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**Big Bang:** Nucleosynthesis/  
Cosmic Microwave Background

**Gravitational  
Instability:**  
Large-Scale Structure/  
CMB powerspectrum

**Standard  
Cosmological  
Model**

**$\Lambda$ CDM**

**Inflation:**  
isotropy/  
flatness

**Cosmological  
Constant,  $\Lambda$   
(dark energy):**  
accelerating expansion

**Based on  
General  
Relativity**

**Cold Dark Matter:**  
hierarchical structure  
formation

➤ **Test the Standard Cosmological Model with Large-scale Structure of the Universe**

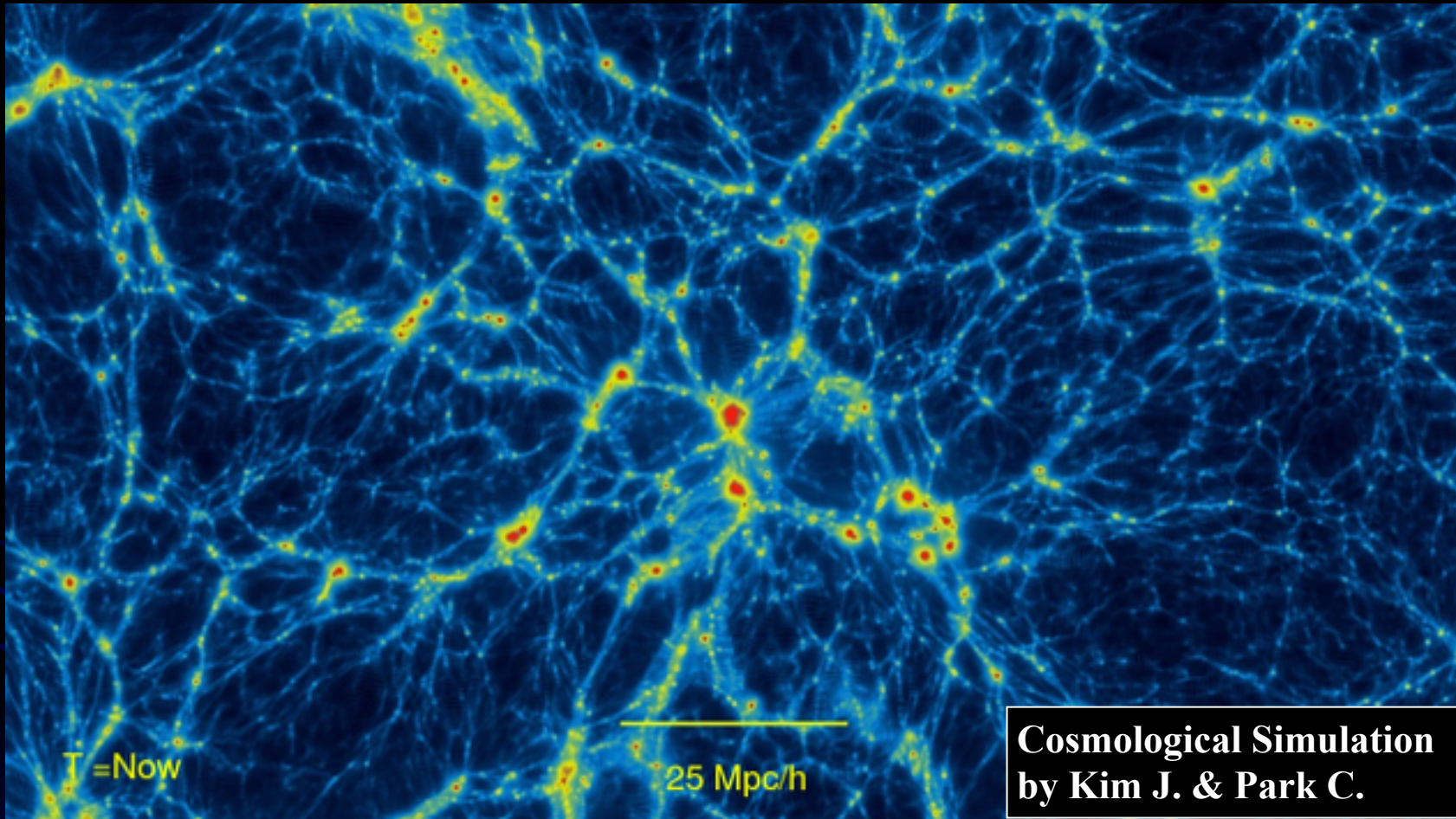
# LSS: Any structure of galaxy distribution larger than galaxy clusters ( $>\sim 10$ Mpc)

## ➤ Over-density Structure

- Filament, Chain
- Wall, Pancake, Sheet

## ➤ Under-density Structure

- Tunnel
- Void, Cell, Bubble



## ➤ Physical properties of large-scale structure depend on

- cosmological parameters
- physics of galaxy formation

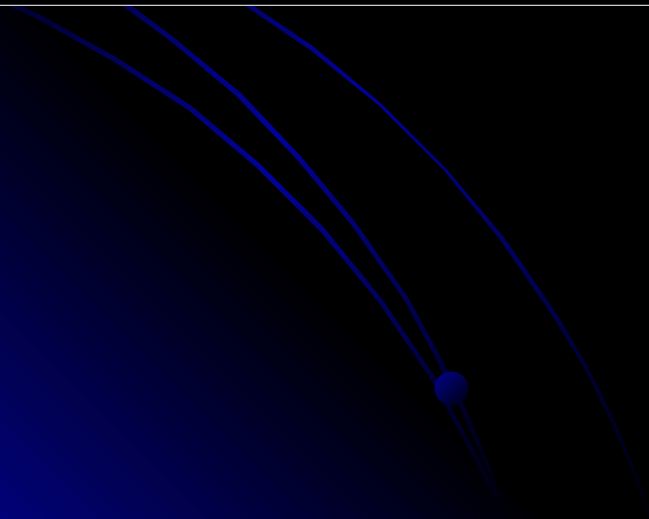
← Strong Constraints

# In this Talk,

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- **Cosmological Test with the large-scale structure**
- **There were many cosmological tests in nearby Universe**
- **Need to study the evolution of large-scale structure (structure is still forming)**

**Q: Is the large-scale structure in cosmological simulations consistent with that in observations at intermediate redshifts (9-11 Gyrs)?**





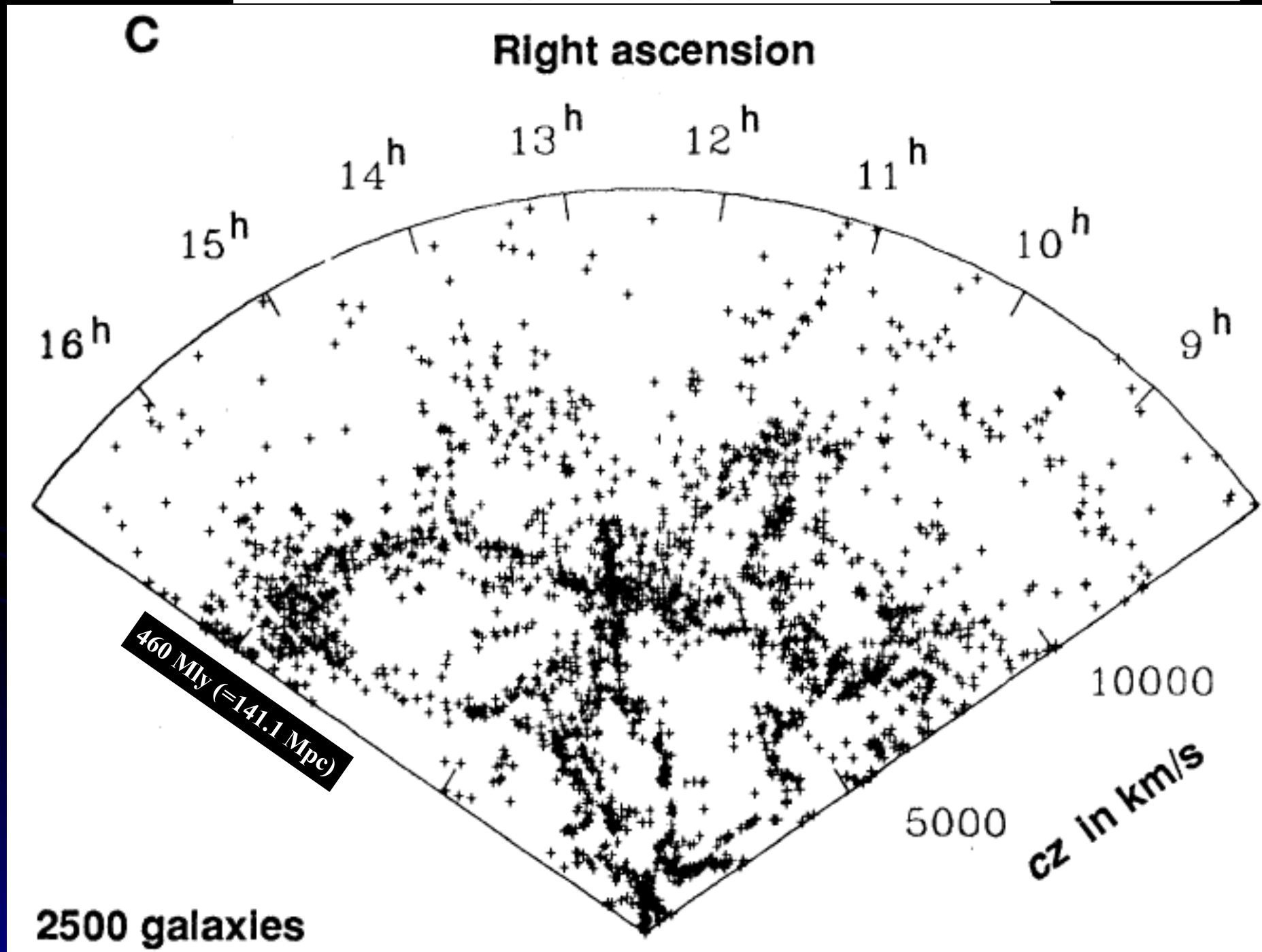
Coma Cluster (SDSS)

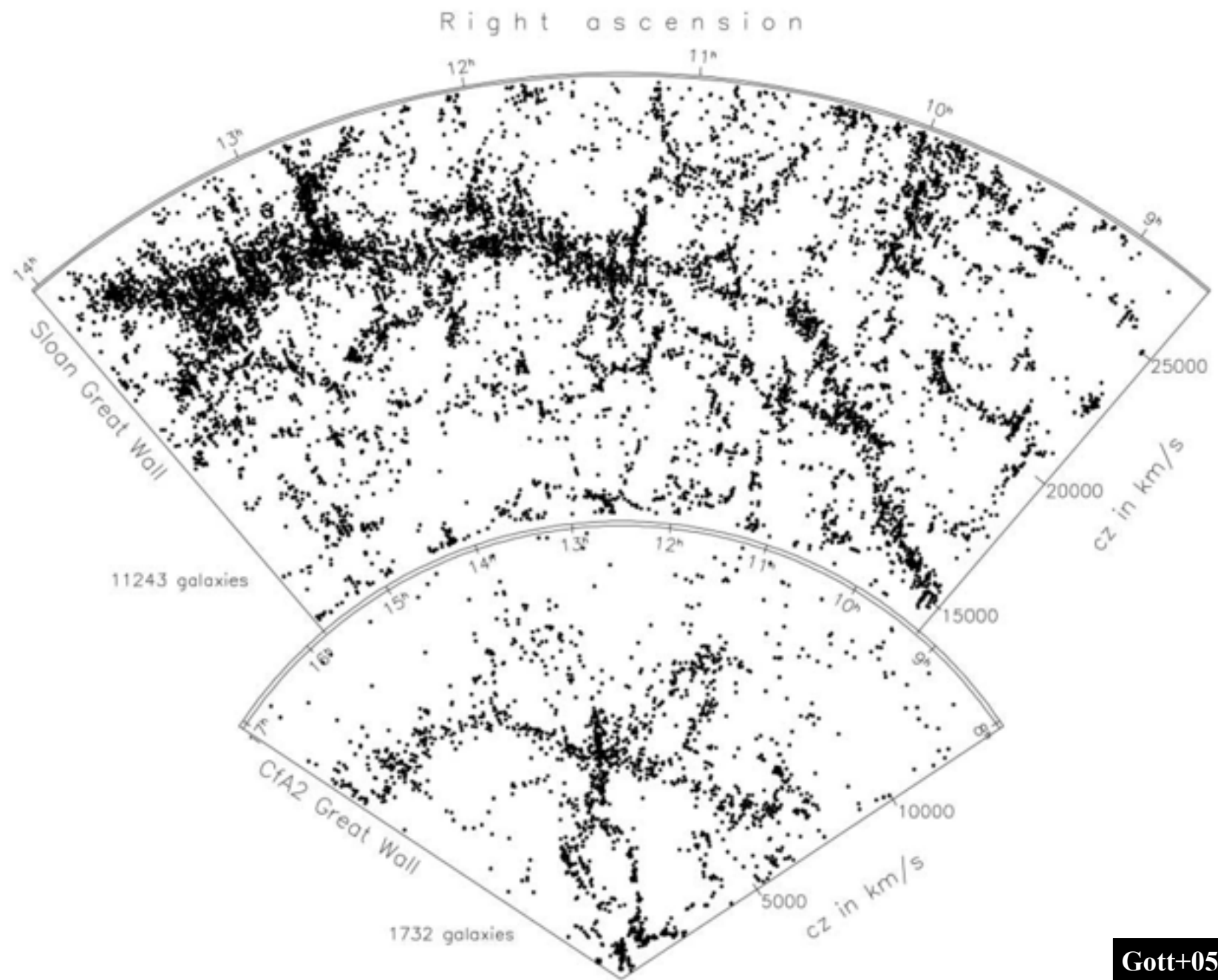
2D => 3D

# Mapping the Universe

MARGARET J. GELLER AND JOHN P. HUCHRA

CfA Great Wall

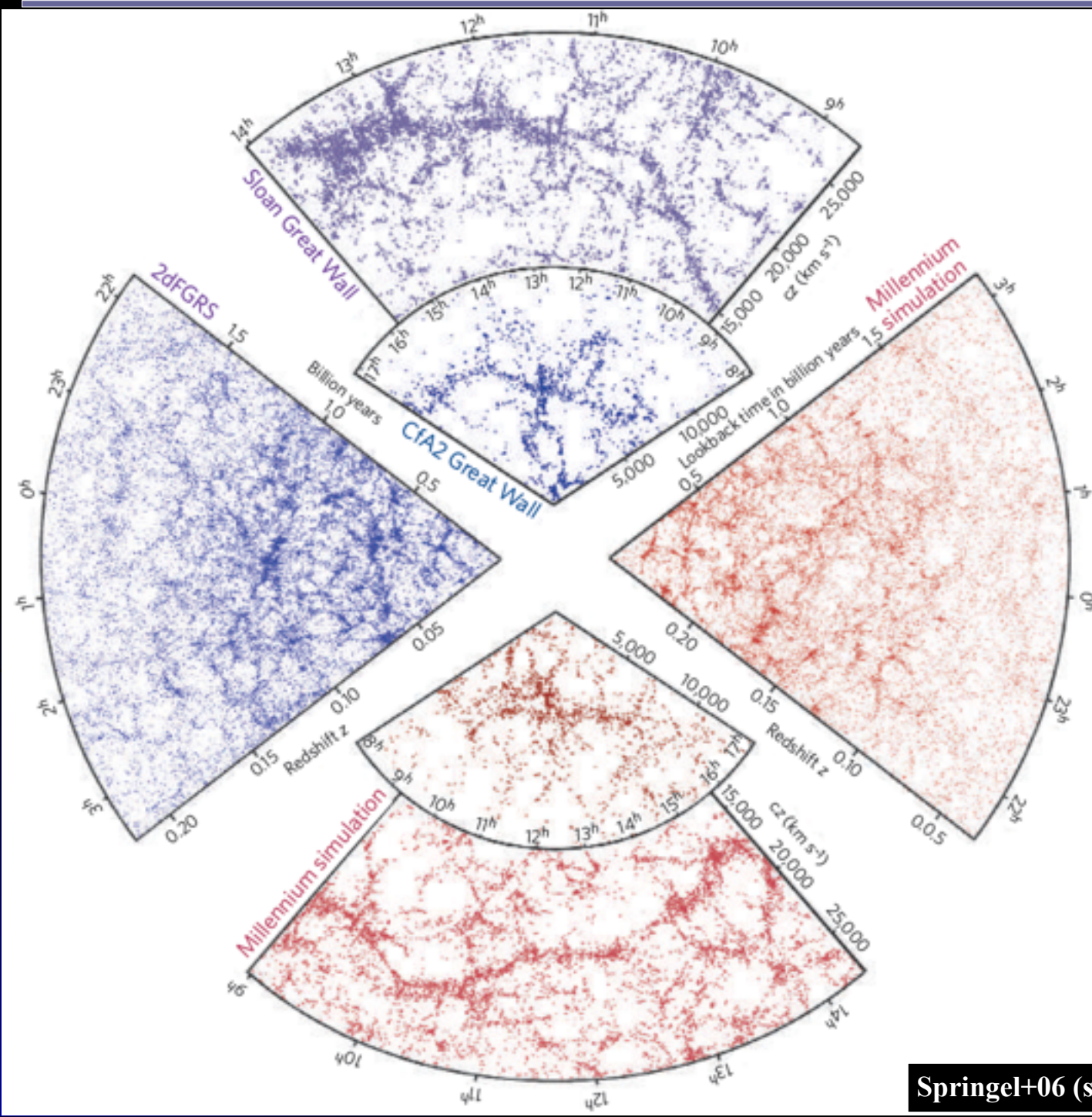




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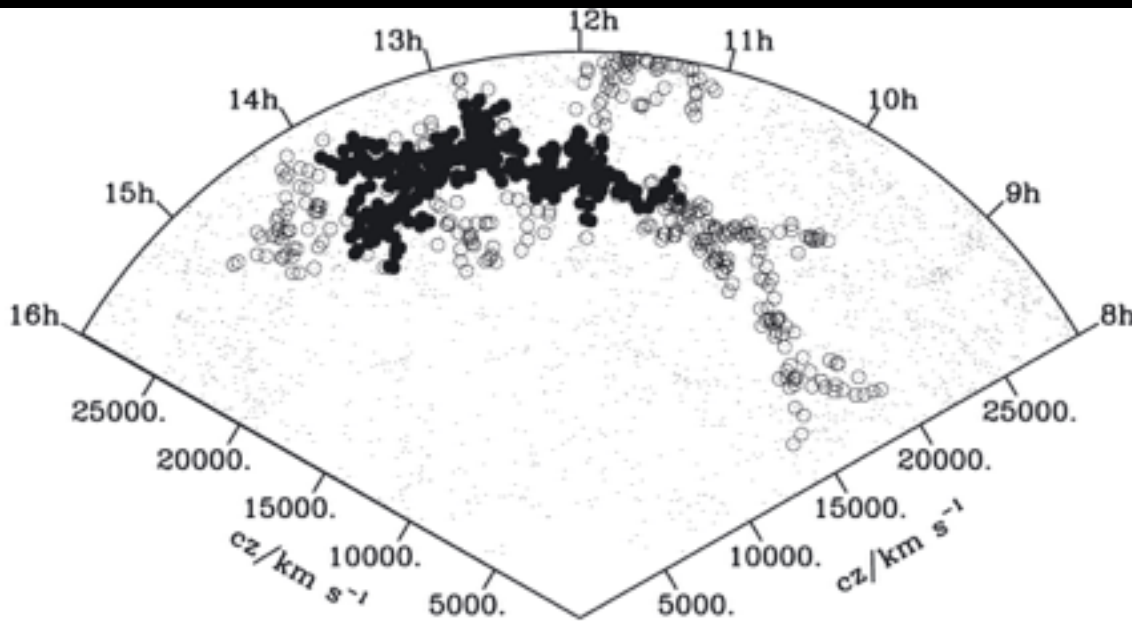
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# Largest Structures: Cosmological Tests

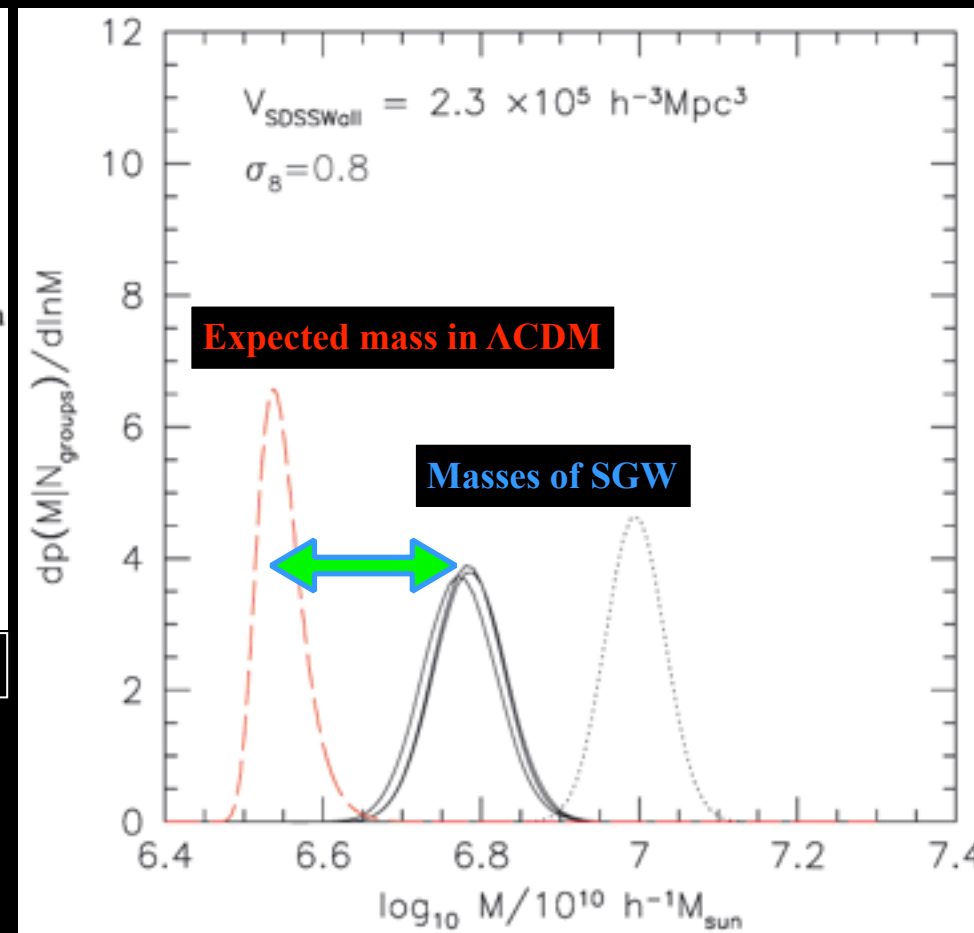


# How unusual is the Sloan Great Wall?

Sheth & Diaferio (11)



different link length:  $8 h^{-1}$  Mpc (filled) and  $12 h^{-1}$  Mpc (open)

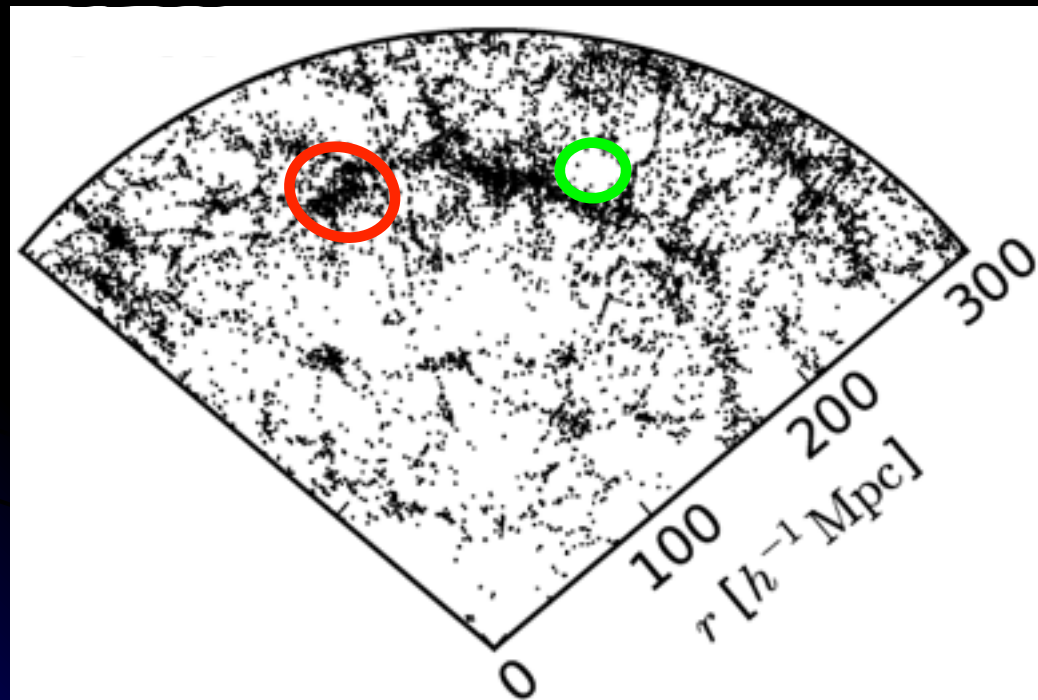


**A: The Sloan Great Wall is very unusual.**  
Its existence is difficult (4 sigma) to reconcile  
with the  $\Lambda$ CDM model (Gaussian initial conditions &  $\sigma_8=0.8$ )

# The Challenge of the Largest Structures in the Universe to Cosmology

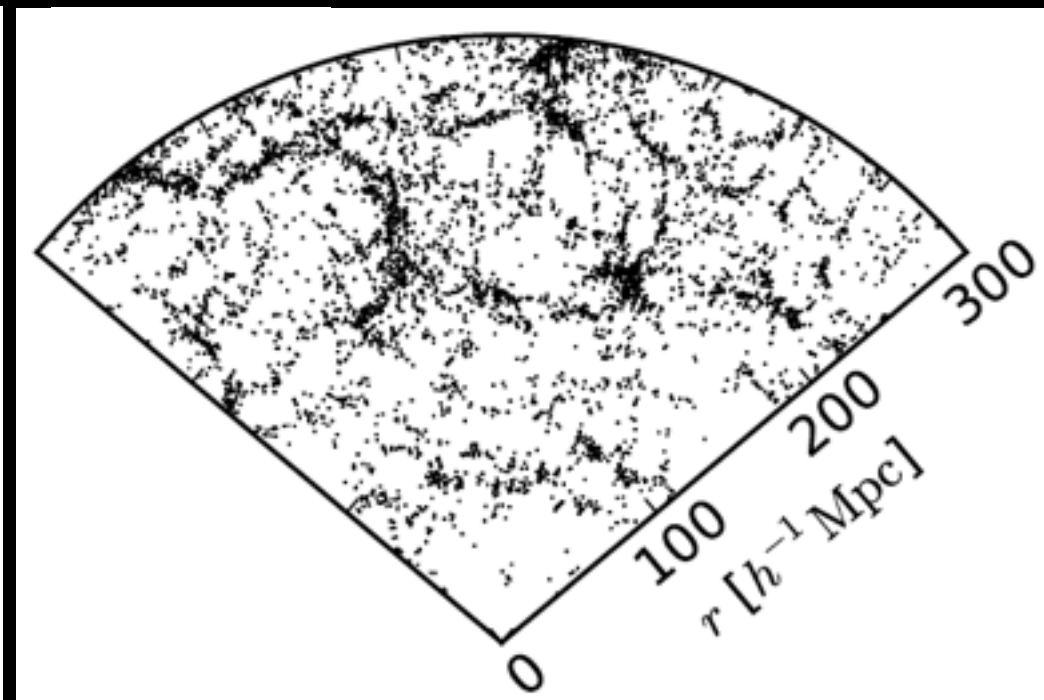
Park+12

**Observation: Sloan Digital Sky Survey**

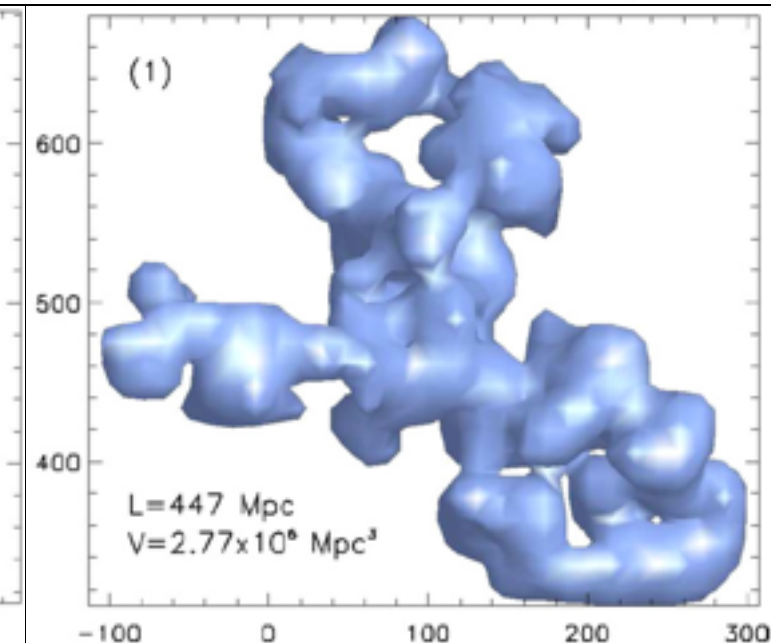
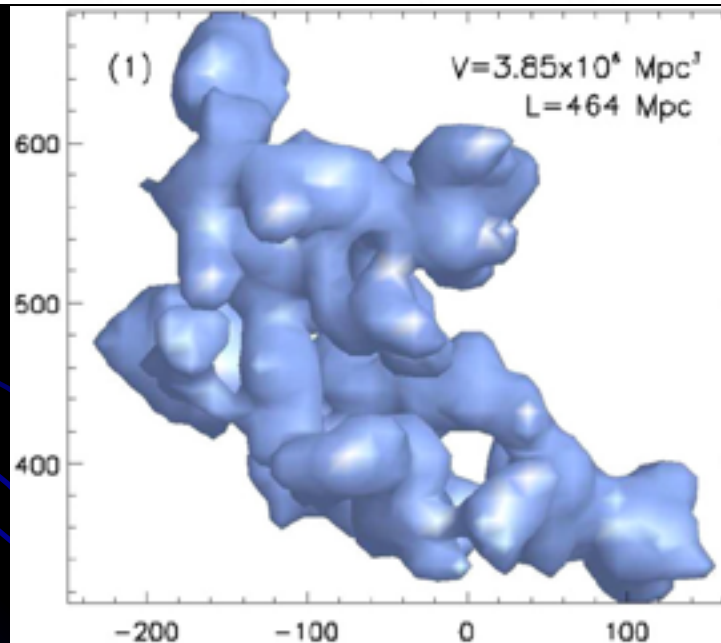
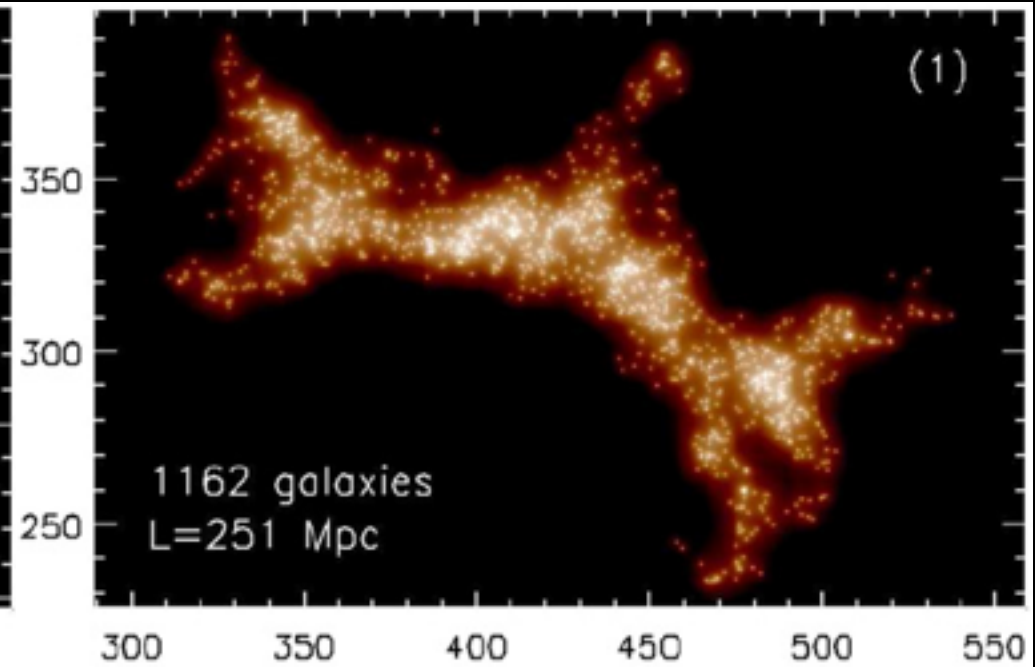
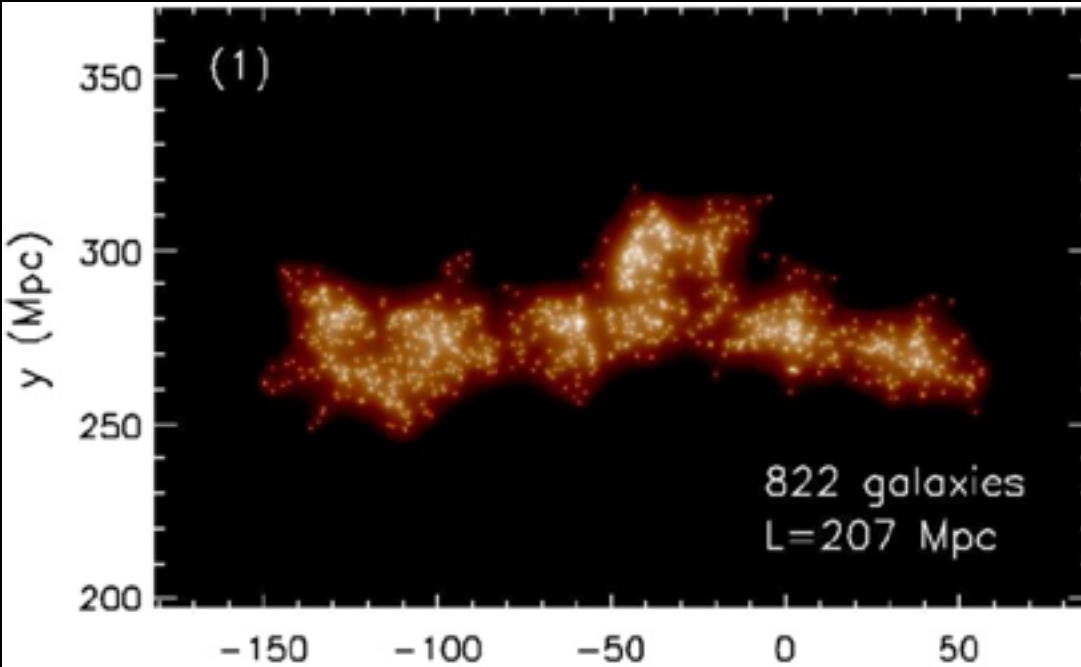


**Simulation: Horizon Run 2**

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Park+12;Hong+15

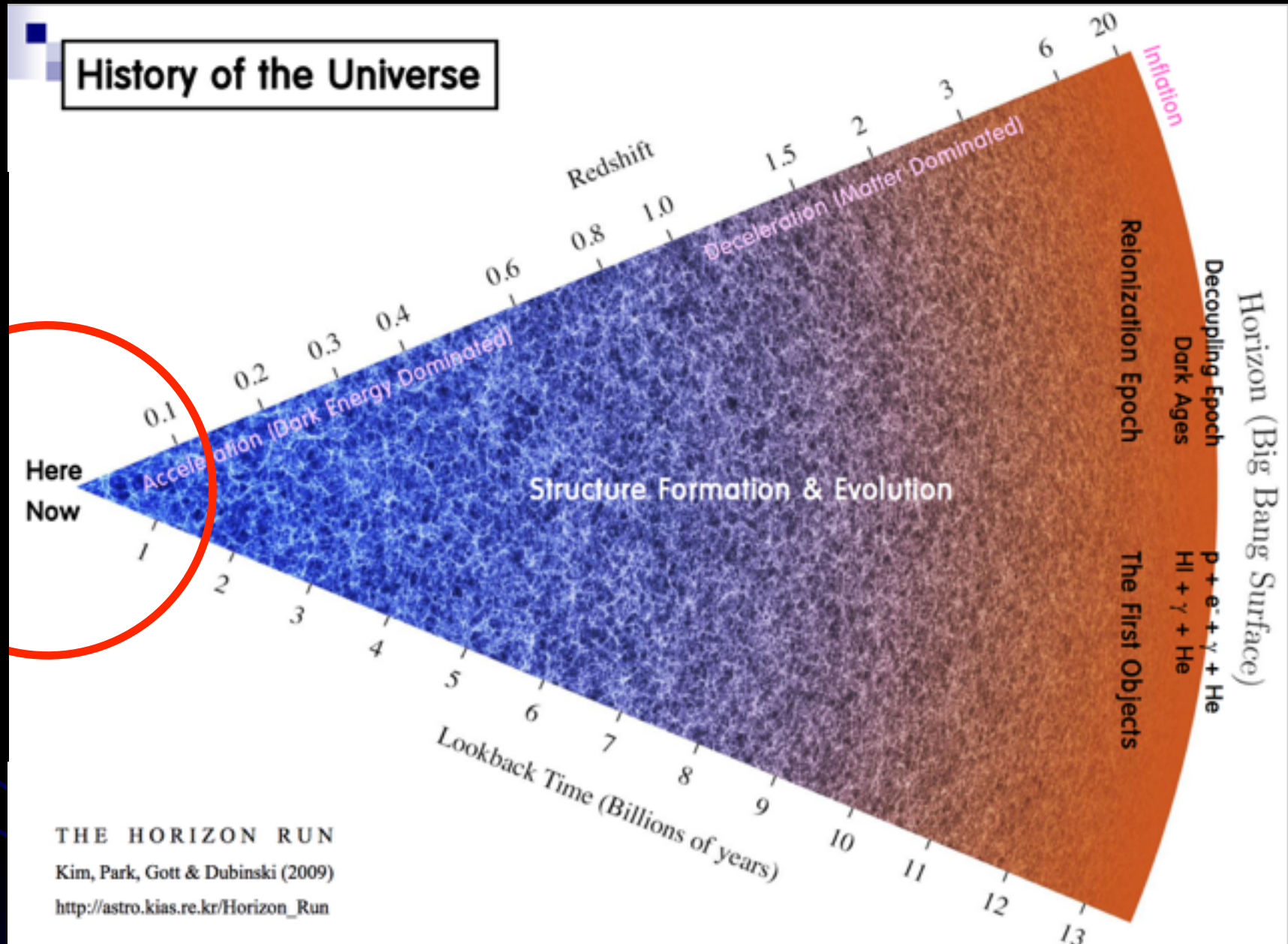


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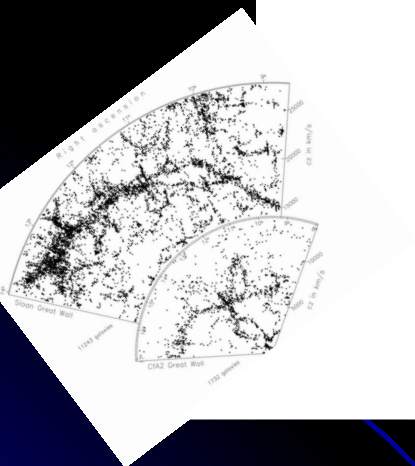
**Q: Do we expect this kinds of largest-scale structures in our standard  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology?**

**A: Yes, for nearby universe ( $\sim 1.3$  Gyrs ago, quantitative analysis in Park+12)**

# History of the Universe



- Only for nearby universe where structure formation is almost complete.
- To fully understand how structure forms in the universe, it is important to study the *evolution of large-scale structure*, sensitive to dark matter and dark energy.



HectoMAP (Geller, Hwang+)

# HectoMAP

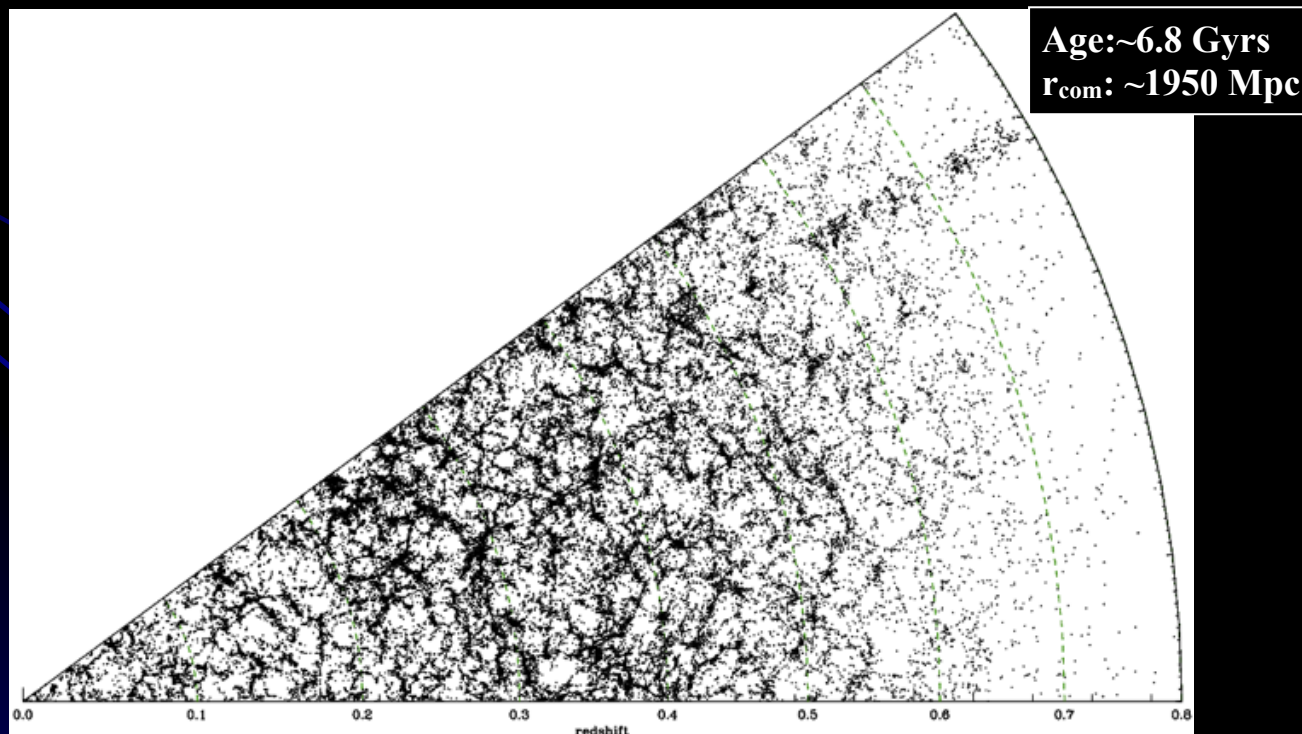
M. J. Geller, H. S. Hwang, et al.

Age: ~8 Gyrs



# HectoMAP Survey

- One of densest and complete survey of red galaxies at  $r < 21.3$  (20.5)
  - HectoMAP: 600-1200 gals/deg<sup>2</sup>, BOSS:  $\sim 150$  gals/deg<sup>2</sup>
- Compare the mass distribution with that in weak lensing maps
- Directly measure the mass accretion rate of galaxy clusters
- Examine the evolution of Large-scale Structure (Hwang+16, ApJ, 818, 106)



# Horizon Runs @ KIAS

➤ One of densest and largest cosmological simulations

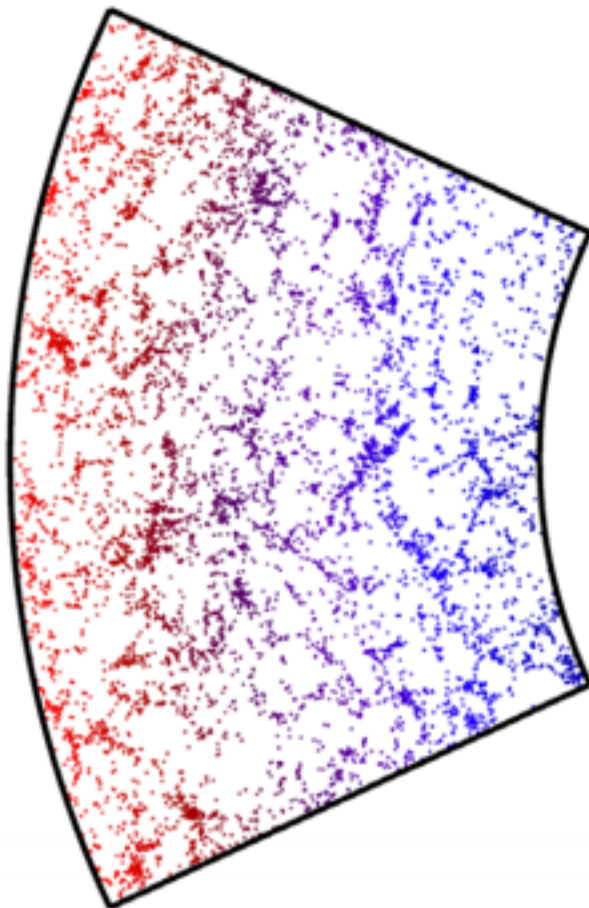
	HR1	HR2	HR3	HR4
Model	WMAP5	WMAP5	WMAP5	WMAP5
$\Omega_M$	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26
$\Omega_b$	0.044	0.044	0.044	0.044
$\Omega_\Lambda$	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.74
Spectral index	0.96	0.96	0.96	0.96
$H_0$ [100 km s <sup>-1</sup> Mpc <sup>-1</sup> ]	72	72	72	72
$\sigma_8$	0.794	0.794	0.794	0.794
Box size [ $h^{-1}$ Mpc]	6592	7200	10815	3150
No. of grids for initial conditions	4120 <sup>3</sup>	6000 <sup>3</sup>	7210 <sup>3</sup>	6300 <sup>3</sup>
No. of CDM particles	4120 <sup>3</sup>	6000 <sup>3</sup>	7210 <sup>3</sup>	6300 <sup>3</sup>
Starting redshift	23	32	27	100
No. of global time steps	400	800	600	2000
Mean particle separation [ $h^{-1}$ Mpc]	1.6	1.2	1.5	0.5
Particle mass [ $10^{11} h^{-1} M_\odot$ ]	2.96	1.25	2.44	0.0902
Minimum halo mass (30 particles) [ $10^{11} h^{-1} M_\odot$ ]	88.8	37.5	73.2	2.706
Mean separation of minimum mass PSB halos [ $h^{-1}$ Mpc]	13.08	9.01	11.97	4.08

Kim J.+15

T = 11.179 Byrs ago

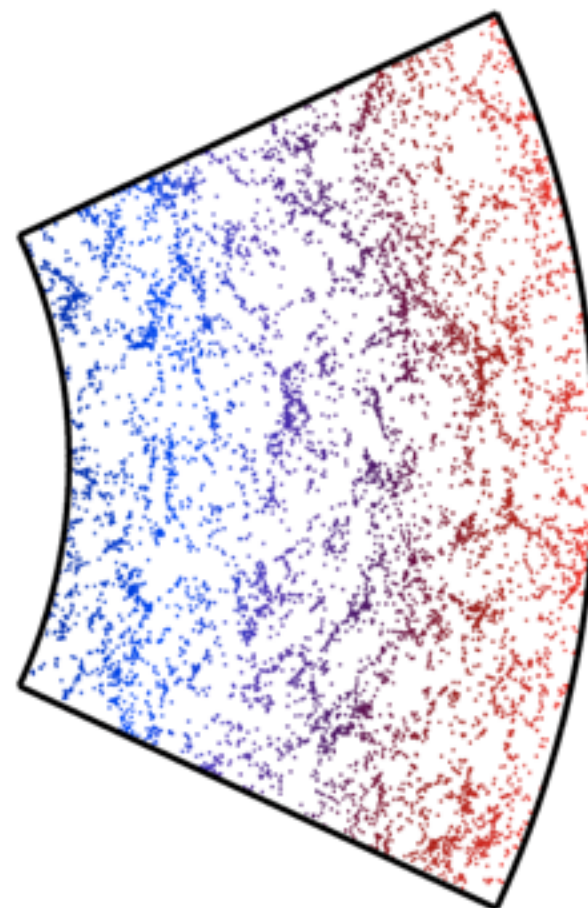
25 Mpc/h

# Large-scale Structures in the HectoMAP and Horizon Runs



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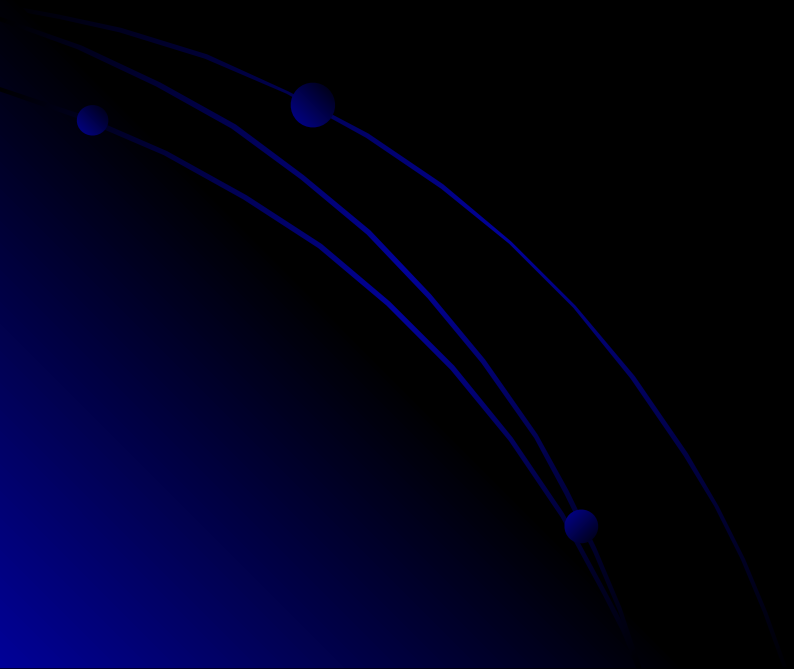


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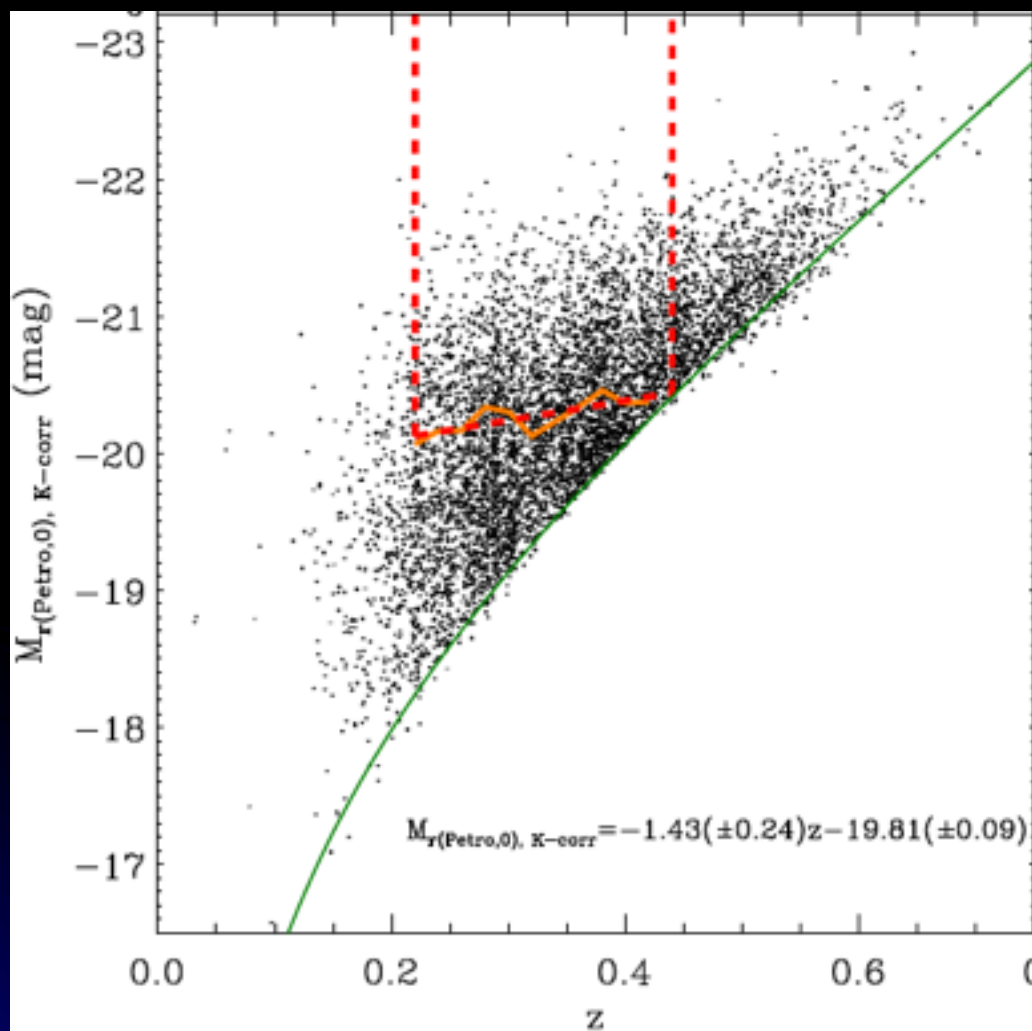
By applying the same criteria to the observations and simulations to identify over- and under-dense large-scale features of the galaxy distribution,

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- **2) Examine the Probability to find observed largest structures in the simulation.**

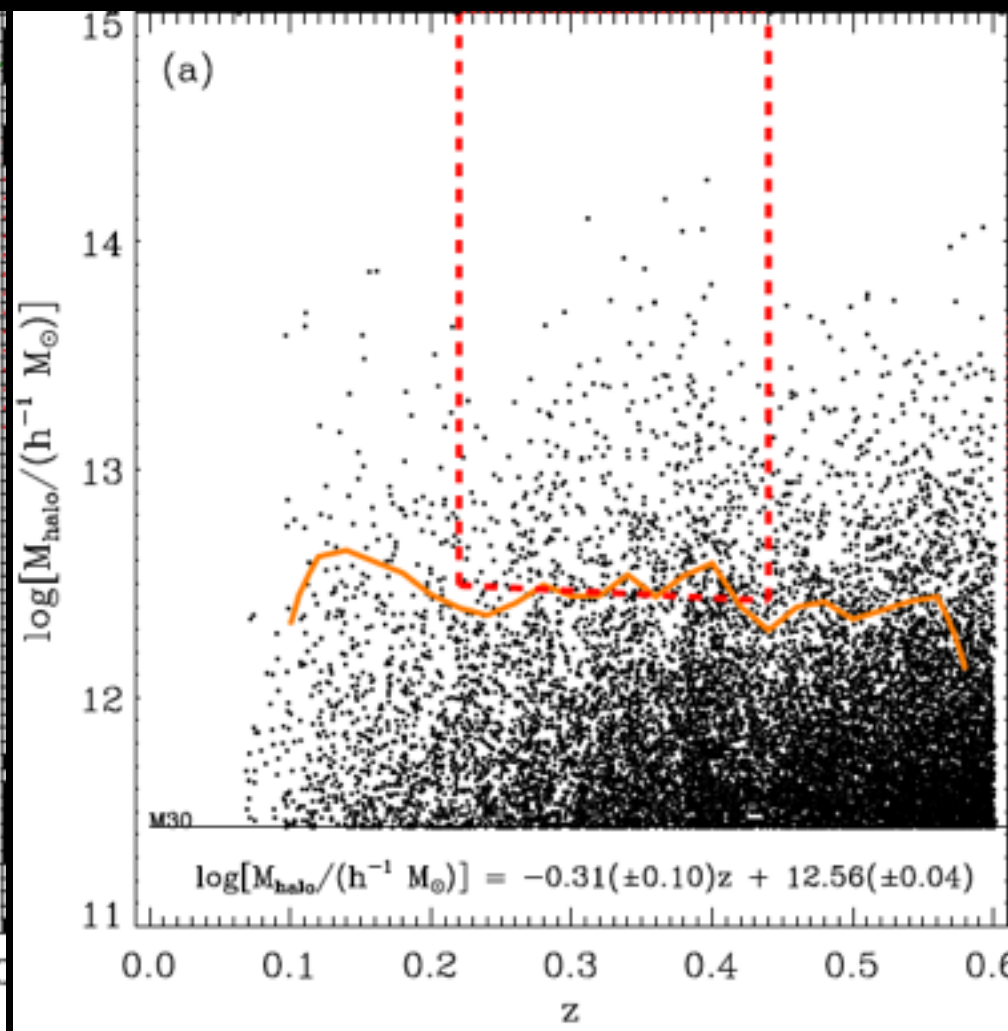


# LSS in HectoMAP and Horizon Run 4: Sample Construction

Volume-limited Samples with the same galaxy/halo number density

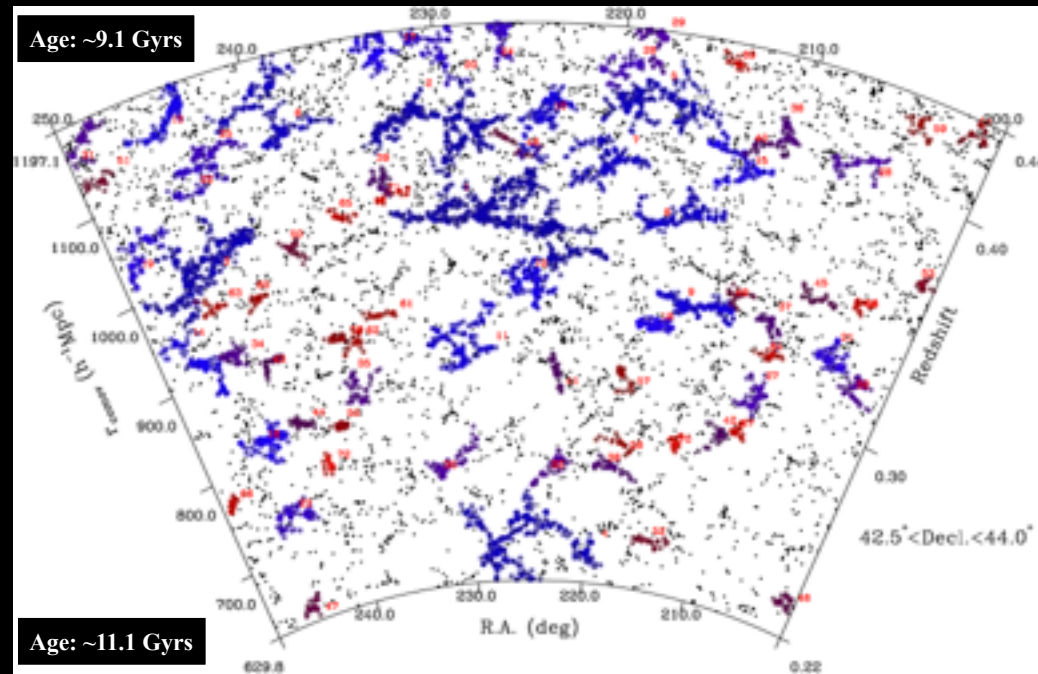


HectoMAP

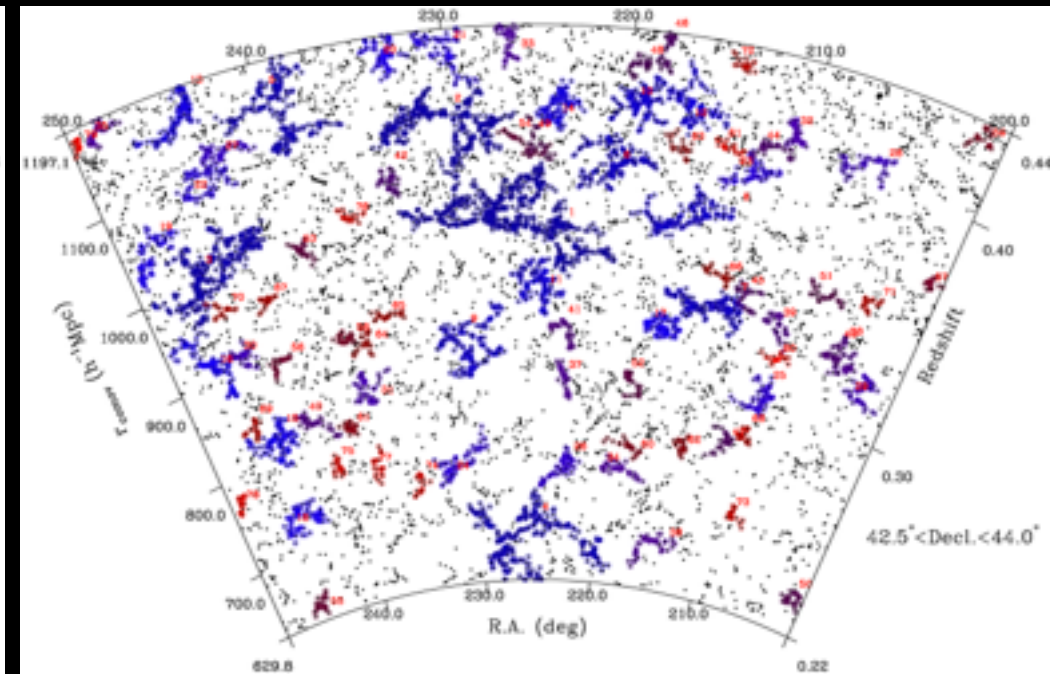


Horizon Run4

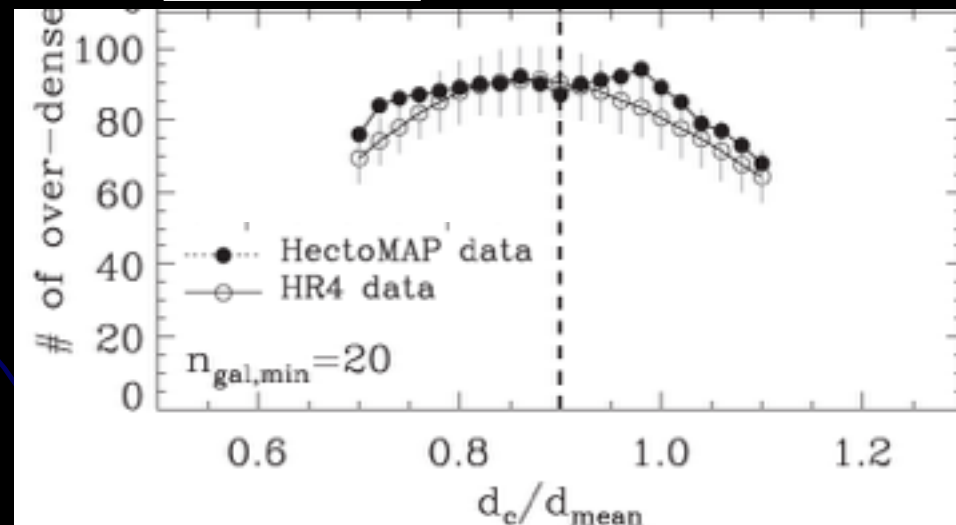
# Identification of Over-dense Large-scale Structure



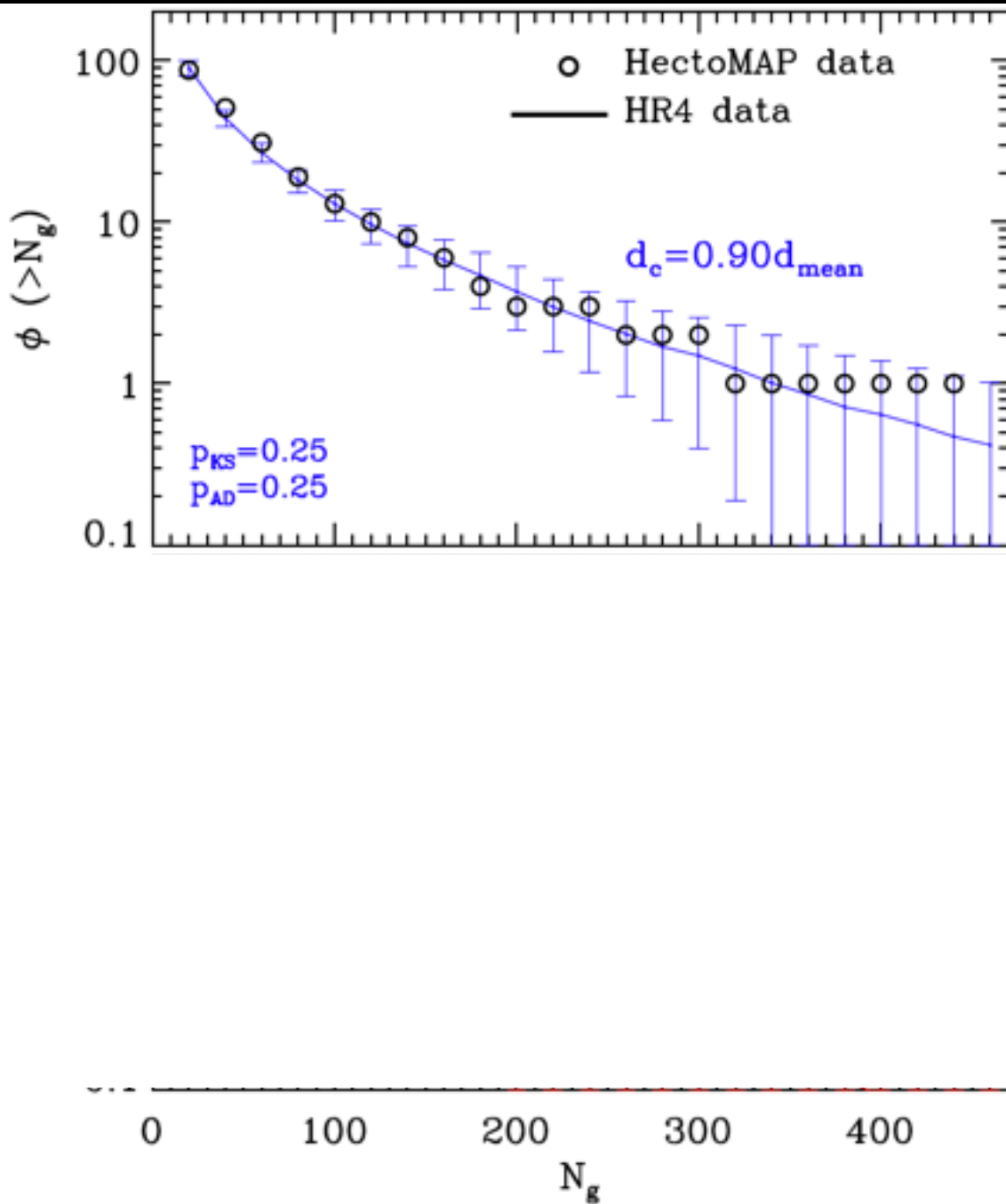
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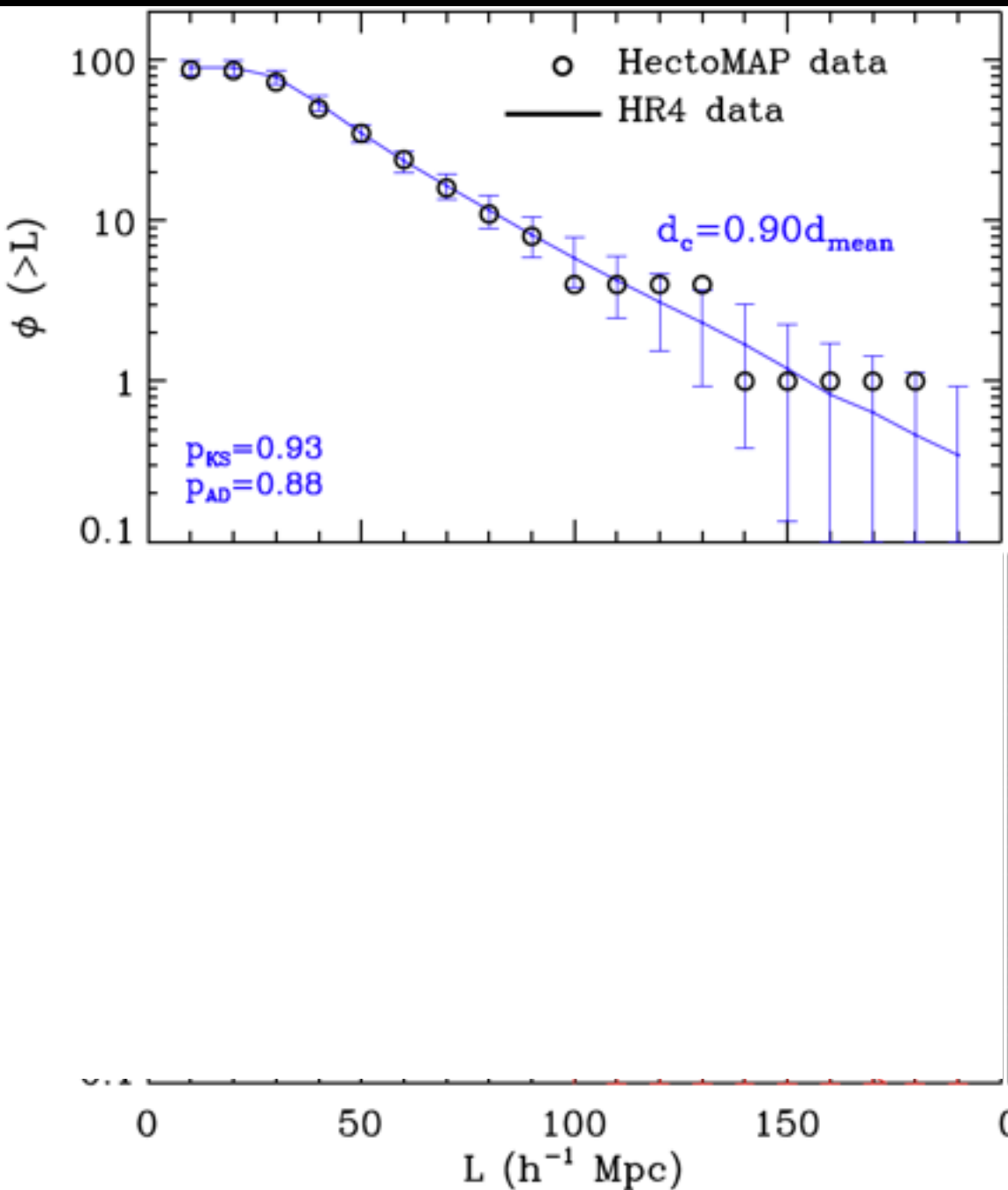
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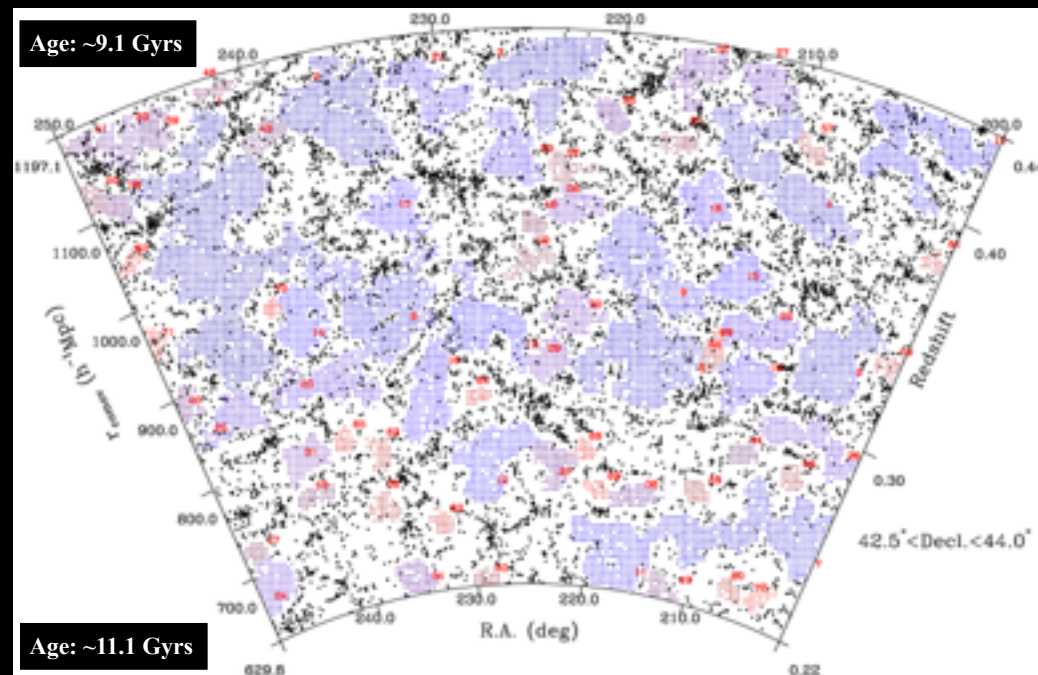
# Richness Distribution of Over-dense LSS



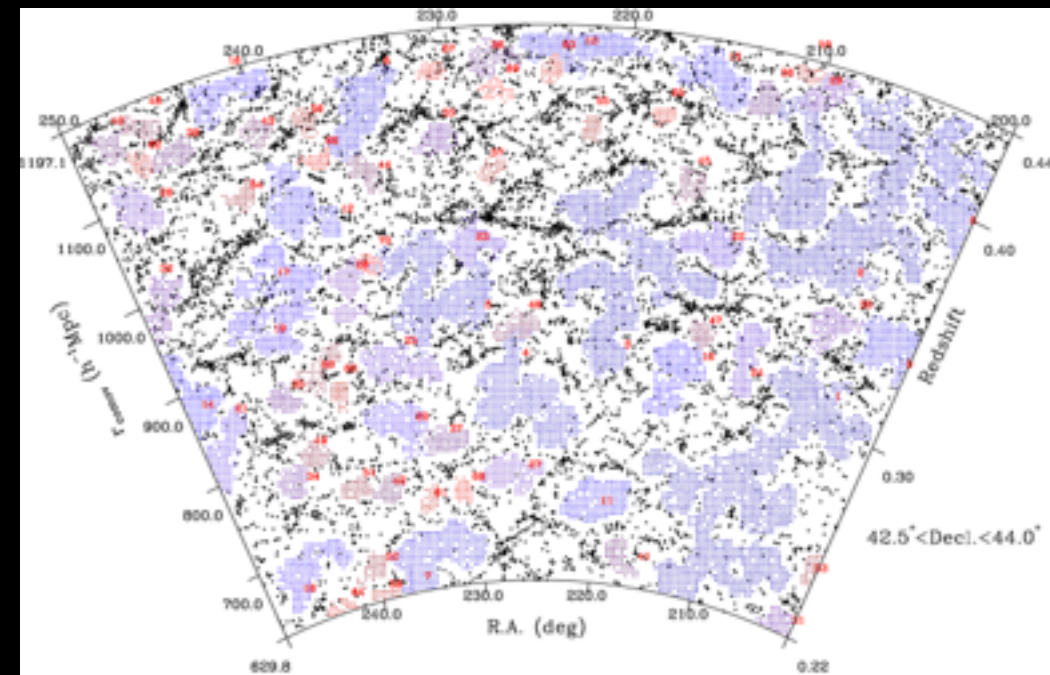
# Size Distribution of Over-dense LSS



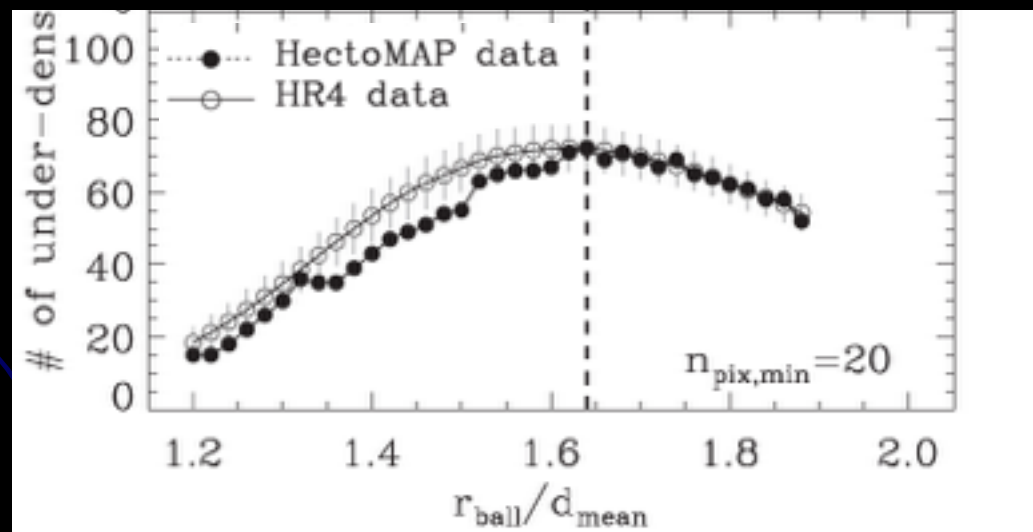
# Identification of Under-dense LSS (Voids)



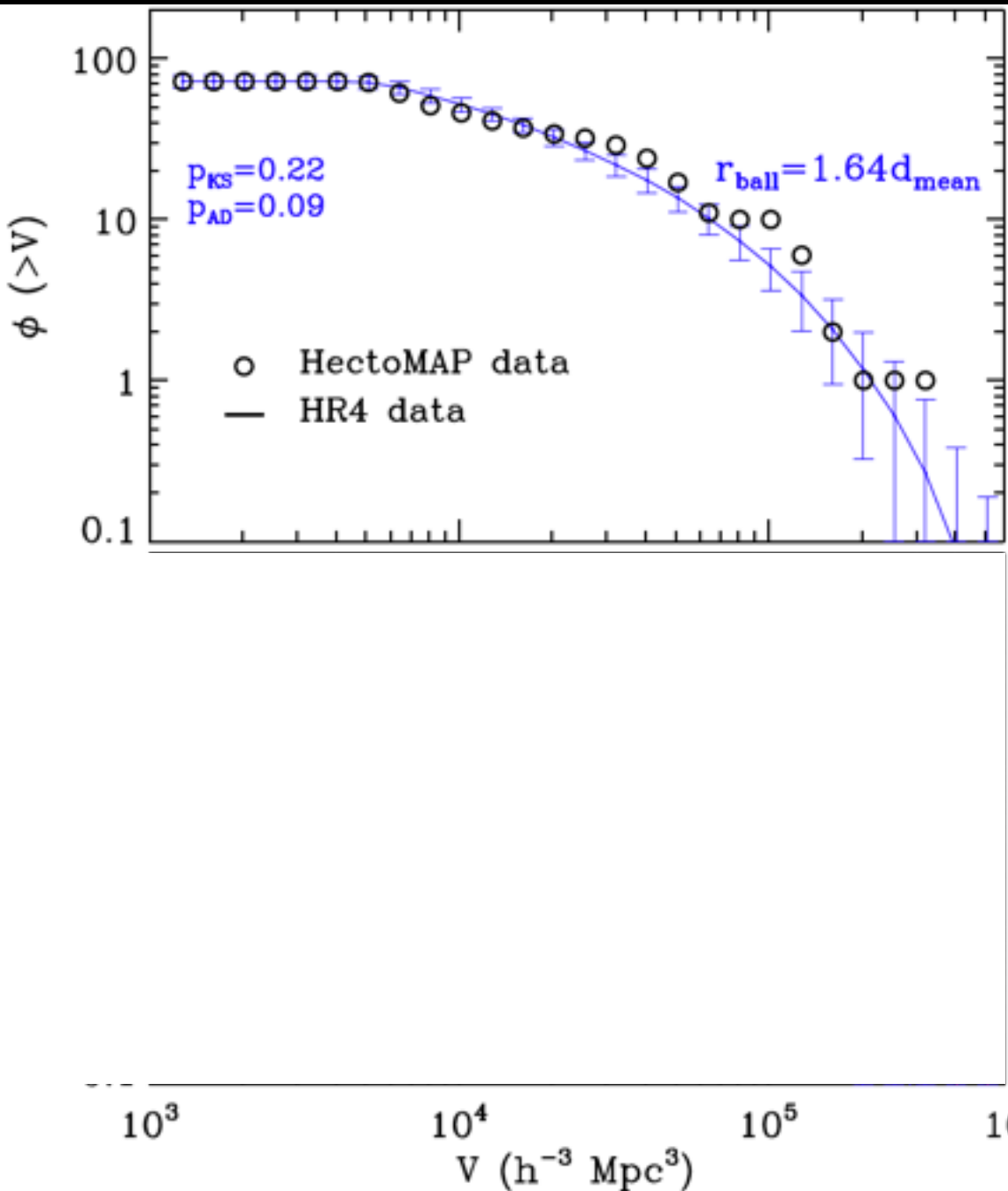
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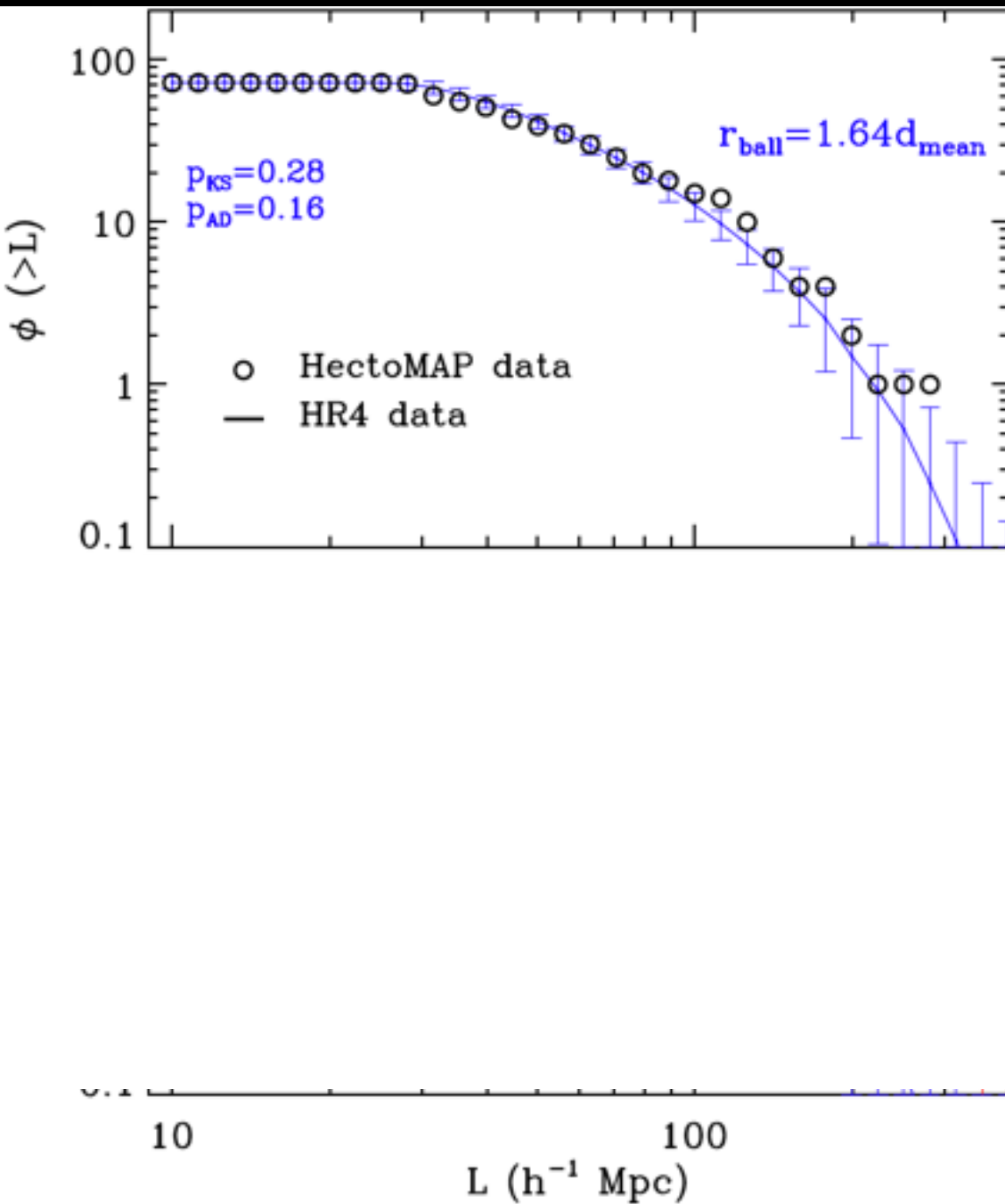
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# Volume Distribution of Voids



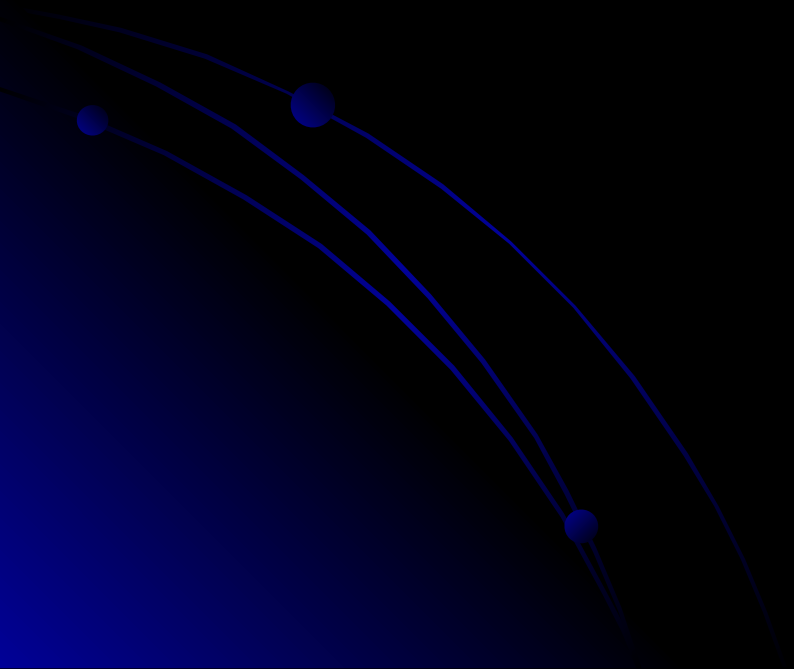
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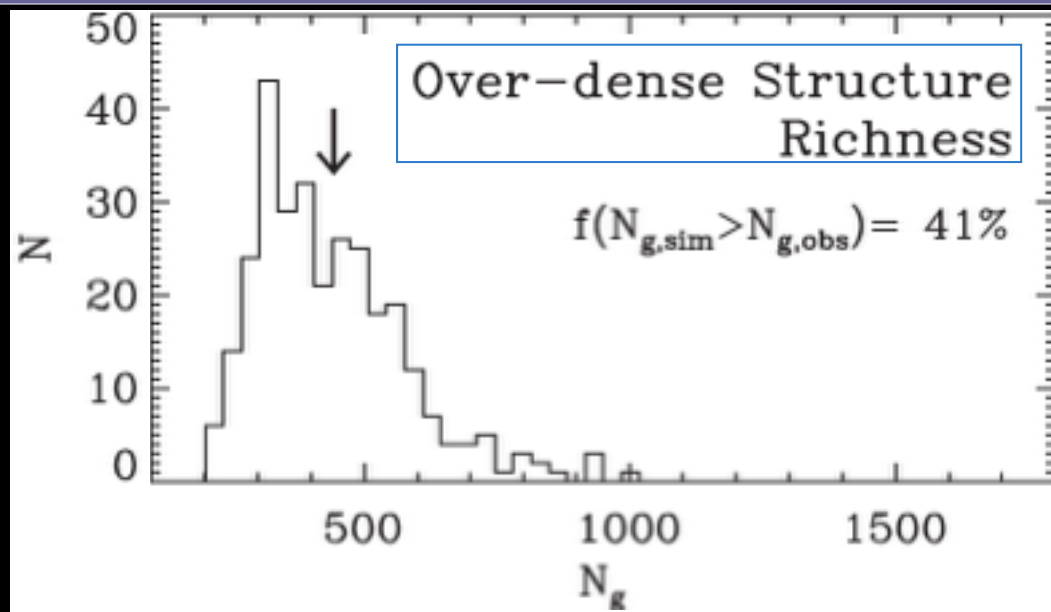
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- **The physical properties of observed large-scale structures at intermediate redshifts ( $0.22 < z < 0.44$ ) are remarkably consistent with predictions of the standard  $\Lambda$ CDM model.**



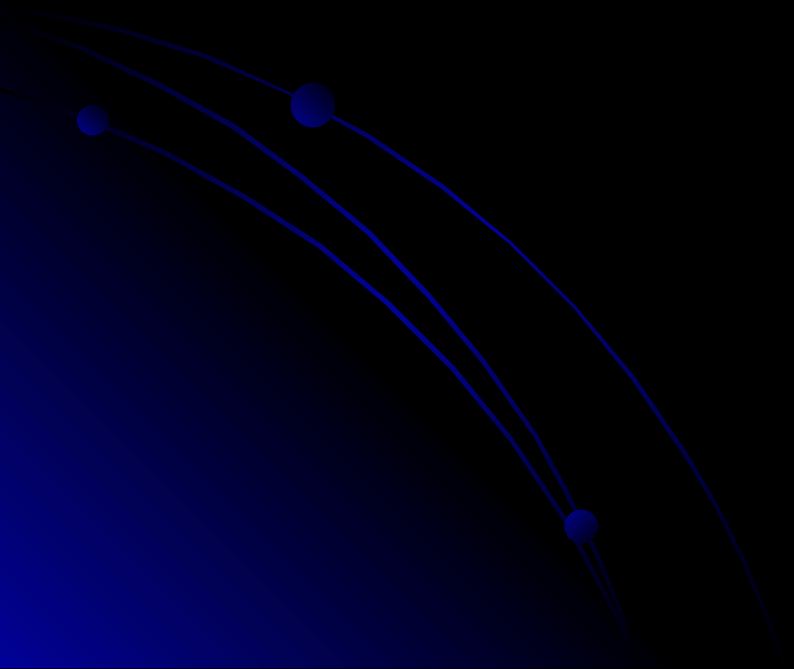
## 2) Largest Structures: HectoMAP vs. 300 Horizon Run 4 mock surveys

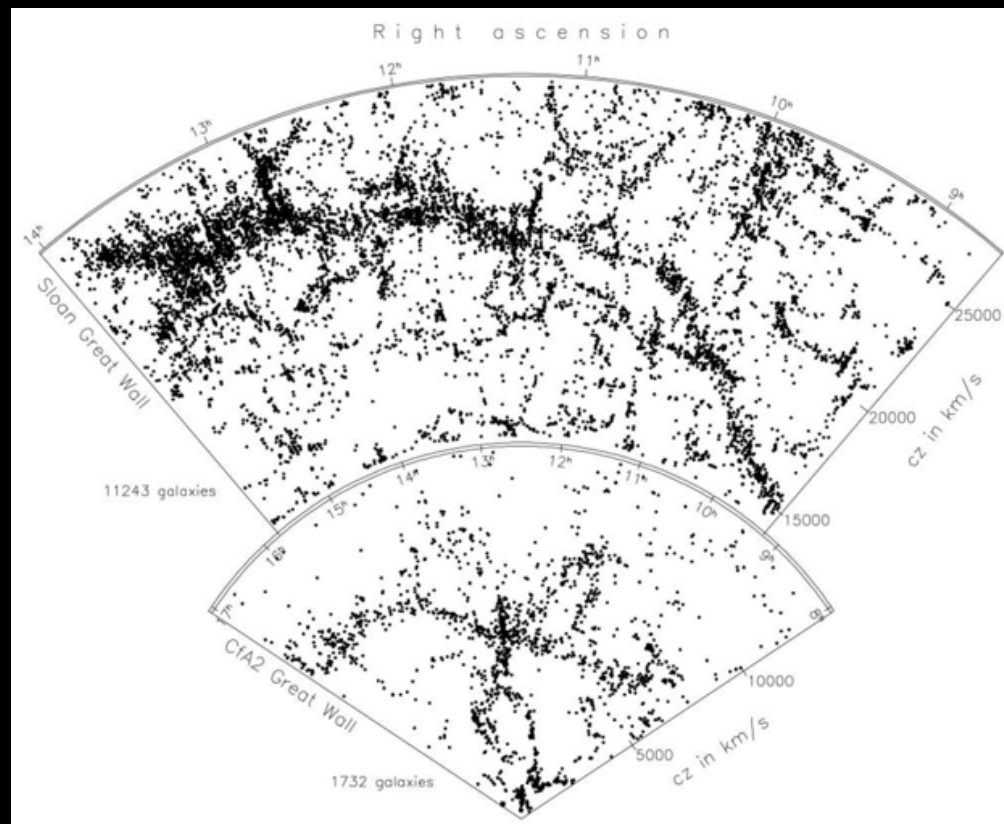


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- **2) Examine the Probability to find observed largest structures in the simulation.**
- **The properties of the largest over- and under-dense structures in HectoMAP are well within the distributions for the largest structures drawn from 300 Horizon Run 4 mock surveys.**



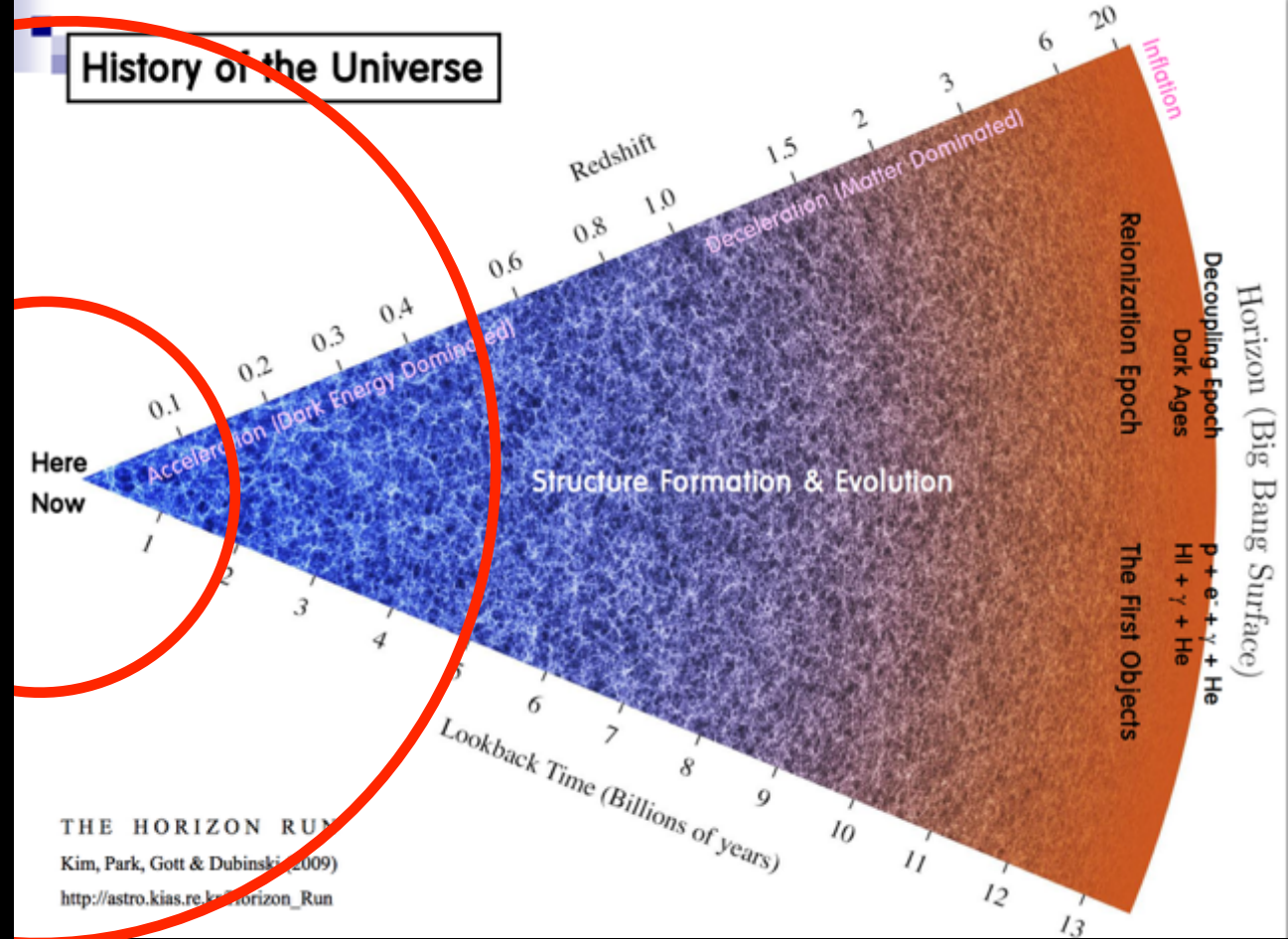


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**Q: Do we expect this kinds of largest-scale structures in our standard  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology?**

- Many mock surveys for a robust test
- The same criteria in identifying large-scale structures in the observations and simulations
- Comparable samples of galaxies and halos with the matched number densities

# Summary



- The richness and size distributions of observed over-dense structures agree well with the simulated ones.
- Observations and simulations also agree for the volume and size distributions of under-dense structures, voids.
- The properties of the largest over- and under-dense structure in HectoMAP are well within the distributions for the largest structures drawn from 300 Horizon Run 4 mock surveys.
- The physical properties of observed large-scale structures at intermediate redshifts ( $0.22 < z < 0.44$ ) are remarkably consistent with predictions of the standard  $\Lambda$ CDM model.