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## Galaxy Cluster Properties and the Lyman- $\alpha$ Forest

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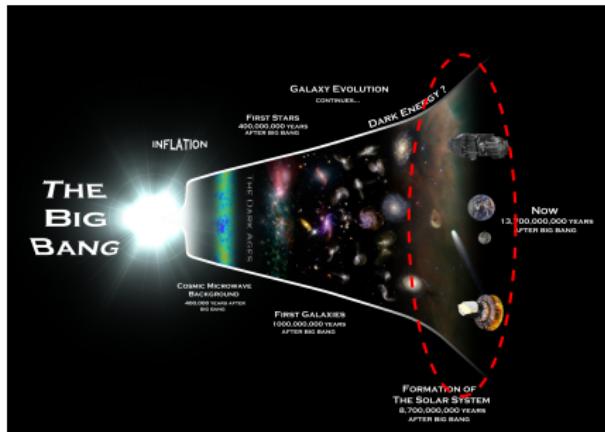
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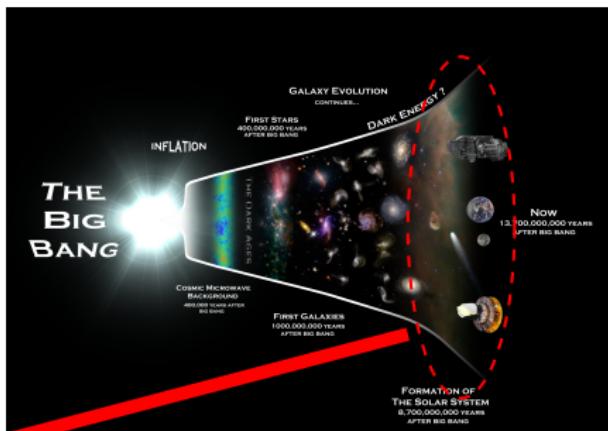
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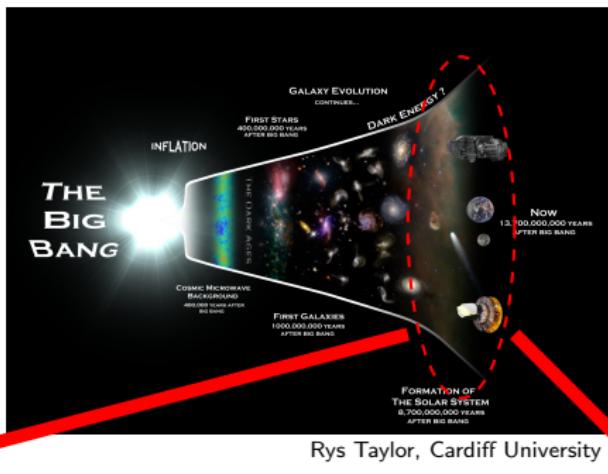


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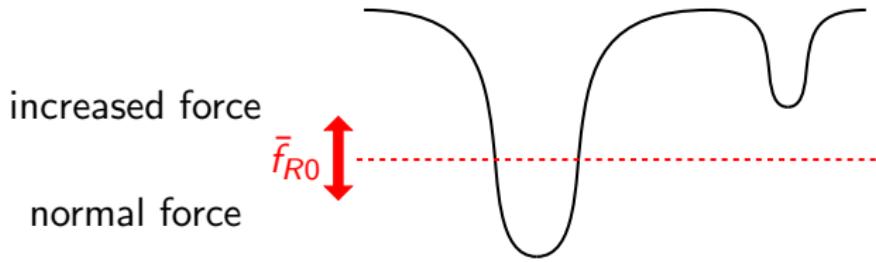
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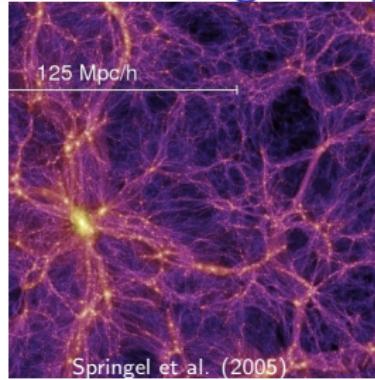
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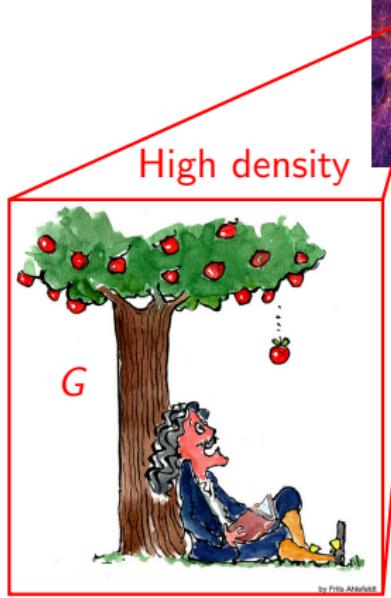
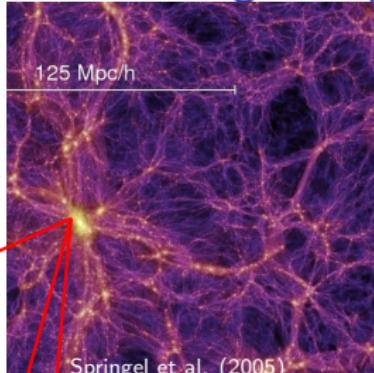
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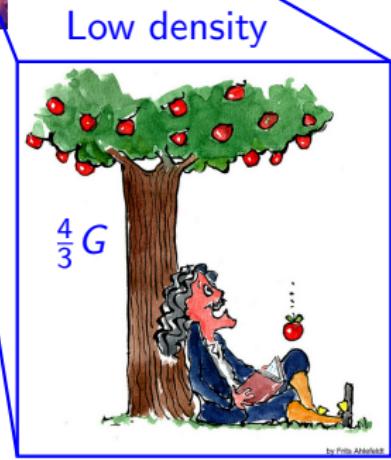
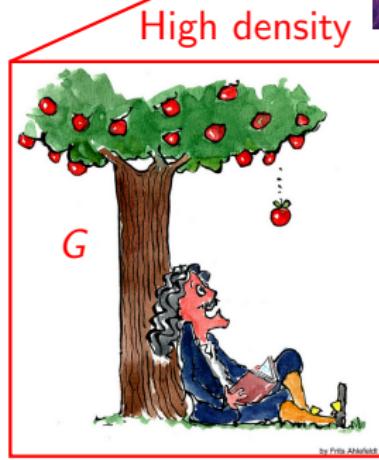
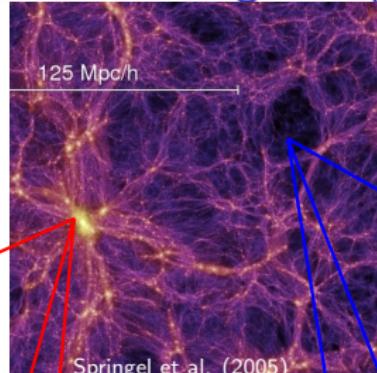
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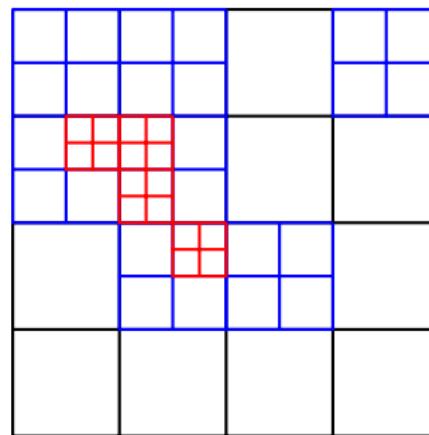
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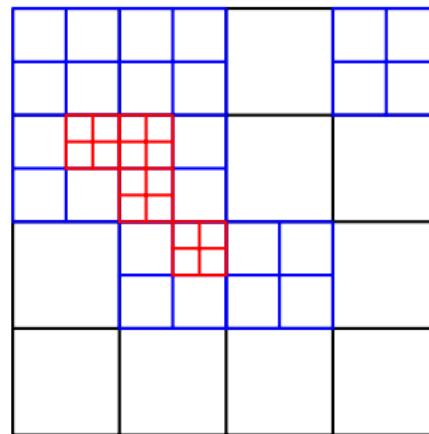
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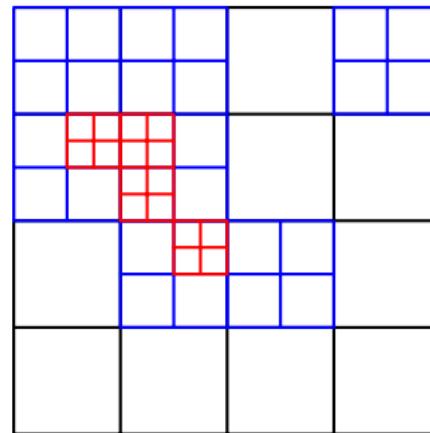
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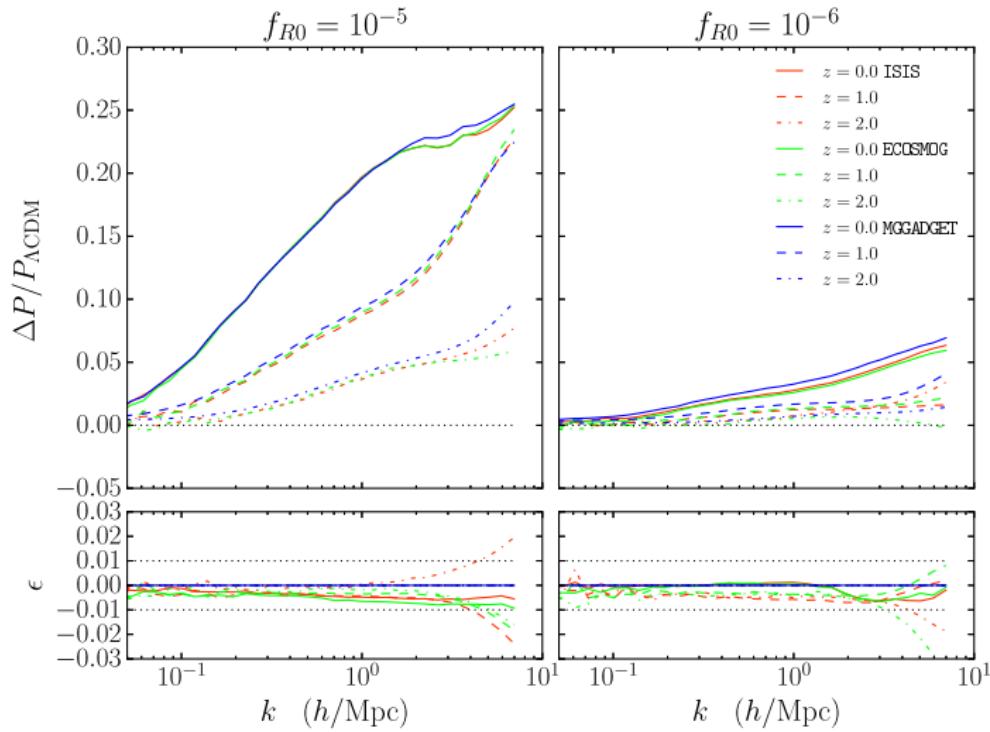
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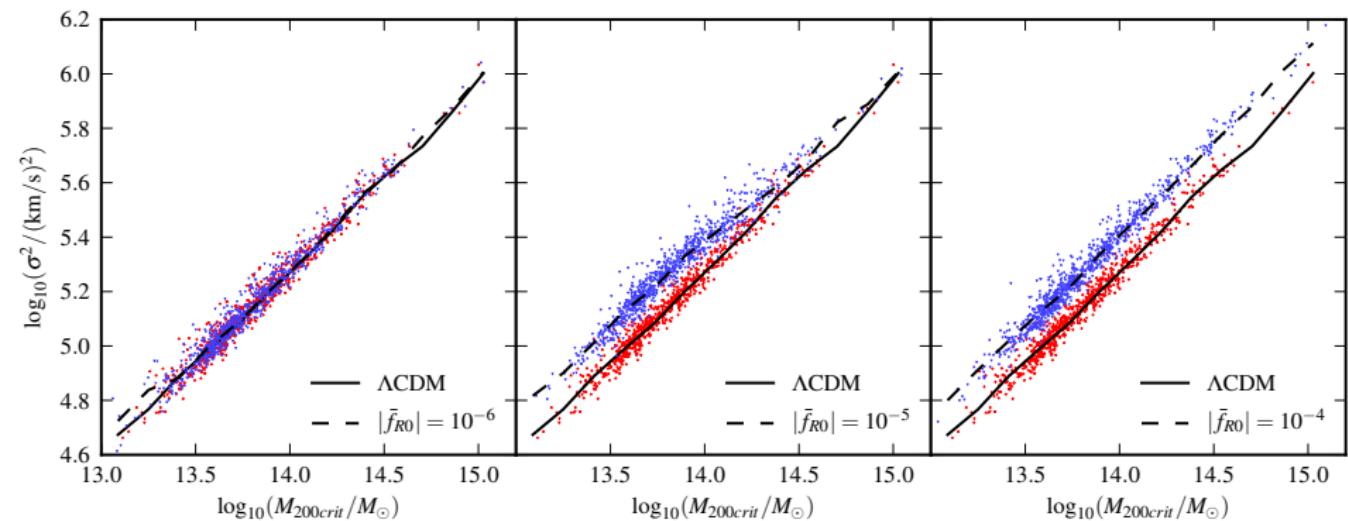


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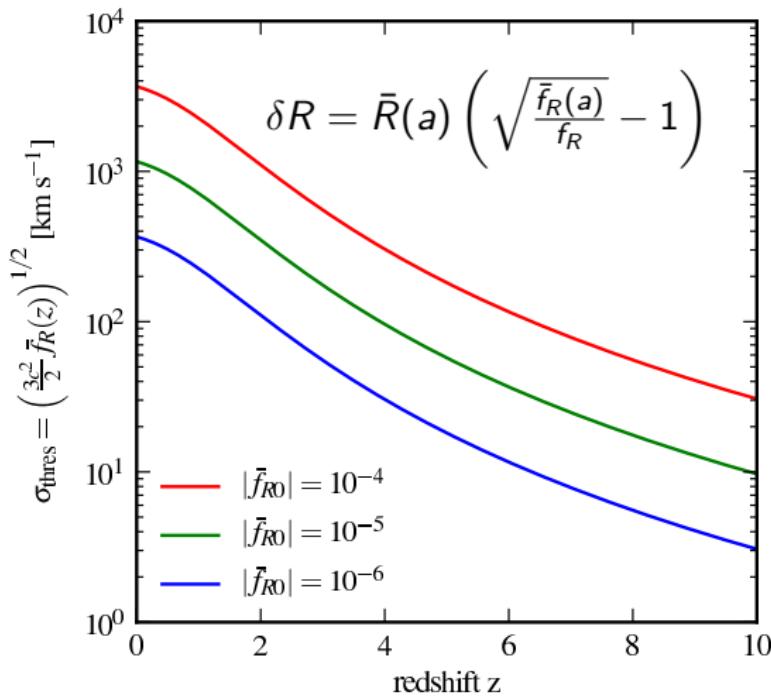


Winther et al. (2015)

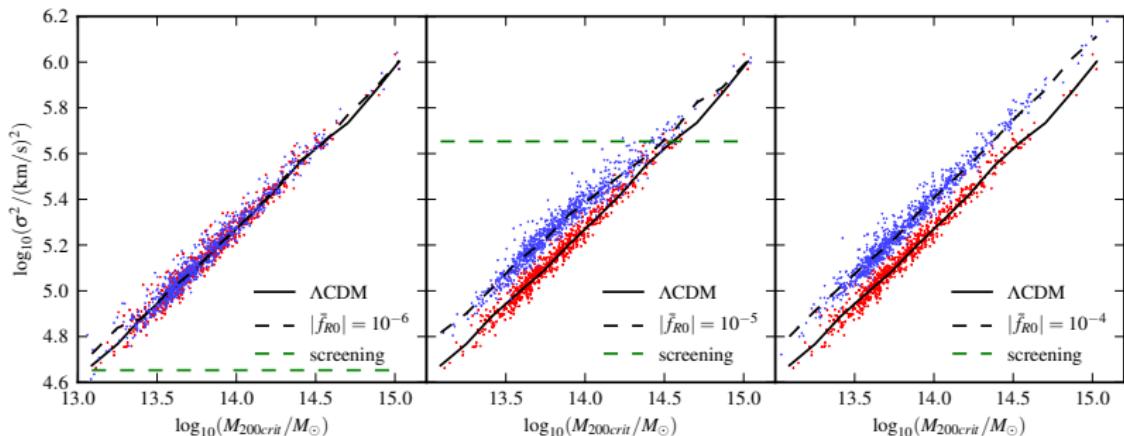
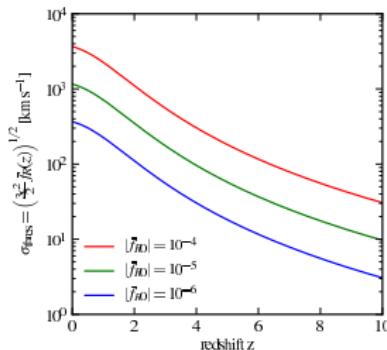
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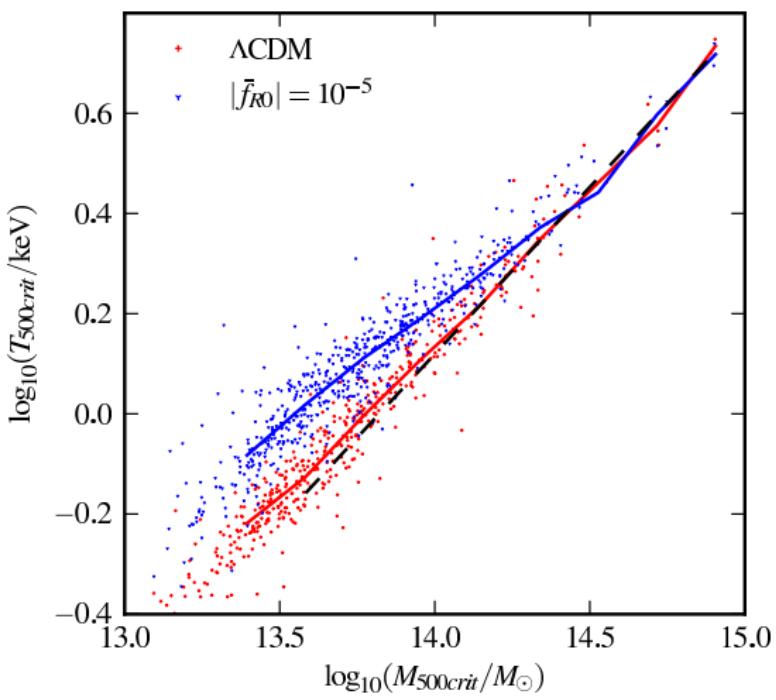
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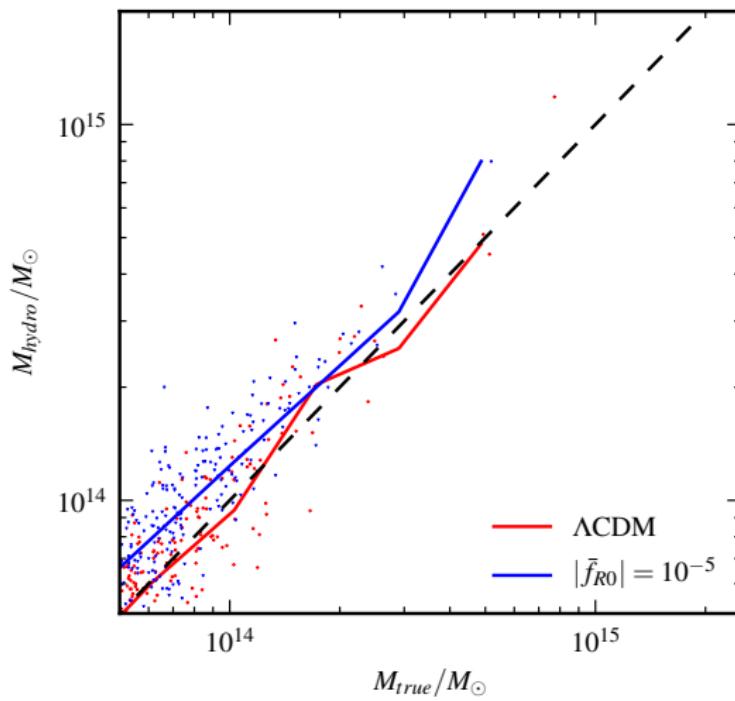
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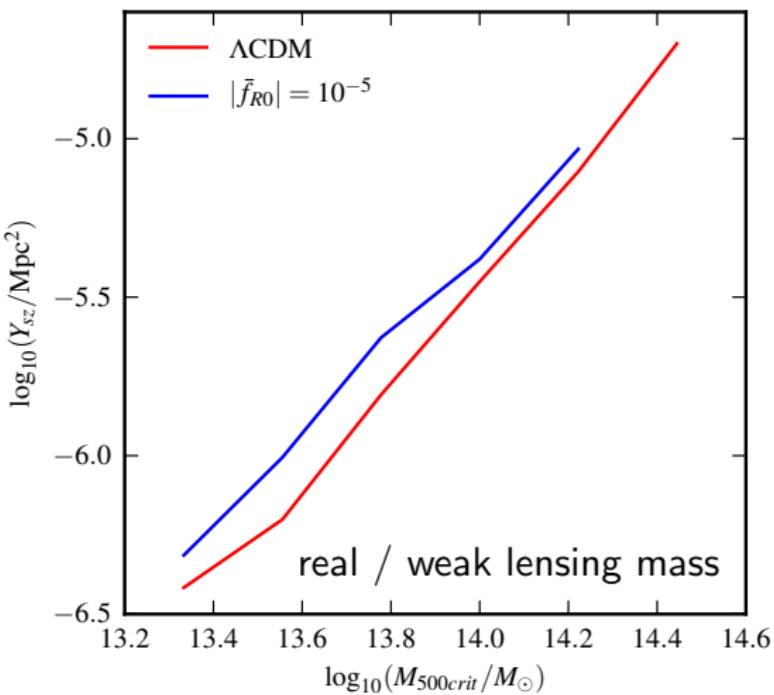
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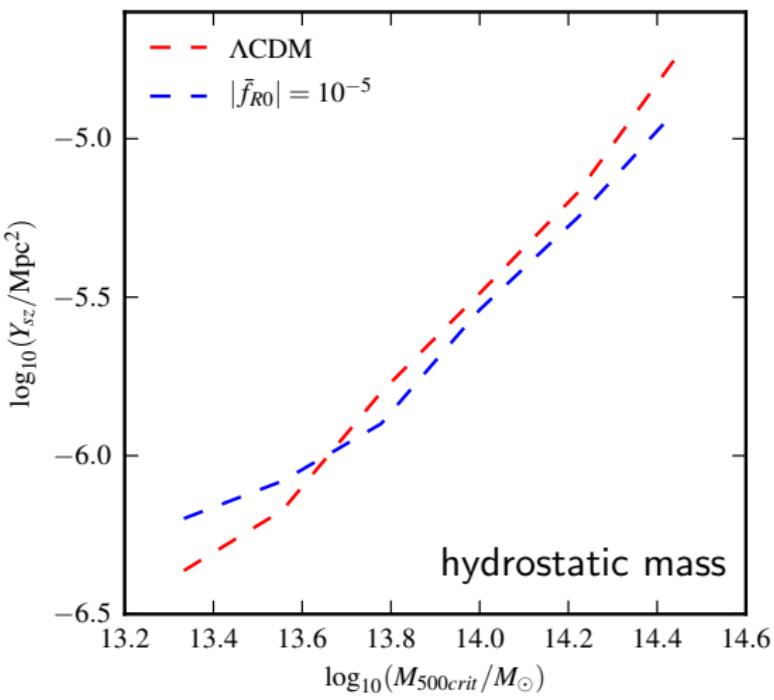
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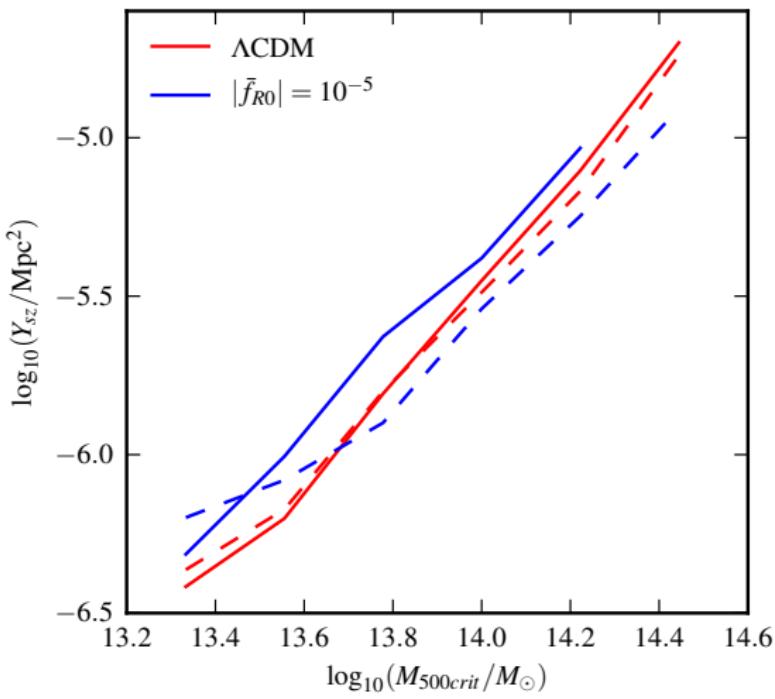
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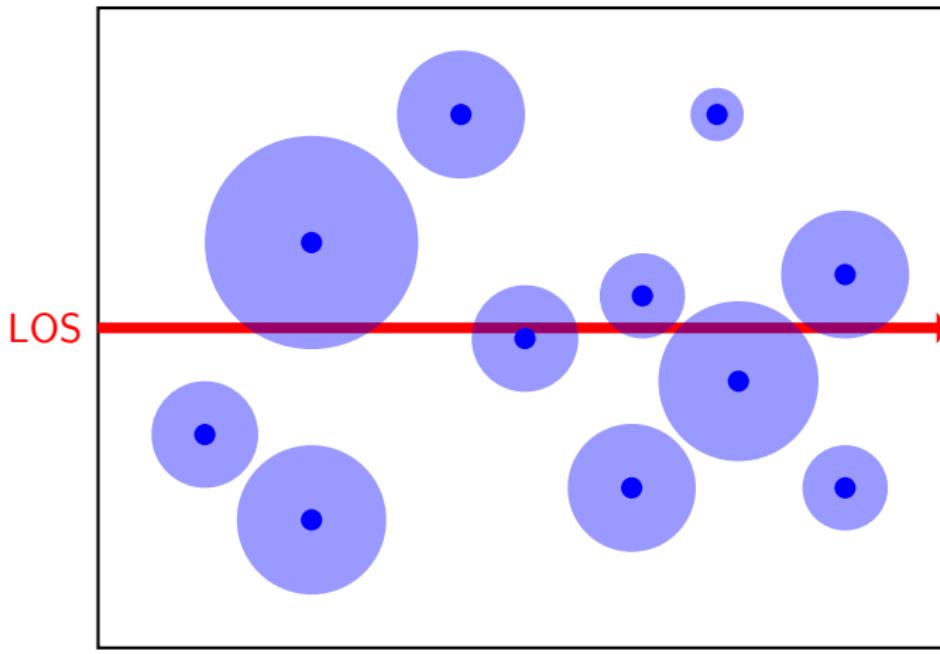


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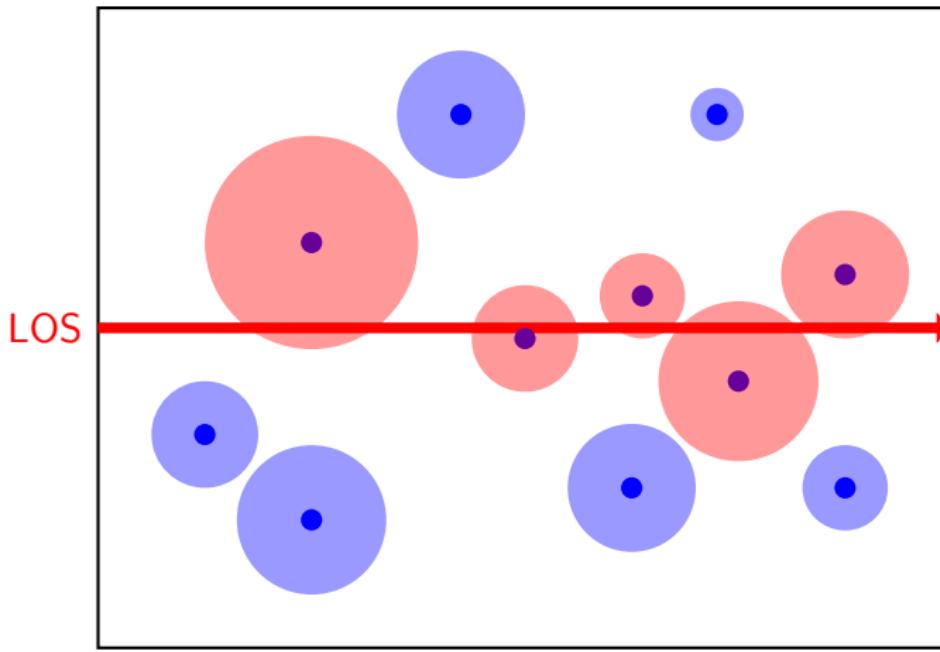
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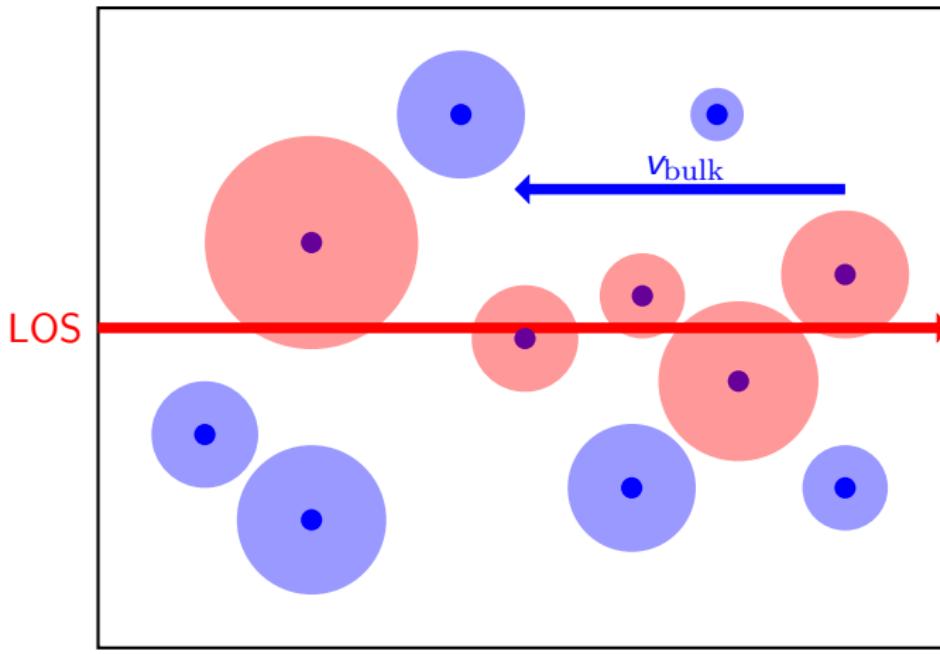
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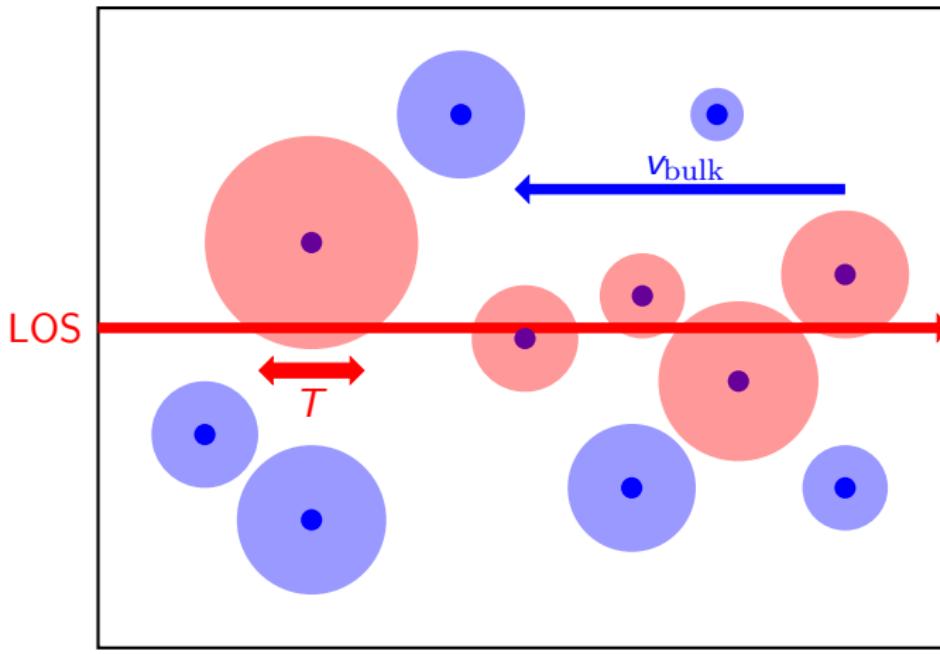
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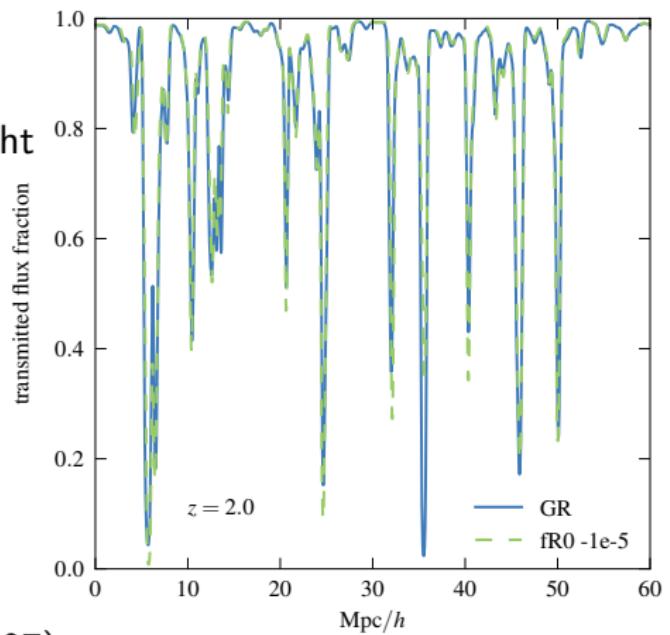
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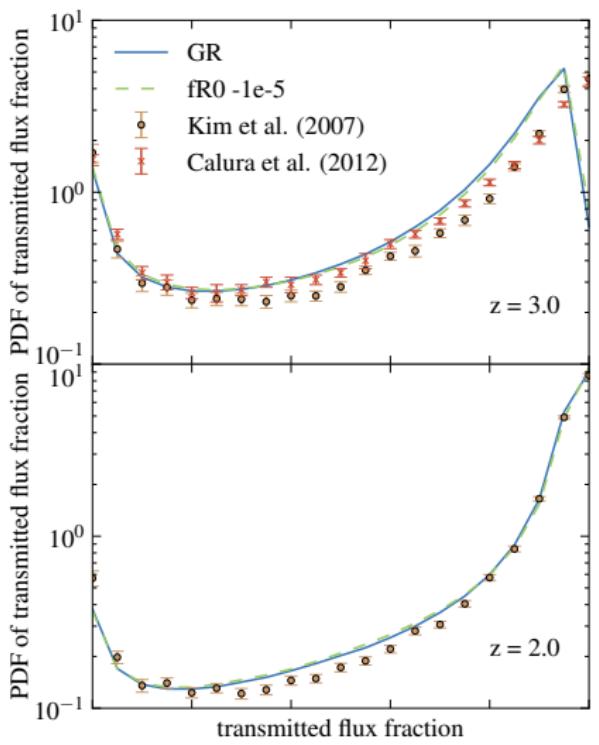
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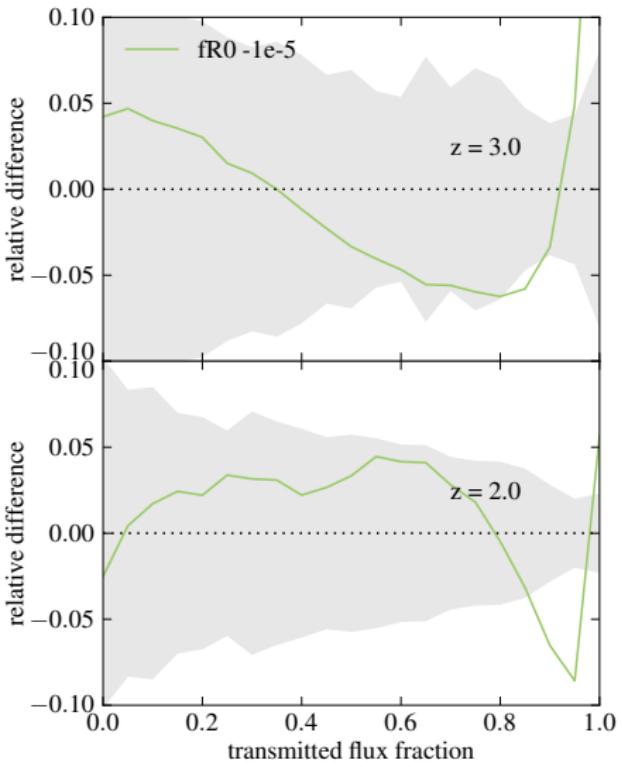
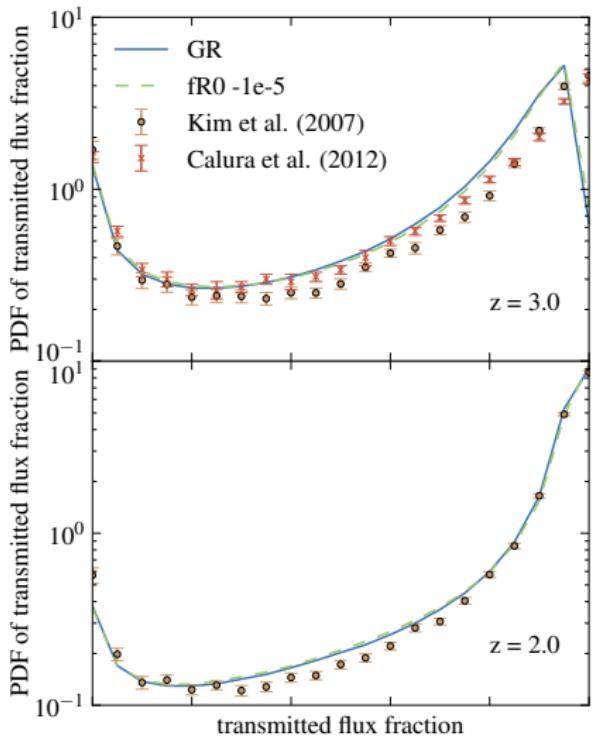


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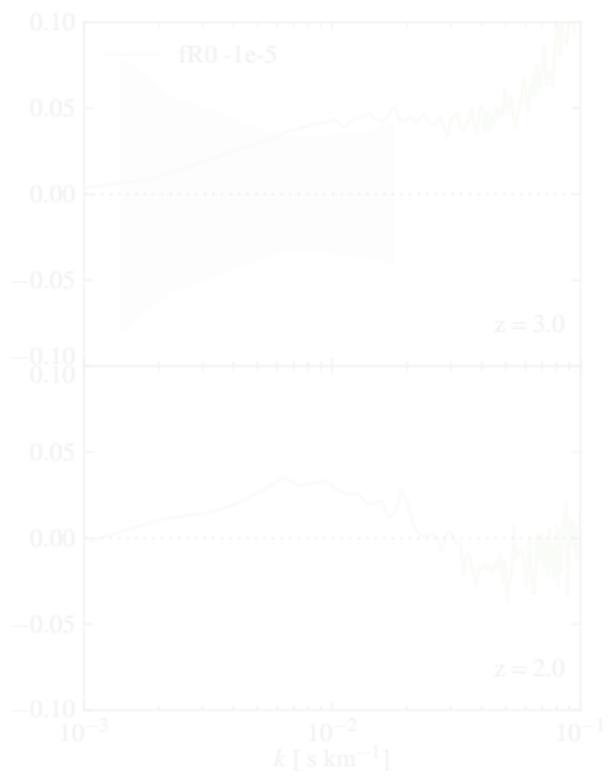
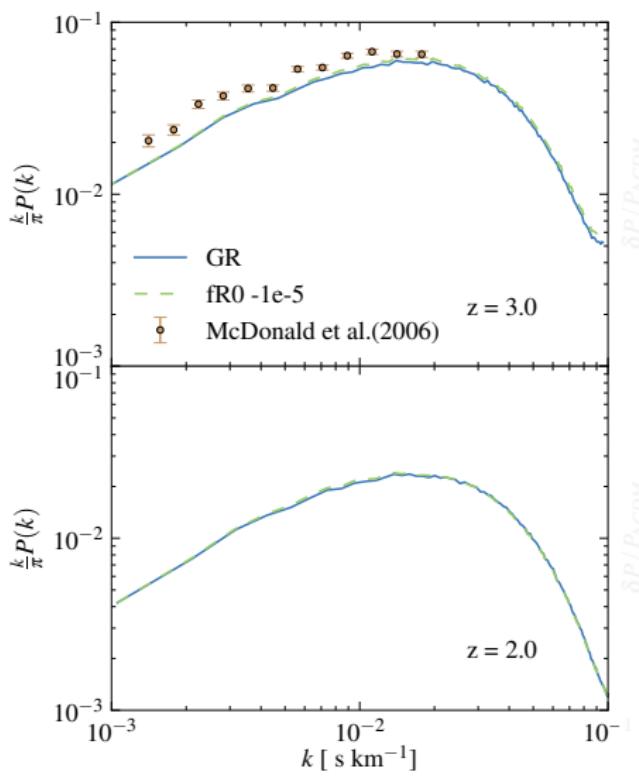
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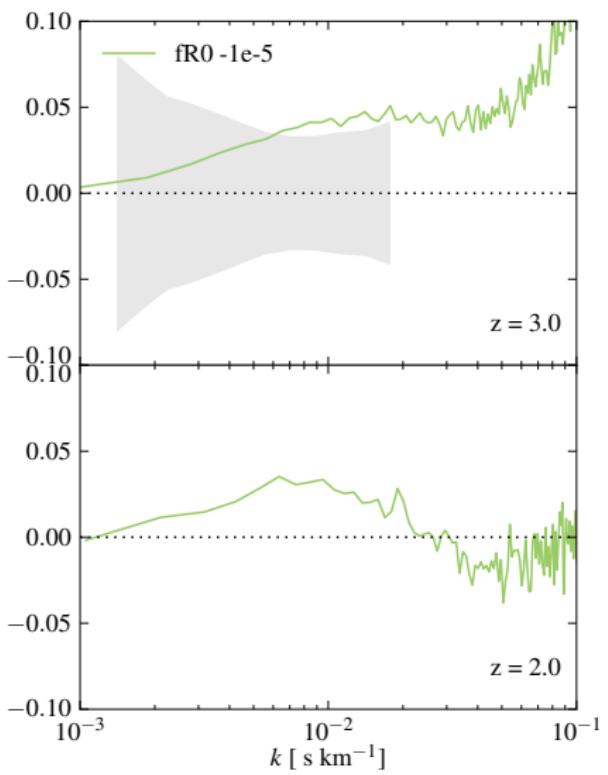
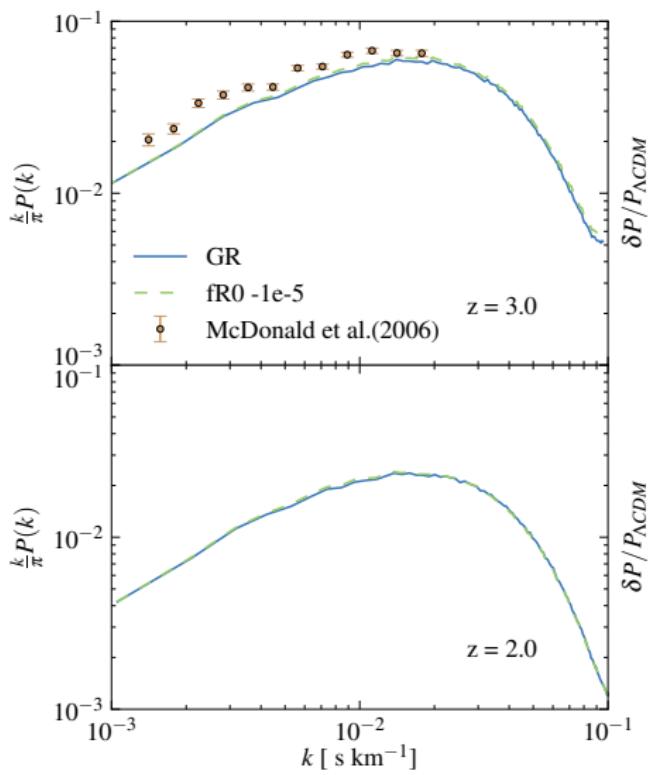
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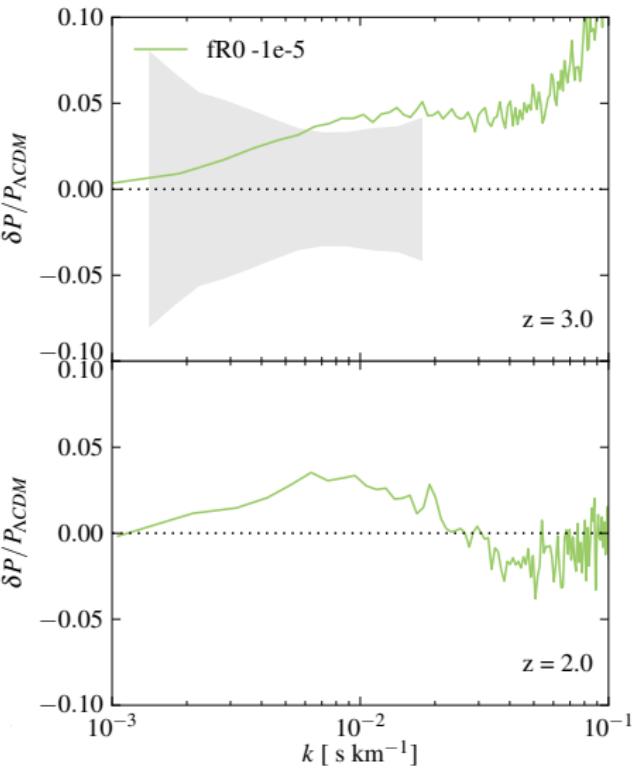
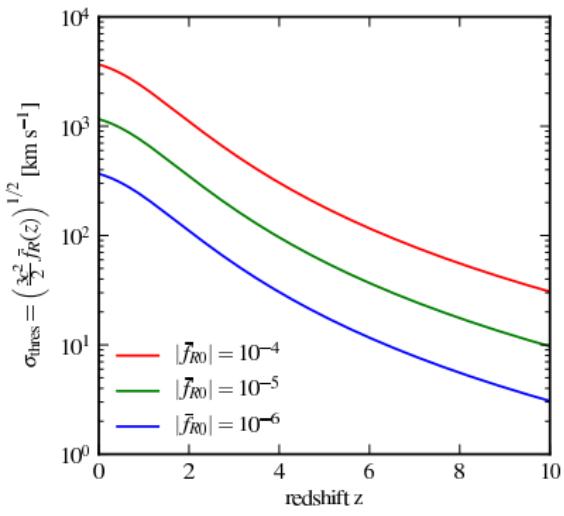


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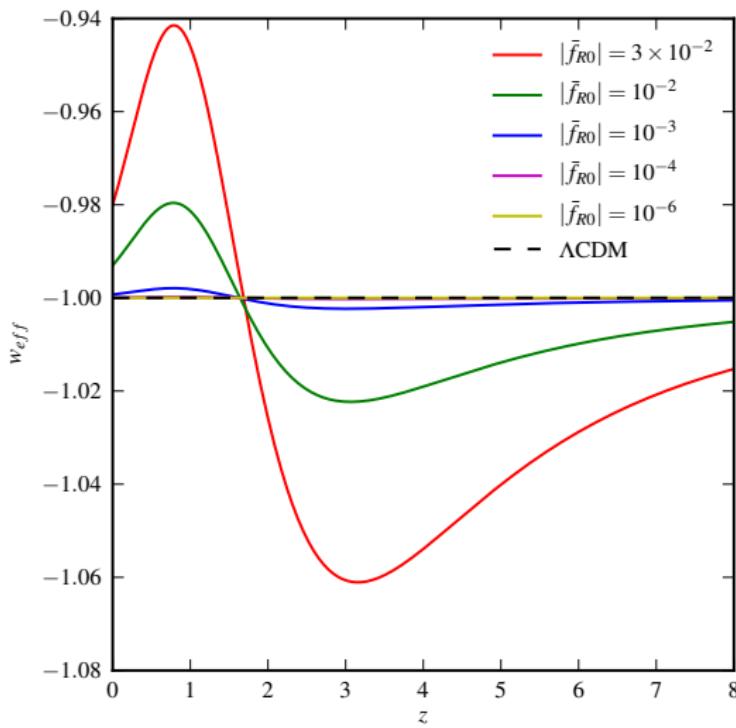
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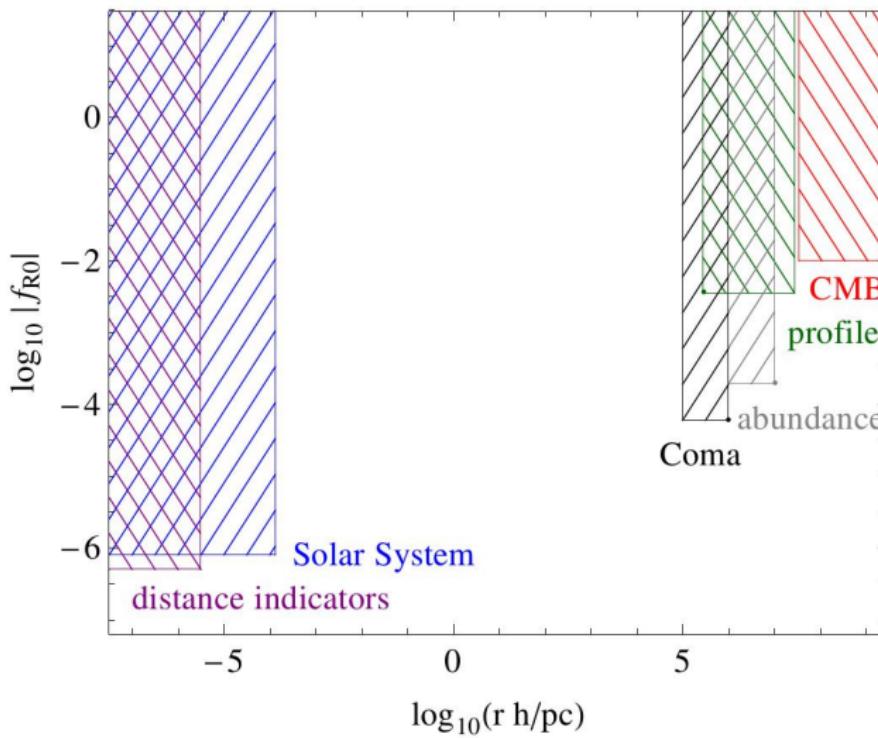
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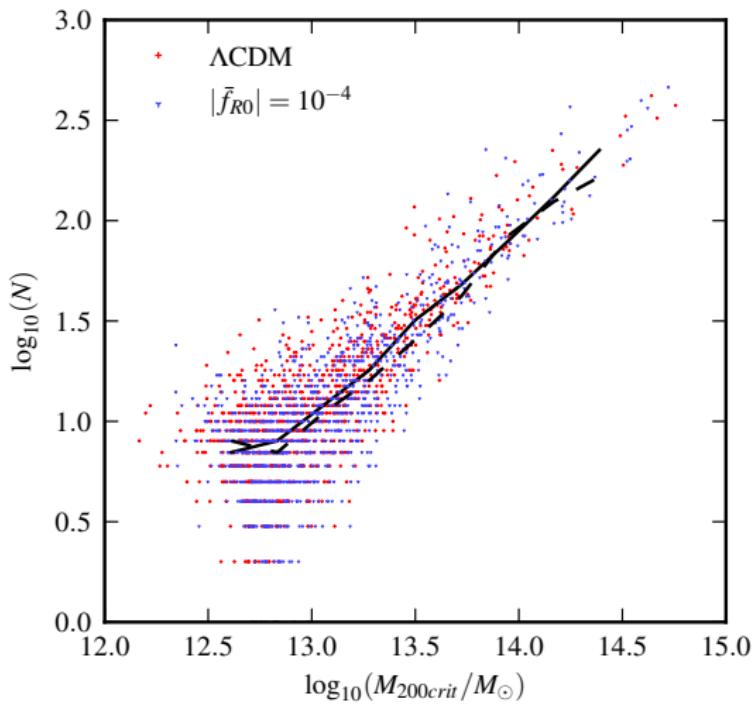
# Expansion history of a $f(R)$ universe



Current constraints on  $f_{R0}$ 

Terukina et al. (2014)

# Subhalo abundance



# X-ray luminosities

