

The effects of galaxy formation on clustering



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WHY MEASURE STRUCTURE?

- How structure has formed and how matter is clustered gives us information about the initial conditions of the Universe
- By comparing observations to simulations (which have known initial conditions) we can constrain cosmological models and parameters
- Powerful measures of clustering: power spectra and correlation functions

PART I

THE MATTER POWER SPECTRUM

van Daalen et al. 2011
Semboloni et al. 2012

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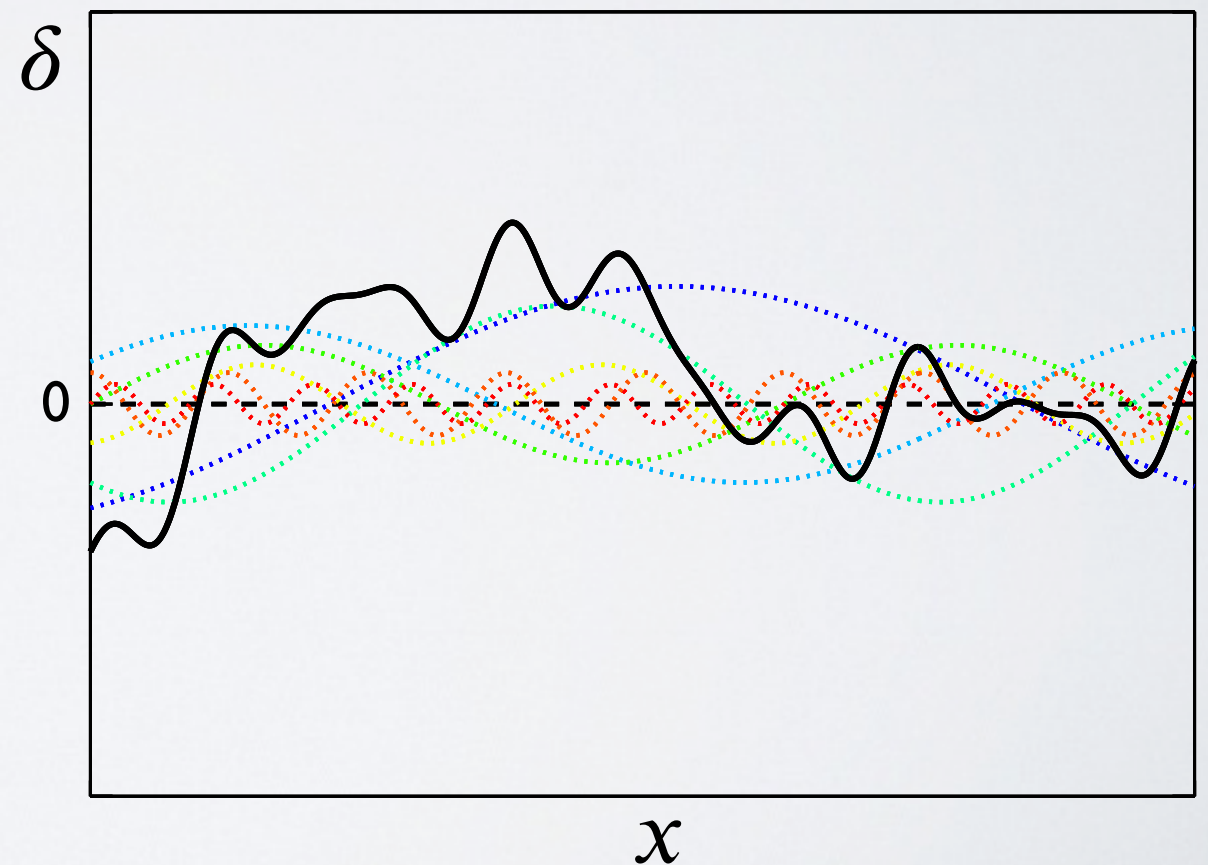
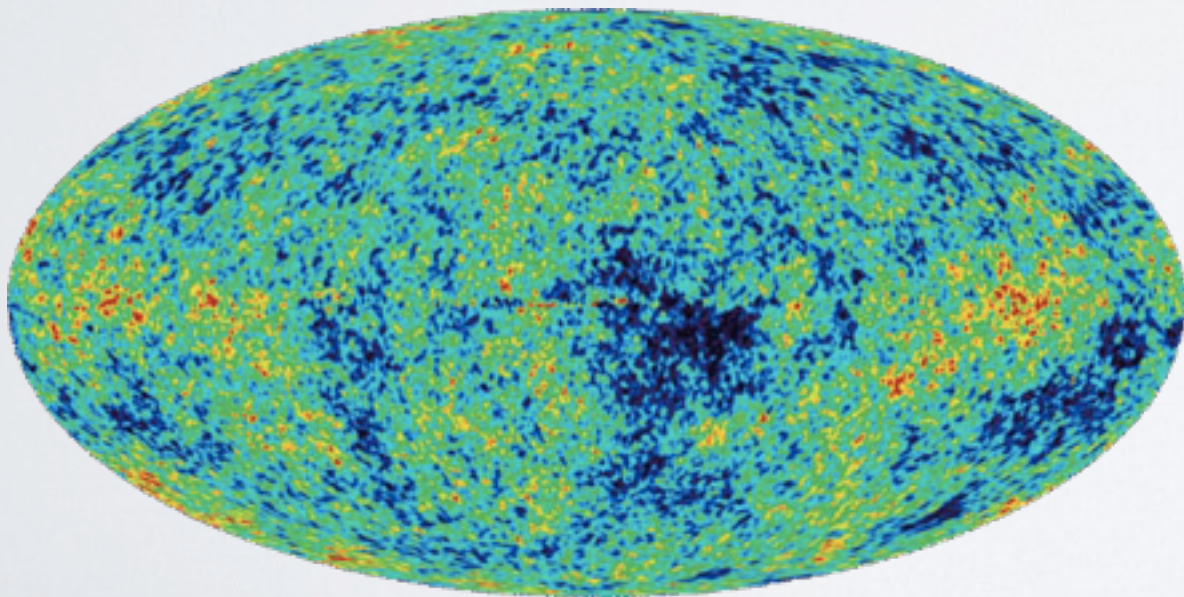
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- Power spectrum:

$$P(k) \equiv V \langle |\delta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \rangle$$
$$\Delta^2(k) \equiv \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} P(k)$$

WEAK LENSING

- Weak lensing measures the distribution of matter through its effect on light
- Most matter is dark matter, and baryons are expected to trace it on the relevant scales
- Dark matter only simulations are therefore used to interpret weak lensing measurements
- However: studies have shown that baryons and galaxy formation can no longer be ignored

EFFECTS OF GALAXY FORMATION

- Why should galaxy formation affect the power spectrum?
 - As gas cools and forms stars and galaxies, the small-scale power increases
 - Feedback heats and redistributes the gas, which, unlike dark matter, feels pressure and thus lowers the power
 - Galaxy formation can thus affect the power on a range of scales and in different ways
- Earlier work considered cooling and weak feedback, but not AGN feedback

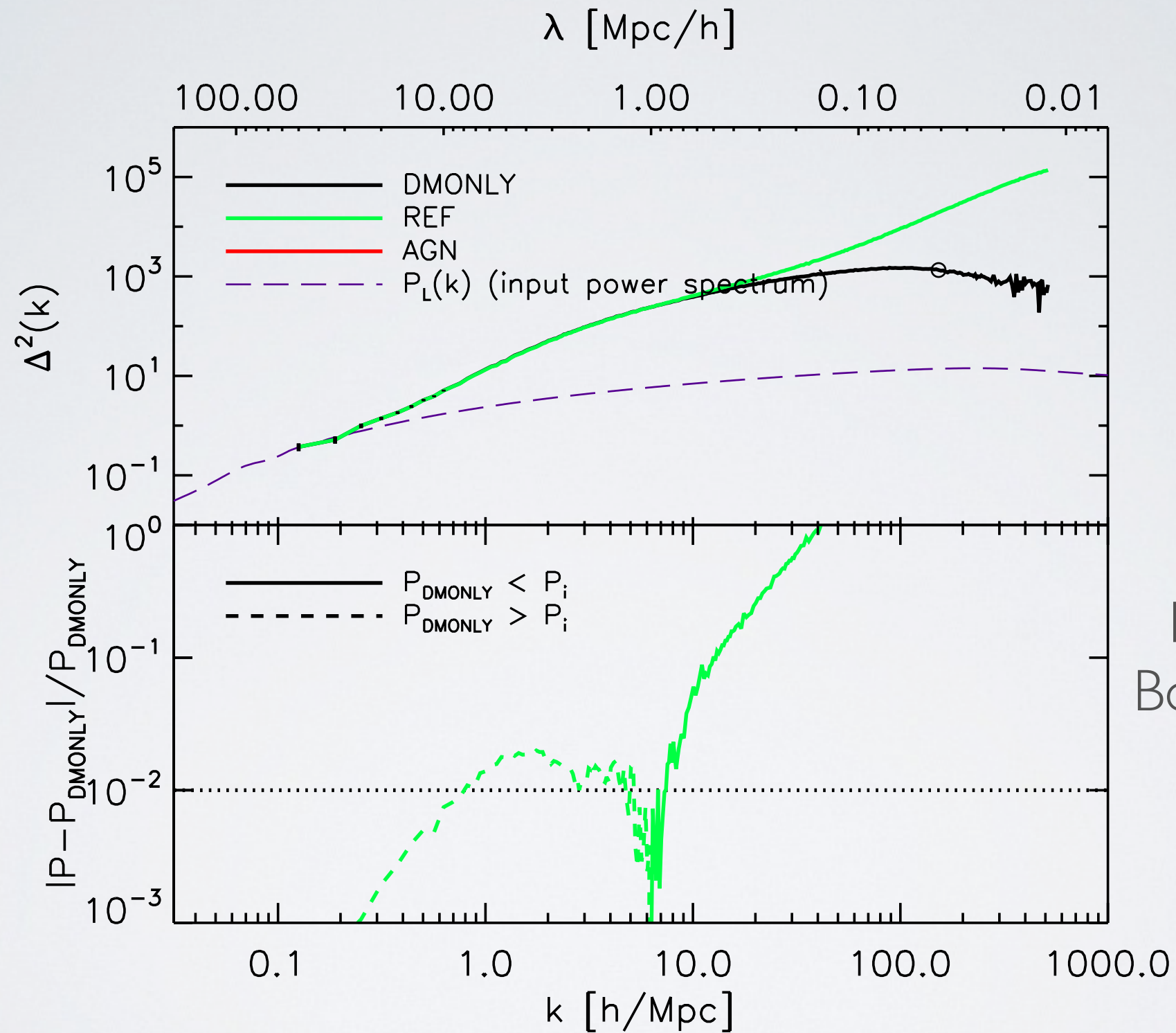
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- Upcoming surveys sensitive to $\sim 1\%$ $\Rightarrow$ very precise estimates of statistics needed
- Existing models predict a $\sim 1\%$ decrease in power for $k = 1-10 \text{ h/Mpc}$, and a great increase at smaller scales
- All these models suffer from overcooling, which some authors claim leads to conservative estimations
- However: our AGN model predicts quantitatively and qualitatively different results!

SIMULATIONS

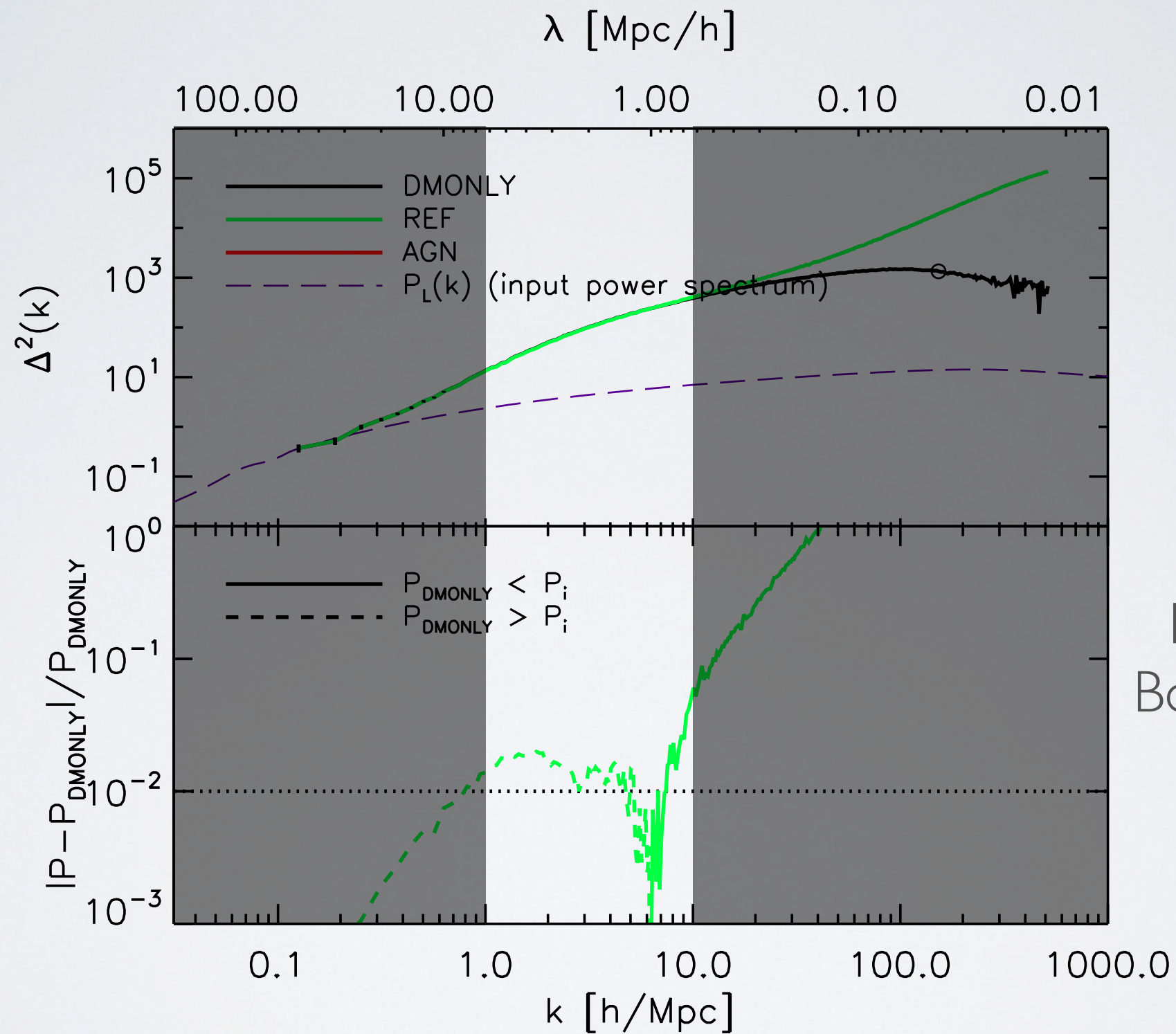
- OWLS simulations (Schaye et al. 2010), 100 Mpc/h boxes with 2×512^3 particles, WMAP3 cosmology (but doesn't matter)
- *DMONLY, REF, AGN*
- *REF*: radiative cooling/heating, star formation, chemical enrichment, supernova feedback
- *AGN*: *REF* + AGN feedback (most realistic simulation, e.g. McCarthy et al. 2010/2011)

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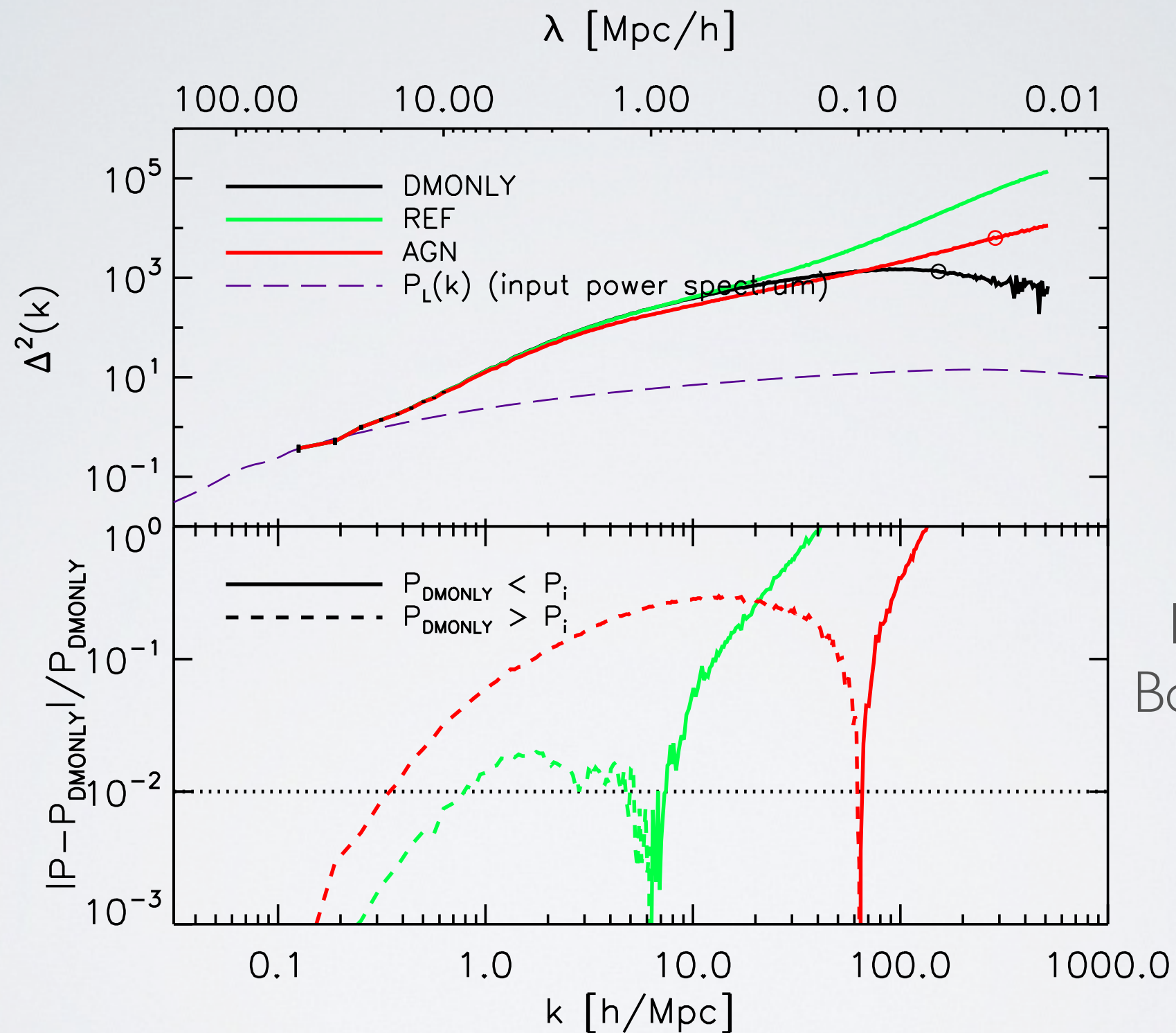
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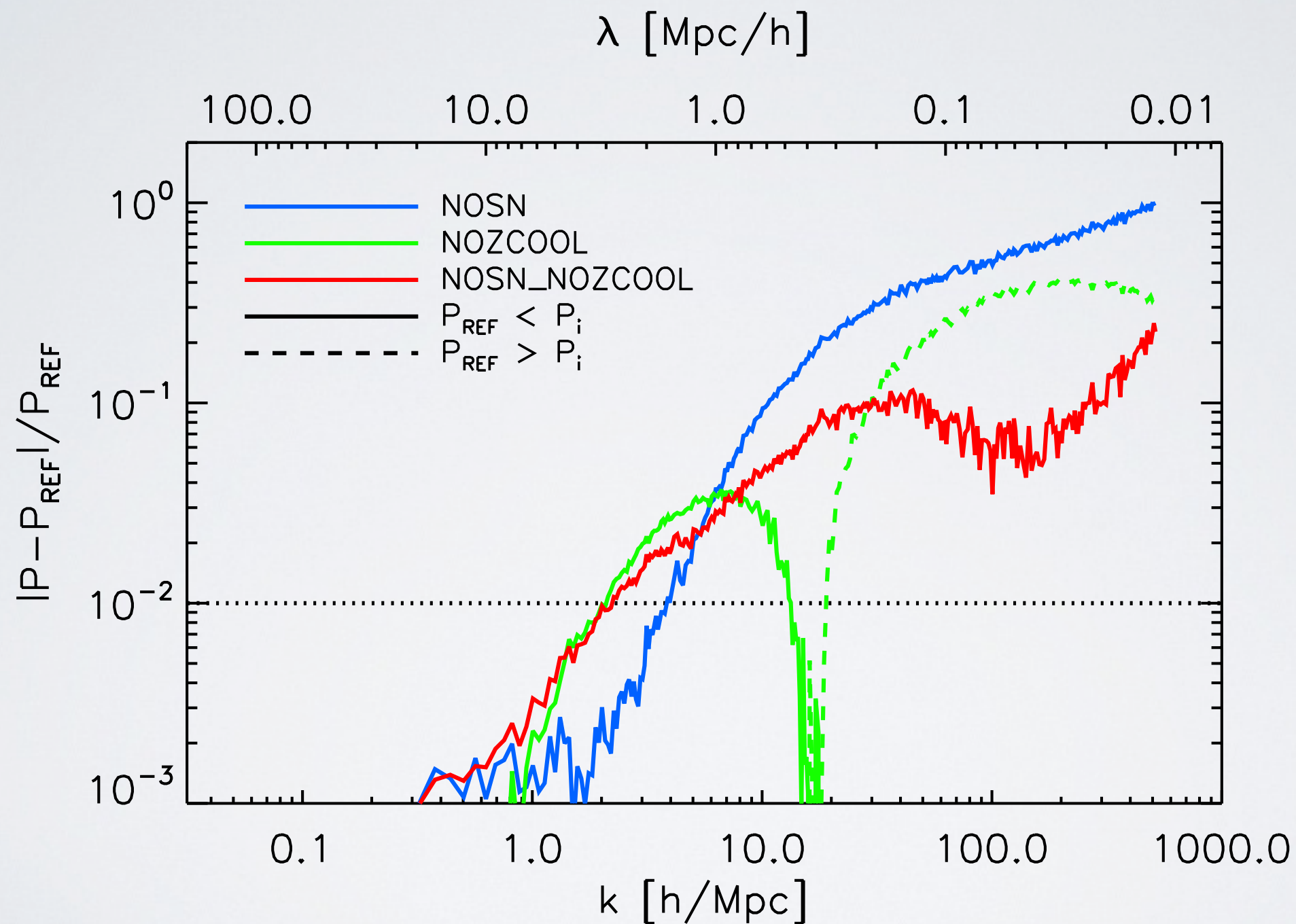
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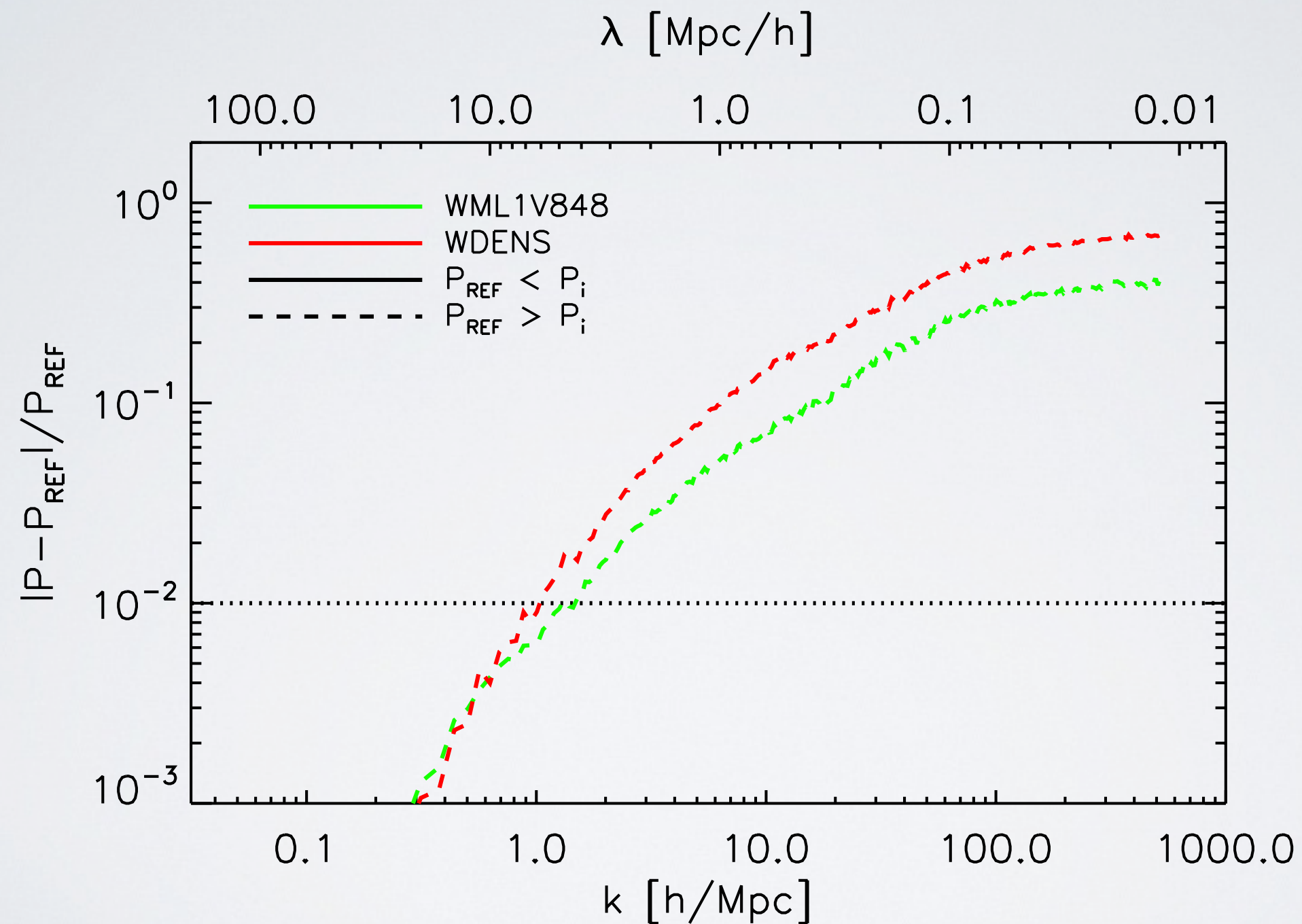
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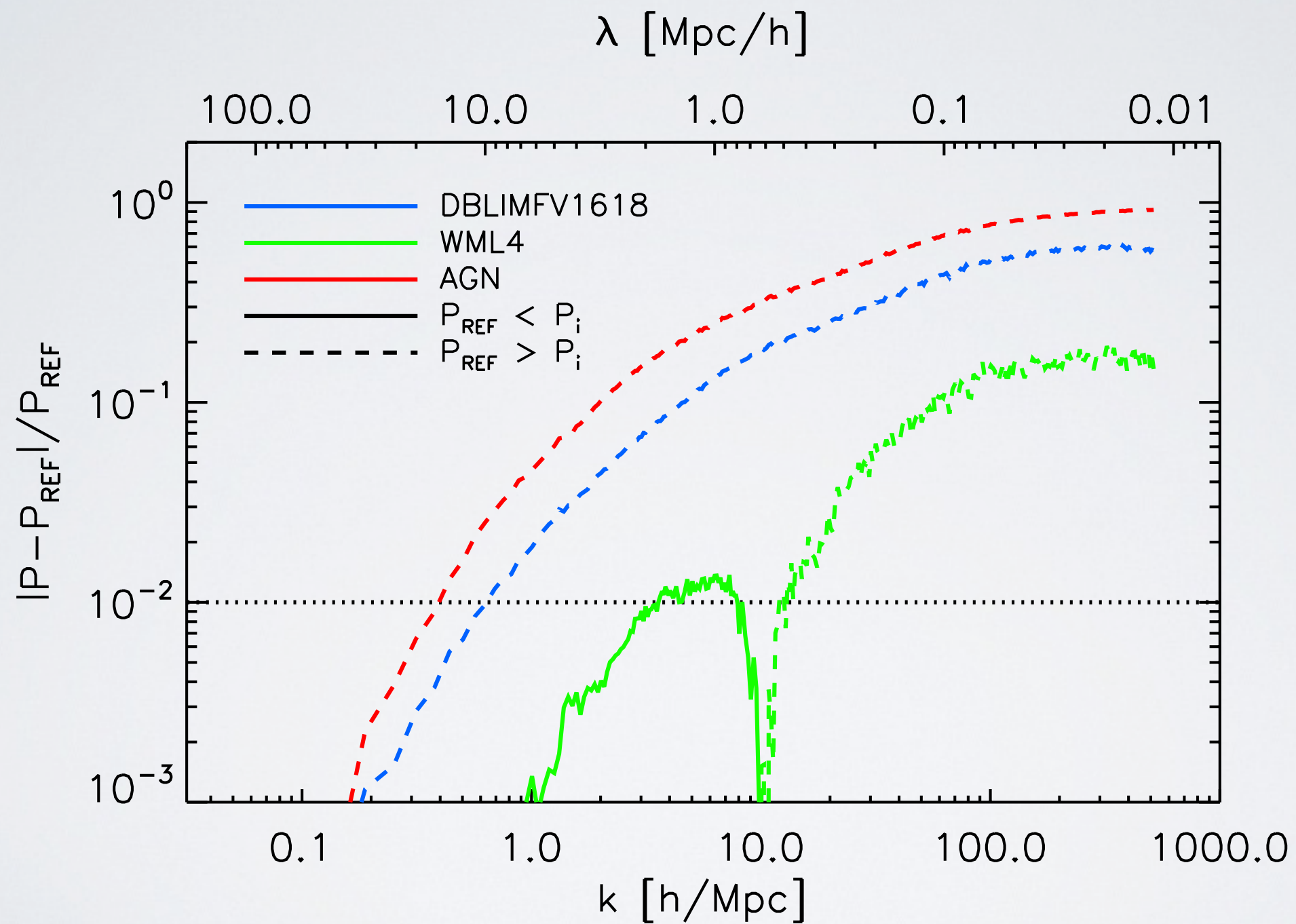
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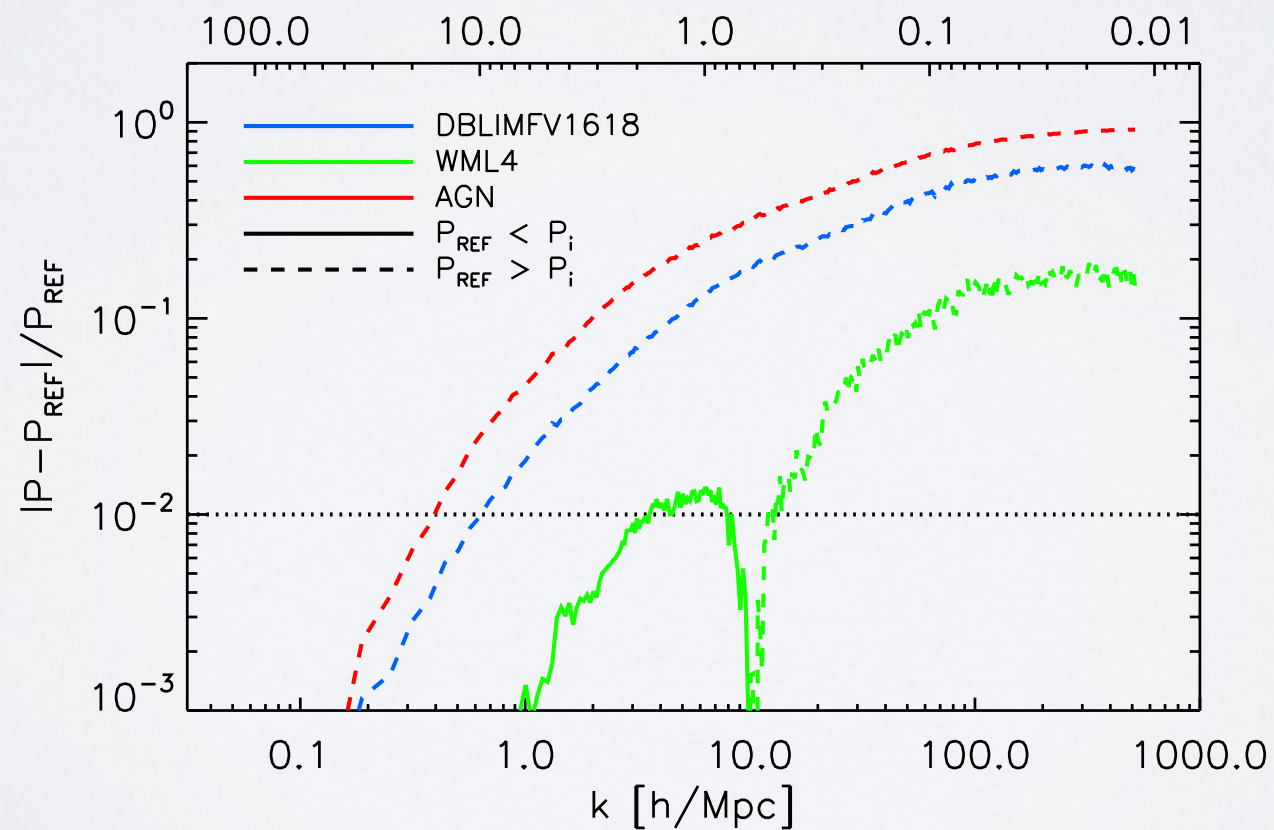
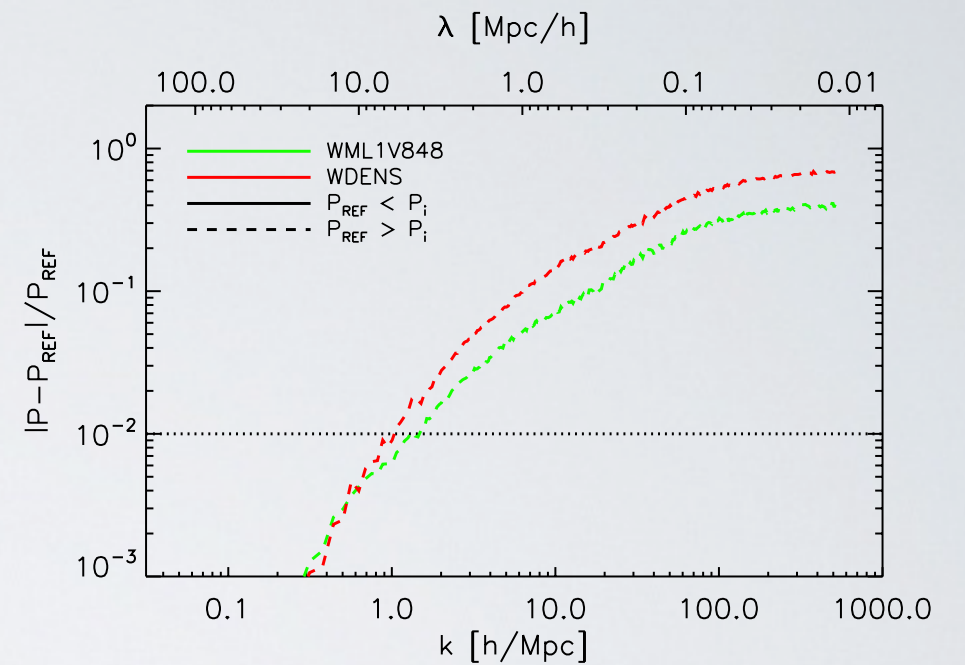
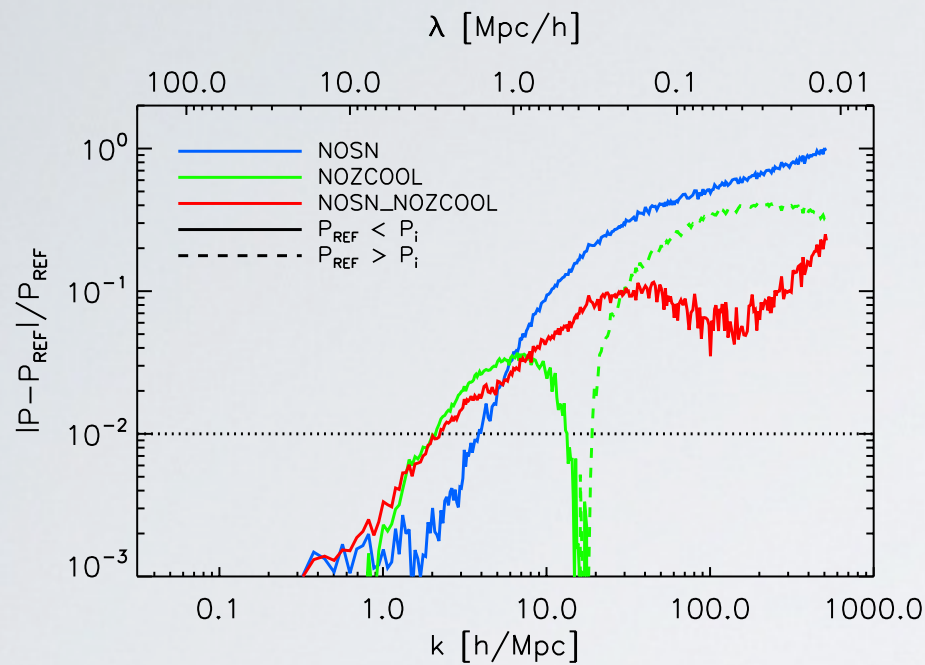
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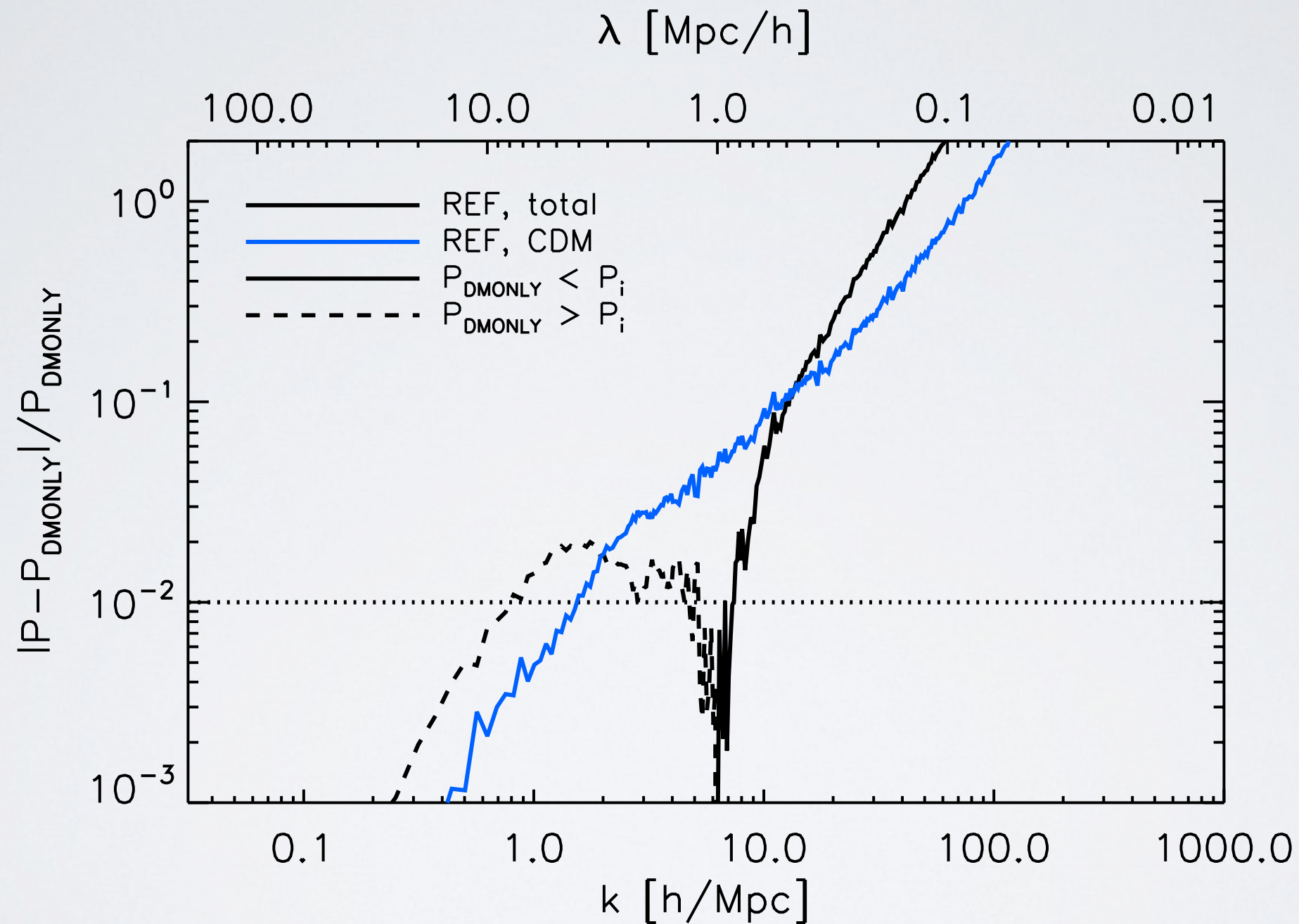


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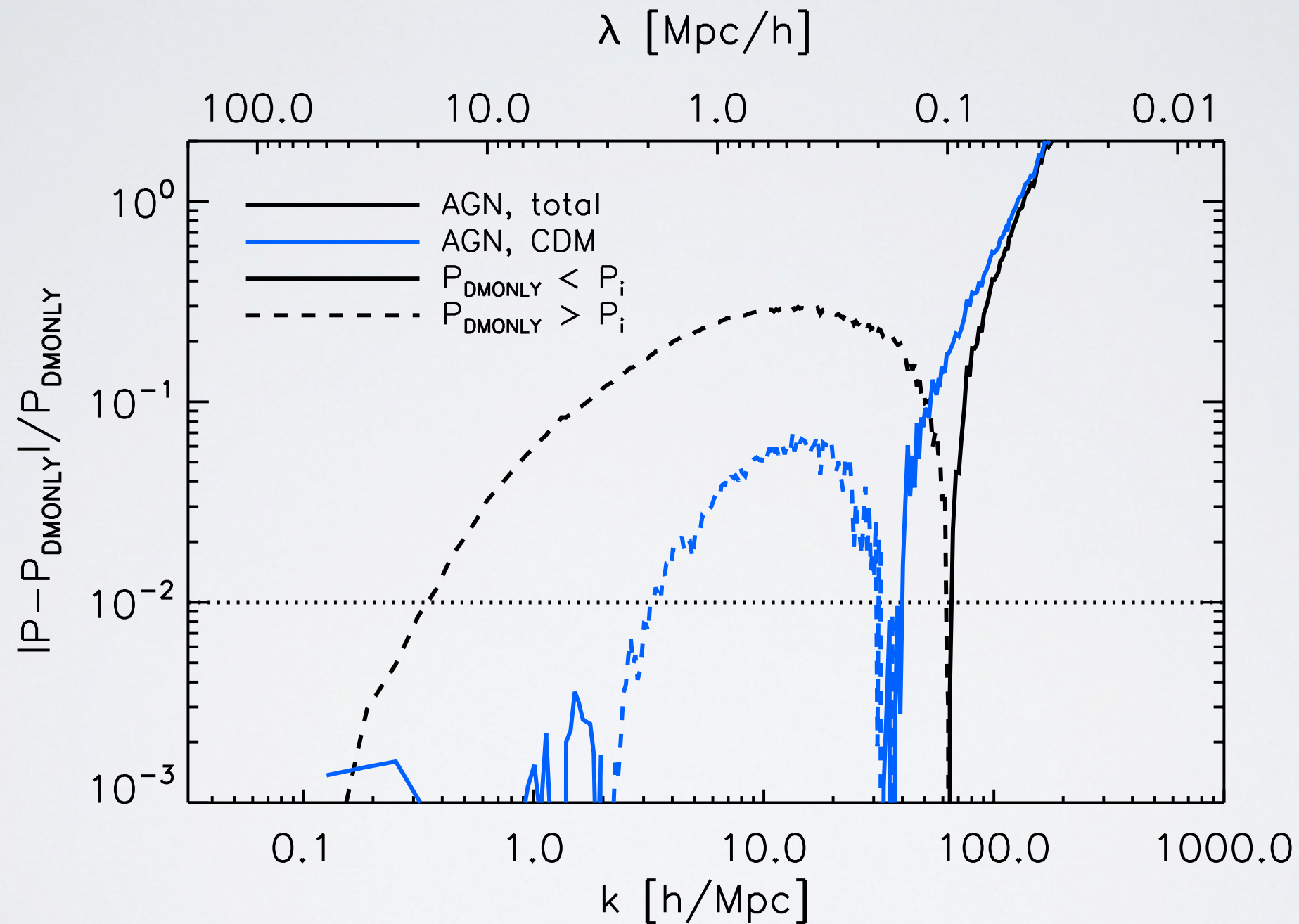
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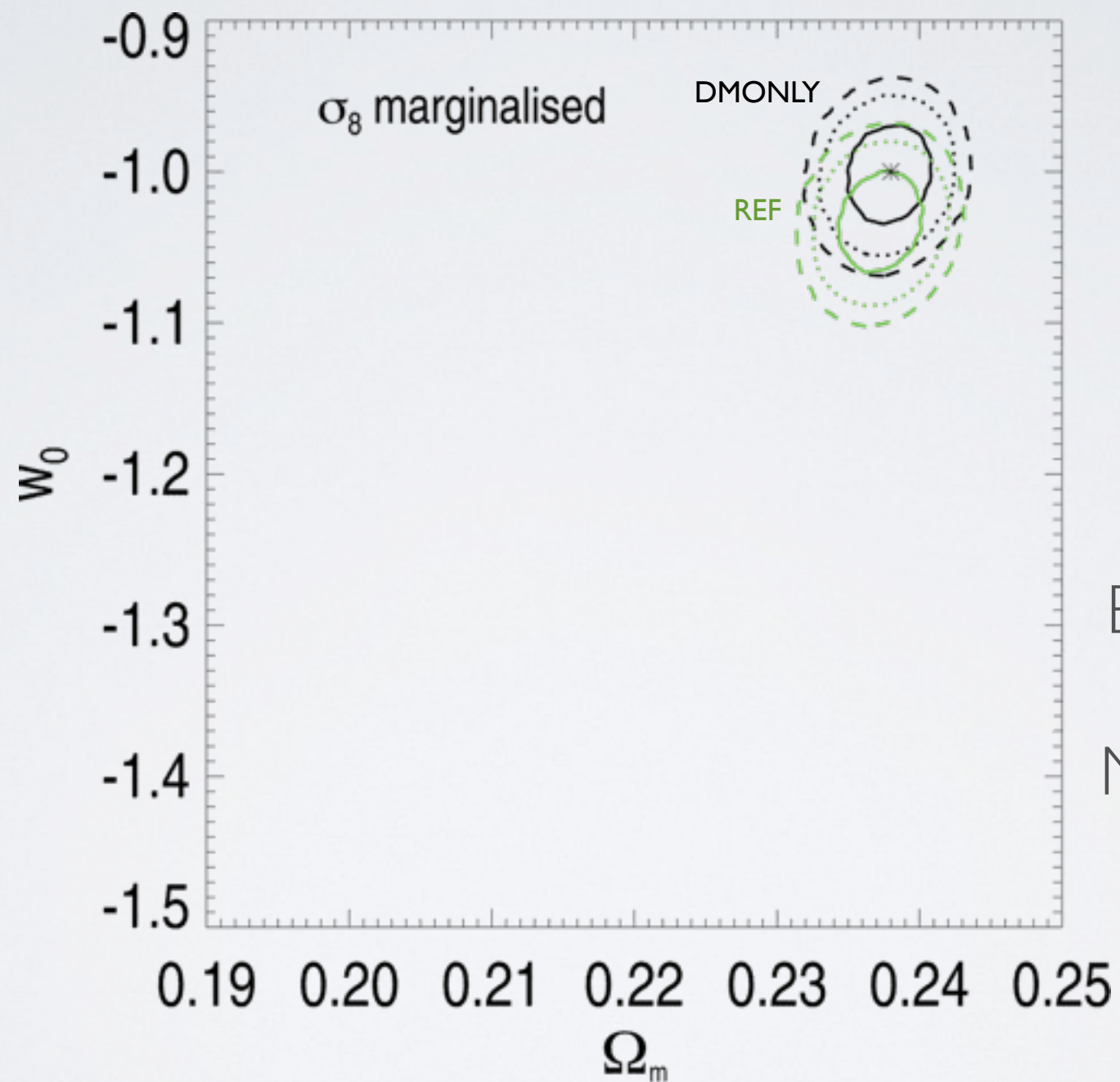
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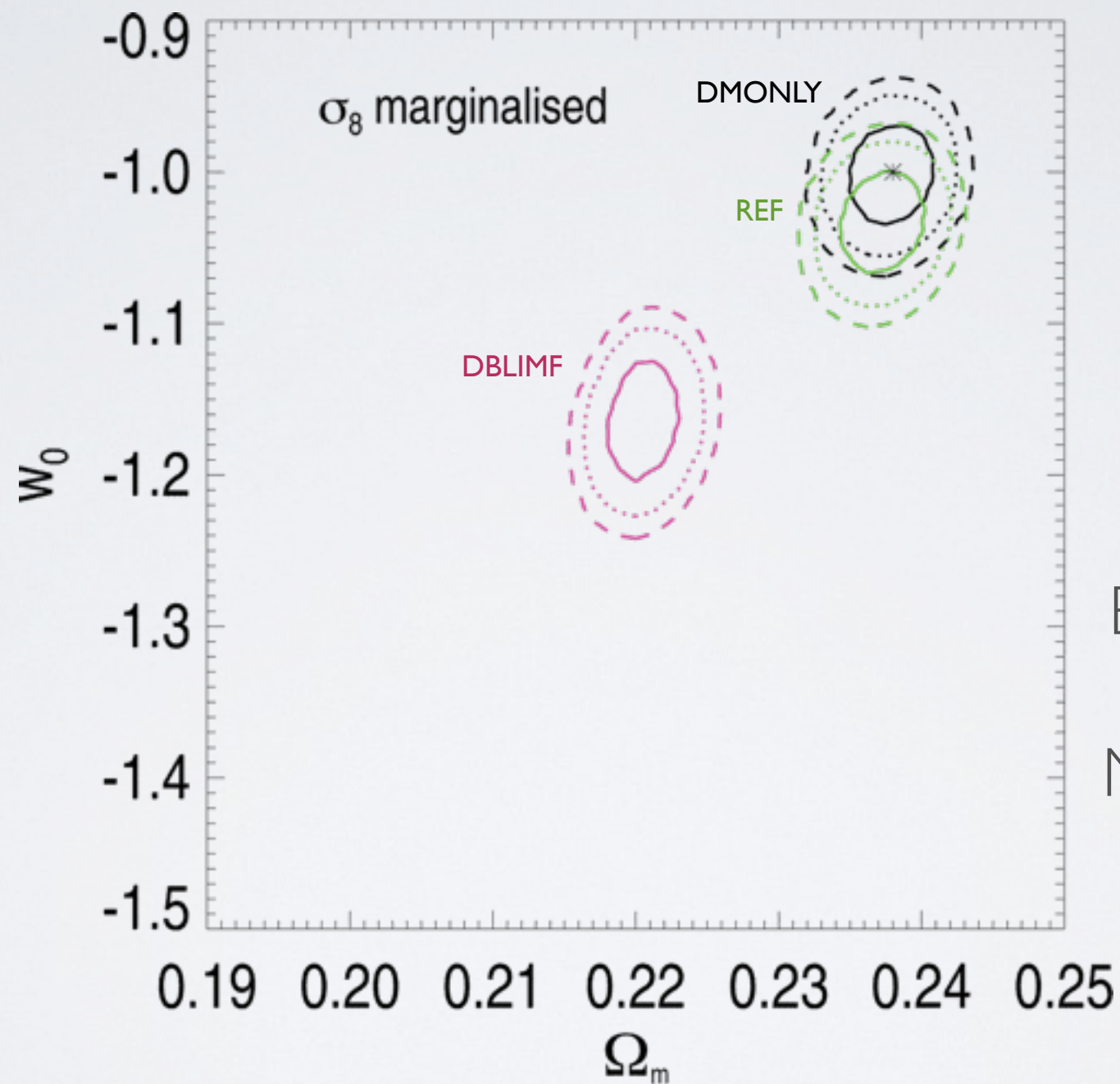
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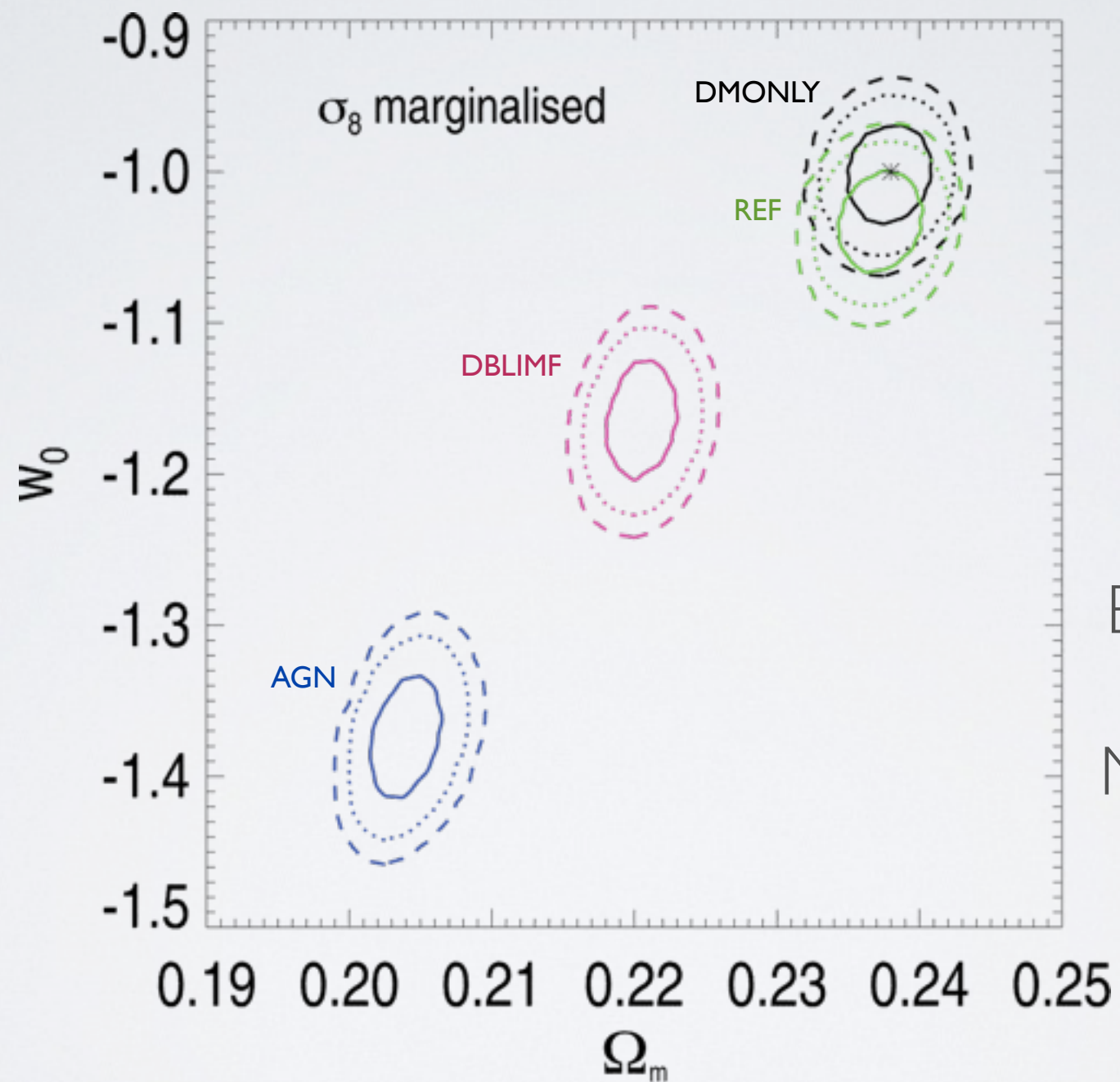
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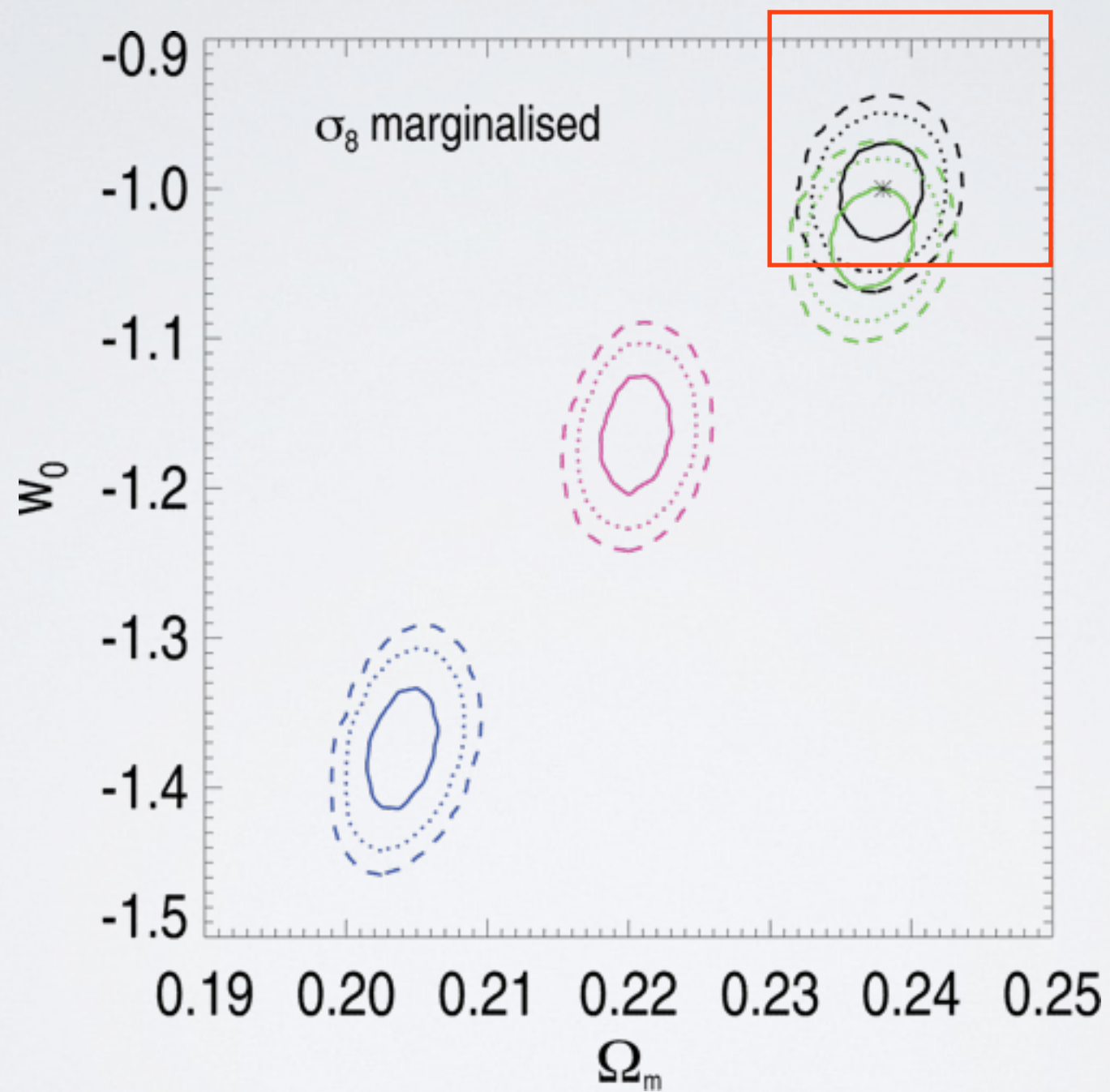
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- One solution: add a modelled distribution of the gas to the halo model (detailed observations needed!)

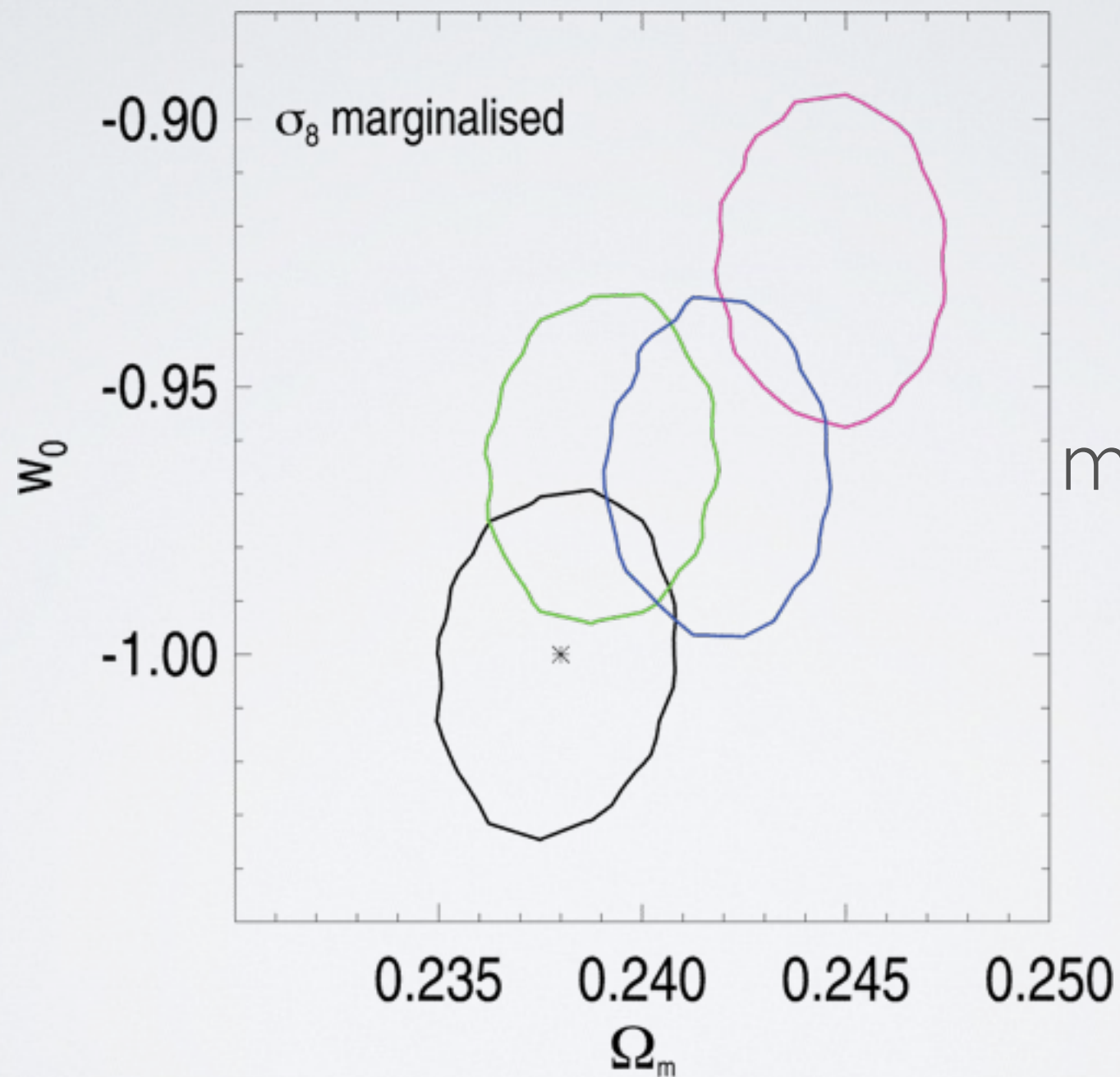
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However:
this solution is
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SUMMARY PART I

- Baryonic processes, especially AGN feedback, greatly affect the matter power spectrum, even at large scales
- Corrections can be made to reduce the ($\sim 40\%$!) bias, though these are (currently) model-dependent
- Better constraints on the distribution of gas in and around haloes (X-ray/SZ) are needed

van Daalen et al. 2011, arXiv: 1104.1174; Semboloni et al. 2011, arXiv: 1105.1075

PART II

THE CORRELATION FUNCTION

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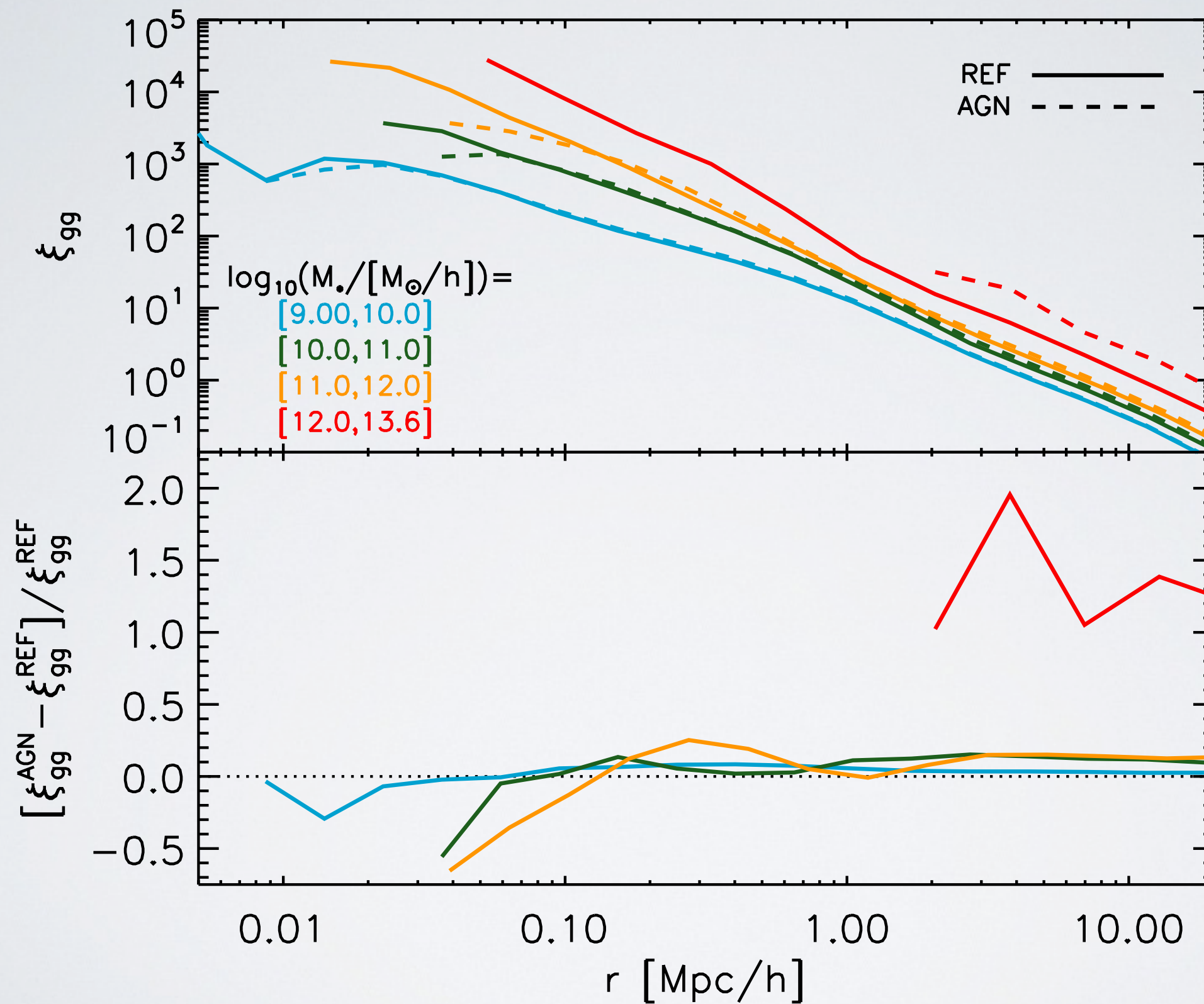
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 - Galaxy correlation function: $\xi_g(r) = \langle \delta_g(\mathbf{r}_1) \delta_g(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle$ ($r = |\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|$)
(basically counting galaxies)
 - Galaxy-mass cross-correlation function: $\xi_{gm}(r) = \langle \delta_g(\mathbf{r}_1) \delta_m(\mathbf{r}_2) \rangle$
(indication of the lensing signal)

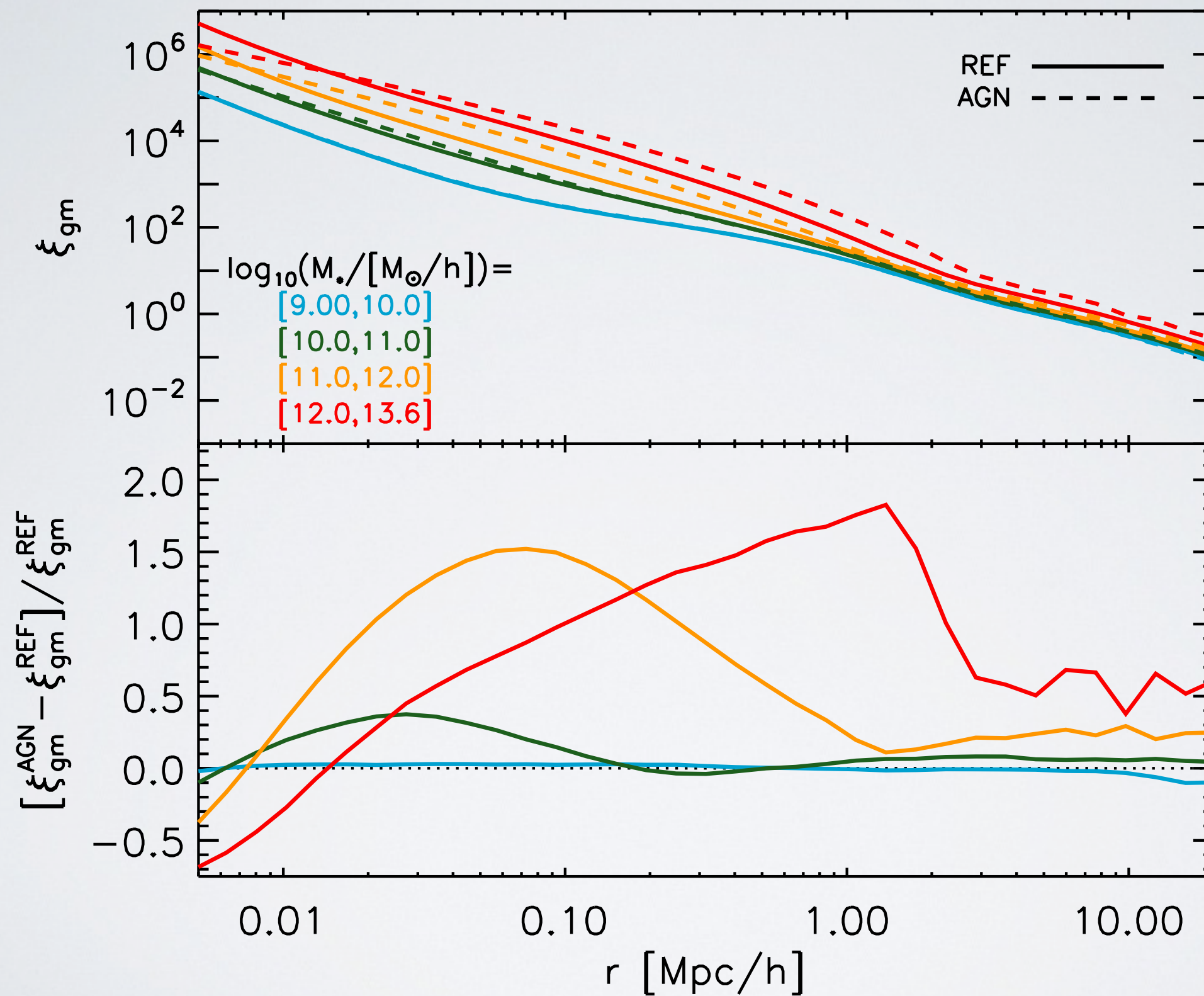
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- Cosmo-OWLS simulations: *DMONLY*, *REF*, *AGN* (identical initial conditions!), all WMAP7 cosmology
- *REF* contains radiative cooling/heating, star formation, chemical enrichment, supernova feedback
- *AGN* contains the same, plus AGN feedback
- 200 Mpc/h and 400 Mpc/h boxes with $\epsilon_{\text{max}}=2-4$ pkpc/h

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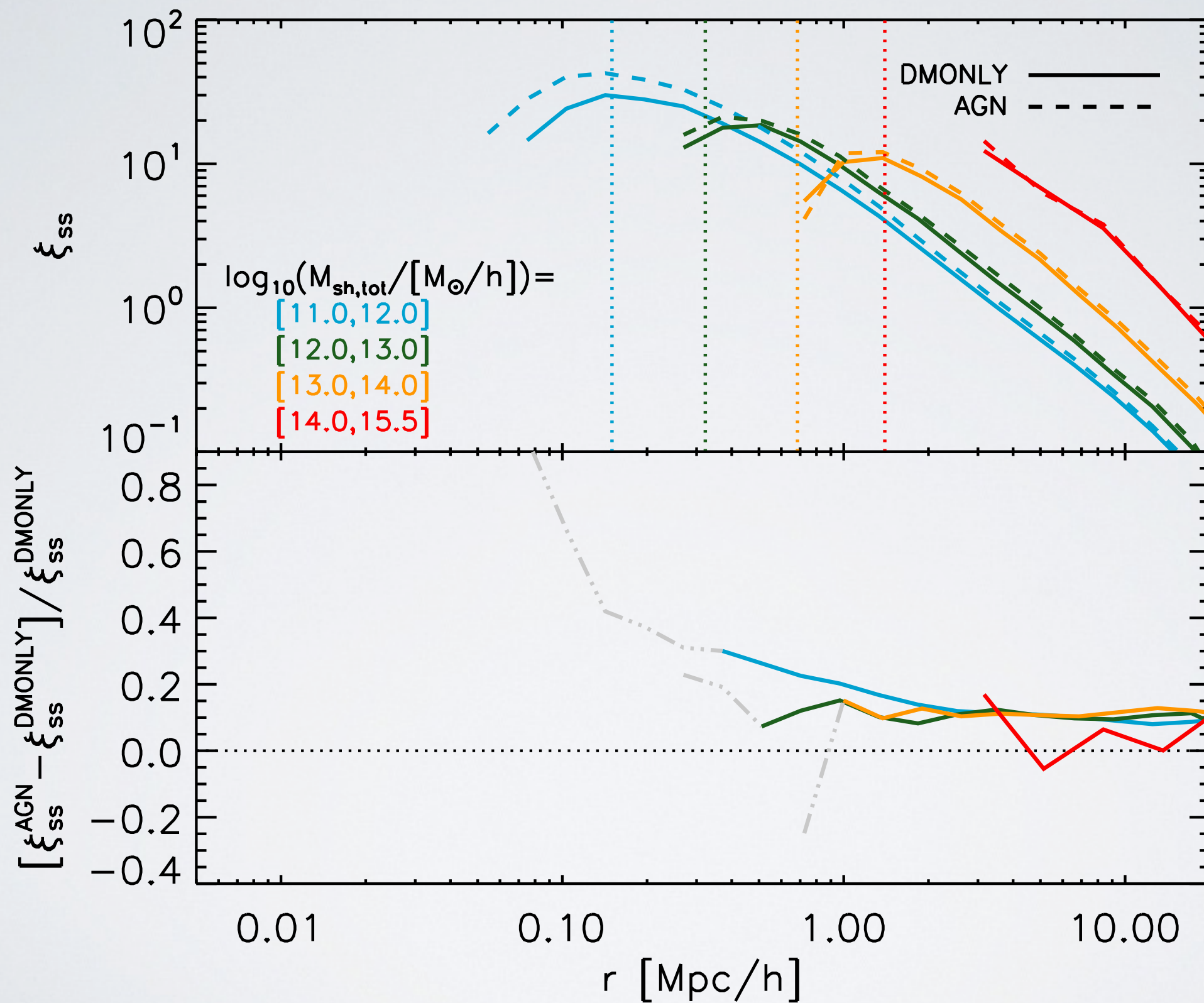
GALAXY - MASS



SUBHALOES, NOT GALAXIES

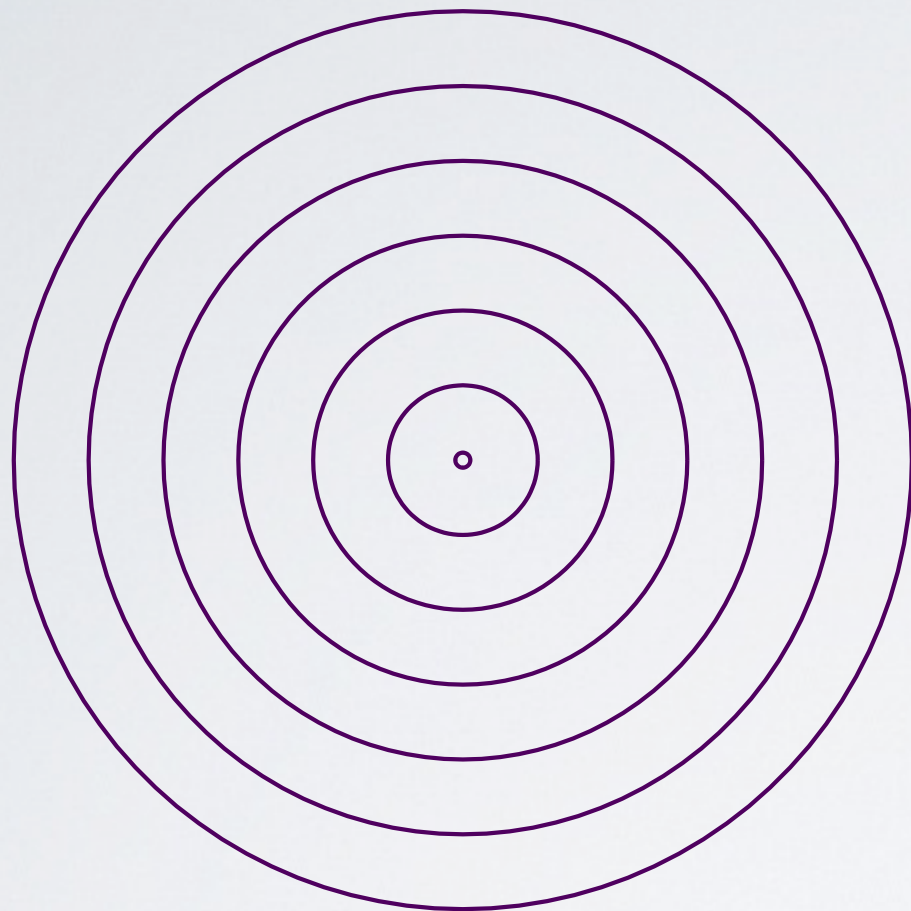
- Stellar masses highly sensitive to code, subgrid recipes and cosmology – often quite wrong in hydro simulations
- SHAM and SAMs do reproduce the M_* - M_h relation, and clustering models typically use these predictions
 - ⇒ Use subhaloes instead of galaxies
- That way, we can consider the effects of galaxy formation relative to a dark matter only scenario

SUBHALO - SUBHALO



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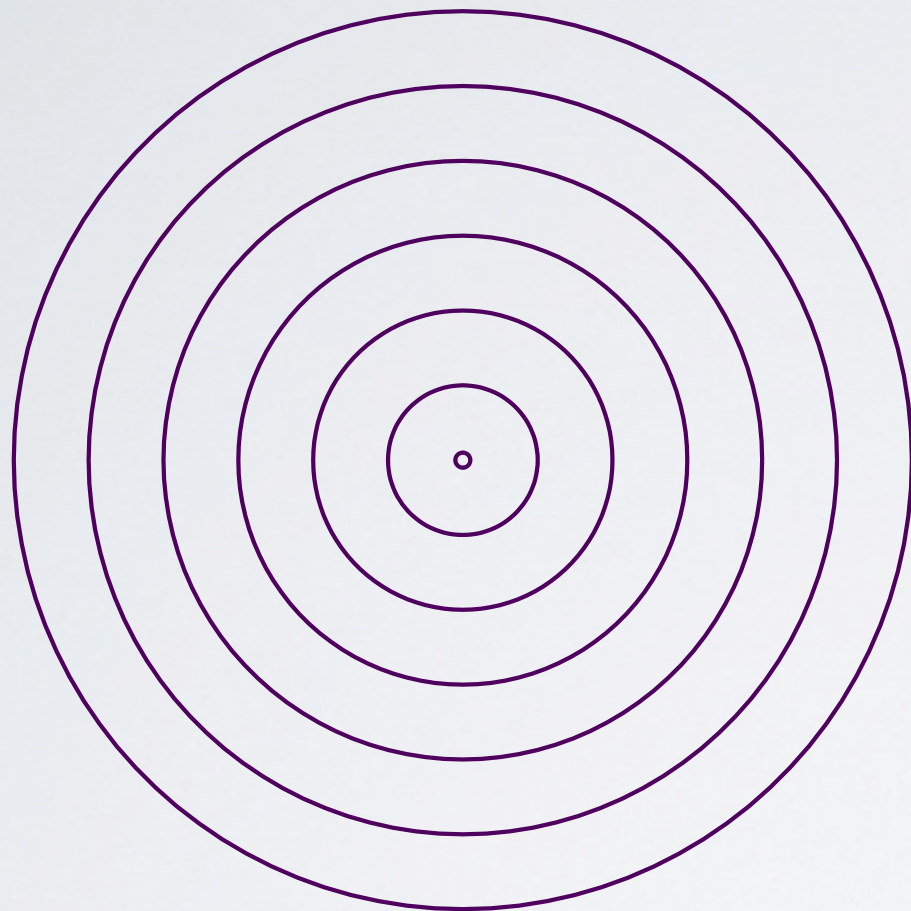
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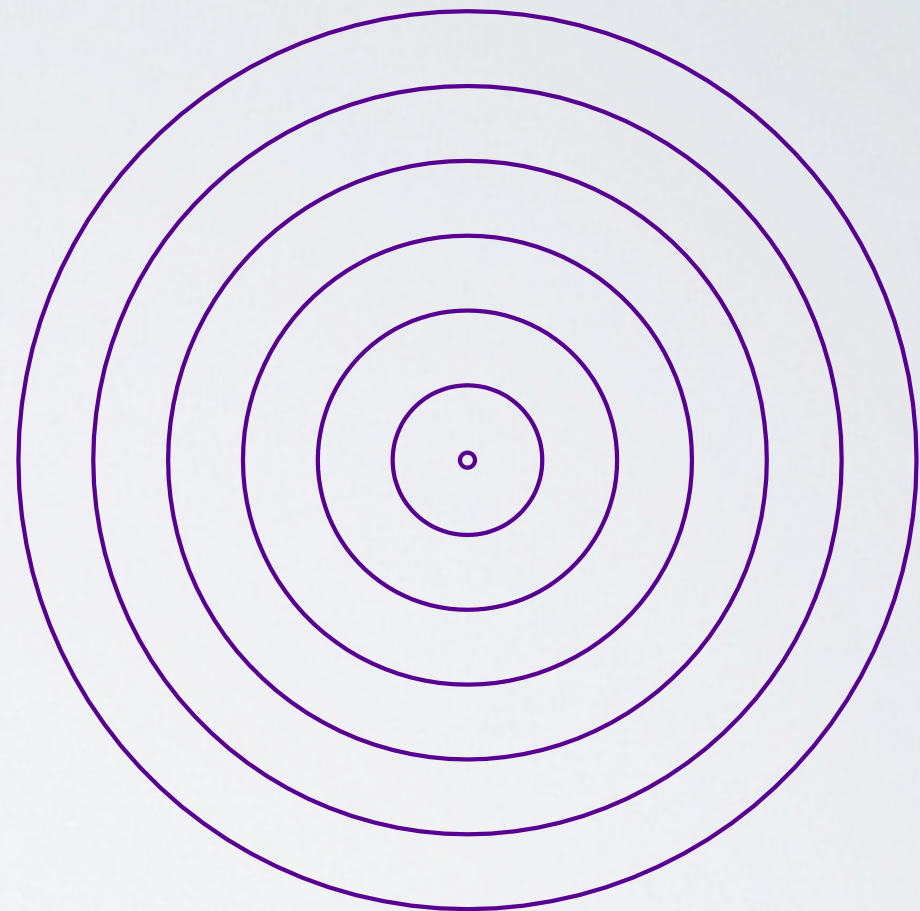
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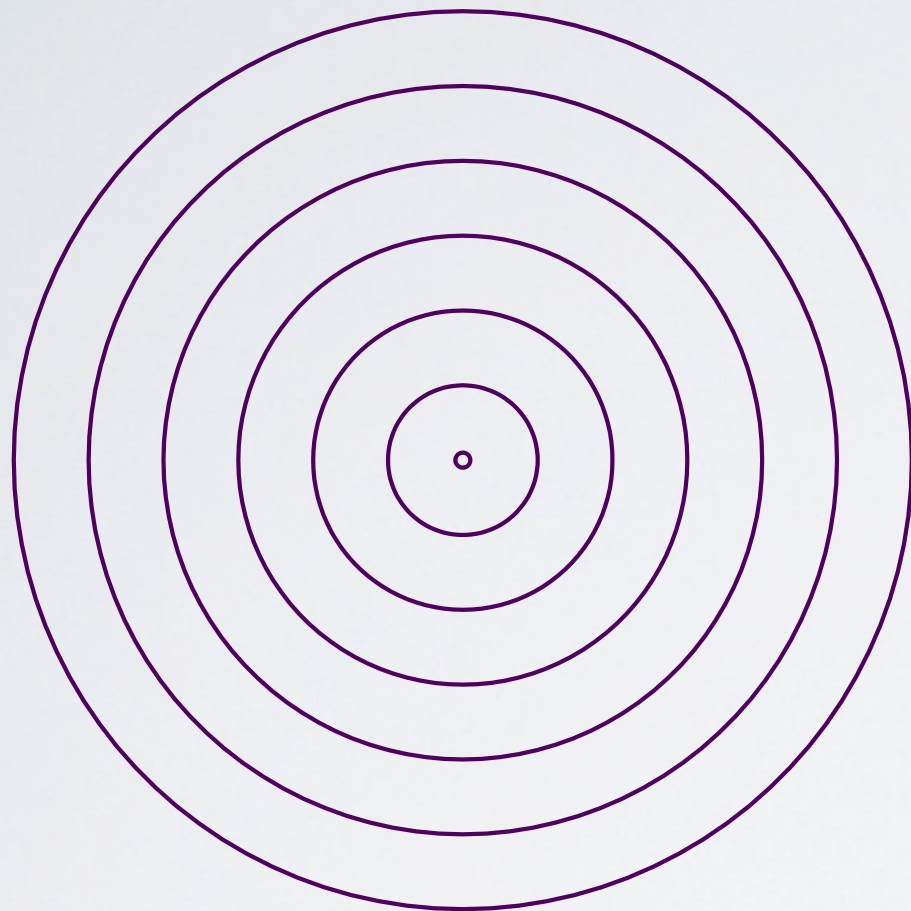


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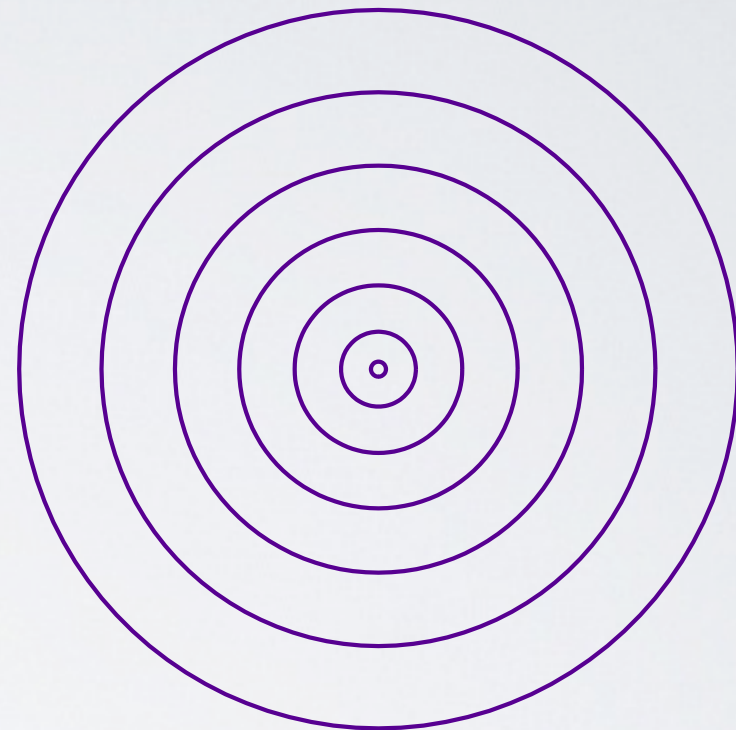


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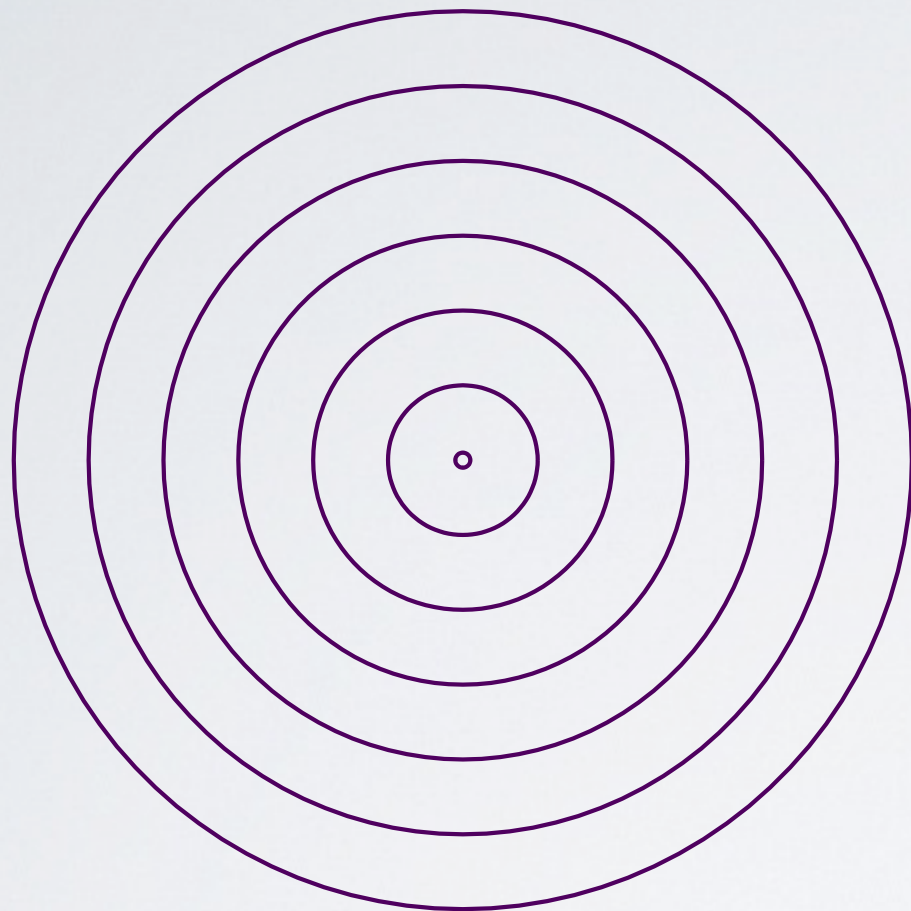
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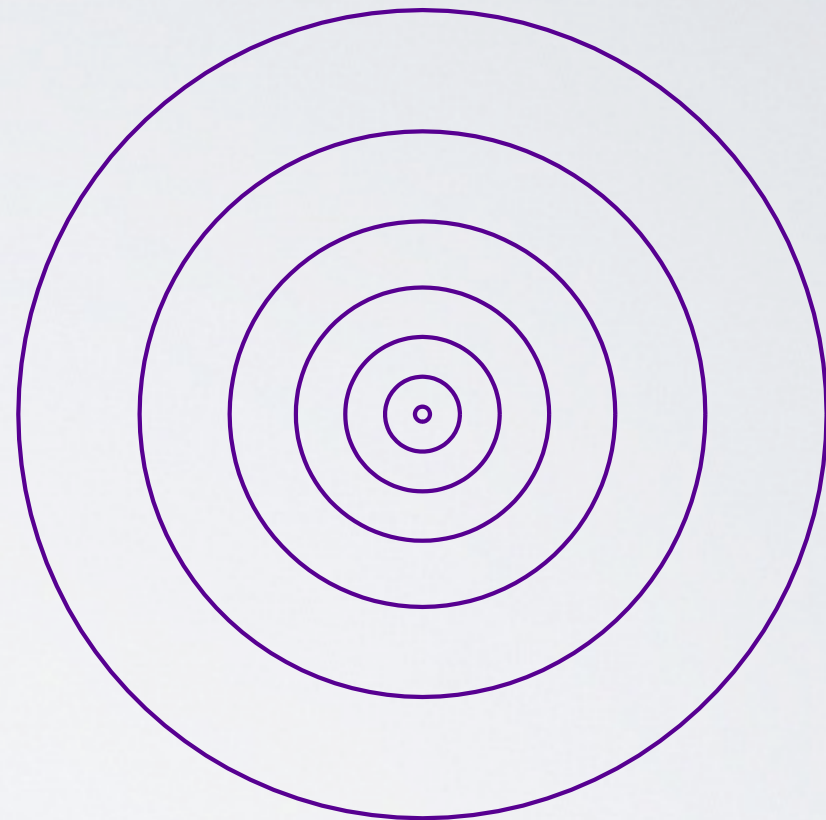
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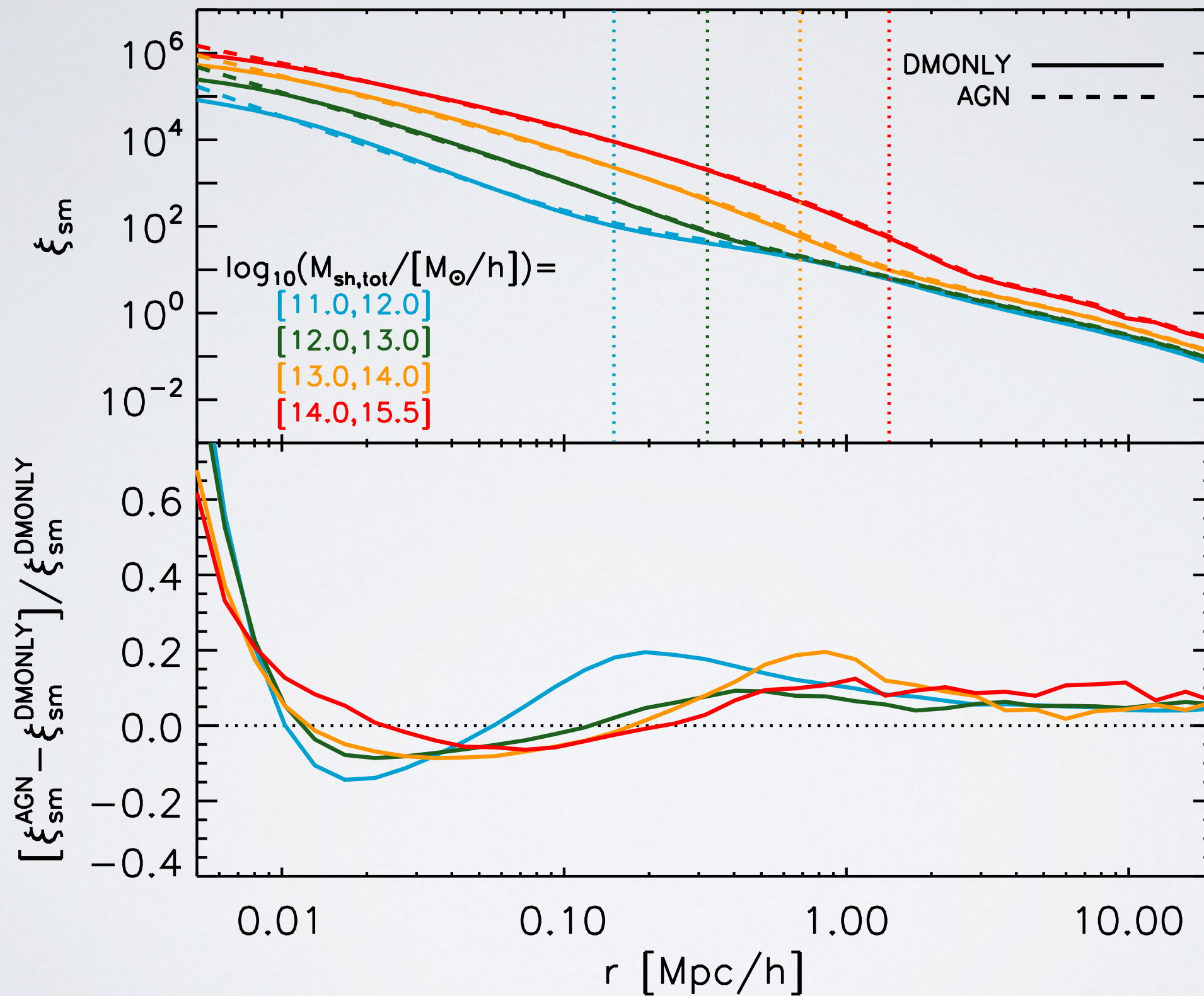


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Efficient feedback partly negates this!

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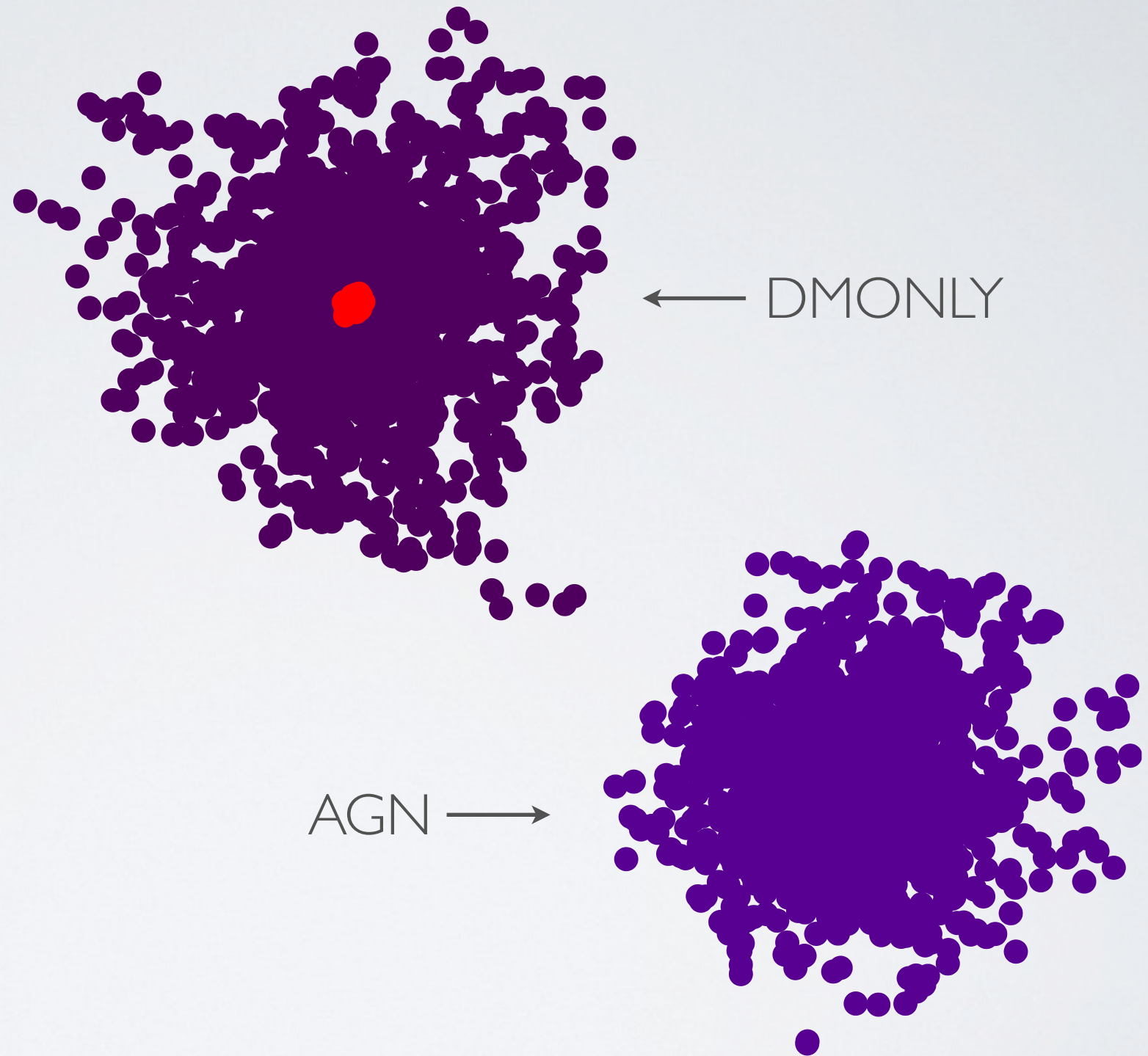


LINKING SUBHALOES

- Feedback lowers the mass of objects, but we may be able to account for this mass-dependently (e.g. Velliscig et al. 2014)
- What part of the effect we see is due to the masses changing?
- Investigate by linking subhaloes between different simulations

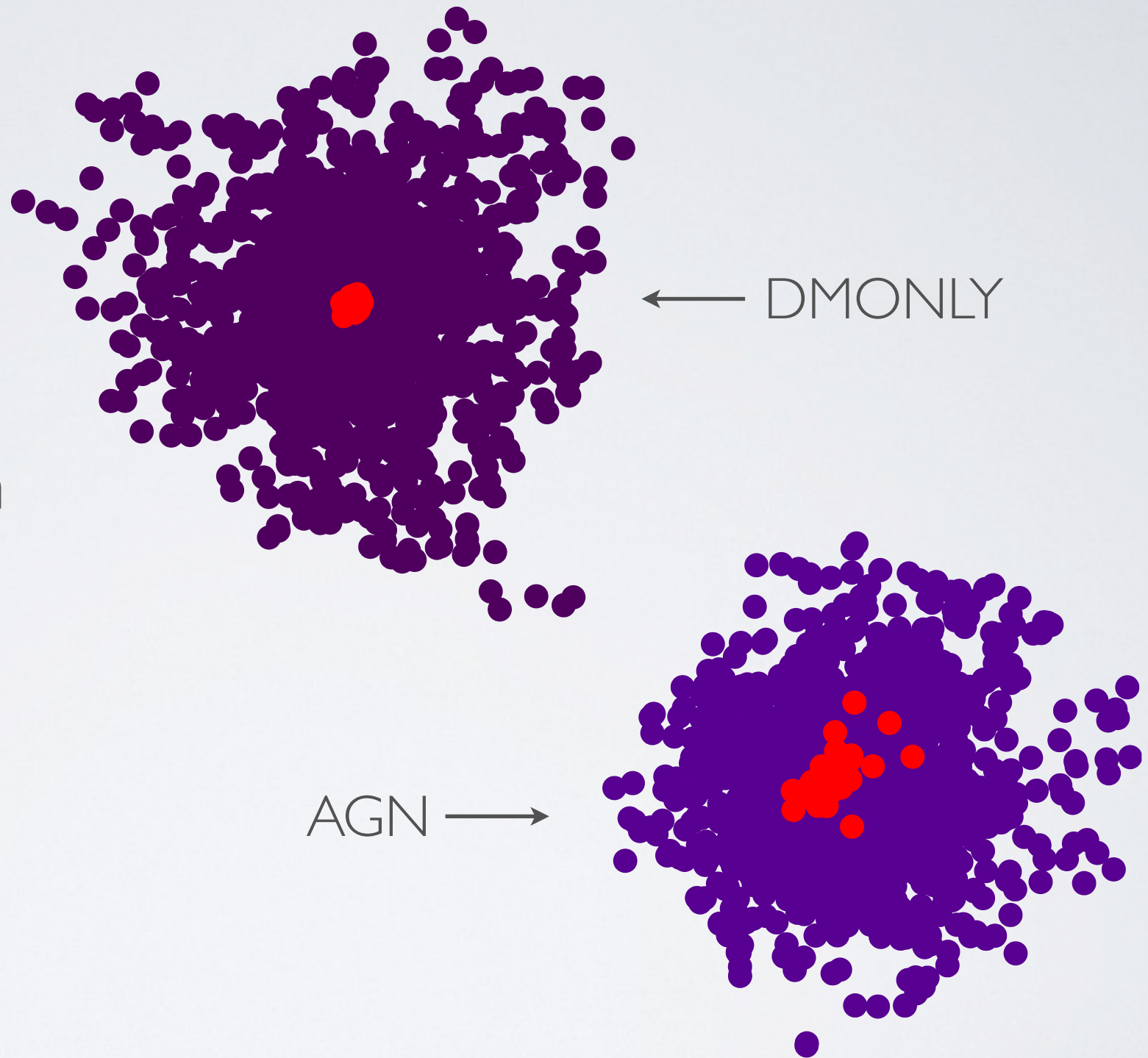
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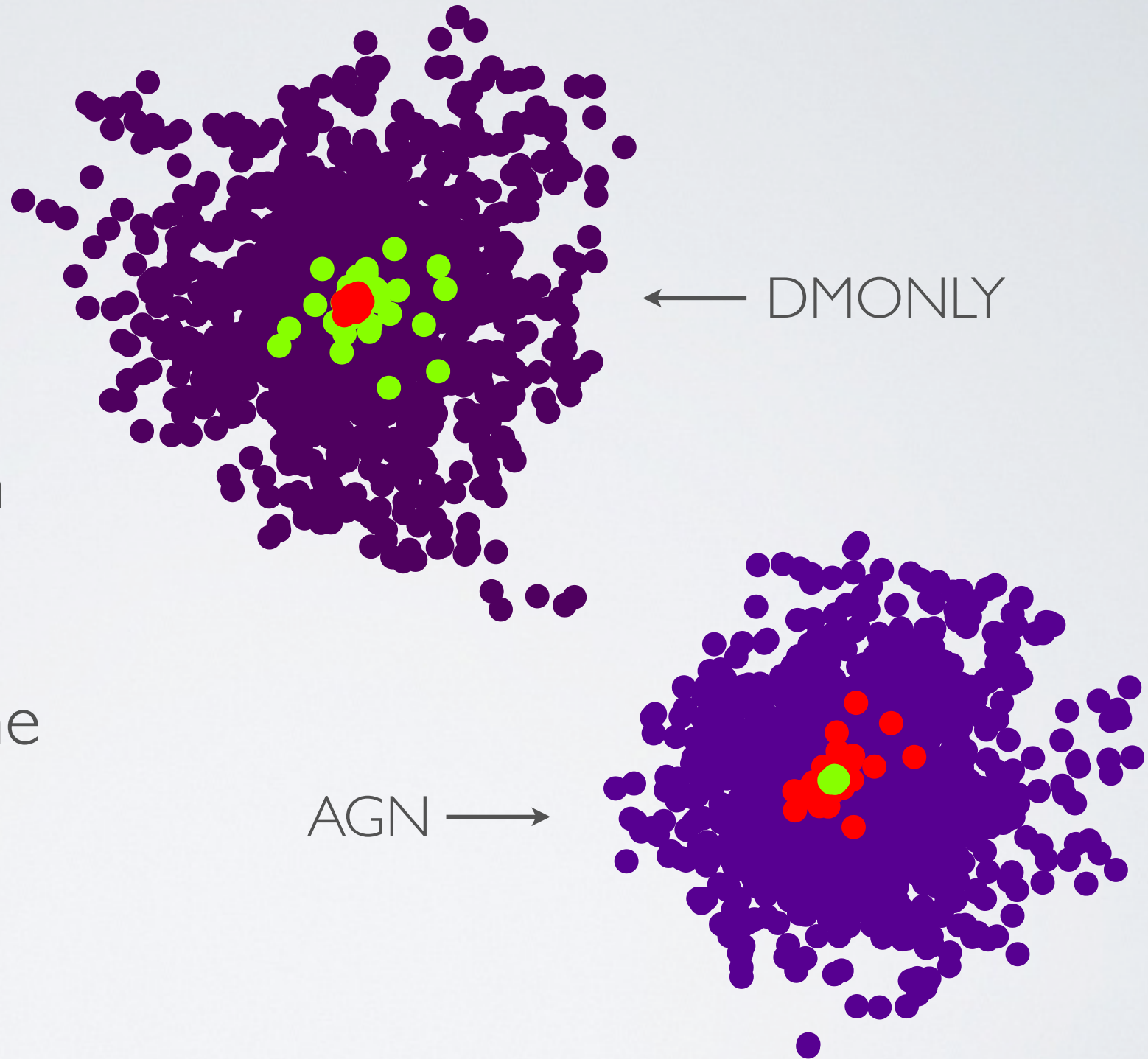
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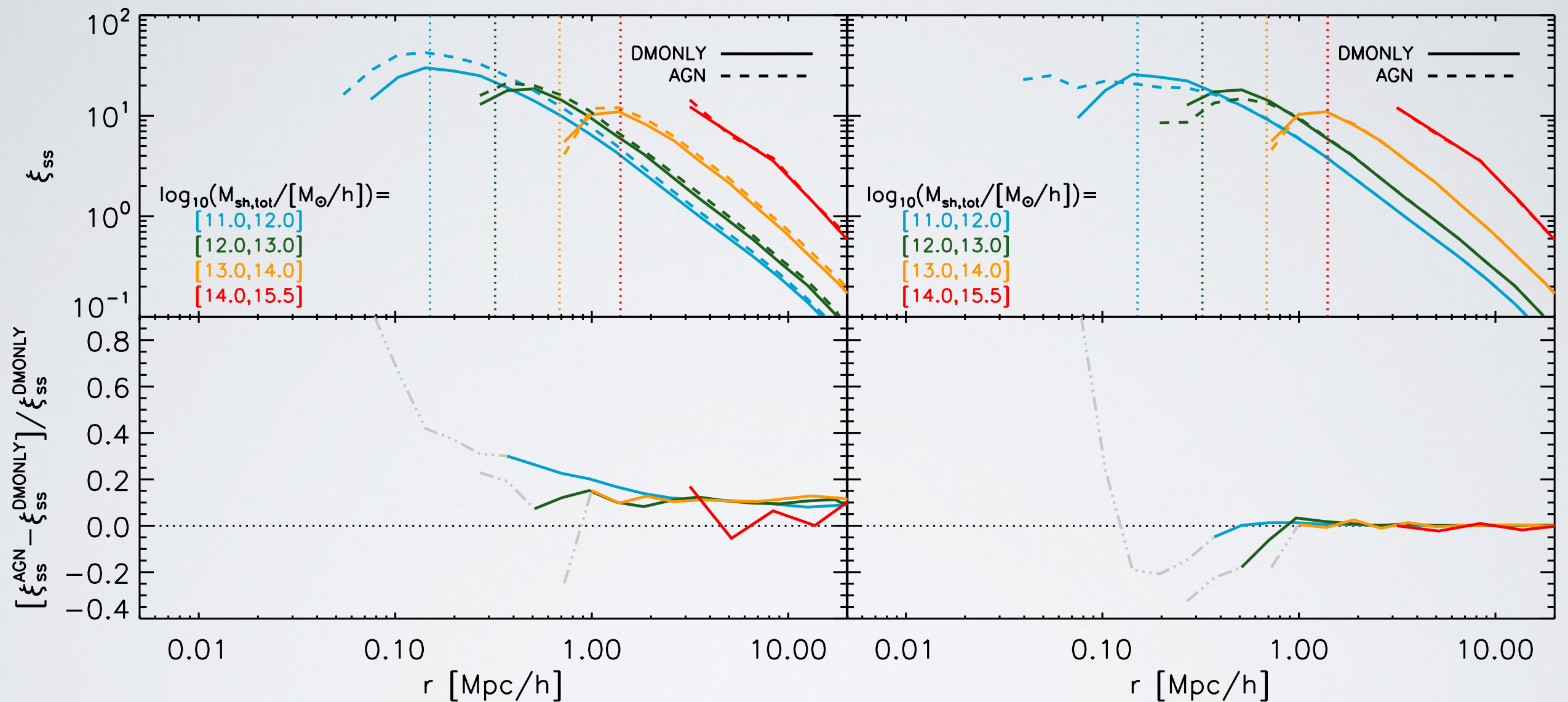
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- Linked fraction is $\sim 98\%$ for the lowest-mass subhaloes, typically $>99\%$
- Calculate correlation functions again, but now selecting by DMONLY mass $\rightarrow$ effectively removes the mass change!

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unlinked

linked

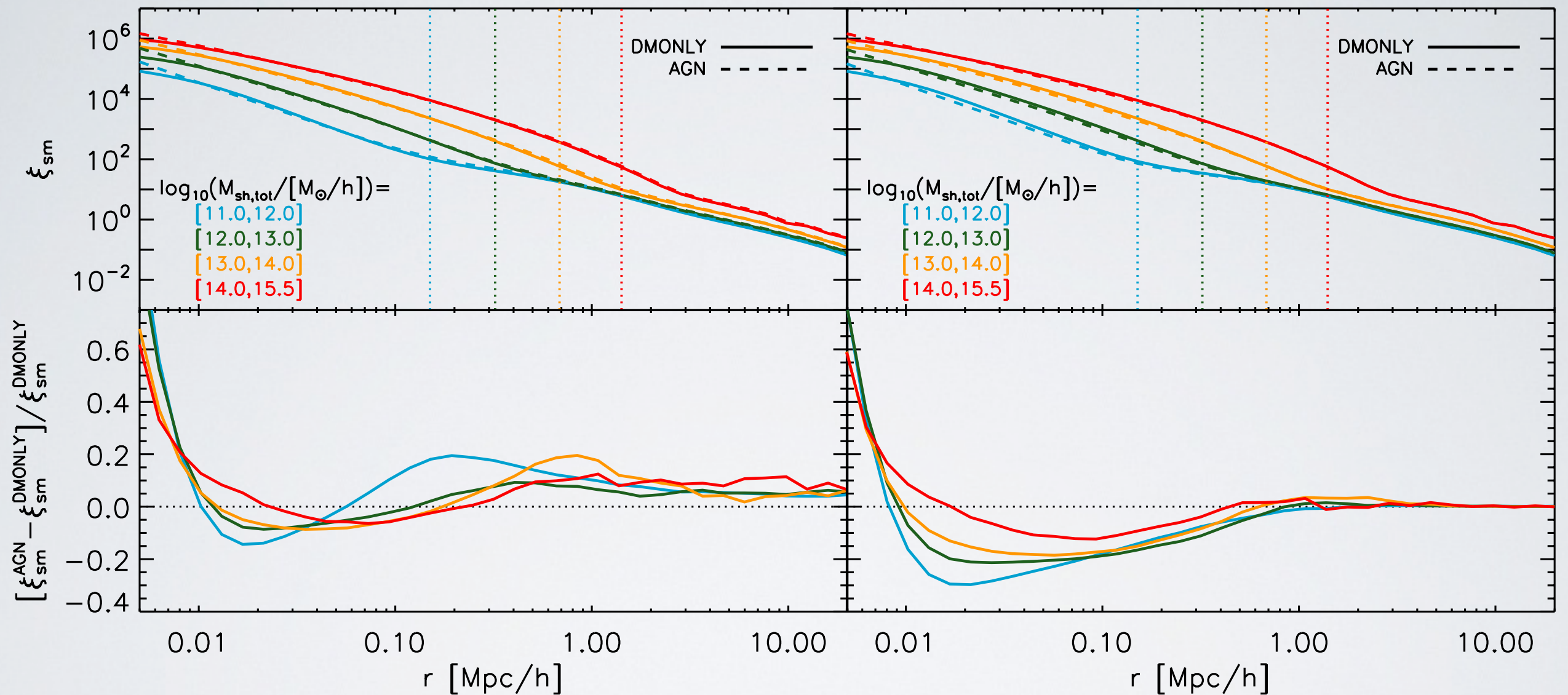


Effect goes away entirely for $r \gtrsim 2r_{\text{vir}}$!

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Change of subhalo profiles still important!

SUMMARY PART II

- Galaxy formation changes clustering a lot, both by changing the masses of objects and the overall distribution of mass
- When mass-selecting objects, account for the mass change due to galaxy formation or be biased by $\sim 10\%$
- For the clustering of matter, accounting for the change in profiles/large-scale gas distribution is most important (out to beyond even r_{vir} !)