

# Large-scale baryon transfer in cosmological simulations

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# FIRE cosmological “zoom-in” simulations

Hopkins et al. 2014, 2018

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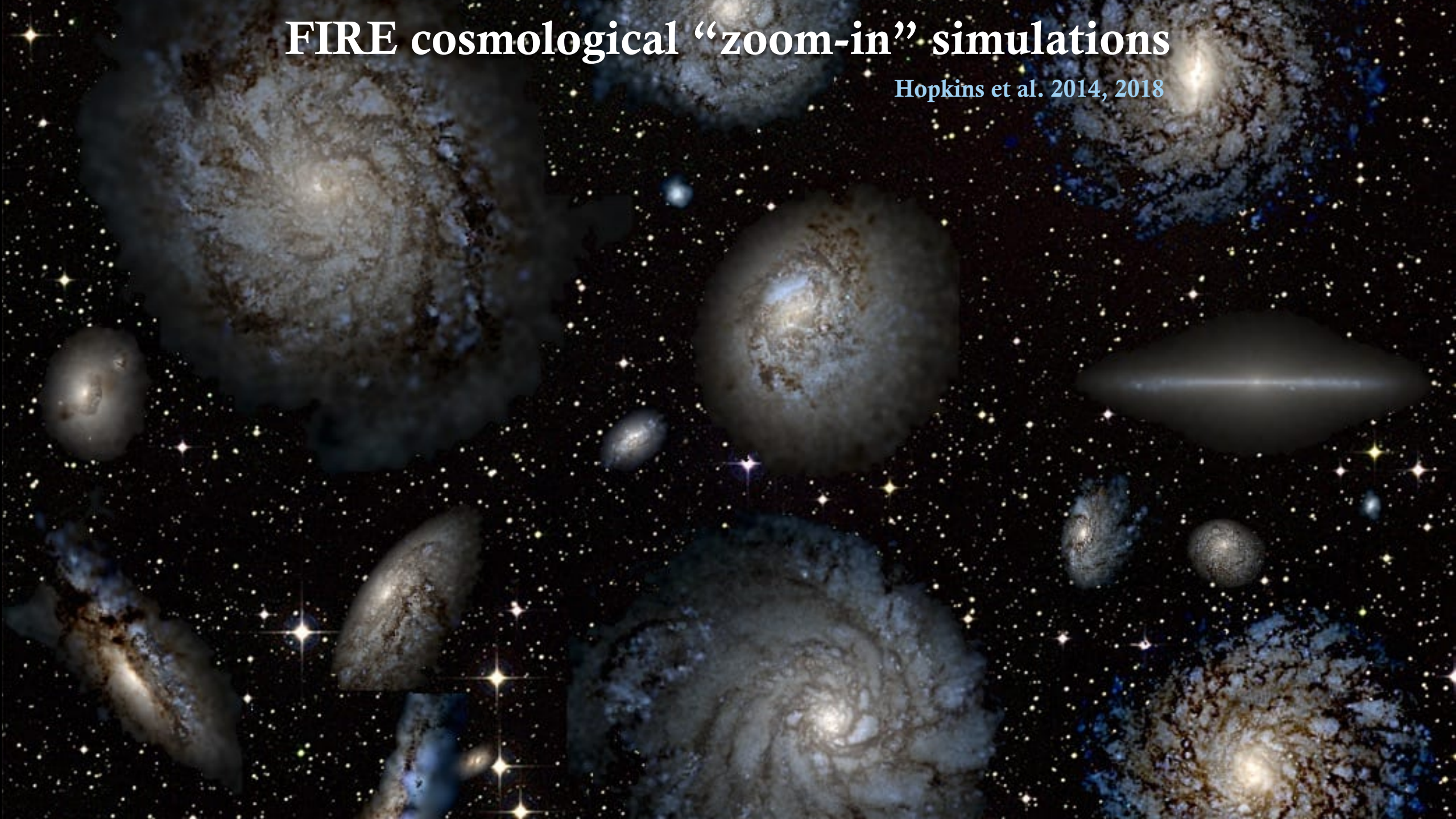
Mock three-color image  
(u/g/r bands) of galactic  
projection seen at 10 kpc  
from the center of MW-  
mass galaxy (Wetzel+16)

- 1) Resolving individual star-forming regions in full cosmological context
- 2) Stars form from high density ( $n > 1000 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ), molecular, locally self-gravitating gas
- 3) Local feedback from supernovae, stellar winds, and radiation from Starburst99
- 4) Reproduce many galaxy properties without tuning parameters



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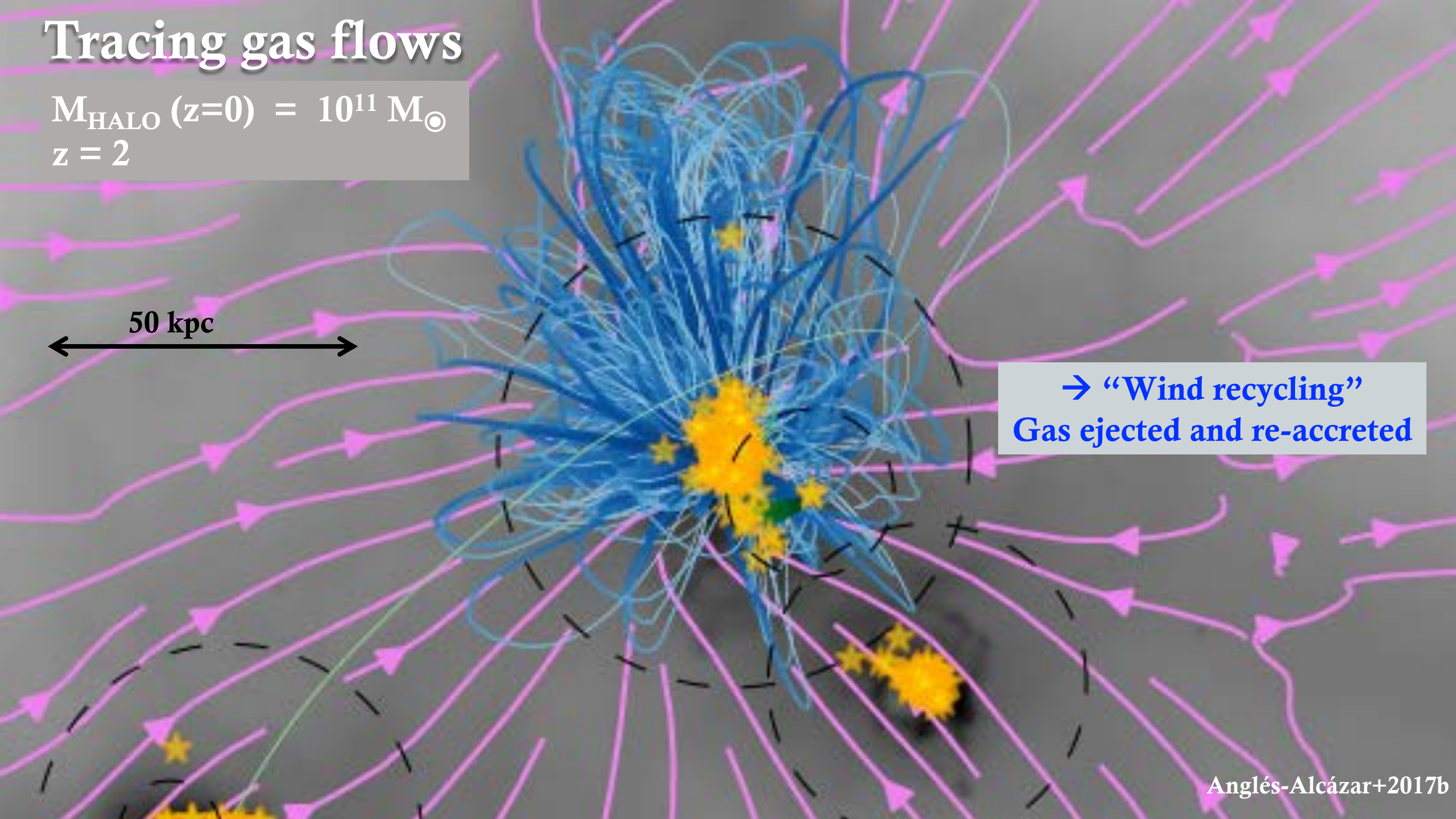


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$M_{\text{HALO}}(z=0) = 10^{11} M_{\odot}$   
 $z = 2$

50 kpc

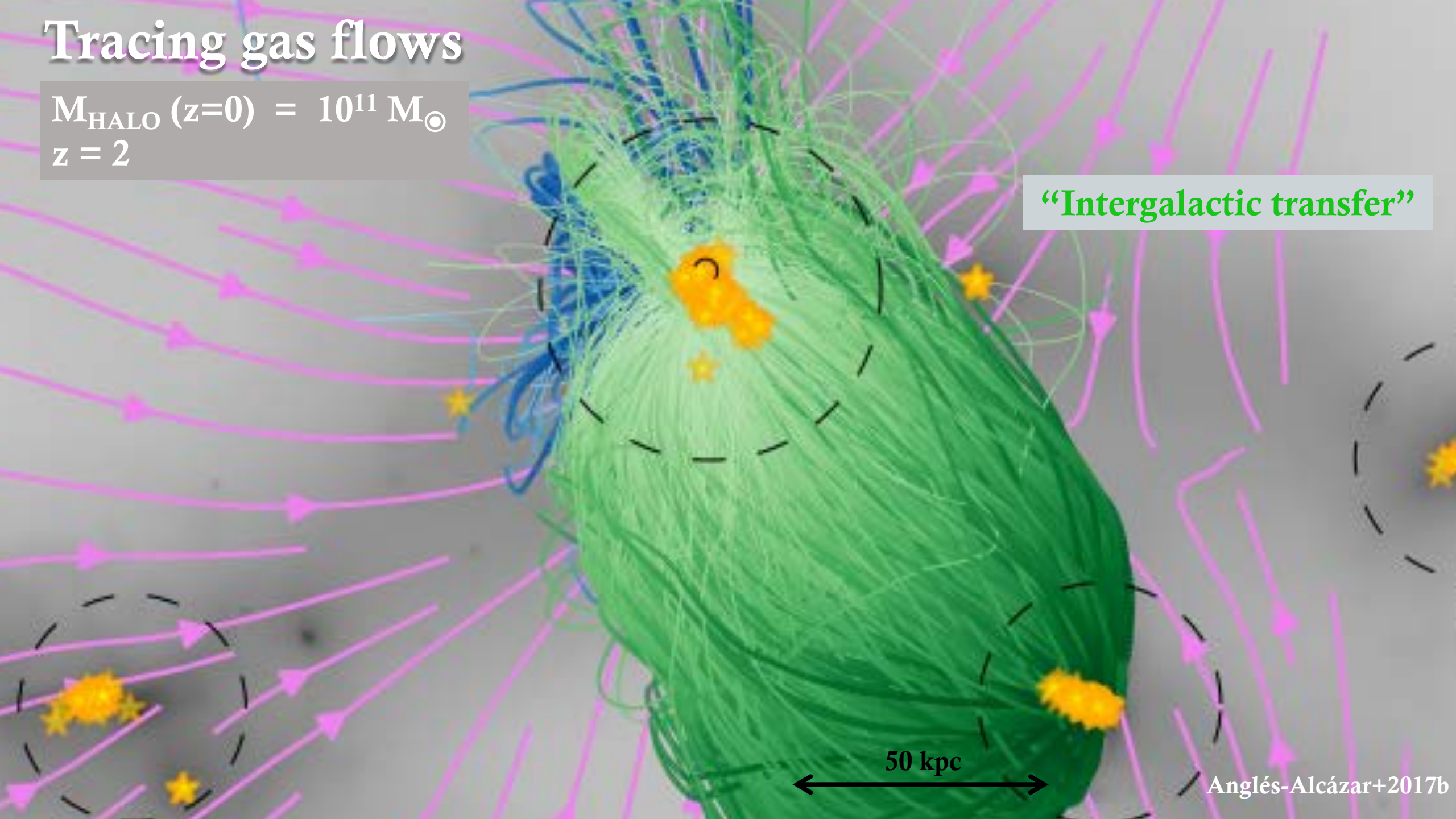
→ “Wind recycling”  
Gas ejected and re-accreted



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“Intergalactic transfer”

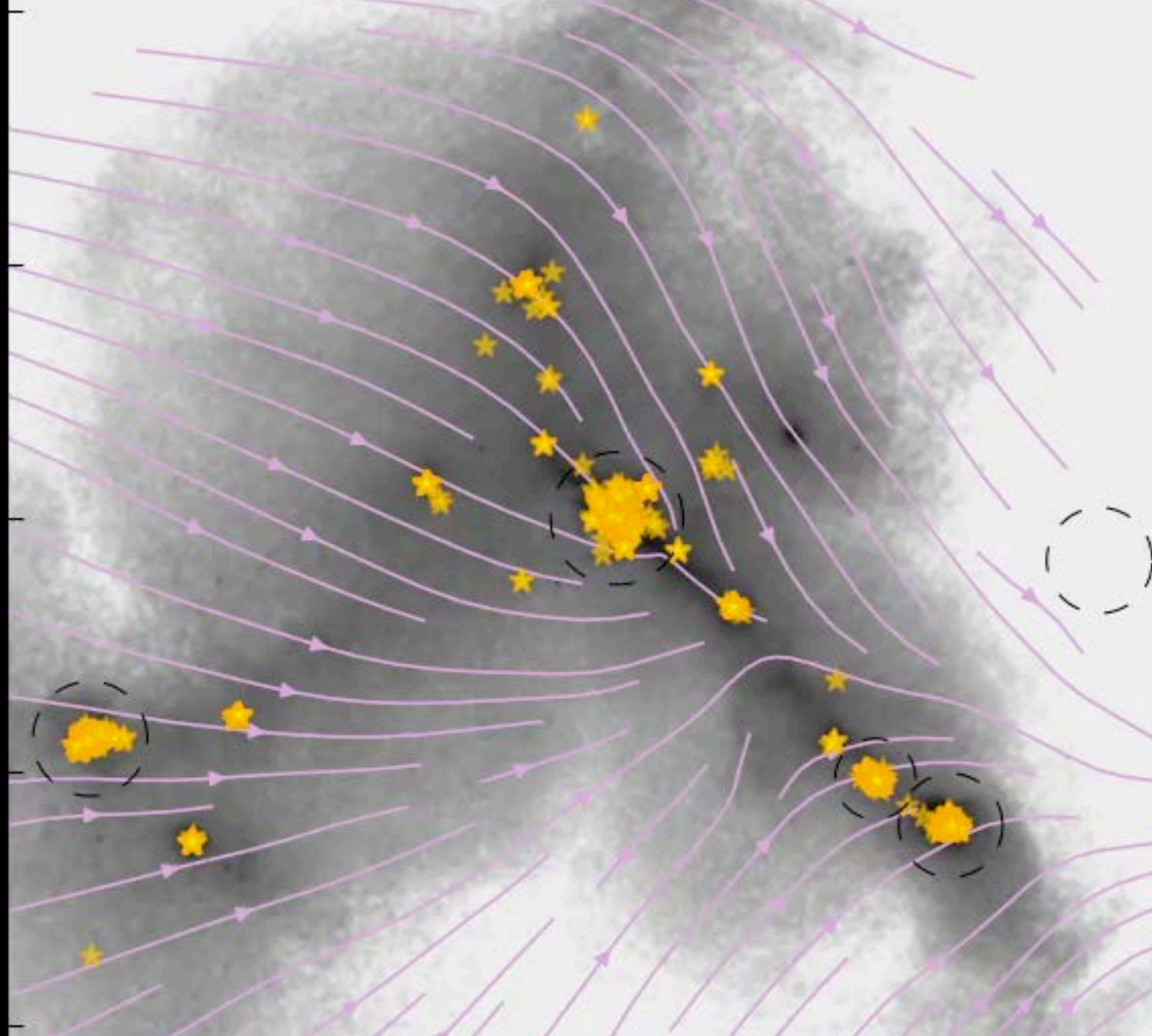


Fresh accretion

Wind recycling

Intergalactic transfer

Wind recycling and transfer events are common in every galaxy's history!



$z = 1.000$

# Intergalactic Transfer

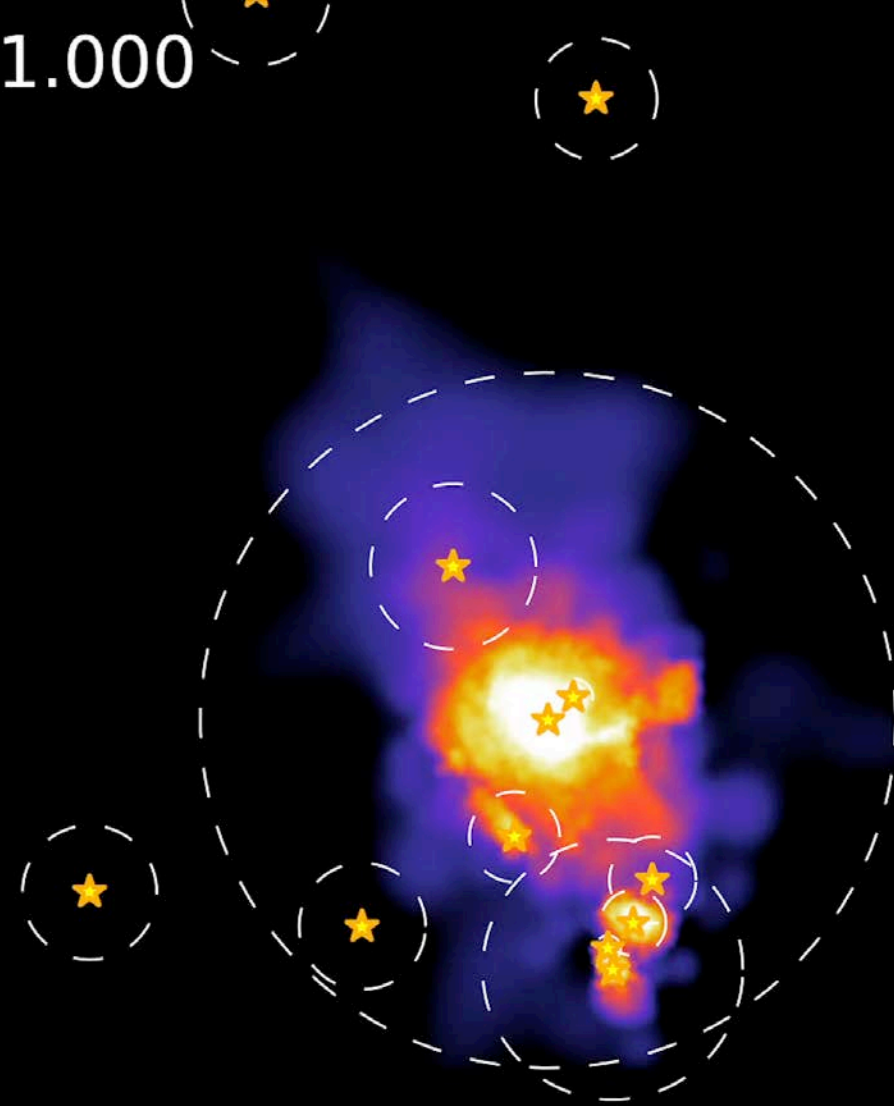
Anglés-Alcázar+2017b

From small satellites onto  
Milky-Way mass galaxy

Quasi-spherical outflows unbind  
interstellar medium gas from satellites

Satellite winds are easily stripped by  
ram pressure

→ Up to 1/3 of stellar mass at  $z=0$ !



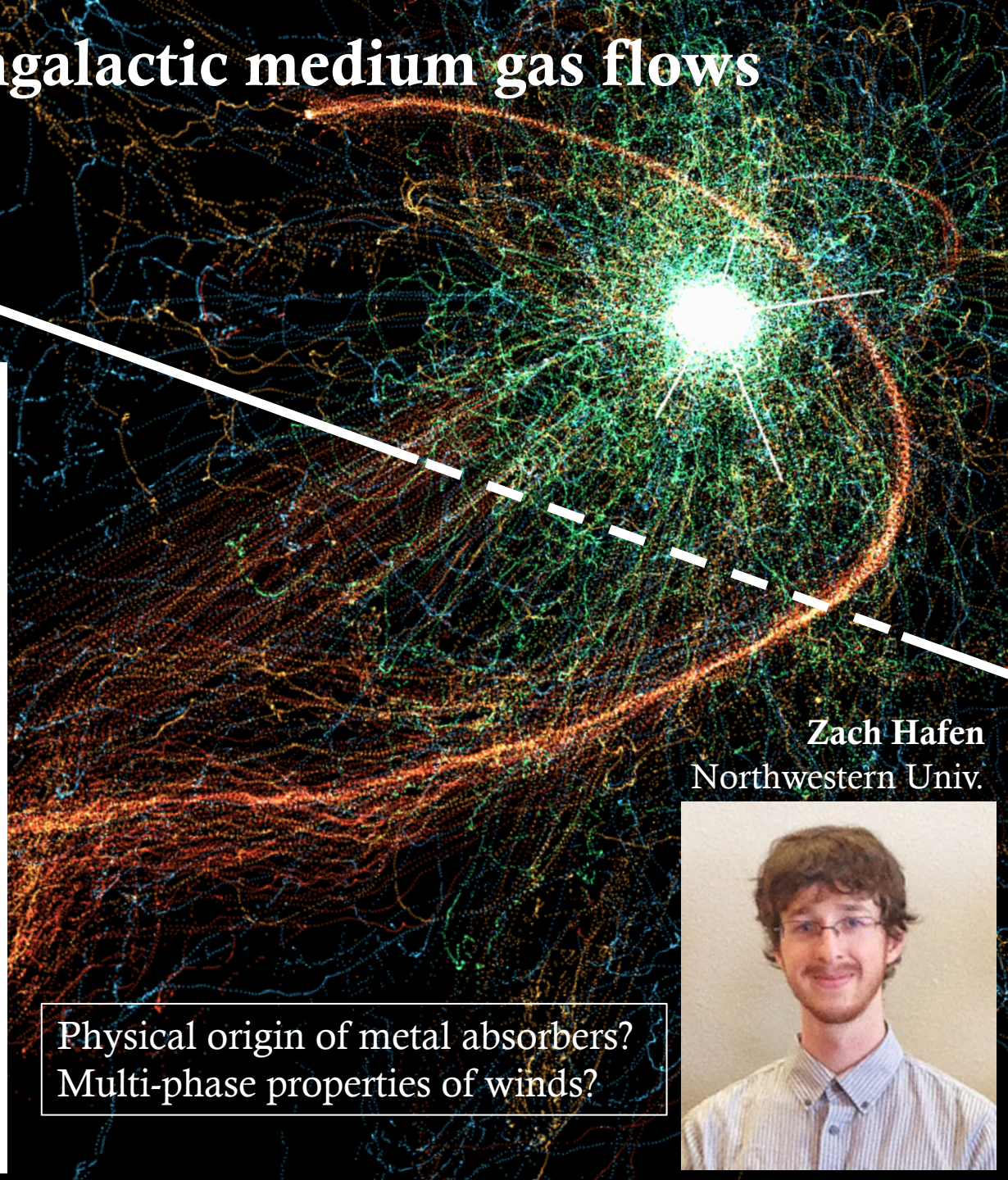
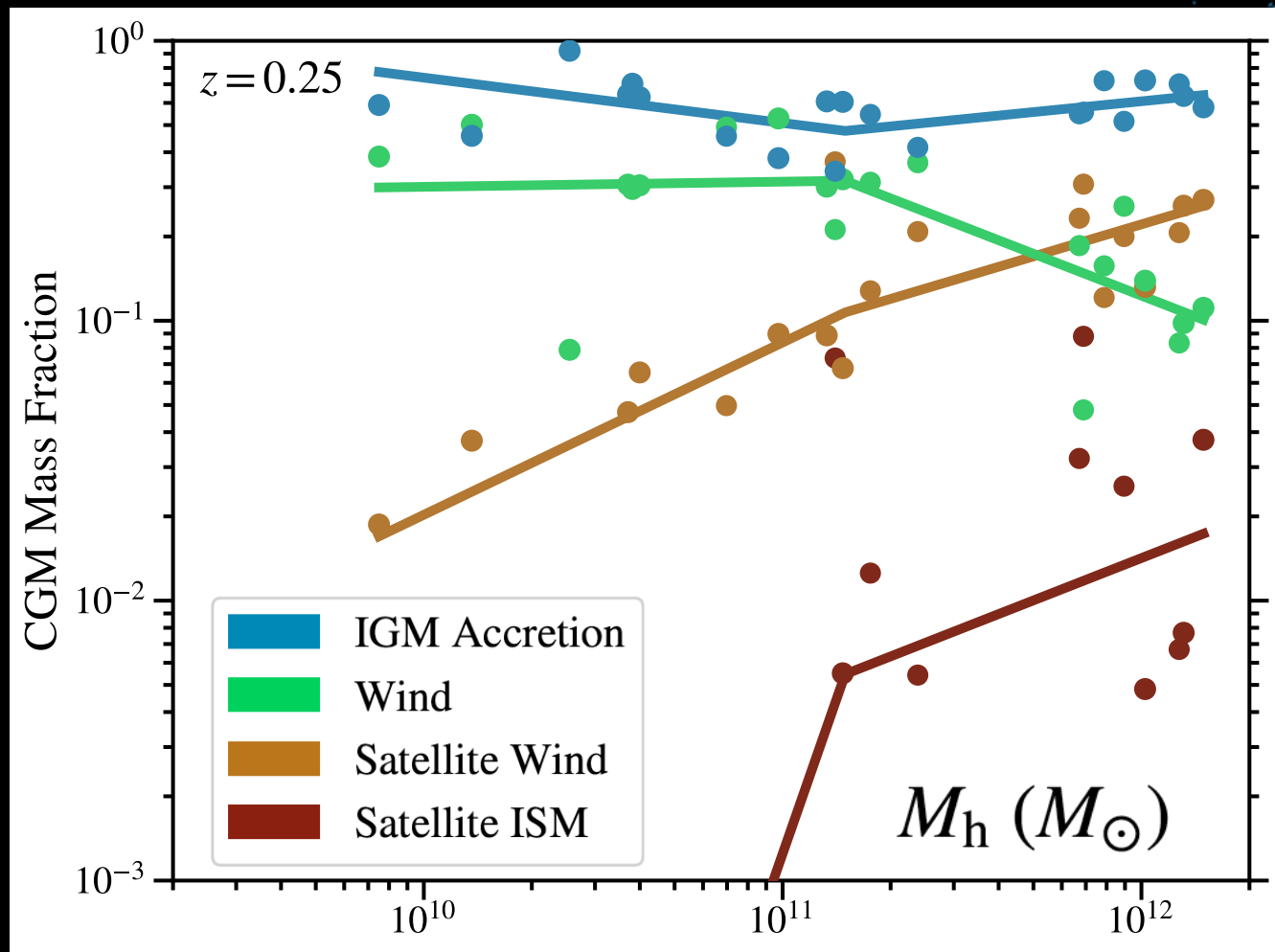


# Tracing the origin and fate of circumgalactic medium gas flows

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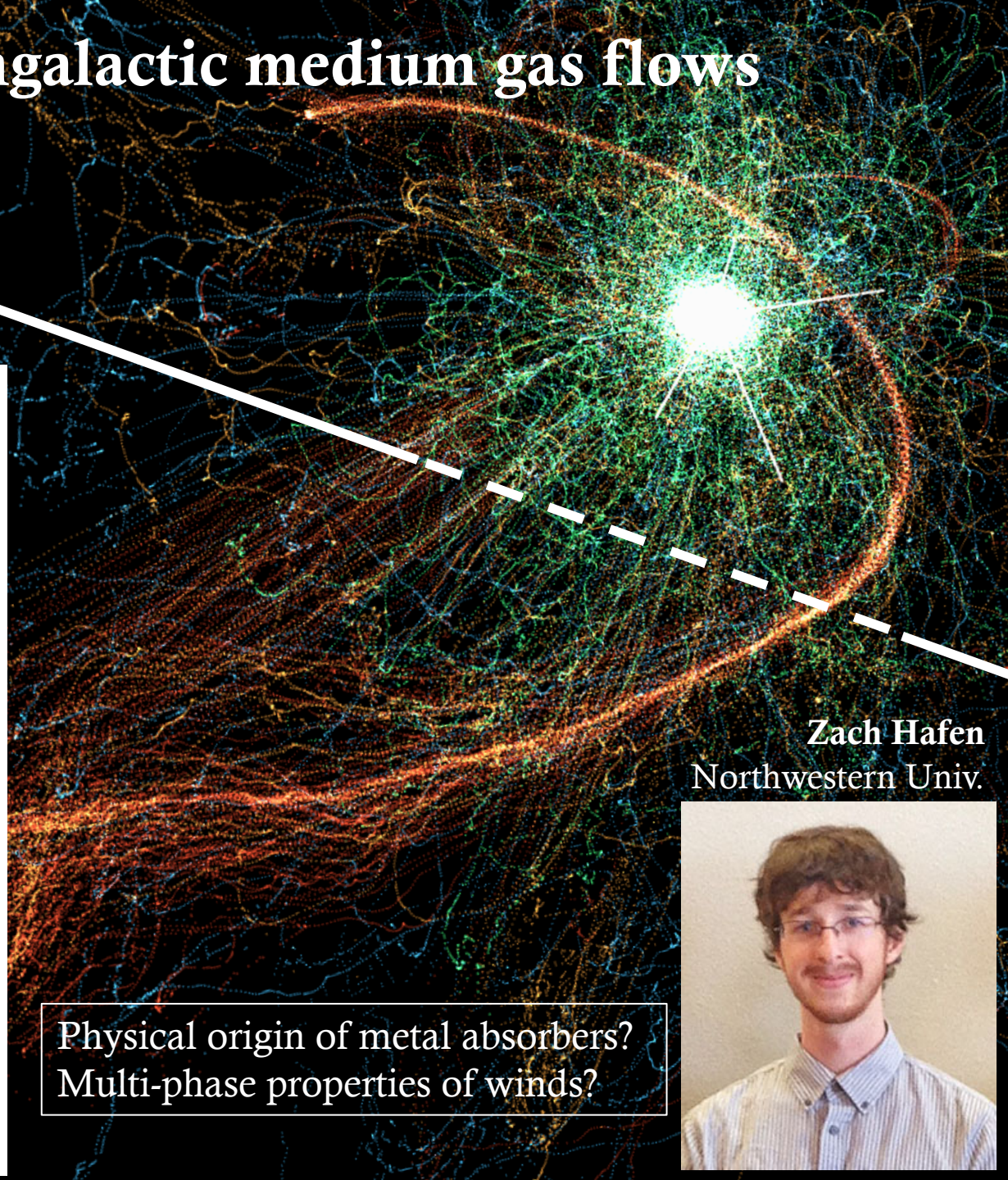
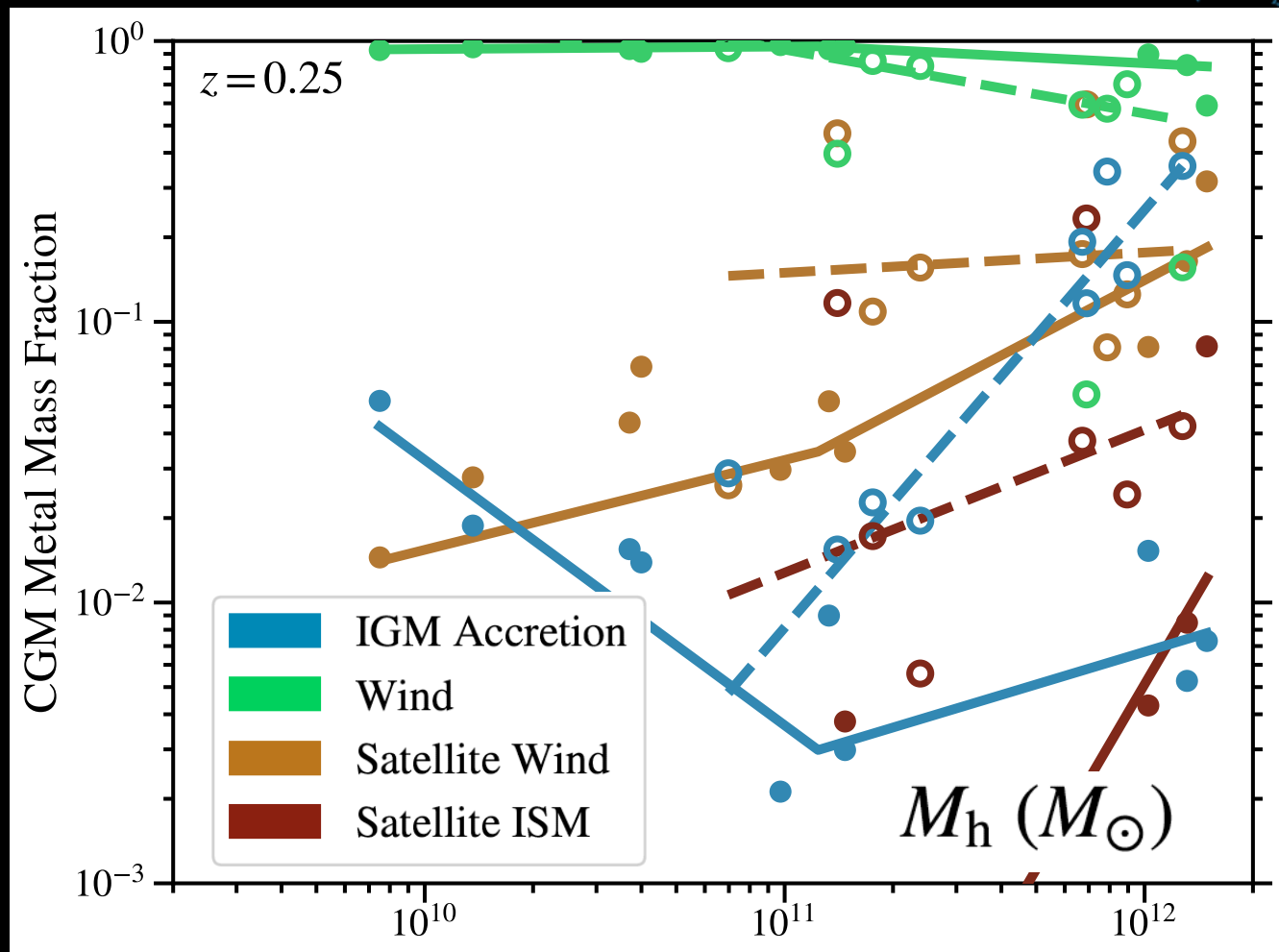
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Multi-phase properties of winds?

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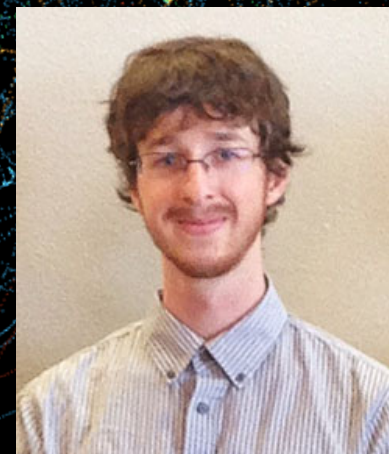
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# Simba = Mufasa + black holes

Davé, Anglés-Alcázar+2019

With Romeel Davé, Desika Narayanan, ...

**Galactic winds based on FIRE simulations**  
(Anglés-Alcázar+17b)

**Two-mode black hole accretion:**

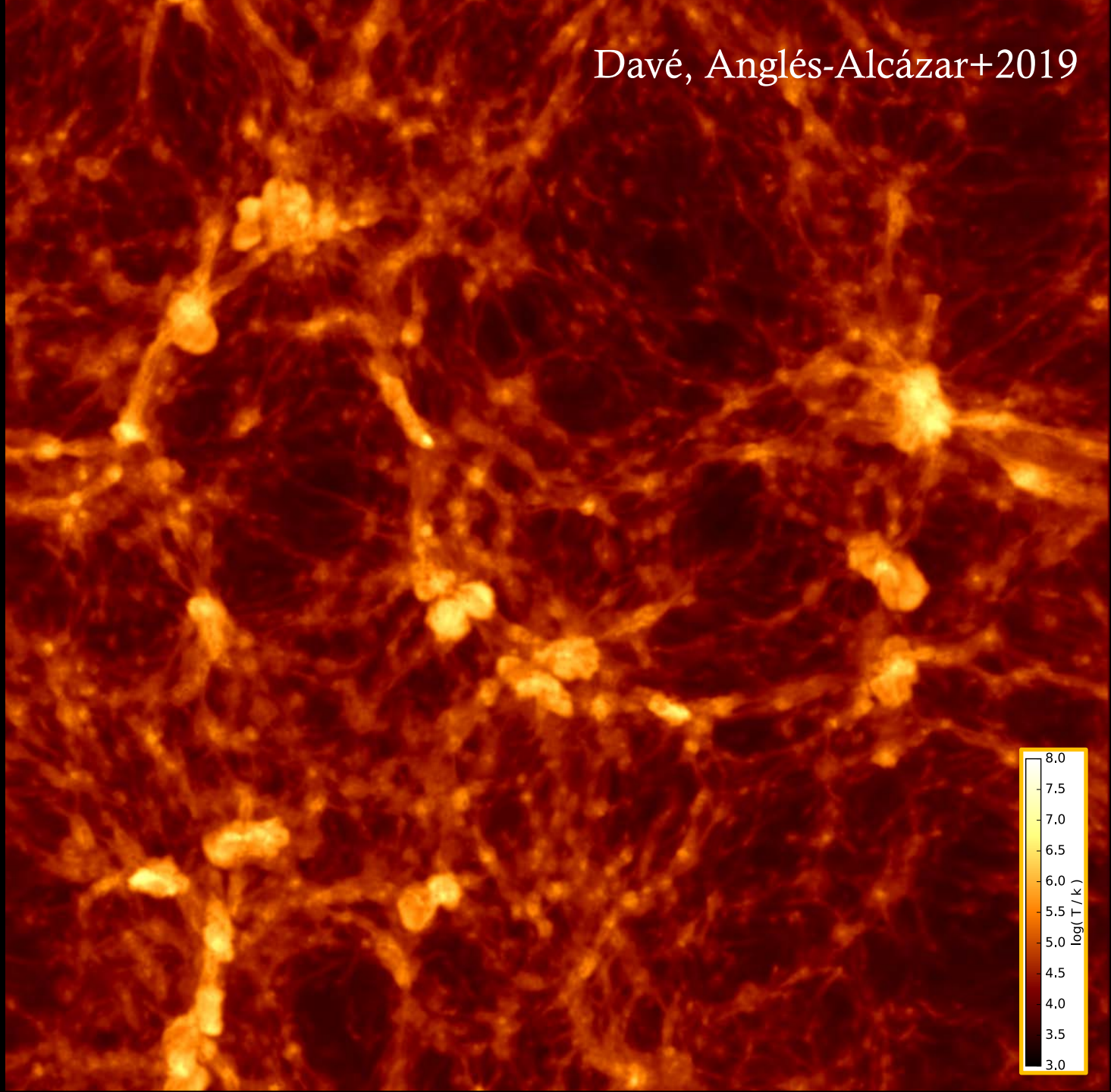
- Cold gas inflow driven by gravitational torques  
(Hopkins & Quataert 2011, Anglés-Alcázar+17a)
- Bondi accretion from hot gas

**Two-mode black hole feedback:**

(kinetic+bipolar; Anglés-Alcázar+17a)

- Radiative ( $\lambda > 0.02$ ):  $v = 1000$  km/s,  $P = 20$  L/c
- Jet ( $\lambda < 0.02$ ):  $v = 8000$  km/s  
+ X-ray heating (Choi+2012)

**Dust production, growth, and destruction**  
(passively advected; Li+2019)

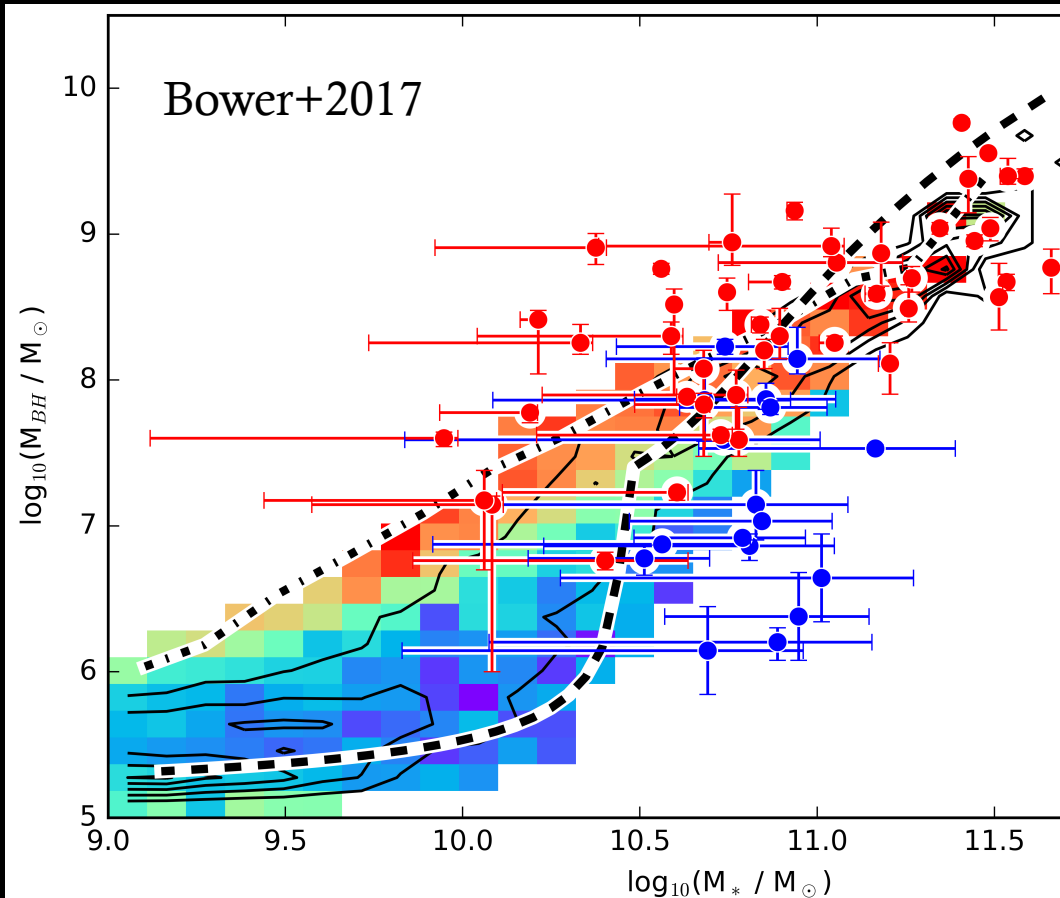


# Why I keep asking Joop Schaye again and again...

$$\text{Bondi accretion rate} = 4\pi G^2 M_{\text{BH}}^2 \rho / c_s^3$$

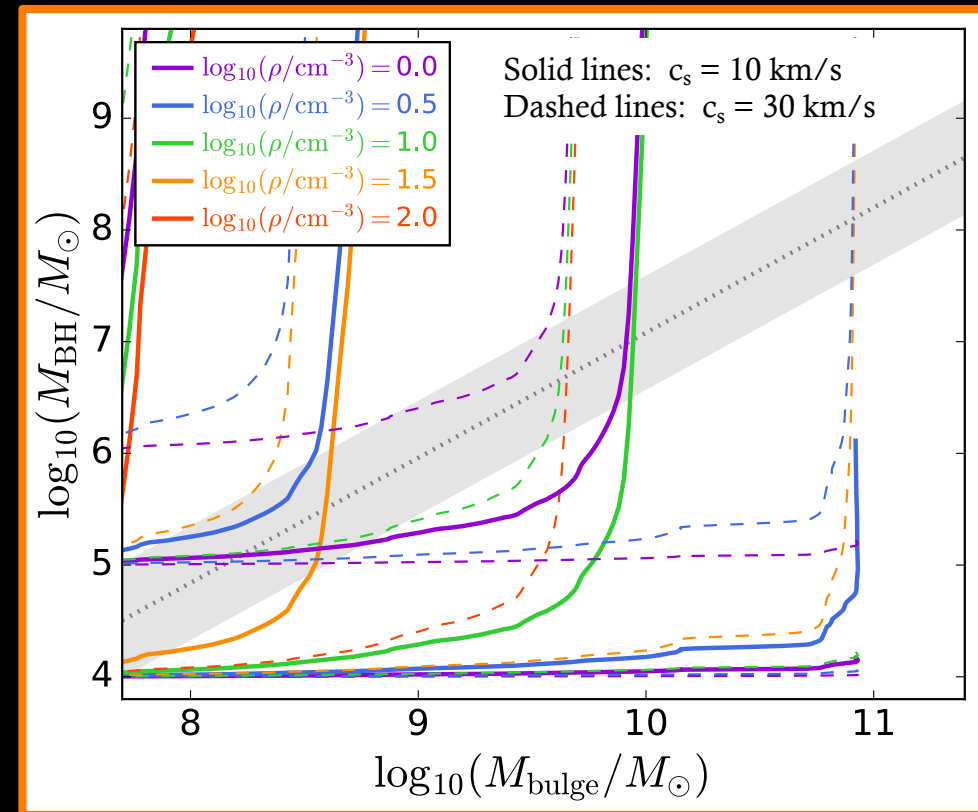
$$\rightarrow \text{Divergence timescale} = c_s^3 / (4\pi G^2 M_{\text{seed}} \rho)$$

EAGLE simulation:  
stellar feedback suppresses early BH growth?



→ BONDI can suppress early BH growth even with continuous gas supply!

→ Transition depends on  $c_s$ ,  $M_{\text{seed}}$ ,  $\rho$ , and normalization



# Cosmological baryon transfer in the Simba simulations

Borrow, Anglés-Alcázar & Davé (2019)

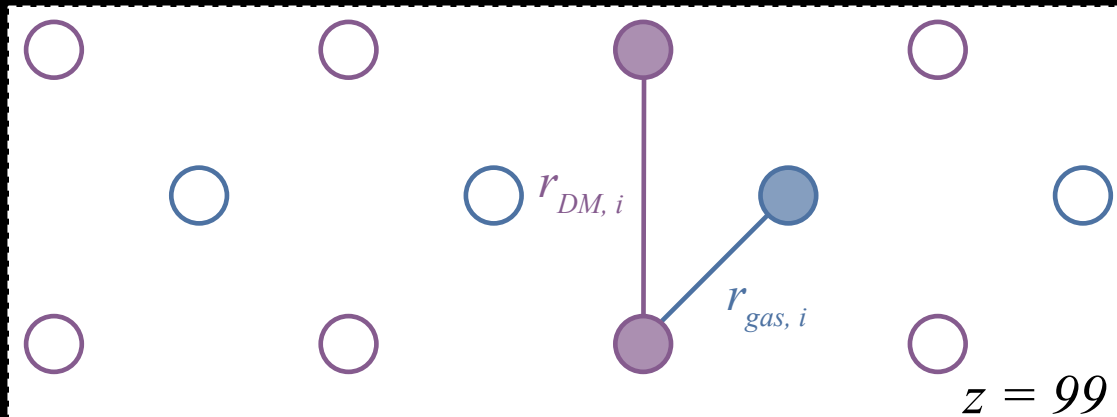


The “Spread” Metric

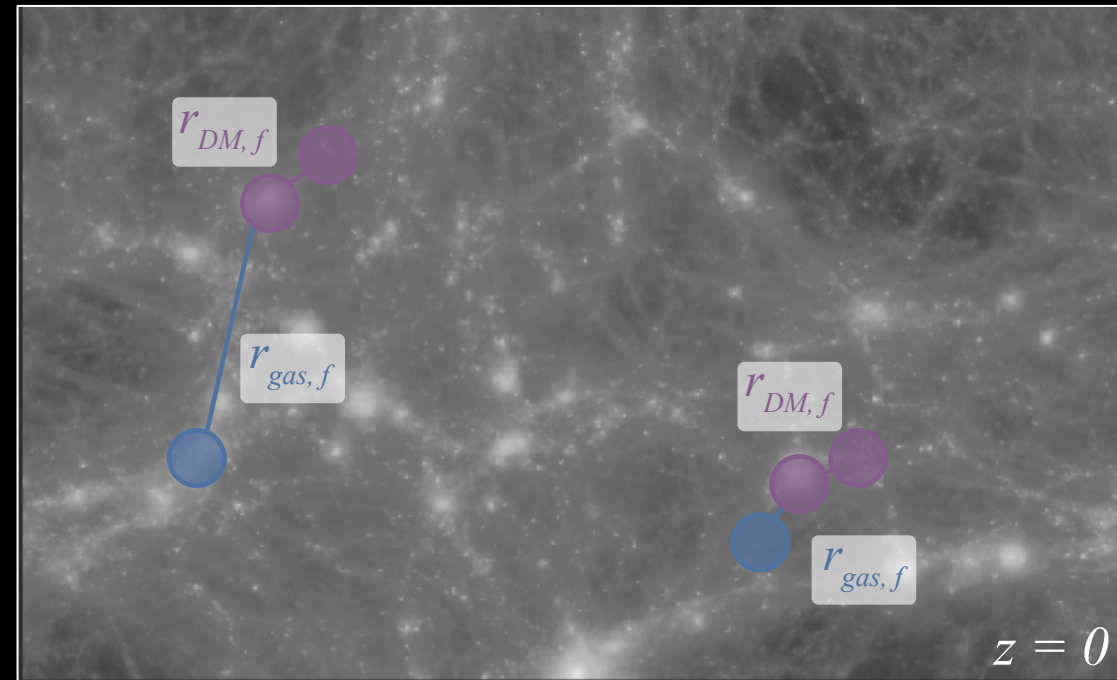
→ Quantify relative motion between baryons and dark matter

Distance to nearest dark matter particle neighbor at:

Initial conditions (z=99)

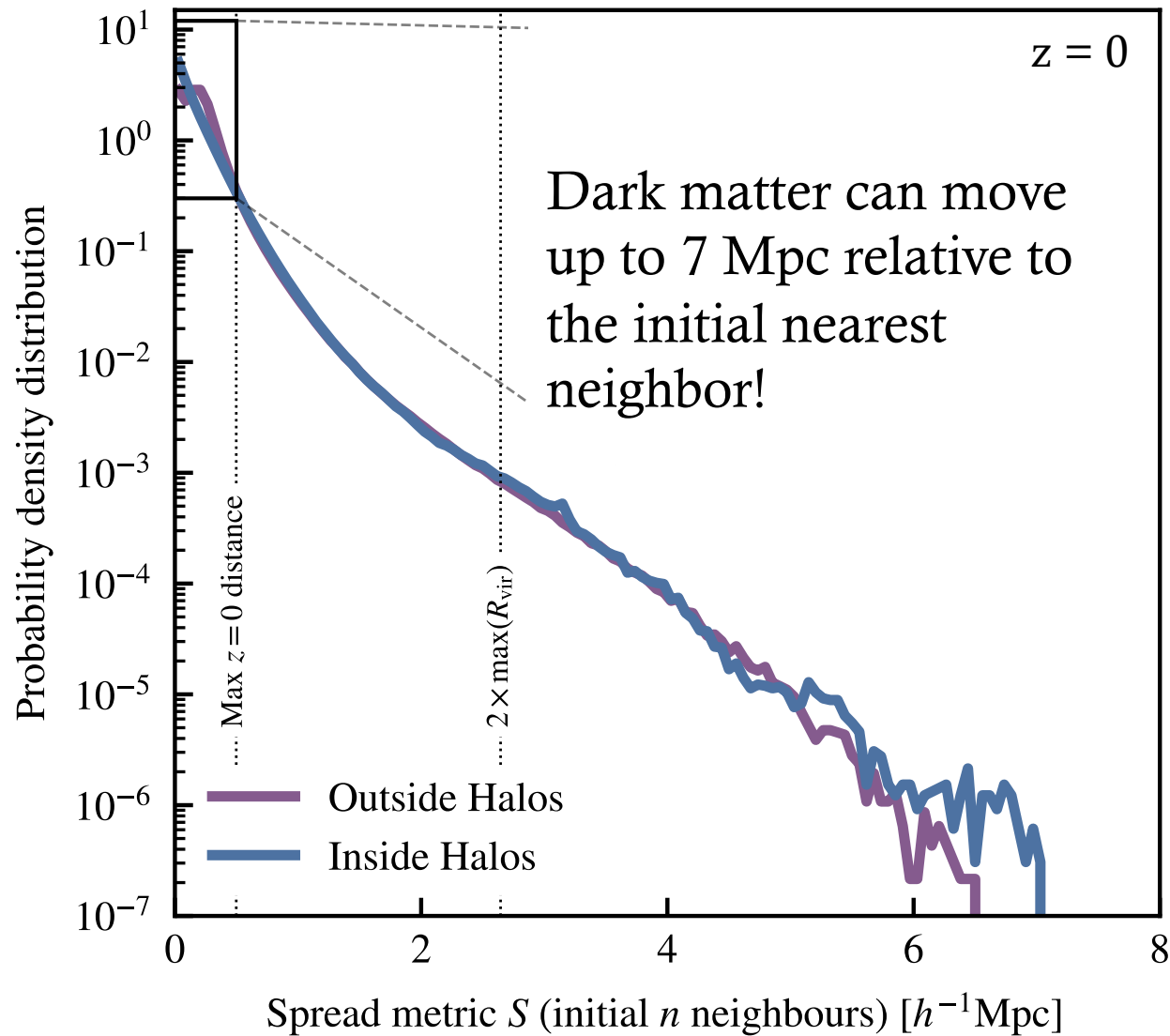


Present day (z=0)

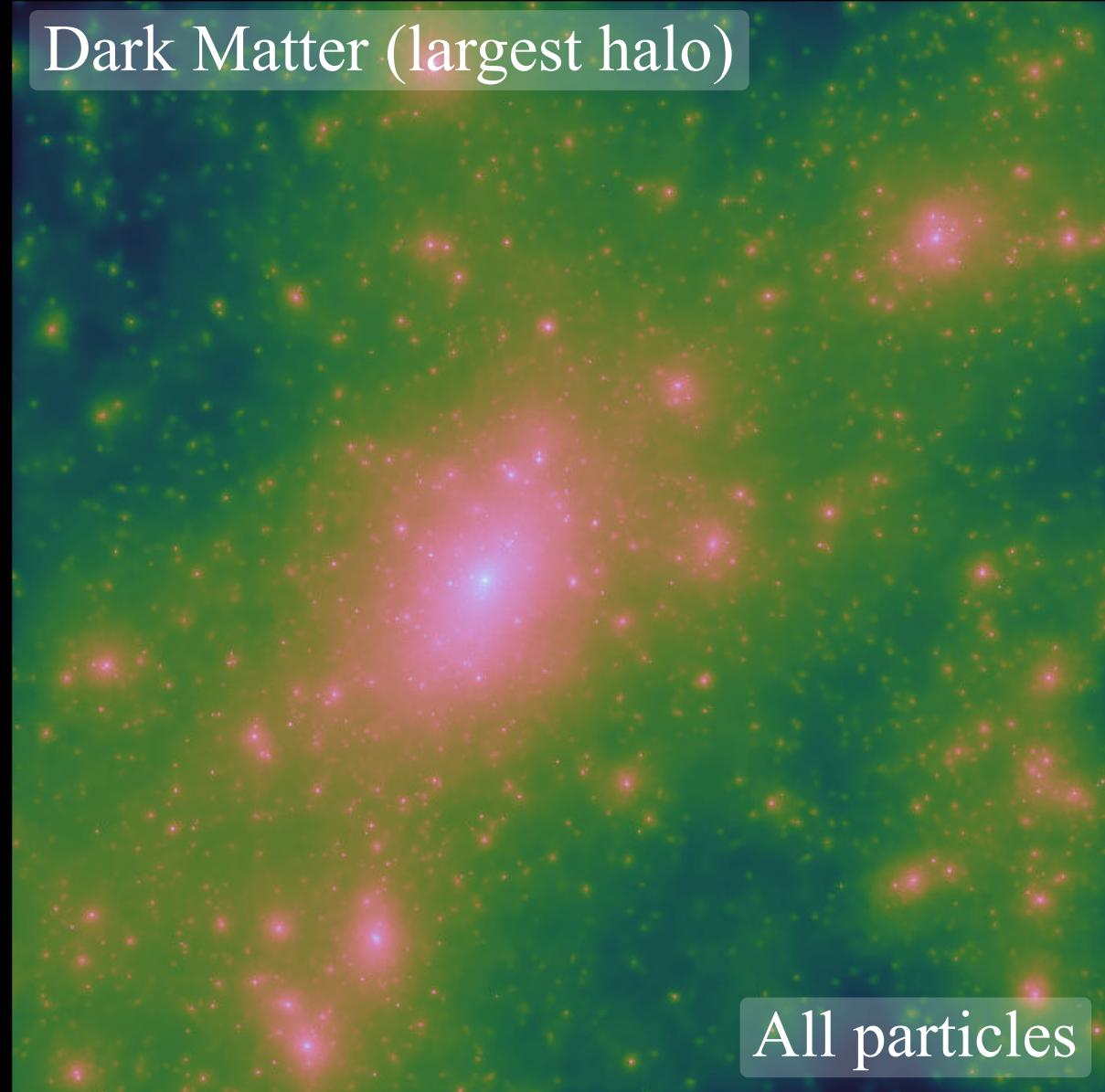


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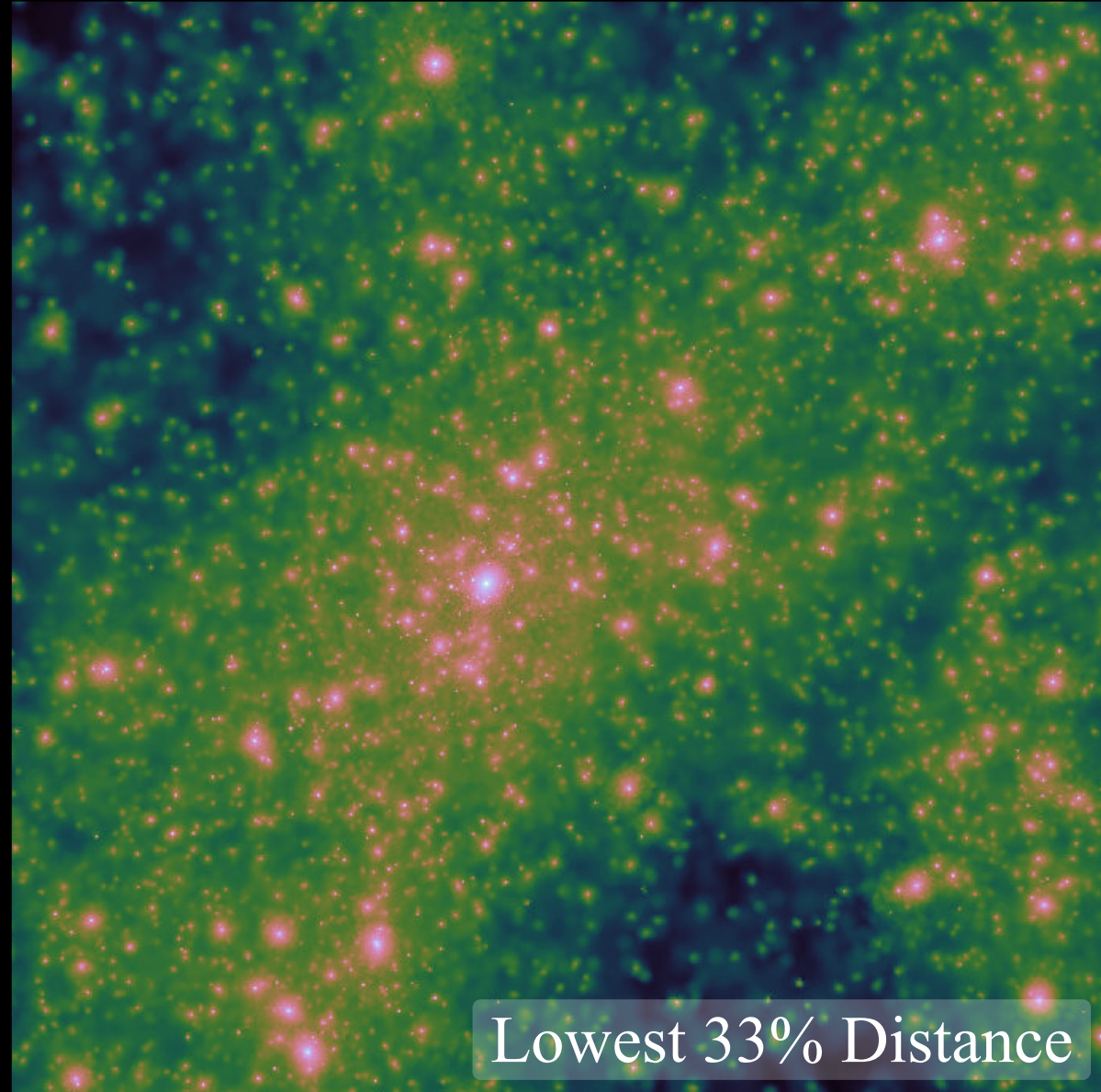
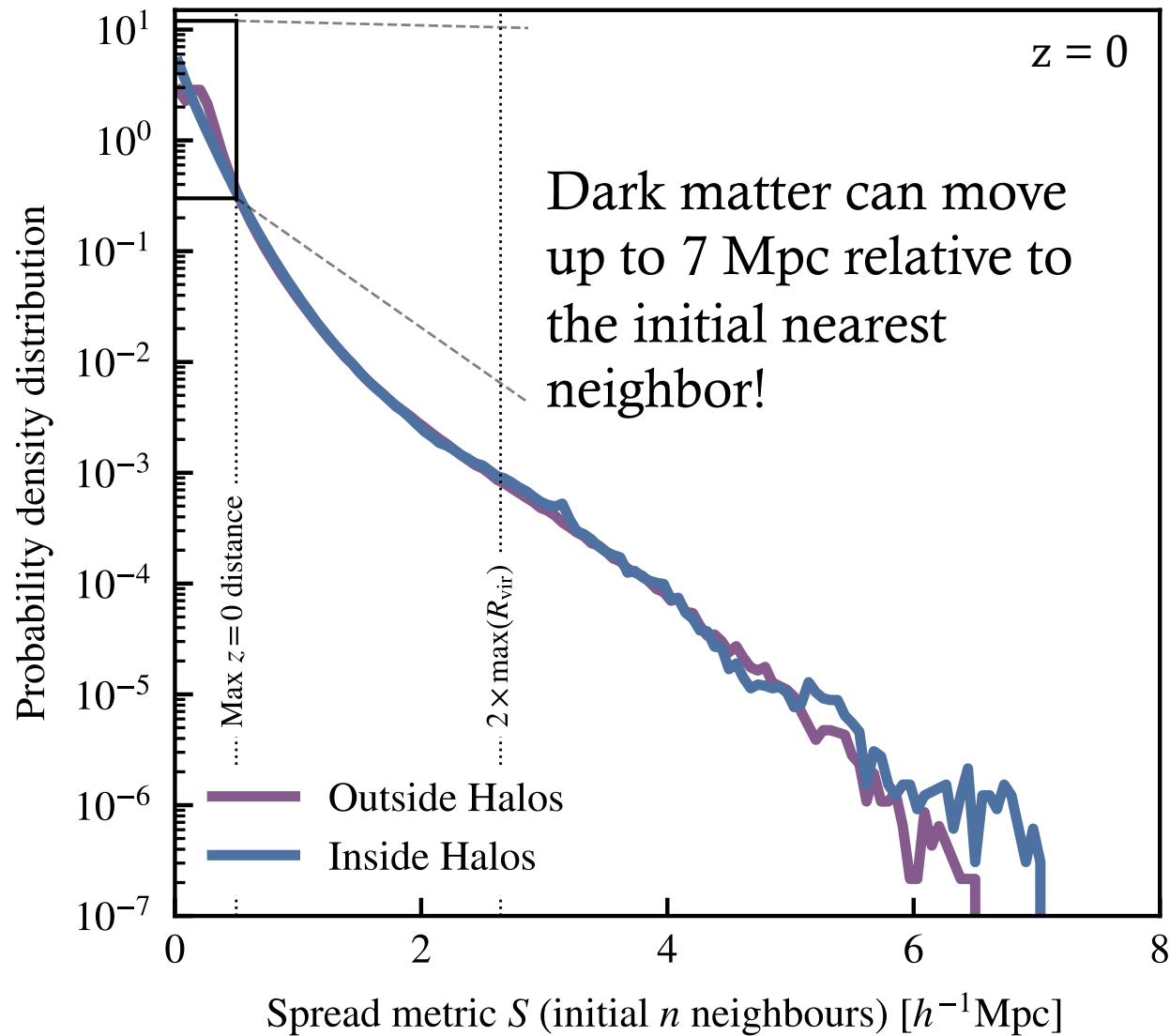


Dark Matter (largest halo)



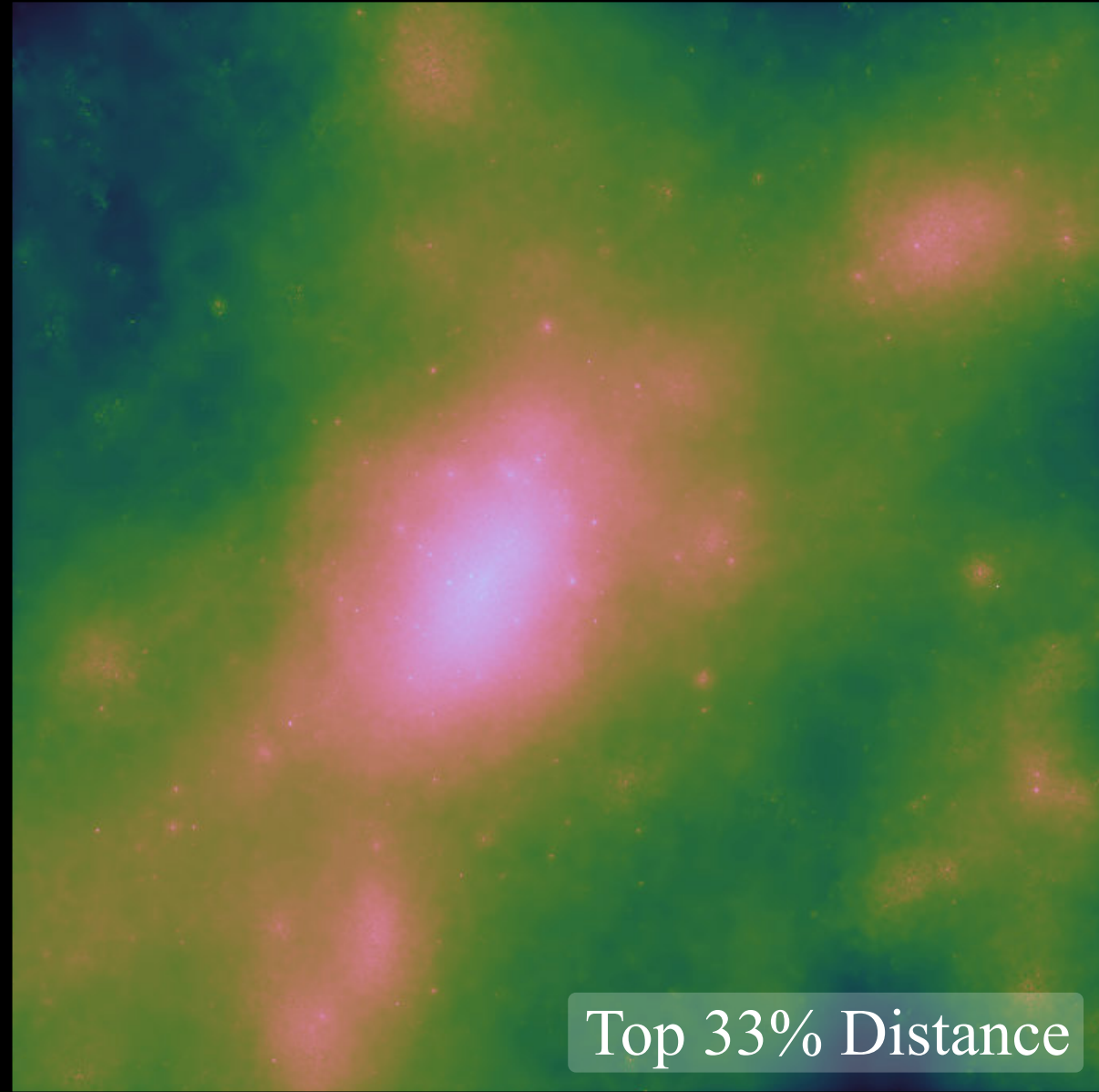
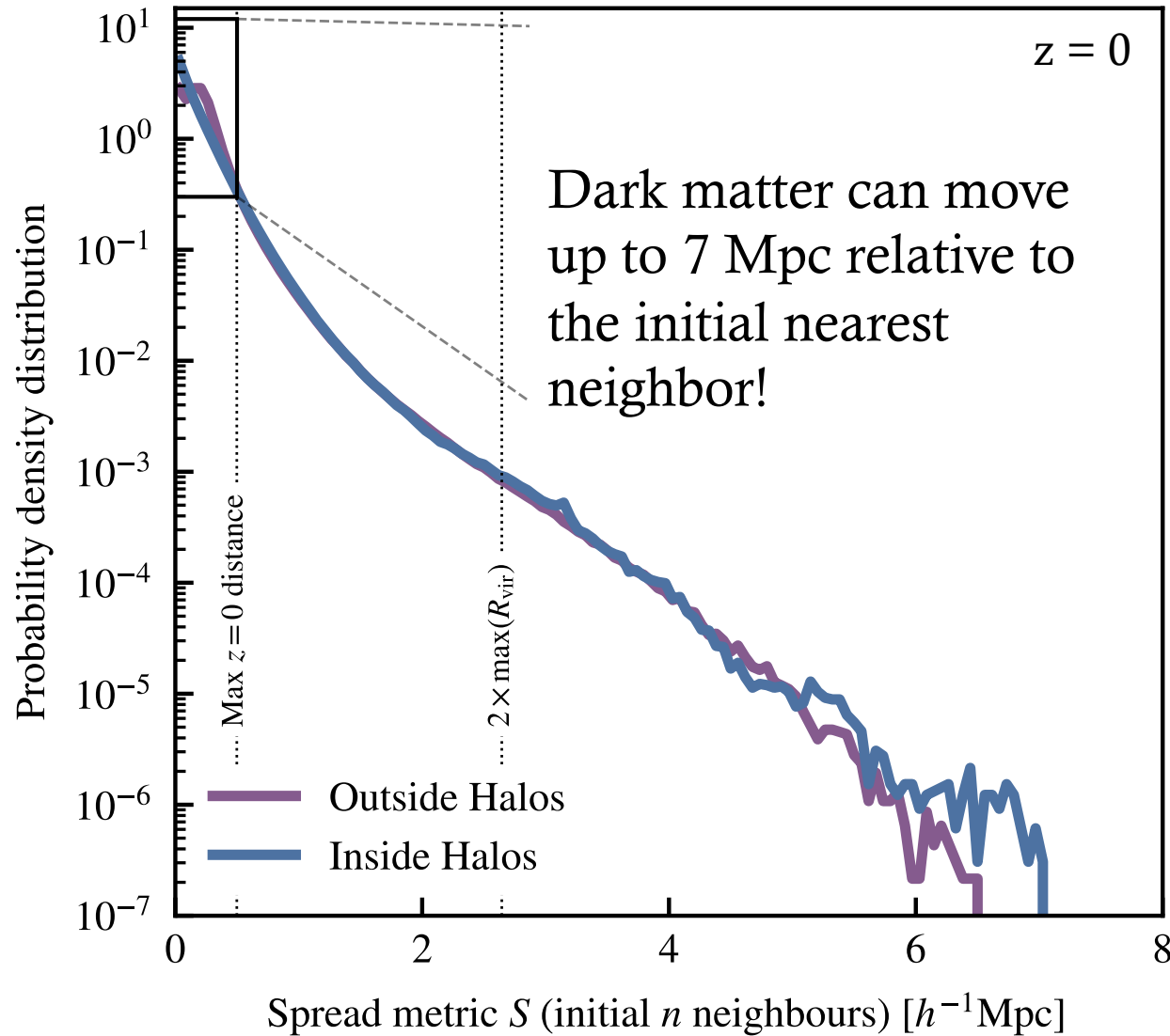
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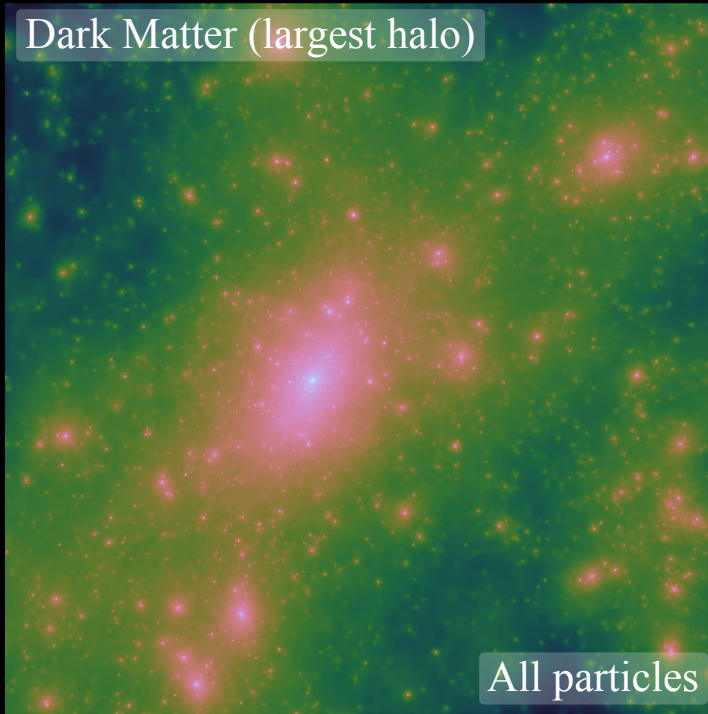
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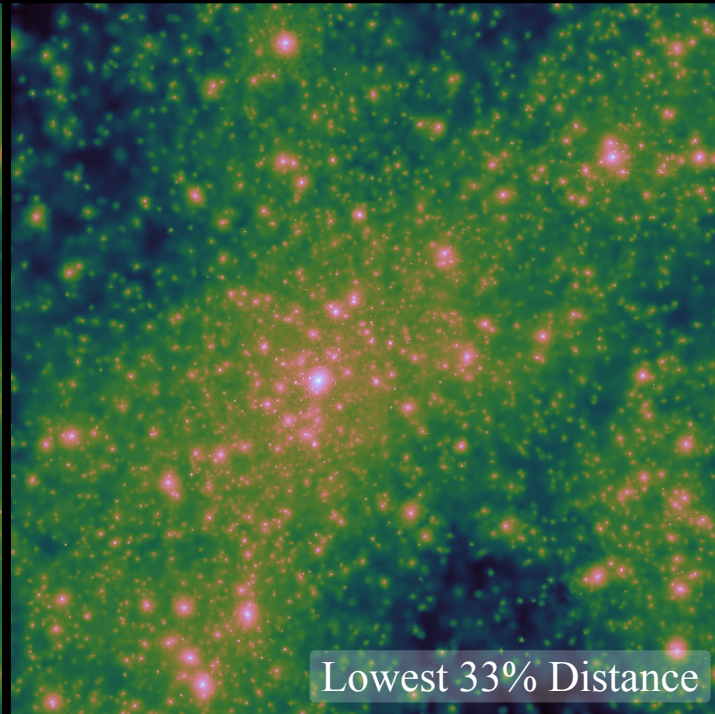




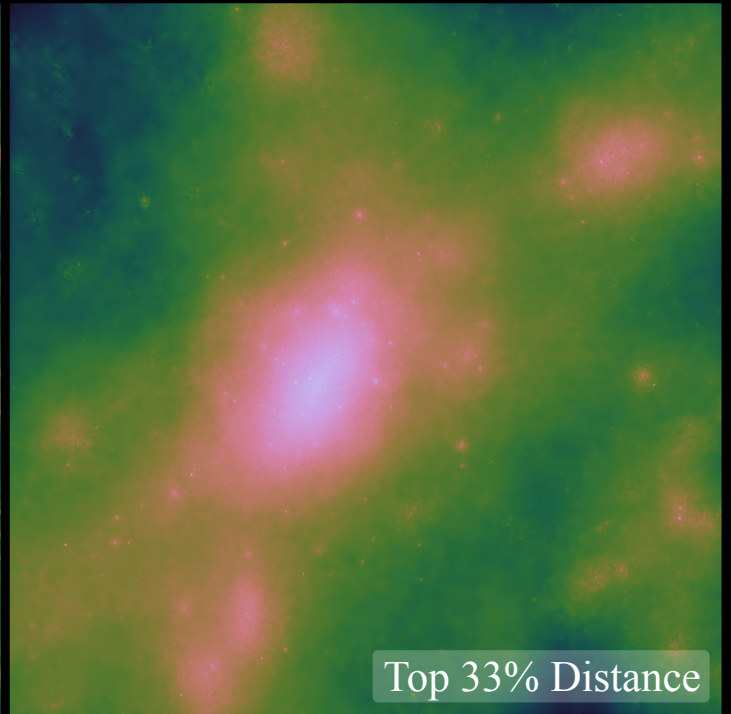
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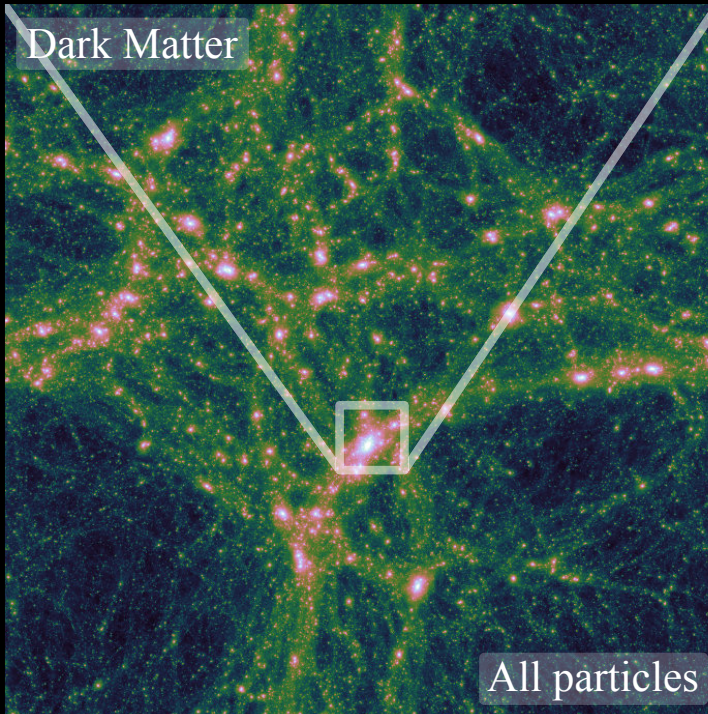


Lowest 33% Distance

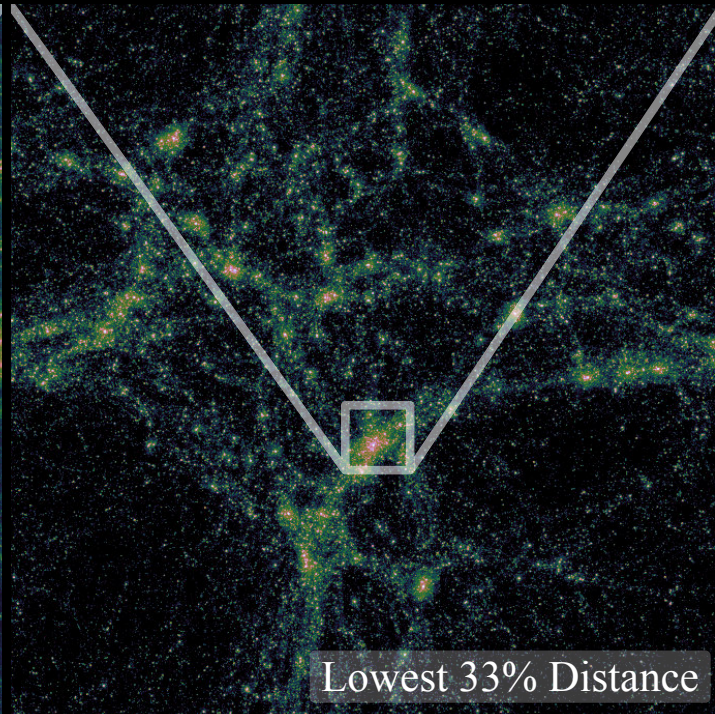


Top 33% Distance

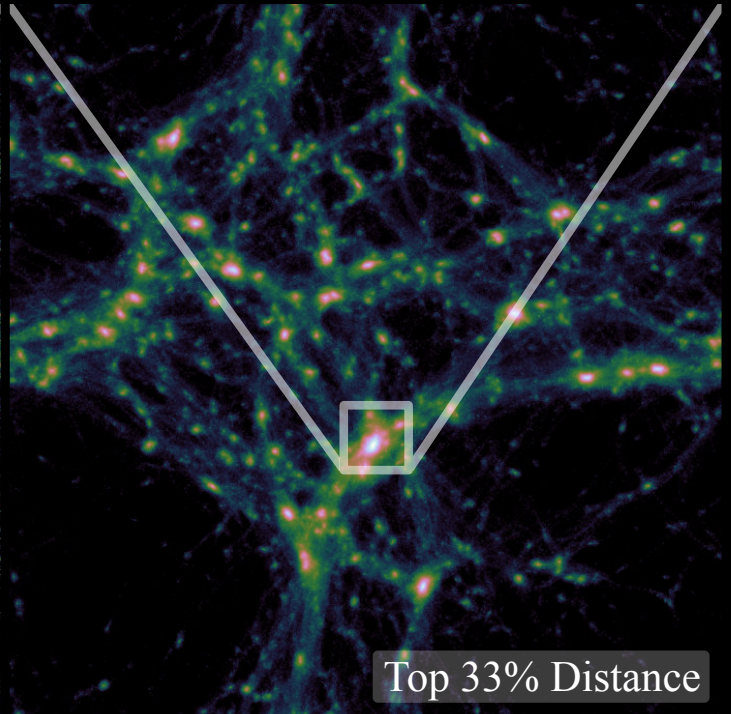
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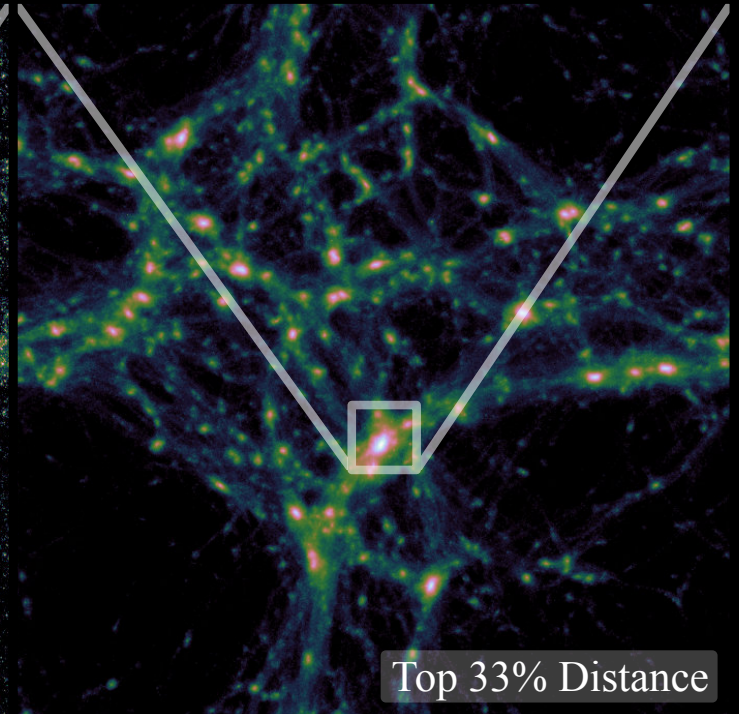
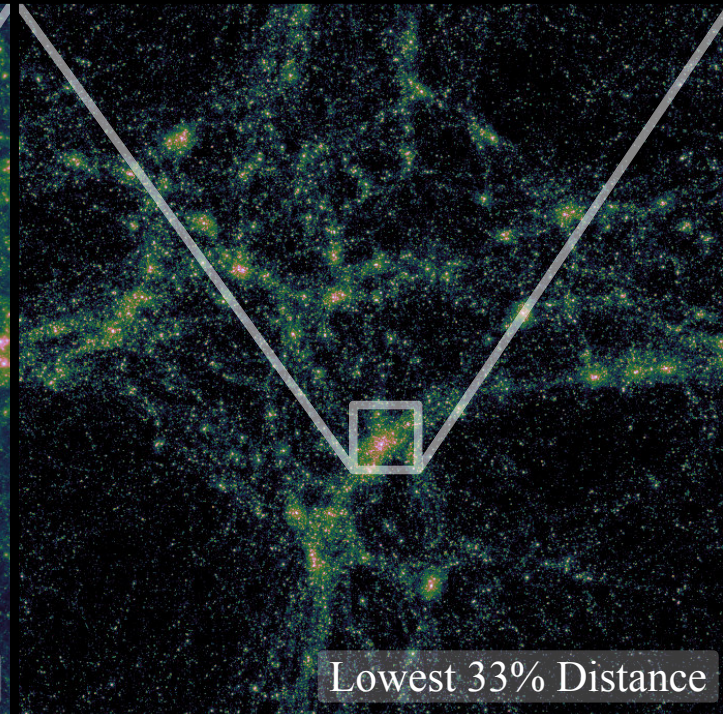
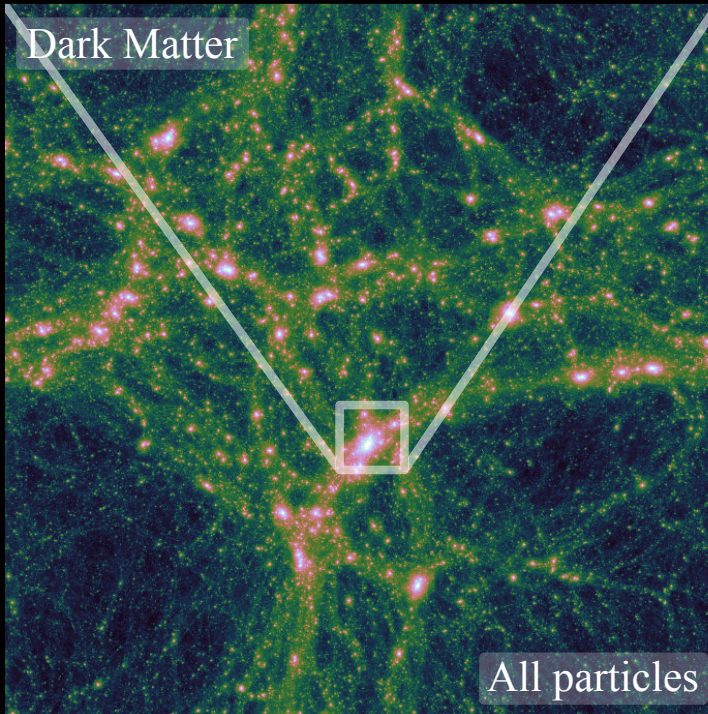


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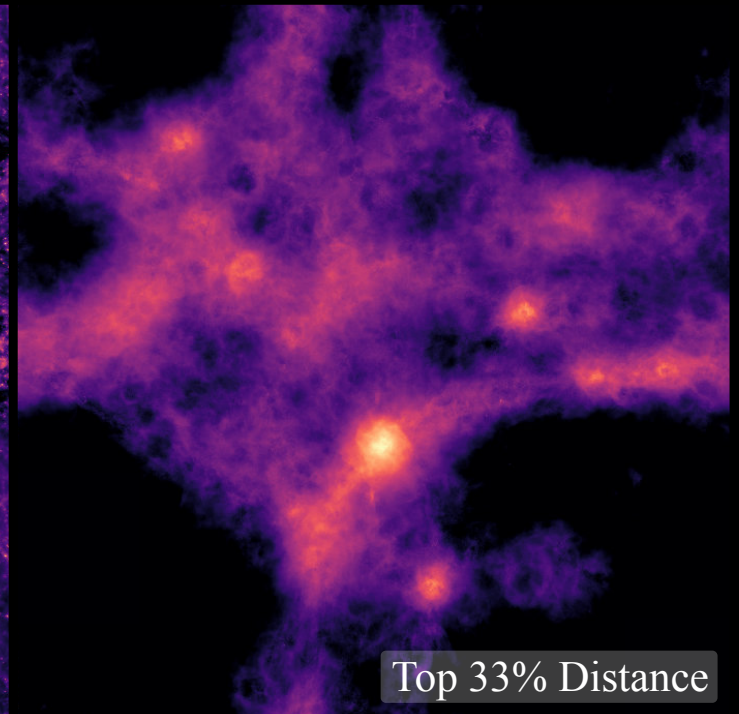
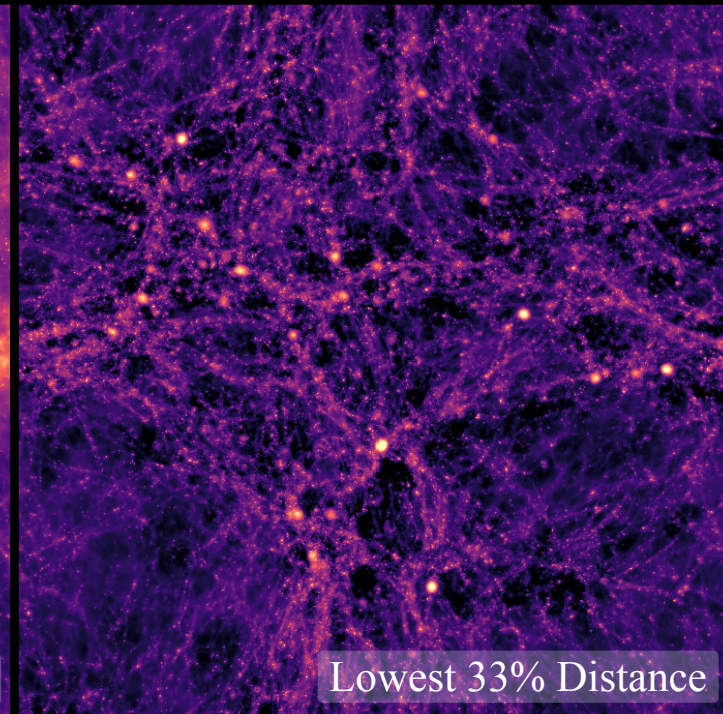
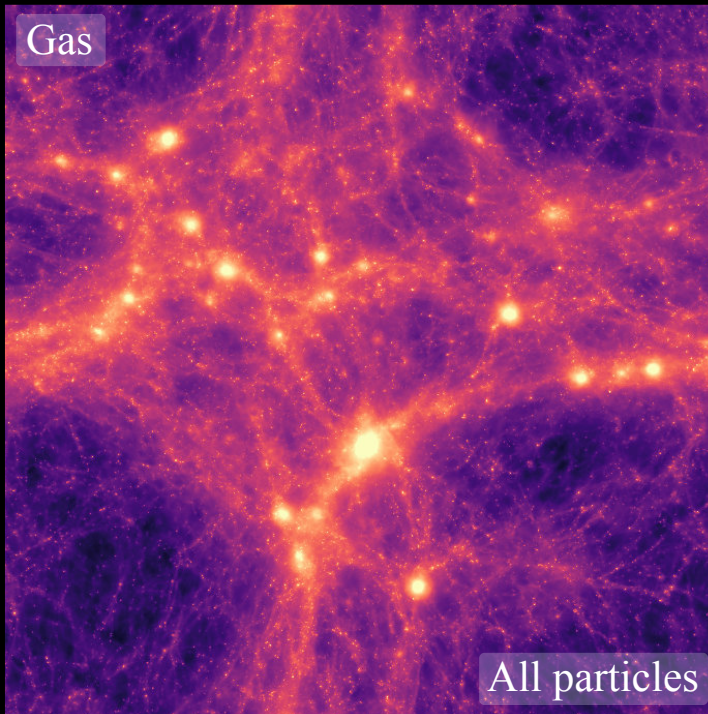


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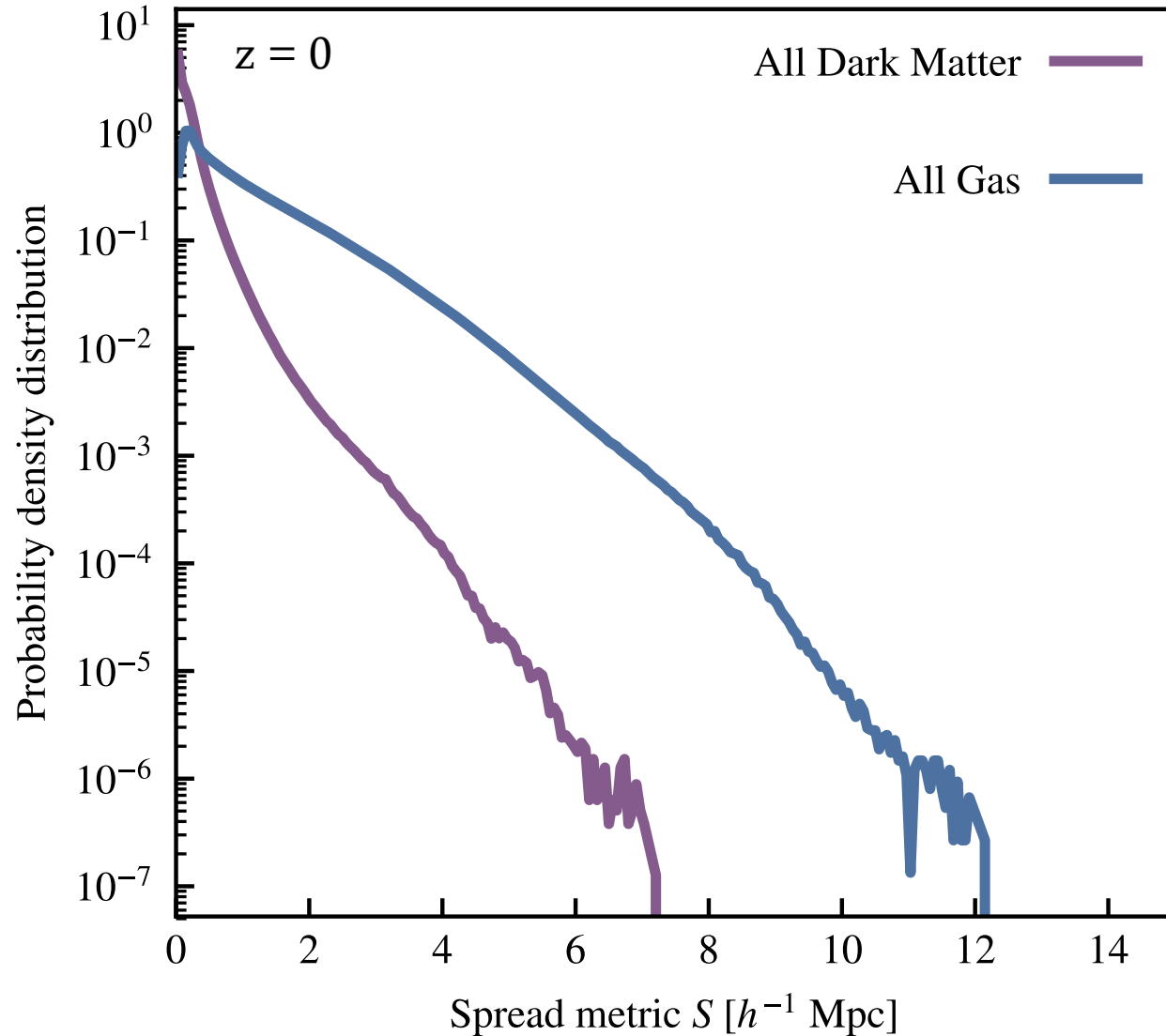


Gas



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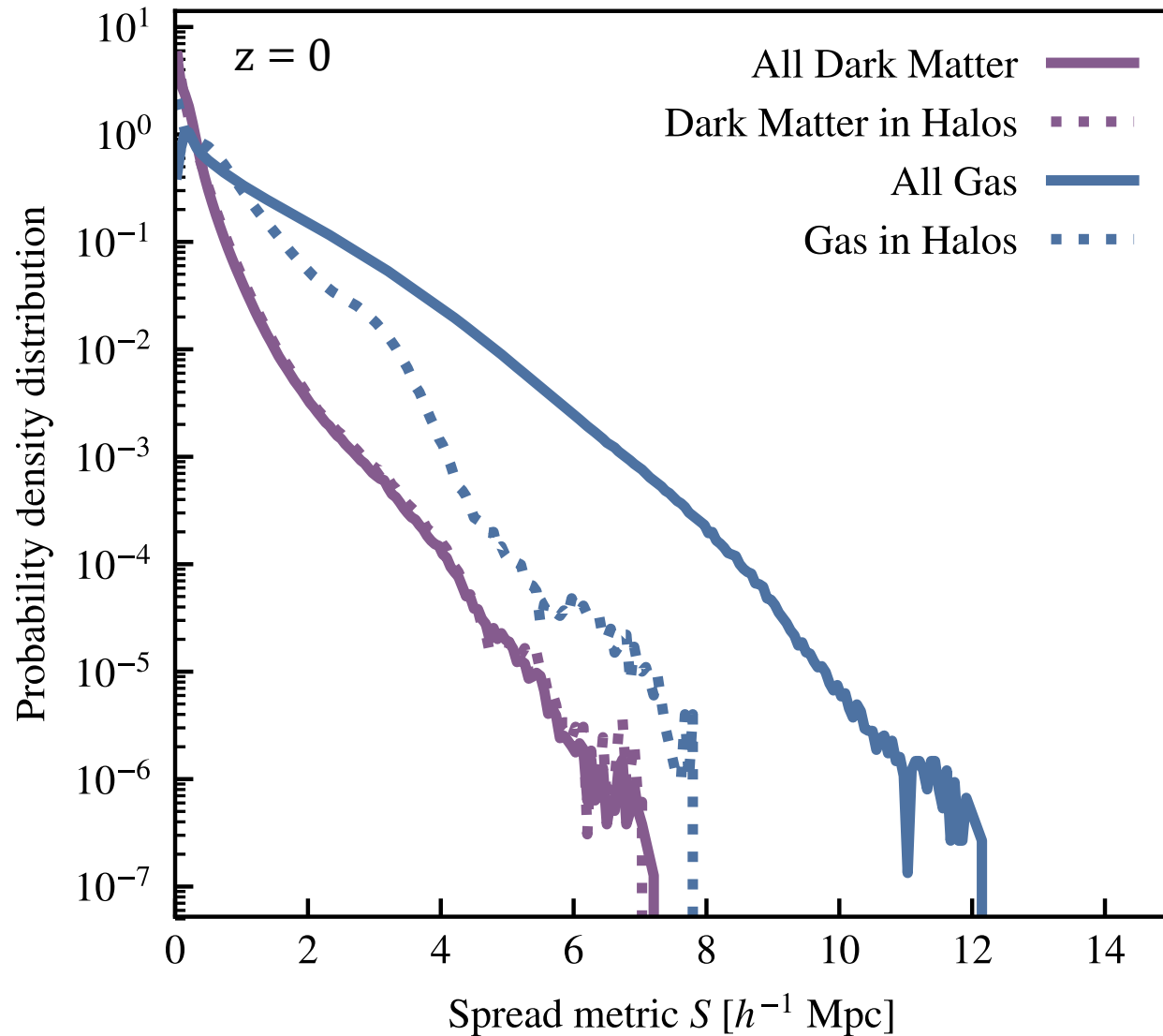


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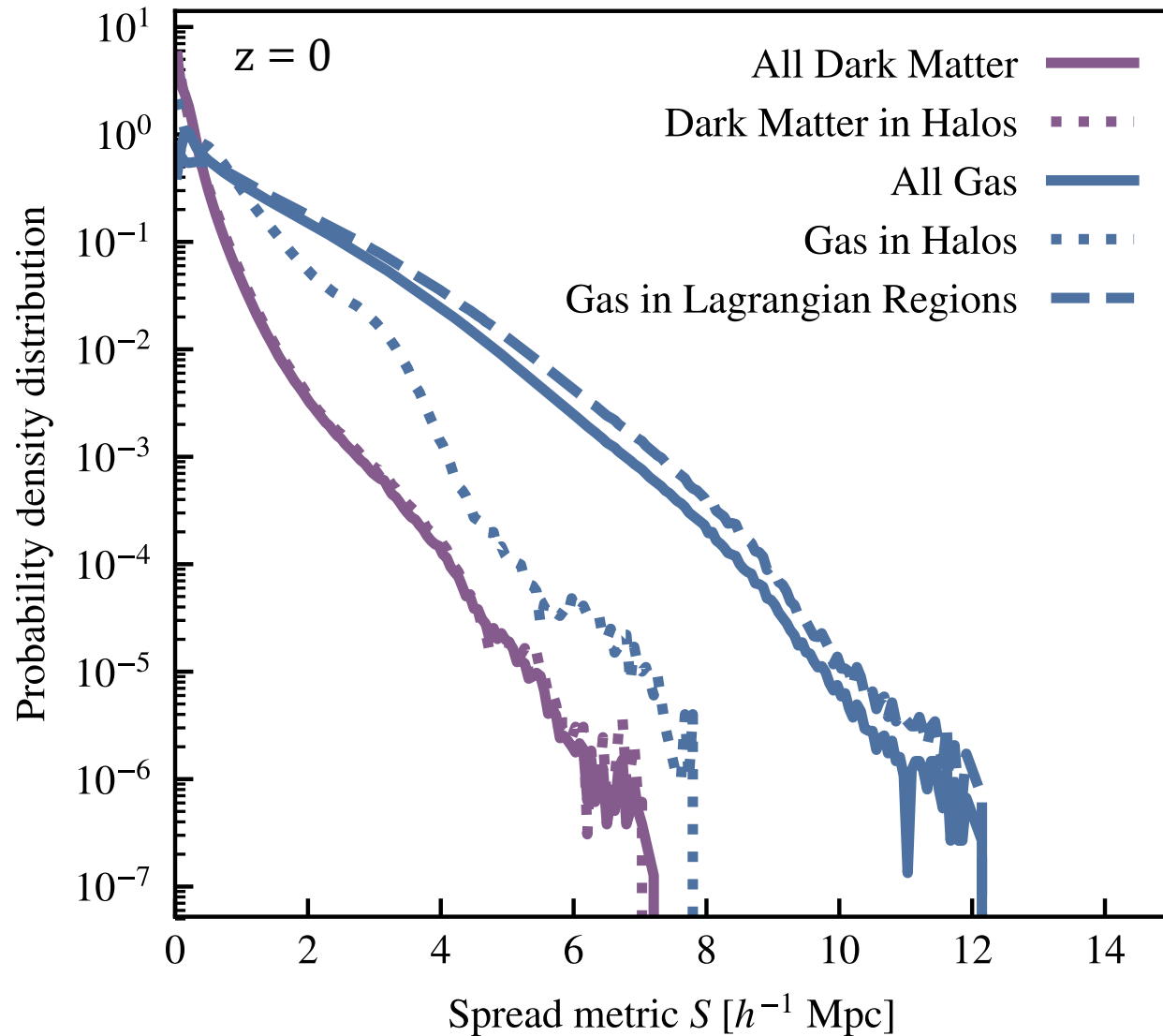
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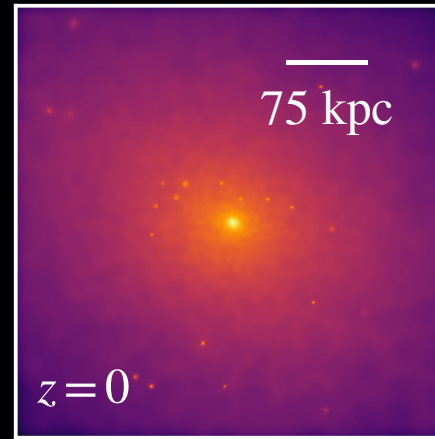
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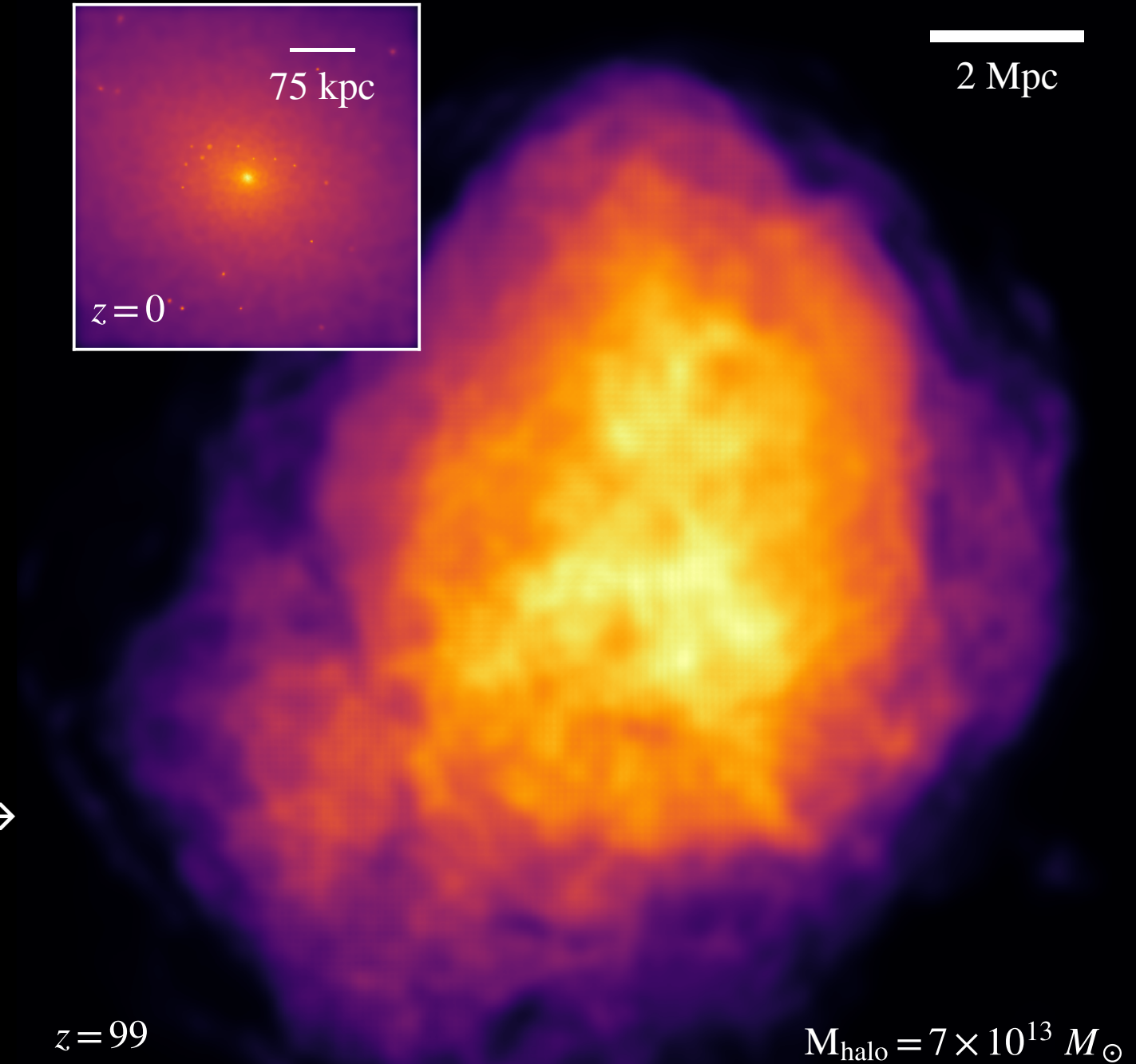
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Where does the gas that ends up in halos come from?

Dark matter halo →



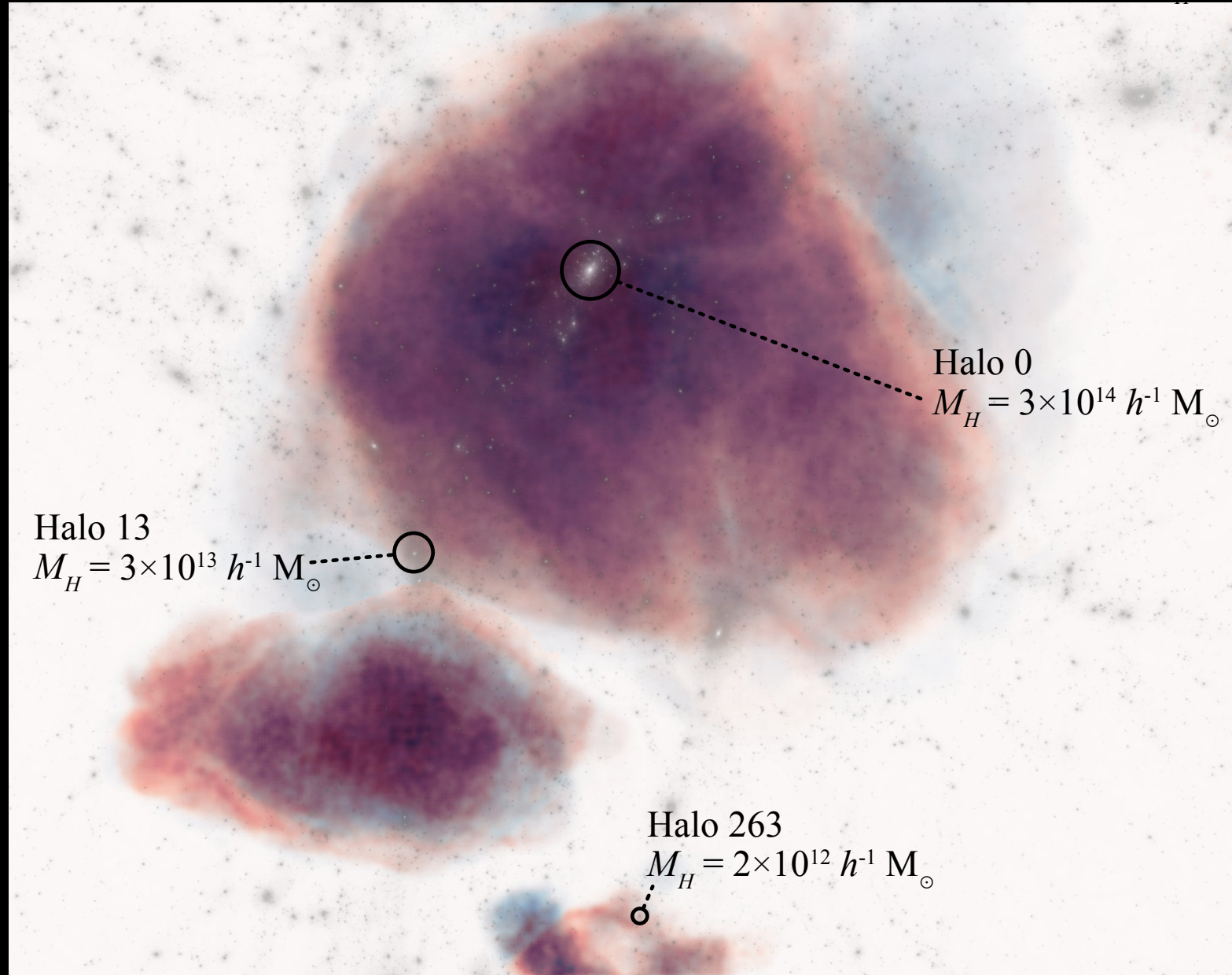
Lagrangian region →



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Spatial distribution of gas at the initial conditions

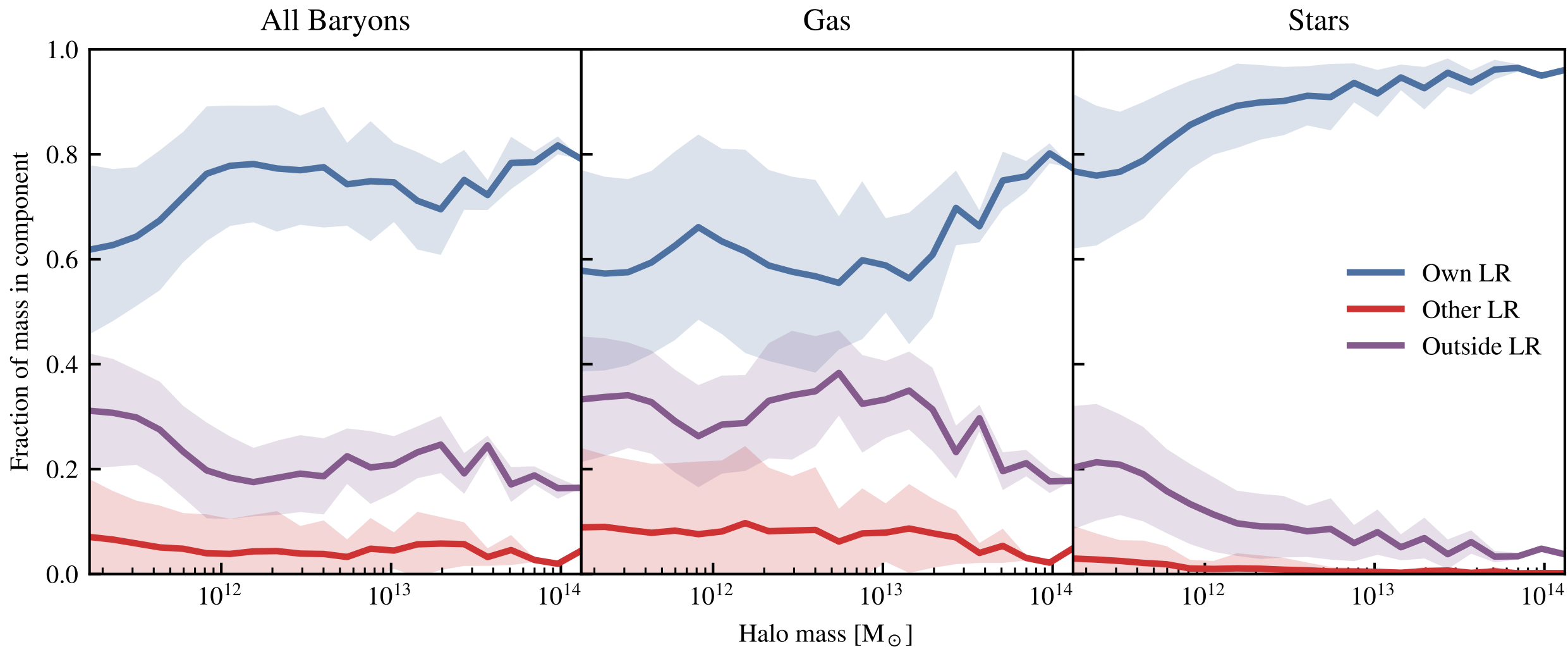
Particles in halo at  $z=0$  ■  
Particles in LR at  $z=99$  ■



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→ 60% of halo gas originates from its Lagrangian region (but halos retain only 20-30% of the original LR gas)

→ Inter-Lagrangian transfer provides 10% of halo gas at  $z=0$

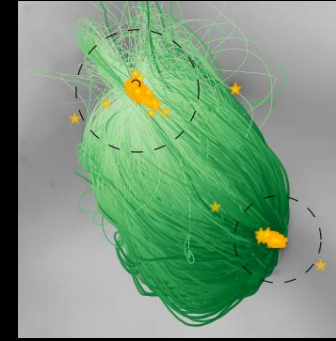




## 1) FIRE predicts large mass-loading in low-mass galaxies

- Most stars form out of wind-recycled gas
- Inter-galactic transfer of gas from satellites important for galaxy assembly and CGM composition

**Anglés-Alcázar+2017b, Hafen+2019a,b, Muratov+2015,2017**



## 2) Cosmological baryon transfer in the Simba simulations

- Spread metric quantifies global effect of feedback and separates hierarchy
- 40% of baryons move  $> 1$  Mpc relative to the dark matter
- Inter-Lagrangian transfer can provide 10% of CGM gas at  $z=0$

**Davé+2019, Borrow+2019**

