

### Galaxy Formation Theory: Simulations and Semi-Analytic Models

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The  $\Lambda$ CDM theory of a universe dominated by dark energy and dark matter (the "Double Dark" standard cosmological model) is supported by a vast variety of observational data, and there is no convincing data known that disagrees with predictions of this theory. The goals of cosmology now are to discover the nature of the dark energy and dark matter, and to understand the formation of galaxies and clusters within the cosmic web gravitational backbone formed by the dark matter in our expanding universe with an increasing fraction of dark energy. This lecture will discuss the current state of the art in galaxy formation, and describe the successes and challenges for the best current  $\Lambda$ CDM models of the roles of baryonic physics and supermassive black holes in the formation of galaxies.

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Initial Conditions: WMAP5 cosmology

CMB + galaxy P(k) + Type Ia SNe  $\rightarrow$  $\Omega_{\Lambda}$ =0.72,  $\Omega_{\rm m}$ =0.28,  $\Omega_{\rm b}$ =0.046, H<sub>0</sub>=70 km/s/Mpc,  $\sigma_{8}$ =0.82

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Well-studied in Milky Way and nearby galaxies

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Star Formation Rate Density (SFRD) vs. redshift (M<sub>☉</sub>/yr/Mpc<sup>3</sup>) - Madau plot

Stellar Mass Density (SMD) vs. redshift (M<sub>☉</sub>/Mpc<sup>3</sup>) - Dickinson plot

SMD should = integrated SFRD:  $\rho_*(t) = \int_0^t dt \ d\rho_*/dt$ 

Extragalactic Background Light (EBL) - constrains integrated SFRD

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SDSS clarified galaxy scaling relations, galaxy color bimodality COMBO-17, DEEP, COSMOS surveys measuring star formation rates, etc.

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- Identified Galaxy Zoo at z=2-3

Lyman break galaxies, Lyman alpha emitters, Distant red galaxies, Active Galactic Nuclei, Damped Lyman alpha systems, Submillimeter galaxies

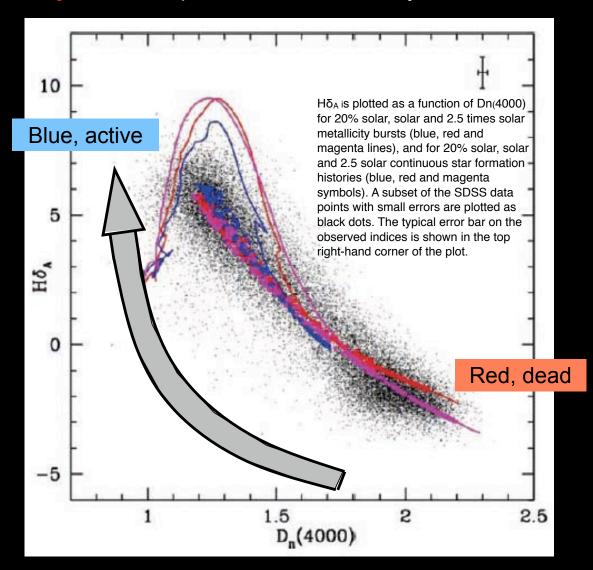
However: Evolutionary sequence unclear, which (if any) are progenitors of typical galaxies like the Milky Way?

with thanks to Eric Gawiser

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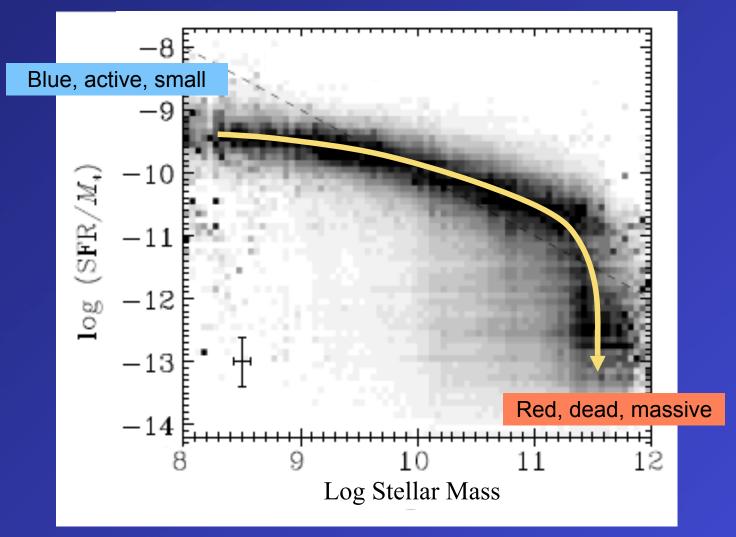
The Star-Forming Sequence in Stellar Population Indices



Kauffmann et al. 2003

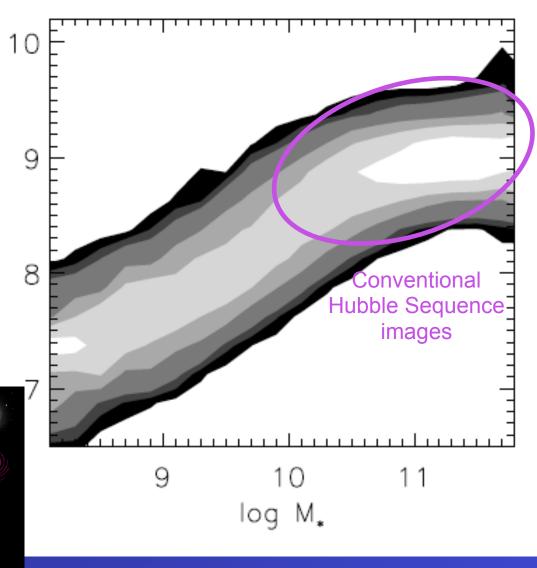
### The star-forming sequence is also a mass sequence

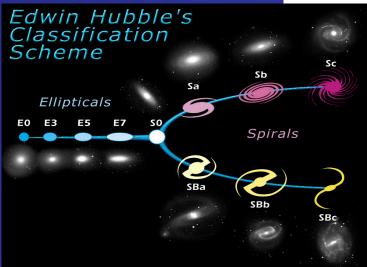
Specific SFR based on absorption-corrected GALEX UV flux



Other trends vs. stellar mass --

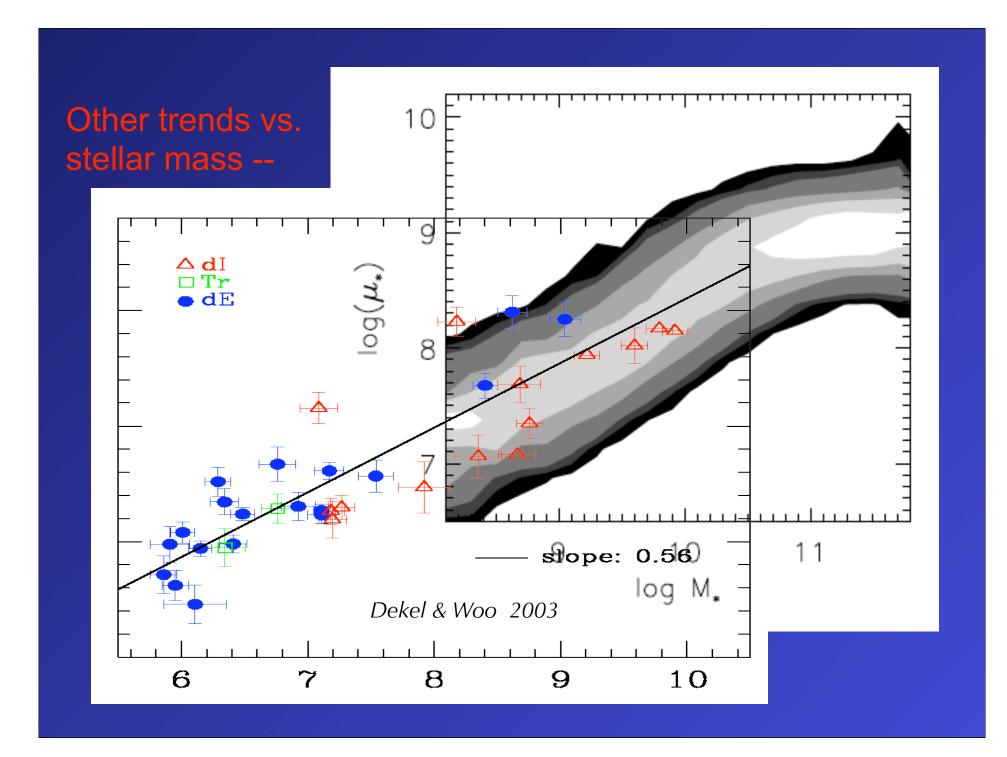
Surface mass density





 $\log(\mu_{\star})$ 

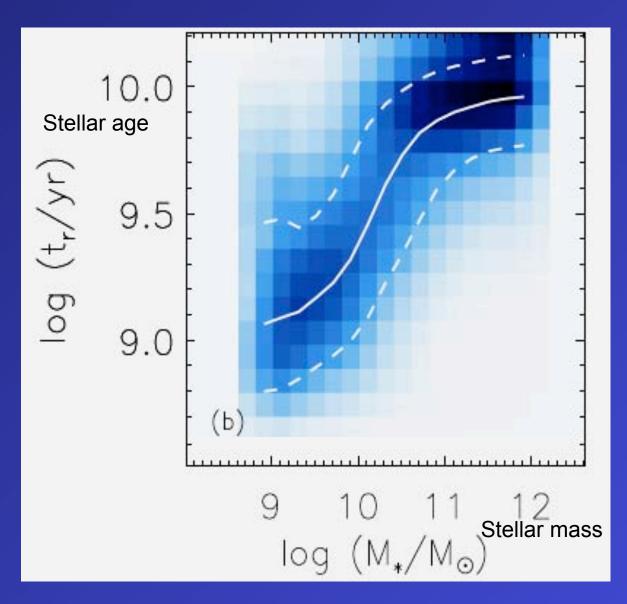
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Mean stellar age

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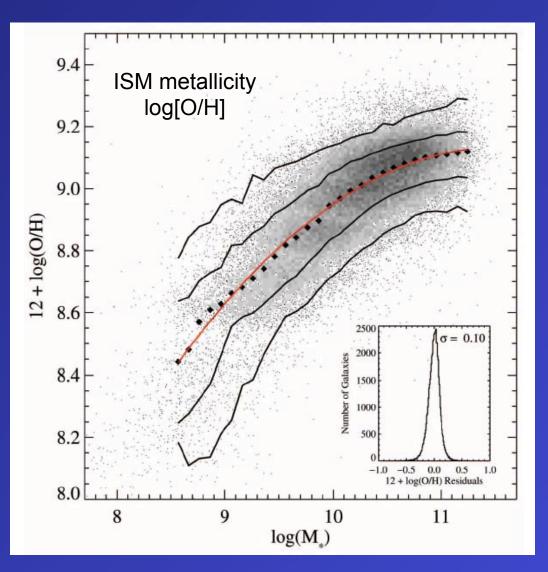


Gallazzi et al. 2005: Sloan Survey

### Other trends vs. stellar mass --

Interstellar gas metallicity

Stars in more massive galaxies are more metal rich.



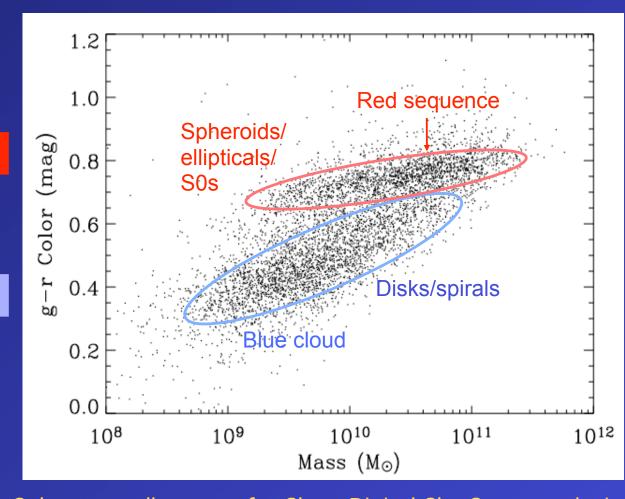
Tremonti et al. 2004: Sloan Survey

### Color bimodality seen in Sloan galaxies

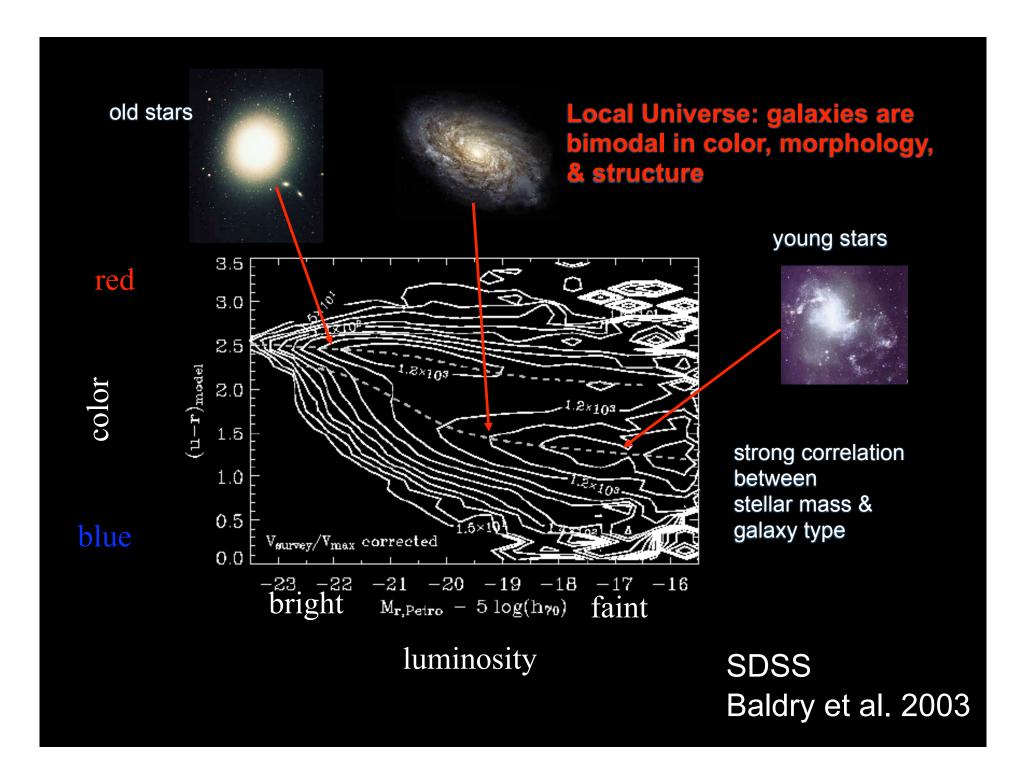
"Red-and dead" ellipticals/S0s populate the red sequence Star-forming blue, disky galaxies populate the "blue cloud"

Red

Blue



Color vs. stellar mass for Sloan Digital Sky Survey galaxies



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### The AEGIS Survey...

...is unlocking the secrets of galaxy and large-scale structure formation over the last 9 billion years.



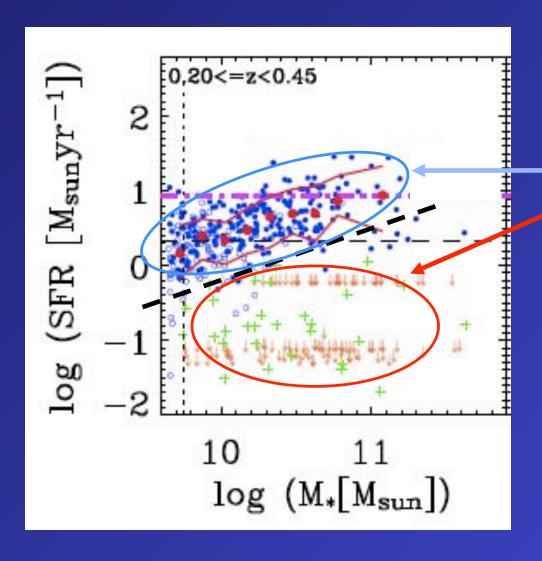






**EGS Map** 

### Star-formation rate from AEGIS



Galaxies are in two groups:

Blue: star-forming

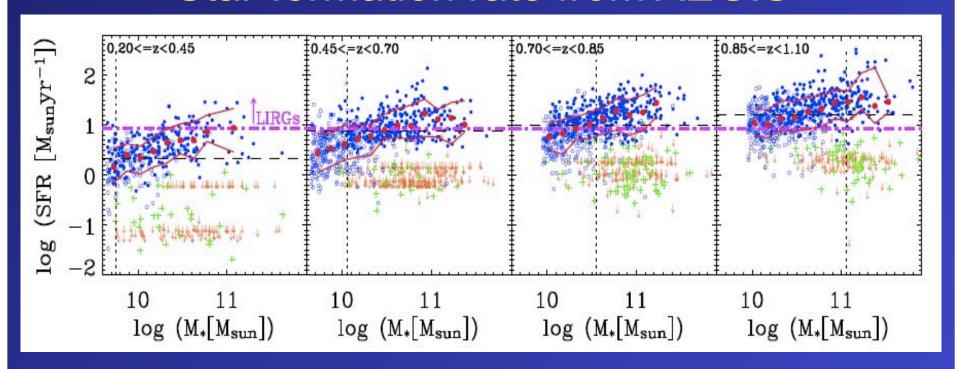
Red: quenched

For blue galaxies, star formation rate (SFR) has rms scatter of only:

± 0.3 dex

Noeske et al. 2007

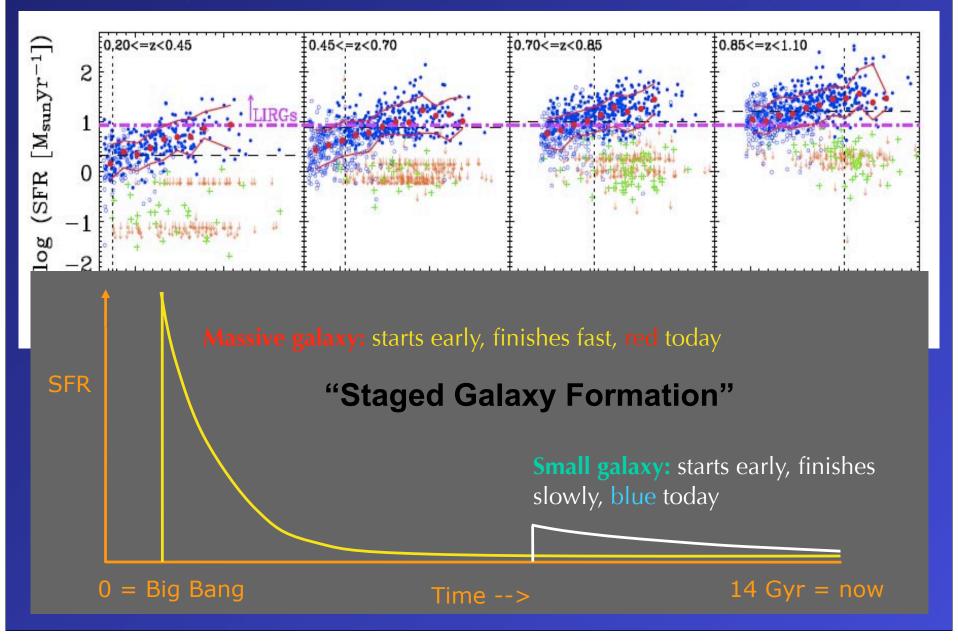
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### Star-forming "main sequence": (Noeske et al. 2007)

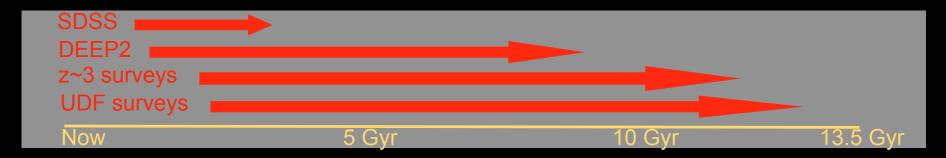
- Star formation declines exponentially in each galaxy
- Bigger galaxies turn on sooner and decay faster
- Downsizing!

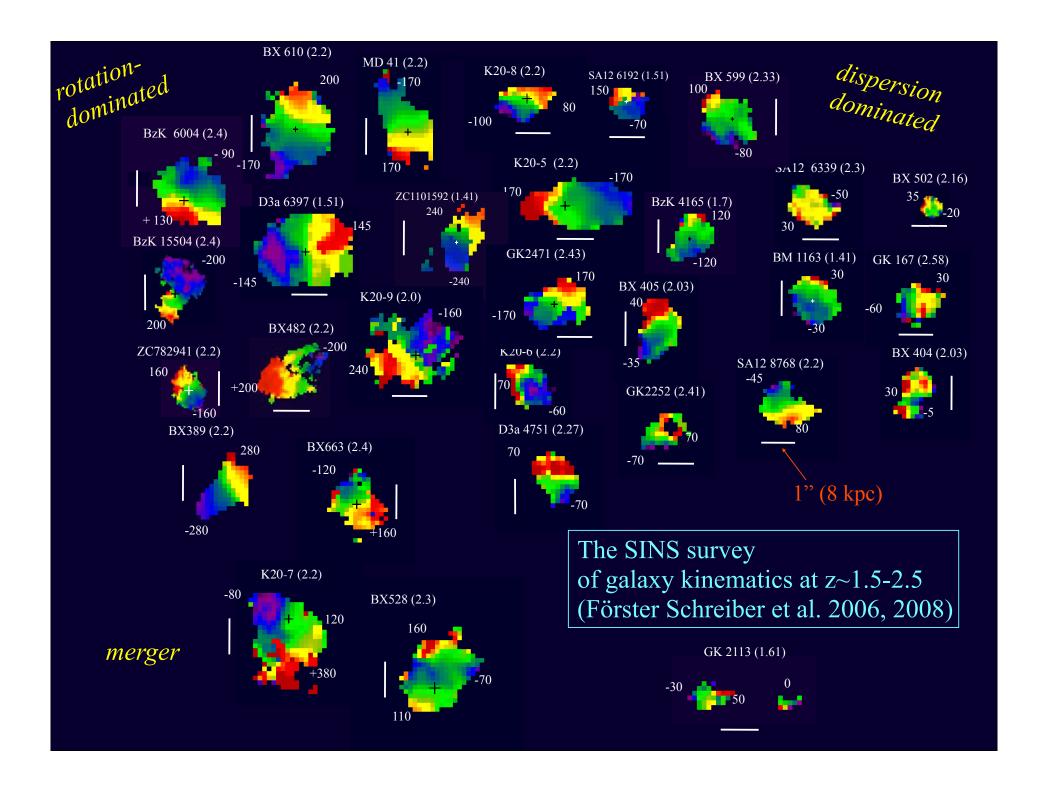
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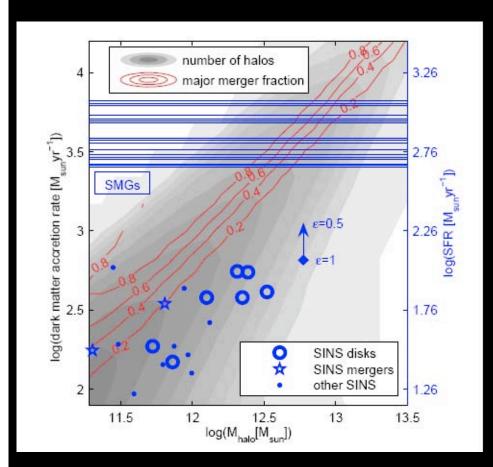
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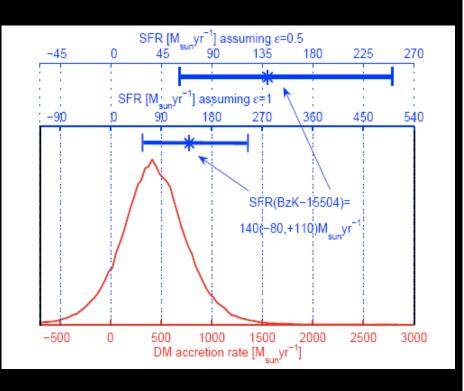
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### The large star formation rates are consistent with CDM simulations (even) without (major) mergers





observed SFR can be accounted for by DM simulations for

• SFR ~ 
$$\left(\frac{\varepsilon_{SFR}}{0.5}\right) \left(\frac{b}{0.18}\right) \left(\stackrel{\bullet}{M}_{dm}\right)_{z,M}$$

- Genel et al. 2008, astro-ph 0808.0194, Dekel et al. 2008
- mostly gaseous accretion

cold flow regime

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#### Better models

- Cosmology & clustering of Dark Matter are understood: "GRAVITY BACKBONE"
- Gas and star-formation are still a challenge; semi-analytic models are advancing

### **Recent Progress in Simulations**

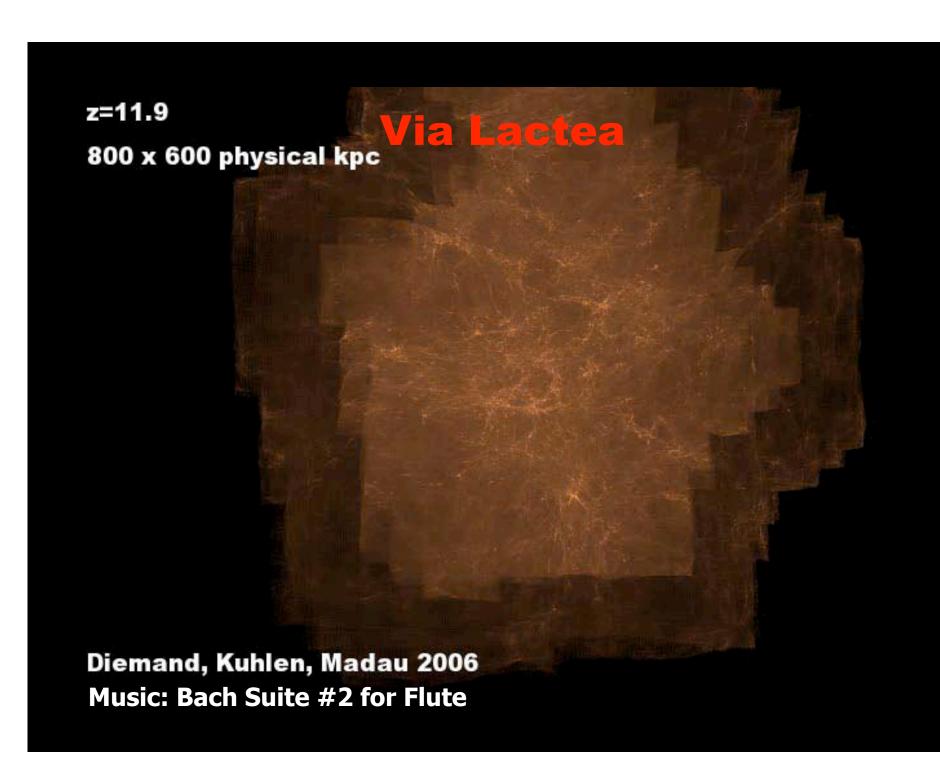
Improvements in resolution in DM simulations Diemand, Madau, Zemp; Springel, Aquarius simulations, ...

Stream-fed galaxies form most of the stars in the universe Birnboim & Dekel 03+, Keres+05, Dekel+08

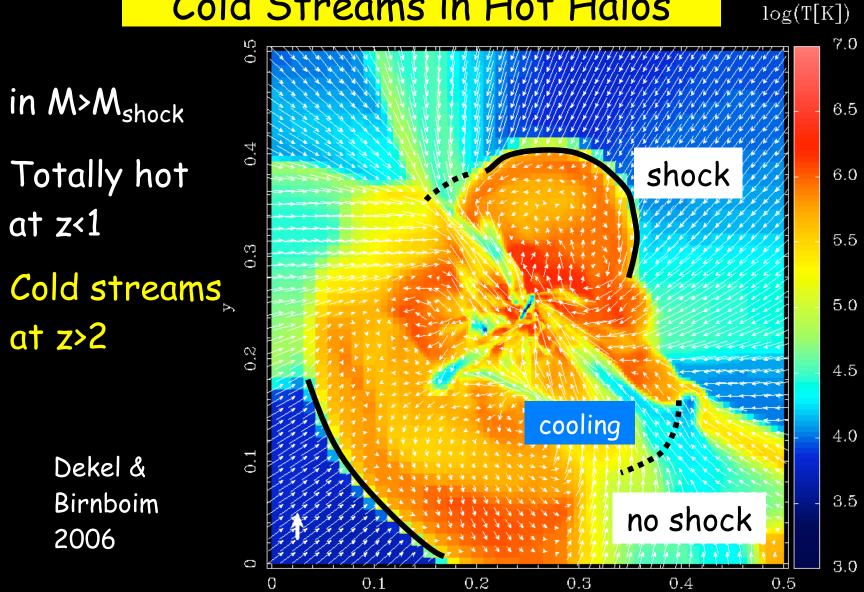
Improvements in resolution and feedback treatment leading to formation of more realistic disk galaxies Fabio Governato's group, Klypin & Ceverino, ...

Predict appearance of interacting galaxies, AGN formation, and properties of merger remnants TJ Cox04, Cox+06,+08, Patrik Jonsson04,06, Hernquist's group+05++, Jonsson+06, Greg Novak+06,08, Matt Covington08,+08, ...

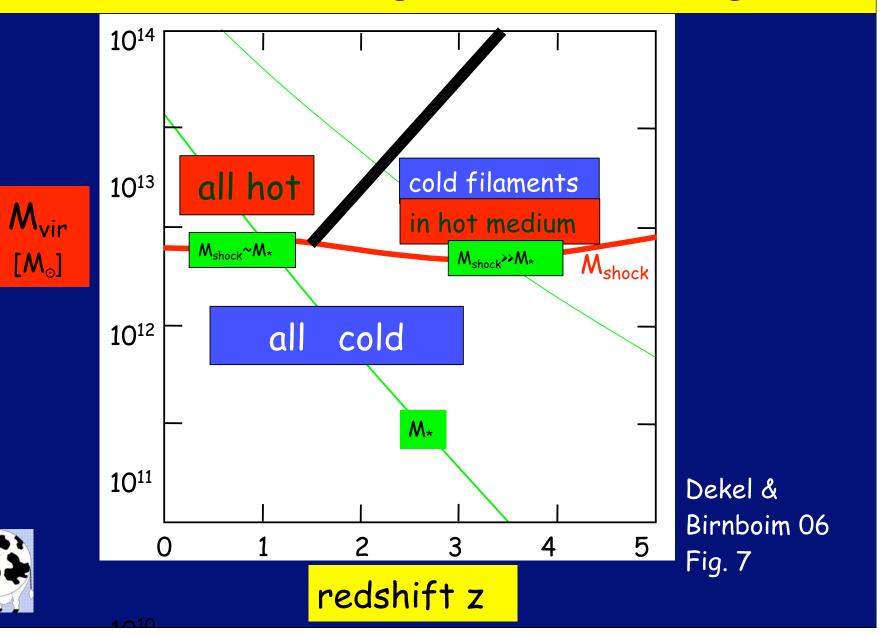
Statistically compare to observations (GOODS and AEGIS) Jennifer Lotz, Madau, & Primack 04; Lotz et al. 05, 06, 08; Cristy Pierce+06,... Nandra+06, Georgakakis+08, Pierce+08



### At High z, in Massive Halos: Cold Streams in Hot Halos



### Cold Streams in Big Galaxies at High z



Improvements in resolution and feedback are leading to formation of more realistic disk galaxies in hydro simulations The formation of a Milky Way size disk galaxy ... Gas is GREEN Stars are WHITE (DM not shown) Music: Peter Podobry, Ya-Mamma Courtesy of Fabio Governato, UW

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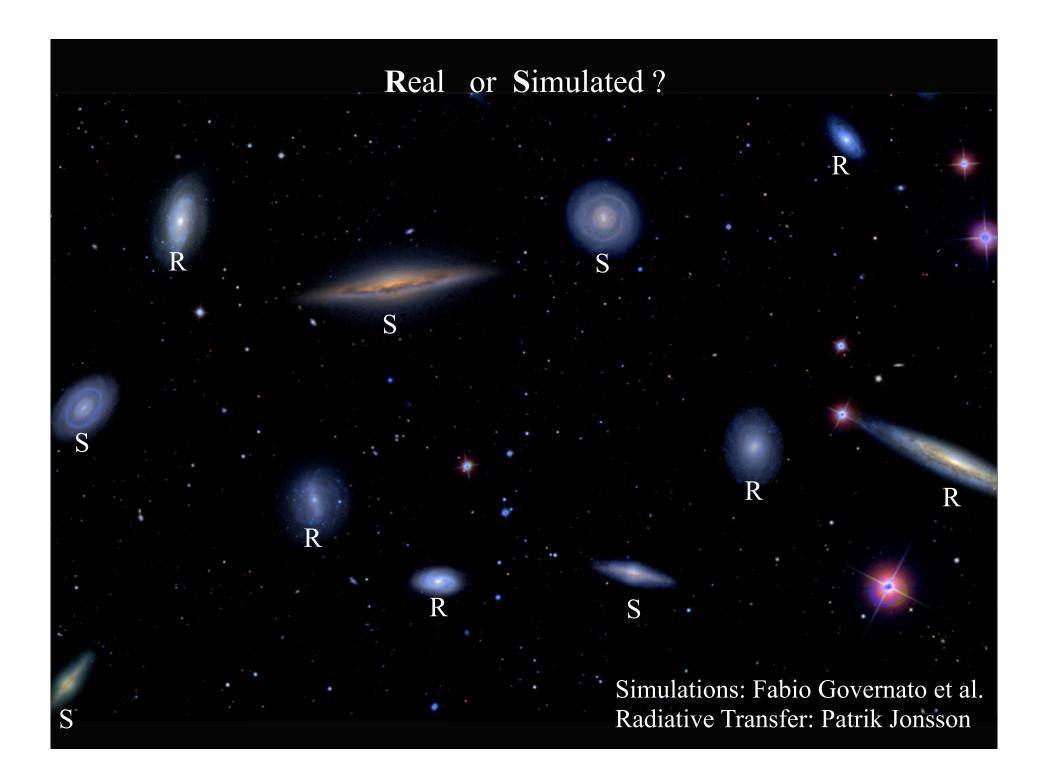
The formation of a Milky Way size disk galaxy

The ab-initio formation of a realistic rotationally supported disk galaxy with a pure exponential disk in a fully cosmological simulation is still an open problem. We argue that the suppression of bulge formation is related to the physics of galaxy formation during the merger of the most massive protogalactic lumps at high redshift, where the reionization of the Universe likely plays a key role. A sufficiently high resolution during this early phase of galaxy formation is also crucial to avoid artificial angular momentum loss.

Lucio Mayer, Fabio Governato, Tobias Kaufman 2008

Gas is GREEN
Stars are WHITE

(DM not shown)



### **Sunrise Code for Radiative Transfer through Dust**

### Dust in galaxies is important

- Absorbs about 40% of the local bolometric luminosity
- Makes brightness of spirals inclination-dependent
- Completely hides the most spectacular bursts of star formation
- Makes high-redshift SF history very uncertain

### Dust in galaxies is complicated

- The mixed geometry of stars and dust makes dust effects geometrydependent and nontrivial to deduce
- Needs full radiative transfer model to calculate realistically

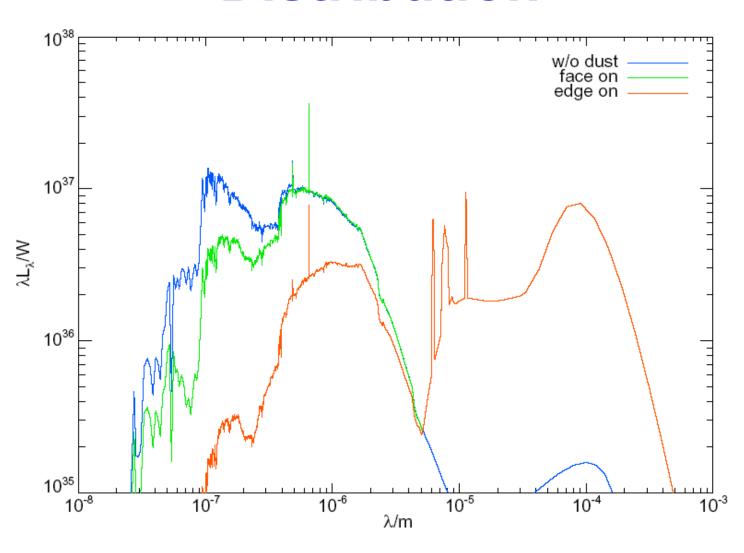
### Previous efforts have used 2 strategies

- Assume a simple, schematic geometry like exponential disks, or
- Simulate star-forming regions in some detail, assuming the galaxy is made up of such independent regions

### Sunrise approach - Patrik Jonsson

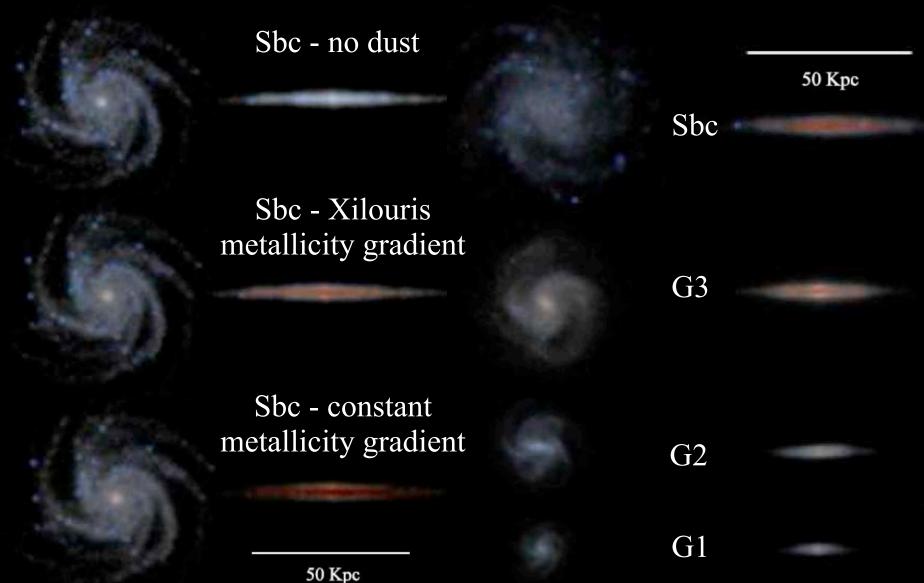
- For every simulation snapshot: SED calculation, adaptive grid
- Monte Carlo radiative transfer
- "Polychromatic" approach saves factor of ~100 in CPU time

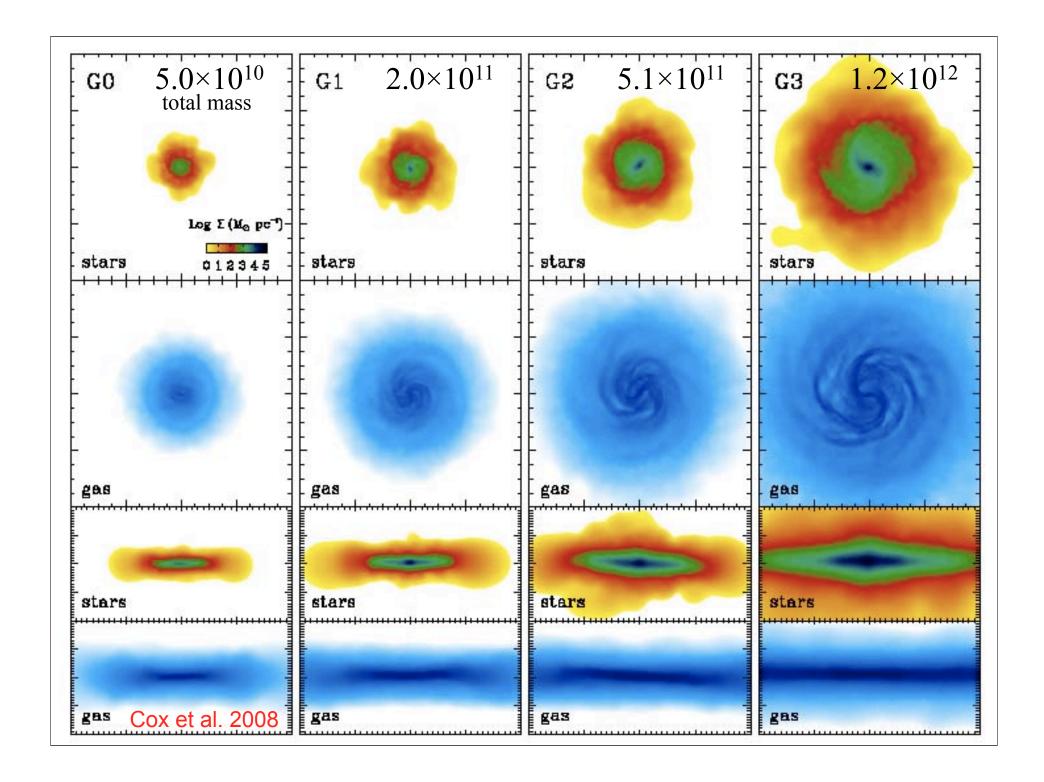
## **Spectral Energy Distribution**



# Dust Attenuation in Hydrodynamic Simulations of Spiral Galaxies Rocha, Jonsson, Primack, & Cox 2008 MN Sbc - no dust

Right hand side: Xilouris et al. 1999 metallicity gradient





### Stellar mass is mostly in galactic spheroids

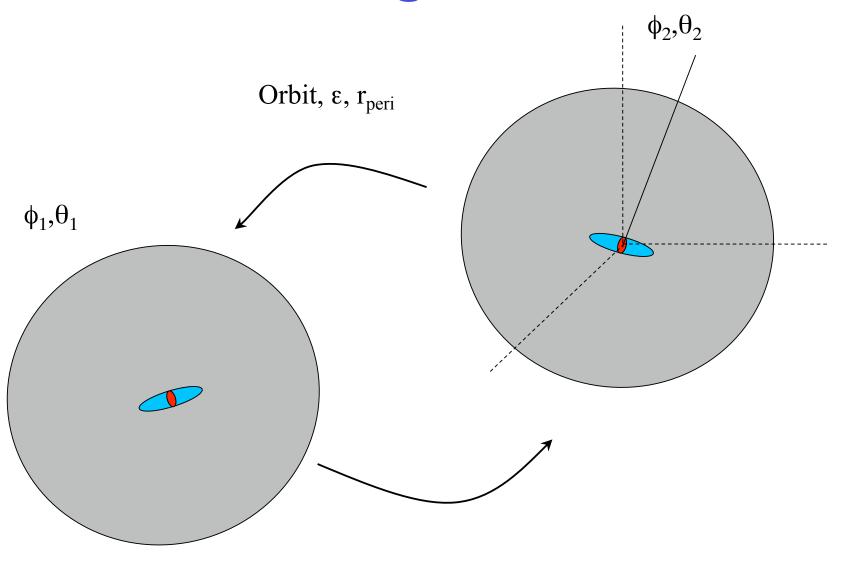
spheroid:disk = 0.74:0.26 Fukugita & Peebles 2004

Stellar galaxy mergers make spheroids

Disk galaxy mergers make both rotating elliptical spheroids and disks

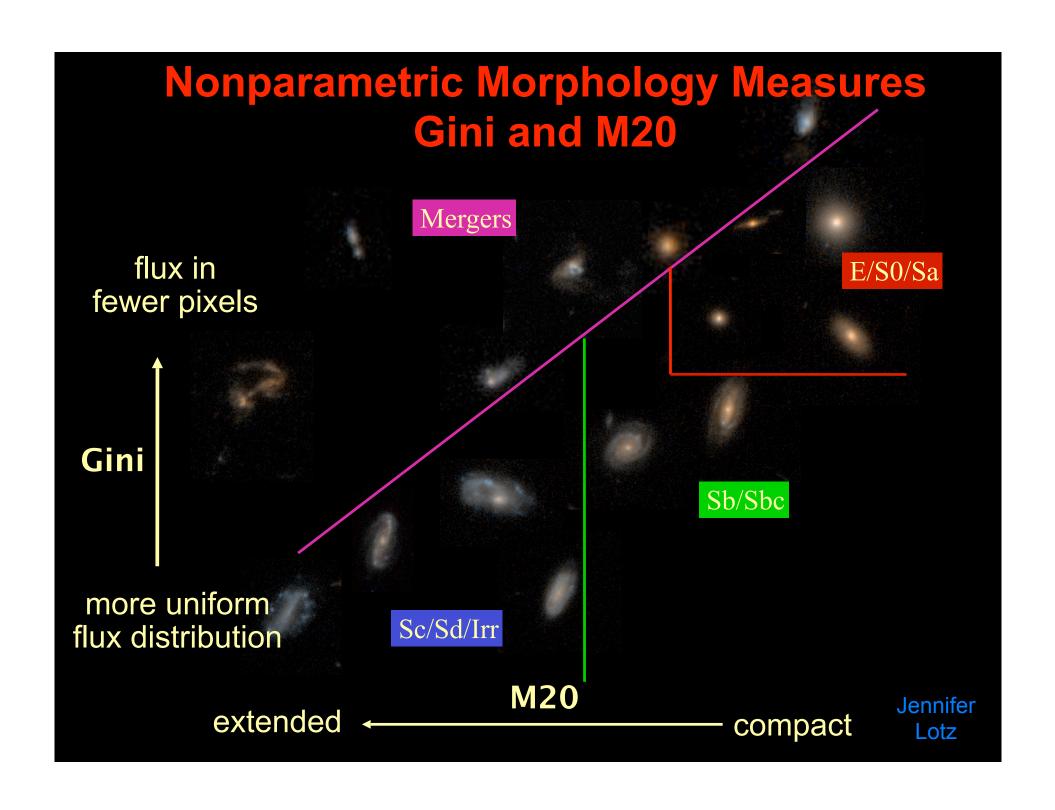
Multiple galaxy mergers, common at high z, can make round, slowly rotating spheroids and also gaseous disks

## So Let's Merge Two Disks

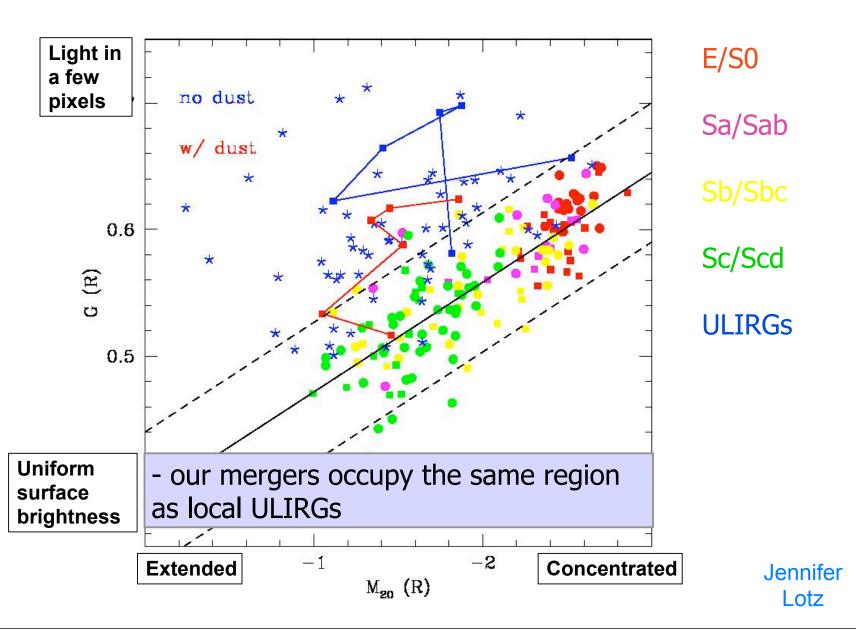


## Galaxy Merger Simulation

Patrik Jonsson, Greg Novak, Joel Primack music by Nancy Abrams

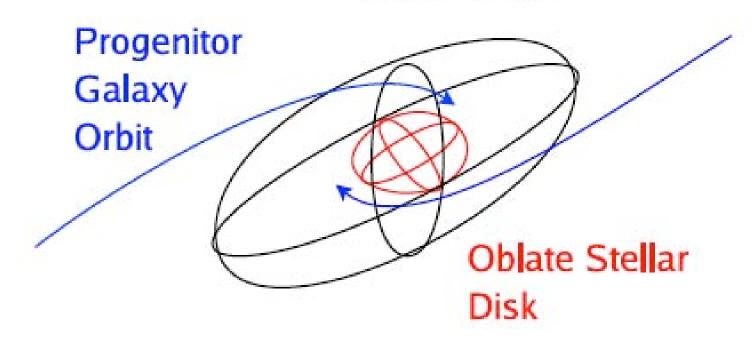






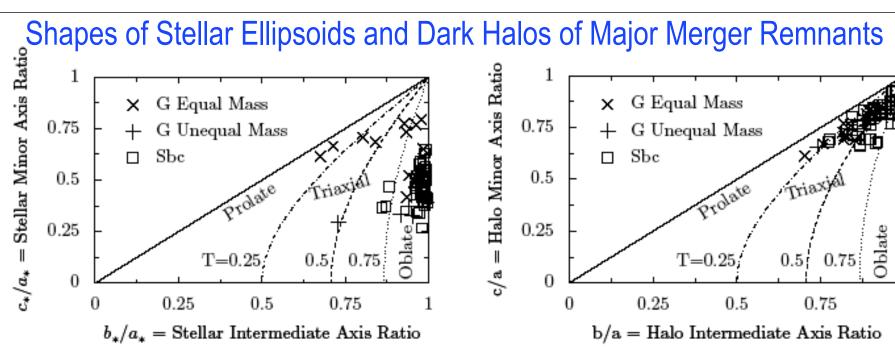
The short (rotation) axis of the visible elliptical galaxy is perpendicular to the long axis of its dark matter halo. Why? The long axis of the halo is along the merger axis, while the angular momentum axis is perpendicular to that axis.

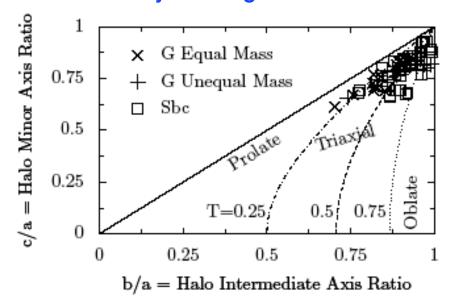
Prolate Dark Matter Halo



Novak, Cox, Primack, Jonsson, & Dekel, ApJ Letters 2006

We include detailed predictions testable via weak lensing

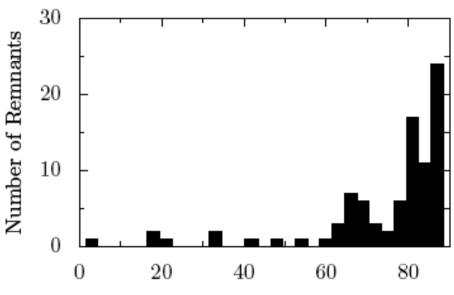




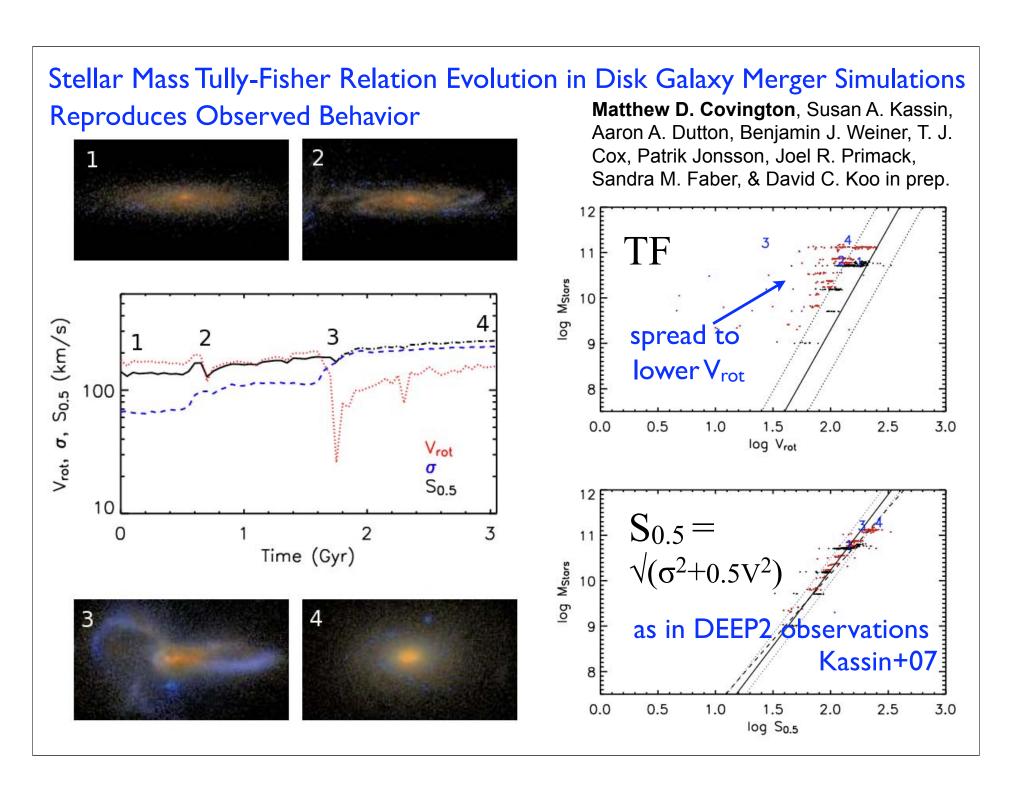
The stellar ellipsoids are mostly oblate but the dark matter halo is usually triaxial or prolate.

The stellar minor axis usually aligns with the angular momentum axis, which aligns with the dark matter smallest axis, perpendicular to the dark matter major axis.

Novak, Cox, Primack, Jonsson, & Dekel, ApJ Letters 2006



Stellar Minor-DM Major Axis Angle (degrees)

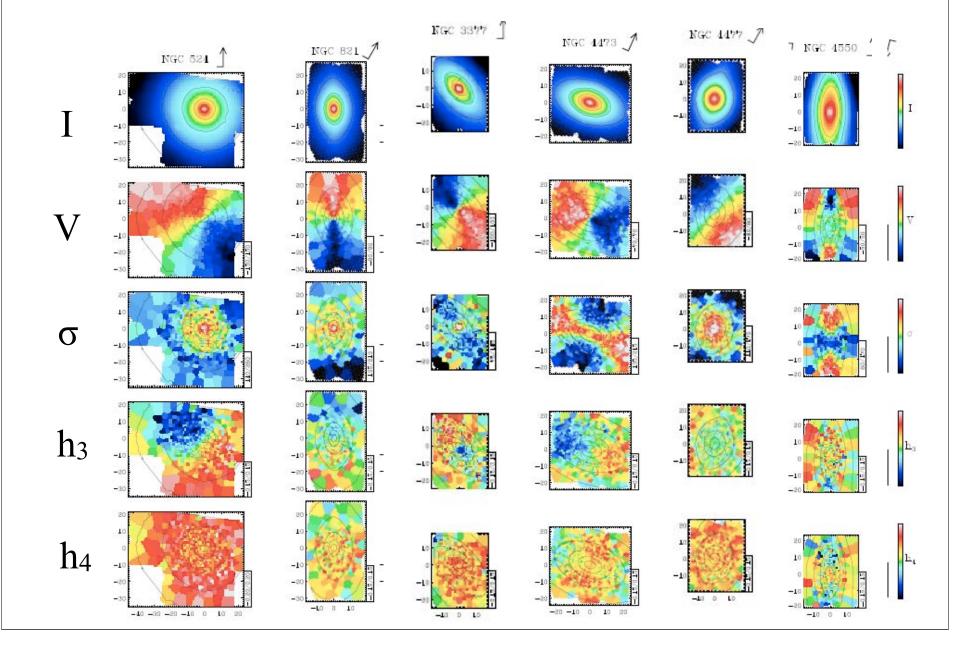


# Remnant elliptical galaxies from binary gas-rich disk galaxy mergers

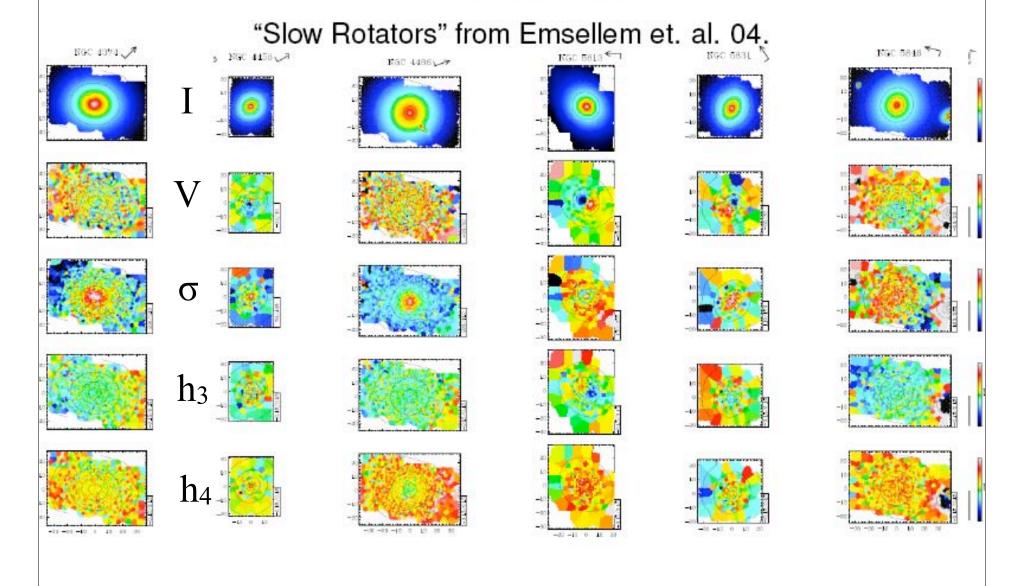
- Gas-rich binary major merger remnants look like SAURON fast rotators
- Easily understood in terms of orbital angular momentum; predictions for weak lensing
- Very few good candidates for slow rotators

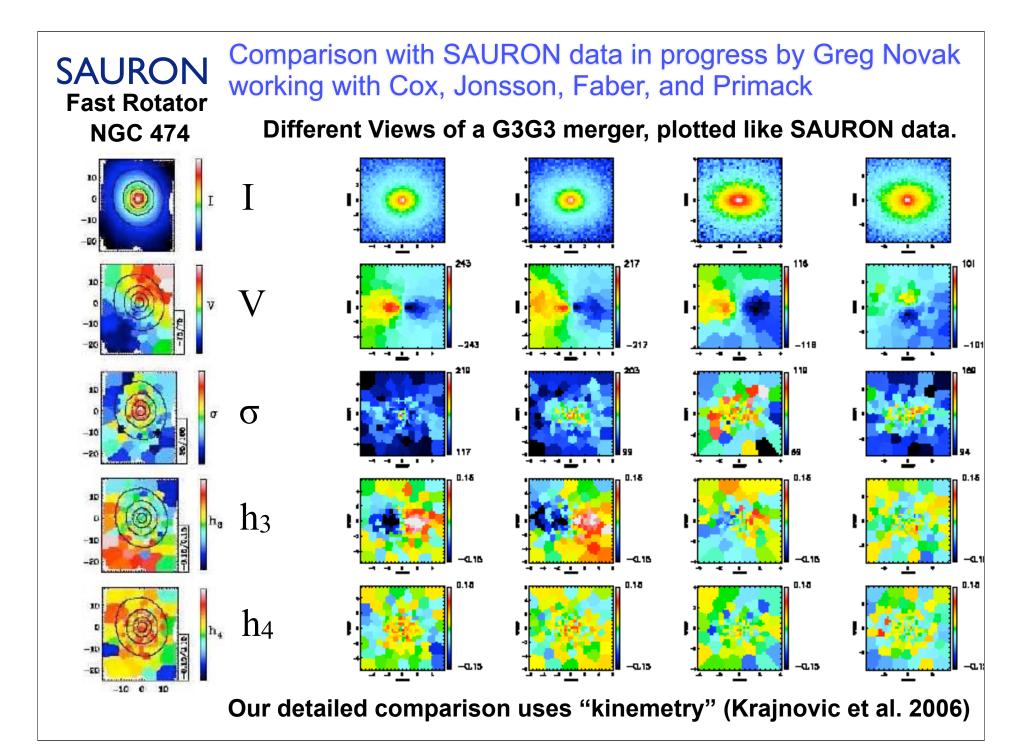
#### **SAURON** Data

"Fast Rotators" from Emsellem et al. 2003

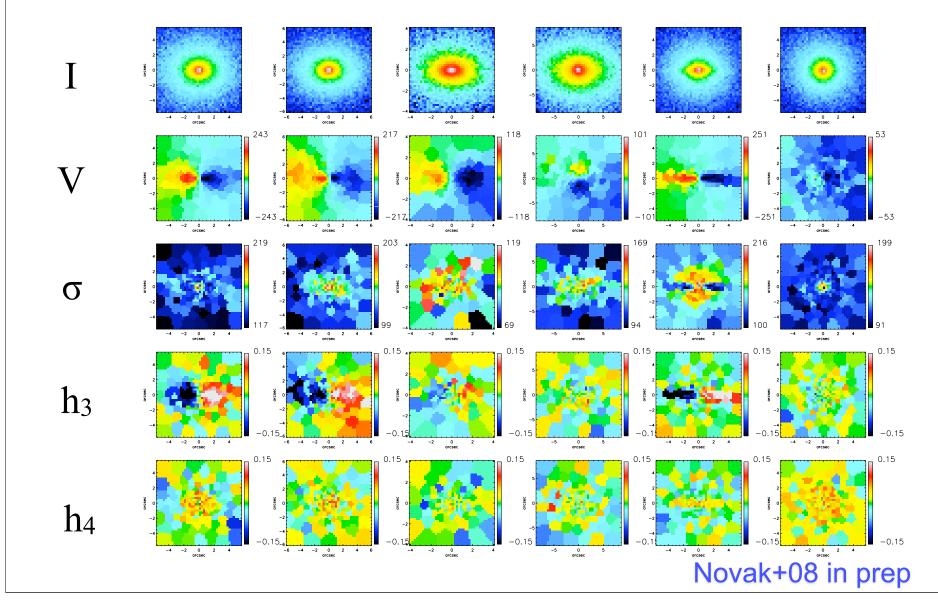


#### **SAURON Data**





## Binary Merger Simulations Produce Fast Rotators



This movitated a study of multiple mergers, which are very likely at  $z \gtrsim 2$ , when the merger time ~ Hubble time

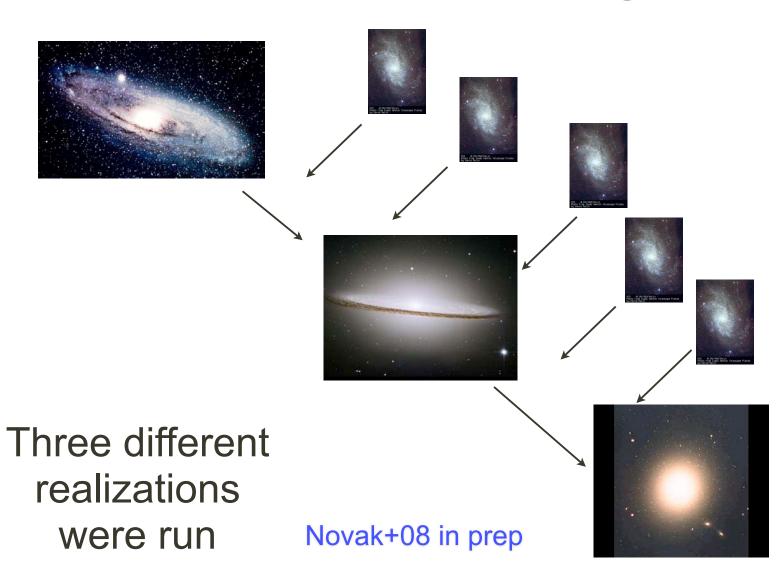
Both (I) simplified simulations with just galaxies and no gas environment,

(2) resimulations of groups selected at z ≥2 from a cosmological hydro simulation

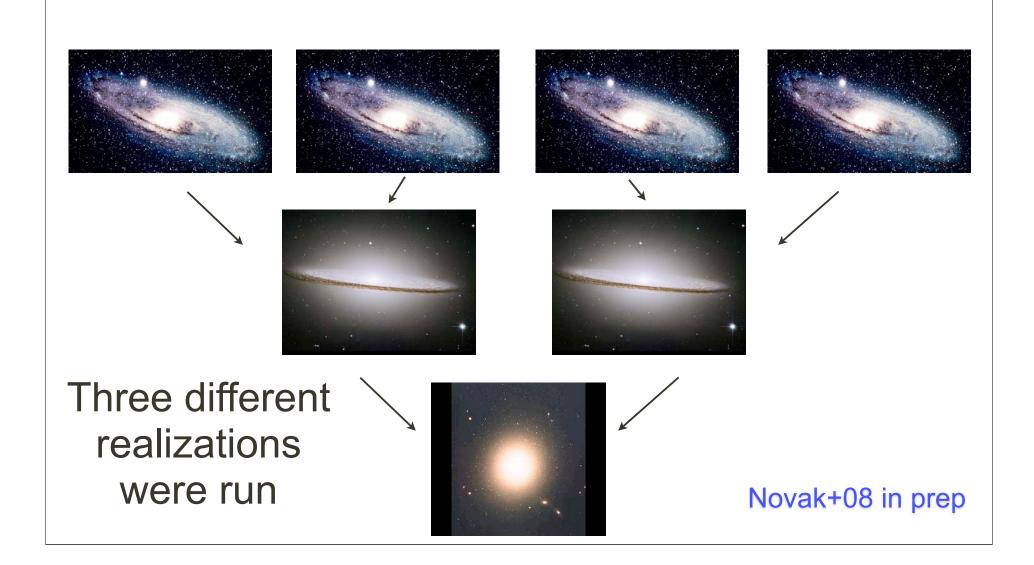
(both, using GADGET)

Novak+08 in prep

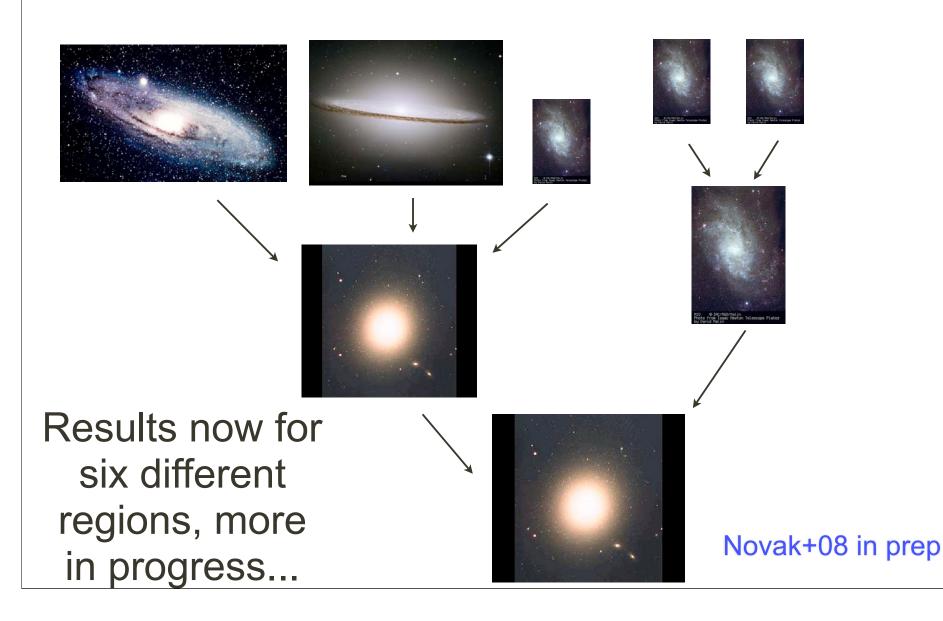
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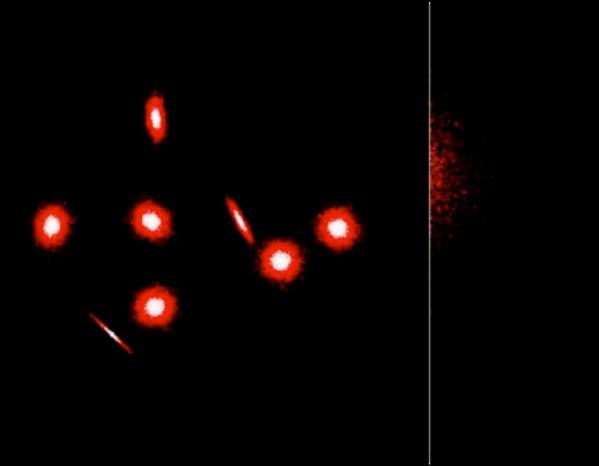


# Cosmological ICs



## Multi-Minor Mergers

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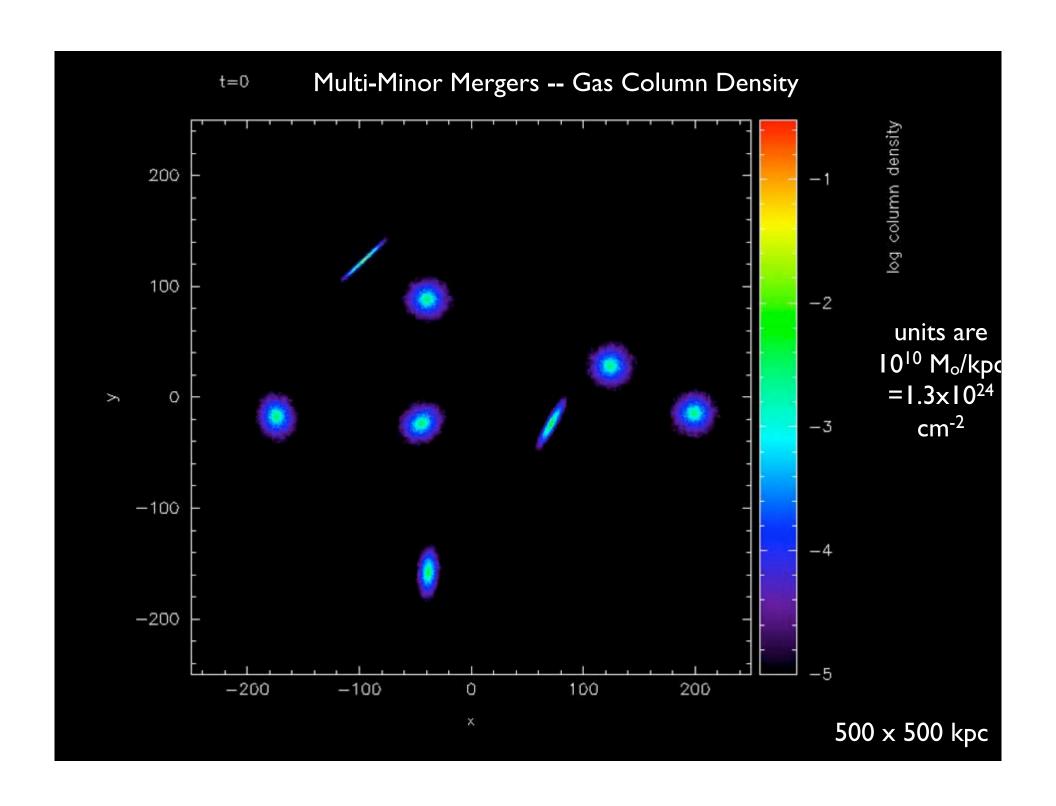


zoomed out

Simulation: Greg Novak

central region

Music: Sheldon Mirowitz, Since You Asked



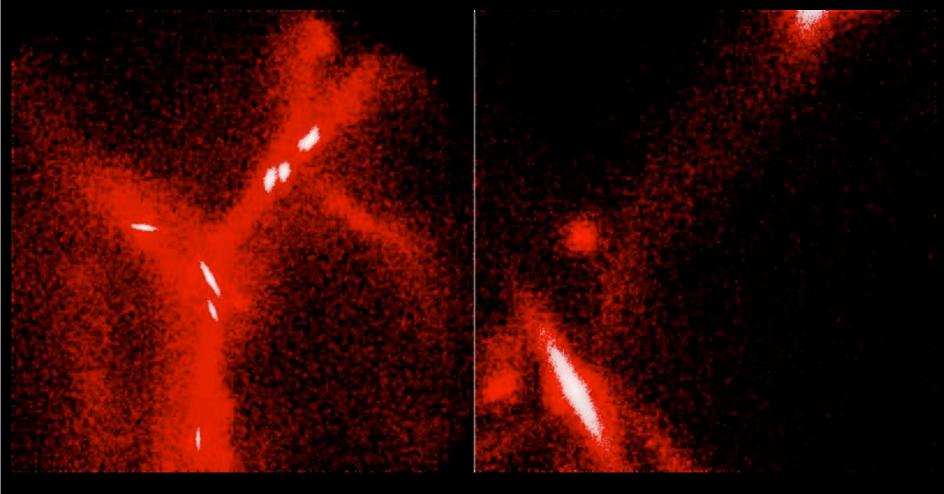
## Cosmological Sims by Greg Novak

- Start with 80/h Mpc adaptive mesh ART-hydro sim run by Doug Rudd (UChicago, IAS) on Columbia (NASA), with WMAP3 parameters  $\Omega_m$ =0.24,  $\Omega_{\Lambda}$ =0.76,  $\Omega_{b}$ =0.04,  $\sigma_{8}$  = 0.75, h=0.73;  $N_{dm}$  = 512³, resolution=1.6 kpc, star formation + feedback
- Extract "interesting" group halos, replace baryonic lumps with model galaxies, and include 1 proper Mpc high res region + 5 Mpc low res region (1.2 - 2.5 million particles total)
- Require ~40 khr on Columbia per simulation; current sims will require ~600 khr

## Cosmological Multi-Merger

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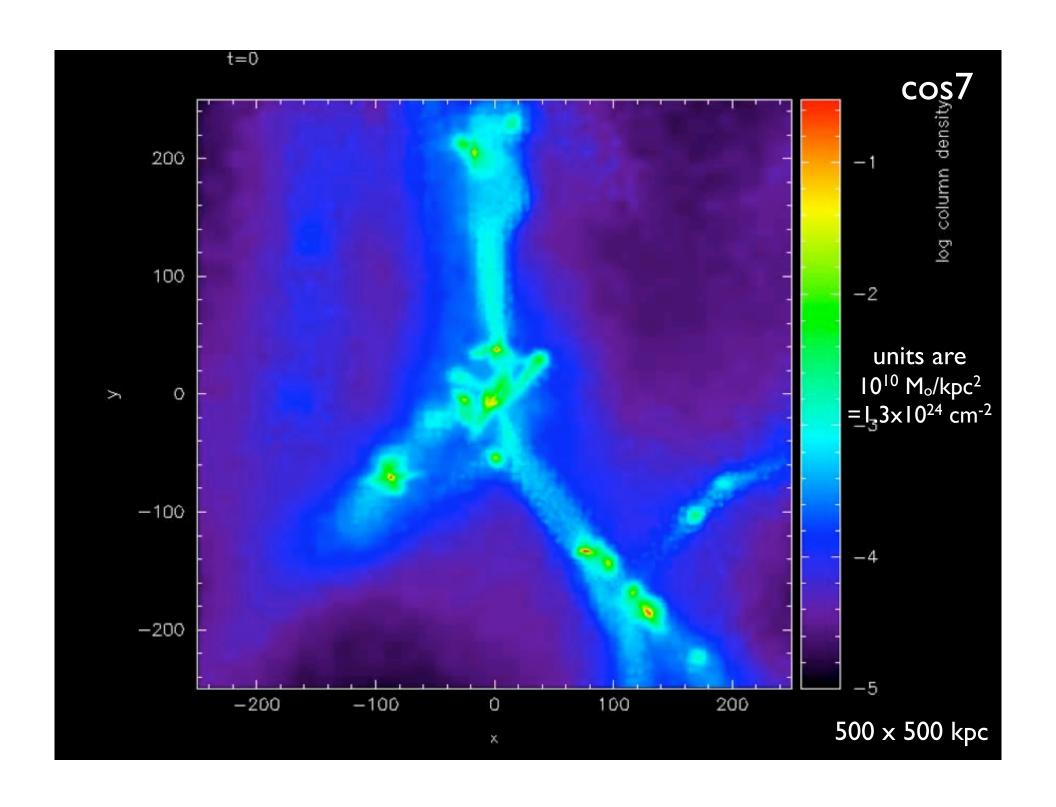


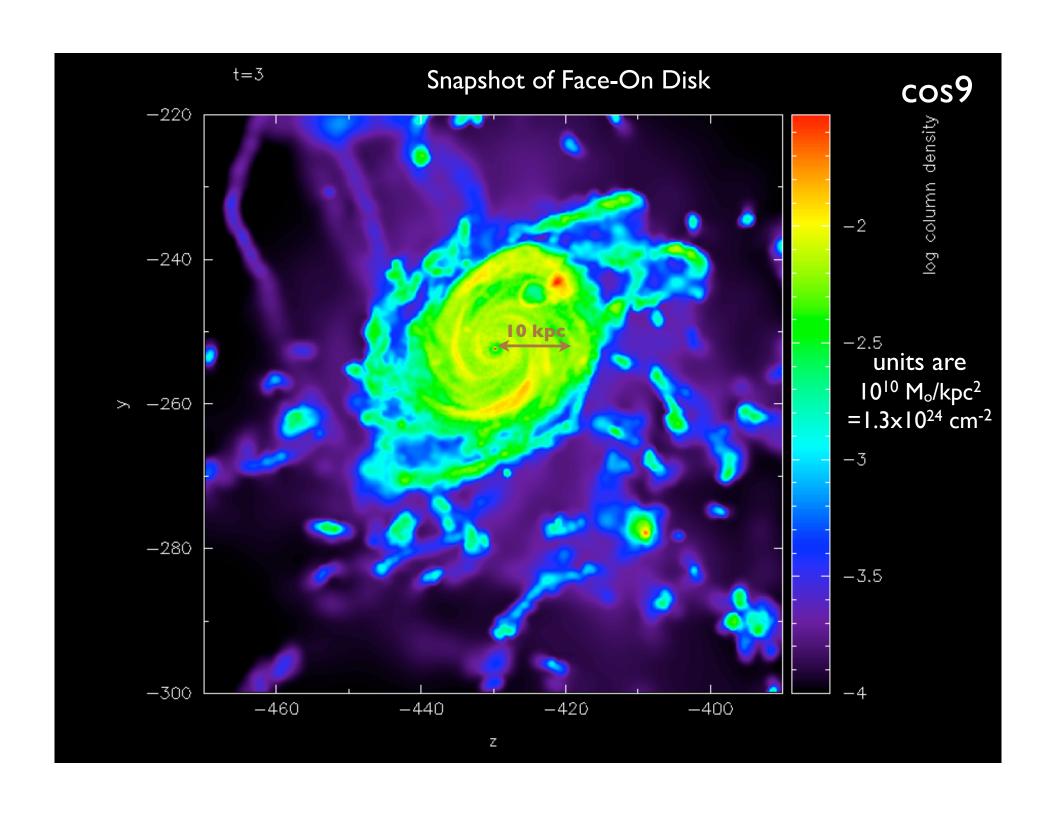
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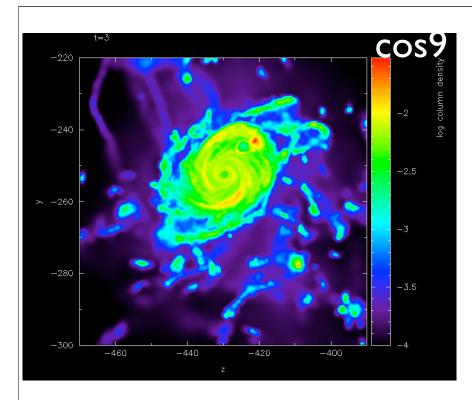
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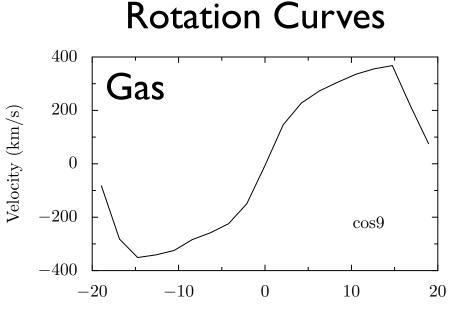
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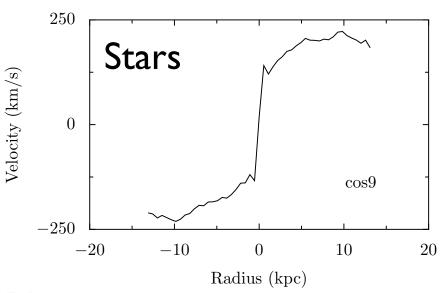






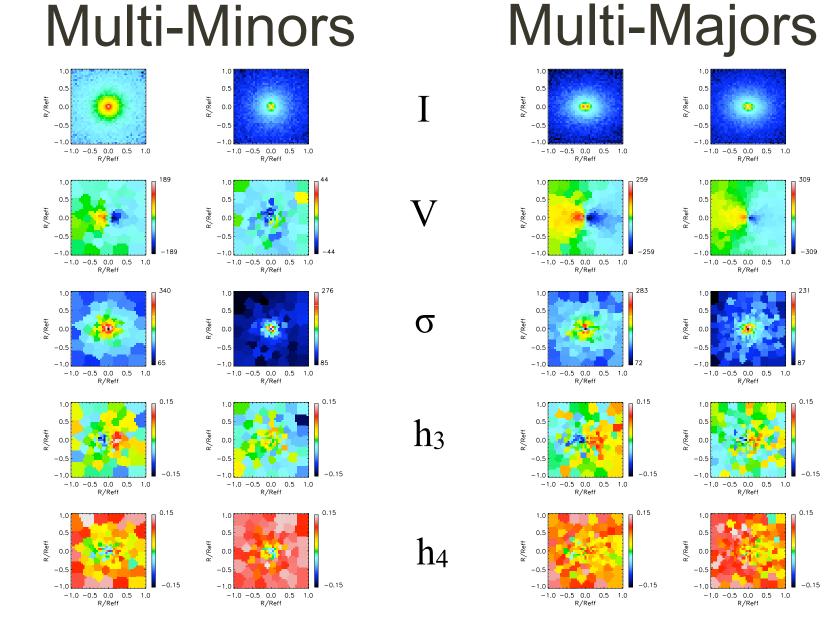
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Formed in Our
Cosmological Simulations
Appear to Resemble
SINFONI Observations





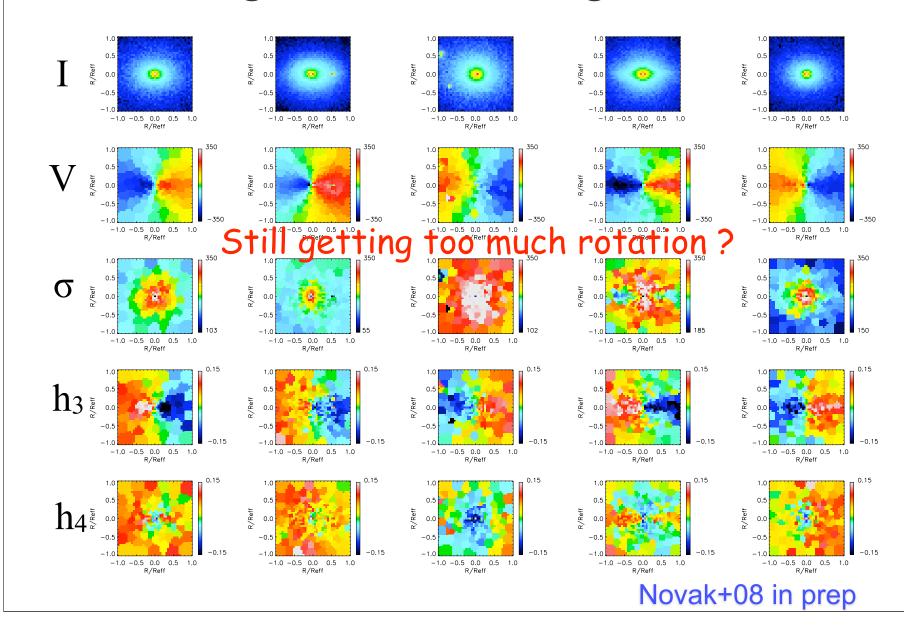
Radius (kpc)

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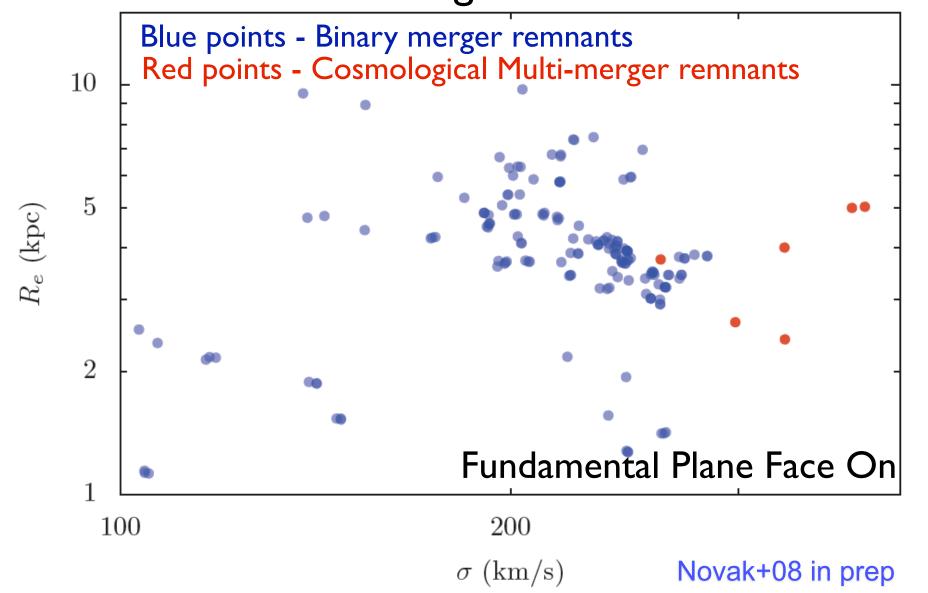


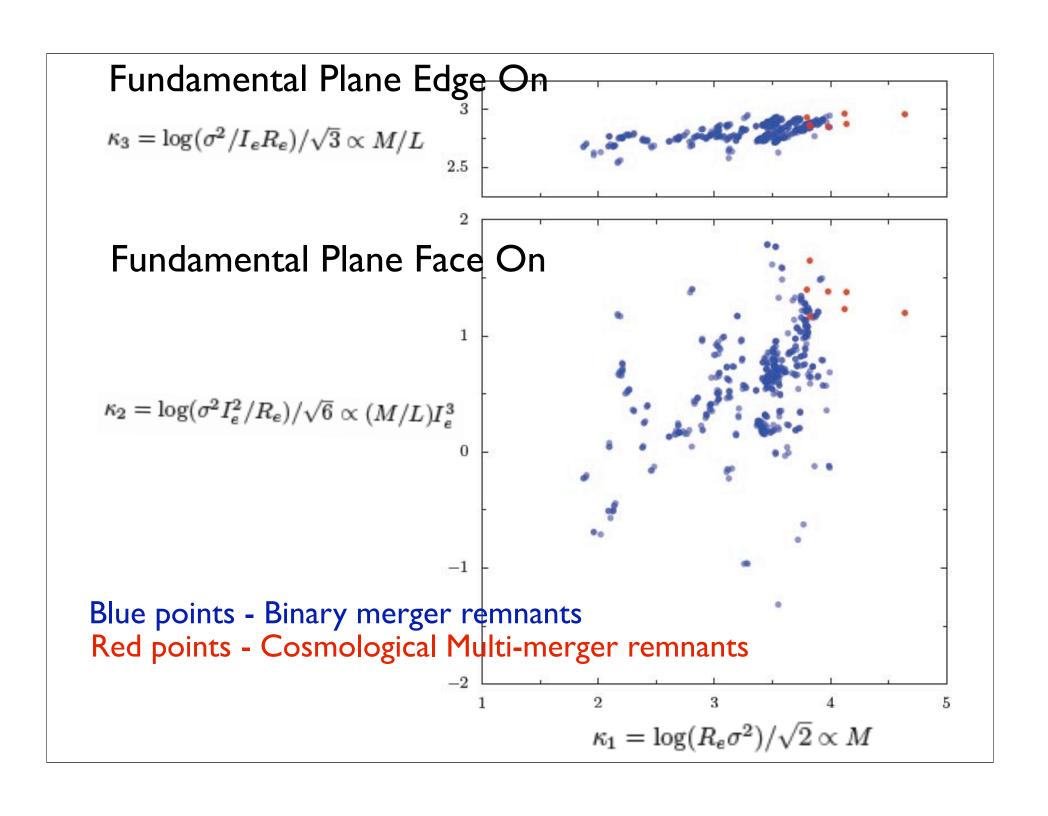
Produce Spheroids with Little or No Rotation

## Cosmological Multi-Merger Simulations









## A Physical Model for Predicting the Properties of Spheroidal Remnants of Binary Mergers of Gas Rich Disk Galaxies

We might expect that a more energetic encounter will cause increased tidal stripping and puff up the remnant.

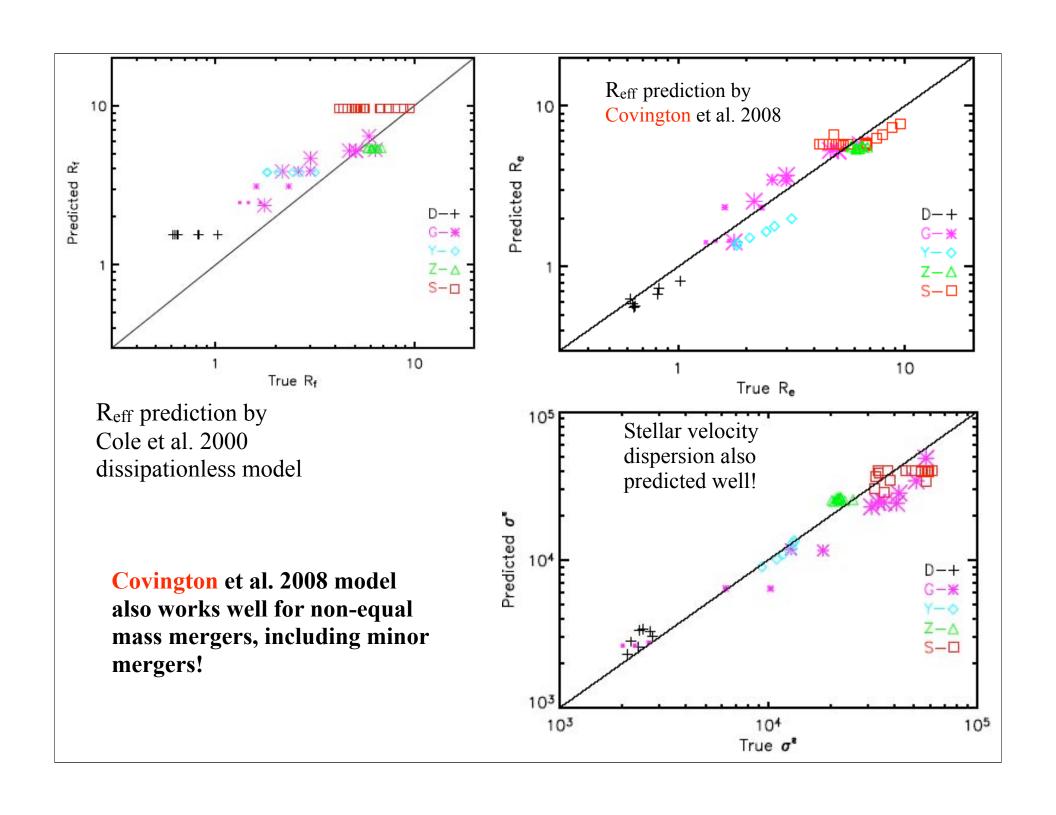
NO! For our simulations, more energetic encounters create more compact remnants.

Why? Dissipative effects cause more energetic encounters to result in smaller remnants.

Impulse provides a measure of merger "violence." The greater the impulse, the more the gas is disturbed, therefore the more it can radiate and form stars.

A number of physical mechanisms conspire to make this so (e.g. greater tidal effects, lower angular momentum, and more gas disk overlap).

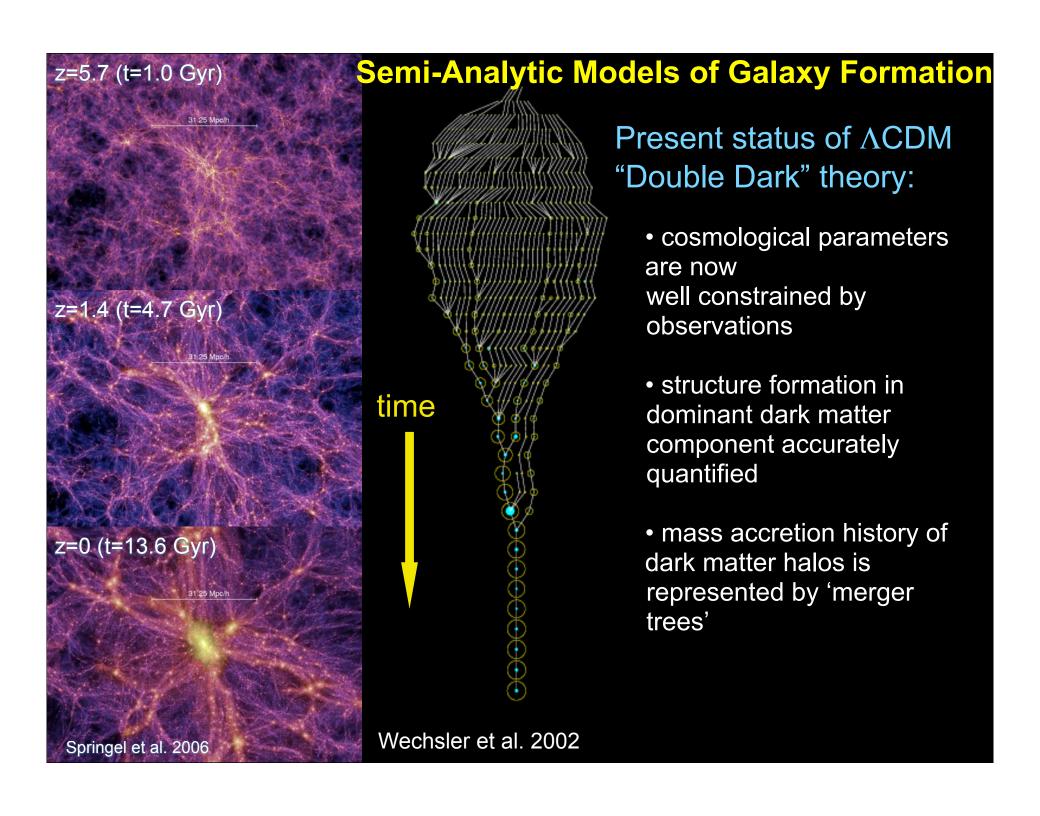
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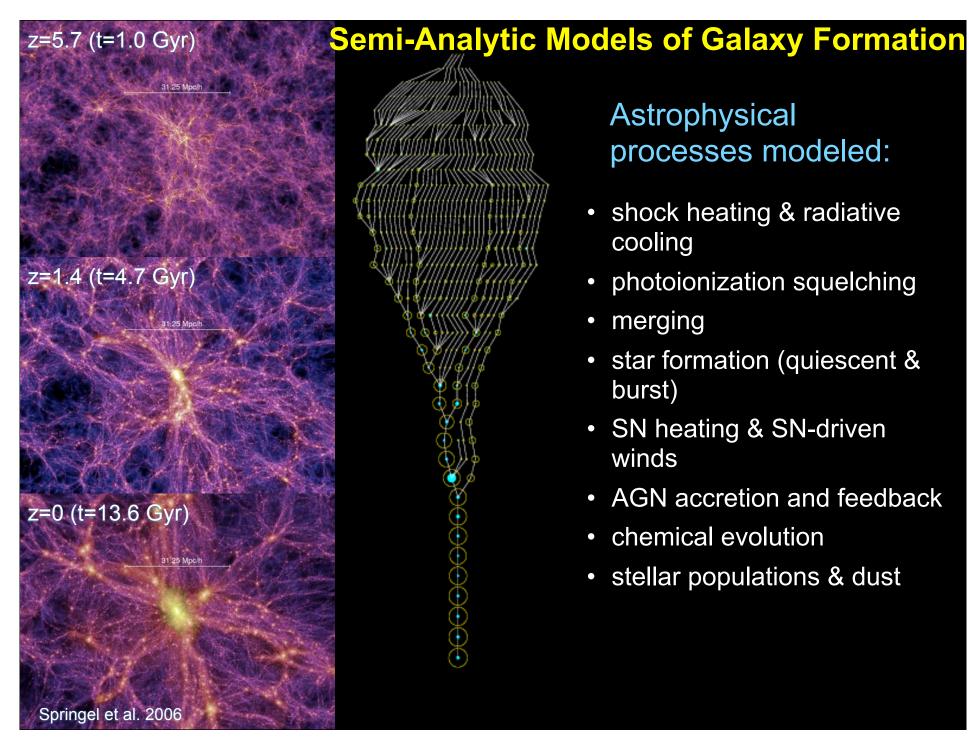


#### **New Improved Semi-Analytic Models Work!**

- Earlier CDM-based galaxy formation models suffered from a set of interlinked problems
  - overcooling/cooling flow problems in galaxies and clusters
  - -failure to produce observed color bimodality
- 'Bright mode' AGN feedback may regulate BH formation & temporarily quench star formation, but is not a viable 'maintenance' mechanism
- Low-accretion rate 'radio mode' feedback is a promising mechanism for counteracting cooling flows over long time scales
- New self-consistent 'hybrid' models based on physical scaling from numerical simulations and calibrated against empirical constraints now enable us to predict/ interpret the relationship between galaxies, BH, and AGN across cosmic history

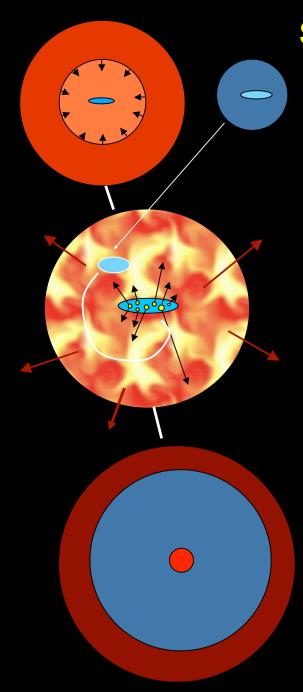
-- Rachel Somerville





#### **Astrophysical** processes modeled:

- shock heating & radiative cooling
- photoionization squelching
- merging
- star formation (quiescent & burst)
- SN heating & SN-driven winds
- AGN accretion and feedback
- chemical evolution
- stellar populations & dust

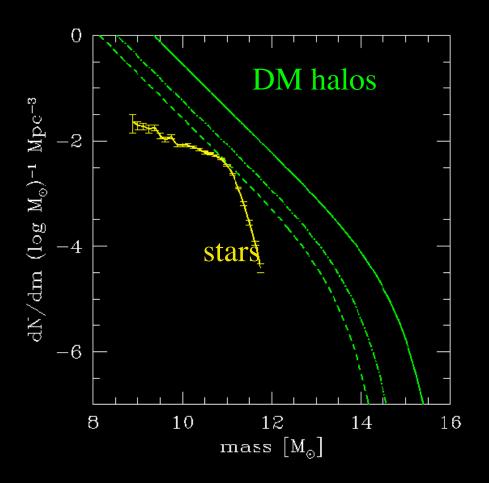


#### **Semi-Analytic Models of Galaxy Formation**

- gas is collisionally heated when perturbations 'turn around' and collapse to form gravitationally bound structures
- gas in halos cools via atomic line transitions (depends on density, temperature, and metallicity)
- cooled gas collapses to form a rotationally supported disk
- cold gas forms stars, with efficiency a function of gas density (e.g. Schmidt-Kennicutt Law)
- massive stars and SNae reheat (and expel?) cold gas and some metals
- galaxy mergers trigger bursts of star formation; 'major' mergers transform disks into spheroids

White & Frenk 1991; Kauffmann et al. 93; Cole et al. 94; Somerville & Primack 99; Cole et al. 2000; Somerville, Primack, & Faber 01; Cattaneo et al. 07, Somerville et al. 08

#### **Baryons in Dark Matter Halos**

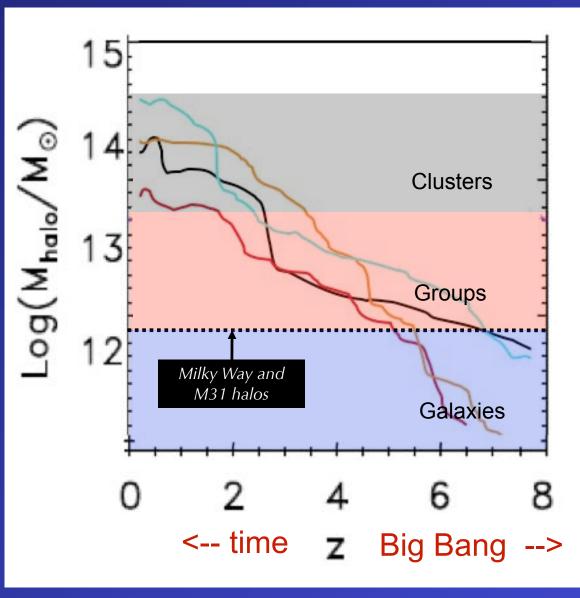


- in order to reconcile CDM (sub)halo mass function with galaxy LF or stellar MF, cooling/star formation must be inefficient overall, most efficient at 10<sup>12</sup> M<sub>sun</sub>
- baryon/DM ratio must be a strongly non-linear (& nonmonotonic) function of halo mass

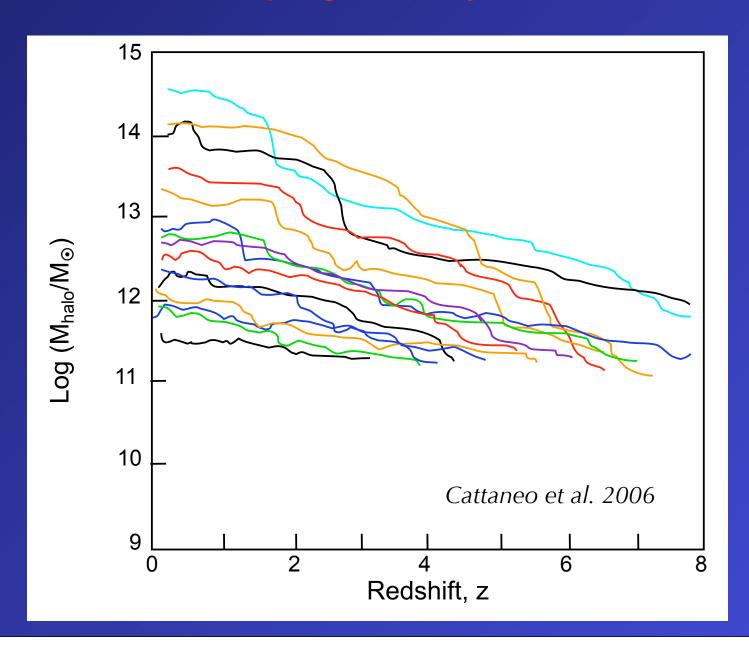
Somerville & Primack 1999; Benson et al. 2003

#### Dark halo mass growth vs. time: 4 examples

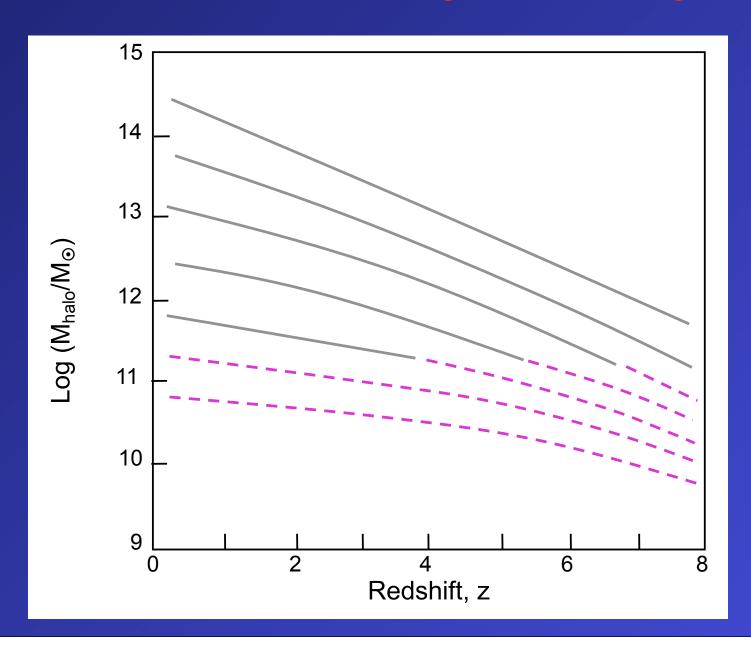
GALics DM halos by Cattaneo et al. 2006



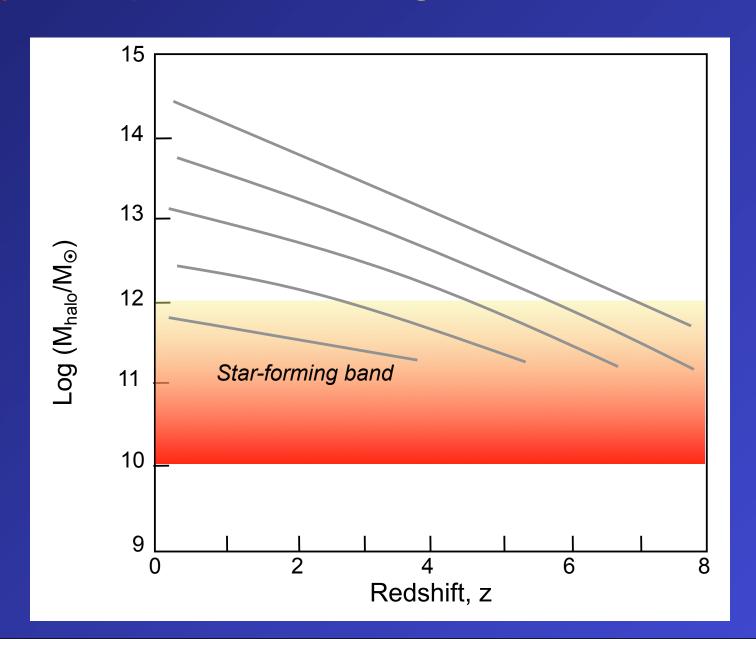
#### Dark halos of progressively smaller mass



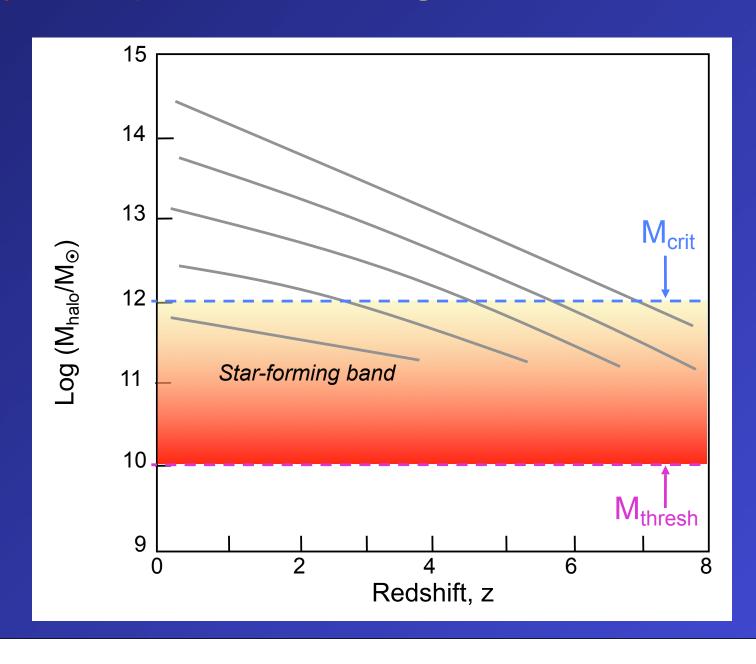
#### A schematic model of average halo mass growth



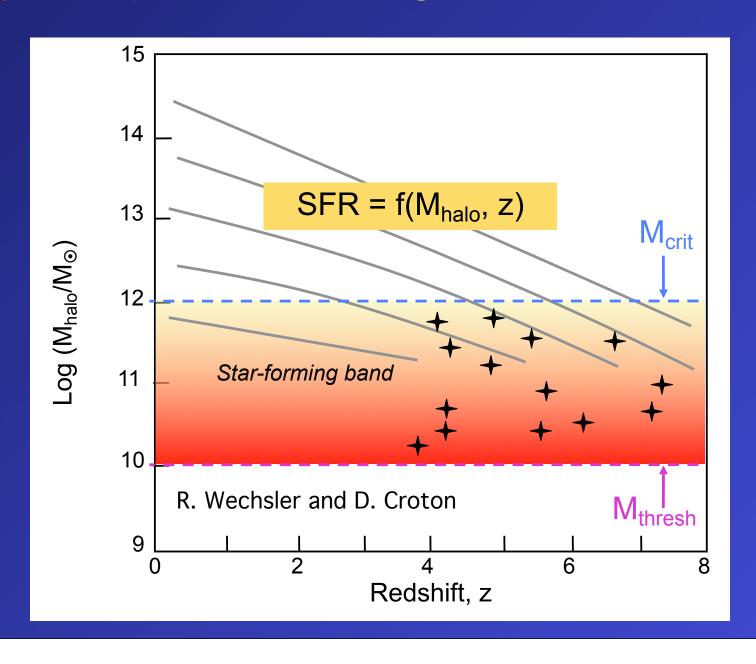
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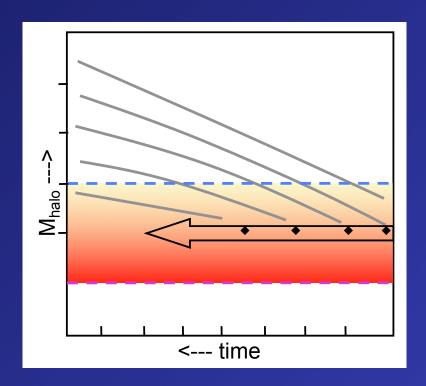


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## Implications and Predictions of the Model

- 1) Each halo has a unique dark-matter growth path and associated stellar mass growth path.
- 2) Stellar mass follows halo mass until  $M_{halo}$  crosses  $M_{crit}$ .

SAMs:

 $M_{star} \sim 0.05 M_{halo}$ 

3) A *mass sequence* comes from the fact that different halo masses enter the star-forming band at different times. A galaxy's position is determined by its *entry redshift* into the band. More massive galaxies enter earlier. Thus:

# <--- time

## Implications and Predictions of the Model

#### **Massive galaxies:**

- Started forming stars early.
- Shut down early.
- Are red today.
- Populate dark halos that are much too massive for their stellar mass.

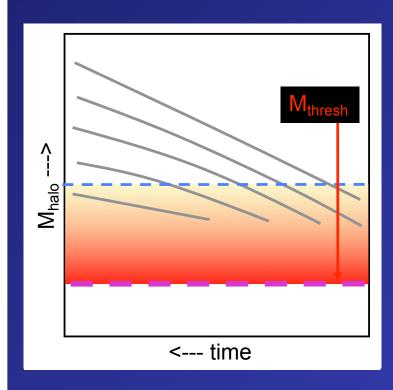
#### **Small galaxies:**

- Started forming stars late.
- Are still making stars today.
- Are blue today.
- Populate dark halos that match their stellar mass.

#### "Downsizing"

Star formation is a wave that started in the largest galaxies and swept down to smaller masses later (Cowie et al. 1996).

#### Theories for the *lower* halo star-formation boundary



 $M_{thresh}$  is the halo mass at the LOWER edge of the star-formation band, roughly  $10^{10}$   $M_{\odot}$ .

#### Not yet well understood

1 Supernova feedback (Dekel & Silk 1985):

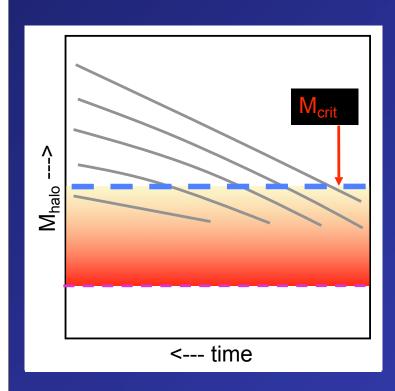
 $v_{lim} < 100 \text{ km/sec}$ 

2 Early Universe reionization (e.g., Somerville 2002):

 $v_{lim} < 30 \text{ km/sec}$ 

3 Plus tidal destruction!

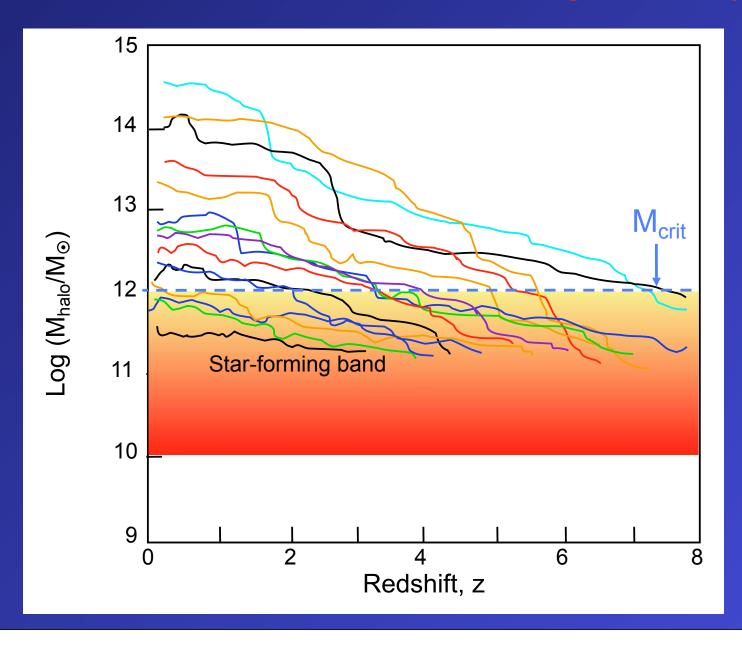
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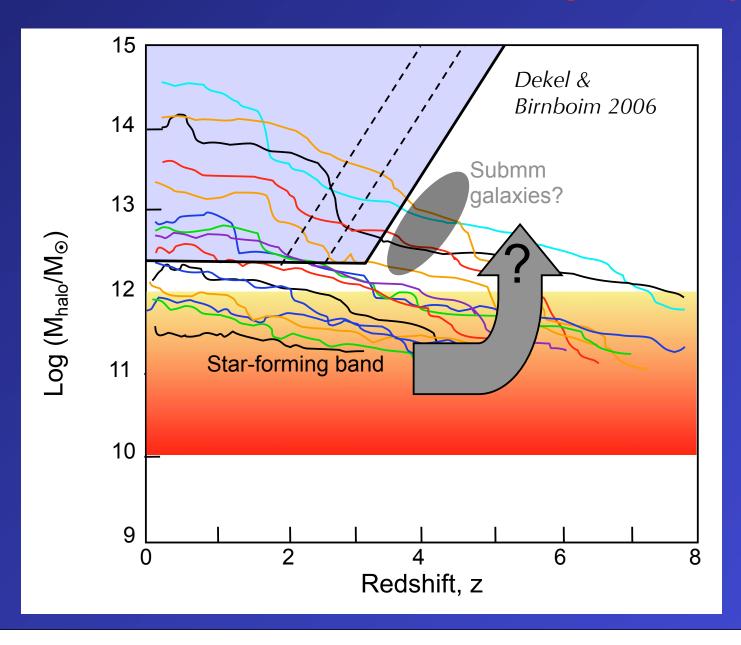
 $M_{crit}$  is the halo mass at the UPPER edge of the star-formation band, roughly  $10^{12} M_{\pi}$ .

Gas in halos above the critical halo mass  $M_{\rm crit} \sim 10^{12} M_{\odot}$  cannot cool (Ostriker & Rees 1978, Blumenthal et al. 1984, Dekel & Birnboim 2007).

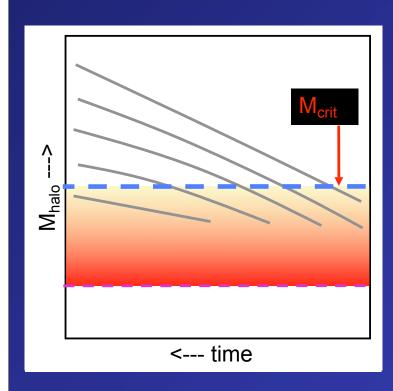
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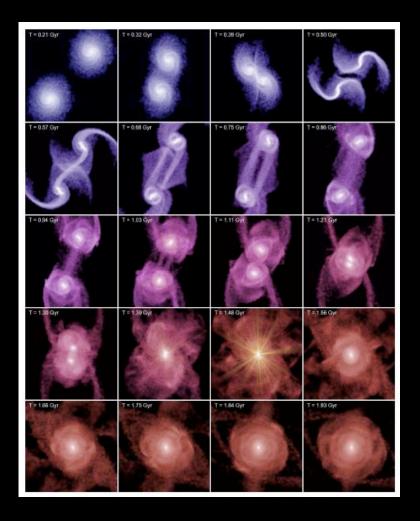


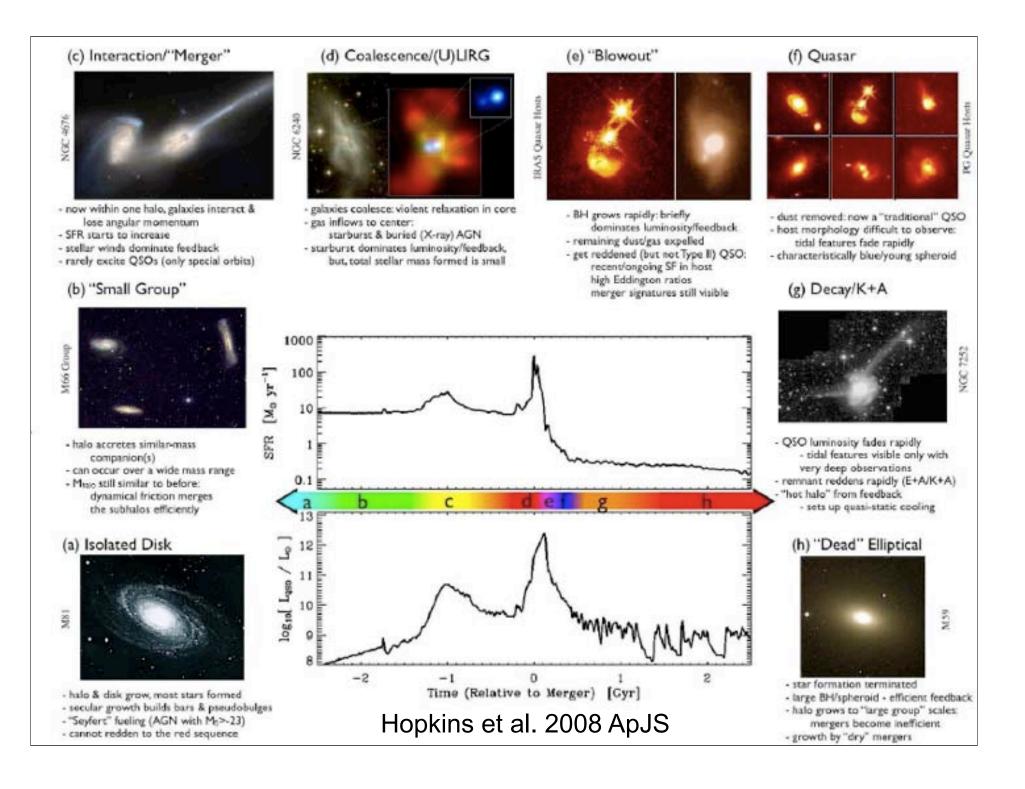
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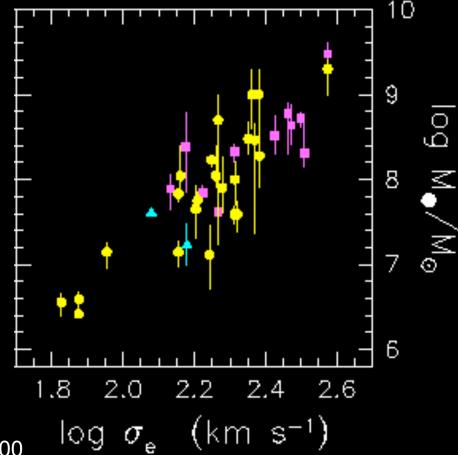
2 Merging galaxies trigger BH growth. AGN feedback drives out galaxy gas (Hopkins et al 2006).



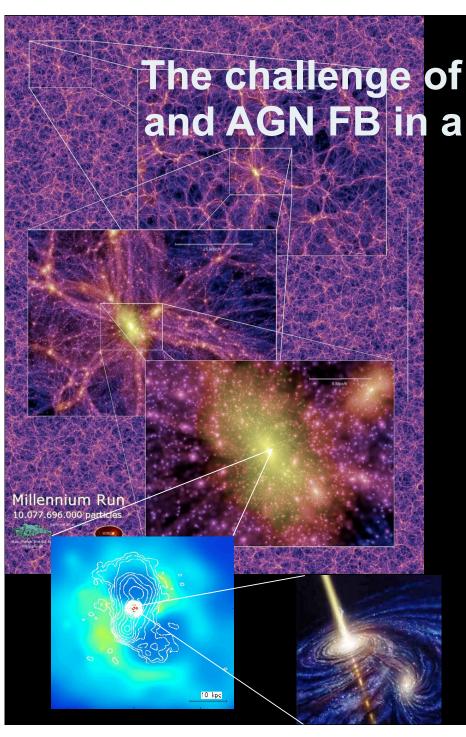


# Why AGN Feedback Can Make Massive Galaxies Red/Dead

- Need mechanism to
  - quench star formation in massive galaxies
  - stop cooling in clusters
- SN feedback inadequate: not enough energy, little star formation in red galaxies
- BH mass closely connected with host galaxy's spheroid mass
- Bigger BH  $\Rightarrow$  more energy  $(L_{max} \sim L_{Edd} \sim M_{BH})$



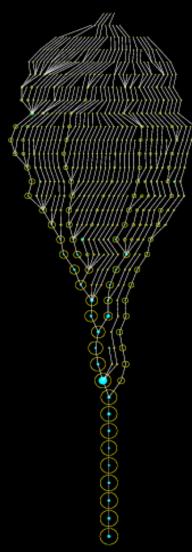
Magorrian et al. 1998; Gebhardt et al. 2000, Ferrarese & Merritt 2000



The challenge of simulating BH growth and AGN FB in a cosmological context

- dynamic range:
  - Gpc (luminous QSO)
  - few 100 Mpc (LSS)
  - 10's of kpc (ICM, jets)
  - sub-kpc (star formation, stellar FB)
  - few 100 pc (nuclear gas inflows, starbursts, AGN feeding, winds)
  - pc & sub-pc (accretion disk, BH mergers, etc)
- poorly understood physics (Bfields, conduction, cosmic ray pressure, turbulence, feeding problem, ...)

#### NEW Self-Consistent Model for the Co-Evolution of Galaxies, Black Holes, and AGN



- Top-level halos start with a ~100 M<sub>sun</sub> seed BH
- Mergers trigger bursts of star formation and accretion onto BH; efficiency and timescale parameterized based on hydrodynamical merger simulations (μ, B/T, V<sub>c</sub>, f<sub>g</sub>, z; Cox et al., Robertson et al.)
- BH accrete at Eddington rate until they reach 'critical mass', then enter 'blowout' (power-law decline) phase

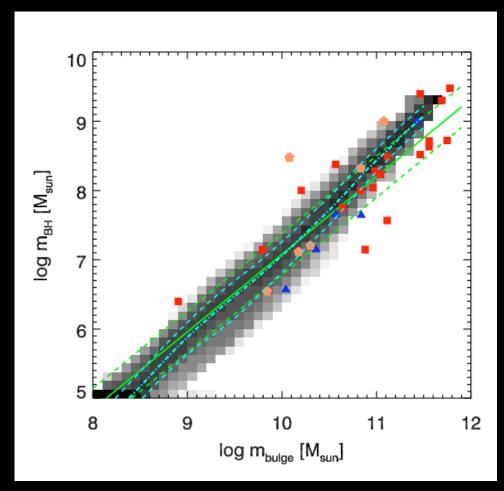
$$dm_{acc}/dt = m_{Edd}/[1+(t/t_Q)^{\beta}]$$

- Energy released by accretion drives a wind
- BH merge when their galaxies merge; mass is conserved

Somerville, Hopkins, Cox, et al. 2008 MN in press

#### Predicted M<sub>BH</sub>-M<sub>bulge</sub> relationship

in Somerville+08 model, arises from 'bright mode' feedback



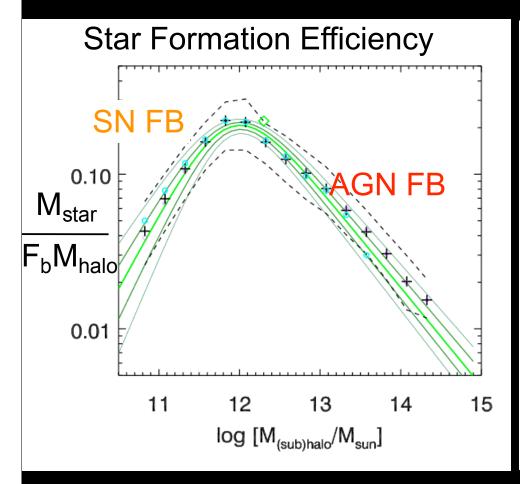
matches slope & scatter of observed relation

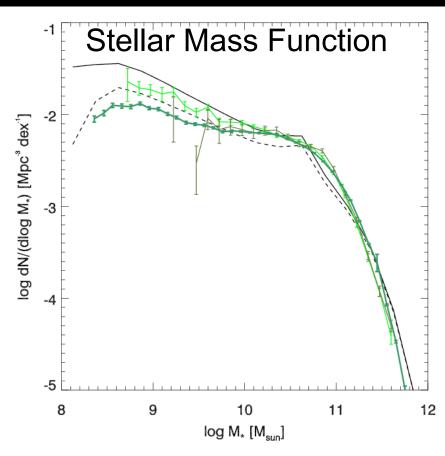
large symbols:
Haering & Rix data
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intrinsic scatter: 0.3 dex

cyan: predicted median, 10th, & 90th percentile predicted scatter: ~0.15 dex

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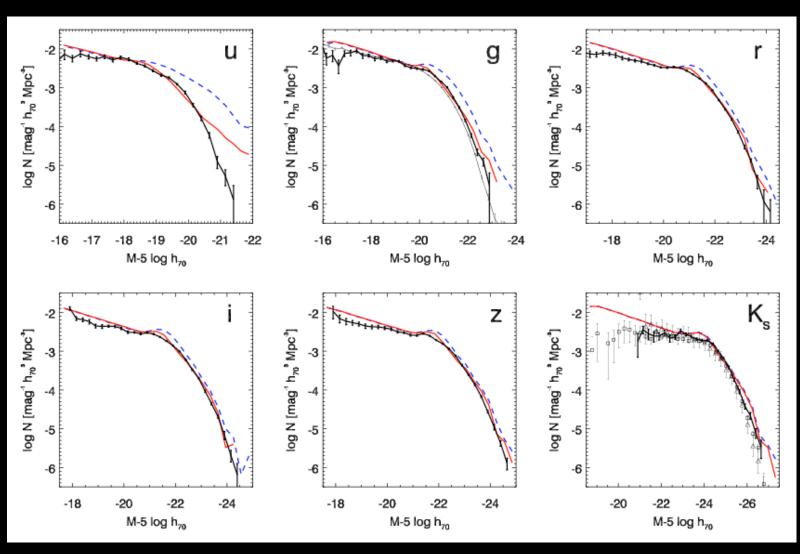
## AGN Heating Leads to Galaxy Mass Functions at z~0 in Agreement with Observations



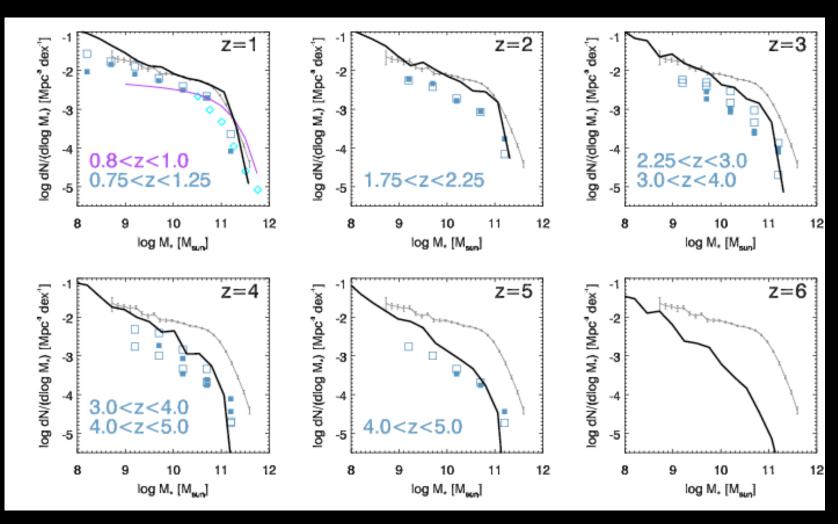


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### **Luminosity Functions**



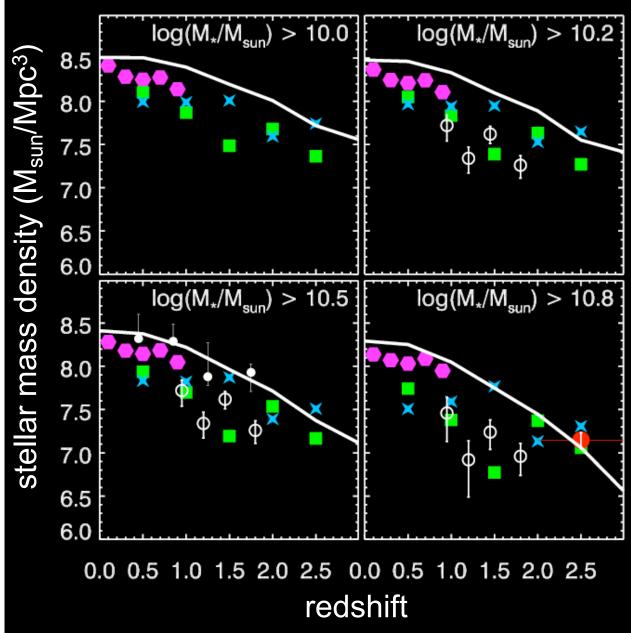
#### **Stellar Mass Function Evolution**



data from Borch et al. (COMBO-17); Drory et al. (MUNICS, GOODS, FDF)

Somerville et al. in prep

#### Model produces enough massive galaxies at high redshift



observations:

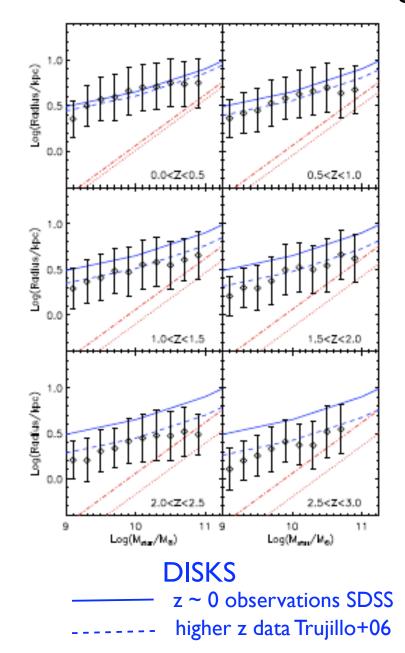
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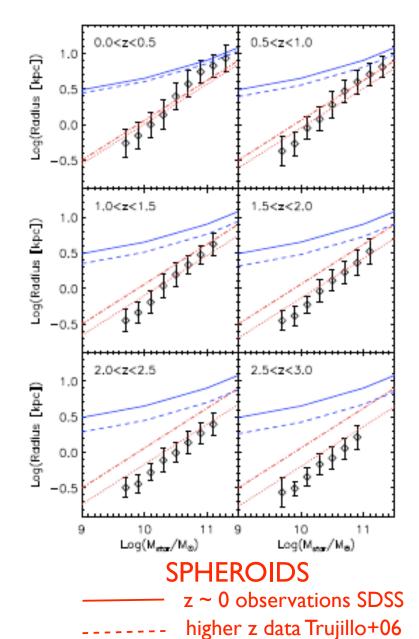
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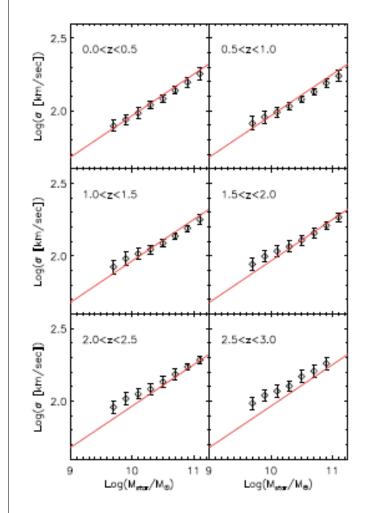
Somerville et al. 2008; see also Bower et al.2006; Kitzblicher & White 2006

#### Somerville+08 SAM + Mergers Predict Observed Size-Mass



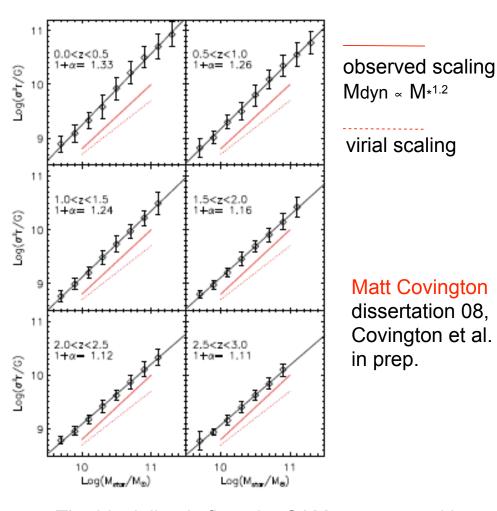


Faber-Jackson relations for the remnants in the S08 SAM, binned by redshift. Model predicts little F-J evolution.



Red line is the observed relation at low redshift (Gallazzi et al., 2006).

Fundamental Plane plotted as M<sub>\*</sub>vs. M<sub>dyn</sub> for the remnants in the S08 SAM, binned by redshift. Model reproduces observed tilt of the Fundamental Plane.

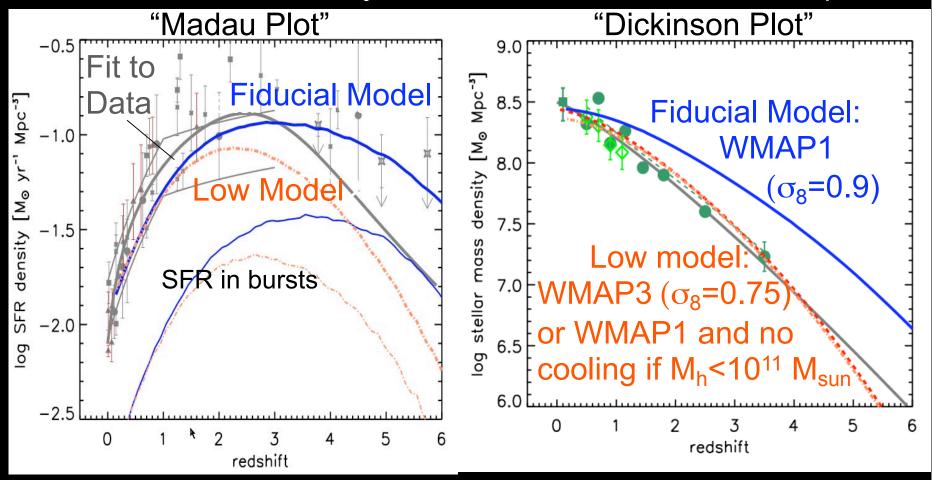


The black line is fit to the SAM remnants with  $M_{dyn} \propto M_{\star}^{1+\alpha}$  (1 +  $\alpha$  is shown on the figure).

## History of Star Formation and Stellar Mass Build-up

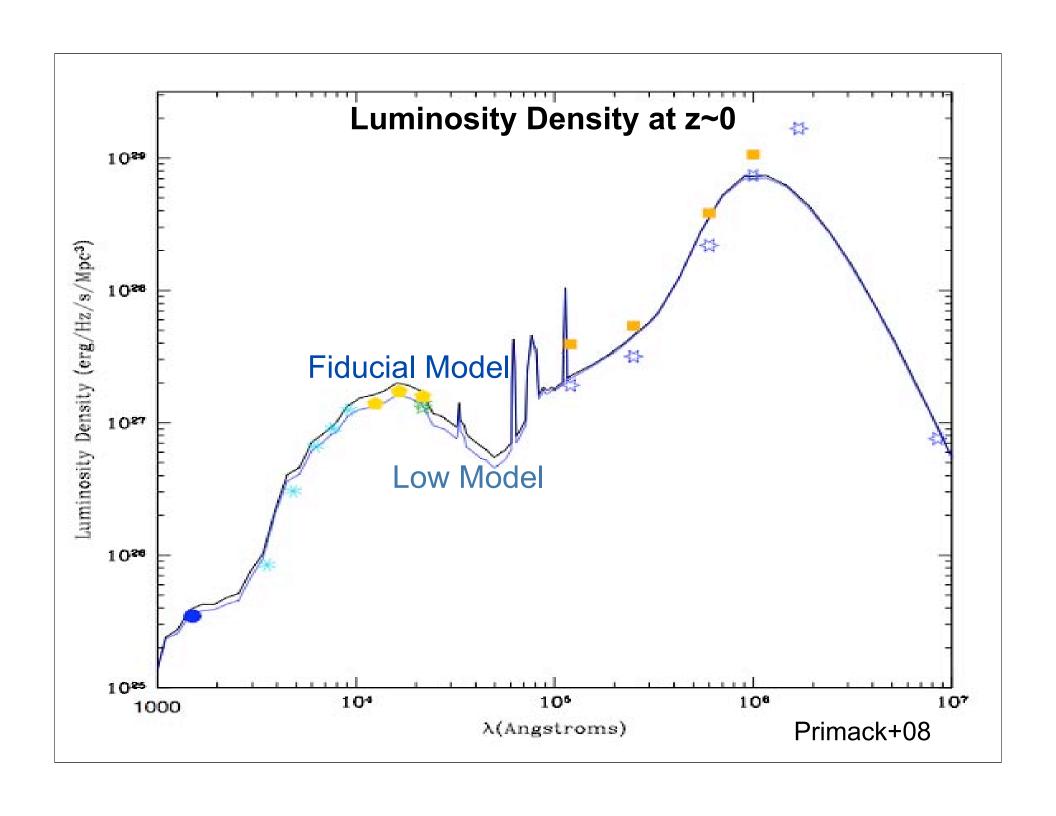


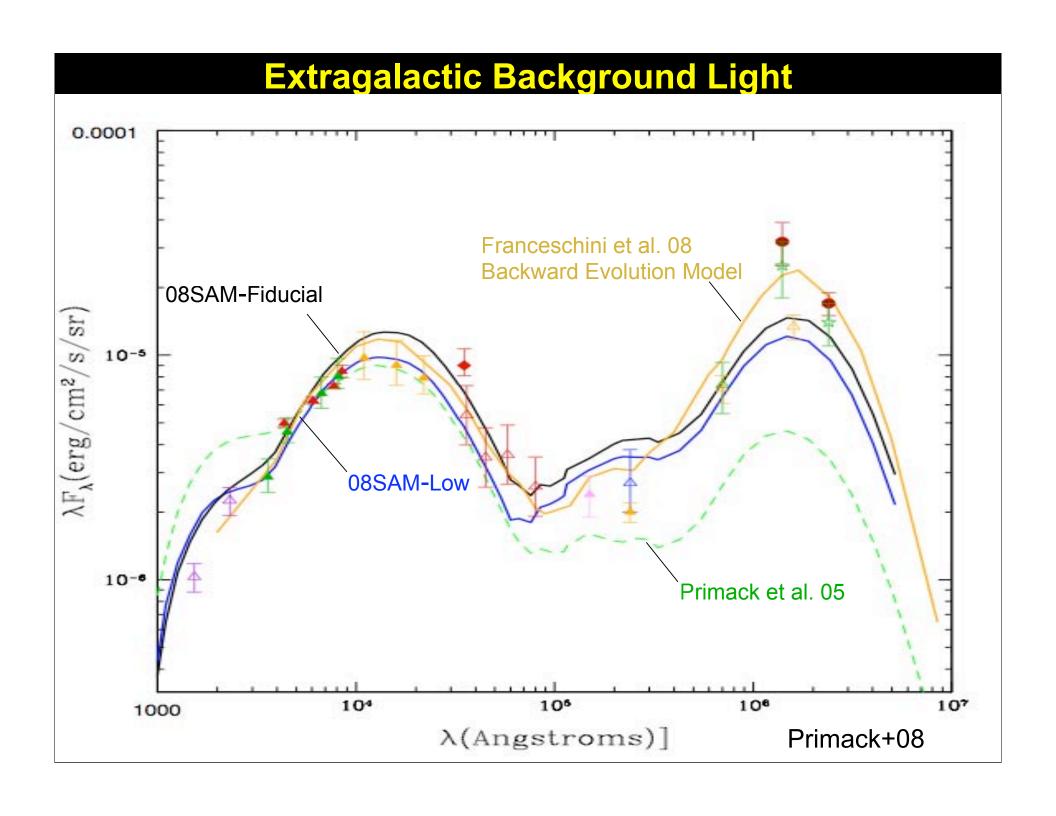
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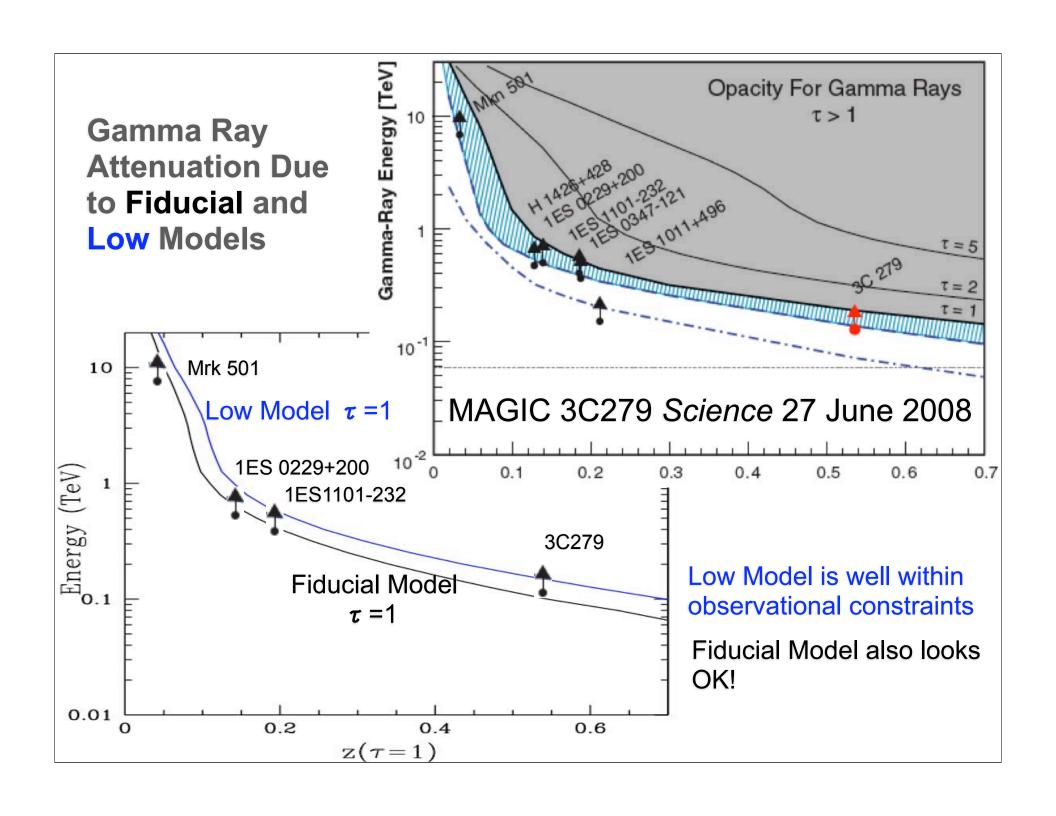


Discrepancy: SFR indicators or IMF evolution?

Somerville et al. 2008







#### **Conclusions**

- High resolution DM simulations show halo substructure. New hydrodynamic simulations are increasingly able to explain galaxy formation. At z>2, even massive halos have cold streams bringing in gas that quickly forms stars. At z<2 this only happens for  $M_{halo} < 10^{12}$ .
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