

Constraining σ_8 and Ω_m with the Velocity Distribution Function

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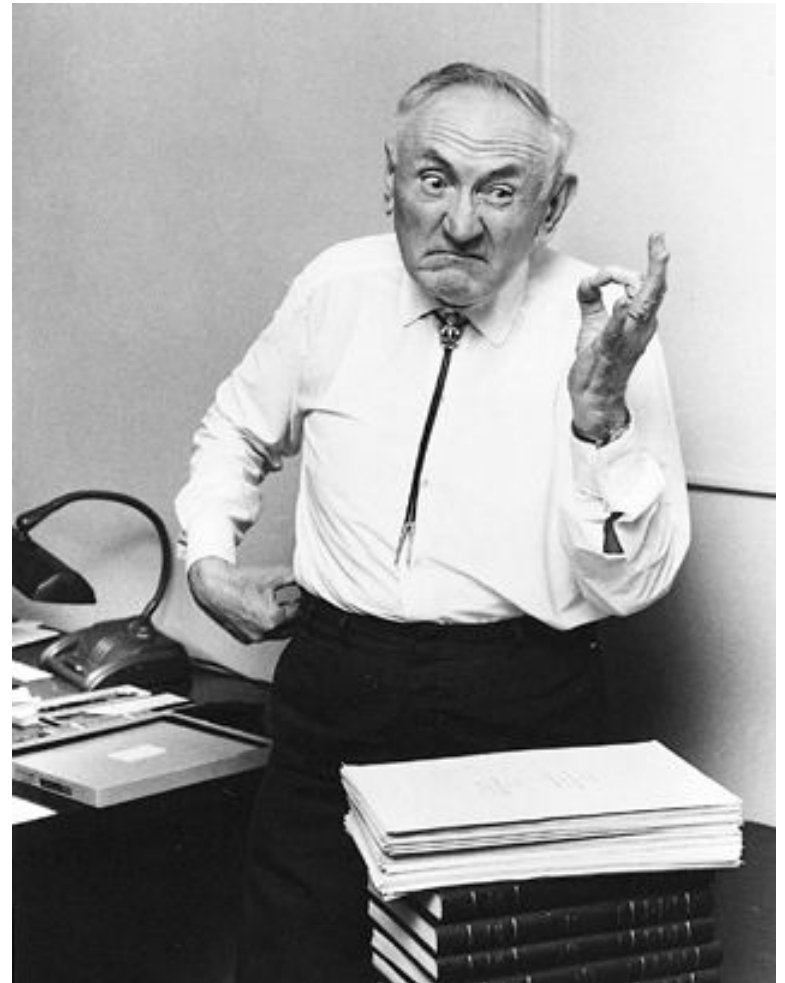
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Scheinbare Geschwindigkeiten im Comahaufen.

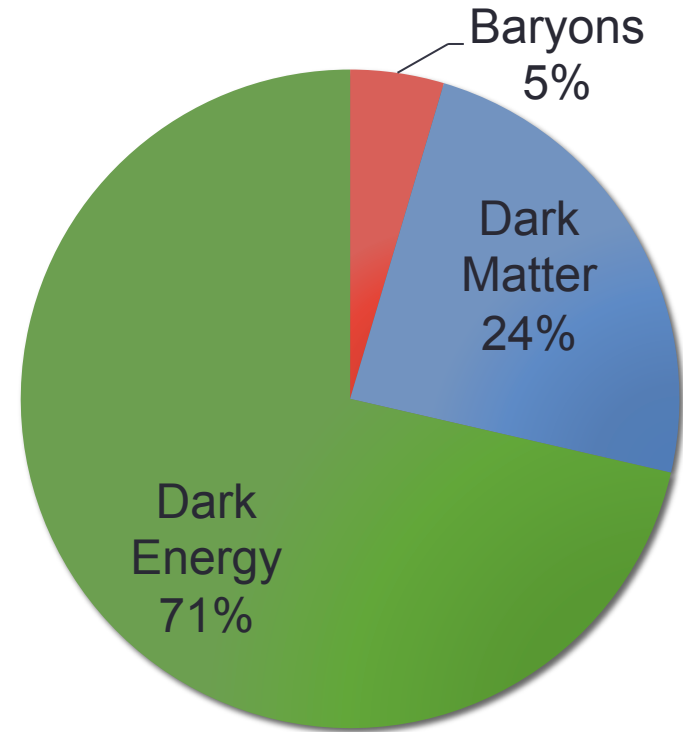
$v = 8500$ km/sek	6900 km/sek
7900	6700
7600	6600
7000	5100 (?)

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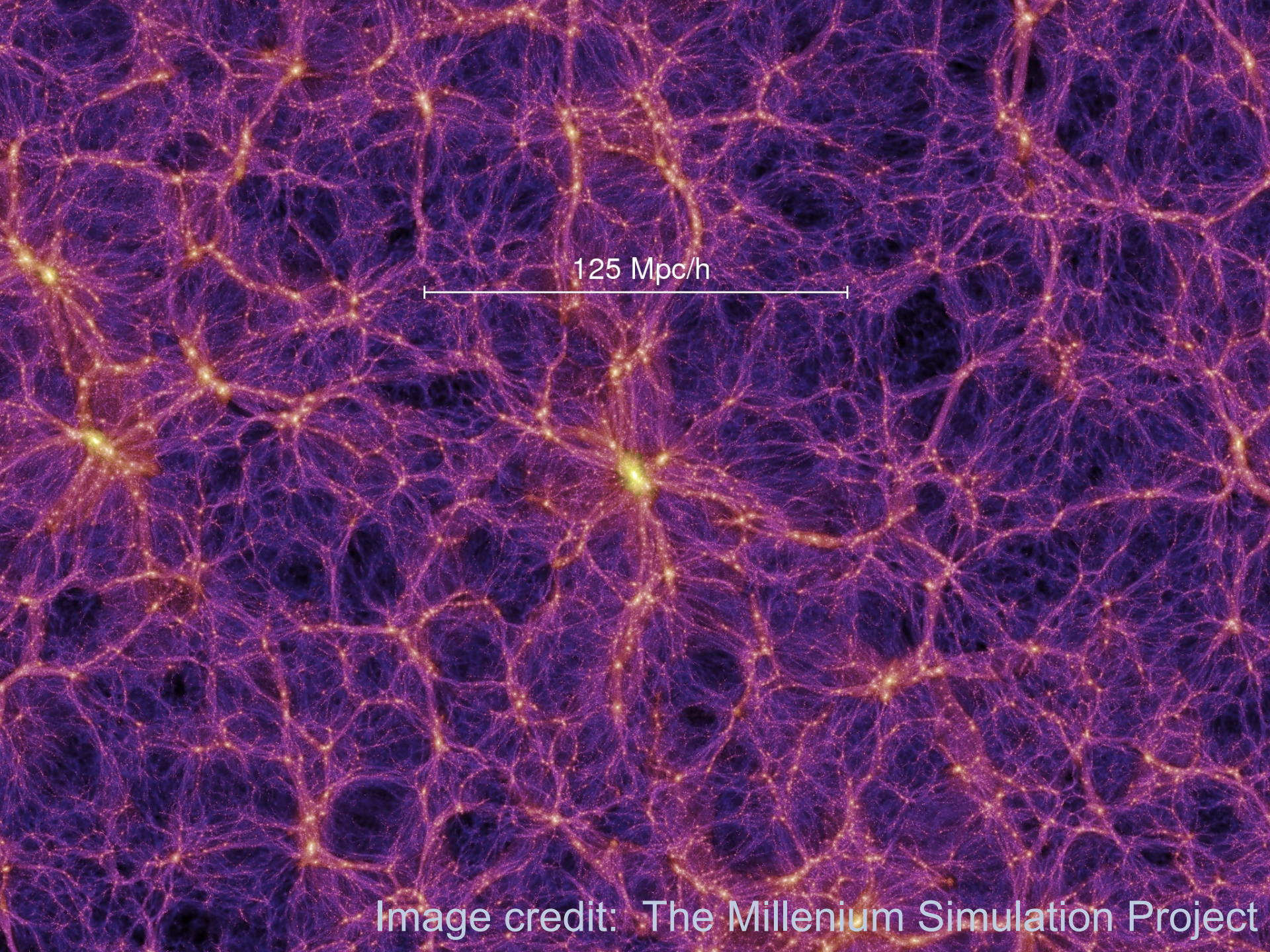
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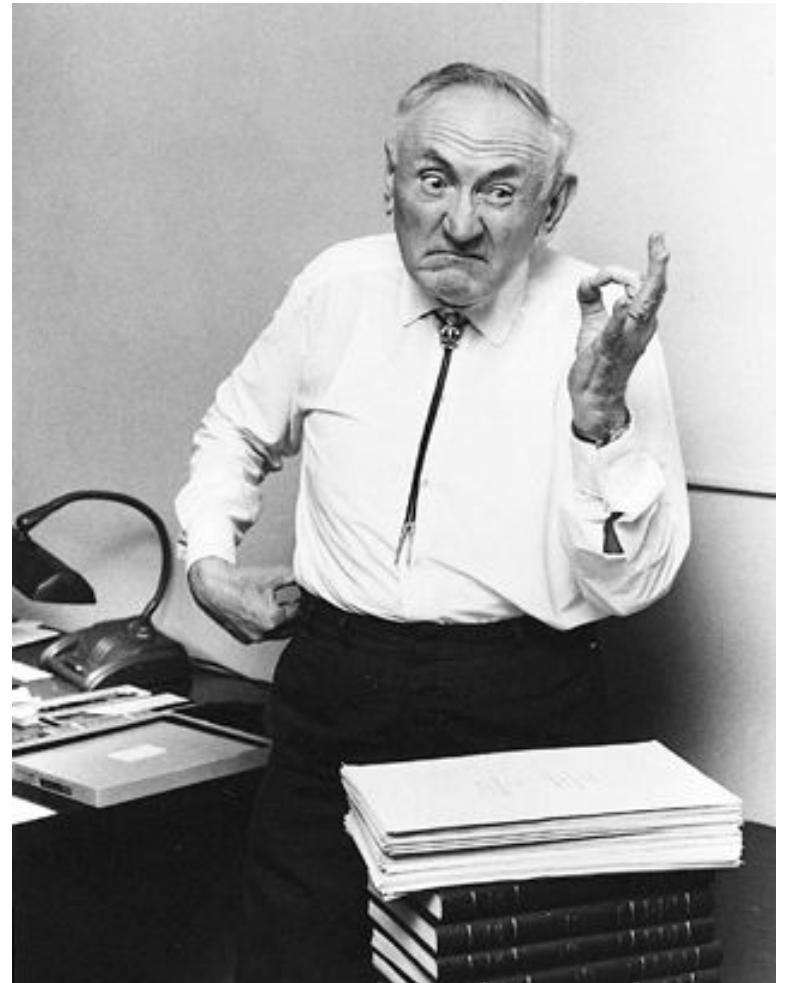
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125 Mpc/h

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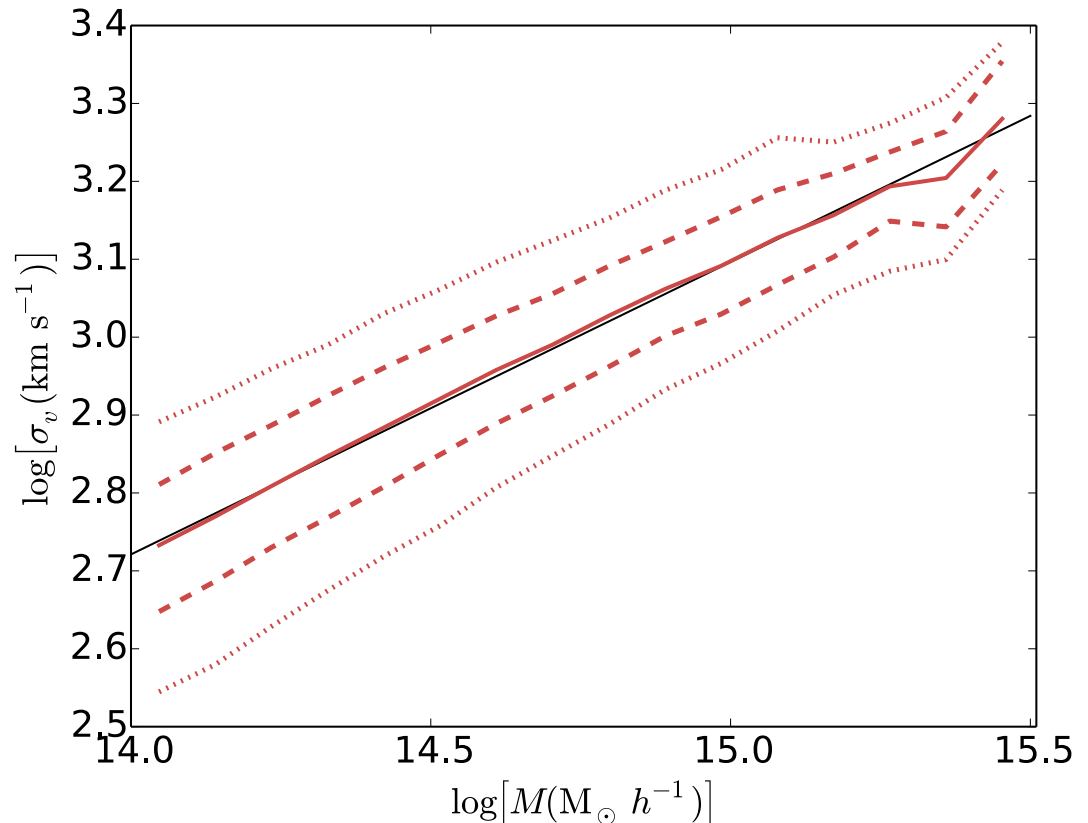
$$\sigma_v \propto M^{1/3}$$

$M(\sigma)$ POWER LAW

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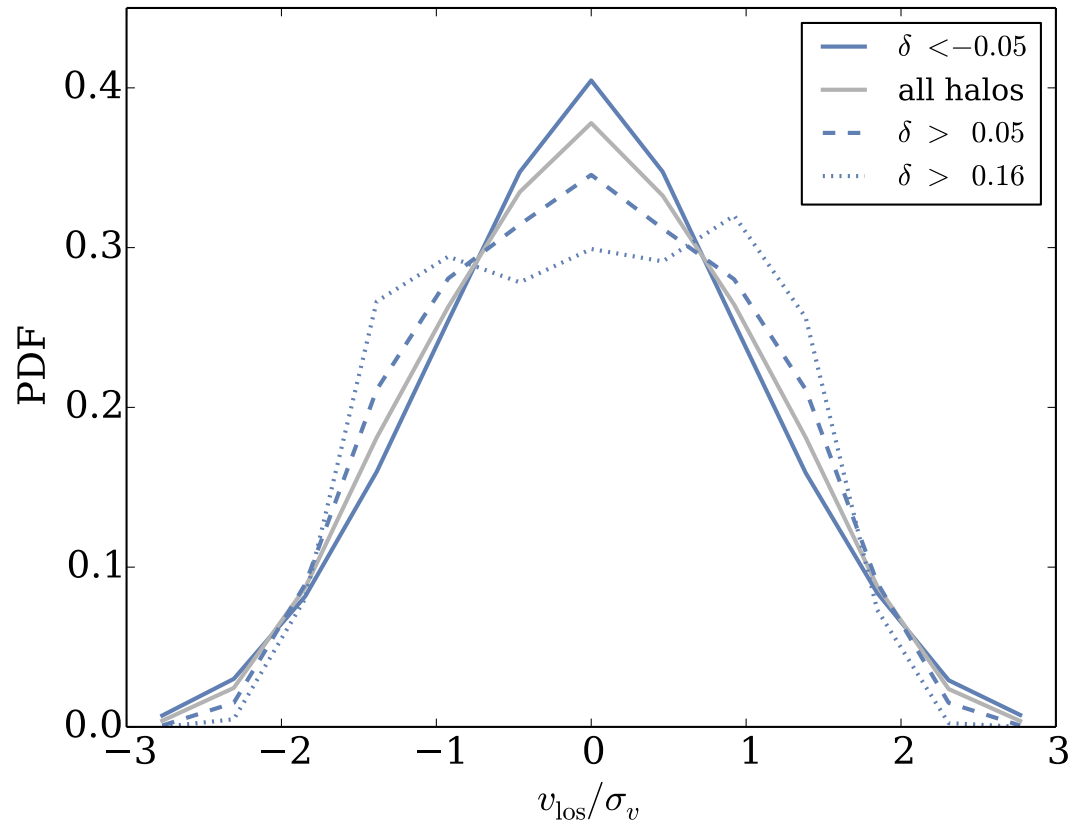
Reasons for scatter:

- triaxiality
- infalling matter or mergers
- galaxy selection
- bias between dark matter particle dispersion & galaxy dispersion



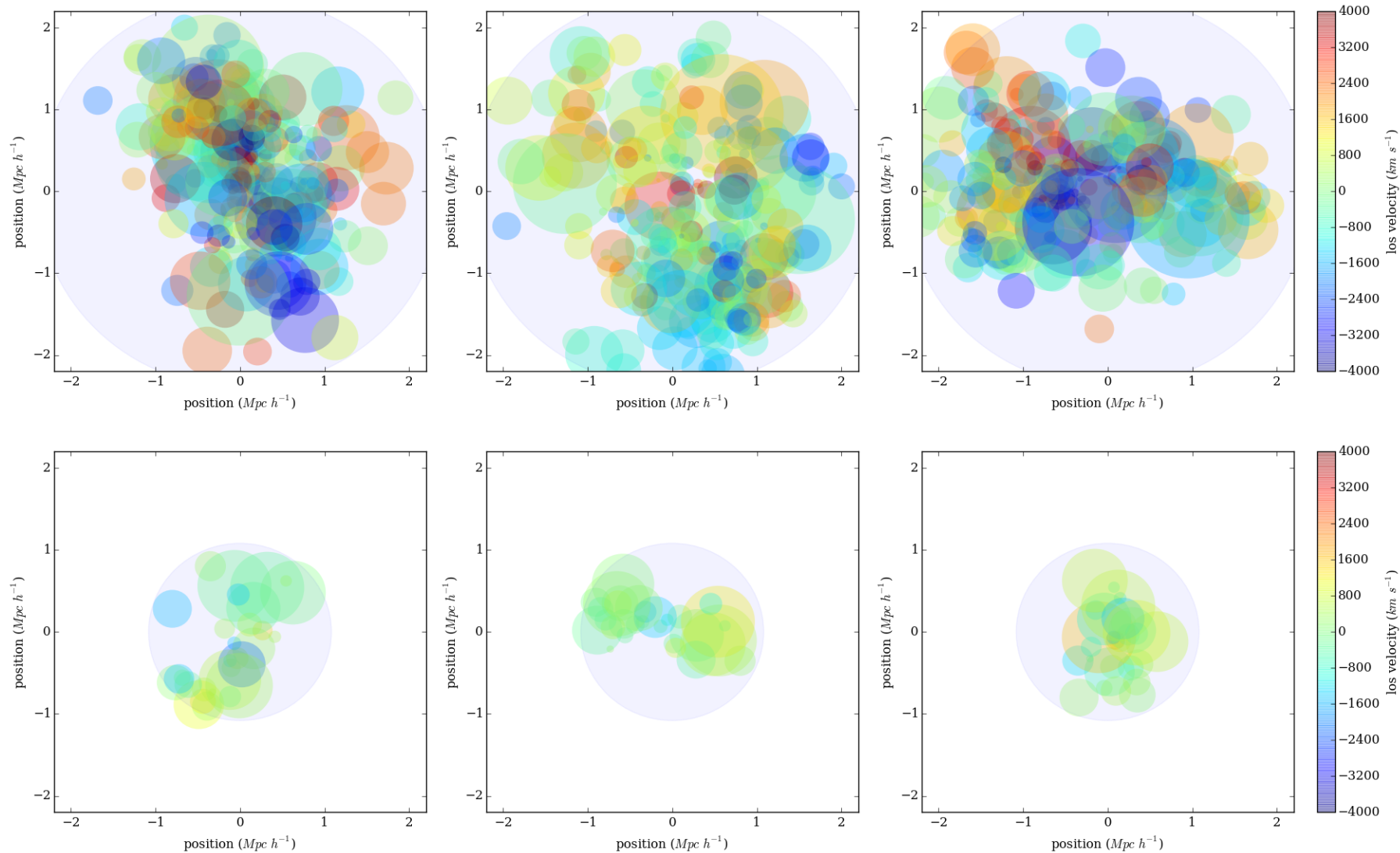
Signatures in the Velocity PDF

- Infalling matter & mergers lead to flatter velocity distributions

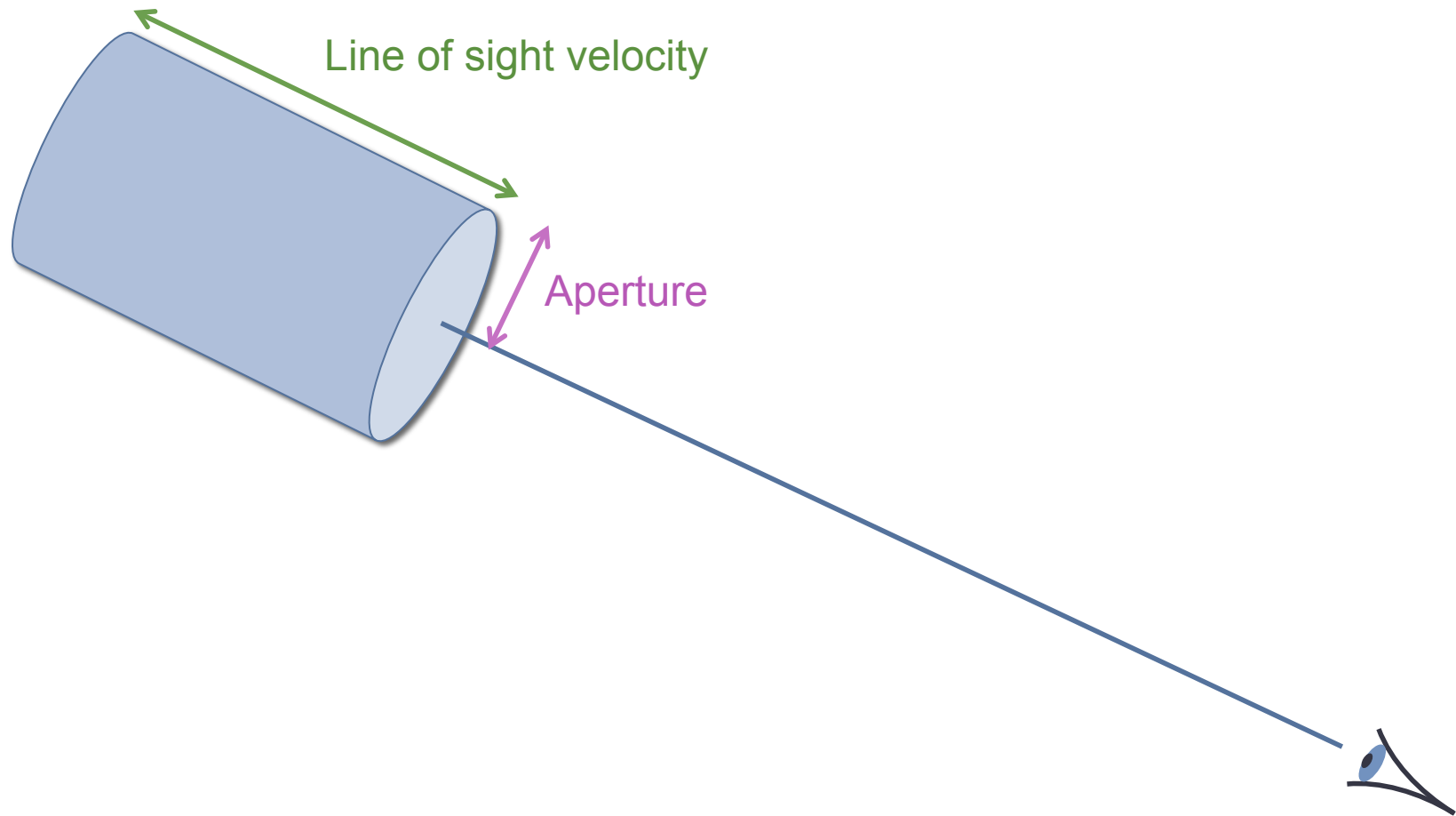


THE CLUSTER CATALOG

Ideal Cluster Catalog



Impure Cluster Catalog

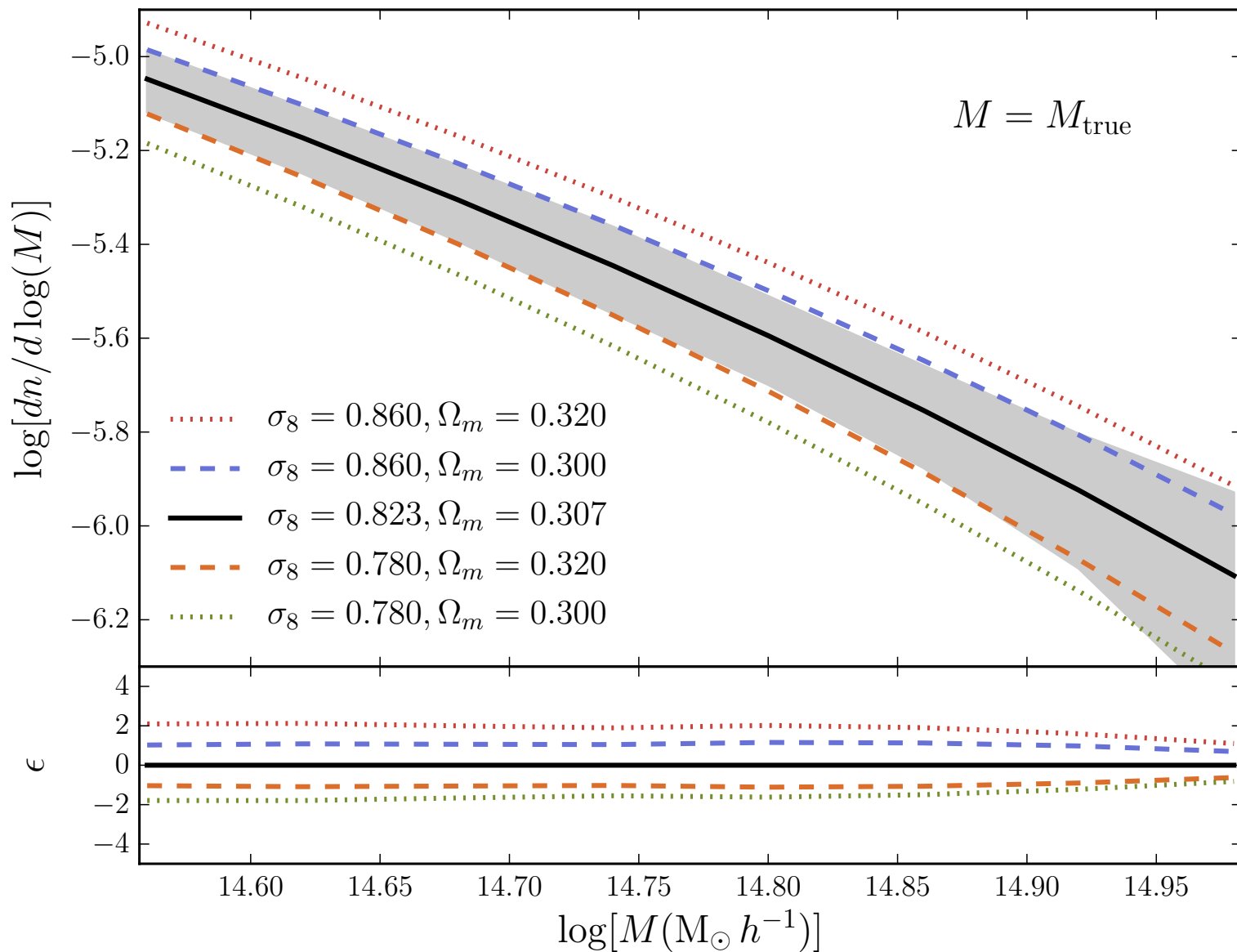


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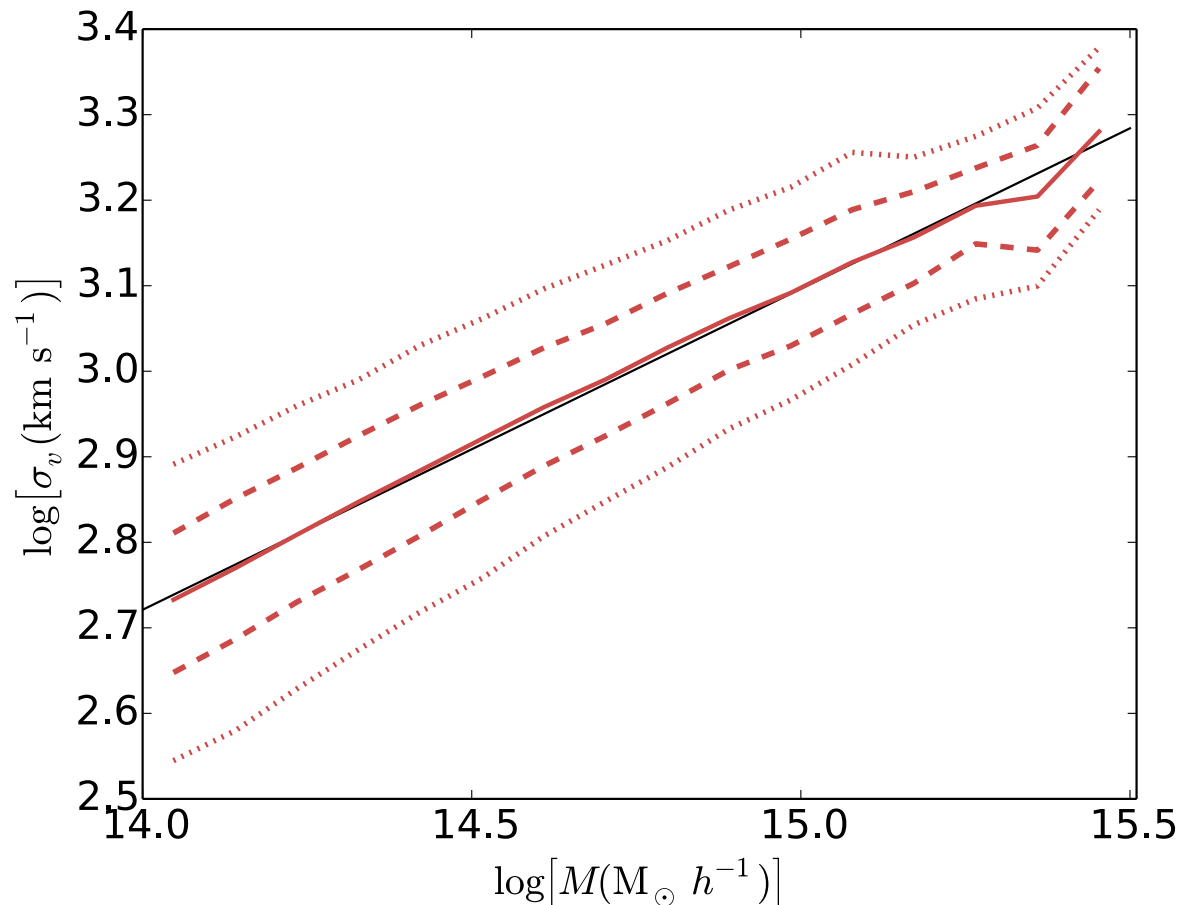
It's impolite to ask a galaxy cluster its mass.

Halo Mass Function



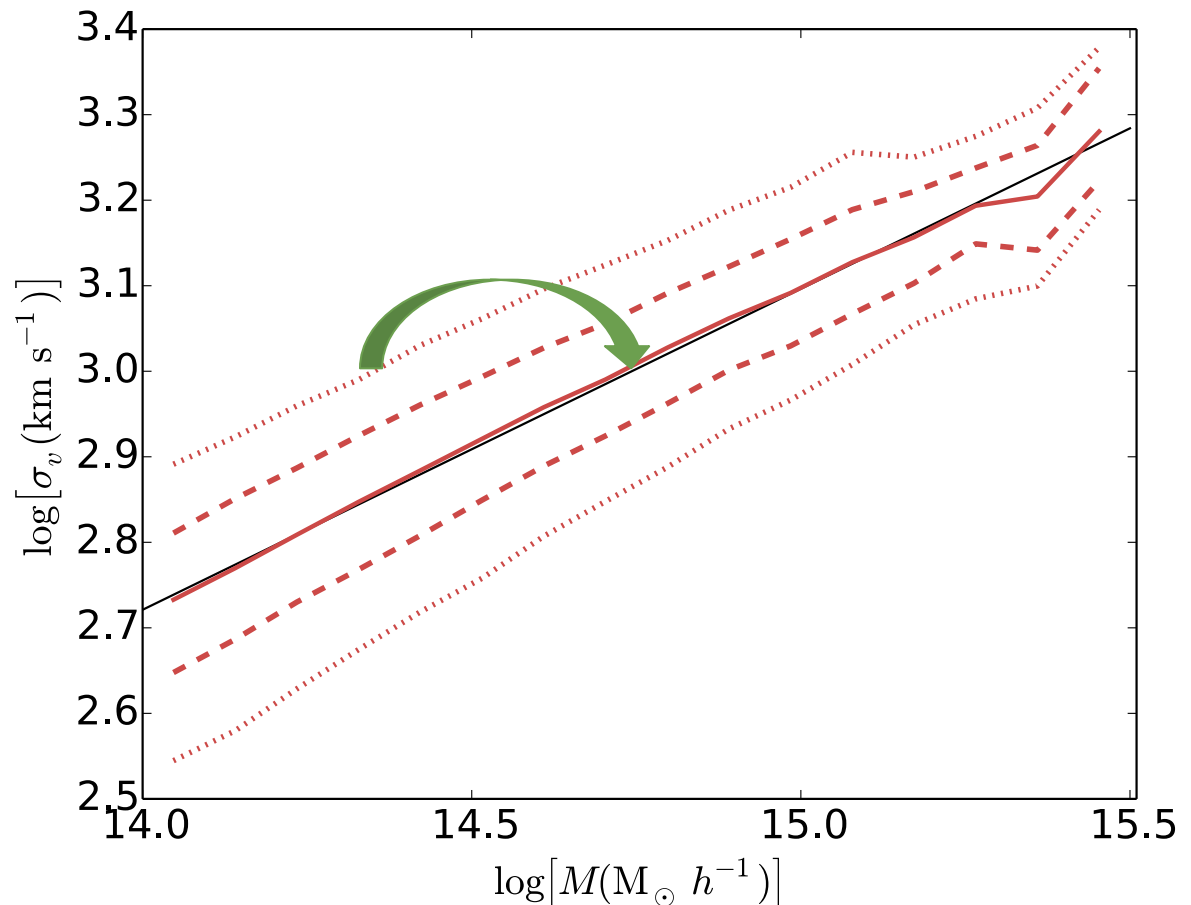
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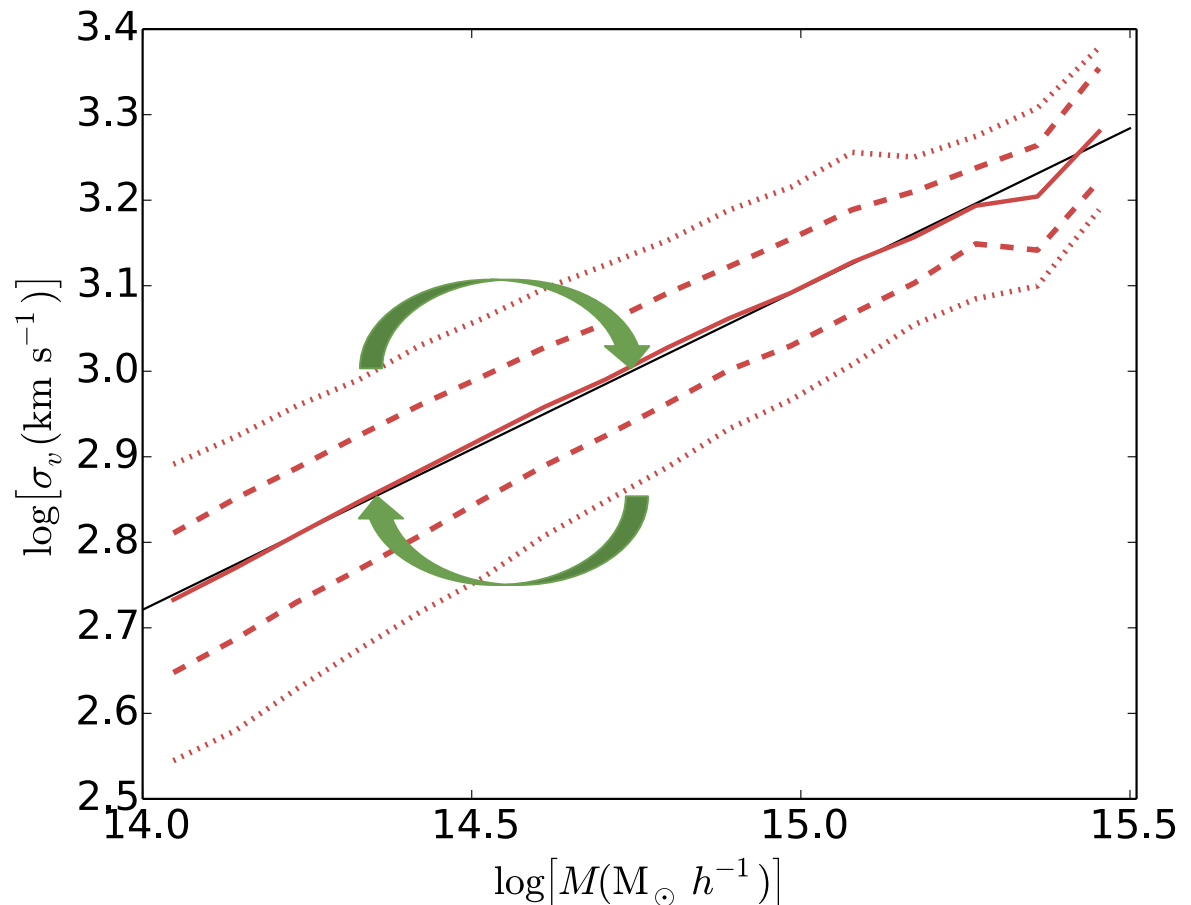
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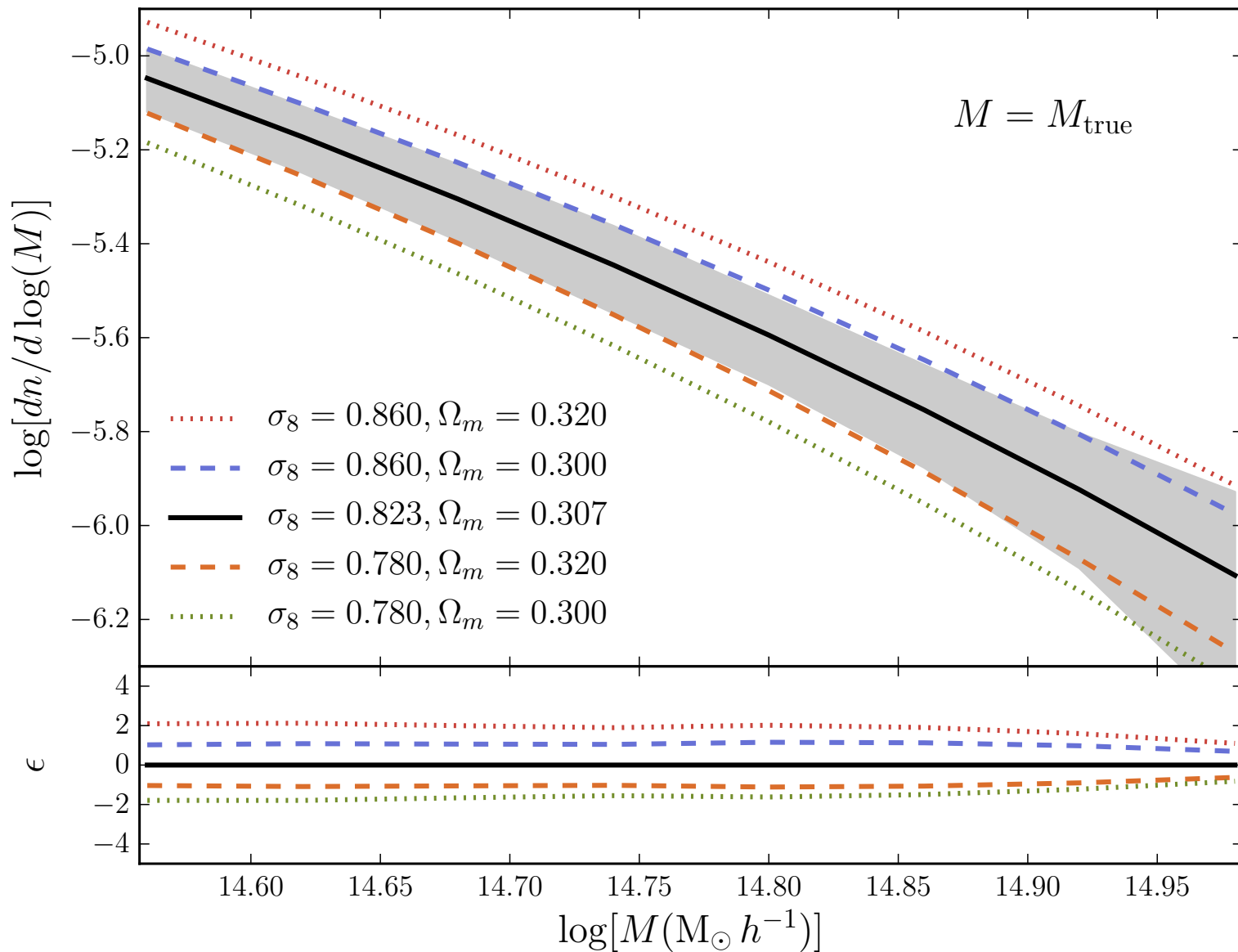


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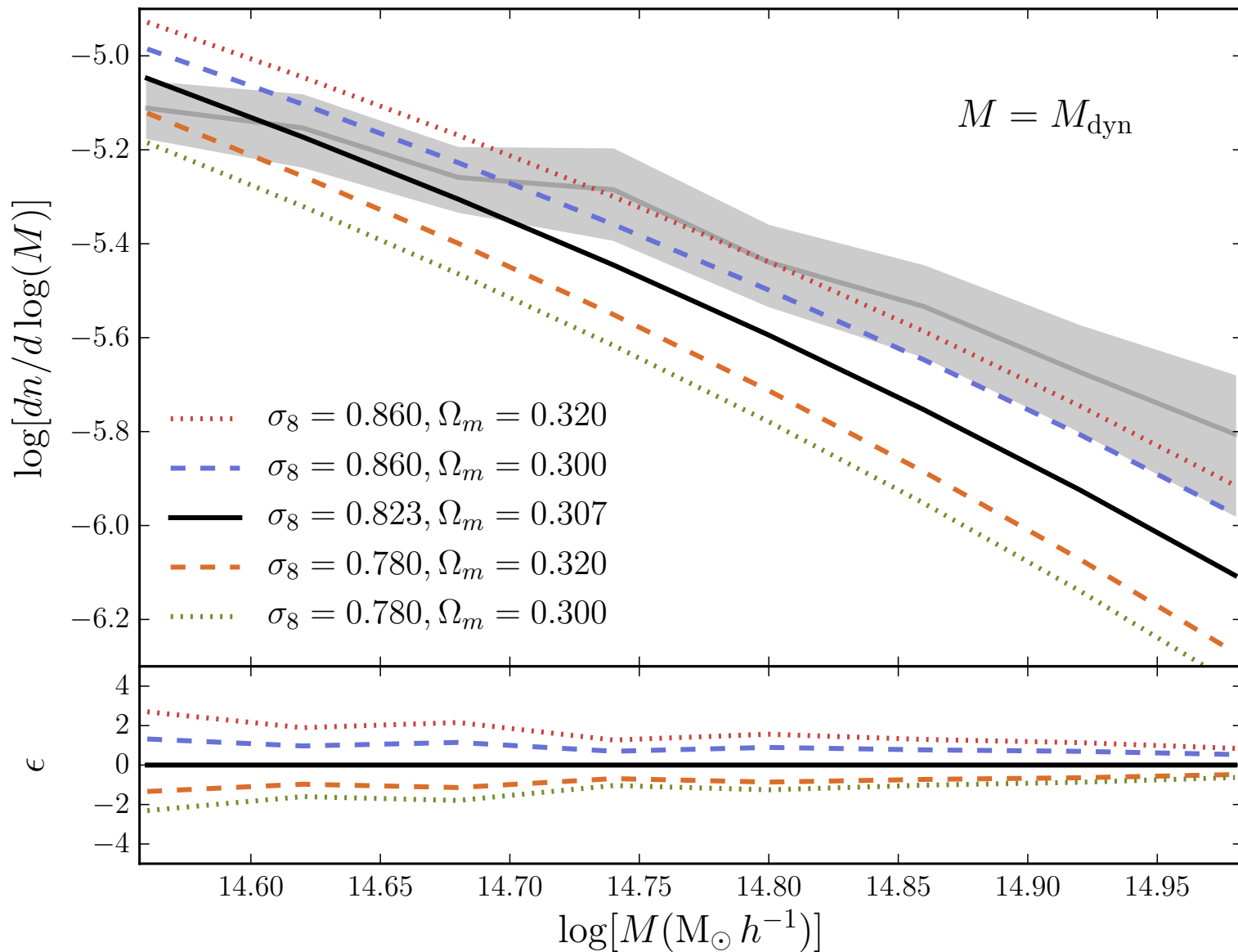
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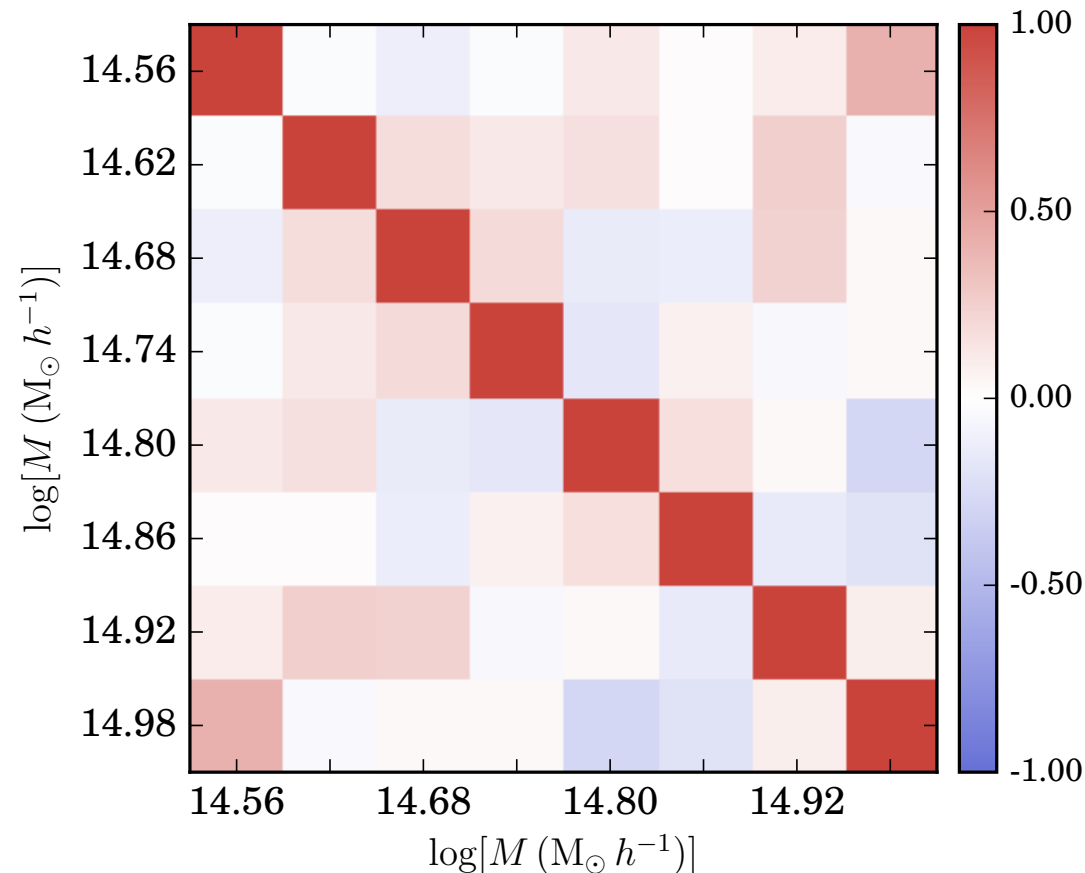


Halo Mass Function



χ^2 analysis for constraining σ_8 & Ω_m

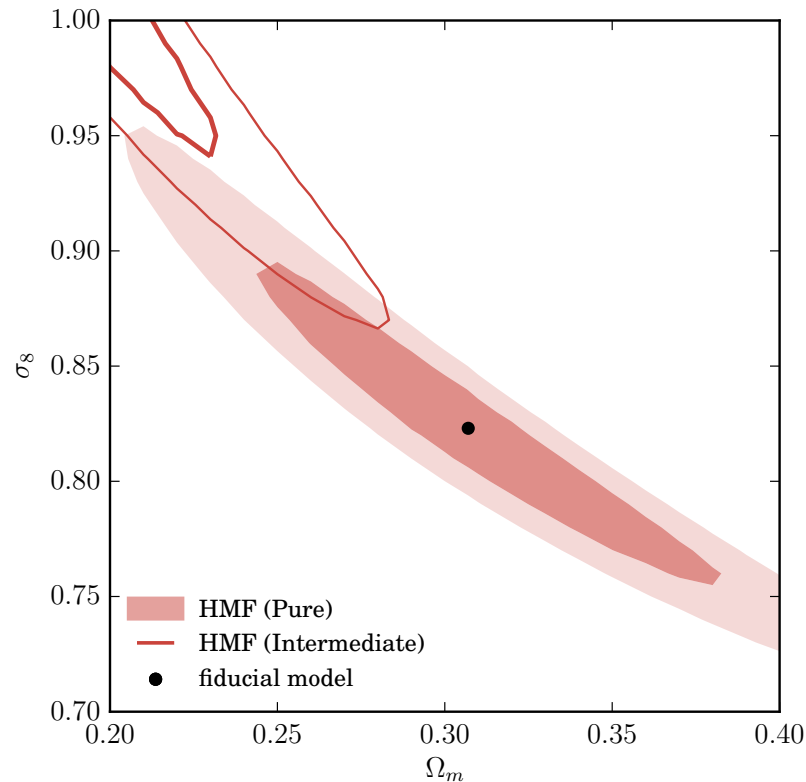
$$\chi^2(y|\sigma_8, \Omega_m) = (\bar{y} - y^\star)^T \hat{\Psi}^{-1} (\bar{y} - y^\star)$$



- Compare the mock observed HMF to that predicted by an analytic HMF.

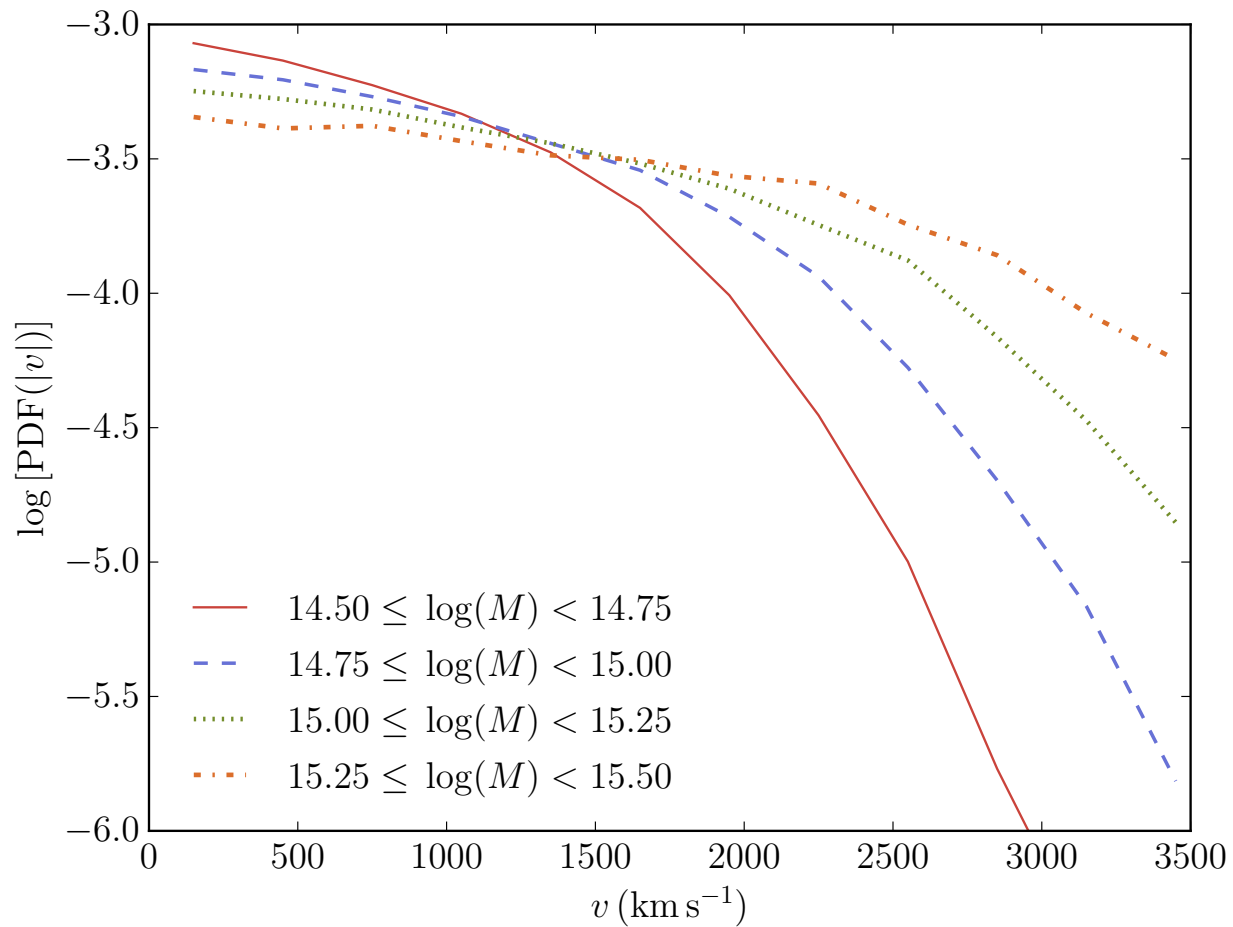
Constraining Cosmological Models

- Measurement error biases to low Ω_m and high σ_8 .
- Fiducial model lies outside of the 99% likelihood contour.



A FORWARD MODELING
APPROACH:
The Velocity Distribution
Function (Mocks)

Velocity PDF

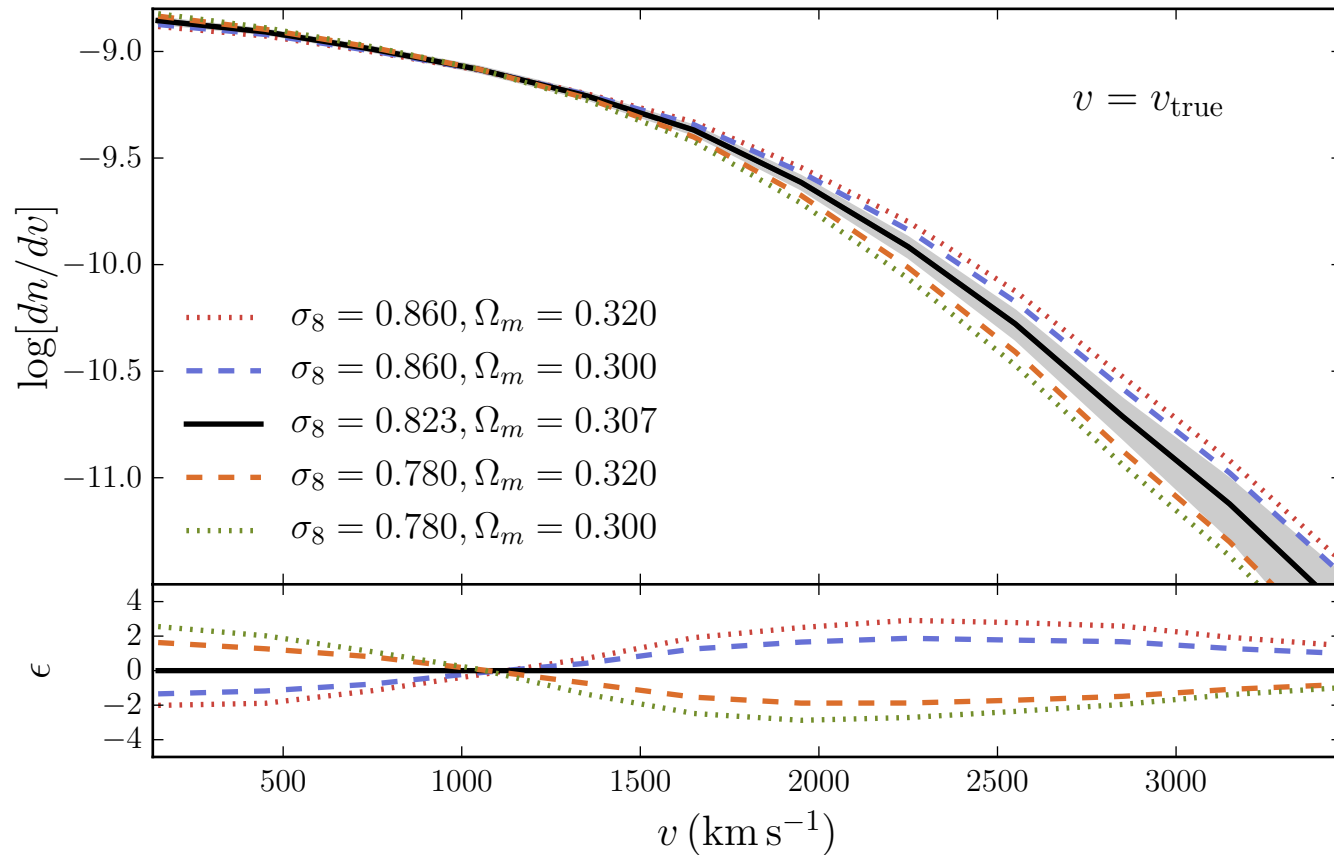


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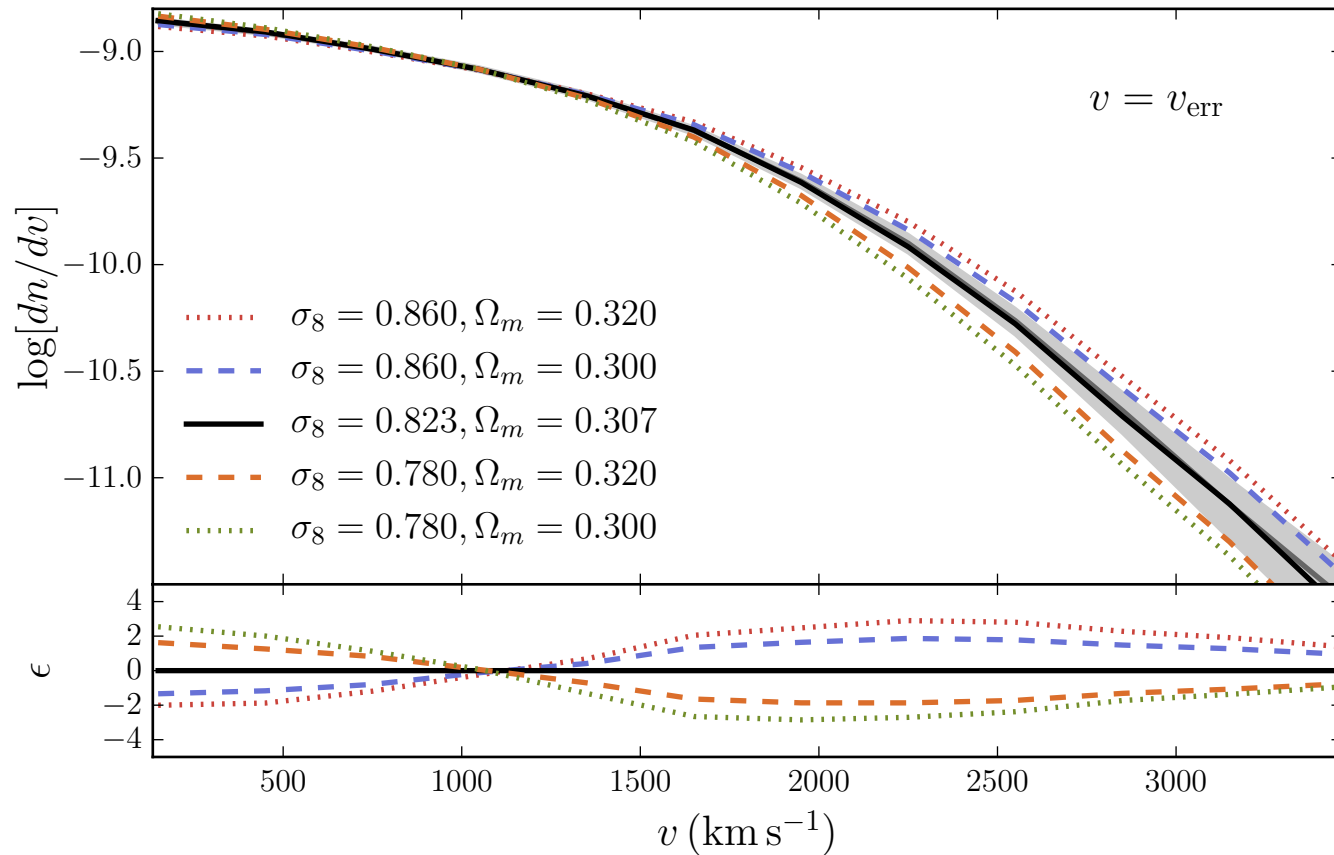
$$\frac{dn}{dv}(v) \equiv \frac{1}{V} \sum_{i=1}^N [\text{PDF}(|v|)]_i$$

- Sum the most massive or the richest - or simply the observed - clusters in a volume

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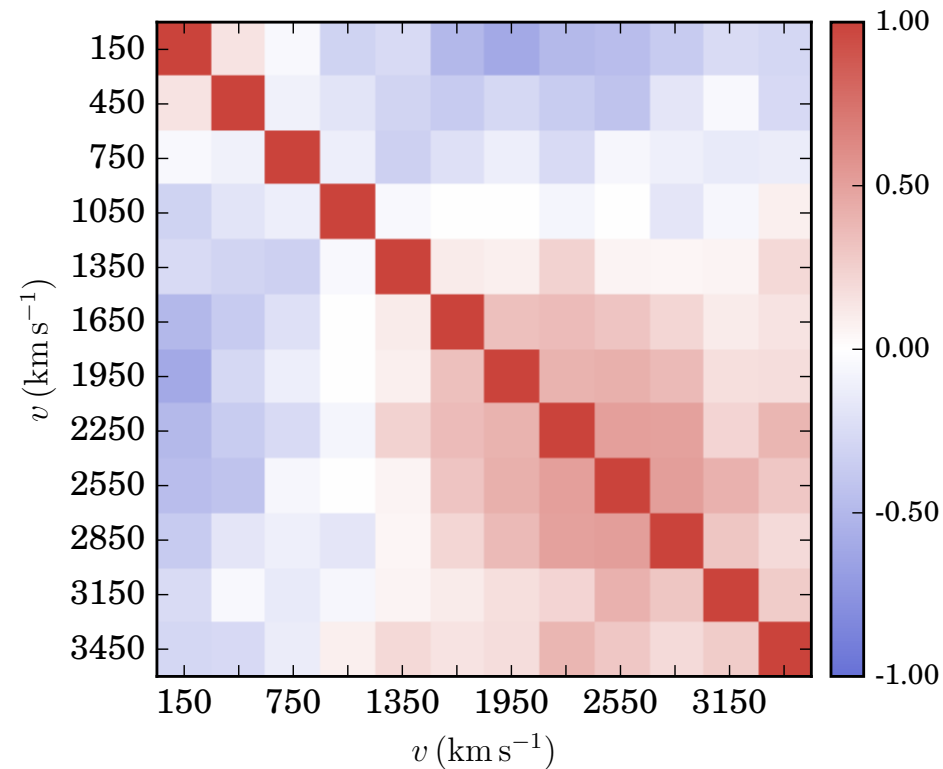


Velocity Distribution Function with velocity error



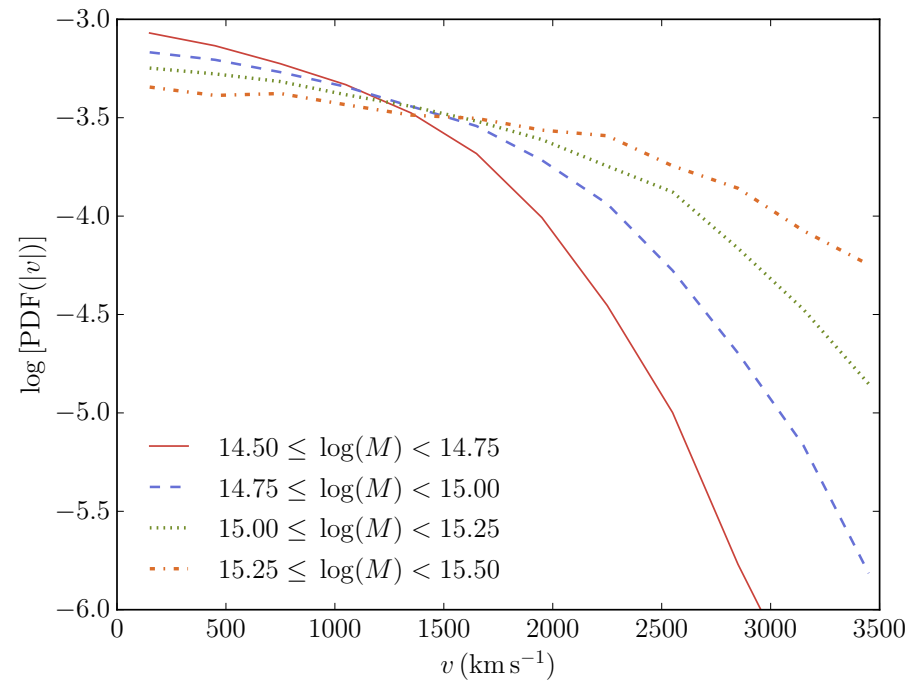
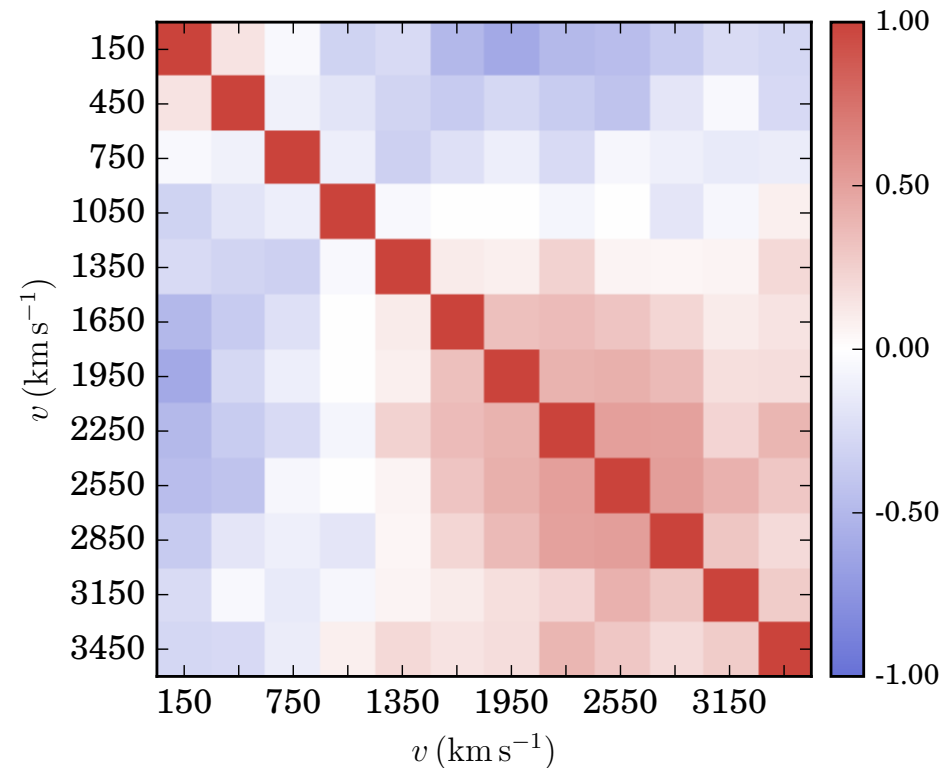
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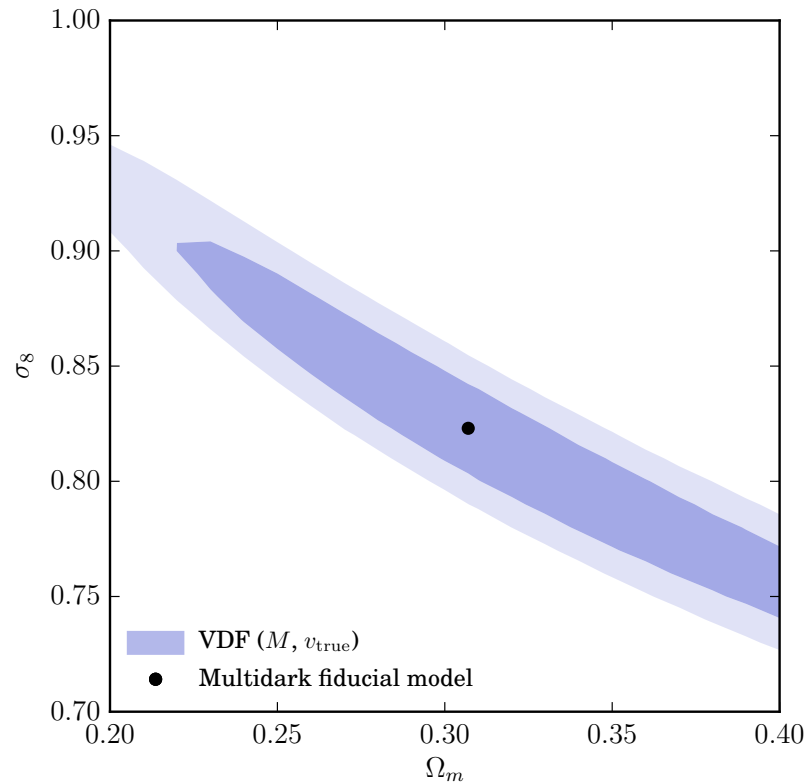
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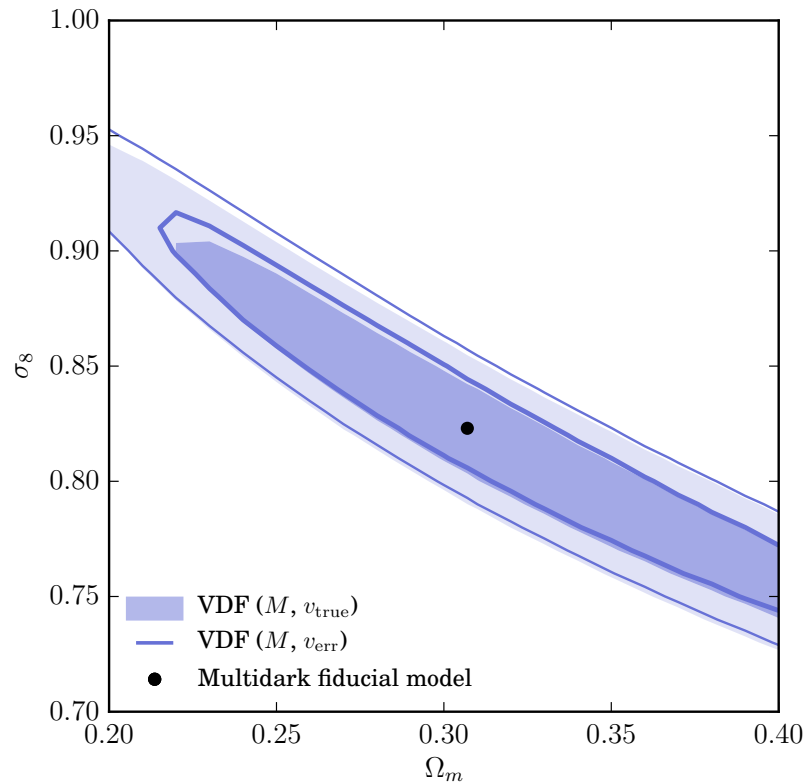
Constraining Cosmological Models with the VDF

- Constraints can be approximated as a band in the Ω_m - σ_8 plane.



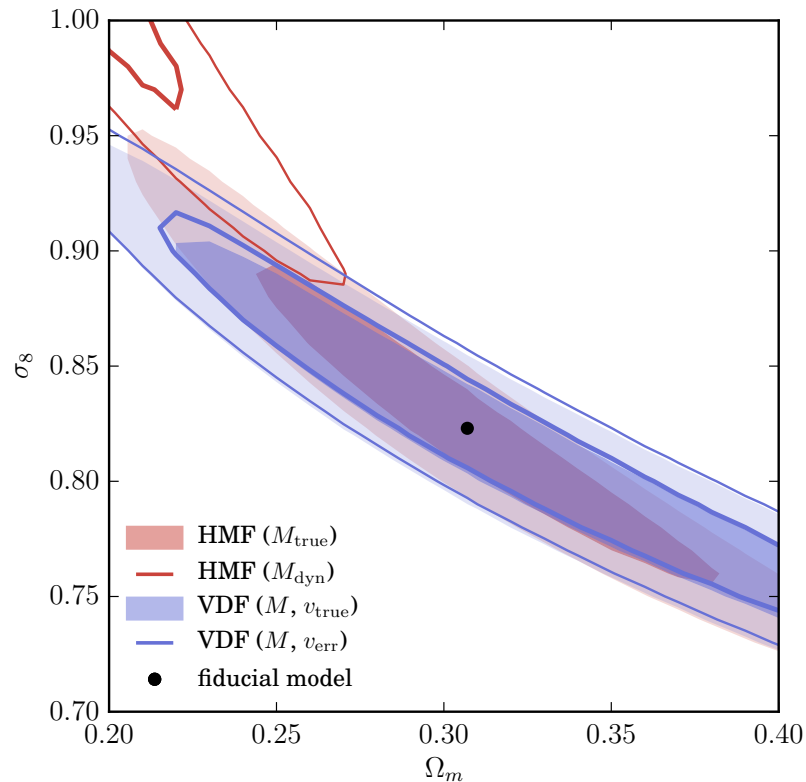
Constraining Cosmological Models with the VDF

- Measurement error introduces a nearly-negligible bias.



Constraining Cosmological Models with the VDF

- HMF and VDF give similar constraints *when true cluster properties are known*.
- VDF is less sensitive to measurement error than the HMF.



PRELIMINARY COSMOLOGICAL
CONSTRAINTS WITH THE
VDF APPLIED TO
HECS-SZ CLUSTERS

HeCS-SZ Clusters

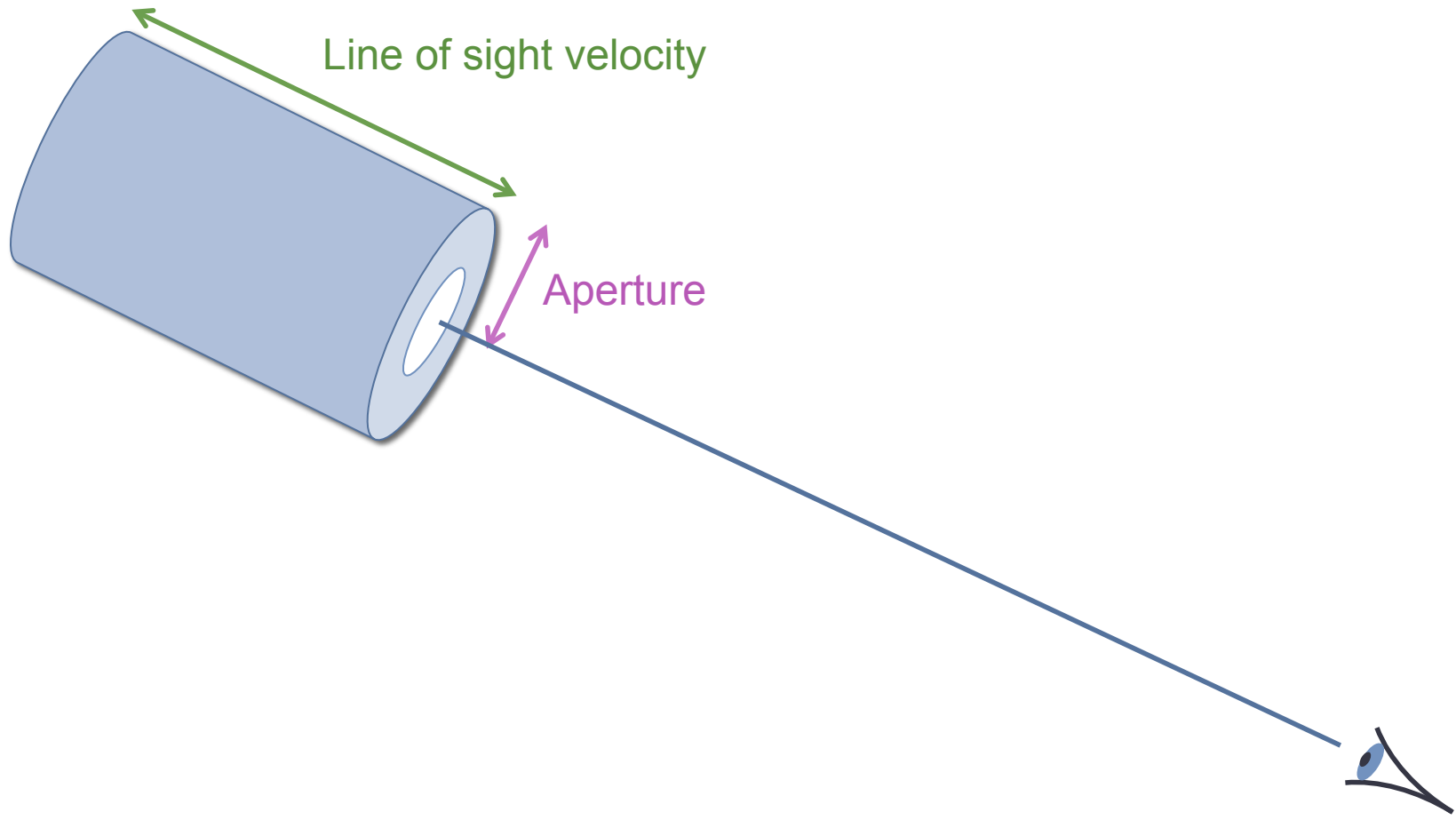
- Spectroscopic follow up of an SZ-complete survey of 83 clusters
- Selected from SDSS DR6 and DR10
- $z < 0.3$ with a footprint of 20%-28% of the full sky

HeCS-SZ: the Hectospec Survey of Sunyaev-Zeldovich-Selected Clusters.

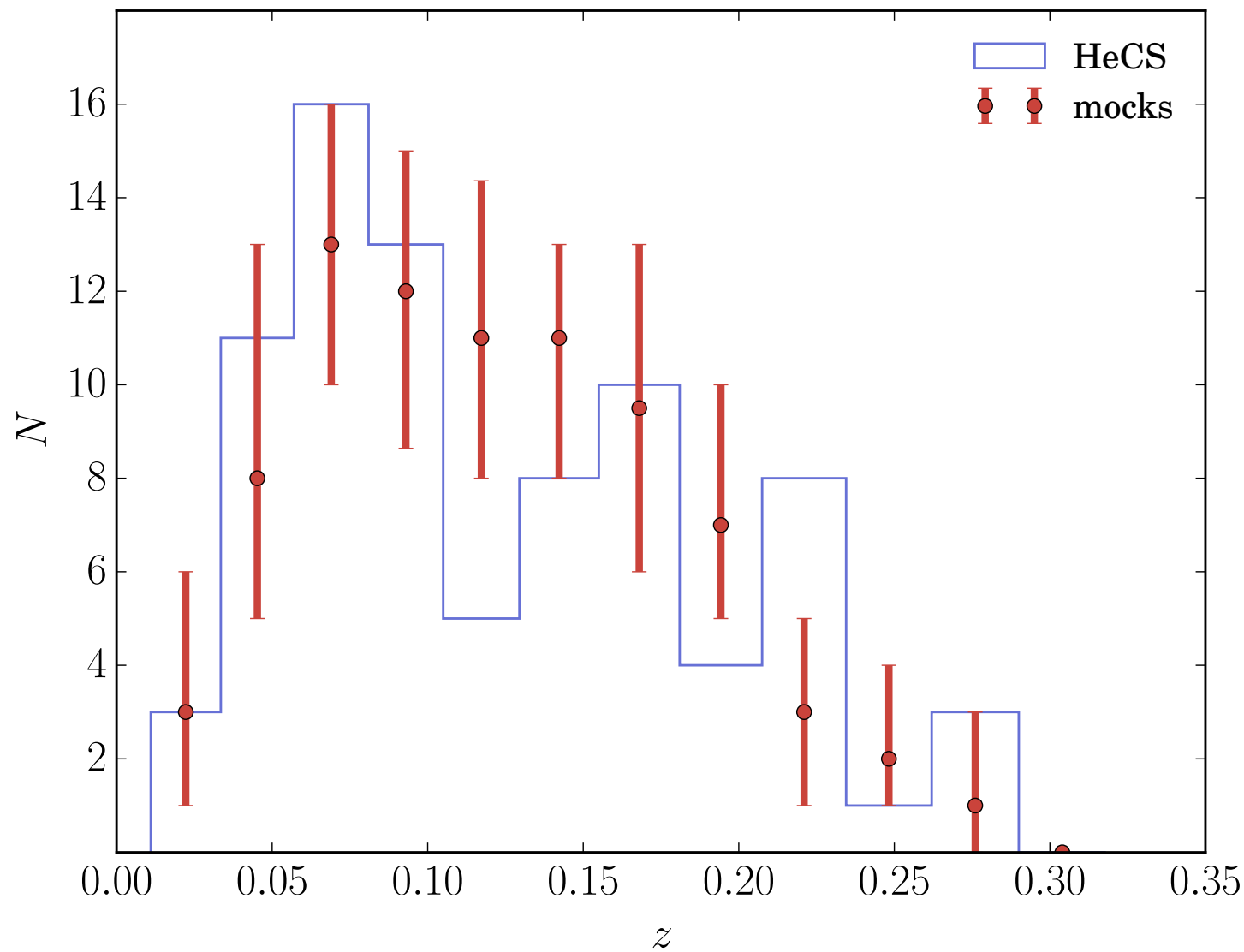
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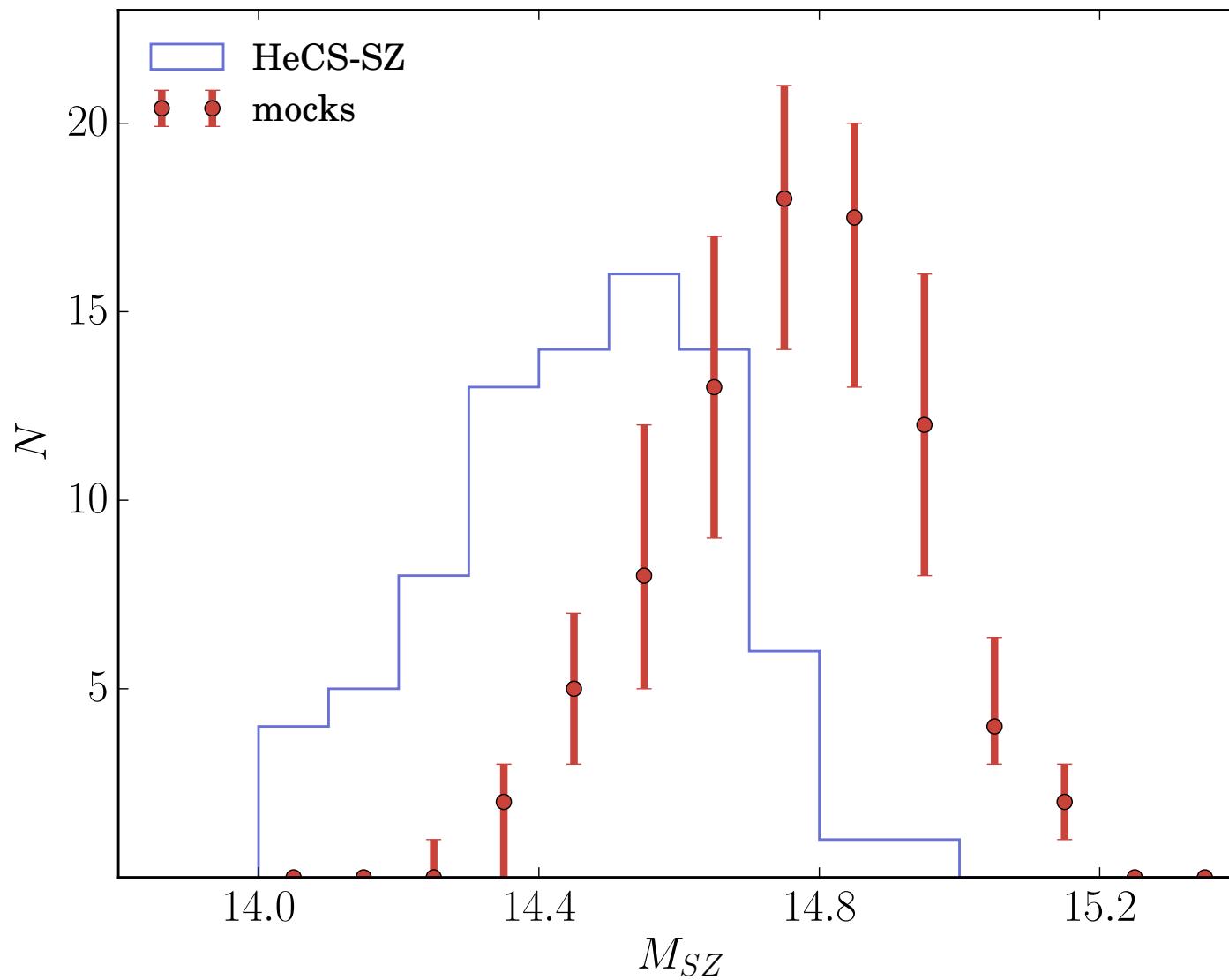
Interlopers



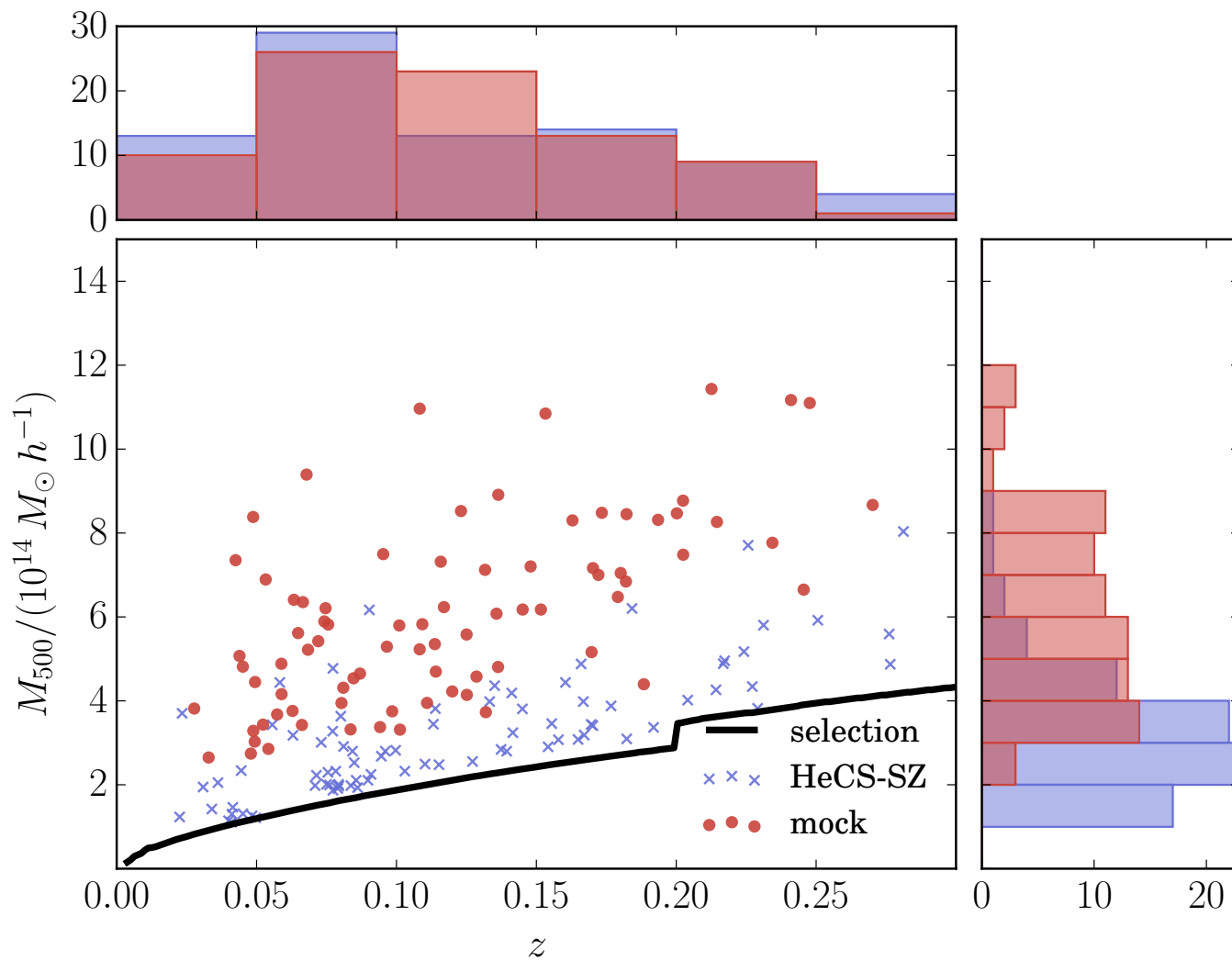
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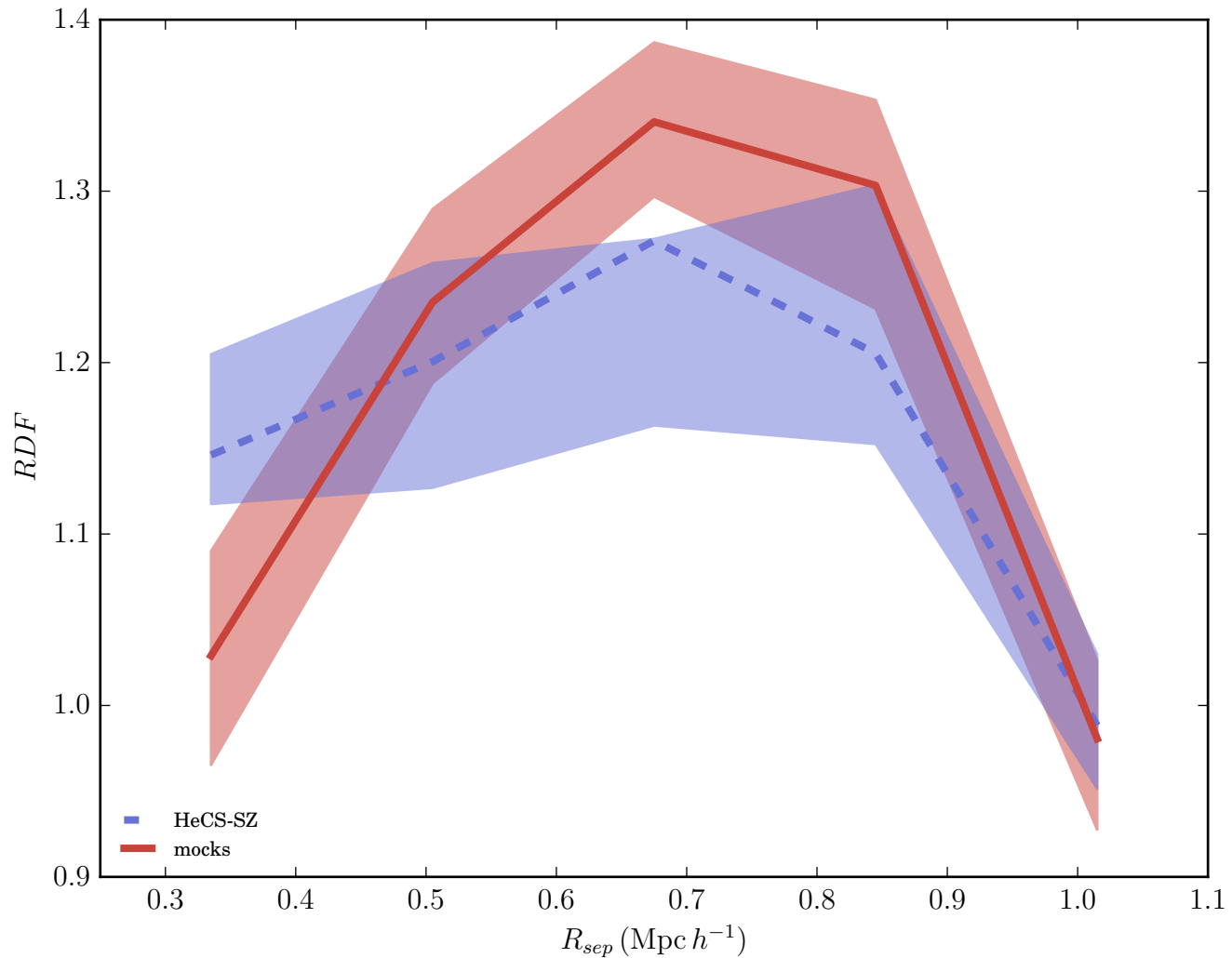
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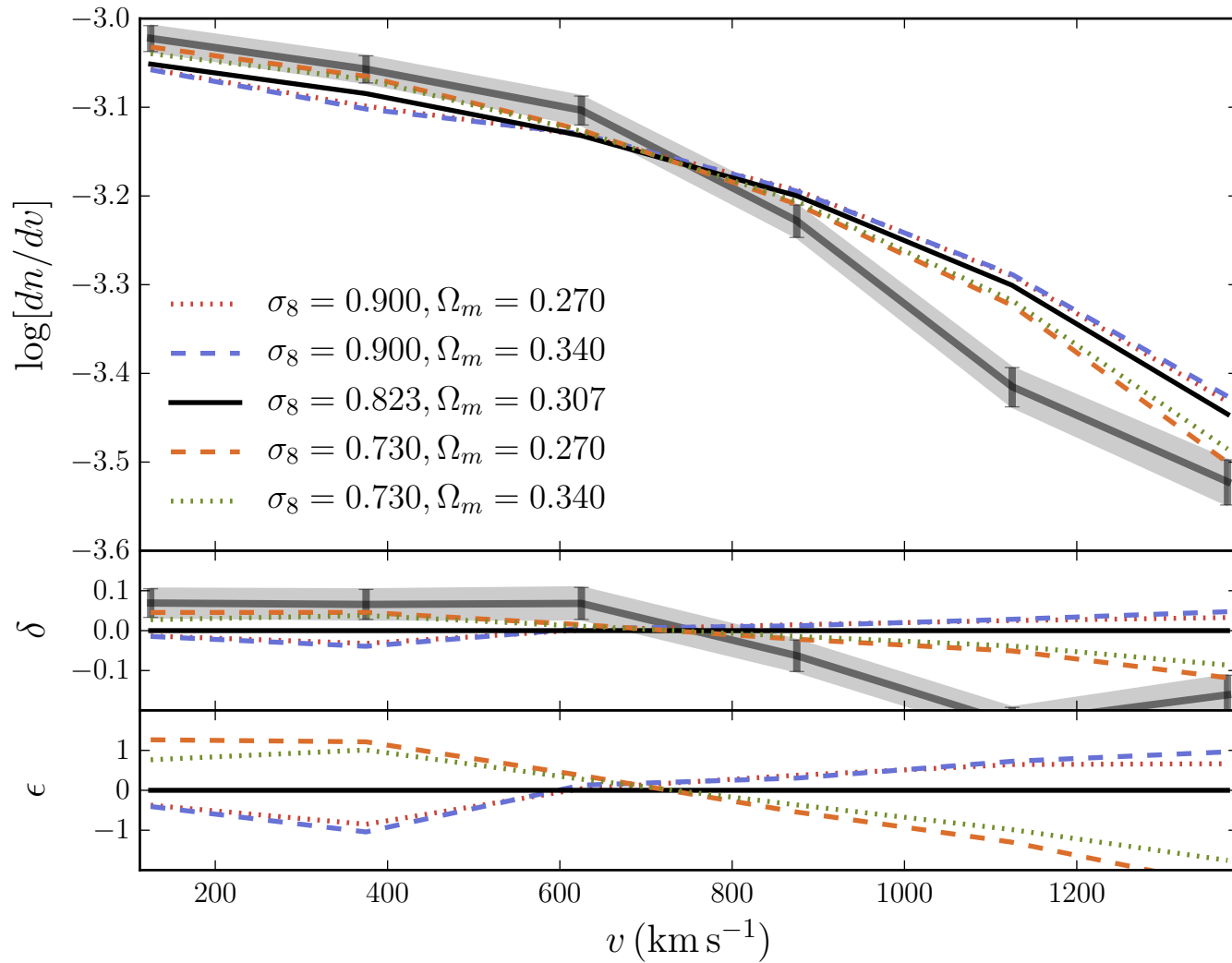
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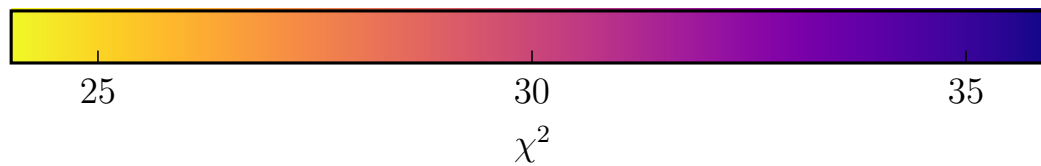
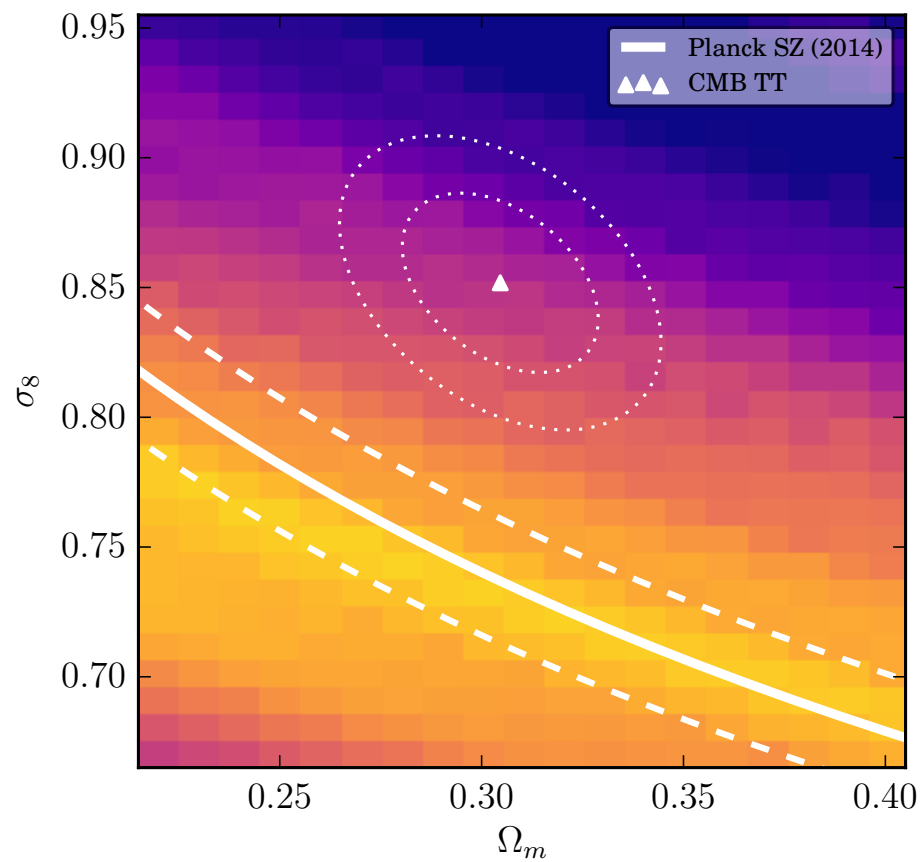
Radial Distribution of Galaxies



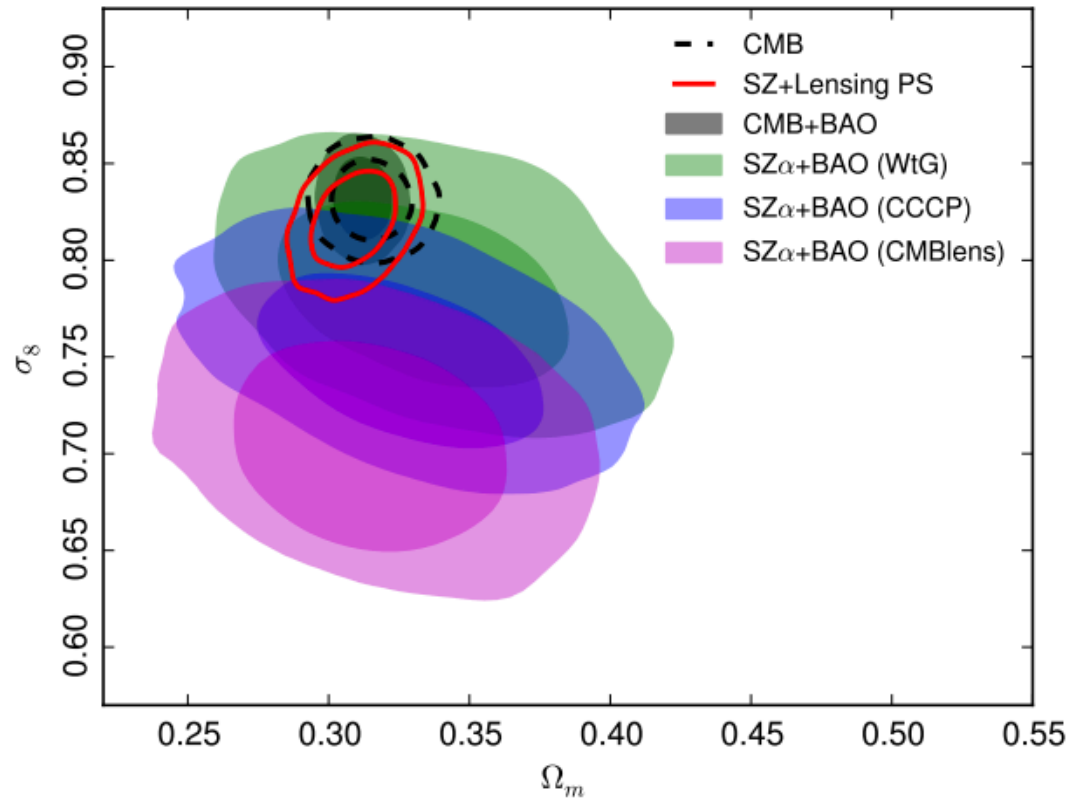
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Planck 2016 CMB & SZ Cluster Constraints



Highlights

- Forward modeling with the Velocity Distribution Function reduces bias in cosmological constraints caused by measurement error.
- Preliminary analysis of the HeCS-SZ clusters shows a tension with the CMB TT constraints (but in agreement with other LSS probes).