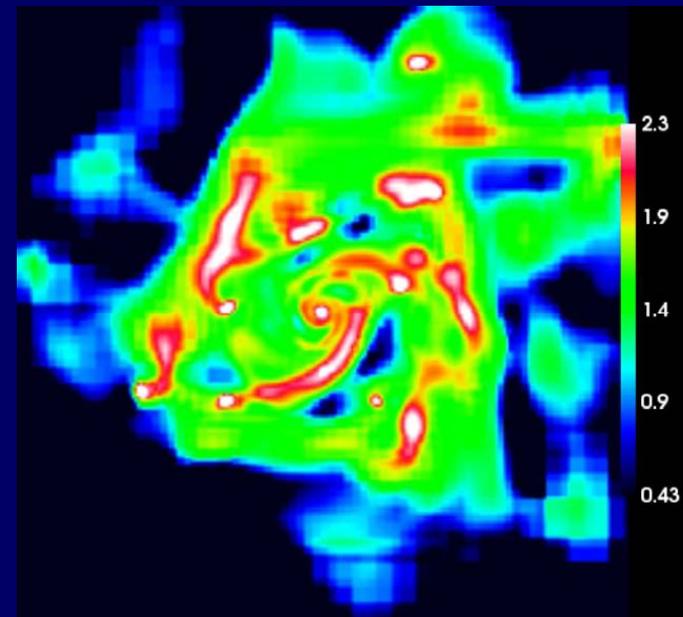
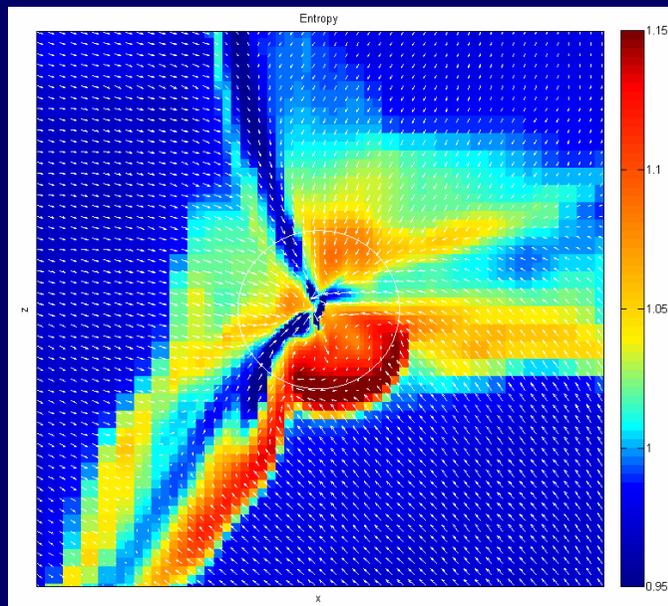


Galaxies from the Cosmic Web:  
**Cold Streams, Clumpy Disks  
& Compact Spheroids**

Avishai Dekel, HU Jerusalem  
IAP, December 2009

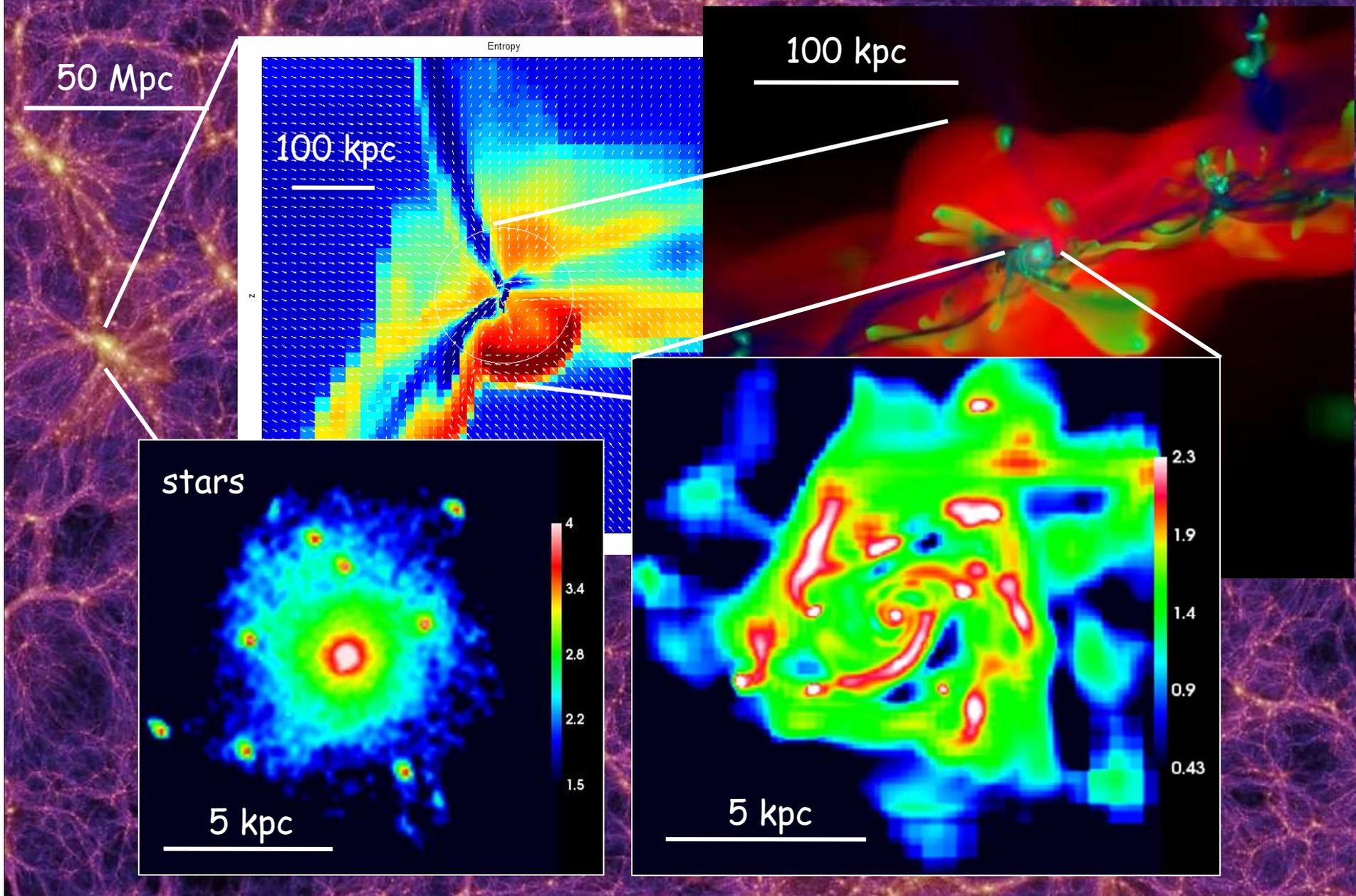


LCDM makes robust theoretical predictions  
for massive galaxy formation at high  $z$

Theory seems consistent with observations

Combined, they introduce a coherent picture

# Galaxies Emerge from the Cosmic Web



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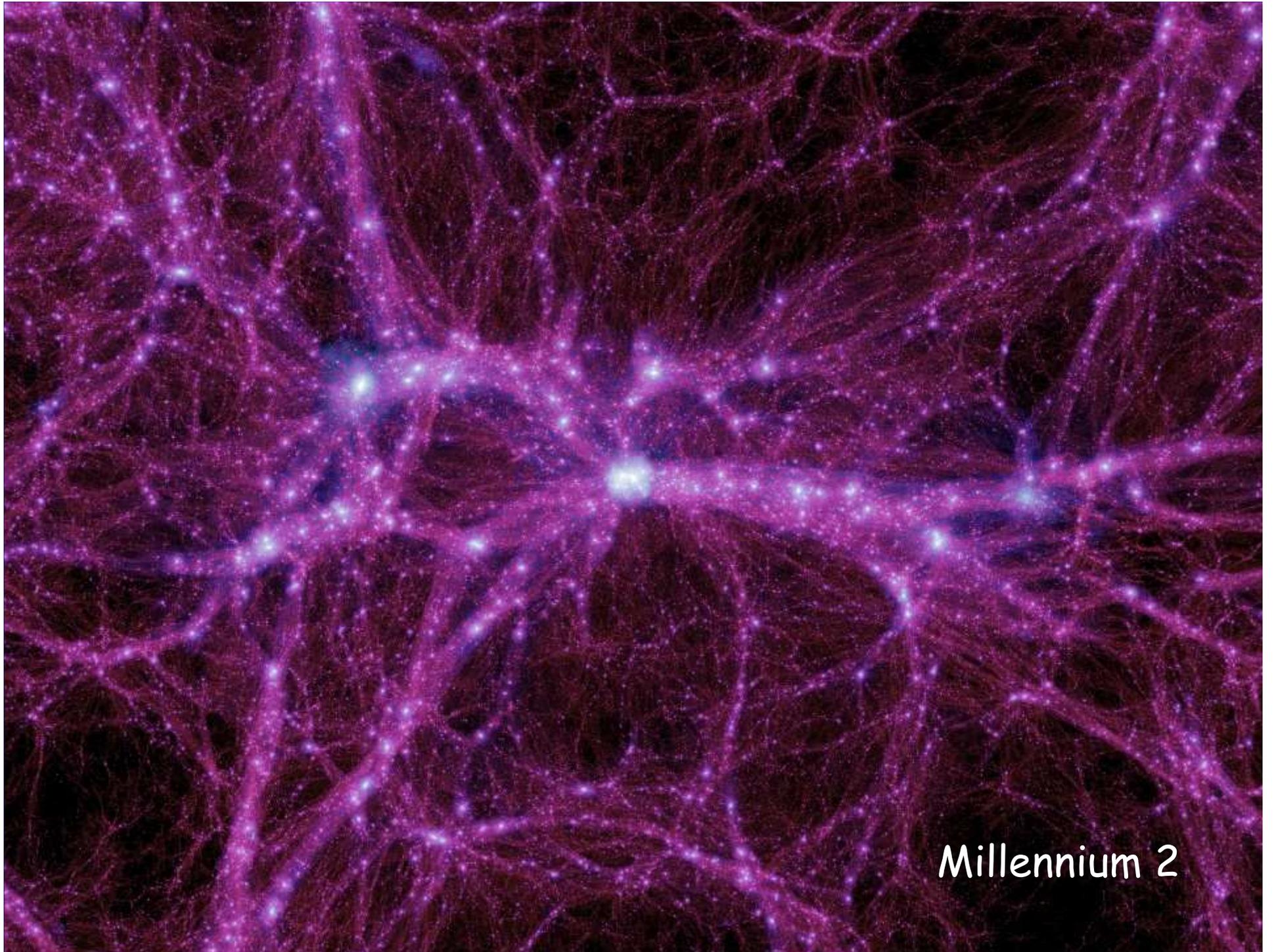
# Outline

- Galaxies from the cosmic web
- Cold streams into hot massive halos
- Streams as Lyman-alpha blobs
- Stream clumpiness: mergers
- Wild disk instability: cosmological steady state
- SFR and feedback in disk clumps
- Spheroid formation: galaxy bimodality at high  $z$

# 1. Galaxies emerge from the Cosmic Web

- Halos  $M \gg M_{\text{PS}}$  - high-sigma peaks at the nodes of the cosmic web
- Typically fed by 3 big streams
- Co-planar

the millenium cosmological simulation



Millennium 2

## 2. Accretion Rate into a Halo

Neistein, van den Bosch, Dekel 06; Neistein & Dekel 07, 08; Genel et al 08

From N-body simulations/EPS, Approximate for LCDM:

$$\langle \dot{M}_{baryon} \rangle \approx 100 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} M_{12}^{1.15} (1+z)^{2.25}_{3.5} f_{0.16}$$

The accretion rate is the primary driver of halo/galaxy growth & SFR - can serve for successful simple modeling

# Steady State

$$\dot{M}_{\text{gas}} = \dot{M}_{\text{in}} - \dot{M}_{*}$$

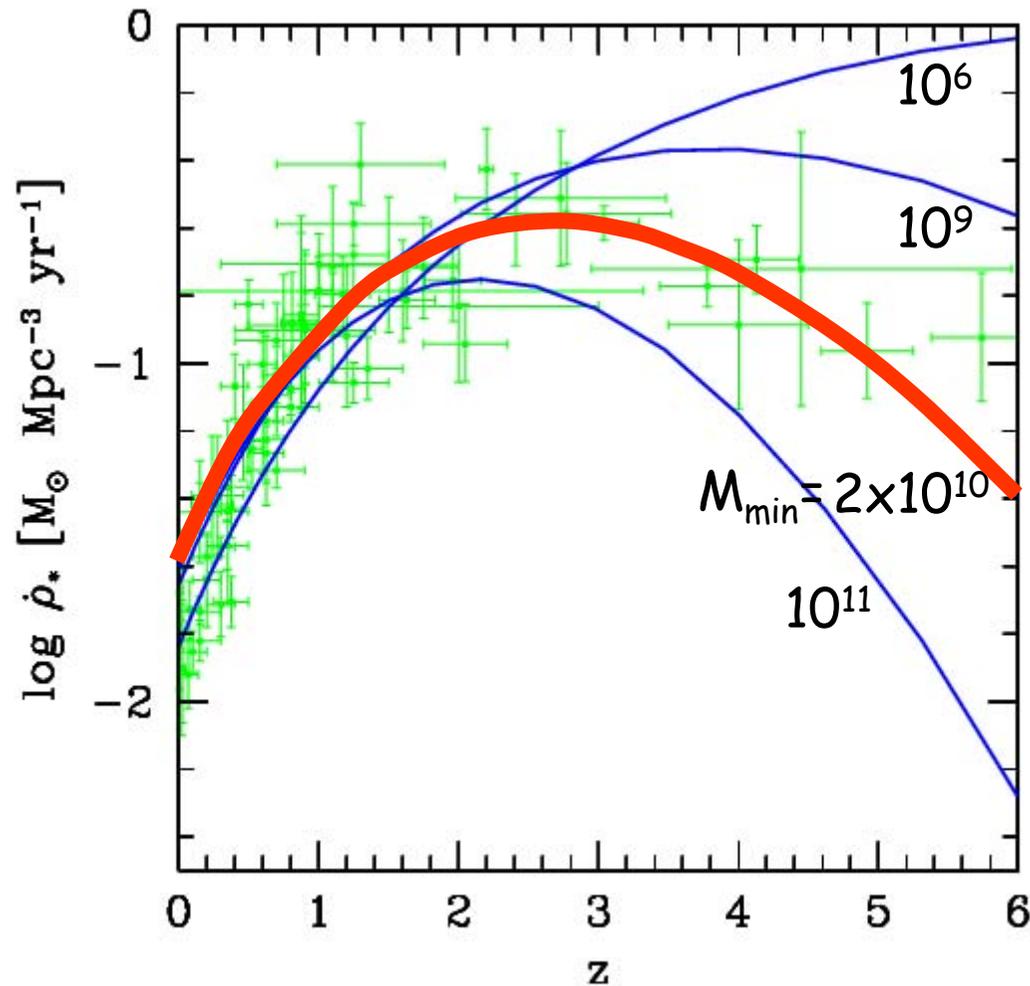
$$\dot{M}_{*} = \eta \frac{M_{\text{gas}}}{t_{\text{ff}}}$$

At late times, when  $t_{\text{sf}} \ll t_{\text{acc}}$

$$\dot{M}_{\text{gas}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \dot{M}_{*} \rightarrow \dot{M}_{\text{in}}$$

# Star-formation history:

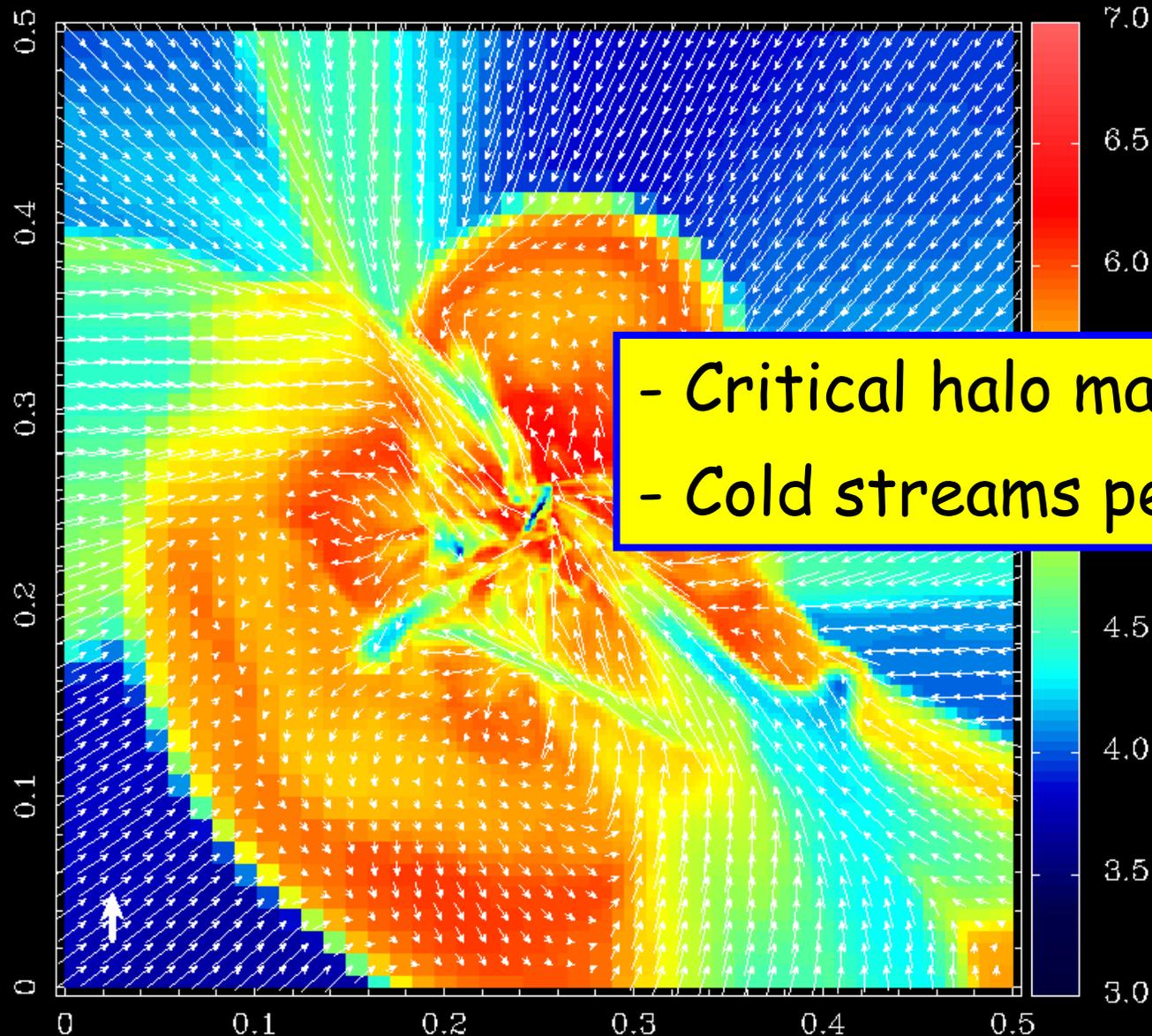
$$SFR = f_b \langle \dot{M}_{halo} \rangle$$



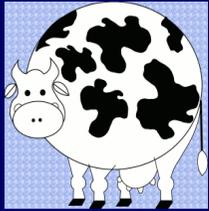
Bouche  
et al. 09

# 3. Virial Shock Heating

Birnboim & Dekel 03, Keres et al 05, Dekel & Birnboim 06



- Critical halo mass  $\sim 10^{12} M_{\odot}$
- Cold streams penetrate at  $z > 2$

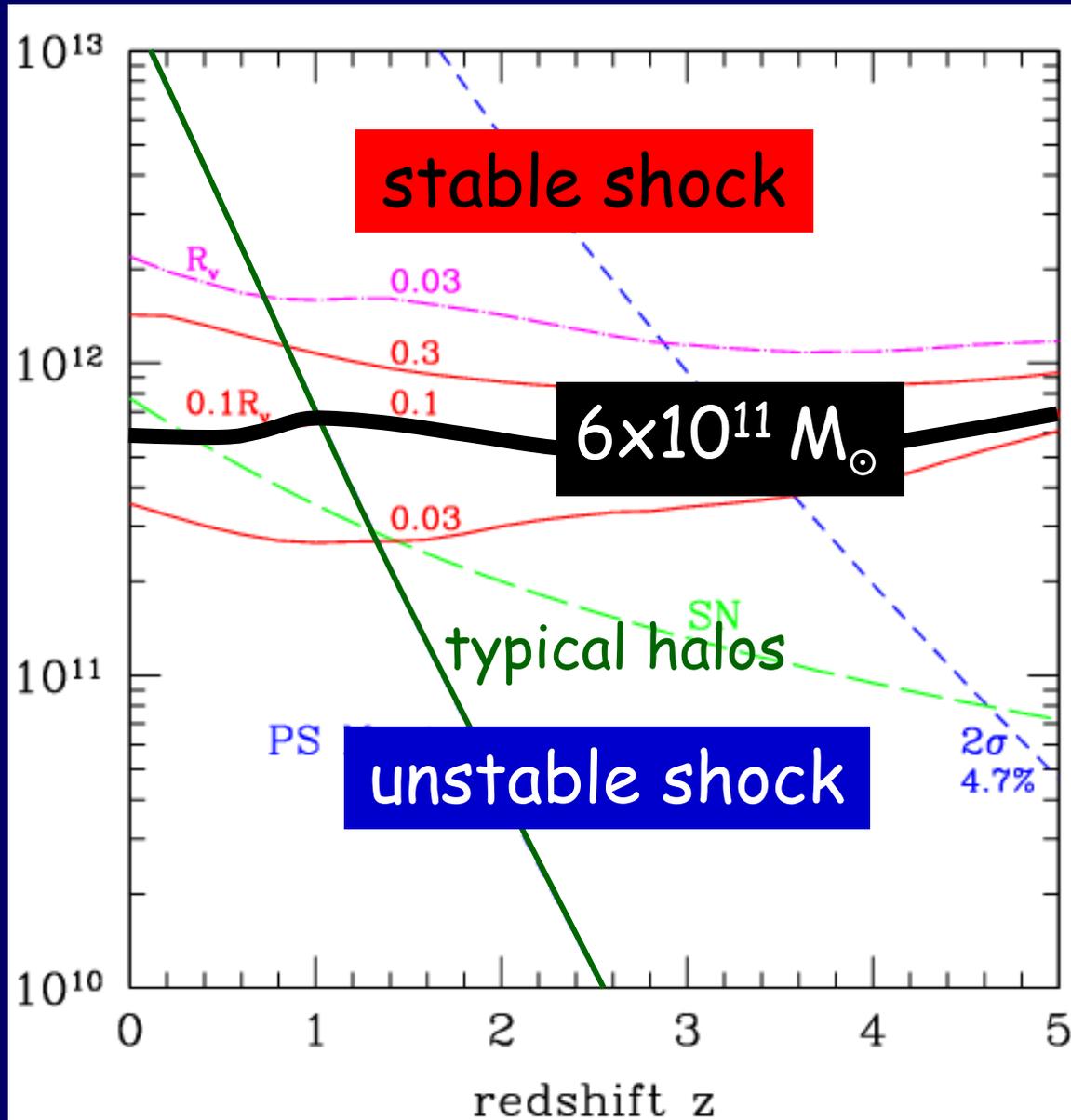


# Shock-Heating Scale

Birnboim & Dekel 03  
Dekel & Birnboim 06

Keres  
et al 05

$M_{\text{vir}}$   
[ $M_{\odot}$ ]



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

in  $M > M_{\text{shock}}$

Totally hot  
at  $z < 1$

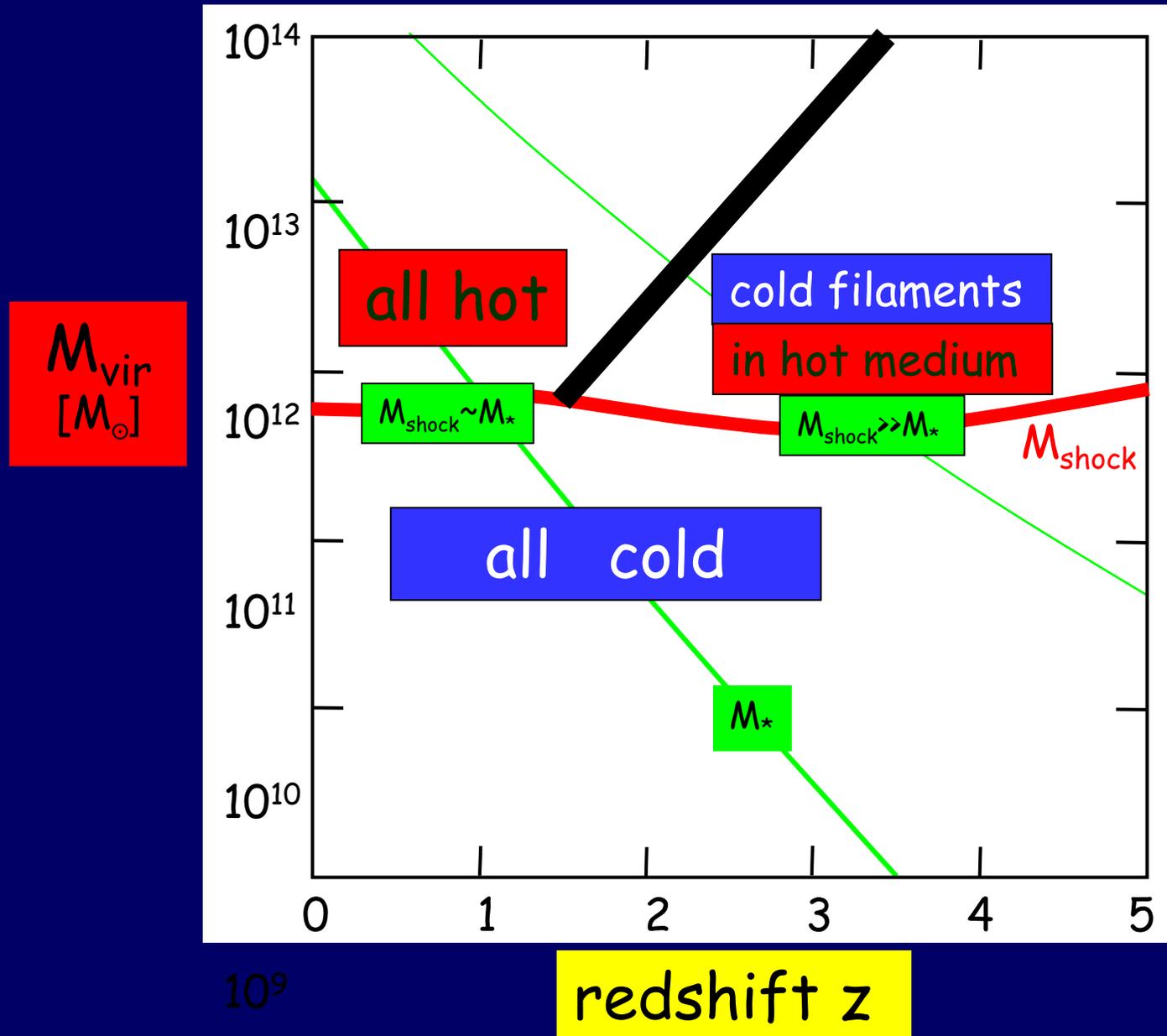
Cold streams  
at  $z > 2$

Dekel &  
Birnboim 2006

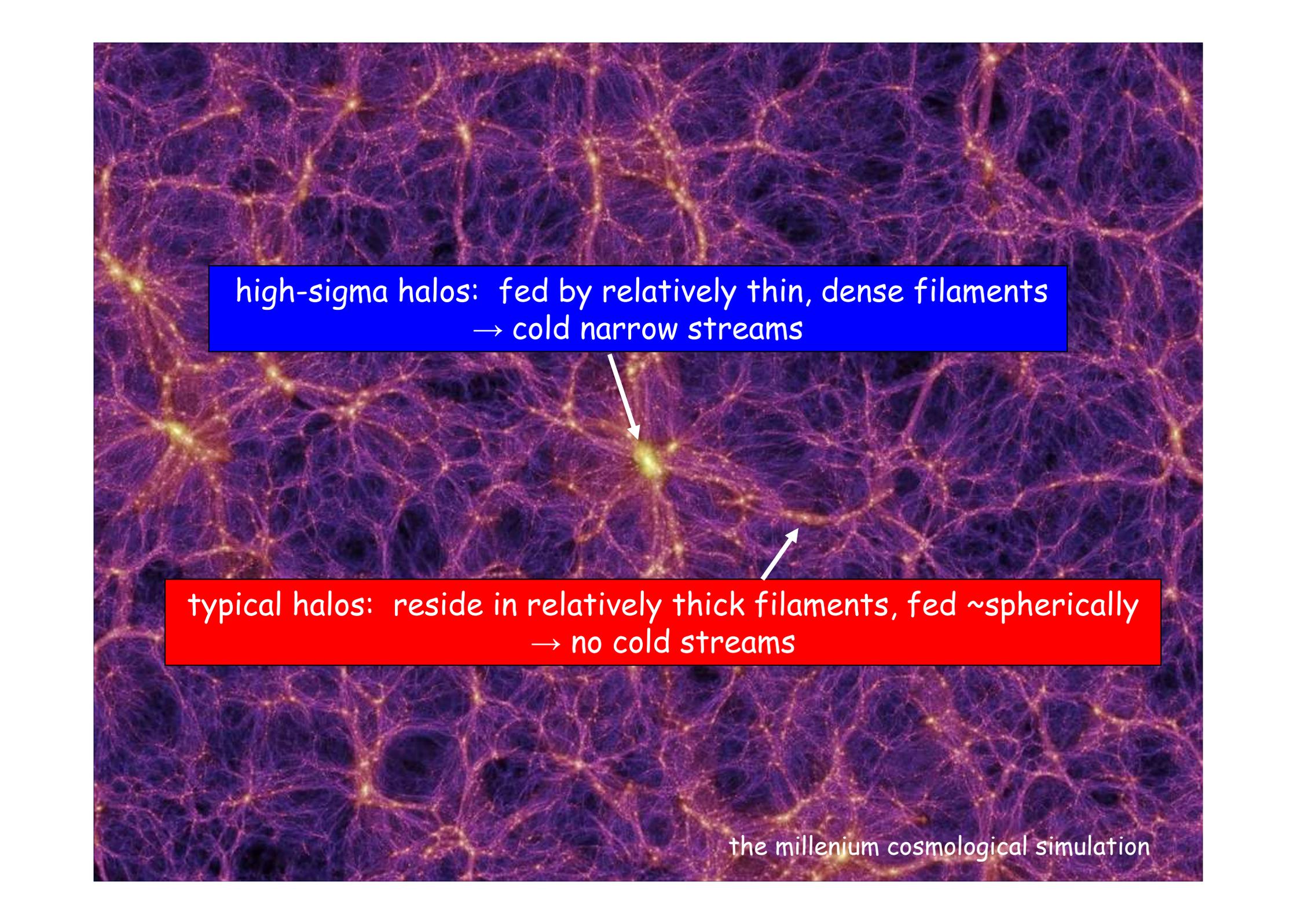
Kravtsov et al



# Cold Streams in Big Galaxies at High $z$



Dekel &  
Birnboim 06

The image displays a complex, interconnected network of filaments and galaxy clusters, characteristic of the cosmic web. The filaments are thin, dense structures that connect larger galaxy clusters. The clusters are represented by bright, yellowish-white points of light. The overall color scheme is dominated by purple and blue, with the filaments and clusters appearing as bright, glowing structures against a dark background. Two white arrows point from the text boxes to specific features in the simulation: one points to a bright cluster, and the other points to a filament.

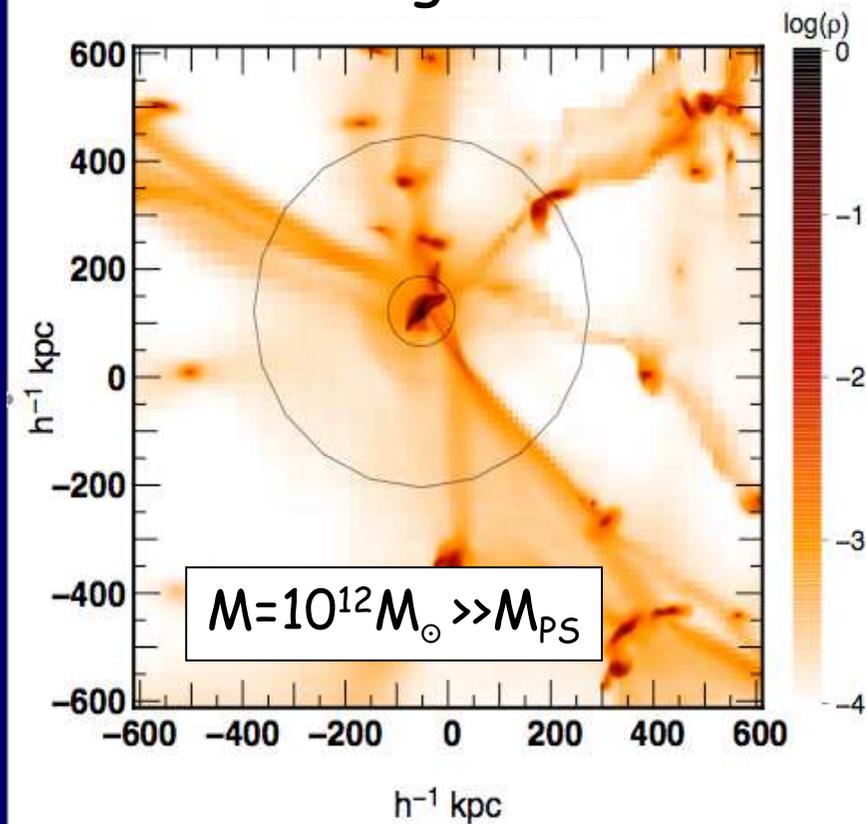
high-sigma halos: fed by relatively thin, dense filaments  
→ cold narrow streams

typical halos: reside in relatively thick filaments, fed ~spherically  
→ no cold streams

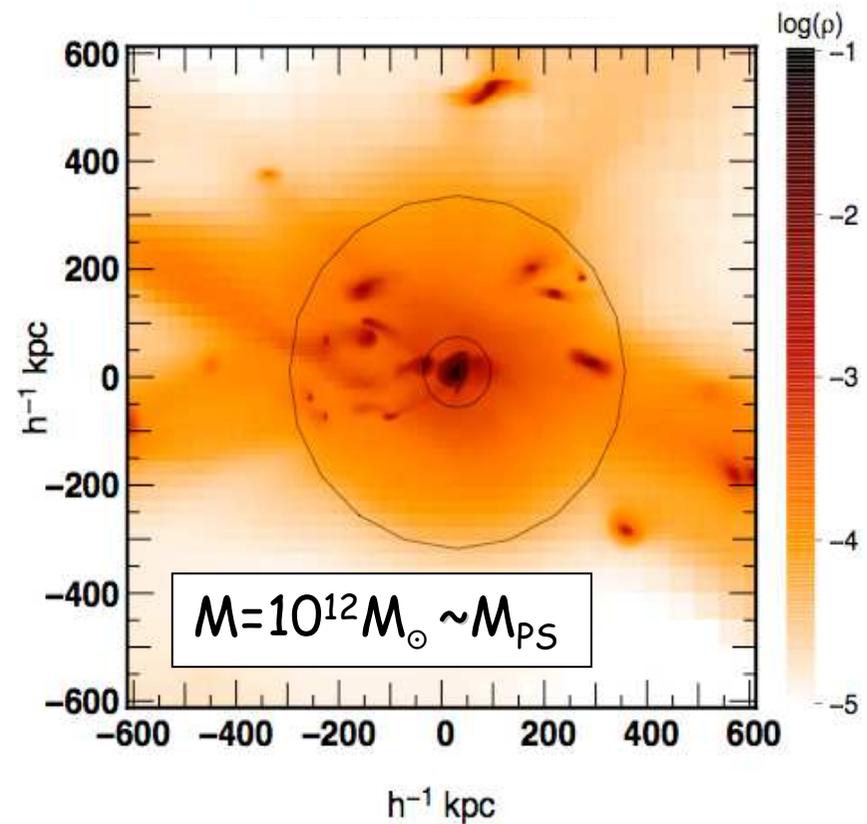
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# Narrow dense gas streams at high $z$ versus spherical infall at low $z$

high  $z$



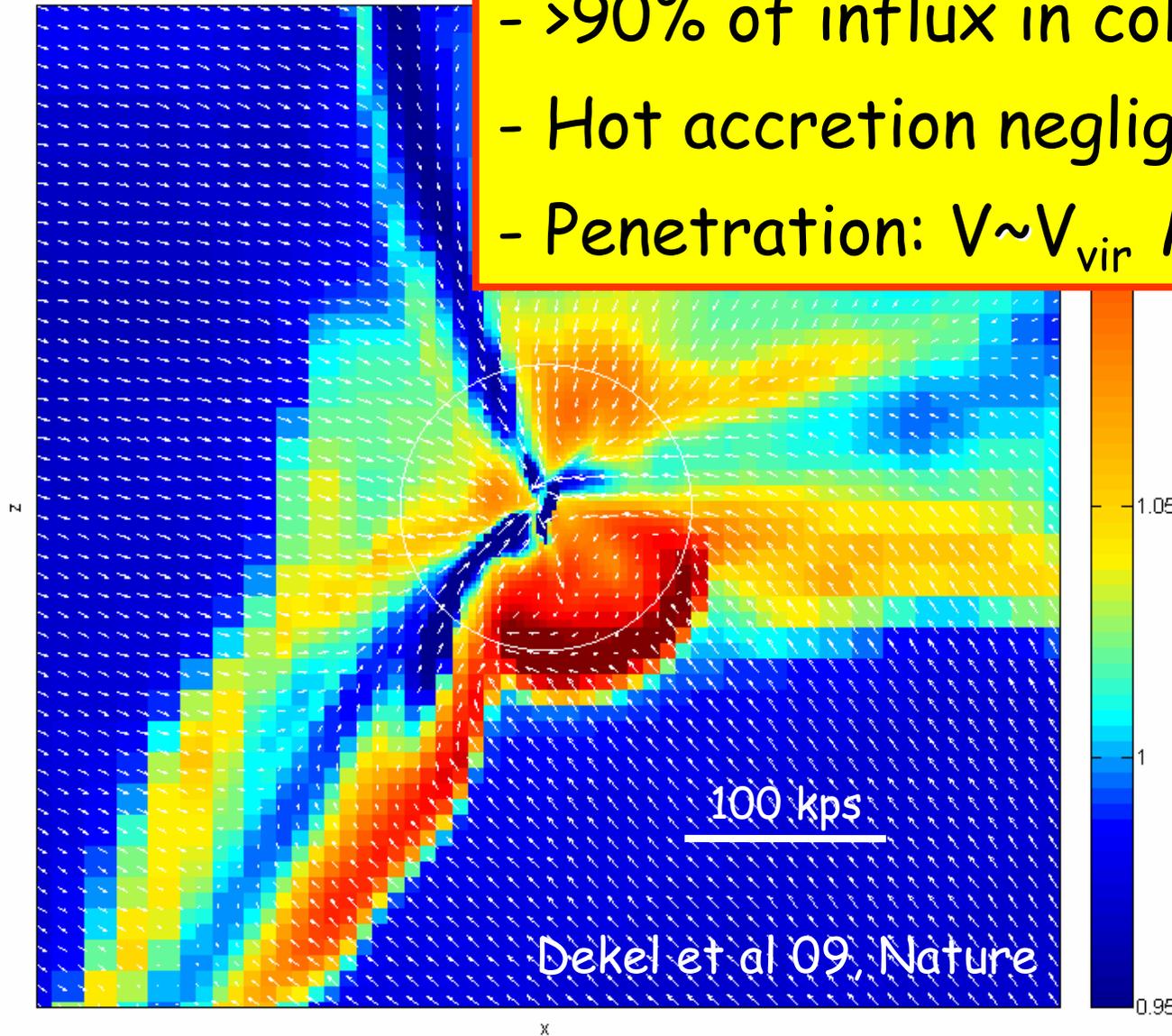
low  $z$



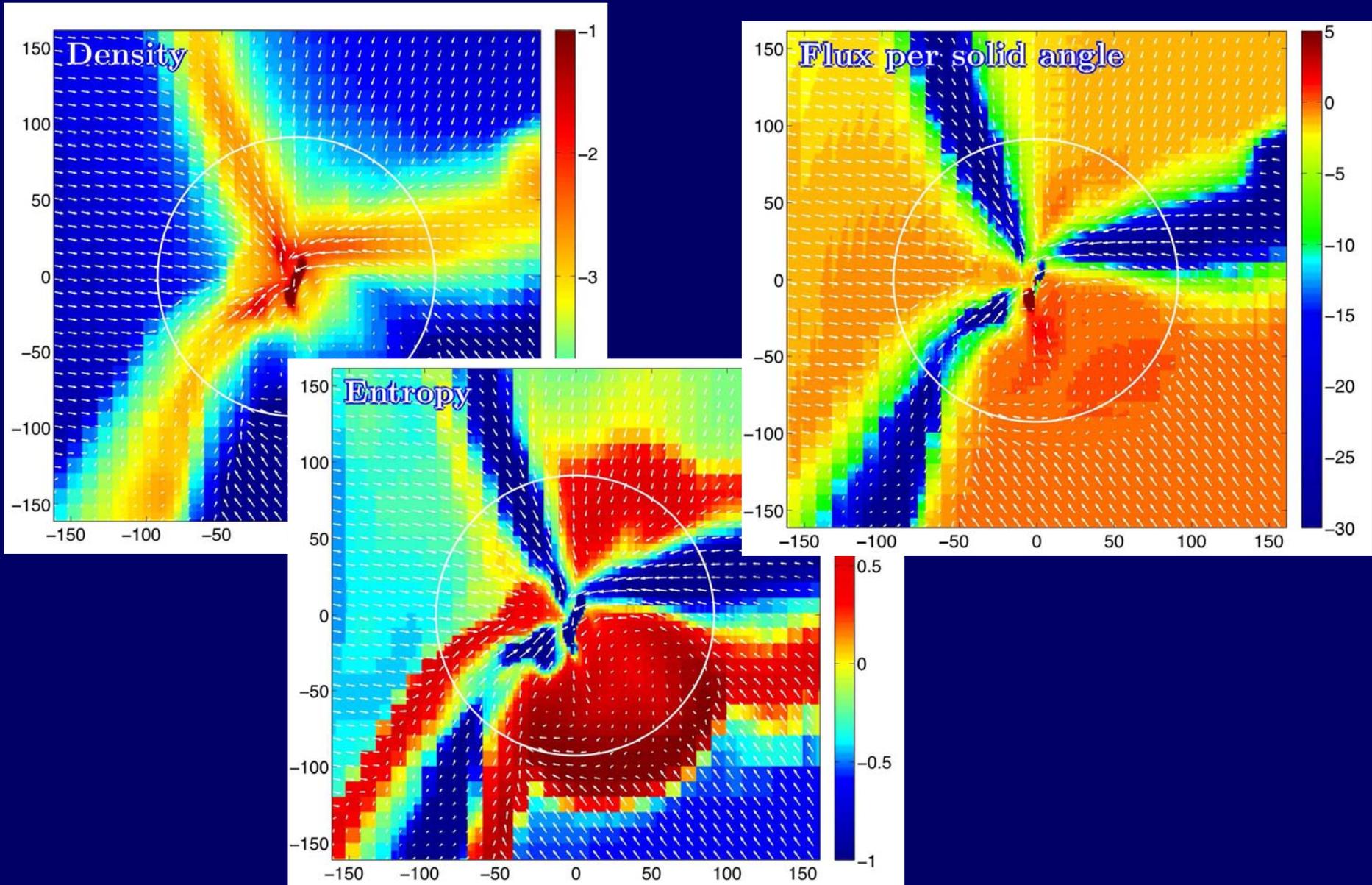
Ocvirk, Pichon, Teyssier 08

## 4. Cold Streams

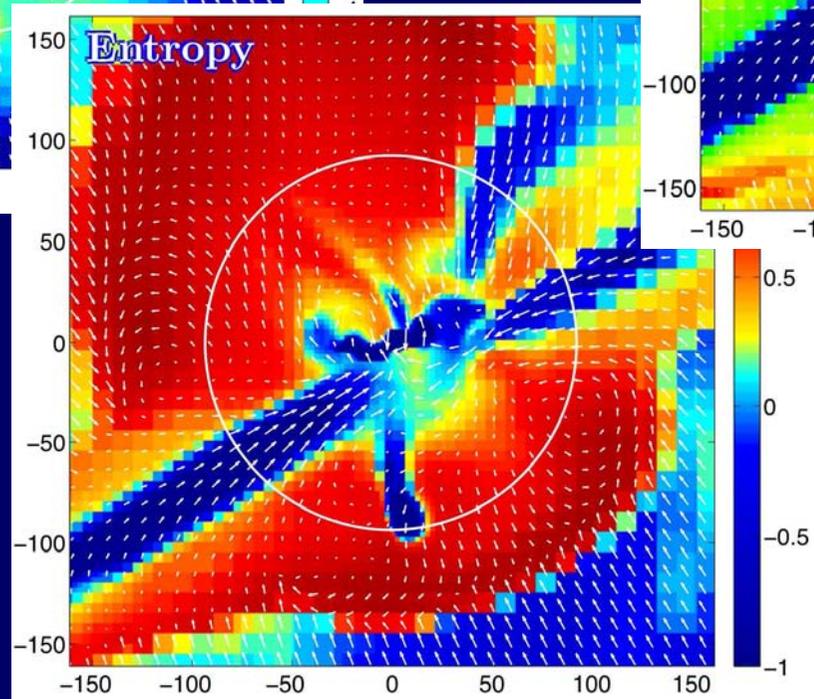
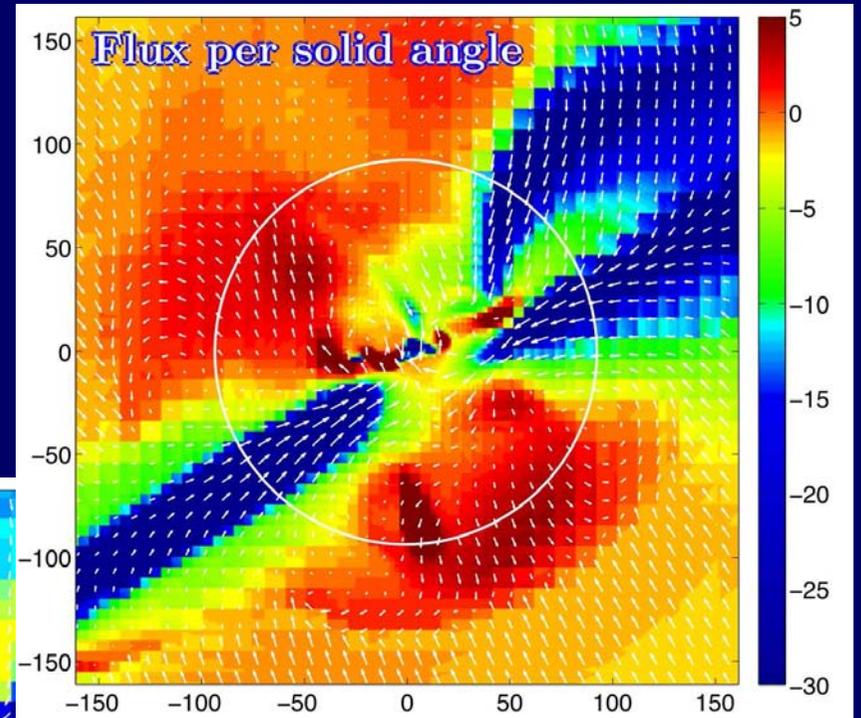
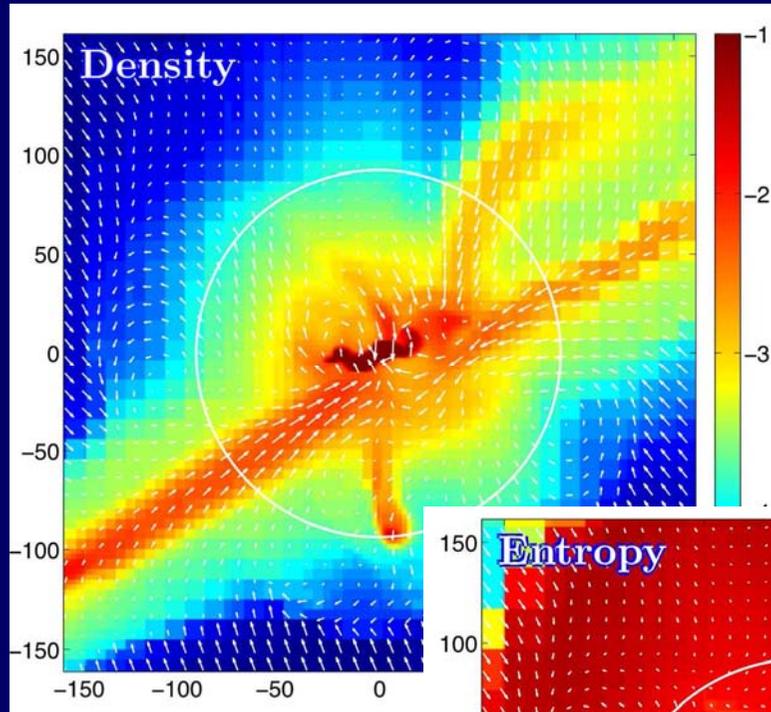
- >90% of influx in cold streams
- Hot accretion negligible
- Penetration:  $V \sim V_{\text{vir}}$   $\dot{M}(r) \sim \text{const}$



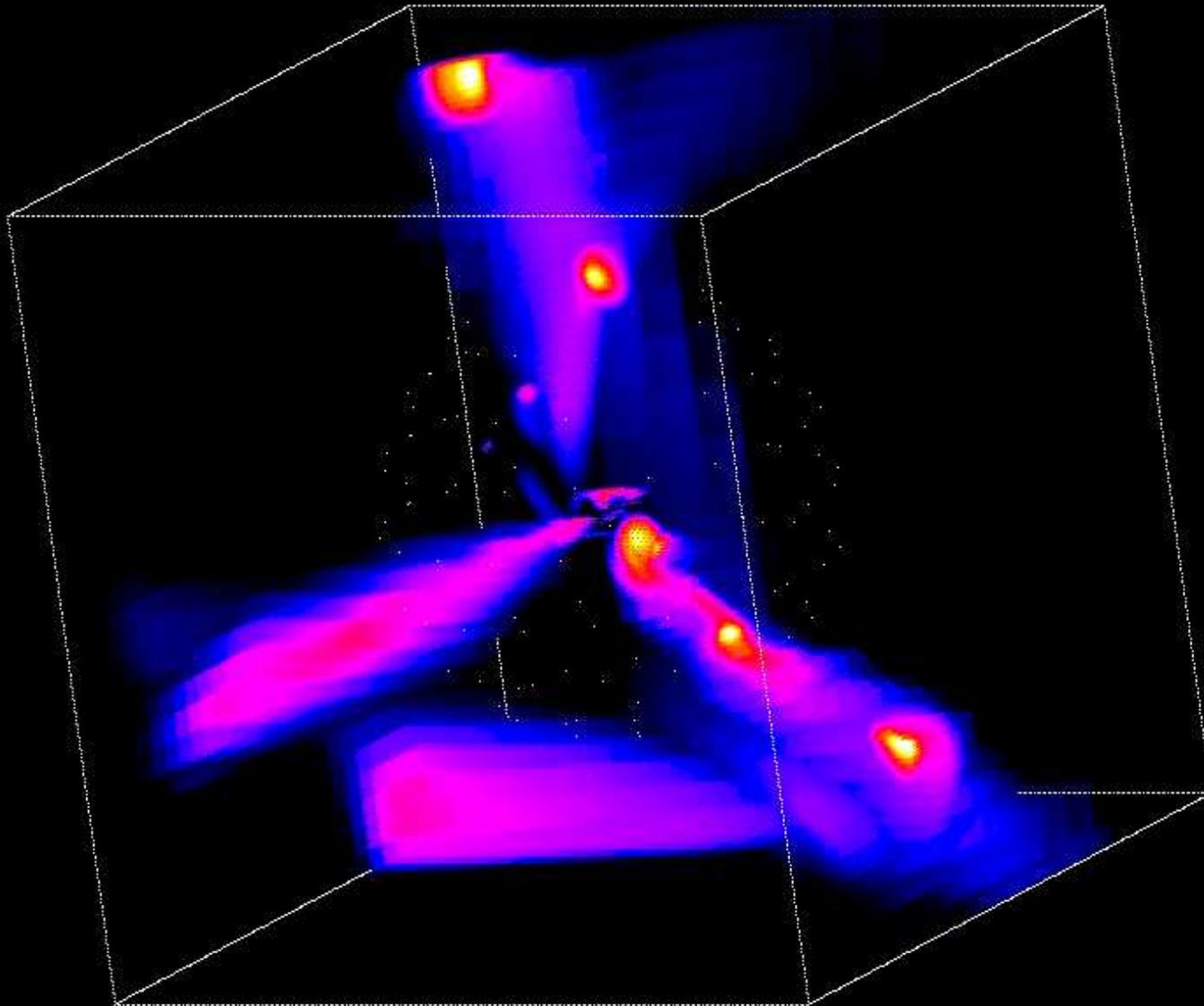
# Cold streams through hot halos



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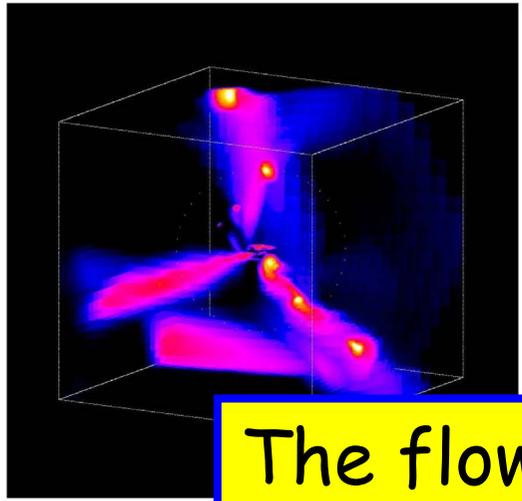


Flux  
per  
solid  
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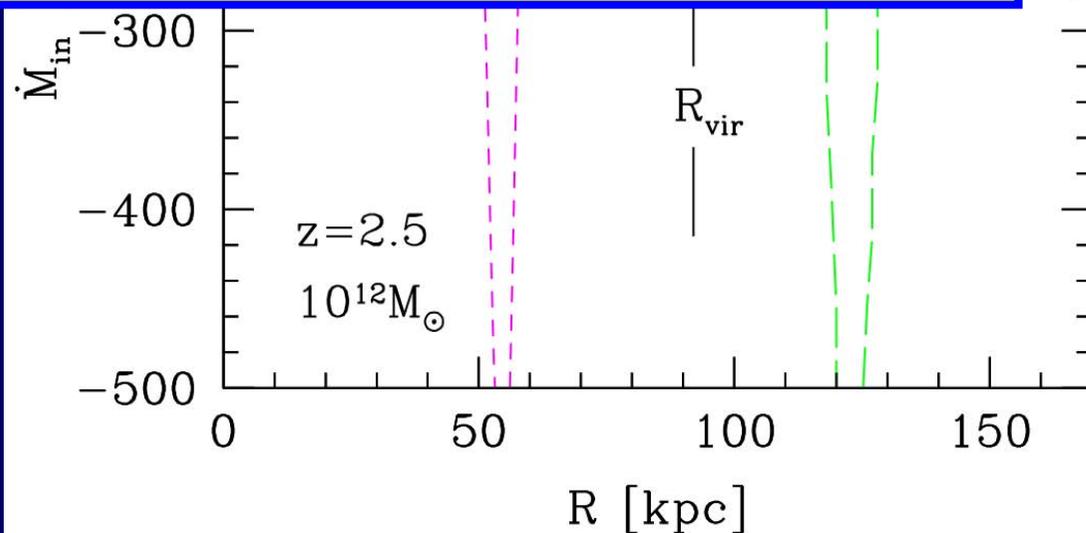
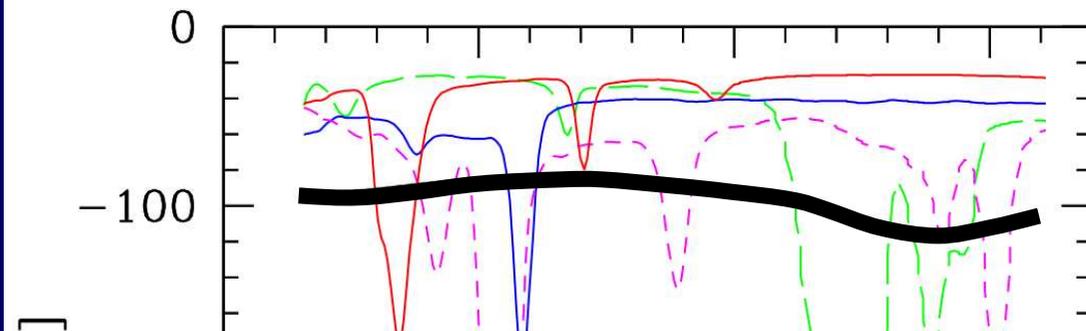


Dekel  
et al 09

# Inflow rate through the halo into the disk

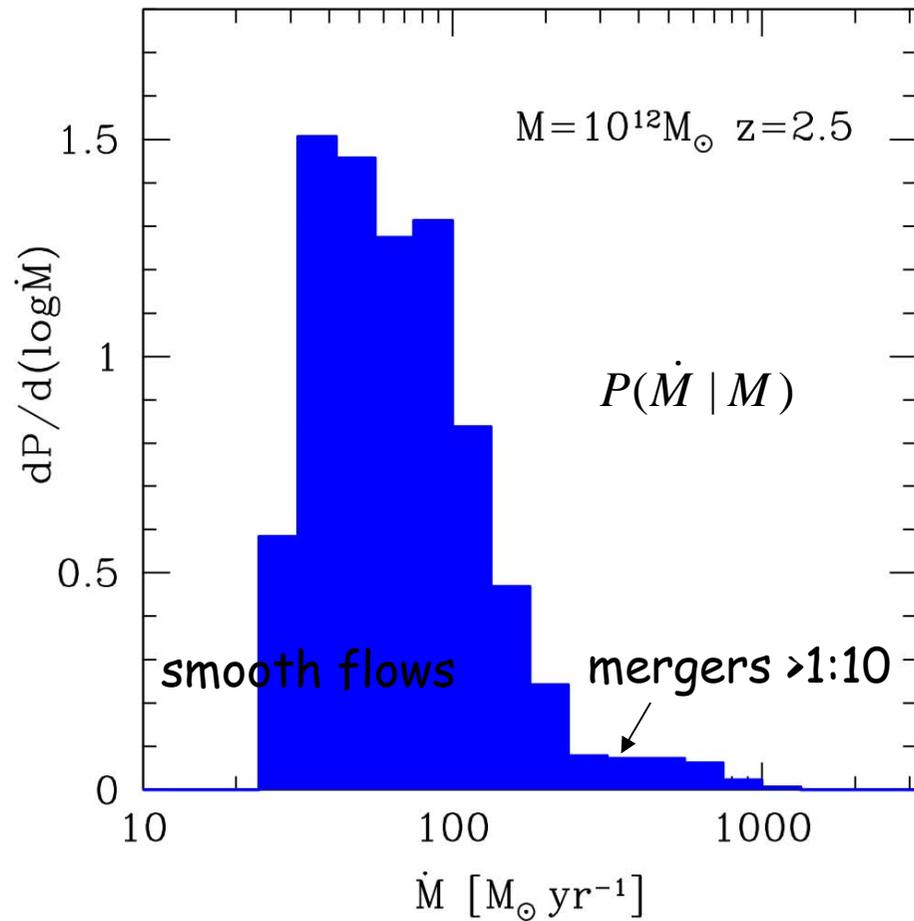
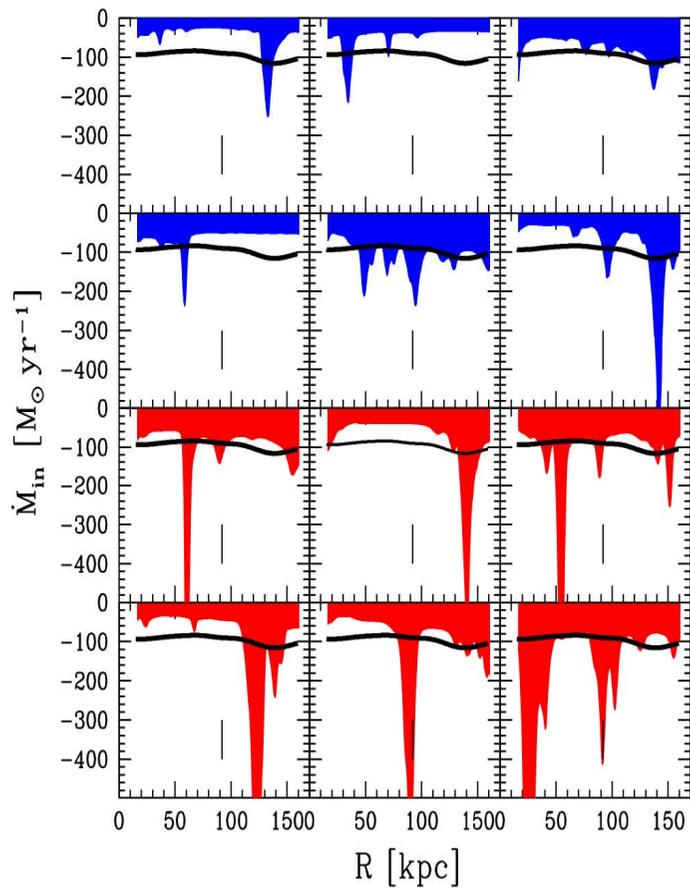


The flow rate is constant with radius:  
deep penetration



# Distribution of gas inflow rate

Cosmological hydro simulations (MareNostrum, Dekel et al. 09)



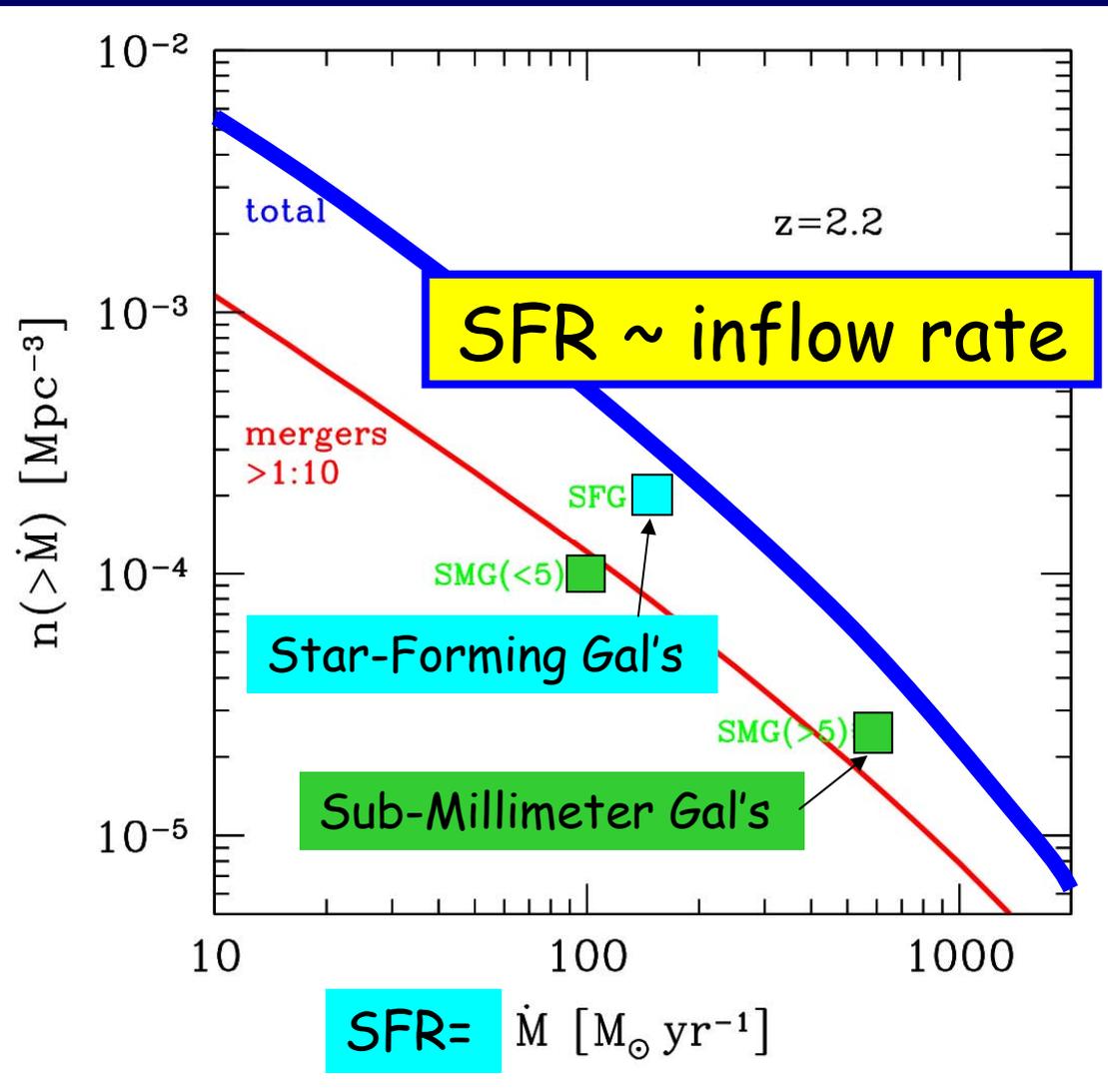
# Galaxy density at a given gas inflow rate

$$n(\dot{M}) = \int_0^{\infty} P(\dot{M} | M) n(M) dM$$

$P(\dot{M}|M)$  from  
cosmological hydro  
simulations  
(MareNostrum)

$n(M)$  by Sheth-Tormen

Dekel et al 09, Nature



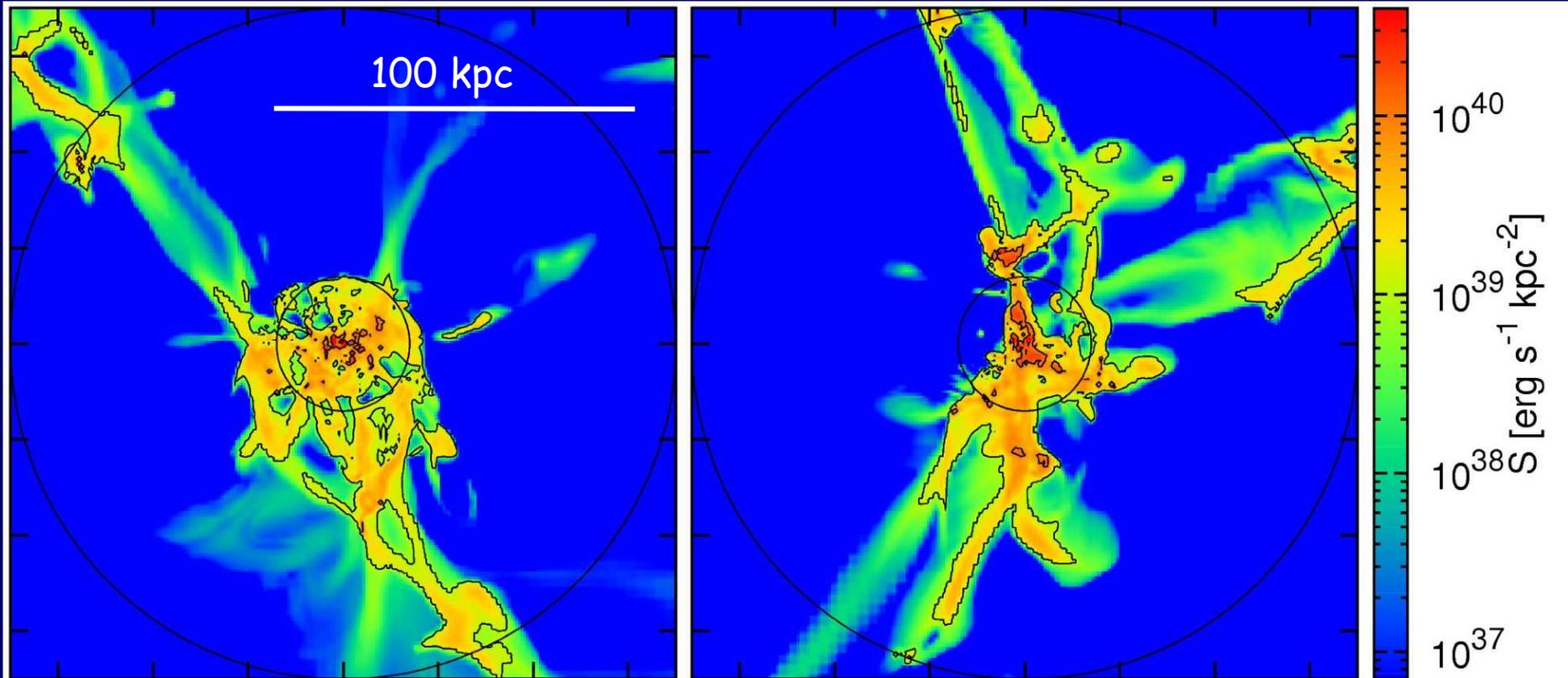
# 5. Lyman-alpha from Cold streams

Goerdt, Dekel, Sternberg, Ceverino, Teyssier, Primack 09

$T=(1-5)\times 10^4$  K    $n=0.01-0.1$  cm<sup>-3</sup>    $N_{\text{HI}}\sim 10^{20}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>   pressure equil.

$$L \sim 10^{43-44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

Surface brightness



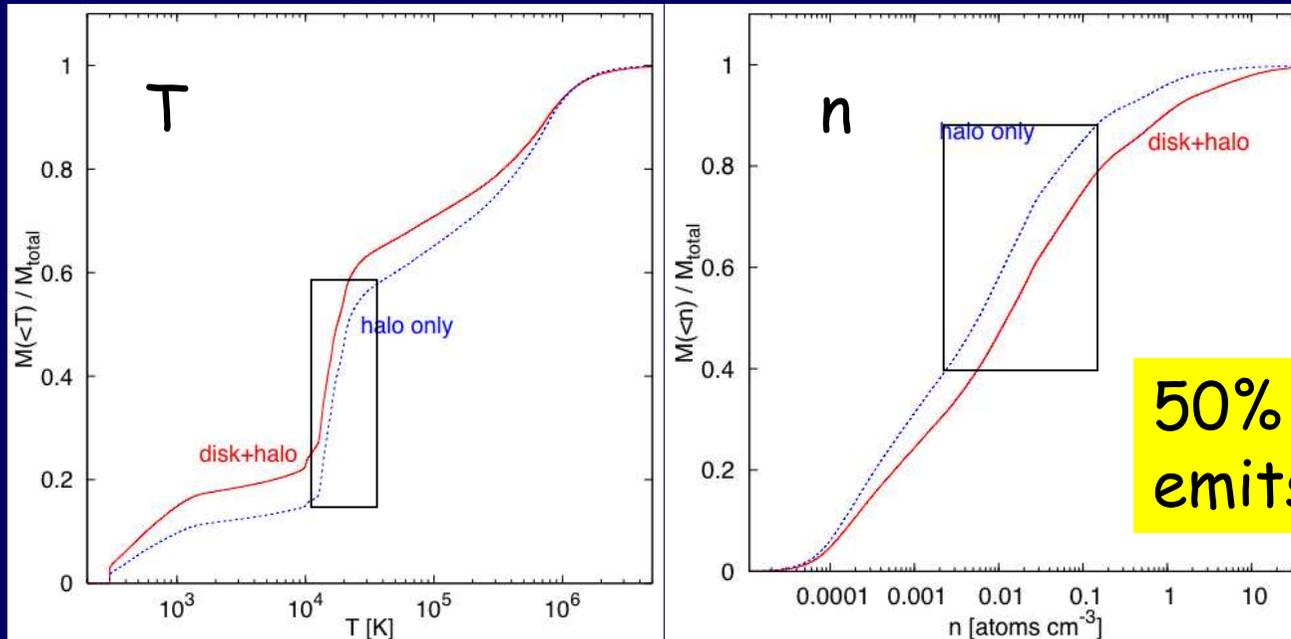
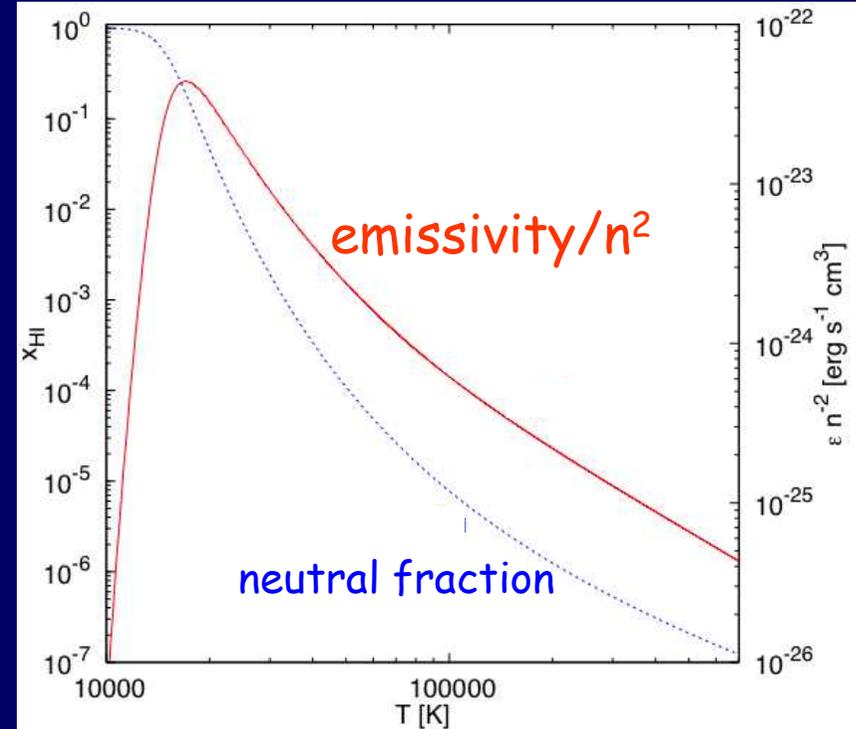
# Lyman-alpha Emissivity

Collisional excitation:

$$\varepsilon = n_e n_{HI} q_{1s \rightarrow 1p}(T) h\nu_{L\alpha}$$

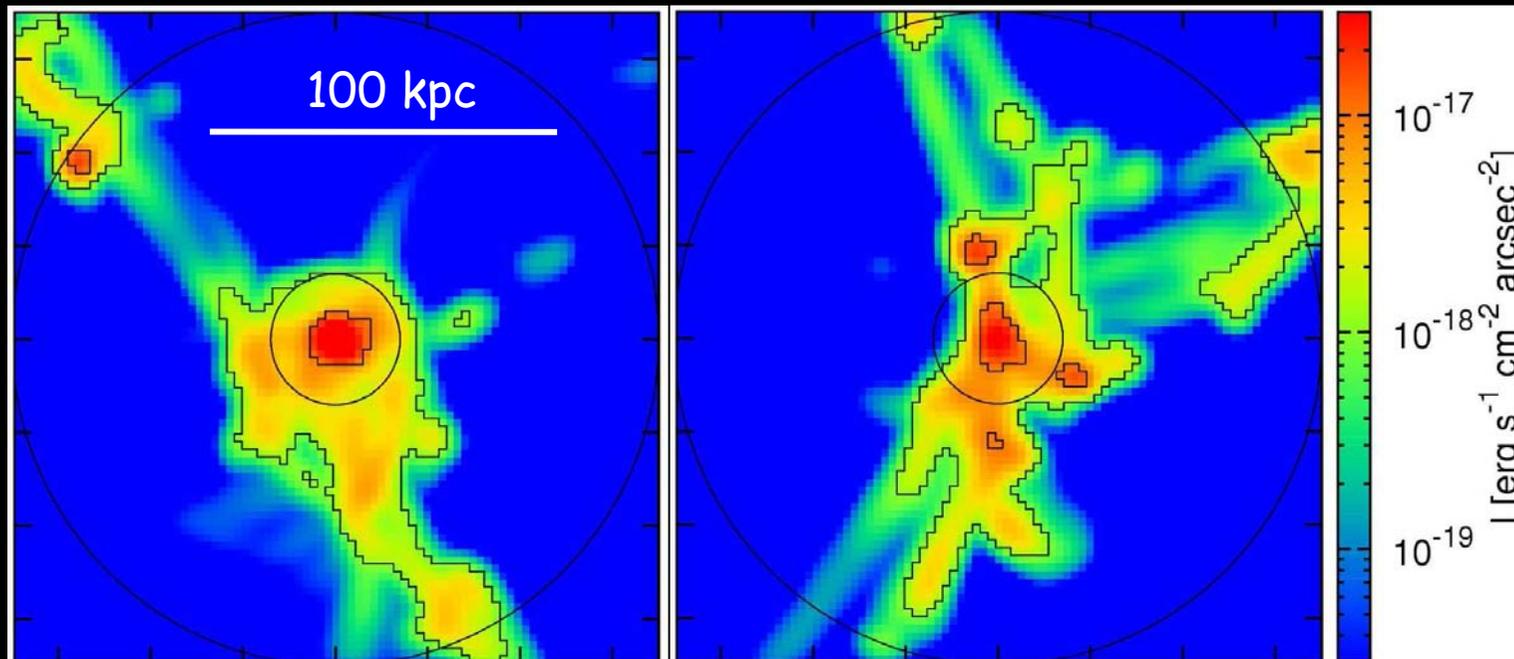
Streams are self-shielded from UV background.

Cumulative distribution of T & n



50% of the gas emits  $L\alpha$  effectively

# Cold streams as Lyman-alpha Blobs

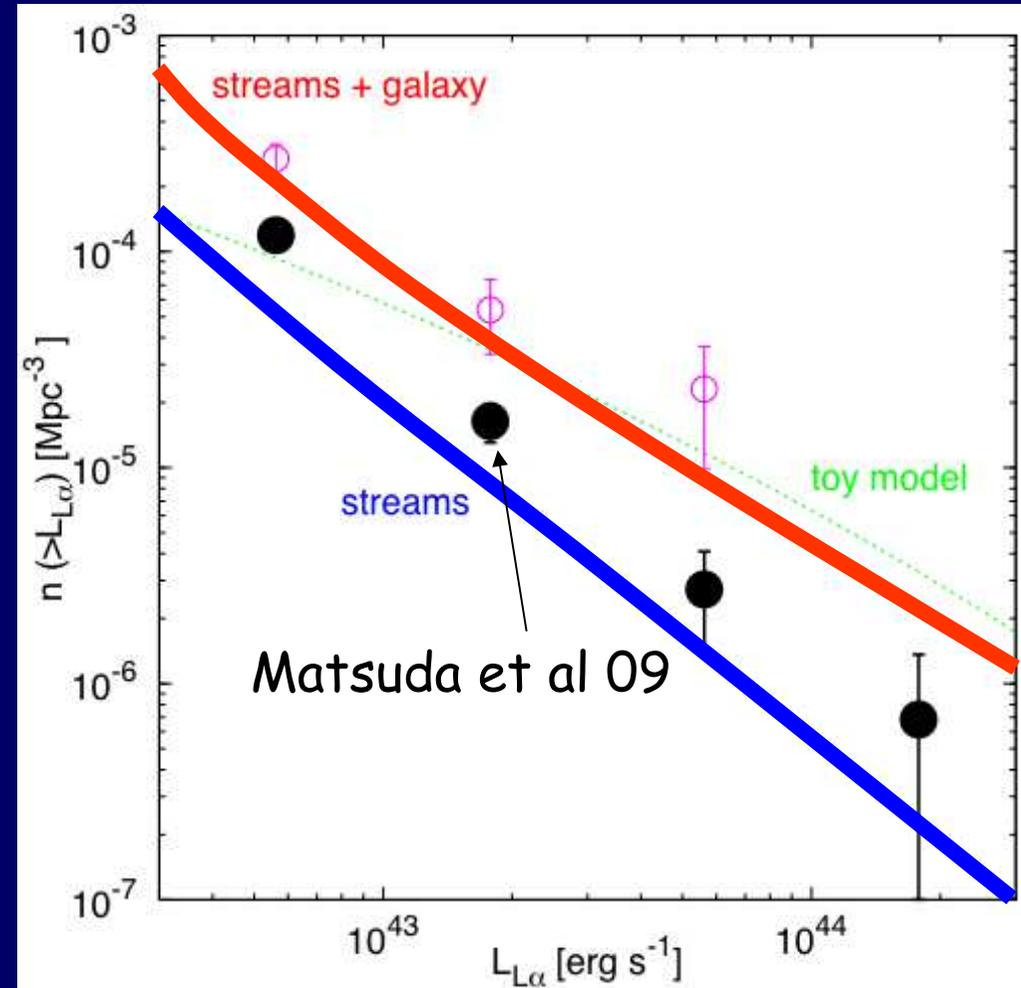
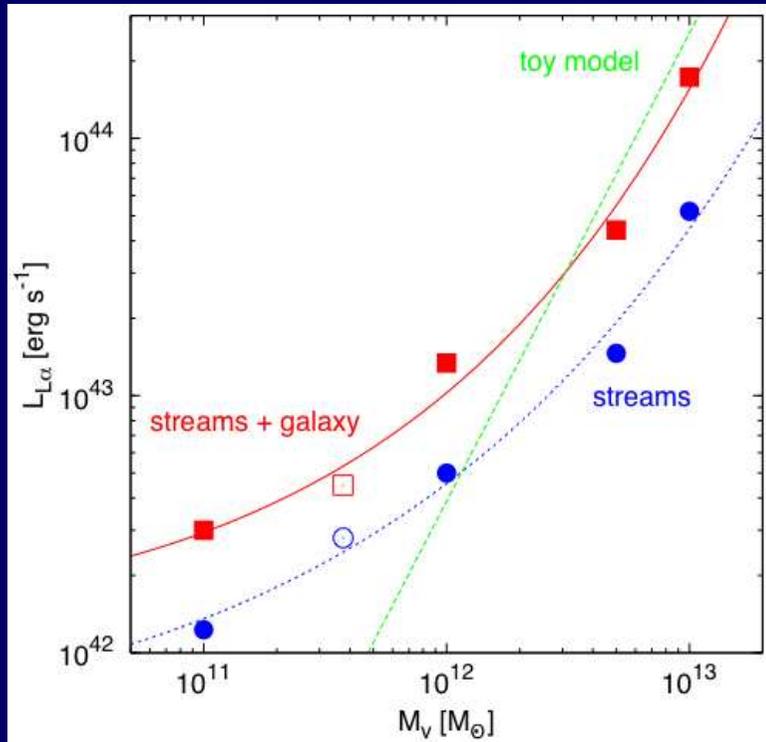


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Ceverino,  
Teyssier,  
Primack 09



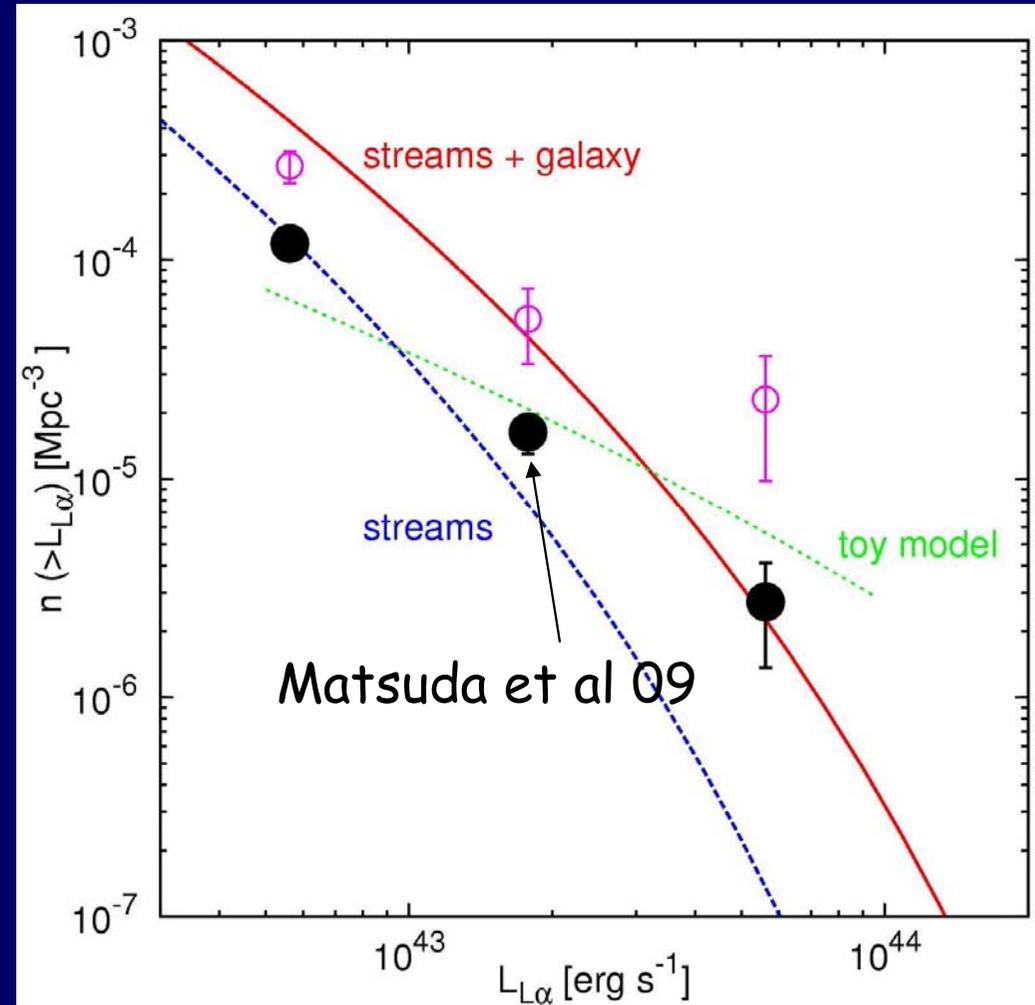
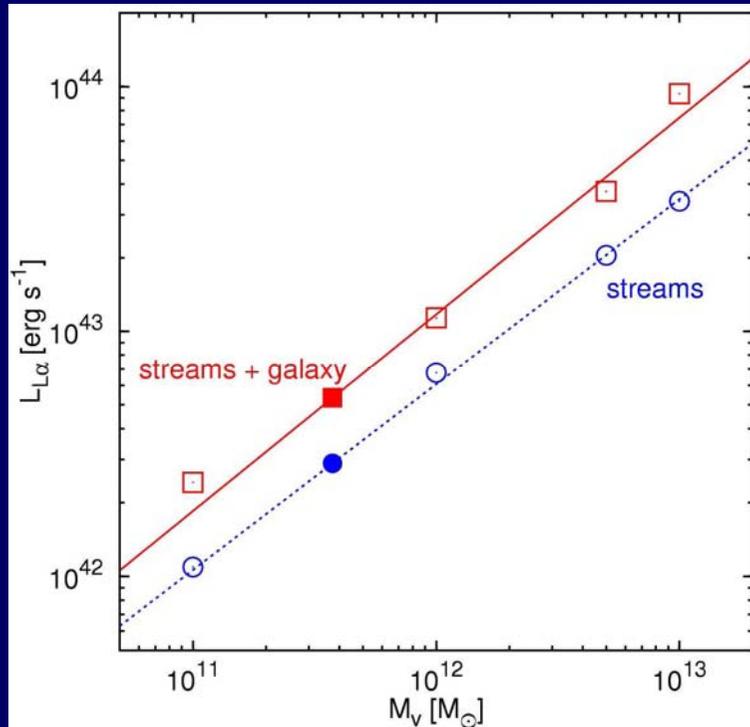
Matsuda et al 06-09

# Lyman-alpha Luminosity Function



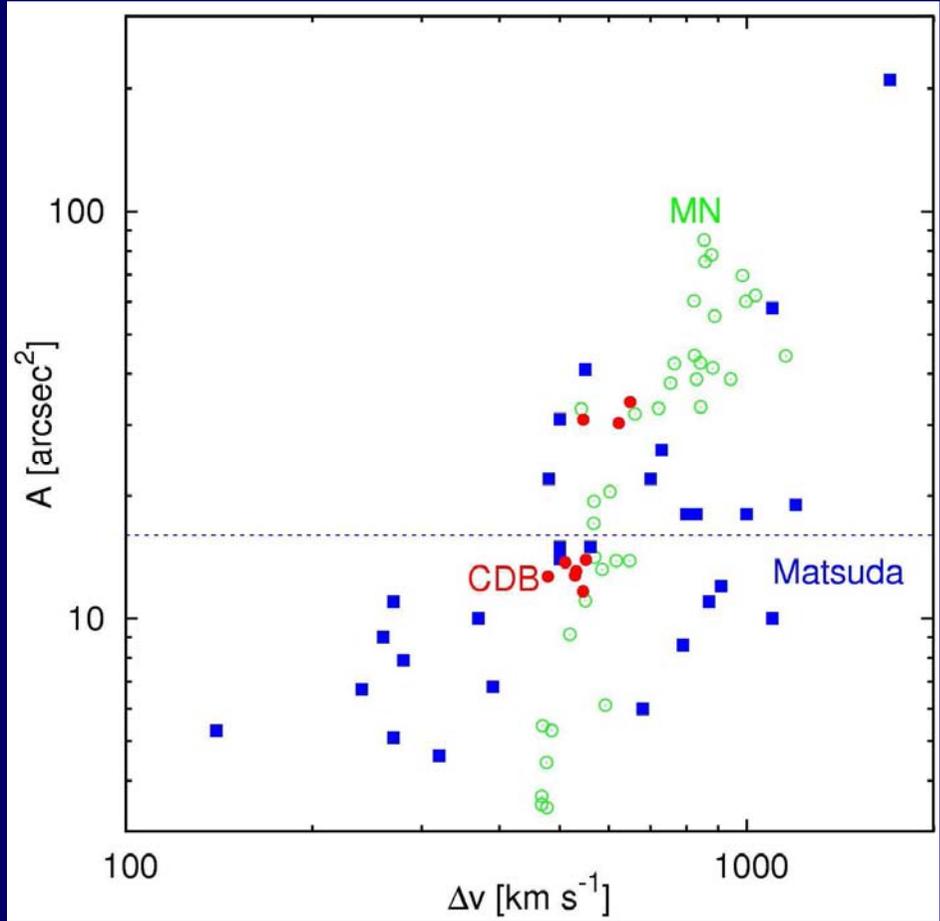
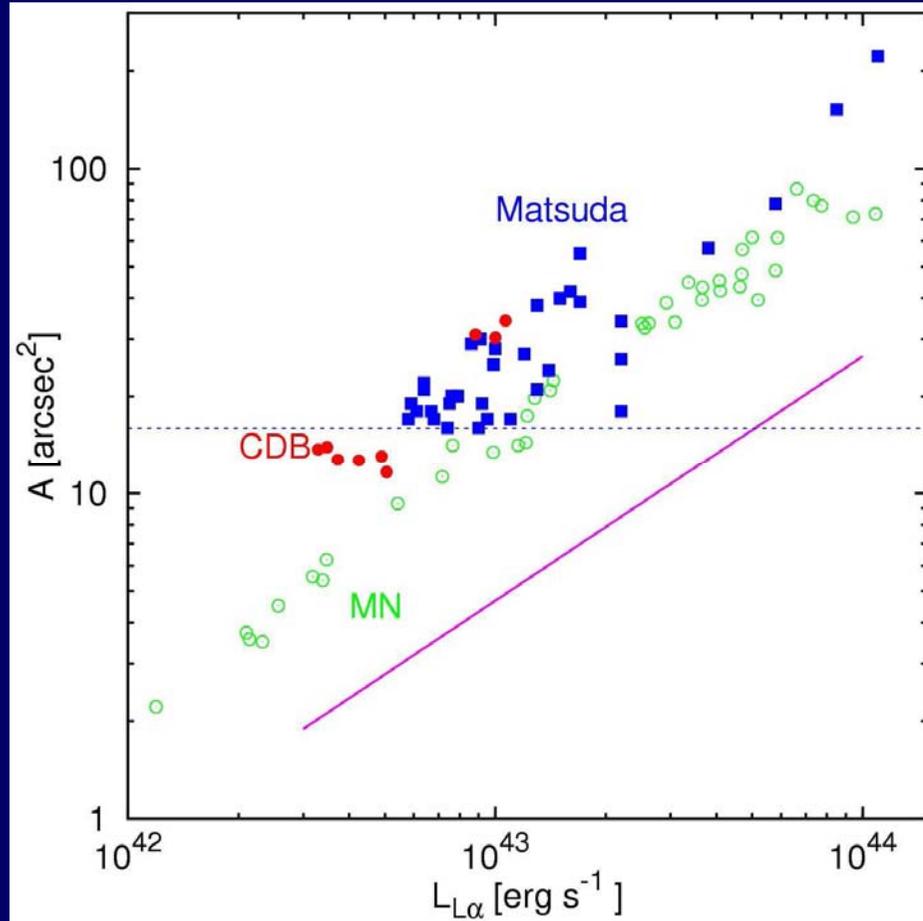
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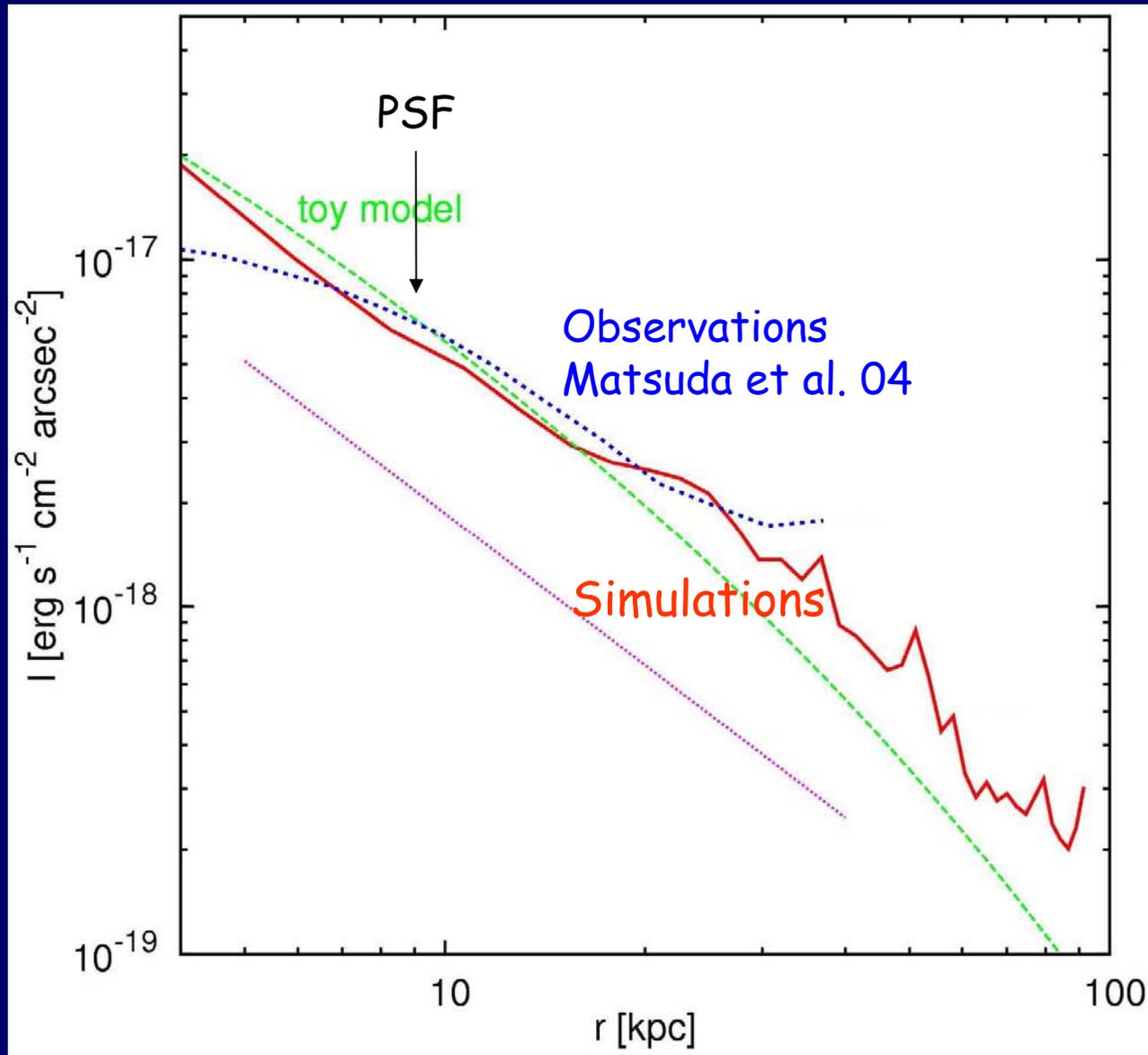


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# LAB Scaling Relations



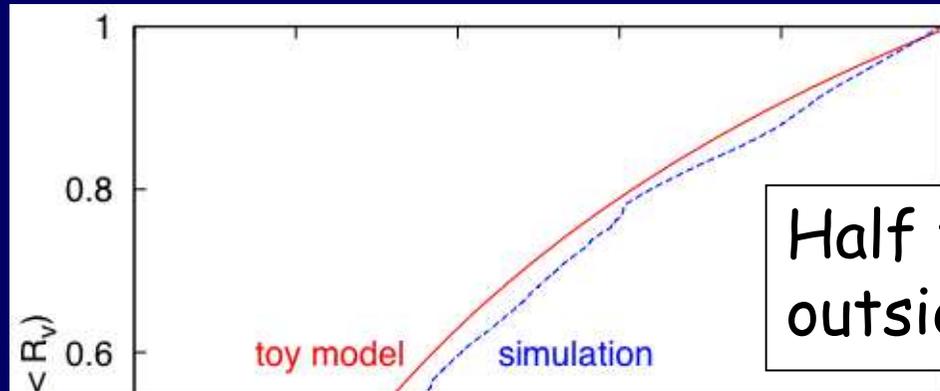
# Lyman-alpha Surface Brightness Profile



# Gravity Powers Lyman-alpha Emission

$$E_{heat}(r) = f_c \dot{M}_c \left| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right|$$

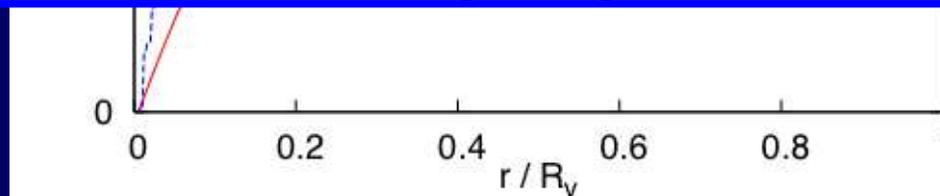
$$E_{heat} \approx 1.2 \times 10^{43} \text{ erg s}^{-1} f_c M_{12}^{1.82} (1+z)_4^{3.25}$$



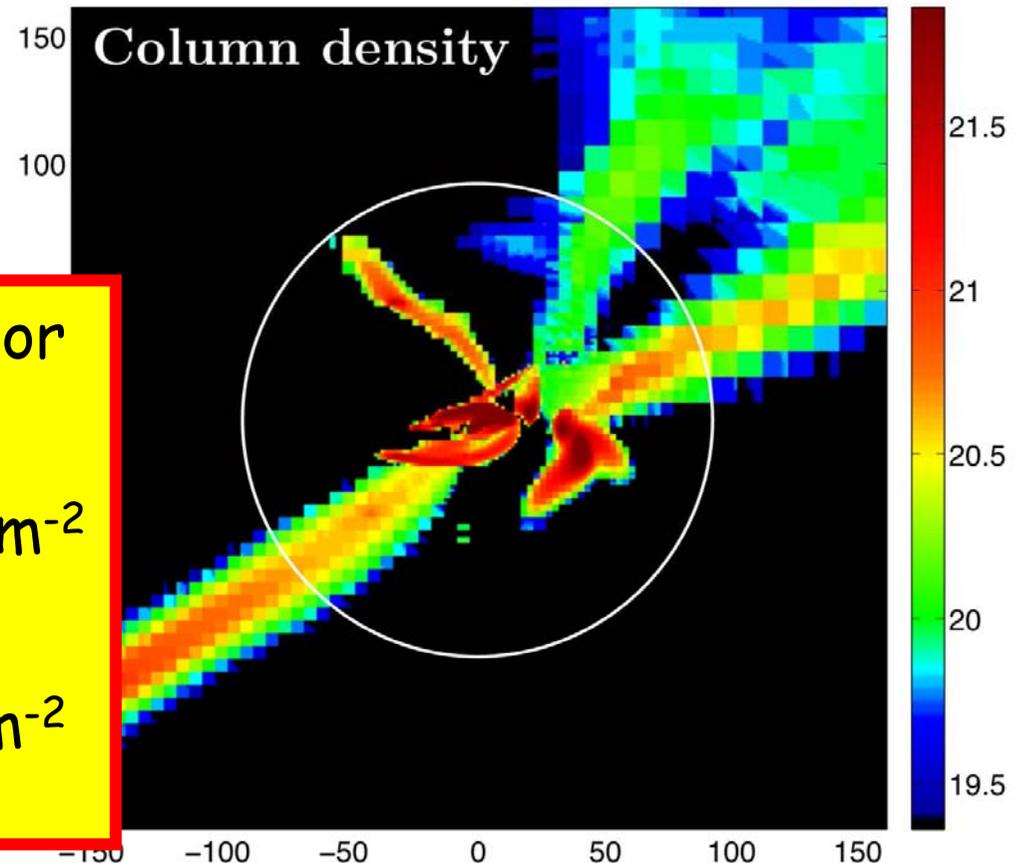
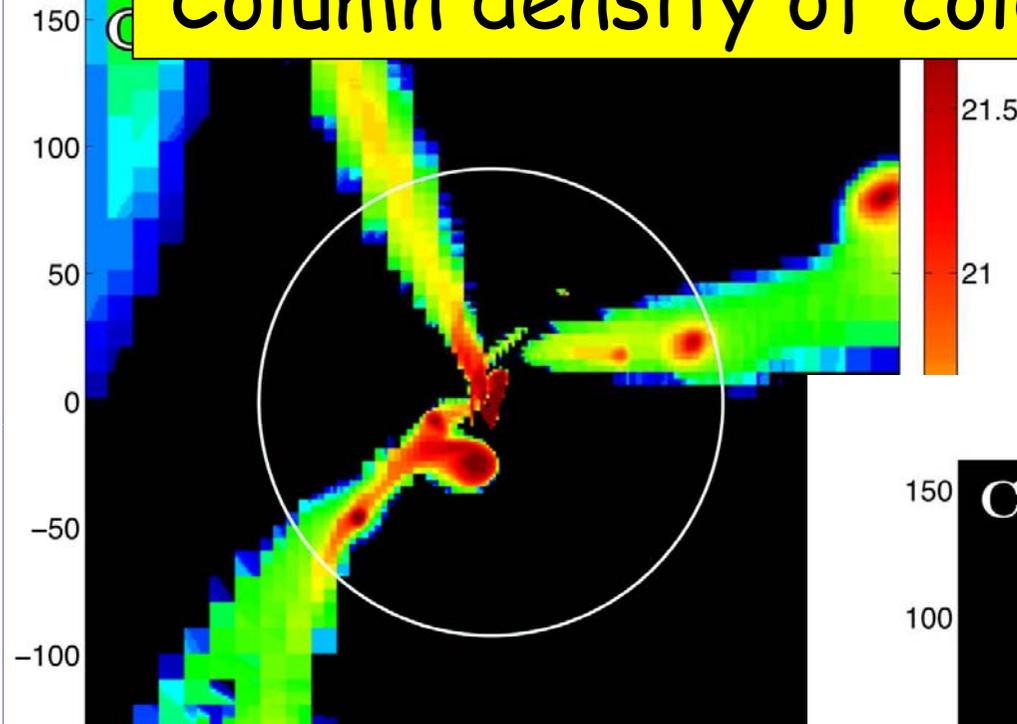
Half the luminosity  
outside  $0.3R_v$

LABs from galaxies at  $z=2-4$  are inevitable  
Have cold streams been detected?

Gravitational heating is generic (e.g. clusters)



# Column density of cold, in-streaming gas



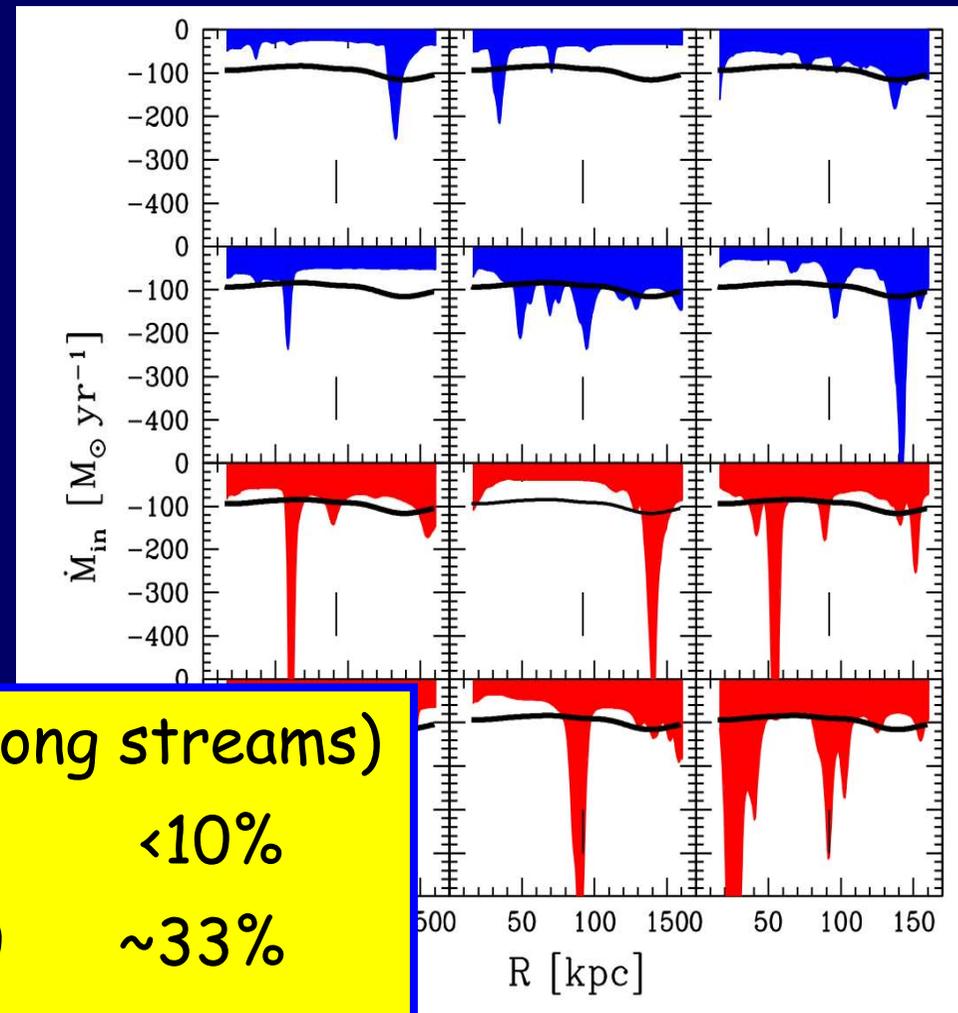
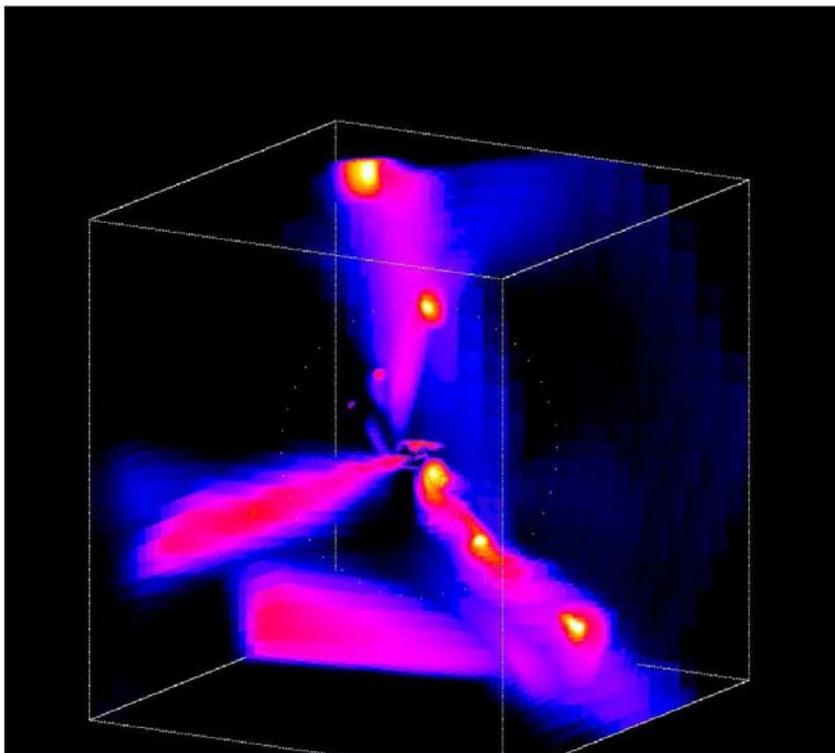
Detectable by absorption or emission:

External source: c.d.  $> 20 \text{ cm}^{-2}$   
at 30% sky coverage

Internal source: c.d.  $> 21 \text{ cm}^{-2}$   
at 5% sky coverage

## 6. Stream clumpiness - mergers

Dekel et al 09, Nature

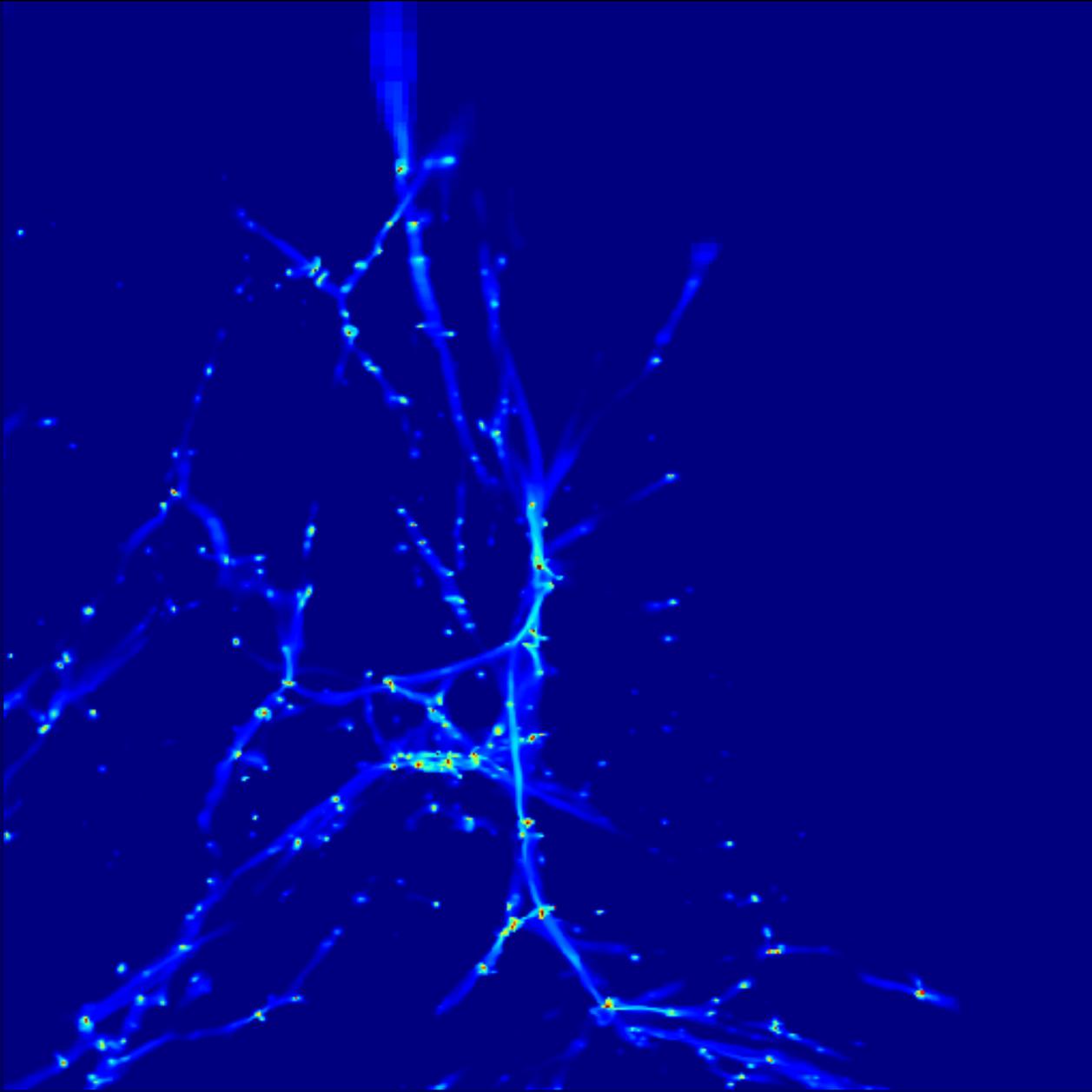


Mass input to galaxies (all along streams)

- Major mergers >1:3 <10%
- Major+minor mergers >1:10 ~33%
- Miniminors and smooth flows ~67%

$M=10^{12}M_{\odot}$   $z=2.5$

# All hi-z mergers are along cold streams



AMR RAMSES  
Teyssier, Dekel

box 300 kpc

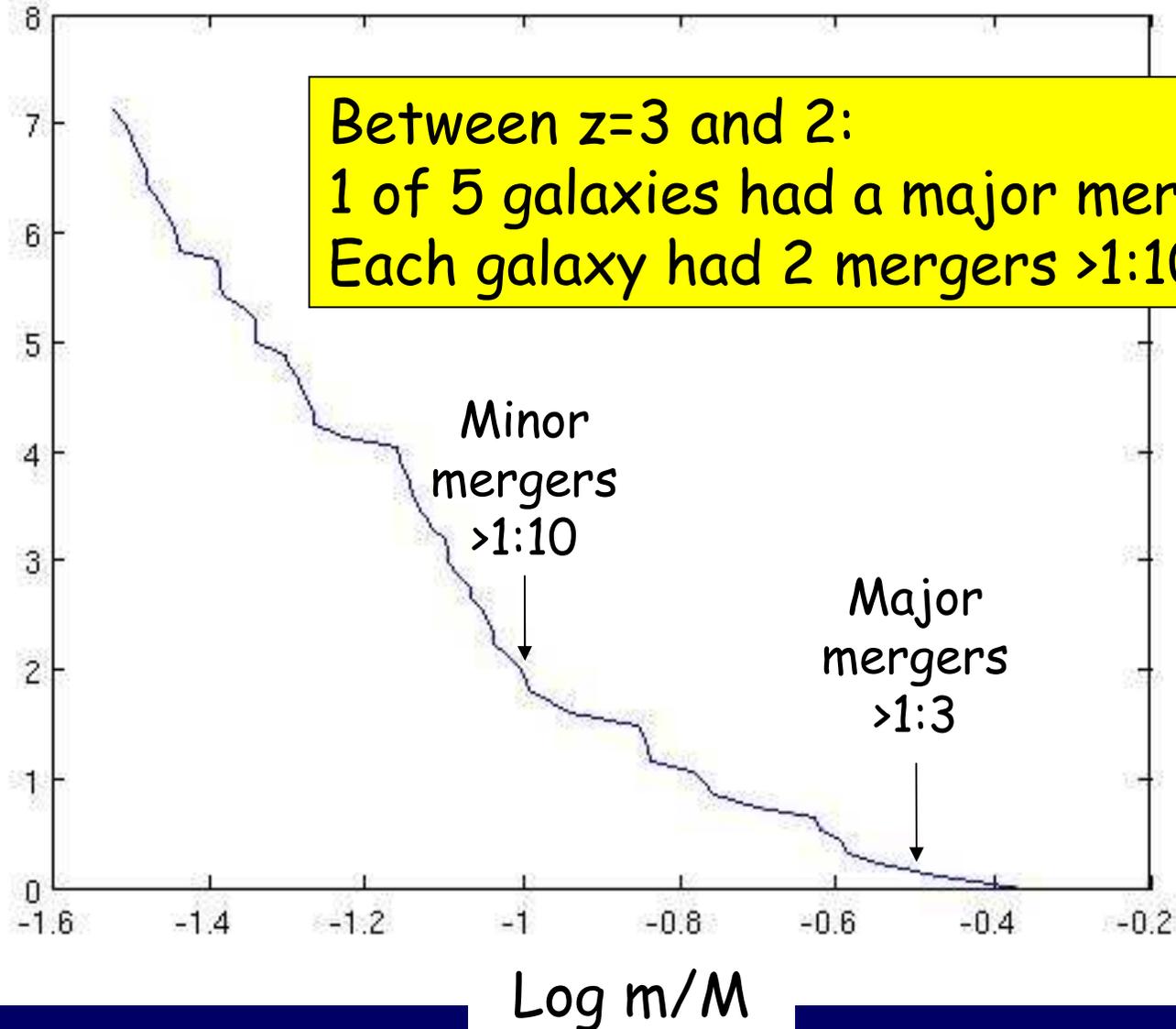
res 30 pc

$z = 5.0$  to  $2.5$

# Merger Rate

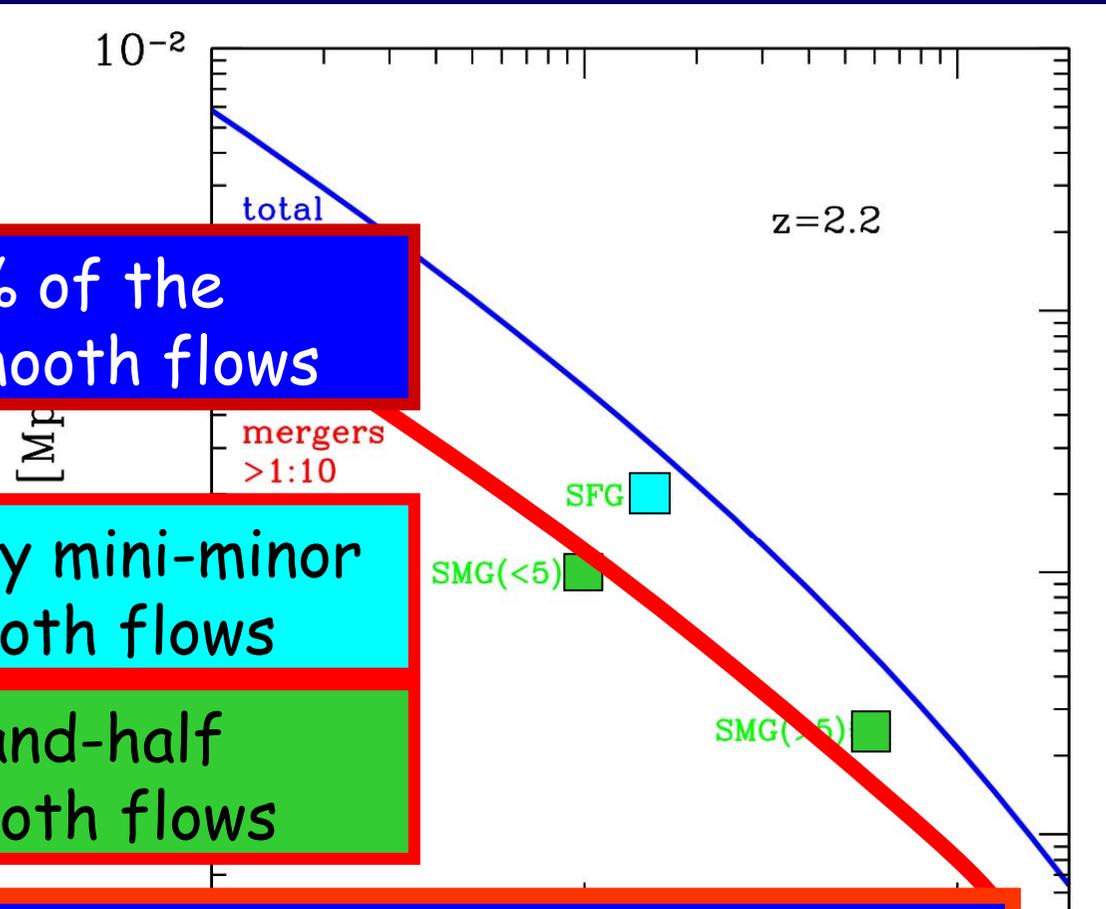
Romero et al. 2010

# per Gyr  
of mergers  
> $m/M$



# Fraction of Mergers

$$n(\dot{M}) = \int_0^{\infty} P(\dot{M} | M) n(M) dM$$



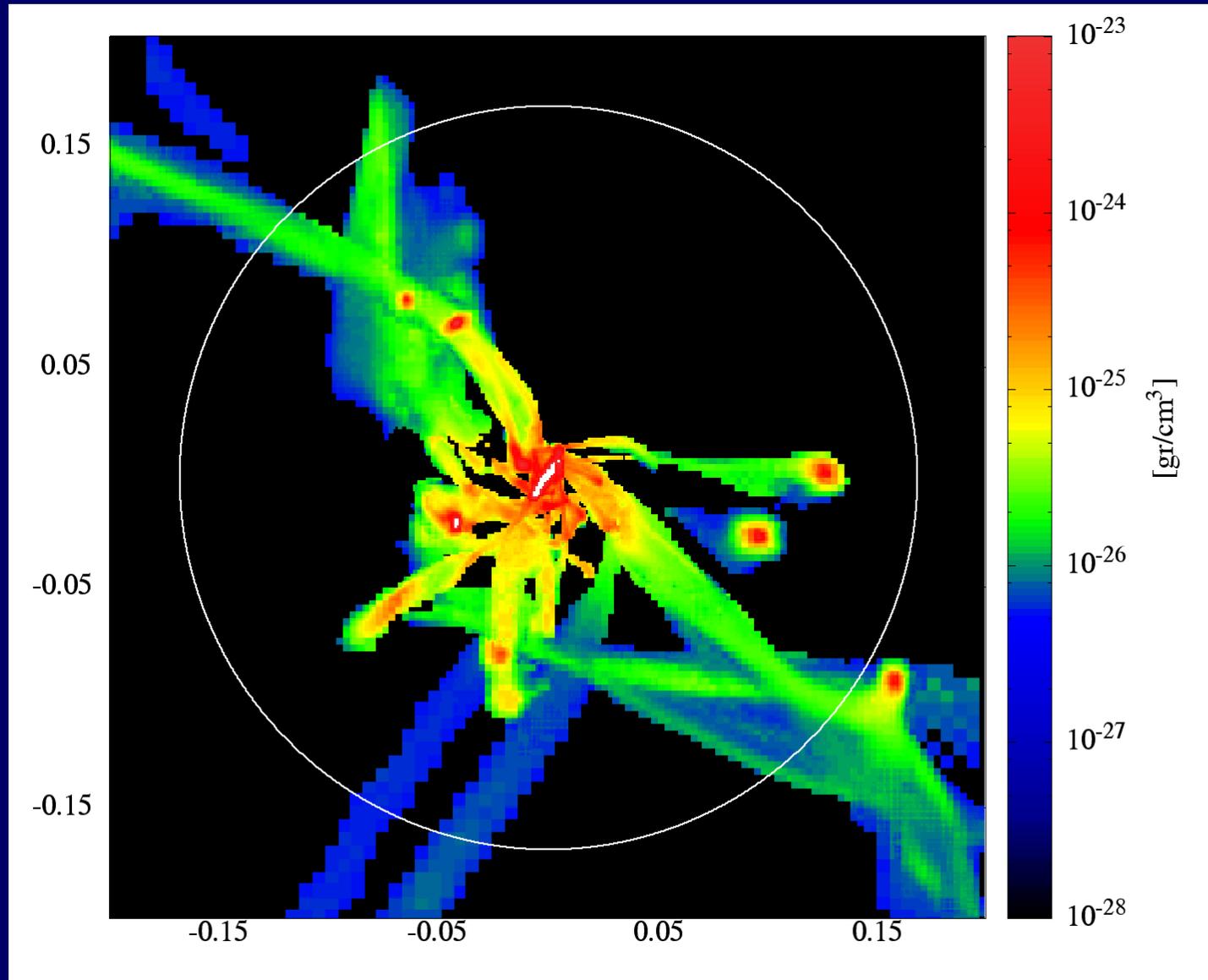
At a given  $dM/dt$ , 75% of the galaxies are fed by smooth flows

BzK/BX/BM are mostly mini-minor mergers  $<1:10$ , i.e. smooth flows

Bright SMG are half-and-half mergers  $>1:10$  and smooth flows

SFG: Stream-Fed Galaxies

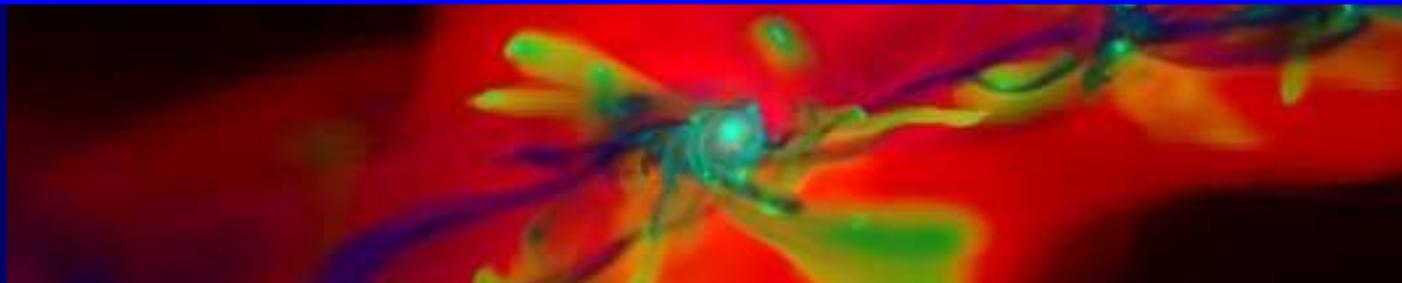
A third of the stream mass is in clump  $>1:10$



Birnboim,  
Zinger,  
Dekel,  
Kravtsov

## 7. Extended Rotating Disks

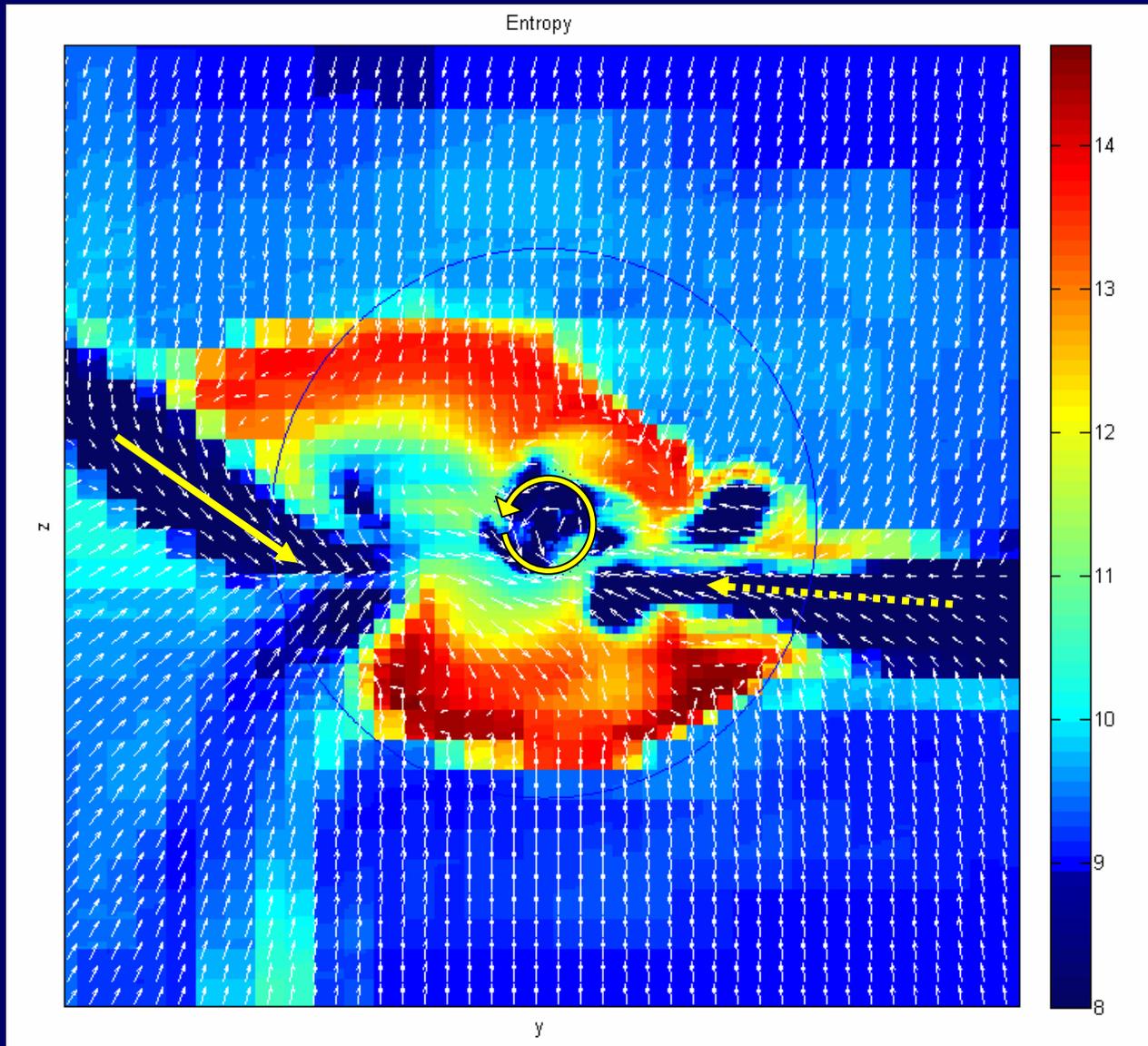
- Streams bring in the angular momentum
- Extended disks must form (in many cases)
- Disk spin & size are determined by one stream
- Clumpy streams generate turbulence



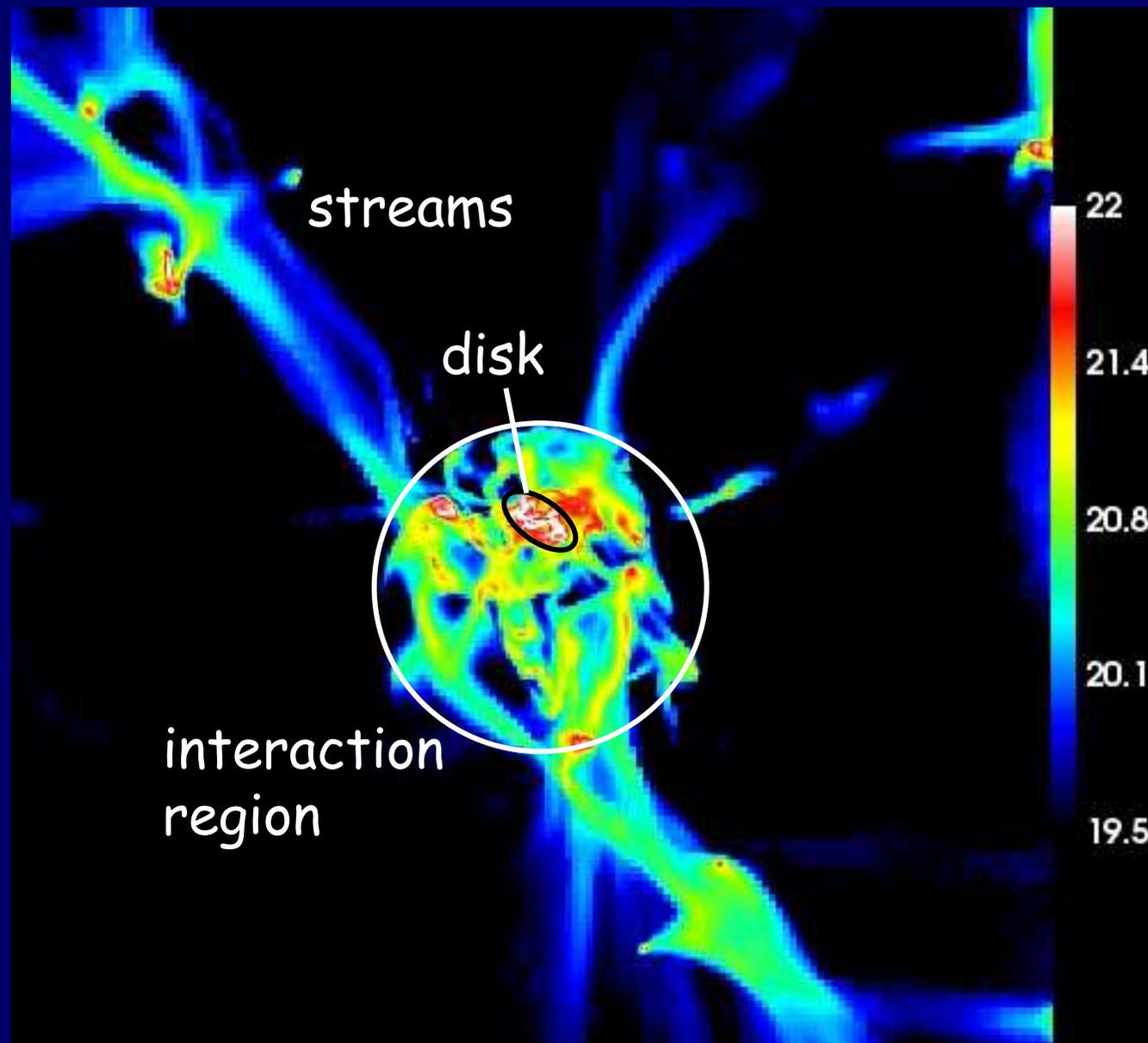
Open issues:

- Origin of large disk sizes ?
- Origin of "dispersion-dominated" galaxies  $V/\sigma < 2$  ?
- Angular momentum? Stream clumpiness? Feedback?

# Disk Buildup by Streams

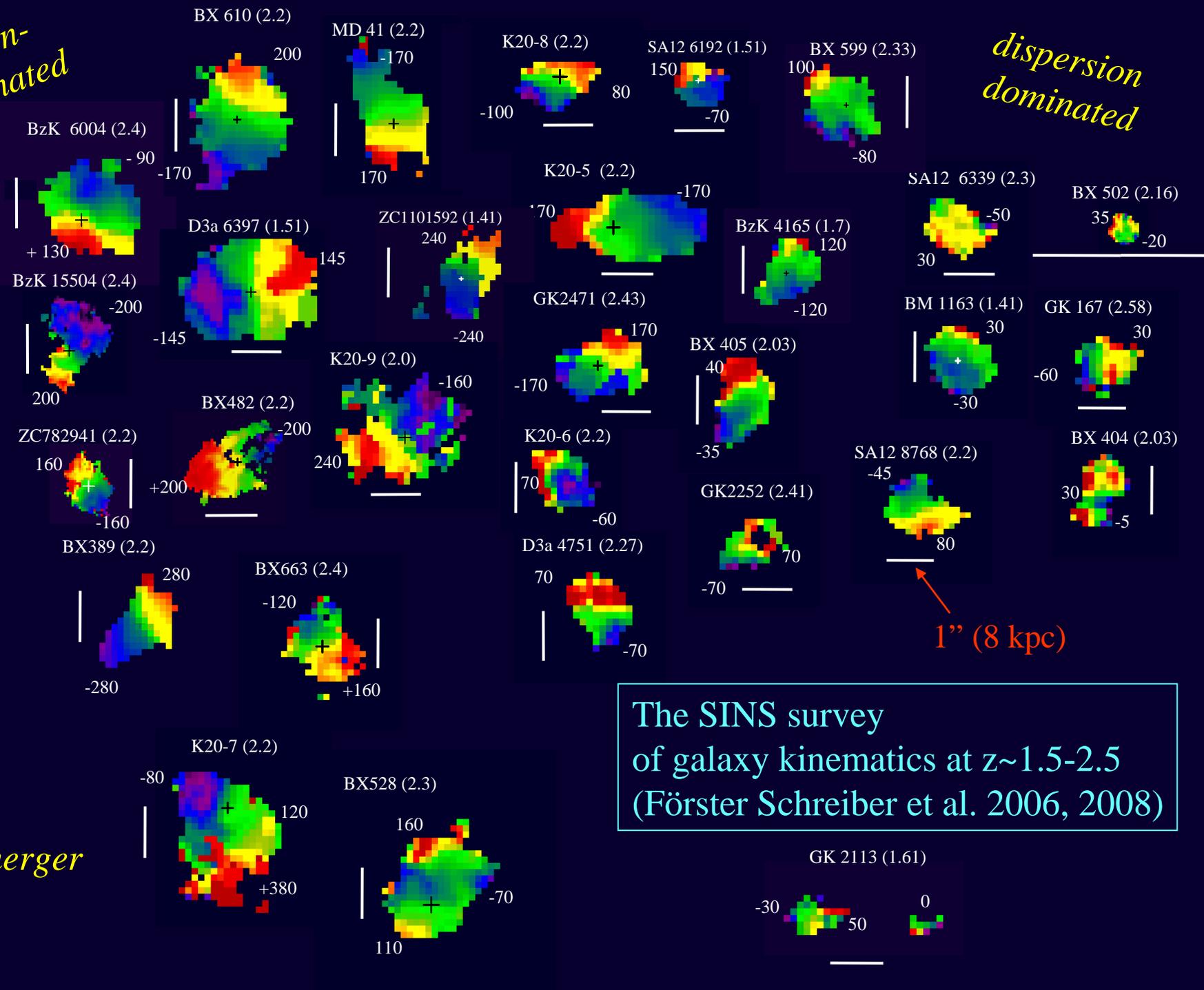


# A Disk Fed by Cold Streams



*rotation-dominated*

*dispersion dominated*



*merger*

The SINS survey  
of galaxy kinematics at  $z \sim 1.5-2.5$   
(Förster Schreiber et al. 2006, 2008)

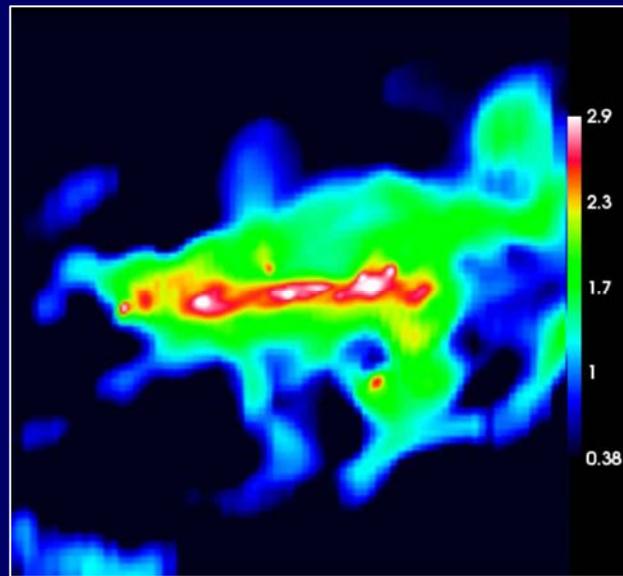
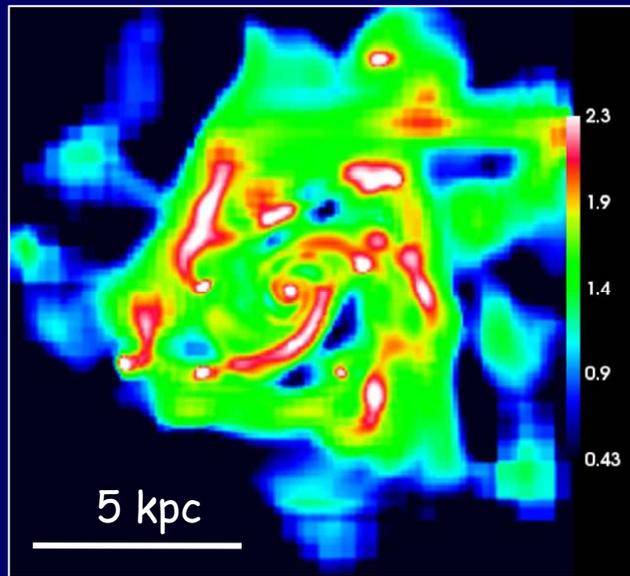
# 8. Wild Disk Instability

High gas density → disk wildly **unstable**

$$Q \approx \frac{\sigma \Omega}{\pi G \Sigma} \leq 1$$

Giant **clumps** and transient features

$$R_{\text{clump}} \approx \frac{7 G \Sigma}{\Omega^2}$$



Noguchi 99  
Immeli et al. 04

Bournaud,  
Elmegreen,  
Elmegreen 06, 08

Dekel, Sari,  
Ceverino 09

Ceverino,  
Dekel,  
Bournaud 09

Agertz et al. 09

**Self-regulation** at  $Q \sim 1$  by clump encounters and torques, high  $\sigma/V \sim 1/4$

Efficient **star formation** in the clumps (to be understood)

Rapid migration of massive clumps and angular-momentum transport  
→ **bulge** formation

# turbulent disk - giant clumps - migration -

Formation of an exponential spiral disk and a central bulge

from the evolution of a gas-rich primordial disk evolving through a clumpy phase



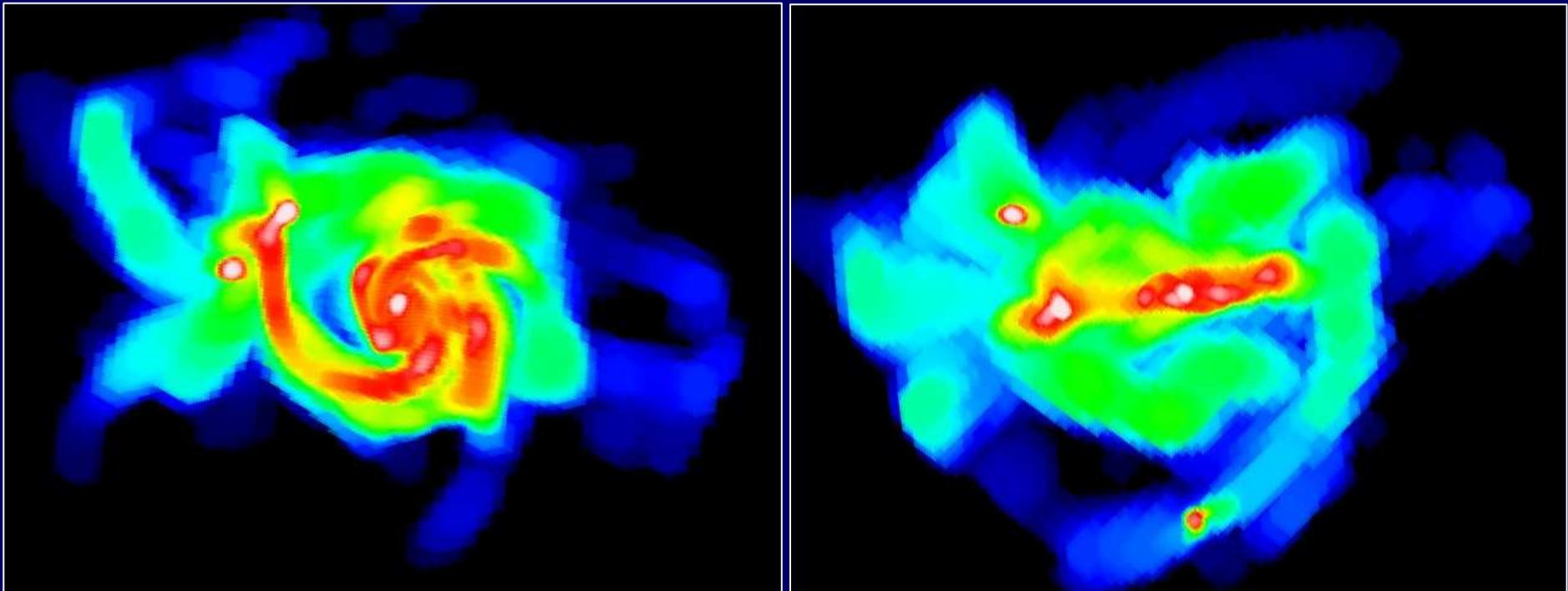
Models from Bournaud, Elmegreen & Elmegreen 2007

Noguchi 99;

One episode of 0.5 Gyr? green 06, 08

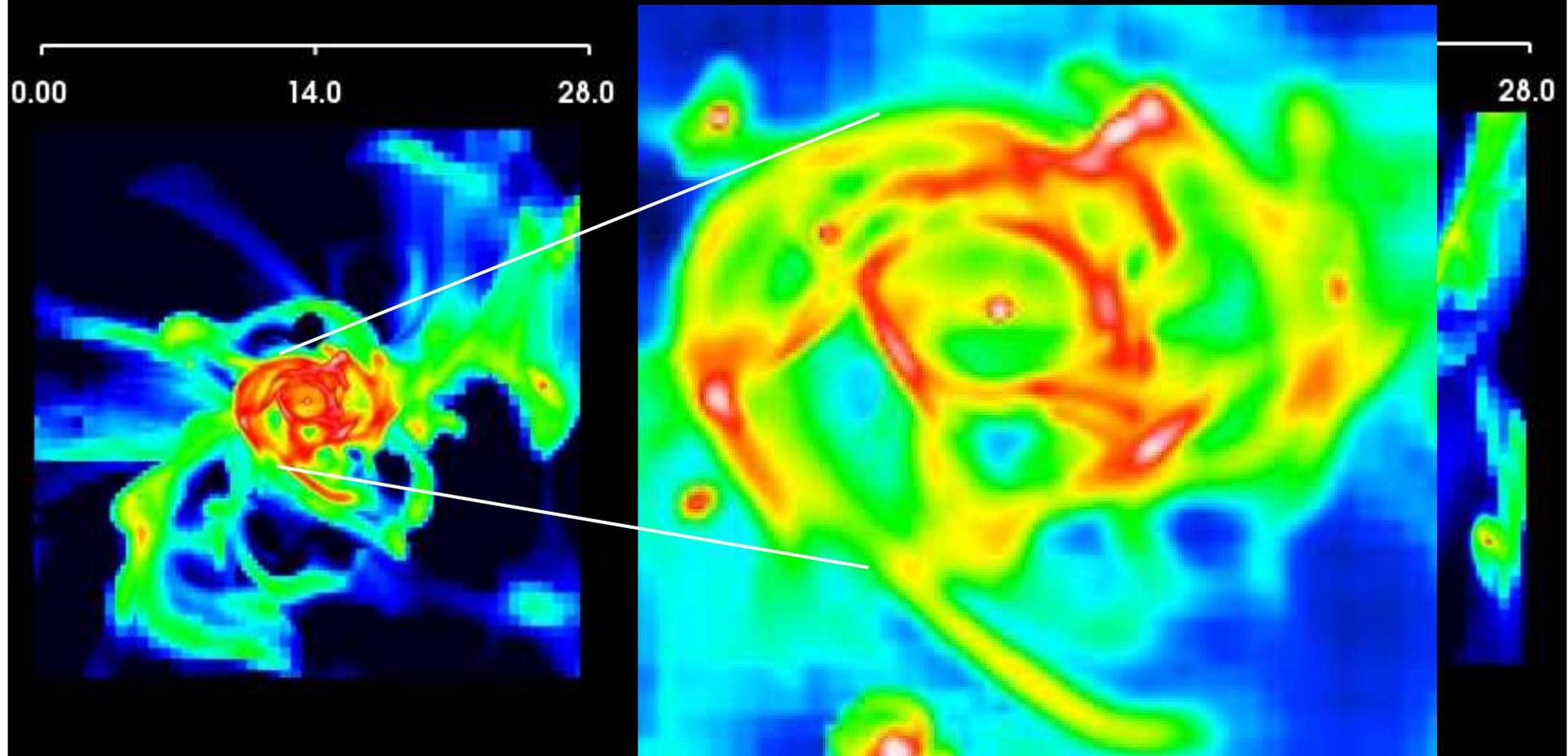
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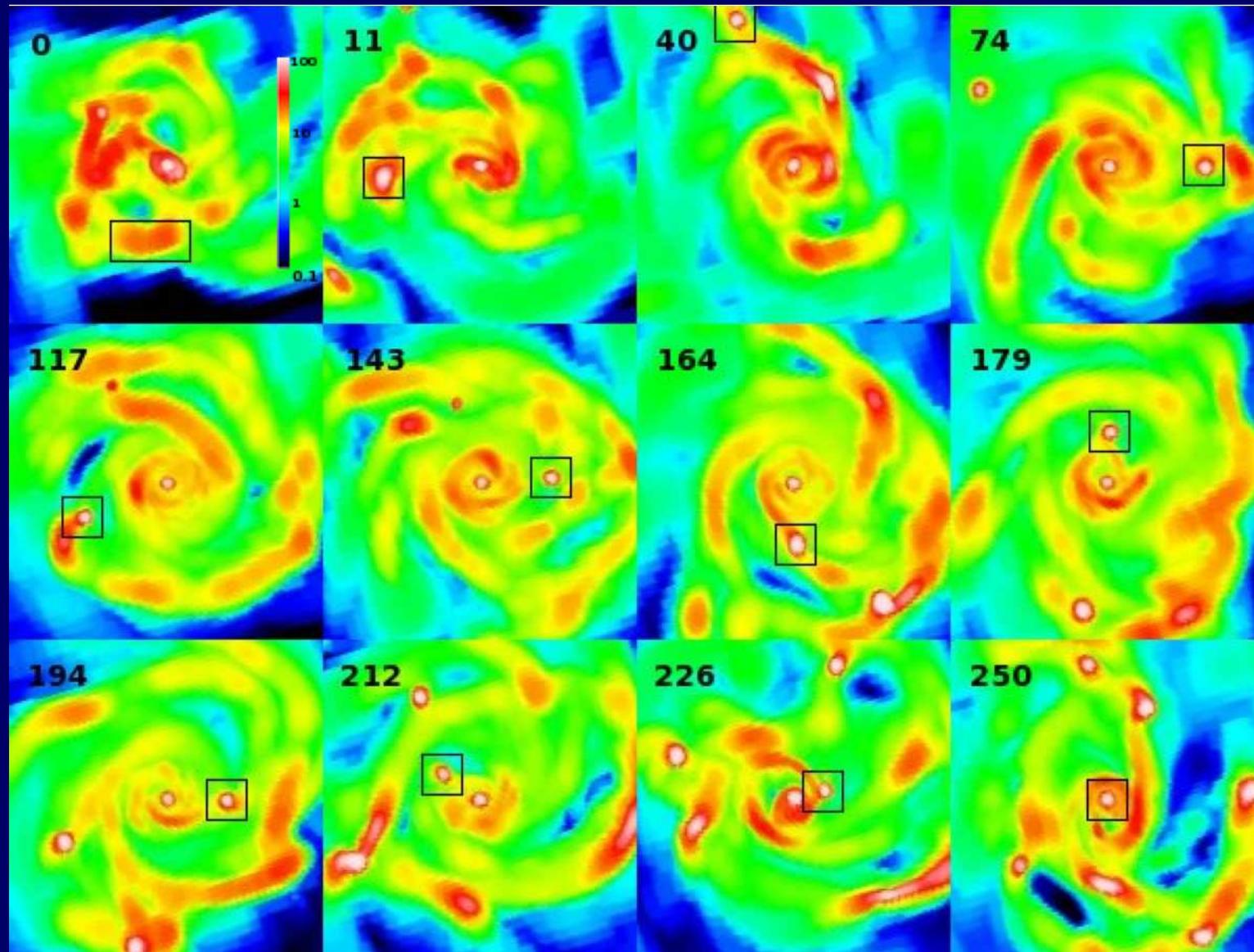


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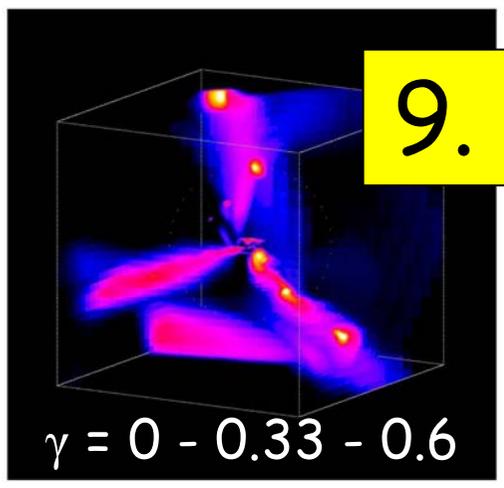


# Clump Formation & Migration



# 9. Cosmological Steady State

Dekel, Sari, Ceverino 09



stream  
clumps

$$\gamma \dot{M}_{acc}$$

mergers

migration

$$\dot{M}_{evac}$$

smooth  
streams

$$(1-\gamma)\dot{M}_{acc}$$

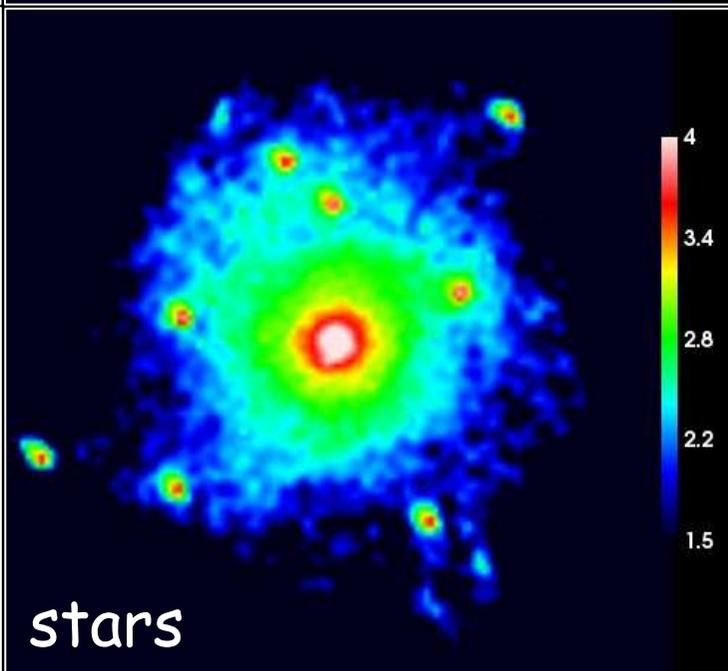
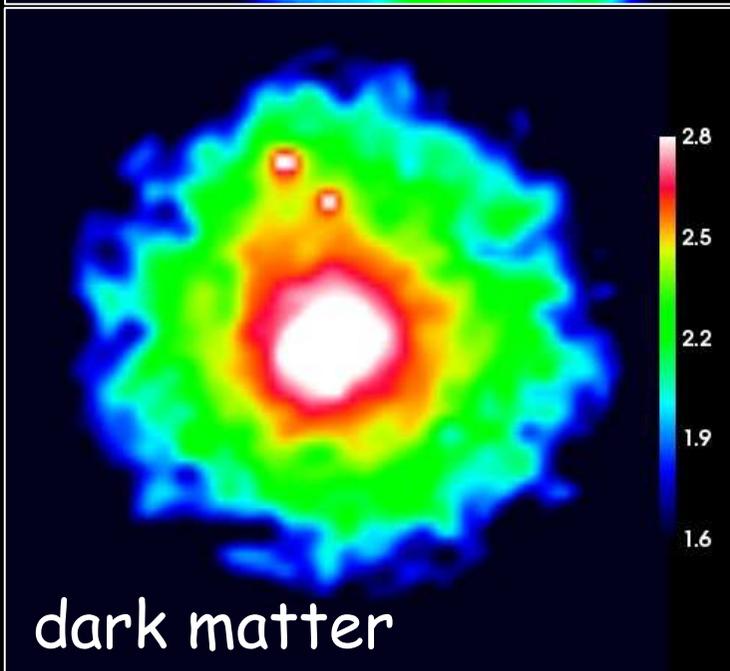
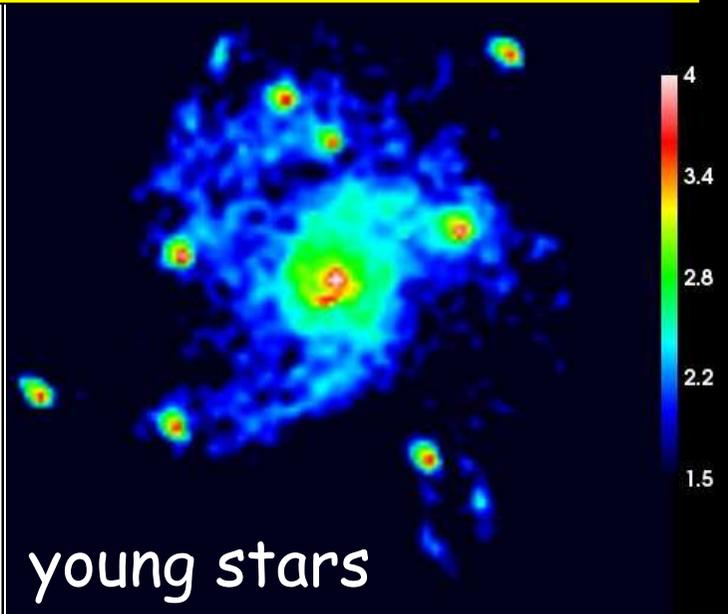
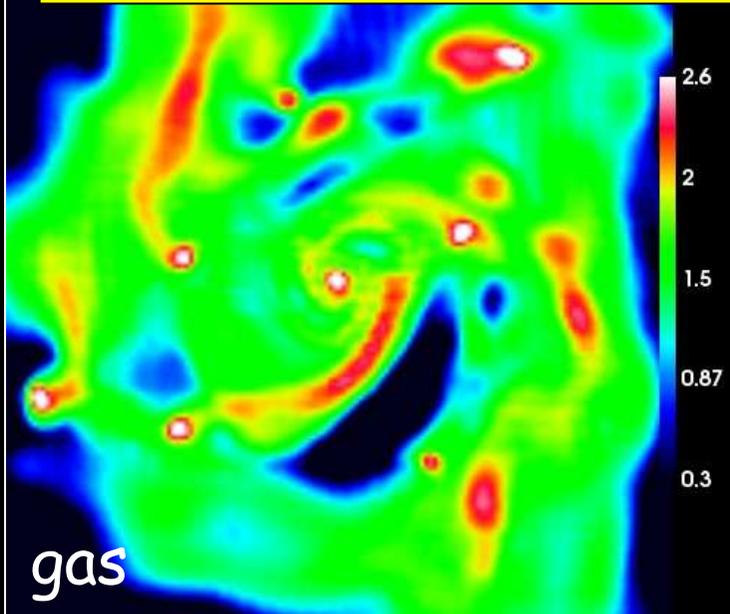
$$\dot{M}_{disk} = (1-\gamma)\dot{M}_{acc} - \dot{M}_{evac}(\delta)$$

$$\dot{M}_{bulge} = \gamma\dot{M}_{acc} + \dot{M}_{evac}(\delta)$$

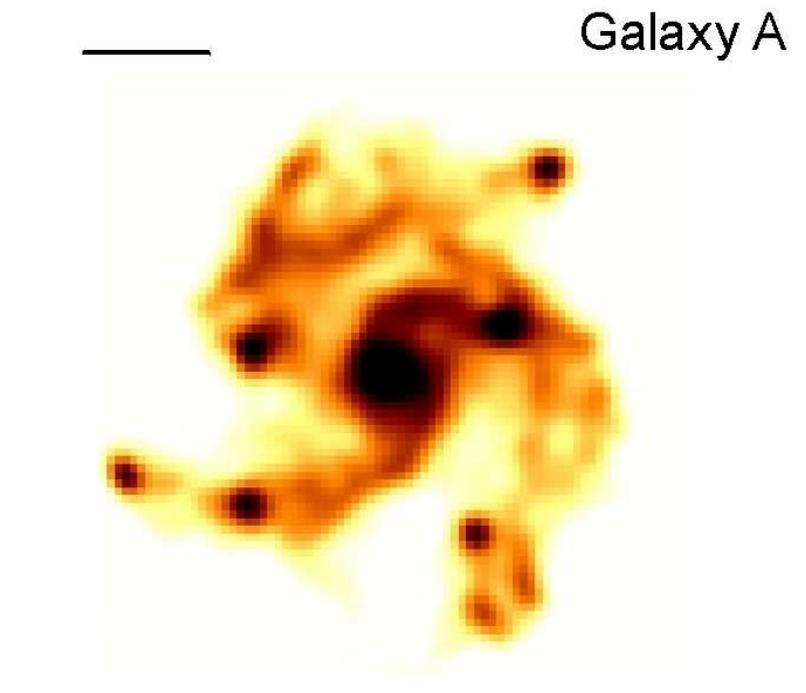
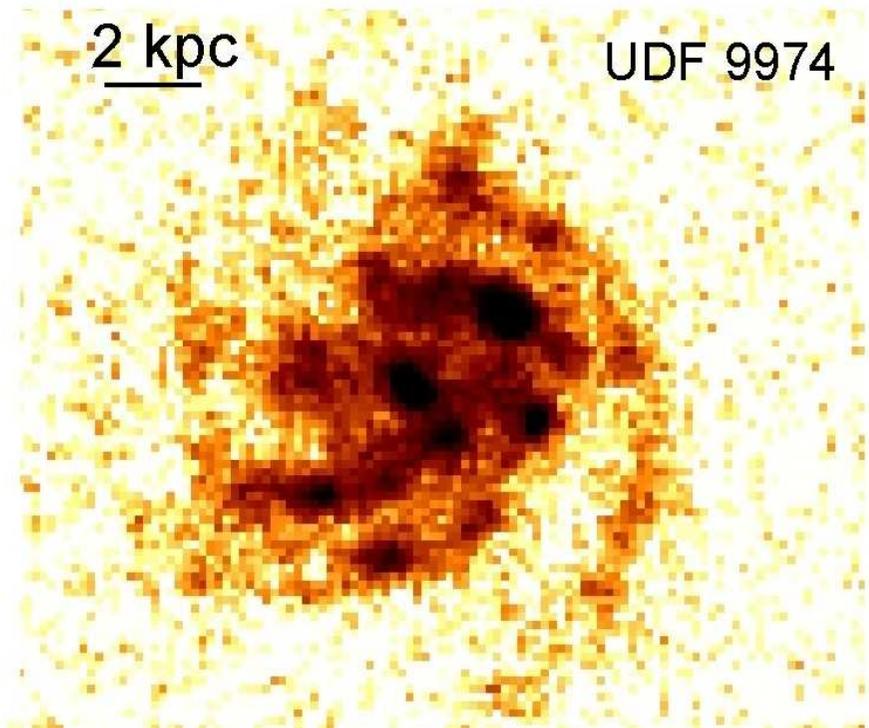
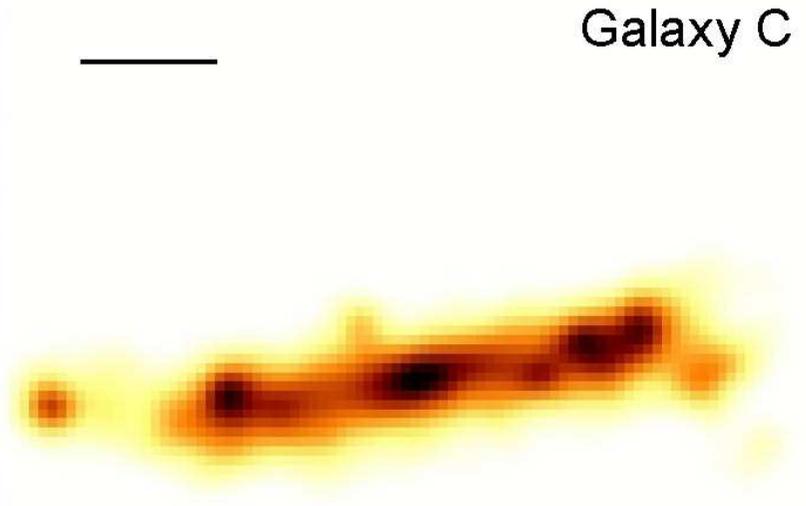
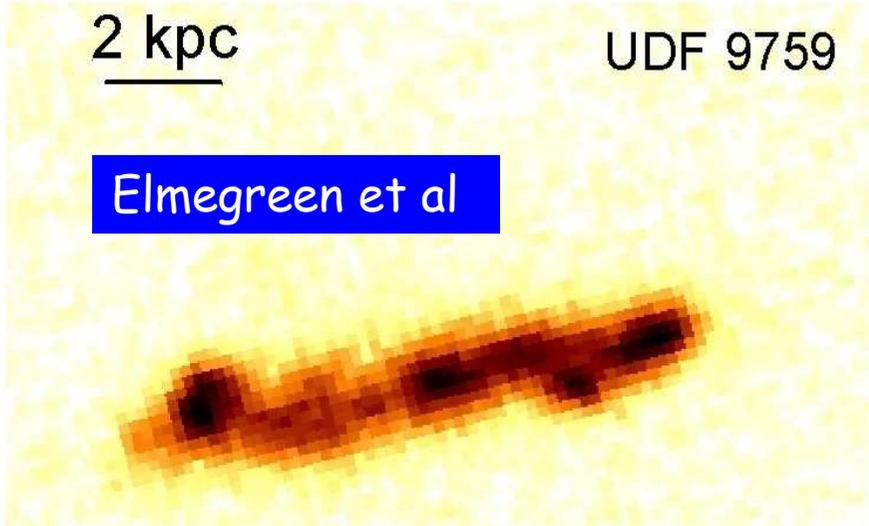
$$\delta \equiv \frac{M_{disk}}{M_{tot}}$$

Steady state for several Gyrs:  
draining disk is replenished by cold streams,  
bulge  $\sim$  disk  $\sim$  dark matter

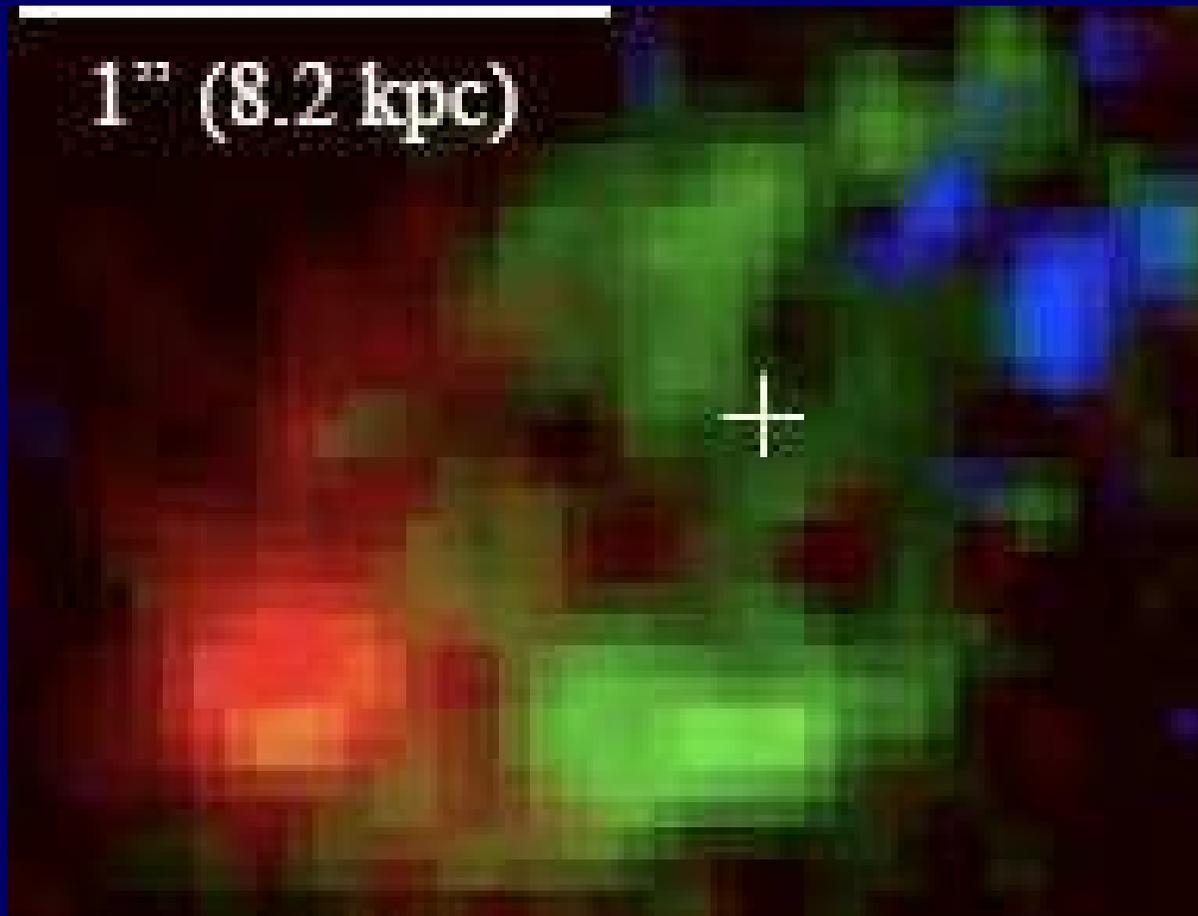
# Disk Clumps vs Stream Clumps



# Observations vs. Simulations



A typical star-forming galaxy at  $z=2$ :  
clumpy, rotating, extended disk & a bulge



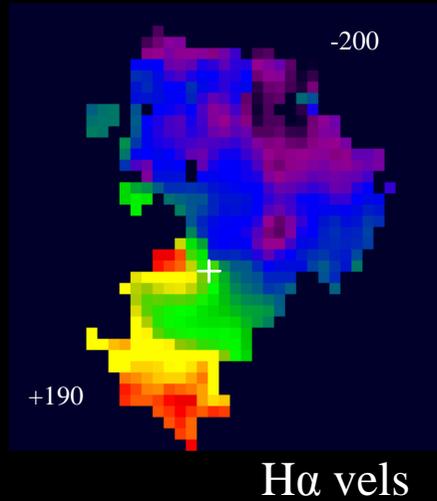
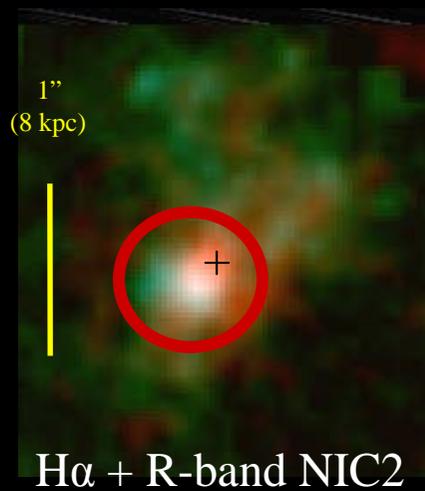
H $\alpha$  star-form  
regions

color-code  
velocity field

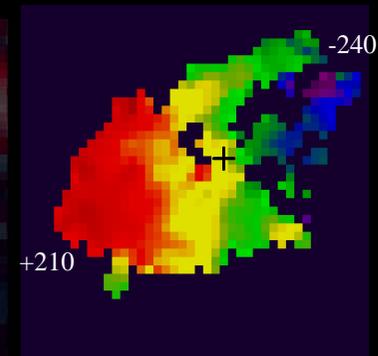
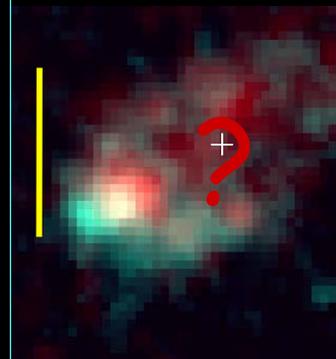
Genzel et al 08

# Clumpy disks with comparable bulges

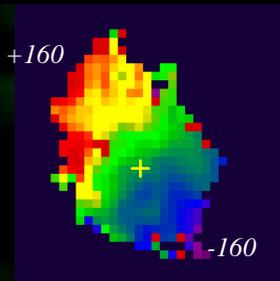
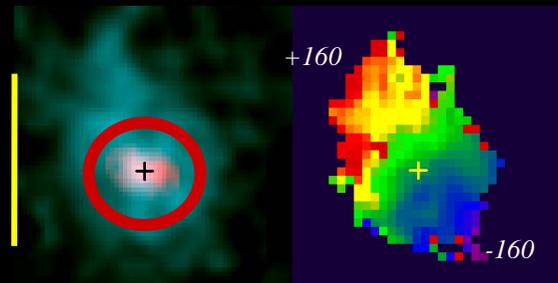
*BzK 15504*  $z=2.4$



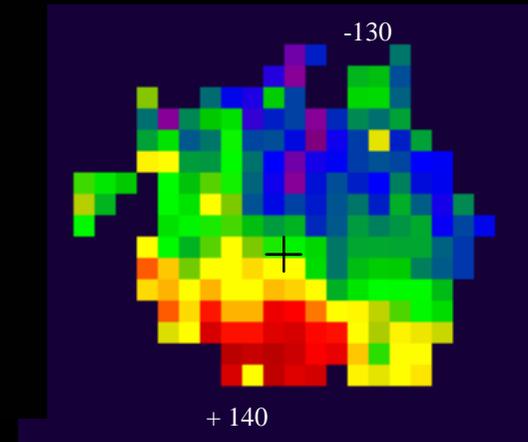
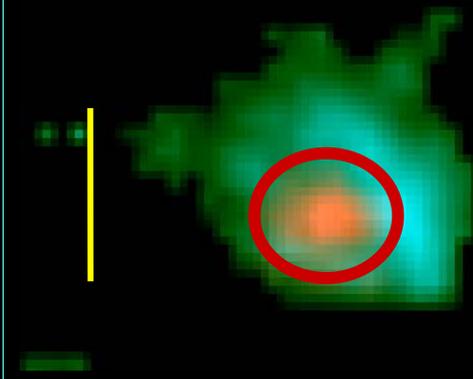
*BX 482*  $z=2.2$



*BzK-ZC782941*  $z=2.2$



*BzK 6004*  $z=2.4$

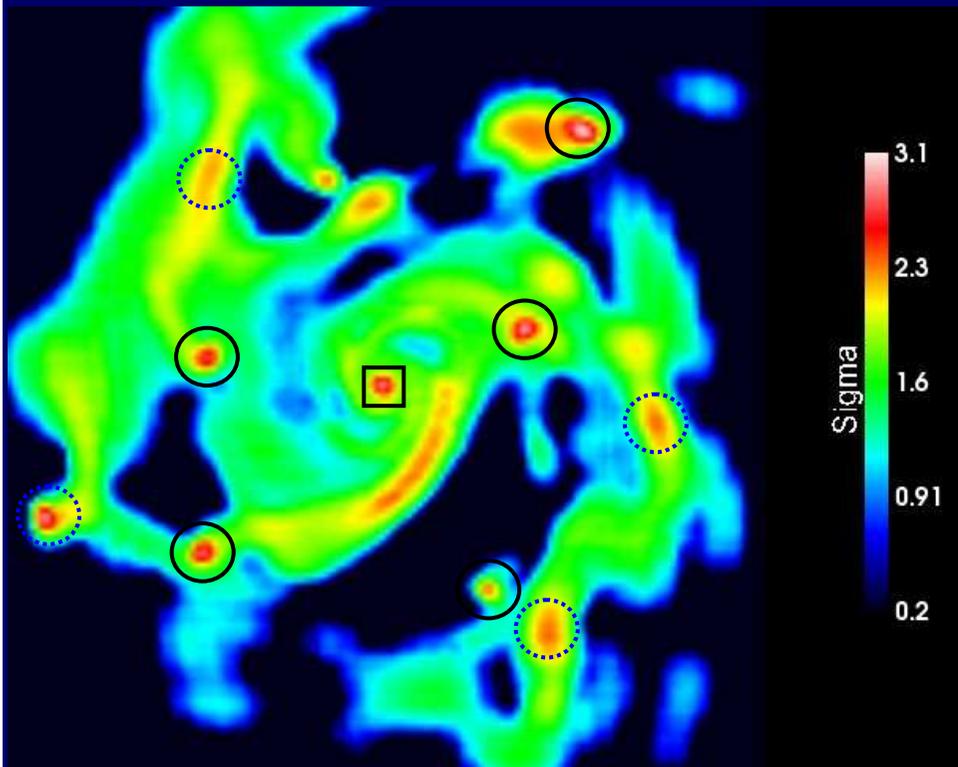


Genzel et al. 08; Förster Schreiber et al. 20

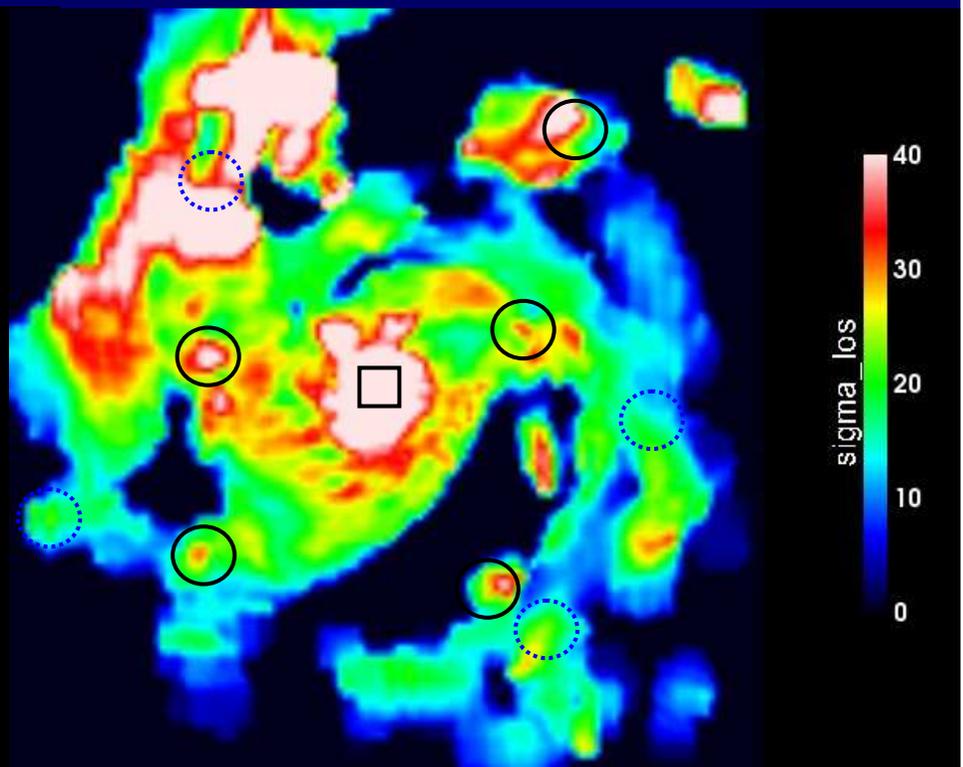
$M(\leq 3 \text{ kpc})/M(\leq 15 \text{ kpc}) \sim 0.2-0.4$

# Kinematic detection of clumps?

Gas density



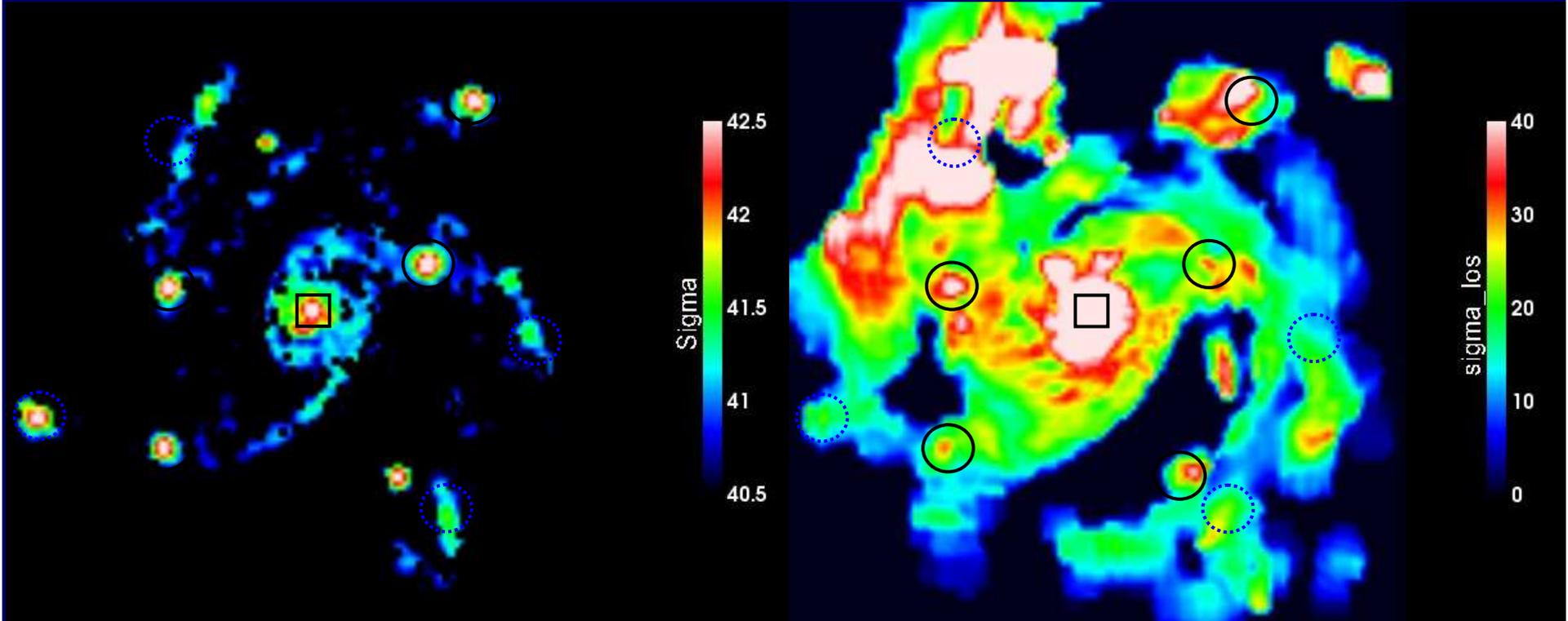
Velocity dispersion



# Kinematic detection of clumps?

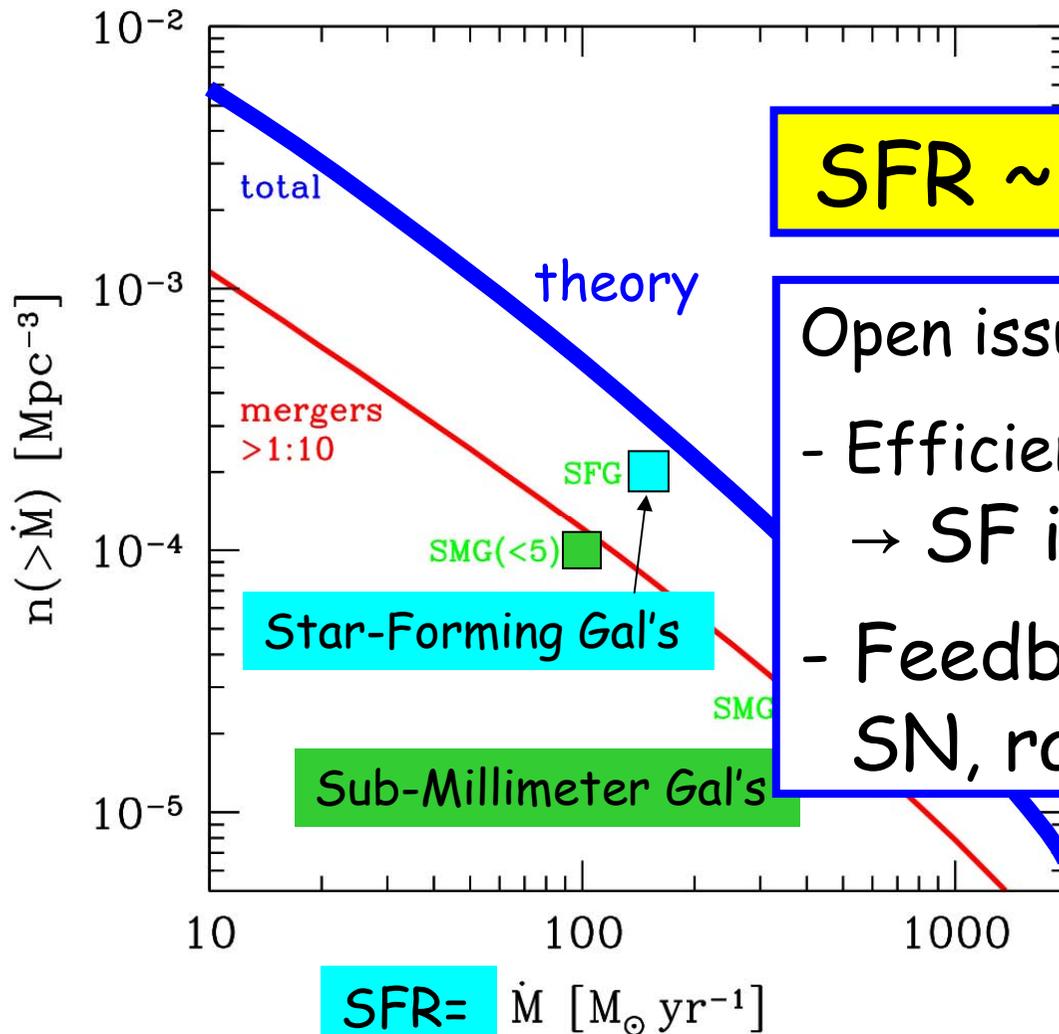
H-alpha density

Velocity dispersion



# 10. Rapid Star Formation - in Clumps

Theory versus observation



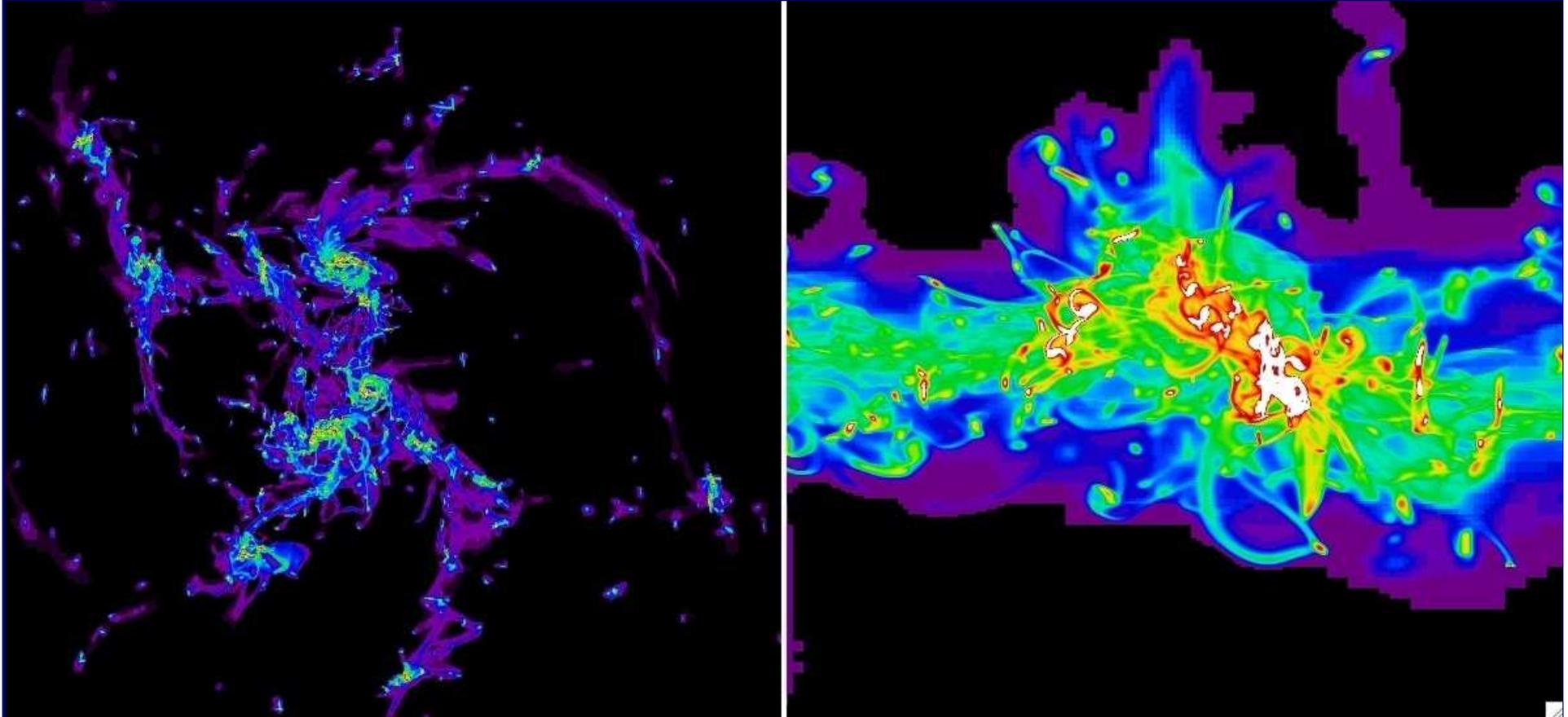
SFR  $\sim$  inflow rate

Open issues:

- Efficiency  $\text{SFR}/(\dot{M}_{\text{in}}/\text{td}) \sim 1\%$   
→ SF in sub-clumps
- Feedback & clump survival  
SN, radiative, AGN

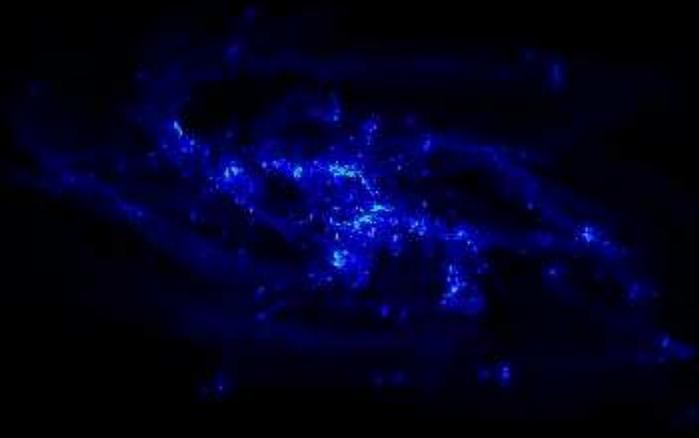
Dekel et al 09

# Sub-structure in the disk giant clumps



Bournaud 09 AMR 2 pc resolution

# Sub-structure in the disk



Bournaud 09; AMR 2 pc resolution

# Survival of Giant Clumps

Murray et al. 09; Krumholz & Dekel 09

SFR efficiency  $\varepsilon \equiv \frac{\dot{\Sigma}_*}{\Sigma_g / t_{\text{ff}}} \sim 0.01$  -- Kennicutt law

$$t_{\text{ff}} \approx 15 \text{ Myr } M_9^{-1/2} R_1^{3/2}$$

If  $t_{\text{ff}} > 3 \text{ Myr}$ , the mass fraction ejected is

$$f_{\text{eject}} \approx 0.08 \varepsilon_{-2} (\Sigma_{-1} M_9)^{-1/4}$$

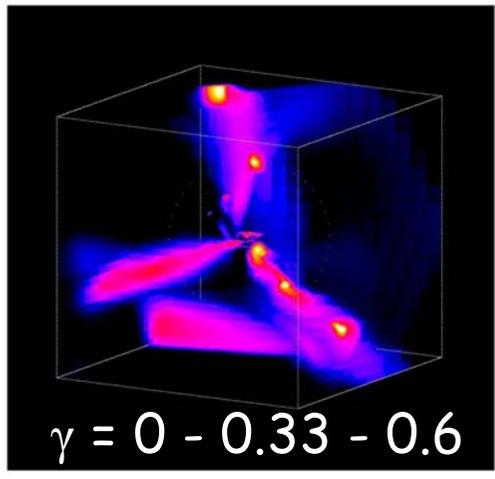


Giant clumps in high-z disks survive if the SFR obeys the Kennicutt law

# 11. Massive Compact Spheroids

- Wet Mergers (incoming stream clumps)
- Wild disk instability (in-situ disk clumps)

Bimodality blue-disk/red-spheroid at high  $z$   
driven by the degree of clumpiness in the streams



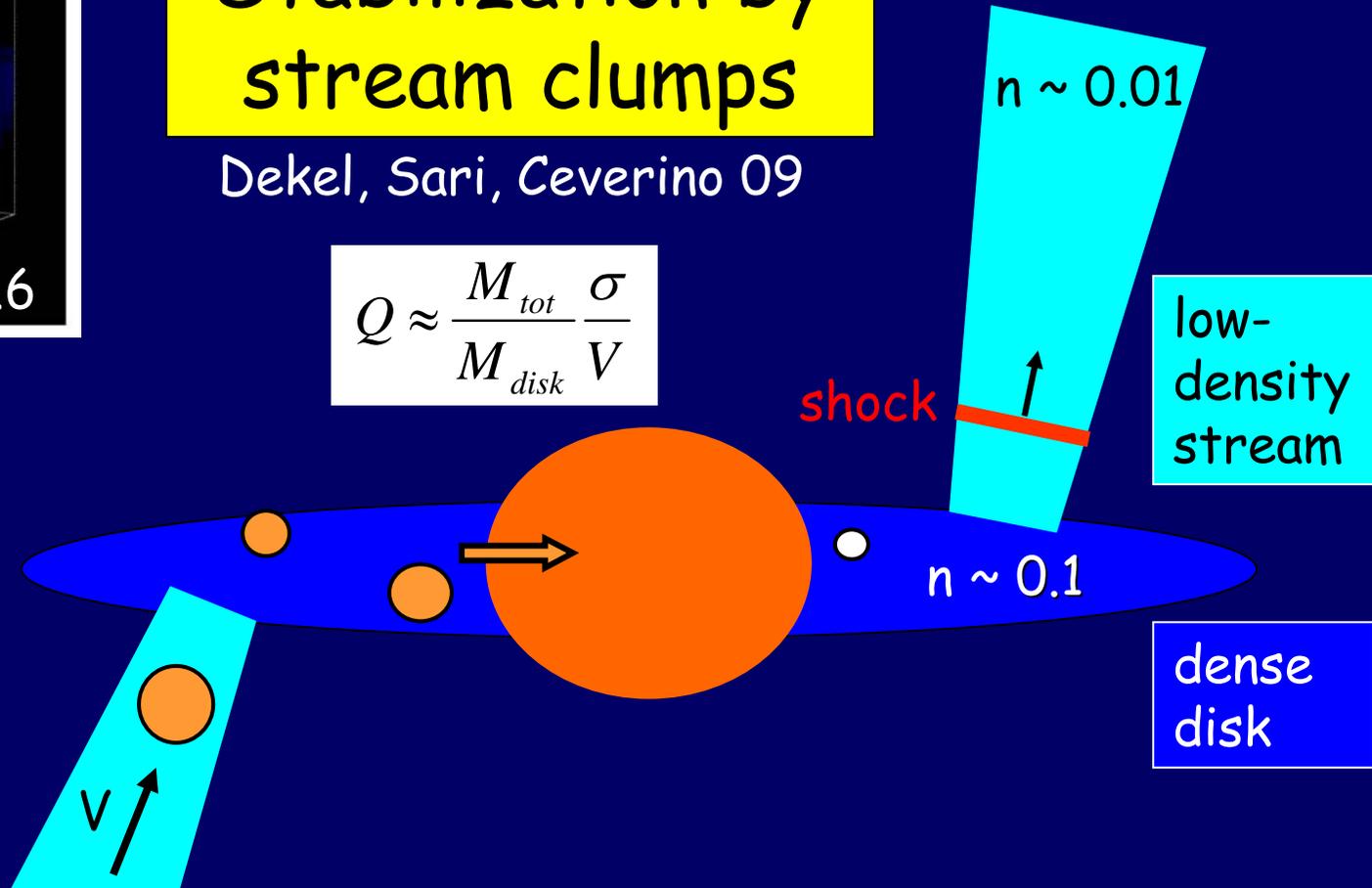
# Stabilization by stream clumps

Dekel, Sari, Ceverino 09

$$Q \approx \frac{M_{tot}}{M_{disk}} \frac{\sigma}{V}$$

dense stream clumps

$$\gamma \dot{M}_{acc}$$



- Stabilization  $Q > 1$  due to bulge growth & turbulence ... driven by clumpy streams
- Cosmological stable steady state for  $M_{disk}/M_{tot} < 0.3$   
→ Bimodality at high  $z$

## 12. Disk Stabilization - SF Quenching

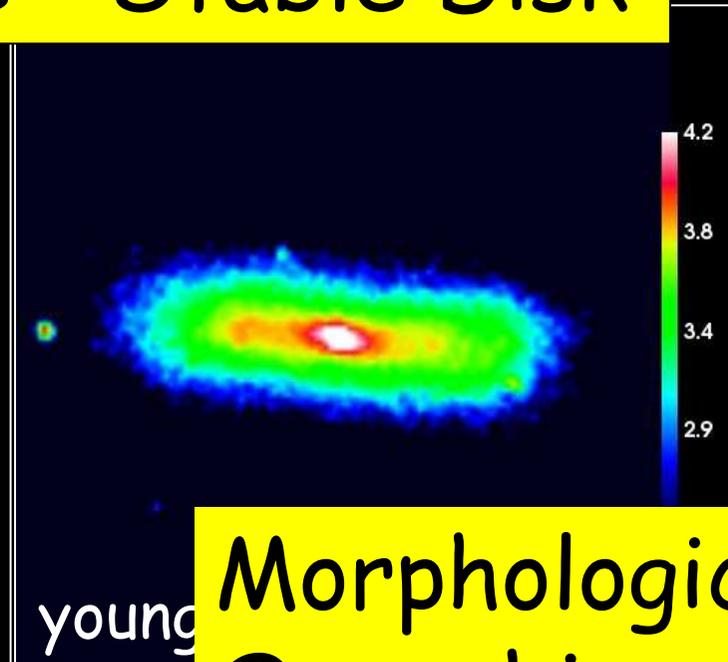
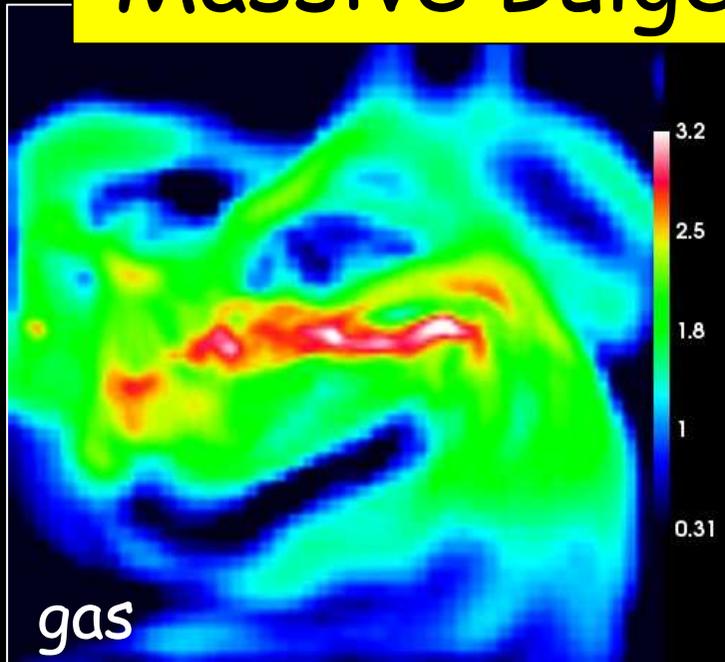
- Dominant bulge - Morphological quenching
- Excessive turbulence by external sources: clumpy streams, feedback
- Low accretion rate (e.g. at late times)
- Low gas fraction (e.g. today's spirals)

Martig  
et al 09

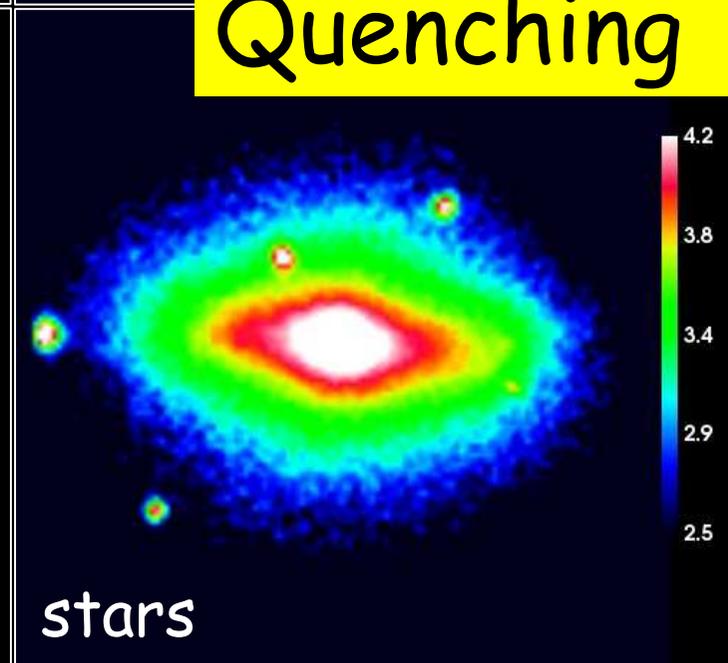
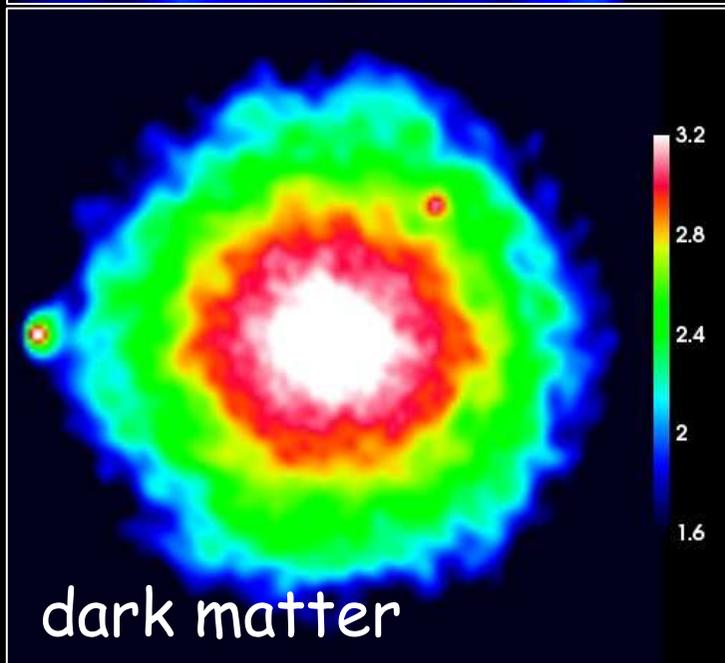
### Relation to today's galaxies ?

- The descendants of the high-z clumpy disks are probably S0s and rotating Es, or thick disks of spirals
- Thin disks form later by slow accretion

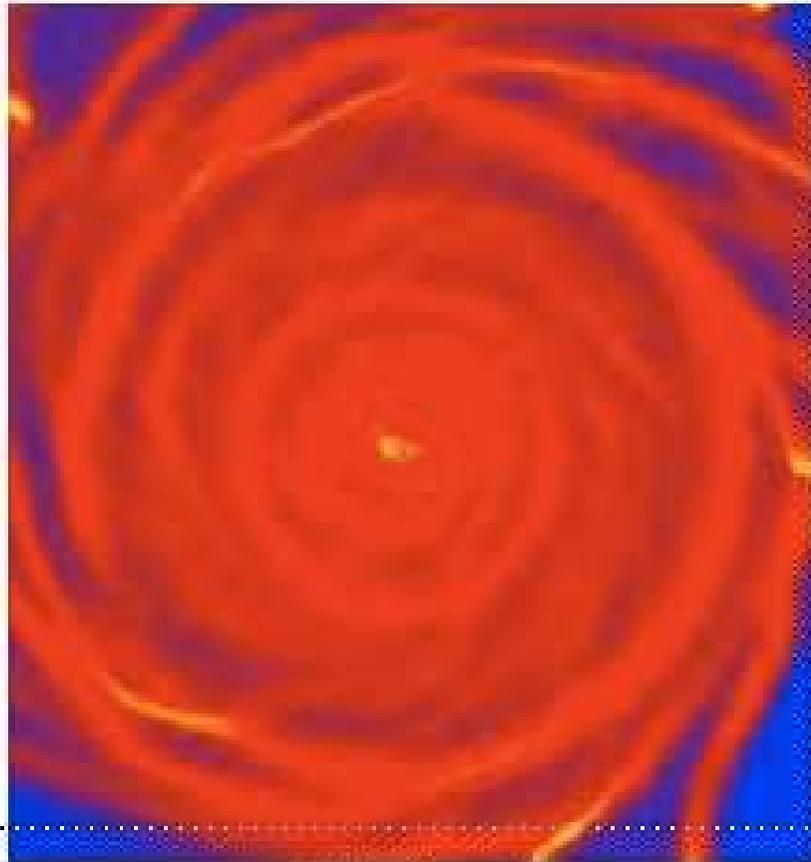
# Massive Bulge - Stable Disk



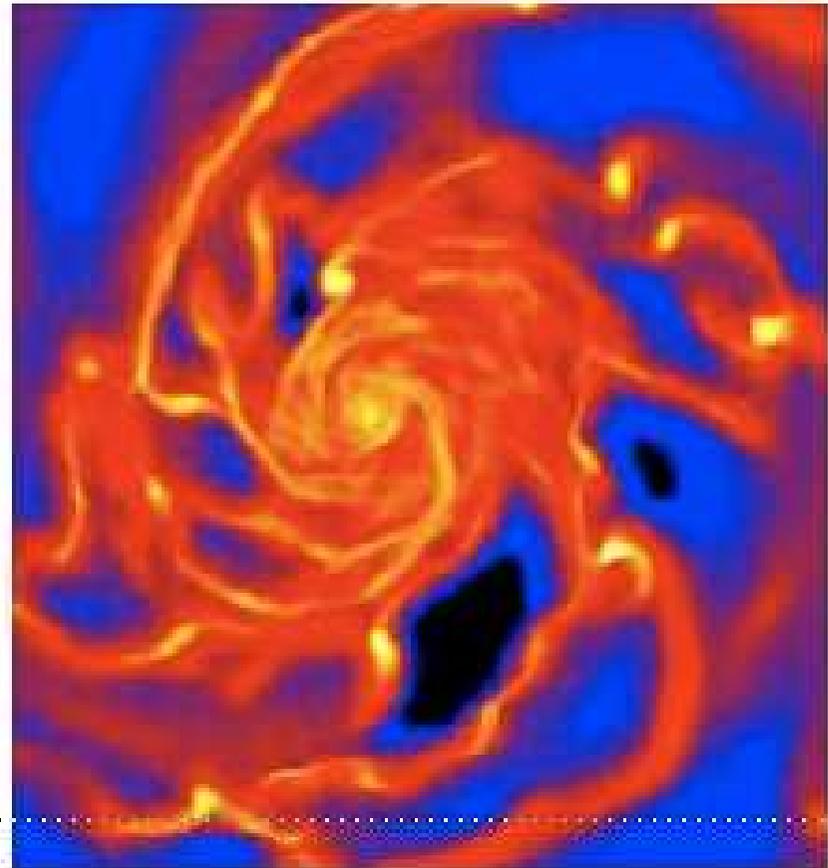
Morphological Quenching



# Morphological Quenching: disk stabilization by a bulge



elliptical



spiral

Bournaud, AMR

# Conclusion

LCDM makes robust theoretical predictions for how massive galaxies form at high  $z$ , consistent with observations, together suggesting a coherent picture

- Galaxies are fed by cold streams from the cosmic web  
Streams include major & minor mergers and smooth flows  
Streams radiate as Lyman-alpha blobs
- Gas-rich disks form, develop wild instability, self-regulated  
Giant clumps form stars (?) and migrate to a bulge  
Cosmological steady state with bulge  $\sim$  disk  
Angular momentum versus dispersion (?)
- Spheroids form by mergers and by wild disk instability
- Disks are stabilized (SFR quenched) by bulge, external turbulence, low accretion rate, gas consumption
- Main open issues: star formation & feedback

# Key Theoretical Issues

1. Cosmic web
2. Accretion rate
2. Virial shock heating
4. Cold streams
5. Lyman-alpha blobs
6. Stream clumpiness: mergers
7. Rotation vs dispersion: angular momentum & feedback
8. Disk instability
9. Cosmological steady state
10. SFR in disk clumps
11. Spheroid formation
12. Stabilization - SF quenching.  
Descendants at  $z=0$