

The low-redshift ($z=1$) CGM with



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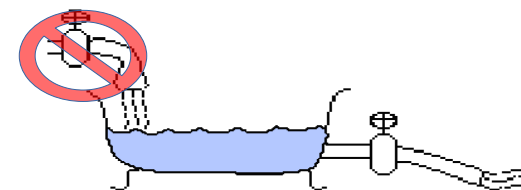
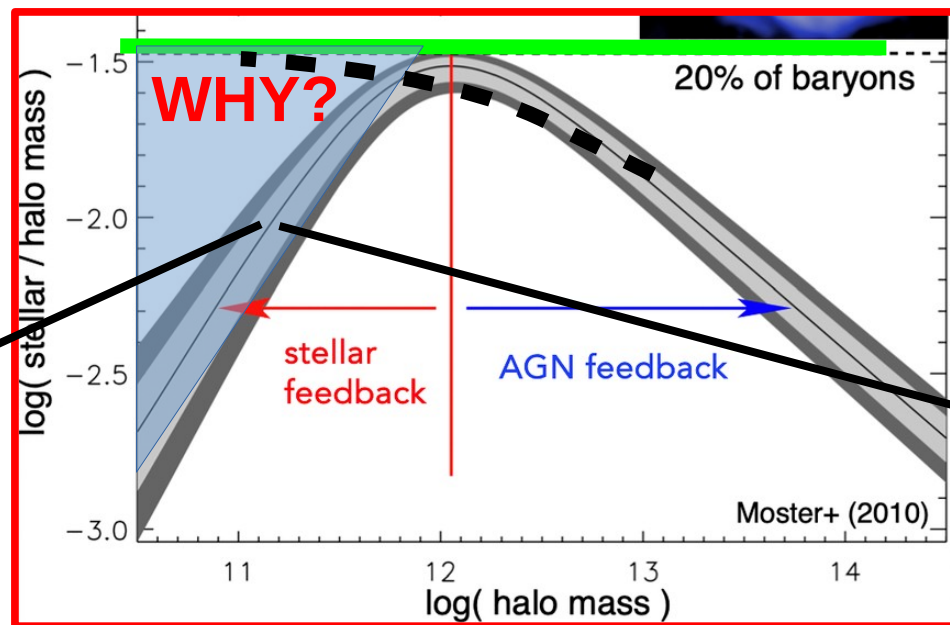


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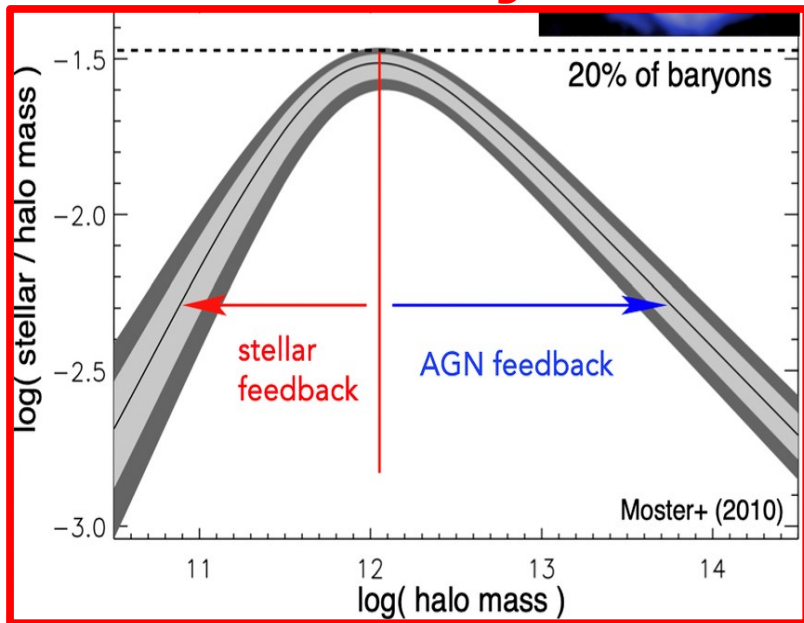
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Bennett, Smith+24

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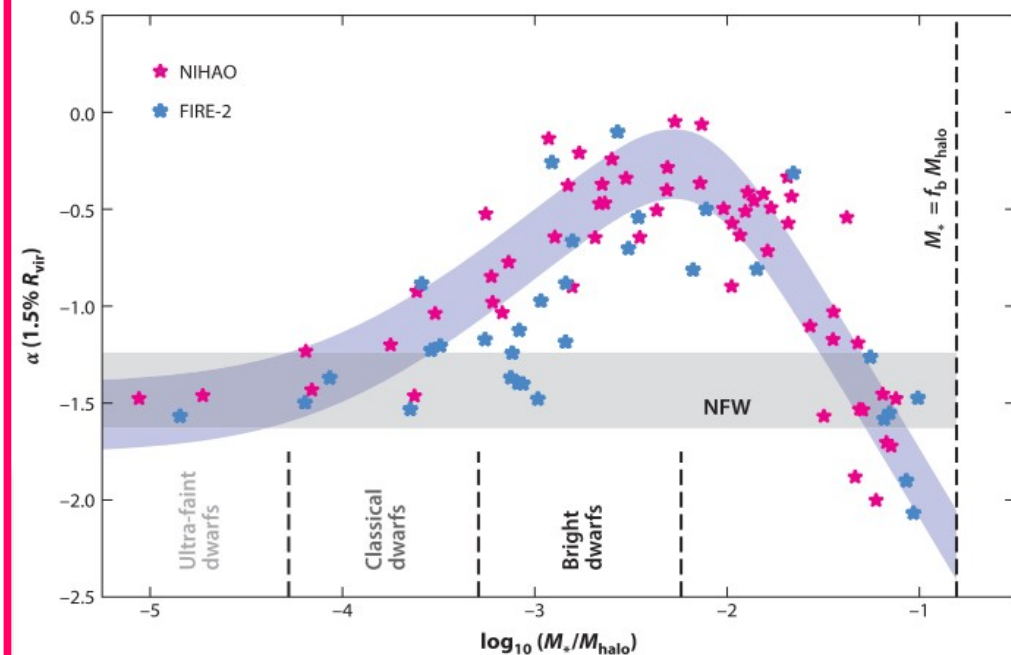
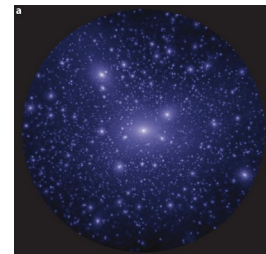
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Cusp-Core



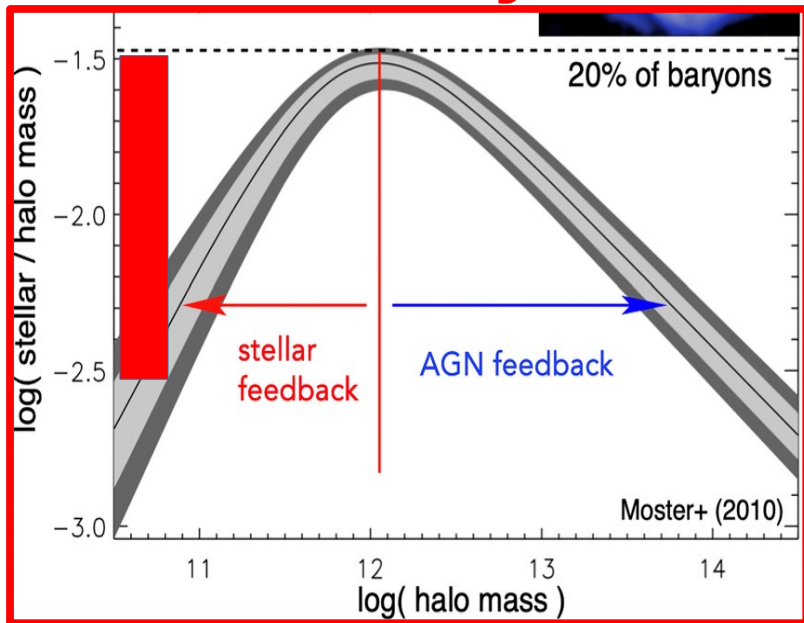
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Lazar et al. 2020; Di Cintio 2014,

NFW 96; Governato 2007; Pontzen 12,14

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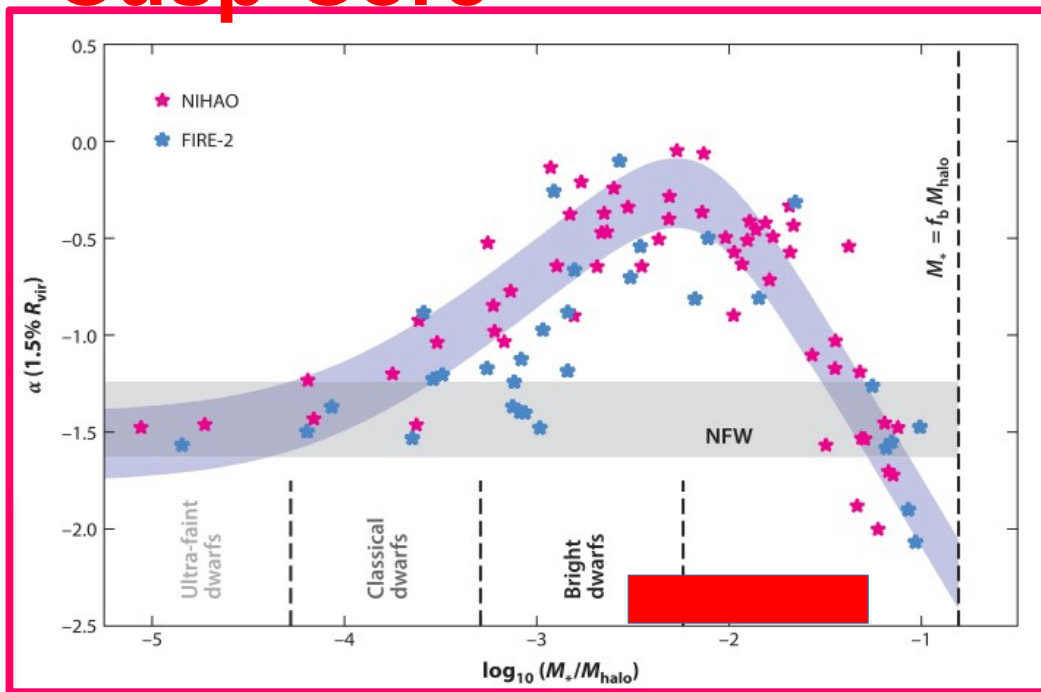
Efficiency



MUSE Gas Flow and Wind (MEGAFLOW)
14 papers; NB+2025 (Survey)

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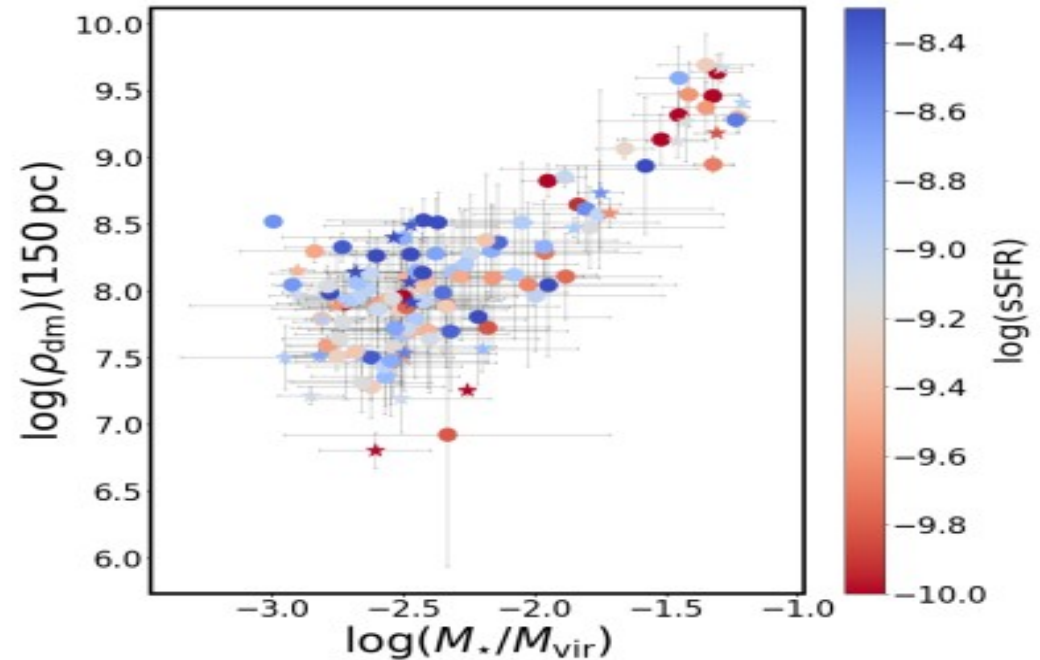
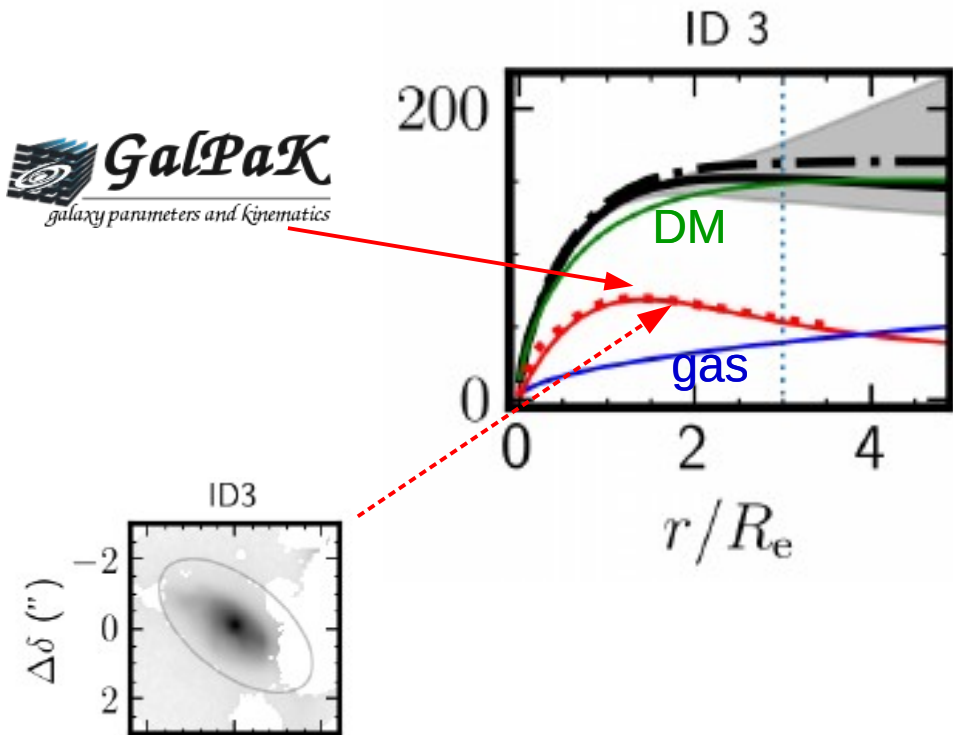
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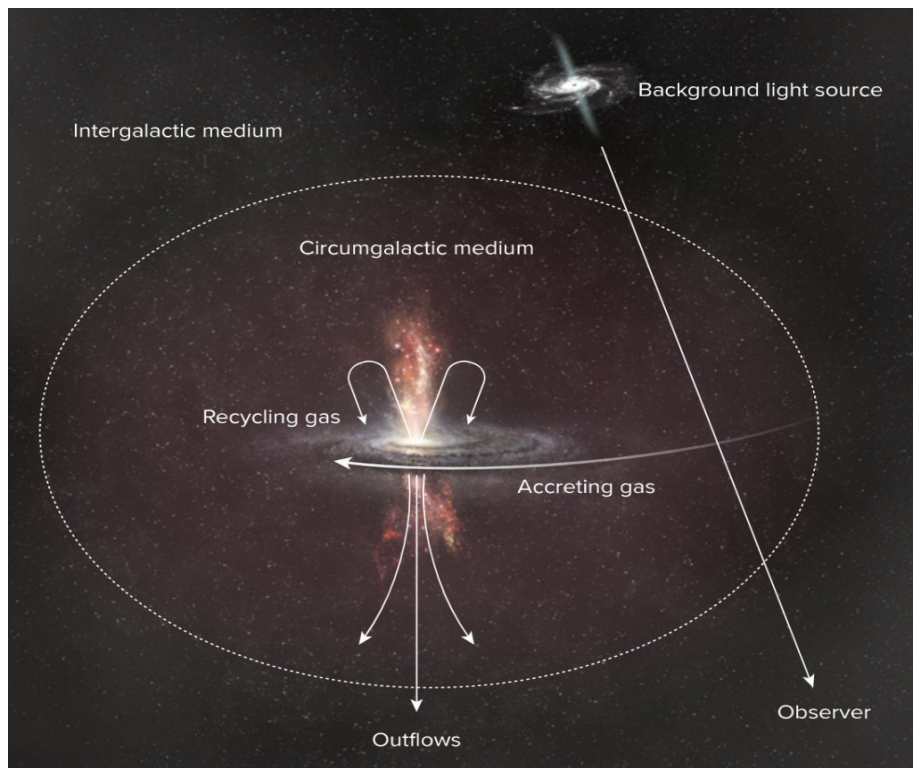
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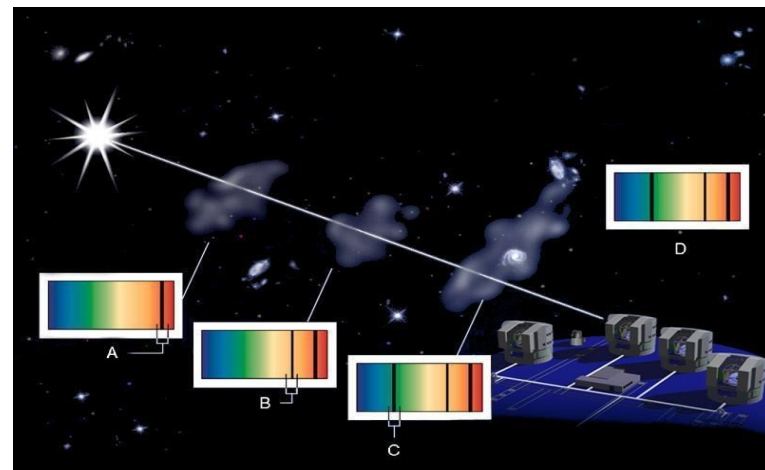
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Can be best studied with QSO abs. lines



<https://megaflow.univ-lyon1.fr/>



QSO with **Multiple (N=3,4,5) Mg+**

Data: Catalogs & Cubes

<https://amused.univ-lyon1.fr>

$$\dot{M}_{\text{out}}(b) = 0.41 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \frac{\mu}{1.5} \frac{\Omega_w}{2} \frac{N_H(b)}{10^{19} \text{ cm}^2} \frac{V_{\text{out}}}{200 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \frac{b}{25 \text{ kpc}}$$

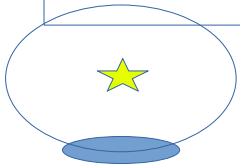
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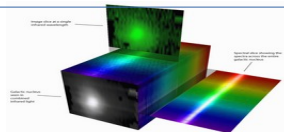
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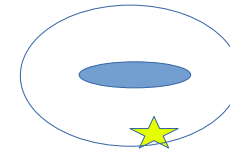
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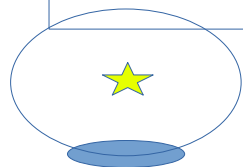
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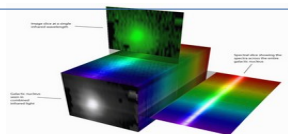
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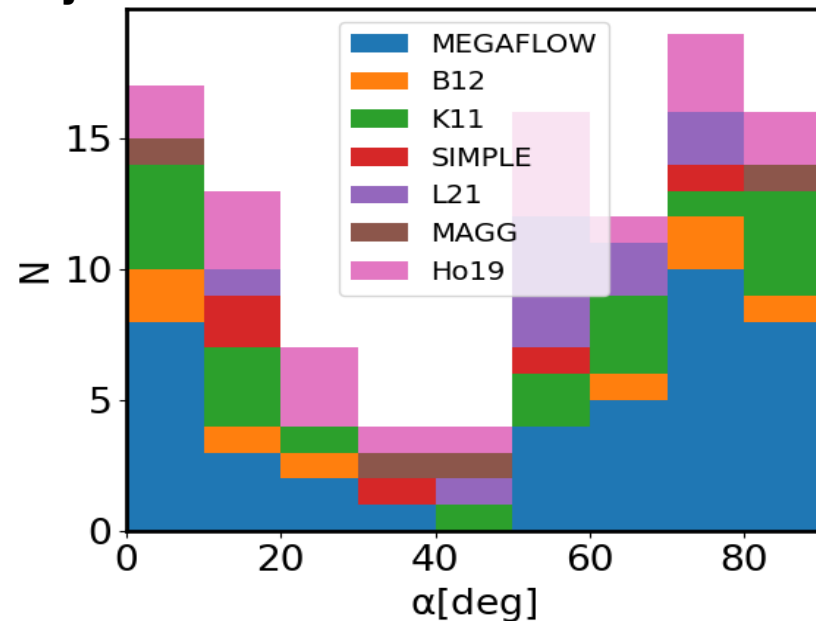


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Major-axis

Minor-axis

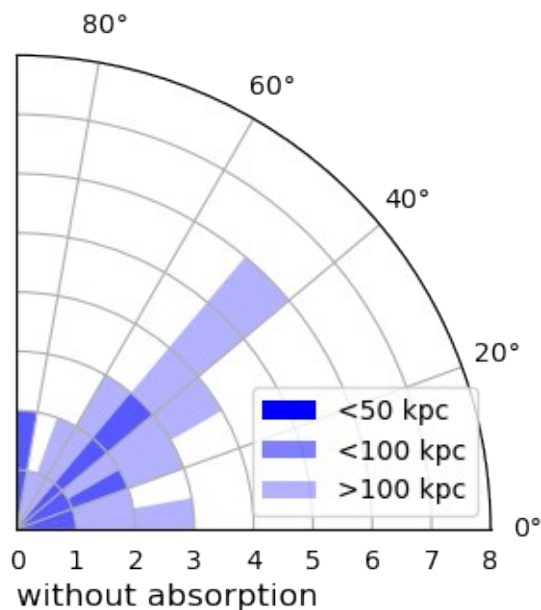


**When matching
 $REW > 0.5$; $incl > 30$; $b < 100$ kpc**

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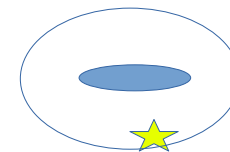


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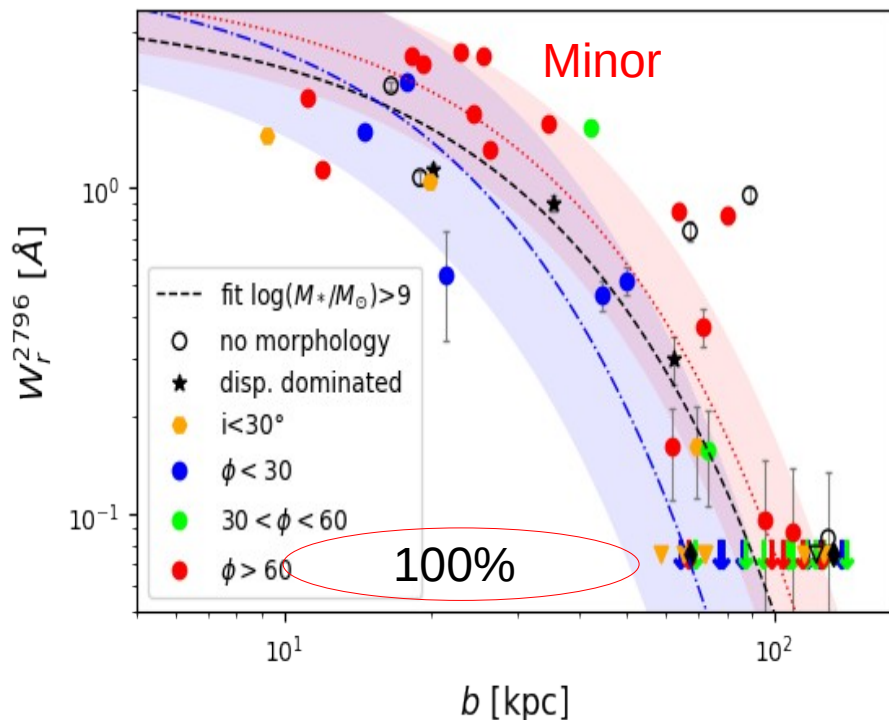
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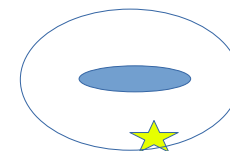
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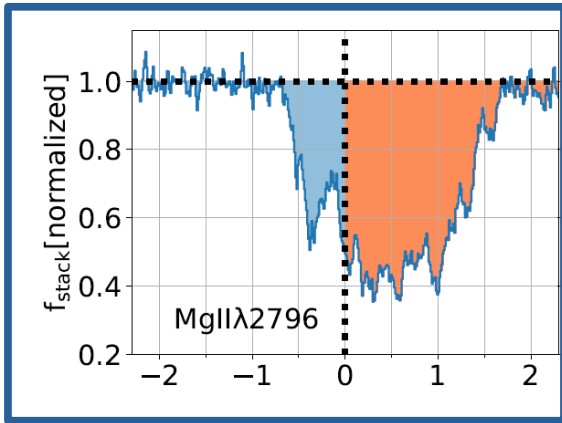


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Consequences

“disky” gaseous disks to 60 kpc



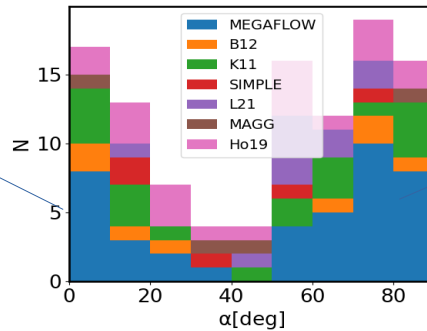
- Co rotating to 60kpc &
- $d_{\text{Min}} \sim \text{SFR}$

Zabl et al. 2019,
Also Ho et al. 2019, Martin 19, Kacprzak et al.
Rahmani+21

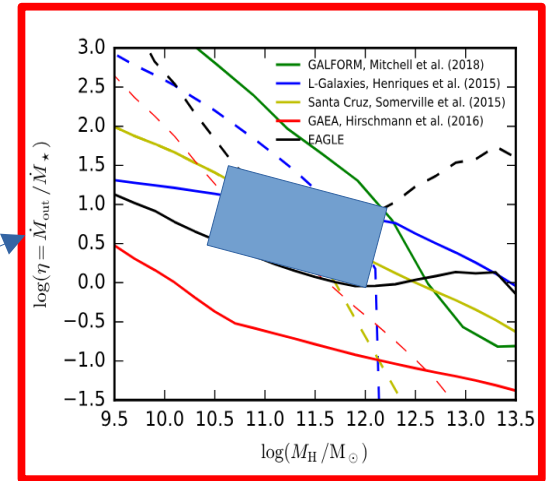
OK in simulations (DeFelippis+2021; Stewart+11,13)

Inflows

Outflows



Outflows to 100 kpc

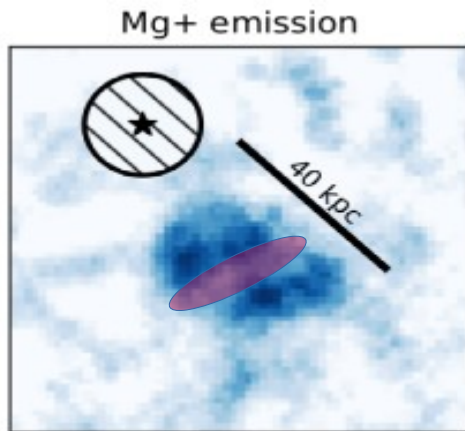


For $M > 1e9$: $V_{\text{out}} < V_{\text{esc}}$
→ gas does not escape
Loading $\sim V^{-1}$

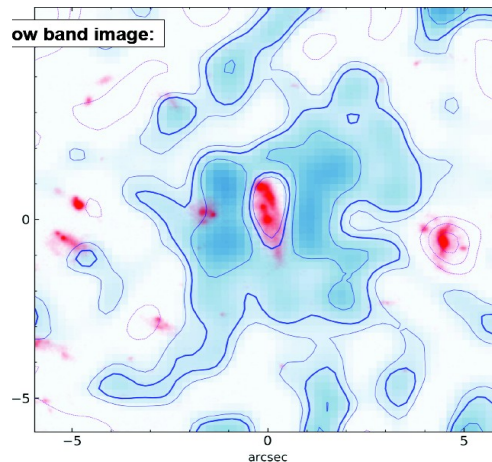
Schroetter+21, 24

Cool CGM anisotropy

Mg+ in Emission



Zabl et al. 2021
(Megaflow)



Pessa in prep.
Pessa 2024

See also [Burchett+ 2020](#) (Kcwi); [Leclercq in prep.](#)

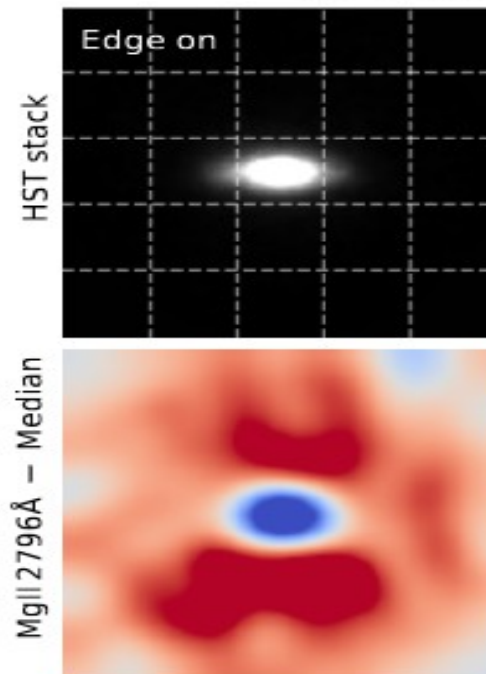
Seeing is believing



Guo et al. 2023

$M^* > 1e9$

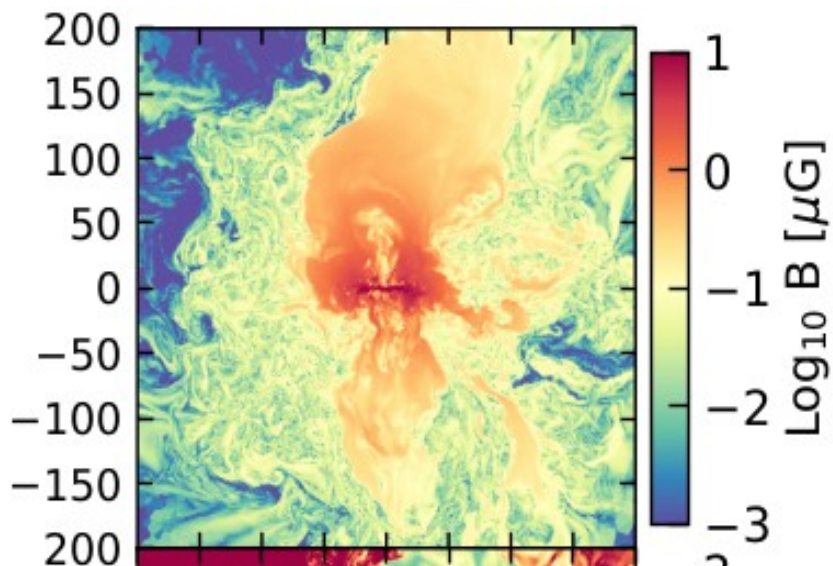
Stacking in UDF



B-field anisotropy @z=0

Simulations :

Van de Voort+20 ($B > 0$)

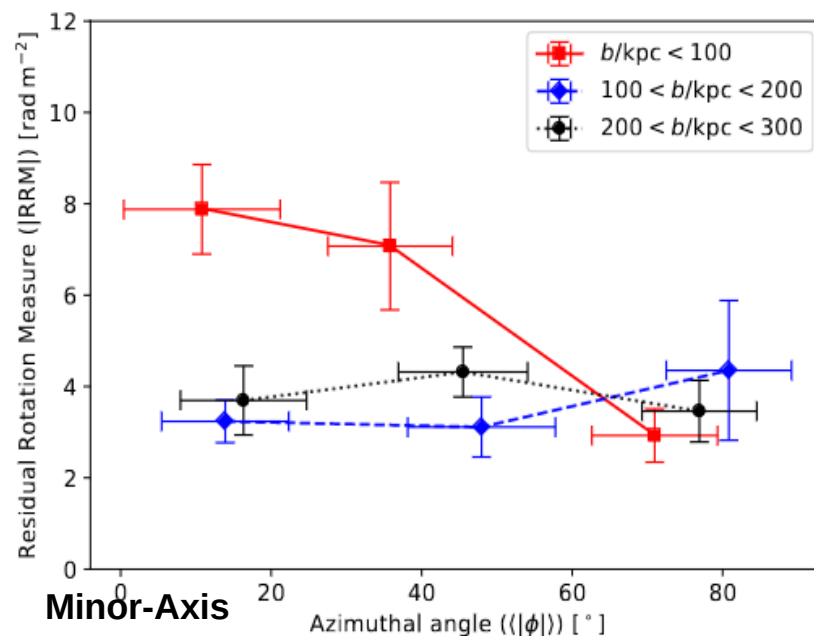


Also
Jacob, Pakmor+ 2018
Whittingman 2023

Observations:

Heesen+23 (SF, $i > 55^\circ$)

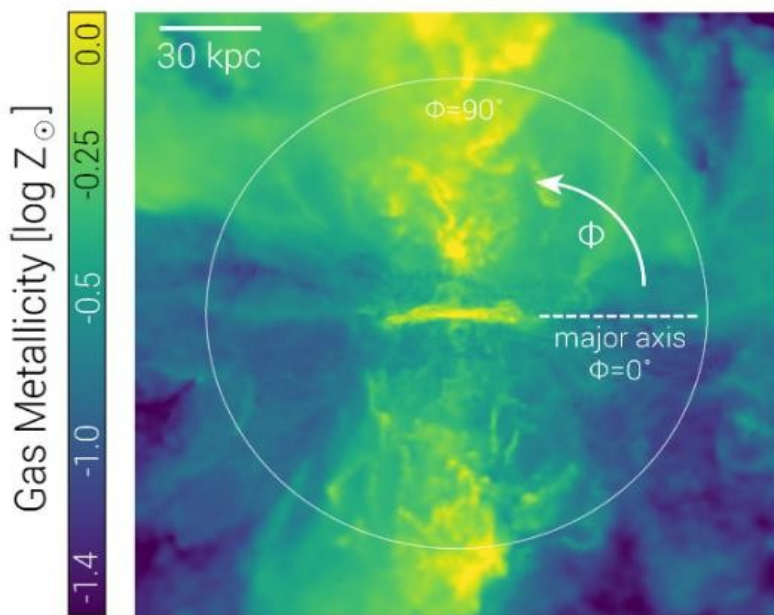
Excess Rotation Measure (LOFAR)



Also Bockmann+23

Metallicity/Dust anisotropy

Simulations :



Peroux 2021 (TNG50)
Also van de Voort+21

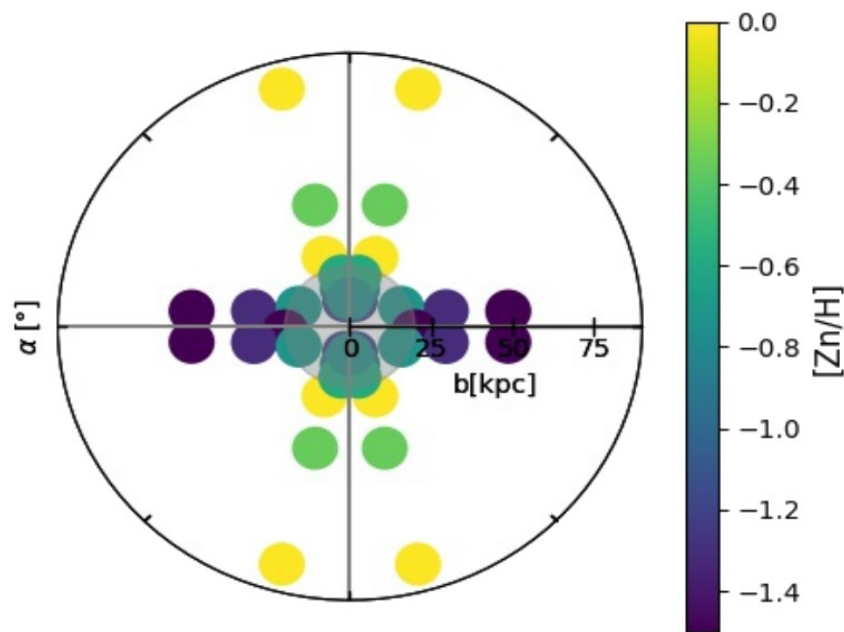
PAH M82
JWST

Bolatto+



Observations:

Wendt, NB 2021 (Megaflow)



Using depletion pattern over multiple elements
(Zn, Mn, Fe, Ti,...)

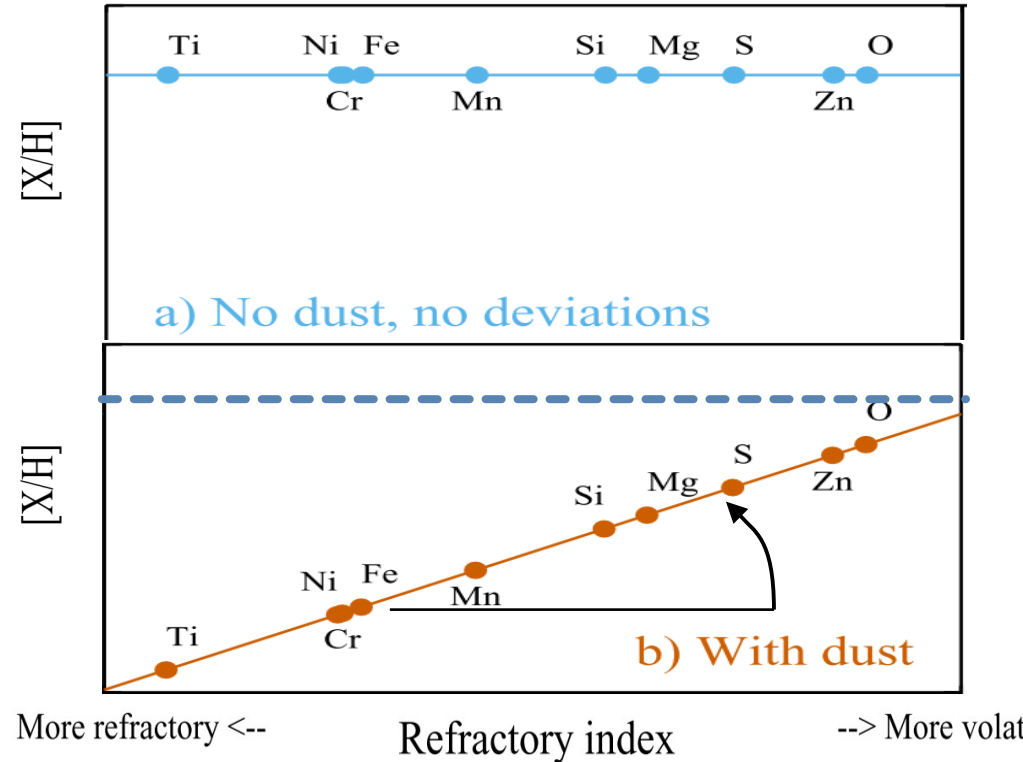
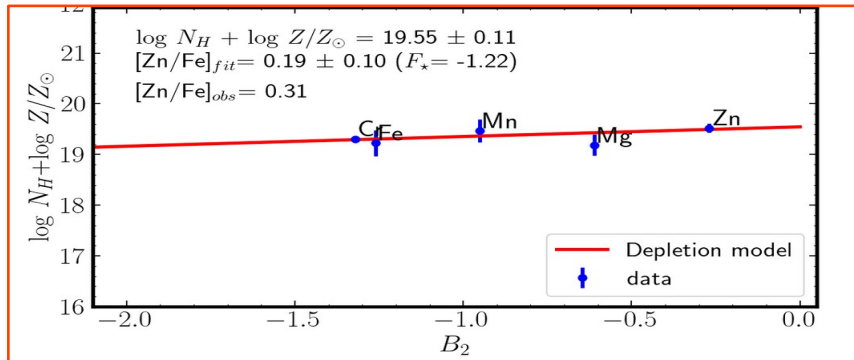
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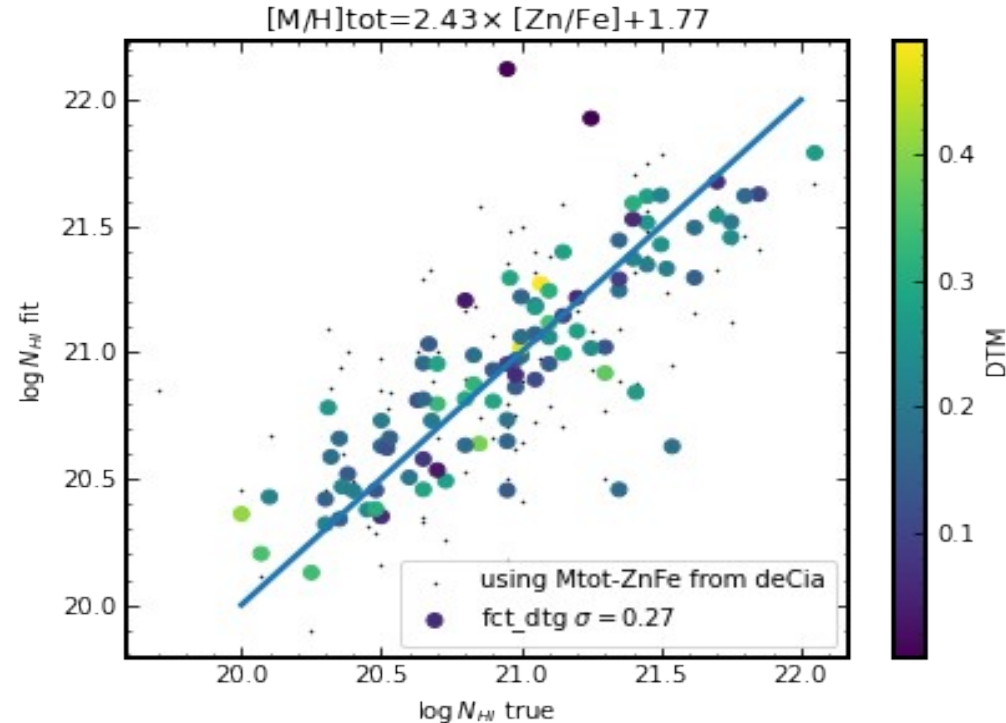
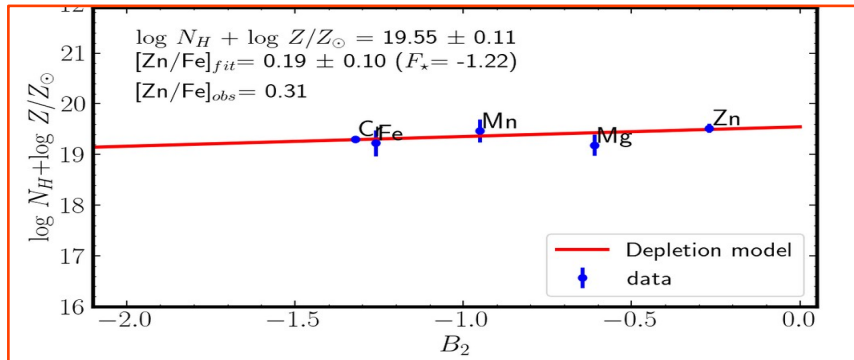
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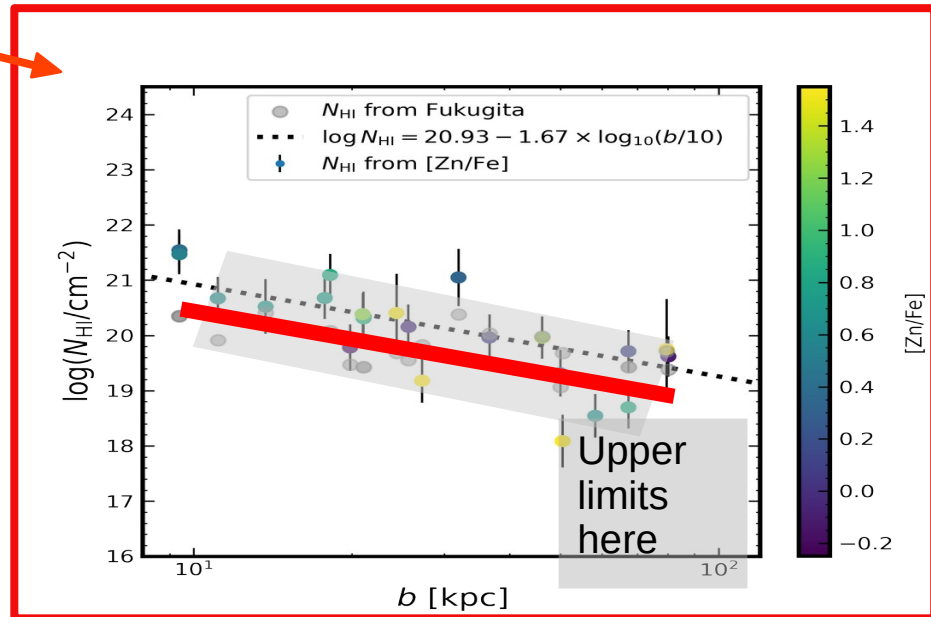
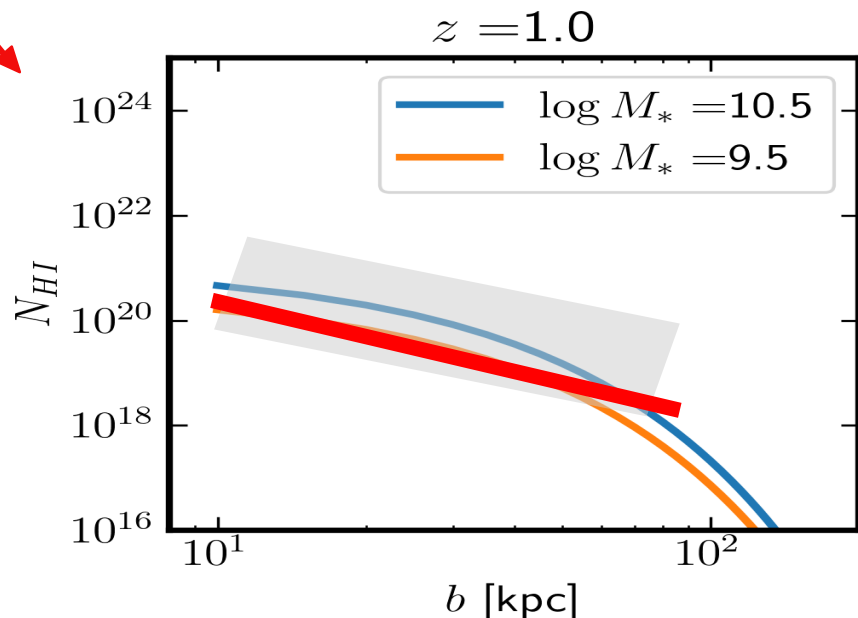
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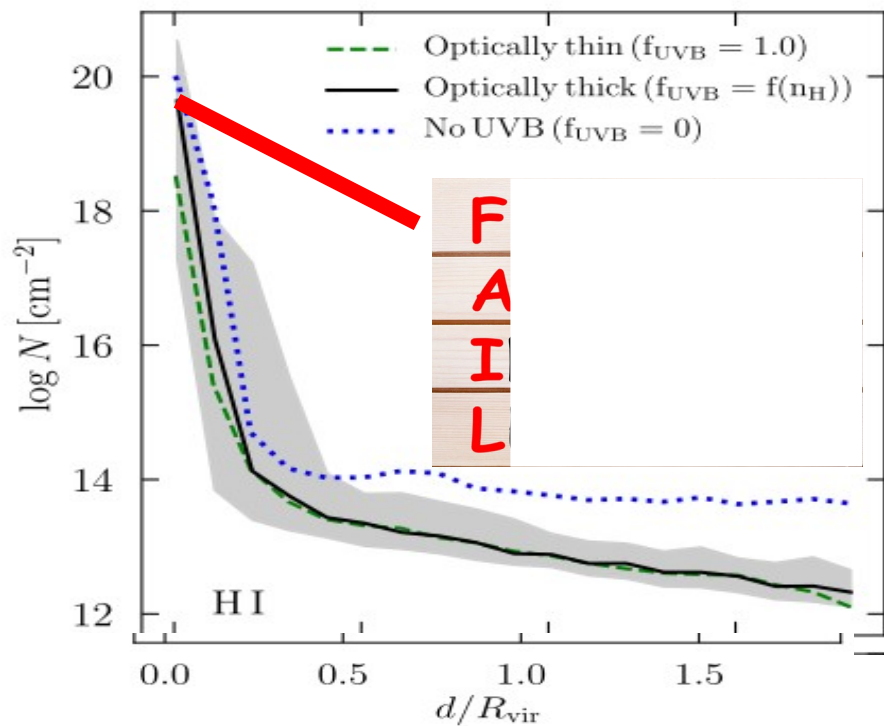
Converting MgII to HI

- 1) Use REW(MgII)--HI relation [Lan, Fukugita 17](#)
- 2) Use N_{MgII} and fixed metallicity [Moretti+25](#)
- 3) Use depletion pattern [Jenkins 2009 / De Cia 2016](#)

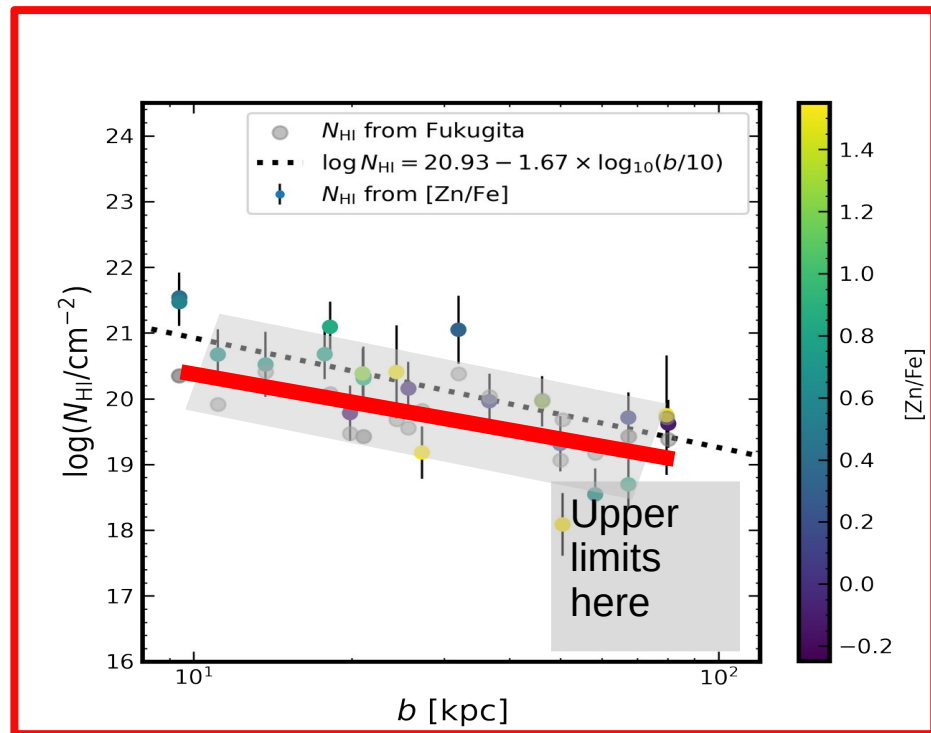


Neutral Gas density profile

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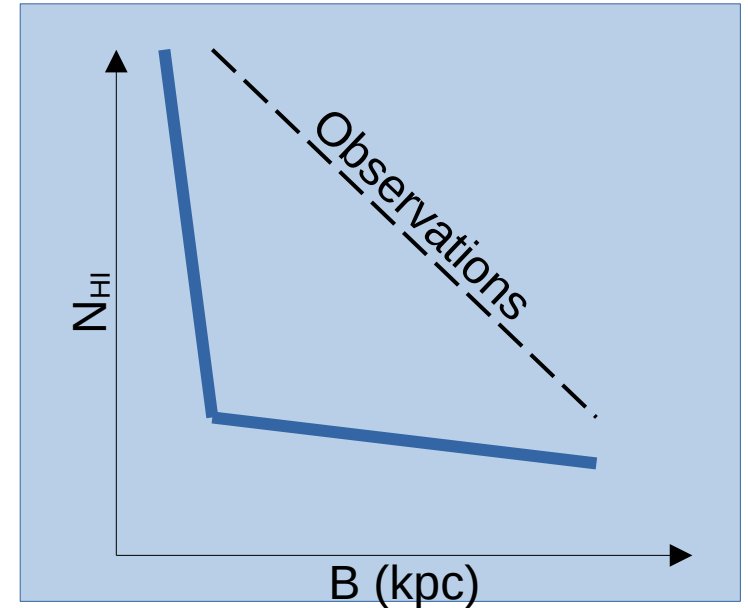
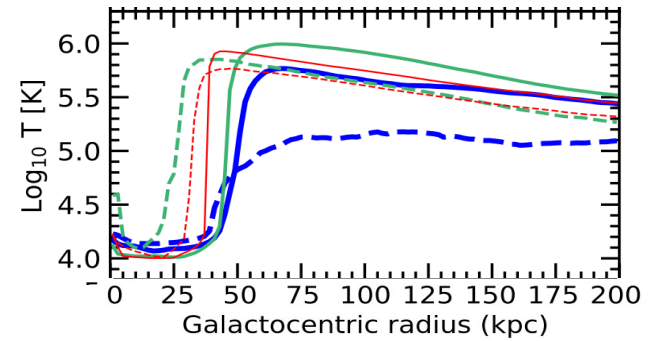


A generic problem!

Hummels, Bryan 2013;
Liang, Kratsov+ 2016;
VandeVoort2024 (AURIGA)
Cook 24 (AURIGA)
DeFelippis21,24 (TNG50);
Oren 24 (EAGLE),
Jin 20 (FIRE2)
Lu, Keres 25 (FIRES2 & CR)
Rey+25 (Architect)

Promising simulations?

Cadiou, Katz H. (MEGATRON) - tbd
Huang, Katz N. +22 (PhEW) - tbd
Smith, Fielding+24 (Arkenstone) -tbd



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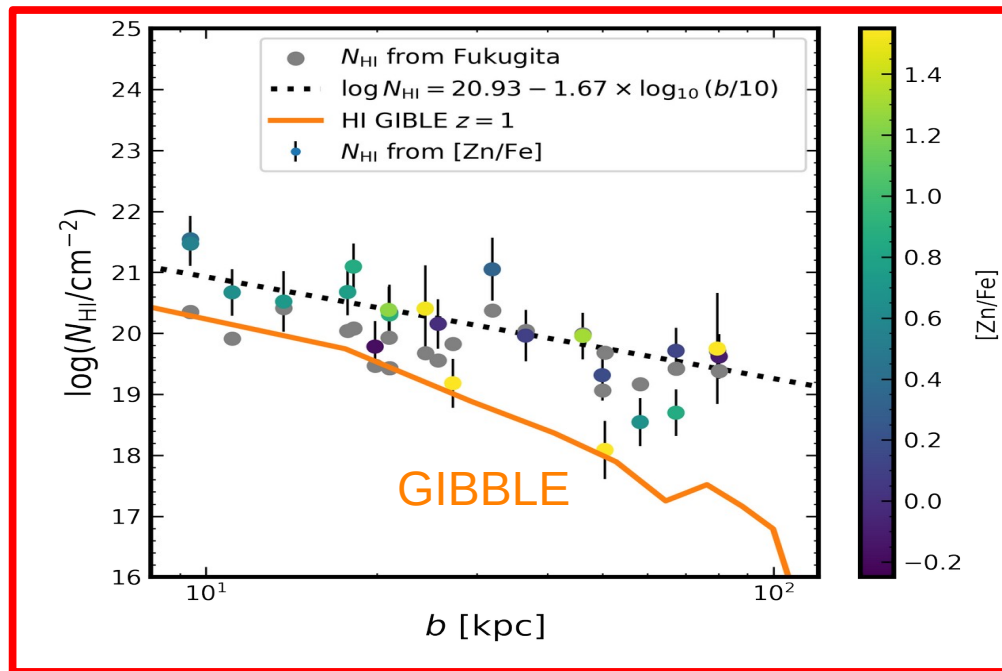
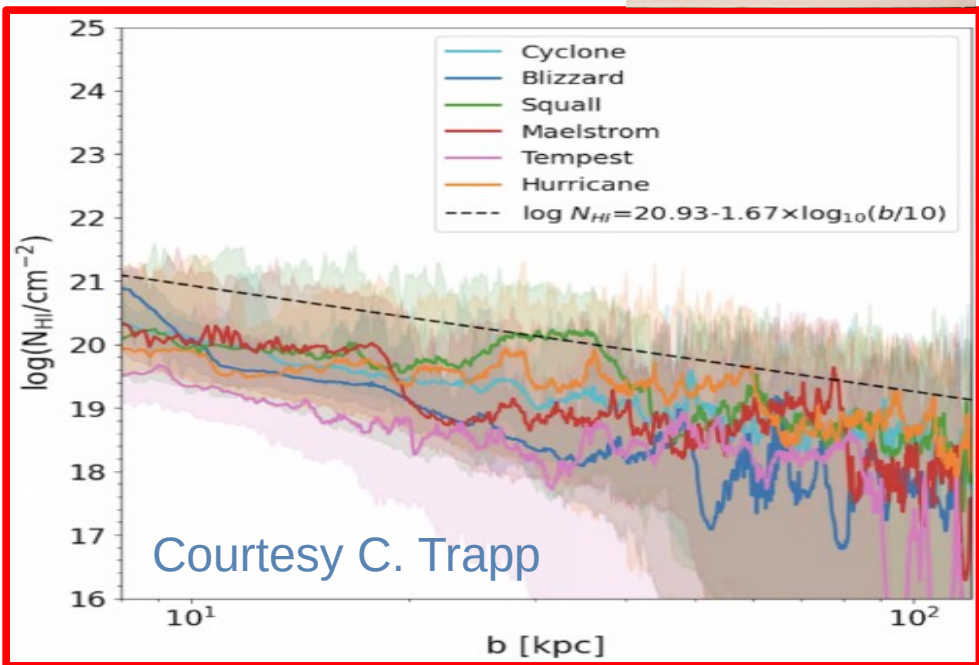
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- FOGGIE ok

FIRST
ATTEMPT
IN
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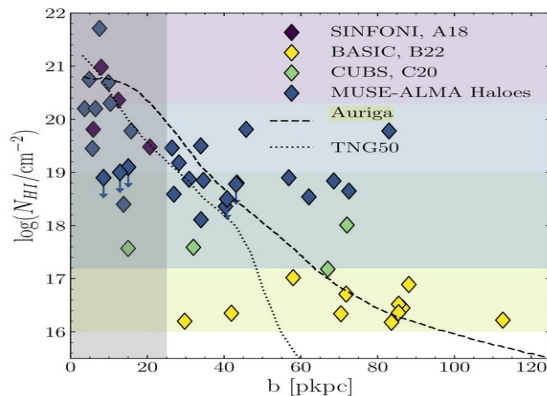
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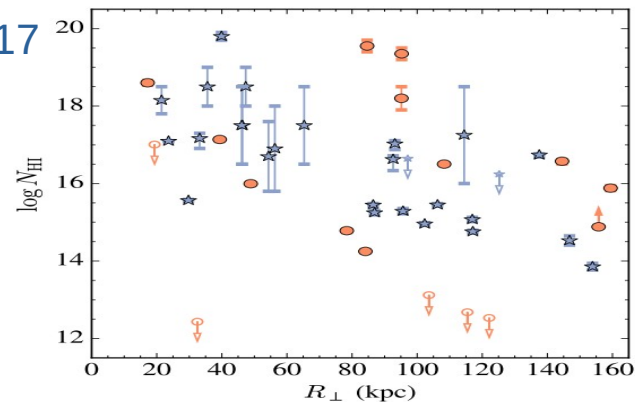


But: Not all surveys agree

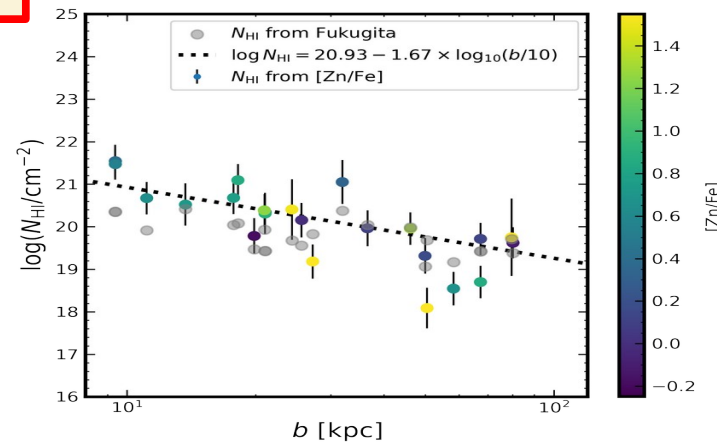
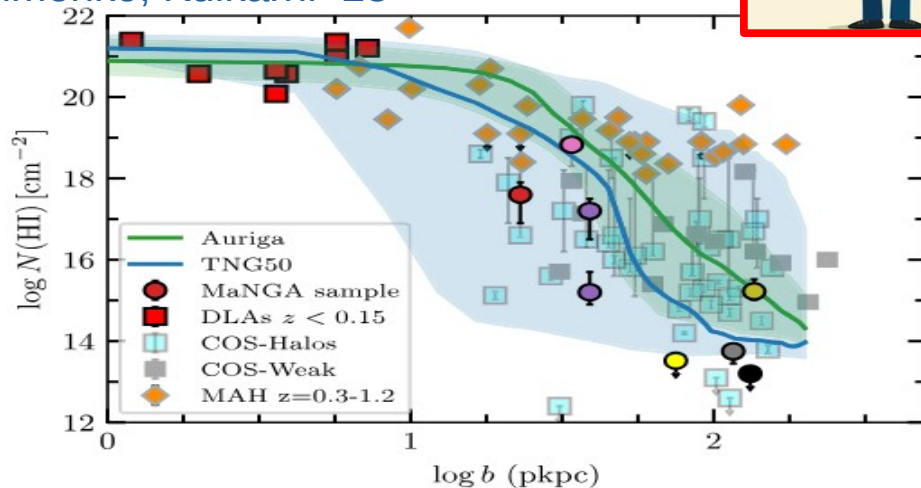
Weng+23



Prochaska+17

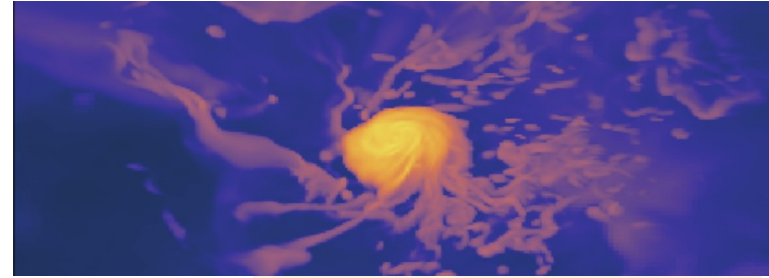


Klimenko, Kulkarni+23



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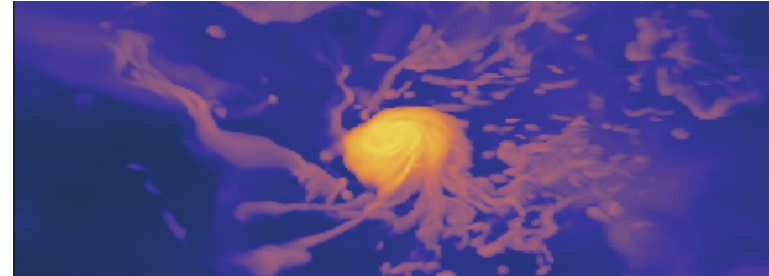
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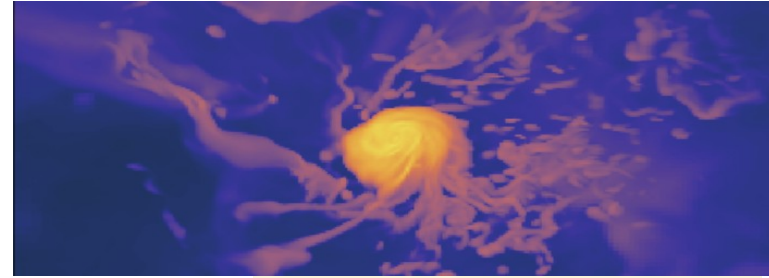
WARNING: Having MUSE data is not sufficient

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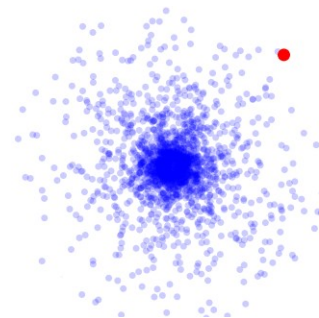
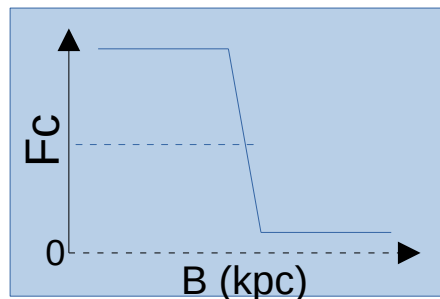
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Cherrey, NB 2024 Groups
Cherrey, NB 2025 Isolated

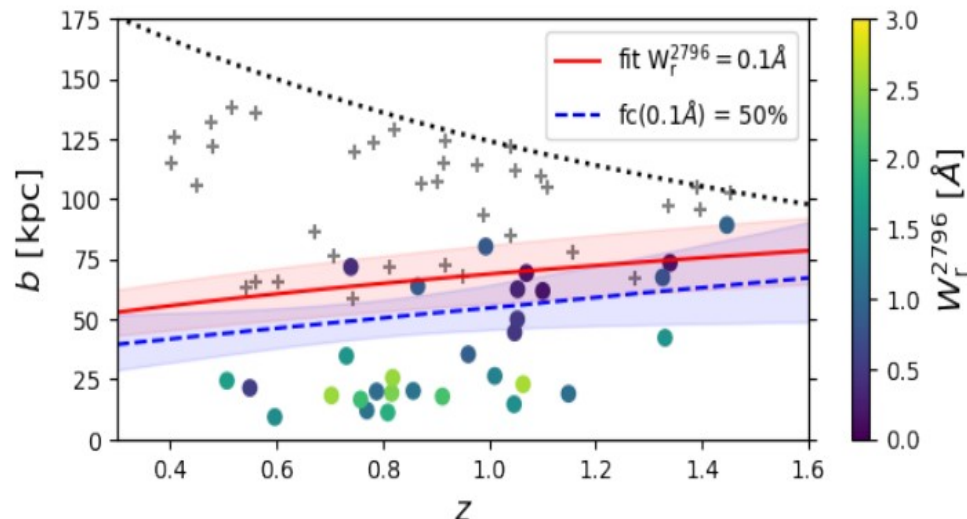


The CGM size scales

as $(1+z)^{1-2}$ [9-10.5]



Radius at $fc=50\%$



Cherrey, NB 2025 ($M > 1e9$) [70]
Schroetter, NB+ 2021

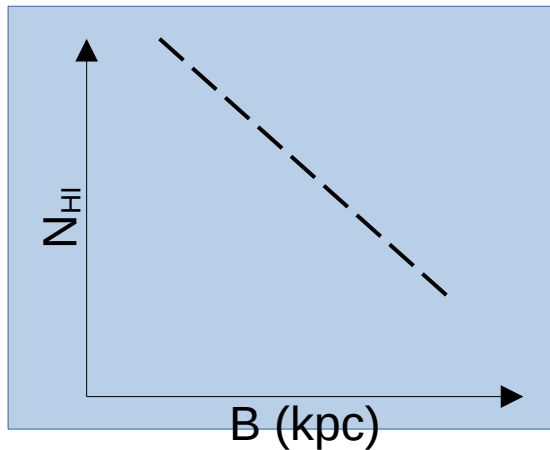
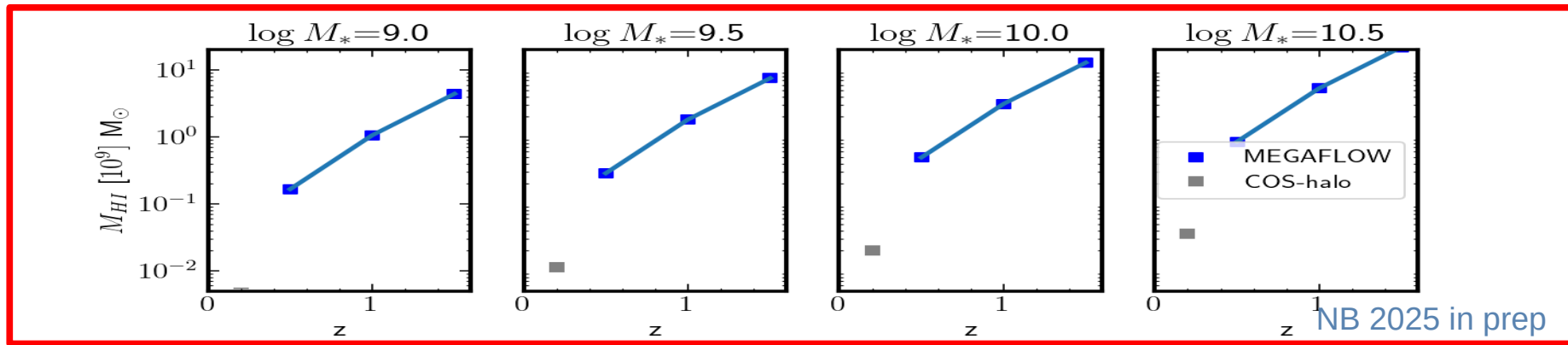
→ CGM shrinks as halos grow !

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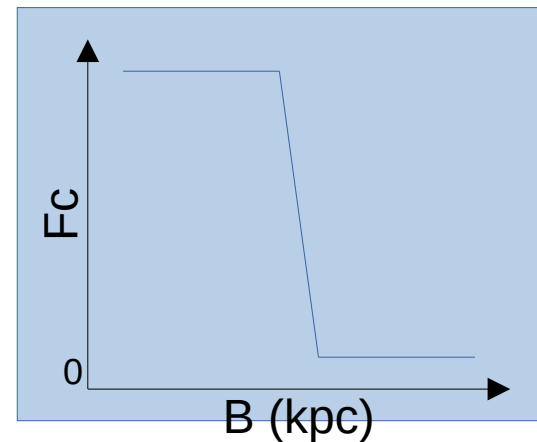
Stern, Sternberg+2021

Also,
Huang+21; Dutta+20
Lan+ 2020 (SDSS eBOSS 15,000)

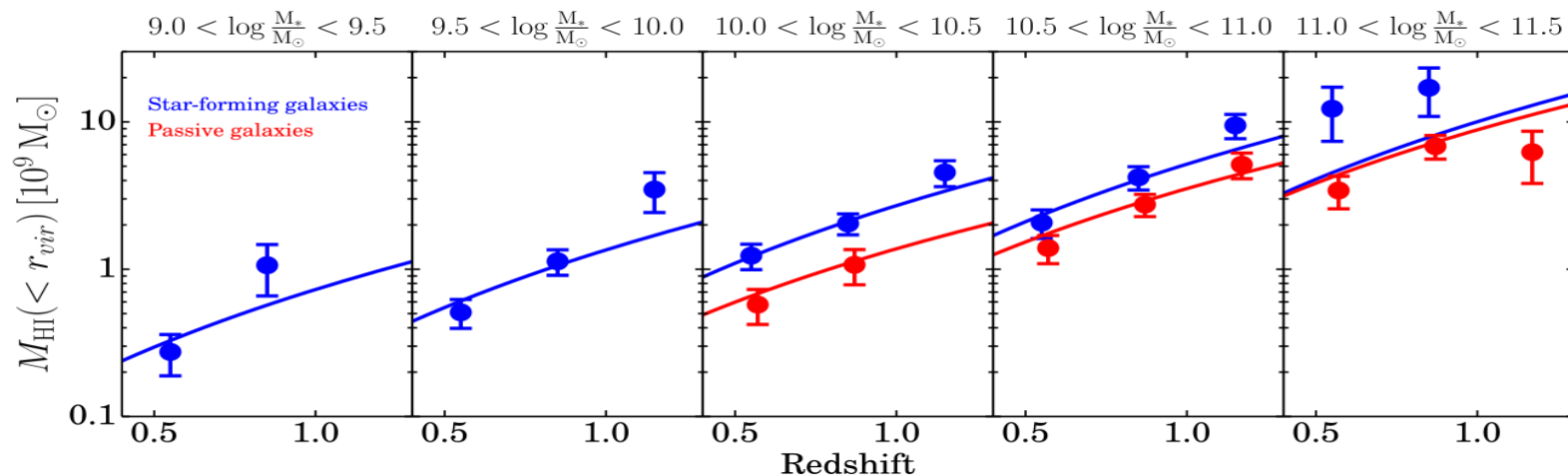
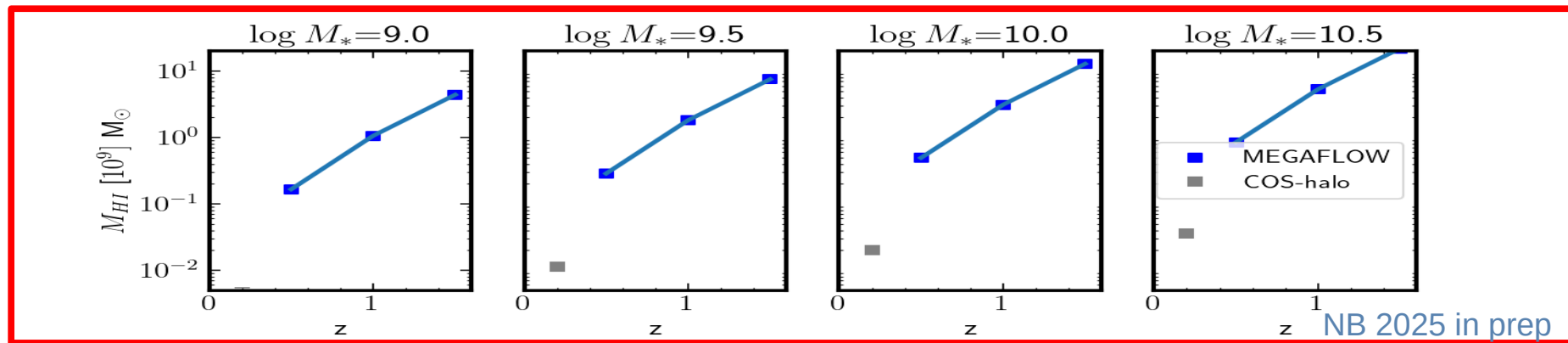
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$$M_{\text{HI}}(r_p < r_{p,\text{max}}) \sim 2\pi m_{\text{H}} \int_{20 \text{ kpc}}^{r_{p,\text{max}}} \hat{N}_{\text{HI}} f_c(r_p) r_p dr_p,$$



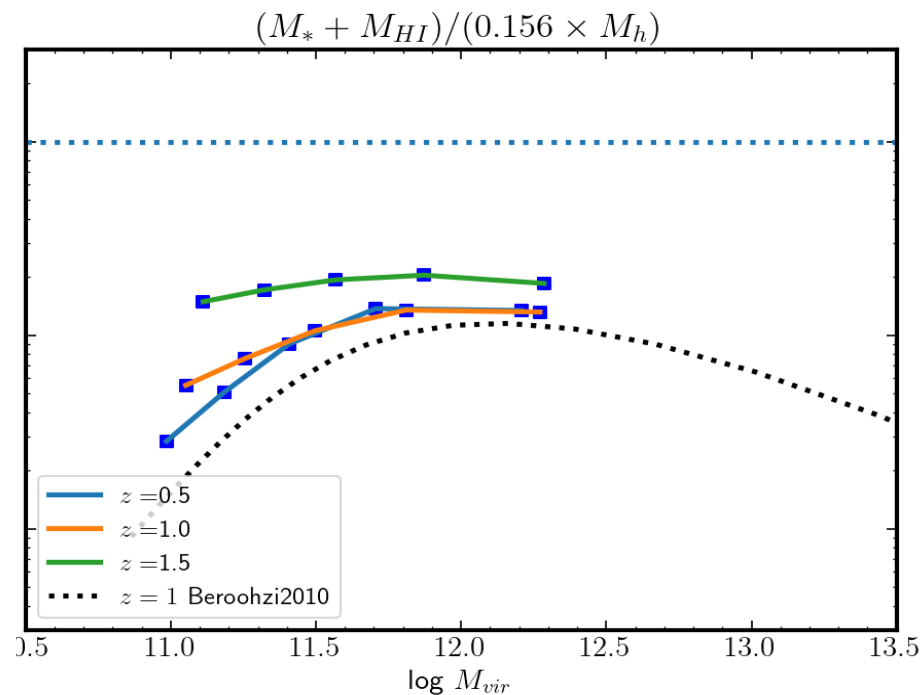
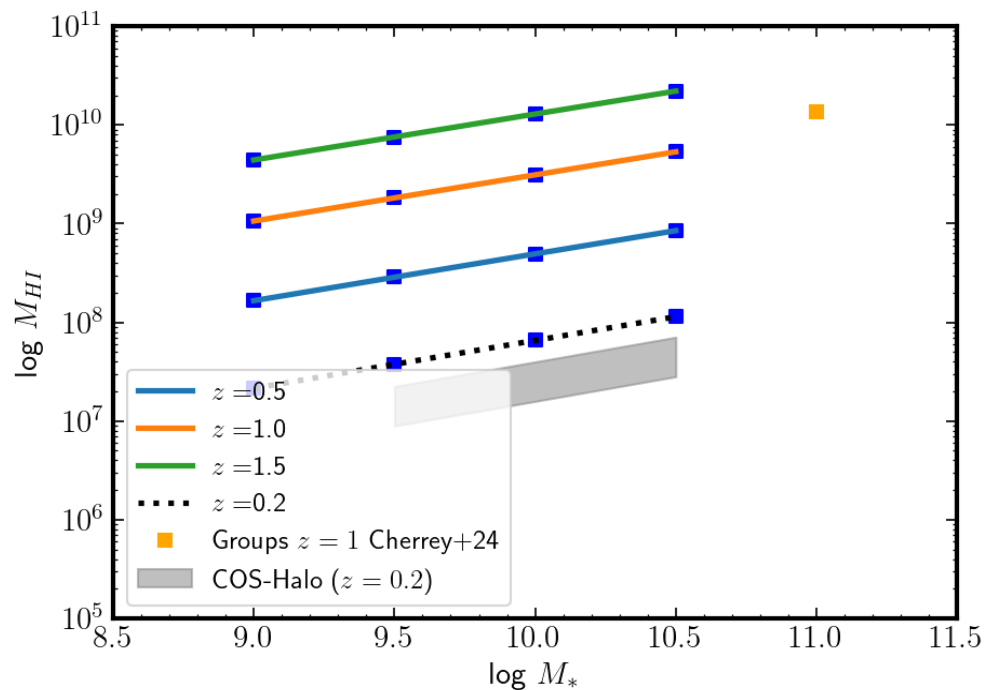
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Lan 2020

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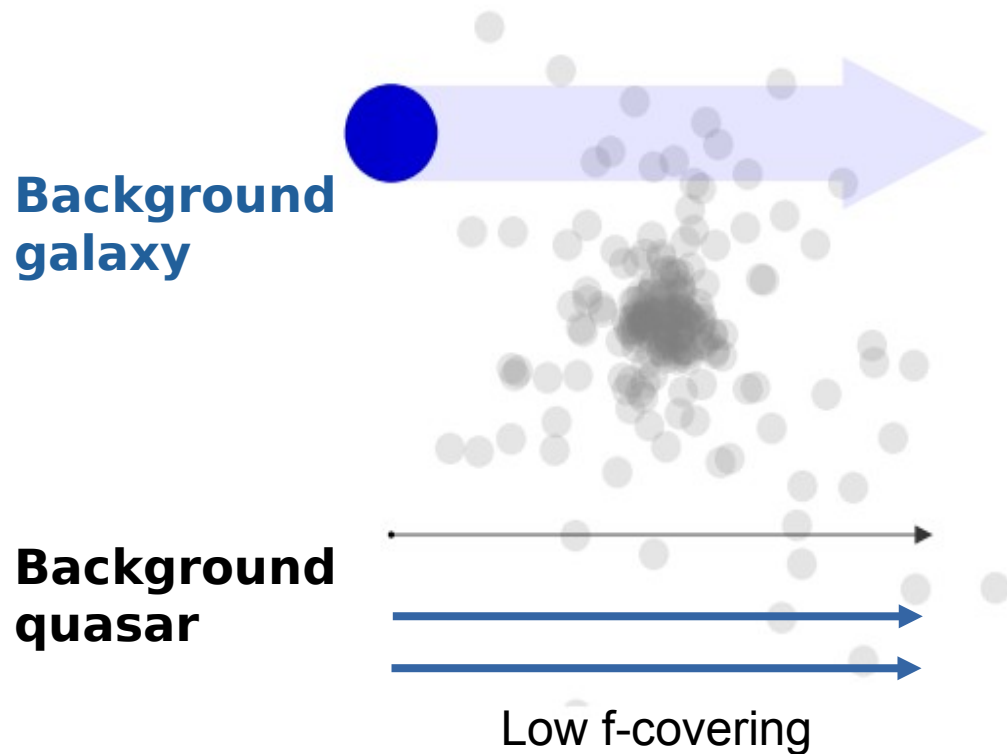


What's next: Size of CGM Clouds

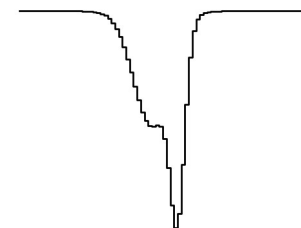


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- With stacking spectra



Mean ~ Median



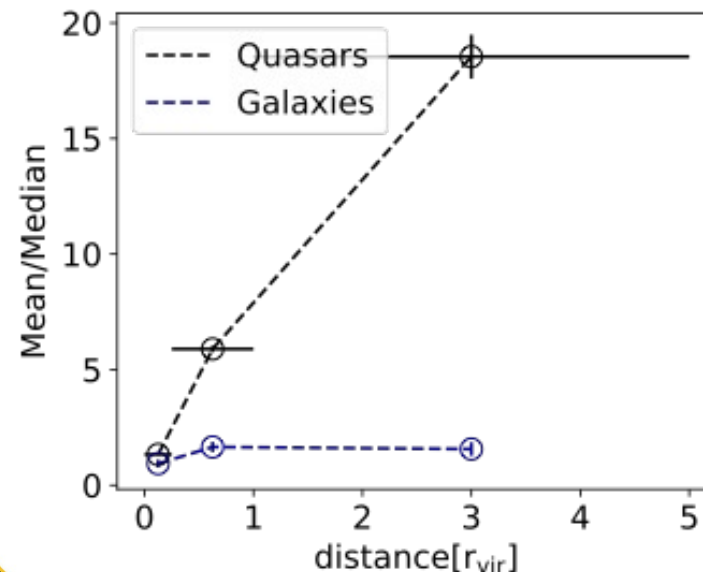
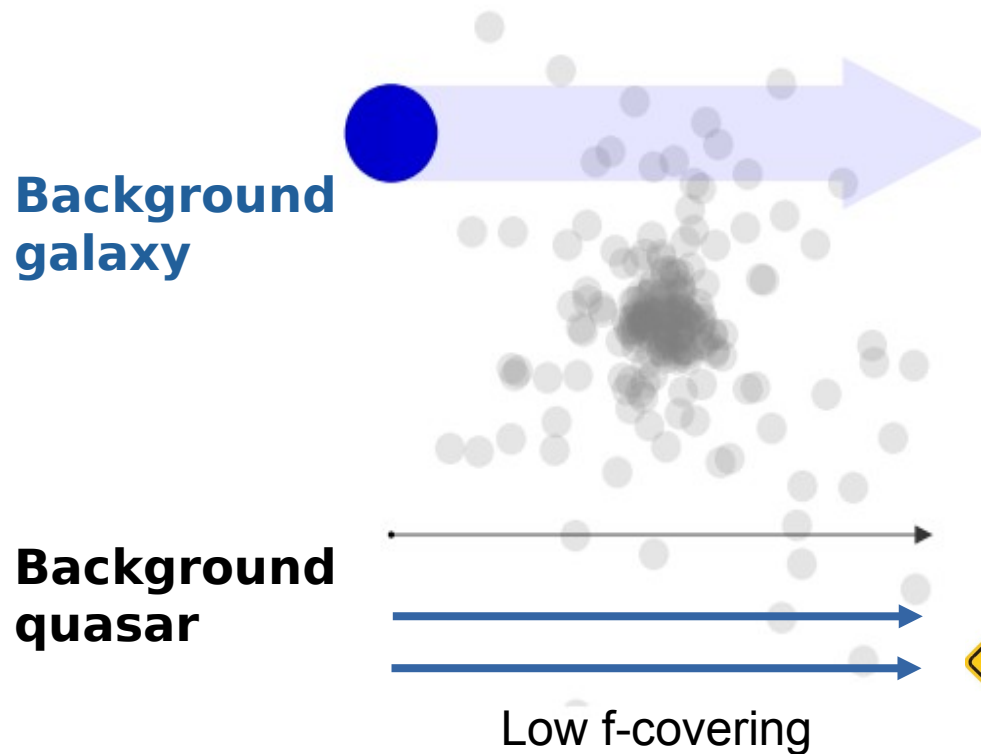
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What's next: Size of CGM Clouds



Guo, Wendt in prep.

- With stacking spectra



Conclusions

- For SFGs $1e9 < M^* < 3e10$
 - Cool CGM is anisotropic (Metals, dust, B-field)
 - CGM uniform ($\sim 100\%$ f-c) within 60 kpc
- Neutral CGM
 - $M(\text{HI}) \sim 1e9$ **f(z,M)**: $\sim (1+z)^{1-2}$ (strong) $\sim M^{0.5}$ (weak)
 - N(HI) and f-covering: challenge for simulations
- Next:
 - Size of clouds with bckg galaxies
 - Link between DM, SFH and CGM profiles ?

