



BOSS & eBOSS

(on behalf of many SDSS colleagues)



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Building on the legacy of SDSS

Still a highly competitive wide-field spectroscopic capability

SDSS-III

- ▶ BOSS
- ▶ SEGUE-II
- ▶ APOGEE
- ▶ MARVELS

Funded for operation from 2008 to 2014



BOSS in a nutshell

8,000 deg² footprint in Spring
3,000 deg² footprint in Fall

(Eisenstein et al. 2011)

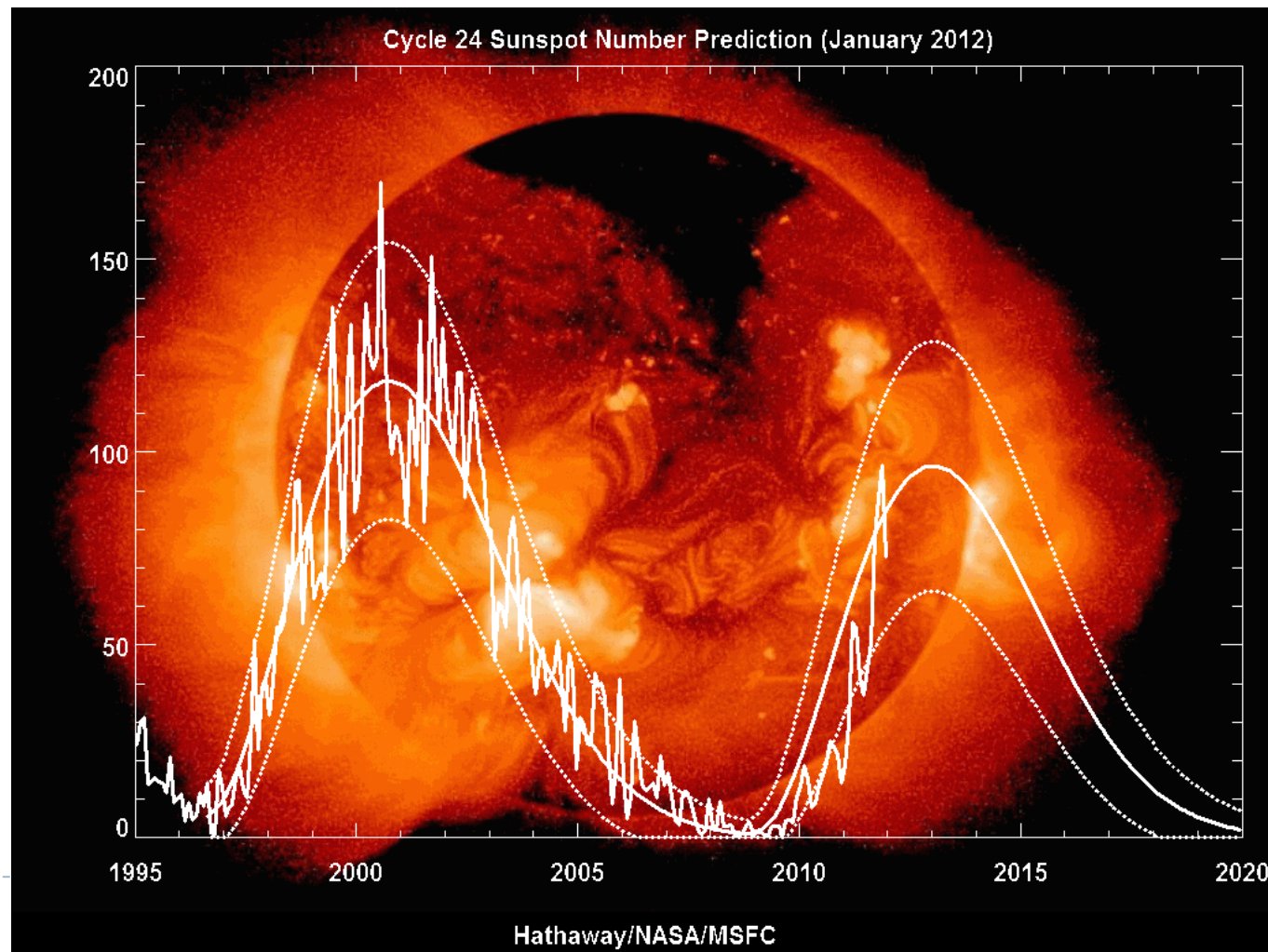
- Upgraded spectrographs (with better throughput)
 - 1000x 2-arcsec fibers in cartridges
 - Increase wavelength range to 3600-10,000Å (R=1500-2600)
- Finished ~3,000 deg² southern imaging in Fall 2008.
 - Released as part of DR8, published in ApJS (2011).
- Currently doing only spectroscopy
 - 1.5 million galaxies, $i < 19.9$, $z < 0.8$, over 10,000 deg²
 - 150,000 QSOs, $g < 22$, $2.3 < z < 3$, over 8,000 deg²

BOSS is over half done!

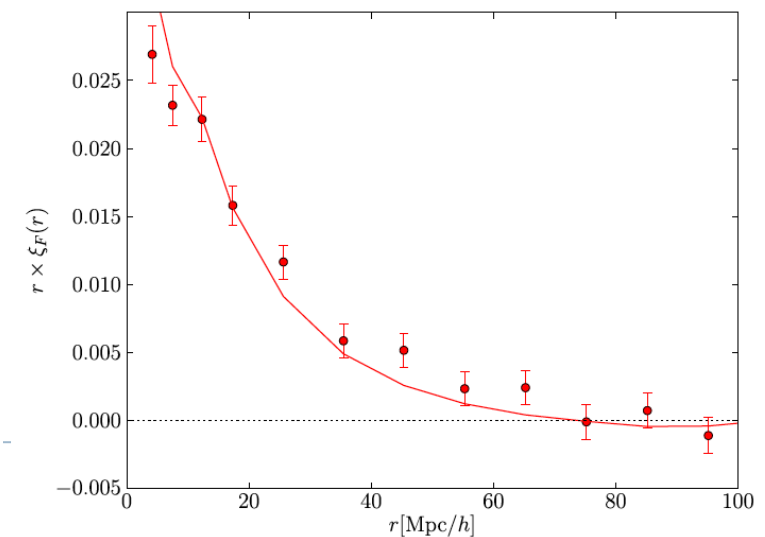
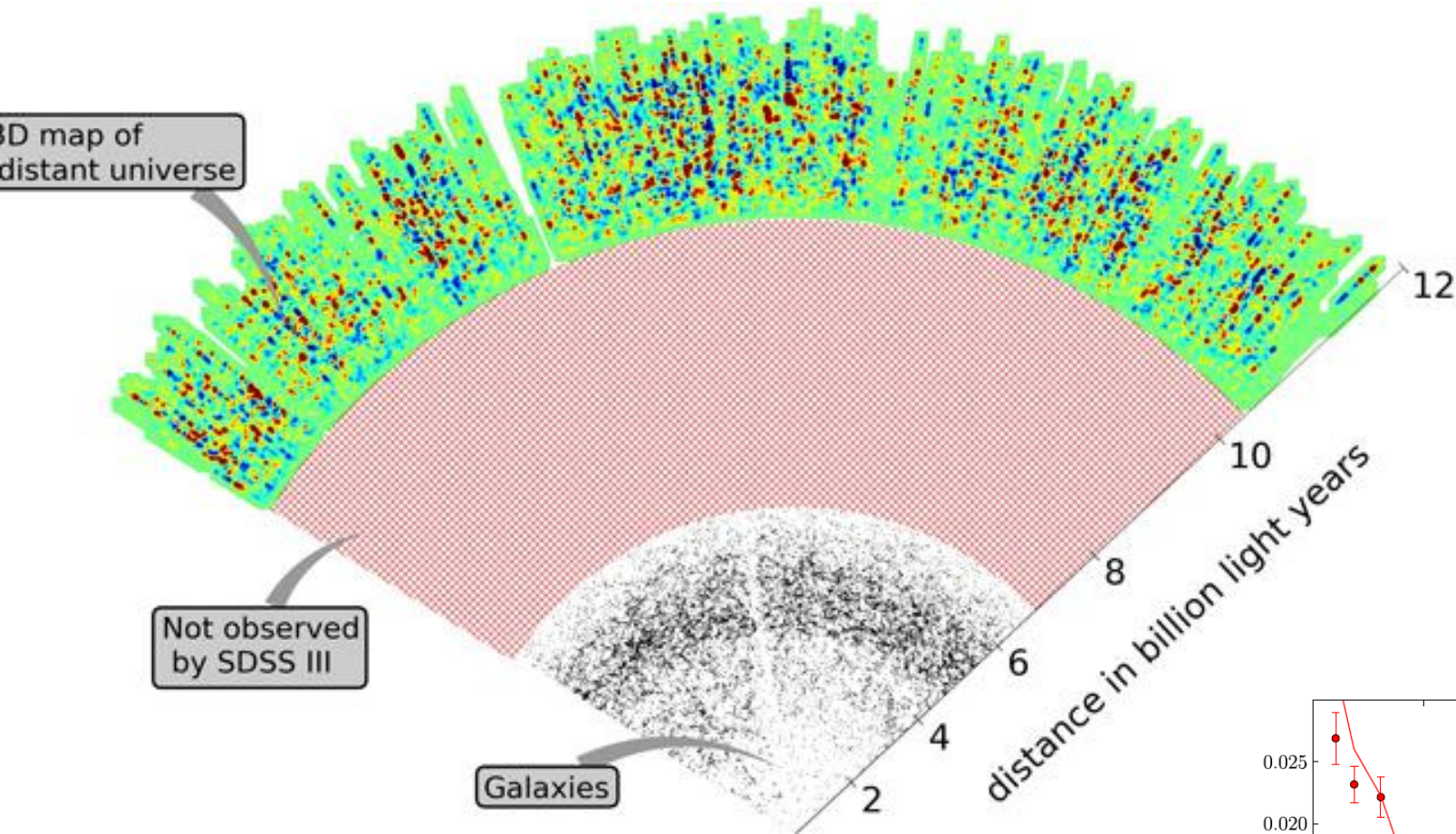
Over 1000 plates done, each with 1000 targets – million spectra!

Only 27% of time lost to weather and problems

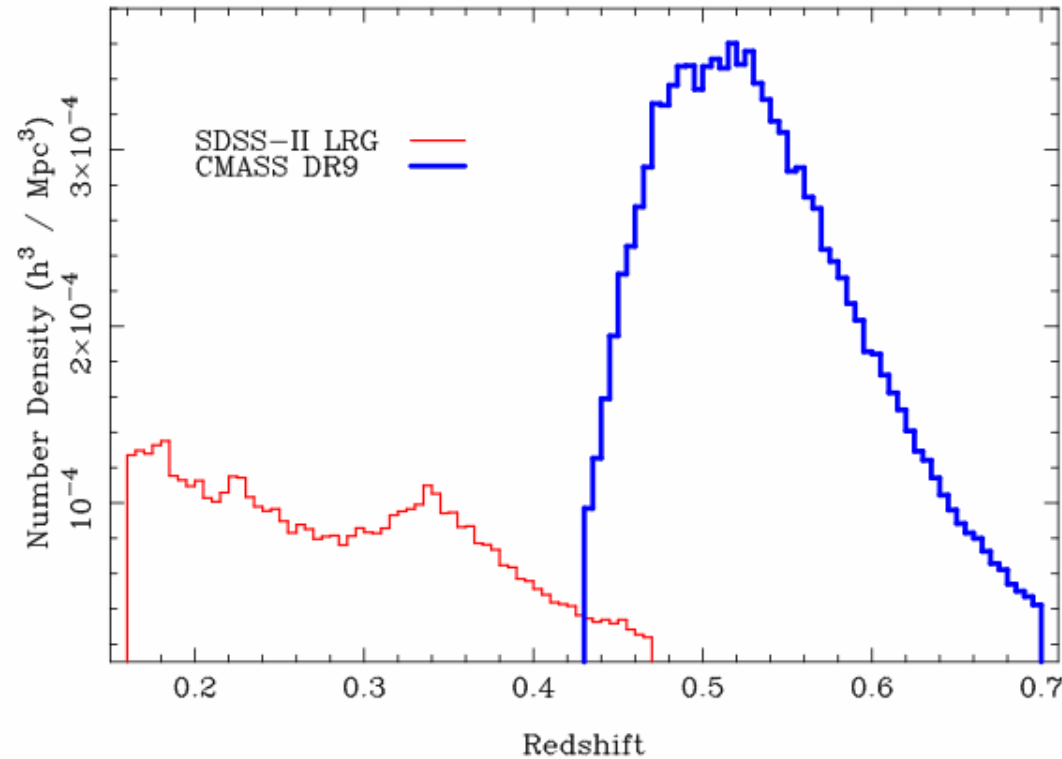
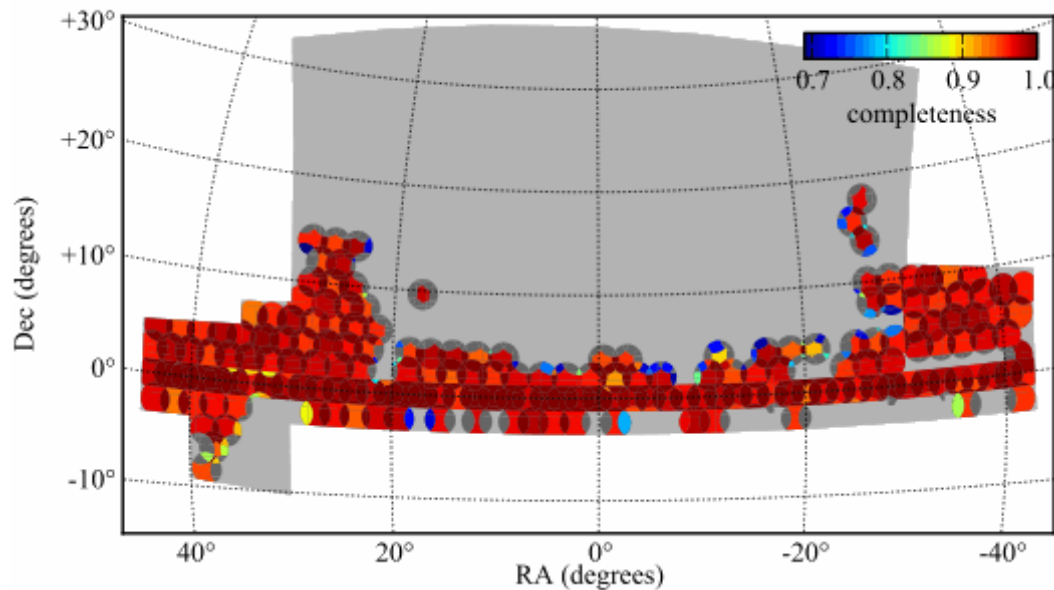
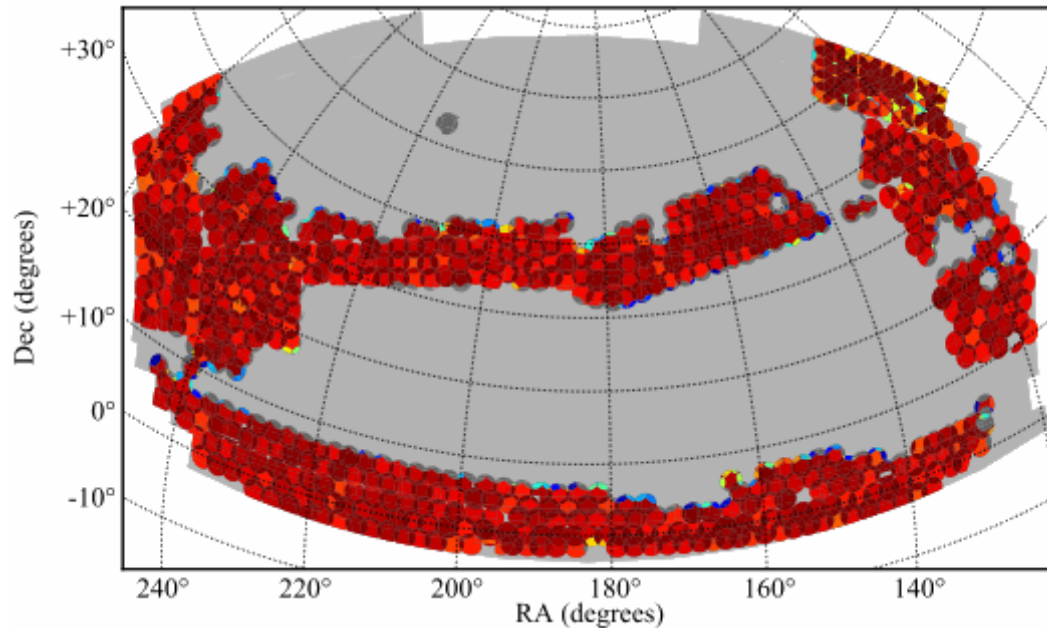
Lower sky brightness



LSS at high z (Slozar et al. 2011)

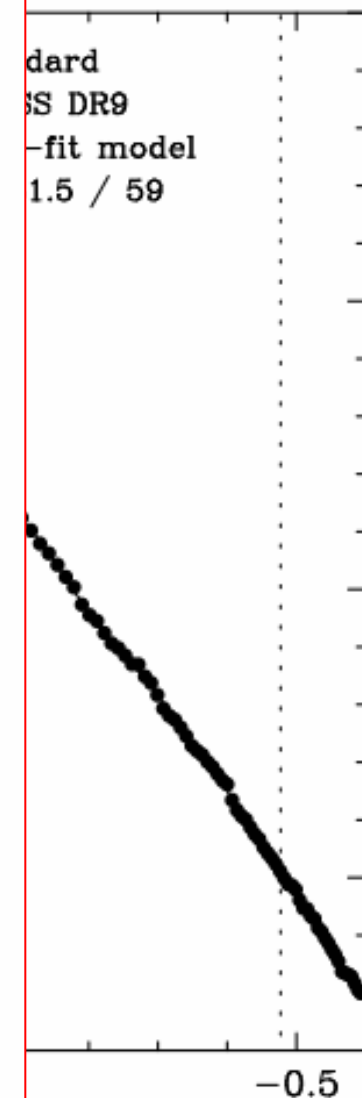
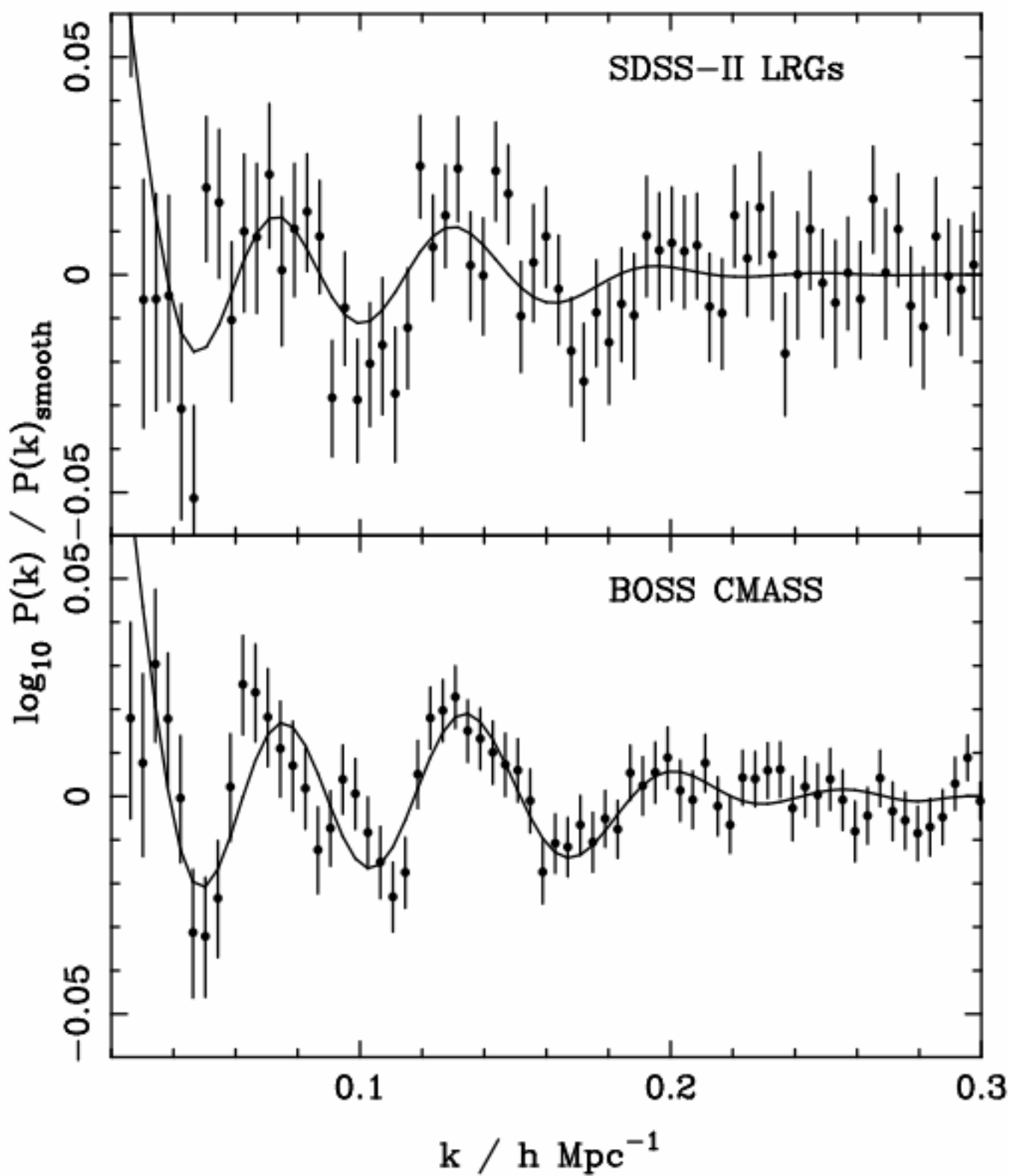
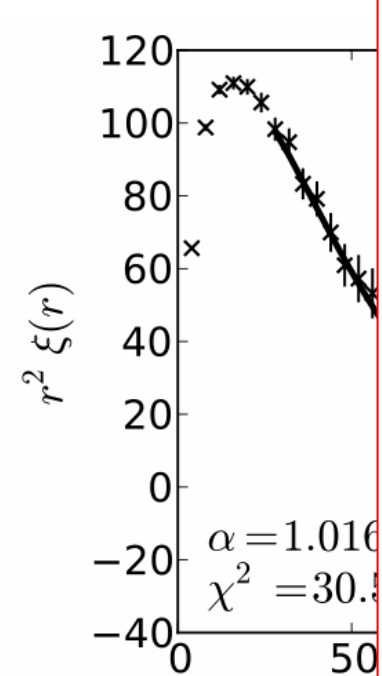


BOSS 2012 (Anderson et al. 2012)

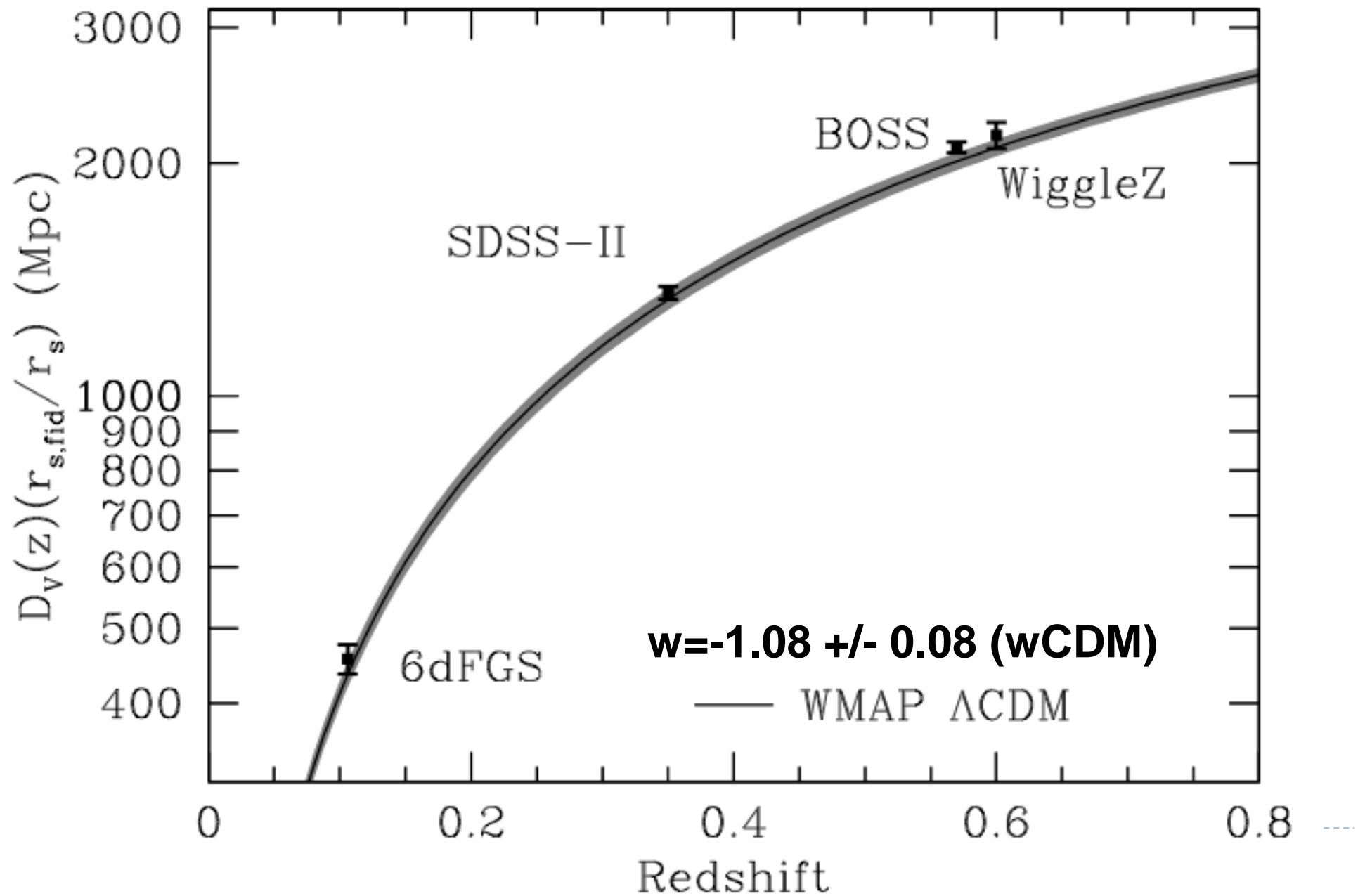


3275 deg²
264k redshifts
2.2Gpc³

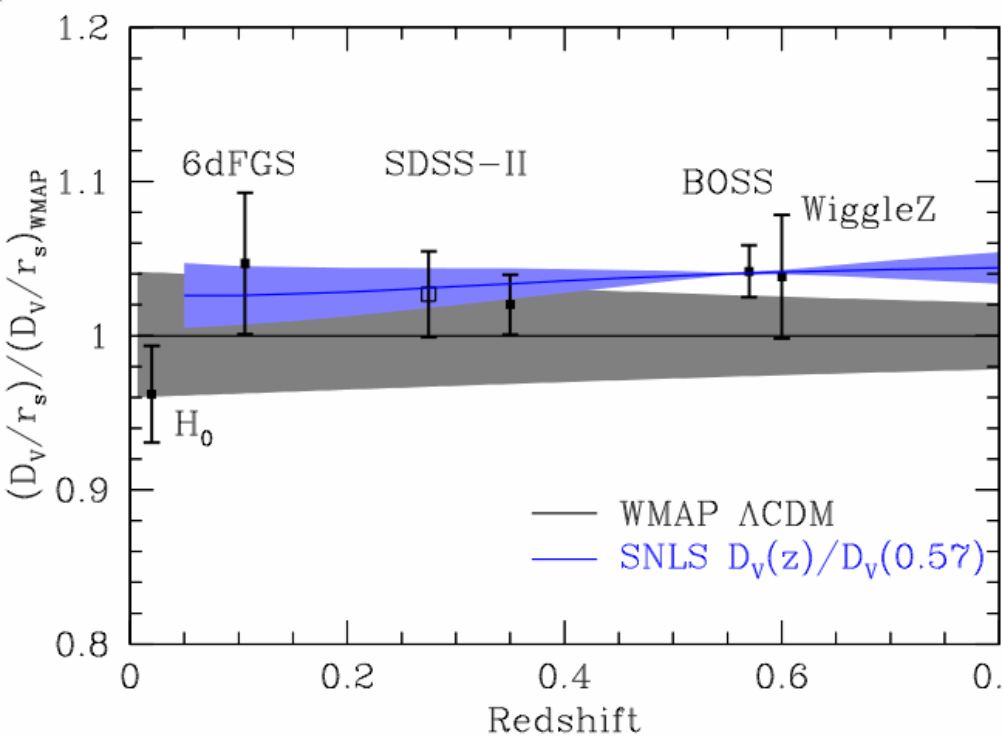
6.7σ



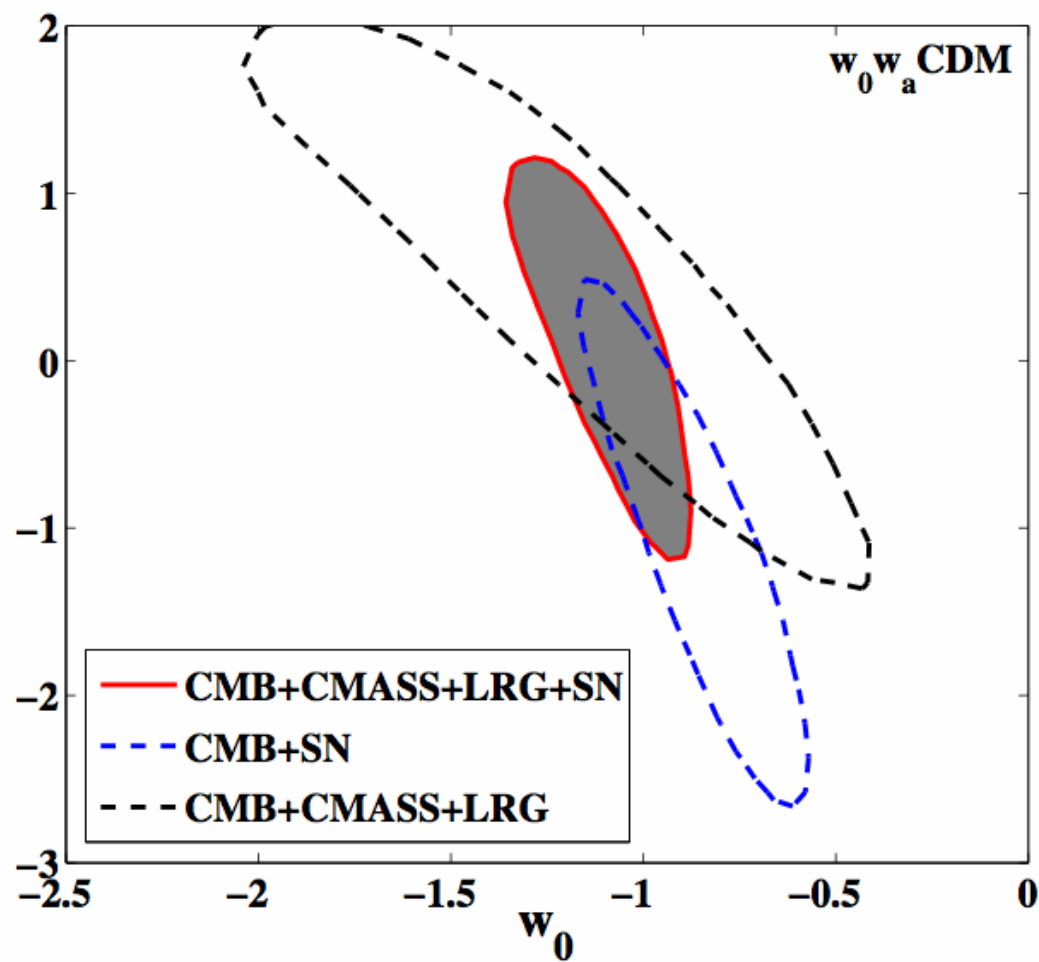
BAO Hubble Diagram



Still things to learn



FoM=14



Other Cosmologies (Reid et al. 2012)

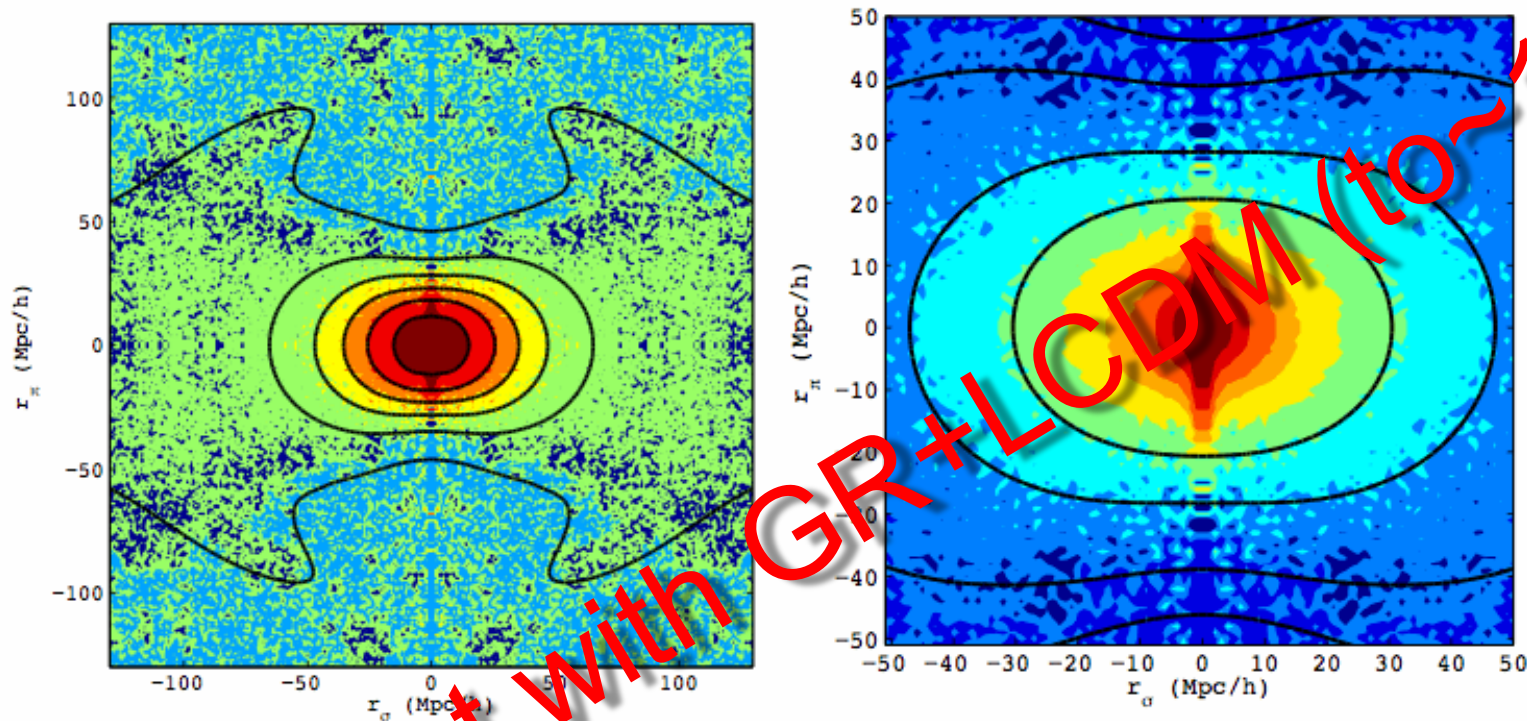


Figure 3. *Left panel:* Two-dimensional correlation function of CMASS galaxies (color) compared with the best fit model described in Section 6.1 (black lines). Contours of equal ξ are shown at [0.6, 0.2, 0.1, 0.05, 0.02, 0]. *Right panel:* Smaller-scale two-dimensional clustering. We show model contours at [0.14, 0.05, 0.01, 0]. The value of r_{\perp} at the minimum separation bin in our analysis is shown as the innermost contour. The $\mu \approx 1$ “finger-of-god” effects are small on the scales we use in this analysis.

Model	$b\sigma_8$	$f\sigma_8$	D_V [Mpc]	F	$(1 + z_{\text{eff}})D_A$ [Mpc]	H [km s $^{-1}$ Mpc $^{-1}$]
Free growth	2	$1.228^{+0.033}_{-0.032}$	$0.415^{+0.034}_{-0.033}$	-	-	-
Free Geometry	3	$1.246^{+0.043}_{-0.046}$	-	2076^{+42}_{-44}	$0.683^{+0.026}_{-0.025}$	2204 ± 44
Both free	4	$1.238^{+0.047}_{-0.050}$	$0.427^{+0.069}_{-0.063}$	2070^{+43}_{-46}	$0.675^{+0.042}_{-0.038}$	2190 ± 61
WMAP7 Λ CDM	-	0.451 ± 0.025	2009 ± 42	$0.6635^{+0.0084}_{-0.0073}$	2113^{+53}_{-52}	$94.2^{+1.4}_{-1.3}$

Table 1. The median and 68.3 per cent confidence level intervals on parameters $b\sigma_8$, $f\sigma_8$, absolute distance scale D_V (Eqn. 15), Alcock-Paczynski parameter F (Eqn. 16), as well as derived parameters, comoving angular diameter distance ($(1 + z_{\text{eff}})D_A$) and expansion rate (H). To obtain these constraints, we marginalize over σ_{FoG}^2 and power spectrum shape parameters $\vec{p}_s = \{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, n_s\}$ for Models 2-4, as described in Section 5.2. We interpret our measurements at the effective redshift of our galaxy sample, $z_{\text{eff}} = 0.57$.

BOSS 2014 (“Stage III”)

Eisenstein et al. 2011

$$w(z)=w_0+w_a(1-a).$$

TABLE 5
BOSS PARAMETER CONSTRAINT FORECASTS

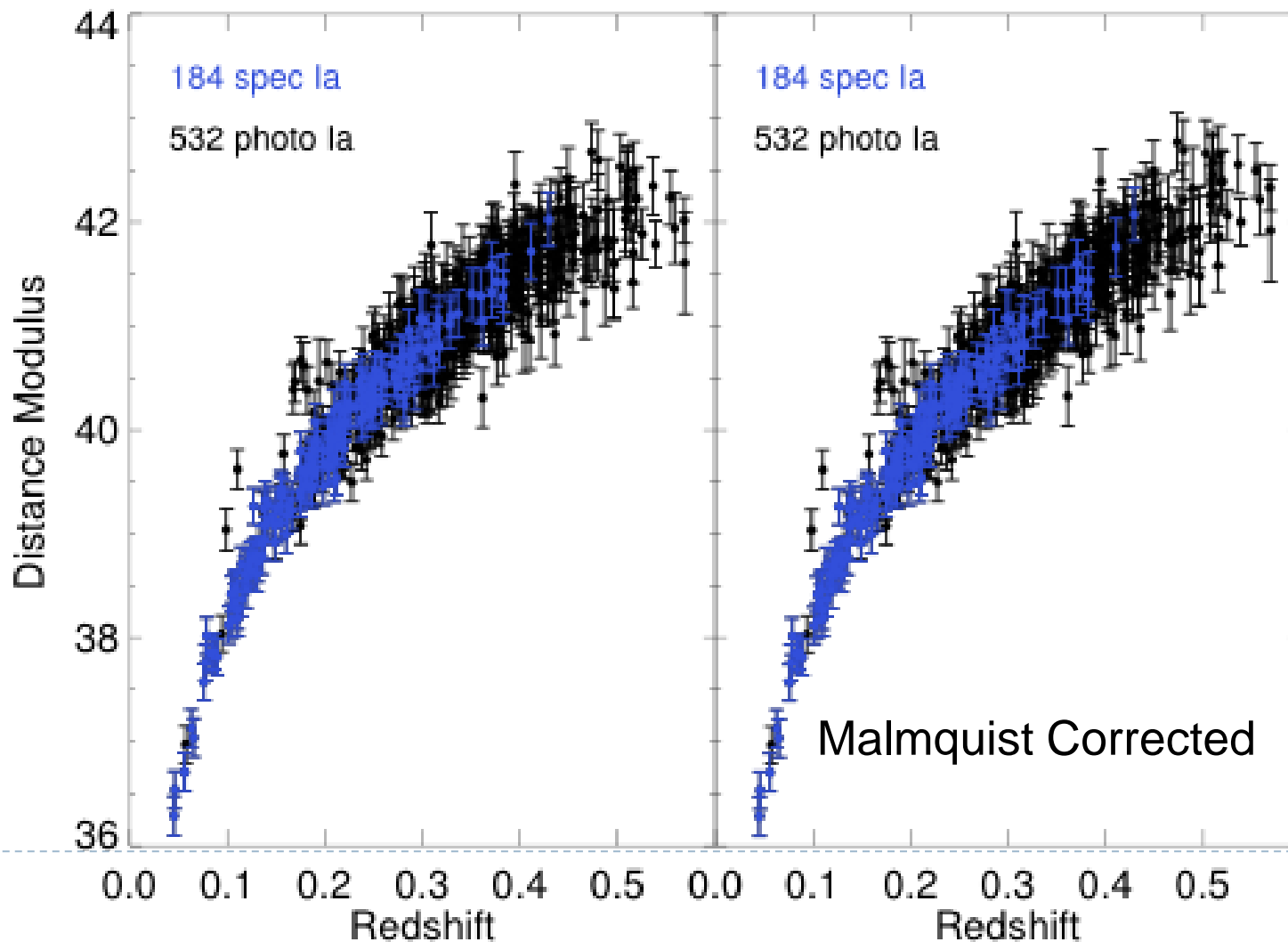
Expt.	h	Ω_K	w_0	w_p	w_a	FoM
Planck+Stage II	0.019	0.0031	0.115	0.036	0.524	53.4
BOSS LRG BAO	0.009	0.0027	0.090	0.031	0.365	87.4
BOSS LRG BAO+LyαF BAO	0.009	0.0019	0.083	0.030	0.320	102
BOSS LRG broad-band+Ly α FBAO	0.007	0.0018	0.074	0.019	0.284	188

NOTE. — All constraints assume Planck and the DETF forecasts for “Stage II” experiments. BAO constraints include only the acoustic scale information and are therefore conservative; the final line shows the BOSS forecast that also incorporates broad-band galaxy power information.

d_A of 1.0% at $z = 0.35$ & 0.6, 4.5% at $z = 2.5$,
 $H(z)$ to 1.8%, 1.7% and 2.6% respectively

Ancillary Program!

- ▶ High impact for relatively small fiber allocations
- ▶ Lots of community support



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e-BOSS: Extending BOSS

The novel Sloan legacy cosmological survey

Selected for AS3 end 2011 - survey will start mid 2014

J.-P. Kneib, F. Abdalla, J. Annis, E. Aubourg, D. Bacon, S. Bailey, G. Bernstein, A. Bolton, N. Brandt, J. Brownstein, Y. Cai, F. Castander, J. Cepa, J. Comparat, R. Croft, F. Courbin, J.-G. Cuby, S. Das, L. Da Costa, A. Dey, A. Ealet, S. Escoffier, J. Frieman, S. Ho, R. Kron, O. Lahav, J.-M. Le Goff, O. Le Fèvre, M. Limousin, C. Magneville, M. Maia, M. Makler, G. Meylan, P. McDonald, N. Mostek, A. Myers, J. Newman, B. Nichol, N. Padmanabhan, N. Palanque-Delabrouille, J. Peacock, W. Percival, C. Peroux, P. Petitjean, M. Pieri, F. Prada, J. Rich, E. Rollinde, E. Rozo, E. Rykoff, V. Ruhlmann-Kleider, M. Sako, B. Santiago, C. Schimd, D. Schlegel, D. Schneider, U. Seljak, A. Slosar, M. Takada, C. Tao, L. Tasca, R. Tojeiro, L. Verde, M. White, C. Yèche, and I. Zehavi

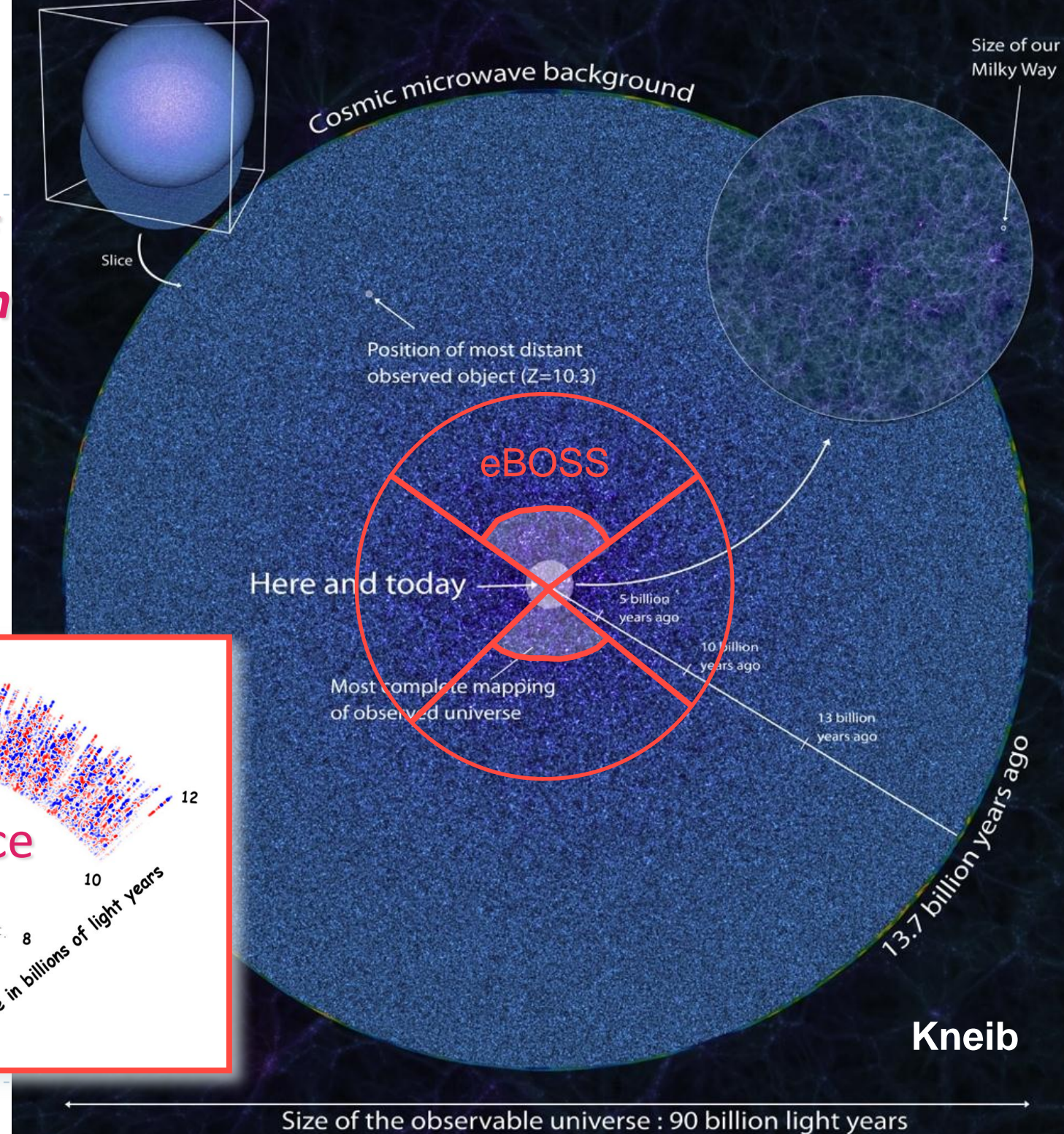
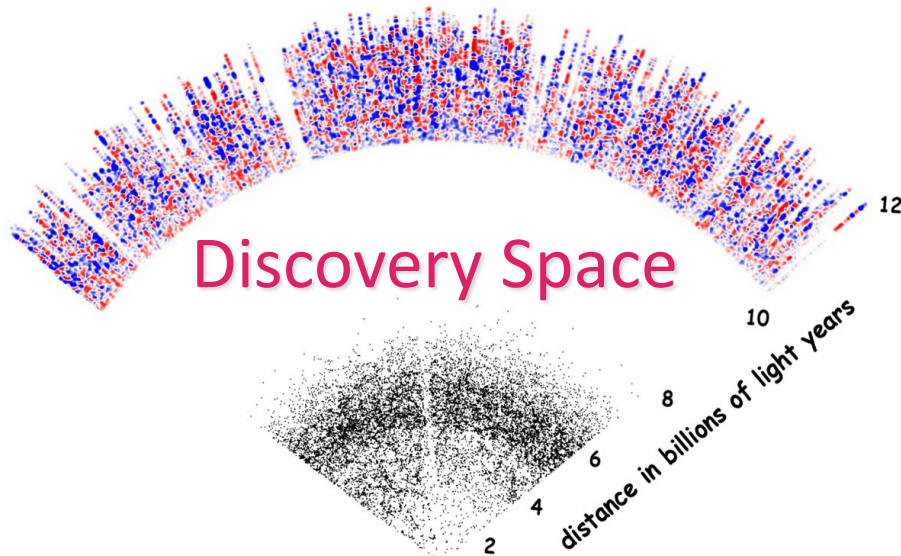
66 co-Is, from 29 institutes signed the proposal
growing interest - you are welcome to join!

Talk to Mike Blanton!

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eBOSS:

*Measuring the
Expansion History of
the Universe between
7 and 11 billions of
Light-Year
with Galaxies &
Quasars*

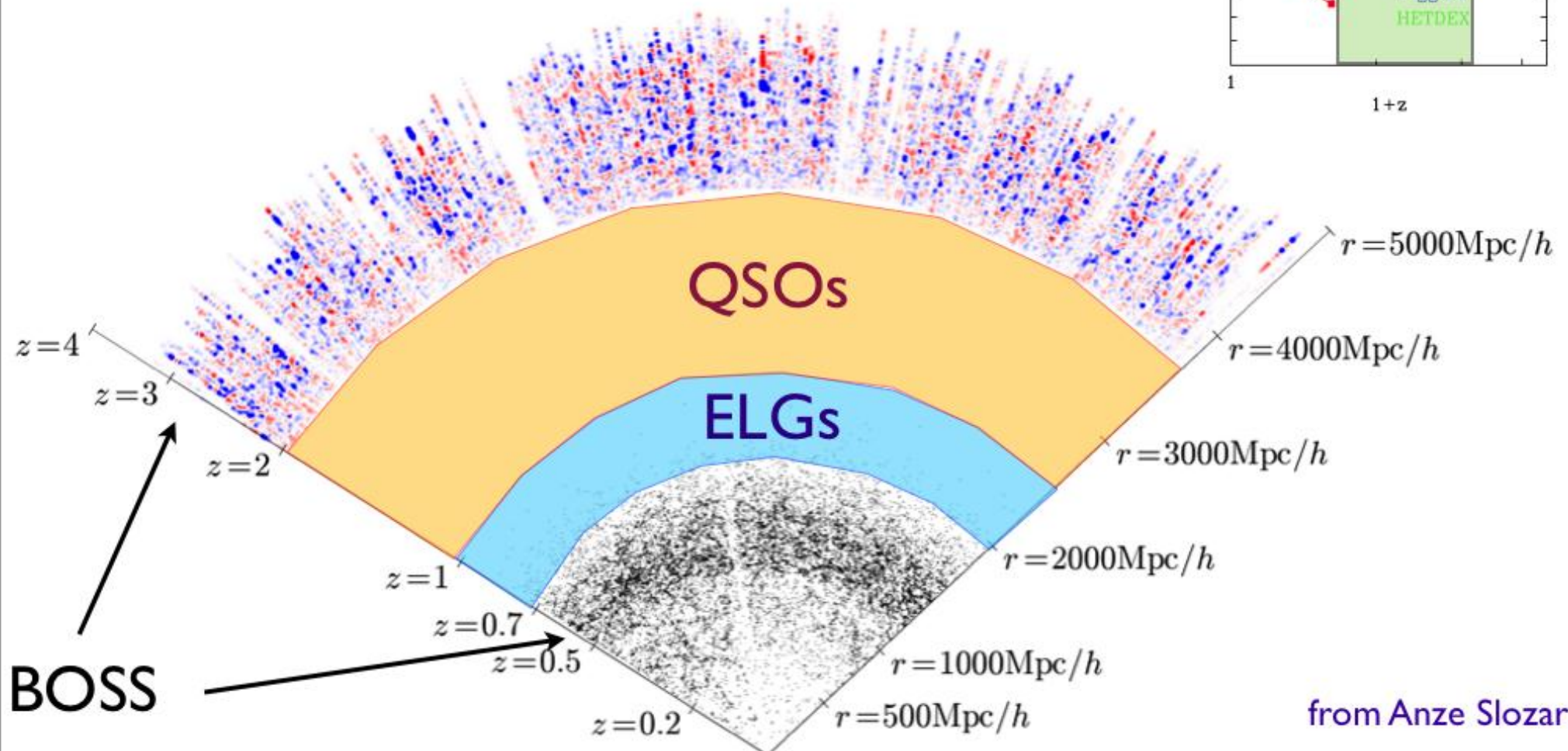
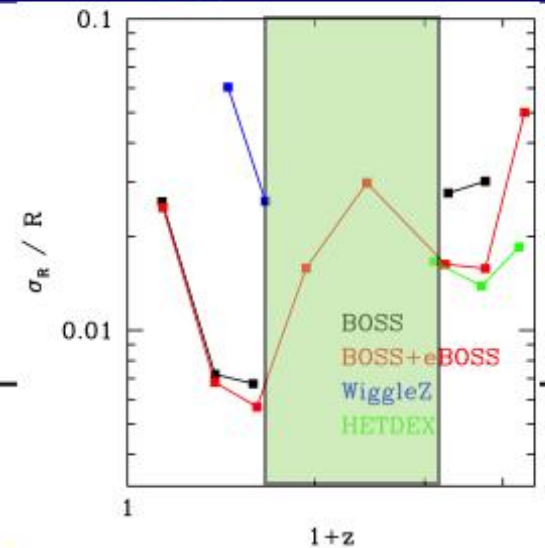
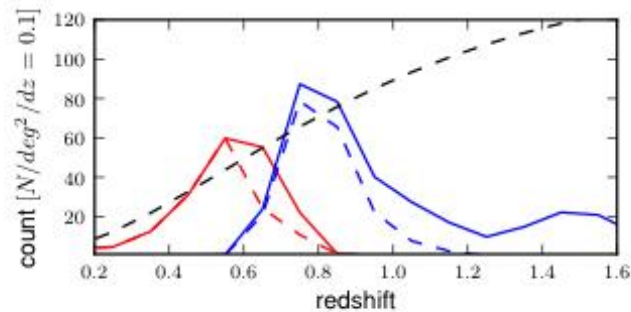


e-BOSS Summary

- a new cosmology project that pushes the reach of the Sloan Telescope to *map the LSS beyond $z=0.6$ (BAO, RSD)*:
 - **probe $0.6 < z < \sim 1.6$ with Emission-Line-Galaxies (ELG)**
 - probe $0.6 < z < 0.8$ with Luminous Red Galaxies (LRG)
 - **probe $1 < z < \sim 2.2$ with QSOs**
 - increase the sample of $z > 2.2$ QSOs for Ly-forest survey
 - **accommodate TDSS (Variability) and SPIDERS (eROSITA) targets**
- **provide new competitive BAO+RSD+WL Dark Energy constraints in the footprint of new WL/cluster DE survey [e.g. DES, KIDS, Scube]:**
 - double the signal in the Ly-alpha forest compared to BOSS
 - a factor of $\sim 2+$ improvement in DETF-FOM for BAO compared to BOSS.
 - **develop synergy with the new WL and cluster DE probes.**
- **provide a wealth of ancillary sciences:**
 - Galaxy Evolution and Quasar/IGM sciences
 - Lensing (photo-z calibration and tracing clusters/groups, strong lensing)
 - Multi-wavelength science using synergy with other very wide field survey

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e-BOSS LSS mapping



from Anze Slosar

e-BOSS numbers

- **Survey Strategy:**

- ~2,500 sq.deg.
- *survey area visited 3 times over the project* (finish before BigBOSS starts), ~1h exposures (similar to BOSS)
 - ~400k ELGs
 - ~200k LRGs (at $z > 0.6$)
 - ~350k QSOs (100k at $z > 2.2$)
 - ~100k targets from TDSS & SPIDERS (variability+AGN)
- *repeat observations on some targets (Ly-alpha QSOs, hi-z LRGs, time-variability spectroscopy), and observation of close objects closer than the fiber collision limit (galaxy pairs, galaxy members in a cluster, galaxy-quasar close pairs ...) offer new science topics!*

Euclid



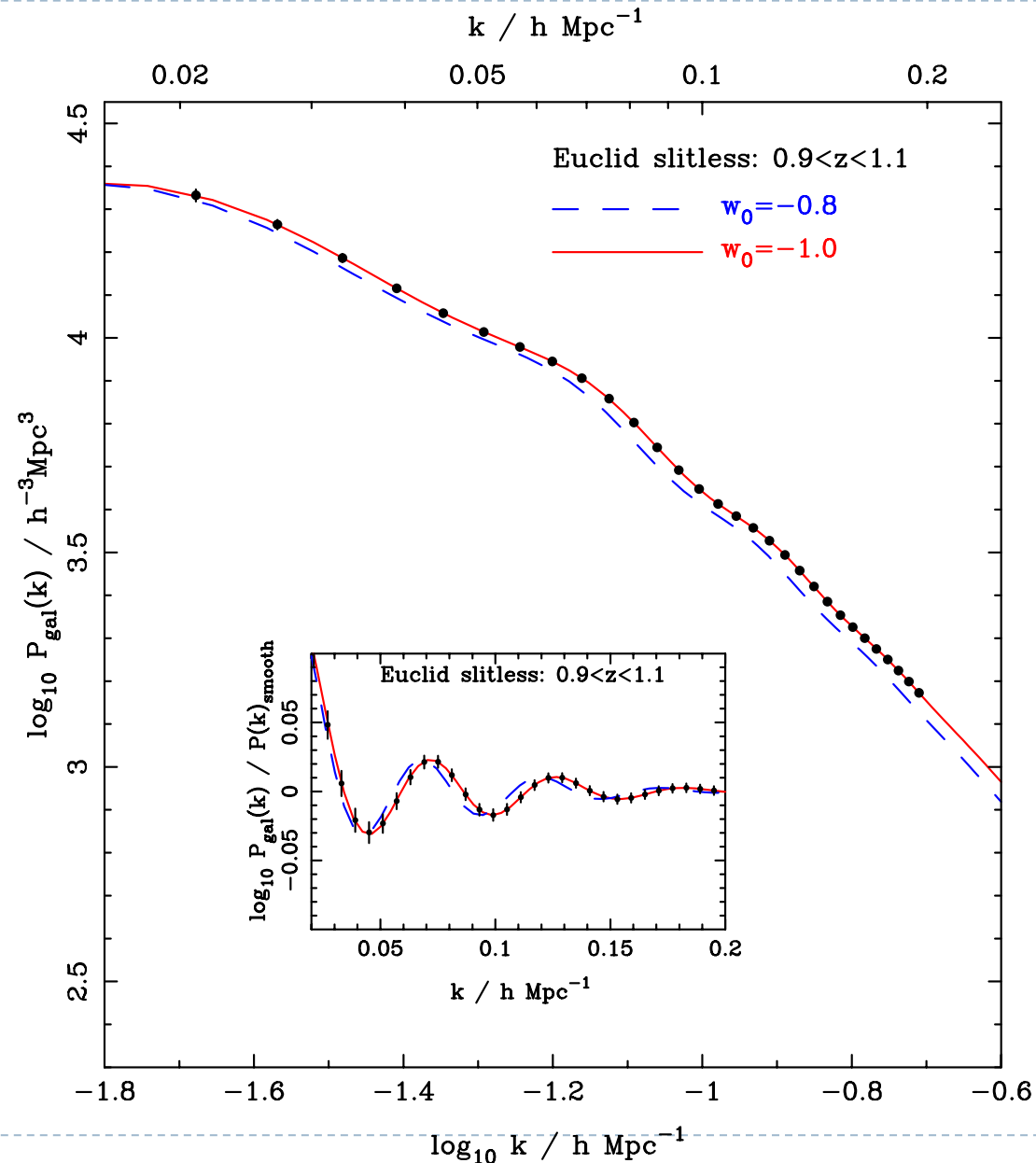
SURVEYS					
	Area (deg ²)	Description			
Wide Survey	15,000 (required) 20,000 (goal)	Step and stare with 4 dither pointings per step.			
Deep Survey	40	In at least 2 patches of > 10 deg ² 2 magnitudes deeper than wide survey			
PAYLOAD					
Telescope	1.2 m Korsch, 3 mirror anastigmat, f=24.5 m				
Instrument	VIS	NISP			
Field-of-View	0.787×0.709 deg ²	0.763×0.722 deg ²			
Capability	Visual Imaging	NIR Imaging Photometry			NIR Spectroscopy
Wavelength range	550– 900 nm	Y (920-1146nm),	J (1146-1372 nm)	H (1372-2000nm)	1100-2000 nm
Sensitivity	24.5 mag 10σ extended source	24 mag 5σ point source	24 mag 5σ point source	24 mag 5σ point source	3 10 ⁻¹⁶ erg cm-2 s-1 3.5σ unresolved line flux
Detector Technology	36 arrays 4k×4k CCD	16 arrays 2k×2k NIR sensitive HgCdTe detectors			
Pixel Size	0.1 arcsec	0.3 arcsec			0.3 arcsec
Spectral resolution					R=250
SPACECRAFT					
Launcher	Soyuz ST-2.1 B from Kourou				
Orbit	Large Sun-Earth Lagrange point 2 (SEL2), free insertion orbit				
Pointing	25 mas relative pointing error over one dither duration 30 arcsec absolute pointing error				
Observation mode	Step and stare, 4 dither frames per field, VIS and NISP common FoV = 0.54 deg ²				
Lifetime	7 years				
Operations	4 hours per day contact, more than one ground station to cope with seasonal visibility				

Science summary

- ▶ Two primary probes: new physics and systematics
- ▶ Weak lensing and galaxy clustering

	Modified Gravity	Dark Matter	Initial Conditions	Dark Energy		
Parameter	γ	m_ν/eV	f_{NL}	w_p	w_a	FoM
Euclid Primary	0.010	0.027	5.5	0.015	0.150	430
Euclid All	0.009	0.020	2.0	0.013	0.048	1540
Euclid+Planck	0.007	0.019	2.0	0.007	0.035	4020
Current	0.200	0.580	100	0.100	1.500	~ 10
Improvement Factor	30	30	50	>10	>50	>300

Euclid clustering measurements



20% of the Euclid data, assuming the slitless baseline at $z \sim 1$

Summary

- ▶ BOSS is half way to Stage III
 - ▶ Λ CDM + GR survives at 10% level
- ▶ Push now towards Stage VI
 - ▶ DES + eBOSS could deliver something quite unique by 2018
- ▶ Euclid should be adopted in June!

