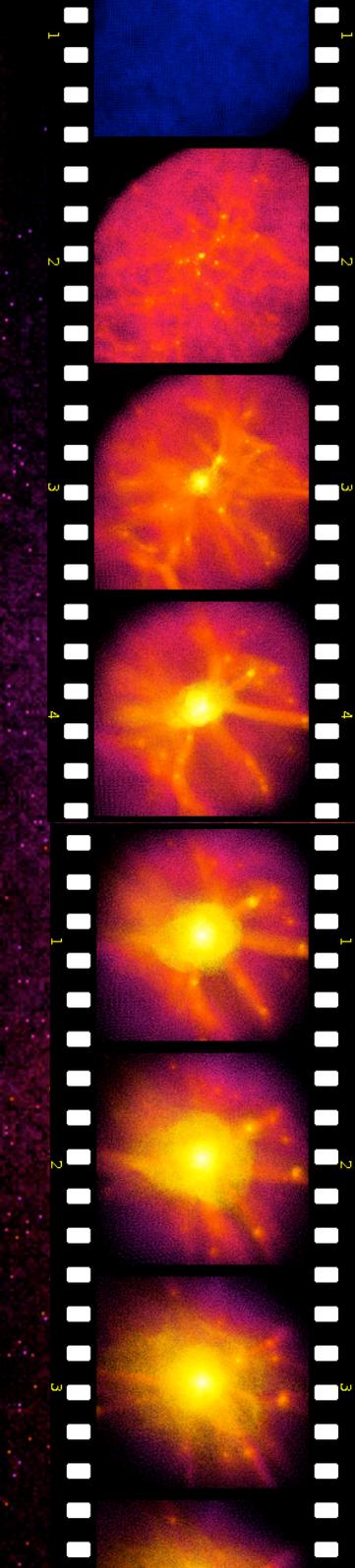


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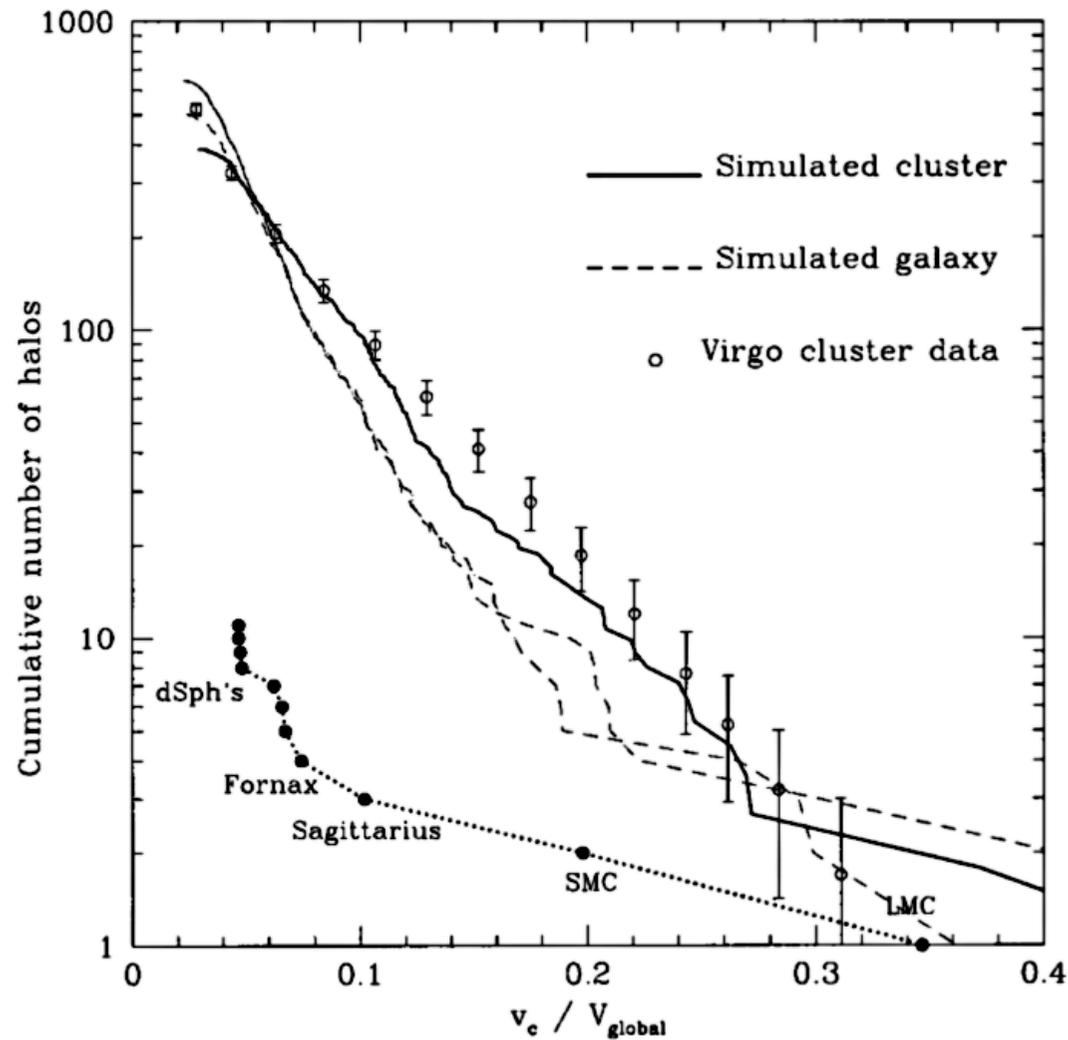
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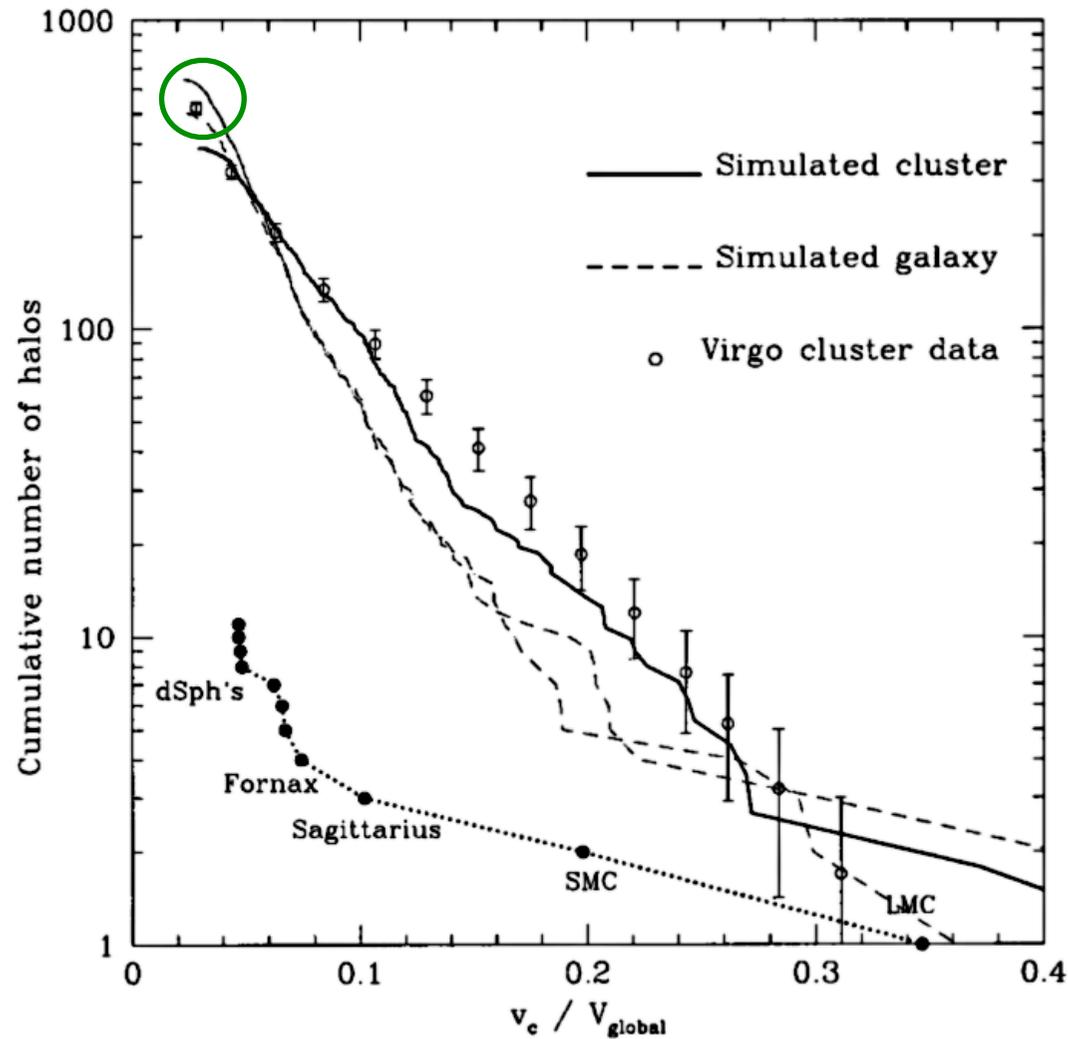
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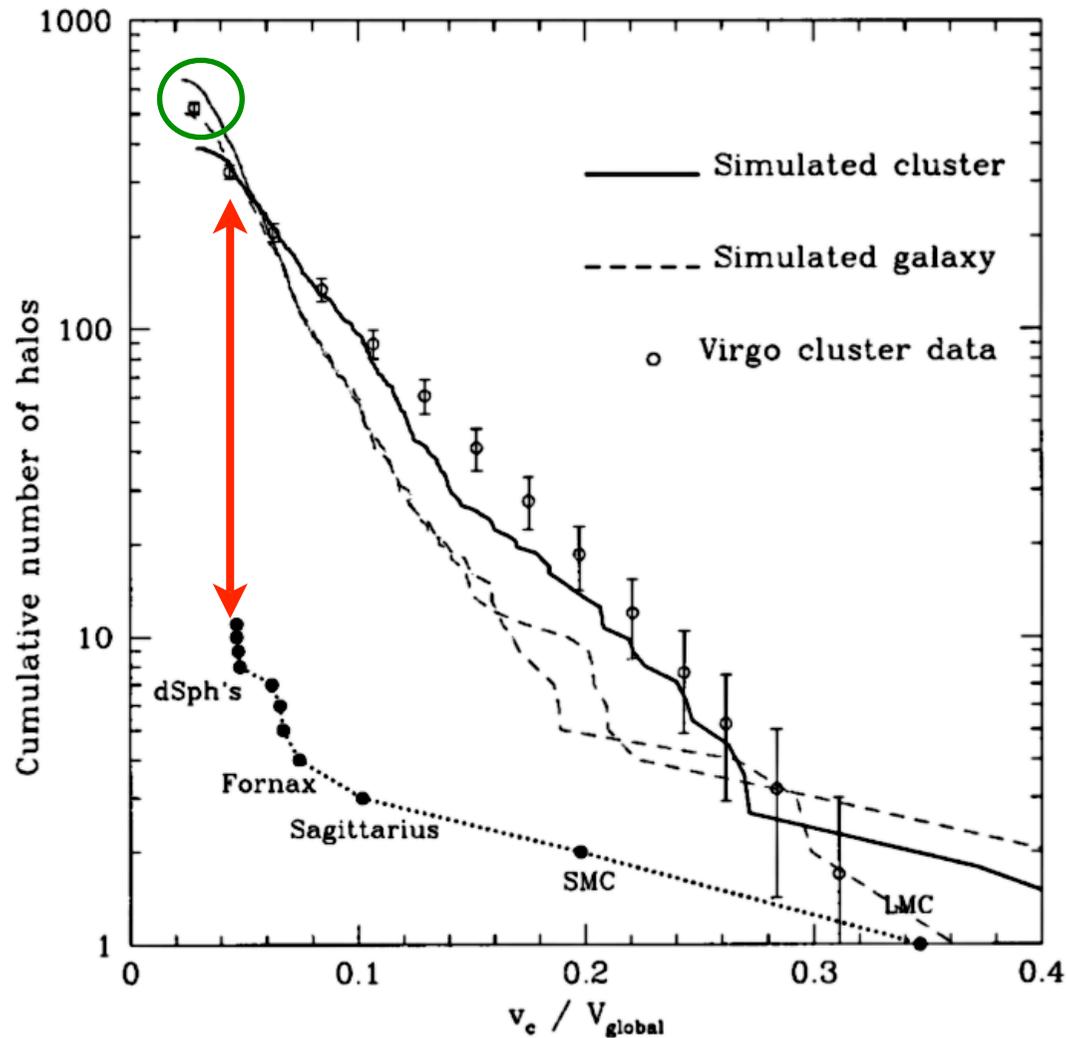


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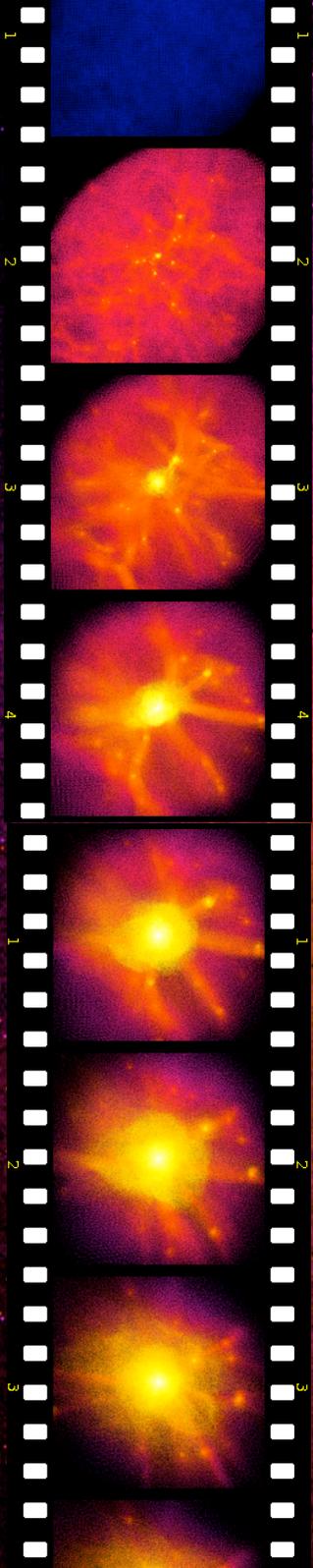
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# The Missing Satellites Problem

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  - Tidal stripping
  - Ram pressure

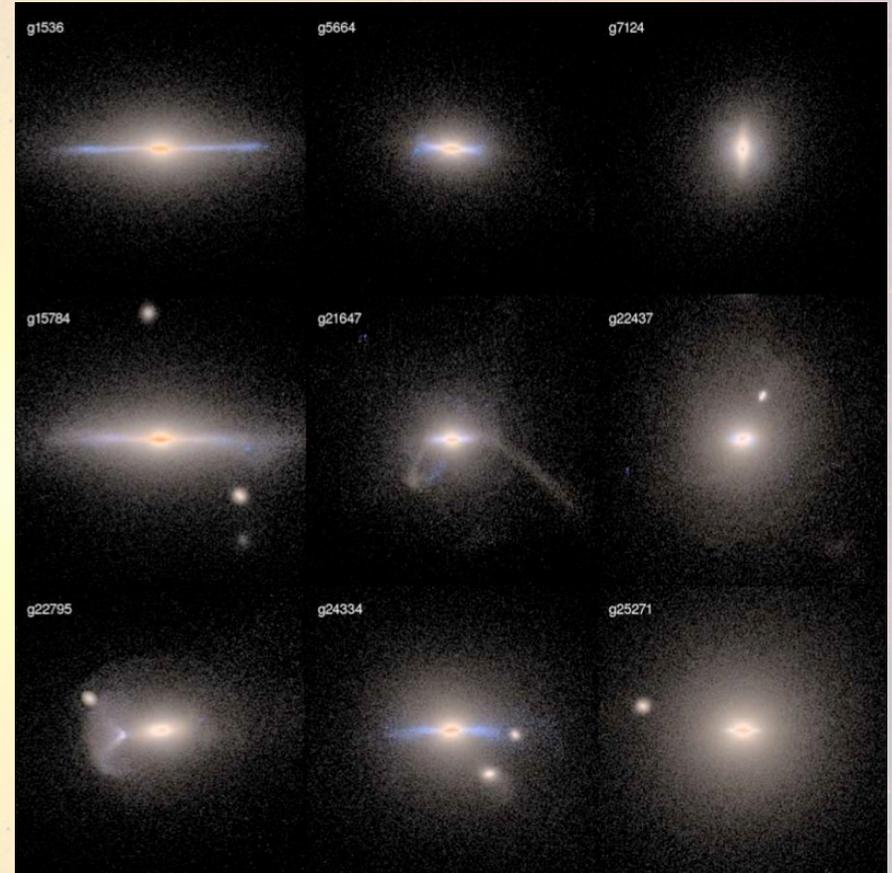


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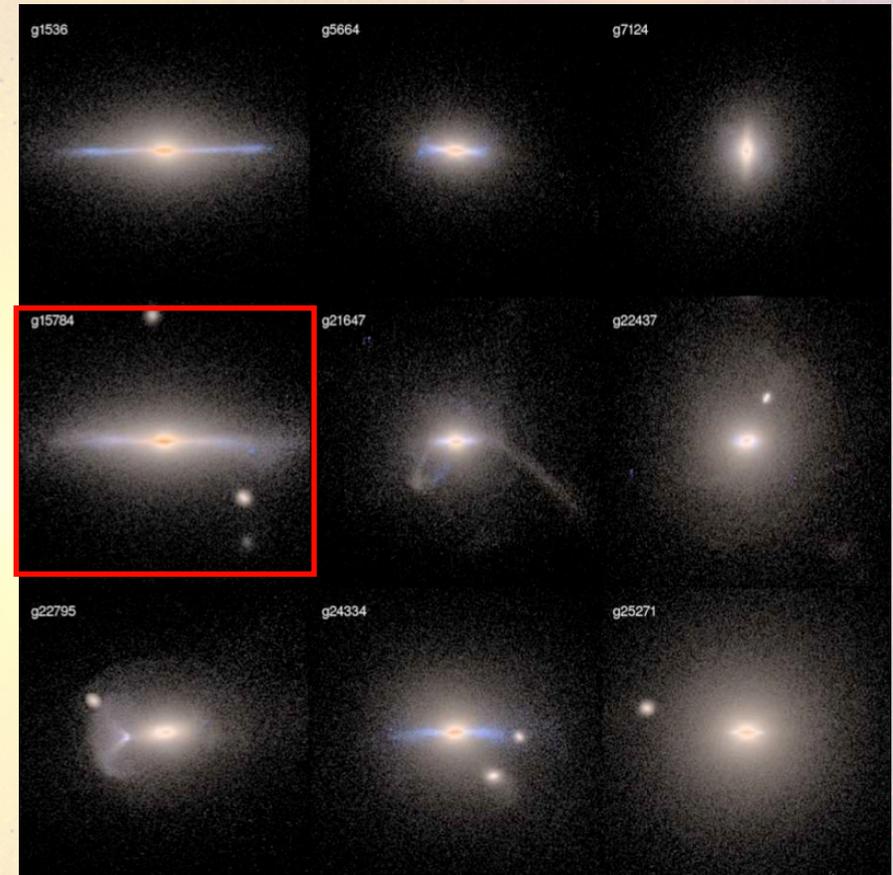
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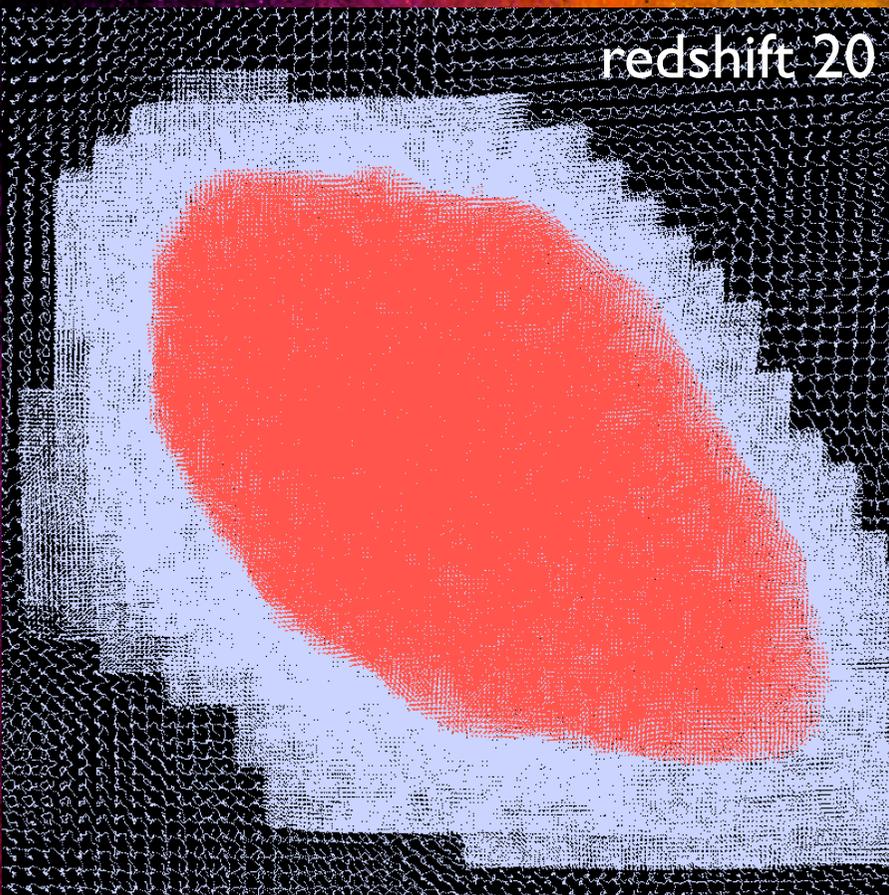


My analysis is focussed on one host galaxy's substructure: g15784

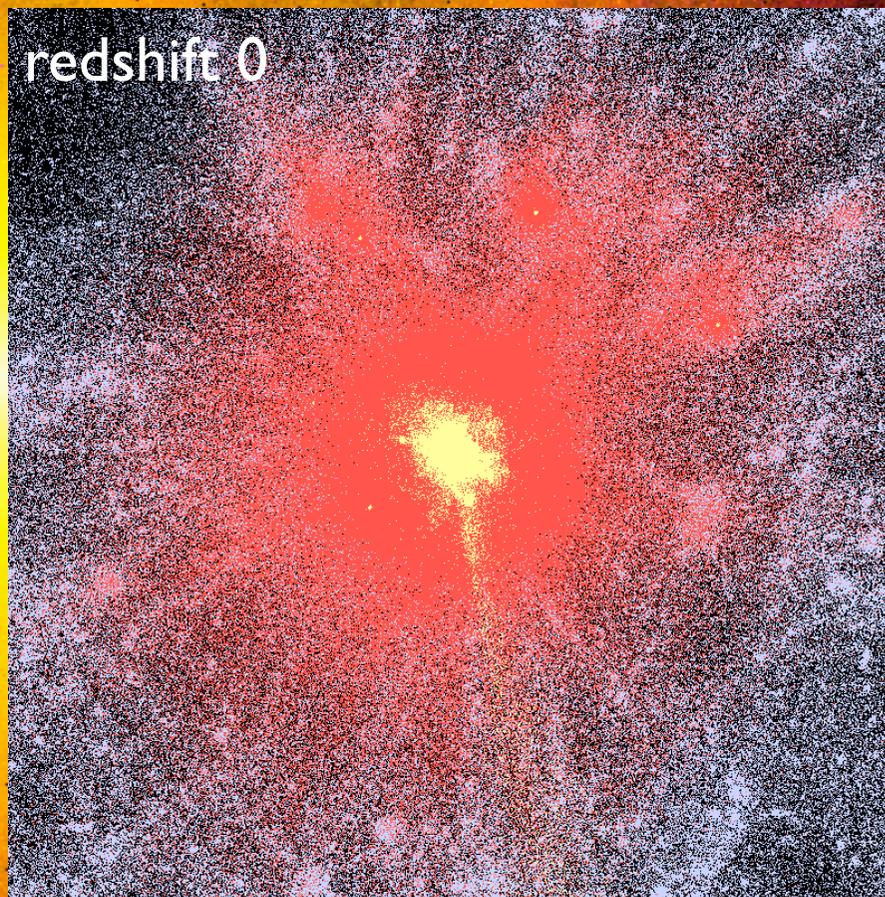
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g15784

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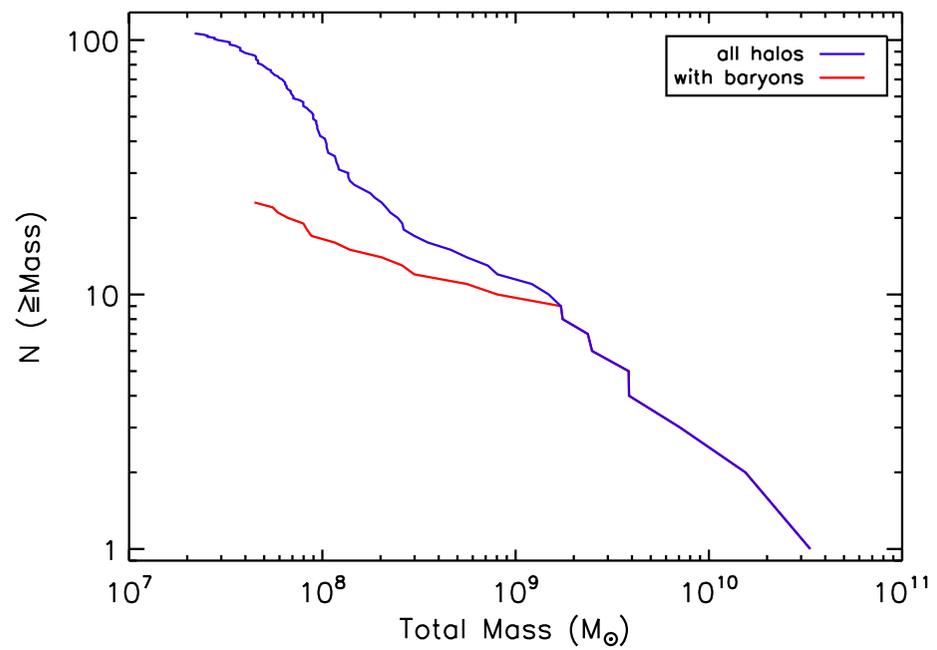


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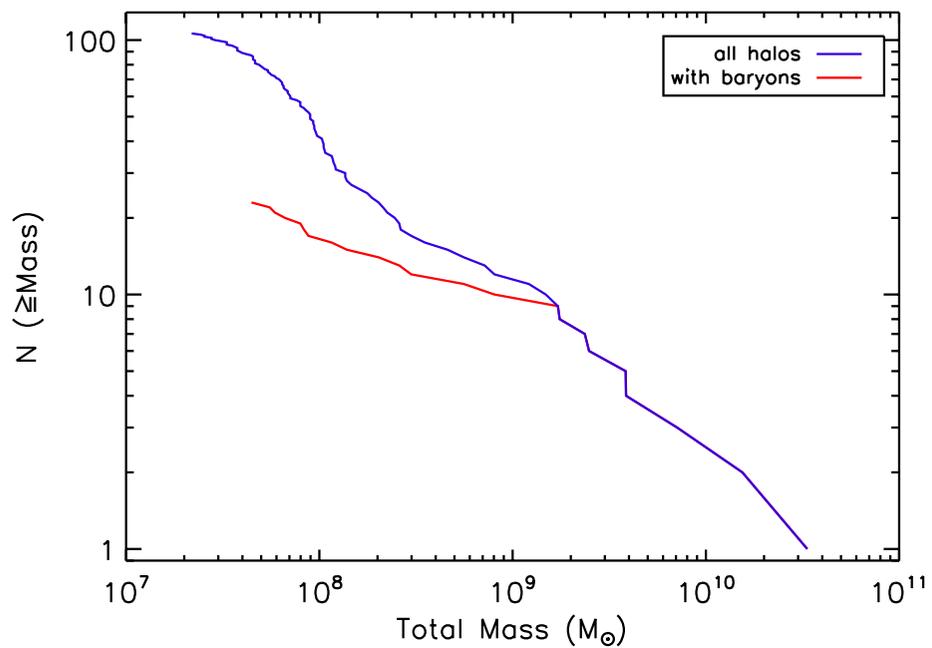


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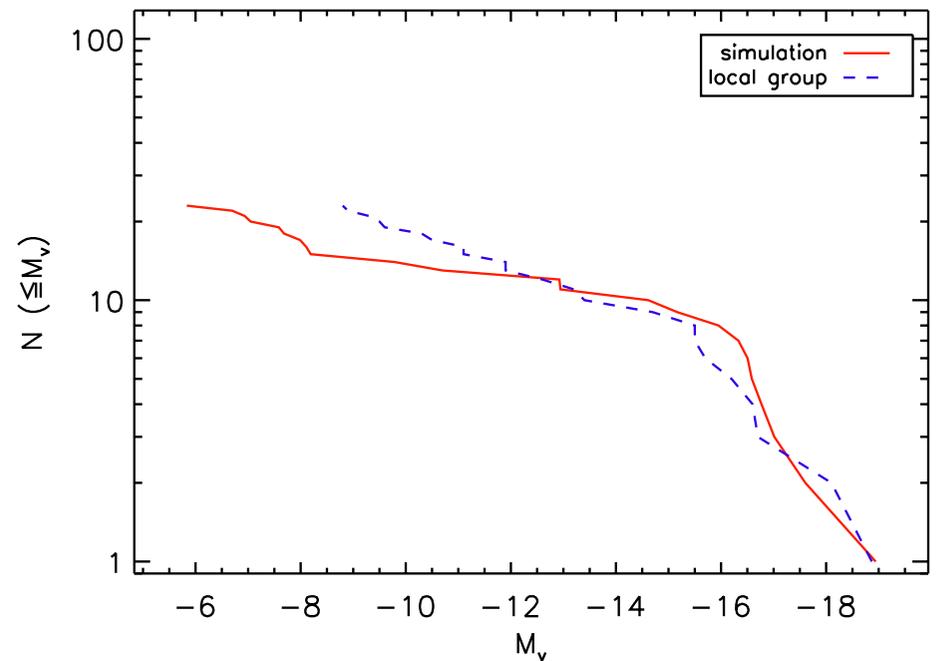
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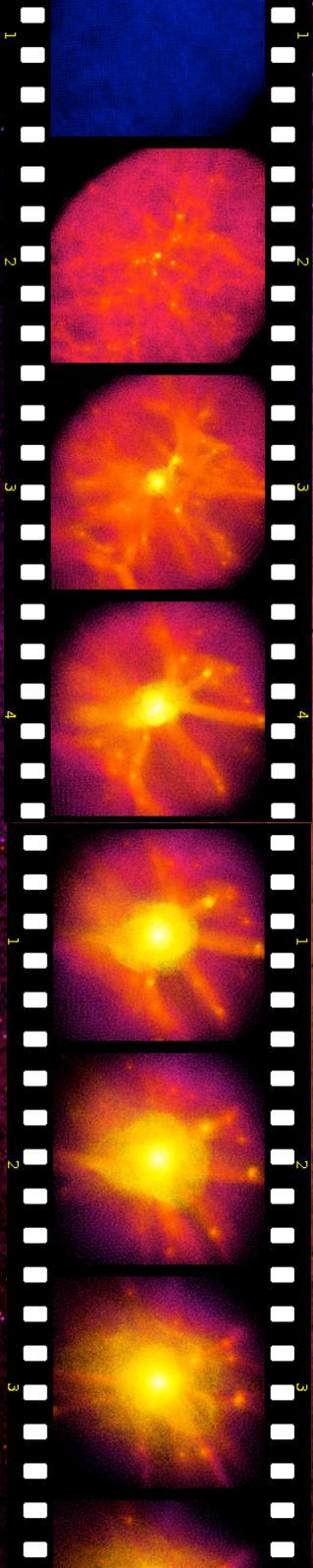


# Cumulative Luminosity Function



(data from Mateo, L. 1998 ARA&A, 36,435 and van den Bergh, S. 1991 PASPI03,609)

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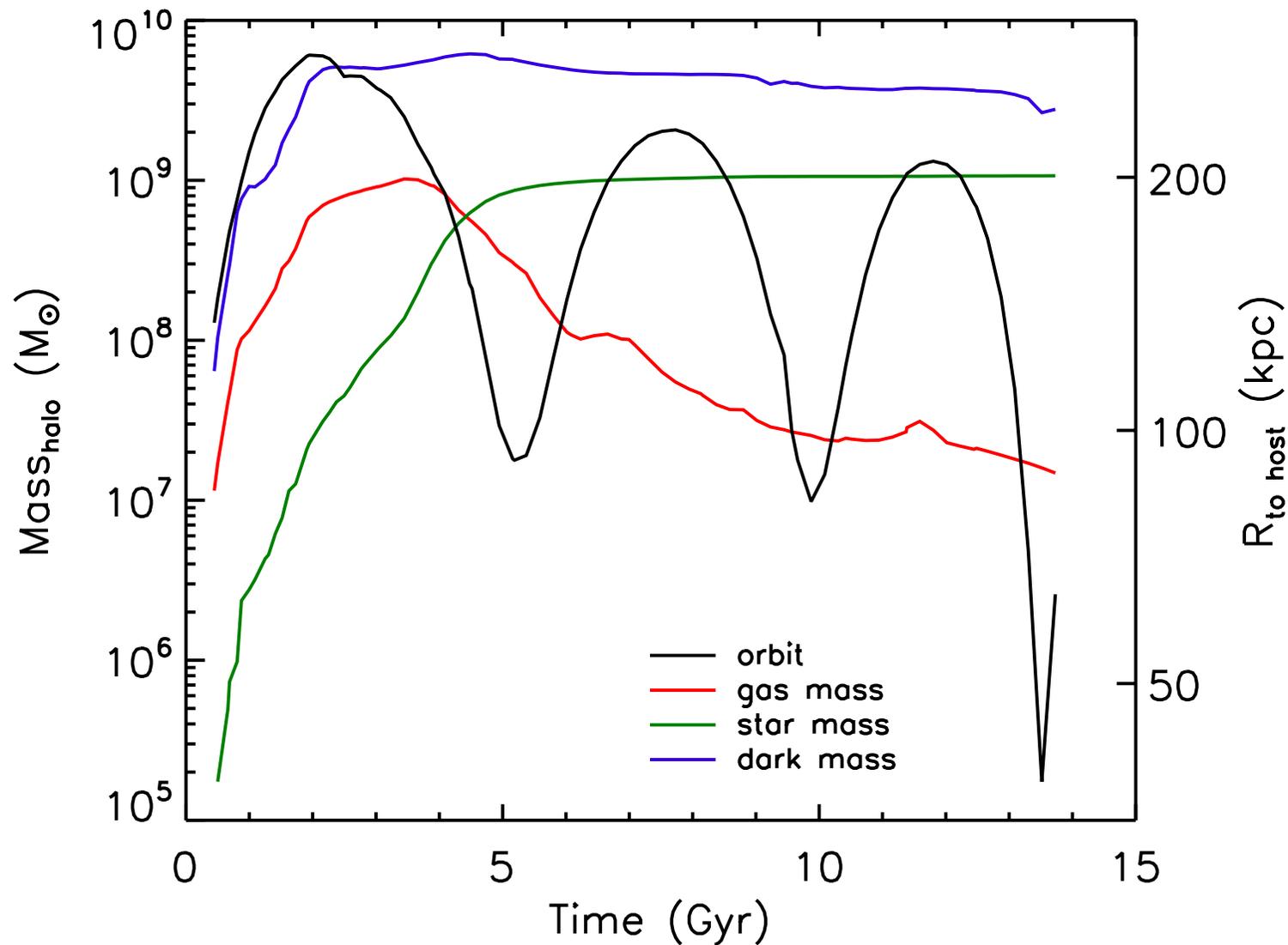
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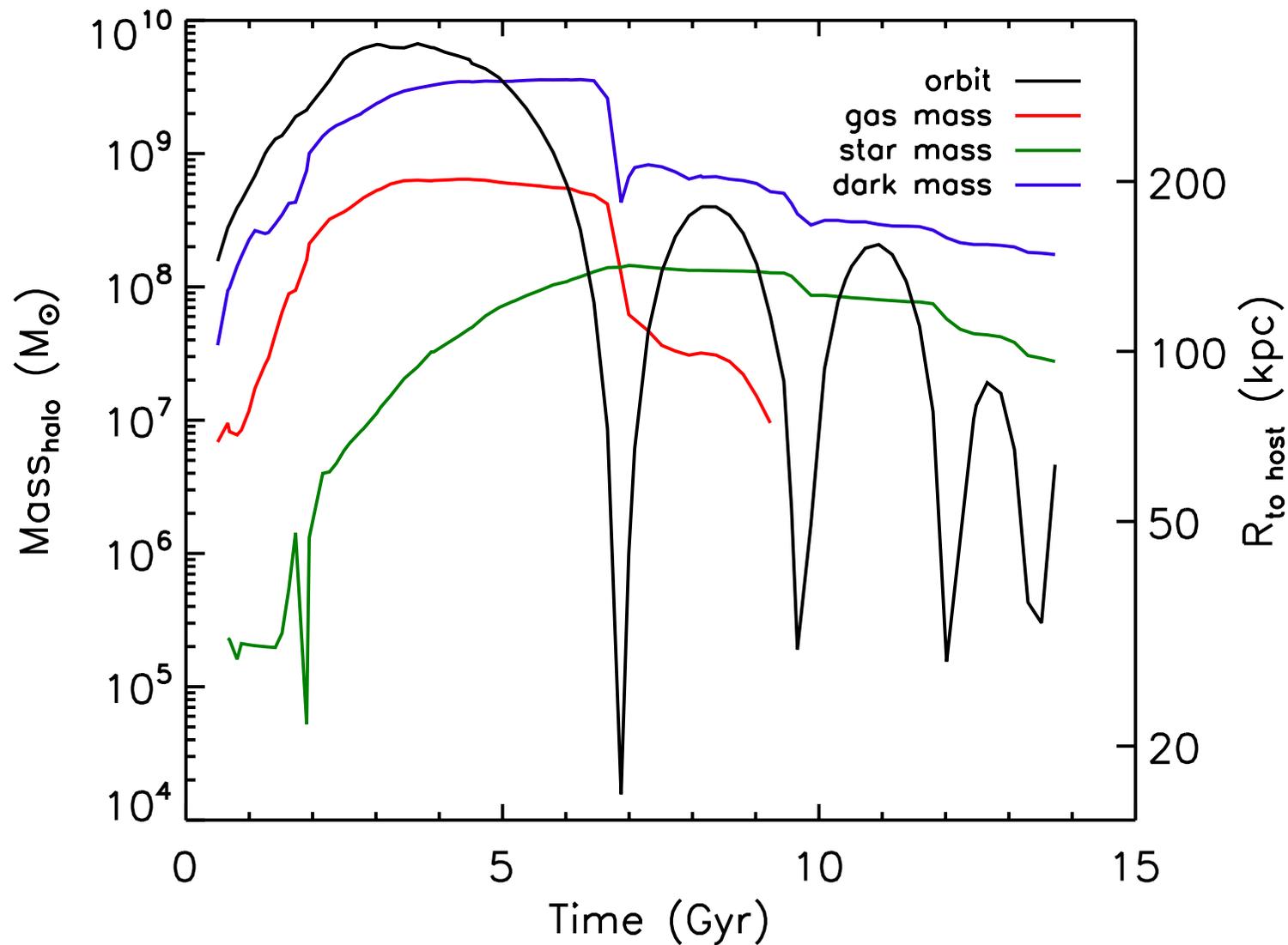
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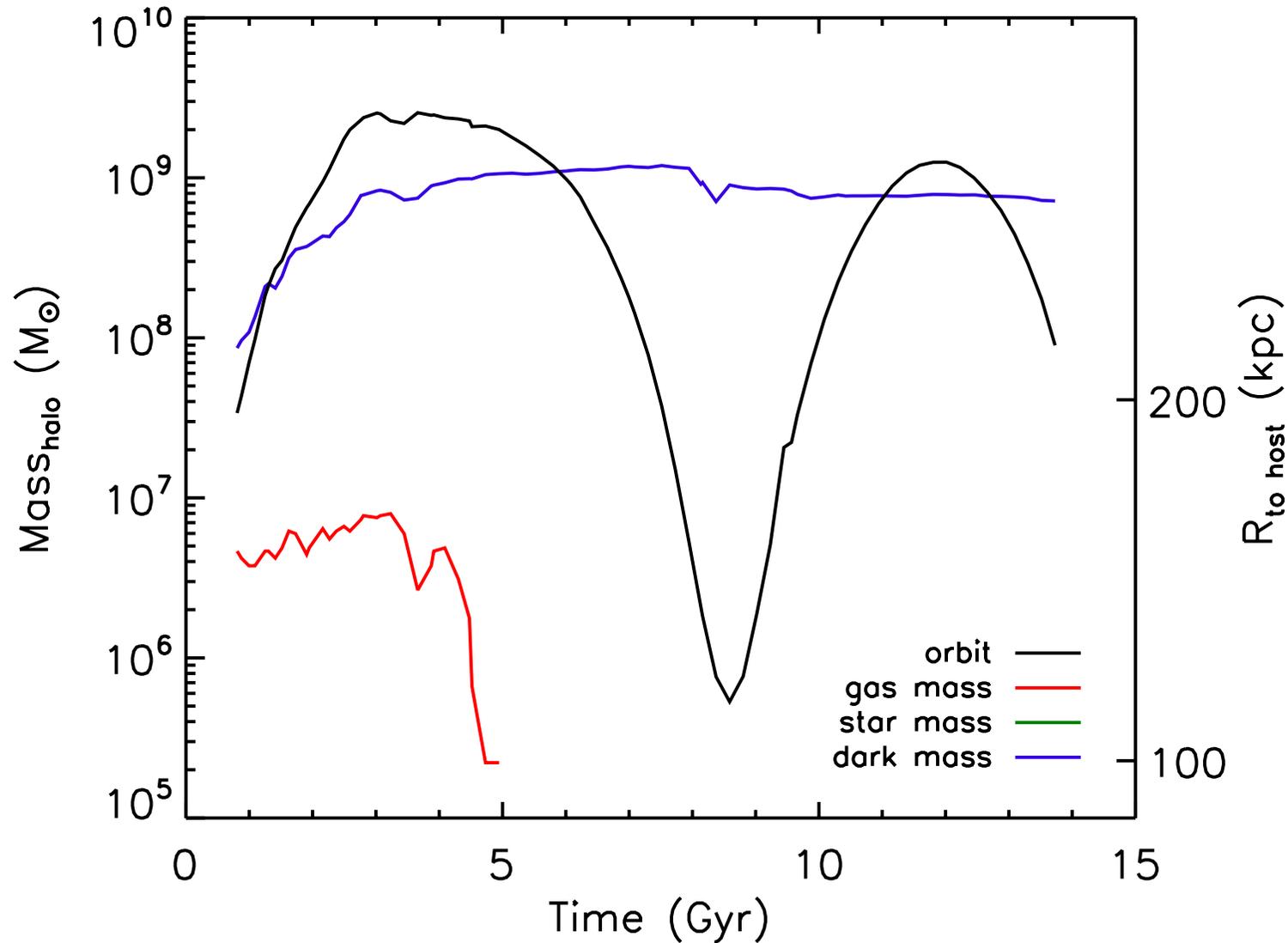
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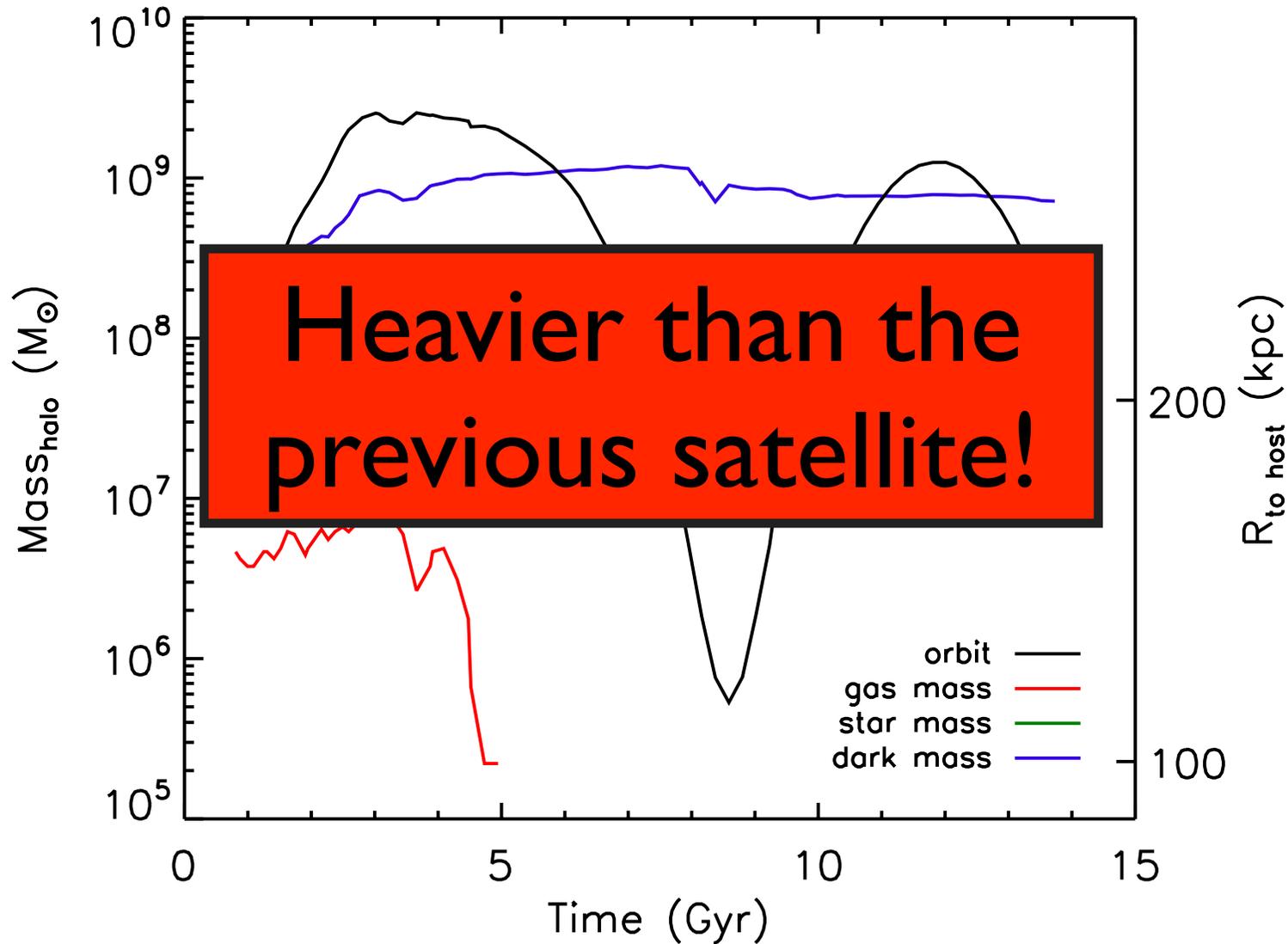
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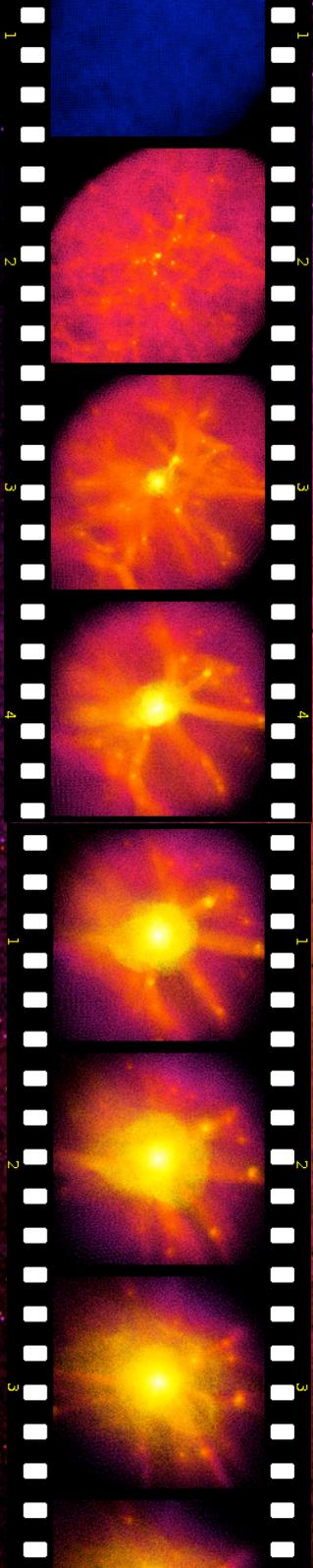
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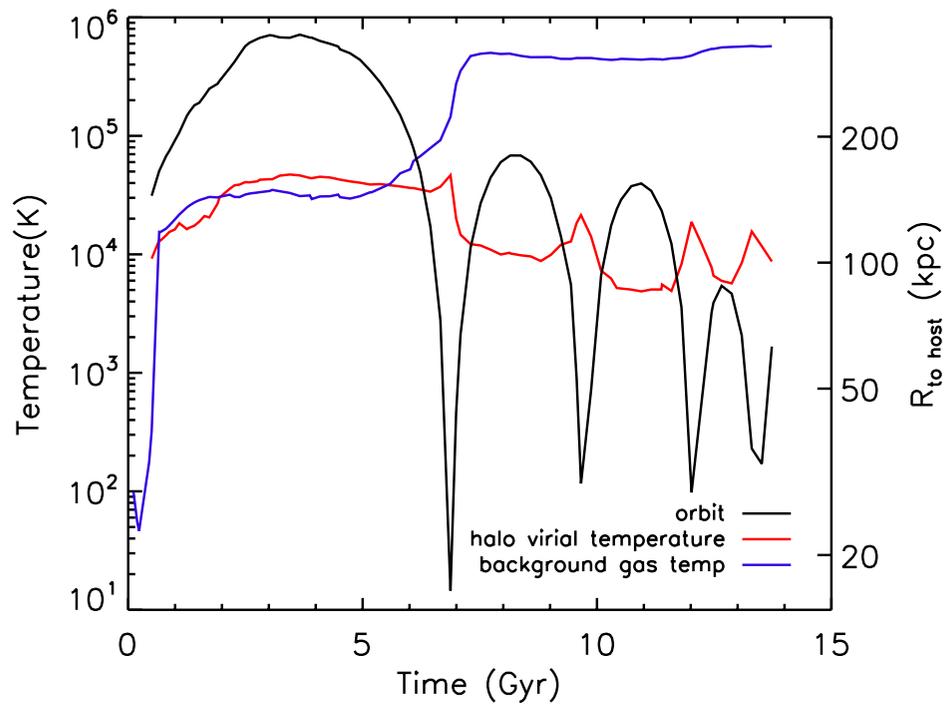


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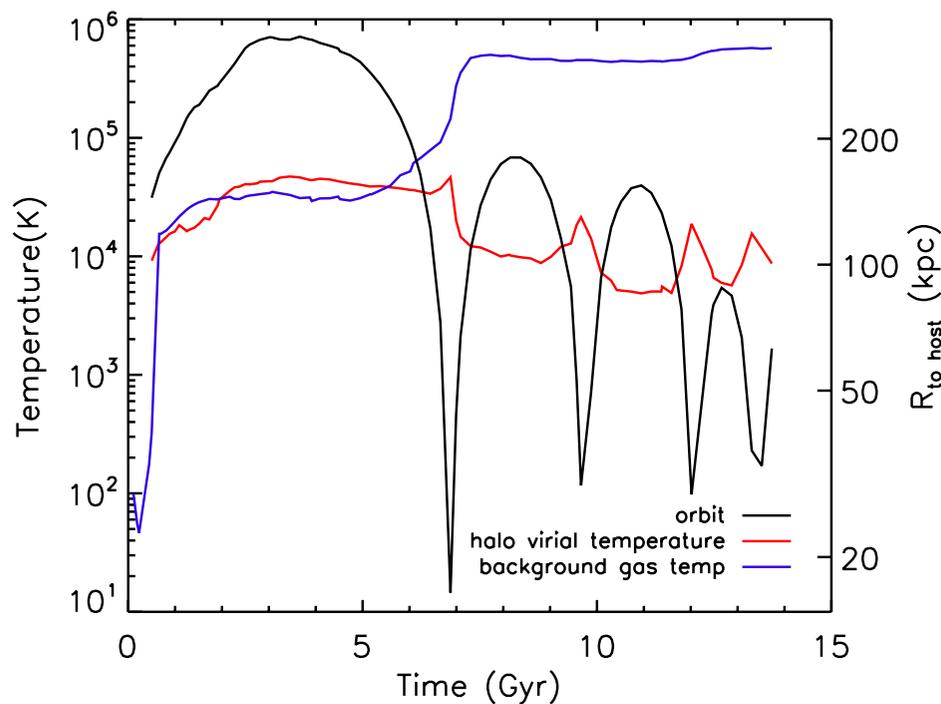
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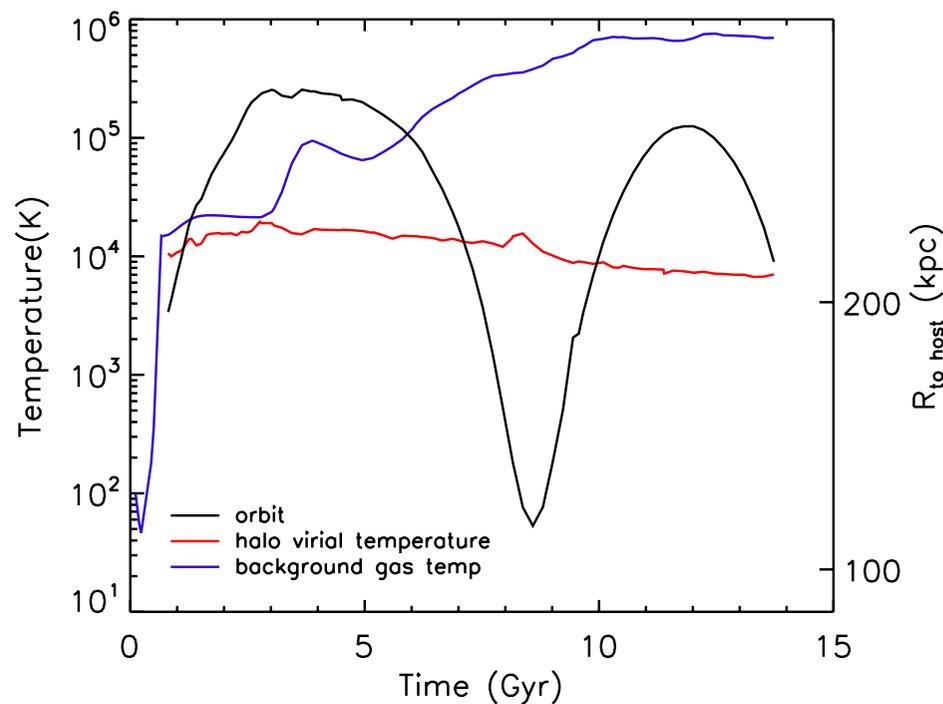


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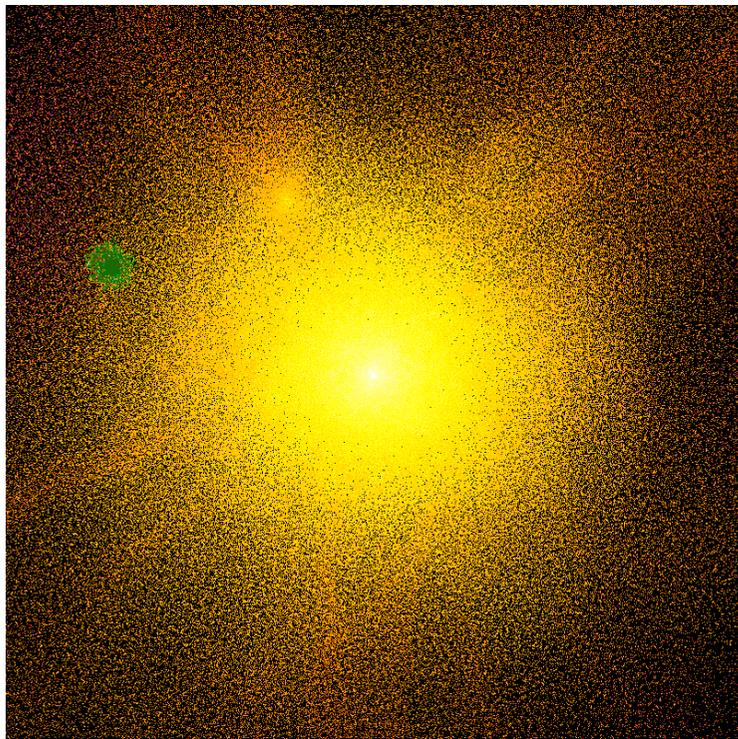
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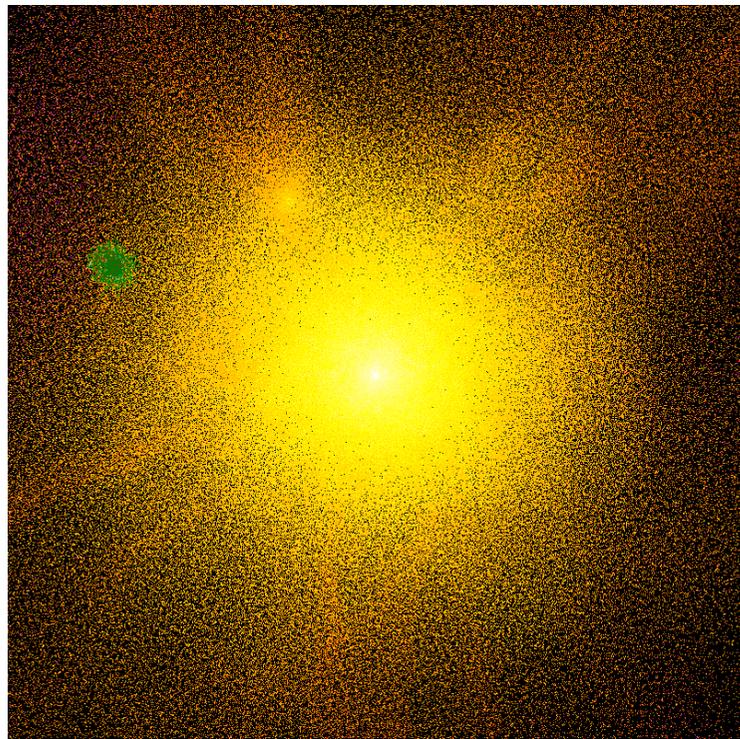


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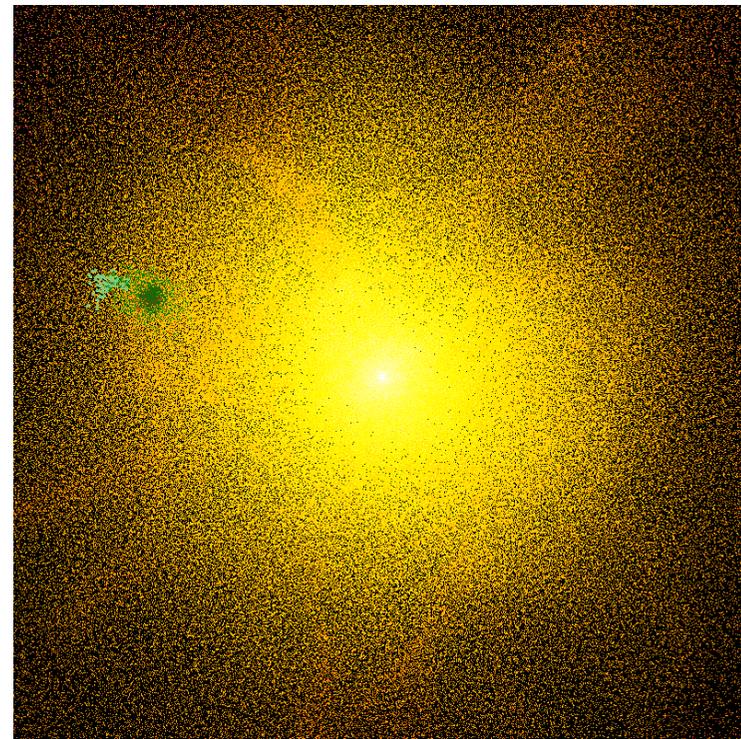
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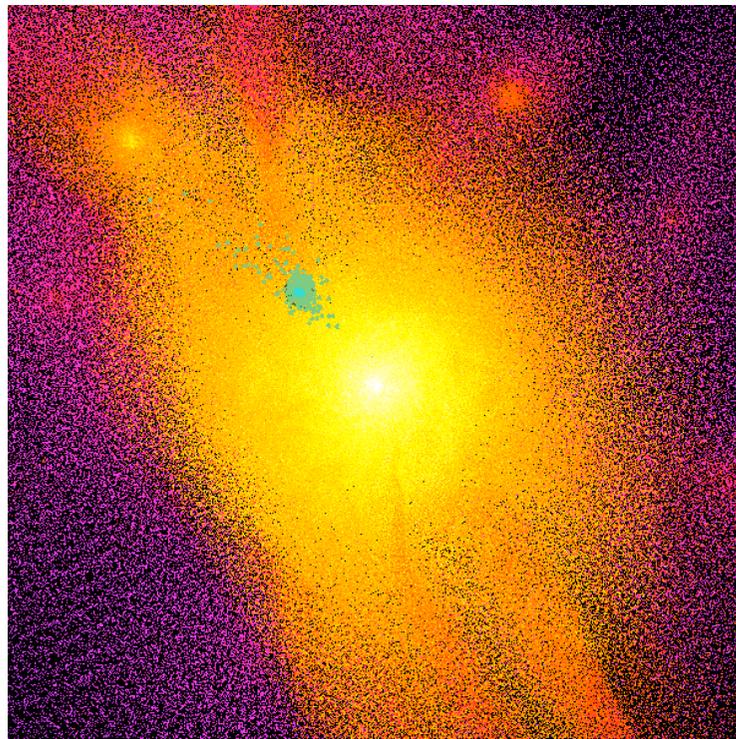
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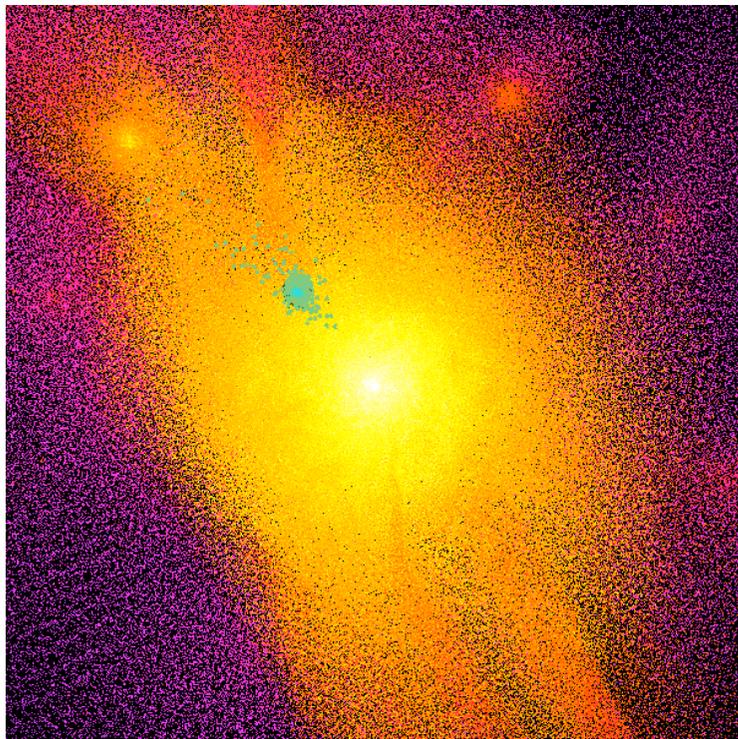
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$10^{1.5}K$

background gas temperature

$10^7K$

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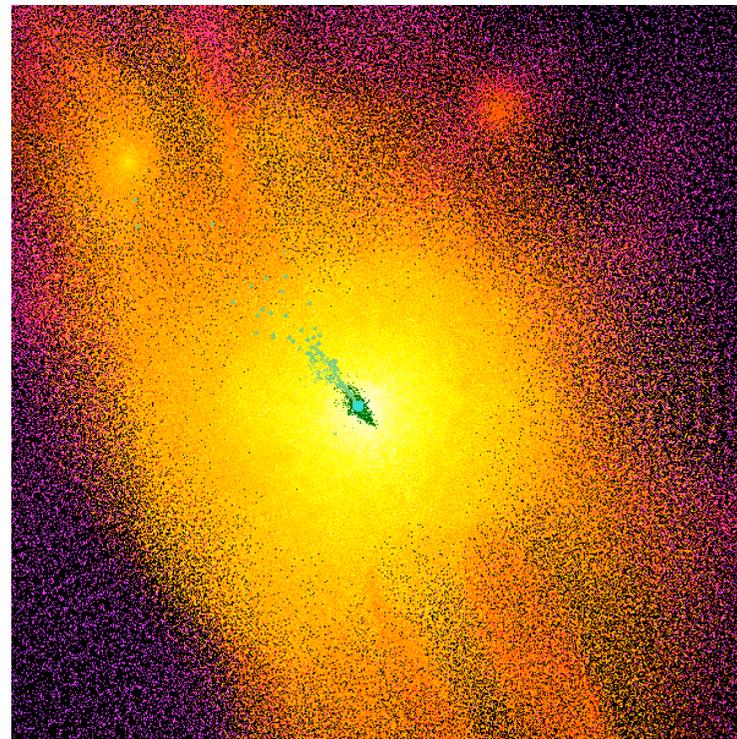
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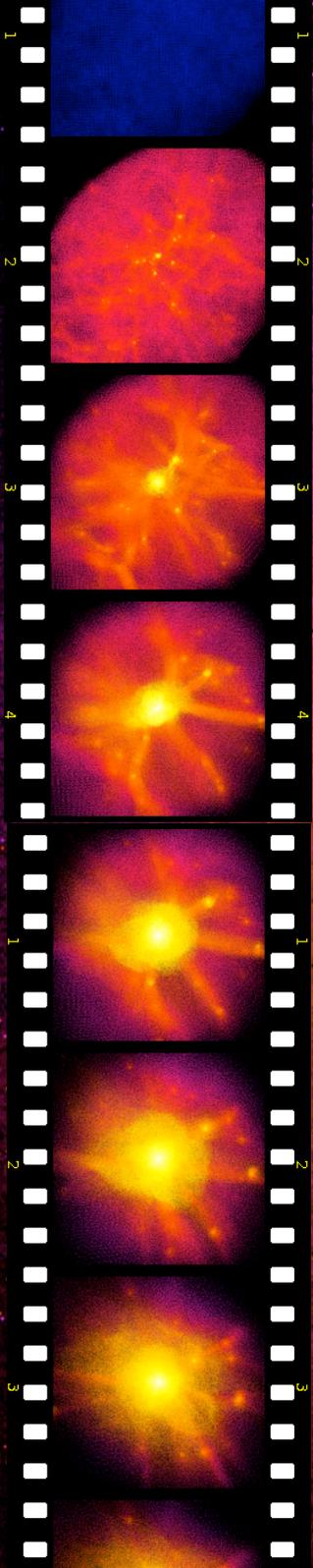
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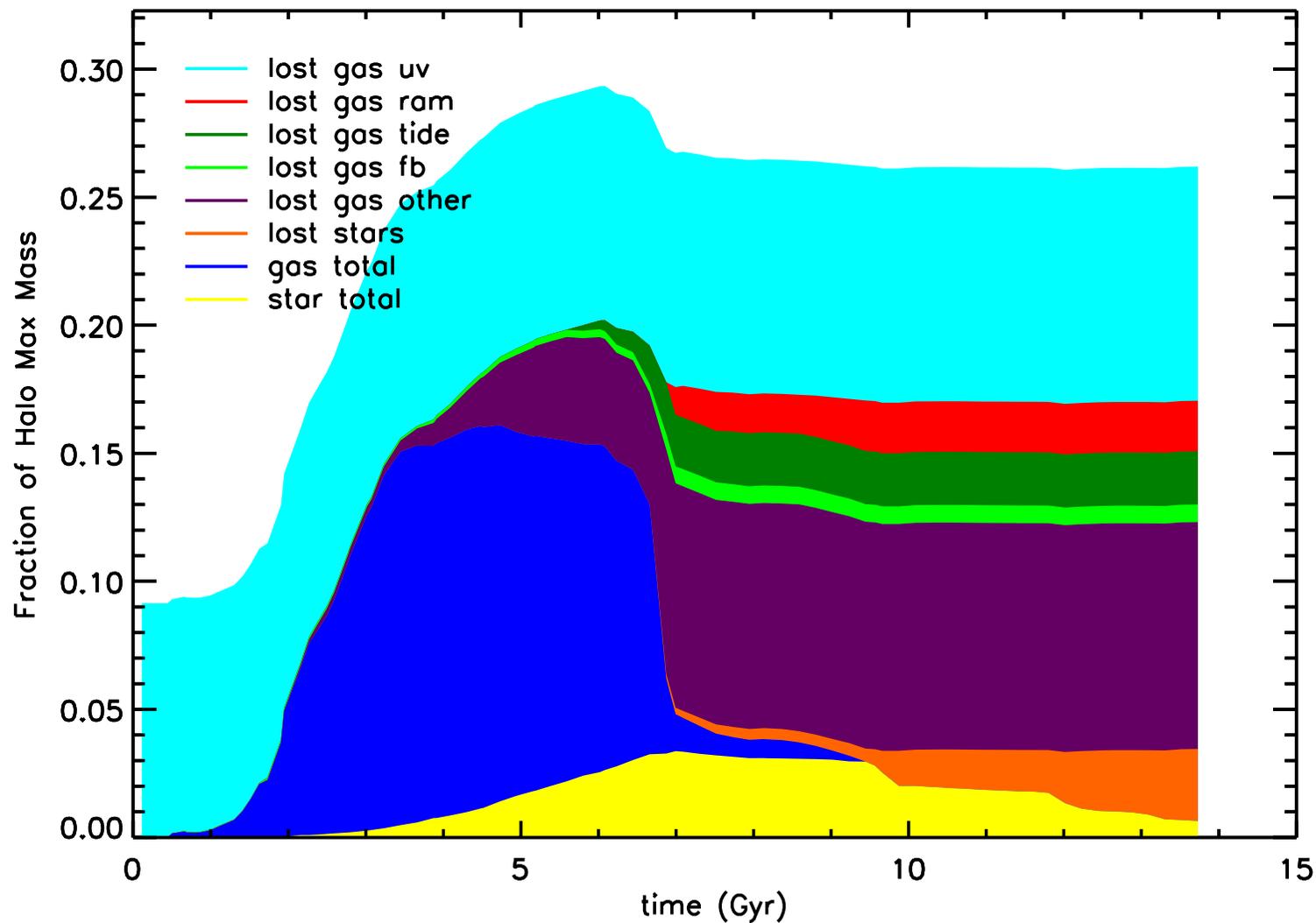
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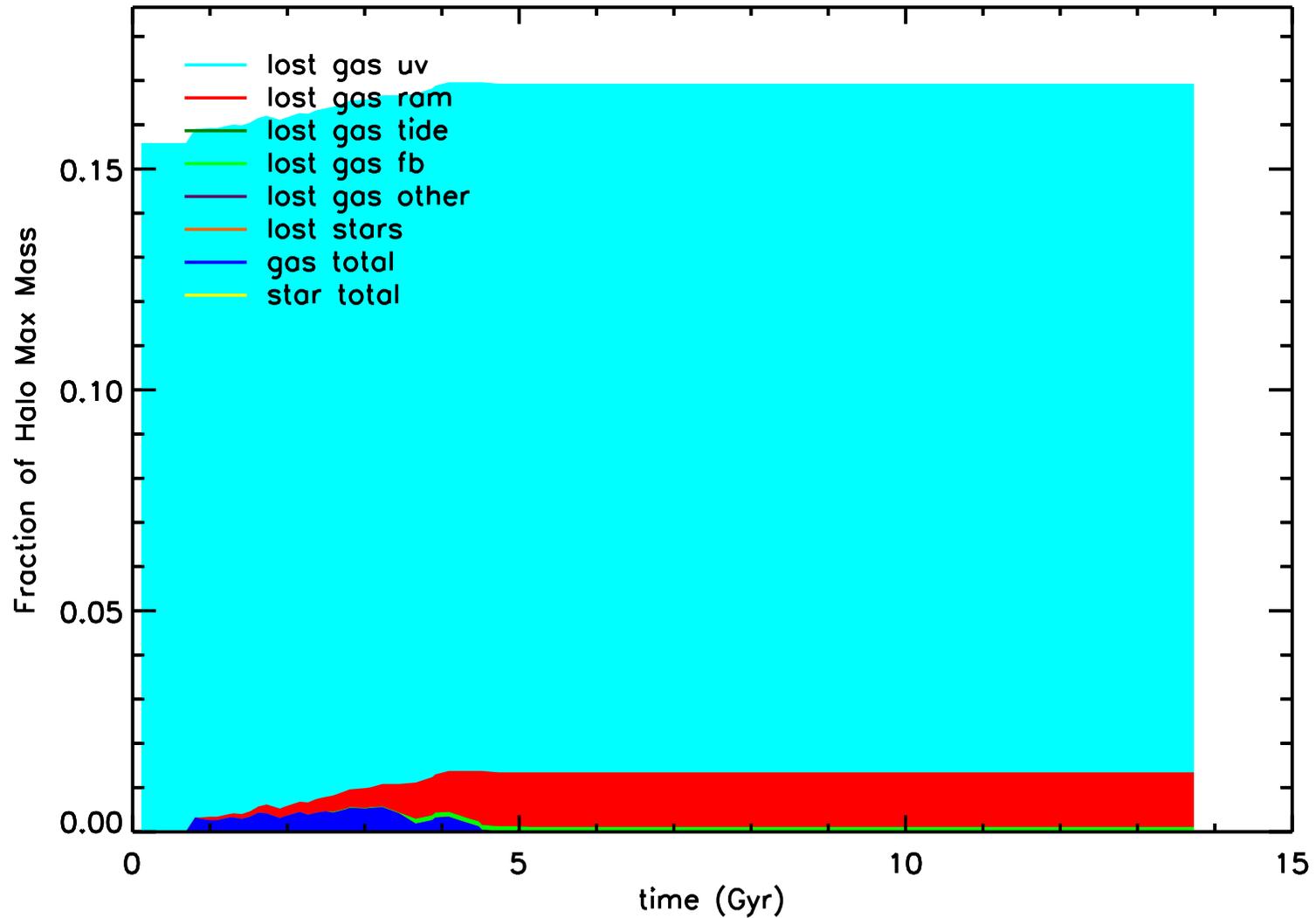




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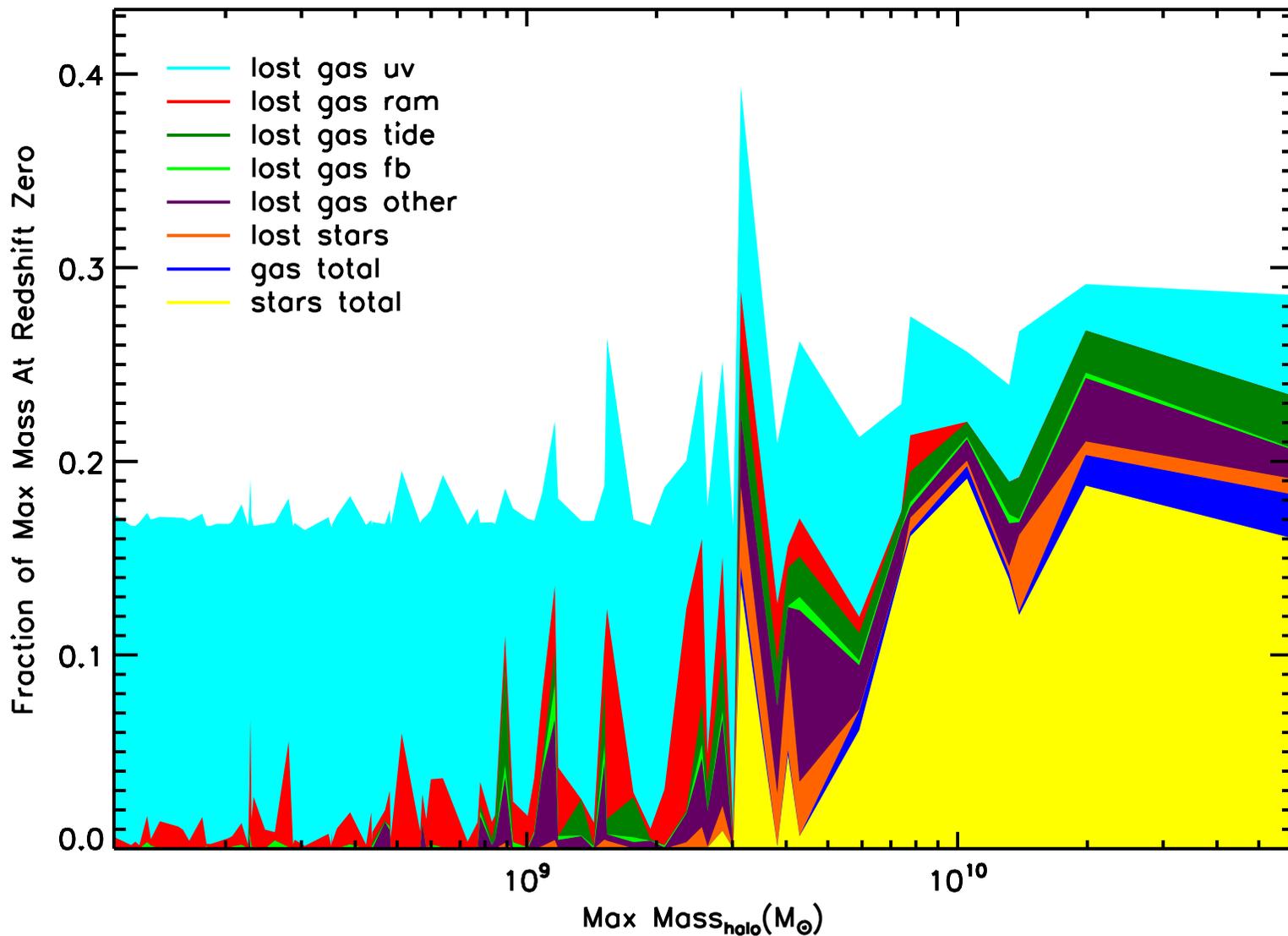


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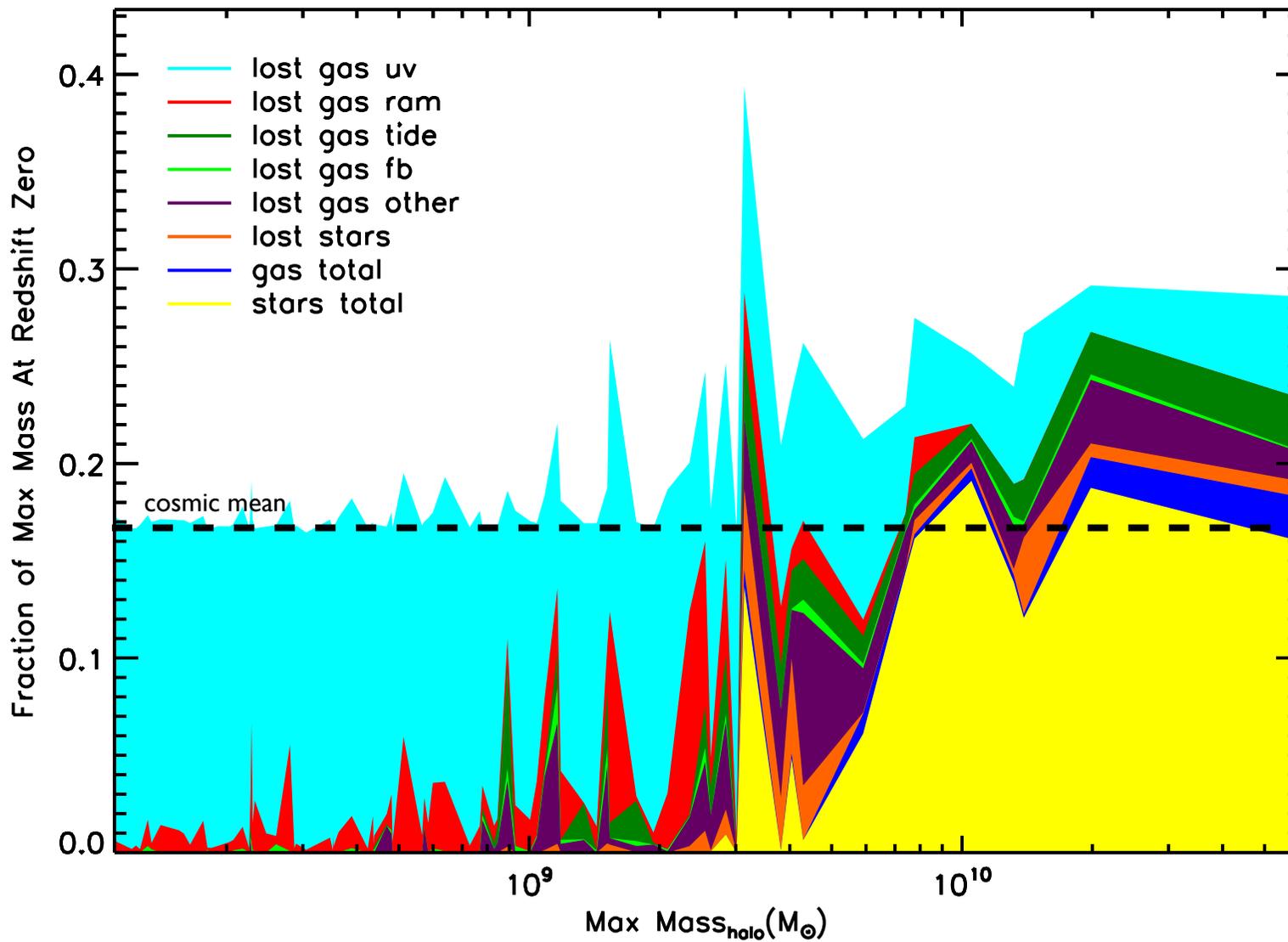
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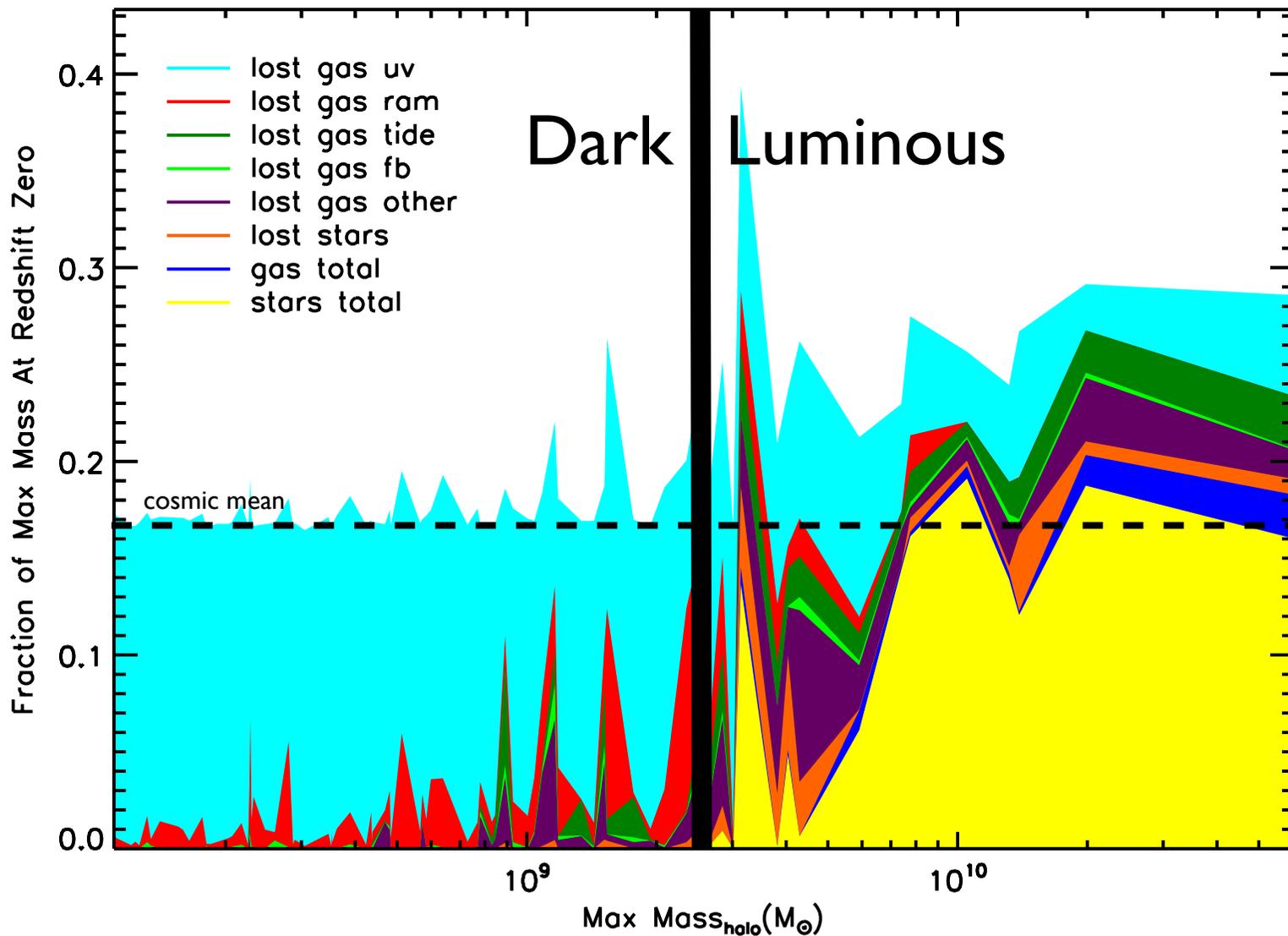
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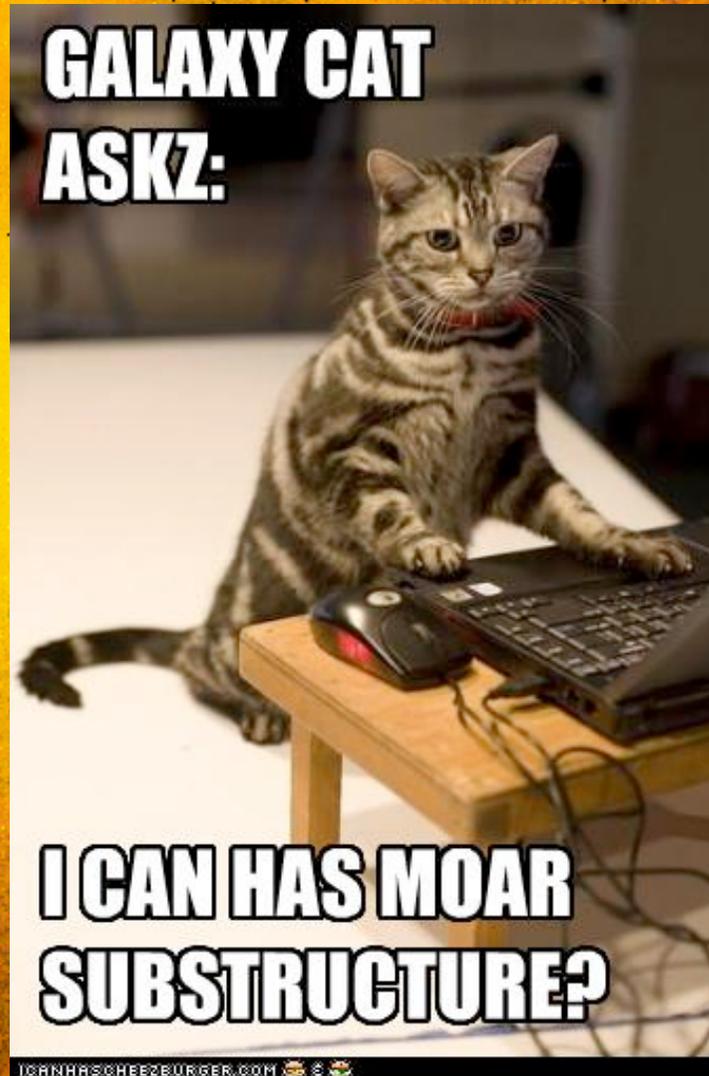
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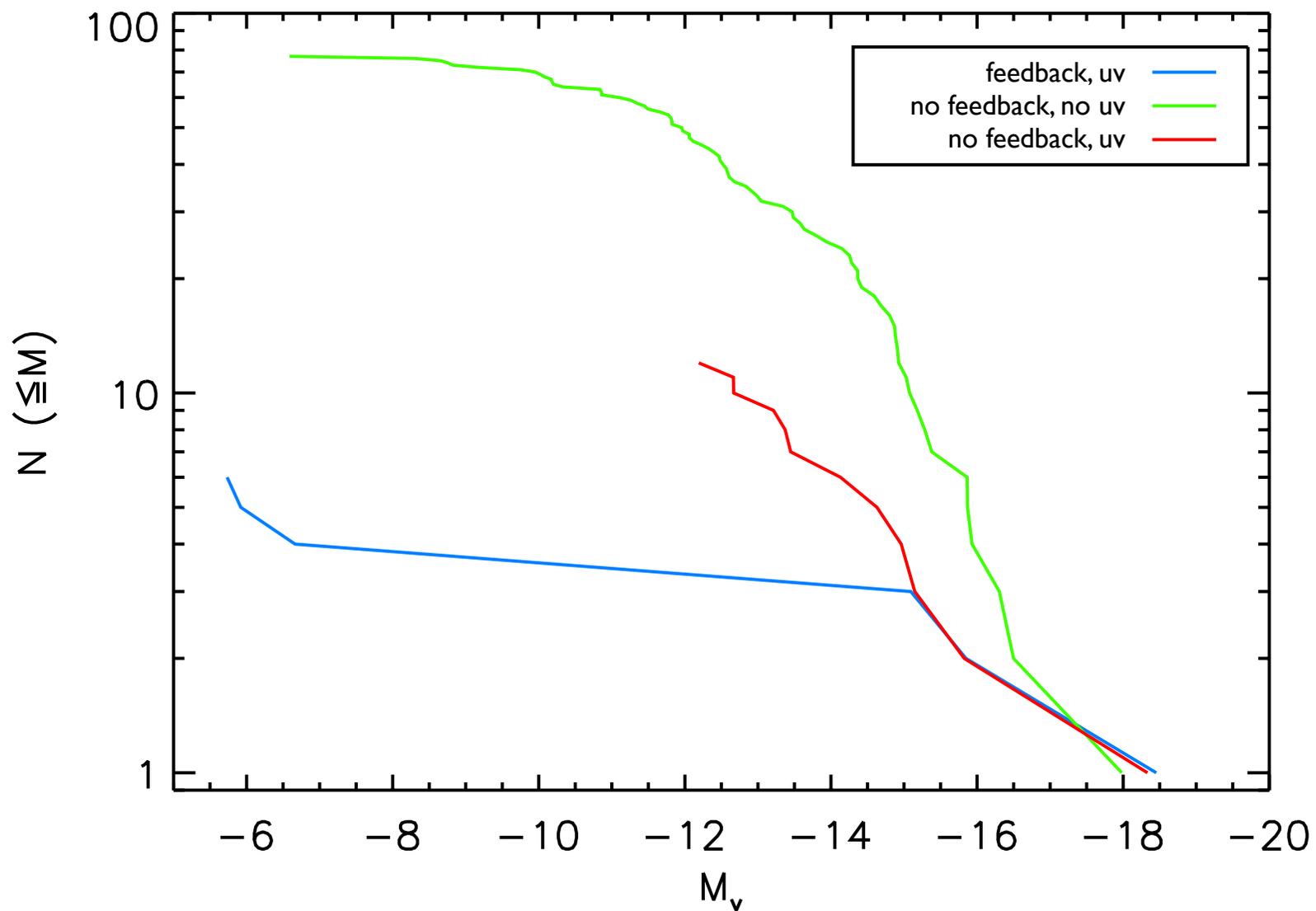
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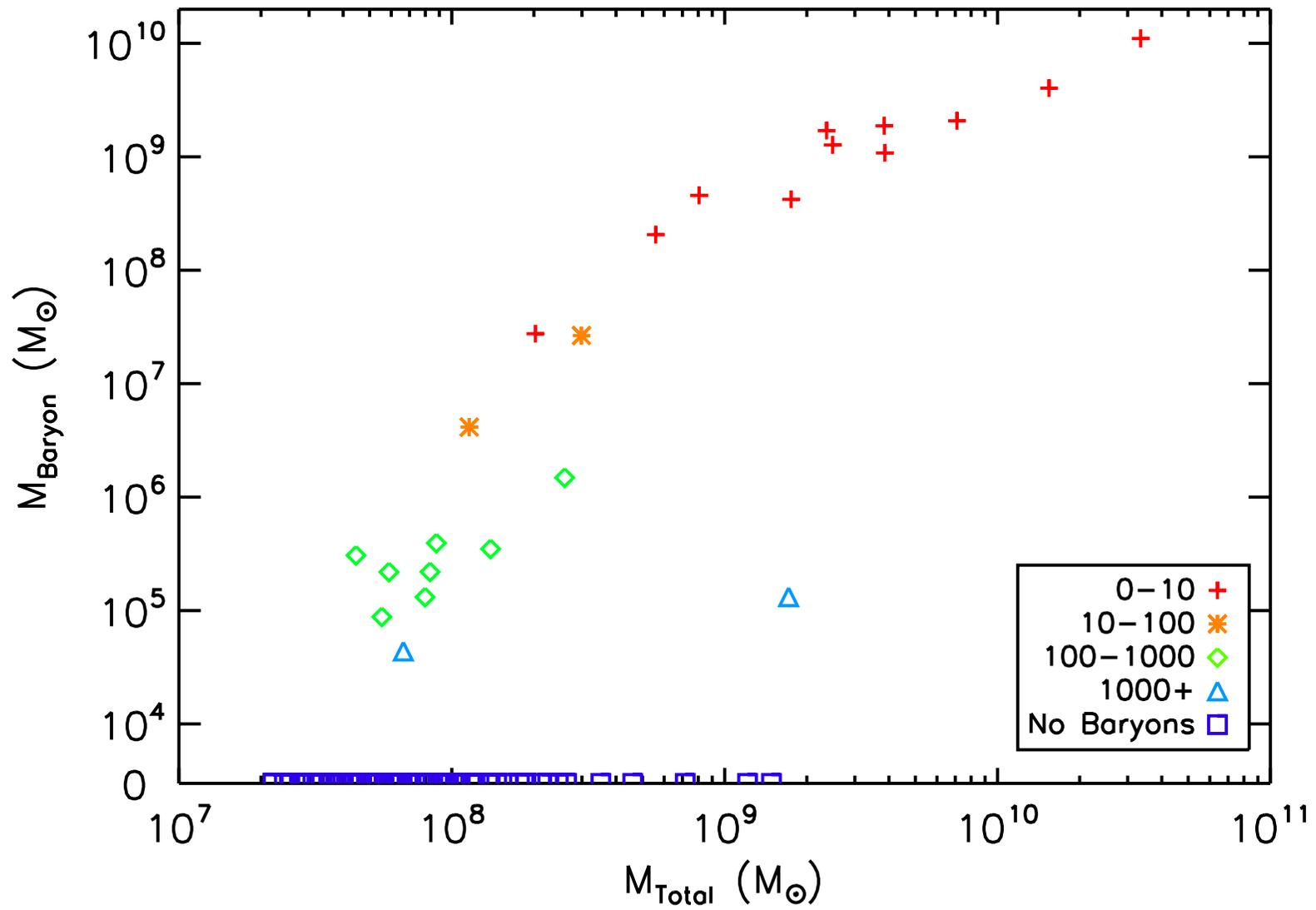
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# Thank You!

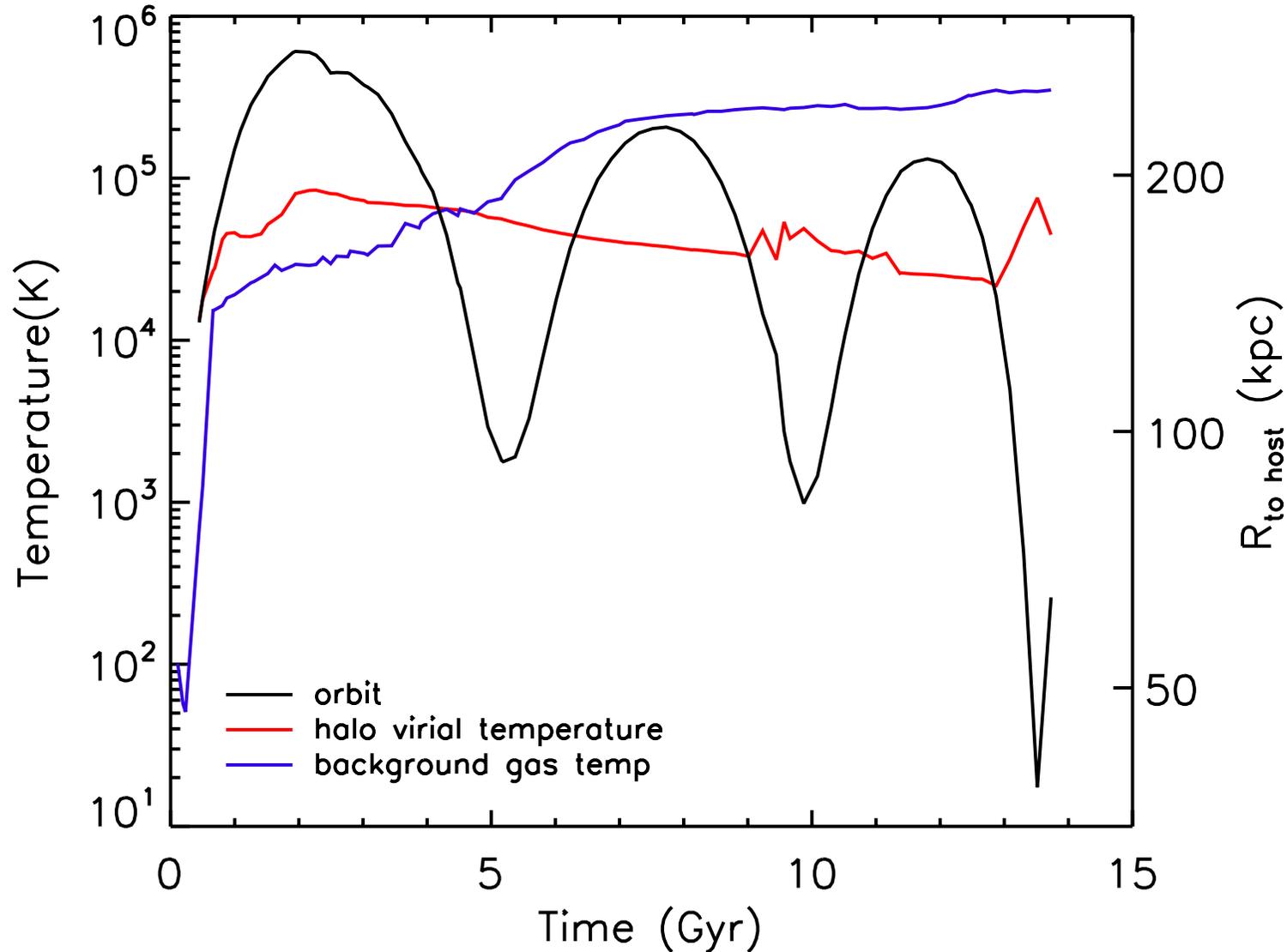


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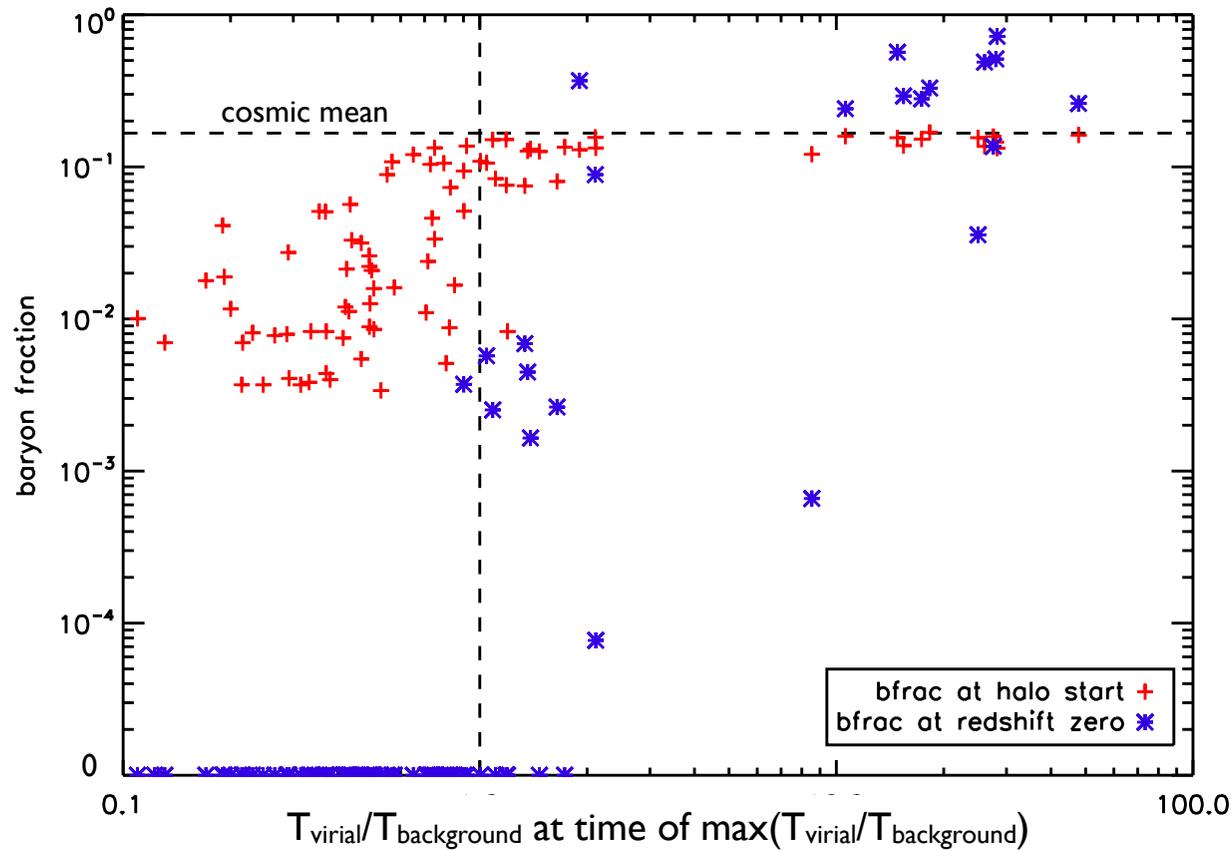




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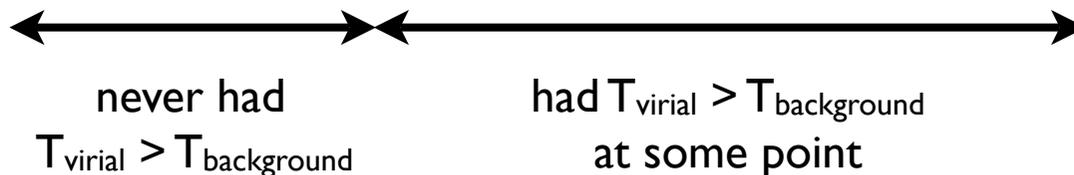


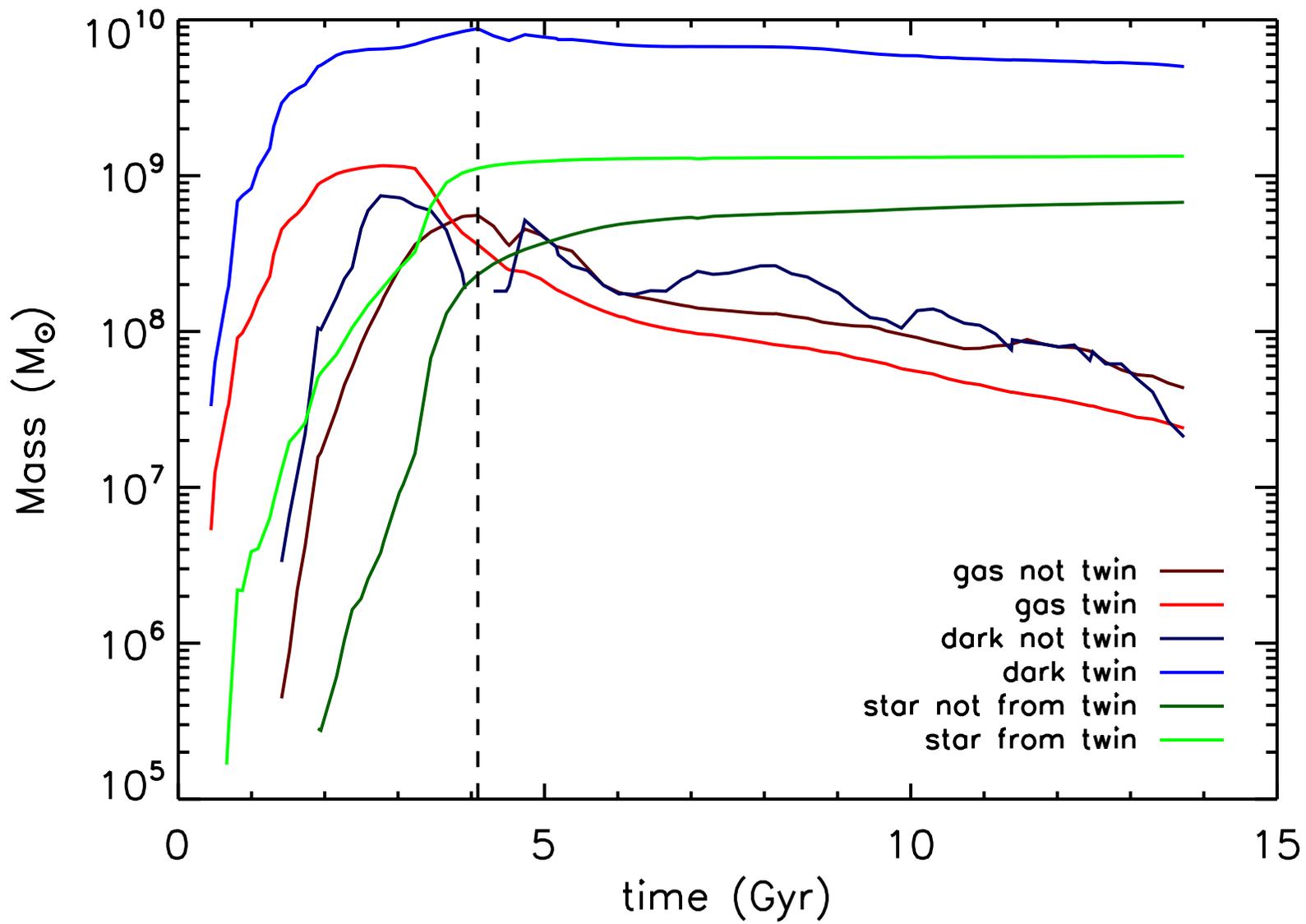
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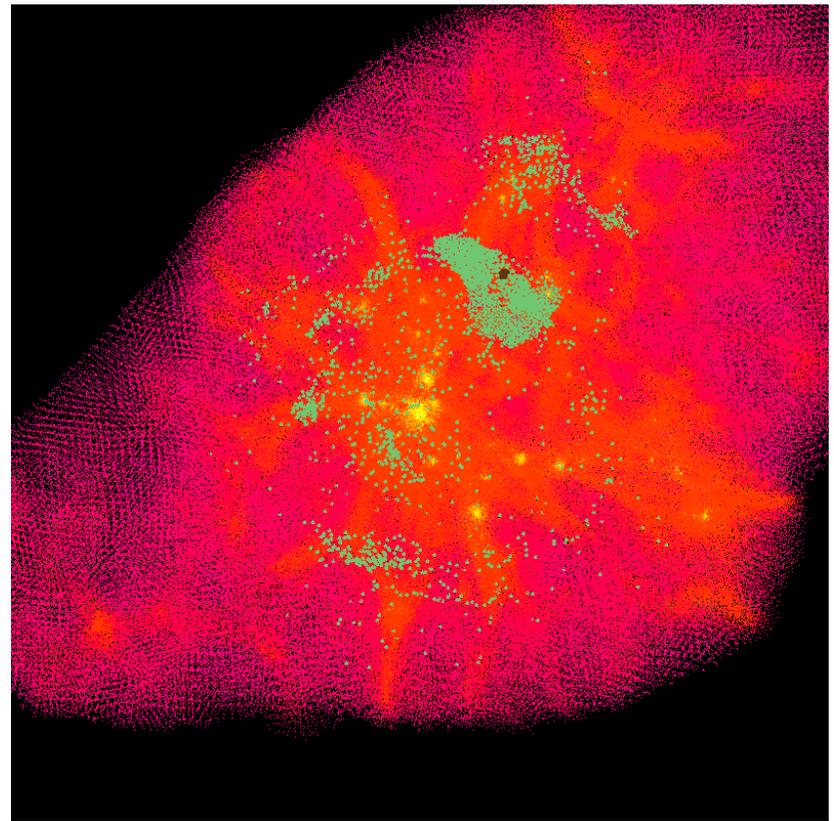
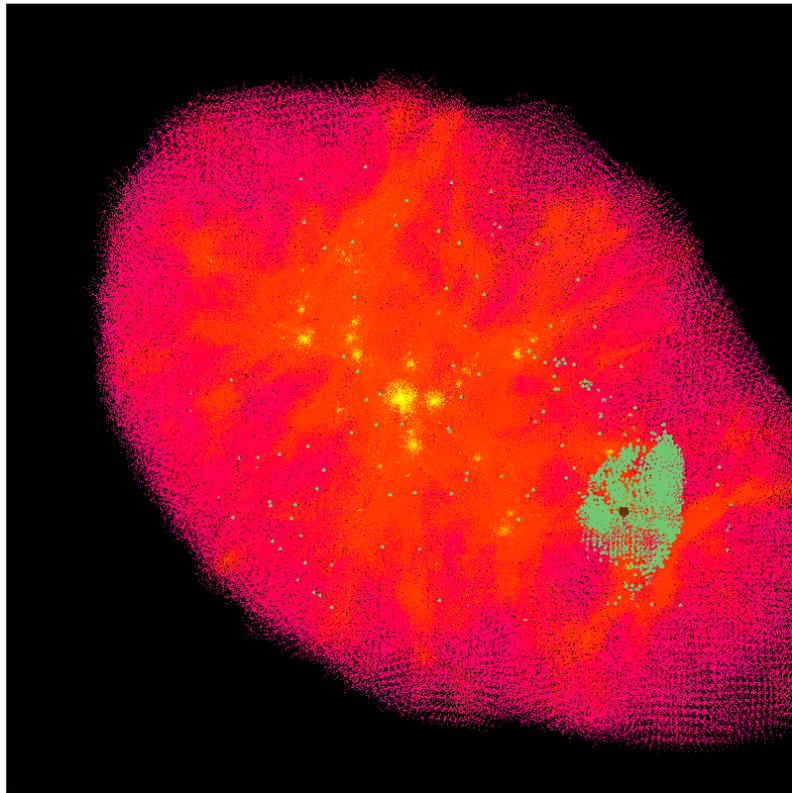


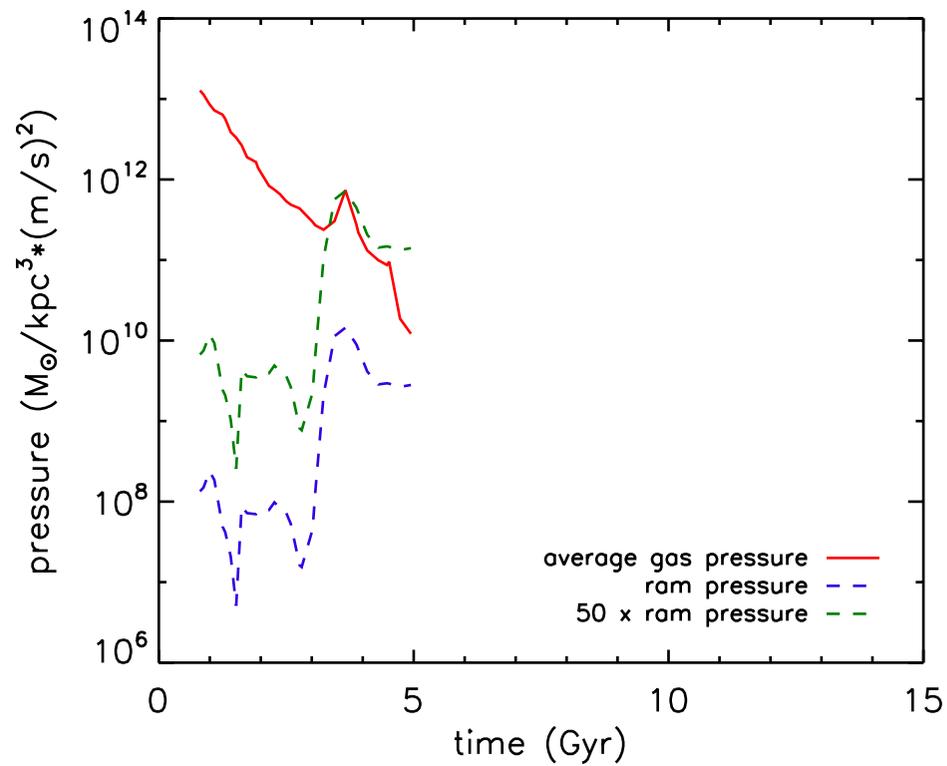
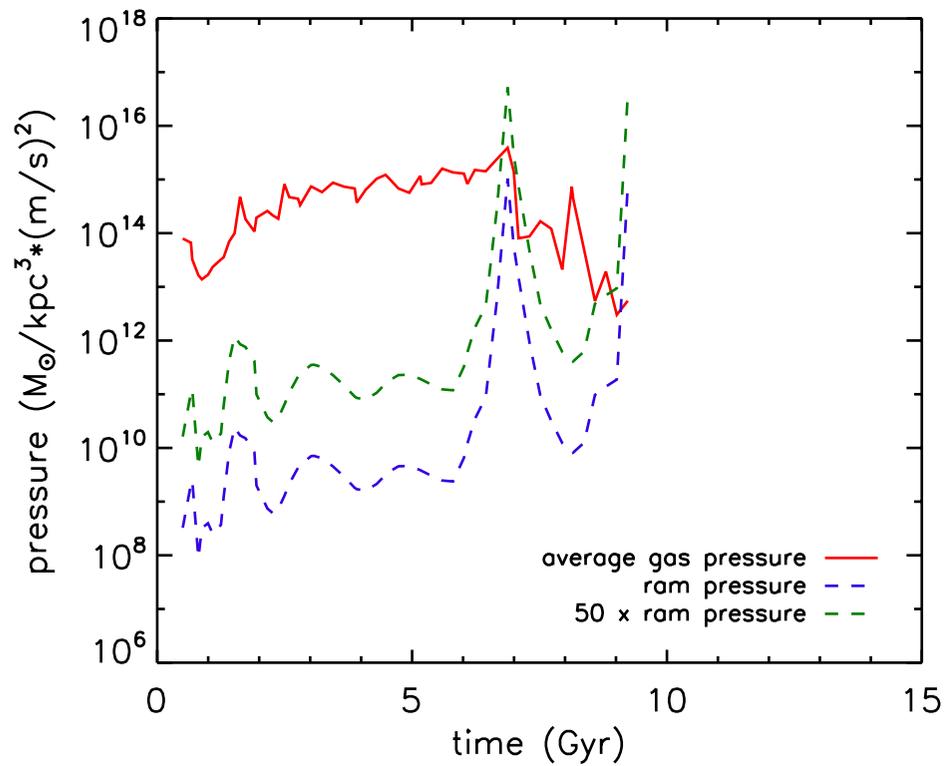
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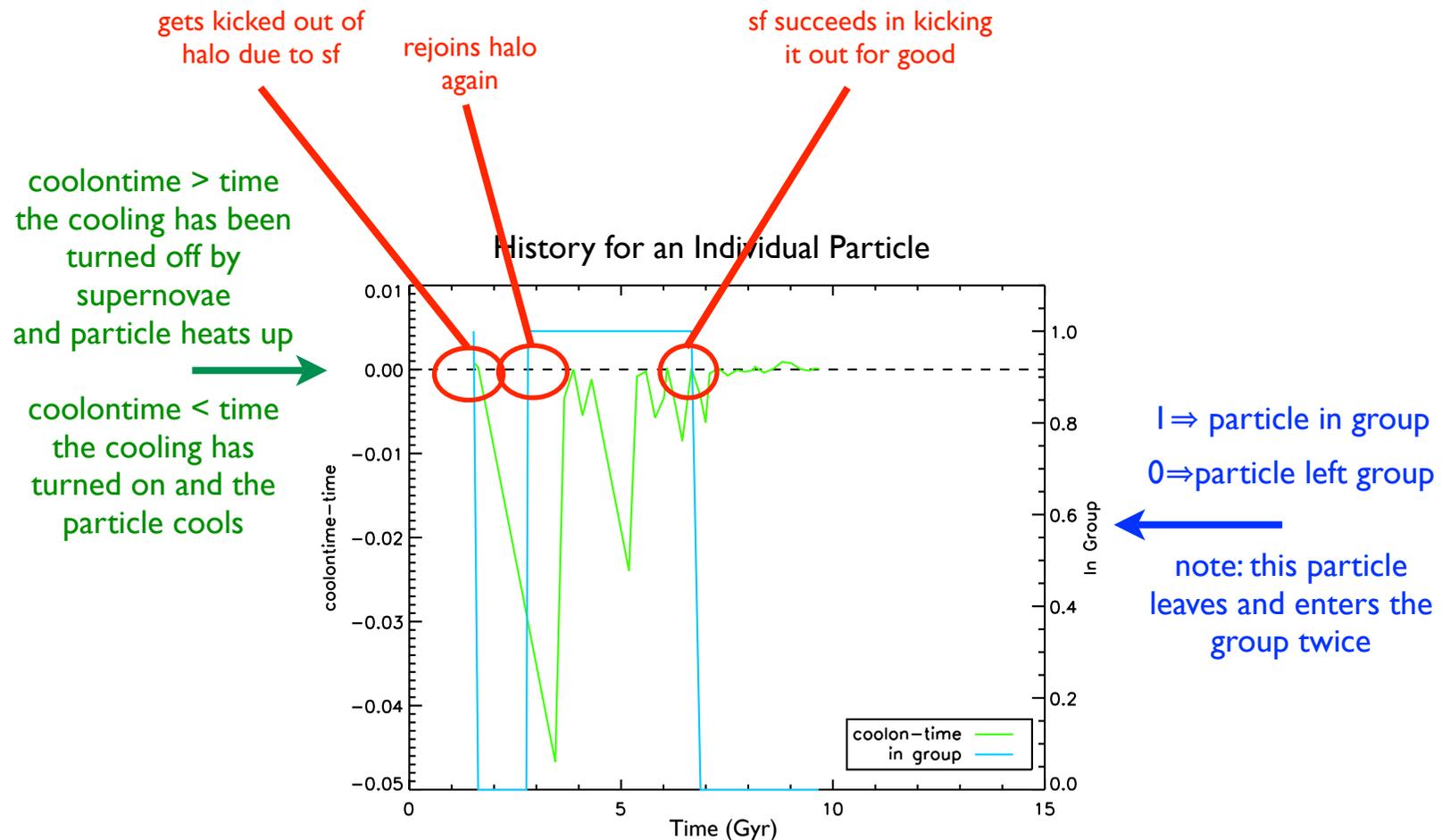






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Within the virial radius at  $z=0$  for g15784 (the focus of my work):

	individual particle mass ( $M_{\odot}$ )	total particles	total mass ( $M_{\odot}$ )
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stars	$\sim 10^5$	$2.4 \times 10^6$	$1.1 \times 10^{11}$
gas	$\sim 10^5$	$4.8 \times 10^5$	$1.1 \times 10^{11}$
total	N/A	$\sim 4 \times 10^6$	$\sim 1.4 \times 10^{12}$

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# Analysis

- To find substructure: Amiga Halo Finder
  - adaptive mesh refinement code
  - hierarchical gridding
- To find a subhalo's luminosity: Starburst 1999
  - For each star, use bi-linear interpolation of its age and metallicity from luminosity grid
  - Sum magnitude of all stars in subhalo

# UV Background

- Each gas particle is twinned from a dark matter particle in the virial radius
- Mark all dark matter in a satellites at its point of maximum gas, then identify its gas twin, i.e. background gas
- The escape temperature for a satellite (what a particle needs to overcome the potential well)

$$T_{virial} = \frac{2G\mu m_p M_{halo}}{3kR_{halo}}$$

- If  $T_{virial} < T_{background}$ , satellite never accumulates much gas
- Define uv loss as as the twinned gas that never entered the satellite

# Ram Pressure and Tidal Stripping

- Tidal stripping

$$\frac{M_{satellite}(r)}{r^3} < \frac{2M_{host}}{R_{host}^3}$$

- Ram pressure stripping

$$P_{ram} \sim \rho_{IGM} v_{halo}^2 > \frac{\sigma_{halo}^2 \rho_{gas}}{3}$$

# Future Work

- Too many lost gas particles in the “other” category: need to re-examine criterion
- Stellar feedback an surprisingly weaker than expected
- Look at the satellites in more galaxies within the MUGS suite