

Tomography of the Intergalactic and Circumgalactic Medium with the E-ELT

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IGM/CGM tomography with the E-ELT





to·mog·ra·phy *noun* \tō-'mä-grə-fē\
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Definition of TOMOGRAPHY

: a method of producing a three-dimensional image of the internal structures of a solid object (as the human body or the earth) by the observation and recording of the differences in the effects on the passage of waves of energy impinging on those structures — compare [COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY](#)

— **to·mo·graph·ic** *adjective*

Origin of TOMOGRAPHY

Greek *tomos* section + International Scientific Vocabulary -
graphy — more at [TOME](#)

First Known Use: 1935

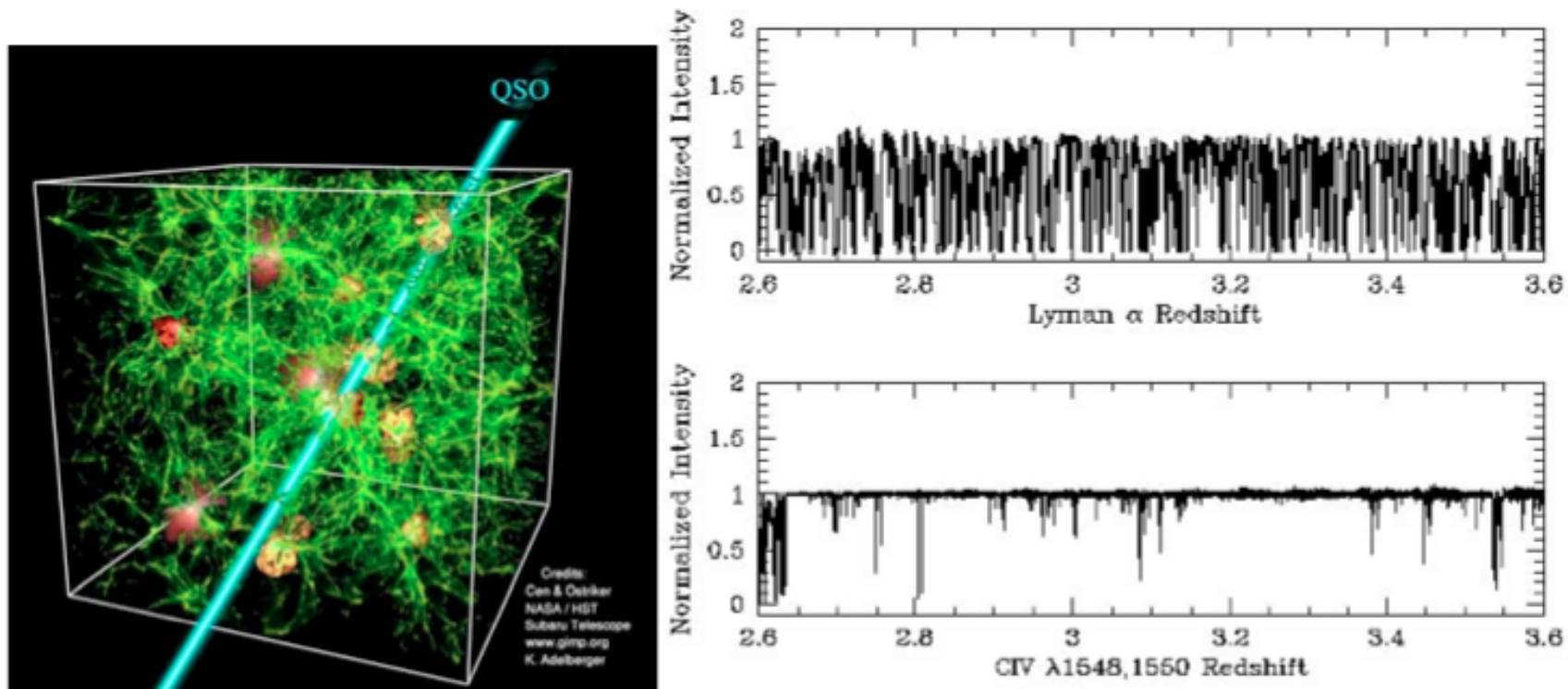
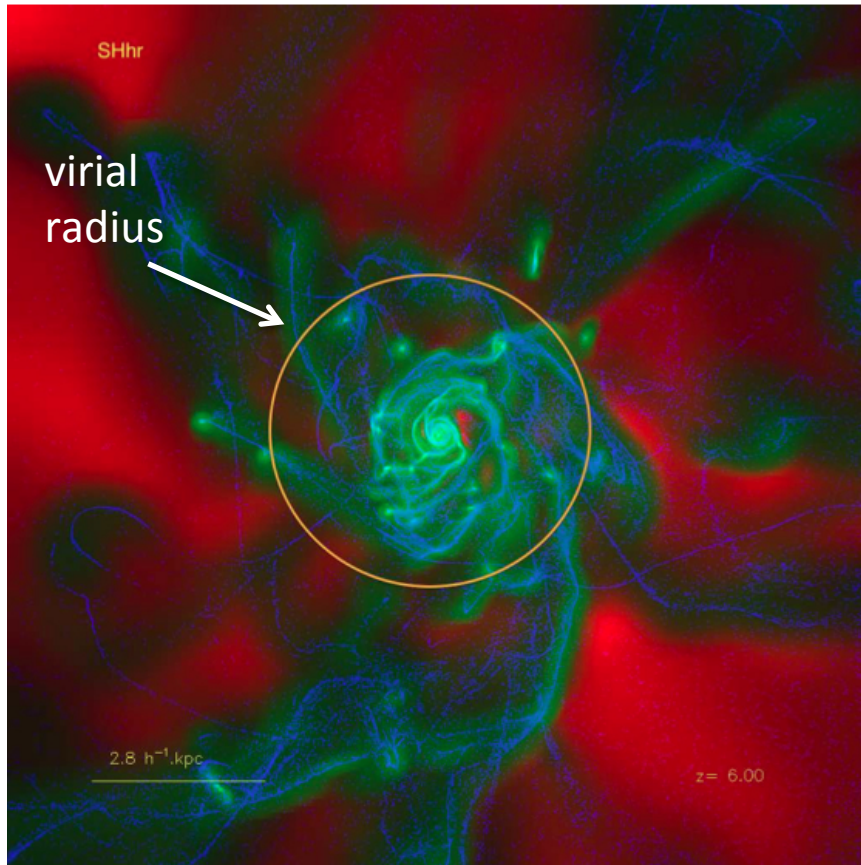


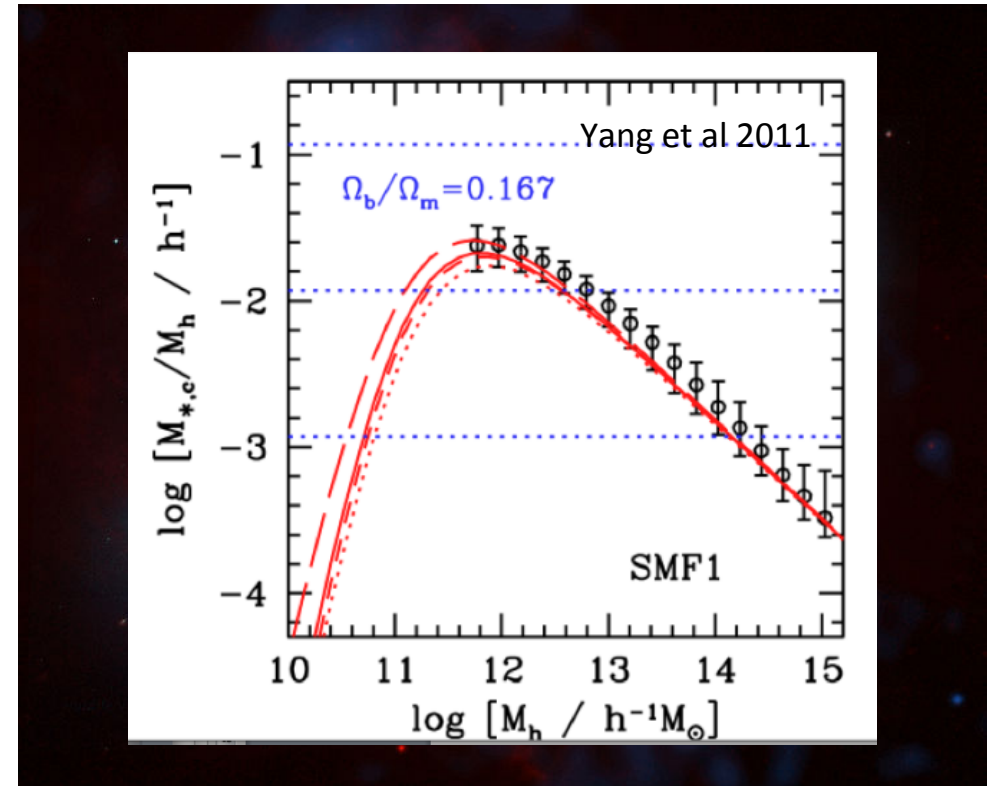
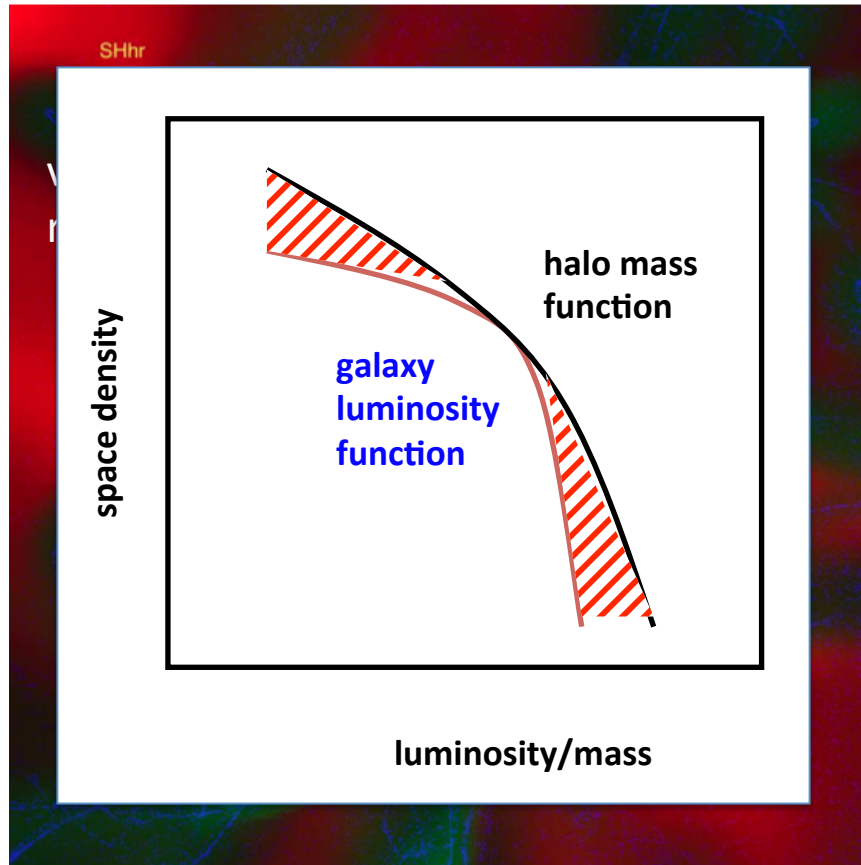
Figure 5-11. The “cosmic web” of the baryon distribution in a cosmological simulation. Here, HI in the IGM traces the dark matter distribution even in regions with low density contrast. A line of sight through the volume yields a one-dimensional map of both the HI and metallic species along the line of sight, as shown in the right-hand panel. Regions disturbed by galaxy formation processes are schematically indicated. In such regions, sightline probes will reveal the extent to which galaxies alter the physical state of the IGM: their sphere of influence, mass outflow, ionization effects, deposition of mechanical energy, etc. Densely sampled sightlines through a survey volume, together with detailed maps of the galaxy distribution, will provide unprecedented views of the distribution of baryons in the Universe, and their relation to the sites of galaxy formation.

The baryonic lifecycle of galaxies: Inflows vs Outflows



Cold flows. Galactic Winds. Metal Enrichment.

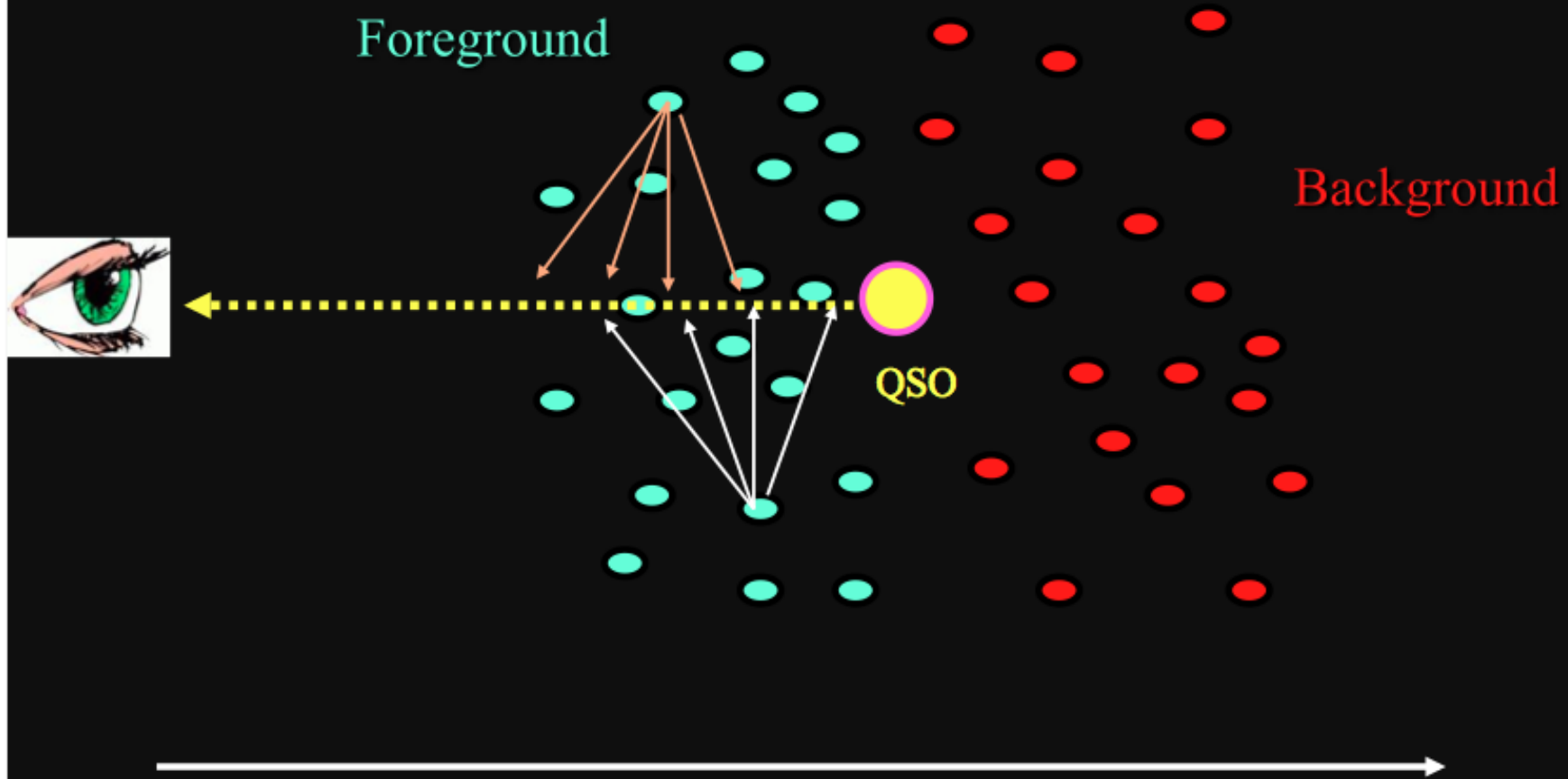
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Densely Sampling the Universe @ $z\sim 1.8-3.2$

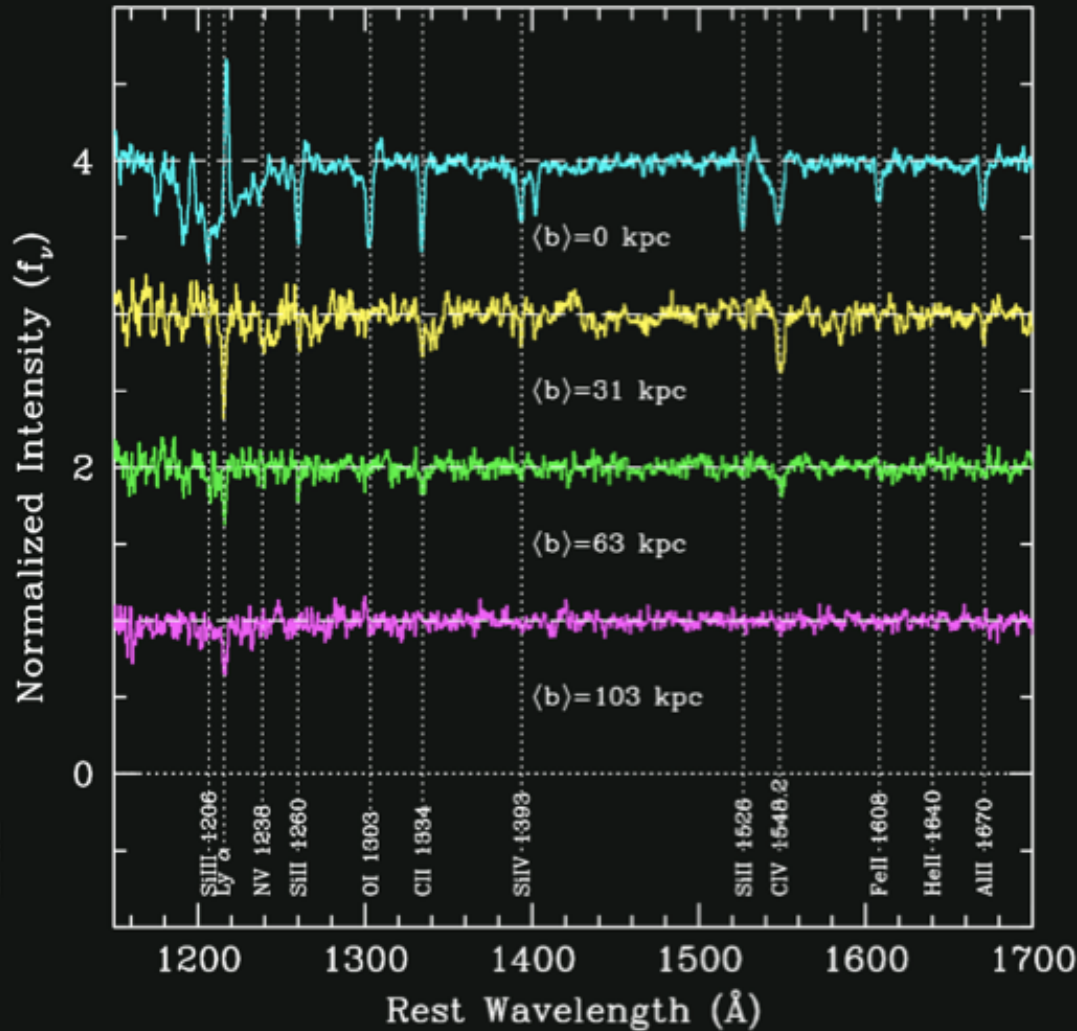
(previous work: Adelberger+03,05; see also Bielby+11, Crighton+11)



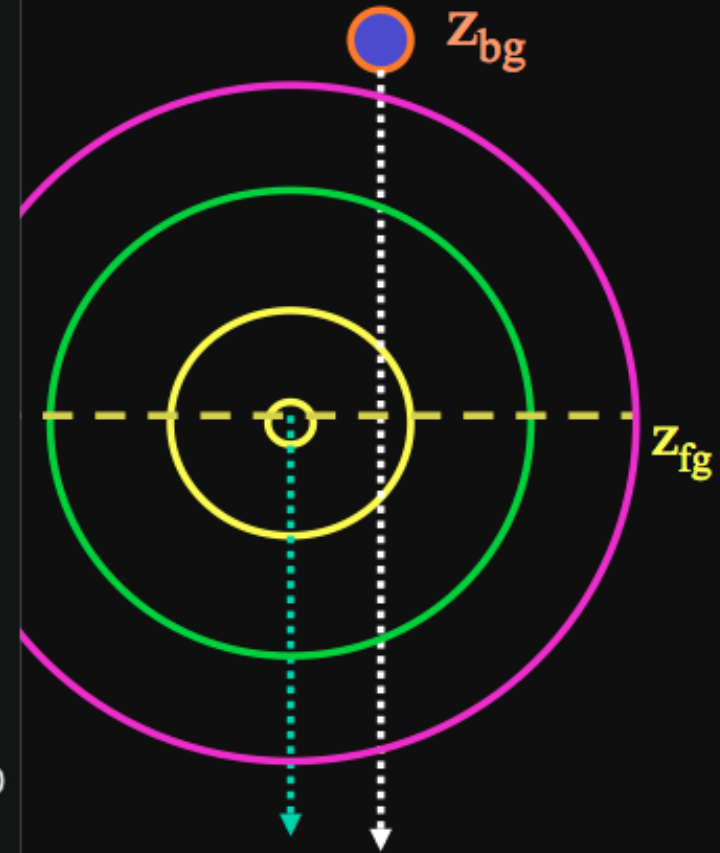
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Galaxy Pair Composite Spectra



- 50 pairs 1-5'' ($\langle d \rangle = 30$ kpc)
- 190 pairs 5-10'' ($\langle d \rangle = 70$ kpc)
- 305 pairs 10-15'' ($\langle d \rangle = 100$ kpc)

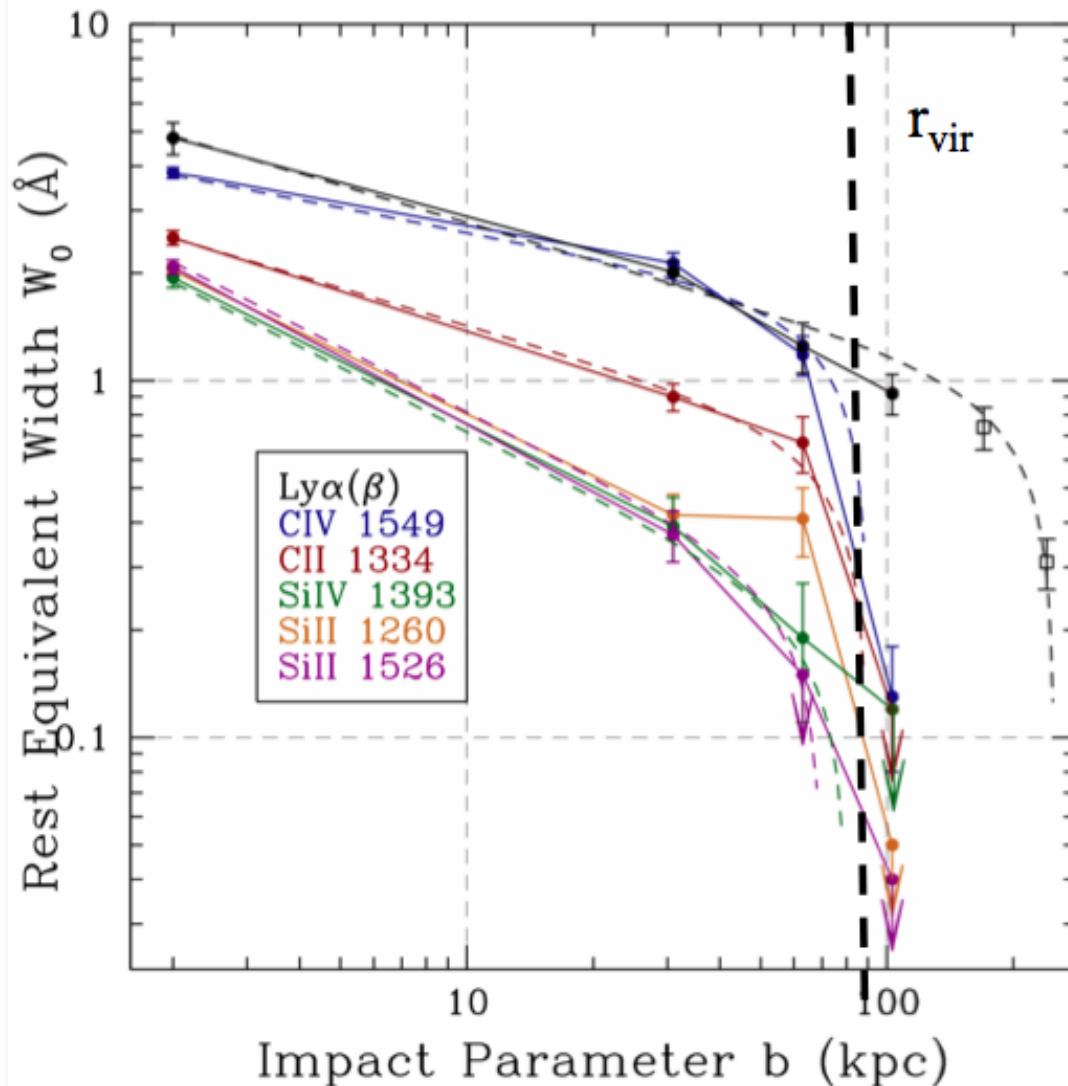


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W_0 vs. Galaxy Impact Parameter, $z \sim 2-3$ LBGs



Models:

TABLE 5
 W_0 vs. b MODEL PARAMETERS^a

Line	γ^b	R_{eff} (kpc)	v_{out}	$f_{c,\text{max}}^c$
Ly α (1216)	0.37	250	820	0.80
C IV(1549)	0.23	80	800	0.35/0.25 ^d
C II(1334)	0.35	90	650	0.52
Si II(1526)	0.60	70	750	0.40
Si IV(1393)	0.60	80	820	0.33

^a Parameters used to produce the model curves shown in Fig. 20

^b Power law exponent in the expression $f_c(r) = f_{c,\text{max}} r^{-\gamma}$

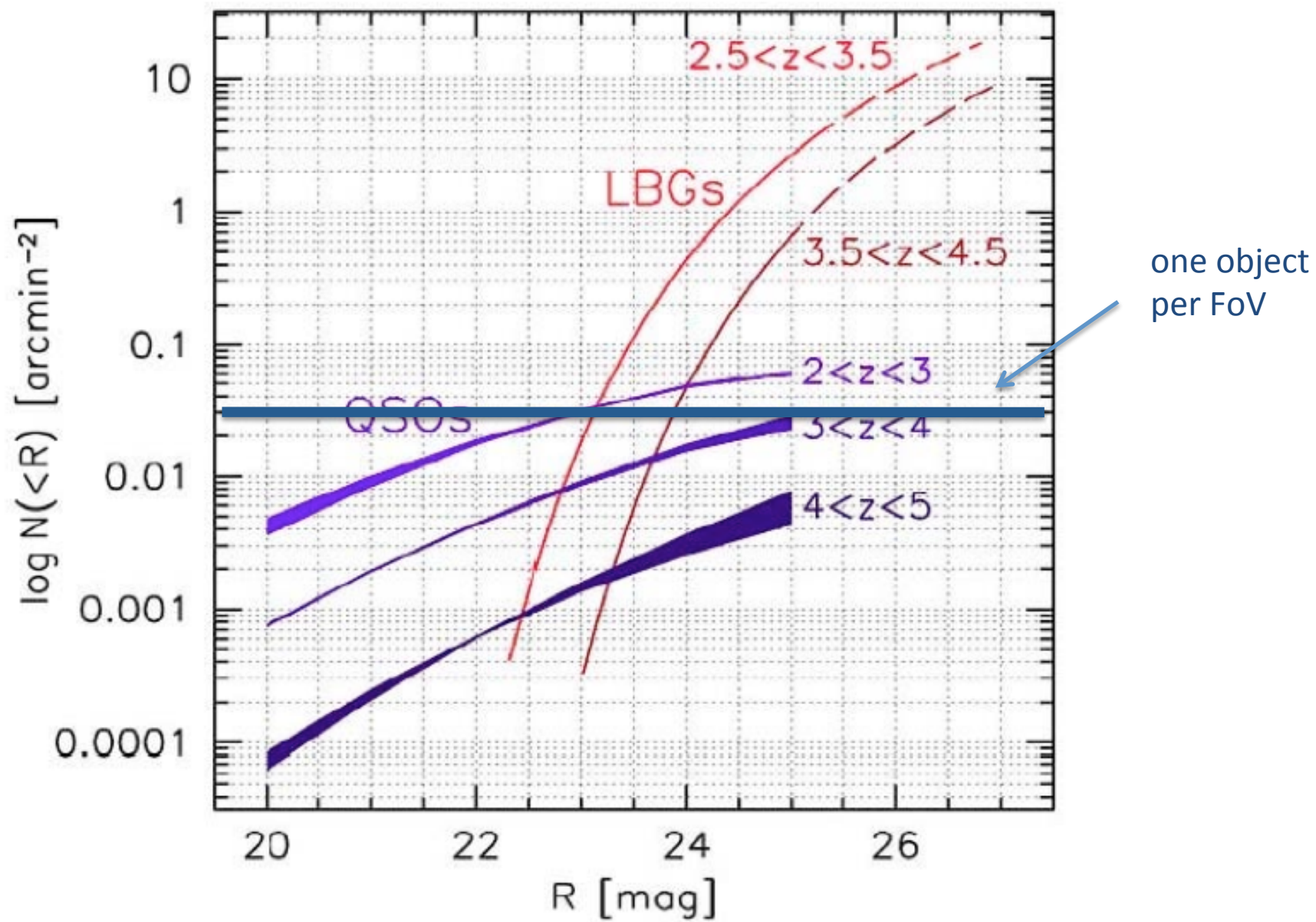
^c Maximum value of the covering fraction for each transition, measured from the composite spectrum (see Fig. 7)

^d Includes contributions from C IV $\lambda 1548$ and C IV $\lambda 1550$ of 0.35 and 0.25, respectively.

$$f_c(r) \sim r^{-\gamma}$$

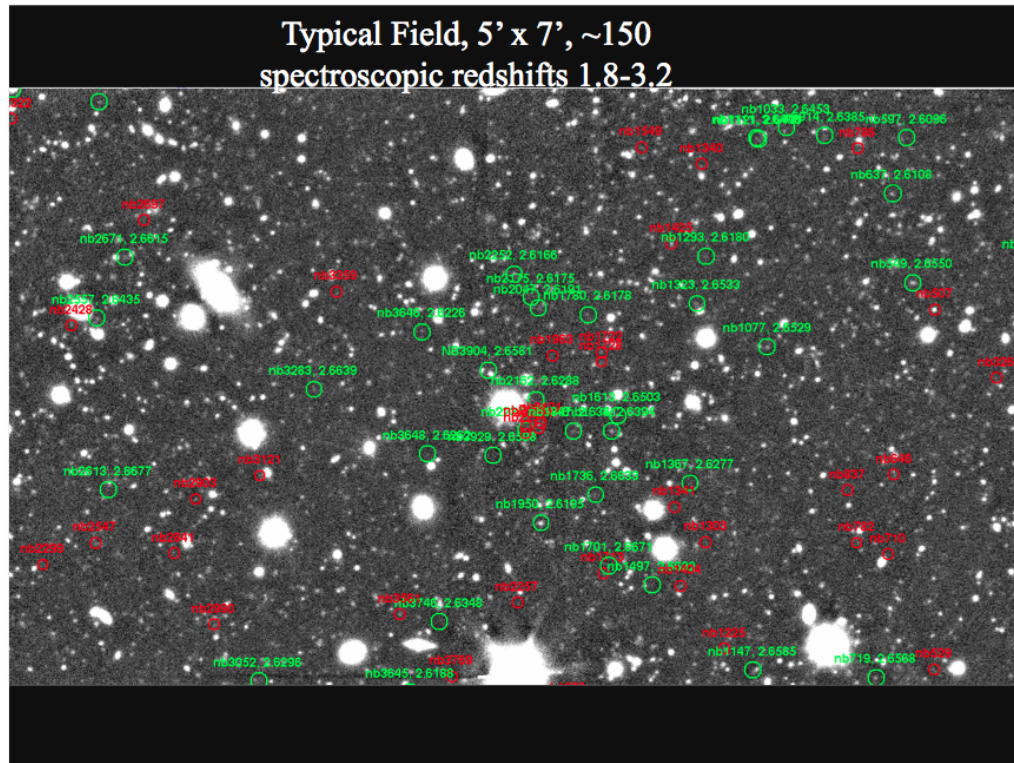
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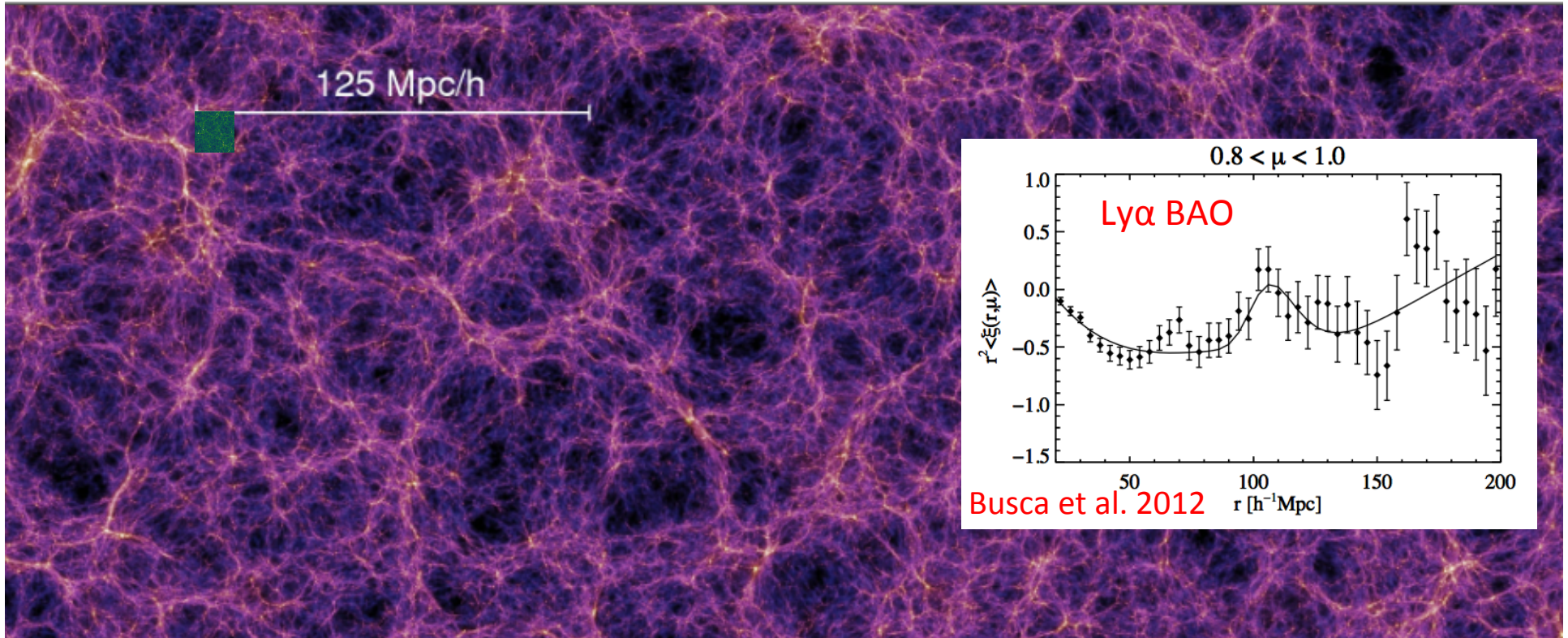


from TMT science case

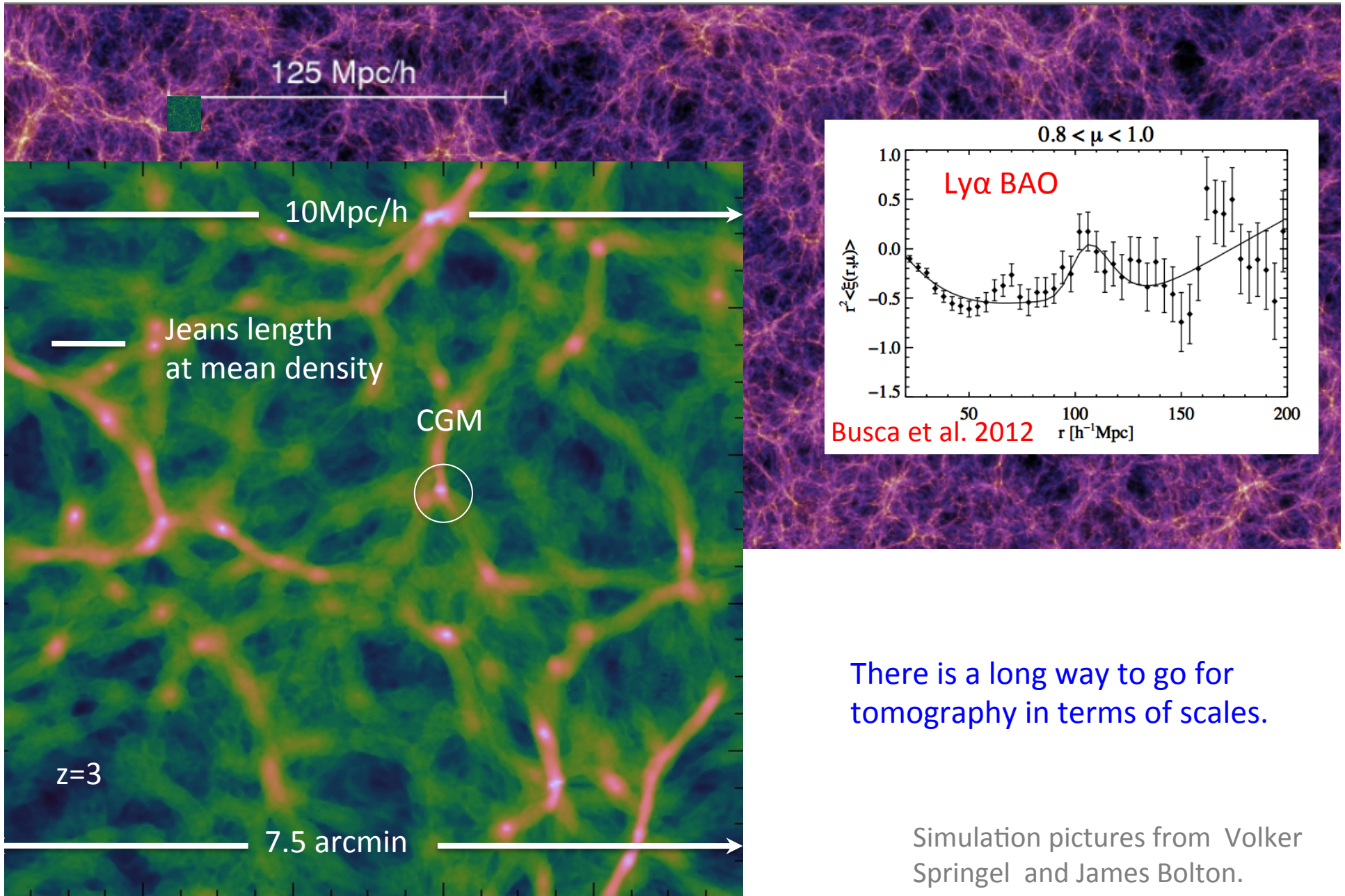
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- can do this in a single night
- can go three to four magnitudes deeper
- for E-ELT FoV multiplex >100 and resolution $R \leq 5000$ match very well



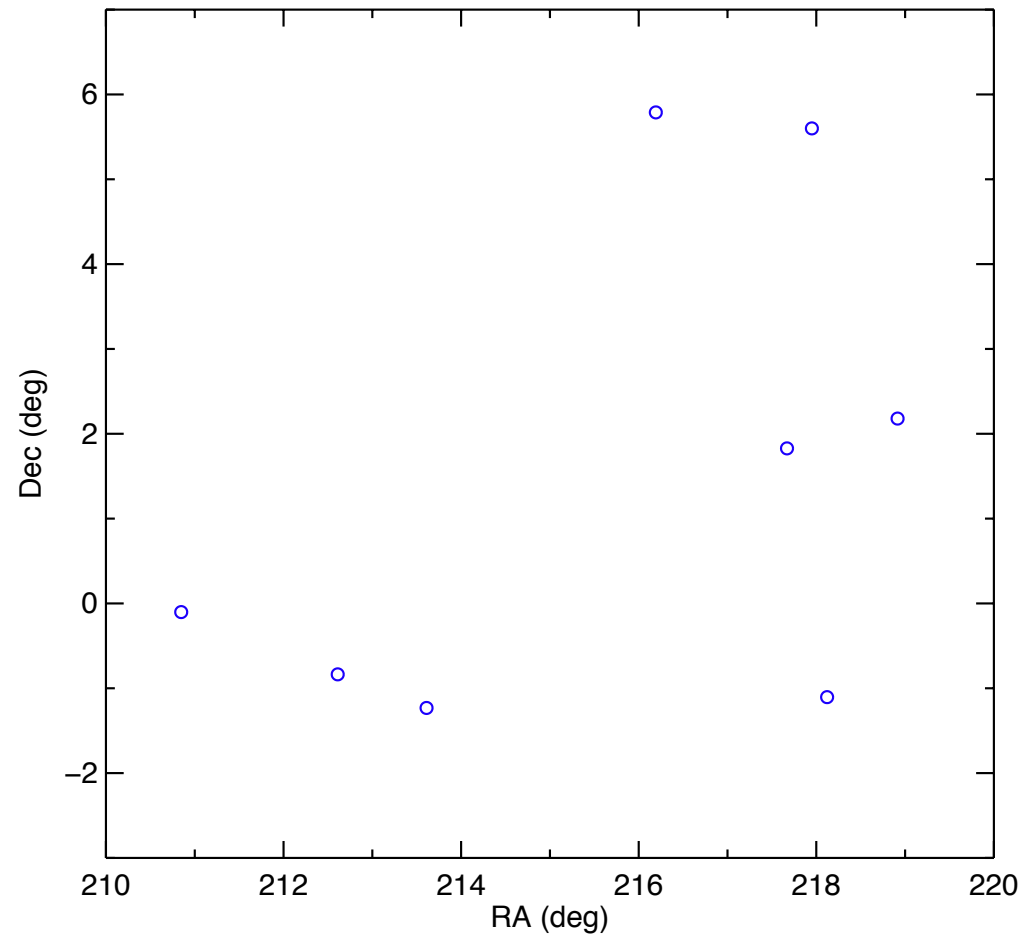
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There is a long way to go for tomography in terms of scales.

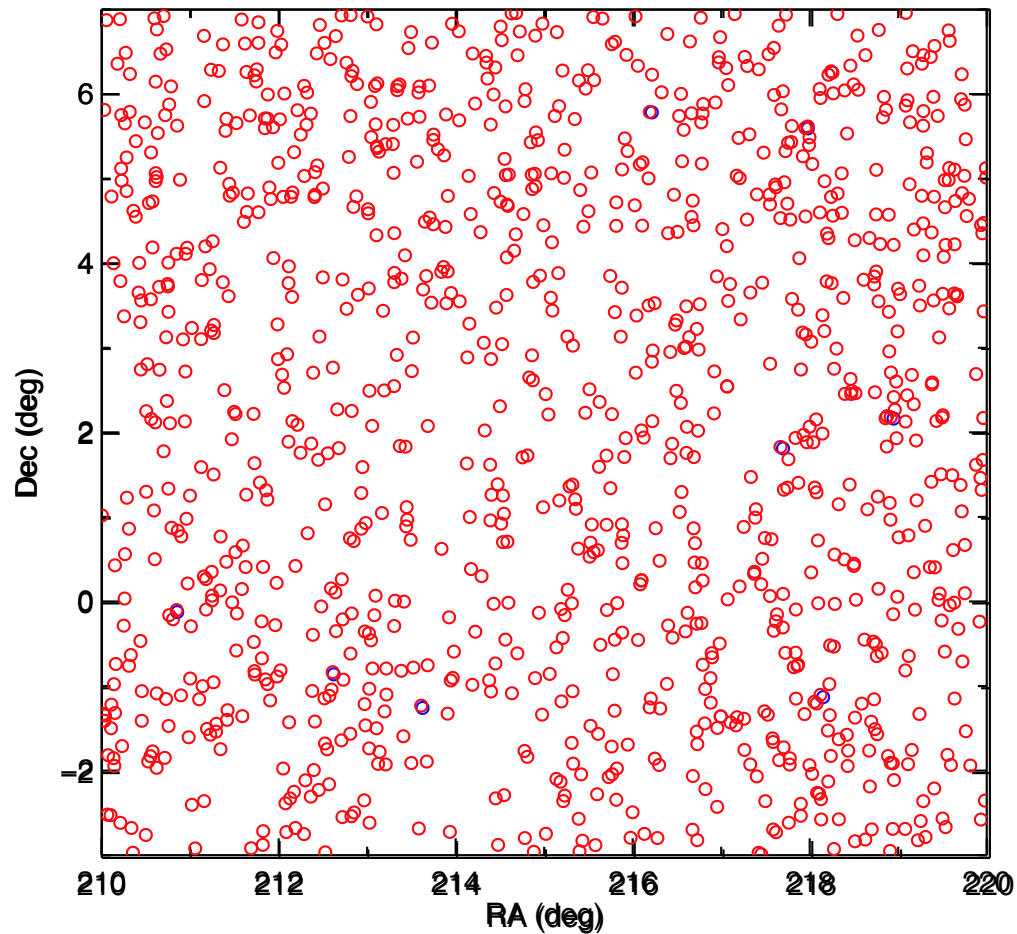
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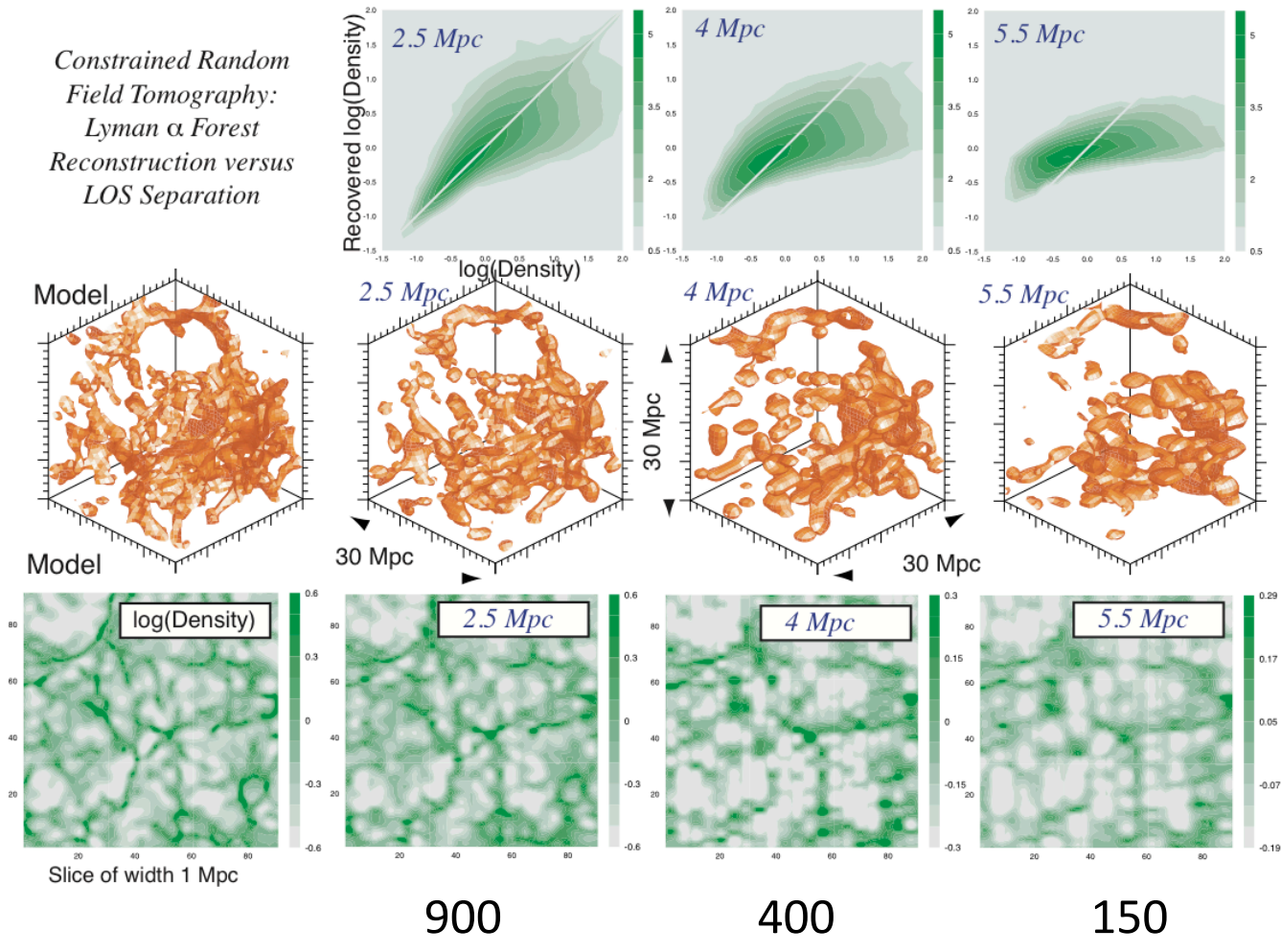


This is what moving
from 18th to 21st
magnitude buys you.

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Pichon et al. 2001

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Field Tomography:
Lyman α Forest
Reconstruction versus
LOS Separation*

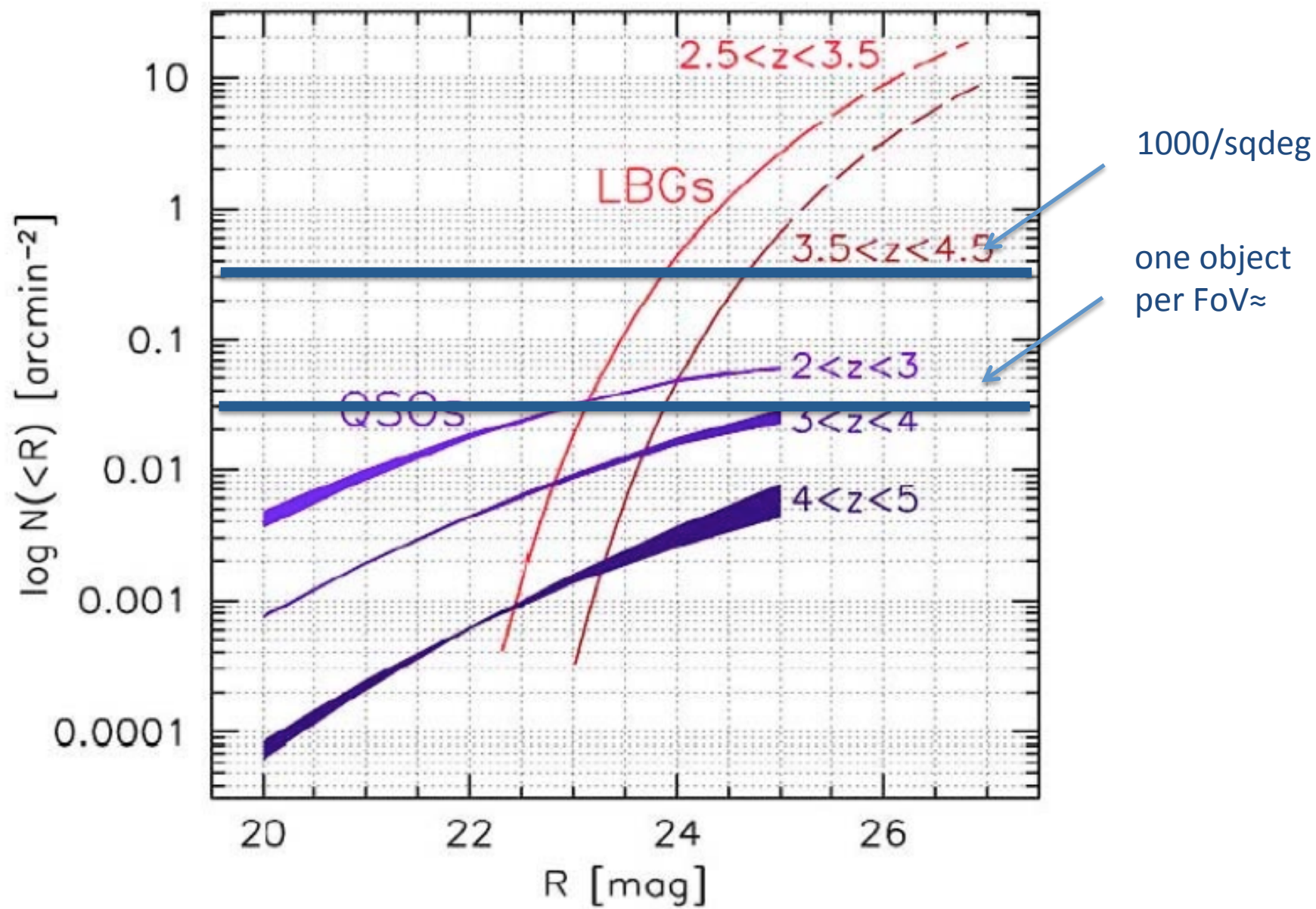


QSOs -> 100 / sqdeg not enough

With LBGs => Density field will be recovered

from Patrick Petitjean's
talk at Cambridge
EELT-HIRES meeting

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Ly α -Tomography of the Intergalactic Medium with the E-ELT

Resolution:

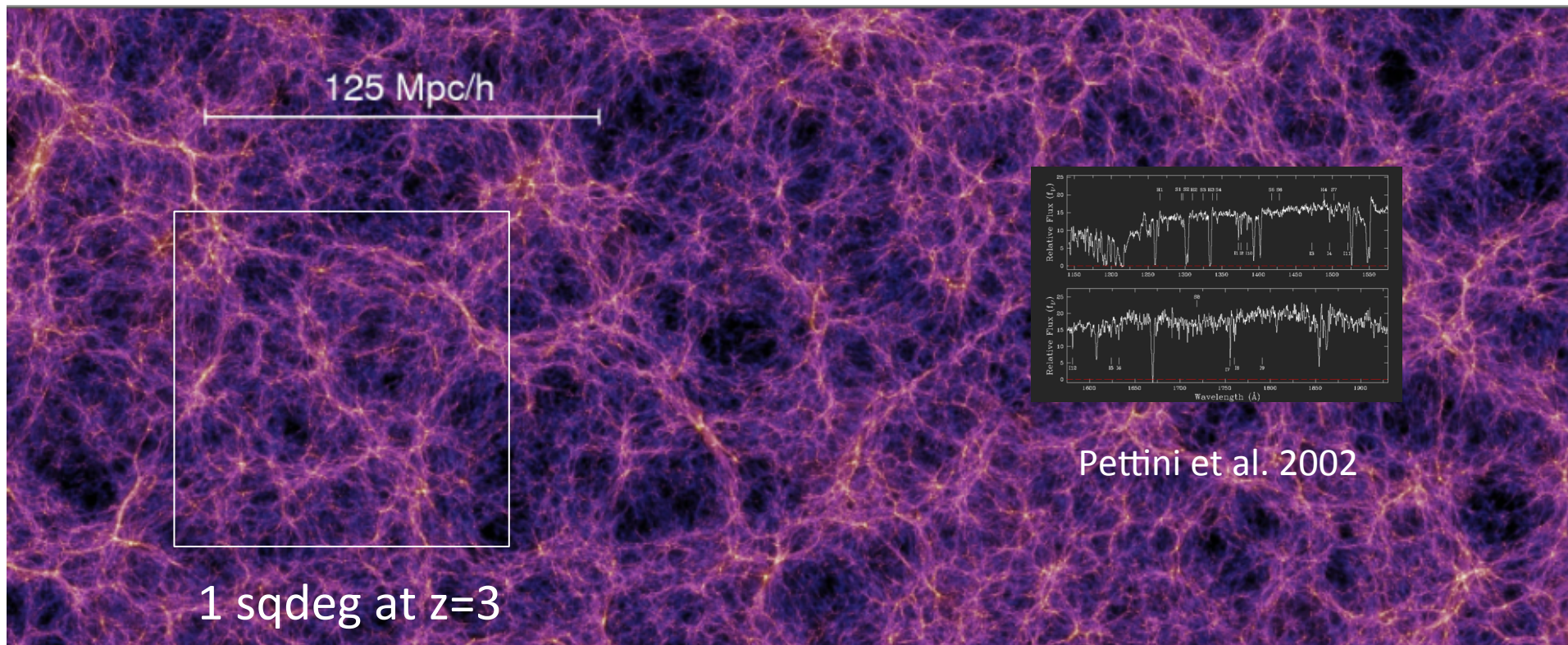
Compromise of resolving the Jeans mass along the line-of-sight and mapping a large enough area (1sqdeg, or more partially covered along filaments) with a reasonable amount of observing time (300-500h). $R \geq 10000$ appears optimal.

Multiplex:

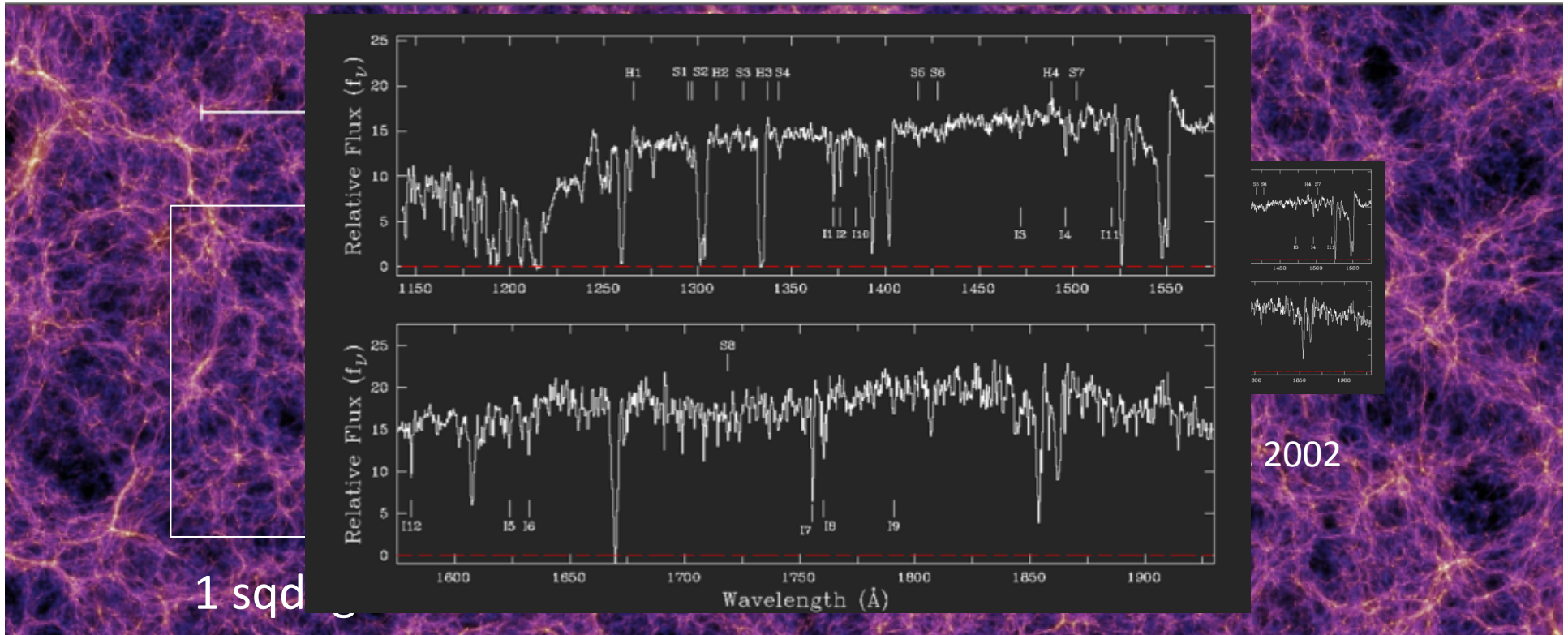
Compromise of marginally resolving the Jeans mass perpendicular to the line-of-sight and to map a large enough area. Multiplex of 10-20 to capture LBGs down to $R = 24$ appears optimal.

Wavelength:

Blue sensitivity helps to push to low redshift. For tomography of large-scale distribution of metals, extension to the near-IR is essential.



A square degree sampled with 1000 spectra of the quality of that of CB58



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Summary

- Tomography of the IGM/CGM will allow us to properly understand the baryonic life cycle of galaxies and will be the tool of choice for unraveling how stellar and AGN feedback regulates galaxy formation. Exploitation of this science case will be very competitive.
- Tomography of the circum-galactic medium with the E-ELT requires high multiplex (> hundred) and will enable a detailed characterisation of inflows and outflows in individual galaxies.
- Tomography of the IGM with a proper reconstruction of the filamentary structure of the cosmic web to study how the eco-cycle of galaxies relates to the large scale distribution of matter requires moderate multiplex (10-20) and intermediate, but still reasonably high resolution (> 10000).
- Combining the two will be particularly powerful.