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## Discussion session

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## Open question

1) consensus on X-ray vs radio vs optical vs IR (vs type)  
AGN and/or quasar clustering strength as a function of redshift?

2) Why do we think AGN with jets are found primarily in massive galaxies?

selection effect?

stellar mass?

merger history – impacts spin of BH

density of surrounding gas that allows us to see the lobes?

...other?

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- 3) What is the relative importance of host galaxy properties vs AGN activity in determining clustering strength (again as a function of redshift and luminosity)? **stellar mass?**
- 4) Improving the synergy between simulations and observations!

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## Open question

5) most/all quasars are triggered by gas-rich major mergers?

6) statistically-significant luminosity dependence for AGN clustering?



at what significance?  
for what kinds of AGN?  
what about obscuration

$M_{BH}$ ,  $L/L_{EDD}$

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- 7) **Is AGN clustering different to galaxy clustering on these scales? What is the form of the HOD for the one-halo term? What are the next steps for determining what drives the small-scale HOD?**
- 8) **How well can we measure clustering using photo-zs in large surveys?**
- 9) **given the coming future large surveys, what are the most scientifically interesting next projects we should pursue?**

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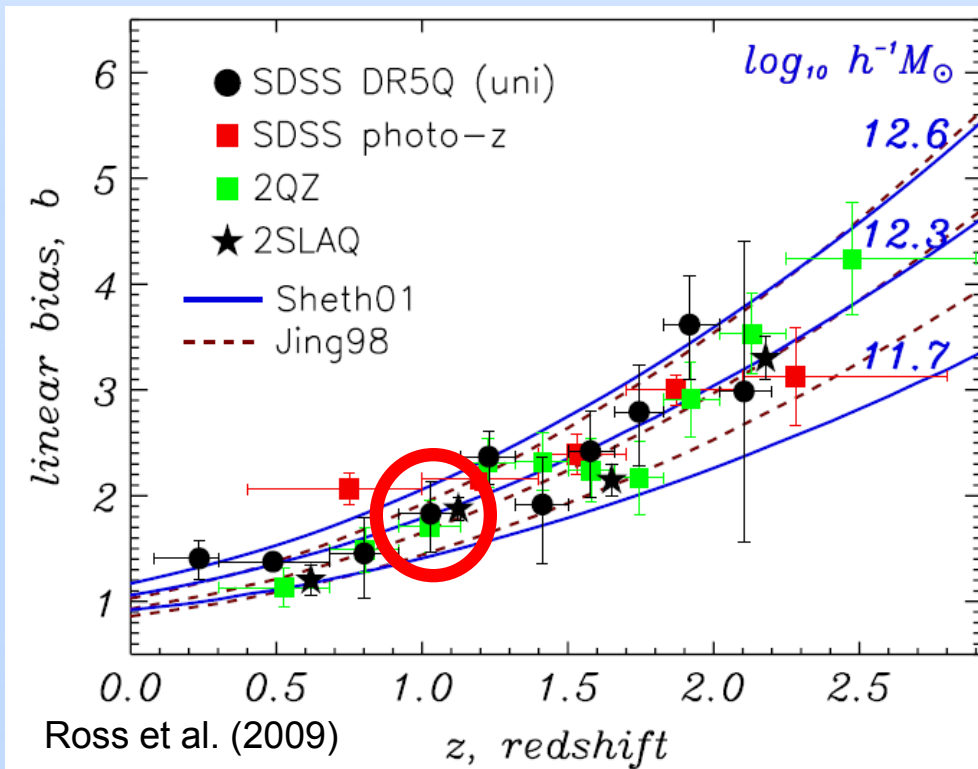
**systematics,  
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**Method – how to get a more uniform picture**

bias –  $M_{\text{DMH}}$  conversation

**different groups use different conversions!**



most of optical community:

**$b = 1.83 @ z = 1.03$**

**$\log M_{\text{DMH}} \sim 12.3$**

**$\sim 0.6 \text{ dex}$**

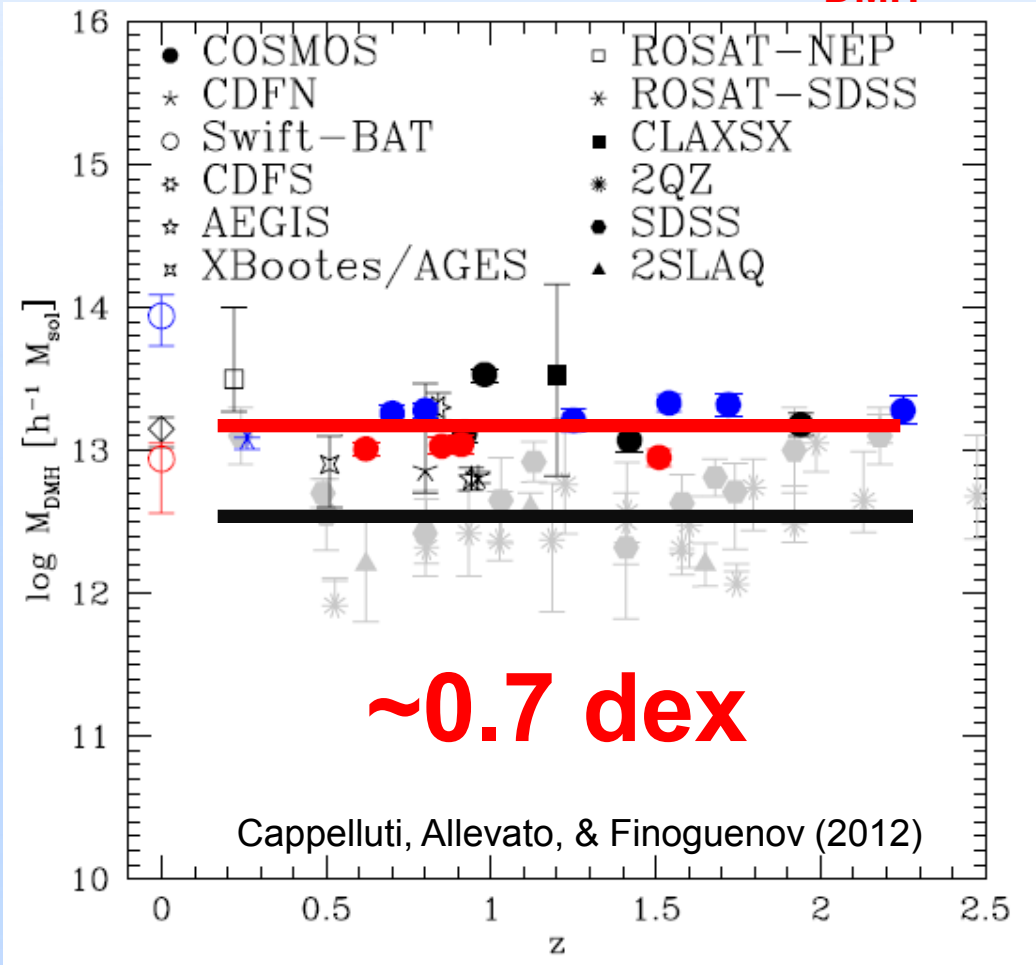
most of X-ray community

**$b = 1.83 @ z=1.03$**

**$\log M_{\text{DMH}} = 12.94 !!!$**

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## Huge difference in bias – $M_{\text{DMH}}$ conversation



**difference real at all?**

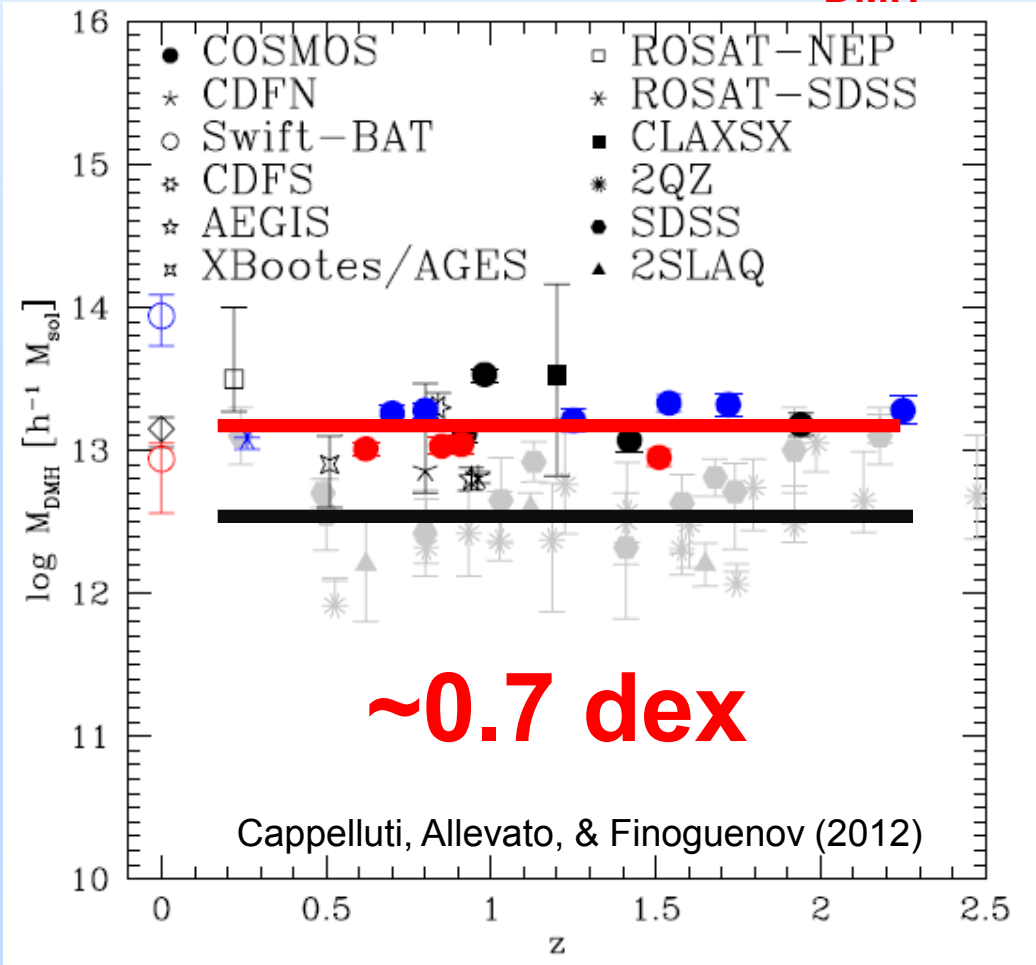
- 1) power spectrum
- 2) fit: Sheth et al., Tinker et al.
- 3) cosmology

**0.17 dex**



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„Instead of blindly comparing the derived DMH mass, recalculating the masses based on the same linear bias to DMH mass relation ... when comparing measurements in the literature.” (Krumpe et al. 2013)

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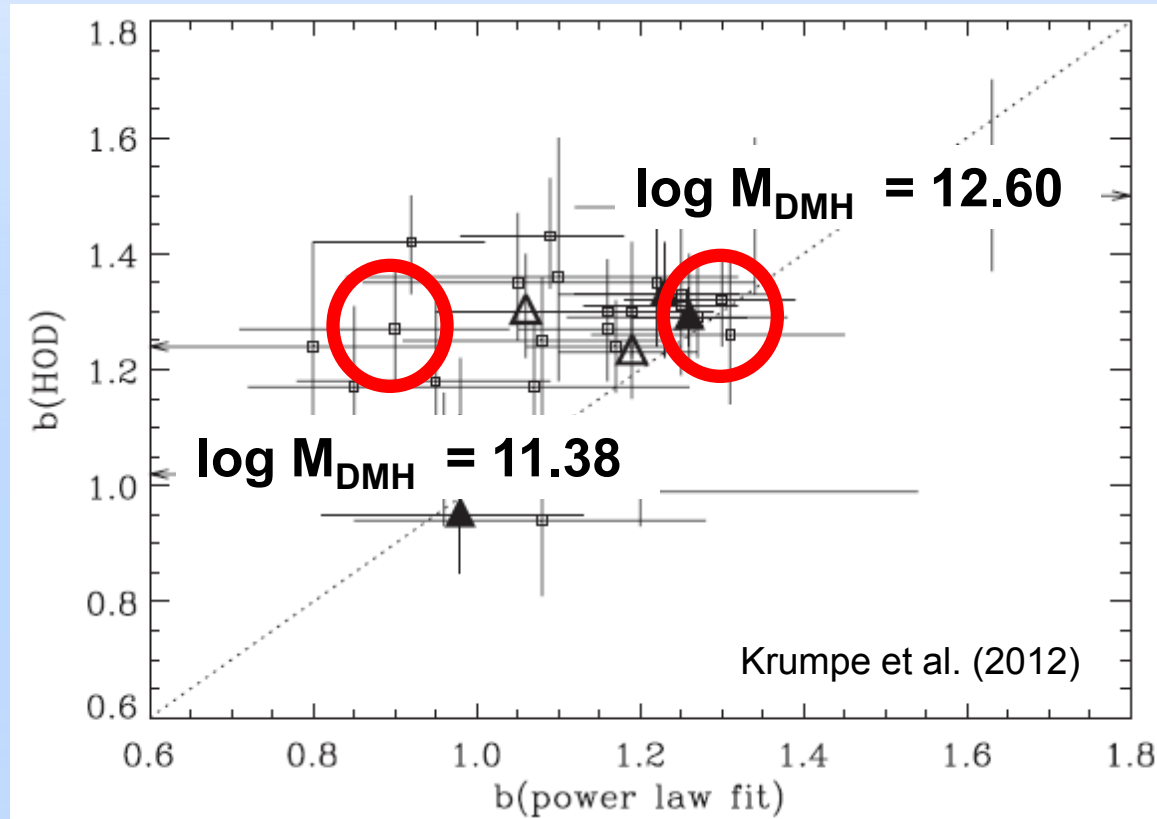
**Let's us agree on a standard!**

- 1) same cosmology (e.g, WMAP 7)  $\Rightarrow$  **website?**
- 2) Same bias to  $M_{\text{DMH}}$  conversion  $\Rightarrow$  **website/tool?**
- 3) Computation of uncertainties  $\Rightarrow$  **???**

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4) Power-law fits / HOD derived bias parameters  $\Rightarrow$  ???



different  $b$   
 $\Rightarrow$   
different  $M_{\text{DMH}}$ !  
 $\Rightarrow$   
correlations  
that just do not  
exist!

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## What should we publish

- 1) observational results:  $w_p(r_p) \Rightarrow$  appendix/online version?
- 2) covariance matrix/diagonal elements  $\Rightarrow$  appendix/online?
- 3) ...other things (e.g.,  $r_0$  vs  $\gamma$  contours)  $\Rightarrow$  ???