

Cosmic Web Reconstruction through Density Ridges

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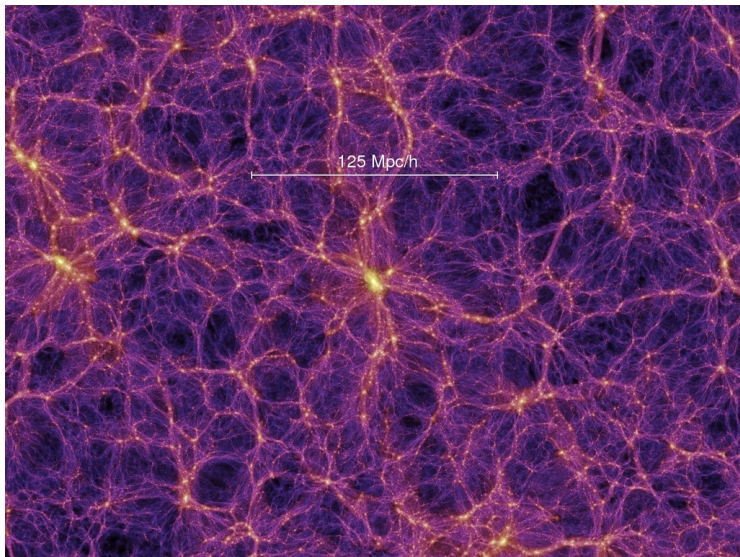
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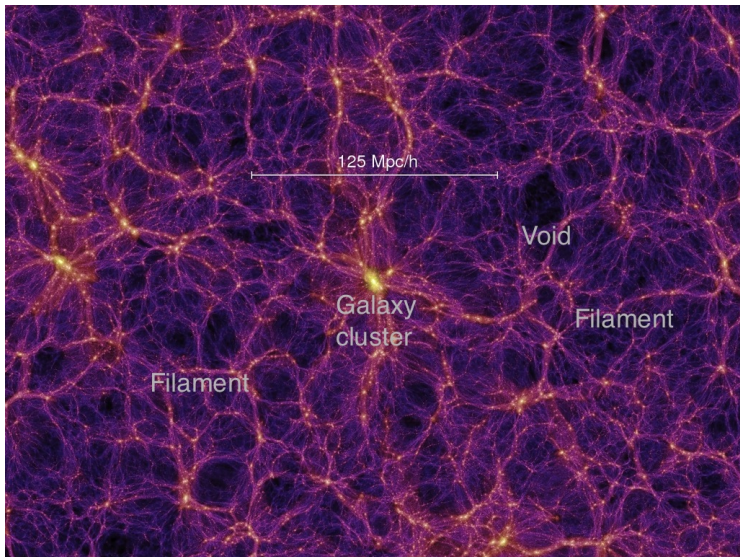
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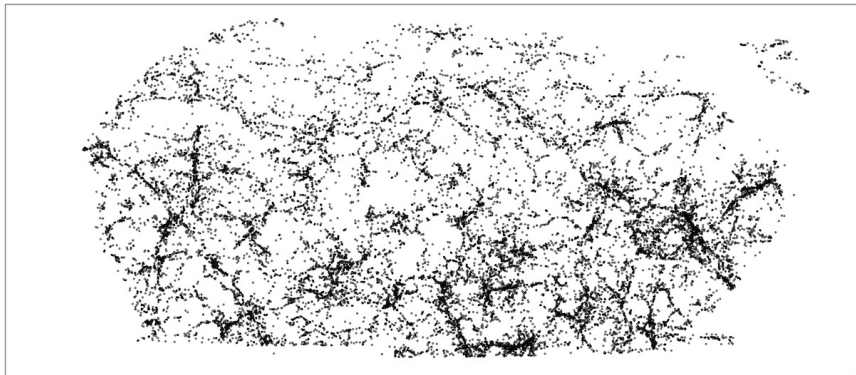
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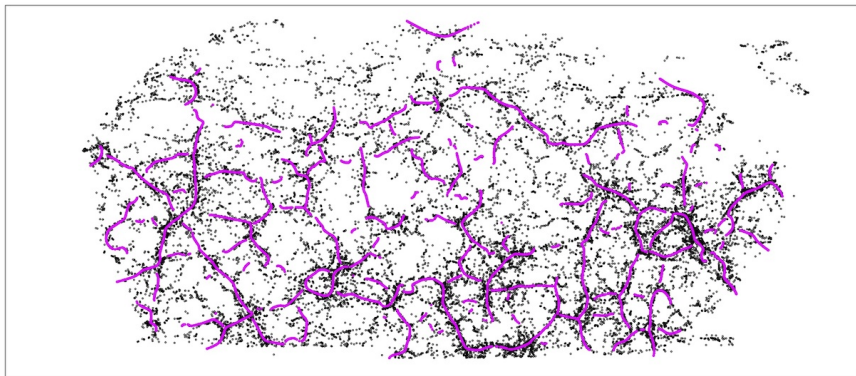
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Statistical Model for Filaments: Density Ridges

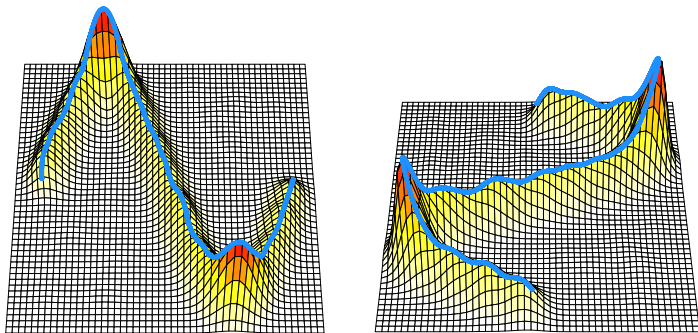
Formally, we define a filament to be a **ridge** of the density.

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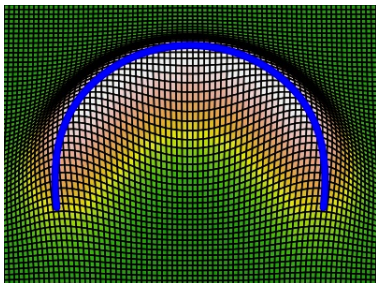
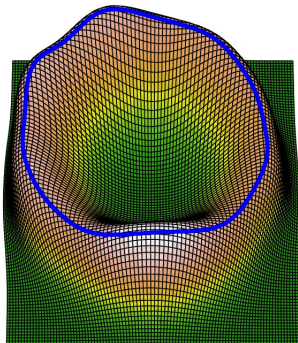


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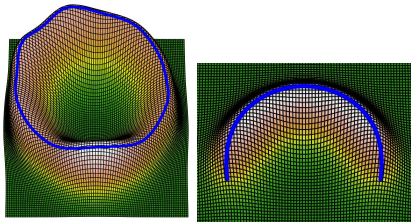
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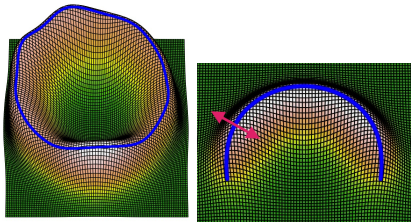


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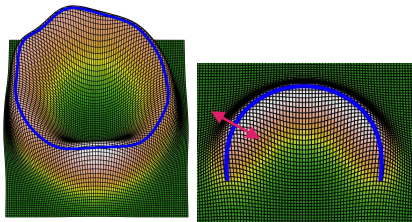
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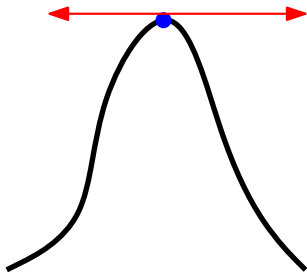


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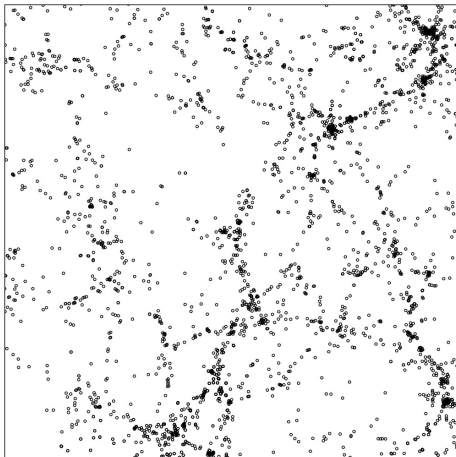
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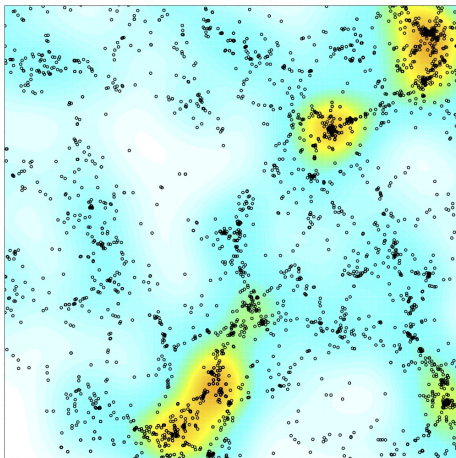
- →Subspace Constrained Mean Shift Algorithm [Ozertem and Erdogmus 2011].

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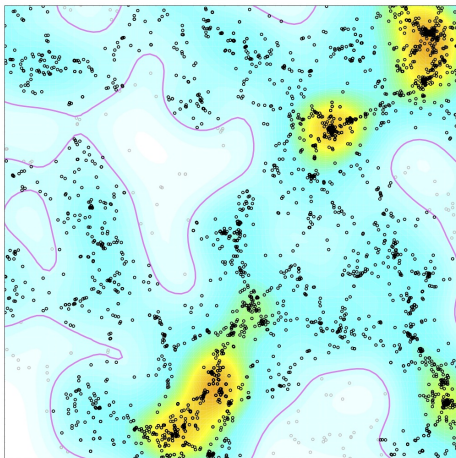
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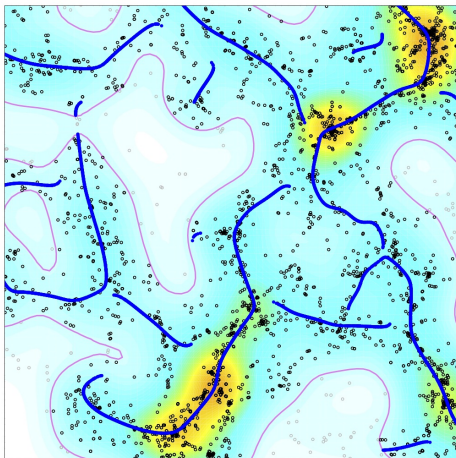
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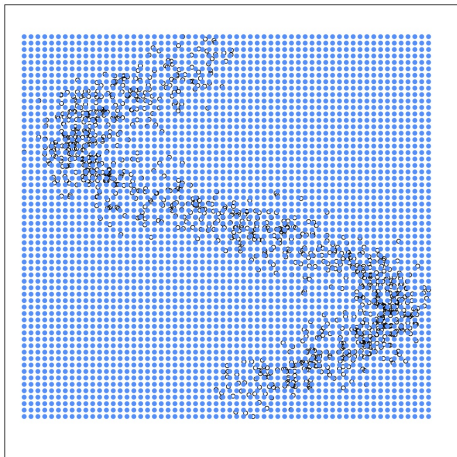


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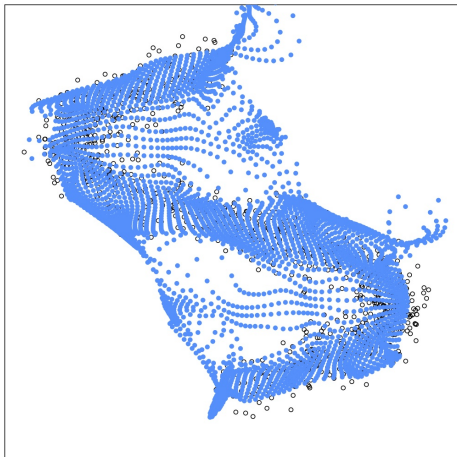
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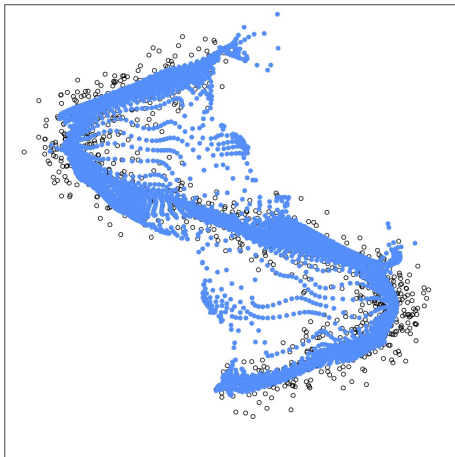
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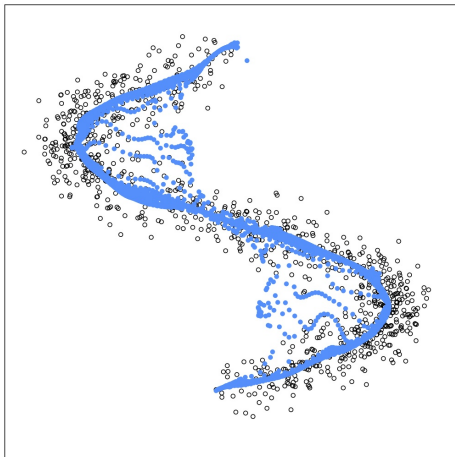
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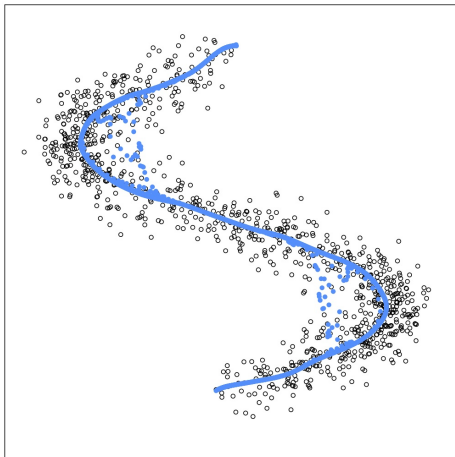
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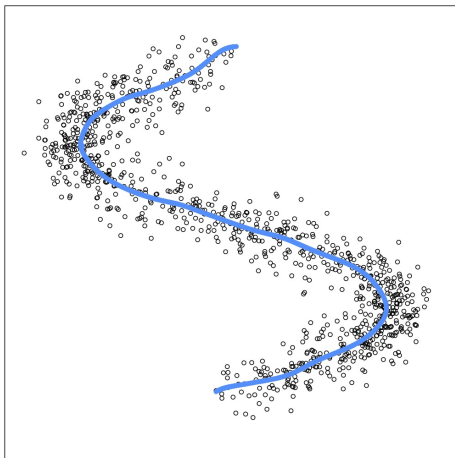
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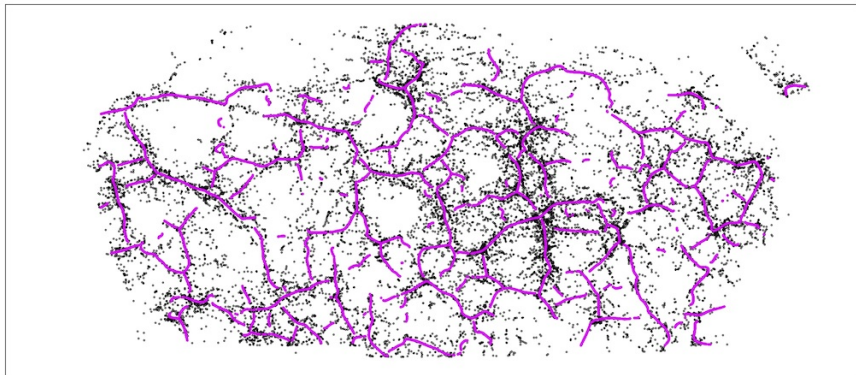
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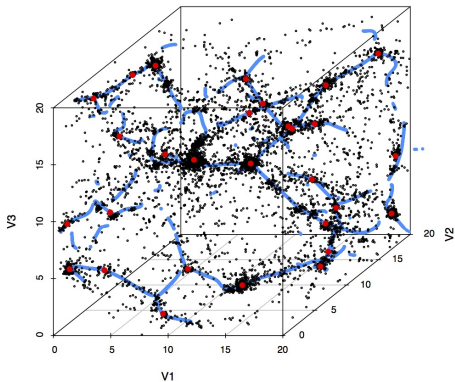
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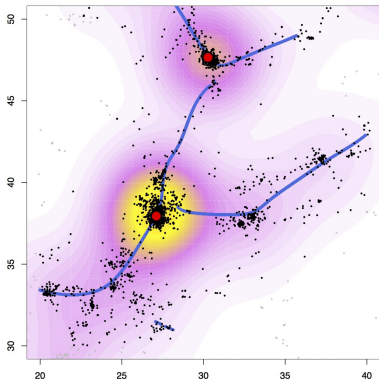
Massive Blackhole Simulation

- Method: smoothed particle hydrodynamics.



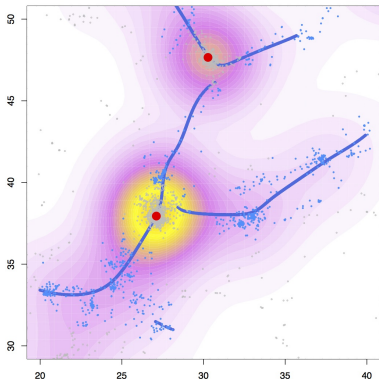
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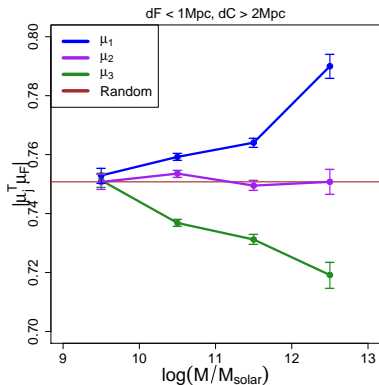
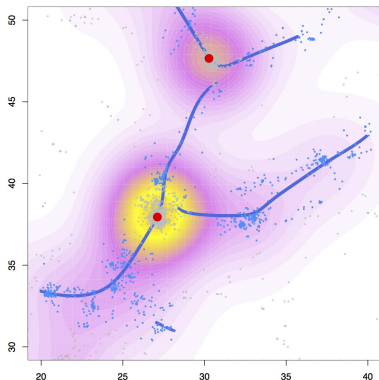
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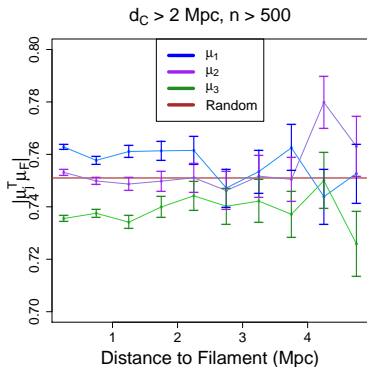
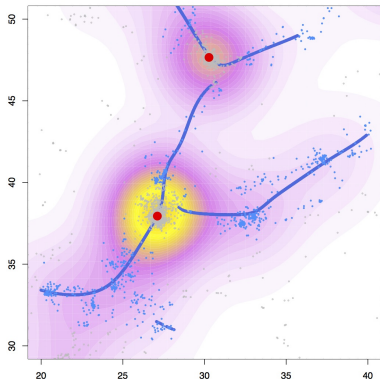
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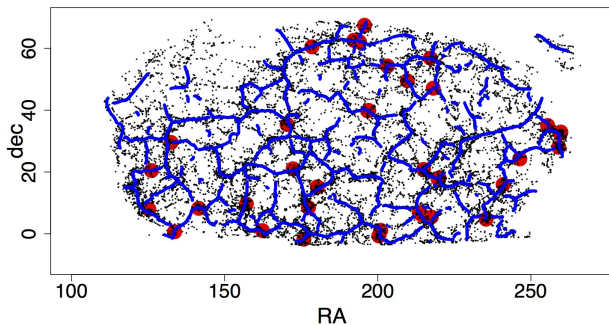
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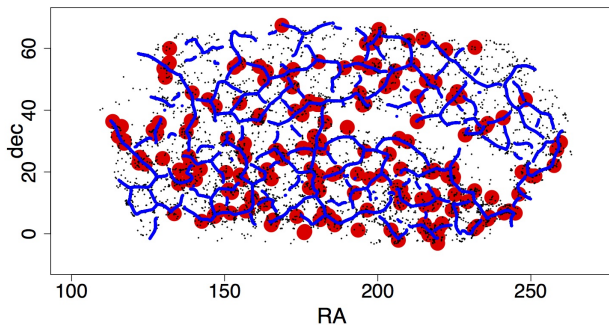
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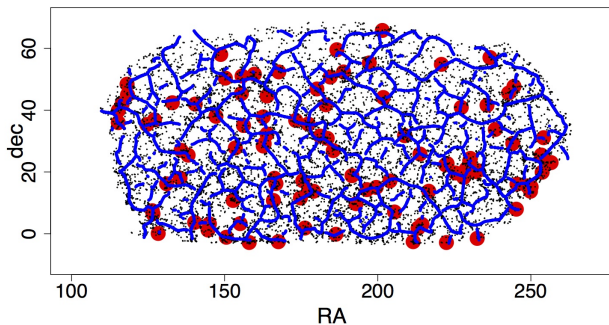
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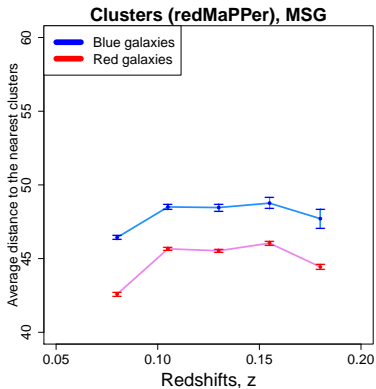
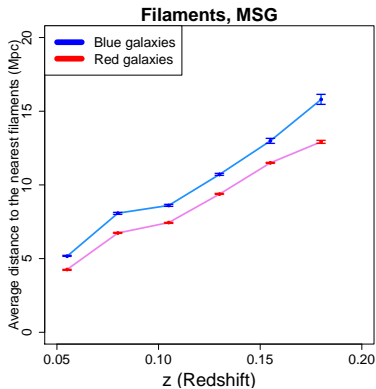
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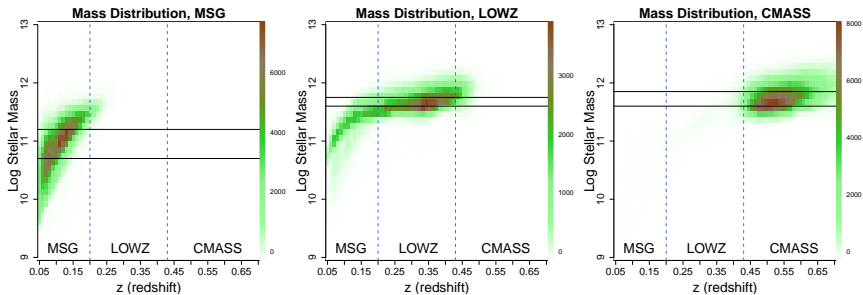
- Redshift range: $0.05 < z < 0.20$ (main sample galaxy).
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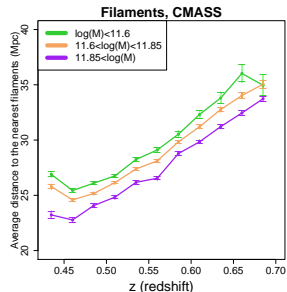
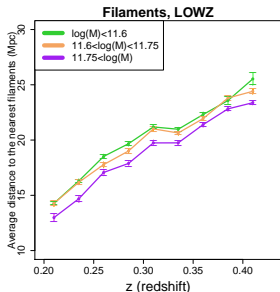
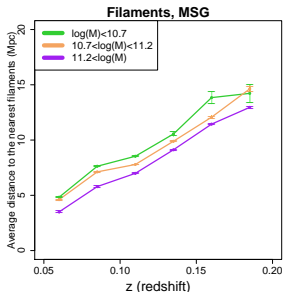


- Mass from Flexible Stellar Population Synthesis method [Conroy, Gunn, and White 2009].
- We partition galaxies into three groups according to their mass.
- We compare the average distance to filaments for each group.

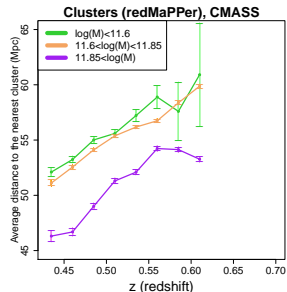
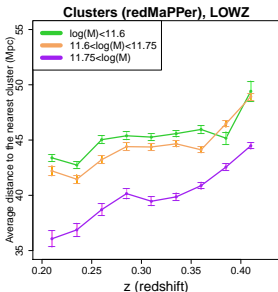
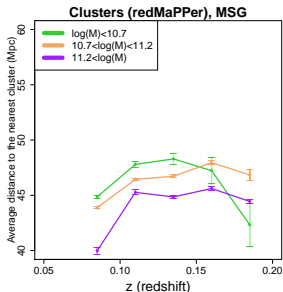
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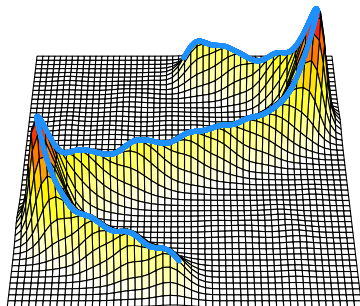


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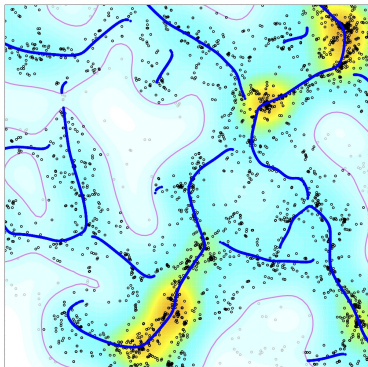
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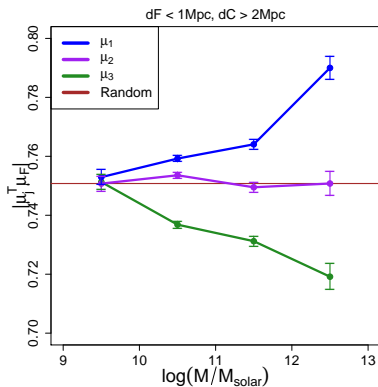
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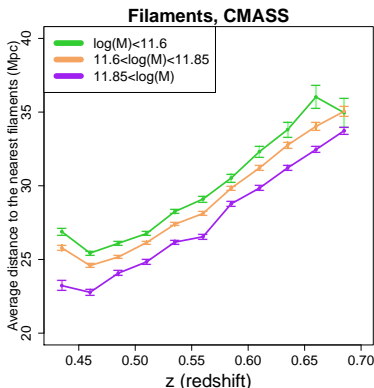
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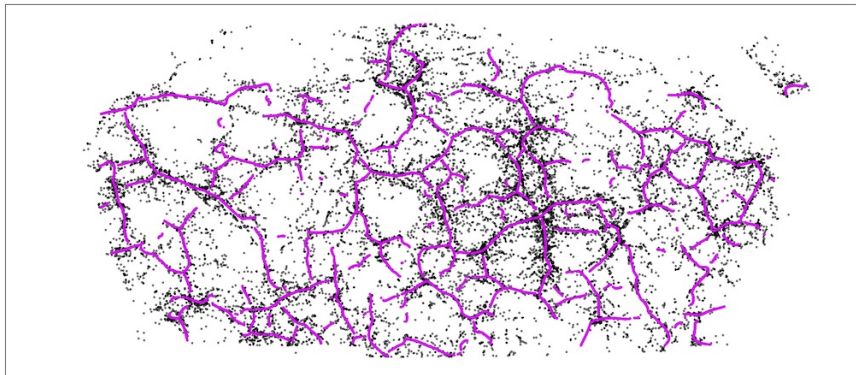
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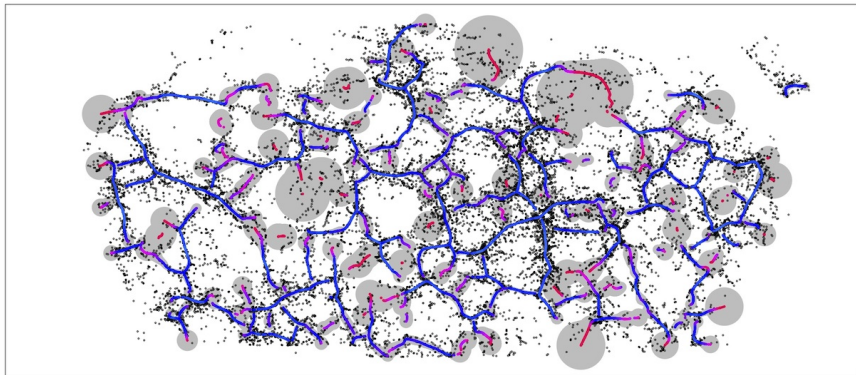
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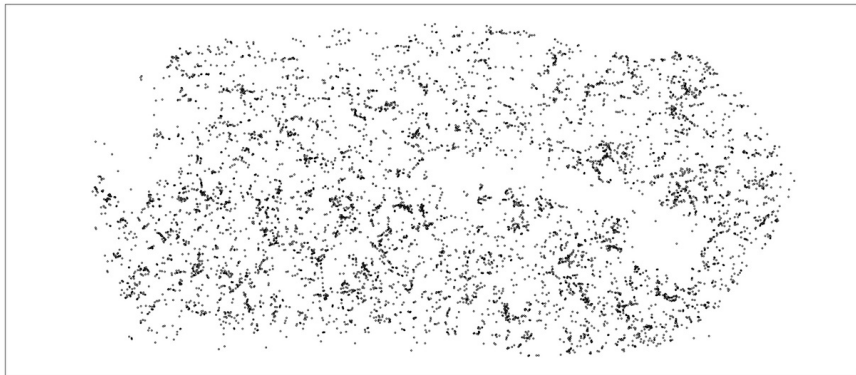
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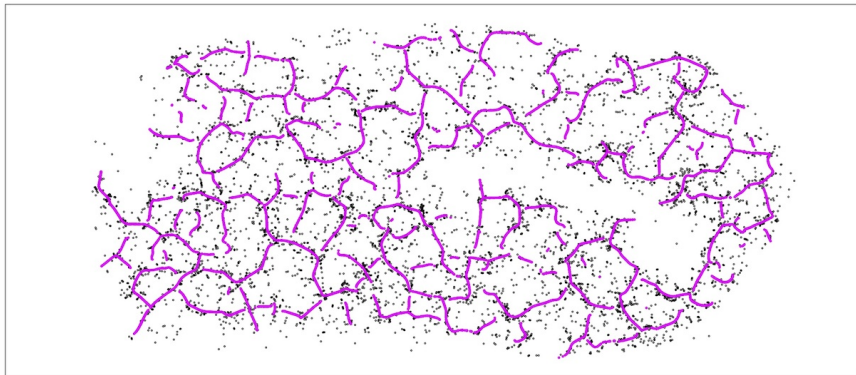
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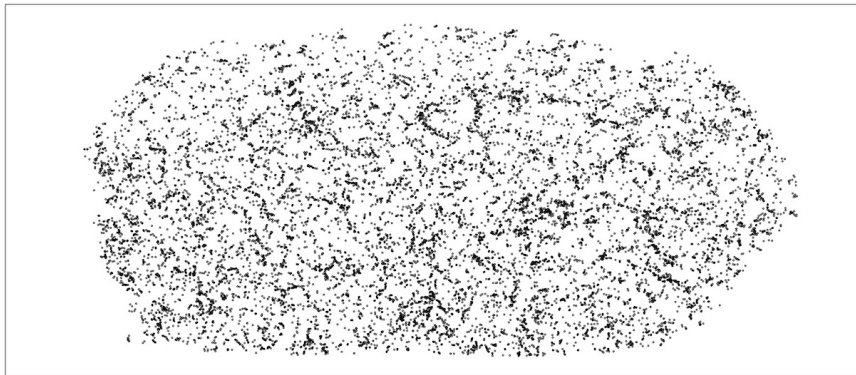
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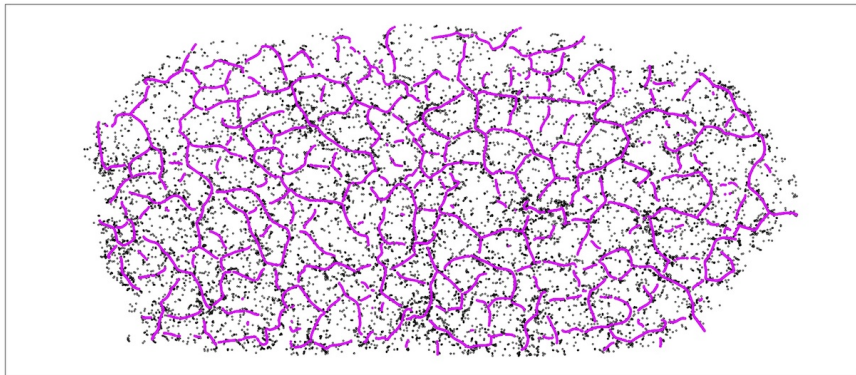
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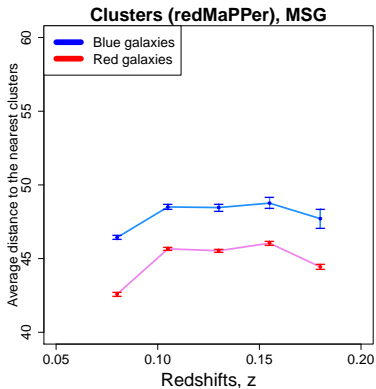
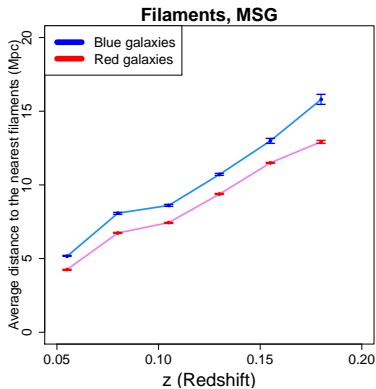
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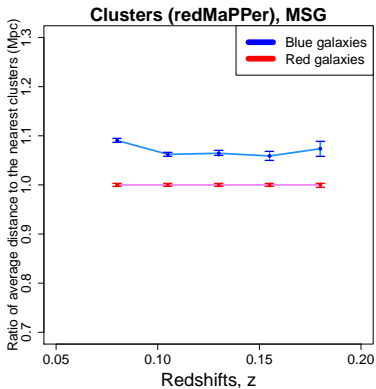
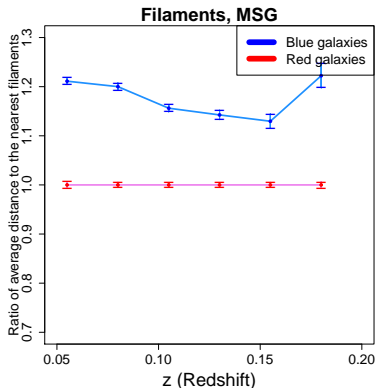
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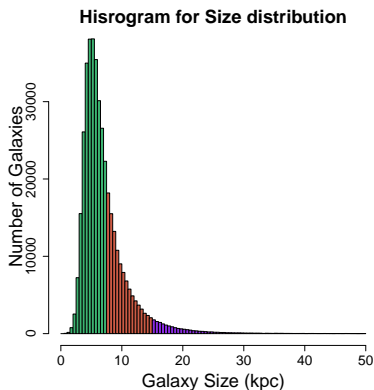


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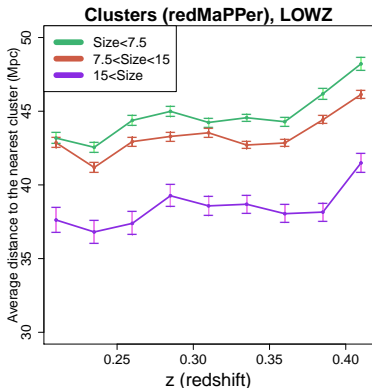
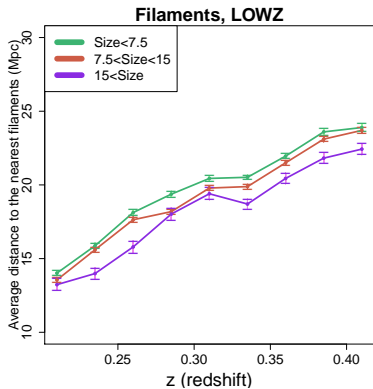


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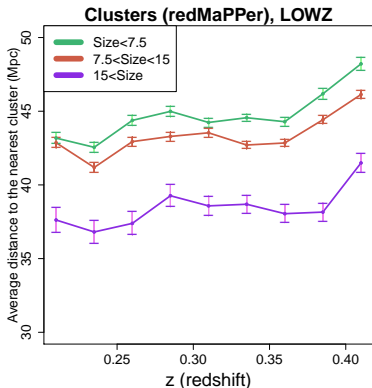
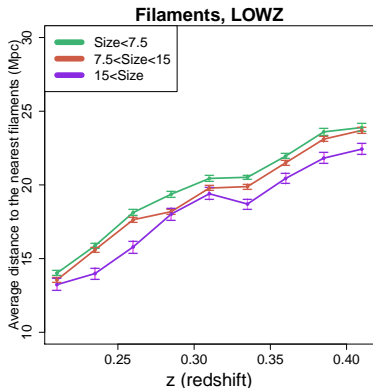
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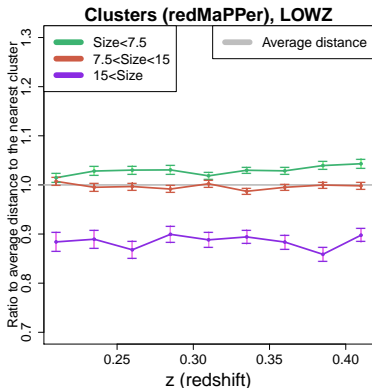
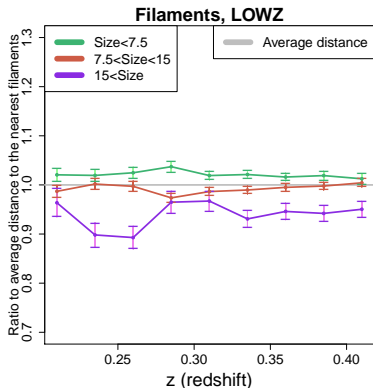
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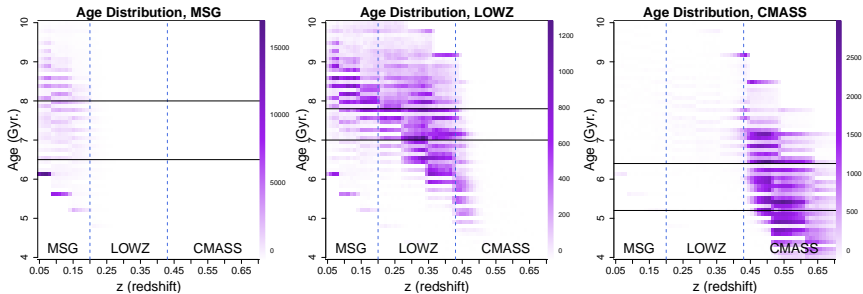
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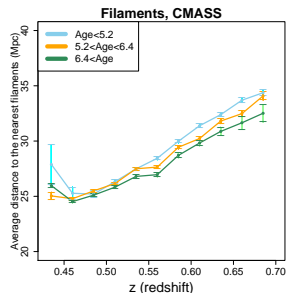
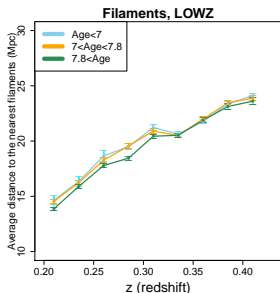
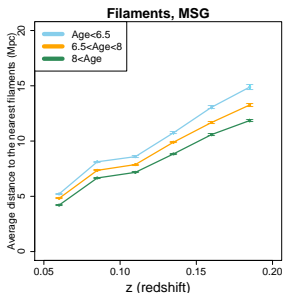
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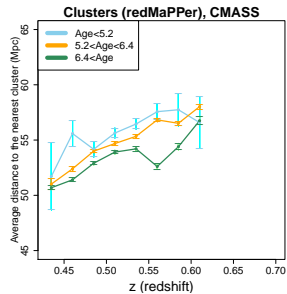
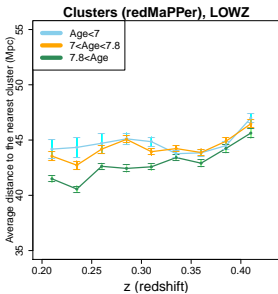
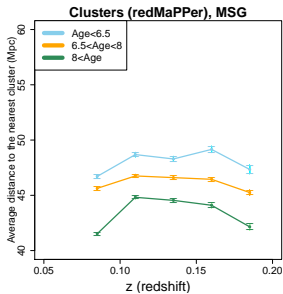
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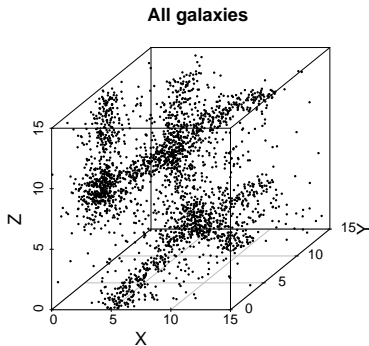
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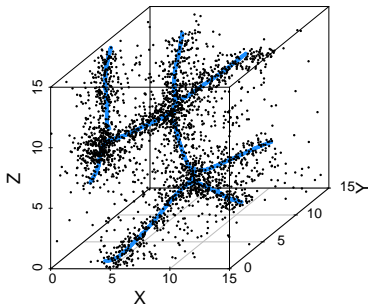


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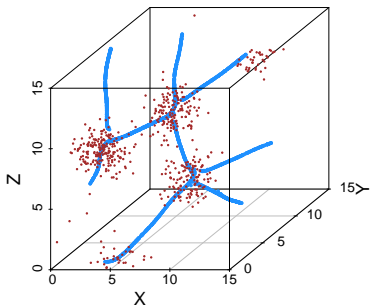
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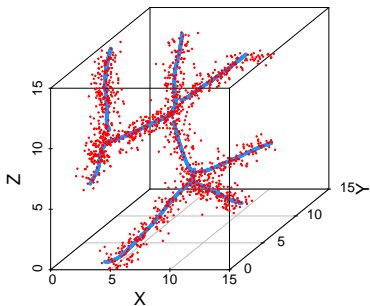
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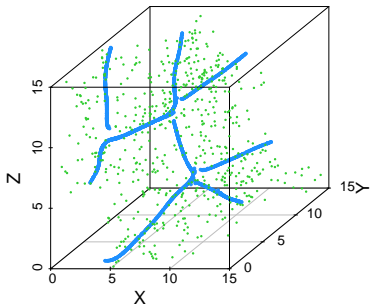
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