Halo Sparsity

A Swiss army knife for galaxy cluster astrophysics and cosmology

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Outline

- What is Sparsity?
- Cluster Mergers
- The Halo Mass Function
- Cosmology

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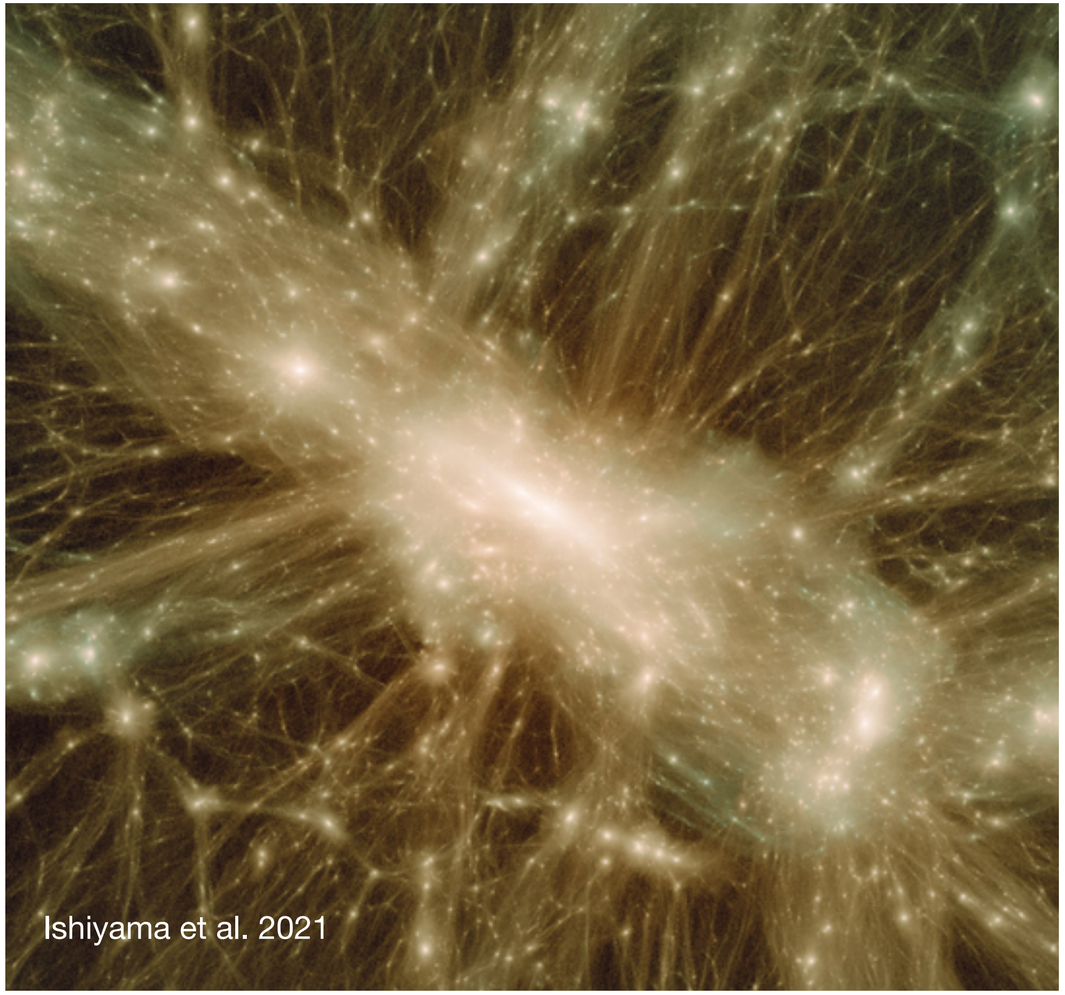

Product of **cosmological** structure formation.

Hosts of galaxies, galaxy clusters and their **astrophysical** processes.

Imprint on the internal structure of haloes?

What can it tell us about the Universe?

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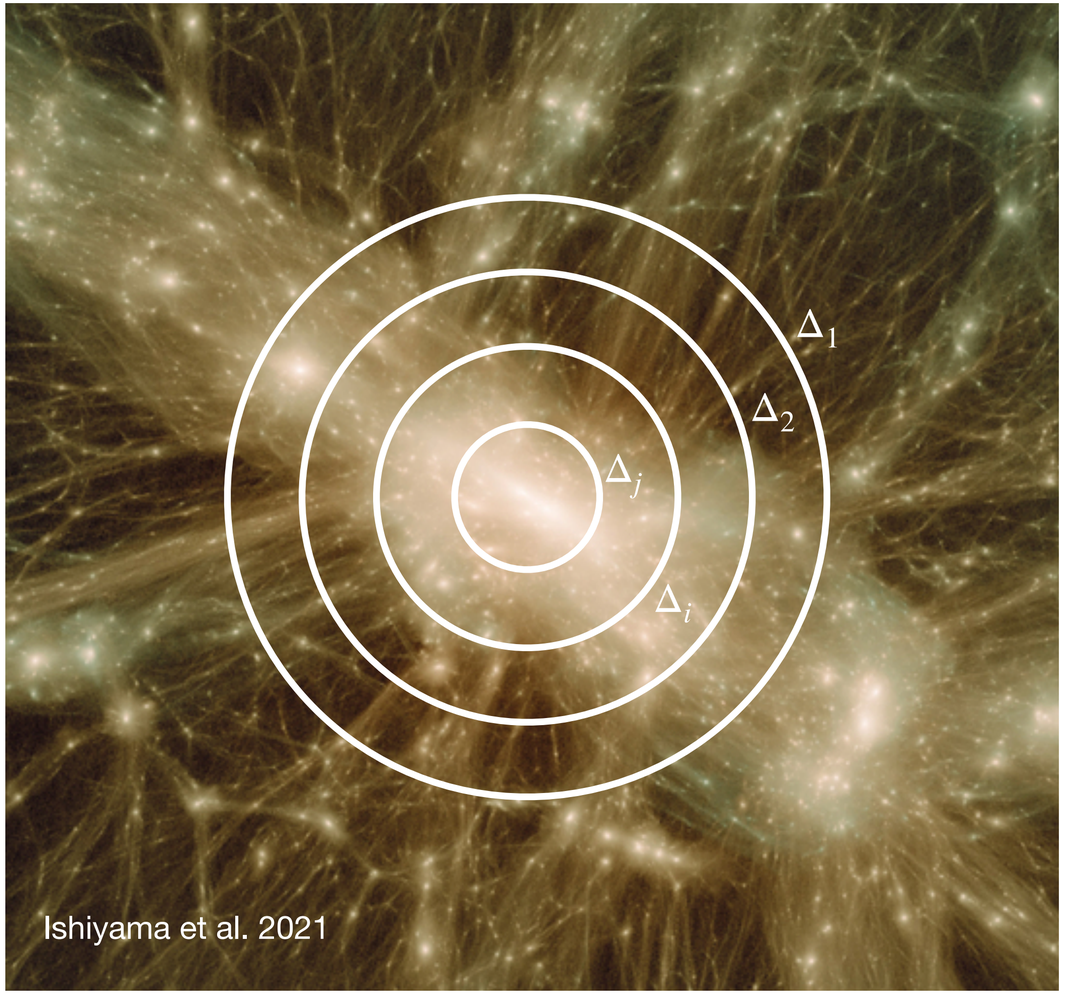

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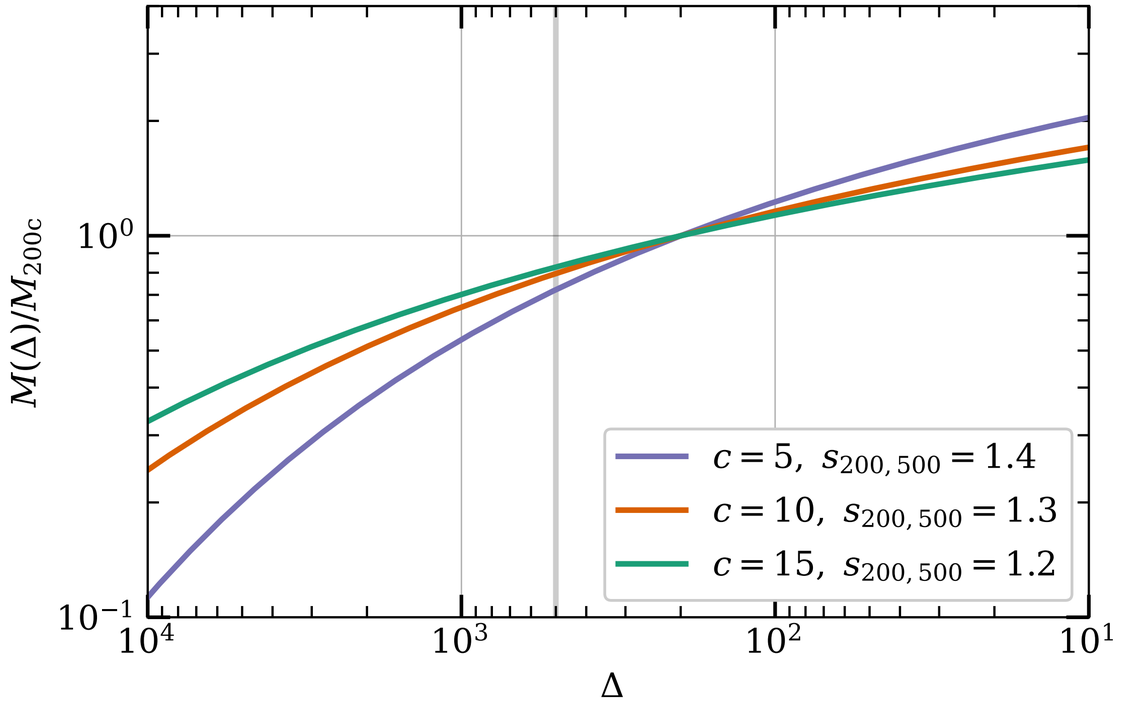

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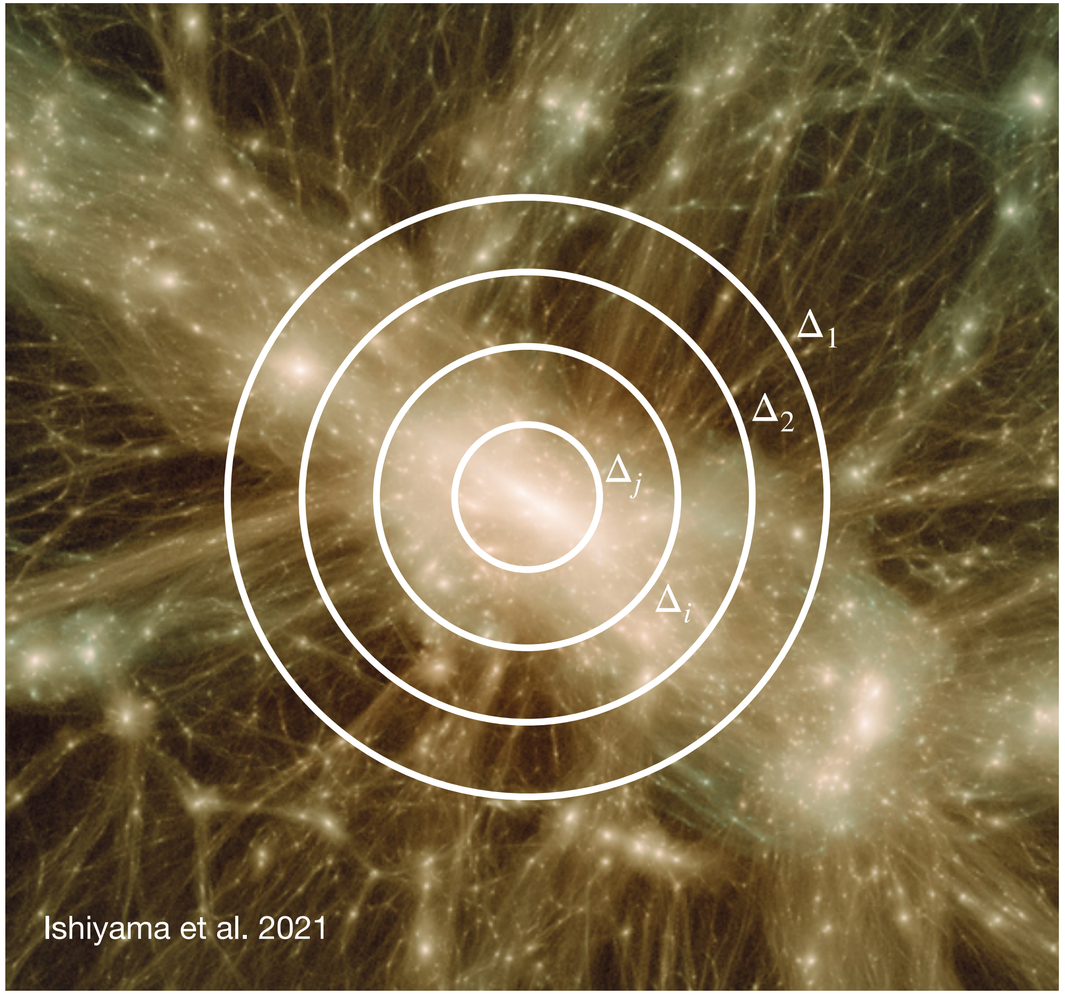

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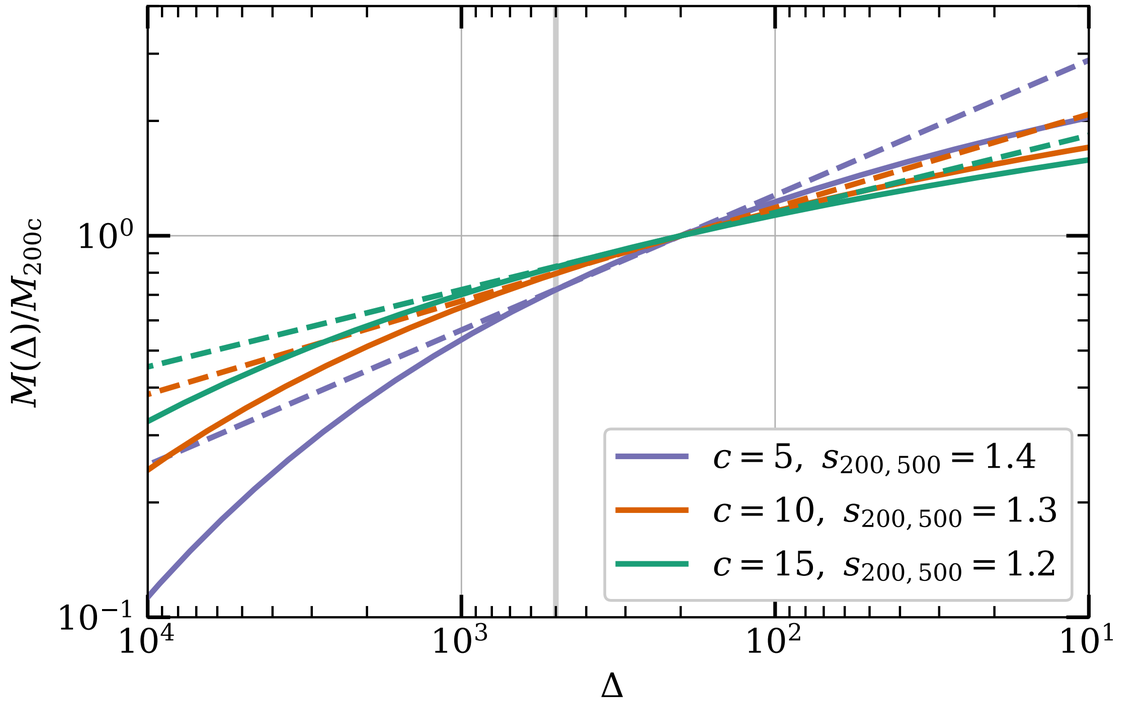

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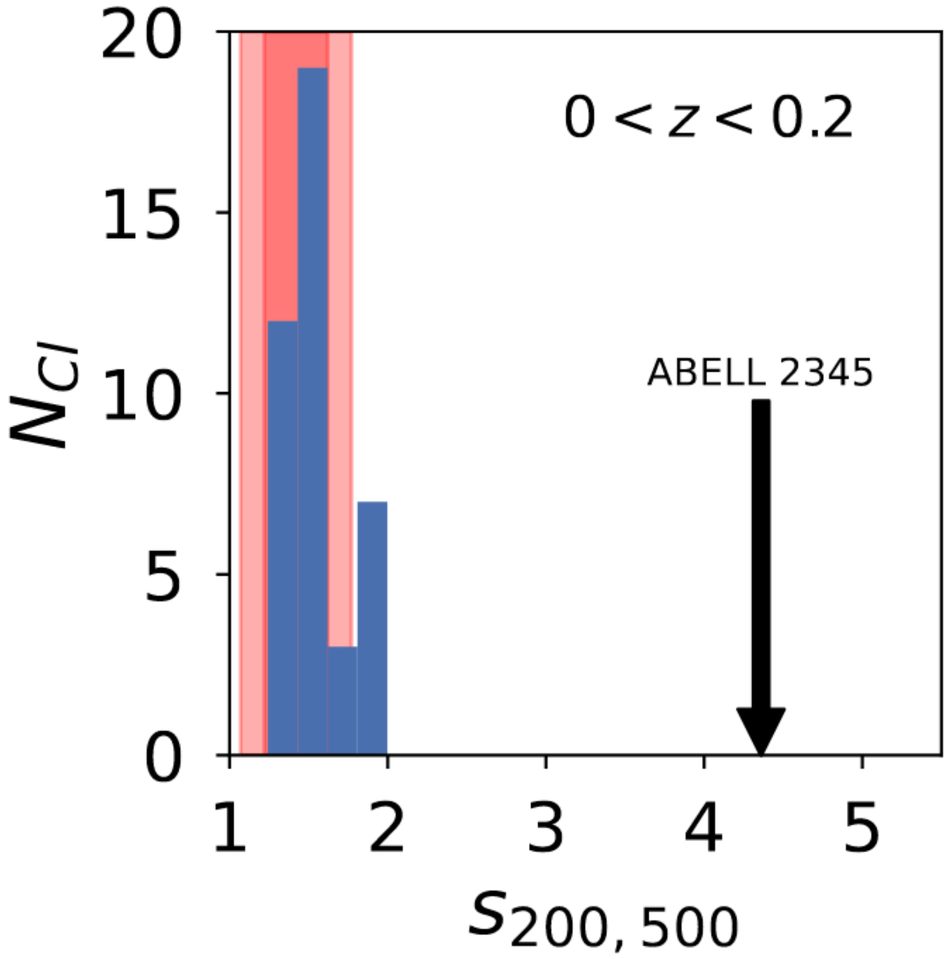

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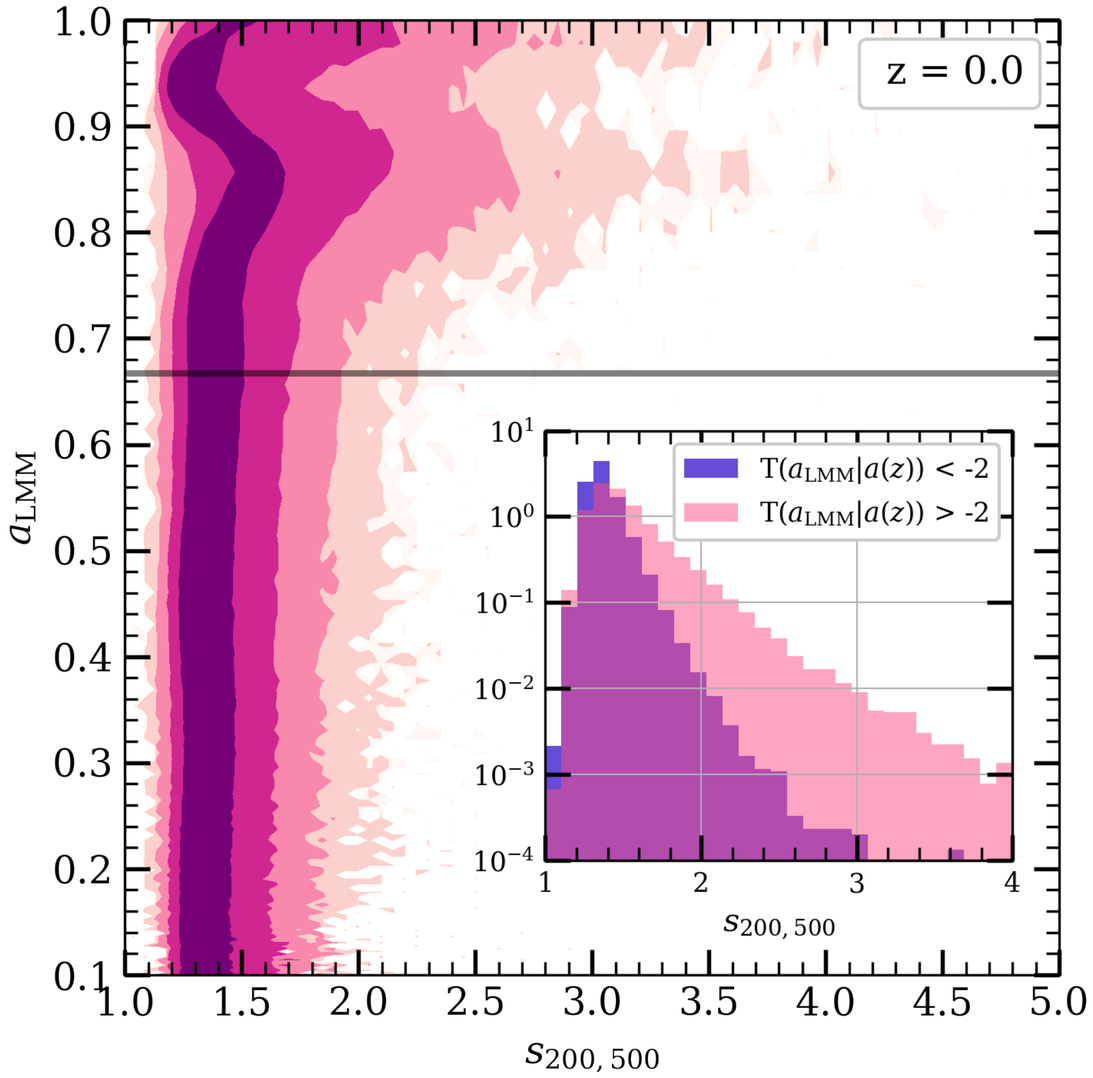

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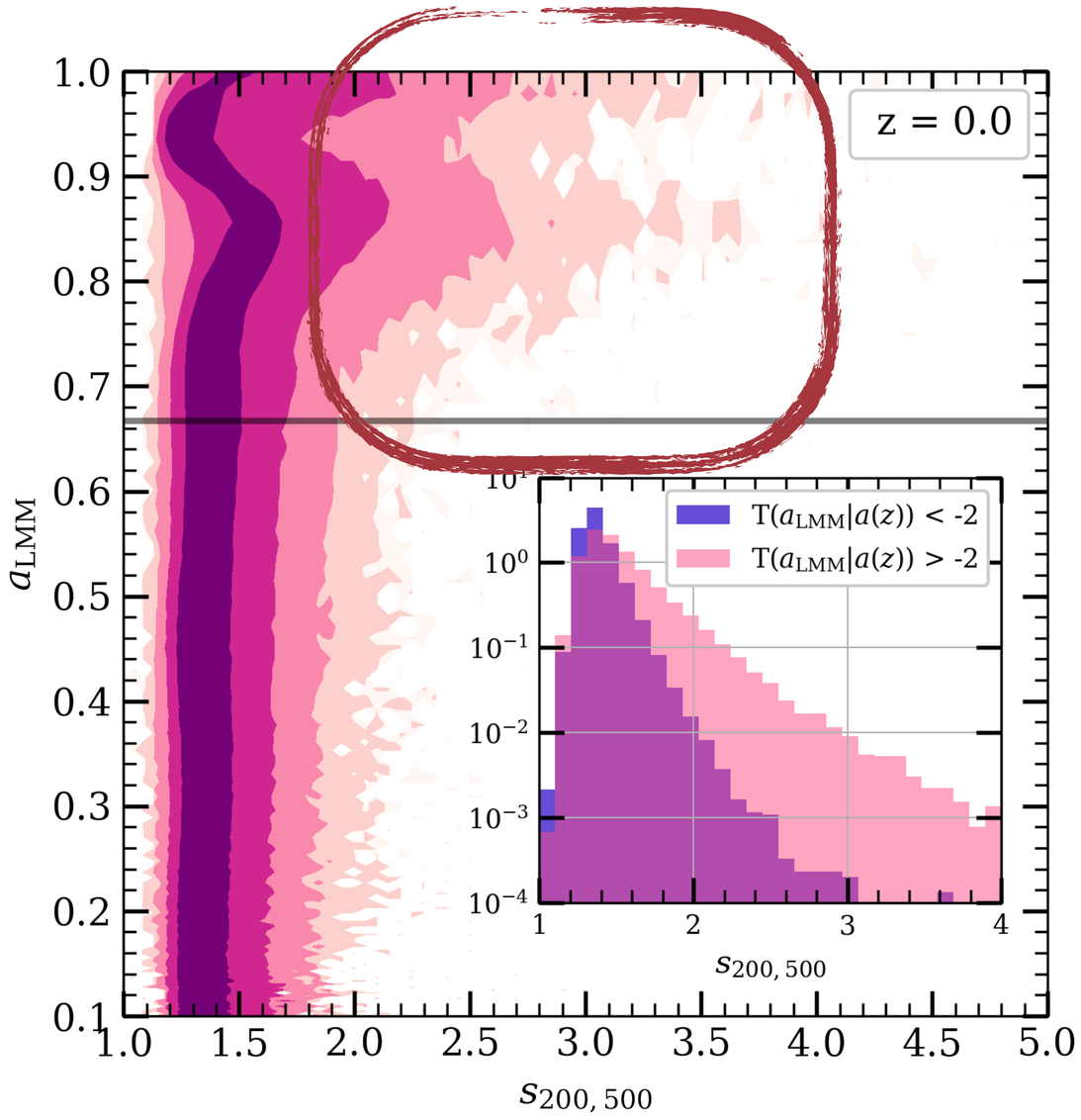

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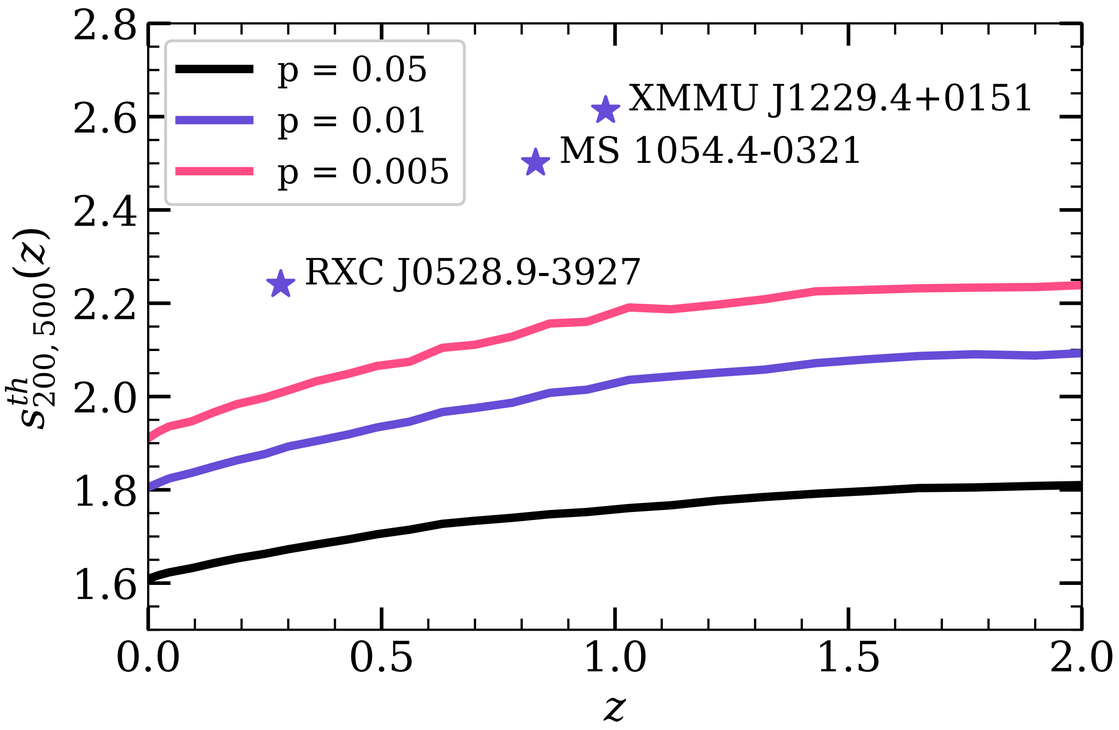
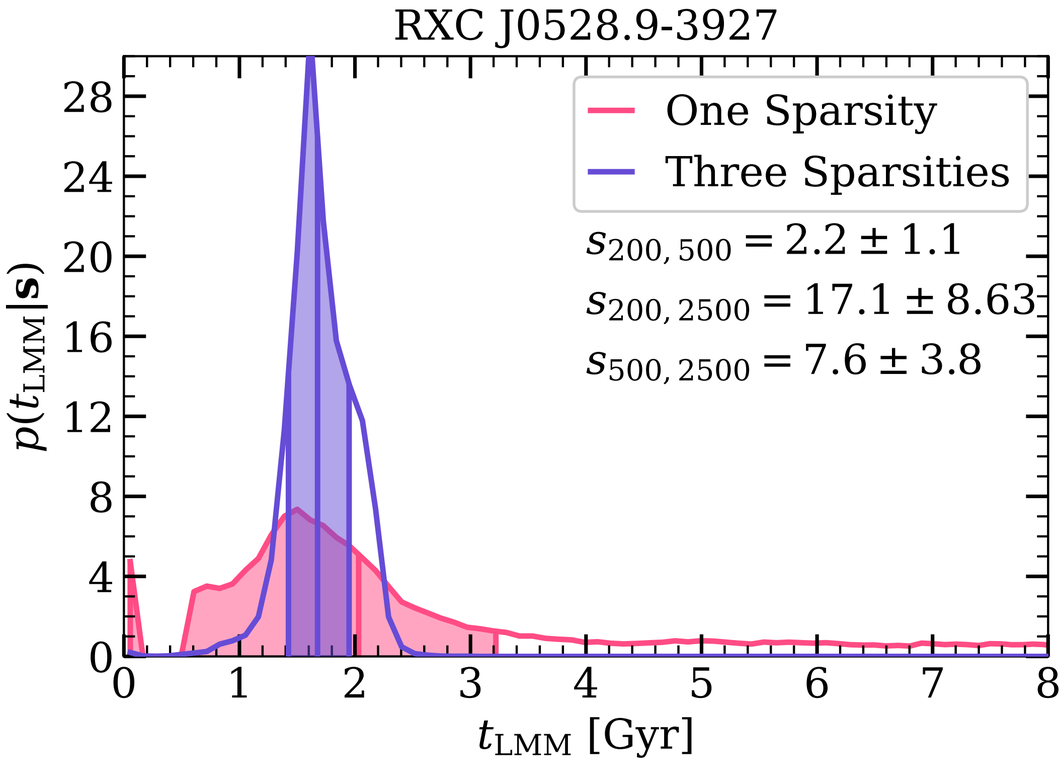
Large sparsity is very likely to be a merger

Detection with sparsity





We can use the probability distribution from the simulation as a likelihood to set **thresholds** and even get a first **estimate of the merger time.**

Not super precise but can be used to **quickly** screen catalogues

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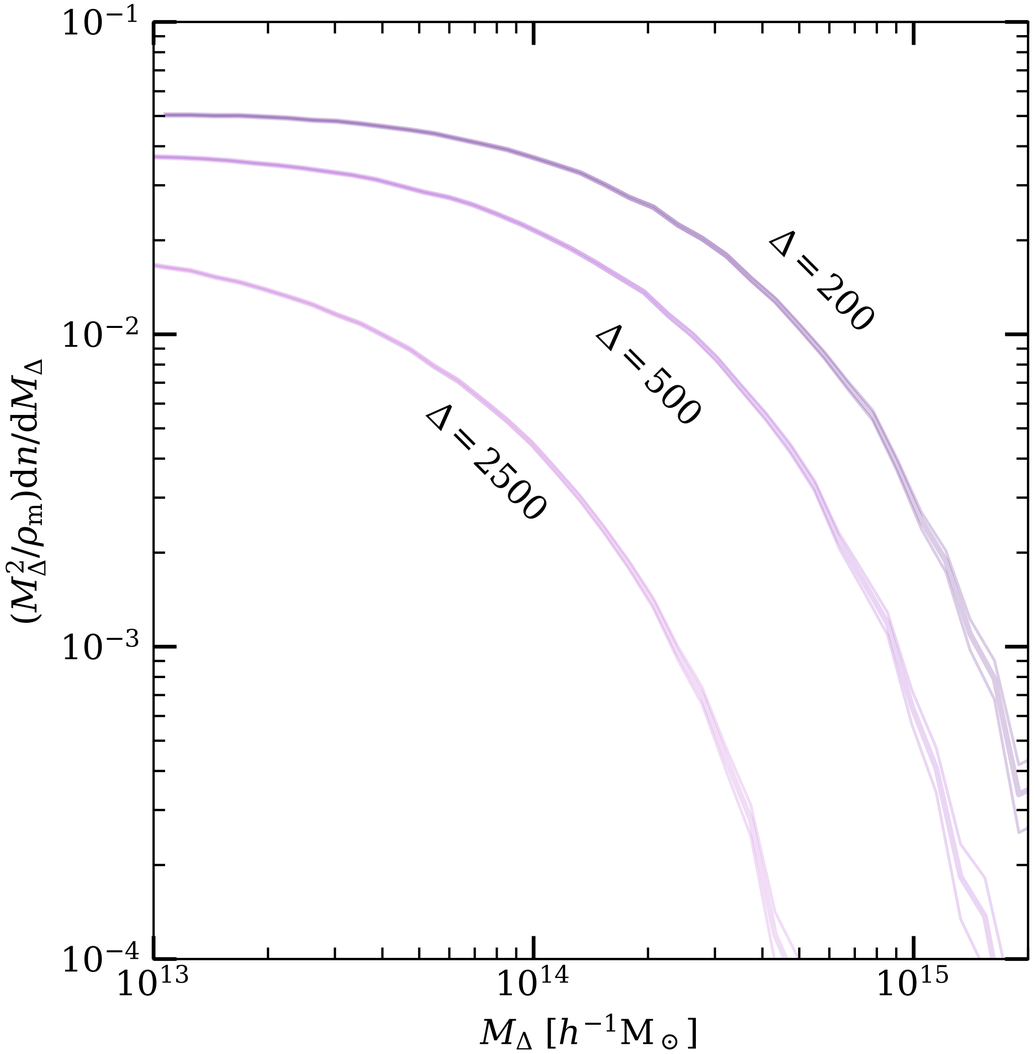


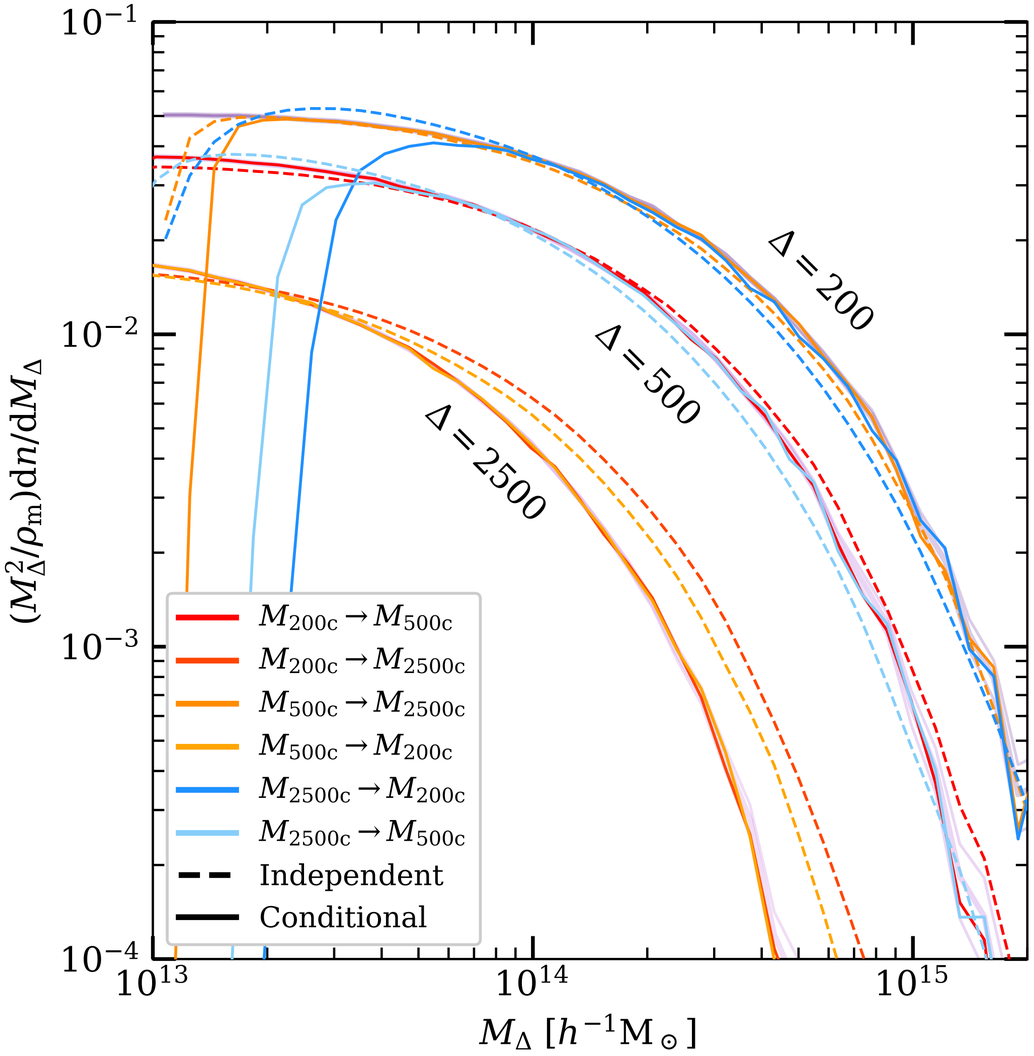
The HMF: How many haloes are expected per unit mass per unit volume.

Alternate view: The probability of finding a halo of mass $M_\Delta \in [M, M + \mathrm{d}M]$ in a volume $\mathrm{d}V$.

M_Δ is a random variable drawn from $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_\Delta}$

$s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2} = \dfrac{M_{\Delta_1}}{M_{\Delta_2}}$ relates **3 random variables**

Sparsity Transformations



We can relate their distribution functions:

$$M_{\Delta_1} \sim \frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_1}}, \quad s \sim \rho_\mathrm{s}(s\,|\,M_\Delta) \quad \text{and} \quad M_{\Delta_2} \sim \frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_2}}$$

"Outward" $M_{\Delta_1} = s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2} M_{\Delta_2}$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_1}}(M_{\Delta_1}) = \int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x} \rho_\mathrm{s}(x\,|\,M_{\Delta_1}/x) \frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_2}}(M_{\Delta_1}/x)\mathrm{d}x$$

"Inward" $M_{\Delta_2} = M_{\Delta_1}/s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2}$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_2}}(M_{\Delta_2}) = \int_1^\infty x\,\rho_\mathrm{s}(x\,|\,xM_{\Delta_2}) \frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_1}}(xM_{\Delta_2})\,\mathrm{d}x$$

Recovering the literature

By assuming: $\rho(s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2}|M_{\Delta_1}) = \delta_{\rm D}(s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2} - \langle s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2}\rangle)$

$$\frac{{\rm d}n}{{\rm d}M_{\Delta_2}} = \left[\frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{M_{\Delta_2}}\frac{{\rm d}\ln\sigma^{-1}}{{\rm d}M_{\Delta_2}}f(\sigma)\right]\frac{1}{\langle s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2}\rangle} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \frac{{\rm d}n}{{\rm d}M_{\Delta_2}} = \left[\frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{M_{\Delta_2}}\frac{{\rm d}\ln\sigma^{-1}}{{\rm d}M_{\Delta_2}}f(\sigma)\right]\frac{M_{\Delta_2}}{M_{\Delta_1}}$$

Richardson & Corasaniti *in prep.*

Bocquet et al. 2016
Ragagnin et al. 2021

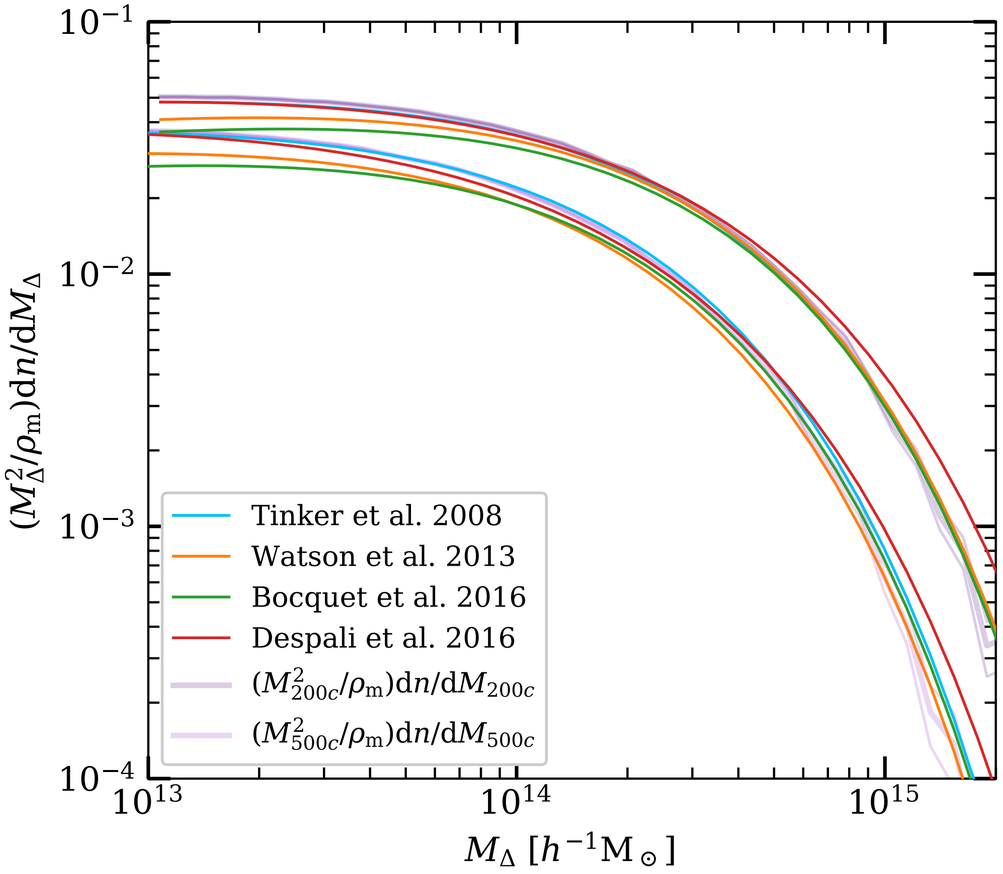
A second result from Balmès et al. 2014 can be recovered by integrating over M_{Δ_2} with the same assumption.

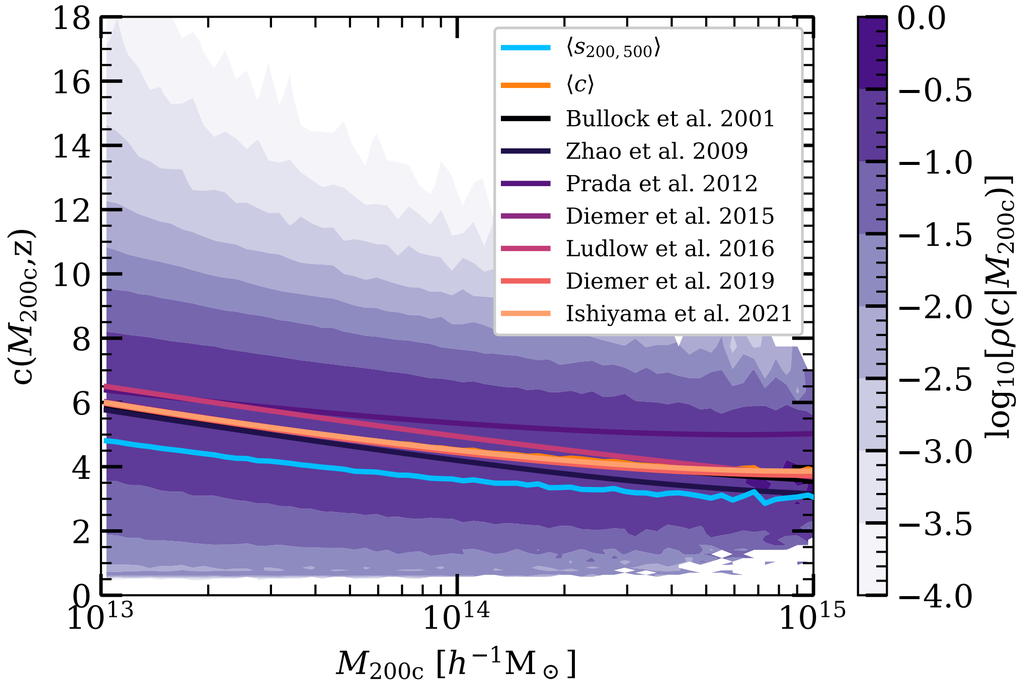
$$\int\frac{{\rm d}n}{{\rm d}M_{\Delta_2}}{\rm d}\ln M_{\Delta_2} = \langle s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2}\rangle\int\frac{{\rm d}n}{{\rm d}M_{\Delta_1}}{\rm d}\ln M_{\Delta_1}$$

Foundational equation for sparsity constraints

Corasaniti et al. 2018, 2021, 2022

Connecting HMF and $c(M, z)$





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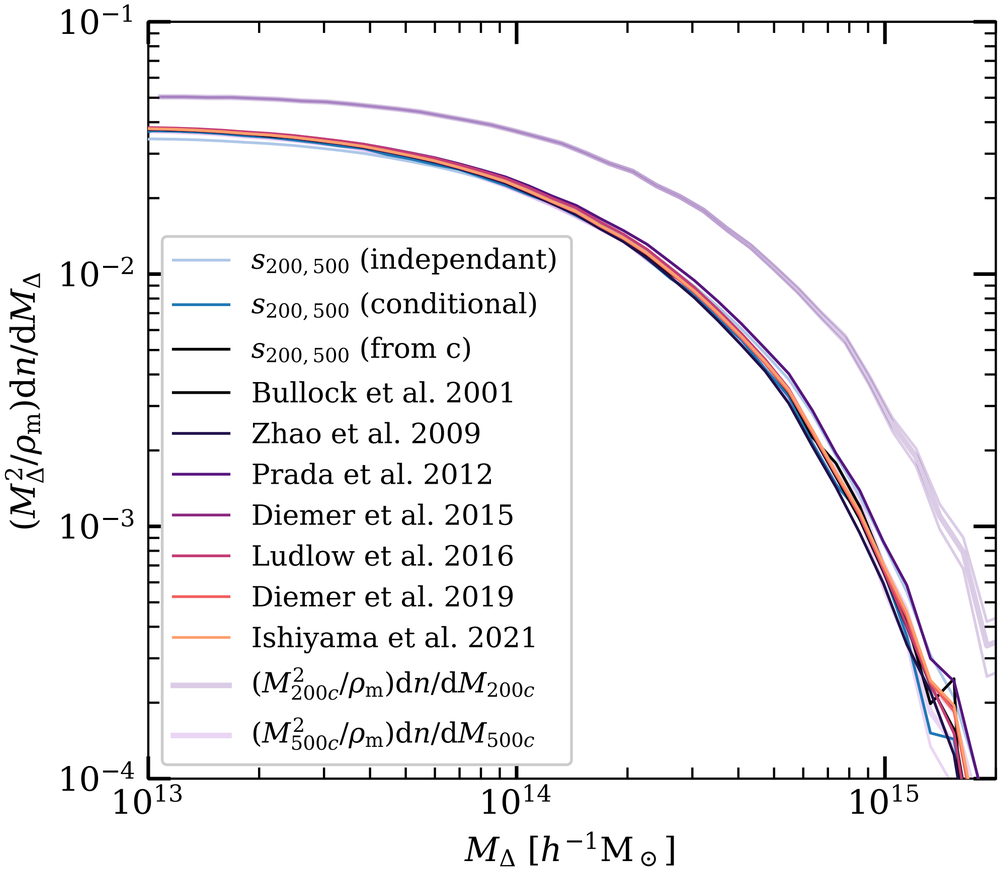

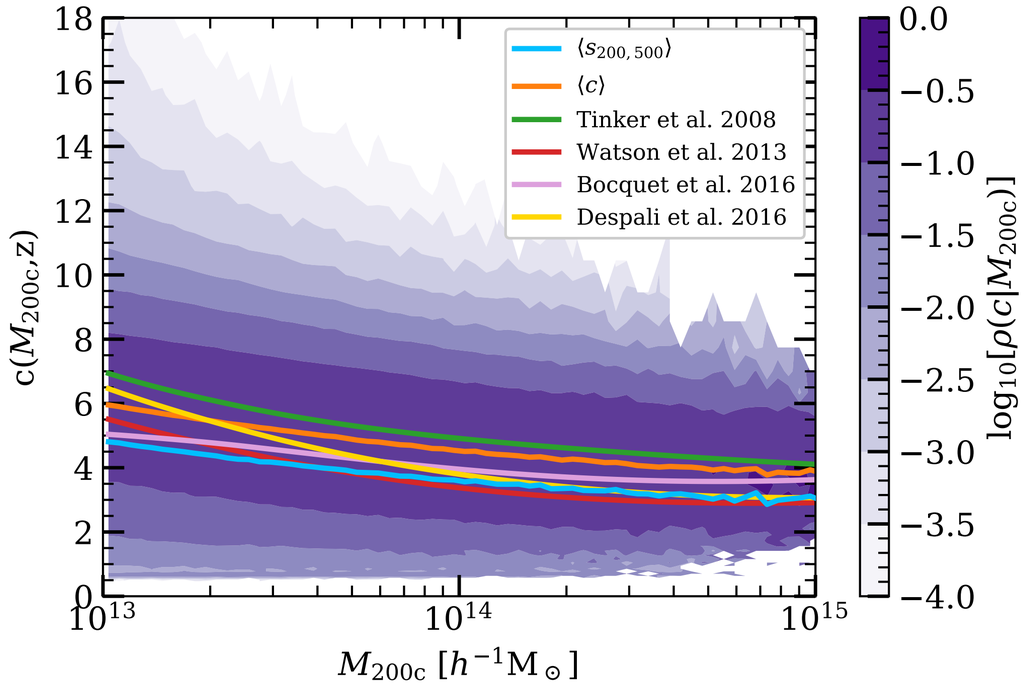

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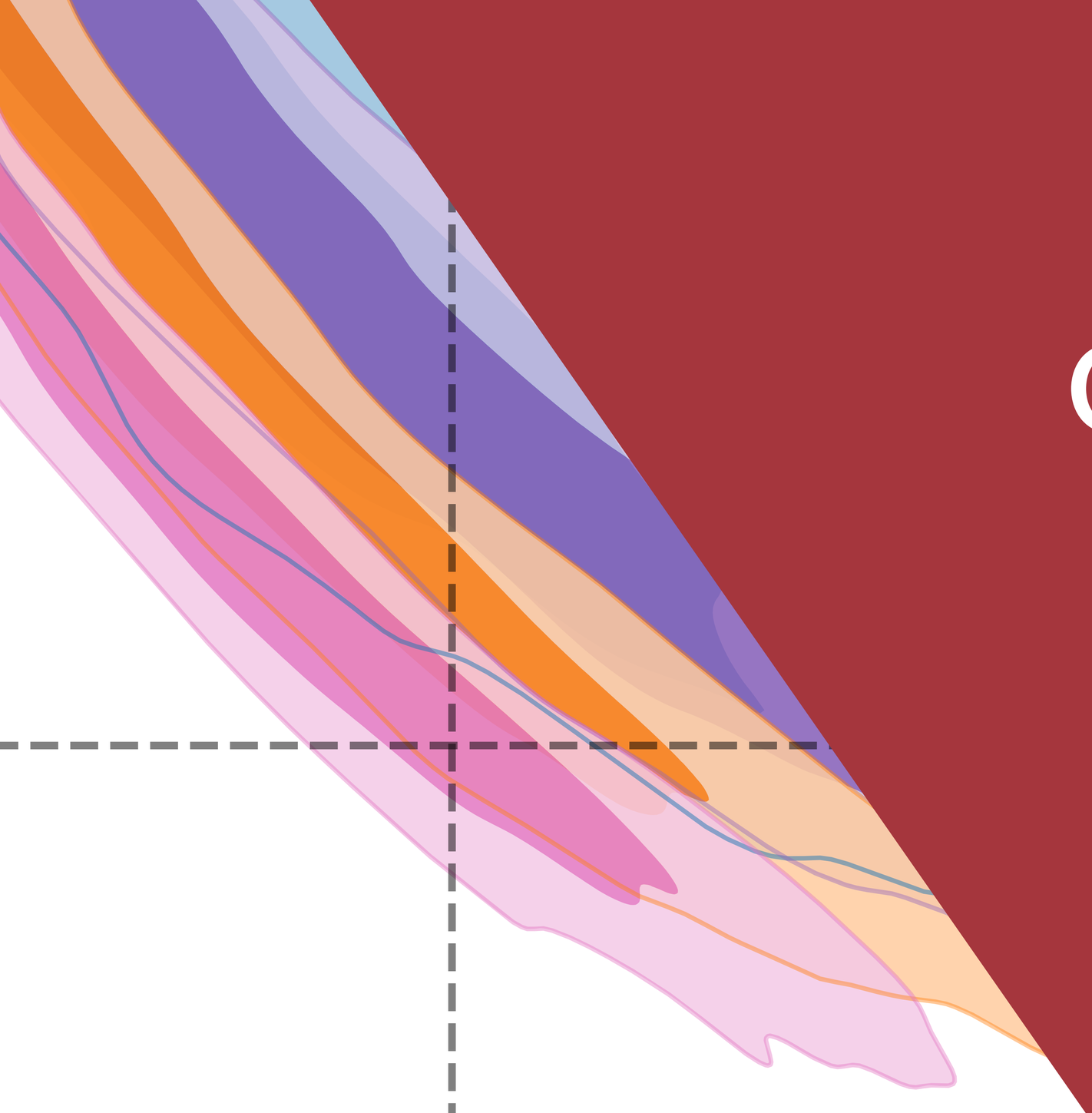

Cosmology with Sparsity

Good old fashion Cosmology

Gaussian likelihood obtained by solving,

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_2}} \mathrm{d}\ln M_{\Delta_2} = \langle s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2} \rangle \int \frac{\mathrm{d}n}{\mathrm{d}M_{\Delta_1}} \mathrm{d}\ln M_{\Delta_1},$$

Balmès et al. 2014

for $\langle s_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2} \rangle$ (*More about this tomorrow*)

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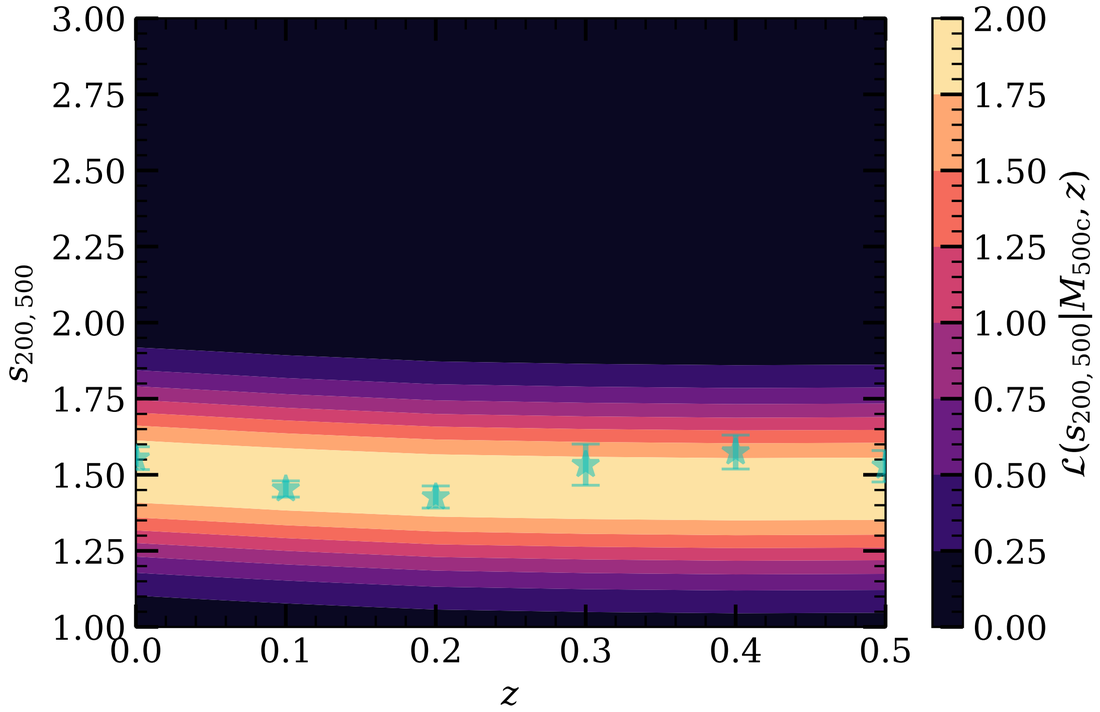

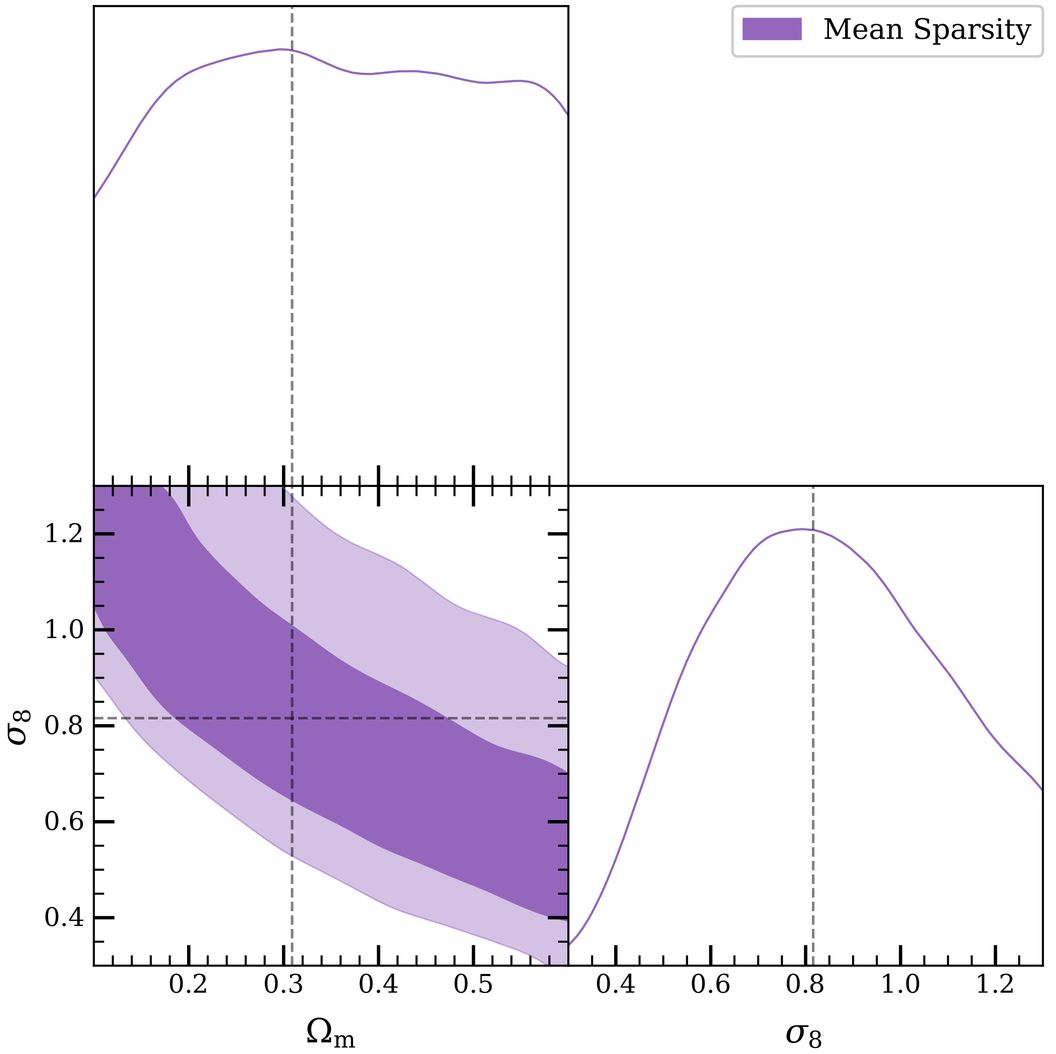

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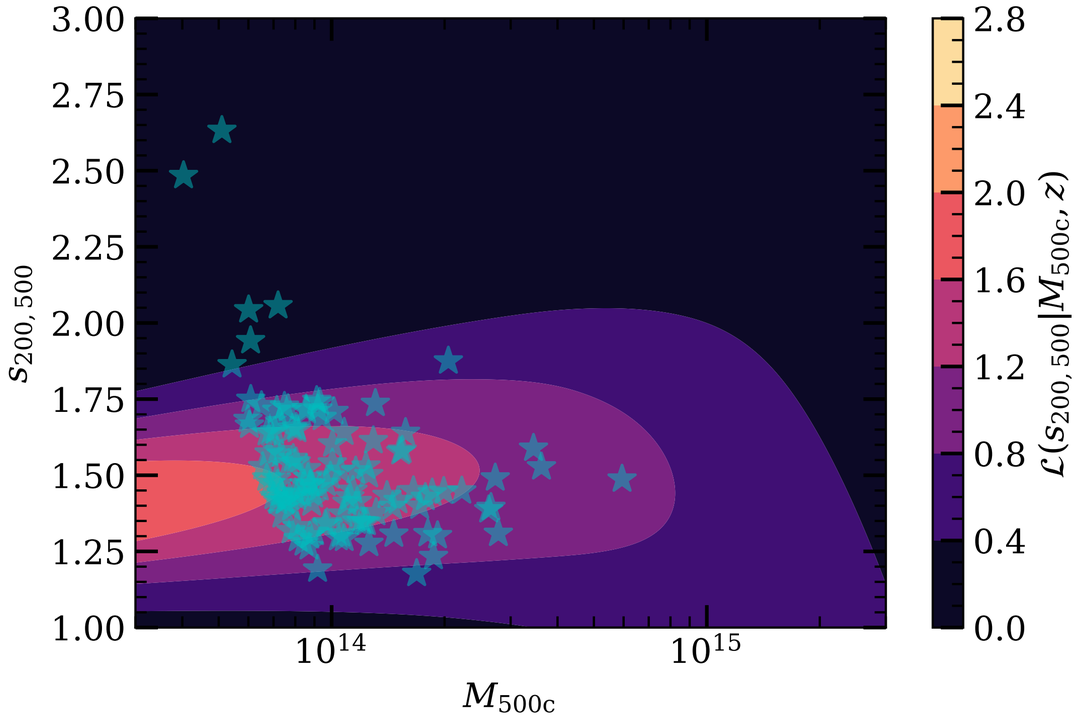

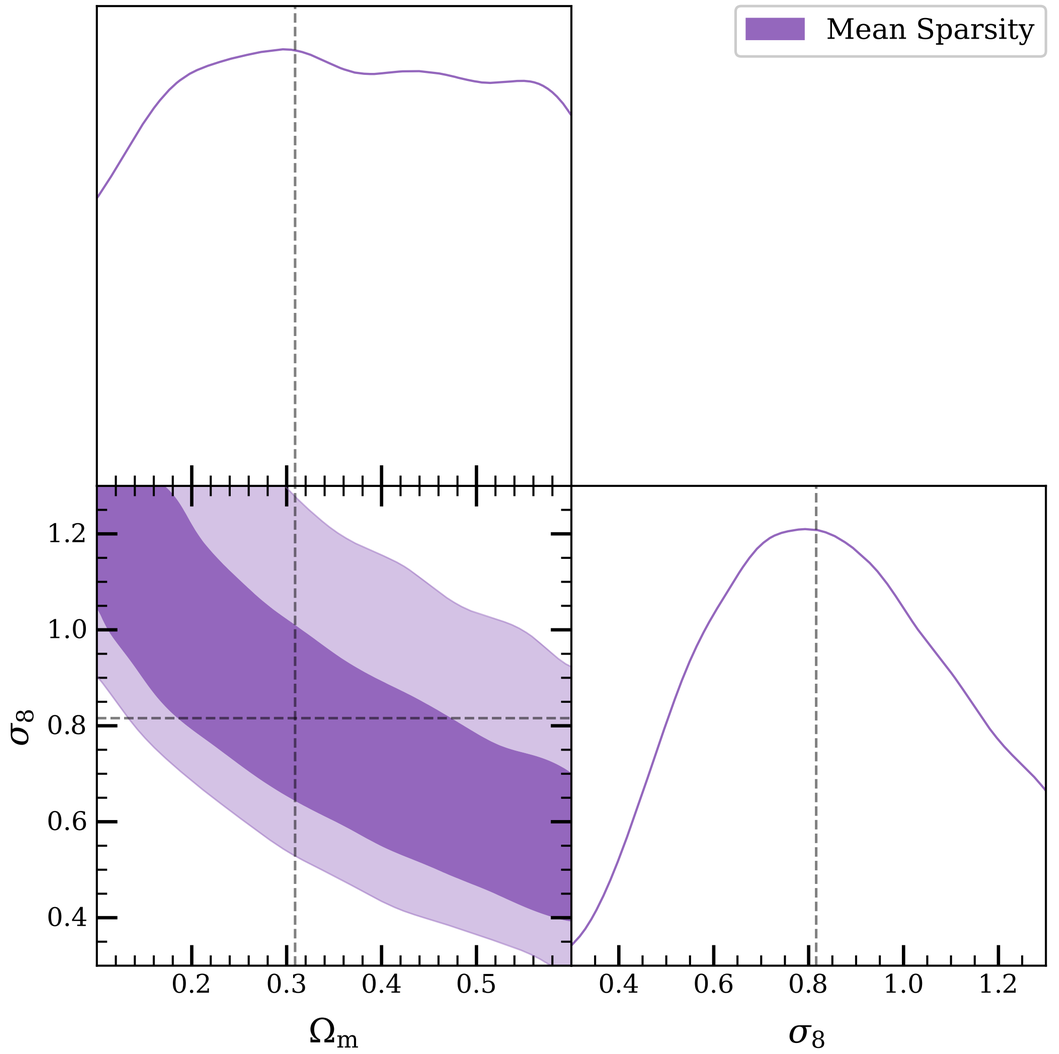

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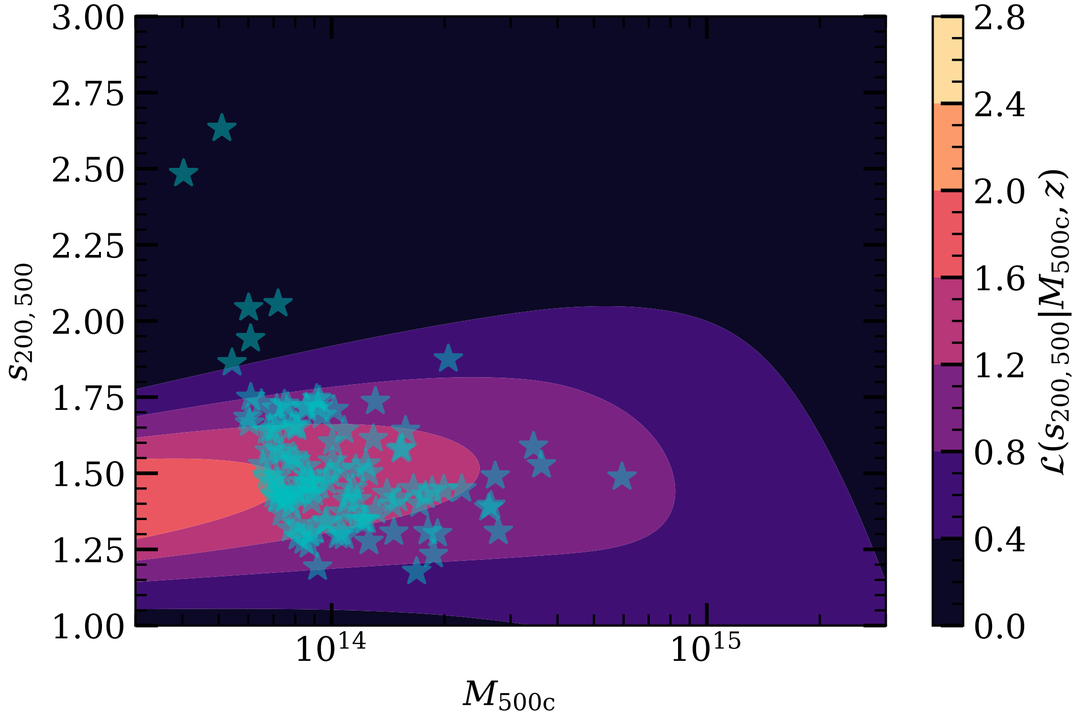
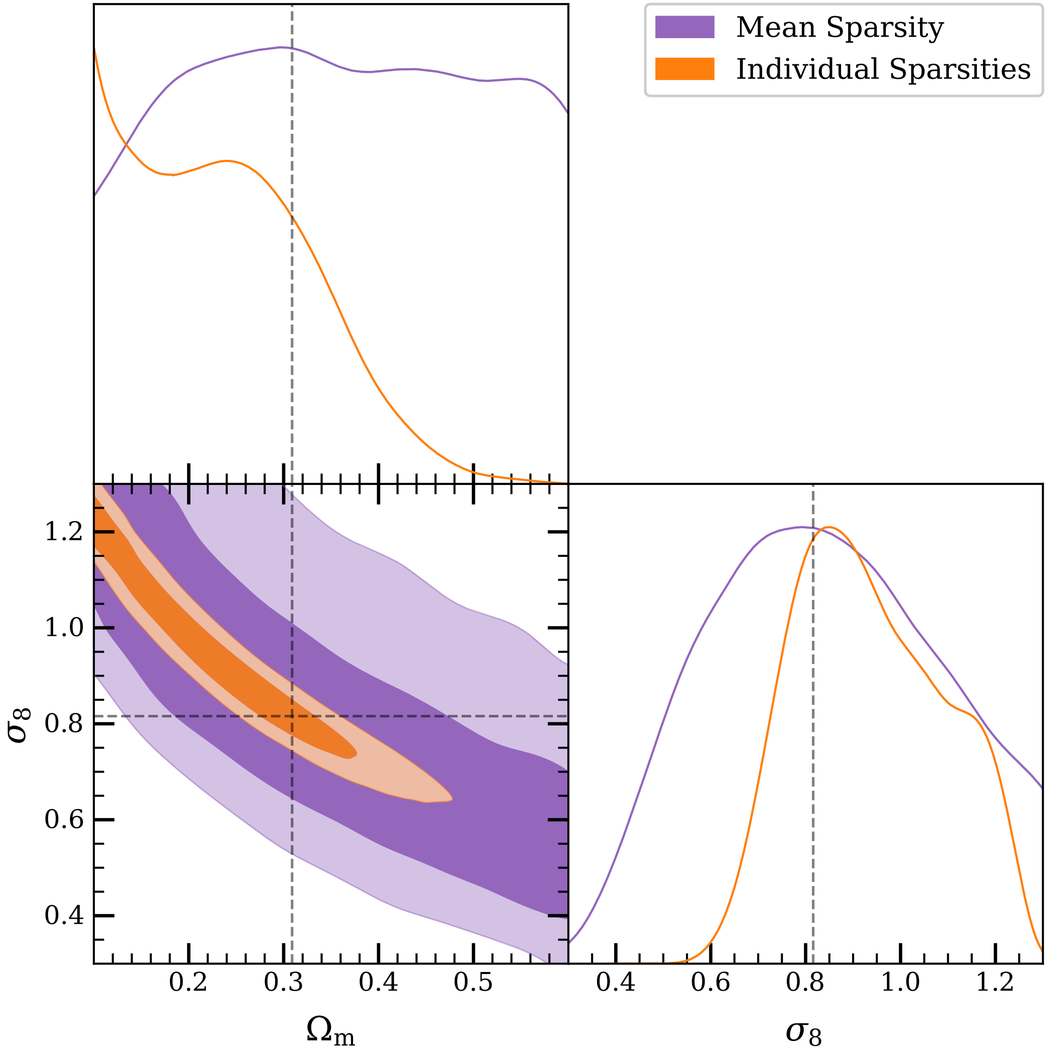
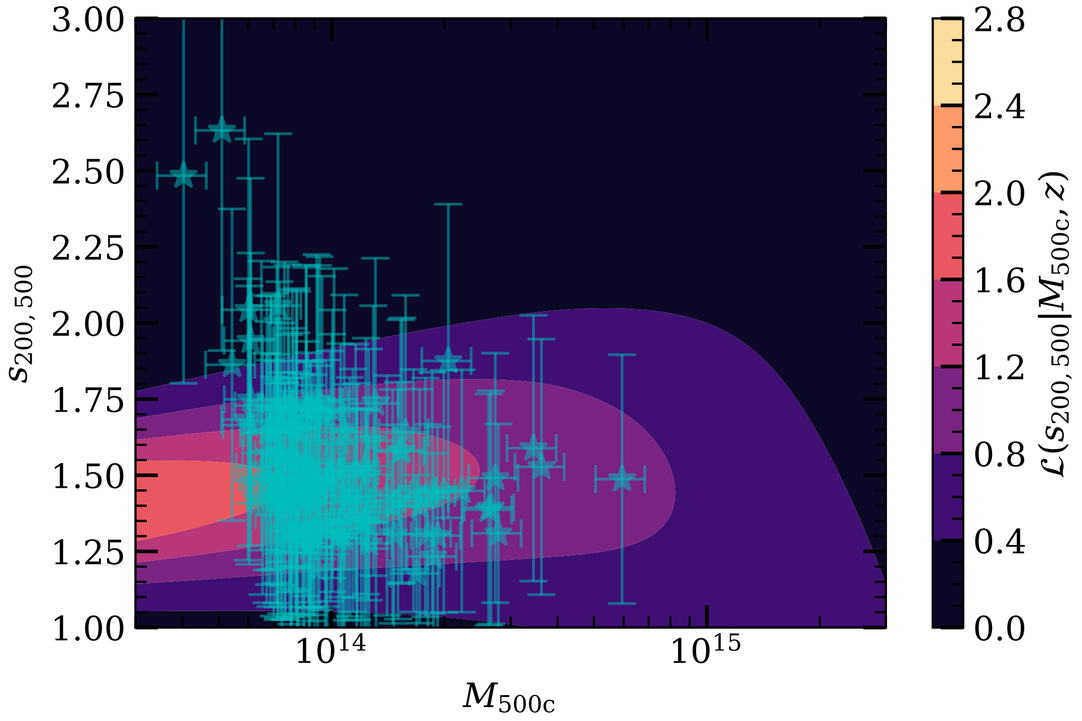


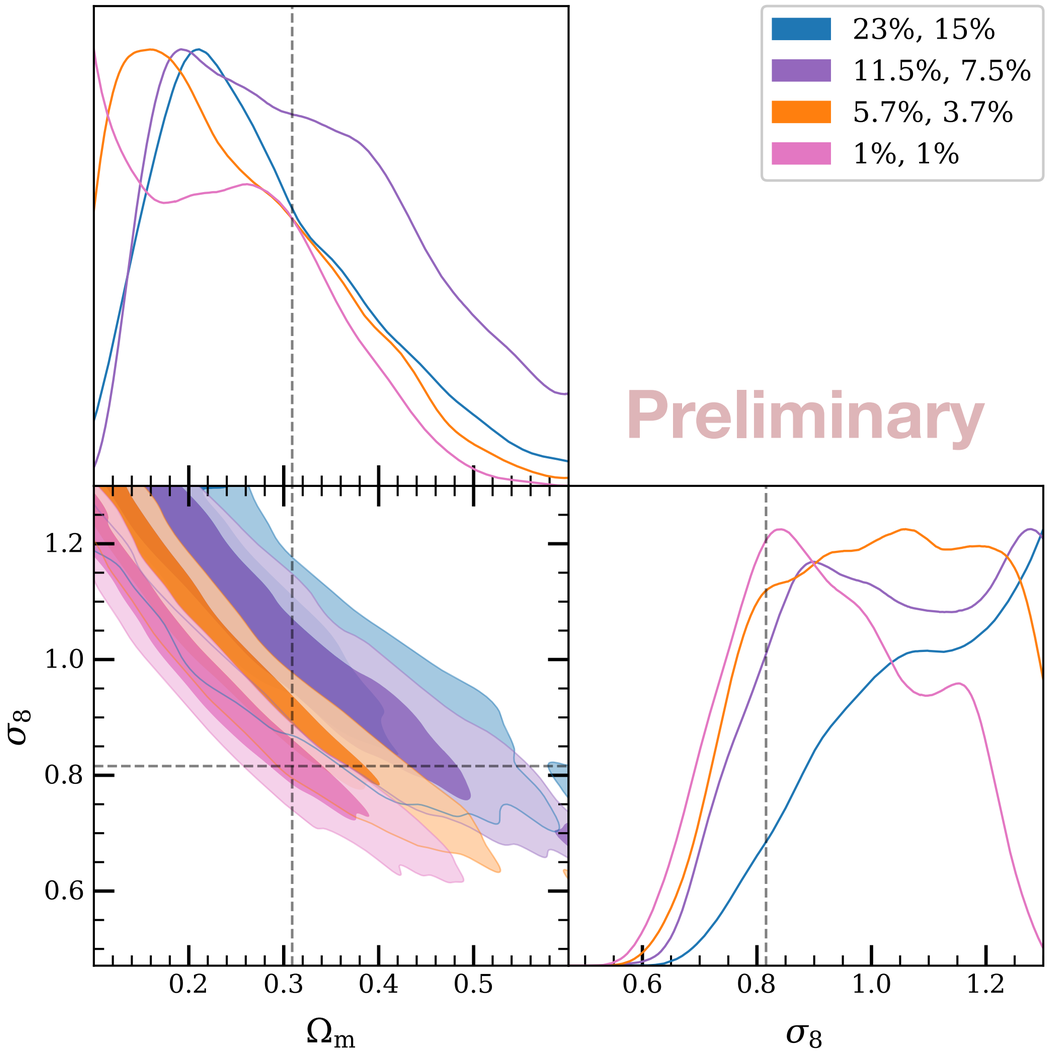


Too good to be true?

What about measurement errors?

Marginalising over realistic errors decreases the constraining power and introduces a bias towards large S_8





Summary

The **non-parametric nature** and **simple definition** of halo sparsity make it ideal to study the relationship between haloes and cosmological background.

Indeed we've seen that sparsity can:

- **Detect** galaxy cluster major mergers
- **Recast** the Halo Mass Function from one mass definition to another
- **Constrain** cosmology using a restricted sample of cluster observations

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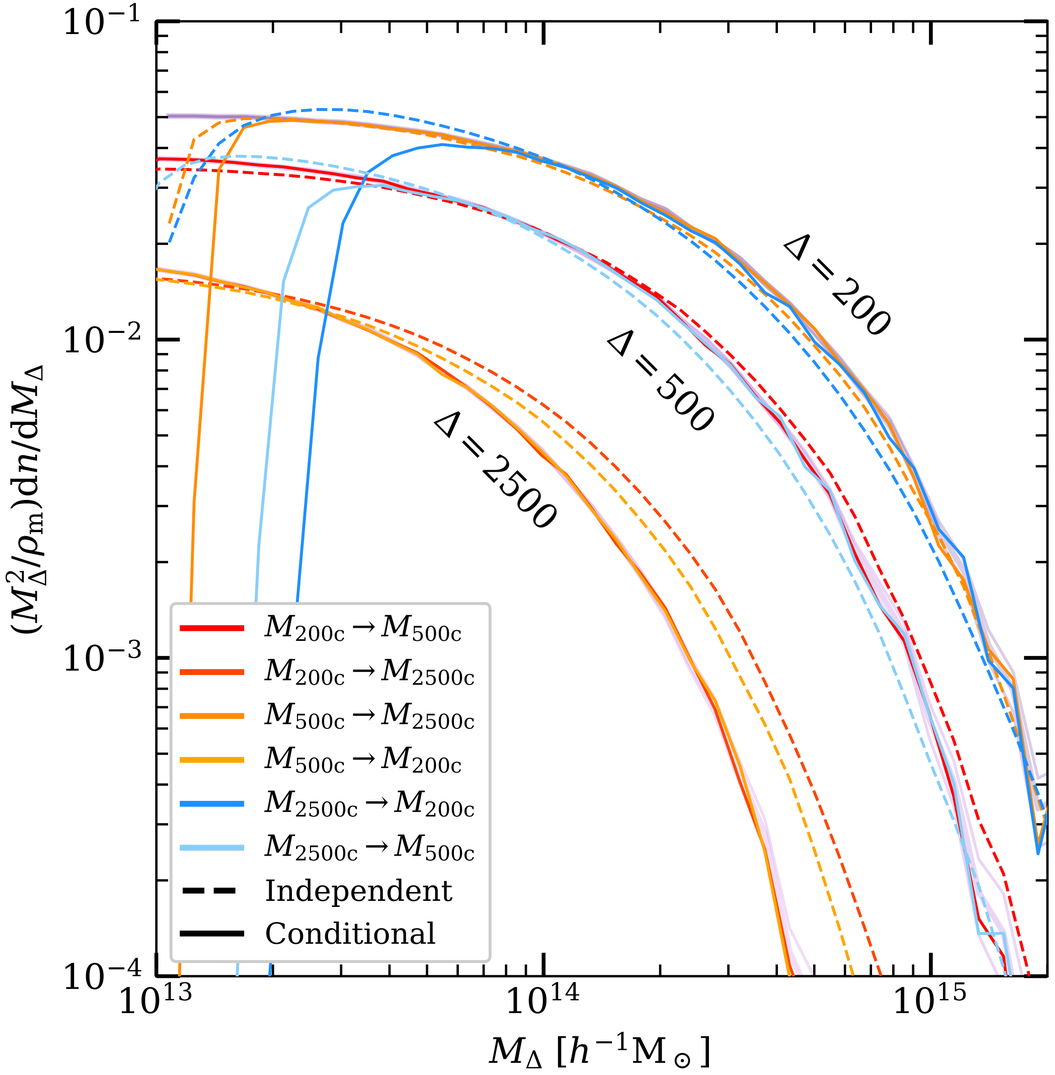

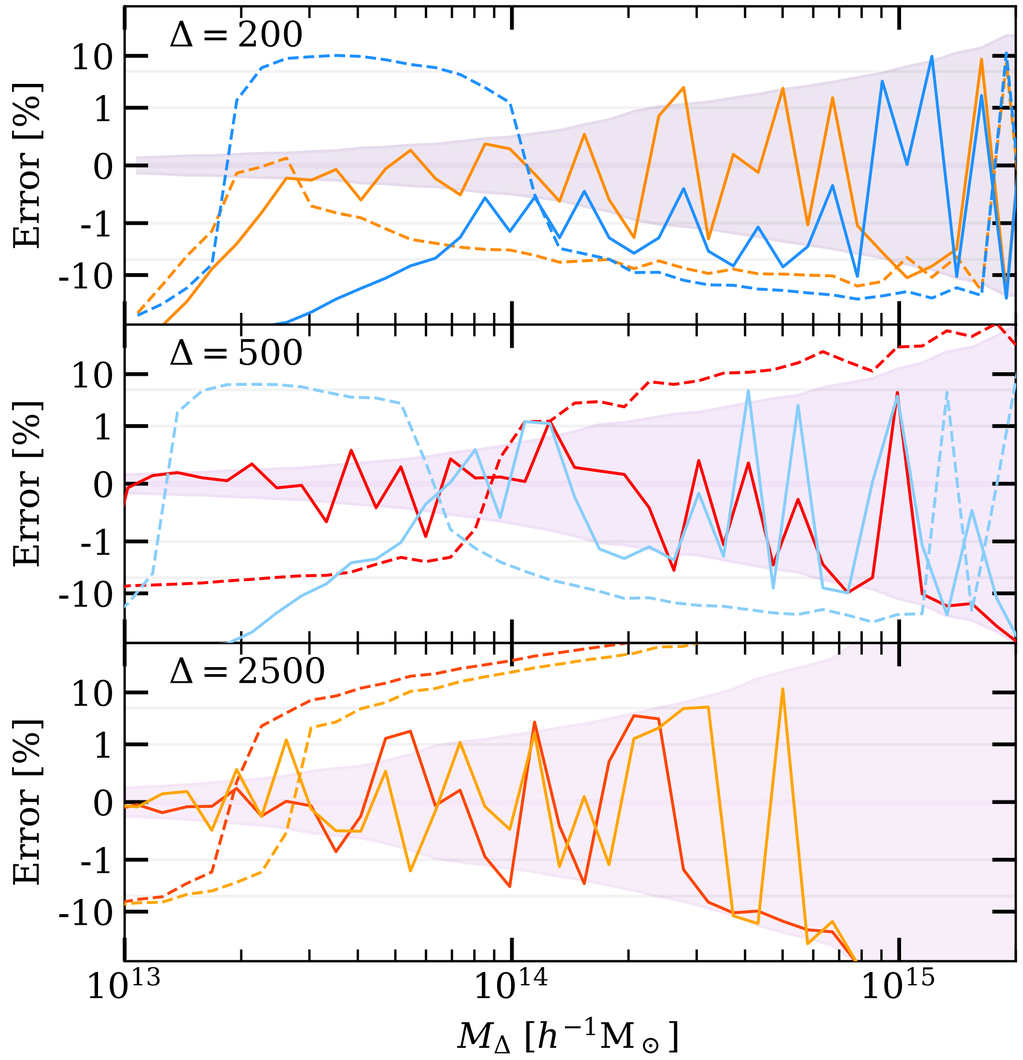

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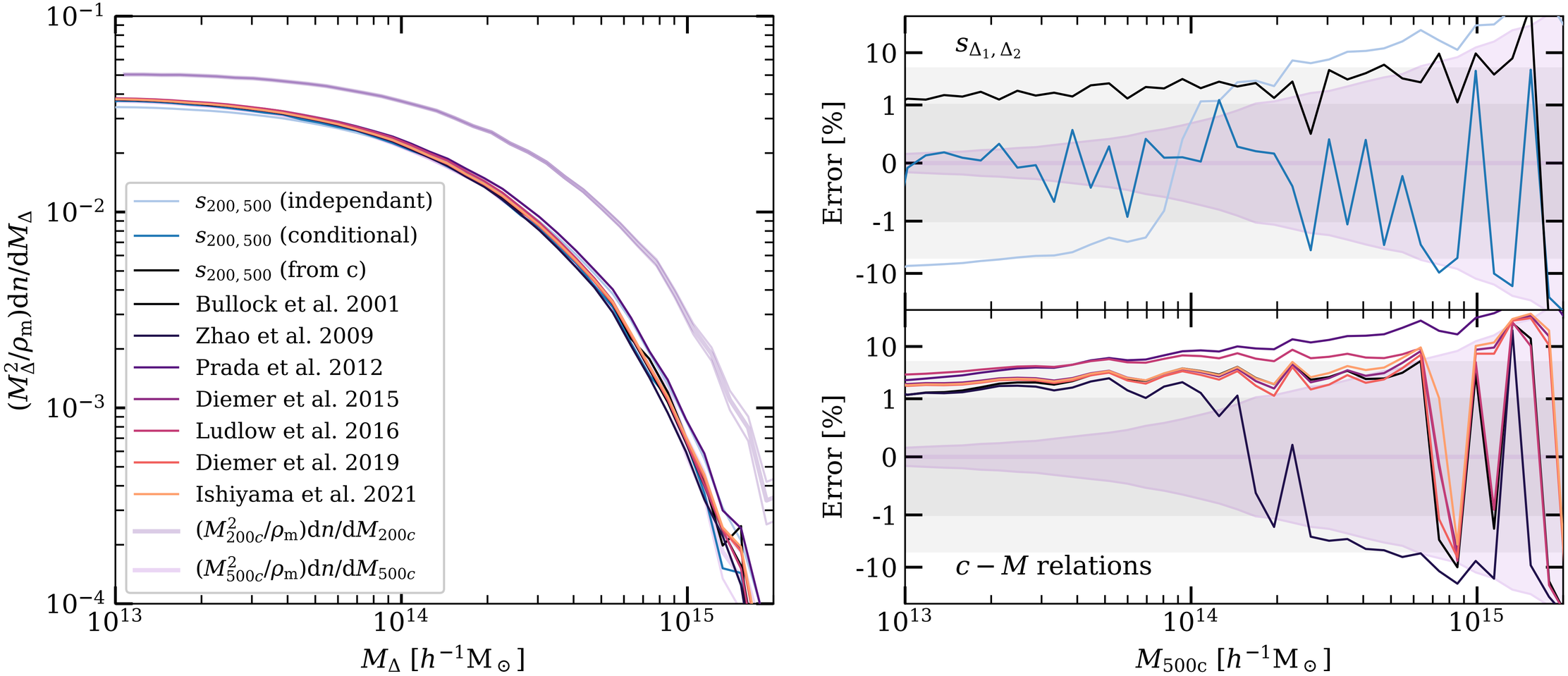
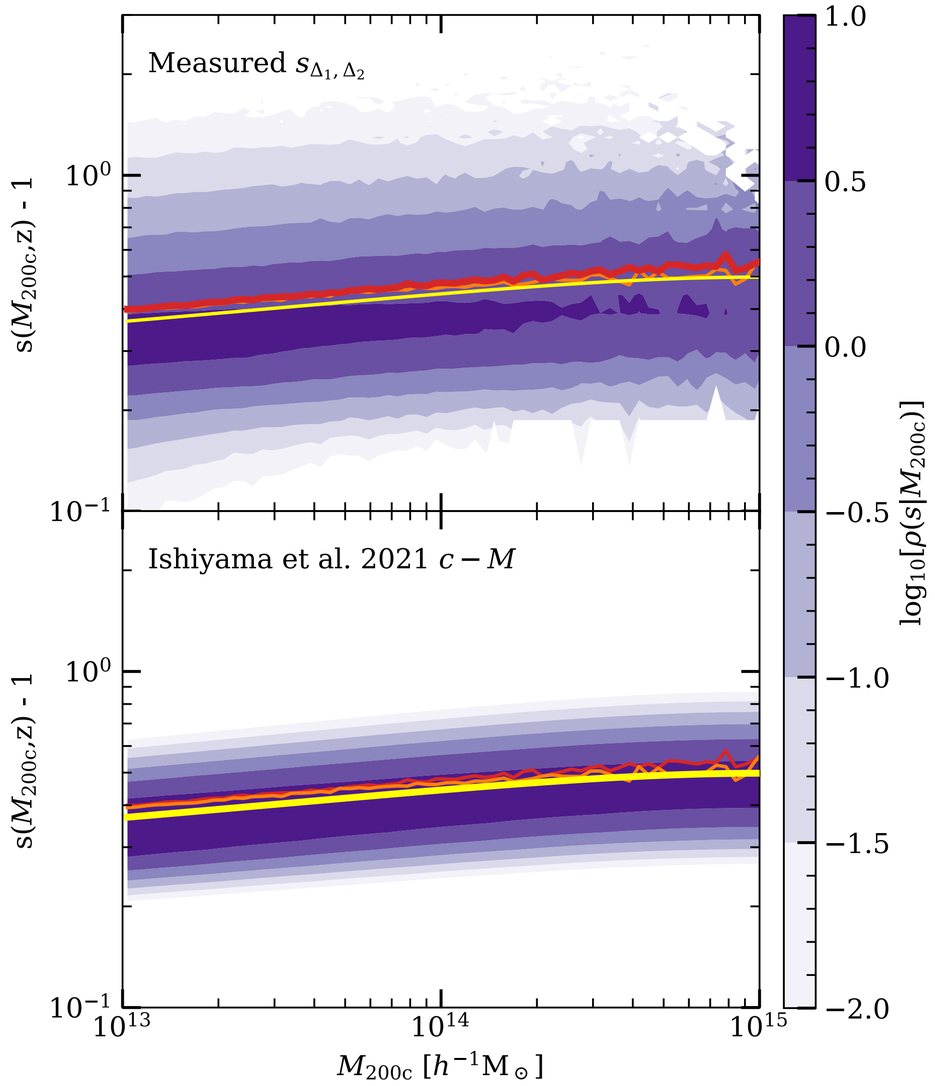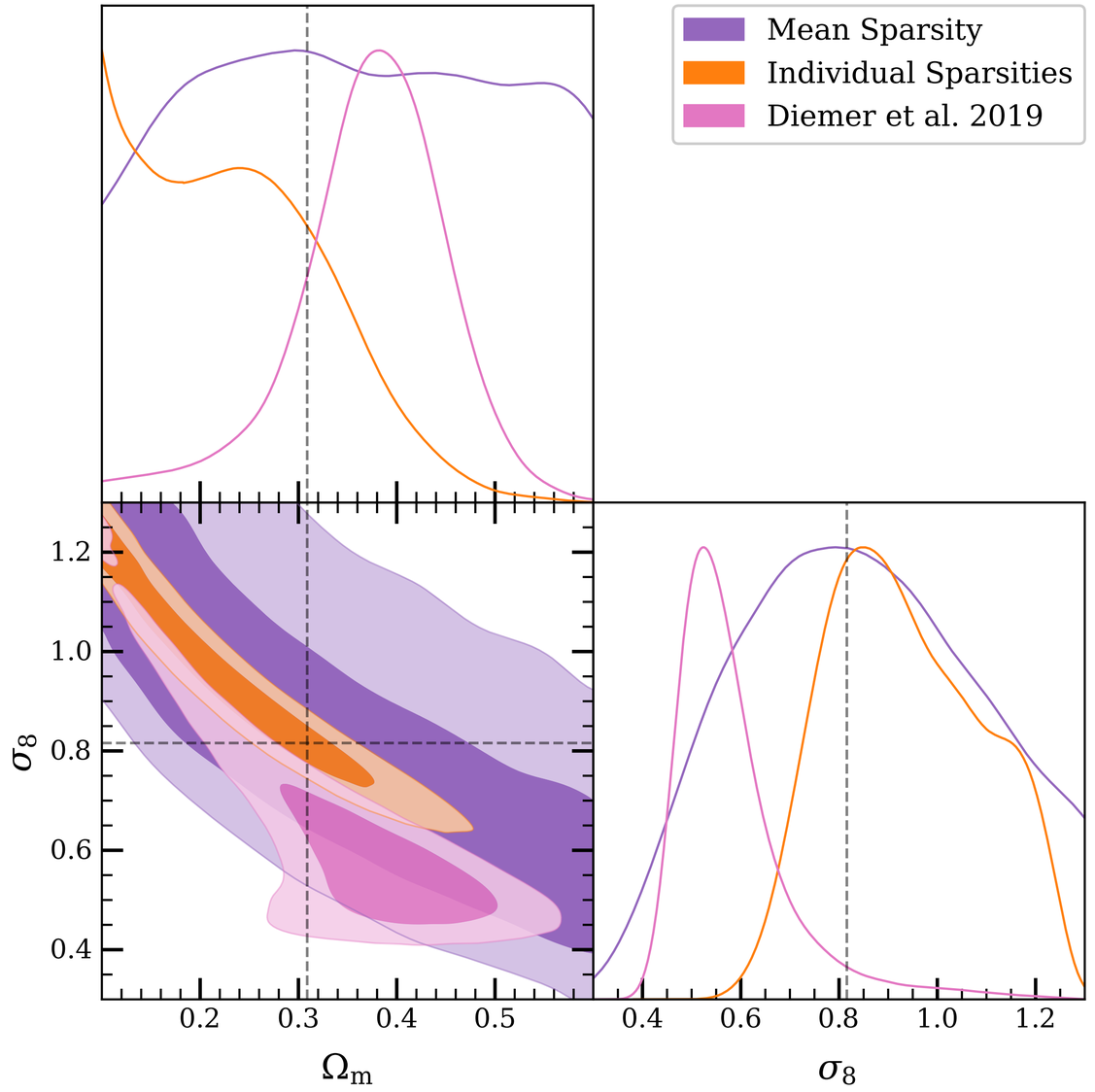
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