

# COMPUTATIONAL COSMOLOGY

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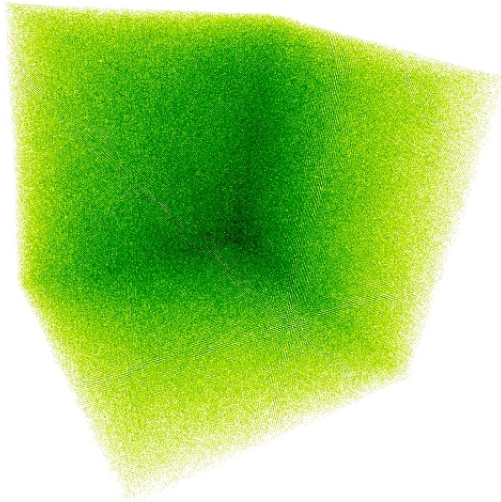


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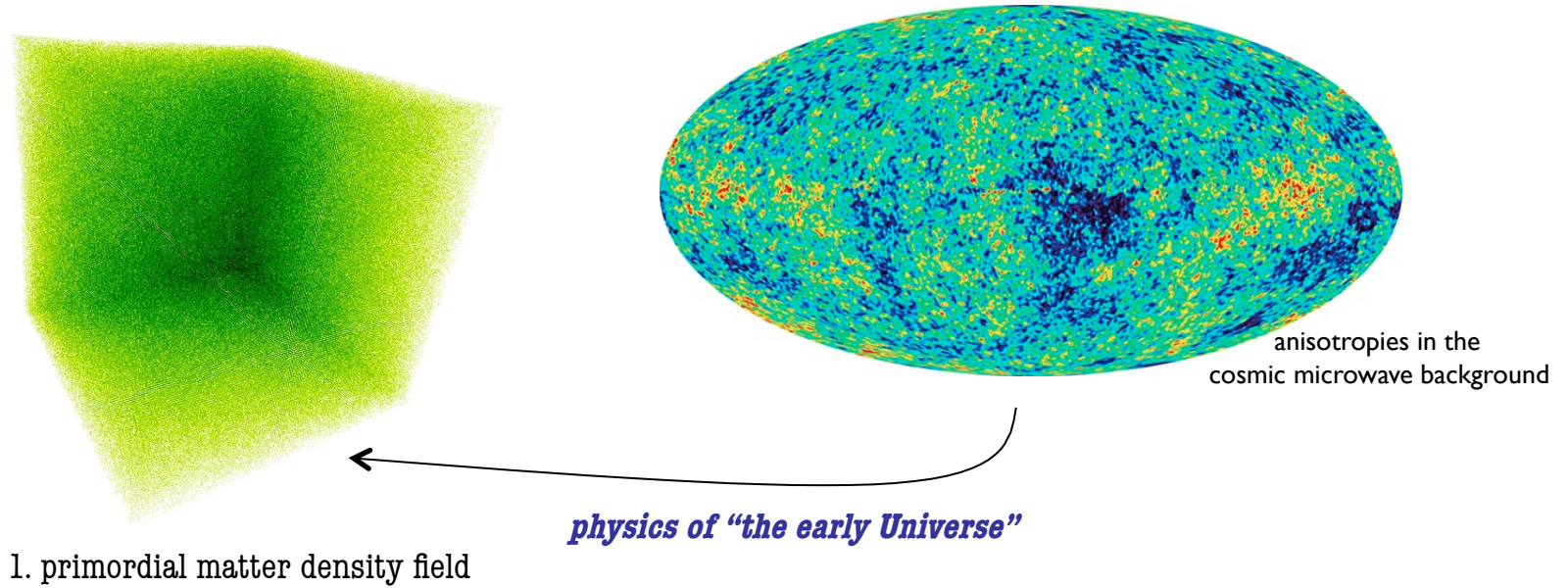
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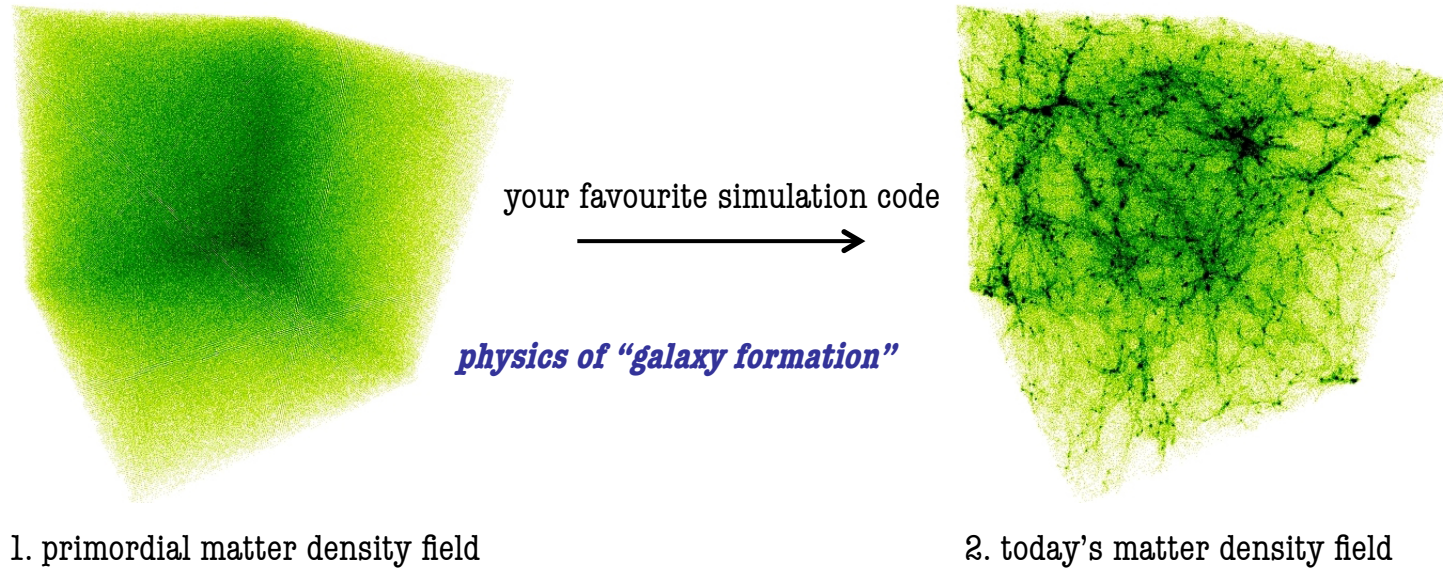


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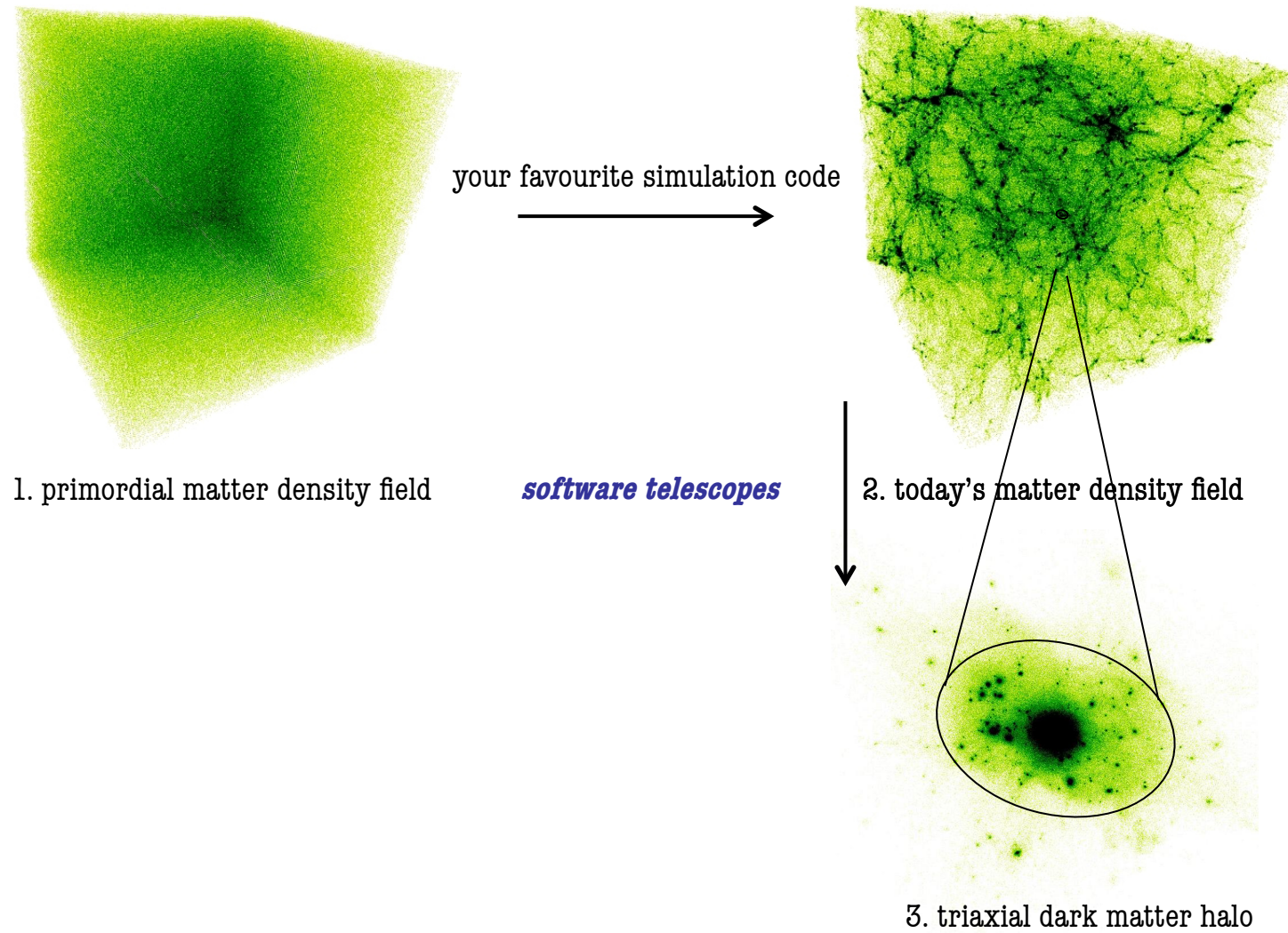
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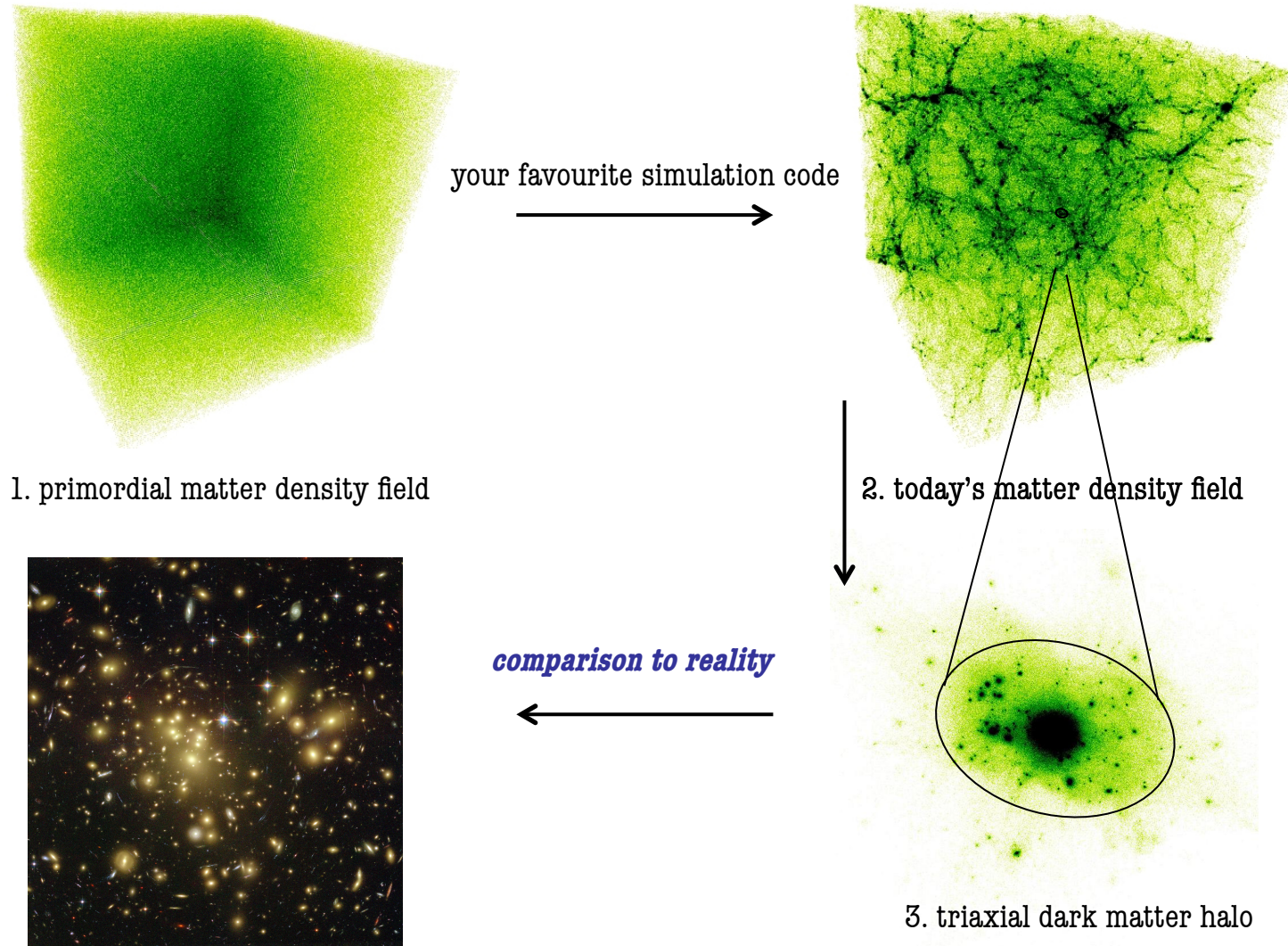


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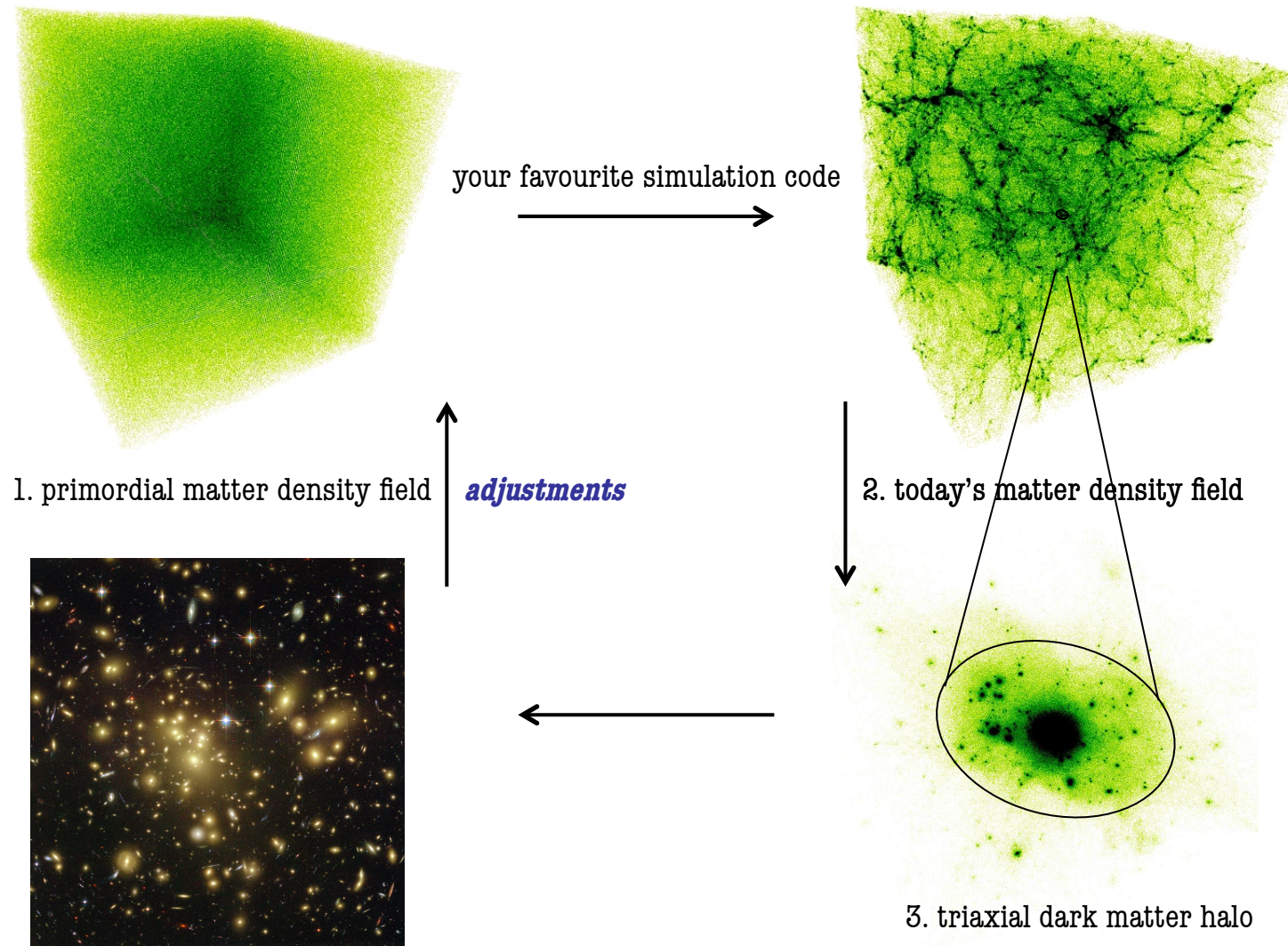




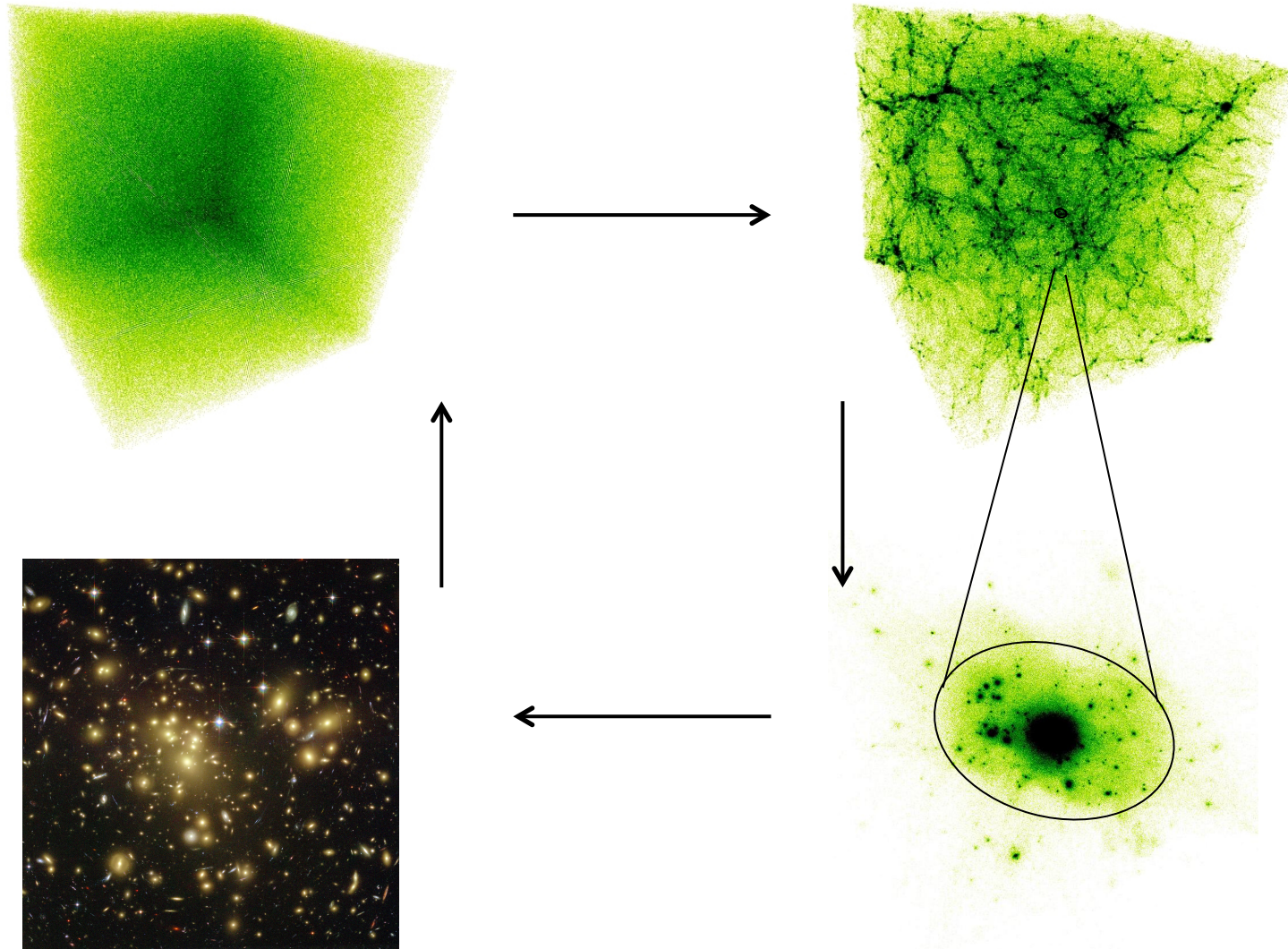
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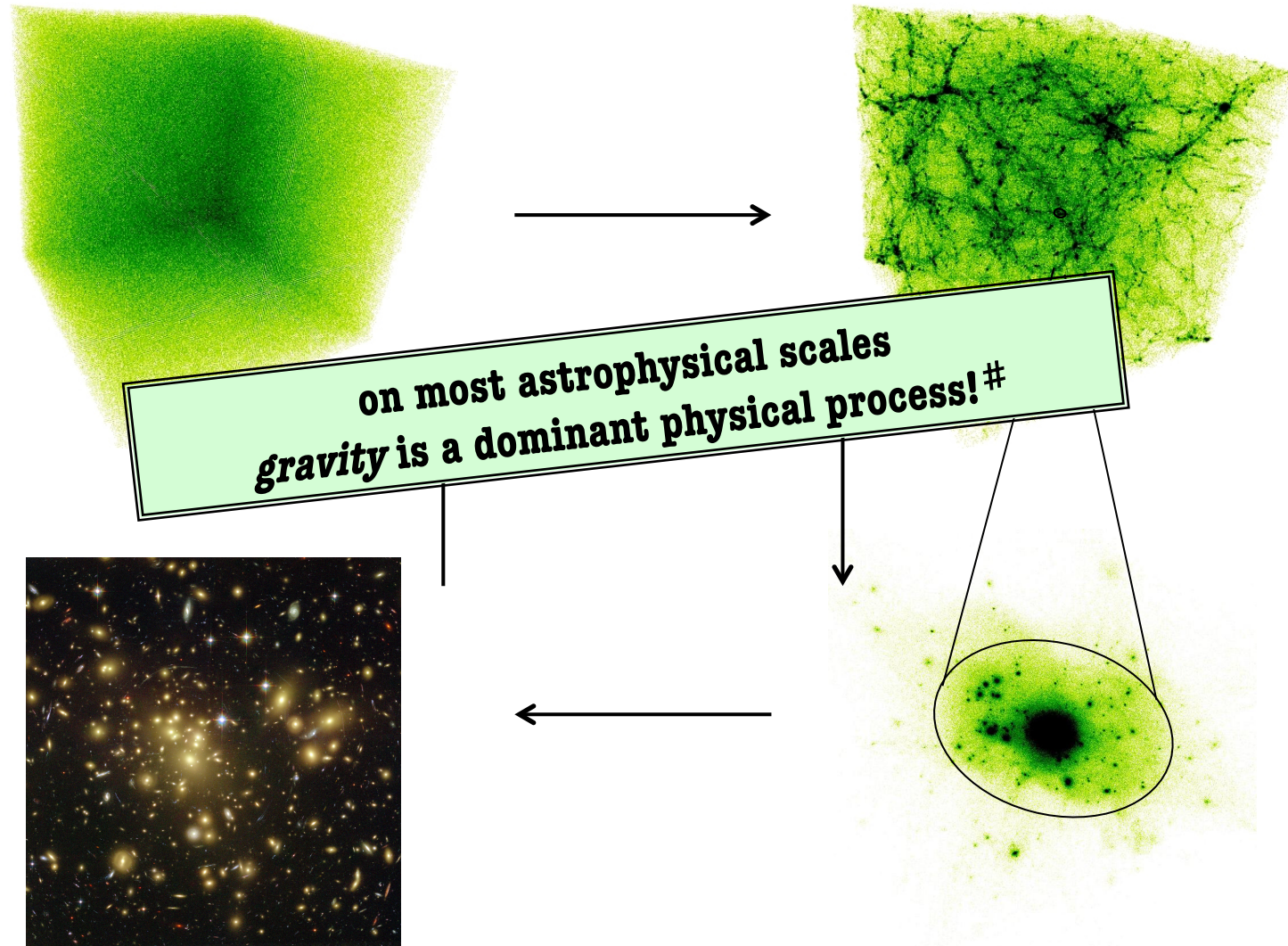
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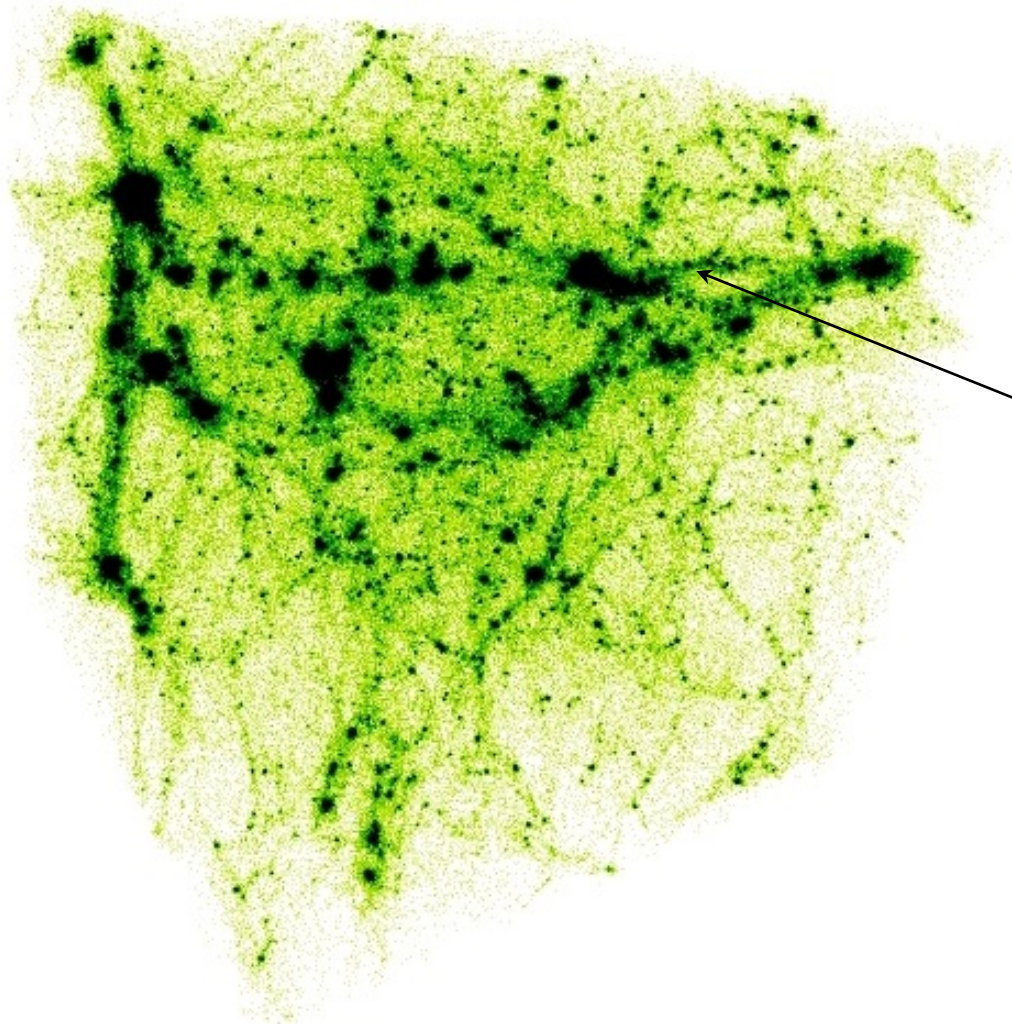
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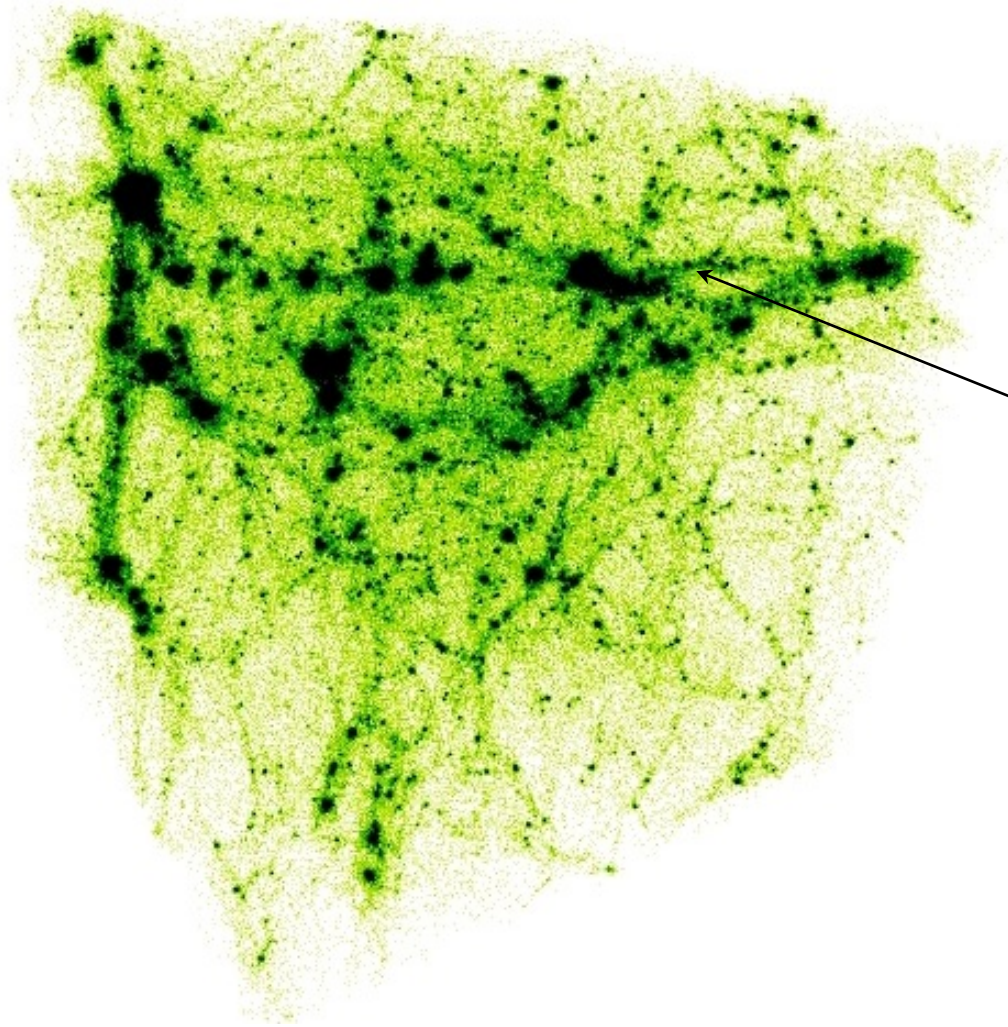


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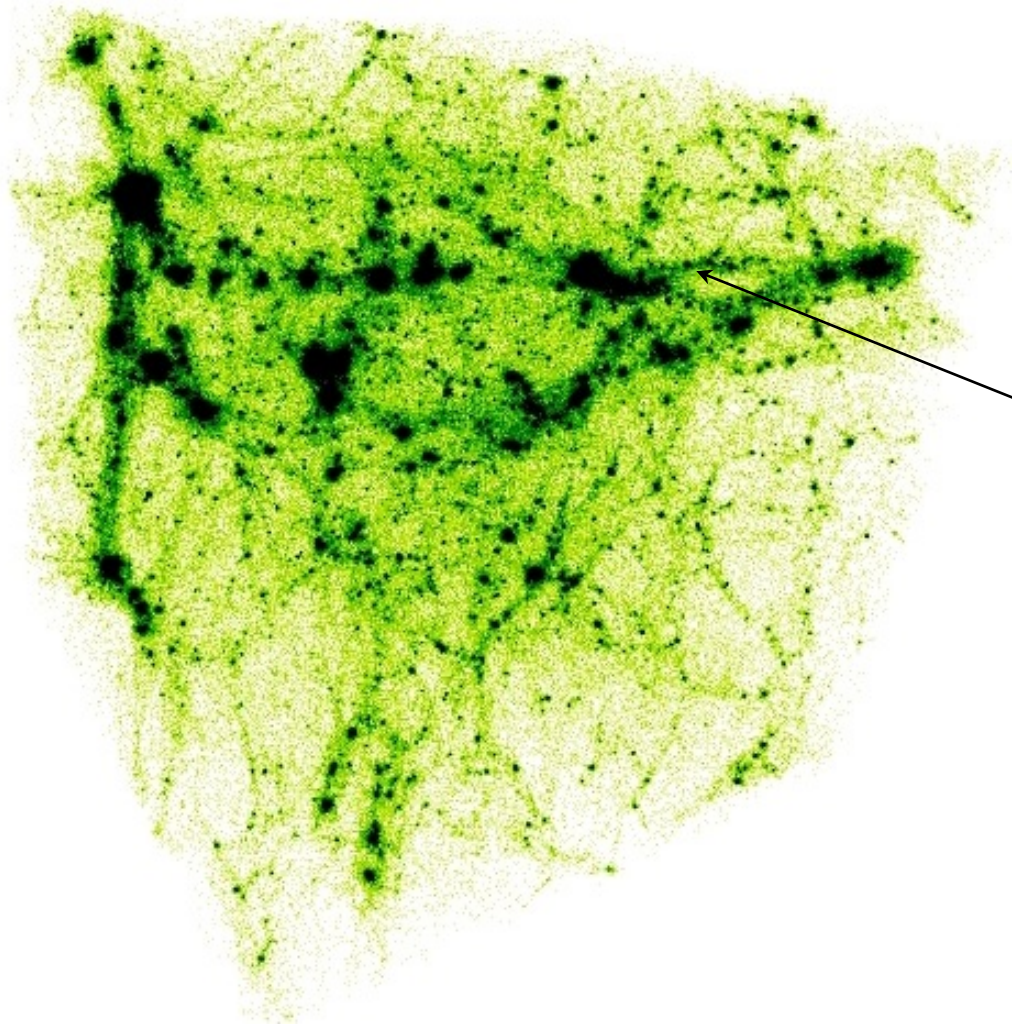
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<u>(non-baryonic) dark matter candidates</u>		
axion:	$10^{-5}$ eV	
neutrino:	10eV	
WIMP:	$1-10^3$ GeV	
monopoles:	$10^{16}$ GeV	
Planck relics:	$10^{19}$ GeV	$\ll 1g$
	???	

$$0.5 \text{ MeV} \approx 9 \cdot 10^{-28} g$$



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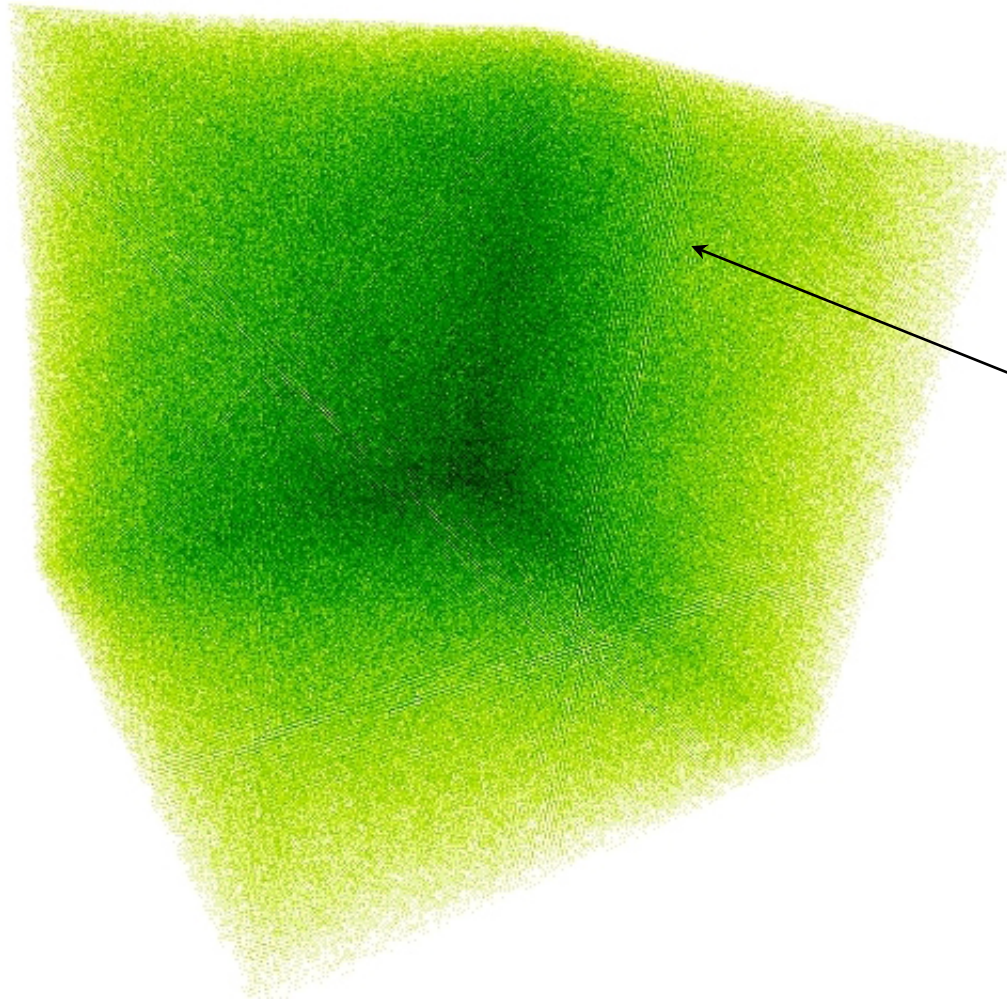
$$\rho = \frac{Nm_{\text{simu}}}{B^3} = \Omega_0 \rho_{\text{crit},0} = \Omega_0 \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\text{simu}} = \Omega_0 \frac{3H_0^2 B^3}{8\pi G N}$$

$$B \approx 50 \text{ Mpc} , \quad N \approx 1024^3$$

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how to obtain  $\vec{r}(t_0), \vec{v}(t_0)$  ?

(“generating initial conditions” lecture...)

why N-bodies?

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or in other words...

the evolution of the Universe is driven by the mean potential  
rather than two-body interactions of dark matter particles

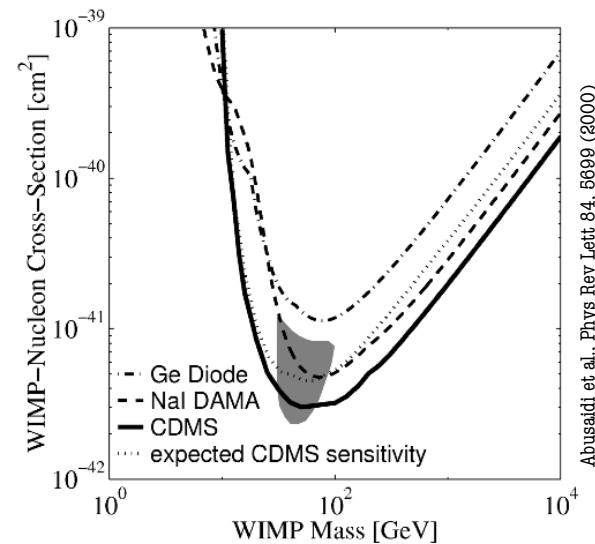
- mean free path of dark matter particles

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sigma &\approx 10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2 \\ m_{DM} &\approx 10^2 \text{ GeV} \approx 10^{-22} \text{ g} \end{aligned} \right\} \leftarrow$$

$$\rho_{crit} \approx 10^{-30} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}$$

$$\rho_{crit} = \frac{N m_{DM}}{V} = n m_{DM}$$

$$n \approx 10^{-8} \frac{1}{\text{cm}^3}$$



$$\lambda = \frac{1}{n \sigma} \approx \frac{1}{10^{-8} 10^{-42}} \text{ cm} = 10^{50} \text{ cm} \approx 10^{30} \text{ Mpc}$$

how to describe a collisionless system?

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- phase-space distribution function

$$f(\vec{r}, \vec{v}, t) d^3r d^3v$$

probability\* of finding a dark matter particle in the interval:

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**we require a differential equation for  $f$**   
**allowing us to compute its temporal evolution!**

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moments → MHD equations

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- clusters of galaxies  $N \sim 1000$  galaxies
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**collisions are (supposed to be) un-important!**  
*(the dynamics is dictated by the mean potential rather than close encounters...)*

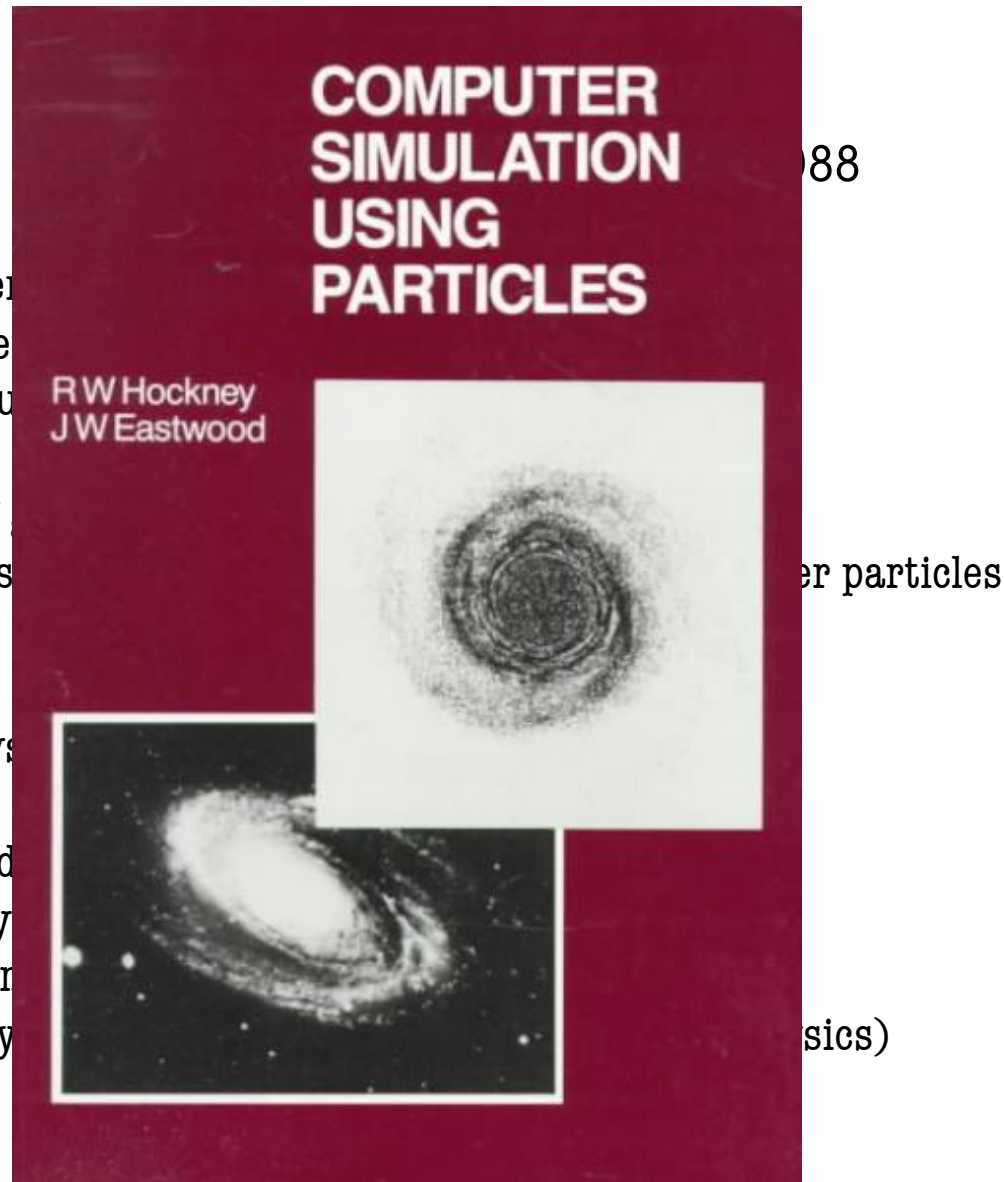
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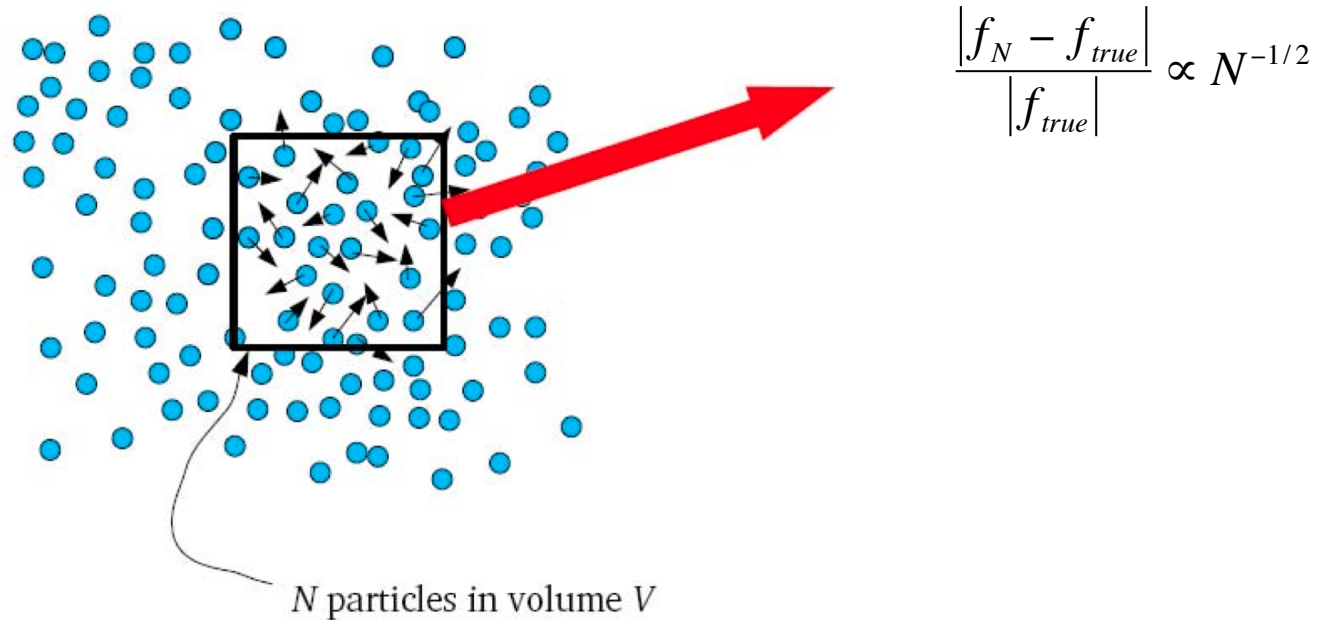
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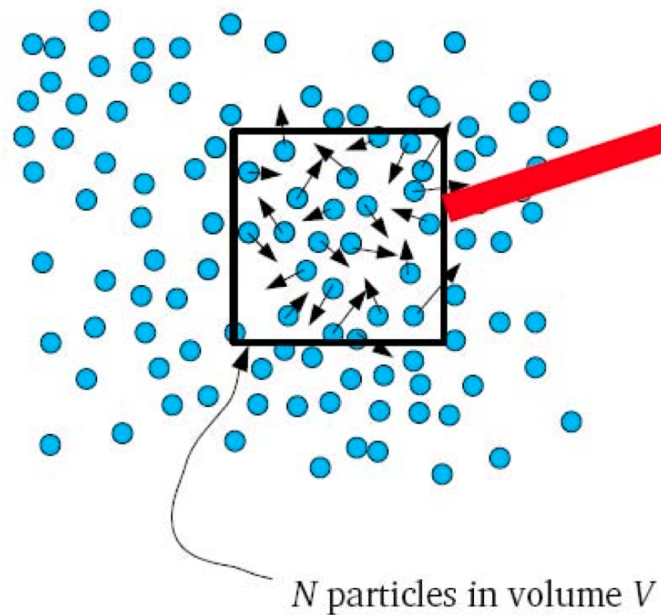
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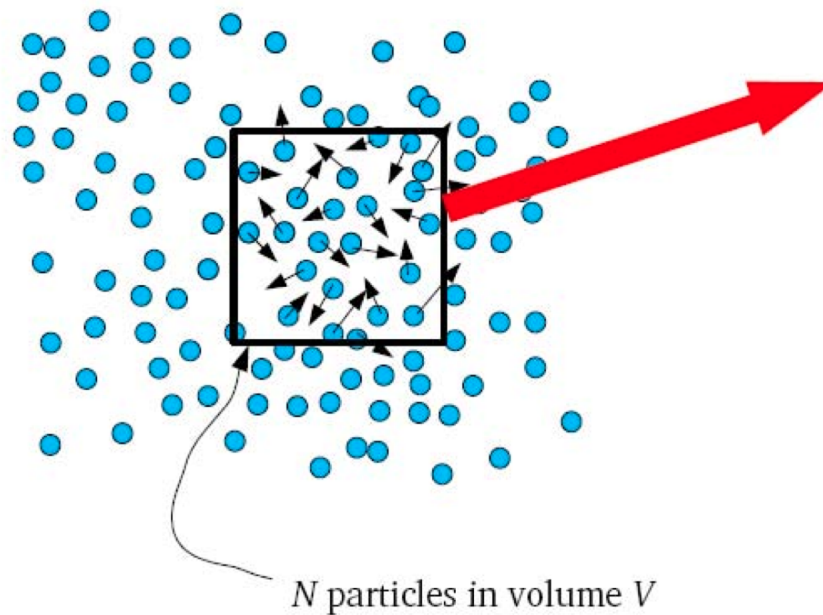
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**“shot- noise”**: error goes to zero for large  $N$

## ▪ particle representation

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but how to solve for  $f(r,v,t)$ ?



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the problems “reduces” to finding  $[r(t), v(t)]$  for a given initial value problem  $f(r_0, v_0)$

- initial value problem

the initial values

$$f(\vec{r}(t_0), \vec{v}(t_0))$$

Hamiltonian of the system

$$H = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + \Phi(\vec{r})$$

the equations of motion

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- N-body approach

1. sample  $f(r_i(t_0), v_i(t_0))$  with  $i=1, \dots, N$  points  $[r_i(t_0), v_i(t_0)]$
2. those  $[r_i(t), v_i(t)]$  obeying the equations-of-motion sample  $f(r_i(t), v_i(t))$

- consistency check...

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\vec{r}, H\} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{v}} & \xrightarrow{H = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + \Phi(\vec{r})} & \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \vec{v} \\ \{\vec{v}, H\} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \vec{r}} & & \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla\Phi \end{array} \xrightarrow{\vec{F} = -\nabla\Phi} \frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} = \vec{F}$$

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} solve by using...  
 {  
 ○ “particle” approach  
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*but what about collisions?*

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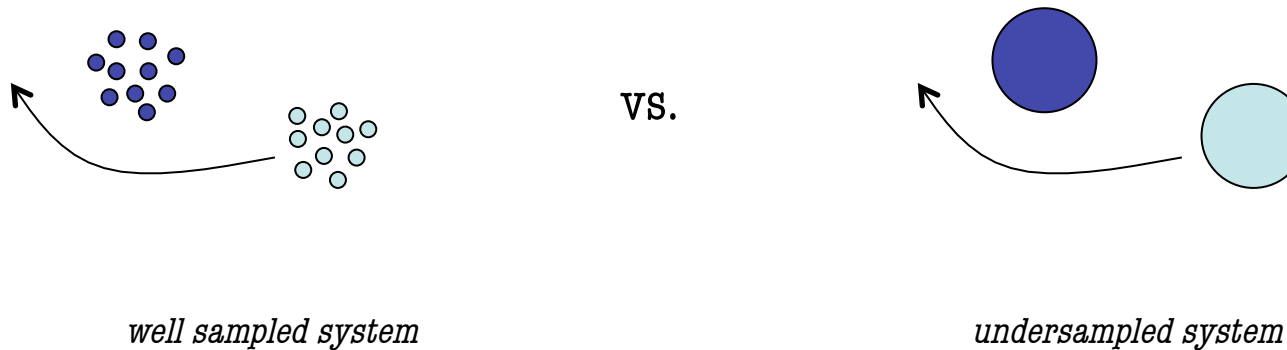
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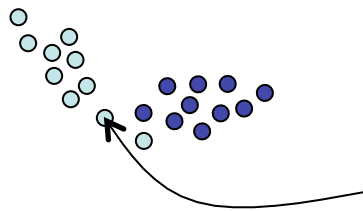
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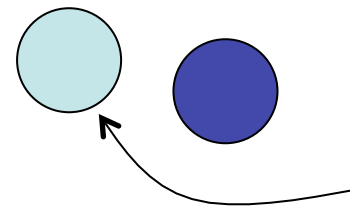


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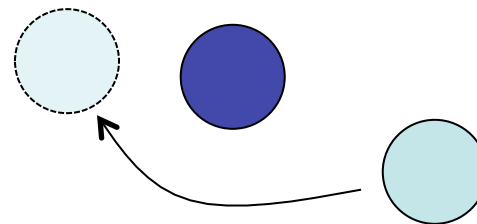
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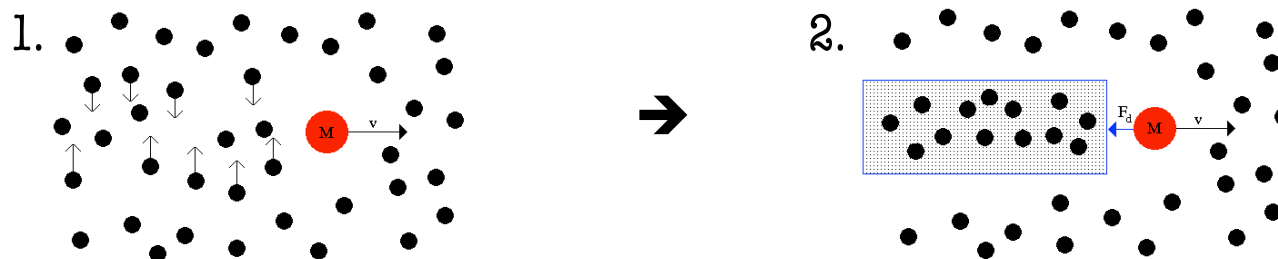
*undersampled system*

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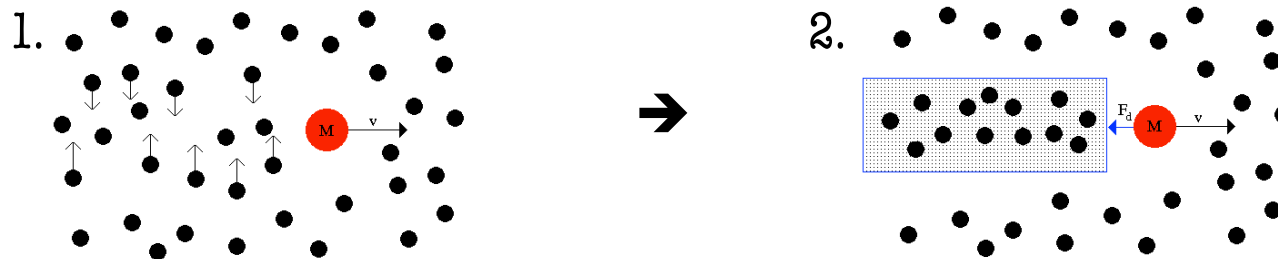




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**how to circumvent this effect?**

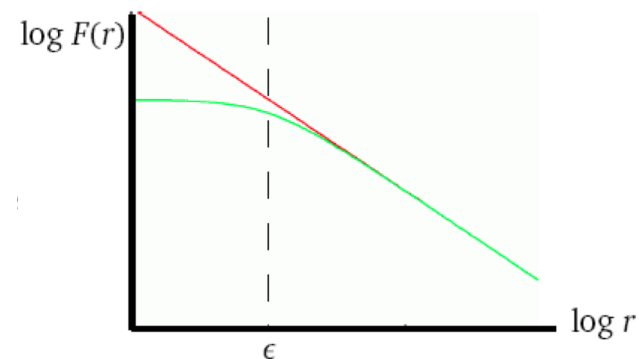
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- avoiding particle collisions...
  - larger  $N$ 
    - as high as the computer at your disposal allows!

- softened force law  $\epsilon$

$$- F(r) = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2 + \epsilon^2}$$



- smoothed potential

– e.g., low-order multipole expansion for spherical systems

- avoiding particle collisions...

- interplay between  $N$  and  $\varepsilon$

- $N=\text{const.}$ ,  $\varepsilon=\searrow$

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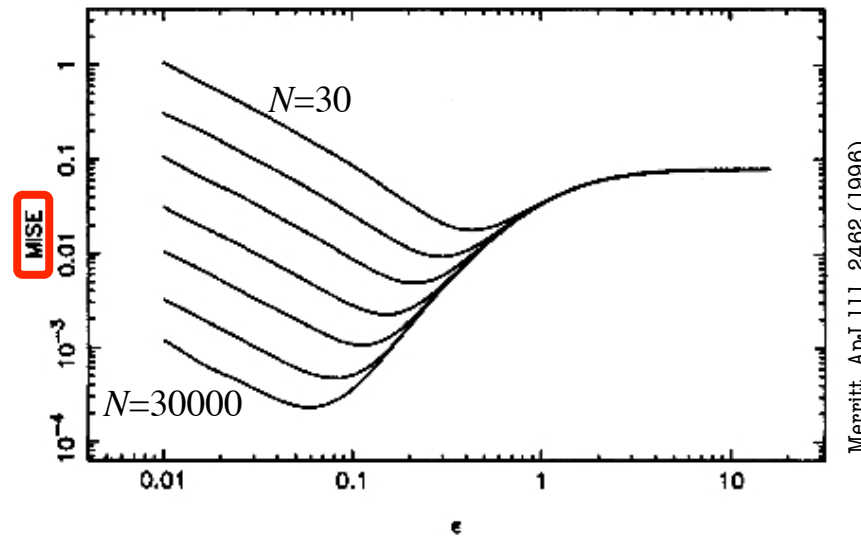
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some error measurement...



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- interplay between  $N$  and  $\epsilon$

- $N=\text{const.}, \epsilon \searrow$

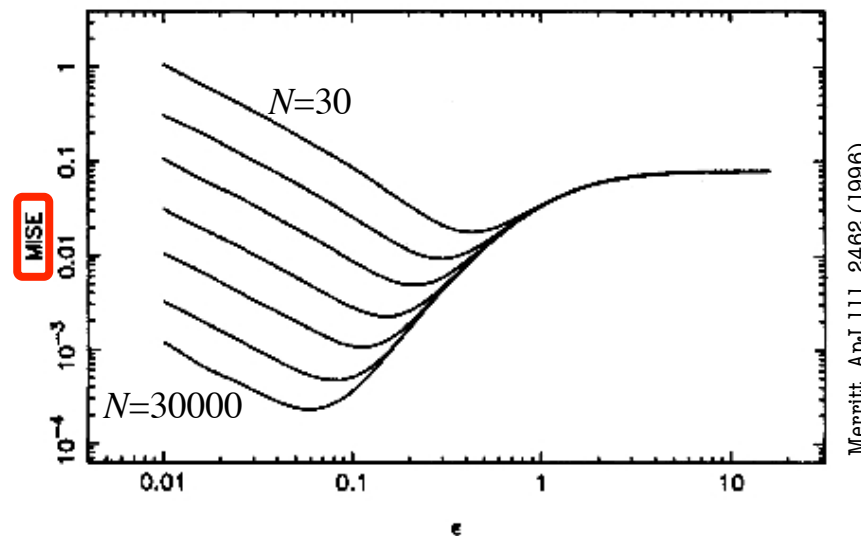
more unphysical two-body collisions

- $N \nearrow, \epsilon = \text{const.}$

minimising collisions, but no gain in spatial resolution

- increase  $N$  **and** decrease  $\epsilon$  according to  $N\epsilon^3 = \text{const.}^*$

some error measurement...



Merritt, ApJ 111, 2462 (1996)

- forward
- N-bodies
- Boltzmann equation
- collisions
- **magnetohydrodynamics**
- summary

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**moments → MHD equations**

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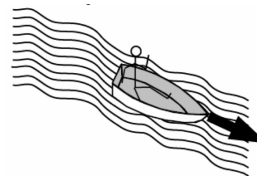
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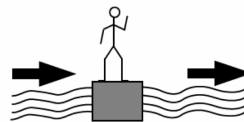
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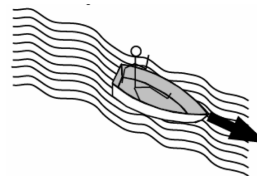
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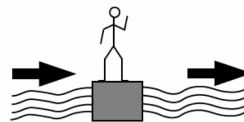
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*popular when MHD is coupled to a collisionless component,  
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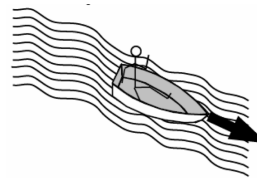
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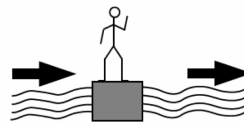
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*standard approach for decades across all disciplines...*

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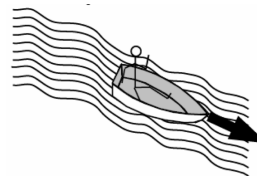
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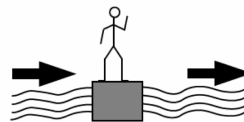
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*both have their advantages and drawbacks...*

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**casting the Boltzmann equation  
into integrateable form for  
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**leap-frog integration using N-body approach**  
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