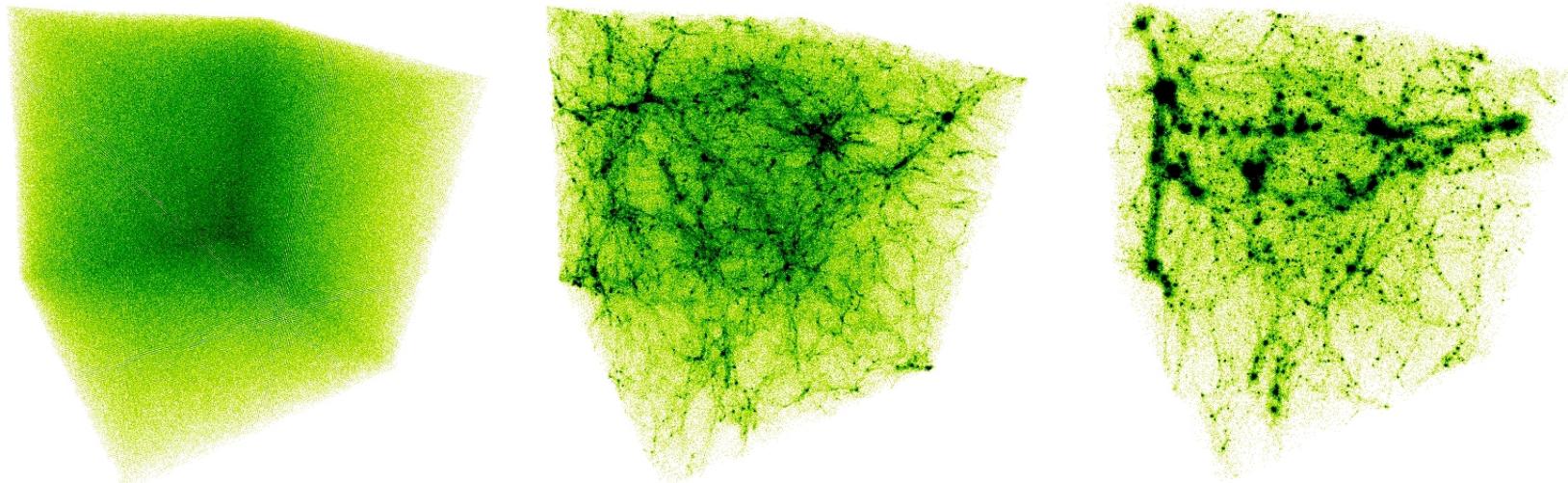


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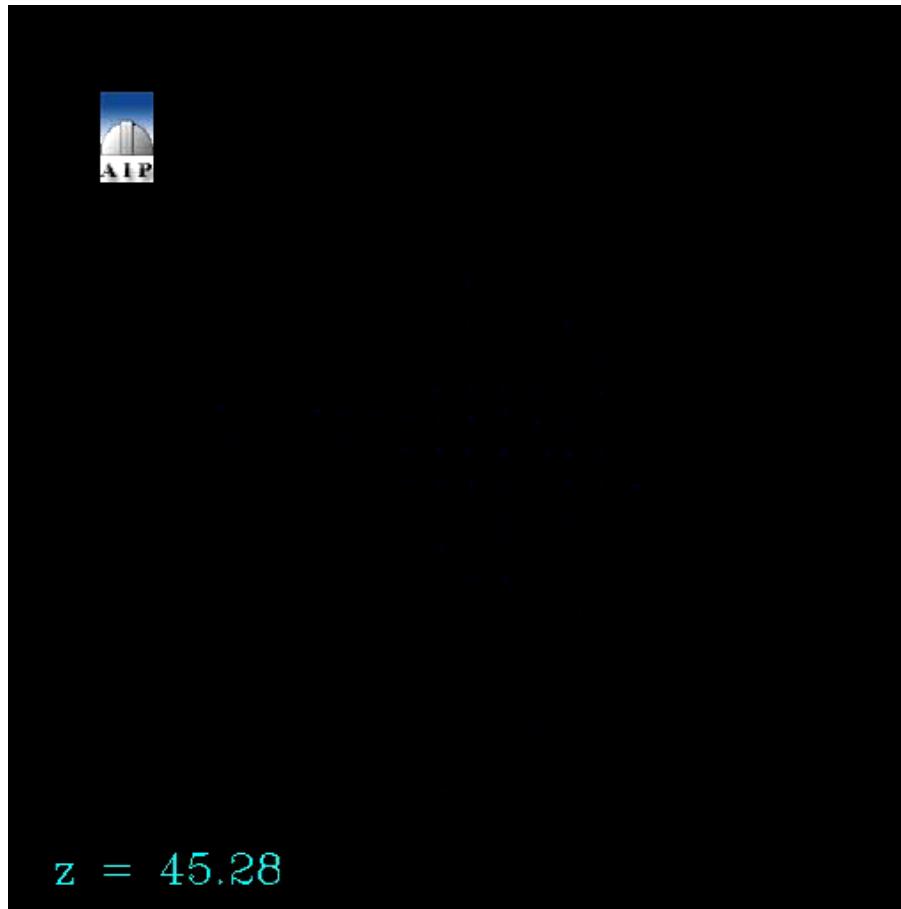
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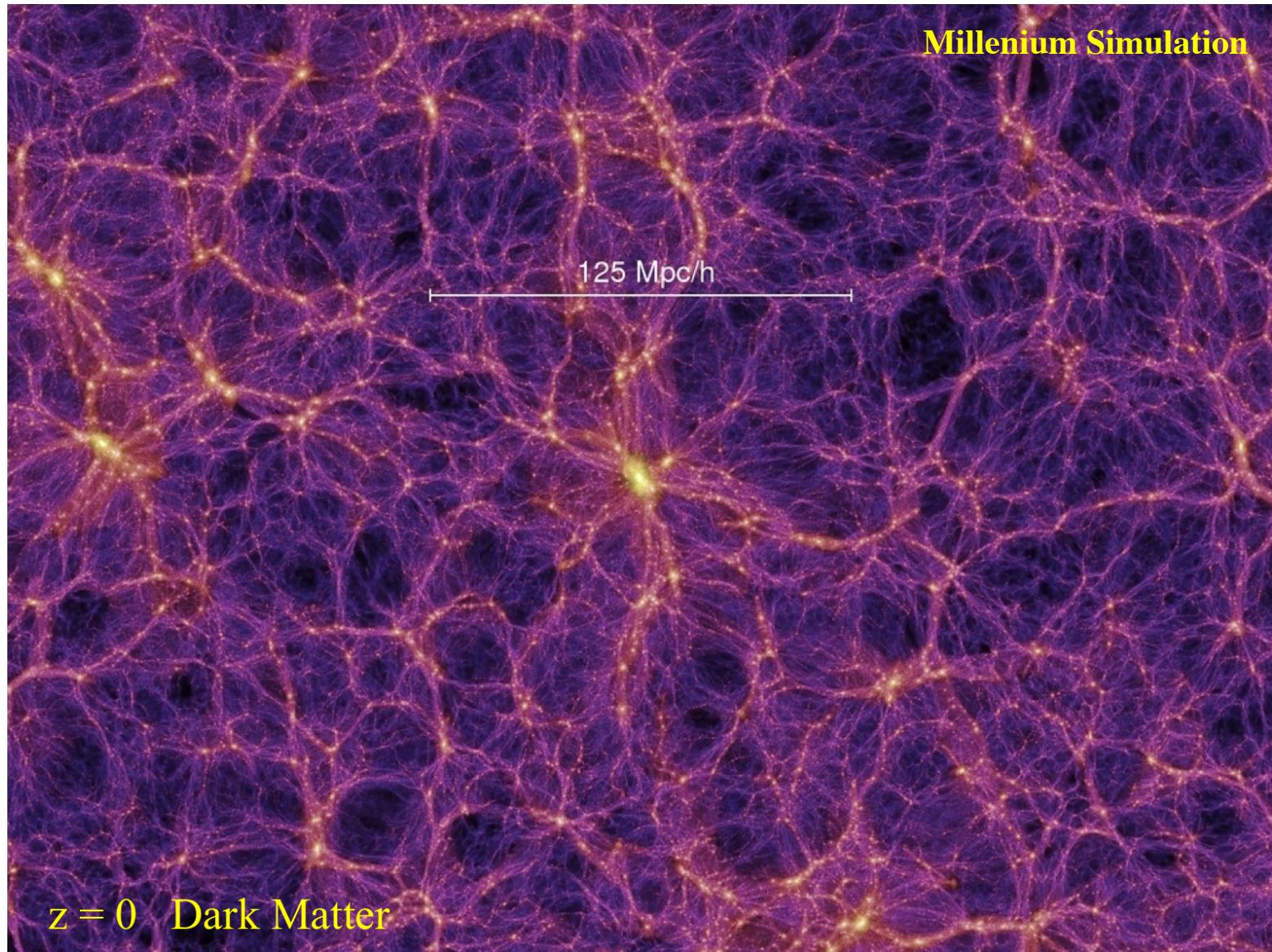
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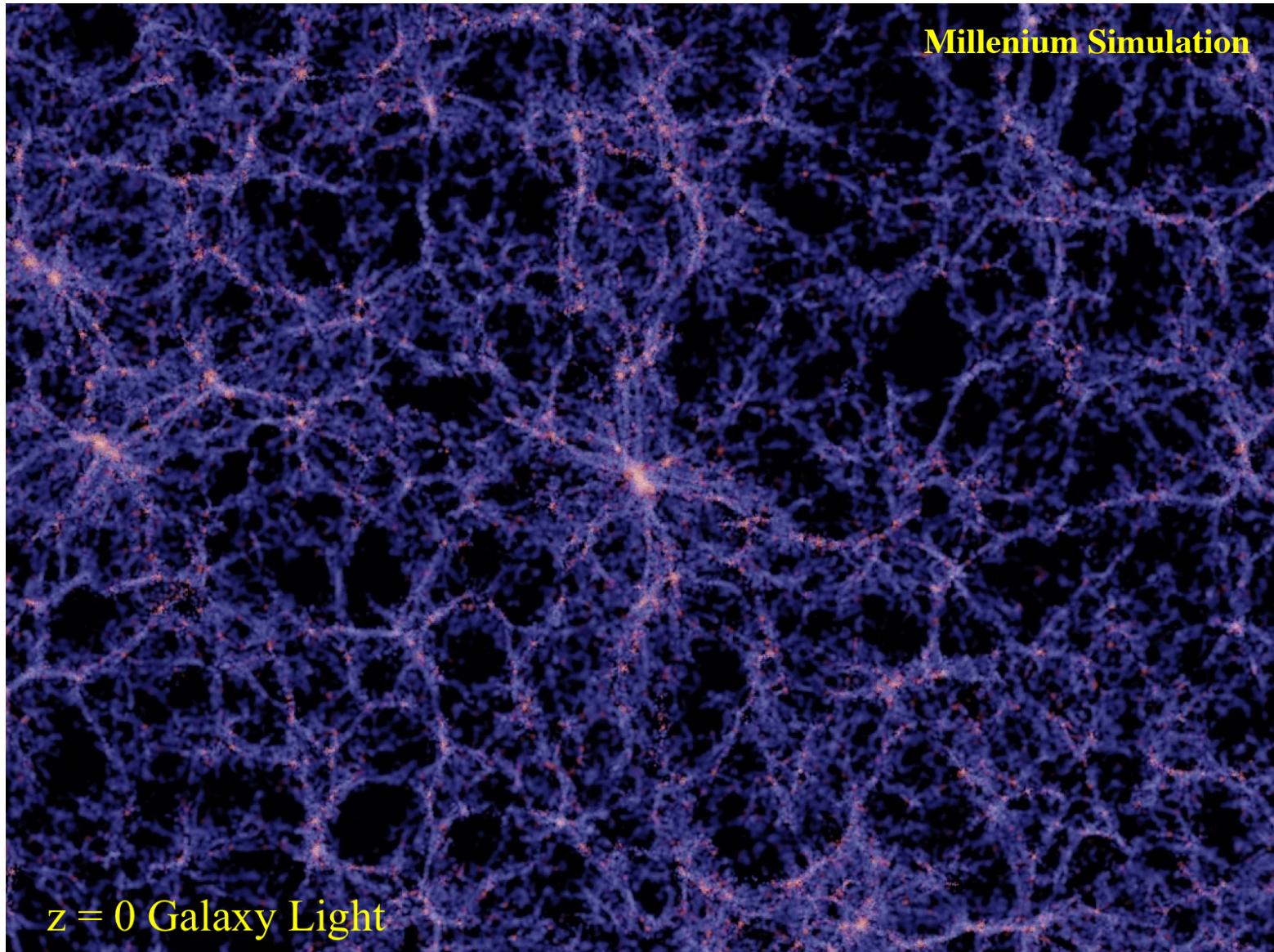
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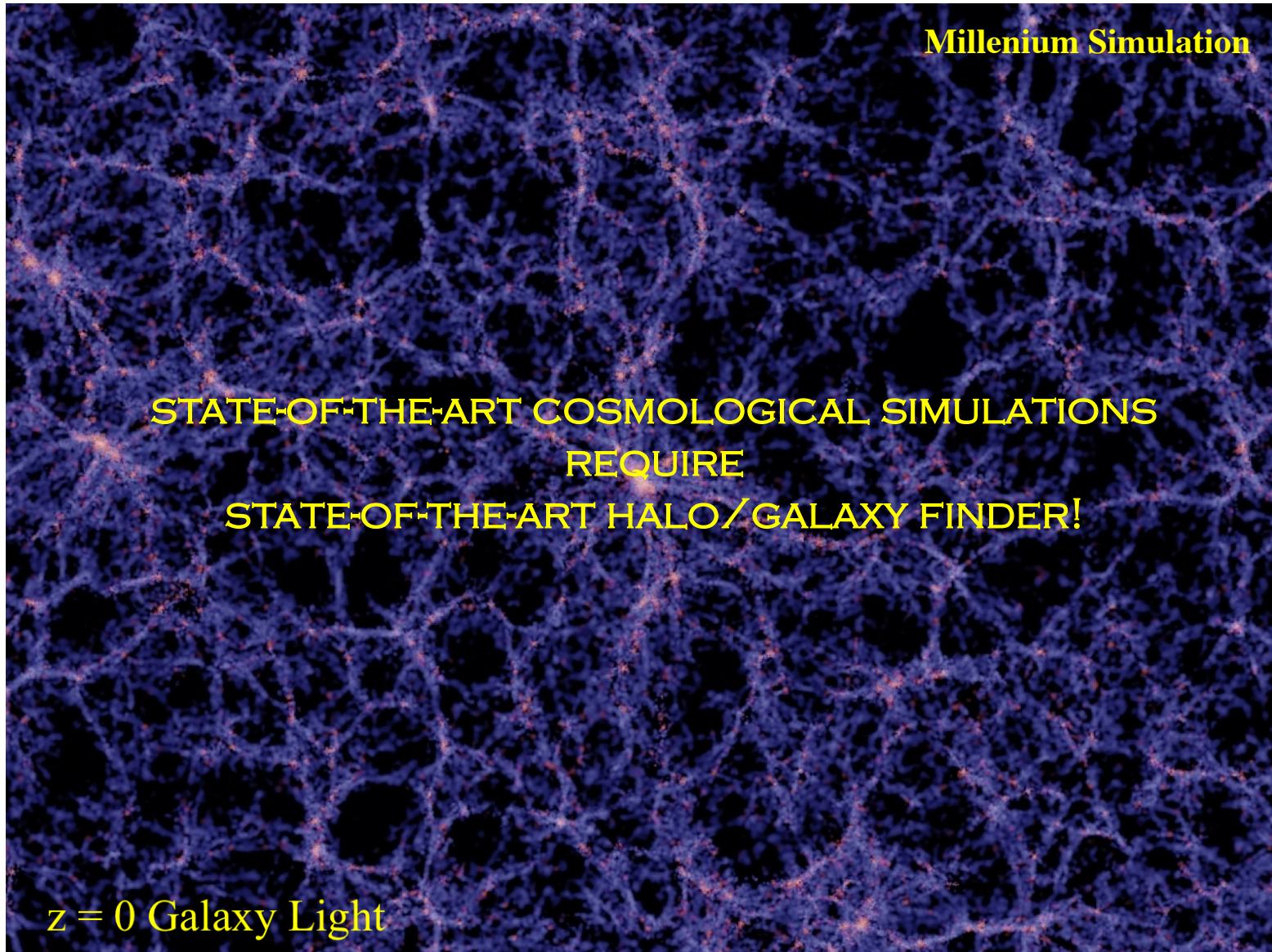
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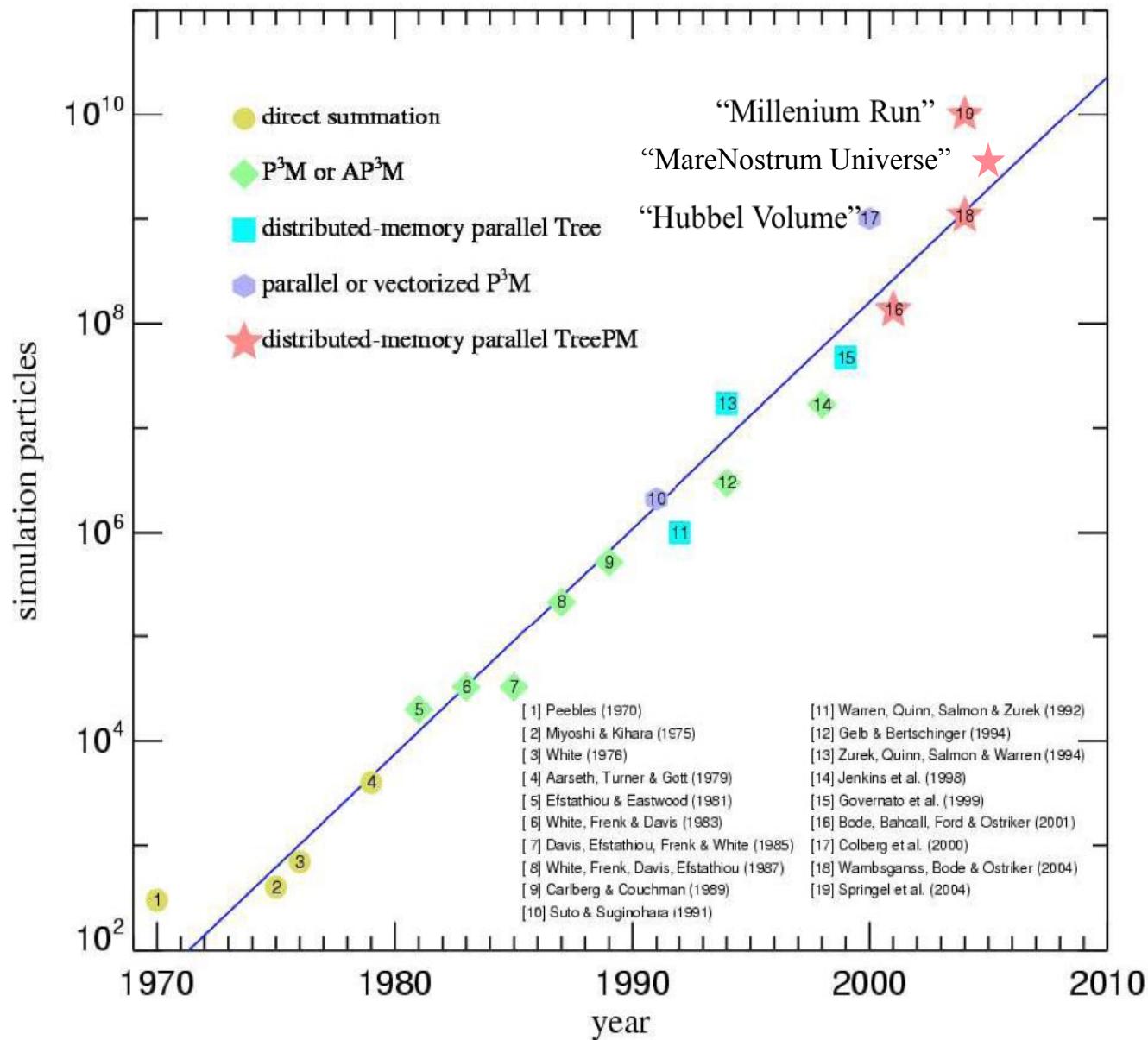
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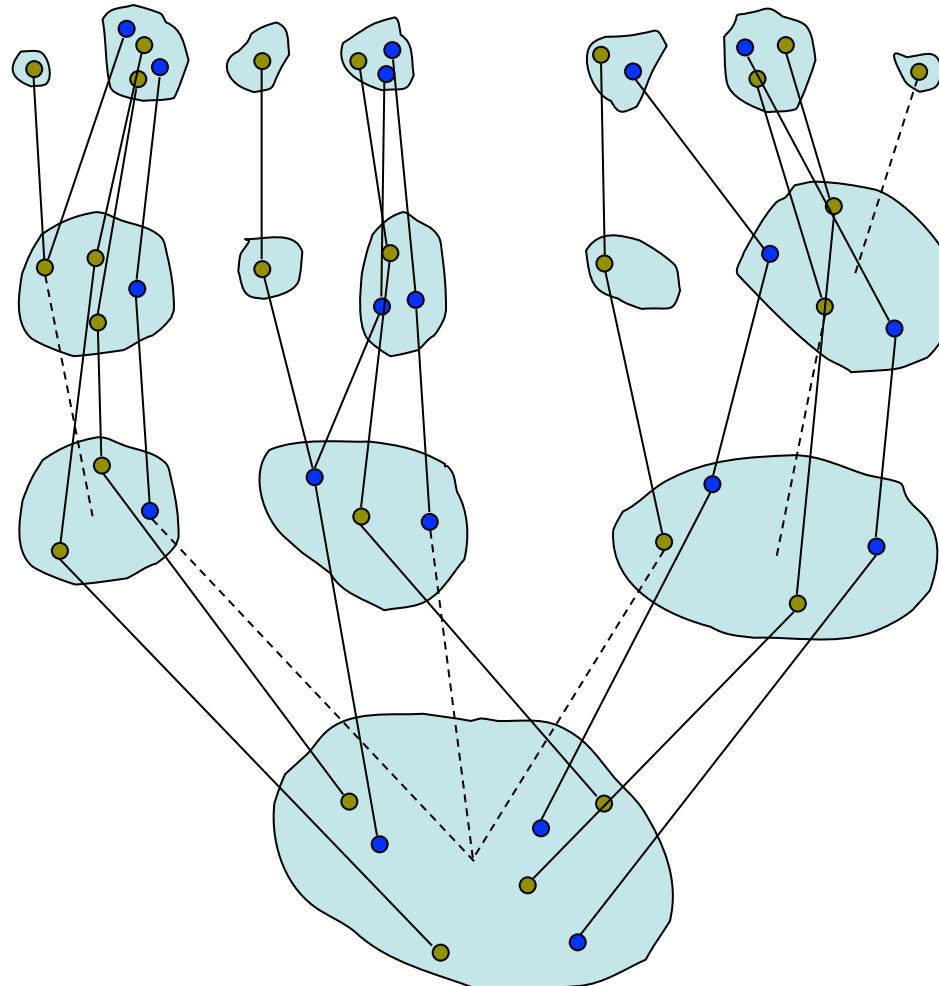
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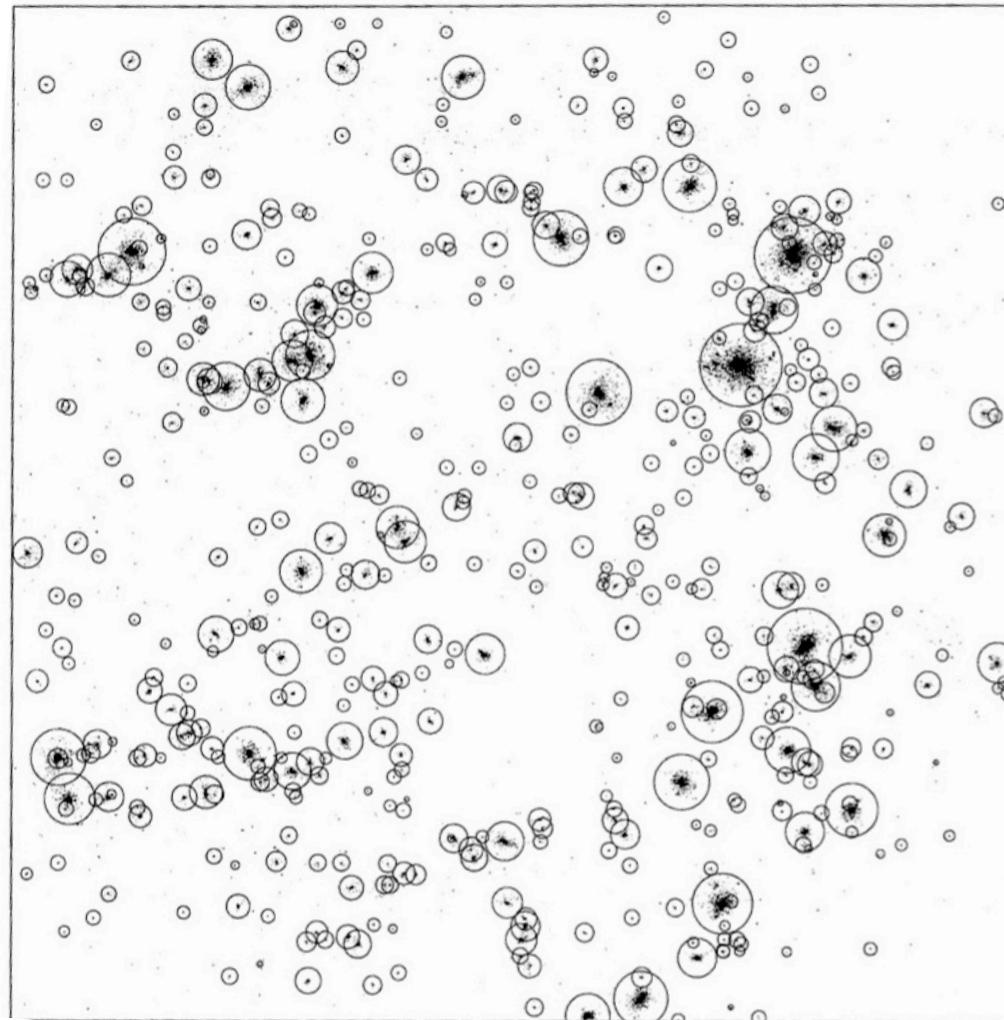
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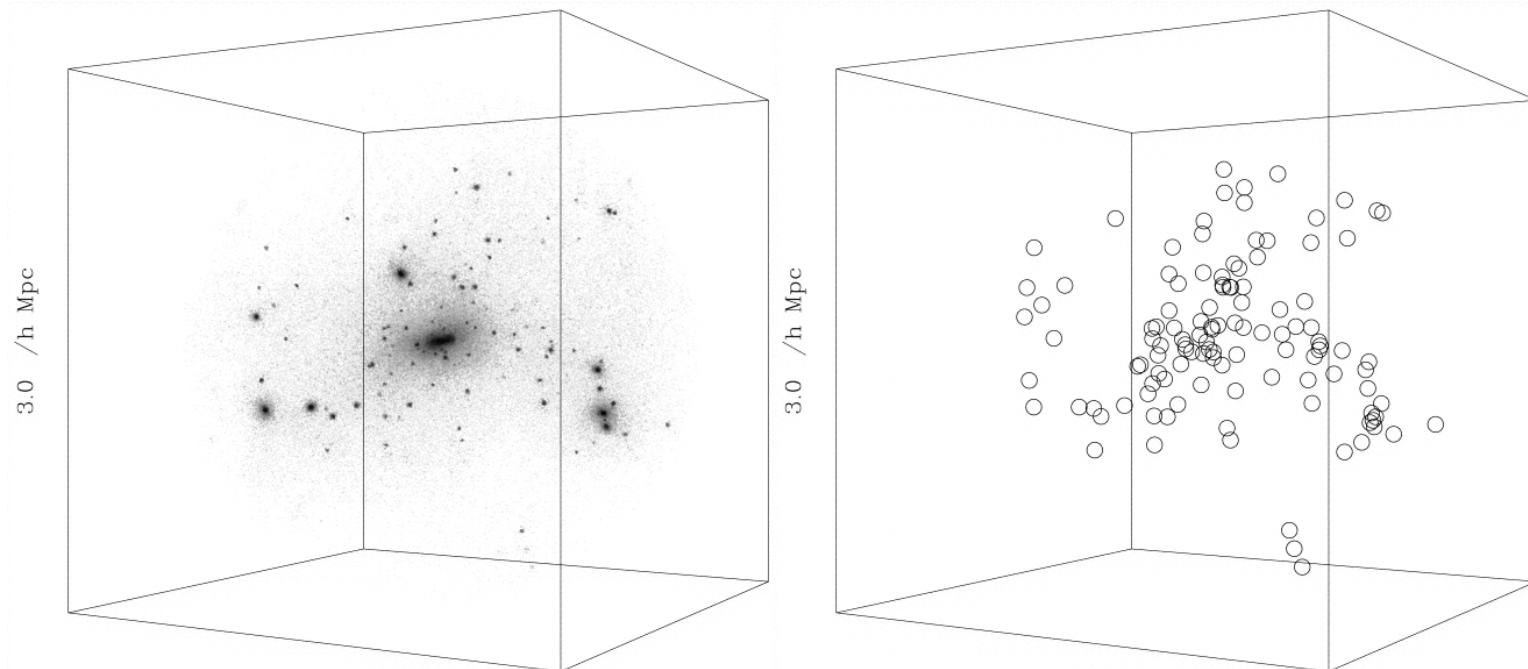


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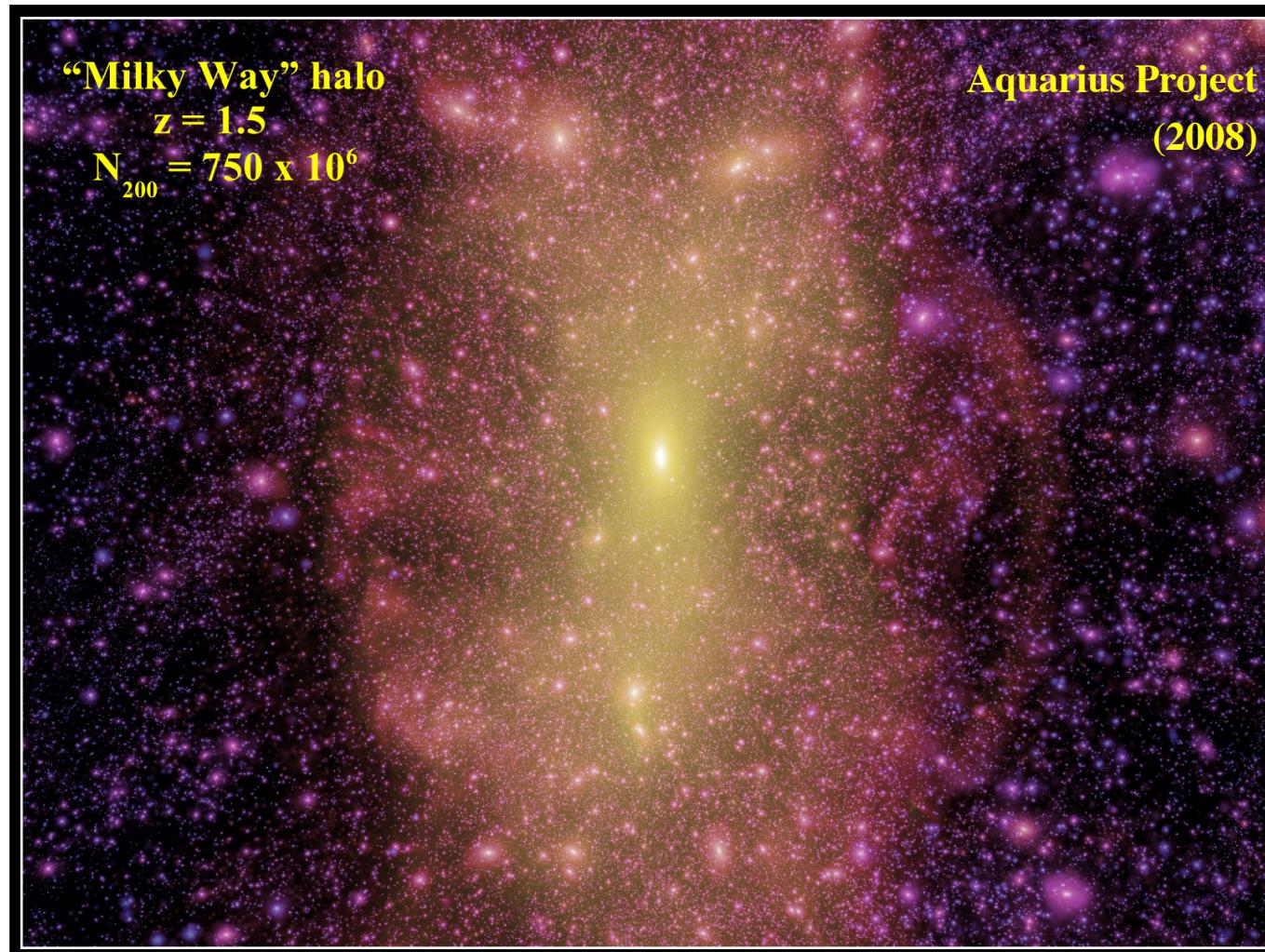


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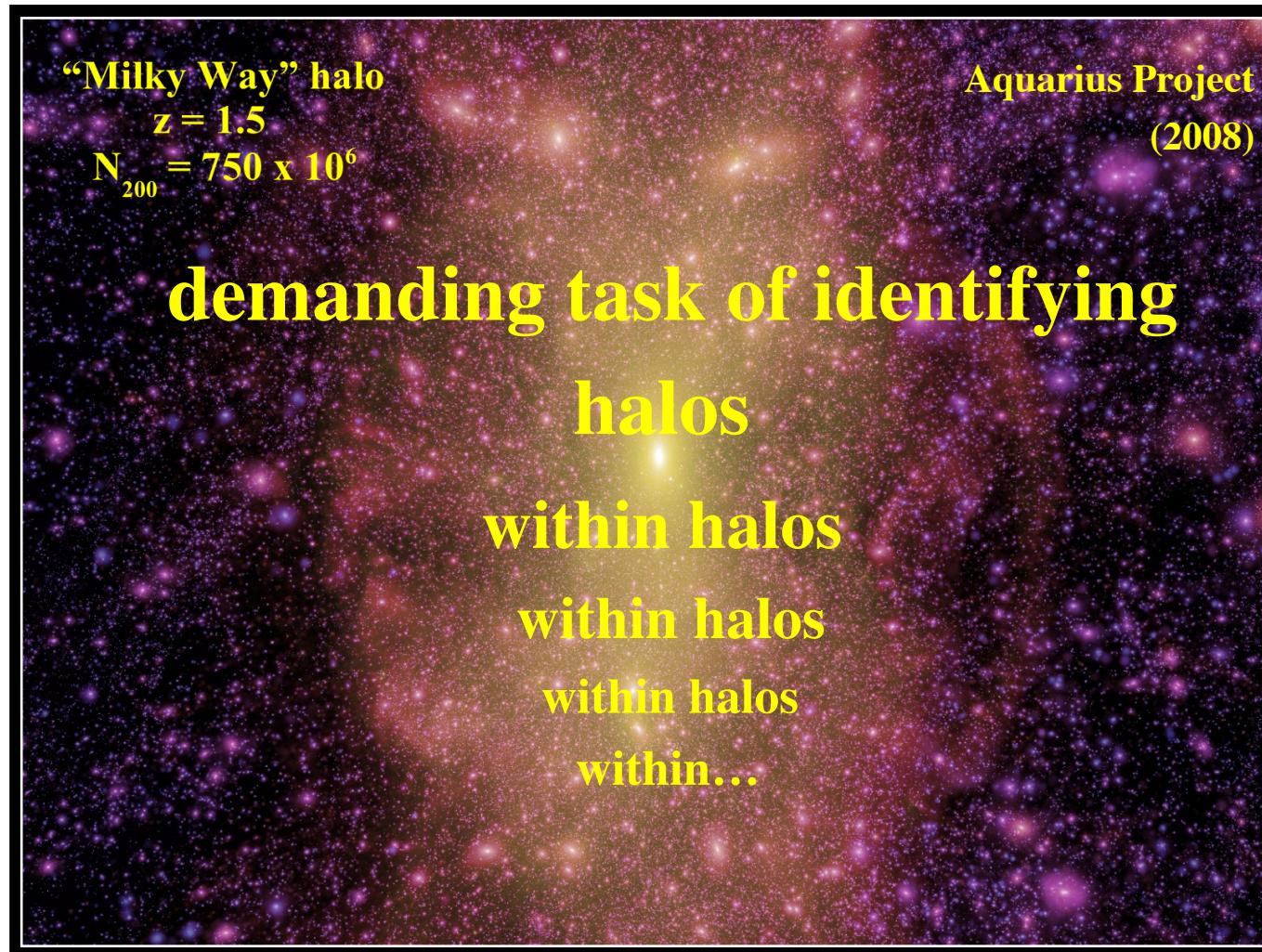
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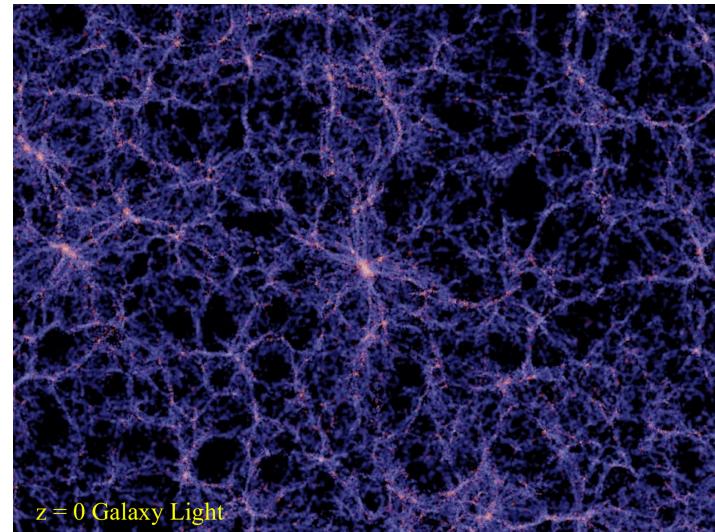


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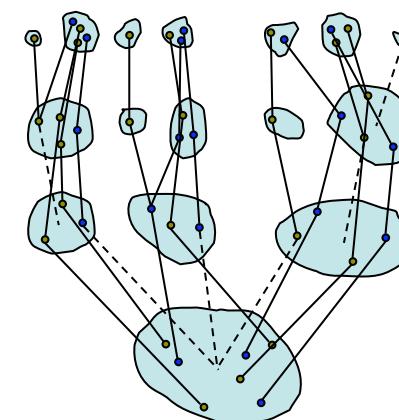


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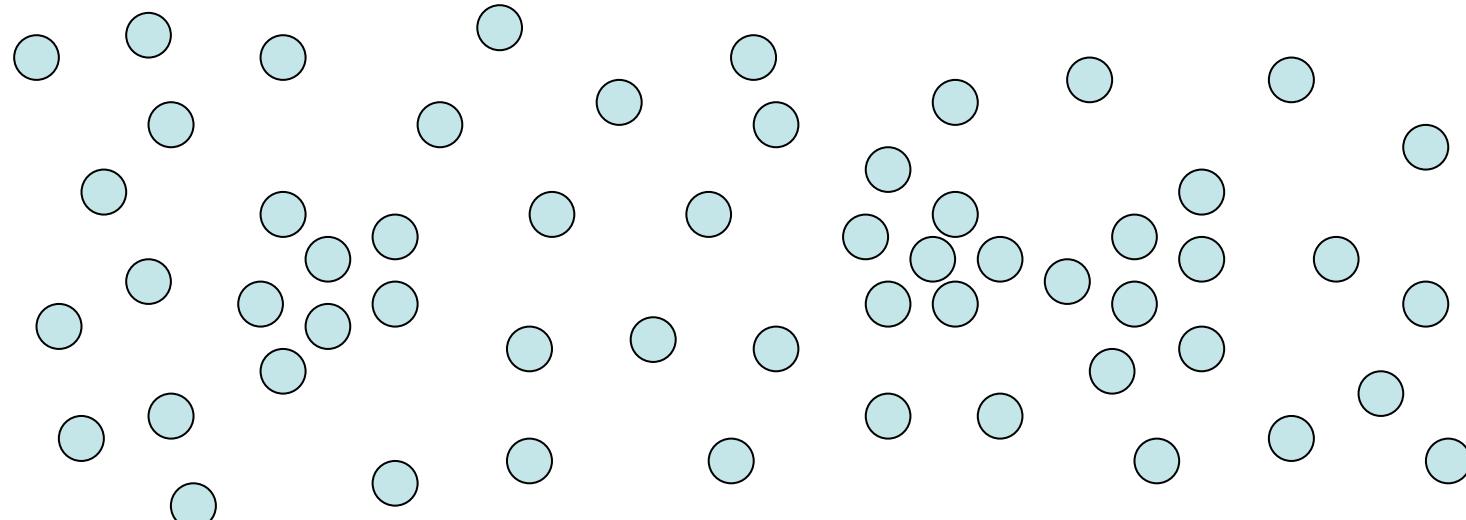
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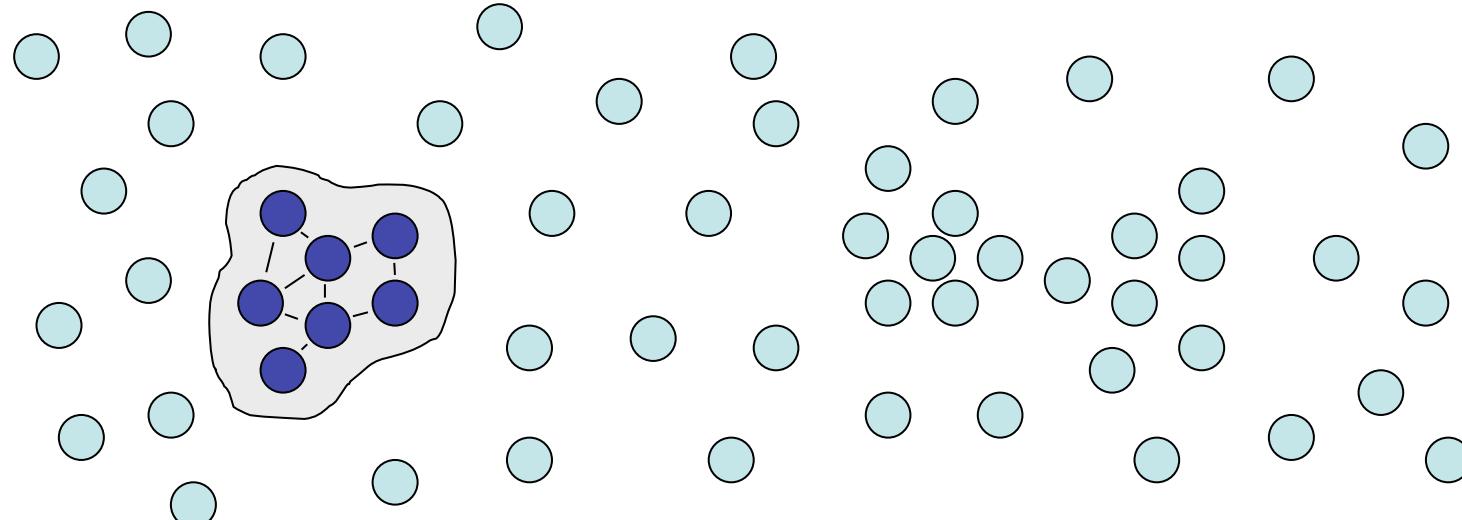
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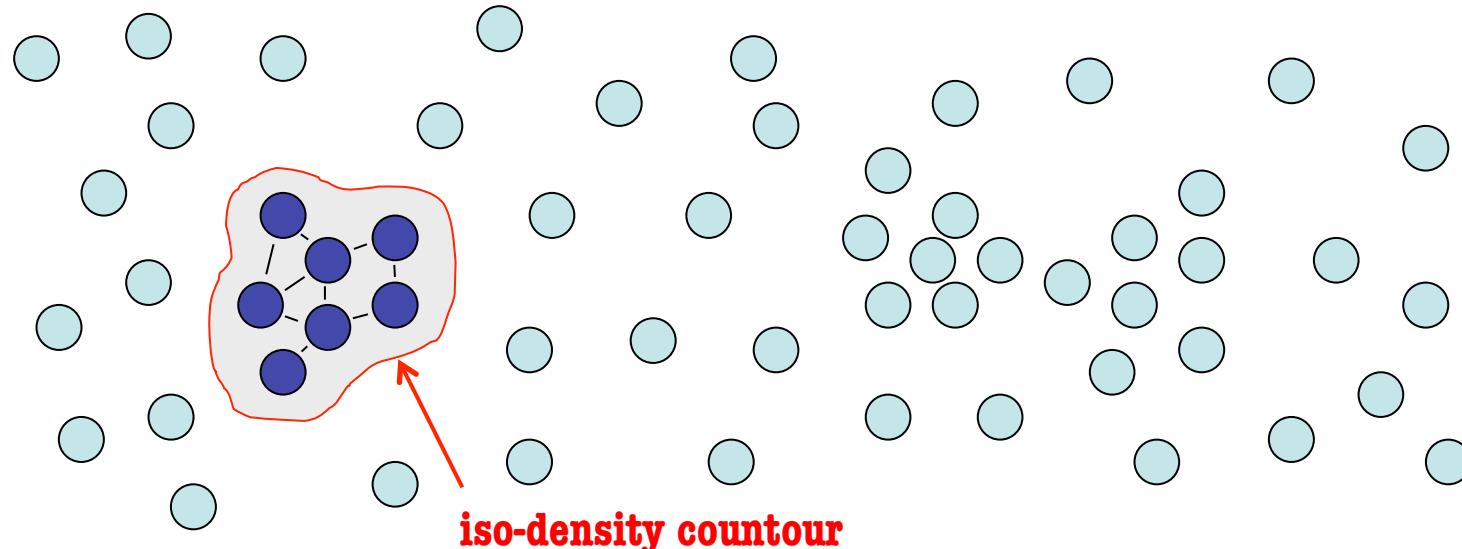
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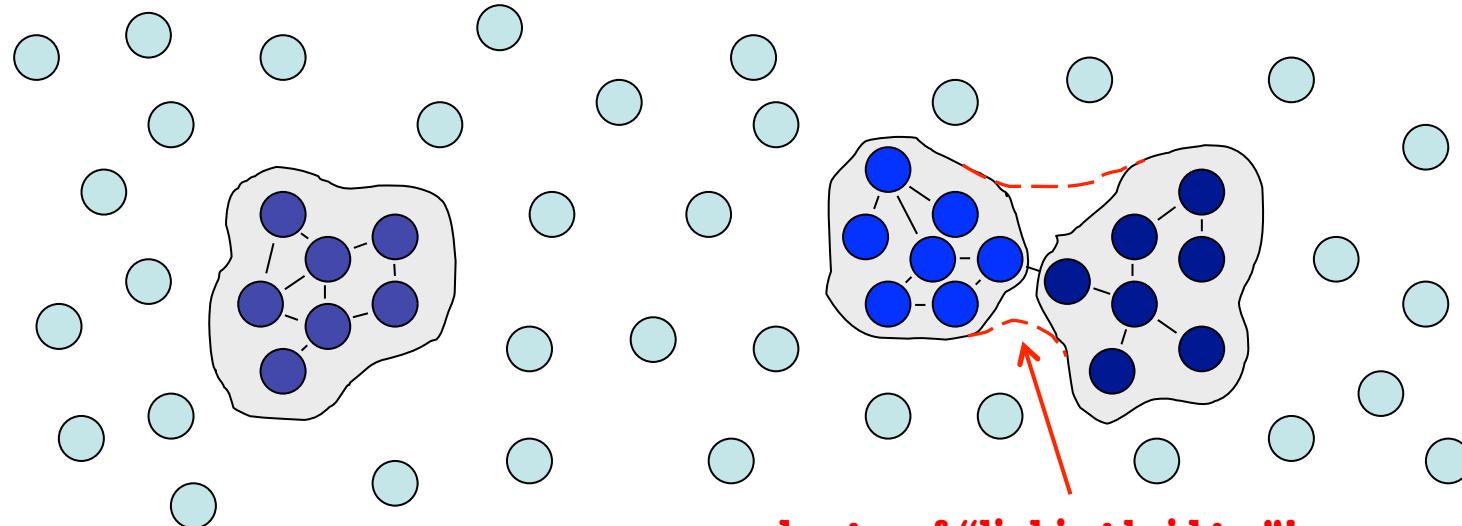
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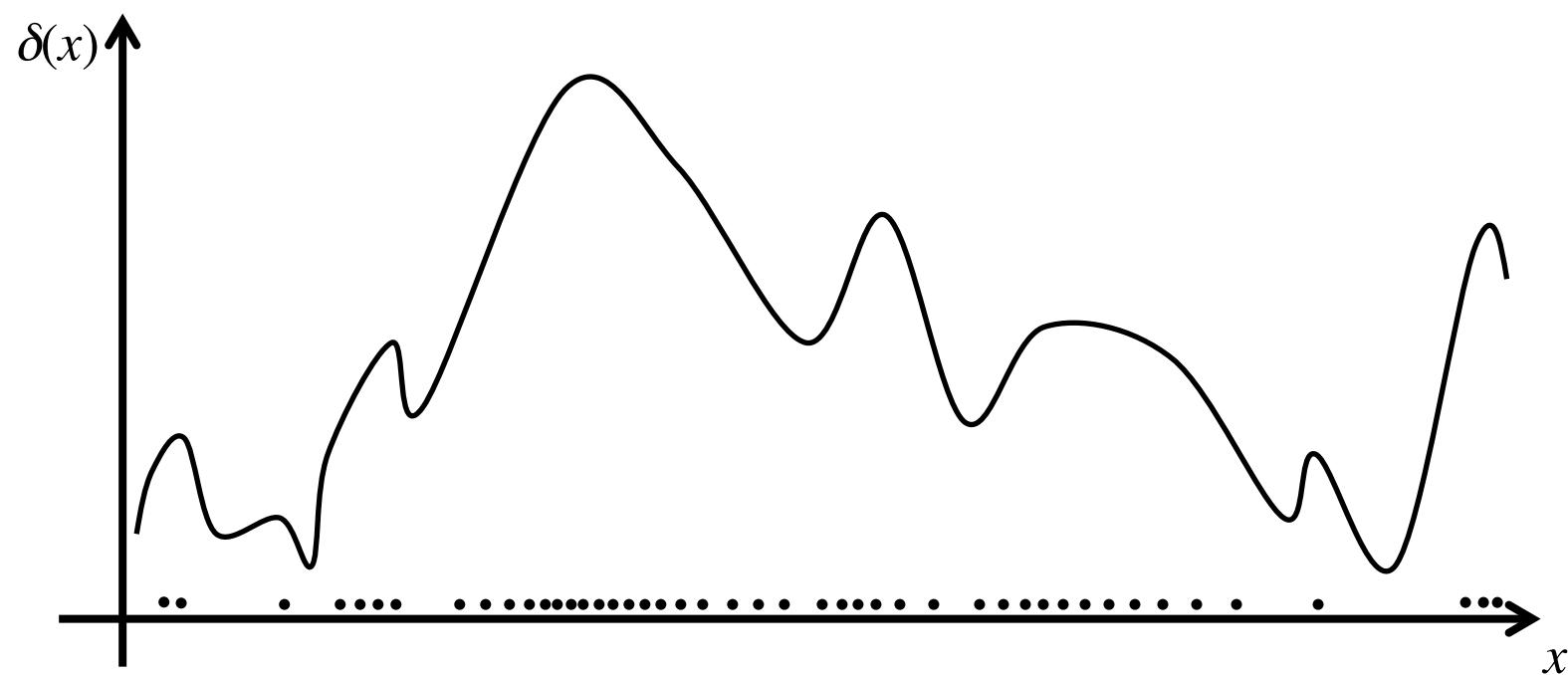
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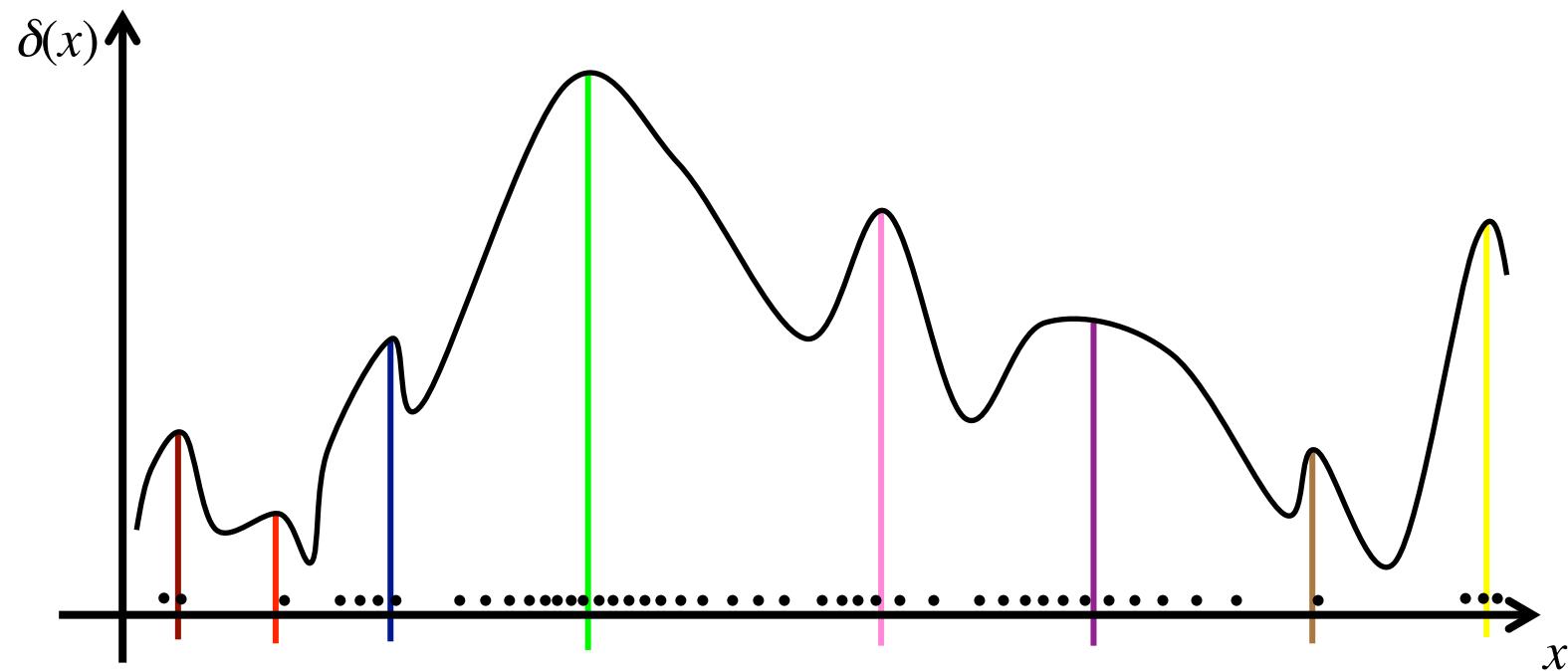
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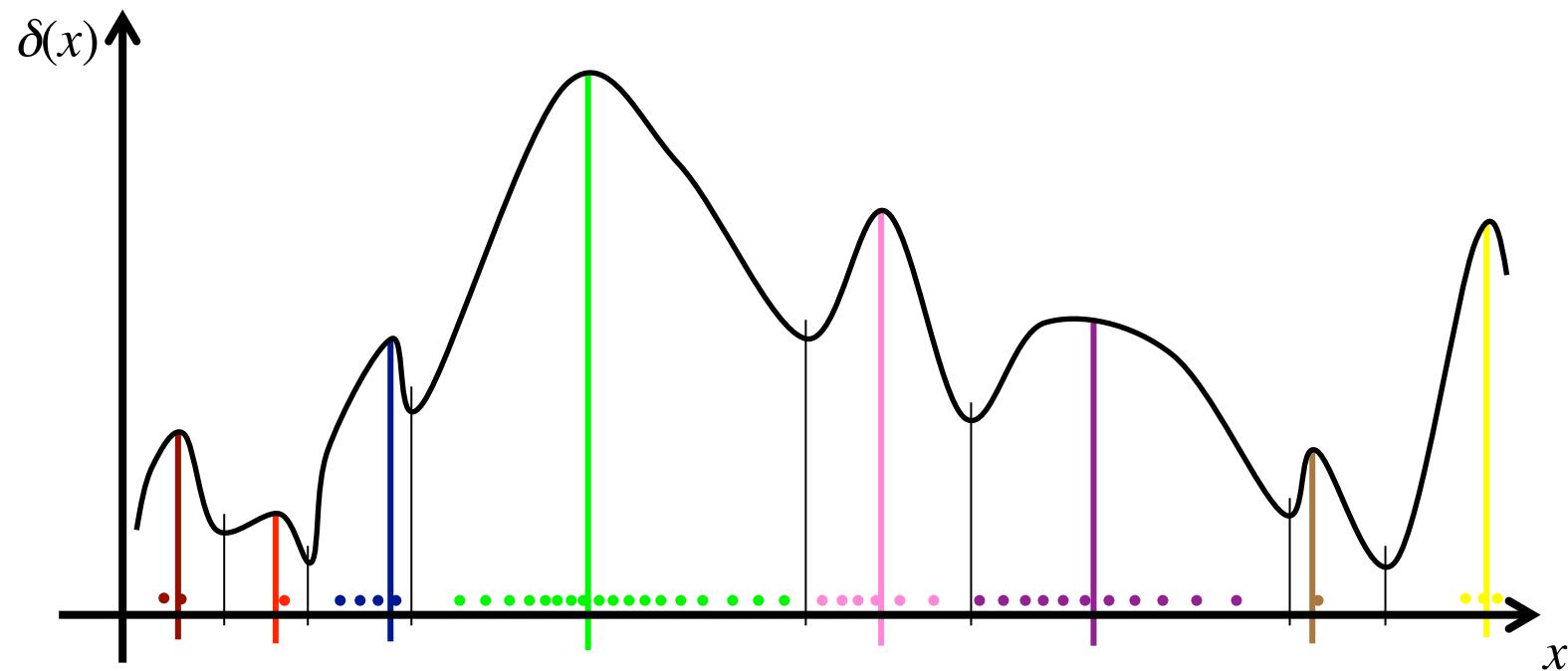
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halo finder**

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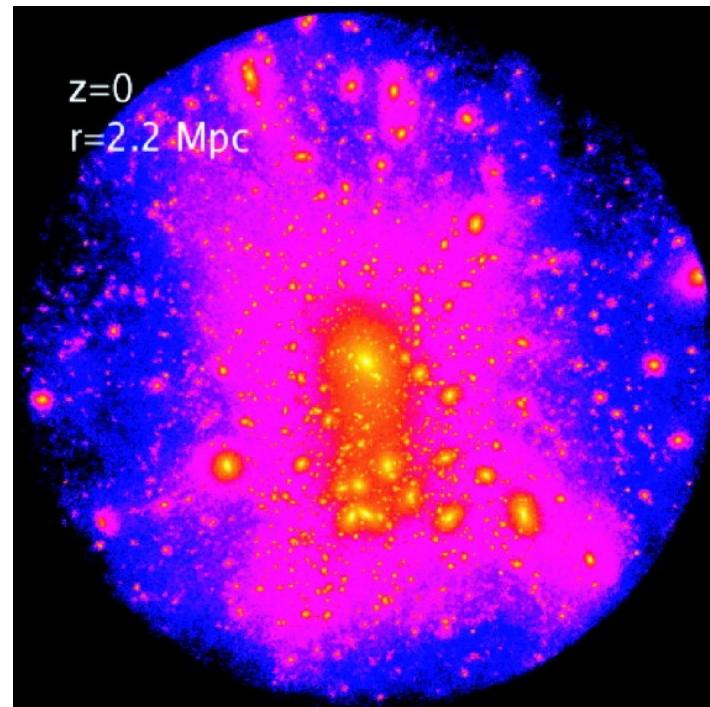
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➤ **6DFOF** (Diemand, Kuhlen & Madau 2006)

■ possibilities

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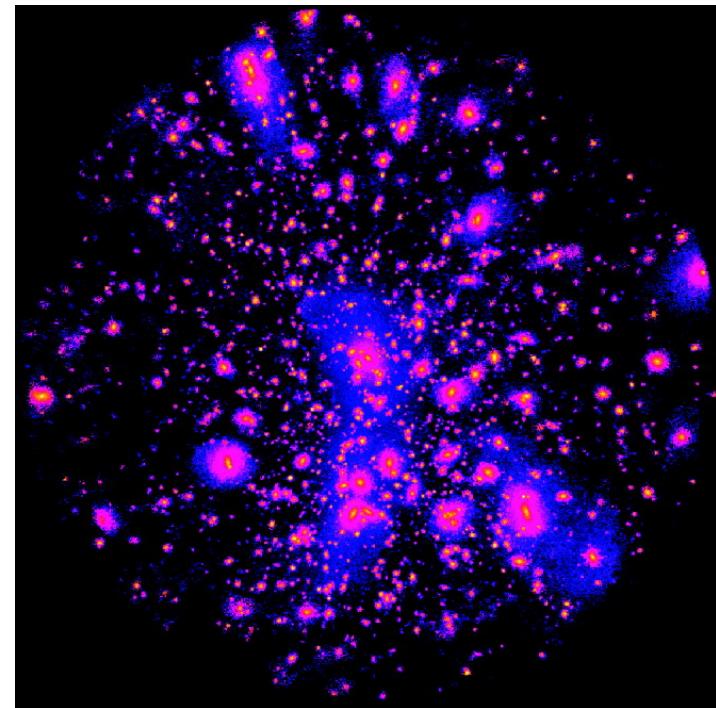
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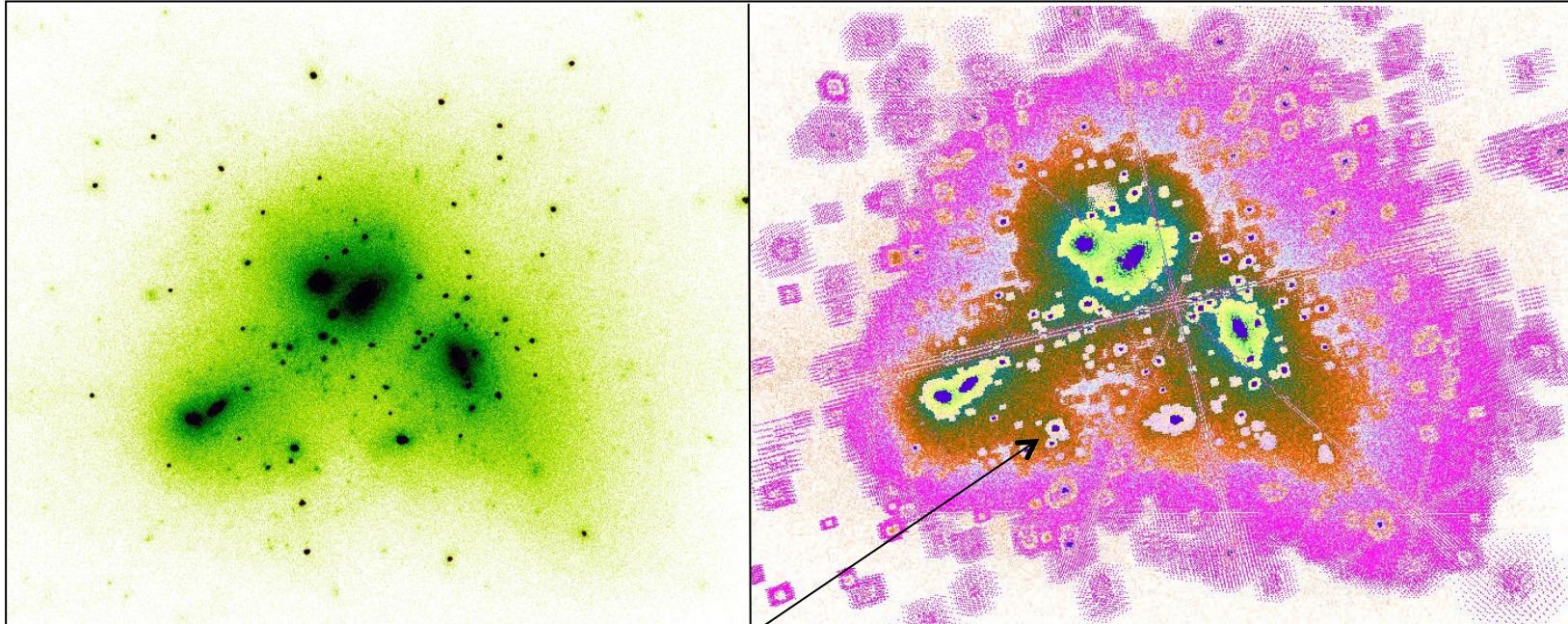
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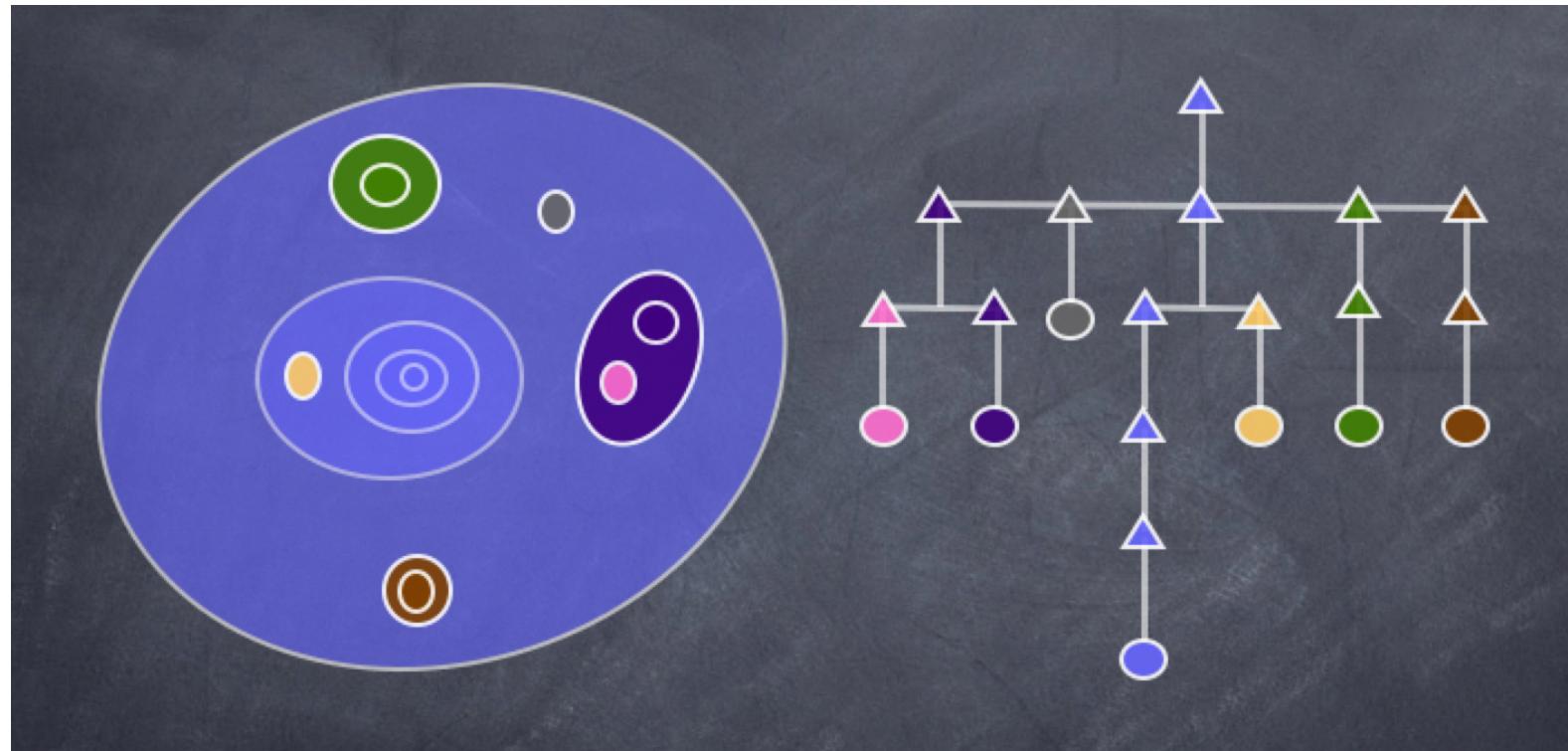
density field of simulated galaxy cluster



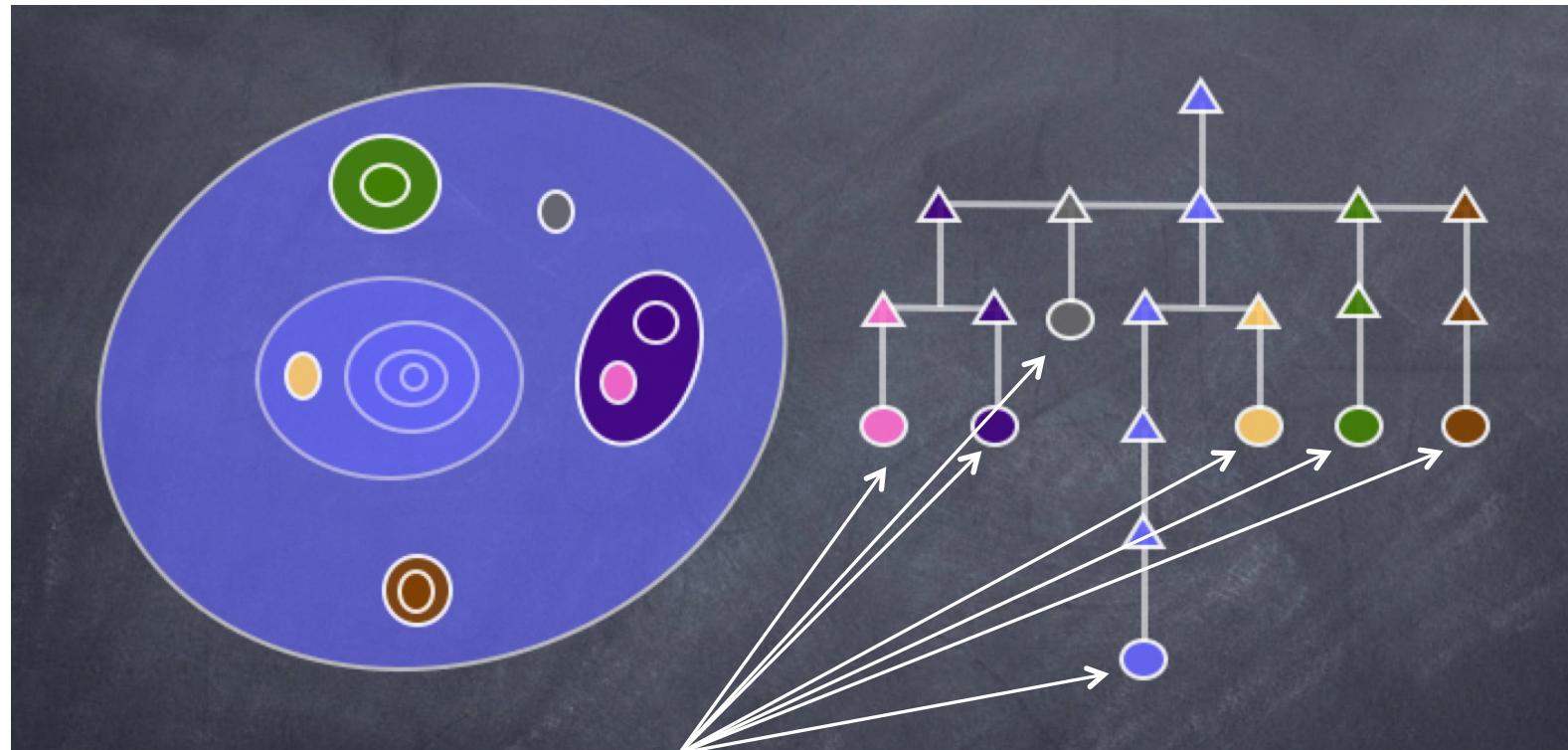
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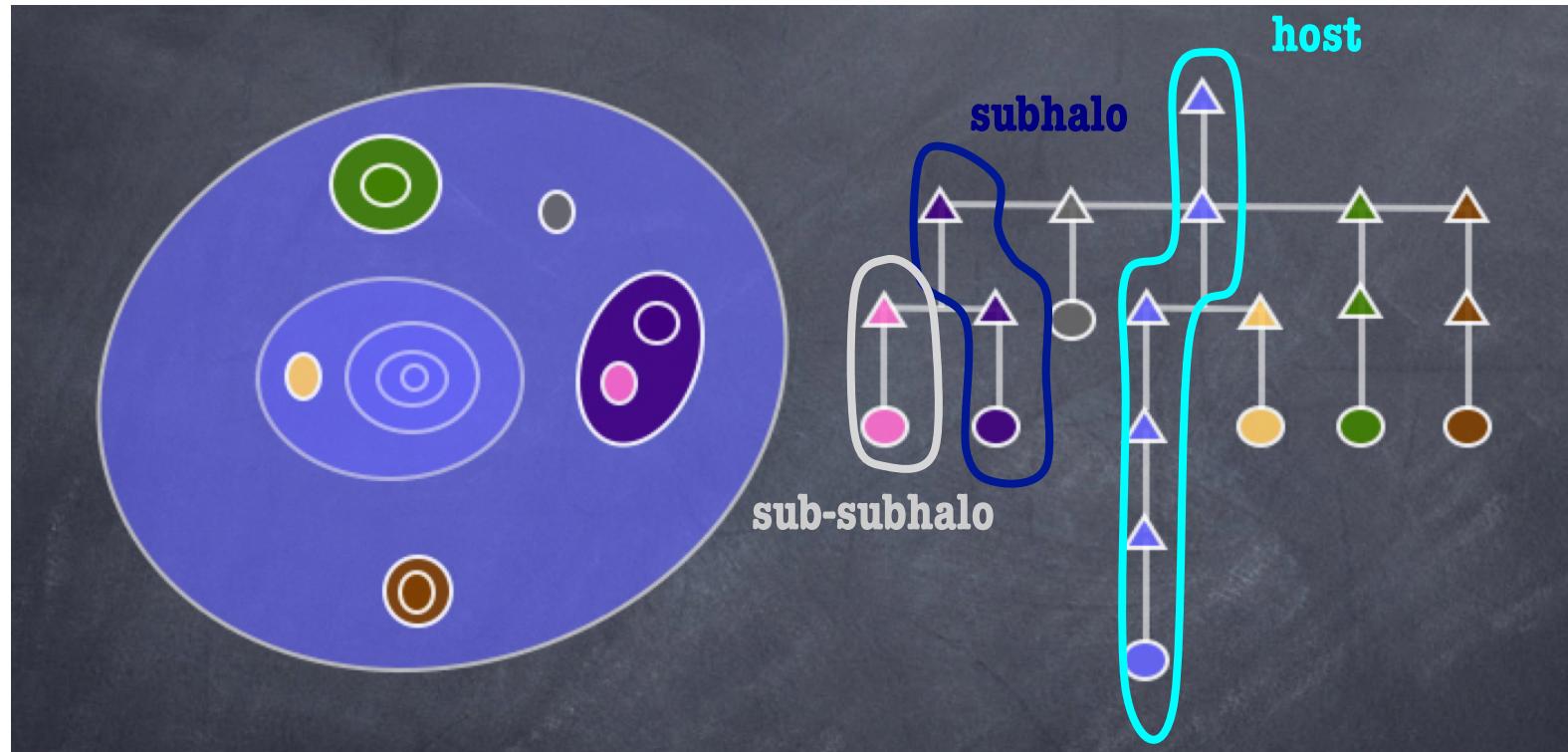


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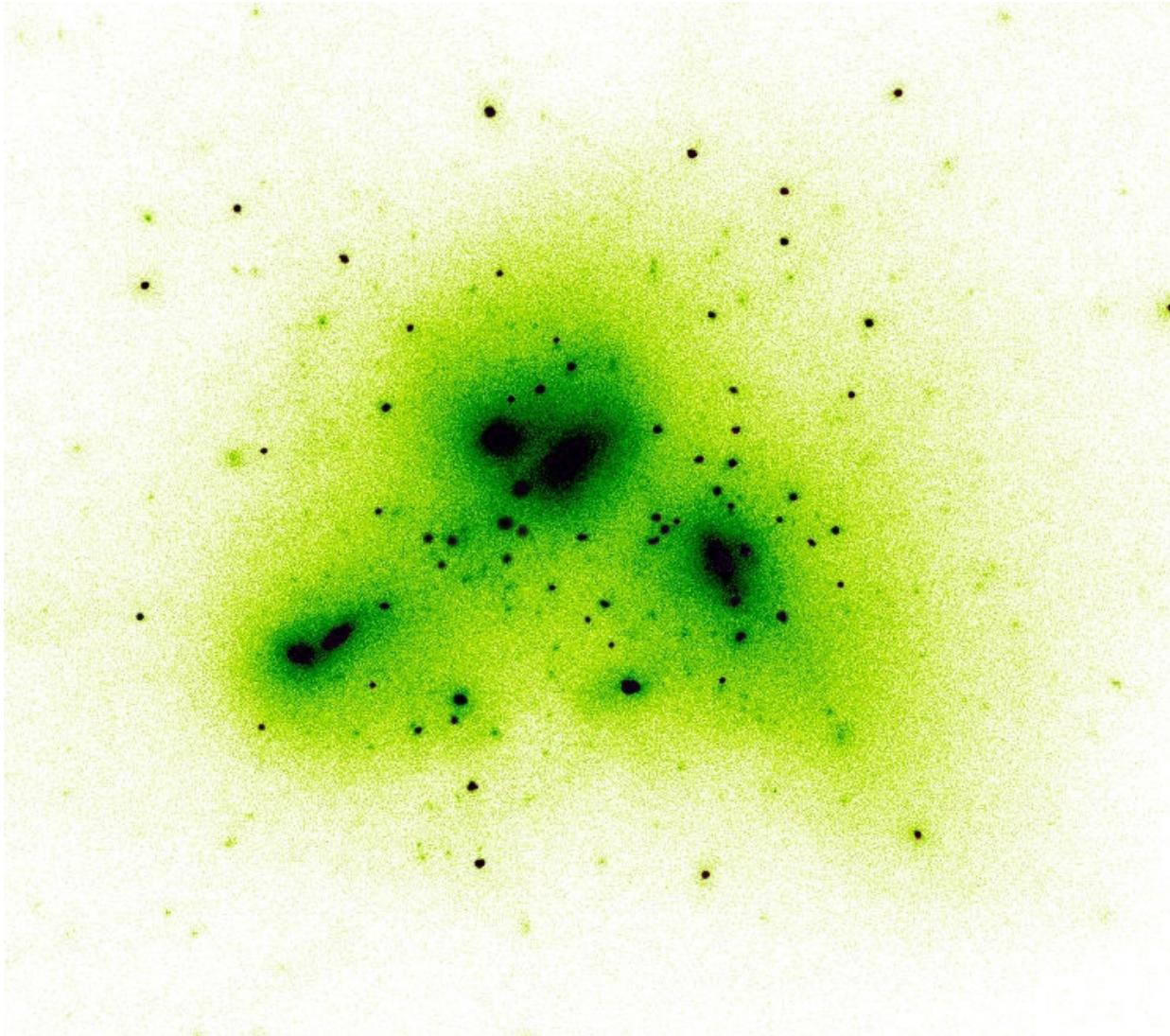
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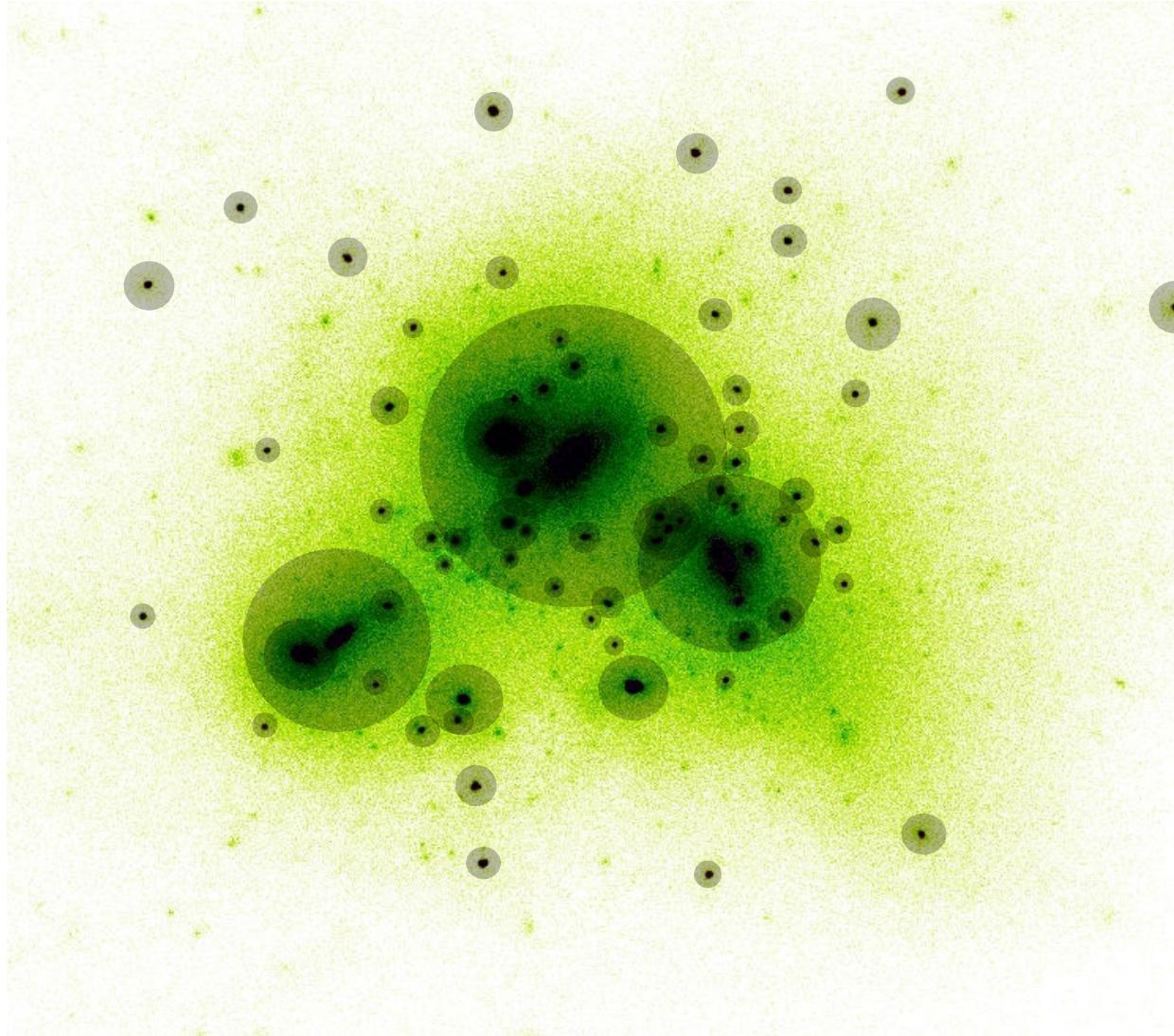
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...plus information about hosts, subhalos, sub-subhalos, etc.

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$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} (\psi) = 4\pi G\rho$$

$$\frac{d\psi}{dr} = 4\pi G\rho r^2$$

$$\psi(r) - \psi(0) = 4\pi G \int_0^r \rho r'^2 dr'$$

$$\psi(r) = GM(< r)$$

$\psi = r^2 \frac{d\varphi}{dr}$

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unbound particles...

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$$\begin{aligned}
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 &= G \int_0^{R_{vir}} \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' + G \int_{R_{vir}}^\infty \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' + \varphi(0) \\
 &= G \int_0^{R_{vir}} \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' + GM_{vir} \int_{R_{vir}}^\infty \frac{1}{r'^2} dr' + \varphi(0) \\
 &= G \int_0^{R_{vir}} \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' + GM_{vir} \left[-\frac{1}{r} \right]_{R_{vir}}^\infty + \varphi(0) \\
 &= G \int_0^{R_{vir}} \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' + G \frac{M_{vir}}{R_{vir}} + \varphi(0)
 \end{aligned}$$

$\xrightarrow{\varphi(\infty) = 0}$

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$$\varphi(r) = G \int_0^r \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' - \varphi_0$$

with:

$$\varphi_0 = G \left(\frac{M_{vir}}{R_{vir}} + \int_0^{R_{vir}} \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' \right)$$

the integrals can be readily evaluated in cosmological simulations...

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$$\varphi(r) = G \int_0^r \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' - \varphi_0$$

- order particles with respect to distance:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^r \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' &= \int_0^{r_1} \frac{M(< r)}{r^2} dr + \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{M(< r)}{r^2} dr + \dots + \int_{r_{N-1}}^{r_N} \frac{M(< r)}{r^2} dr \\ &= \frac{m_1}{r_1^2} r_1 + \frac{m_1 + m_2}{r_2^2} |r_2 - r_1| + \frac{m_1 + m_2 + m_3}{r_3^2} |r_3 - r_2| + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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1. guess initial set of particles and determine M_{vir} and R_{vir}

2. calculate φ_0 via...

$$\varphi_0 = G \left(\frac{M_{\text{vir}}}{R_{\text{vir}}} + \int_0^{R_{\text{vir}}} \frac{M(< r')}{r'^2} dr' \right)$$

...using ordered particles:

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3. while looping over all particles (again!) compare

$$v_i > v_{\text{esc}}(r_i) = \sqrt{2|\varphi(r_i)|}$$

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- 5. remove all unbound particles

$$v_i > v_{\text{esc}}(r_i) = \sqrt{2|\varphi(r_i)|}$$

- 6. bound particles define a new set of initial particles for M_{vir} and R_{vir}

⇒ start from 2. again and repeat until no further unbound particles...

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<http://charon.nmsu.edu/~aklypin/PM/pmcode/pmcode.html>

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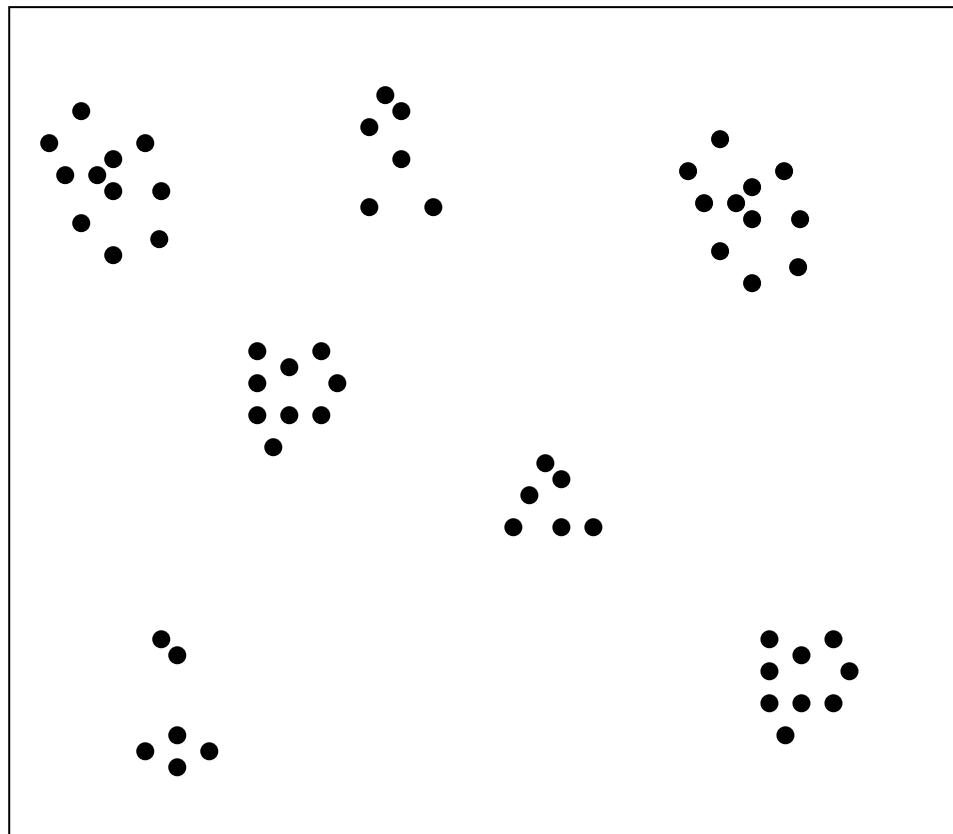
=> nearly identical to **AHF*** ...

... major difference lies in determination of prospective centres
(and the removal of unbound particles)

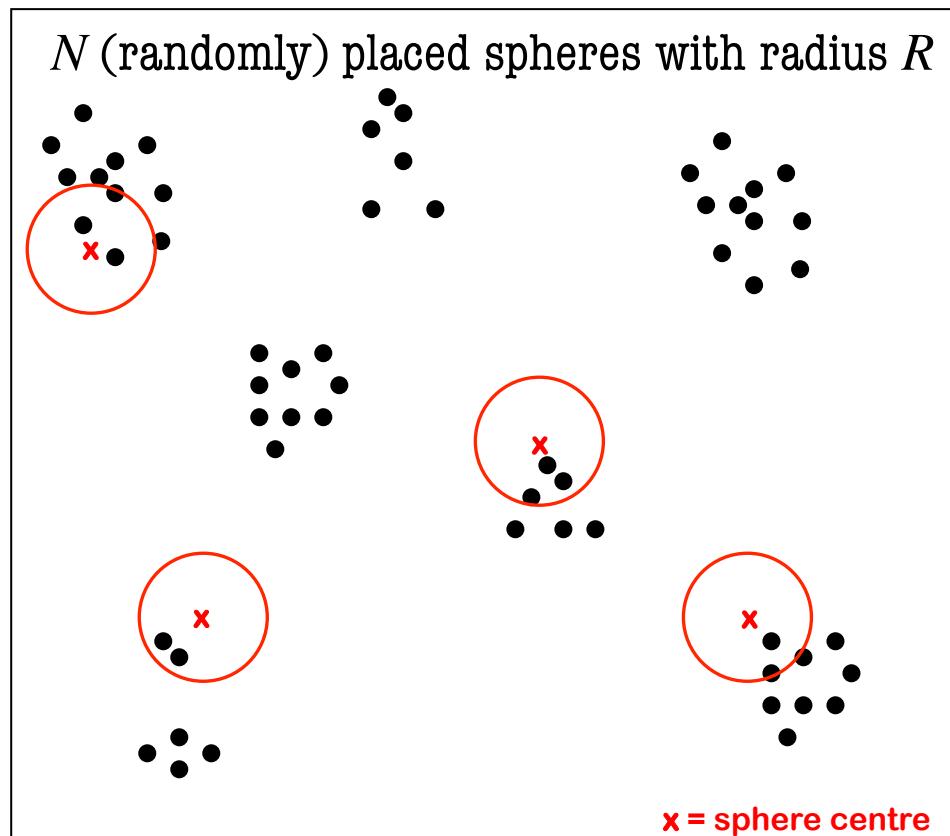
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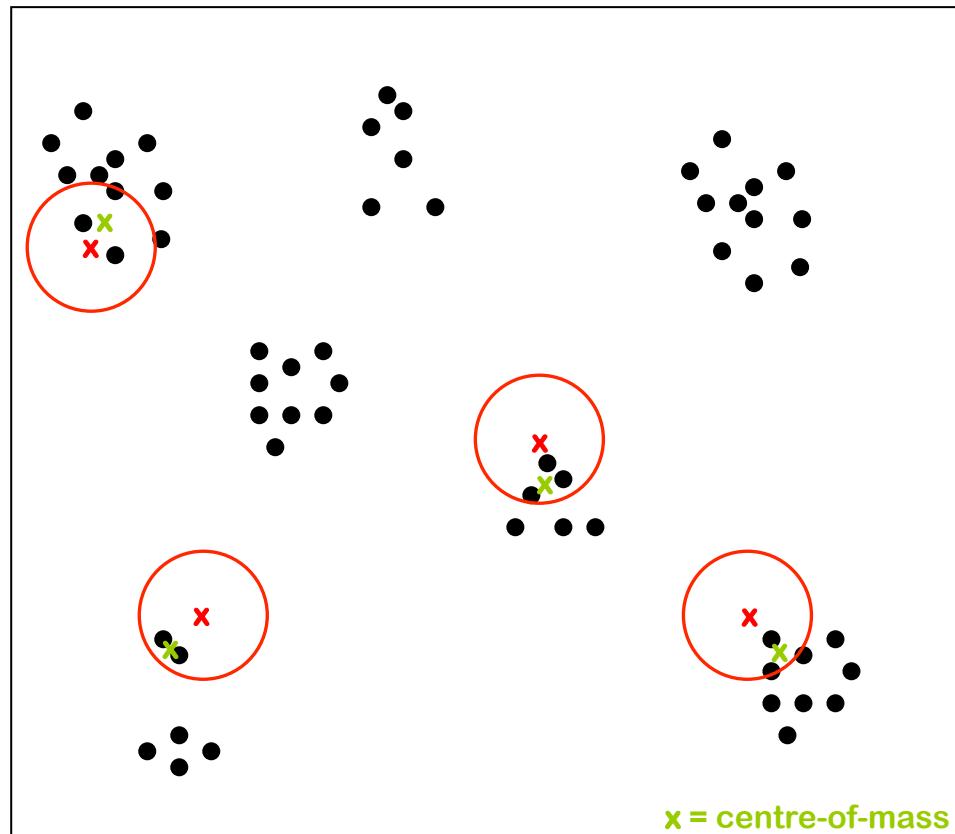
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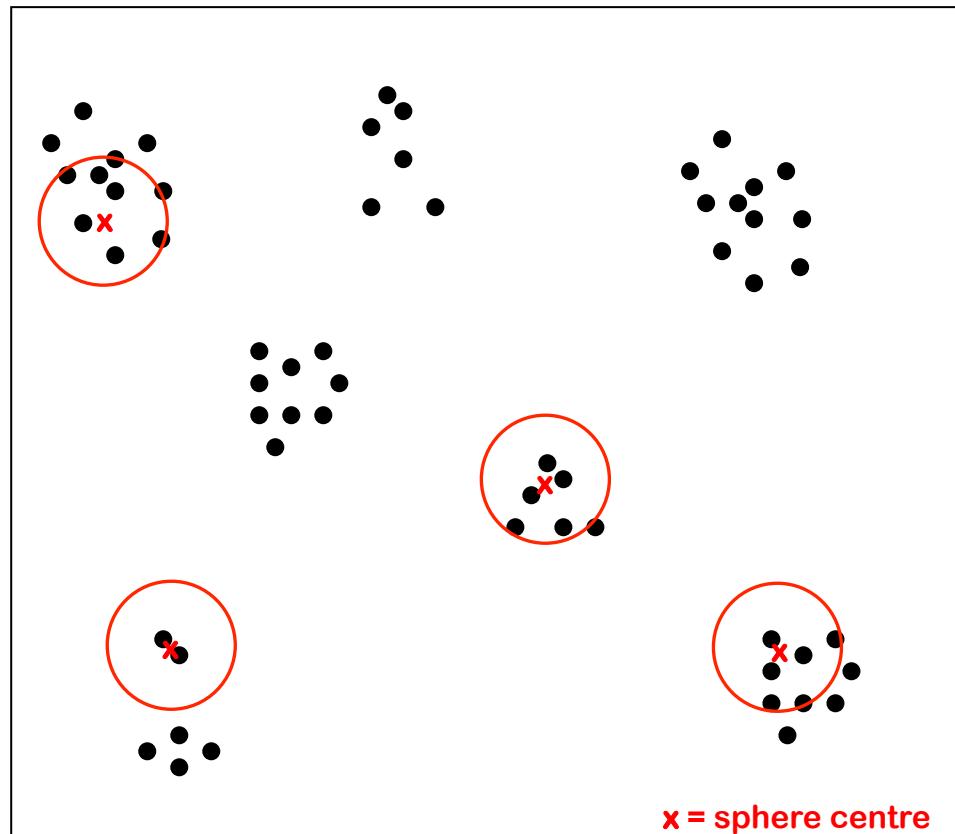
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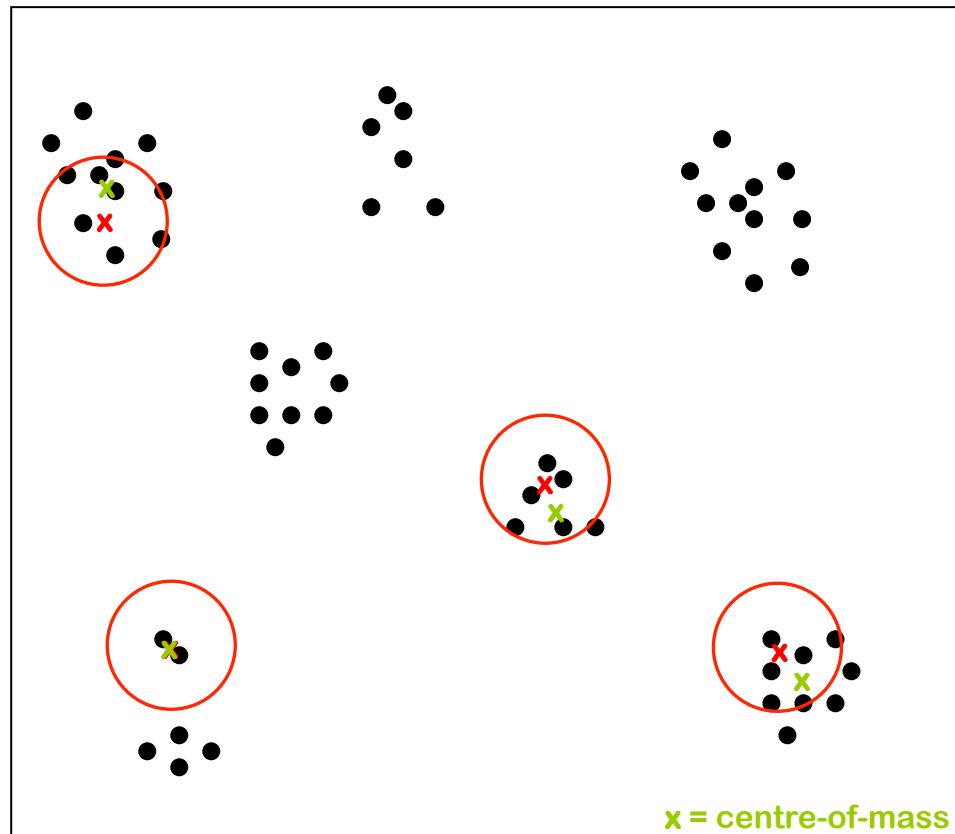
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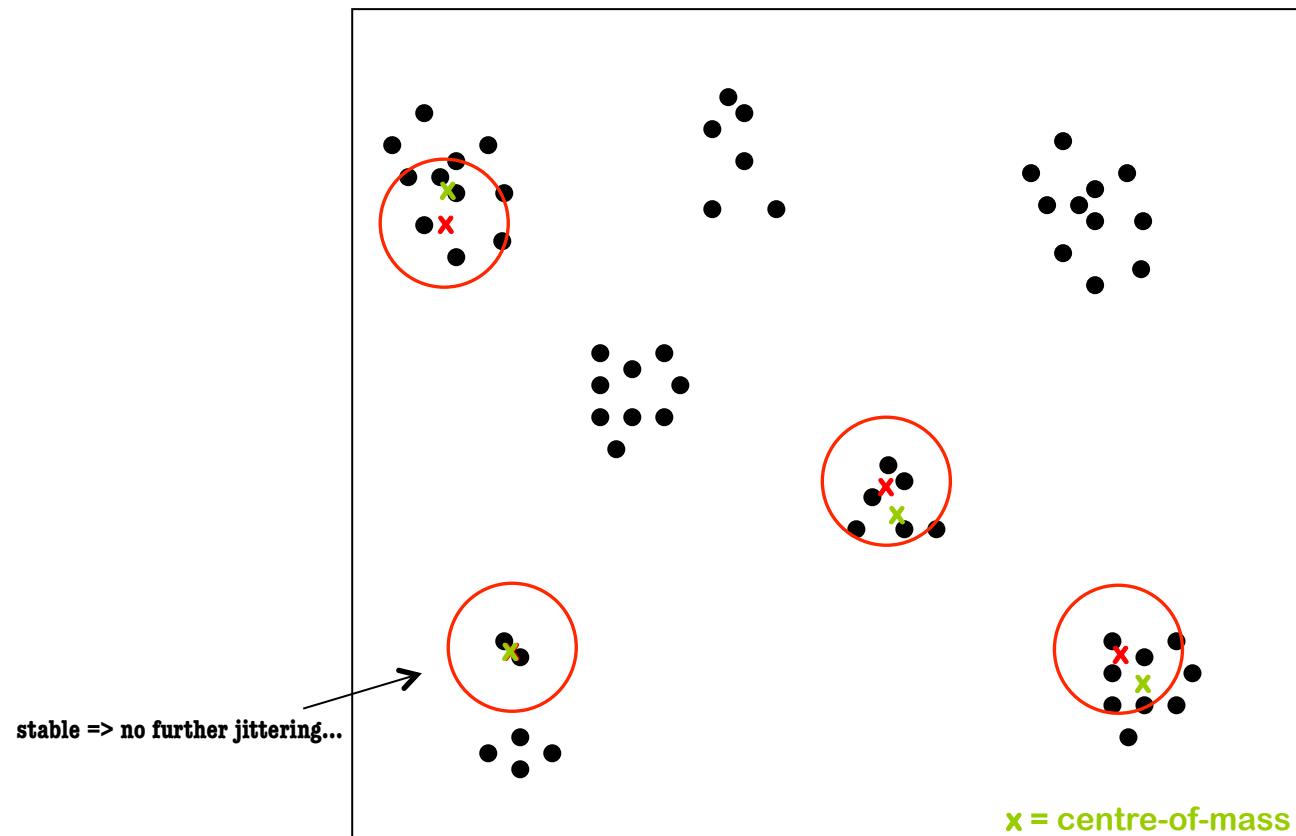
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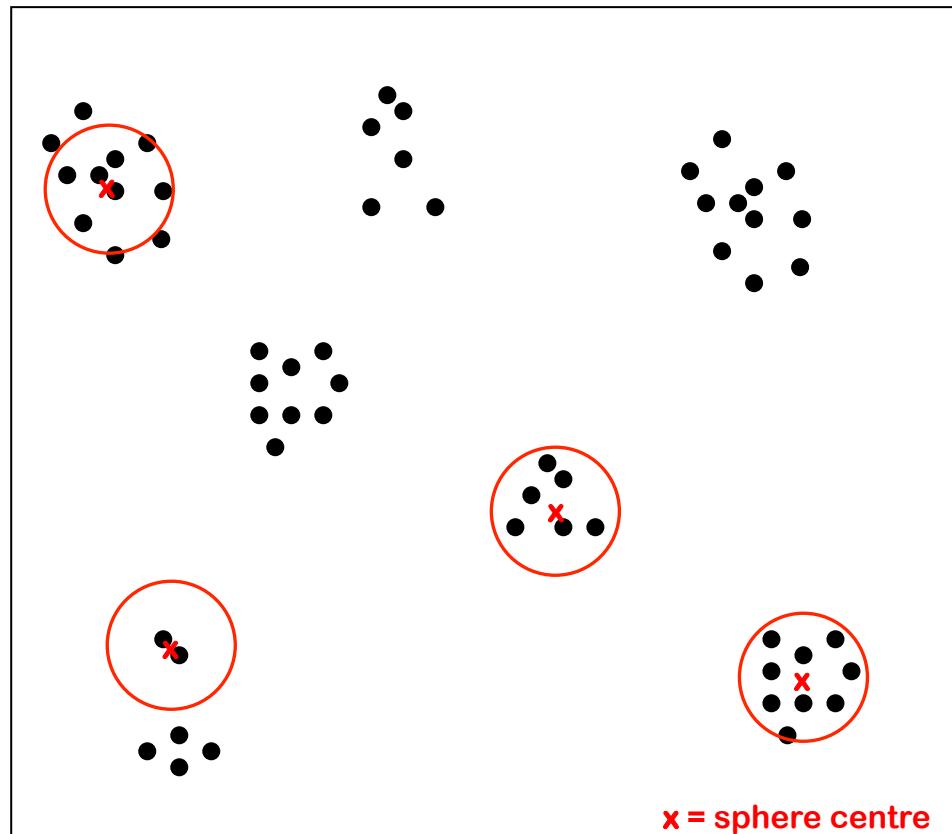
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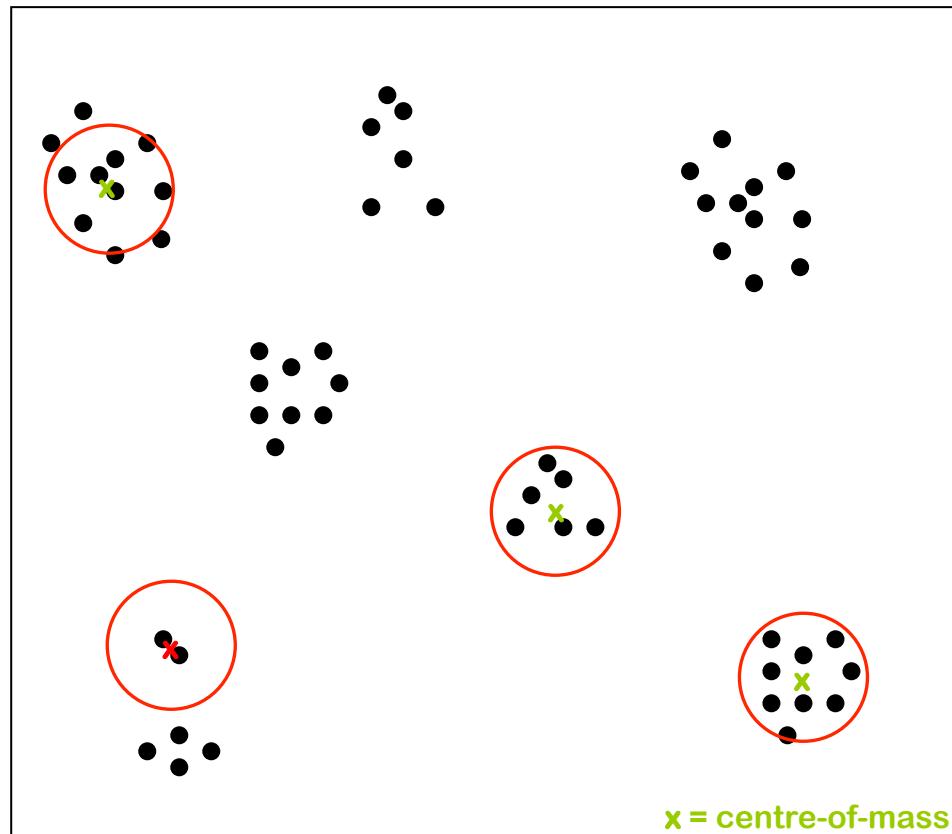
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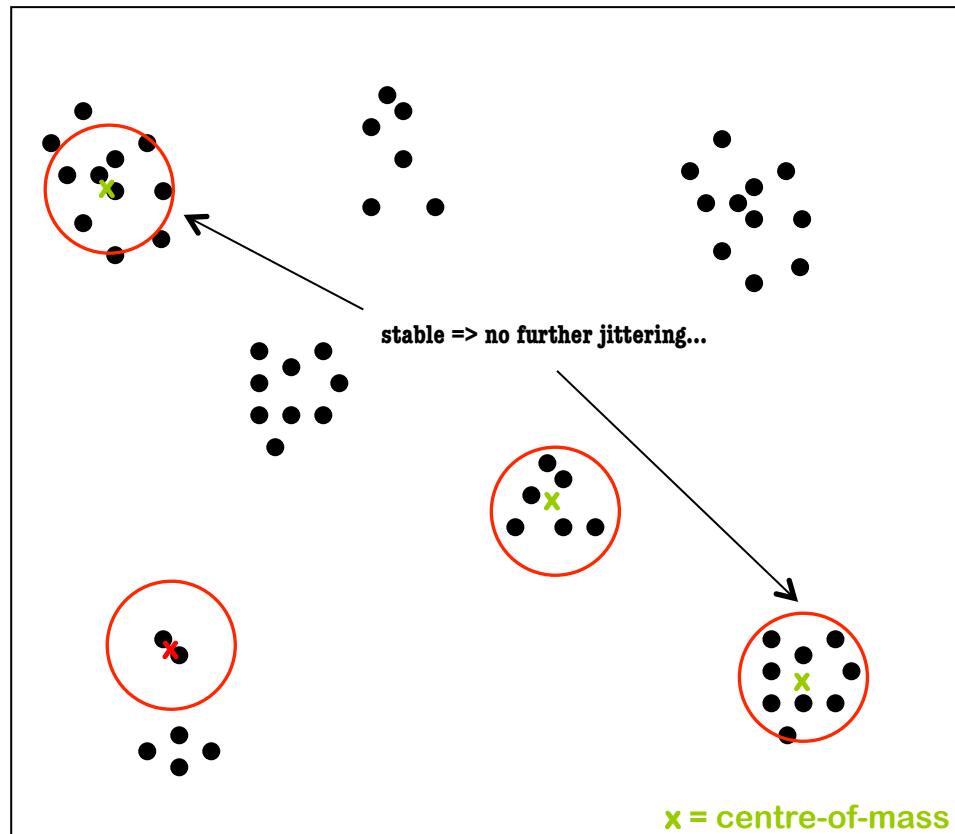
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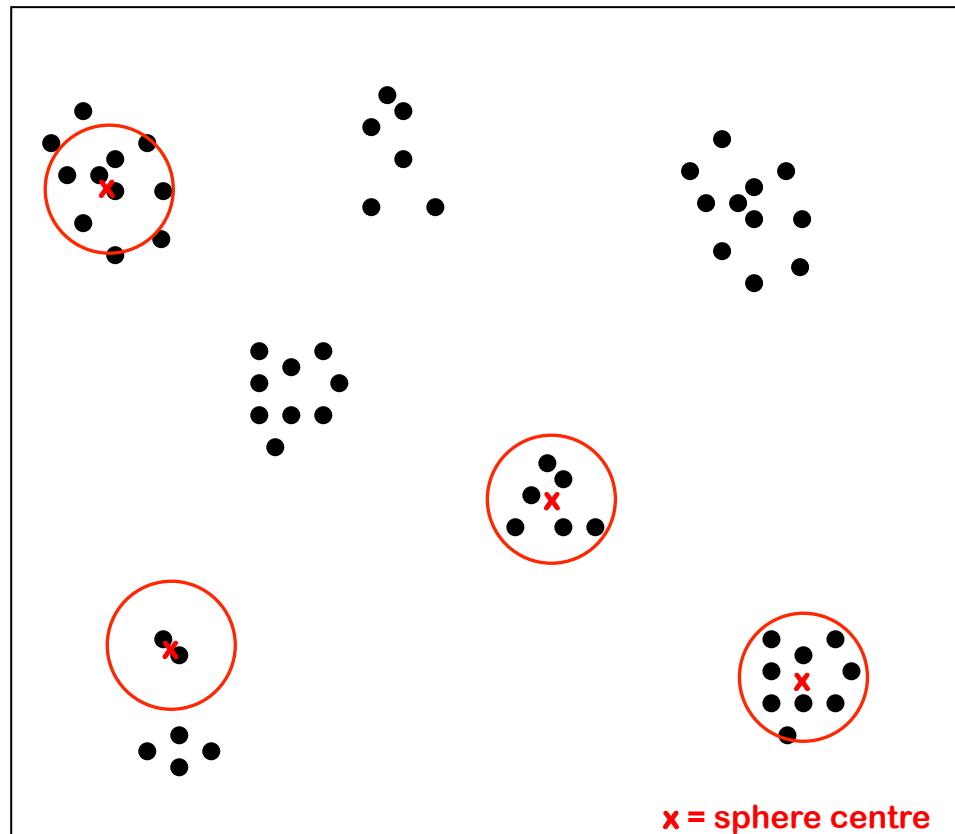
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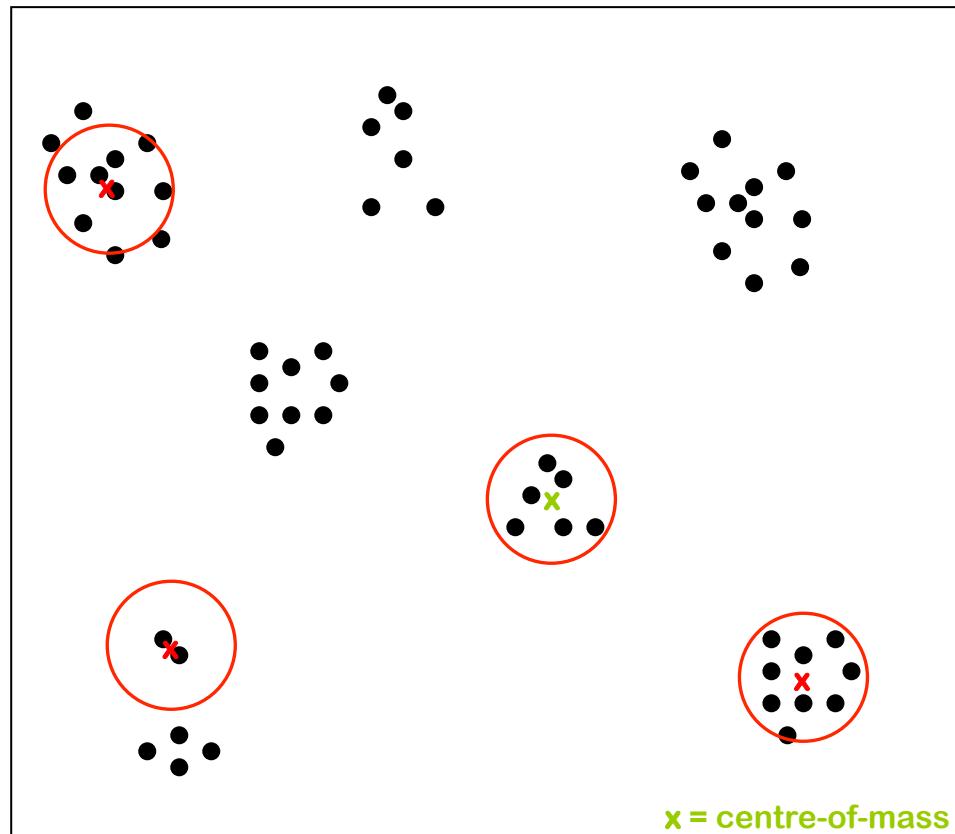
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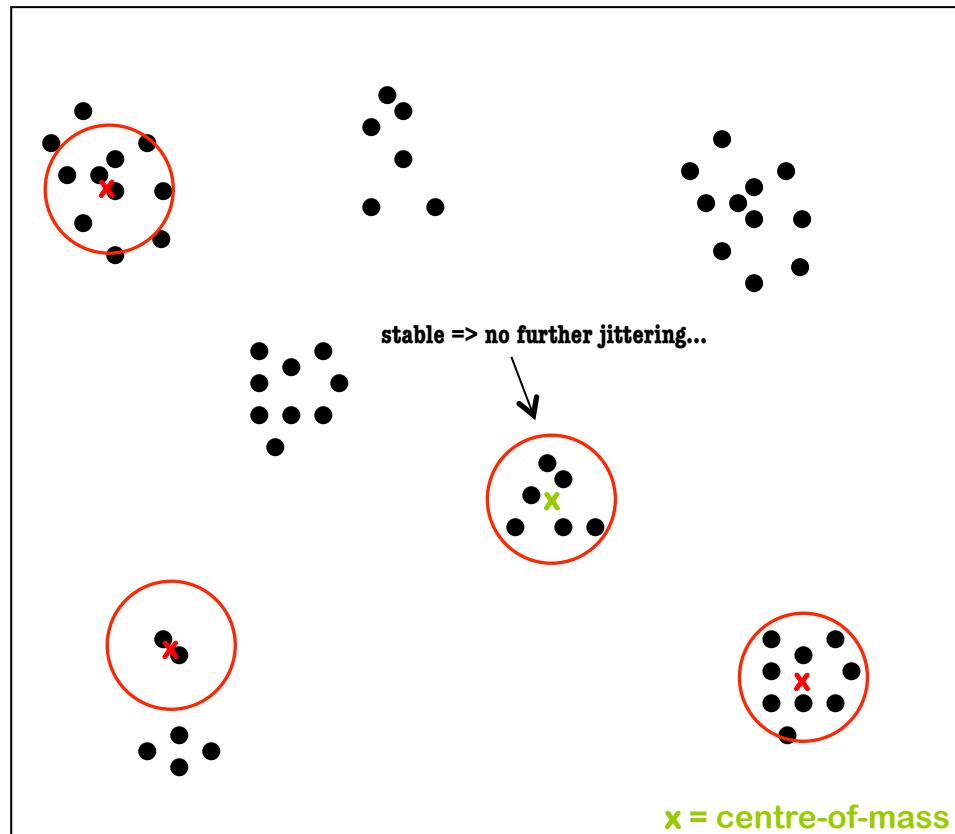
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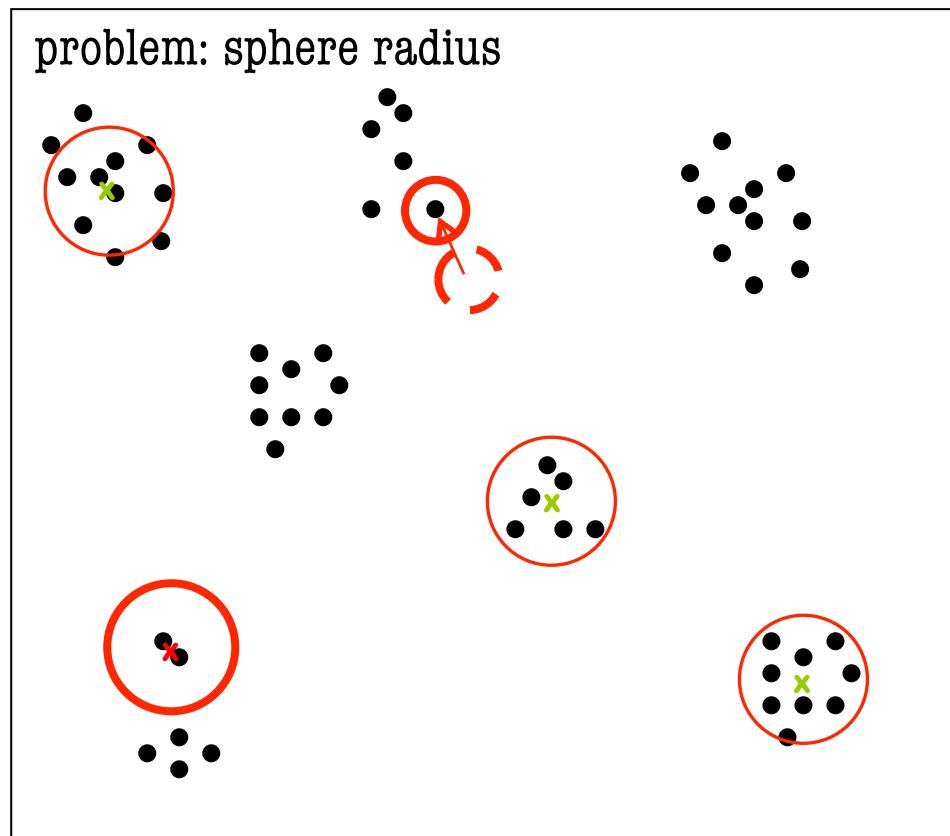


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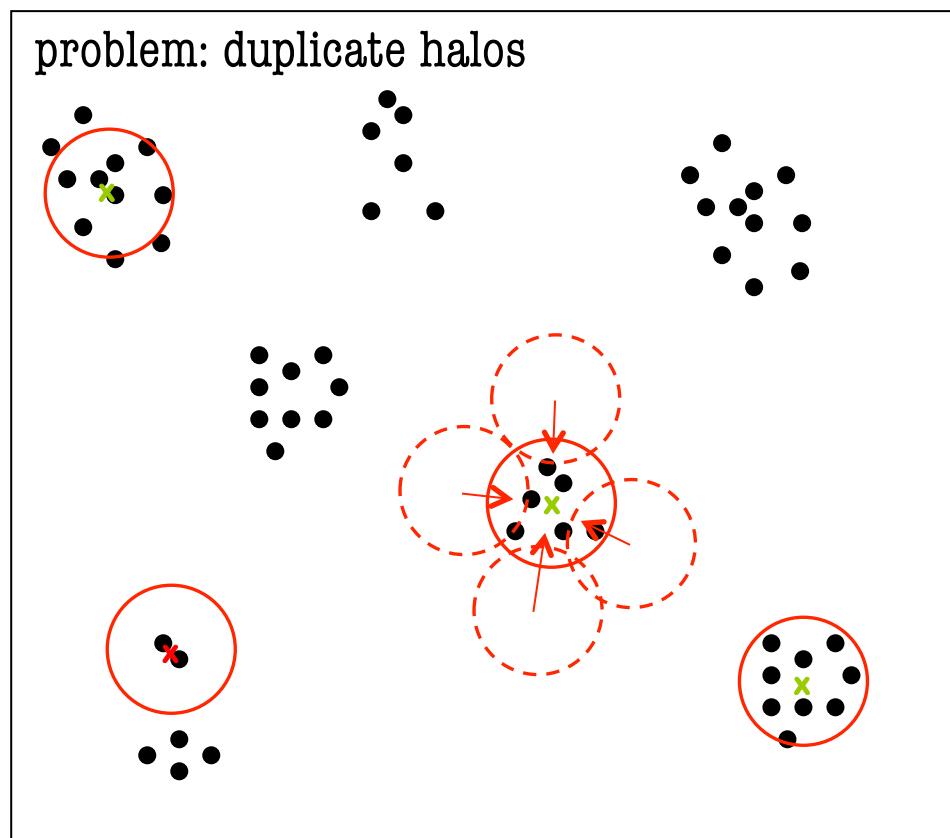
problems/parameter:

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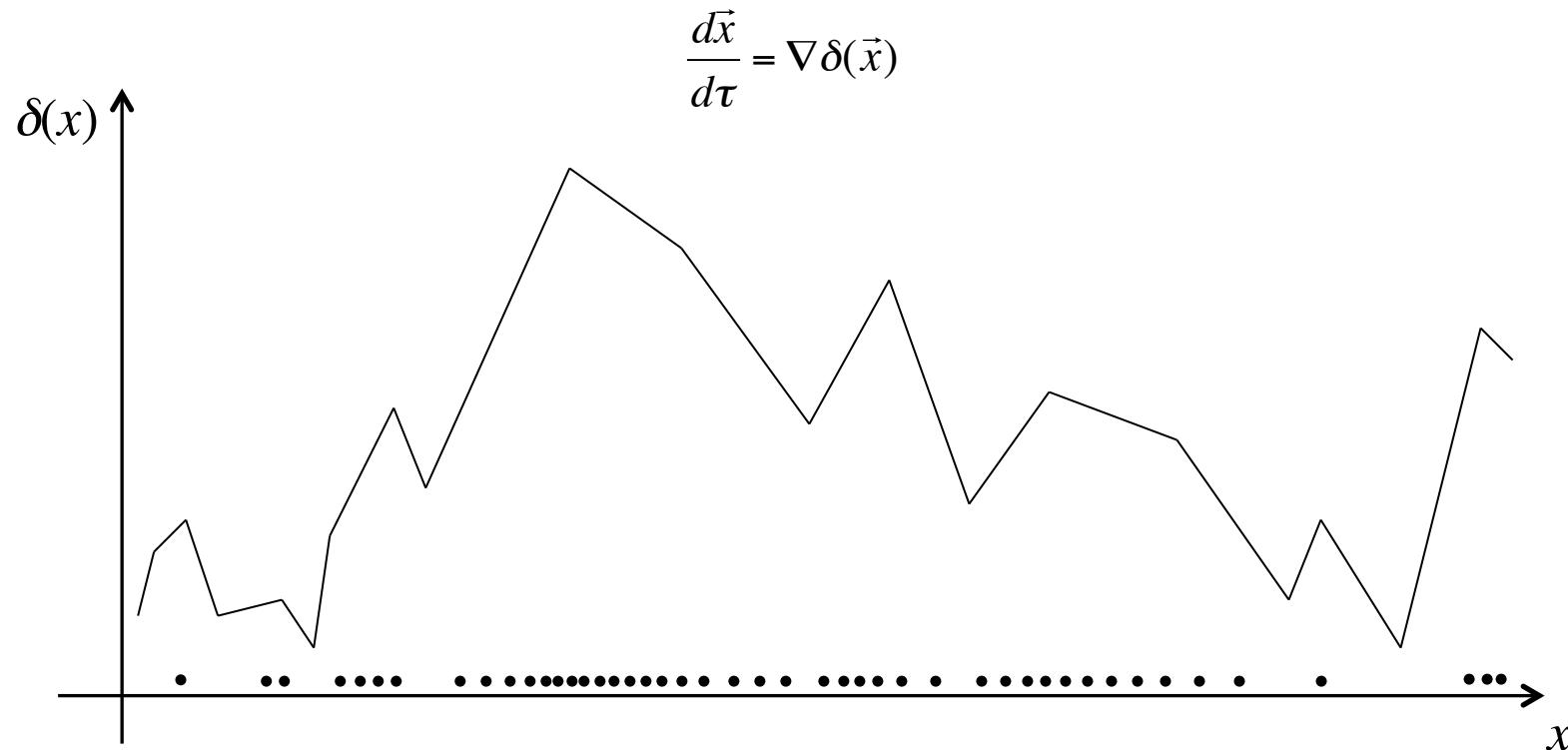
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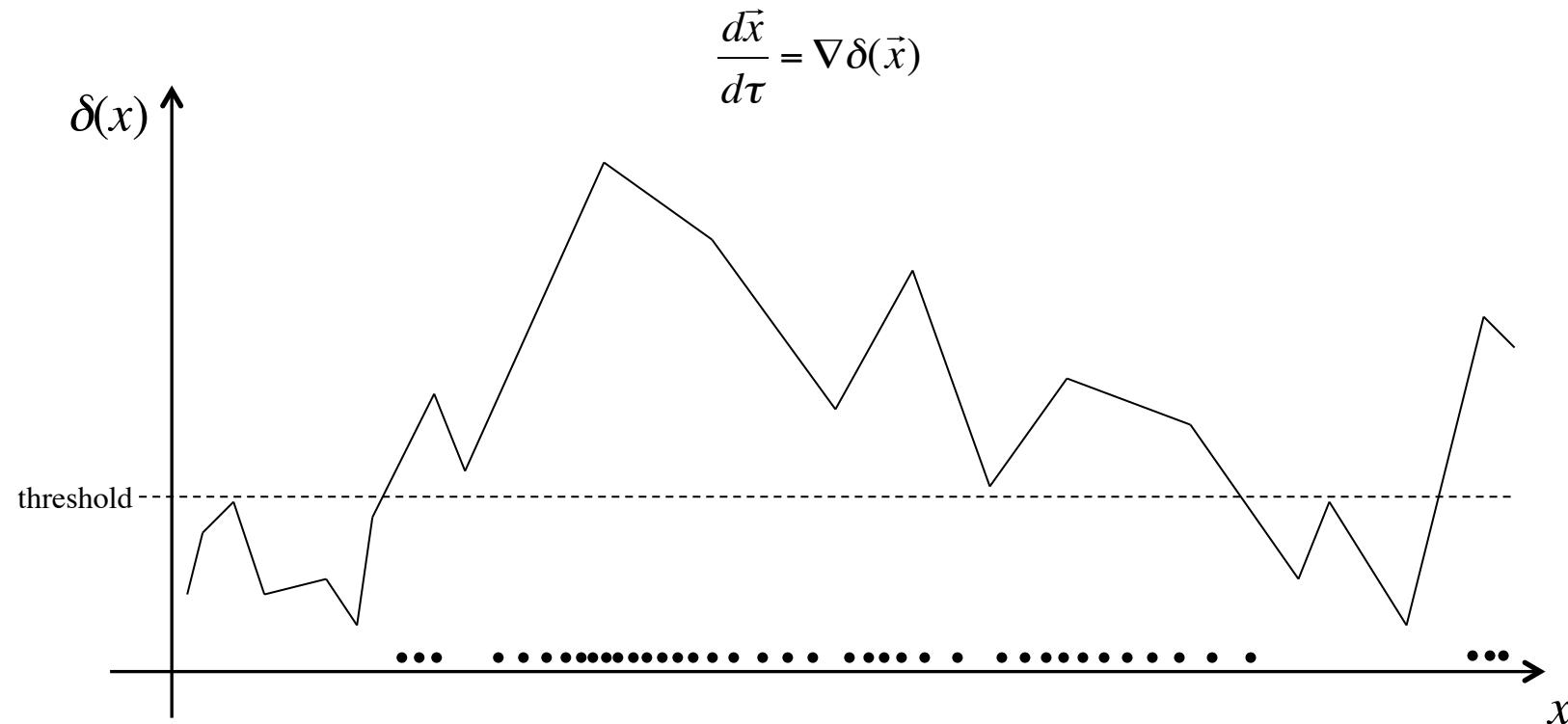
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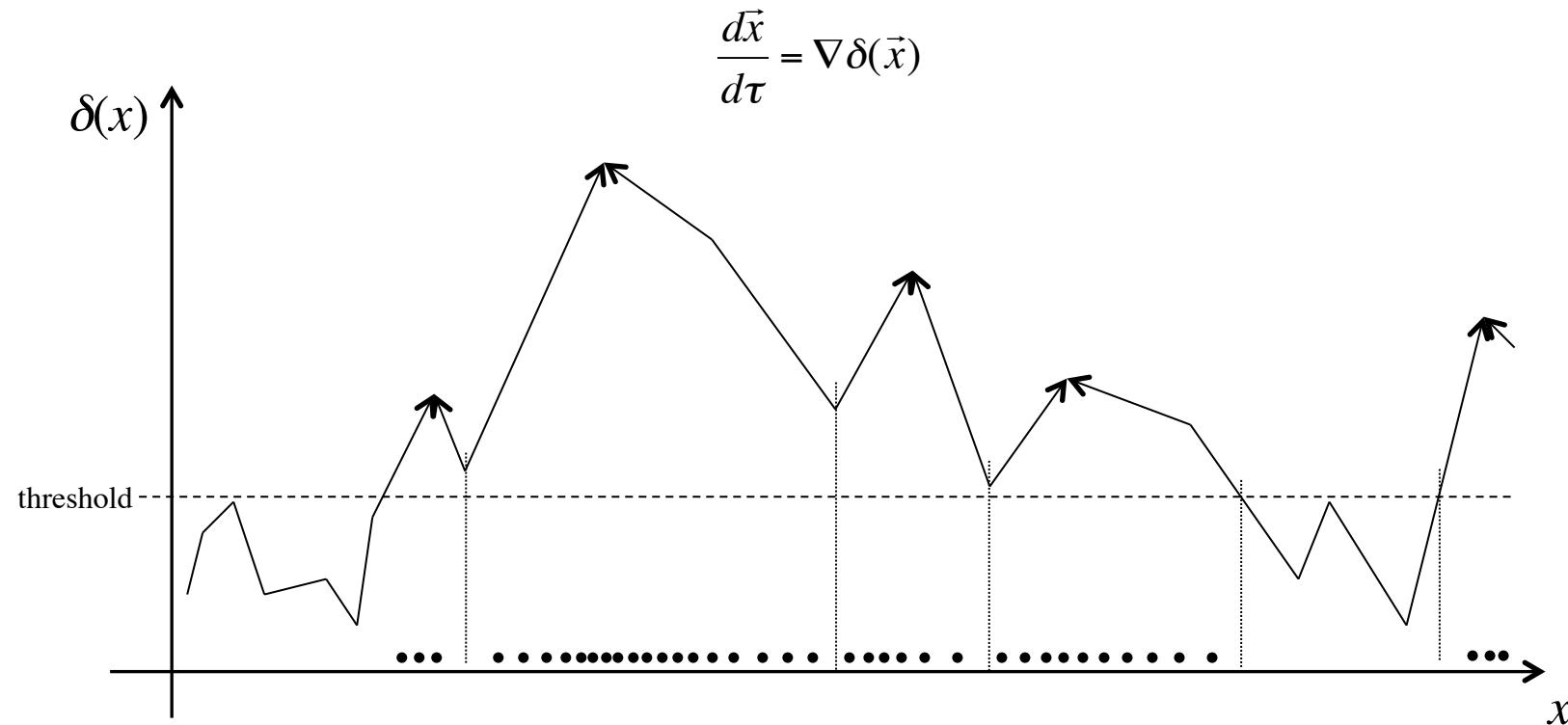
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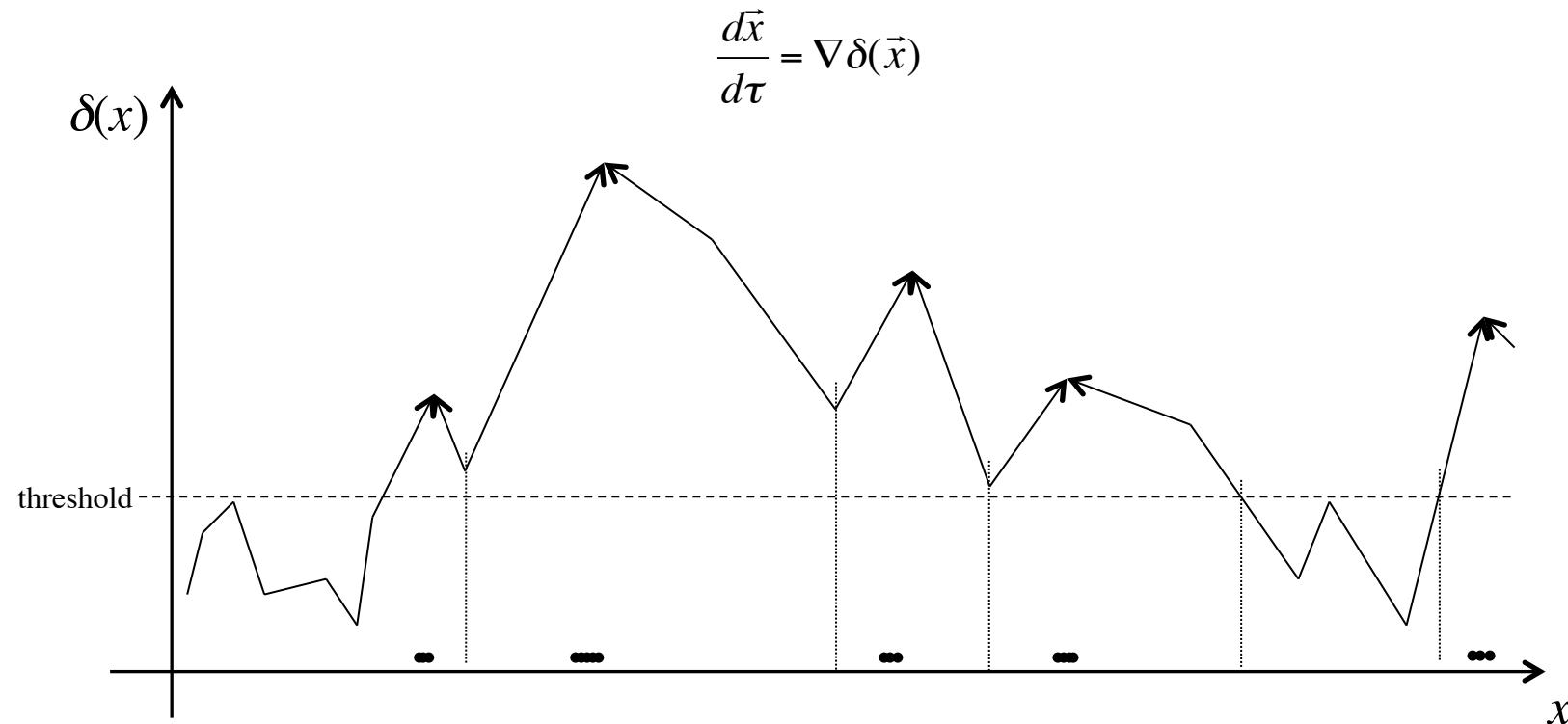
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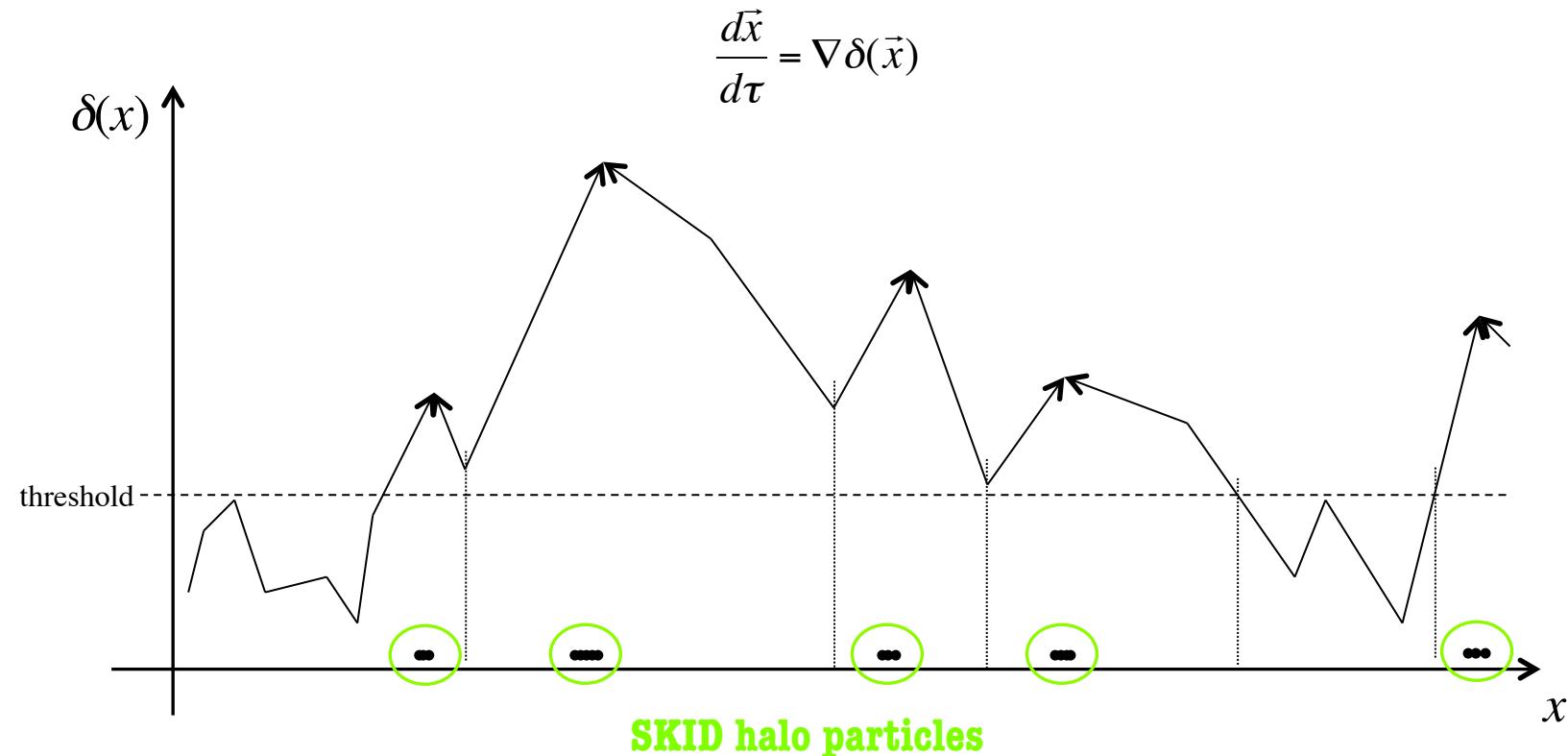
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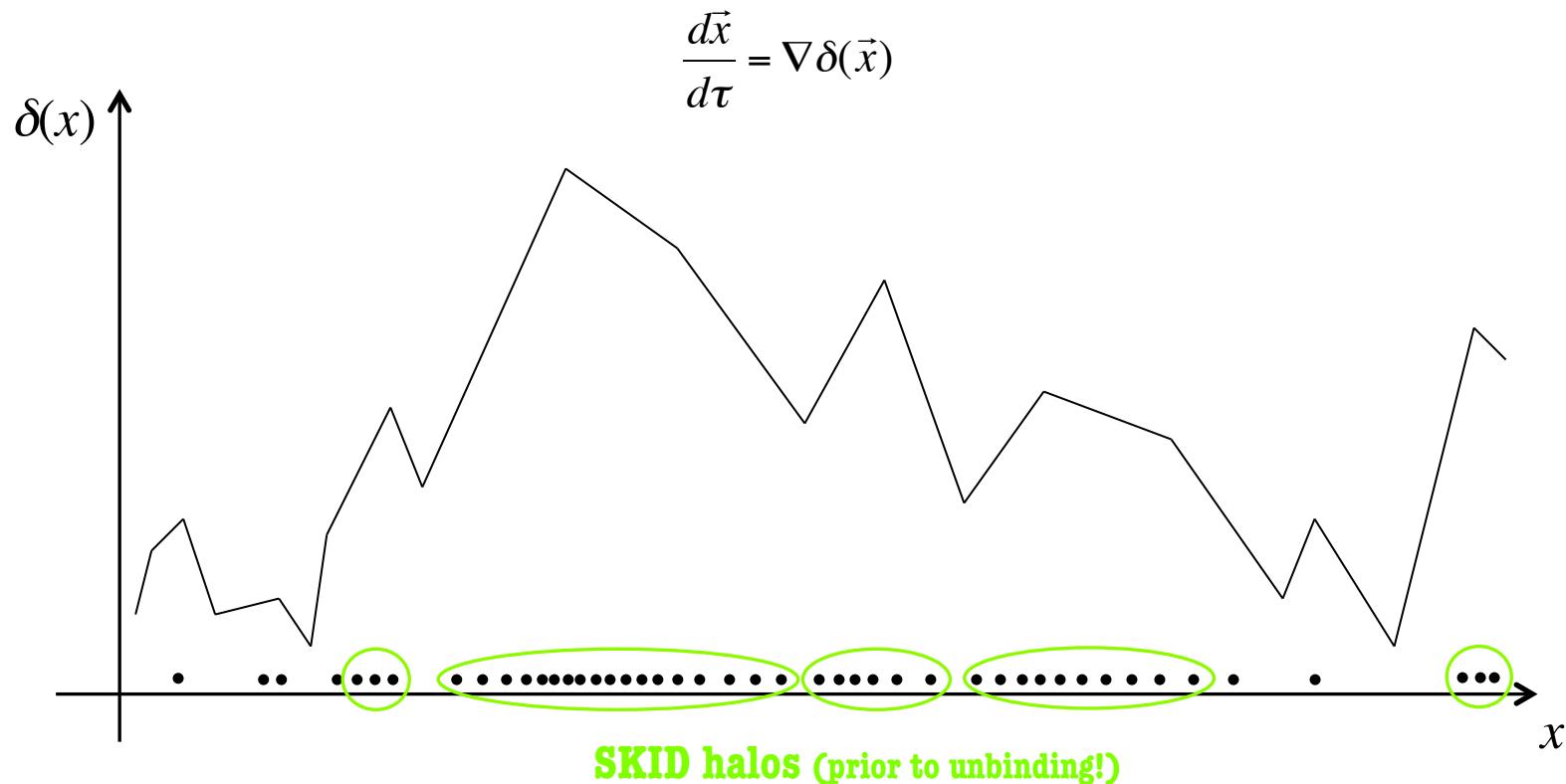


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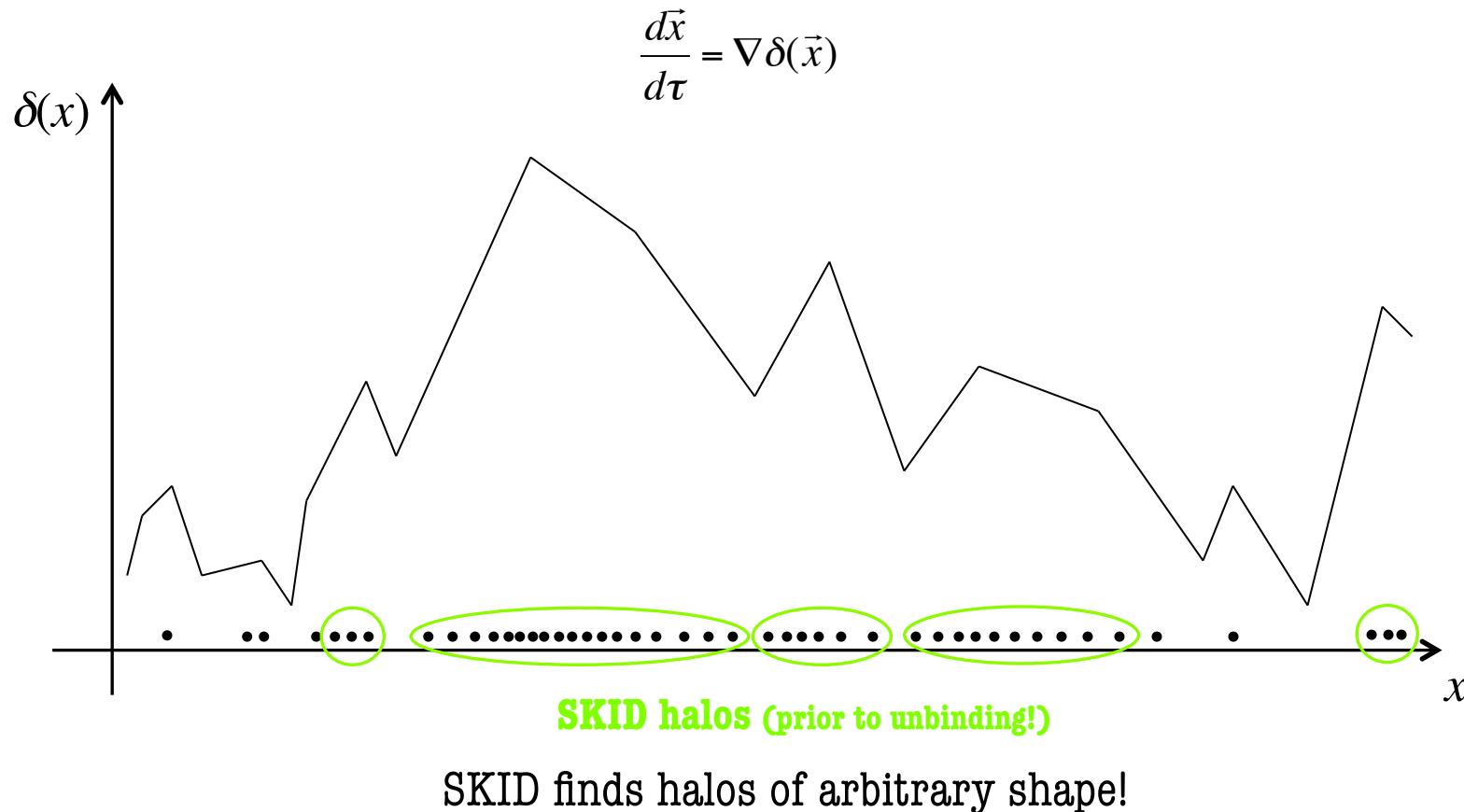


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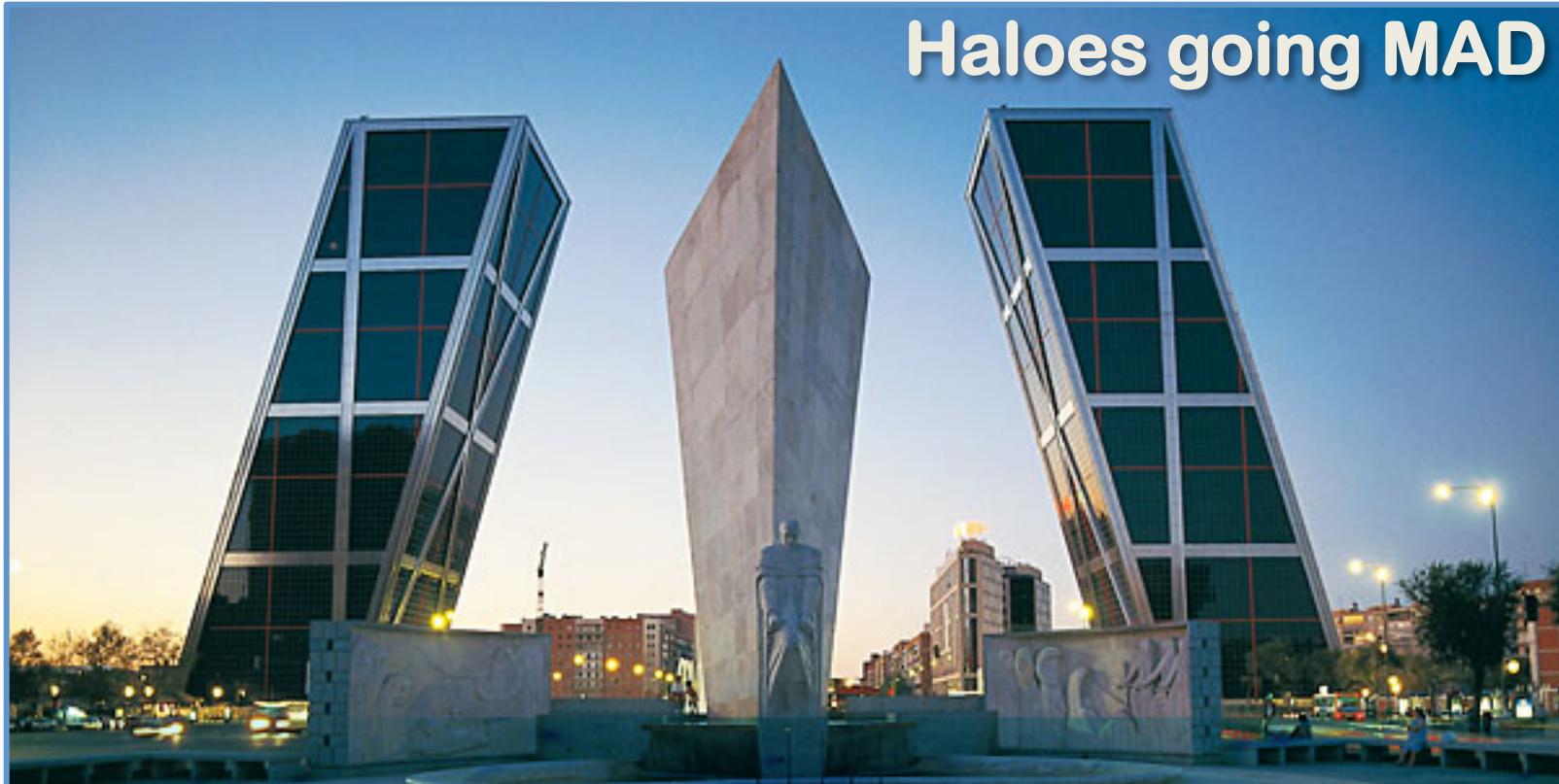
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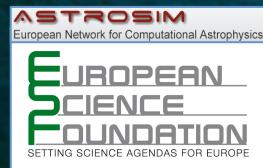


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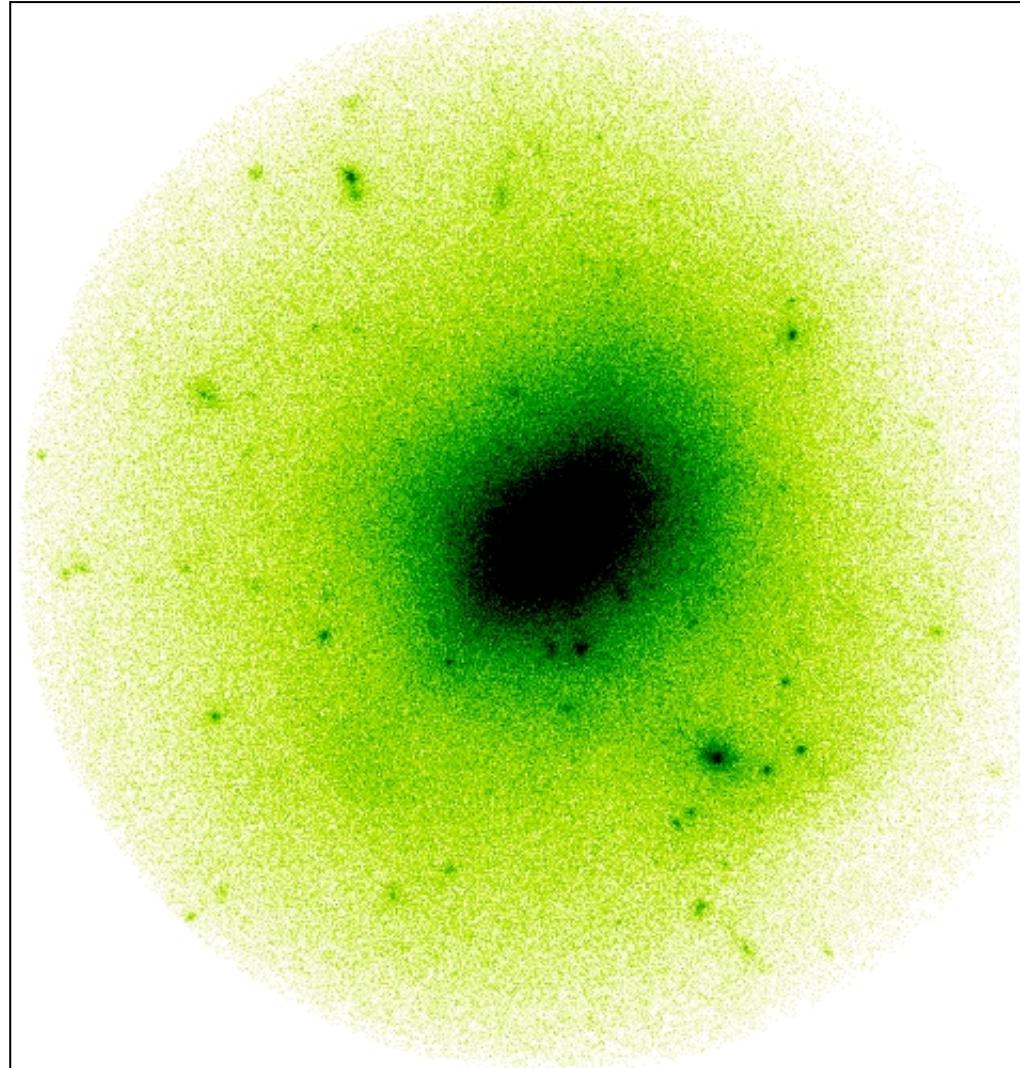
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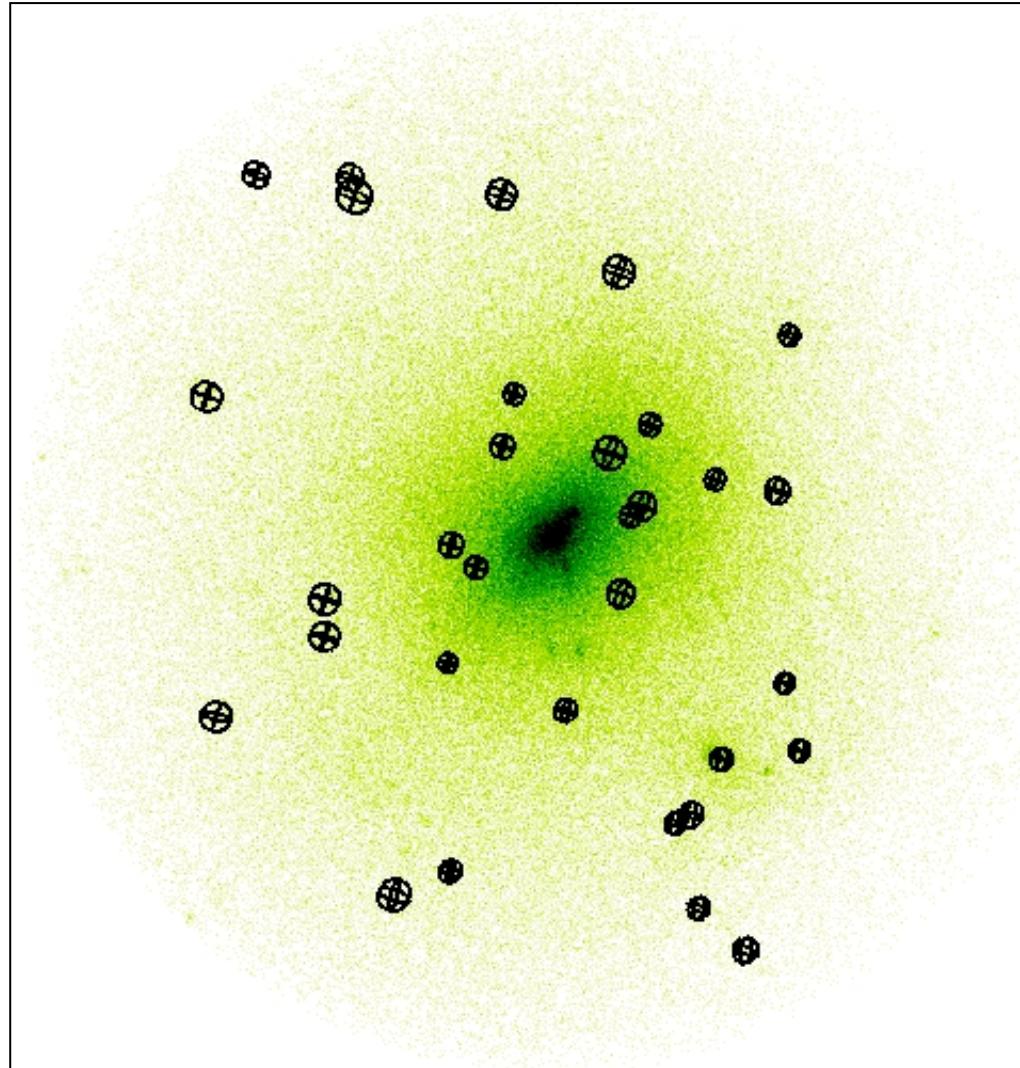
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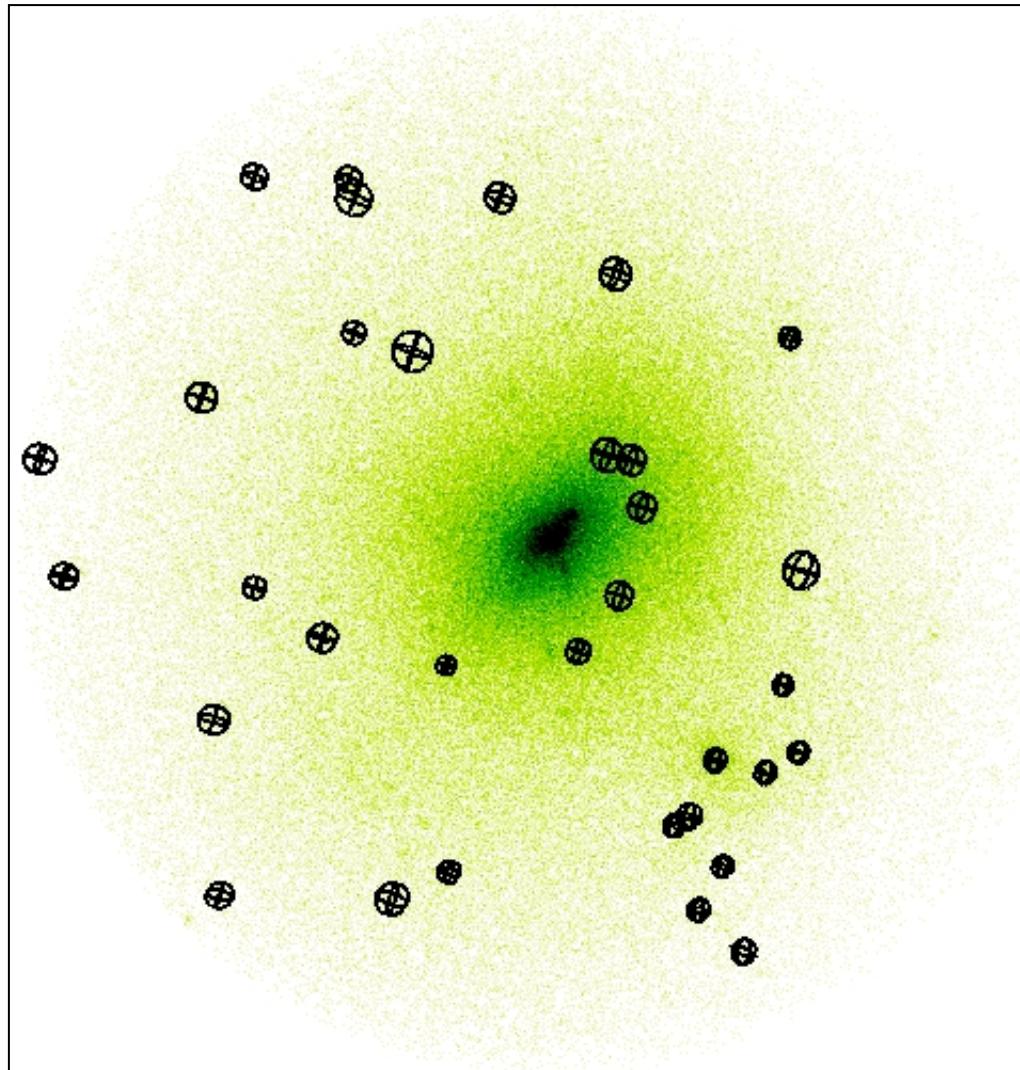
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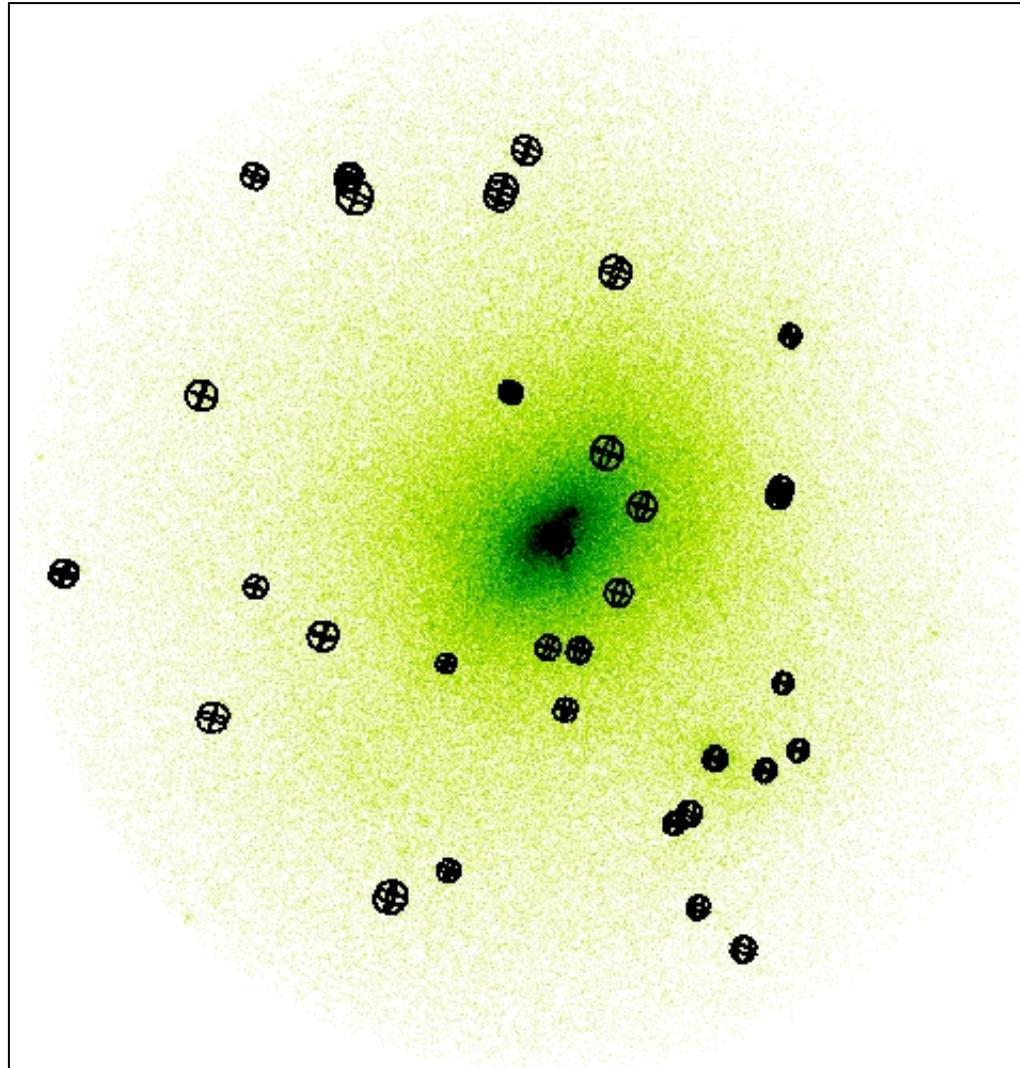
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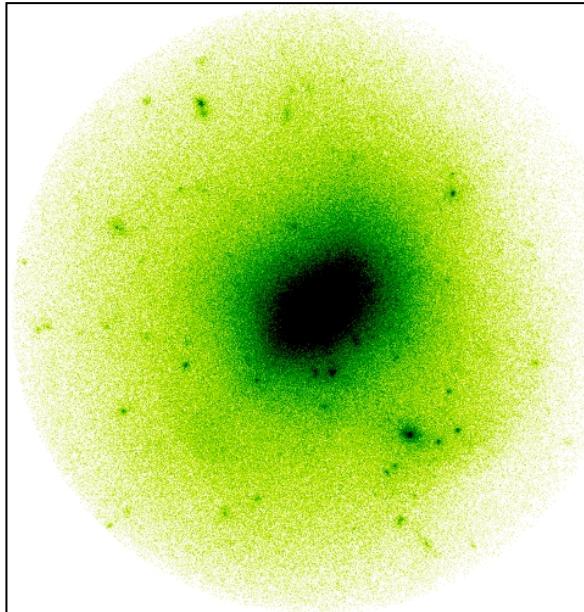
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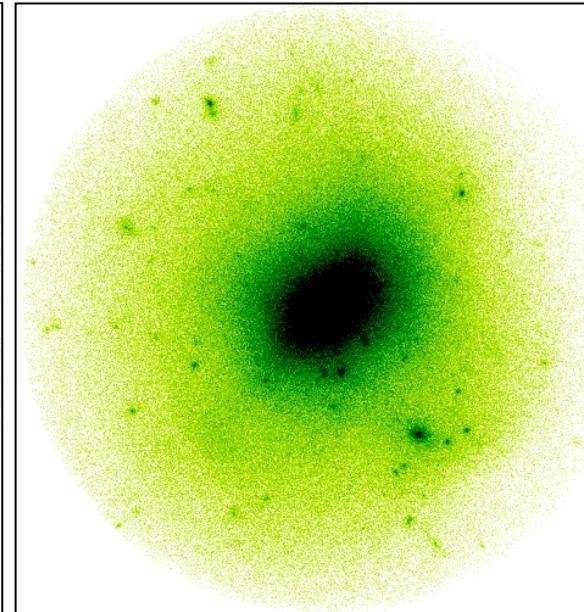
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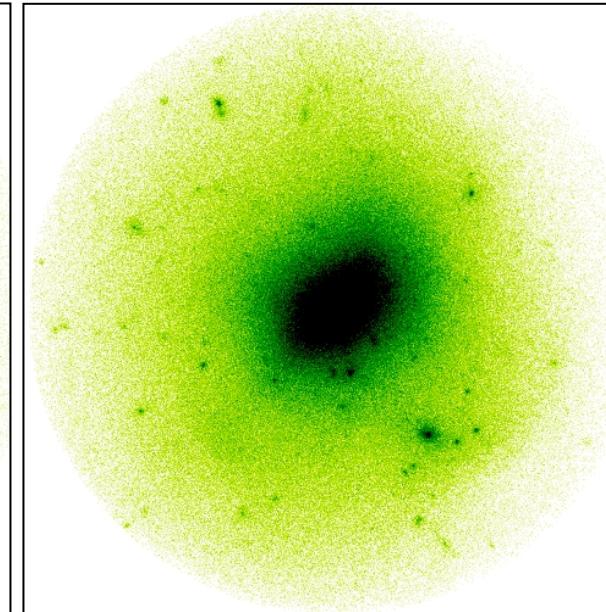
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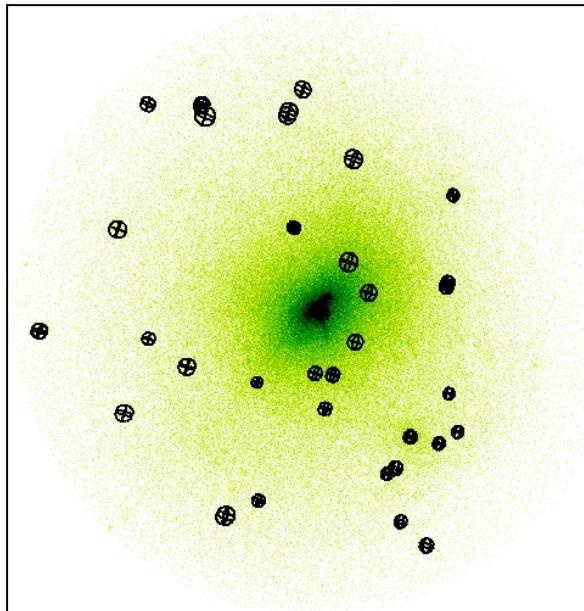
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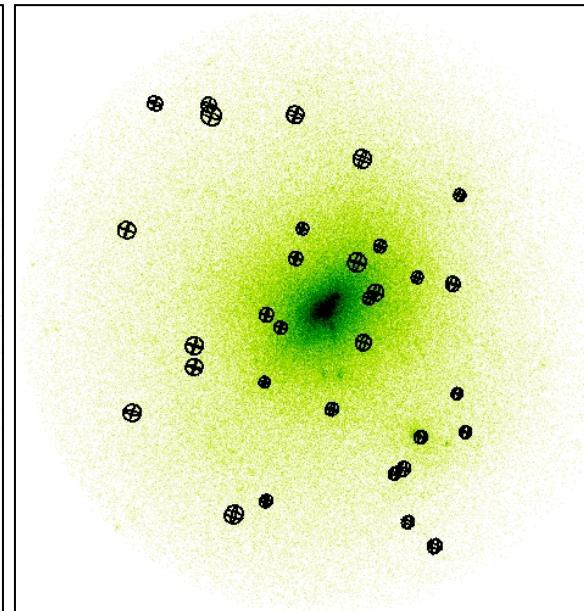
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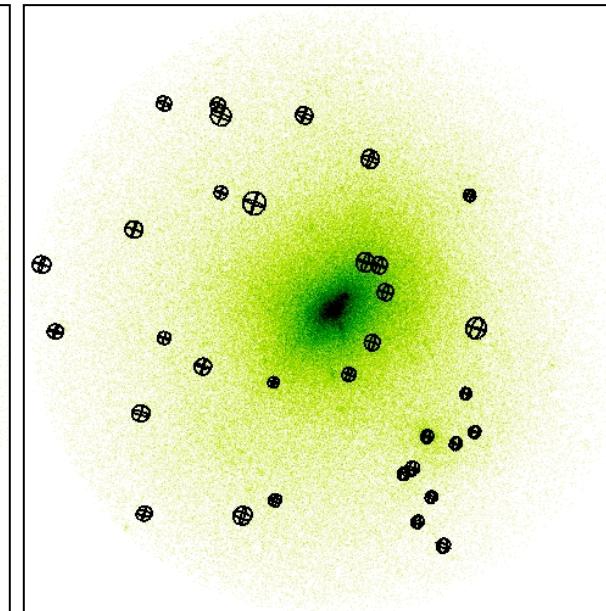
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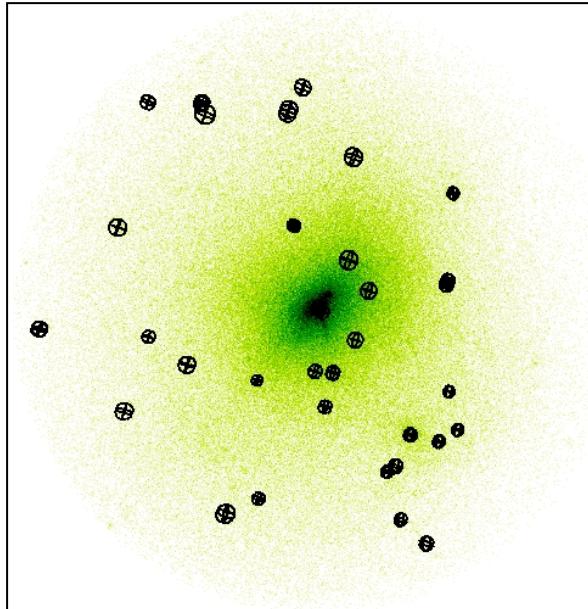
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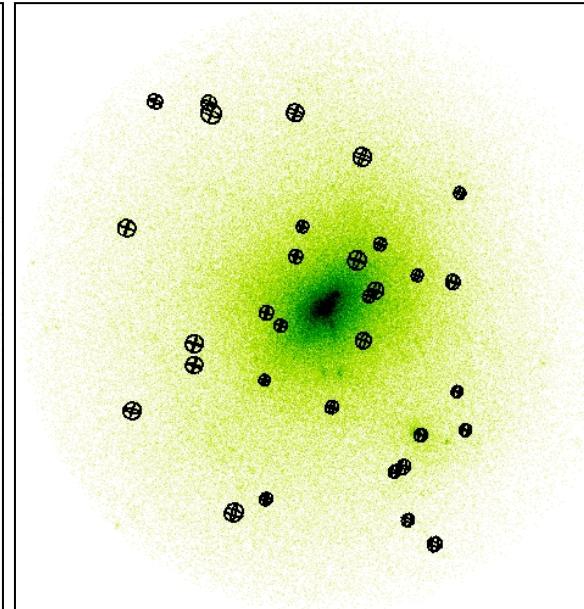
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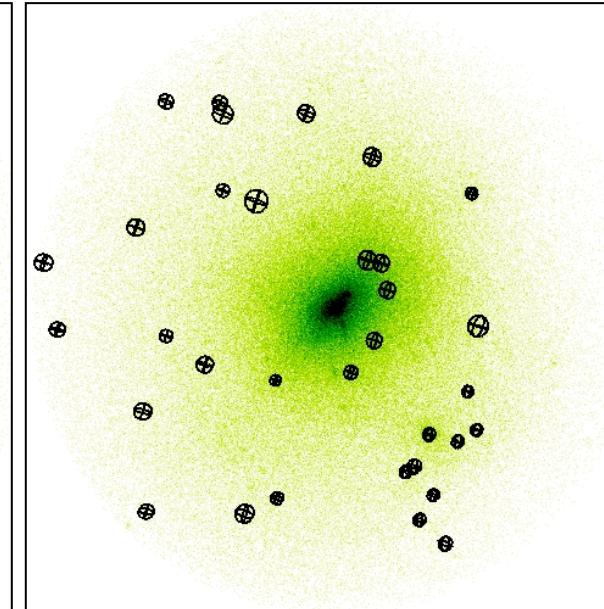
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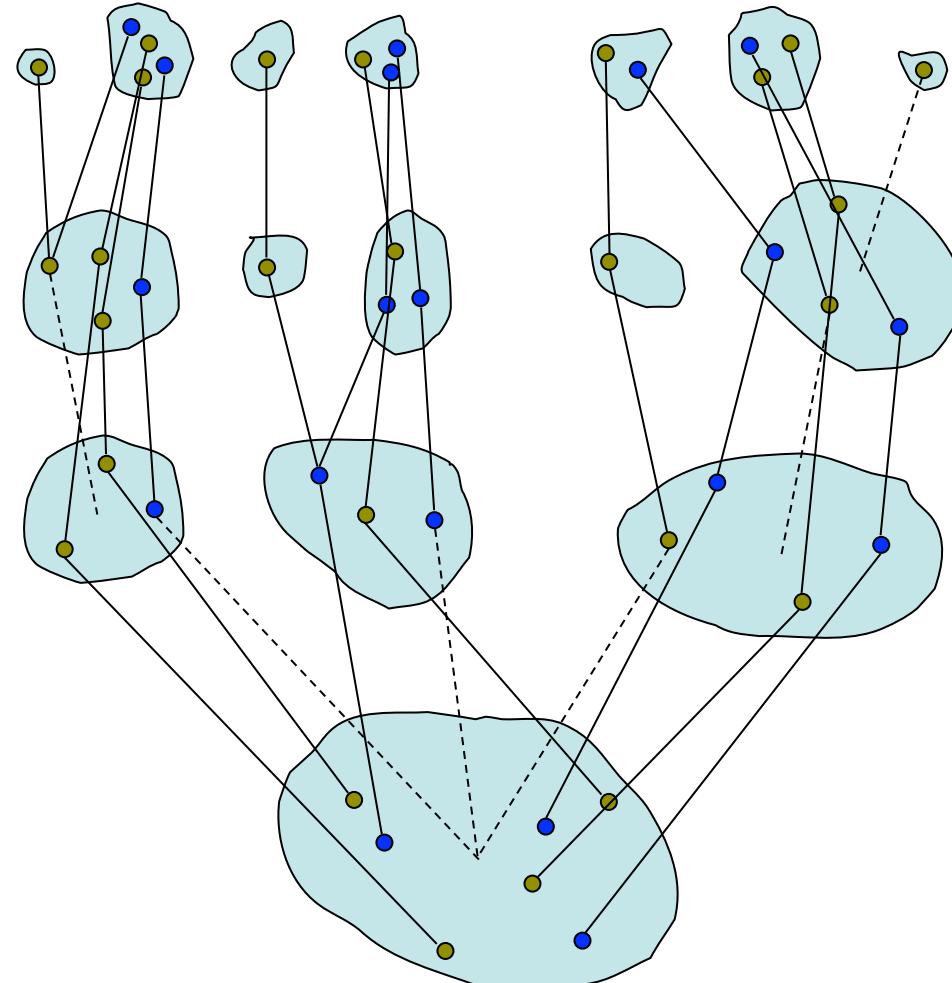
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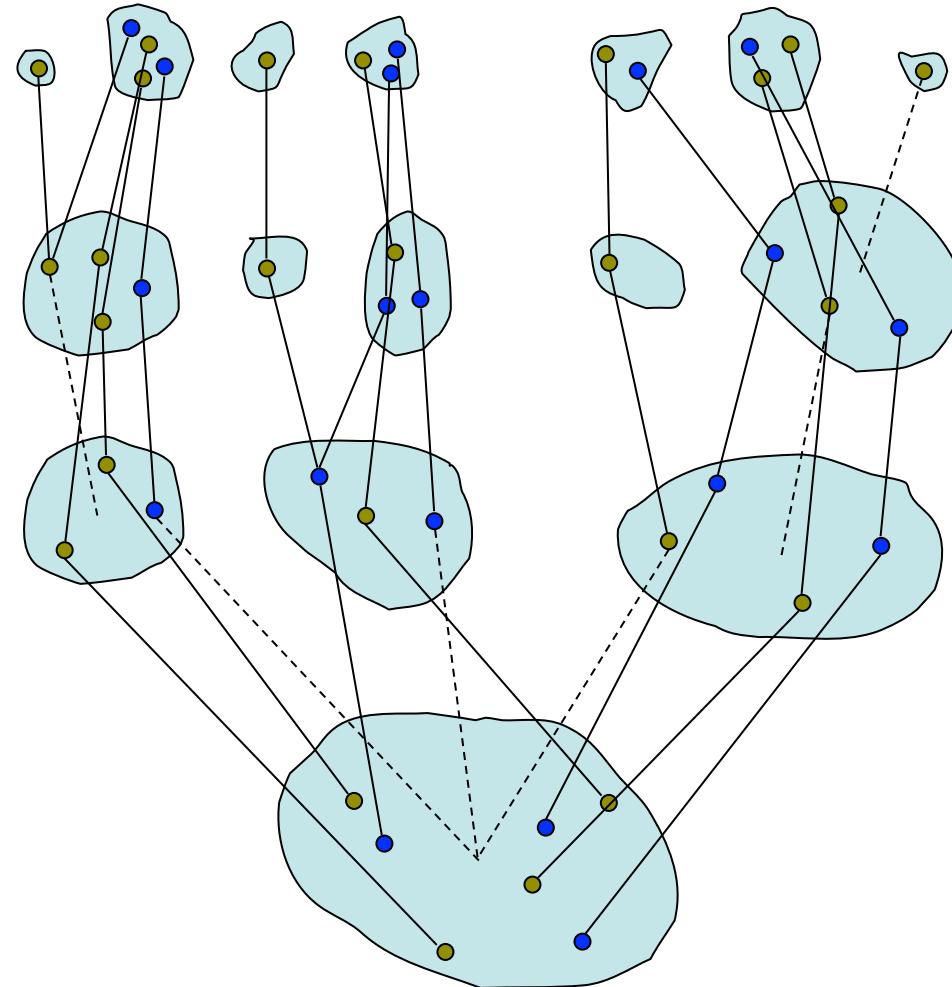


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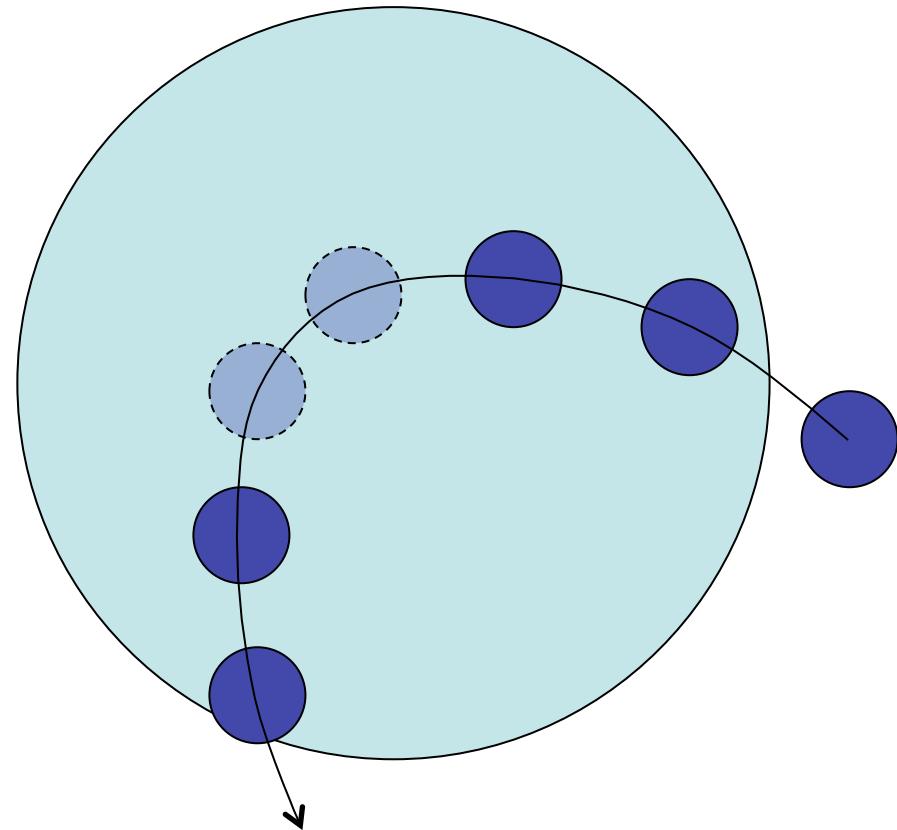
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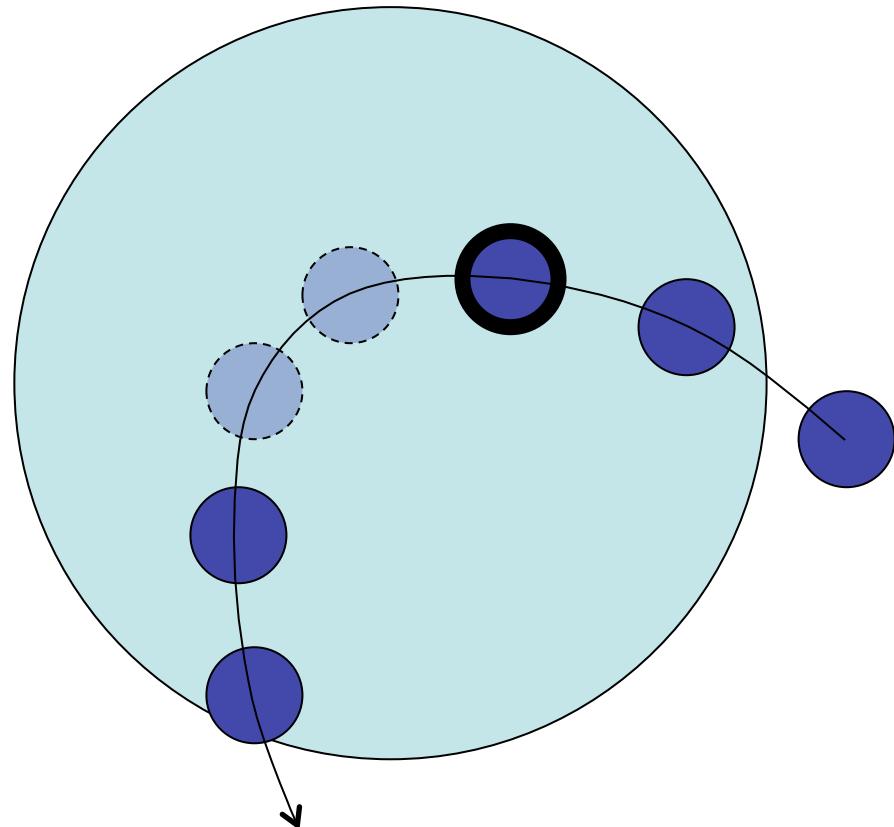


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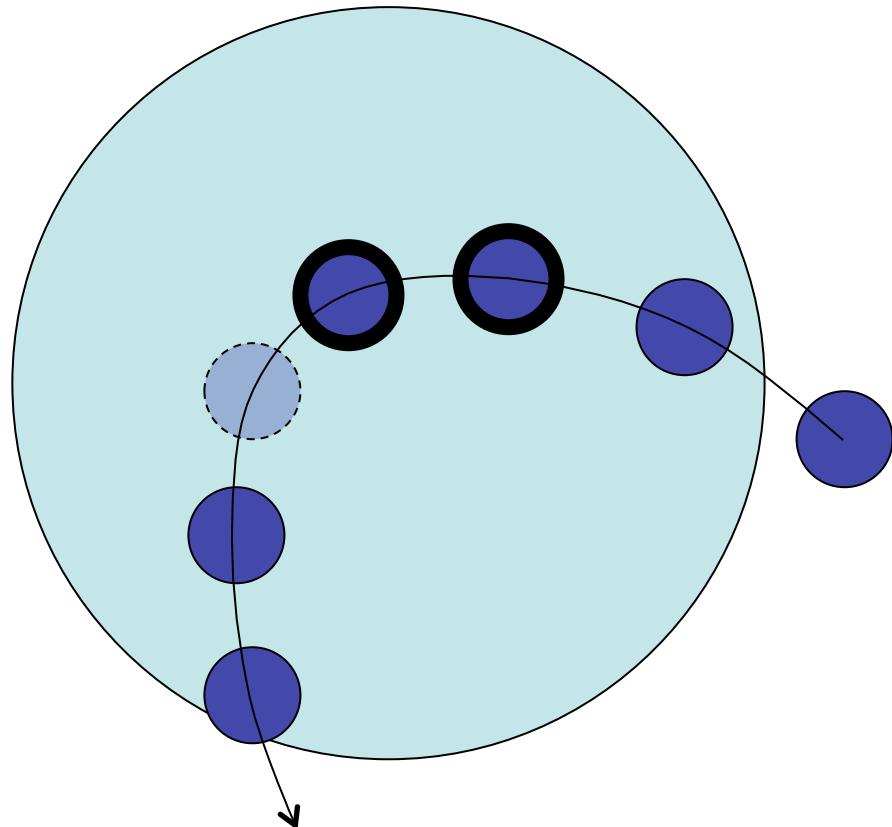
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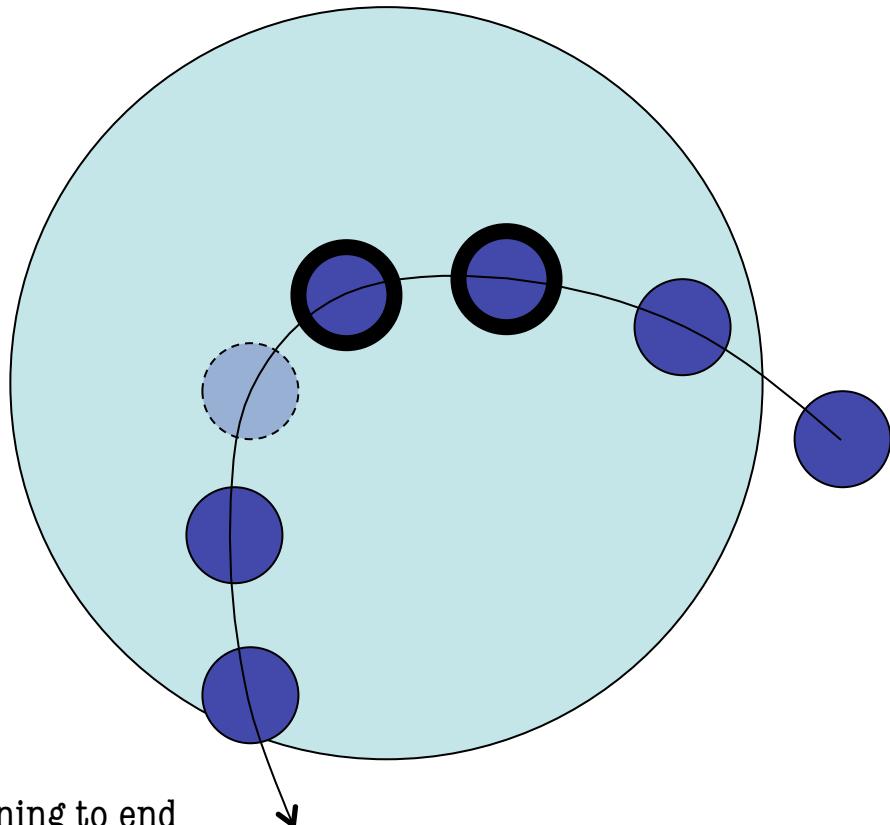
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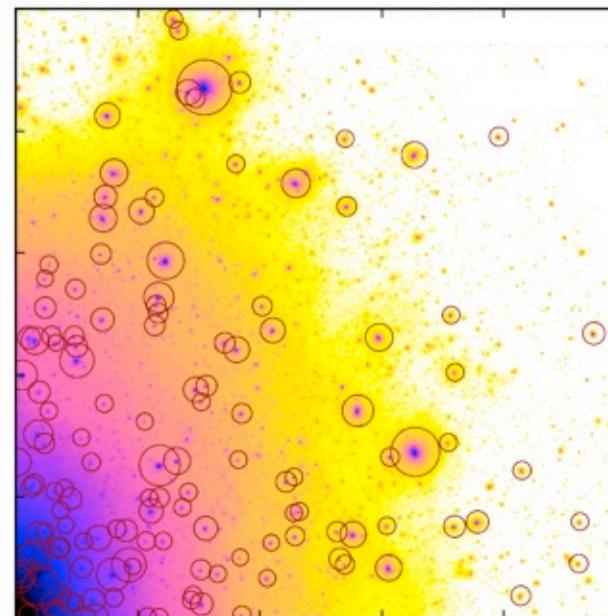
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