

# **FIRE IN THE FIELD**



**SIMULATING THE  
THRESHOLD OF GALAXY FORMATION**

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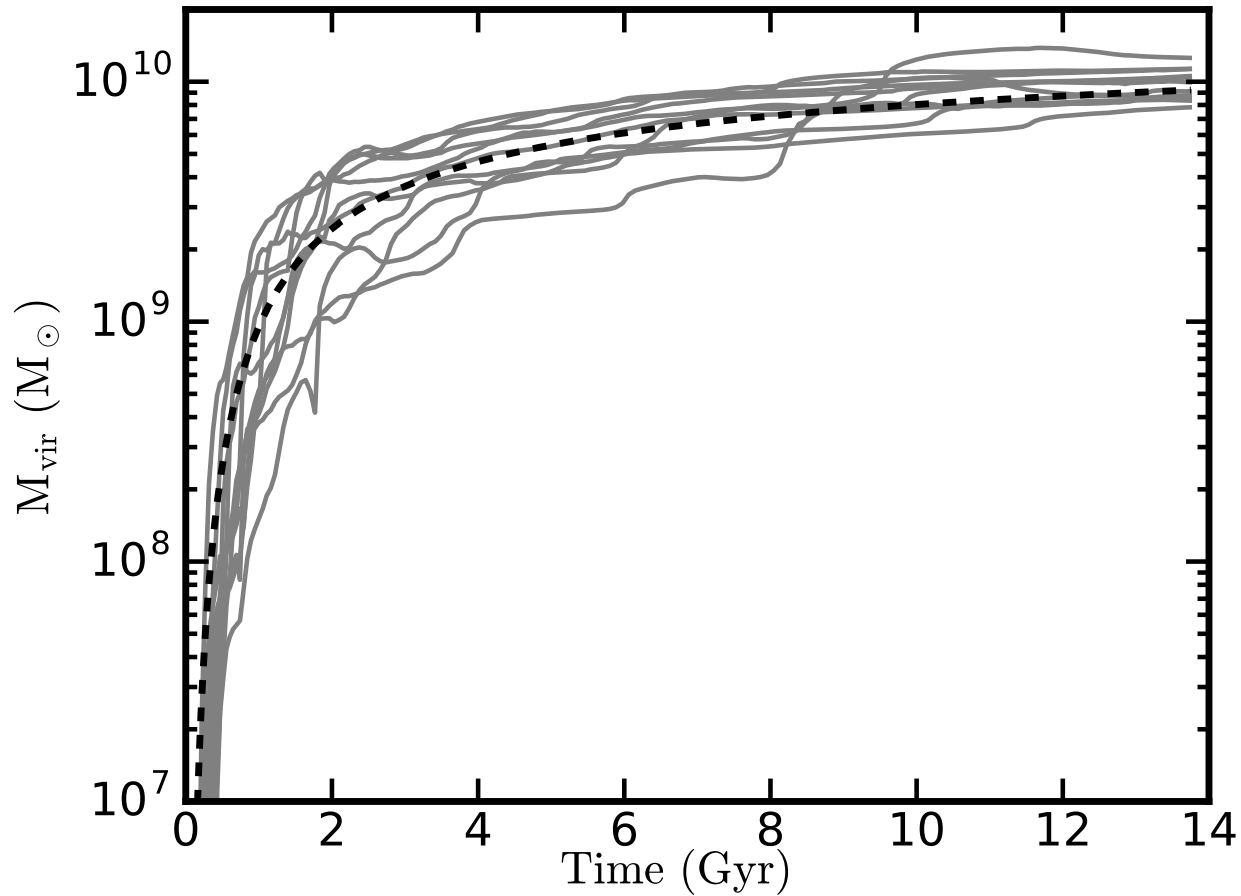
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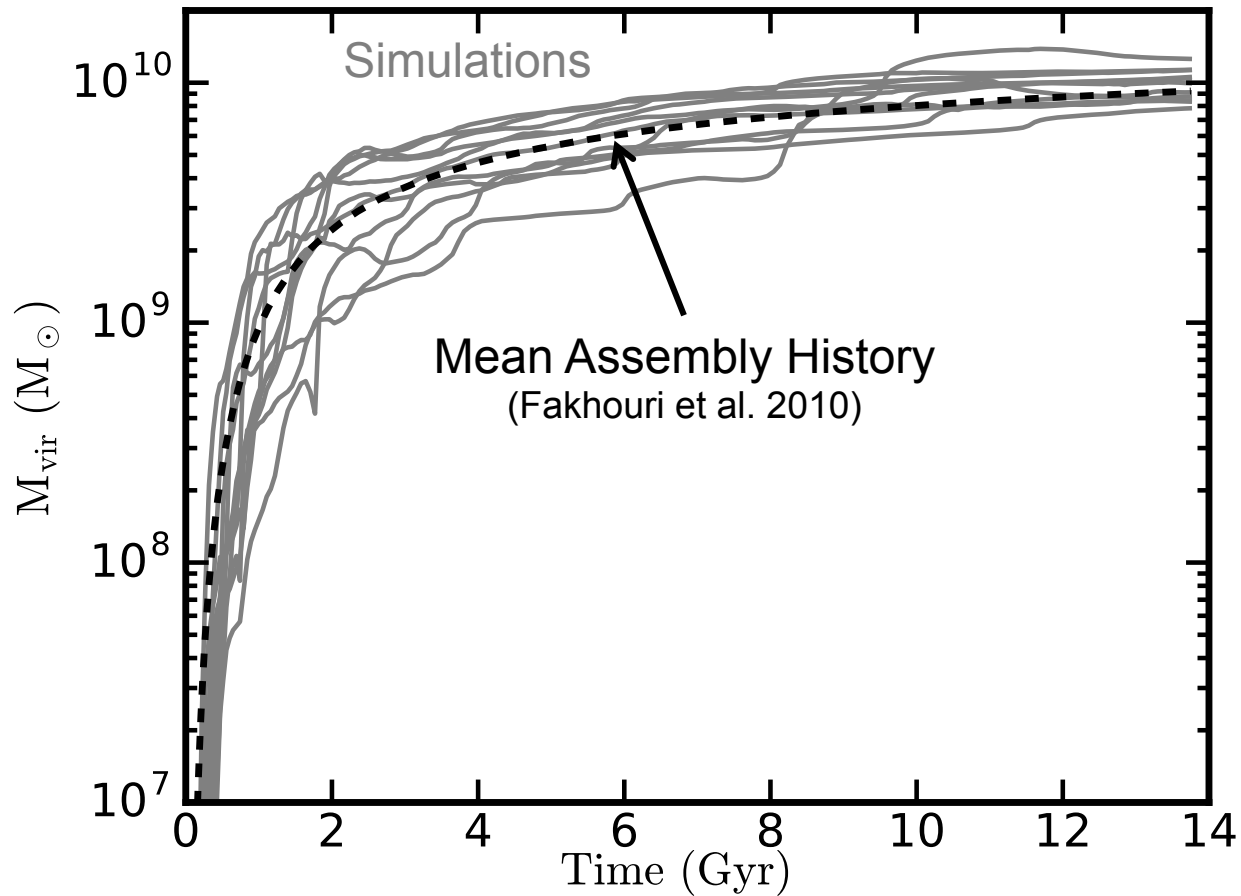
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- **$M_{\text{gas}} \sim 500 M_{\odot}$ ,  $M_{\text{dm}} \sim 2500 M_{\odot}$**



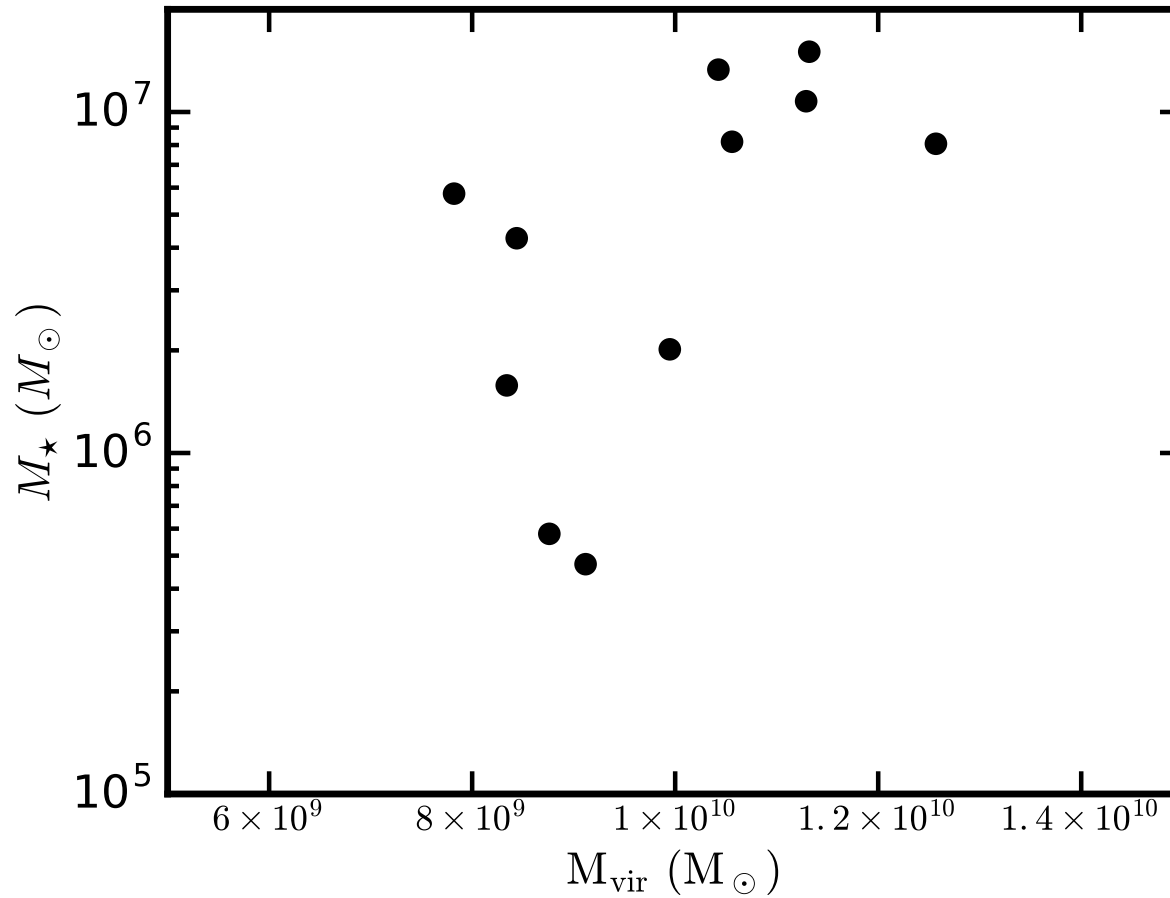
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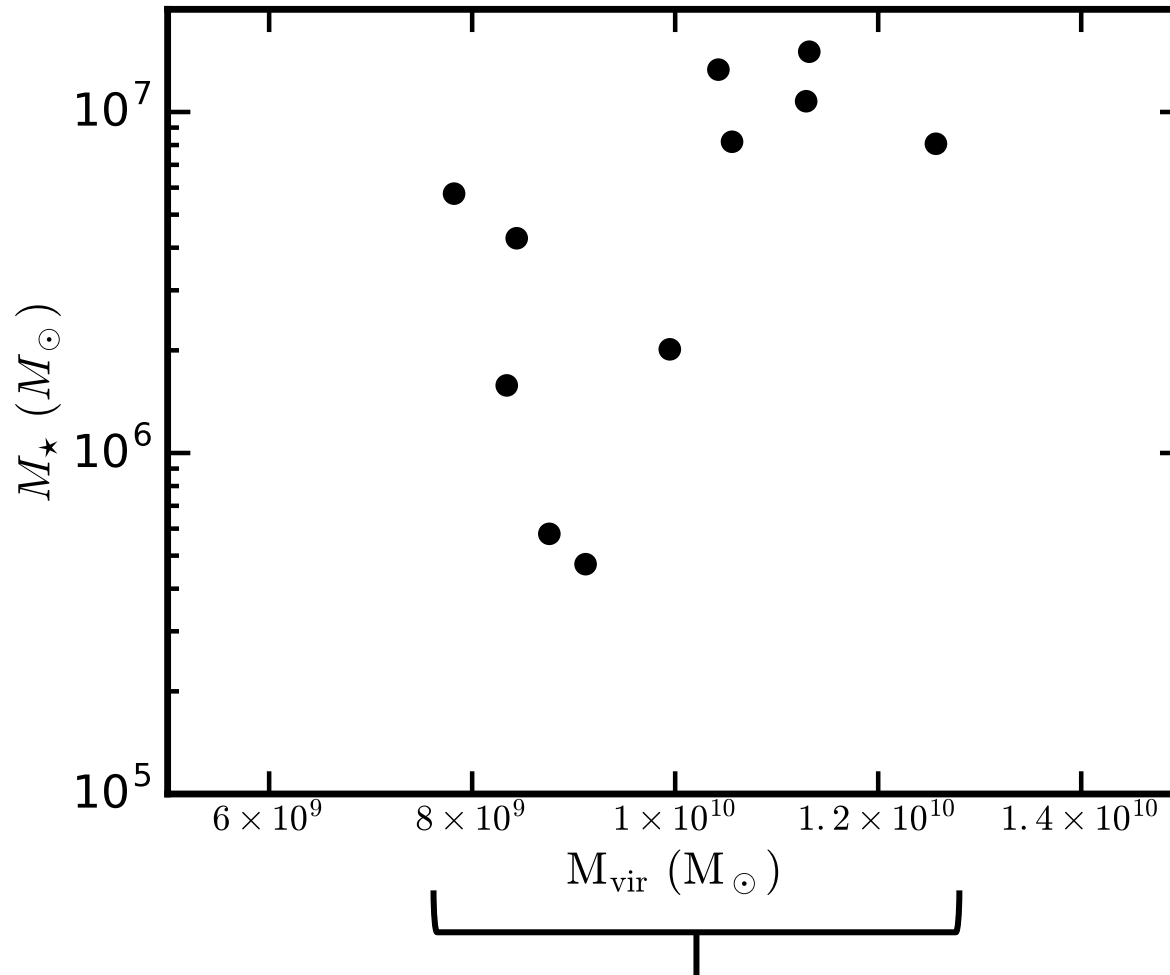
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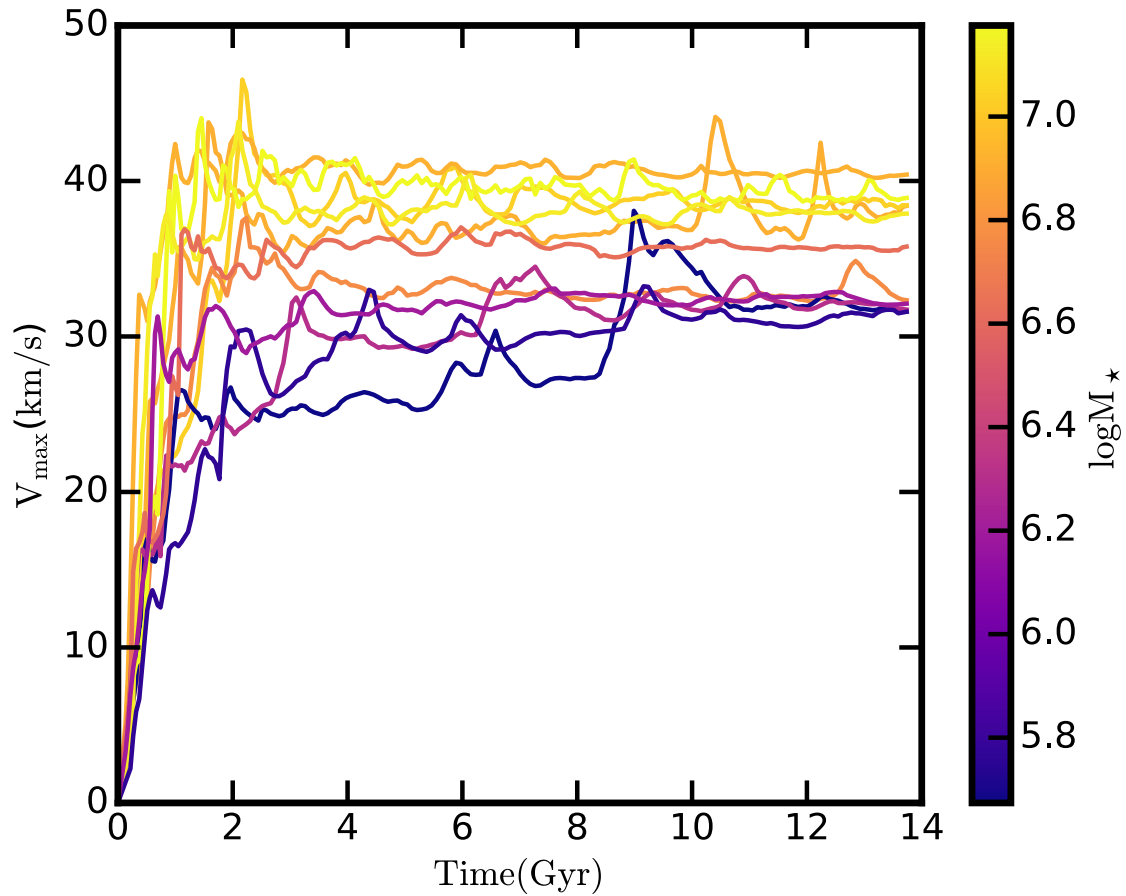
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Note narrow range of halo masses

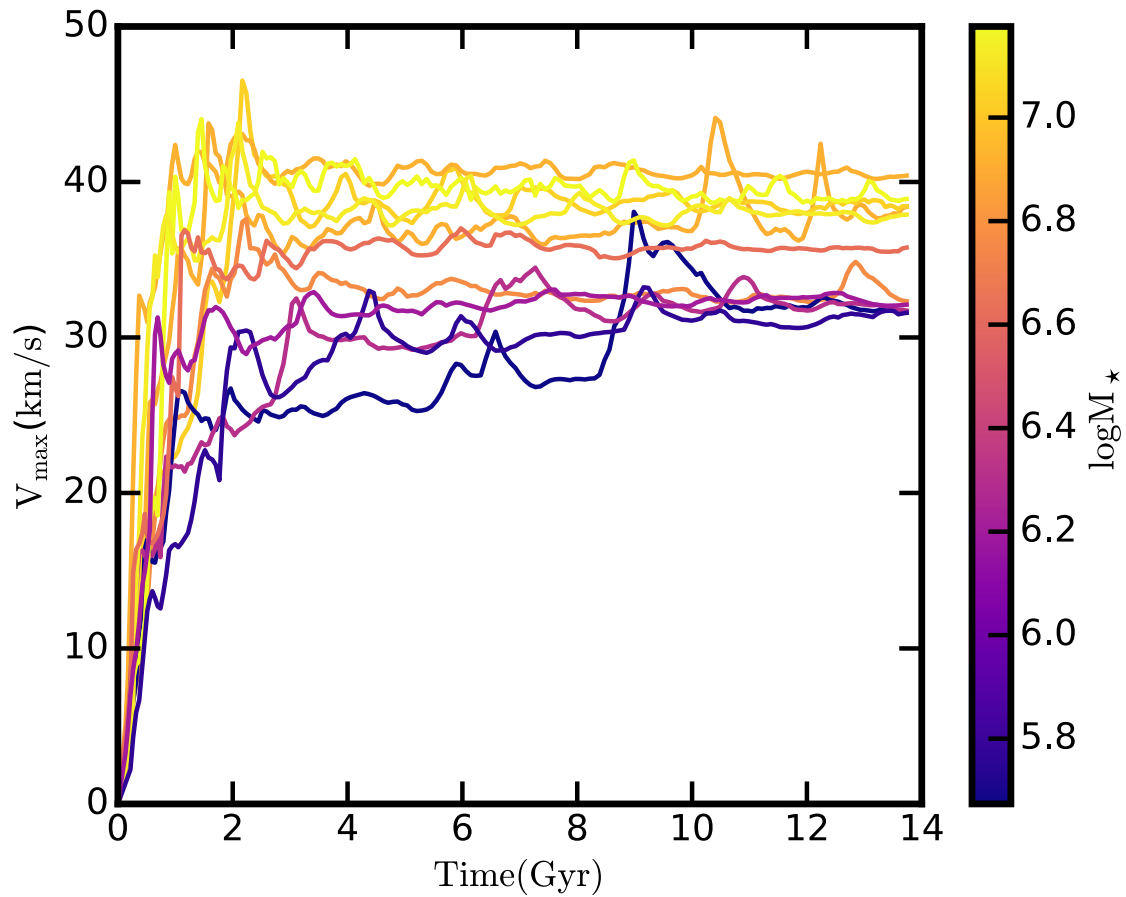


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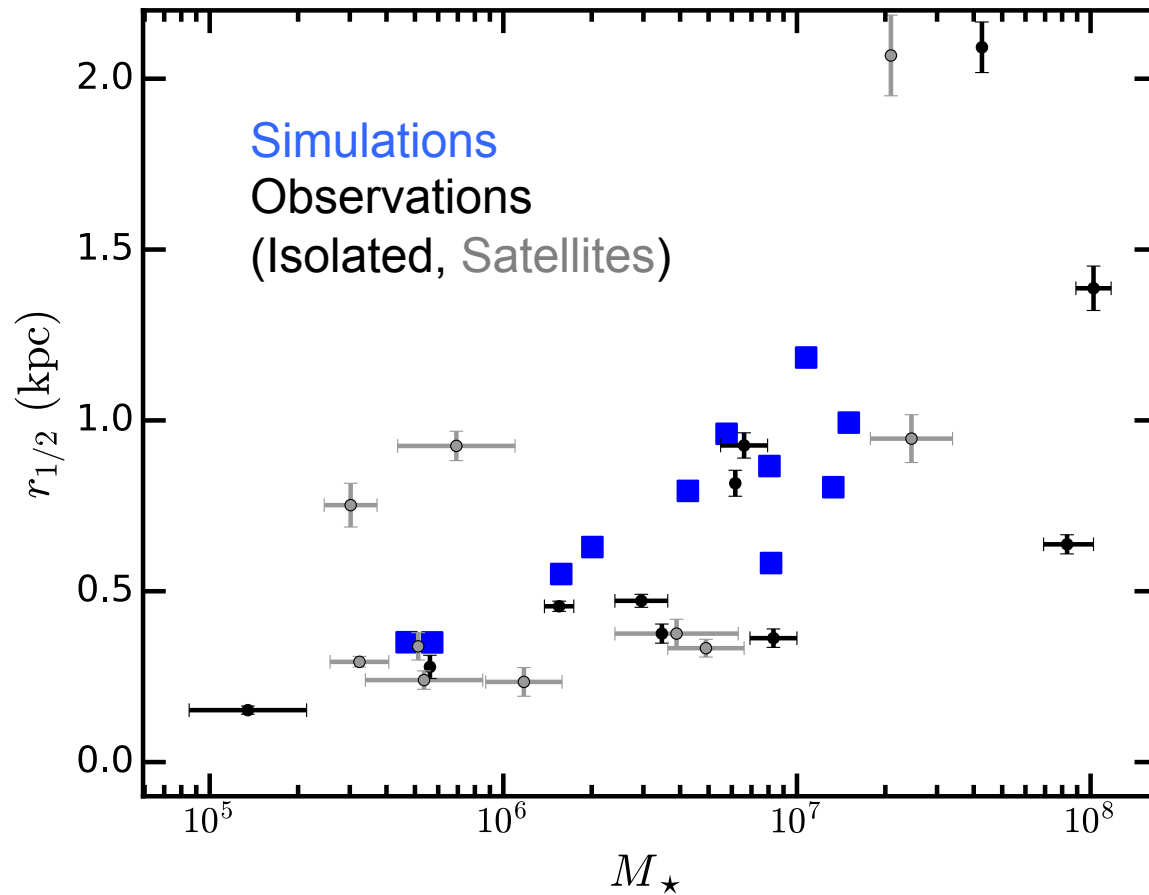


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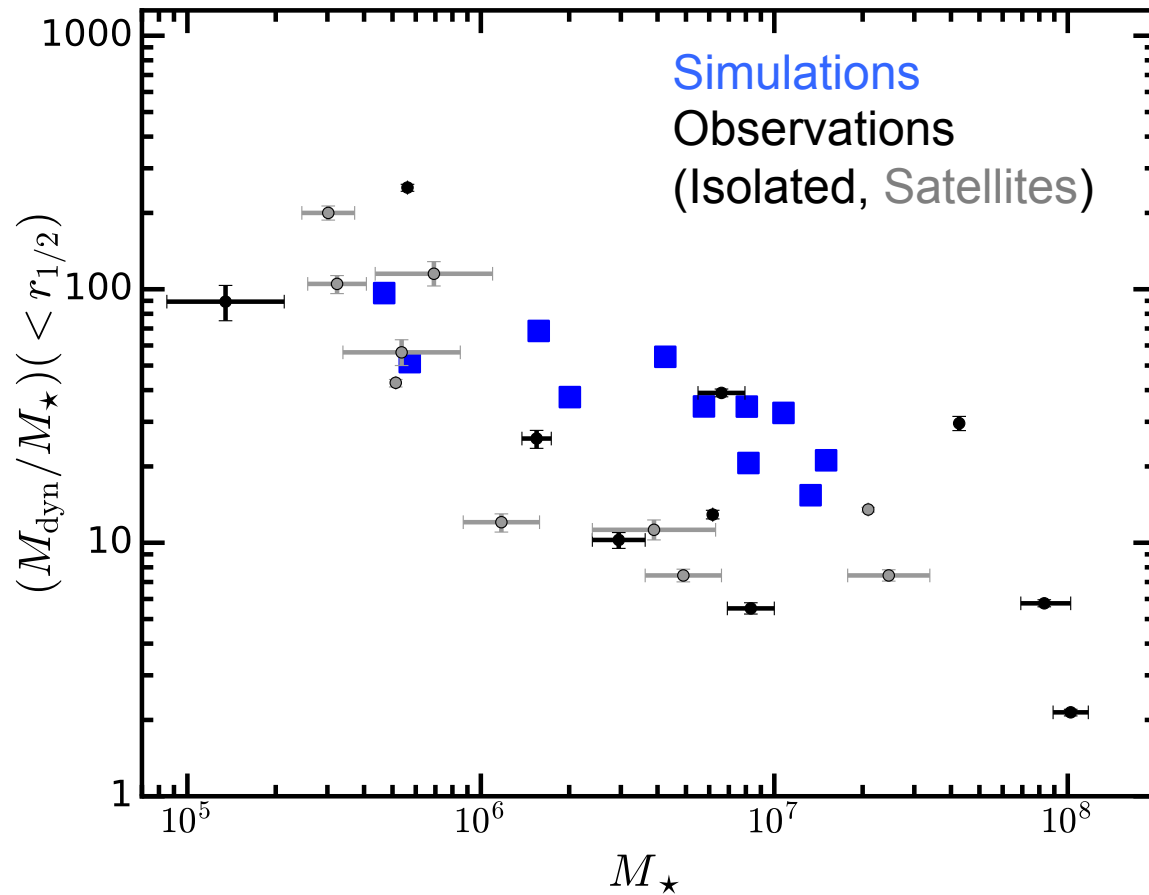


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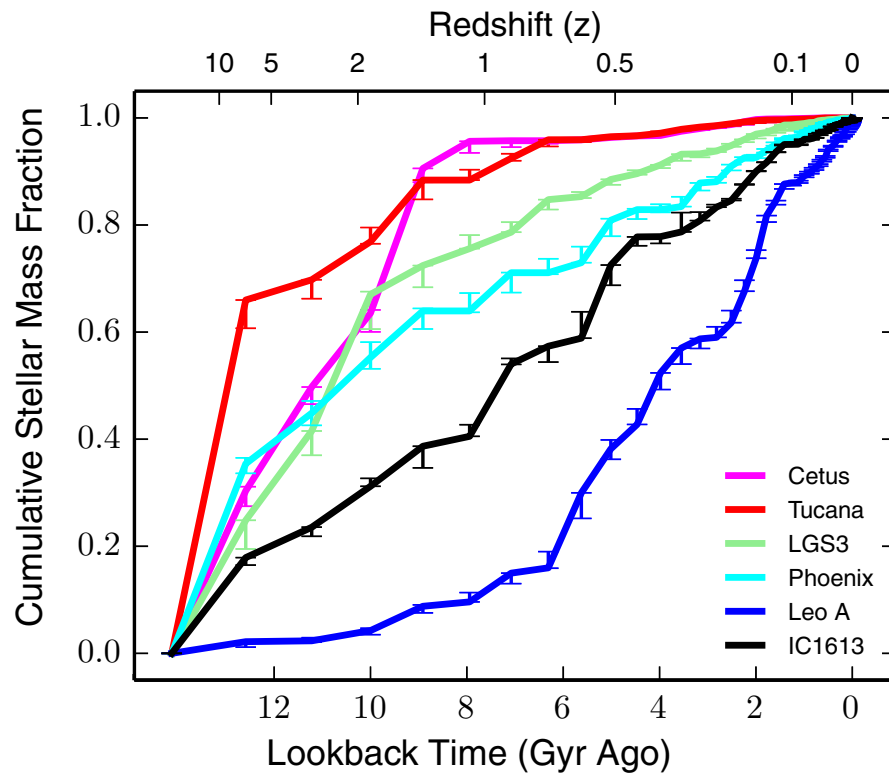




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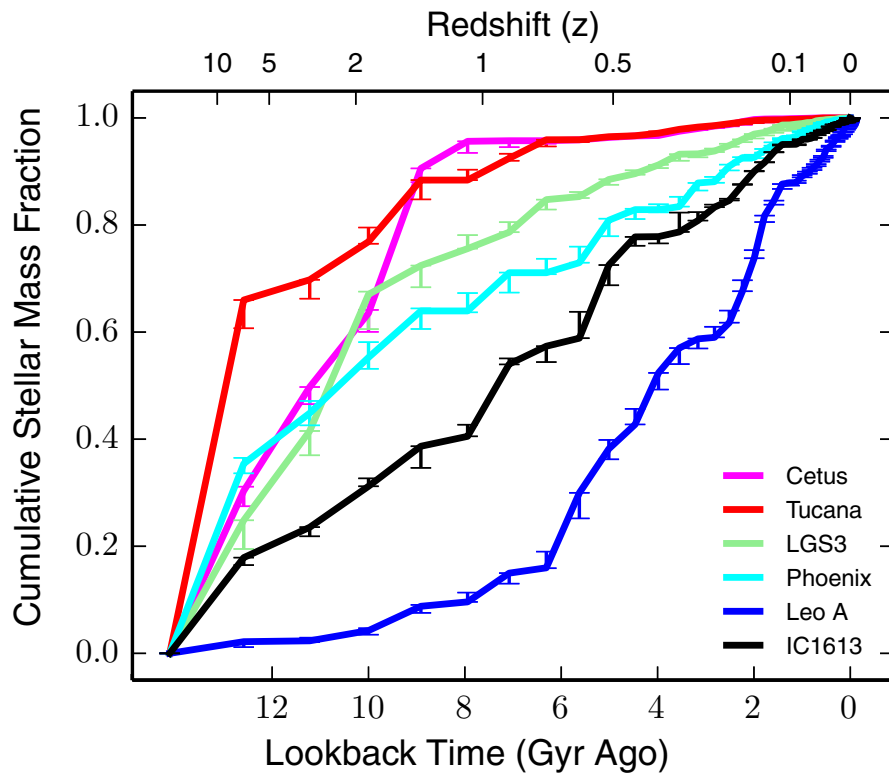
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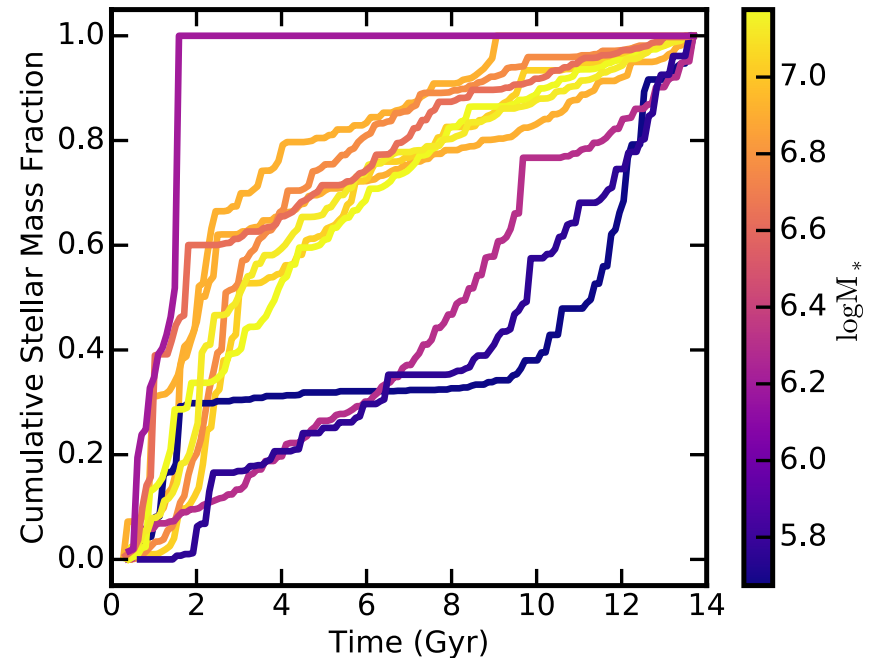
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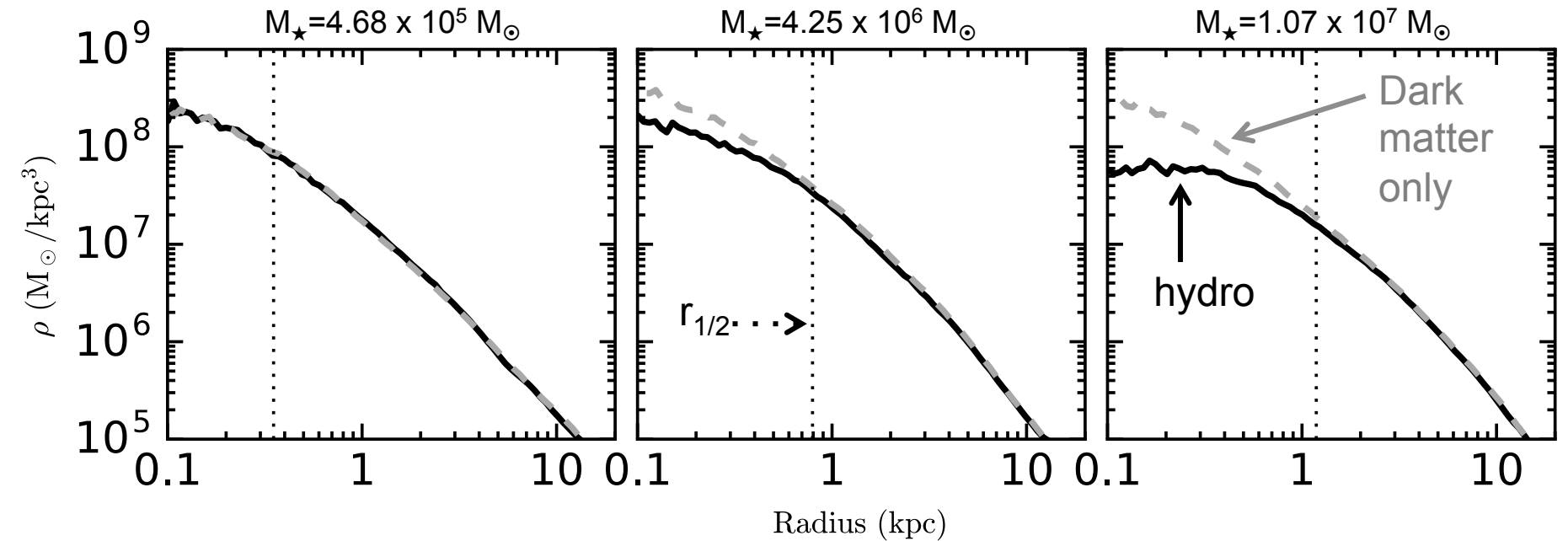
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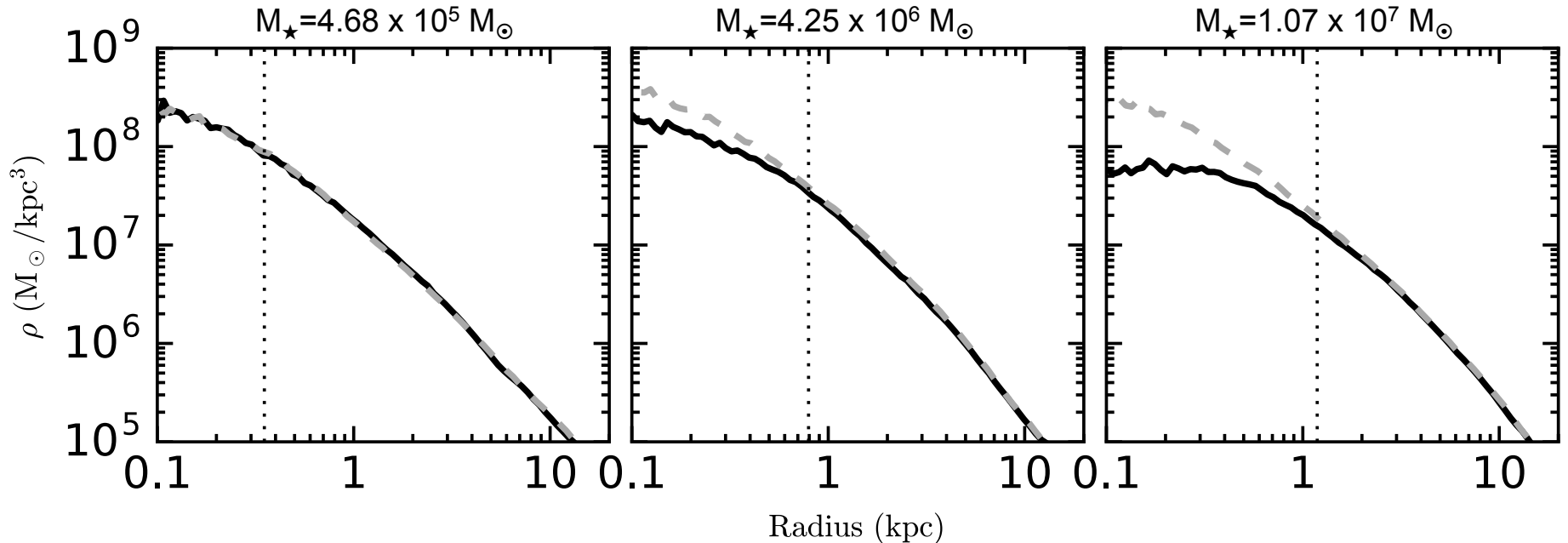


Simulated Star Formation Histories

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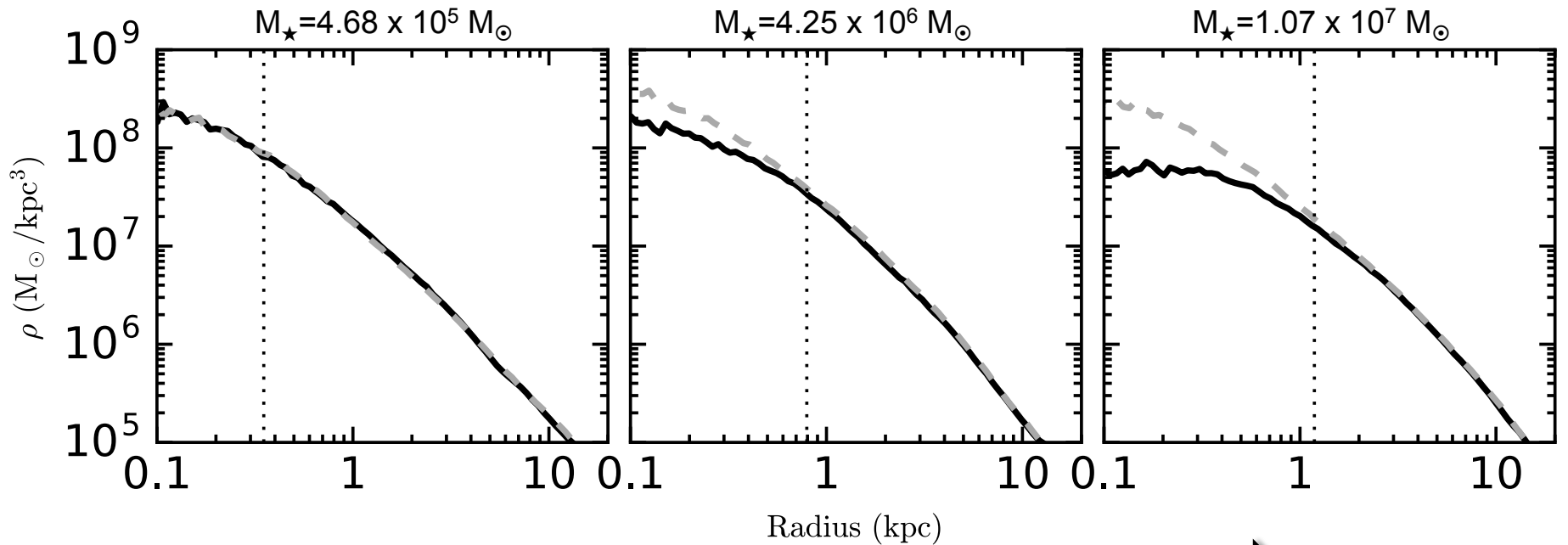


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- All galaxies have **same** halo mass of  $\sim 10^{10} M_{\odot}$
- No cores for halos with  $M_{\star} < \sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$  (Governato et al. 2012, Di Cintio et al. 2014, Dutton et al. 2016)

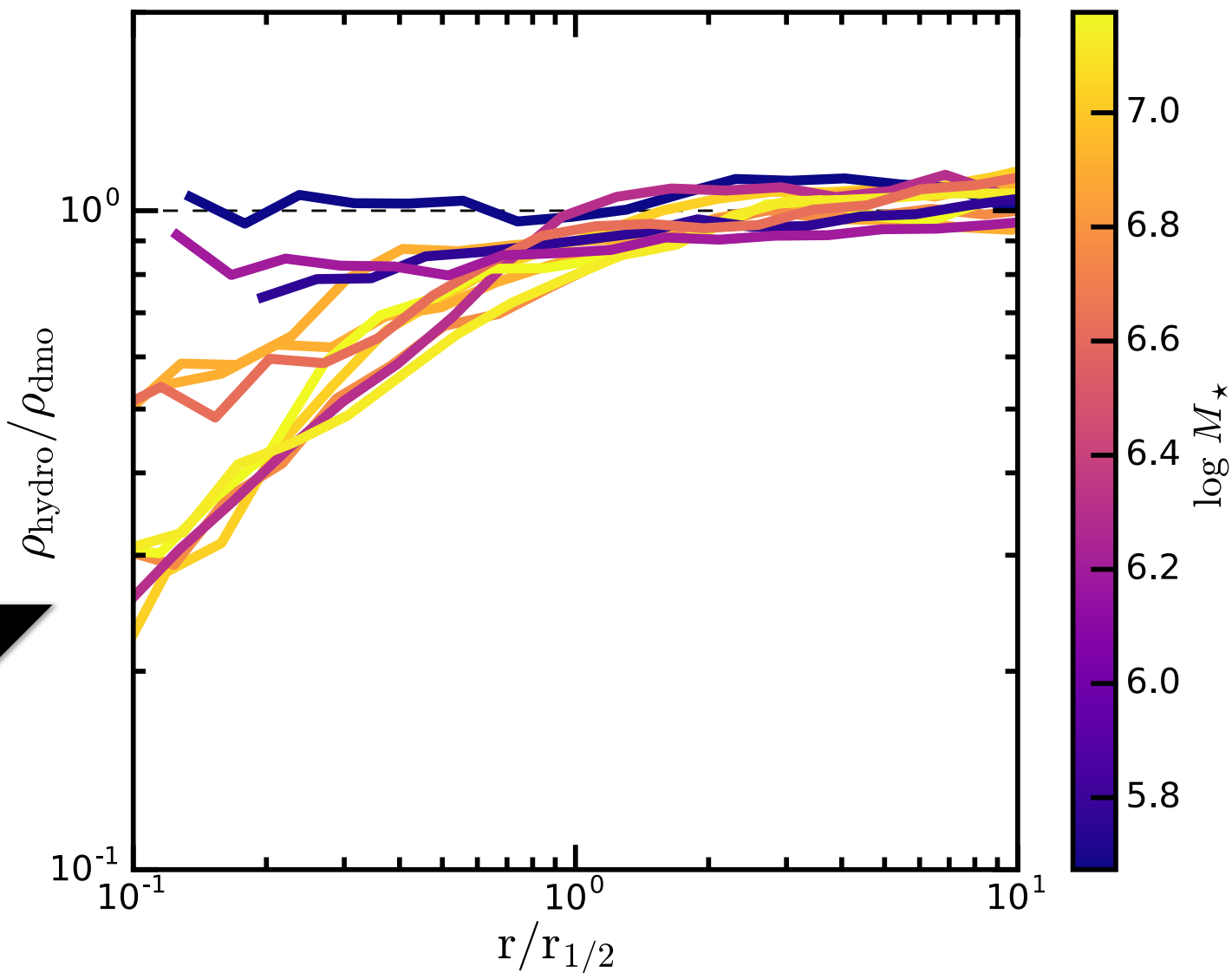
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**Increasing  $M_{\star}$   
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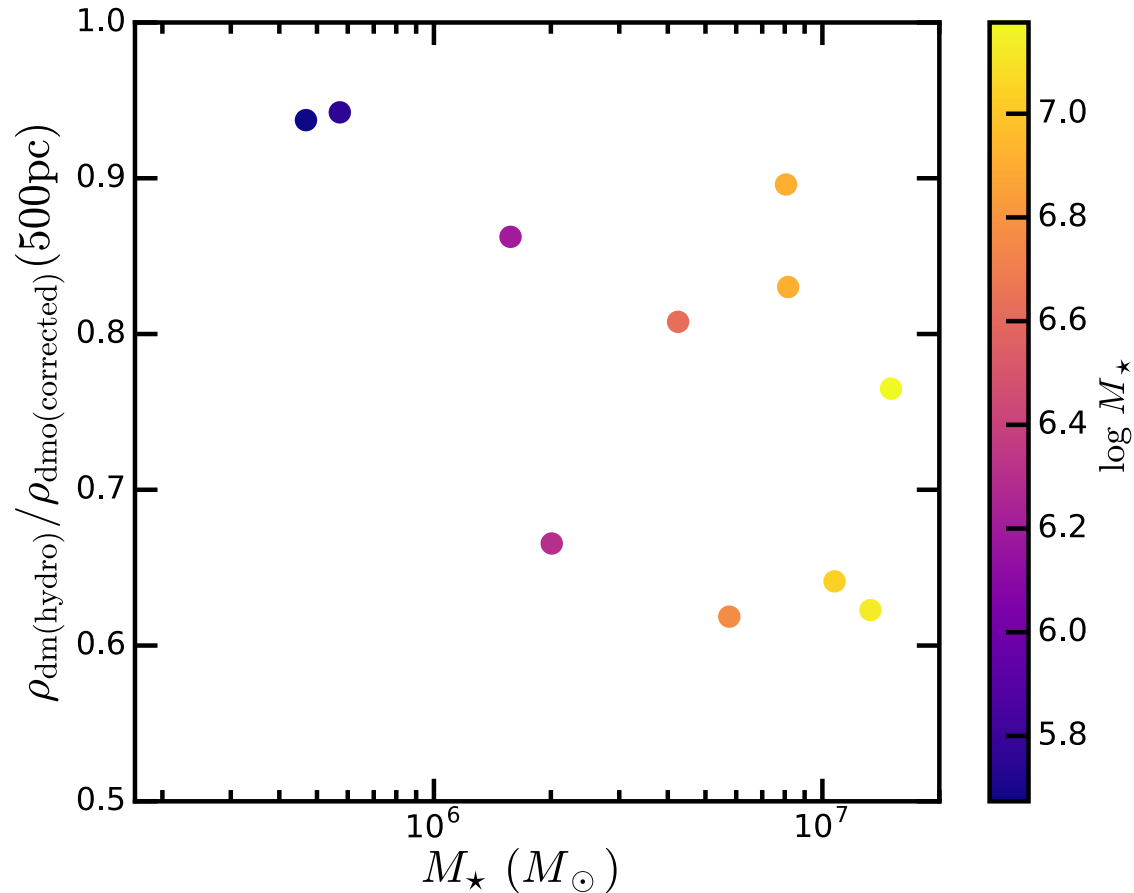
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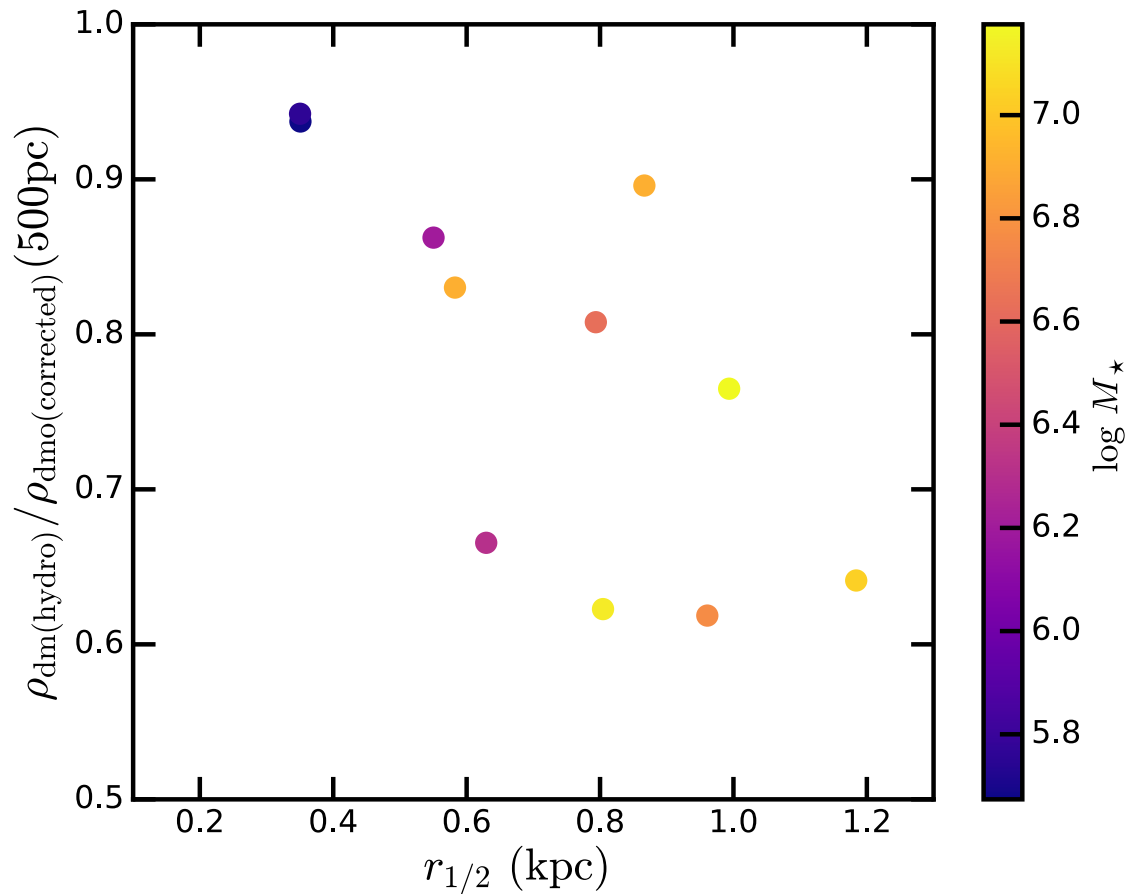




# CENTRAL DENSITY VS STELLAR MASS



# CENTRAL DENSITY VS HALF LIGHT RADIUS



# CONCLUSIONS

- **12 high-resolution gizmo + FIRE simulations of isolated dwarf galaxies, all with  $M_{\text{vir}}(z=0) \sim 10^{10} M_{\odot}$**
- **Good agreement between simulations and observed isolated dwarfs for  $M_{\star}(z=0)$ , SFH,  $R_{1/2}$ ,  $M_{\text{dyn}}/M_{\star}$**
- **Strong correlation between early dark matter mass assembly and present-day stellar mass**
  - higher concentration, higher  $V_{\text{max}}$  halos build up more stellar mass earlier
- **$M_{\star}(z=0)$  correlates well with density reduction**
  - No modification from dark-matter-only simulations below  $M_{\star} \sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$ , increasingly large density reduction and dark matter cores at higher stellar masses
- **Future work: dwarfs in WDM, SIDM (including hydrodynamics; see talk by V. Robles)**

**THANK YOU!**

**EXTRAS**