
Ray-Tracing through the Millennium Simulation

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Outline

- Introduction
- Strong lensing
- Weak lensing
- Lensing of pregalactic HI
- Summary and Outlook

Millennium Simulation

- 10^{10} particles in 500 Mpc/h box from $z=127$ to $z=0$
- $m_p = 8.6 \times 10^8 M_\odot/h$, $l_{\text{soft}} = 5 \text{ kpc}/h$
- dark-matter structures ranging from small galaxy halos to large clusters and LSS
- galaxies from semi-analytic modelling
- 64 snapshots \rightarrow 20+ TB data

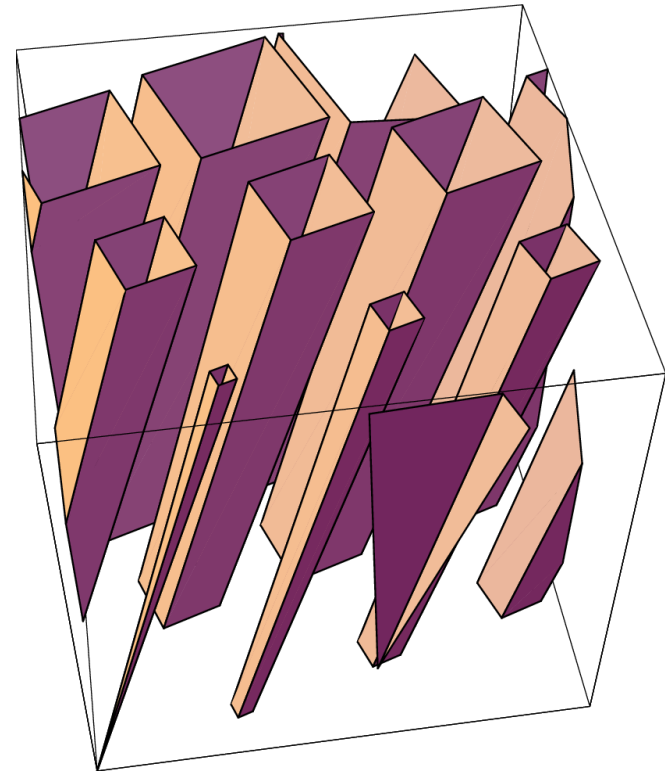
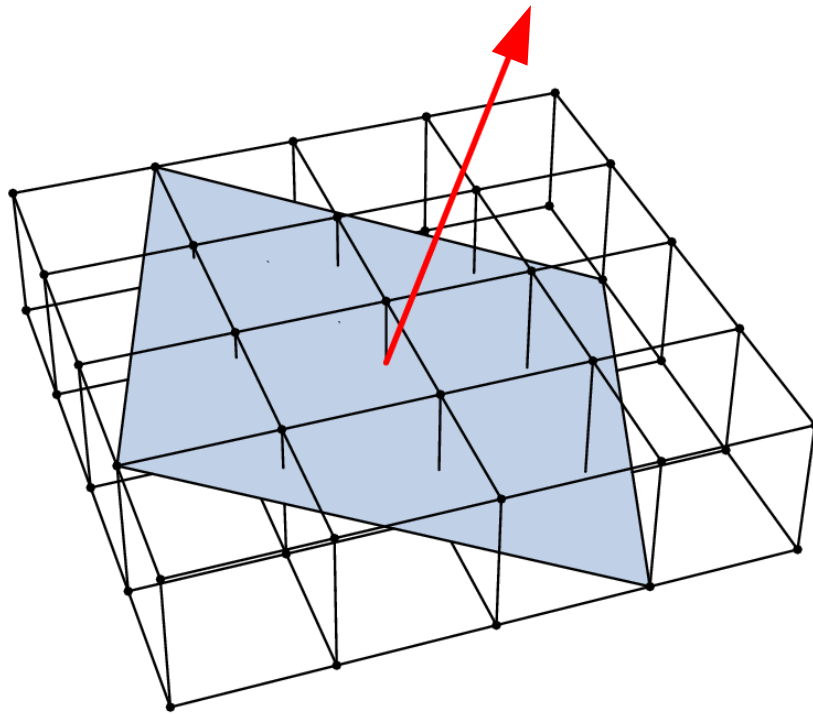
 Springel et al., Nature 435, 629 (2005)

Ray-tracing algorithm

- multiple-lens-plane approach
- one slice / plane per snapshot
- avoid slicing / duplication of halos near boundary
- l.o.s. / slices / planes tilted w.r.t. simulation box
- PM-PM method to obtain potential etc.
- adaptive smoothing (3D)

Implementation details

- tilted I.o.s., slices, planes:



→ large lens planes: $1.55 \text{ Gpc/h} \times 1.65 \text{ Gpc/h}$

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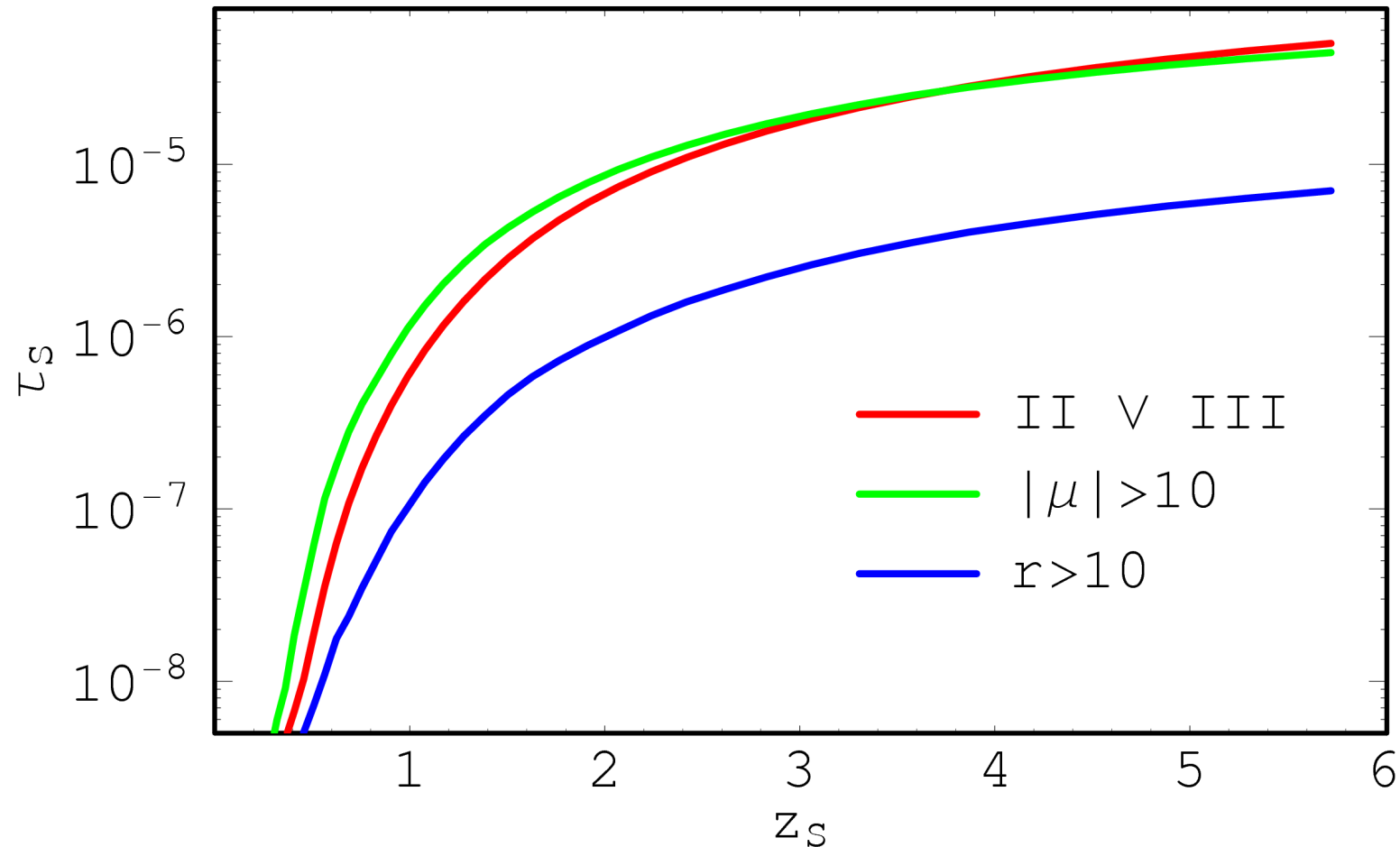
- PM-PM method to obtain lensing potential:
 - project particles onto meshes (adaptive smoothing)
 - Ψ^{long} by FFT on coarse mesh covering whole plane
 - Ψ^{short} by FFT on local fine meshes (2.5 kpc/h)
 - $\Psi = \Psi^{\text{long}} + \Psi^{\text{short}}$
 - finite difference \rightarrow ray deflections / distortions

Strong lensing

- random sample 640 000 000 l.o.s.
- consider l.o.s. with:
 - large magnification $\mu > 10$
 - large length-to-width ratio $r > 10$
 - of type II or III (multi-image systems)
- identify strong lenses and their properties
- quantify foreground / background

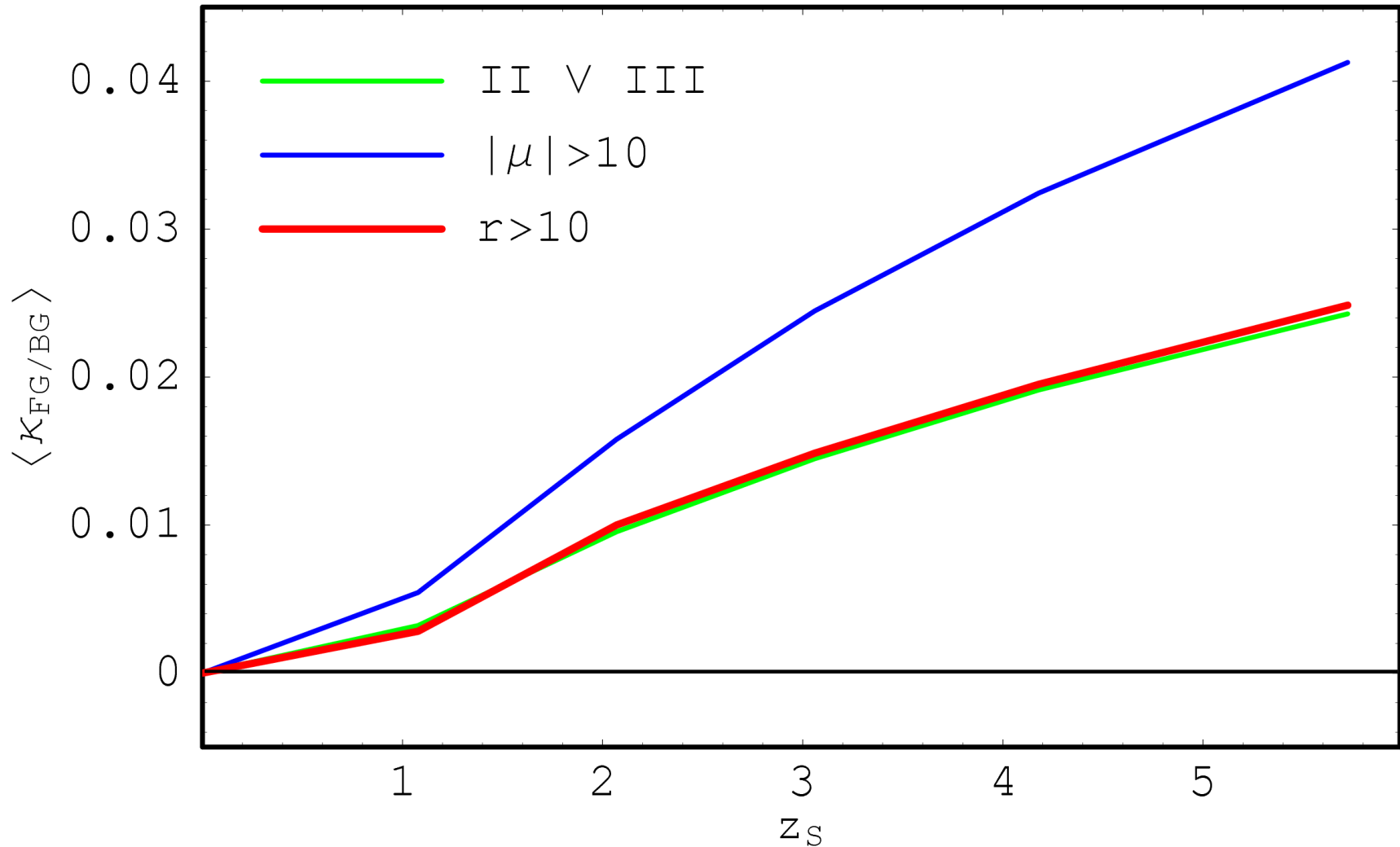
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Strong-lensing optical depths



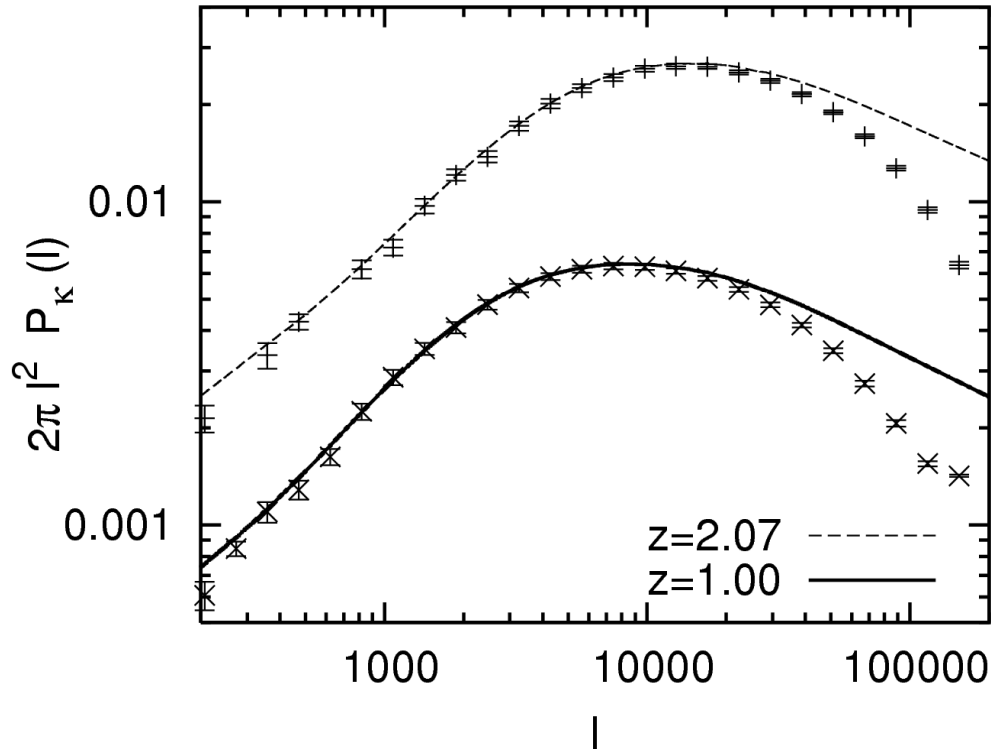
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Additional matter along the l.o.s.

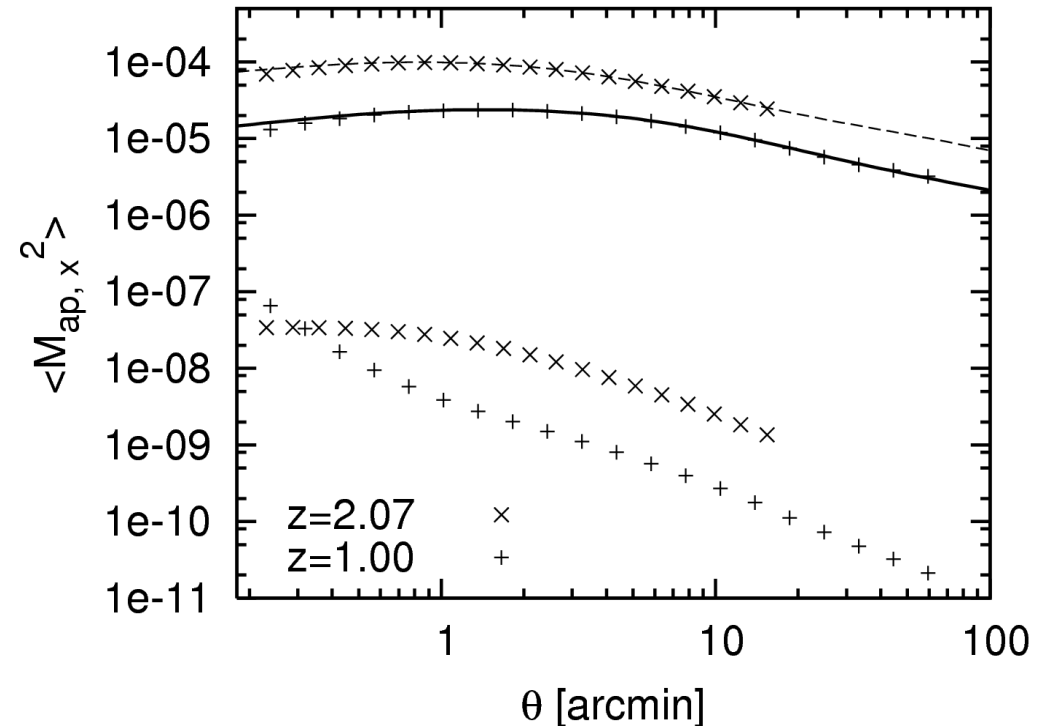


Weak lensing

power spectra



E+B aperture masses



→ Poster “Weak lensing...” by Jan Hartlap et al.

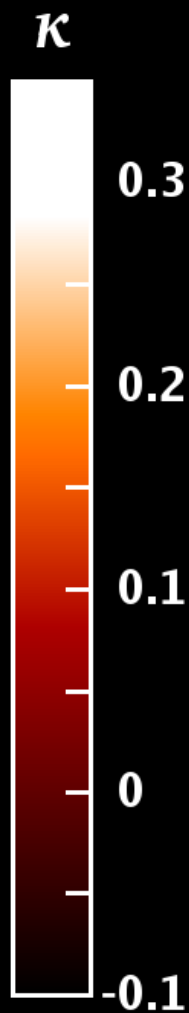
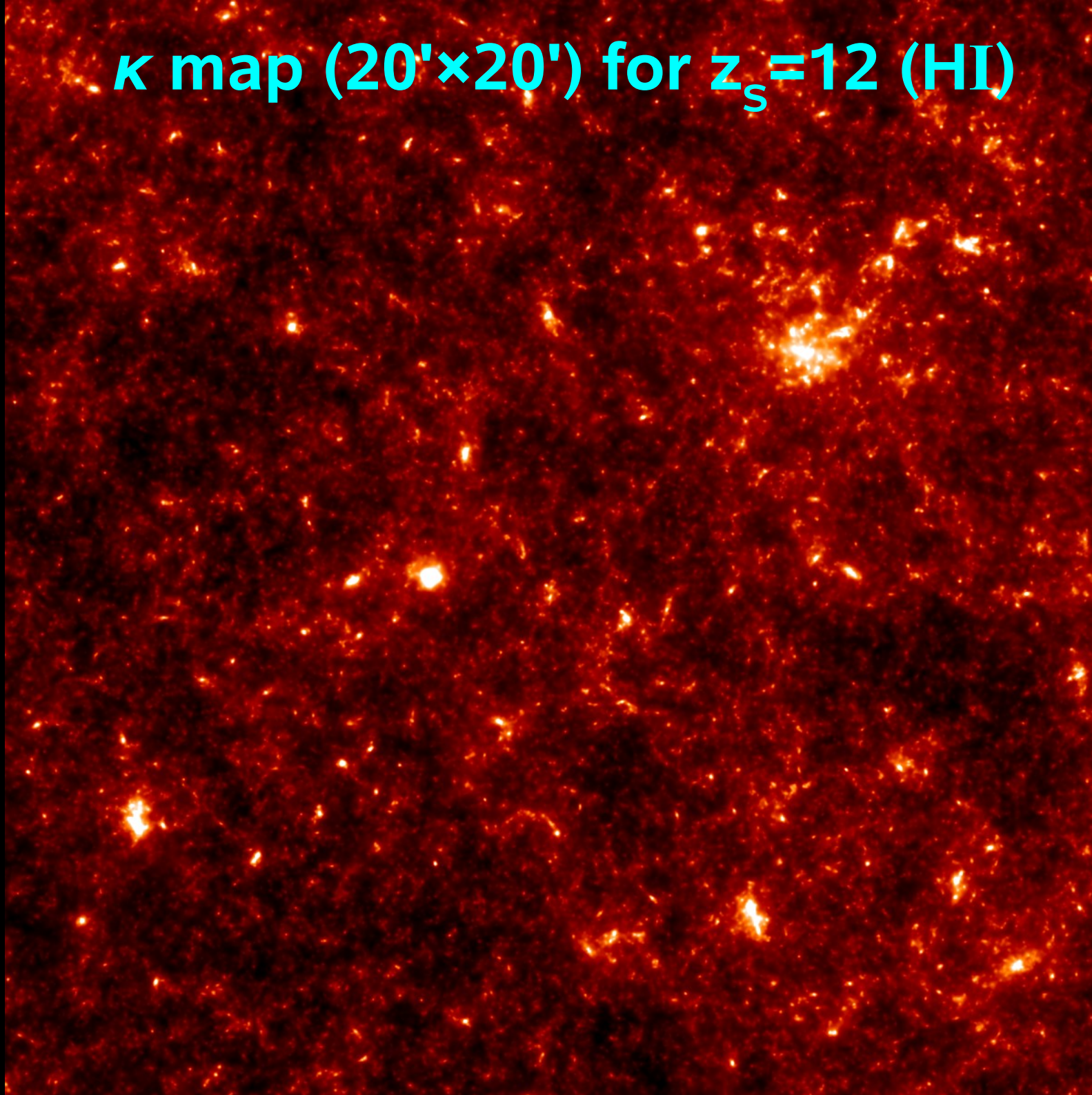
Convergence Maps

- past and present: distant galaxies used
 - limited sources/area → limited S/N and resolution
 - limited source redshift → only low-z structures
- future (?): use 21cm of pregalactic HI during epoch of reionization:
 - more sources/area and higher source redshift
- simulate convergence maps for $10^\circ \times 10^\circ$ fields

 Metcalf & White, astro-ph/0611862

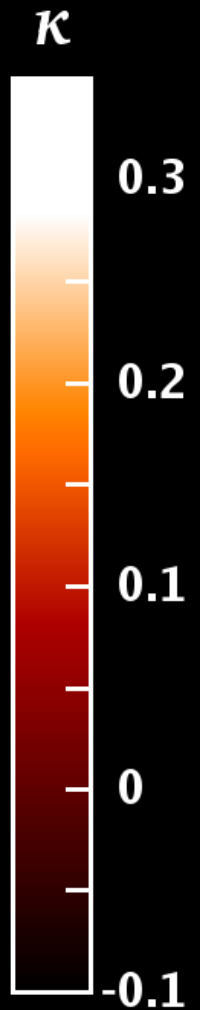
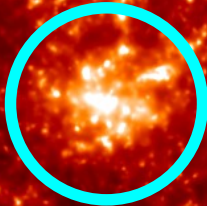
 Hilbert, Metcalf & White, arXiv:0706.0849

κ map (20'x20') for $z_s=12$ (HI)



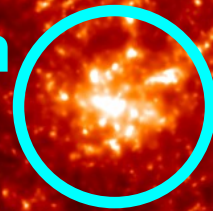
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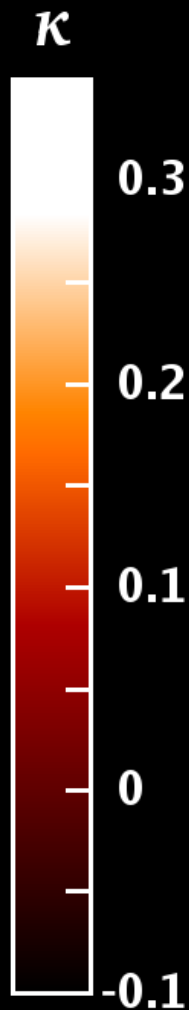


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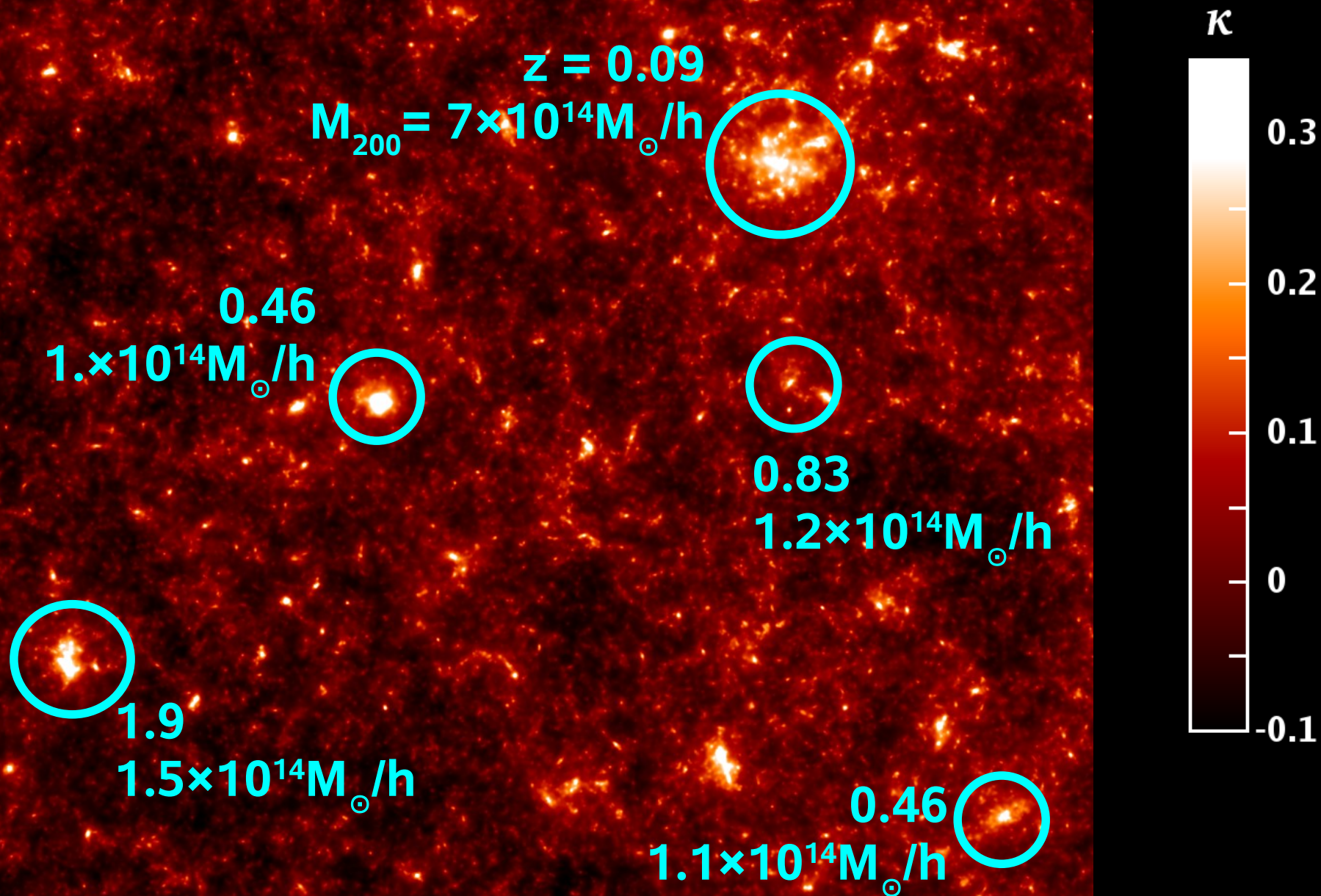
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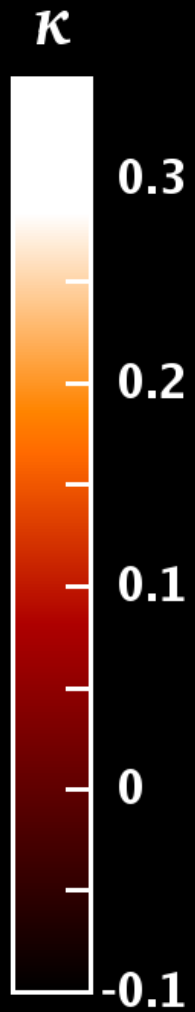
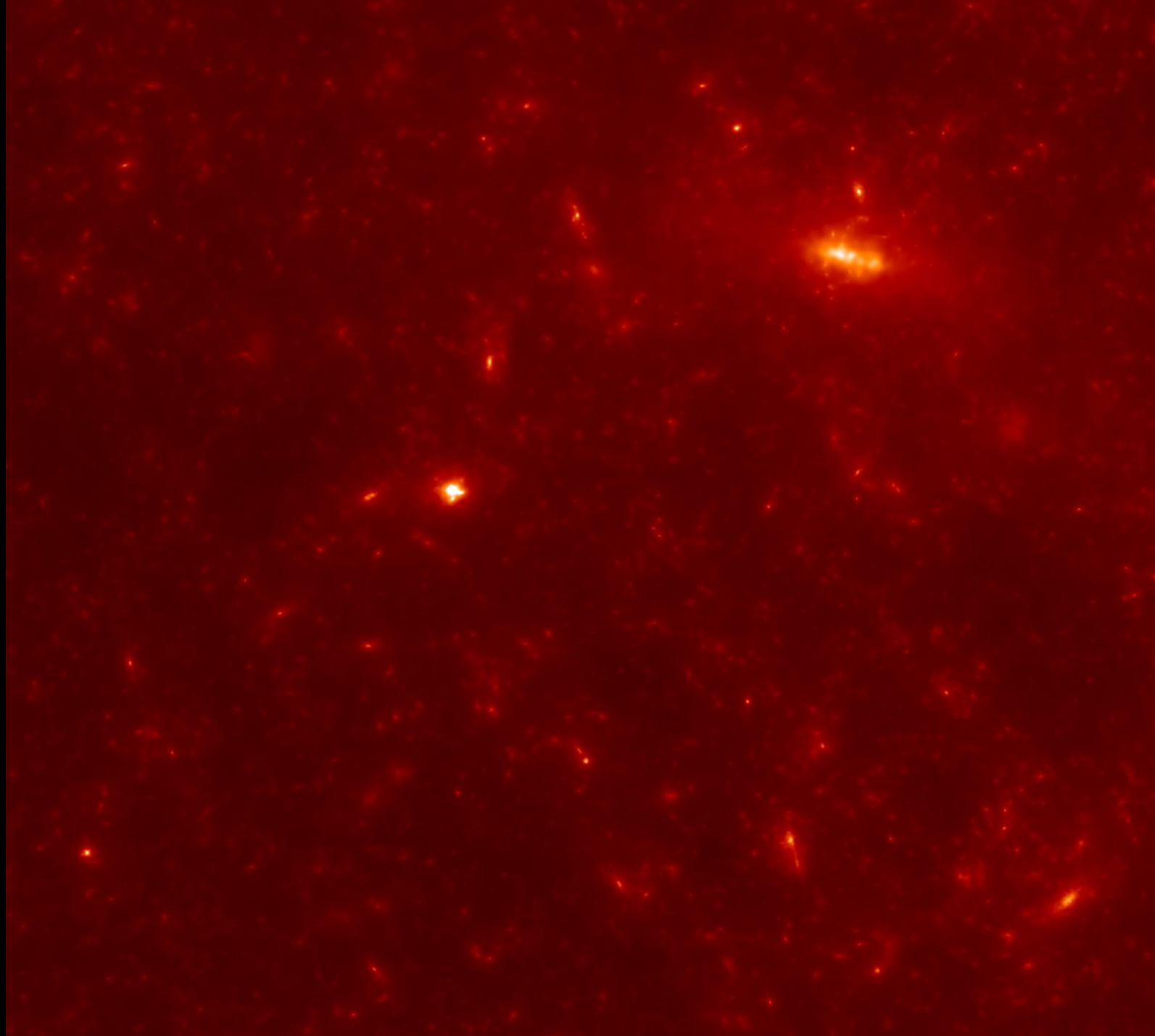
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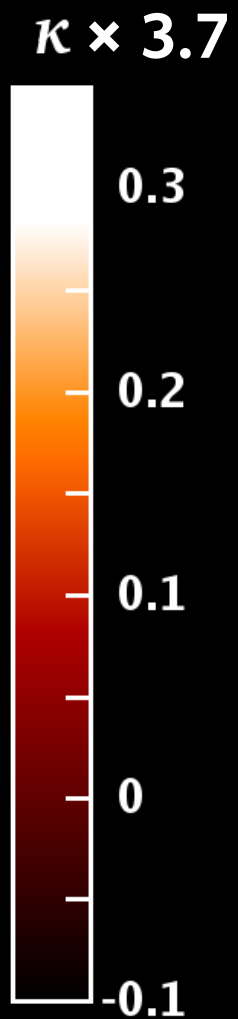
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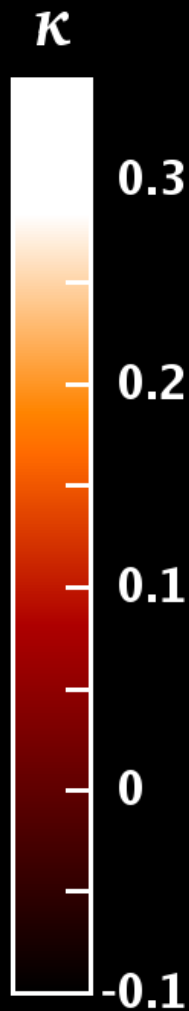
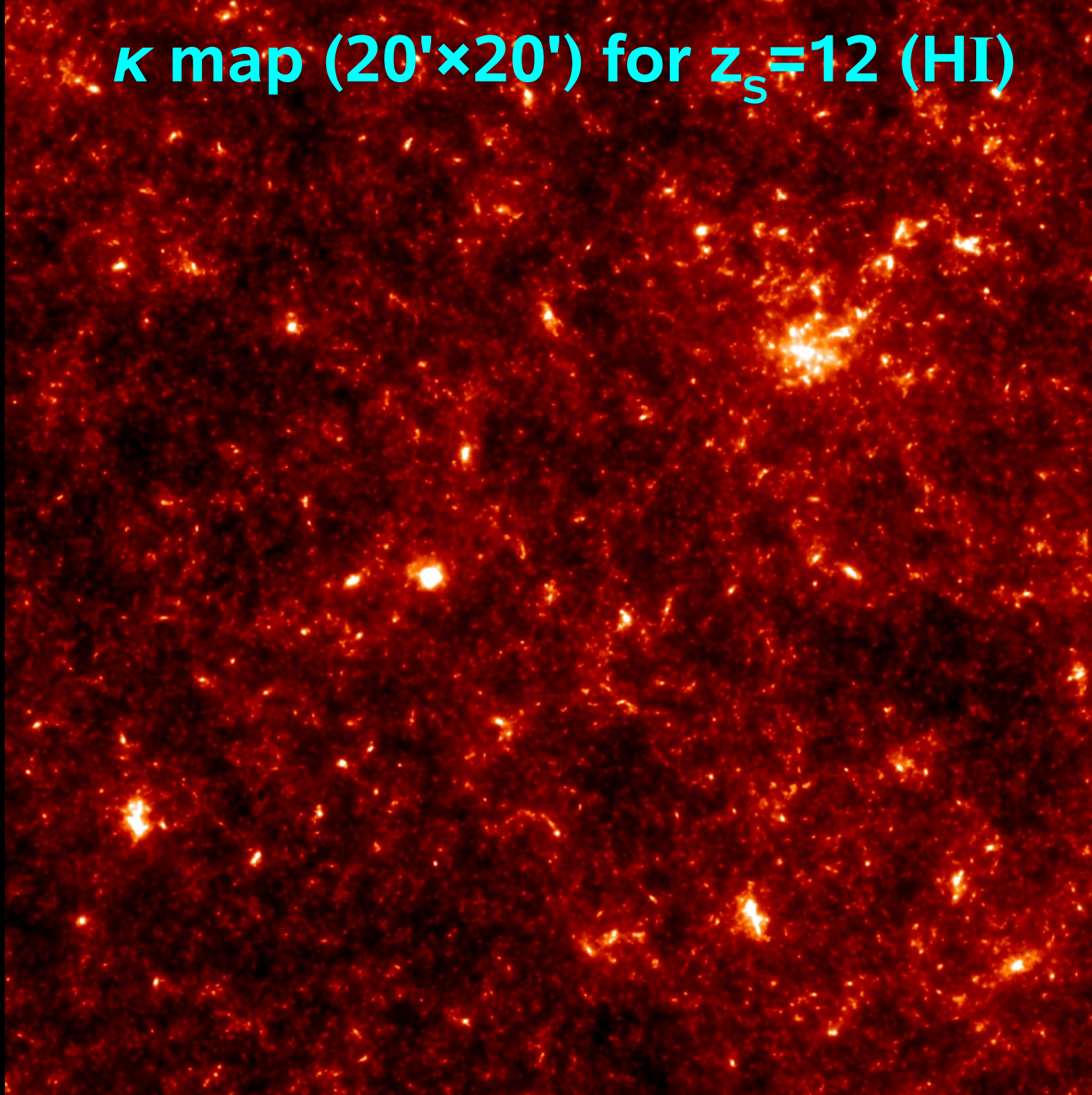
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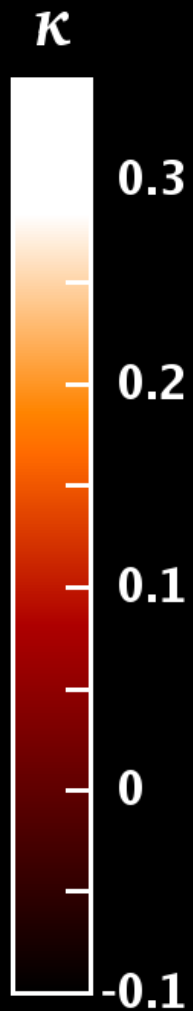
κ map for $z_{s \text{ median}} = 1.23$ (rescaled)



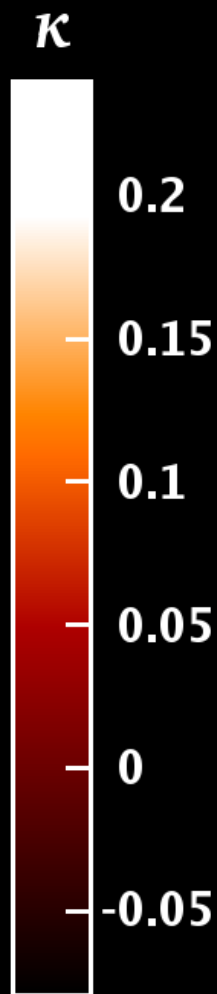
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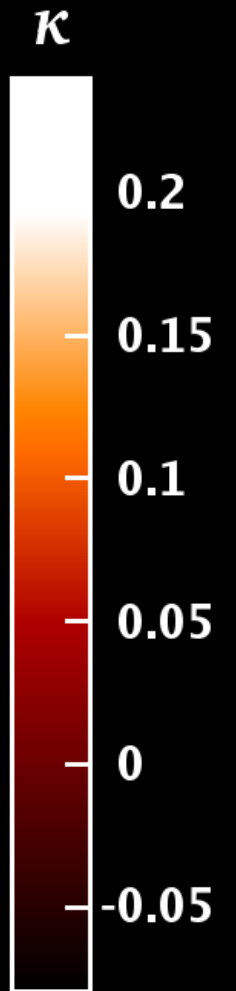
~100-km radio telescope (HI)



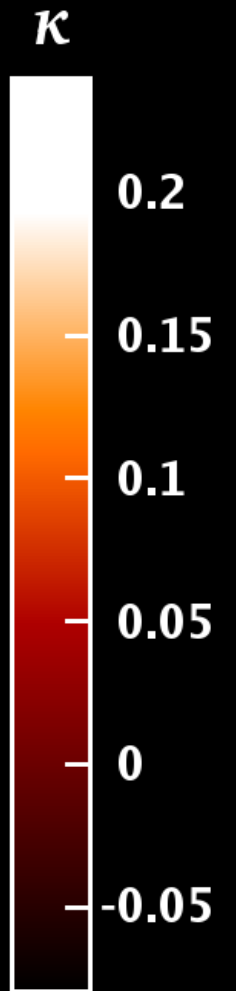
SKA-like radio telescope (HI)



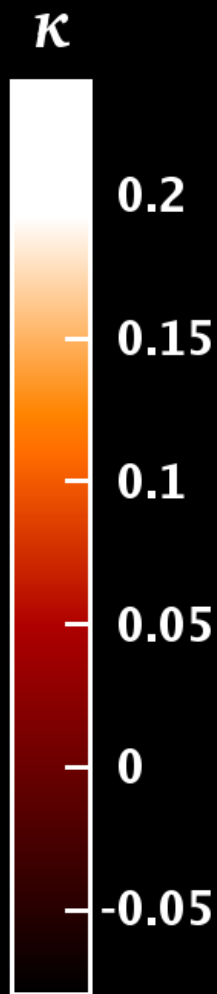
SKA-like radio telescope (HI) (without noise)



space-based telescope (galaxies)



space-based telescope (galaxies) (without noise)



Summary

- M.S.: high resolution + large volume
- ray-tracing code adapted to M.S.
- first results:
 - strong lensing: optical depths, lens properties and FG/BG matter contribution
 - weak lensing power spectra and aperture masses
 - convergence maps using lensing of pregalactic HI

Outlook

- inclusion of galaxies from semi-analytic models
- cosmic shear: B modes, selection effects, ...
- galaxy-galaxy lensing: galaxy bias, comparison to halo models, ...
- 3-point statistics (GGGL)
- flexion
- ...

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