

# Clustering as a constraint for galaxy formation



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# CLUSTERING AS A CONSTRAINT

- Clustering observations offer complementary constraints to traditional data (e.g. stellar mass function, colours), because they encode spatial information
- But: two-point function, so much harder to sample for – taking a sizeable volume (or several) might work, but that takes too long for use in MCMC
- Solution: use sampled haloes as input to a **halo model** and predict the clustering that way

# HALO MODEL

- Ingredients needed by the halo model:
  - Linear matter power spectrum
  - Halo mass function
  - Halo bias
  - Halo occupation distribution for galaxies (HOD)
  - Halo profile
- Possible extensions/corrections: nonlinear bias, assembly bias, halo triaxiality, halo exclusion, satellites decoupled from halo profile...

# HALO MODEL

- Many different models already exist for each ingredient
- However, our goal is unusual: we want to model the galaxy clustering of the **simulation**, not of the real Universe!
- This means we can measure the dark matter properties directly from Millennium: **realized** initial power spectrum, halo mass function
- We also know how to scale these with cosmology (Angulo & White 2010)

# HALO MODEL

- Left to sample: HOD, satellite profile
- Clustering of galaxies is **very** sensitive to the HOD and small changes in the profile, especially on small scales, where most of the constraining power is
- Important therefore to treat centrals and satellites separately, and to use a custom satellite profile (i.e. not NFW or Einasto, and not cut off at virial radius)
- Lots of galaxy information available for sampled haloes to fit to!

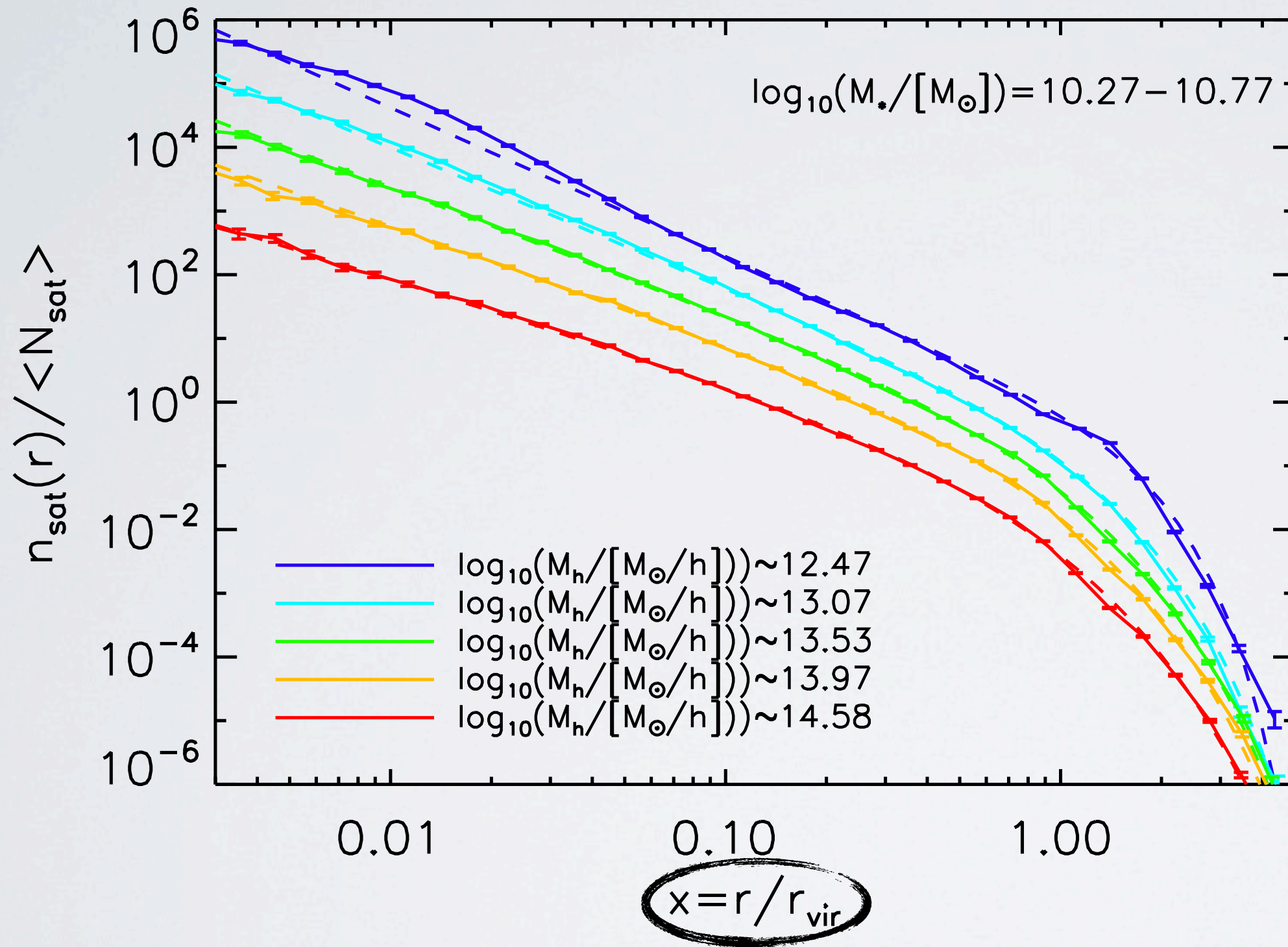
# HALO MODEL

$$P_{\text{gal}}^{1\text{h}}(k) = 2 \int n(M) \frac{\langle N_{\text{cen}} N_{\text{sat}} | M \rangle}{\bar{n}_{\text{gal}}^2} [u_{\text{gal}}(k|M) - W_R(k)] dM +$$
$$\int n(M) \frac{\langle N_{\text{sat}} (N_{\text{sat}} - 1) | M \rangle}{\bar{n}_{\text{gal}}^2} [u_{\text{gal}}(k|M)^2 - W_R(k)^2] dM$$

$$P_{\text{gal}}^{2\text{h}}(k) = P_{\text{lin}}(k) \left[ \int n(M) b(M) \frac{\langle N_{\text{cen}} | M \rangle}{\bar{n}_{\text{gal}}} dM + \right. \\ \left. \int n(M) b(M) \frac{\langle N_{\text{sat}} | M \rangle}{\bar{n}_{\text{gal}}} u_{\text{gal}}(k|M) dM \right]^2$$

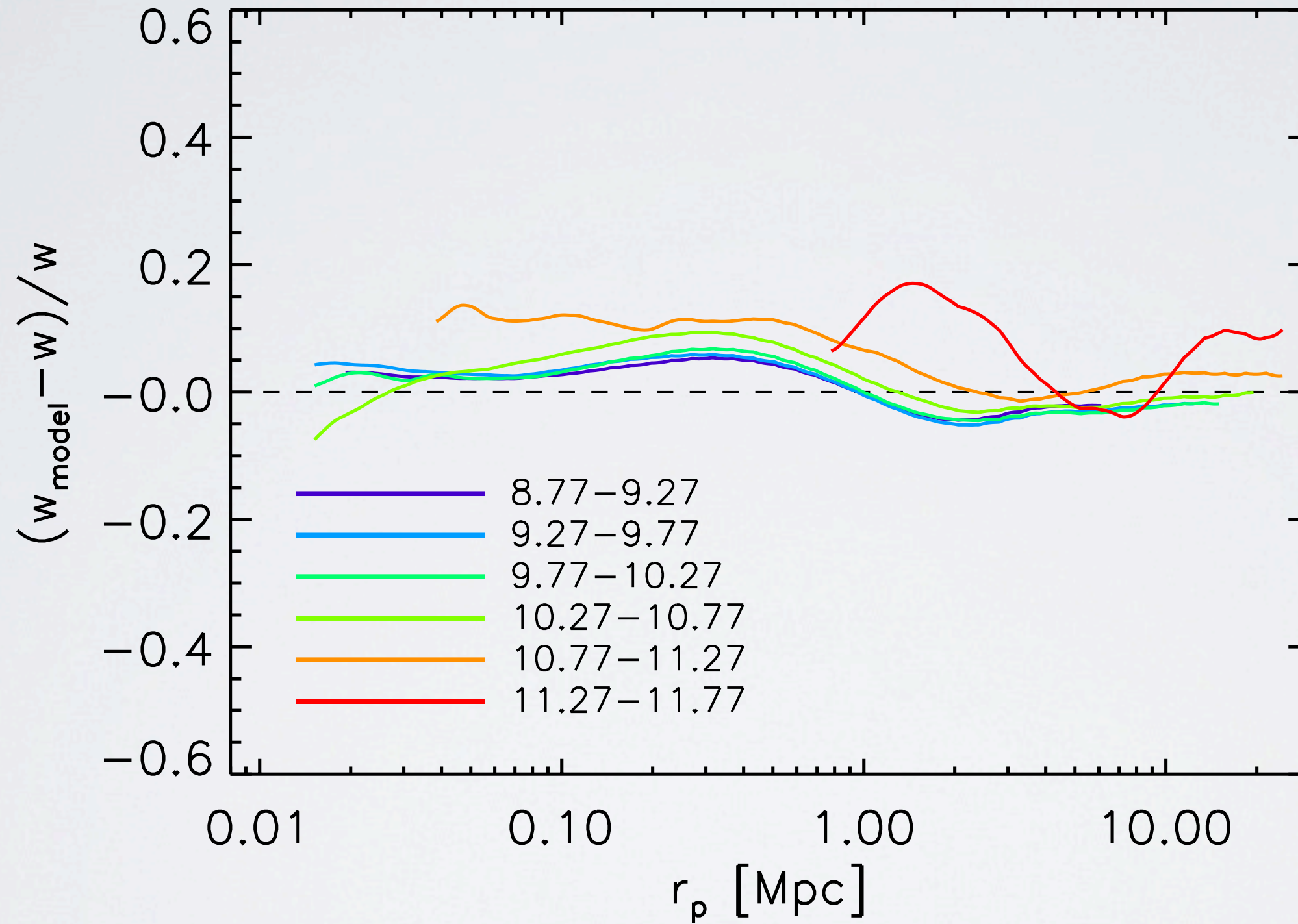
+ corrections!

# SATELLITE PROFILE



$$\frac{n_{\text{sat}}(r)}{\langle N_{\text{sat}} \rangle} \propto \left( \frac{x}{b} \right)^{a-3} \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{x}{b} \right)^c \right\}$$

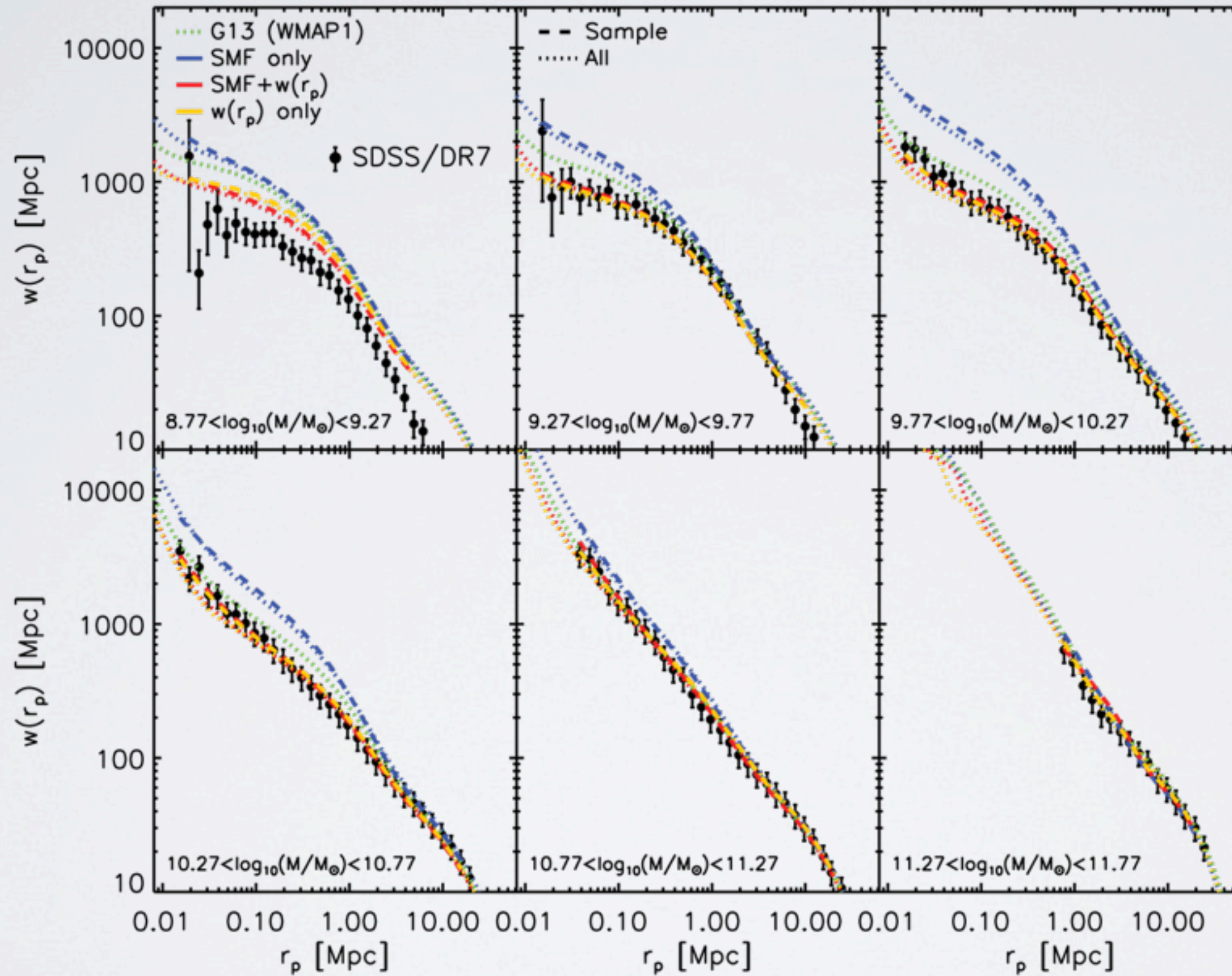
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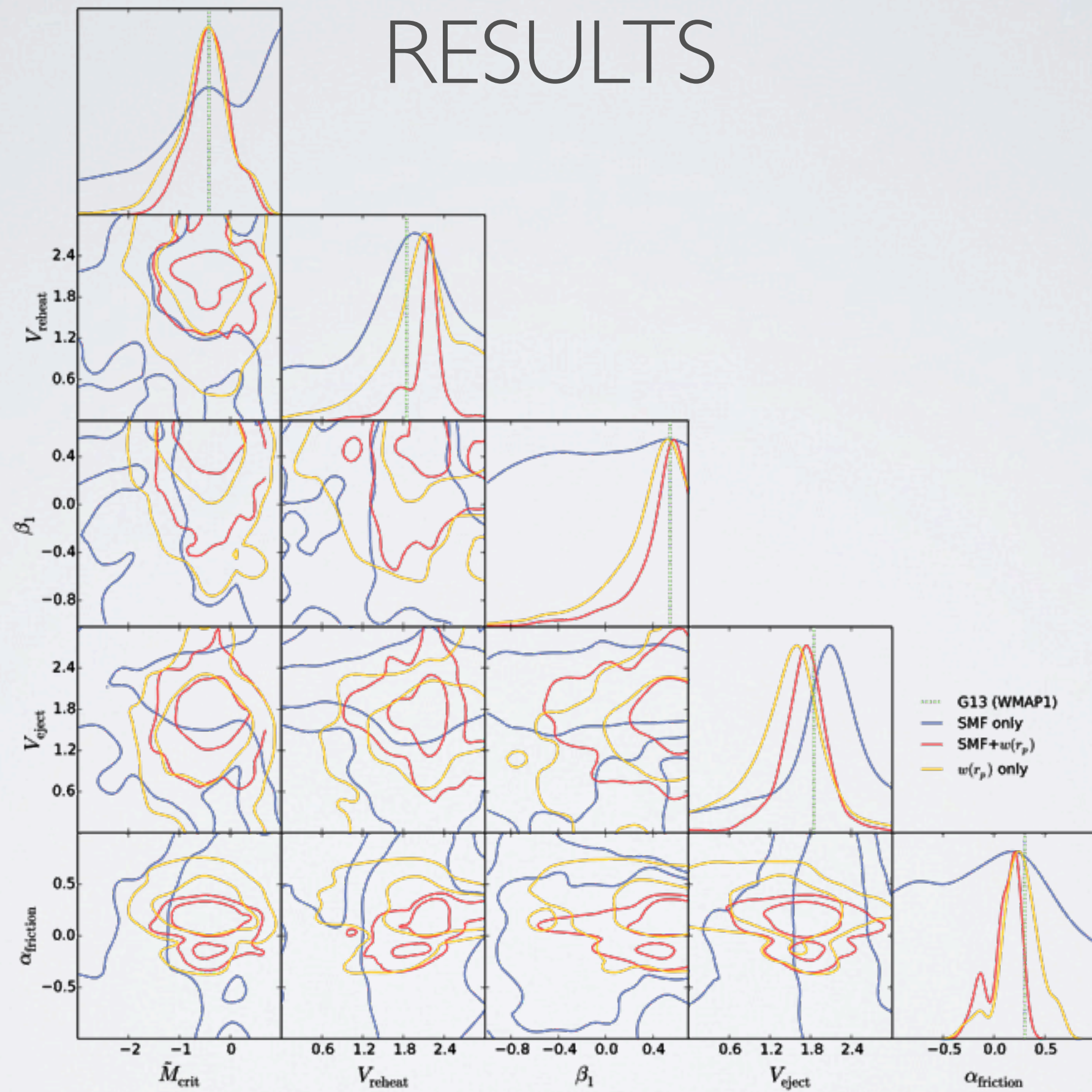


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# HOW THE ESTIMATOR WORKS

mcmc.c, main function

```
#ifdef MCMC
void Senna()
{
    int ii, jj, snap, IndividualAcceptRate = 0, TotAcceptRate = 0;
    FILE *fmcmc;
    char buf[1000];
    char DirNum;
    time_t local_initial, final;
    double lhood2, qratio, AcceptanceProbability, ran;
    int AcceptanceLogic;

    if(ThisTask==0)
    {
        printf("\n\n\n");
        printf("*****\n");
        printf("*                               *\n");
        printf("*               Starting Senna   *\n");
        printf("*                               *\n");
        printf("*               MCMC parameter estimation *\n");
        printf("* Applied to a Semi-Analytic Model of Galaxy Formation *\n");
        printf("*                               *\n");
        printf("*****\n\n");
    }

    MCMCseed = -((ThisTask+FirstChainNumber) * 100 + 25);

#ifdef HALOMODEL //to compute correlation function for MCMC
    initialize_halomodel();
    printf("halo model initialized\n");
#endif
}
#endif
```

initialize\_halomodel()



# HOW THE ESTIMATOR WORKS

- `initialize_halomodel` reads in the linear power spectrum, FoF mass function, and power spectrum corrections, scales these with cosmology, and spline-interpolates them
- In `mcmc_likelihood.c`, at each step in the chain, `correct_for_correlation` is called (line 113 → 781)
- This ensures the centrals are indexed, and each FoF group knows how many satellites follow
- Finally, `compute_correlation_func` is called for each stellar mass bin, which in turns calls `halomodel` (the main estimator function) and outputs the result (lines 216-227 → line 847) – which is then given a  $\chi^2$  value by comparing to observations

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`mcmc_halomodel.c`

# RUNNING THE ESTIMATOR

- Setup:
  - Download “Representative sample of trees for clustering+MCMC mode” (4.44GB), **put files in folders indicated in readme.txt files**
  - In `Makefile`, make sure `include My_Makefile_options_MCMC` is active
  - In `My_Makefile_options_MCMC`, check that:
    - `OPT += -DNOUT=1`
    - `OPT += -DGU013`
    - `OPT += -DMCMC`
    - `OPT += -DHALOMODEL`
  - Below the latter, add: `OPT += -DPROJLIMITS`
  - Run `Make`
  - Change `FileWithOutputRedshifts` in the input file (below) to `input/MCMC_inputs/desired_output_redshifts_for_MCMC_Halomodel.txt`
  - Run `echo "0.0" > input/MCMC_inputs/desired_output_redshifts_for_MCMC_Halomodel.txt`
- Use `input/MCMC_inputs/input_Guo13_mcmc_halomodel_MR_W1_W1.par` as input to `LGalaxies` (check `input/MCMC_inputs/HaloModel_MCMCObsConstraints.txt` for l's)