

# Advanced Cosmology

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This course is intended to present the current understanding of the main advanced topics in Cosmology. After completing the course, students will acquire a thorough and updated knowledge of **modern cosmological frameworks**, with particular focus on **dark matter** and **dark energy models**, and on all the **main cosmological probes**. Furthermore, they will learn the primary statistical methods of **modern observational Cosmology**.

# Readings/Bibliography

- **General Relativity: The Essentials**  
Carlo Rovelli; Cambridge University Press
- **Modern Cosmology** Second Edition  
Scott Dodelson, Fabian Schmidt; Academic Press
- Lecture slides, notes and selected scientific papers

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## Numerical tools

C++/Python;  
CosmoBolognaLib

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- **The inhomogeneous Universe**  
the Boltzmann equation for photons, cold dark matter, baryons and neutrinos; scalar-vector-tensor decomposition; the Einstein equations for scalar perturbations; tensor perturbations

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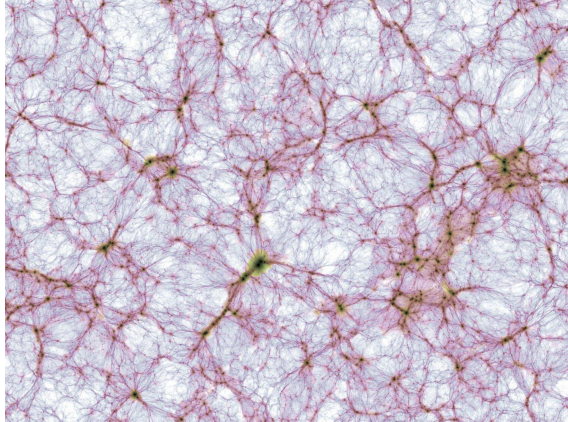
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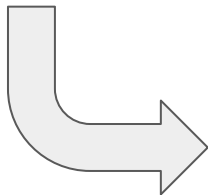
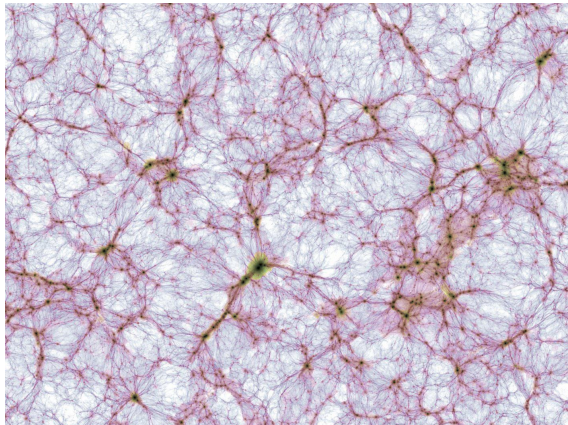
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- **Probes of structure: tracers**  
statistics of galaxies, galaxy clusters and cosmic voids; angular and 3D clustering; bias; baryon acoustic oscillations; redshift-space distortions; geometric distortions

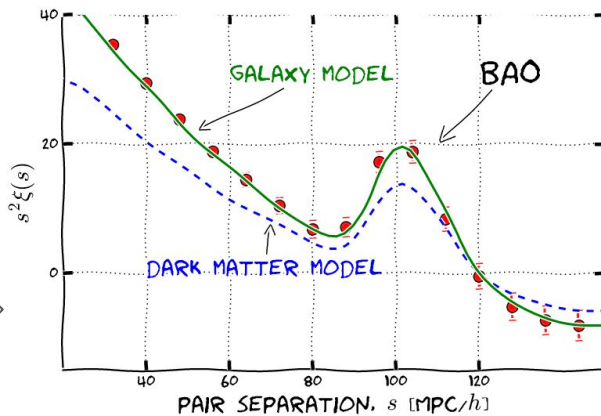
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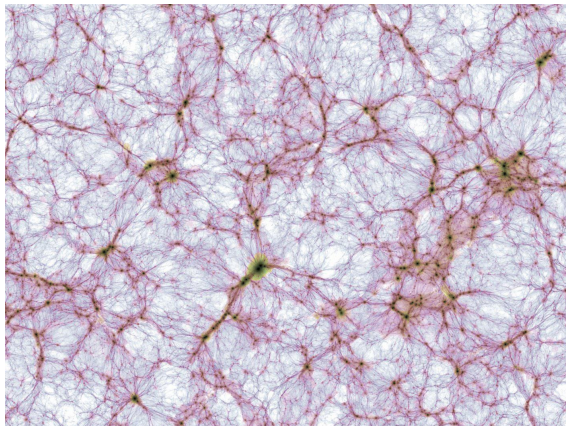
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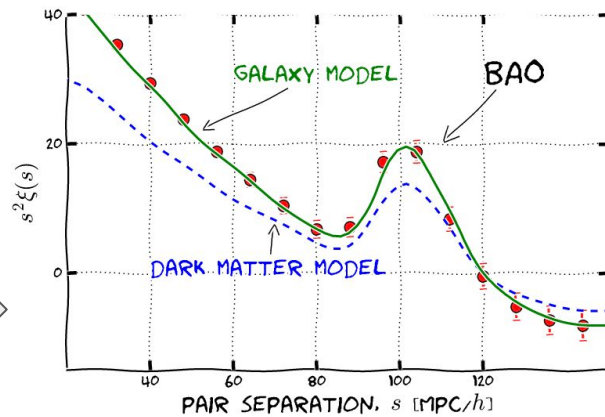
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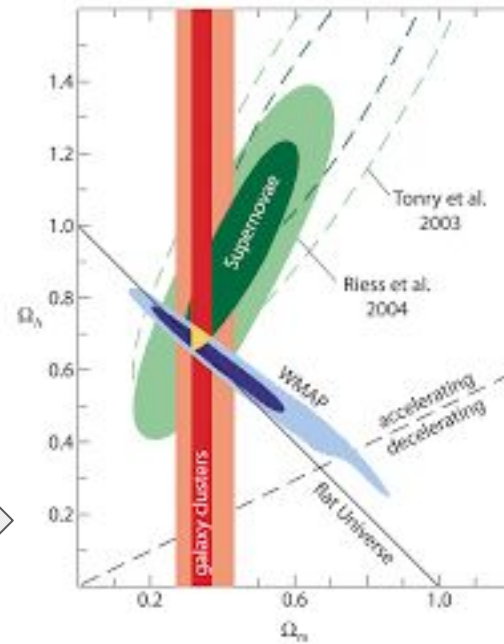
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