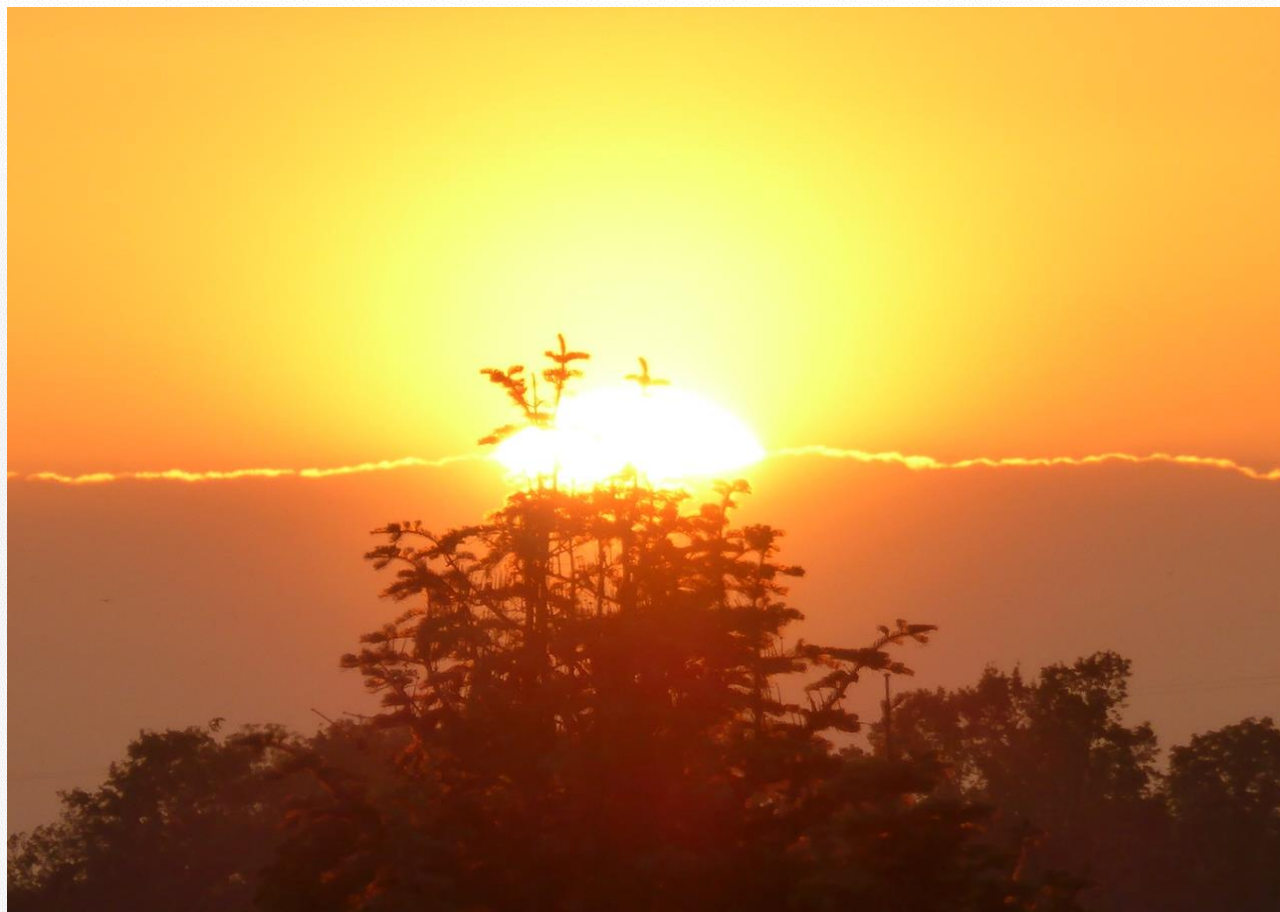




# Legends of the sphere world

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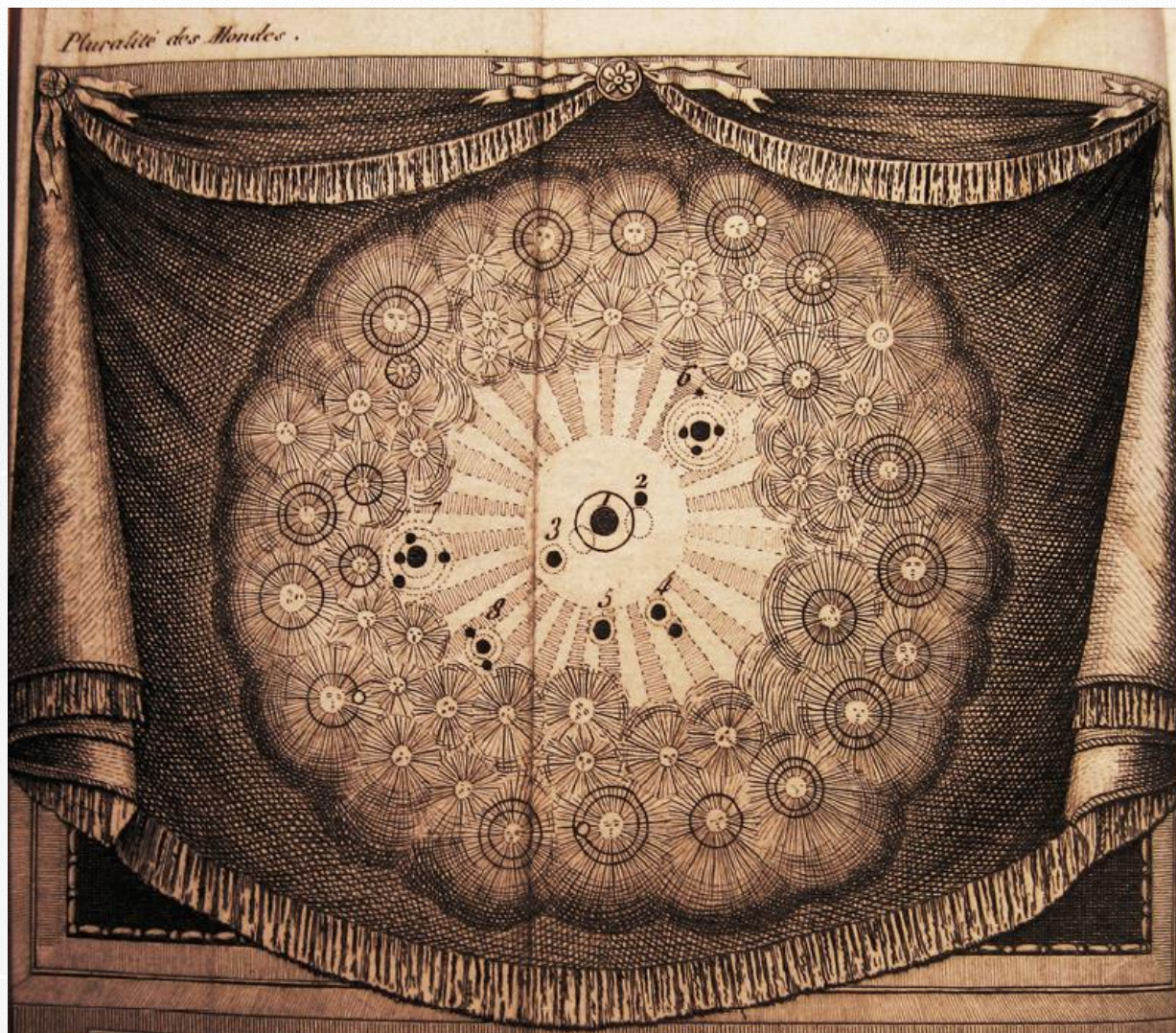


In the beginning, there was the Sphere (or egg, at least)  
The birth of Sun, earth and sky from the egg of the world bird





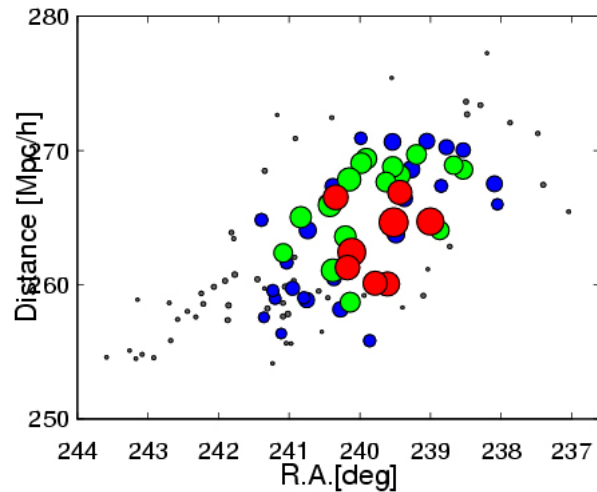
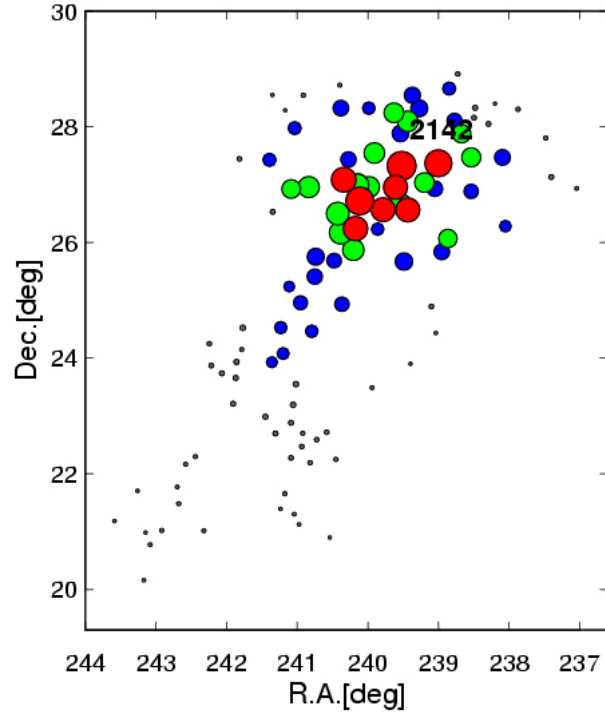




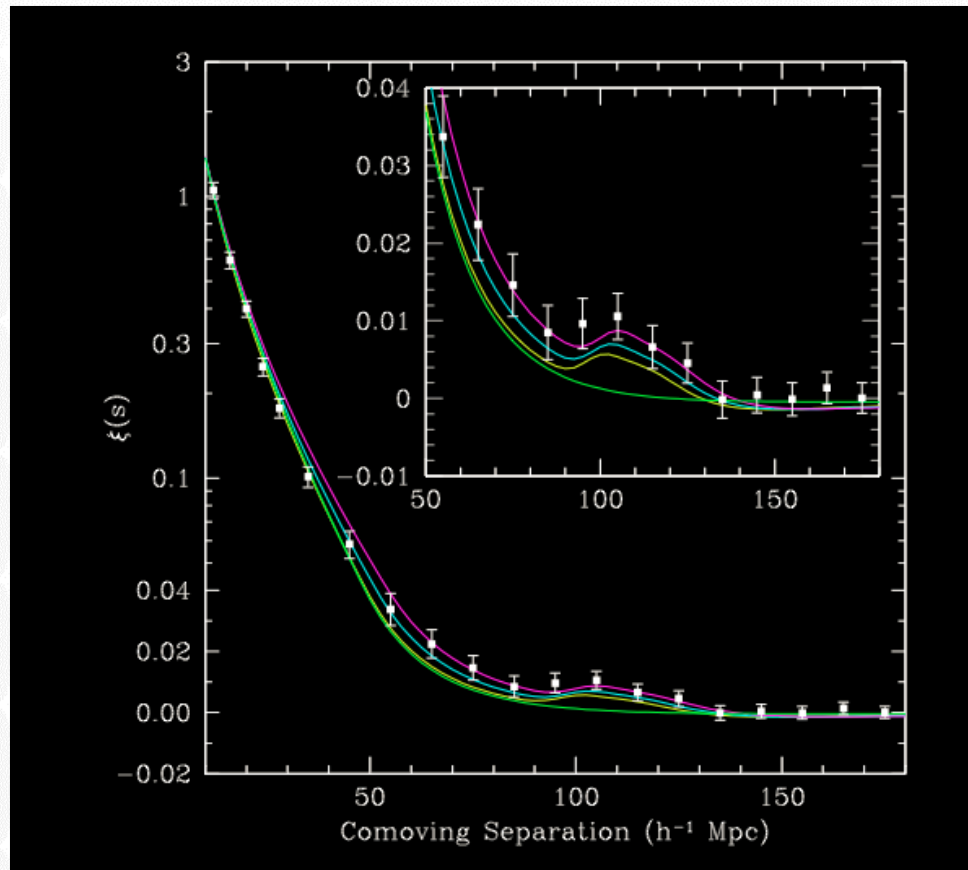
Pluralite des Mondes

D'Olivar (1682, 1800) and Lucia Ayala 2012





**Supercluster A2142**  
with almost spherical main body



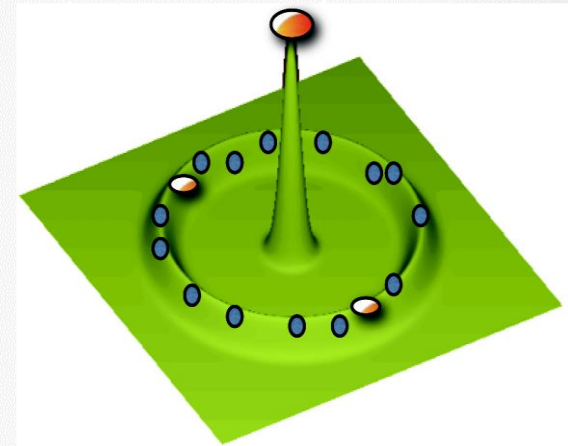
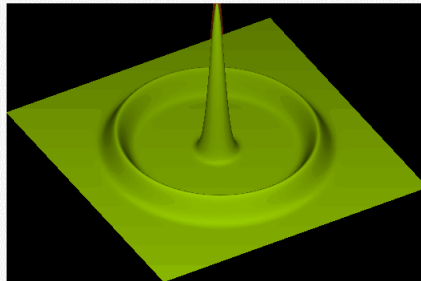
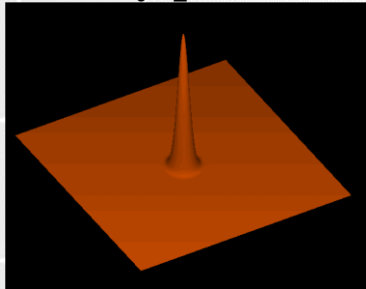
**The correlation function of SDSS galaxies**  
(Eisenstein et al 2005)



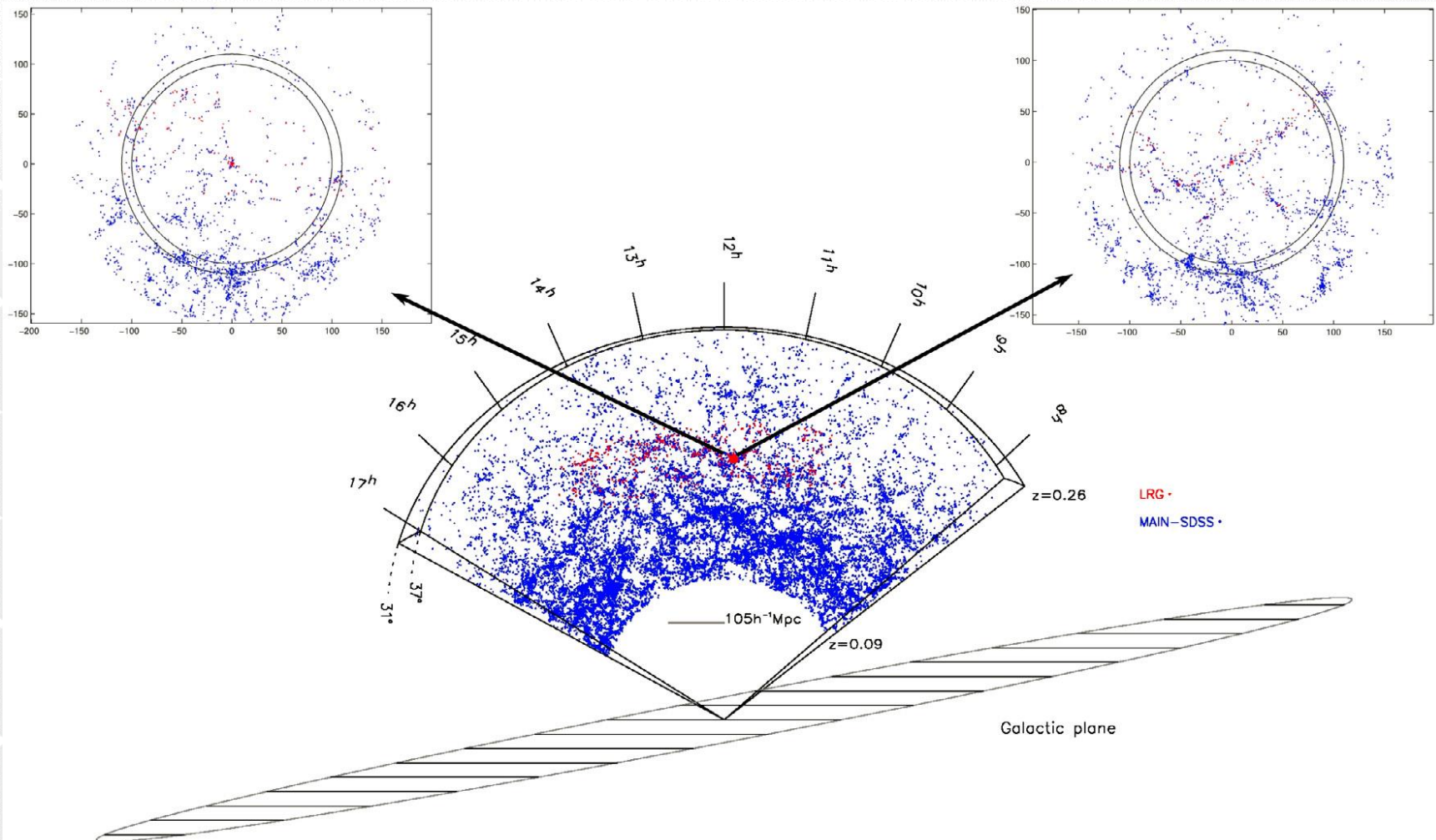
## Baryonic acoustic oscillations (BAO)

In the early Universe density fluctuations produce sound waves in the hot plasma. At recombination ( $t \approx 380\,000$  years), baryons decouple from photons, sound waves become 'frozen'.

A shell of matter will form around initial density perturbations.

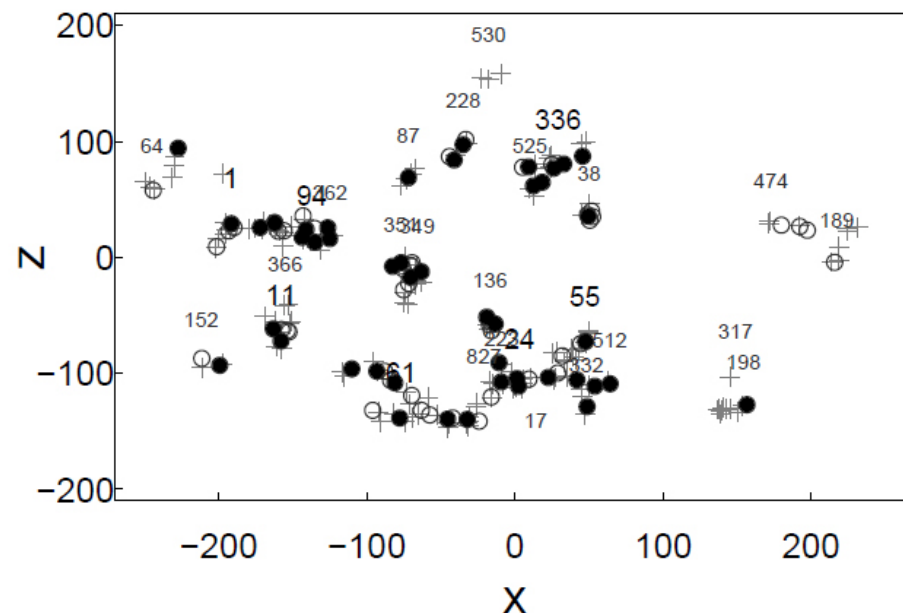
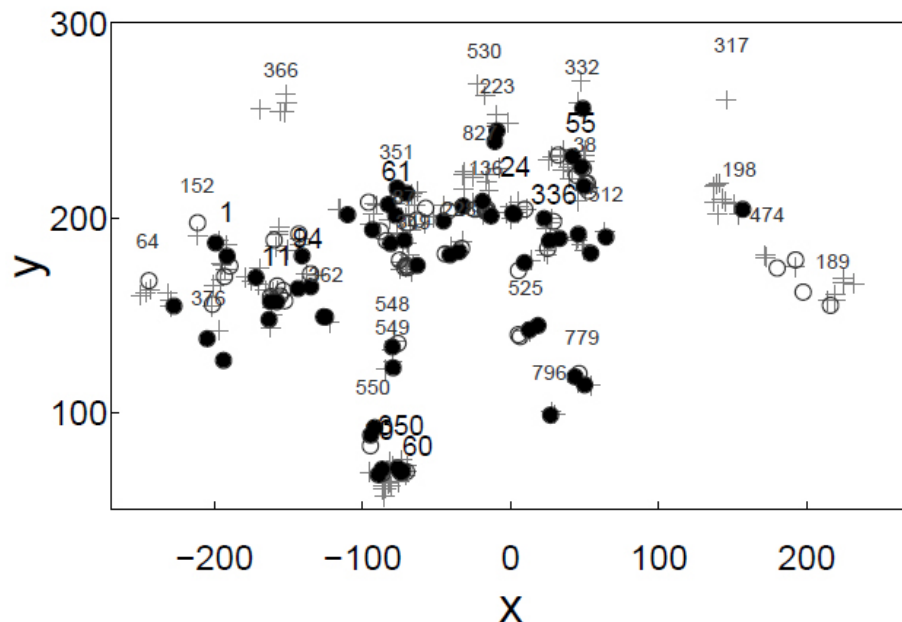


Central large density enhancement,  
surrounded by a shell – like structure  
Arnalte–Mur et al. 2012



**B**AO shells: SDSS LRGs as centres, MAIN galaxies as shell walls  
Shells with radius 109 Mpc/h at redshifts  $0.15 < z < 0.30$  (Arnalte–Mur et al. 2012)





# Distribution of galaxy superclusters

Einasto et al. (2012)





## Shell-like structures in our cosmic neighbourhood:

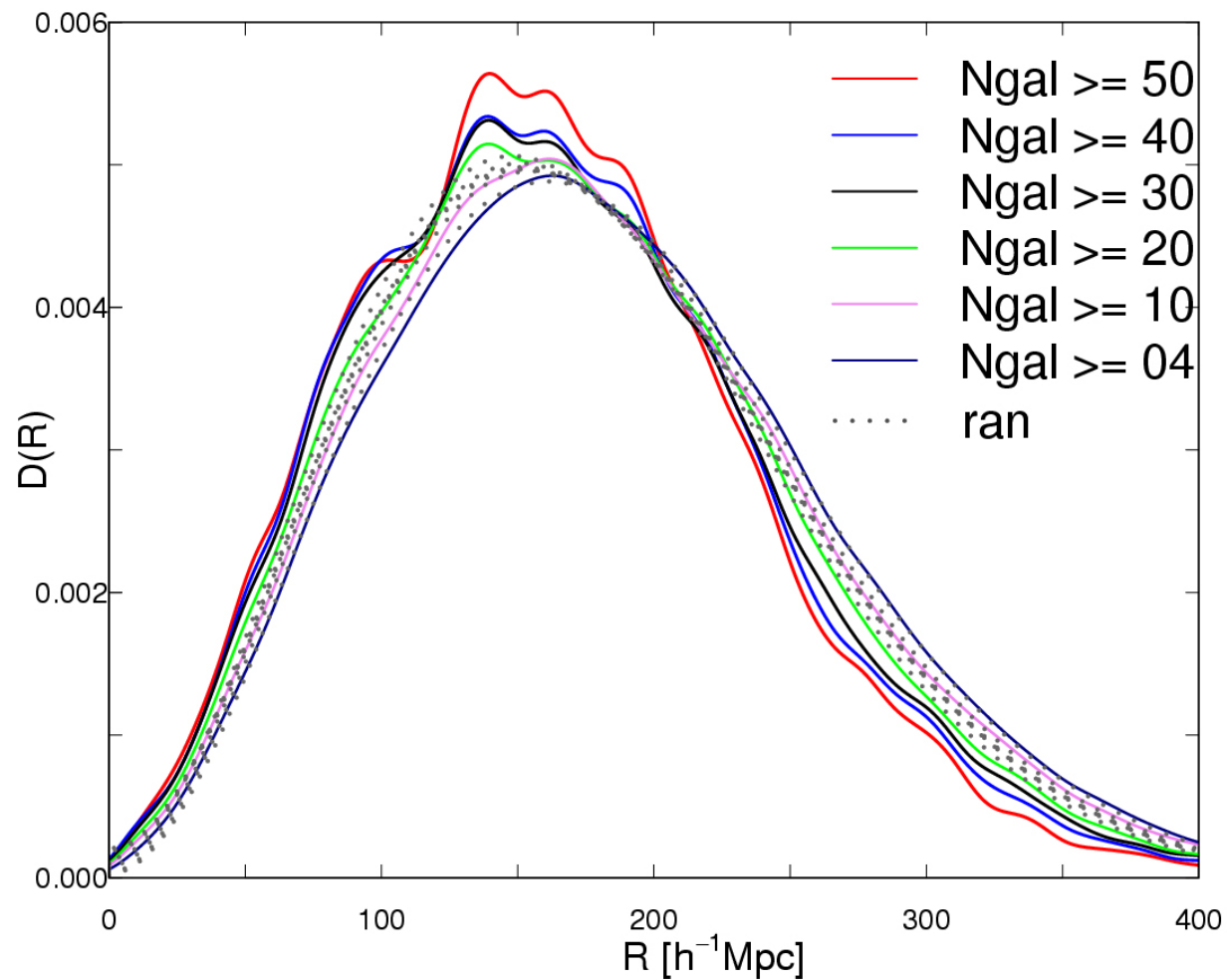
Rich clusters from Sloan Digital Sky Survey as shell centres,  
groups and clusters of galaxies as shell walls

109 rich clusters with at least 50 member galaxies  
in a distance interval 120 – 340 Mpc/h ( $0.04 < z < 0.12$ )

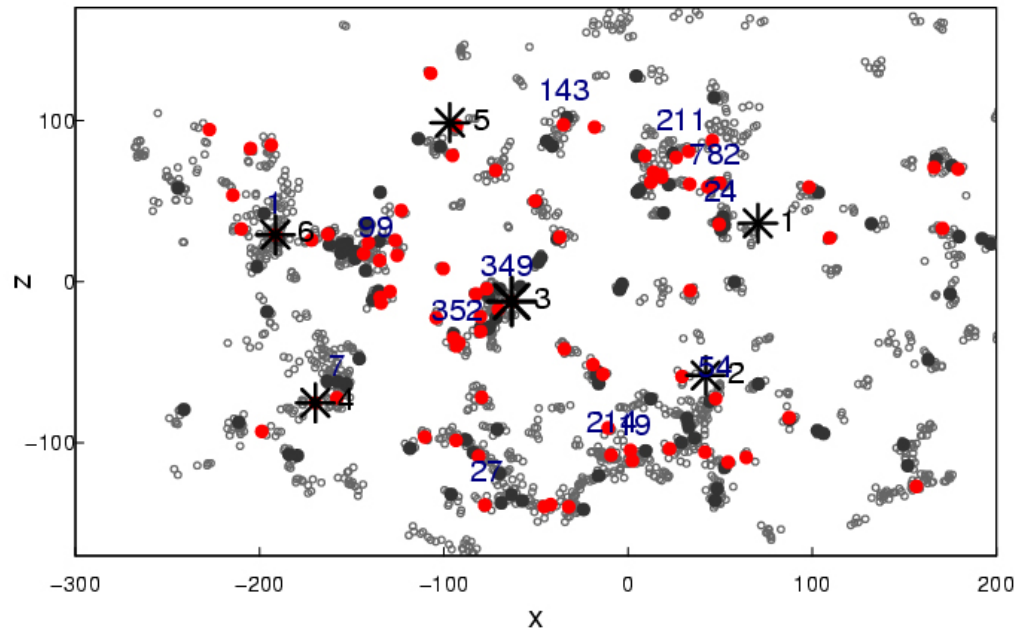
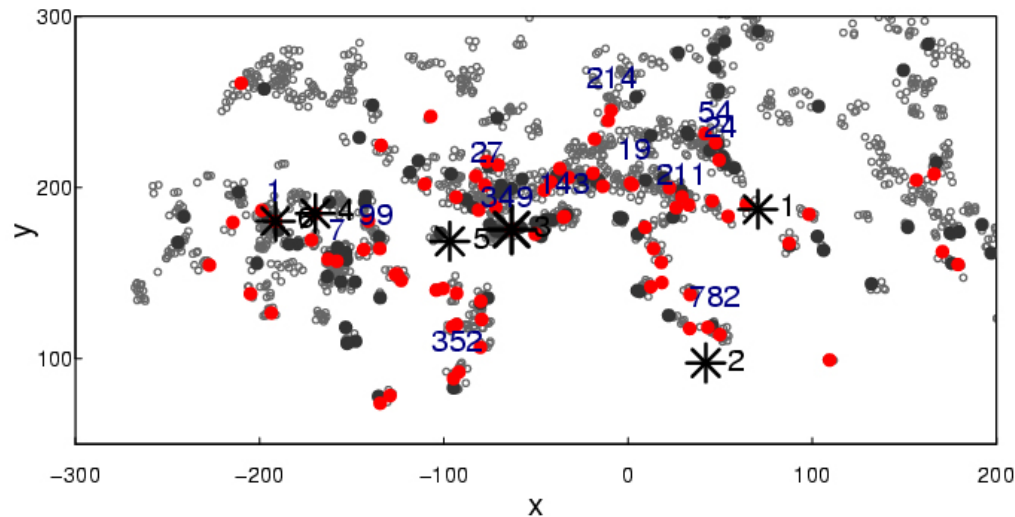
Distance and density distributions around them,  
using groups and clusters of all richnesses from pairs to rich clusters

Bootstrap analysis for statistical reliability  
Comparison with random distribution









**D**istribution of galaxy groups and clusters with  $N_{\text{gal}} \geq 4$ .

Red circles: groups with  $N_{\text{gal}} \geq 50$

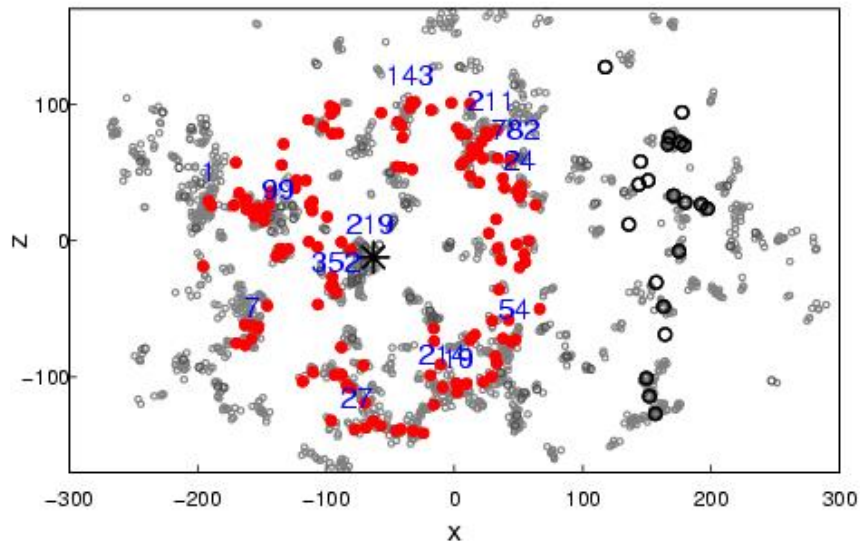
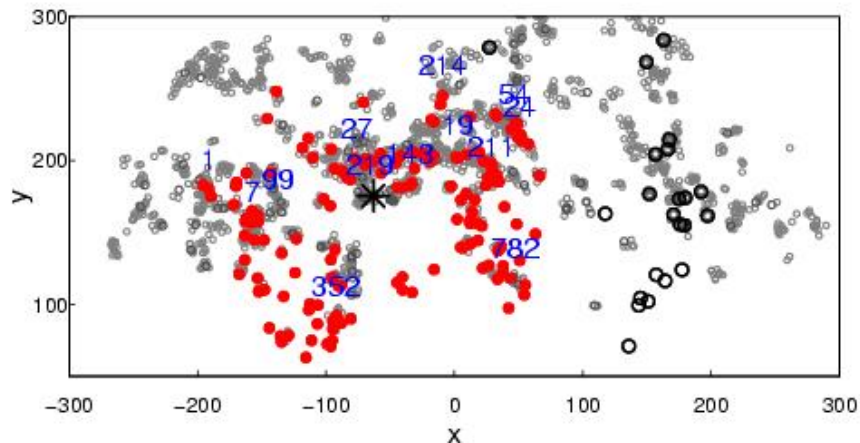
Stars – shell centre candidates



(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
No.	ID	$N_{\text{gal}}$	R.A. [deg]	Dec. [deg]	Dist. [ $h^{-1}$ Mpc]	$L_{\text{tot}}$ [ $10^{10} h^{-2} L_{\odot}$ ]	$D8$	Abell ID	SCI ID
1	20159	52	158.02	40.16	203.31	59.80	3.9	A 1026, A 1035X	—
2	3714	82	164.58	1.56	121.07	54.71	5.6	A 1139X	—
3	23374	114	207.22	26.68	186.81	100.95	9.0	A 1795X, A 1818	349
4	34513	53	225.86	7.88	261.94	94.18	5.9	A 2020	1311
5	50647	52	232.32	52.88	217.84	62.30	4.4	—	—
6	29587	207	239.52	27.32	264.53	365.47	20.7	A 2142X	1





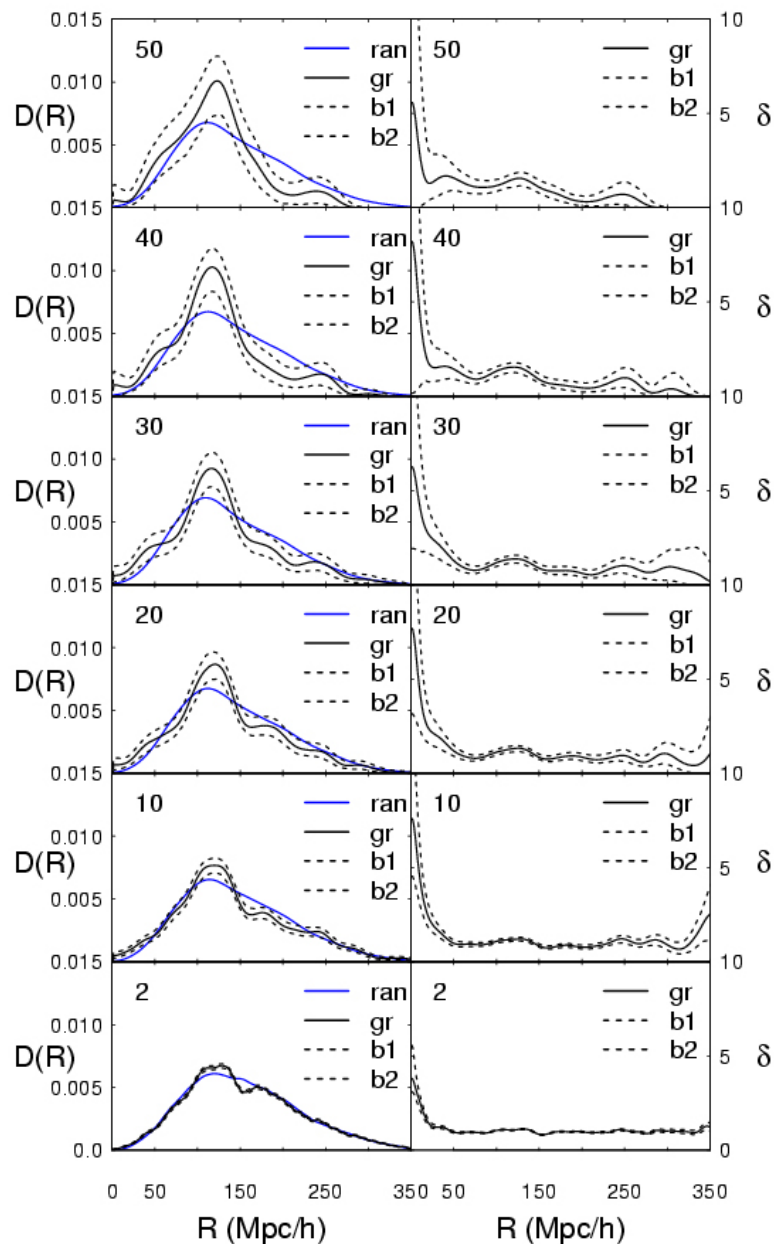


## Structures around A1795

Distribution of galaxy groups and clusters with  $N_{\text{gal}} \geq 4$ .

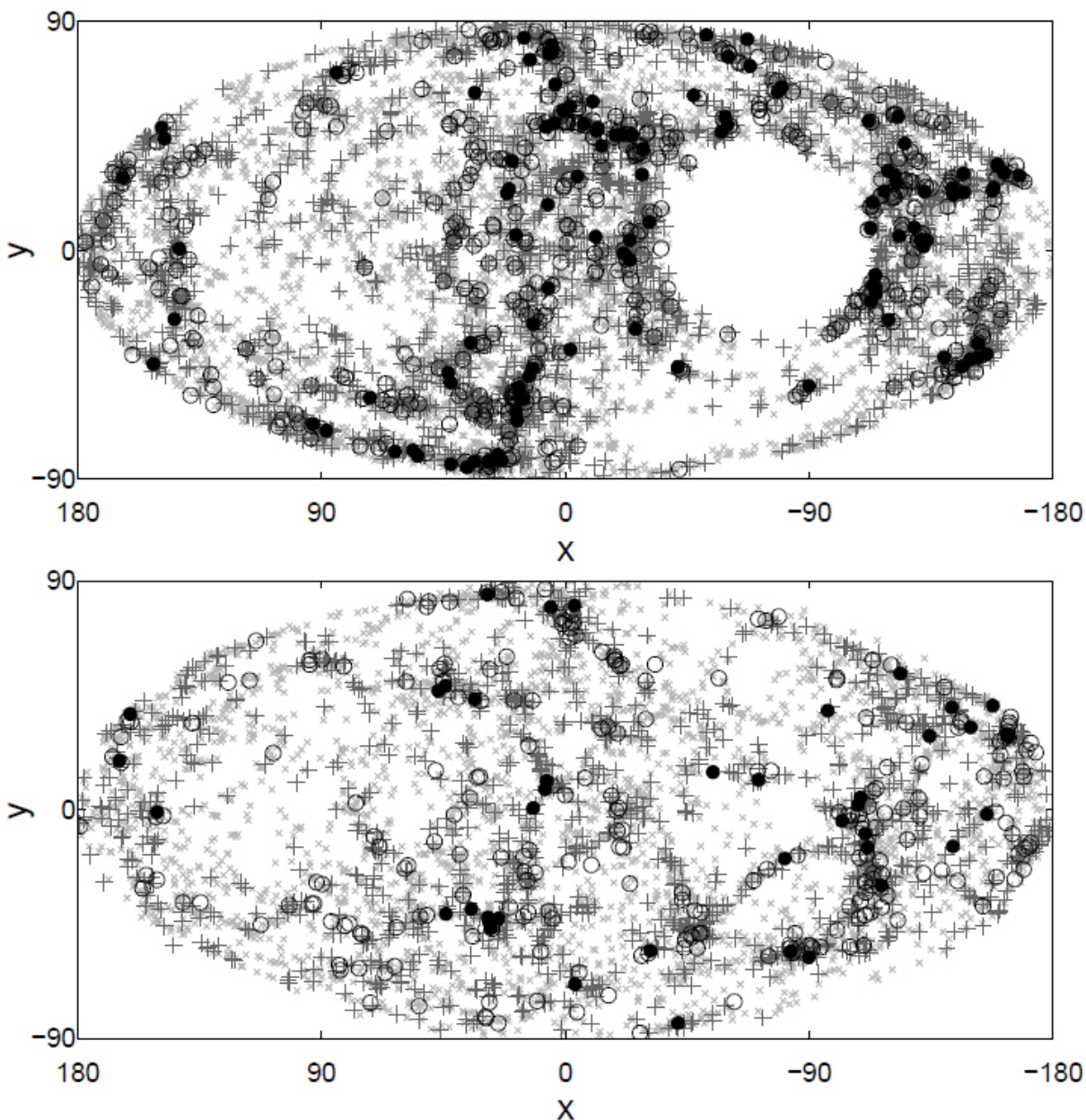
Red circles:  
groups with  $N_{\text{gal}} \geq 30$   
In a distance interval  
90 – 140 Mpc/h from A1795.

Grey circles:  
groups with  $N_{\text{gal}} \geq 30$   
In a distance interval  
225 – 275 Mpc/h from A1795.



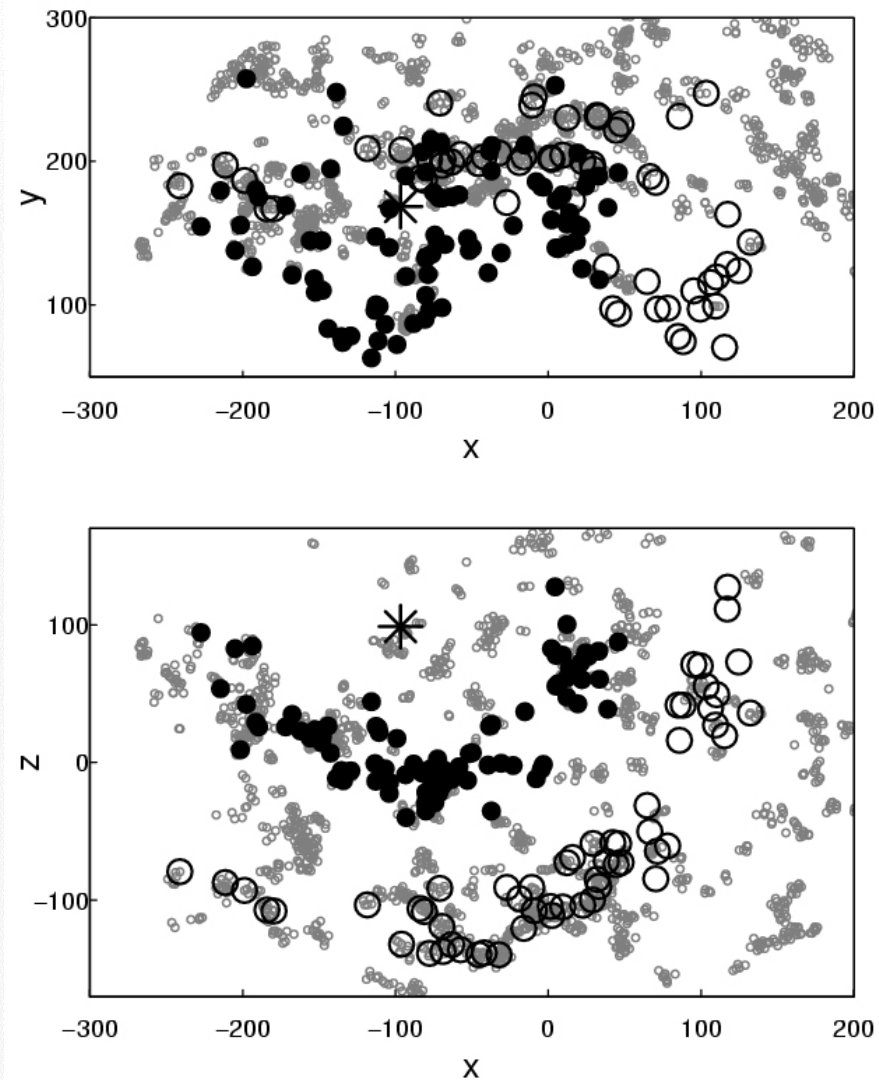
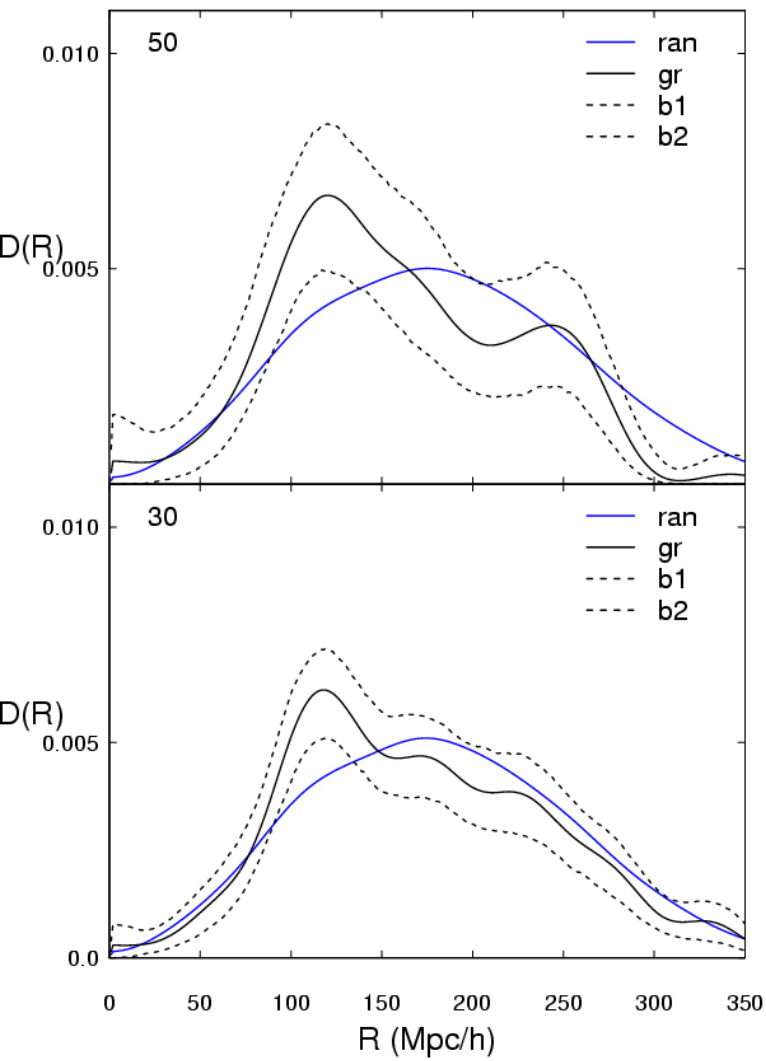
Distance and density  
distributions  
from the cluster A1795  
Maxima:  
120 Mpc/h and 240 Mpc/h



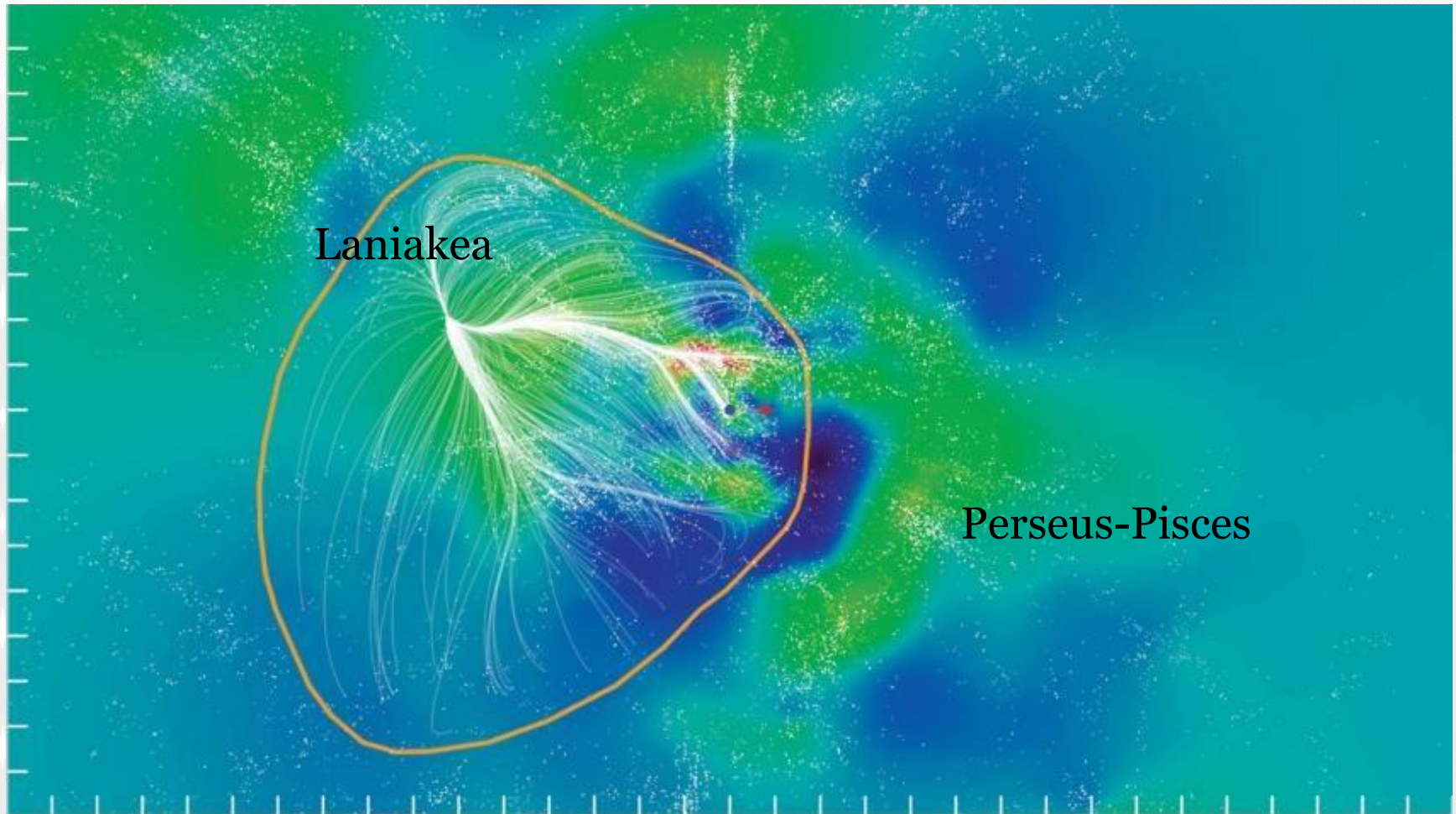


**S**ky distribution of groups  
around A1795.

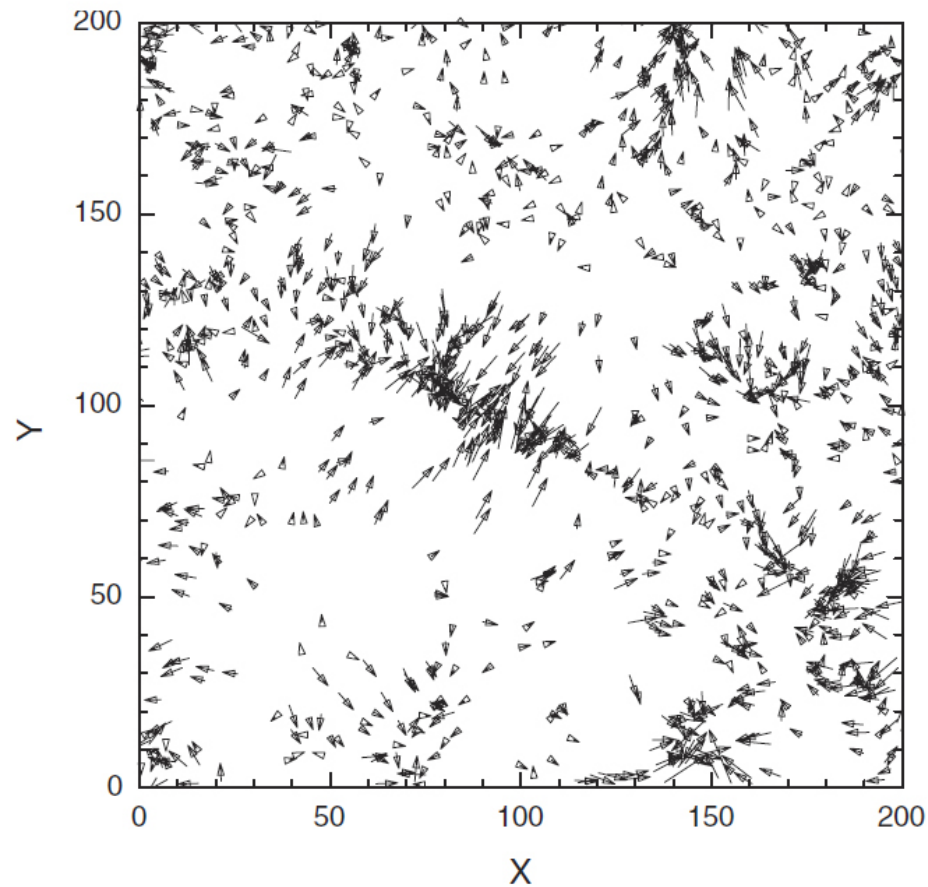
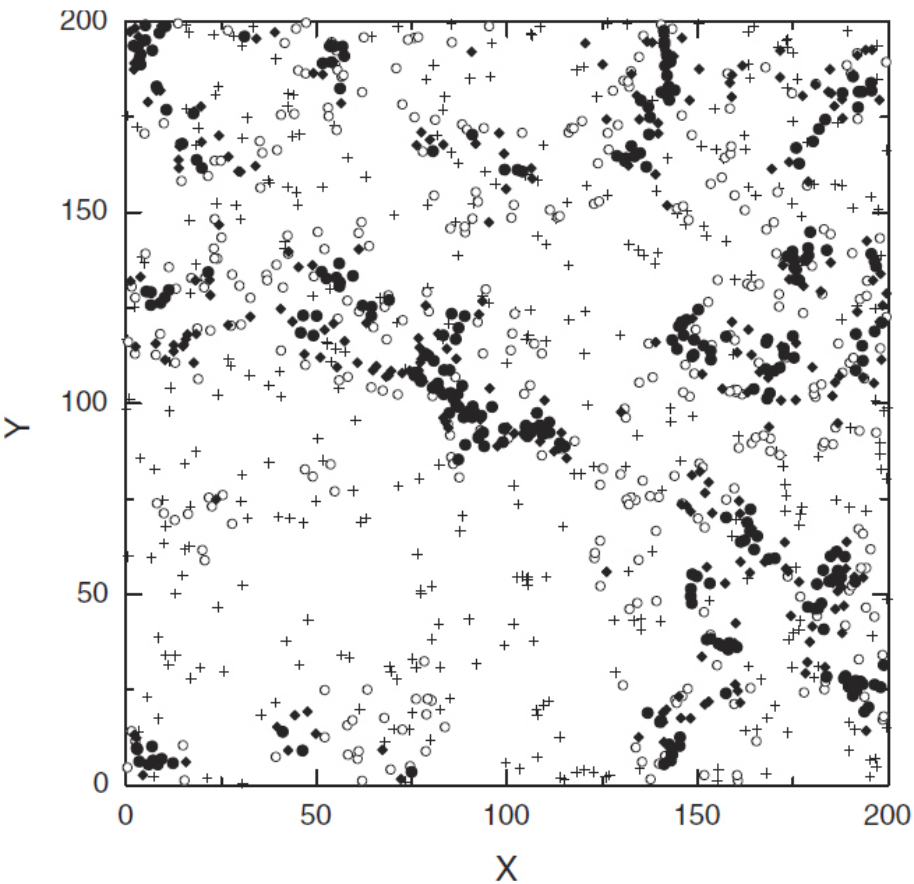
Upper: 90 – 130 Mpc/h  
Lower: 50 – 90 Mpc/h







Distance between centres of Laniakea and Perseus-Pisces  
superclusters  $\sim 120$  Mpc/h.



**D**istribution of dark matter haloes in simulations



## Conclusions:

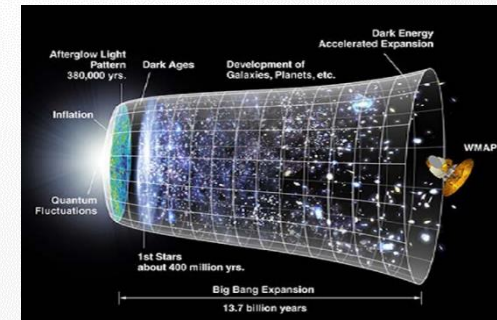
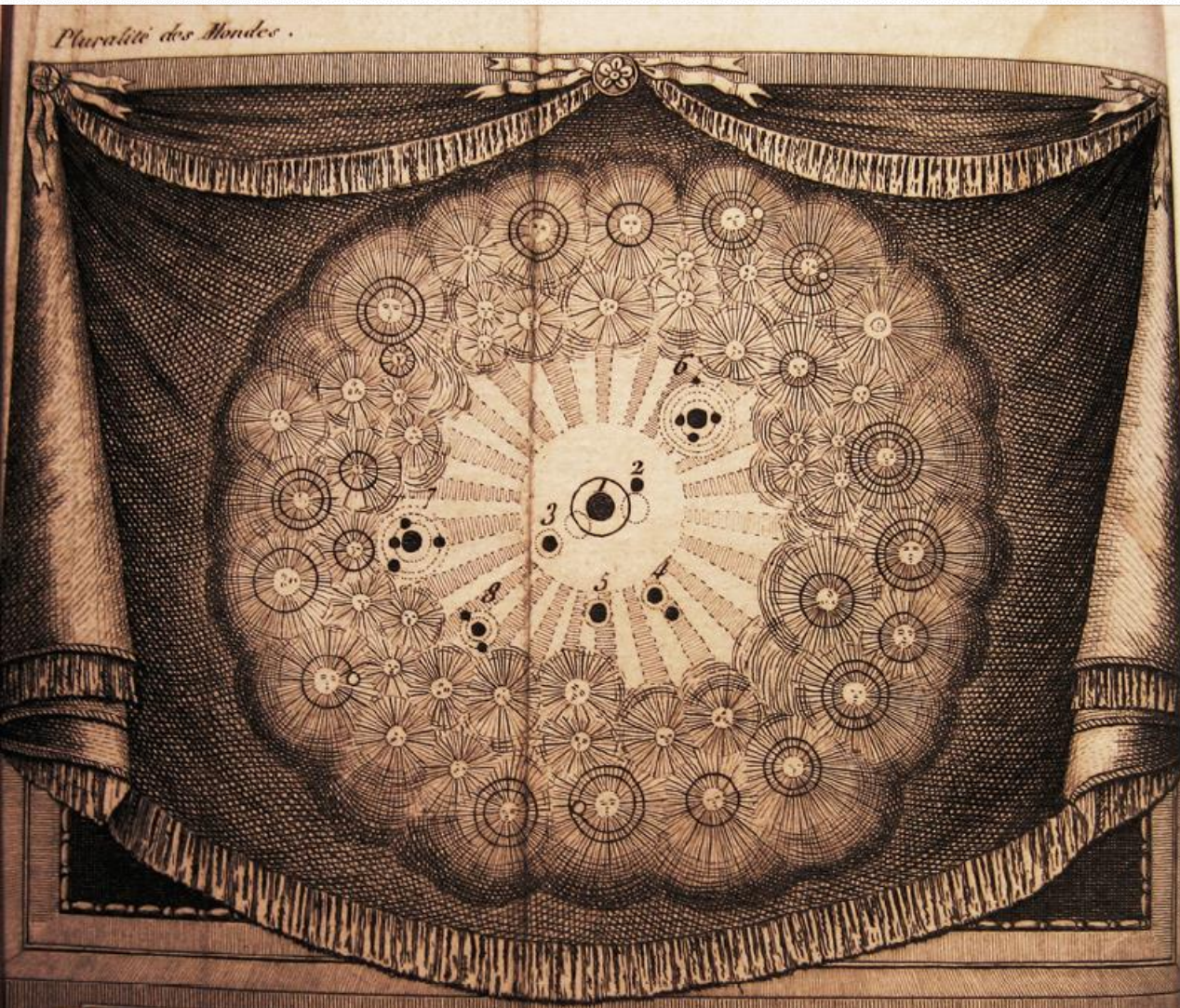
We detected shell-like structures in the distribution of nearby groups, clusters, and superclusters of galaxies, centered at rich clusters in superclusters and in the field

The radius of the shell is larger than expected for BAO  
(120 – 130 Mpc/h vs. 109 Mpc/h)

Shell walls are delineated by *very rich superclusters* – this is the most important difference between our shells and BAO shells

We plan to continue our study with a deeper sample of groups and clusters to understand better the structures in nearby and distant Universe, and the properties of the cosmic web formed by an interplay of many physical processes with their characteristic scales.





**T**hank you!

