

# The GAMA Multi-Wavelength Survey: The Stellar-Mass Halo-Mass Paradigm



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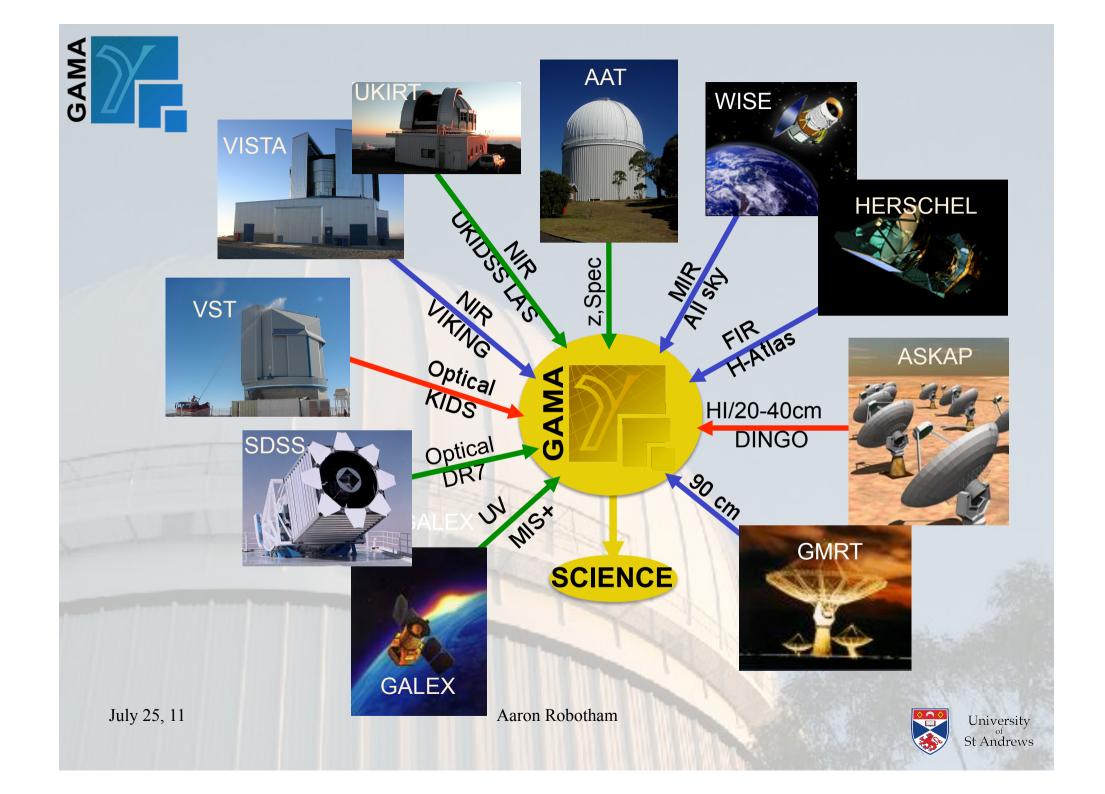




### GAMA I (II) Outline

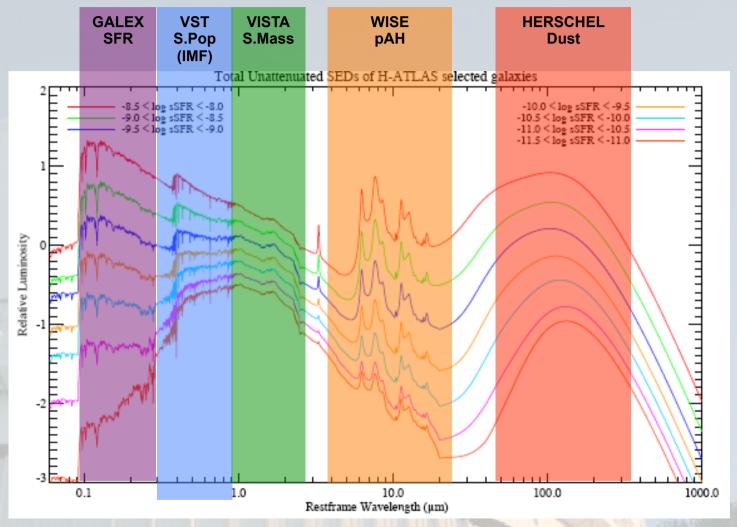
- An r-band selected redshift survey:
  - Three (Six) regions each  $\sim$  4x12 deg (5x12 deg)
  - ~1000 targets per sq deg (2dFGRS~120, SDSS~70) ~8 tiles per unit area
  - Testing CDM via HMF, merger rates, and SFE
  - Total allocation 66 (178) nights
- A multi-wavelength study of galaxies:
  - FUV,NUV,ugrizYJHK,mid-IR,far-IR,20cm,21cm,1m (AGN, stars, gas, dust)
  - 1kpc resolution in ugrizYJHK to z<0.1 (structural analysis)</li>
  - Robust halo masses (internal/external environmental markers)
  - Estimated data value A\$55 million
- GAMA Team now includes >50 scientist across >30 institutions.







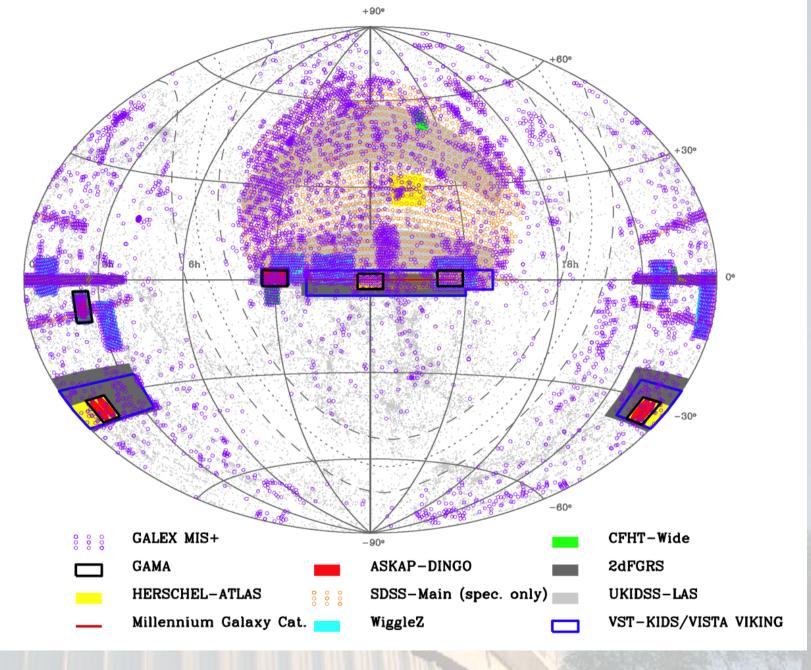
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Smith et al (2011)











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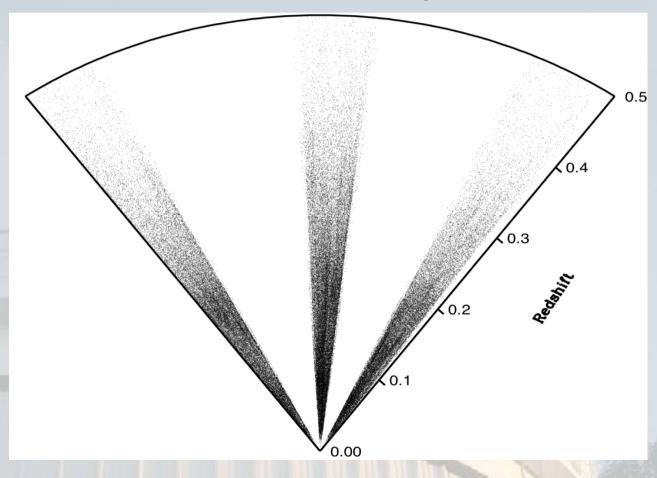


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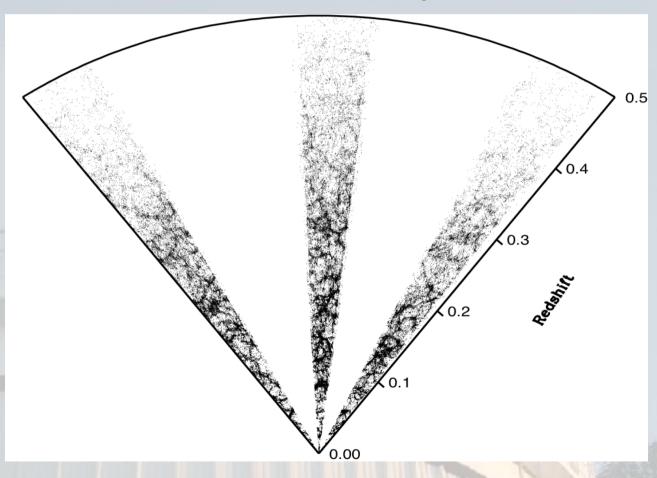


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## GAMA Galaxy Group Catalogue Alias: G<sup>3</sup>C (Robotham et al. 2011)

- Tried various implementations of FoF and halo based grouping
- FoF: Links built between individual galaxies
  - Groups built from finding common links
- Halo: Cores of groups found by constructing the voronoi tessellation
  - Scale core membership to define group extent
- FoF grouping much more flexible and successful when tested against mocks, used as the basis of the final group catalogue algorithm.



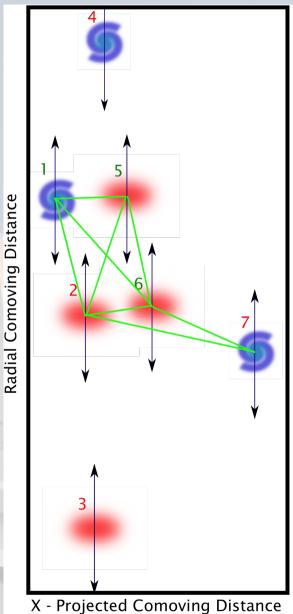


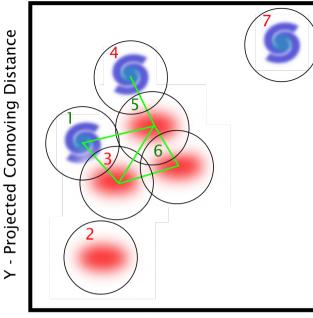
- At the simplest level we:
  - Calculate the GAMA luminosity function (LF).
  - Require that galaxies are significantly linked when they are locally overdense.
  - Do this separately radially and in projection.

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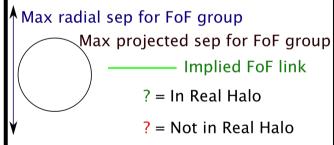
 We then construct groups out of common linking.

Robotham et al. 2011 MNRAS in press





X - Projected Comoving Distance



Actual Halo Group = 1, 5, 6

Radial FoF Group = 1, 2, 5, 6, 7

Projected FoF Group = 1, 3, 4, 5, 6

Final Common FoF Group = 1, 5, 6

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### Some technical points...

- To create meaningful group catalogues we need to understand the biases expected by choosing different approaches to grouping
- Solution is to test on mock catalogues- created by Alex Merson (Durham) and Peder Norberg (Edinburgh). This is a combination of the Millennium Simulation plus a GALFORM semi-analytic (Bower et al. 2006) galaxy formation recipe on top.
- 27 GAMA like volumes (z= 0 -> 0.5, 48 sqdeg) exist with known associations between dark matter halos and semi-analytic galaxies.
- In some sense, we need an approaching to grouping that does "the best job" at recovering correct groupings lots to say on that subject, interested parties should read the G3C paper.



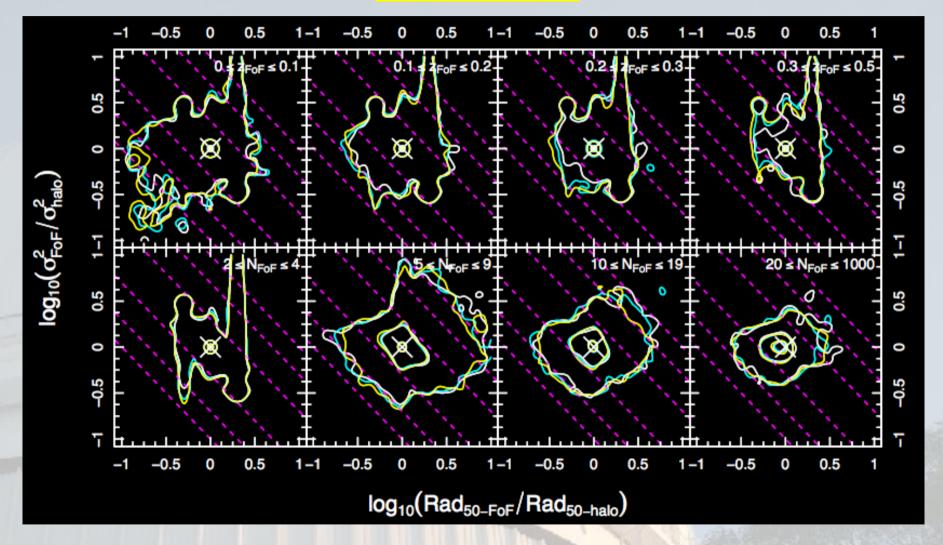


## How good do we expect our groups to be?





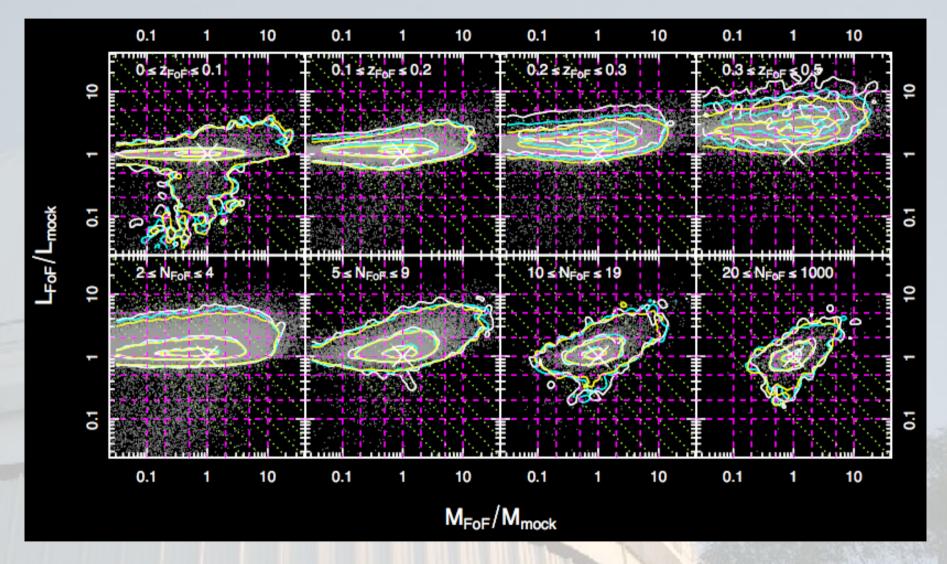
## $M \propto \sigma^2 r$







## Group Dynamical Mass and Luminosity using global correction





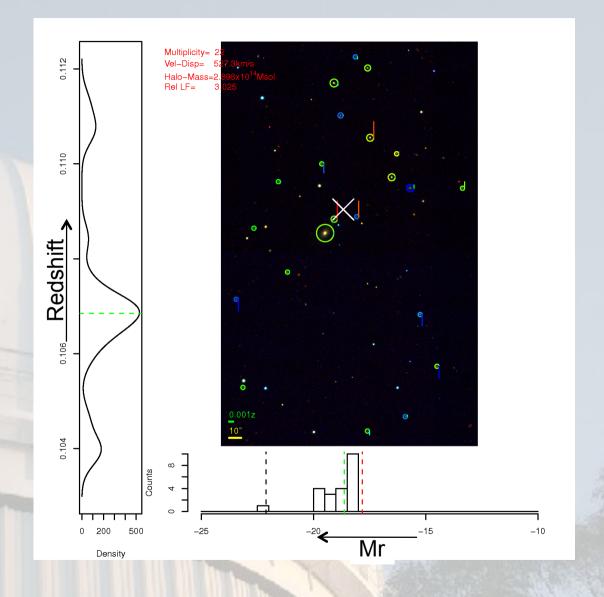


#### Fossil Group

 $Z \sim 0.11$ 

22 w. GAMA

1 pre GAMA







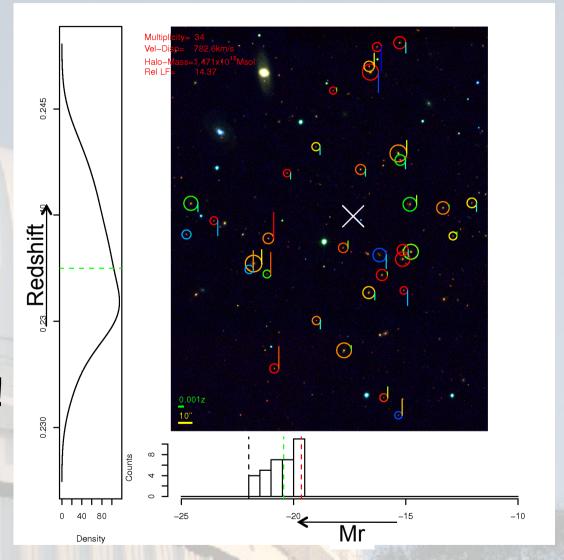
Cluster

 $Z \sim 0.24$ 

34 w. GAMA

5 pre GAMA

Perfect cluster!







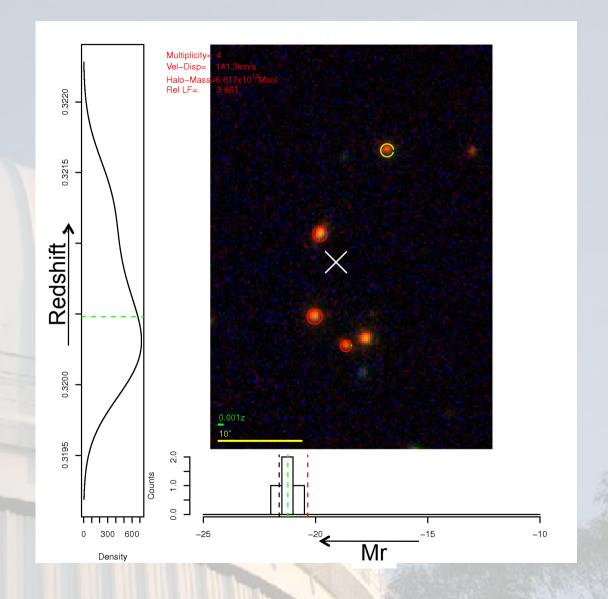
#### **Small Group**

 $Z \sim 0.32$ 

4 w. GAMA

0 pre GAMA

All within 2dF fibre collision radius.



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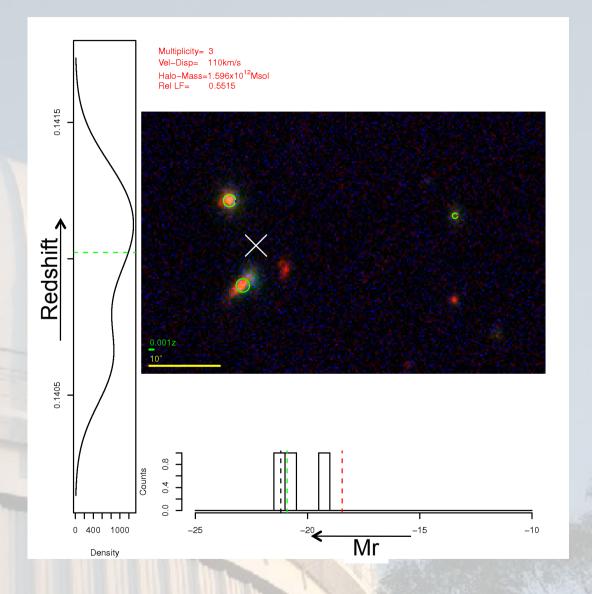
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 $Z \sim 0.14$ 

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Mergers?



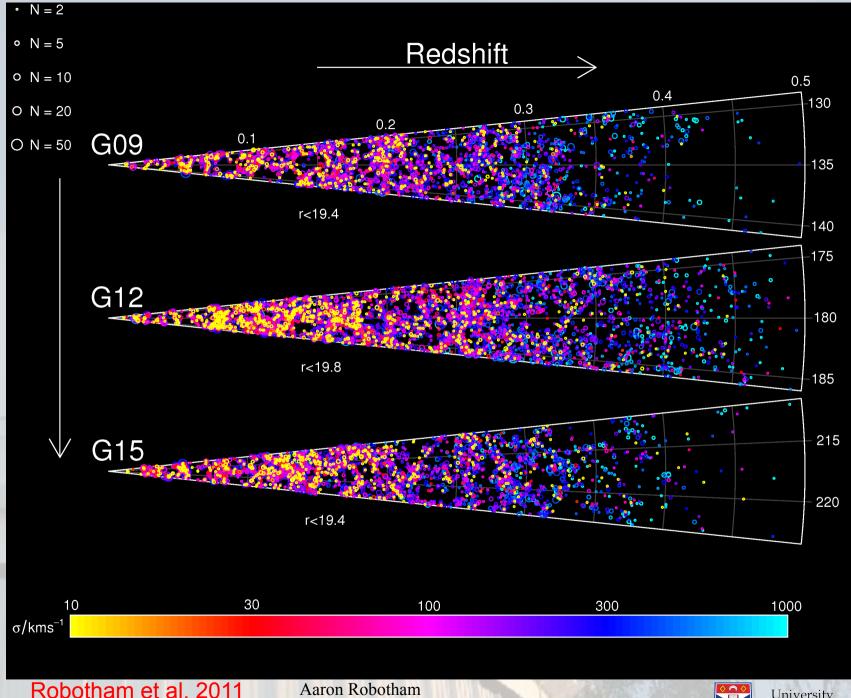




### How do we do overall?

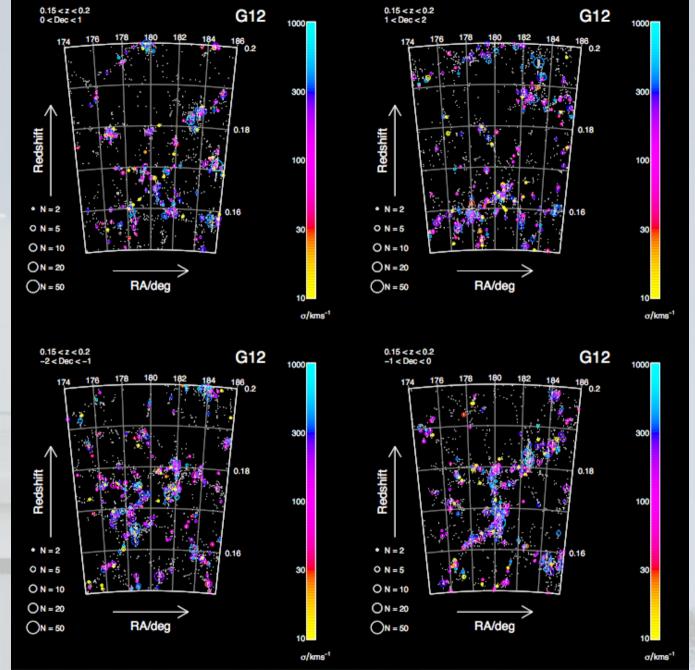






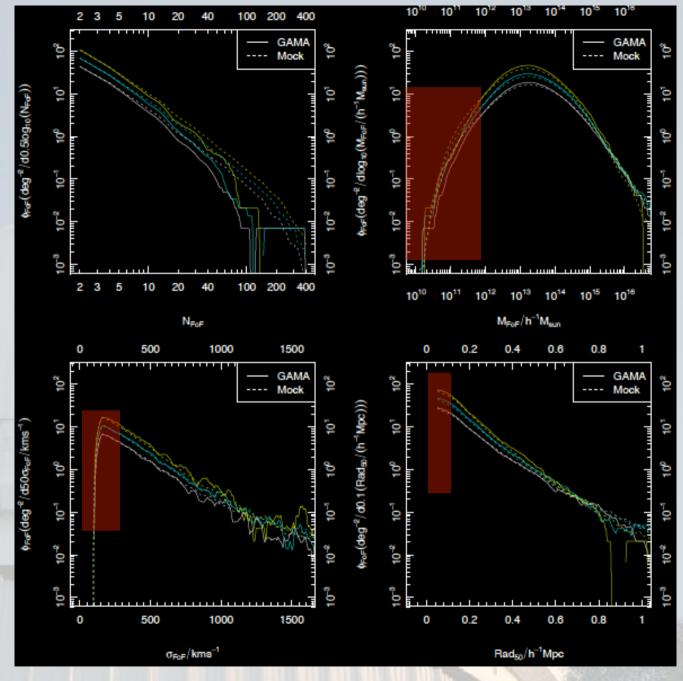










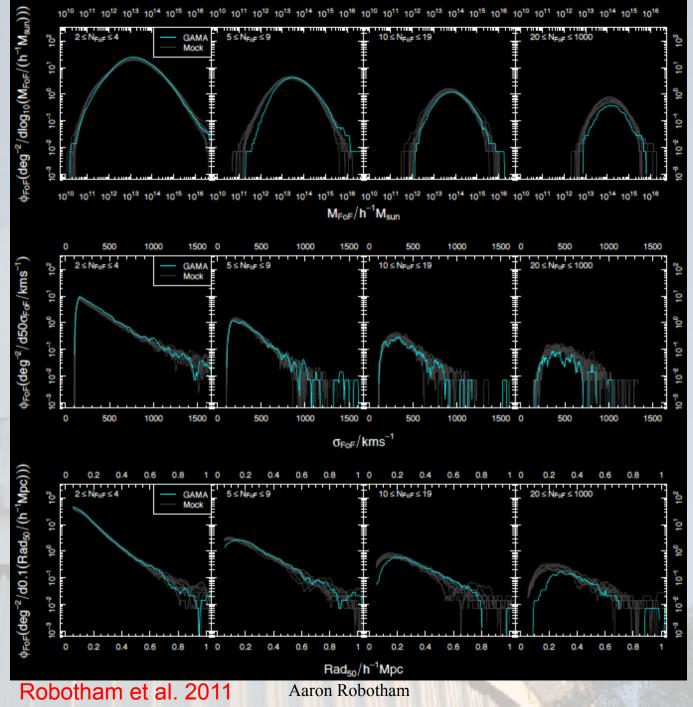




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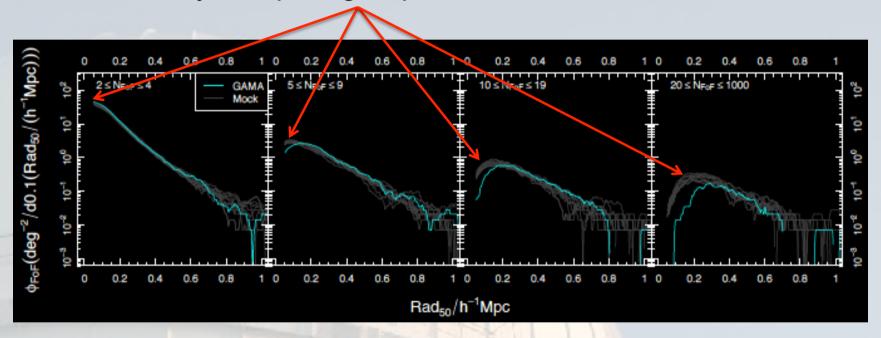
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### So what is going on at low mass?

• Problem appears to be that the mocks (MS + SA) produce far too many compact groups.

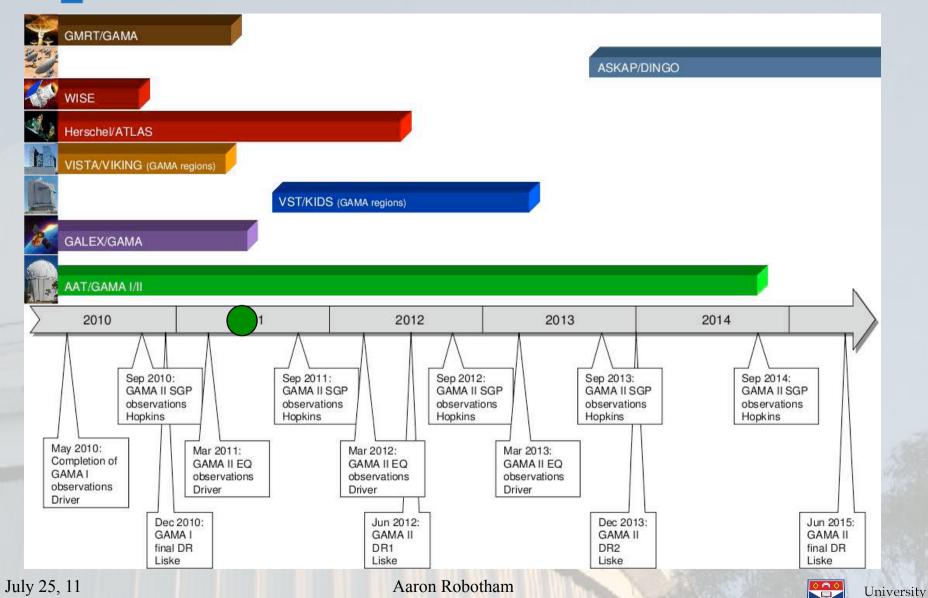


- A few possibilities:
  - CDM clustering
  - Dynamical friction recipe





#### What next...

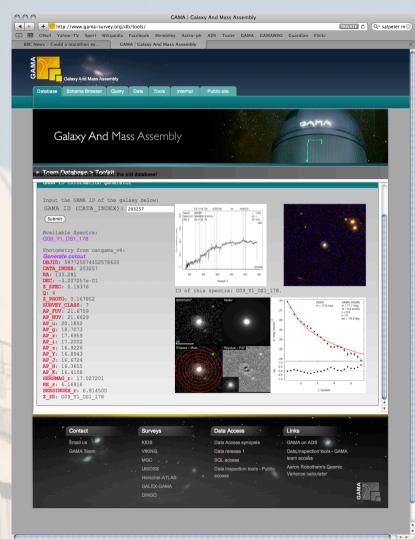


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## GAMA Database/Website http://www.gama-survey.org/

- GAMA website is up and running.
- It includes the first public release of data.
- We have SQL server to search catalogues.
- Other data products:
  - Spectra
  - Swarp mosaics
  - 2D profiles
  - SFR
  - Stellar Mass







#### Conclusions

- GAMA is offering the astronomical community the definitive low-z galaxy database.
- Phase I is complete, and many papers based on this data are about to be released.
- My work has included producing the GAMA Galaxy Group Catalogue (G<sup>3</sup>C) see arXiv:1106.1994 (MNRAS in press).
  - We find discrepancies between the data and the MS-SA mocks. Work ongoing to discover origin.
- Now moved on to observing GAMA-II (N+S).
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