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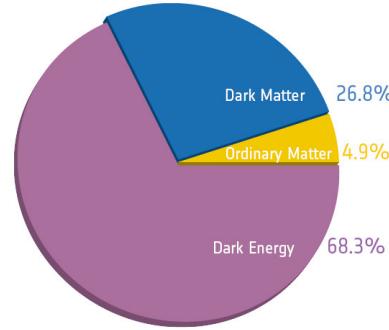
# *Valorizzazione dell'informazione cosmologica nelle grandi survey di galassie dallo spazio attraverso algoritmi innovativi di Machine Learning*

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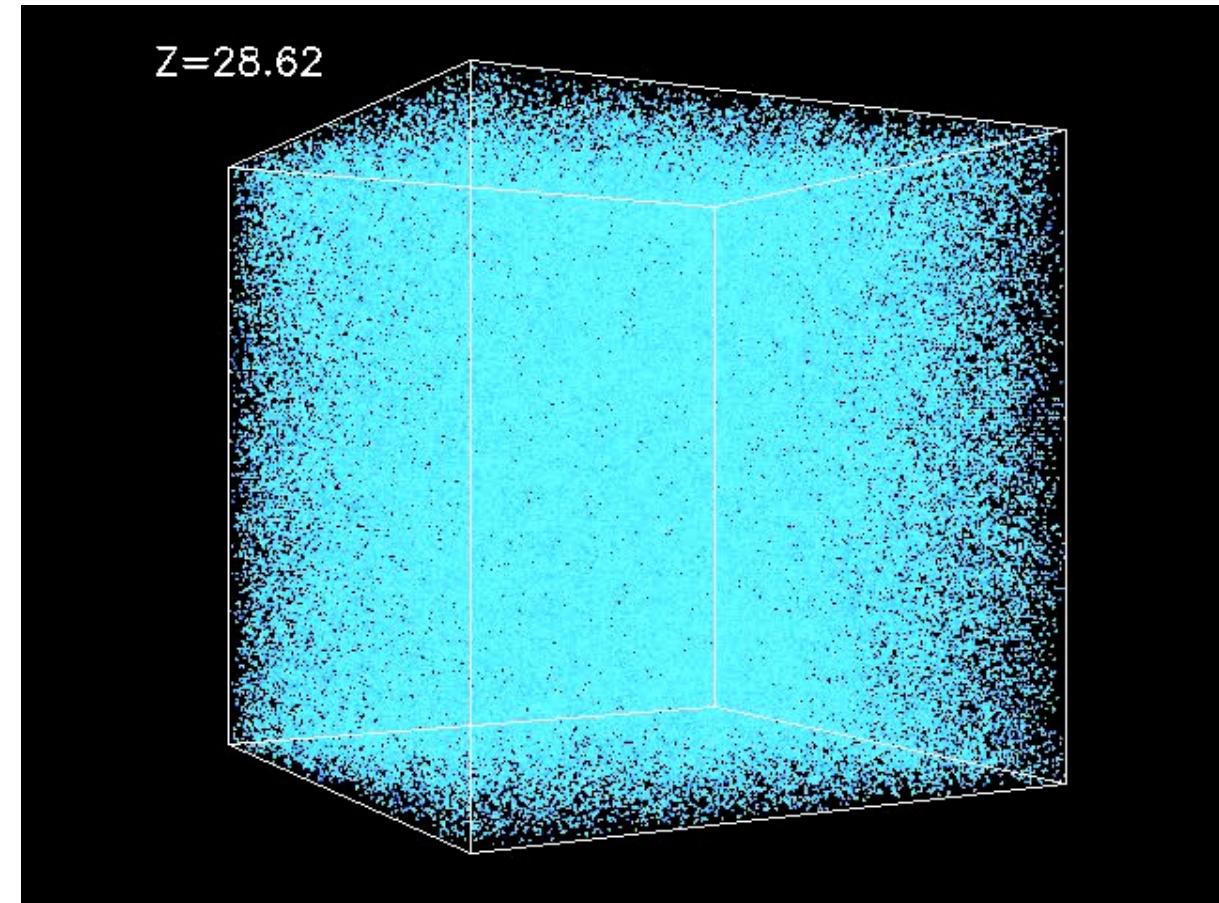
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# Introduction: the goals of modern cosmology

- We live in a strange Universe dominated by dark matter and dark energy, which we do not understand



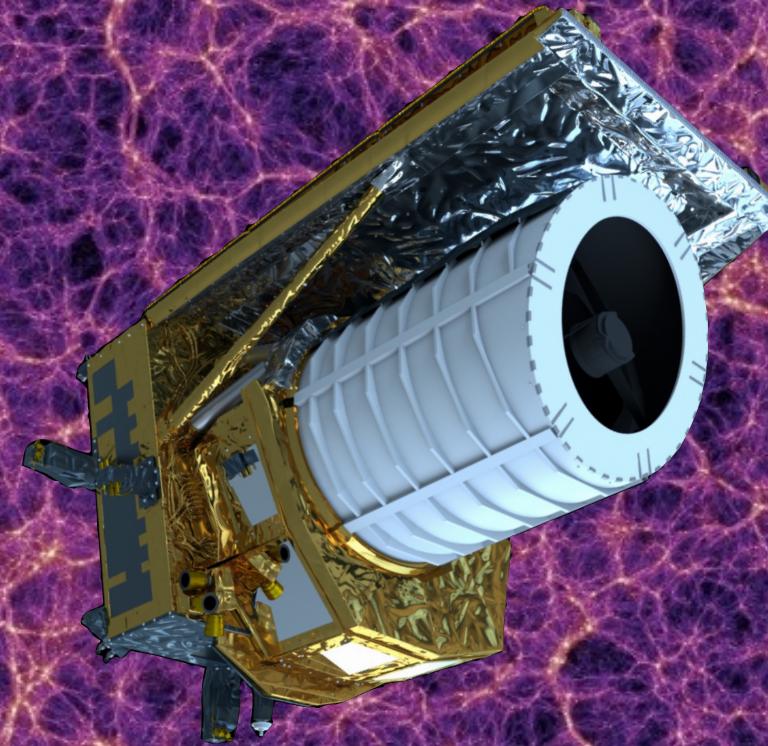
- The ingredients of this cosmic soup shape the formation of the large-scale structure of the Universe





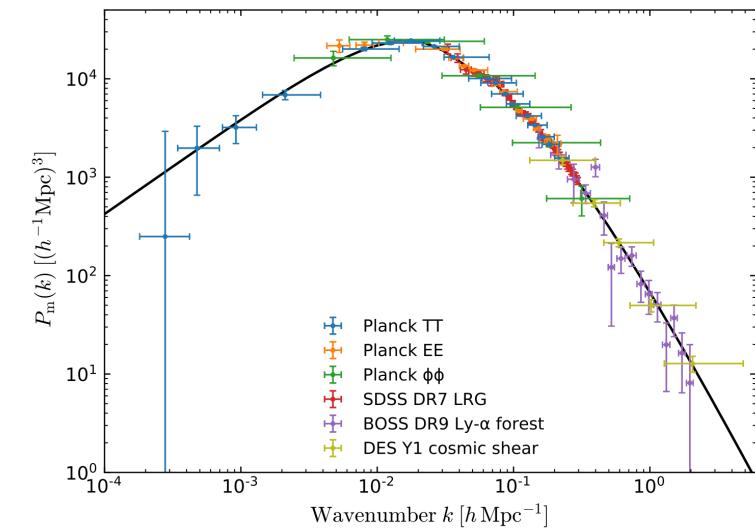
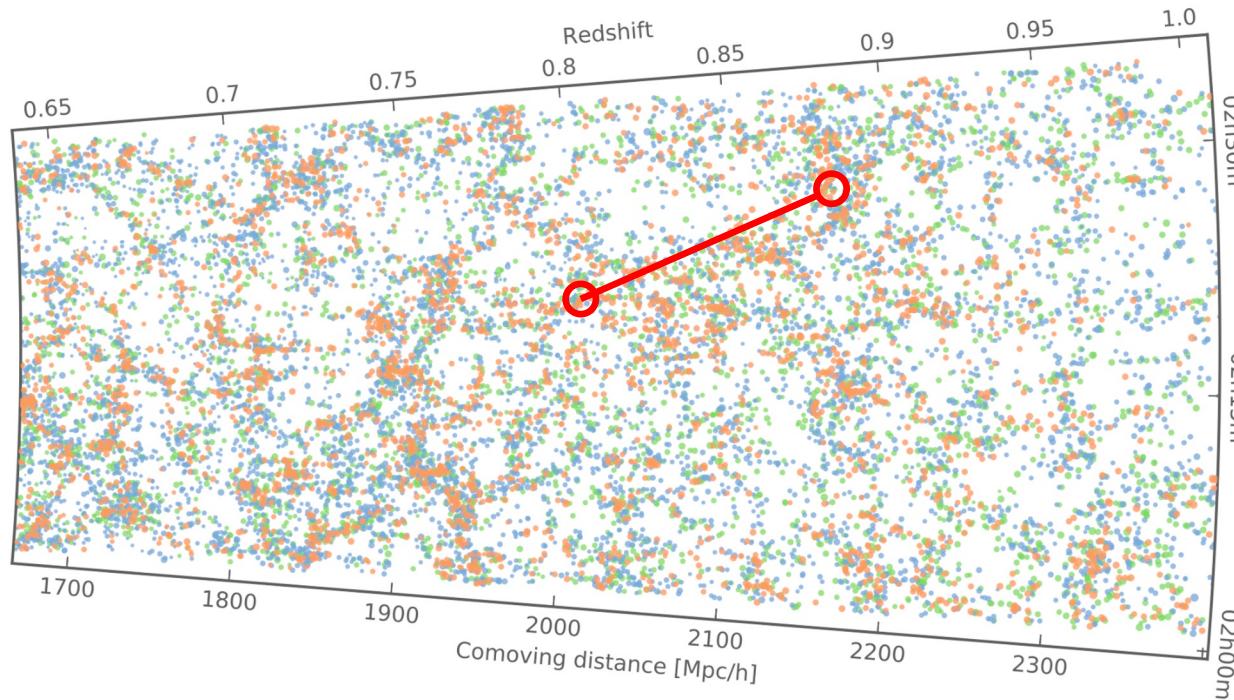
# The numbers of the Universe are encoded in its large-scale structure

- To reconstruct the large-scale structure of the Universe and measure cosmological parameters we build larger and larger 3D galaxy maps, through spectroscopic measurements of their distances ("*redshifts*")
- The ESA Euclid mission is the currently largest such endeavour: in 6 years it will measure redshifts for more than 30 million galaxies to unprecedented distances, over 1/3 of the sky



## Extracting cosmological parameters

- We extract the “numbers of the Universe” (as the density of dark matter  $\Omega_M$ , the equation of state of dark energy  $w$ , or the growth rate of cosmic structure  $f$ ), by measuring statistics of galaxy clustering and comparing them to model predictions
- This entails essentially extracting n-point correlation functions, with  $n=2, 3, \dots$  in real or Fourier space



Power spectrum: 2-point statistics in Fourier space



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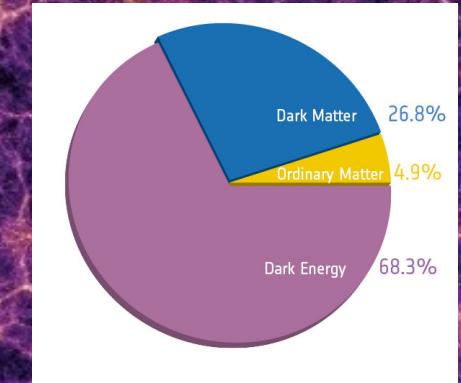
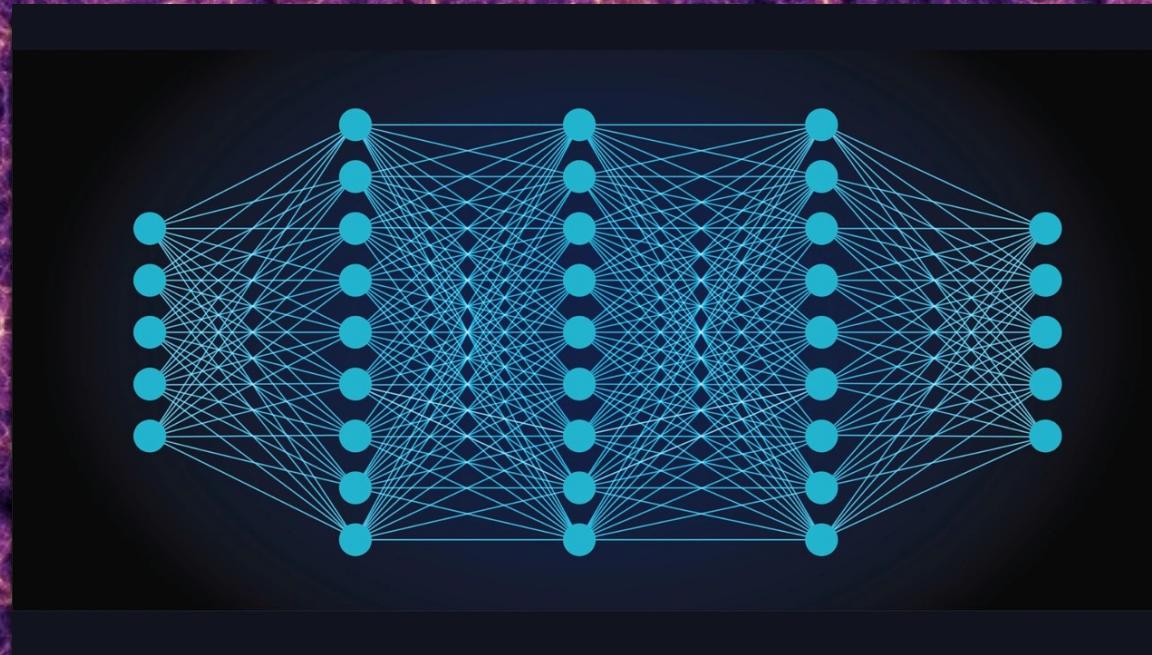
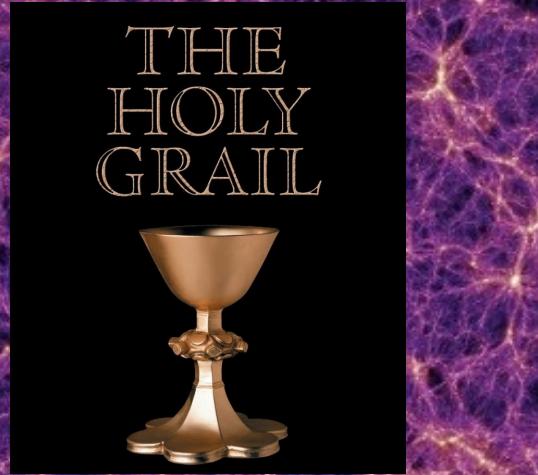
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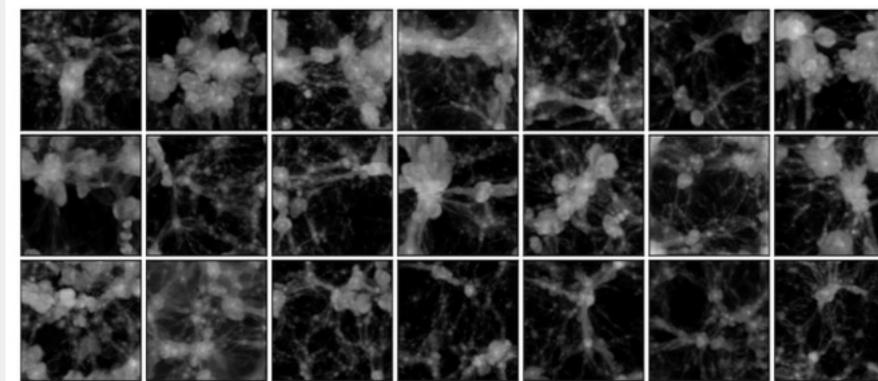
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**The holy grail: bypass expensive n-point functions (summary statistics) via trained Machine Learning algorithms that “read” the parameters directly from the galaxy field**

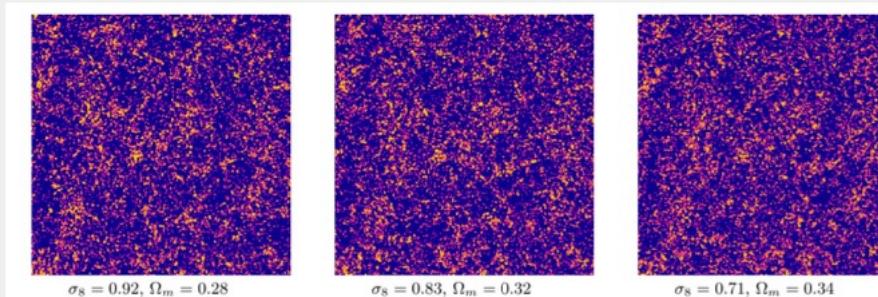


# 1) Early attempts on cosmological simulations, using CNNs

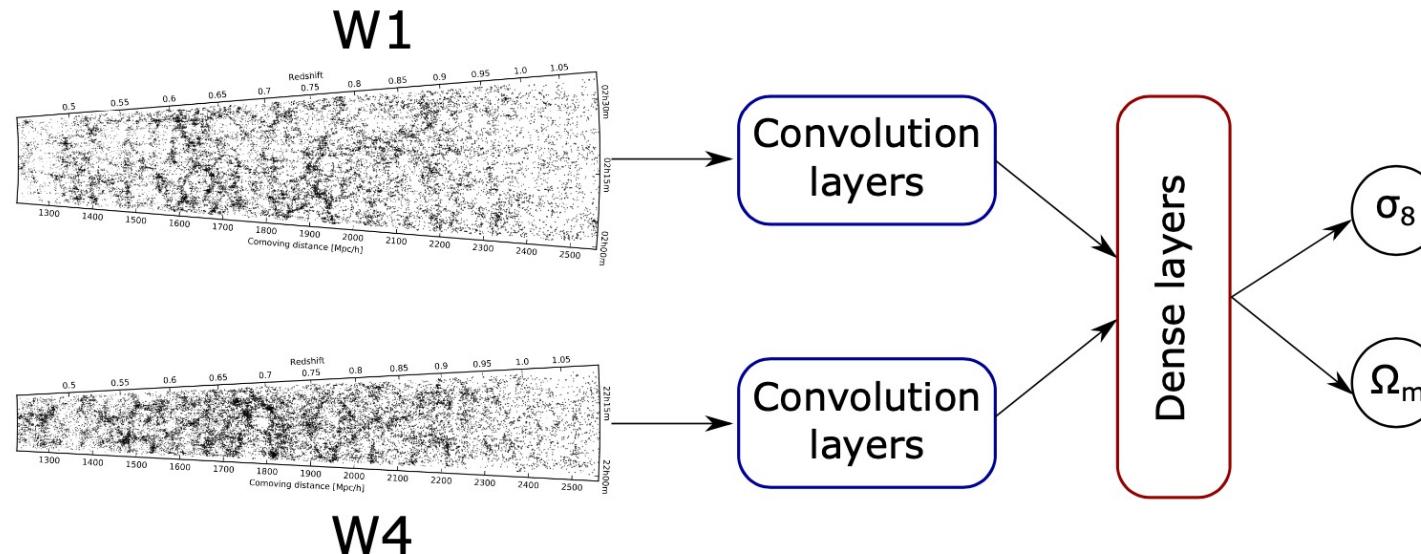
In Villaescusa-Navarro et al. (2021):



In Ntampaka et al. (2020):



## 2) Early attempts on real data (2D slices, using CNNs)



- The ambitious plan is a field-level analysis of VIPERS with a convolutional neural network.
- We use only observational information: the angular position and the redshift of the objects.

(M. Cagliari, PhD thesis, 2024)

# The fundamental problem for applications to real galaxy catalogues: WE HAVE NO TRAINING SAMPLES

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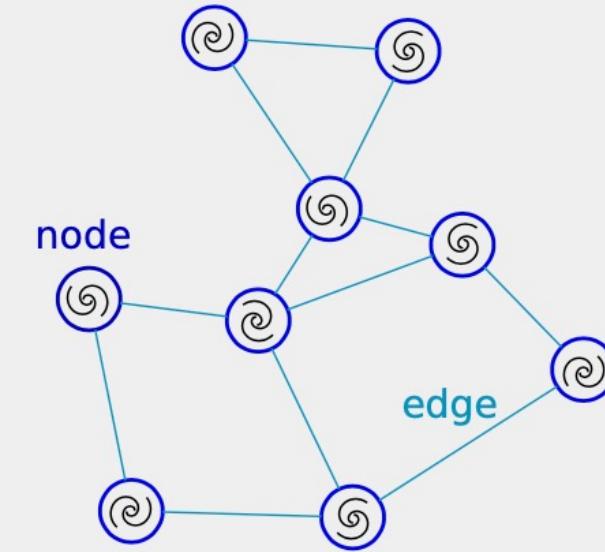


# MLS Technical Objectives, Methodologies and Solutions

## 1. Identify and optimise ML algorithms for cosmological inference:

- a. CNN applications to 2D samples?  
(drawing from M. Cagliari PhD thesis results)
- b. Graph Neural Networks (GNN) as descriptors of galaxy relationships  
(Tosone+ 2023)
- c. Physically Informed NNs in the cosmological context (no application so far)

- CNN are natural for simulation data
- GNN are natural for real galaxy data

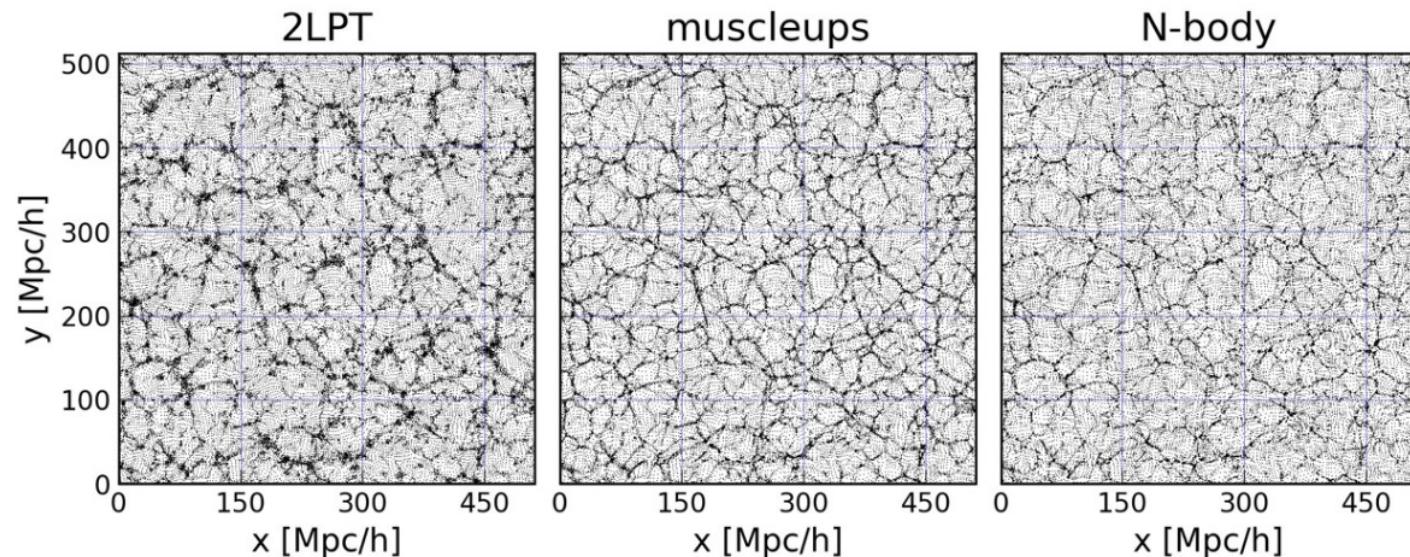


credit Marina Cagliari

## MLS Technical Objectives, Methodologies and Solutions

### 2. Build realistic training samples from numerical simulations:

- a. Build fast dark matter skeletons from perturbation theory surrogated simulations (Pinocchio, Monaco+ 2013; MUSCLE-UPS, Tosone+ 2022) vs full n-body
- b. "Illuminate" dark-matter haloes through realistic recipes (X-ray clusters, easier, and galaxies, more complicated), via physically informed NNs, to build next-generation training sets

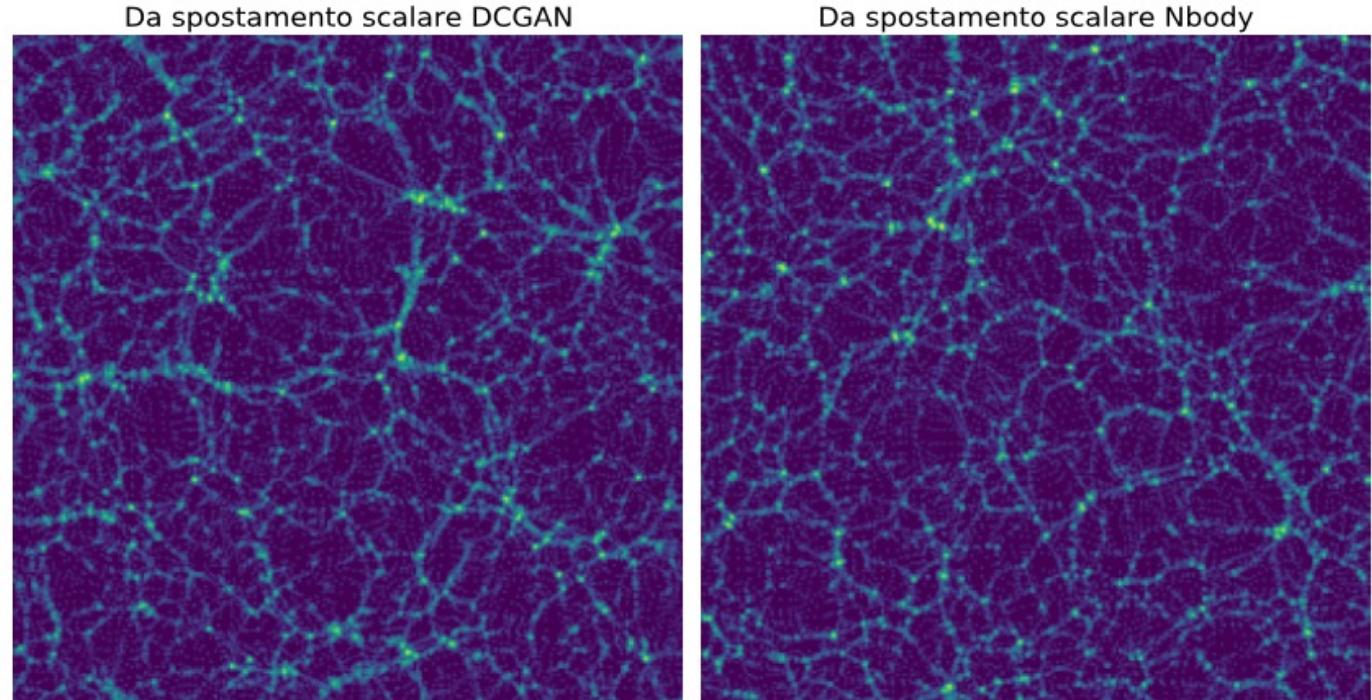


(Tosone+, 2021)

## MLS Technical Objectives, Methodologies and Solutions

### 2. Build realistic training samples from numerical simulations:

- Another option to build fast “dark matter skeletons” : replicate n-body outputs via ML
- “ML helps ML”



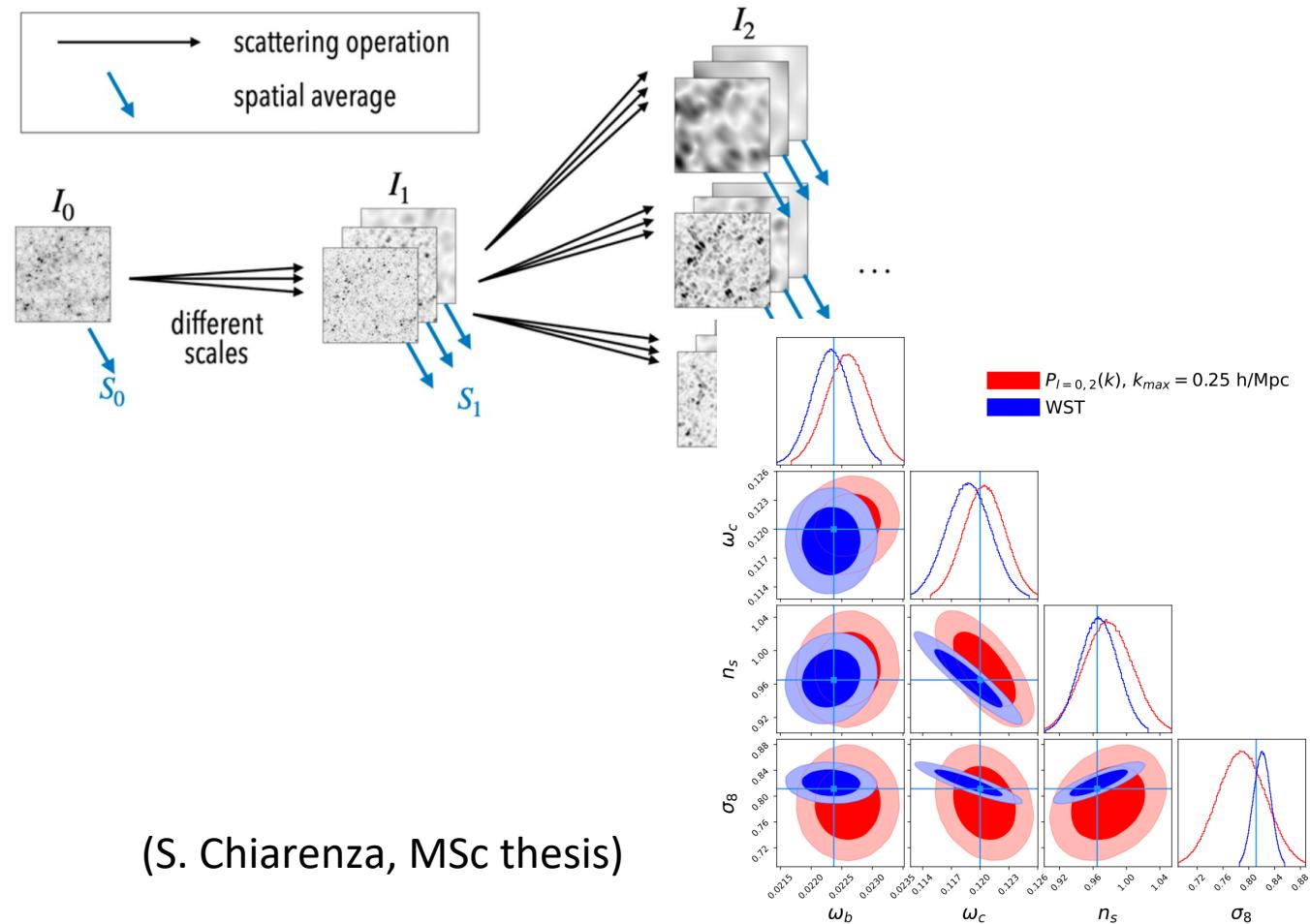
Emulate Lagrangian displacement field against N-body output  
Use **CNN-UNET** (Sofia Chiarenza BSc. thesis) or Gen. Adversarial Networks (**GAN**, Marco Chiarenza Bs.c thesis)



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### 3. Compare with non-ML field-level parameter estimations techniques

- a. E.g., Wavelet Scattering Transform and other techniques to capture higher-order information via filtering/weighting of the galaxy field



(S. Chiarenza, MSc thesis)

# MLS : involved Staff and new recruitments

## STAFF:

- **Luigi Guzzo (PO), Università di Milano** (expertise: cosmological observations and modelling, Euclid)
- **Davide Maino (PA), Università di Milano** (expertise: cosmological observations and theory, Euclid)

## RECRUITED THROUGH MLS:

- **1-year RTD contract starting October 1st** (Davide Bianchi, – expertise: large galaxy surveys, statistical analysis of clustering)

## EXTERNAL CONSULTANT SUPPORTED BY MLS:

- **Fondazione Clement Fillietroz - ONLUS, Osservatorio Astronomico della Regione Autonoma Valle d'Aosta** (expertise: cosmological simulations, Machine Learning applications in astrophysics and genomics)

# MLS: timescale, Milestones, SAL

WP	Titolo	SAL 1			SAL 2			SAL 3			SAL FINALE		
		T1		M3	T2		M6	T3		M9	T4		M12
1	Metodi ML per applicazioni cosmologiche												
2	Costruzione di mock training samples sintetici realistici												
3	Inferenza Cosmologica												
	MILESTONES			MS1			MS2			MS3			MS4

**MS1: Identificazione dati e algoritmi.** Definizione della tipologia di dati (galassie, ammassi) e delle simulazioni (N-Body / LPT) ; confronto e identificazione algoritmi

**MS2: Rilascio algoritmo specifico.** Completamento architettura e definizione dell'algoritmo «physically aware». ottimizzato sui dati selezionati alla MS1

**MS3: Rilascio set cataloghi sintetici di «galassie» per training costruito dalle simulazioni.** Dataset completo su cui addestrare il modello di ML/DL generato a MS2.

**MS4: Applicazione e validazione dei risultati cosmologici.** Applicazione a «test case» dell'algoritmo e confronto parametri cosmologici con output metodi tradizionali e altri metodi field-level (es. WST).