

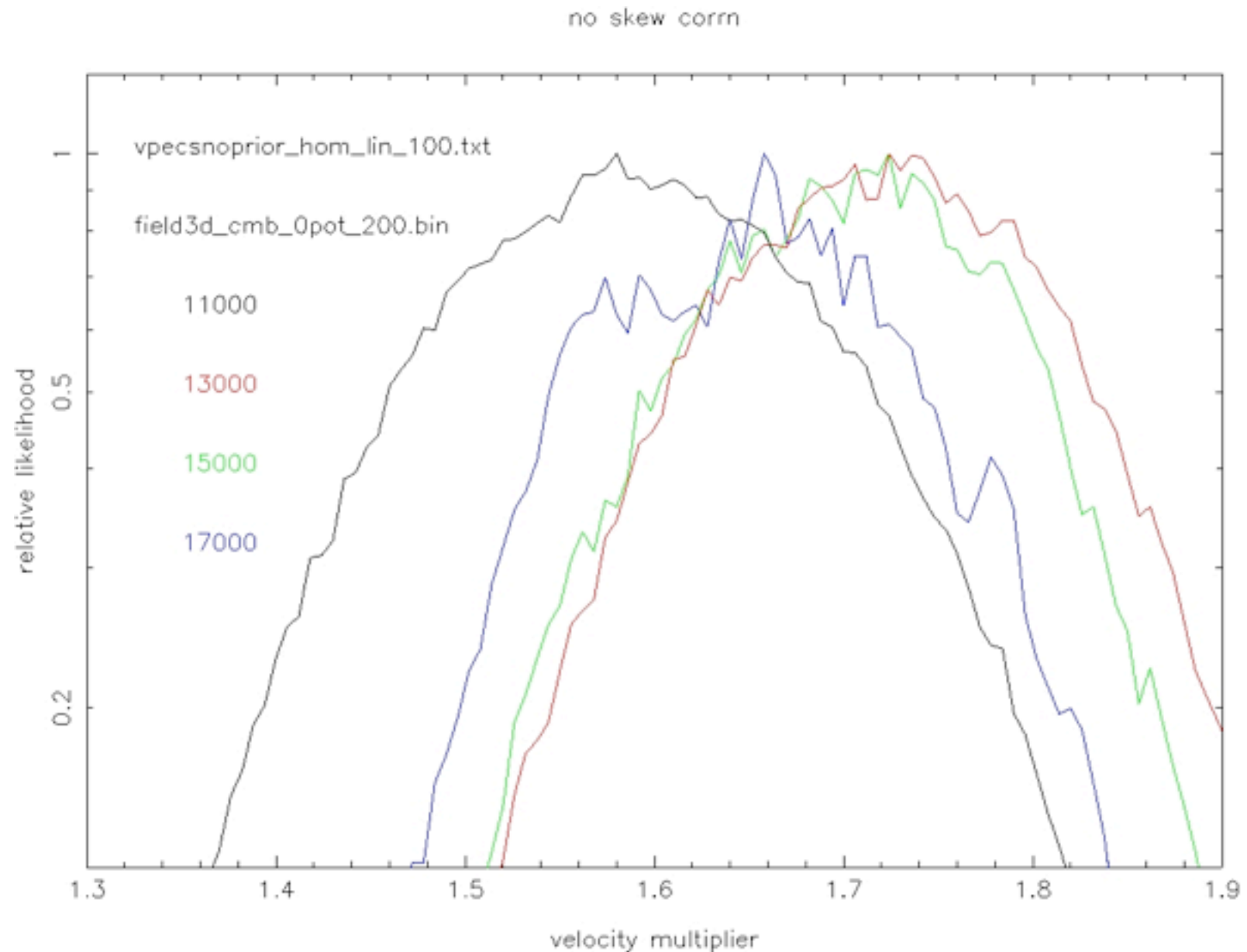
Cosmic Flows in the Rainforest

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Comparing observed and reconstruction velocities

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6dF Magoulas fundamental plane and Erdogdu reconstructed peculiar velocities



Density $\Omega = \Omega_m$

- In linear theory $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = -\delta\rho/\rho f(\Omega)H_0$
- Erdogdu assumed $f(\Omega) = \Omega^{0.6}/b = 0.4$
- Our fit to 6dF gives $f(\Omega) = 0.64$
- This gives $b = 1.1$ for WMAP7 matter density
- Lavaux et al. found $\Omega = 0.31 \pm 0.05$ with $b = 1$
 - [astro-ph 0810.3658](#)
- Good agreement

Caveats

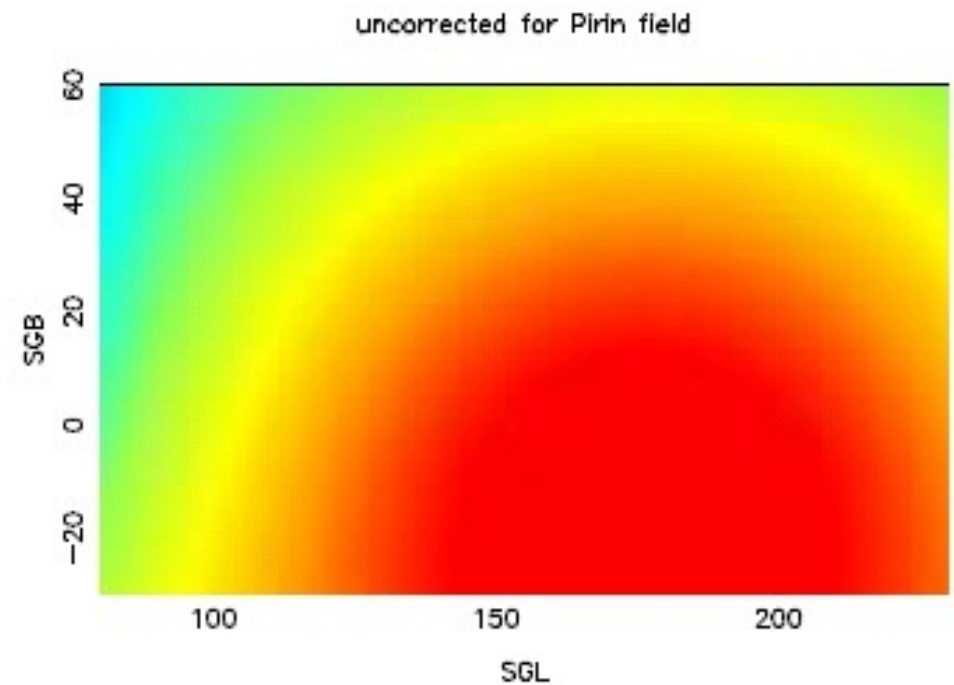
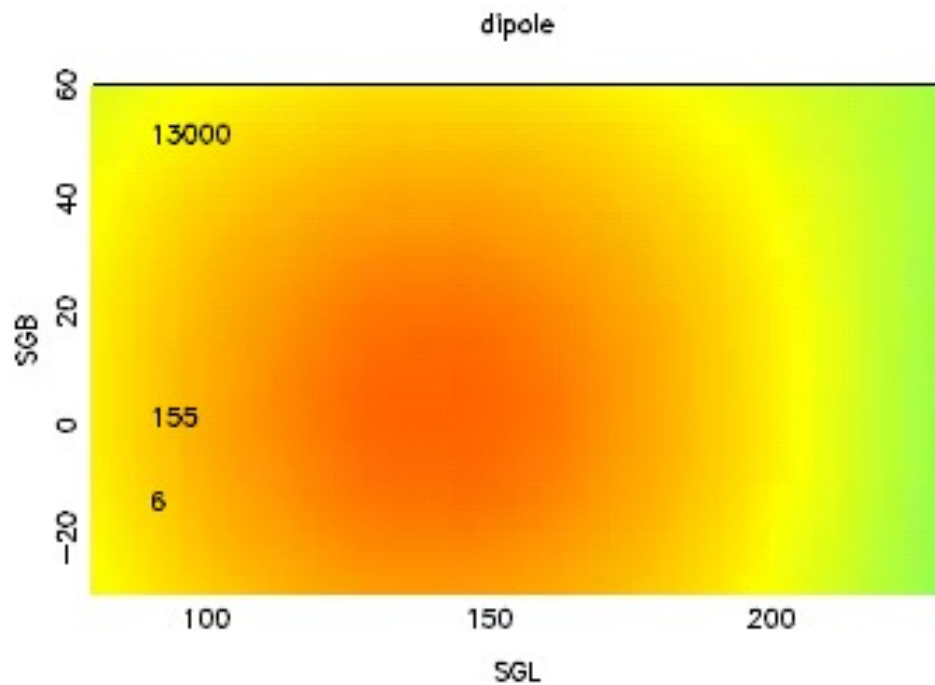
- Mocks still need to be run to determine what is the appropriate cutoff redshift and selection effects
- Model overdensity of 0.08 within 200 Mpc ?
 - this affects velocities at 100 Mpc by 100 km/s
- 6dF is southern hemisphere only
- Random error is ~ 0.1 in $\Omega^{0.6}$

Future Work: FP & TF



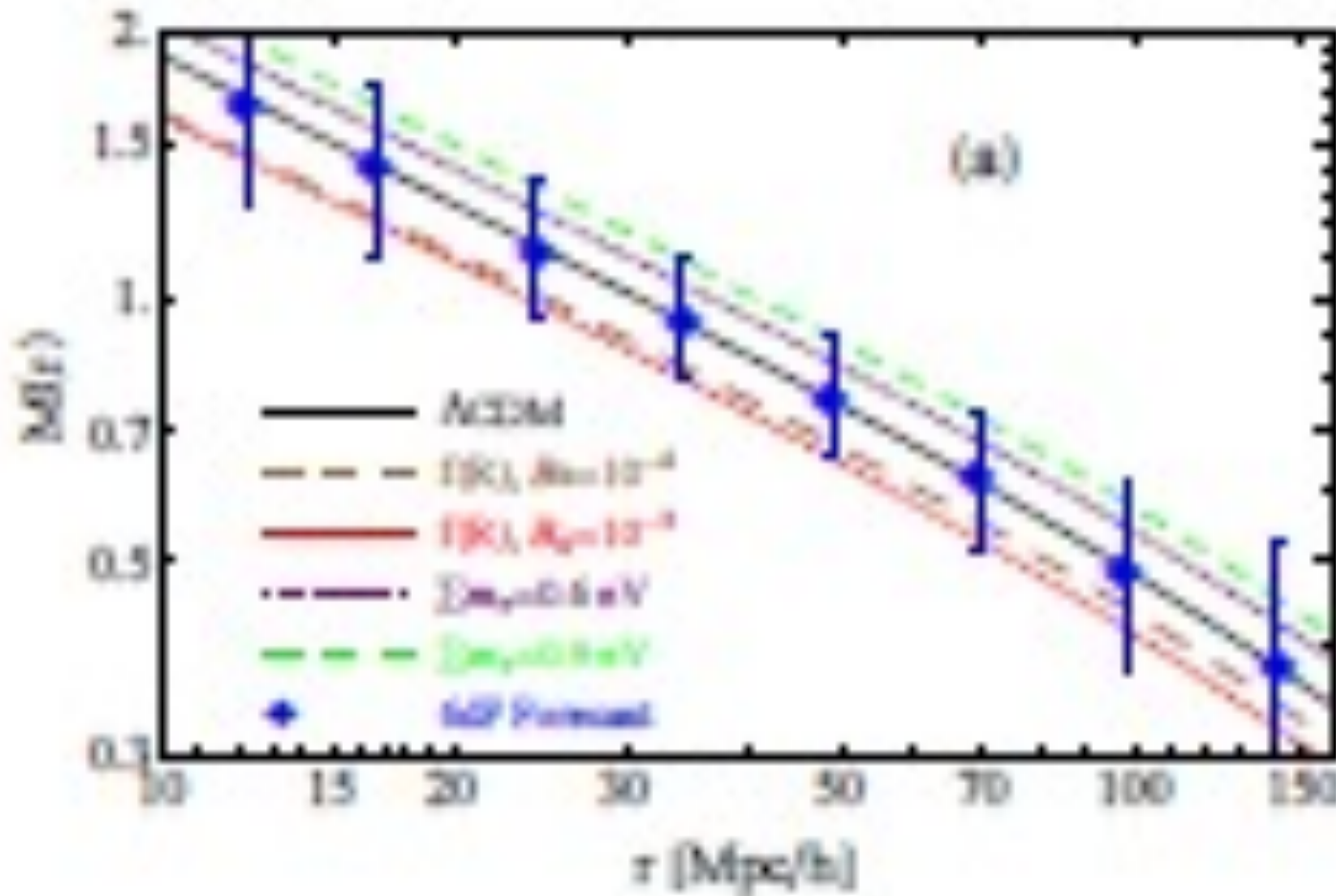
- Add SDSS data (Graves) to cover π sr of the northern hemisphere (NH)
- Enlarge the reconstruction
 - improve the incompleteness correction,
 - peculiar velocities key to improving redshift distances
- Extend the SH sample volume, using ASKAP and SkyMapper (Lagattuta)
- Extend the NH sample volume, using WNSHS and PanSTARRS
- Improve Tully-Fisher relation $v = (\sigma^4 + \Delta V^4)^{1/4}$

Dipole is reduced by correction for the individual peculiar velocities predicted by Erdogdu



Cosmic Mach Number

Ma, Ostriker, Zhao 2011



$$M = v / \sigma$$

