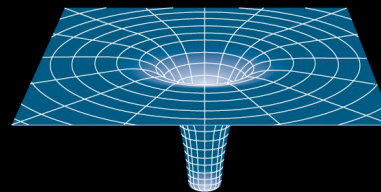
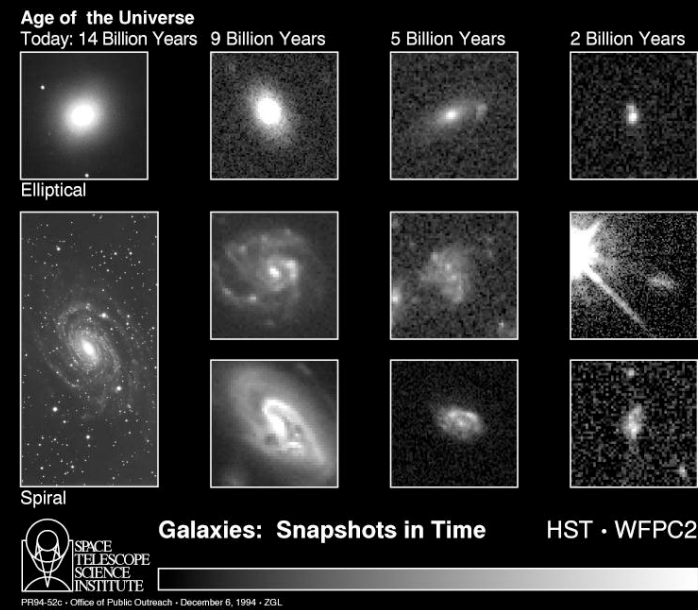


# Supermassive black holes and their hosts

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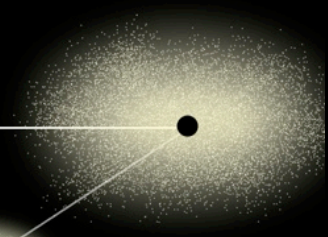
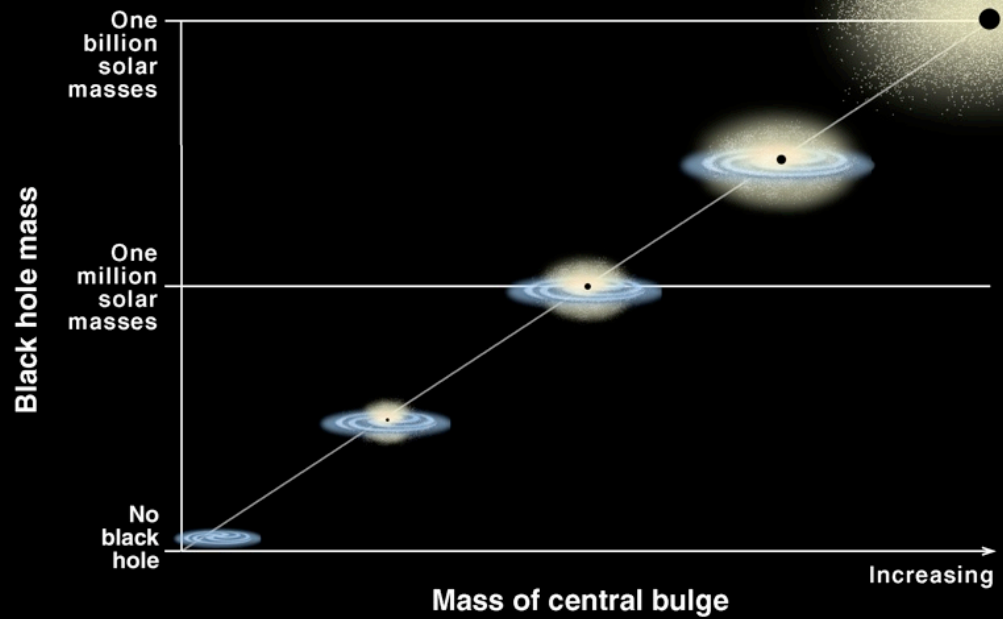
- SMBHs: census and scaling relations
- Evolution of the SMBH population\*
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\* with  $\ll$  20 free parameters!

# $M_{\text{BH}}$ - host relationships : co- evolution of SMBHs and galaxies

SMBHs  
↕  
stellar bulges host  
↕  
DM halos (???)

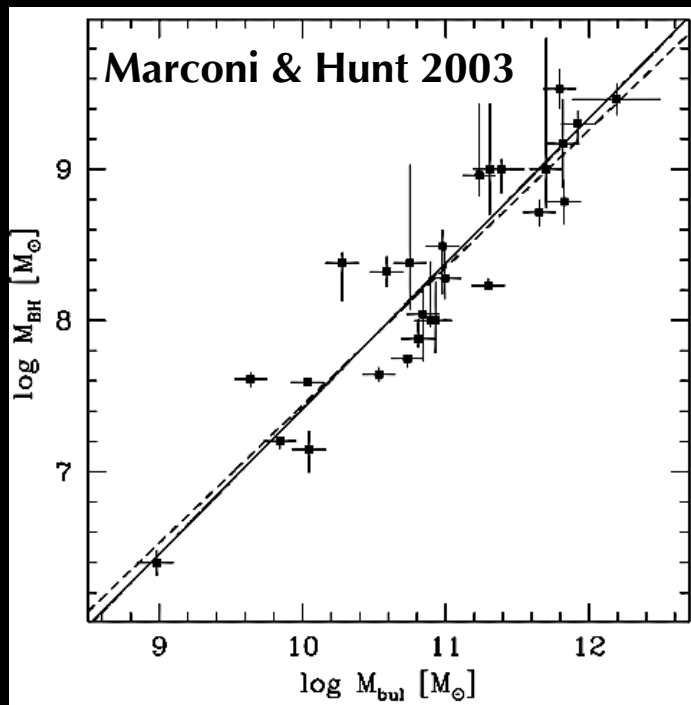
Correlation Between Black Hole Mass and Bulge Mass



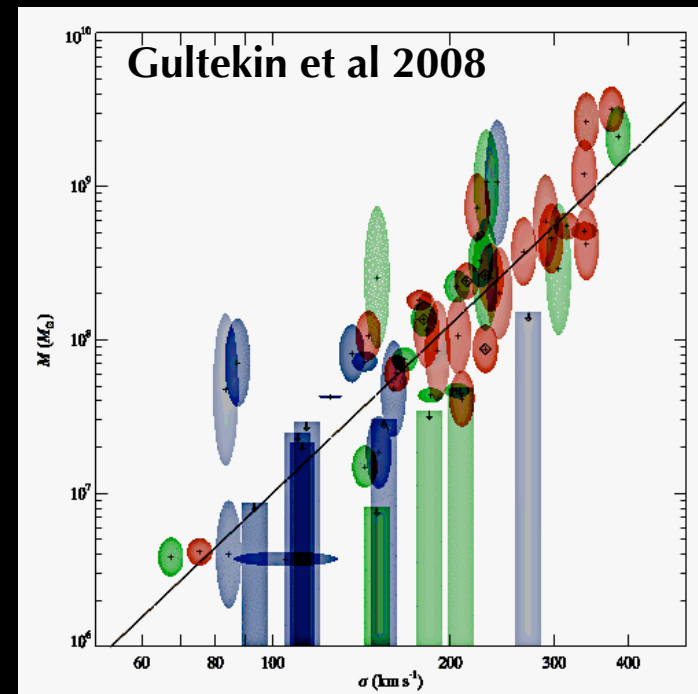
# SMBHs: census and scaling relations

## Quiescent SMBHs

BH mass  $\rightarrow$  spheroid mass/  
velocity dispersion



spheroid mass



velocity dispersion

BH mass

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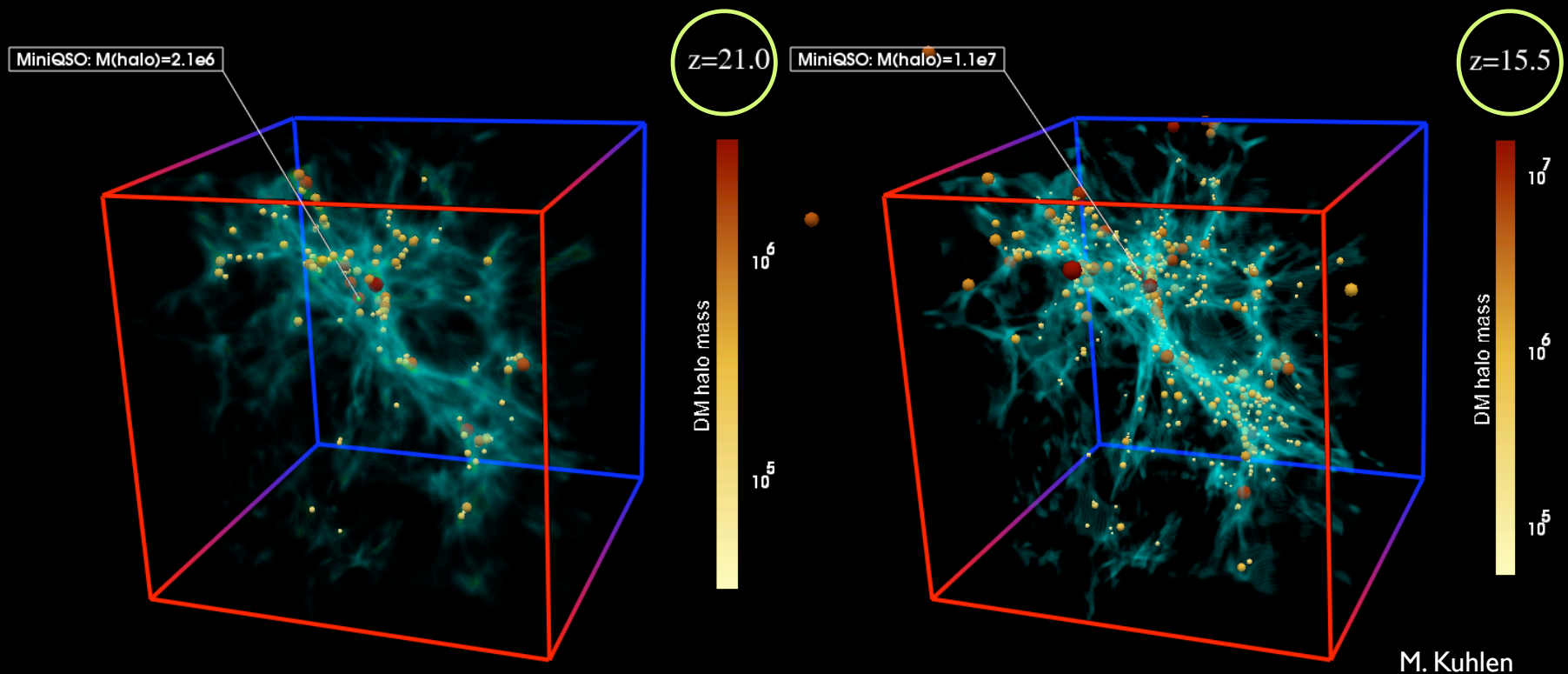
WHEN

do you make a (super)massive  
black hole?

The highest redshift quasar currently known  
SDSS J148+3251 at  $z=6.4$   
has estimates of the SMBH mass  $M_{\text{BH}}=2-6 \times 10^9 M_{\text{sun}}$   
(Willott et al 2003, Barth et al 2003)

AS LARGE AS THE LARGEST SMBHs SEEN TODAY, BUT WHEN THE UNIVERSE  
WAS 1 Gyr OLD

# Stepping back in time: when did the MBH evolution start?



Hierarchical Galaxy Formation:  
biased MBH formation

# HOW can you make a massive black hole seed?

$$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 100\text{-}600 M_{\text{sun}}$$

## PopIII stars remnants

(Madau & Rees 2001,  
Volonteri, Haardt & Madau 2003)

- ✓ Simulations suggest that the first stars are massive  $M \sim 100\text{-}600 M_{\text{sun}}$   
(Abel et al., Bromm et al.)

- ✓ Metal free dying stars with  $M > 260 M_{\text{sun}}$  leave remnant BHs with  $M_{\text{seed}} \geq 100 M_{\text{sun}}$   
(Fryer, Woosley & Heger)

$$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^3\text{-}10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$$

## Viscous transport

(e.g. Haehnelt & Rees 1993, Eisenstein & Loeb 1995,  
Bromm & Loeb 2003, Koushiappas et al. 2004)

- ✓ Efficient viscous angular momentum transport + efficient gas confinement

## Bar-unstable self-gravitating gas

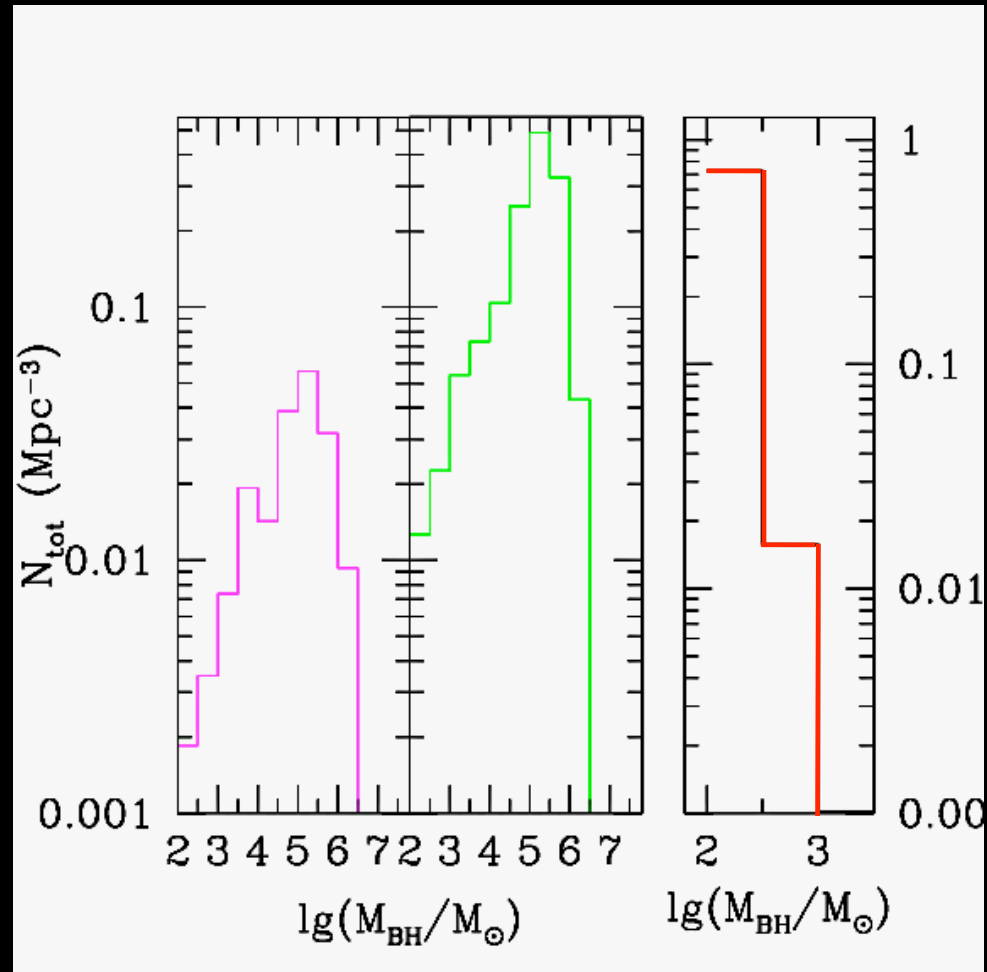
(Begelman, Volonteri & Rees 2006)

- ✓ Transport angular momentum on the dynamical timescale, process cascades



# Mass function of seed MBHs

(Volonteri, Lodato & Natarajan 2007)



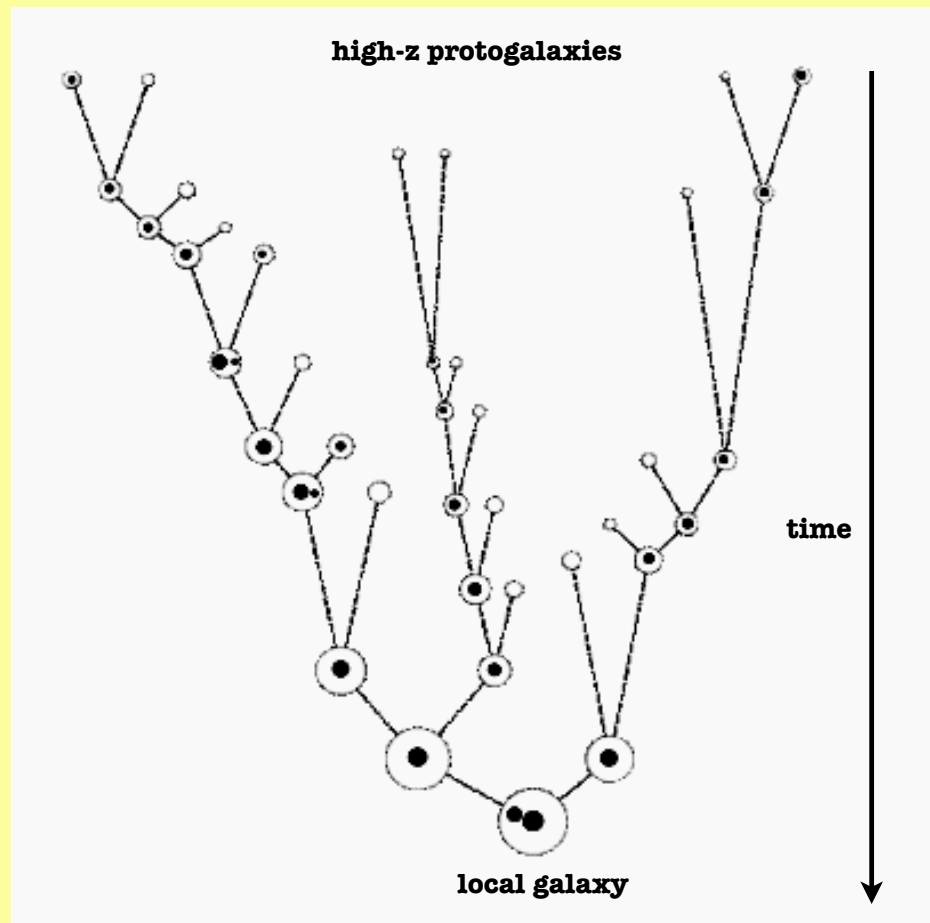
Direct collapse-  
low efficiency

Direct collapse-  
high efficiency

PopIII remnants

**SMBHS are grown from **seed** pregalactic BHs. These seeds are incorporated into larger and larger halos, **accreting gas** and **dynamically interacting** after **mergers**.**

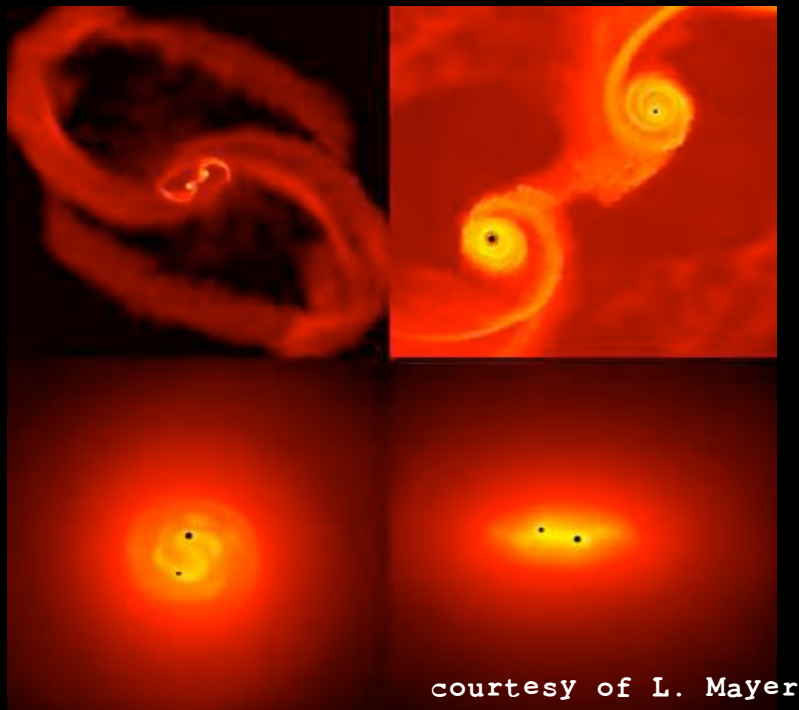
Volonteri, Haardt & Madau 2003



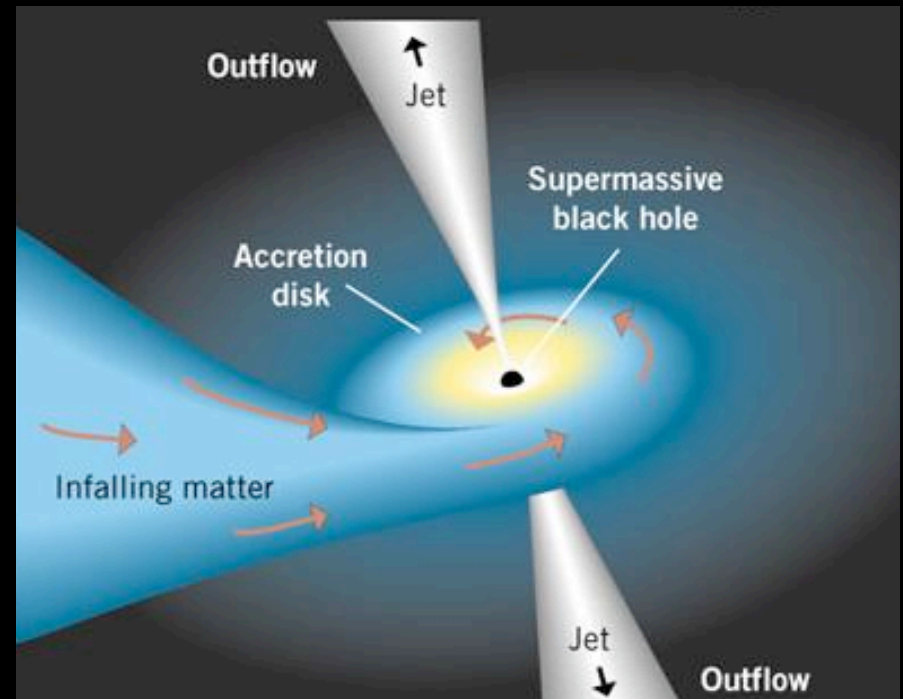
The seeds at  $z > 20$  are small,  $\sim 100 - 10^4 M_{\text{sun}}$

How do MBH seeds grow to become supermassive?

**BH-BH mergers vs gas accretion**



**Total mass density in MBHs is almost constant in time: just reshuffle the mass function**



**Total mass density in MBHs grows with time**

# Evolution of MBHs

## Mass evolution:

- @  $z < 3-5$  Soltan's argument  $\rightarrow$  accretion leads

$$\rho_{\text{qso}(0)} = 2 \div 4 \times 10^5 [0.1(1-\epsilon)/\epsilon] M_{\text{sun}} \text{Mpc}^{-3}$$

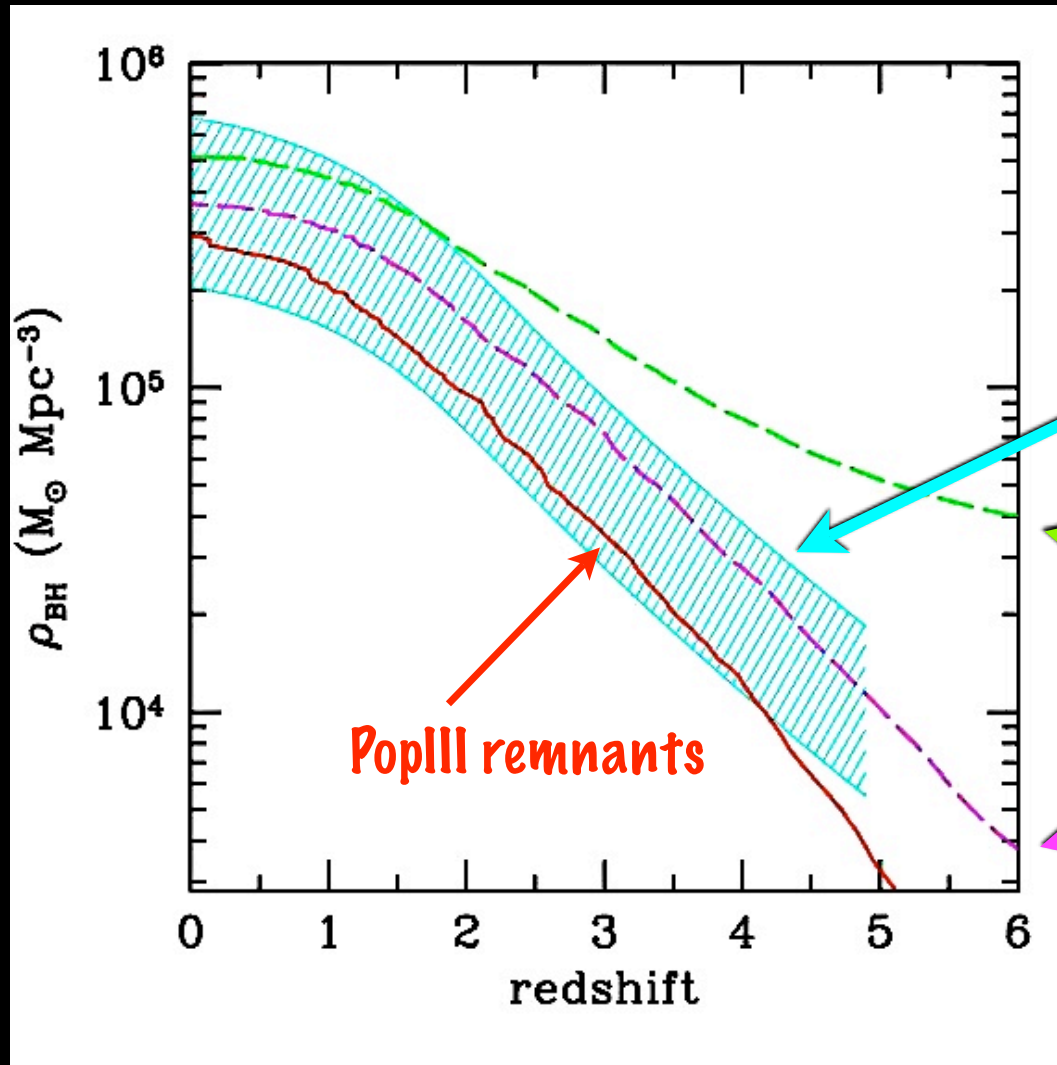
$$\rho_{\text{SMBH}} = 2.5 \div 4.5 \times 10^5 M_{\text{sun}} \text{Mpc}^{-3}$$

Yu & Tremaine 2002, Elvis et al 2002, Merloni et al 2004

- no clues at higher  $z$

# Evolution of MBHs\*

(Volonteri, Lodato & Natarajan 2007)



Soltan's argument  
LF from Ueda et al 2004

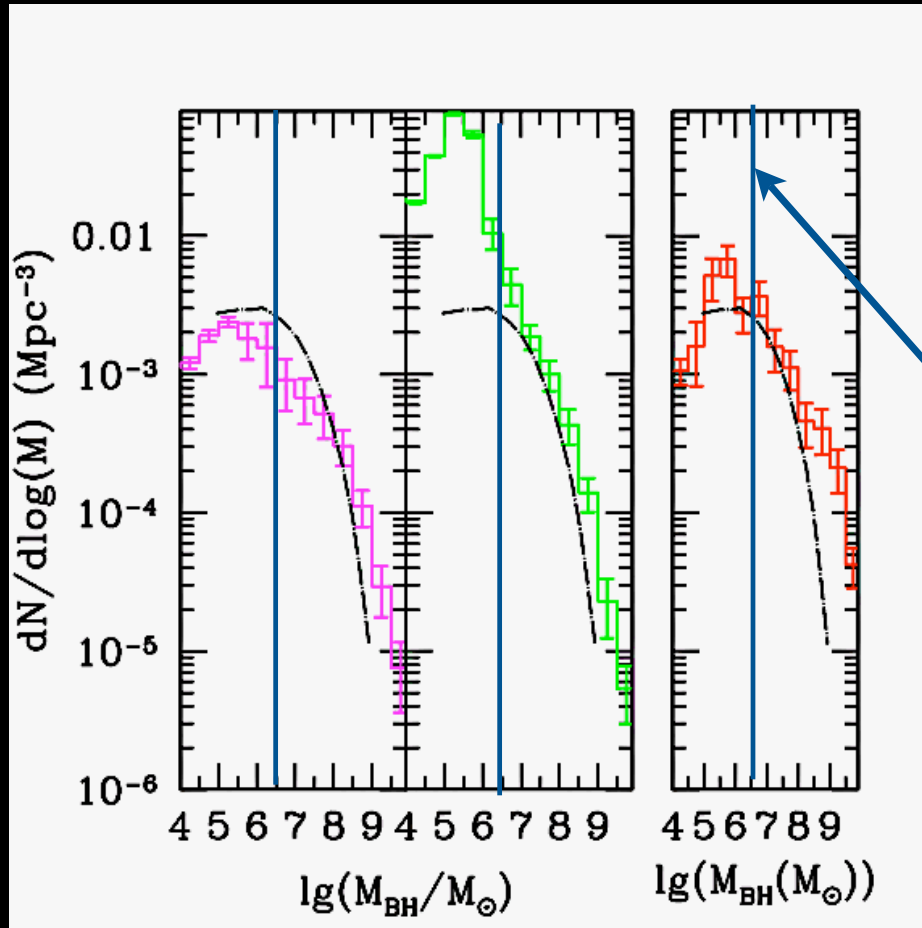
Direct collapse-  
high efficiency

Direct collapse-  
low efficiency

\* with 5 free parameters

# Mass function of MBHs @ z=0

(Volonteri, Lodato & Natarajan 2007)



Observations (Greene & Ho 2007)

Note: the INACTIVE BHs mass function is an extrapolation at  $M < 3 \times 10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$

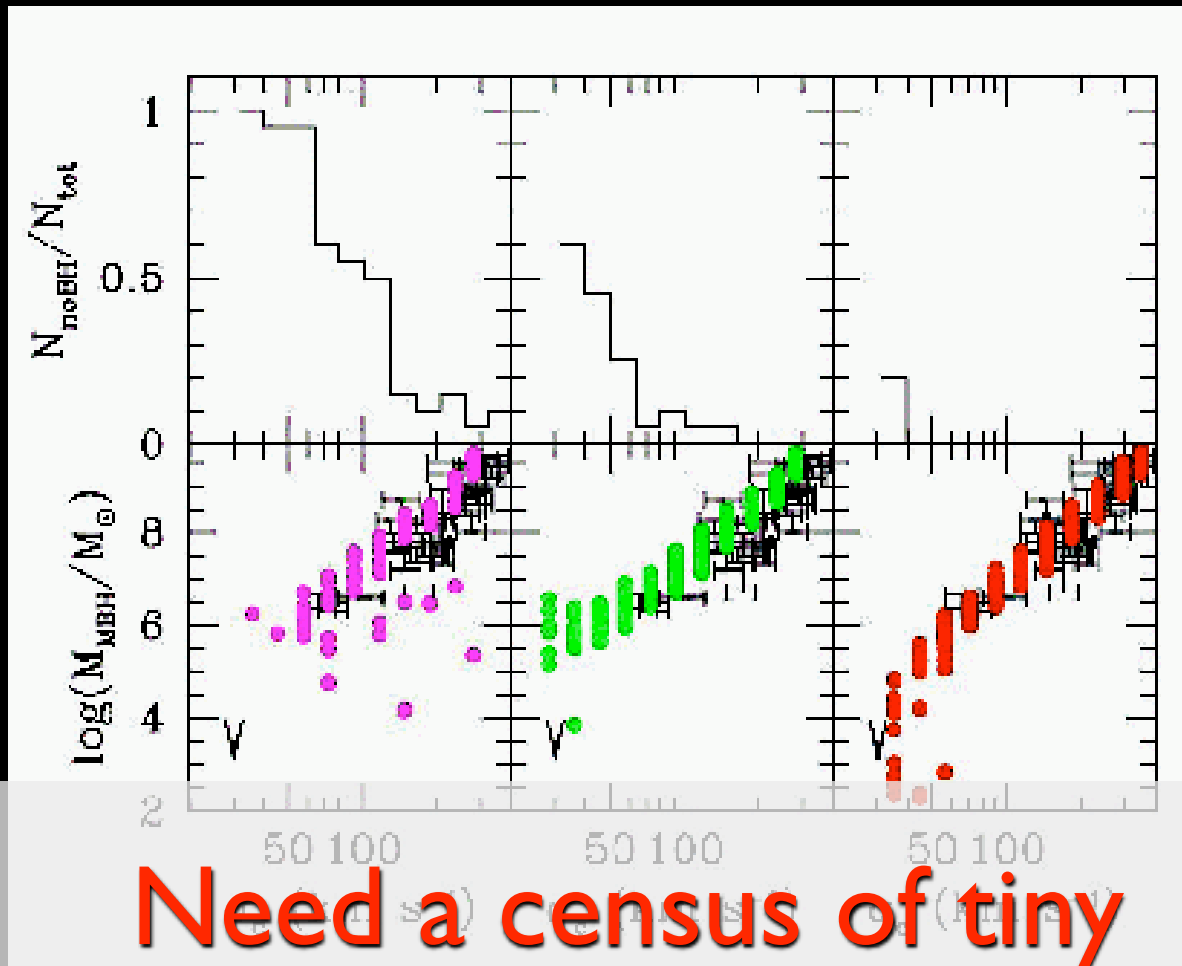
Direct collapse-  
low efficiency

Direct collapse-  
high efficiency

PopIII remnants

# Occupation fraction and $M_{\text{BH}}-\sigma$ @ $z=0$

(Volonteri, Lodato & Natarajan 2007)



**Need a census of tiny black holes!!!**

Direct collapse  
low efficiency

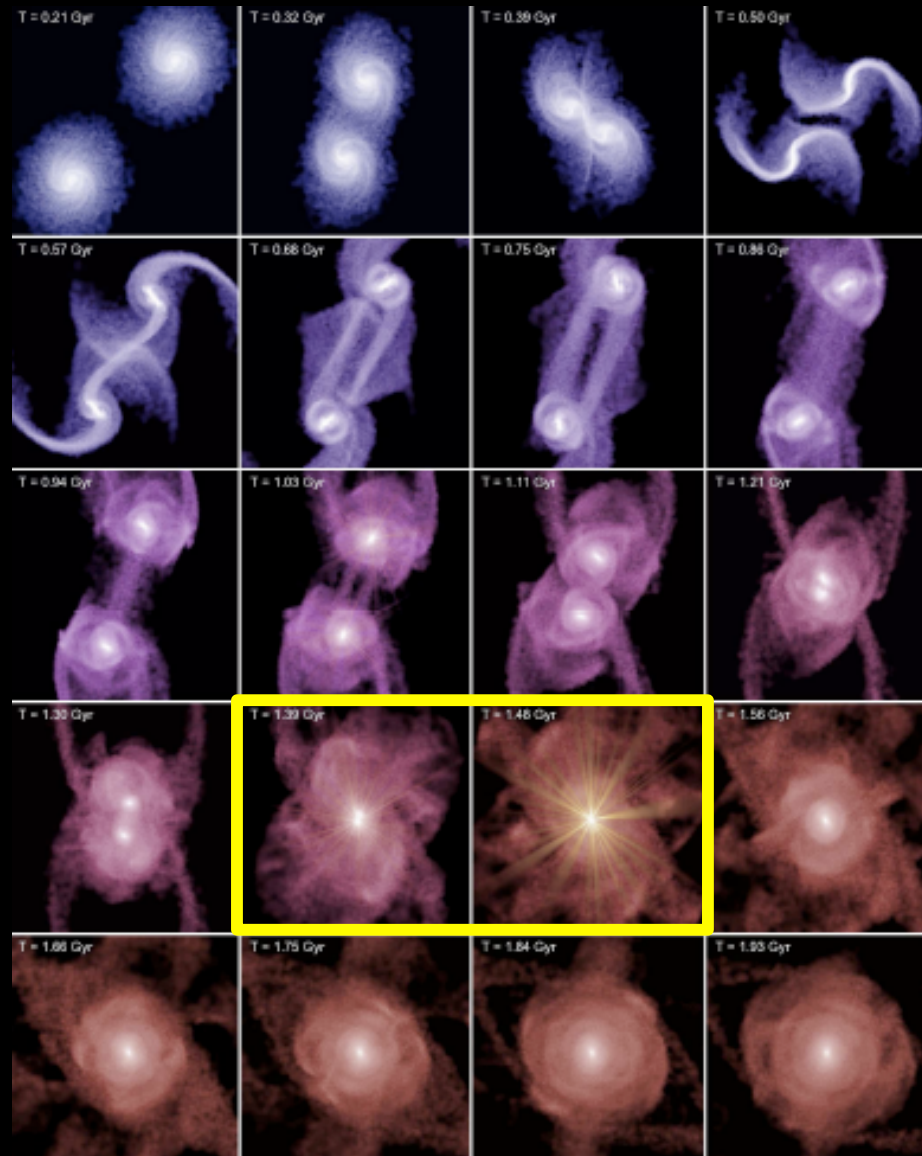
Direct collapse  
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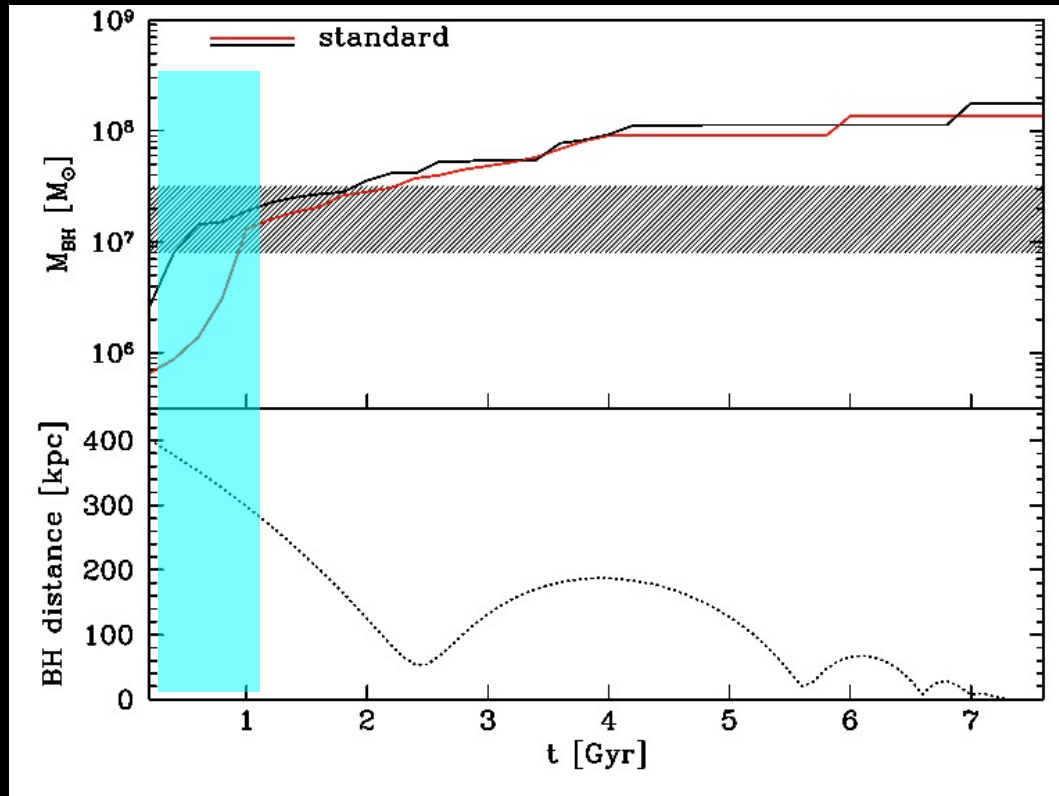
# Merger driven accretion



di Matteo, Hopkins

# Merger driven accretion

courtesy of  
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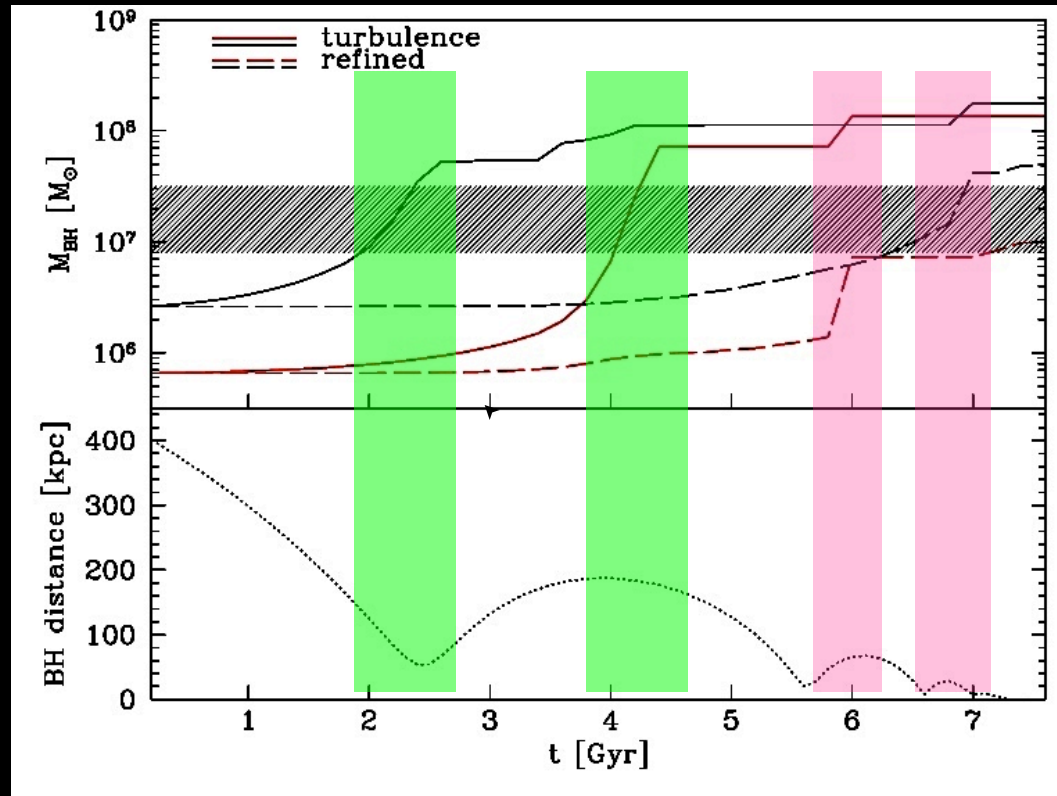


-“Standard” numerical Bondi-Hoyle accretion

-No feedback

# Merger driven accretion

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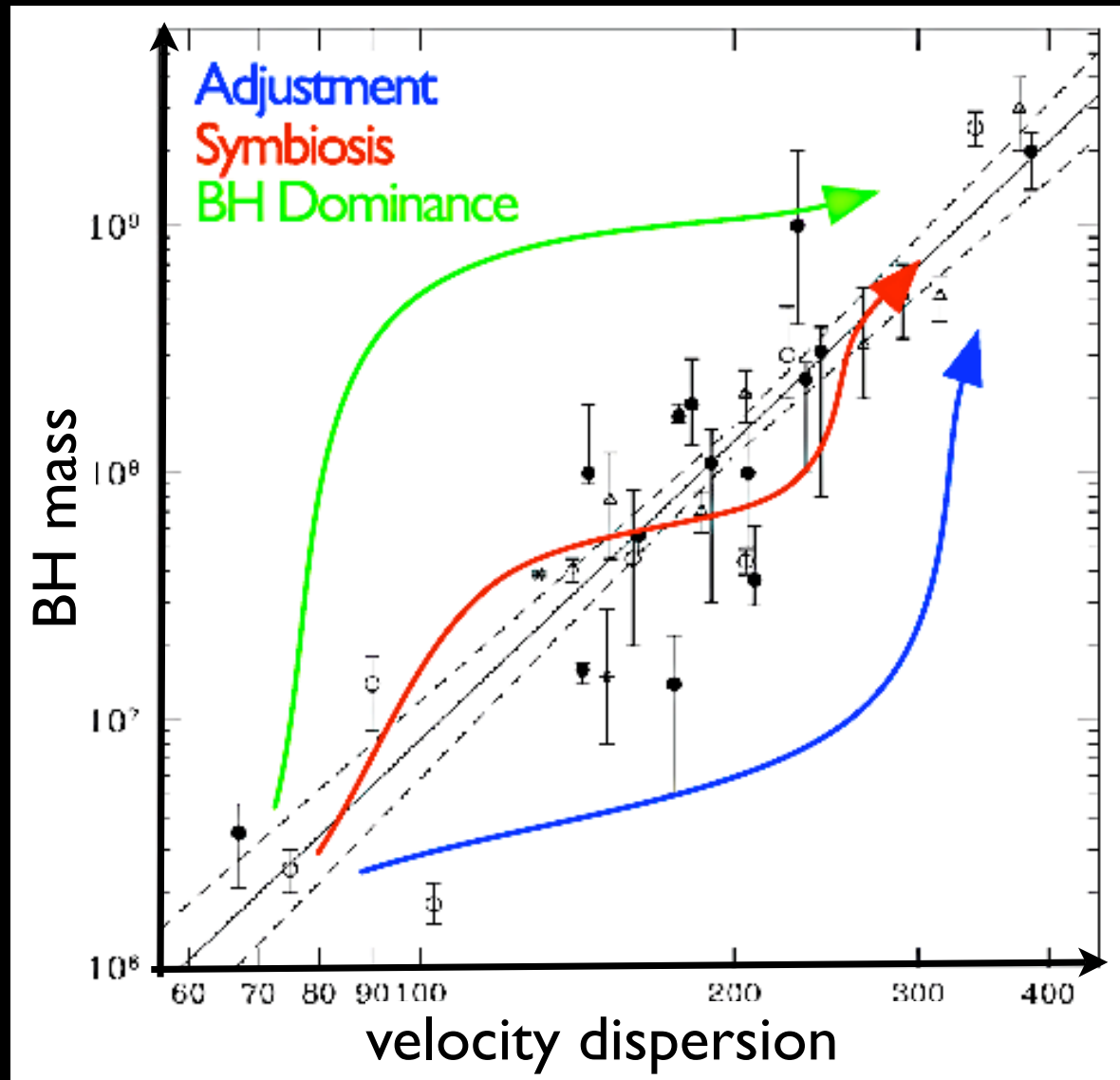


High  
resolution  
simulations:  
 $M-\sigma$   
without  
feedback

- turbulent motions
- extrapolation from the refined simulation

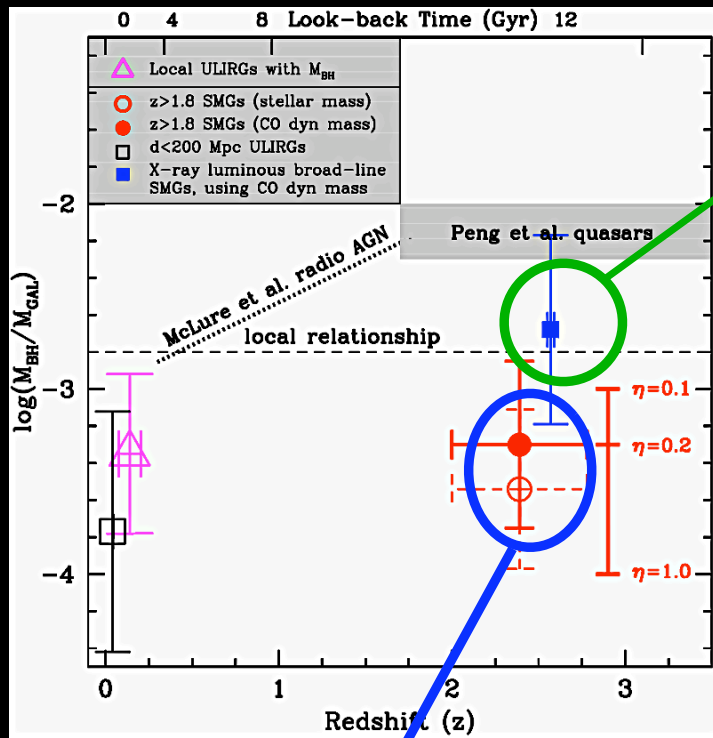
→ M. Dotti's talk

# Merger driven accretion



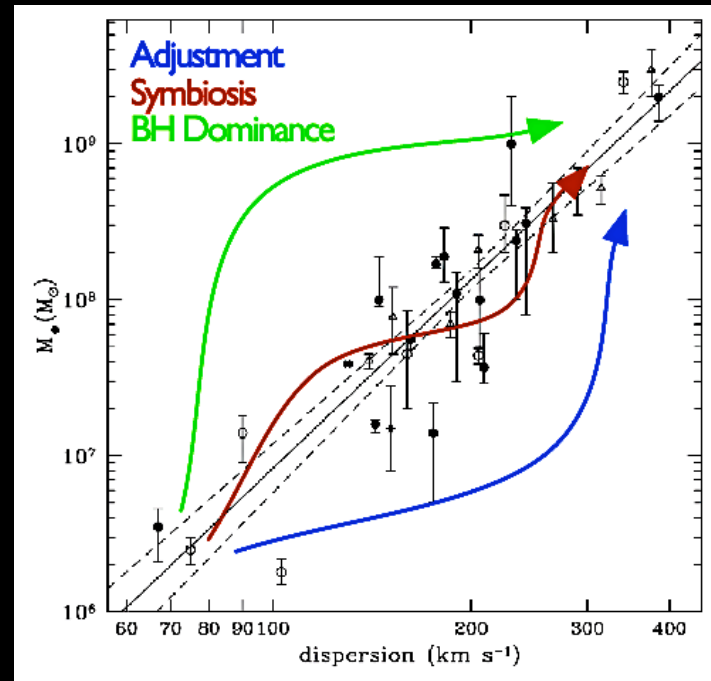
Colpi et  
al. 2007

# $M_{\text{BH}}$ - hosts at high- $z$



QSOs: galaxy growth lags the MBH growth: dominance

SCUBA galaxies:  
MBH growth lags the stellar  
growth: adjustment



- MBH formation: determines **where** MBHs are now
- accretion & feedback: determine **how big** MBHs are now
- scaling relations: help to **disentangle** the effects of accretion vs feedback vs galaxy growth