

# Measuring the masses of galaxy groups and clusters using galaxies

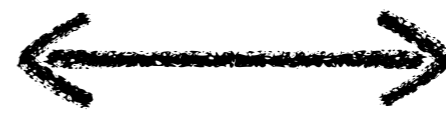
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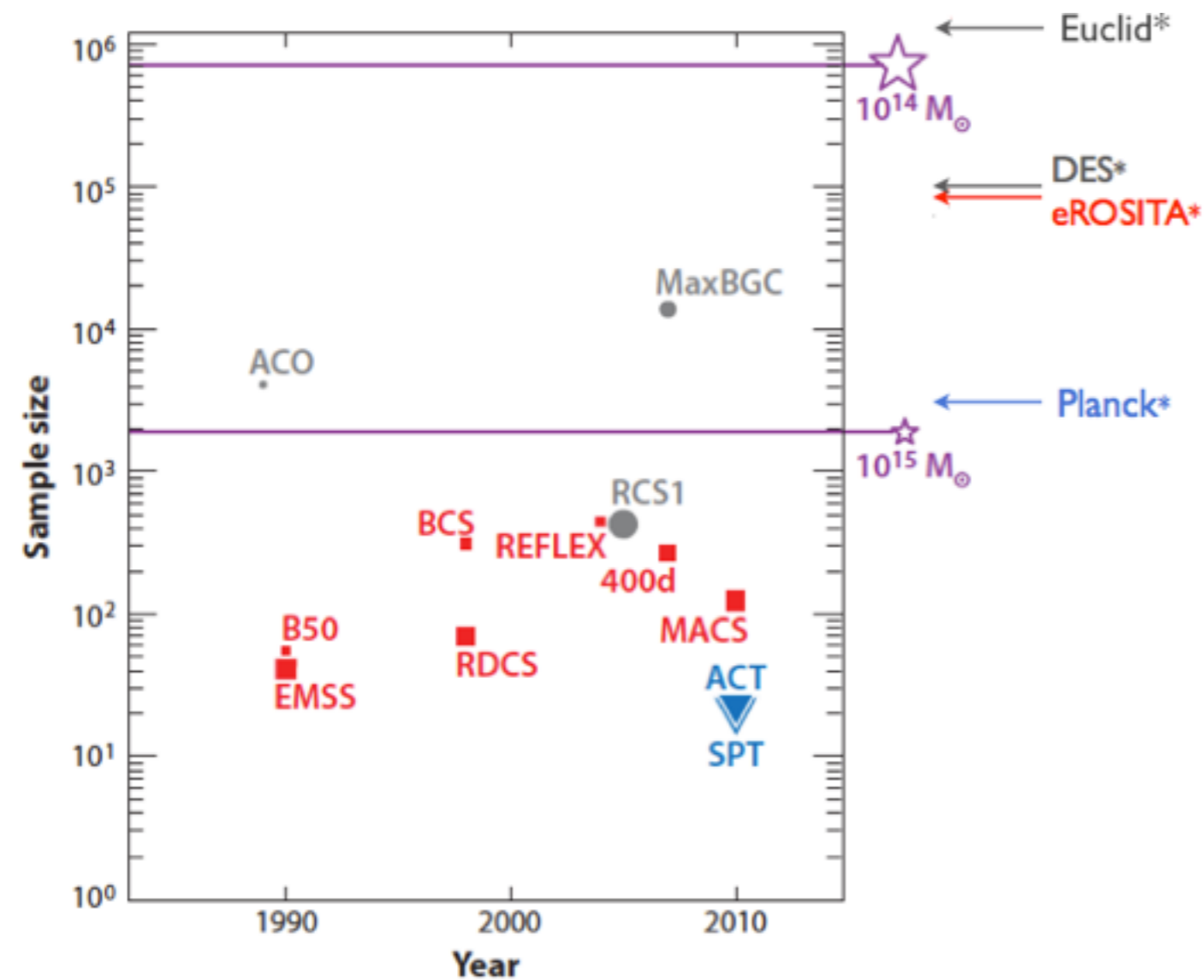
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Modern cluster (cosmology) surveys



Adapted from Allen et. al., 2011

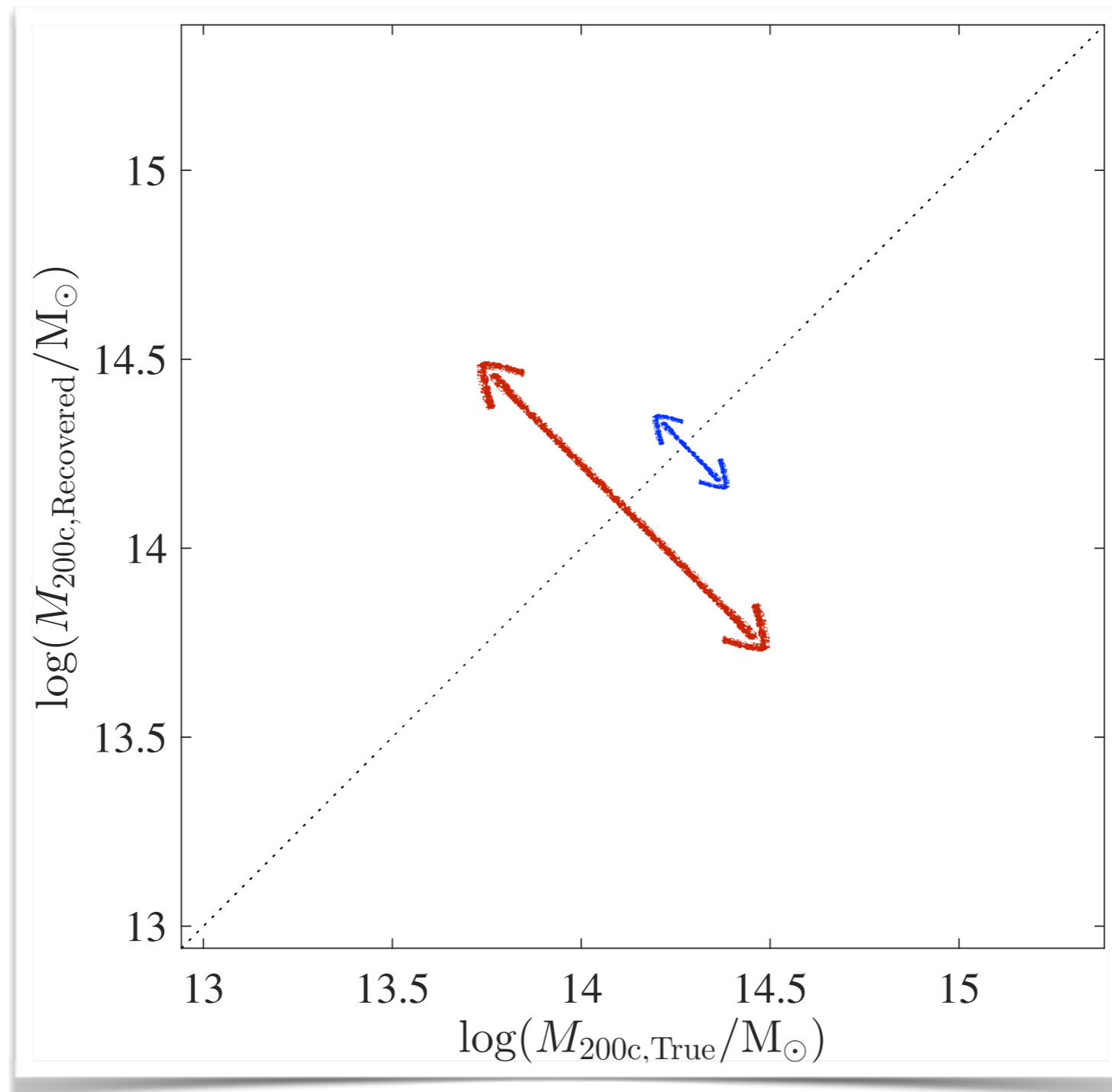
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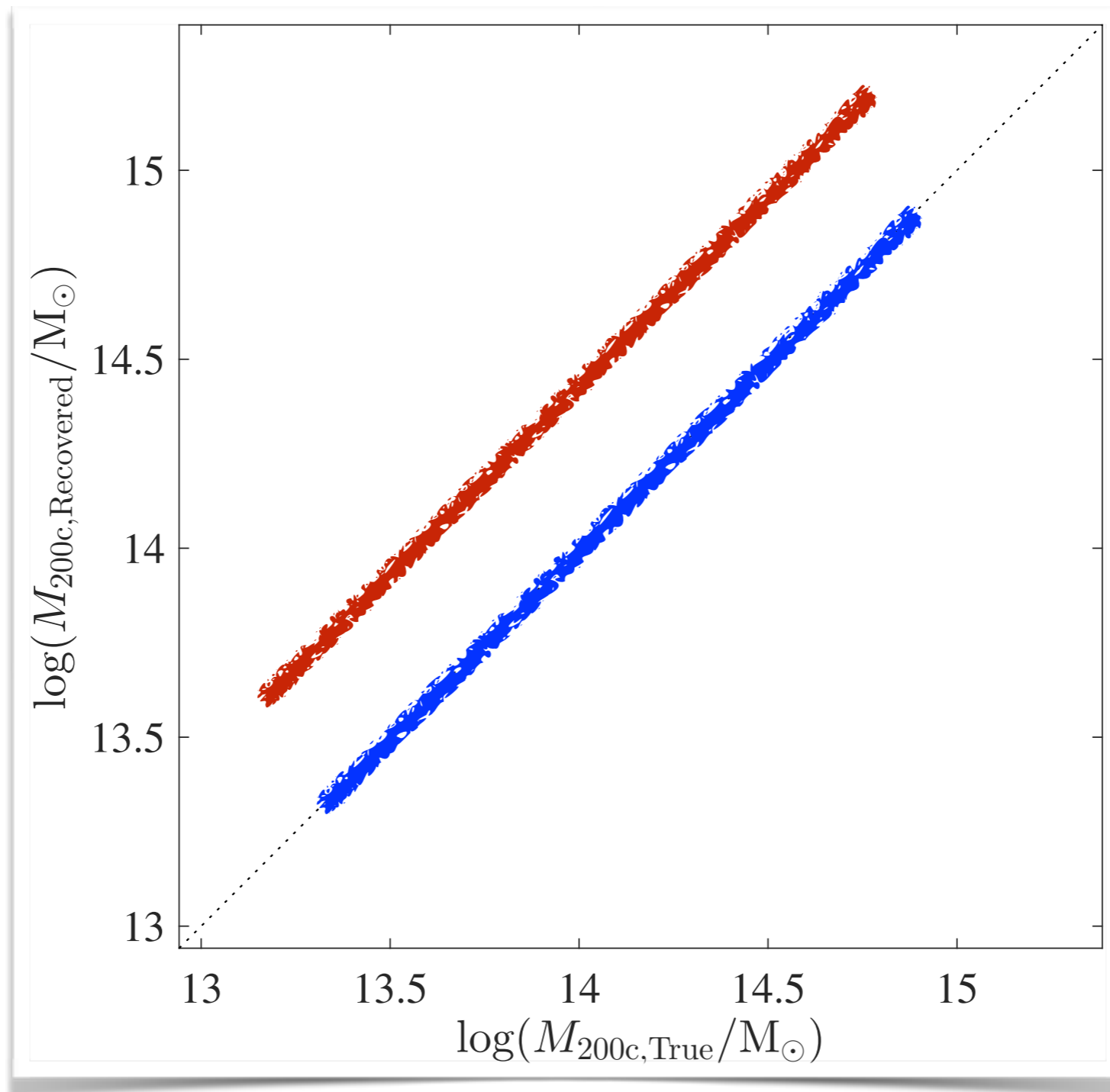
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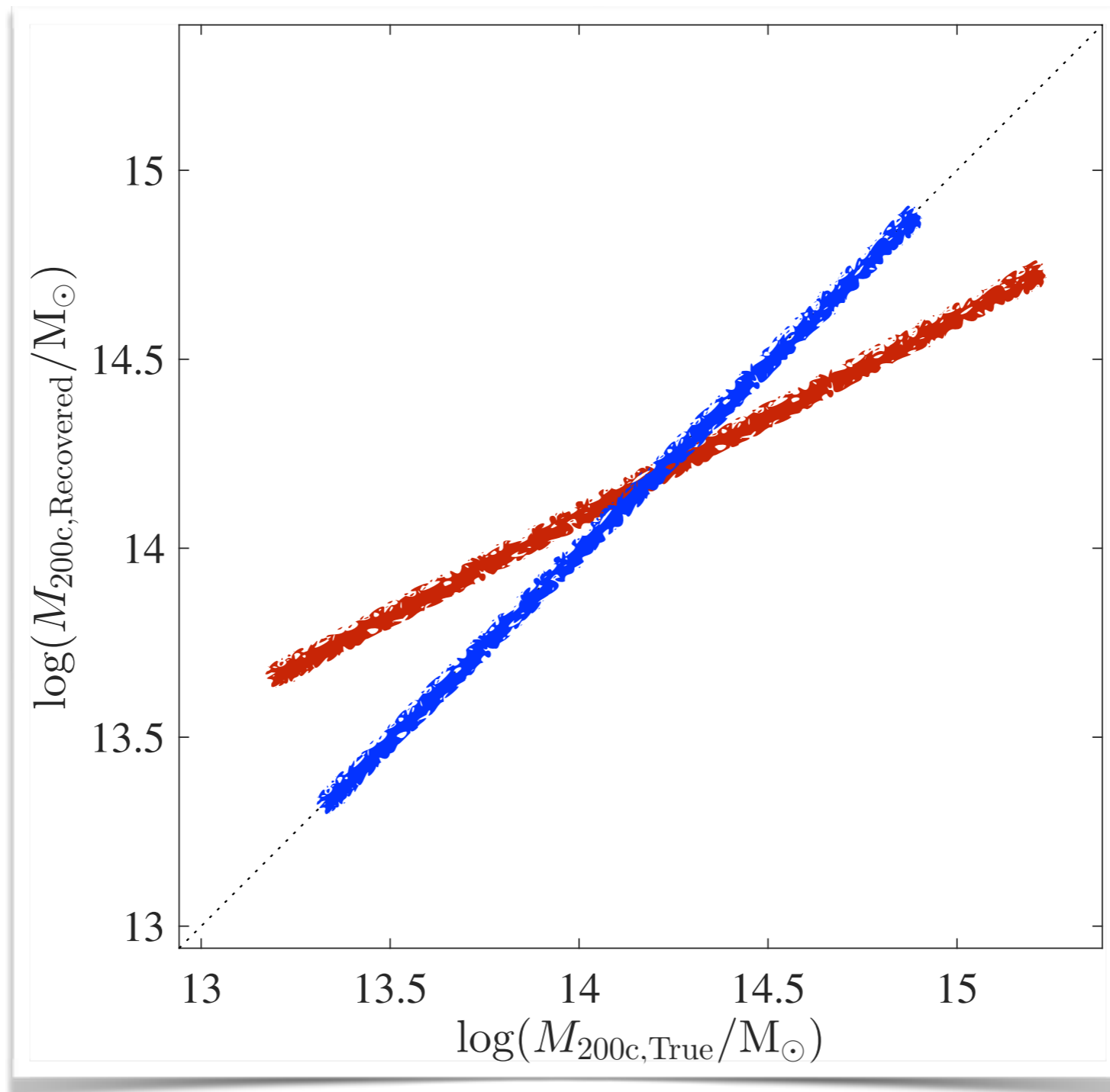




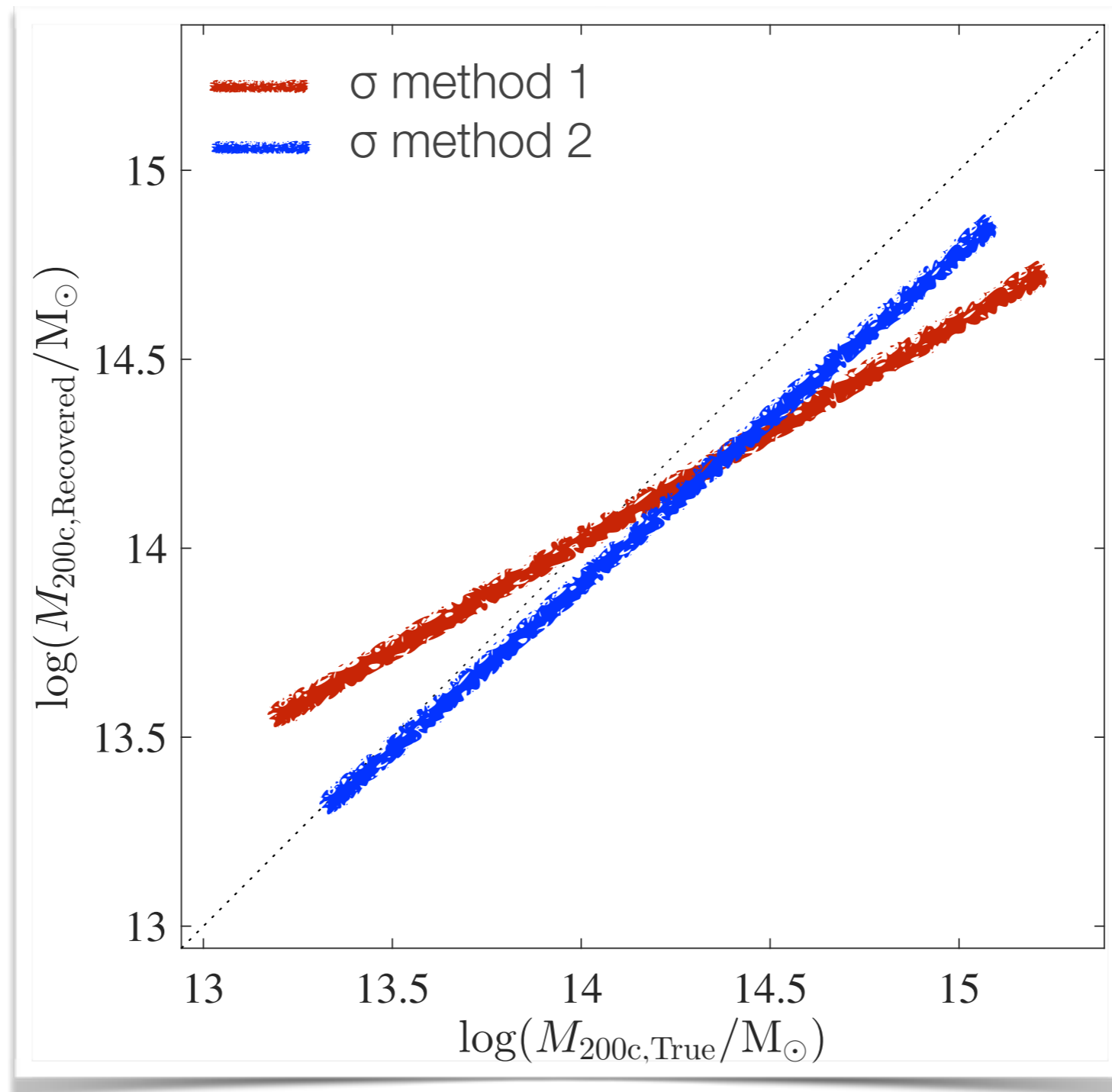
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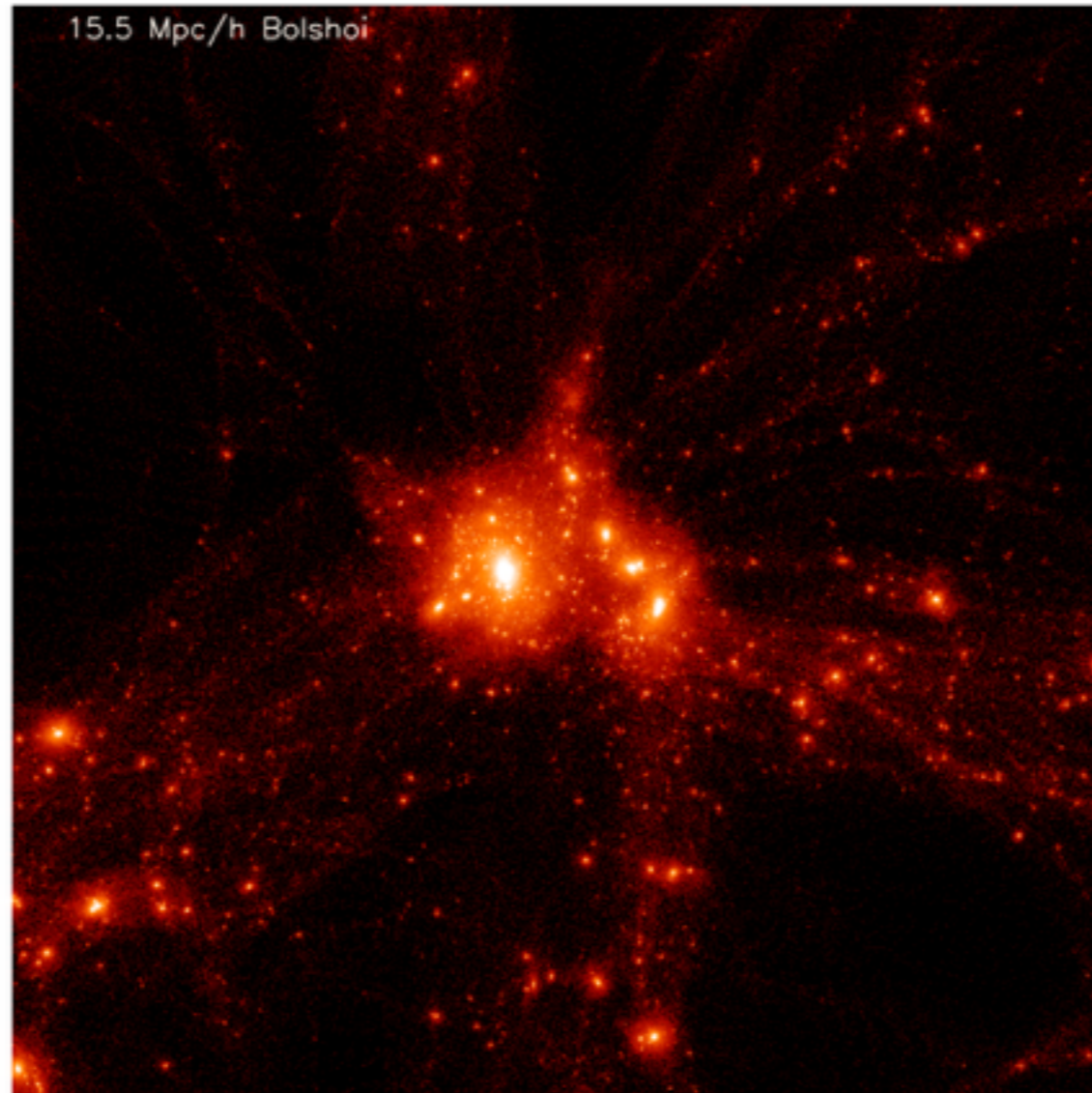


- Primary aim: how much scatter in  $\log M_{200c}$  do we expect?
- Which method is best for given data-set?
- Long-term goal: how can we improve these methods?

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DM only



Millennium Simulation (Springel et al., 2005), Bolshoi (Klypin et al., 2011)

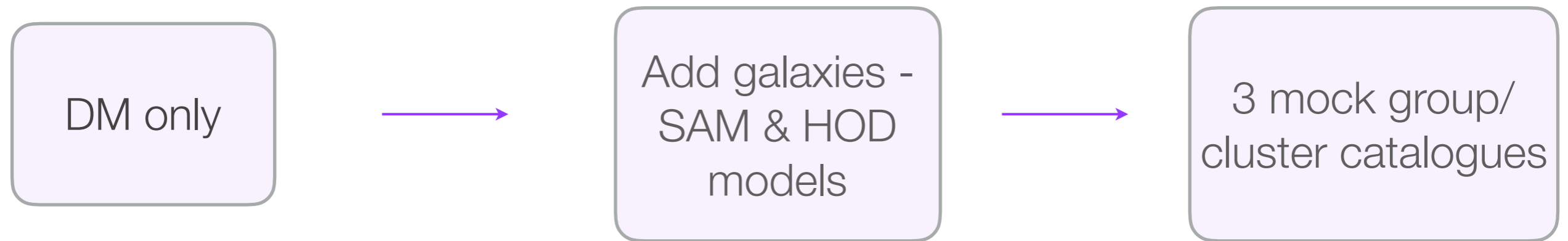
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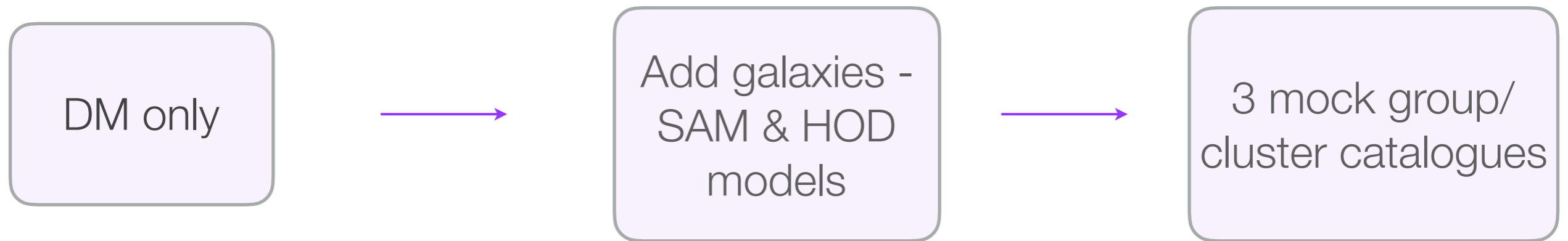
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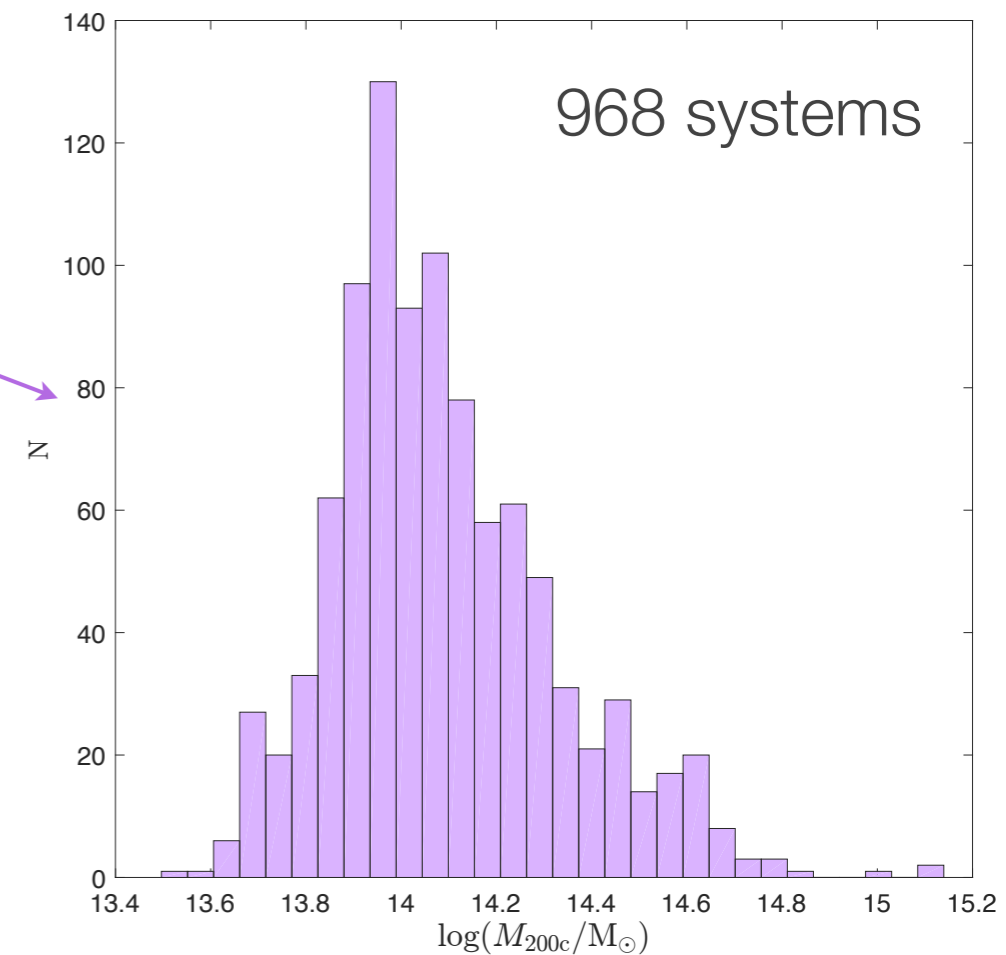




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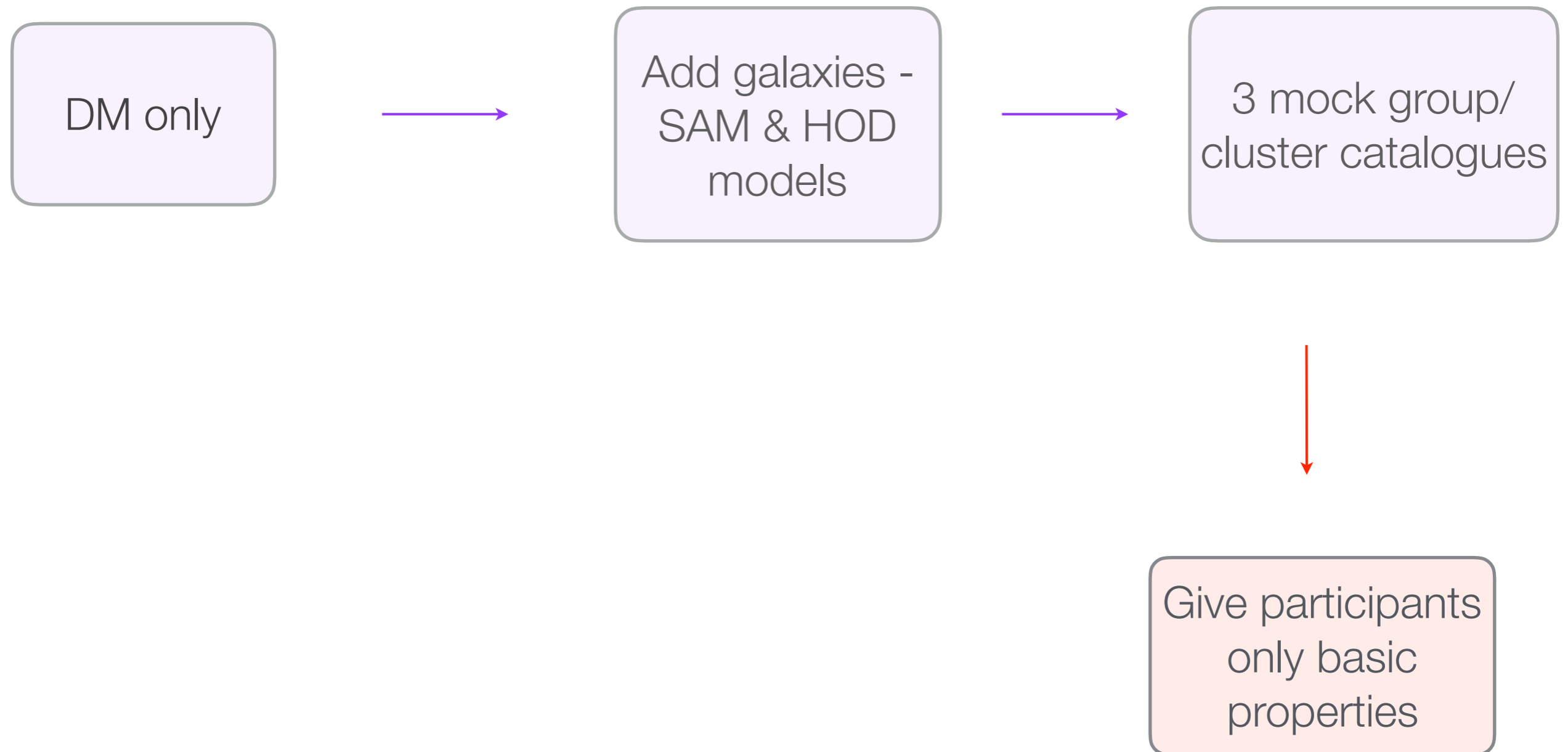


391 systems with  $\log M_{200c} \leq 14 M_{\text{solar}}$



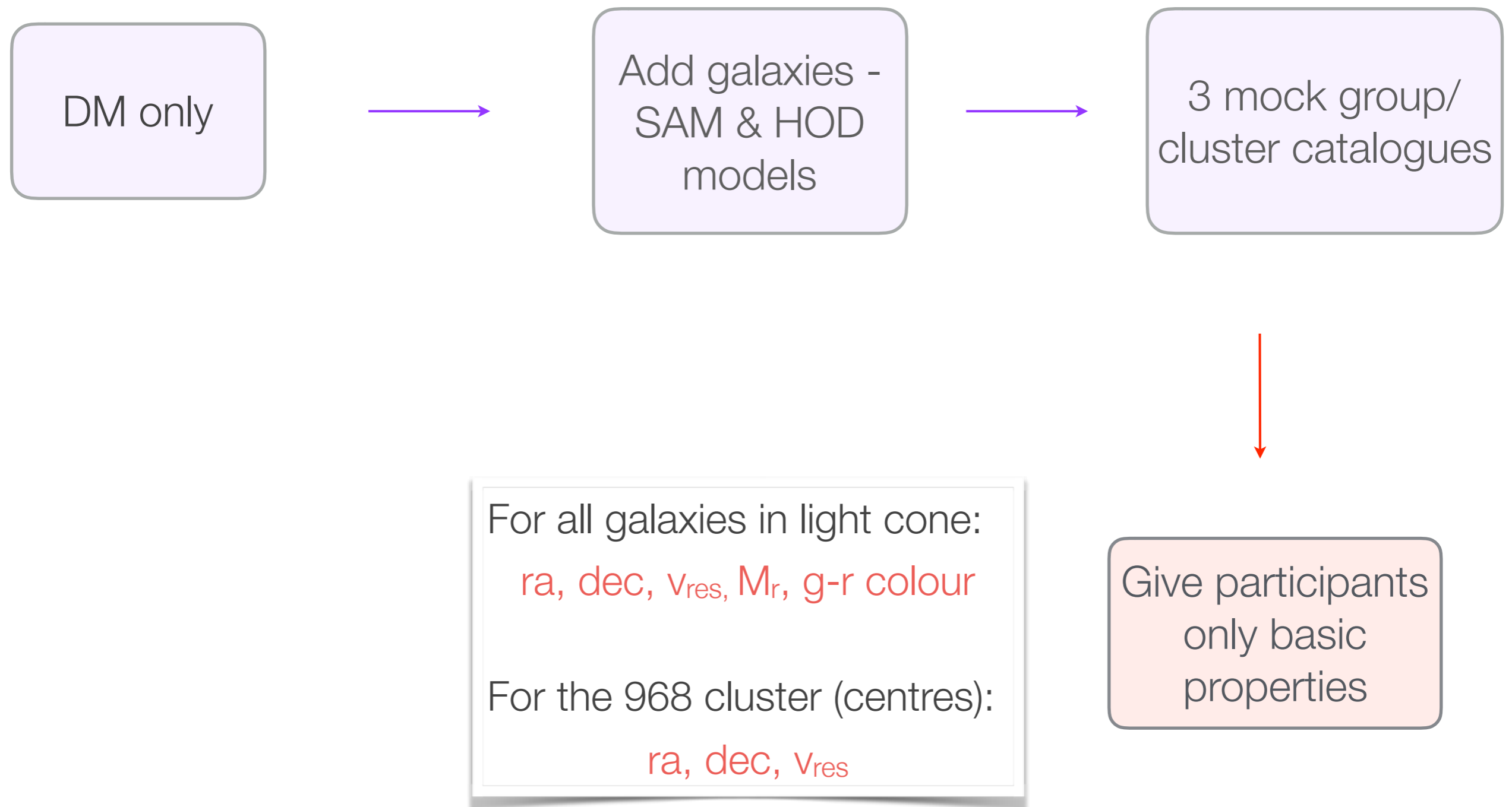
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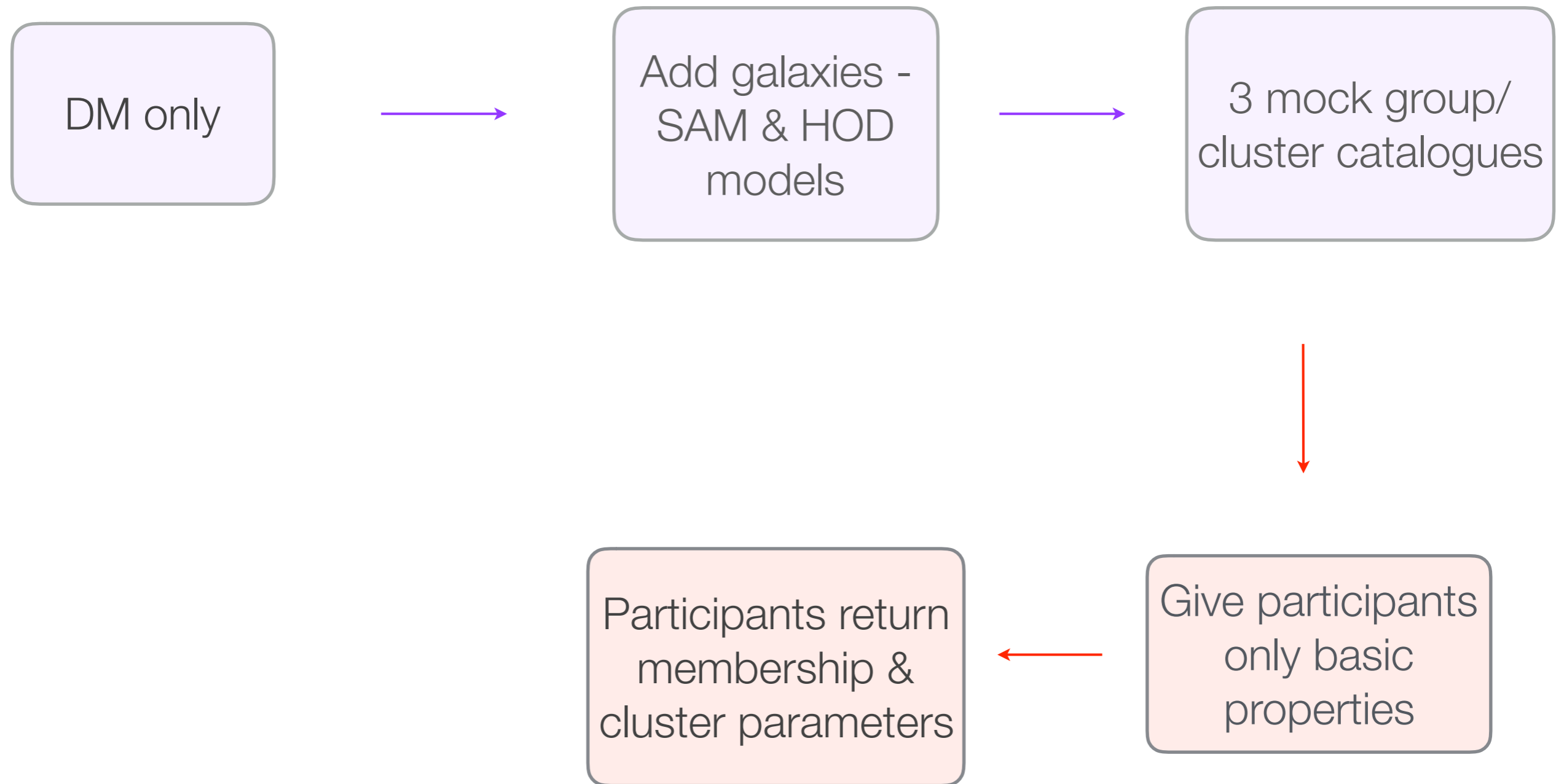
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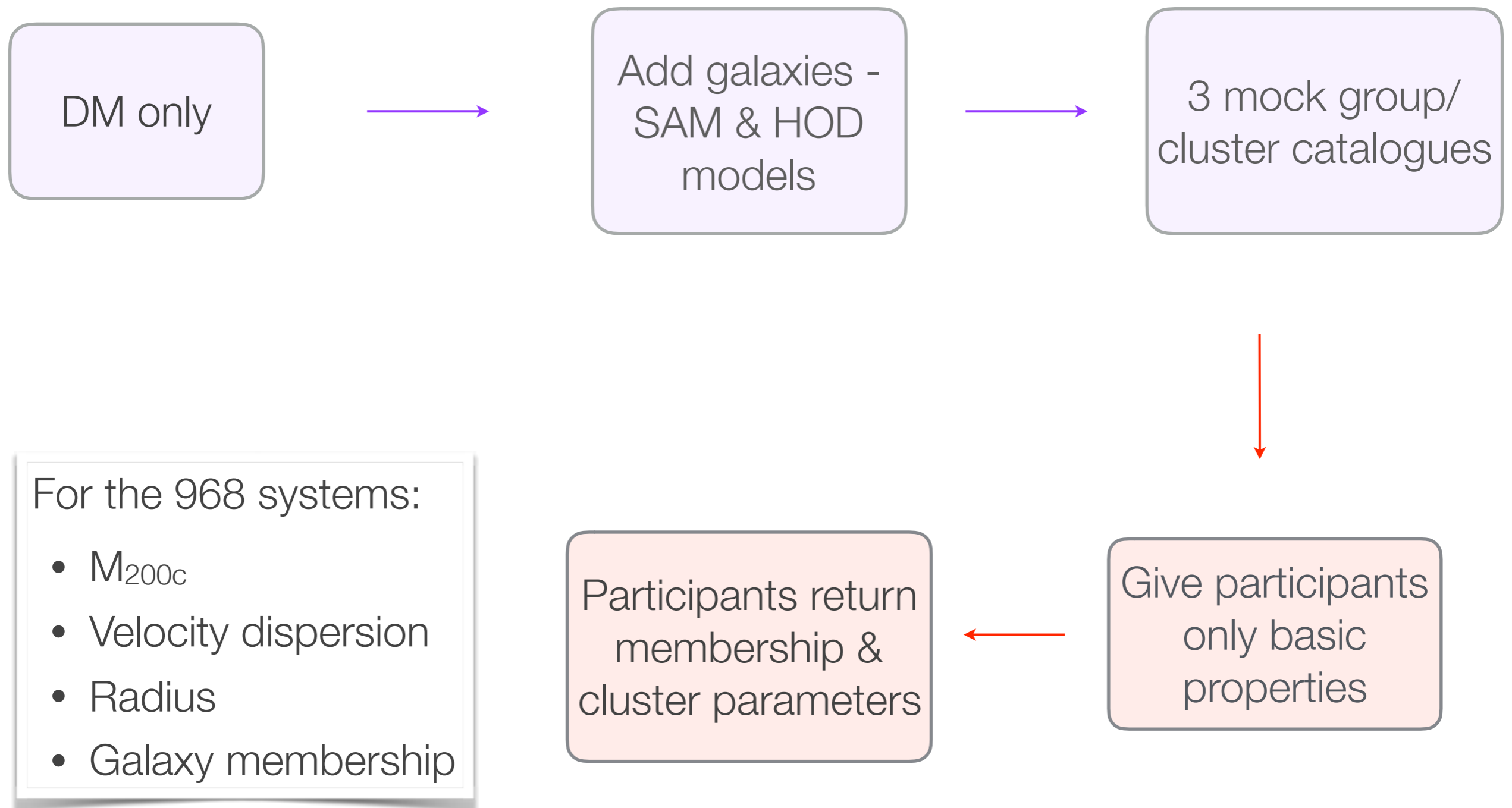
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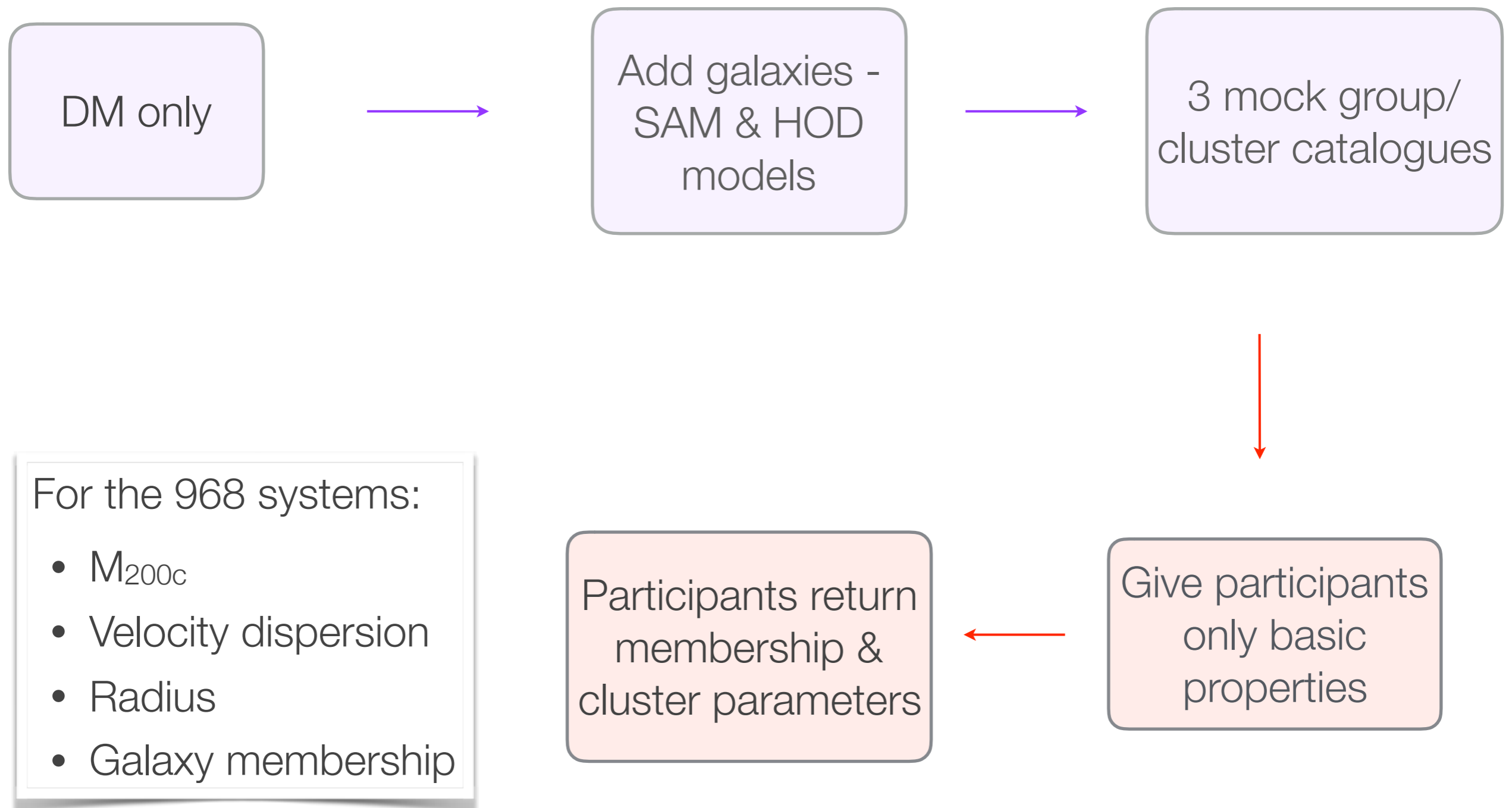
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Friends-Of-Friends algorithm

Phase space: within a certain distance and velocity from cluster centre

Red sequence: selecting galaxies of a certain colour

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Positions & velocities of galaxies

$$M \propto \sigma^3$$

Number of galaxies above a given luminosity threshold

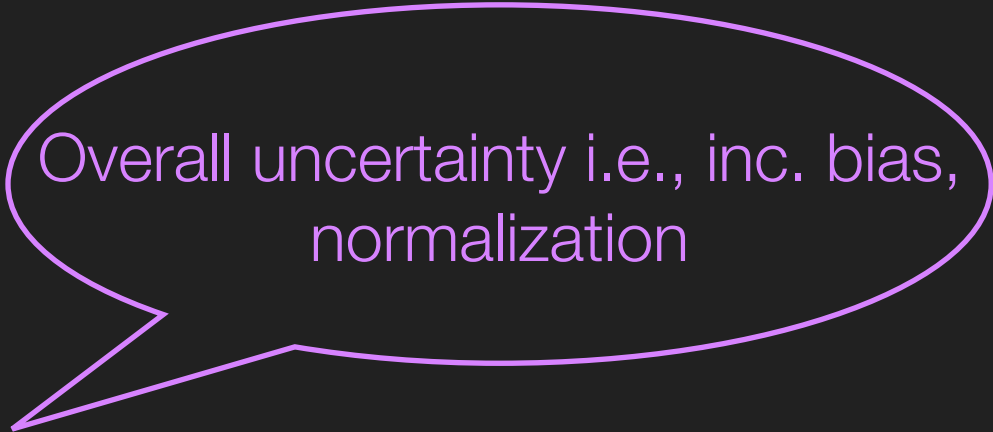
RMS radius/ DM profile fitted to obtain radius.

Matching using theoretical halo mass function & cluster r-band luminosity function

# Statistics I'll refer to a lot...

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RMS: root-mean-square difference between the recovered and true log mass



Overall uncertainty i.e., inc. bias, normalization

$\sigma_{MRec}$ : scatter about the recovered log mass



Intrinsic scatter i.e., exc. bias, normalization

Results!

# HOD2 catalogue

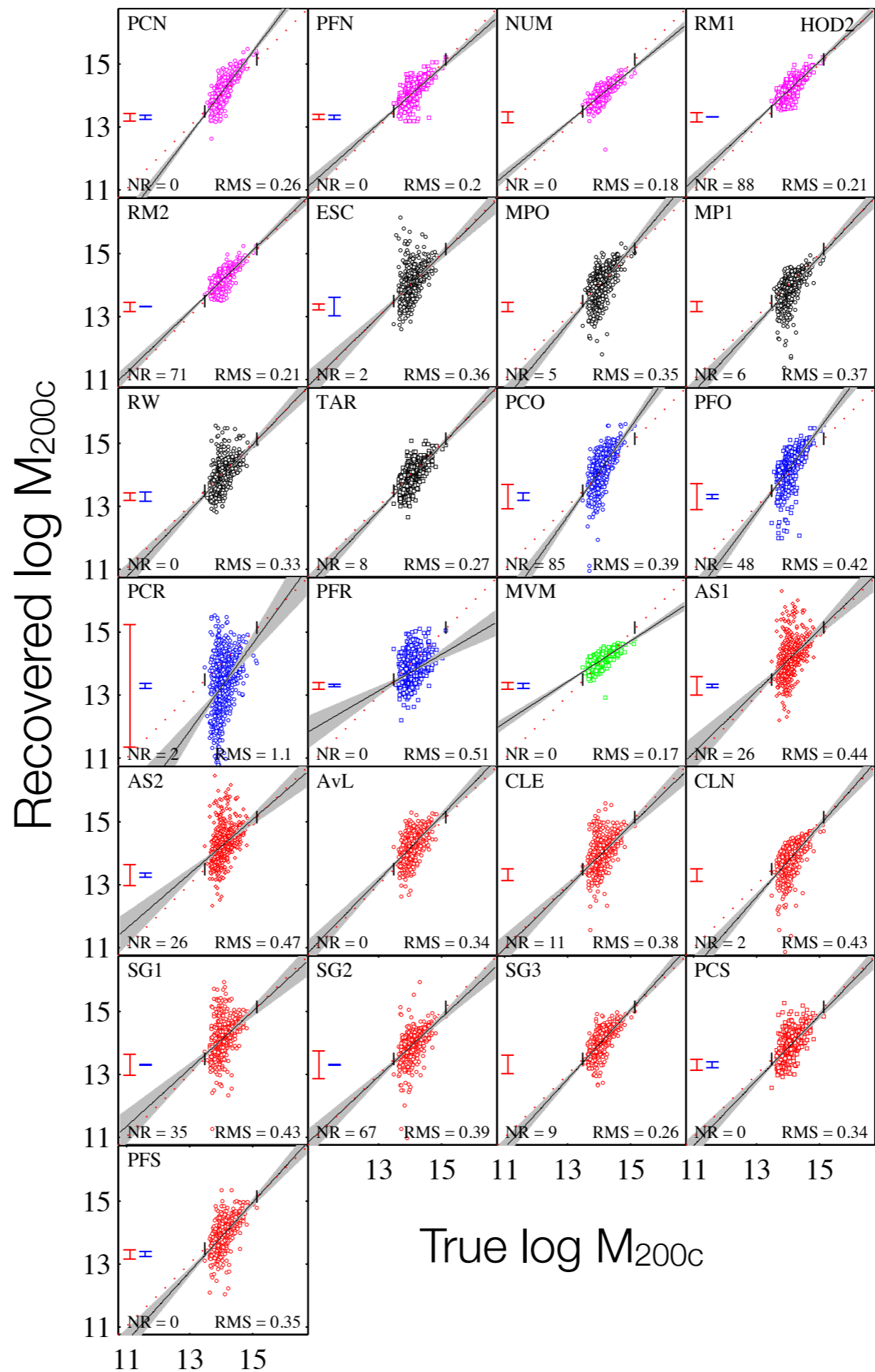
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Old et al., 2015

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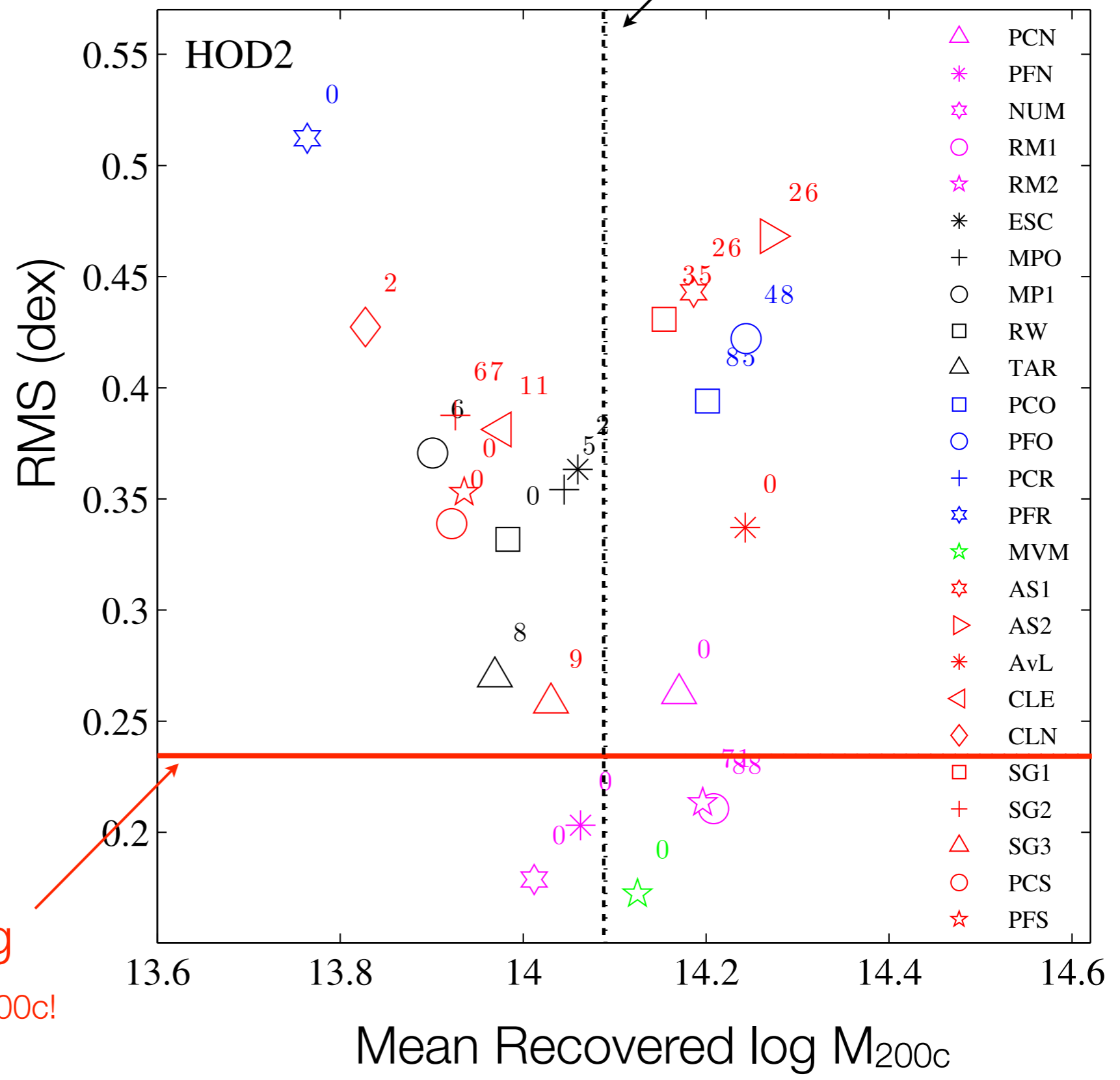


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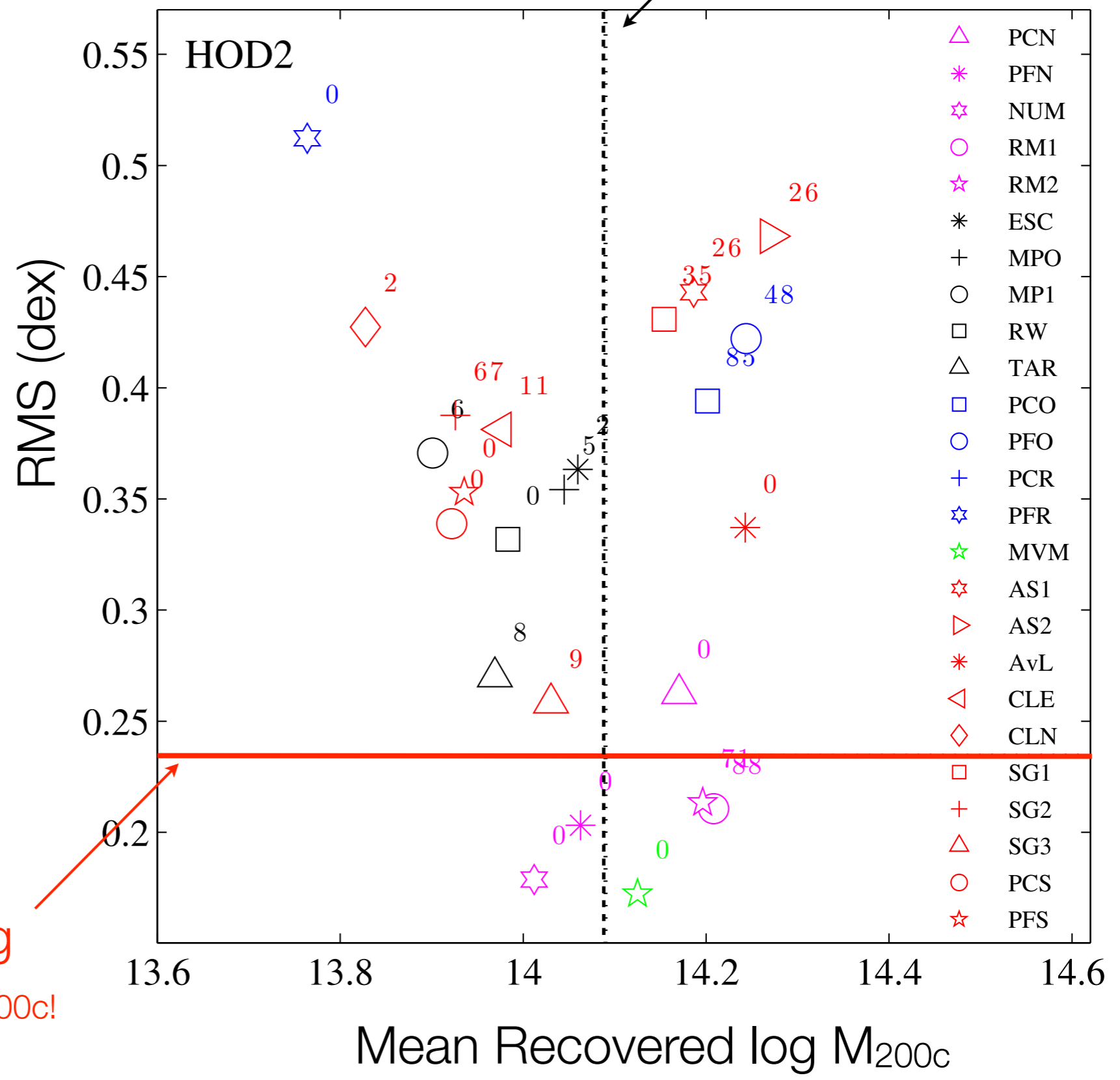


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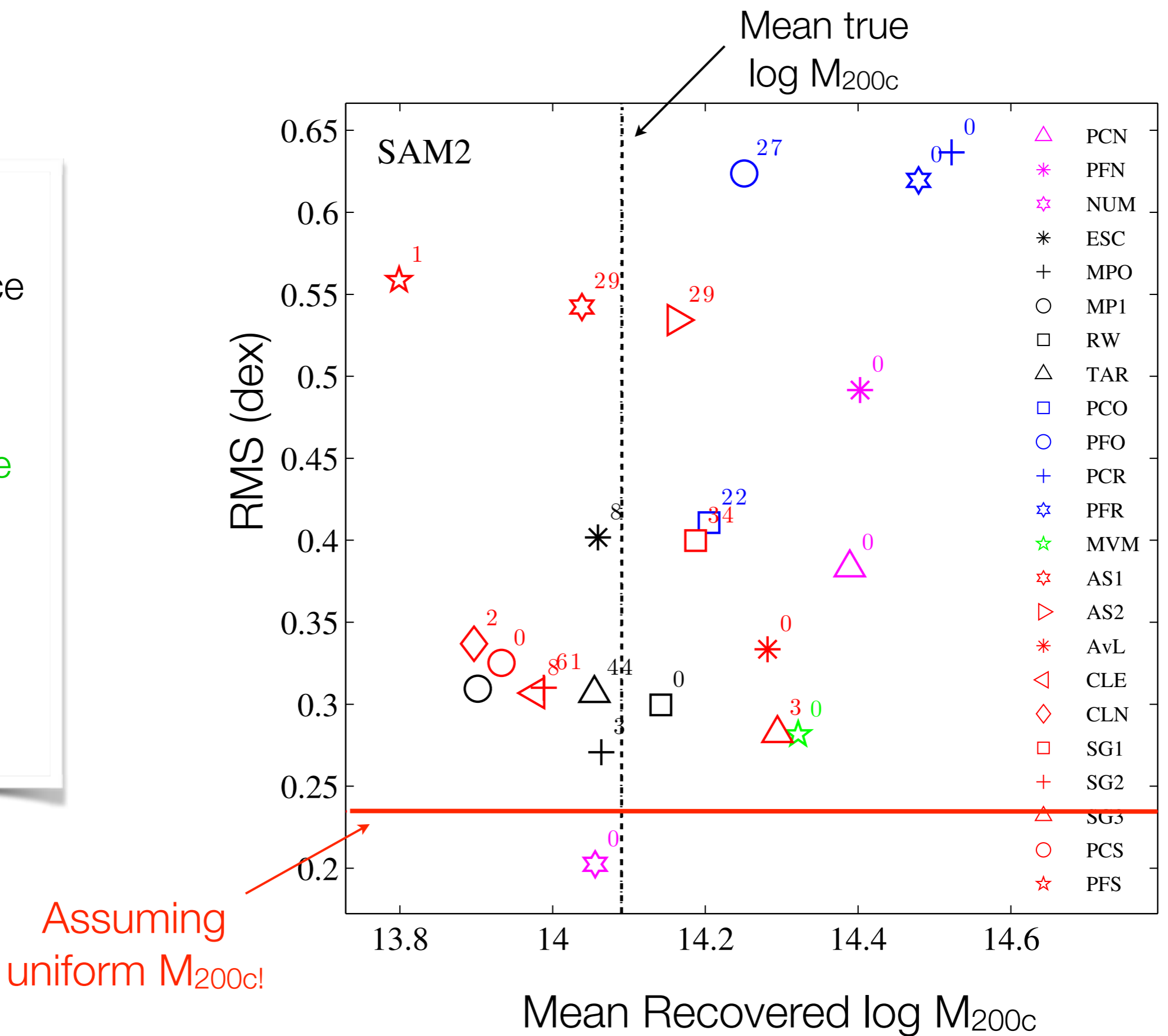
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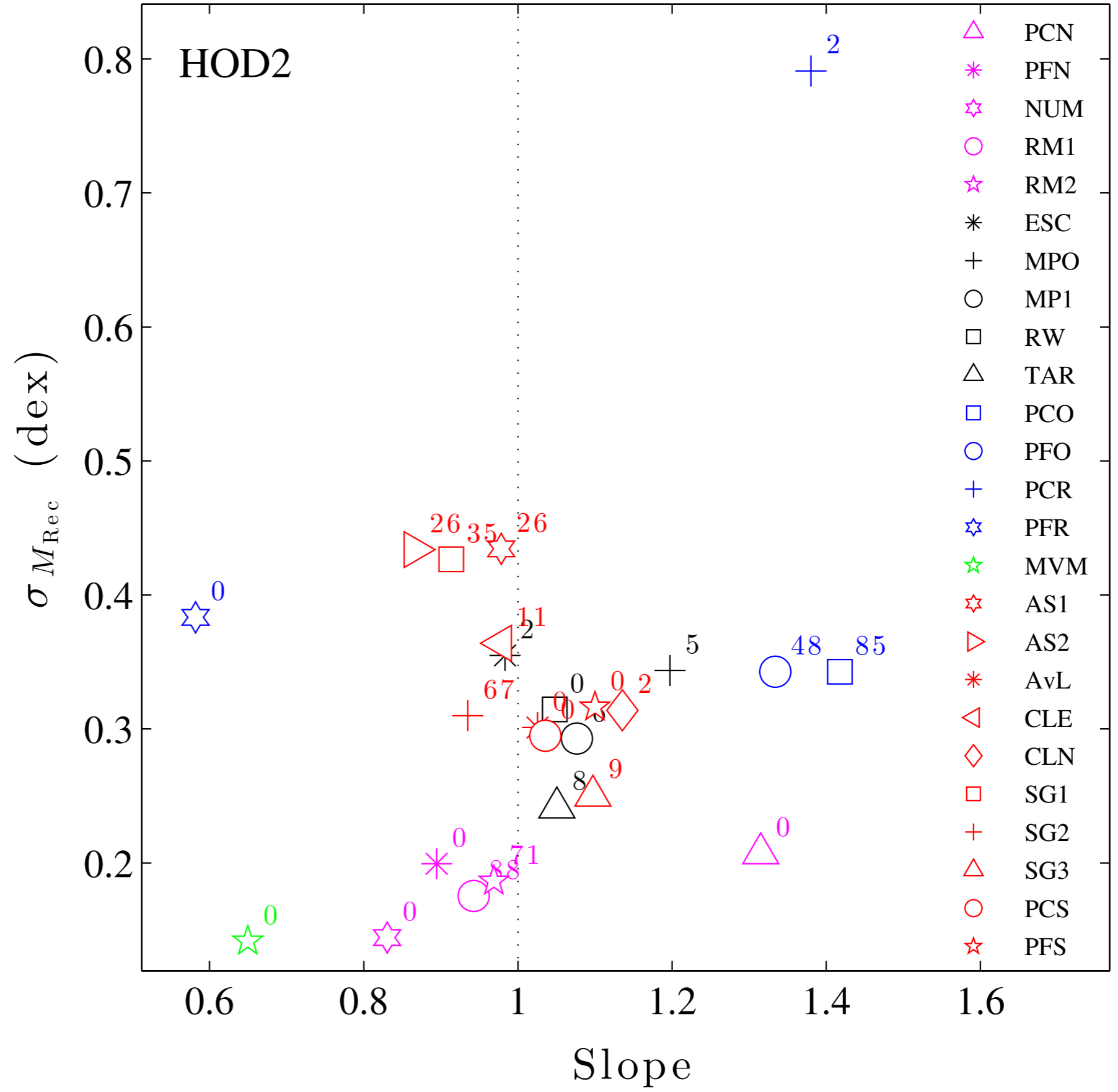
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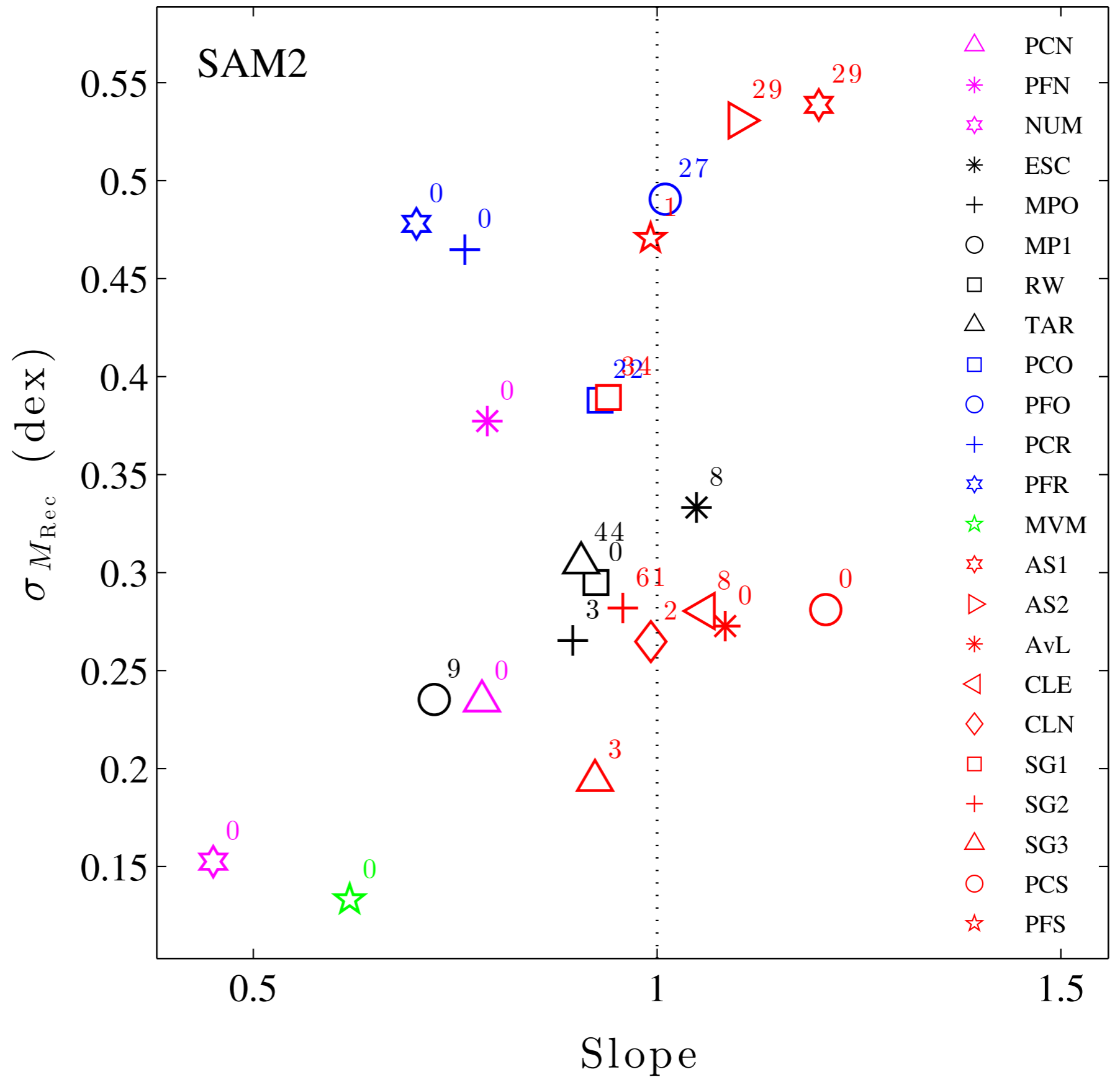
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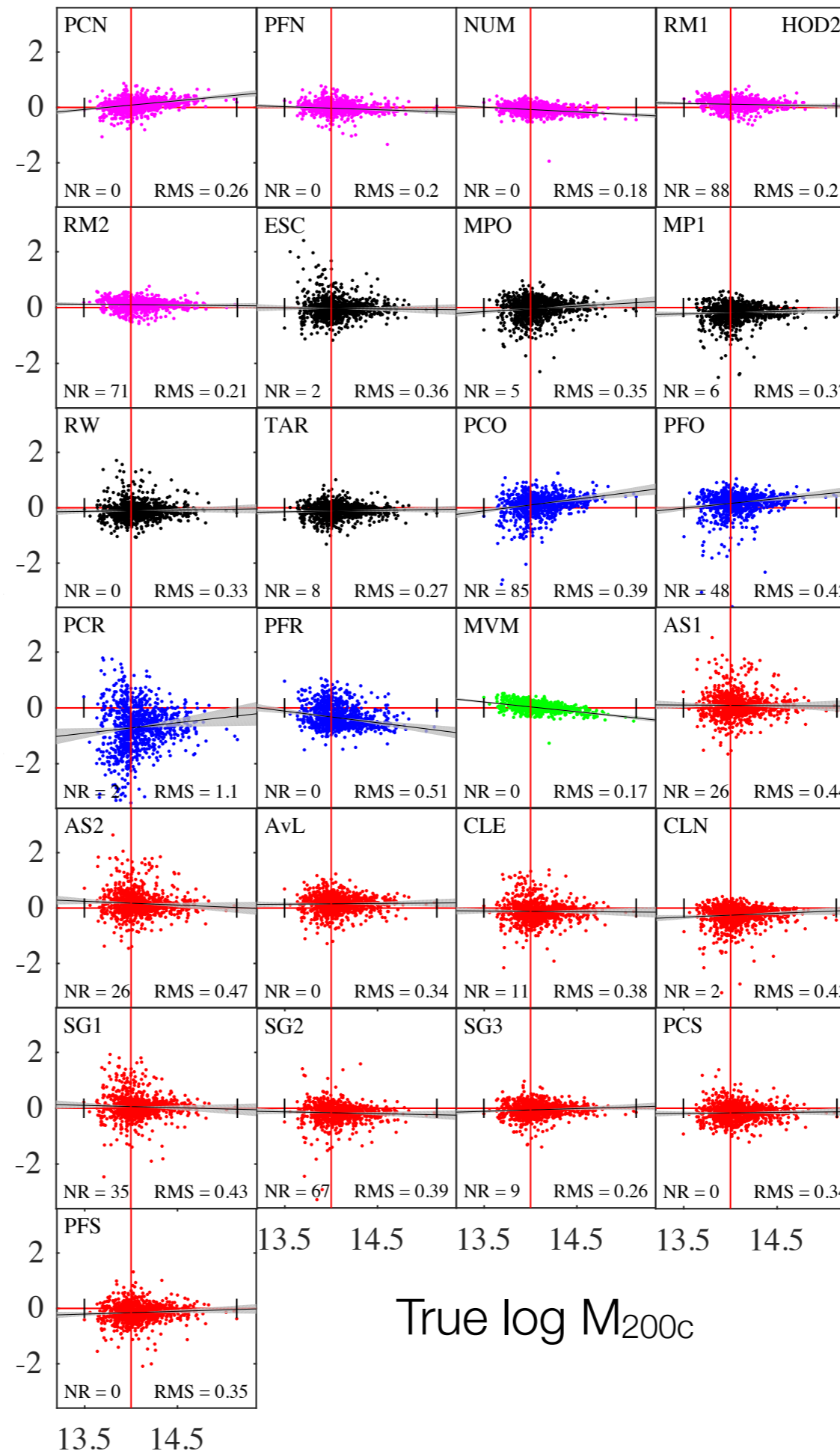
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$\log(\text{Rec } M_{200c} / \text{True } M_{200c})$



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# SAM2 catalogue

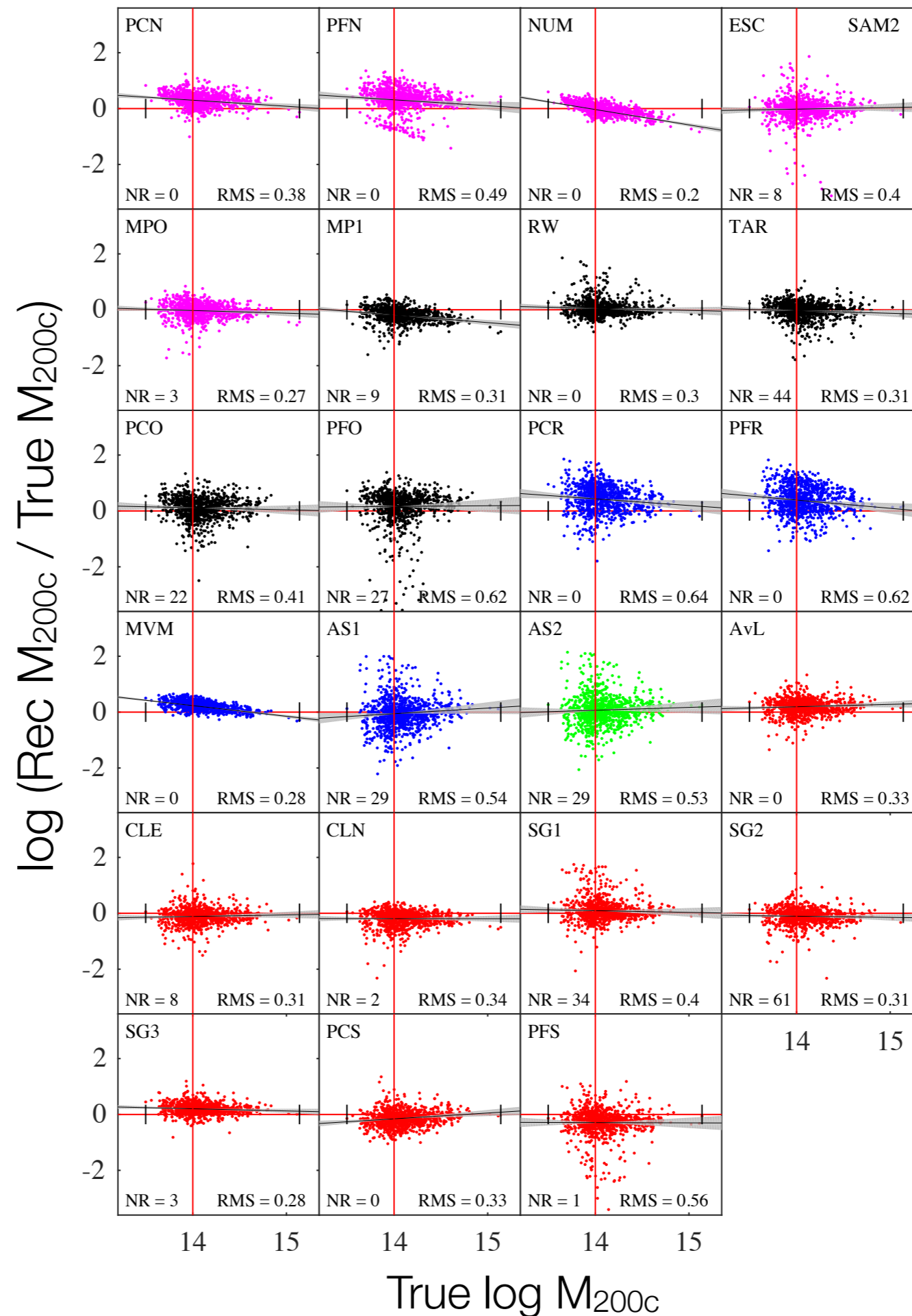
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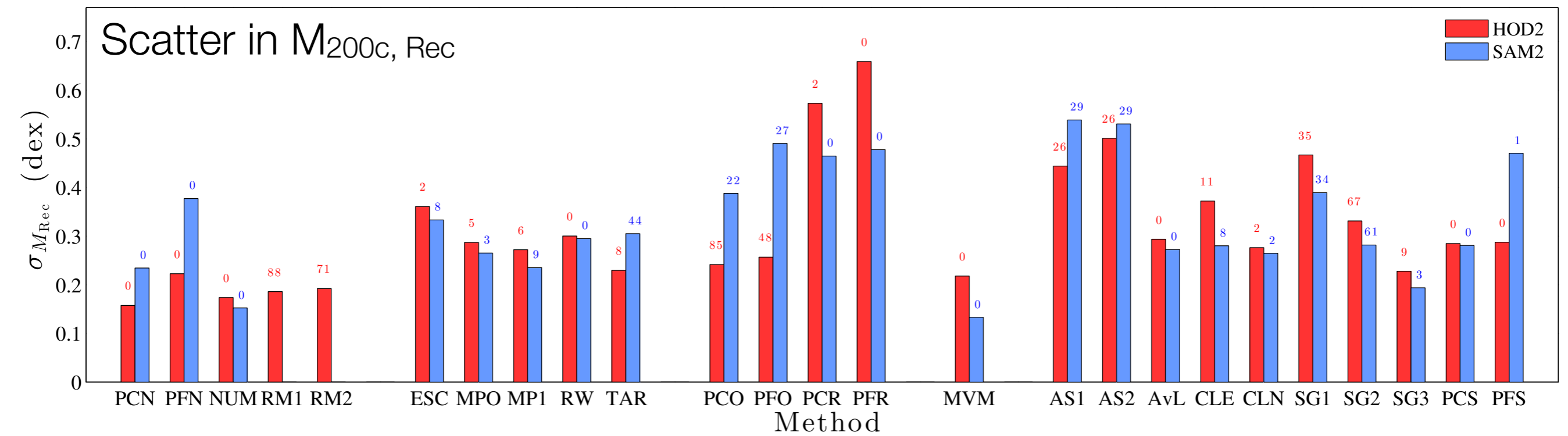
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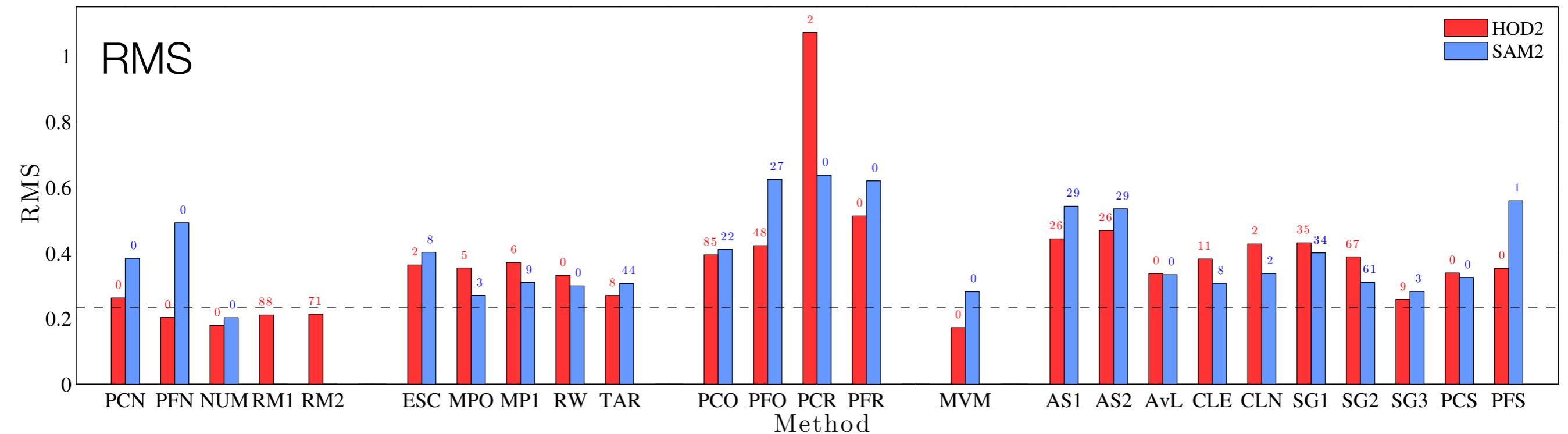
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HOD & SAM catalogues producing, on average, qualitatively similar level of scatter & bias



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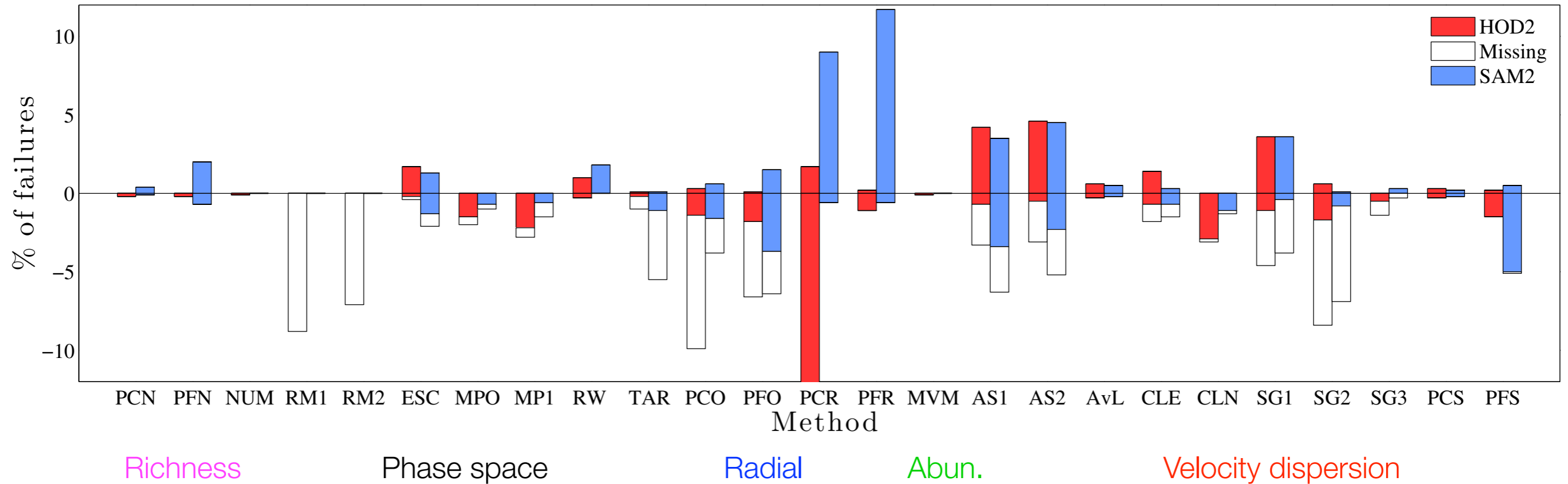
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# Catastrophic failures

Fraction of clusters whose mass is wrong by  $>$  a factor of 10



Outliers **over-predicting** mass will be **detrimental** due to steeply falling high mass end of cluster mass function

# Other GCMRP projects in progress...

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- Dynamical substructure & mass estimation  
(Old et. al, in prep.)
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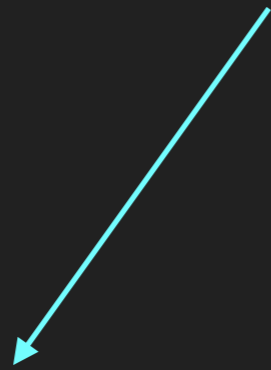
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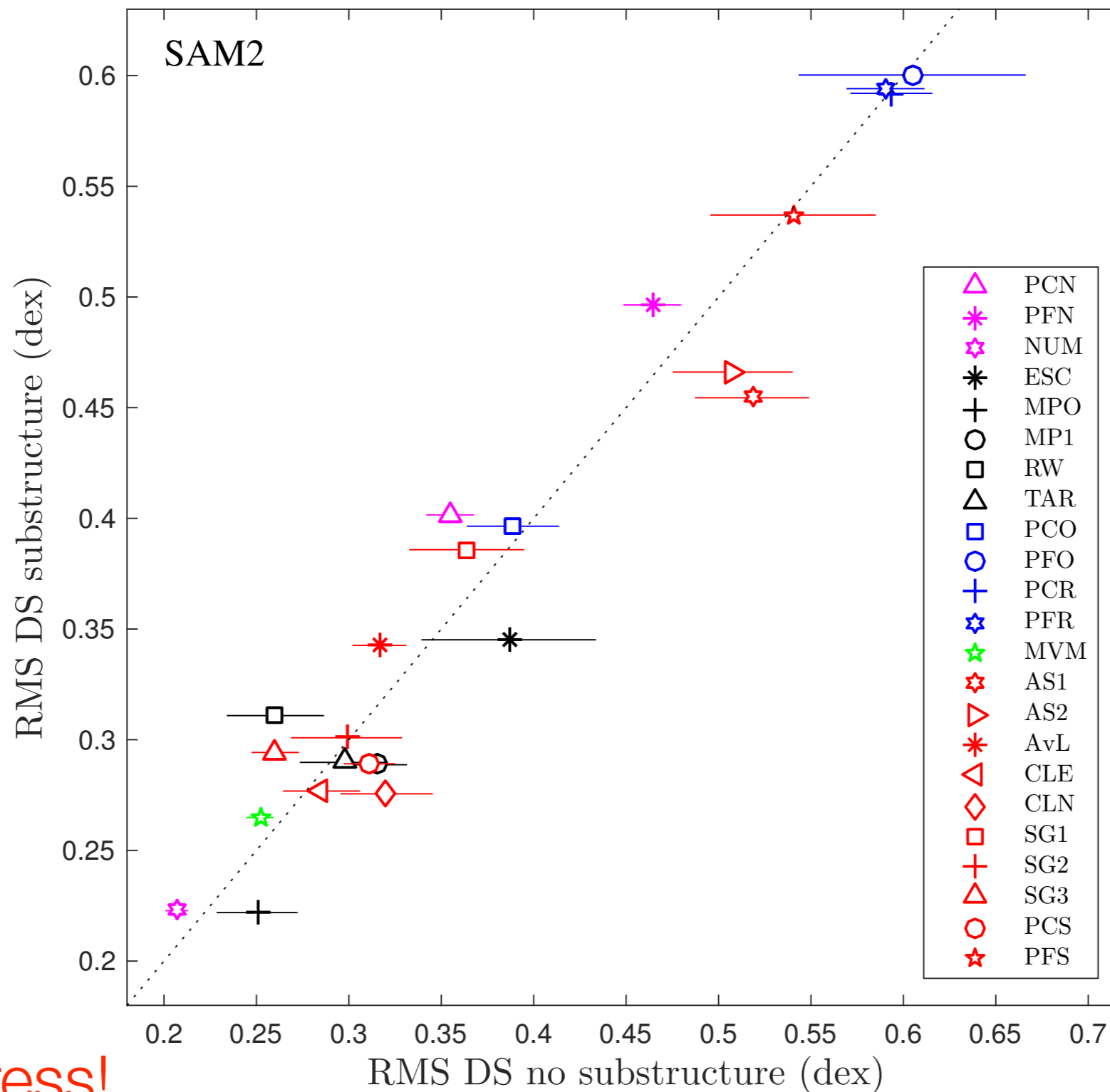
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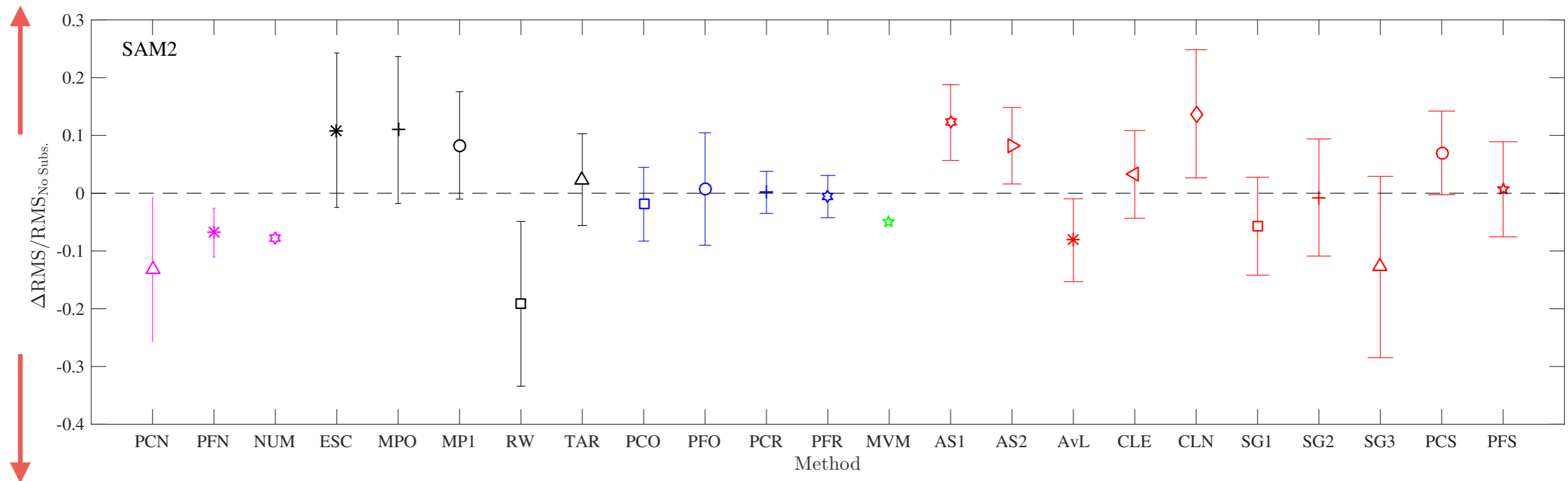
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# Measuring galaxy cluster masses using galaxies

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## Take home points

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## Future work

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