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Theoretical
Astrophysical
Observatory

Queryable Data from multiple popular cosmological simulations and galaxy formation models **which can be funneled through higher-level modules to build custom mock galaxy catalogues and images.**

Manodeep Sinha



GET STARTED

Ray Seikel



* TAO is accessible from anywhere you can access the internet.

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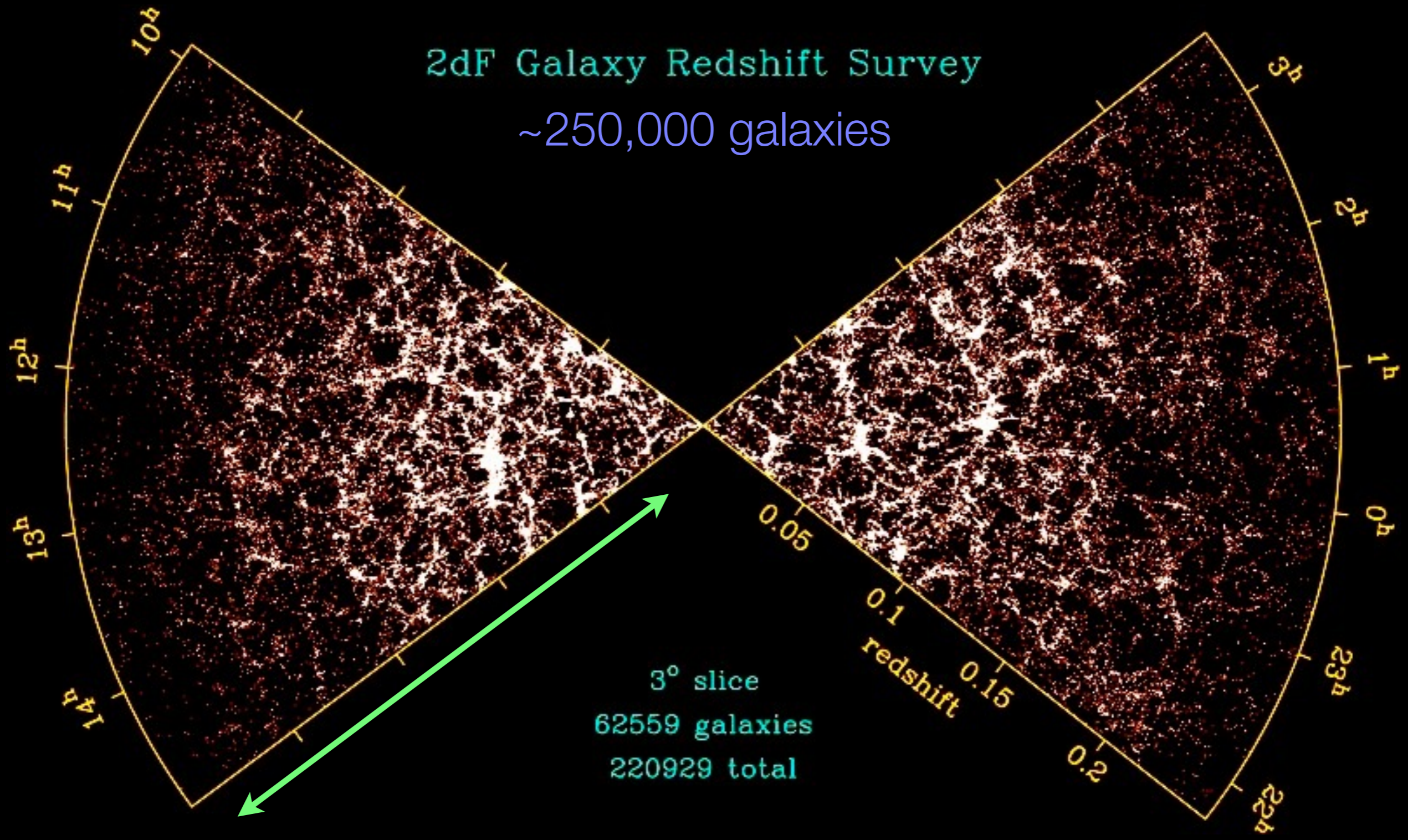
Strategy, particularly the National eResearch Collaboration Tools and Resources (NeCTAR) and the Australian National Data Service Projects.



<https://tao.asvo.org.au>

2dF Galaxy Redshift Survey

~250,000 galaxies



3° slice
62559 galaxies
220929 total

~3 billion light years

TAO

Telescope simulator

Image generation

SEDs + Filters

Light cone generation

Web form data query

Simulation database

Traditional

SQL data query

Simulation database



Developer: Makes a simple, intuitive UI



Users

New Catalogue



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Data Selection

Catalogue type *

Box

Simulation

Millennium

Galaxy Model

SAGE

Version

2016

Box size (Mpc/h) *

500

Redshift *

0.0000

Output properties *

Available

TYPE TO FILTER

- Galaxy Masses
- Total Stellar Mass
- Bulge Stellar Mass
- Black Hole Mass
- Cold Gas Mass
- Hot Gas Mass
- Ejected Gas Mass
- Intracluster Stars Mass
- Metals Total Stellar Mass
- Metals Bulge Mass
- Metals Cold Gas Mass



Selected

TYPE TO FILTER

INFOBAR

Selected simulation details

Millennium

Cosmology

WMAP-1

Cosmological parameters

$\Omega_m = 0.25$, $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.75$, $\Omega_b = 0.045$, $\sigma_8 = 0.9$, $h = 0.73$, $n = 1$

Box size

500 Mpc/h

Mass resolution

$8.6 \times 10^8 M_{\text{sun}}/h$

Force resolution

5 kpc/h

Paper

Springel et al. 2005

External link

The German Astrophysical Virtual Observatory

Selected galaxy model details

SAGE

The Semi-Analytic Galaxy Evolution (SAGE) model used in this work is a publicly available codebase that runs on the dark matter halo trees of a cosmological N-body simulation.

Paper


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Viewing Catalogue 3262

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SUMMARY

STATUS

Disk Usage	783MB 
Number of Galaxies	1394191
Status	Completed

Description

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SDSS preset cone

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GENERAL PROPERTIES

Catalogue Geometry	Light-Cone
Dataset	Millennium / SAGE / 2016 >>
Dimensions	$0^\circ < RA < 90^\circ$ $0^\circ < Dec < 60^\circ$ Redshift: $0 \leq z \leq 0.15$
Number of Light-Cones	1 random light-cone
Output Properties	52 properties selected >>

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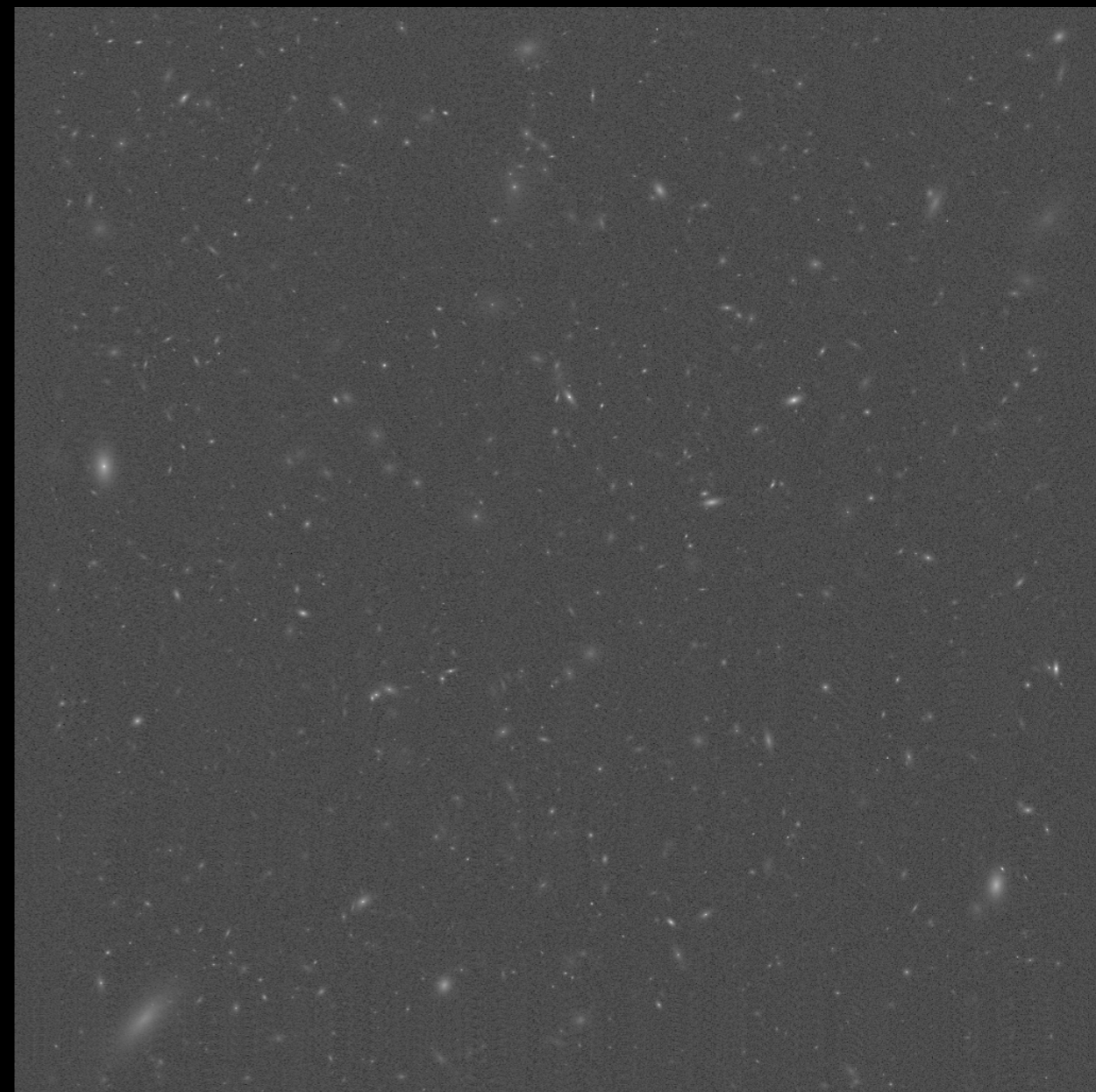
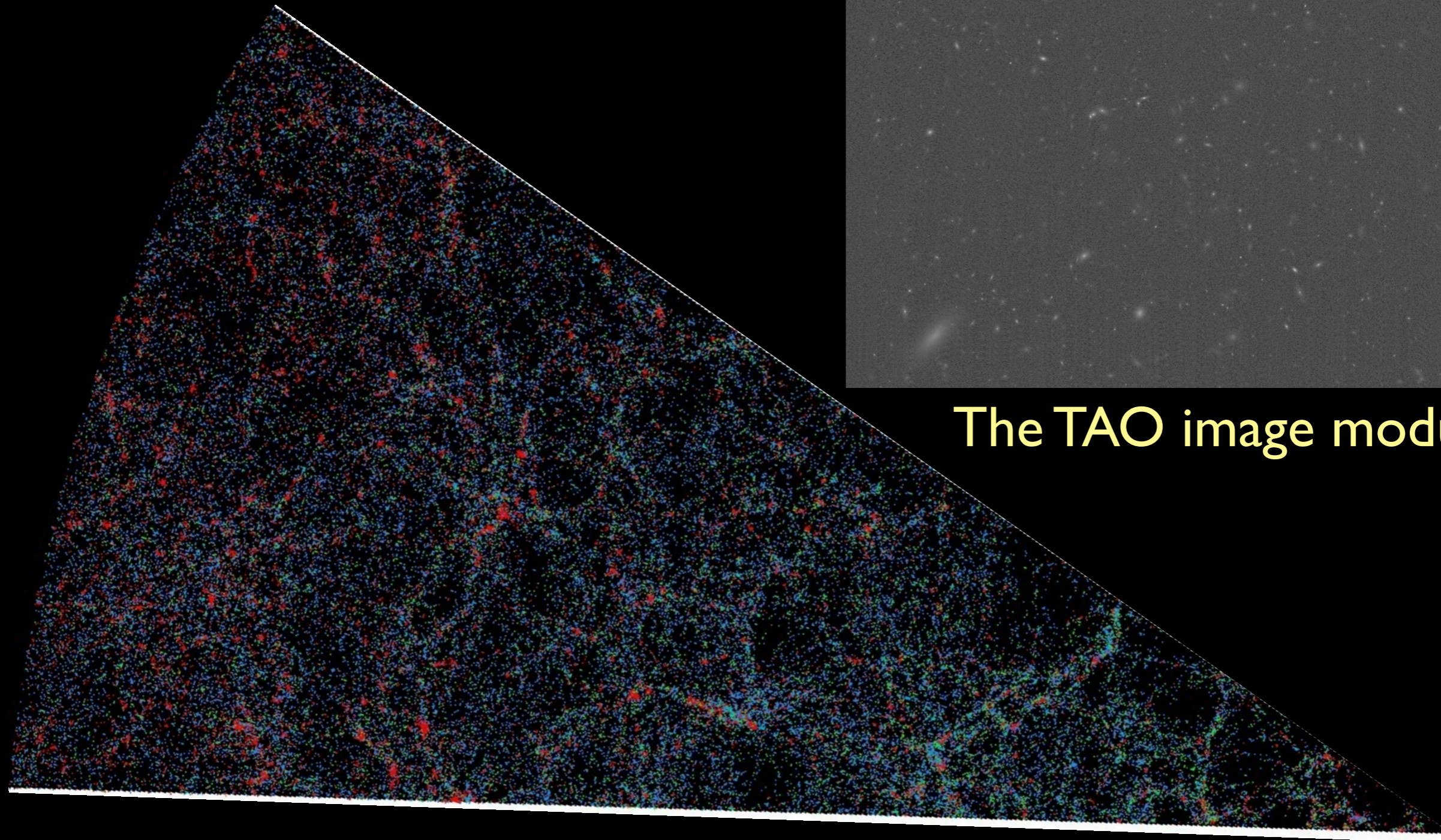

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IMAGES FOR CATALOGUE 3262



ID	STATUS
3263	COMPLETED

The TAO
light-cone module



The TAO image module

Data Visualisation with Vis3D

ASVO. TAO THEORETICAL ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY

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HOME NEW CATALOGUE PROJECTS HISTORY ADMIN DOCUMENTATION SUPPORT ASVO NODES

Catalogue 3510. Colour-coded by SDSS_g_Absolute

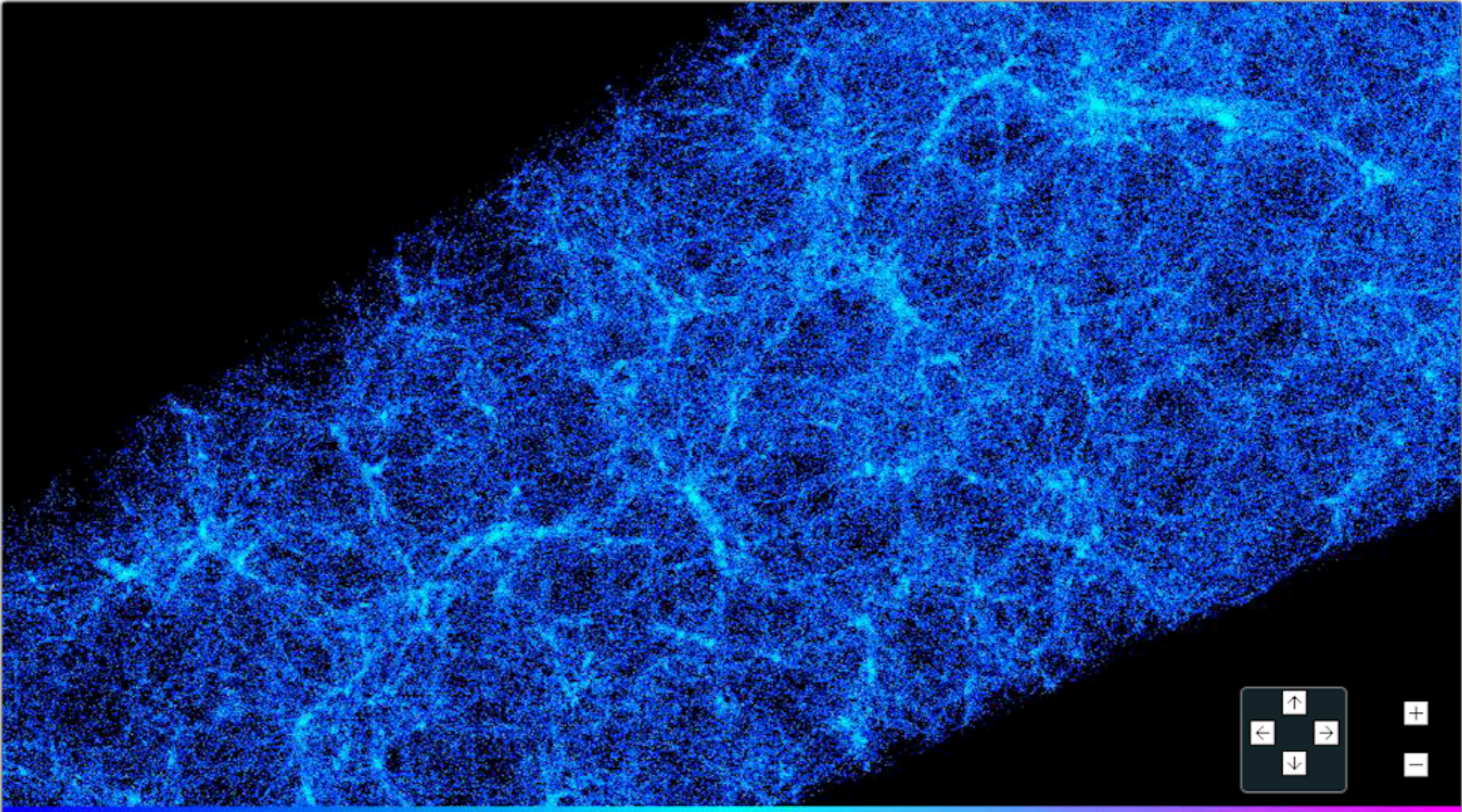
View Filters Black_Hole_Mass Metals_Total_S... Total_Stellar_M...

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q	Pan up
s	Zoom out
a	Pan left
e	Pan down
r	Reset

Mouse

Drag	Rotate
SHIFT Drag	Pan



CyanPurple

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Theoretical Astrophysical Observatory (TAO) version 5.0 | About

General Statistics

- TAO has been live since 2014, lives on OzStar/NT and GADI
- 15 different base catalogues built on 6 simulations
- 800+ total users, ~50 active users in the past 12 months
producing 250+ mock catalogues
- 5TB total galaxy catalogues; 40+TB total user generated data
- TAO has been used in 12+ PhD theses
- Since 2015 has been referenced in at least 53 publications
with 2400+ citations (ADS)

Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable

These are ideal goals we all aspire to ...

... but mean very little without money to realise

And more importantly, the expertise + experience to build

1. How should projects be supported through their start-up and growth stages?
2. When growth levels out?
3. How do you know when it's time to retire a platform?

The Future



- Getting data in ...
- Bringing users in ...
- Connecting to other platforms ...
- Funding ... ?

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