

# From Observations to Origins: Disentangling Gas Flows in the CGM

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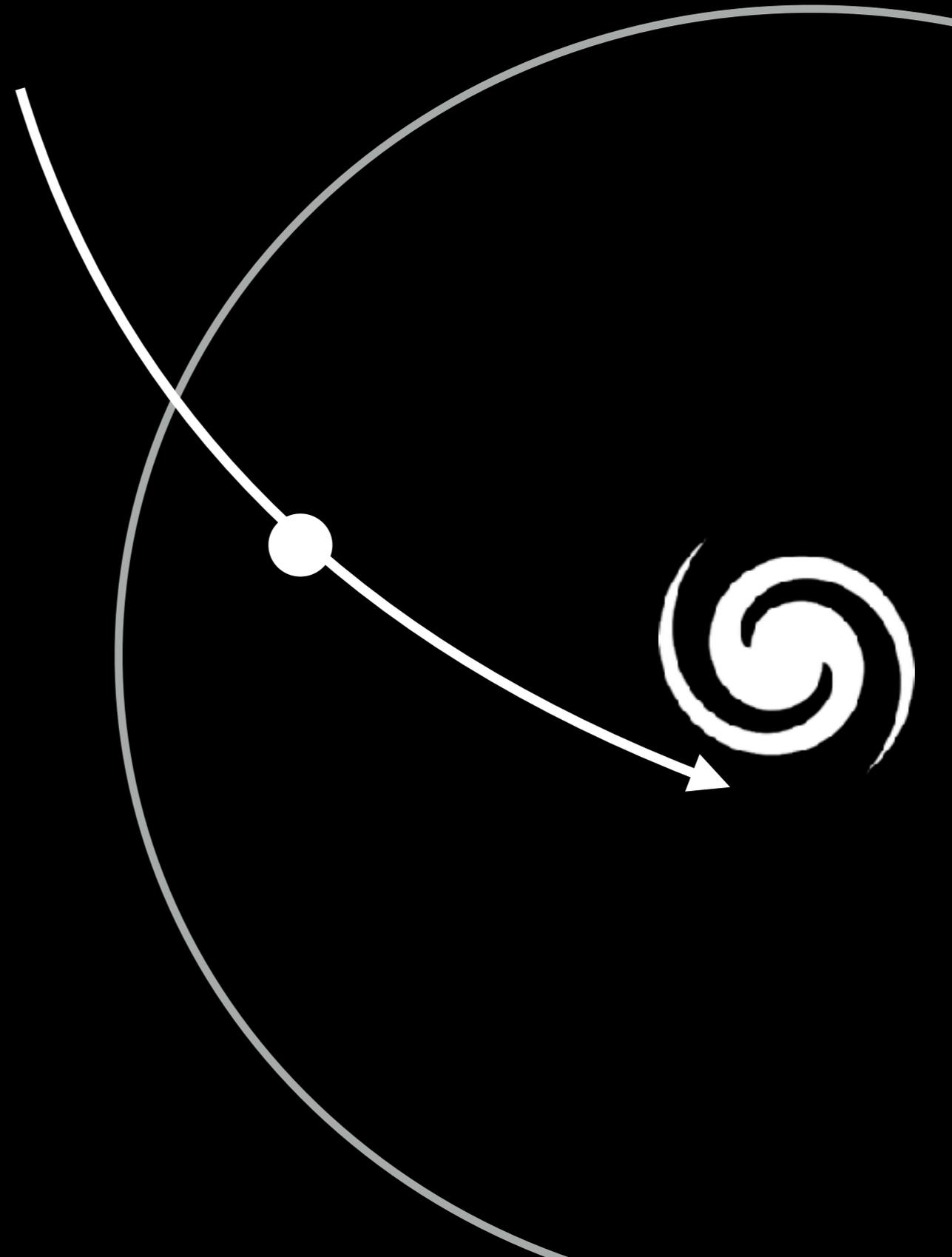
Collaborators include...

Claude-André Faucher-Giguère, Daniel Anglés-Alcázar, Jonathan Stern,  
and the FIRE collaboration

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# We employ a particle tracking analysis

- Heavily modified from Anglés-Alcázar17 to handle larger simulations and apply to more problems
- Track full history relative to all galaxies
- This is still a work in progress!



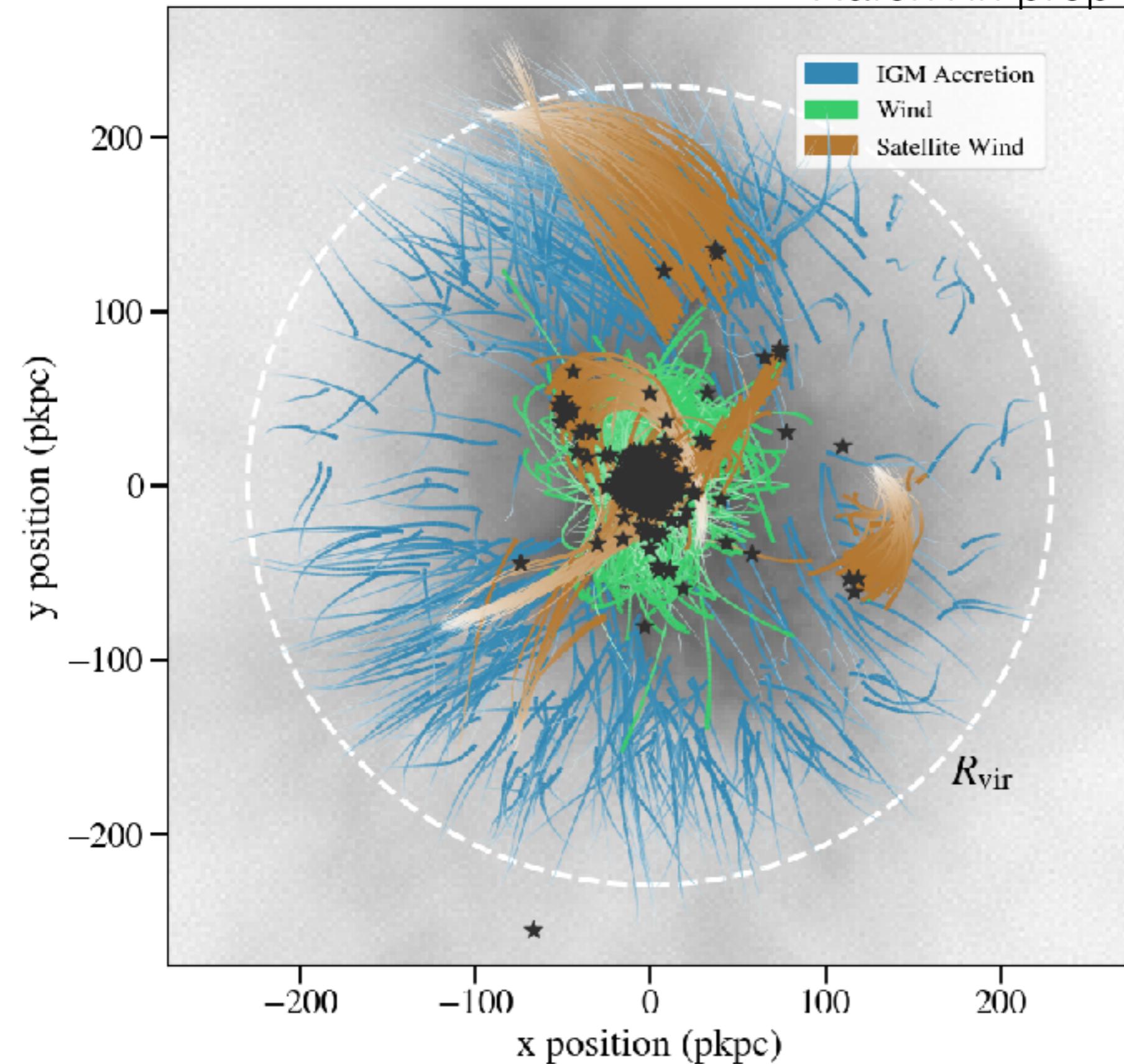
# Analysis Sample Overview

- FIRE-2: new hydro solver (MFM), better resolution ( $m_p \sim 7000 M_{\text{sun}}$  for MW analogs)
- $\sim 20$  zoom-in simulations
- $10^{10} M_{\text{sun}} < M_h < 10^{12} M_{\text{sun}}$
- Trace the histories of  $10^5$  particles in the CGM
- Focus on  $z=0.25$  and  $z=2$

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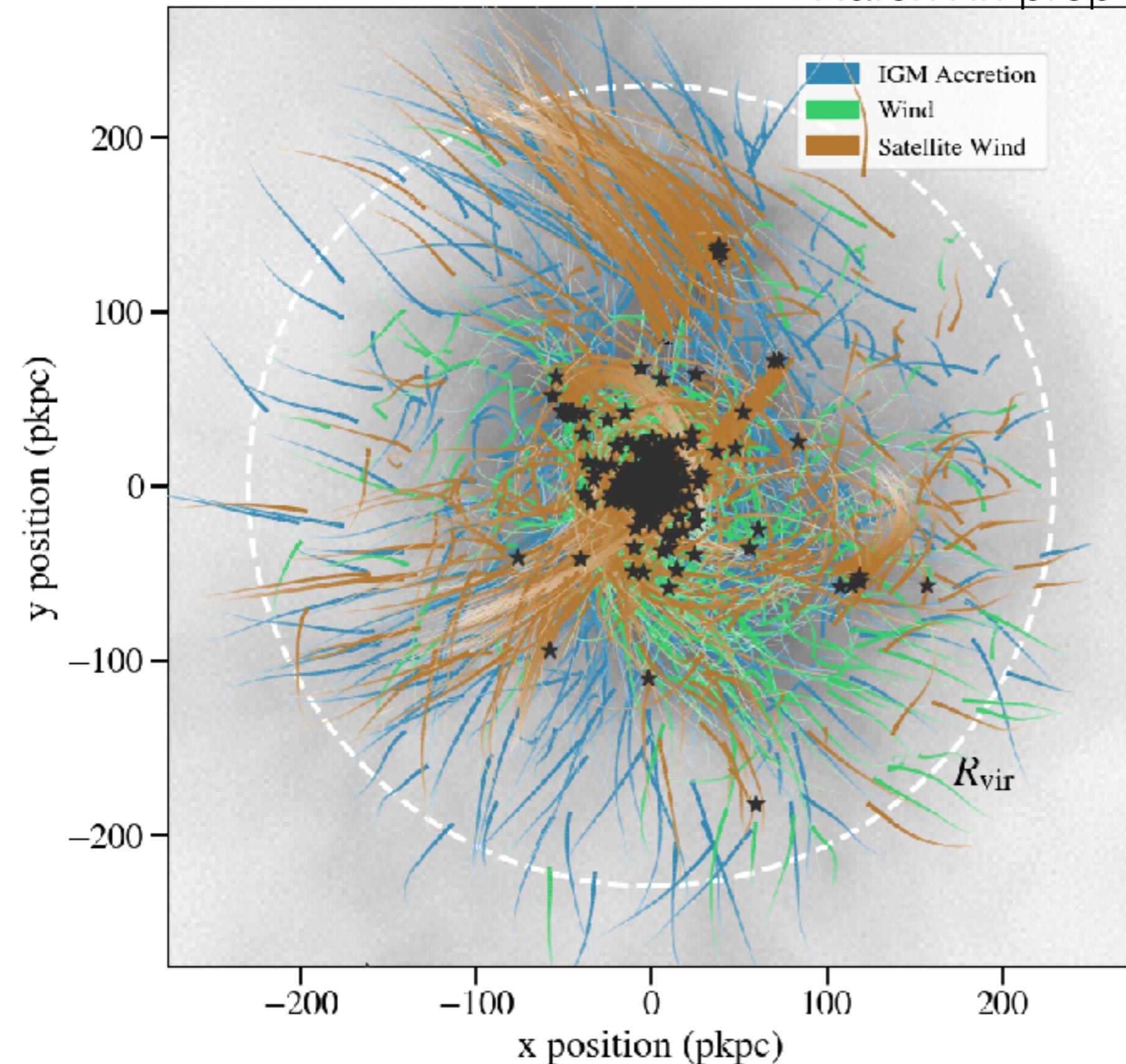


For simplicity, this only shows a sample of particles that have been in the CGM for 0.5-1 Gyr

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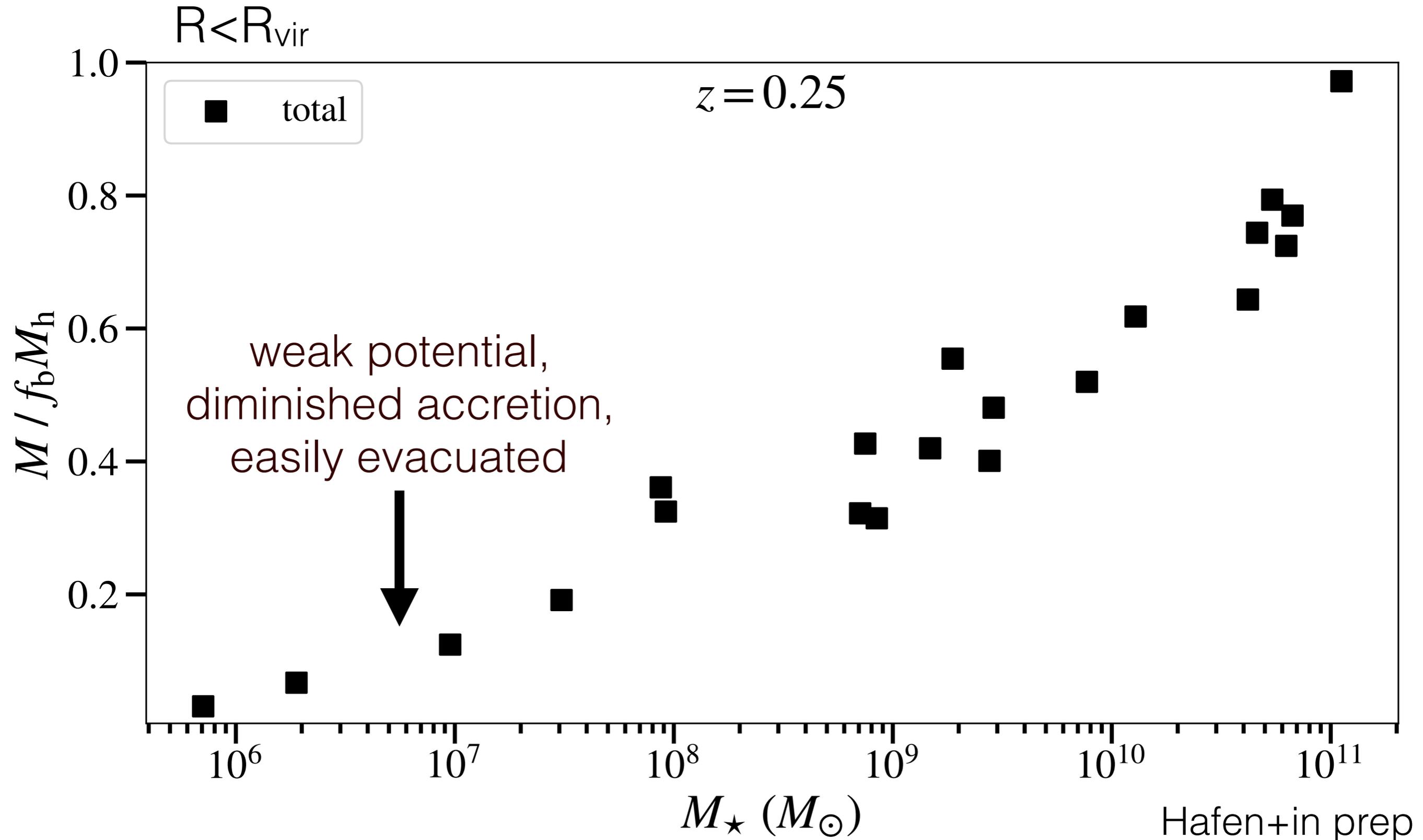
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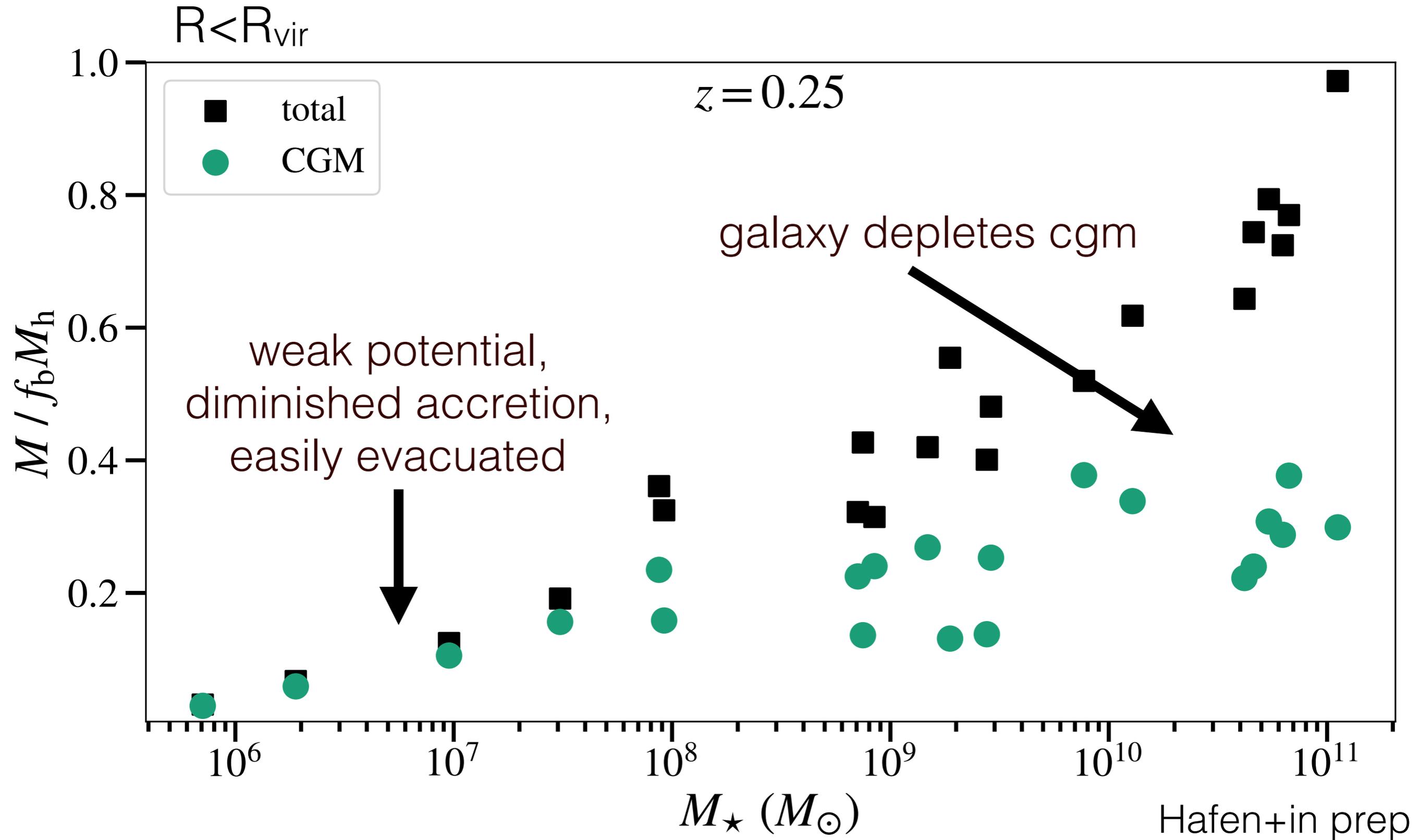
This shows trajectories for particles sampled from the CGM with no preselection

Complex trajectories suggest disentangling origins may be challenging...

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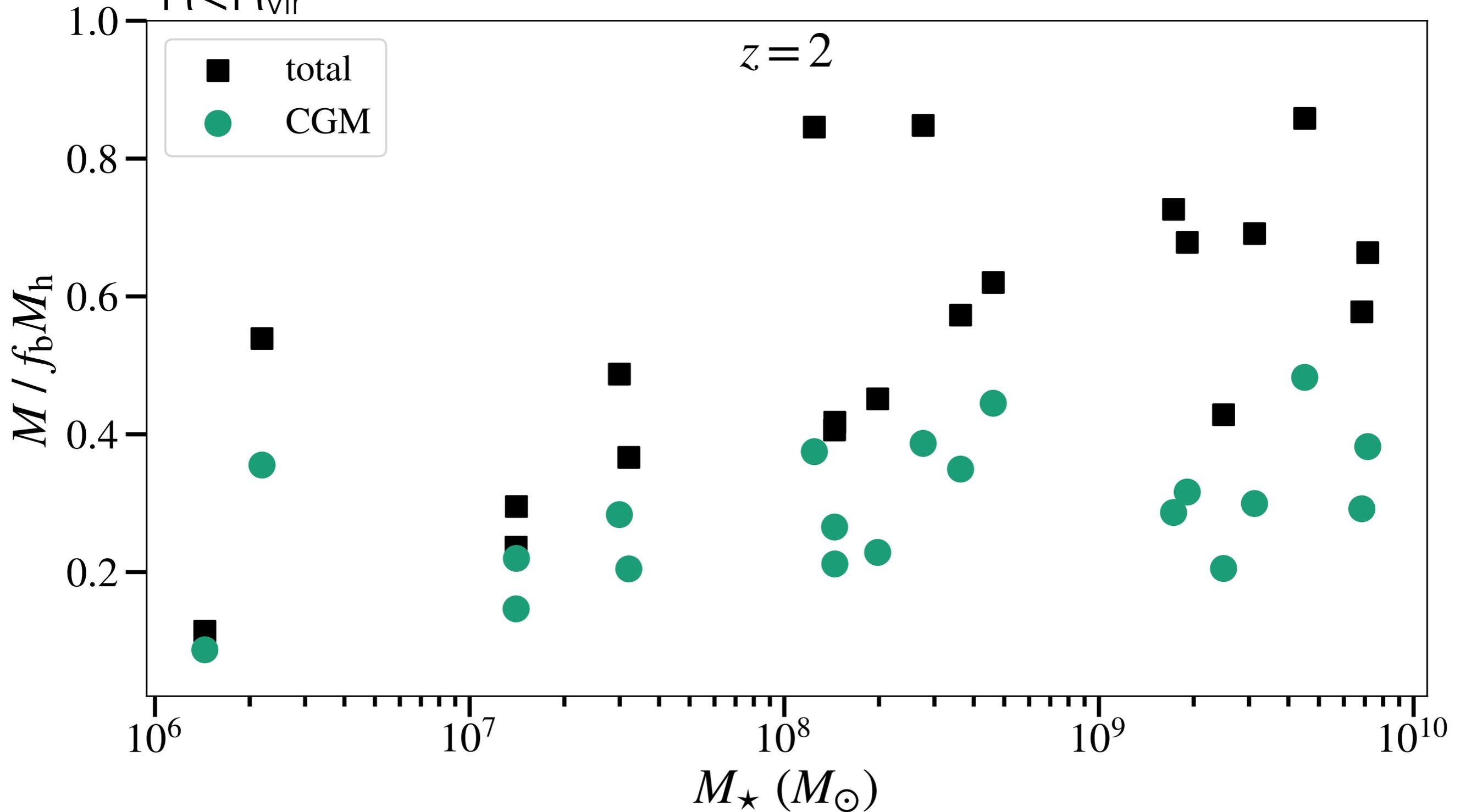


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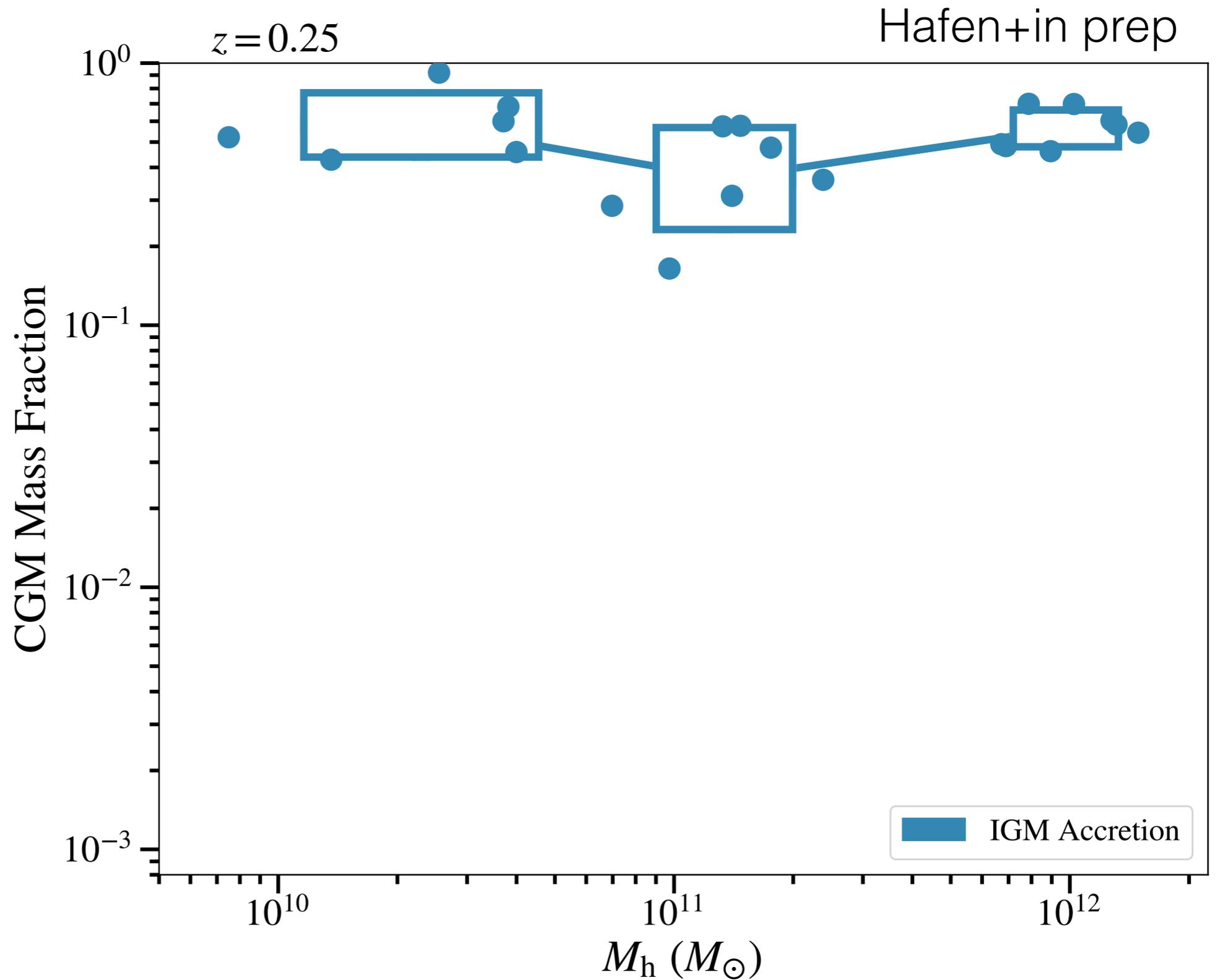
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$R < R_{\text{vir}}$



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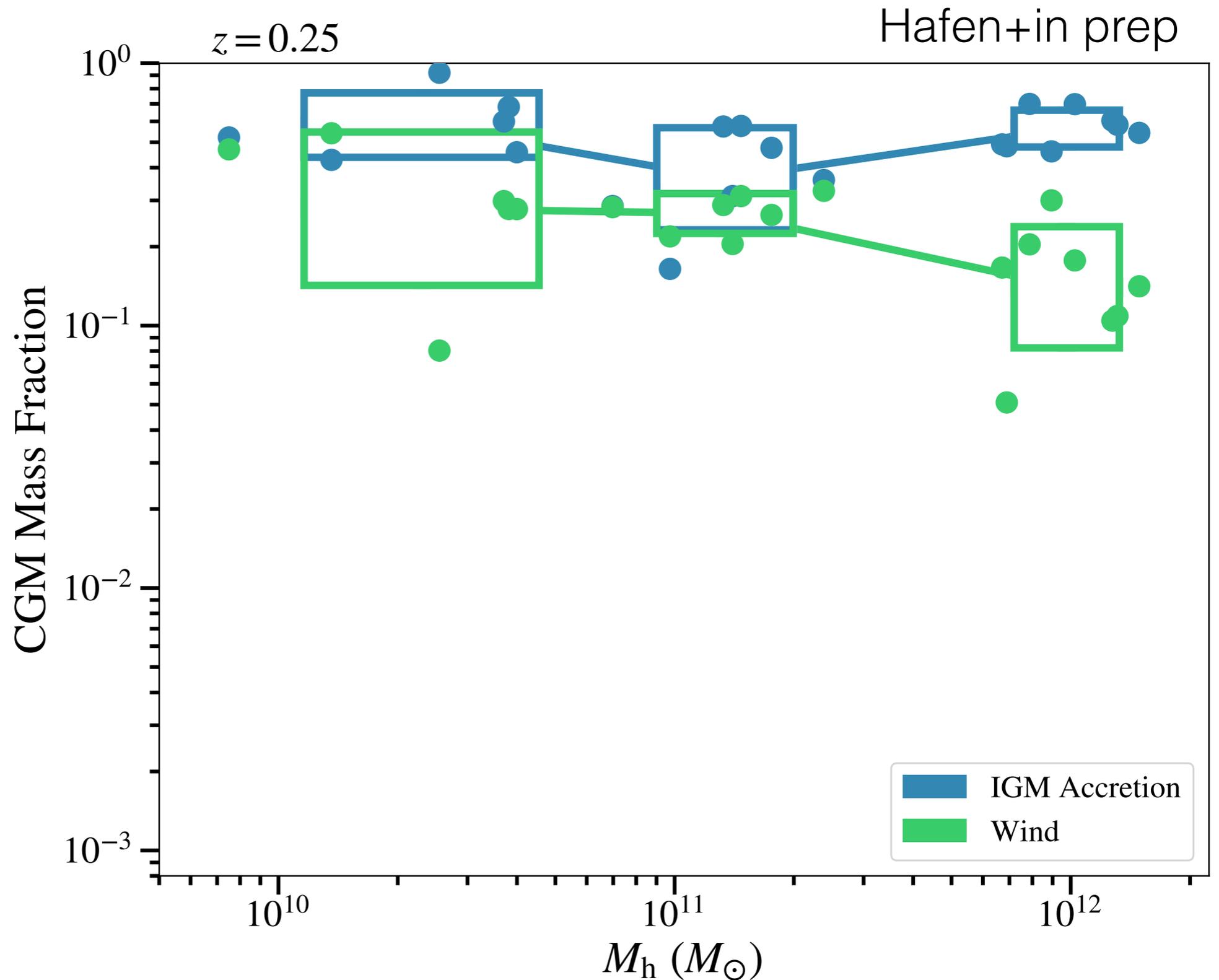
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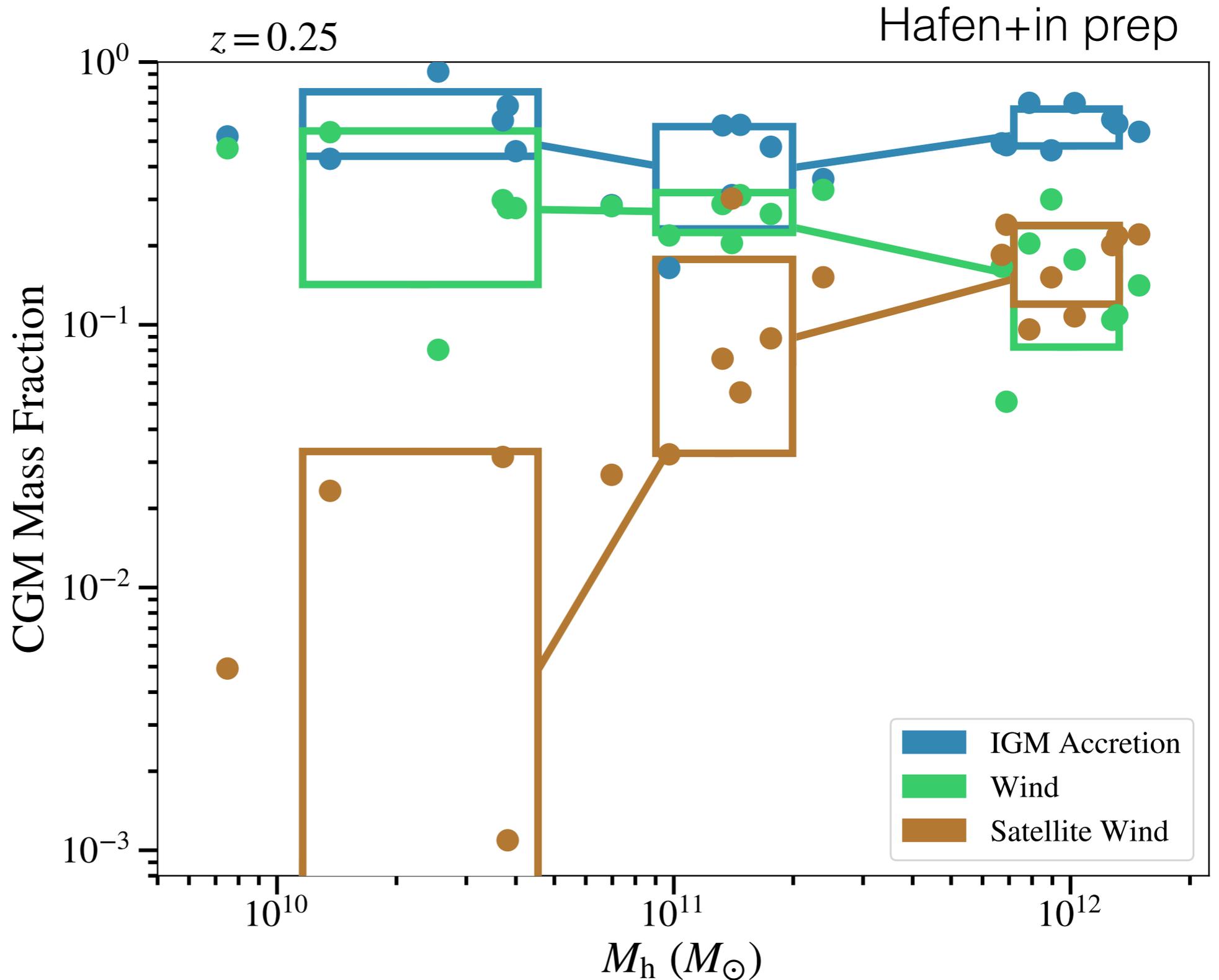


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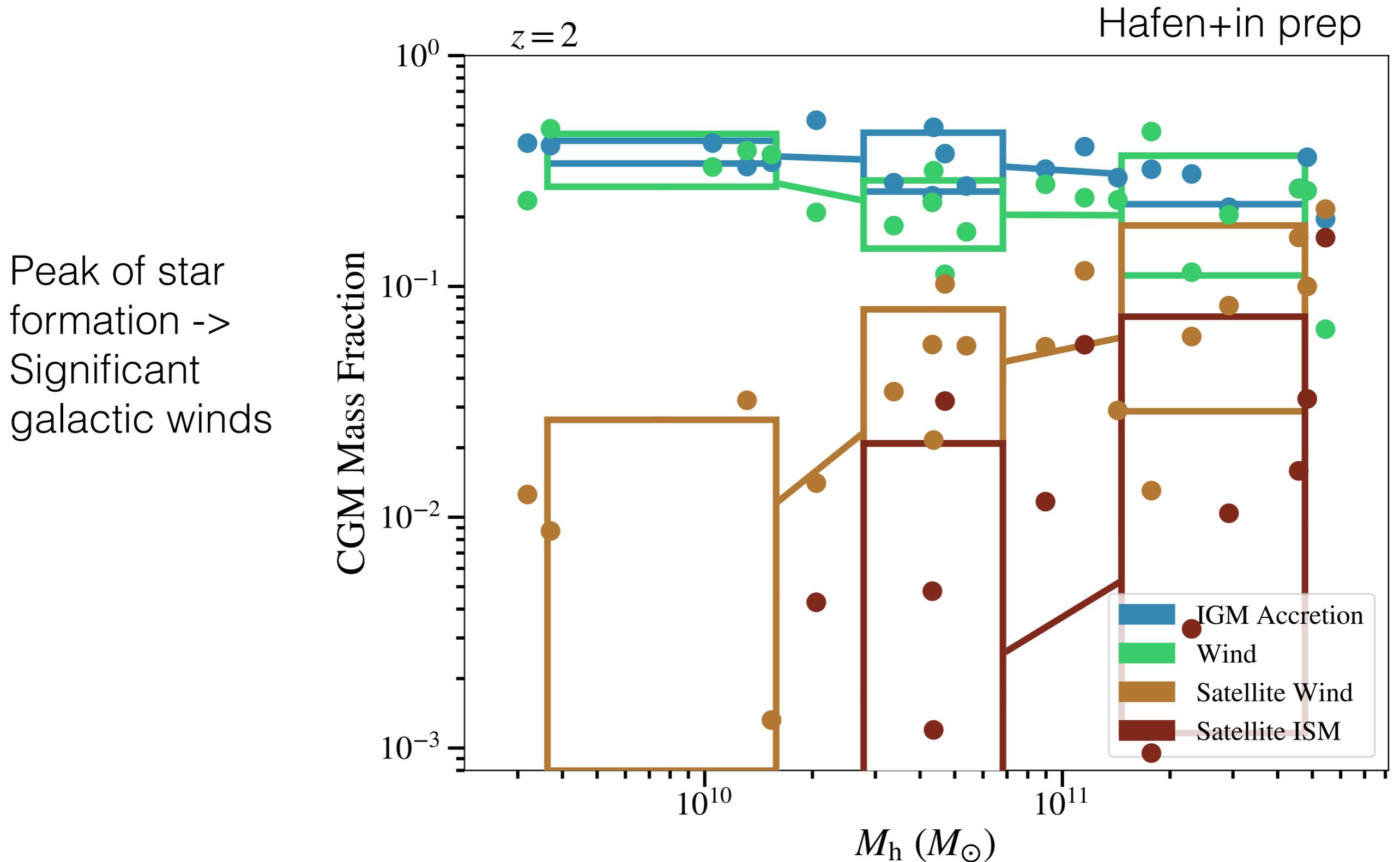
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Only MW mass galaxies have massive enough satellites for significant satellite wind



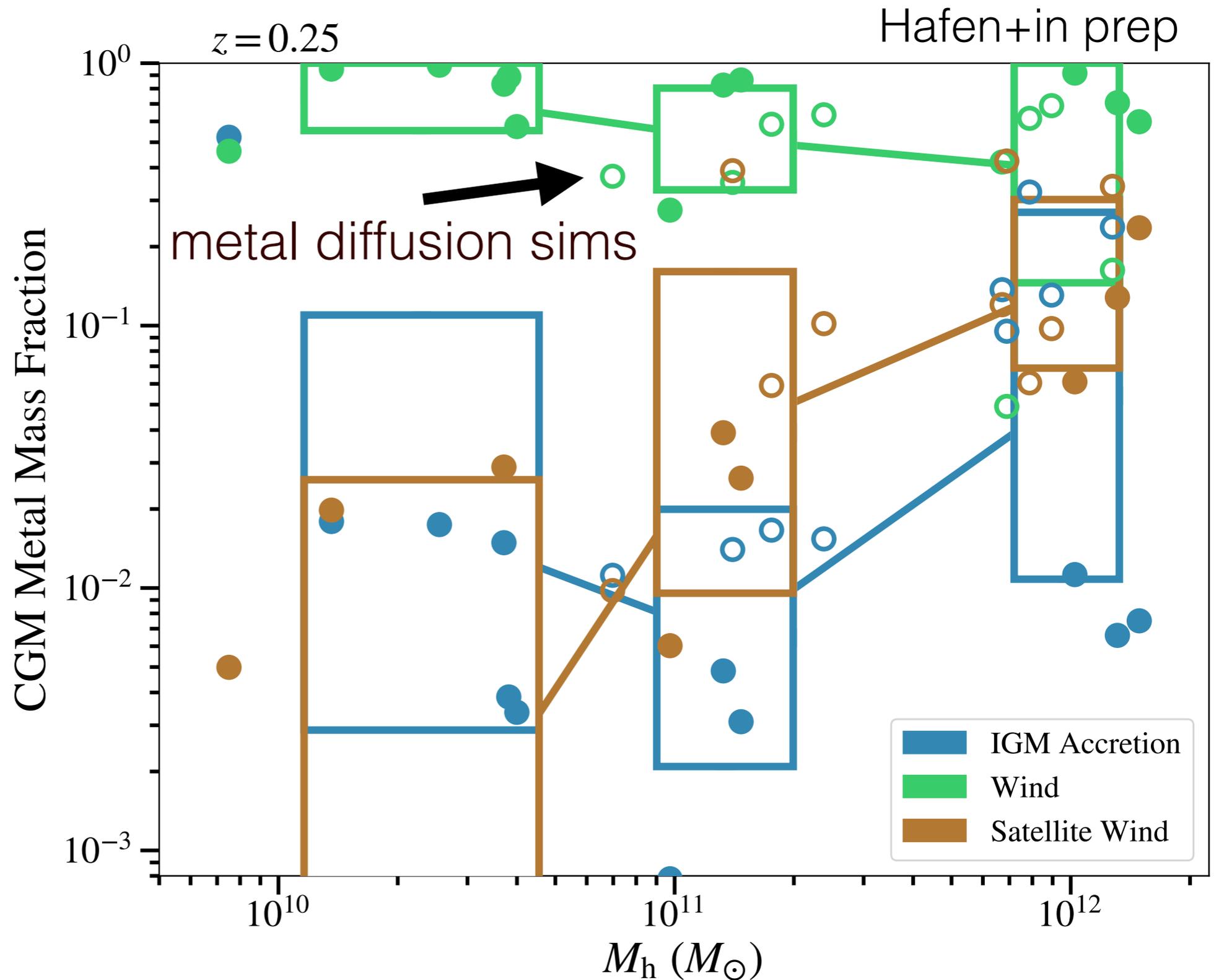
# Similar picture at $z=2$ , but winds contribute more mass for MW analogs



# Winds contribute most of the metal mass

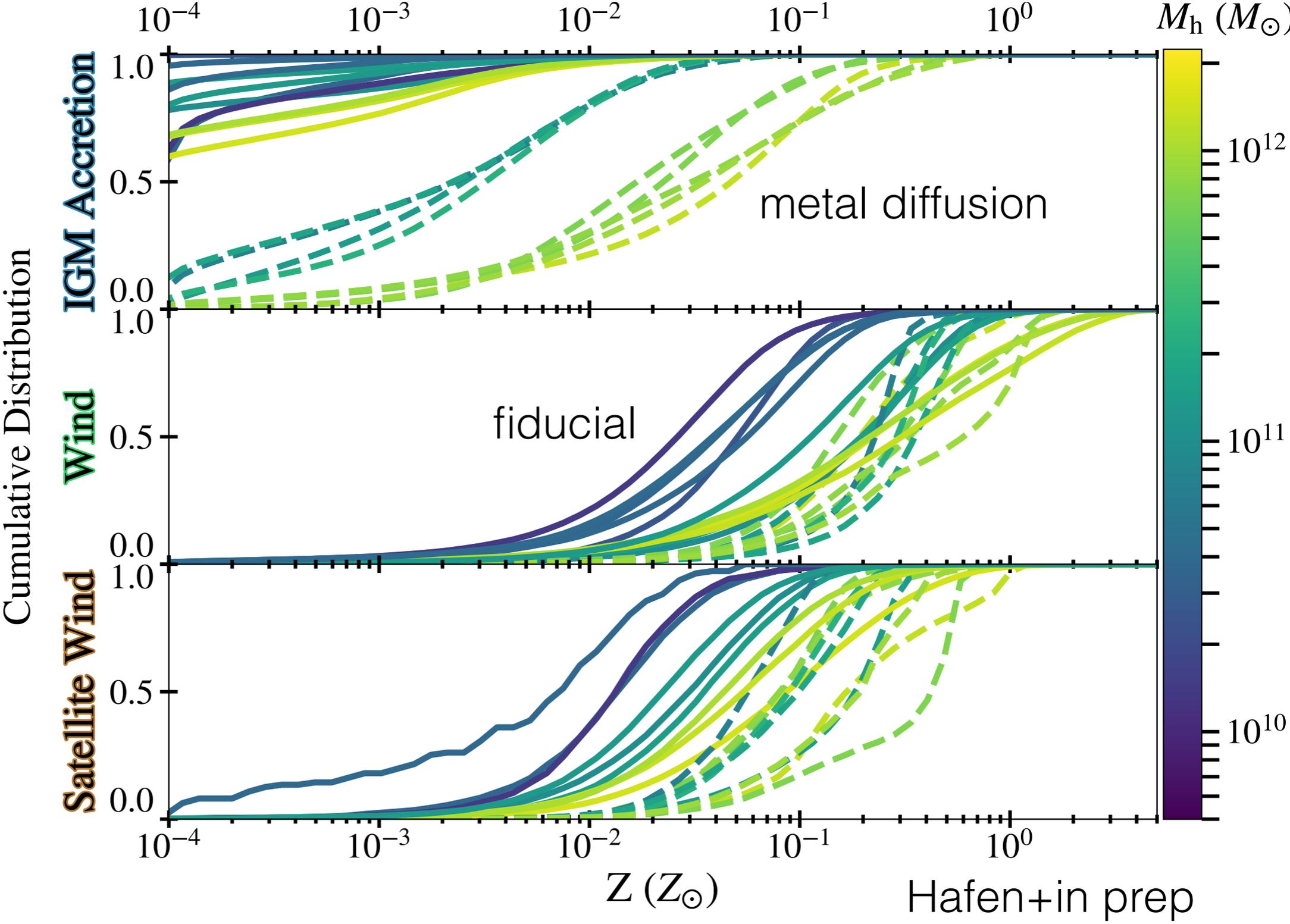
Metal diffusion complicates the picture

Satellite winds can be important!

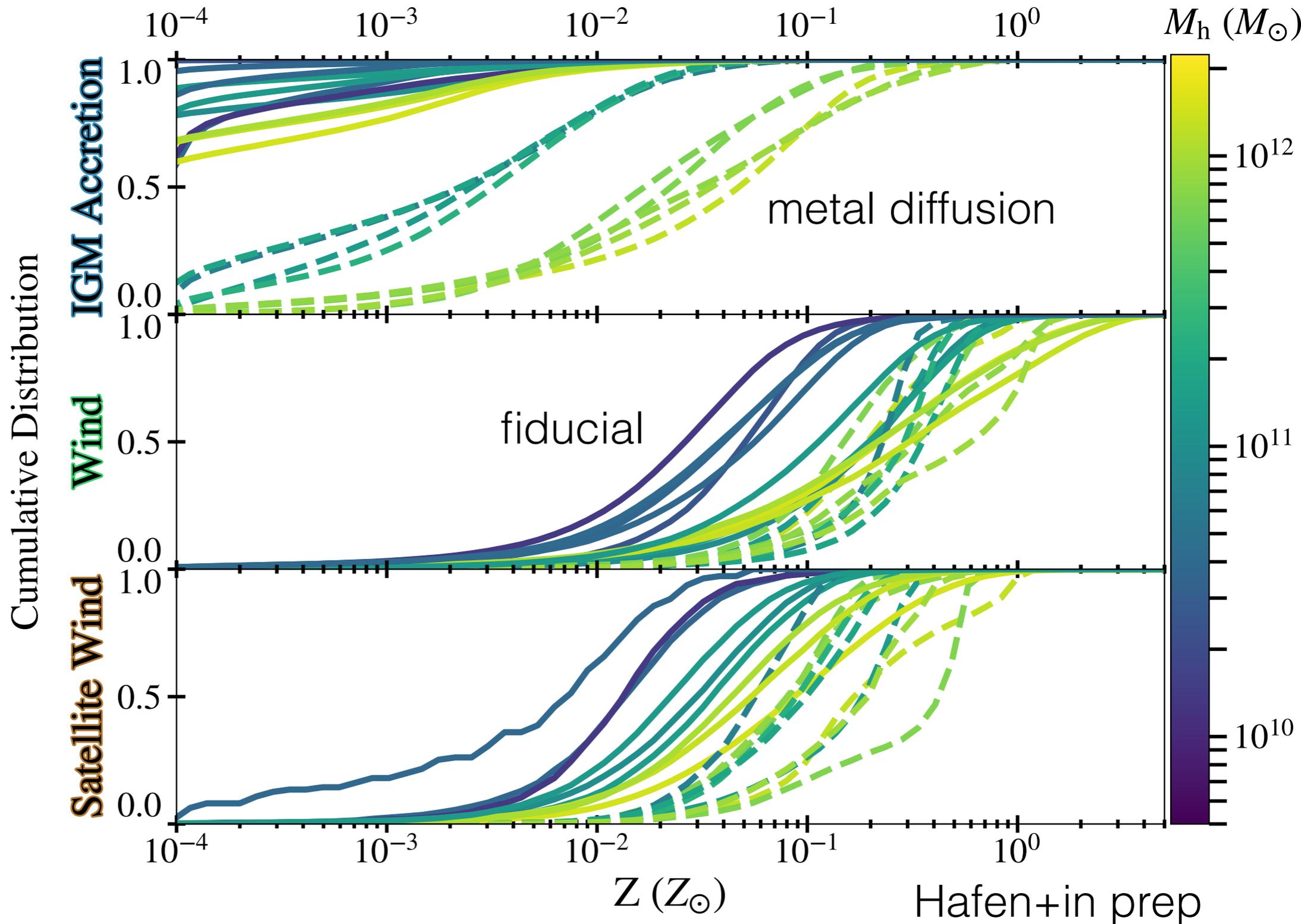


For a given halo mass, CGM gas flows with different origins have different metallicity distributions...

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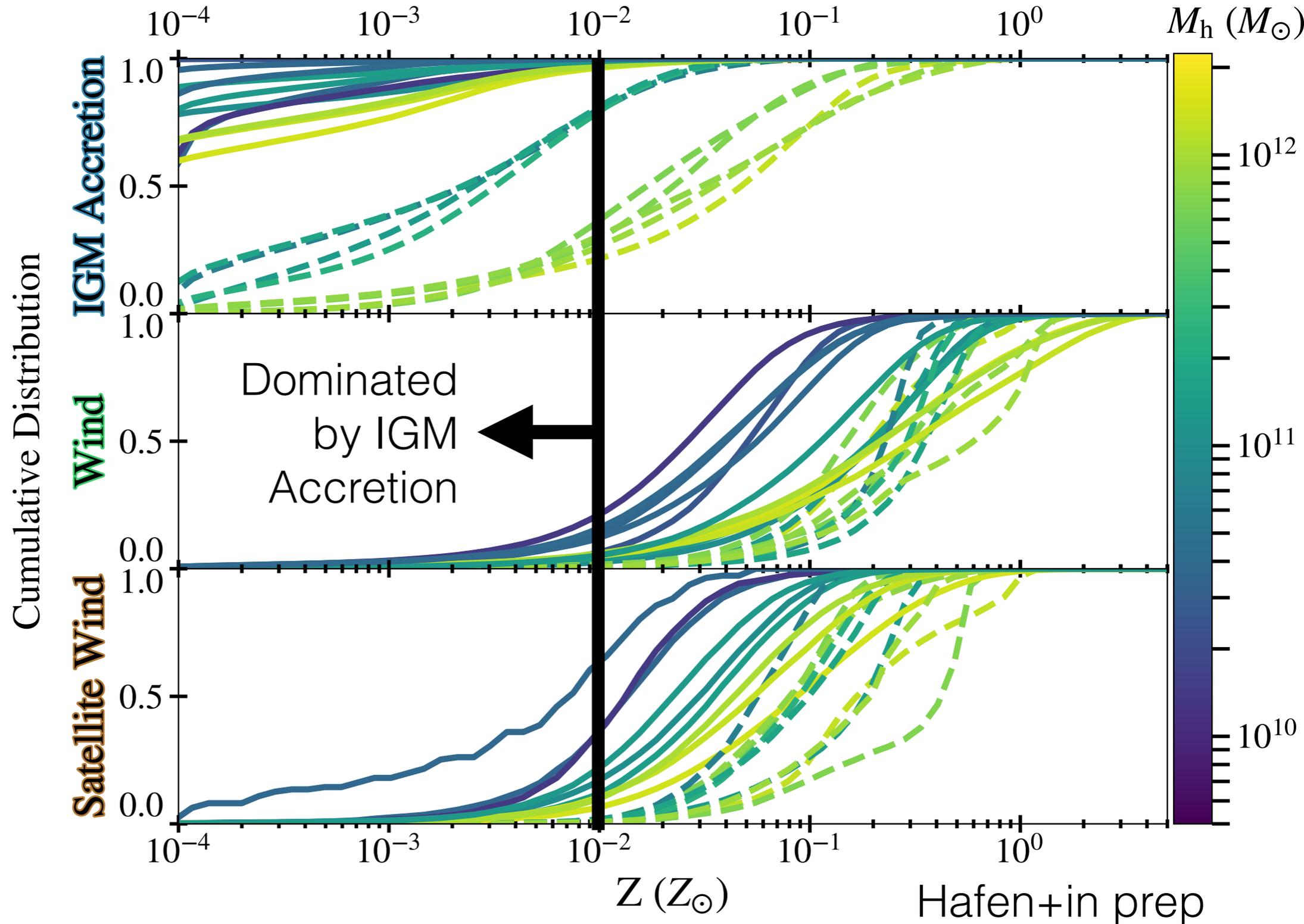
...but different mass halos produce a spread in metallicity.



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# Conclusions

- Studied origin of CGM mass ( $<R_{\text{vir}}$ ) over  $M_h = 10^{10}-10^{12} M_{\text{sun}}$  at  $z=0.25, 2$
- Feedback / weak accretion  $\rightarrow$  halo baryon mass is a larger fraction of the cosmological baryon budget at higher halo mass
- IGM accretion is  $> \sim 50\%$  of the CGM by mass
- Strong winds from the central galaxy can contribute significant CGM mass, especially at low  $M_h$  ( $> \sim 30\%$  at  $M_h \sim 10^{10}-10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}$ )
- Satellite winds can contribute up to  $\sim 20\%$ , but only for  $M_h \sim 10^{12} M_{\text{sun}}$
- Particle tracking suggests  $Z \sim 10^{-2} Z_{\text{sun}}$  may be useful for separating IGM accretion from winds, but further analysis is necessary

Explore for yourself!

[zhafen.github.io/Latte-CGM](https://github.com/zhafer/Latte-CGM)

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