

# **Galaxies and Extragalactic Astrophysics**

## **9. Clusters of Galaxies**

# Clusters of galaxies

## 9.1 Introduction

- In the standard CDM cosmological scenario, structure grows from primordial density fluctuations due to the effect of gravity
- Clusters of Galaxies constitute the largest gravitationally collapsed structures in the universe
- Clusters are composed mainly of galaxies, hot gas and dark matter
- Clusters are important: cosmological probes, galaxy evolution, physics of the intracluster medium
- Cluster detection/study: optical/NIR, radio, X-rays, lensing

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## 9.1 Introduction

- The first systematic study was carried out by Abell (1958) who compiled an extensive, statistically complete catalogue of rich clusters that has been one of the basic tools to study clusters.
- Clusters of galaxies were first detected in X-ray in the early 70s with the large sky area observations of the Uhuru X-ray satellite (Giacconi et al, 1972).
- The hot gas was detected in the 90's in radio (SZ effect)

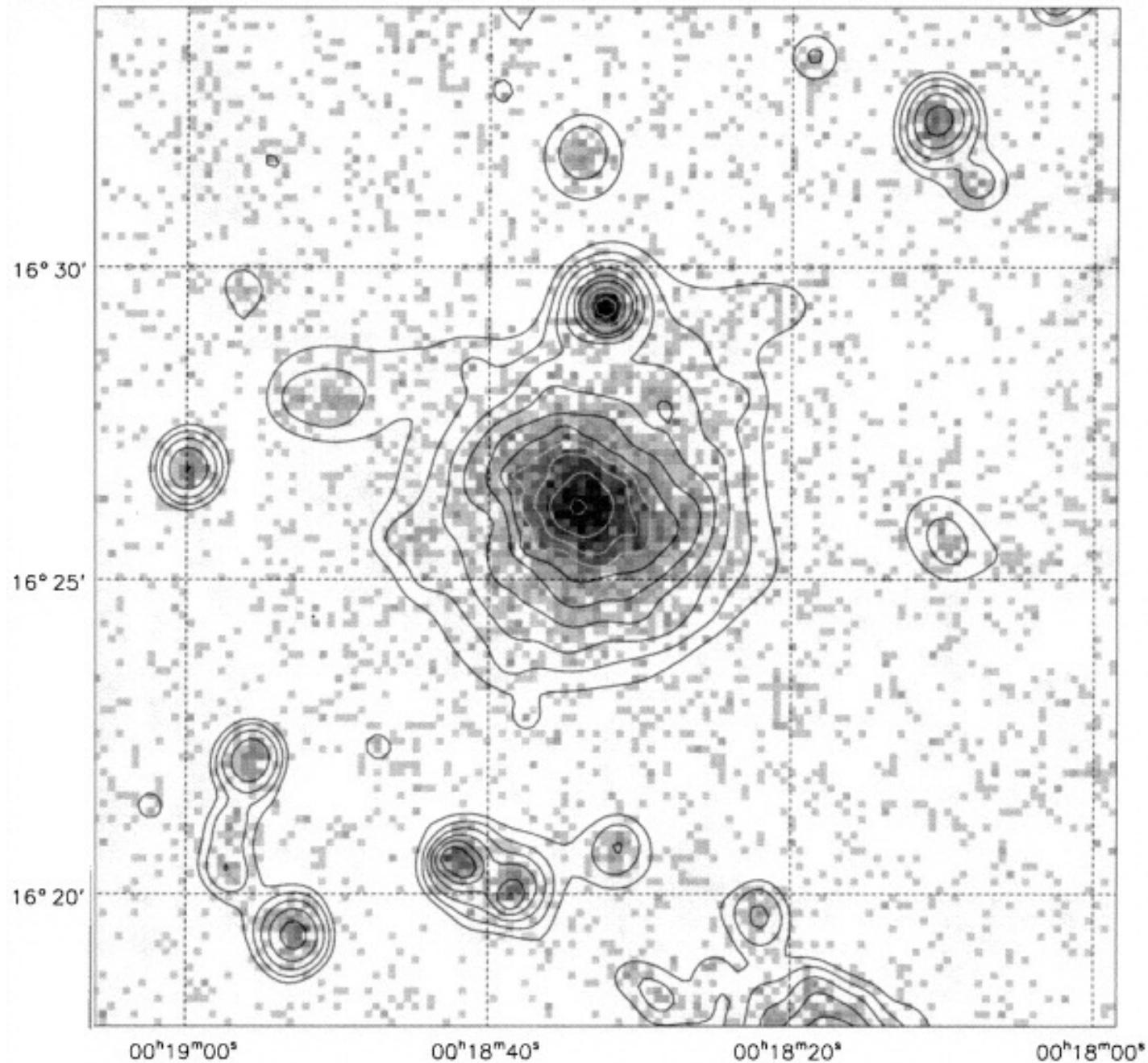


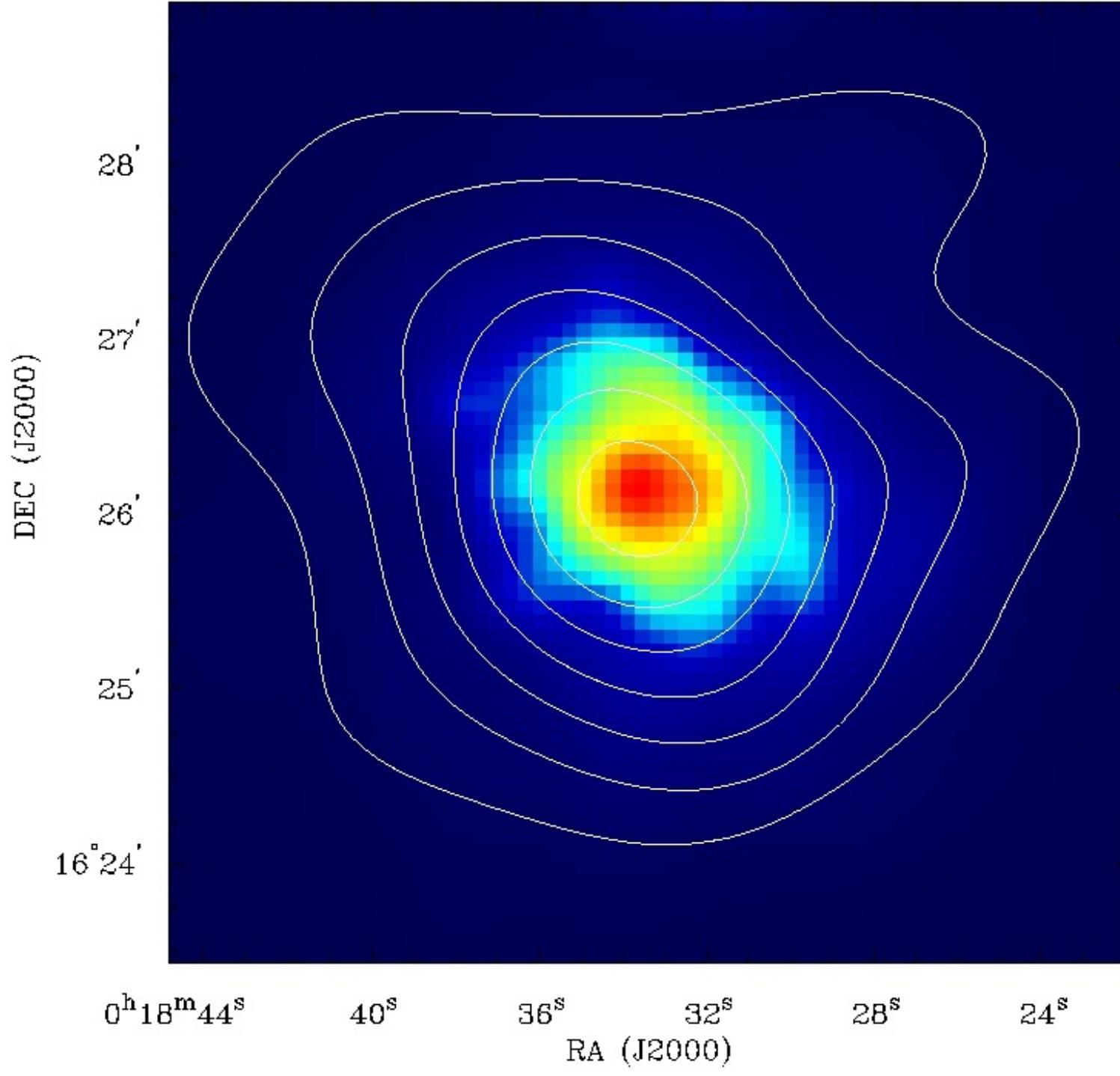




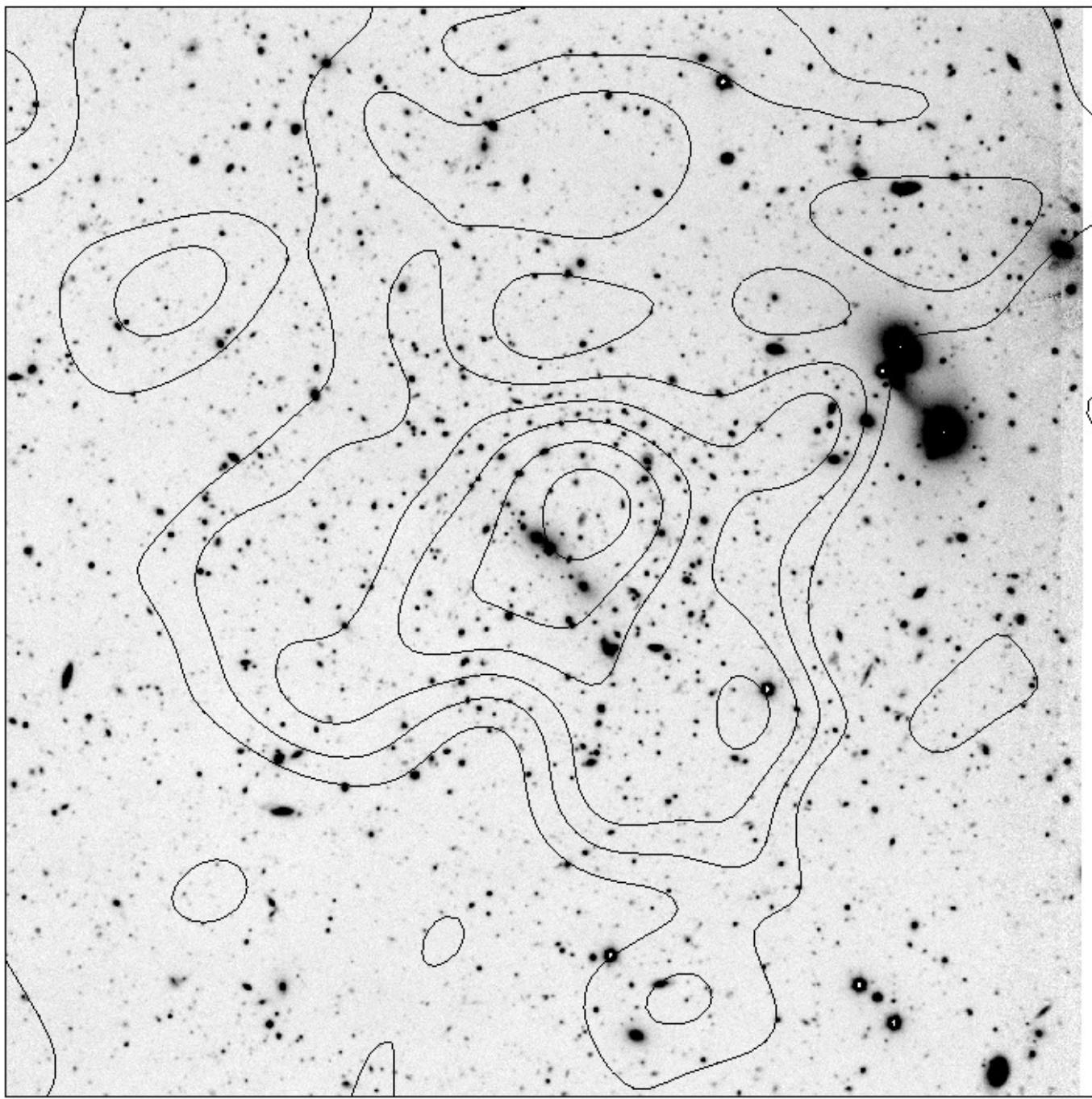








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## 9.2 Optical Properties

- Galaxy members  $\sim 1000$
- Size:  $R \sim 1.5 \text{ Mpc}$
- Mass  $\sim 10^{13-15} \text{ Msolar}$
- baryon fraction:  $\sim 10\text{-}20 \%$
- Proportion of universe galaxies:  $\sim 10\%$
- Galaxy types: E, S0, S

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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Catalogues

- The most extensive and more widely used catalogues of rich clusters are those of Abell (1958) and Abell et al 1989 and Zwicky et al 1961-68.
- Selected by visual inspection of photographic plates
- Clusters are selected as overdensities compared to a background
- Abell's criteria: (1) at least 50 galaxies in the magnitude range  $m_3$  to  $m_3+2$ , (2) contained in a radius  $R_A=1.7/z$  arcmin; (3) estimated cluster redshift  $0.02 < z < 0.20$

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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Catalogues

- With the advent of high QE CCDs in the early 90s, optical cluster catalogues revived.
- Automated searches:
- Match Filter: Palomar Distant Cluster Survey (Postman et al 1996): selection filtering the data with a model of the spatial and luminosity distribution.
- Voronoid tessellation: (Kim et al 2002)
- Colour selection: Red Cluster Sequence (Gladders & Yee 2000), RedMaPPer (Rykoff, Rozo et al 2014)

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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Richness

- Number of galaxies in the cluster
- Statistical measure depending on membership criteria

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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Luminosity Function

- Gives the number distribution of the luminosities of the galaxies
- Schechter luminosity function
- parameters

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## Morphological classification

- Based on different properties
- Zwicky: compact, medium compact, open
- Bautz-Morgan: Type I, II, III
- Rood-Sastry: cD, B, L, C, F, I

cD

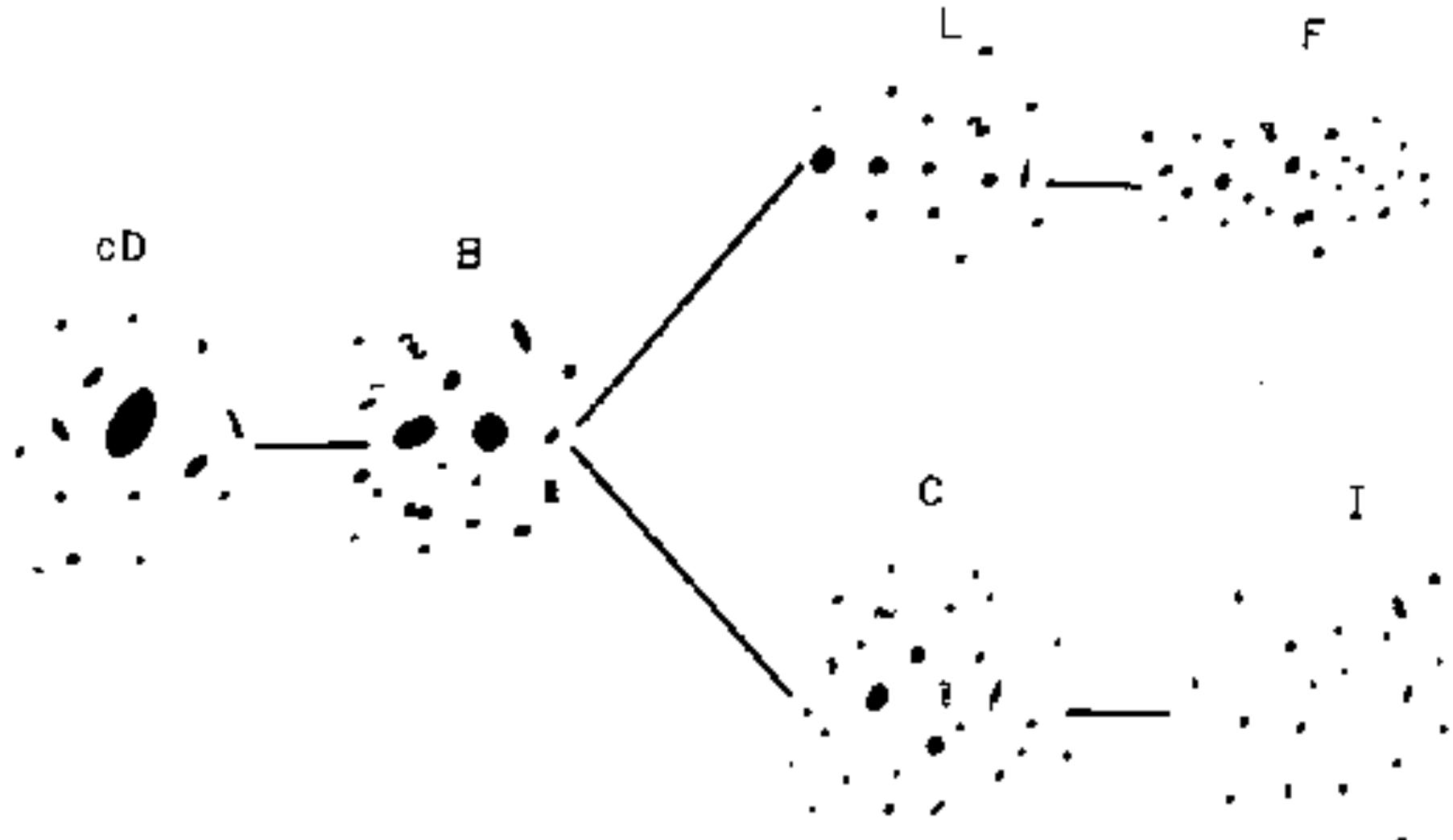
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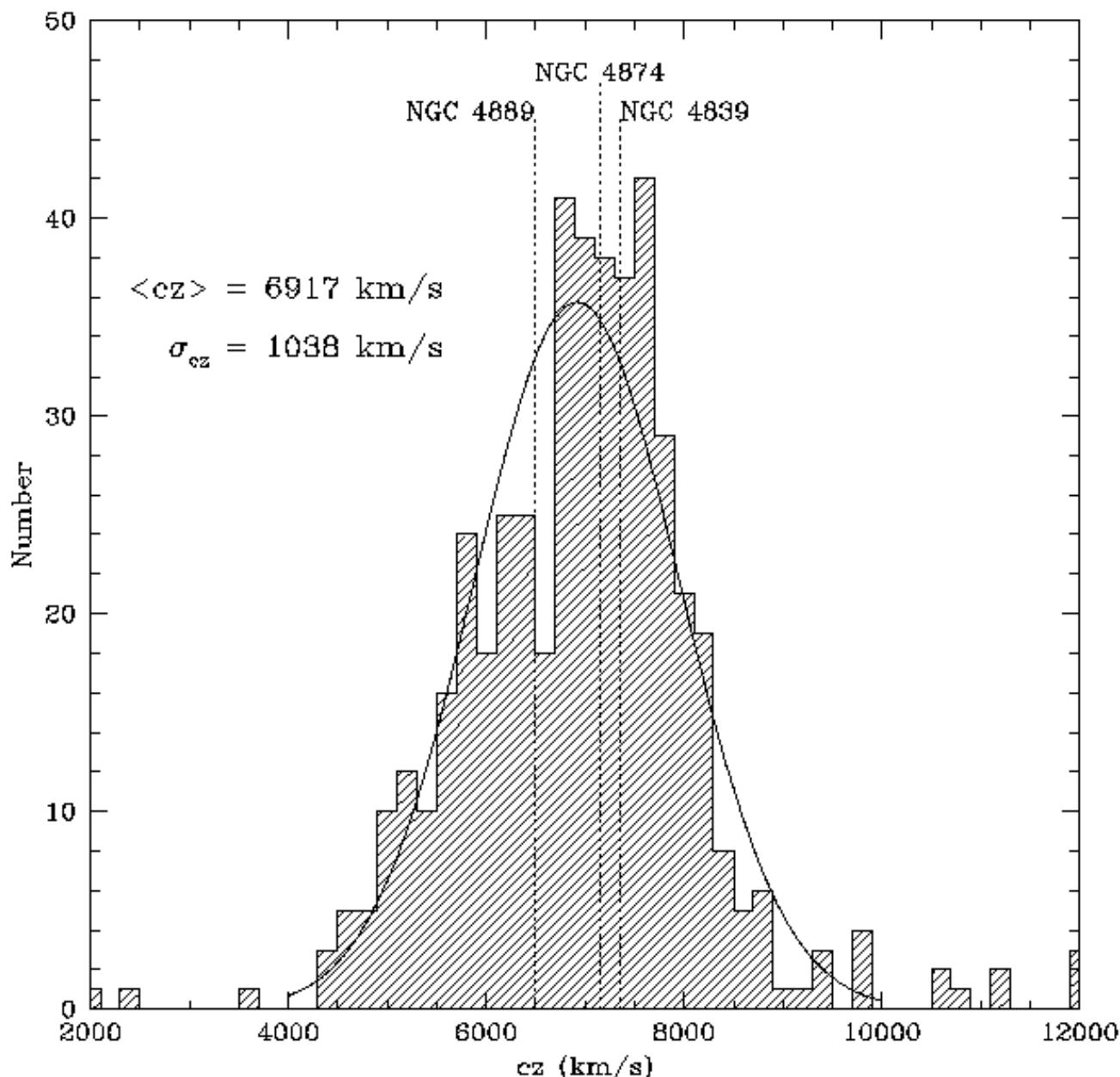


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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Velocity distribution

- Existence of morphological sequence from irregular to regular suggests that regular clusters may have undergone some sort of relaxation
- The redshift of a cluster is determined from the mean radial velocity of galaxies in a cluster
- Normally, the velocity distribution is characterized by the dispersion of radial velocities around the mean. The velocity dispersion completely characterizes the radial distribution function of velocities if it is Gaussian
- Radial velocity distribution are found to be close to Gaussian suggesting that they are at least partly relaxed systems in which one can define a “temperature”

$$\sigma_r = (kT/m)^{1/2}$$



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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Spatial distribution

- The most regular clusters show a smooth galaxy distribution with a concentrated core
- Normally five parameters: position, central projected density, core scale and maximum radial extent

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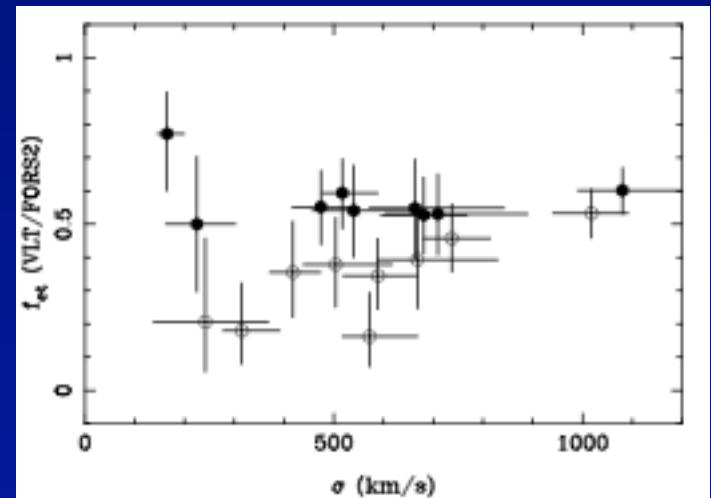
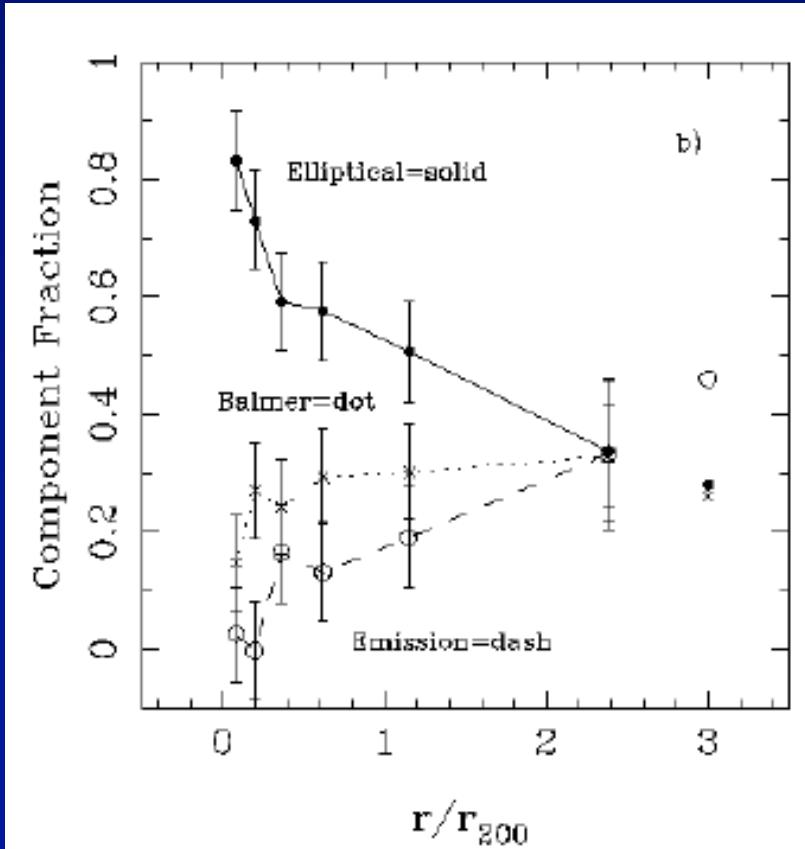
## 9.2 Optical Properties: Cluster masses

- Assuming that clusters are bound, self-gravitating system one can calculate their masses
- If clusters were not bound they would disperse as their crossing times ( $t_{\text{cr}} \sim 10^9$  years) are shorter than their ages
- Virial theorem
- M/L ratios
- Missing mass: Dark Matter

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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Galactic Content

- cD
- Proportion of E, S0, Sp





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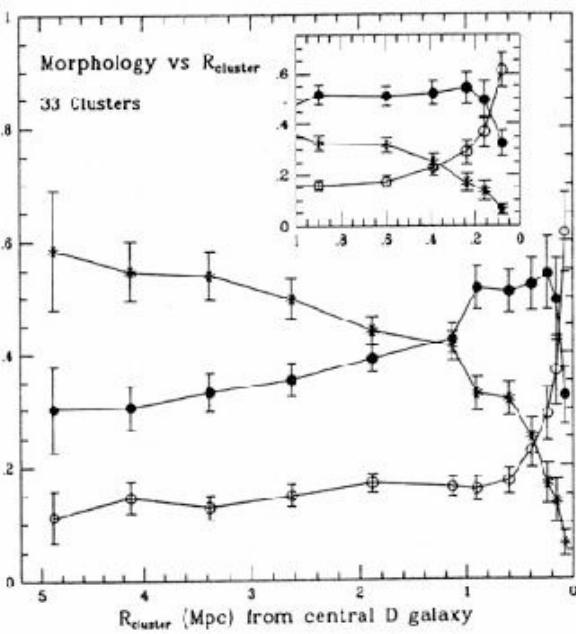
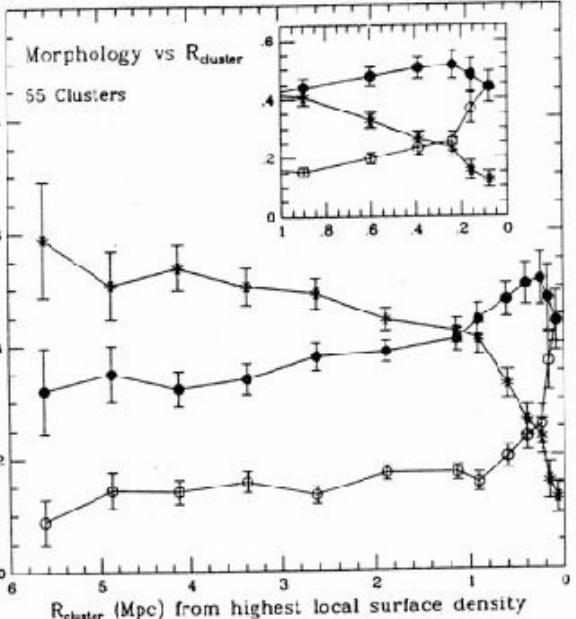
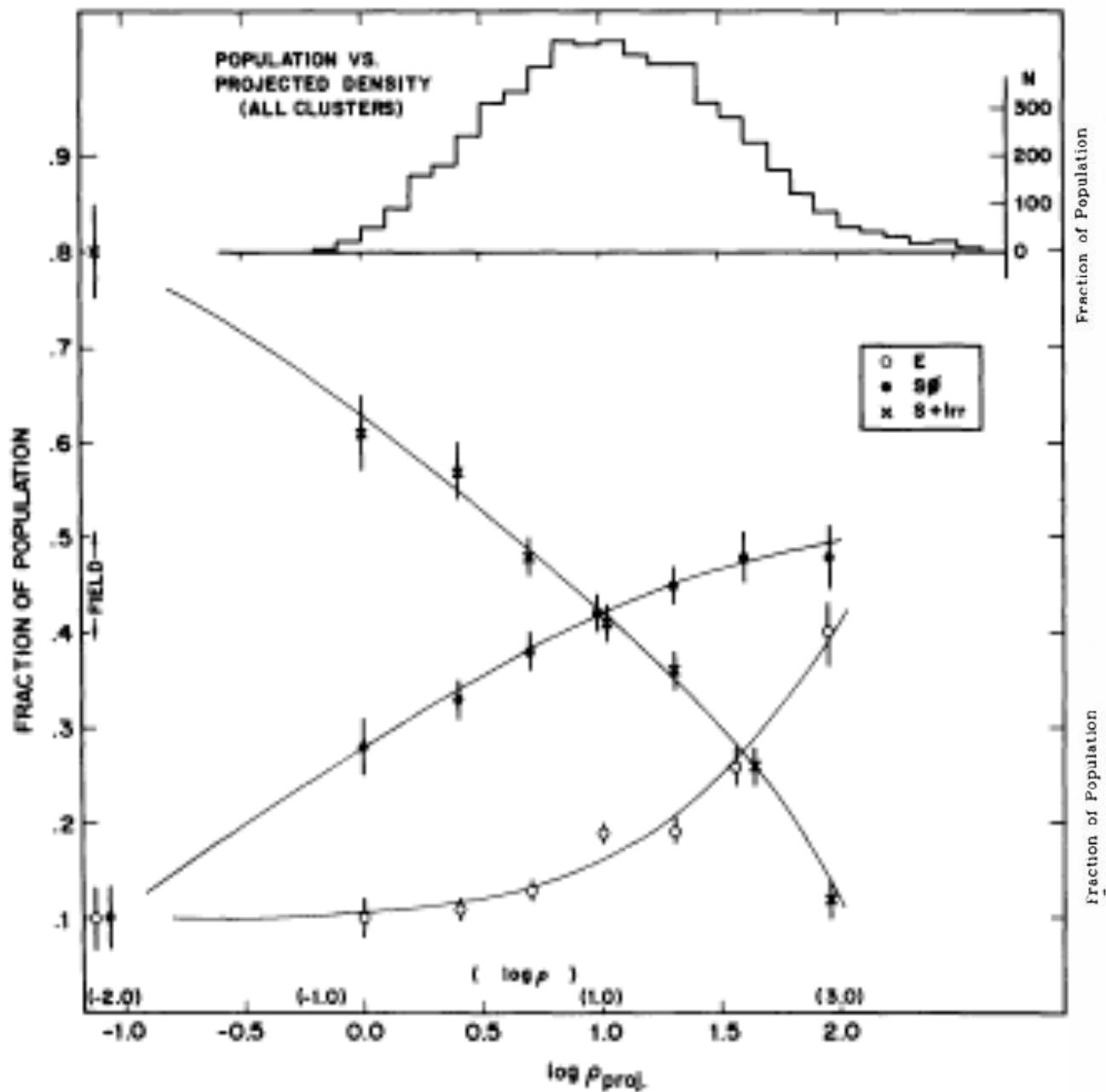
cD Galaxy in Abell496 Field (MPG/ESO 2.2-m + WFI)

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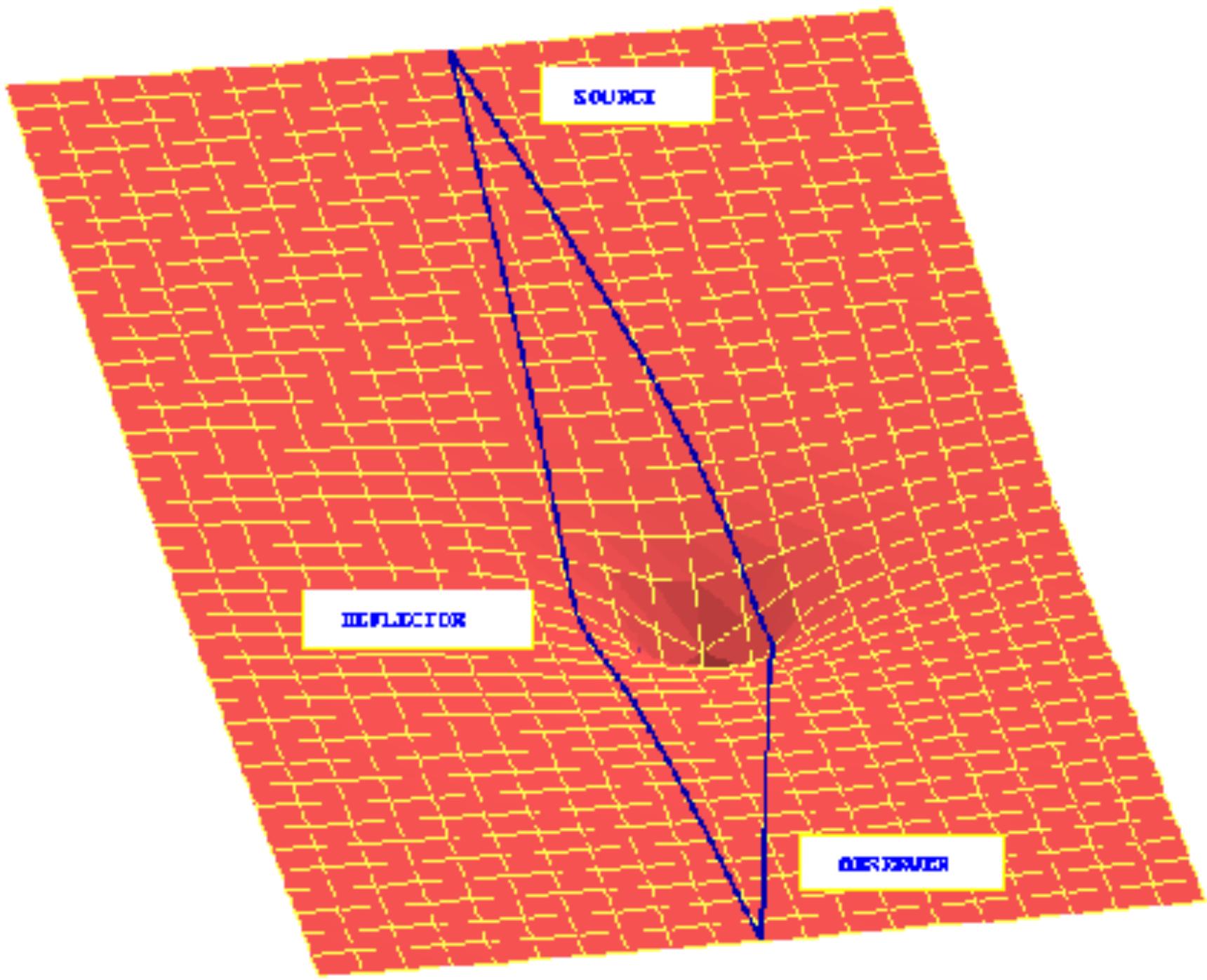


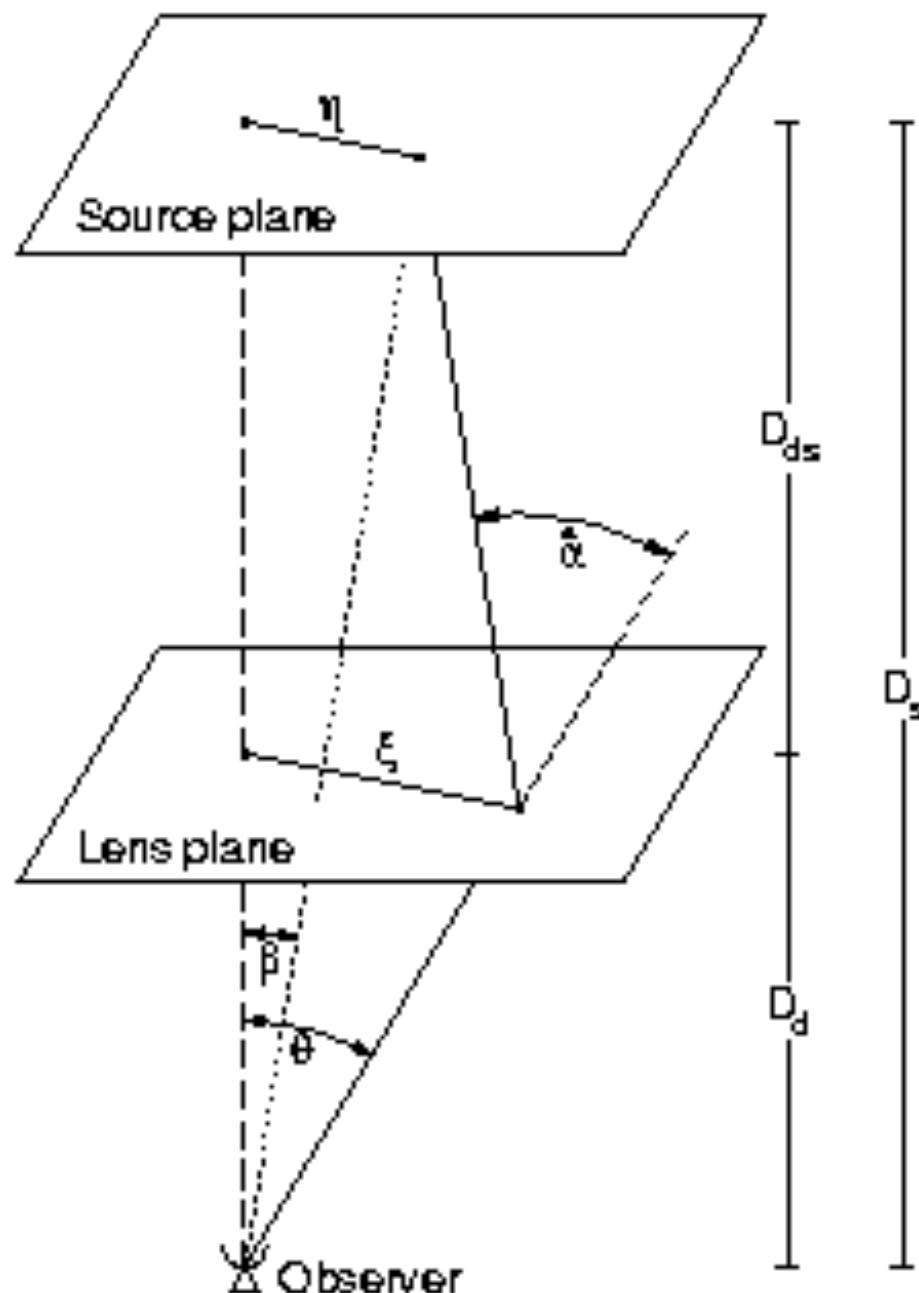
Dressler 1980: Morphology-density relation

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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Gravitational lensing

- Gravitational lensing is the deflection of light due to gravitational potentials
- Normally, two regimes are considered
  - Strong lensing
  - Weak lensing





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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Gravitational lensing

- Strong lensing: Multiple images of the lensed background objects are produced



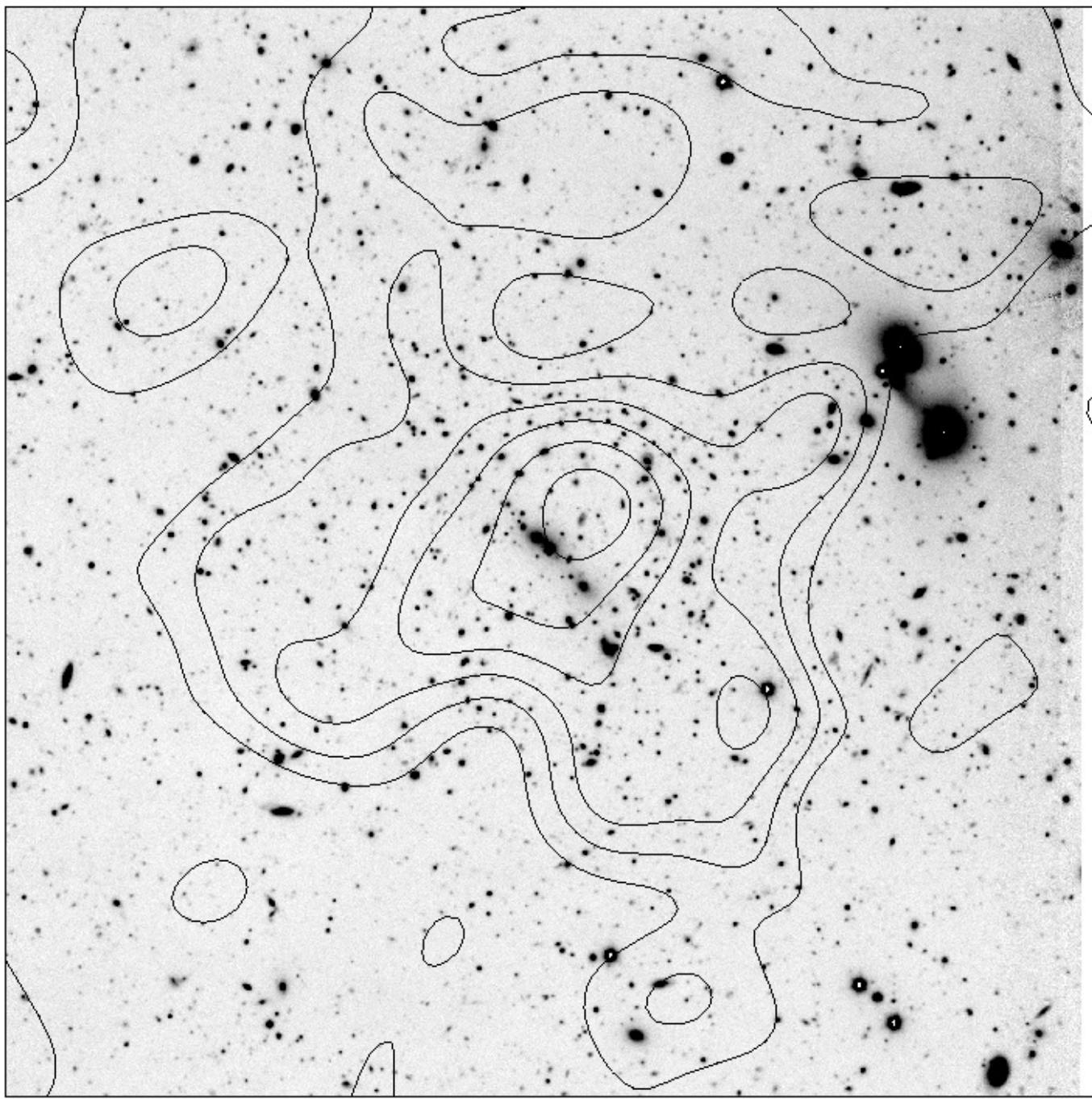
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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Gravitational lensing

- Weak lensing: Background galaxies are distorted and magnified/demagnified due to the large cluster gravitational potential



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## 9.2 Optical Properties: Gravitational lensing equations

$$\vec{\eta} = \frac{D_s}{D_d} \vec{\xi} - D_{ds} \hat{\alpha}(\vec{\xi}) .$$

$$\vec{\beta} = \vec{\theta} - \frac{D_{ds}}{D_s} \hat{\alpha}(D_d \vec{\theta}) \equiv \vec{\theta} - \vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta})$$

$$\partial \vec{\beta} = \mathcal{A} \partial \vec{\theta}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\vec{\theta}) = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi(\vec{\theta})}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 - \kappa - \gamma_1 & -\gamma_2 \\ -\gamma_2 & 1 - \kappa + \gamma_1 \end{array} \right),$$

$$\Sigma(\vec{\xi}) \equiv \int dr_3 \rho(\xi_1, \xi_2, r_3)$$

$$\kappa(\vec{\theta}) = \frac{\Sigma(D_d \vec{\theta})}{\Sigma_{\text{cr}}}$$

$$\Sigma_{\text{cr}} = \frac{c^2}{4\pi G} \frac{D_s}{D_d D_{ds}}$$

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## 9.3 X-ray Properties

- Clusters of Galaxies form from gravitational collapse of high density peaks
- Cluster collapse dominated by dark matter with baryons following the potential wells dominated by dark matter
- During collapse the baryons suffer adiabatic compression and heating by gravitationally induced shocks, resulting in the formation of a hot intracluster medium
- For typical cluster masses ( $\sim 10^{15} M_\odot$ ) the gas reaches temperatures of several  $10^7$  °K and becomes fully ionized.
- 10-15% cluster mass is hot gas trapped in the cluster potential well

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## 9.3 X rays properties

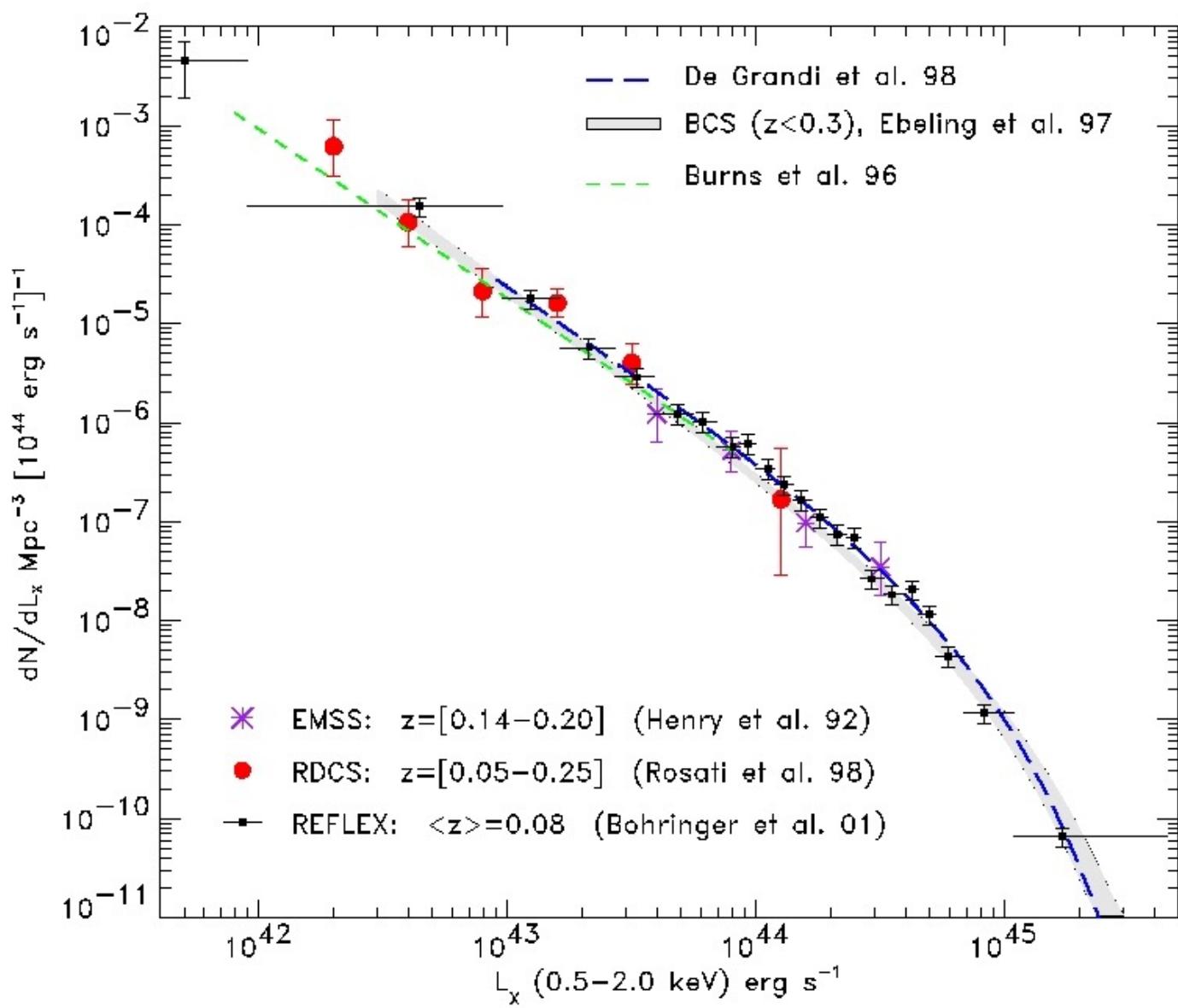
- If gas dynamics corresponds to galaxy dynamics:  
 $k_B T \sim \mu m_p \sigma_v^2 \sim 6 (\sigma_v / 1000 \text{ kms}^{-1})^2 \text{ keV}$
- The hot fully ionized ICM emits thermal bremsstrahlung in X-rays
- The spectrum can be characterized by Raymond-Smith (1977) spectrum: thermal bremsstrahlung, lines and edges. Further refinements: Mekal (Mewe et al 1985, Kaastra 1992 & Liehdal 1995)

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## 9.3 X ray Properties: X-ray luminosity & luminosity function

- Observe count-rates => flux => luminosity
- They are extremely luminous  $L_x \sim 10^{43-45}$  erg/s
- The luminosity function is the number of clusters per unit volume with X-ray luminosities in the range of  $L_x$  to  $L_x + dL_x$  :  $f(L_x)dL_x$
- The observed luminosity function is well-fit to a Schechter function

$$f(L_x) = A (L/L_*)^\alpha \exp(-L/L_*)$$



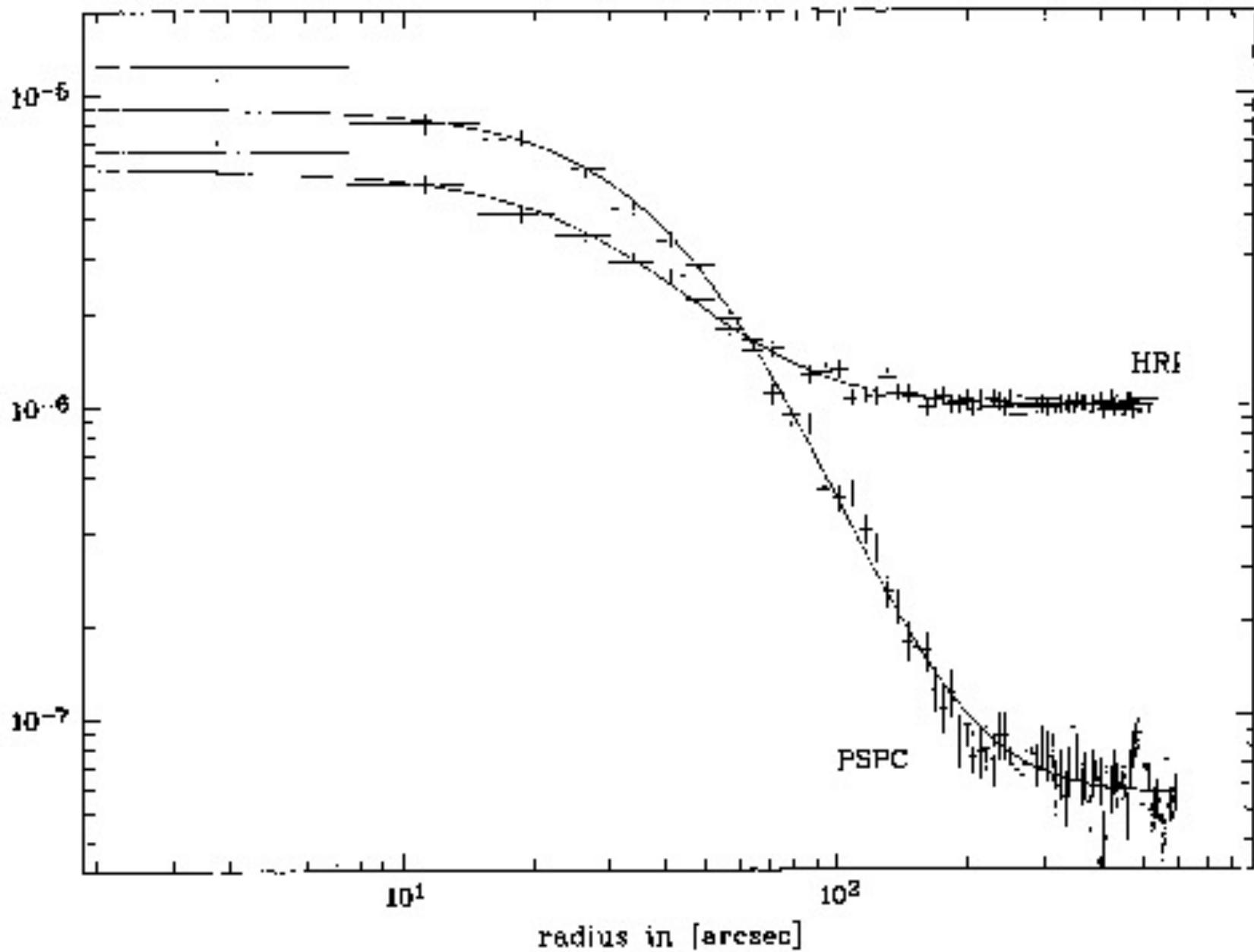
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## 9.3 X-ray Properties: Spatial distribution of X-ray emission

- Extended emission
- The surface brightness is well fit in the majority of cases by the so-called beta model profile

$$S_x = S_{xo} [1 + (r/r_c)^2]^{-3\beta+1/2}$$

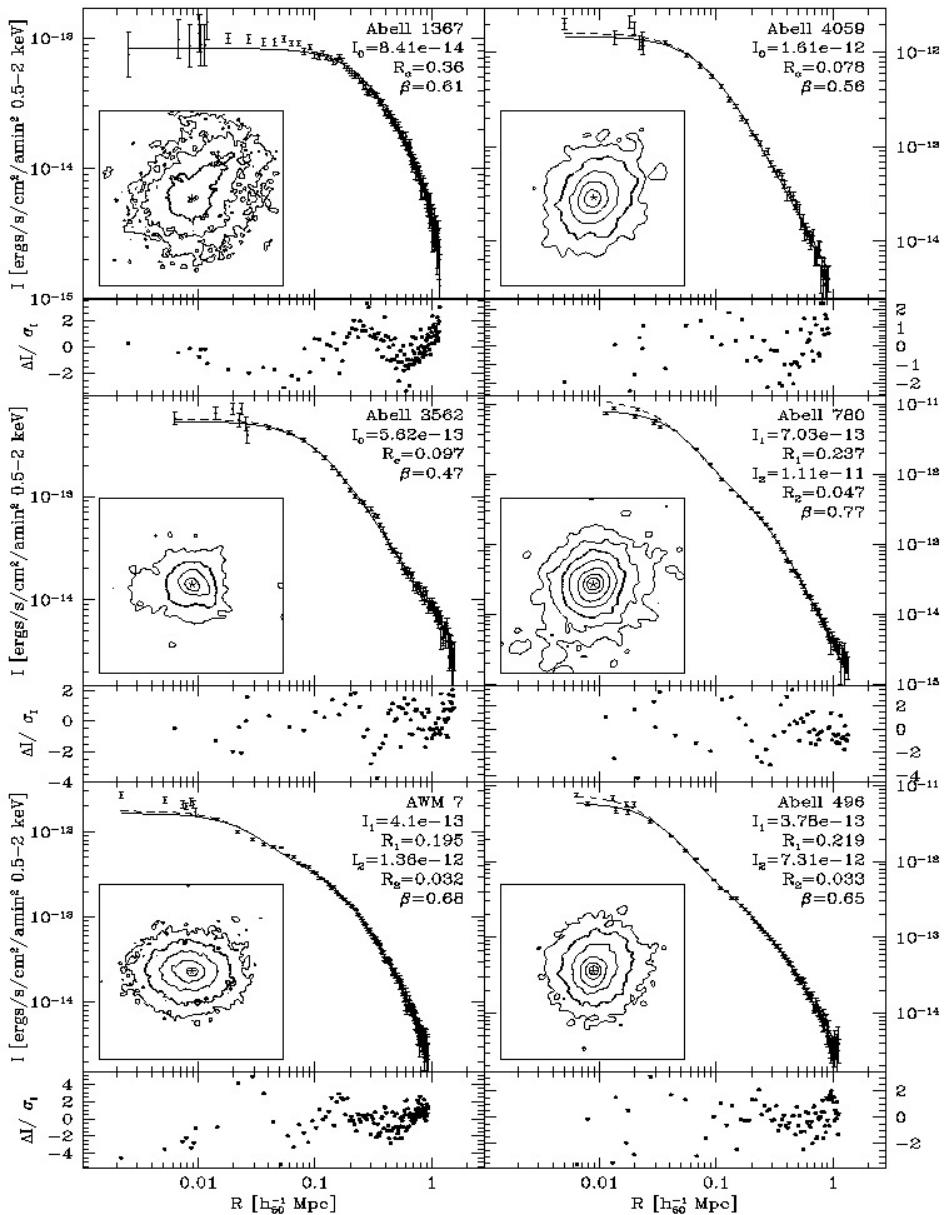
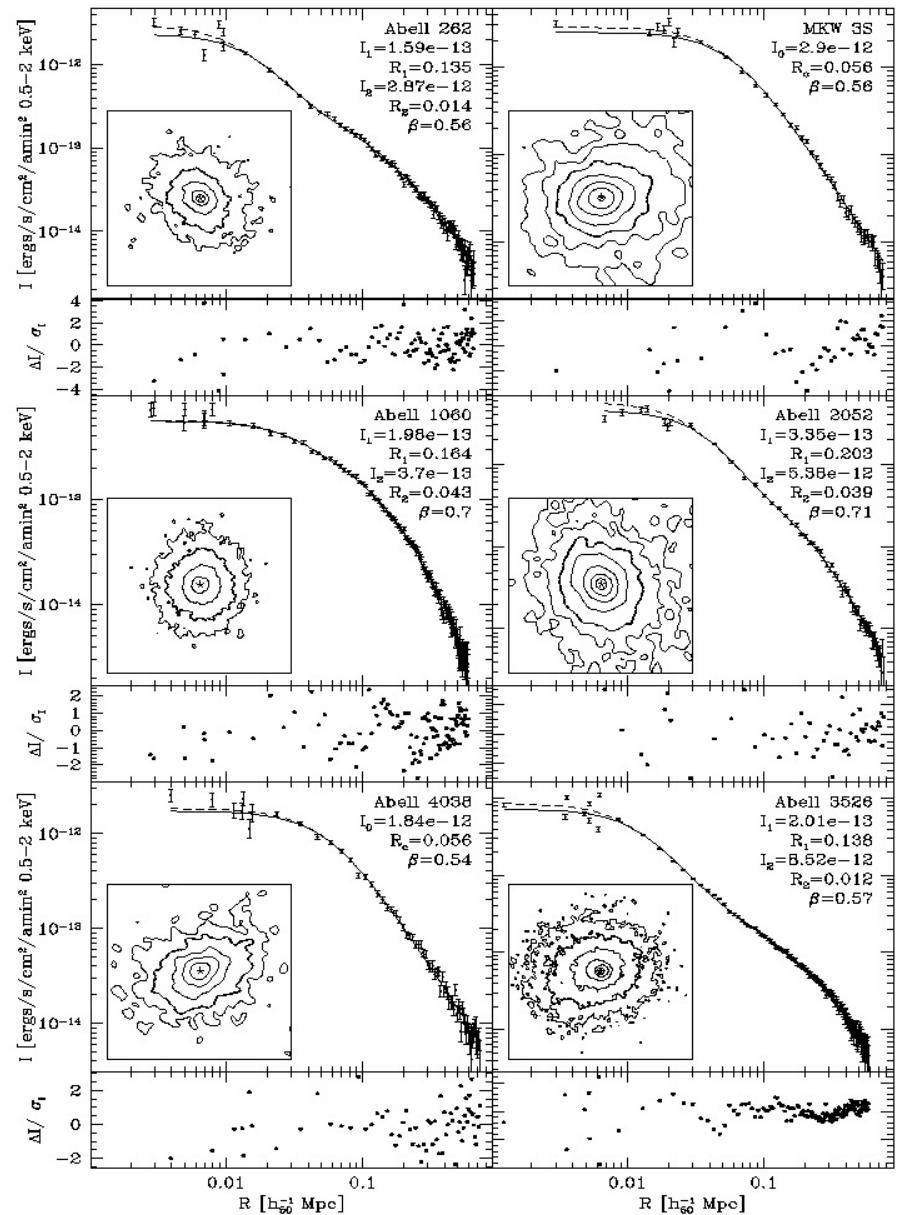
count rate in [ $\text{arcsec}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$ ]



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## 9.3 X-rays Properties: ICM Morphology

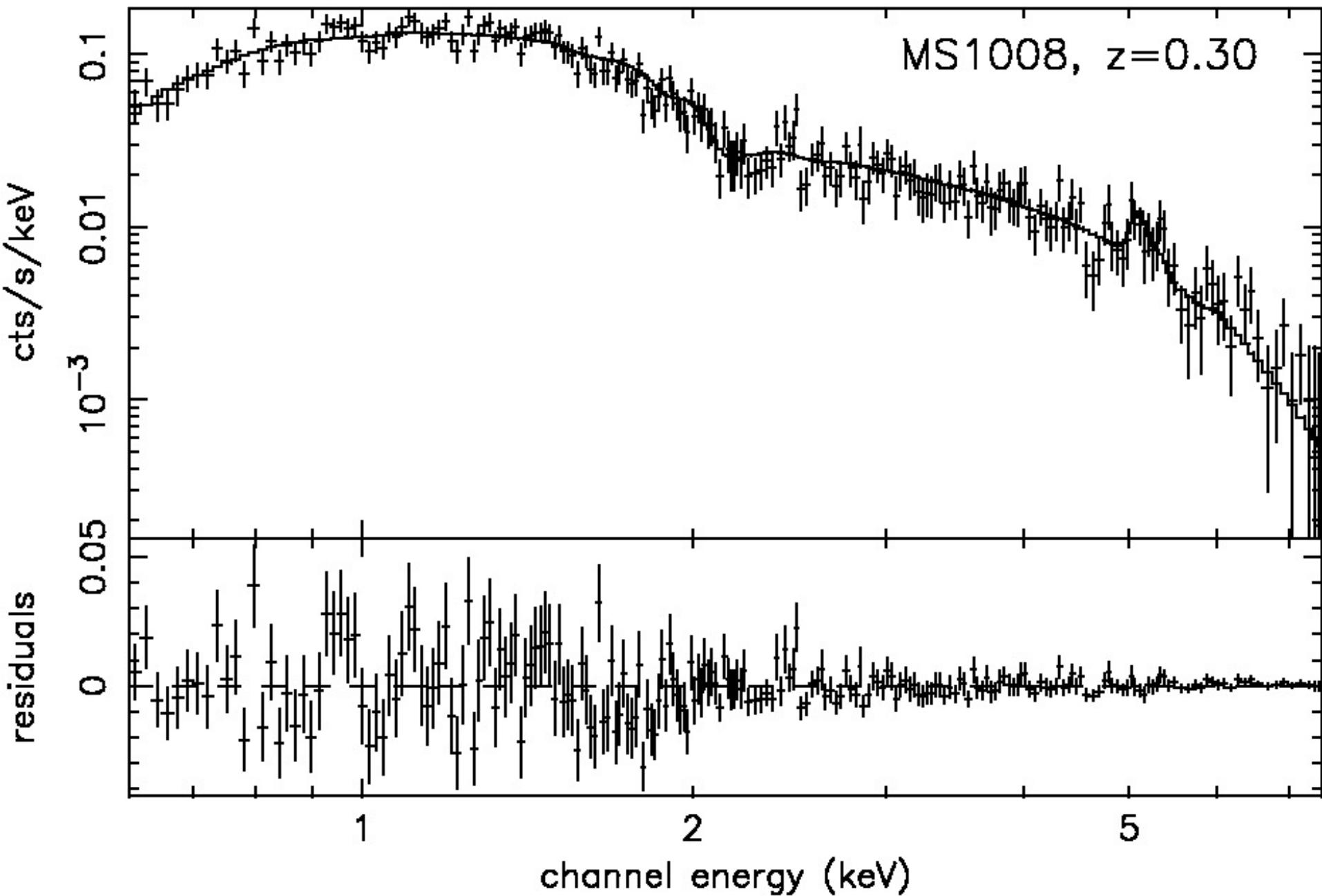
- Clusters present varied morphologies although they are mostly ellipsoids
- Forman & Jones (1982) proposed a two-dimensional scheme for the X-ray morphology. First they are irregular ('early') or regular ('evolved'). Secondly, the presence or absence of a dominant galaxy in the center: X-ray dominant (XD) or non X-ray dominant (nXD).
- Evolutionary sequence
- Evolution of X-ray morphology => Cosmology

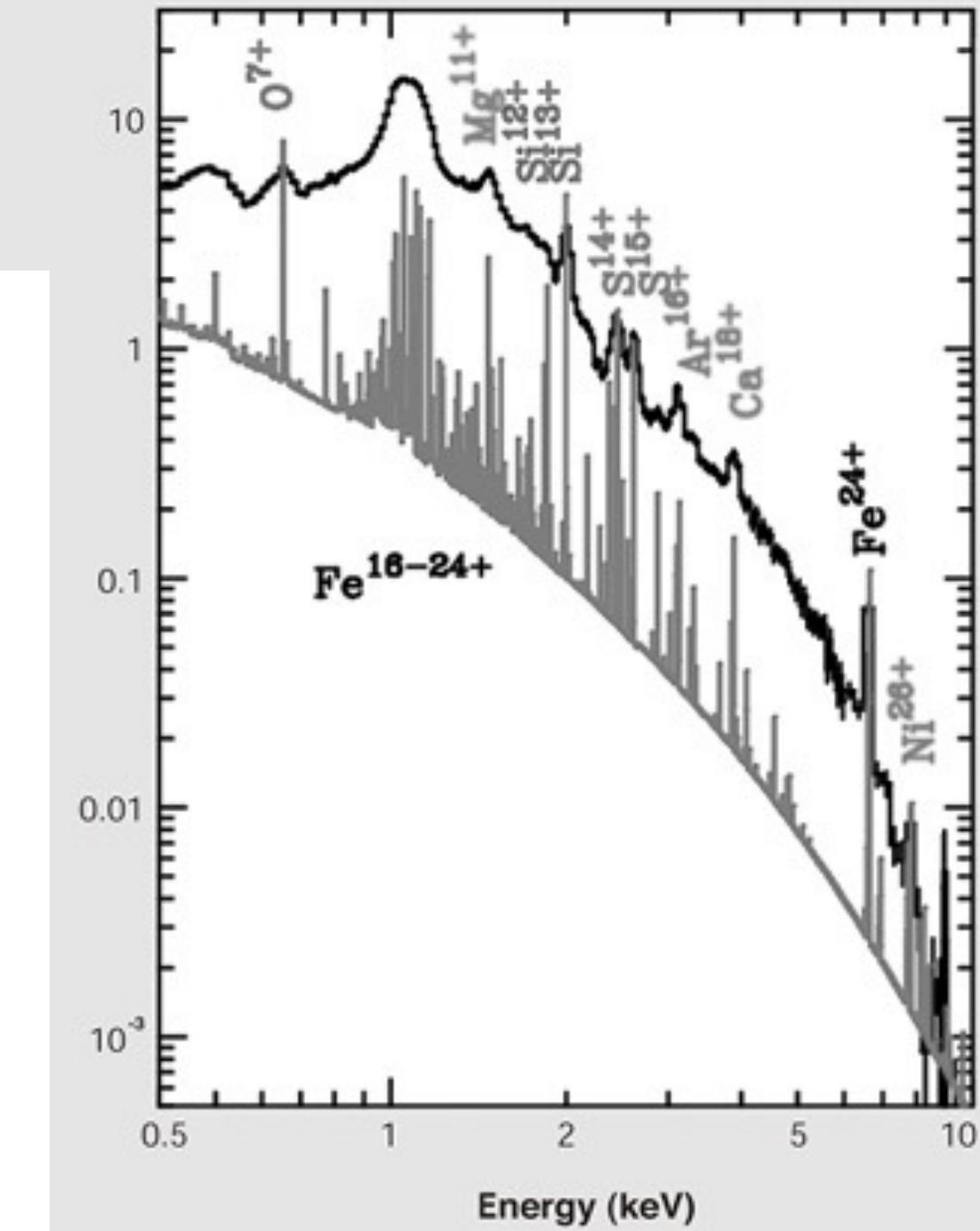
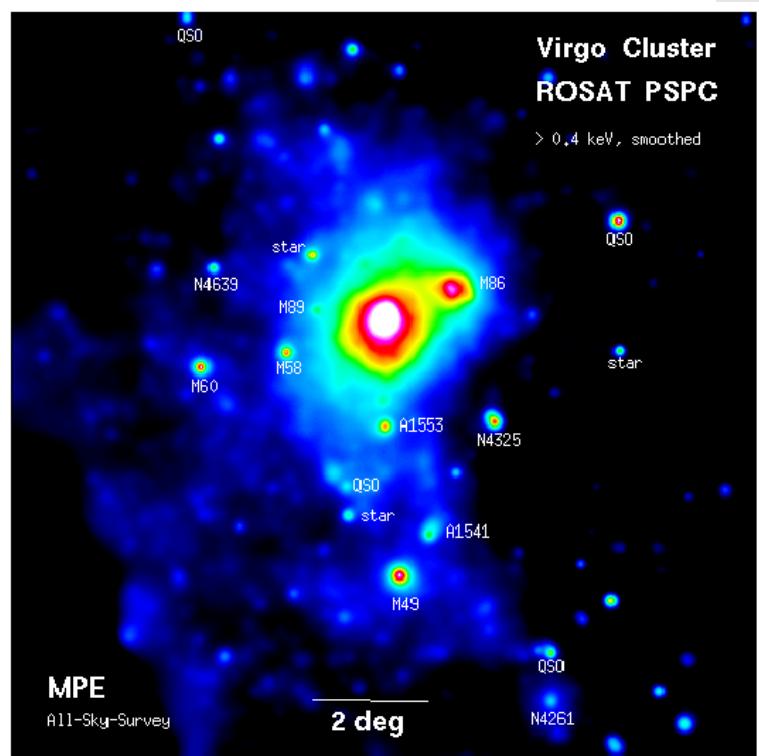


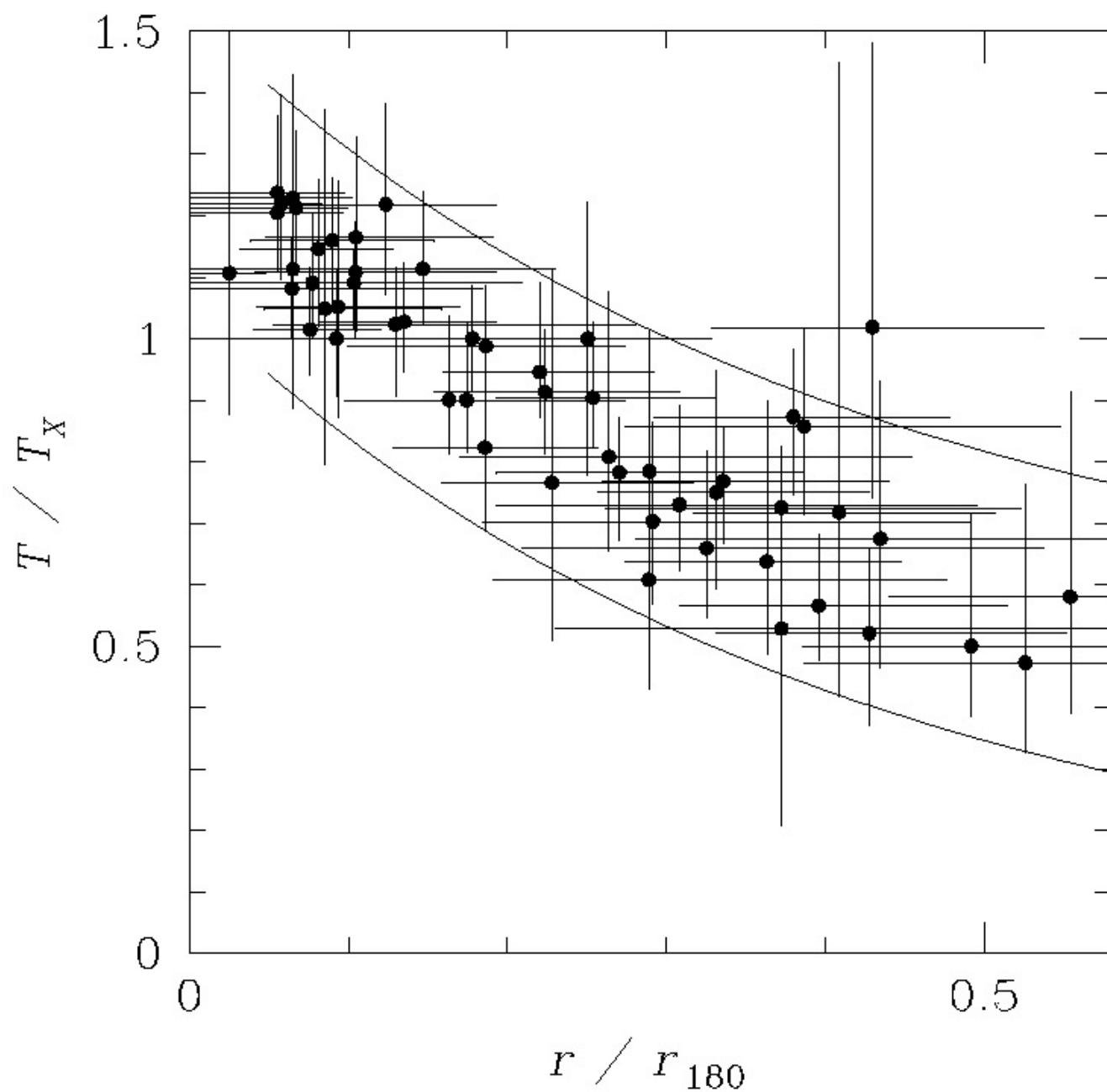
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## 9.3 X-ray Properties: X-ray Spectra

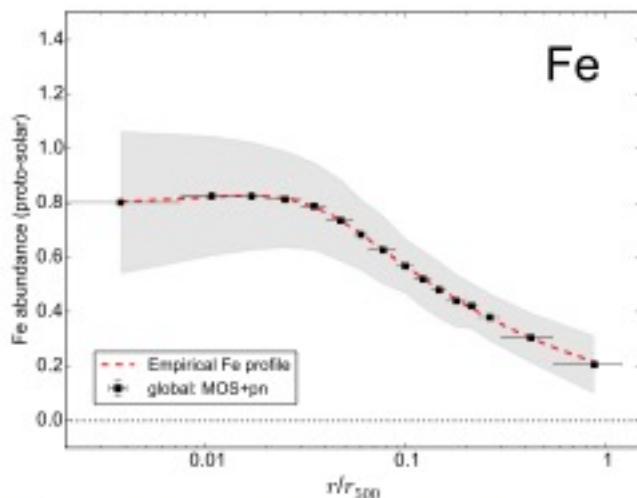
- Clusters exhibit thermal bremsstrahlung spectra from their thin, high temperature, highly ionized intracluster medium
- Typical temperatures are of the order of a few keV
- Typical metallicities are of the order of 1/3 solar
- Spectra show  $\alpha$ -element enhancement
- In most (non-cooling flow) clusters there is negligible low energy absorption
- Cooling flows







# Metallicity profiles: Mernier et al arXiv: 1703.01183



**Fig. 1.** Average radial Fe abundance profile for the full sample. Data points show the average values and their statistical uncertainties ( $\sigma_{\text{stat}}$ , barely visible on the plot). The shaded area shows the scatter of the measurements ( $\sigma_{\text{scatter}}$ , see text).

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## 9.4 Radio Properties

- Emission from galaxies within the cluster
- Head-tail and wide-angle-tail radio sources
- Radio haloes

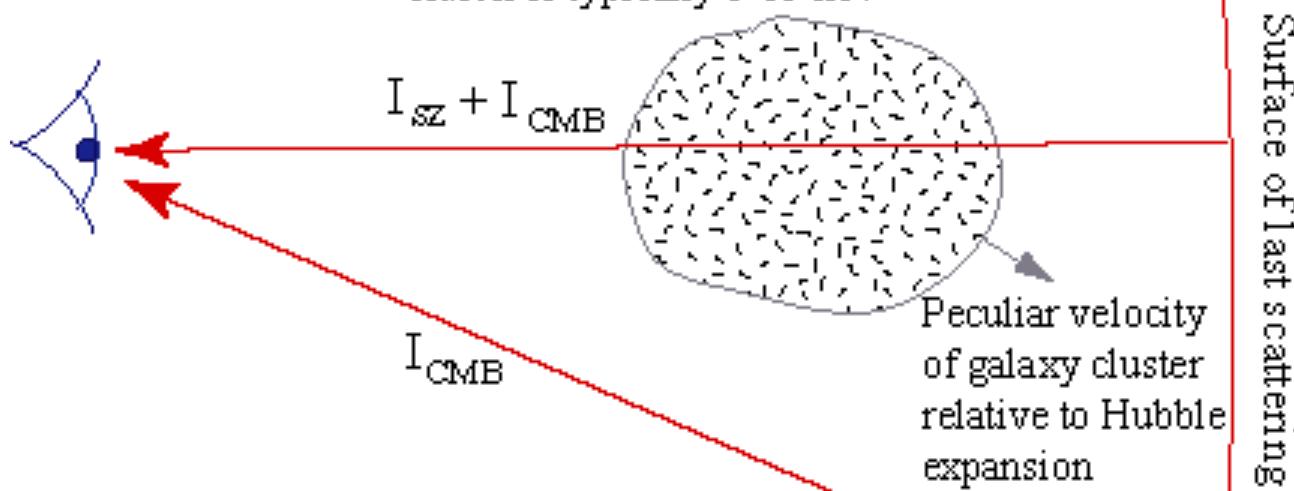
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## 9.4 Radio Properties: Sunyaev-Zeldovich (SZ) effect

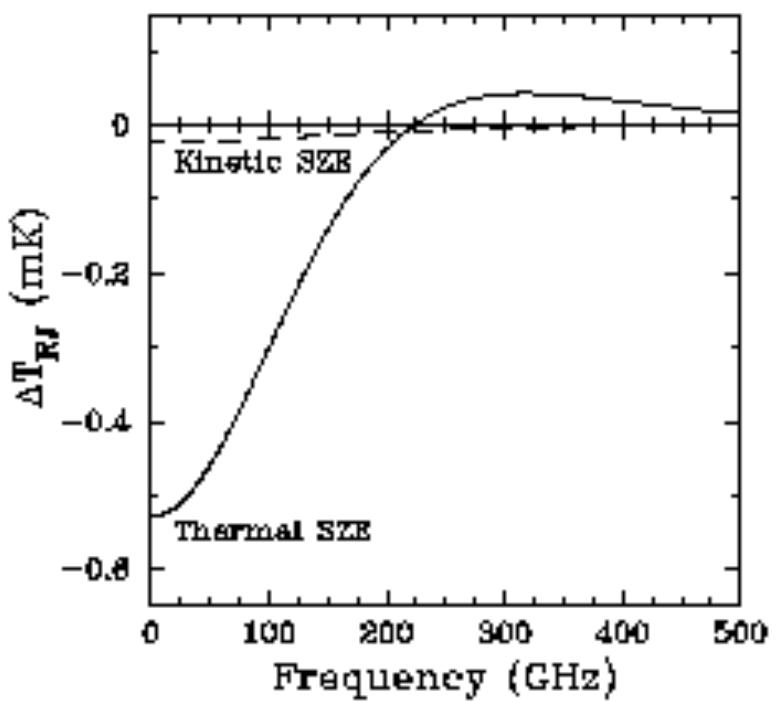
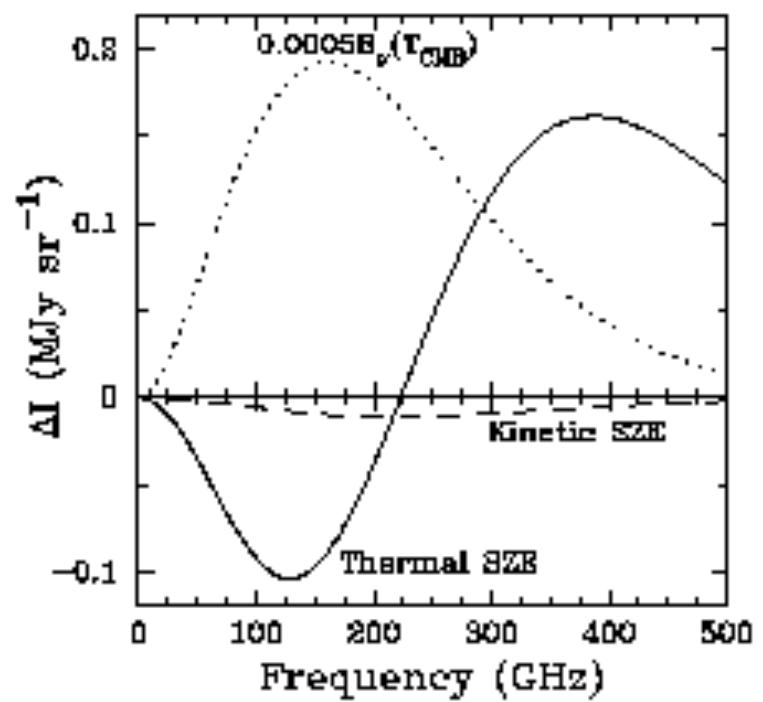
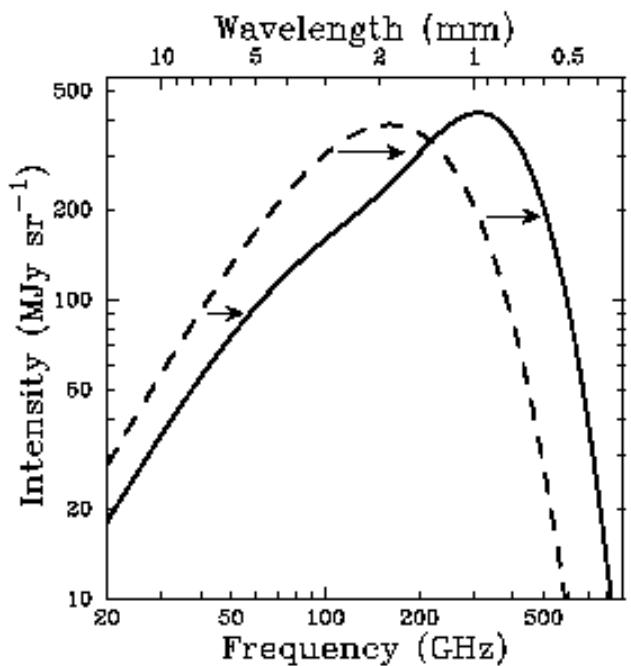
- The free electrons in the ICM (inverse Compton) scatter low energy photons from the Cosmic Microwave Radiation

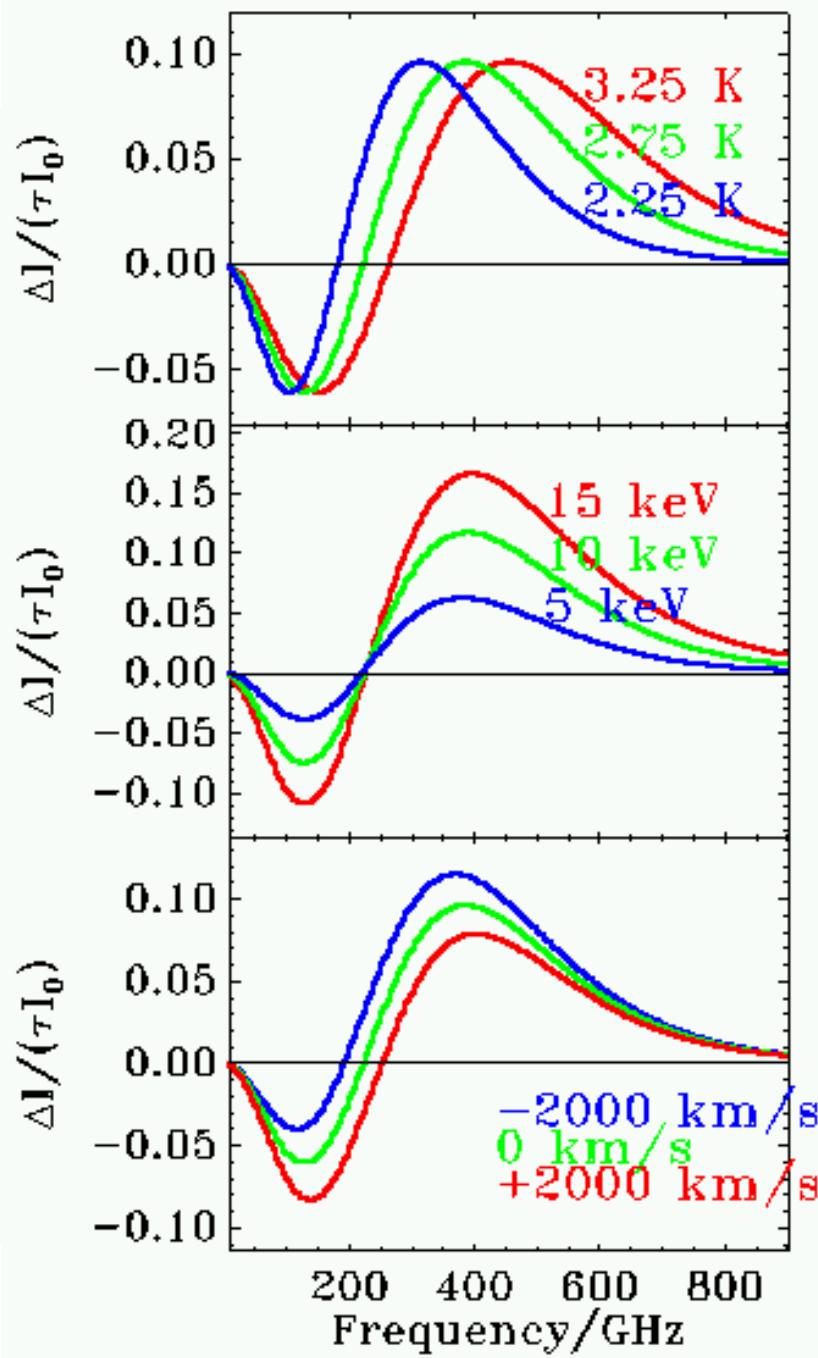
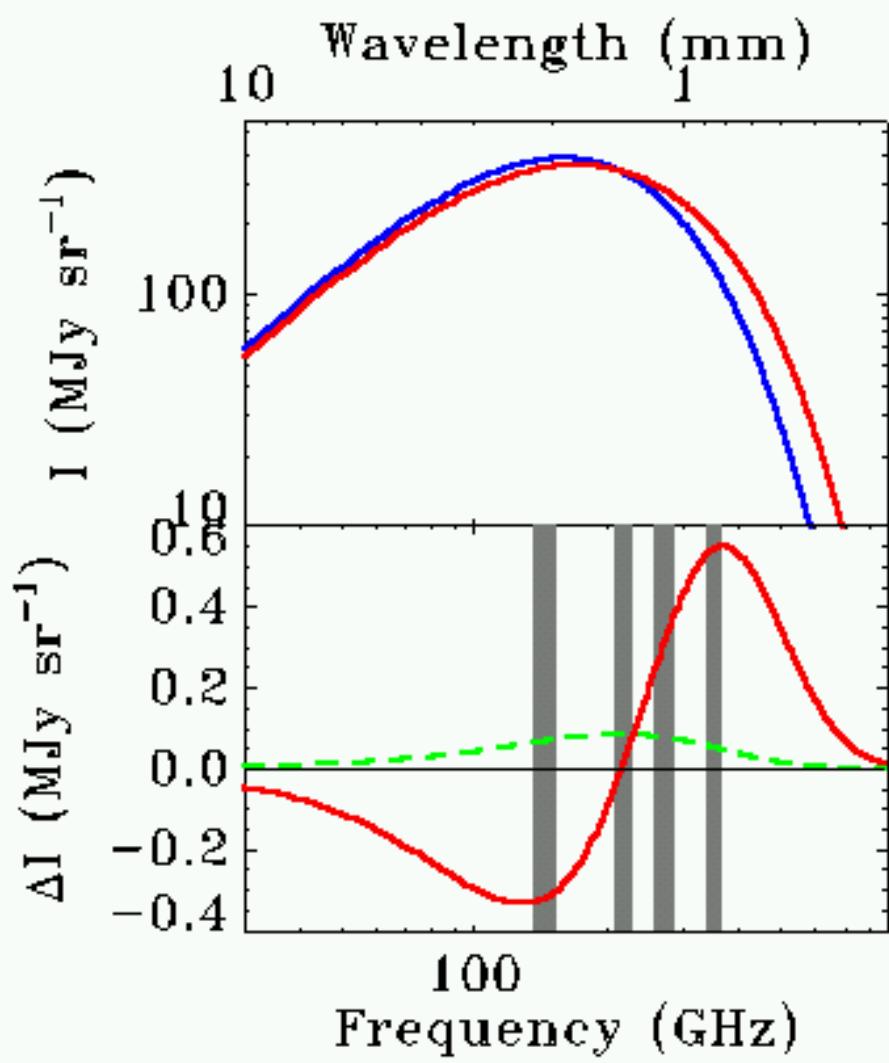
$$\Delta T/T \propto \rho T$$

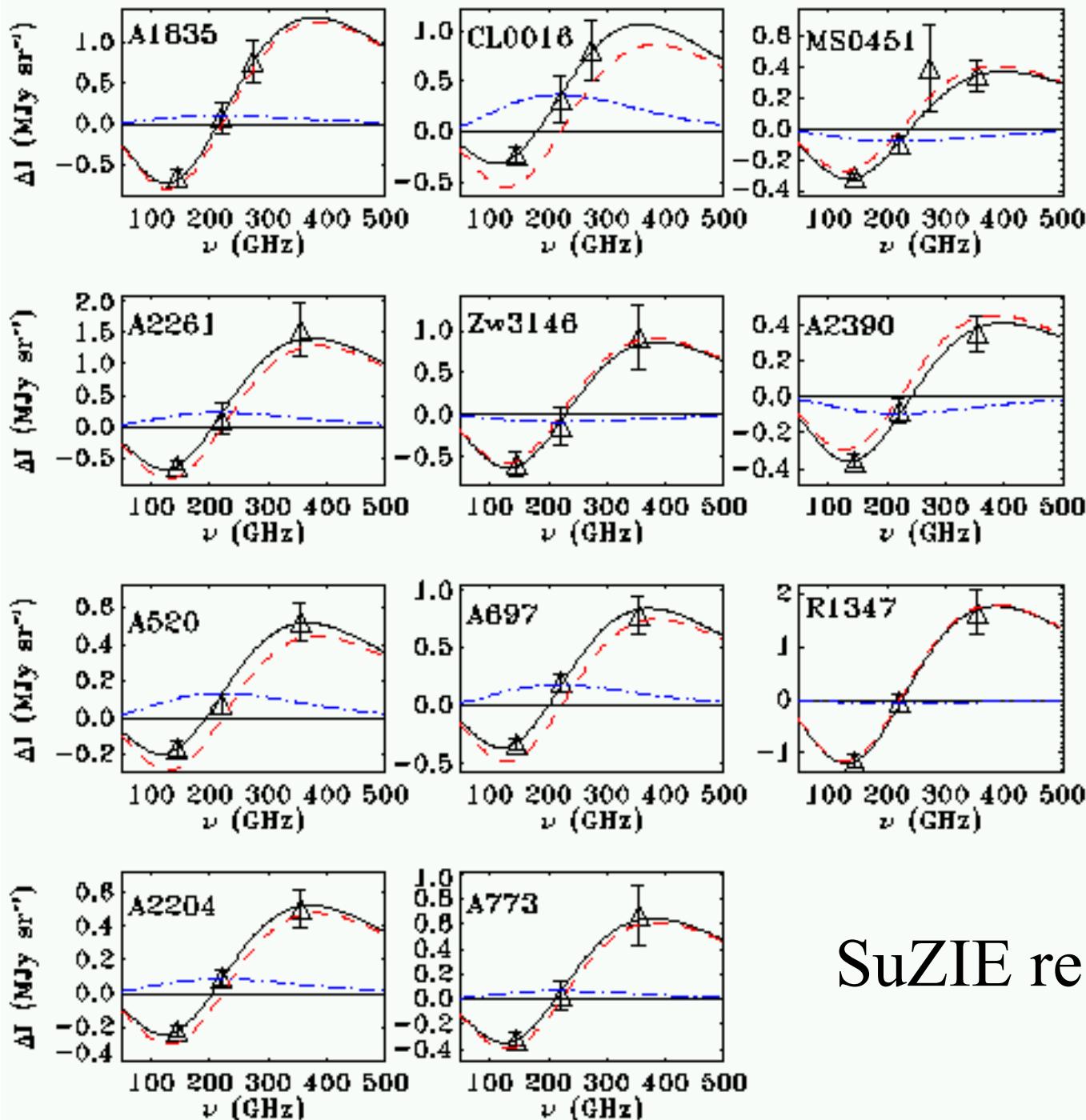
Clusters of galaxies contain galaxies, hot gas and dark matter. The gas temperature of a rich cluster is typically 5-15 keV



Redshift  
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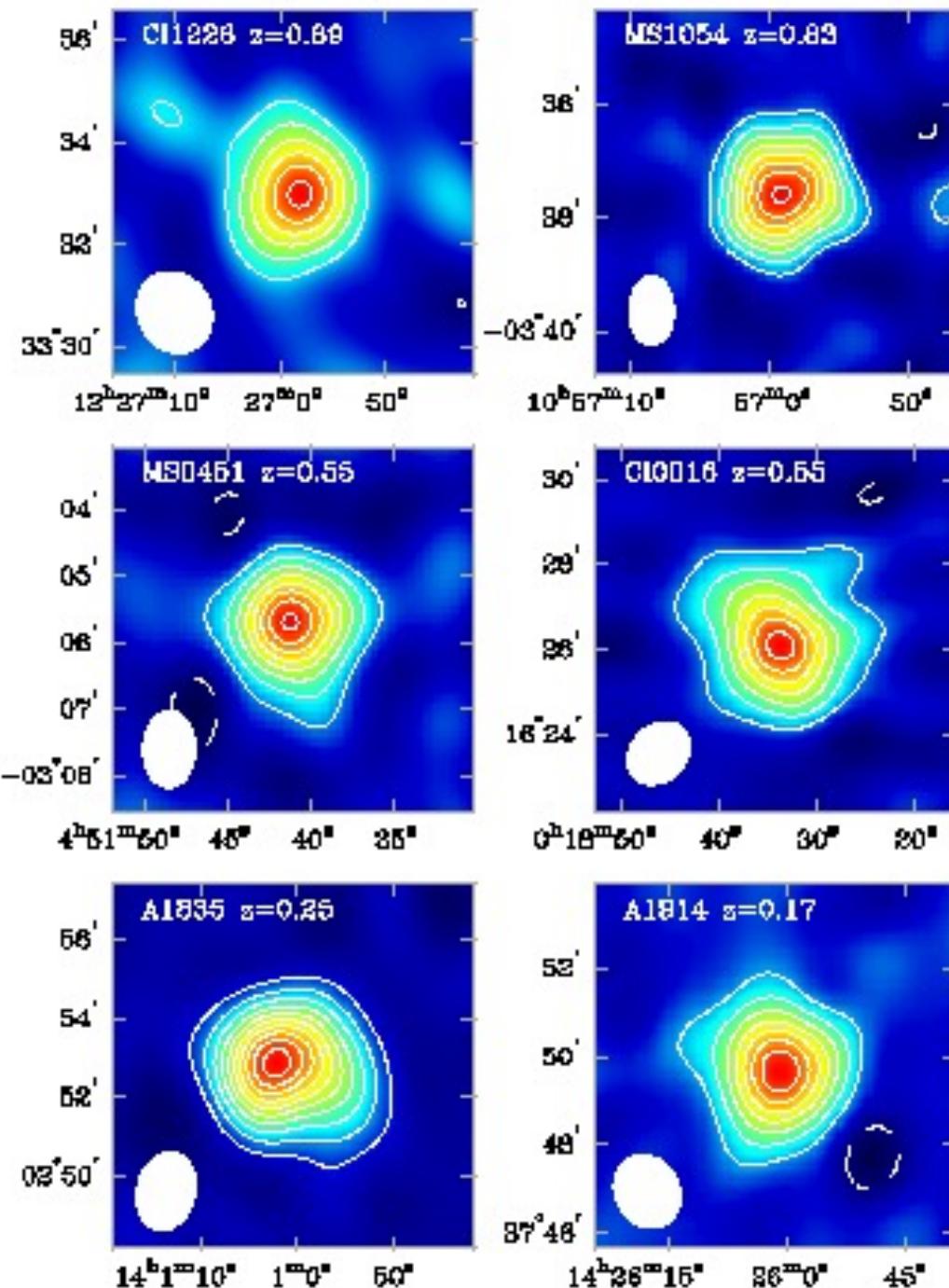






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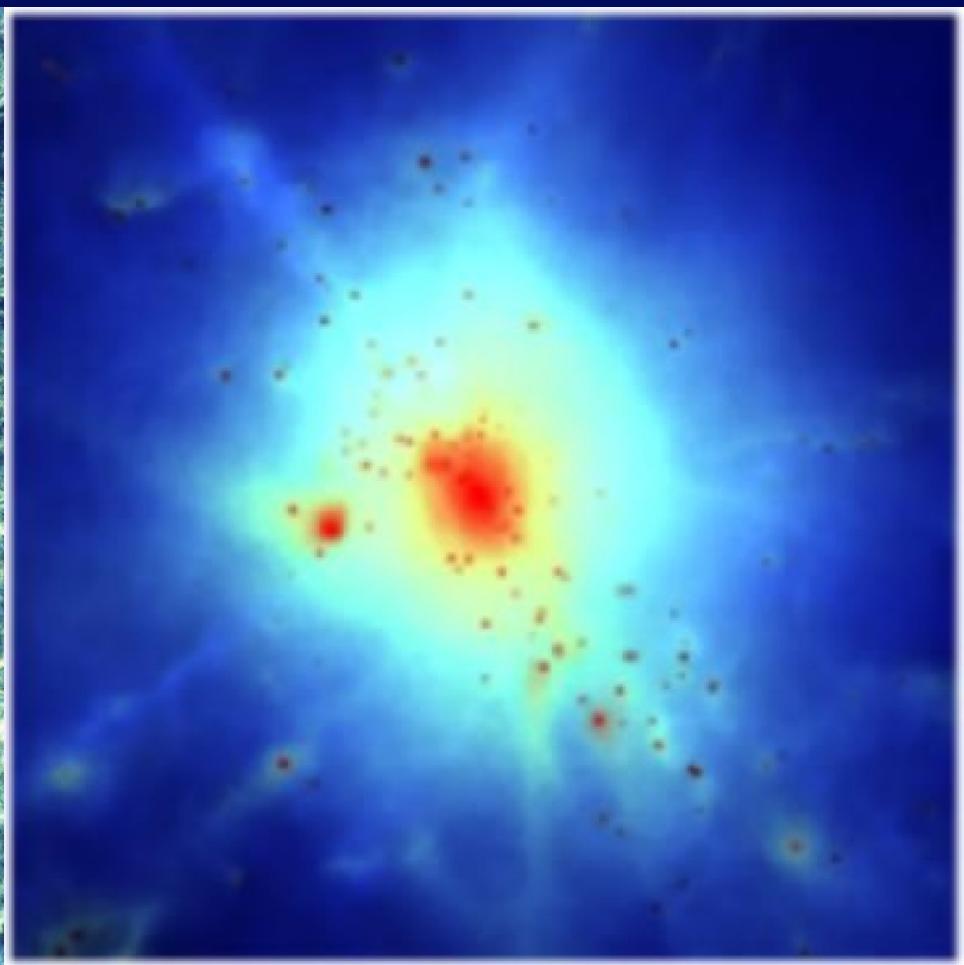
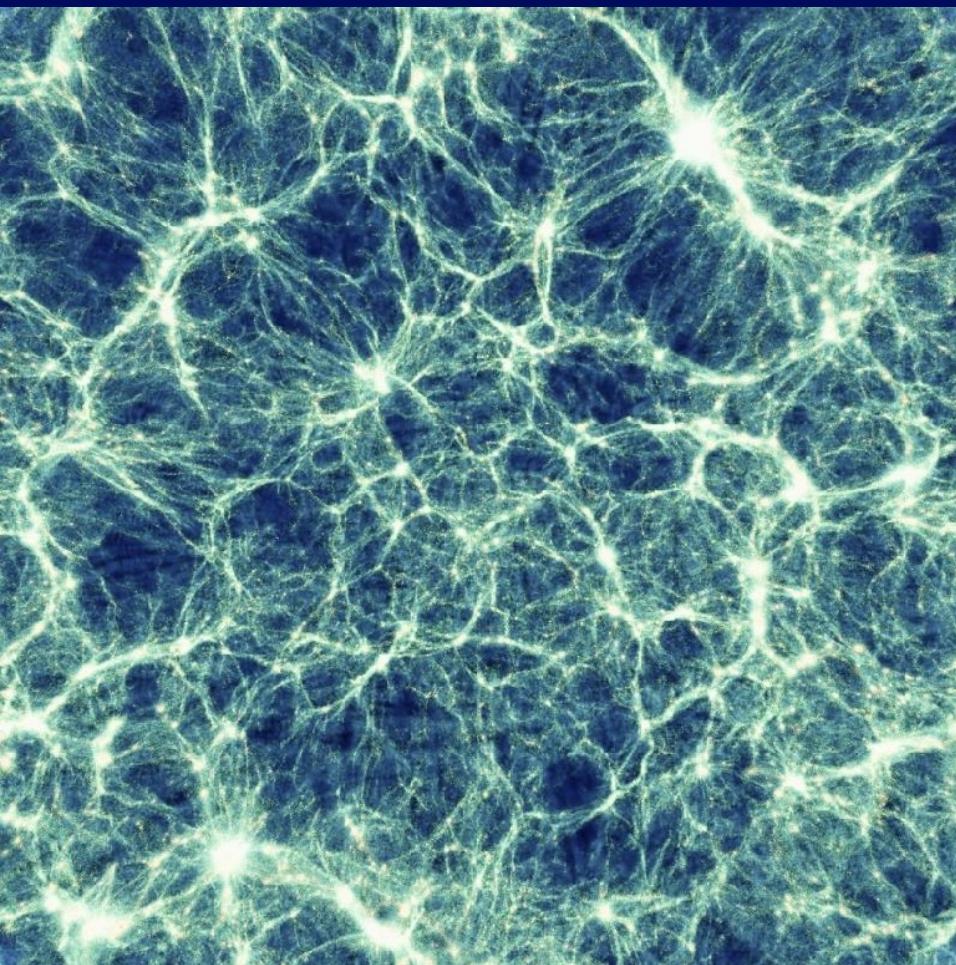
Carlstrom et al  
2004



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## 9.5 Simulations

- A fundamental tool to try to understand
  - the abundance and evolution of the cluster population
  - the physical processes that take part in clusters of galaxies
- N-body simulations (cluster evolution)
- Hydrodynamic simulations (gas physics, scaling relation)
- Problem: dynamical range



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## 9.6 Cosmology with clusters

- **Cluster Mass:** cosmological “observable”
- **Cluster Observables:**
  - Richness:  $N_g$
  - Velocity dispersion:  $z, \sigma$
  - X-rays:  $S_x \propto \rho^2 T^{1/2}, T_x$
  - Lensing:  $\varepsilon, m \Rightarrow g, \mu$
  - Sunyaev-Zeldovich:  $\Delta T \propto \rho T$

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## 9.6 Cosmology with clusters

- Clustering: clusters are highly biased tracers of the underlying mass distribution
  - power spectrum, correlation functions
- Abundances: count how many clusters are above a certain mass threshold imposed by your observable mass function
- Baryon fraction: clusters are fair samples of the overall mass composition of the universe

$$f_B = \Omega_B / \Omega_M \Rightarrow \Omega_M = \Omega_B / f_B$$

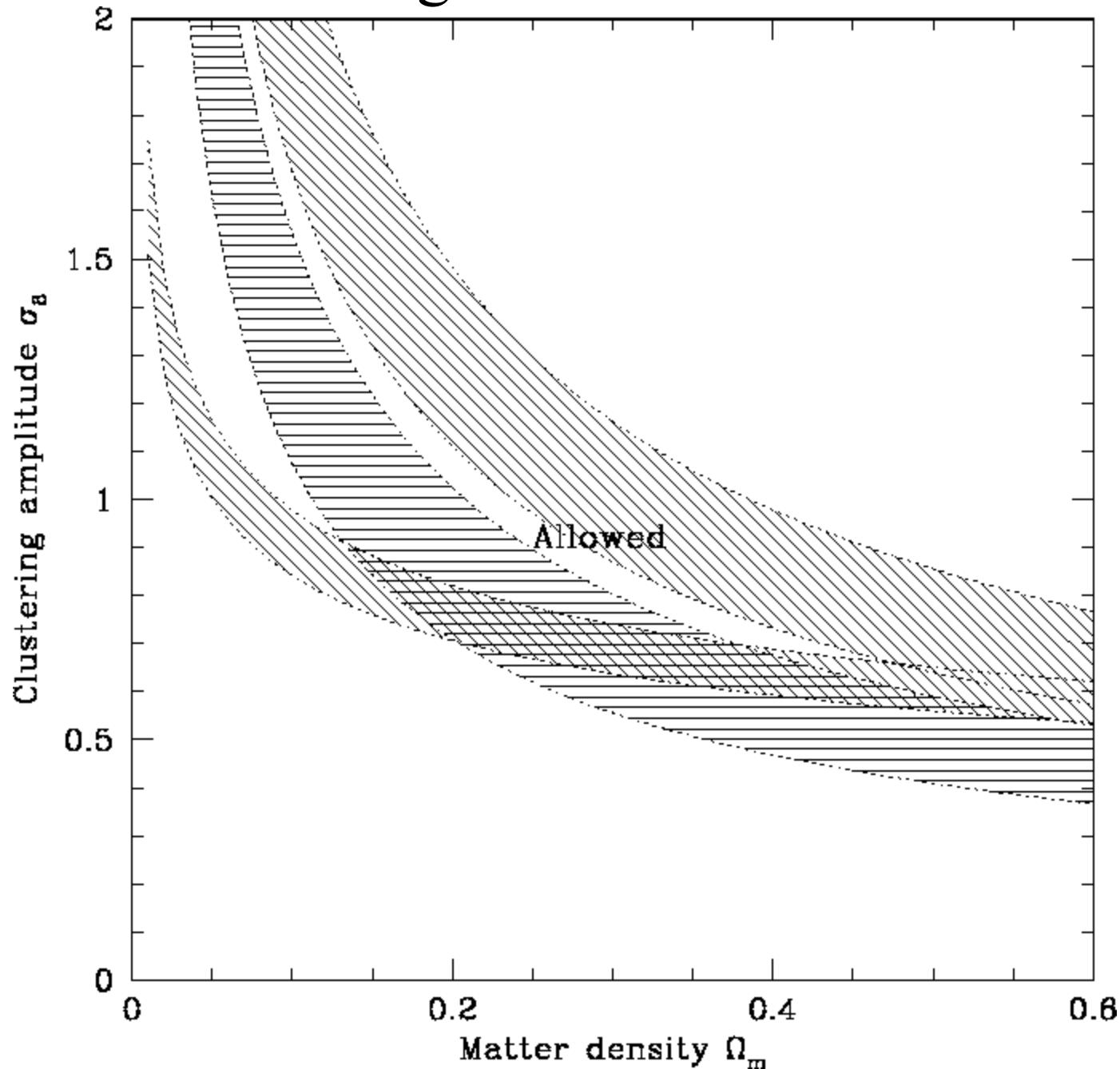
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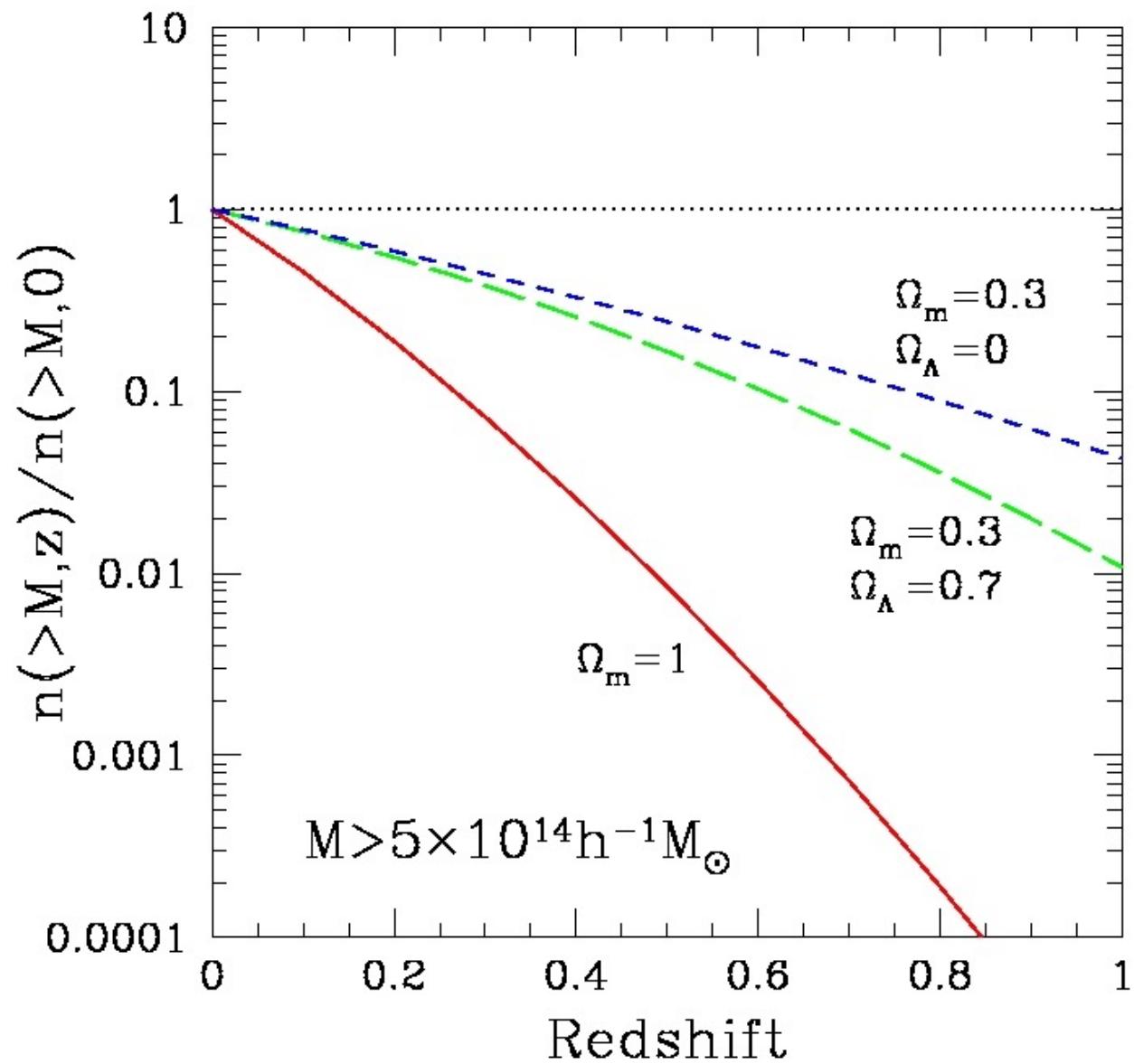
## 9.6 Cosmology with clusters: Abundance and evolution

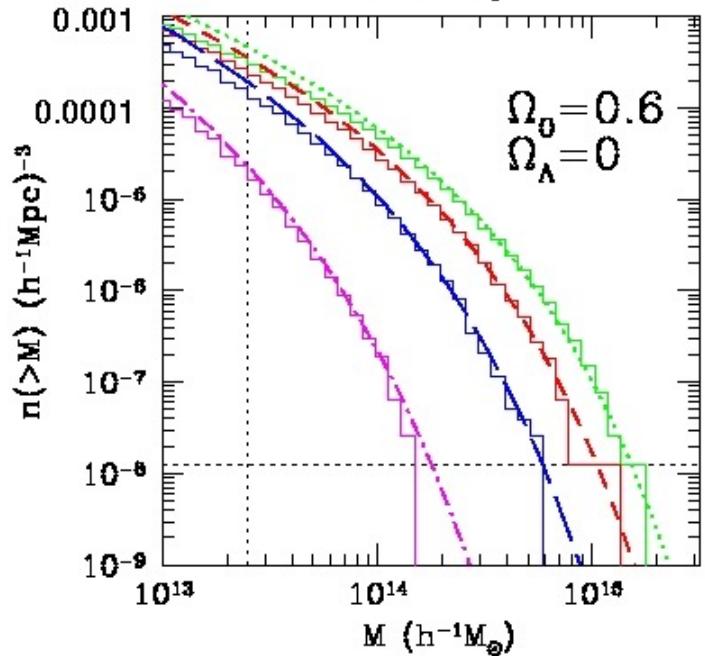
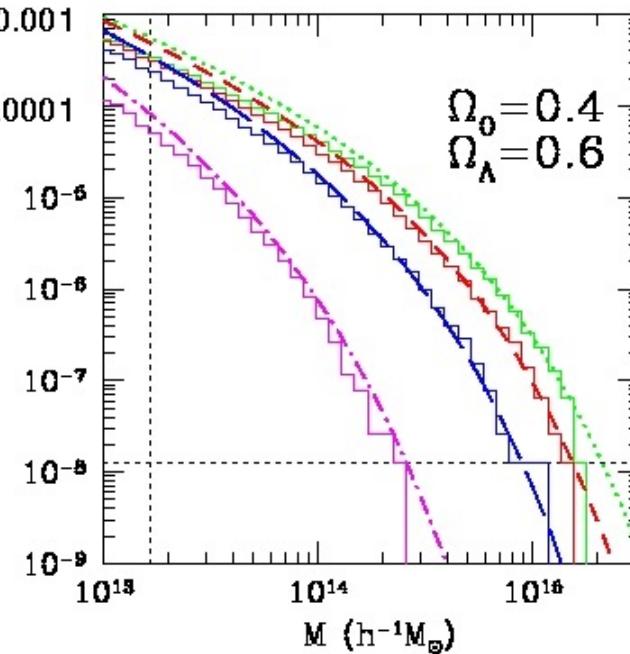
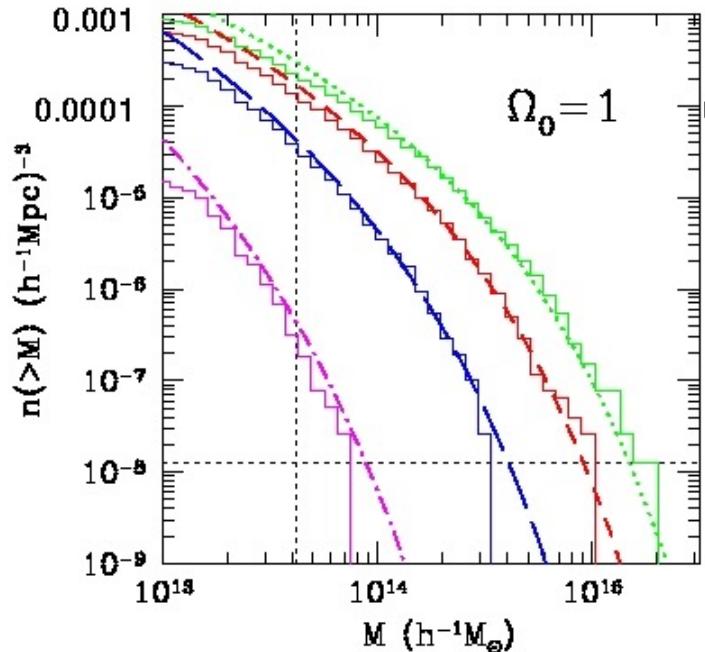
- The cluster abundance at a given epoch is a function of  $\Omega_m$  and  $\sigma_8$
- The evolution of the cluster abundance depends on  $\Omega_m$
- Theoretically, one can predict the mass function
- X-rays studies more widely used due to its nicer selection function
- Observationally in X-rays, one finds clusters due to their surface brightness and measures their  $L_x$

$$\frac{d^2N}{dzd\Omega}(z) = \frac{d^2V}{dzd\Omega}(z)n_{com}(z) = \frac{c}{H(z)}D_A^2(1+z)^2 \int_0^\infty dM f(M, z) \frac{dn}{dM}(z)$$

# Tegmark et al 2003





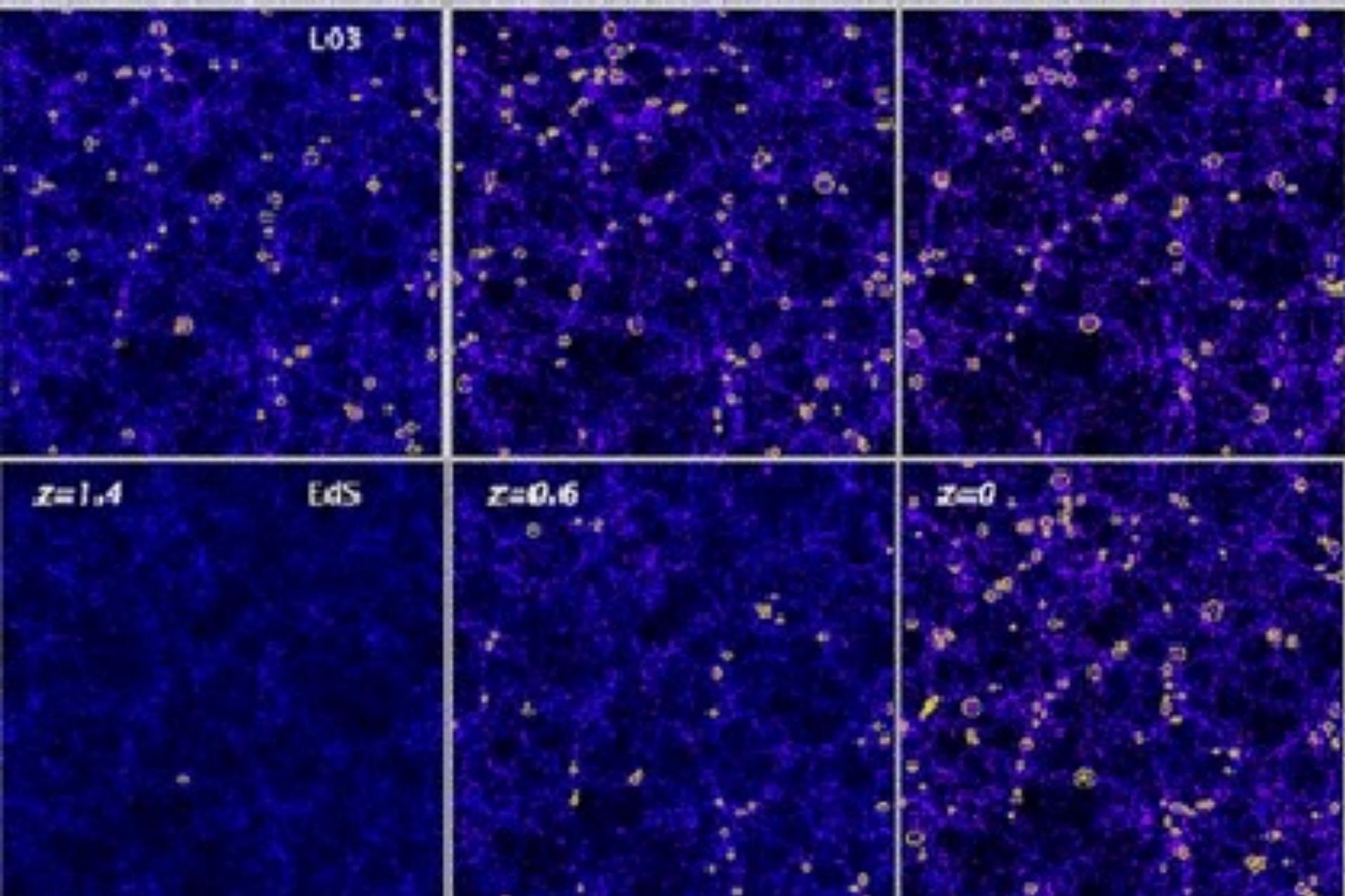


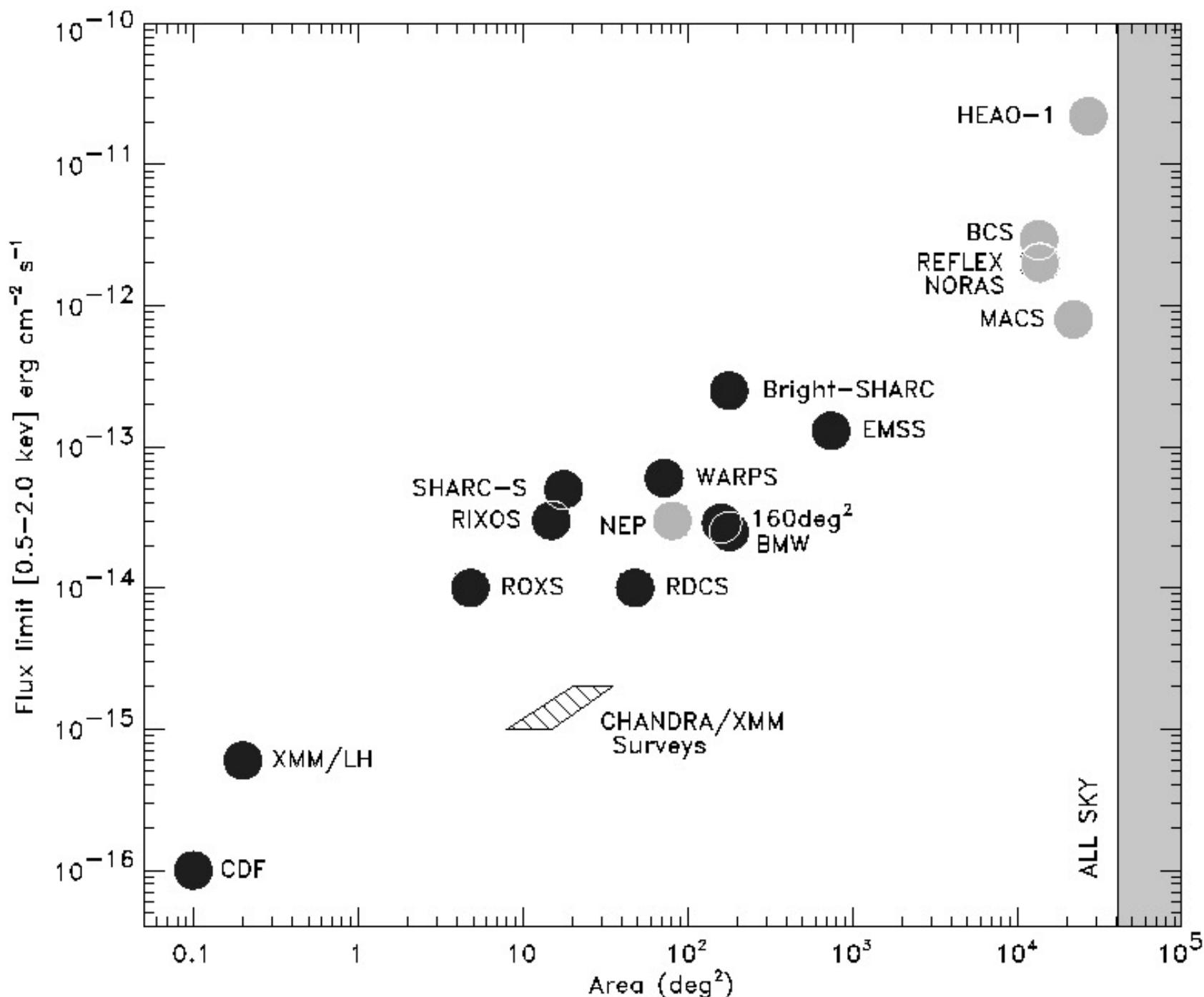
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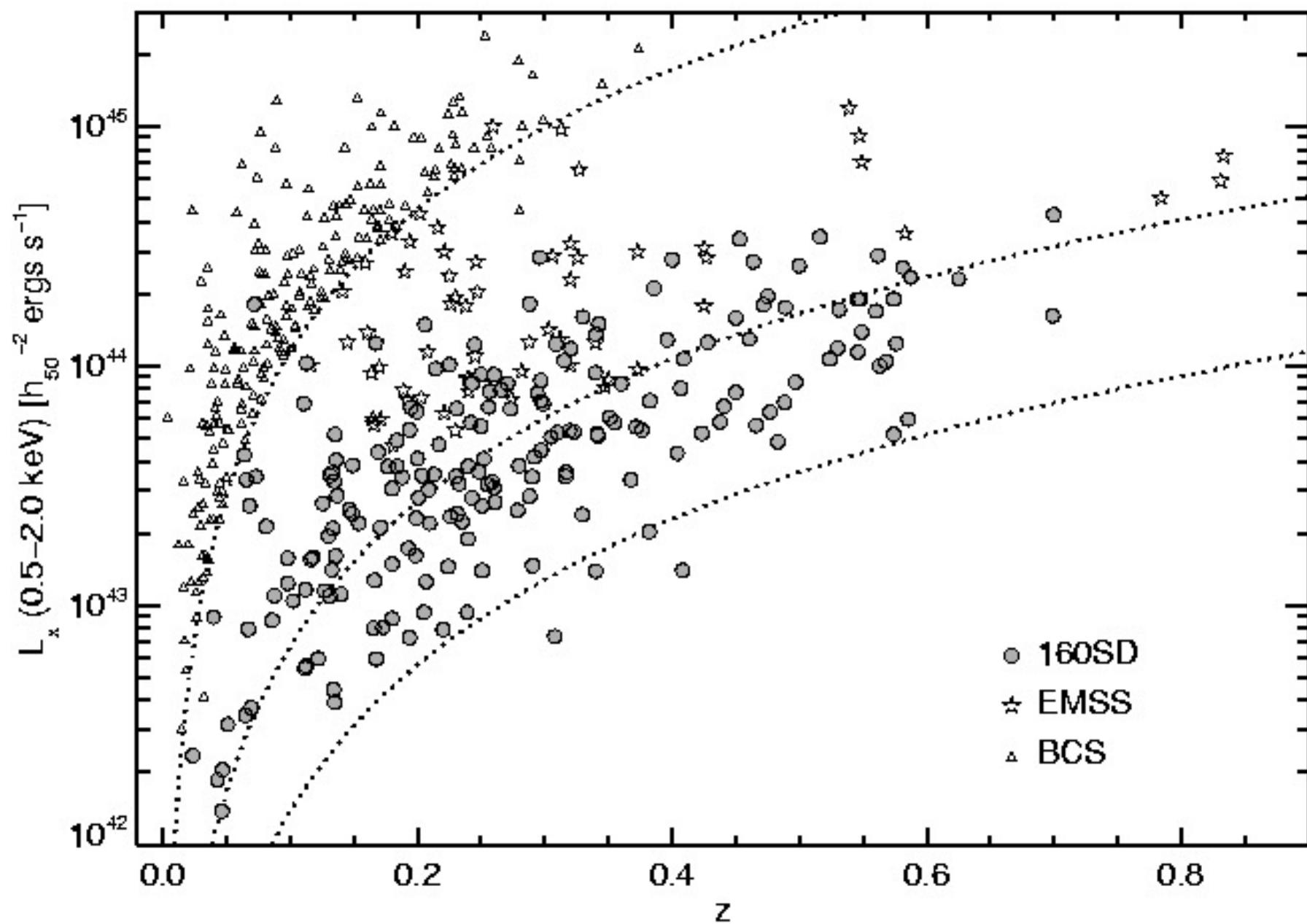
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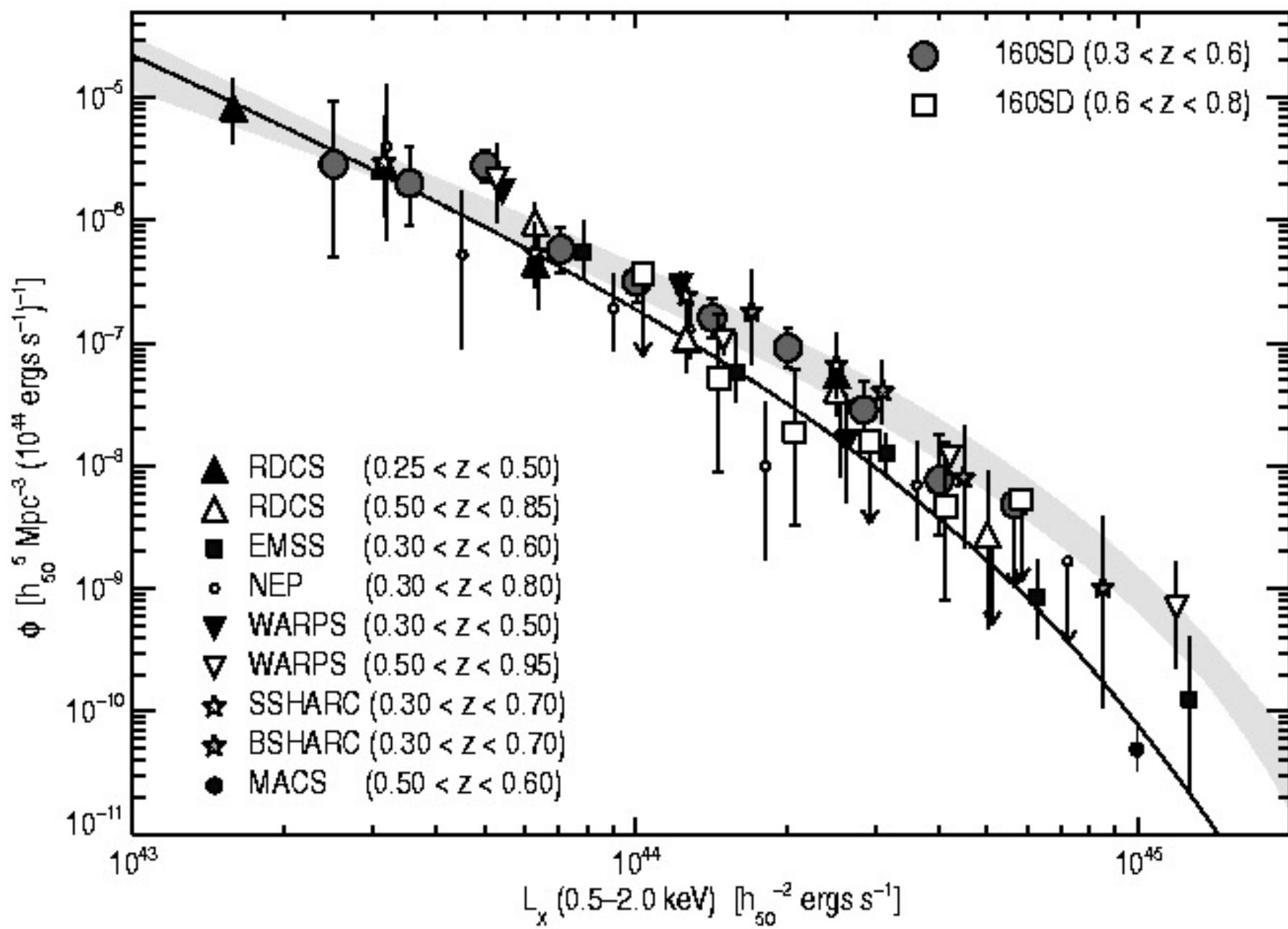
- $z=0$
- -  $z=0.21$
- $z=0.55$
- $z=1.40$

Borgani et al 2001

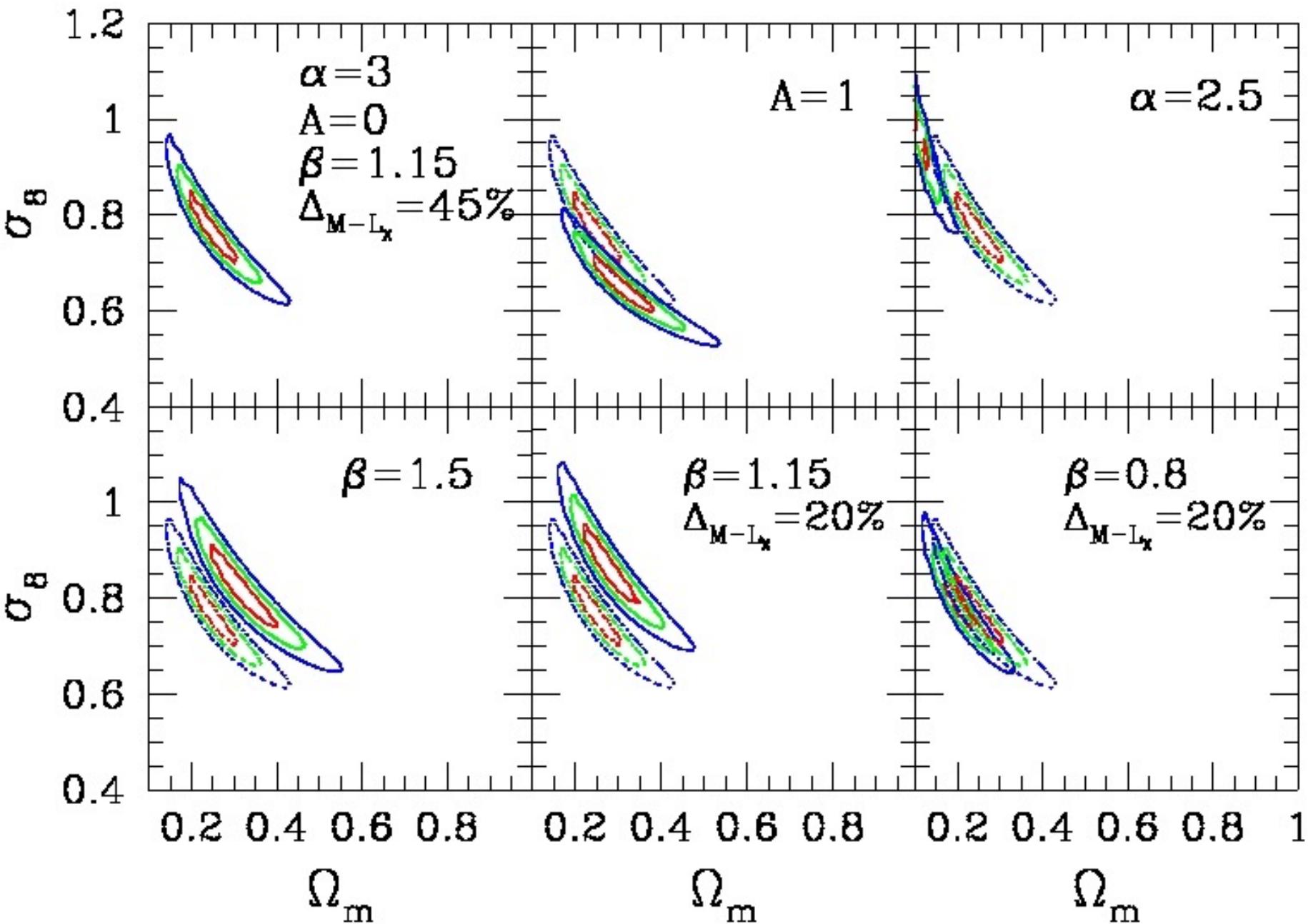








# Borgani et al 2001



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## 9.6 Cosmology with clusters: baryon fraction

- Baryon fraction: clusters are fair samples of the overall mass composition of the universe

$$f_B = \Omega_B / \Omega_M \Rightarrow \Omega_M = \Omega_B / f_B$$

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## 9.7 Ingredients of cluster physics

Hydrostatic Equilibrium

$$\frac{1}{\rho_{gas}} \nabla P_{gas} = -\nabla \Phi$$

Poisson's Equation

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi G \rho_{grav}$$

Equation of State

$$P_{gas} = \frac{\rho_{gas} k T_e}{\mu m_p}$$

$$\rho_{grav} = -\frac{1}{4\pi G} \nabla \left( \frac{1}{\rho_{gas}} \nabla P_{gas} \right)$$

Isothermal

$$\rho_{grav} = -\frac{k T_e}{4\pi G \mu m_p} \nabla^2 \ln \rho_{gas}$$

Hydrostatic Equilibrium

Spherical Symmetry

$$\frac{1}{\rho_{gas}} \nabla P_{gas} = -\nabla \Phi$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho_{gas}} \frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dr} = -\frac{GM(r)}{r^2}$$

Isothermal

$$\frac{k T_e}{\mu m_p} \frac{d \ln \rho_{gas}}{dr} = -\frac{d\Phi}{dr}$$

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## 9.7 Cluster Physics ingredients: Profiles

### NFW Profile

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\delta_c \rho_c}{\frac{r}{r_s} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^2}$$

$$M(r) = 4\pi \delta_c \rho_c r_s^2 \left[ \ln \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right) - \frac{r}{r + r_s} \right]$$

$$\phi(r) = -4\pi G \delta_c \rho_c r_s^2 \left[ \frac{\ln \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)}{\frac{r}{r_s}} \right] \longrightarrow \phi(x)$$

$$\frac{kT_e}{\mu m_p} \frac{d \ln \rho_{\text{gas}}}{dr} = - \frac{d\Phi}{dr} = - \frac{GM(r)}{r^2}$$

$$\rho_{\text{gas}} = \rho_{\text{gas,0}} e^{-b} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{\frac{b}{r/r_s}} \quad (\text{Makino et al 98})$$

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## 9.7 Cluster Physics ingredients: profiles

### Beta Model

$$n(r) = n_0 \left(1 + \left(\frac{x}{x_c}\right)^2\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}\beta}$$

$$S_X(x) = S_{X0} \left(1 + \left(\frac{x}{x_c}\right)^2\right)^{-3\beta + \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\Delta T(x) = \Delta T_0 \left(1 + \left(\frac{x}{x_c}\right)^2\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}\beta + \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho_{gas}} \nabla P_{gas} = -\nabla \Phi \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{kT_e}{\mu m_p} \frac{d \ln \rho_{gas}}{dr} = -\frac{d \Phi}{dr} = -\frac{GM(r)}{r^2}$$

$$M(< r) = \frac{kT_e}{\mu m_p} \frac{3\beta}{G} r \frac{\left(\frac{r}{r_c}\right)^2}{1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_c}\right)^2}$$

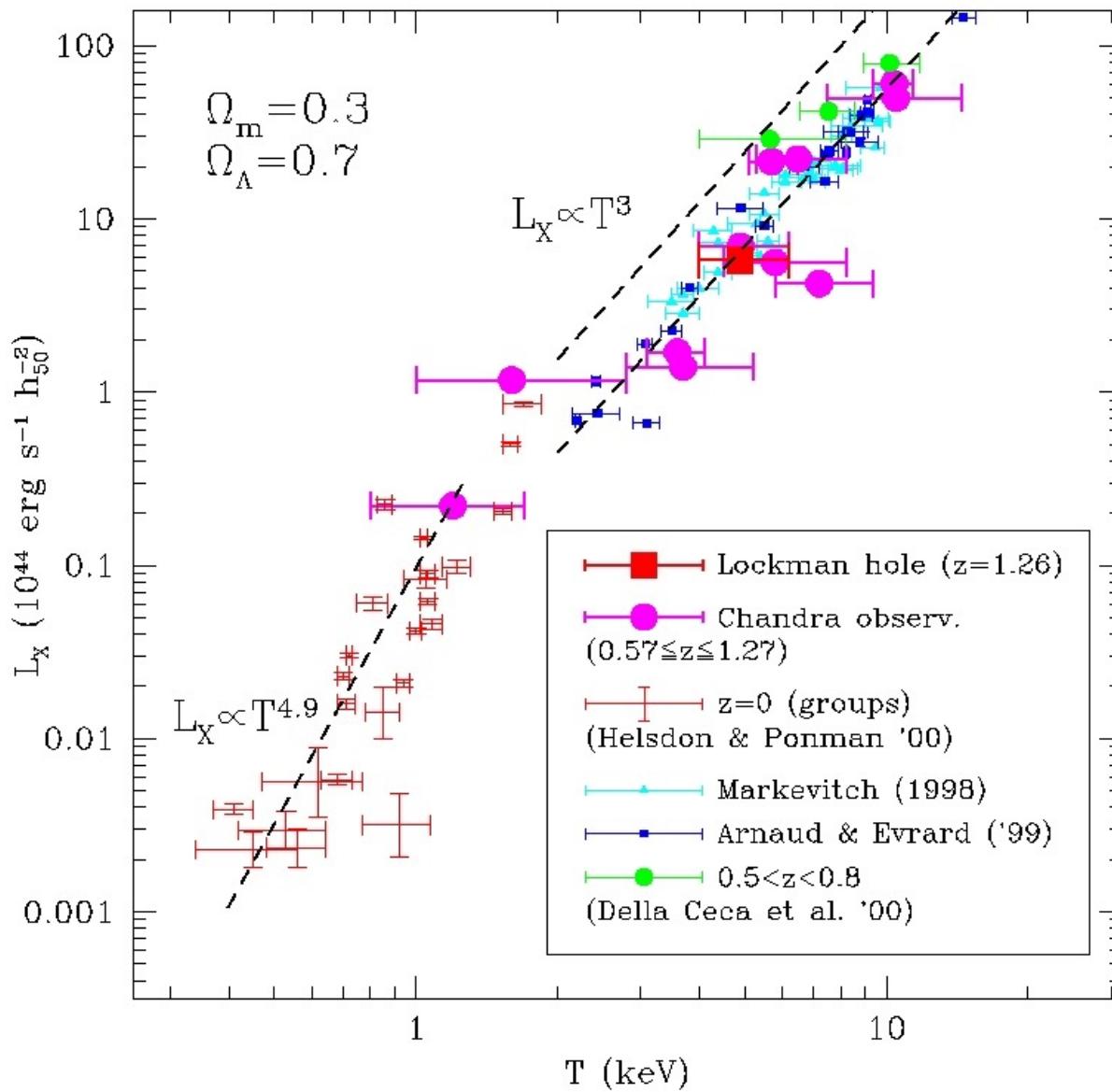
$$\phi(r) = \frac{3}{2} \frac{\beta kT_e}{\mu m_p} \left[ \ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_c}\right)^2\right) - \ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{r_{cut}}{r_c}\right)^2\right) \right] \quad \longrightarrow \quad \phi(x)$$

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## 9.8 Cluster scaling relations

- If cluster gas properties determined only by gravitational collapse then clusters should be scaled versions of each other:
  - $L_x \propto M \rho_{\text{gas}} T_x^{1/2}$
  - $L_x \propto T_x^2 (1+z)^{3/2}$
  - $L_x \propto M^{4/3} (1+z)^{7/2}$
  - $S \propto T_x (1+z)^{-2}$
- Observationally these relations do not hold
  - $L_x \propto T_x^3$

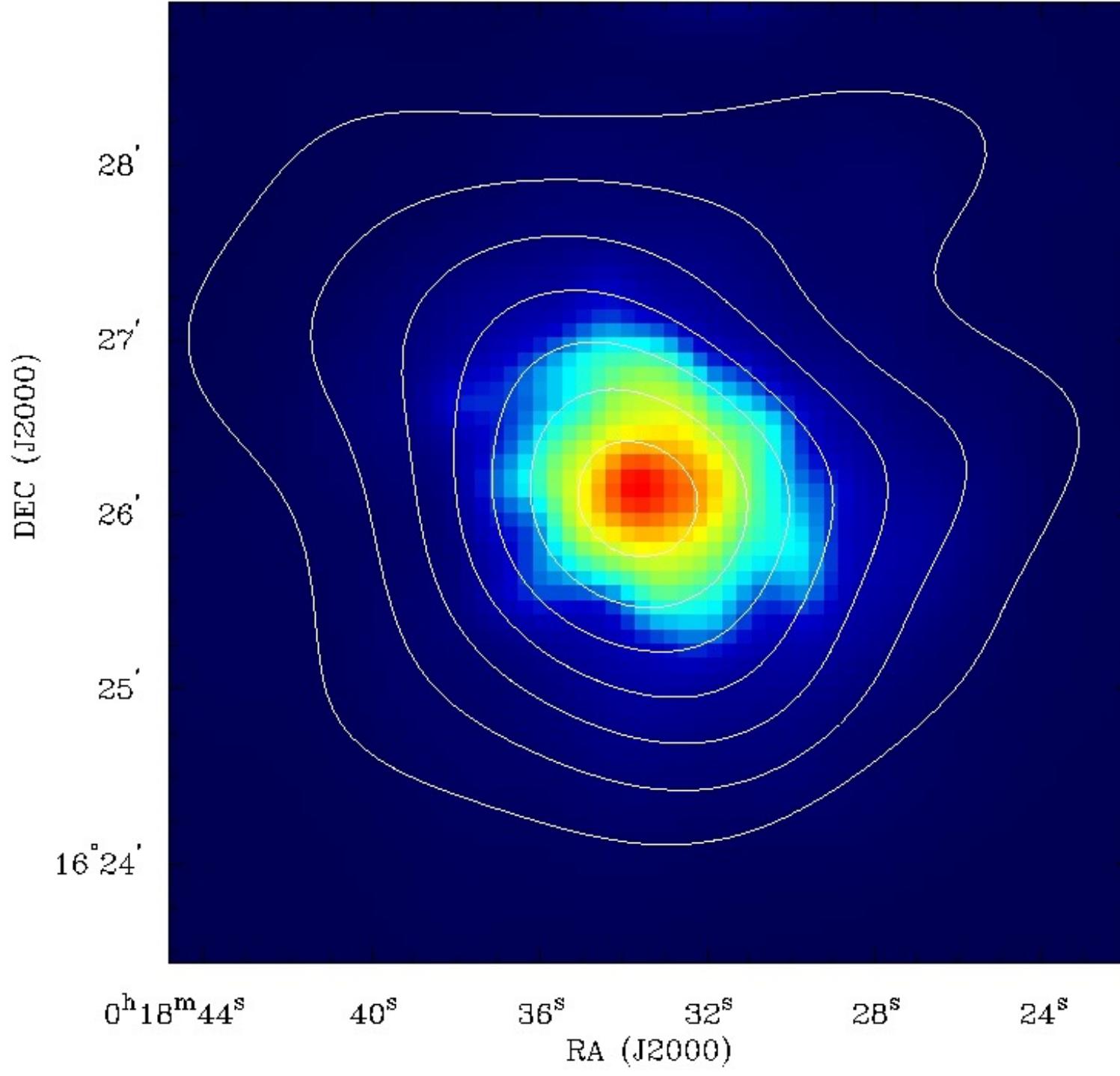
# Cluster Scaling Relations



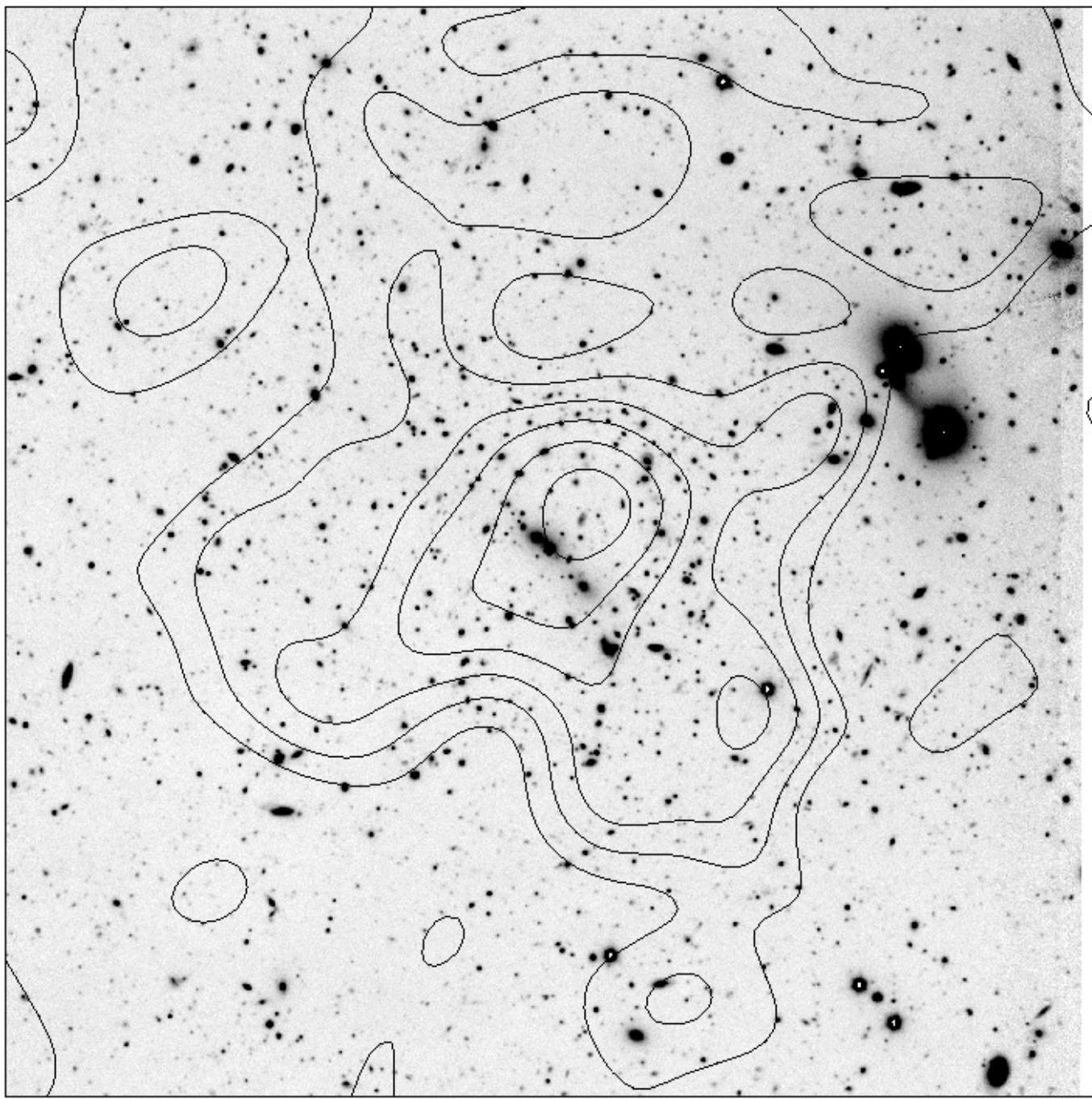
# Clusters of galaxies

## 9.9 Multi-wavelength studies

- Obtain as much information as possible in order to understand cluster behaviour (gastrophysics). Such deeper understanding is necessary to use them as precise cosmological tools
- X-ray: gas, potential
- Optical: galaxies, potential
- Radio: gas, potential



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## 9.9 Multi-wavelength studies

We observe:

- Lensing:  $e_i (X_i, Y_i)$
- X-rays:  $S_x (X, Y), T_x (X, Y)$
- SZ:  $\Delta T (X, Y), I (u, v)$

What we want:

- 3-D Physical Quantities:  $M (x, y, z), T_x (r, \theta, \phi), \rho (x, y, z), \dots$

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## 9.9 Multi-wavelength studies

### Lensing

- Observable:  $\epsilon_i, m_i, a_i \rightarrow g_i, \mu_i \rightarrow \psi, M$

$$g_i = \langle \epsilon \rangle$$

$$g_i = \frac{\gamma_i}{1 - \kappa} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \kappa = \frac{1}{2} [\psi_{,11}(\theta) + \psi_{,22}(\theta)] \\ \gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2} [\psi_{,11}(\theta) - \psi_{,22}(\theta)] \\ \gamma_2 = \psi_{,12}(\theta) \end{array} \right.$$

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### X-rays

- Observable:  $S_X \propto n_e^2 \Lambda \propto \rho_g^2 T^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow \rho_g \rightarrow \phi$

Beta model: 
$$S_X = S_{X0} \left(1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_c}\right)^2\right)^{-3\beta+\frac{1}{2}}$$

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### Sunyaev-Zeldovich

- Observable: Interferometry:  $u, v, I_{uv}$

Finite size aperture:  $I_{uv} \propto FT(I_{sky}) * FT(\text{beam})$

Low systematics

- Observable: Bolometers:  $\Delta T/T$

$$\Delta T/T \propto \rho T$$

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### Application

- Obtaining the Hubble constant combining X-ray and SZ data

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{■ X-rays: } S_X \propto D_A n_e^2 T^{1/2} \\ \text{■ SZ: } (\Delta T/T) \propto D_A n_e T \end{array} \right\} D_A \propto (\Delta T/T)^2 / S_X T^{3/2}$$