



## PHY-765 SS19 Gravitational Lensing Week 12

# Weak Gravitational Lensing

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# Last week - what did we learn?

- Lens Models:
  - Goal of a model is to minimize disagreement with observations

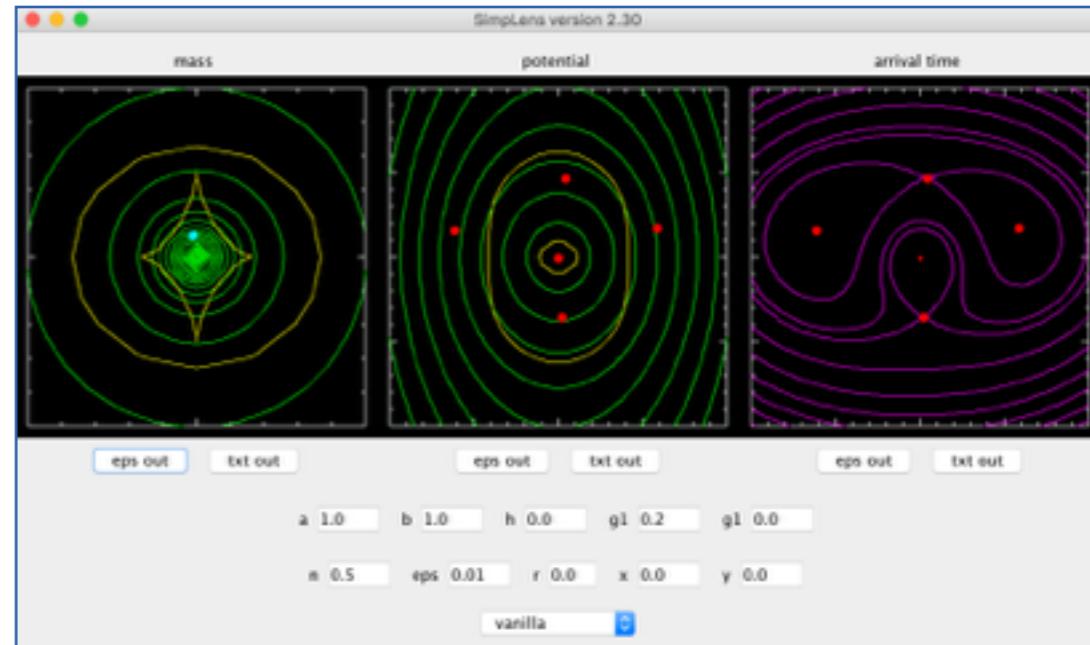
## Parametric

$$\chi_{\text{img}}^2 = \sum_i \left( \frac{\theta_i(\beta) - \theta_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2$$

## Non-Parametric

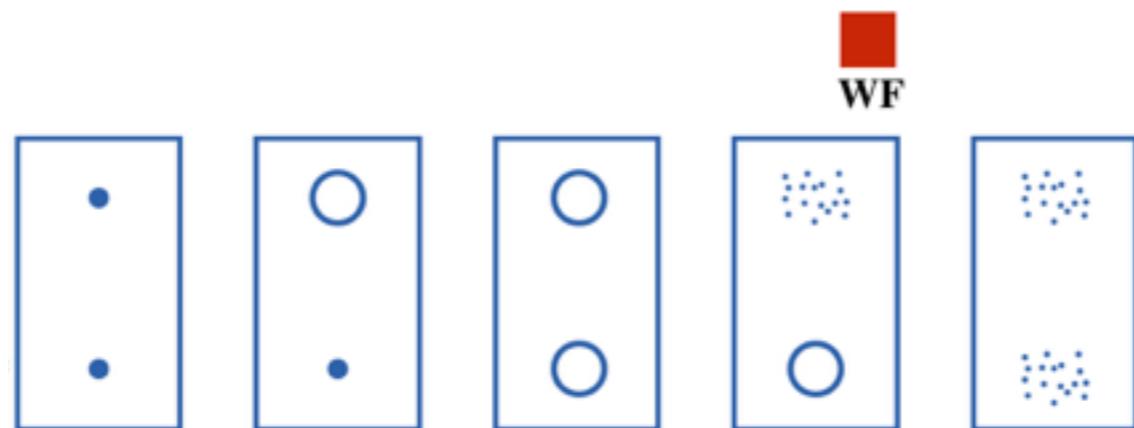
$$\chi^2 = \frac{|\mathbf{s}_I - P(\text{PSF}, \text{lens model}) \mathbf{s}_{\text{source plane}}|^2}{\sigma^2}$$

- Iterative modeling “by hand” with SimpLens
- The Mass Sheet Degeneracy:
  - ‘classes of models’ provide equally good fit
  - broken with multiple  $z$ -systems or independent mass estimate (e.g. velocity dispersion)
- Recent attempts at comparing and sharing lens modeling codes
  - SN Refsdal re-appearance predictions and comparisons; Treu et al. (2016)
  - Comparison of predictions on mock clusters; Meneghetti et al (2017)



# The aim of today

- Describe weak gravitational lensing
- The ideal spherical case of shearing images
- Relation between ellipticity and the gravitational potential ( $\kappa$  &  $\gamma$ )
- A few examples of effects from imaging to account for
- The Bullet Cluster - a spectacular DM proof from strong and weak lensing



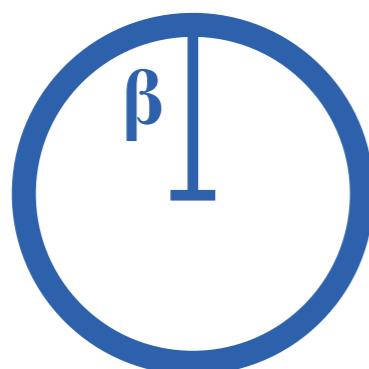
# Image Distortions - $\kappa$ and $\gamma$

- Image distortions can be described by the Jacobian matrix (week 7)

$$\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \theta_i} & \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \theta_j} \\ \frac{\partial \beta_j}{\partial \theta_i} & \frac{\partial \beta_j}{\partial \theta_j} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial \theta_i} & -\frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial \theta_j} \\ -\frac{\partial \alpha_j}{\partial \theta_i} & 1 - \frac{\partial \alpha_j}{\partial \theta_j} \end{pmatrix} = (\delta_{ij} - \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{ij})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Psi}_{ij} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \kappa + \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_2 & \kappa - \gamma_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \mu = \frac{1}{(1 - \kappa)^2 - \gamma^2} \quad \gamma^2 \equiv \gamma_1^2 + \gamma_2^2$$

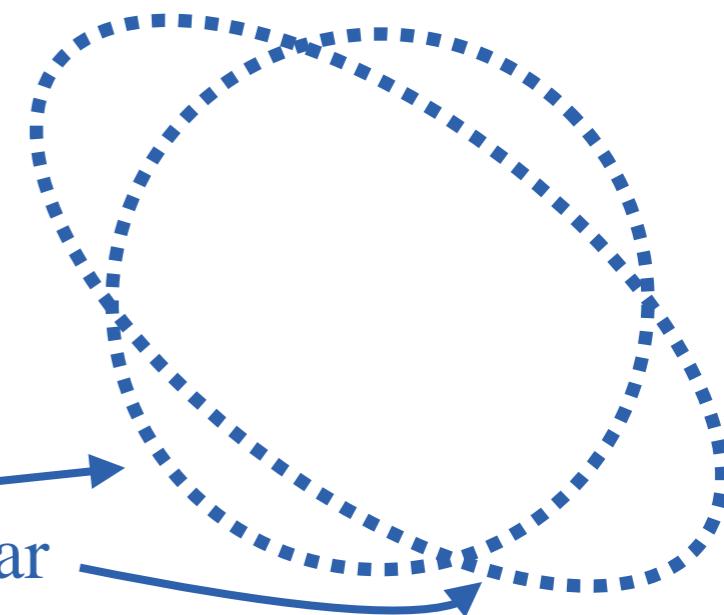
Source Plane



$\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$   
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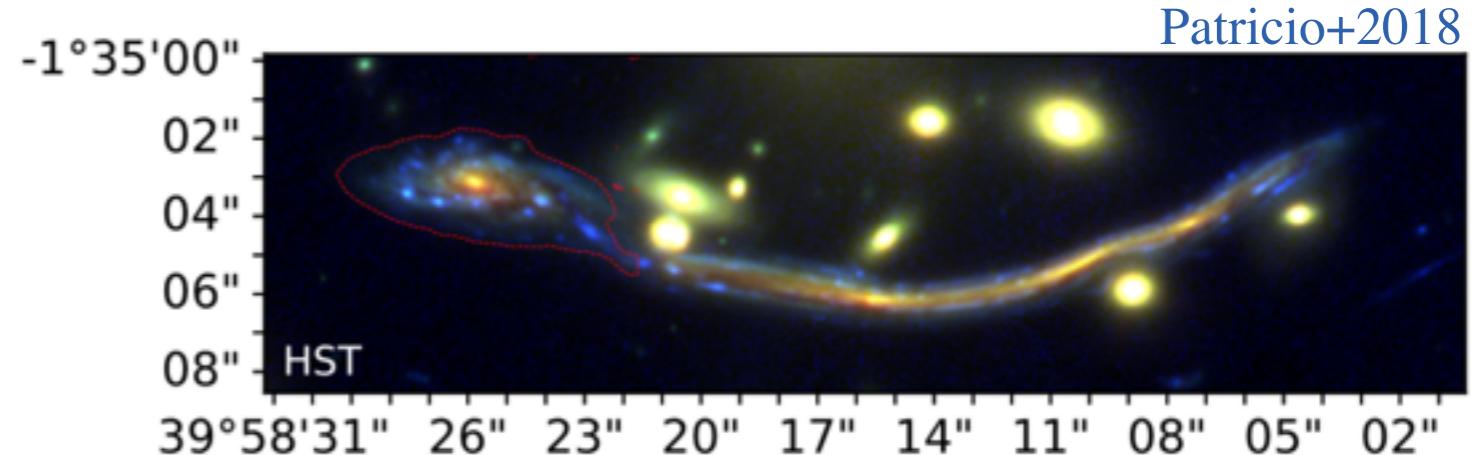
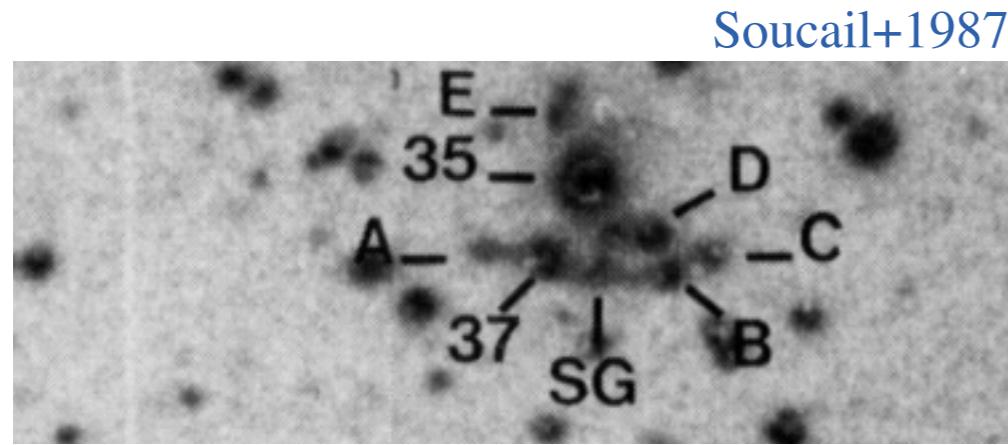
Lens (Image) Plane

Convergence only  
Convergence + Shear



# Weak Lensing

- Already in the early days of lensing, arcs were observed, e.g. in A370



- Clear that this effect, i.e. shearing of images must happen on all scales
- Weak lensing is the regime where the distortions become small
$$\mathcal{A}(\theta) = (\delta_{ij} - \Psi_{ij}) \quad \mathcal{A}(\theta) \rightarrow \delta_{ij}$$
- To measure the effect, statistical approaches need to be applied
  - Collect as many galaxies as possible → go faint (dig into the noise)
  - Digging into the noise requires good handle of telescope and obs. effects
- Photographic plates not linear, so not possible before the CCD (early 90s)

# Idealized Weak Lensing

- Consider an un-lensed spherical object with radius  $\beta_0$
- If  $\kappa = 0$ ,  $\gamma_2 = 0$  and  $\gamma_1 \neq 0$  (but small) then  $\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \gamma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 + \gamma_1 \end{pmatrix}$
- So the projection from source ( $\beta$ ) to image ( $\theta$ ) plane is
$$\frac{d\beta_1}{d\theta_1} = 1 - \gamma_1 \quad \frac{d\beta_2}{d\theta_2} = 1 + \gamma_1$$
- Solving and adding in quadrature gives an ellipse on the form  $1 = \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2}$ 
$$1 = \frac{(1 - \gamma_1)^2}{\beta_0^2} \theta_1^2 + \frac{(1 + \gamma_1)^2}{\beta_0^2} \theta_2^2$$
- If  $\gamma_2$  is the only non-zero component the distortion is given by

$$1 = \frac{(\theta_1 - \gamma_2 \theta_2)^2}{\beta_0^2} + \frac{(\theta_2 - \gamma_2 \theta_1)^2}{\beta_0^2} \quad (\text{Exercise 2})$$



# Image Moments and Ellipticity

- A convenient method to obtain shape from images is via “moments”
  - standard image processing tool to recognize/describe shapes in images
- The moment of an image is the (intensity) weighted sum of image pixels

$$M_{pq} = \sum_i \sum_j i^p j^q I(i, j)$$

- The 0th order moment is:

$$M_{00} = \sum_i \sum_j i^0 j^0 = N_{\text{pixels}}$$

- The first order moments are:

$$M_{10} = \sum_i \sum_j i^1 j^0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \bar{x} = M_{10}/M_{00}$$

$$M_{01} = \sum_i \sum_j i^0 j^1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \bar{y} = M_{01}/M_{00}$$

- 2nd order moments  $M_{20}$ ,  $M_{02}$  and  $M_{11}$  provides covariance matrixes
  - Shape information (read: ellipticity)

# Image Moments and Ellipticity

- This image moment corresponds to integrating over the surface brightness

$$q_{ij} \equiv \int d^2\theta \, S^{\text{obs}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \theta_i \theta_j$$

- Then ellipticity can be defined in terms of surface brightness moments as

$$\epsilon_1 \equiv \frac{q_{11} - q_{22}}{q_{11} + q_{22}} \quad \epsilon_2 \equiv \frac{2q_{12}}{q_{11} + q_{22}}$$

- For example, elongation along the x-axis:  $q_{11} > q_{22}$  so  $\epsilon_1 > 0$
- We are assuming that the objects are spherical:  $S(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = S(|\boldsymbol{\beta}|)$
- Preferable to integrate in the source plane (no distortions)
- Transforming coordinates is done with the Jacobian elements  $\mathcal{A}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \theta_j}$   
 $d^2\theta \rightarrow \left| \frac{\partial \theta_j}{\partial \beta_i} \right| d^2\beta \quad \beta_i = \mathcal{A}_{ij} \theta_j$ 
  - have used that the Jacobian is roughly constant over the galaxy size ( $\sim$ arcsec)

# Image Moments and Ellipticity

- Hence, the moments can be calculated in the source plane with

$$q_{ij} = \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{ii'}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{jj'} \int d^2\beta \mathcal{S}(\beta) \beta_{i'} \beta_{j'}$$

- This is independent of direction for spherically symmetric sources
- Inserting into definition of ellipticity components gives (integral drops out)

$$\epsilon_1 \equiv \frac{(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i} - (\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}}{(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i} + (\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}}$$

$$\epsilon_2 \equiv \frac{2(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}}{(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i} + (\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{2i}}$$

Using Einstein summation:

$$(\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i} (\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i} = \sum_i (\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i} (\mathcal{A}^{-1})_{1i}$$

- Using the inverse of the Jacobian matrix we get

$$\epsilon_1 \equiv 2\gamma_1 \frac{1 - \kappa}{(1 - \kappa)^2 + \gamma_1^2 + \gamma_2^2}$$

$$\epsilon_2 \equiv 2\gamma_2 \frac{1 - \kappa}{(1 - \kappa)^2 + \gamma_1^2 + \gamma_2^2}$$

(Exercise 3)

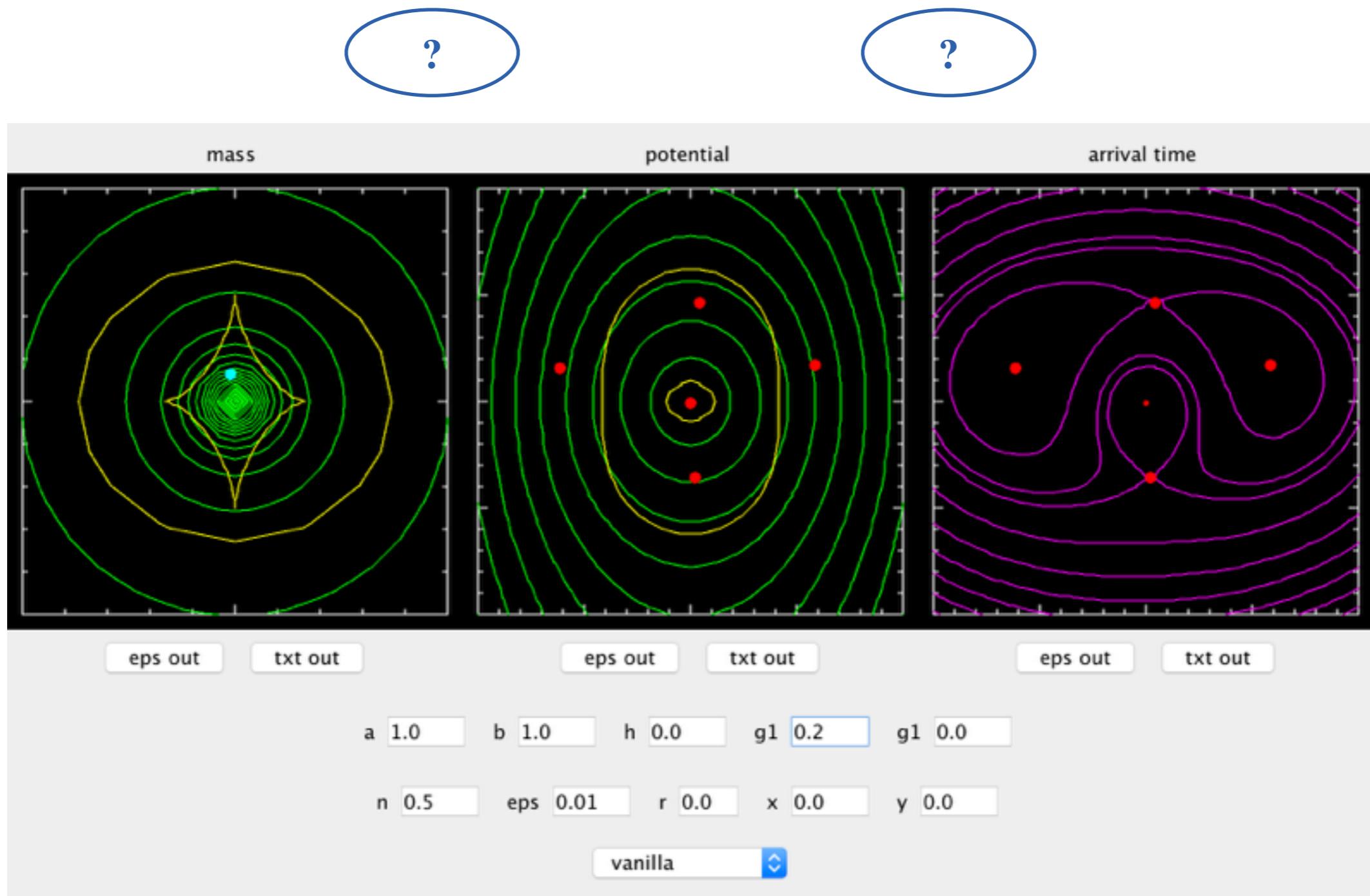
$$\epsilon_i = \frac{2\gamma_i}{1 - \kappa} \left[ 1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{(1 - \kappa)^2} \right]^{-1}$$

The reduced shear  
(1- $\kappa$ ) independent of shape

- So the ellipticity relates to  $\gamma$  and  $\kappa$ , and hence the gravitational potential

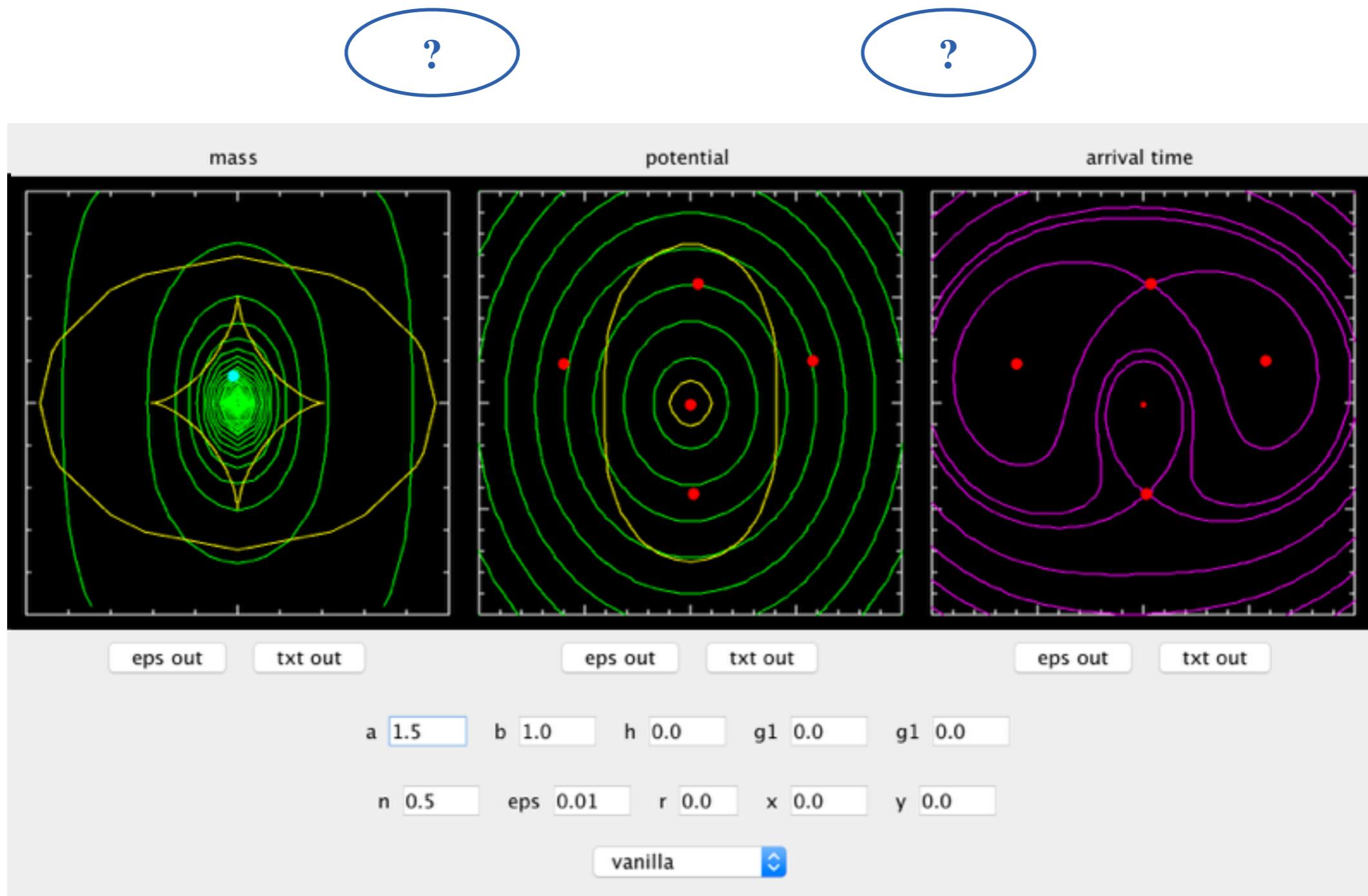
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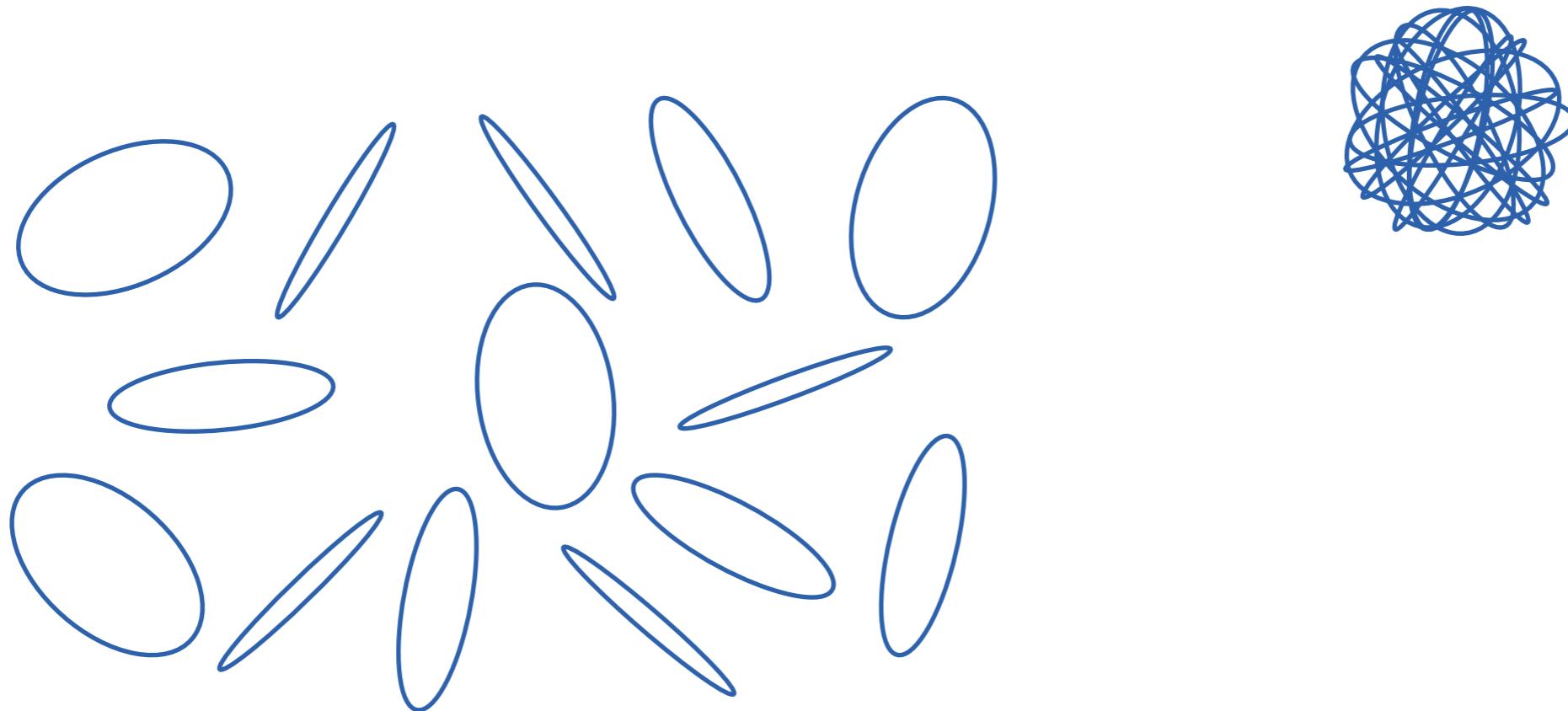
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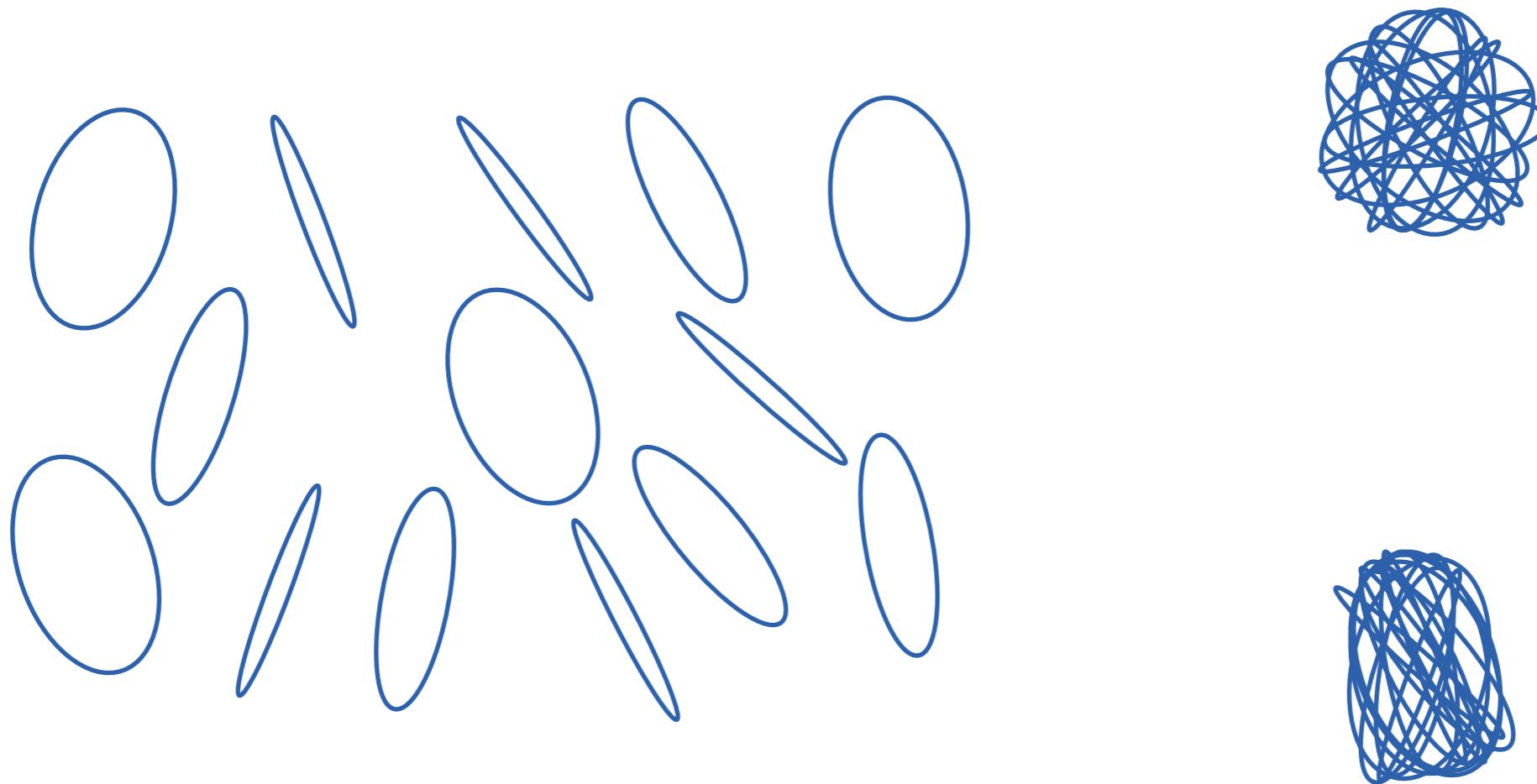
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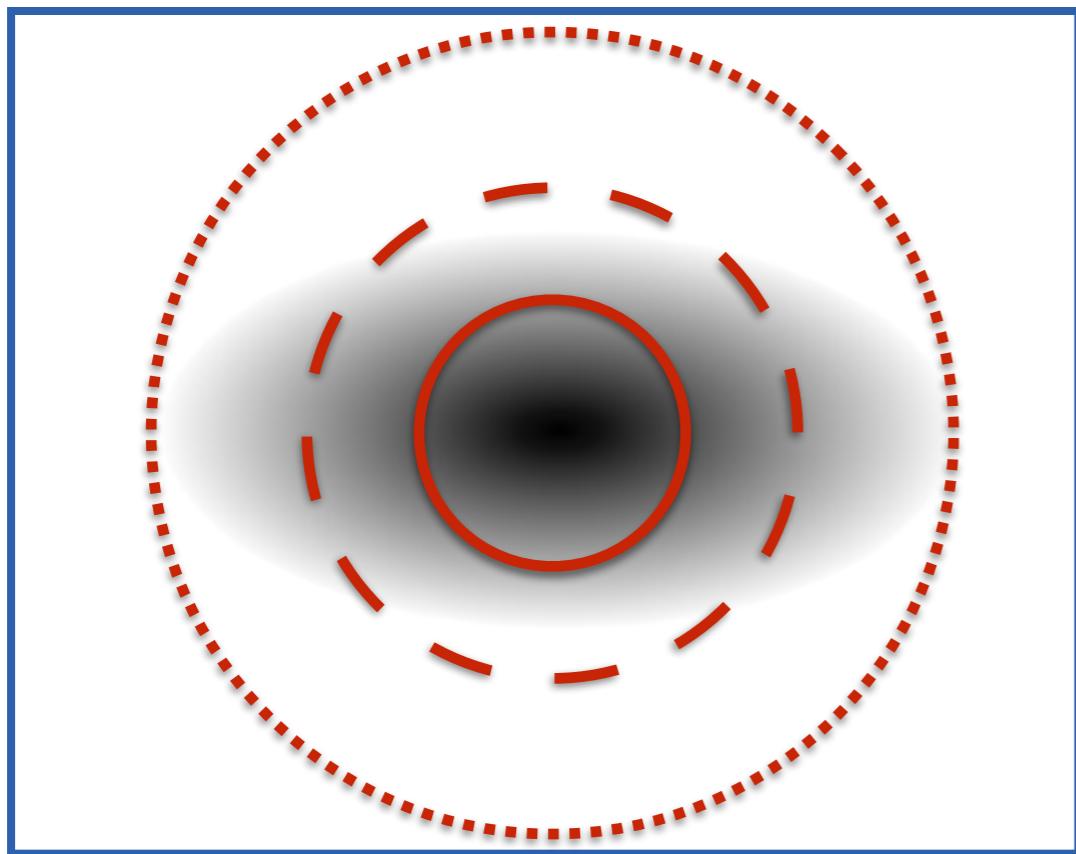
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- Shear is correlated with the mass, i.e., not random.
  - At a given position the same for all galaxies



# Weighting of pixels

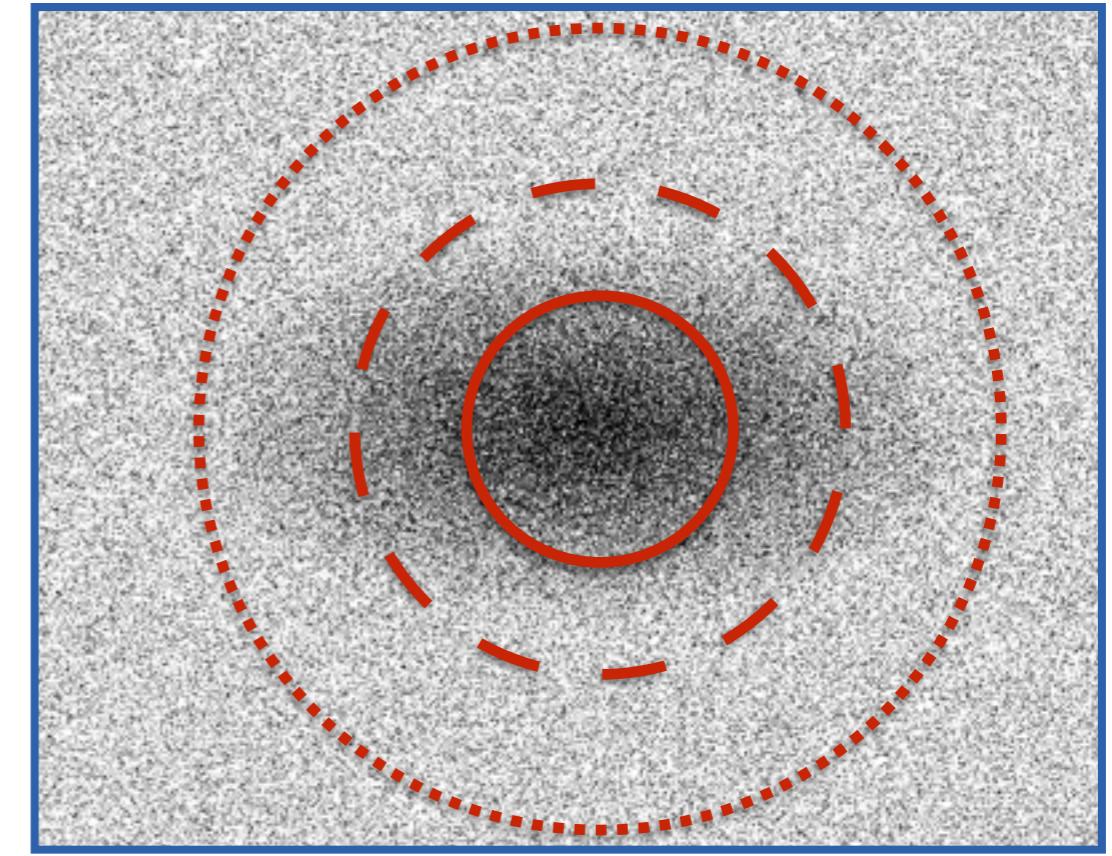
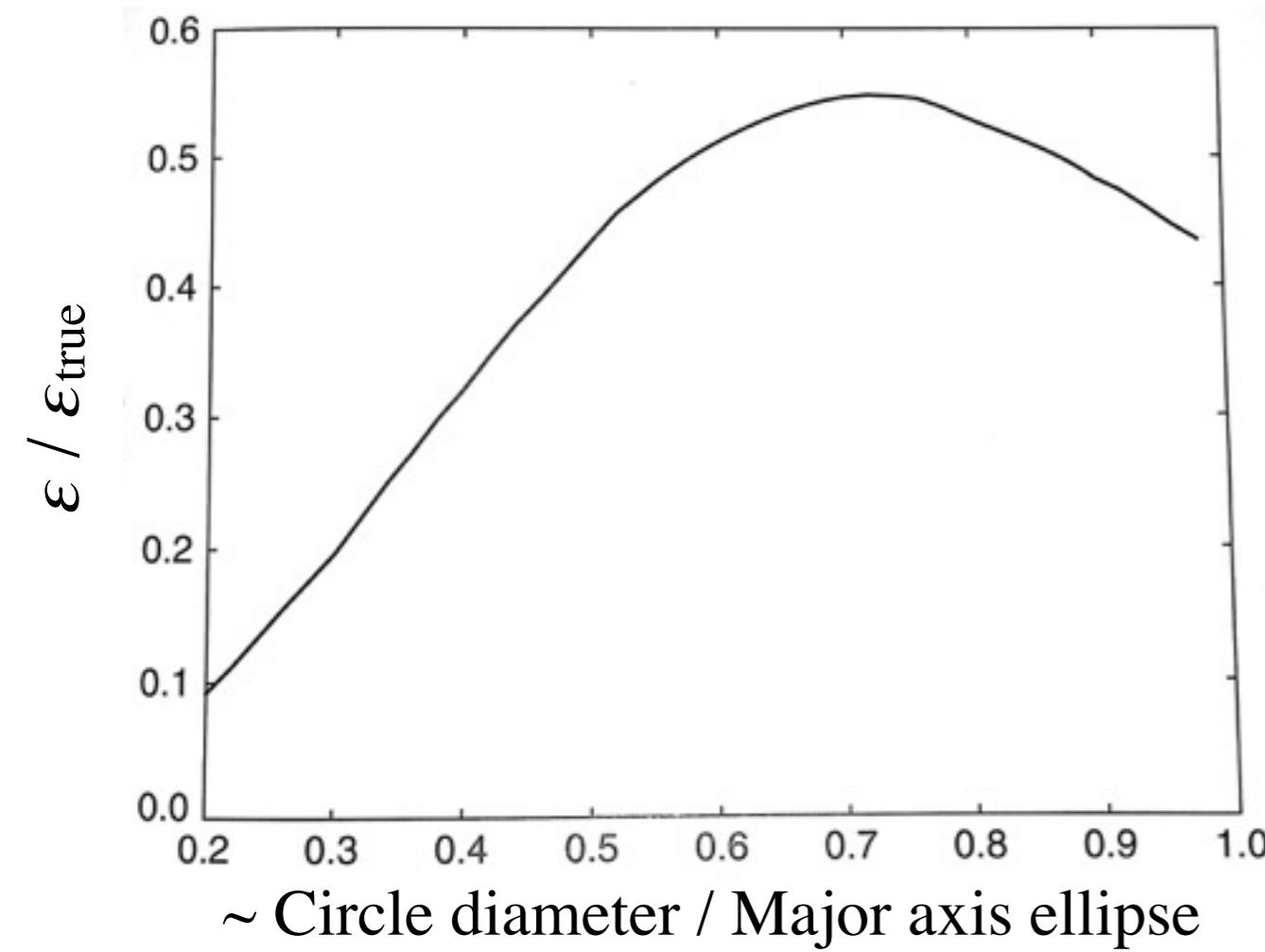
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# Ellipticities accounting for $W$ and $\varepsilon_{\text{intrinsic}}$

- Introducing a weighting of the pixels (not just by surface brightness)

$$Q_{ij} \equiv \int d^2\theta \, S^{\text{obs}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) W(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \theta_i \theta_j$$

- So for the circular source,  $W(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  is a circular step function
- Defining  $\varepsilon_1$  and  $\varepsilon_2$  in terms of  $Q_{11}$  and  $Q_{22}$  one can express these including the weight function in a way similar to the simplified spherical case
- The observed moments can be expressed as

$$Q_{ij}^{\text{obs}} \simeq Q_{ij} - \Psi_{lm} \int d^2\theta \frac{\partial S(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_l} W(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \theta_i \theta_j \theta_m$$

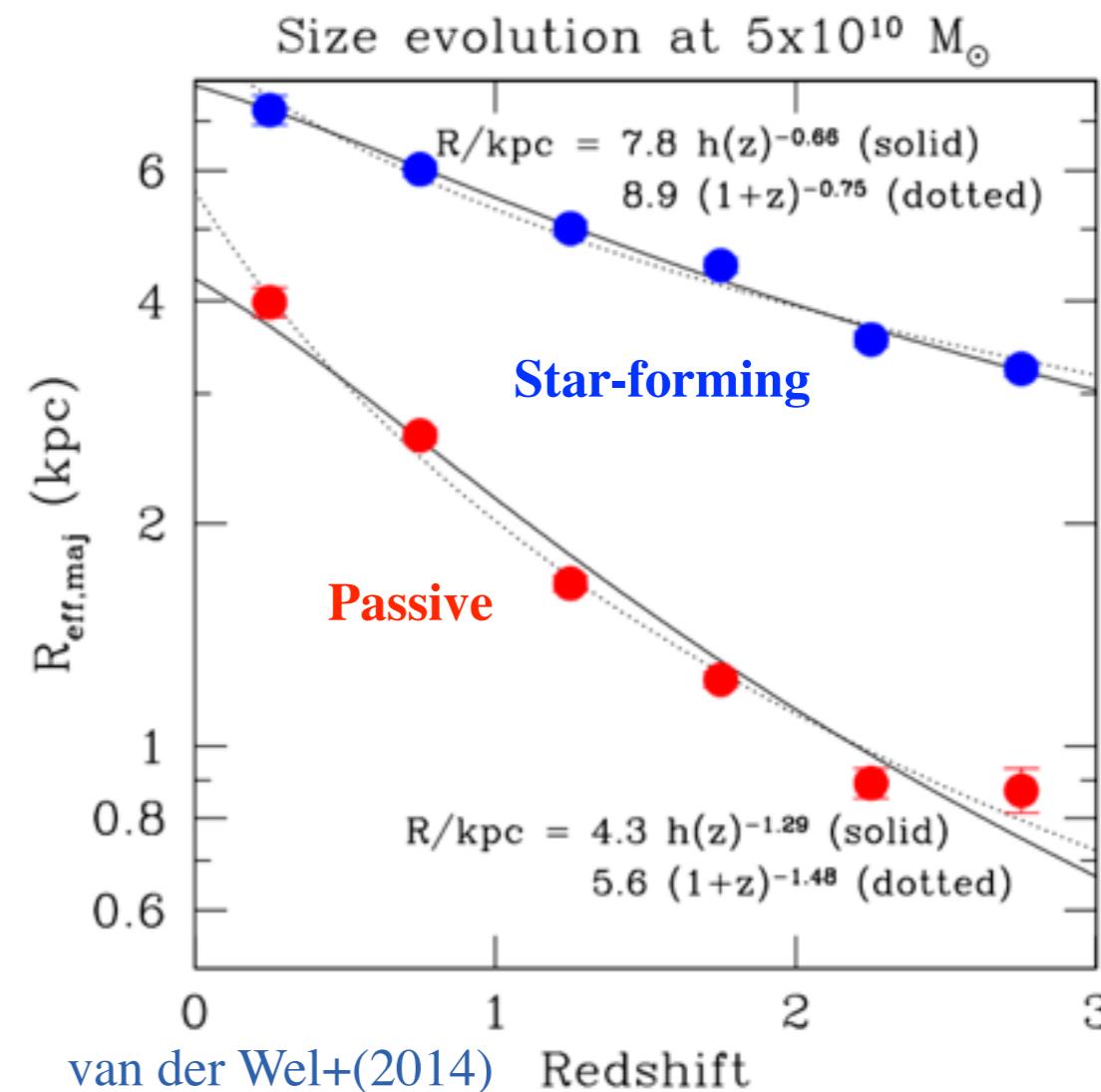
Gives the  
observed ellipticity

expresses the  
intrinsic ellipticity

Accounts for the  
distortion from shearing

# Assembling large samples of galaxies

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  - Wide-field and deep observations
- Distant faint galaxies are small (Exercise 4)
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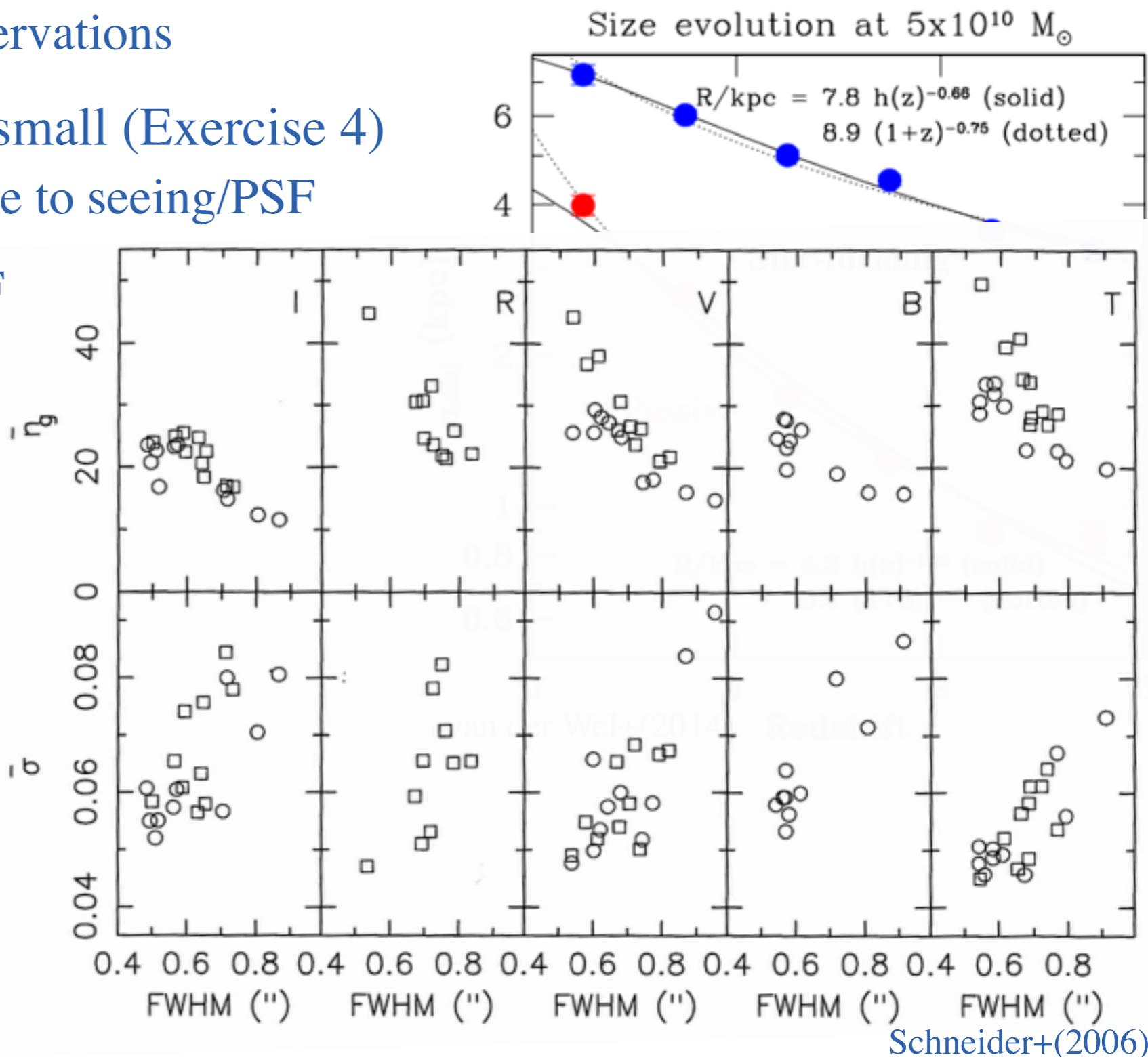
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- Results dependent on PSF

Number of galaxies with reliable shear measurement

The noise in signal from intrinsic ellipticity

- $\square$   $t_{\text{exp}} \sim 45 \text{ min}$
- $\circ$   $t_{\text{exp}} \sim 2 \text{ hours}$

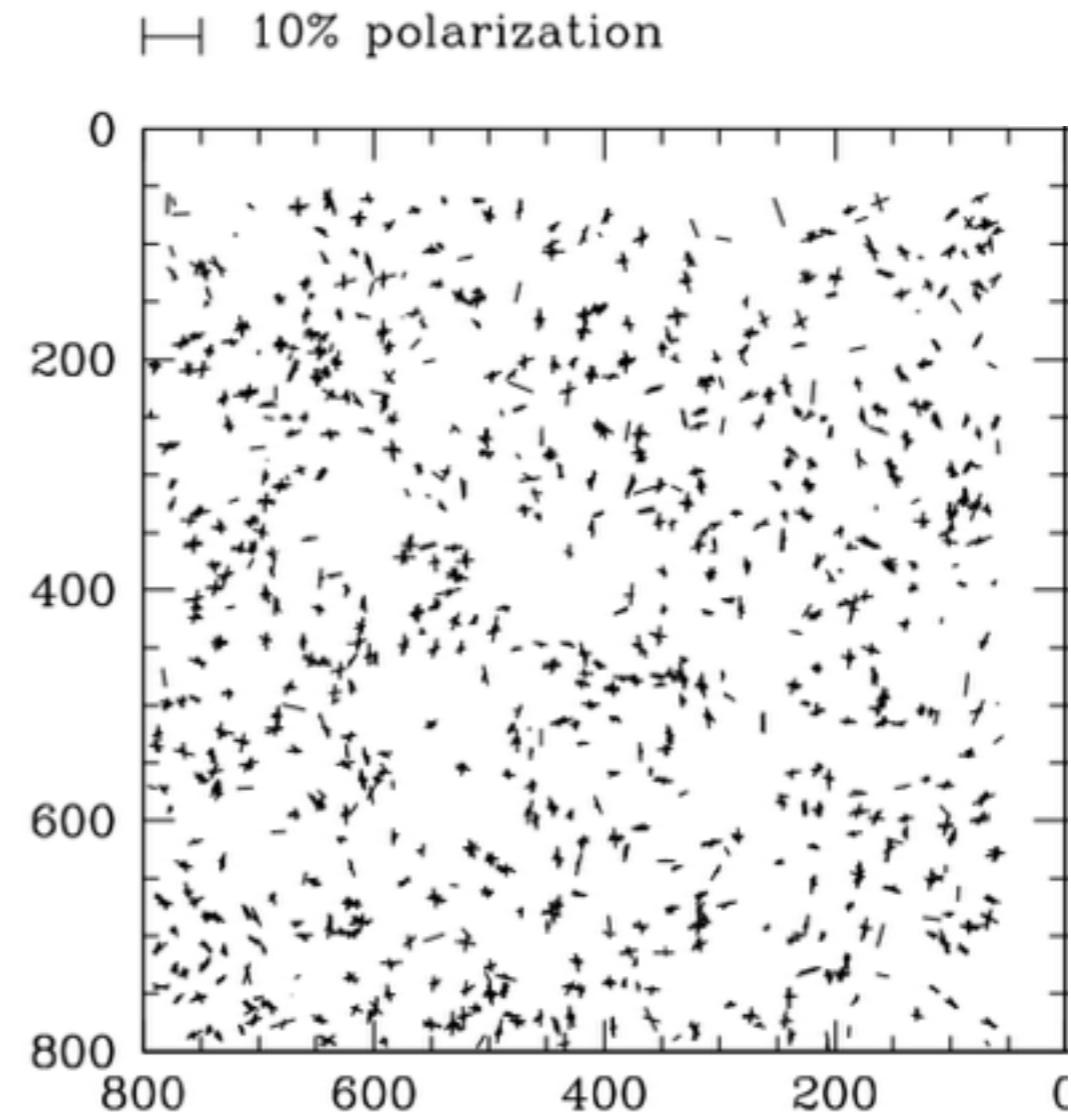
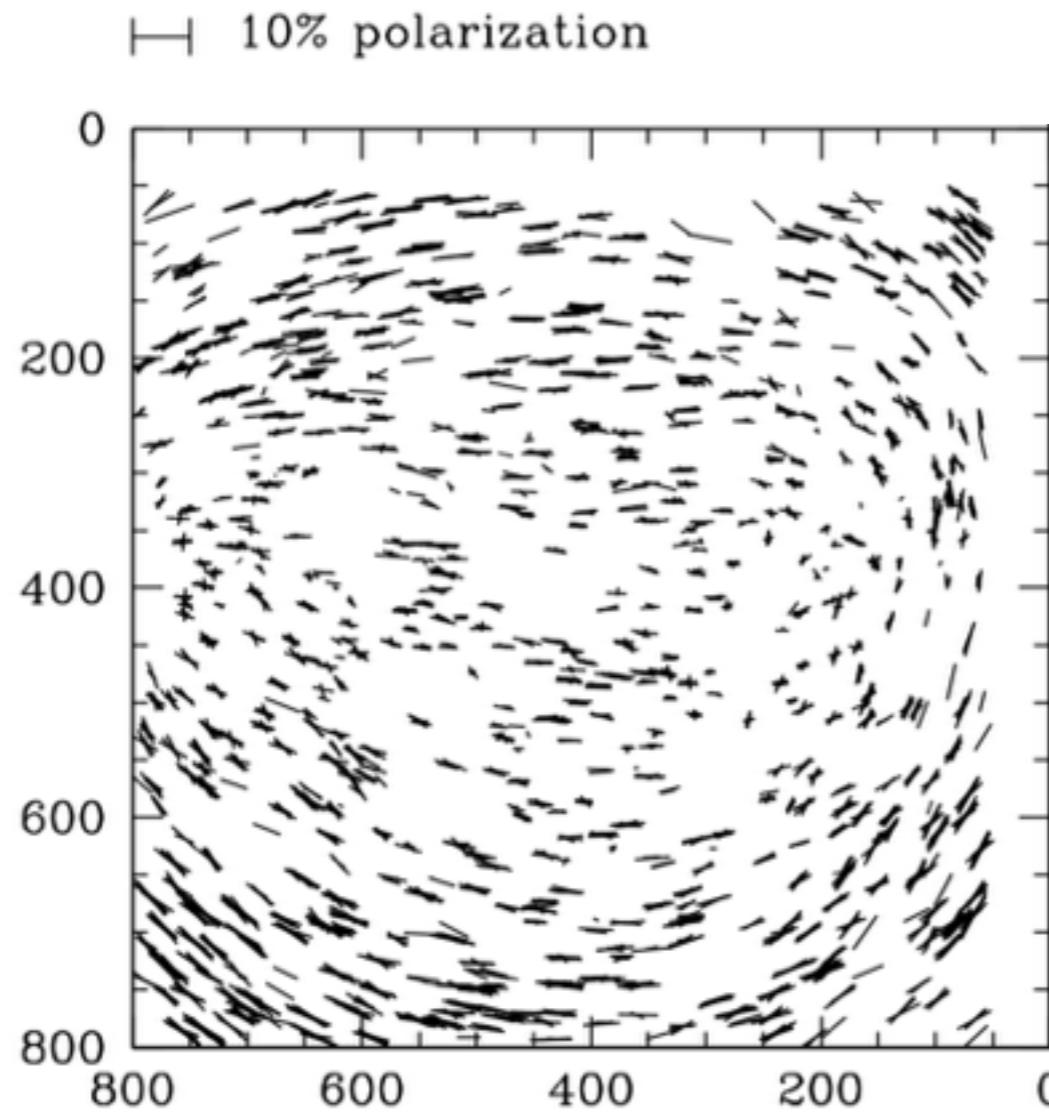


# Correcting for the PSF

- PSF can be treated as another weight functions varying over the FoV

$$Q_{ij} \equiv \int d^2\theta \, S^{\text{obs}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) P(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \theta_i \theta_j \quad \Rightarrow \quad Q'_{ij} = Q_{ij} + P_{lm} Y_{lmij}$$

- Iterative modeling minimizing  $\chi^2$  comparing data with model predictions

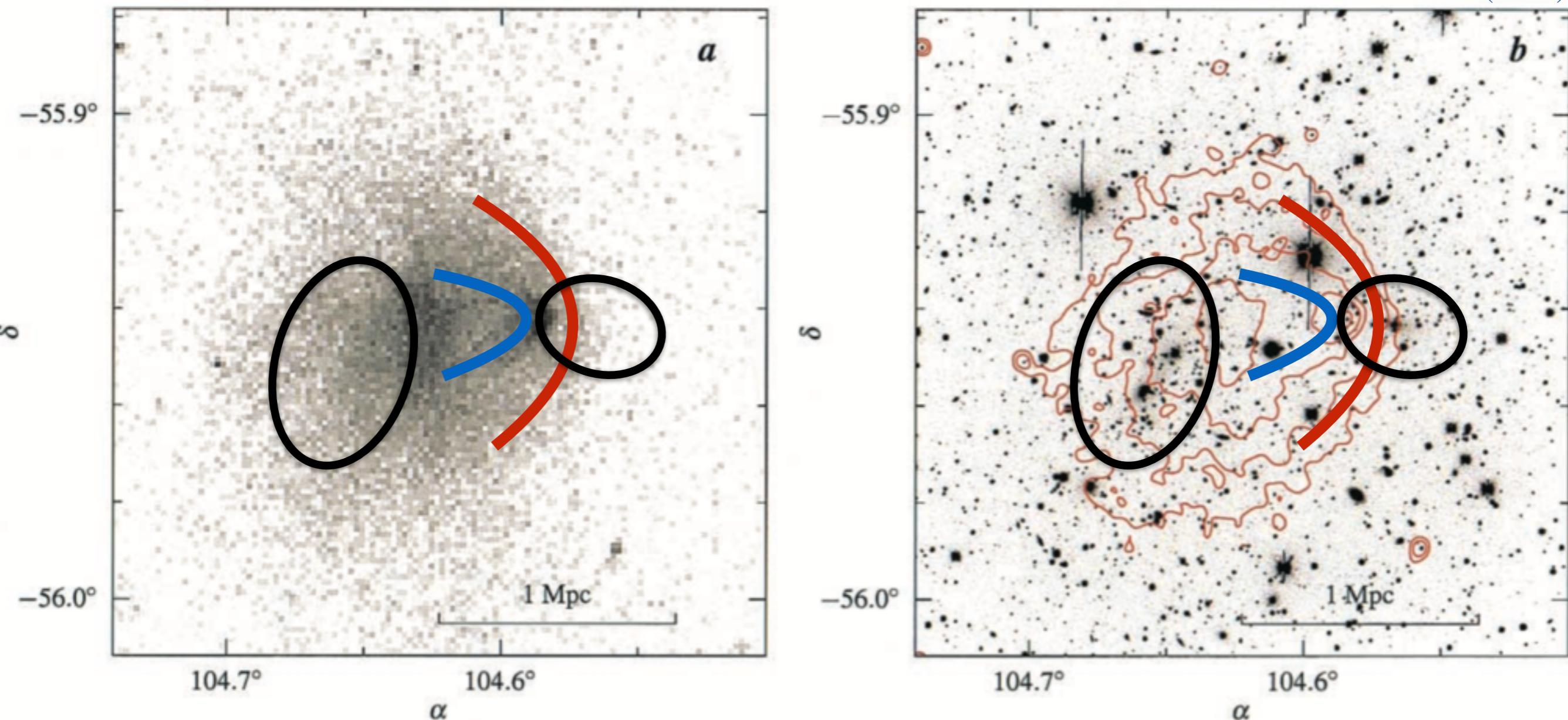


Hoekstra+(1998)

# The Bullet Cluster: 1E 0657 558

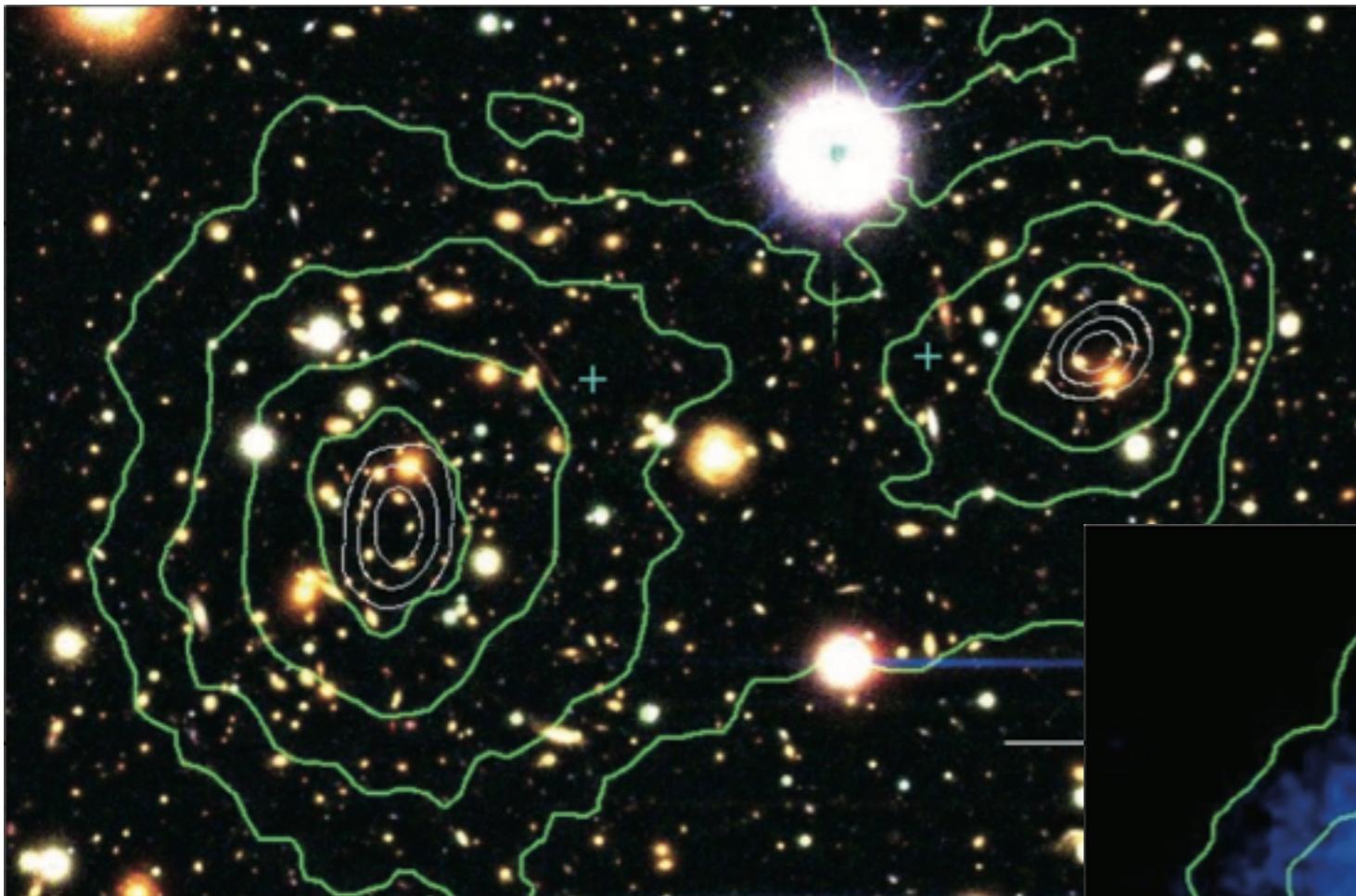
- X-rays obsessed with *Chandra* probe the hot gas in the cluster
  - See a clear bow shock of hot gas in front of ‘bullet’ from the cluster collision
- Displacement of ~90% of the mass → galaxy clumps contain less mass

Markevitch+(2002)

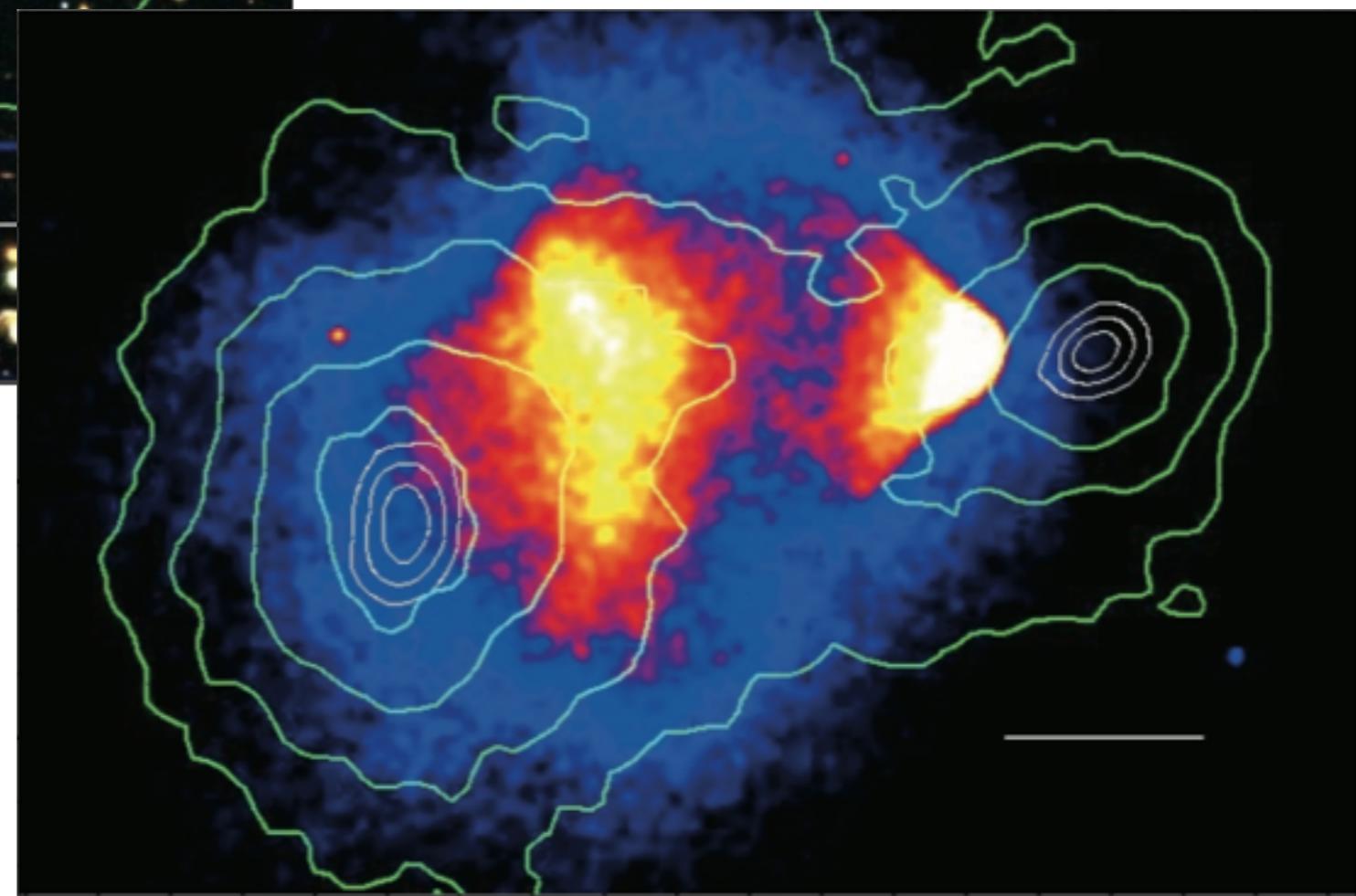


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- Combining the X-ray and lensing info provides a strong proof for DM



Clowe+(2006)

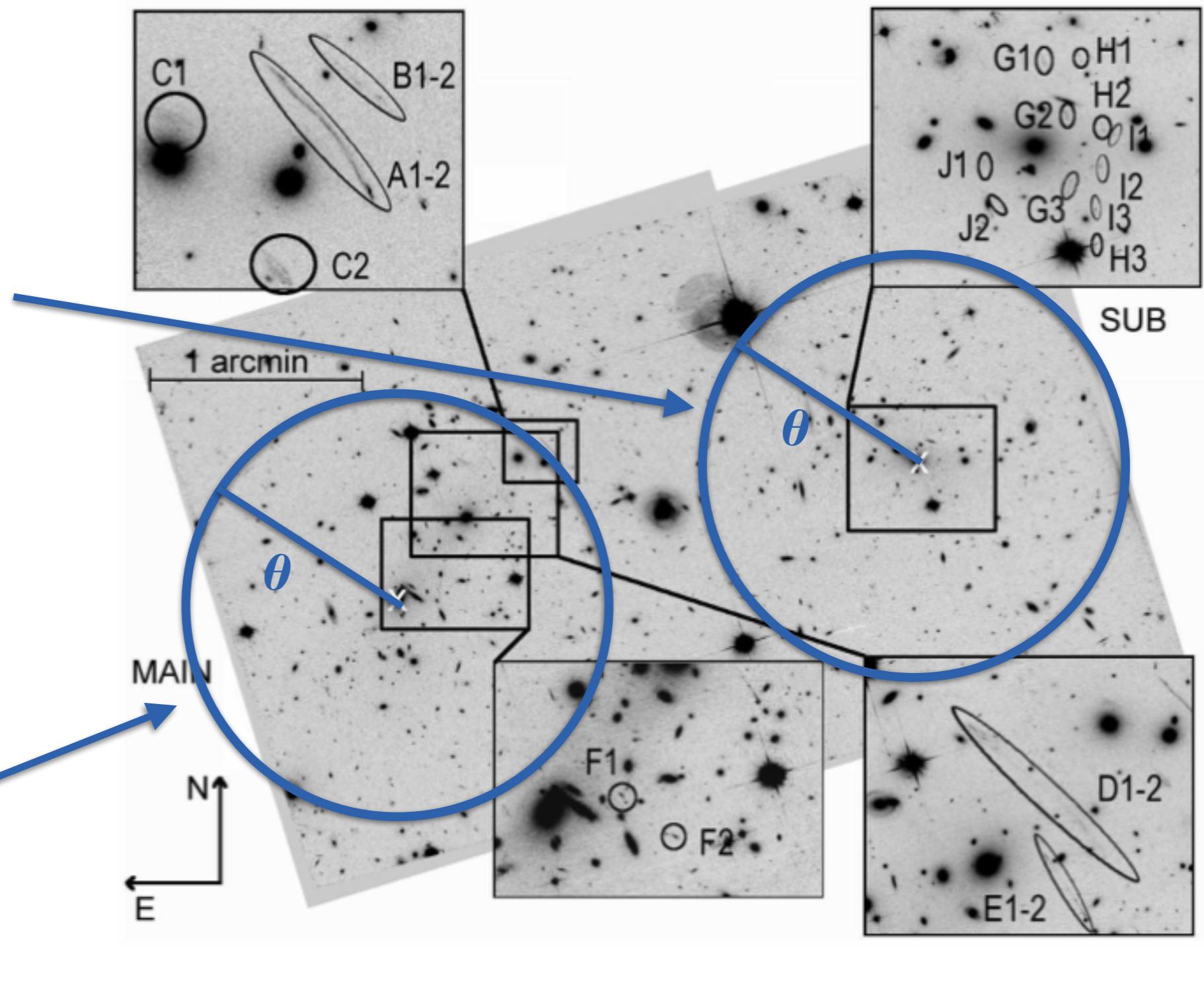
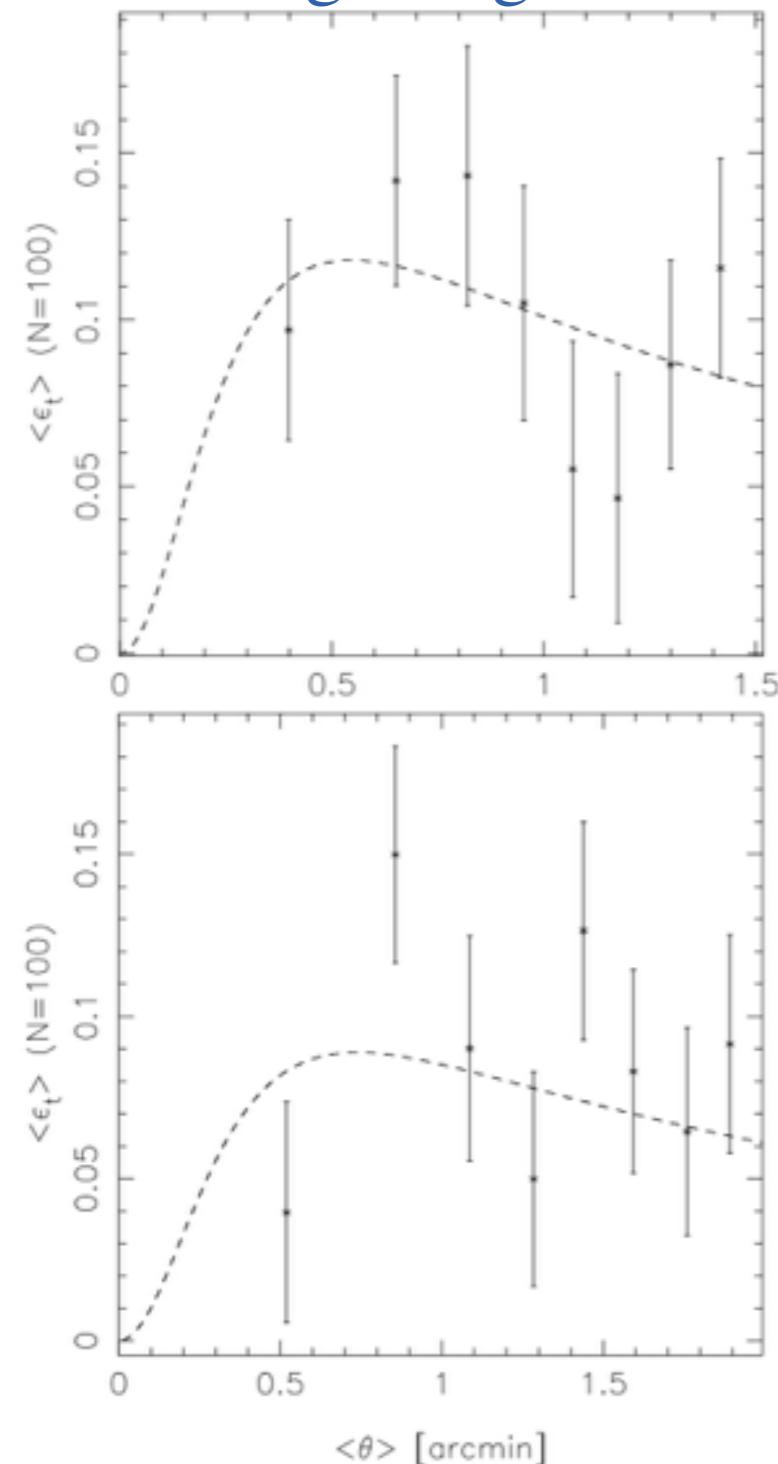


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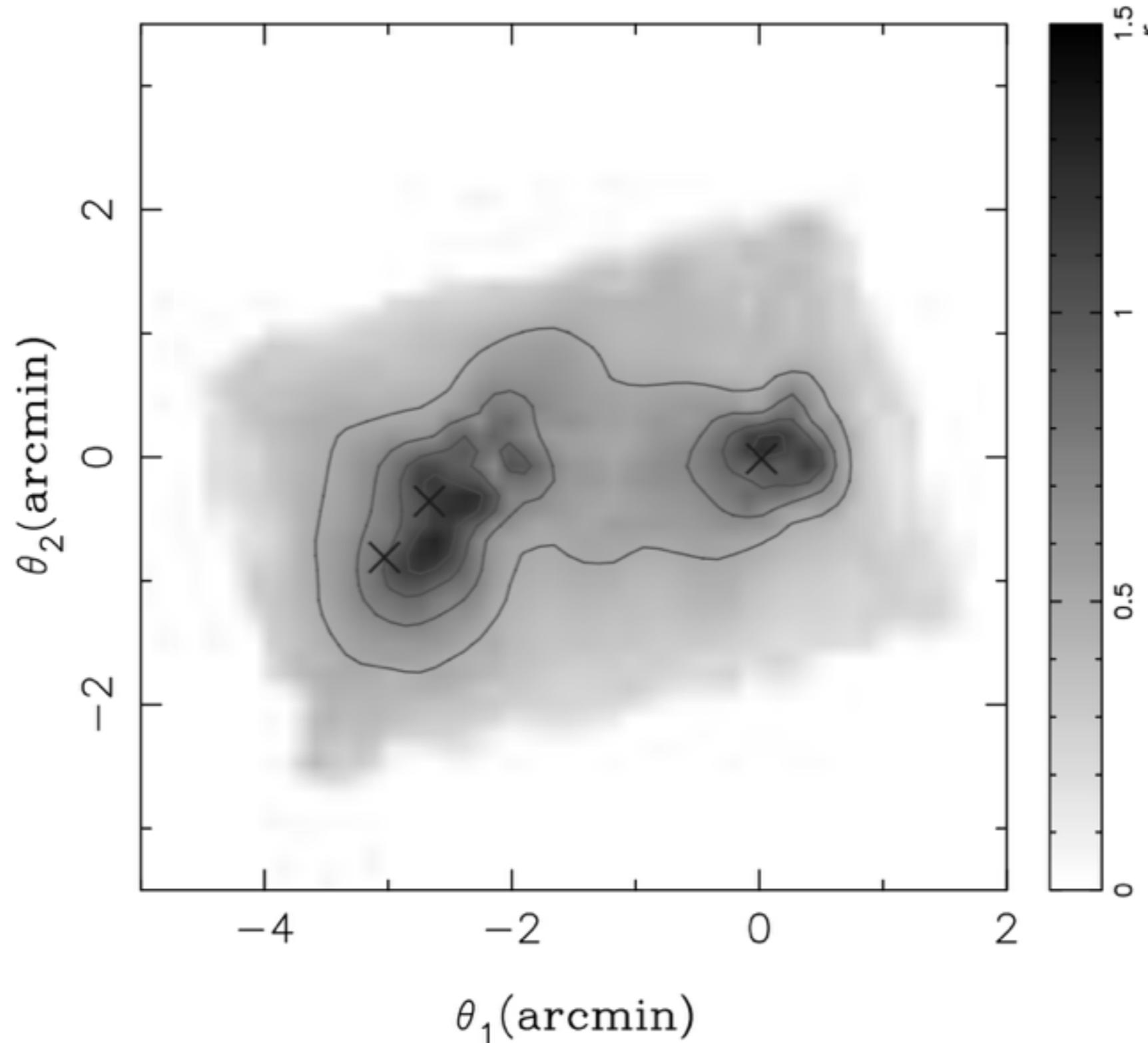
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Average tangential  $\epsilon$

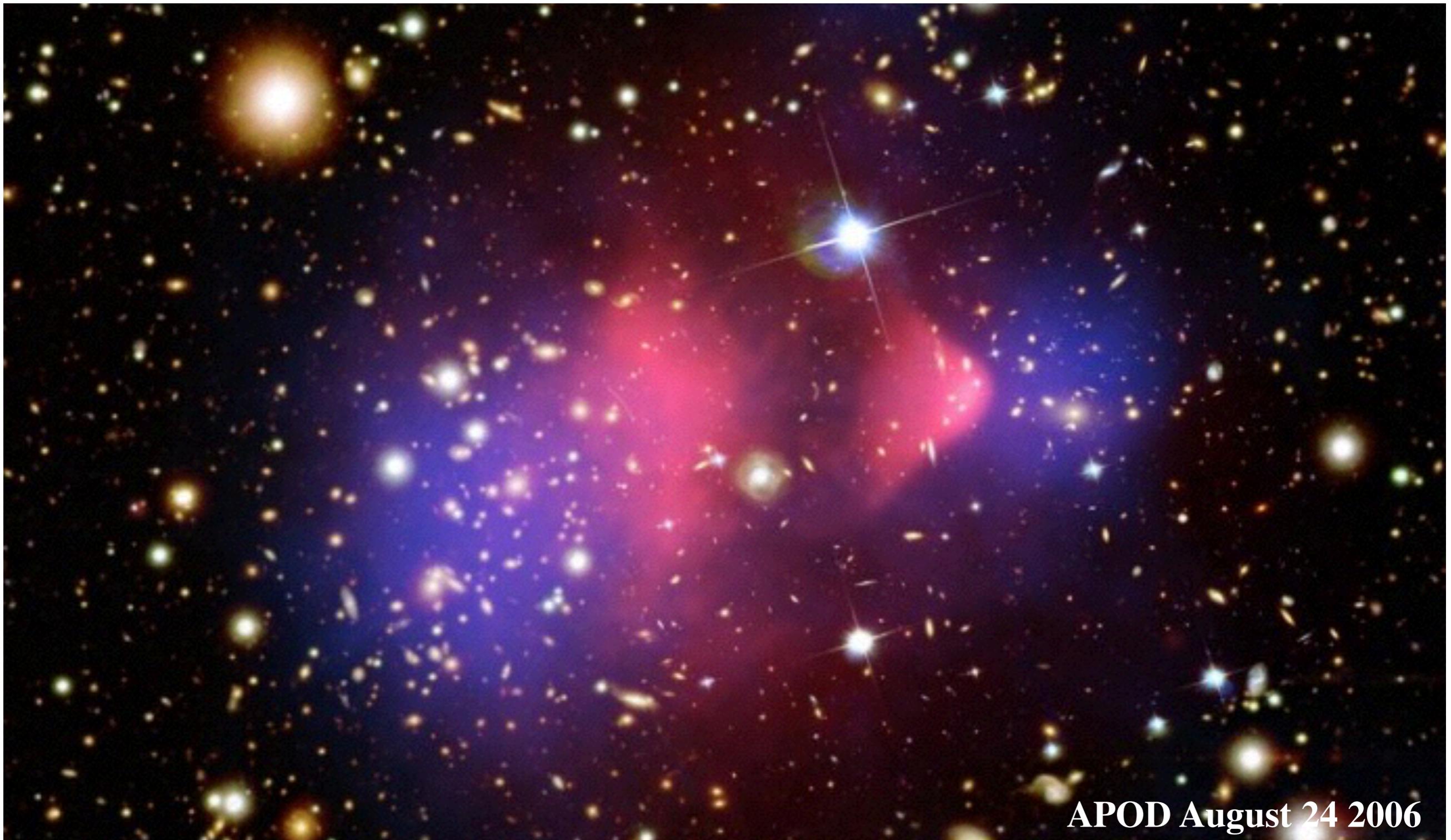


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# So in summary...

- The 2nd order surface brightness moments are defined as

$$q_{ij} \equiv \int d^2\theta \, S^{\text{obs}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \theta_i \theta_j$$

- For the ideal spherical galaxy case, they can be used to express the ellipticity of an object as

$$\epsilon_i = \frac{2\gamma_i}{1-\kappa} \left[ 1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{(1-\kappa)^2} \right]^{-1}$$

- This depends directly on the gravitational potential through  $\kappa$  and  $\gamma$
- In the general case also noise, PSF, intrinsic ellipticity (among other things) needs to be accounted for.

$$Q_{ij}^{\text{obs}} \simeq Q_{ij} - \Psi_{lm} \int d^2\theta \frac{\partial S(\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\partial \theta_l} W(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \theta_i \theta_j \theta_m$$

$$Q'_{ij} = Q_{ij} + P_{lm} Y_{lmij}$$

- The bullet cluster provides direct empirical proof of the existence of DM

