

Cosmology with the Chandra cluster data

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The Goal: constrain dark energy

- dark energy affects expansion of the Universe
- $H(z)$ can be “observed” through
 - distances: $D(z) \propto \int \frac{dz}{H(z)}$
 - growth of structure: $\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} - 4\pi G\rho_M\delta = 0$
 $(\delta = \rho_M/\langle\rho_M\rangle - 1)$
- Given $\langle\delta^2(M)\rangle$, theory predicts $N_{\text{clusters}}(M)$

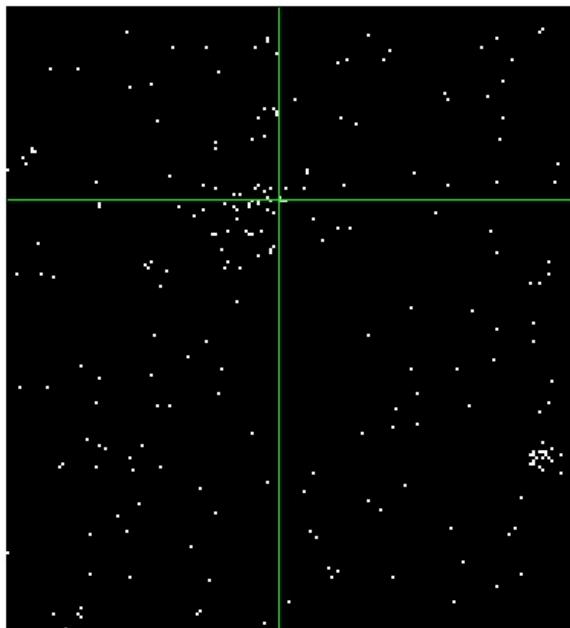
The Plan

1. Find many high- z clusters
2. Measure their M as accurately as possible

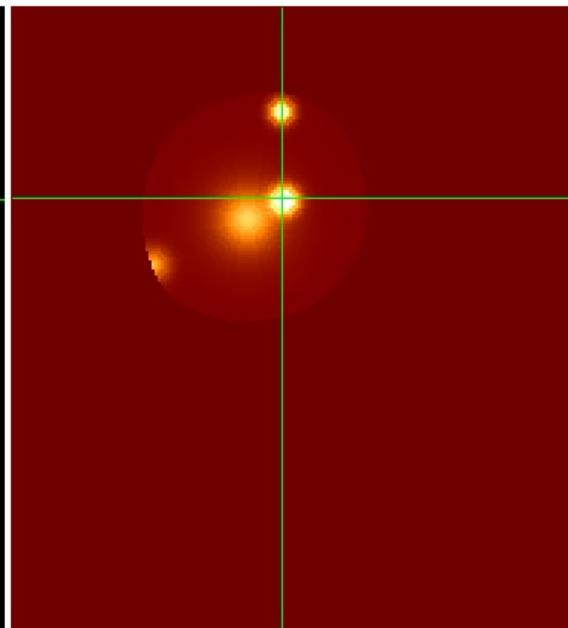
The Survey

- Over 400 deg² of ROSAT pointed observations
- 100% optically identified, 95% clean
- 37 high-flux clusters at $z > 0.4$
- Volume = $3 \times V(z < 0.1)$
- All distant clusters followed up with *Chandra* (nearly complete)
 $(\Delta T/T \simeq 10\% - 15\%)$

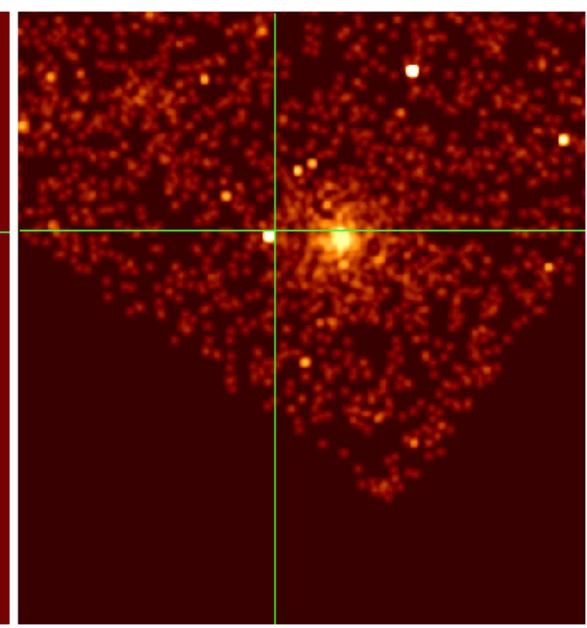
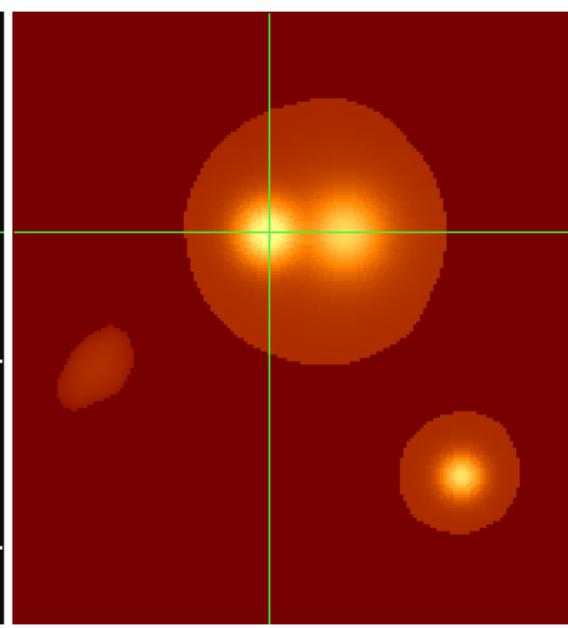
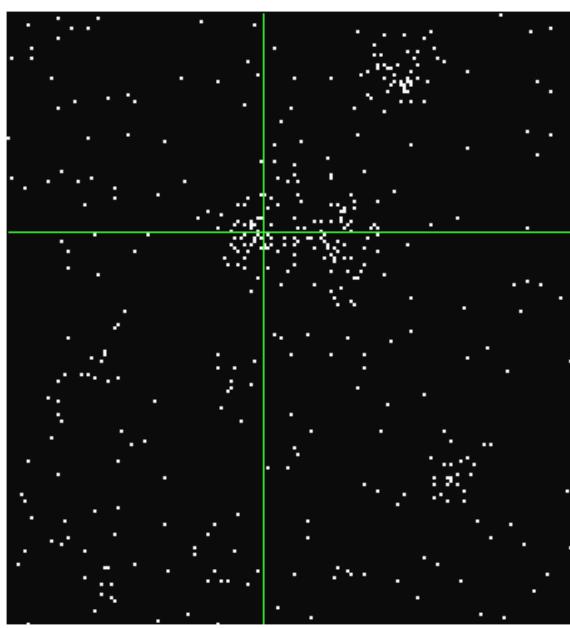
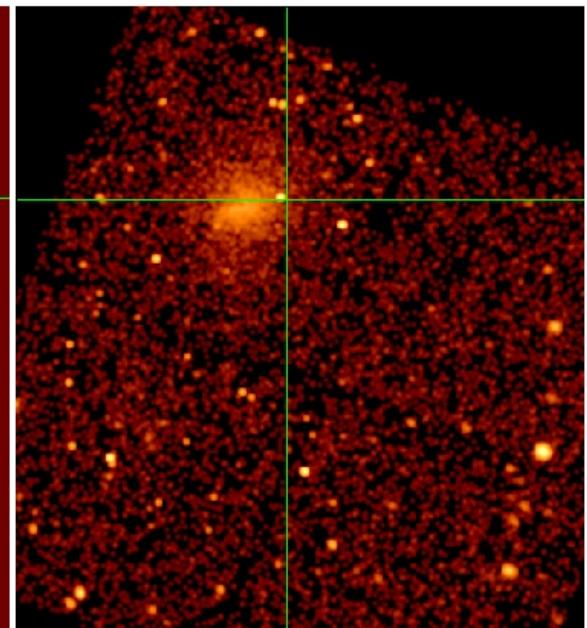
ROSAT data



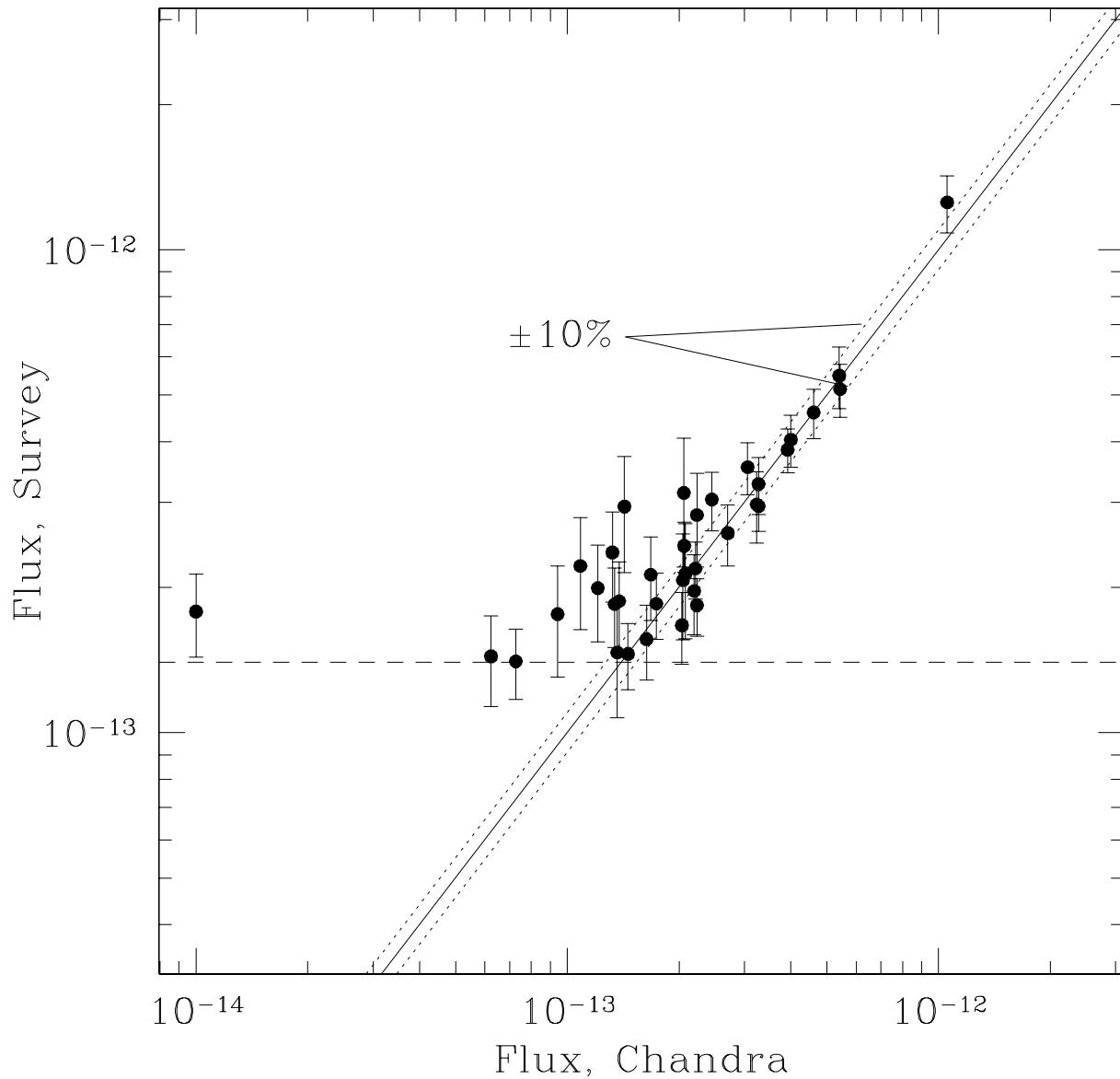
ROSAT model



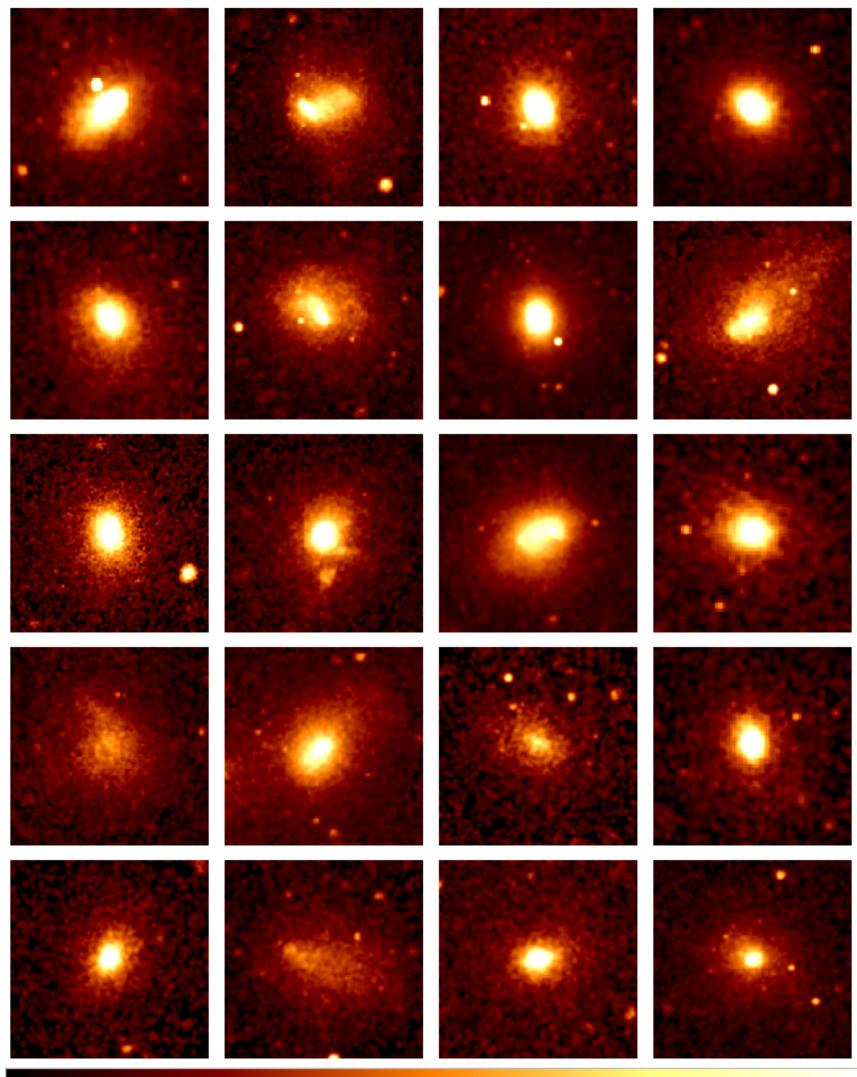
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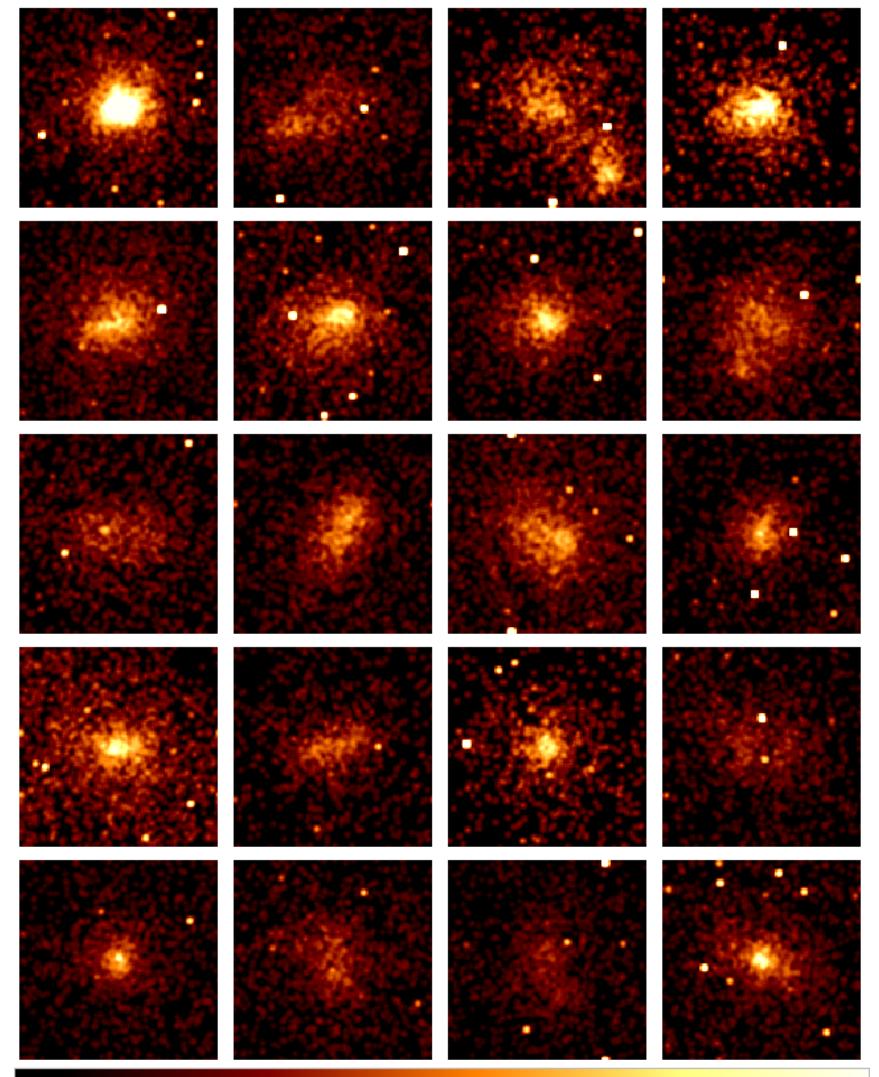
Comparison of ROSAT and Chandra fluxes



The Challenge



$z < 0.1$



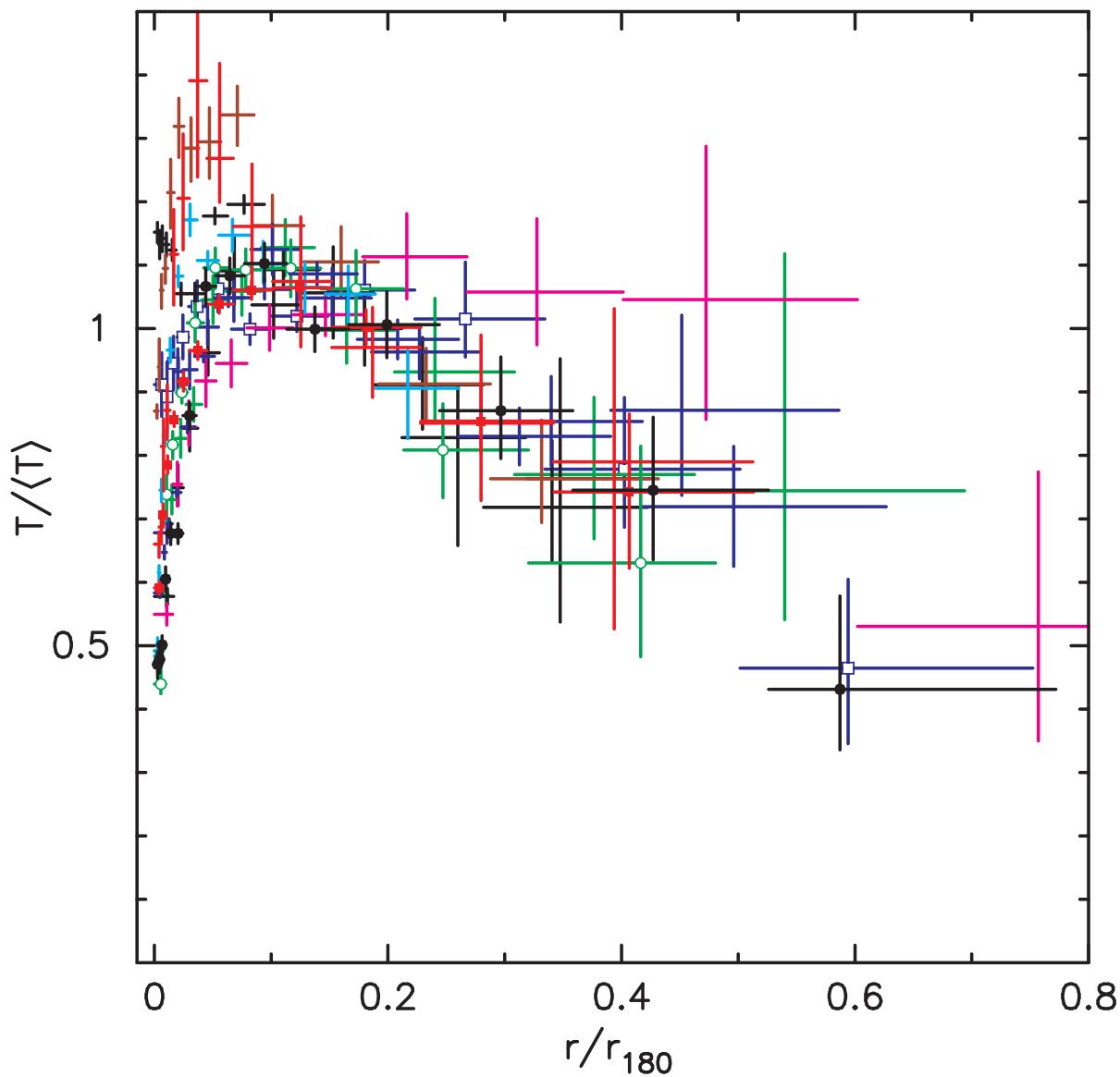
$z > 0.45$

For structure-cosmology connection, see Richstone, Loeb, Turner 1992; Jeltema et al. 2005

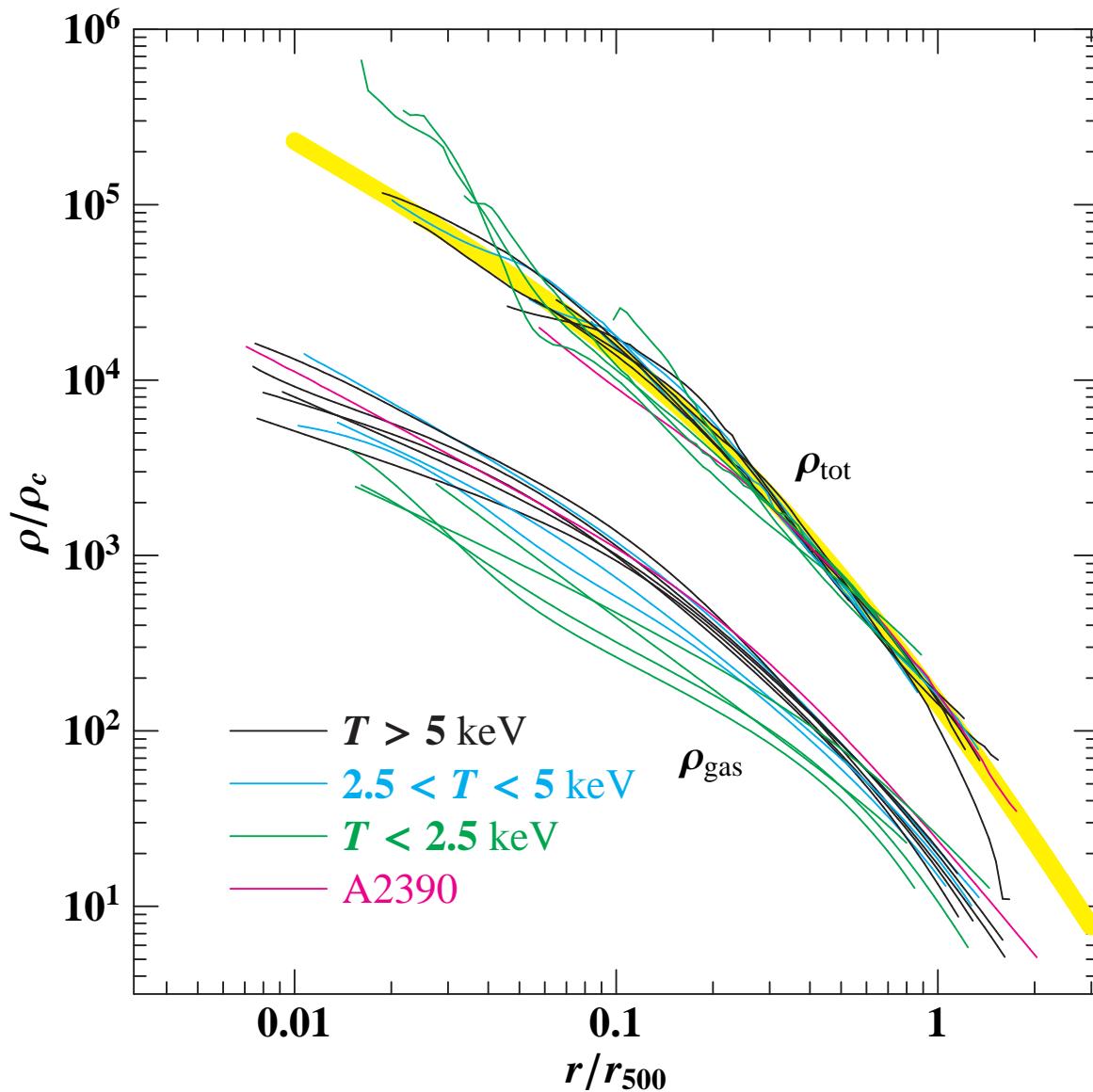
The approach

- Develop structure-insensitive mass proxies
- Calibrate using realistic numerical simulations and *Chandra* observations of low- z clusters
- Use these proxies for high- z clusters

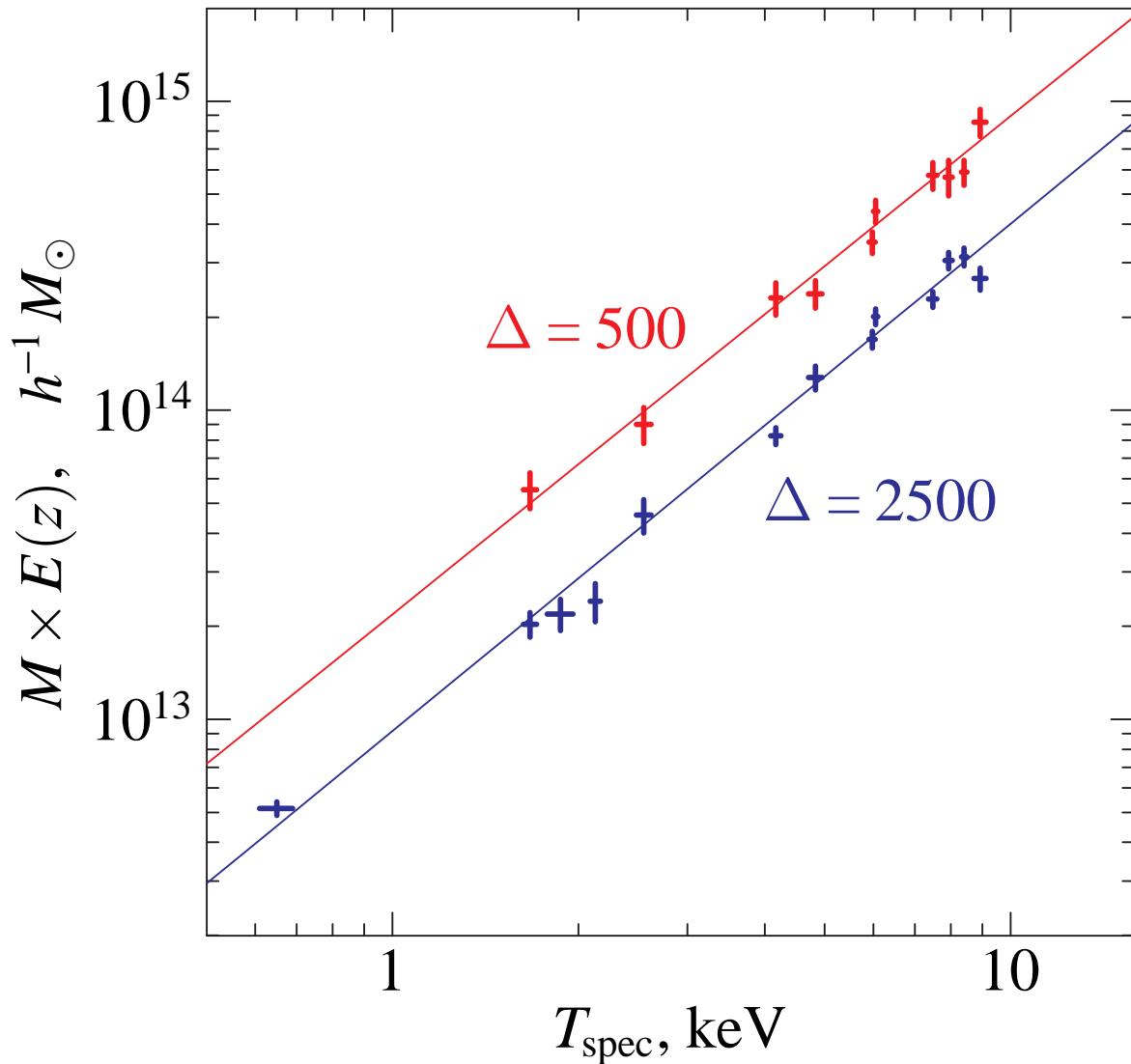
Temperature profiles from *Chandra*



Total and gas density profiles



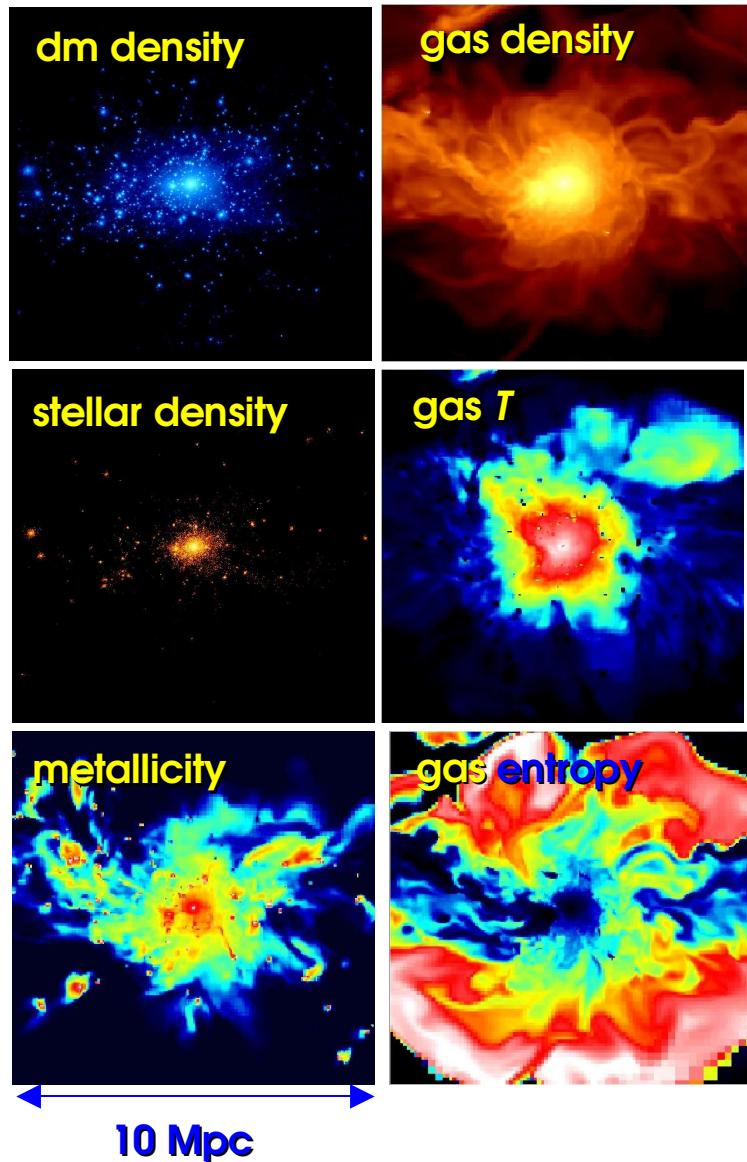
Observed M-T relation



- Relations are nearly self-similar ($M \propto T^{\alpha}$, $\alpha = 1.6 \pm 0.1$)
- Evolution is also self-similar, $M/T^{3/2} \propto h^{-1}(z)$ (Kotov & Vikhlinin '05)

Simulated cluster sample

Kravtsov et al.



11 individual galaxy clusters simulated with and without cooling

virial masses from 8×10^{13} to $10^{15} h^{-1}$ Msun

Cosmological N-body+gasdynamics ART code

(Kravtsov 1999, 2003; Kravtsov et al. 2002)

$m_{dm} = 3 \times 10^8 h^{-1}$ Msun, $m_* \sim 10^6 h^{-1}$ Msun

peak resolution $\sim 2 h^{-1}$ kpc

2-4 $\times 10^7$ mesh cells per cluster

Gasdynamics: Eulerian AMR (2nd order Godunov)

N-body dynamics of DM and stellar particles

Radiative cooling and heating of gas:

metallicity dependent taking into account atomic and molecular processes

Star formation using the Kennicutt (1998) recipe

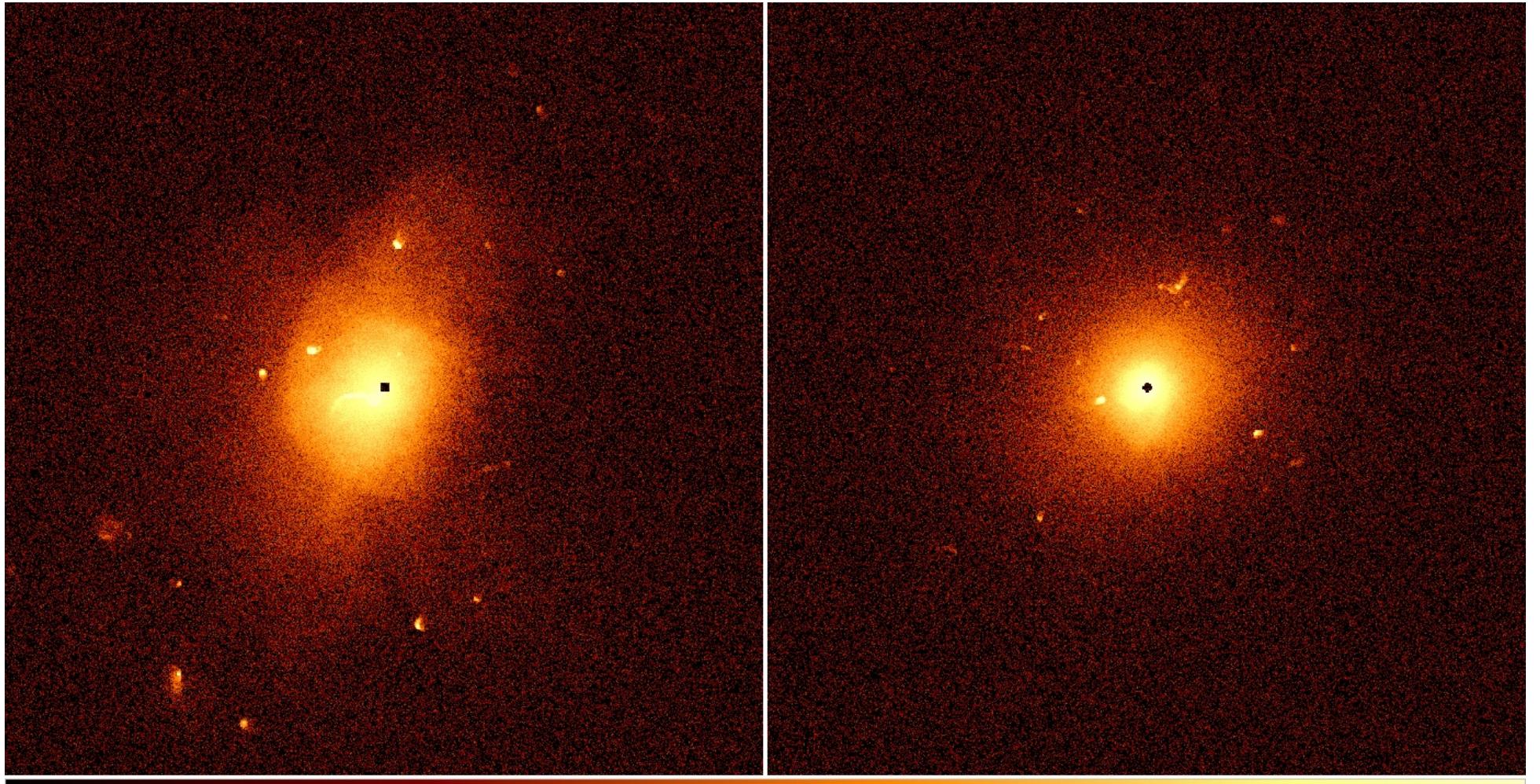
Thermal stellar feedback

Metal enrichment by SNIa + **Advection of metals**

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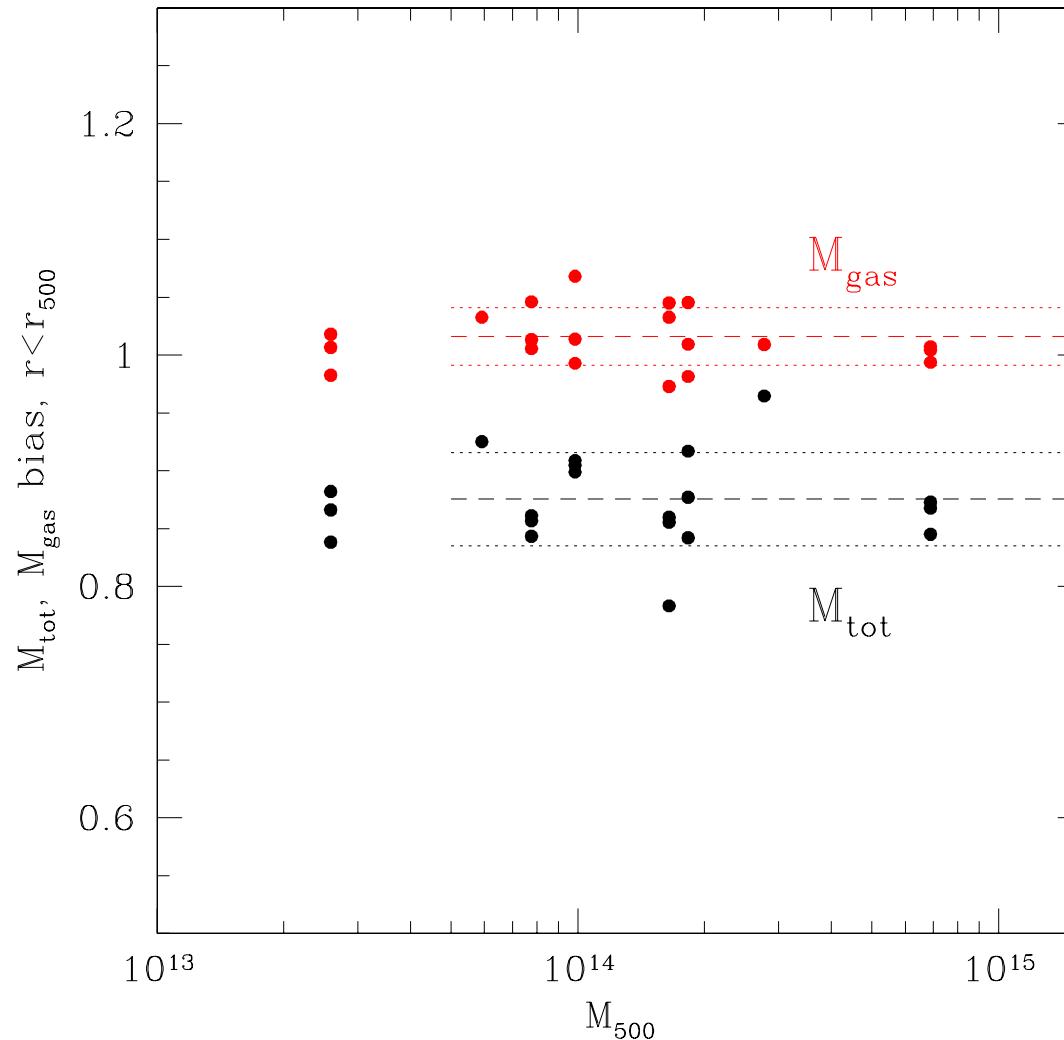
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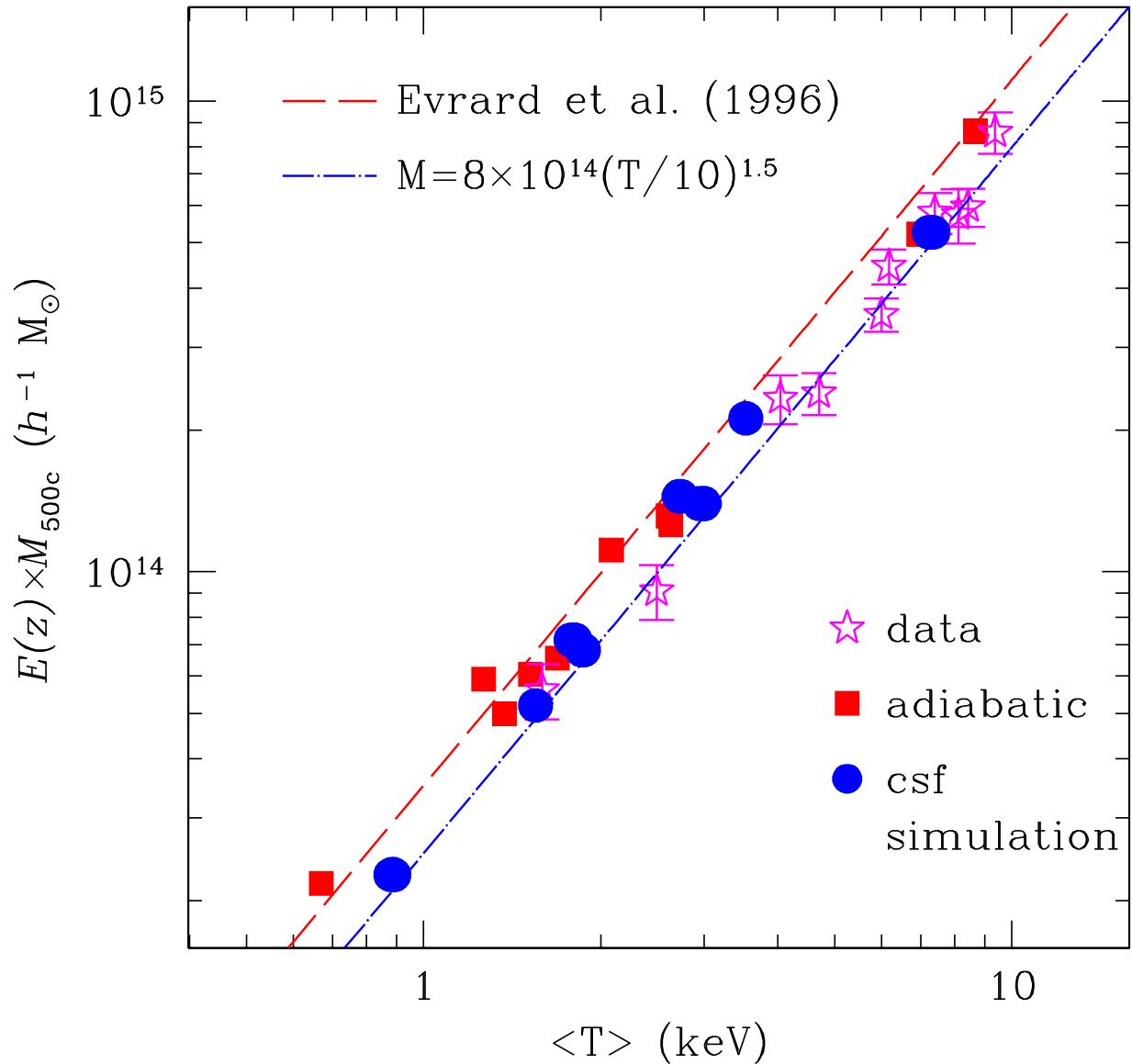
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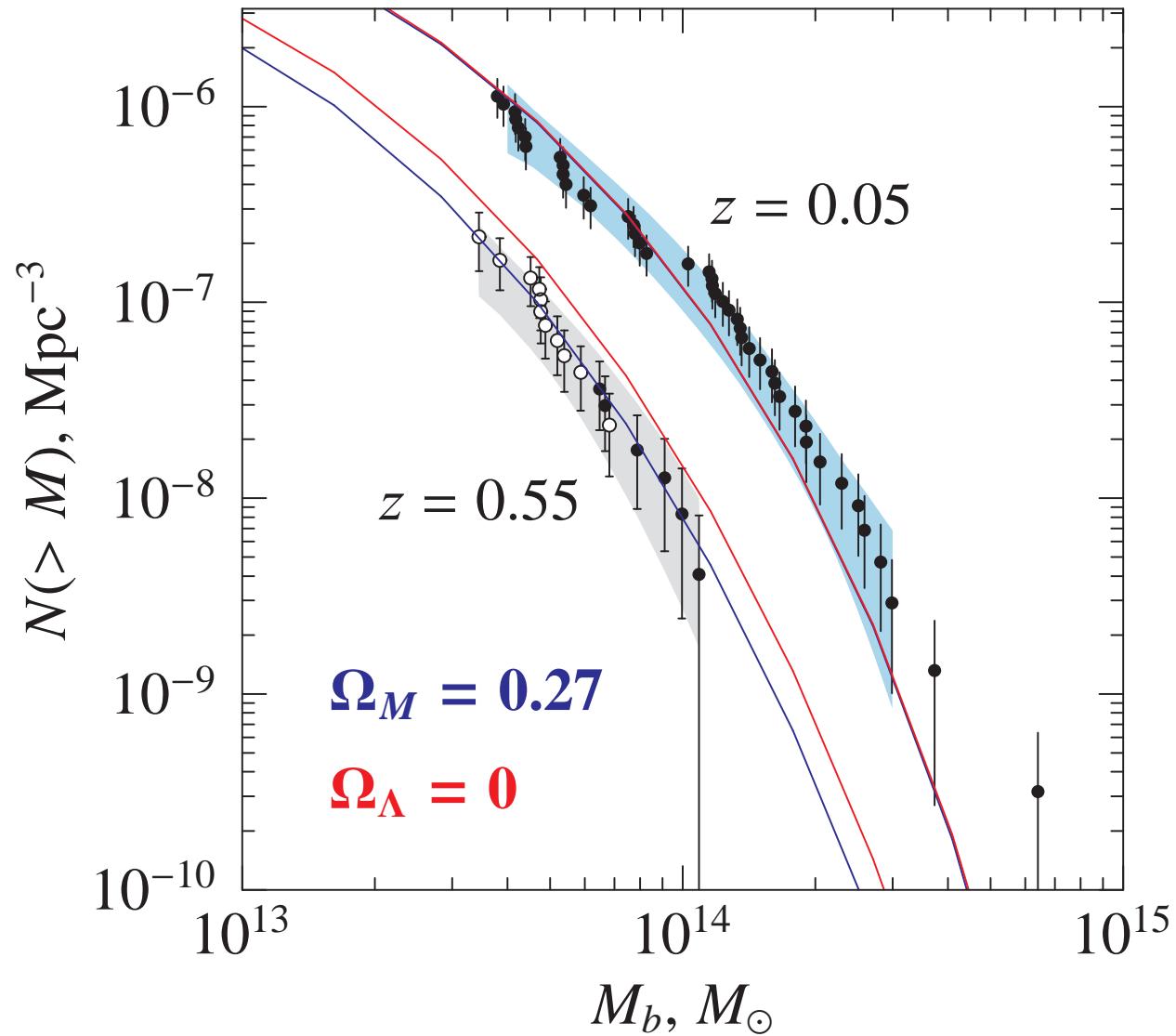
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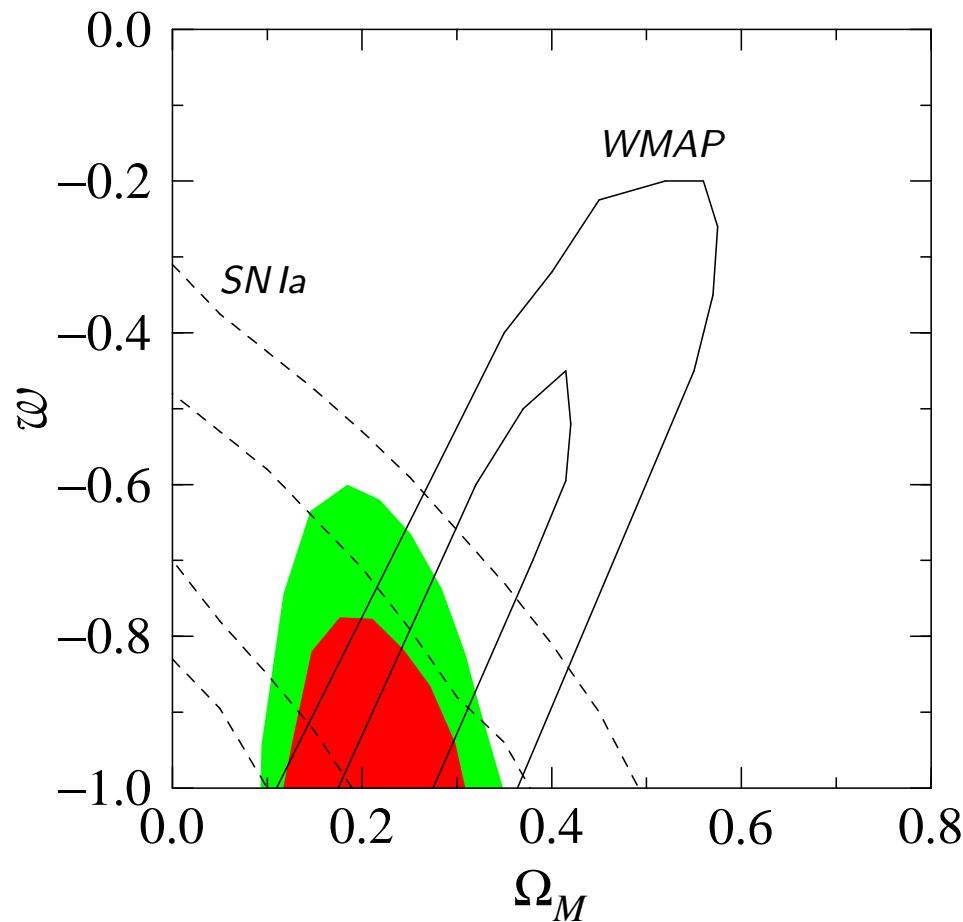
Are simulations realistic?



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For $\Omega_M = 0.3$, $w < -0.9$ (68%),
 < -0.7 (90%),
 < -0.6 (95%)