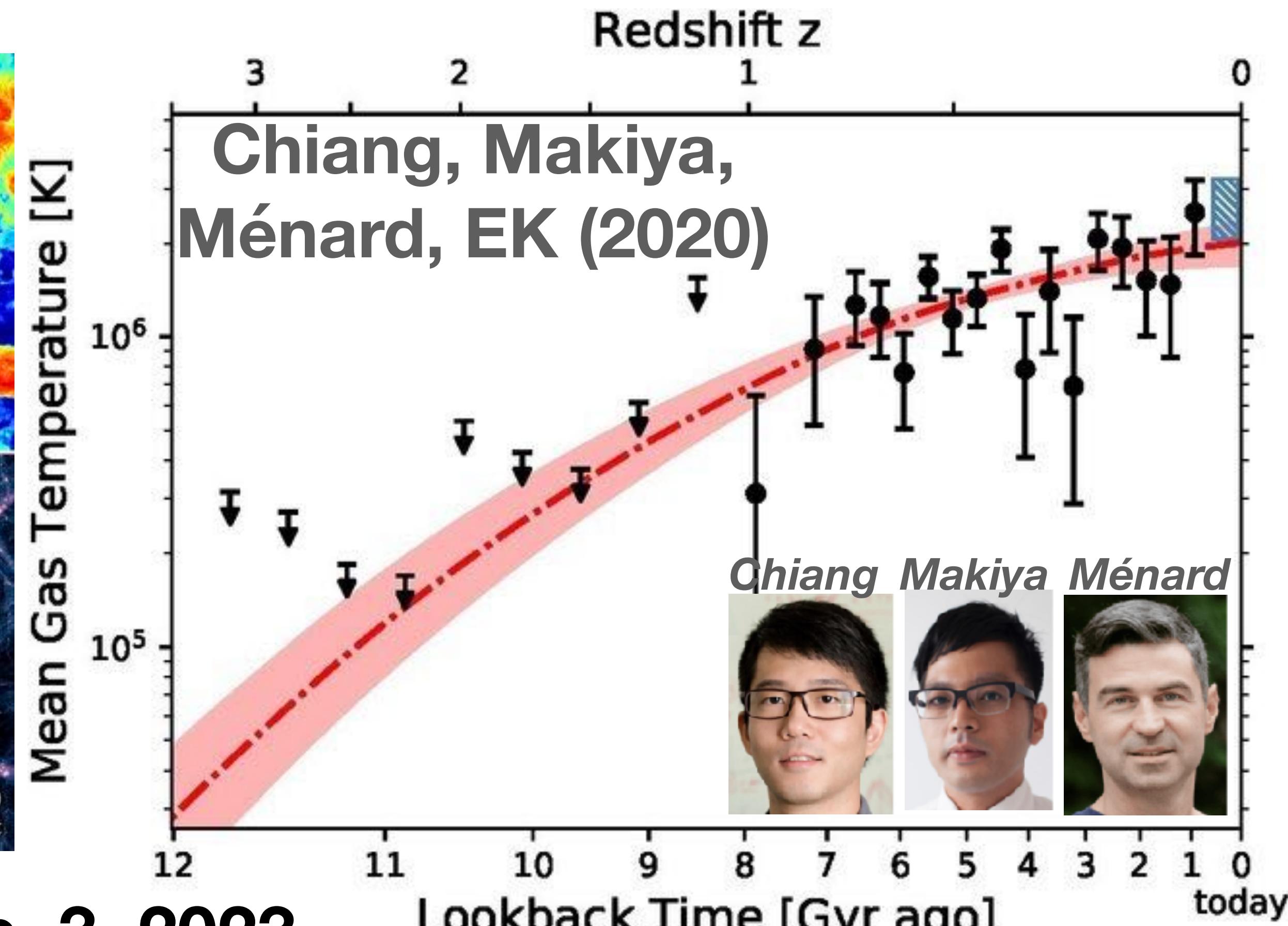
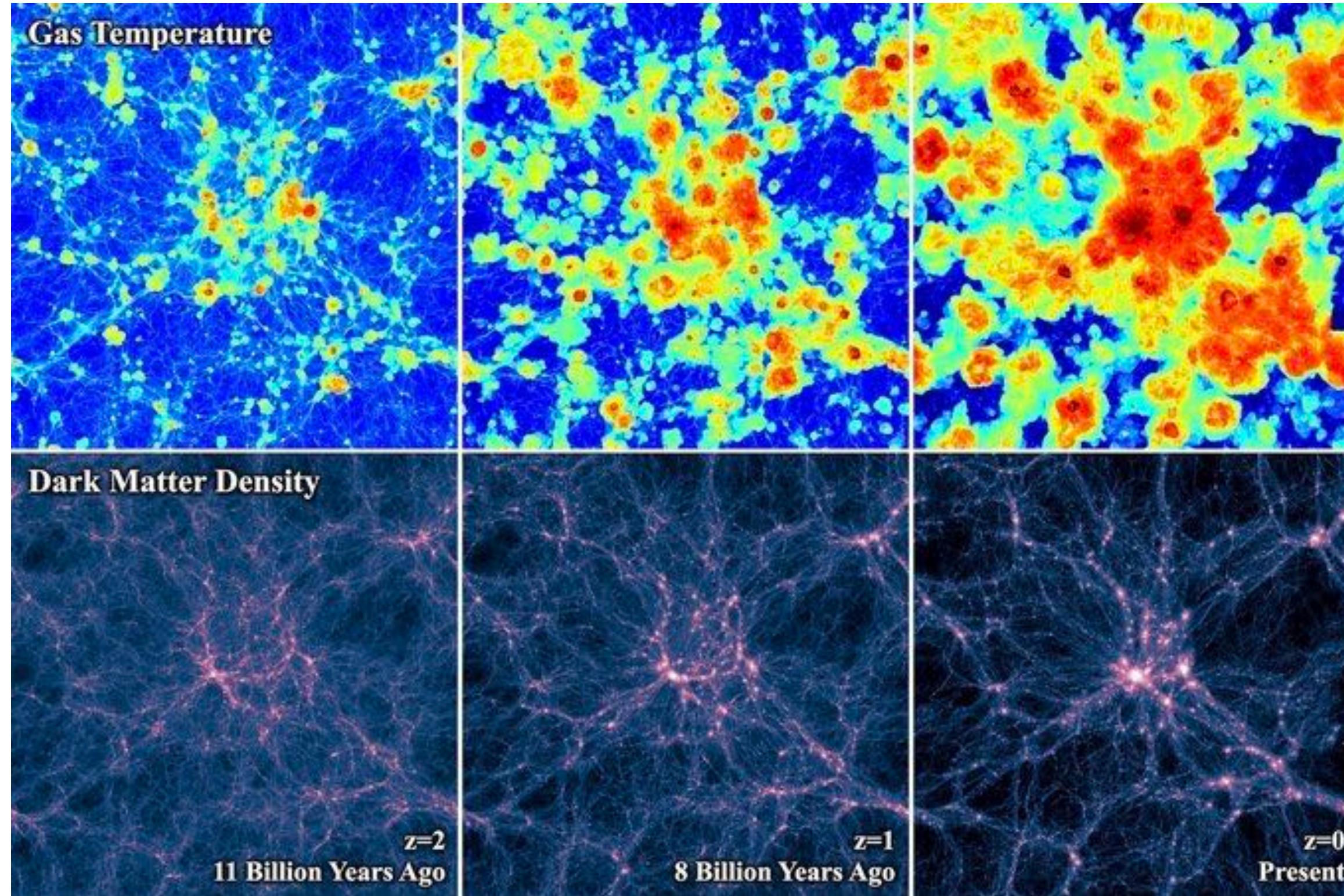


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The Temperature of Hot Gas in the Universe

Credit: Dylan Nelson,
Illustris Collaboration



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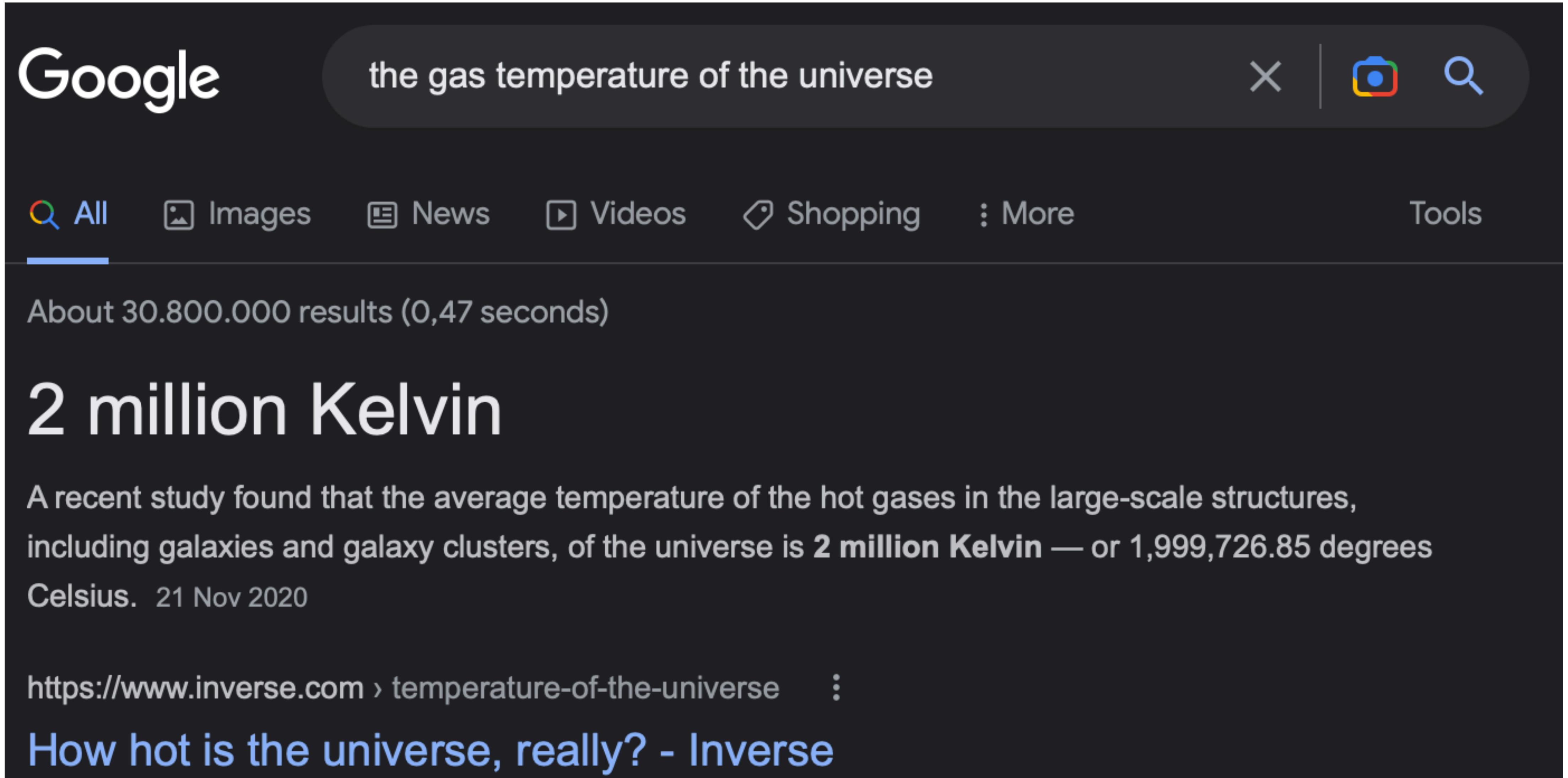
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Outline

Three questions to answer during this talk:

1. How hot is the large-scale structure of the Universe today? How was it before?
 - *Chiang, Makiya, Ménard, EK, ApJ, 902, 56 (2020)*
2. Where did the thermal energy come from?
 - *Chiang, Makiya, EK, Ménard, ApJ, 910, 32 (2021)*
3. What is our result good for?
 - Is it just beautiful physics, or is it also useful for something?
 - *Young, EK, Dolag, PRD, 104, 083538 (2021)*

The cosmic energy inventory

Fukugita & Peebles (2004)

- We know the mean total mass density of the Universe: $\Omega_m \sim 0.3$.
- We also know the mean baryonic mass density of the Universe: $\Omega_B \sim 0.05$.
- We also have estimates for many other energy densities in the Universe:

THE COSMIC ENERGY INVENTORY

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ABSTRACT

We present an inventory of the cosmic mean densities of energy associated with all the known states of matter and radiation at the present epoch. The observational and theoretical bases for the inventory have become rich enough to allow estimates with observational support for the densities of energy in some 40 forms. The result is a global portrait of the effects of the physical processes of cosmic evolution.

TABLE 1
THE COSMIC ENERGY INVENTORY

Category	Parameter	Components ^a	Totals ^a
1.....	Dark sector:		0.954 ± 0.003
1.1.....	Dark energy	0.72 ± 0.03	
1.2.....	Dark matter	0.23 ± 0.03	
1.3.....	Primeval gravitational waves	$\lesssim 10^{-10}$	
2.....	Primeval thermal remnants:		0.0010 ± 0.0005
2.1.....	Electromagnetic radiation	$10^{-4.3} \pm 0.0$	
2.2.....	Neutrinos	$10^{-2.9} \pm 0.1$	
2.3.....	Prestellar nuclear binding energy	$-10^{-4.1} \pm 0.0$	
3.....	Baryon rest mass:		0.045 ± 0.003
3.1.....	Warm intergalactic plasma	0.040 ± 0.003	
3.1a.....	Virialized regions of galaxies	0.024 ± 0.005	
3.1b.....	Intergalactic	0.016 ± 0.005	
3.2.....	Intracluster plasma	0.0018 ± 0.0007	
3.3.....	Main-sequence stars: spheroids and bulges	0.0015 ± 0.0004	
3.4.....	Main-sequence stars: disks and irregulars	0.00055 ± 0.00014	
3.5.....	White dwarfs	0.00036 ± 0.00008	
3.6.....	Neutron stars	0.00005 ± 0.00002	
3.7.....	Black holes	0.00007 ± 0.00002	
3.8.....	Substellar objects	0.00014 ± 0.00007	
3.9.....	H I + He I	0.00062 ± 0.00010	
3.10.....	Molecular gas	0.00016 ± 0.00006	
3.11.....	Planets	10^{-6}	
3.12.....	Condensed matter	$10^{-5.6} \pm 0.3$	
3.13.....	Sequestered in massive black holes	$10^{-5.4}(1 + \epsilon_n)$	
4.....	Primeval gravitational binding energy:		$-10^{-6.1} \pm 0.1$
4.1.....	Virialized halos of galaxies	$-10^{-7.2}$	
4.2.....	Clusters	$-10^{-6.9}$	
4.3.....	Large-scale structure	$-10^{-6.2}$	
5.....	Binding energy from dissipative gravitational settling:		$-10^{-4.9}$
5.1.....	Baryon-dominated parts of galaxies	$-10^{-8.8} \pm 0.3$	
5.2.....	Main-sequence stars and substellar objects	$-10^{-8.1}$	

Fukugita & Peebles (2004)

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5.3.....	White dwarfs	$-10^{-7.4}$	
5.4.....	Neutron stars	$-10^{-5.2}$	
5.5.....	Stellar mass black holes	$-10^{-4.2}\epsilon_s$	
5.6.....	Galactic nuclei: early type	$-10^{-5.6}\epsilon_n$	
5.7.....	Galactic nuclei: late type	$-10^{-5.8}\epsilon_n$	
6.....	Poststellar nuclear binding energy:		$-10^{-5.2}$
6.1.....	Main-sequence stars and substellar objects	$-10^{-5.8}$	
6.2.....	Diffuse material in galaxies	$-10^{-6.5}$	
6.3.....	White dwarfs	$-10^{-5.6}$	
6.4.....	Clusters	$-10^{-6.5}$	
6.5.....	Intergalactic	$-10^{-6.2 \pm 0.5}$	
7.....	Poststellar radiation:		$10^{-5.7 \pm 0.1}$
7.1.....	Resolved radio-microwave	$10^{-10.3 \pm 0.3}$	
7.2.....	FIR	$10^{-6.1}$	
7.3.....	Optical	$10^{-5.8 \pm 0.2}$	
7.4.....	X-ray- γ -ray	$10^{-7.9 \pm 0.2}$	
7.5.....	Gravitational radiation: stellar mass binaries	$10^{-9 \pm 1}$	
7.6.....	Gravitational radiation: massive black holes	$10^{-7.5 \pm 0.5}$	
8.....	Stellar neutrinos:		$10^{-5.5}$
8.1.....	Nuclear burning	$10^{-6.8}$	
8.2.....	White dwarf formation	$10^{-7.7}$	
8.3.....	Core collapse	$10^{-5.5}$	
9.....	Cosmic rays and magnetic fields		$10^{-8.3^{+0.6}_{-0.3}}$
10.....	Kinetic energy in the IGM		$10^{-8.0 \pm 0.3}$

- But we did not know the mean thermal energy density of the Universe, Ω_{th}
 - Let's measure this!

Our definition of the thermal energy density $nk_B T$ rather than $(3/2)nk_B T$

- We define the thermal energy from $\mathbf{k_B T}$, rather than the kinetic energy, $(3/2)\mathbf{k_B T}$.
 - If you do not like this definition, keep this factor of 3/2 in your mind.
- Then the mean (comoving) thermal energy density is equal to the mean thermal pressure in the comoving volume:

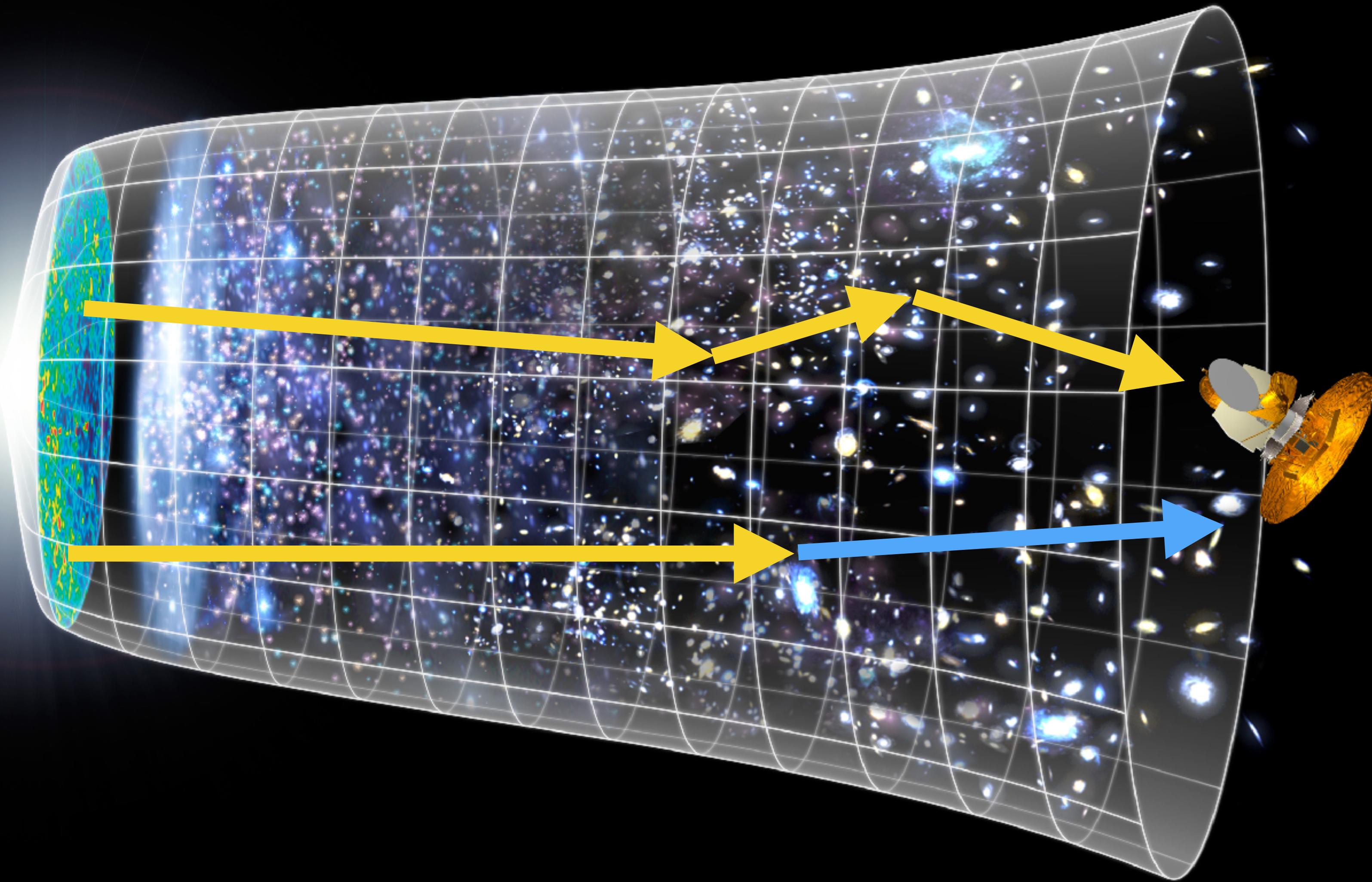
$$\Omega_{\text{th}}(z) \equiv \frac{\rho_{\text{th}}(z)}{\rho_{\text{crit}}} = \frac{\langle P_{\text{th}}(z) \rangle}{\rho_{\text{crit}} (1+z)^3},$$

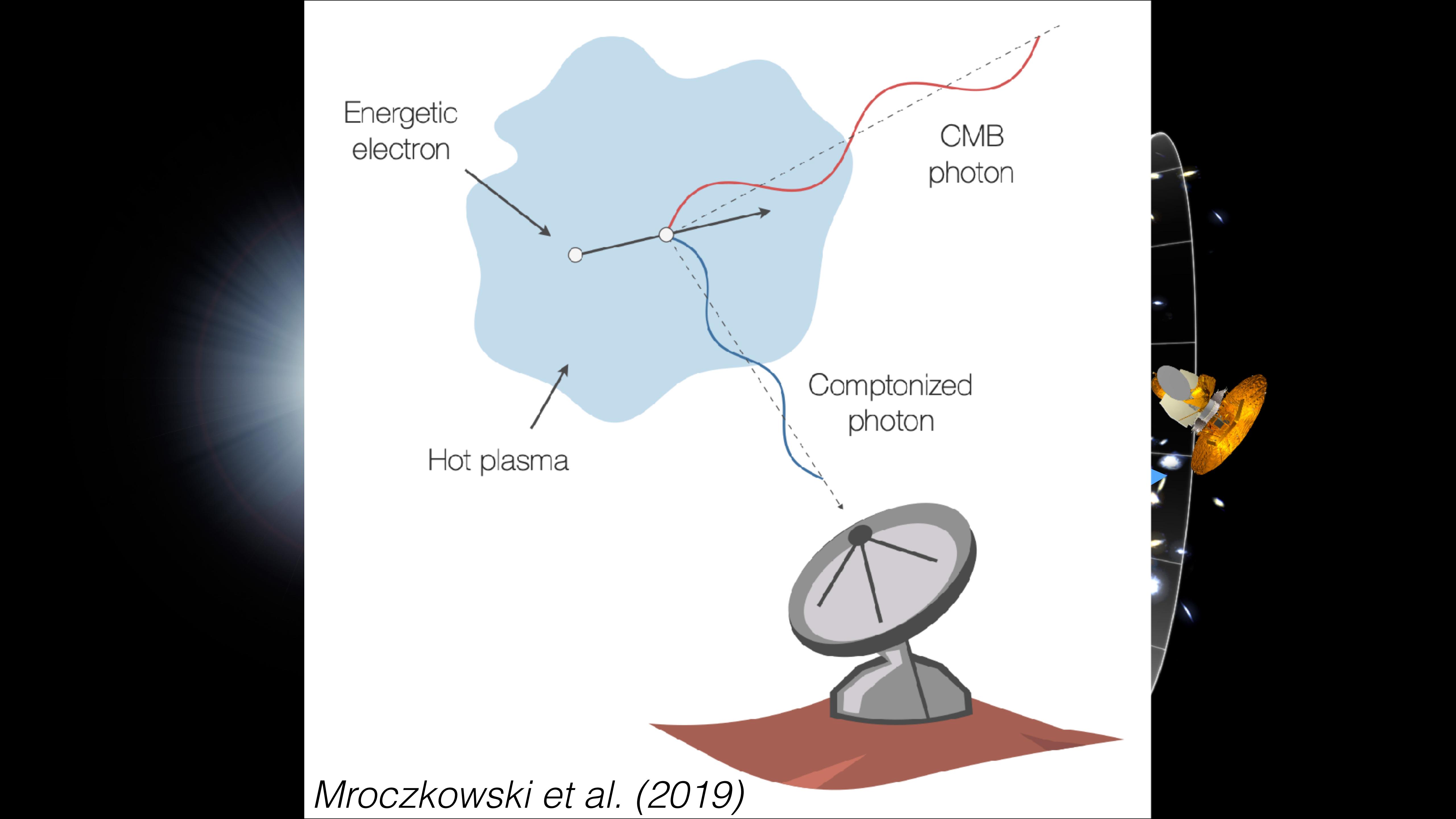
where $\rho_{\text{crit}} = 1.054 \times 10^4 h^2 \text{ eV cm}^{-3}$ is the present-day critical energy density.

Order-of-magnitude estimate

There is more than one way to do this. Here is one example.

- $P_{\text{th}} = \rho_{\text{gas}}\sigma^2$, where σ^2 is some typical 1D velocity dispersion in the large-scale structure.
- $\Omega_{\text{th}} = \Omega_{\text{gas}}\sigma^2 \sim 2 \times 10^{-8} (\Omega_{\text{gas}}/0.05)(\sigma/200 \text{ km/s})^2$
- *Spoiler: our measurement gives $\Omega_{\text{th}} = (1.7 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-8}$ at $z=0$. Not bad, but this isn't actually the right way to do it in detail.*
- OK, let's go. We use the thermal Sunyaev-Zeldovich effect to do this measurement.



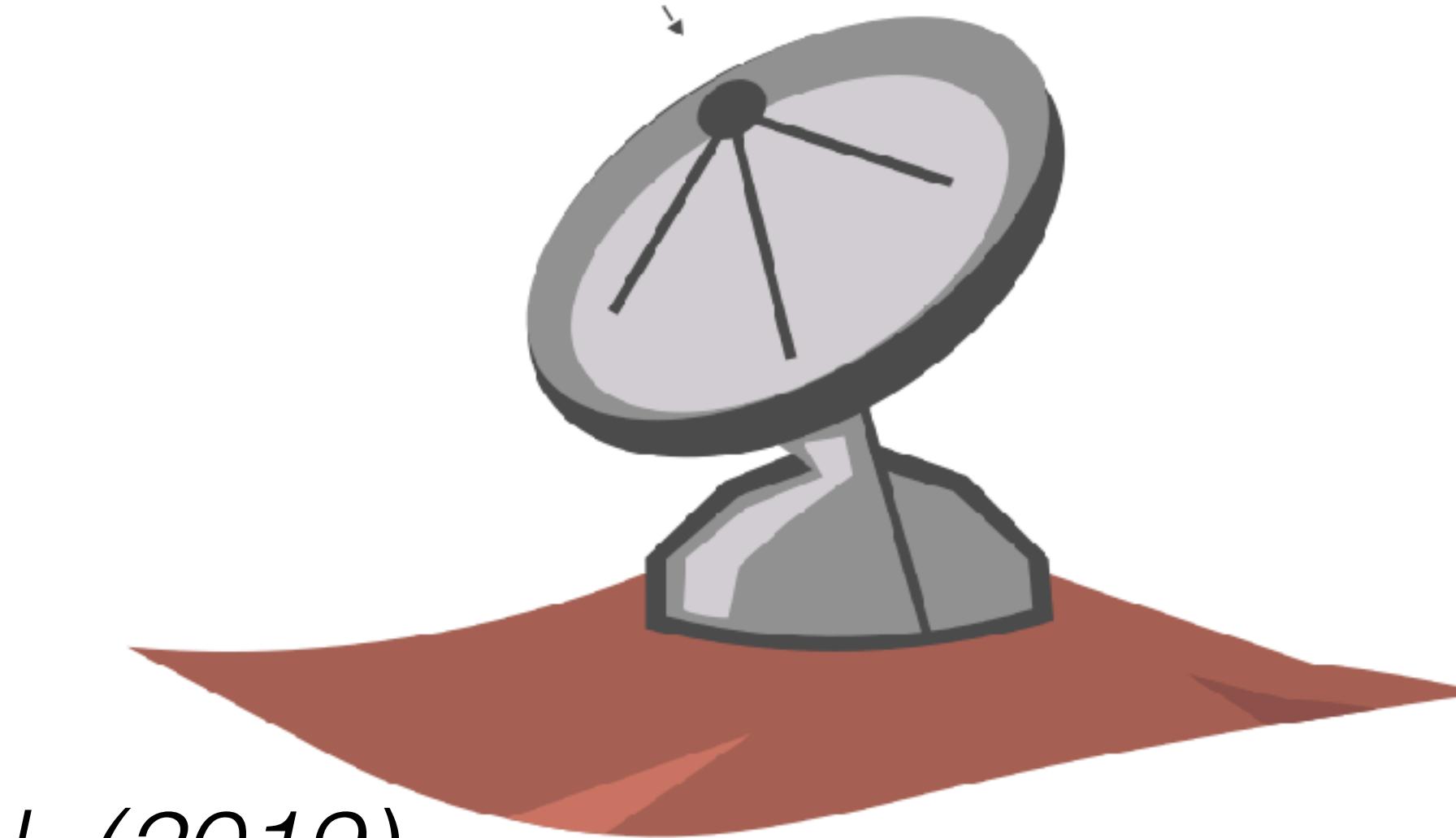


Energetic electron

Hot plasma

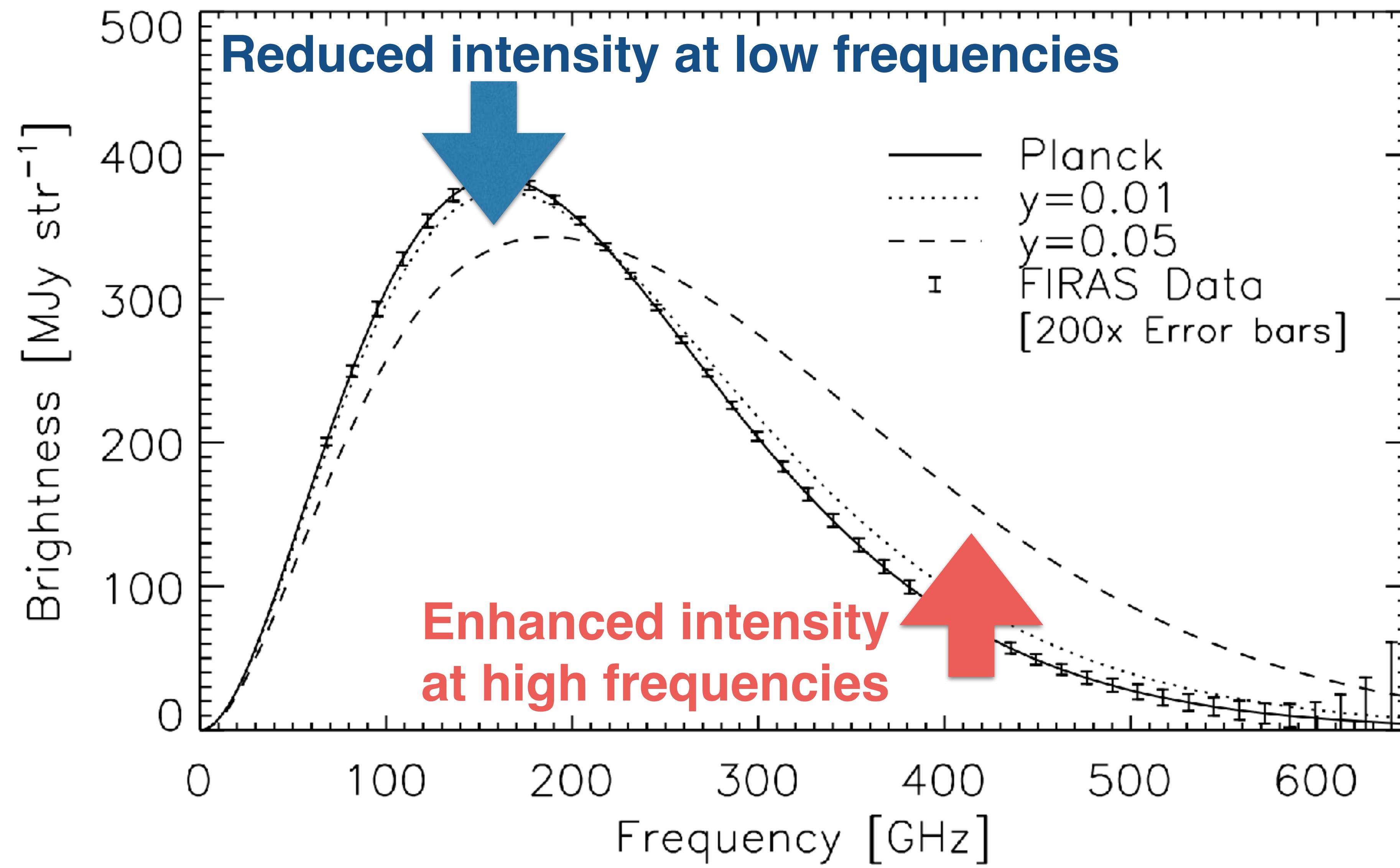
CMB photon

Comptonized photon



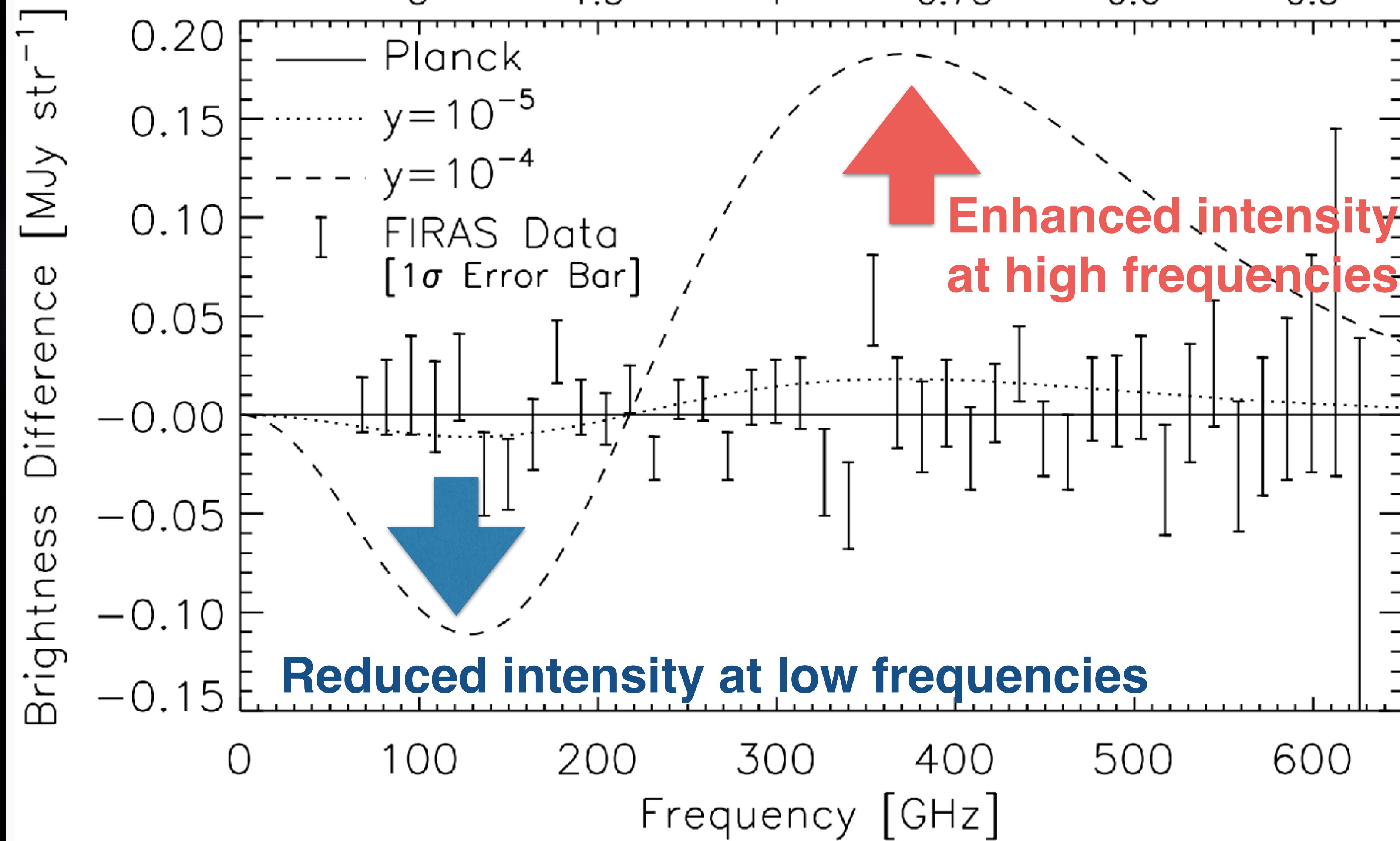
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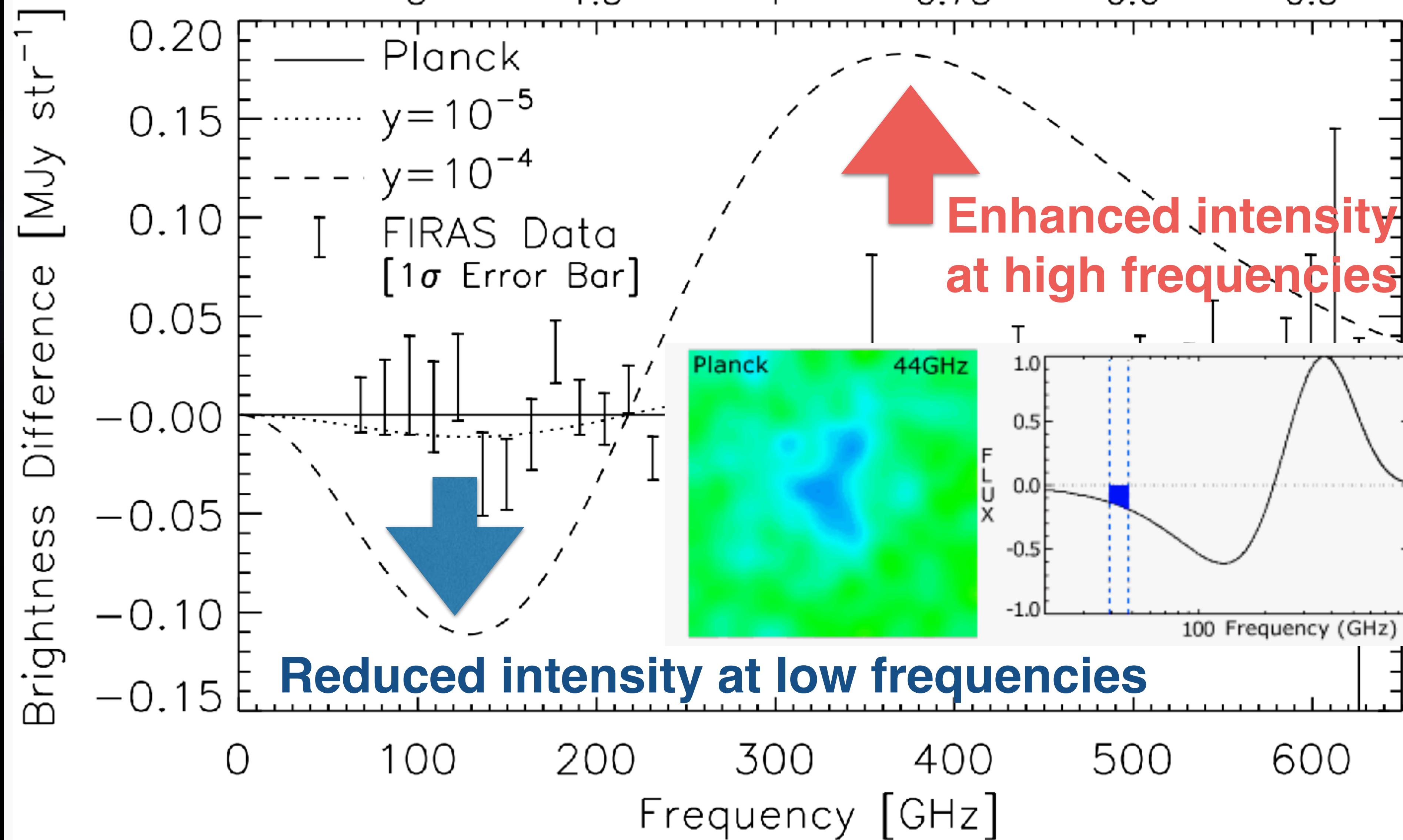
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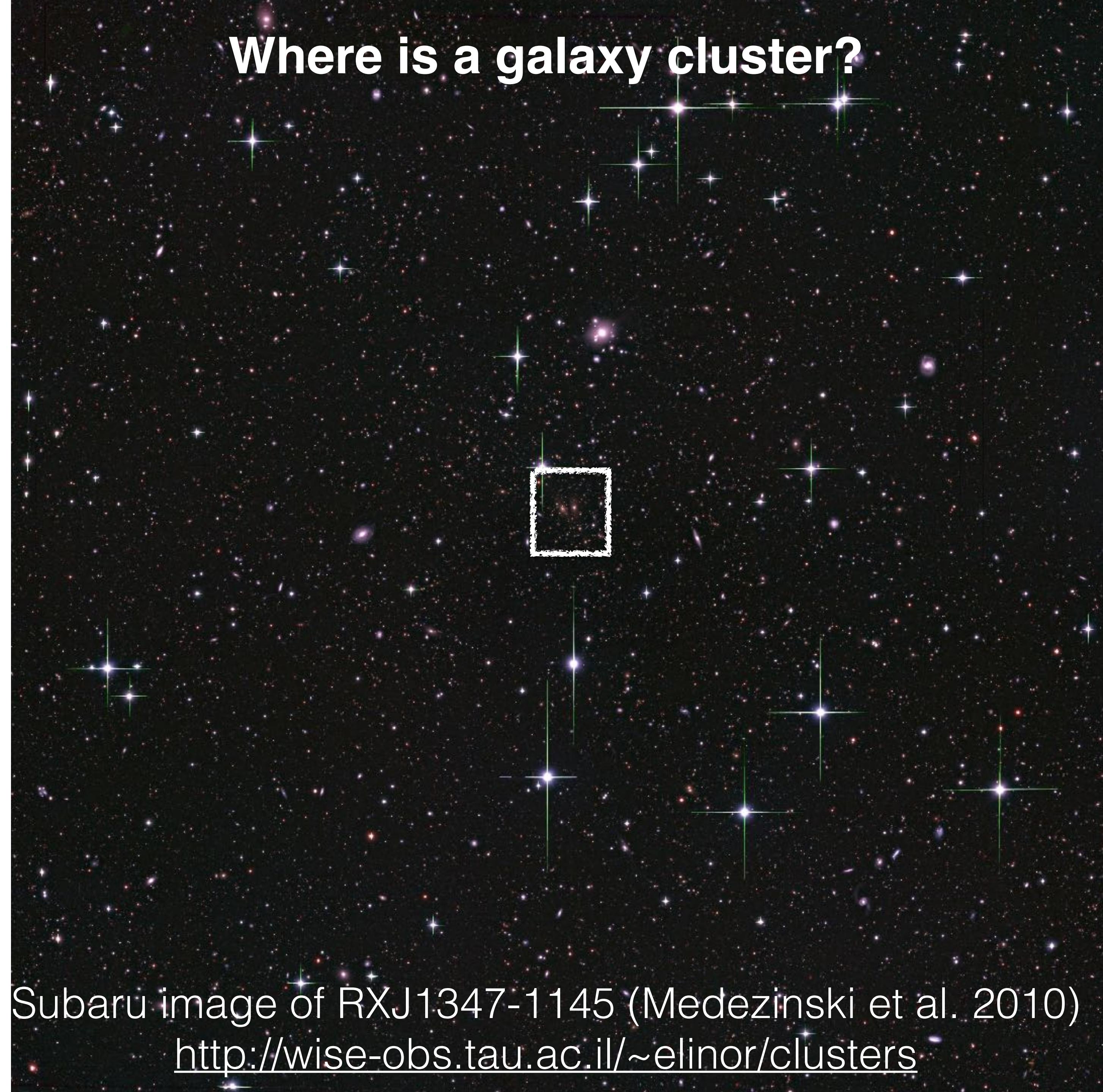


Where is a galaxy cluster?



Subaru image of RXJ1347-1145 (Medezinski et al. 2010)
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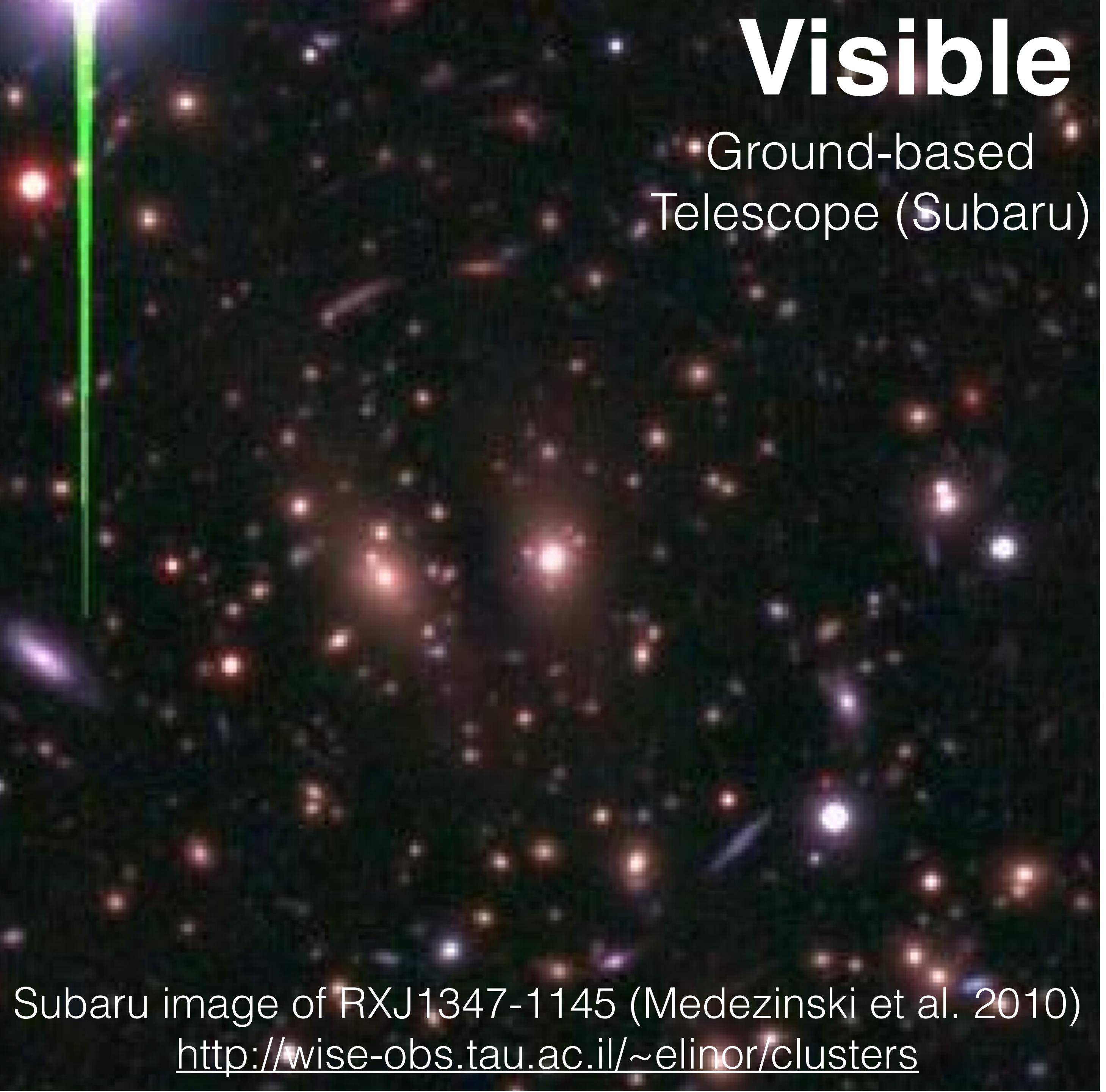
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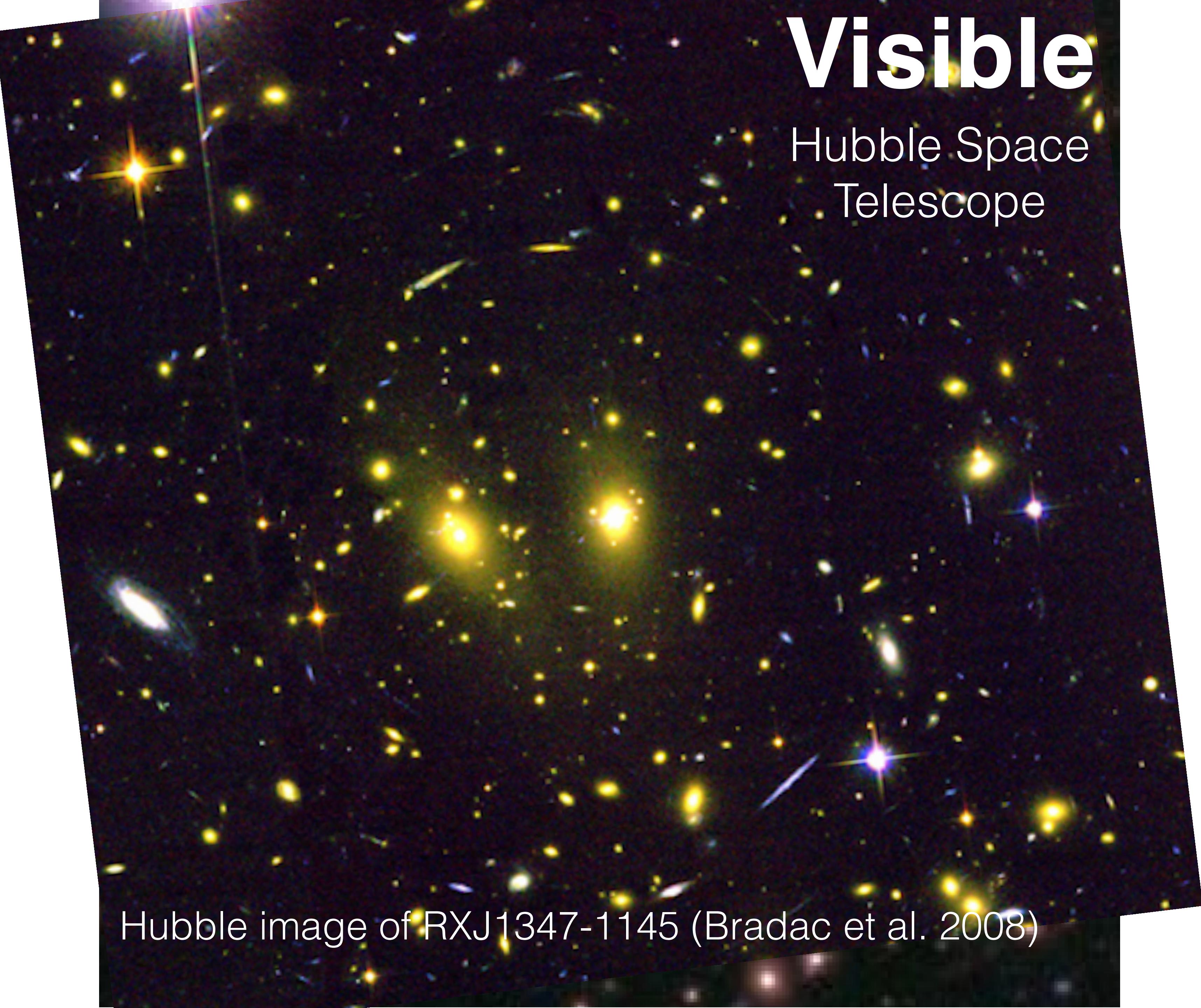
Ground-based
Telescope (Subaru)



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Visible

Hubble Space
Telescope



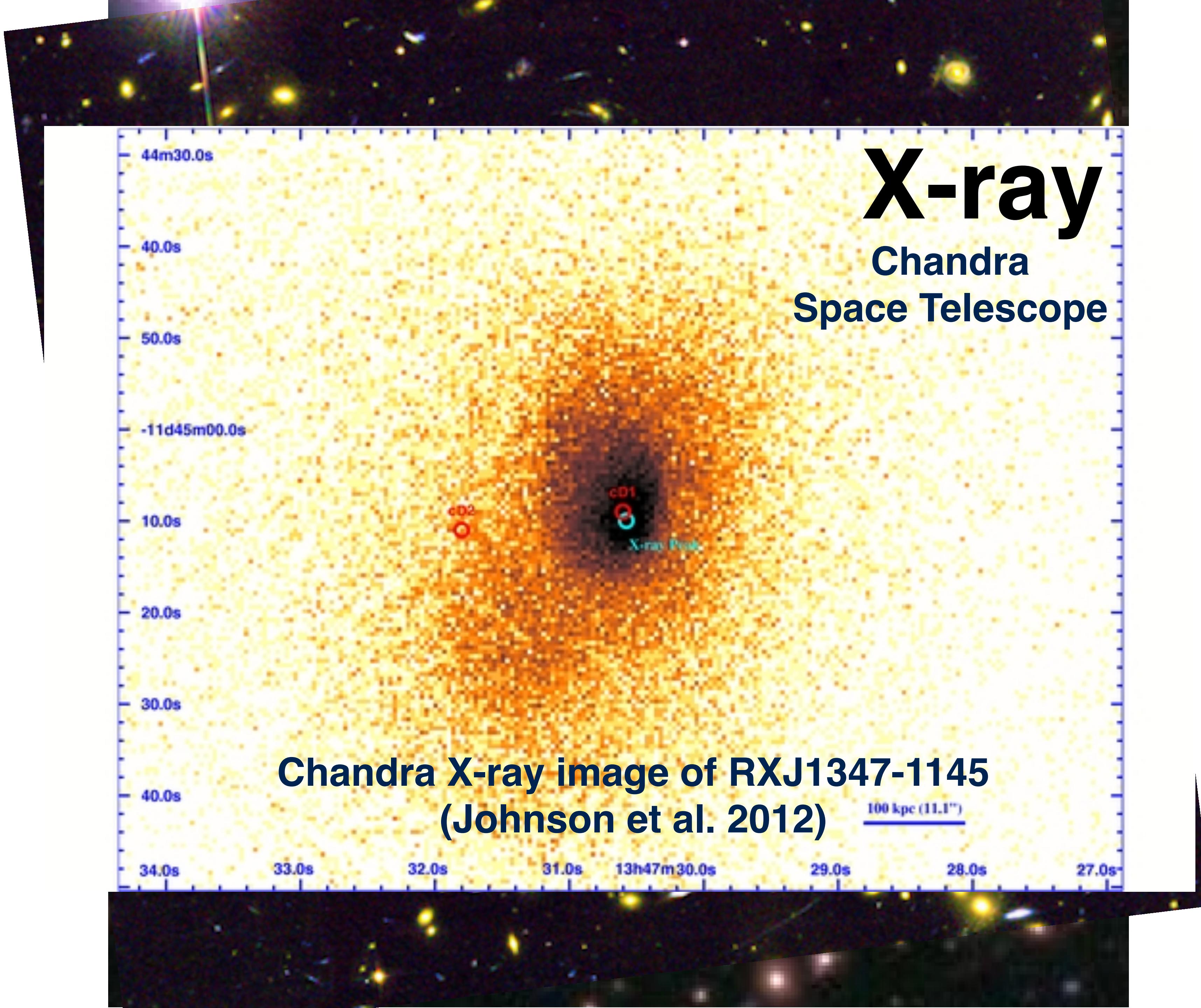
Hubble image of RXJ1347-1145 (Bradac et al. 2008)

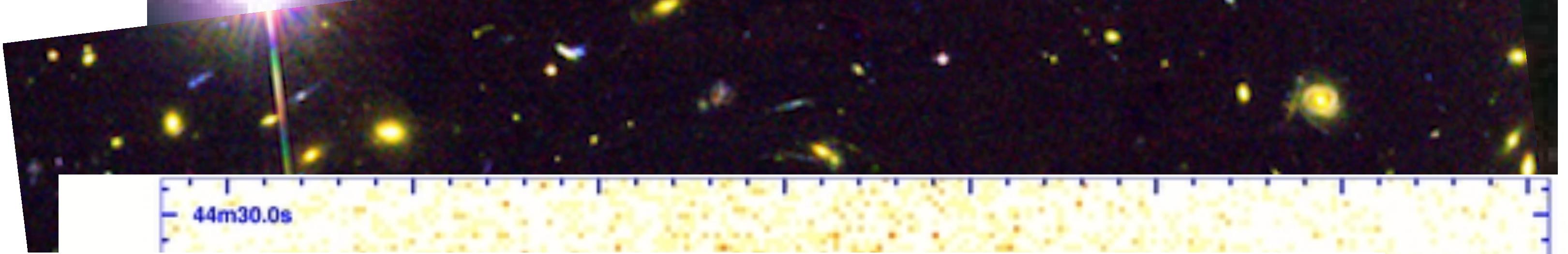
X-ray

Chandra
Space Telescope

Chandra X-ray image of RXJ1347-1145
(Johnson et al. 2012)

100 kpc (11.1'')

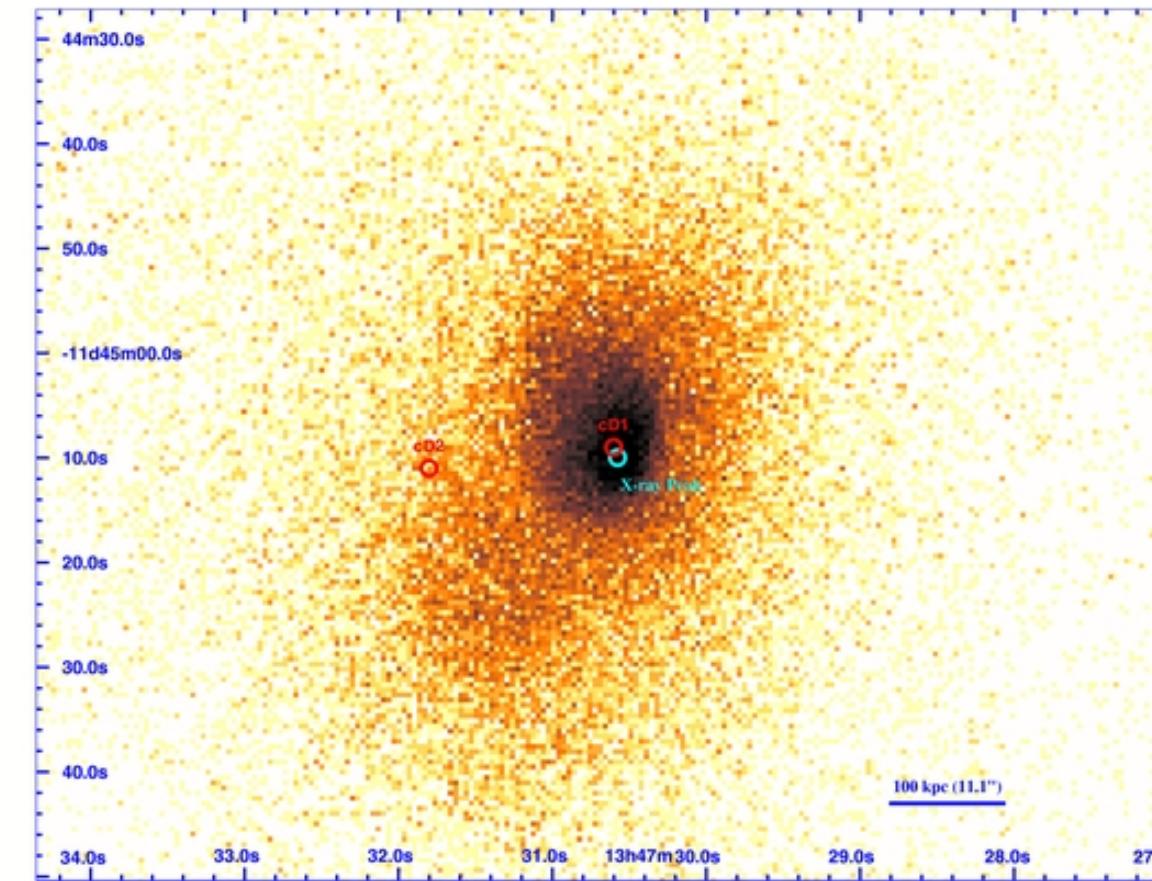




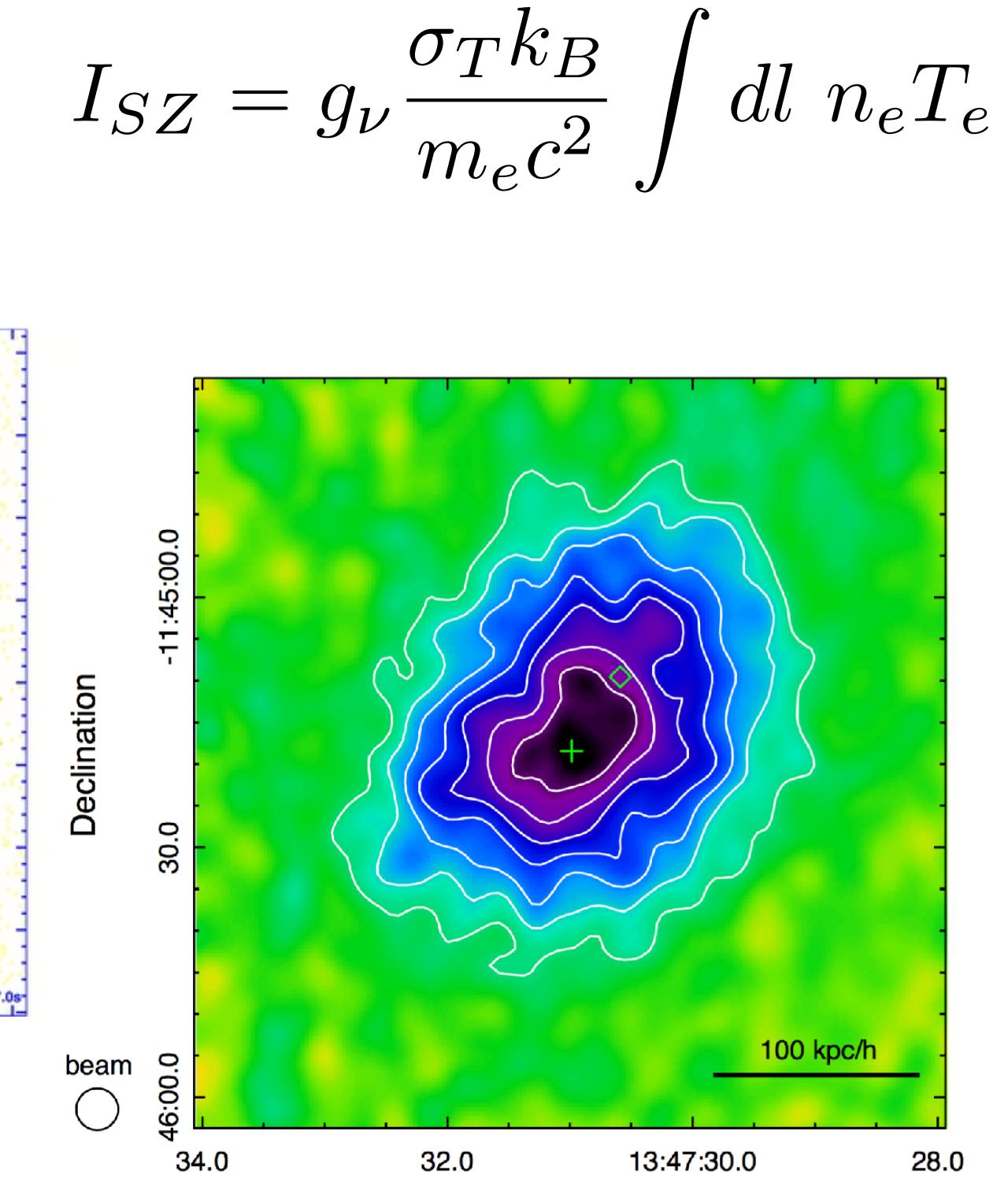
Multi-wavelength Data



- Optical:
- 10^{2-3} galaxies
- velocity dispersion
- gravitational lensing



- X-ray:
- hot gas (10^{7-8} K)
- spectroscopic T_X
- Intensity $\sim n_e^2 L$

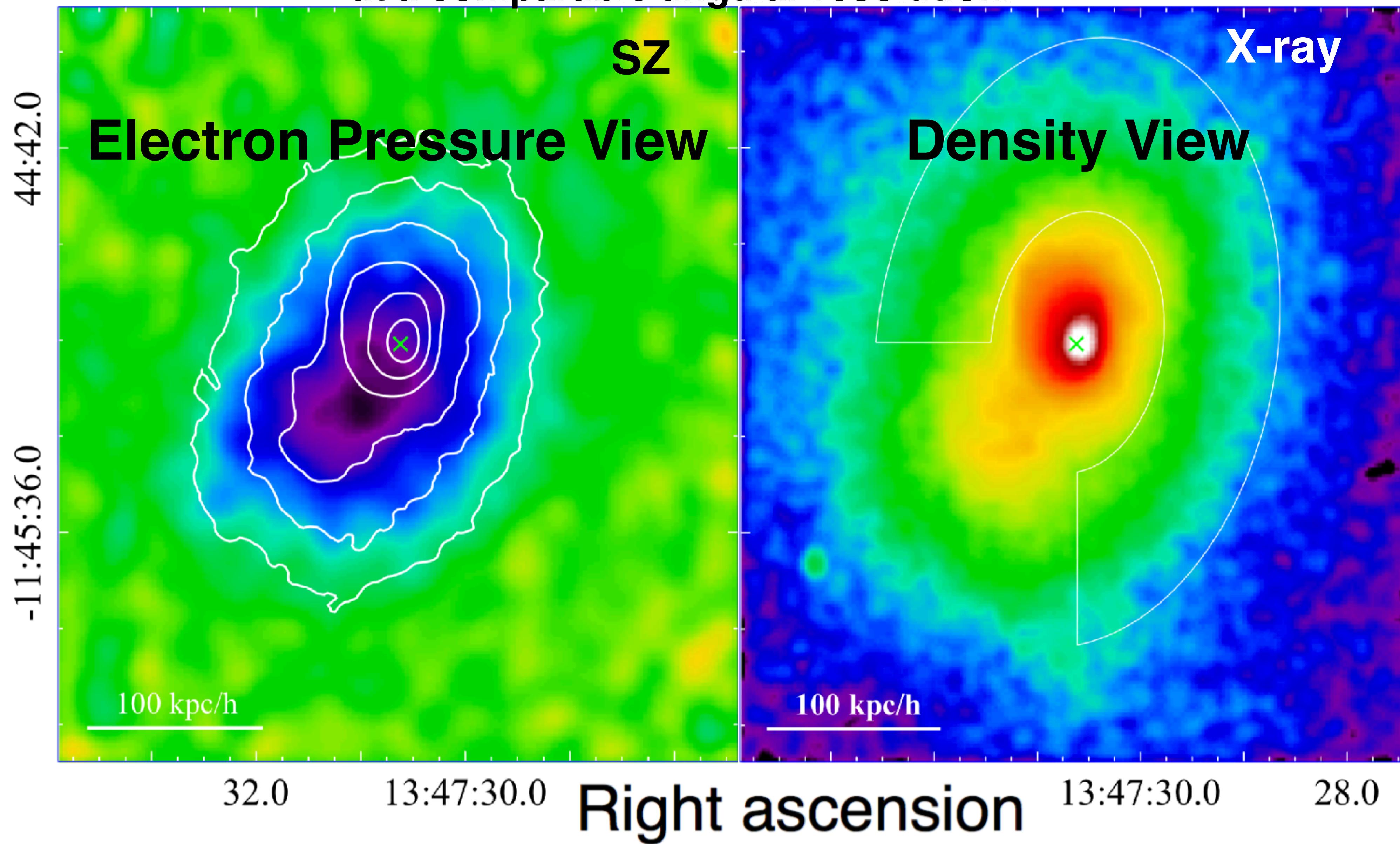


- SZ [microwave]:
- hot gas (10^{7-8} K)
- electron pressure
- Intensity $\sim n_e T_{eL}$

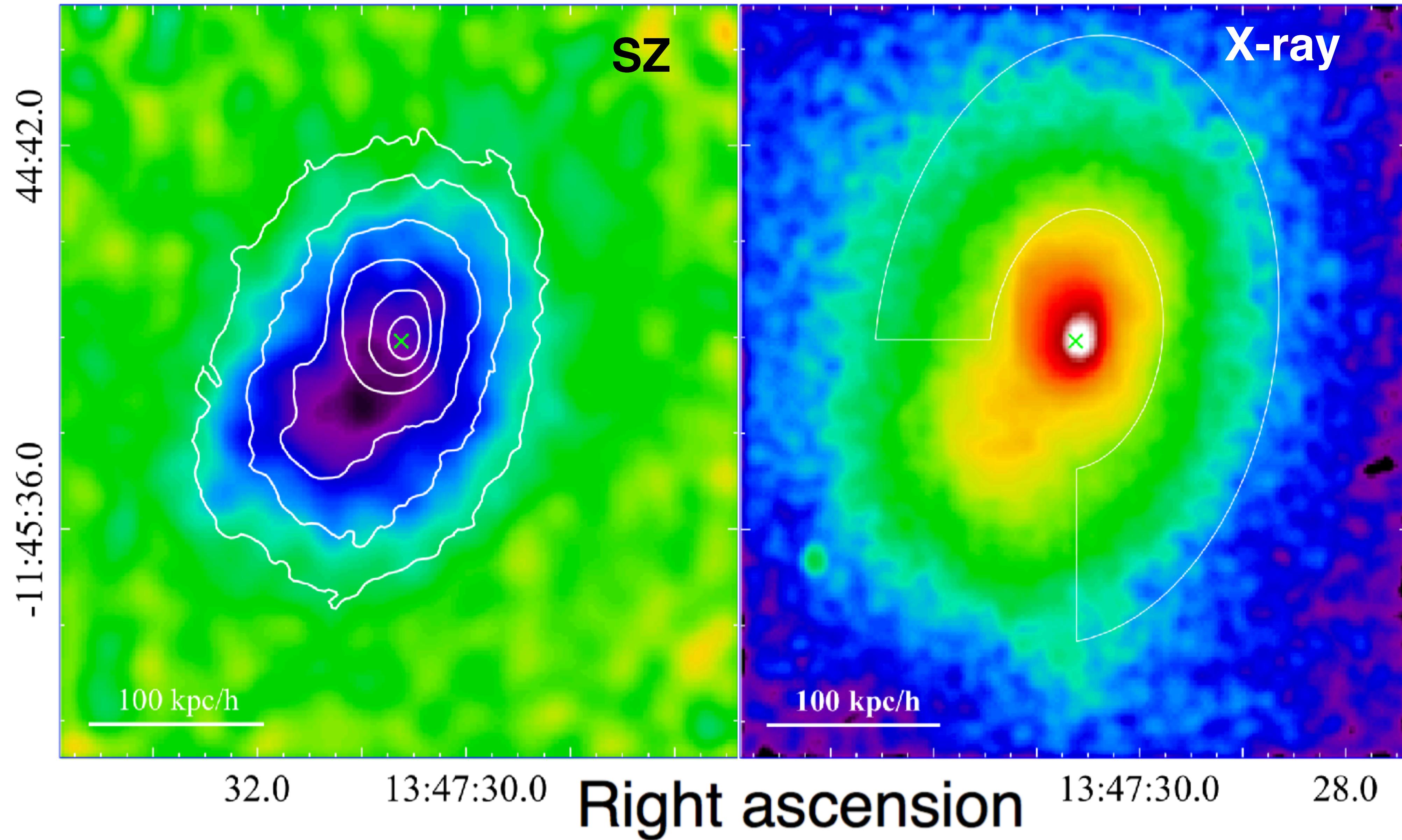
$$I_X = \int dl \ n_e^2 \Lambda(T_X) \quad I_{SZ} = g_\nu \frac{\sigma_T k_B}{m_e c^2} \int dl \ n_e T_e$$

They are similar, but not quite the same

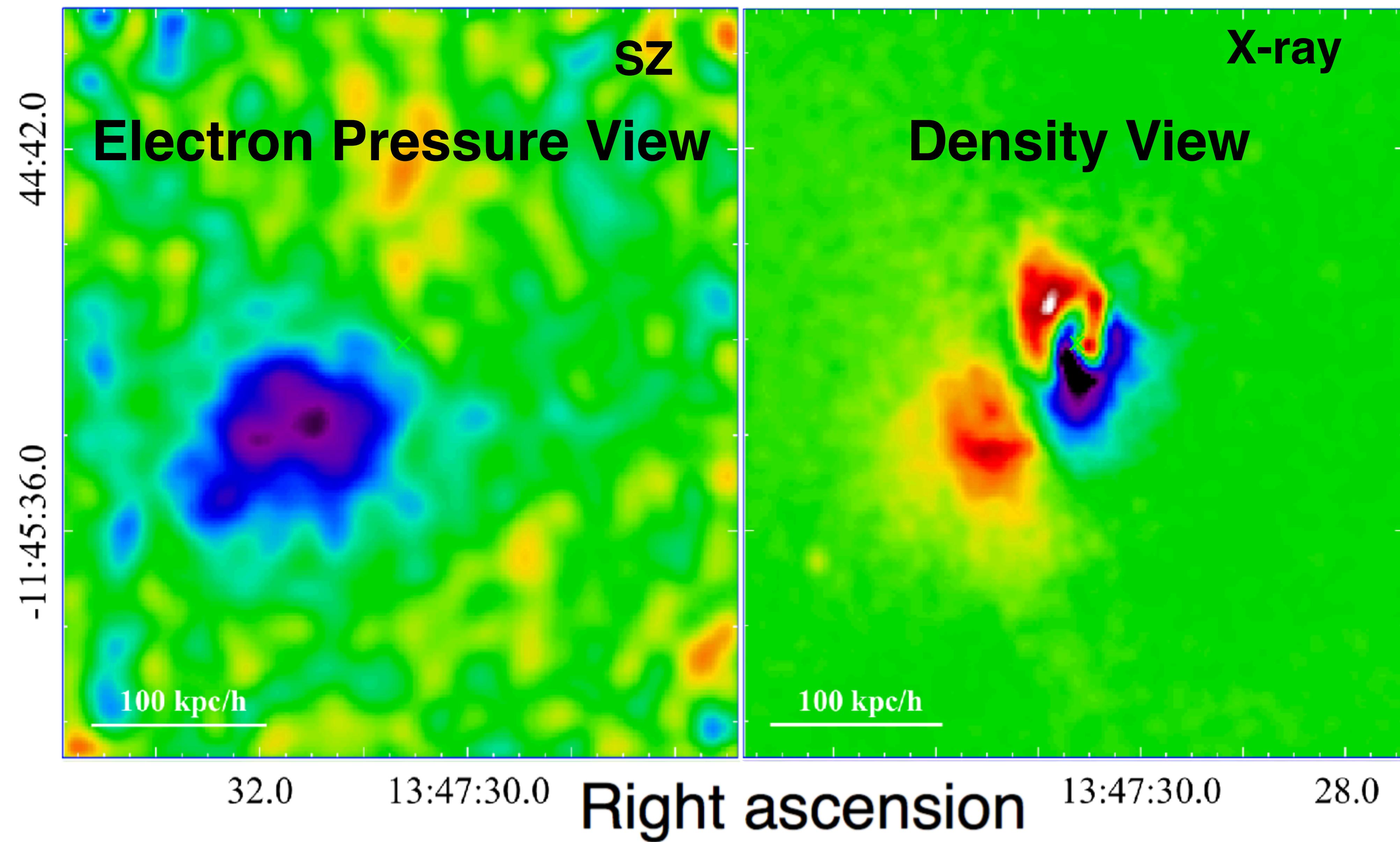
This is the first time to compare SZ and X-ray images
at a comparable angular resolution.



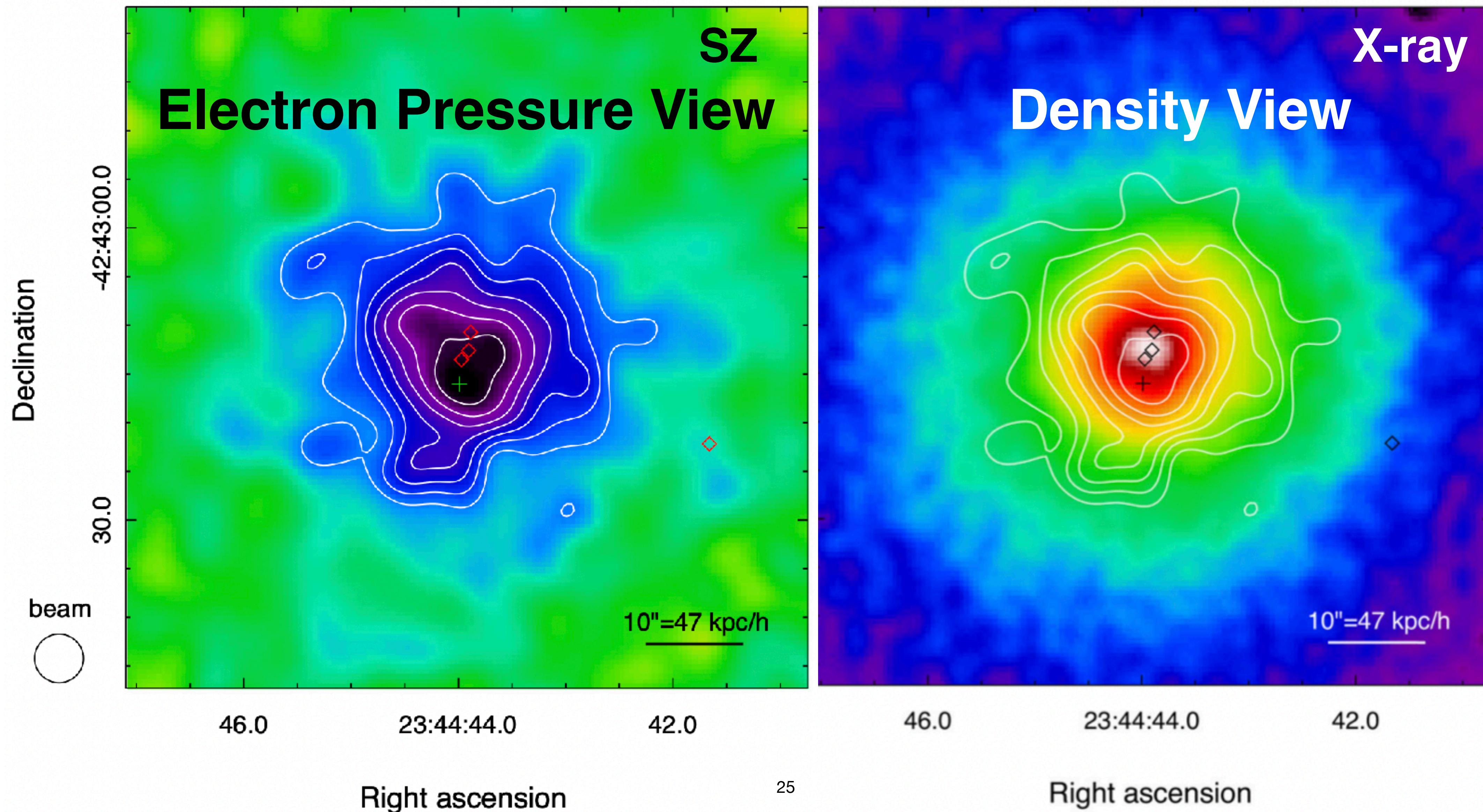
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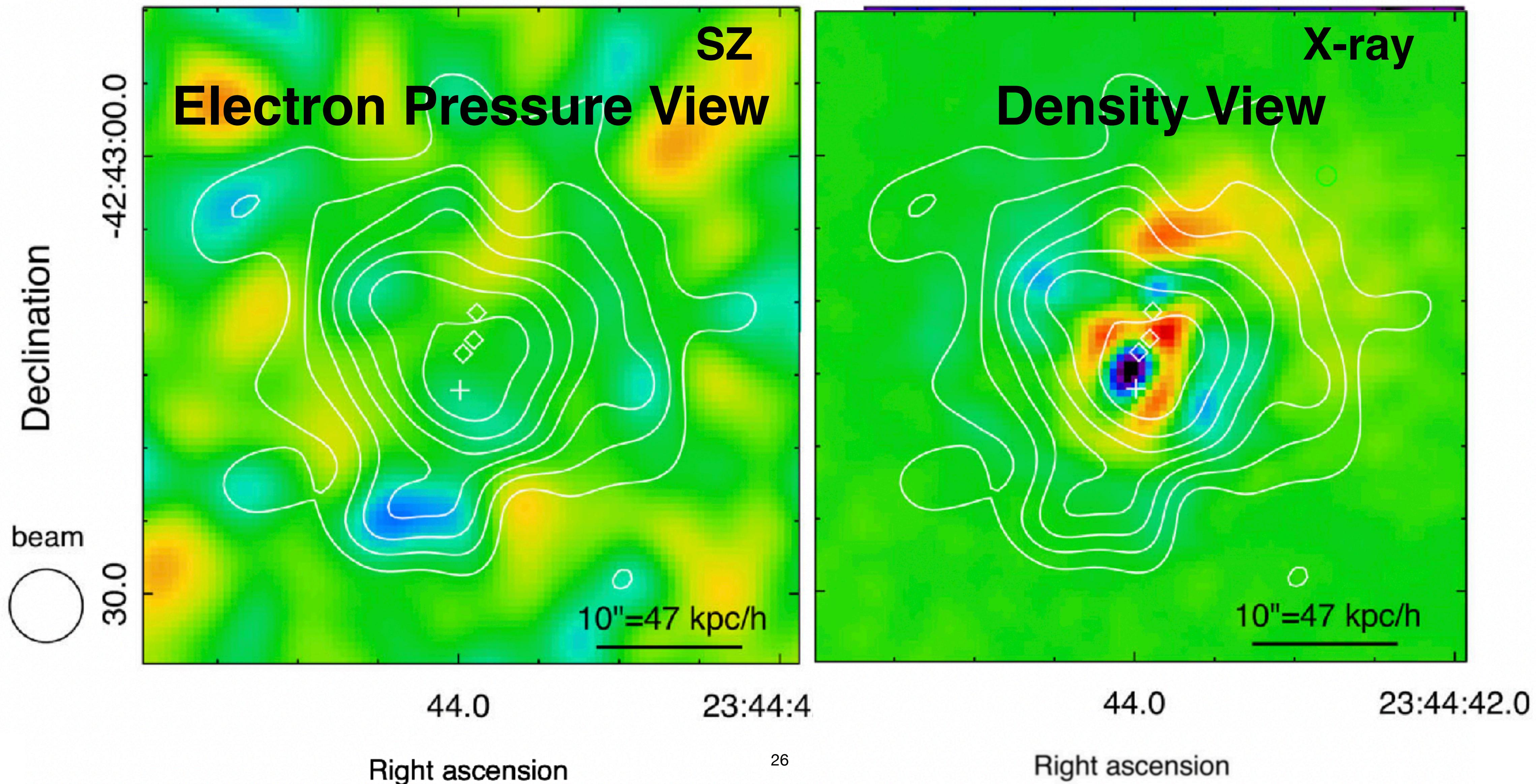
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Another example: Phoenix Cluster (z=0.597)

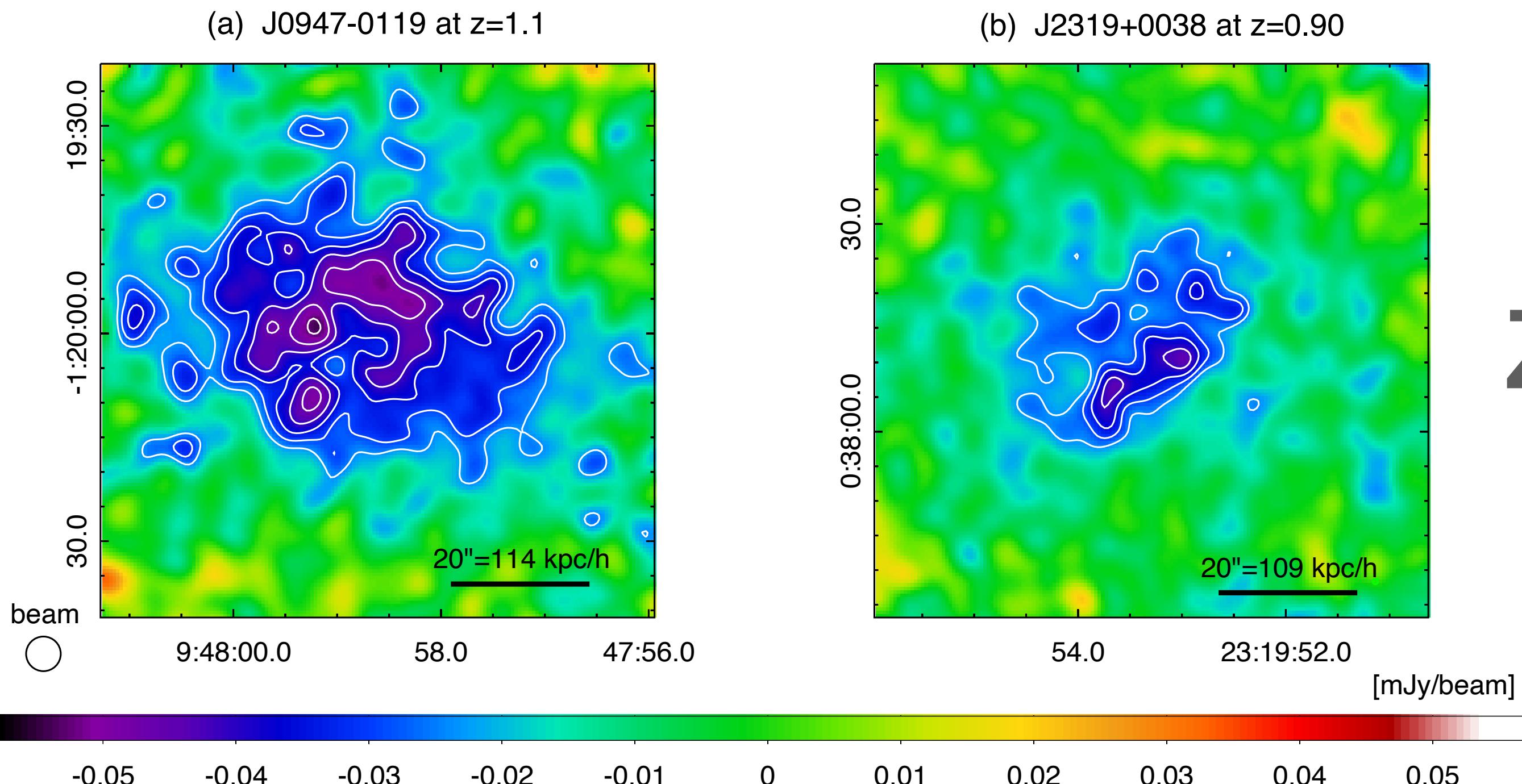


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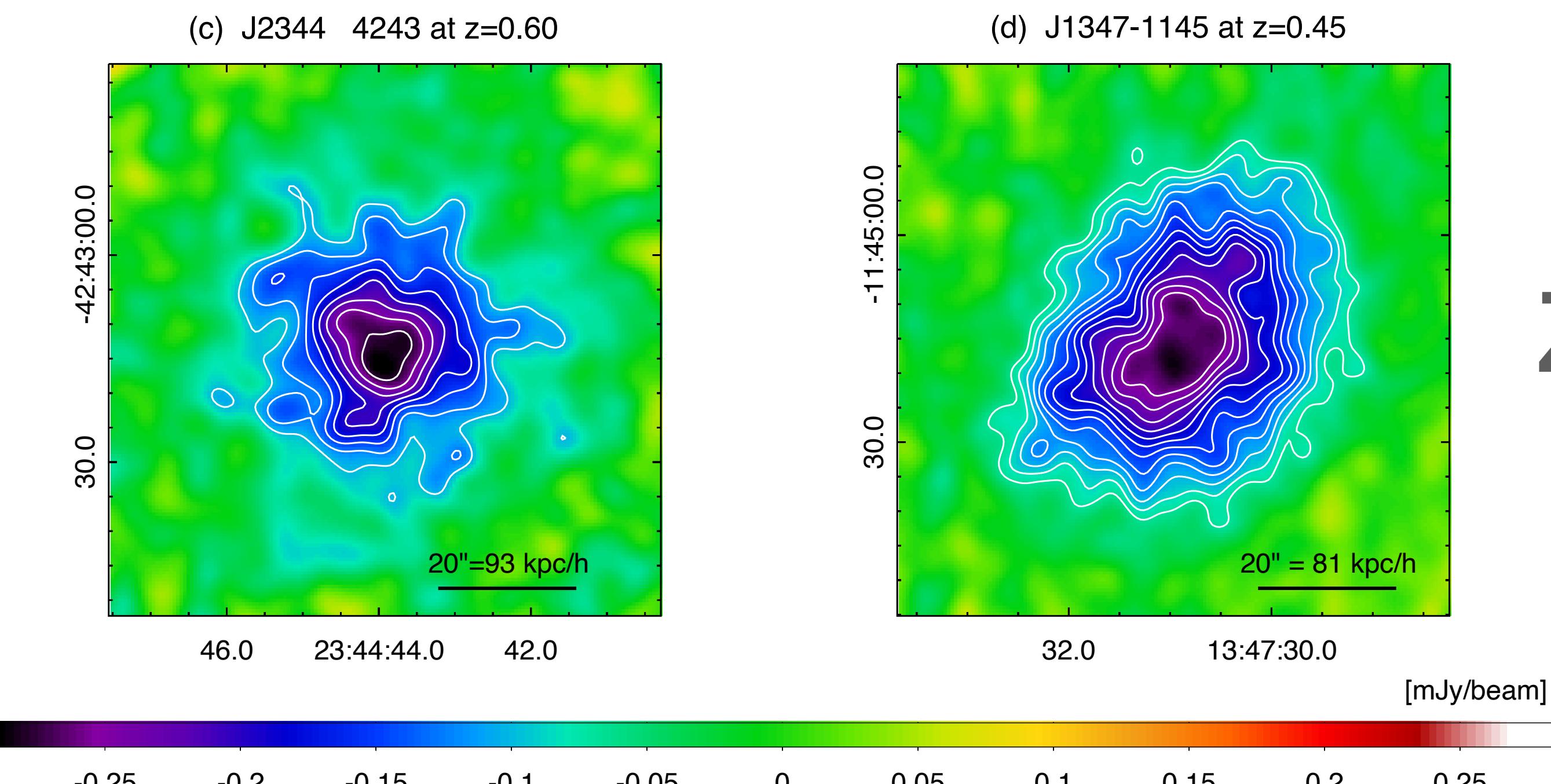


Gallery of the highest-resolution SZ images

$z=1.1$



$z=0.6$

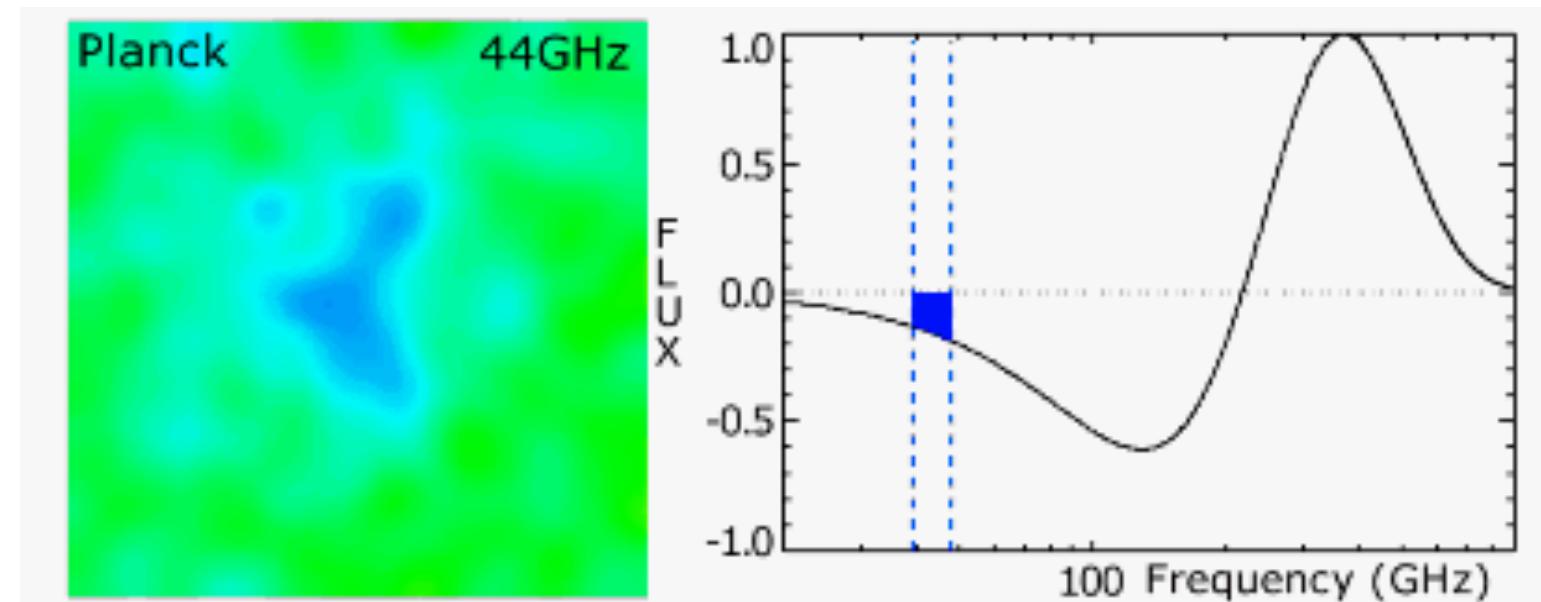


$z=0.9$

$z=0.45$

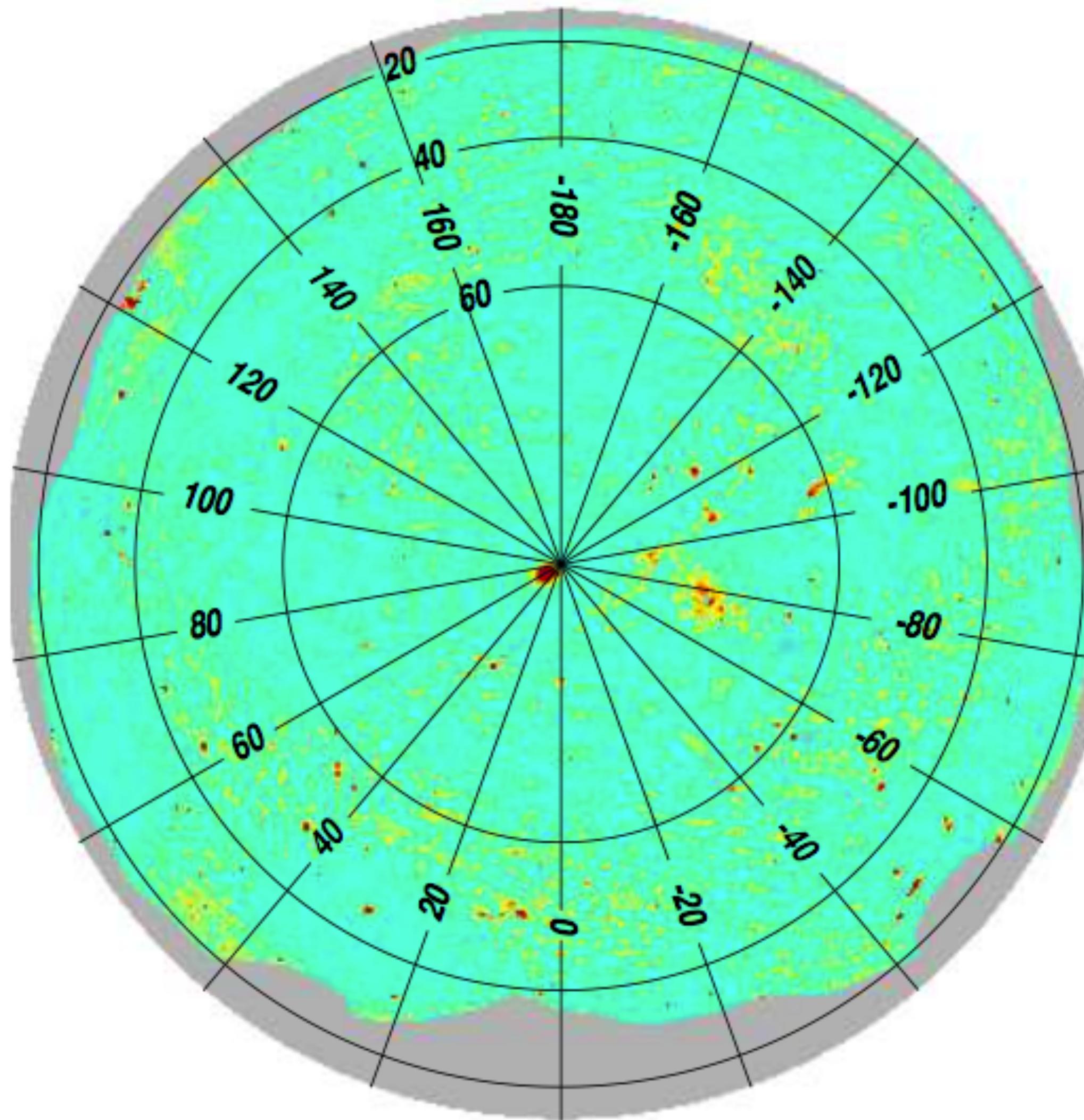
Q1: How hot is the large-scale structure of the Universe?

Create a full-sky SZ map using the multi-frequency data!



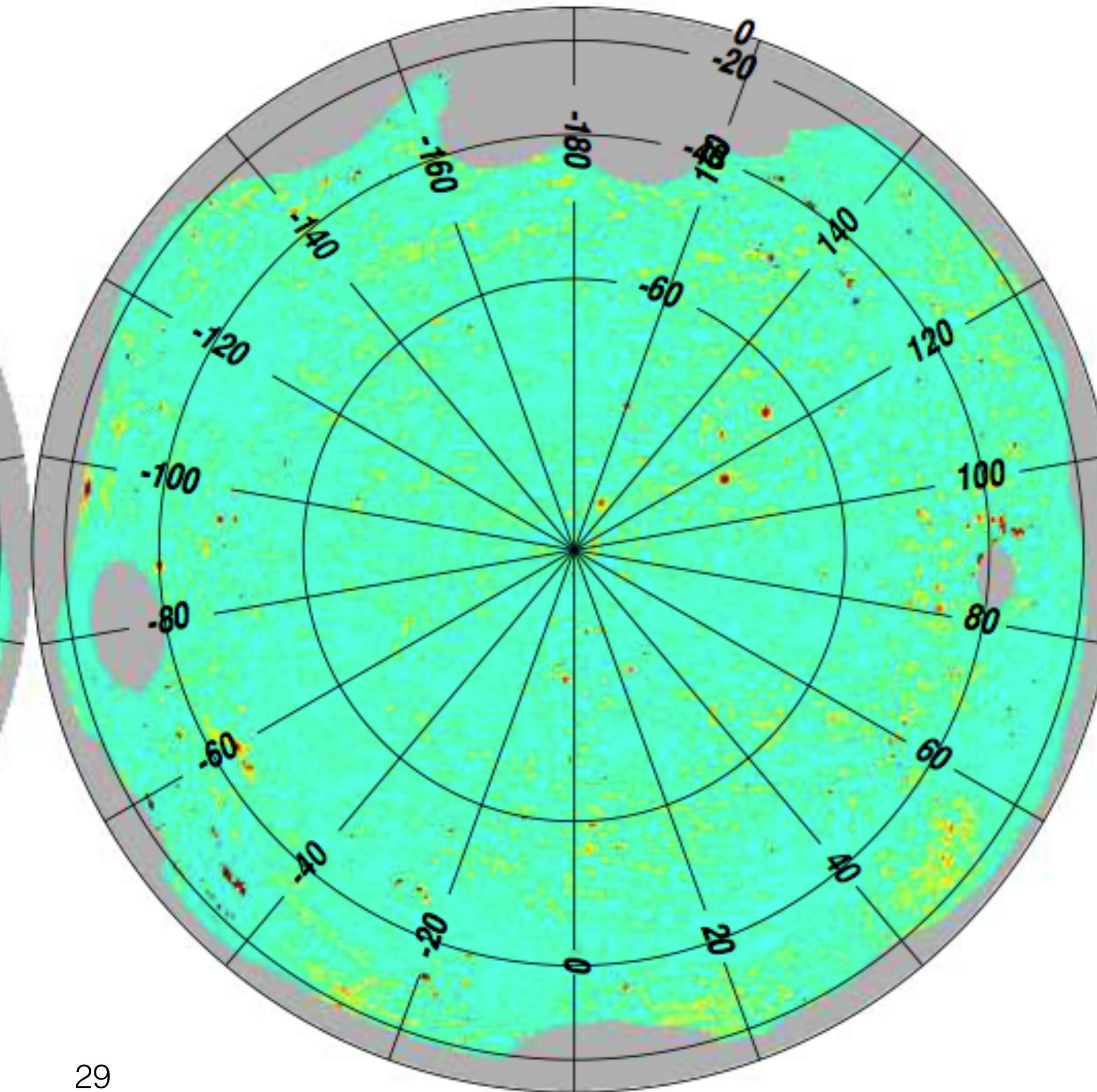
Full-sky Electron Pressure Map

North Galactic Pole



MILCA tSZ map

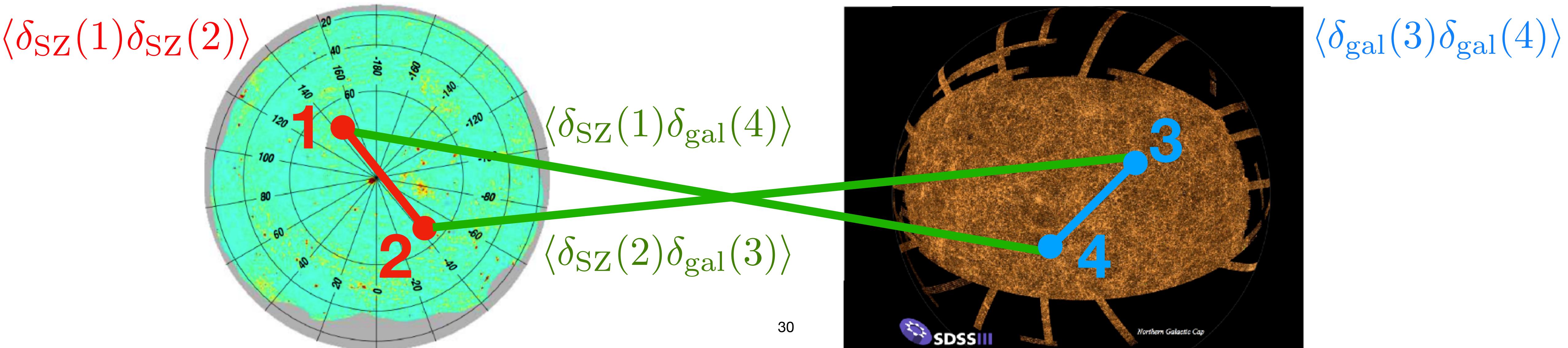
South Galactic Pole



The Limitation of the SZ data

The need for “Tomography”

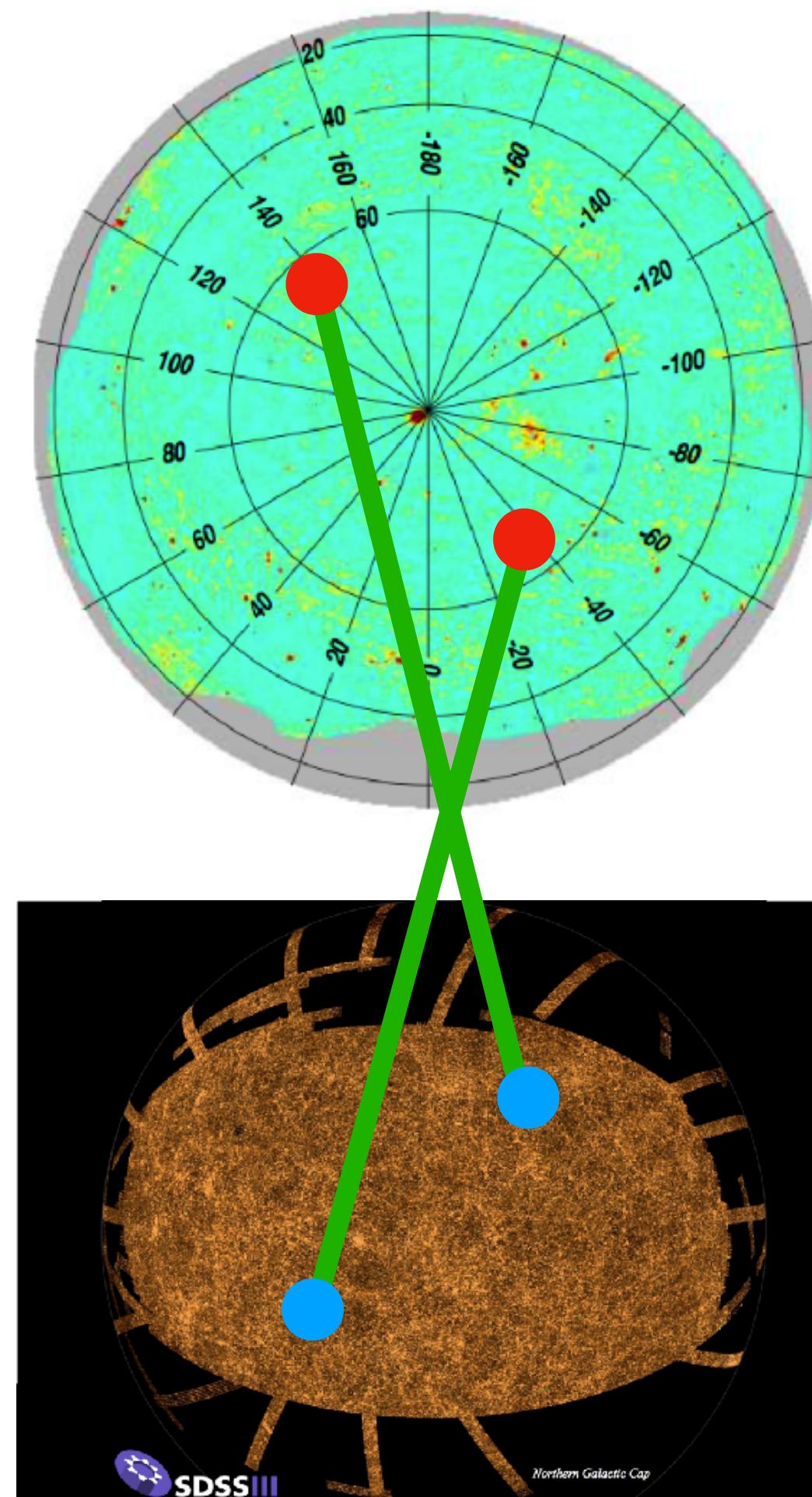
- This map gives us all the hot electron pressure **in projection**.
 - No redshift information.
 - We can overcome this limitation by cross-correlating the SZ map with the locations of galaxies with the known redshifts => **the SZ tomography**.



See Chiang's versatile cross-correlation tool, "Tomographer":
<http://tomographer.org>

The data used

Planck and SDSS



- **For the SZ: Multi-frequency component separation**
 - The Planck High-frequency Instrument (HFI) data at 100, 143, 217, 353, 545 and 857 GHz.
 - In addition, we use the IRAS data at 3 and 5 THz for better separating the cosmic infrared background (CIB; from dusty galaxies).
- **For the galaxies and quasars: 2 million redshifts at $0 < z < 3$**
 - The SDSS main, SDSS-III/BOSS, and SDSS-IV/eBOSS data sets.

The basic methodology: A heuristic description

Vikram, Lids & Jain (2017)

- We focus on the clustering signal at large scales (the so-called “2-halo term” of clustering).
- Ignore non-linear clustering inside dark matter halos, but focus only on clustering between distinct halos.
- In this limit, we can write $P_e = \langle P_e \rangle (1 + b_y \delta_{\text{matter}})$ and $n_{\text{gal}} = \langle n_{\text{gal}} \rangle (1 + b_{\text{gal}} \delta_{\text{matter}})$. Thus, the cross-correlation yields

$$\frac{\langle P_e n_{\text{gal}} \rangle}{b_{\text{gal}} \langle n_{\text{gal}} \rangle \langle \delta_{\text{matter}} \delta_{\text{matter}} \rangle} = b_y \boxed{\langle P_e \rangle}$$

Measured from the auto galaxy correlation From the Λ CDM model

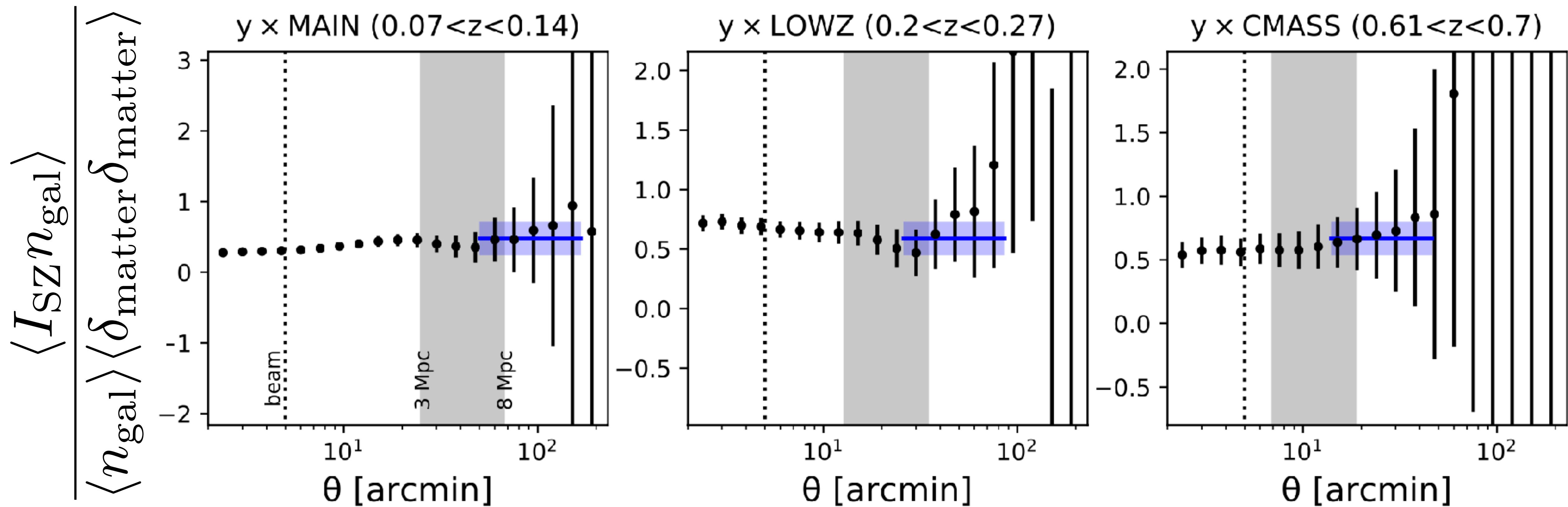
What we measure from the cross-correlation

What we want in the end

The first key deliverable

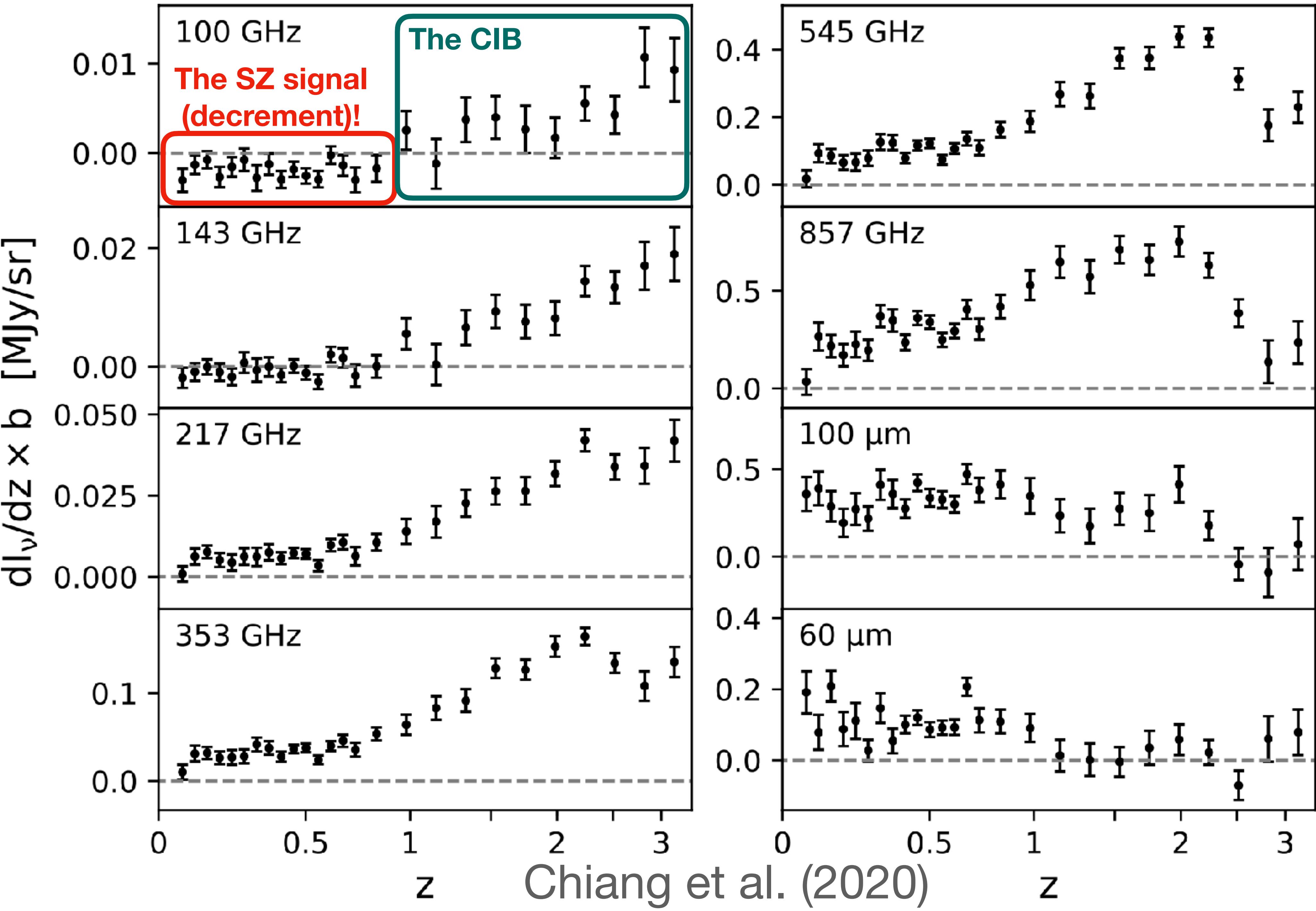
How the measurements look

To show that we are in the “linear” regime

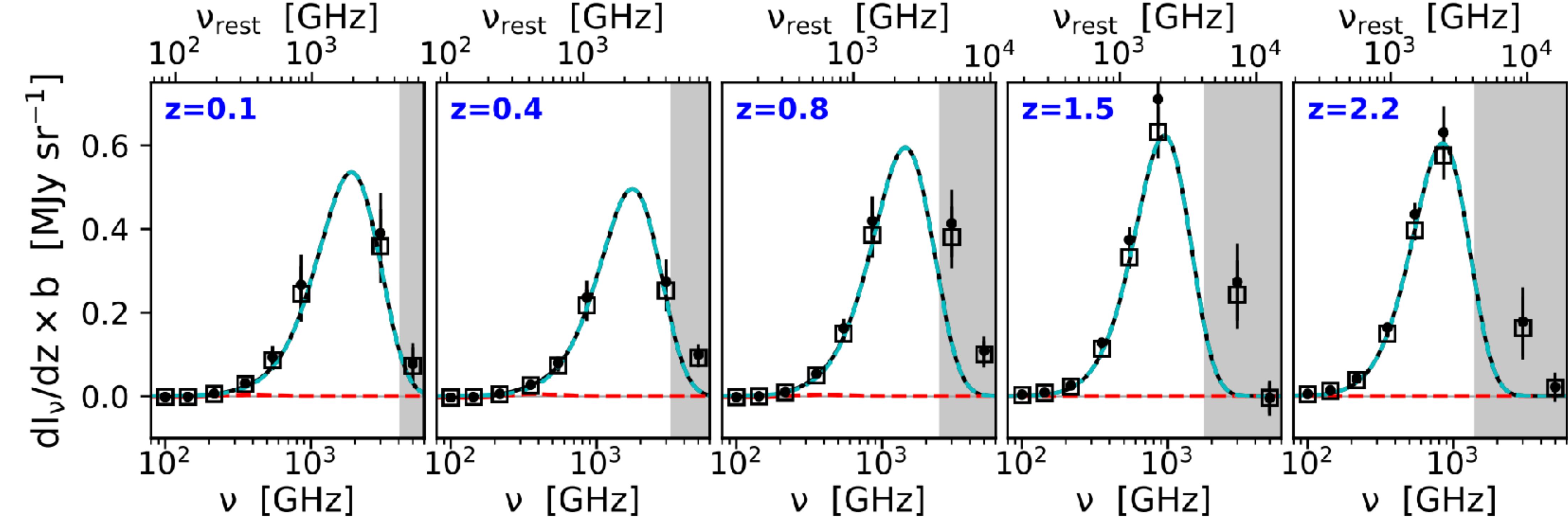
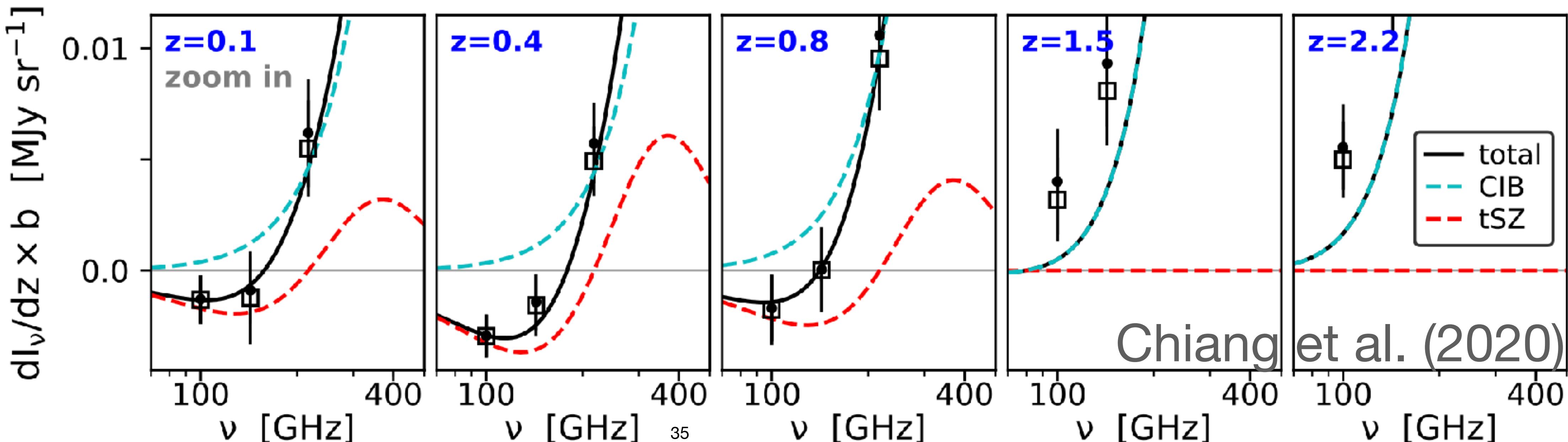


- The data within the grey band are used for the analysis, where the ratio is a constant, justifying the extraction of the single constant amplitude in each z bin.

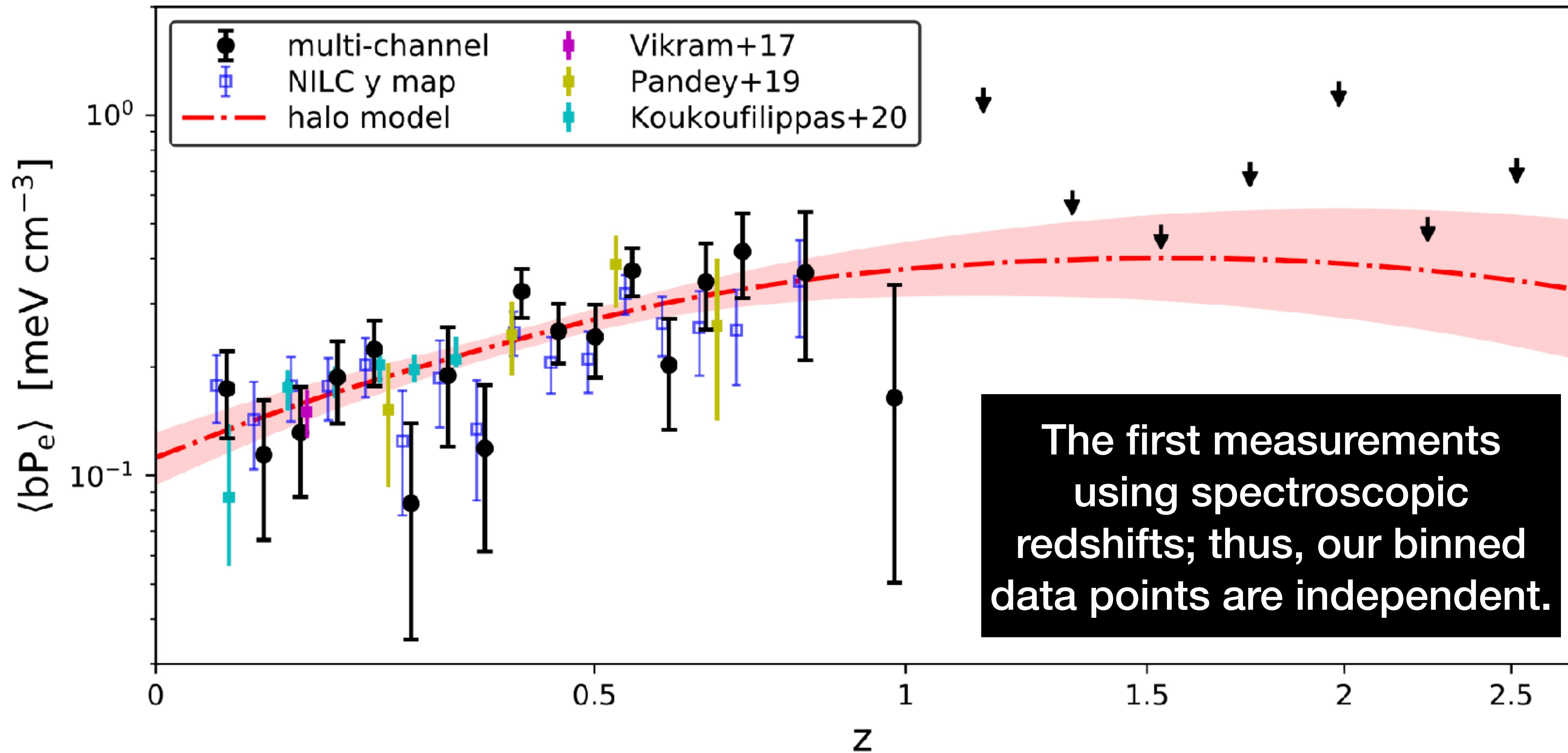
The Planck/IRAS-SDSS cross-correlations The need for the multi-component fits (SZ+CIB).



Tomography of the SED of not Only SZ, but also CIB!



The first main result: Model-independent Bias-weighted mean electron pressure of the Universe!

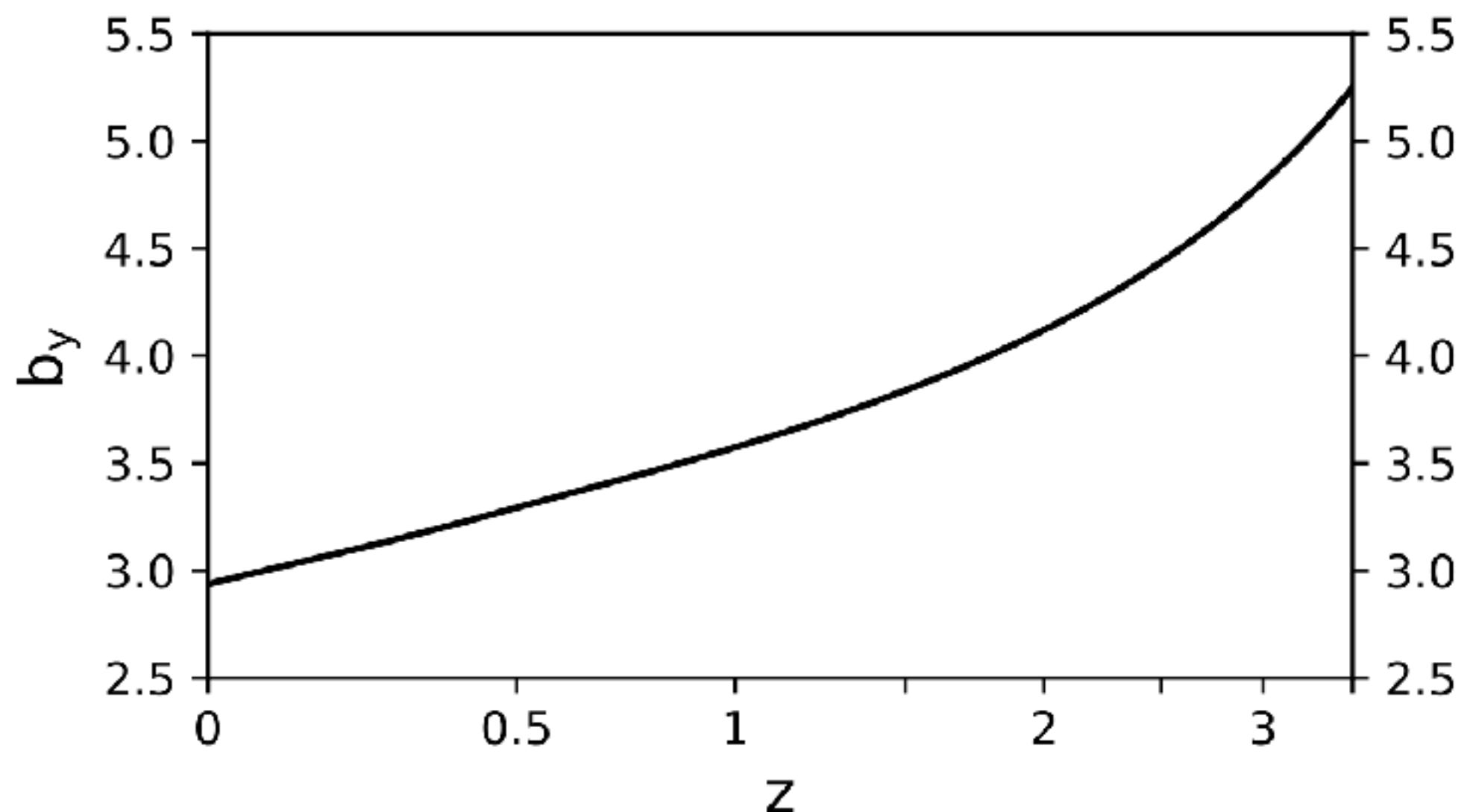


$\langle bP_e \rangle \rightarrow \langle P_e \rangle$

Debiasing by the physical model

- To get the mean pressure, we need to “de-bias” $\langle bP_e \rangle = b_y \langle P_e \rangle$. This can be done by computing and dividing by

$$b_y(z) = \frac{\langle bP_e \rangle}{\langle P_e \rangle} = \frac{\int dM \frac{dn}{dM} M^{5/3+\alpha_P} b_{\text{halo}}(M, z)}{\int dM \frac{dn}{dM} M^{5/3+\alpha_P}}$$

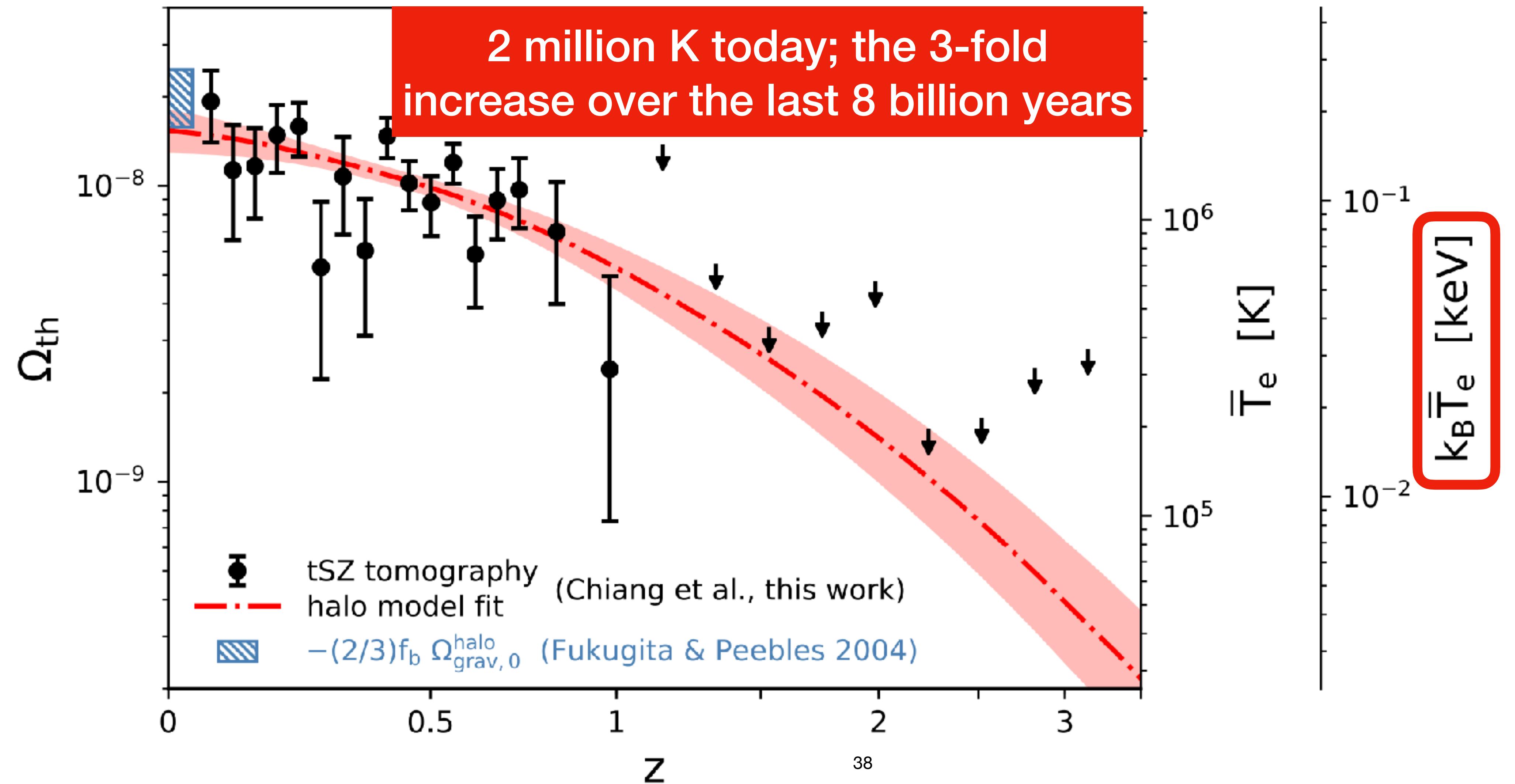


$\alpha_P = 0.12$ is the empirical correction for non-self-similar scaling found by the X-ray data (Arnaud et al. 2010).

$$\Omega_{\text{th}}(z) = 1.78 \times 10^{-8} \frac{k_B \bar{T}_\rho(z)}{0.2 \text{ keV}} \frac{\Omega_b}{0.049}$$

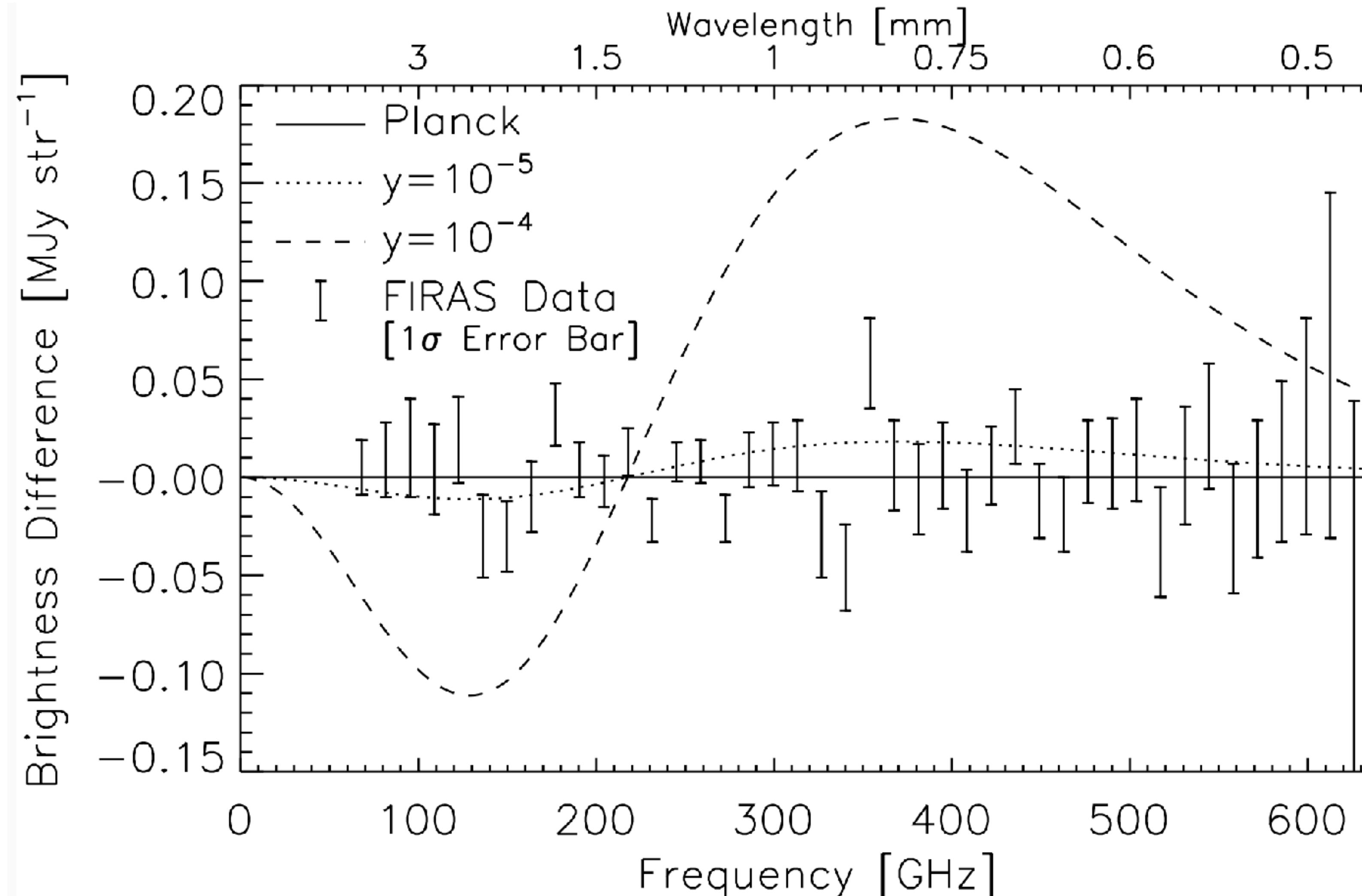
The second main result

The mean thermal energy density of the Universe!



The prediction for the future space mission

The sky-averaged Compton y parameter



- Sometime in future, there will be a space mission measuring the sky-averaged (monopole) spectrum of the CMB, improving upon COBE/FIRAS by a factor of 10^{3-5} .
- Such a mission will measure the average distortion from the hot gas in the Universe.
- Our data suggest $\langle y \rangle = 1.2 \times 10^{-6}$

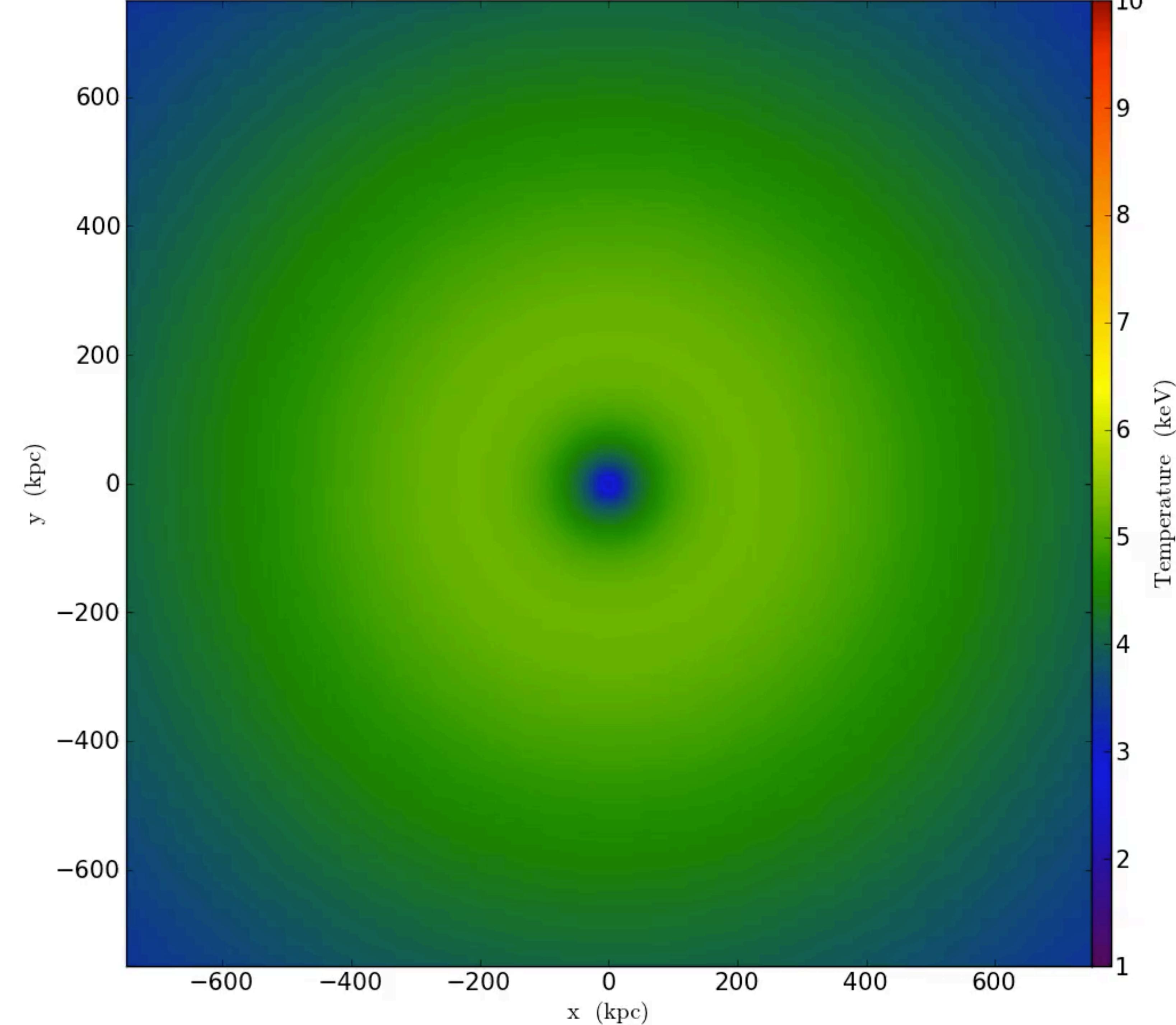
Q2: Where did the thermal energy come from?

Of course you know the answer...

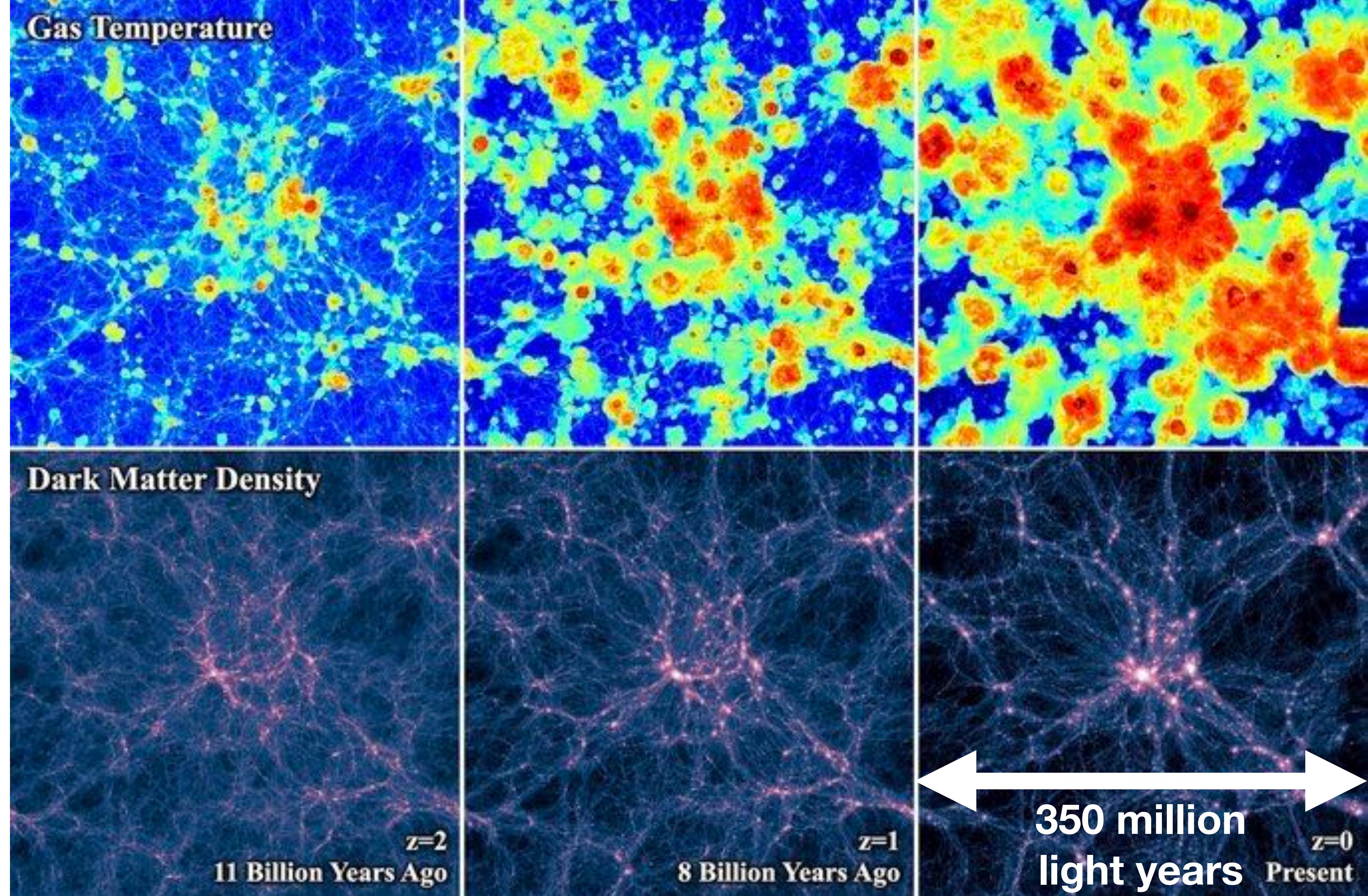
Open any textbook!

- You can find a statement like, “*As the large-scale structure forms and the matter density fluctuation collapses, the gravitational energy is converted into the thermal energy via a shock.*”
- Yes, of course this picture is correct. However, how much do we know about this energy conversion **quantitatively**?
- To my knowledge, no quantitative assessment of this statement has been made before.
- Our approach: We have measured Ω_{th} . We can calculate Ω_{grav} using theory of the structure formation. Let’s compare the two and see if they make sense.

Idealized Simulation of Gas Heating by Shock Waves (Johnson et al. 2012)



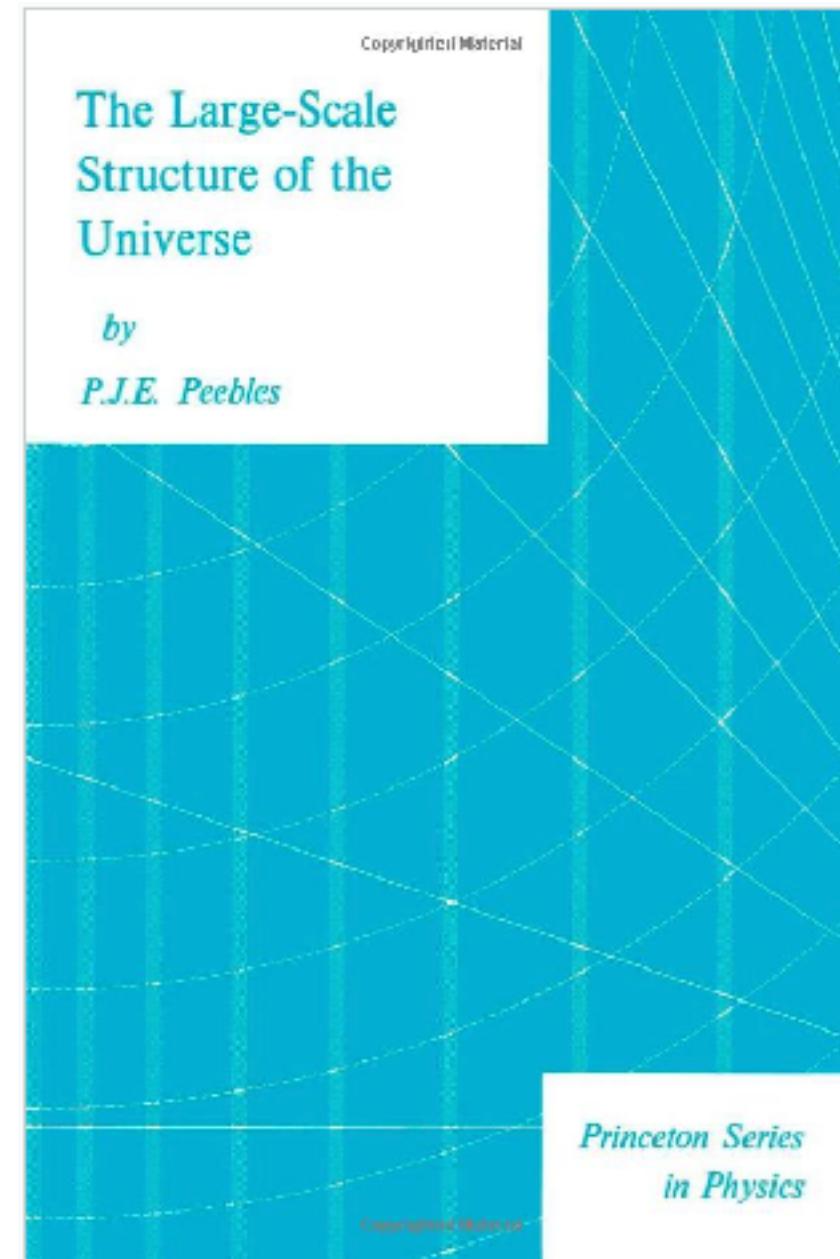
More sophisticated simulation (Credit: Illustris Collaboration)



The “W”: Gravitational potential energy per unit mass

Considering a system of mass M consisting of particles with mass m_i , such that $M = \sum_i m_i$,

$$\begin{aligned} MW &= -\frac{1}{2}a^3\rho_m(a) \int d^3x \delta(\mathbf{x}, a)\phi(\mathbf{x}, a) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}Ga^5\rho_m^2(a) \int d^3x \int d^3x' \frac{\delta(\mathbf{x}, a)\delta(\mathbf{x}', a)}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \end{aligned}$$



- The ensemble average is given by the density-potential cross power spectrum:

$$\overline{MW} = -\frac{1}{2}\rho_{m0} \left(\int d^3x \right) \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \boxed{P_{\phi\delta}(k, a)}$$

With the Poisson equation:
 $P_{\phi\delta}(k, a) = -4\pi G \frac{\rho_{m0}}{a} \frac{P(k, a)}{k^2}$

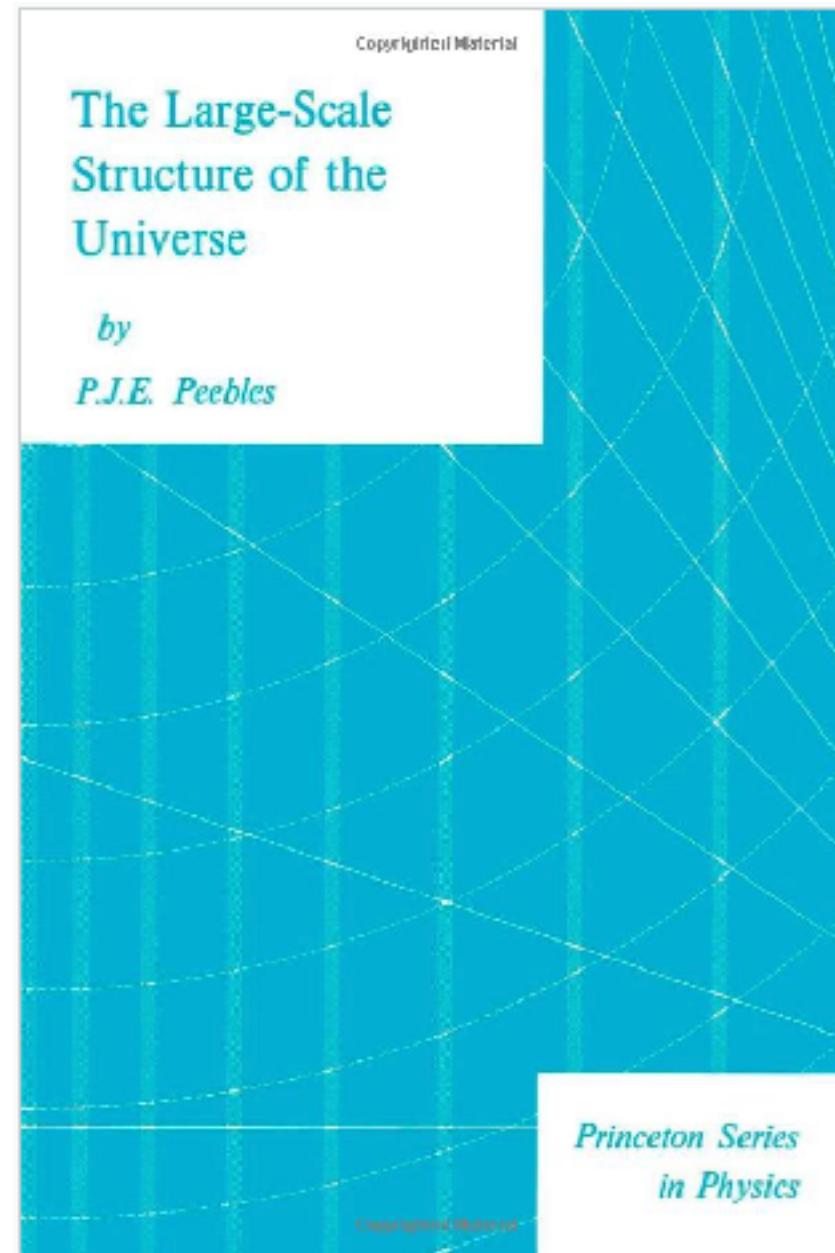
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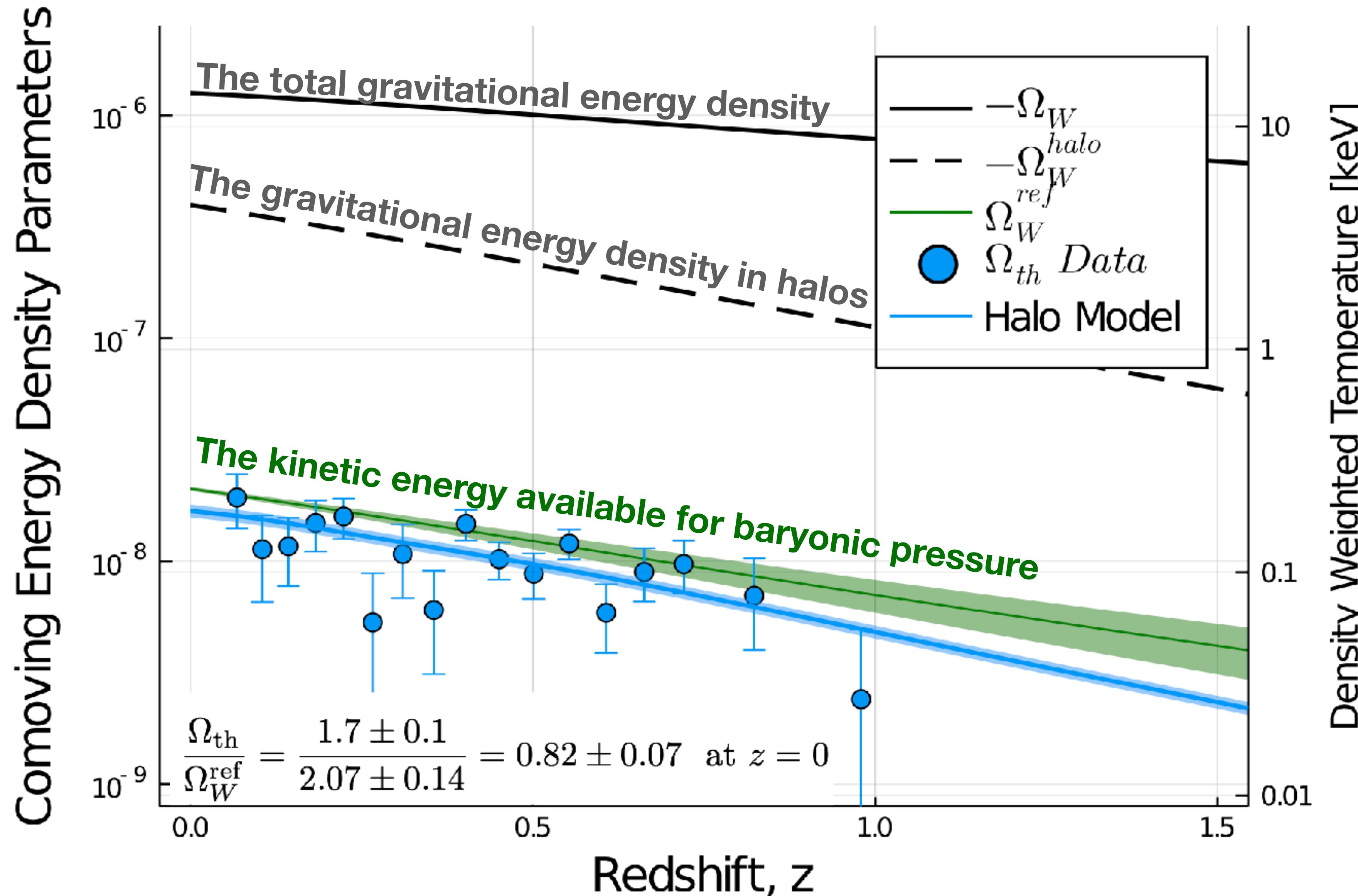
$$MW = -\frac{1}{2}a^3\rho_m(a) \int d^3x \delta(\mathbf{x}, a)\phi(\mathbf{x}, a)$$

$$W = -\frac{3\Omega_m H_0^2}{8\pi^2 a} \int_0^\infty dk P(k, a)$$



This is the exact formula for W (in the Newtonian limit).

The Energy Balance in the Large-scale Structure



The energy density parameter for W :

$$\Omega_W = \frac{\Omega_m}{c^2} W$$

The halo contribution:

$$\frac{\Omega_W^{\text{halo}}}{\Omega_W^{\text{tot}}} \approx 0.3 \text{ at } z = 0$$

Pressure available for baryons

$$\Omega_W^{\text{ref}} = -\frac{1}{3} f_b \Omega_W^{\text{halo}}$$

Conclusion from the second part

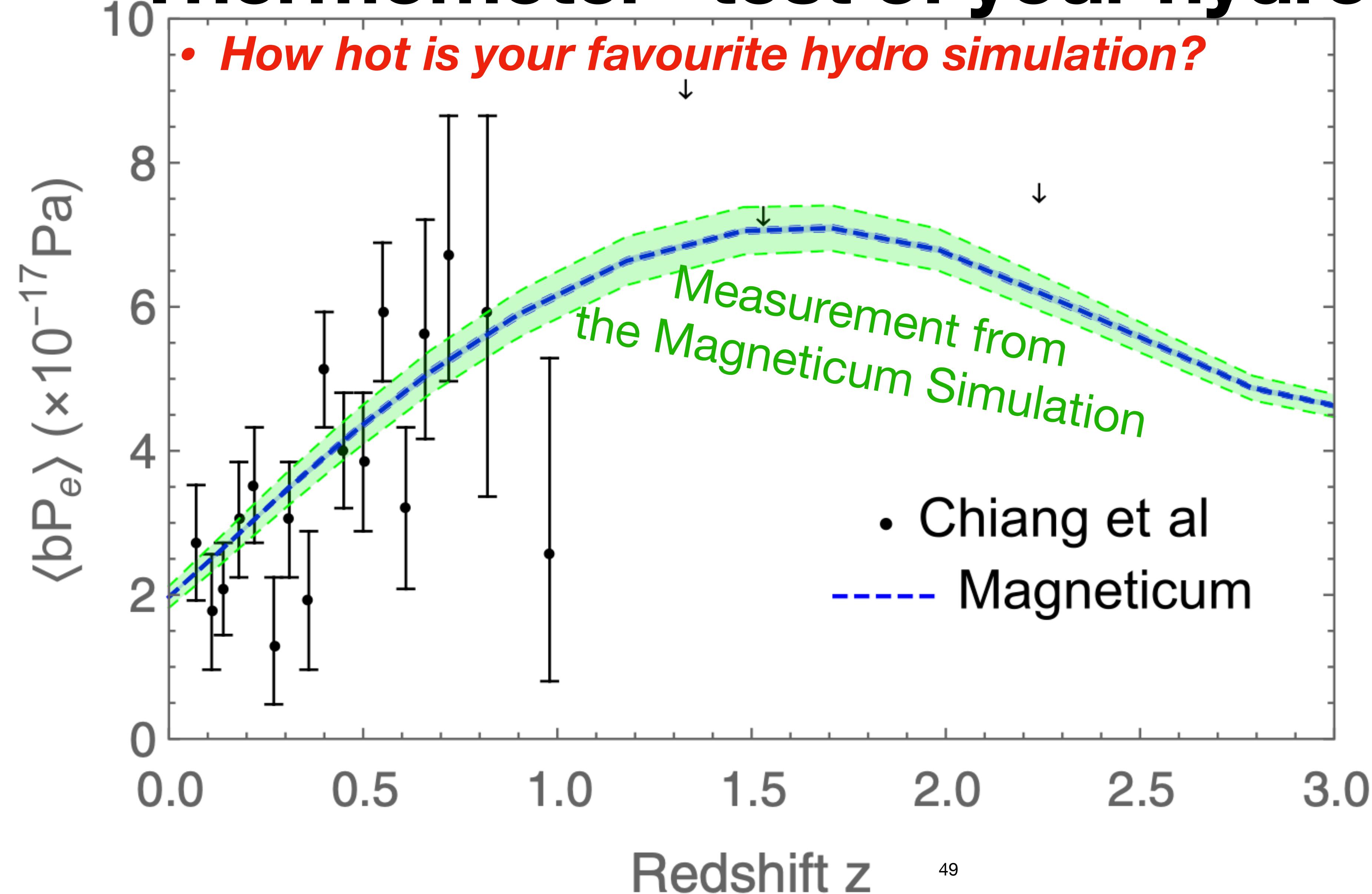
The energy balance does work, but where is the rest of the K.E.?

- We can now make the following statement:
 - **The measured thermal energy density accounts for ~80% of the gravitational potential energy available for kinetic energy of collapsed baryons.**
 - This is the first quantitative assessment of the textbook statement on gravitational -> thermal energy conversion in the large-scale structure formation (using the observational data).
 - **What is the rest (~20%)?** => Non-thermal pressure due to the mass accretion! [Shi and EK (2014); Shi et al. (2015; 2016)]
 - There is a lot more (x3) kinetic energy available in the LSS beyond collapsed baryons. **Where/how can we find it?** Kinetic SZ effect?

Q3: Is this good for anything?

Is this just beautiful physics, or actually useful for anyone?

“Thermometer” test of your hydro simulation



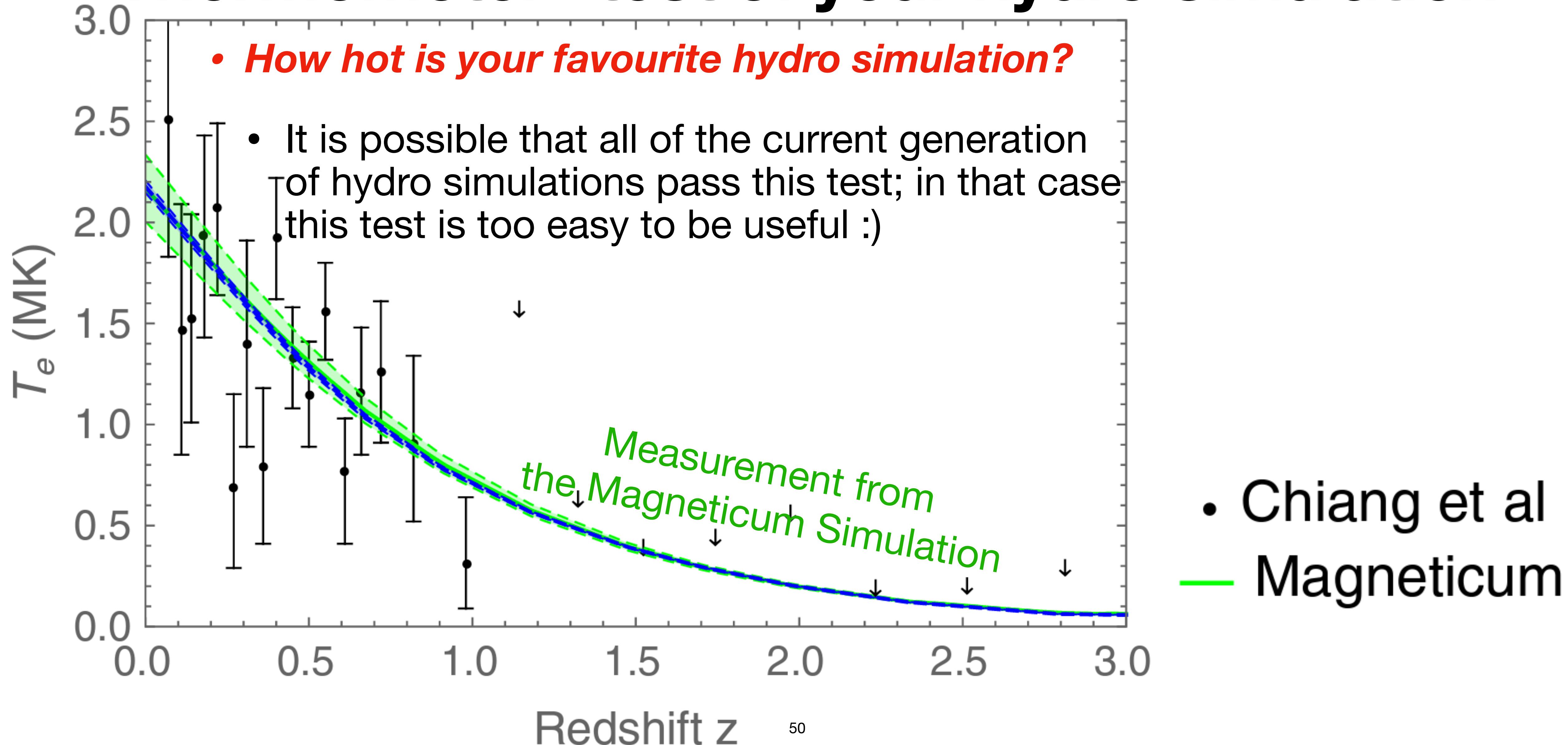
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Conclusion: Home work done.

The energy balance seems to work in the Universe

- We have measured the evolution of the mean thermal energy density (equivalently the density-weighted mean temperature) of the large-scale structure of the Universe out to $z \sim 1$.
 - Personally: This is the completion of the 20 years of homework since *Refregier, EK, Spergel, Pen (2000)* [Also see Cen & Ostriker (1999)].
 - We used Ue-Li Pen's moving mesh hydro code to predict the evolution of the density-weighted mean temperature. **We finally measured this.**
 - Detailed comparison to the gravitational energy of the LSS shows that **the thermal energy accounts for ~80% of the kinetic energy available for thermal pressure of collapsed baryons**. The rest can be accounted for easily by non-thermal pressure (*Shi & EK 2014*).
 - Is this good for anything? You tell us!

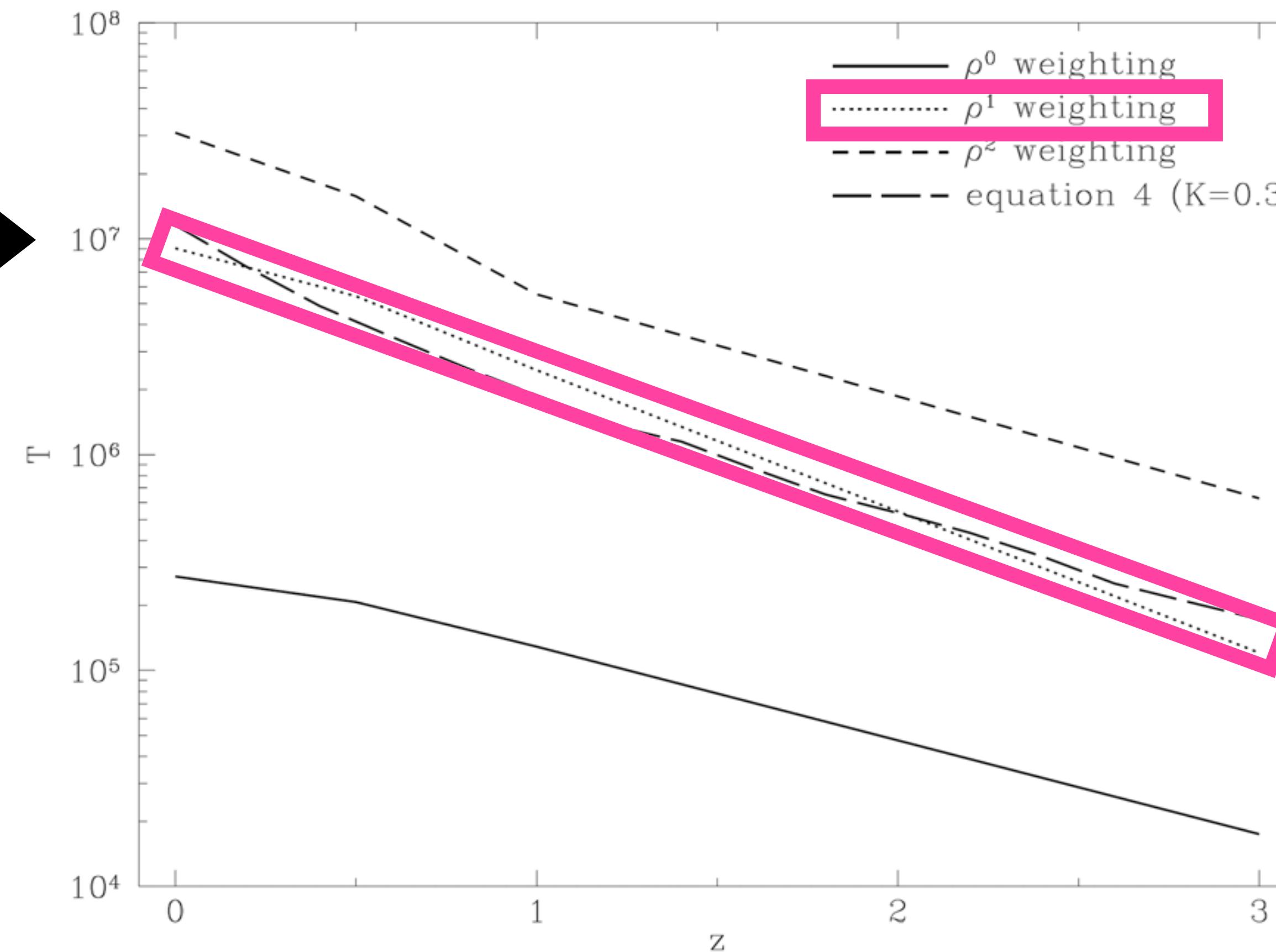
WHERE ARE THE BARYONS?

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Power spectrum of the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect

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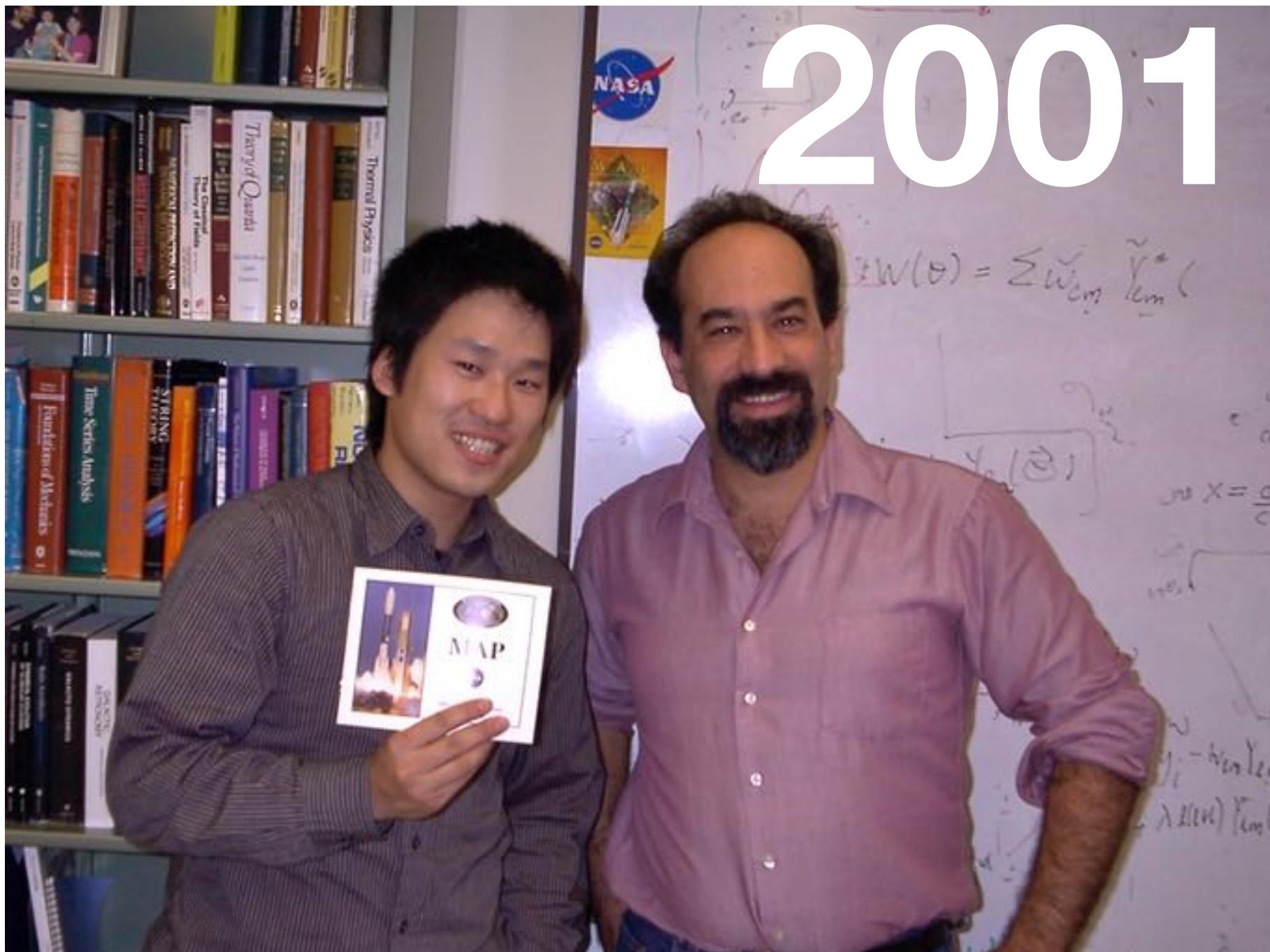
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Model	\bar{T}_ρ^a (keV)
SCDM	0.19 (2.2 mil. K)
Λ CDM	0.25 (2.9 mil. K)
OCDM	0.19 (2.2 mil. K)

^aAt $z=0$.

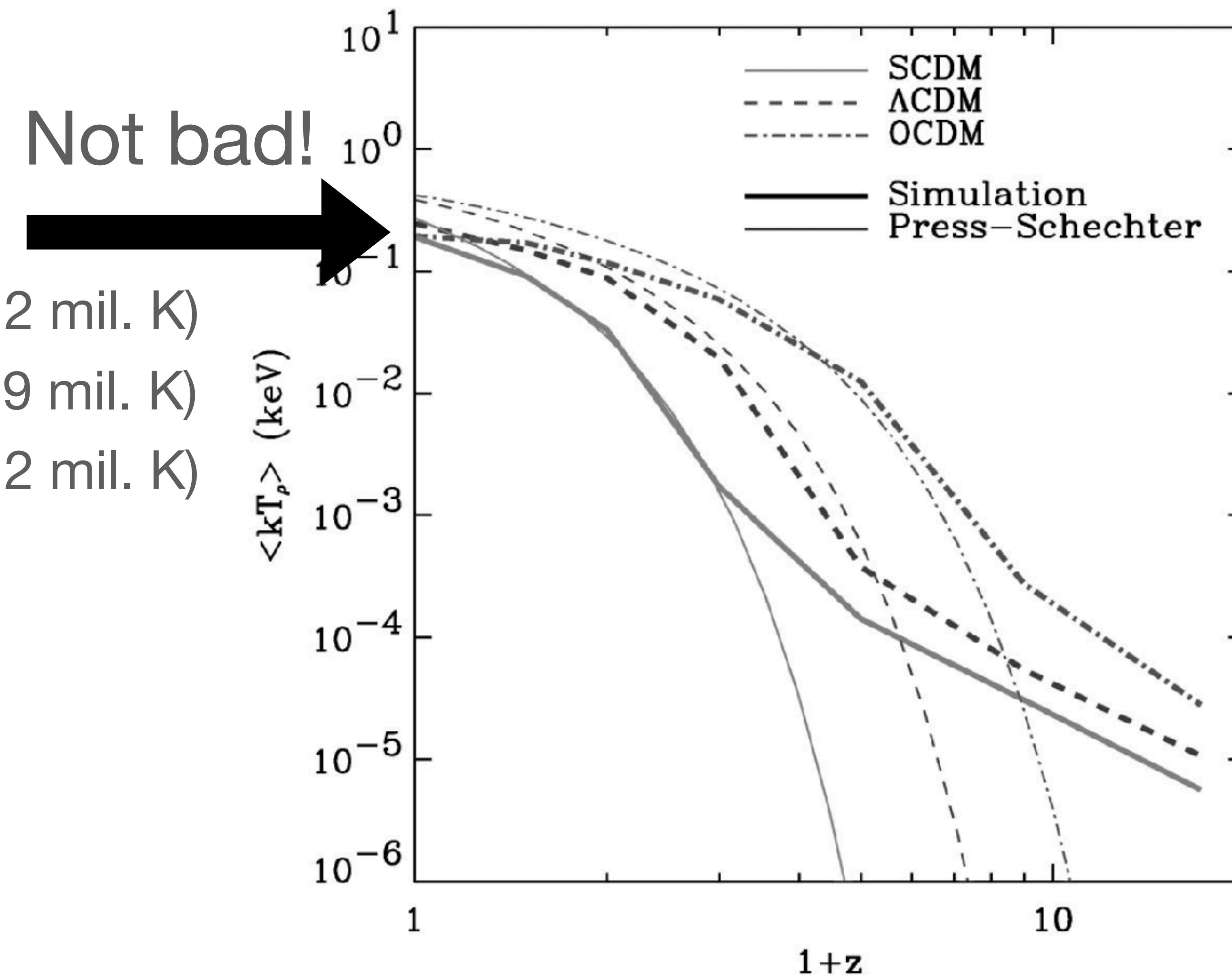


FIG. 4. Temperature history of the gas. For each model, the density weighted temperature T_ρ is shown for the simulations and for the Press-Schechter prediction.

W to K: the mean kinetic energy per unit mass

Layzer-Irvine equation (Layzer 1963; Irvine 1961; Dmitriev & Zeldovich 1964)

- Given the knowledge of W, we can calculate the mean kinetic energy per unit mass, K, using the Layzer-Irvine equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(K + W) + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}(2K + W) = 0$$

where K is the mean kinetic energy per unit mass, $K = \sum_i m_i v_i^2 / (2 \sum_i m_i)$.

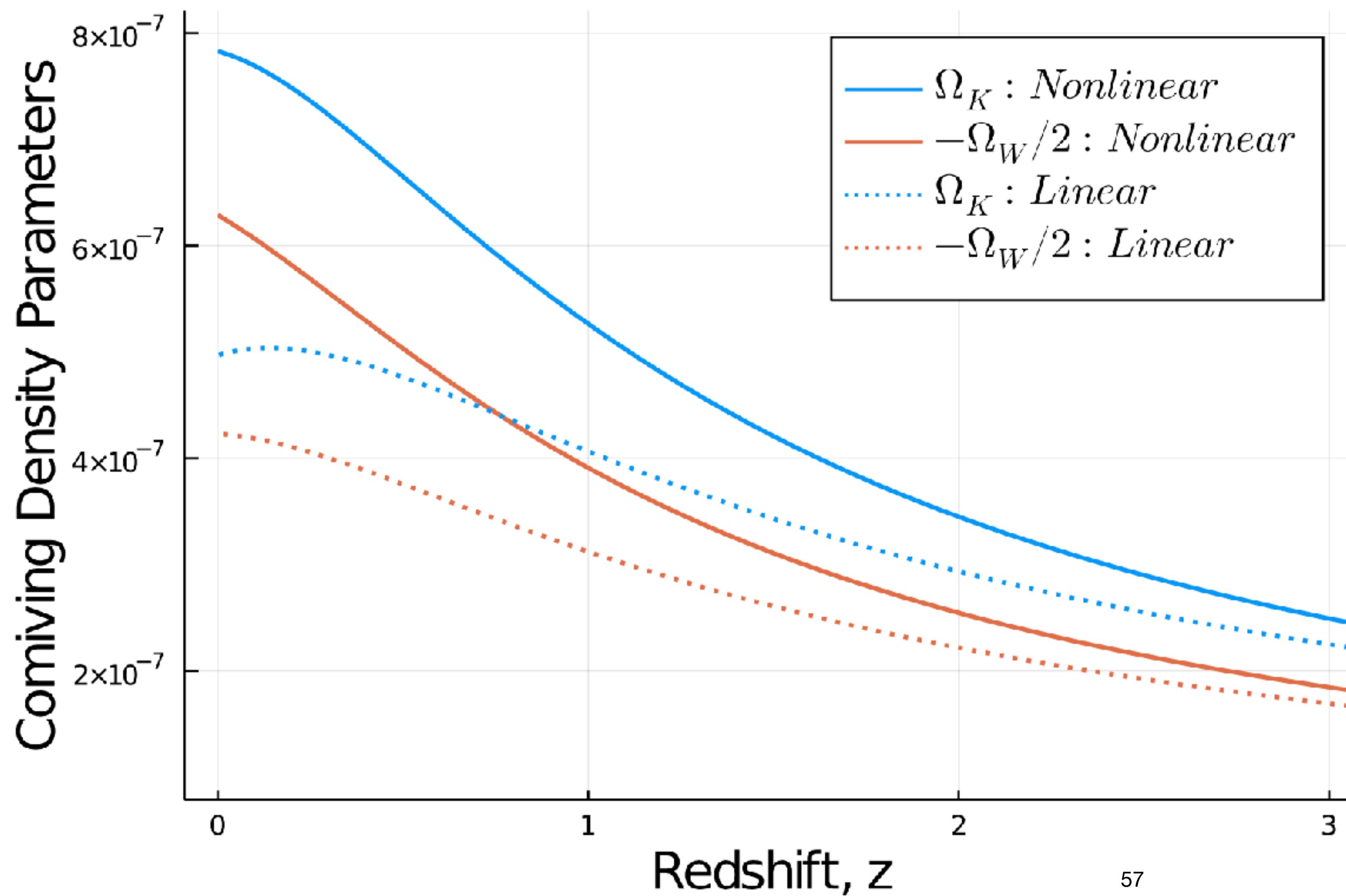
- The initial condition for K can be set using the linear theory result at sufficiently early time (Davis et al. 1997),

$$K = -\frac{2f^2}{3\Omega_m(a)}W$$

where $f \equiv d \ln \delta_1 / d \ln a$ with the linear density contrast δ_1 and $\Omega_m(a) = \Omega_m / [a^3 E^2(a)]$ is the matter density parameter at a given a .

W to K: The Result

More kinetic energy is available than the virial theorem $K = -W/2$



- This result captures the kinetic energy of all structures.
- Here, we do not separate random and bulk motion of collapsed and non-collapsed structures, respectively.
- For comparison to the thermal energy, we used the virial relationship, $K = -W/2$.