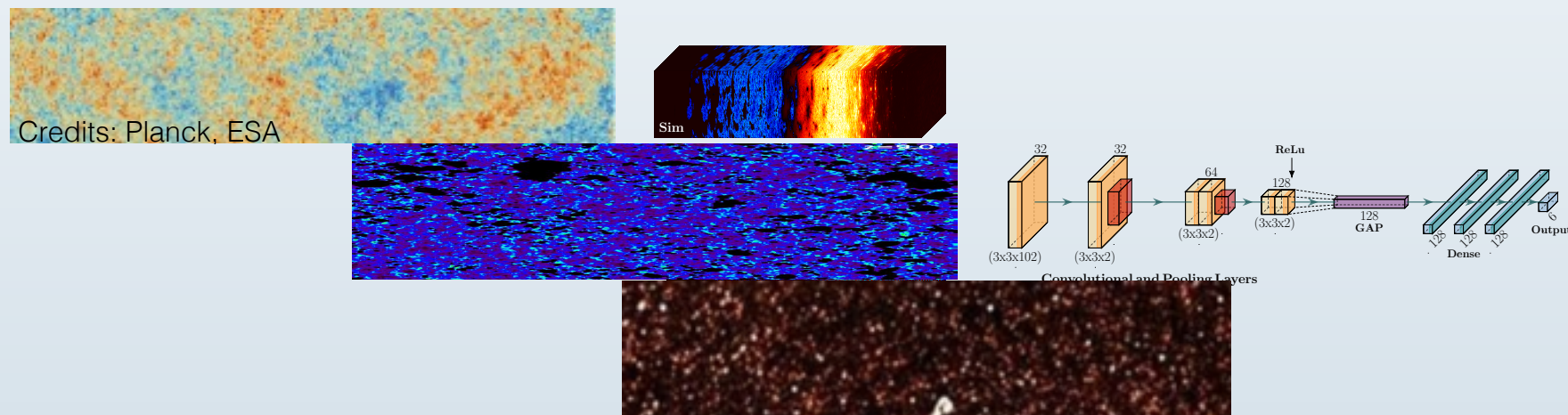


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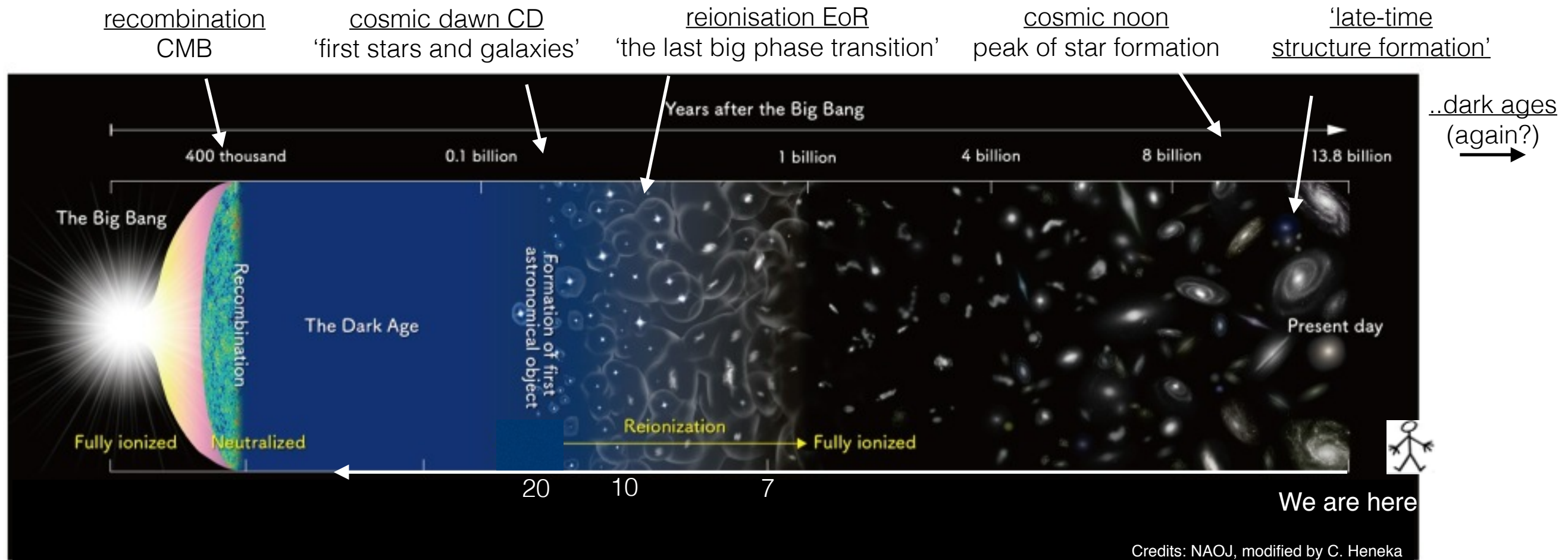
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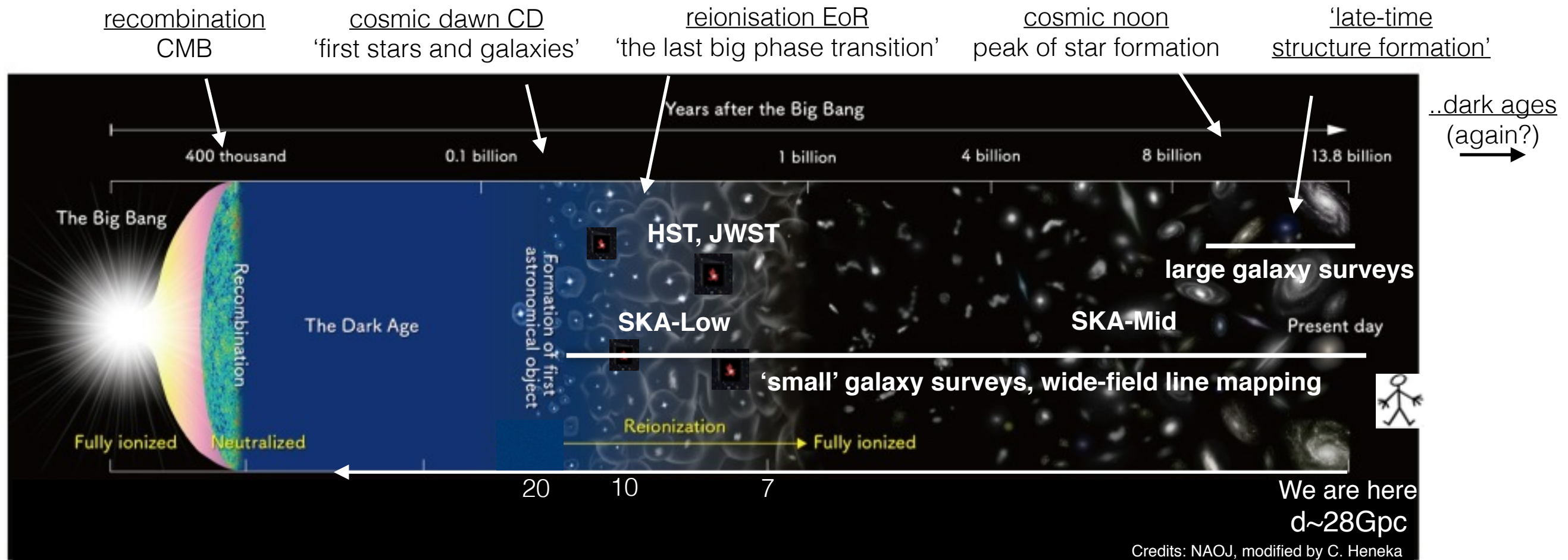


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Where we stand: The cosmic timeline



Where we stand: Astronomical surveys



Goal:

Test astrophysical processes of galaxy evolution, the intergalactic medium (IGM) as well as cosmological structure formation from the Epoch of Reionisation (EoR) to the present.

Coming decade: push to map up to **80% of the observable Universe**

Why ML/DL for astrophysics and astronomy

One big goal?

Test astrophysical processes of galaxy evolution, the intergalactic medium (IGM) as well as cosmological structure formation from the Epoch of Reionisation (EoR) to the present.

No, really - many goals, ...

... and (types) of data

- imaging
- spectra
- tomography, IFS and IM
- time series

... and instruments



... datarates, scales, signal-to-noise

Datarates: Space typical ~Mbps, SKA TB/s

Scales: Stars to galaxies 3-4 orders, 10^9 - 10^{10} modes
Galaxies (kpc) to large-scale structure 3-4 orders
Large-scale structure to Hubble size 3-4 orders

Signal-to-noise: from many low SN to fewer high SN signals

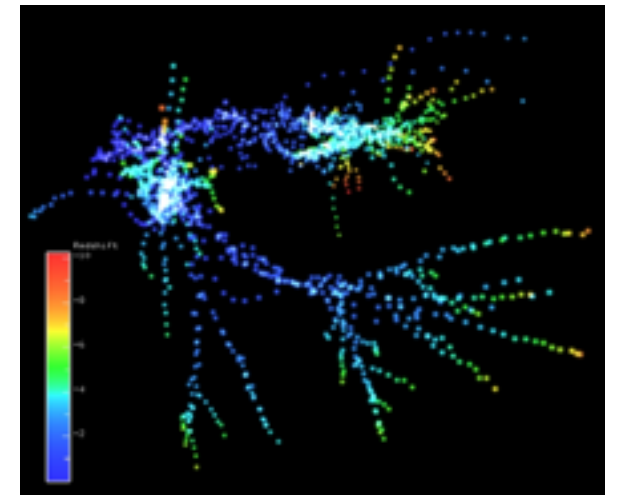
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... and therefore a zoo of applications!

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- classification
- regression, inference
- anomaly detection
- generation, emulation, ...

+ plenty of inverse problems

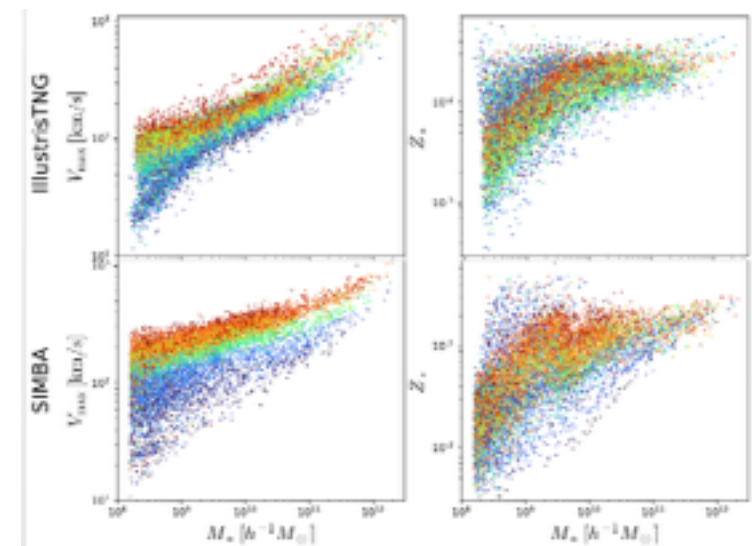
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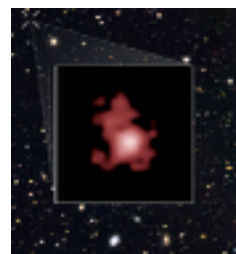
High-dim. correlations



arXiv:2201.02202

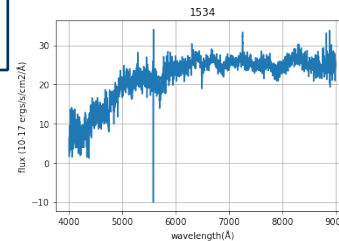
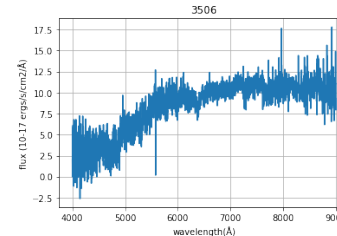


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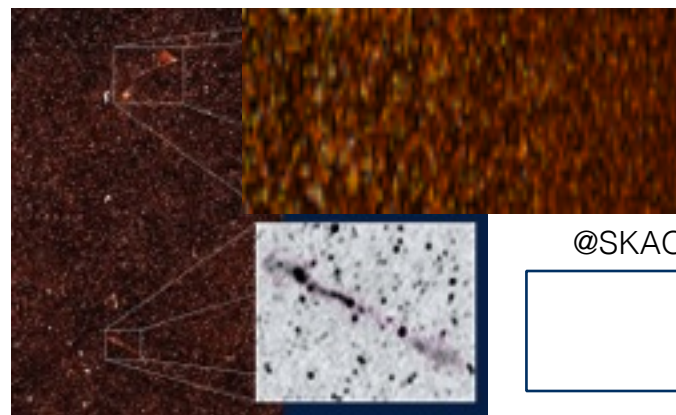


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Representation learning



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Non-linear, non-Gaussian

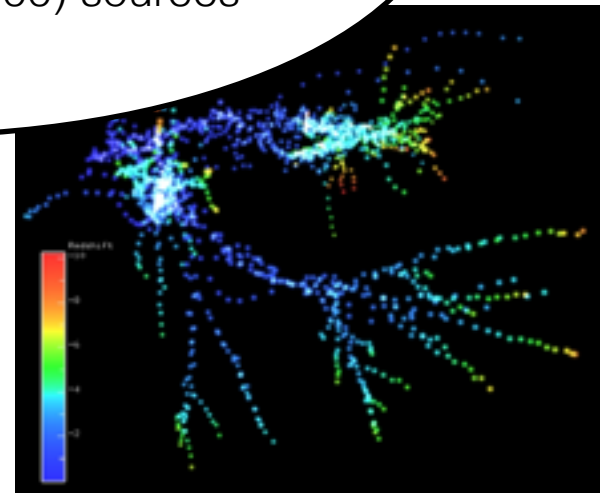
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Examples:
few sec: Classification 40.000 spectra
few sec: 7-parameter regression O(100)MB cube
few sec: detection, segmentation & flux measurement on O(100) sources



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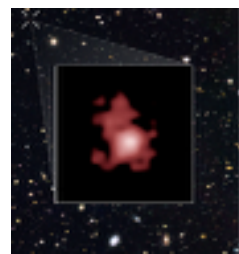
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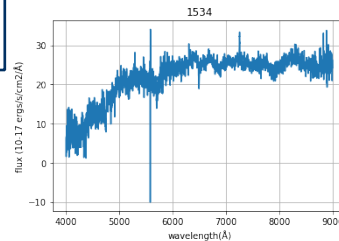
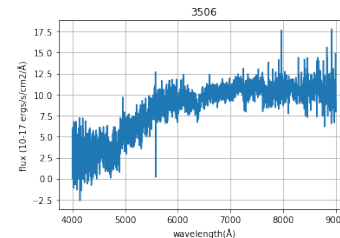


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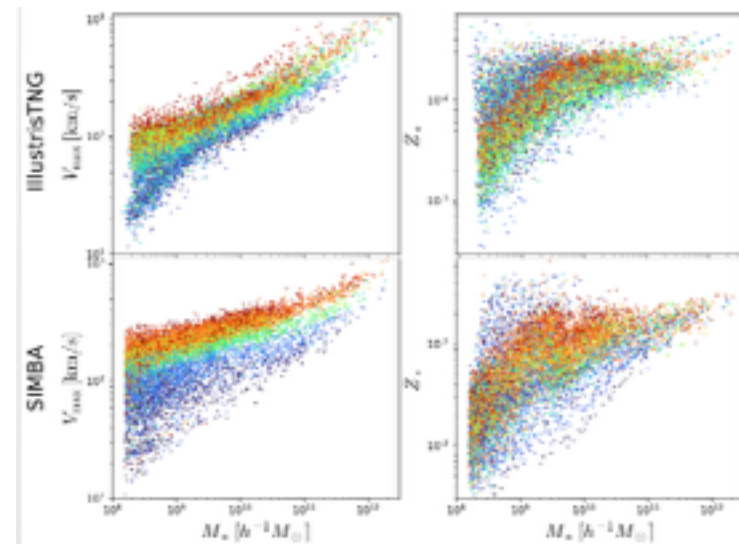
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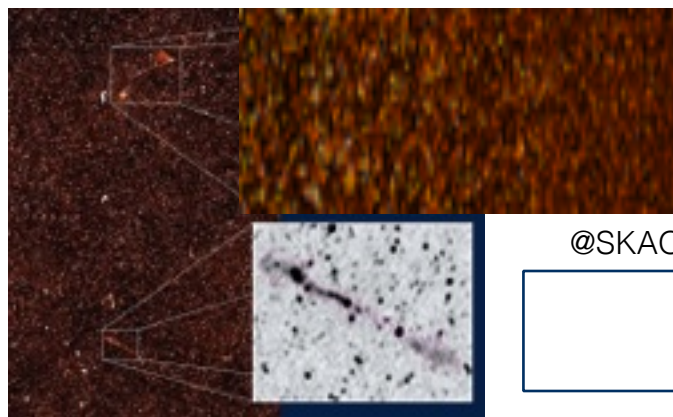


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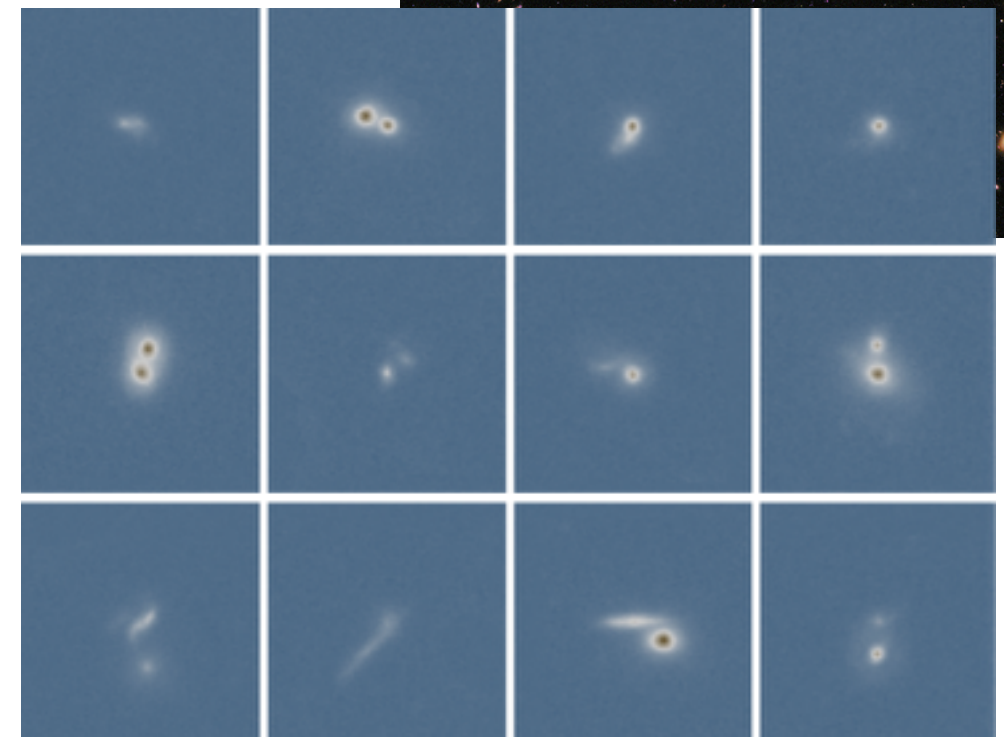
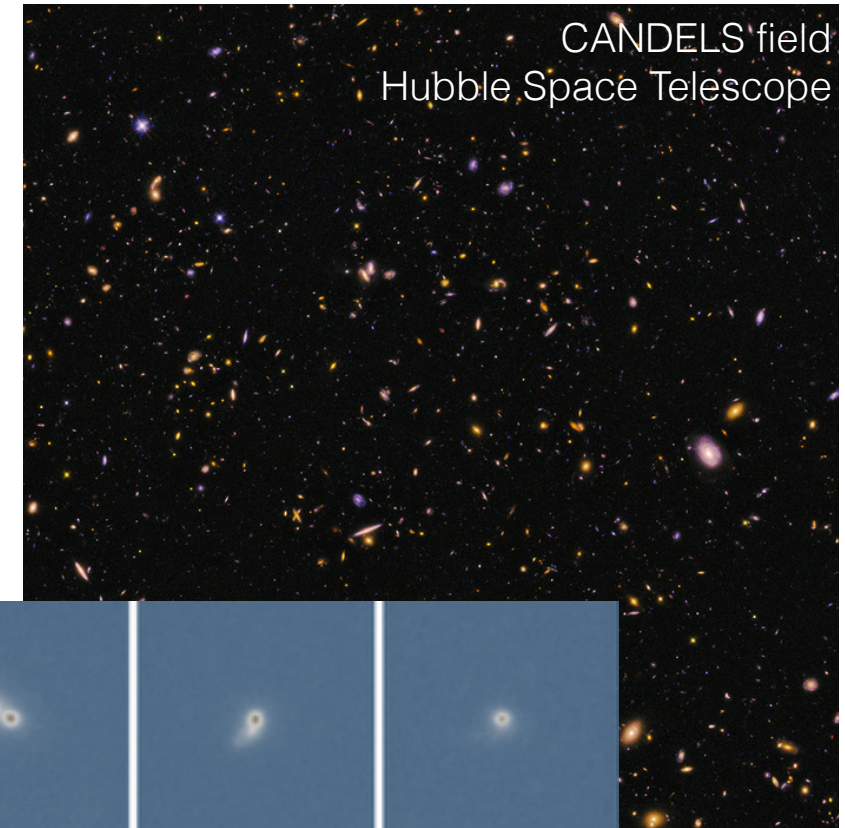
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1) The deblending problem of biased photometry

Goal: ‘Good’ photometry for surveys with high blended fraction (expected), e.g. SDSS, LSST and Euclid

Add-on: Galaxy segmentation and morphology / shape (also prior for ‘classic’ methods)

Challenge: Galaxies are ‘transparent’, separating flux in overlapping regions is difficult

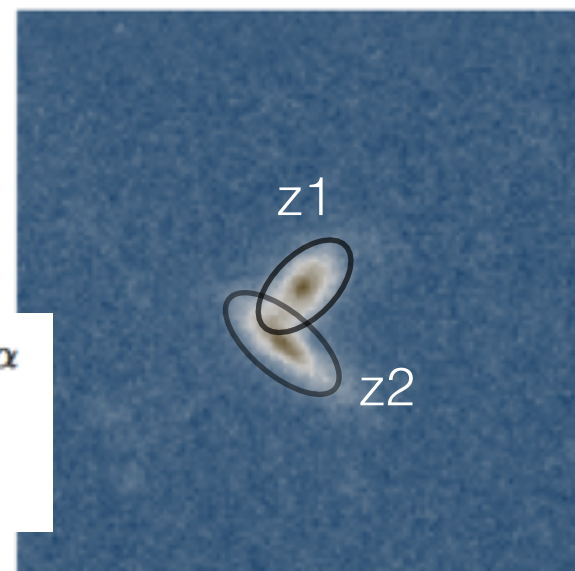


‘Classic’:

Fit ellipse(s)
and profile(s)

e.g. Einasto (‘65):

$$\frac{d \log(\rho)}{d \log(r)} = -2 \left(\frac{r}{r_s} \right)^\alpha$$



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Credit: Euclid, ESA

Goal:

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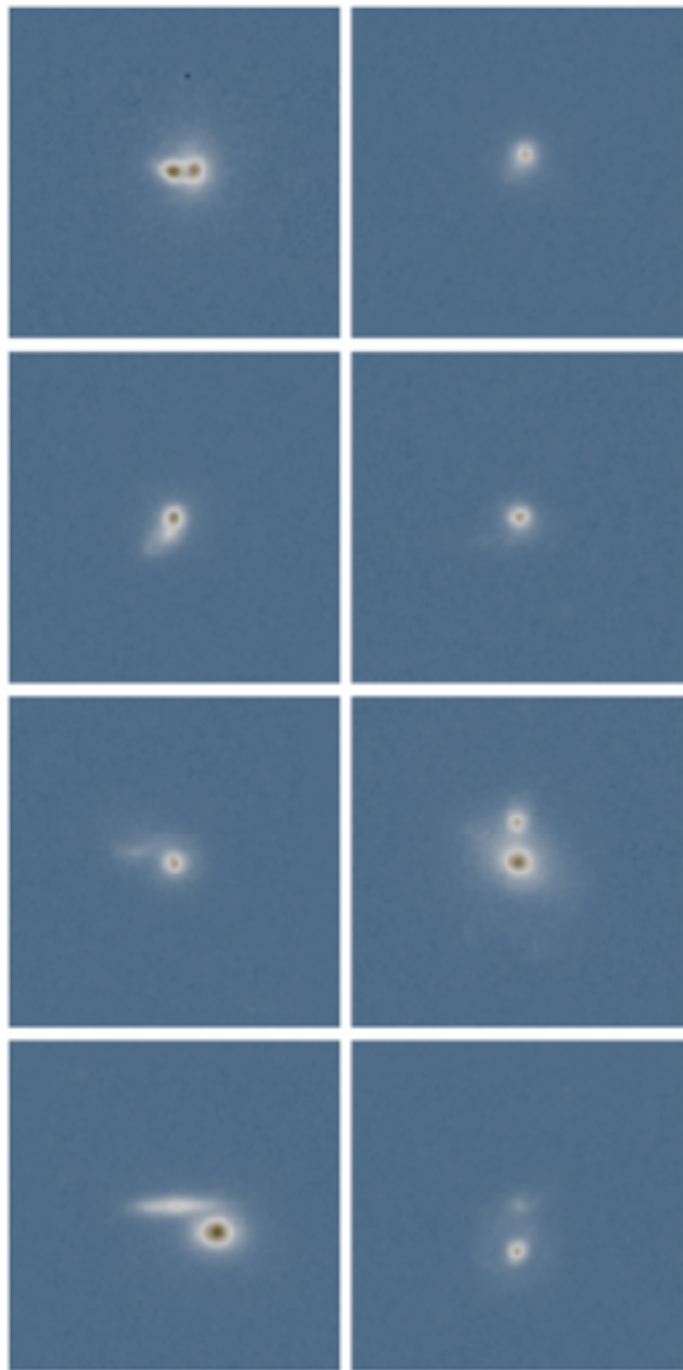
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COIN -
Cosmostatistics Initiative
A worldwide endeavour to create an interdisciplinary community around data-driven problems in Astronomy

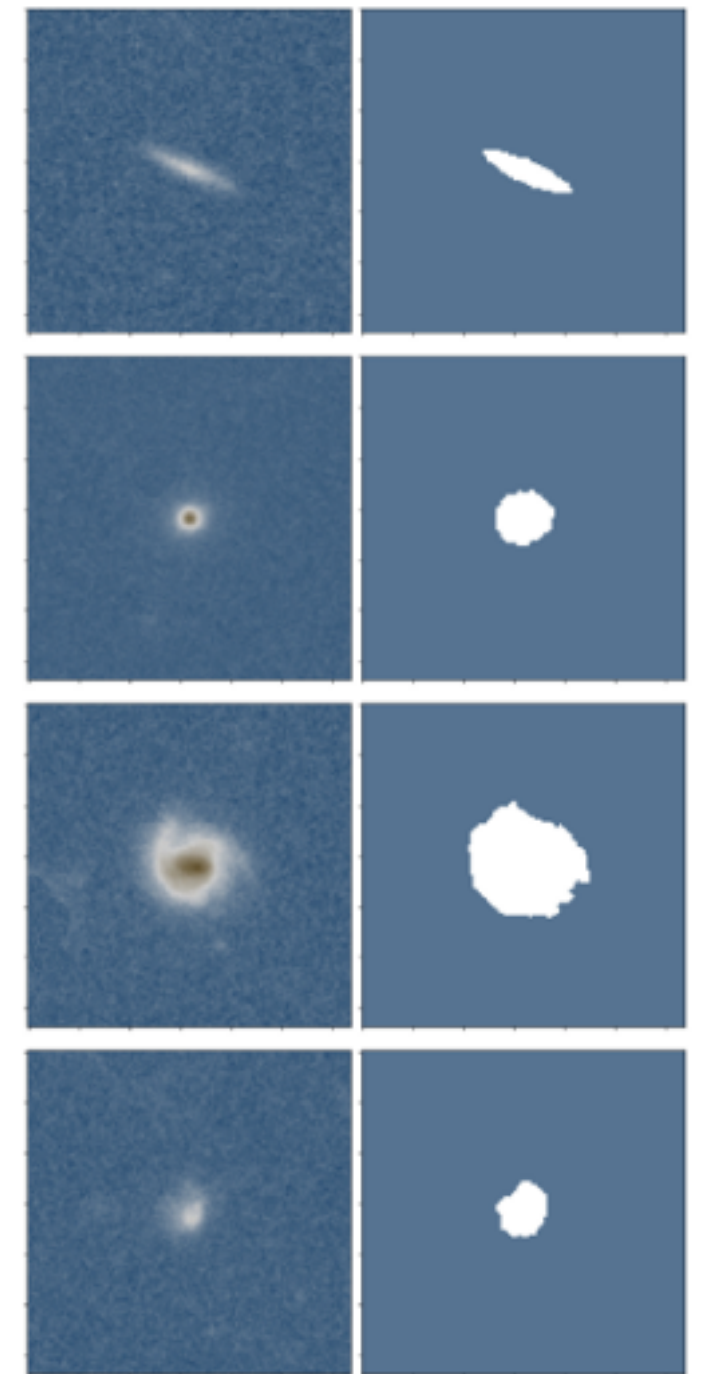
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Get the correct photometry

Derive masks

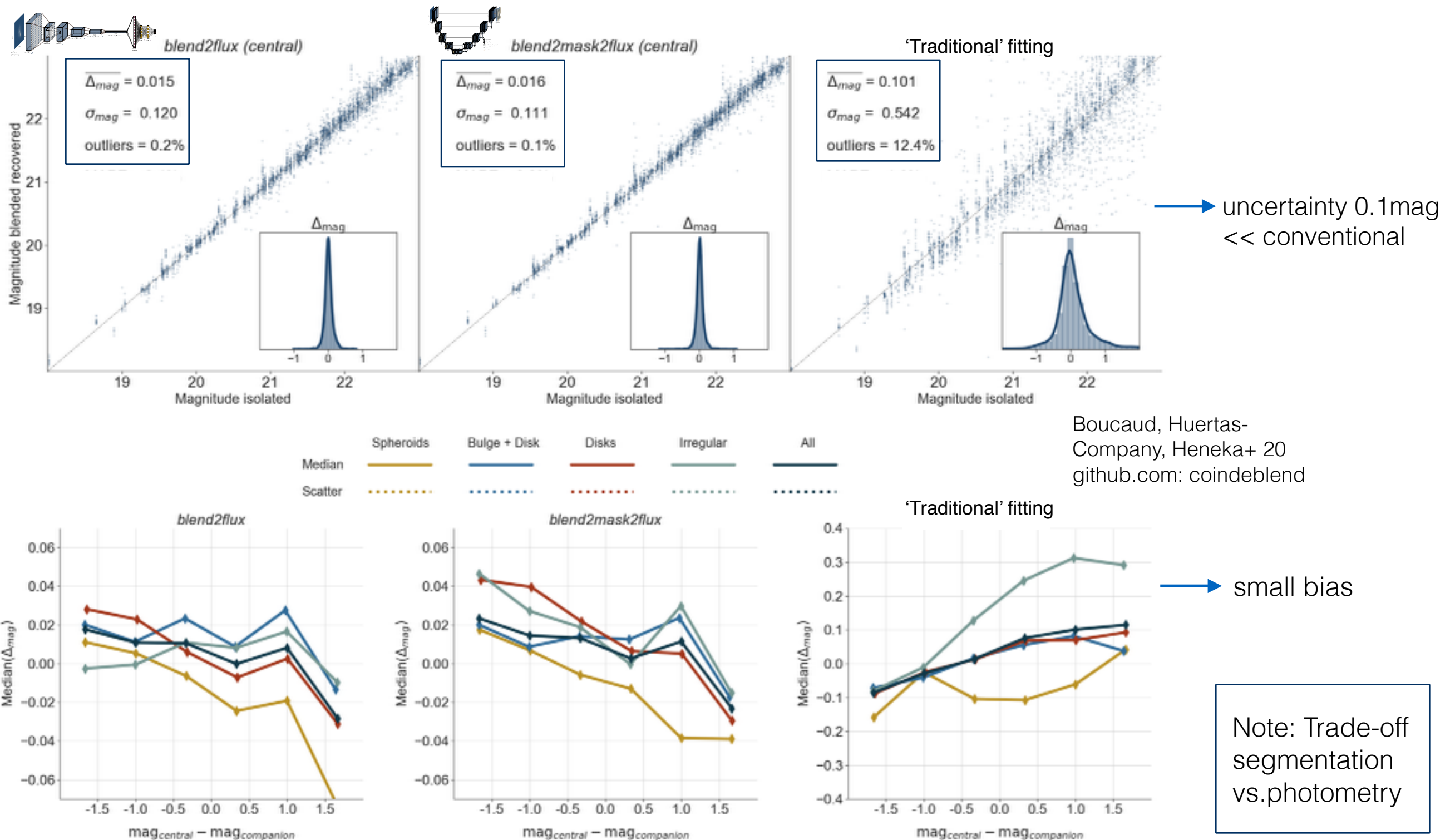
..and do so bias-free



Boucaud, Huertas-Company, Heneka+ 20

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1) The deblending problem of biased photometry



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2) Detection & regression for tomography

The Square Kilometre Array (SKA) - in one slide

2) Detection & regression for tomography

SKA in numbers

- Currently 16 member countries, >100 member organisations
- Routine science observations are expected to start in the late 2020s
- Consists of thousands of dishes and up to 1 million antennas, >1km² collecting area
- Expected data rate in full operation: 1 TB/s



SKA-LOW

SKA-MID

Credits: SKAO

SKA1-mid

the SKA's mid-frequency instrument



Location:
South Africa



Frequency range:

350 MHz
to
15.3 GHz

with a goal of 24 GHz



197 dishes

(including 64 MeerKAT dishes)



Maximum baseline:
150km

SKA1-low

the SKA's low-frequency instrument



Location: Australia



Frequency range:

50 MHz
to
350 MHz



~131,000

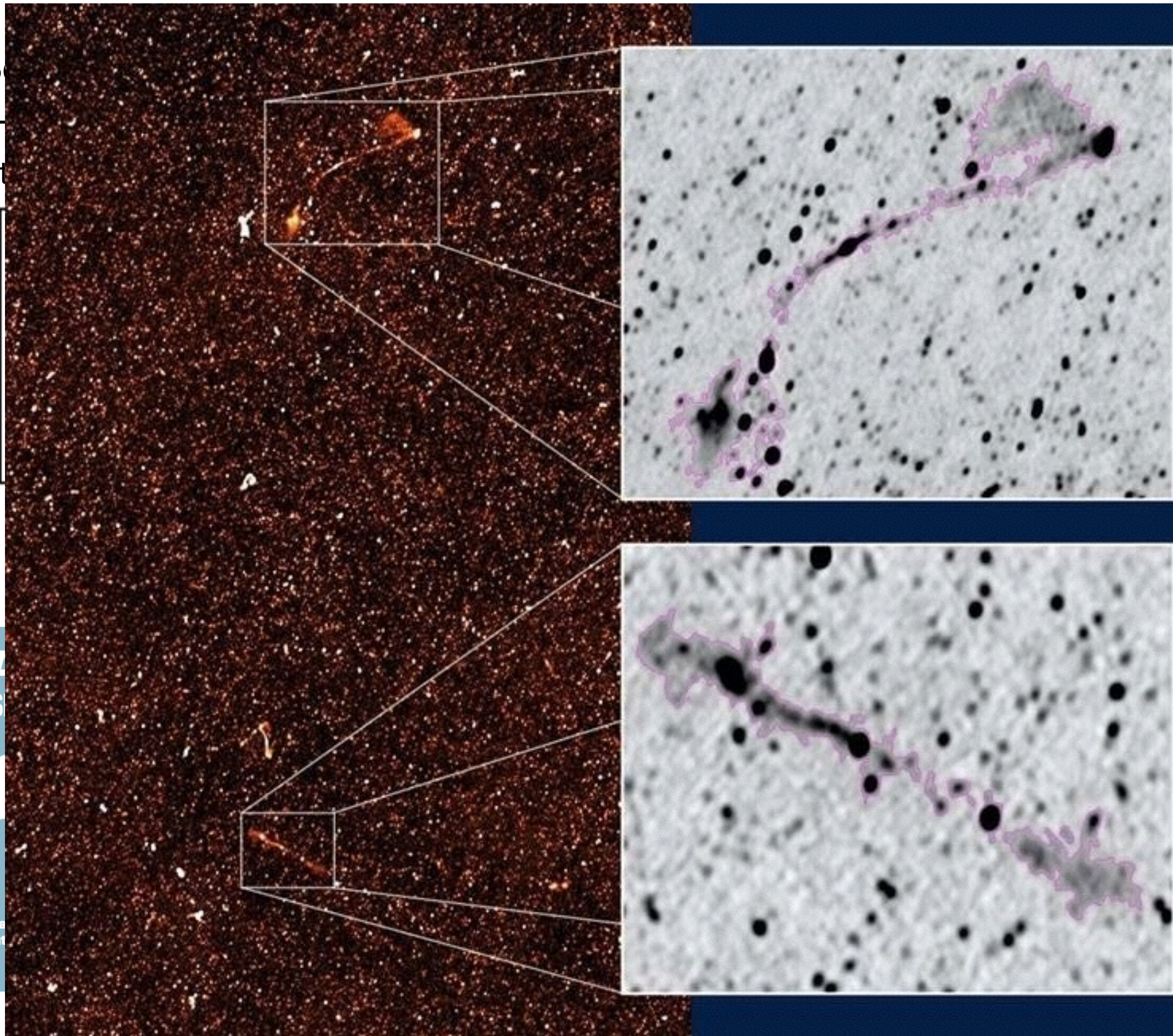
antennas spread between
512 stations



Maximum baseline:
~65km

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2) Detection & regression for tomography

Source finding

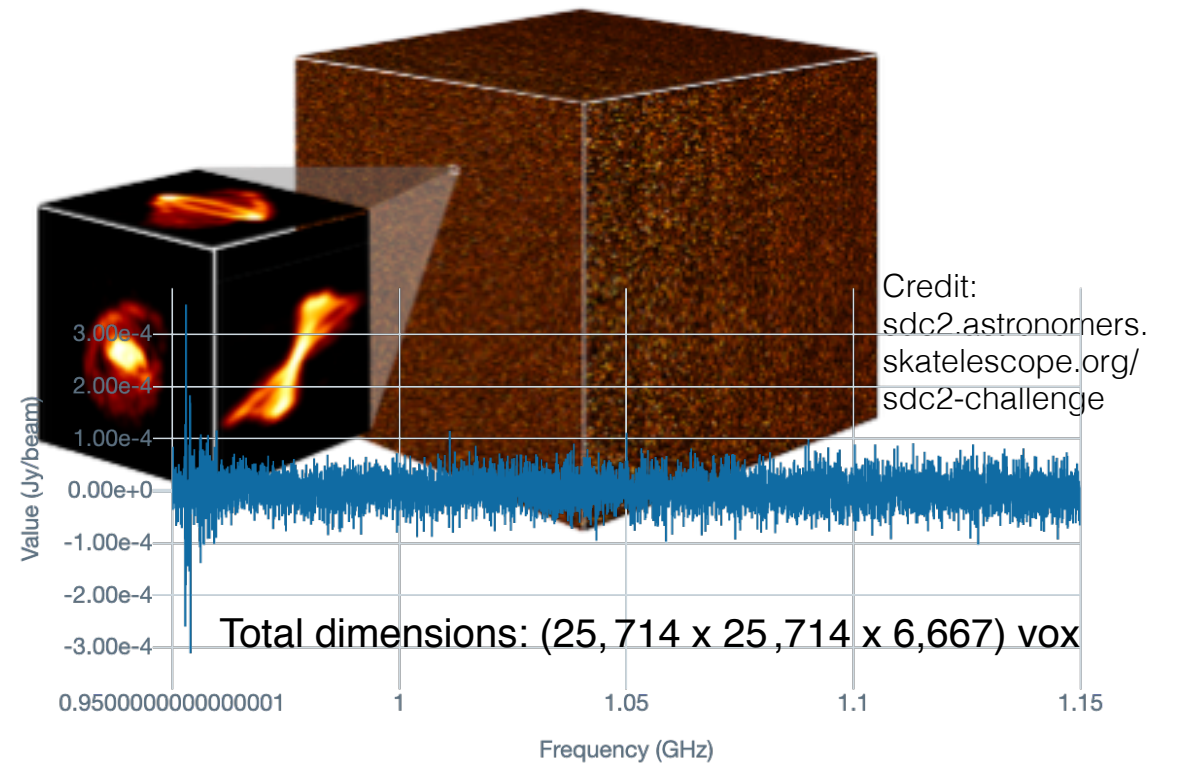
Location in RA, Dec,
central frequency (Hz)

Characterisation

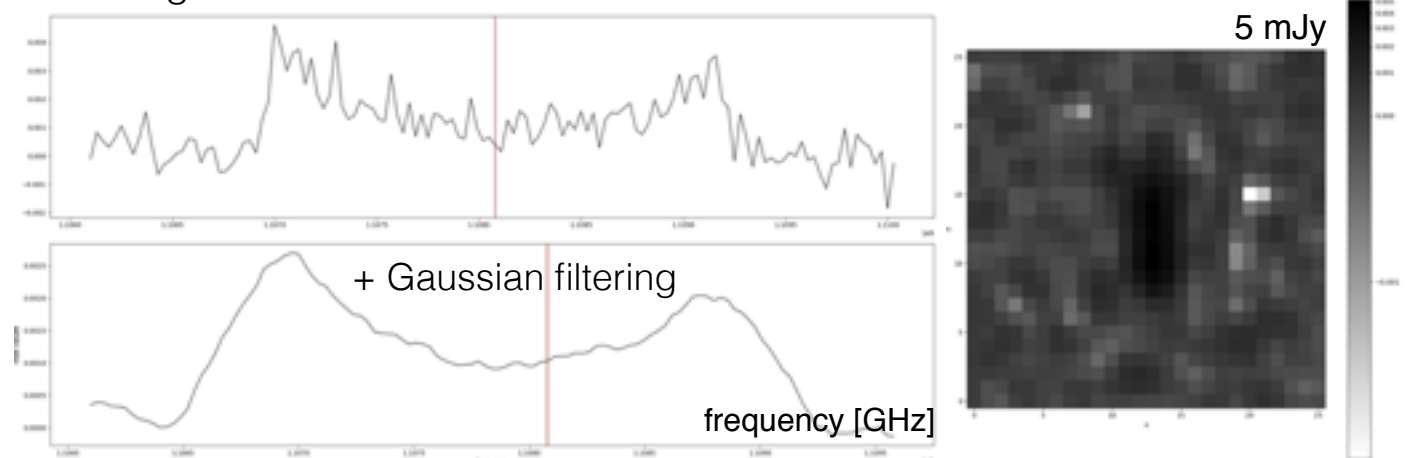
- Integrated line flux (Jy Hz)
- Line width (km/s)
- HI major axis diameter (arcsec)
- Position angle (degrees)
- Inclination angle (degrees)

The challenging HI sources:

- **low S/N**
- **small spatial size**
- **systematics**



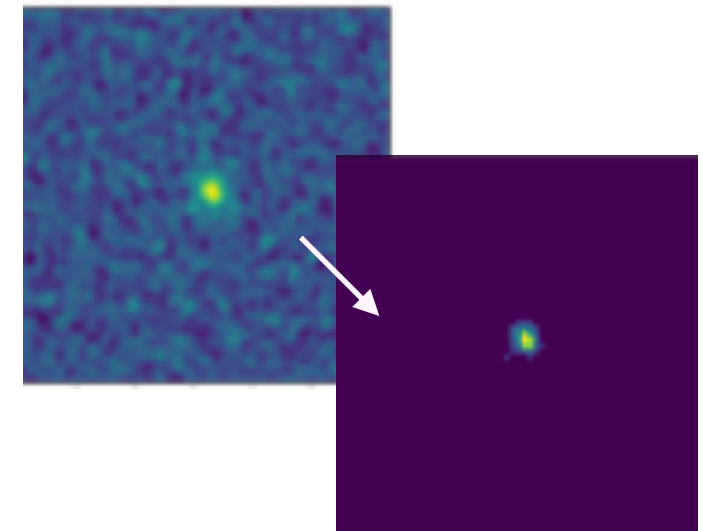
The brightest HI source



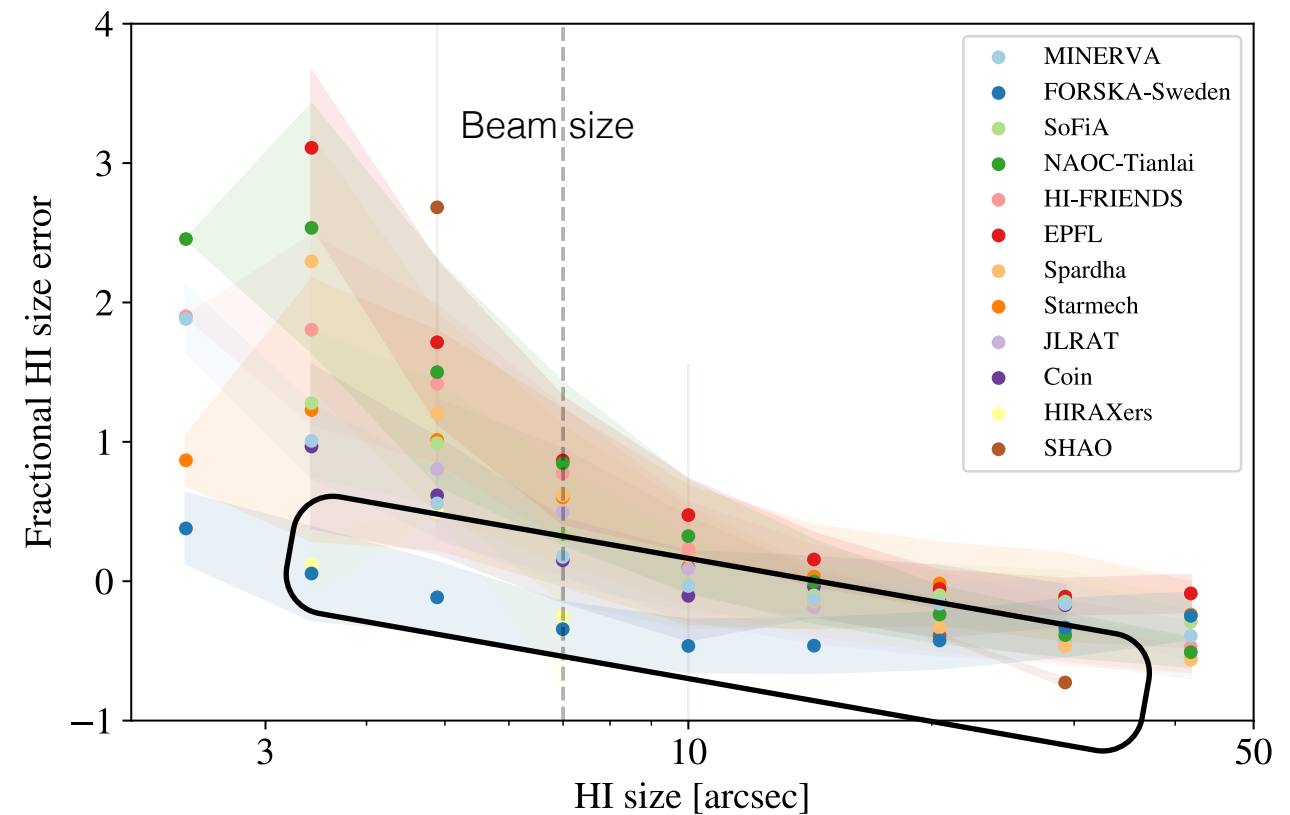
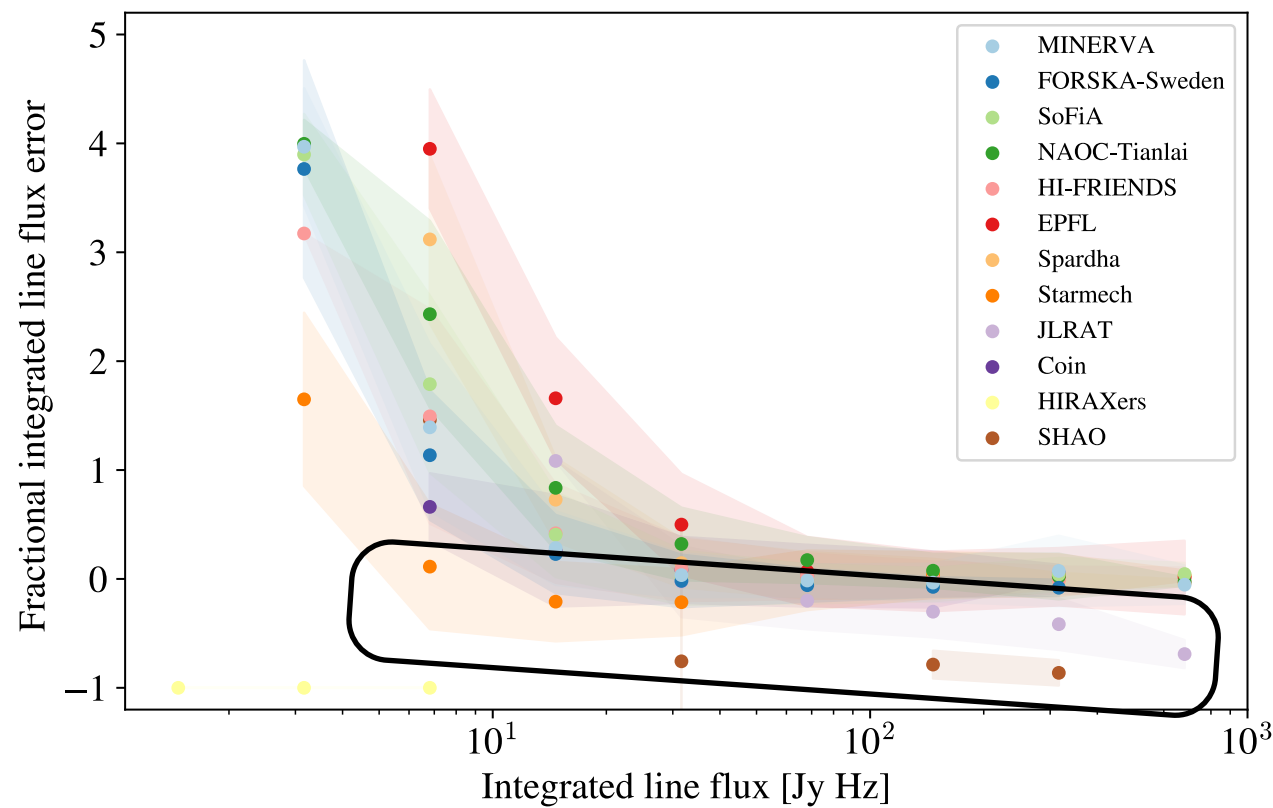
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2) Detection & regression for tomography

- 3D better than stitching of 2D + 1D
- High-fidelity 3D reconstructions
- **Good prior for characterisation tasks via nets:**



Hartley+23, arXiv:2303.07943



→ Recovery across wide range in HI flux and size
Pushing to low S/N recovery came at a cost (FPs)

Take-aways:

- **Choice of training set**
(partly) self-supervised
- Multi-step and/or ensemble decision

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3) Inference when faced with intractable likelihoods

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SKA-LOW

SKA-MID

Tomographic surveys of the large-scale structure:

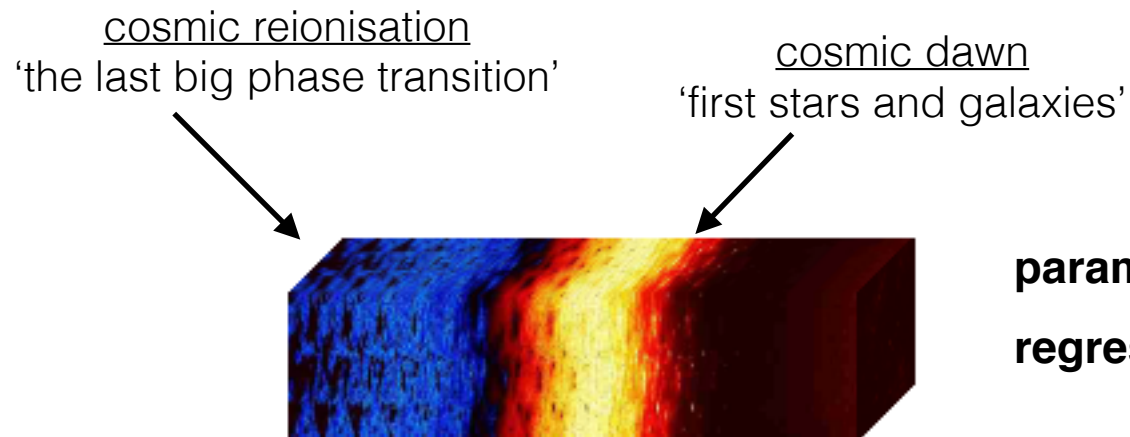
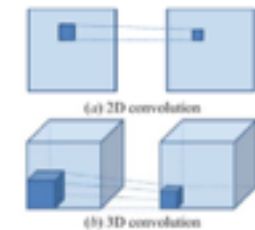
MCMC not feasible anymore
Covariance intractable

Various Options:

- Slicing and treatment with 2D CNN as image → 'standard' **2D CNN**, residual (skip connections) **ResNet**
- Time series (frequency) of co-eval images → **LSTM** network
- Full 3D convolution → 3D CNN:

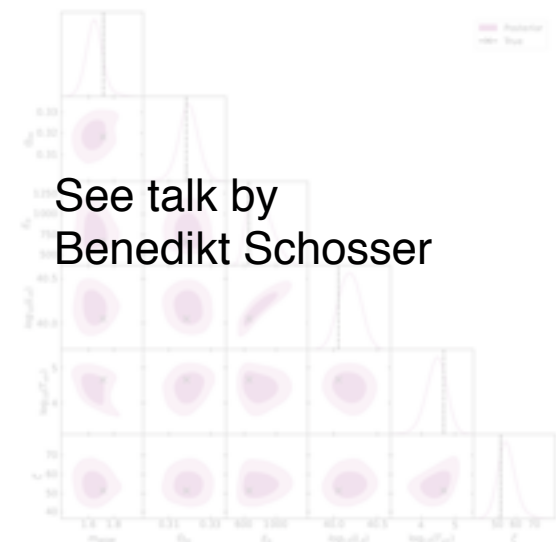
[see e.g. Prelogovic+
arXiv: 2107.00018,
Gillet+2019]

Moving from **2D to full 3D convolution**



parameter
regression ?

likelihood inference



See talk by
Benedikt Schosser

3D-21cmPIE-Net



Neutsch, Heneka, Brüggen
MNRAS (2022)
arXiv:2201.07587

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4) On-the-fly classification of the unexpected (spectra)

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4) On-the-fly classification of the unexpected (spectra)

- 5-year survey
- wide-field, fibre-fed, optical spectroscopy
- on ESO's 4-m-class telescope VISTA
- 2.5-degree diameter field-of-view, 2436 fibres
- HRS R \approx 18000 – 21000, LRS R \approx 4000 – 7500
- 20mio. (LRS), 3mio. (HRS) sources



<https://www.4most.eu> Credit: ESO

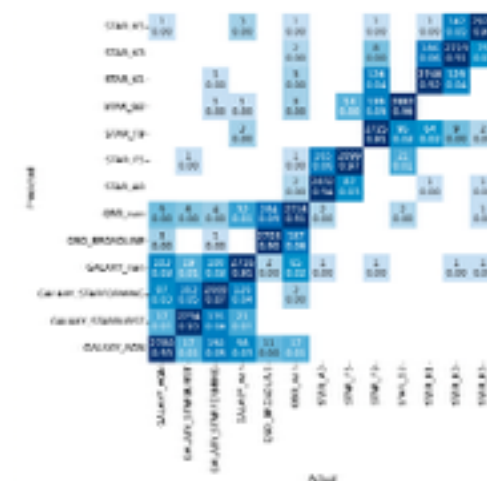
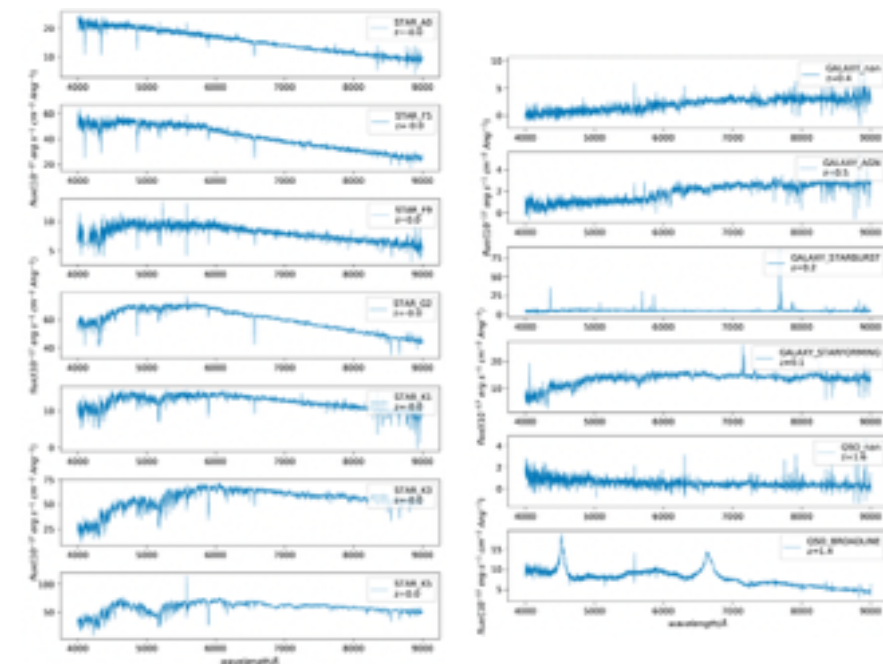
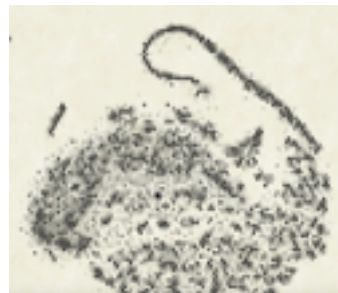
Goal: Data-driven classification layer between L1 and L2 pipelines

- Galactic & extragalactic source classification

→ Probabilistic multiclassifier

- Feedback on a) targets, b) 'unknown' class

Currently set-up:
 4MOST explorer t-SNE
 (Gregor Traven, Gal Matijevic)
 arXiv: 1612.02242
 VAE network in testing



Benchmark with SDSS spectra:
 Convolutional network variants,
 BNN class uncertainties

@Fucheng Zhong, arXiv:2311.033xx

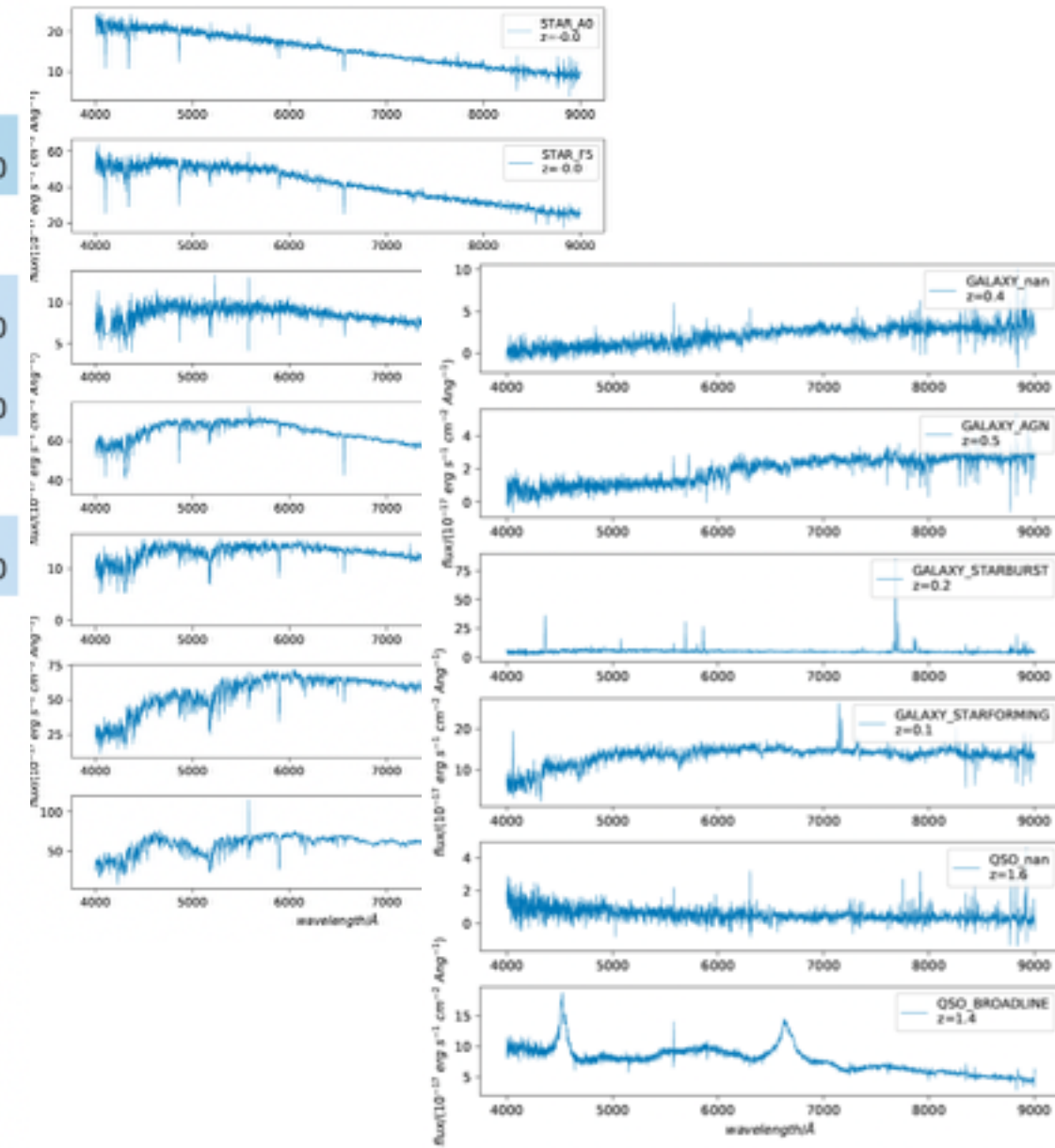
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STAR_K5	1 0.00		3 0.00			1 0.00		1 0.00		1 0.00	142 0.05	2920 0.97	
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STAR_A0						2 0.00	2832 0.94	87 0.03			1 0.00		1 0.00
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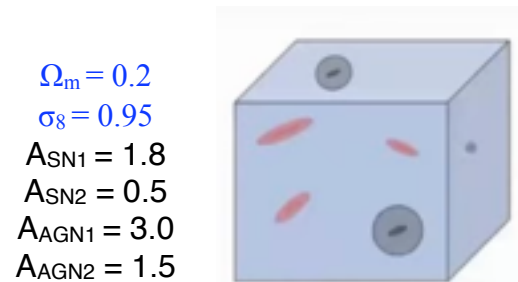
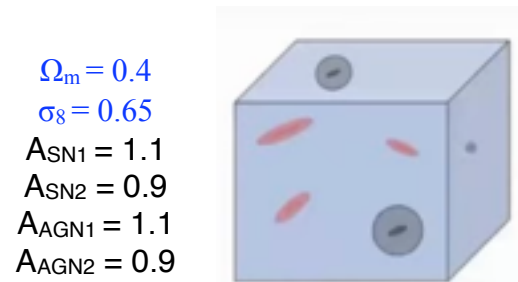
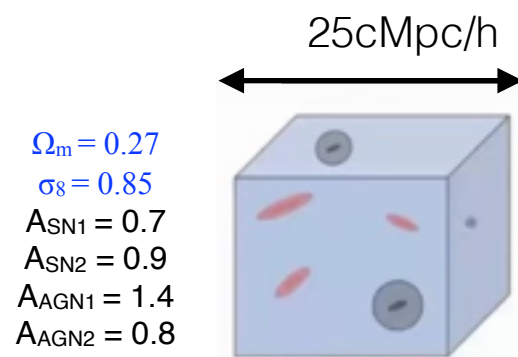
From problems to the unexpected & new

5) Cosmology with one galaxy

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How many galaxies do we need to constrain e.g. Ω_m ?



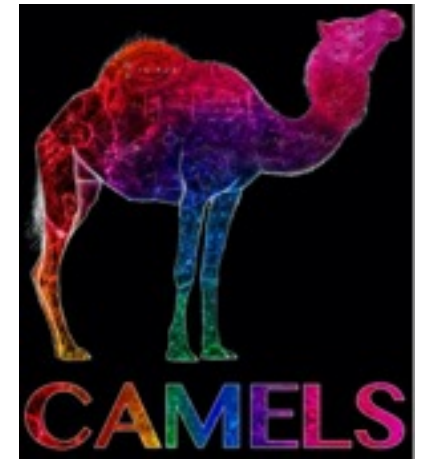
$O(10^4)$ galaxies per cube

random galaxy:

 galaxy properties

- M_*
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- SFR
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- V
- M_{bh}

= Cosmology and Astrophysics with Machine Learning Simulations

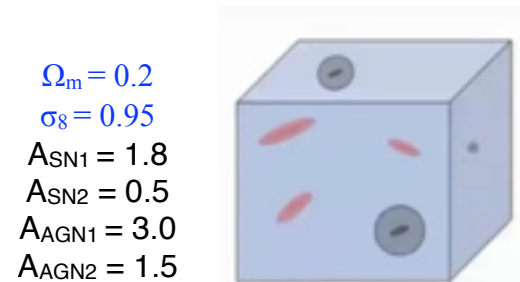
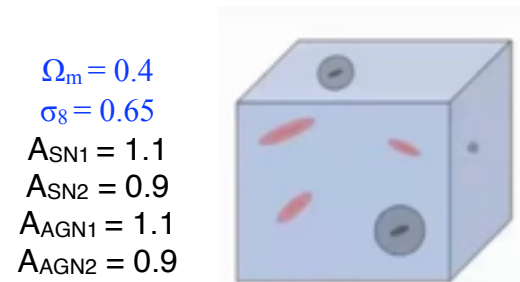
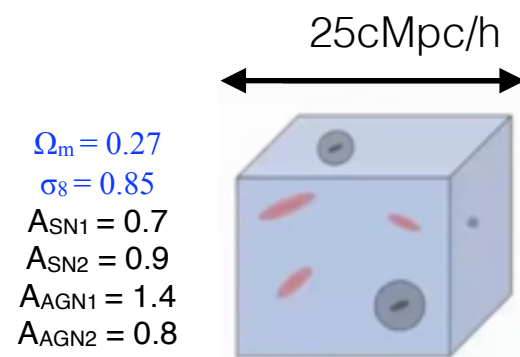


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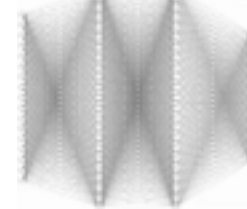


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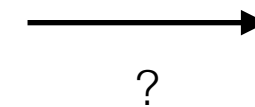
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Moment density networks



arXiv:2011.05991



Ω_m
 $\delta\Omega_m$

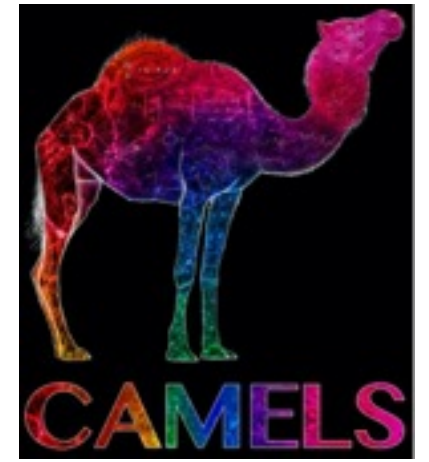
~10% uncertainty



recovery of matter density for very different masses (and environments)
 also: holds for redshifts other than $z=0$

connections on a high dimensional manifold?

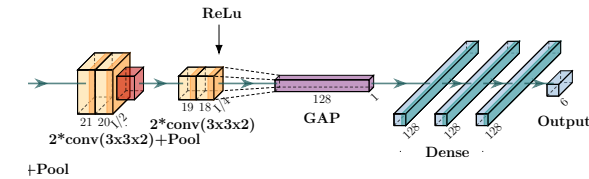
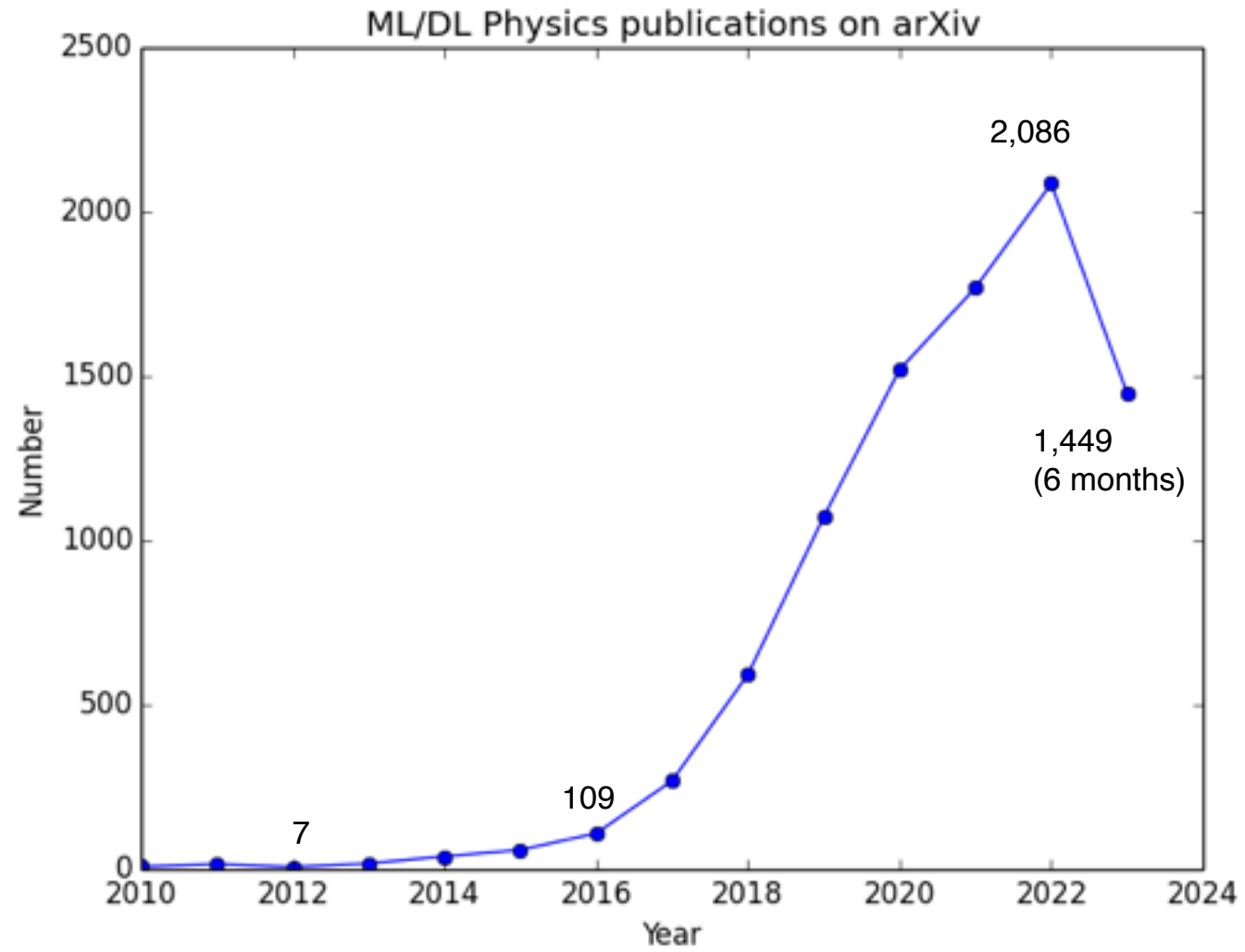
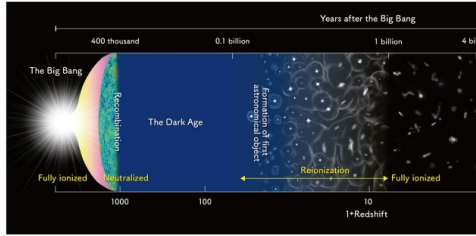
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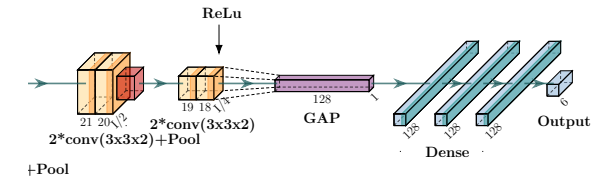
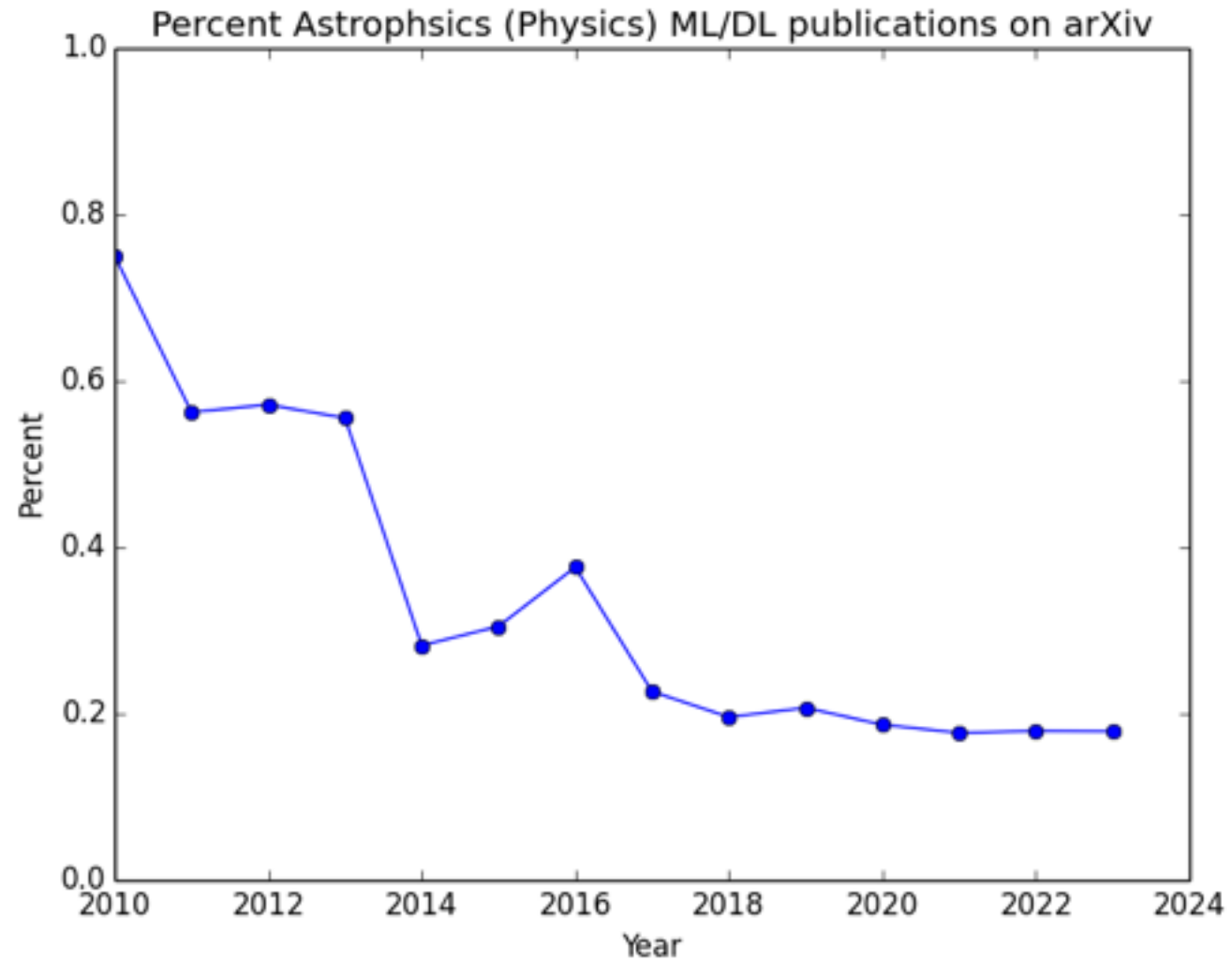
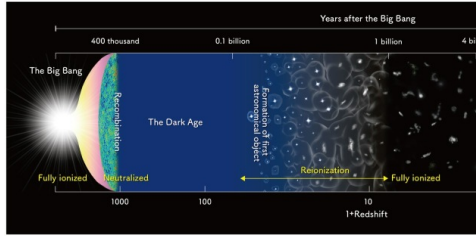
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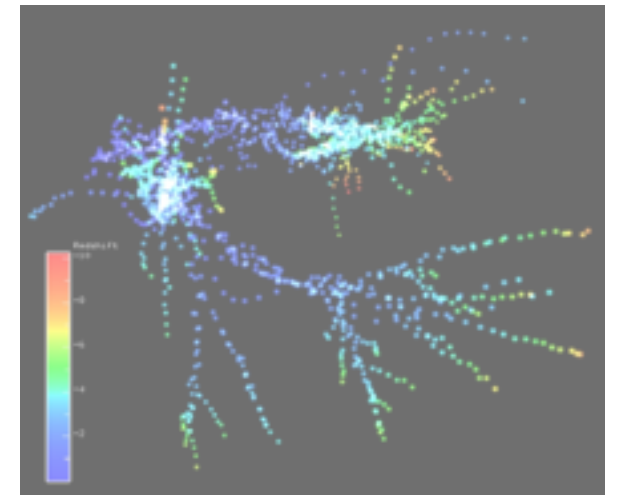
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A zoo of applications and data is waiting for you!

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- generation, emulation, ...

+ plenty of inverse problems

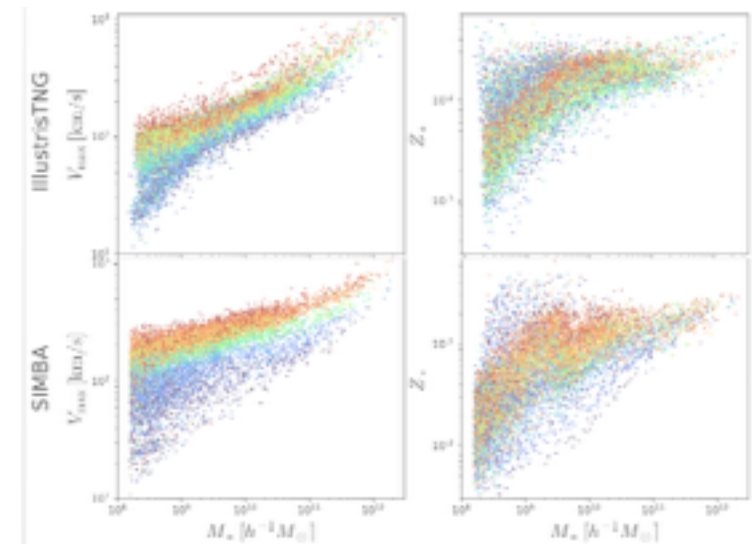
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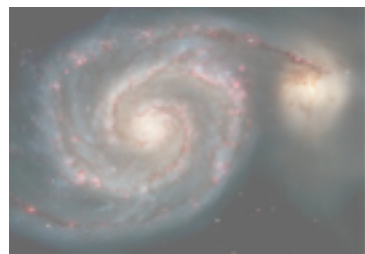
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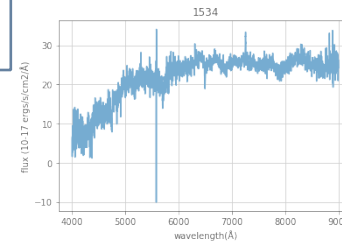
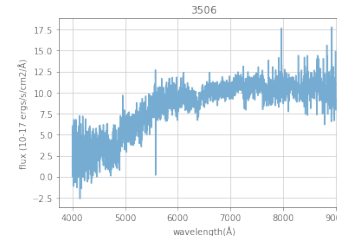


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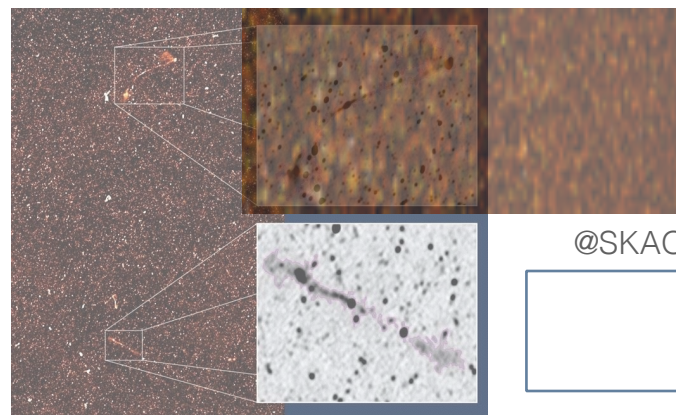


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