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# On the connection between Turbulent Motions and Particle Acceleration in Galaxy Clusters

*Using X-ray surface brightness observations to probe turbulence*

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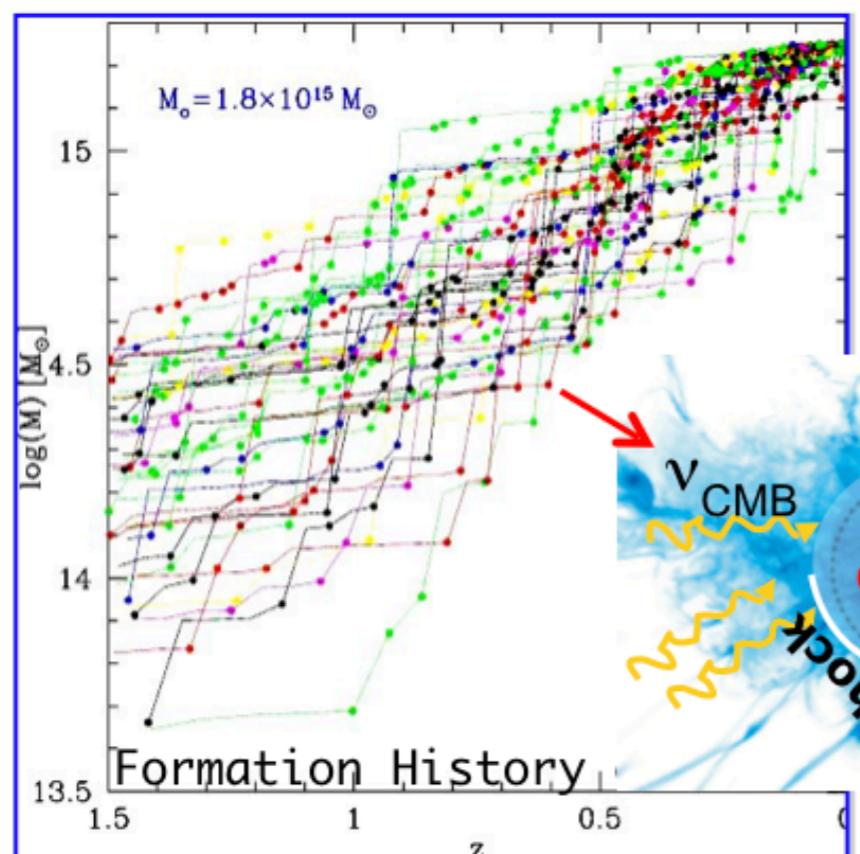
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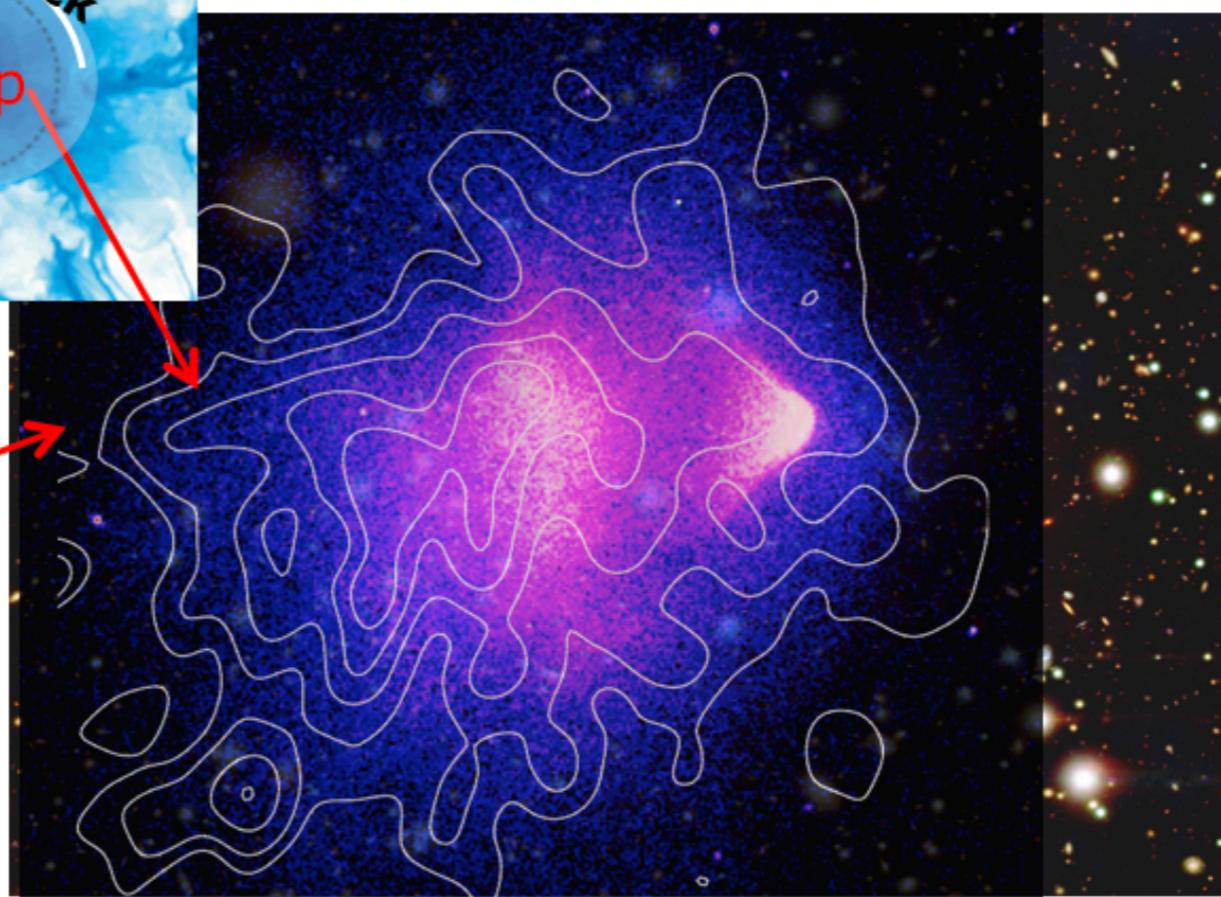
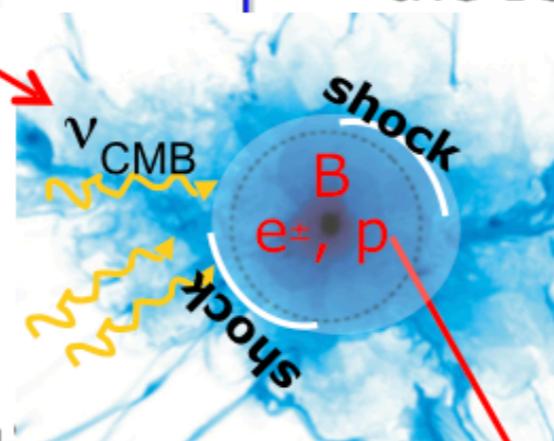
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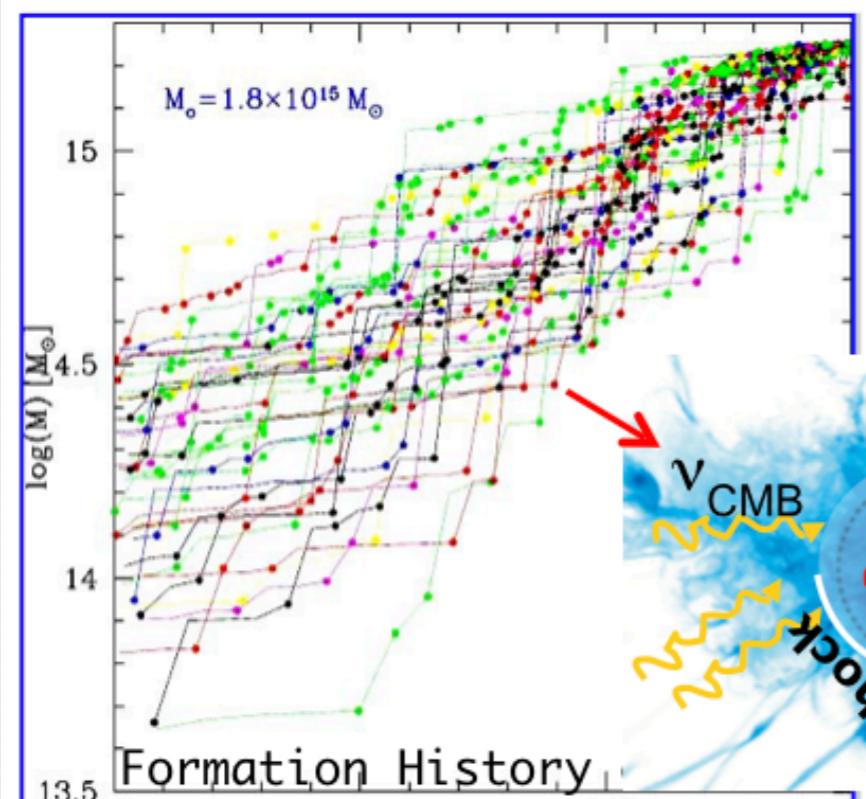
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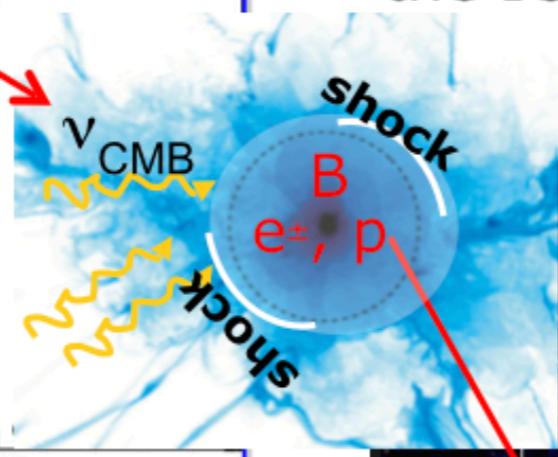
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Can we test this directly? - i.e. are turbulence and GRHs connected?

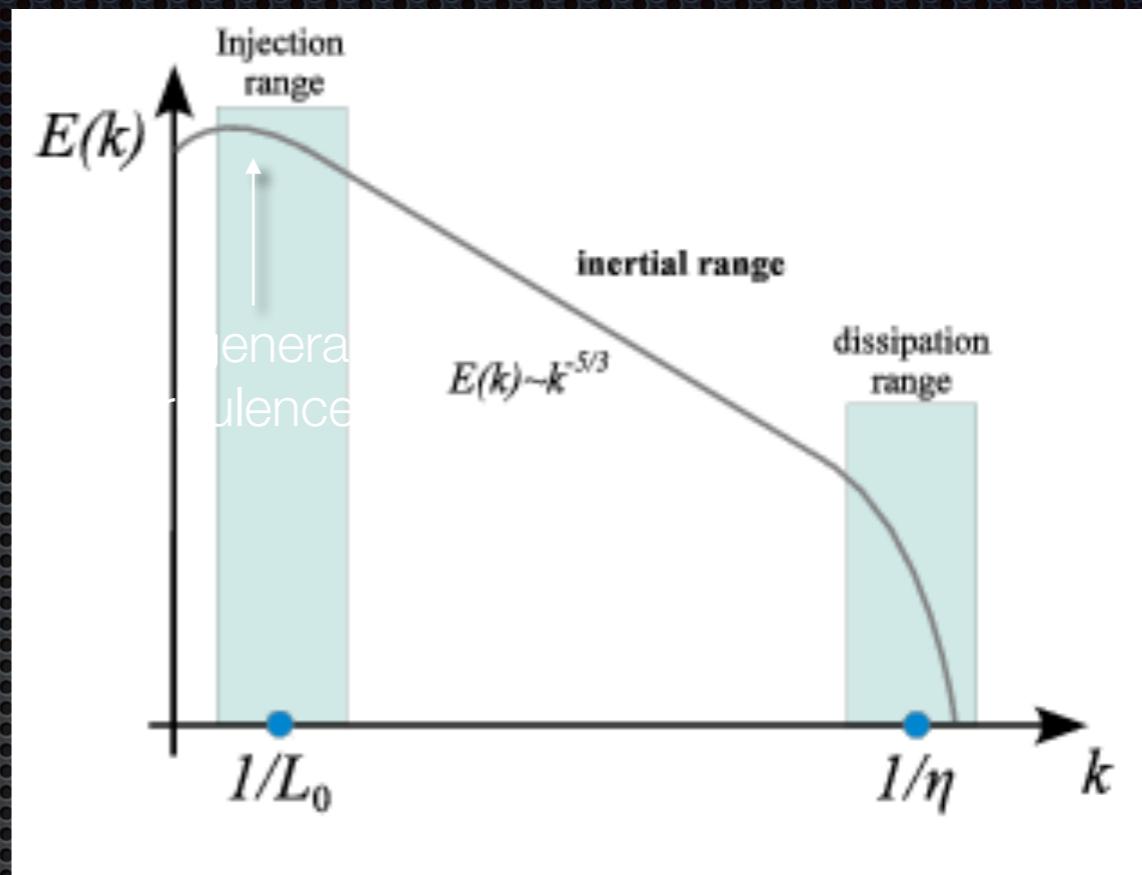
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# Observables

- Radio:  $P_{1.4\text{GHz}}$
- use X-rays to probe ICM:
  - gas density fluctuations passively trace velocity fluctuations in the ICM (☞Irina's talk)
- $M_{\text{turb}} \sim 4A_{\max}$  *Gaspari+2014*
- reproduces Hitomi measurements (☞Irina's talk)
- **IDEA**: extract amplitude,  $A_{\max}$ , of  $\delta\rho/\rho$  at fixed spatial scale for 1 Mpc region ( $k^{-1}=660$  kpc) and correlate with  $P_{1.4\text{GHz}}$

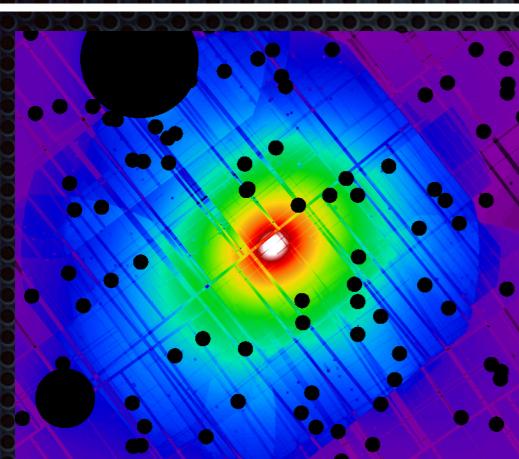
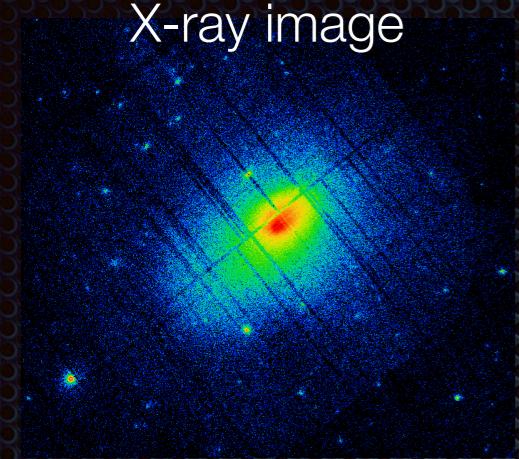


c.f. *Zhuravleva+2015, Arévalo+2016, Hofmann+2016, Khatri & Gaspari 2016*

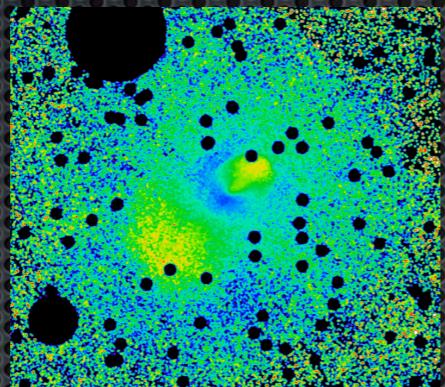
# How to get $A_{\max}$ ?

$\Delta$ -Variance method by Arévalo+2012

X-ray image



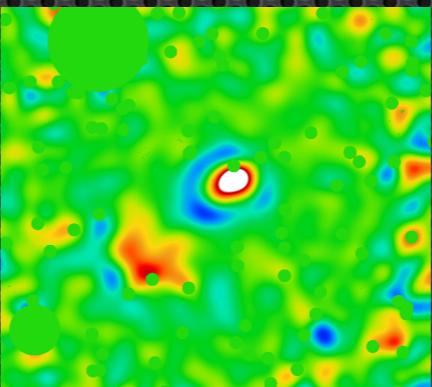
residual image  
(exp. corrected)



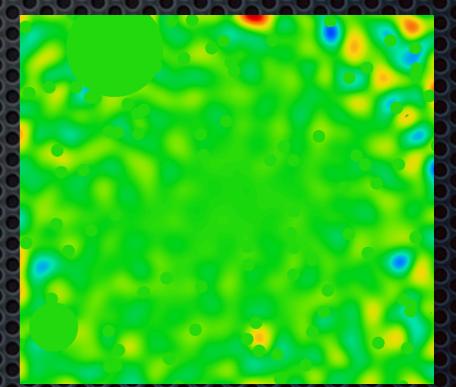
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$$\otimes F(k) = V($$

filtered image  
at scale  $k$



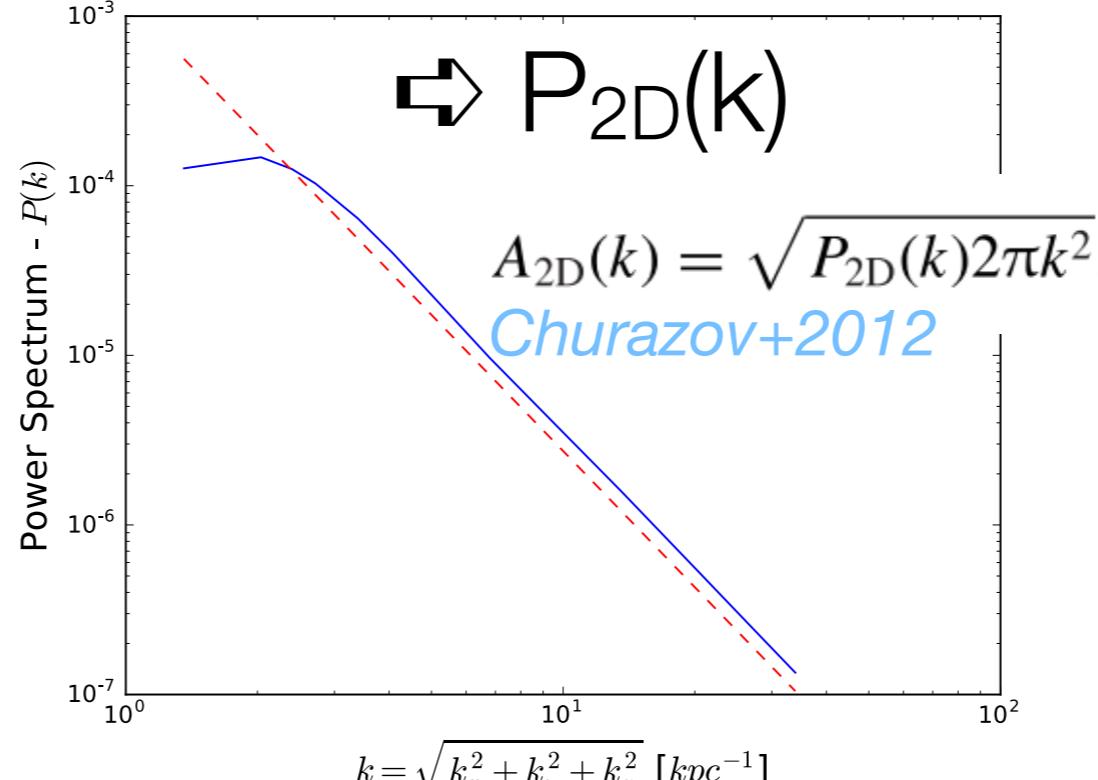
filtered poisson noise  
at scale  $k$



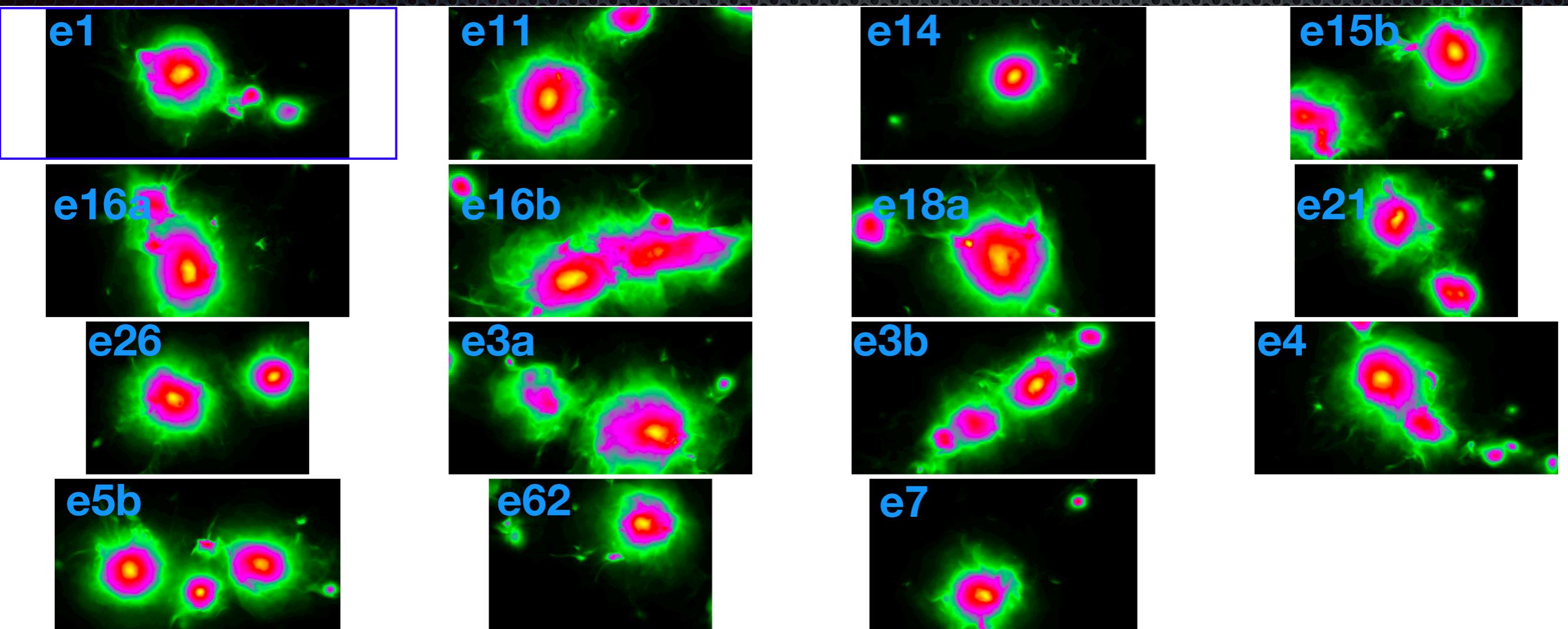
$$\Rightarrow P_{2D}(k)$$

$$A_{2D}(k) = \sqrt{P_{2D}(k)2\pi k^2}.$$

Churazov+2012

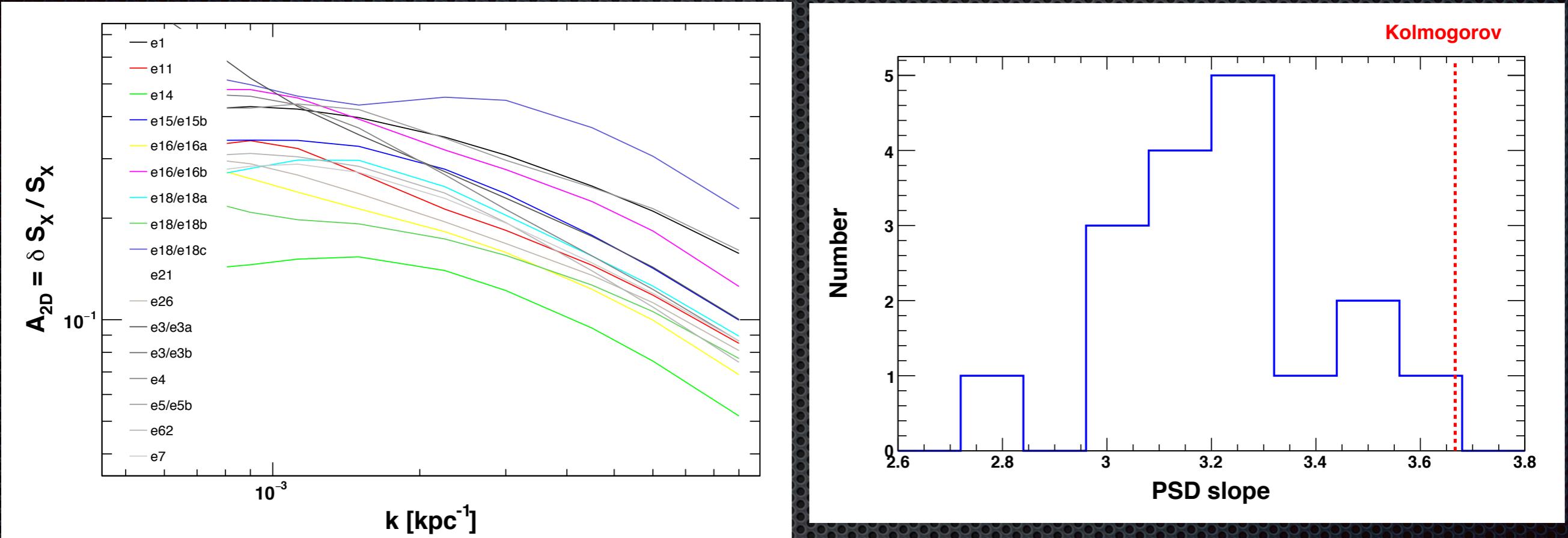


# Validation.



ENZO simulations by Franco, L<sub>x,X</sub>

# Does it work?



Franco's ENZO simulations

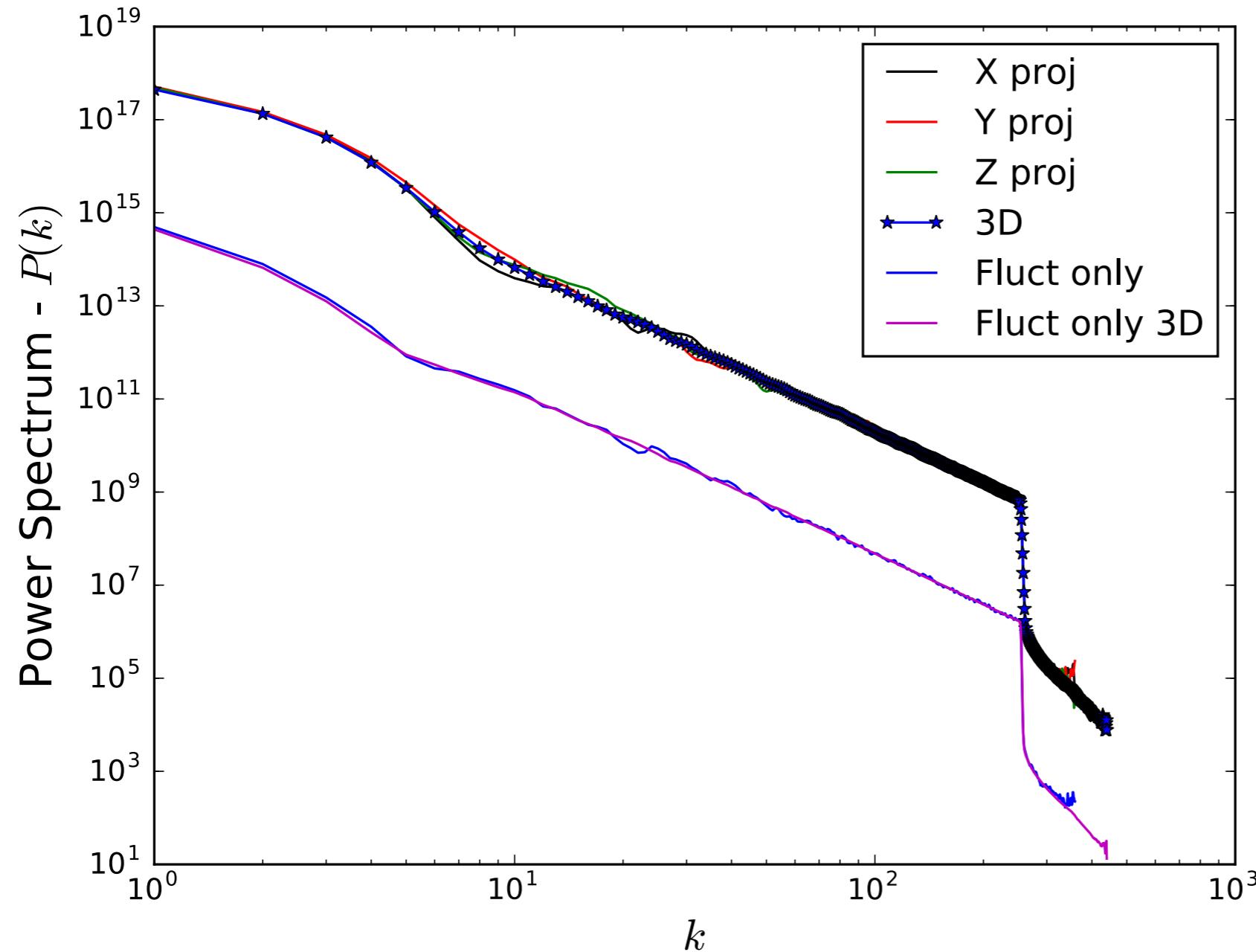
=> normalization varies, but spectral index nearly universal

# 2D → 3D?

$$P_{\text{2D}}(k) \approx 4 P_{\text{3D}}(k) \int |W(k_z)|^2 dk_z$$

*Churazov+2012*

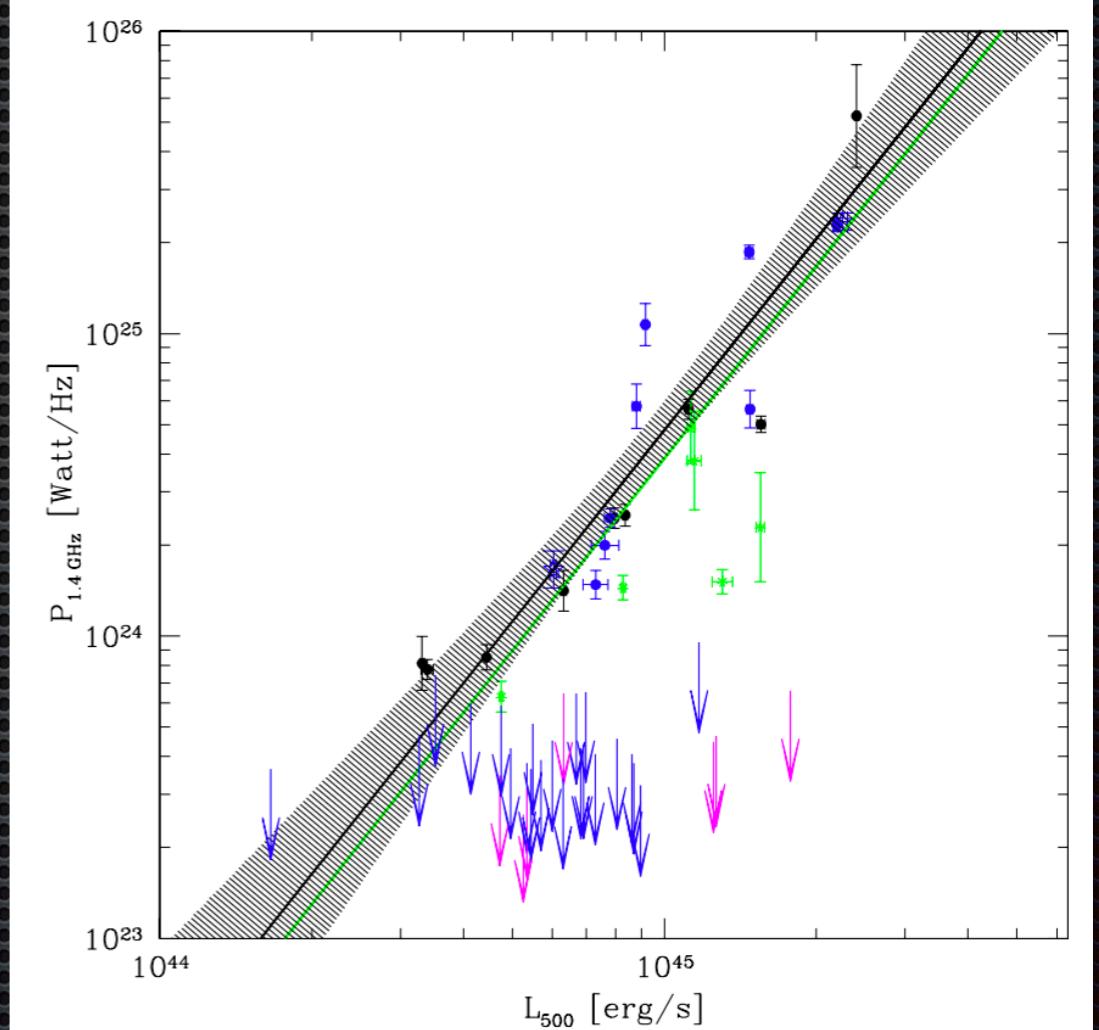
constant,  
compute numerically  
from simulation



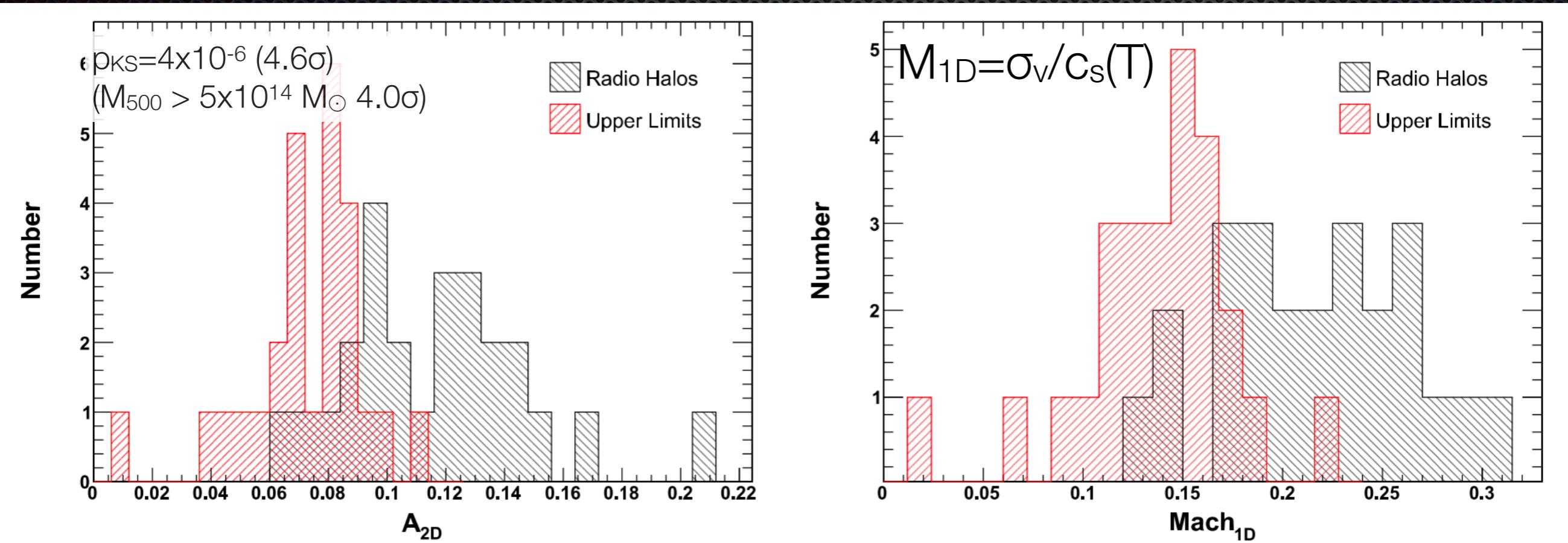
# Sample

- Cassano+2013 sample (GMRT survey from Tiziana + known GRHs)
- archival X-ray data from ROSAT, XMM & Chandra, sub-sample of 51 clusters (25 w/ GRH, 26 w/o)
  - ROSAT:  $z < 0.1$
  - XMM:  $0.1 < z < 0.3$
  - Chandra:  $z > 0.3$
- use 0.5 - 2 keV band to only capture density fluctuations

Cassano+2013

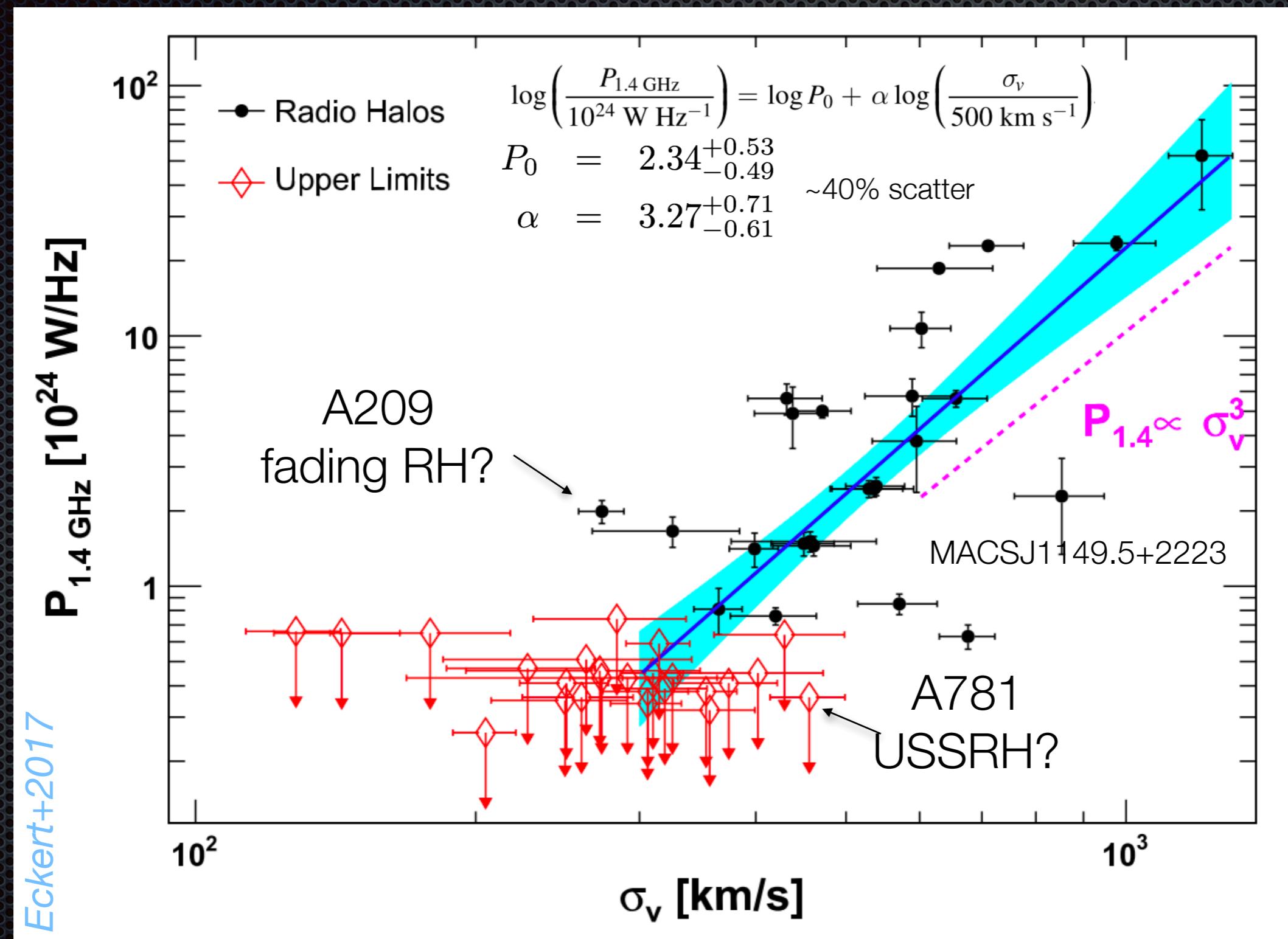


# Results



Clear separation between GRH & ULs

# Correlation with P<sub>1.4GHz</sub>?



# Conclusions & Future Work

- observe correlation between turbulent velocity & radio power in clusters with GRHs
- $P_{1.4\text{GHz}} \sim \sigma_v^3 \sim P_{\text{turb}}$  turbulent energy rate
  - $A_{2D}$  can capture re-acceleration process
  - underlying processes more complex (heating, B-field amplification, accel. of CRe & CRp?)
- results show upper limit, possibly hidden shocks, clumps, AGN that induce power at smaller scales
- future work: limitations of analysis, effect of projection & other samples?

- Thank you! -