

# Optical Galaxy Cluster Detection at High Redshift

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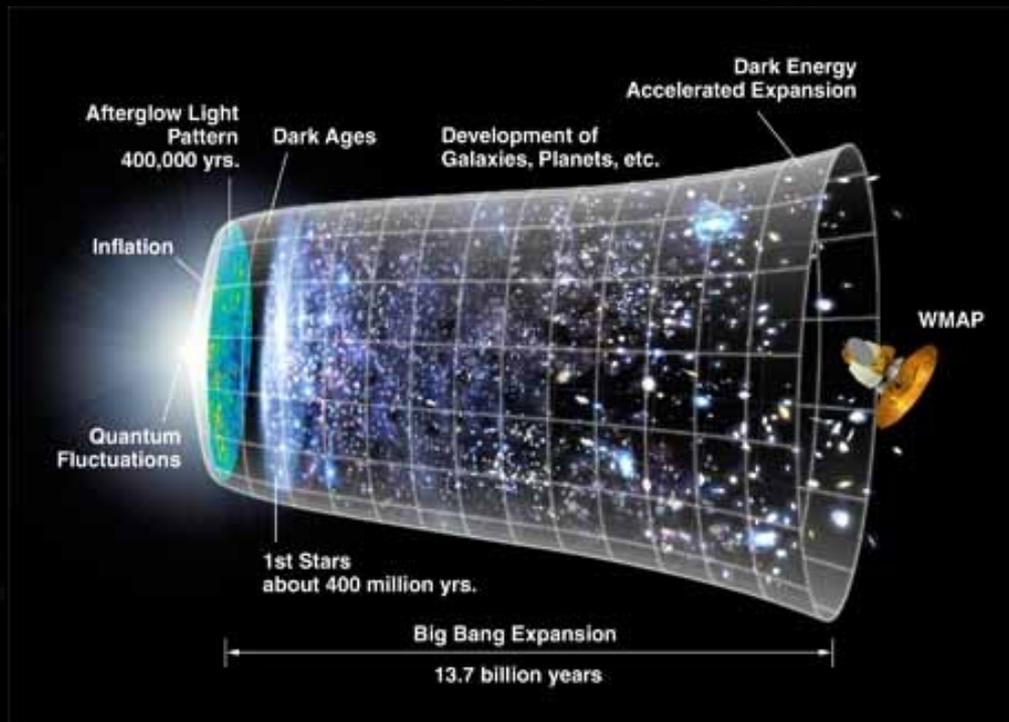
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# Outline

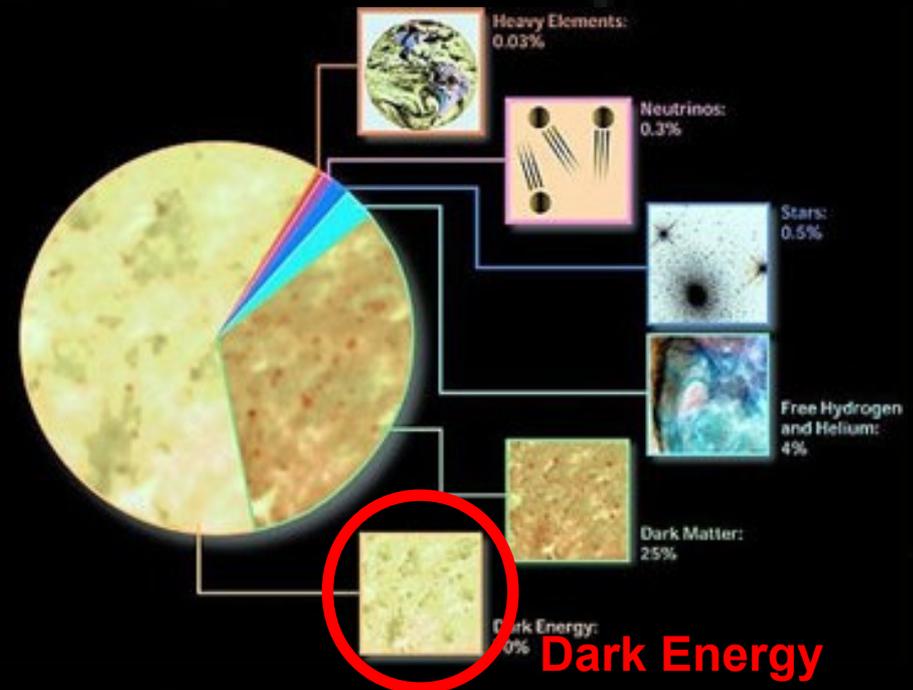
1. Cosmological motivation for cluster detection?
2. Challenge of optical galaxy cluster detection and GMBCG algorithm for high redshift cluster detection
3. Getting ready for Dark Energy Survey (DES)
4. Precision measurements of cluster properties

# "Standard" Cosmological Model

## History



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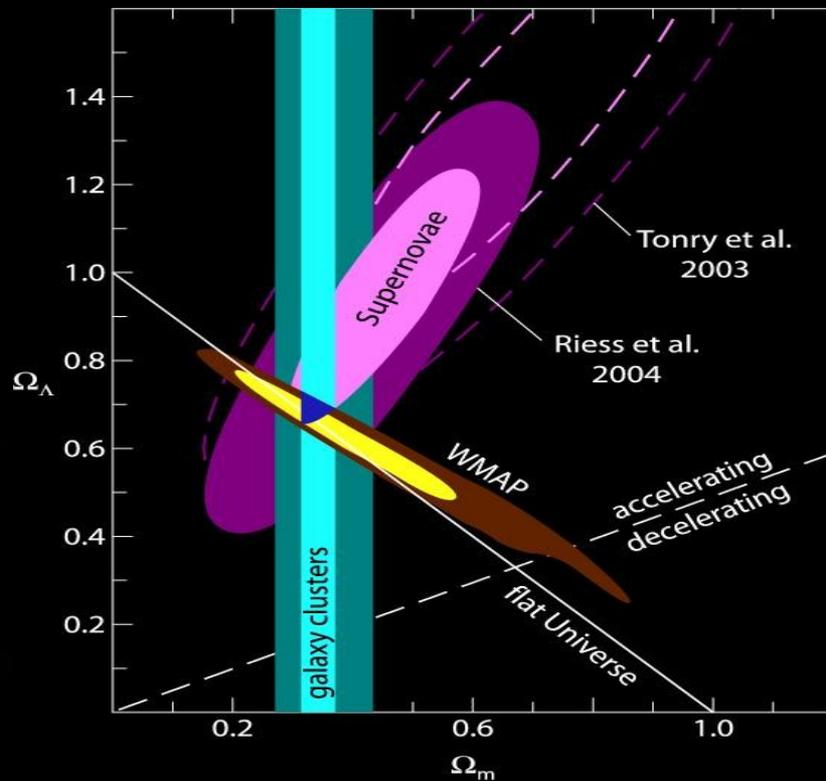
What is the nature of Dark Energy ?

A simple question but expensive to answer!

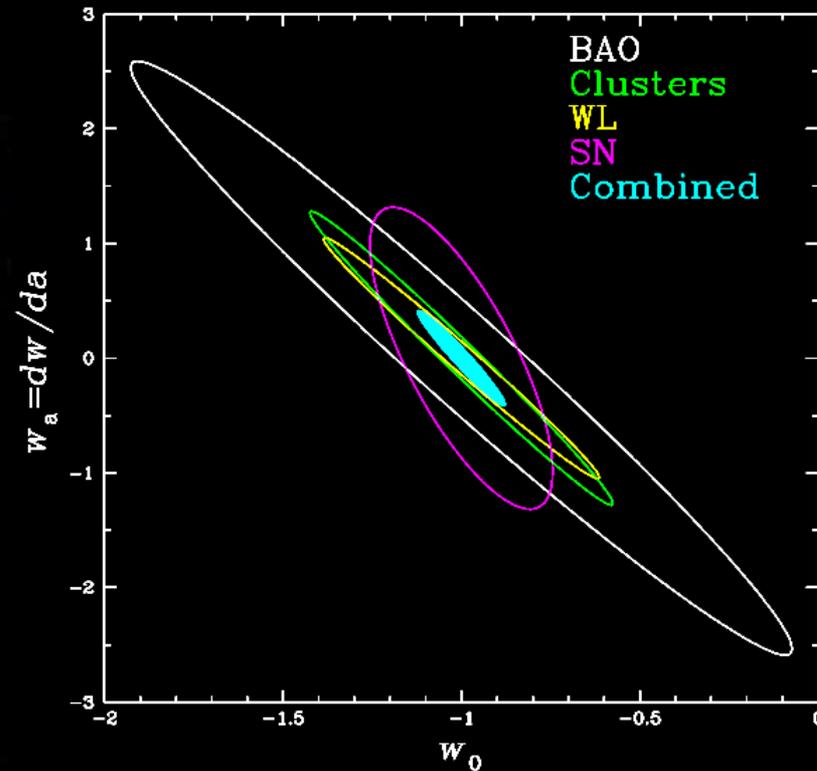
# Dark Energy Parameters

$$p = w(a) \rho$$

$$w(a) = w_0 + dw/da * (1-a) + o(a^2)$$



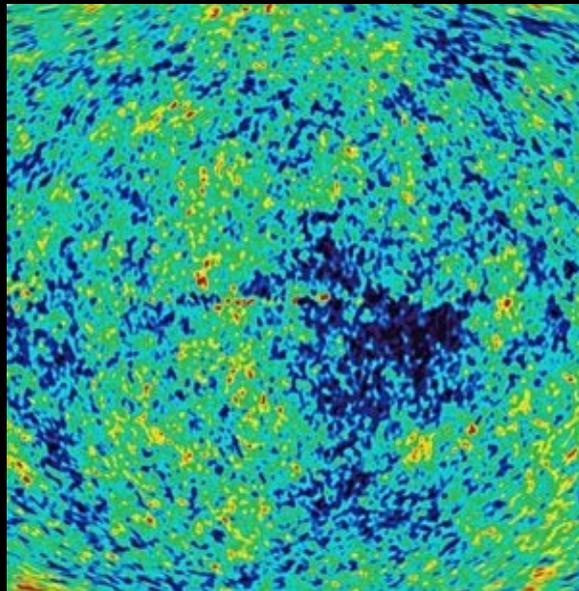
From MPE WebPage



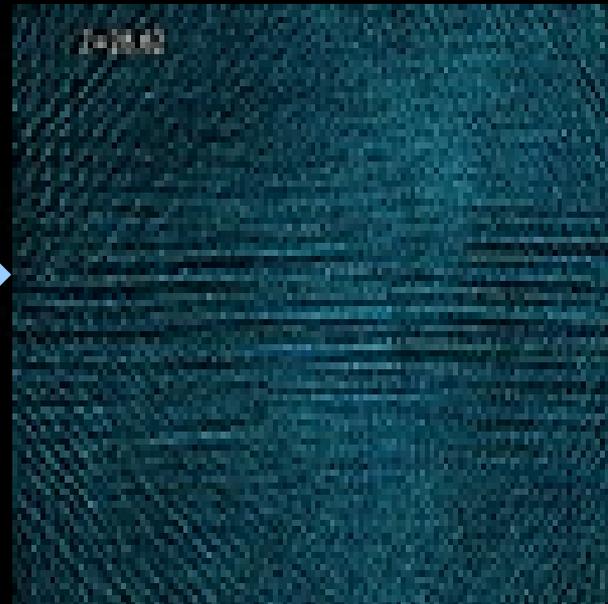
From DES science proposal,  
Frieman et al

# Large Scale Structures as Cosmological Probe

CMB map from WMAP team



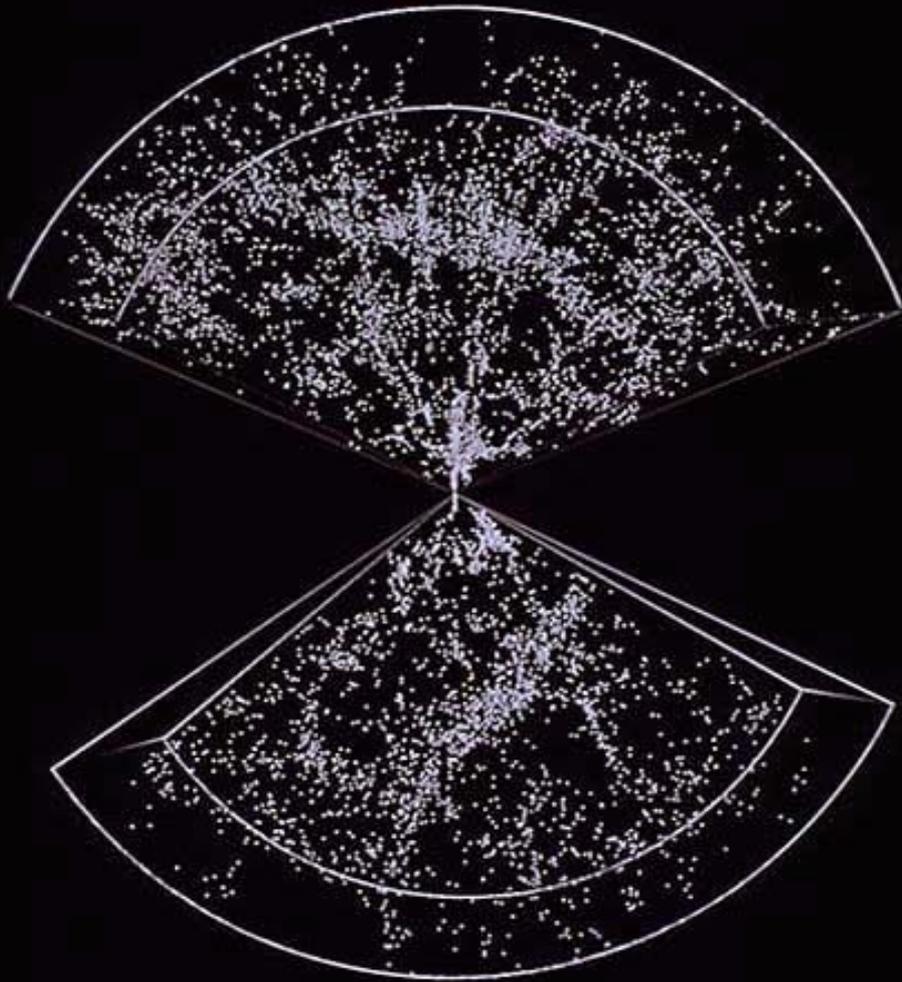
Dark matter simulation  
from A. Kravtsov



**Given a set of cosmological parameters, theory and simulation can predict very well the abundance and distribution of dark matter halos at given mass scales.**

**That is to say, if we know the dark matter halo distribution, we can reverse the process to constrain the cosmological parameters.**

# Characterizing Halo Distribution



How many ?  
How Clustering ?



Determined by Cosmology

# Theoretical linking I: Number Counts

Number of halos

$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega dz} = \frac{c d_A^2 (1+z)^2}{H(z)} \times \int_{M_{min}}^{\infty} dM \frac{dn}{dM}$$

mass function:

Mass limit      Mass function

$$\frac{dn}{dM} = 0.315 \frac{\rho_b}{M} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_M} \frac{d\sigma_M}{dM} \right) \exp \left\{ - \left[ 0.61 - 1.0 \log(D_z \sigma_M) \right]^{3.8} \right\}$$

Background density

Variance of fluctuation

Growth function

Jenkins et al. 2001

# Theoretical linking II: Clustering

$$P_c(k) = b^2 D(z)^2 [1 + \beta^2]^2 T_m^2(k) P_{ini}(k)$$

Halo Power spectrum

Halo Mass Bias

Growth function

Redshift distortion

Transfer function

Initial Power spectrum

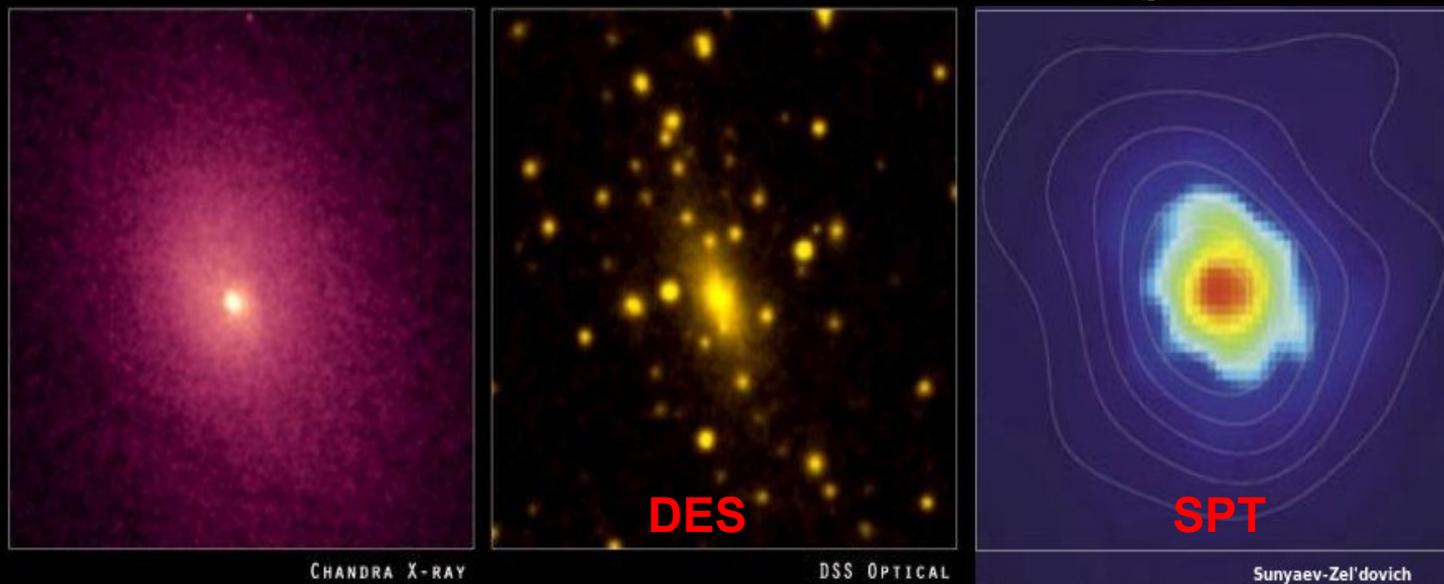
**Redshift distortion:**

$$\beta = \frac{1}{b} \frac{d \ln D(z)}{d \ln a}$$

**Scales with growth function**

# Tracing Halos from Galaxy Clusters

- Galaxy clusters are good tracers of dark matter halos
- Need to know the masses of clusters



**A galaxy cluster catalog is the first step**

# Building Optical Galaxy Cluster Catalog

## Pros and Cons

- **Optical data are less expensive to obtain**
- **Large Volume Available Data (SDSS)**
- **High Signal/Noise**



- **Projection Contamination: we could not resolve the position of galaxies along the line of sight to precision we need.**



# Generic Data Clustering Analysis

- Supervised learning and unsupervised learning

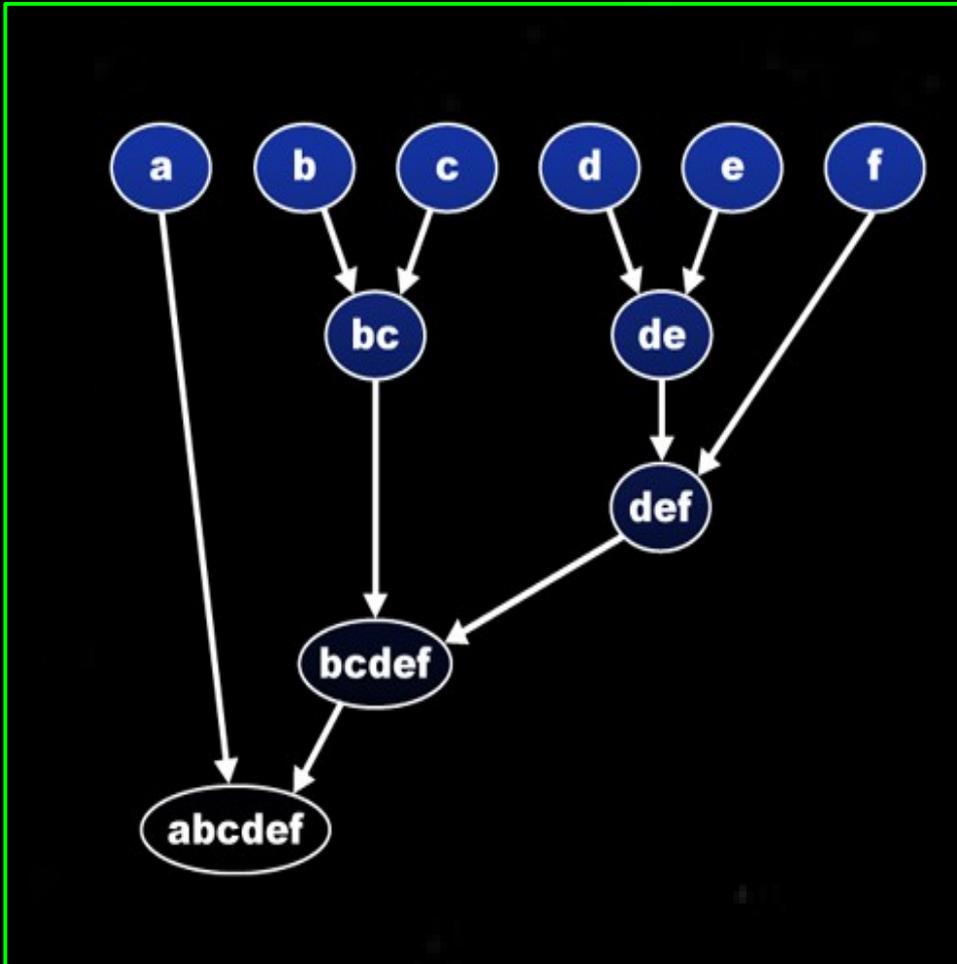
The number of groups is known, assigning every data point into the groups.

Number of groups is unknown, grouping the data point according their clustering.

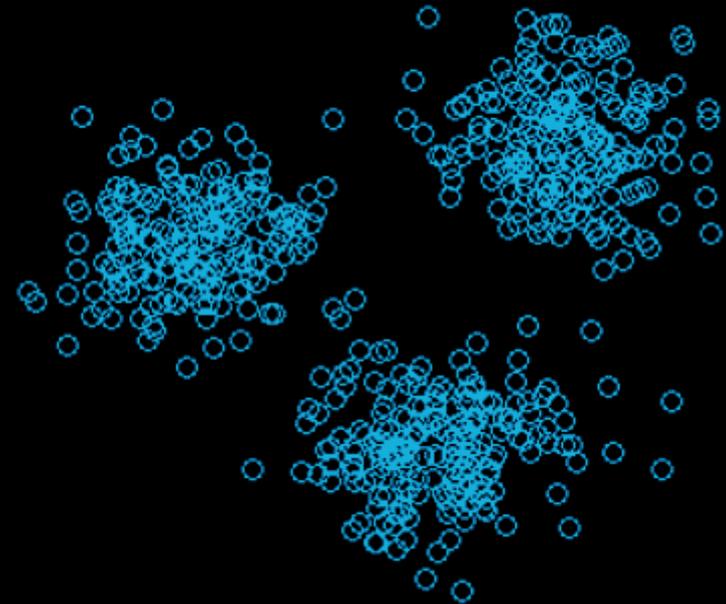
- Type of clustering analysis

- Partition Method: objects are partitioned into non-overlapping groups and each object belongs to only one group. K-means, mixture models, Kernel Method
- Hierarchical Method: Objects are partitioned into nested groups that are organized as a hierarchical tree. Linkage method

# Generic Data Clustering Analysis



Hierarchical Method



Partition Method

**All need some sort of distances being calculated!!**

# Galaxy Clustering Analysis

1. Two groups: clustered galaxies and non-clustered galaxies

**Supervised Learning/Classification analysis**

2. Unknown number of galaxy clusters

**Unsupervised Learning/Clustering analysis**

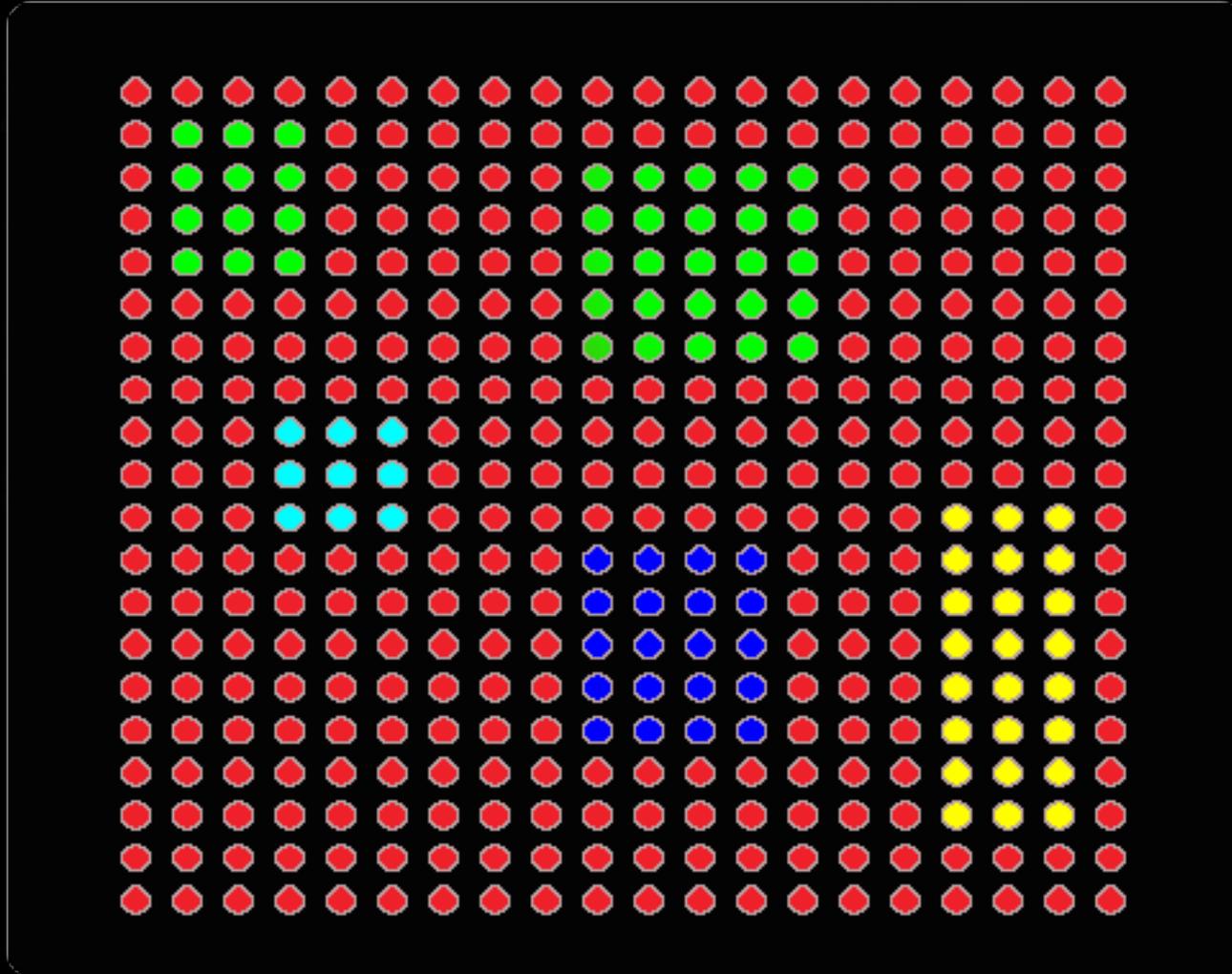
3. Huge uncertainties for the dimension along the line of sight

**How to calculate distance? What is the metric?**



**Trying to look for 3D clustering with only 2D precise information!!**

# The Challenge due to the projections



Information about the third dimension is crucial!

# De-projecting the field galaxies

- Spectroscopic redshift:  
most galaxies do not have spectra taken
- Photometric redshift:  
~ 0.03 uncertainties  
In clusters, require 0.003, ~ 900km/sec  
Fermilab-Chicago photoz group,  
Oyaizu et al, 2008
- Red sequence colors:  
color uncertainties ~ 0.03  
ridgeline width ~ 0.06



The photometric redshift is obtained from colors, how can the red sequence color do better than photozs?

# Galaxy Cluster Finding Algorithms

**Counts in Cell:** Couch et al. 1991 and Lidman & Peterson 1996

**Percolation Algorithm:** Davis et al. 1985, Efstathiou et al. 1988, Huchra & Geller 1982, Ramella et al. 2002

**Smoothing Kernels Algorithm:** Shectman et al, 1985

**Adaptive Kernel Algorithm:** Gal et al. 2000, 2003, 2006

**Matched Filter:** Postman et al. 1996

**Hybrid and Adaptive Matched Filter:** Kepner et al. 1999, Kim et al. 2002, Dong et al, 2007

**Cut-and-Enhance:** Goto et al. 2002

**Voronoi Tessellation:** Kim et al. 2002, Lopes et al. 2004

**C4 Algorithm,** Miller et al, 2005

**Cluster Red Sequence Algorithm:** Gladders & Yee. 2000, 2005

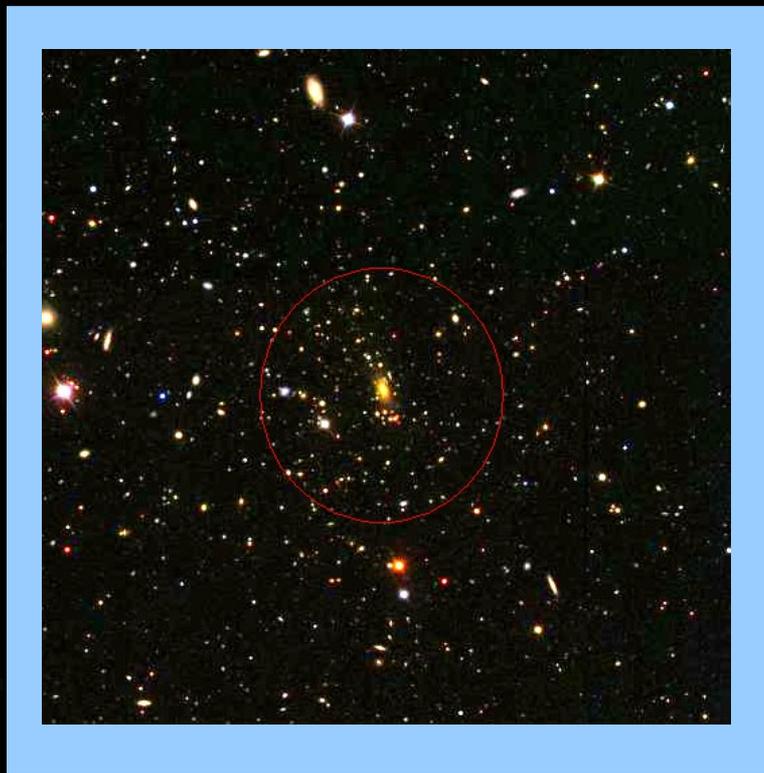
**MaxBCG:** Annis et al, 1999, Koester et al, 2007

**GMBCG:** Hao et al, 2009 in preparation

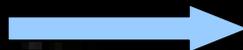
# **Gaussian Mixture BCG (GMBCG) in a nutshell**

- i) Detecting clusters is to look for over-densities of red sequence galaxy distribution.**
- ii) The center of the cluster is Brightest Cluster Galaxy(BCG)**
- iii) Use ECGMM algorithm to detect the peak in color space, specifying the red sequence cluster members as within +/- 2 sigma of the ridgeline and more likely from the ridgeline Gaussian component.**
- iv) Use NFW kernel(or other kernel) to convolve the projected distribution of the red sequence member galaxies.**

# Clusters are over-densities

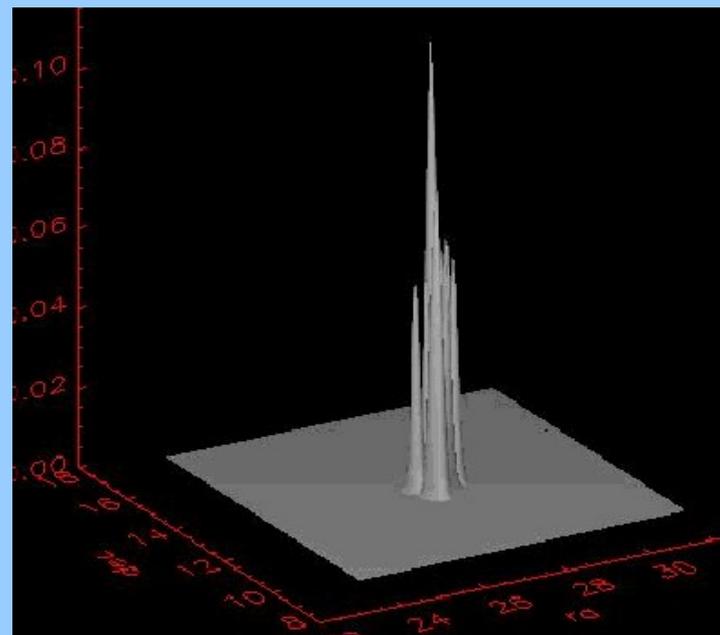
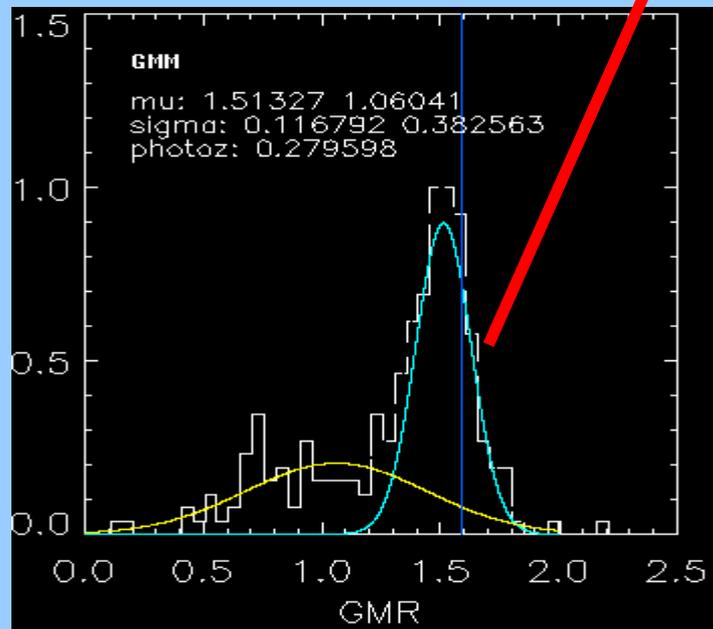


color



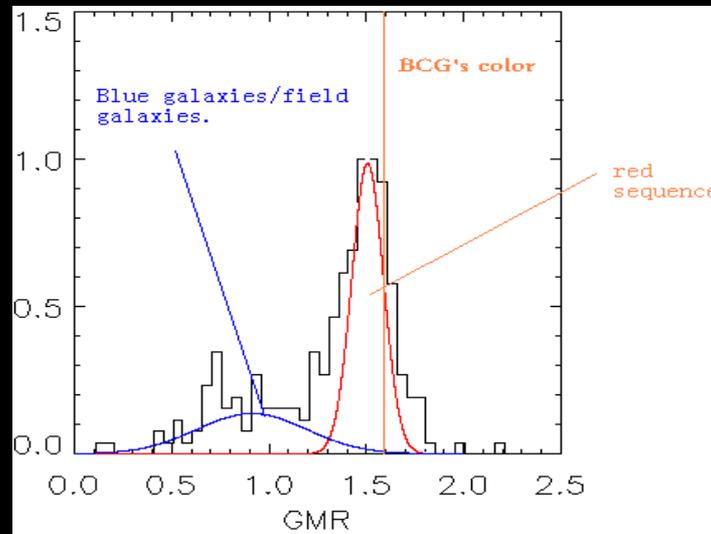
RA/DEC Plane

Red Sequence



# Detecting Color Clustering---Red Sequence

## Color Distribution Around Cluster



## Error Corrected Gaussian Mixture Model (ECGMM)

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta|y) = \prod_{j=1}^M \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{w_i}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma_i^2 + \delta_j^2)}} \exp \left( -\frac{(y_j - \mu_i)^2}{2(\sigma_i^2 + \delta_j^2)} \right) \right]$$

# More Math & Statistics

$$w_i^{(t+1)} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M p(z_j = i | y_j, \theta_i^{(t)})$$

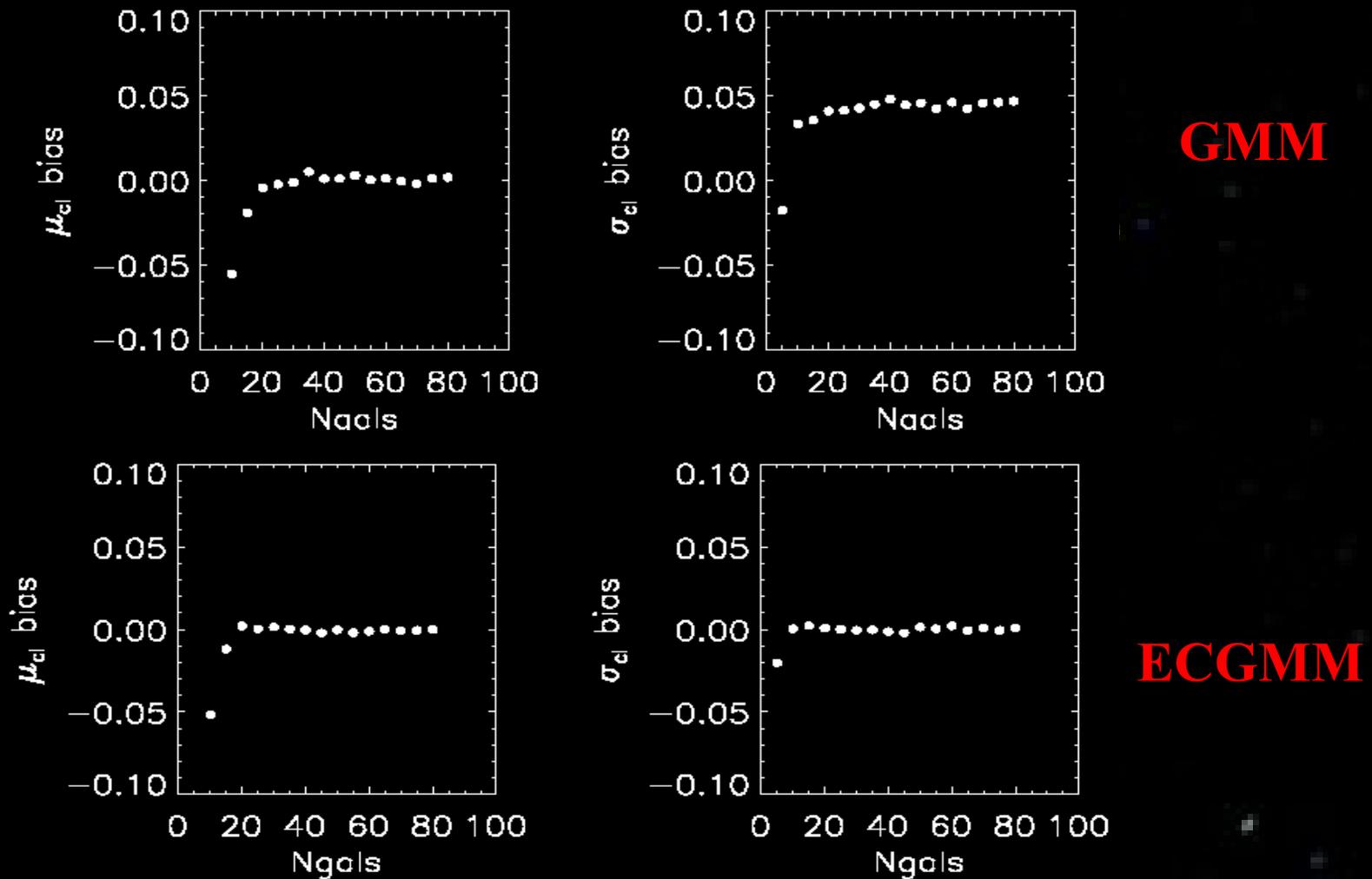
**EM algorithm**

$$\mu_i^{(t+1)} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^M y_j p(z_j = i | y_j, \theta_i^{(t)}) / (1 + \delta_j^{(t)2} / \sigma_i^{(t)2})}{\sum_{j=1}^M p(z_j = i | y_j, \theta_i^{(t)}) / (1 + \delta_j^{(t)2} / \sigma_i^{(t)2})}$$

$$\sigma_i^{(t+1)} = \left[ \frac{\sum_{j=1}^M (y_j - \mu_i)^2 p(z_j = i | y_j, \theta_i^{(t)}) / (1 + \delta_j^{(t)2} / \sigma_i^{(t)2})}{\sum_{j=1}^M p(z_j = i | y_j, \theta_i^{(t)}) / (1 + \delta_j^{(t)2} / \sigma_i^{(t)2})} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$BIC = -2 \log \mathcal{L}_{max} + k \log(M)$$

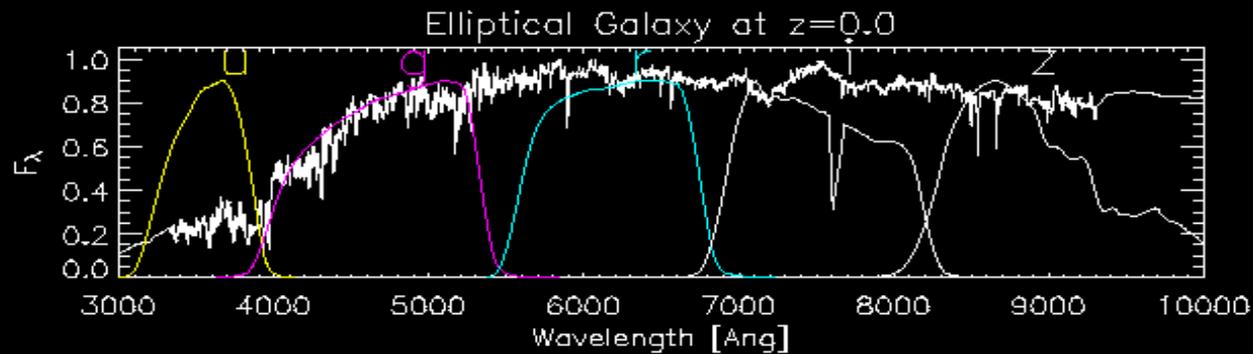
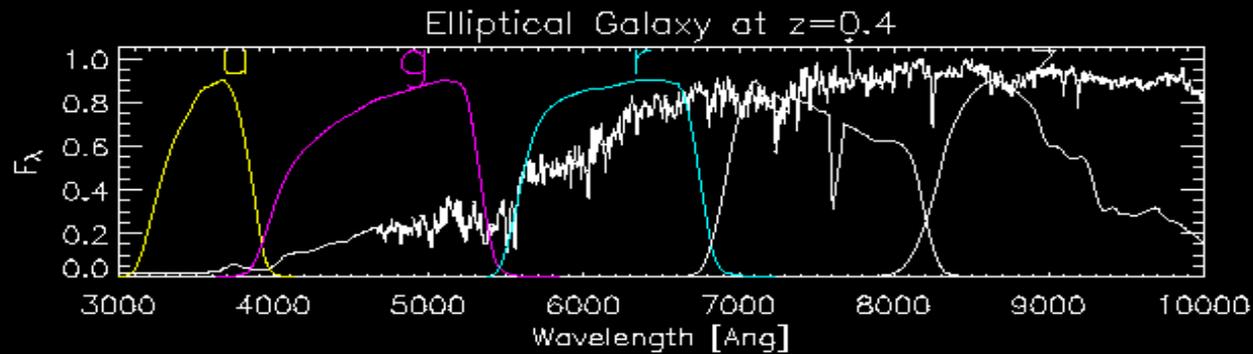
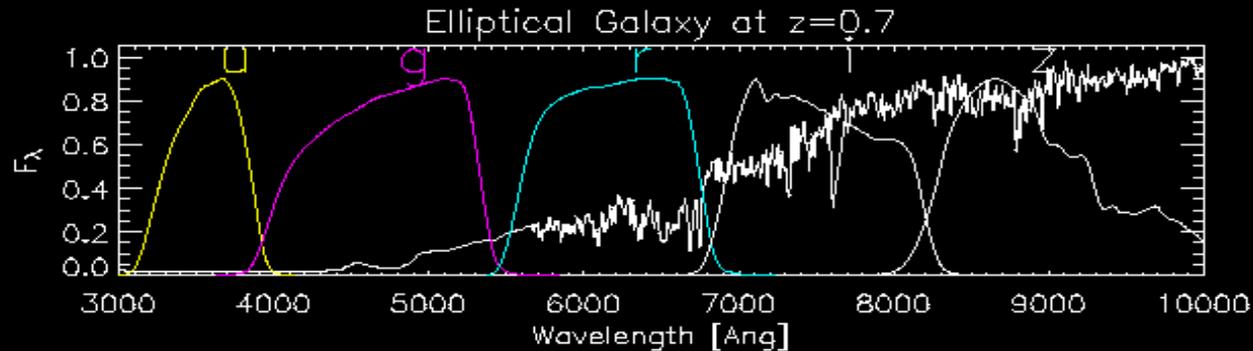
# Monte Carlo Test of ECGMM



**Bias = <estimated value> - true value  
For 200 replications**

**Hao et al, 2009, in prep**

# High Redshift Challenge



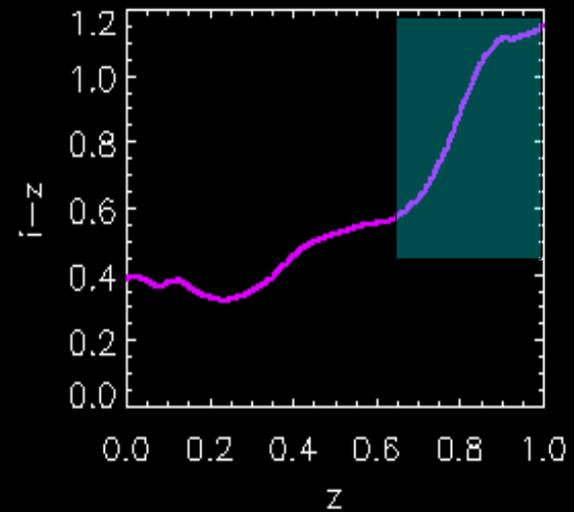
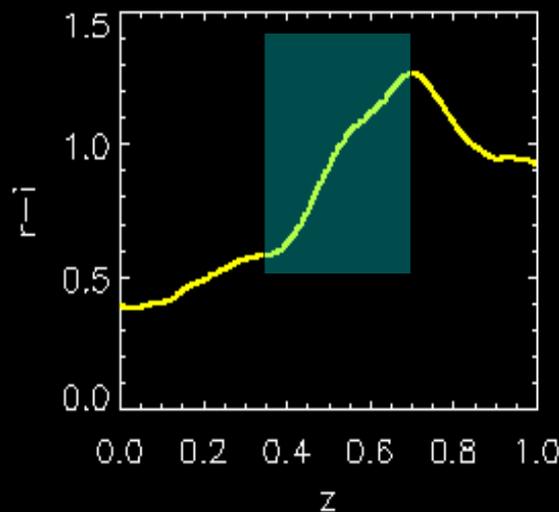
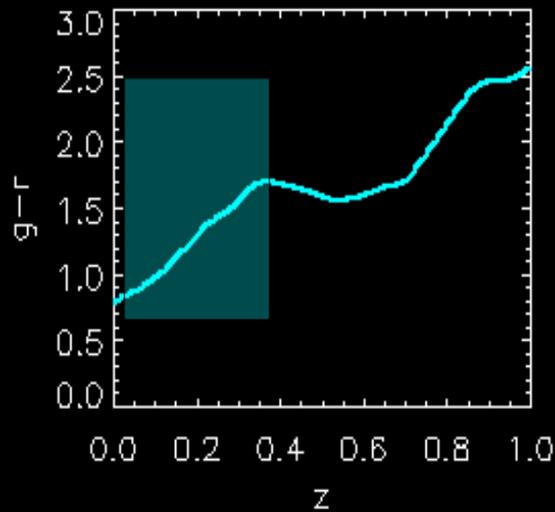
**Bruzal & Charlot 2003**

# Ridgeline Color Selection

## Photometric redshift:

Neural network (photoz2 table, Oyaizu et al, 2008), Nearest neighbor polynomial, Nearest Neighbor, Template method (photoz table), Boosted Decision Tree (Gerdes et al 08)

$$P(z_{min} \leq z \leq z_{max}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{photoz}^2}} \int_{z_{min}}^{z_{max}} dz \exp \left[ -\frac{(z - photoz)^2}{2\sigma_{photoz}^2} \right]$$



color:	g-r	r-i	i-z
redshift:	0.0 ~ 0.35	0.35 ~ 0.70	0.70 ~ 1.0

# Likelihood

$$L_{tot} = L_{cluster}^{BCG} \times L_{profile}$$

$$L_{cluster}^{BCG} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{GM}^2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(C - C_{GM})^2}{2\sigma_{GM}^2} \right]$$

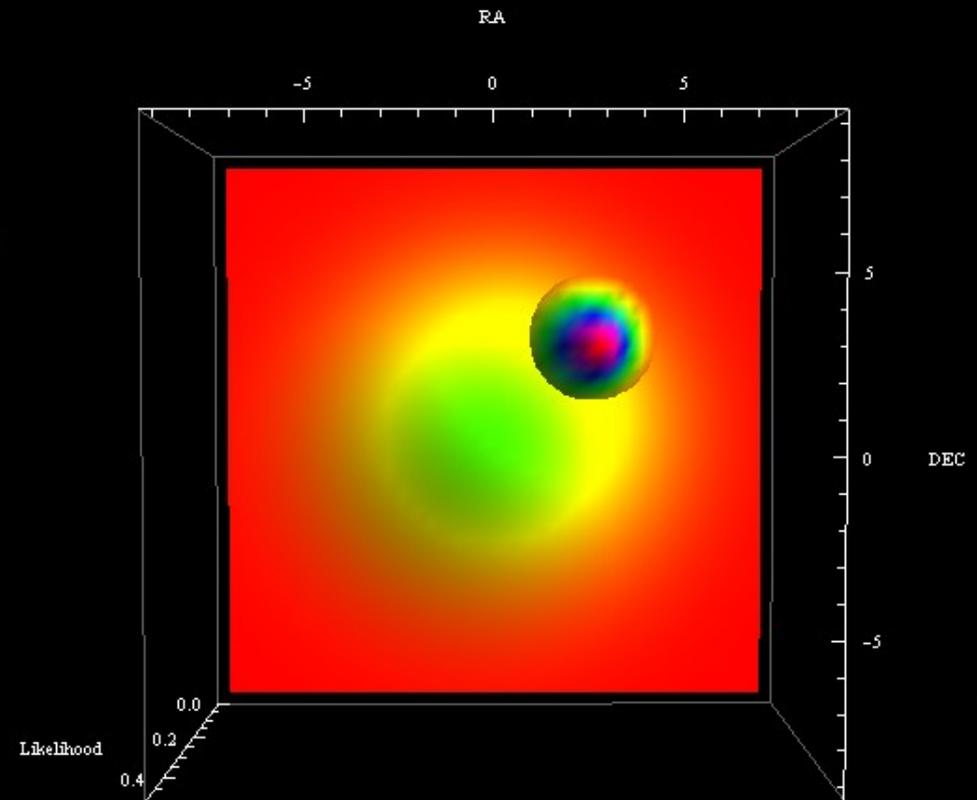
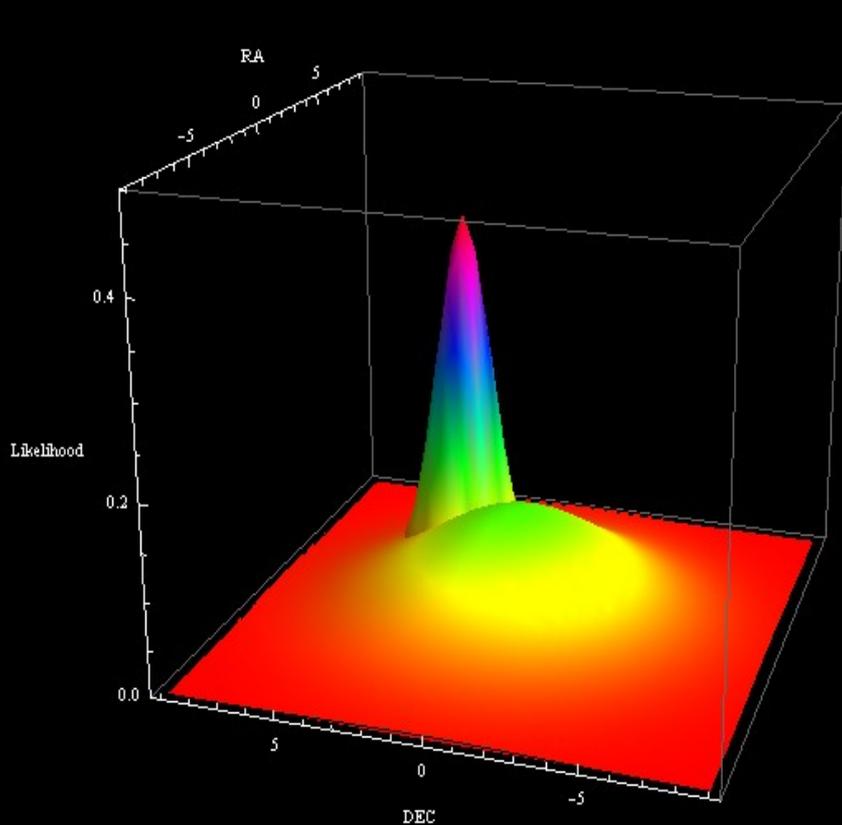
likelihood of the BCG's color  
belonging to the ridgeline

$$L_{profile} = \sum_{k=1}^{N_g} \Sigma(x_k)$$

Radial profile

No color filter is applied because of the scatter of  
ridgeline is comparable to the color uncertainty

# Interpretation of the Likelihood



**Height of the convolved density peak modulated by the closeness of the BCG's color to the ridgeline color.**

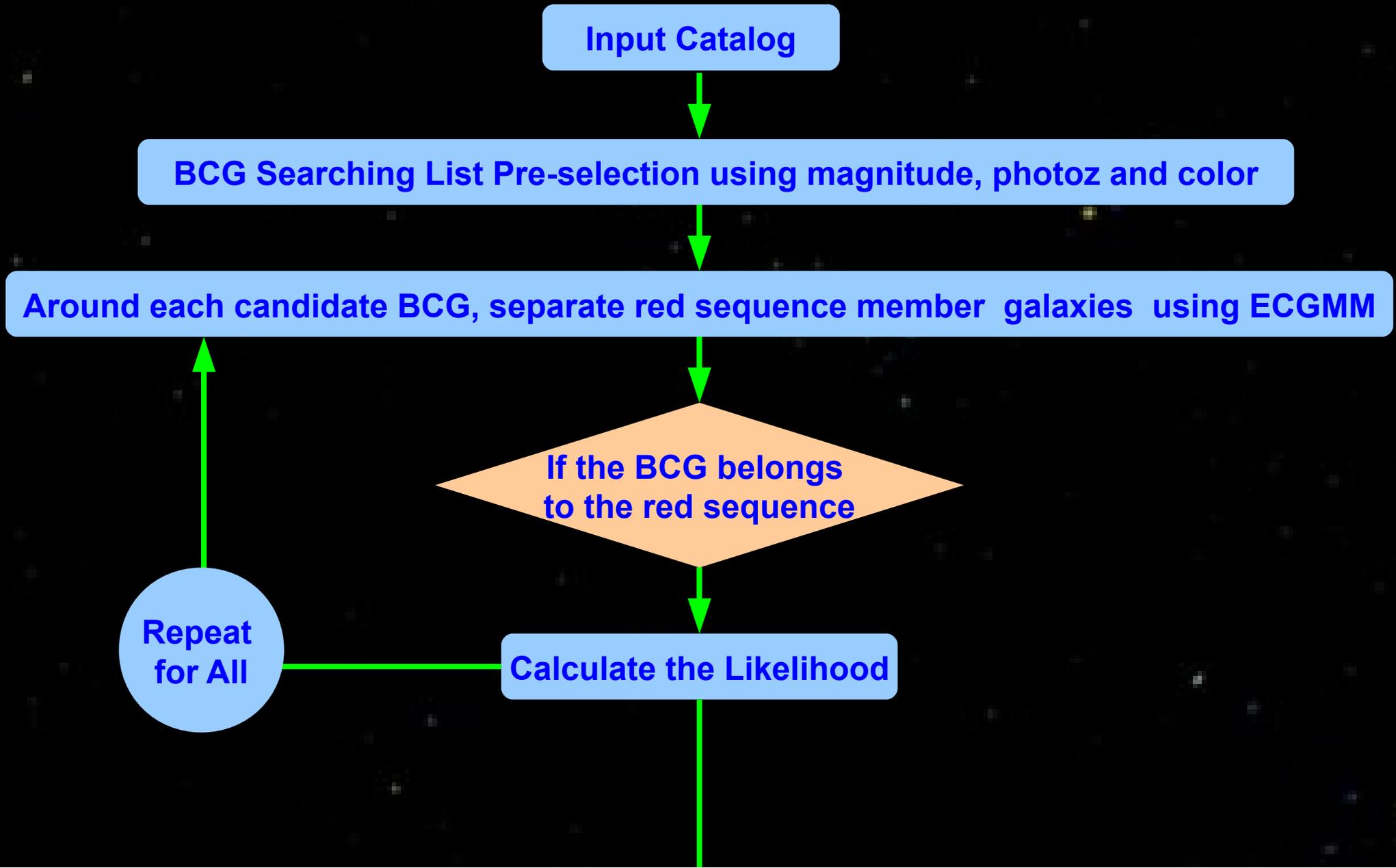
# Why Use Brightest Cluster Galaxy as Cluster Centre?

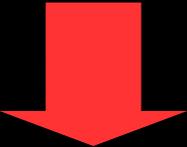
**1. Physics motivation:** gas is dragged to the bottom of the cluster's gravitational well, producing the BCG.

**2. Algorithmic motivation:** alleviate effects due to the chance projected galaxies.

**3. Computational motivation:** boost the efficiency of cluster finding.

# Implementation flowchart





# Cartoon Illustration



# Comparison with MaxBCG

Koester et al, 2007

**GMBCG** is using local ridgeline measured using the ECGMM. MaxBCG assume an average/constant ridgeline for all clusters.

**GMBCG** does not match to a model filters for cluster. It is therefore less biased

**GMBCG** does not “optimize” the photoz w.r.t to a specific filter. Photoz is from colors only using other algorithm. A photoz can be estimated from the resulting ridgeline as a by product.

# Efficient !!!

**40 Minutes** for a stripe of SDSS DR6 data (about 300 square degree) using **Dell PC** with **2.8 GHz Intel CPU (1 core)** and only **1G RAM**.

Compared to



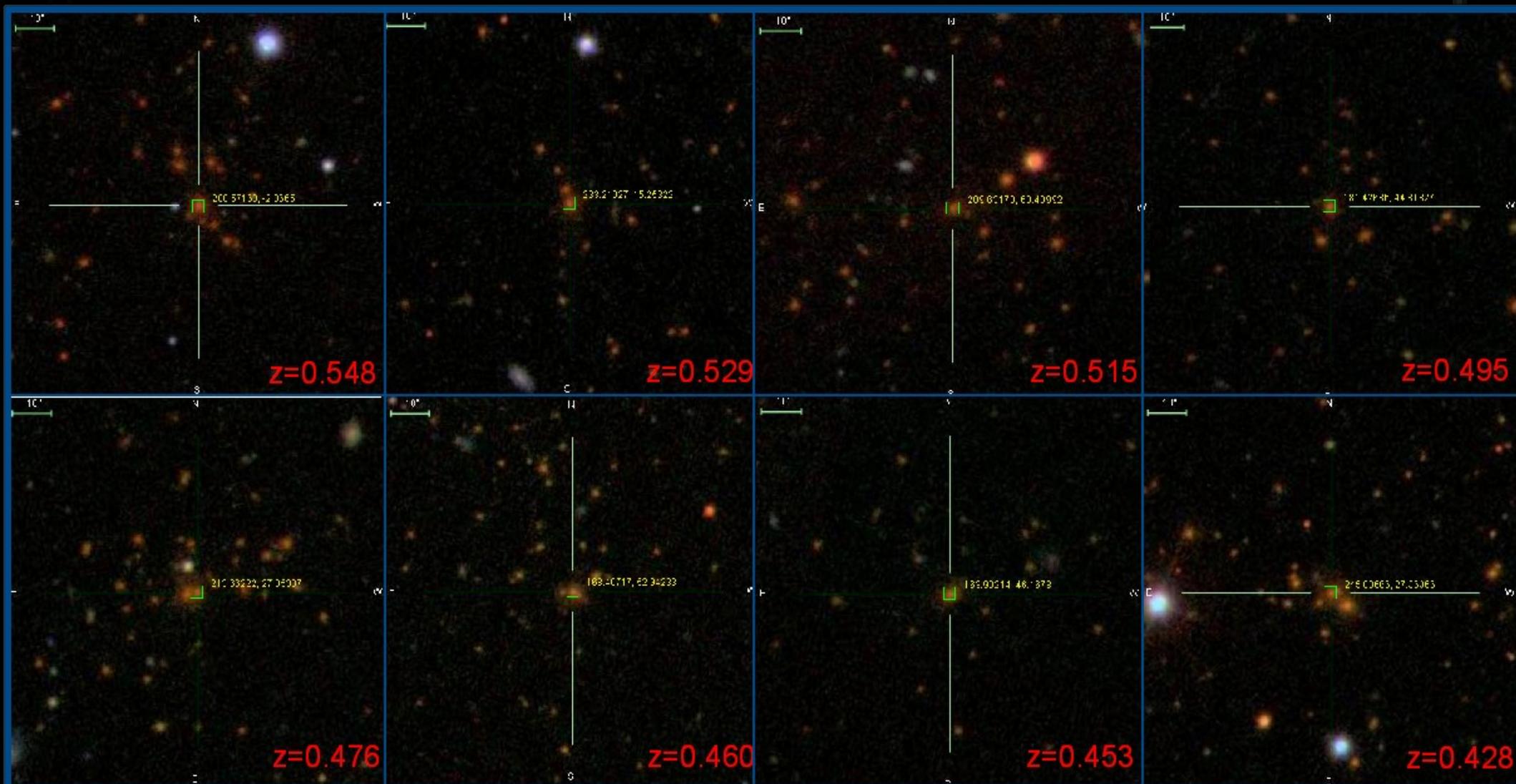
**30 Hours** for a similar stripe using one **dual-processor node** in a **Linux Beowulf Cluster** with **3.06 GHz clock speed** each.  
(Dong et al, 2007)

**FULL SDSS DR7 Catalog** (about 9000 deg<sup>2</sup>) within  
**30 hours** on a Computer less than **\$1500**



# GMBCG Catalog for SDSS DR7

Hao et al, 2009, in prep



# Evaluating the Cluster Finder

**Completeness:** does the cluster finder find all clusters?

**Purity:** are those found clusters true clusters?

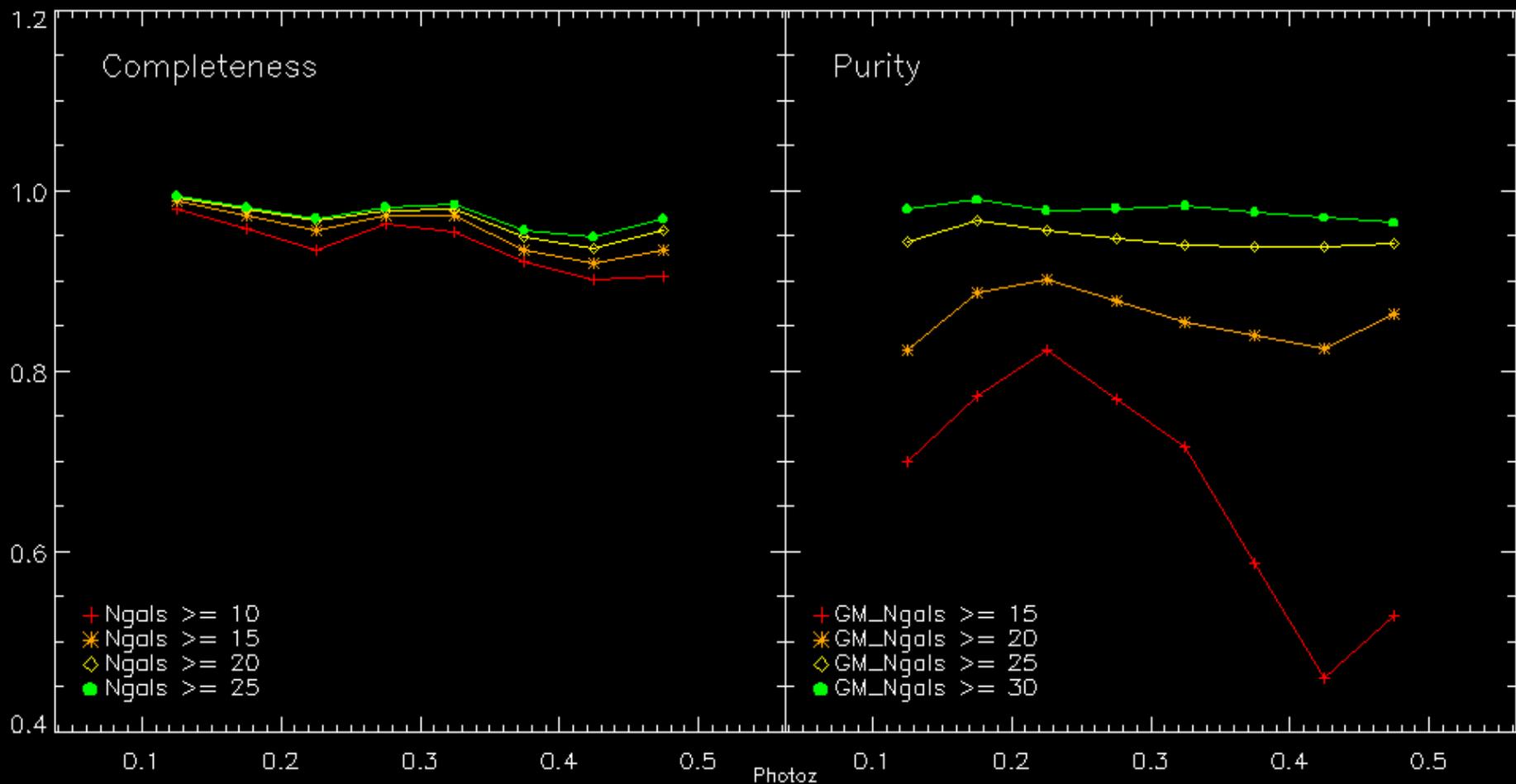
**Challenge:** How do we know the true clusters?

## Mock Catalog

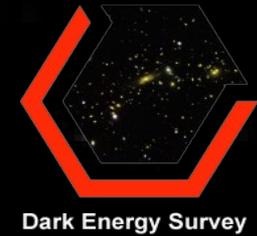
**N-Body Simulation:** how to add galaxies and make it realistic?

**Monte Carlo Catalog:** as realistic as possible

# Completeness and Purity Based on Monte Carlo Mock Catalog



# Getting ready for DES



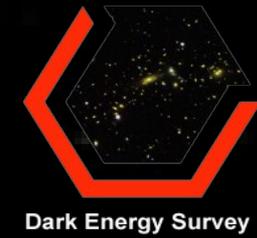
## 1. DES Filter and red sequence ridgeline

Filters: g, r, i, Z, Y

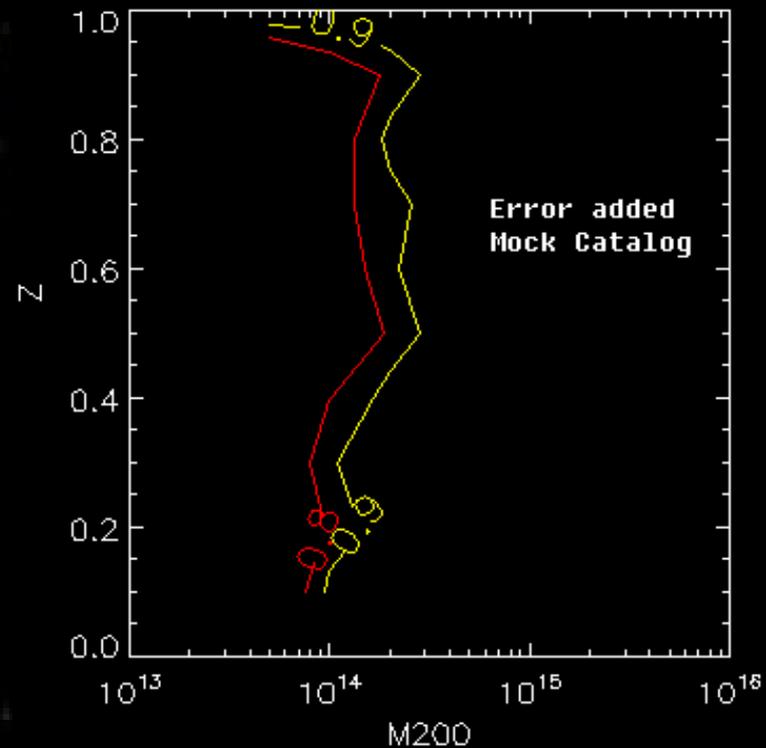
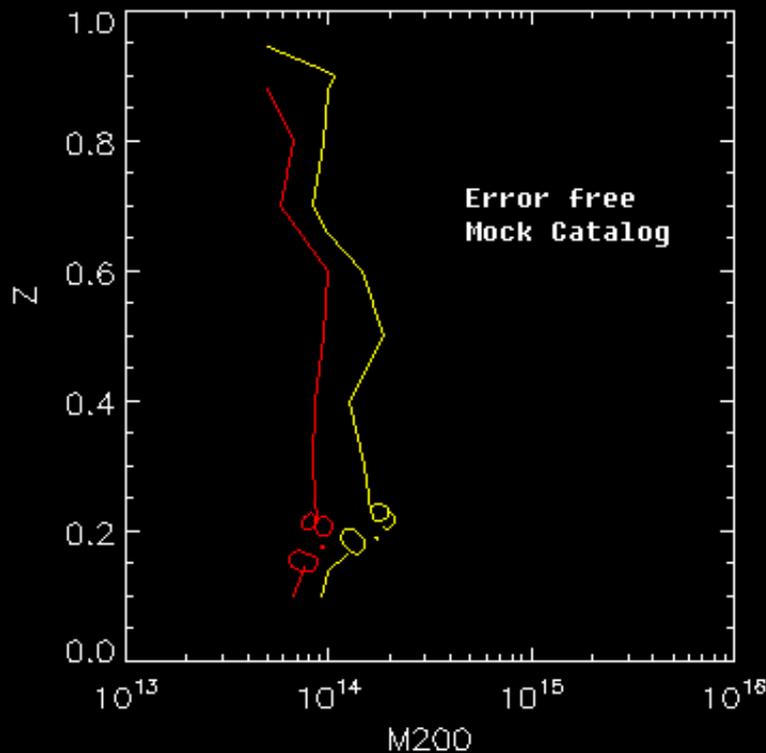
Ridgeline color: g-r, r-i, i-Z, Z-Y

So, to apply GMBCG to DES data, we just need to extend the previous prescriptions to include i-Z and Z-Y ridgelines

# Getting ready for DES



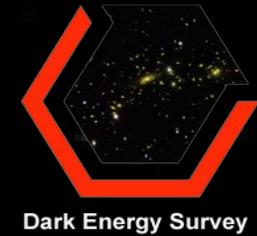
## 2. Applying GMBCG to DES Mock Catalog



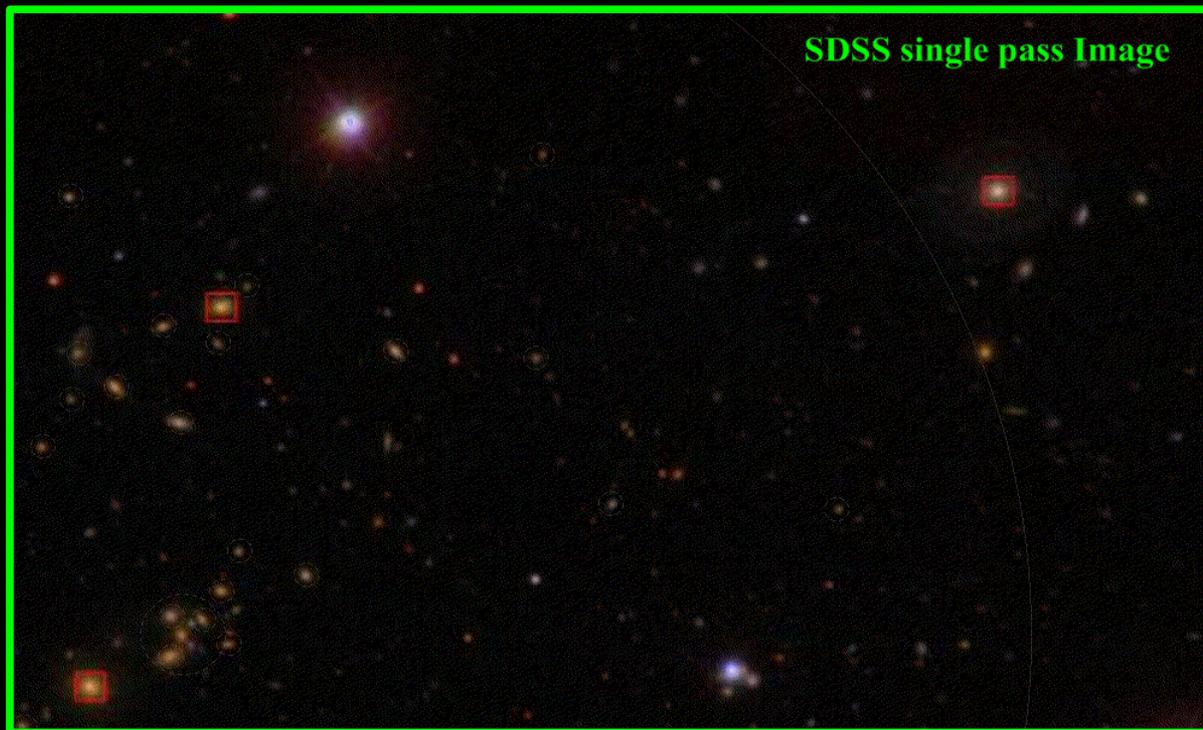
**Completeness**

(DES Mock catalog from Michael Busha and Risa Wechsler, v1.04)

# Getting ready for DES



## 3. SDSS coadd and SDSS single pass



Applying GMBCG to latest SDSS Coadd is undergoing. It can help us to understand the transition from first year DES and final DES.

# Refined Measurements on Clusters

Ongoing

Motivation: narrow down the mass – observable scatter → improving the cosmological constraints

## 1. Better Centers: Improve the weak lensing analysis

Sheldon et al, 2007, Johnston et al, 2007

## 2. Better understanding of the cluster ridgeline— better richness

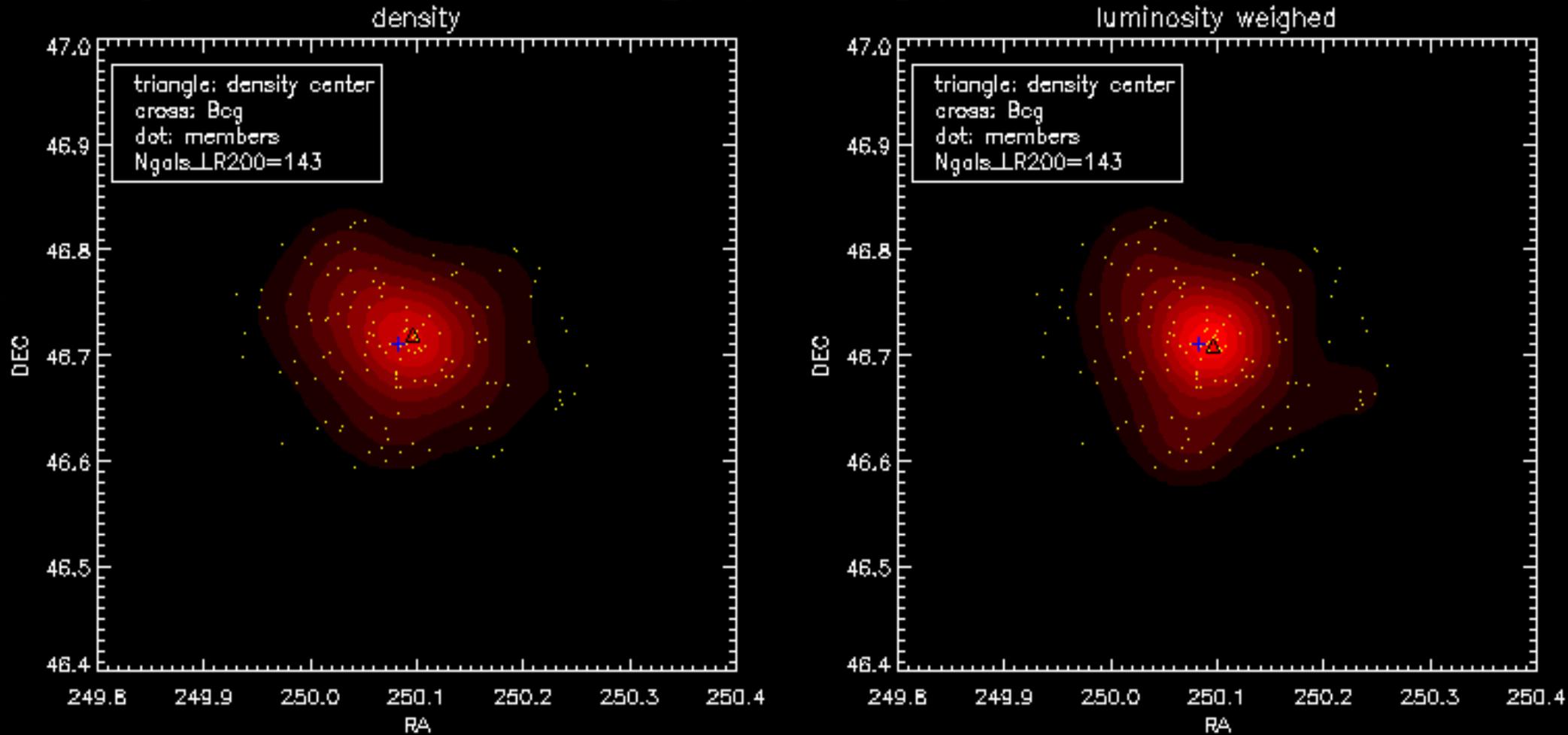
# Cluster Centering

**Is BCG always the best center of cluster?**

**Is the center of the cluster member distribution a better center?**

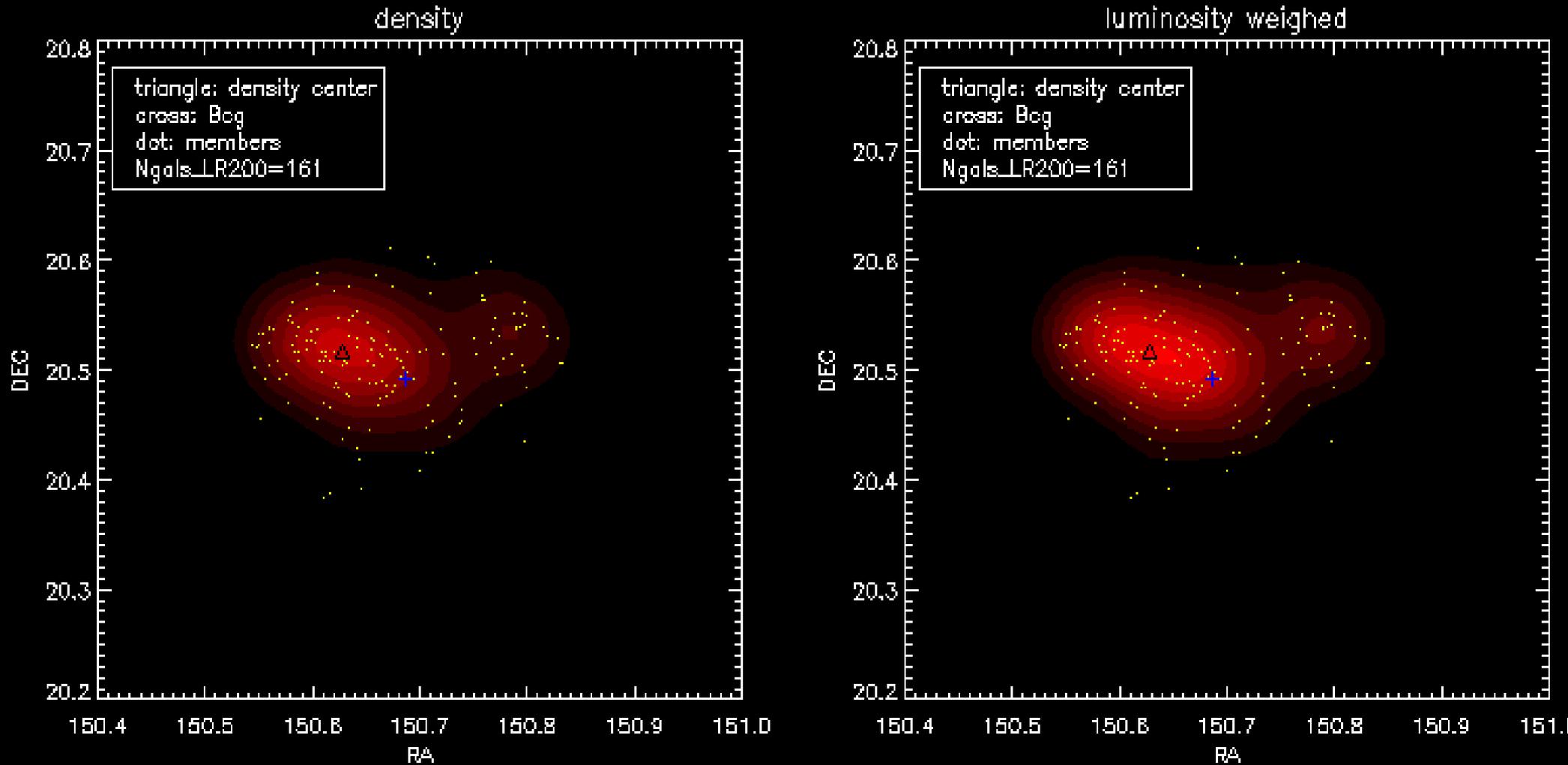
Based on MaxBCG clusters

# Cluster Centering



**Case 1: BCG is close to the density center**

# Cluster Centering



**Case 2: BCG is apart from the density center**

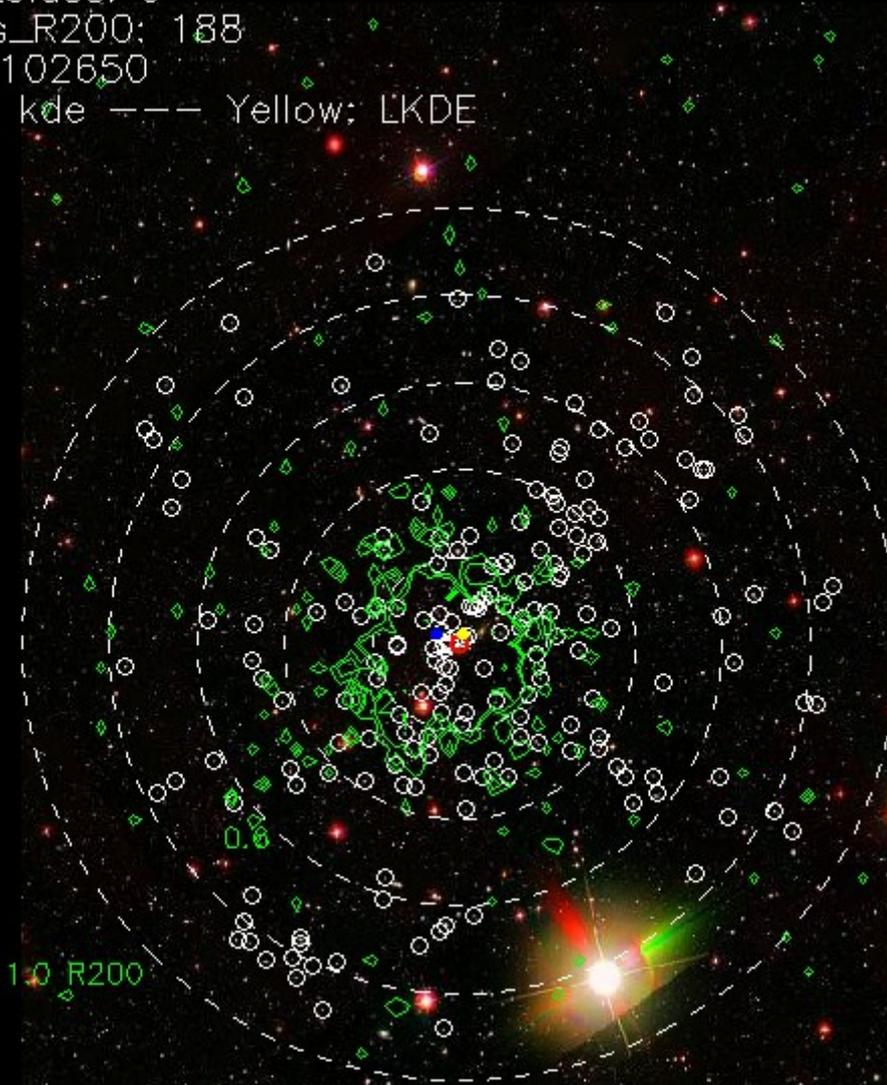
# Cluster Centering

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Ngals\_R200: 188

Z: 0.102650

Blue: kde --- Yellow: LKDE

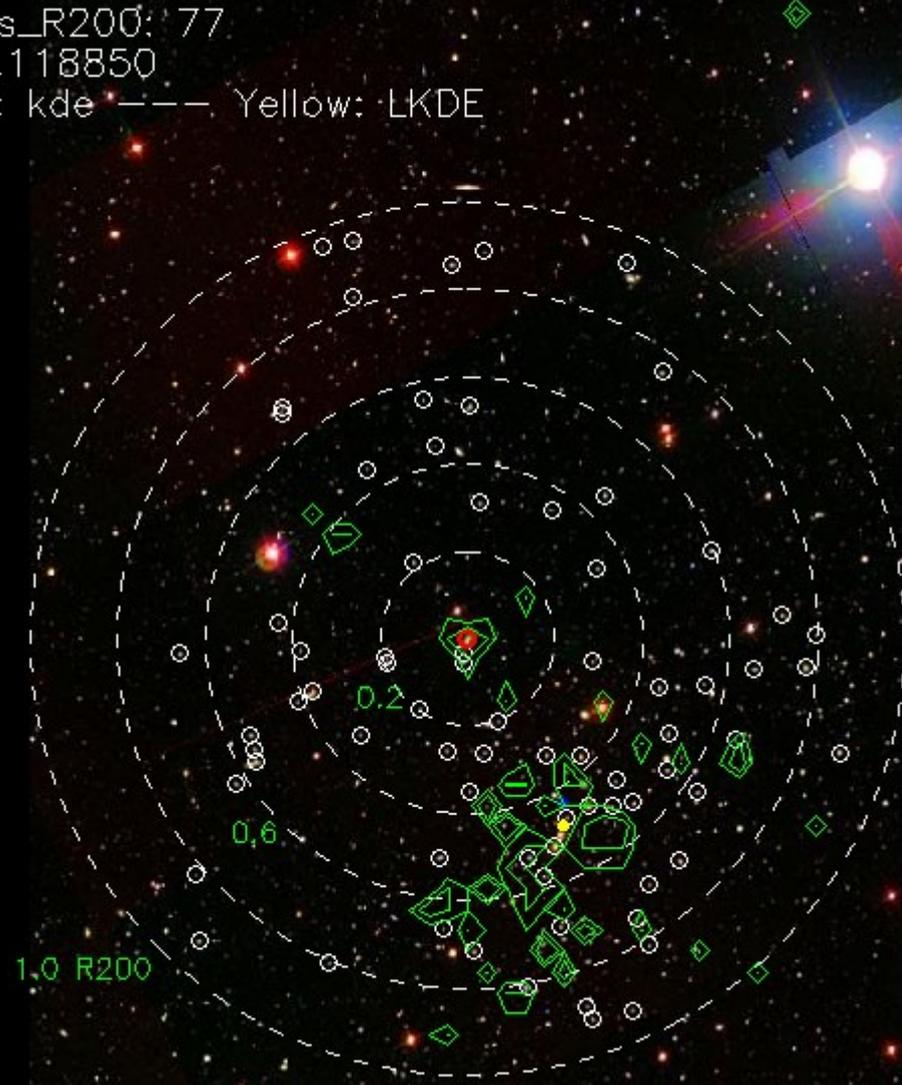


KDE\_Class: 1

Ngals\_R200: 77

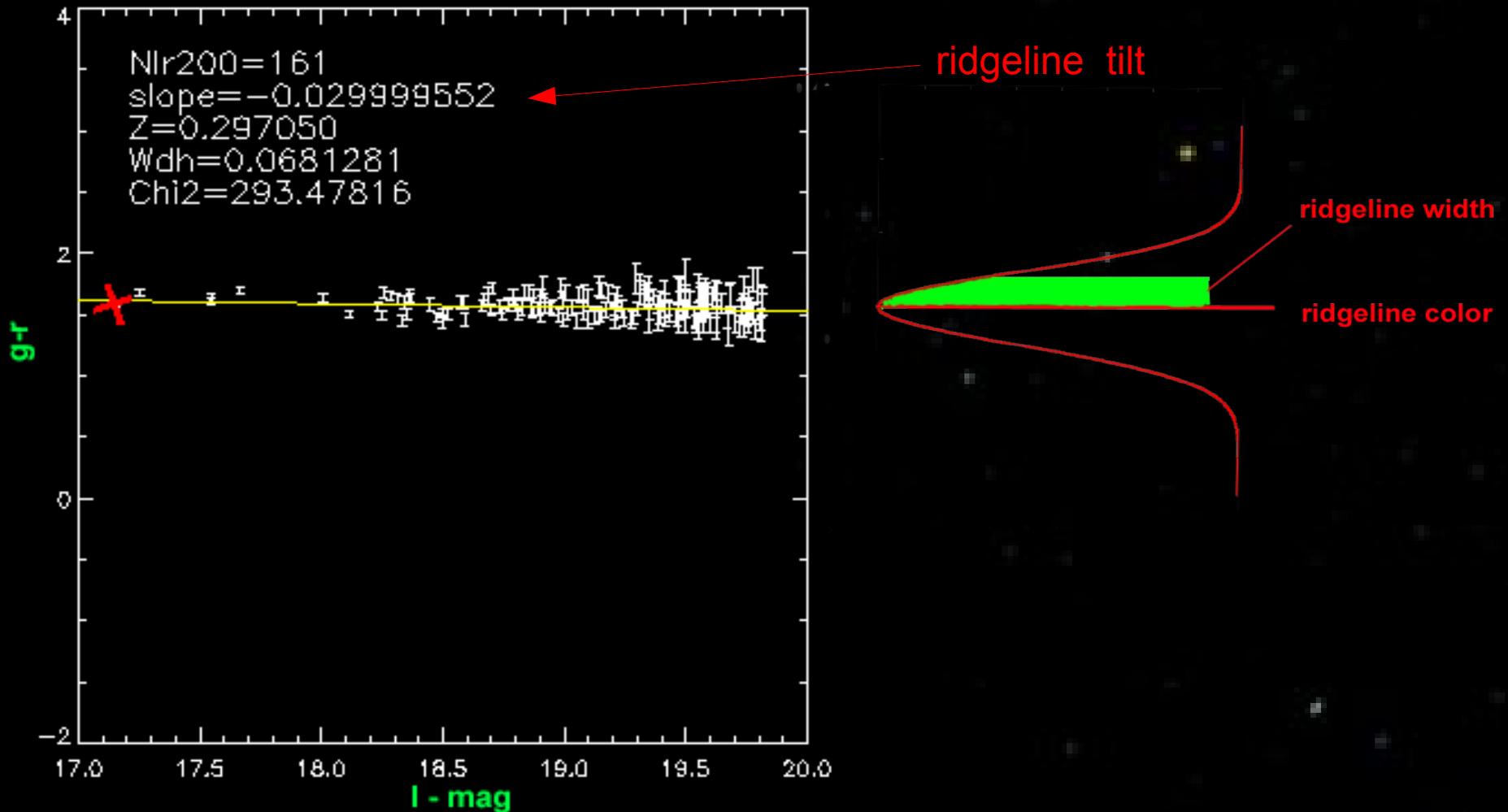
Z: 0.118850

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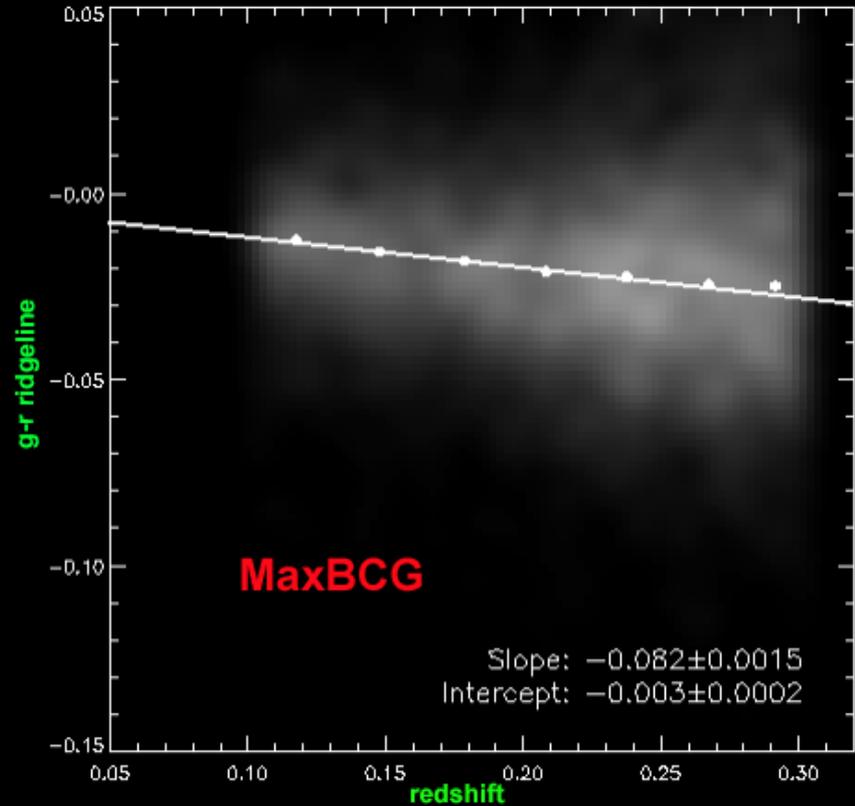
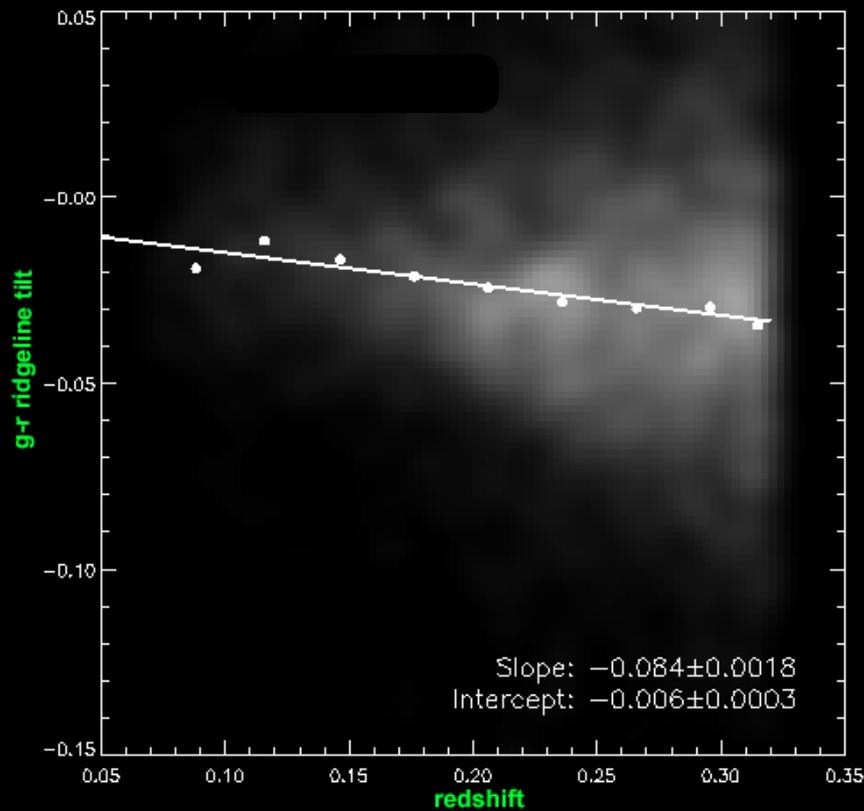


X-ray Center

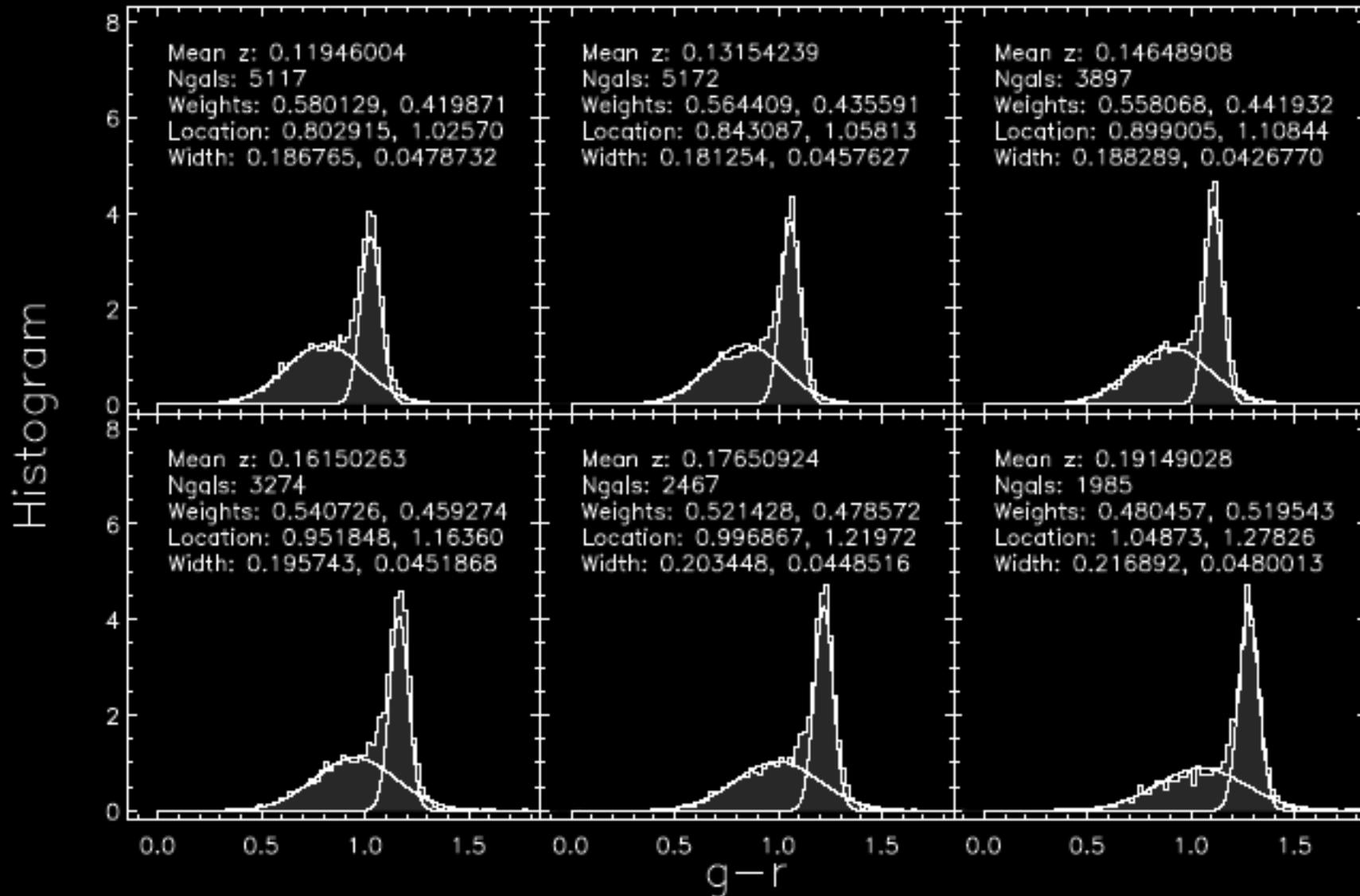
# Precision Measurements of E/S0 Ridgeline and its Tilt



# Evolution of Ridgeline and its Tilt

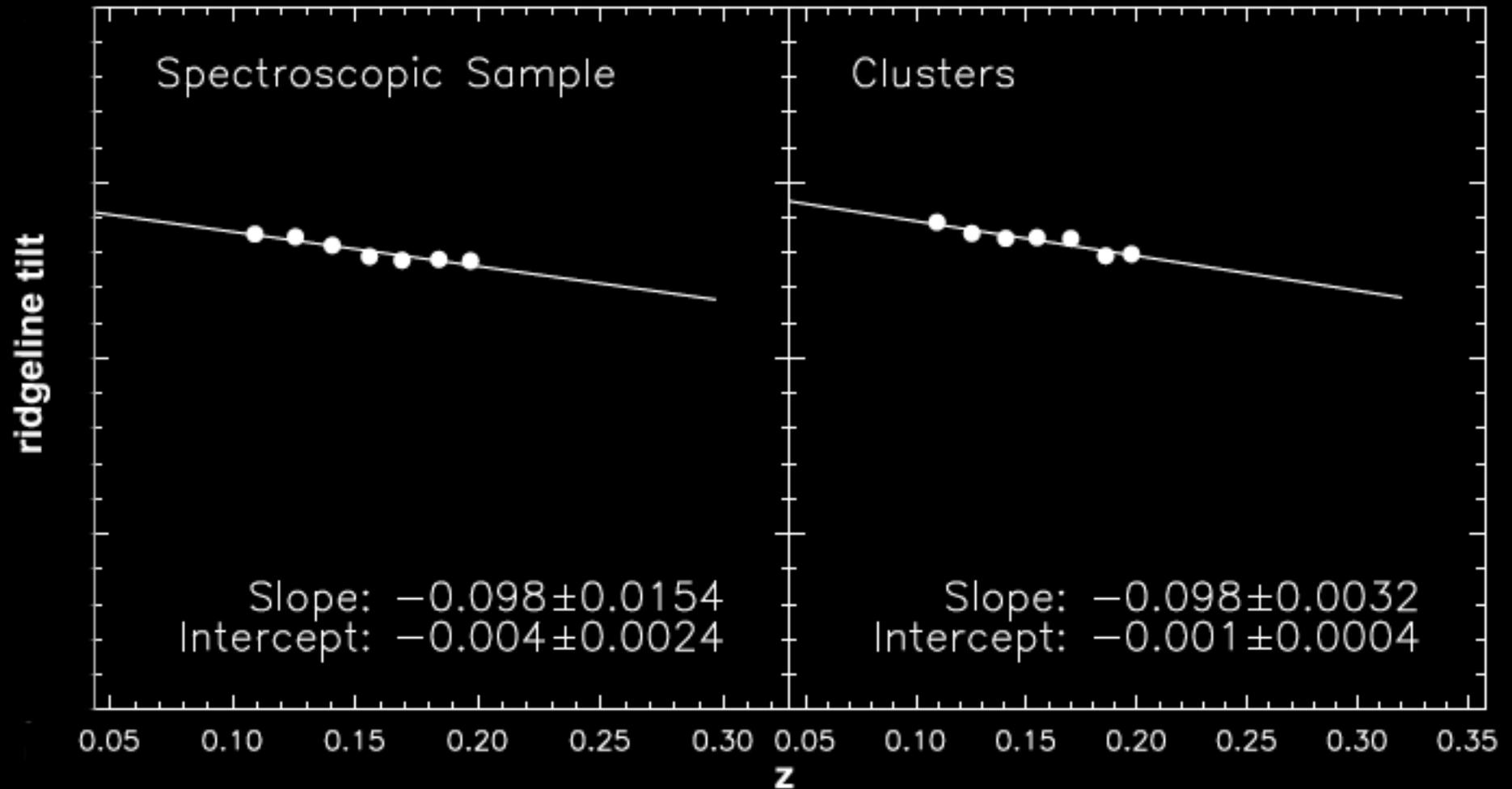


# Cluster Environment Matters?



Non-clustered spectroscopic data, binned into  $z$  slice of 0.003

# Cluster Environment Matters?



Cluster environment is not important for CMD, in agreement with the result from Hogg et al, 2004

# Better Richness Estimate

<b>Richness Measure</b>	<b>Scatter of X-ray ~ richness relation Rykoff et al, 2007</b>
<b>Ngals_R200</b> Koester et al, 2007	0.95
<b>Ngals_R200*LBCG^0.79</b> Reyes et al, 2008	0.84
<b>Ngals_GMM</b> Hao et al, 2009	0.87
<b>Ngals_ECGMM</b> Hao et al, 2009	0.84
<b>Lambda</b> Rozo et al, 2008	0.79

Based on MaxBCG clusters

# Legacy from Fermi

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## A meeting with Enrico Fermi

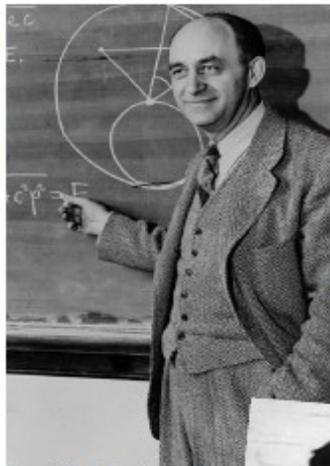
How one intuitive physicist rescued a team from fruitless research.

Froeman Dyson

One of the big turning points in my life was a meeting with Enrico Fermi in the spring of 1953. In a few minutes, Fermi politely but ruthlessly demolished a programme of research that my students and I had been pursuing for several years. He probably saved us from several more years of fruitless wandering along a road that was leading nowhere. I am eternally grateful to him for destroying our illusions and telling us the bitter truth.

Fermi was one of the great physicists of our time, outstanding both as a theorist and as an experimenter. He led the team that built the first nuclear reactor in Chicago in 1942. By 1953 he was head of the team that built the Chicago cyclotron, and was using it to explore the strong forces that hold nuclei together. He made the first accurate measurements of the scattering of mesons by protons, an experiment that gave the most direct evidence then available of the nature of the strong forces.

At that time I was a young professor of theoretical physics at Cornell University, responsible for directing the research of a small army of graduate students and postdocs. I had put them to work calculating meson-proton scattering, so that their theoretical calculations could be compared with Fermi's measurements. In 1948 and 1949 we had made similar calculations of atomic processes, using the theory of quantum electrodynamics, and found spectacular agreement between experiment and theory. Quantum electrodynamics is the theory of electrons and photons interacting through electromagnetic forces. Because the electromagnetic forces are weak, we could calculate the atomic processes precisely. By 1951, we had triumphantly finished the atomic calculations and were looking for fresh fields to conquer. We decided to use the same techniques of calculation to explore the strong nuclear forces. We began by calculating meson-proton scattering, using a theory of the strong forces known as pseudoscalar meson theory. By the spring of 1953, after heroic efforts, we had plotted theoretical graphs of meson-proton scattering. We joyfully observed that our calculated numbers agreed pretty well with Fermi's measured numbers. So I made an appointment to meet with Fermi and show him our results. Proudly, I rode the Greyhound bus from Ithaca to Chicago with



Crossed paths: A discussion with Enrico Fermi (above) made Froeman Dyson (right) change his career direction.

a package of our theoretical graphs to show to Fermi.

When I arrived in Fermi's office, I handed the graphs to Fermi, but he hardly glanced at them. He invited me to sit down, and asked me in a friendly way about the health of my wife and our newborn baby son, now fifty years old. Then he delivered his verdict in a quiet, even voice. "There are two ways of doing calculations in theoretical physics," he said. "One way, and this is the way I prefer, is to have a clear physical picture of the process that you are calculating. The other way is to have a precise and self-consistent mathematical formalism. You have neither." I was slightly stunned, but ventured to ask him why he did not consider the pseudoscalar meson theory to be a self-consistent mathematical formalism. He replied, "Quantum electrodynamics is a good theory because the forces are weak, and when the formalism is ambiguous we have a clear physical picture to guide us. With the pseudoscalar meson theory there is no

physical picture, and the forces are so strong that nothing converges. To reach your calculated results, you had to introduce arbitrary cut-off procedures that are not based either on solid physics or on solid mathematics."

He was not impressed by the agreement between our calculated numbers and his measured numbers. He replied, "How many arbitrary parameters did you use for your calculations?" I thought for a moment about our cut-off procedure and said, "Four." He said, "I remember my friend Johnny von Neumann used to say, with four parameters I can fit an elephant, and with five I can make him wiggle his trunk." With that, the conversation was over. I thanked Fermi for his time and trouble, and sadly took the bus back to Ithaca to tell the bad news to the students. Because it was important for the students to have their names in a published paper, we did not abandon our calculations immediately. We finished them and



wrote a long paper that was duly published in the *Physical Review* with all our names on it. Then we dispersed to find other lines of work. I escaped to Berkeley, California, to start a new career in condensed-matter physics.

Looking back after fifty years, we can clearly see that Fermi was right. The crucial discovery that made sense of the strong forces was the quark. Mesons and protons are little bags of quarks. Before Murray Gell-Mann discovered quarks, no theory of the strong forces could possibly have been adequate. Fermi knew nothing about quarks, and died before they were discovered. But somehow he knew that something essential was missing in the meson theories of the 1950s. His physical intuition told him that the pseudoscalar meson theory could not be right. And so it was Fermi's intuition, and not any discrepancy between theory and experiment, that saved me and my students from getting stuck in a blind alley.

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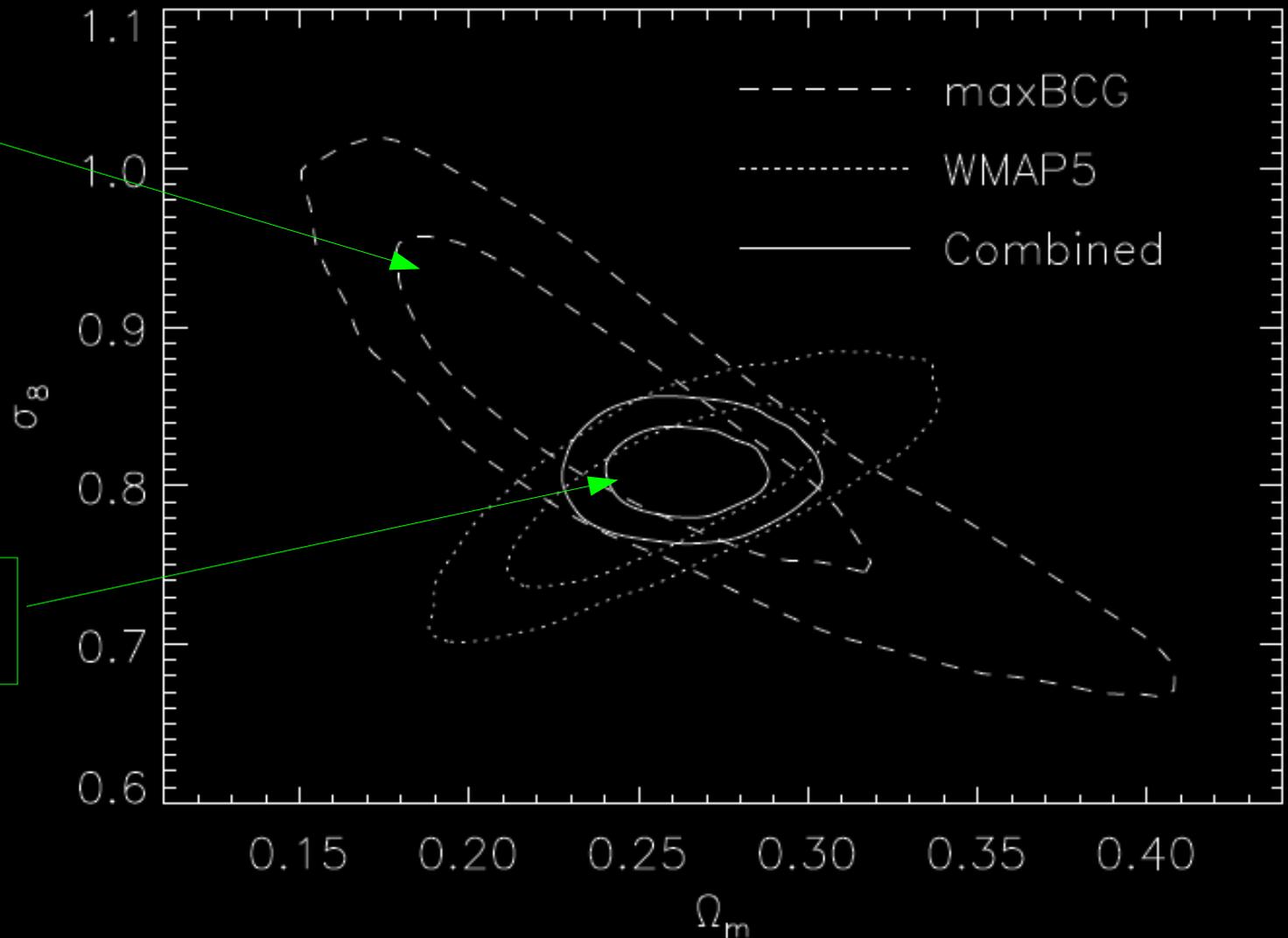
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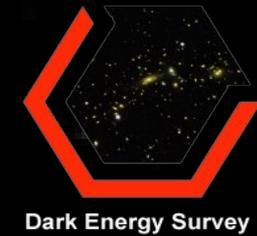
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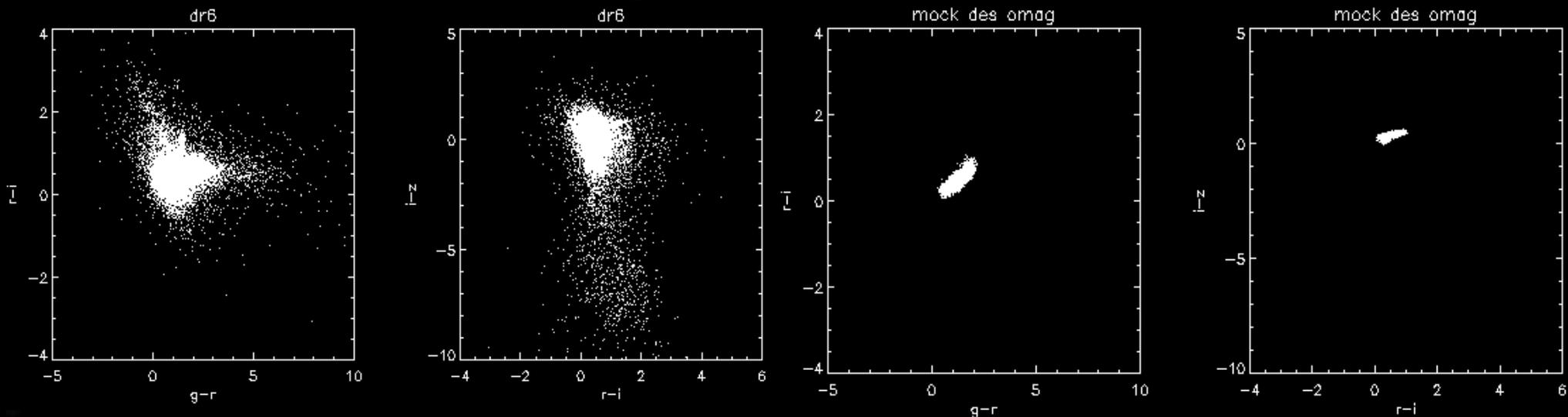
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# Getting ready for DES



## 2. Applying GMBCG to DES Mock Catalog



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