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Towards the first gamma rays from Galaxy Clusters: Searches for Cosmic Rays and Dark Matter

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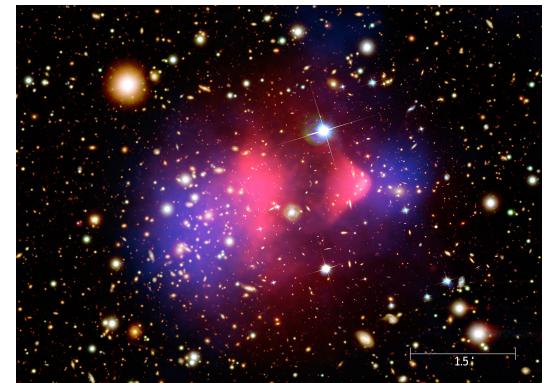
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Outline

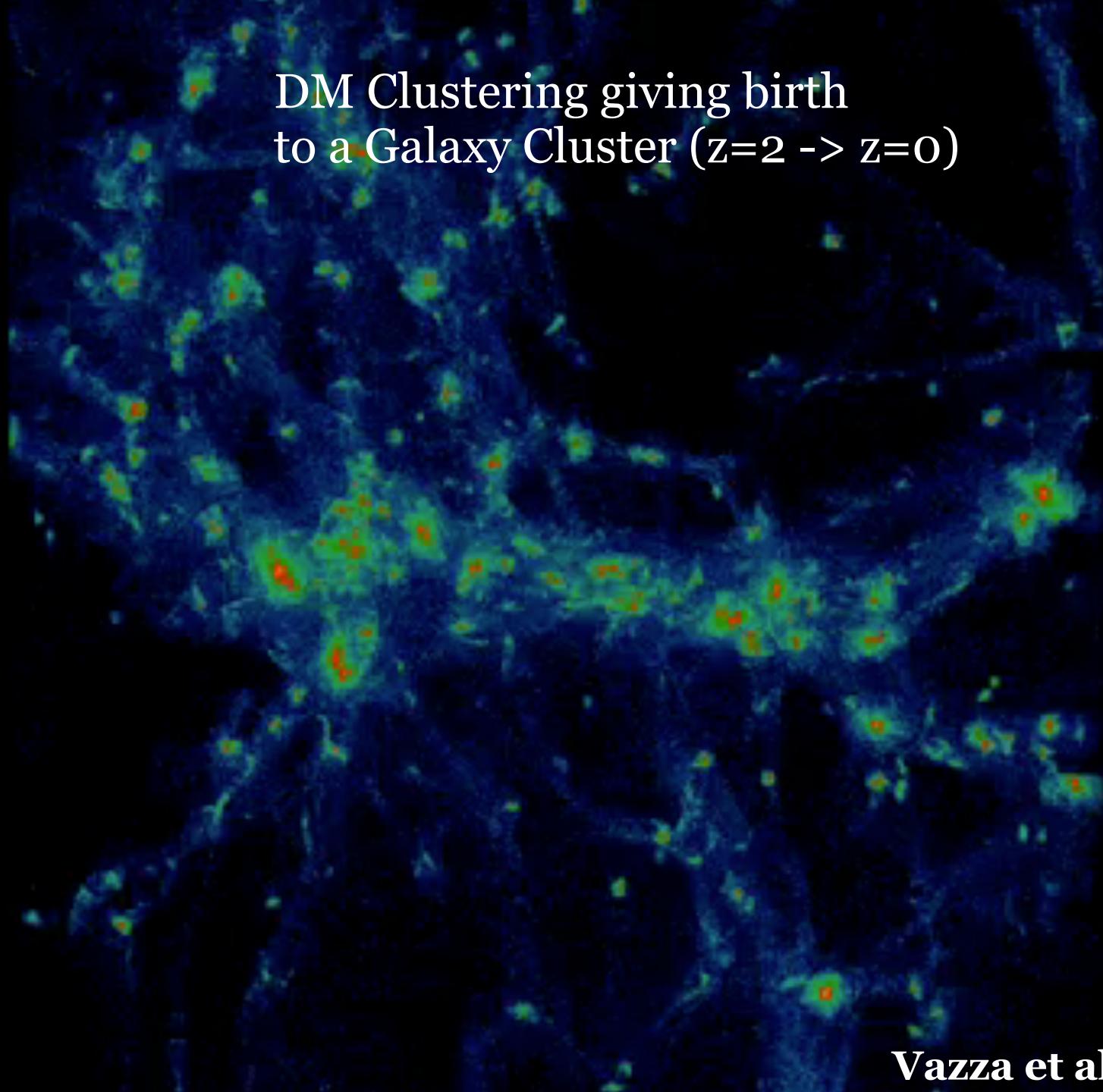
- Galaxy Clusters and Dark Matter
- Fermi-LAT & Gamma Ray Sky
- DM Searches in clusters
- CR-induced Gamma Rays in clusters and implications of non-detection

A Galaxy cluster primer

- largest and most massive gravitationally bound systems in the universe ($r_{200} \sim \text{Mpc}$, $M \sim 10^{14}-10^{18} M_{\odot}$)
- DM dominated systems -> original discovery of Dark Matter by Fritz Zwicky (1933)
 - DM is directly observed through gravitational lensing
- believed to have form through hierarchical structure formation
 - accretion of baryonic matter onto gravitational wells of DM
 - merger events
- most baryonic matter is in form of hot gas (10^4 K)

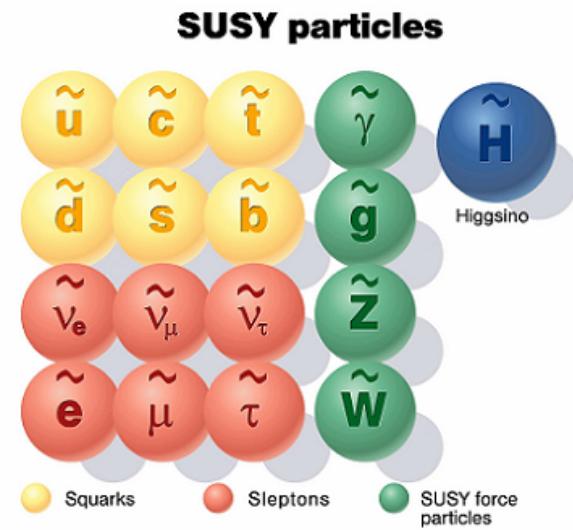
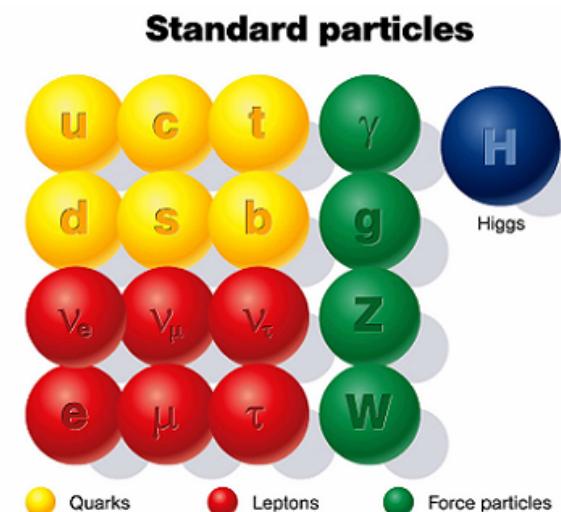


DM Clustering giving birth
to a Galaxy Cluster ($z=2 \rightarrow z=0$)

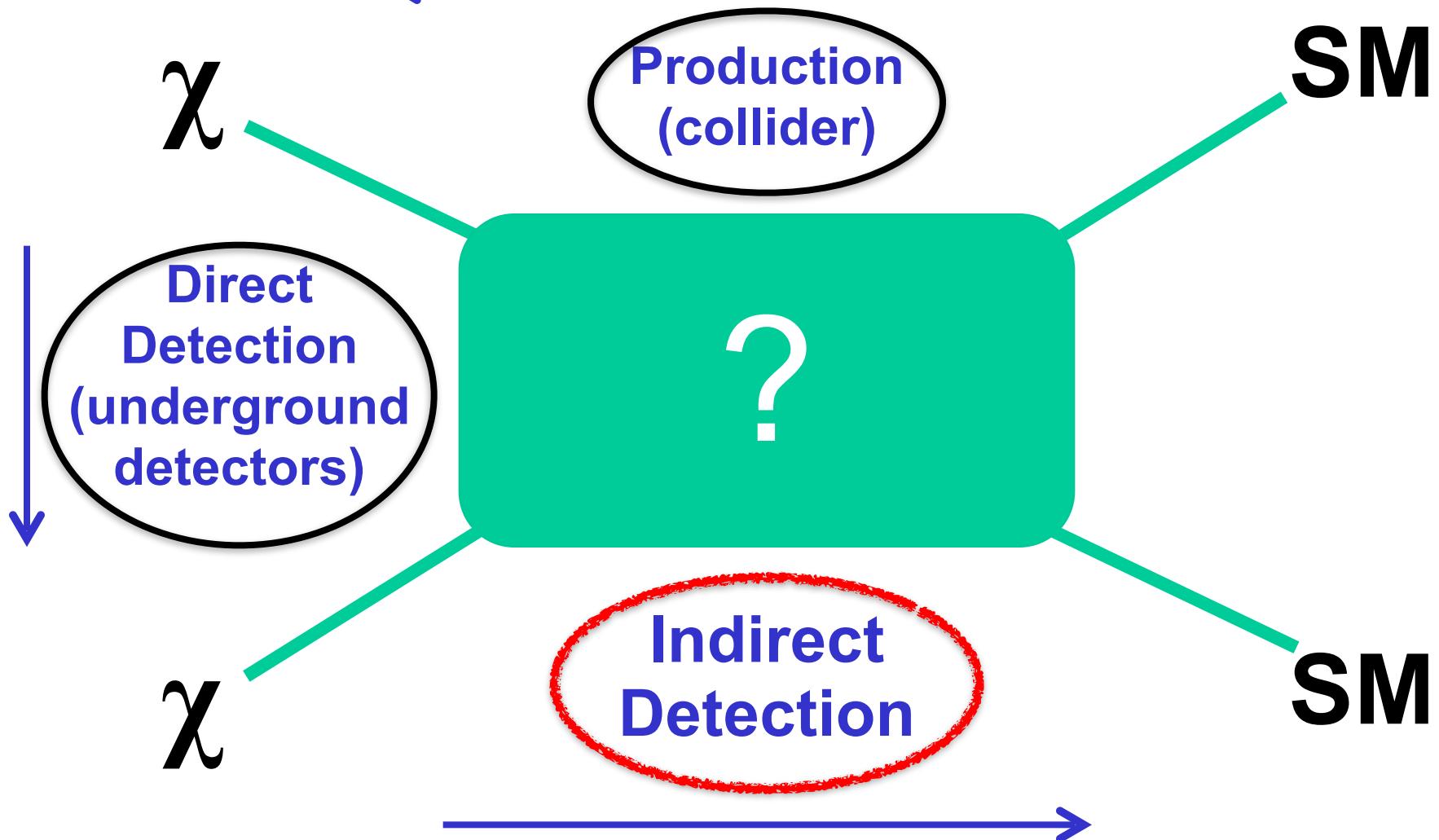


WIMP Dark Matter

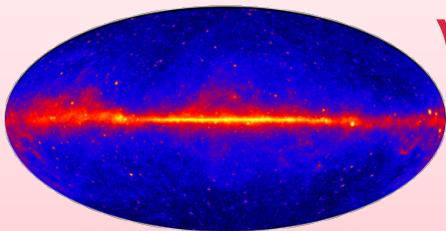
- DM must be massive, cannot interact strongly/electromagnetically (with SM particles)
- neutrinos would be ideal candidates, but too light & not abundant enough
- SM extensions (e.g. SUSY) provide natural* WIMP candidates



Detecting WIMPs



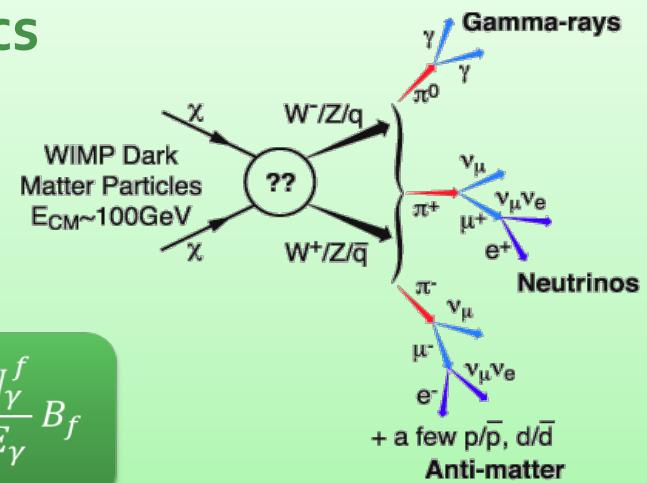
DM-induced γ Rays



γ -ray flux

$$\Phi_{WIMP}(E_\gamma, \psi)$$

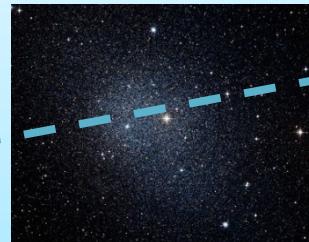
Particle Physics



$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\langle \sigma_{ann} v \rangle}{2m_{WIMP}^2} \sum_f \frac{dN_\gamma^f}{dE_\gamma} B_f$$

x

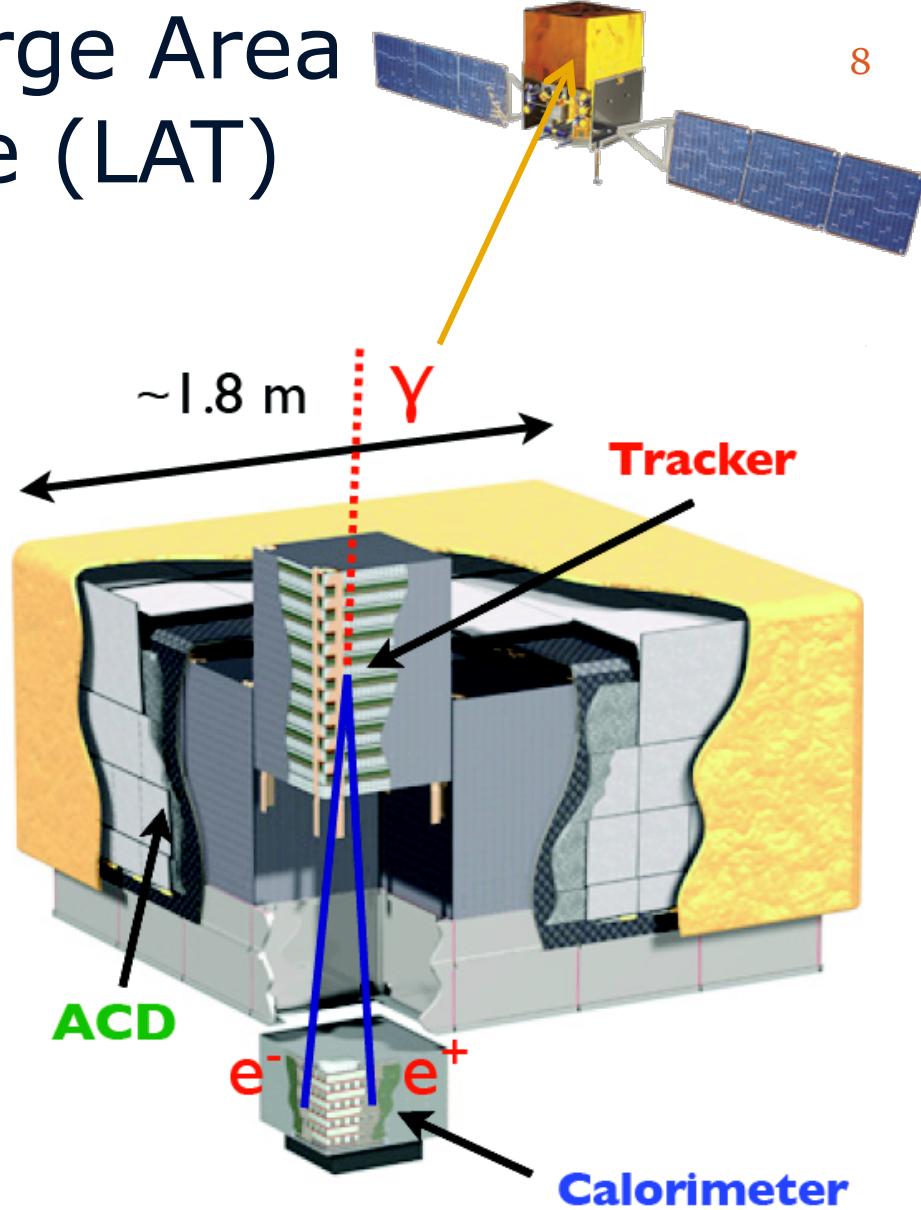
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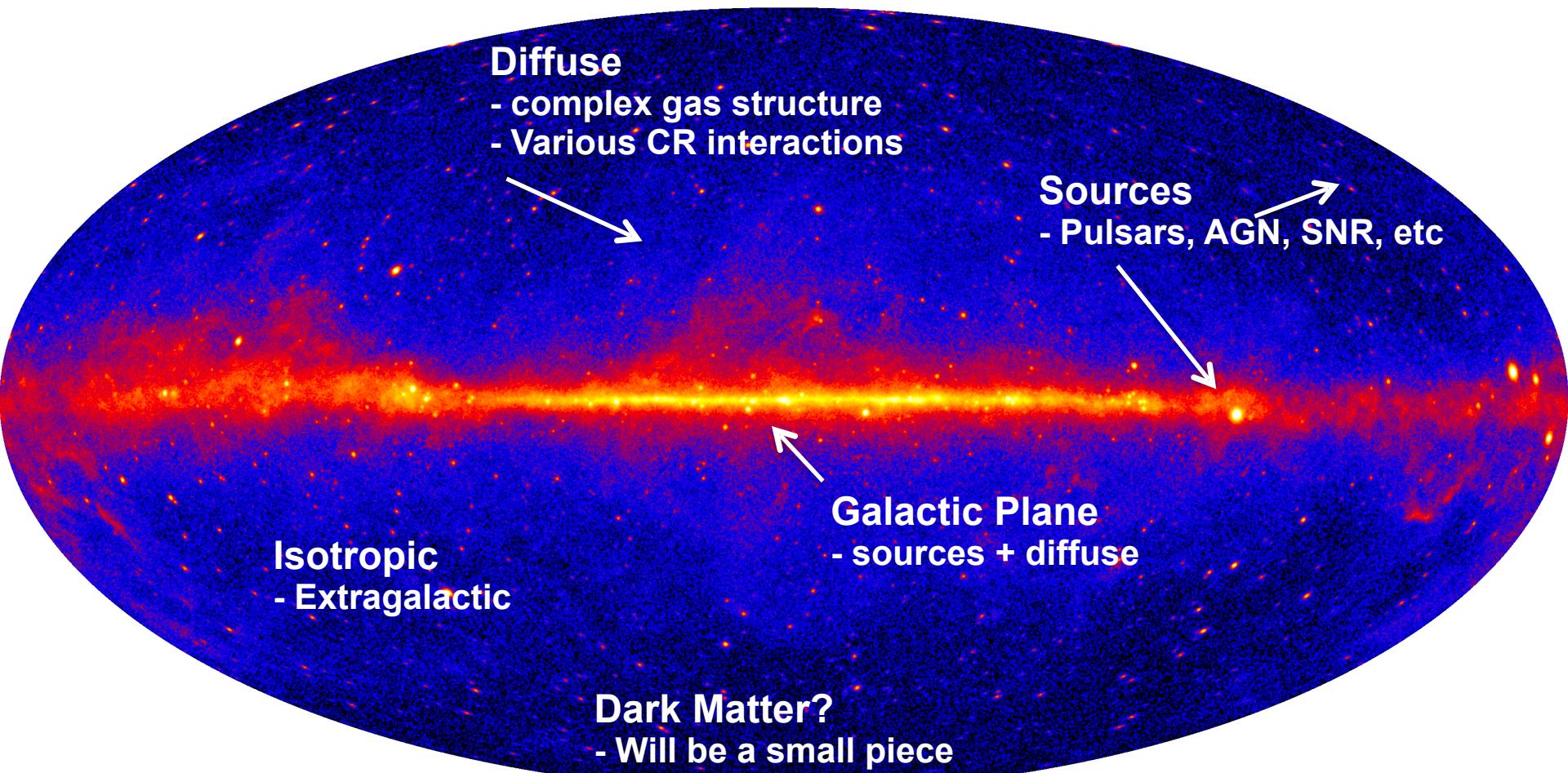
Dark Matter Distribution
“Astrophysical factor” or “J-factor”

Fermi Large Area Telescope (LAT)

- Launch: Jun 11, 2008
 - 5 years in orbit
- Pair conversion technique
 - 20 MeV to >300 GeV
- Principle Mode of Operation:
 - Survey (all-sky coverage every 2 orbits, 3hrs)
- Energy resolution $\sim 10\%$
- PSF 1° @ 500 MeV
- PS sensitivity: $F > 3 \times 10^{-9}$ ph/cm²/s

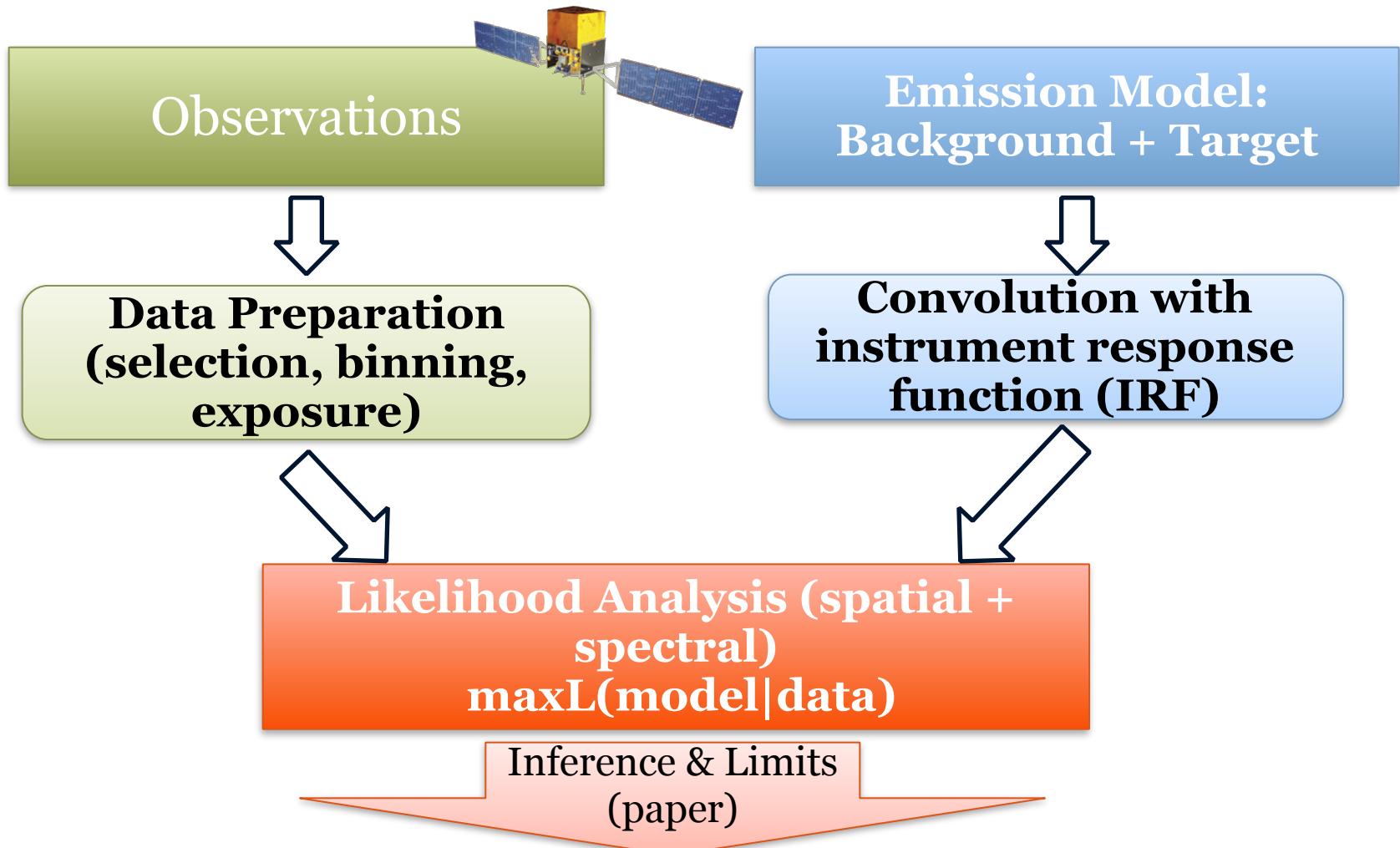


Fermi LAT Gamma-ray Sky



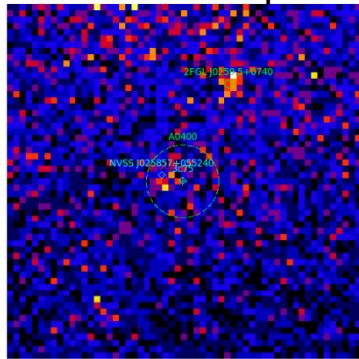
Nature has given us a rich and complicated gamma-ray sky!

Interlude: LAT analysis

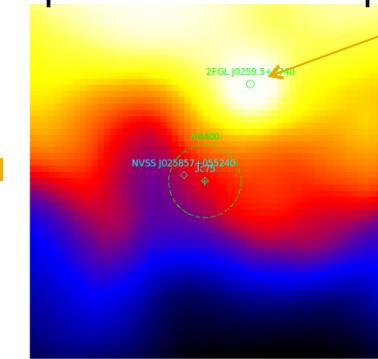


Interlude: LAT analysis (2)

Counts map

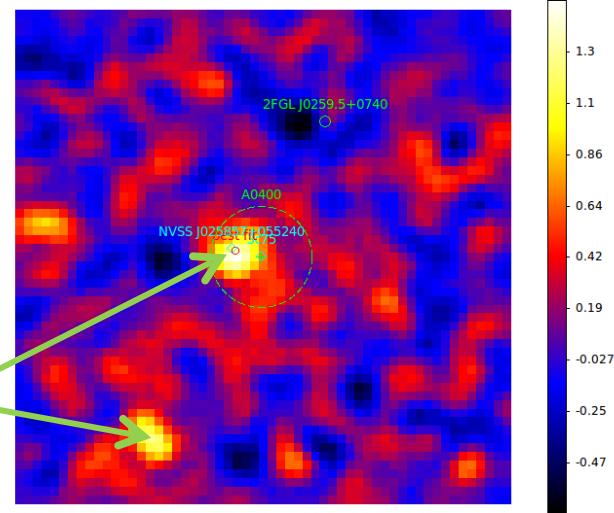


Spatial Model Map

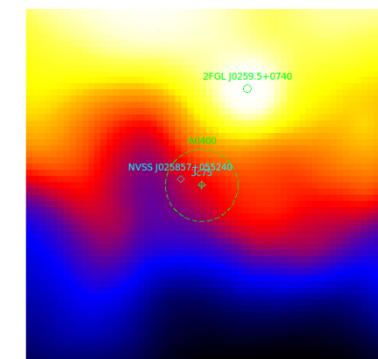


(modeled) point source

Spatial Residual Map



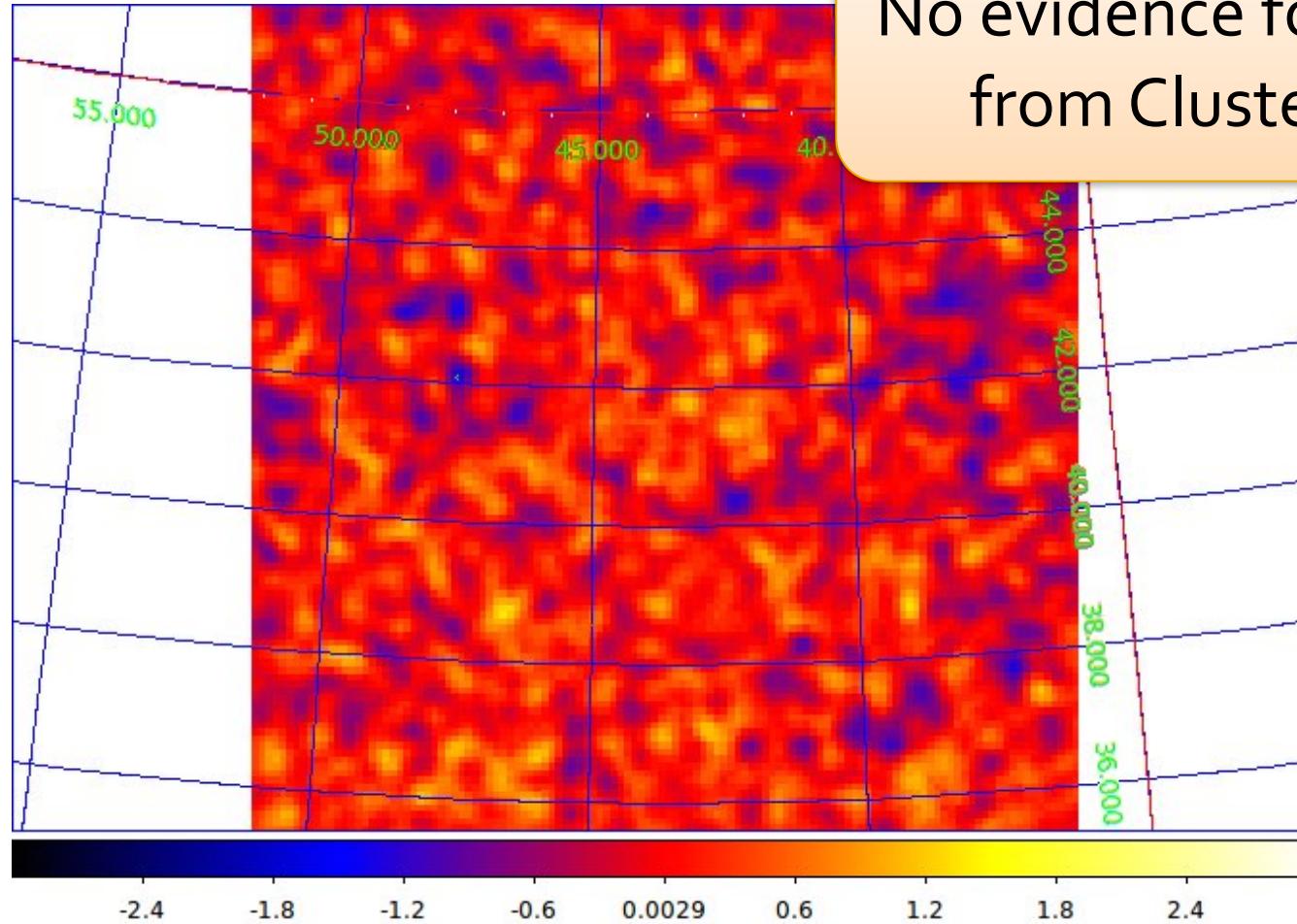
Spatial Model Map



Excess in data!

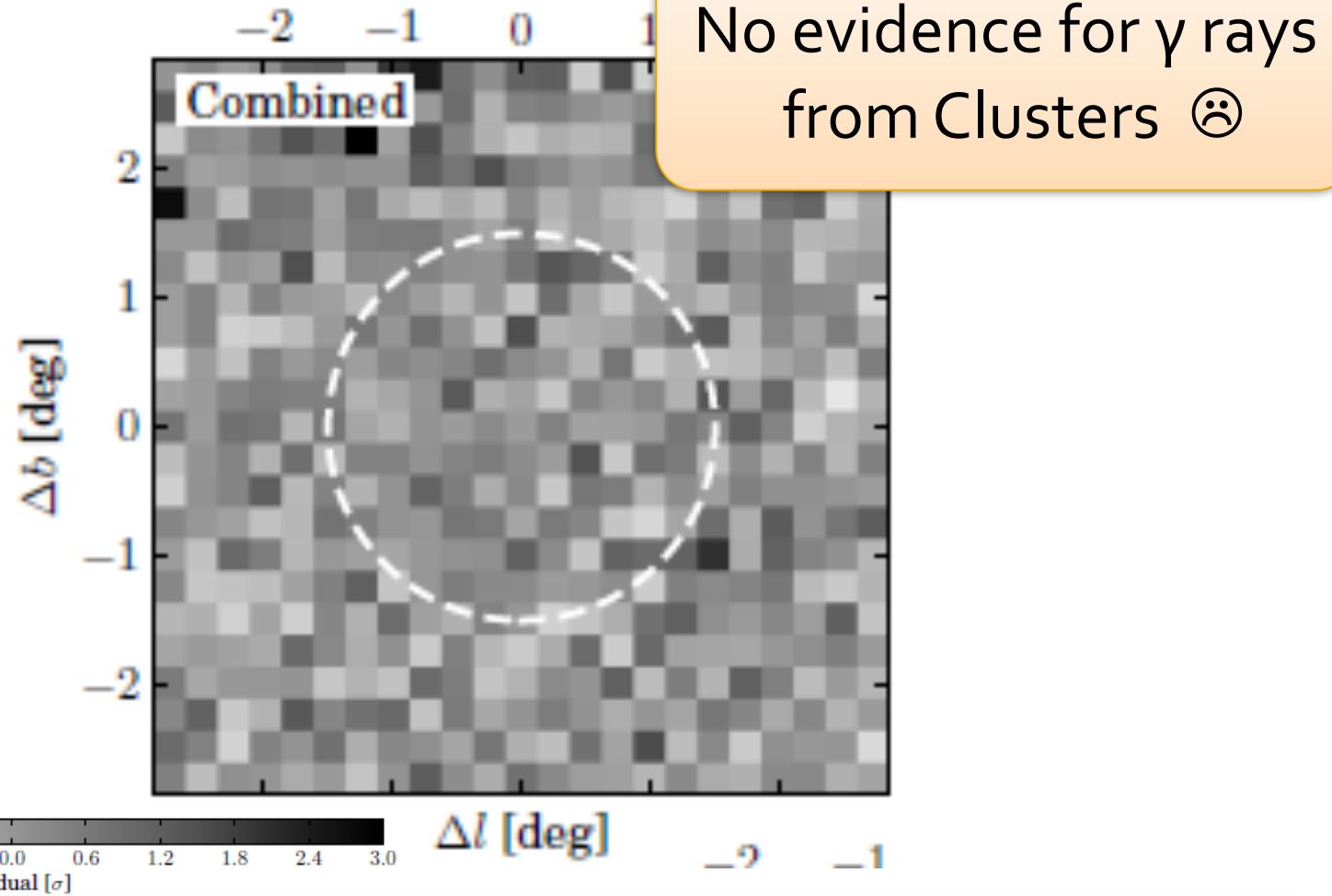
IF good background model (= smooth maps) -> calculate upper limits on astrophysical quantities, e.g. flux of a source

STEP 1: Can simply stack many residual maps on top of each other



Stacked Residual Map from 5 clusters, 2 years of data SZ+ (for Fermi-LAT Coll., 1110.6863)

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Better than stacking: Joint Likelihood Analysis

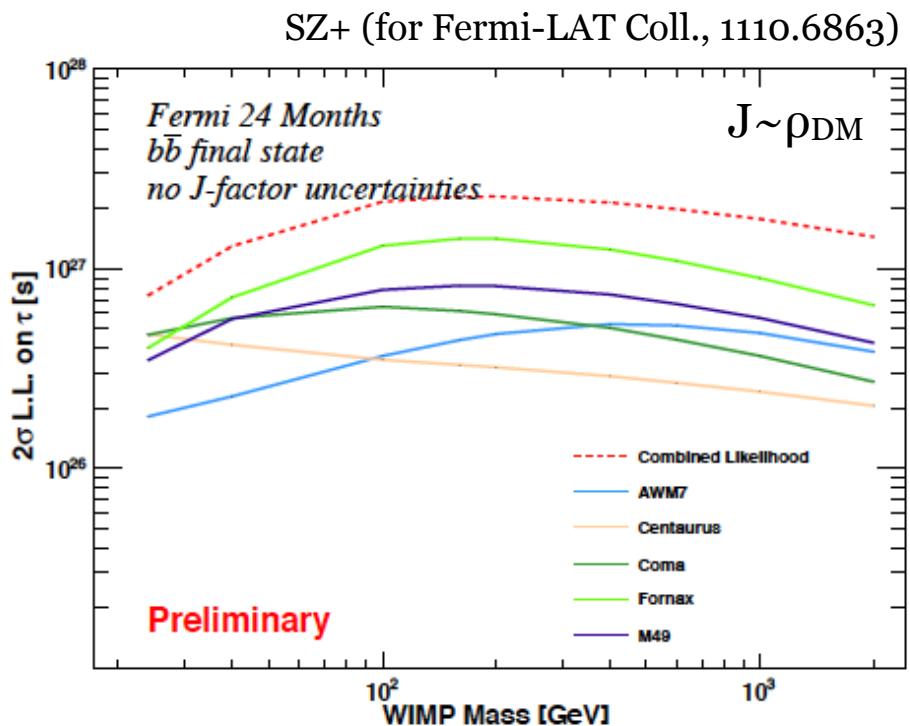
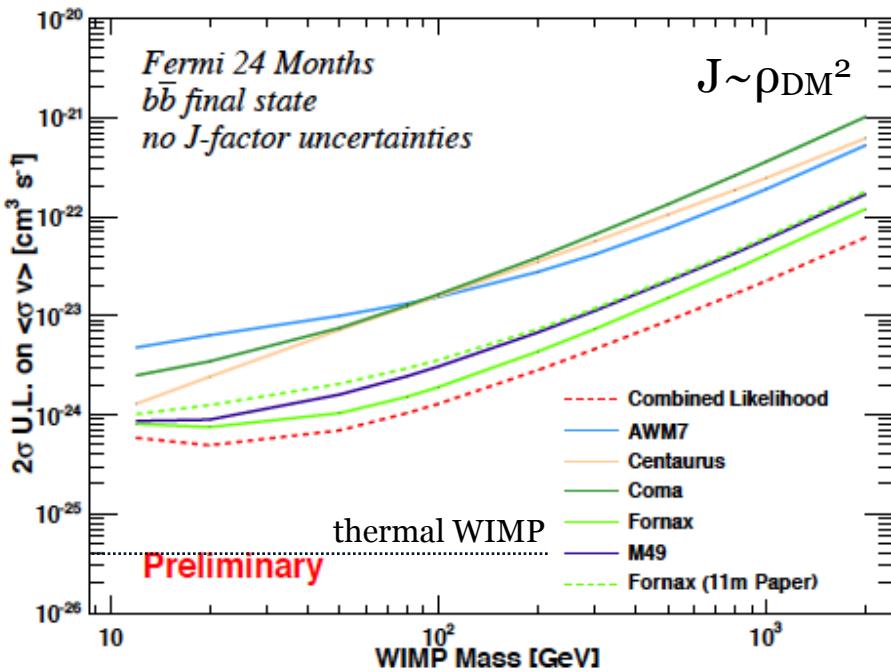
- Basic assumption: class of sources can be described by one or more **common** parameters “x”
- Optimize each **individual likelihood** before combining them

$$L(x|D) = \prod_i L_i(x_i, b_i, c|D_i)$$

$$\log L(x|D) = \sum_i \log L_i(x_i, b_i, c|D_i)$$

- Use **profile likelihood** method to treat nuisance parameters (e.g. normalization of diffuse emission, background sources)
- Initial analysis in Fermi: **joint dwarf constraints**,
Ackermann et al. PRL 107 (2011)

First joint likelihood analysis Annihilation & Decay (2 years of data)

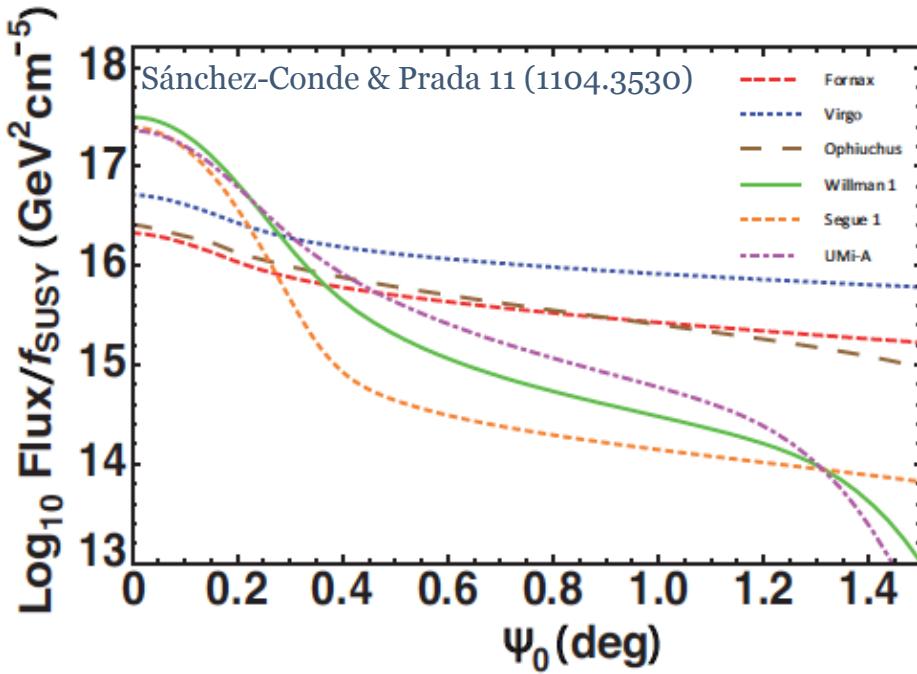


But: No J-factor uncertainties &
clusters treated as point sources

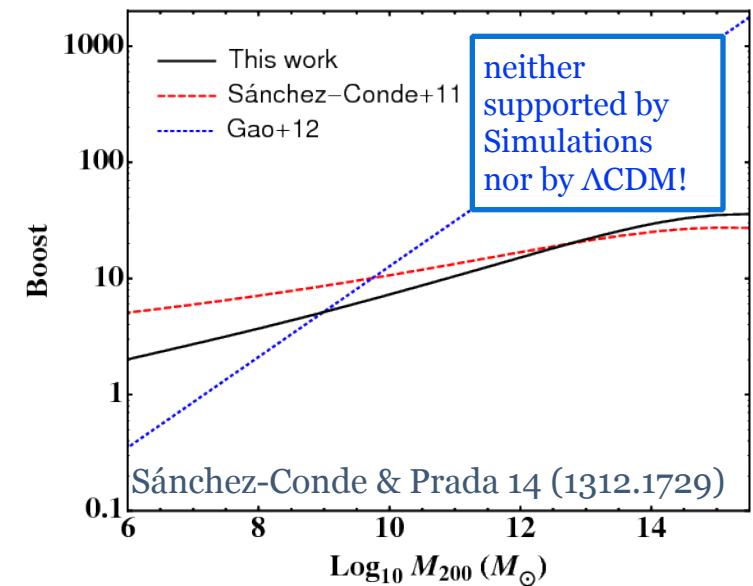


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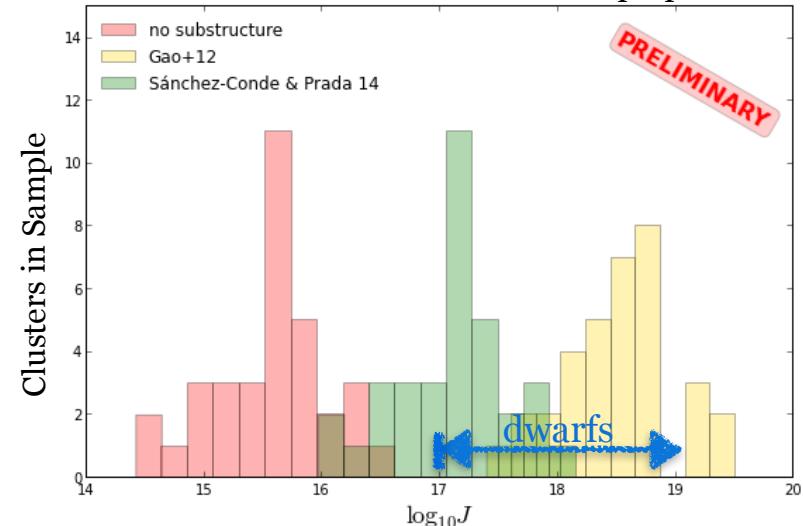
Challenge: Substructure



- largest uncertainty in cluster DM limits
- Extrapolation below mass resolution uncertain:
- powerlaw (Gao+12) vs. Λ CDM (Sánchez-Conde & Prada, 14)
- less important for decay!

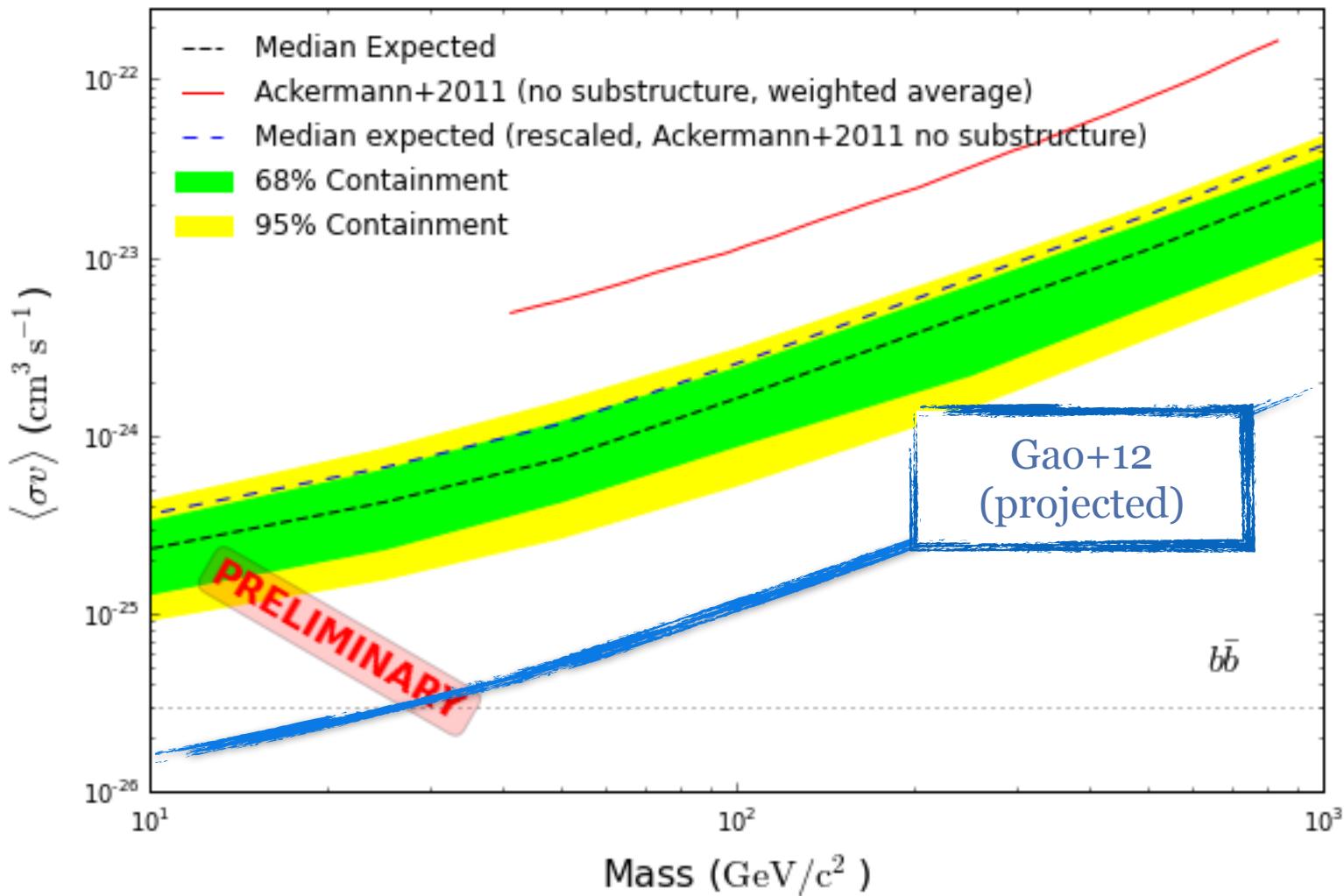


Ackermann et al. (Fermi-LAT Coll. in preparation)

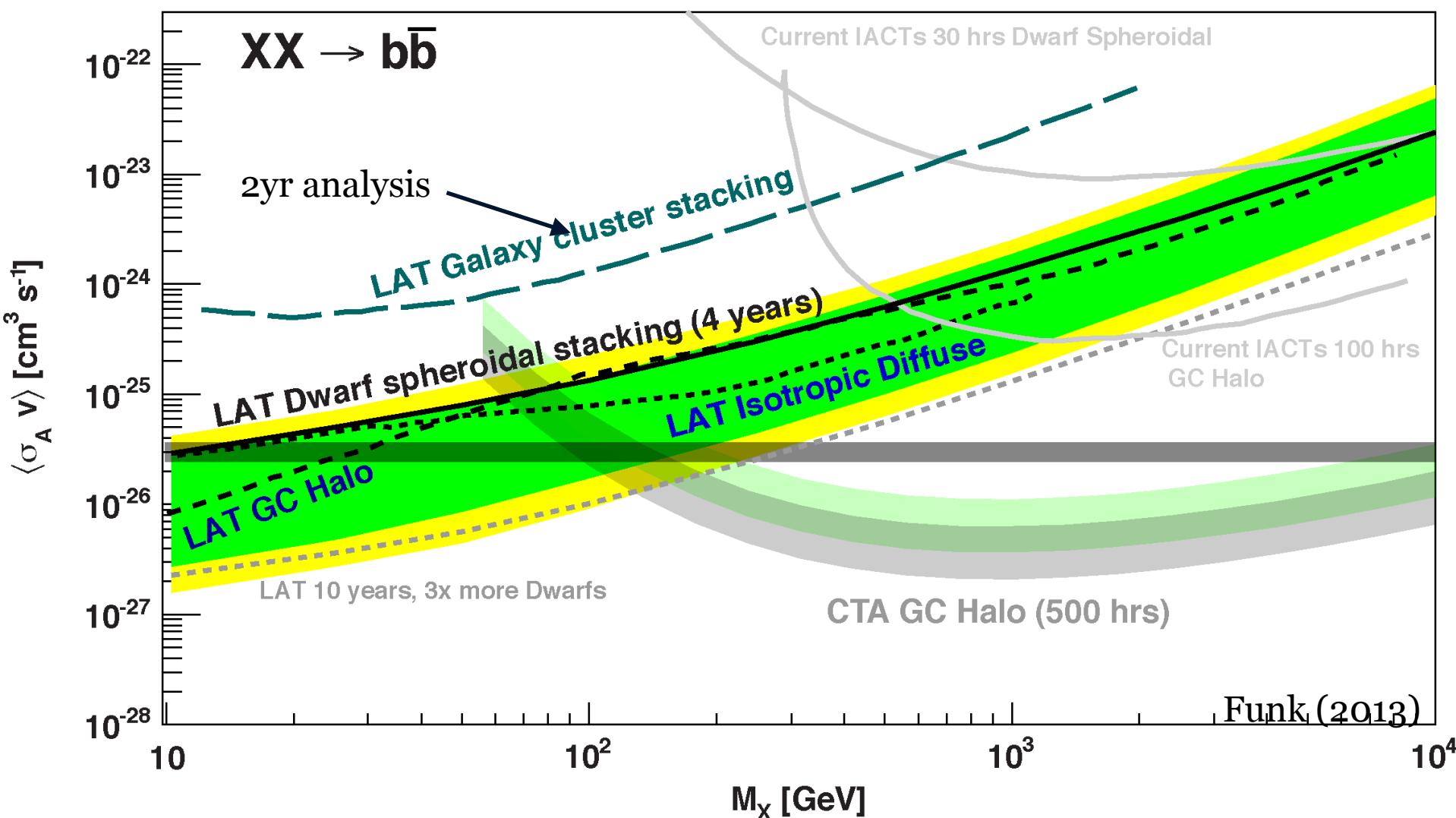


Expected Sensitivity (5 yrs) (Annihilation case)

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Comparison w/ other targets



DM from clusters: summary

- NO DM-induced γ -rays has been found from clusters (yet)*
- level of substructure may enhance the predicted γ -ray flux by a factor of ~ 100
- generally less important for decay
- detection prospects are OK, but limits are not competitive with e.g. dwarfs - complementary targets

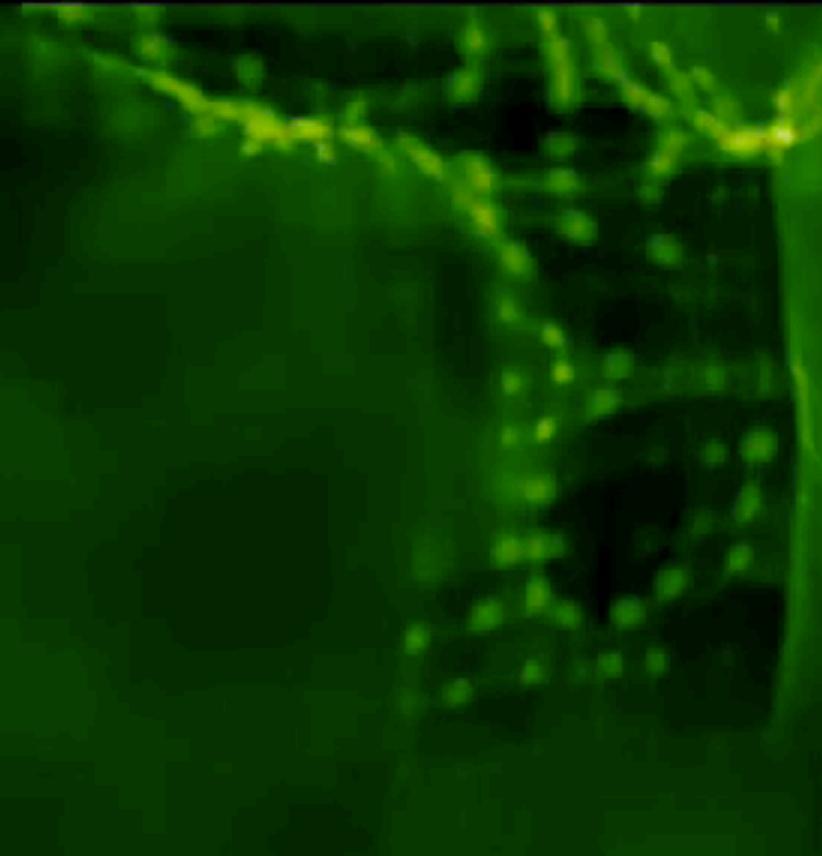
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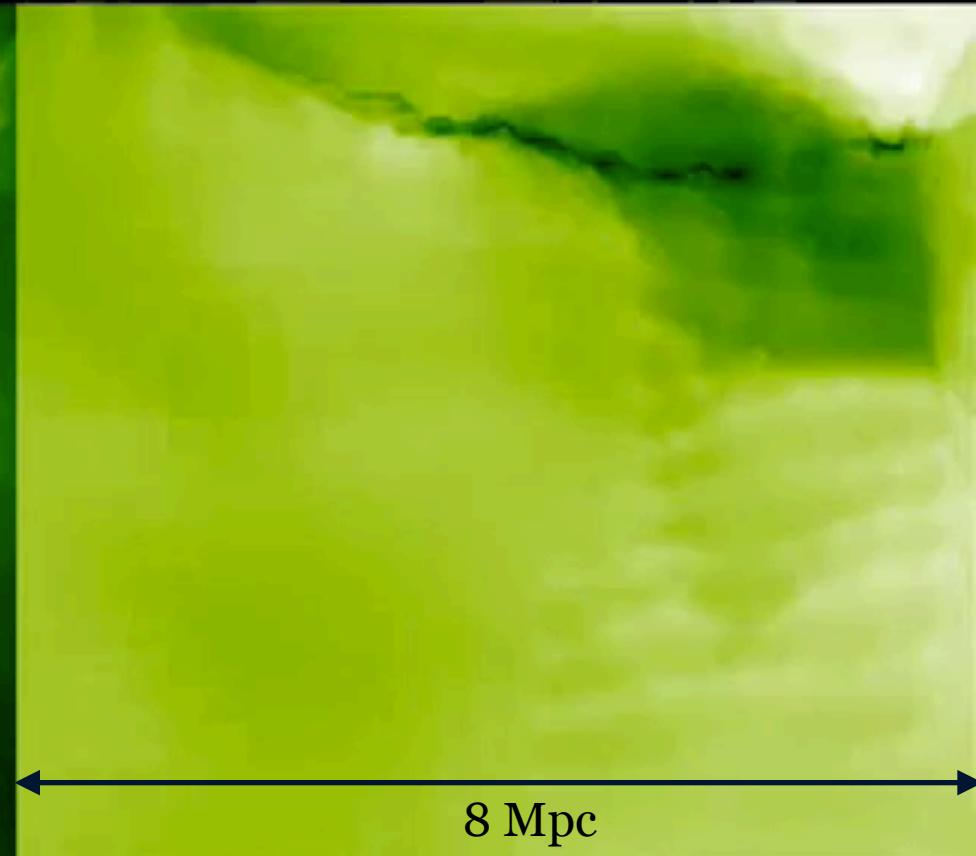
So what about baryonic matter in clusters?
(remember hot thermal gas)

Galaxy cluster evolution in a hydrodynamical simulation ($z=10 \rightarrow z=0$)

Gas density

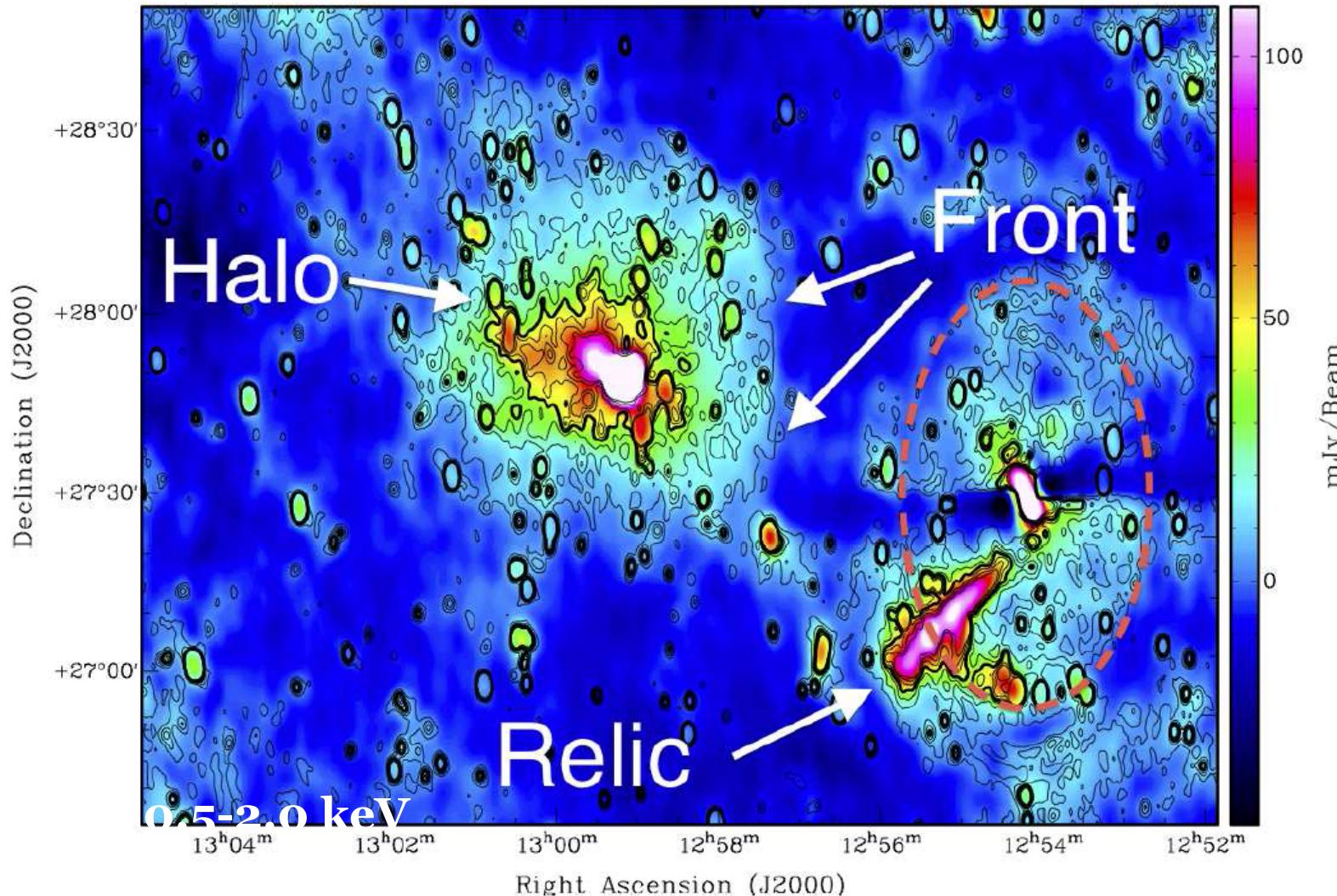


Gas velocity



The puzzle: GHz radio features on top of thermal X-rays

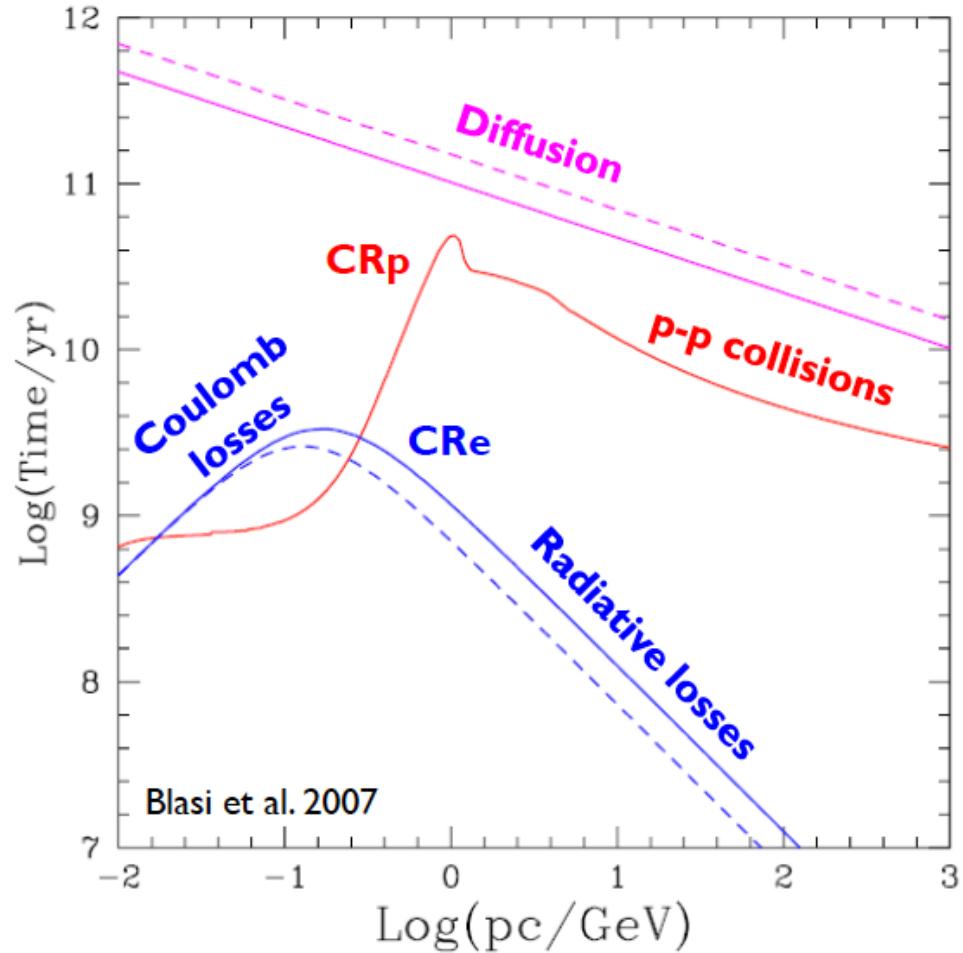
Brown & Rudnick (2010)



Clusters are unique CR reservoirs

CR electrons loose energy fast -> if they cause GHz emission, need to be constantly replenished

CR protons accumulate within cluster over Gyrs & carry integrated history of cluster formation



CR Population & Processes in Clusters

Energy Sources:

kinetic energy from structure

supernovae & active galactic

turbulent cascade & plasma waves

shock

Plasma processes:

Relativistic particle pop.:

Observational diagnostics:

Gamma Rays are guaranteed to be produced!

π^0

e⁻ e⁺

radio synchrotron emission

Observed

IC: hard X-ray
 γ -ray emission

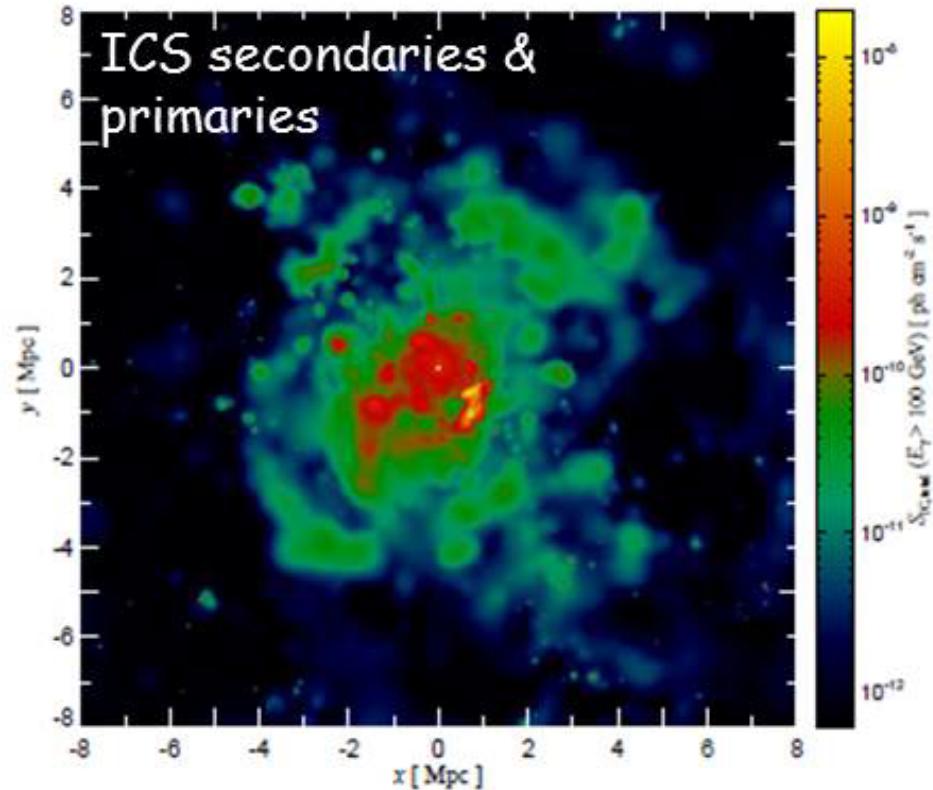
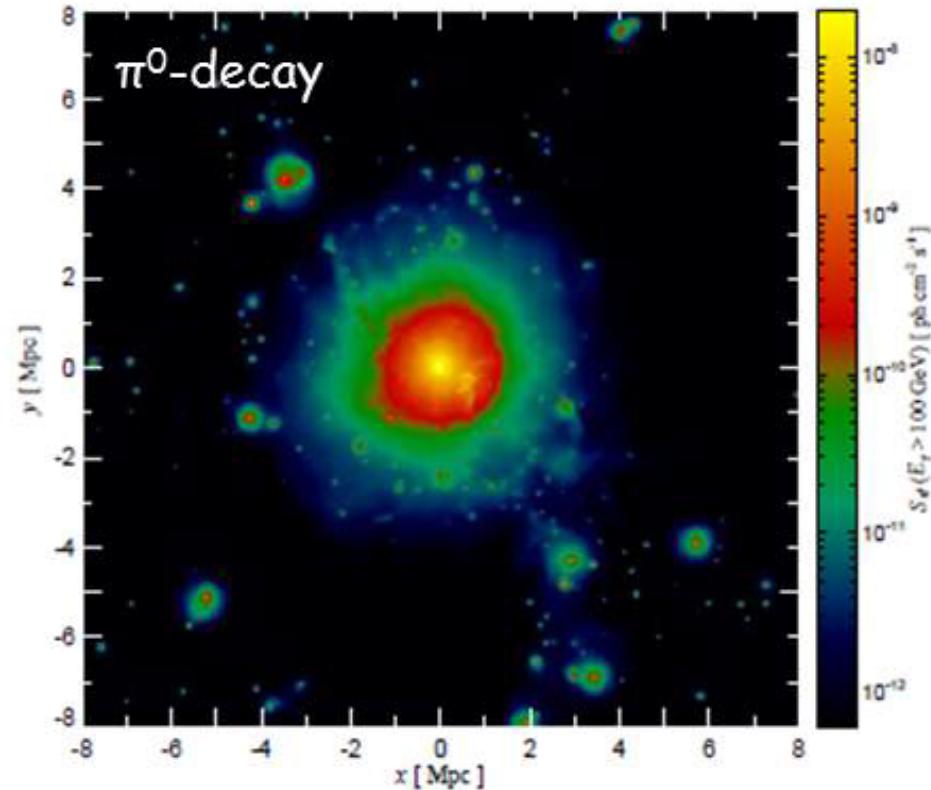
Not observed

γ -ray emission

Not observed

Predicted Gamma-Ray emission (universal model)

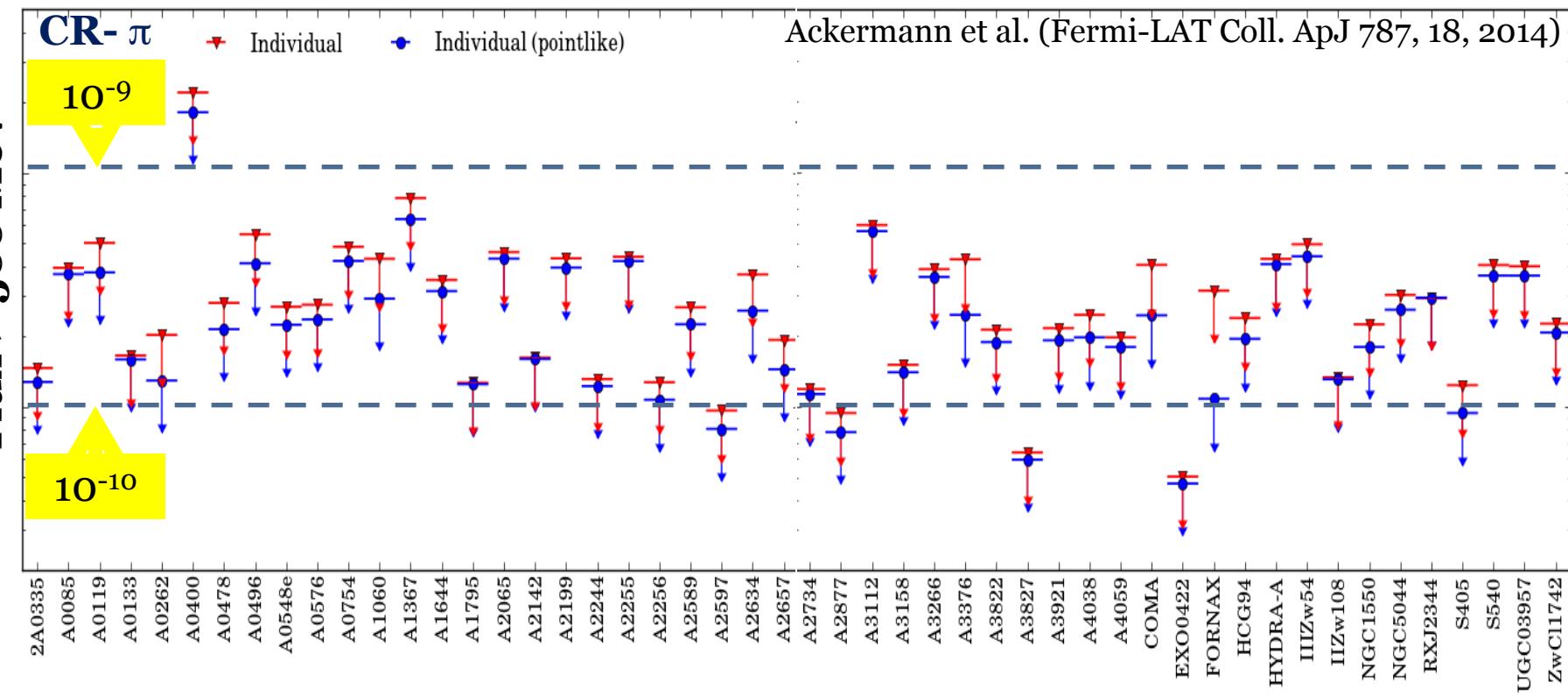
Pinzke & Pfrommer (2010)



take-away point:

neutral pion decay should dominate γ -ray spectrum, emission signature is **universal** wrt. mass or age

However - No Gamma Rays seen (50 clusters, 4 years)*



* we may have detected γ -rays from individual (radio) galaxies

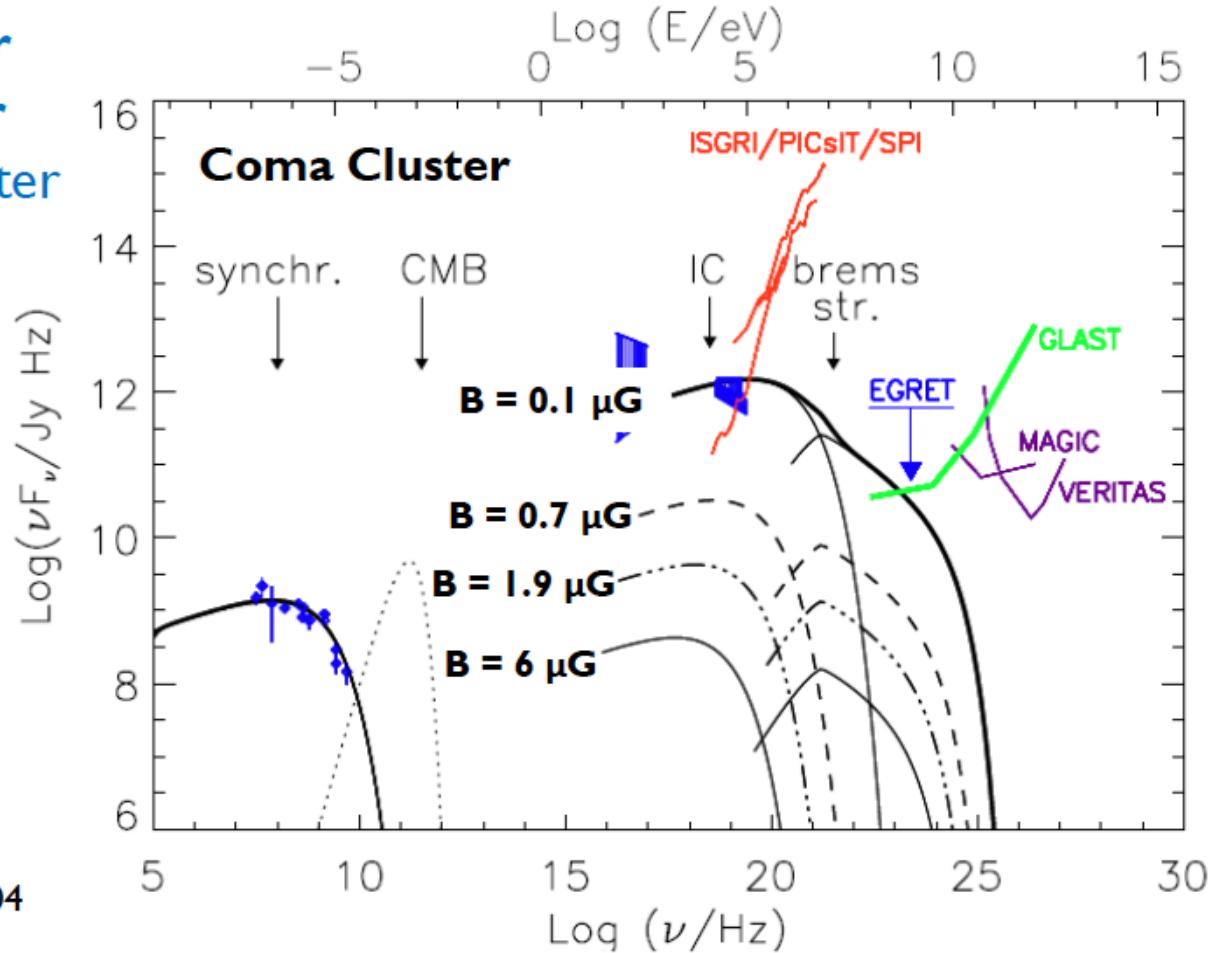
Implications of Non-detections

- Recall universality of CR spectrum from simulations -> use joint likelihood technique
- assuming bulk of gamma-rays come from CRp interactions, efficiencies must be significantly lower than e.g. SNR (<20%)
- CR / thermal pressure < 1% (for CR protons)
- accretion shocks don't play any effective role
- hadronic models severely challenged to explain radio emission!

Full details:
Ackermann et al. 2014, ApJ, 787, 18

Implications of Non-detection

High-energy upper limits imply lower limits on intracluster magnetic field

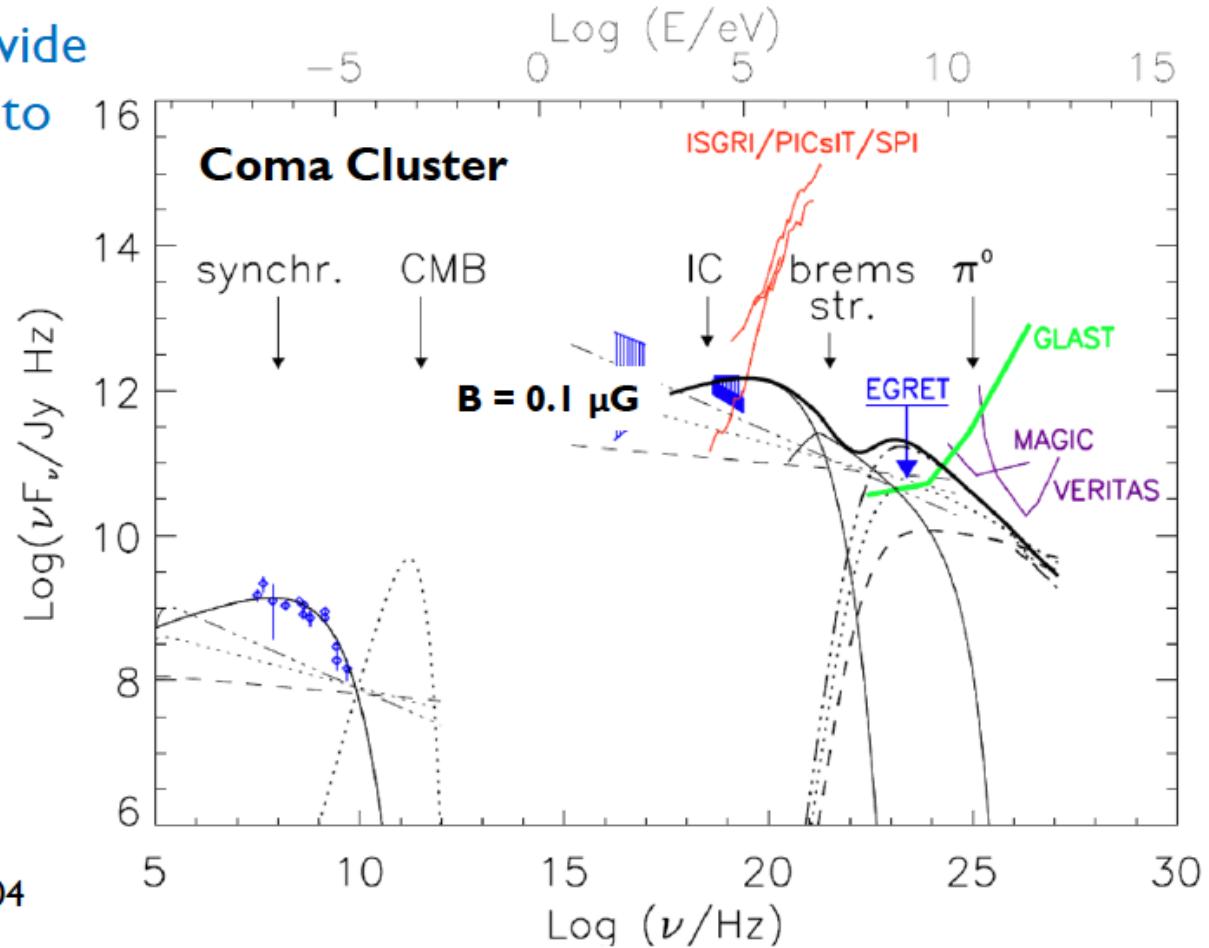


Reimer et al. 2004

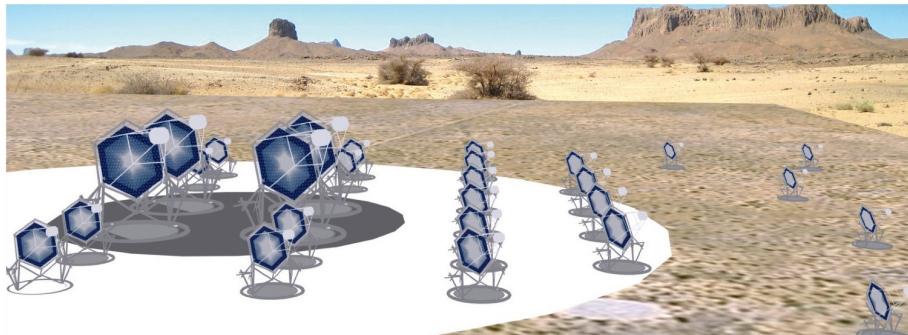
Implications of Non-detection

**Gamma rays provide
most direct access to
CR protons**

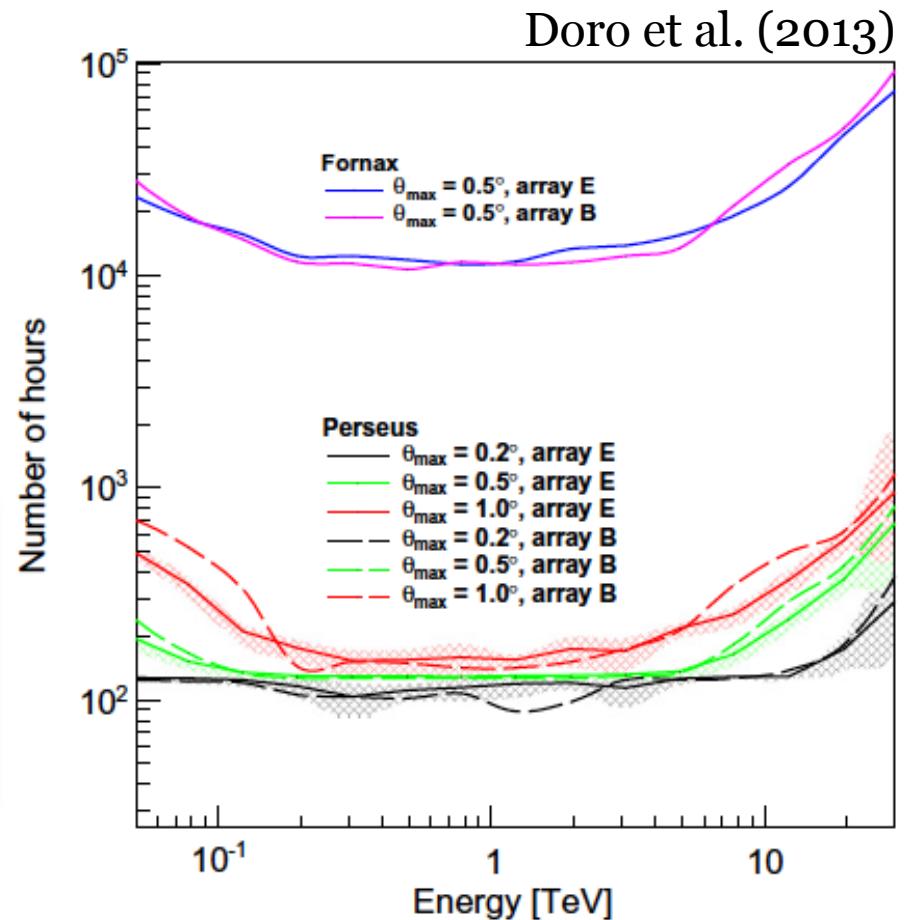
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Prospects for CTA?

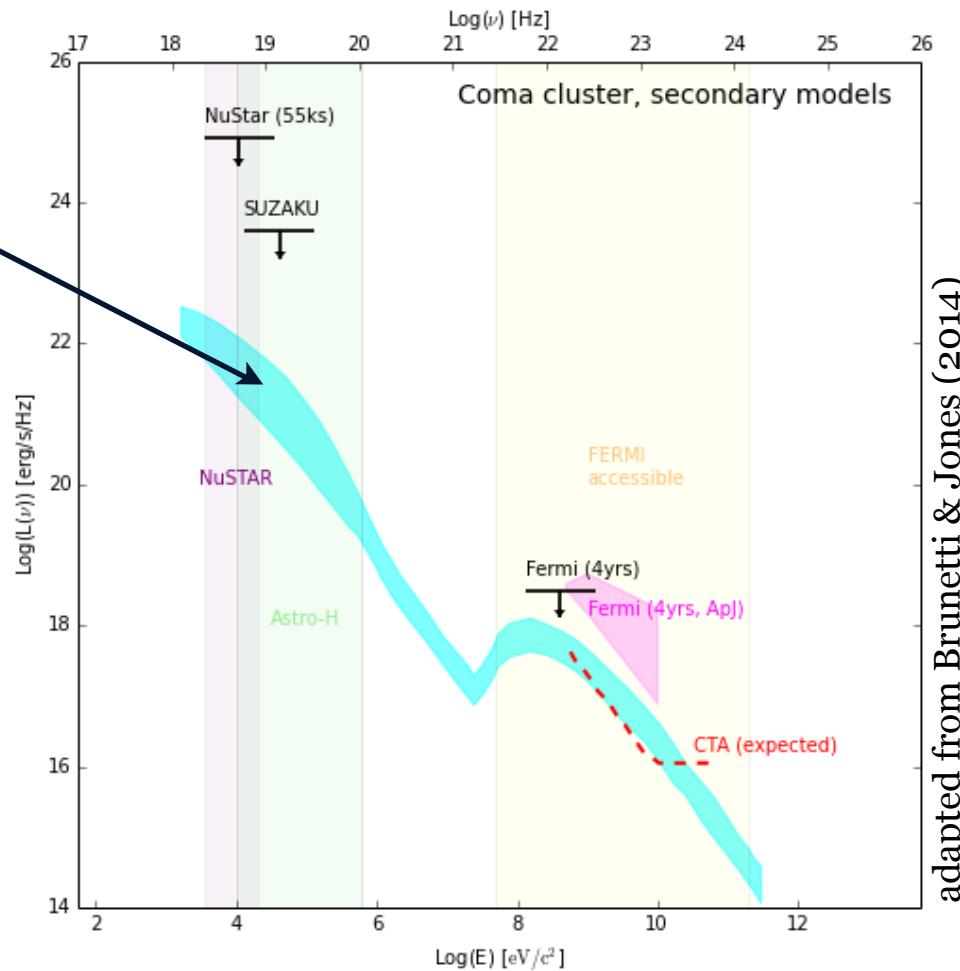


could detect gamma-rays from Perseus if focused on single cluster for O(100-200) hours?

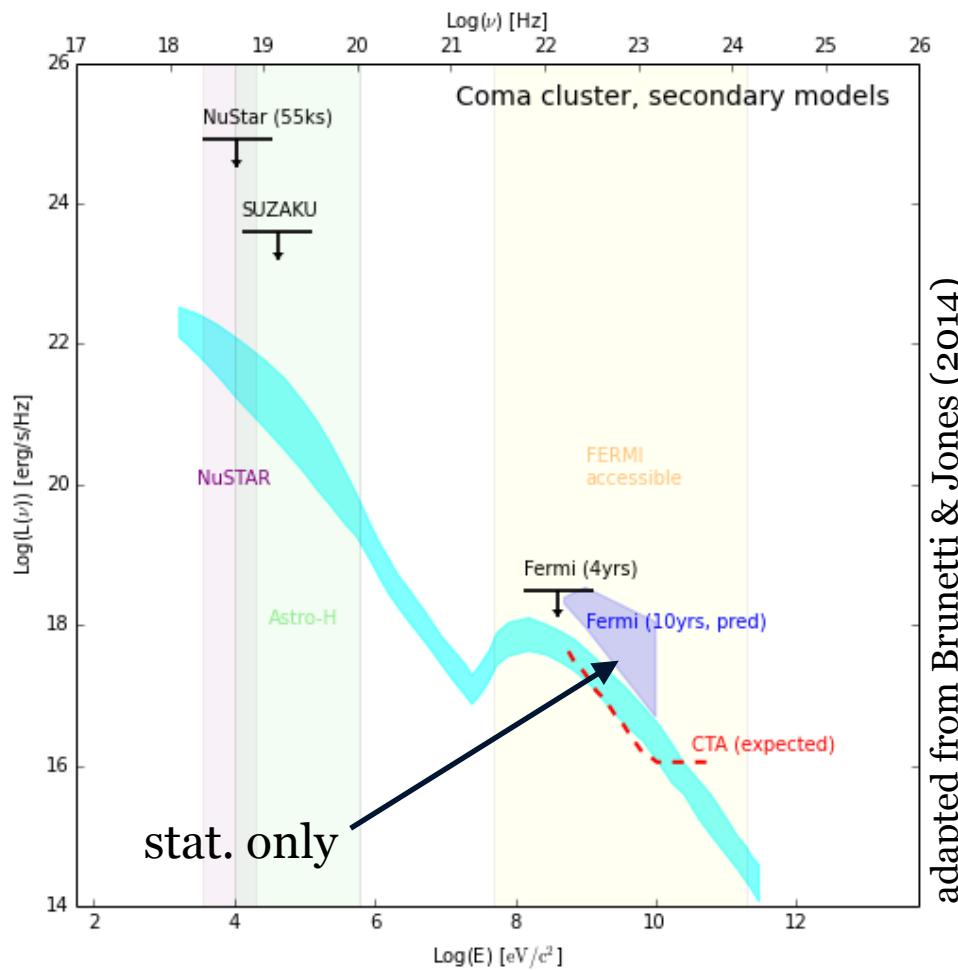


What if radio emission comes from secondaries?

Allowed secondary models which don't conflict with radio ($B_{\text{core}} \sim 4\text{-}5\mu\text{G}$)



What if radio emission comes from secondaries?



Beyond Coma



LOFAR will (hopefully) detect many more relics & halos!

Summary & Conclusions

- Gamma rays are predicted from clusters both for DM scenarios as well as from conventional astrophysics
 - DM limits not terribly competitive, but provide complementarity
 - become competitive for DM-decay $J \sim \rho$
- Radio features in clusters observed but origin unclear
- Gamma-ray non-detection severely constrains hadronic models
 - acceleration in accretion shocks less efficient (<21%)
 - CR/thermal pressure ratio < 1%
- Future experiments?
 - CTA could have potential to detect gamma-rays from Perseus if accumulating $O(100-200)$ hrs of observations \$\$
 - LOFAR may help by detecting more radio features

Thanks for Listening!

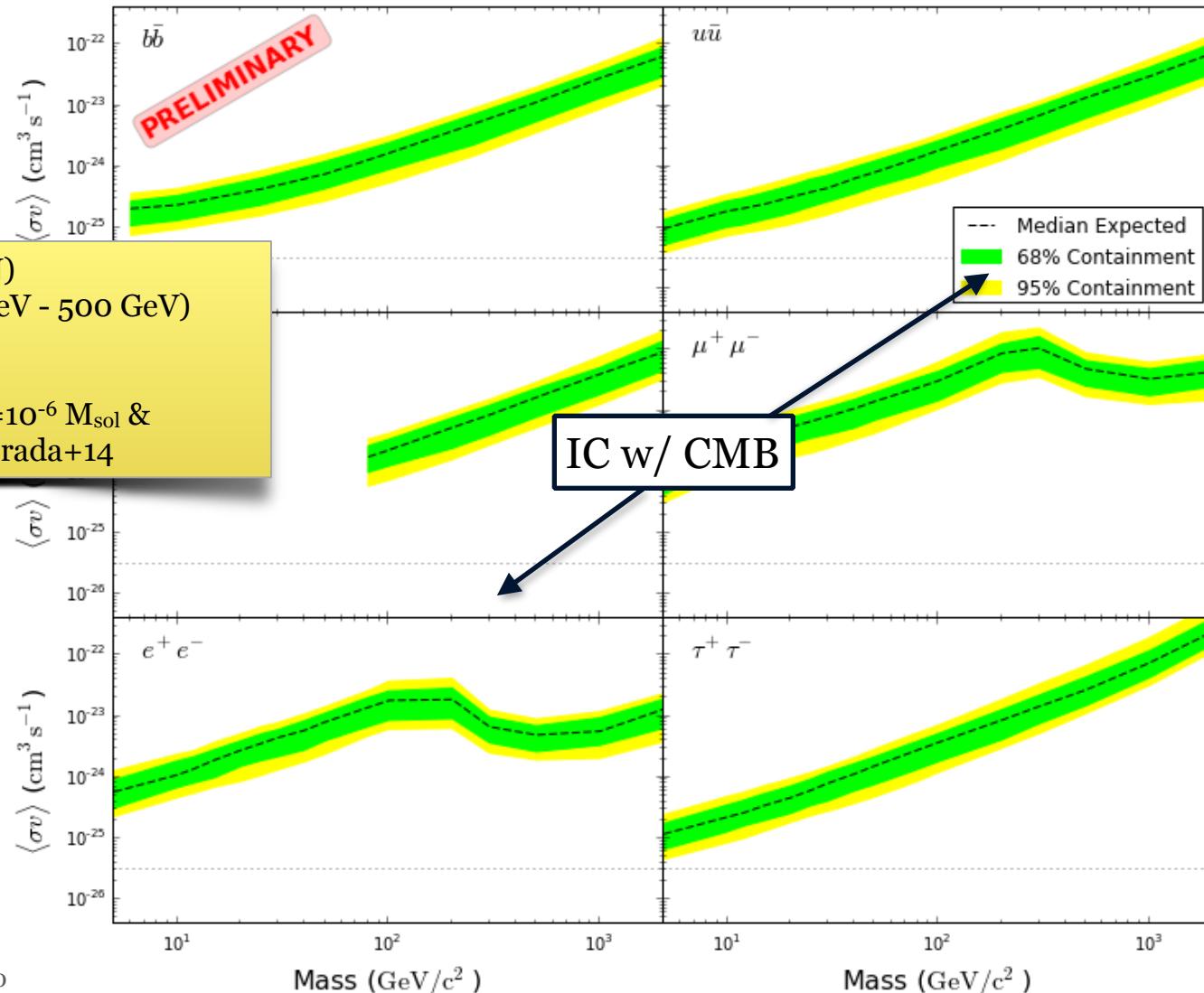


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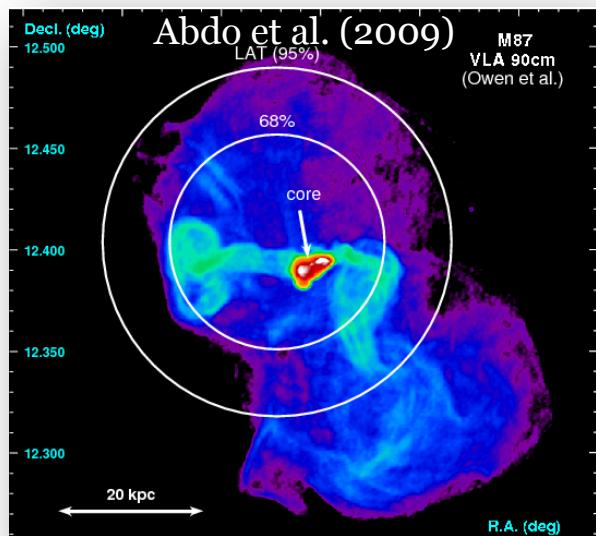
Backup Slides



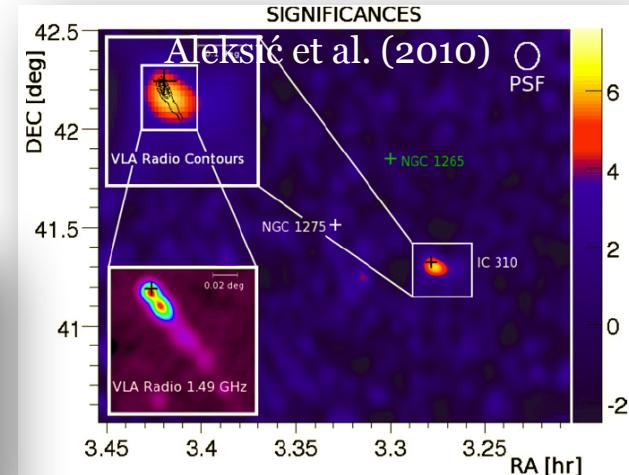
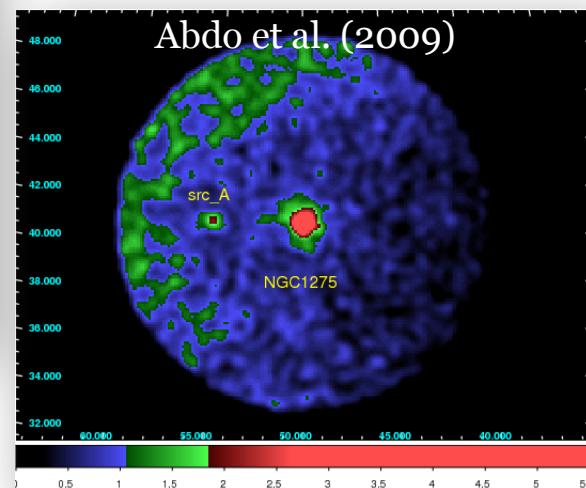
Expected Sensitivity



Observed Gamma Rays from Galaxy Clusters?



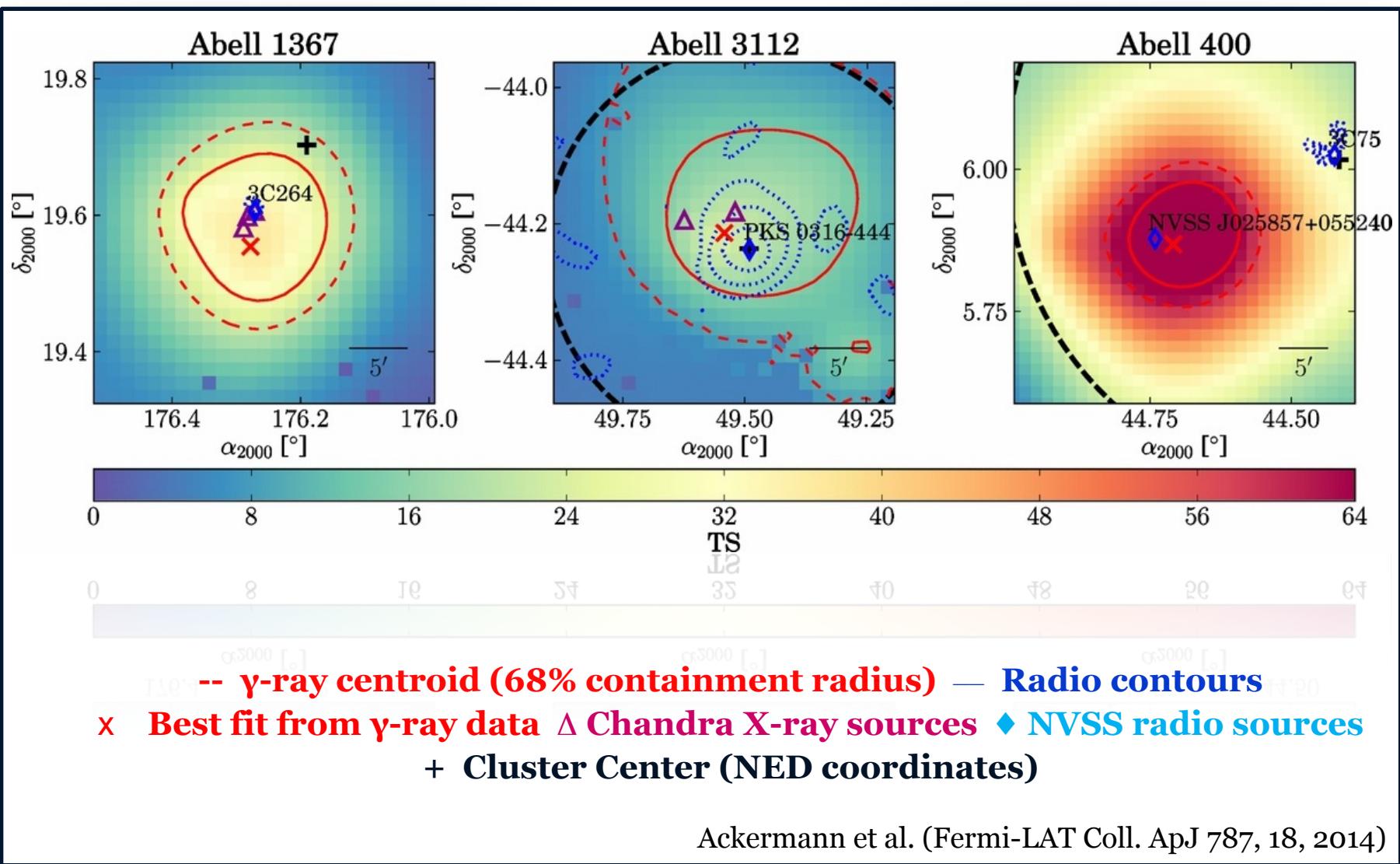
M87 (Virgo)



IC310/NGC1275
(Perseus)

Numerous observations of individual (radio) galaxies in galaxy clusters
-> but: any excess would first manifest itself as point like emission
NO sign of diffuse emission

Zoom-In to TS-maps



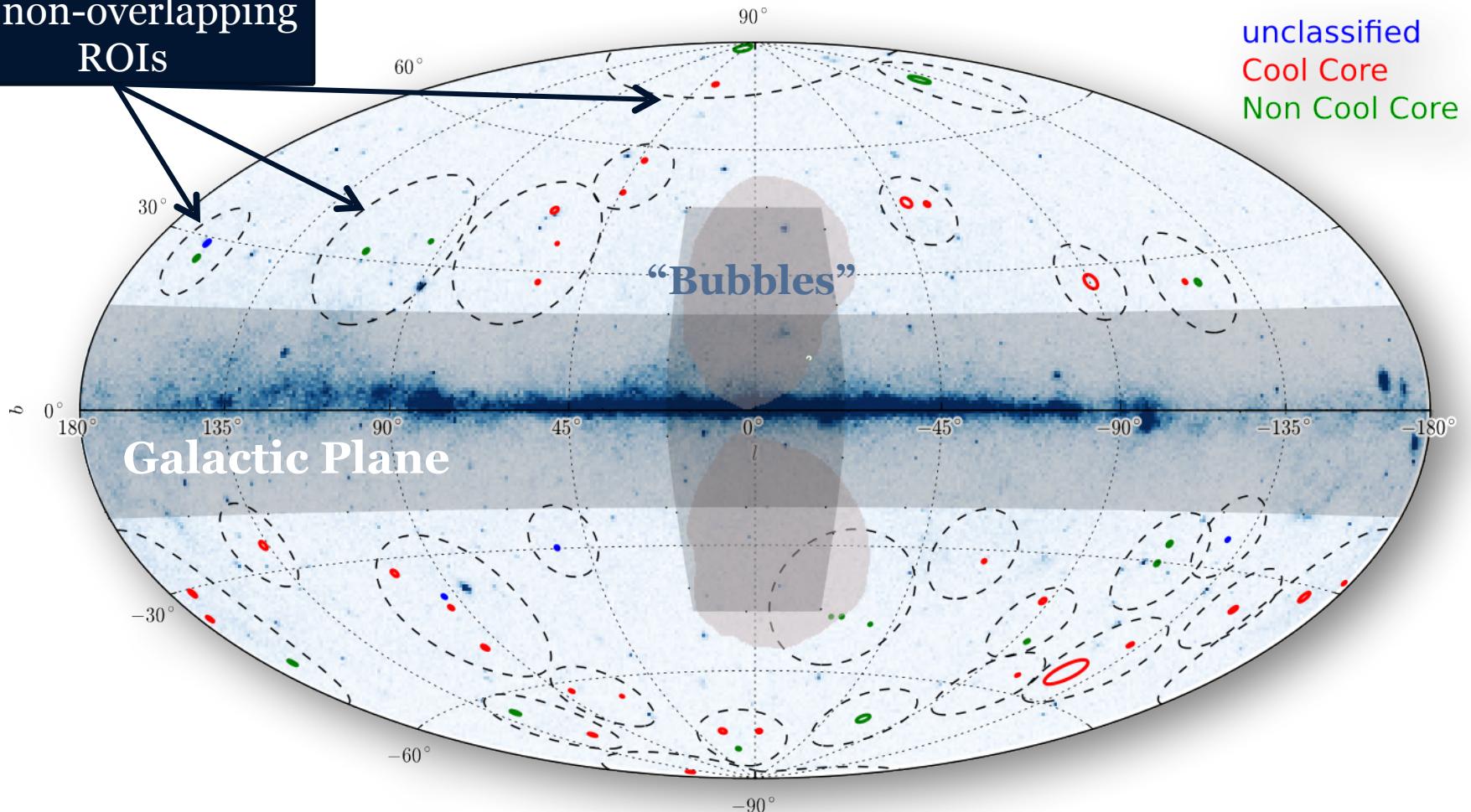
Is the Emission coming from the Cluster?

Pro	Con	Maybe Con
No indication for source variability (aperture photometry) A400 fits well with soft spectrum ($\Gamma \sim 2.3$) with comparable TS values	Emission offset from Cluster center (0.1 – 0.3 °) → point-source emission offset is preferred! A3112 & A1367 fit well with hard spectrum ($\Gamma \sim 1.7$)	Scale factors O(3-30) → higher than expected from model (expect O(1)) AGN/radio sources in all 3 clusters

Emission **unlikely to come from ICM**
 -> leave **unmodeled**
 -> contributes to overall TS value (**$\sim 2.7\sigma$ excess**)
 -> likely: newly detected **radio galaxies** in FoV (cf. M87, IC310...)

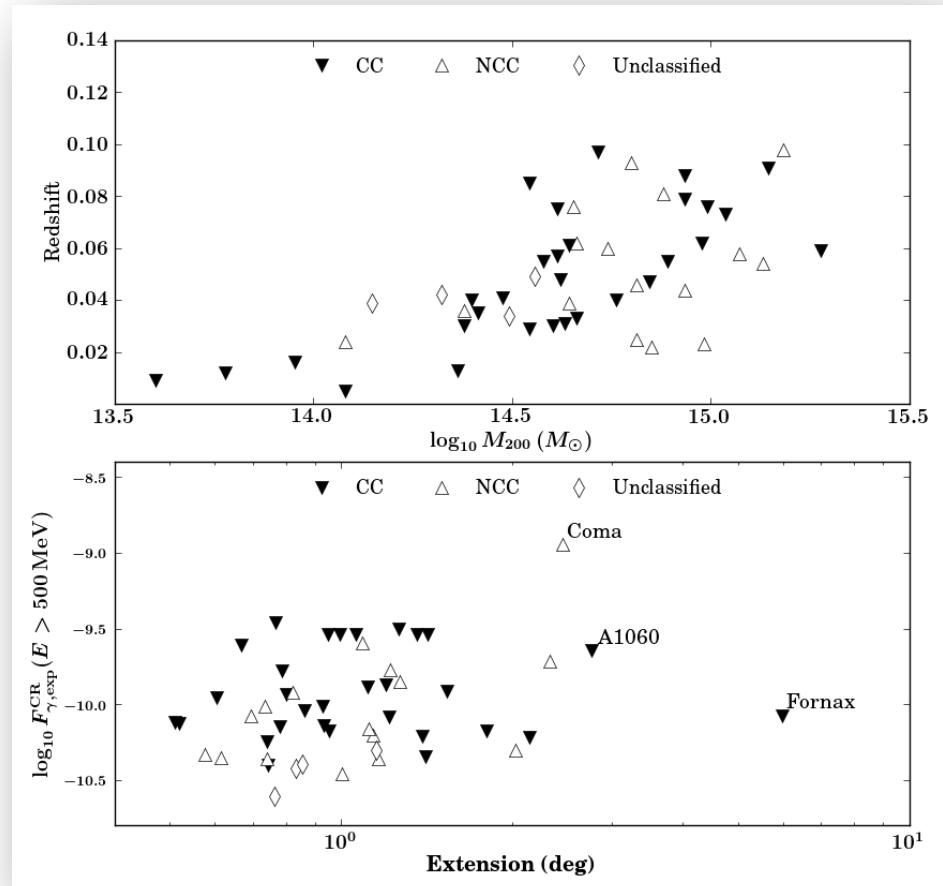
Cluster positions & ROIs

26 non-overlapping
ROIs



Cluster Sample & Selection

- Start from Extended HIFLUGCS sample (Chen et al. 2007)
- Selection & Analysis cuts
 - remove $z > 0.1$ (almost no contribution to overall expected flux)
 - geometric cuts: Galactic plane, “bubbles”
 - remove complicated diffuse regions (Virgo, Centaurus)
 - remove overlapping Clusters
- Remaining set of 50 clusters used for analysis, classify by morphology (X-ray, ACCEPT, Hudson et al. 2010):
 - Cool core if $K_o < 30 \text{ keV cm}^2$, else NCC
 - If no X-ray data available leave unclassified (remove clusters)



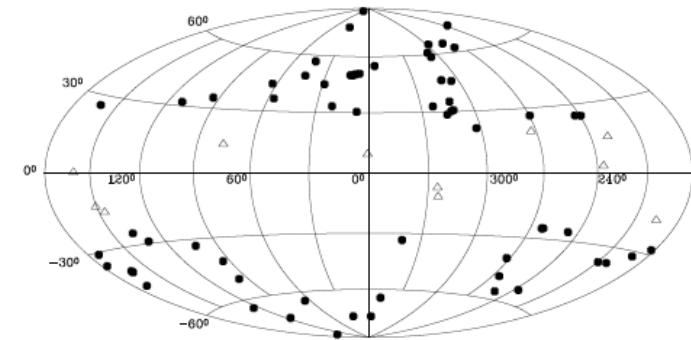
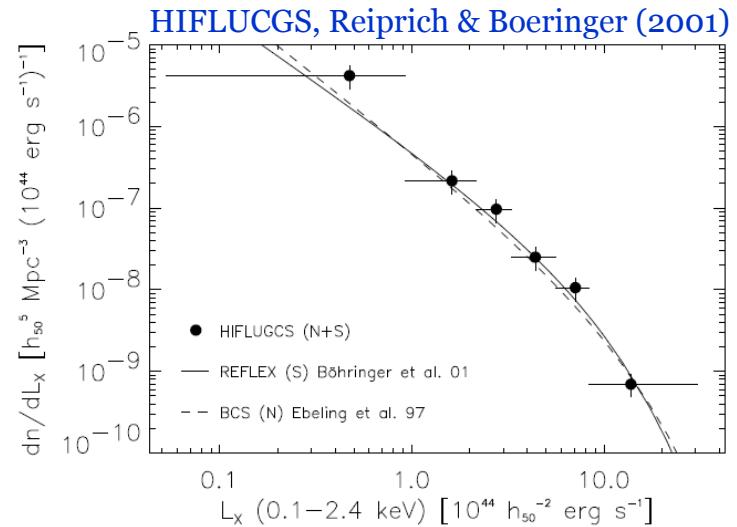
Ackermann et al. (Fermi-LAT Coll. ApJ 787, 18, 2014)

Analysis Details

- 4 years of data (2008-08-04 – 2012-08-04)
 - **P7 reprocessed data**, CLEAN events (500 MeV – 200 GeV, 18 bins)
- 26 non-overlapping ROIs with varying size ($8\text{-}16^\circ$)
 - **2FGL & std. diffuse templates** as background model
 - Include all PS within **10° from cluster & ROI-size+ 5°**
 - Leave normalization of **sources within 4° free**, refit bright residuals of 2FGL sources
- **Freeze all free** source parameters before joint likelihood fit
 - Limitation by MINUIT (<100 parameter), ensures convergence

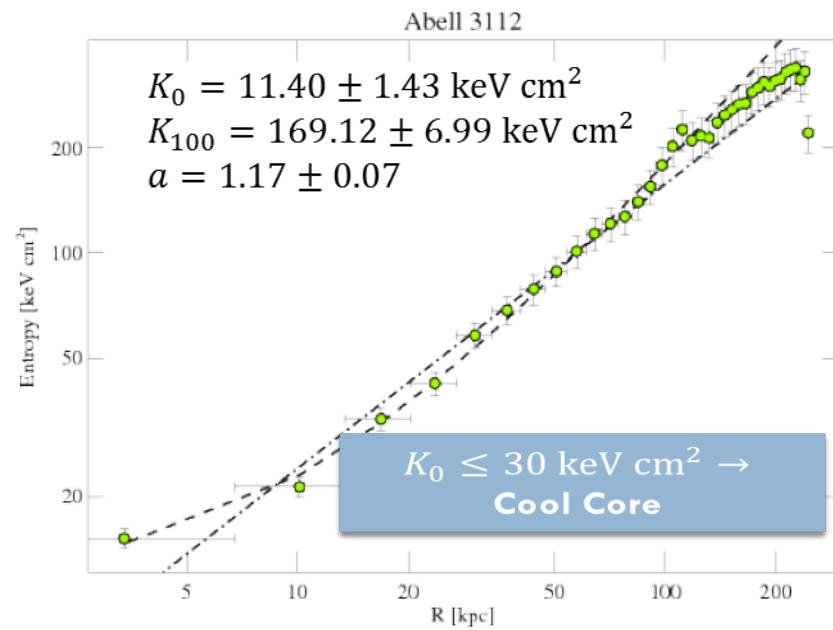
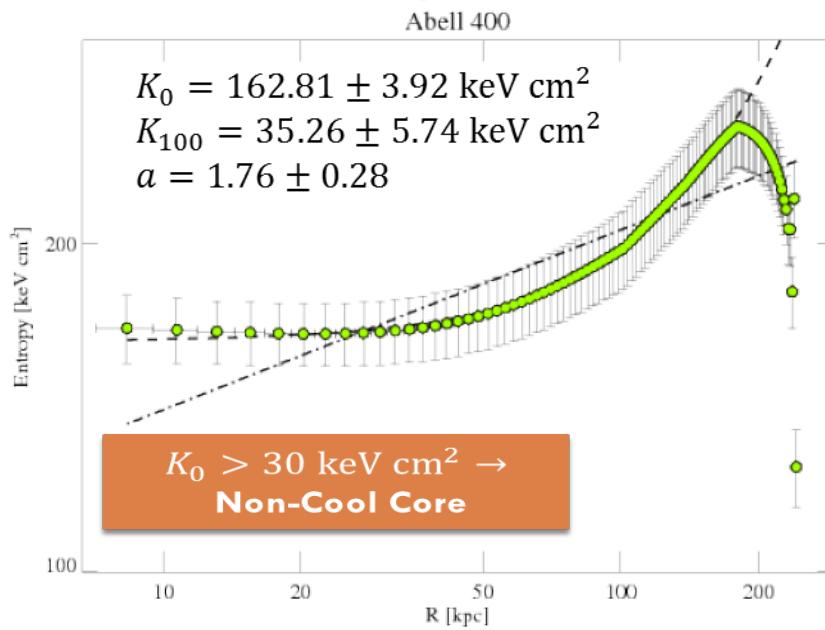
Extended HIFLUGS catalog

- **Strong correlation** between X-ray flux & γ -rays
- **X-ray flux limited complete sample** of brightest X-ray clusters (no additional clusters at $z \sim 0.1$)
- Based on number of X-ray catalog surveys
- Initial HIFLUGS
 - $|b| > 20^\circ$ & outside Virgo
- Extended HIFLUGS:
 - Include Virgo & other clusters
- Benchmark catalog for clusters



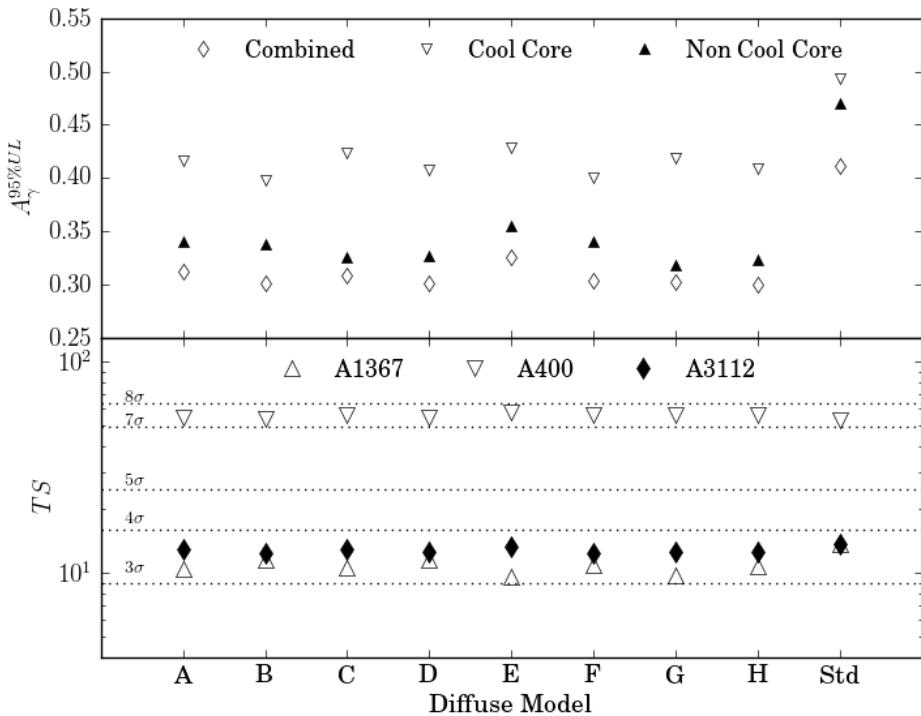
X-Ray Morphology Classification (Hudson et al. 2010)

- **Entropy profile** ($S = kT/n_e^{2/3}$) determines structure of ICM & thermodynamic history
- Entropy profile fit to $K(r) = K_0 + K_{100} \left(\frac{r}{100\text{kpc}}\right)^a$
- Hudson et al. 2010 uses **17 different X-ray diagnostics** for **full morphological characterization**, K_0 only for simplicity shown



Systematic Uncertainties

Ackermann et al. (Fermi-LAT Coll. ApJ 787, 18, 2014)



- Most critical for extended source analysis: diffuse Galactic foreground model
 - Templates optimized for PS analysis
 - Large uncertainties -> CR propagation details, source distribution, B-fields, etc.
 - Checked analysis against alternative models (GALPROP) -> more stringent limits on scale factor

Systematic Uncertainties (Ctd.)

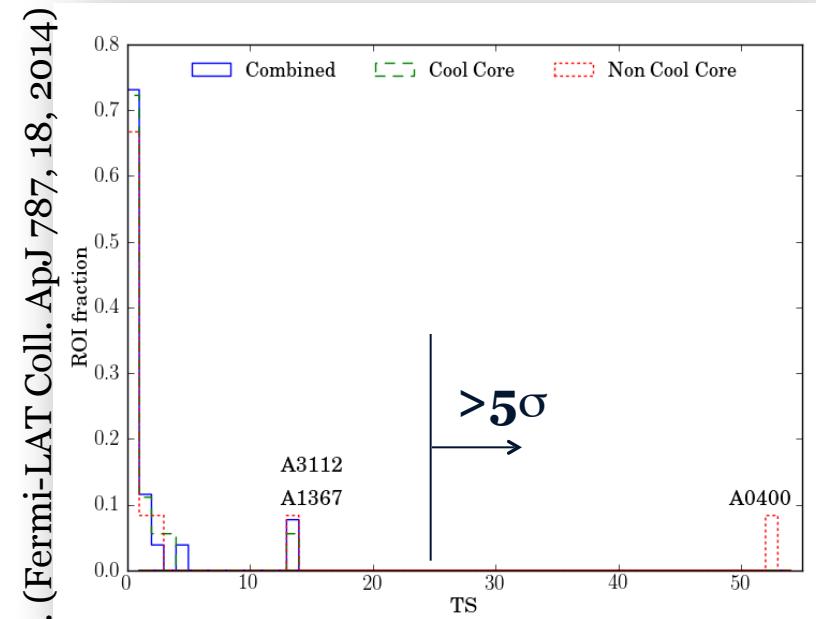
Type	Variation of Input Parameters	Impact on Results
Spectral bins	$\pm 50\%$	< 5%
Spatial bins	$\pm 50\%$	< 1%
Spatial template bins	$\pm 50\%$	< 1%
Small ROIs	+25%	$\sim 3\%$
Number of free sources	$4^\circ \rightarrow \theta_{200} + 1^\circ$ ^a	< 10%
IRF uncertainties: Effective Area	$\pm 10\%$ ^b	< 7%
IRF uncertainties: PSF	$\pm 15\%$ ^b	< 4%
Diffuse model uncertainties	alternative diffuse models ^c	15-25% more stringent limits

^aWe chose a radius of 4° around each cluster center to account for photon contamination due to the PSF at low energies. In this test we modify the radius in which we leave the normalization free to vary within $\theta_{200} + 1^\circ$.

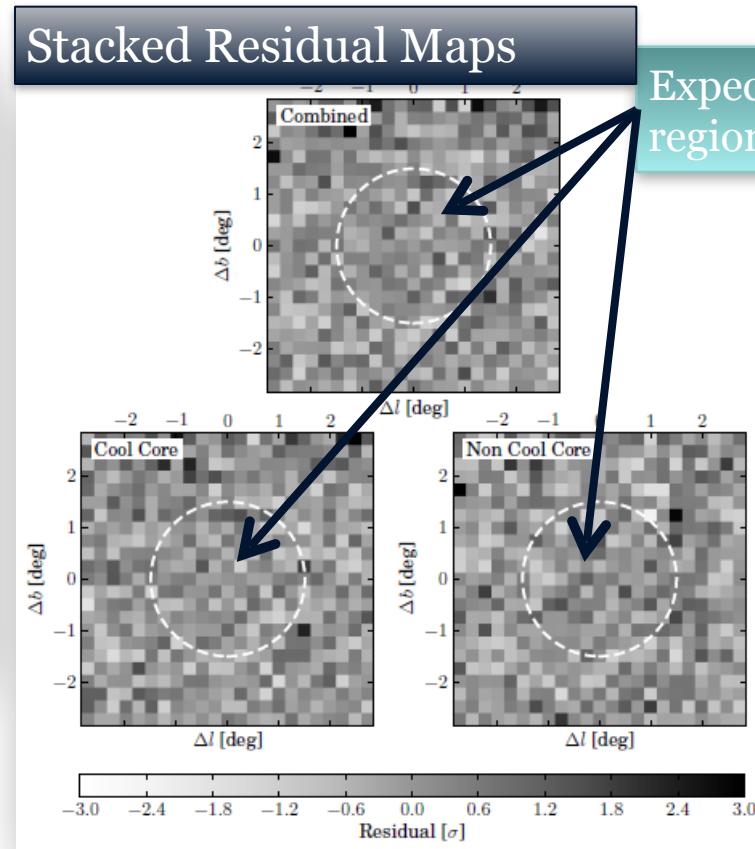
^bWe employ the *bracketing IRF* approach as discussed in Ackermann et al. (2012a) and use the tabulated values to scale the relevant IRF components.

^cWe use a set of alternative diffuse emission models and replace the standard emission template used in the baseline analysis with these

Results on the sample



With exception of 3 ROIs follows MC nullfit expectation



Constraints from Joint Analysis

	Combined Sample	Cool Core	Non Cool Core
# Clusters	50	30	16
95% U.L. on A_γ (model: $A_\gamma = 1$)	0.41 (0.29 without exceptions)	0.49	0.47
Global TS-value (significance)	7.3 (2.7σ) (<2 σ without exceptions)	4.7 (2.1 σ)	3.3 (1.8 σ)
Exclude $A_\gamma = 1$ (σ)	5.5	4.3	4.4
95% U.L. on $\zeta_{p,\max}$ ($\zeta_{p,\max} = 0.5 \times A_\gamma^{UL}$) [*]	21% (15% without exceptions)	25%	24%

* Assumes $\zeta_{p,\max} \propto \langle X_{\text{CR}} \rangle \propto A_\gamma$

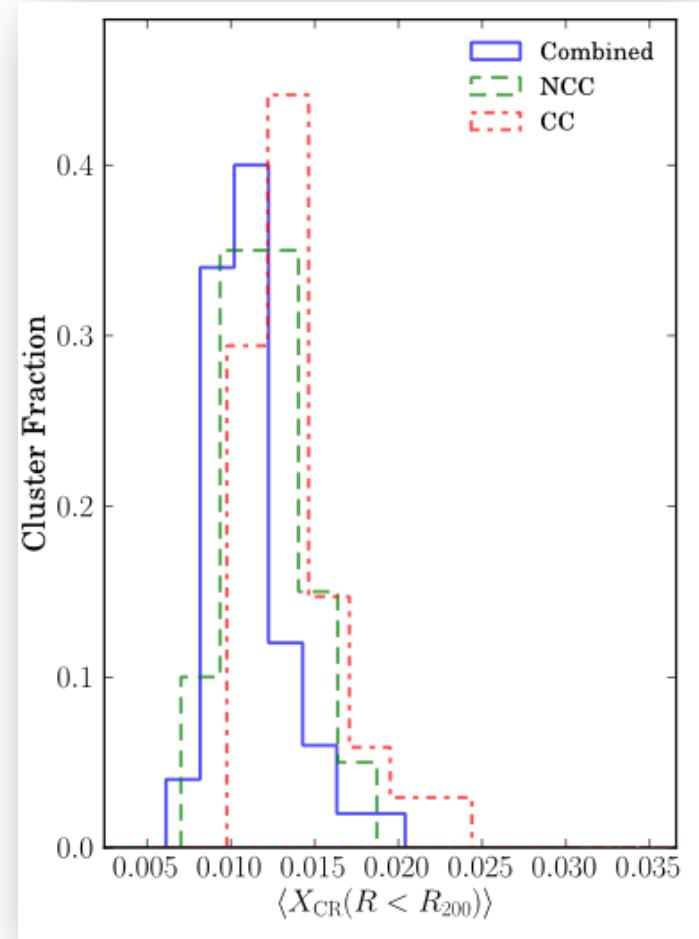
Strongest constraints on $\zeta_{p,\max}$ so far!

Constraining CR content in Galaxy Clusters

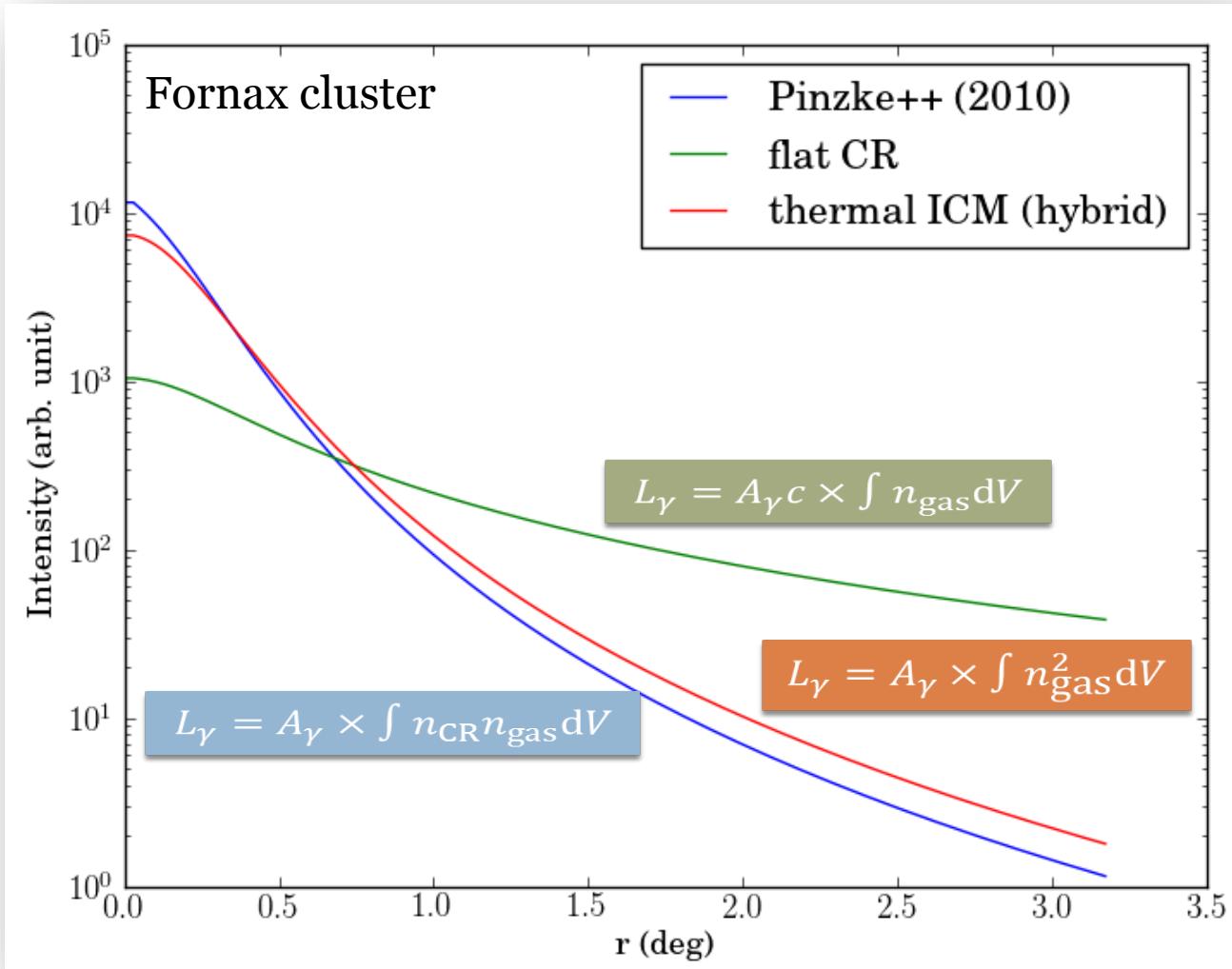
- Use **joint scale factors** to derive CR-to-thermal pressure ratio for each cluster **individually**:

$$\langle X_{\text{CR}}(< R) \rangle \propto A_\gamma$$
 - Assumes a) **universality** of model and b) **scaling relation** to hold
- Derive $\langle X_{\text{CR}} \rangle$ within **determined radius** (e.g. R_{200})
- Median **values** within R_{200} :

$$\langle X_{\text{CR}} \rangle < 1.0\text{-}1.5\%$$



Spatial Modeling



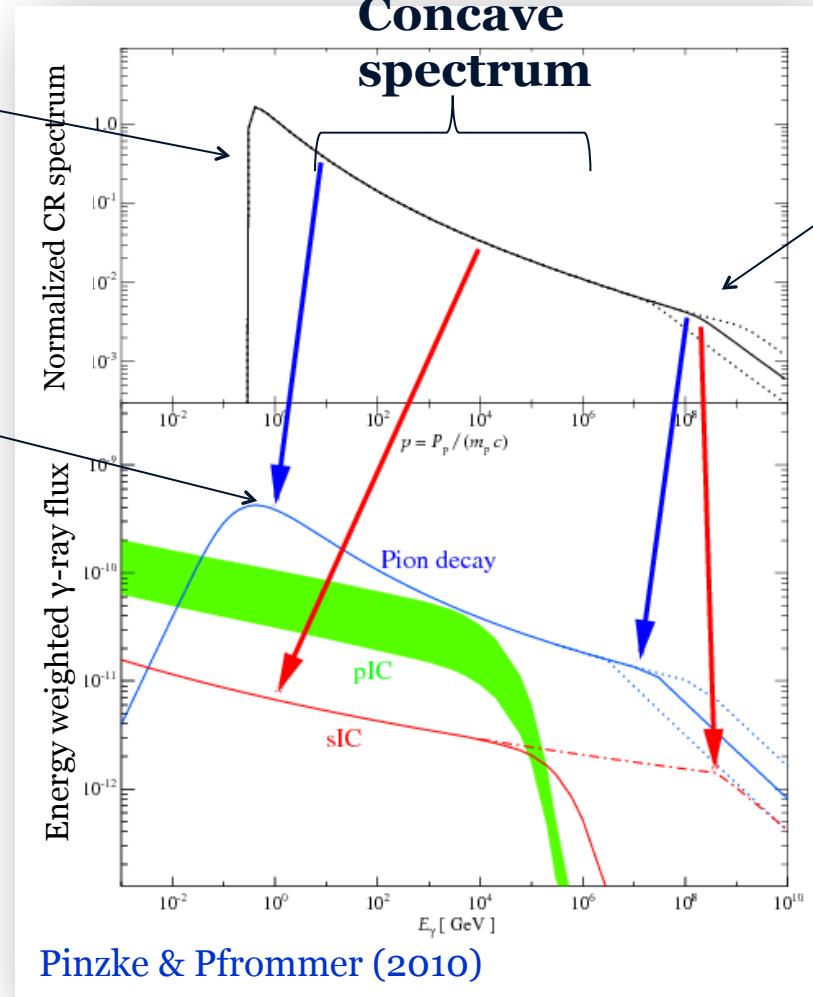
Universal CR Model (Pinzke & Pfrommer, 2010)

- Simulate clusters in **cosmological** environment
 - **CR proton (CRp) transport & injection, acceleration from structure formation shocks**
 - Find **universality** across their simulated sample
- Model input: **maximum hadronic injection efficiency**,
 $\zeta_{p,\max}$
 - Captured by **joint scale factor** A_γ (model prediction: $A_\gamma = 1$)
 - Assume linearity: $\zeta_{p,\max} = 0.5 \times A_\gamma$
- Prediction of **γ -rays from CRp interactions** ($\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$)
 - Dominates **IC** contribution
 - Can constrain **CR content** using **γ -rays** : $\zeta_{p,\max} \propto \langle X_{\text{CR}} \rangle$

Result from simulations: CR Spectrum
(Pinzke & Pfrommer 2010)
acceleration of CRp from large scale shocks

Low
momentum
cut-off

Pion-”bump”

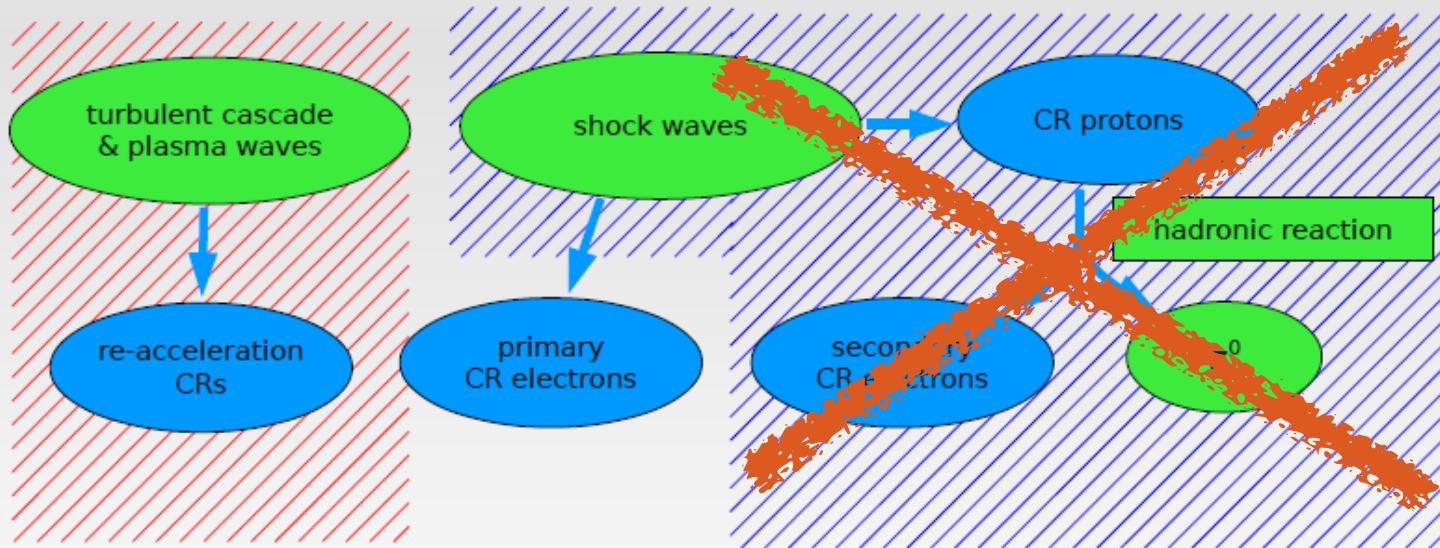


Universal spectrum
for various simulated
clusters!
-> universal physical
processes?

Different models for CR physics

Which CR population is dominating?

Two main models with different radio and gamma-ray signatures



Reacceleration models

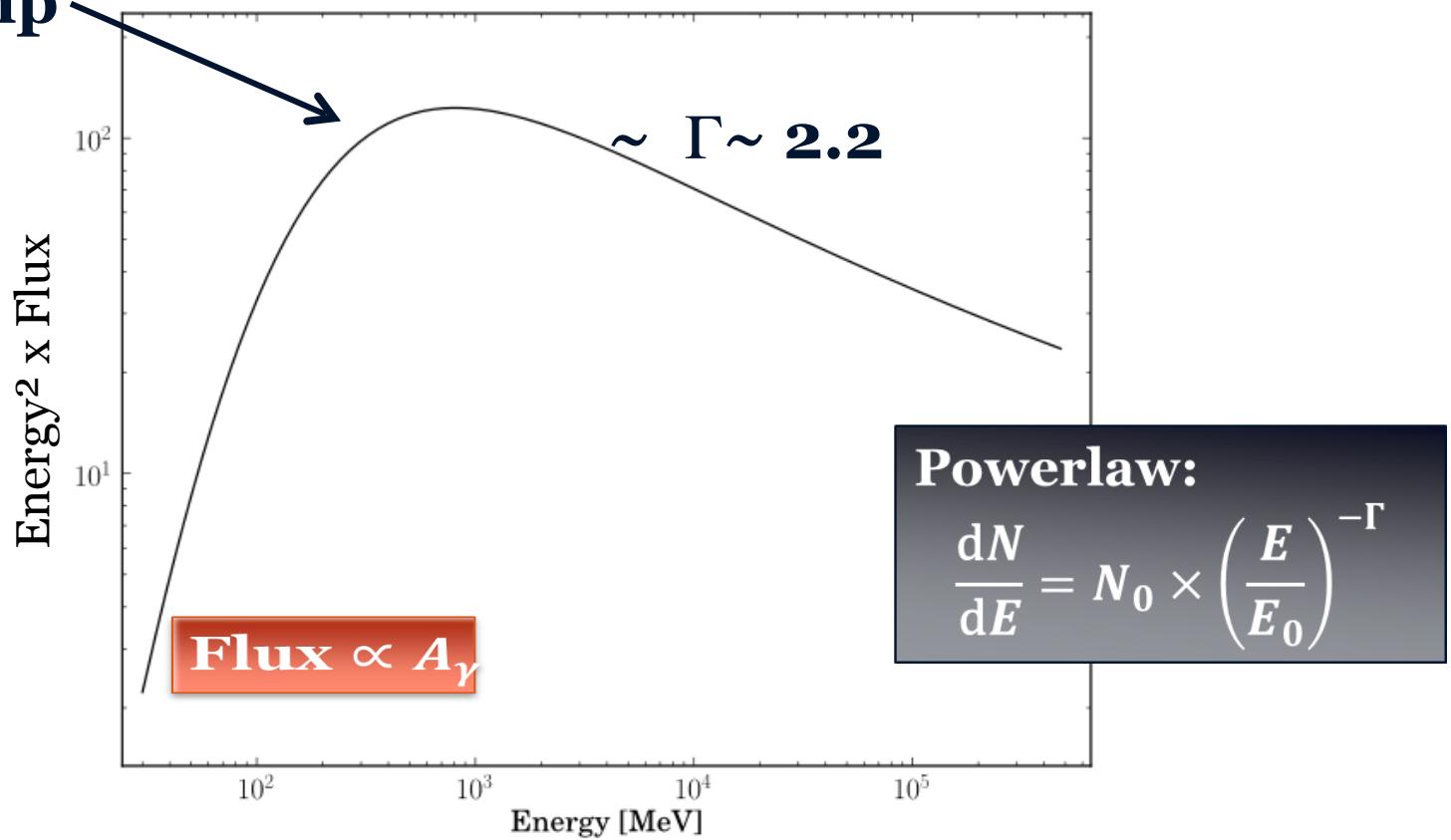
e.g. Brunetti+ 2001, 2004, 2012, Brunetti and Lazarian 2007, 2011, Petrosian 2001, Cassano and Brunetti 2005

Hadronic models

e.g. Ensslin+ 2011, Wiener+ 2013, Zandanel+ 2013, Pinzke and Pfrommer 2010, Pinzke+ 2012, Pfrommer+ 2004, 2008

Derived γ -Ray Spectrum

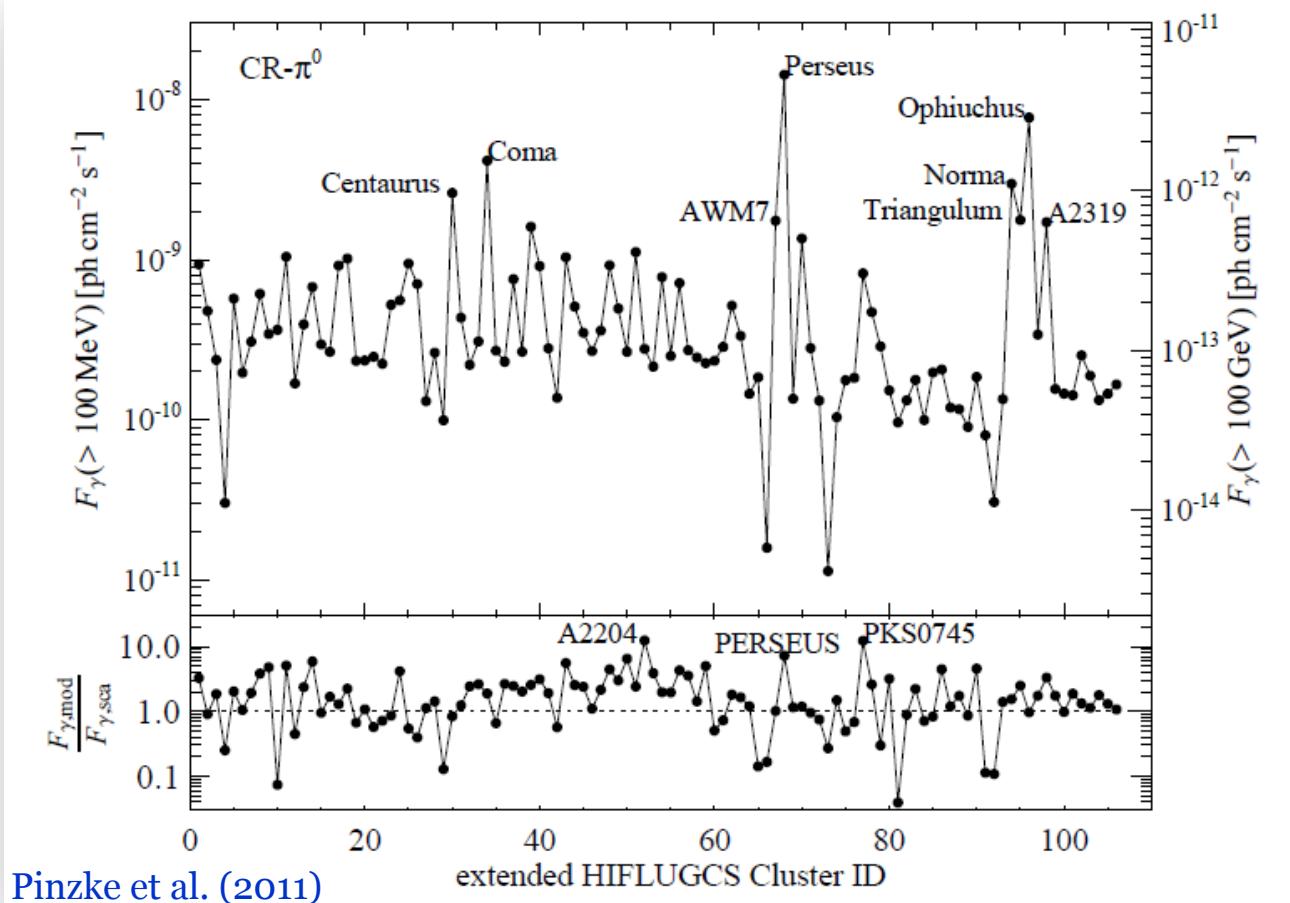
Pion-”bump”



Flux Predictions* by Pinzke et al. (2011)

Predicted CR-induced γ -ray flux from π^0 -decay; analysis input, equiv. to J-factor in DM searches

Directly derived flux vs. flux from scaling relation



* predictions translate to $A_\gamma = 1$

Significance Estimate

- Neyman Pearson **likelihood ratio (Test Statistic)**:

$$TS = -2 \log \left(\frac{L(x = 0, \hat{\bar{b}})}{L(\hat{x}, \hat{b})} \right)$$

LLH for Null hypothesis

LLH for Signal hypothesis

- Defined for each target, ROI or even **combined TS** (use **joint LLH** instead)
- Can be related to **significance**: $\sigma = \sqrt{TS}$

Fermi Large Area Telescope 2FGL catalog

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○ AGN ◉ AGN-Blazar

□ AGN-Non Blazar

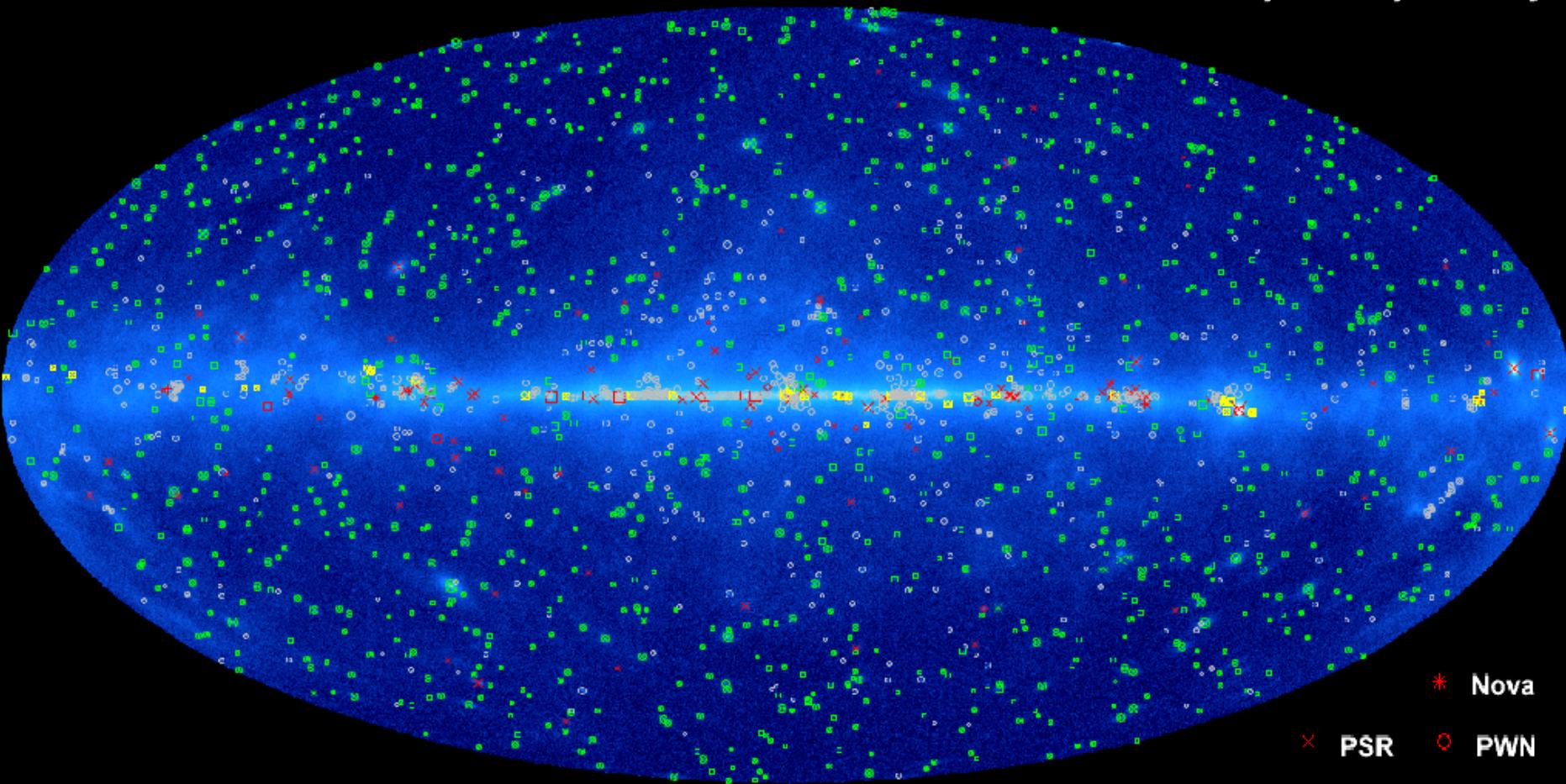
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Galaxy

* Starburst Galaxy

◊ Radio Galaxy

+ Seyfert Galaxy



○ Unassociated

□ Possible Association with SNR and PWN

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Nova

×

PSR

○ PWN

○ PSR w/PWN

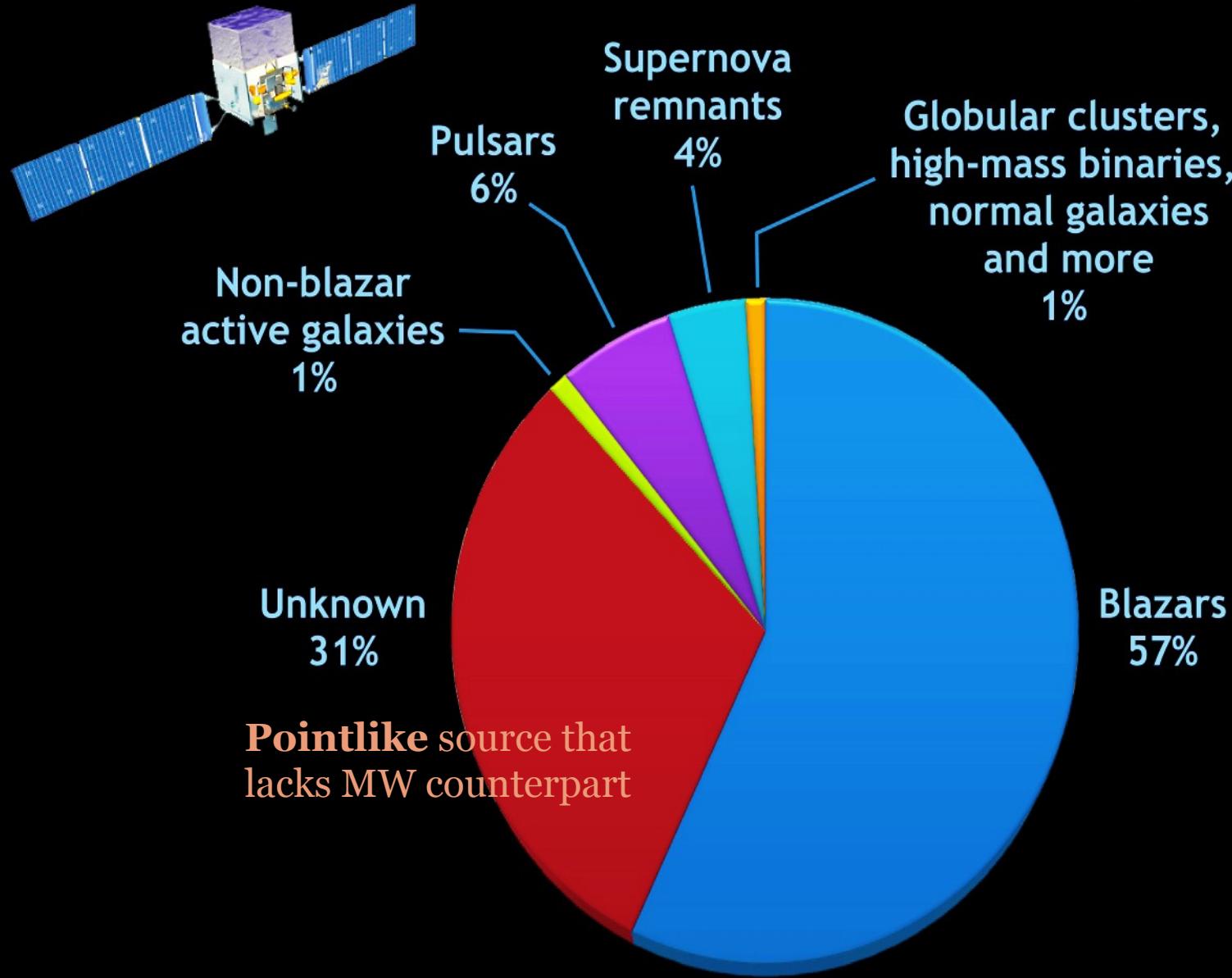
□ SNR

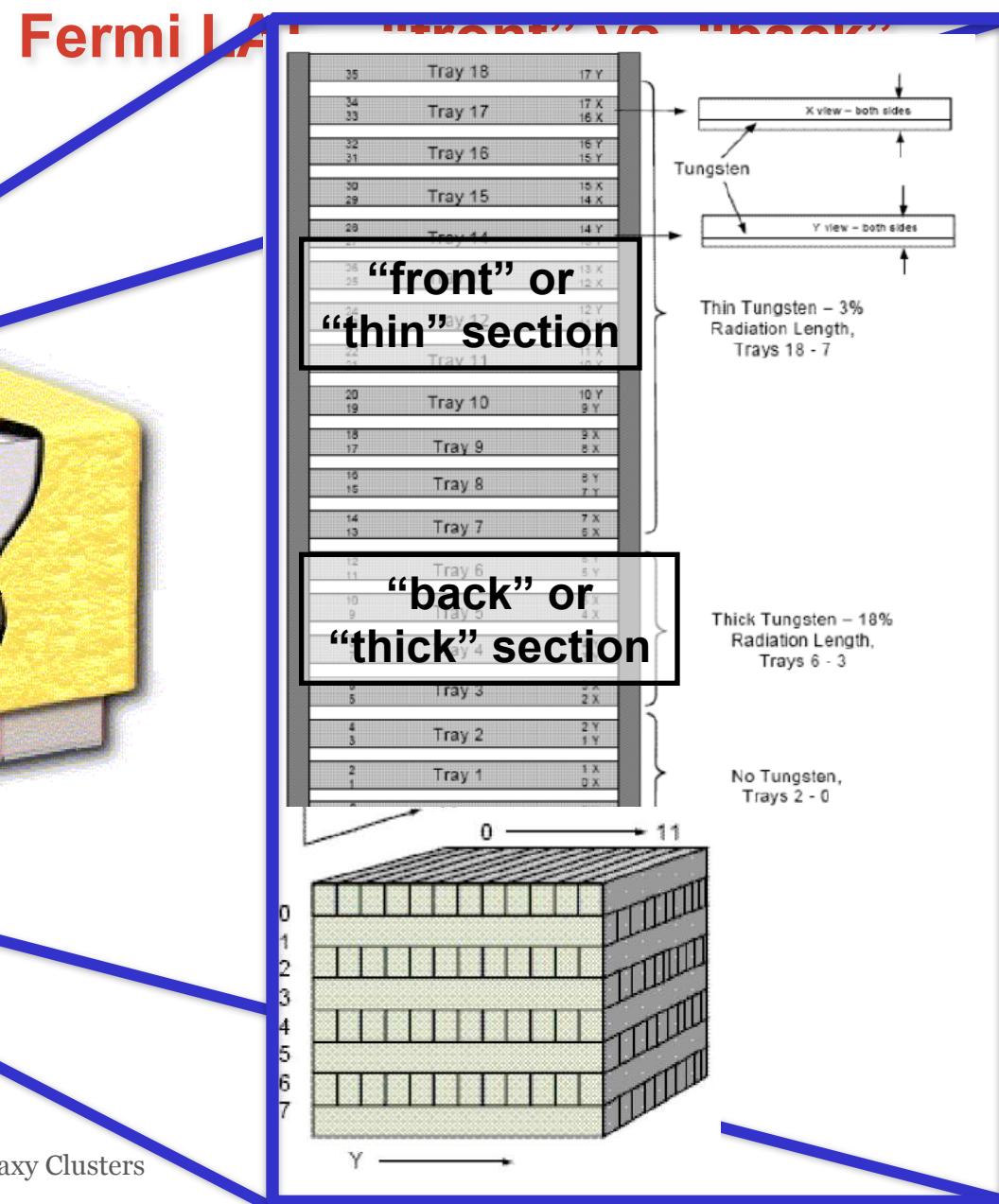
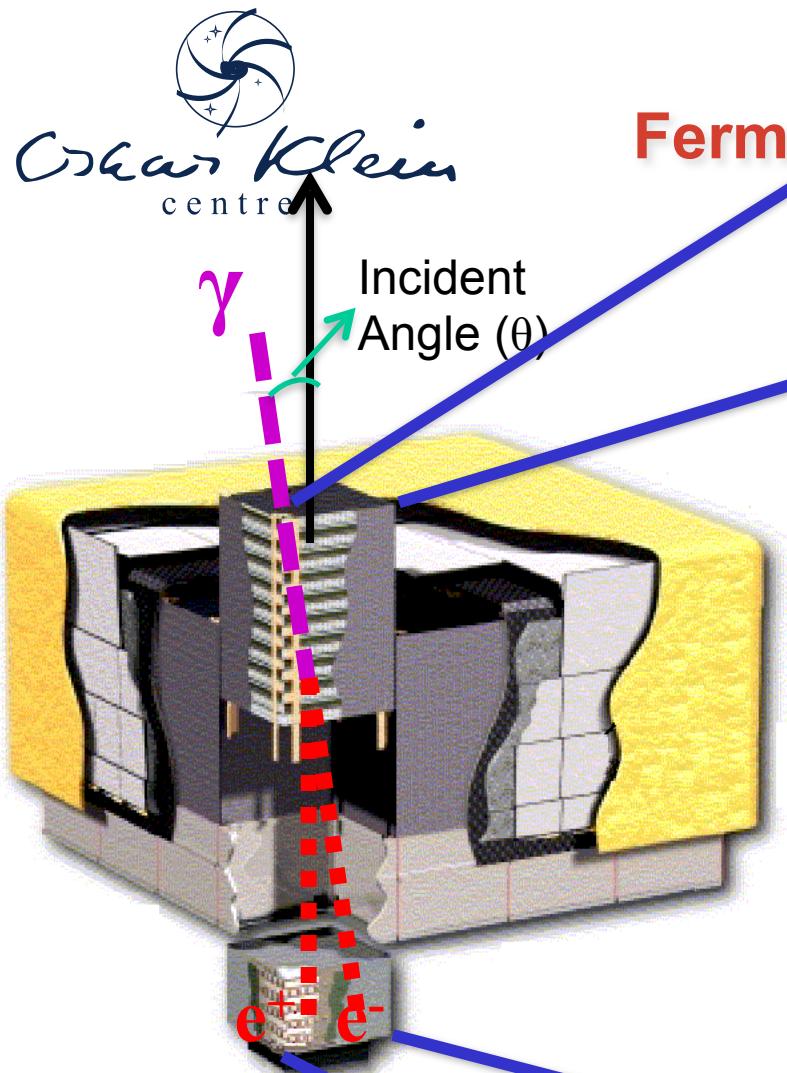
◊ Globular Cluster

+

HMB

What has Fermi found: The LAT two-year catalog⁵⁹

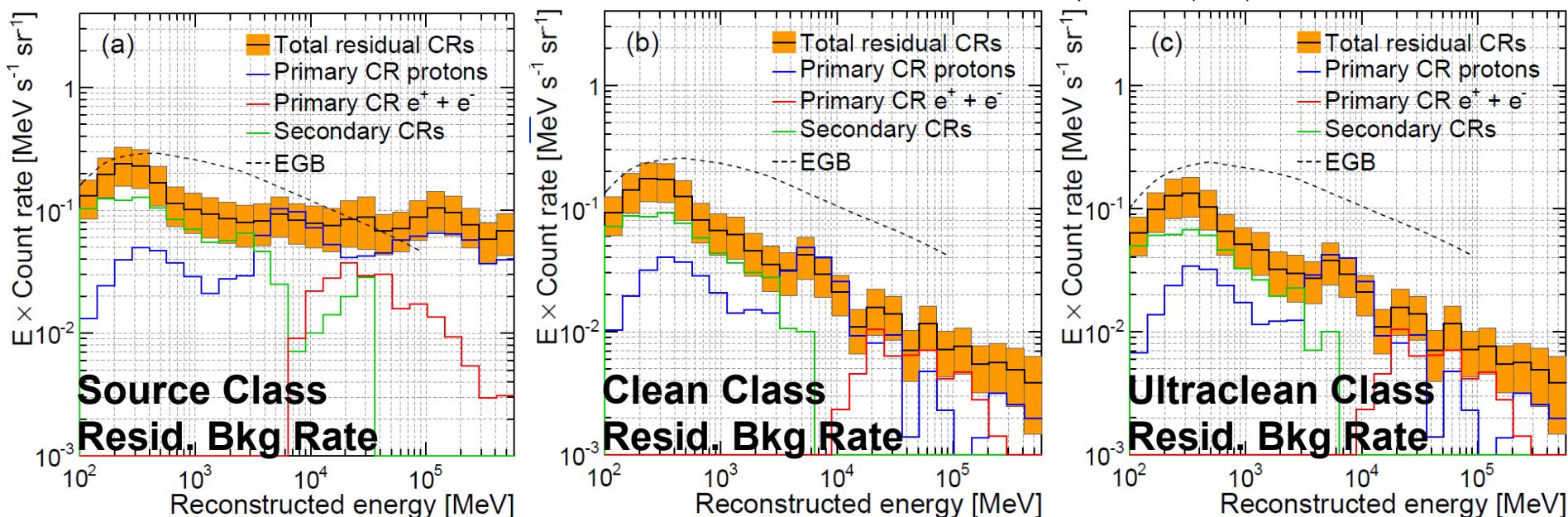




Gamma-ray Event Classes

- Triggered events are dominated by CR background events
 - Need to define additional cuts to get γ -ray rich dataset
- Nested “event classes” for various types of γ ray sources
 - Transient: loosest, for transient sources (< 200 s)

M. Ackermann et al (The Fermi LAT Collaboration)
ApJS 203, 4 (2012) arXiv:1206.1896

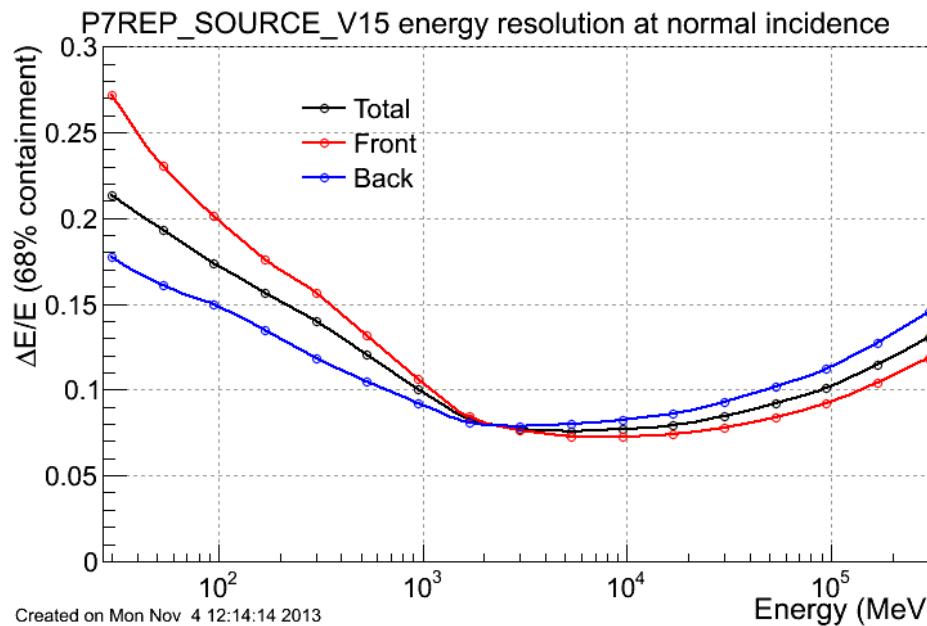
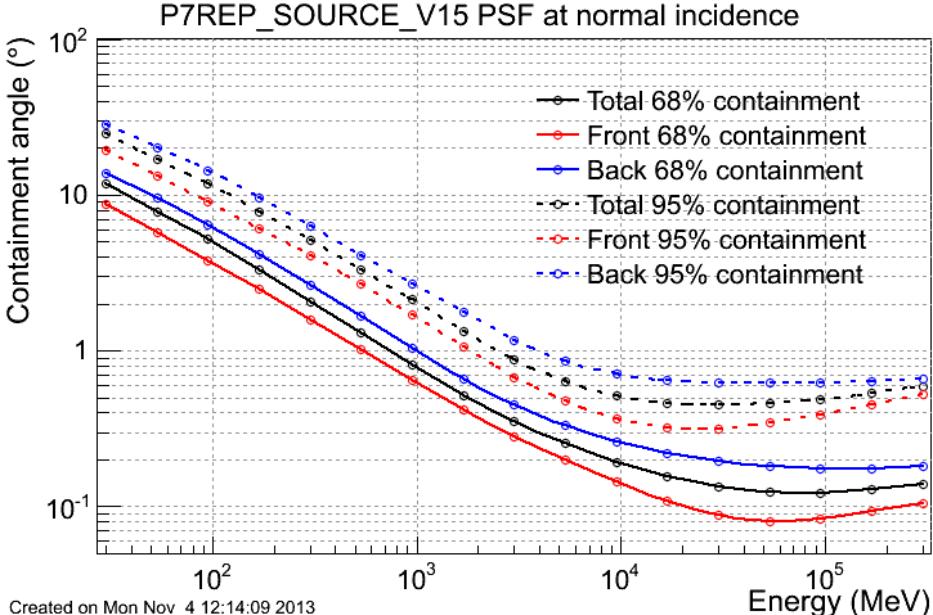
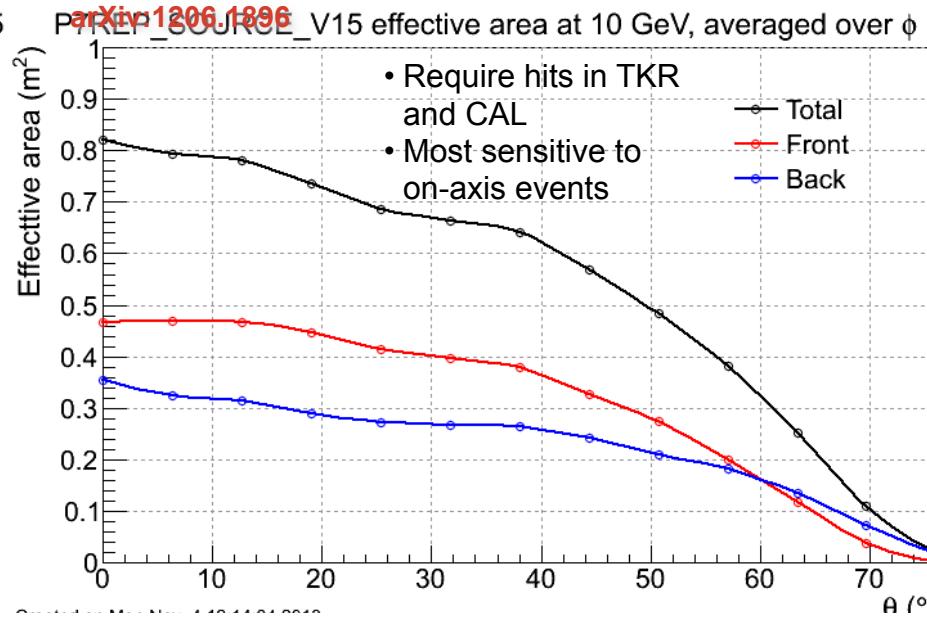
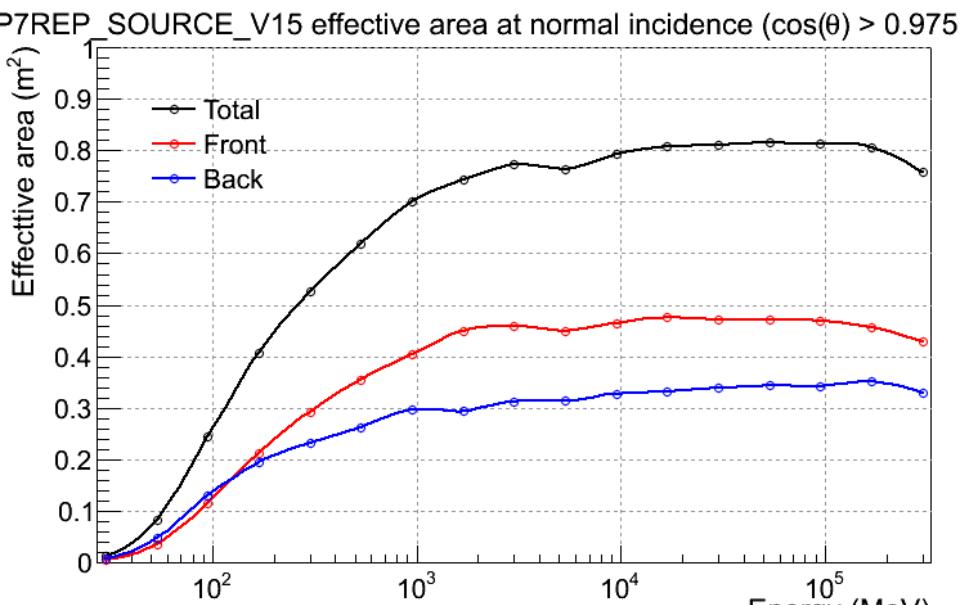




Fermi LAT Performance

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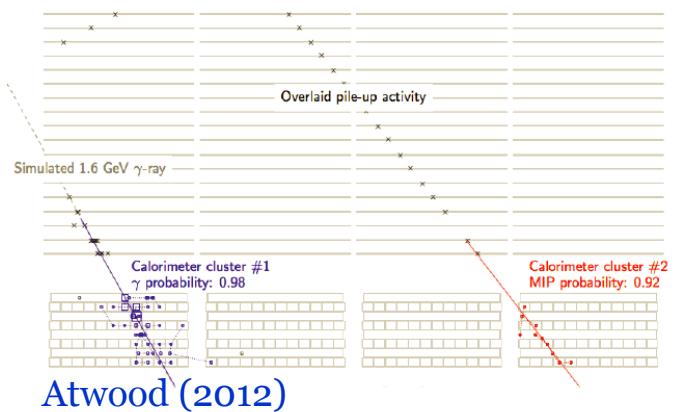
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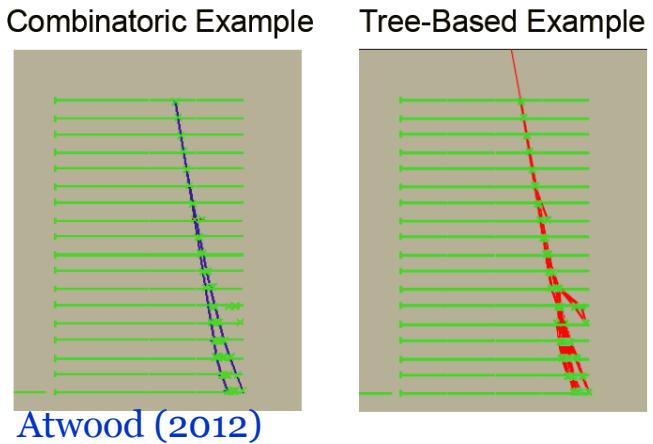
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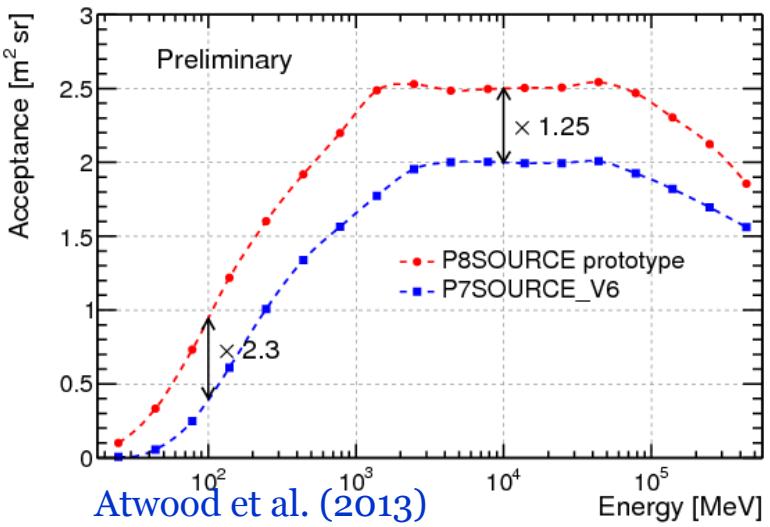
- Handle on **instrumental pile-up** & maximizing science potential
- Rewrite** of core-recon parts
 - TKR: **tree based tracking** instead of combinatorial
 - CAL: introduce **calorimeter clustering**, 3D fit to shower profile
 - ACD: improved background rejection (from sims)
- Expected to roll out in **late 2014** (hopefully)



Atwood (2012)



Atwood (2012)



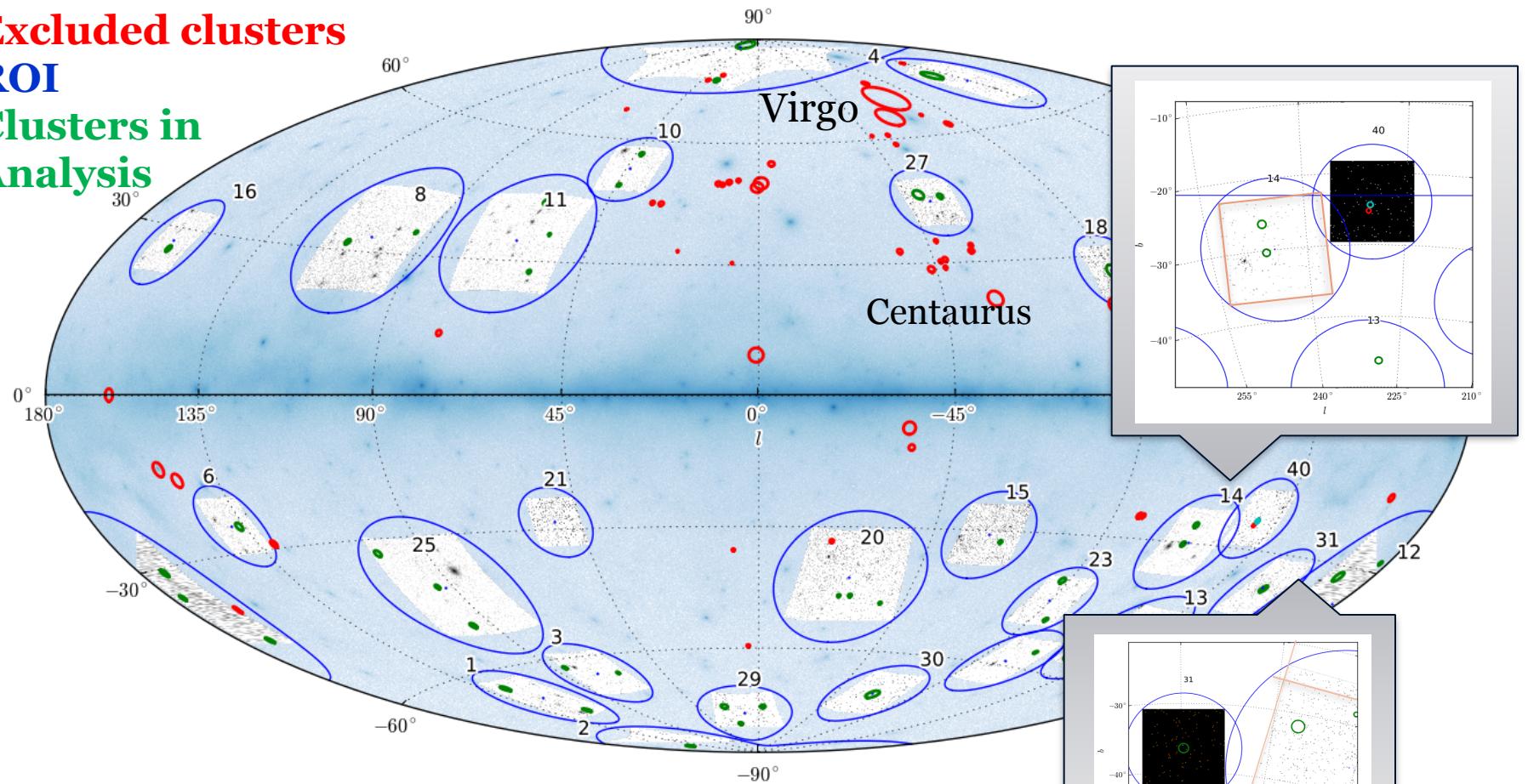
Atwood et al. (2013)

Non-Overlapping ROIs

Excluded clusters

ROI

Clusters in Analysis

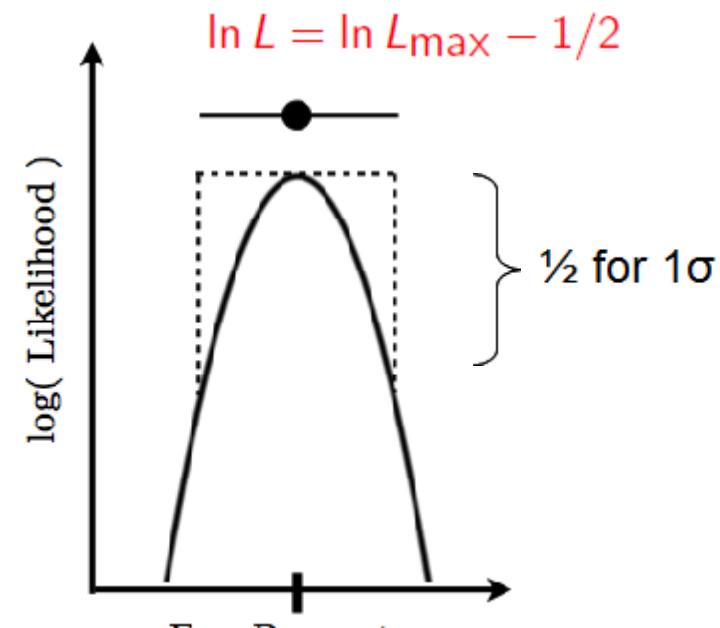


deltaLogLikelihood method

Number of Parameters	Confidence level (probability contents desired inside hypercontour of $\chi^2 = \chi^2_{\min} + \text{UP}$)				
	50%	70%	90%	95%	99%
1	0.46	1.07	2.70	3.84	6.63
2	1.39	2.41	4.61	5.99	9.21
3	2.37	3.67	6.25	7.82	11.36
4	3.36	4.88	7.78	9.49	13.28
5	4.35	6.06	9.24	11.07	15.09
6	5.35	7.23	10.65	12.59	16.81
7	6.35	8.38	12.02	14.07	18.49
8	7.34	9.52	13.36	15.51	20.09
9	8.34	10.66	14.68	16.92	21.67
10	9.34	11.78	15.99	18.31	23.21
11	10.34	12.88	17.29	19.68	24.71
If FCN is $-\log(\text{likelihood})$ instead of χ^2 , all values of UP should be divided by 2.					

Table 7.1: Table of UP for multi-parameter confidence regions

F. James, MINUIT reference manual

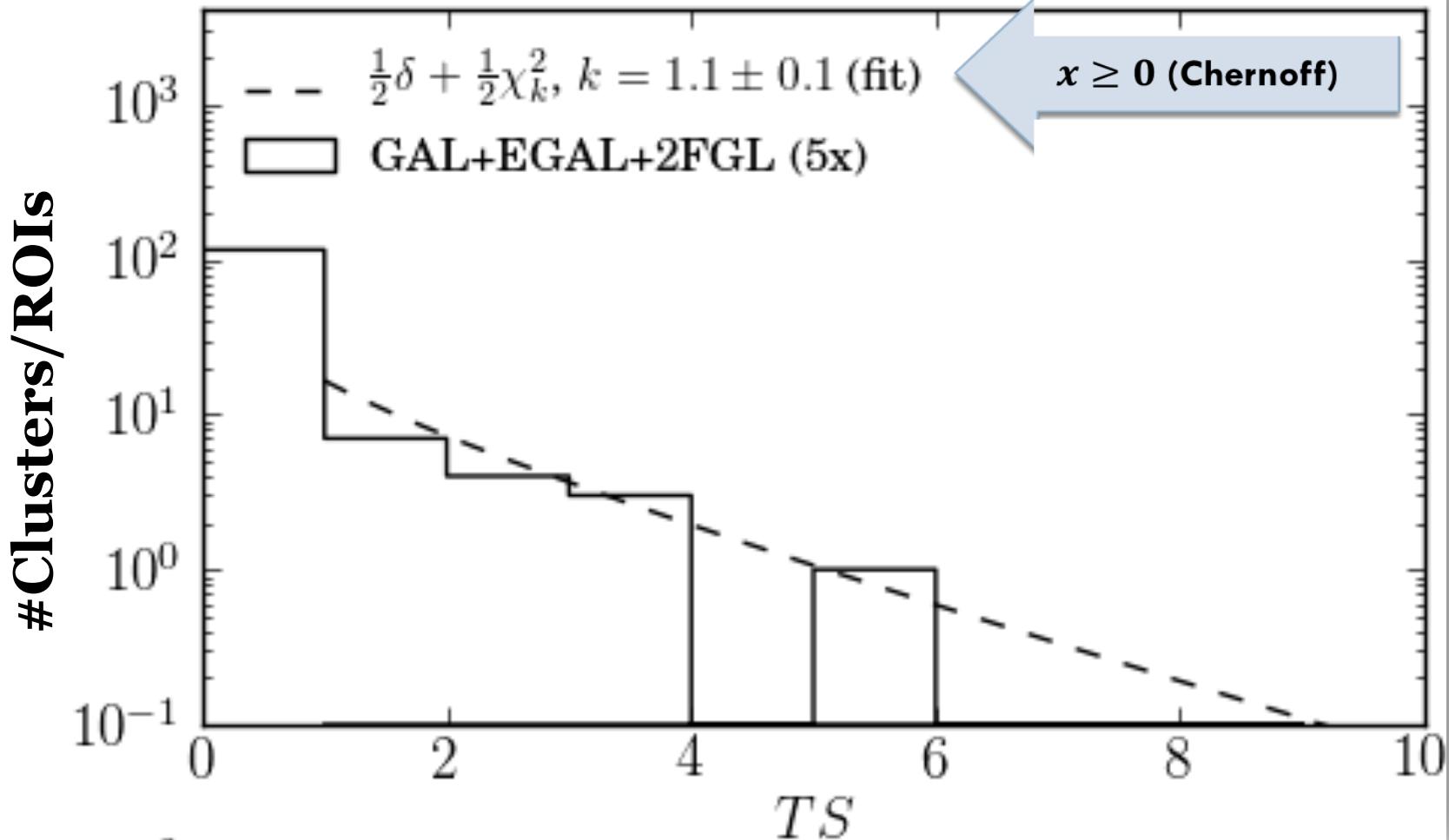


from Alex Drlica-Wagner

90% two-sided C.L. for deltaLogLikelihood step ~ 2.70 (1 free parameter) $\rightarrow 95\%$ U.L.

TS distribution for Null hypothesis

Ackermann et al. (Fermi-LAT Coll. ApJ 787, 18, 2014)

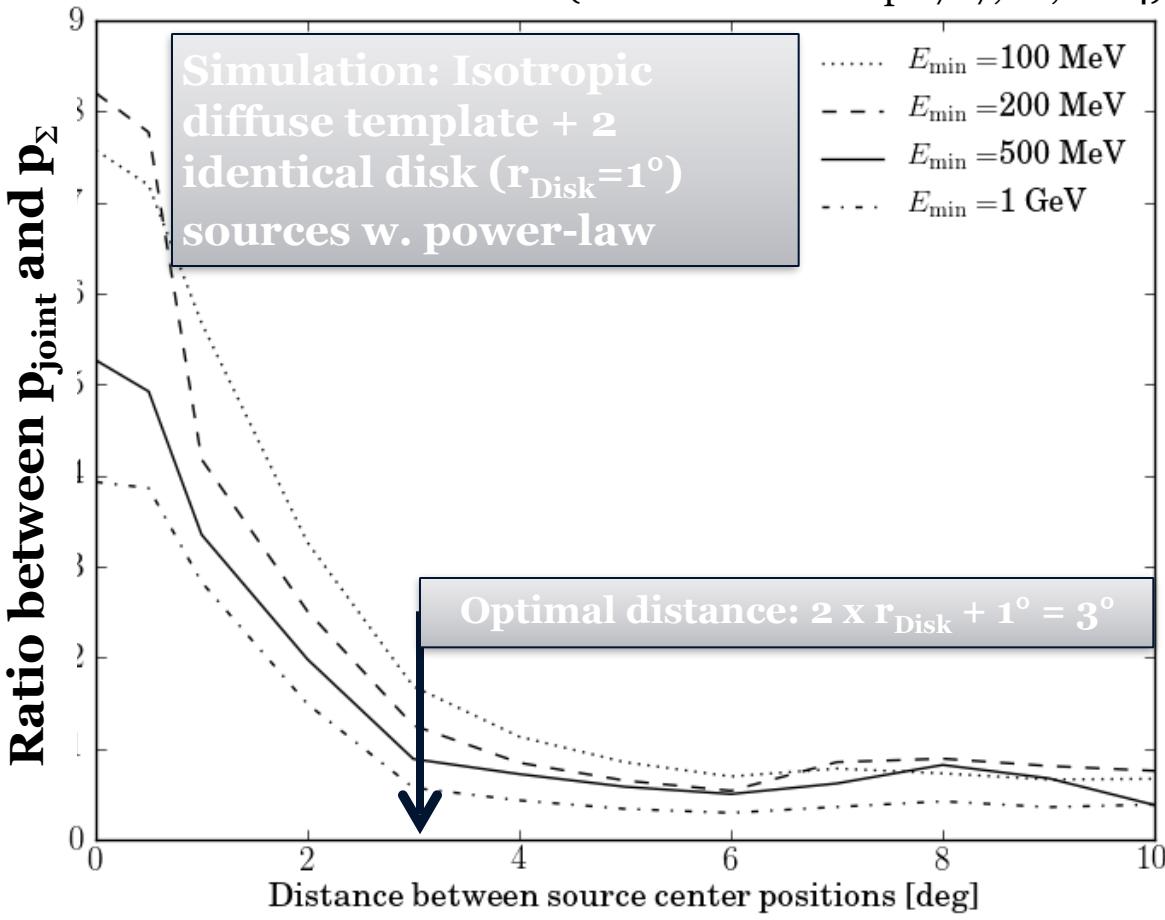


Photon Overlaps

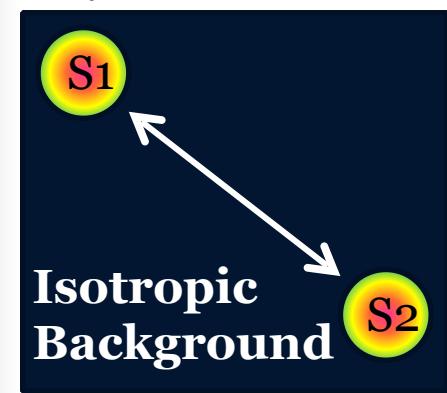
- **Joint LLH** does not include **correlation terms**
 - Need **independent analysis** regions “ROI”
 - “double counting of backgrounds”
 - **Targets should not overlap**
 - “photon sharing”
- Possible **bias** when deriving significance from **p-values**
 - $p = 1 - \text{erf}(\sqrt{\text{TS}}/2)$ – connects p-value with TS
 - uncorrelated case $p_{\Sigma} = p_1 \times p_2$
 - Compare p_{joint} with p_{Σ} from **simulations**

Bias on p-values due to Overlaps

Ackermann et al. (Fermi-LAT Coll. ApJ 787, 18, 2014)

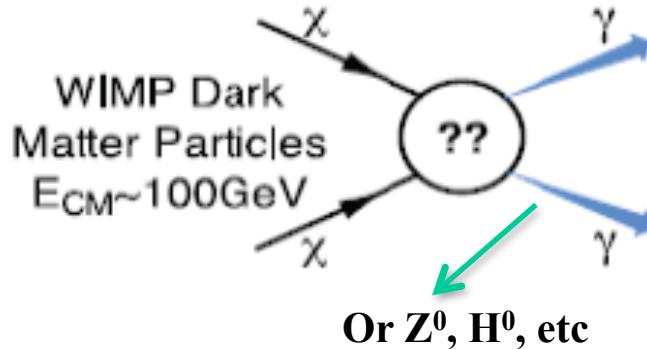


Toy MC



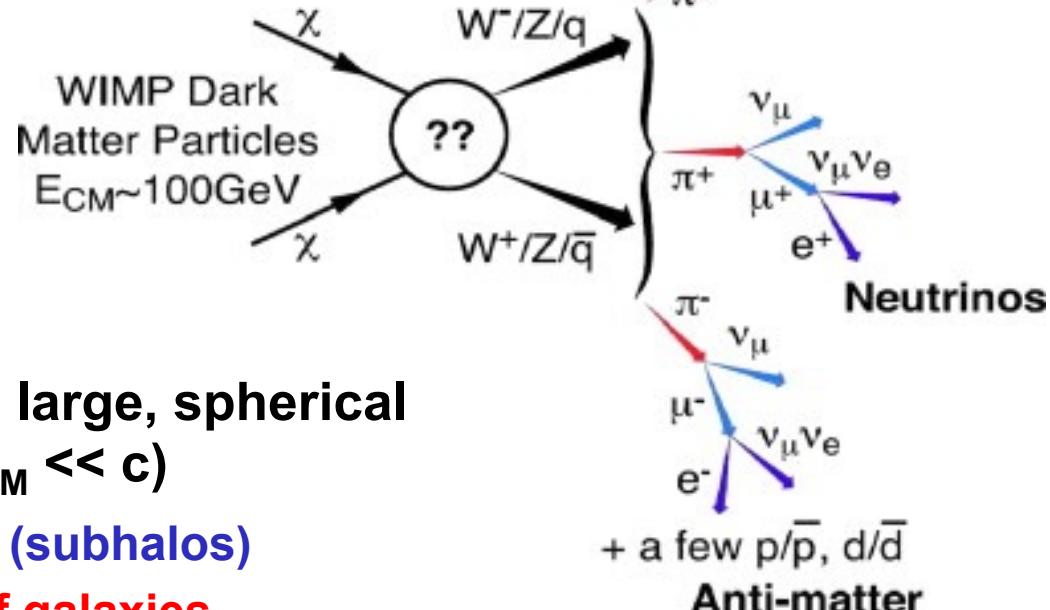
Gamma-Rays from WIMPs

Spectral Line



Broad, continuum

WIMP Dark Matter Particles $E_{CM} \sim 100\text{GeV}$



- Believe the Milky Way sits in a large, spherical “halo” or cloud of cold DM ($v_{DM} \ll c$)
 - Expect DM overdensities (subhalos)
 - Largest are the dwarf galaxies
 - Other extra-galactic DM expected too (like clusters)
- WIMPs annihilations (decays) may produce gammas
 - Dominant channels \rightarrow broad continuum
 - Monochromatic channels expected to be rare (loop-suppressed)

Latest results from dwarfs

