

PROBES OF CCA, AGN BUBBLES, & TURBULENCE

Massimo (Max) Gaspari

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY



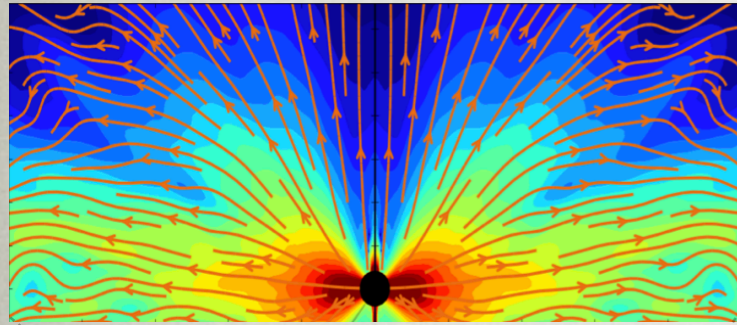
LYMAN SPITZER JR. FELLOW

“BLACK HOLE WEATHER”

(PI: M. GASPARI)

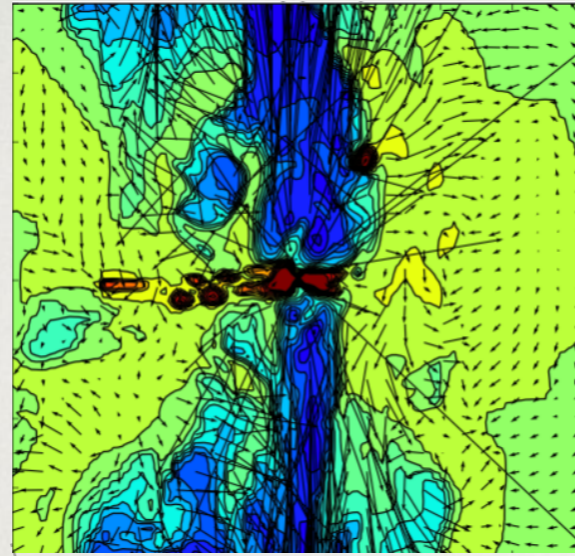
Gaspari et al. 2009,
2011a,b, 2012a
macro AGN outflows

Gaspari et al. 2017a,b

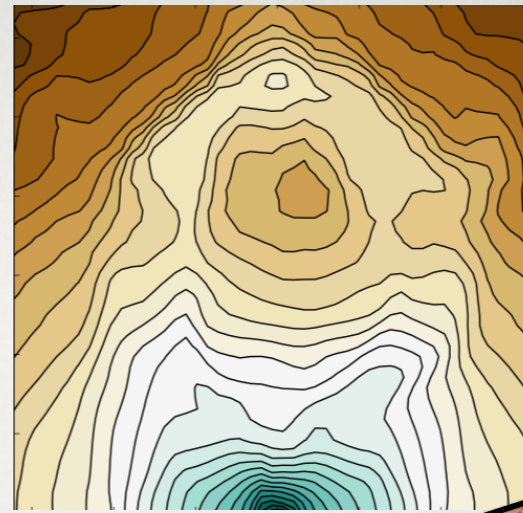


GR-MHD outflows/jets

3.

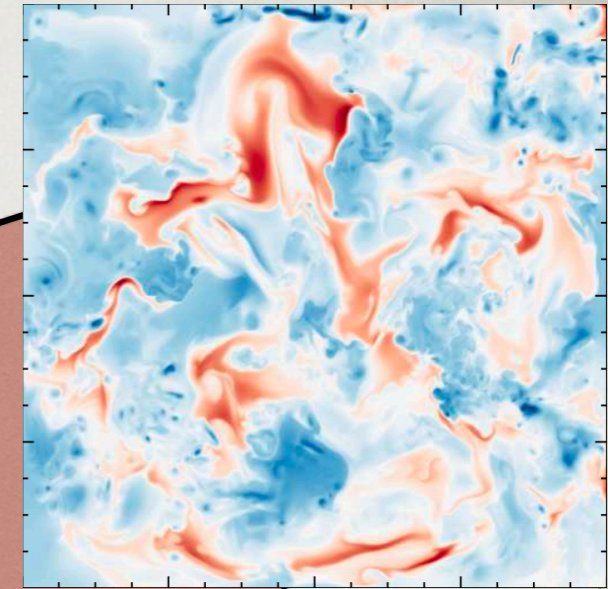


AGN bubble within
cocoon shock



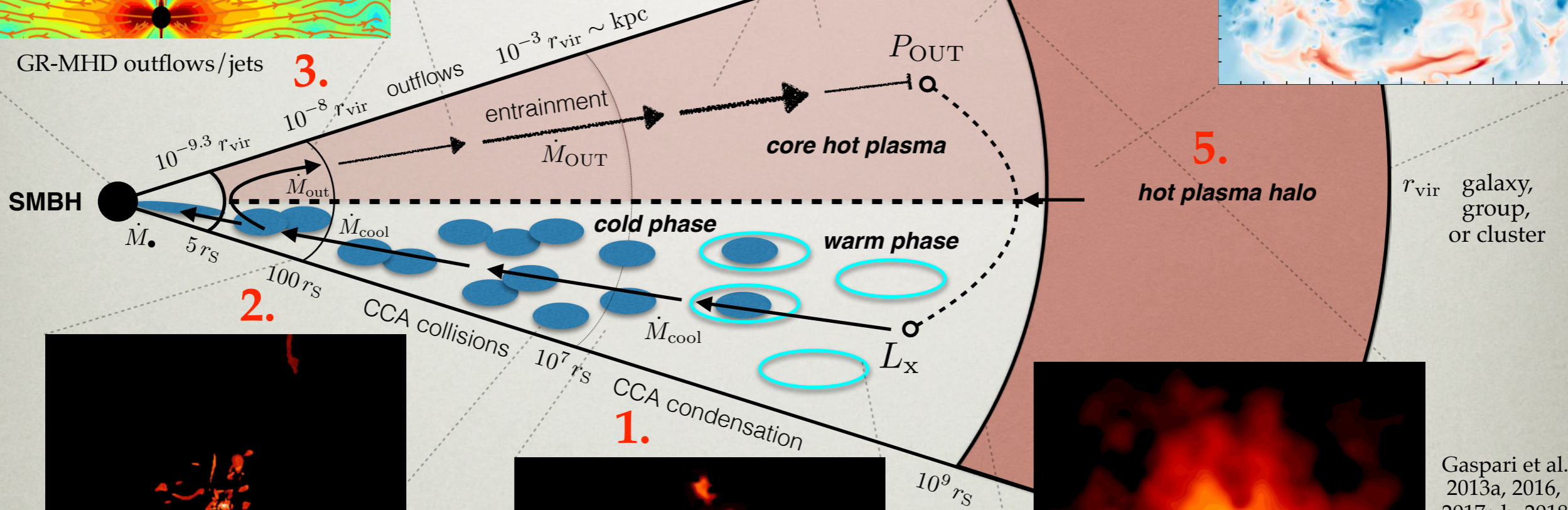
Gaspari et al.
2012a,b, 2013

merger-driven
density fluctuations
Gaspari et al. 2013b, 2014a



4.
 $r_{\text{core}} \approx 0.1 r_{\text{vir}}$

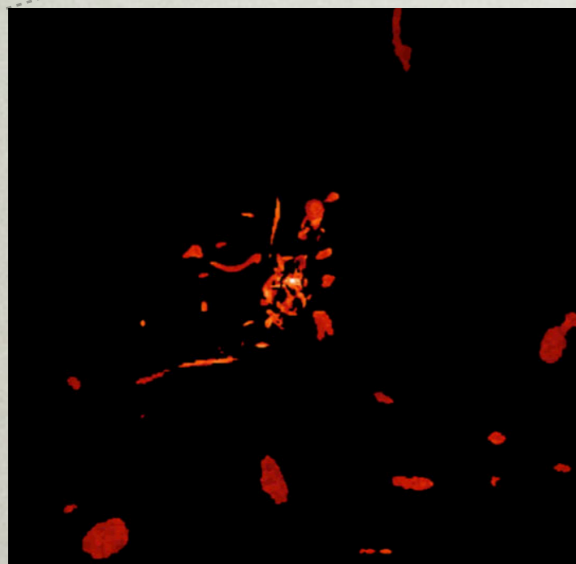
$t_{\text{cool}} > t_{\text{age}}$



5.

hot plasma halo

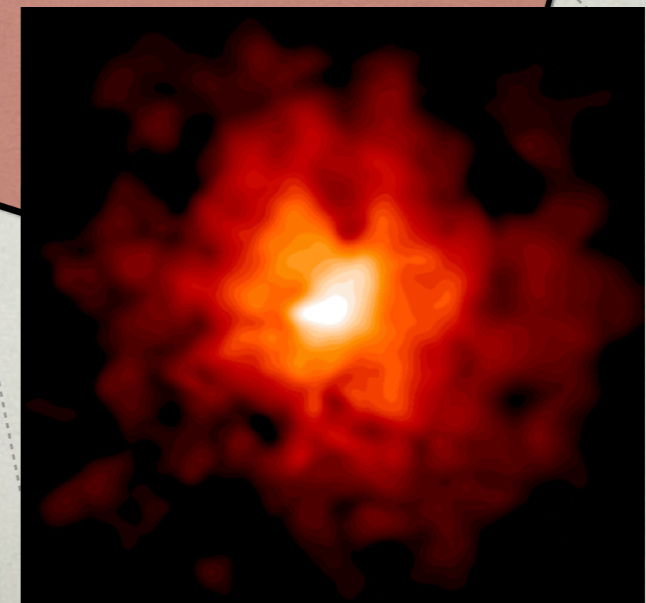
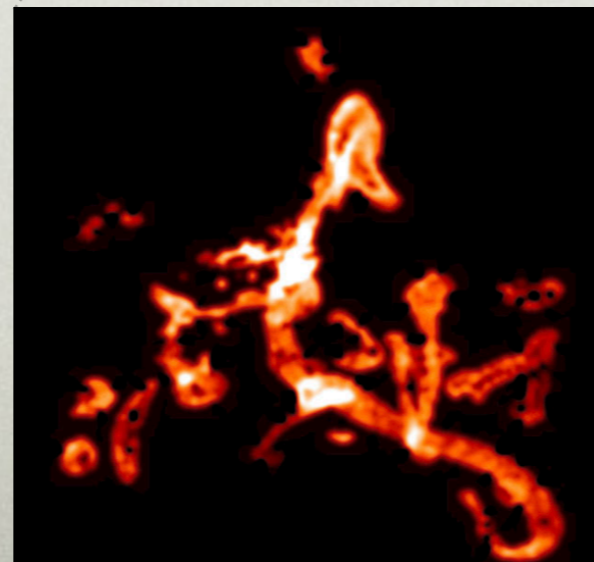
r_{vir} galaxy,
group,
or cluster



molecular clouds
(radio)

Gaspari et al.
2013a, 2015, 2017a

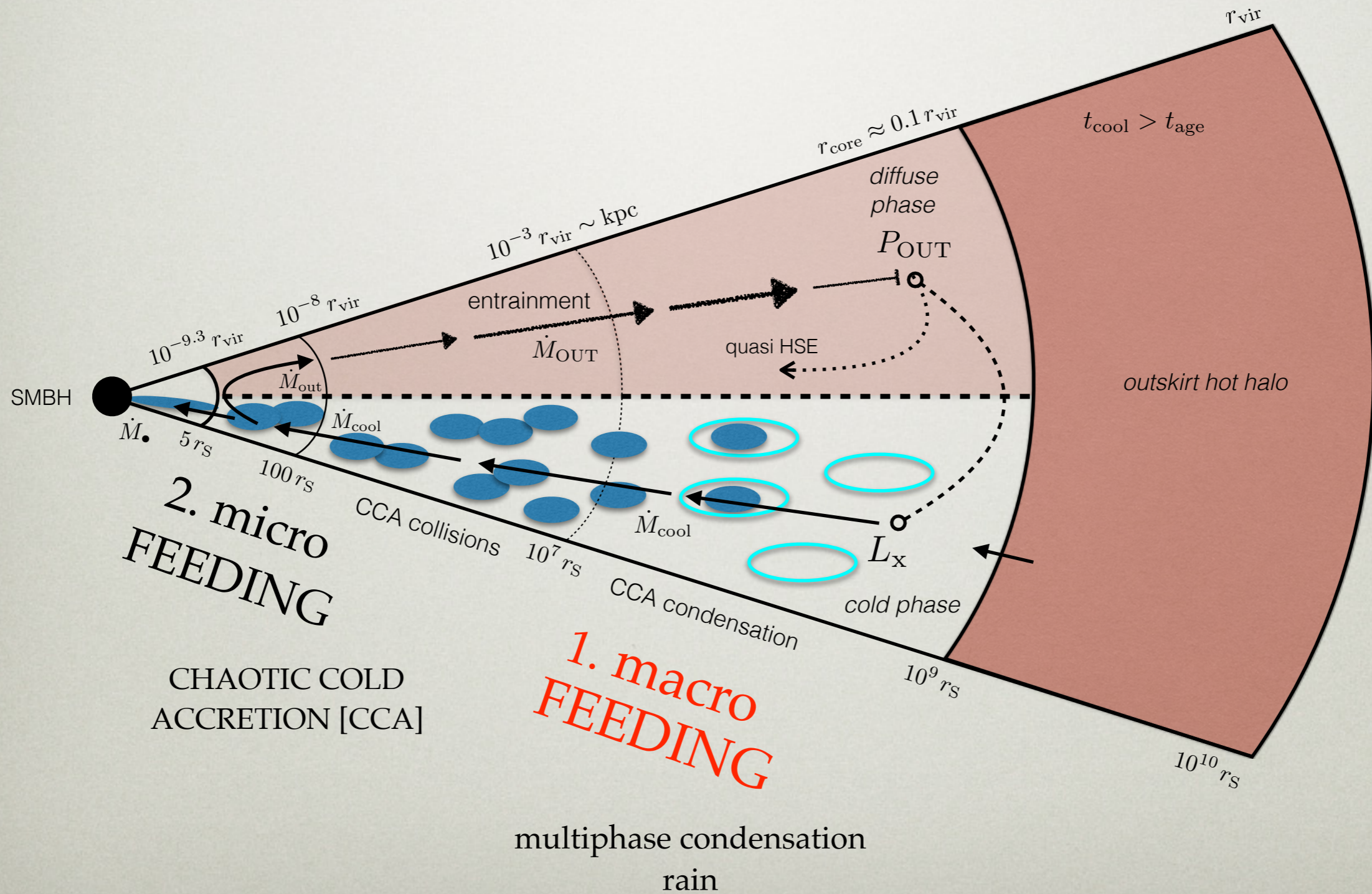
warm filaments (optical)



turbulent X-ray plasma core

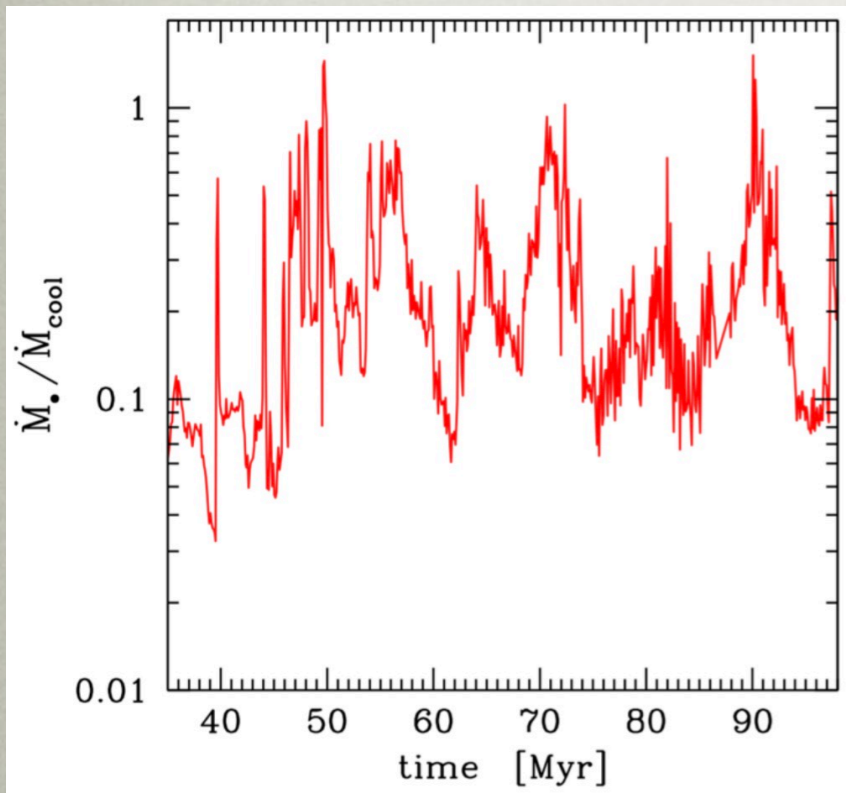
Gaspari et al.
2013a, 2016,
2017a,b, 2018

“BLACK HOLE WEATHER” PROGRAM

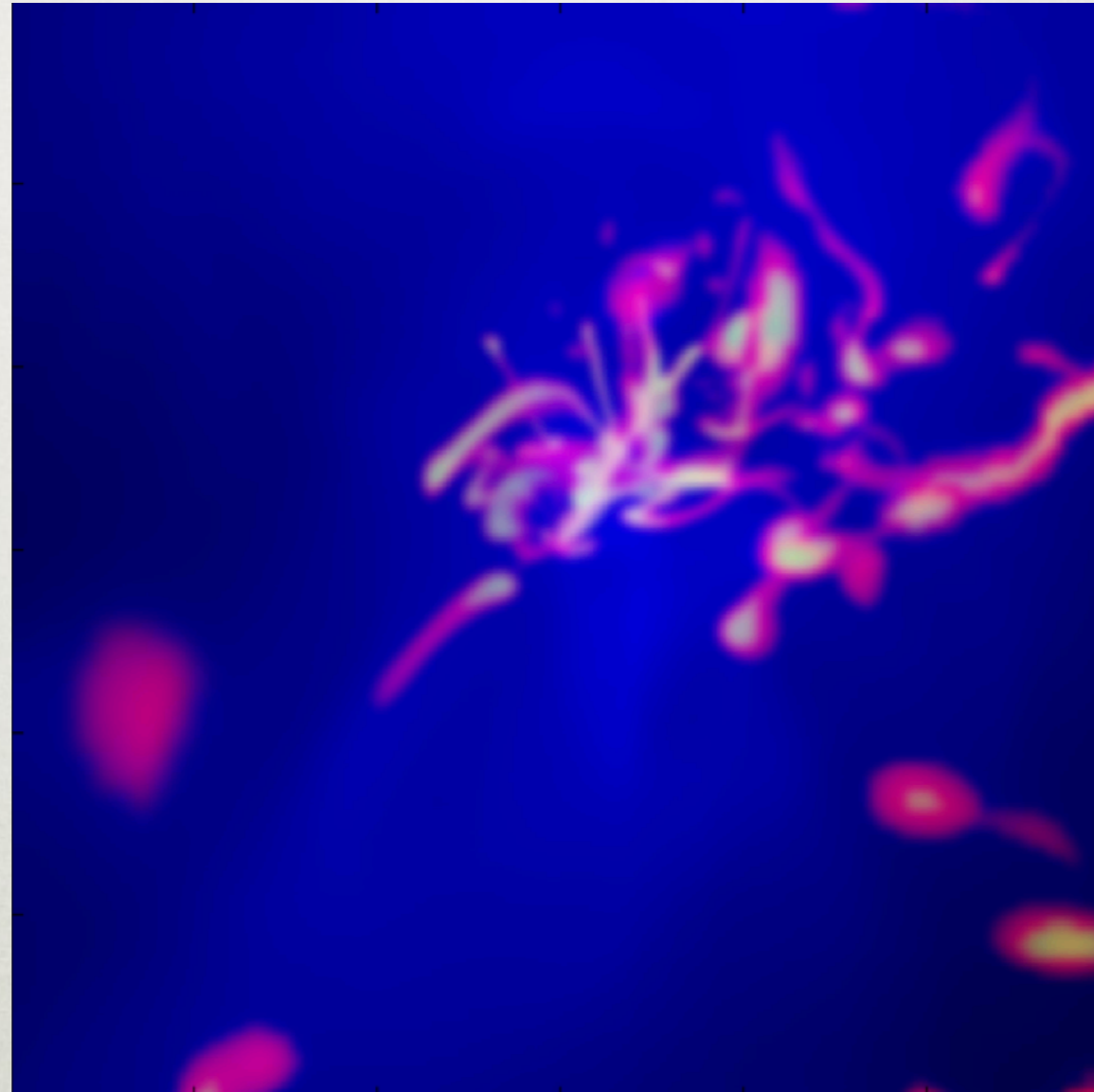


RAINING ON BLACK HOLES

a.k.a. Chaotic Cold Accretion [CCA] — Gaspari, Ruszkowski, & Oh 2013



chaotic collisions => recurrent
2 dex boost in accretion rate
~ 100x Bondi rate



TURBULENT and
heated atmosphere

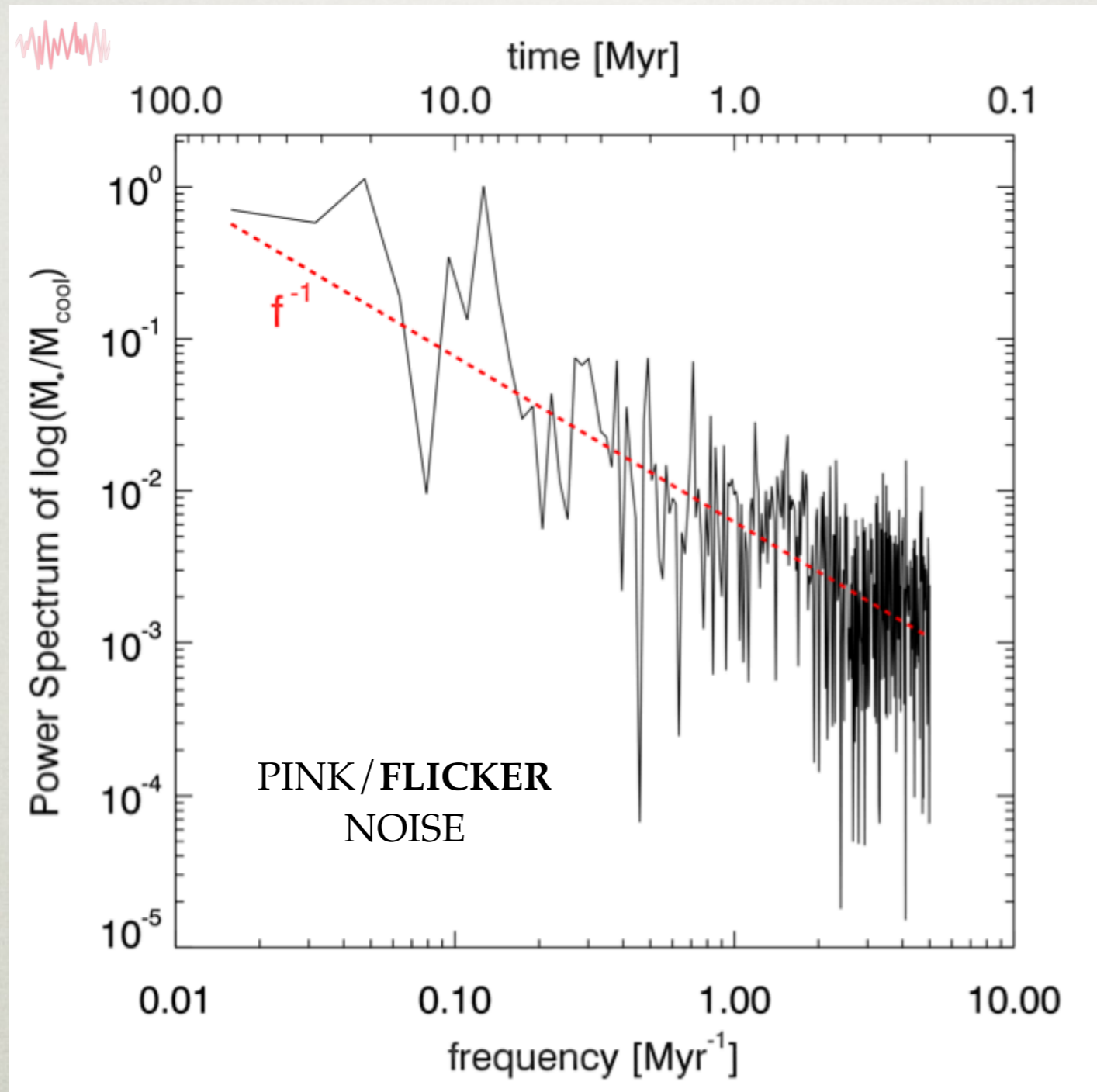
turbulence ~150 km/s

Gaspari+2017

RGB surface density: plasma (blue), warm gas (red), cold gas (green)

CHAOTIC COLD ACCRETION VARIABILITY

Gaspari+2017



natural explanation for the
ubiquitous rapid
variability of AGN

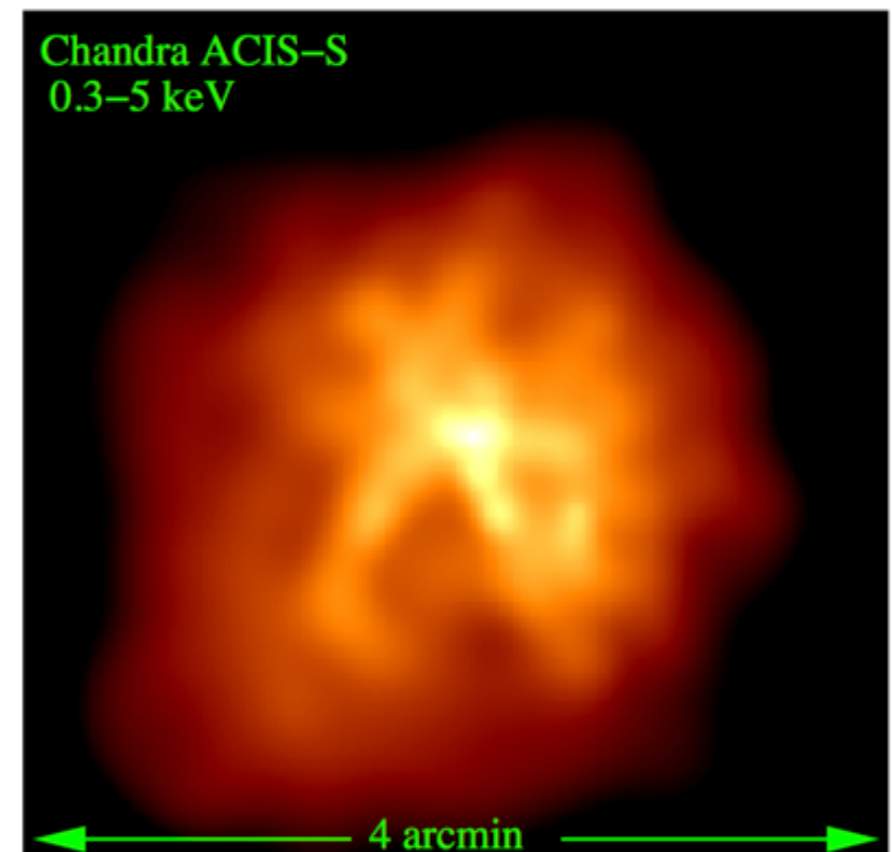
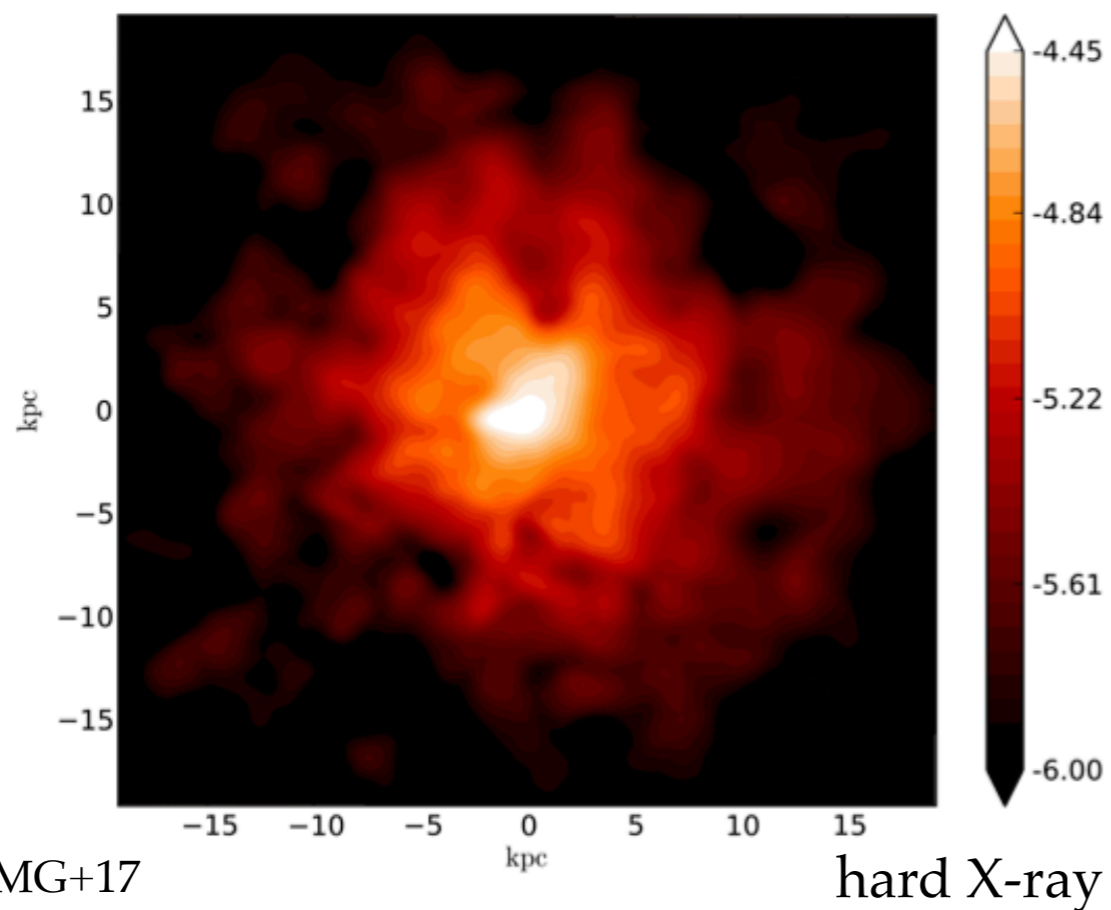
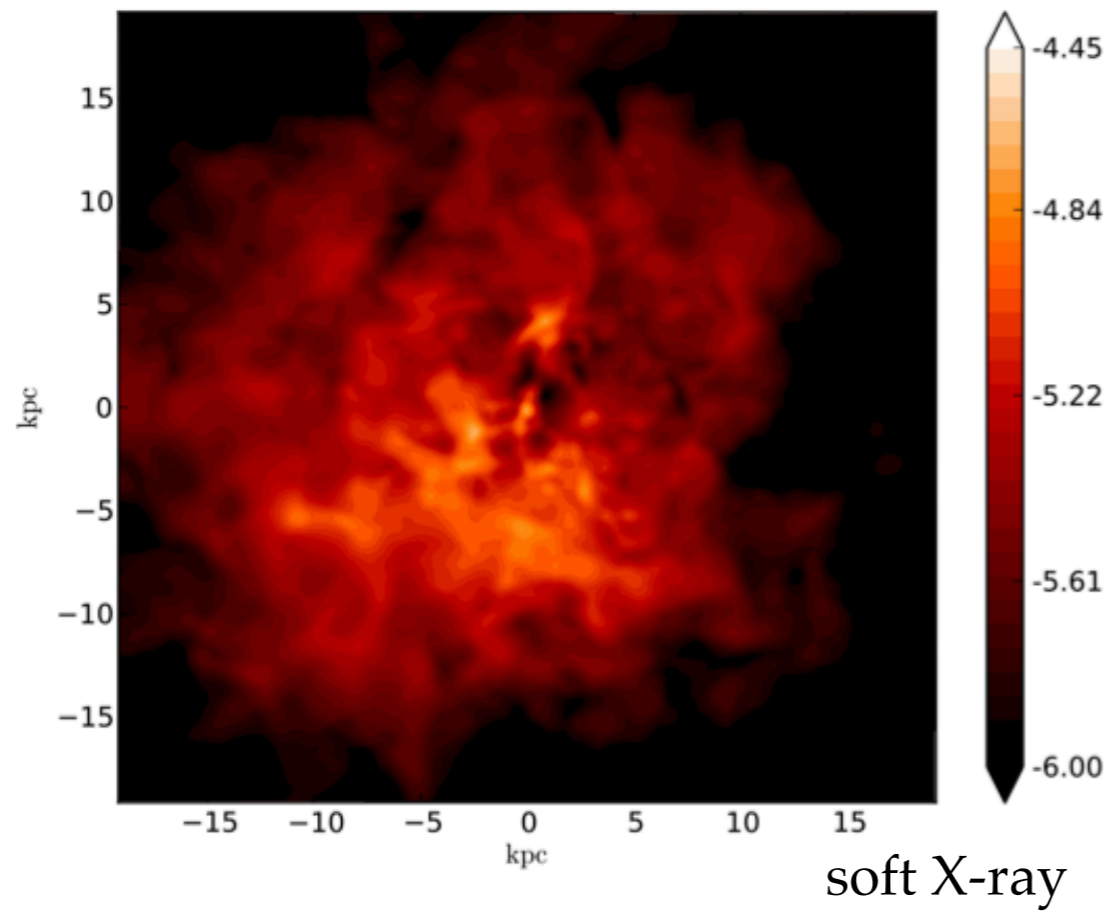
constant variance per log interval => large self-similar variability on different timescales

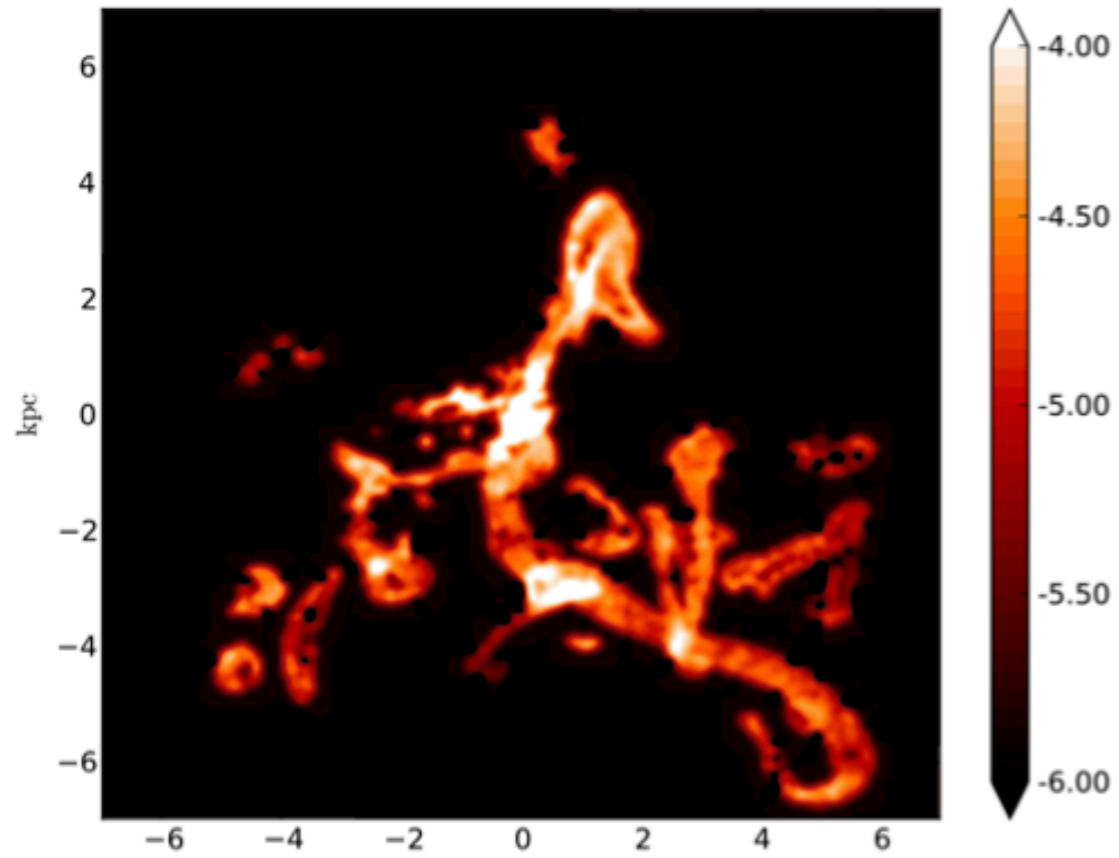
characteristic of fractal and chaotic phenomena:

quasars (e.g., 3C273), sunspots, meteorological data / **RAINFALLS**, heart beat rhythms, neural activity, stock market, ...

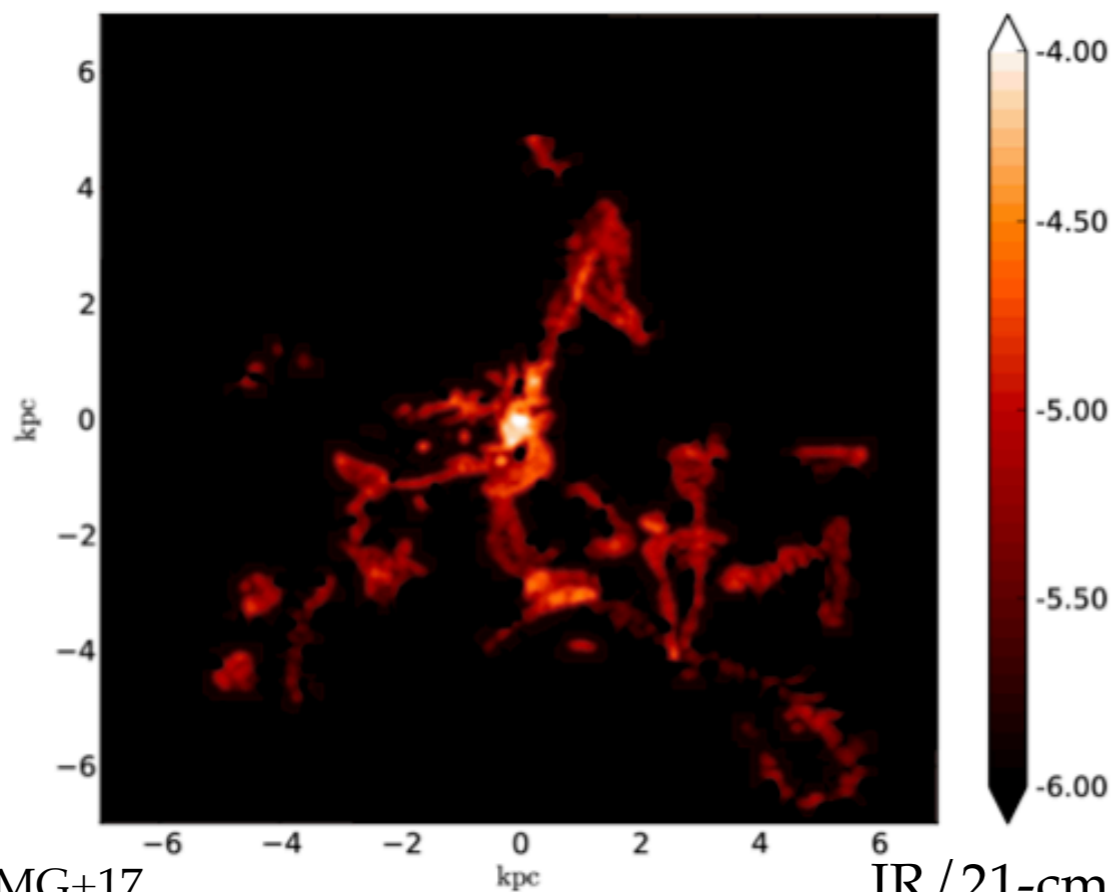
MULTIPHASE RAIN: 1. HOT PLASMA

- turbulent eddies imprint => naturally create “cavities” / “fronts”
- X-ray “filaments” start to appear below 0.5 keV
- weak subsonic turbulence is enough to trigger CCA

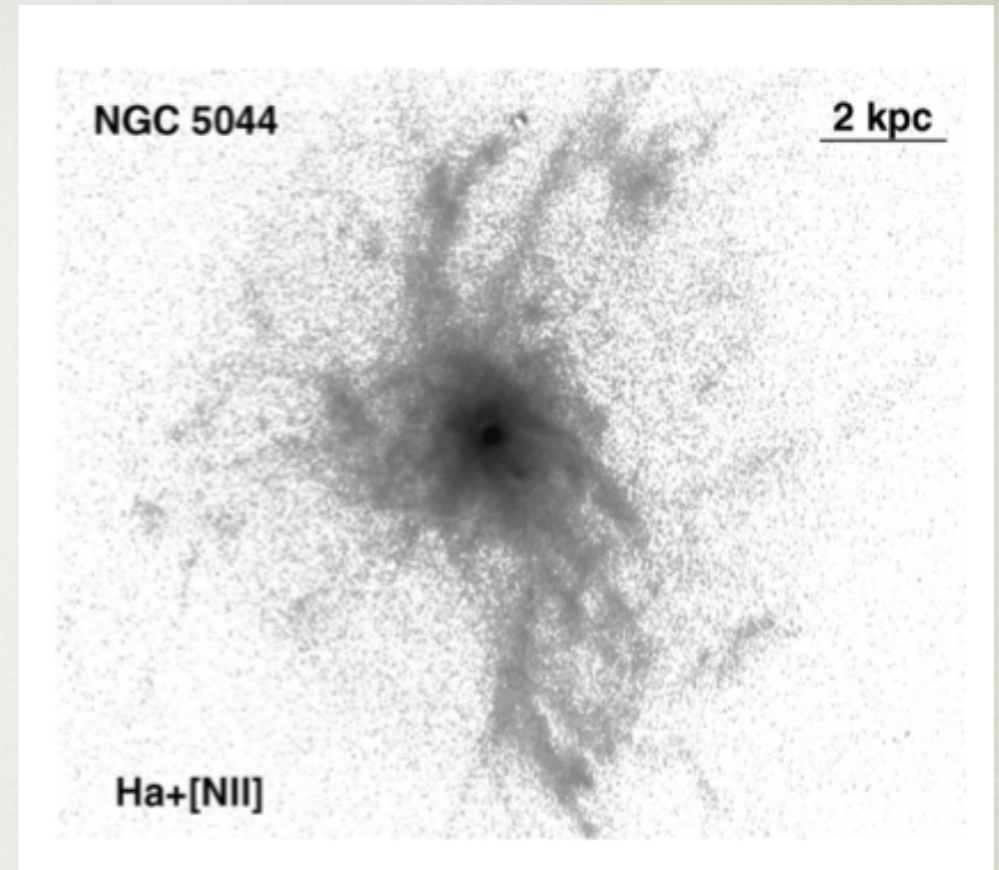




ionized warm phase optical/UV



MG+17
neutral warm phase



- robust thermal instability /
multiphase condensation criterion:

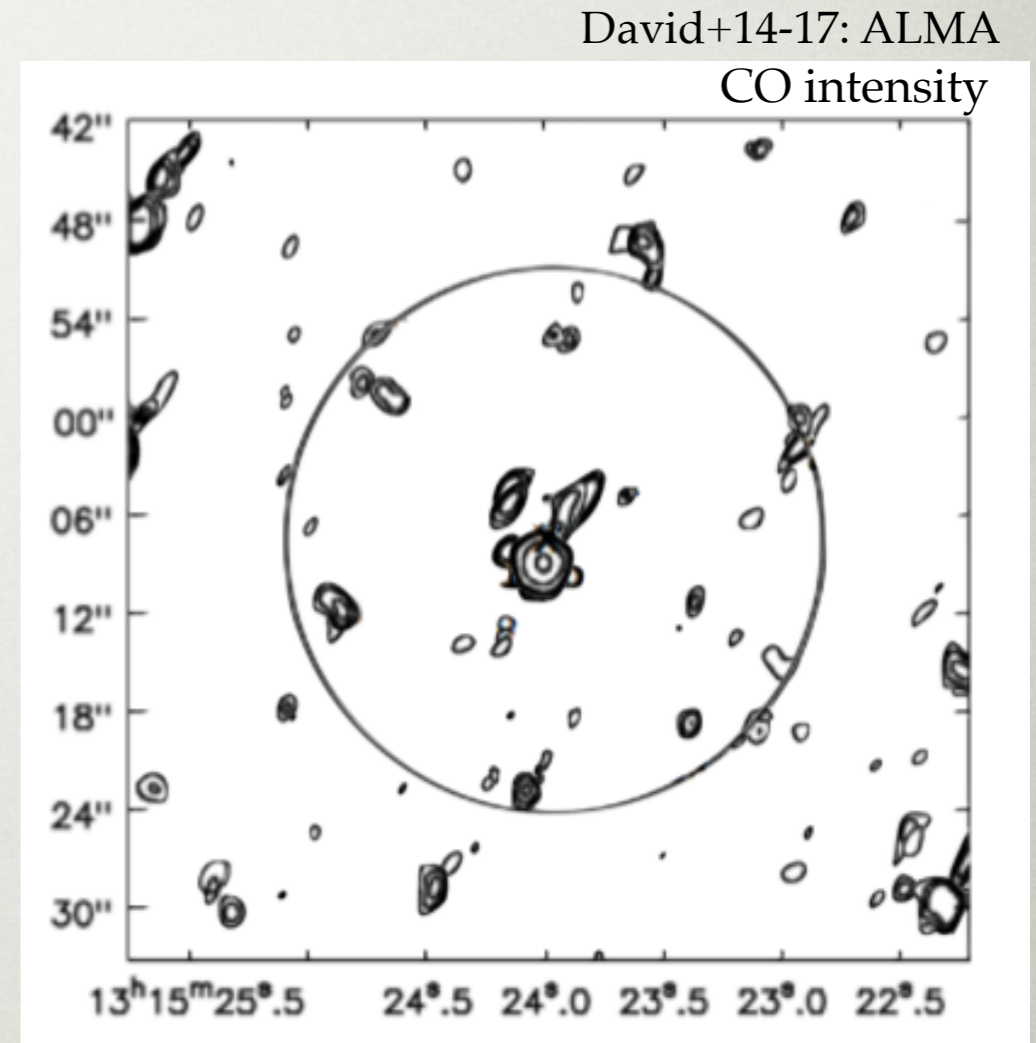
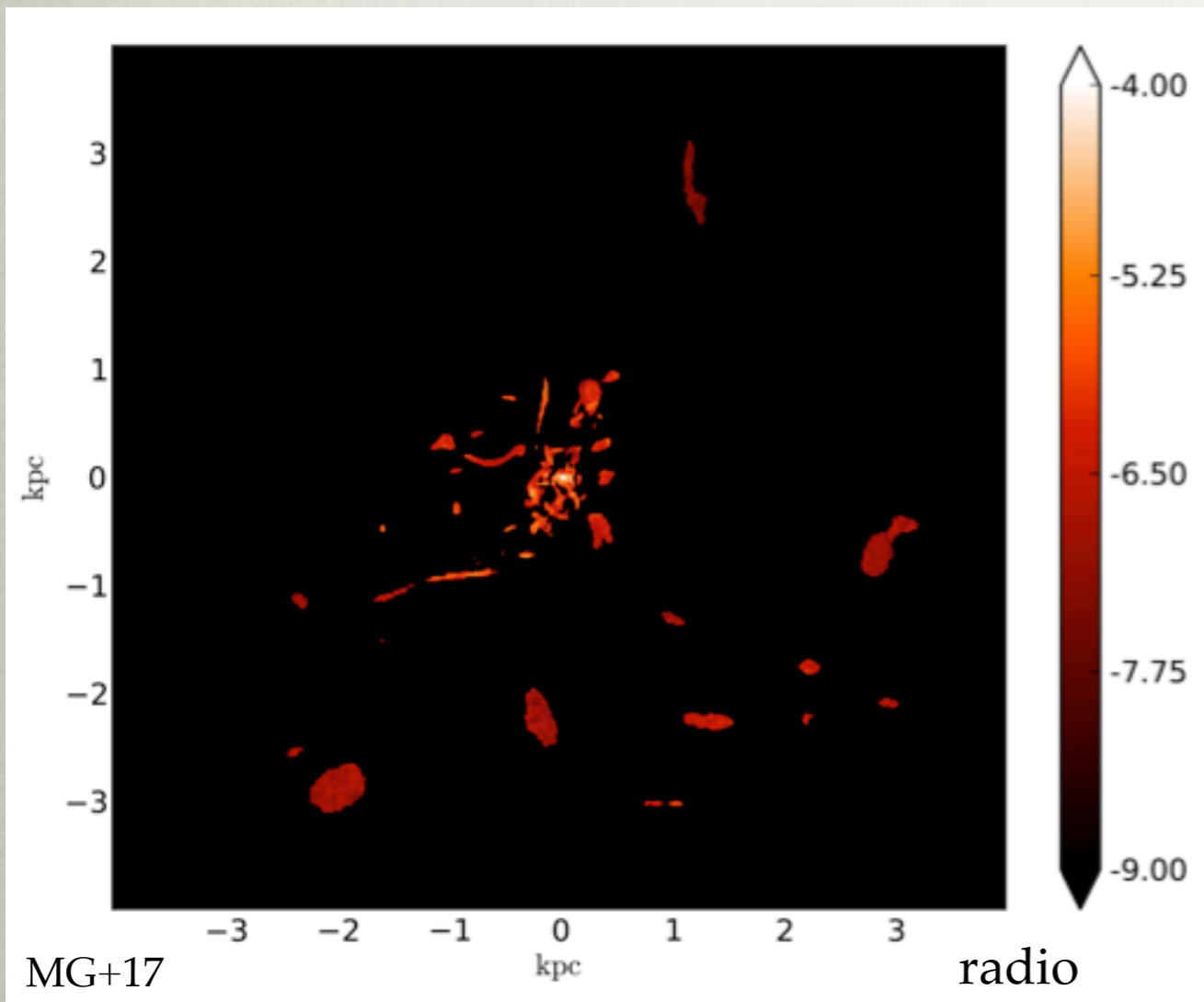
$$C \equiv t_{\text{cool}}/t_{\text{eddy}} \approx 1$$

- **top-down** condensation: ionized skin envelops neutral filaments
- **filaments** naturally form out of the interacting sheets between large-scale eddies

MULTIPHASE RAIN: 2. WARM PHASE

MULTIPHASE RAIN:

3. COLD/MOLECULAR PHASE



- GMAs (**giant molecular associations**), radius < 50-70 pc with surface density ranging 50-200 Msun/pc² (~galactic clouds)
- **cospatial** with warm phase and soft X-ray plasma, though more compact
- **dynamically supported** (virial parameter $\gg 1$) — turbulent pressure dominant

KINEMATIC TRACERS

MULTIPHASE RAIN

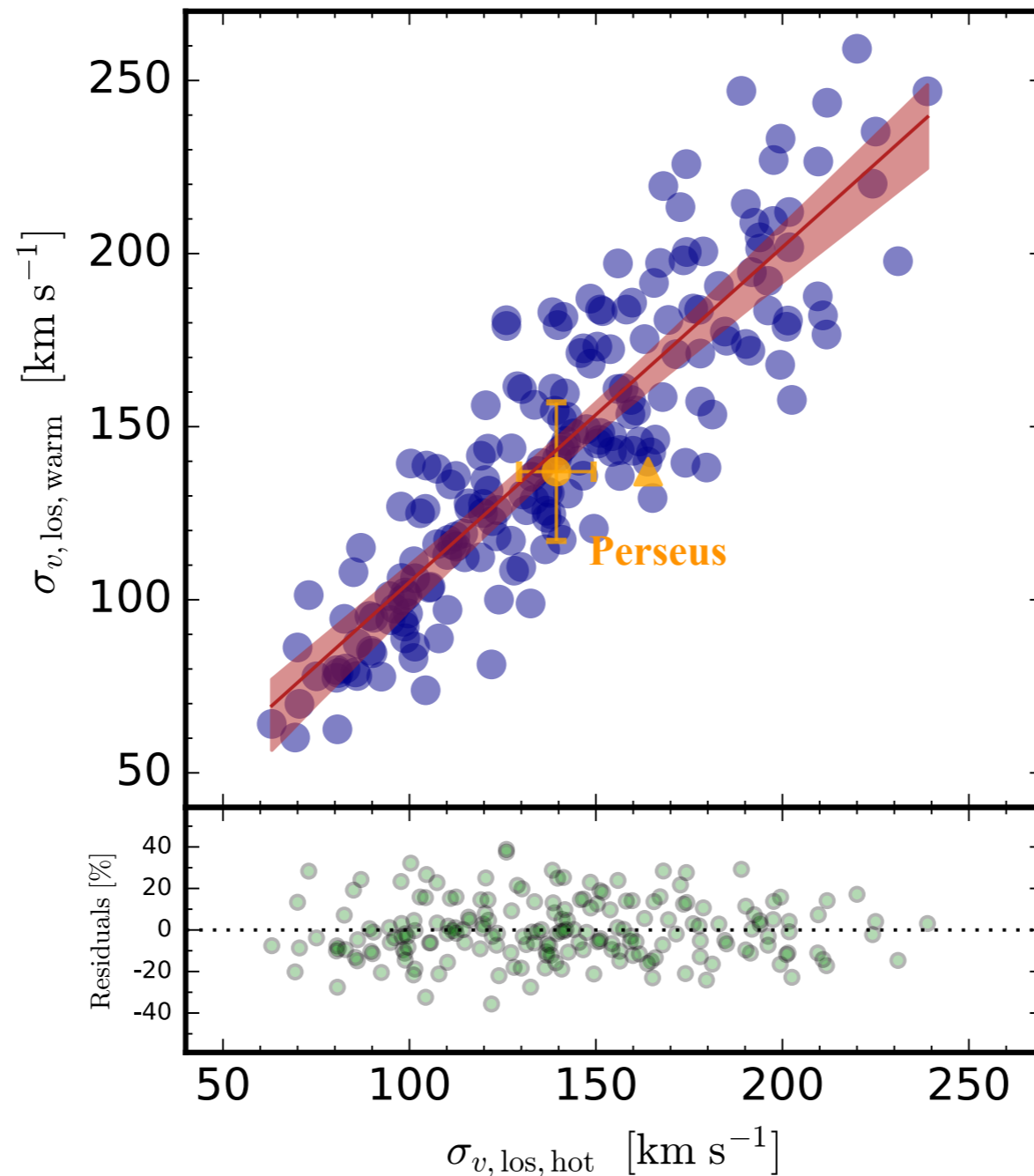
“shaken snow globes”

Gaspari et al. 2018

ENSEMBLE beam
($R < 50$ kpc,
arcmin scale)

novel method to constrain
turbulence in the hot phase

spectral line broadening
= turbulent motions



CCA-regulated
AGN jet feedback
simulation

global turbulence
kinematics:
**ensemble warm phase
and hot/plasma phase
are linearly related**

similar can be shown for UV - IR - radio (molecular) phases:

multiwavelength synergies: ATHENA - ALMA - JWST/ELT - VLT/MUSE, SINFONI - SKA

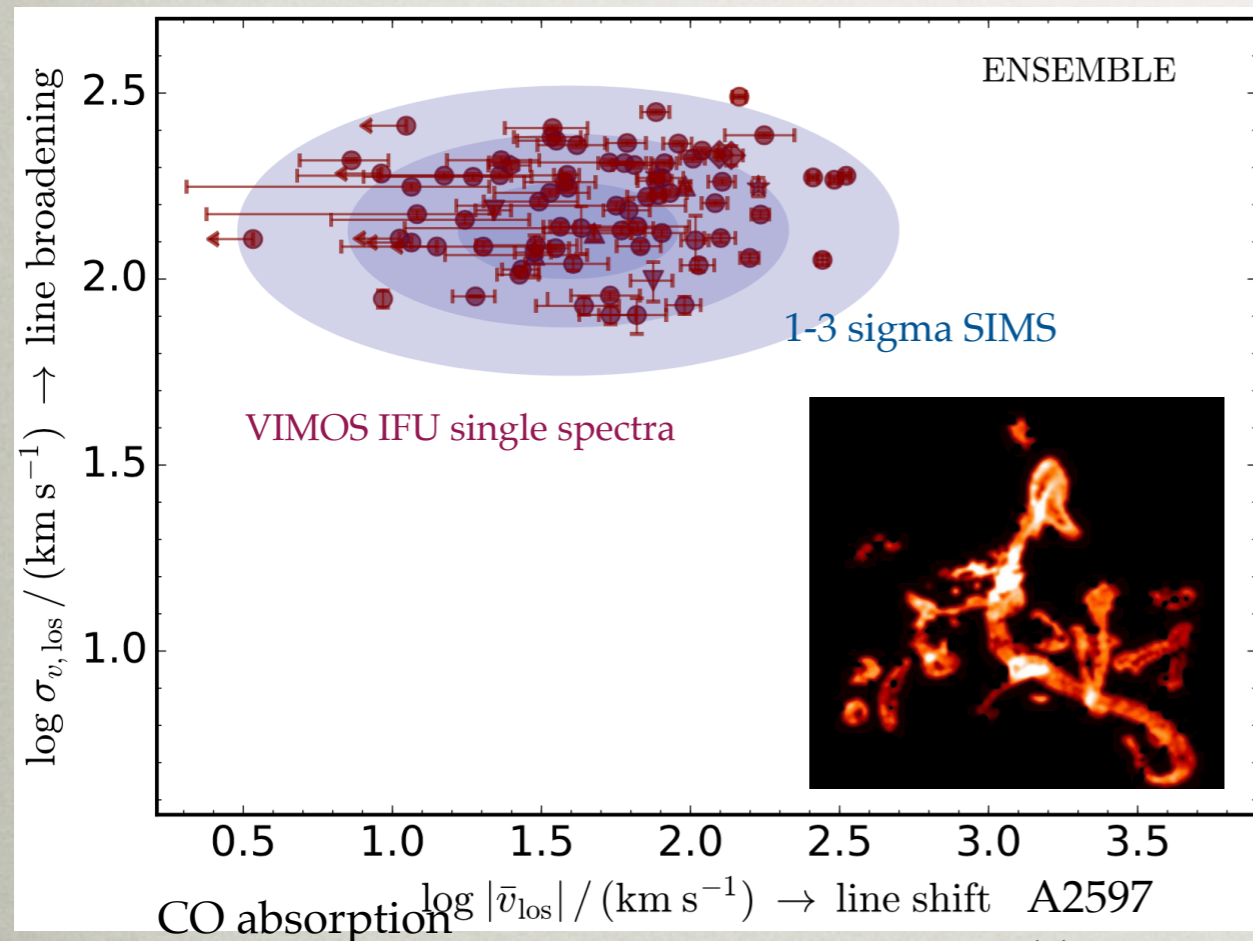
KINEMATIC TRACERS - RAIN/CCA

observational tests

(massive galaxies in groups and clusters)

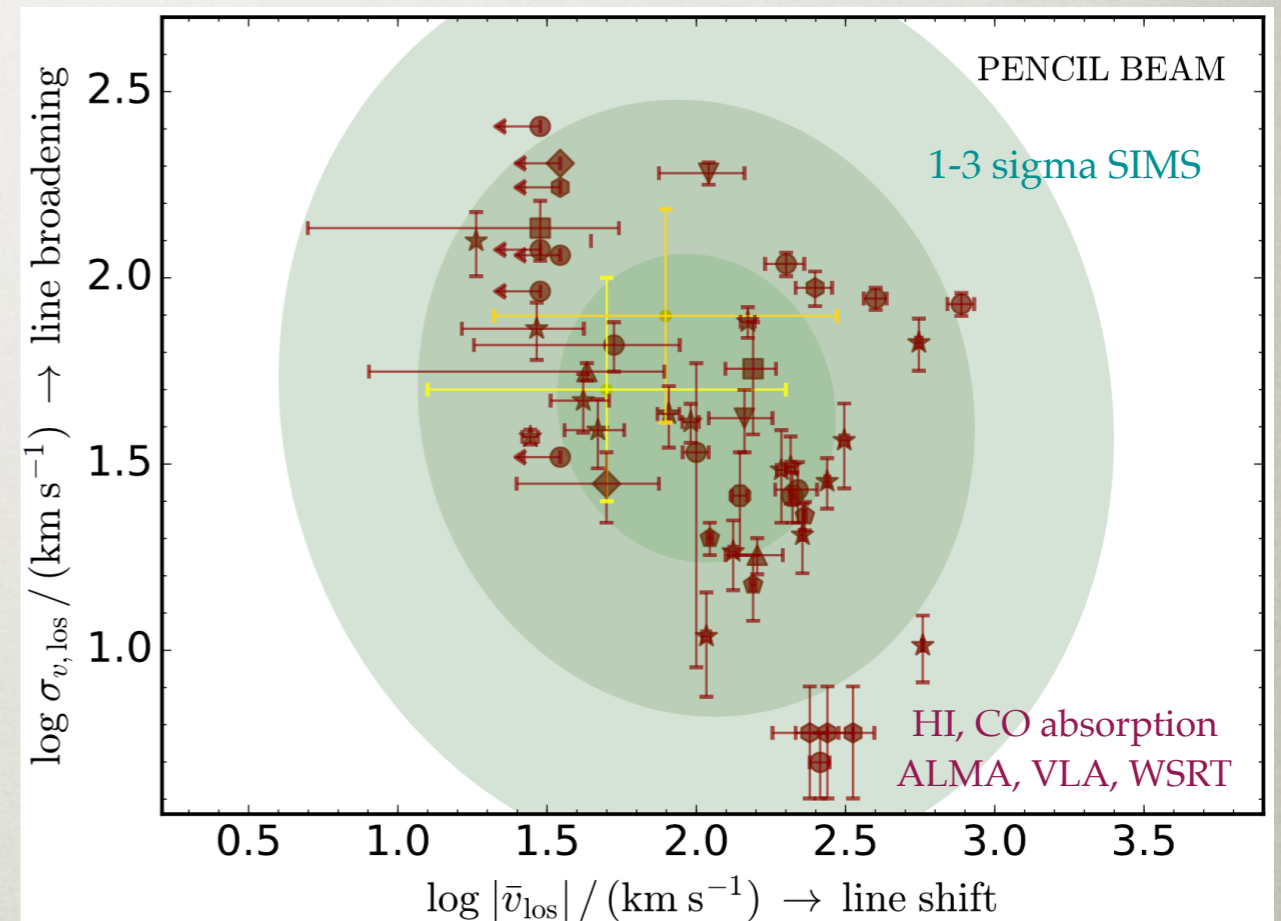
spectral line **broadening** = turbulent motions vs. line **shift** = bulk motions

MG+18



Tremblay+16-18

substantial line broadening and small scatter



large line shifts and narrow broadening: accreting clouds

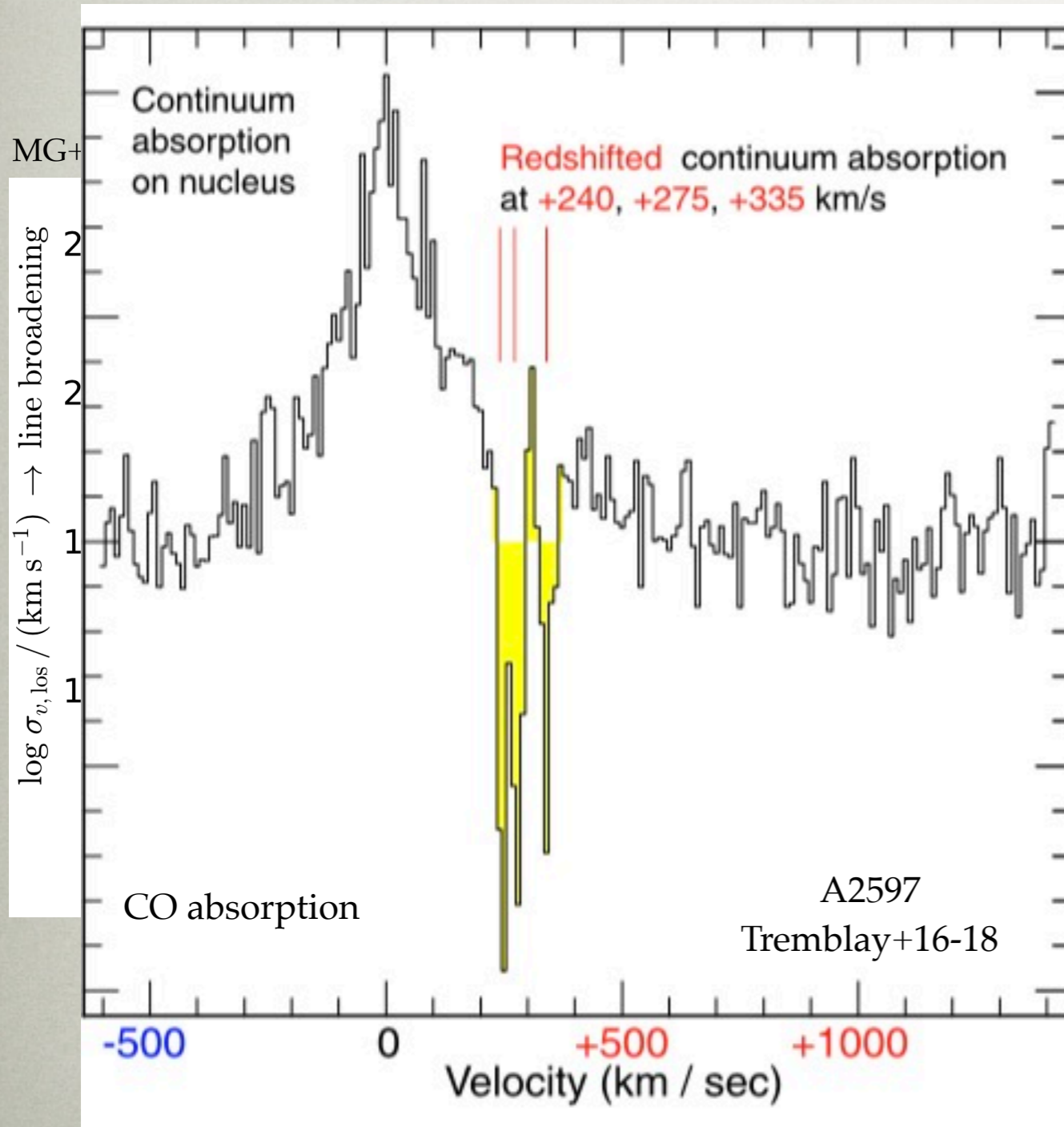
red points: ~80 systems ($\text{H}\alpha + [\text{NII}]$, HI, CO, [CII] lines) — contours: SIMS lognormal distributions

- $r < 100$ pc **funneling** of clouds with 100s km/s (recently probed by ALMA, e.g., N5044, A2597)

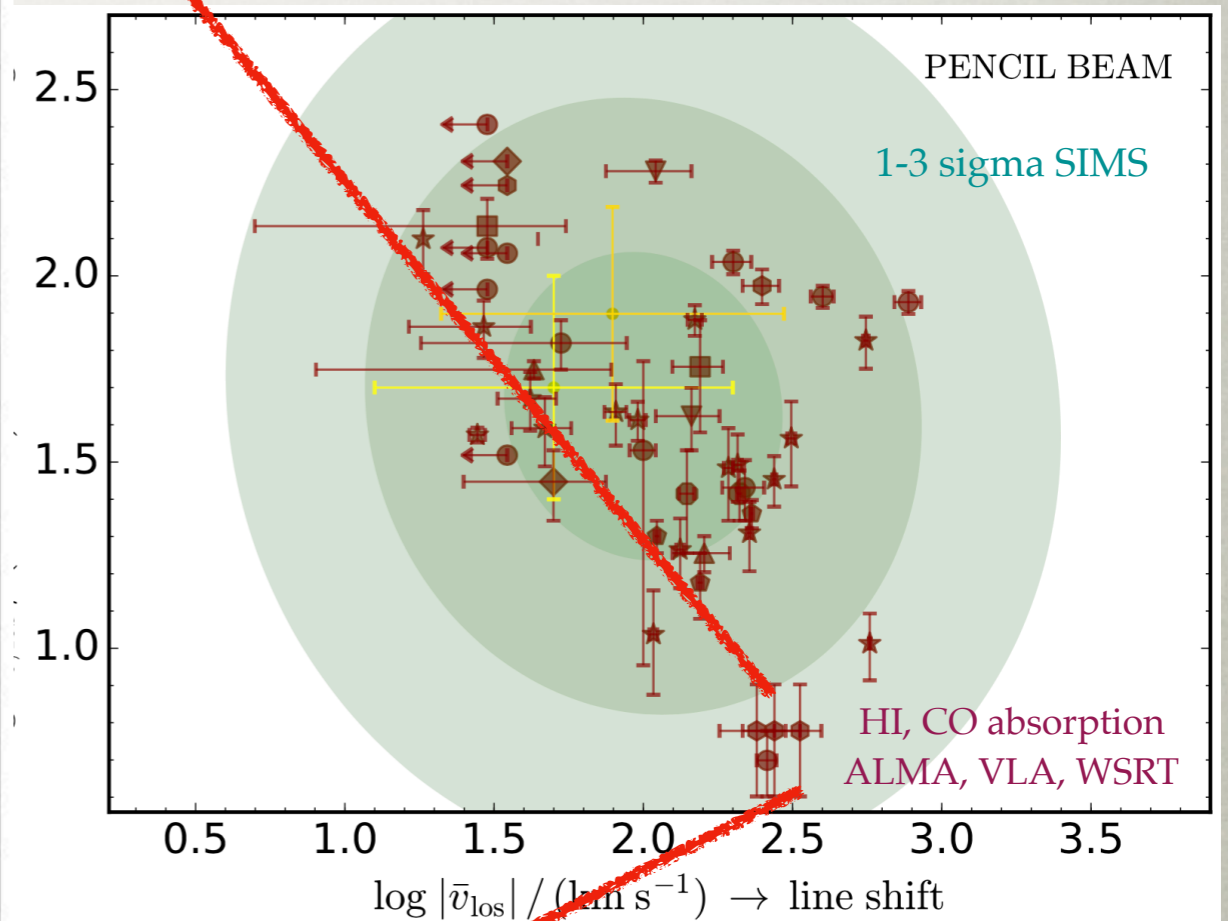
KINEMATIC TRACERS - RAIN/CCA

observational tests

(massive galaxies in groups and clusters)



notions vs. line shift = bulk motions



large line shifts and narrow broadening: accreting clouds

es) — contours: SIMS lognormal distributions

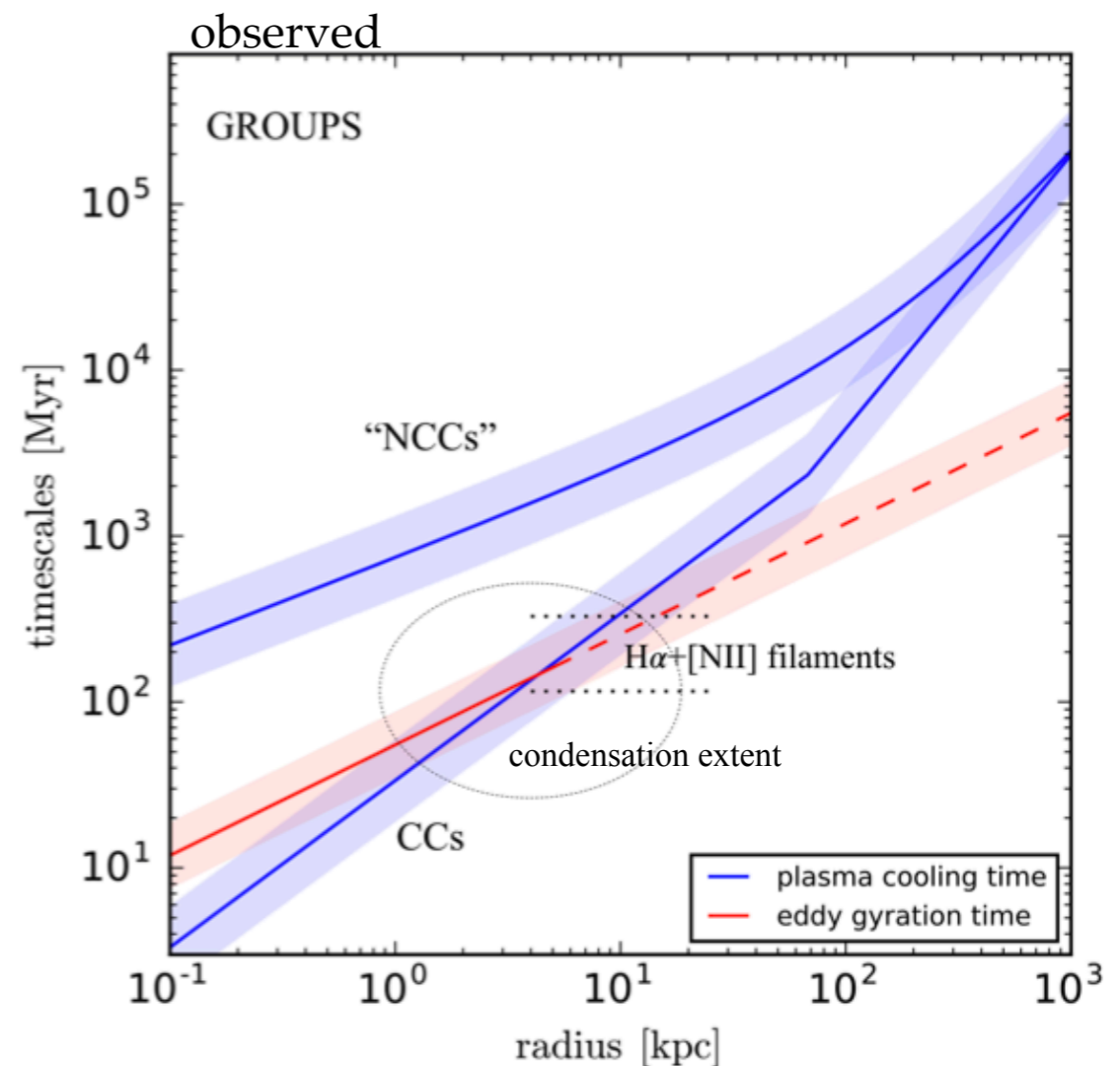
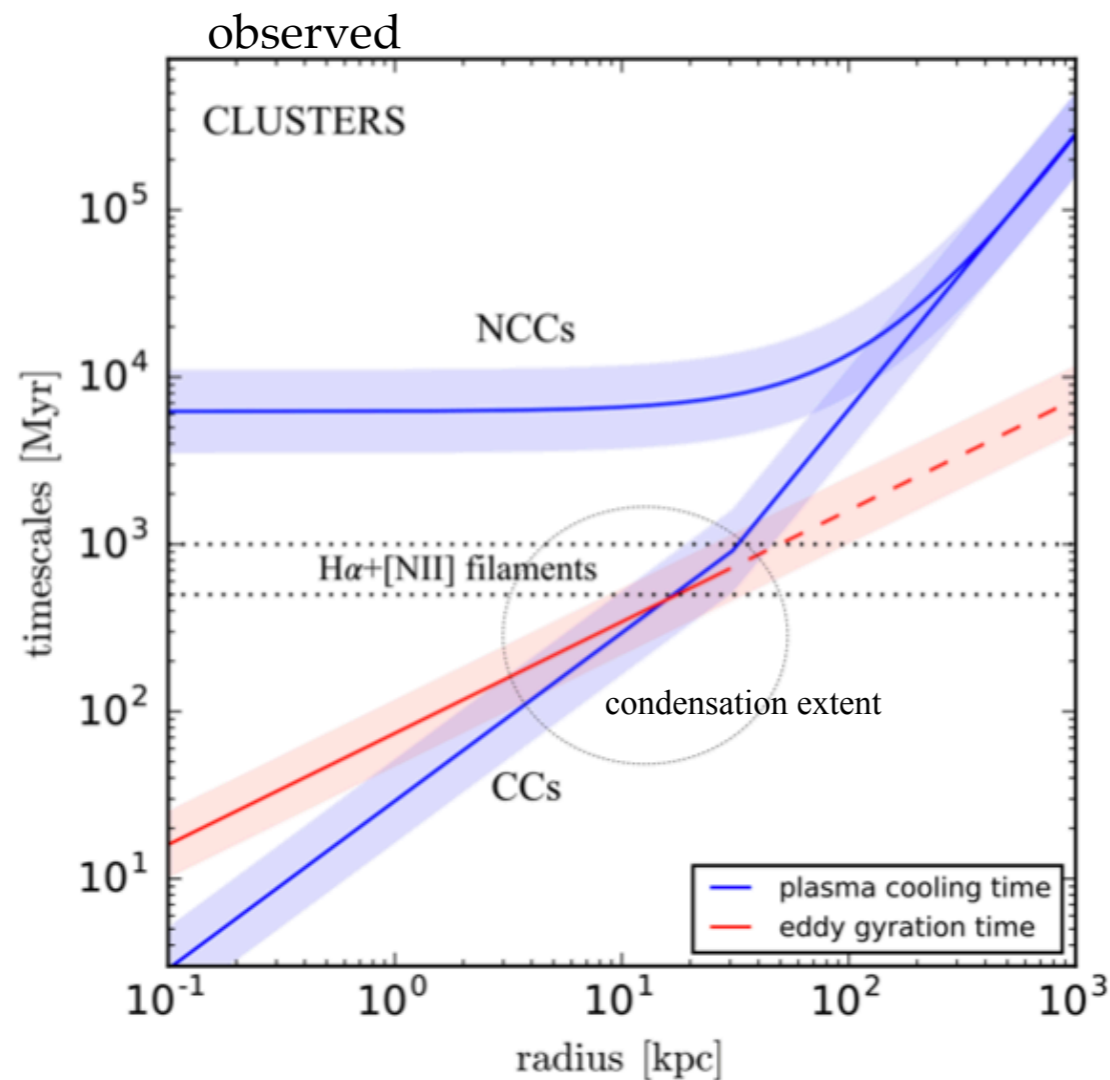
- $r < 100$ pc **funneling** of clouds with 100s km/s (recently probed by ALMA, e.g., N5044, A2597)

KINEMATIC TRACERS:

key physically-motivated condensation criterion

$$C \equiv t_{\text{cool}}/t_{\text{eddy}} \approx 1$$

Gaspari et al. 2018



plasma cooling time

$$t_{\text{cool}} = \frac{3k_b T}{n_e \Lambda}$$

versus

eddy gyration time

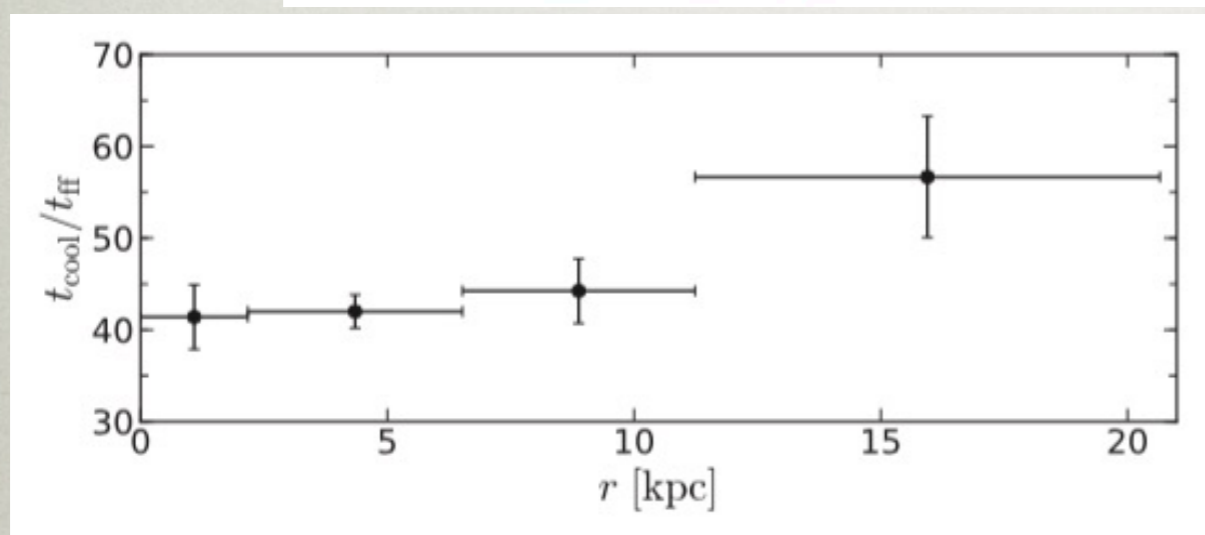
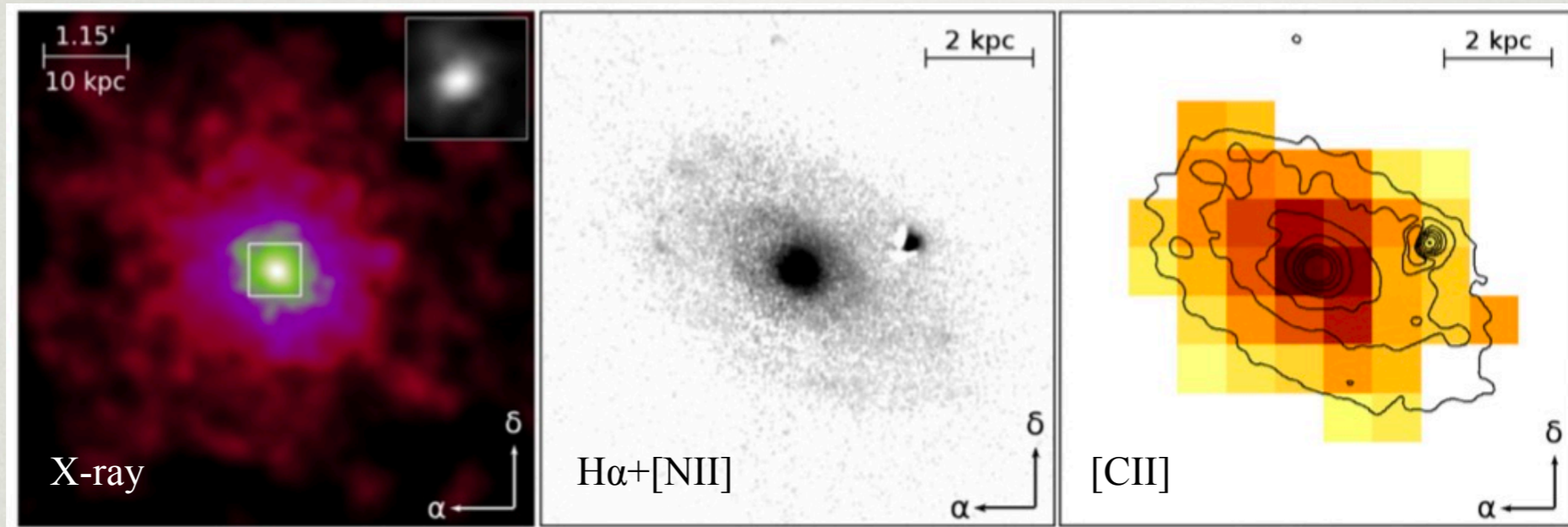
$$t_{\text{eddy}} = 2\pi \frac{r^{2/3} L^{1/3}}{\sigma_{v,L}}$$

free-fall time likely secondary

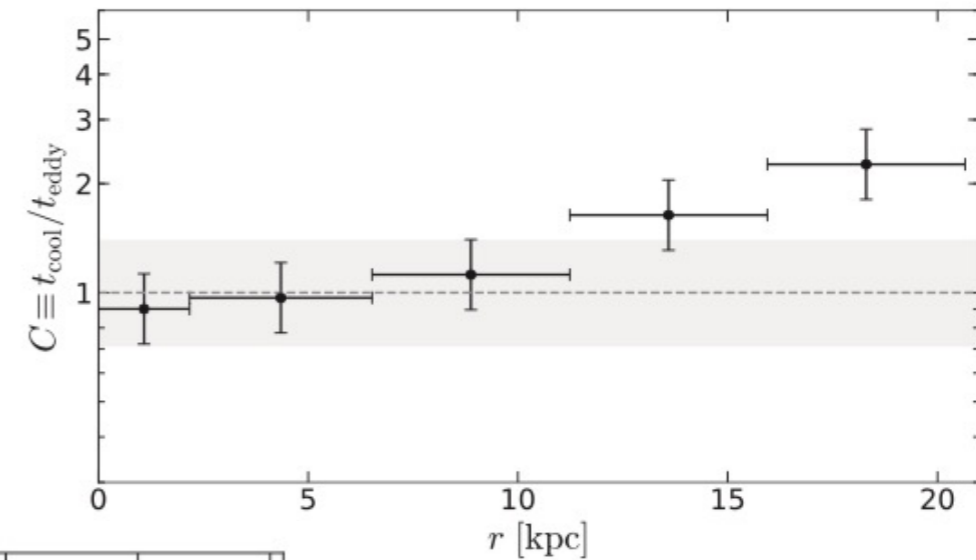
CONDENSATION CRITERIA

interesting case: NGC 7049 (rotating ETG)

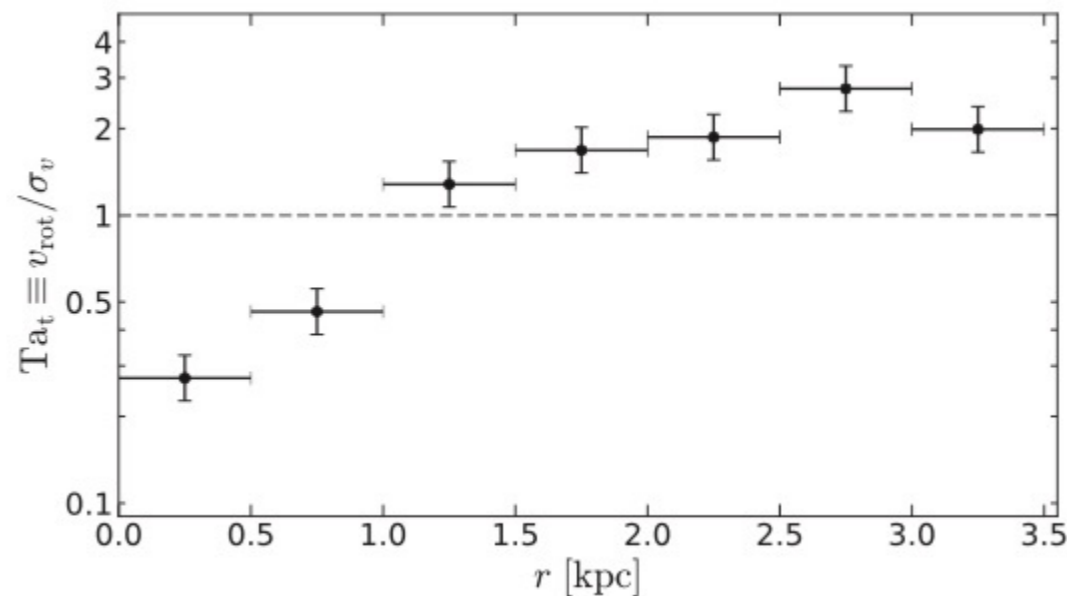
Juranova,
Werner,
Gaspari+2019



TI-ratio

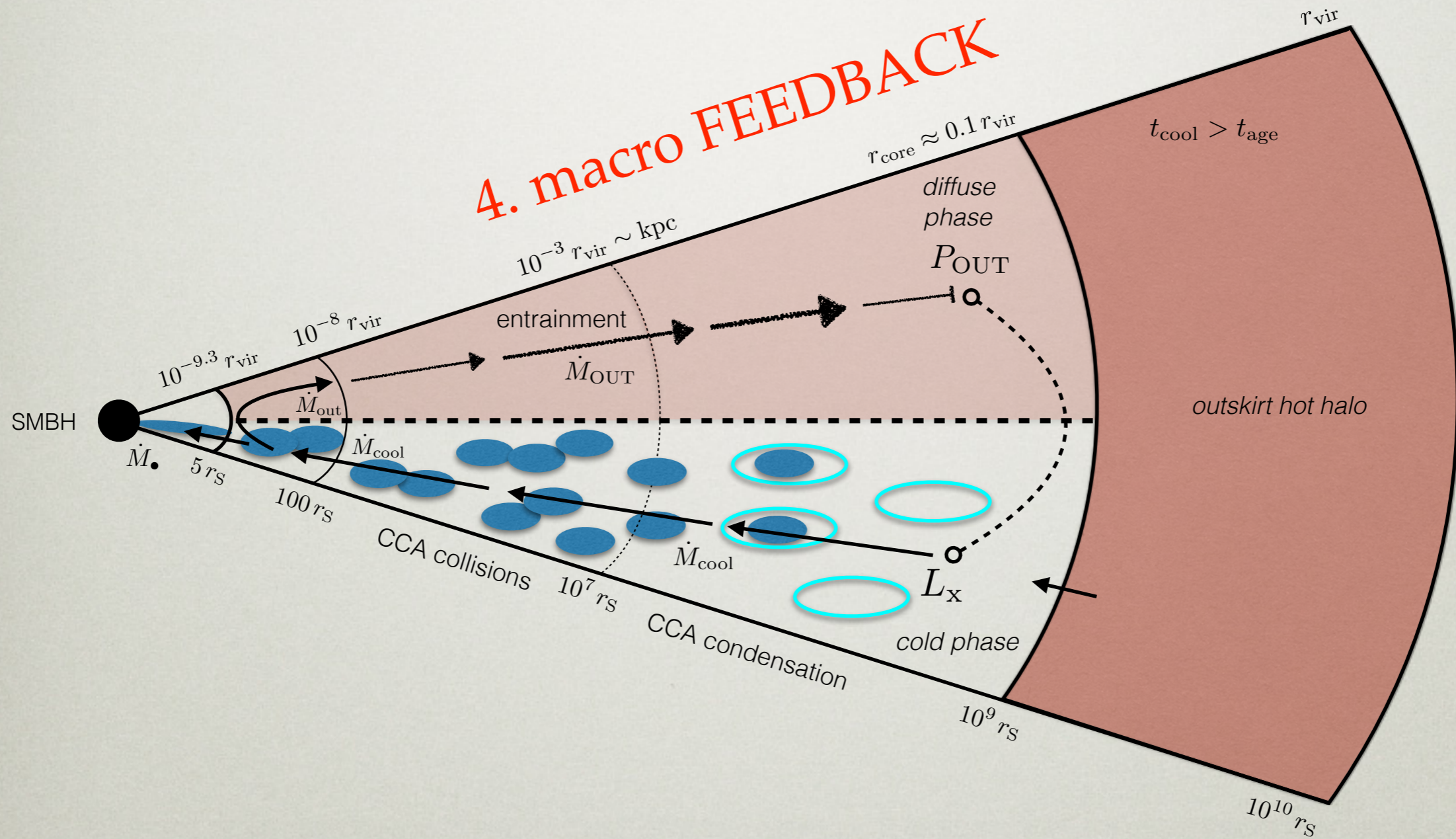


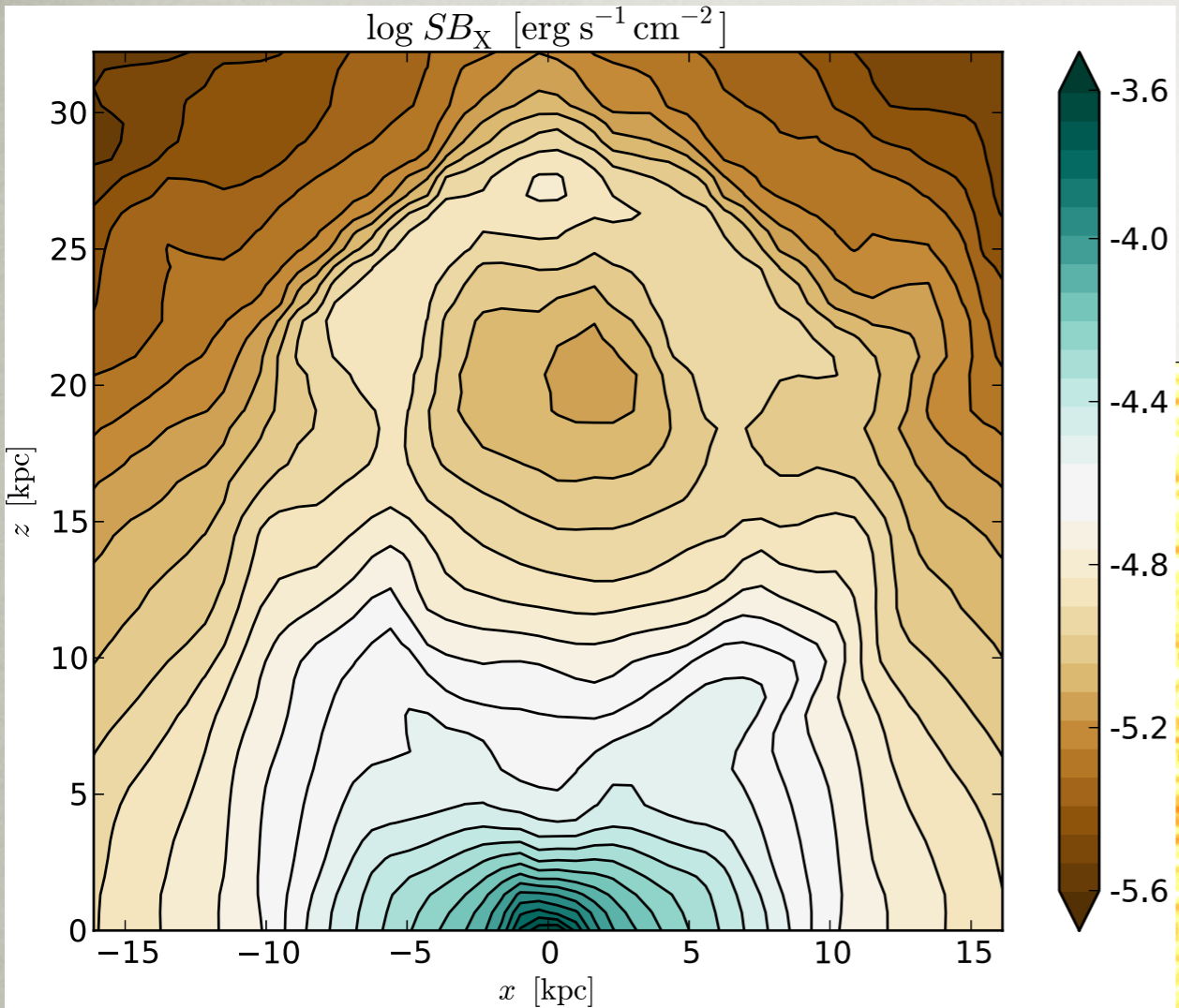
C-ratio



turbulent Taylor
number

“BLACK HOLE WEATHER” PROGRAM



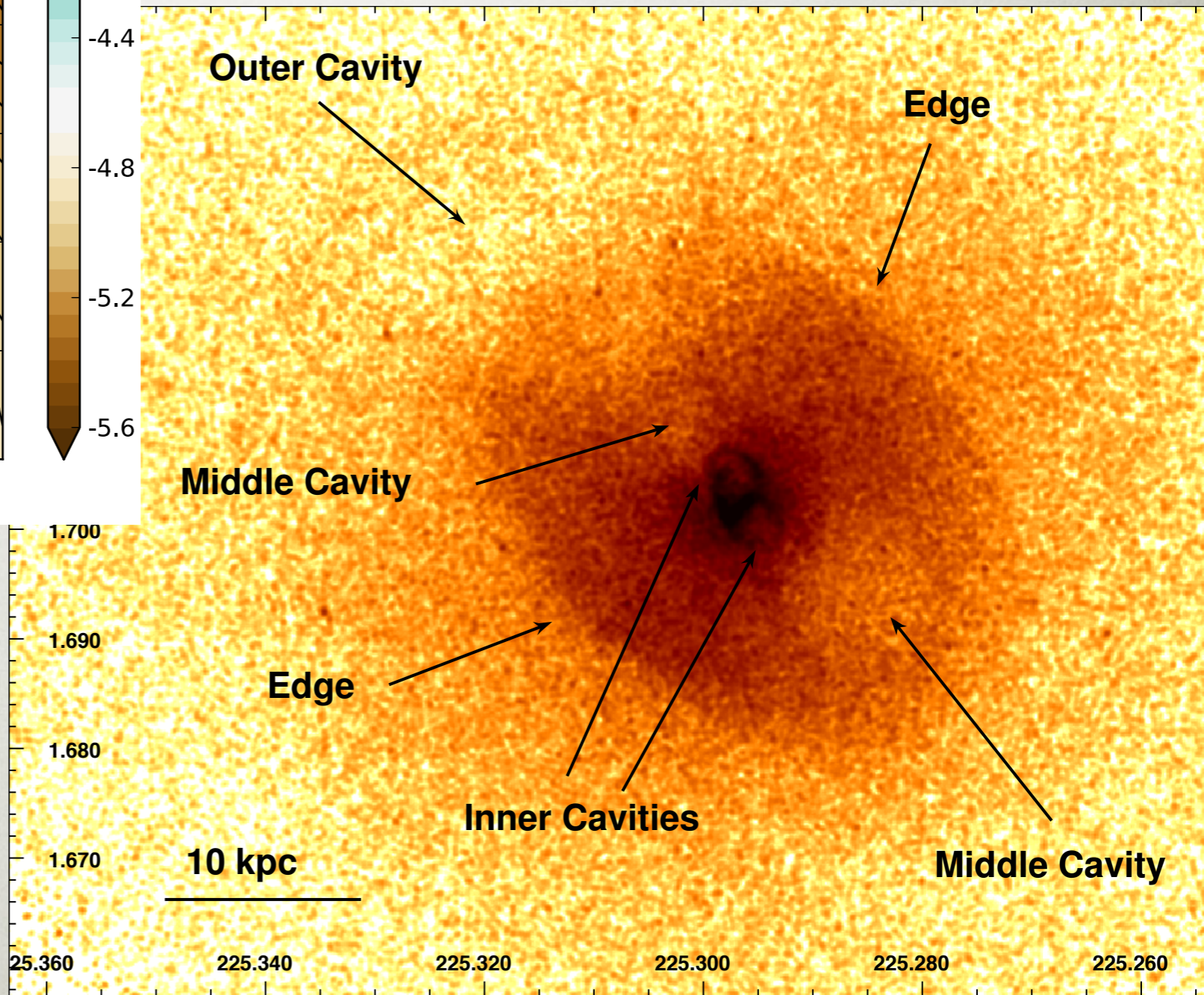


MG+2011/2012
pure hydro simulation

$$E_{cav} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} PV$$

enthalpy

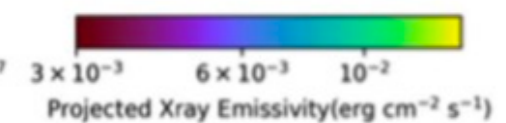
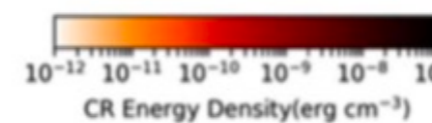
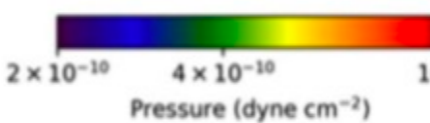
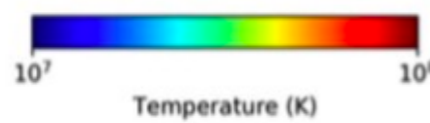
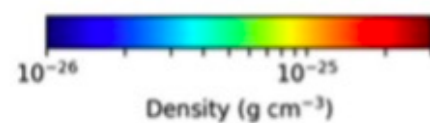
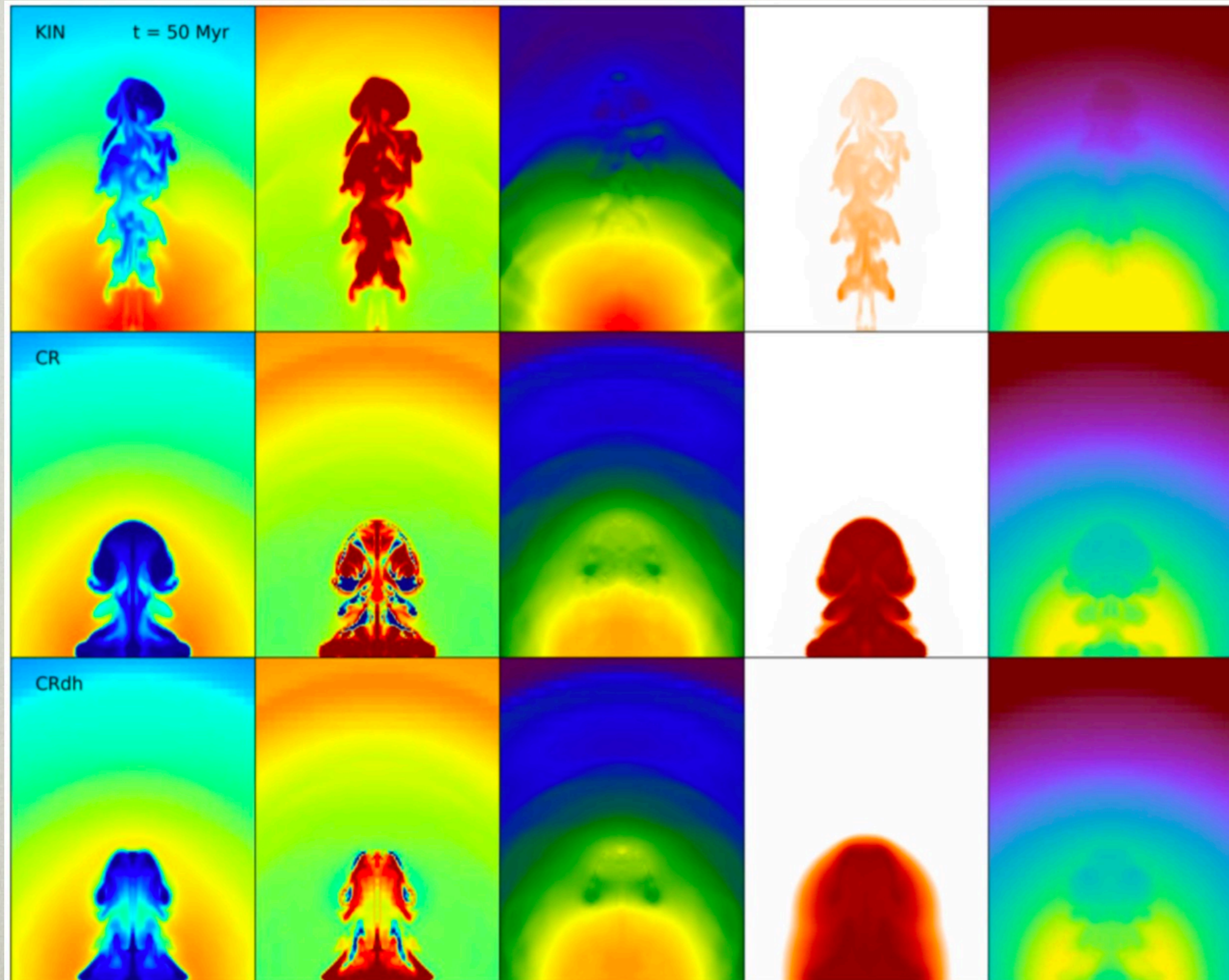
X-RAY BUBBLES



COSMIC-RAY BUBBLES

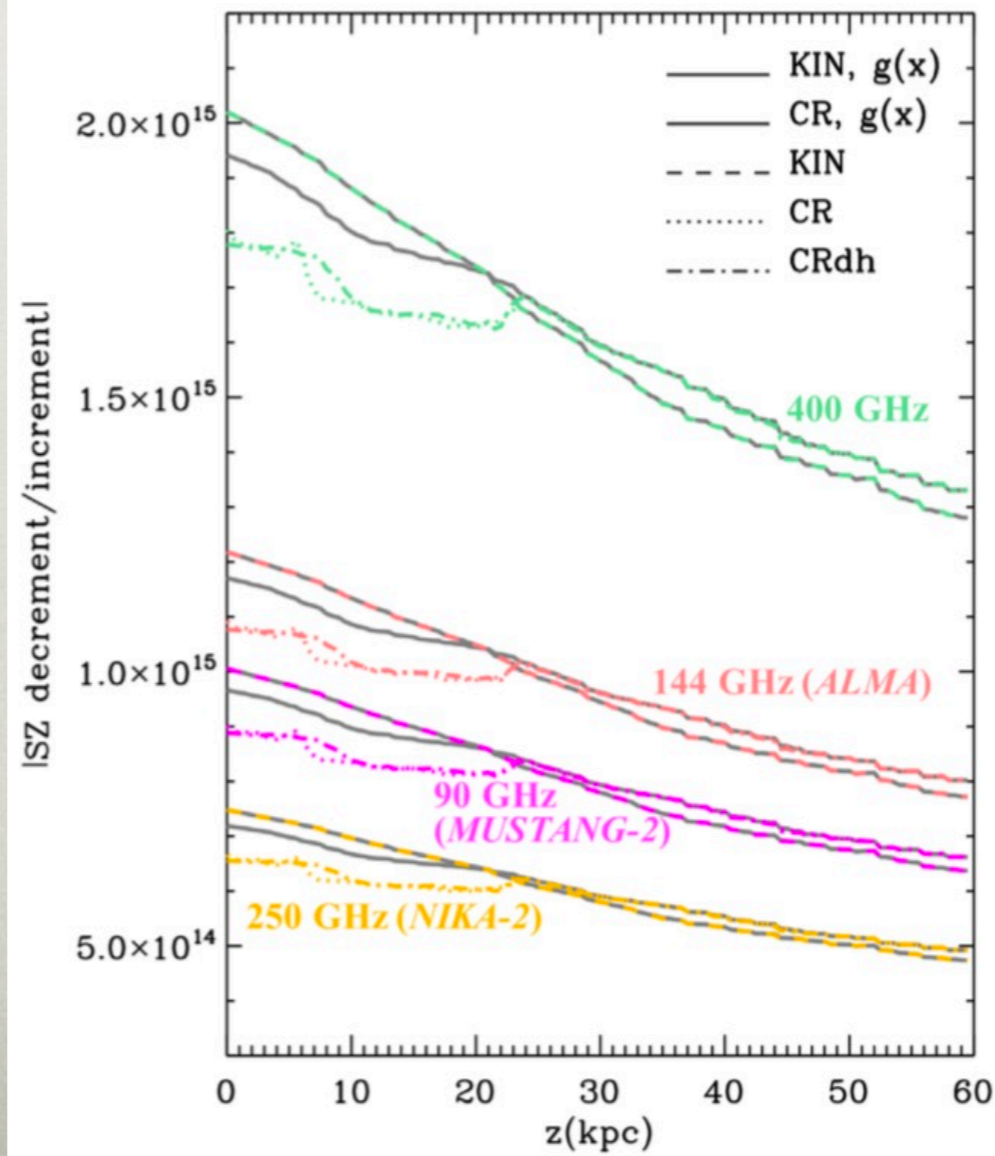
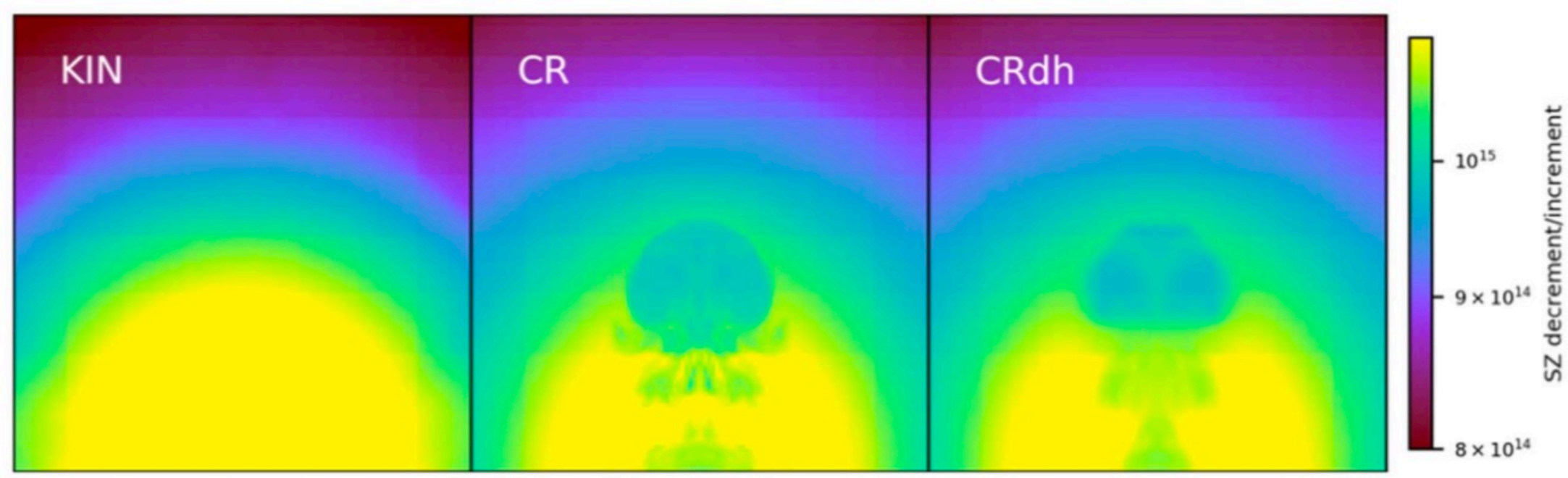
Yang, Gaspari, &
Marlow 2019

60x80 kpc



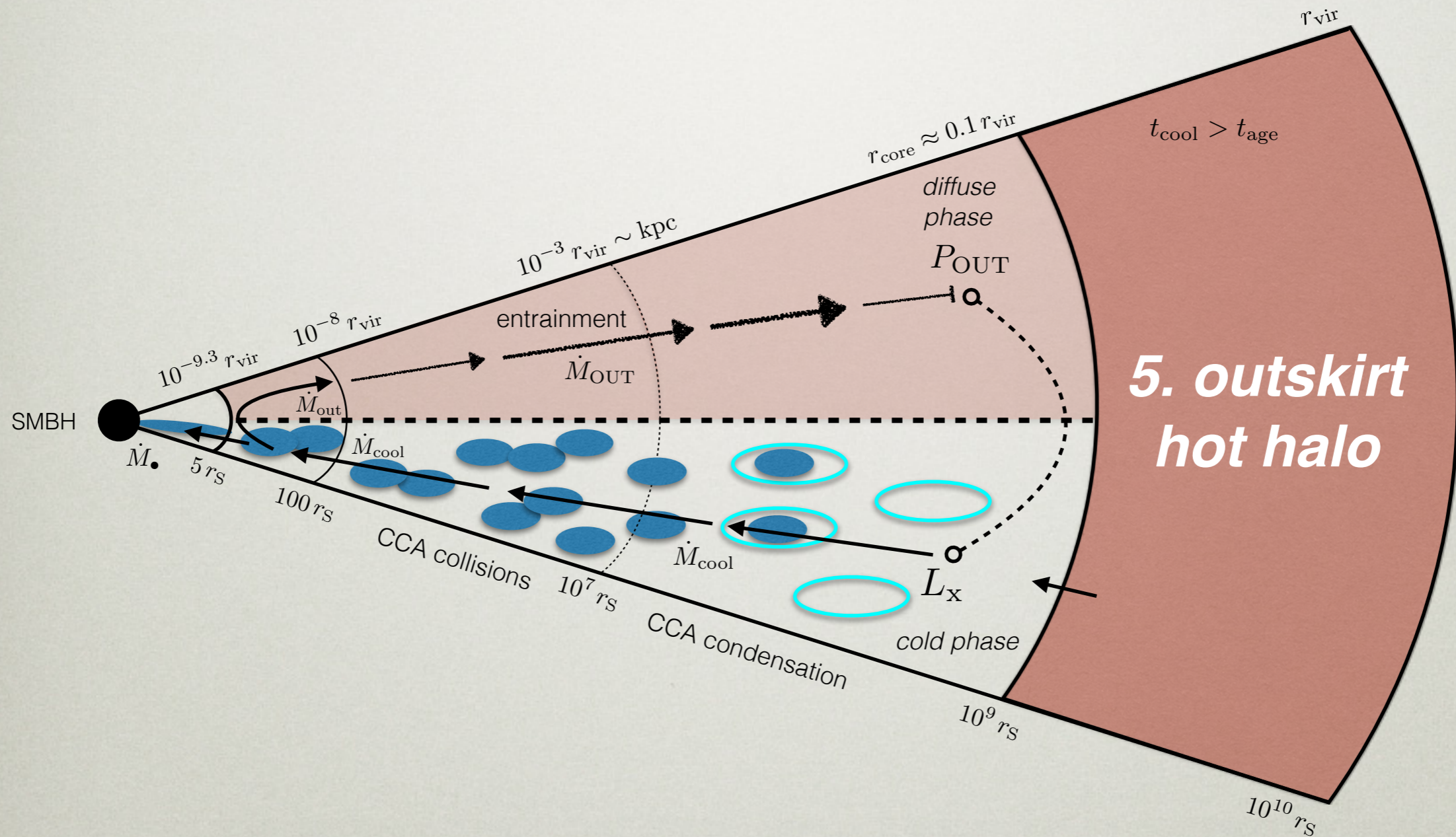
SZ BUBBLES

Yang, Gaspari,
& Marlow 2019

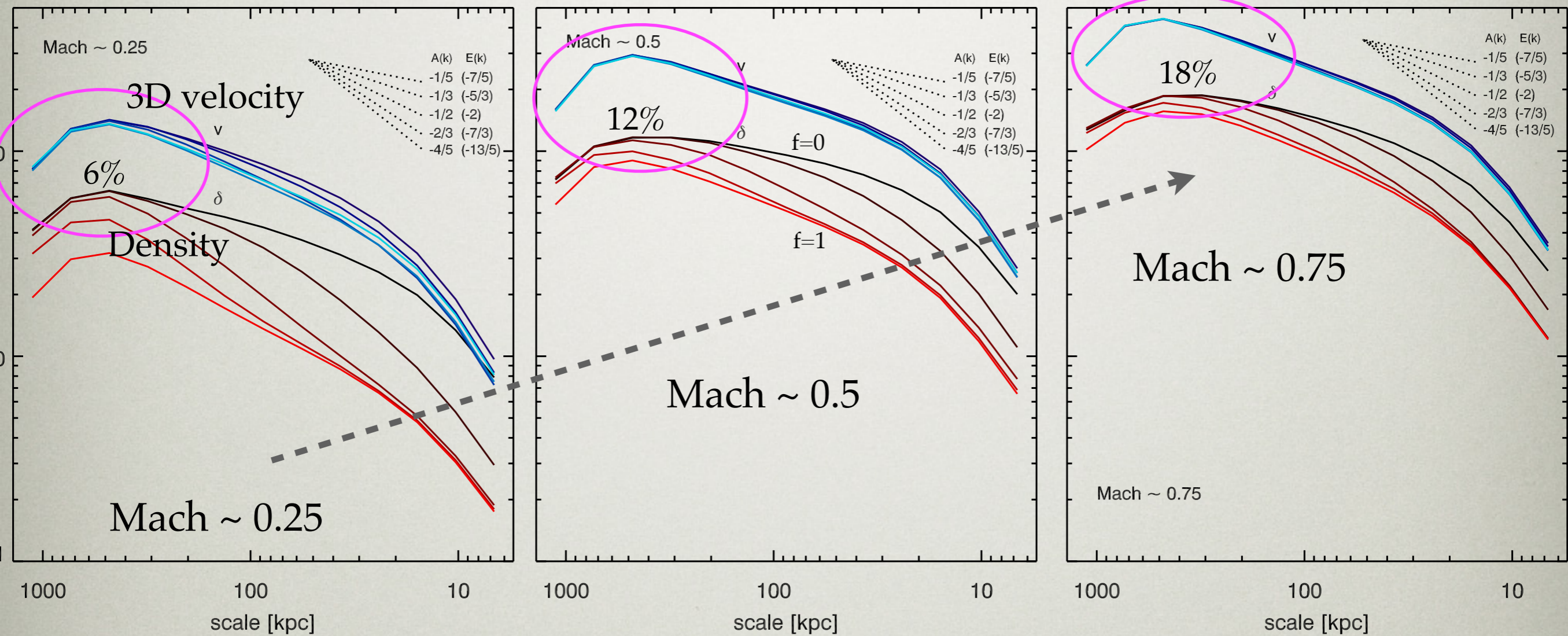


thermal Sunyaev Zel'dovich
decrement/increment
(major SZ telescopes)

“BLACK HOLE WEATHER” PROGRAM



ICM POWER SPECTRUM: TURBULENCE



Gaspari & Churazov 2013

Gaspari et al. 2014

hydrodynamical simulations \rightarrow

$$\delta\rho/\rho \sim \text{Mach}_{1D}$$

globally self-similar
over Mach and L_{inj}

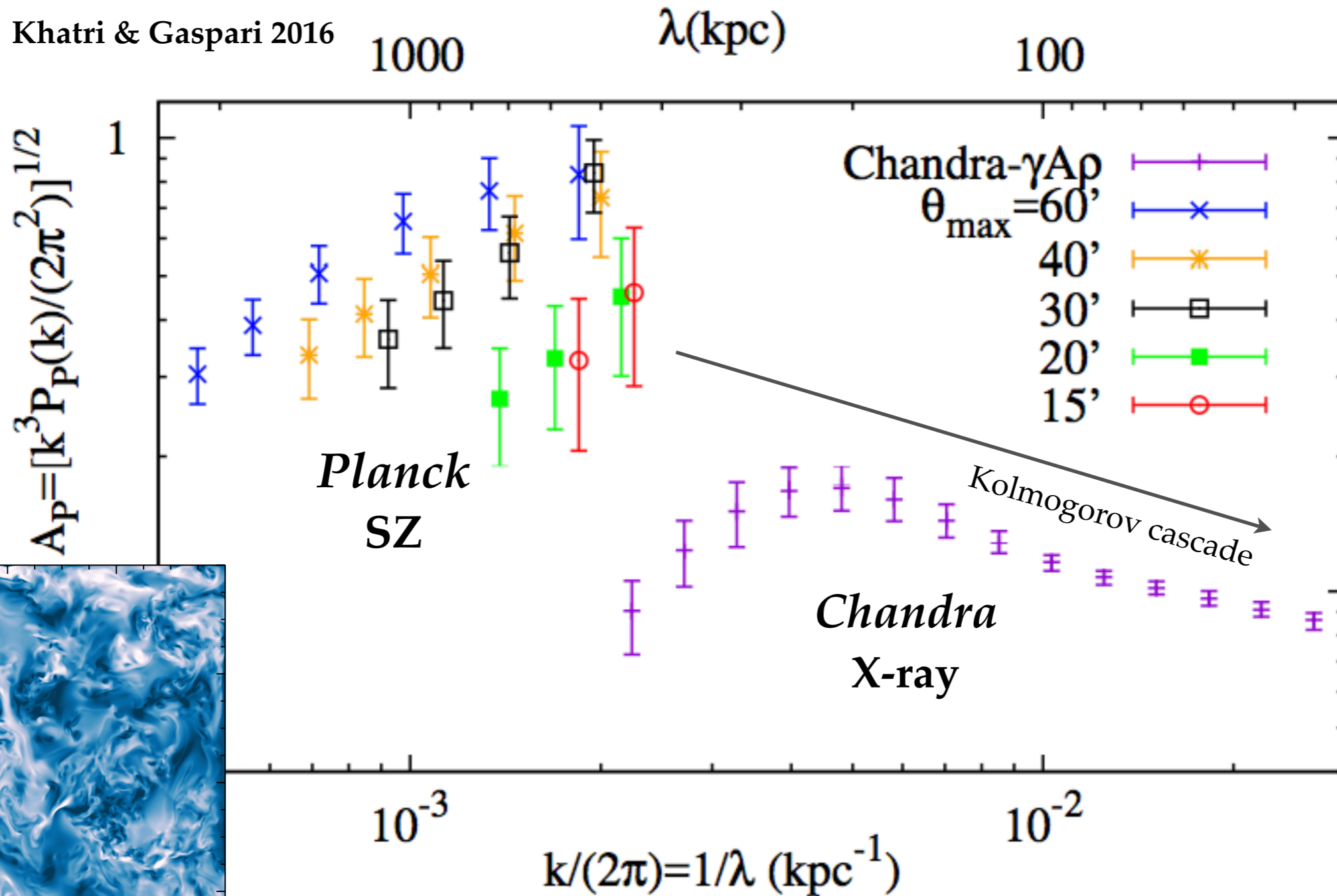
relaxed to unrelaxed clusters: $\text{Mach}_{3D} \sim 0.3-0.6$

ICM POWER SPECTRUM

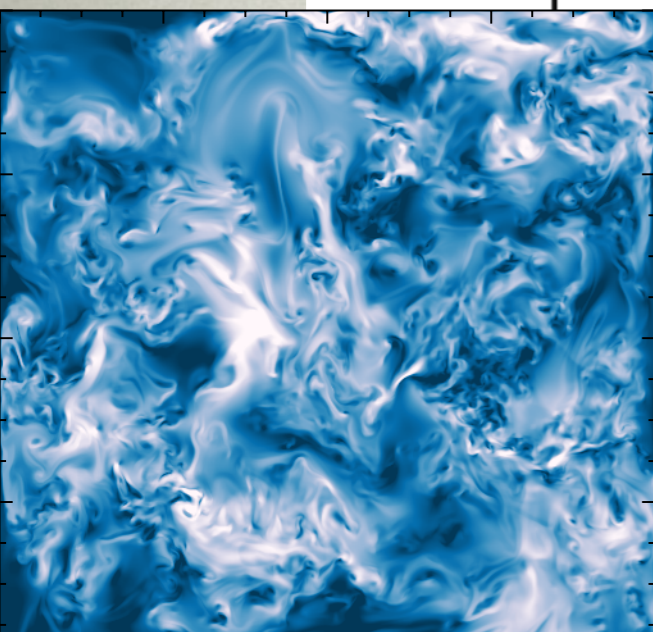
PROBING TURBULENCE & CONDUCTION

from 3D hydro simulations: $\delta\rho/\rho \sim \text{Mach}_{1D}$ [Gaspari & Churazov 2013; Gaspari et al. 2014]

Khatri & Gaspari 2016

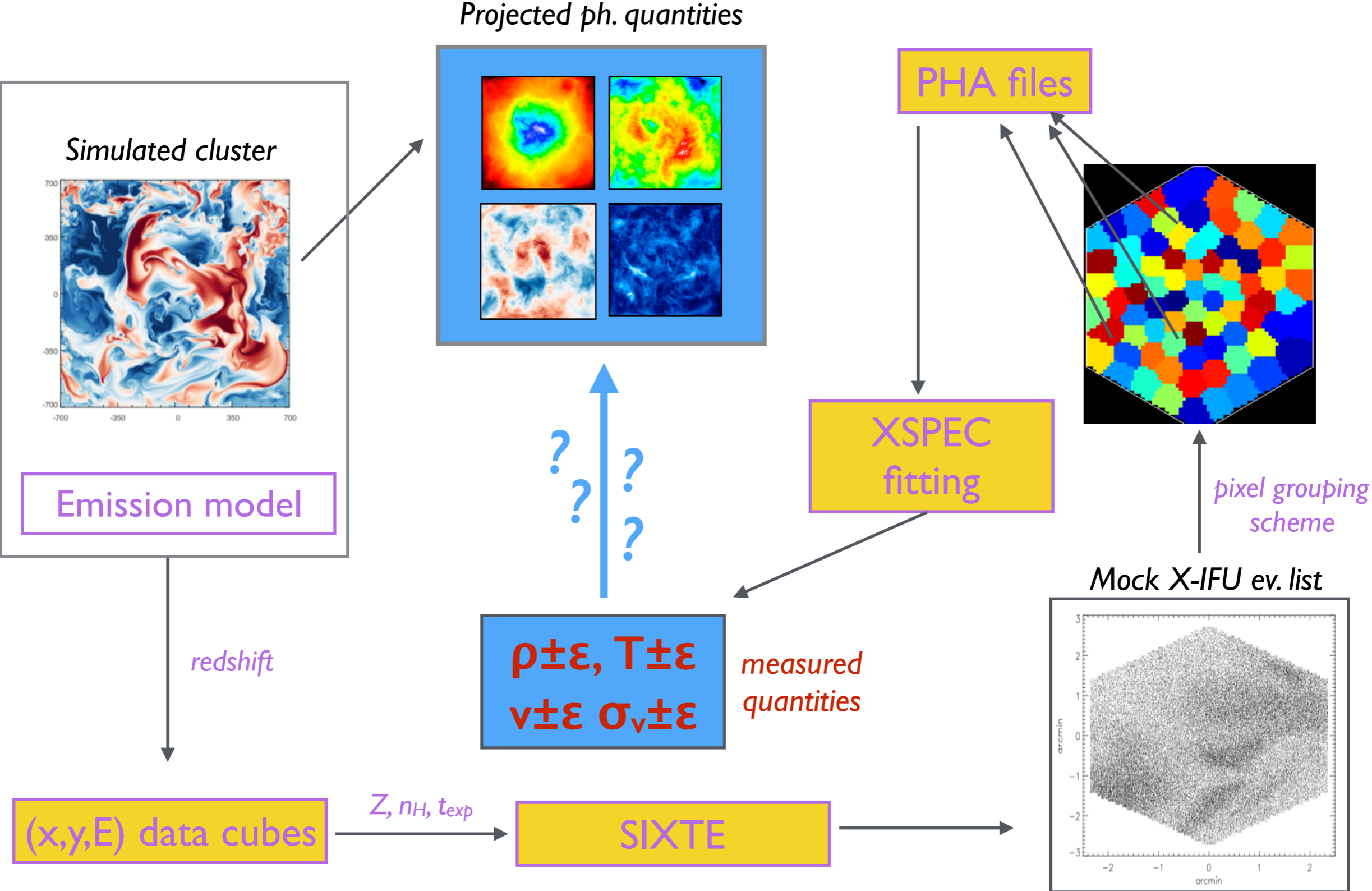


Coma cluster



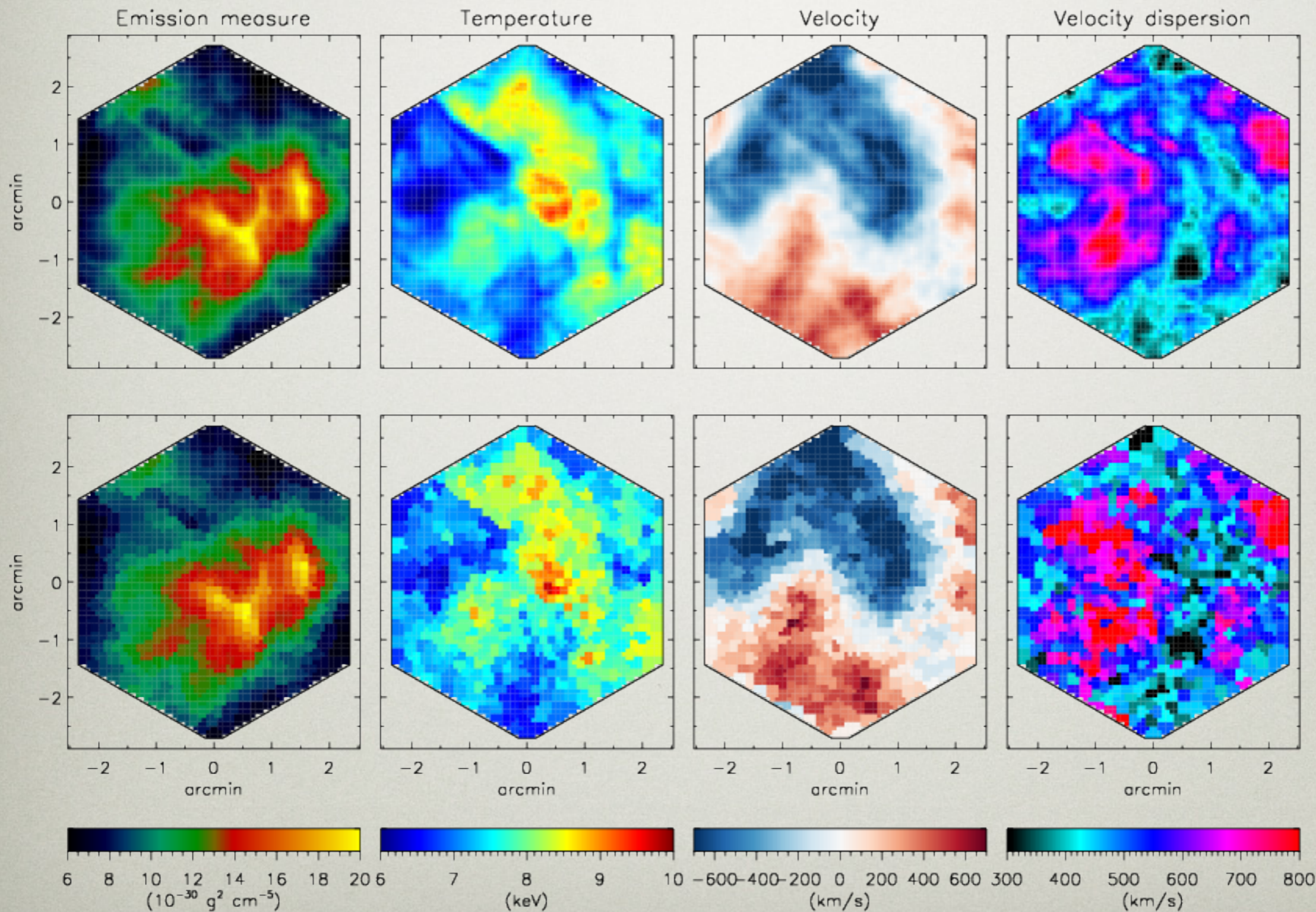
subsonic turbulence

A complete end-to-end X-IFU simulator



ATHENA X-IFU

SYNTHETIC OBSERVATIONS



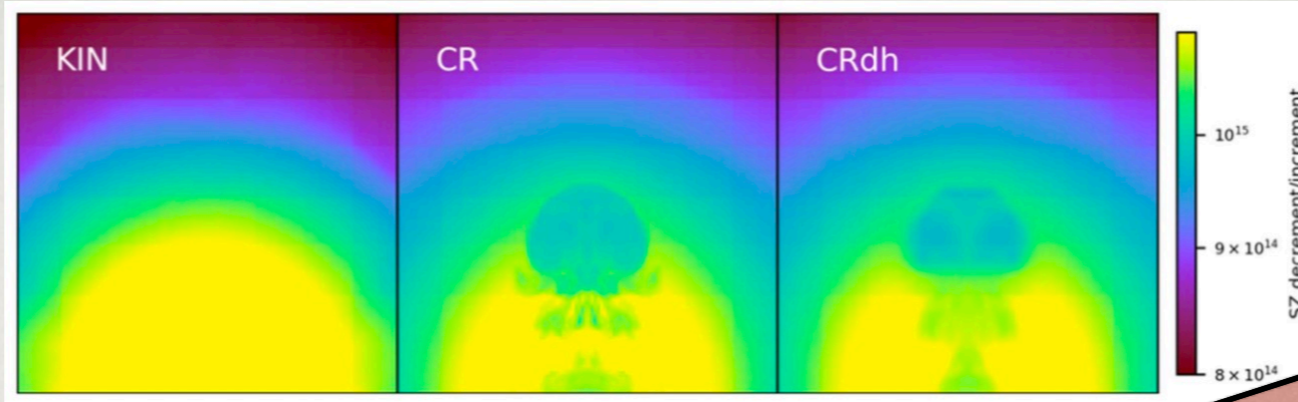
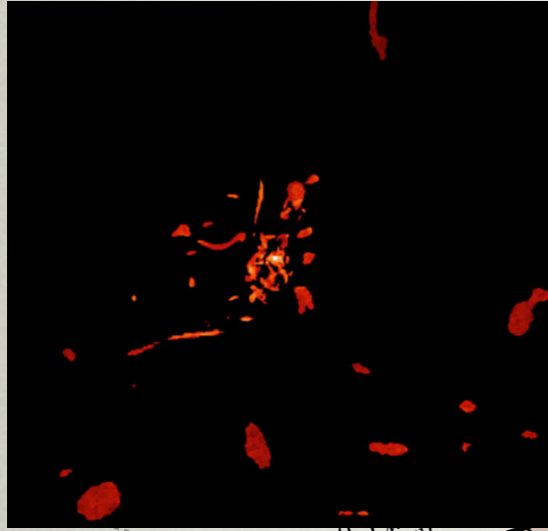
from
hydro simulation

synthetic
586 Voronoi
tessellation
(125 arcsec²),
exp. ~200 ks

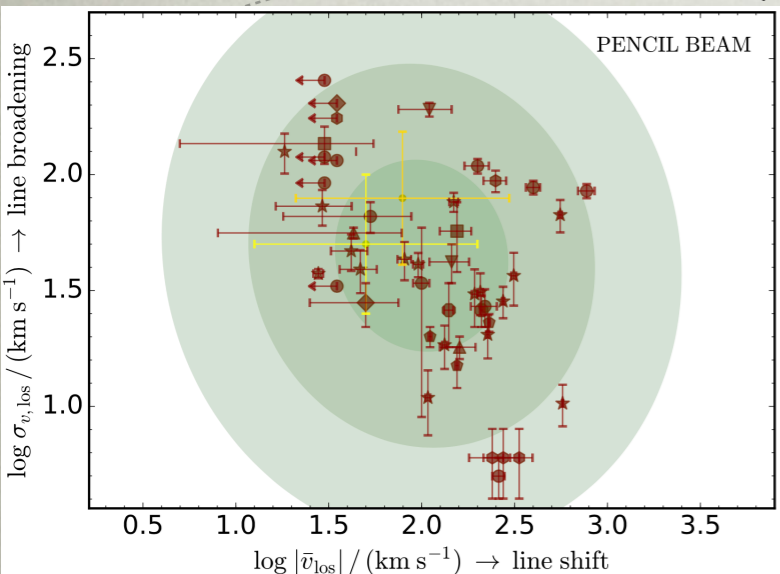
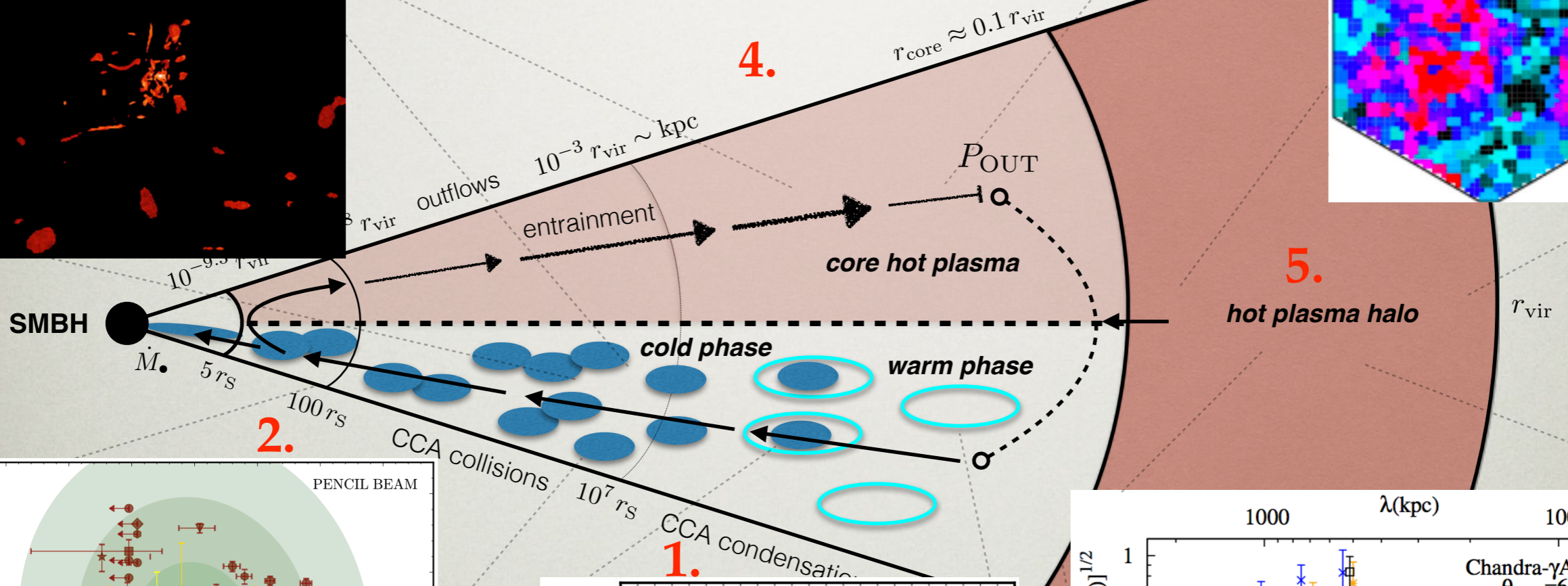
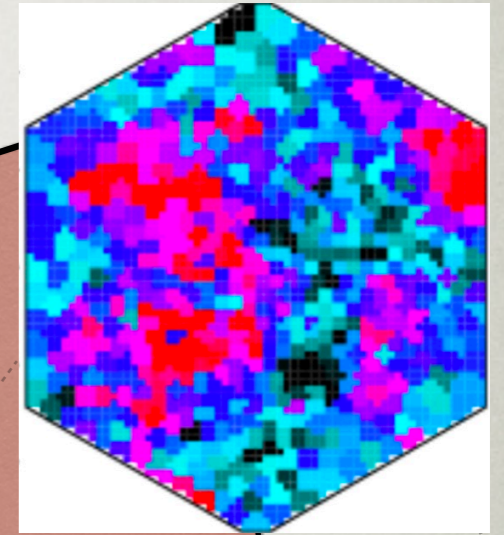
uncertainties
~1-10%

“BLACK HOLE WEATHER”
 DISCUSSED AREAS

Gaspari+2017
 CCA flickering



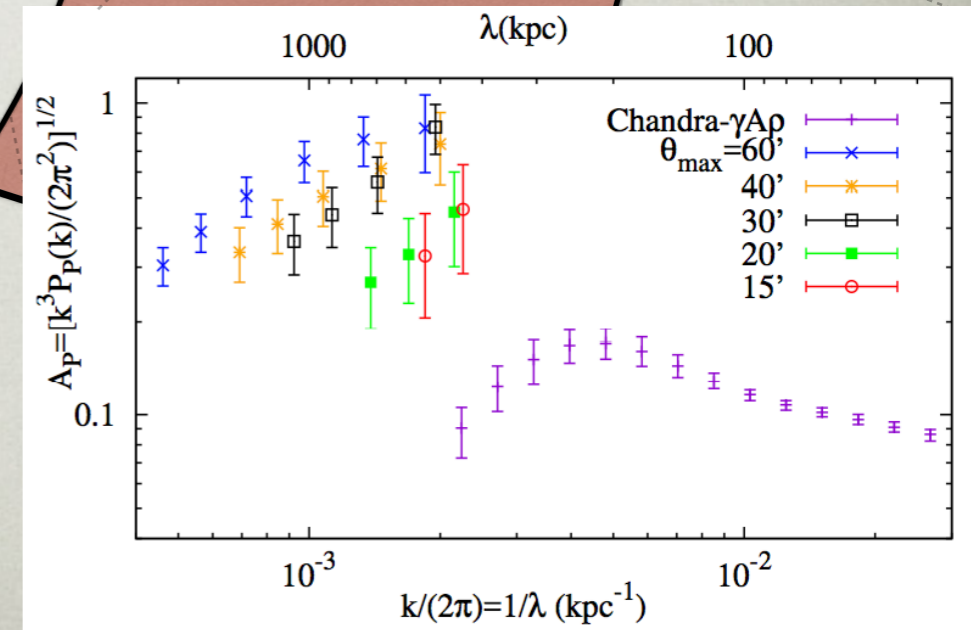
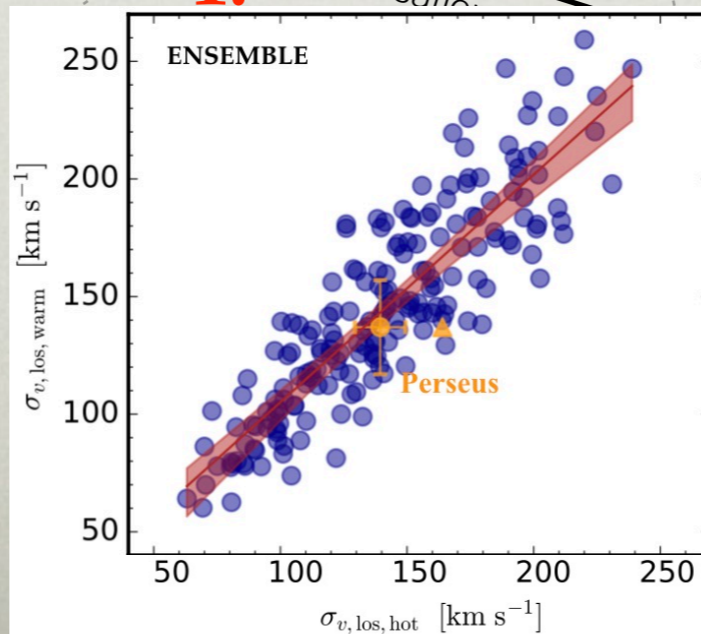
Roncarelli, Gaspari+2018
 merger-driven turbulence (Athena)



molecular clouds
 feeding
 BH shadows

Gaspari+2018

warm filaments/hot gas
 correlations



turbulence and conduction via ICM PS
 Gaspari+2013/2014, Khatri & Gaspari 2016