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Investigating the **correlation**
between the properties of **cluster**
core galaxies and **their hosts**
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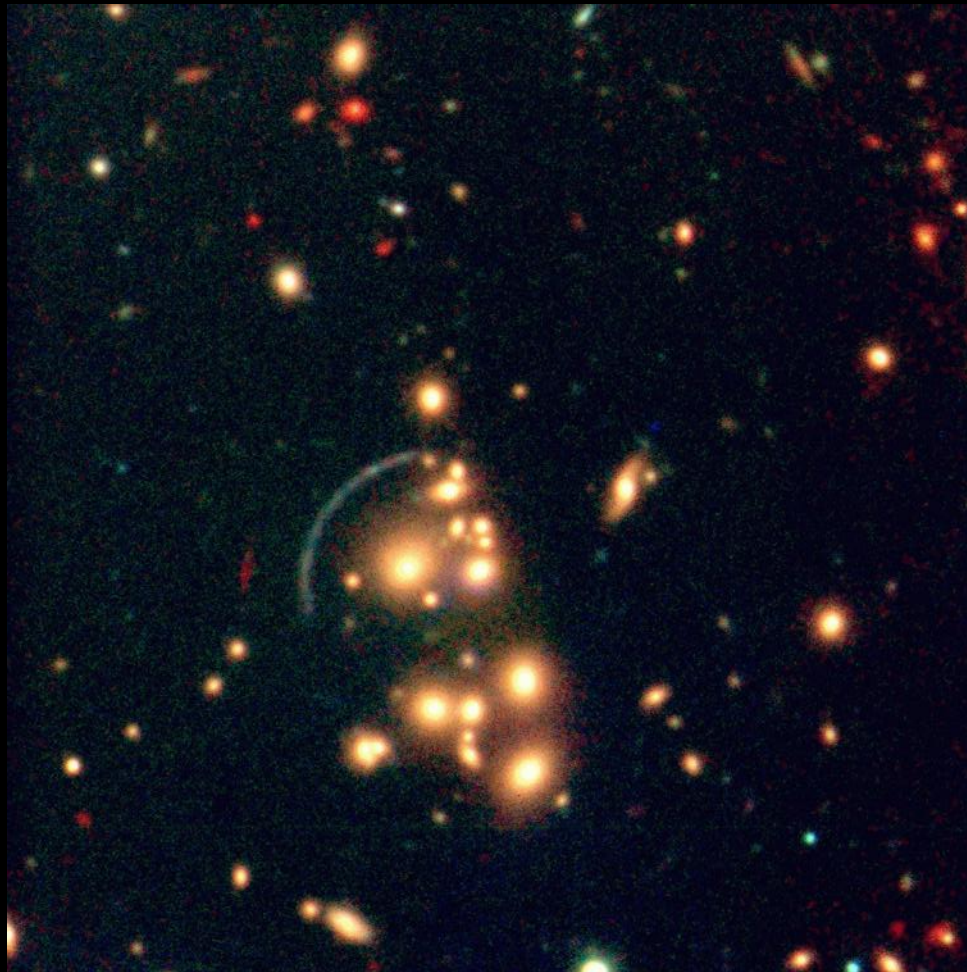
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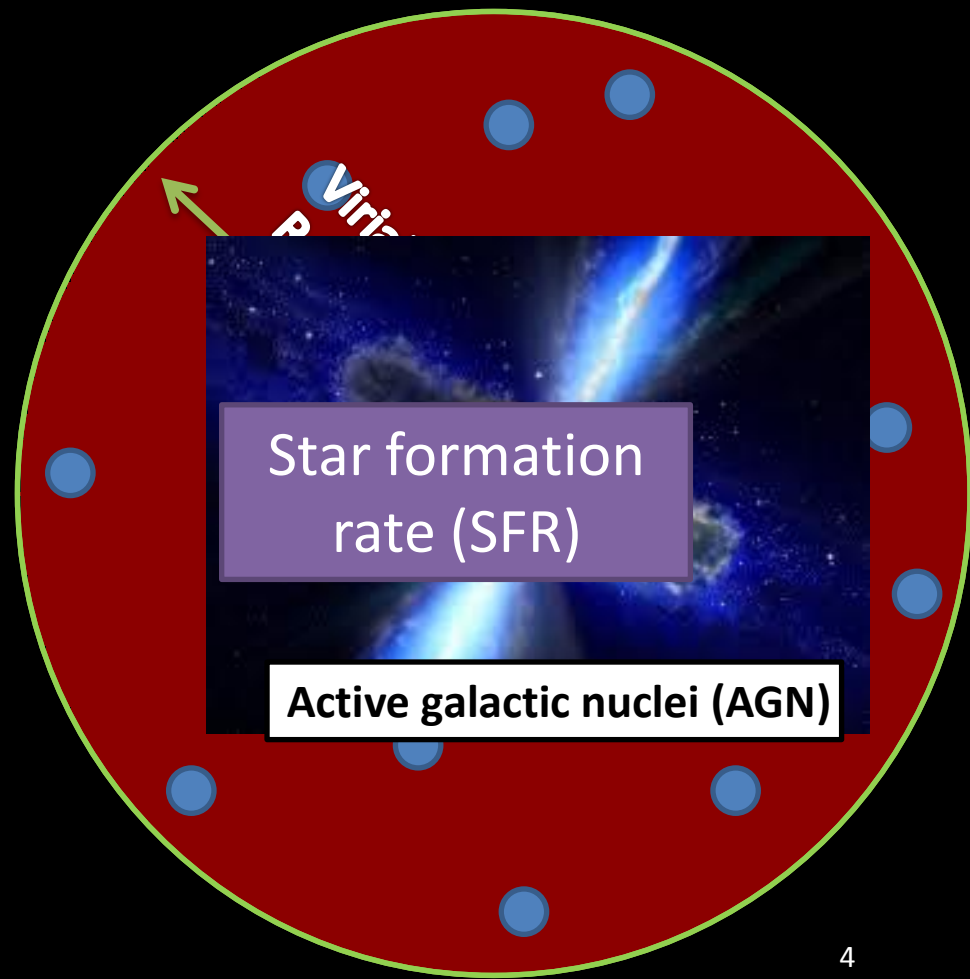
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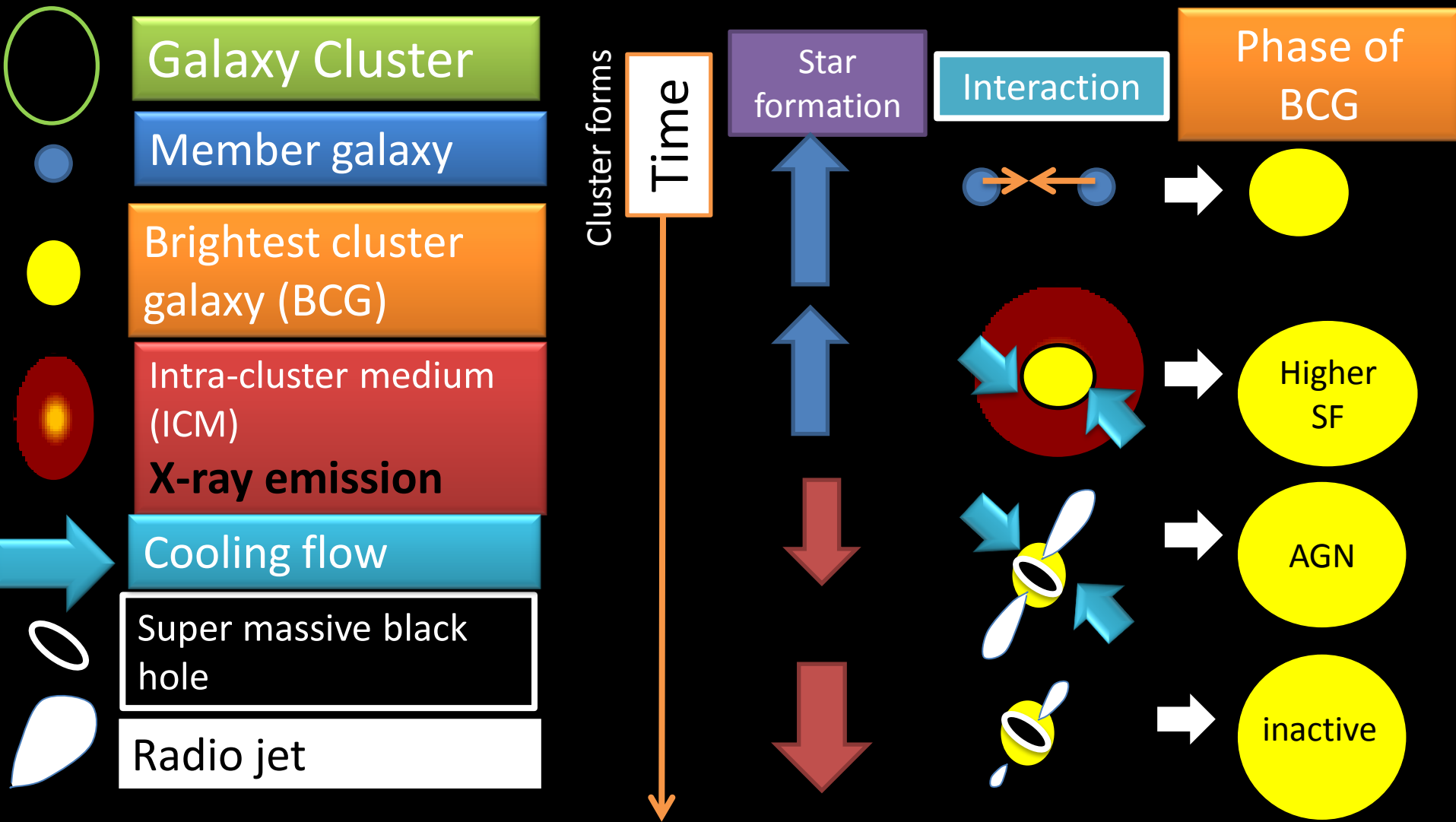
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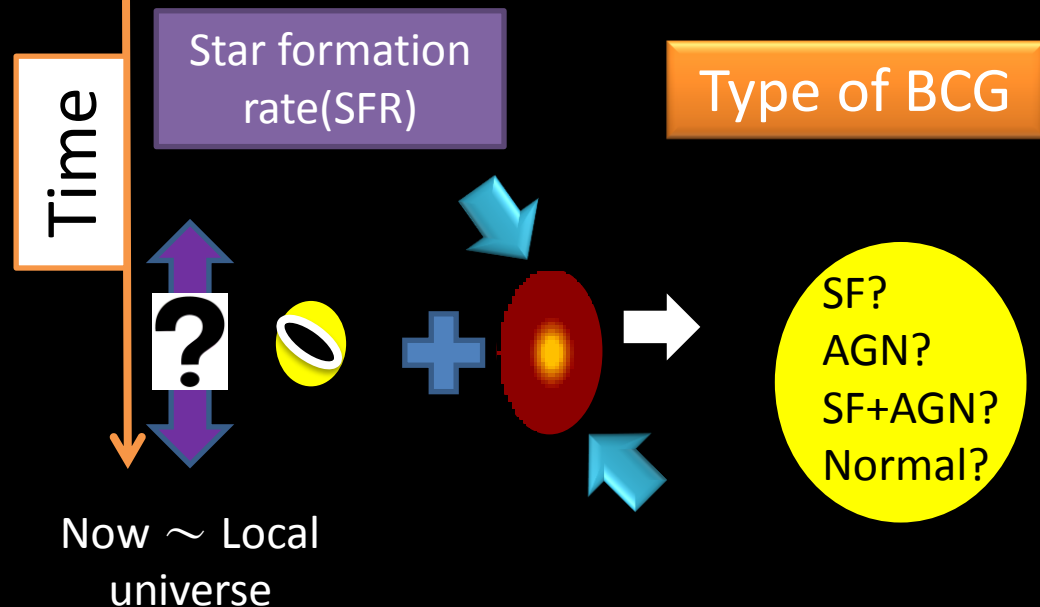
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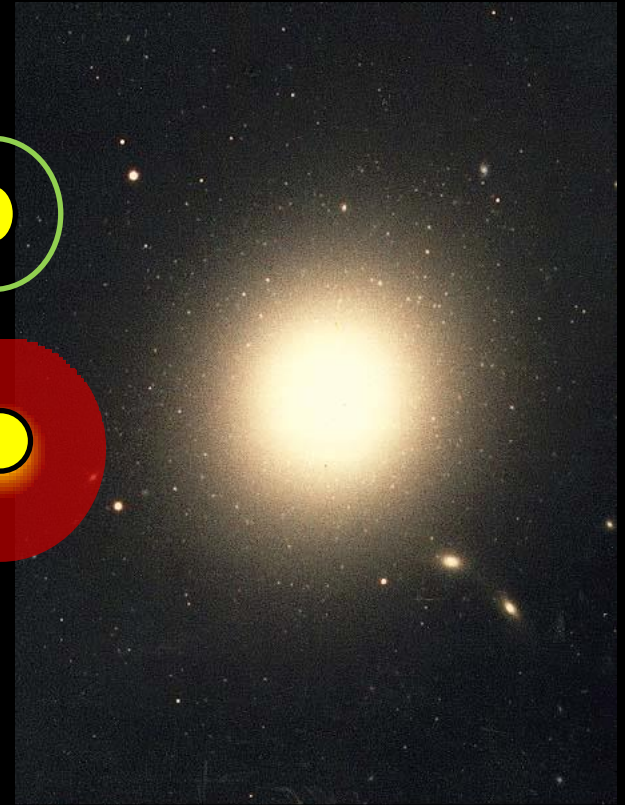






Brightest Cluster Galaxy (BCG)

- **BCG** is generally the most luminous and massive galaxy in a galaxy cluster, *usually* located in the center of cluster.
- According to the **BCG** properties, we can infer that the **BCG** environment is different from other galaxies.
- Star formation rate of **BCG** is a good indicator of the evolution stage of the host cluster.



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Motivation of this Project

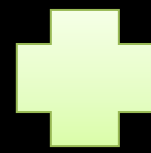
- How does the environment of **BCG** influence its star formation (SF) compared to other galaxies?
- What effects of **AGN** feedback influence the **BCG** SF at X-ray cluster center in local universe?
- How do we investigate the redder **BCG** with only photometric data due to large distance?



Sloan Digital Sky Survey

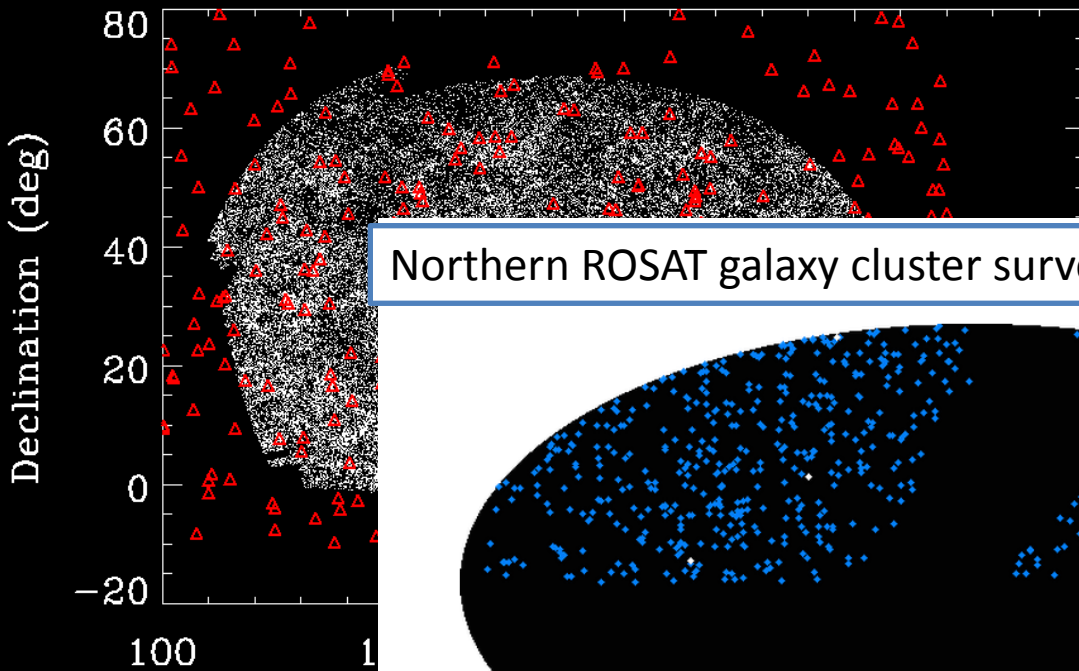


ROSAT All sky survey

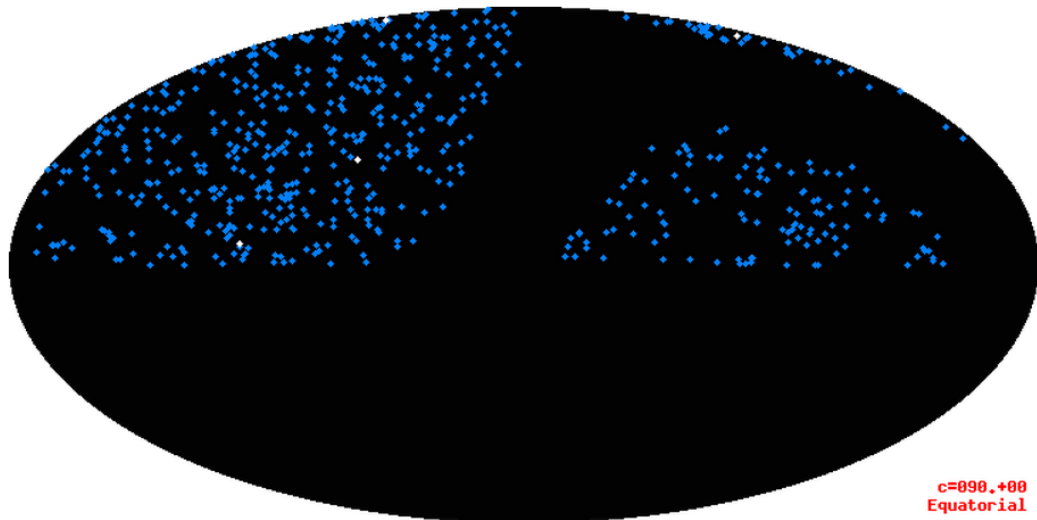


NRAO VLA Sky Survey

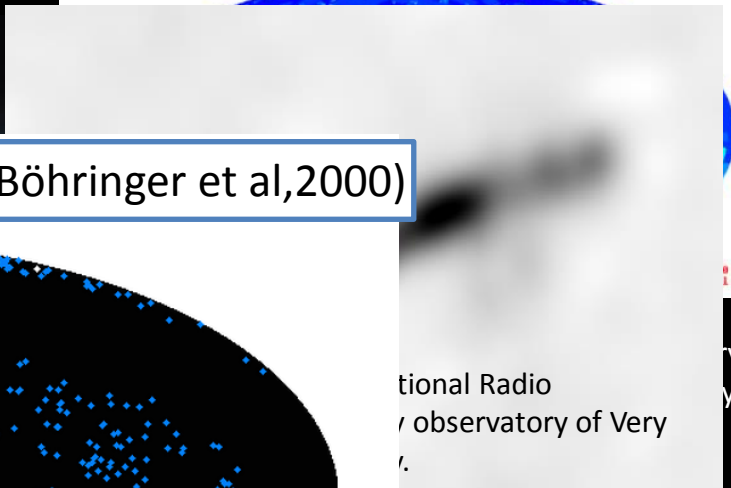
Sky coverage of SDSS and RASS



Northern ROSAT galaxy cluster survey (Böhringer et al, 2000)



[VIII/65] 1.4GHz: NRAO VLA Sky Survey (NVSS) (Condon+ 1998)



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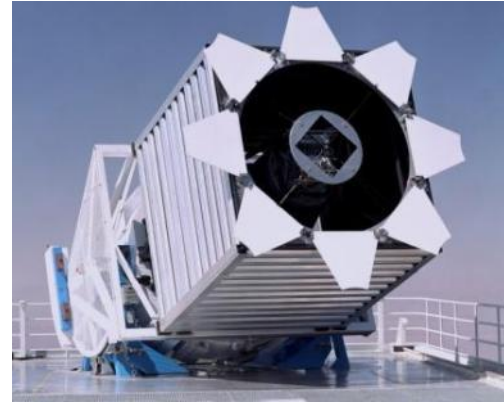
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Equatorial

Optical catalog

Sloan Digital Sky Survey Data Release 8 galaxy clusters
(Tempel, et al. 2012)

- Complete spectroscopic data
 - Emission line data
 - **Derived physical properties. [DR9]**
i.e. Star formation rate (solar mass per year)

(derived by a team of Johns Hopkins University, the Max-Planck-Institute for Astrophysics)



Credit: DSS3.com

Criteria

Brightest Cluster Galaxy

- Number of cluster members have to be ≥ 9 .
- Most luminous cluster galaxy

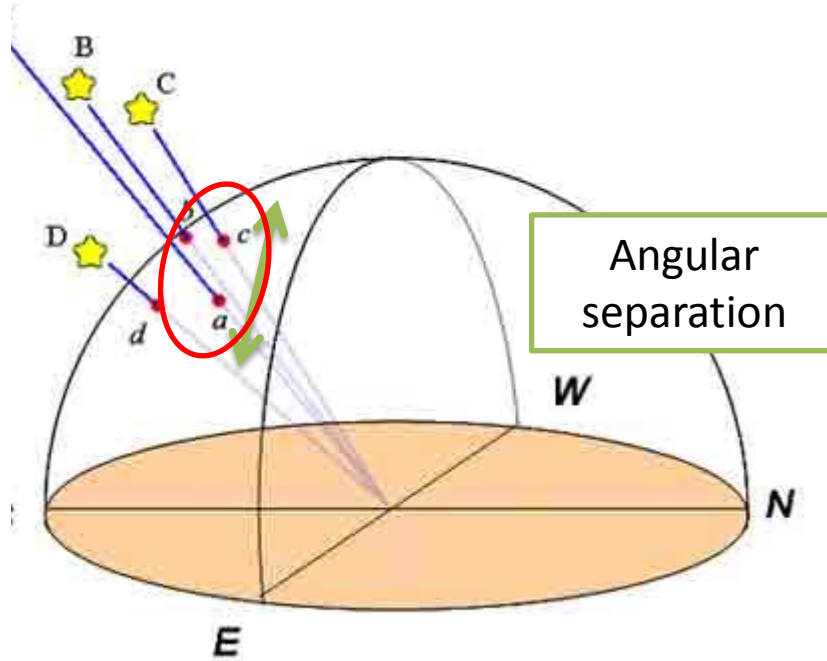
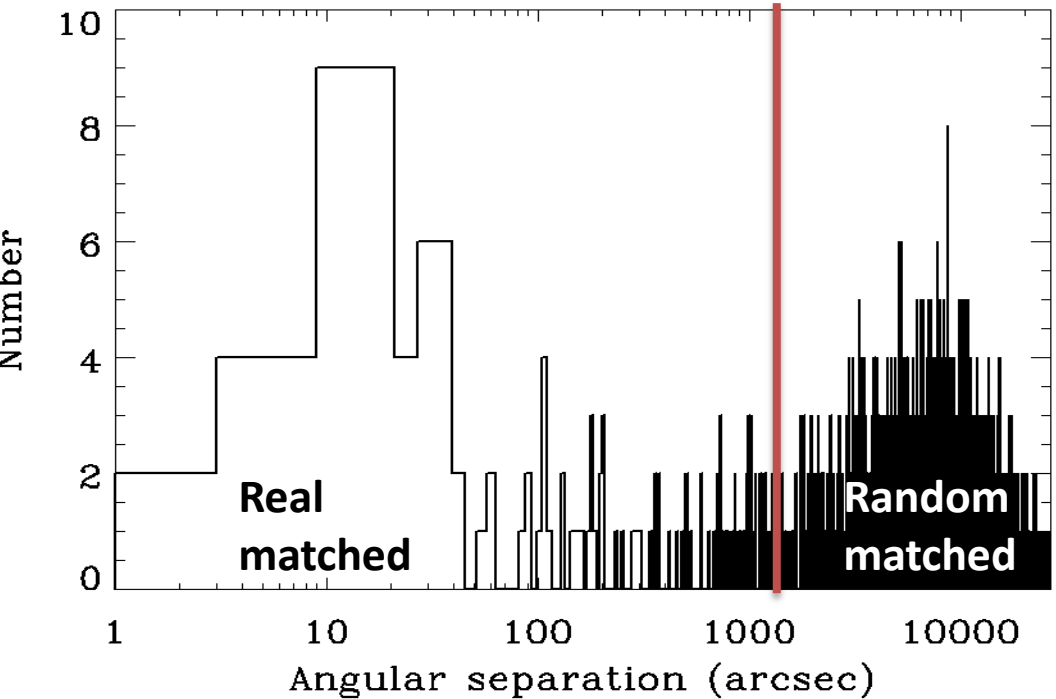
X-ray Cluster candidates

followed the Northern *ROSAT* all-sky (NORAS) galaxy cluster survey

- Extended radius ≥ 25 arcsec
- Extent likelihood $\geq L = 7$
- Count rate ≥ 0.06 count/ sec

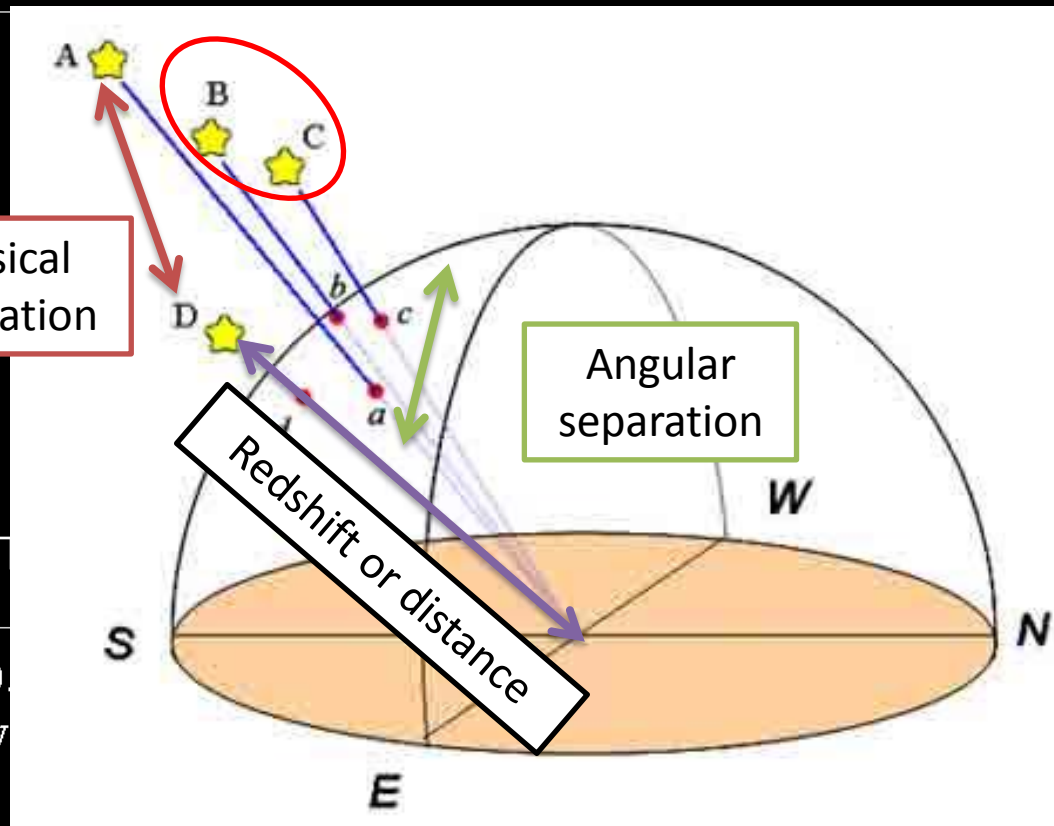
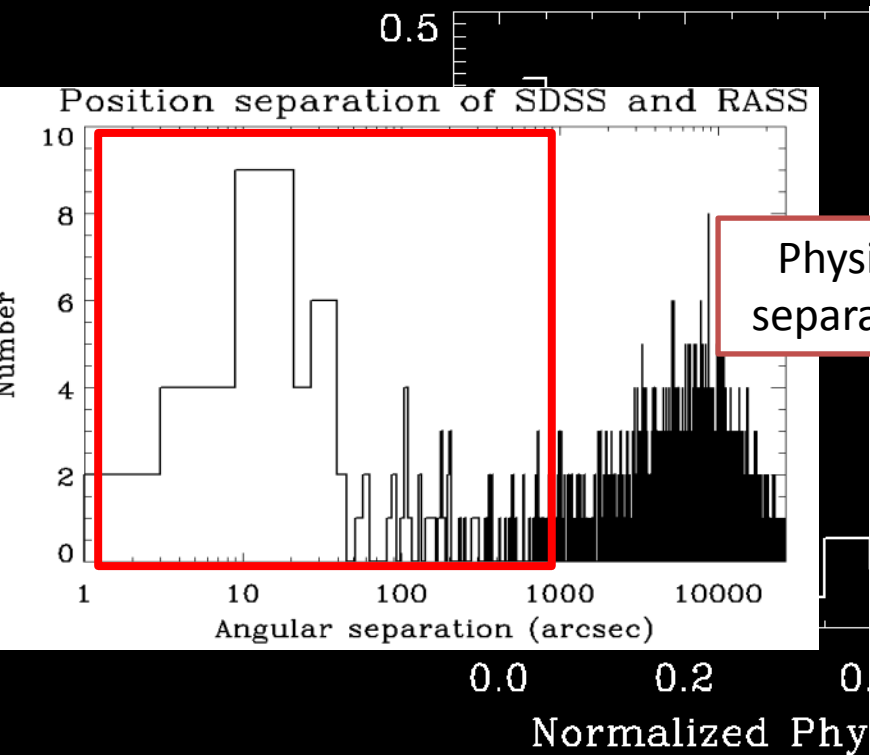
Cross-matched SDSS DR8 with *ROSAT* all sky survey

Position separation of SDSS and RASS



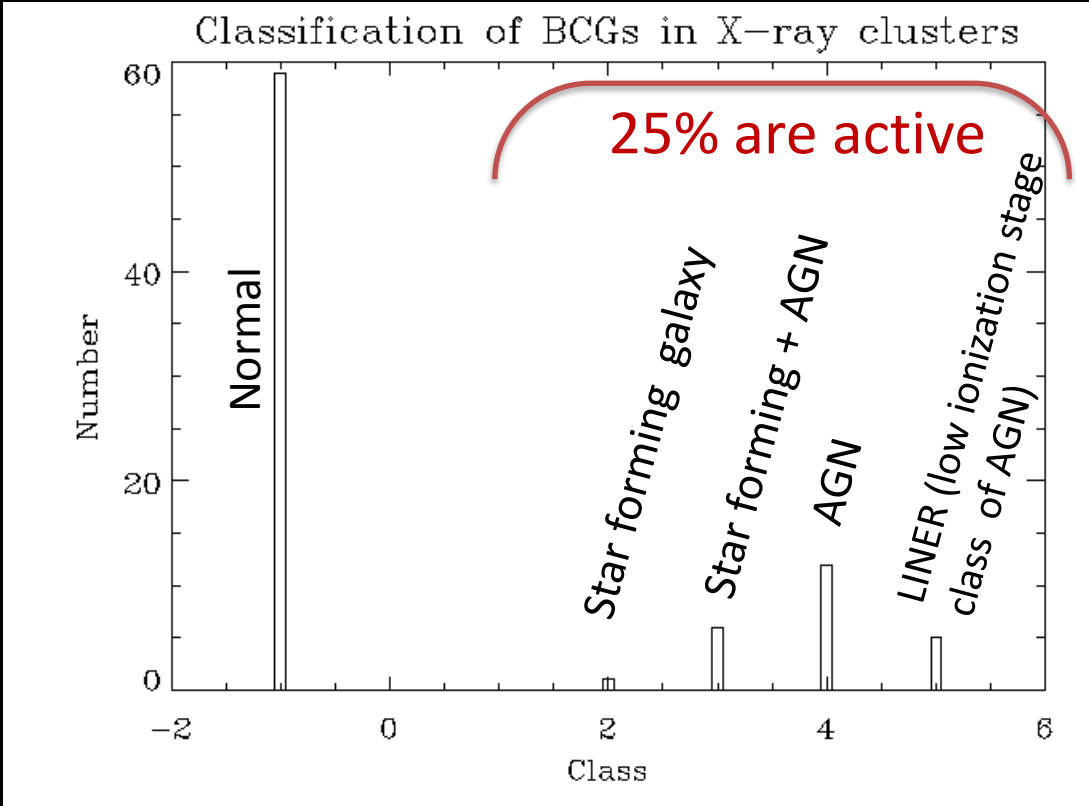
CROSS - RASS
Triangles : SDSS DR8

Histogram of Normalized Physical Separation



Assuming the X-ray sources have same redshift as BCG, and calculate the physical separation.

BCG class in X-ray cluster



Normal class:
BCG is weak or no
emission line to classified

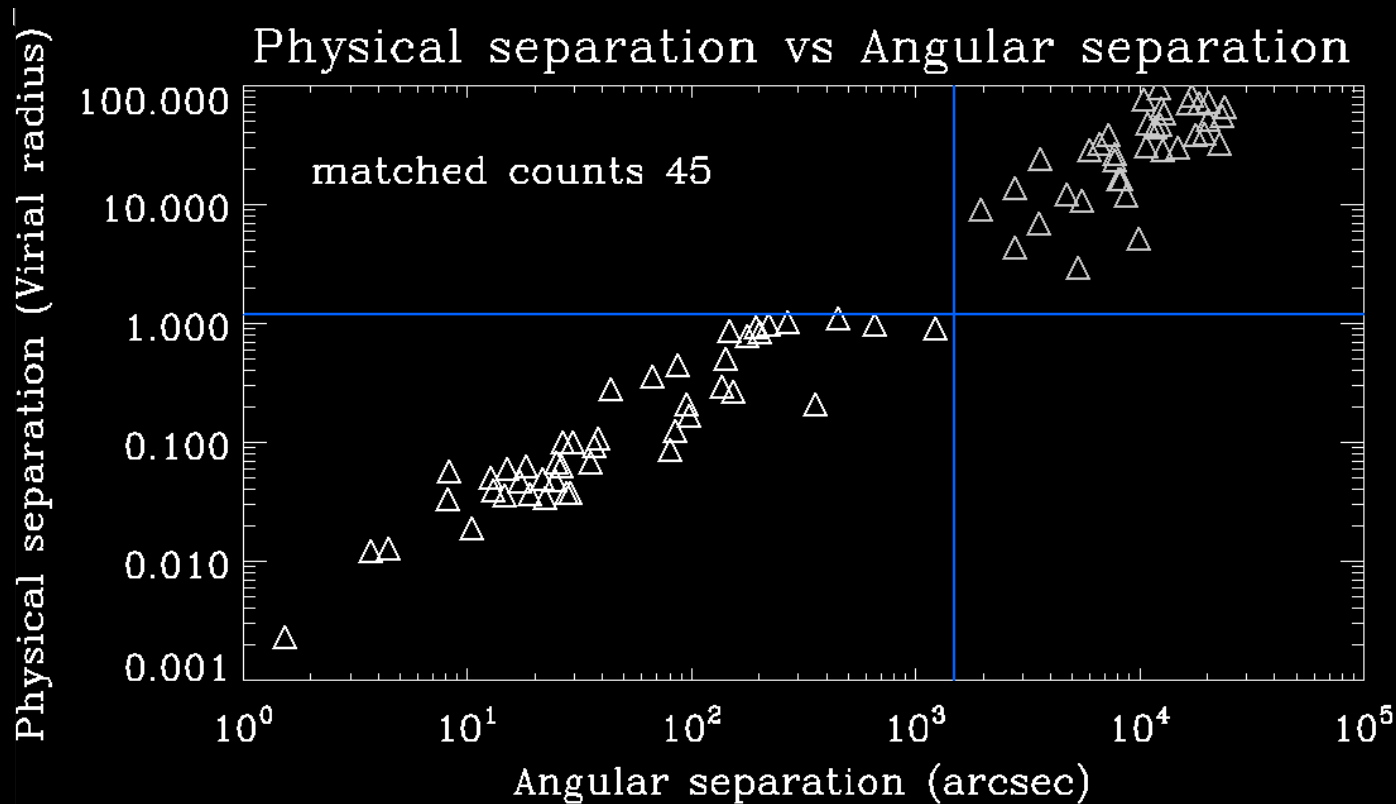
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Compared with previous work

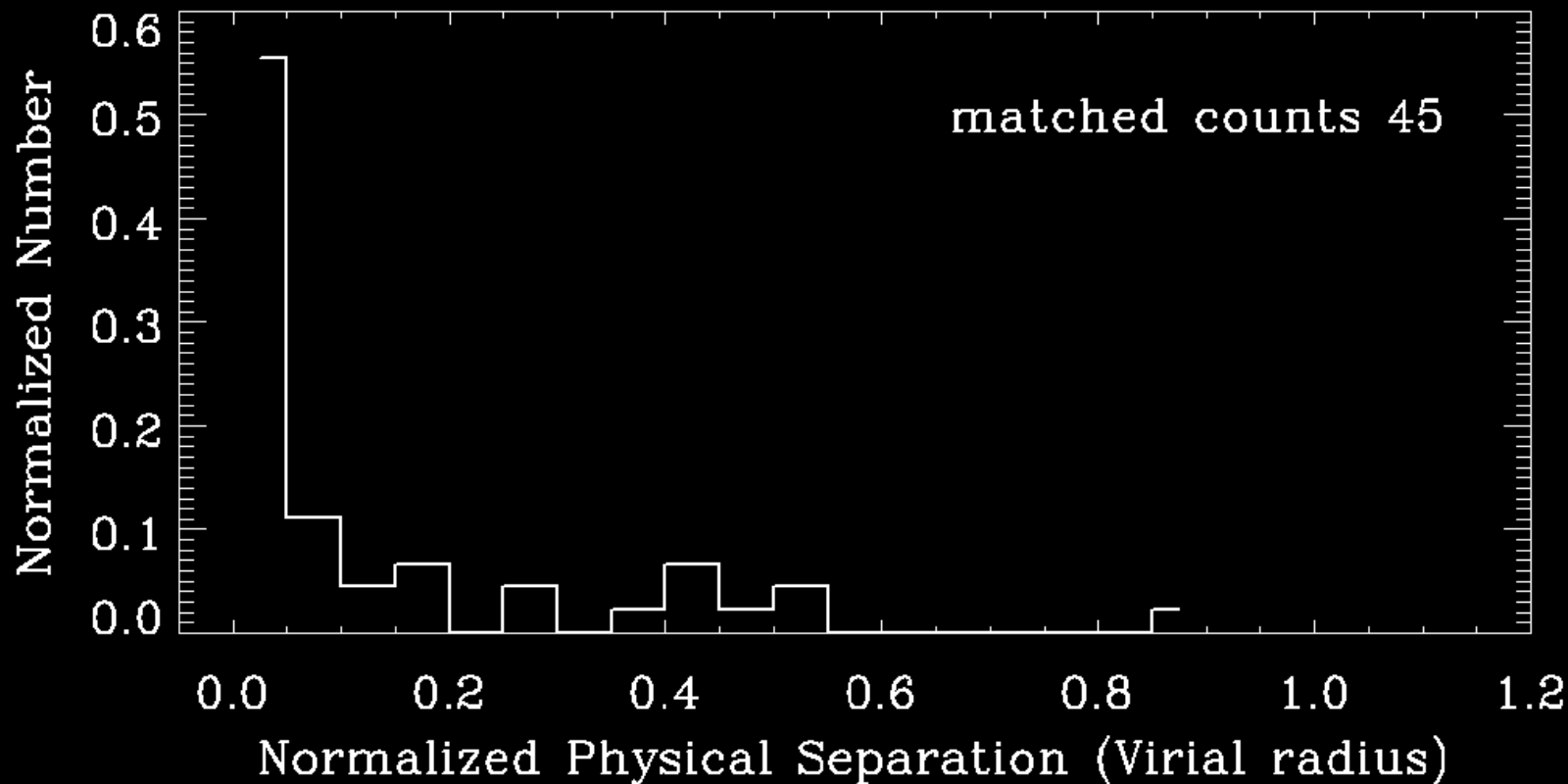
Northern *ROSAT* all-sky (NORAS) galaxy cluster survey
(Böhringer et al, 2000)

- For checking the properties of X-ray clusters with others results
- Give the completeness check of our data

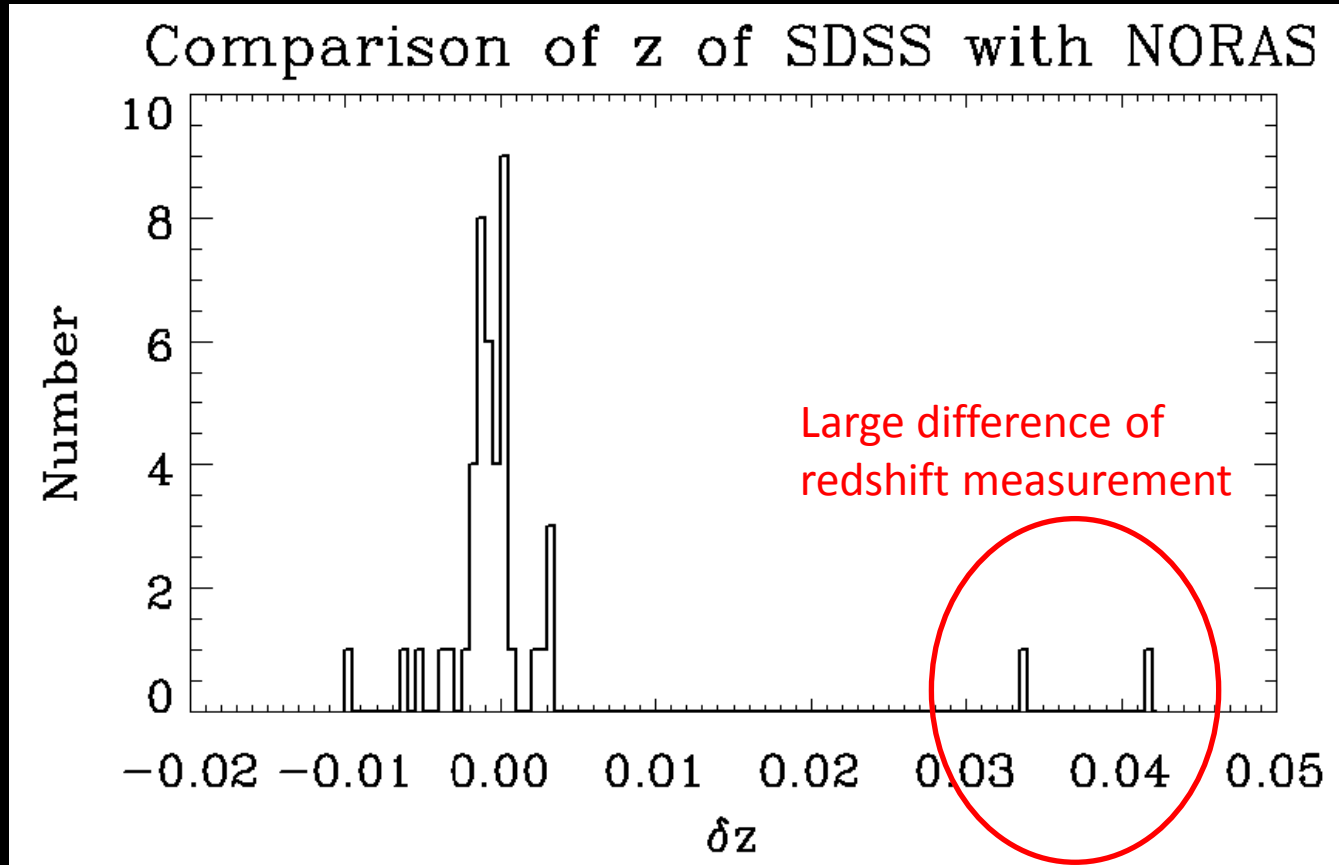
Cross-matched to **NORAS** with our **X-ray** clusters



Histogram of Normalized Physical Separation



Comparison of Redshift measurements

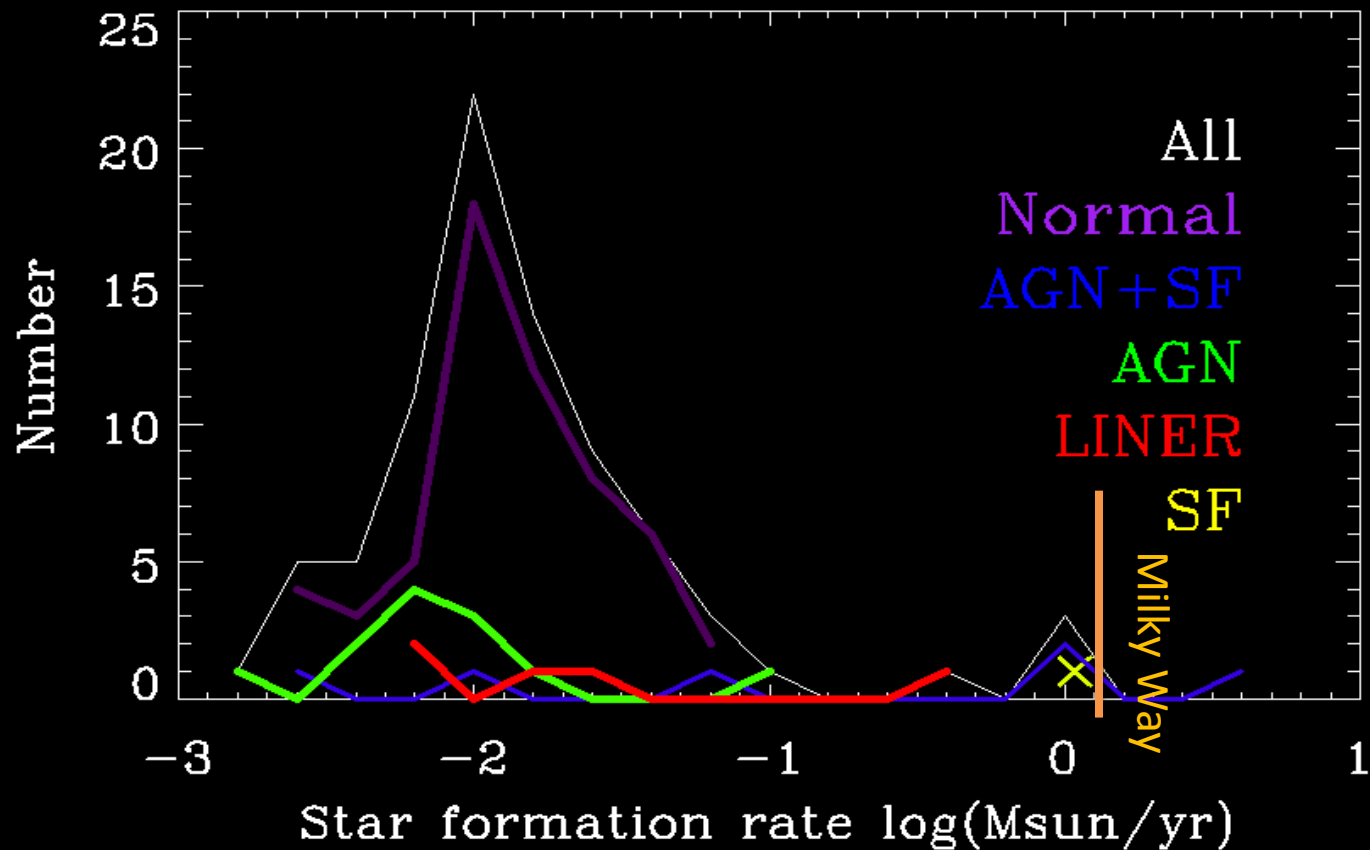


Star formation rate investigation

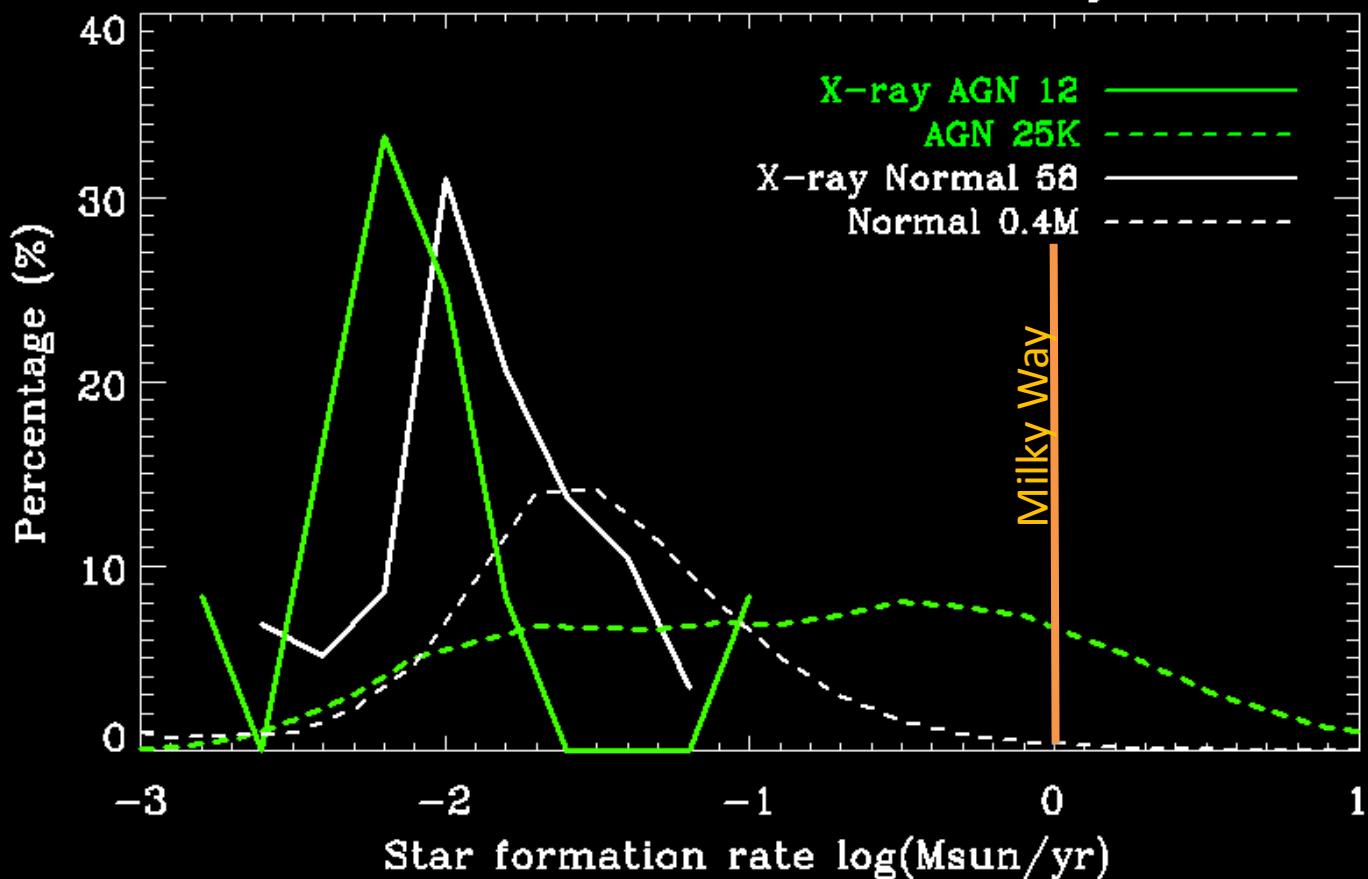
- SFR of **BCG** is a good indicator of cluster evolution stage.
- The SFR of Milky Way is 1 solar mass per year.
- [Do you remember this?](#)

Star formation rate of BCG in X-ray cluster

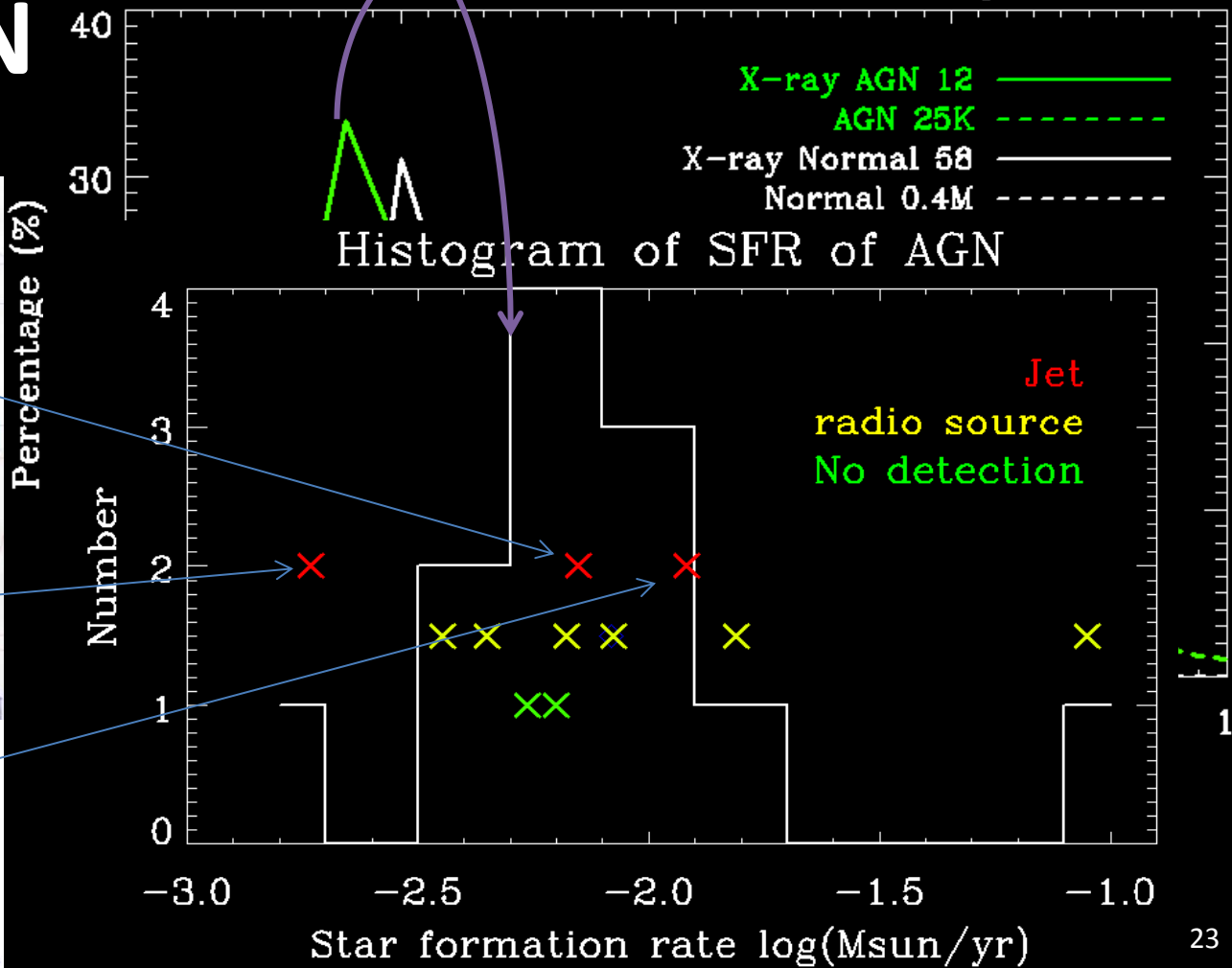
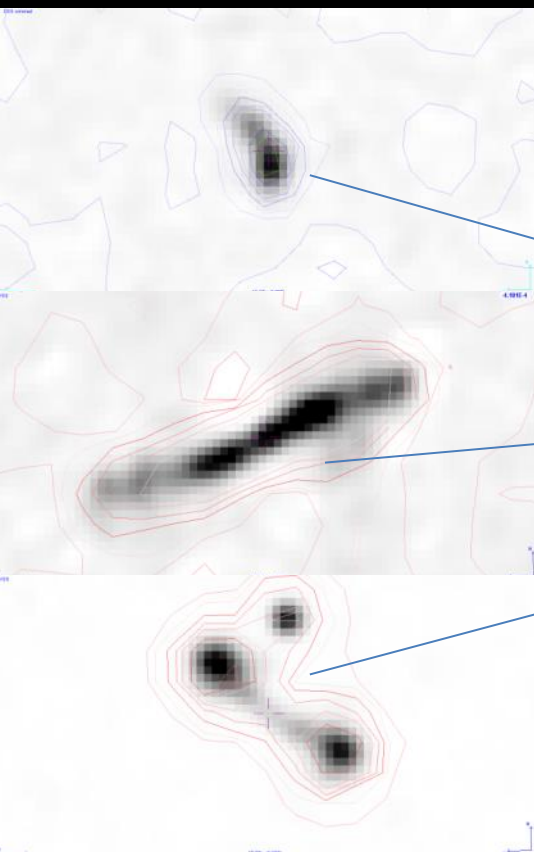
SFR of X-ray Cluster with class



SFR of BCG with and without X-ray emission



SFR of AGN



Discussion

1. Most **BCG** in **X-ray cluster** are not active
 - Local universe>>>> higher redshift?
2. SFR of **BCG** in **X-ray cluster** is smaller than that of average galaxies of the same spectral class
 - Evolution stage of X-ray cluster in local universe

Discussion (CONT.)

3. AGN feedback

Radio	Jet	Point source	No detection
Feedback	Strong	Weak	very weak

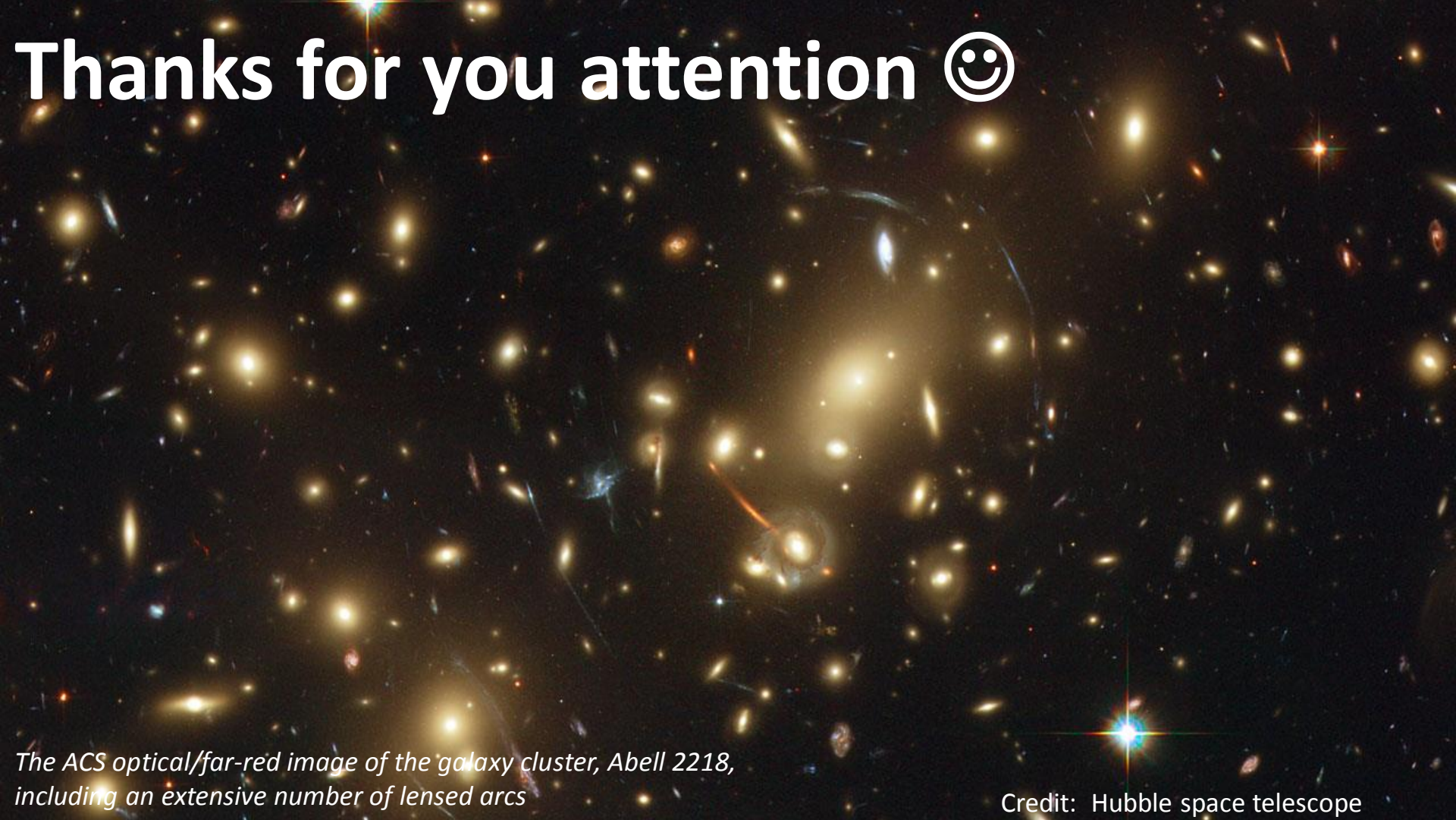
>> No influence on star formation?

>> lack of statistically meaningful data

Future works

- **X-ray** selected **BCGs** are more often have enhanced star formation than **optical** selected **BCGs**. (Wang, 2010. Liu, 2012.)
- X-ray cavities in massive clusters **do not have strong evolution** up to $z \sim 0.6$. (Hlavacek-Larrondo et al, 2012)

Thanks for you attention 😊



*The ACS optical/far-red image of the galaxy cluster, Abell 2218,
including an extensive number of lensed arcs*

Credit: Hubble space telescope