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# Simulations of the Synchrotron Cosmic Web

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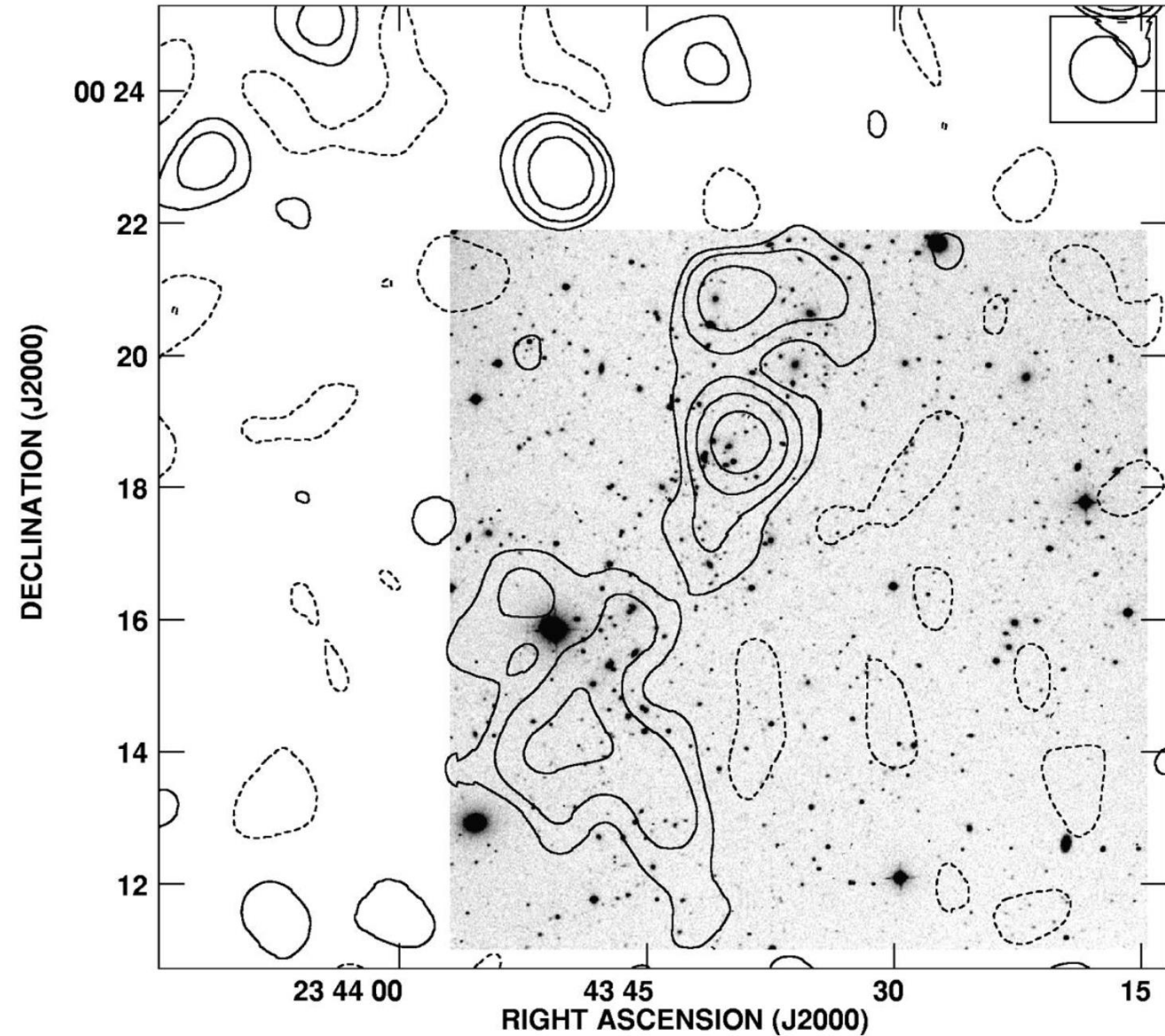
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*Cosmic Magnetism in Voids and Filaments 2023*

$z=0.276$

# Synchrotron Emission from the Cosmic Web

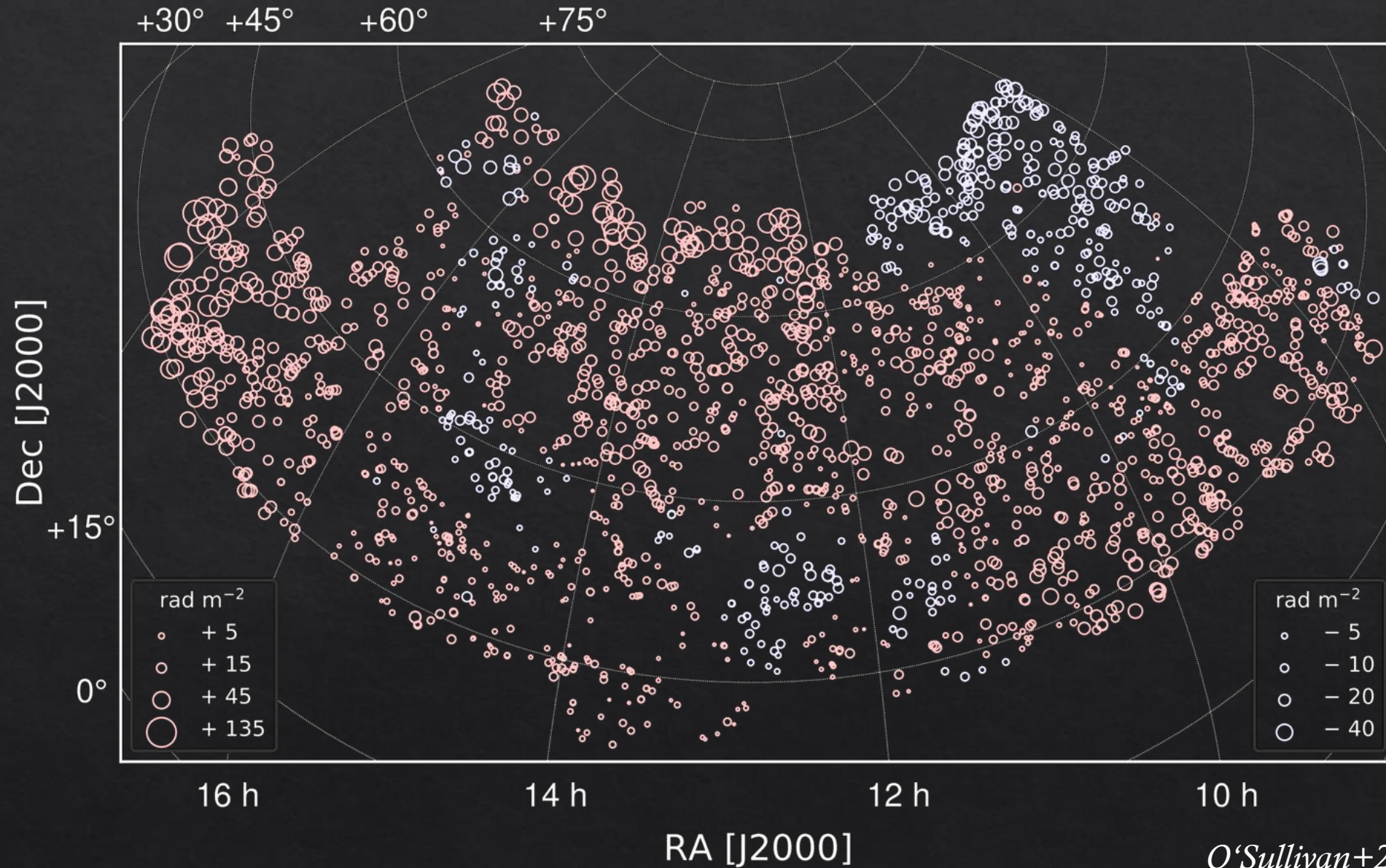
- Hierarchical structure formation leads to gas accretion
- Gas dissipates energy in shocks:
  - Merger shocks (cluster periphery)
  - Accretion shocks (onto clusters/filaments)
- Electron acceleration via „diffusive shock acceleration“ (DSA)
- Synchrotron Emission due to magnetic field



*Bagchi+02*



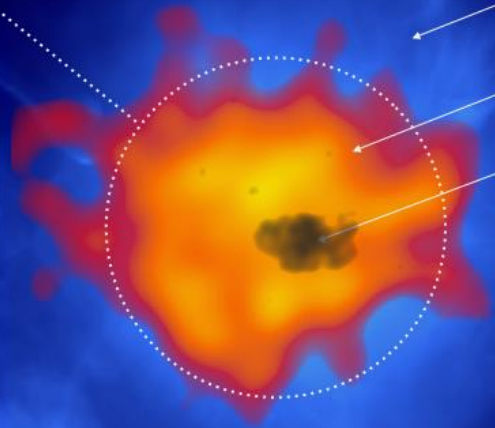
# What about the magnetic field? -> 10 nG



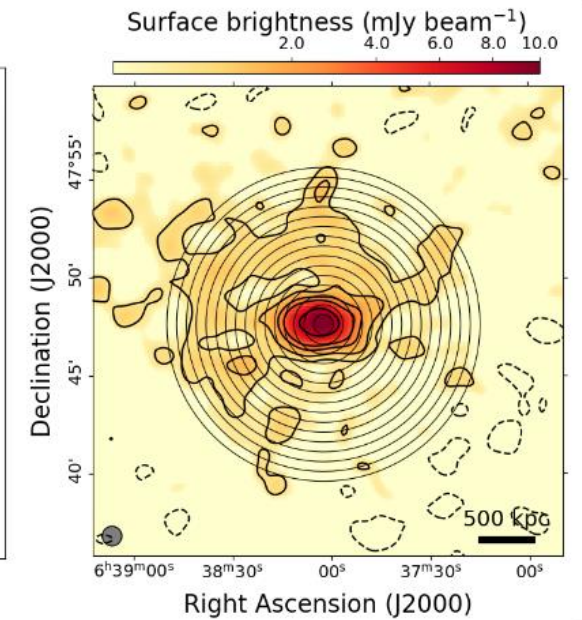
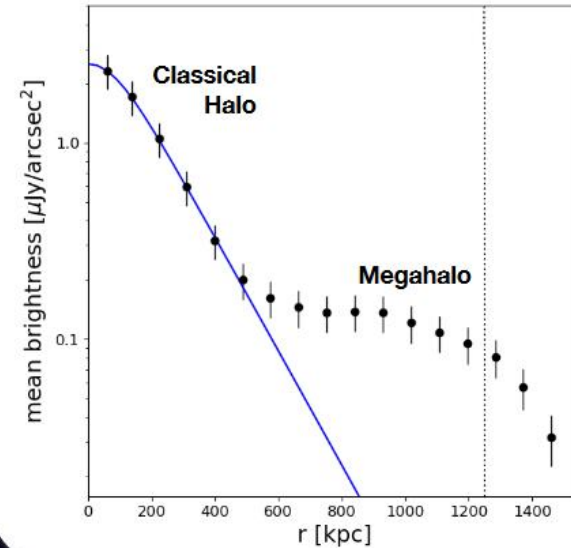
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# What about the rel. Electrons? -> Mega Halos

$R_{500}$



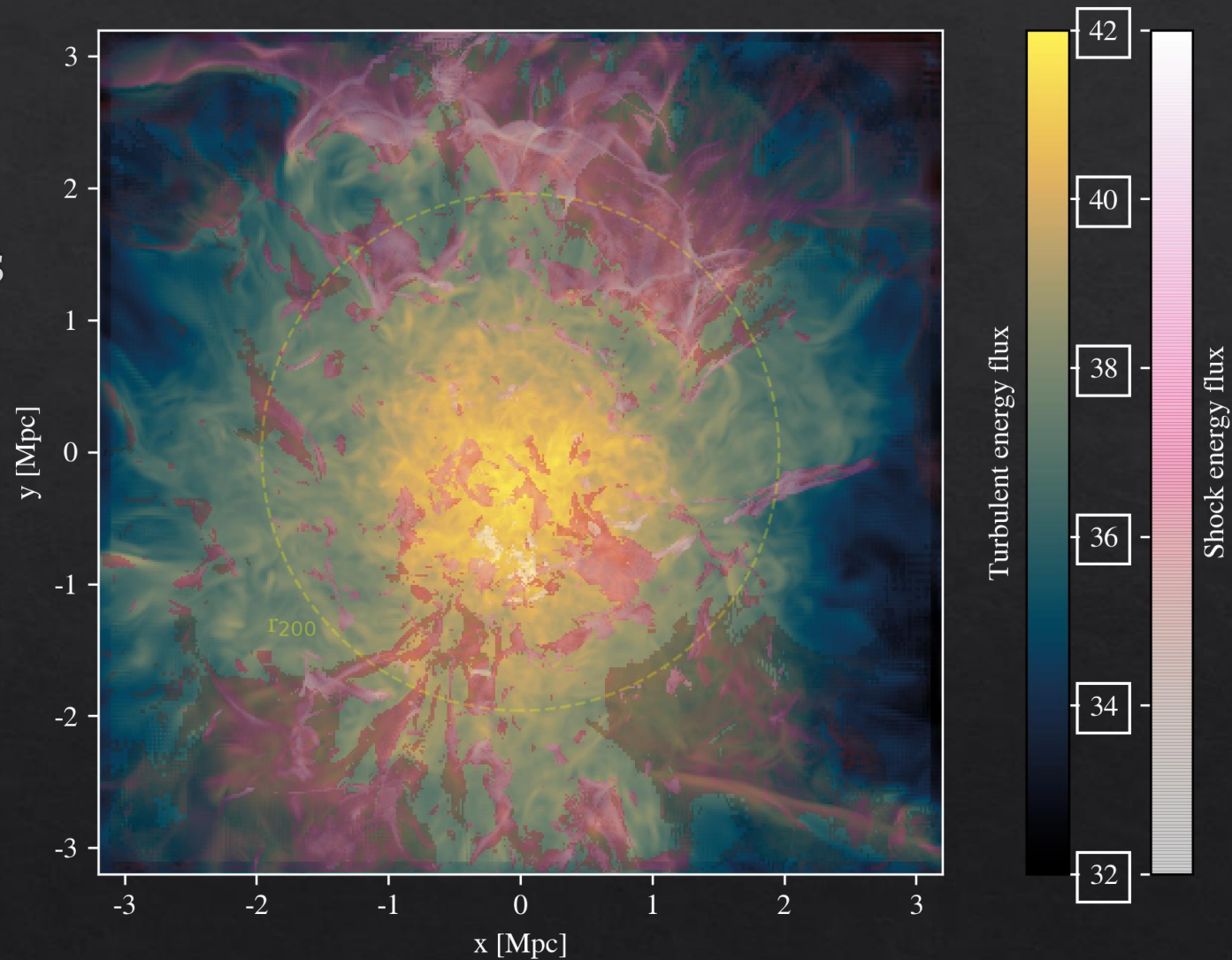
- Gas density (computer simulation)
- Megahalo - radius = 1400 kpc
- Classical halo - radius = 352 kpc





# Relativistic Electrons

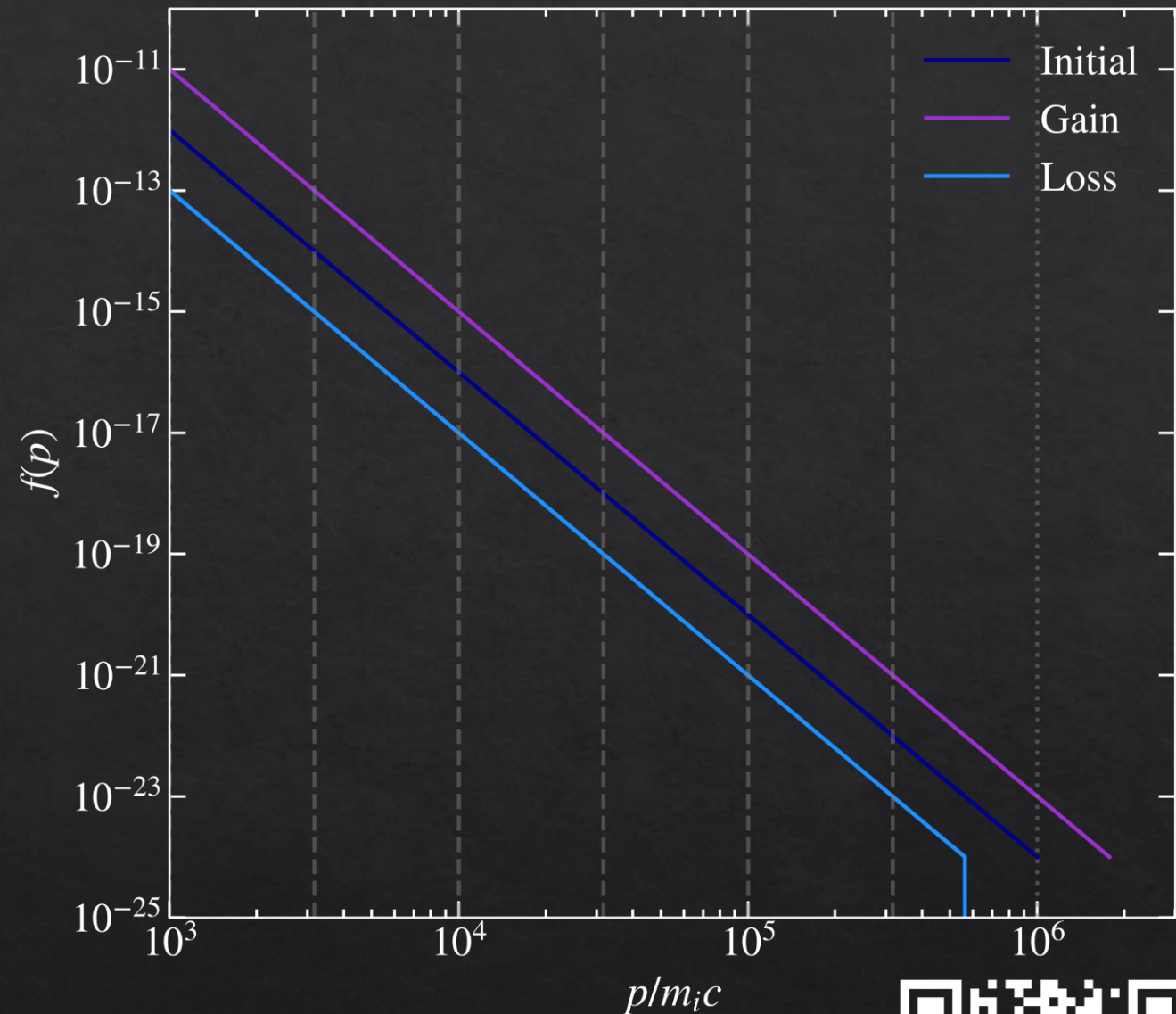
- Mega Halos hint towards significant relativistic CR electrons in the cluster periphery
- Cooling times of electrons:  $t \sim 100\text{-}500$  Myrs
- Something needs to re-energize electrons!
- Insights from simulations



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# A Spectral CR Model

- Populations of CR protons and electrons attached to each SPH particle
- Discretized as Piece-wise powerlaw
- Evolve Distribution Function  $f(\mathbf{p})$  at every timestep of the simulation
- Feedback via pressure component
- Observables from distr. function



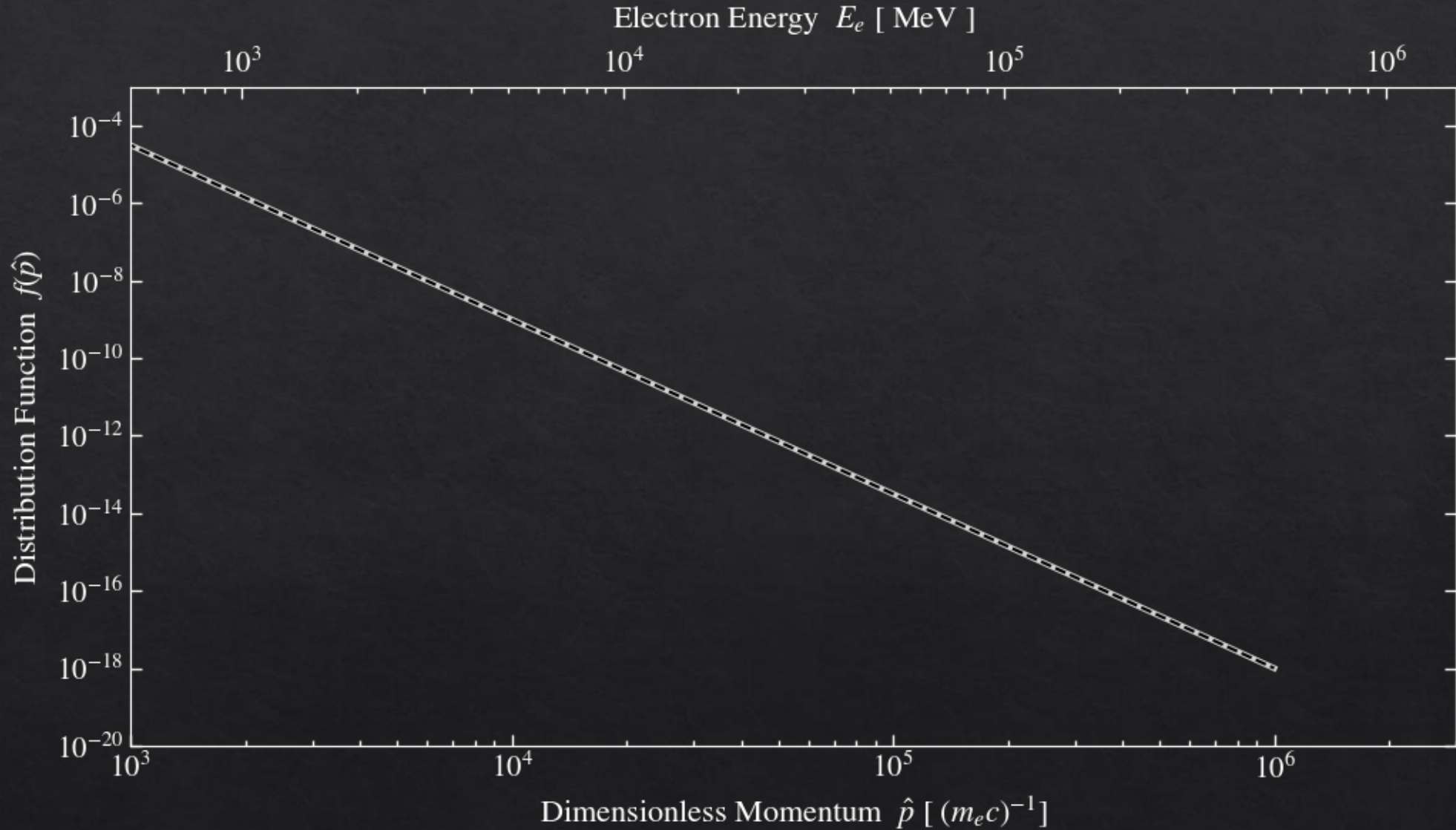
Dashed lines: Bin boundaries  
Dotted line: Spectral Cutoff

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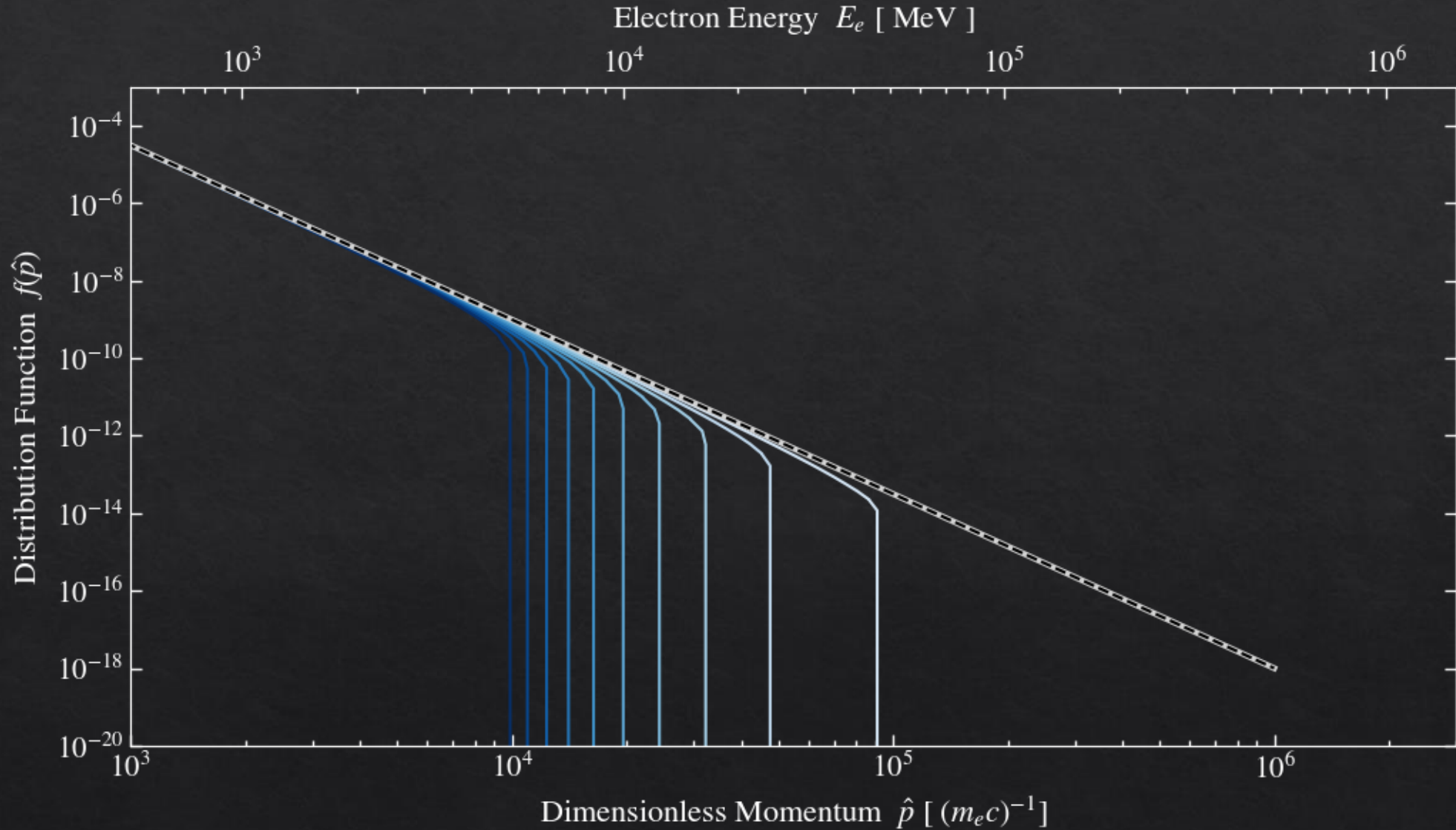




$$\frac{Df(p,t)}{Dt} = \nabla (\kappa(p)\nabla f(p,t)) + \left(\frac{1}{3}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}\right) p \frac{\partial f(p,t)}{\partial p} + \frac{1}{p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left( p^2 \left[ \sum_l b_l f(p,t) + D_{pp} \frac{\partial f(p,t)}{\partial p} \right] \right) + j(\mathbf{x}, p)$$

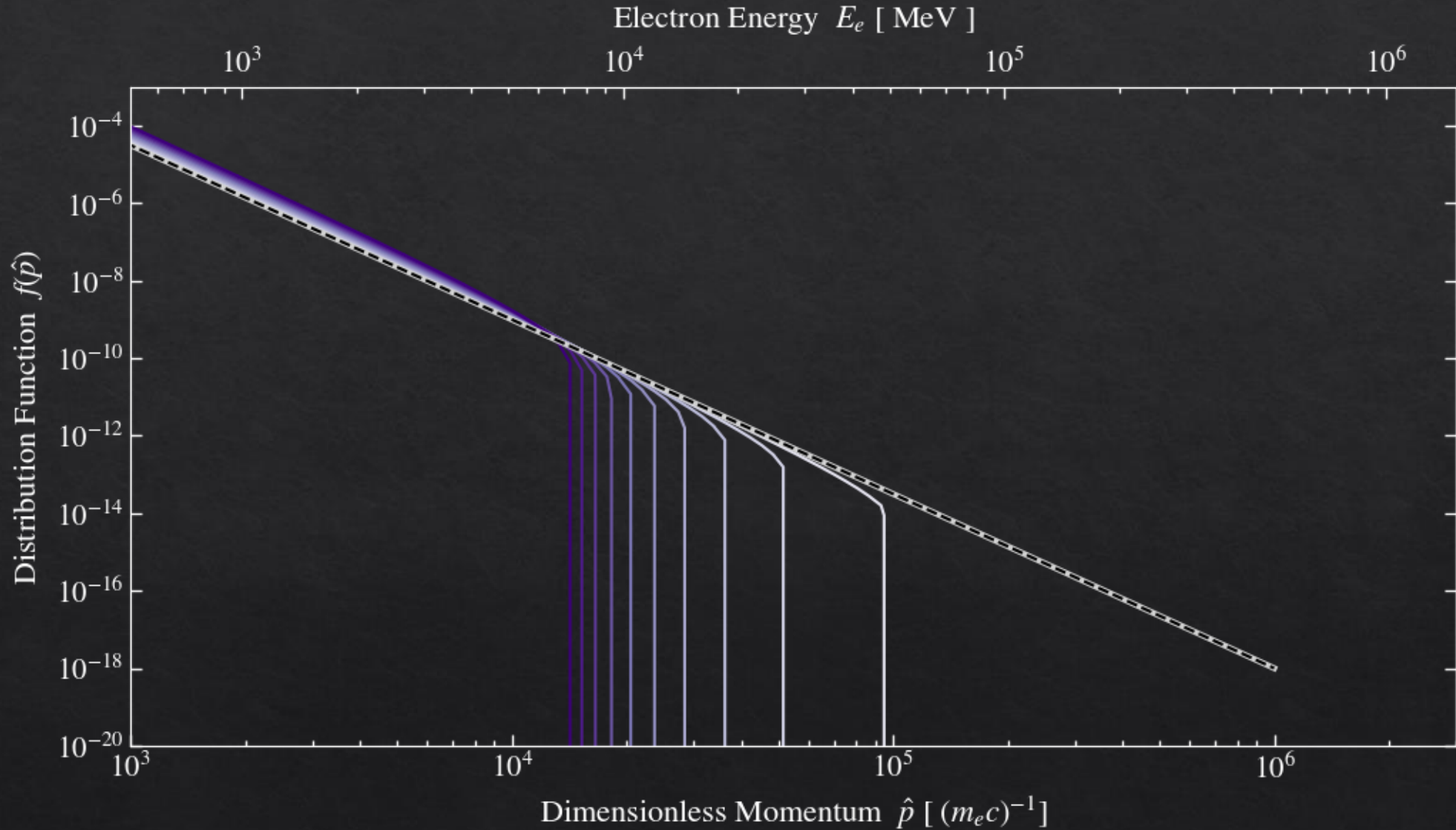


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# *SLOW*: Simulating the LOcal Web

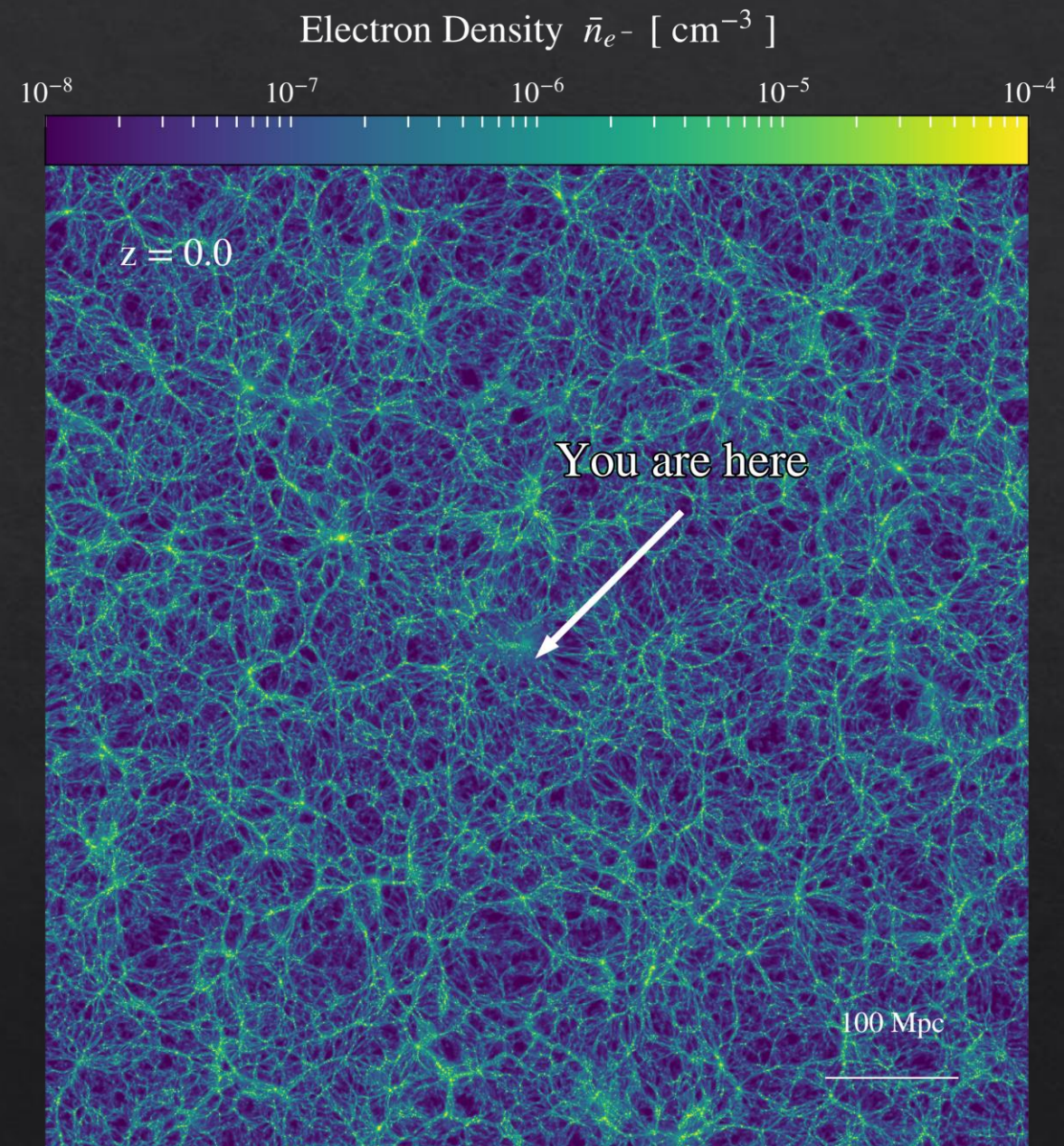


# *SLOW* - Fact Sheet

- 500 Mpc/h boxes
- Constrained ICs (Sorce+14)
- Resembles the local observed universe
- Non-radiative MHD simulation + Spectral Cosmic Rays ( protons (12bins) & electrons (24bins) over 6 dex)
- Particle resolution:

$$N = 2 \times 3072^3 \approx 2 \times 3 \cdot 10^{10}$$

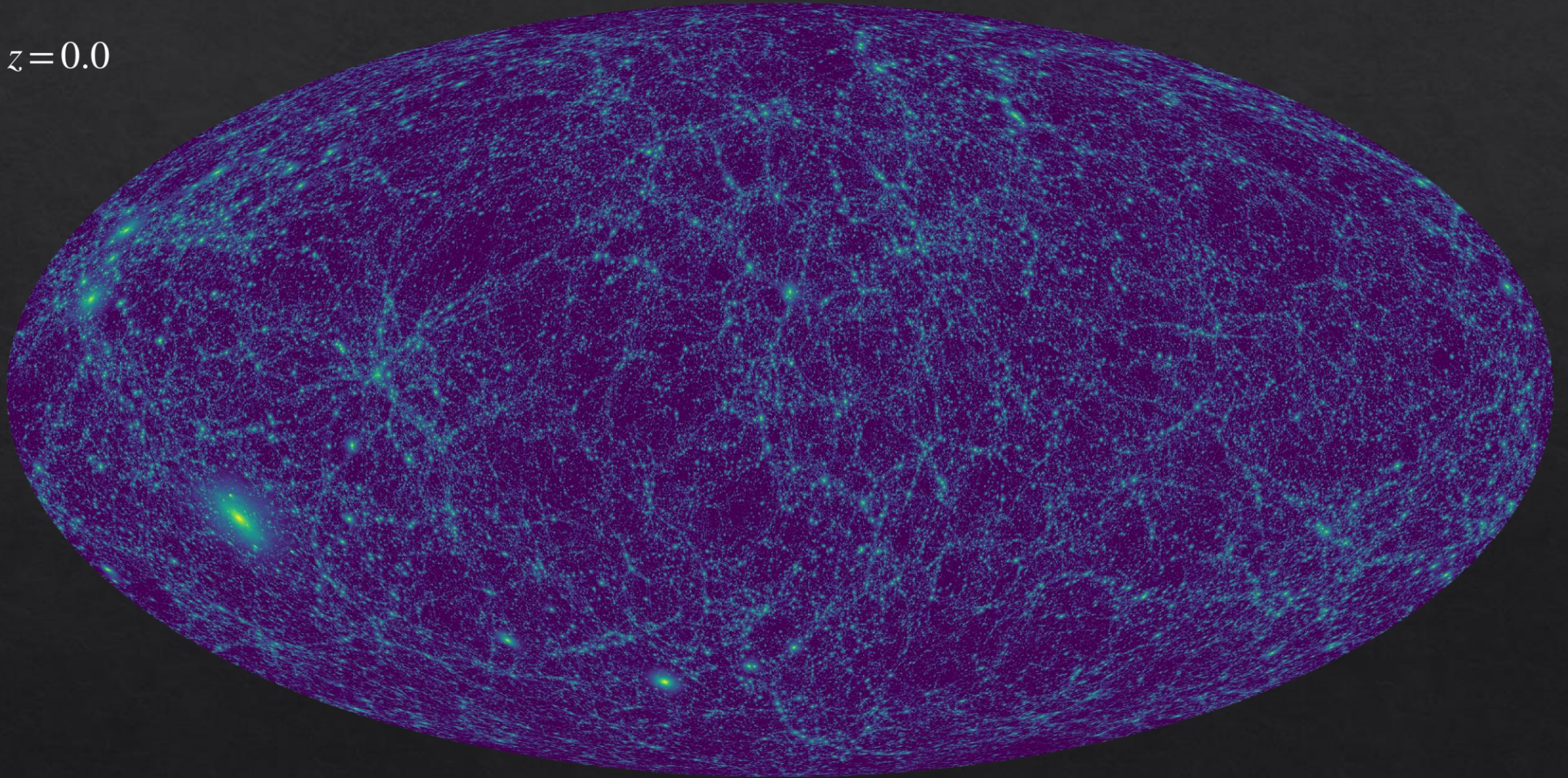
- Mass resolution:  
 $m_{\text{DM}} \approx 4.5 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}$   
 $m_{\text{gas}} \approx 8.5 \times 10^7 M_{\odot}$       $\sim 2x$  Magneticum hr



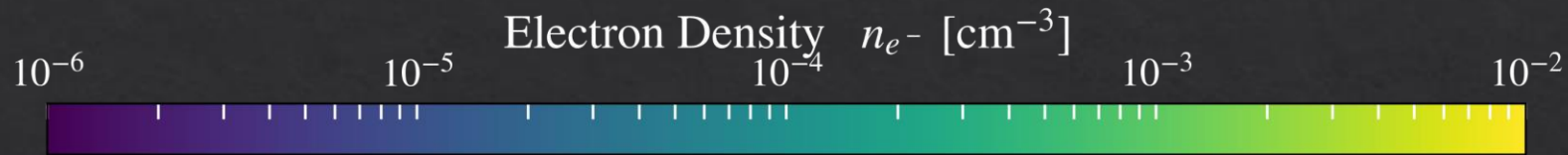




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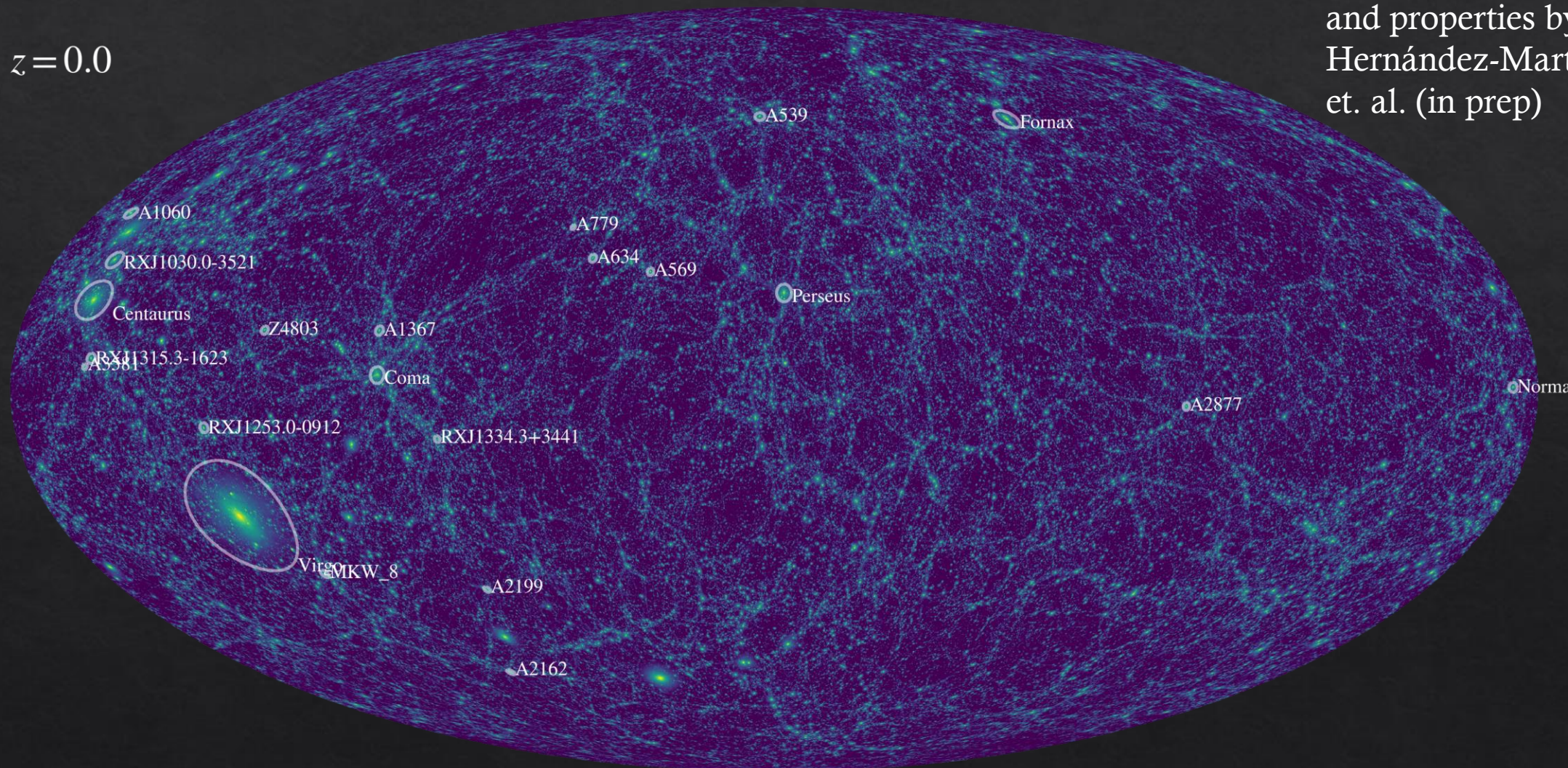






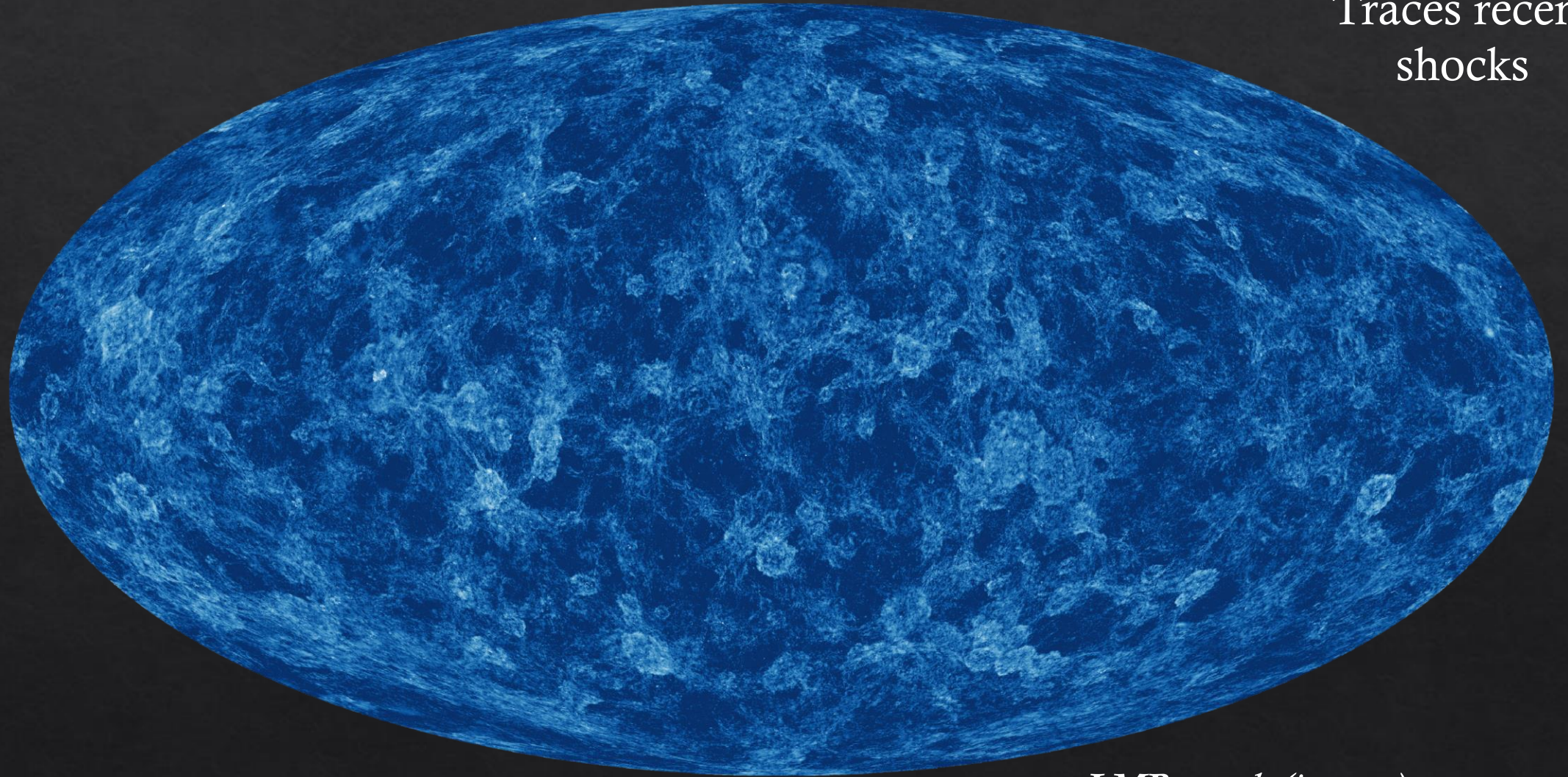
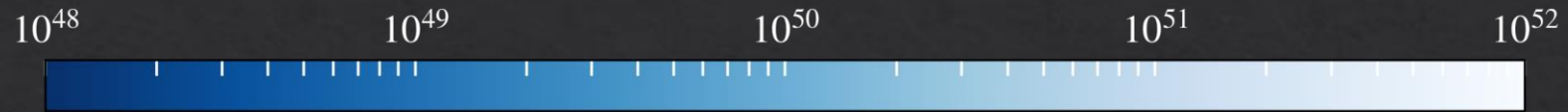
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Cluster identification and properties by Hernández-Martínez et. al. (in prep)





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Traces recent shocks



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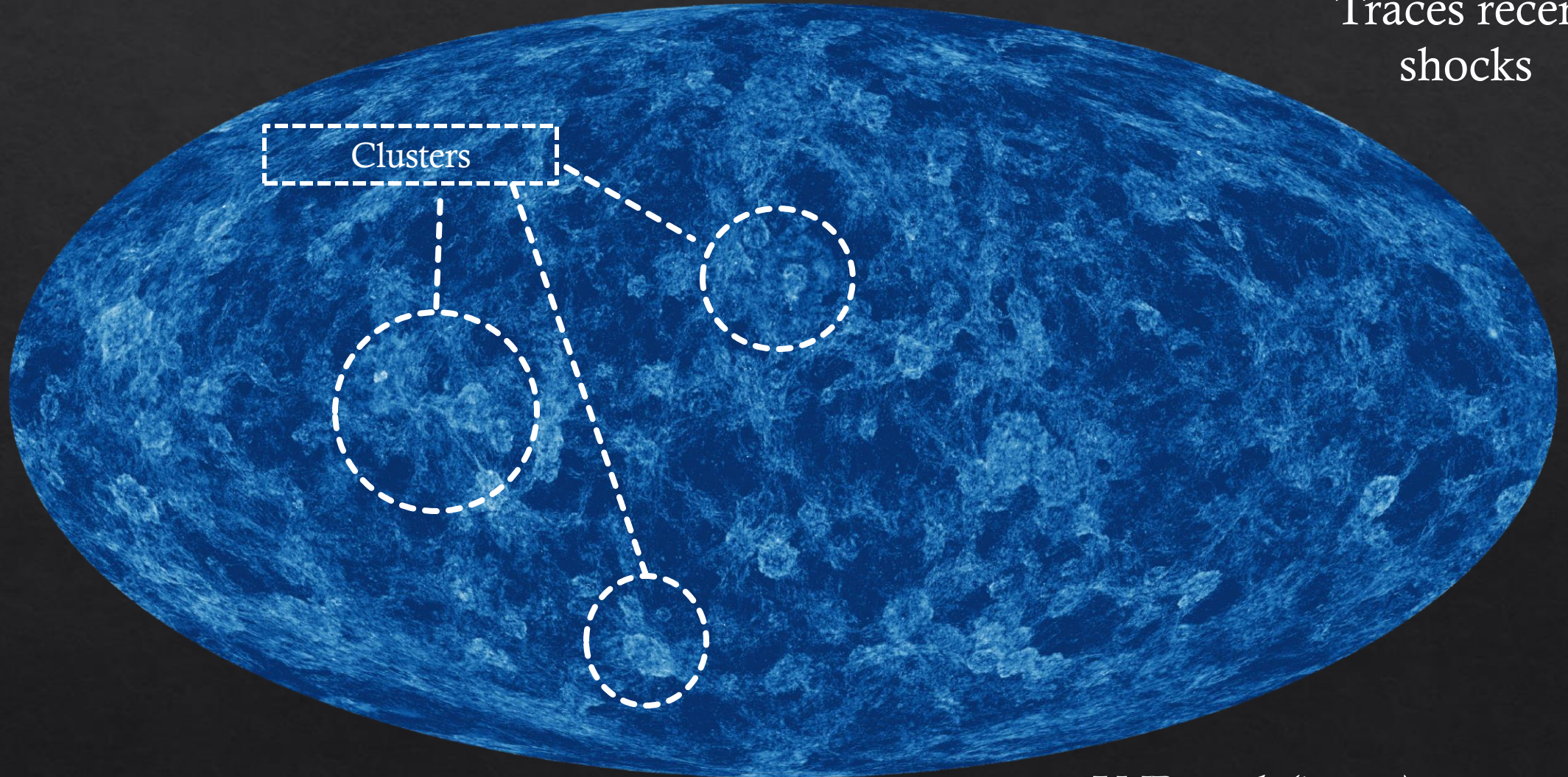
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$10^{51}$

$10^{52}$



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Clusters

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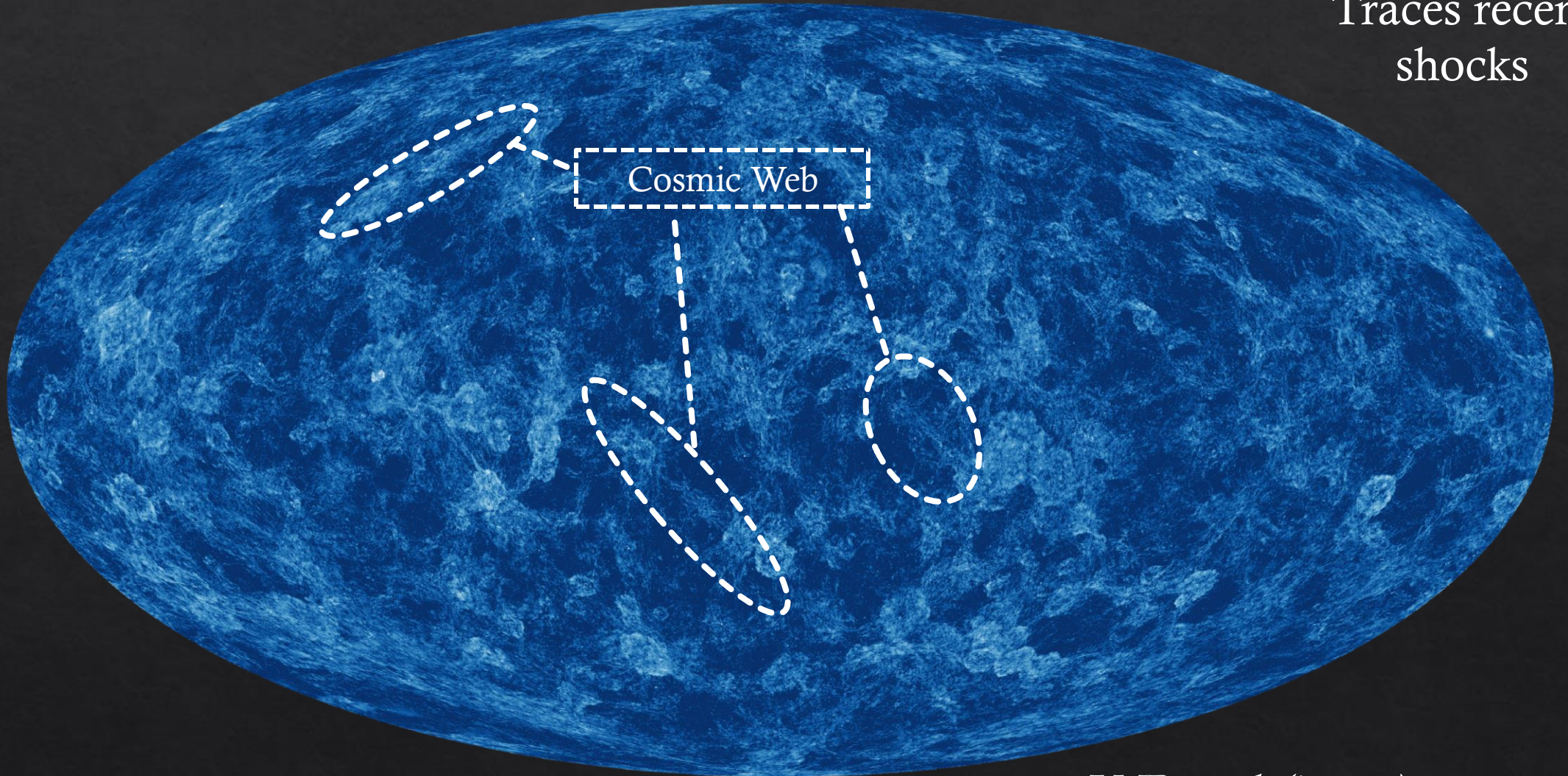
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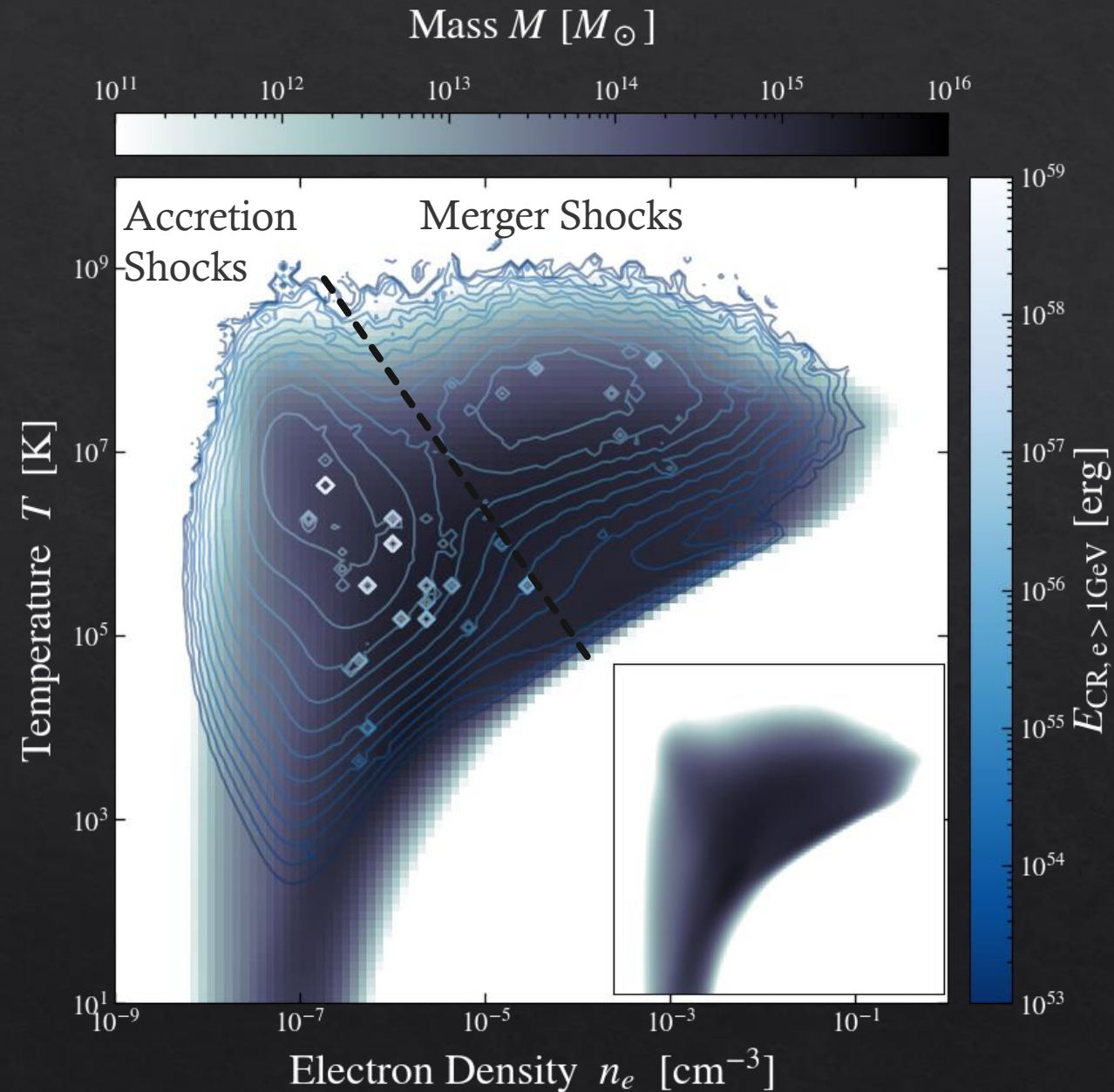
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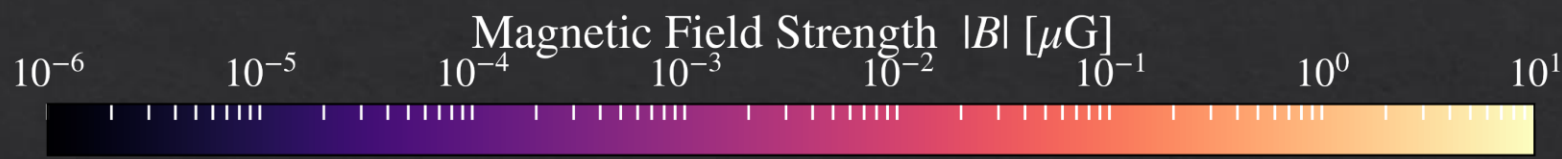
# CR Electron injection

- Phase-space analysis
- 2 distinct populations:
  - Merger shocks
  - Accretion shocks
- Efficient acceleration in both regimes
- What about the magnetic field?



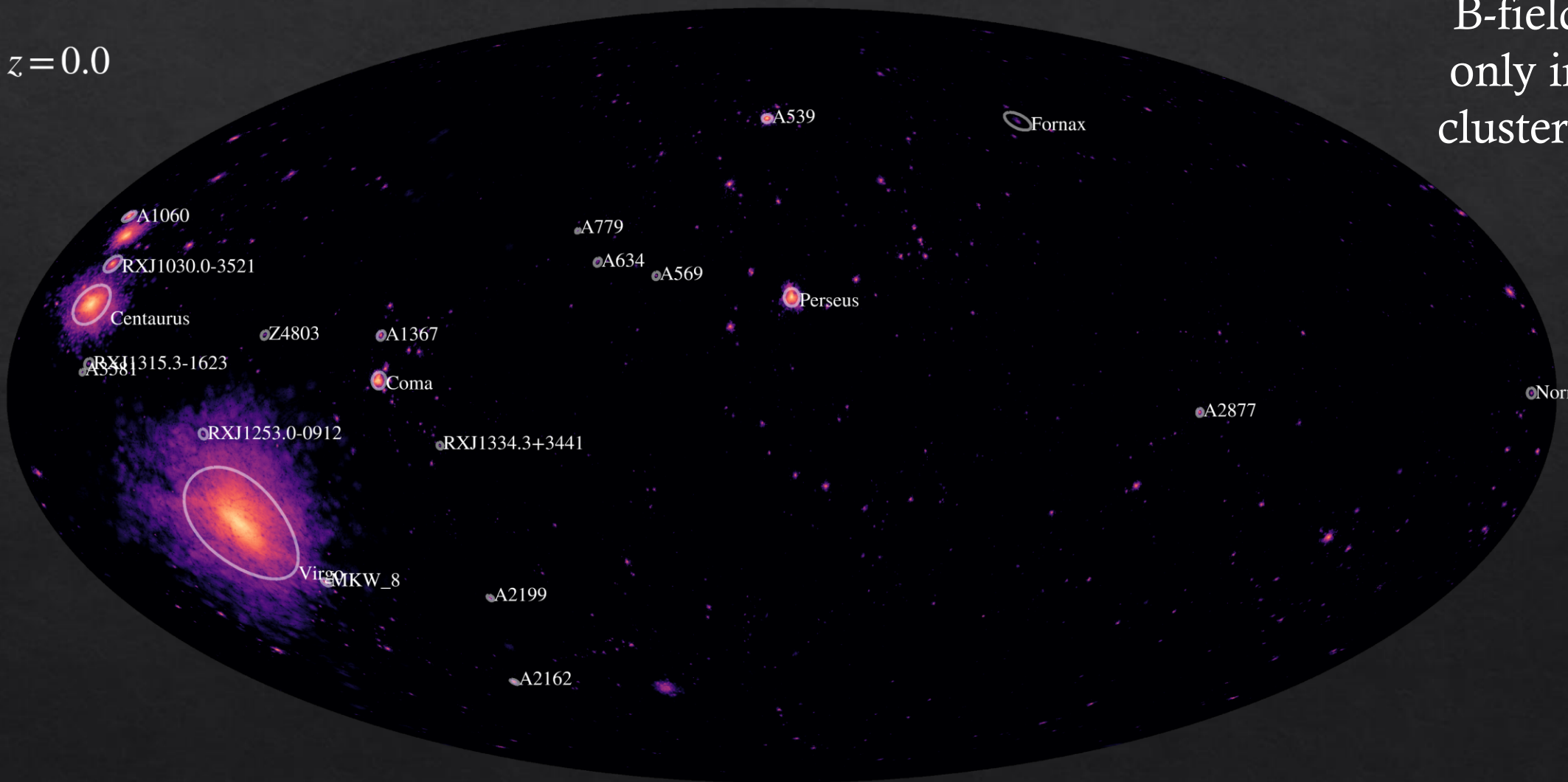
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$B_0 = 10^{-12}$  G  
at  $z = 120$



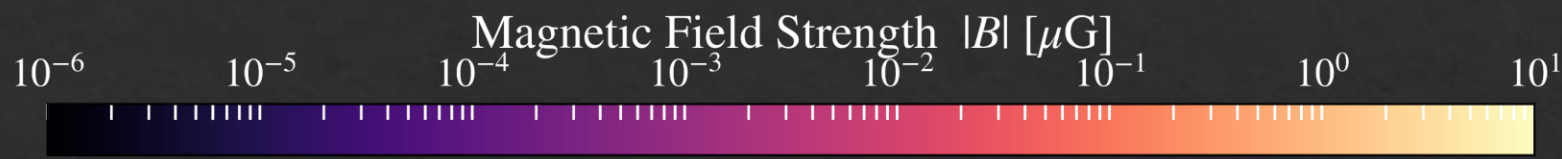
Problem:  
B-field  
only in  
clusters!

$z = 0.0$





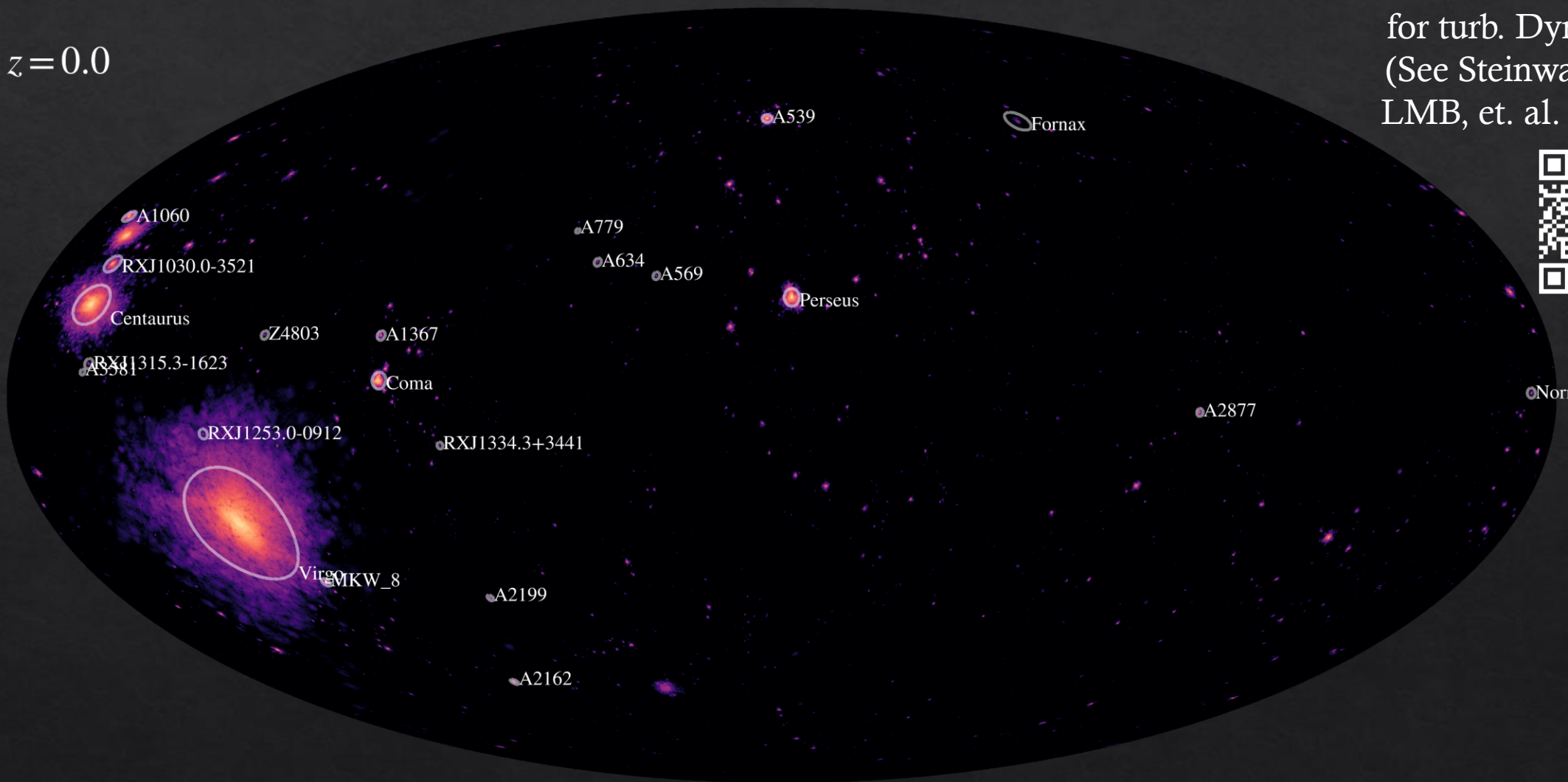
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Reason:  
Insufficient resolution  
for turb. Dynamo  
(See Steinwandel,  
LMB, et. al. 2022)



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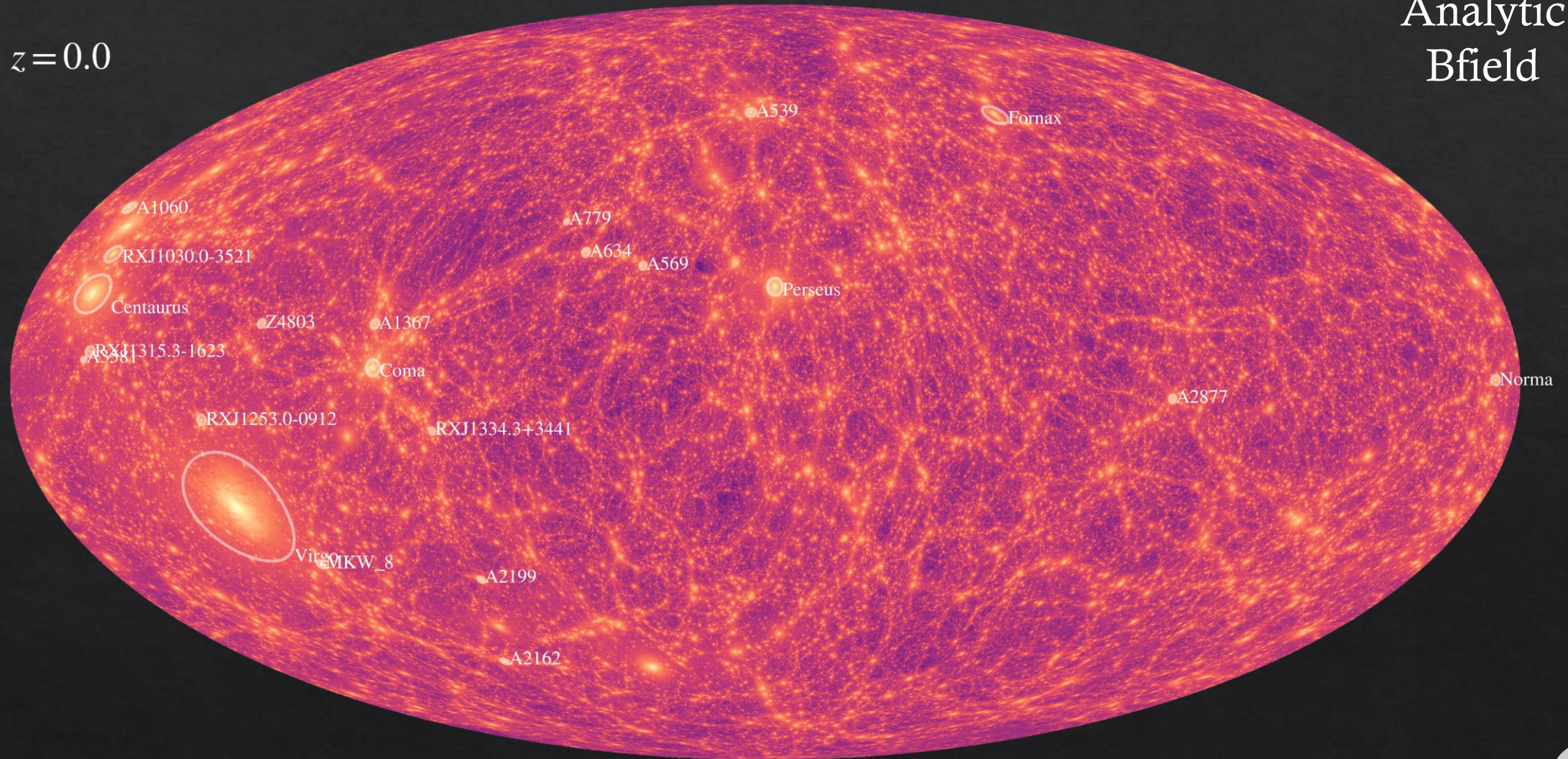






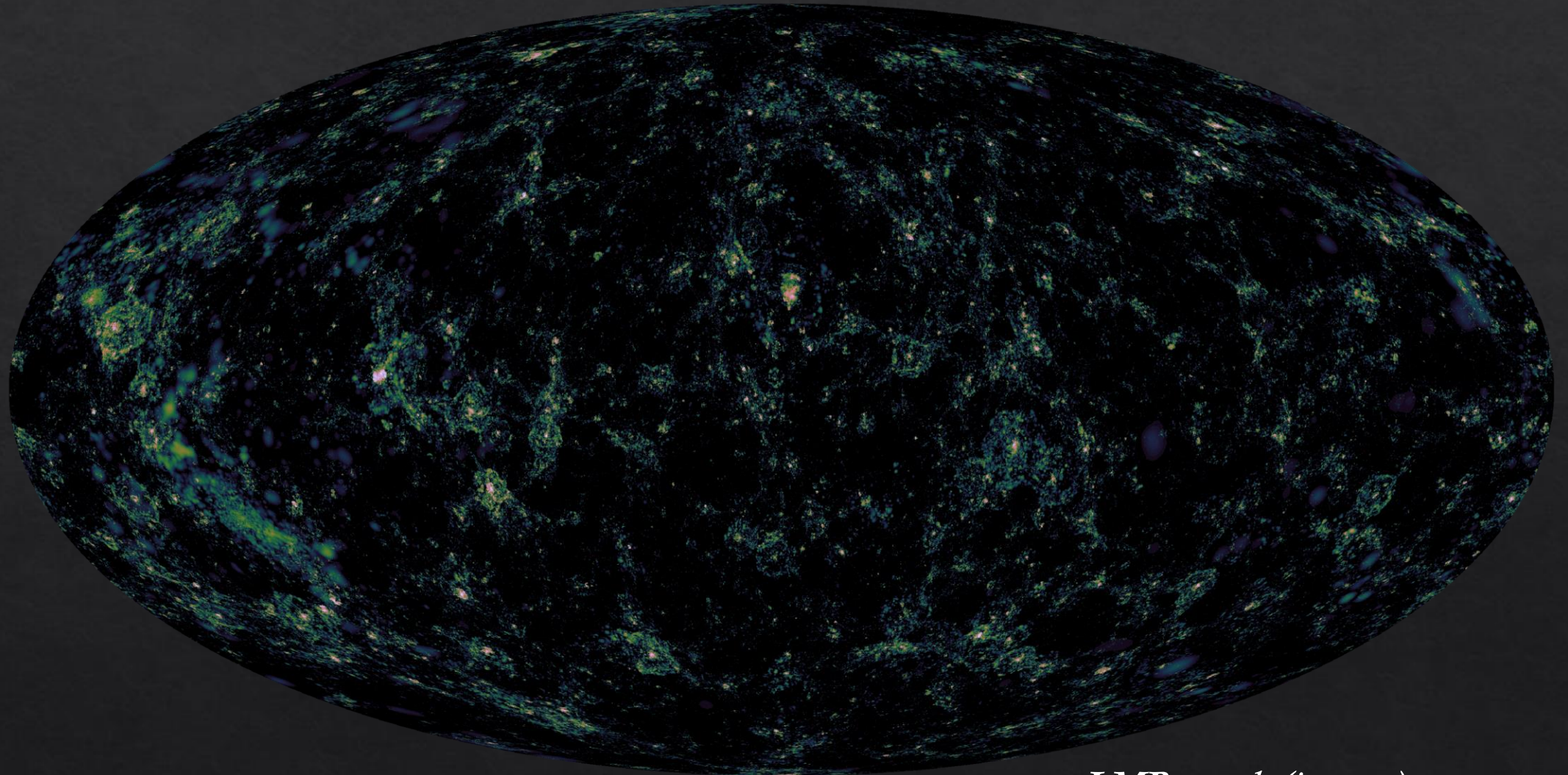
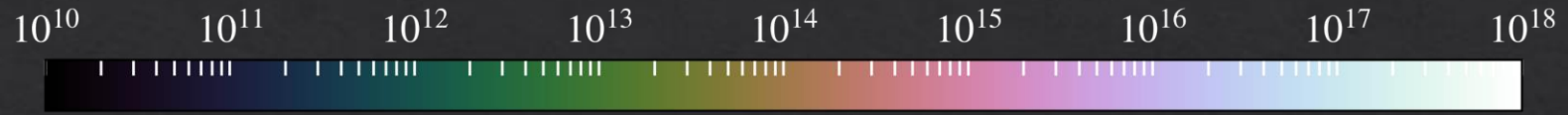
Solution:  
Analytic  
Bfield

$z = 0.0$





Synchrotron Power  $P_{\nu, 144\text{MHz}}$  [ $\text{W Hz}^{-1} \text{kpc}^{-2}$ ]





Re-Acceleration Coefficient  $D_0$  [ $s^{-1}$ ]

$10^{-19}$

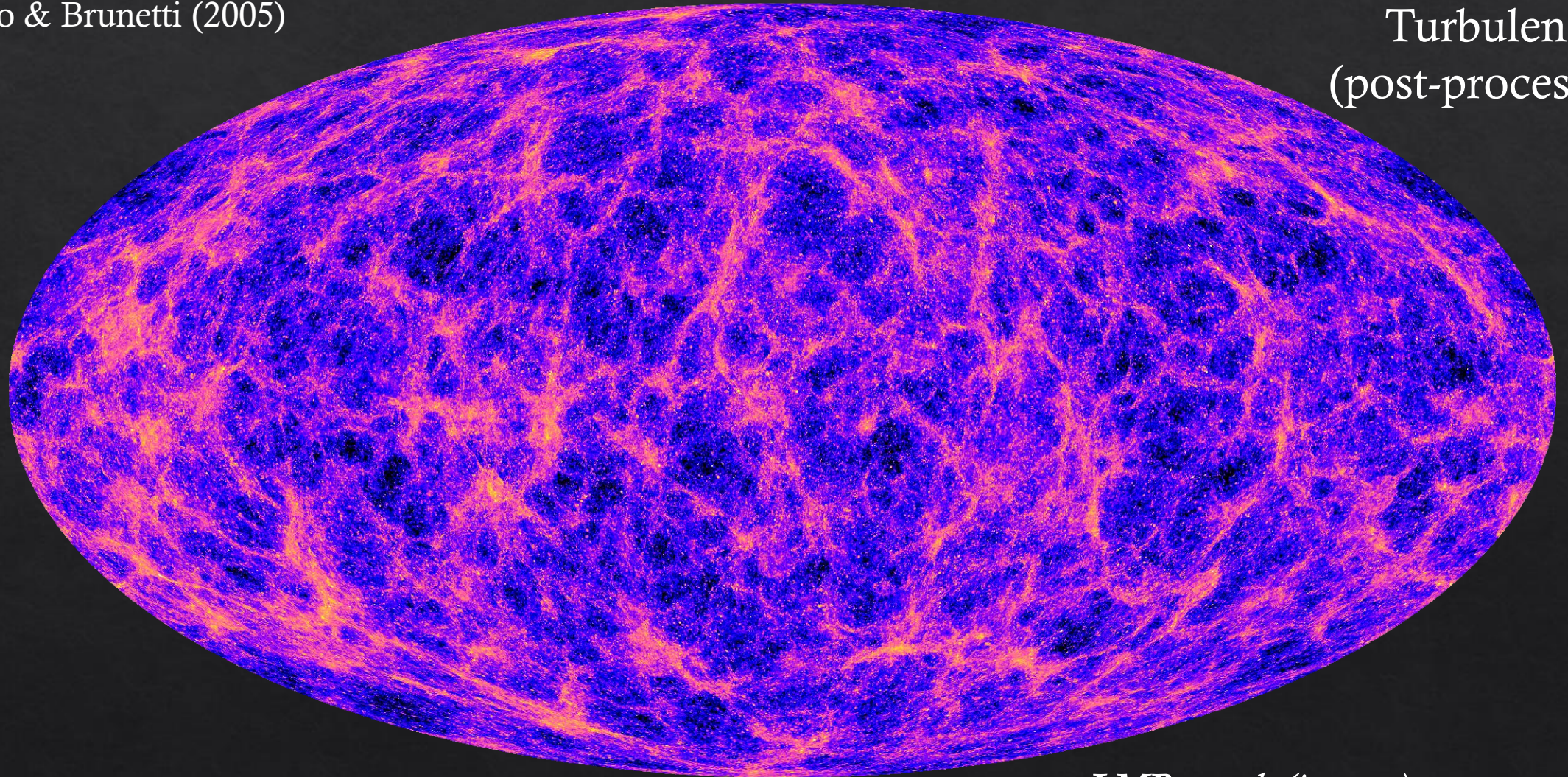
$10^{-18}$

$10^{-17}$



Based on:  
Cassano & Brunetti (2005)

Next Step:  
Turbulence  
(post-processing)



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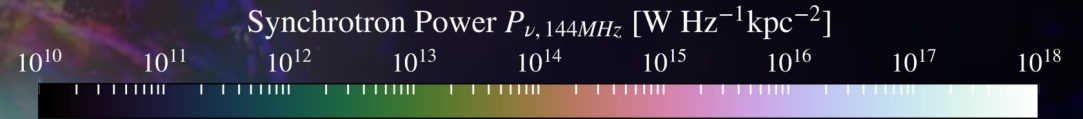


# Conclusion

- First current gen simulation with a spectral CR model
- Consistent injection around filaments and in clusters
- Prediction for radio emission

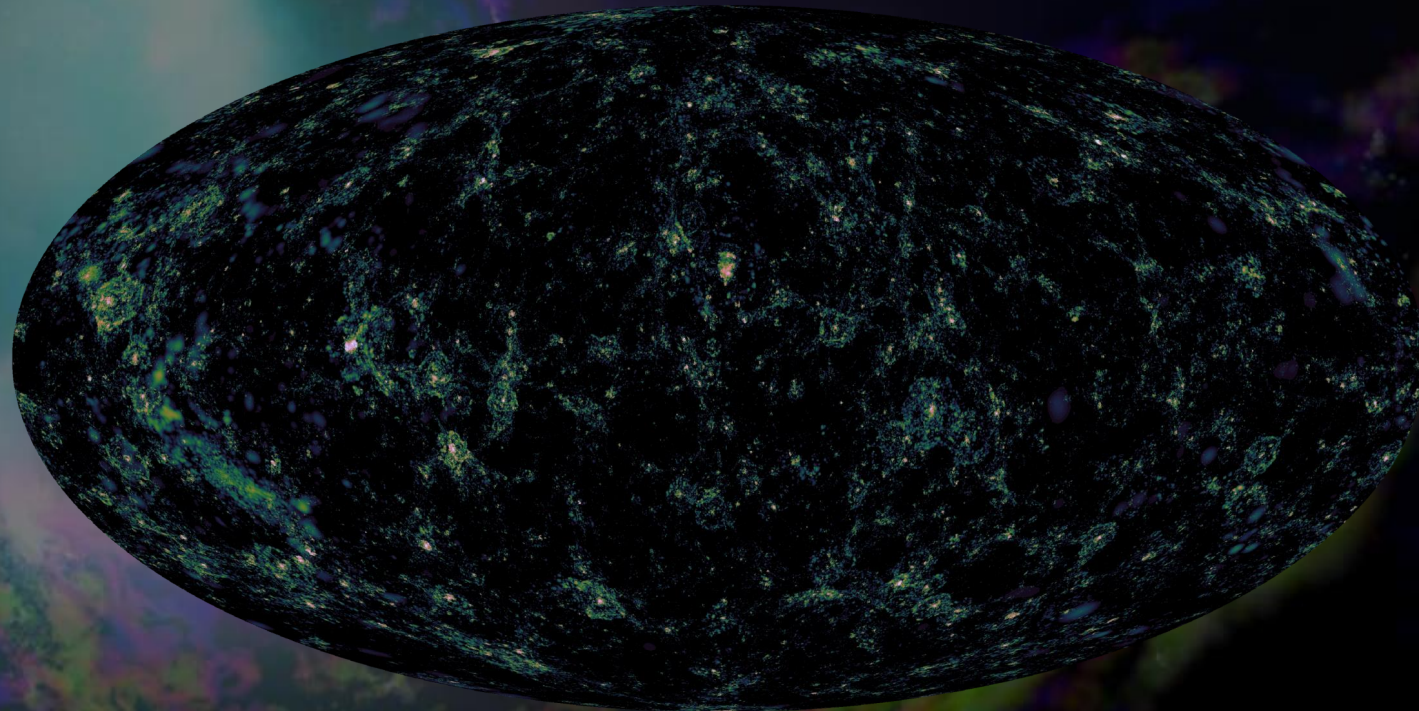


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# Outlook

- Radio Emission of Coma, Perseus and Virgo (*Dolag, LMB, in prep.*)
- Predictions for allsky Gamma-Ray Emission (*LMB et. al., in prep*)



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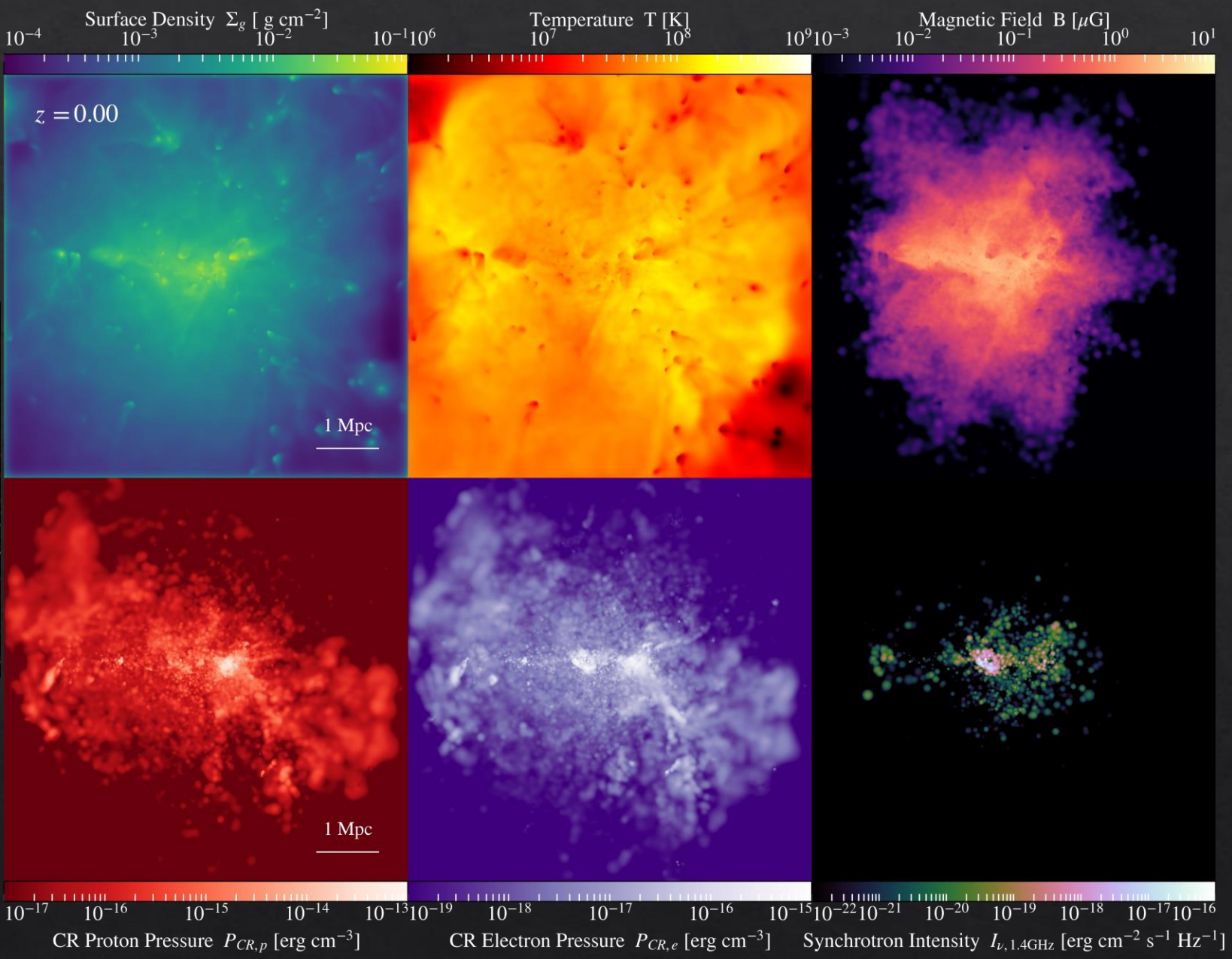
# Backup Slides



# Coma Cluster



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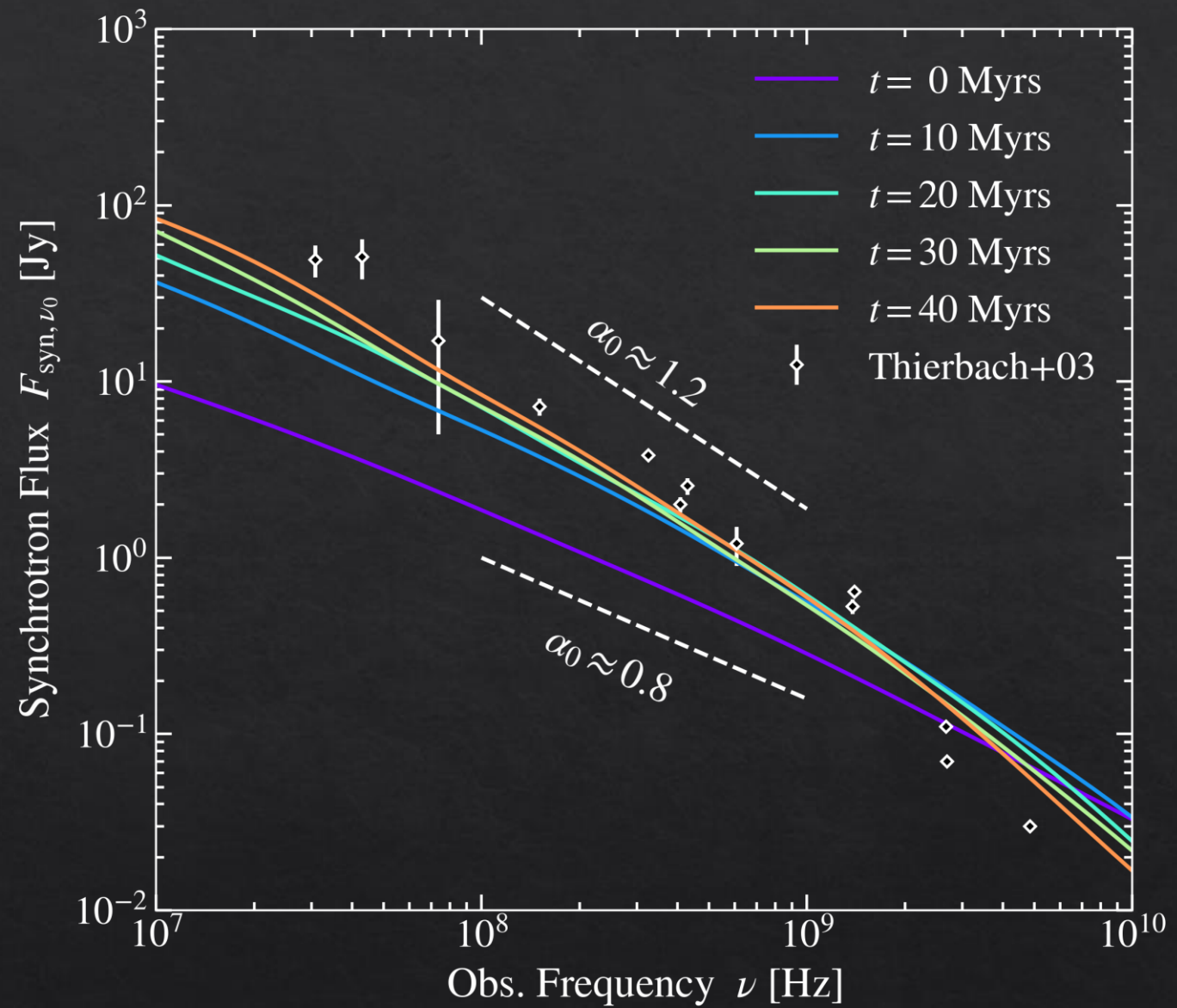




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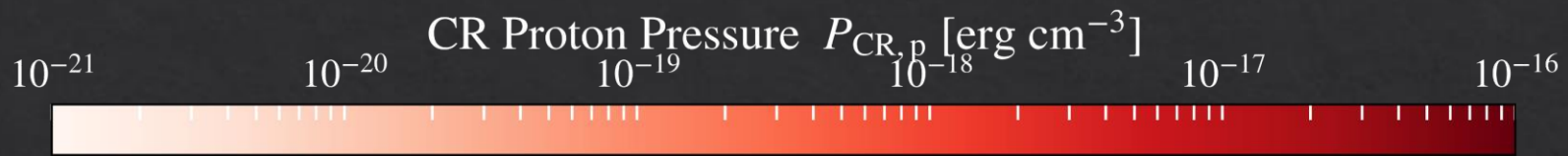
- Initially: Shock injected spectrum
- Post-process with re-acceleration + cooling for 40 Myrs
- Spectral steepening due to turbulence
- Excellent agreement with observations

$$L_\nu \propto B^{\alpha_0 + 1}$$



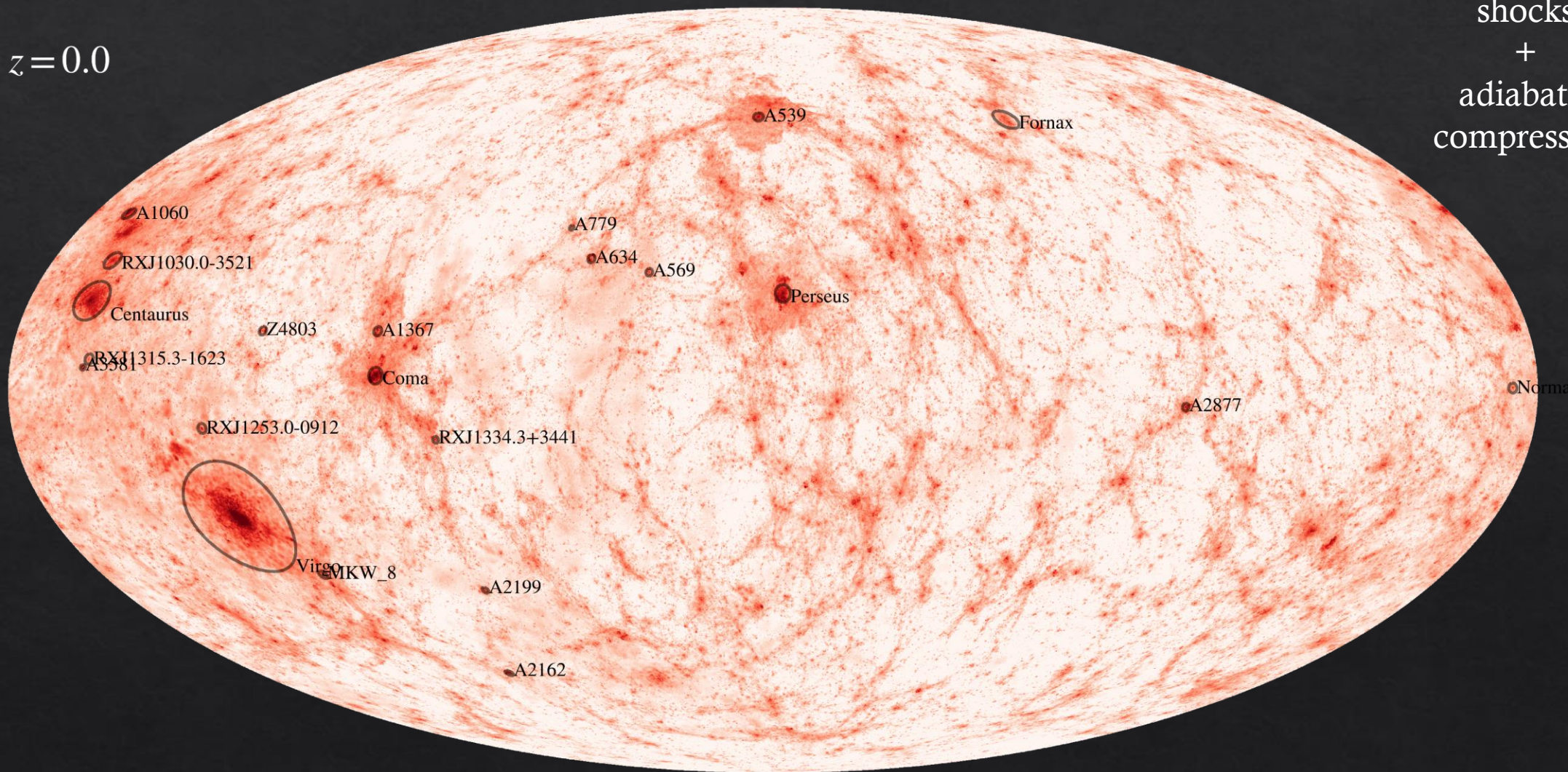
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Injection at shocks  
+  
adiabatic  
compression





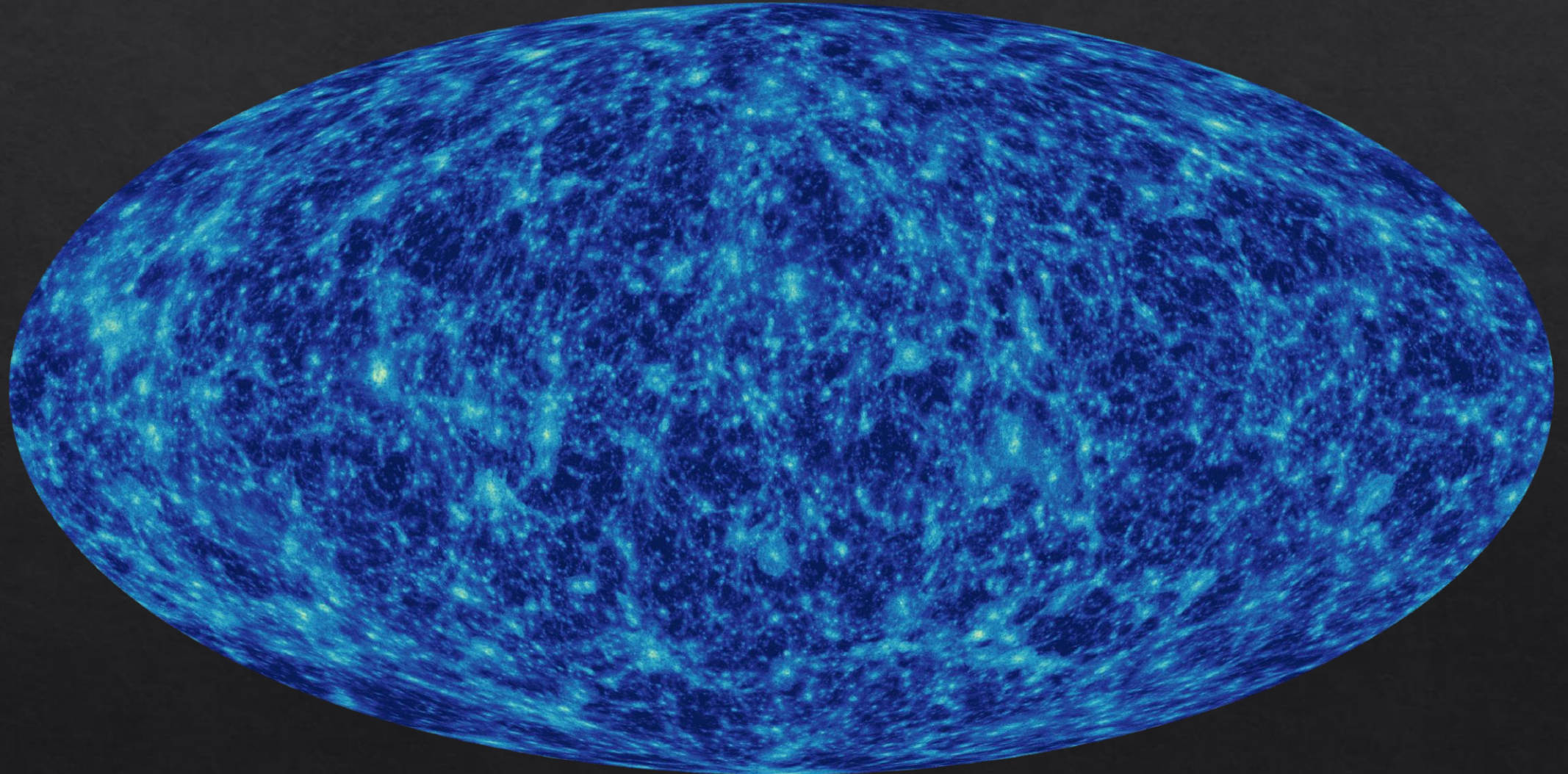
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$10^{56}$

$10^{57}$

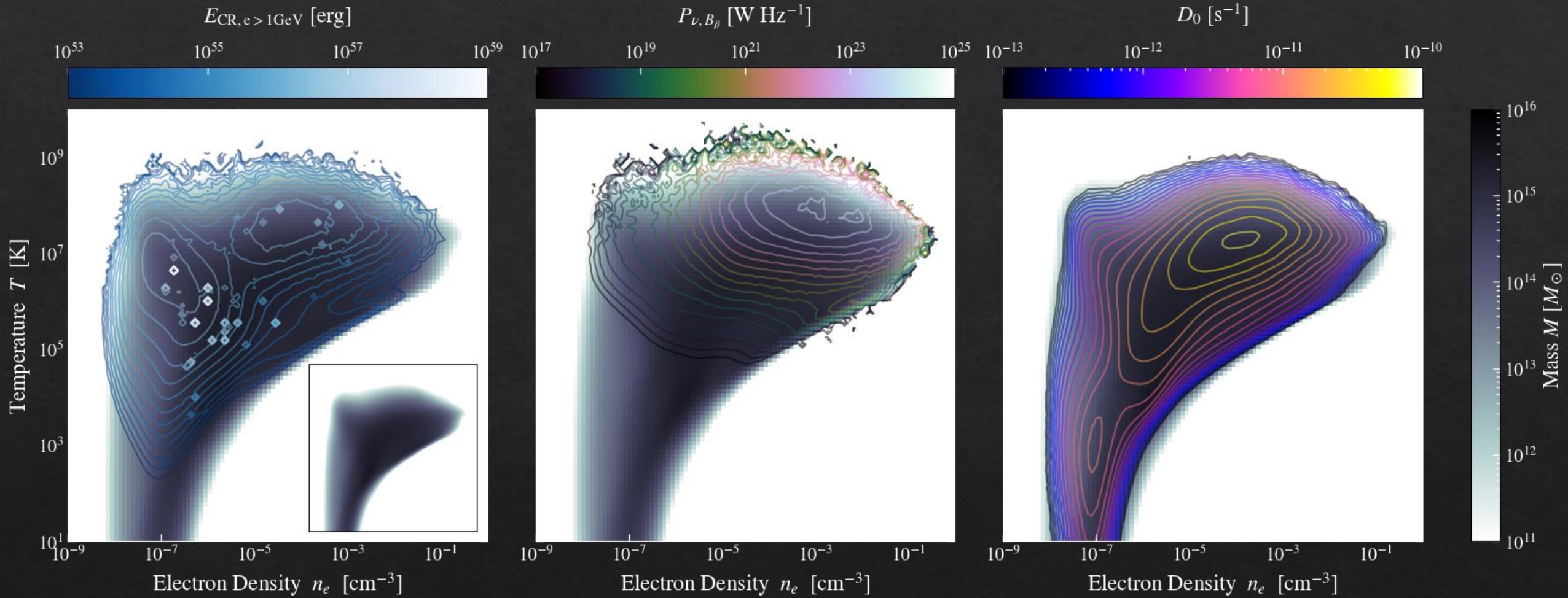


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Two injection regions, but currently only one emission region!

Can turbulent re-acceleration change this picture?





# CR Injection

- On-the-fly shock finder
- Fraction of shock energy converted to CRs
- Fraction dependent on:
  - Mach number
  - Magnetic field angle
- Spectral slope dependent on shock compression
- Efficiency models:

<https://github.com/LudwigBoess/DSAModels.jl>

