

Unveiling the cosmic web through Ly α emission: an ultra-deep observation with MUSE

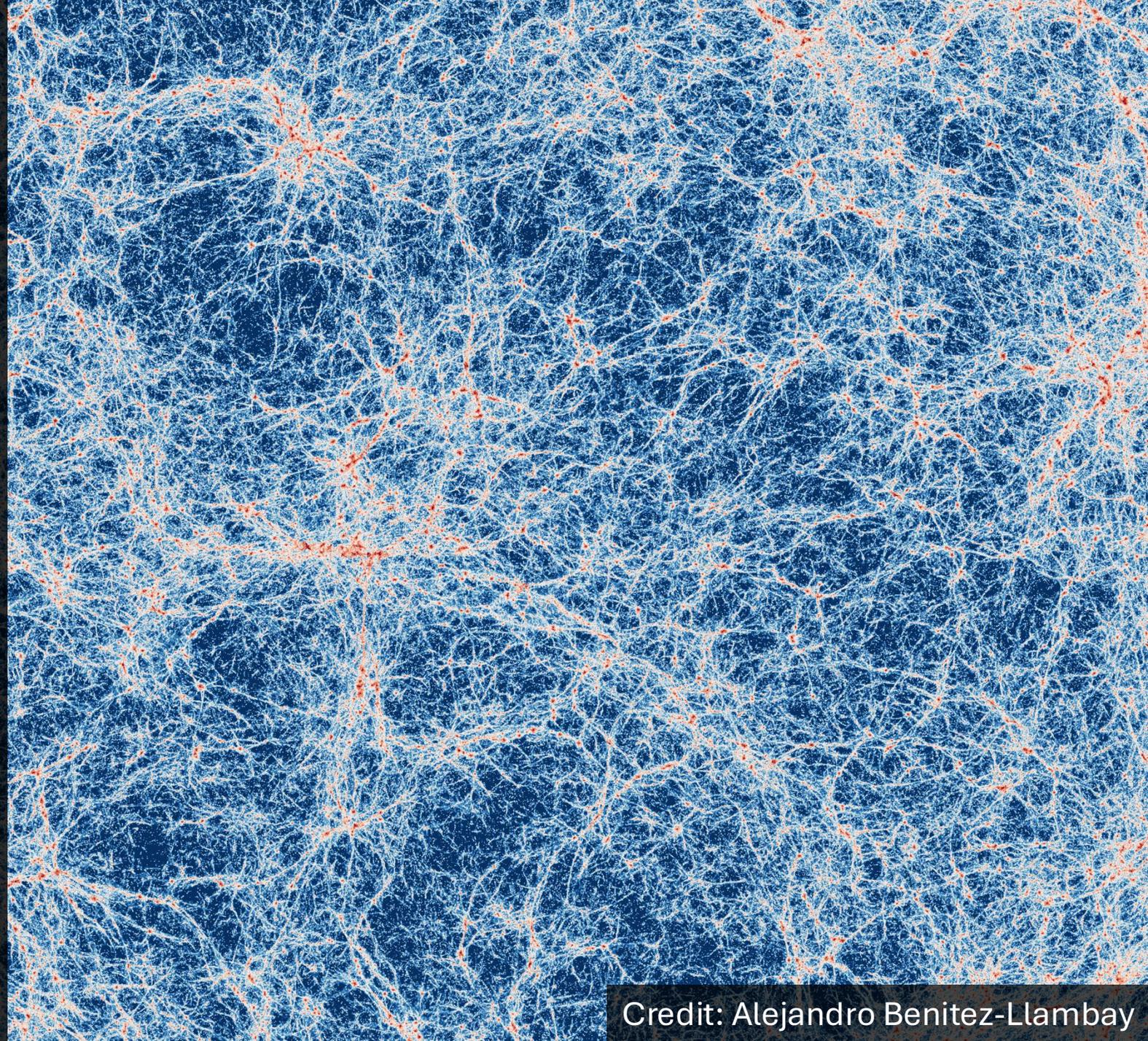
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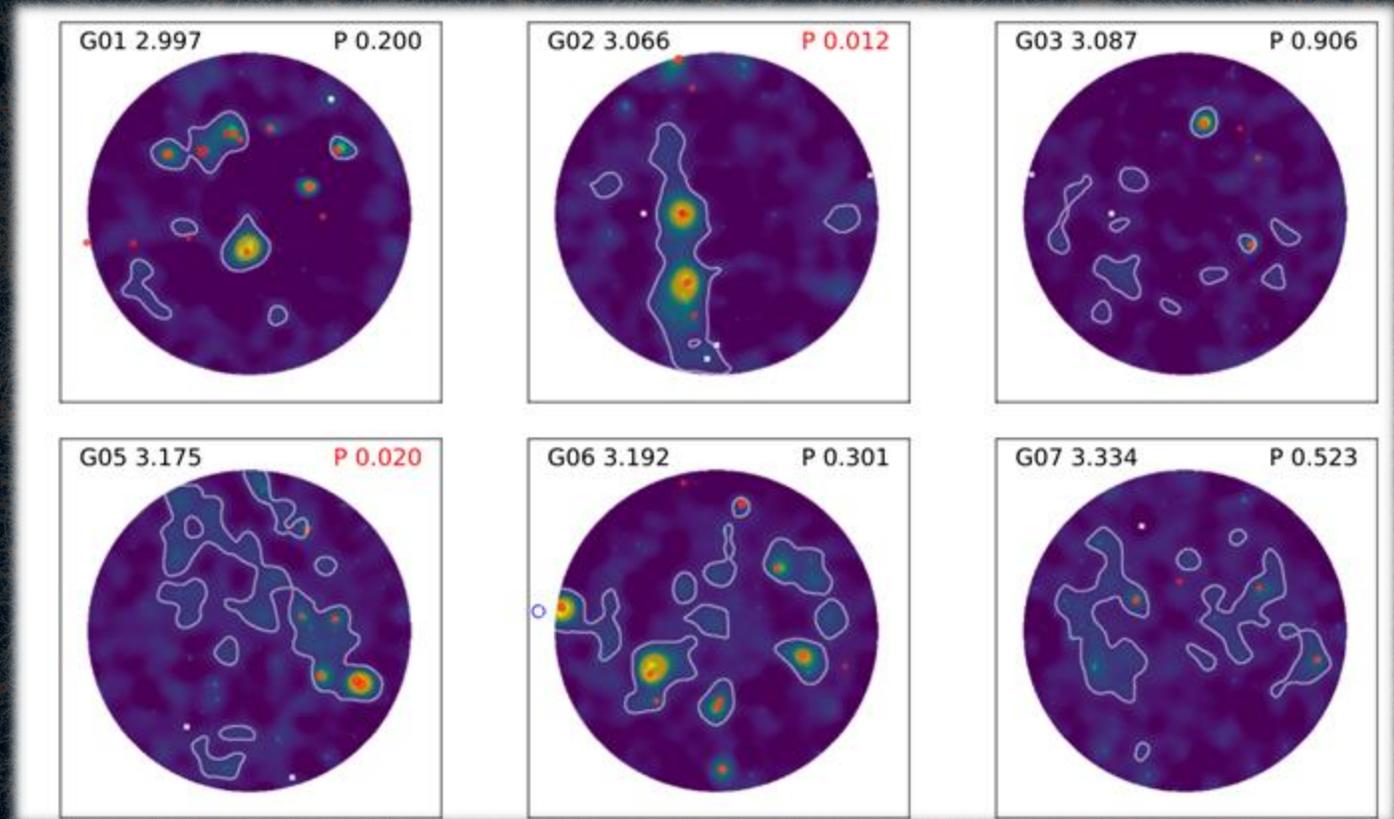
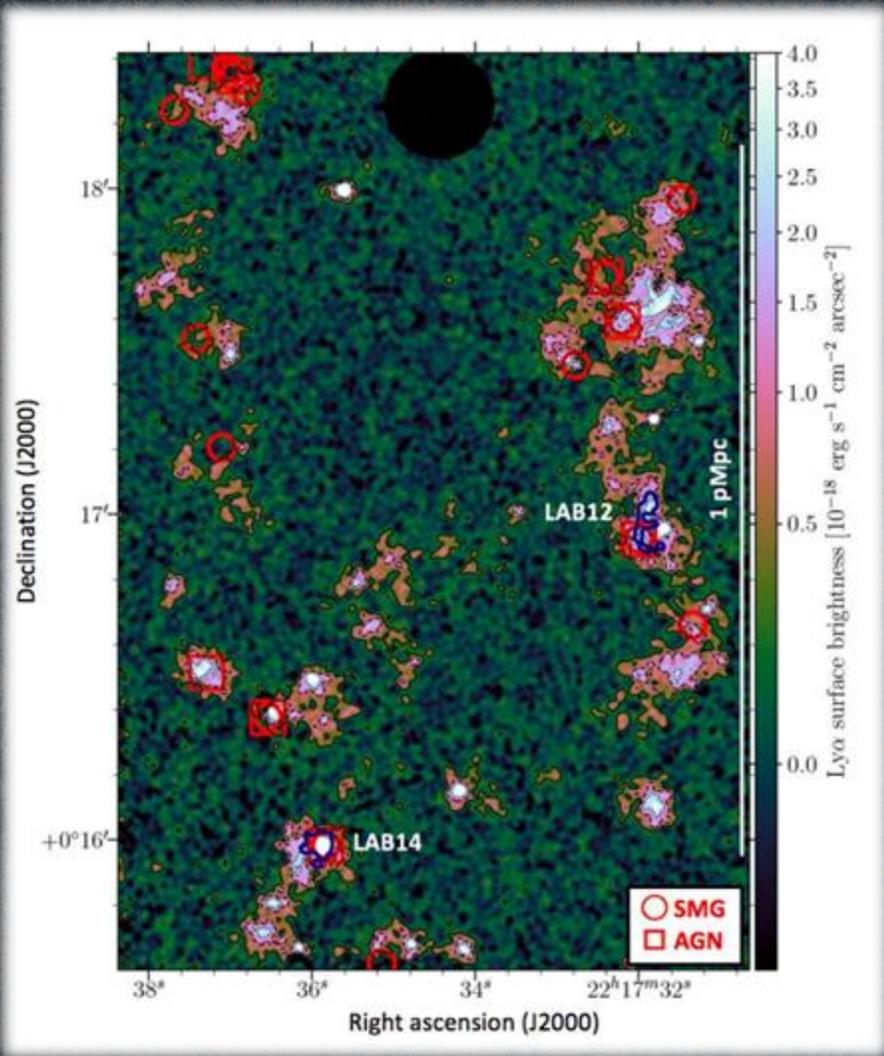


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Can we see the cosmic web in
emission at $z \sim 2 - 4$?

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The Cosmic Web in emission: known examples



MXDF – Bacon et al. 2021

SSA22 – Umehata et al. 2019

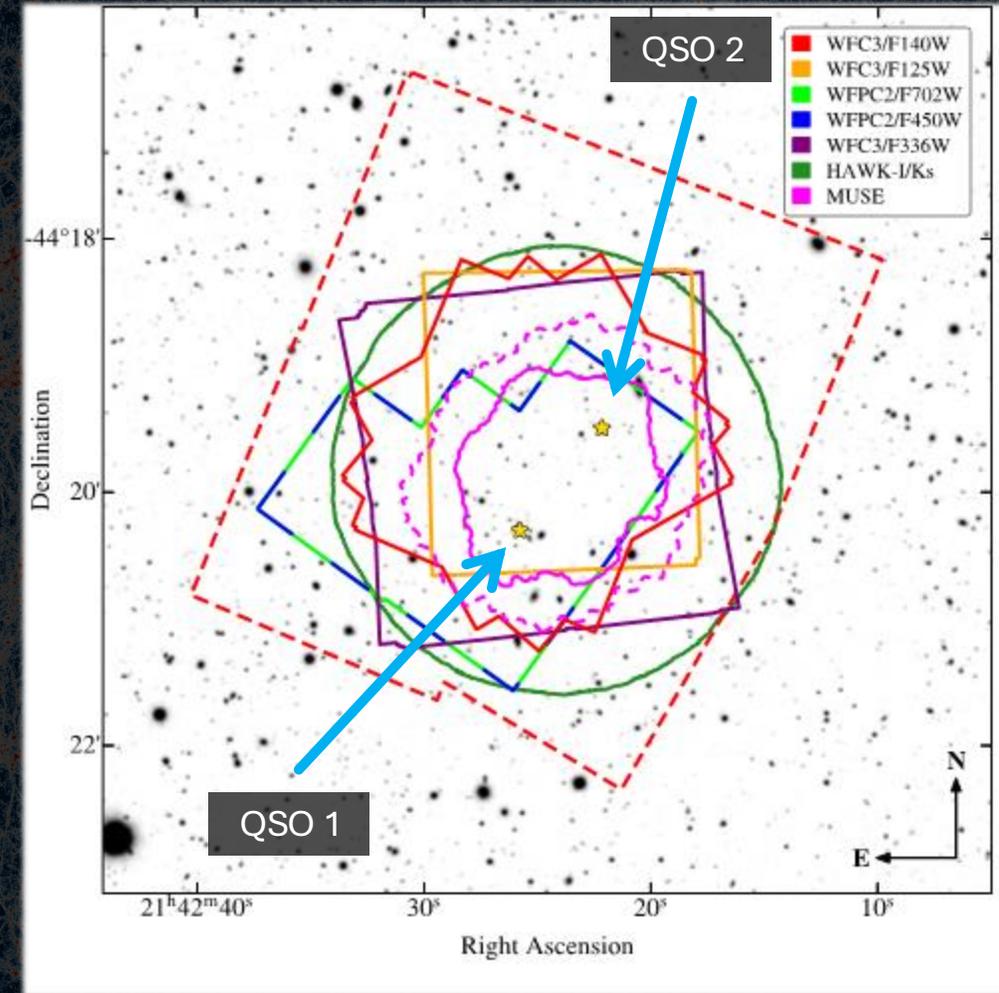
The MUSE Ultra Deep Field (MUDF)

ONE OF THE KEY GOALS:

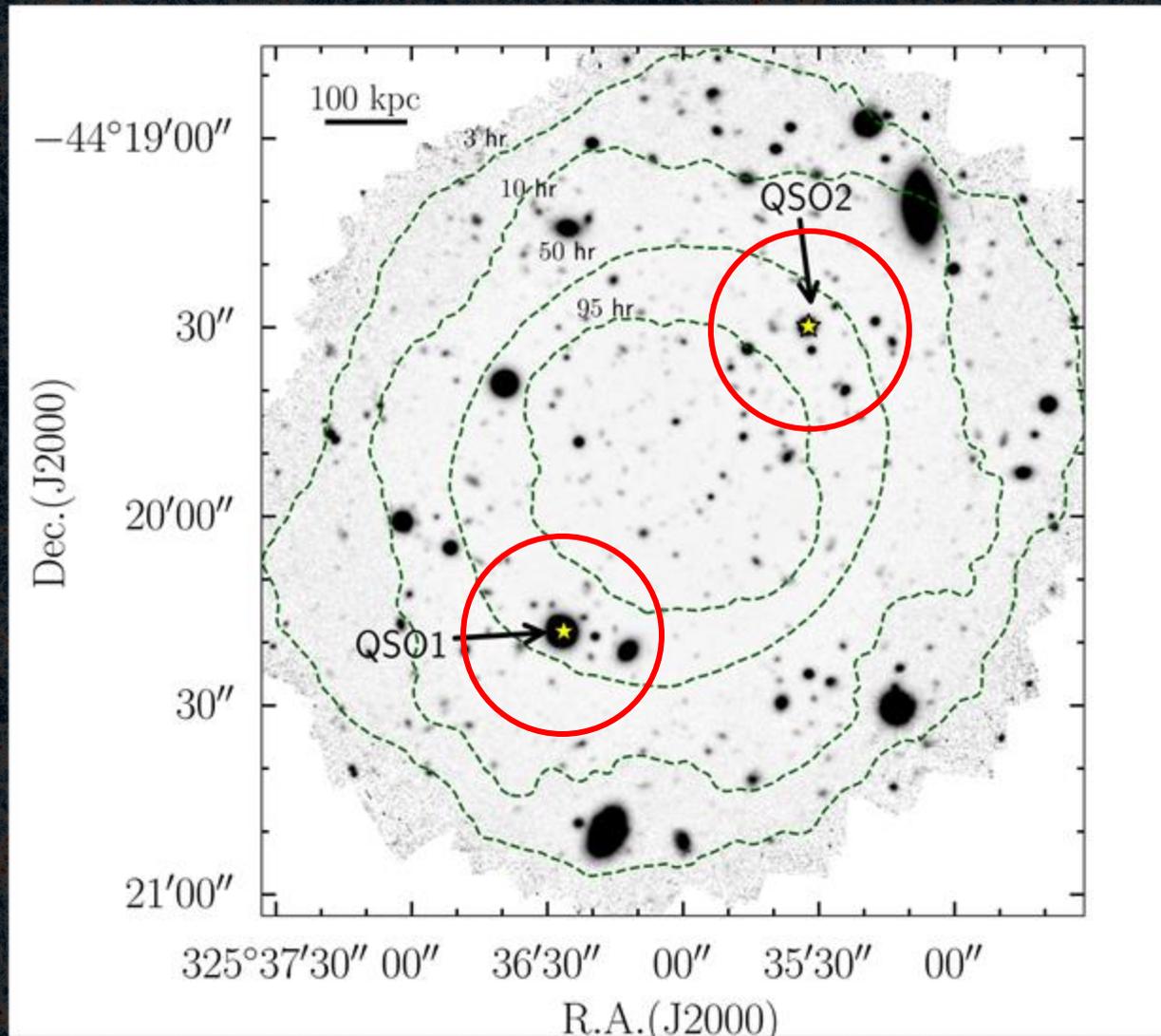
image the Ly α emission from two massive nodes at $z \approx 3.22$

Observations:

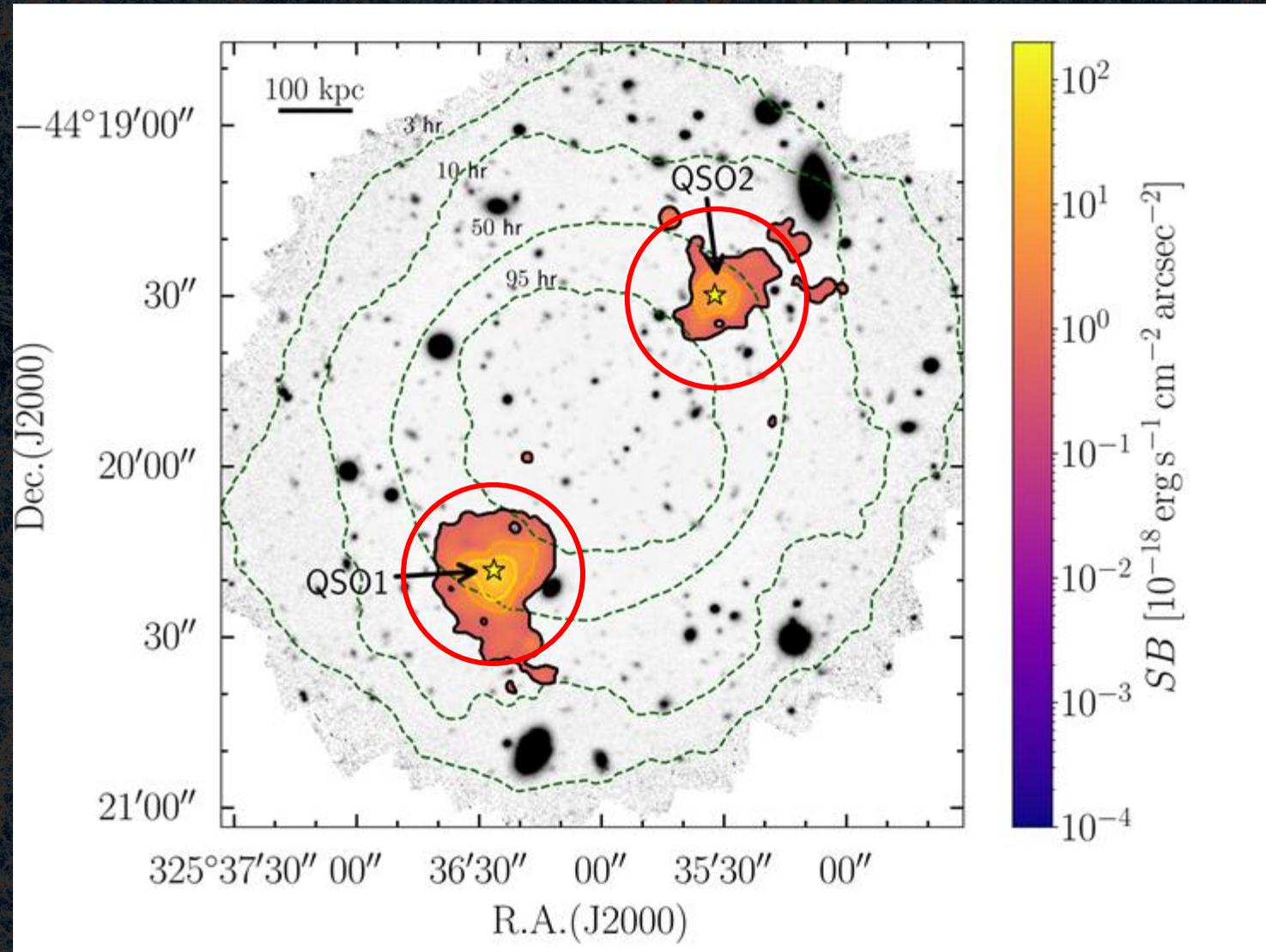
- **142h MUSE** (PI Fumagalli) similar to the MUSE GTO MXDF;
- 90 orbits HST WFC3 G141 spectroscopy ;
+ F125W, F140W imaging (PI Rafelski);
- 8 orbits HST UV imaging (PI Fossati);
- 30h UVES QSO spectroscopy (PI D'Odorico);
- 27h HAWK-I K-band imaging (PI Fossati);
- ALMA Band 3 and 6 programs (PI Fumagalli, Pensabene).



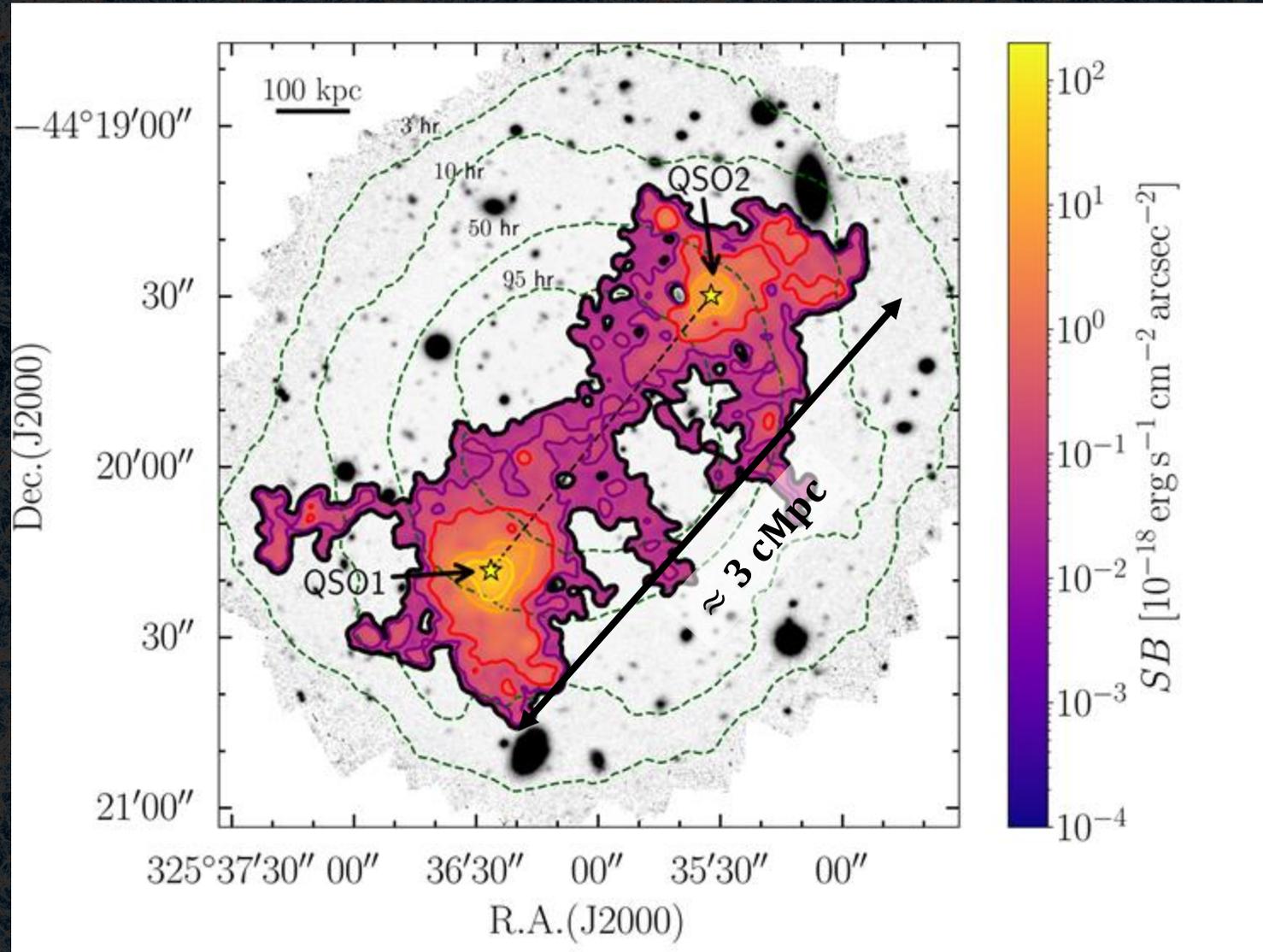
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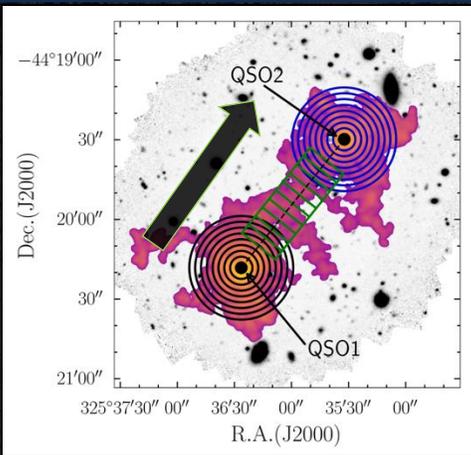
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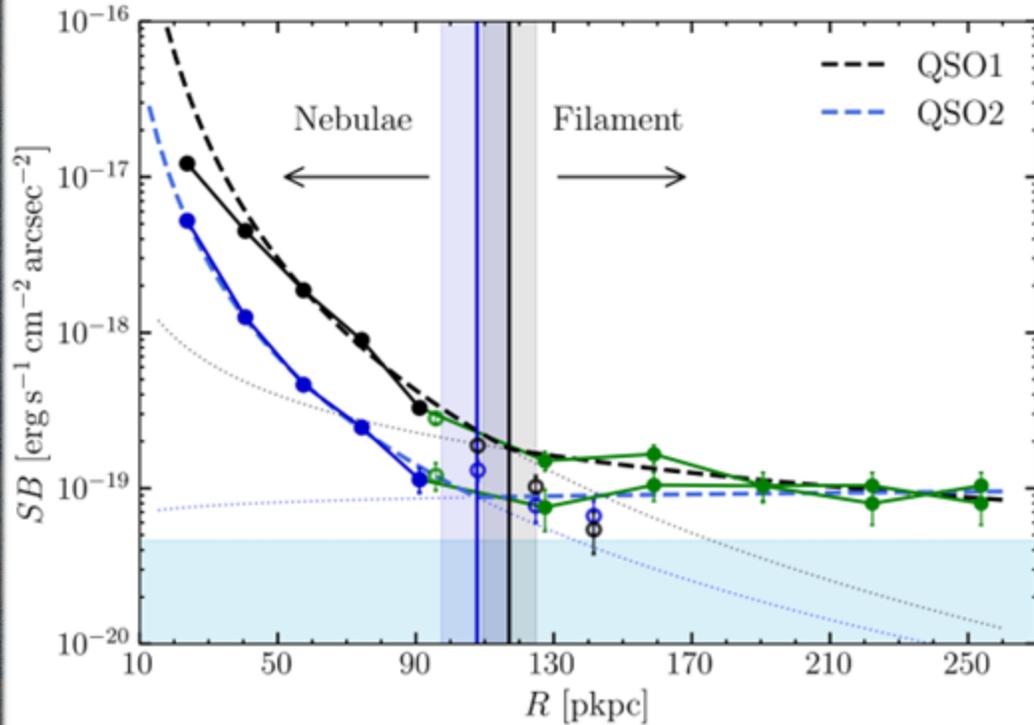
Detection of a cosmic filament between the QSO pair



Measurements of the filament SB profiles



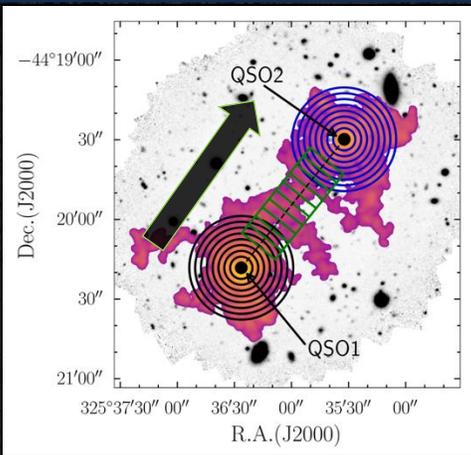
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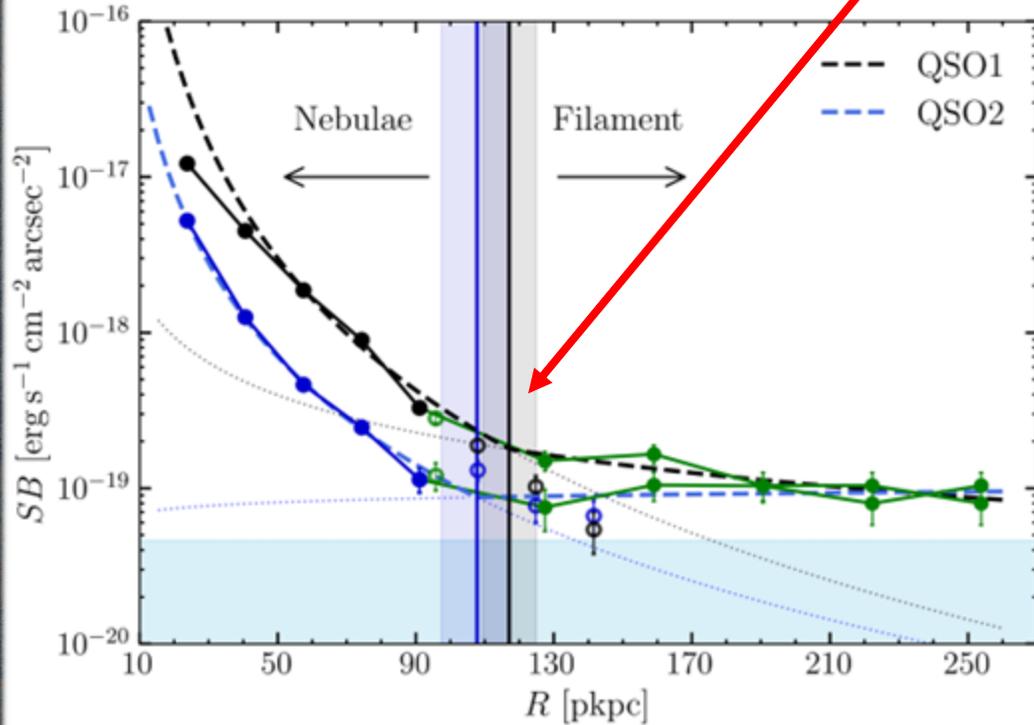
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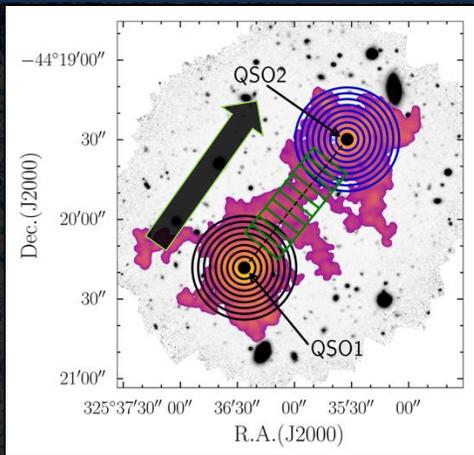
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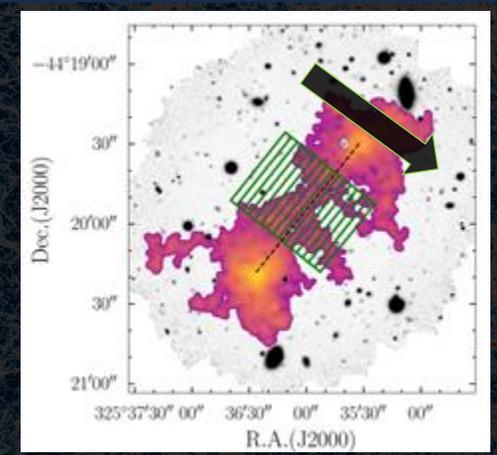


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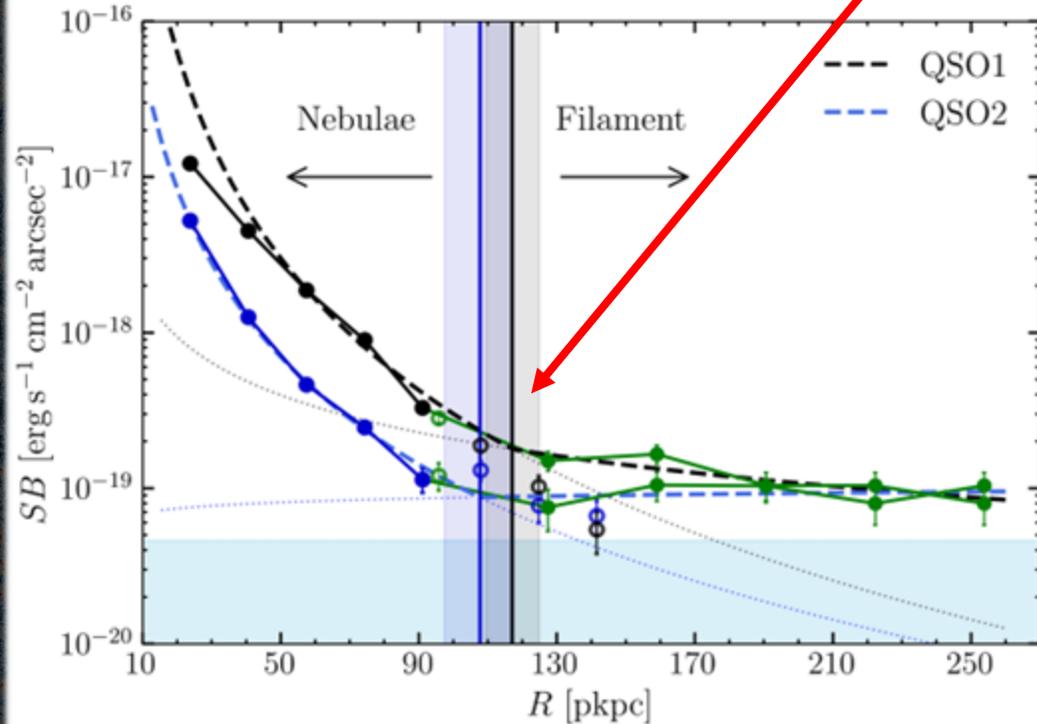


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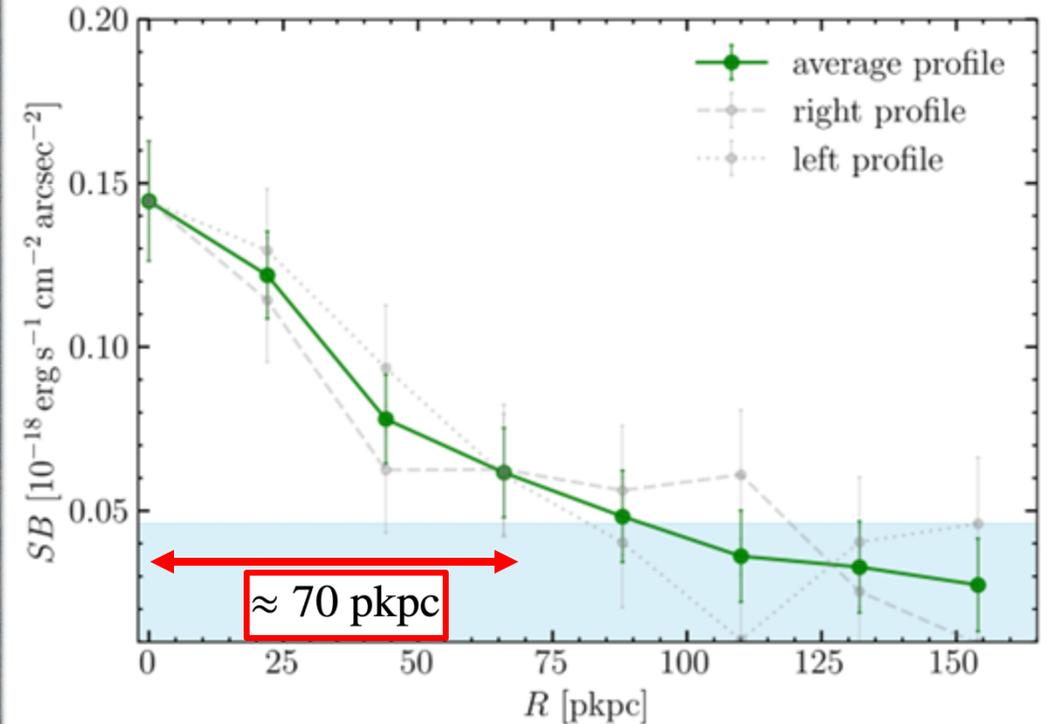
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Profile *perpendicular* to the filament



Constraining the filament density with numerical simulations

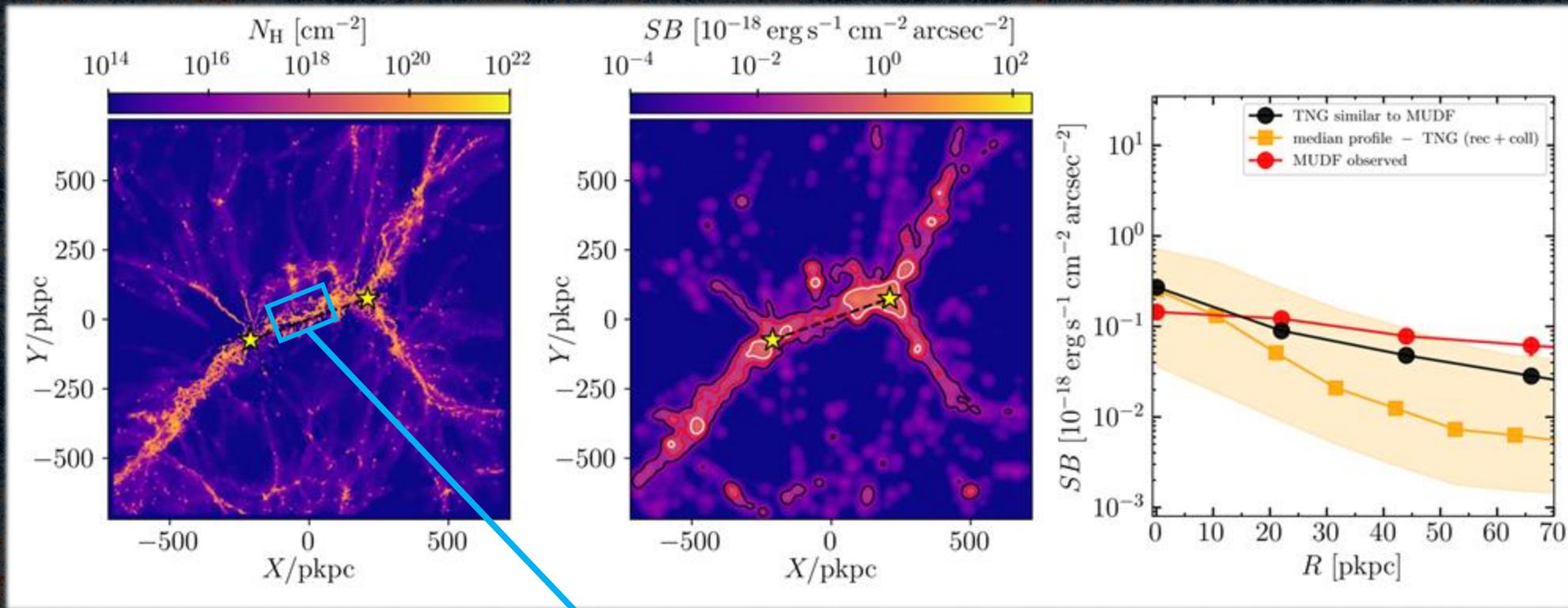
$$\text{QSO1: } \log\left(\frac{M_h}{M_\odot}\right) = 12.9 \pm 0.3$$

$$\text{QSO2: } \log\left(\frac{M_h}{M_\odot}\right) = 12.2 \pm 0.4$$

Typical halo mass from L-Galaxies SAM with advanced QSO recipes (Izquierdo-Villalba et al. 2020)

L - GALAXIES

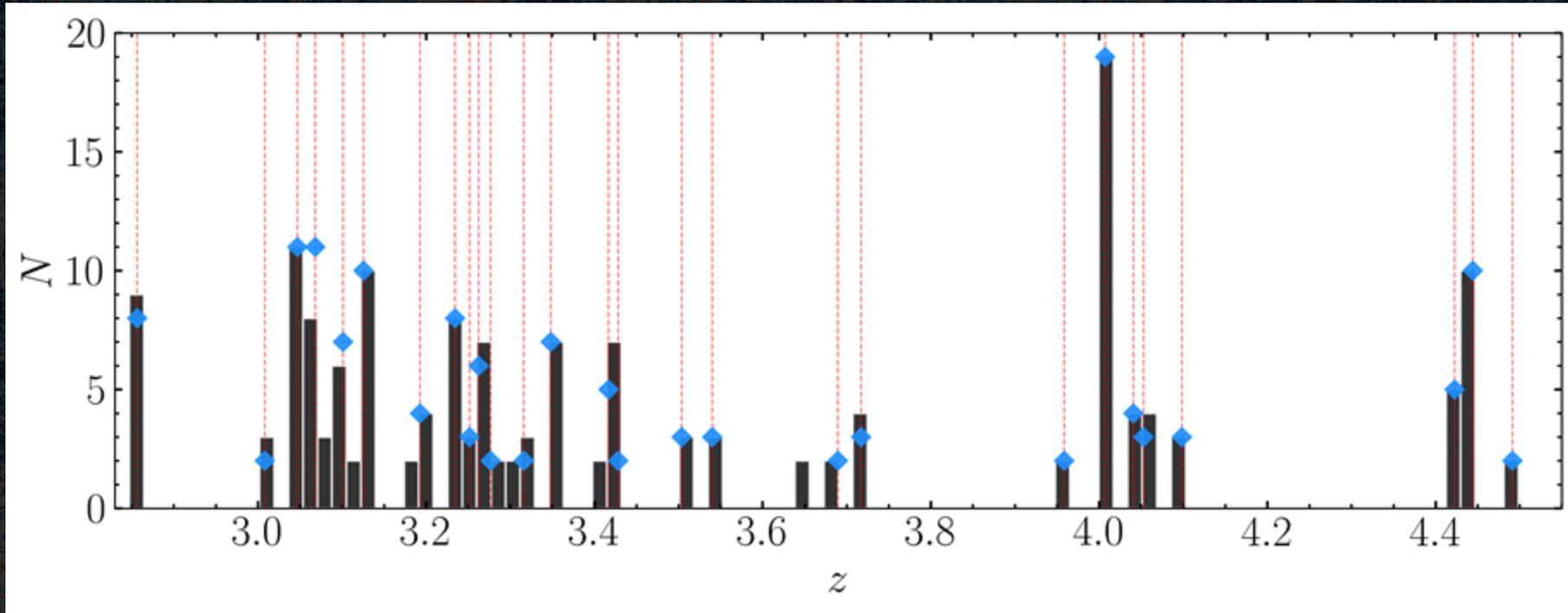
Comparison with TNG-100



$$n_H^{\text{IGM}} \approx 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

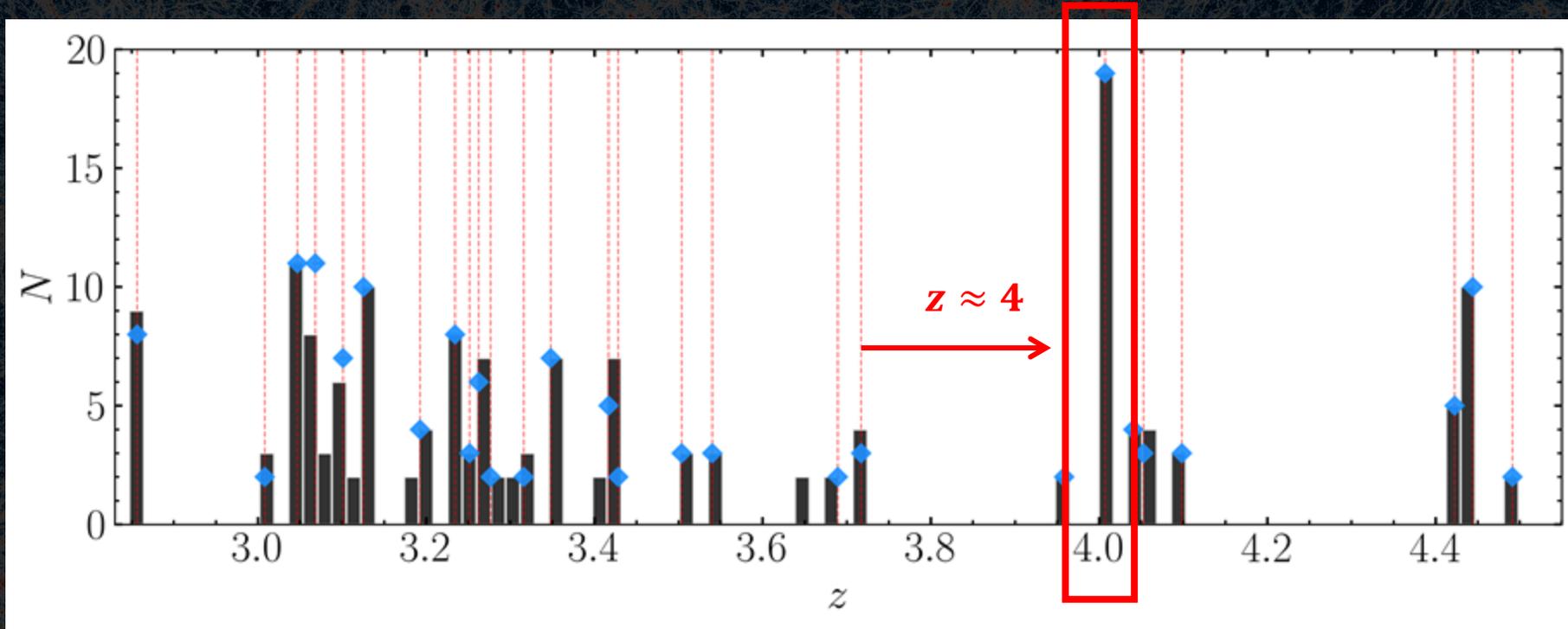
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various **overdensities** (up to ~ 25) where search for extended Ly α emission tracing
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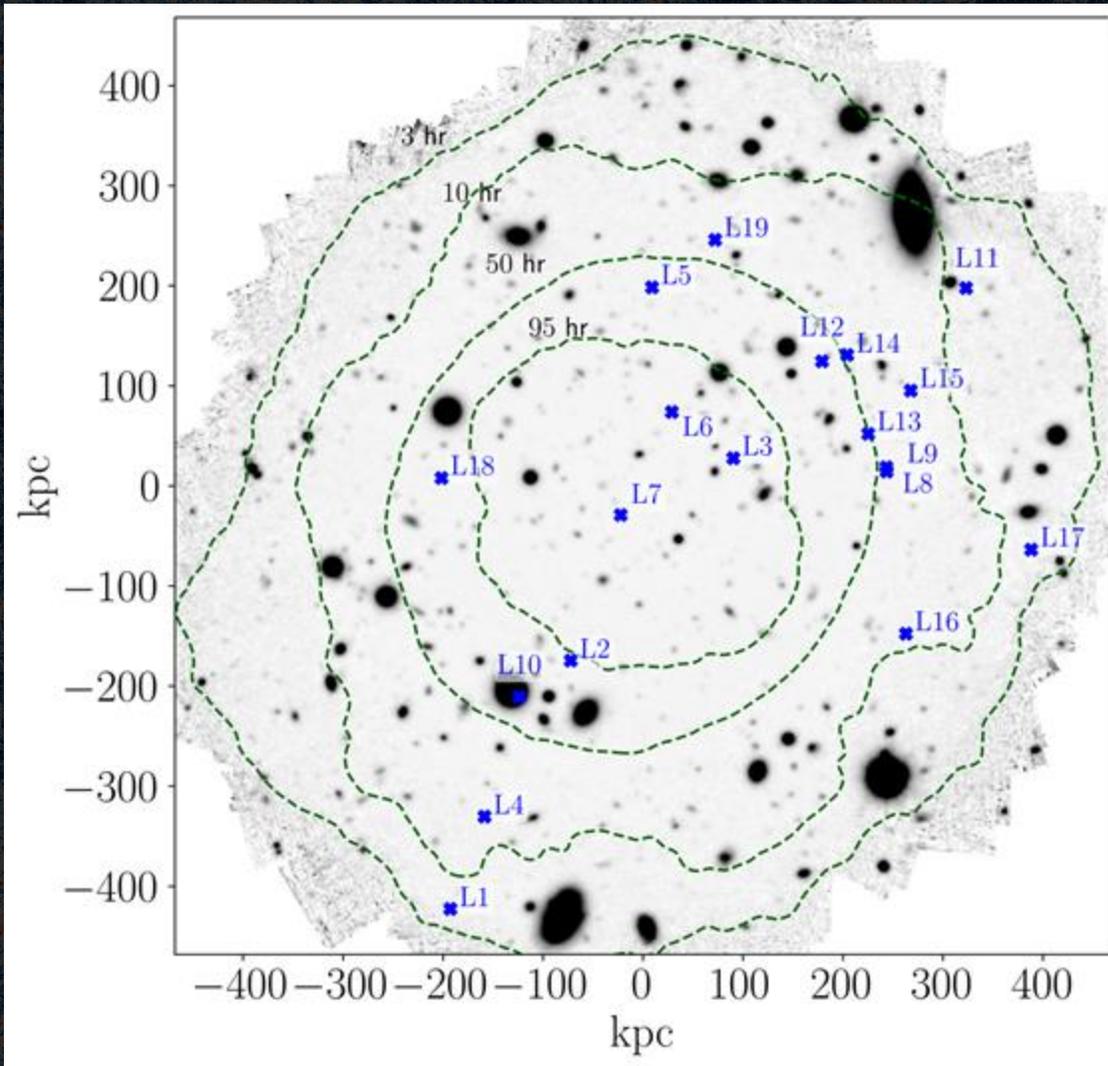


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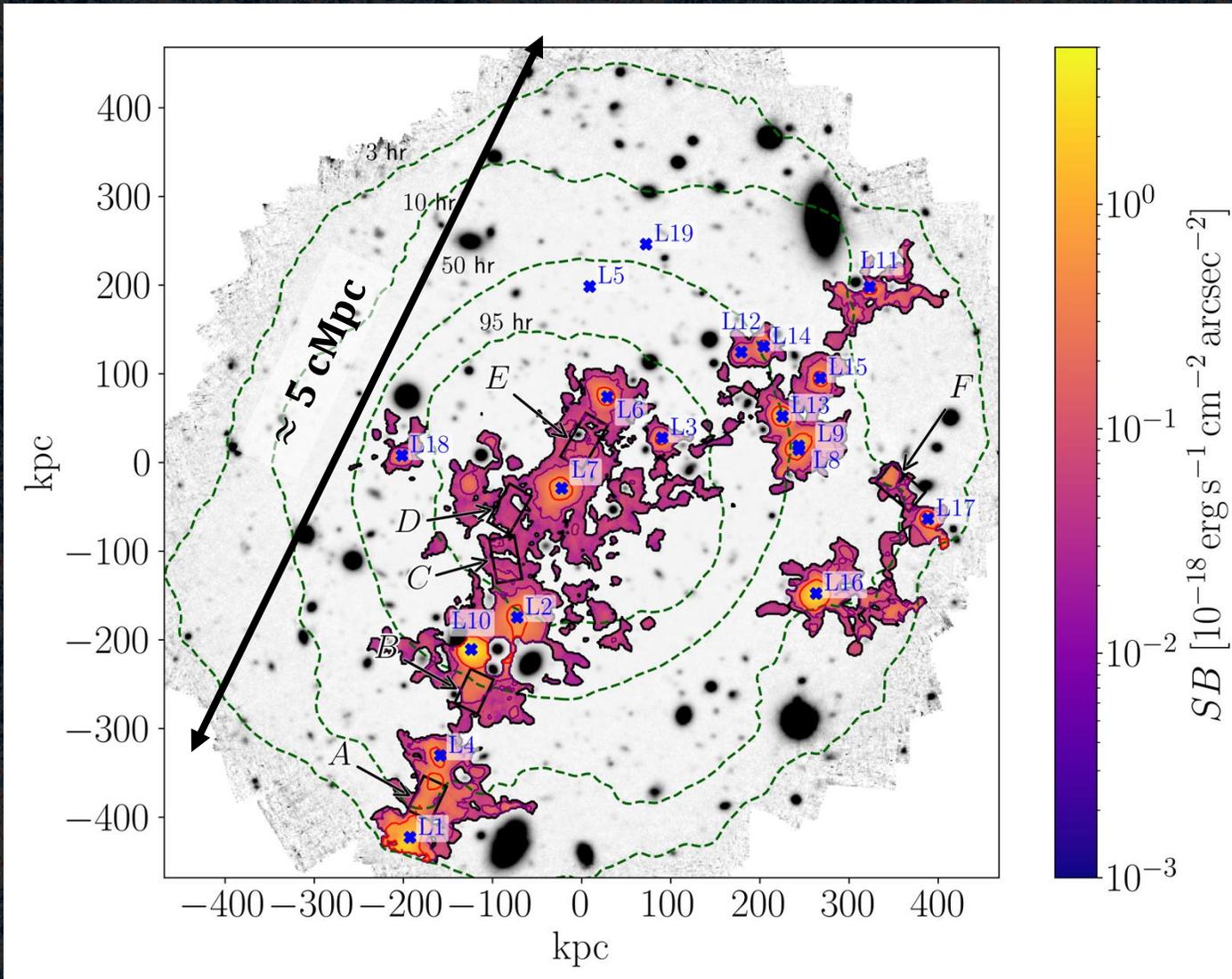
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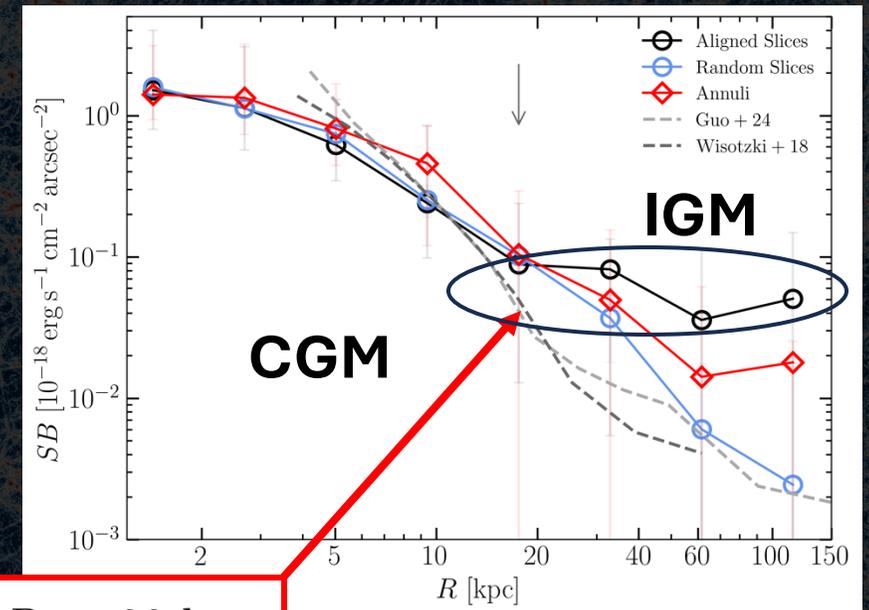
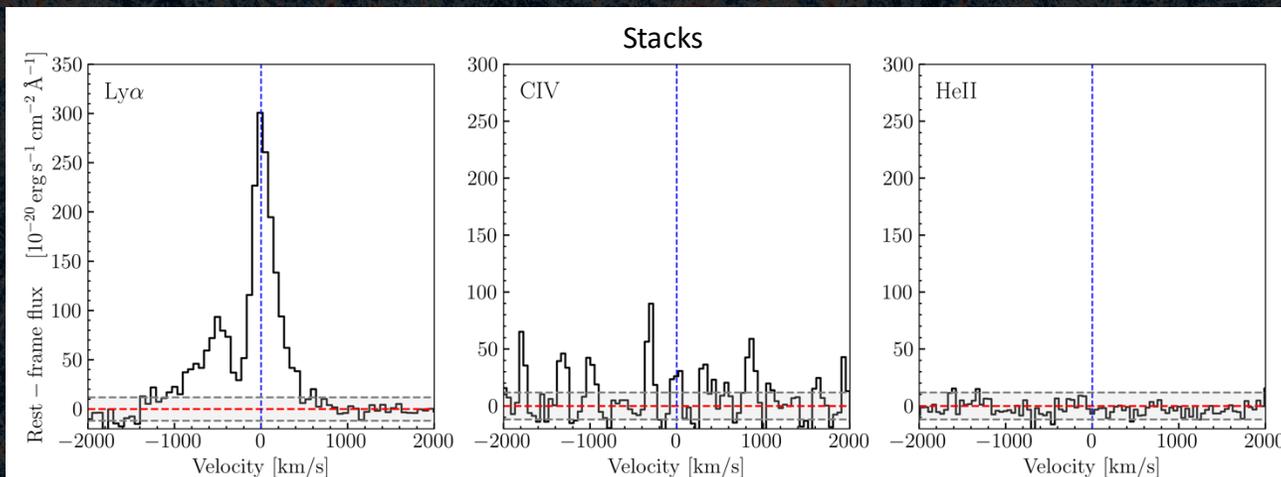
LAEs embedded in the filament $z \sim 4$

AGN activity?

No clear evidence of AGNs intrinsic surface brightness **similar** to the $z \sim 3.2$ example near quasars

Evidence of **inflection point** in the SB profiles

→ transition between CGM and IGM

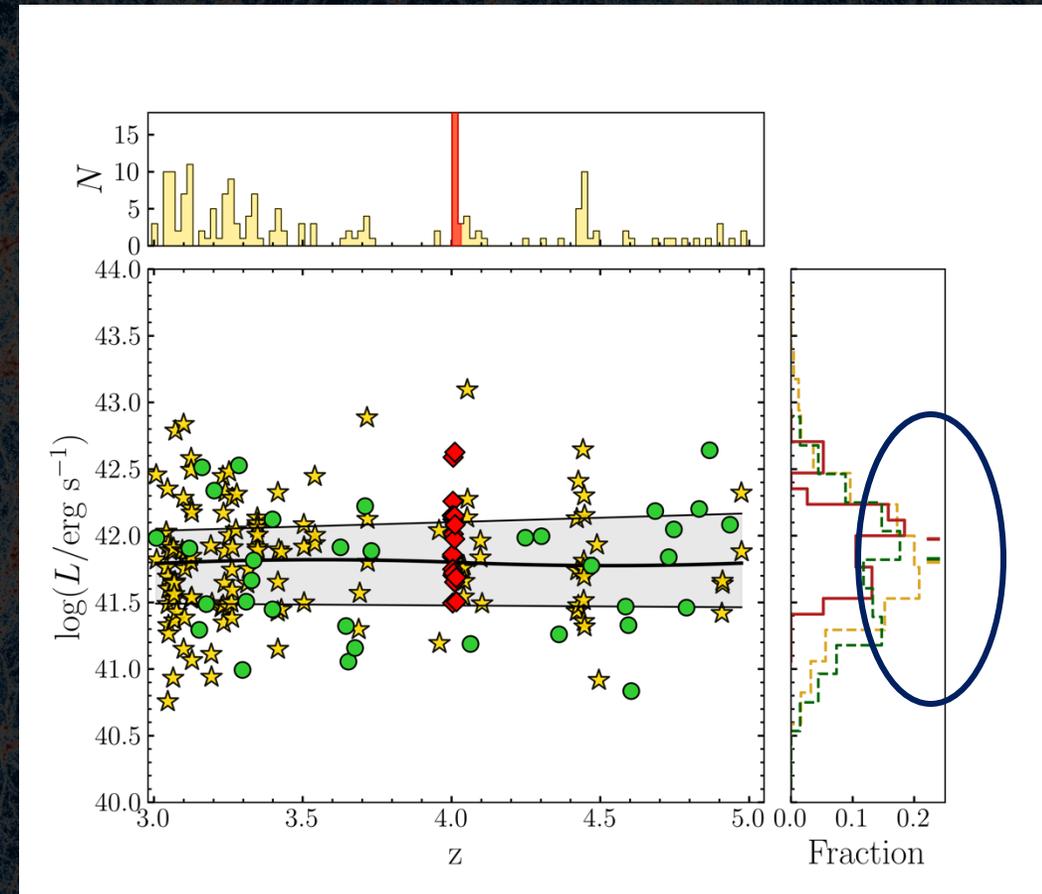
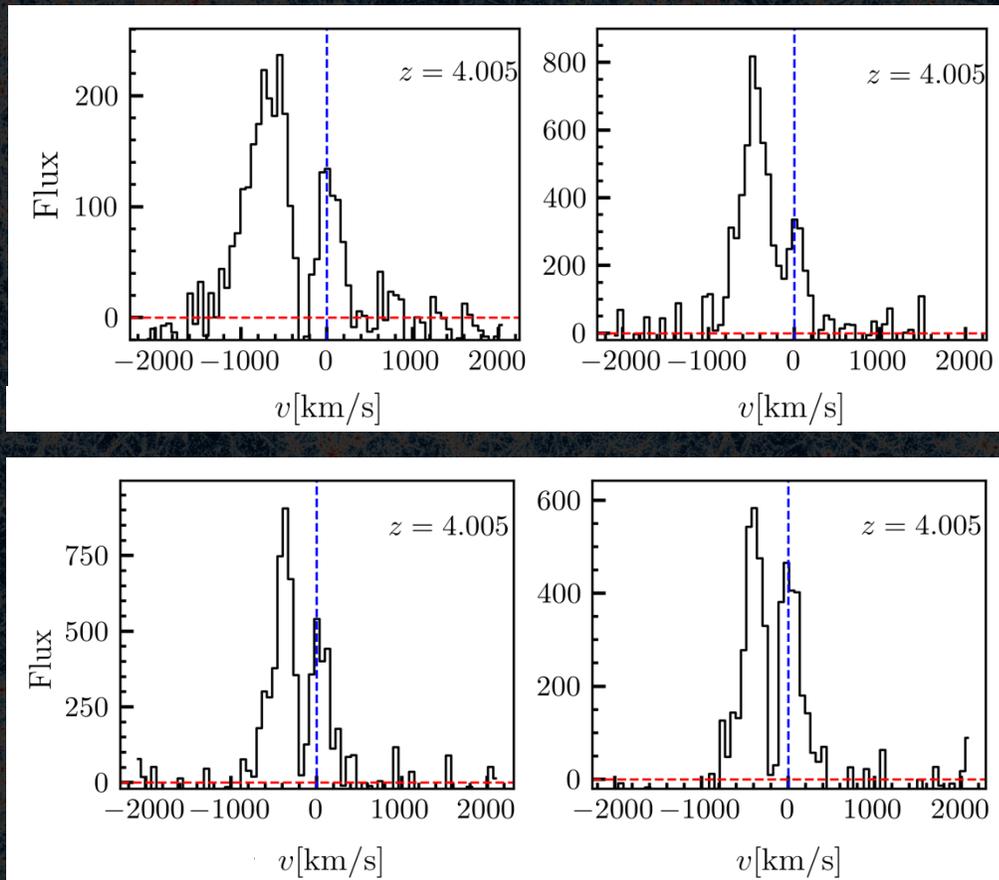


$R_t \approx 20 \text{ kpc}$

Is the presence of overdensities and dense gas more relevant than the radiation field?

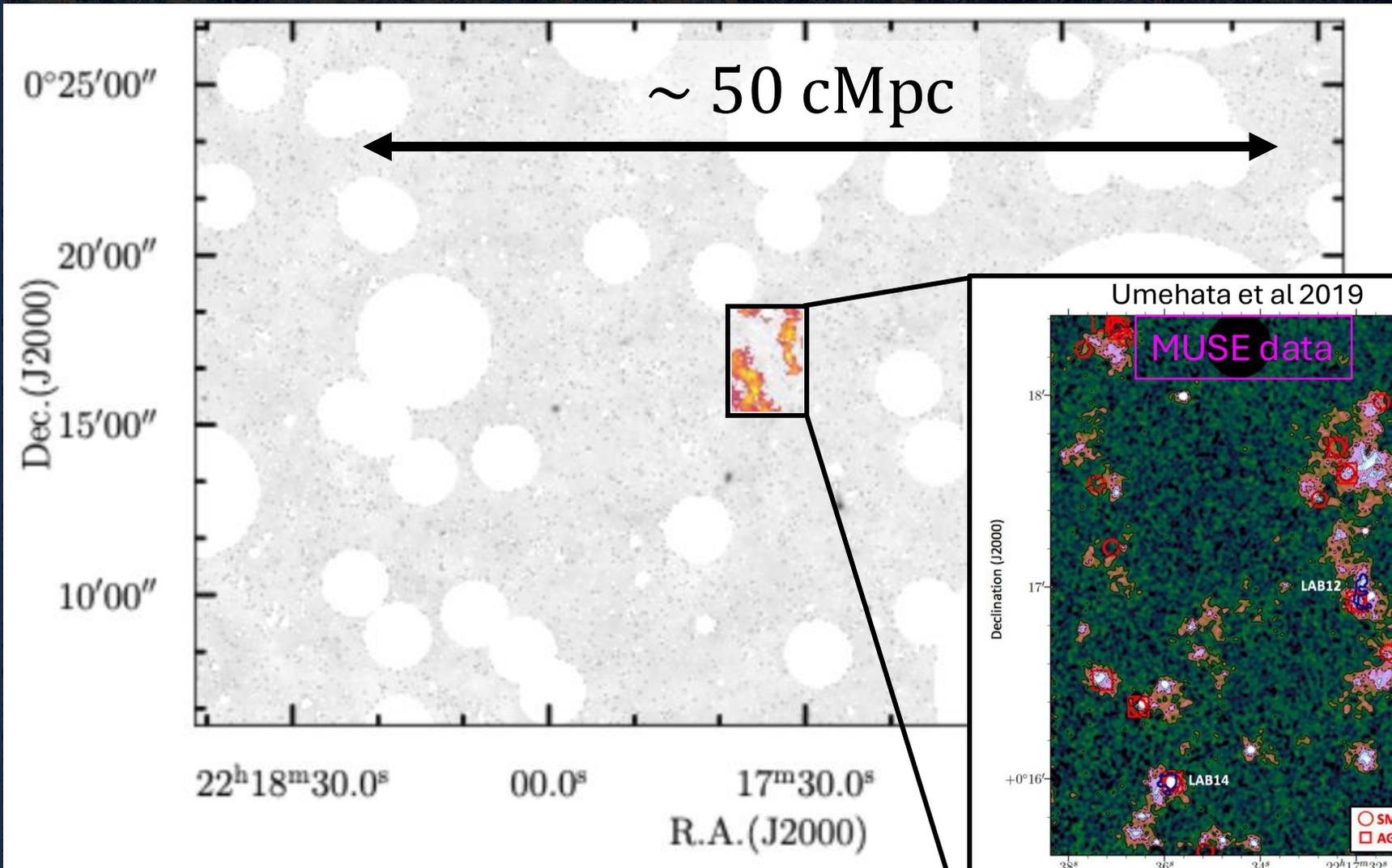
A population of active galaxies fuelled by prominent accretion?

7/19 (~37 %) show double-peaked profiles and 5/7 are blue peaked



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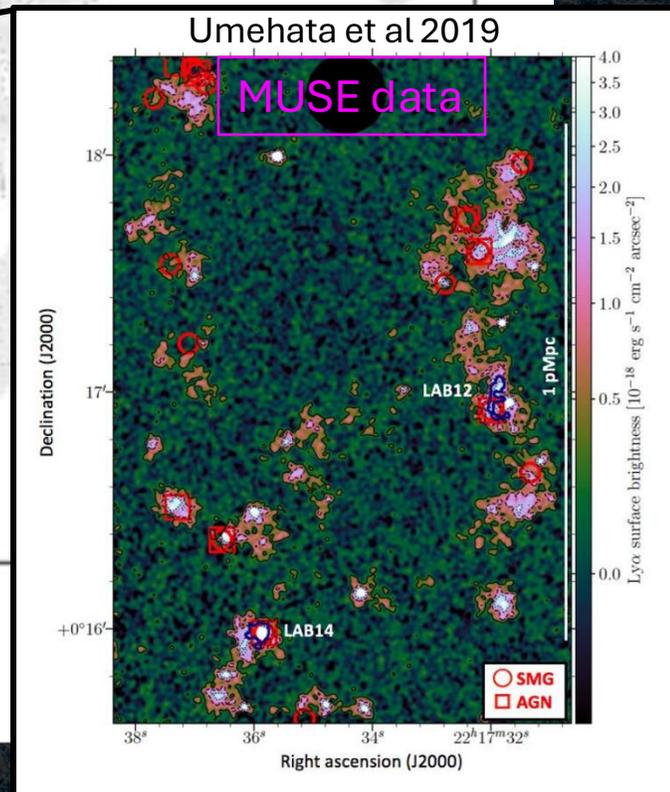
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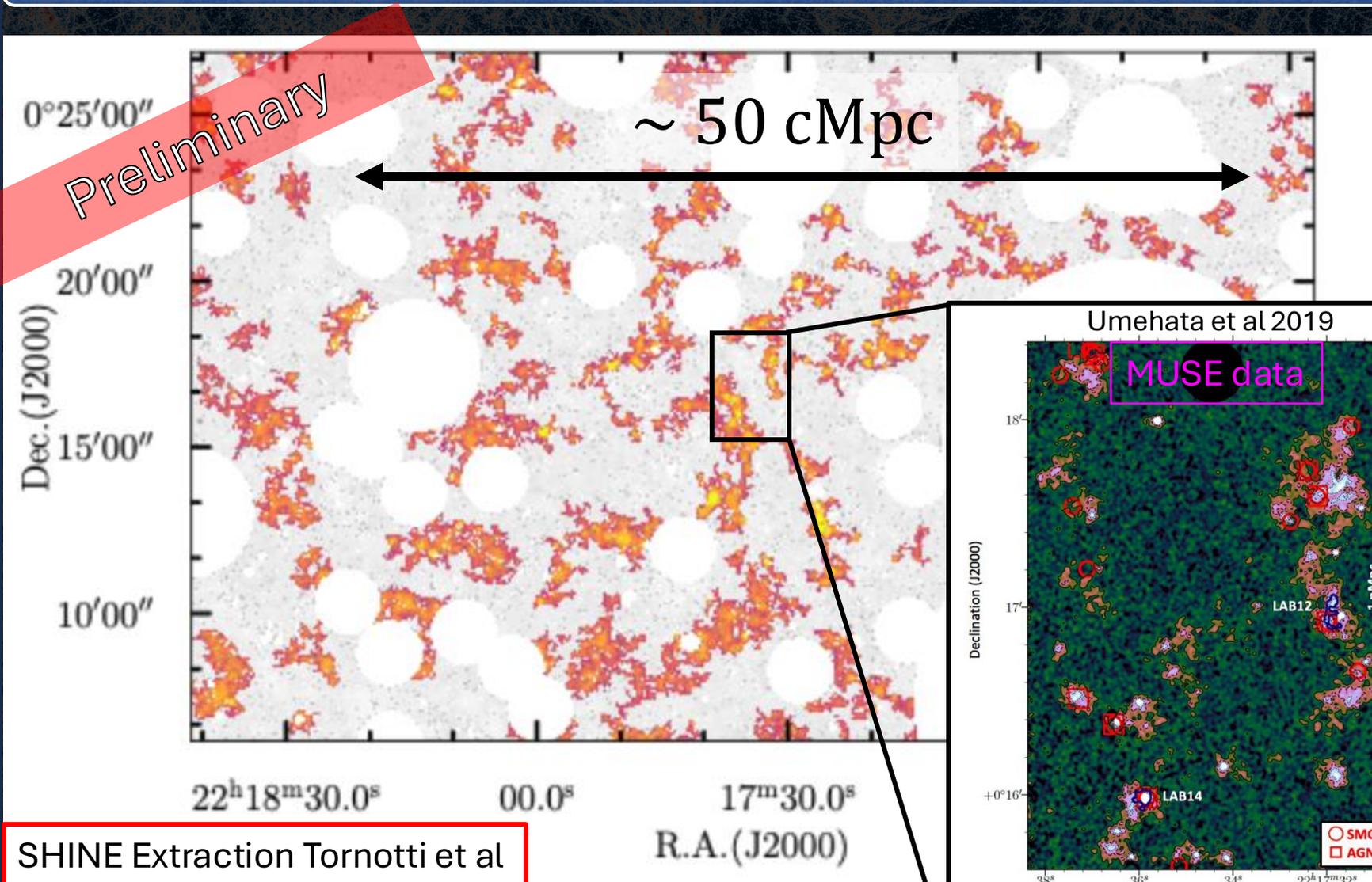
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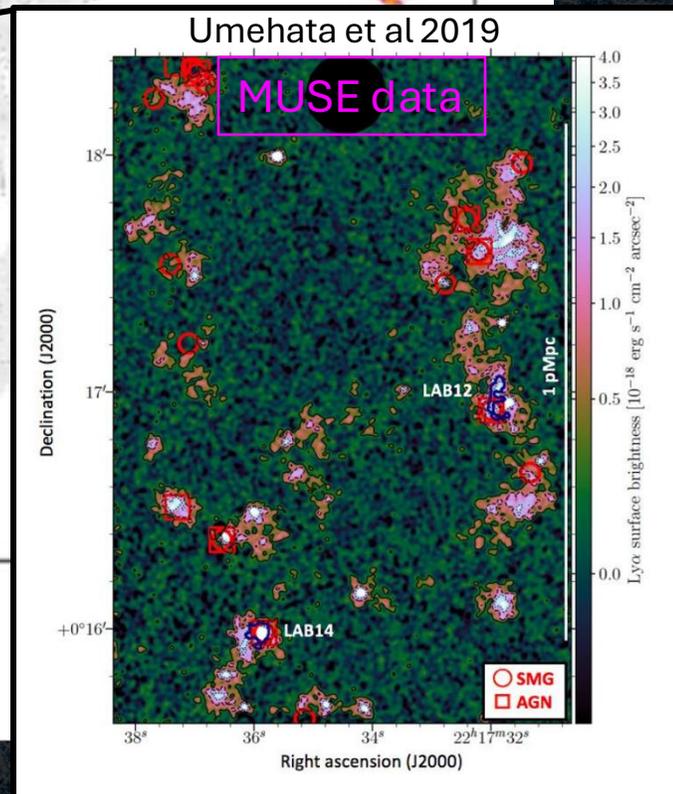
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○ Filament's morphology on cosmological scales. Test dark matter models?

○ SB \leftrightarrow Overdensity?

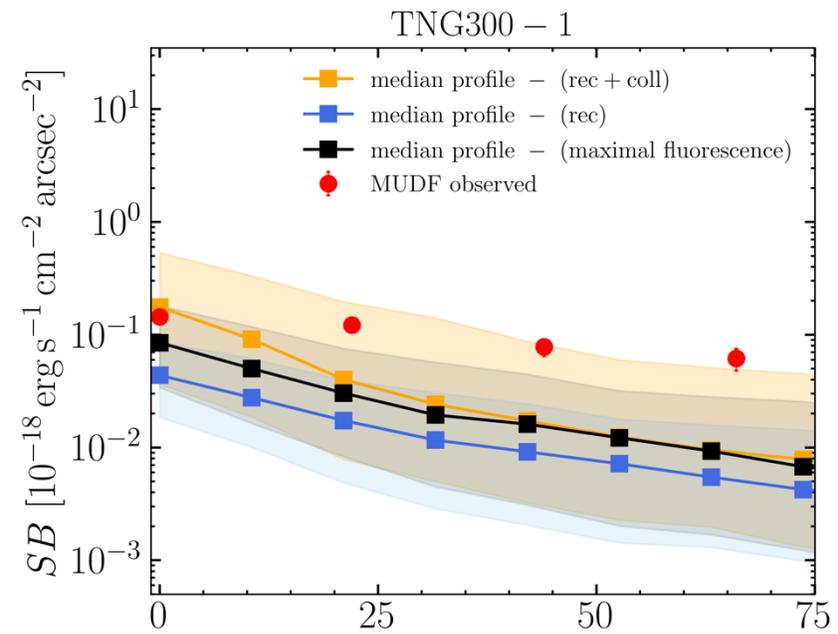
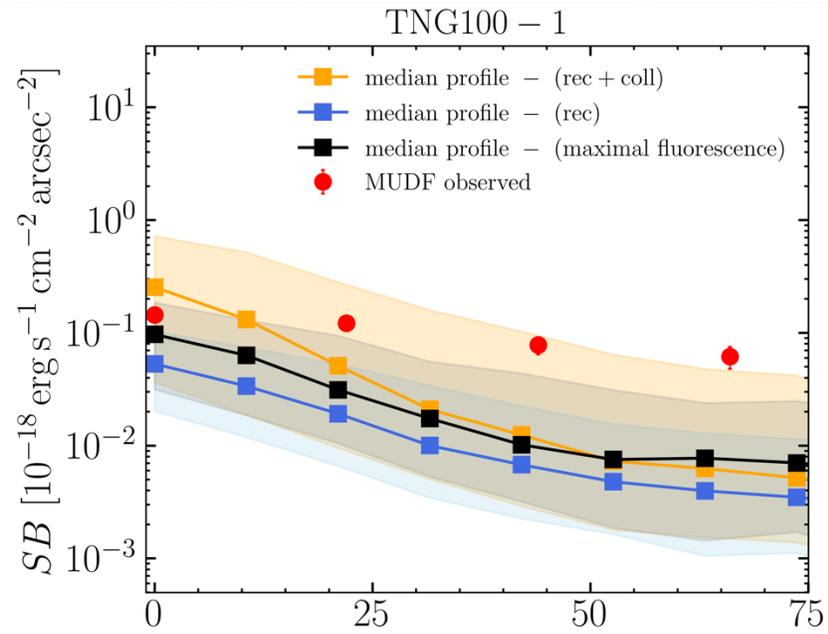
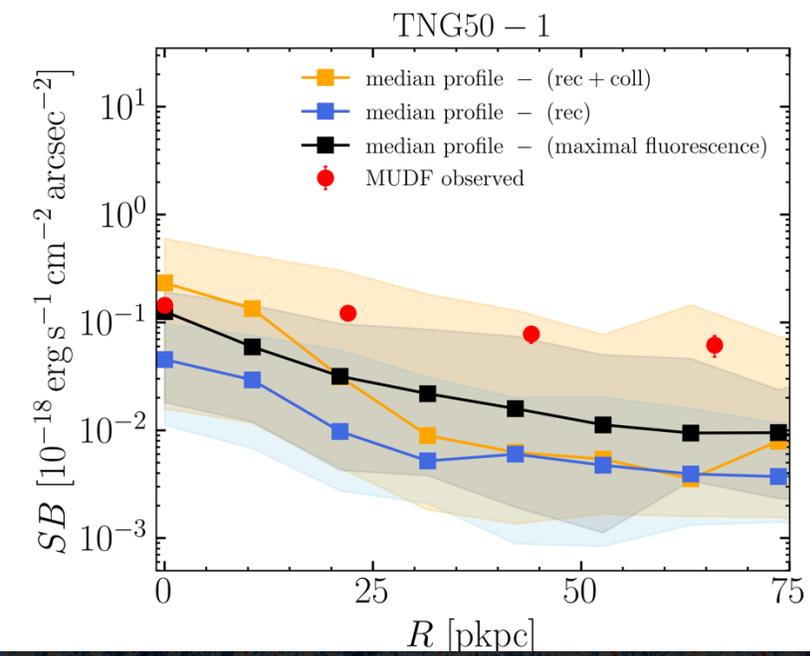
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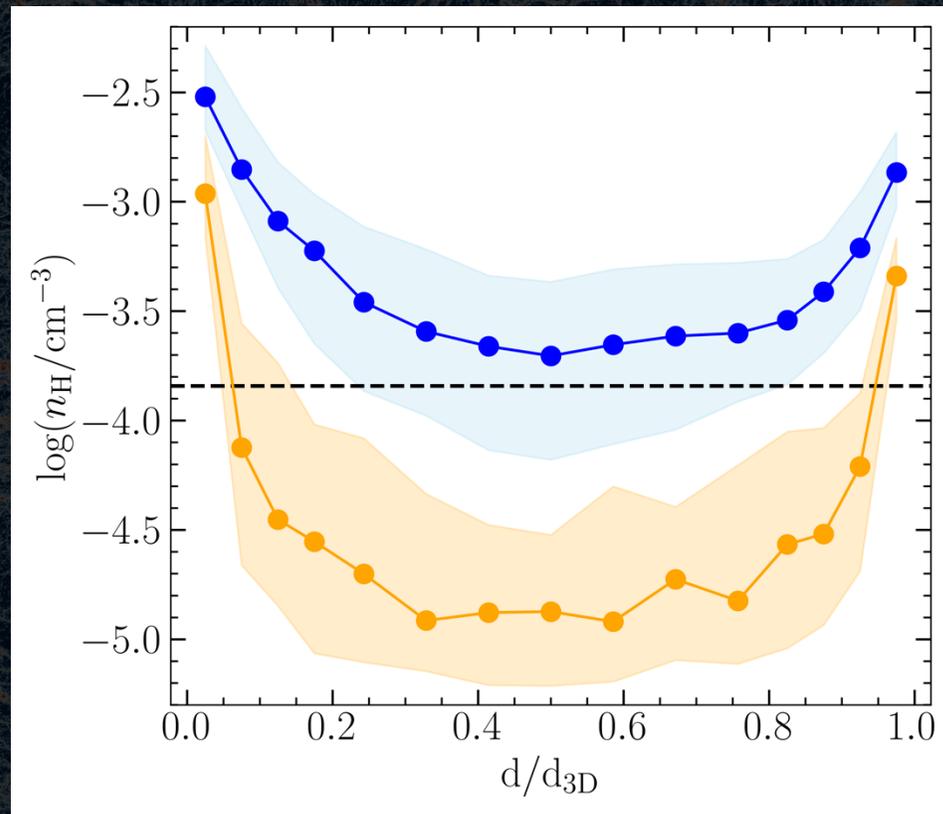
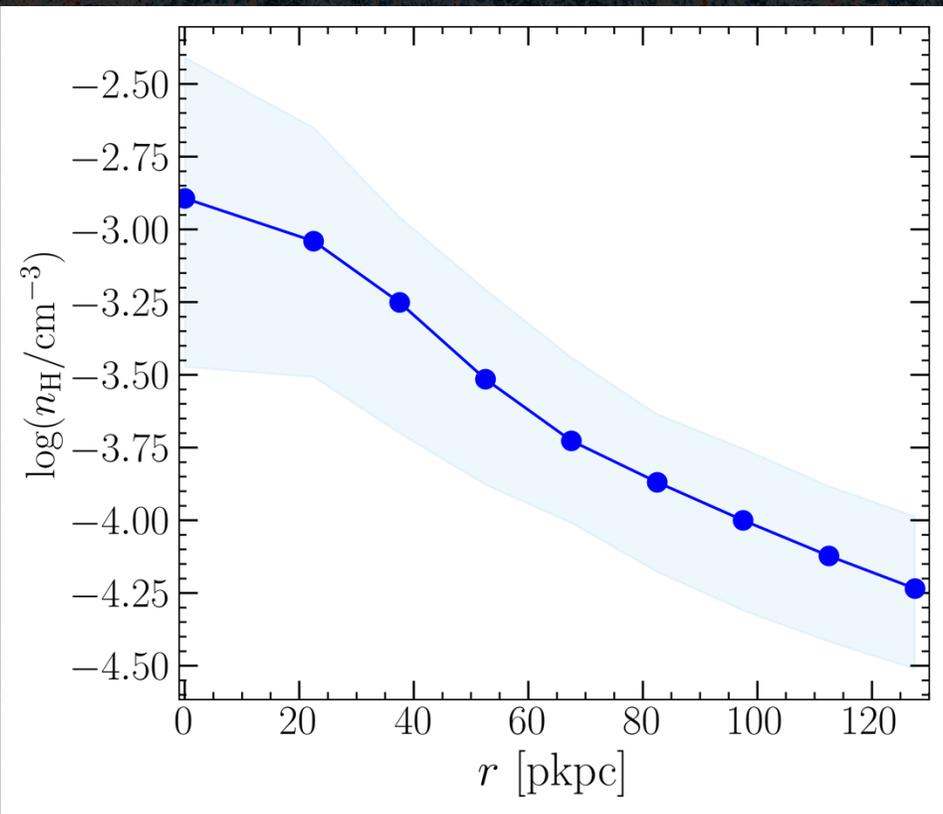
- The MUSE Deep Fields have unlocked the ability to study cosmic filaments on scales of the pMpc;
- We can now start to probe different environments (QSOs → LAEs) across different redshifts ($z \approx 3 - 4$);
- This breakthrough opens a completely new window, allowing us to start compiling ***samples*** of filaments and begin constraining their properties statistically;

Thanks for your attention!

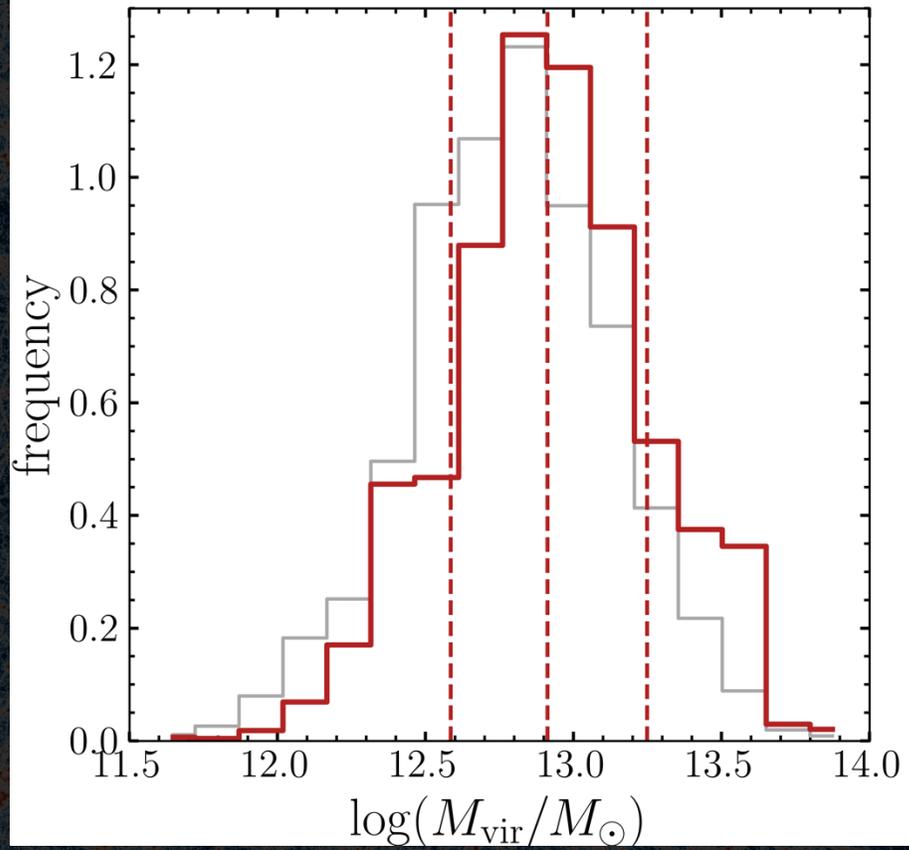
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Supplementary Slides

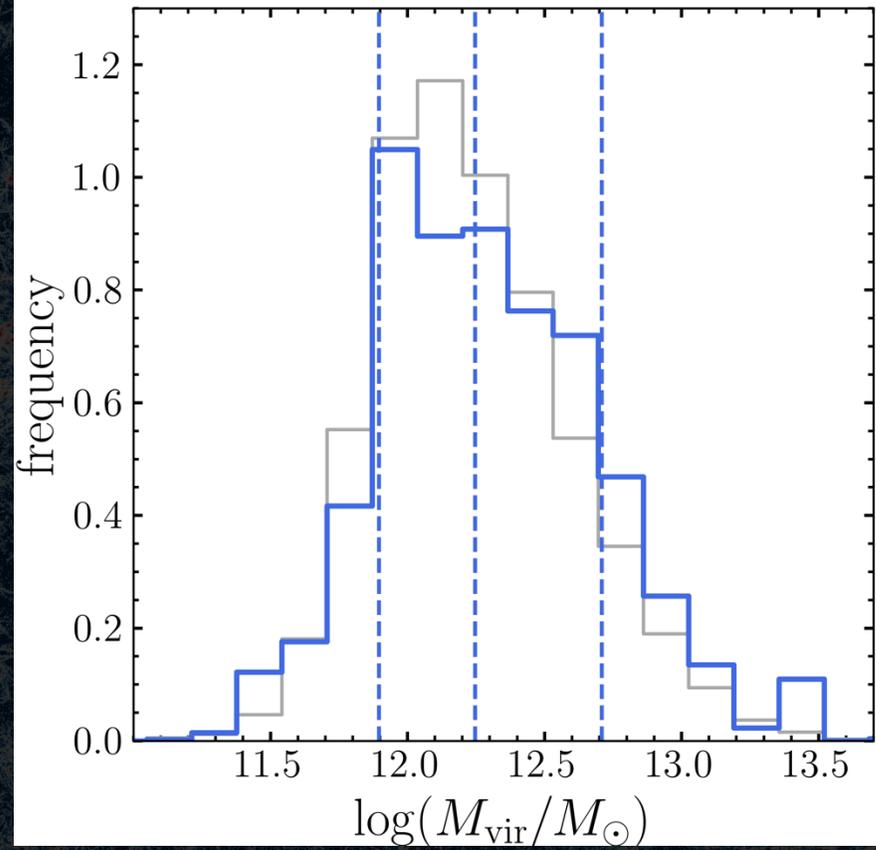


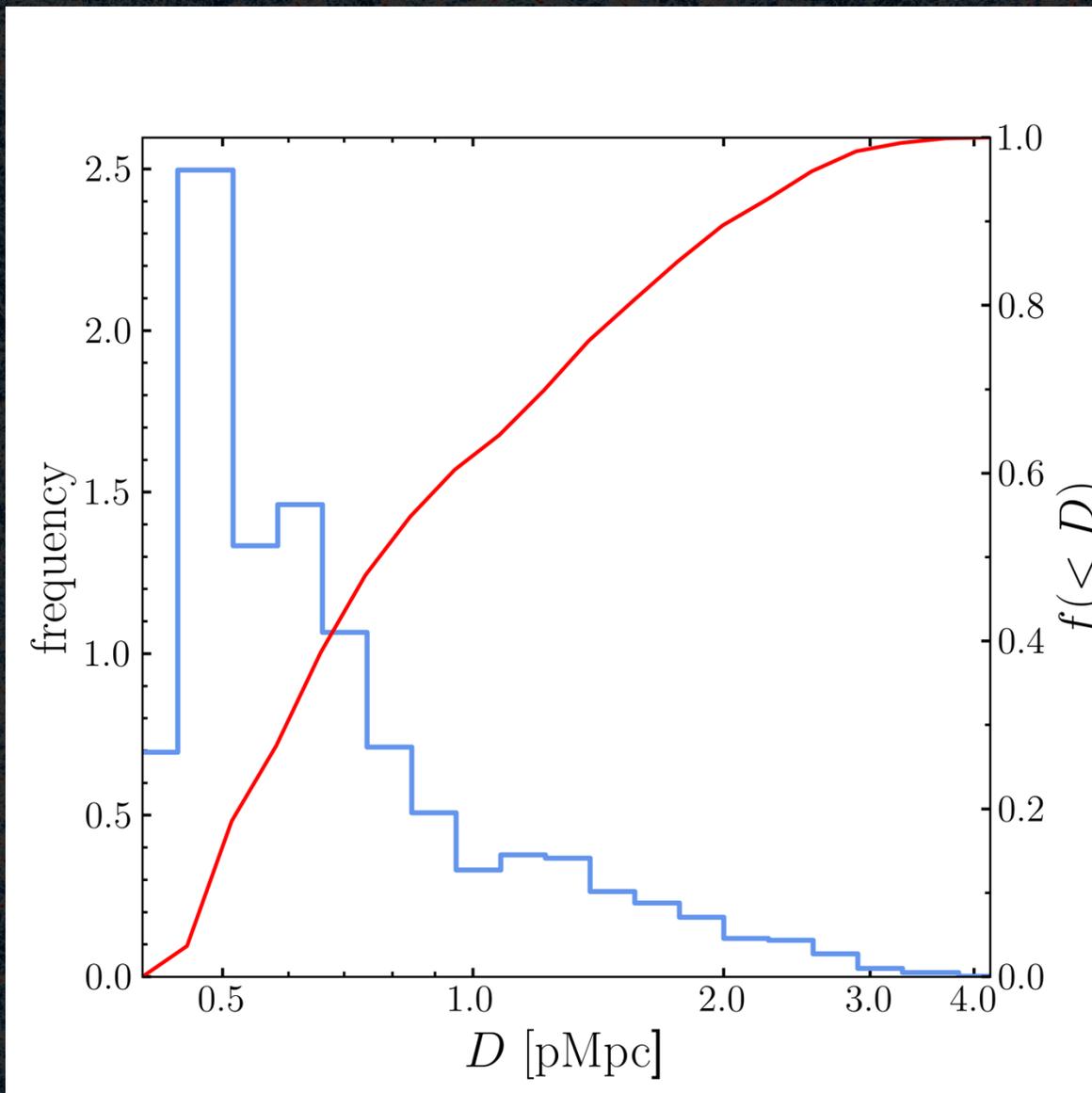


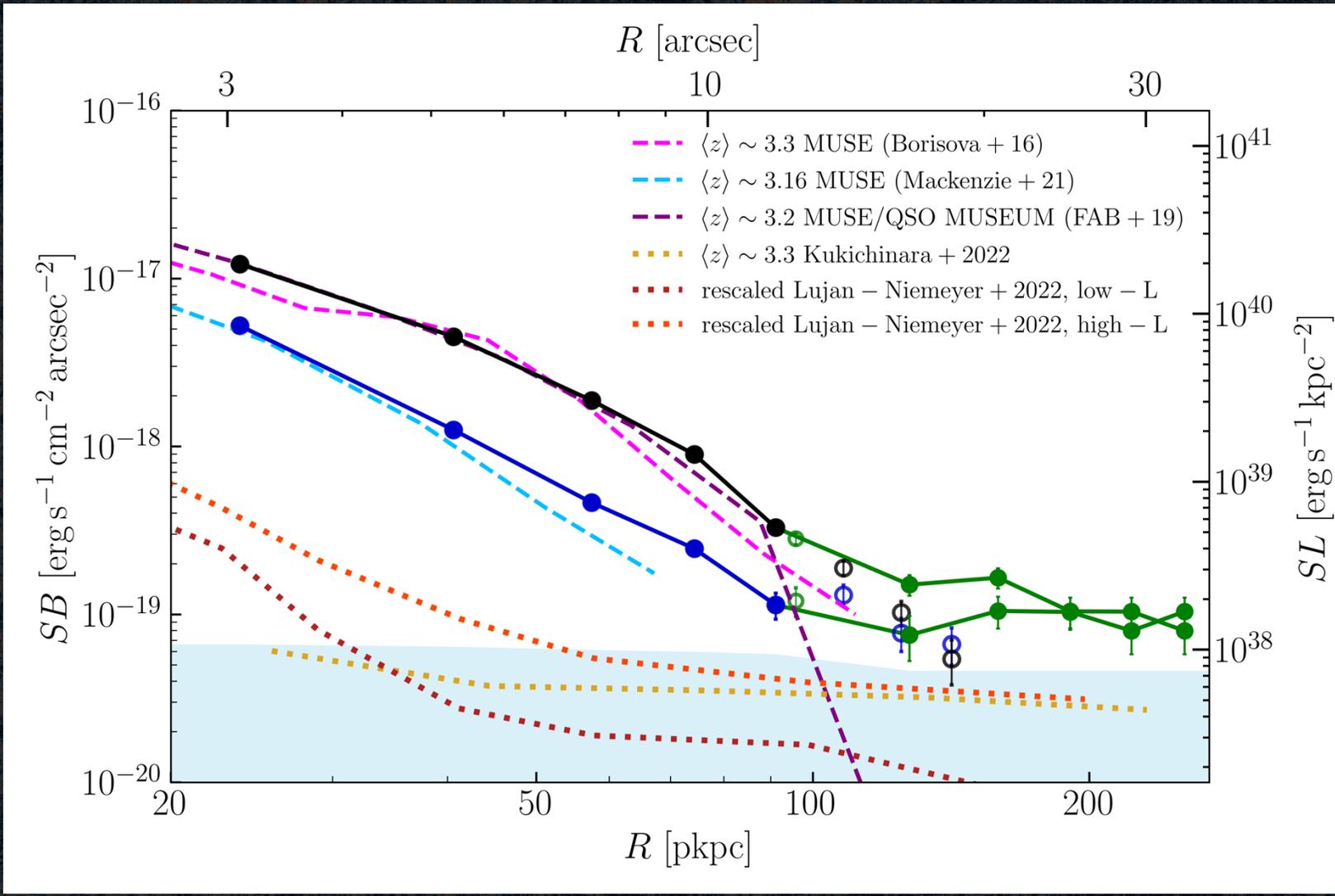
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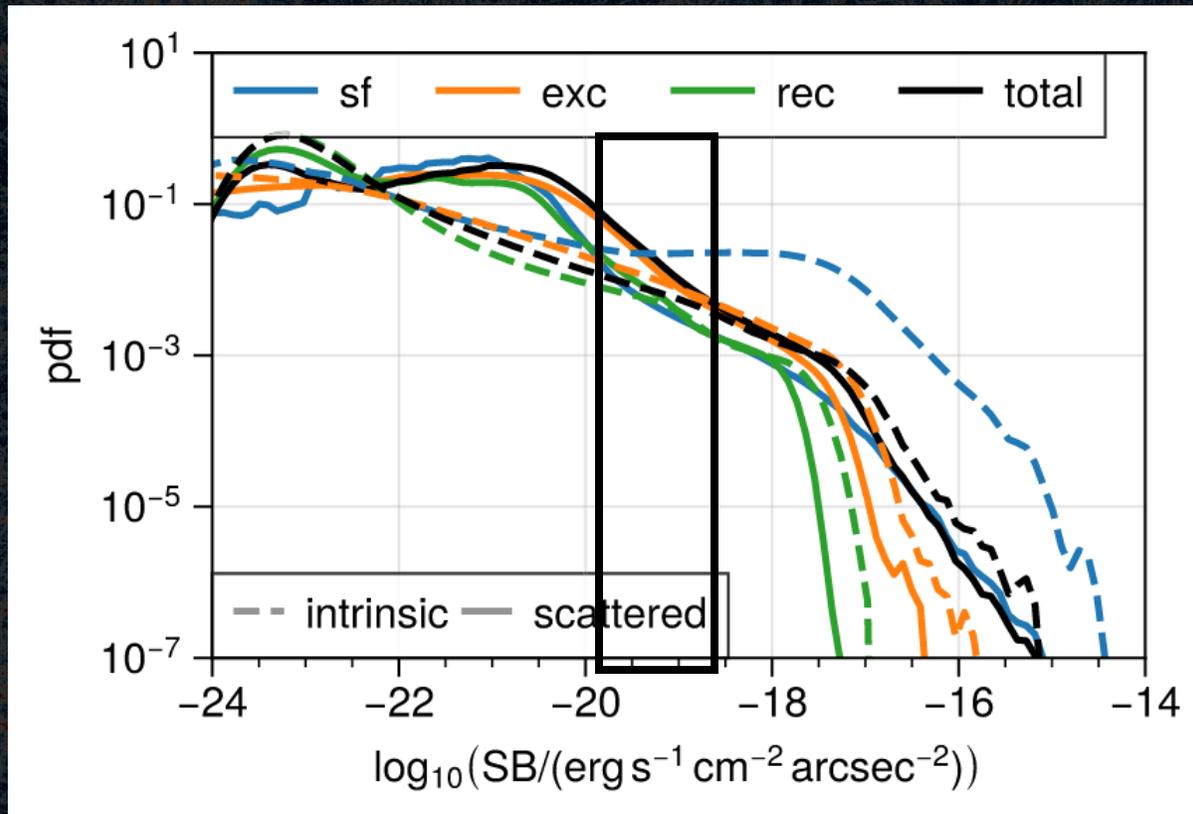


QSO2 (Faint)



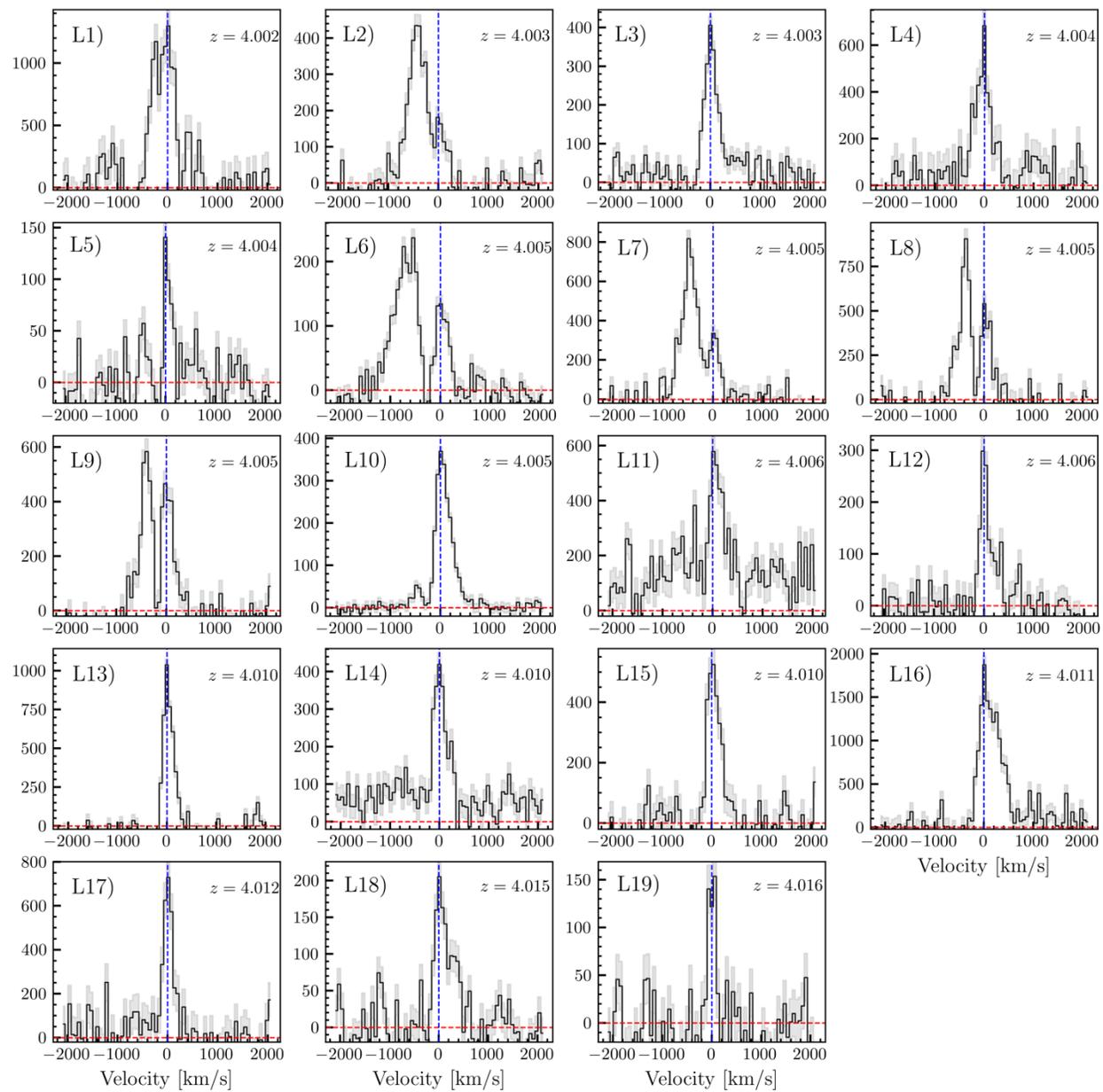






Byrohl & Nelson 2023

Rest-frame flux [$10^{-20} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ \AA}^{-1}$]



Spherical infall

