

HI in Galaxy Clusters at $z=0.2$

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Why observe HI in galaxy clusters?

- Galaxy clusters are largest bound structures and continue to accrete from their environments.
- Blind, volume limited HI surveys provide optically unbiased inventory of all gas-rich galaxies.
- HI surveys provide redshifts revealing substructure.
- Presence of cold gas is prerequisite for star formation.
- Cold HI disks are very responsive to galaxy-galaxy and galaxy-ICM interactions.

Physical Processes & Observational Clues

➤ Ram-pressure stripping,
turbulent viscous stripping

➤ Harassment

many high

➤ Tidal interactions

effective low velocity encounters

➤ Consumption & Exhaustion

➤ Starvation

➤ Thermal conduction

Ionization, Evaporation

➤ Asymmetric & offset disks

➤ Truncated & disturbed disks

streamers

Which gas removal mechanism
dominates where?

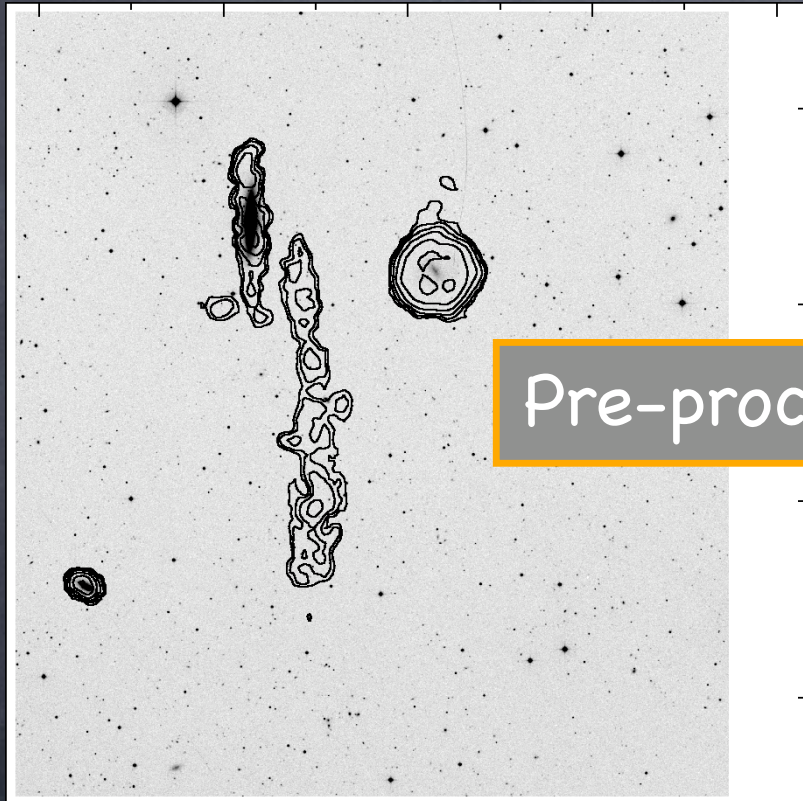
➤ HI deficiencies in highest
density regions

➤ HI Mass Function depends
on morphology & environment

The brightest lenticulars in Ursa Major

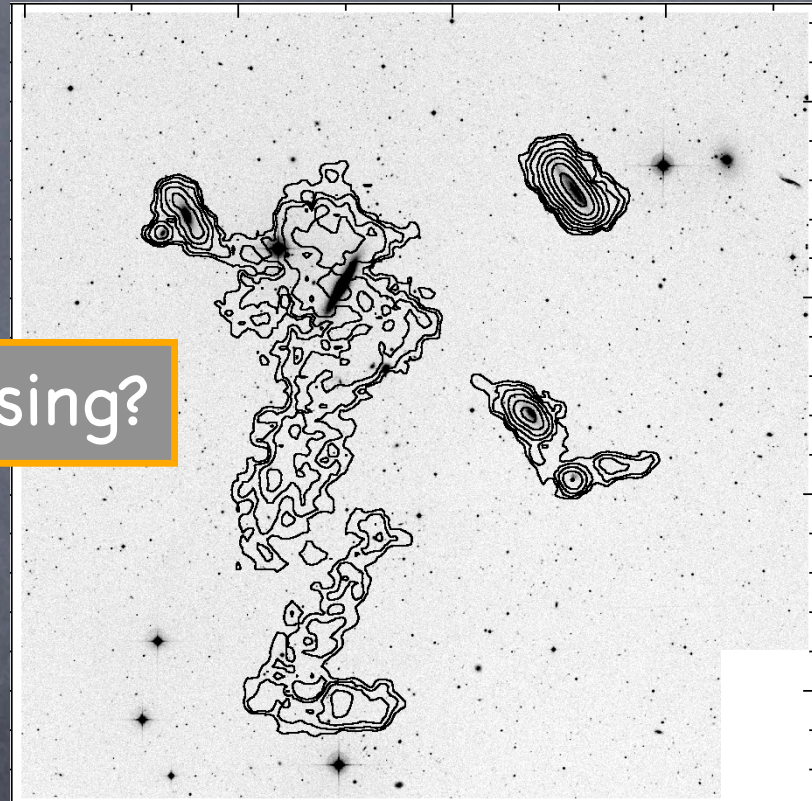
Hot action in a cool group

NGC 4026



$$M_R = -21.16 \text{ (mag)}$$
$$M_{\text{HI}} = 1.2 \times 10^9 (M_\odot)$$

NGC 4111



$$M_R = -21.44 \text{ (mag)}$$
$$M_{\text{HI}} = 1.3 \times 10^9 (M_\odot)$$

Pre-processing?

Verheijen et al, 2001

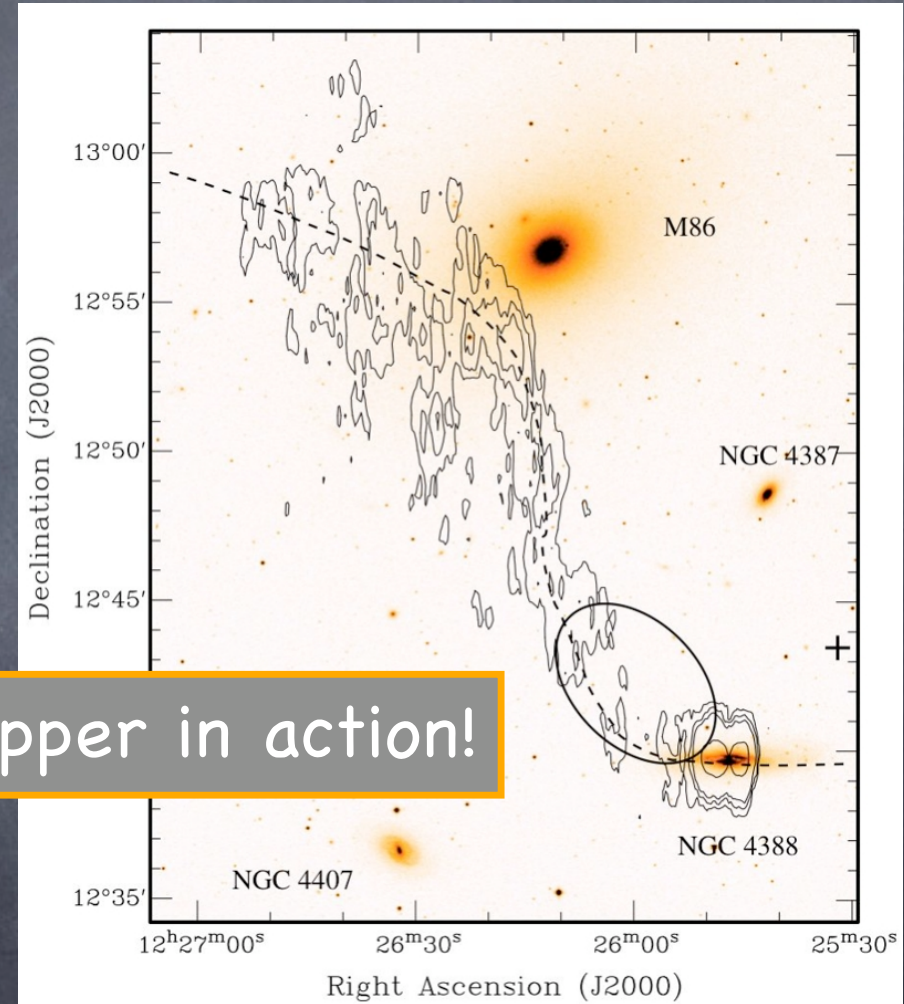
HI in the Virgo cluster

VLA



Chung et al, 2005

WSRT

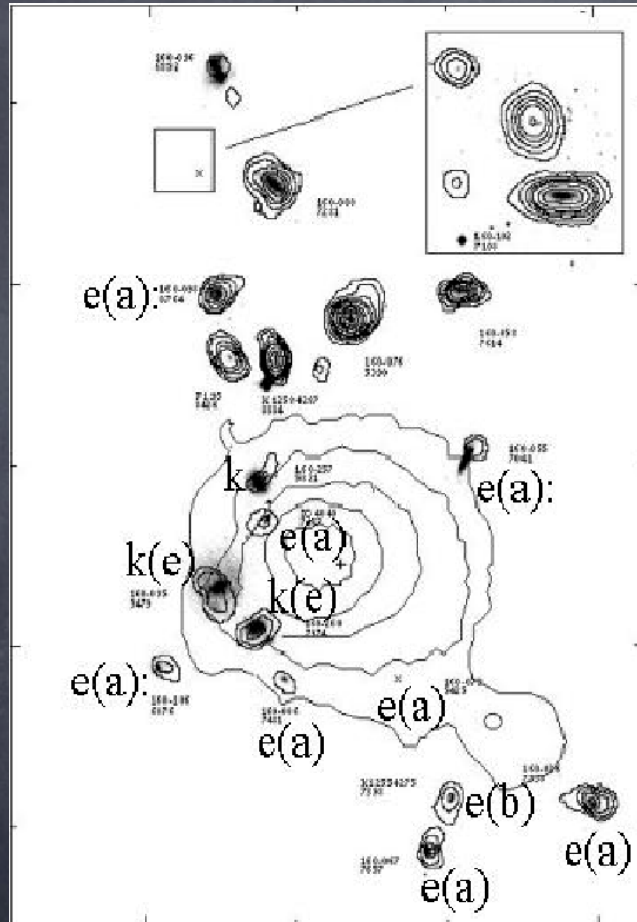


Oosterloo & van Gorkom, 2005

Stripper in action!

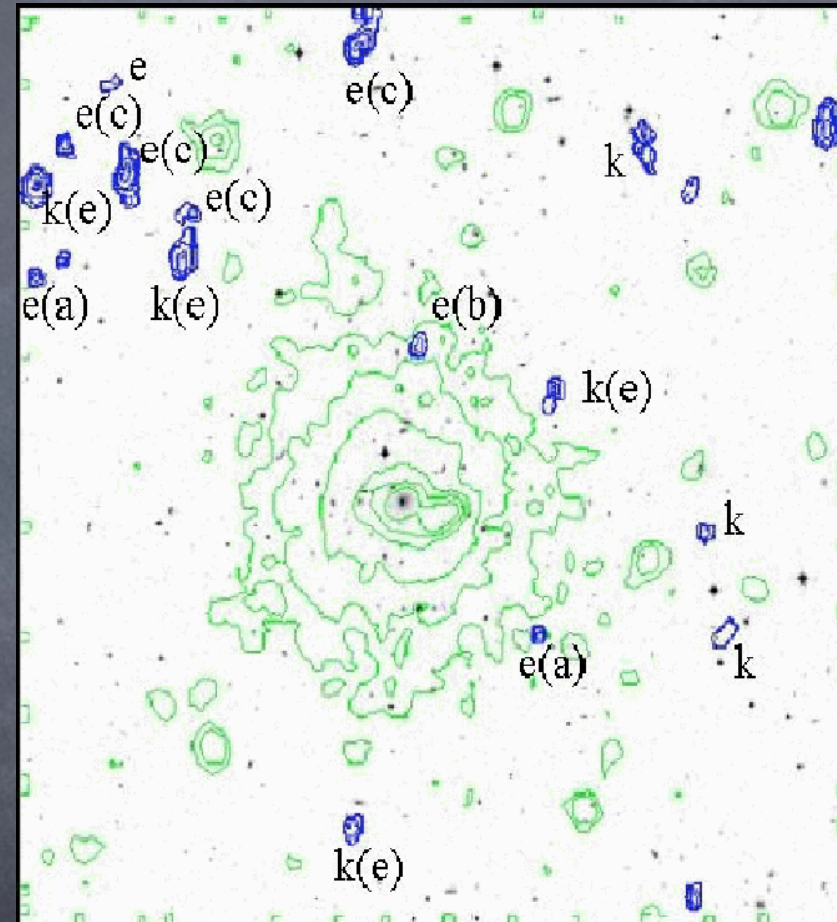
HI, ICM, SFR, SP interrelations

Coma



Bravo-Alfaro et al, 2001

Abell 2670



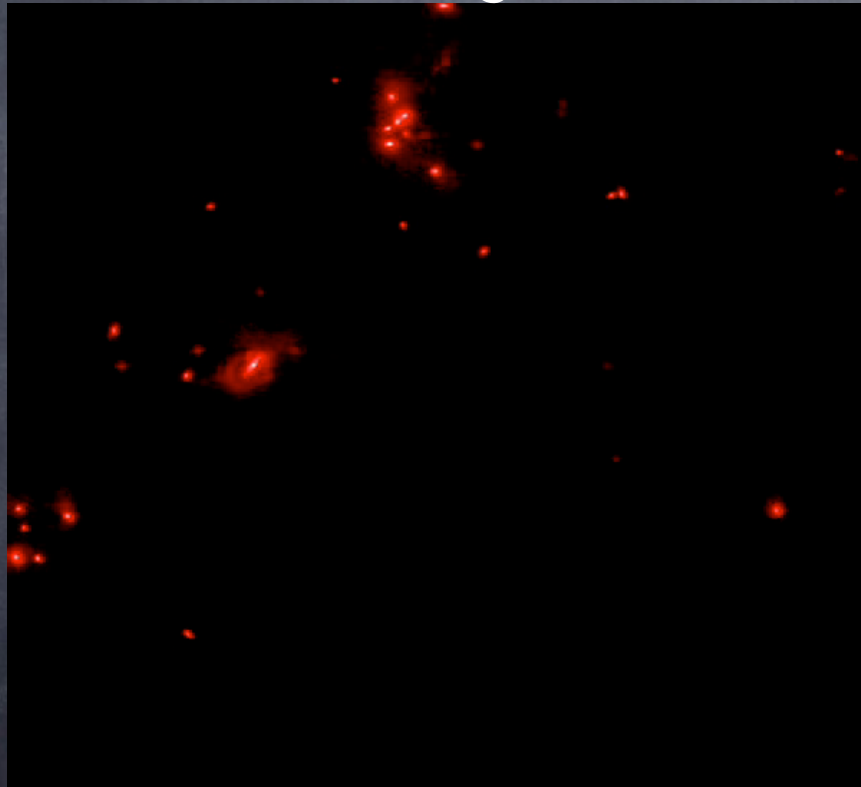
Poggianti & van Gorkom, 2001

Infalling galaxies are clustered in space and velocity
 ➤ relates to substructures in redshift space

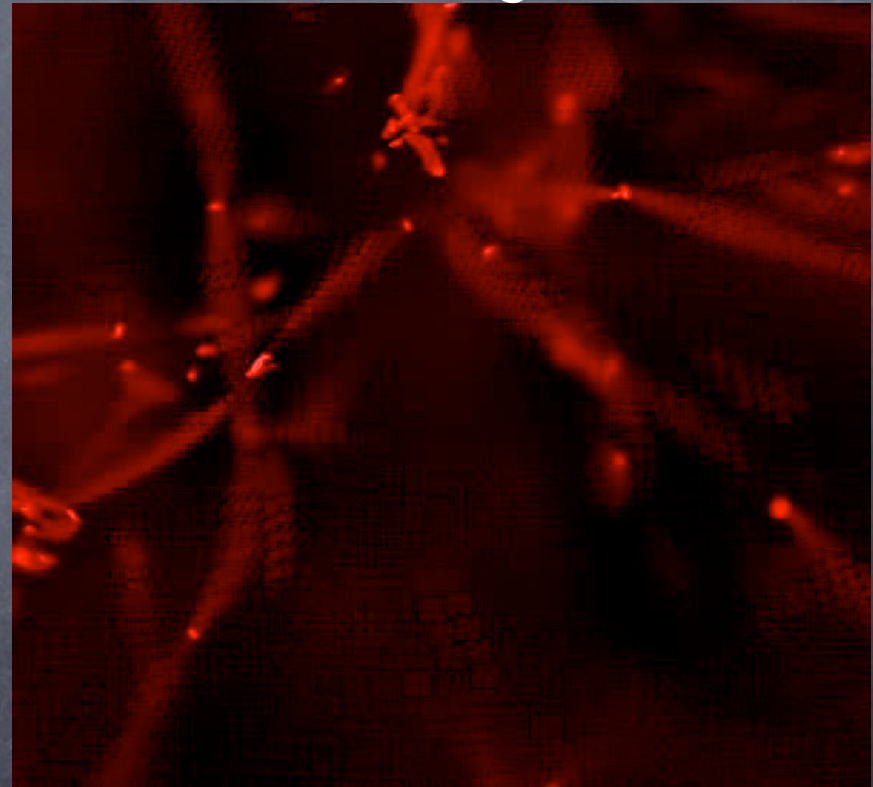
Simulations of cluster growth

galaxies in (trans)formation

Total gas



Cold gas

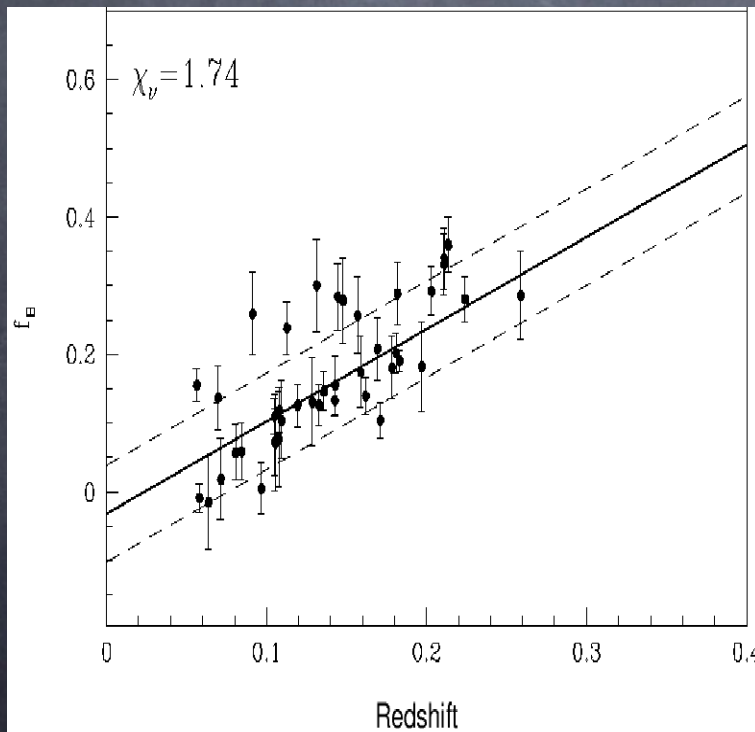


courtesy: Greg Bryan - Columbia University

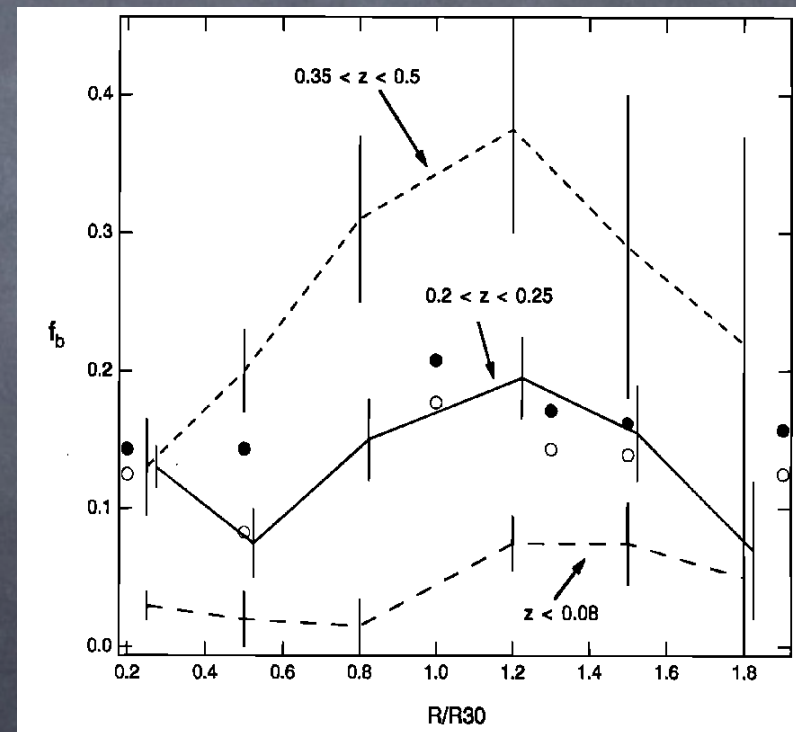
Why clusters at $z \sim 0.2$?

- Highest redshift for practical HI imaging with existing arrays
- Lowest redshift where cosmological evolutionary effects are seen

The fraction of blue (starforming?) galaxies in clusters increases with redshift and peaks in cluster outskirts.



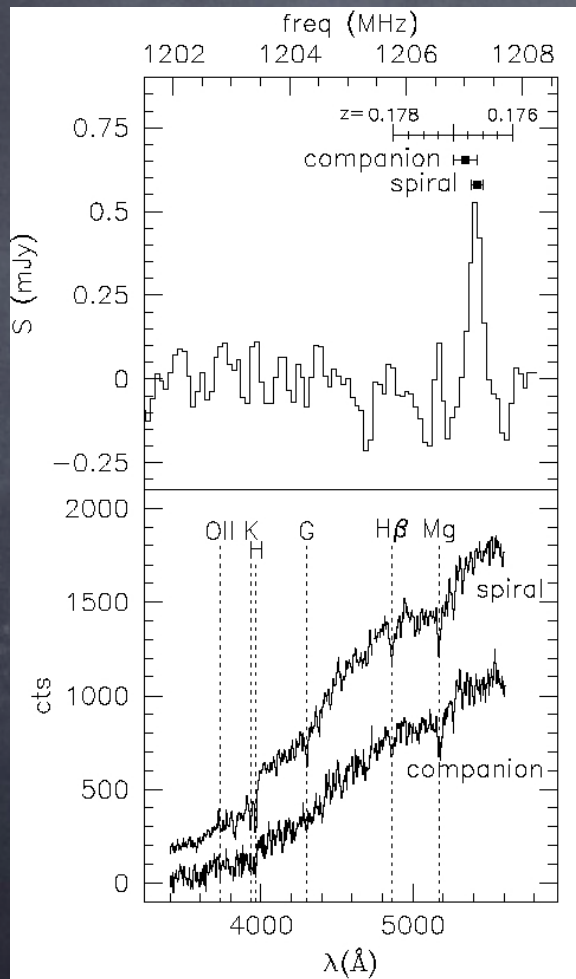
Margoniner et al, 2001



Abraham et al, 1996

First detection at intermediate Z

HI emission in the outskirts of Abell 2218 at $Z=0.1766$



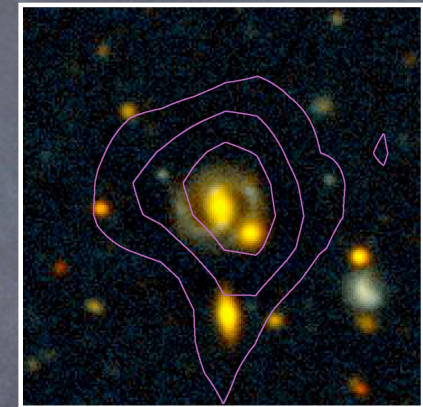
Zwaan et al, 2000

Westerbork upgrade
commissioning data

$$M_{\text{HI}} = 4.7 \times 10^9 (M_{\odot})$$

$$M_R = -20.8 \text{ (mag)}$$

$$\text{SFR}_{M>5M_{\odot}} < 1.9 (M_{\odot}/\text{yr})$$



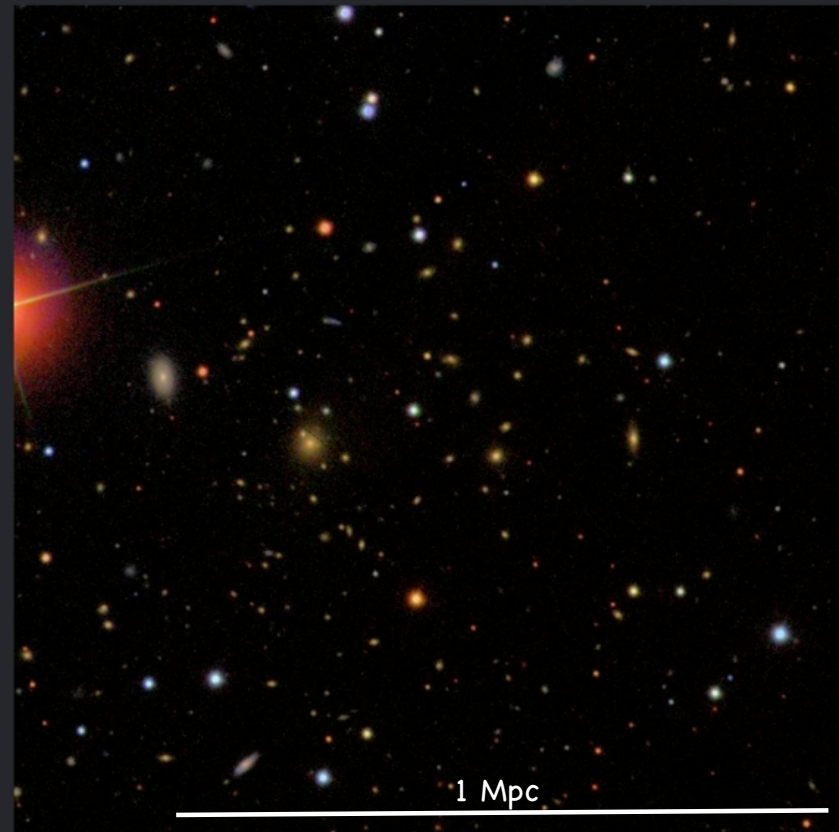
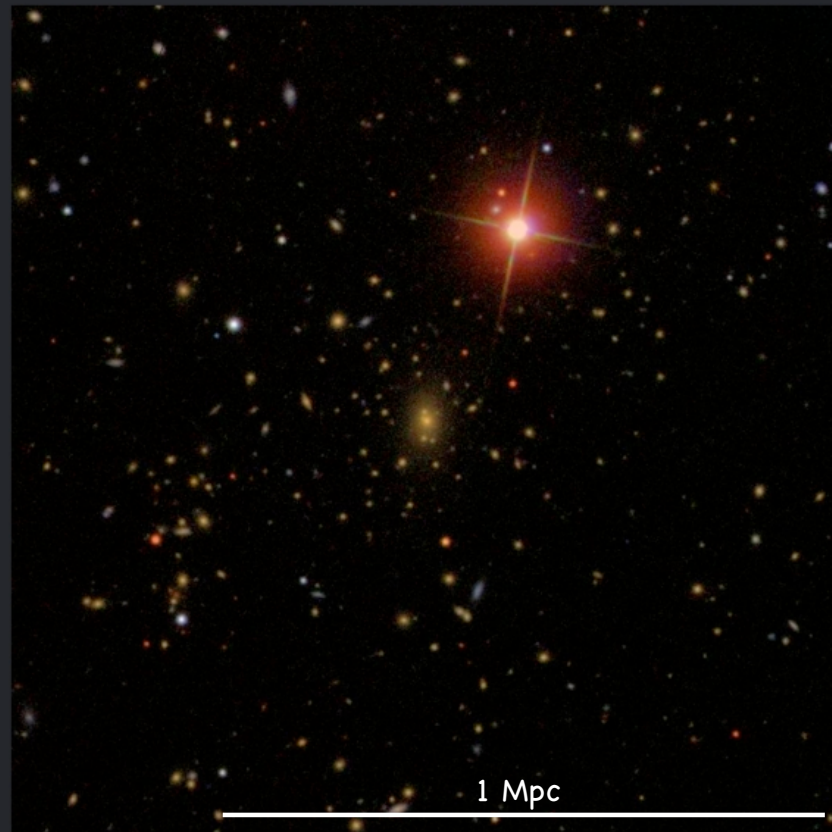
Current efforts

Catinella: Arecibo detecting individual
galaxies ($z=0.15-0.25$)

Lah : stacking 100s GMRT spectra
→ statistical detection ($z=0.24$)?

A tale of two clusters

Abell 963 prologue Abell 2192



SDSS images

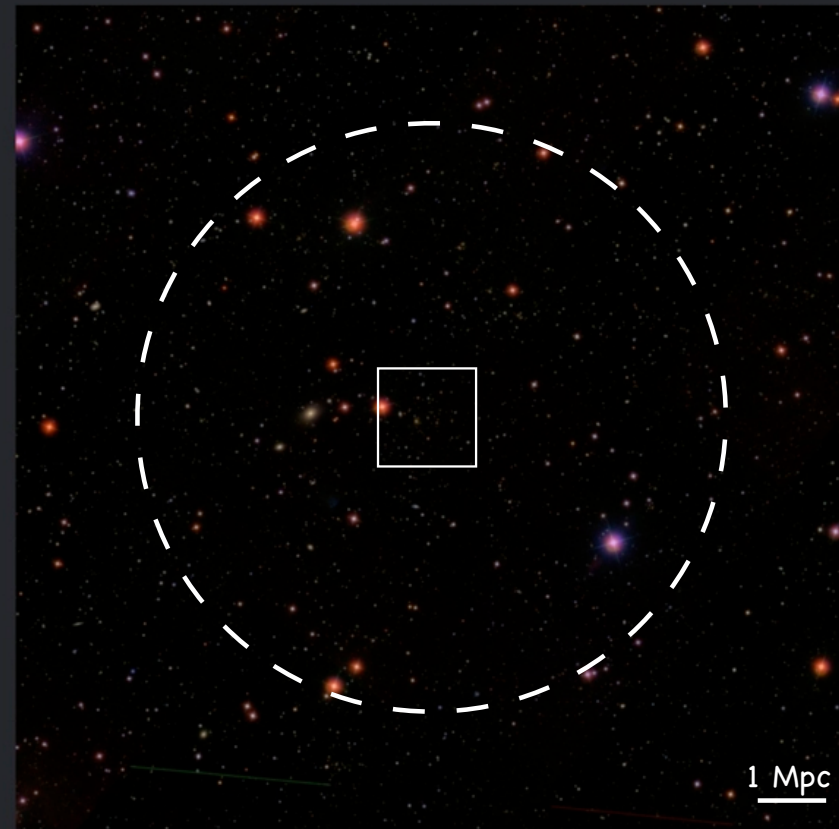
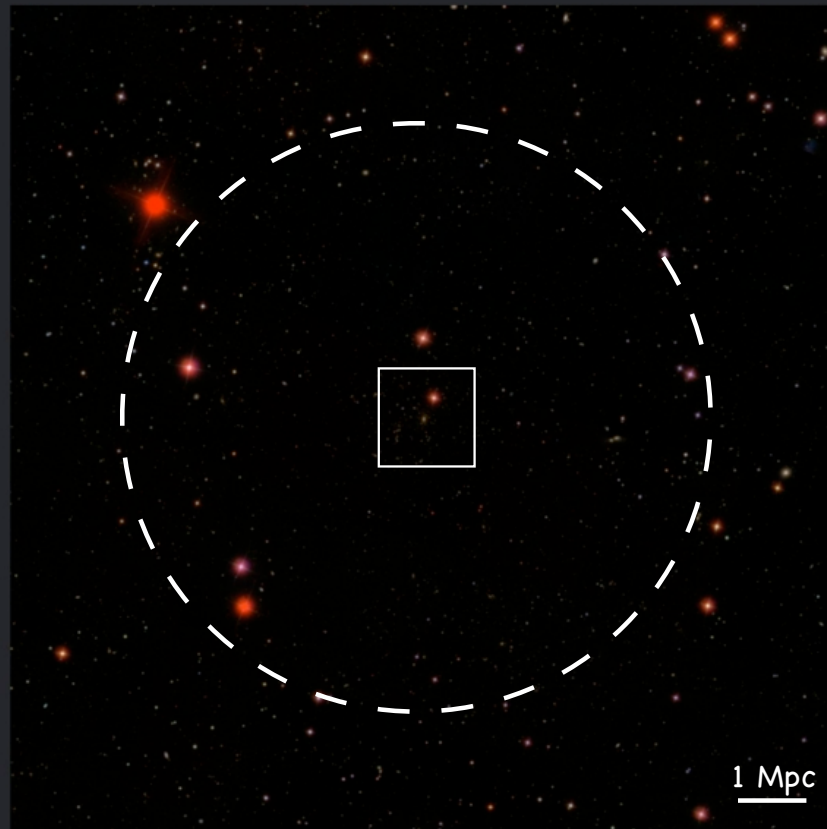
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Ultra-Deep WSRT observations

- Minimum measurable HI mass:
 $2 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$ over 150 km/s profile width,
with 4σ in each of 3 resolution elements.
- Corresponding limiting column density:
 $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ (cm}^{-2}\text{)}$ over 75 km/s profile width at 7σ .

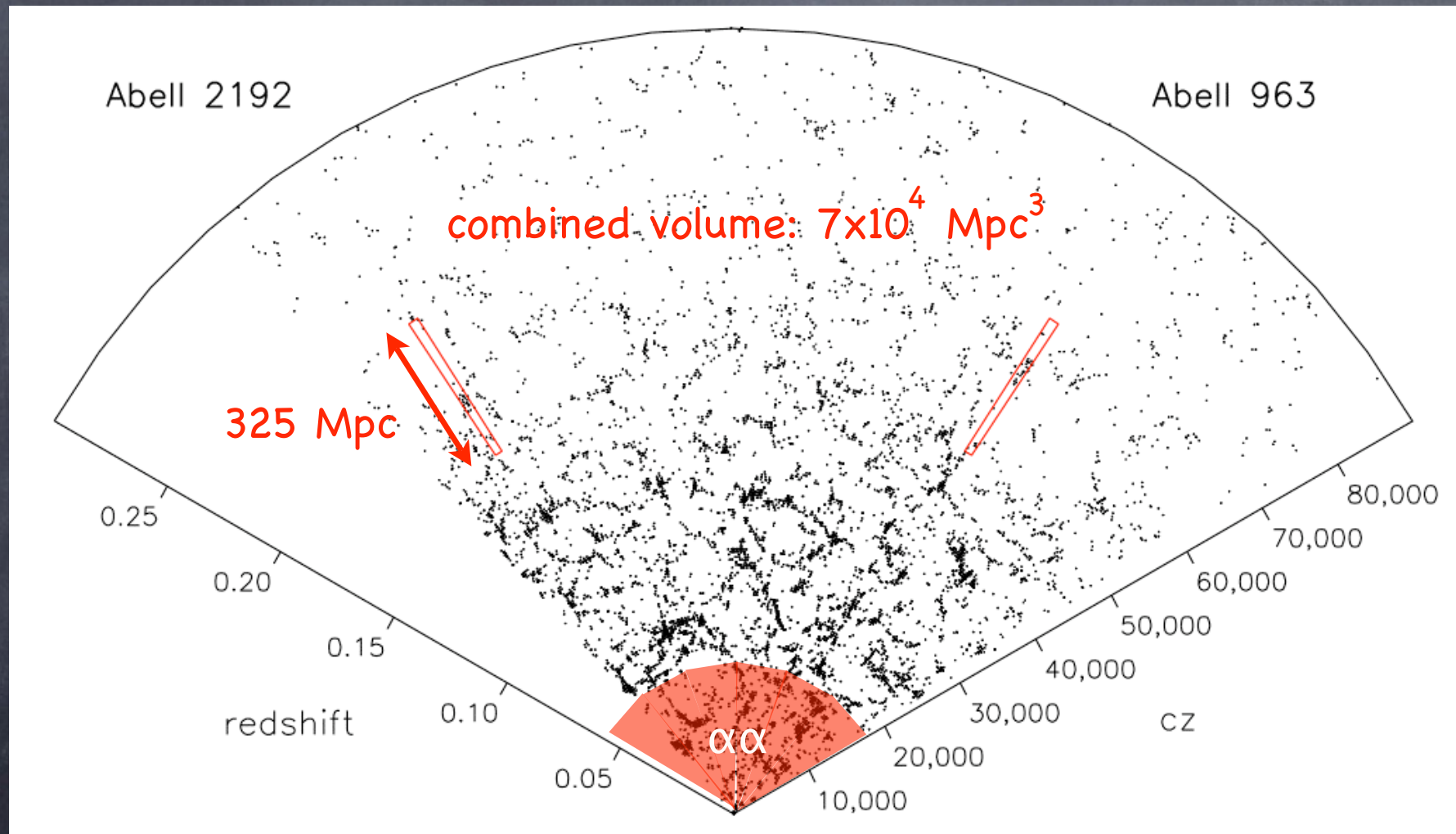
This requires: $73 \times 12^{\text{hr}}$ for A2192
 $117 \times 12^{\text{hr}}$ for A963

WSRT pilot observations



- 8x10MHz bands, overlapping to cover 1160–1220 MHz
 $Z = 0.164\text{--}0.224$, surveyed volume $\approx 70,000 \text{ Mpc}^3$
- 8x256 channels, covering 18,000 km/s velocity range
24 km/s velocity resolution (after Hanning smoothing)
- dual polarisation, 2-bit correlation, recirculation
- $20 \times 12^{\text{hr}}$ on Abell 963, $15 \times 12^{\text{hr}}$ on Abell 2192
- rms noise per channel: 68 μJy and 91 μJy
- $\sim 5\%$ lost to RFI

Survey Volume & Large Scale Structure



SDSS redshift cone

Abell 963

38 channels ($\Delta V=24$ km/s)

ν : 1175.3 – 1172.4 MHz

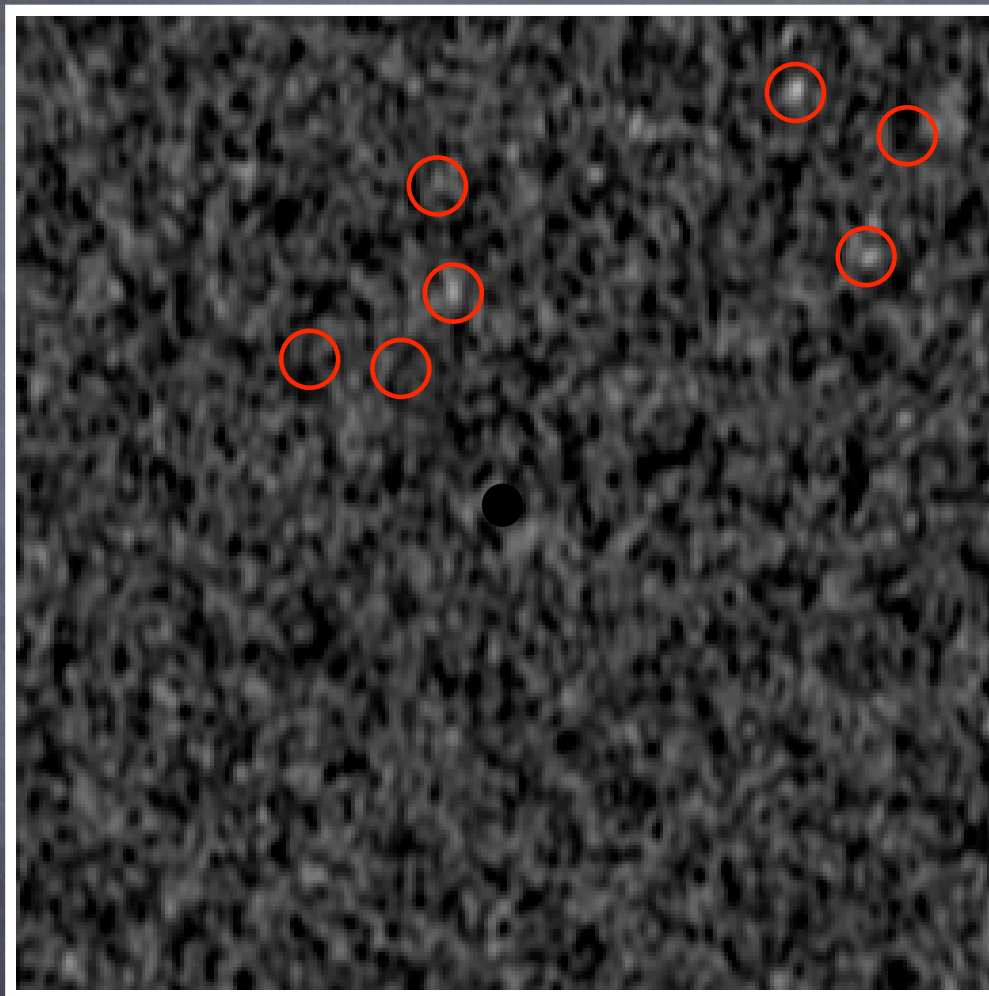
z : 0.2085 – 0.2115

cz : 62,507 – 63,406 km/s

39 galaxies detected
in two clusters

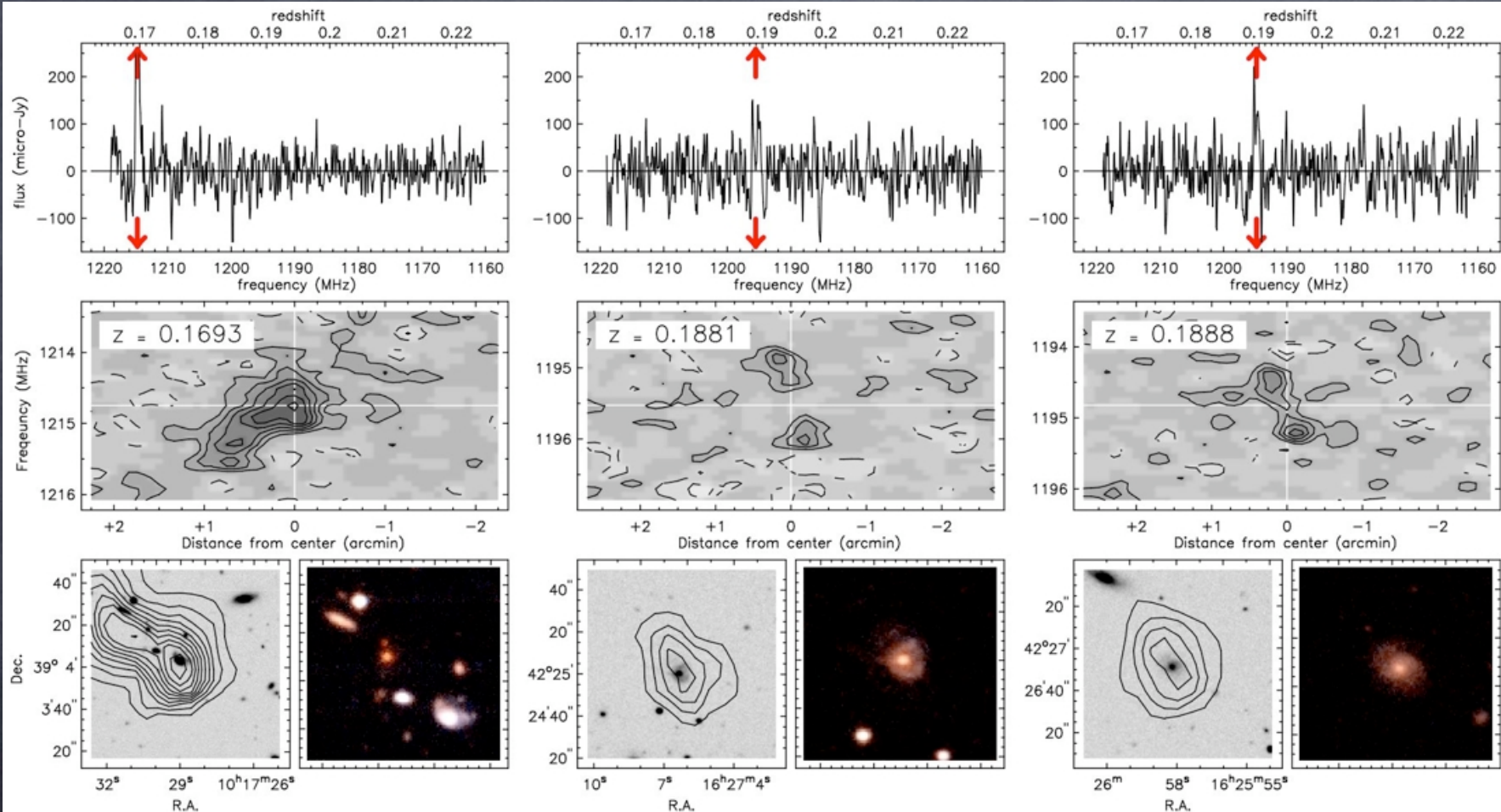
$5 \times 10^9 - 4 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$

WSRT data cube

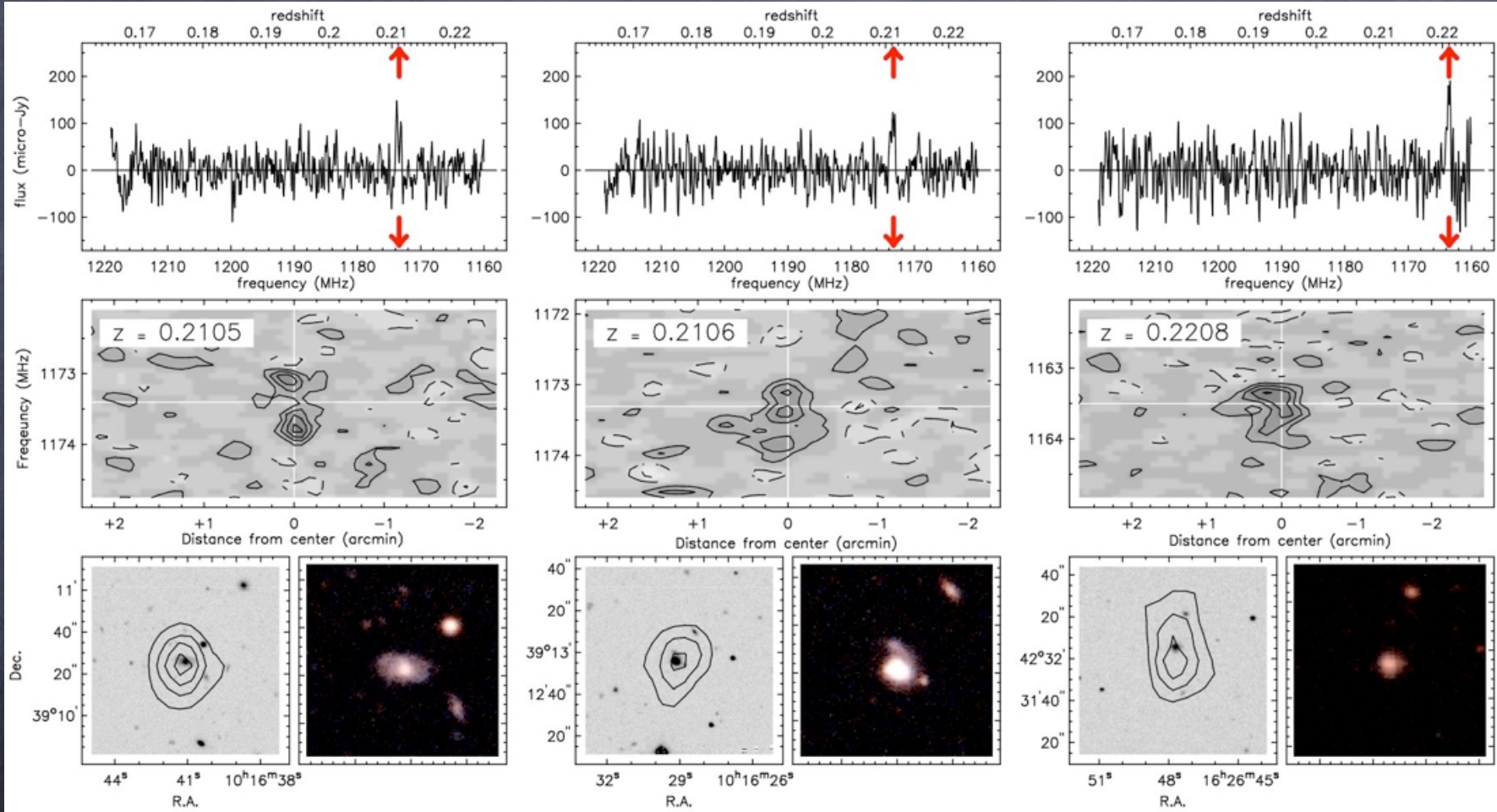


4.3 x 4.3 Mpc

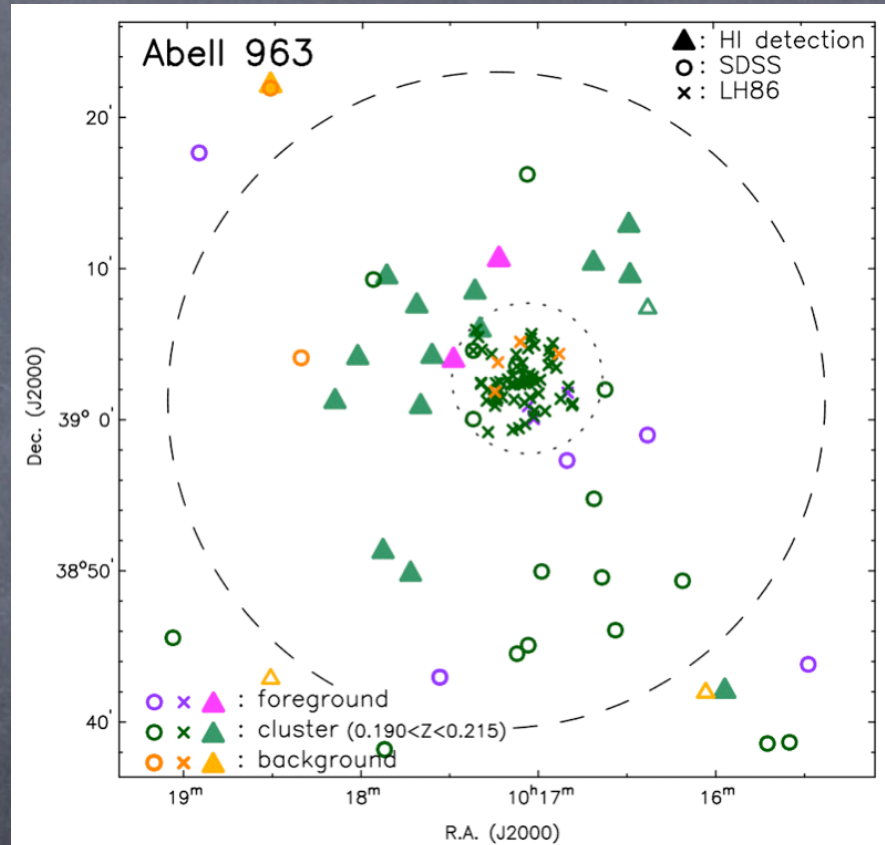
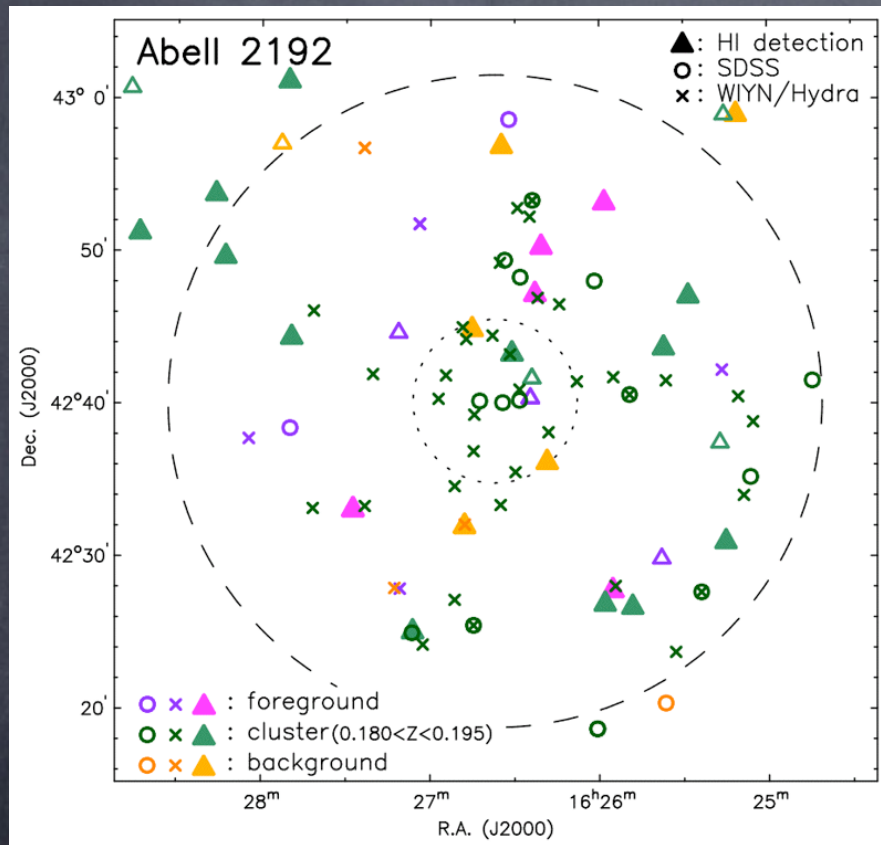
Pilot observations – First results



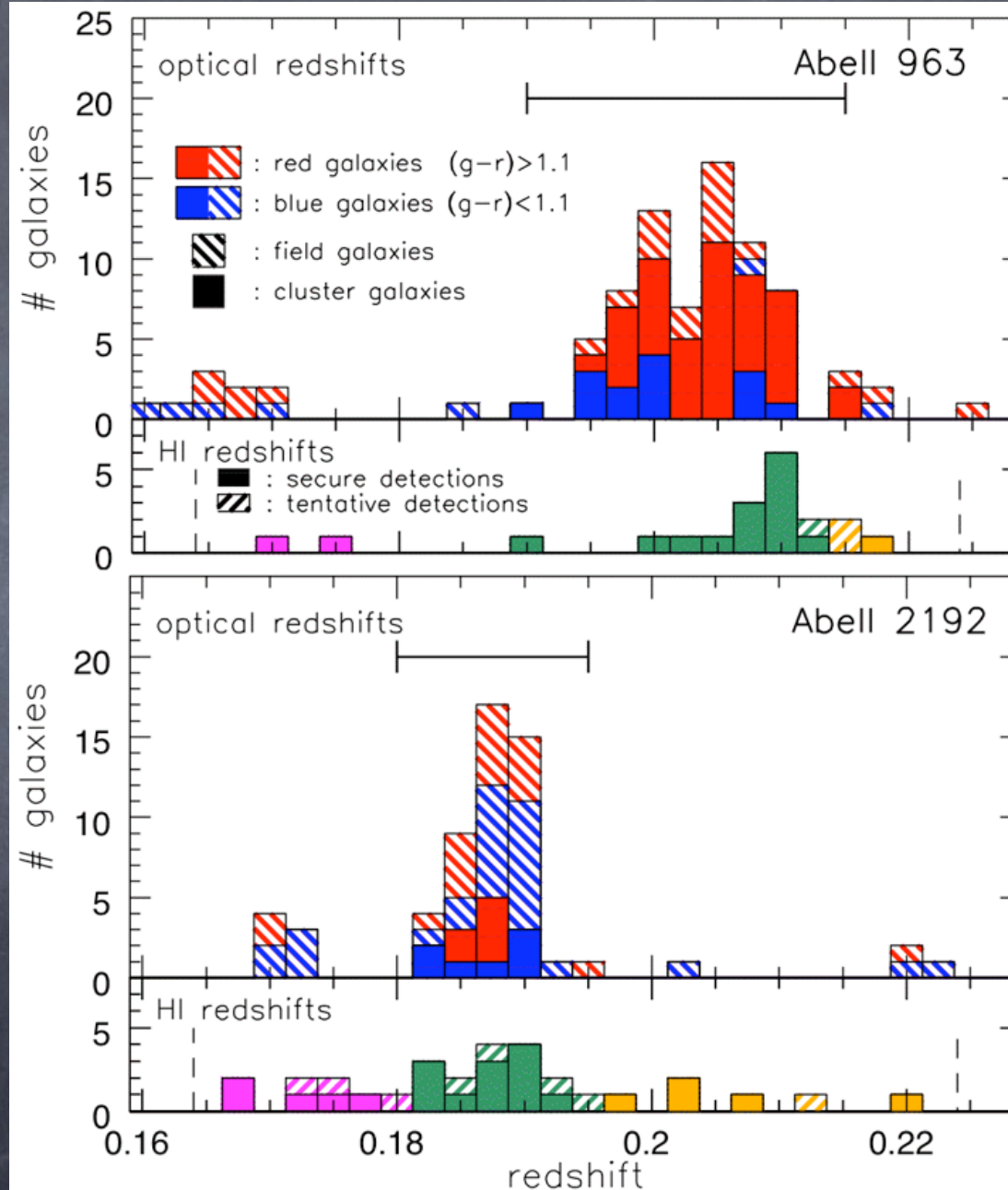
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Revealing the surrounding field



Redshift distributions



Colour-Magnitude diagrams

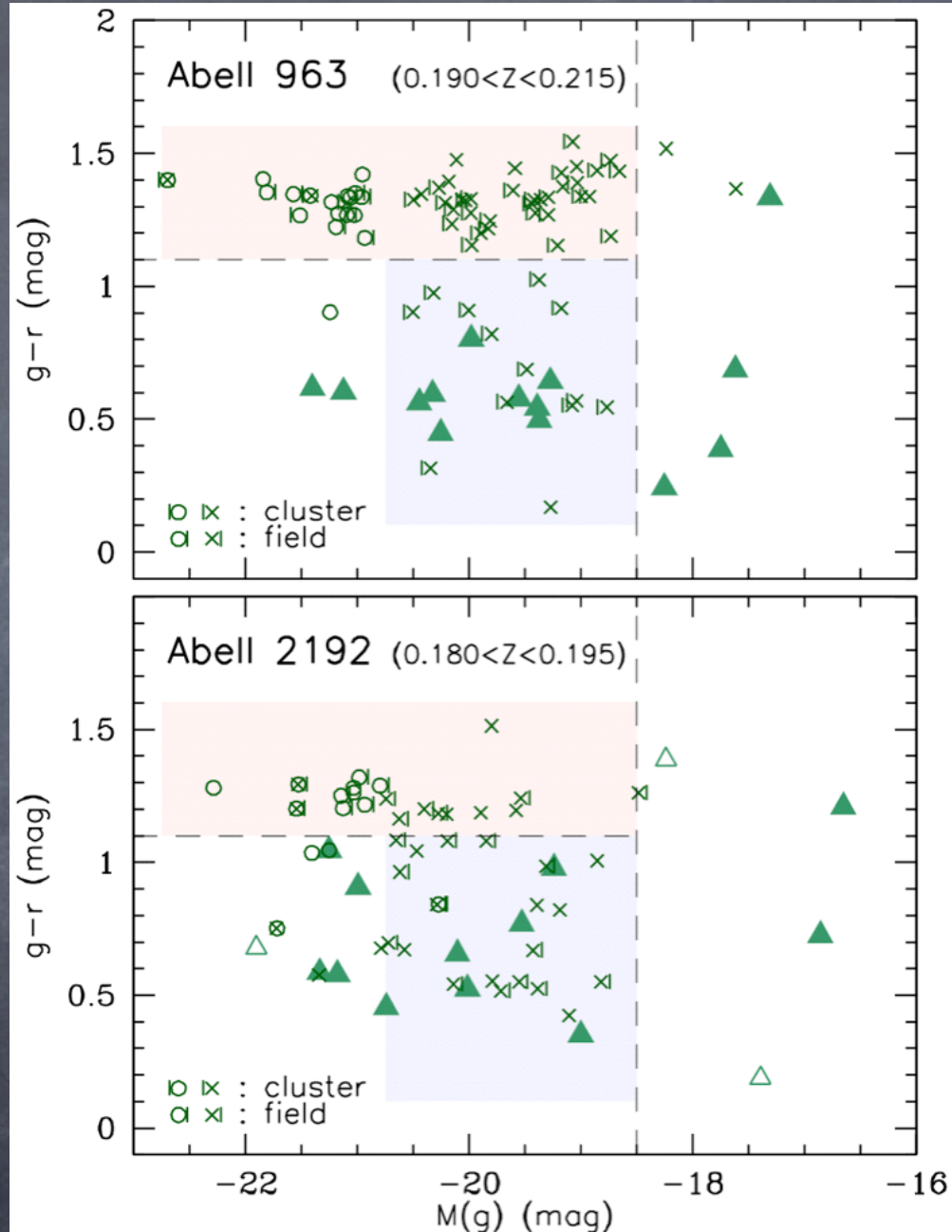
Galaxies with known redshifts only

optical redshifts

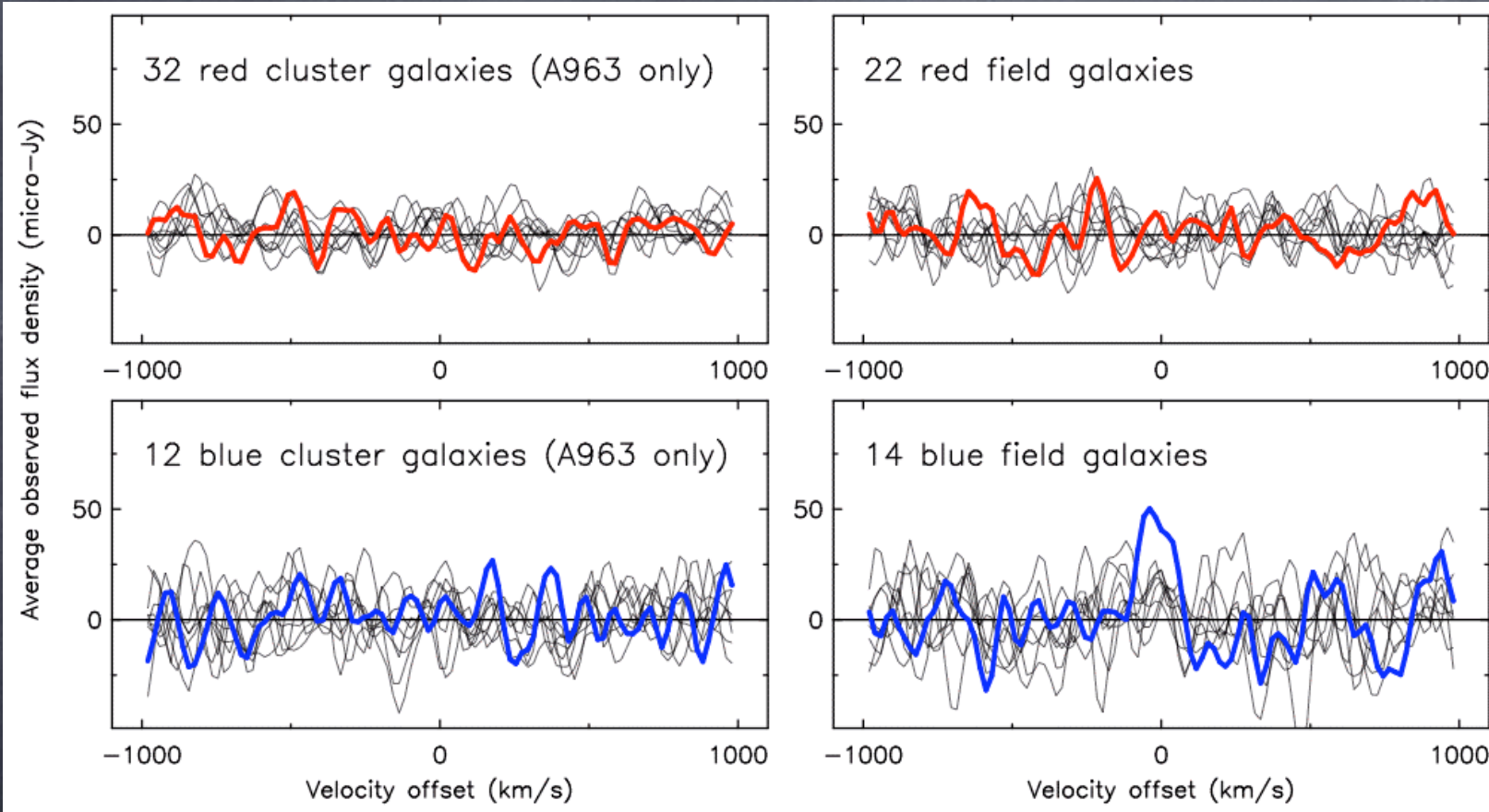
○ : SDSS
× : other

HI redshifts

▲ : WSRT



Stacking HI spectra



Average HI mass: $\sim 2 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$

Summary & Outlook

- HI reveals physical processes unseen otherwise
- Westerbork has a powerful and unique receiver
- HI emission from 39 galaxies at $z \approx 0.2$
- Blind HI survey uncovers LSS unseen by SDSS
- Blue 'BO-galaxies' gas-poor wrt similar field galaxies
- Long-term program on WSRT + Spitzer, CO, UV
(>200 detections expected)

Only SKA can image this at $z=1$

