

Reanalysis of the RASS with a source detection algorithm optimised for extended surface brightness distributions

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Motivation

- **Tension** between primary CMB and cluster counts (Planck collaboration 2014)
- **Questions:** are cluster samples detected incomplete?
- **This work:** with the RASS data, search for very extended X-ray clusters that might be missed in previous works (e.g. MCXC, Piffaretti+11)

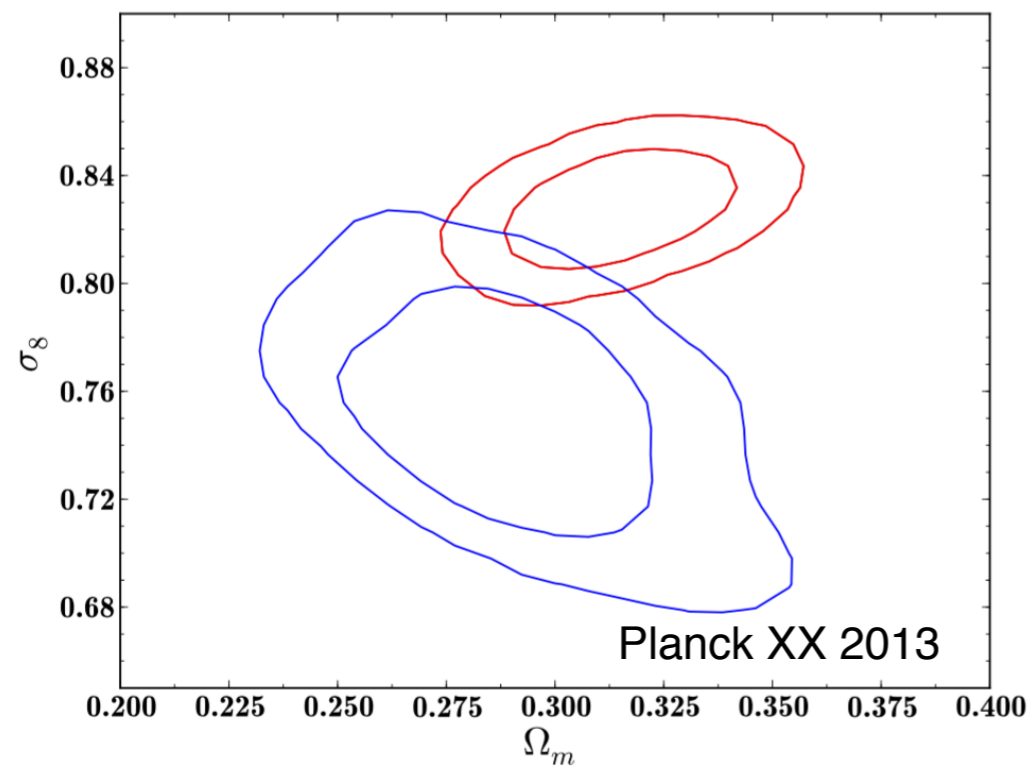


Fig. 11. 2D Ω_m - σ_8 likelihood contours for the analysis with *Planck* CMB only (red); *Planck* SZ + BAO + BBN (blue) with $(1 - b)$ in $[0.7, 1]$.

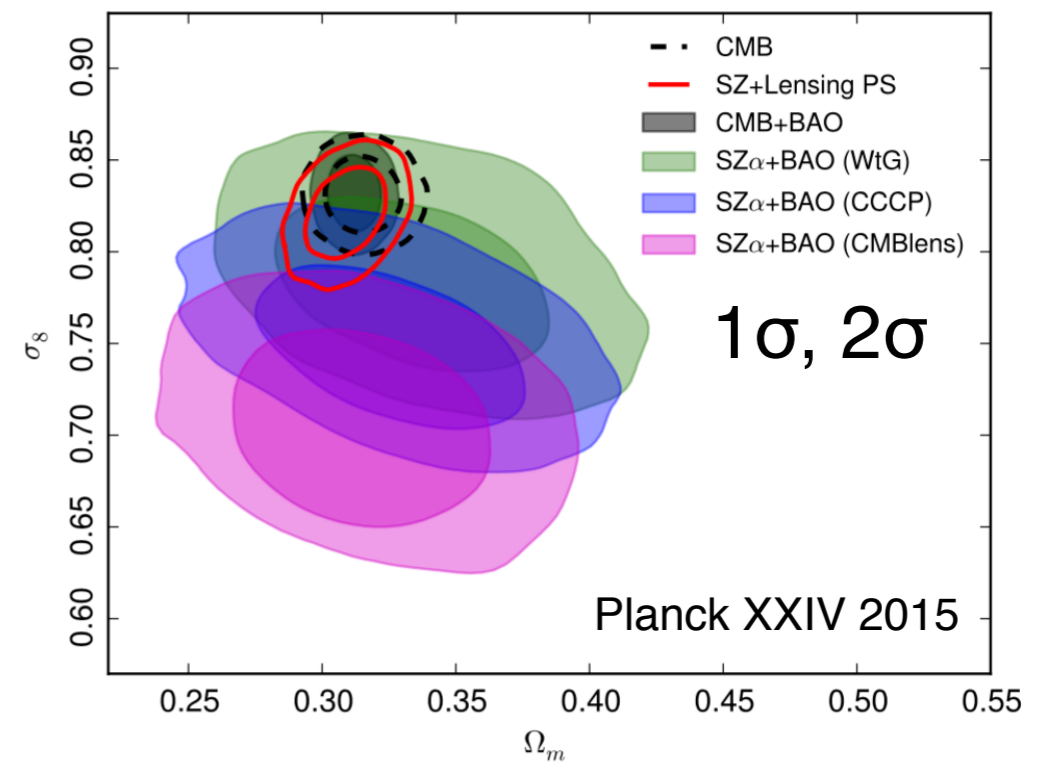


Fig. 7: Comparison of constraints from the CMB to those from the cluster counts in the (Ω_m, σ_8) -plane.

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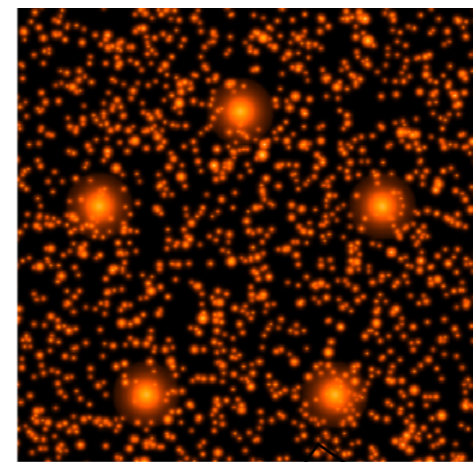
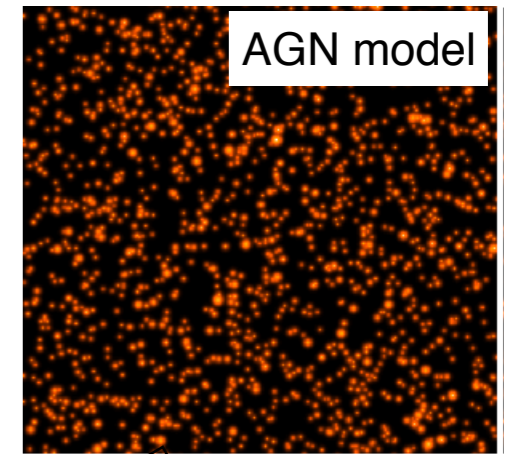
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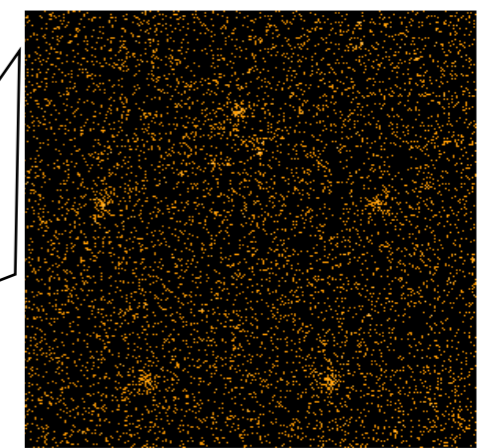
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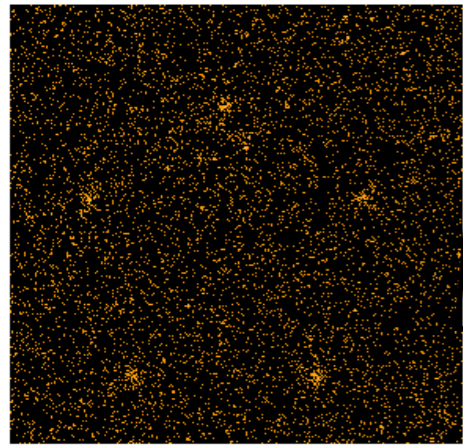


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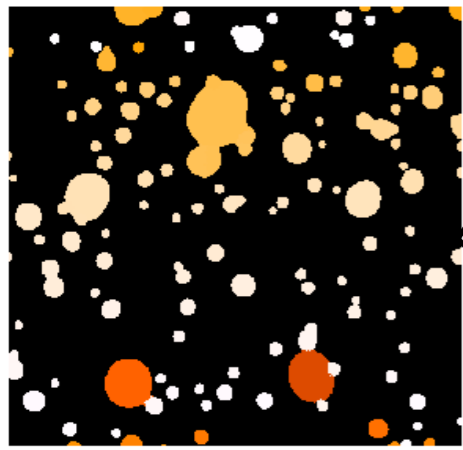
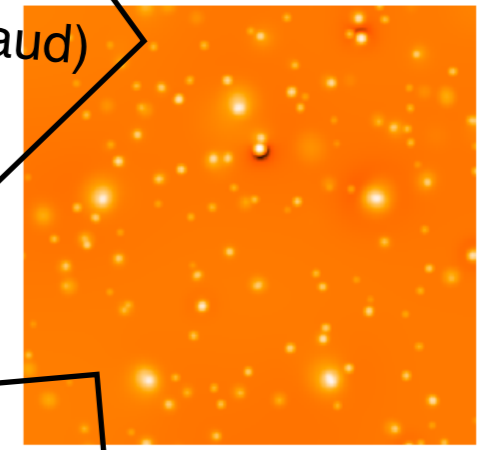
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Detection



1. **Wavelet:** filter images with a multi-resolution wavelet method to produce reconstructed images (erwavelet, from Florian Pacaud)



2. **Source extractor**
(SExtractor, Bertin & Arnouts 1996)

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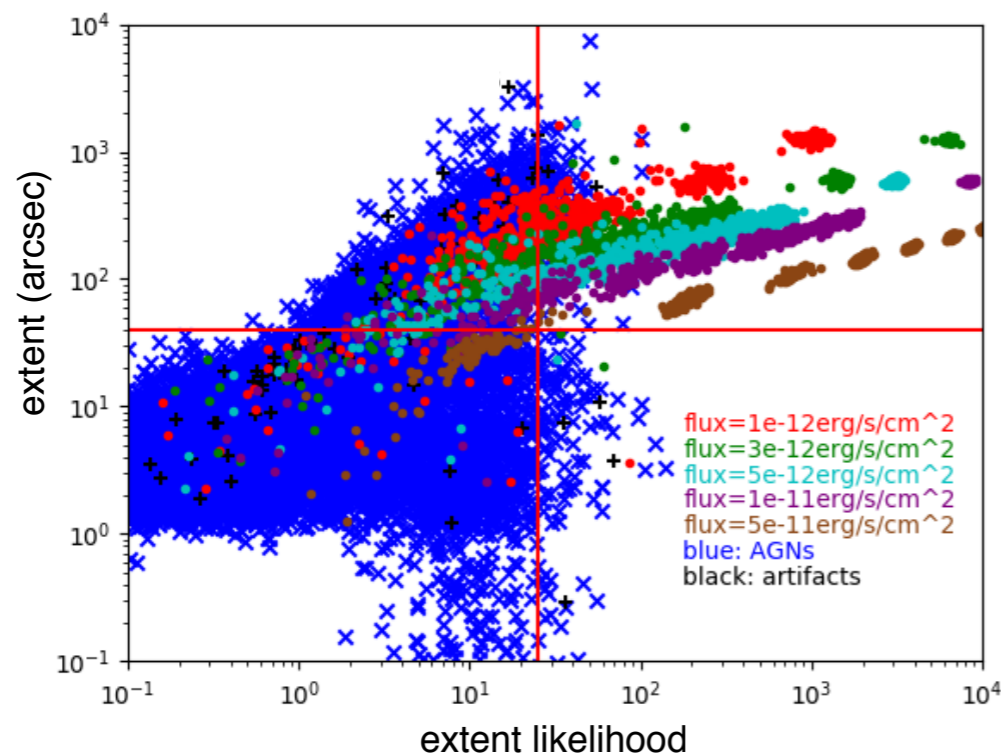
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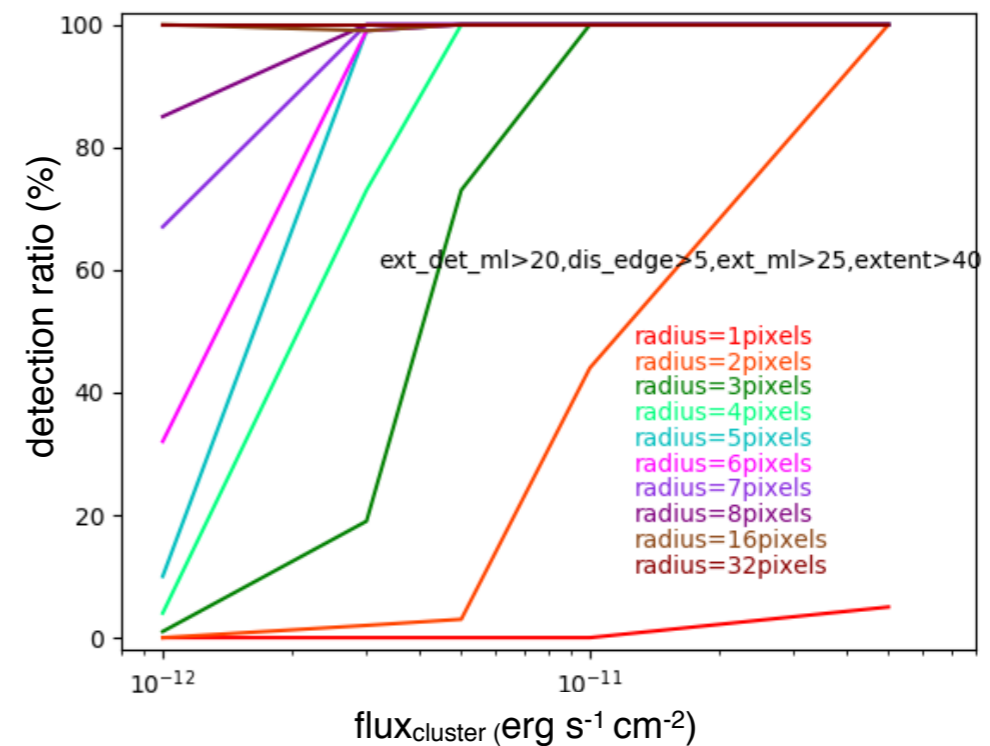
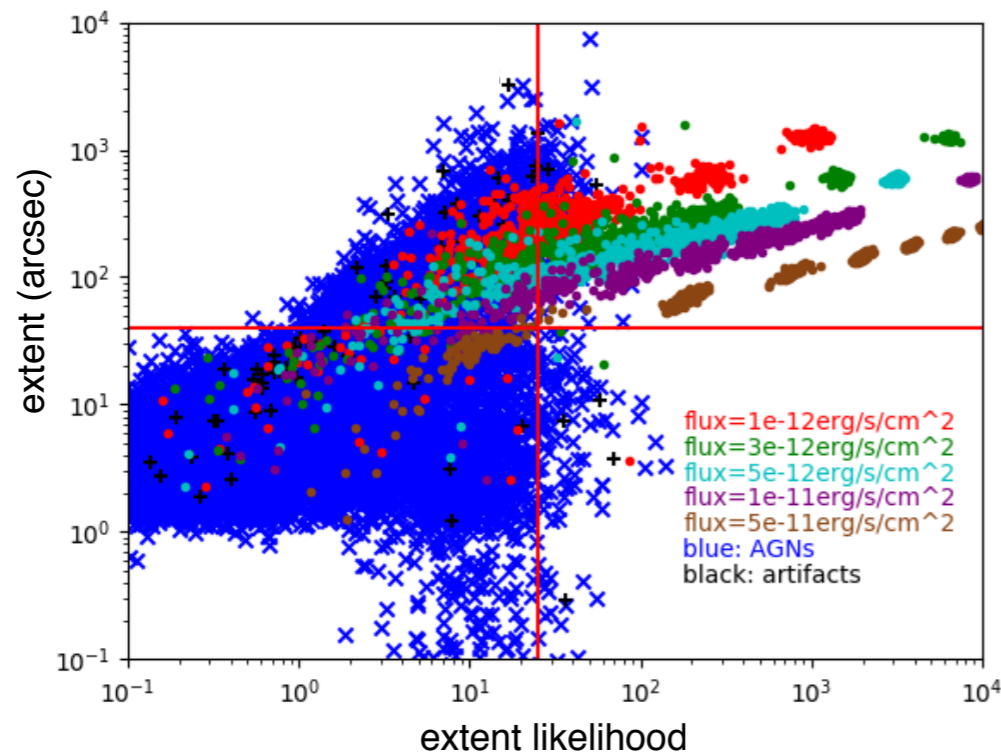
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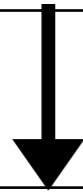


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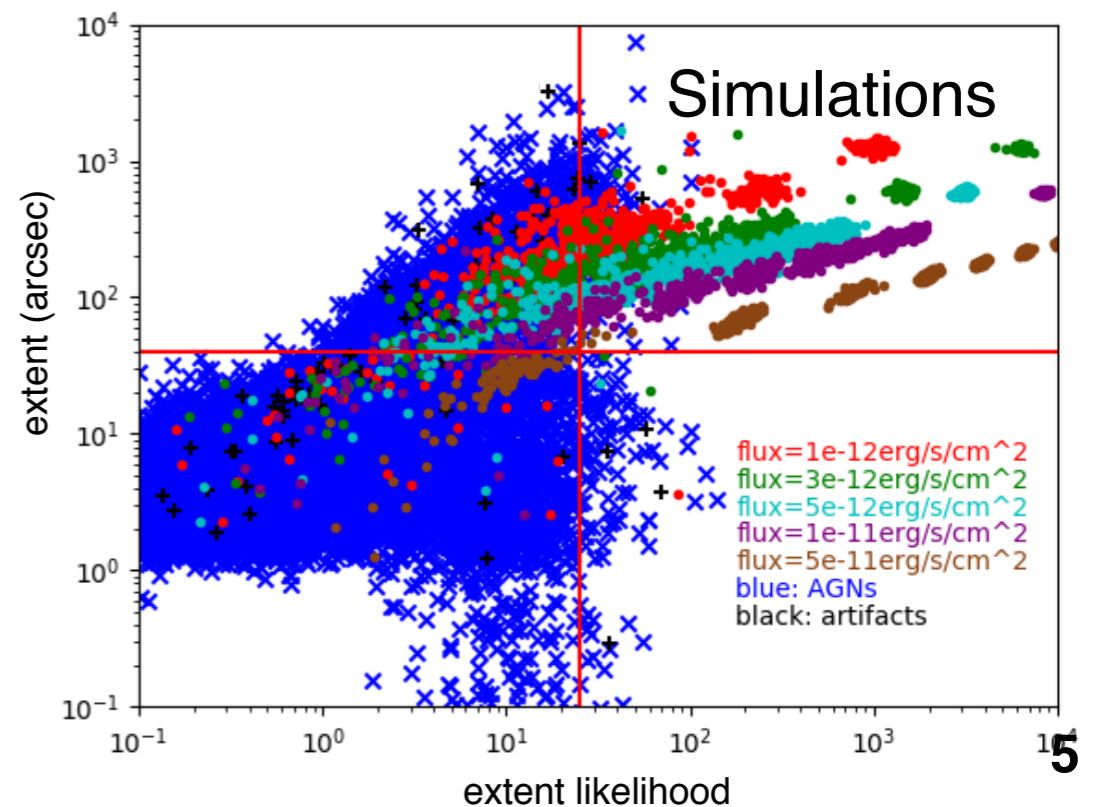
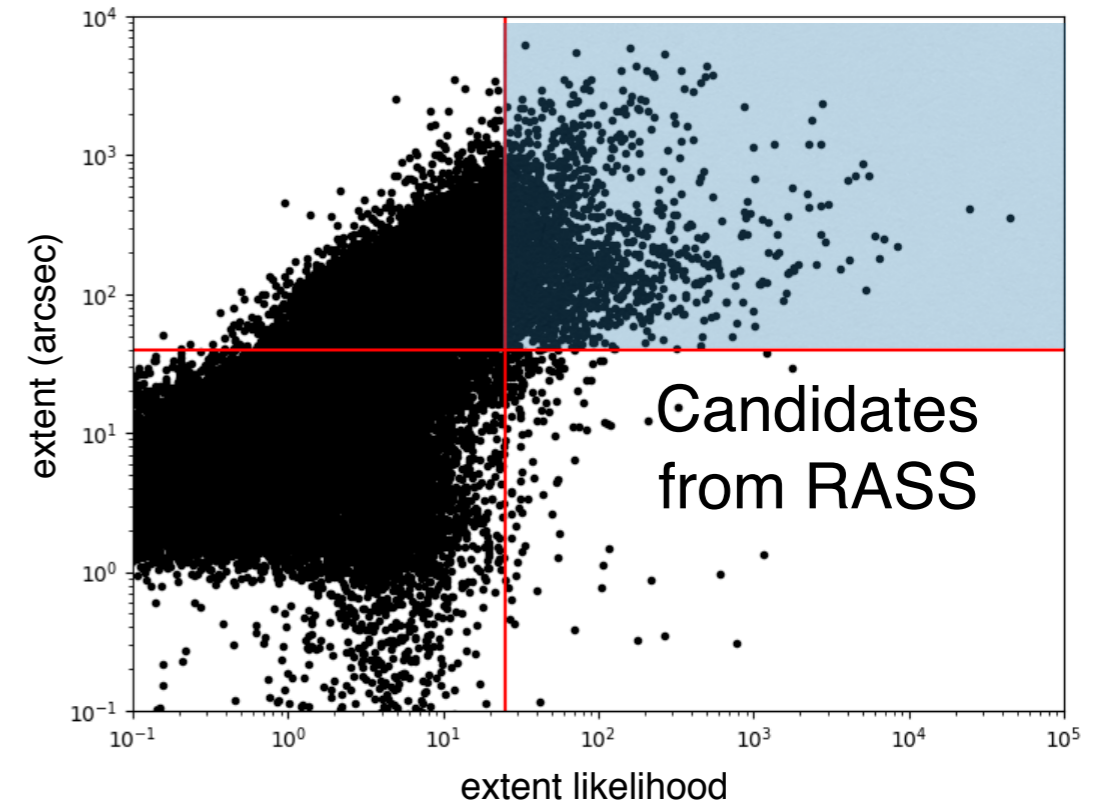
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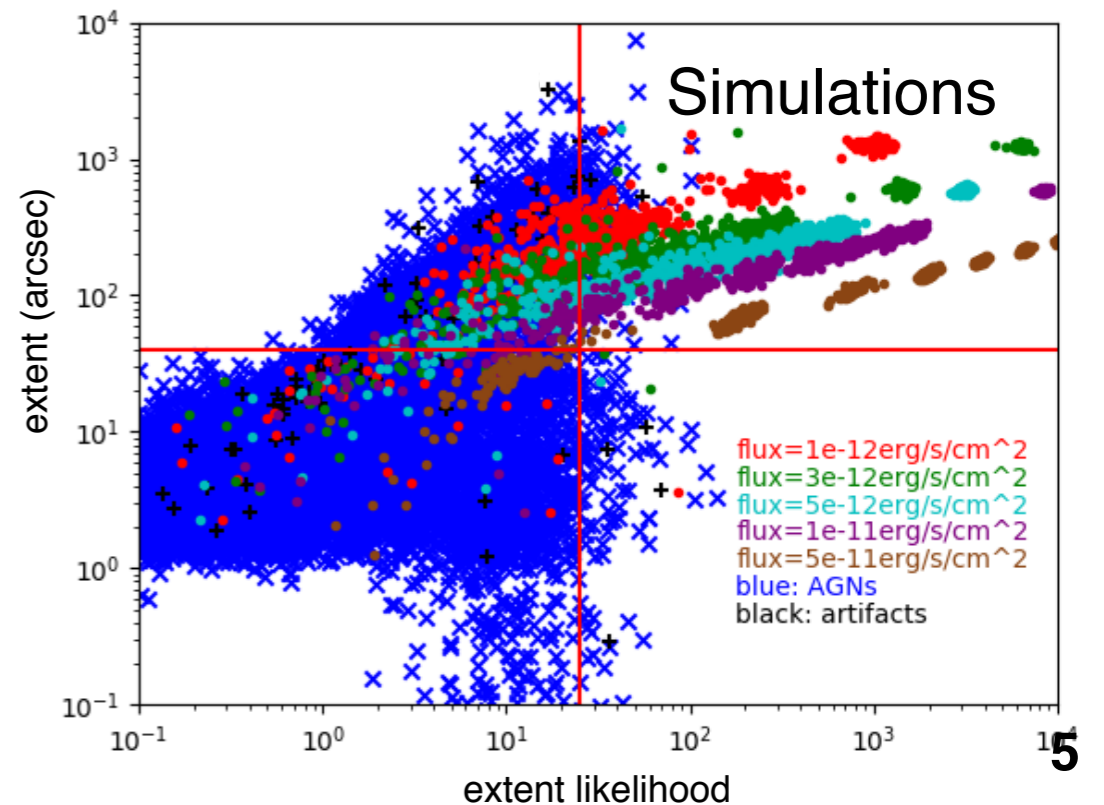
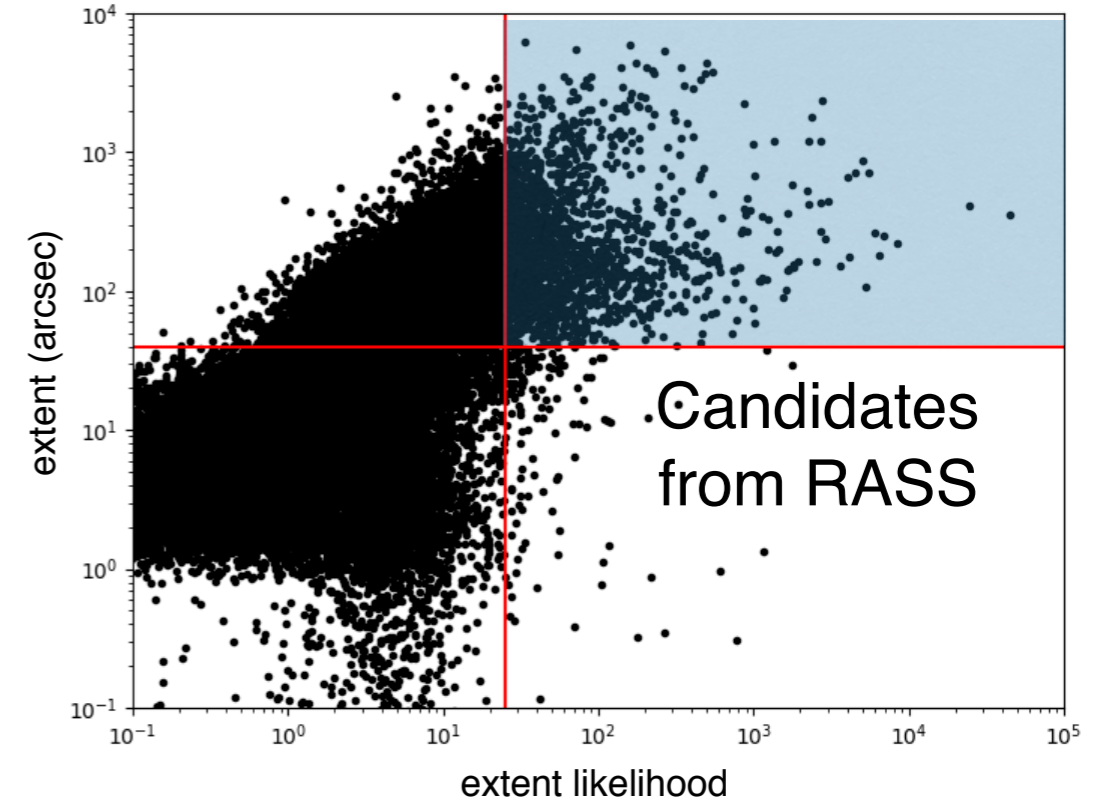
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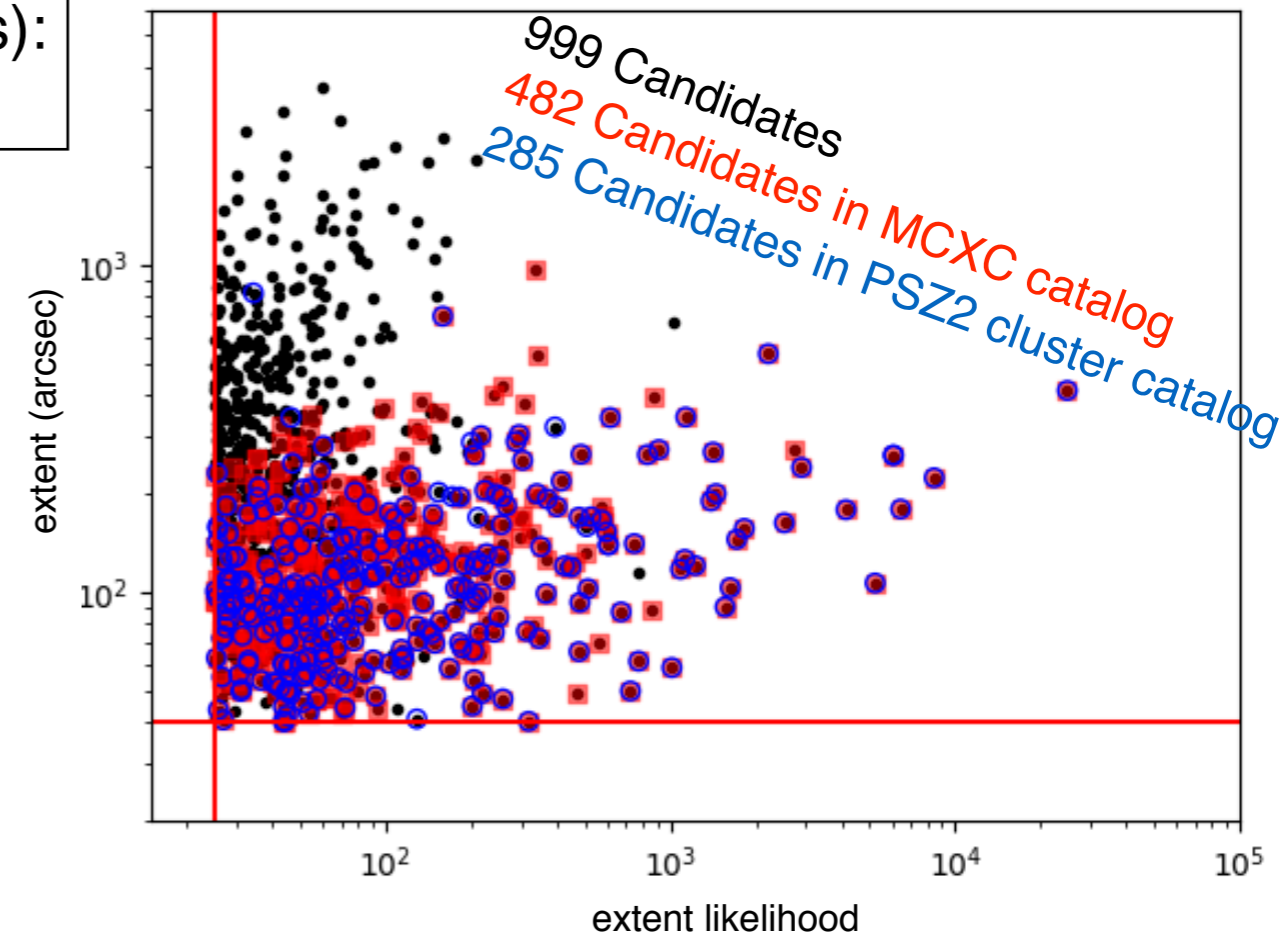
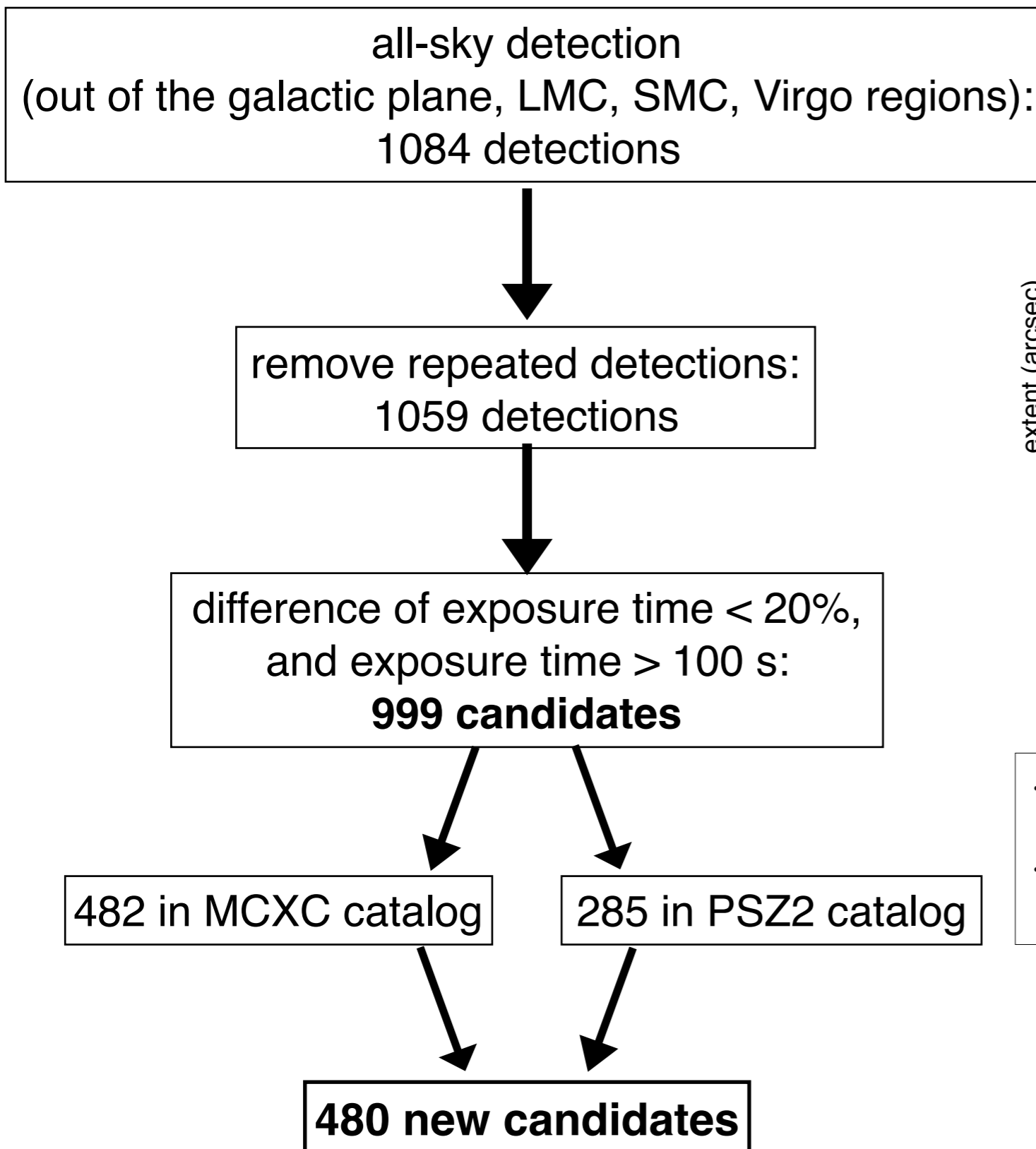
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Q: how to evaluate candidates?



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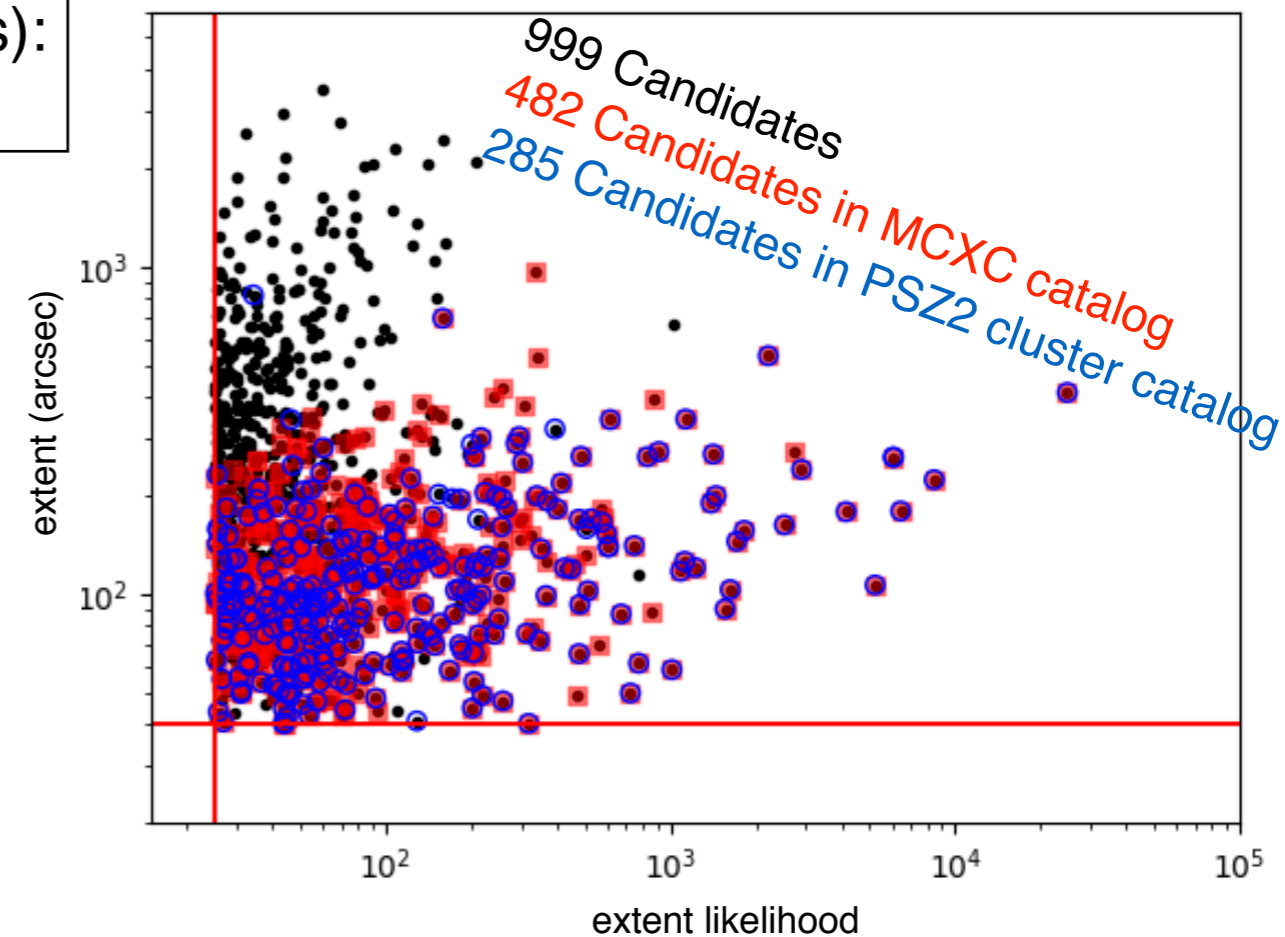
482 in MCXC catalog

285 in PSZ2 catalog

480 new candidates

Q1: are they real galaxy clusters?

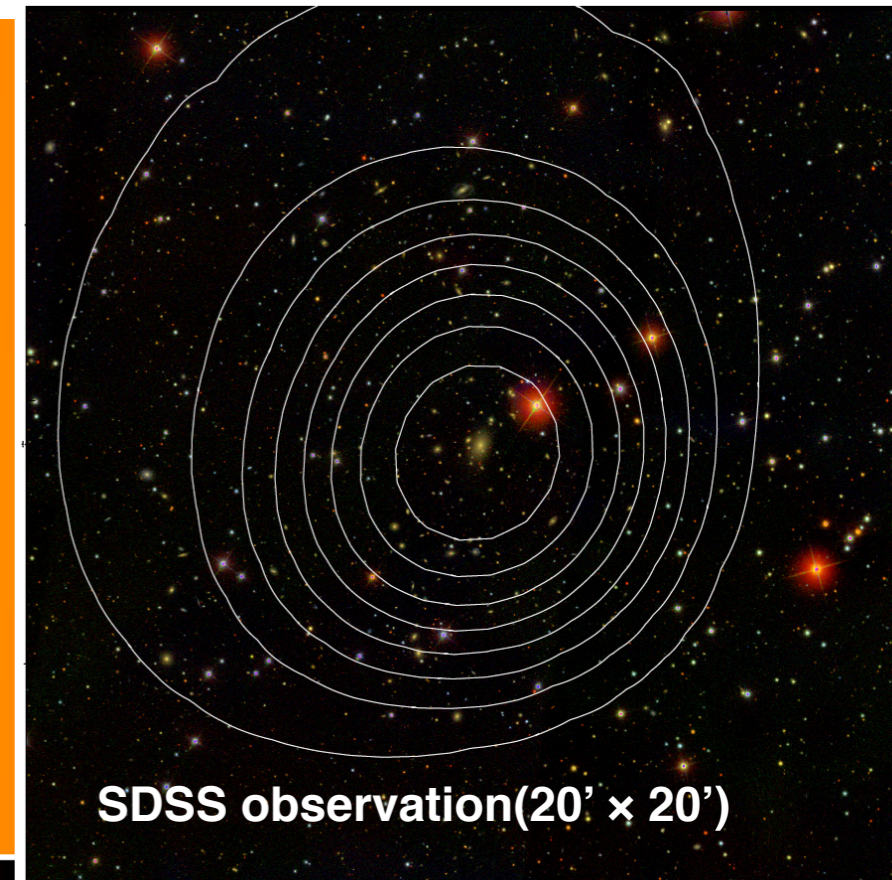
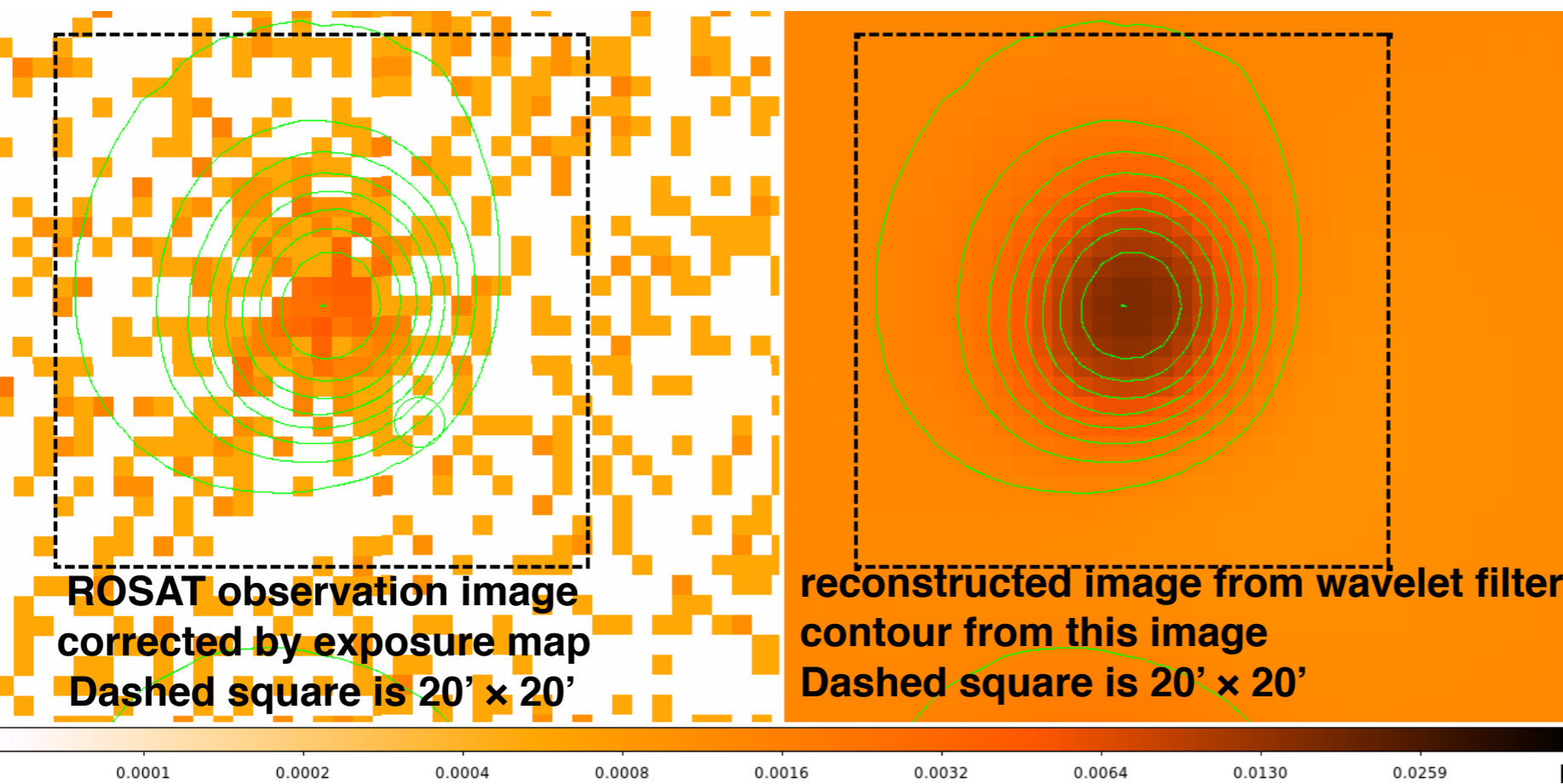
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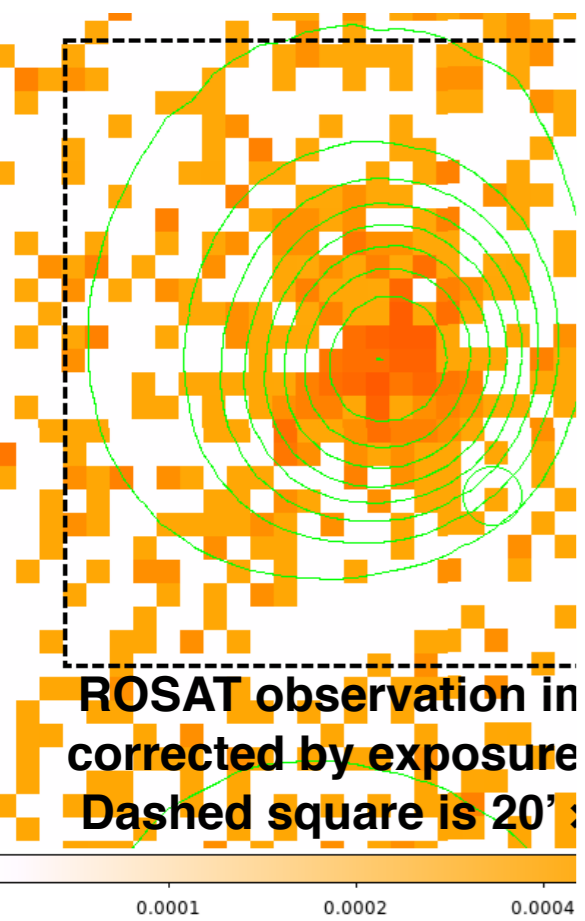


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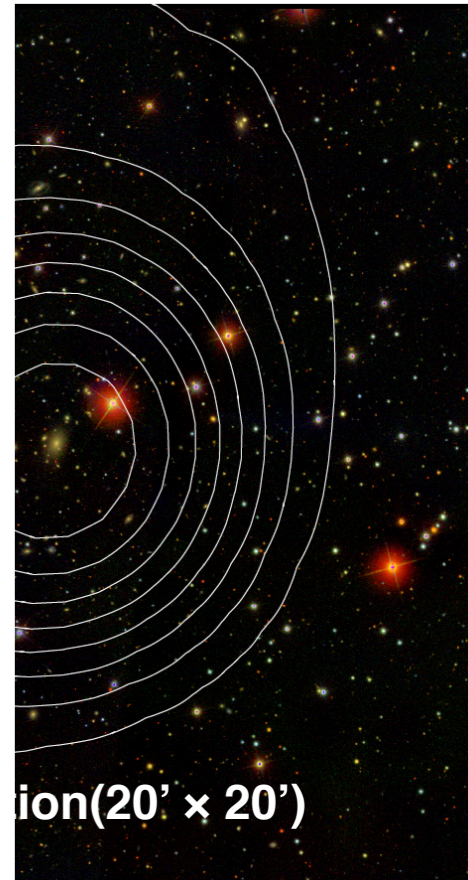
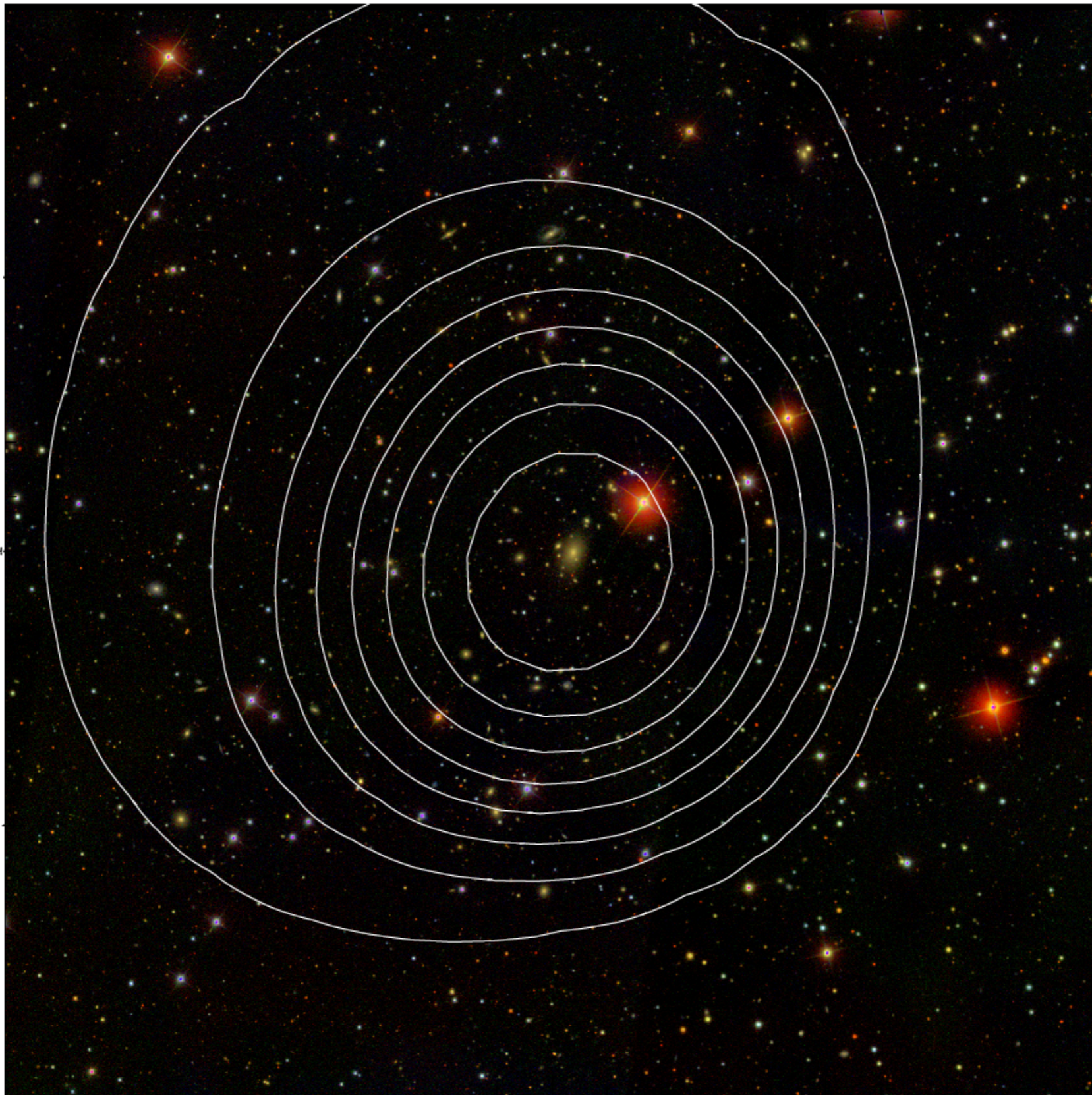
count rate = 0.16 counts/s, flux = 1.8×10^{-12} erg s⁻¹ cm⁻², extent = 55.67, extent likelihood = 71.23

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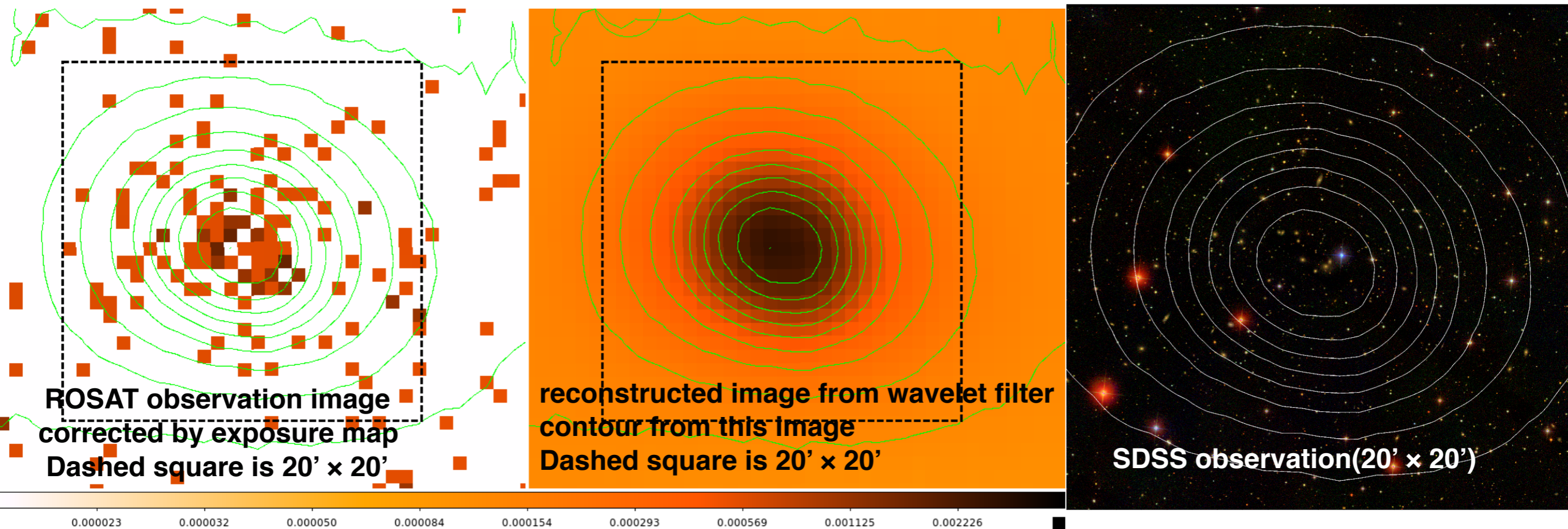
Example 1:
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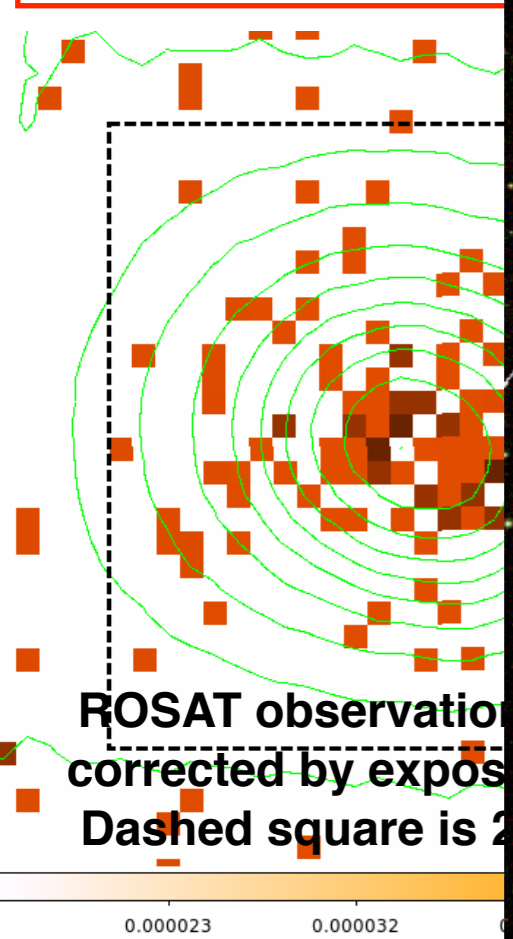


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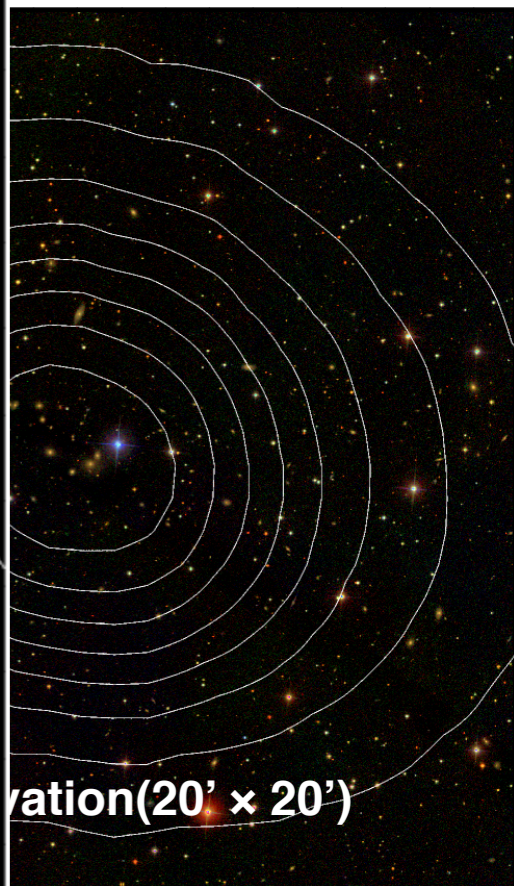
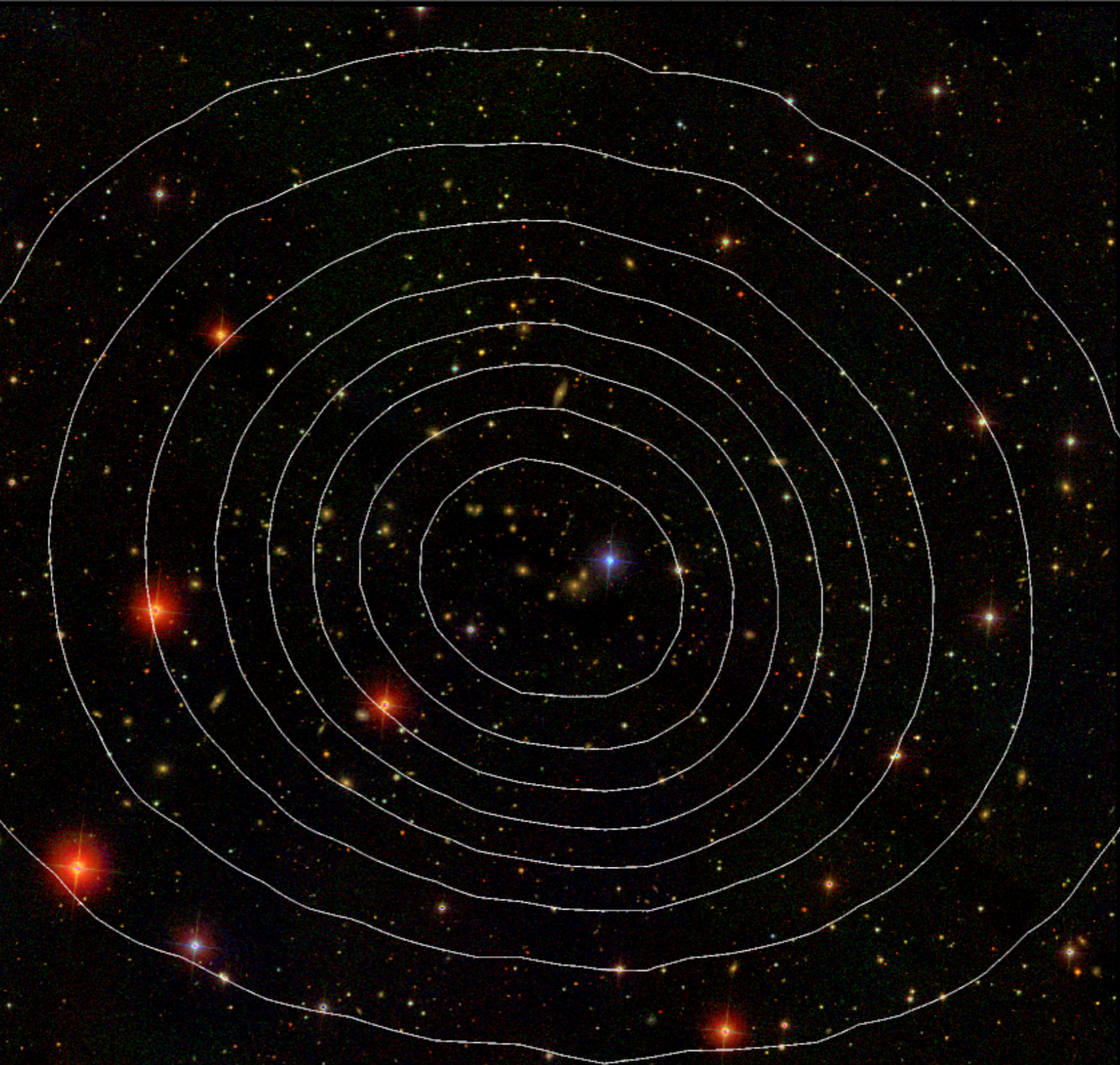
count rate = 0.26 counts/s, flux = 2.9×10^{-12} erg s⁻¹ cm⁻², extent = 91.75, extent likelihood = 60.31

New Candidates: Examples

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ROSAT observation
corrected by exposure
Dashed square is 2'

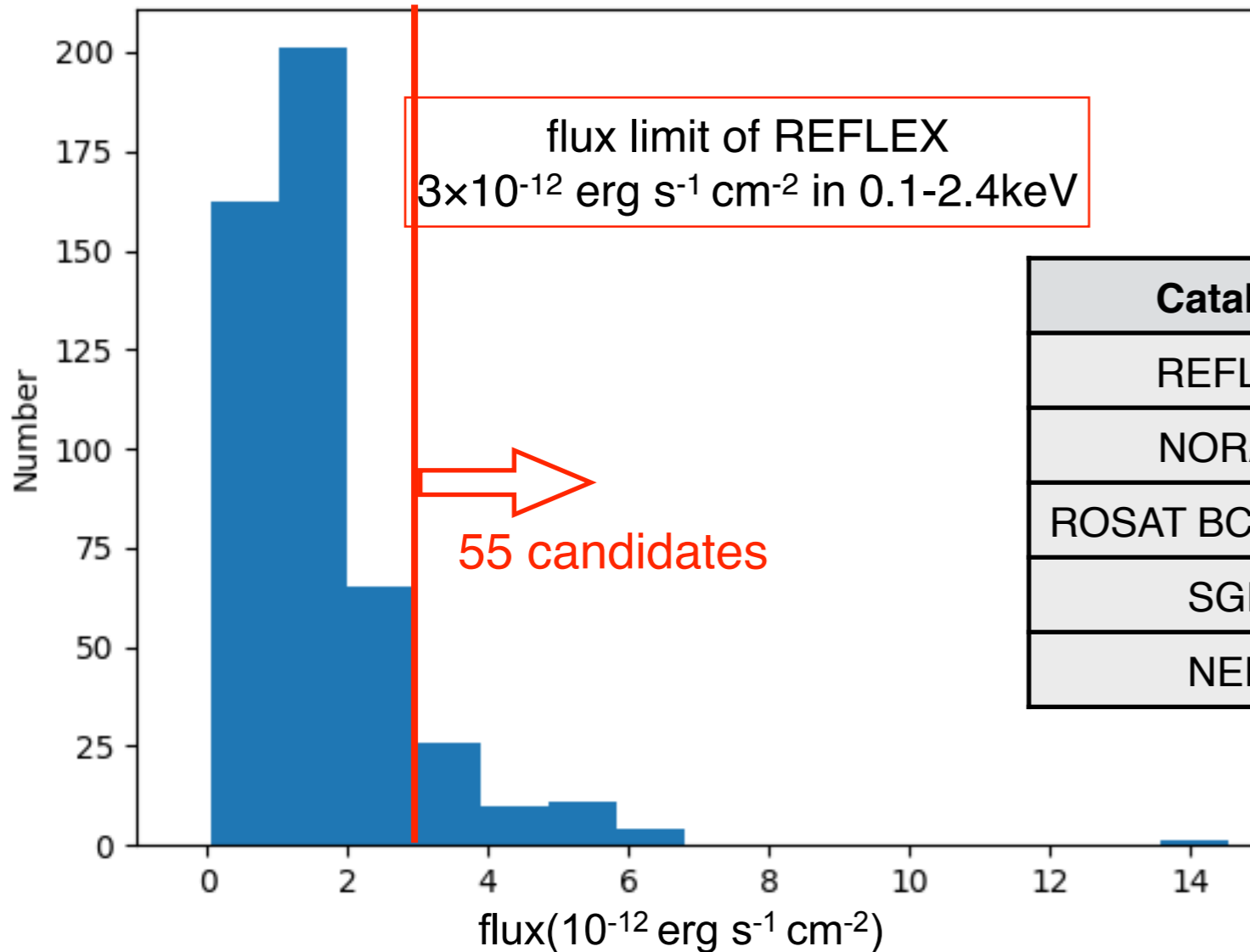


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Example 2:
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Preliminary flux distribution of new candidates

Q2: if real, why are they not detected before?



Catalog	Flux limit($\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$)	Energy band(keV)
REFLEX	3×10^{-12}	0.1–2.4
NORAS	0.06 cts/s	0.1–2.4
ROSAT BCS+eBCS	2.8×10^{-12}	0.1–2.4
SGP	1.5×10^{-12}	0.1–2.4
NEP	2×10^{-14}	0.5–2.0

Summary

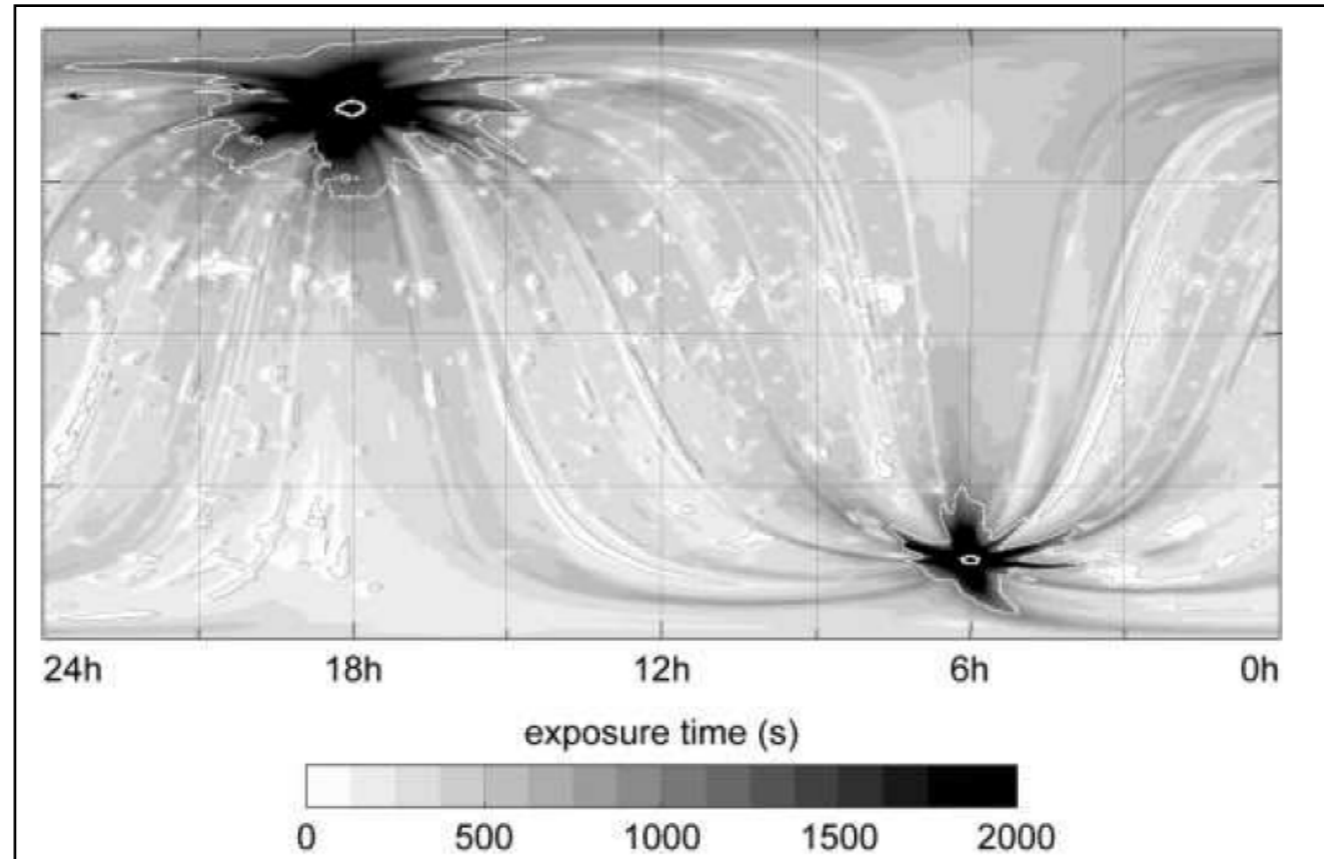
1. We use an optimised source detection and classification algorithm to search for very extended galaxy clusters within the RASS data.
2. The algorithm include wavelet filtering, source extraction, maximum likelihood fitting and visual inspection in optical wavelengths.
3. We expect that this work will increase the number of X-ray galaxy clusters and provide a better understanding on the possible incompleteness of X-ray selected cluster samples.

Thank you for your attention!

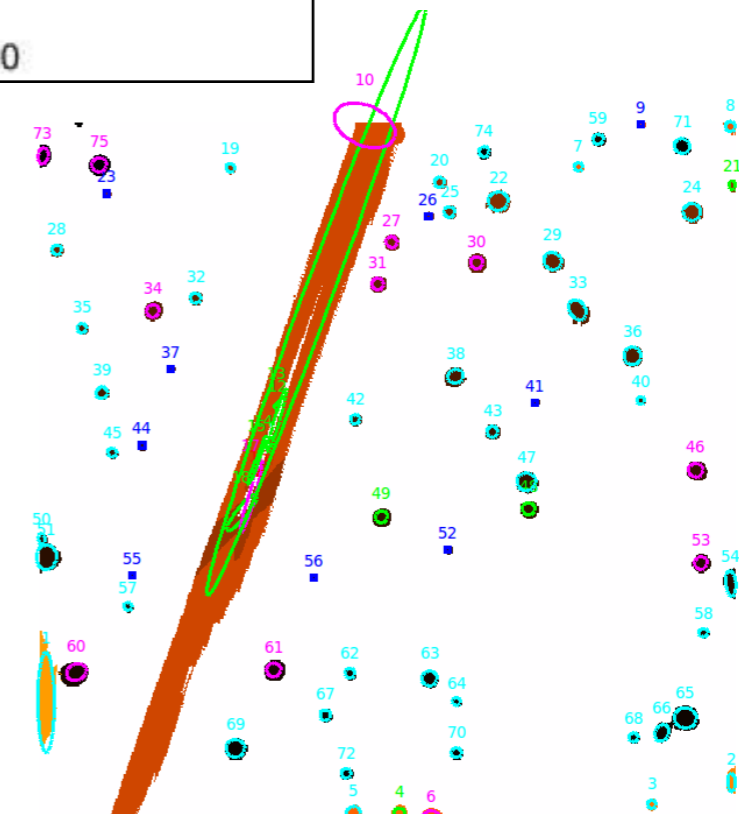
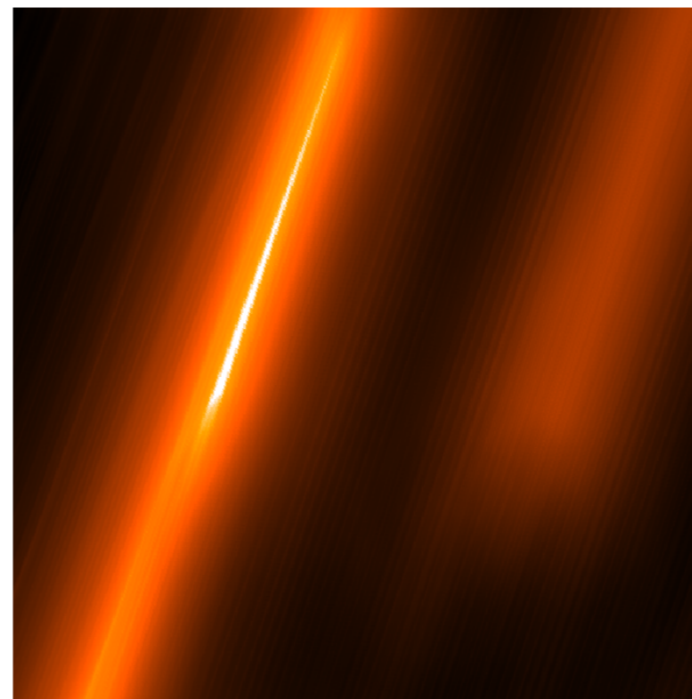
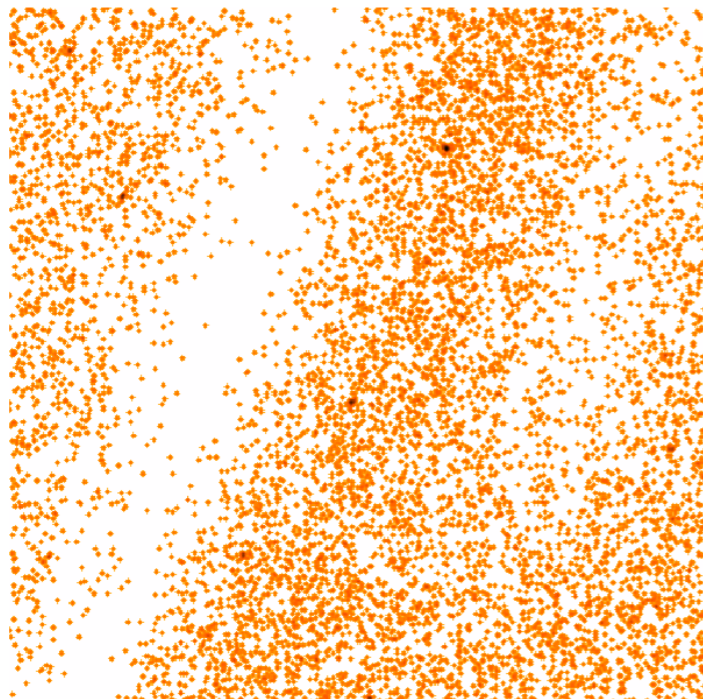
Questions or comments are welcome!

Backup slides

Exposure time problem



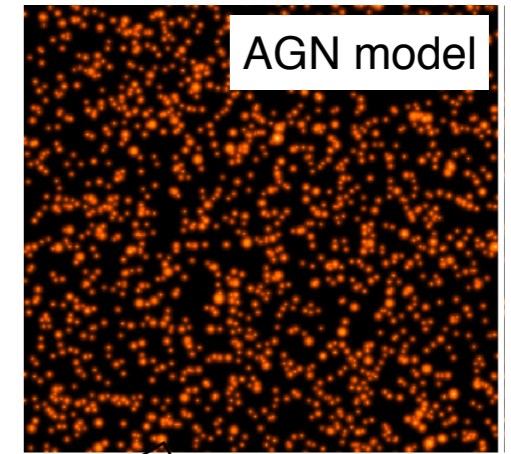
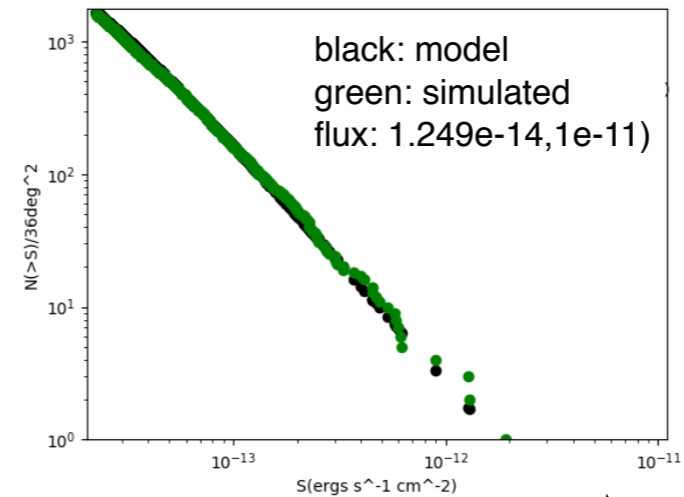
one tile: 6.4deg × 6.4deg



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$$N(> S) = N_{S(H)} \left[\frac{(2 \times 10^{-15})^{\alpha_{1,S(H)}}}{S^{\alpha_{1,S(H)}} + S_{0,S}^{\alpha_{1,S(H)} - \alpha_{2,S(H)}} S^{\alpha_{2,S(H)}}} \right] \text{ cgs}$$



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3. Other instrumental and background parameters:

Exposure time: 450 s

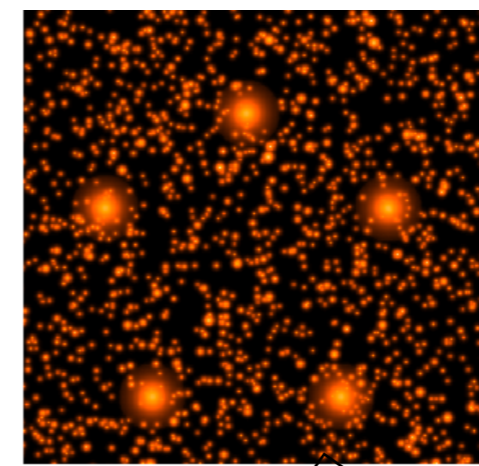
N_H : $5.945 \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

Background: 0.08 photon counts/pixel

Poisson noise

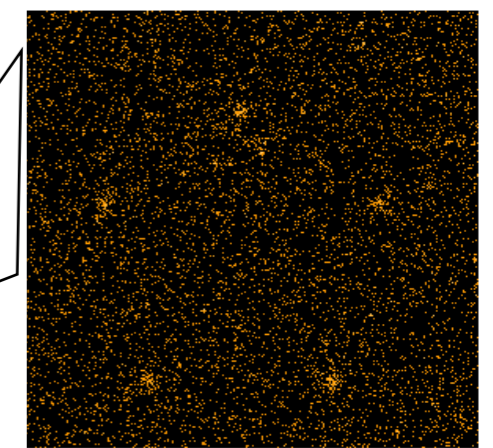
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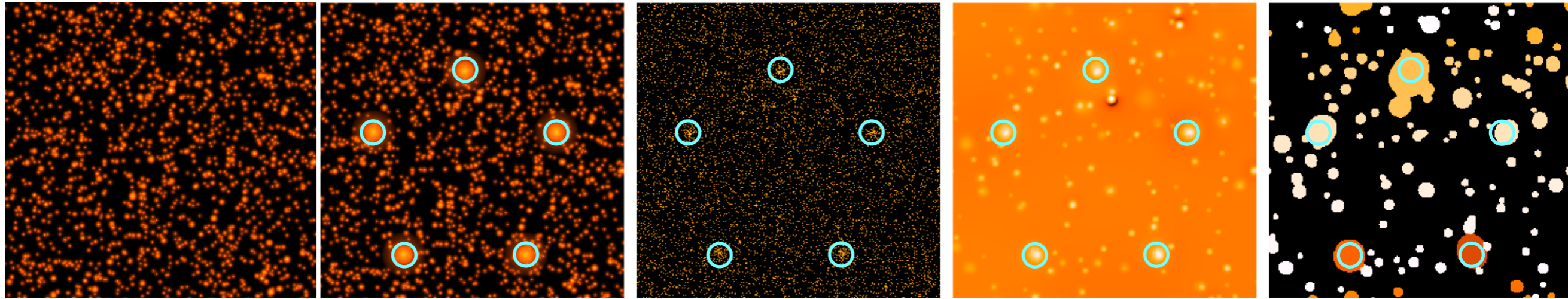
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One simulation example



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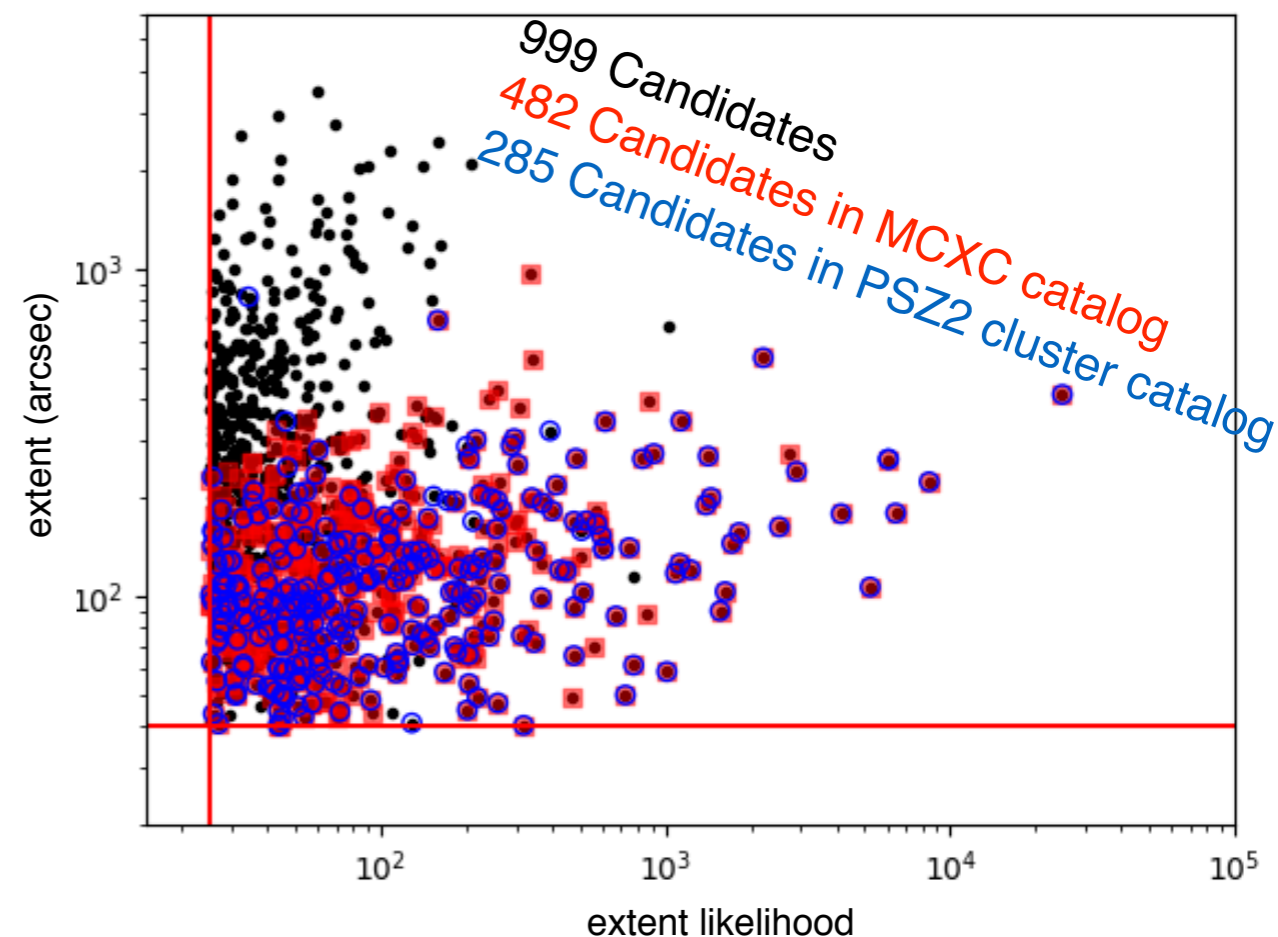
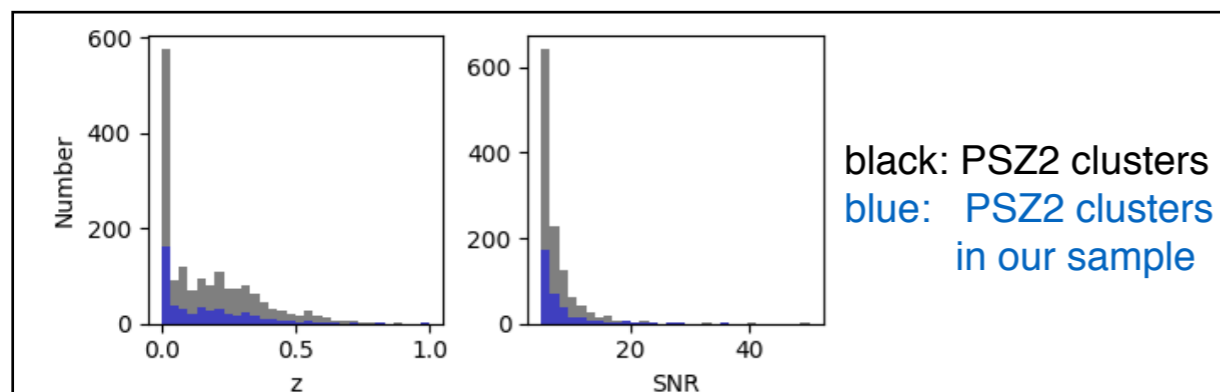
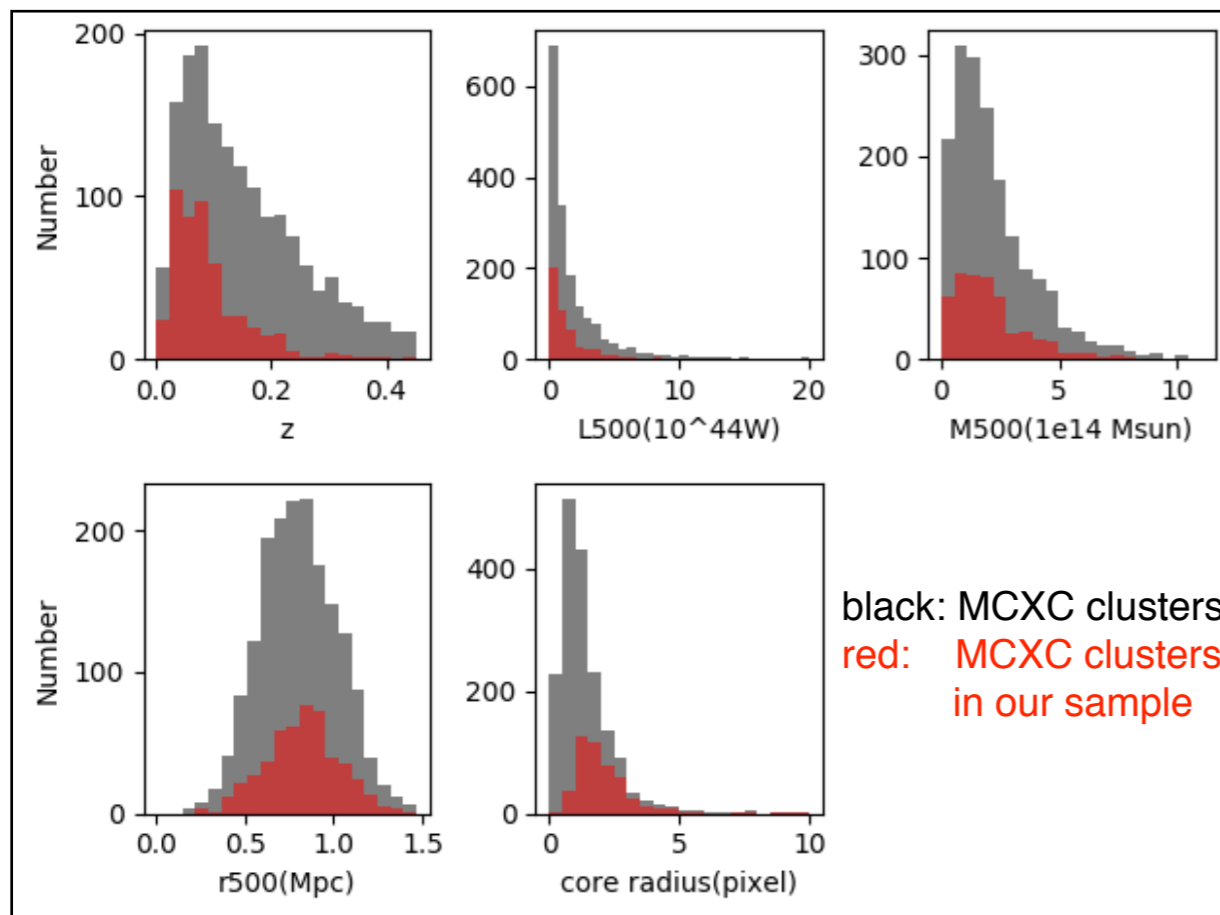
filtered image after
erwavelet

detection of
SExtractor

$$r_c = 5 \text{ pixel (3.75')}, \text{ flux}_{\text{cluster}} = 5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

cyan circles (radius = $3.5 r_c$)

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