



Simulations of Galaxy Cluster Radio Relics: Probes of Plasma Physics

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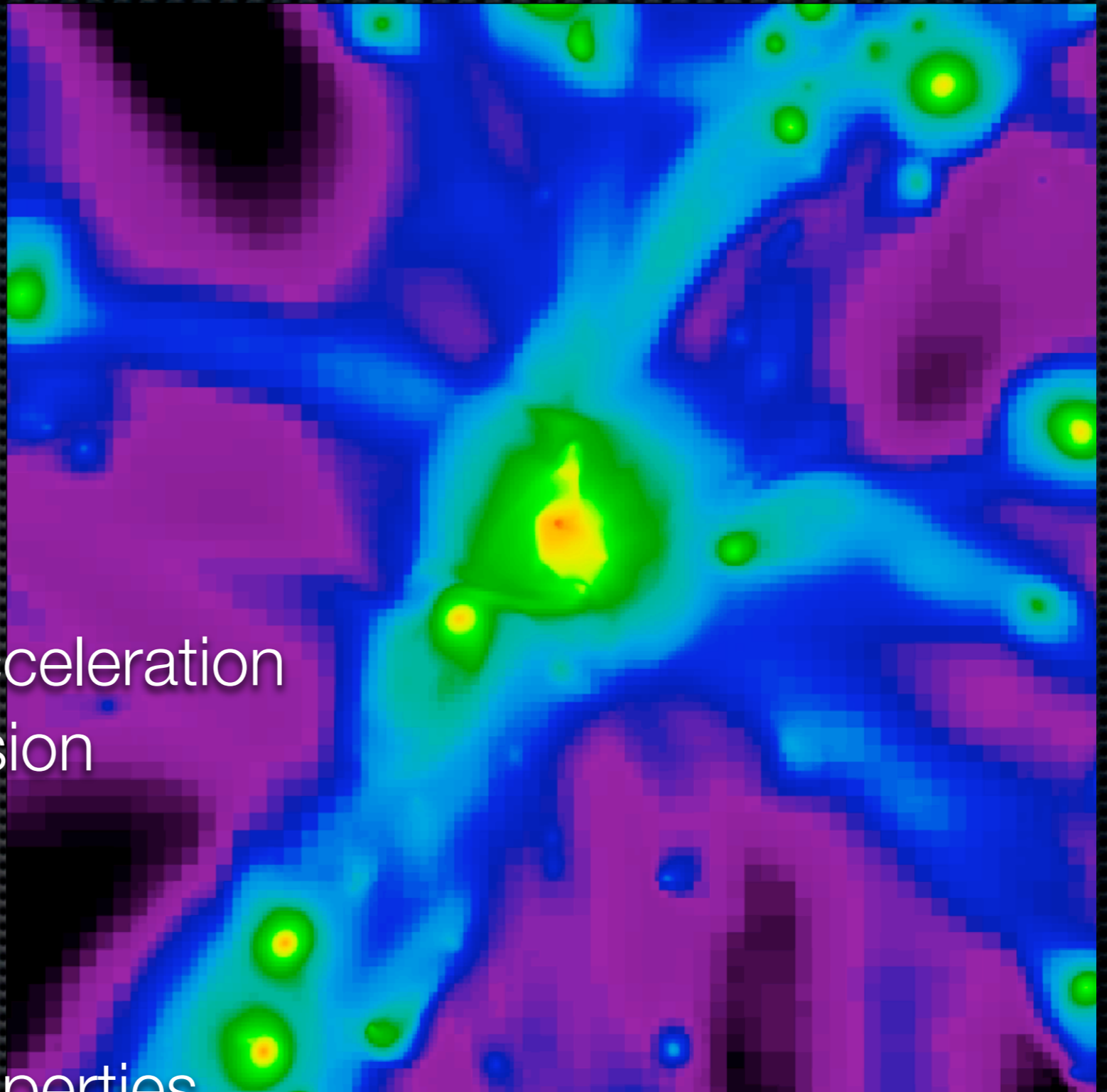
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Motivation

What is a radio relic?

- ✦ Diffuse radio emission
- ✦ Extended nature
- ✦ Exterior of cluster environment
- ✦ Moderately steep spectral shape
 - ✦ $S_\nu \propto \nu^{-\alpha}$ $\alpha \approx 1$
- ✦ Associated with disturbed galaxy clusters
- ✦ Not associated with any radio point sources or AGN



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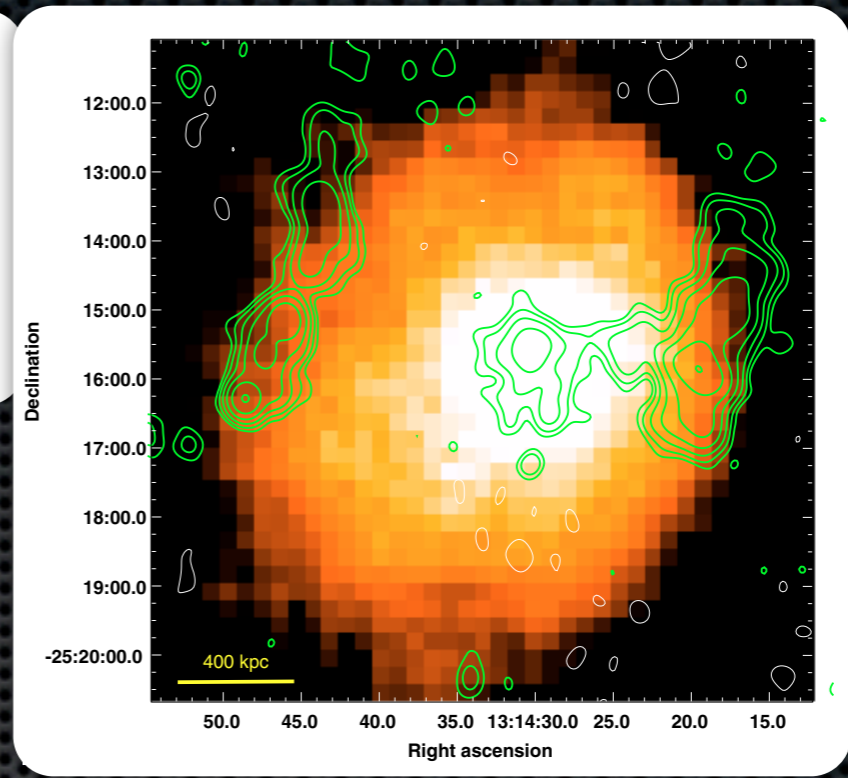
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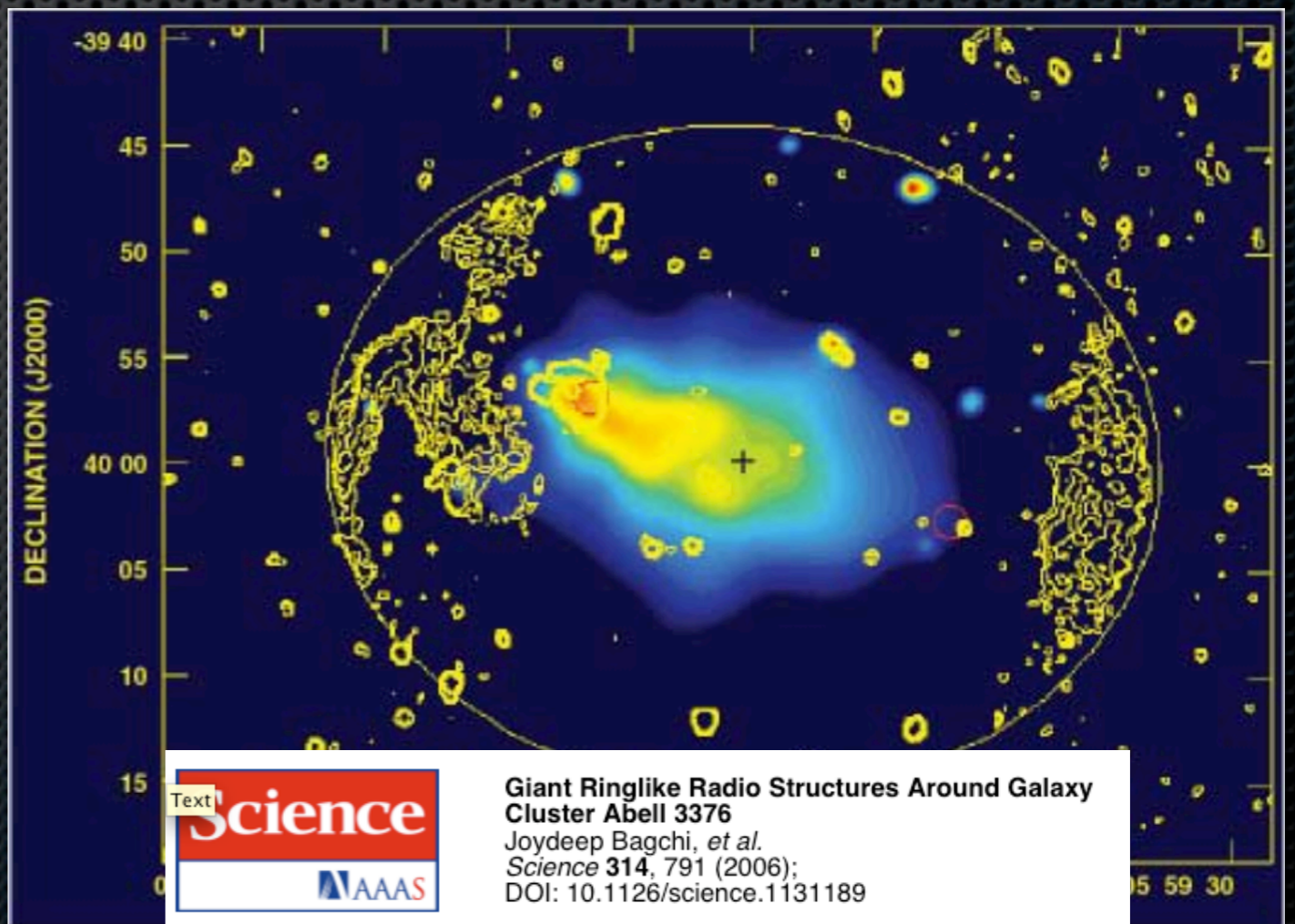
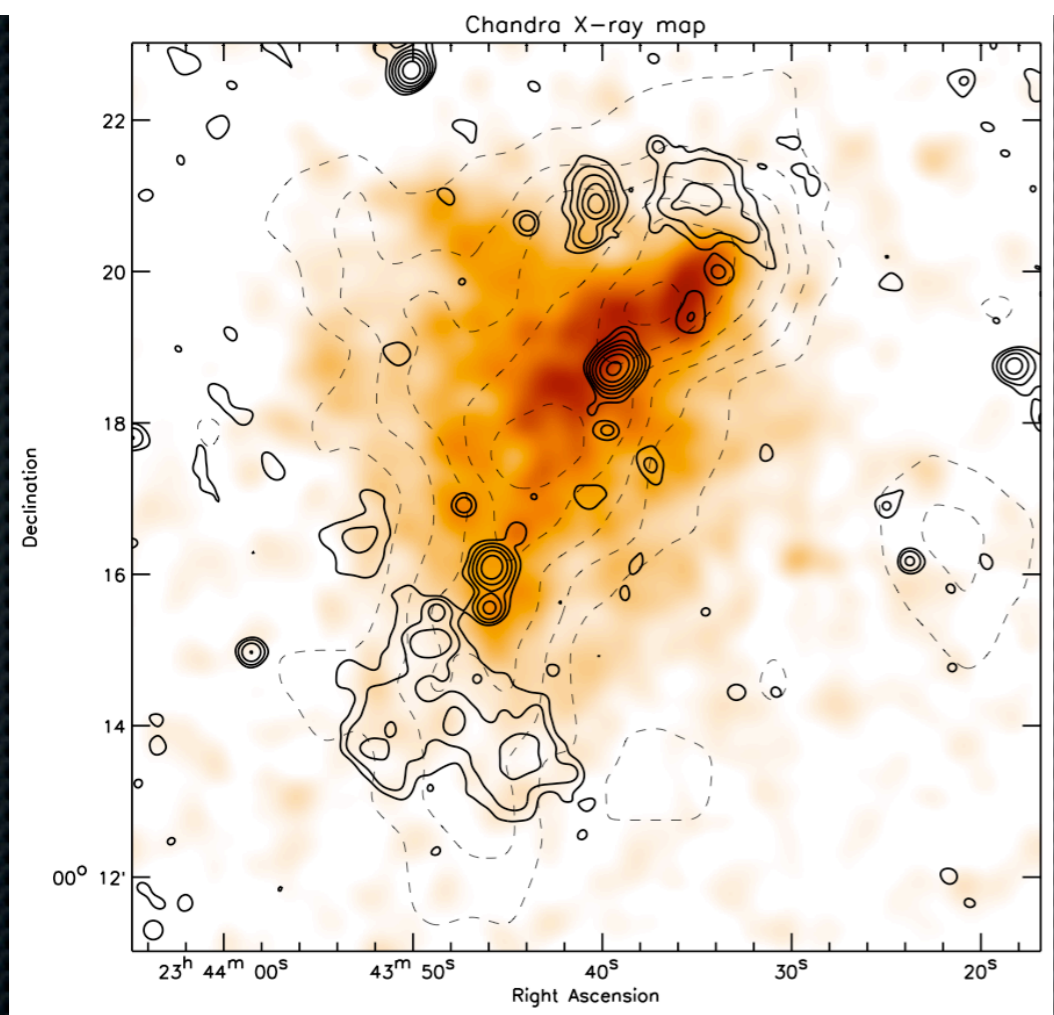
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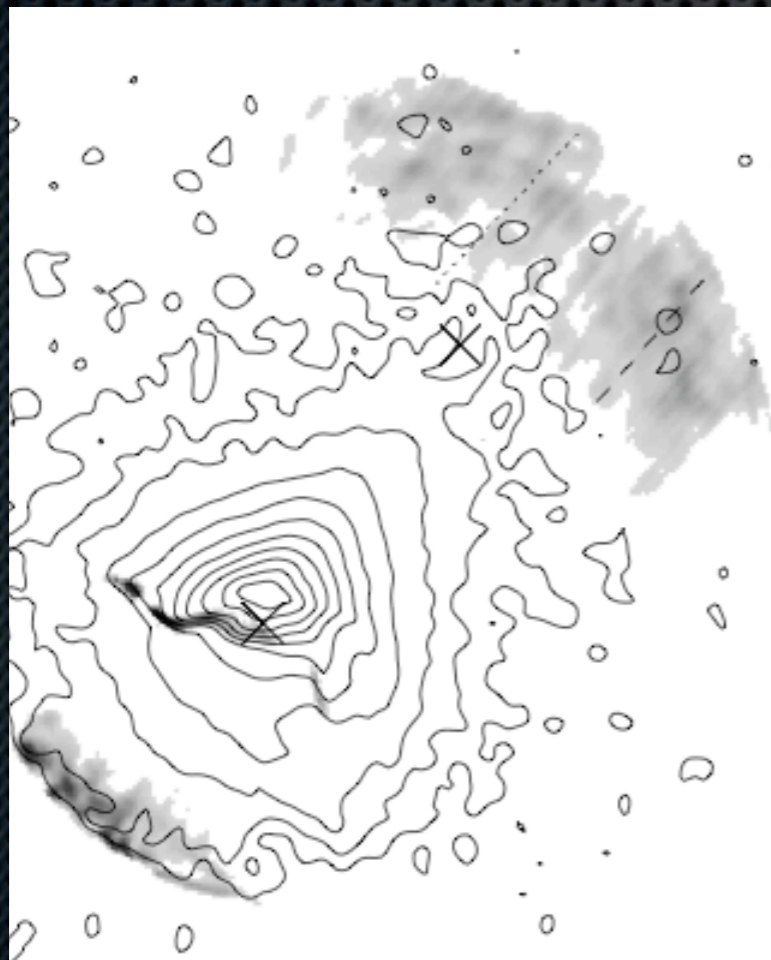
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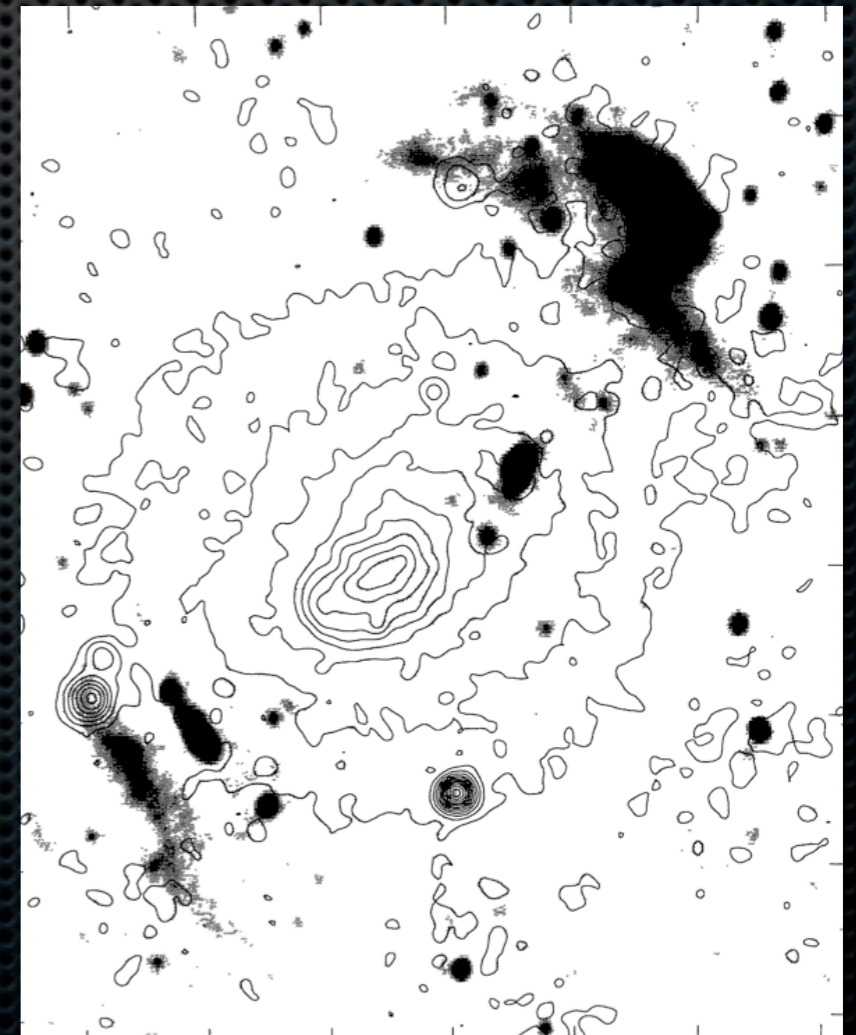
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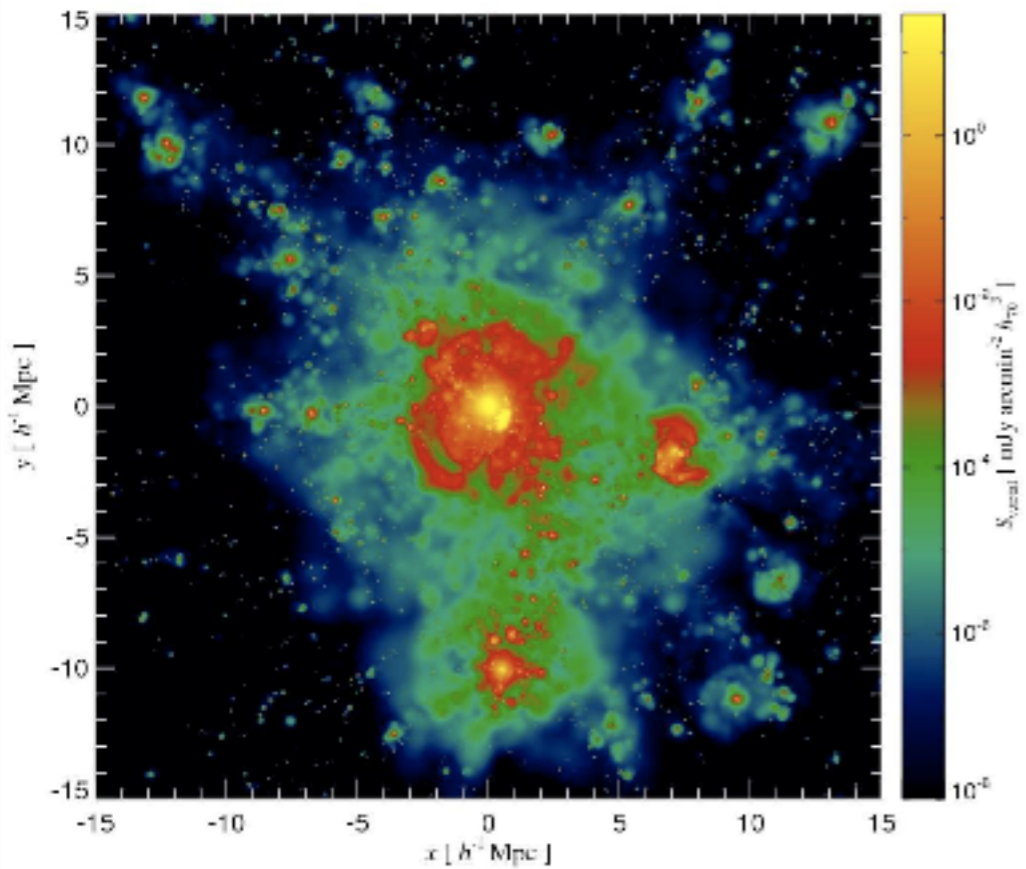
Simulating cosmic rays in clusters of galaxies – II. A unified scheme for radio halos and relics with predictions of the γ -ray emission

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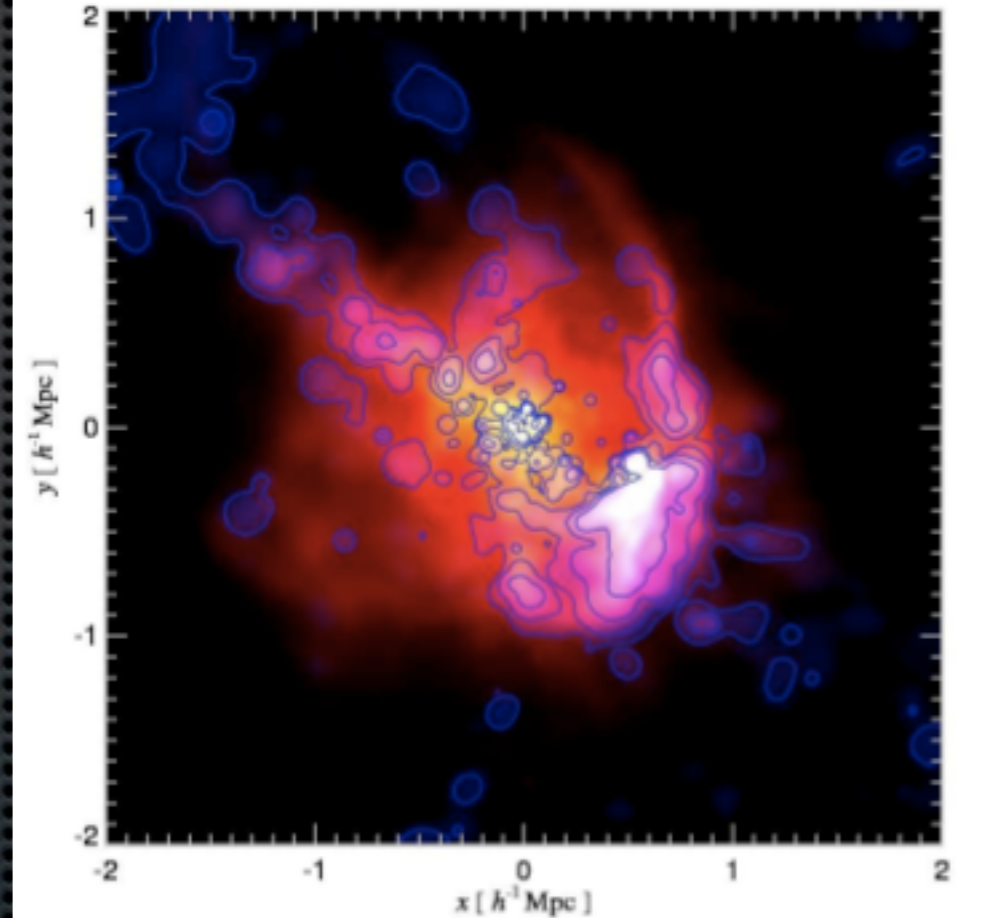
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Total radio synchrotron emission, 150 MHz:



Radio Gischt at shocks



Exploring the magnetized cosmic web through low frequency radio emission

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Diffuse radio emission from clusters in the MareNostrum Universe simulation

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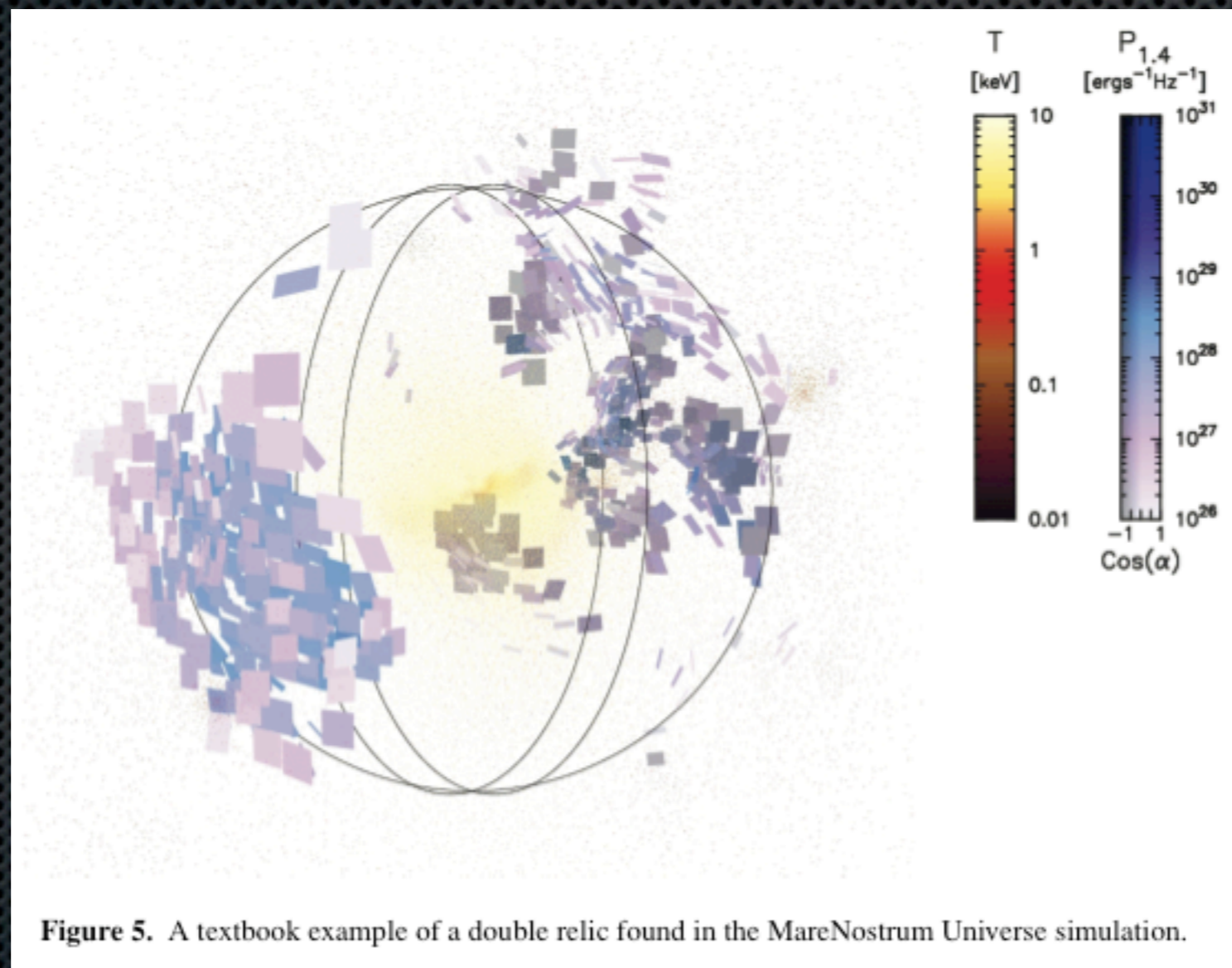


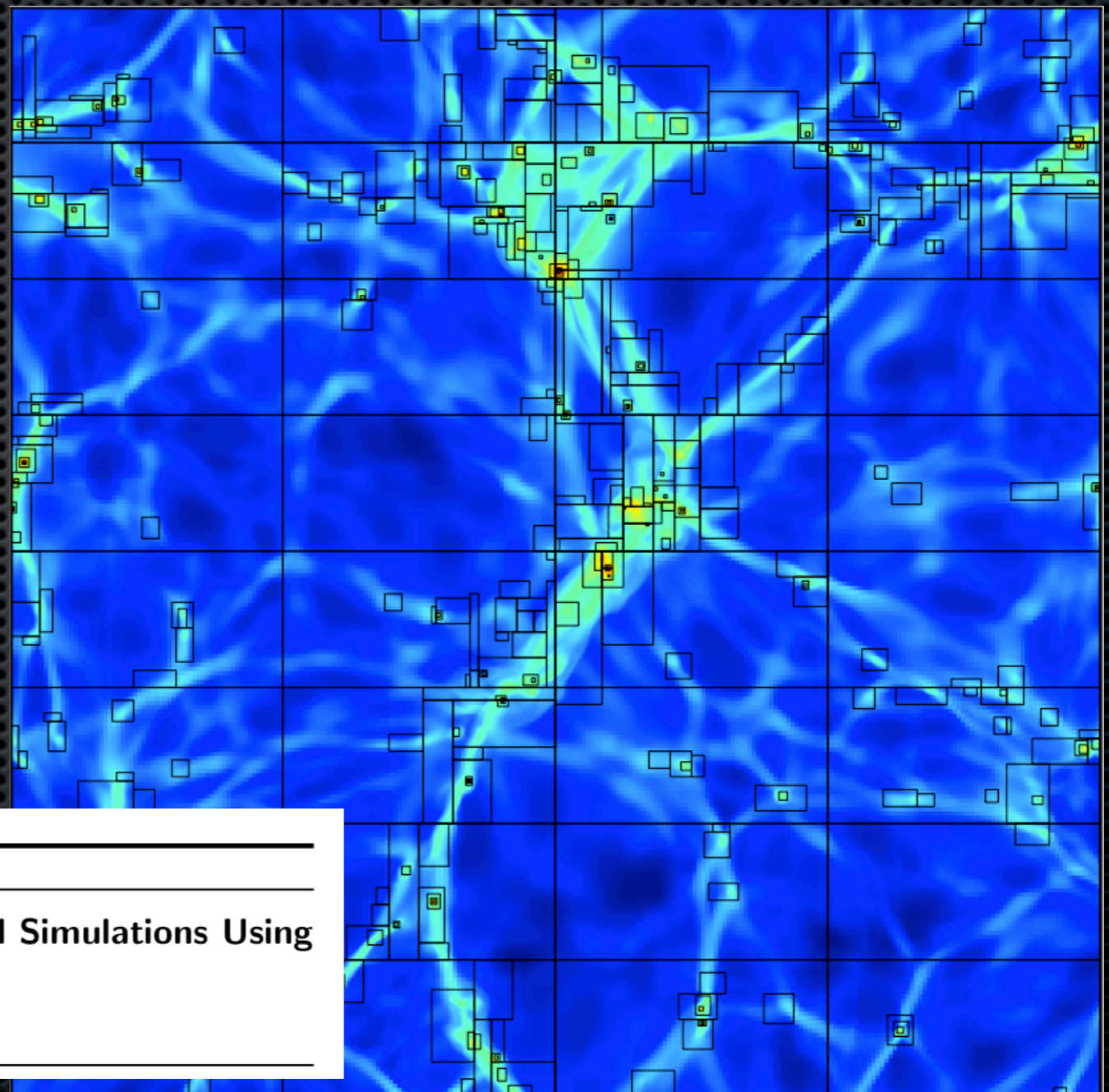
Figure 5. A textbook example of a double relic found in the MareNostrum Universe simulation.

Methods

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- ✦ Adaptive Mesh Refinement (AMR) Hydrodynamics
- ✦ Dark Matter N-Body -- Particle-Mesh Method
- ✦ Piecewise Parabolic Method (PPM) & Zeus Finite Difference



SciPy08 conference proceedings

Analysis and Visualization of Multi-Scale Astrophysical Simulations Using Python and NumPy

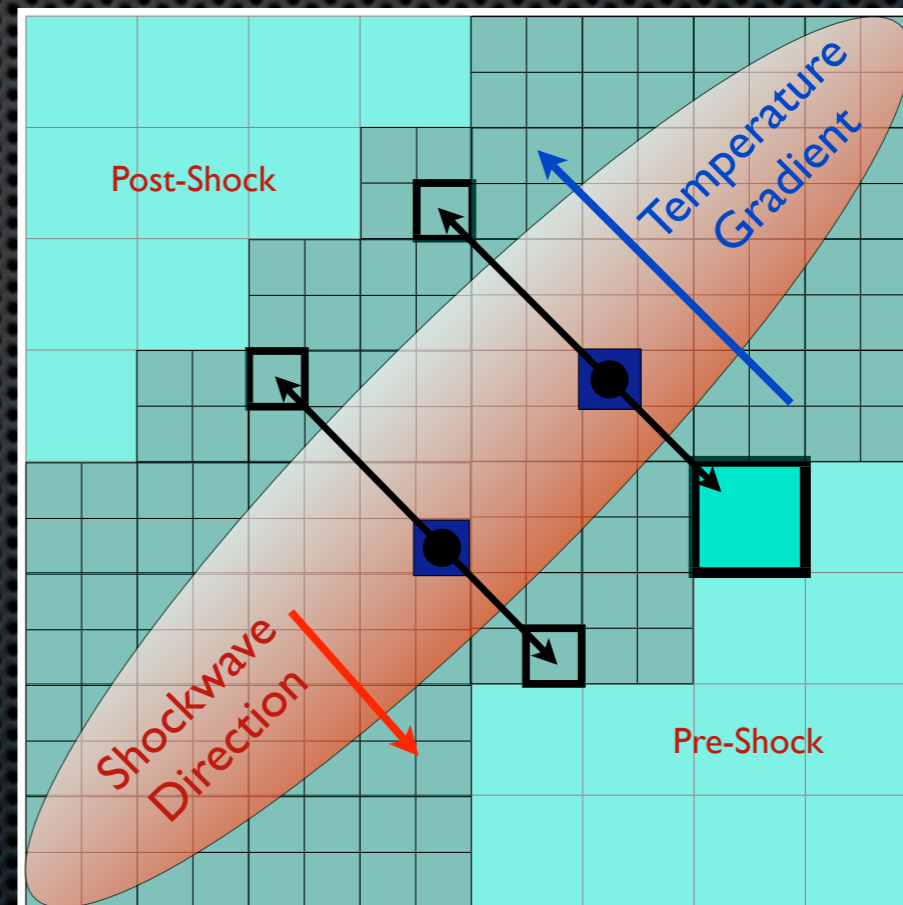
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Shock Finding & Characterizing

- Converging Gas
- Entropy increases across shockwave
- Rankine-Hugoniot Jump Conditions
- Set minimum temperature to 10^4K

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \vec{v} &< 0 \\ \nabla T \cdot \nabla S &> 0 \\ T_2 &> T_1 \\ \rho_2 &> \rho_1,\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{(5\mathcal{M}^2 - 1)(\mathcal{M}^2 + 3)}{16\mathcal{M}^2},$$



Cosmic Rays: Diffusive Shock Acceleration

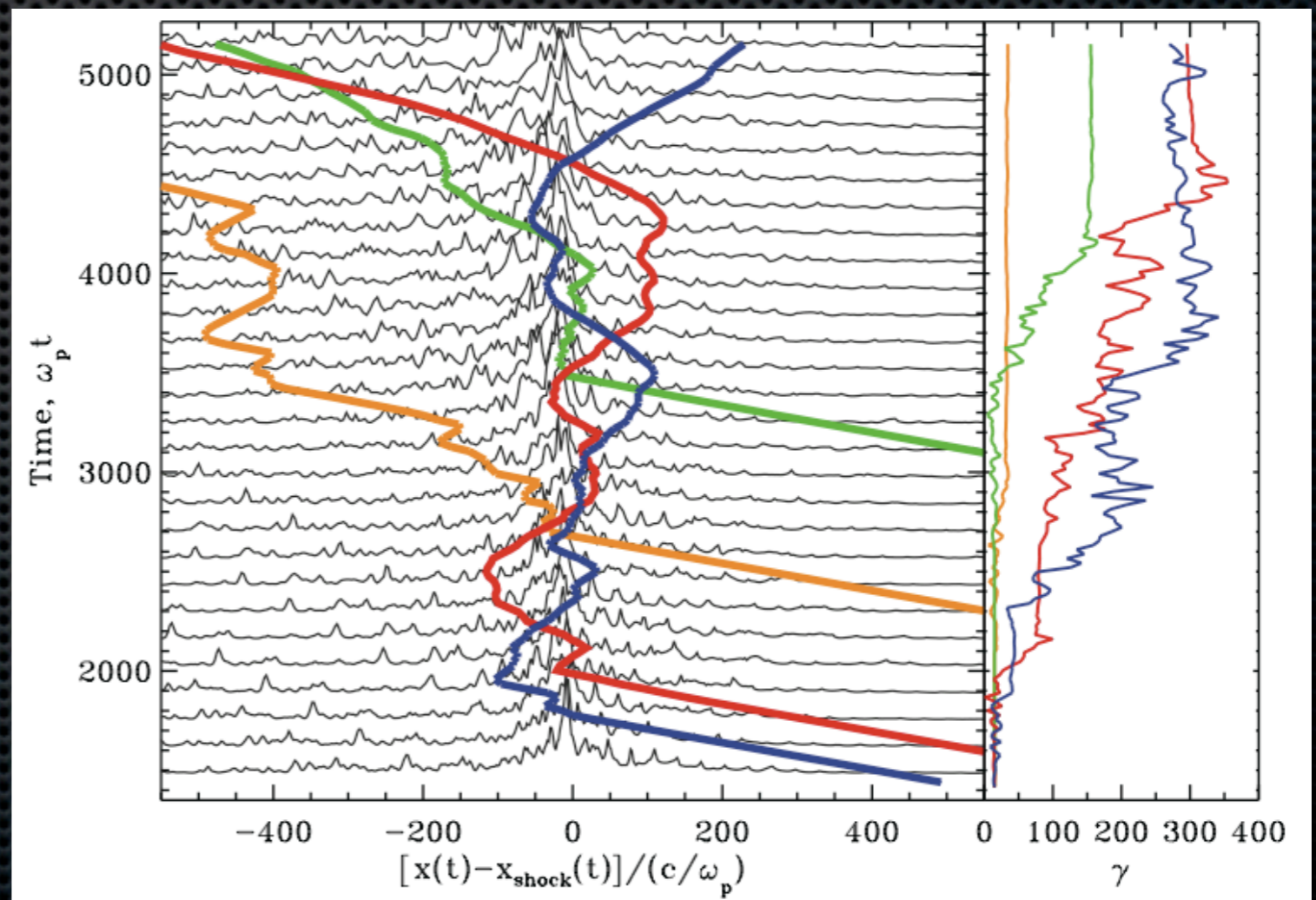
- First-order Fermi acceleration at shock fronts
- Kinetic Energy of the shock \longrightarrow Cosmic Rays
- What efficiency does this have?

Anatoly Spitkovsky (2008)

$$N(E) \propto E^{-\delta}$$

$$\delta = 2 \frac{\mathcal{M}^2 + 1}{\mathcal{M}^2 - 1} + 1$$

$$\alpha = (\delta - 1)/2$$



Synchrotron Emission

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Radio signature of cosmological structure formation shocks

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$$n_E(E) \equiv \frac{dn_e}{dE} = \begin{cases} n_e C_{\text{spec}} \frac{1}{m_e c^2} \tilde{e}^{-s} \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{e}}{\tilde{e}_{\text{max}}}\right)^{s-2} & : \tilde{e} < \tilde{e}_{\text{max}} \\ 0 & : \text{elsewhere} \end{cases},$$

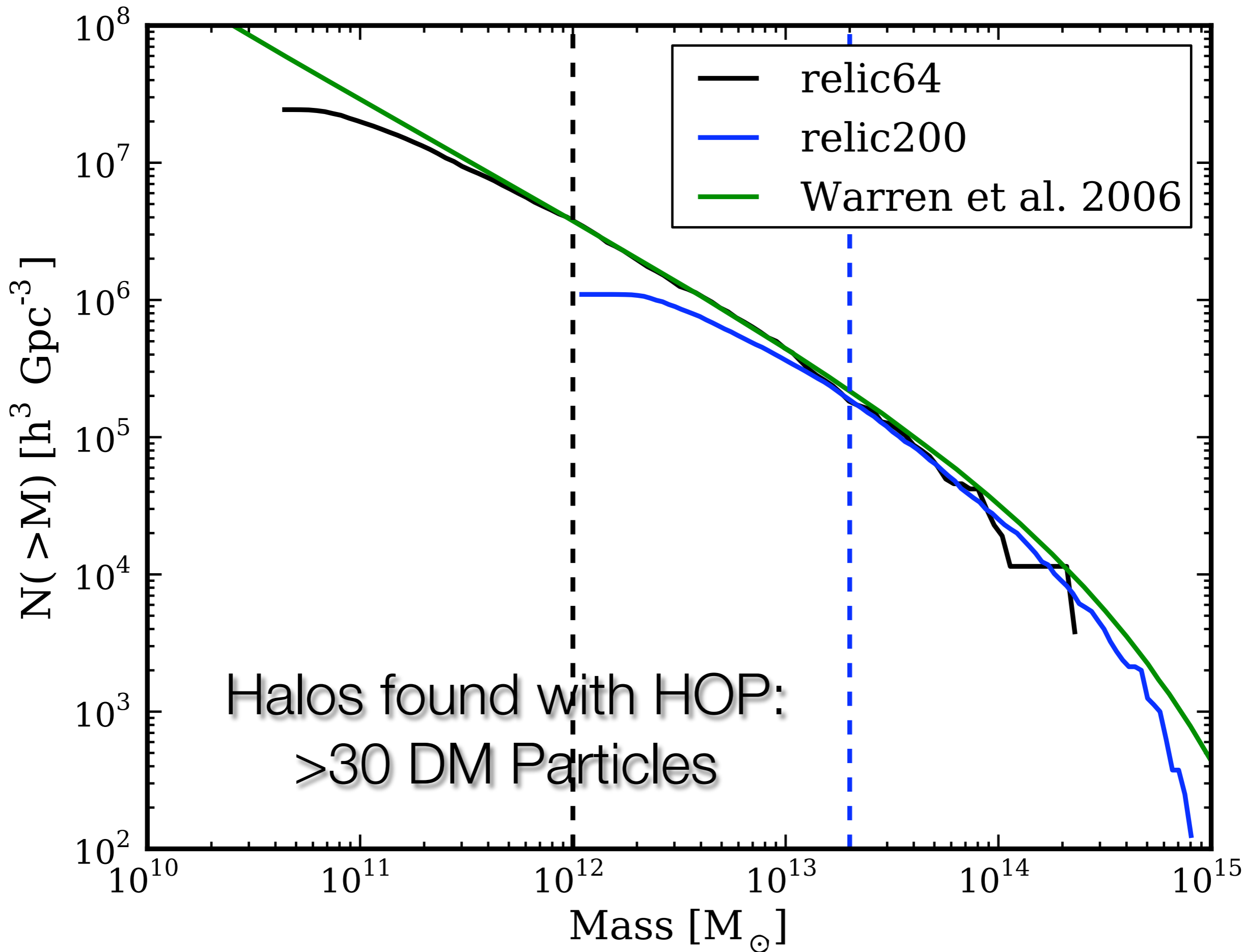
$$r = \rho_2 / \rho_1$$

$$s = \frac{r + 2}{r - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP(\nu_{\text{obs}})}{d\nu} &= A n_e C_{\text{spec}}^p C_{\text{sync}} \left(\frac{B}{\mu\text{G}}\right)^{s/2} \left(\frac{1.4 \text{ GHz}}{\nu_{\text{obs}}}\right)^{s/2} \frac{\sqrt{u_d}}{C_{\text{cool}}} \frac{1}{C_{\Psi}} \Psi(\mathcal{M}) \\ &= 6.4 \times 10^{34} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \frac{A}{\text{Mpc}^2} \frac{n_e}{10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \frac{\xi_e}{0.05} \left(\frac{\nu_{\text{obs}}}{1.4 \text{ GHz}}\right)^{-s/2} \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{T_d}{7 \text{ keV}}\right)^{3/2} \frac{(B/\mu\text{G})^{1+(s/2)}}{(B_{\text{CMB}}/\mu\text{G})^2 + (B/\mu\text{G})^2} \Psi(\mathcal{M}) \end{aligned}$$

The Simulations

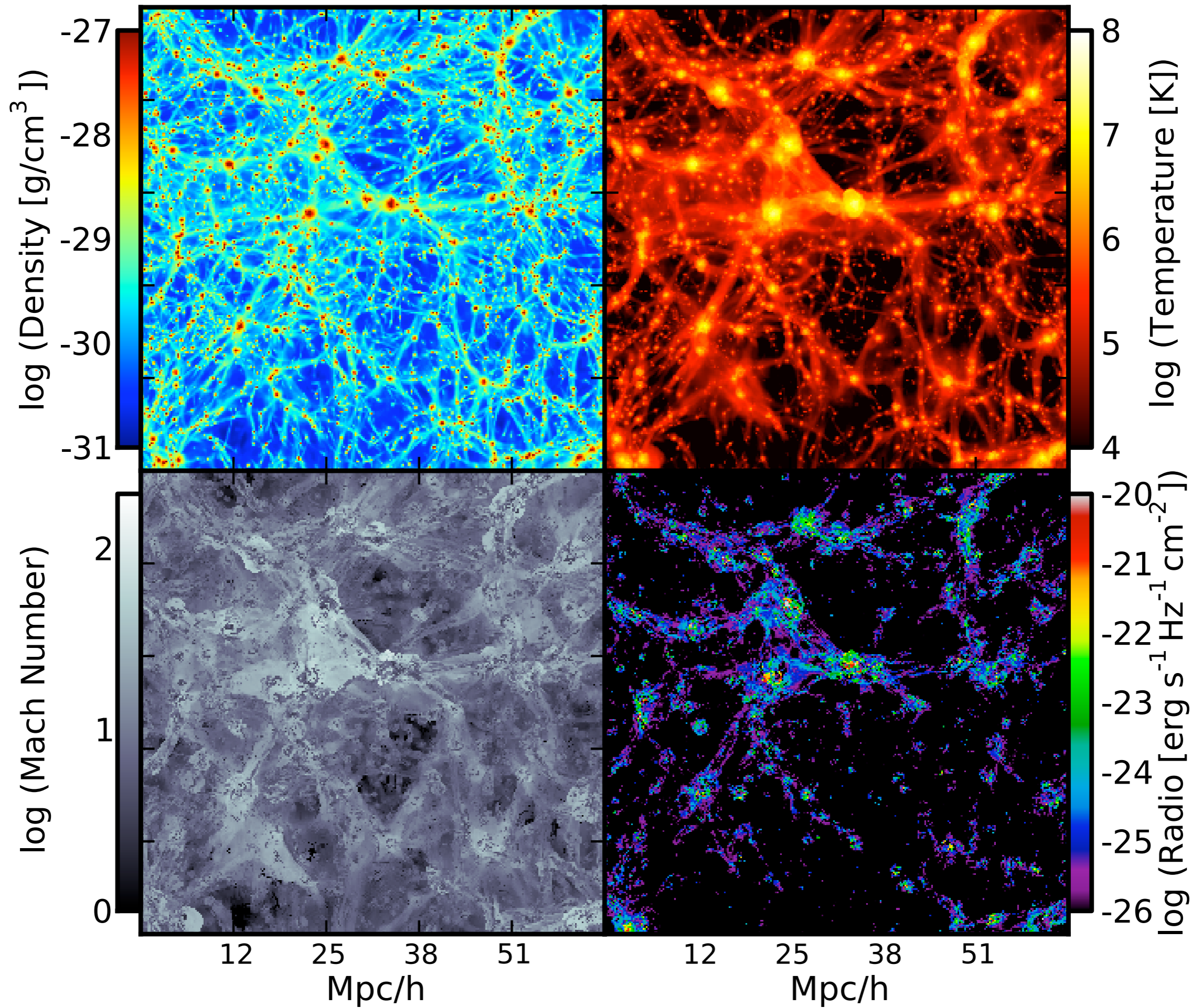
- ✦ *relic64*
 - ✦ (64 Mpc/h)³ Volume
 - ✦ 256³ Root Grid
 - ✦ Up to 6 levels of refinement
 - ✦ 3.9 kpc/h Peak Resolution
 - ✦ DM Mass
 - $1.96 \times 10^9 h^{-1} M_{\odot}$
 - ✦ ~300,000 cpu hours on 256 cpus
- ✦ *relic200*
 - ✦ (200 Mpc/h)³ Volume
 - ✦ 256³ Root Grid
 - ✦ Up to 5 levels of refinement
 - ✦ 24.4 kpc/h Peak Resolution
 - ✦ DM Mass
 - $6.23 \times 10^{10} h^{-1} M_{\odot}$
 - ✦ ~100,000 cpu hours on 128 cpus

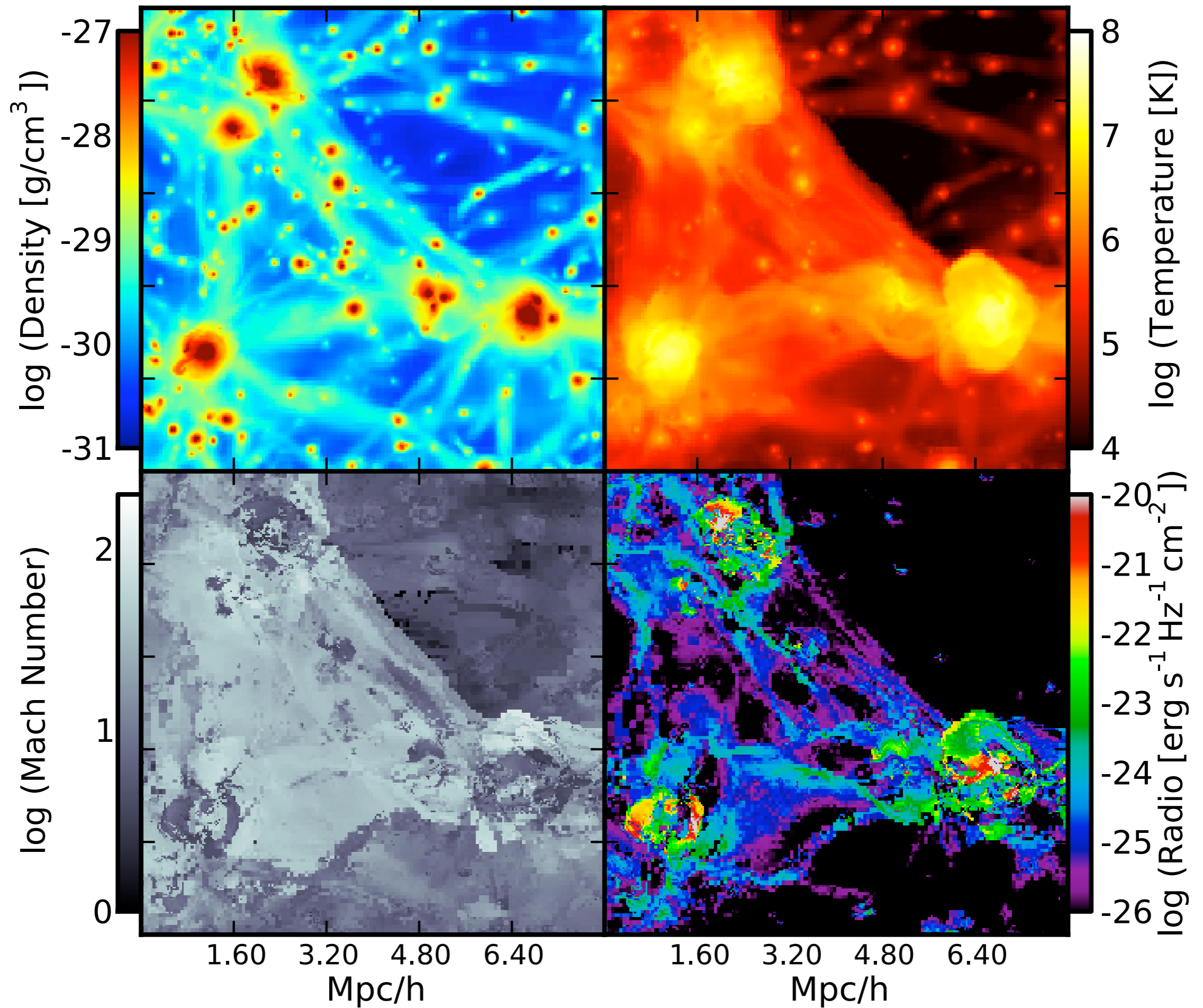


Global Properties of Radio Emission

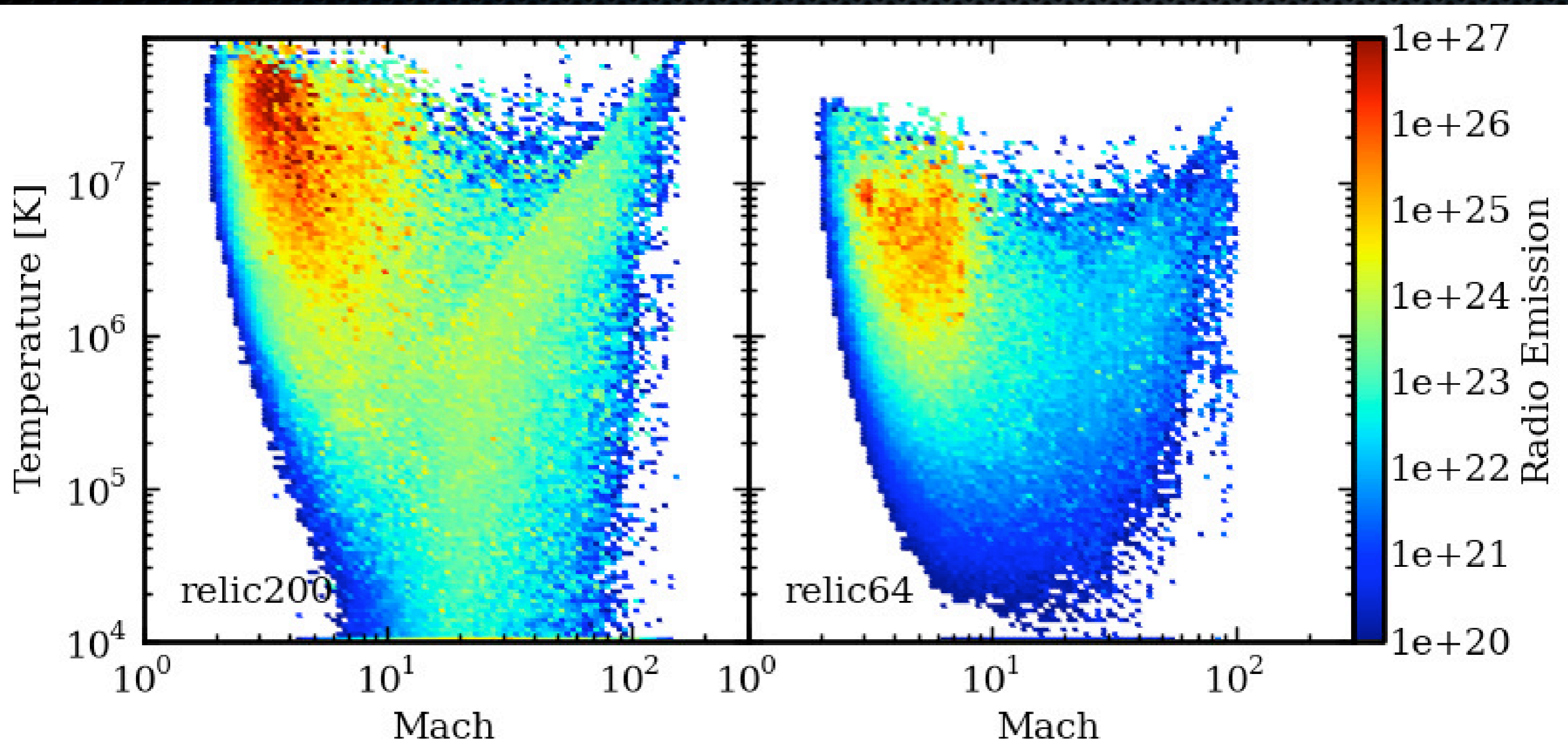
Full Box Projections

$$P_z(x, y) = \frac{\int w(x, y, z)v(x, y, z)dz}{\int w(x, y, z)dz}$$

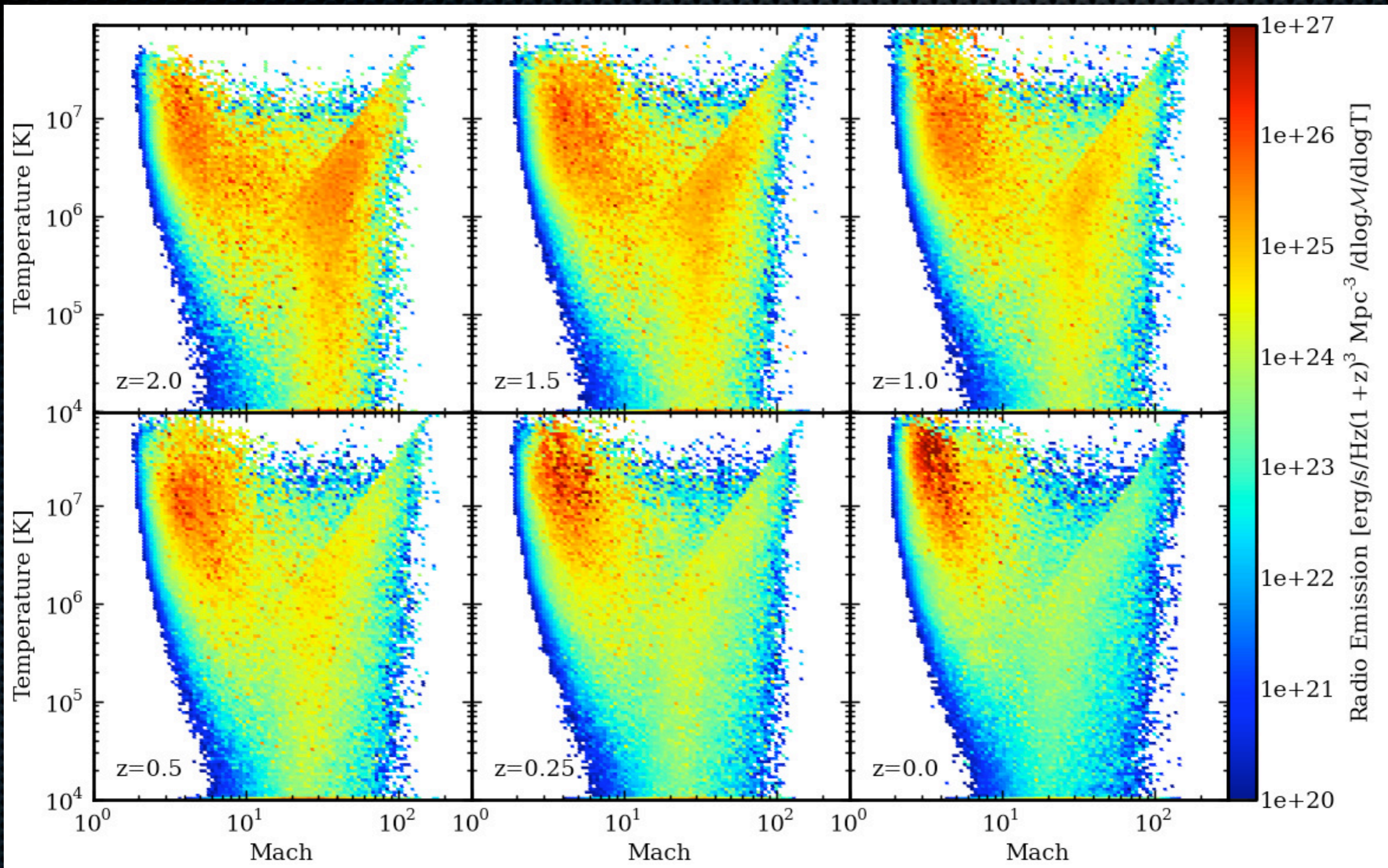




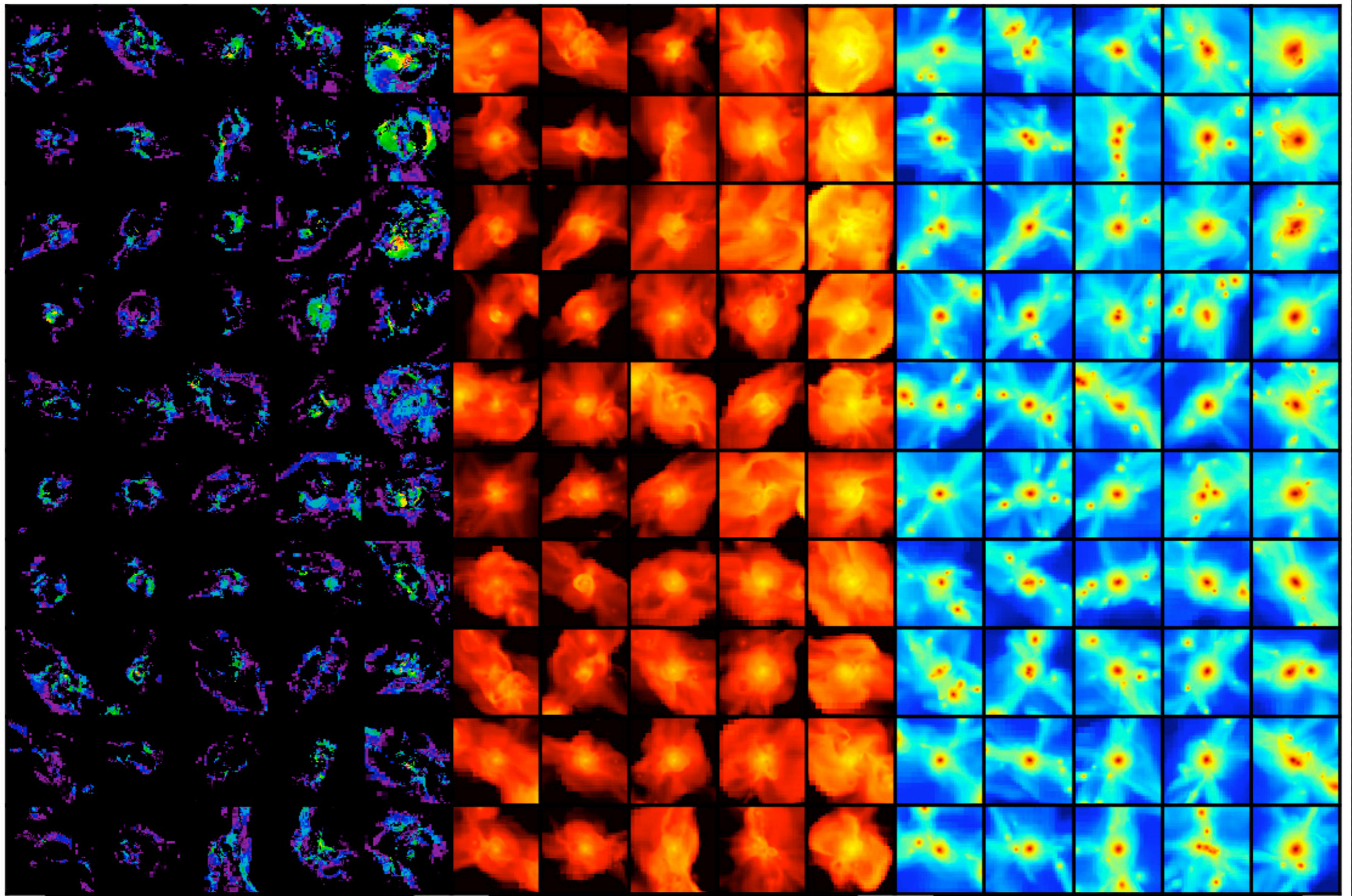
Phase Diagrams



Temperature - Mach
 \implies Merger Shocks Dominate
 \implies Clear Accretion Shock Signature



Individual Halo Properties



1e+20
1e+21
1e+22
1e+23
1e+24
1e+25
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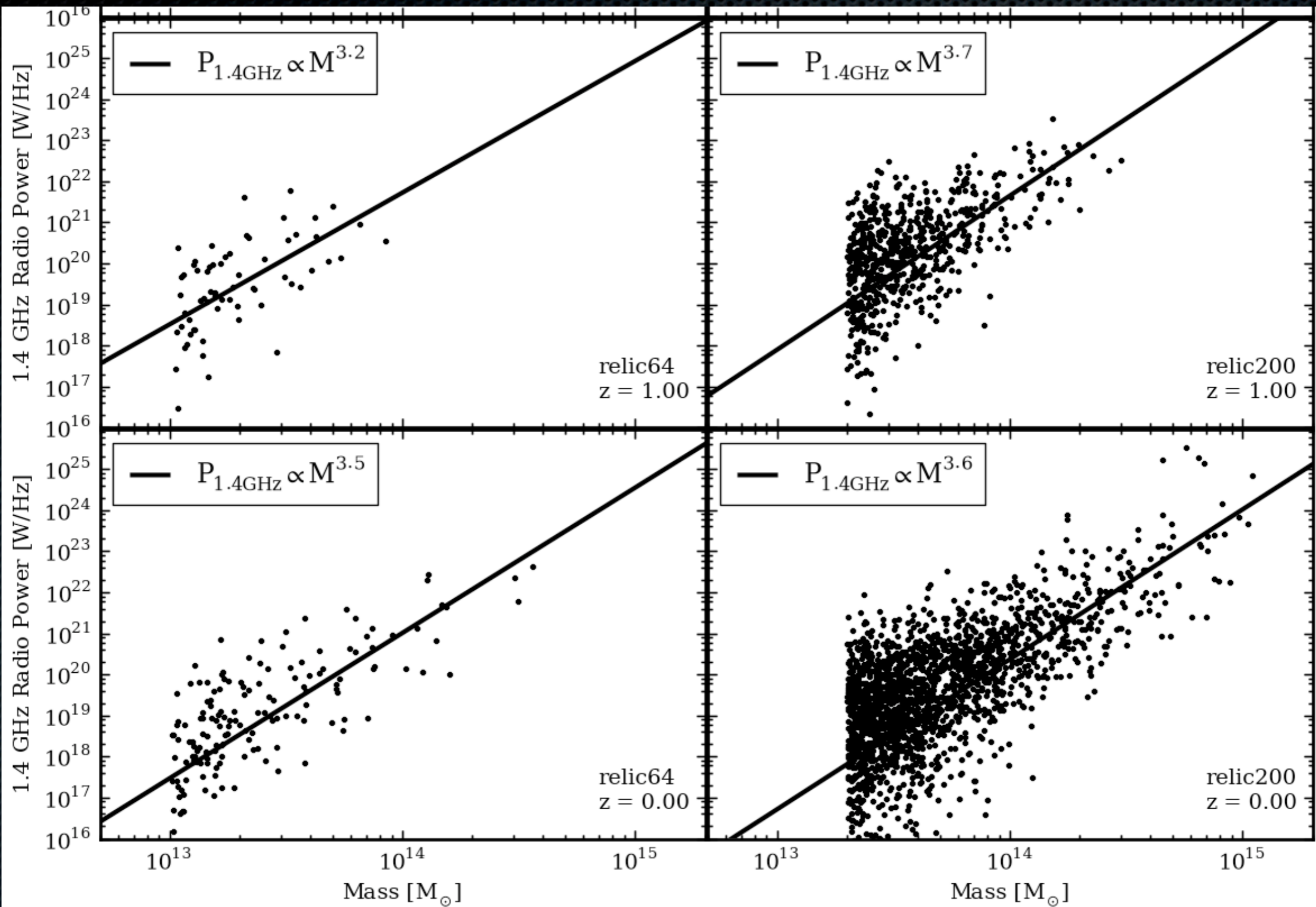
1.4GHz Radio Emission [$\text{erg s}^{-1} \text{Hz}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2}$]

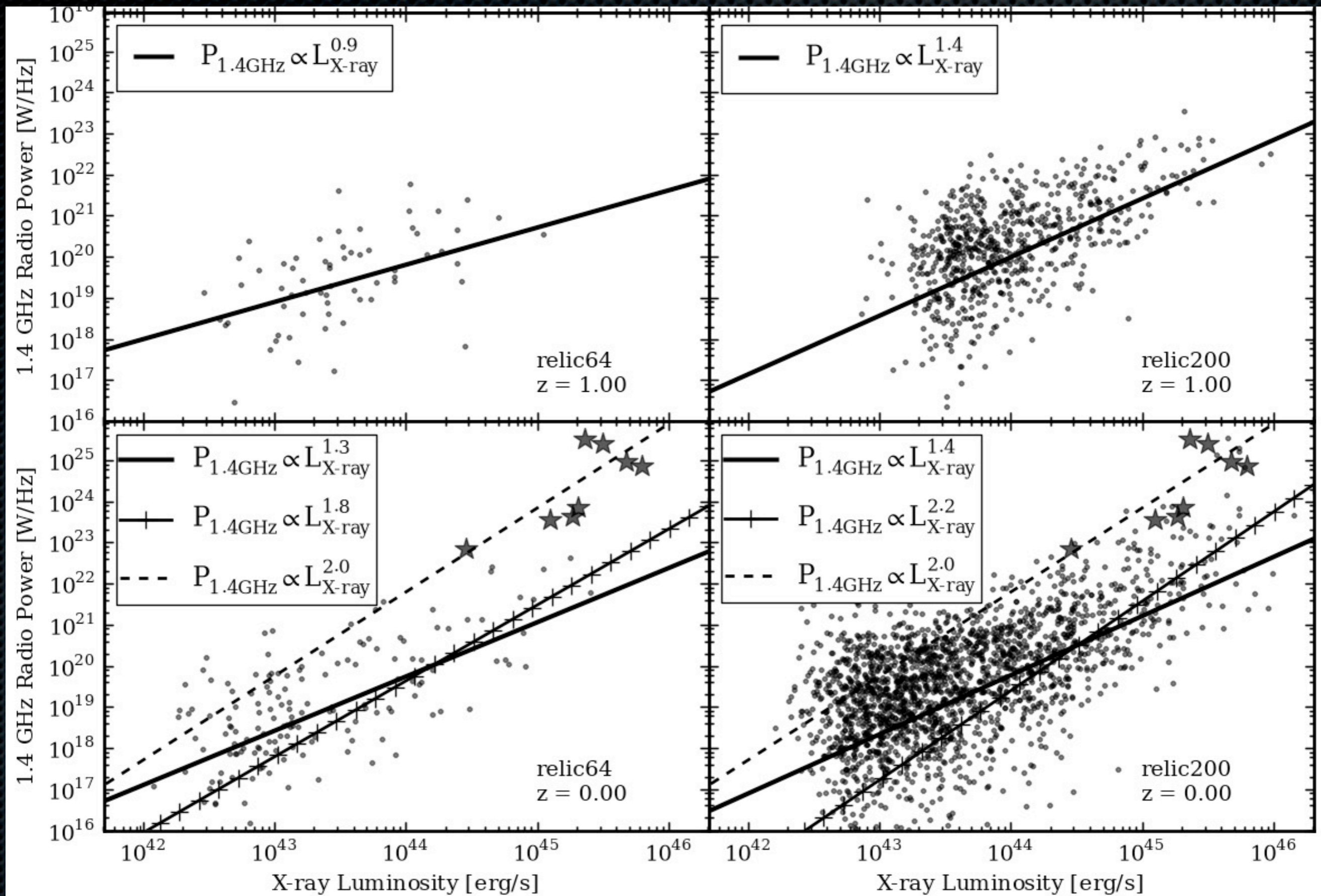
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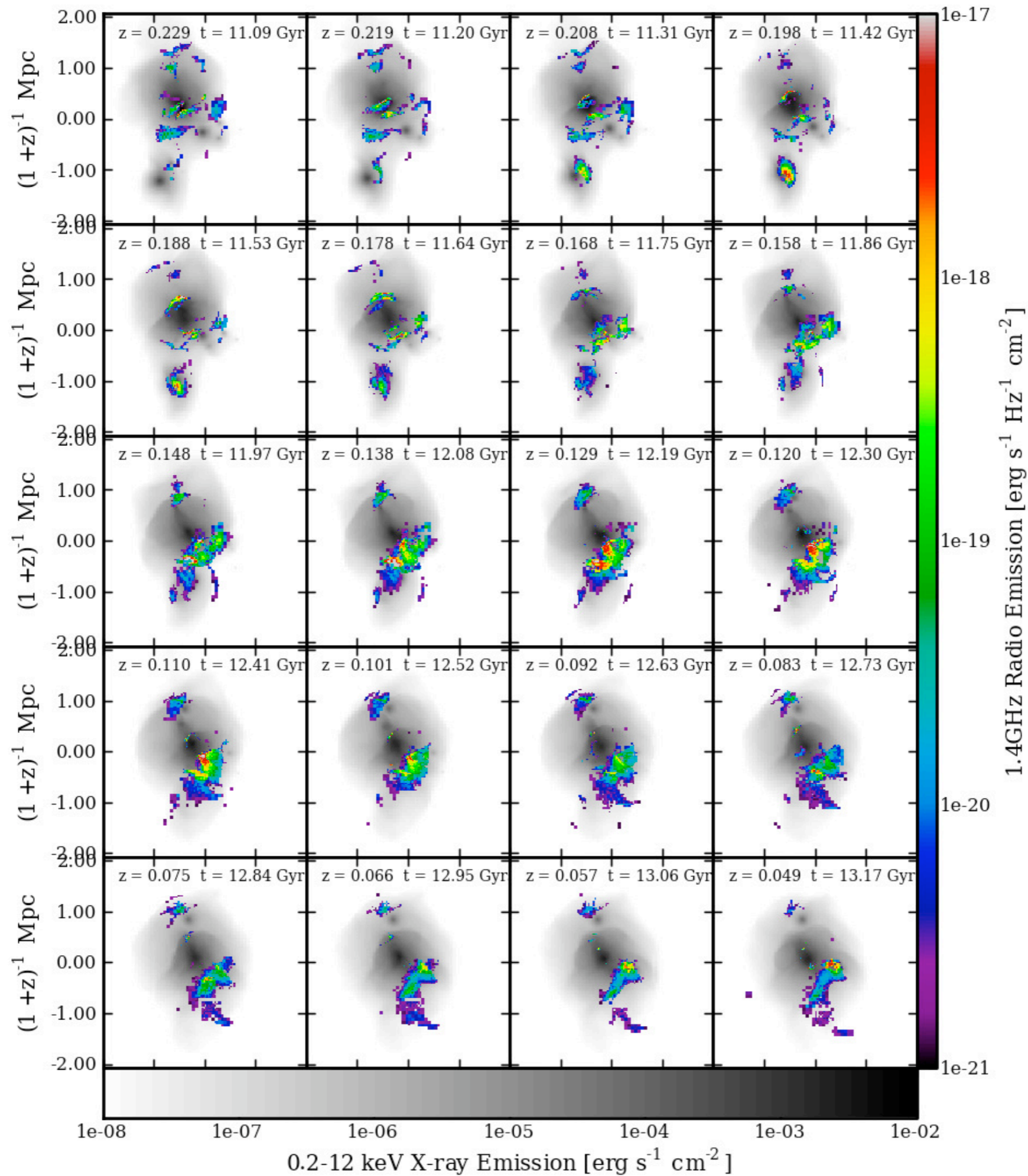
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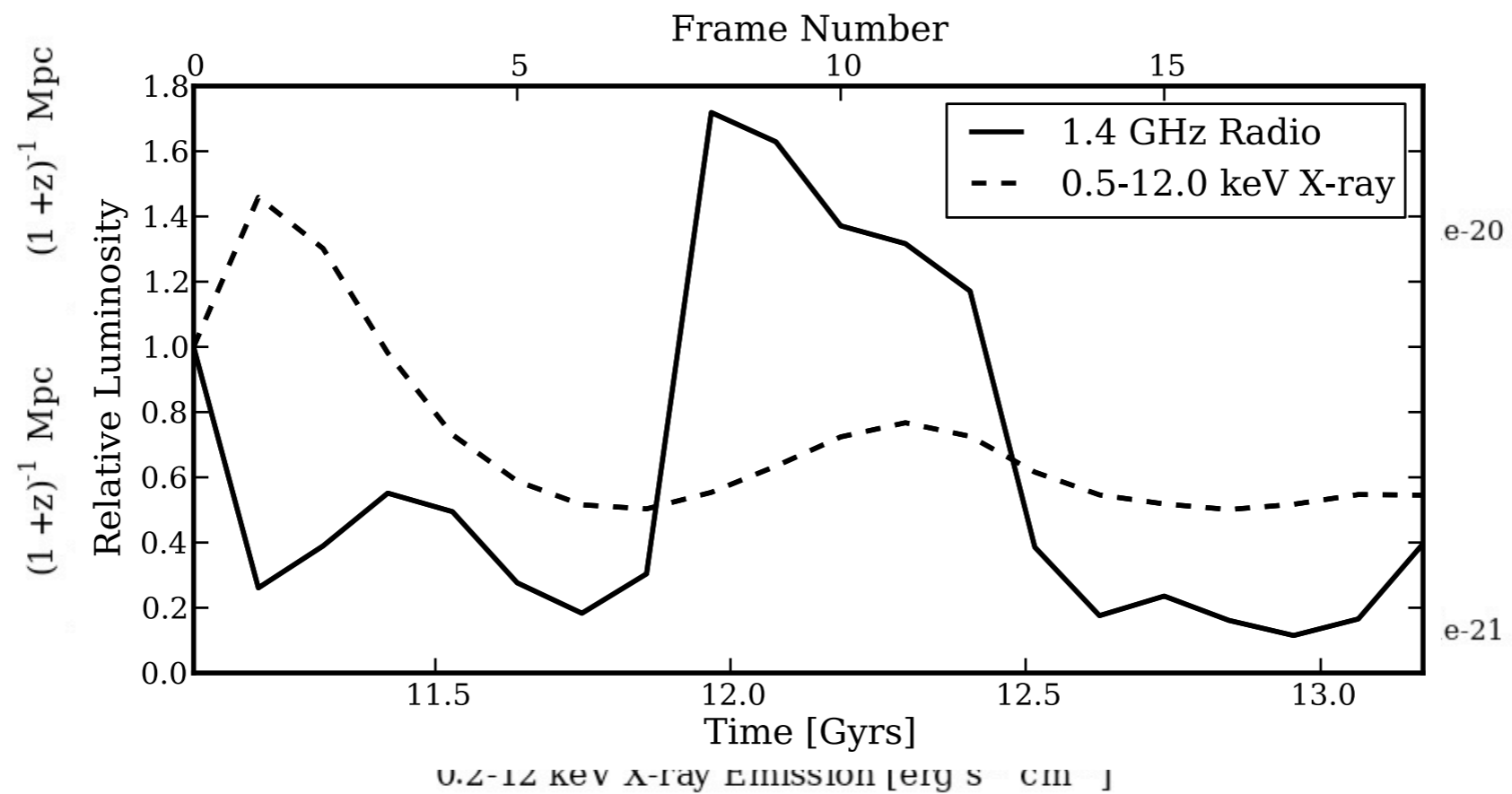
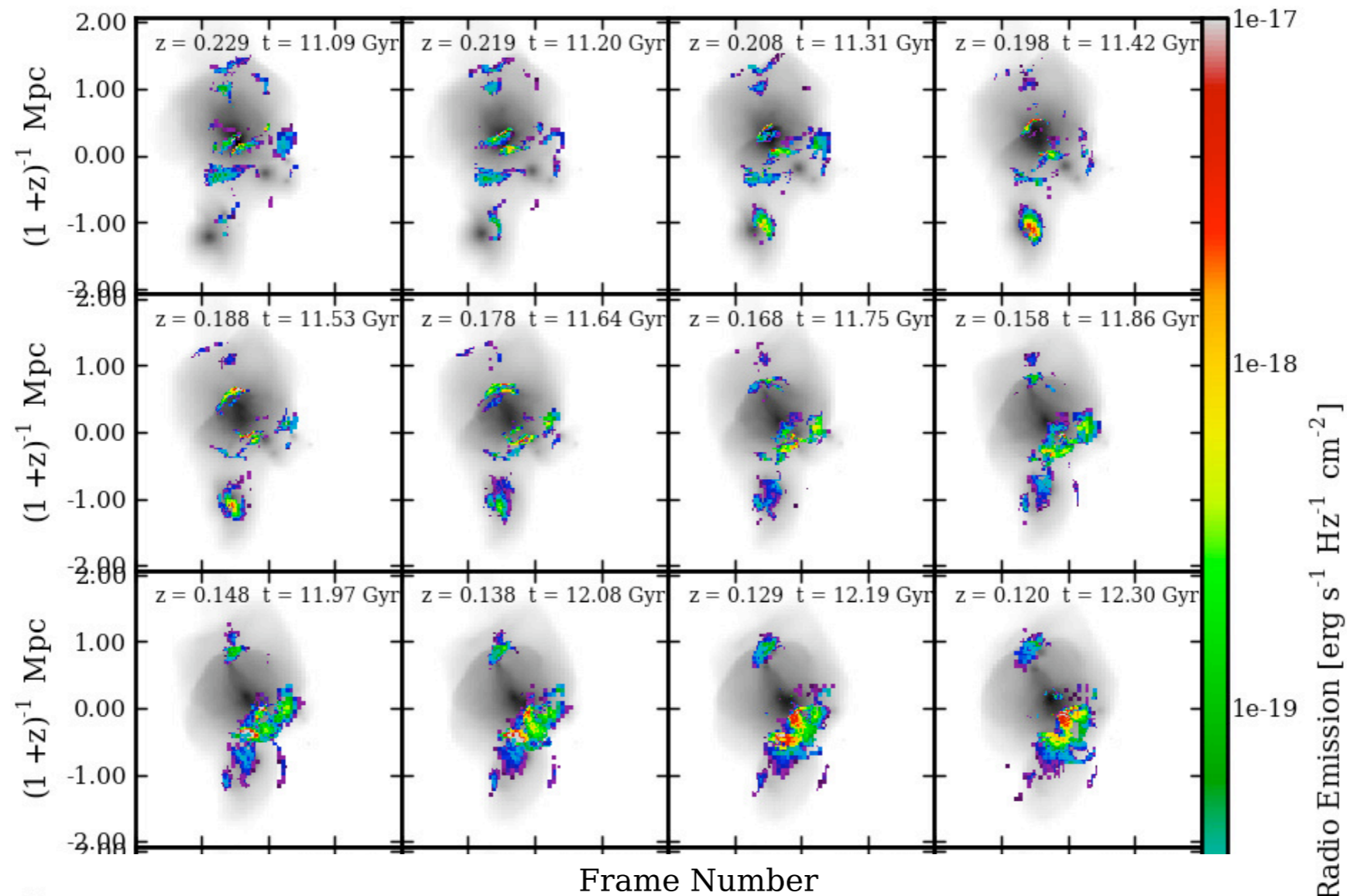
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Density [g/cm^3]







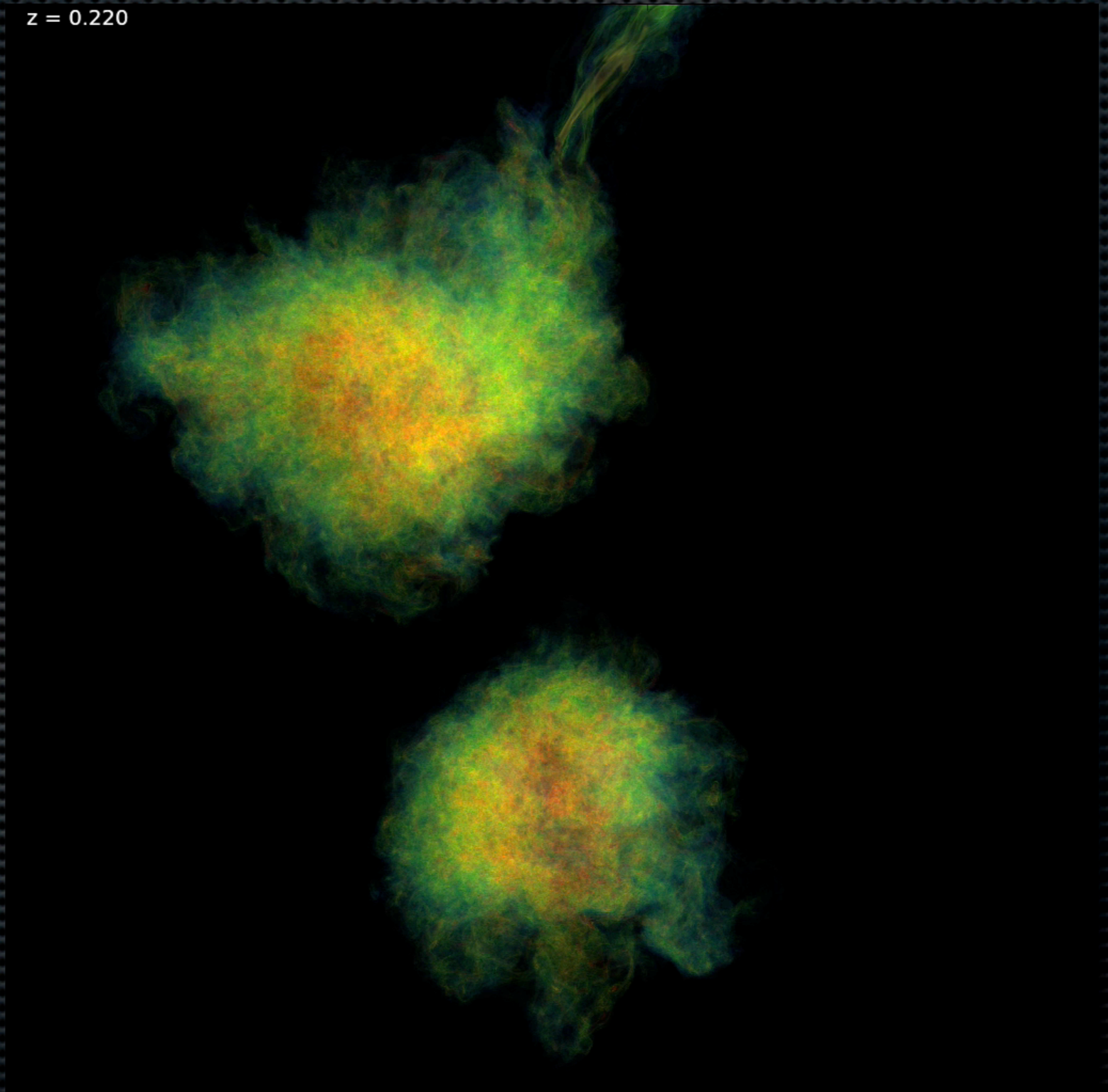


Conclusions

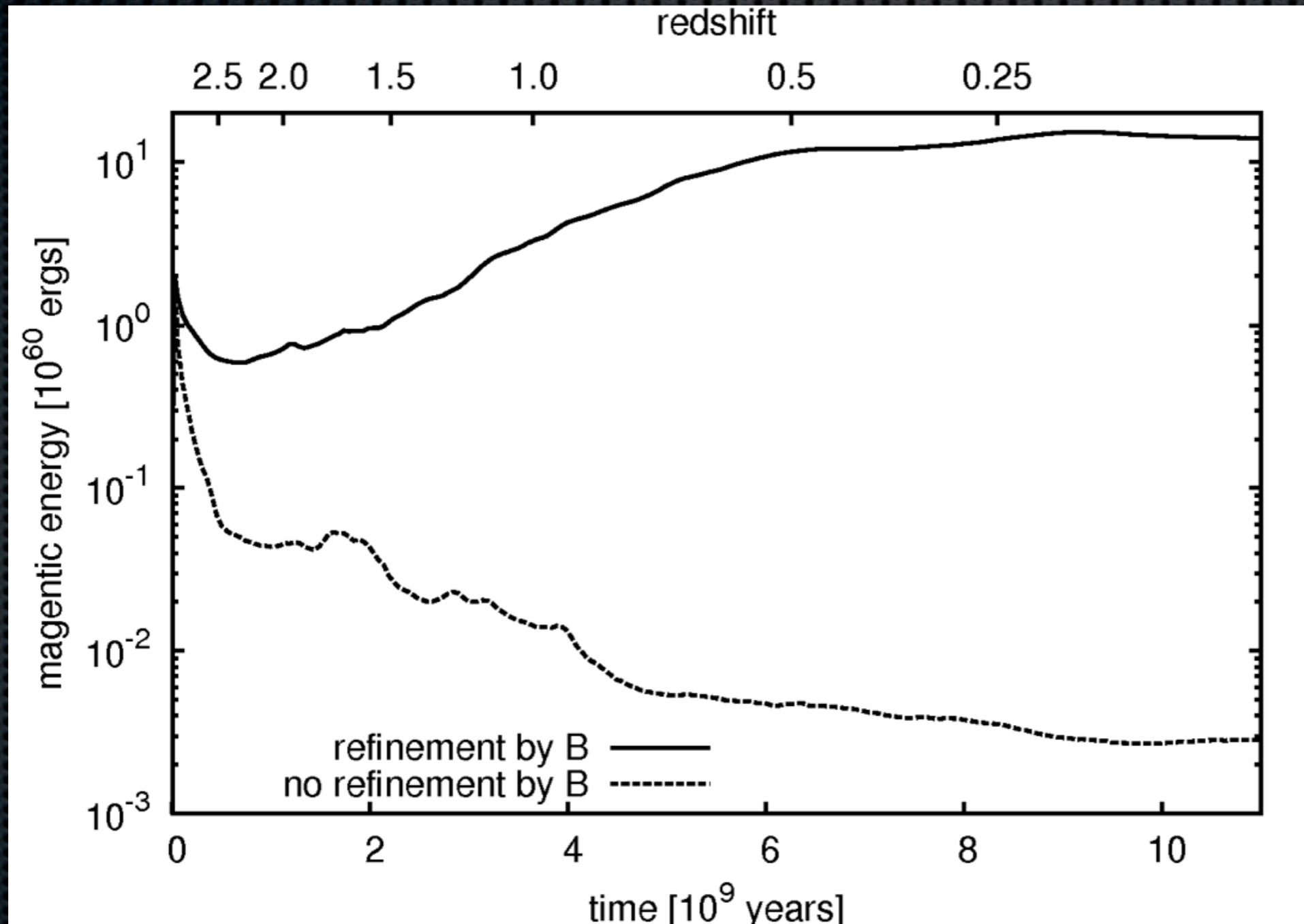
- ✦ Global Properties
 - ✦ Emission primarily from hot, dense gas, associated with merger shocks
 - ✦ Redshift evolution of accretion shocks imprint cosmology
- ✦ Individual Halo Properties
 - ✦ General scaling relationships with Mass, X-ray Luminosity
 - ✦ Large scatter suggests merger state very important

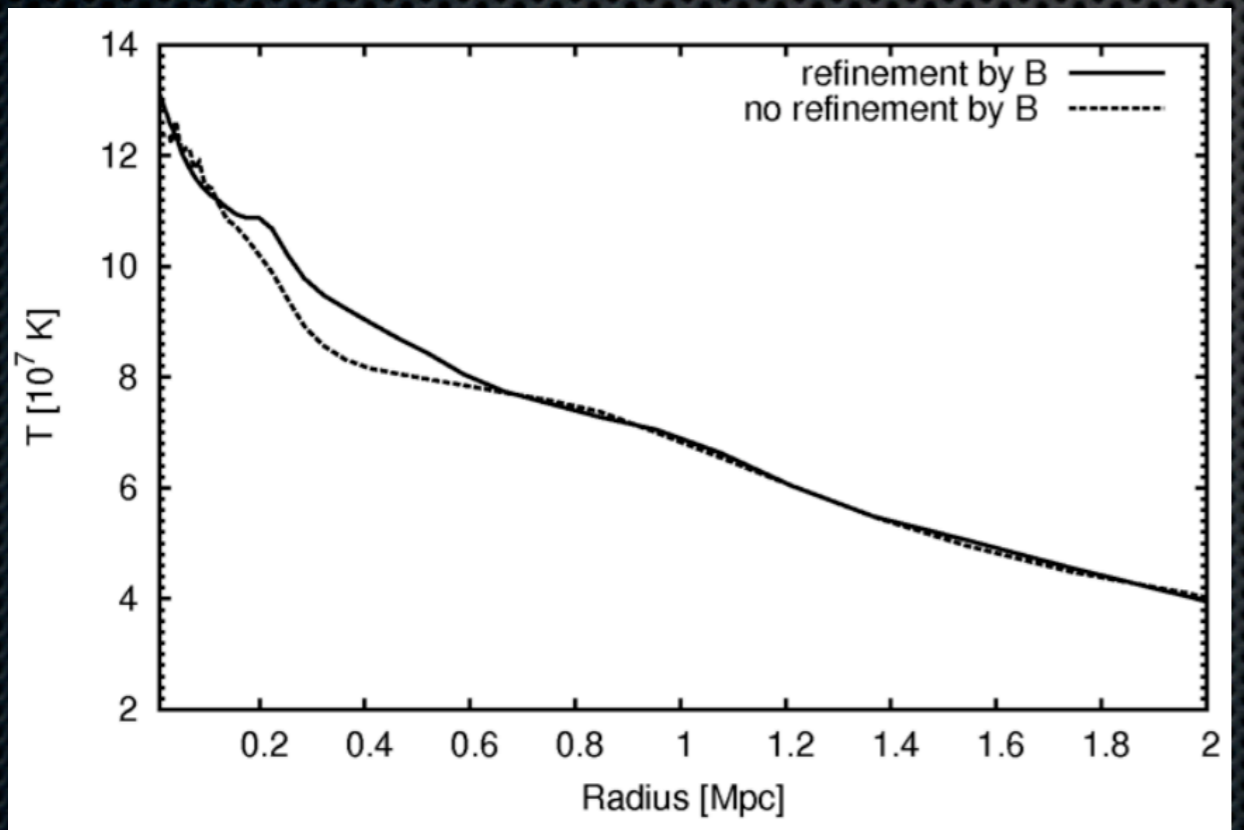
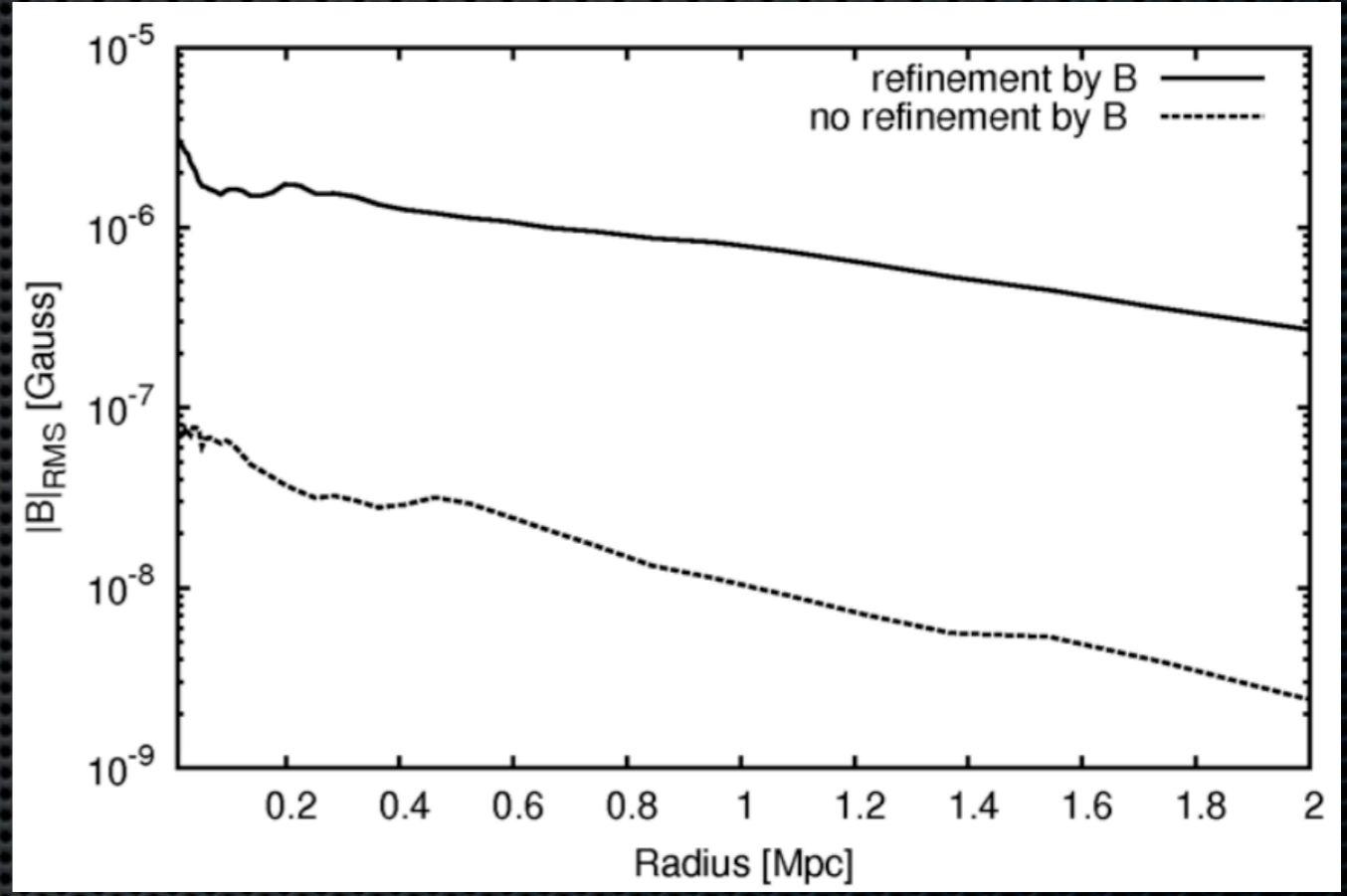
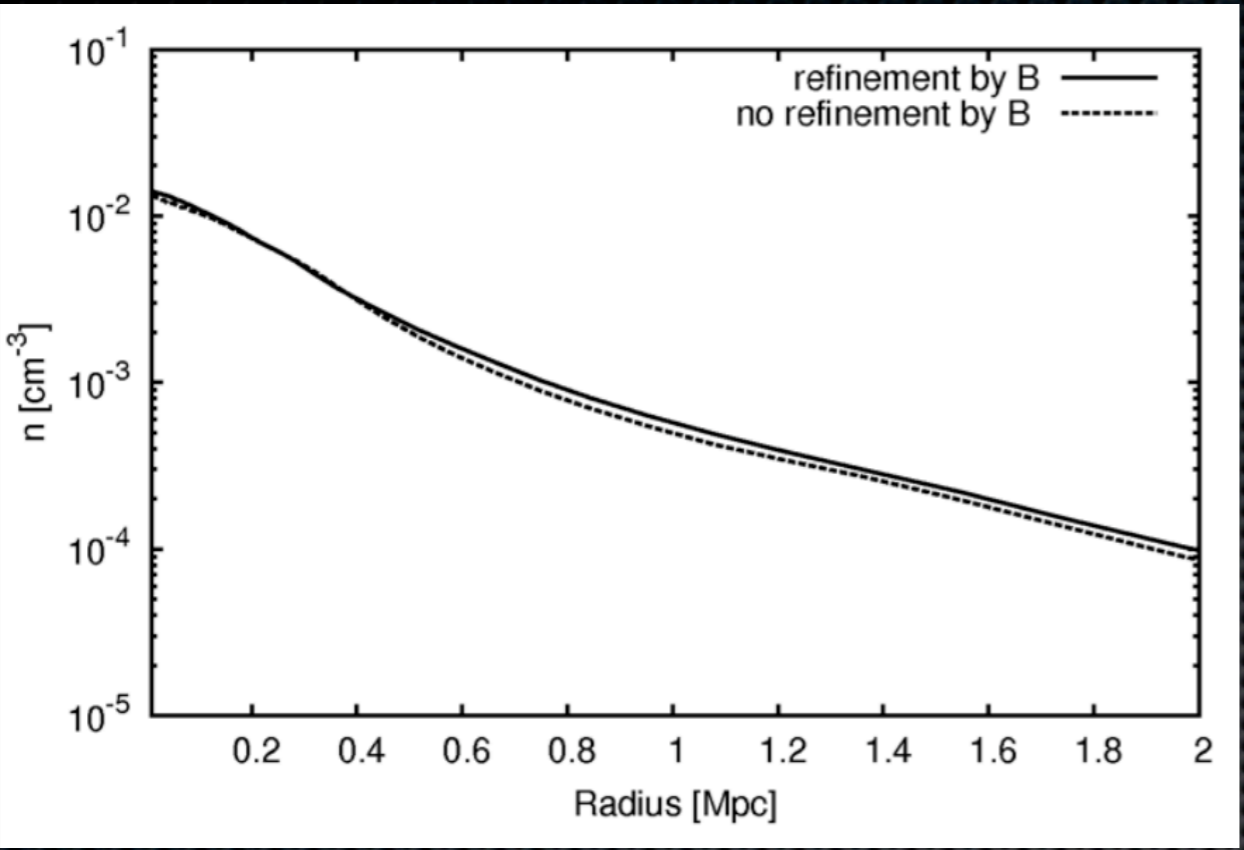
Initial Work with MHD Enzo

- ✦ Collaboration with Hao Xu and Hui Li at LANL
- ✦ Inject B-fields at $z=3.0$ from AGN sources
- ✦ Follow Merger History

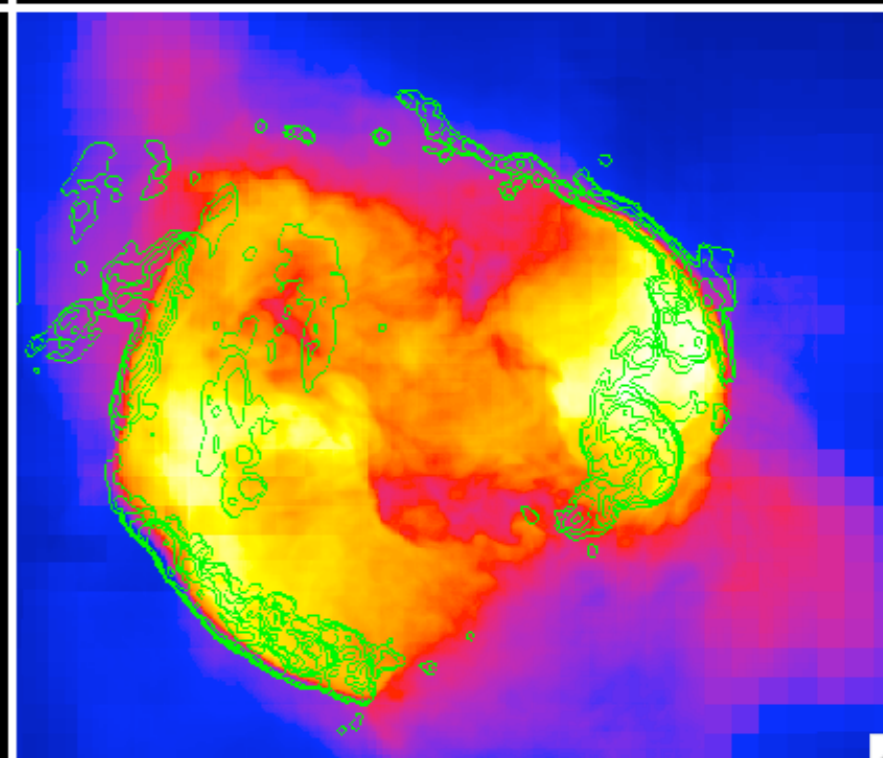
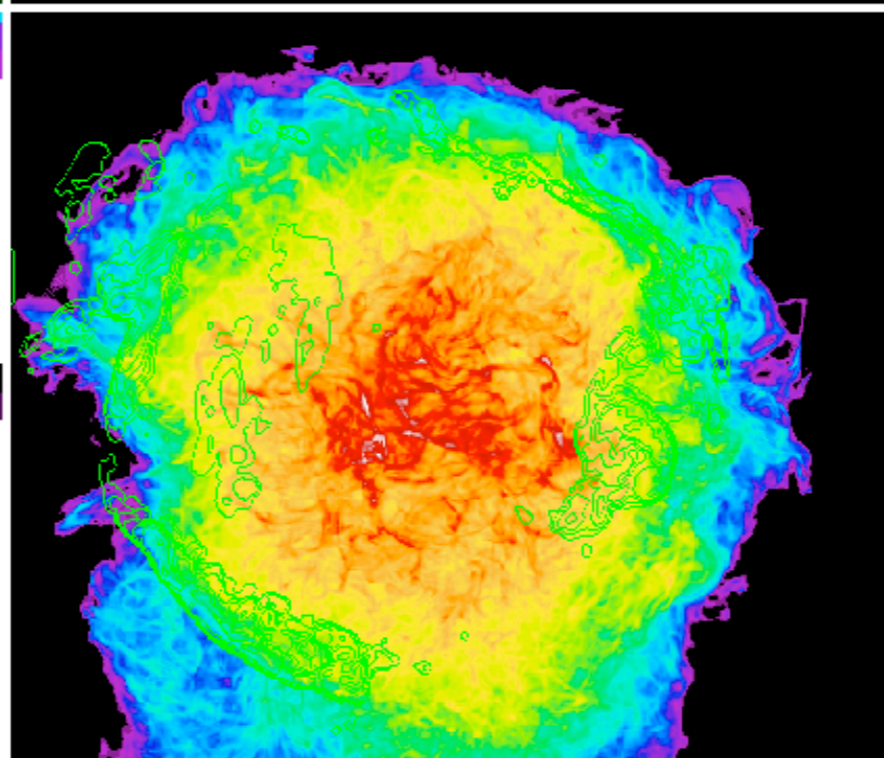
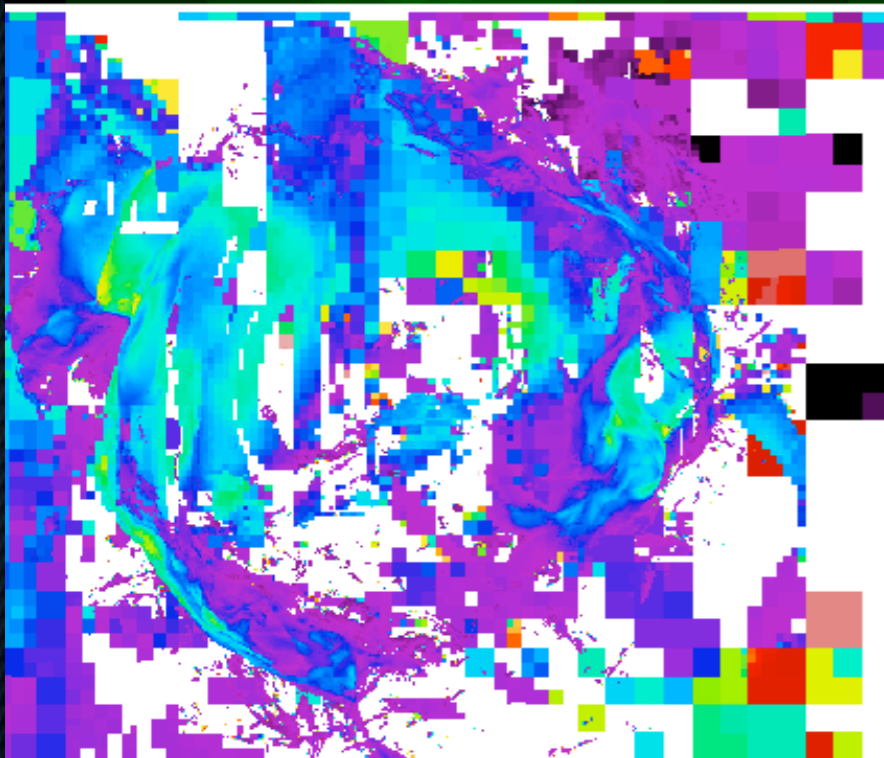
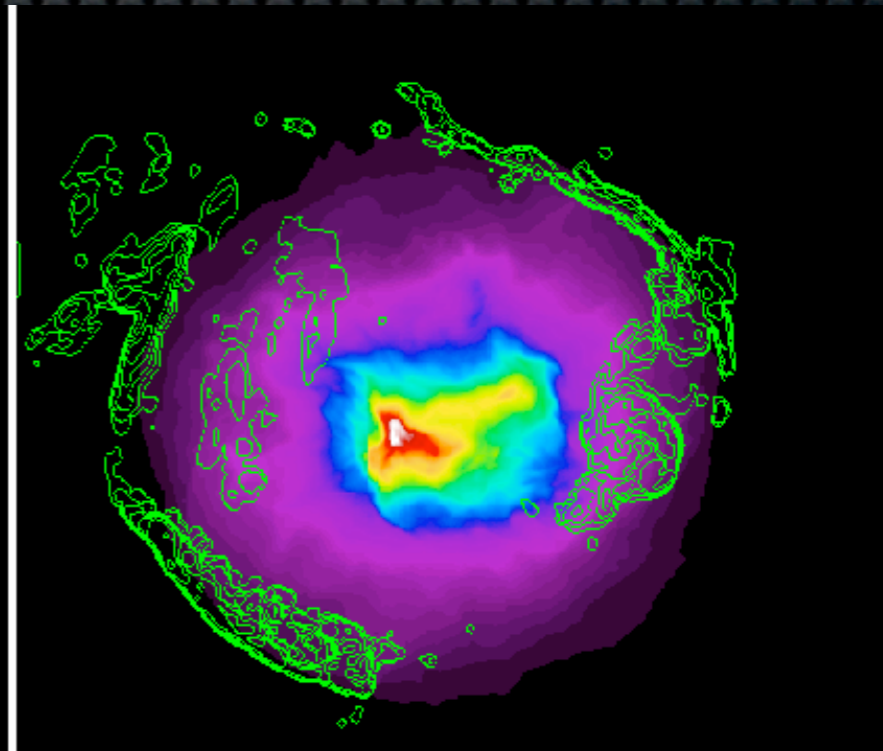
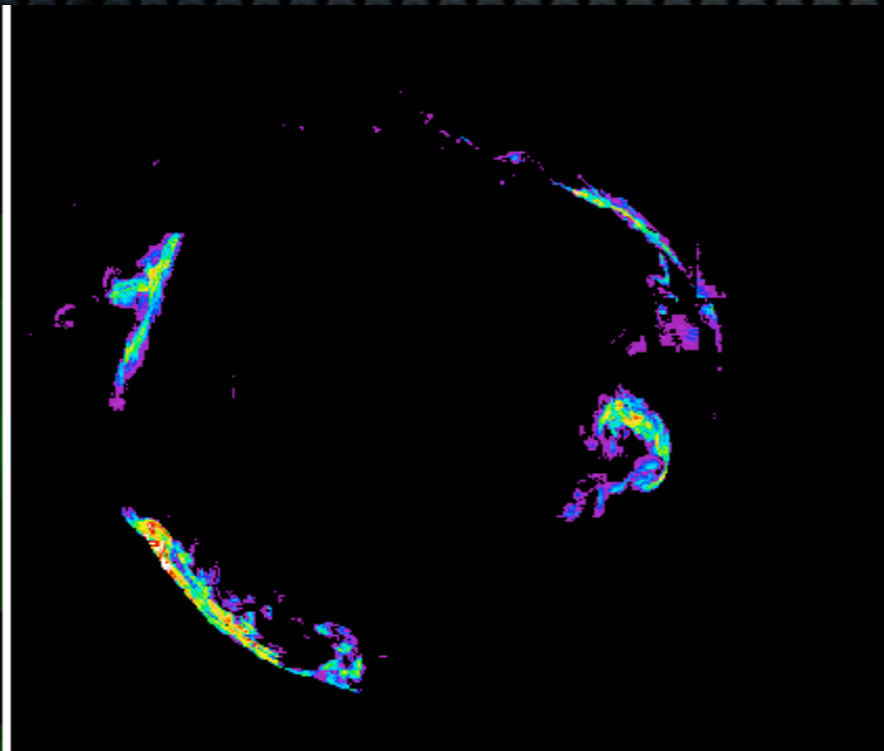
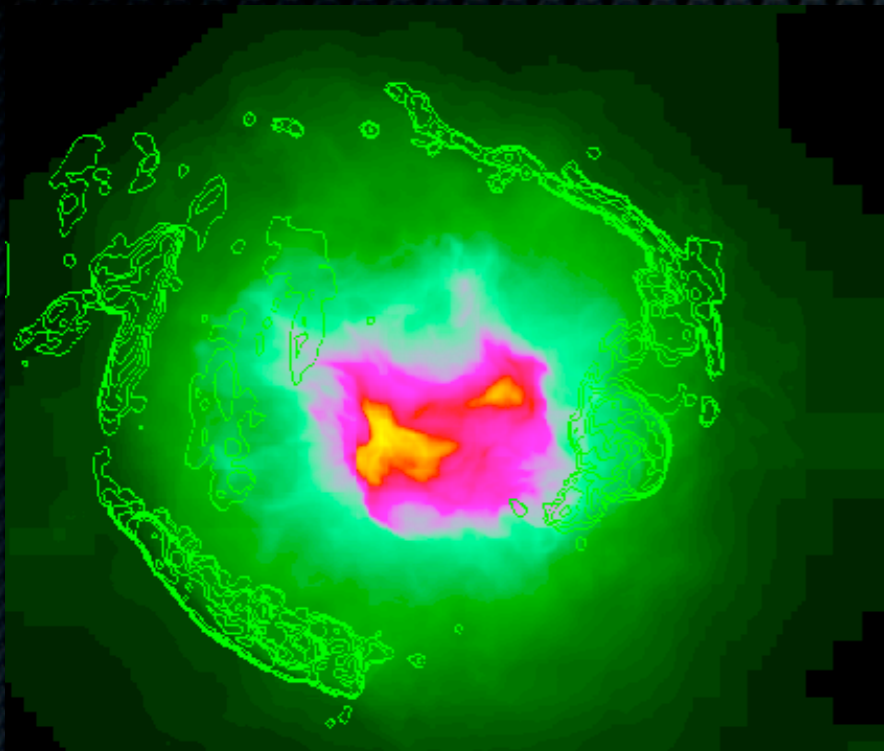


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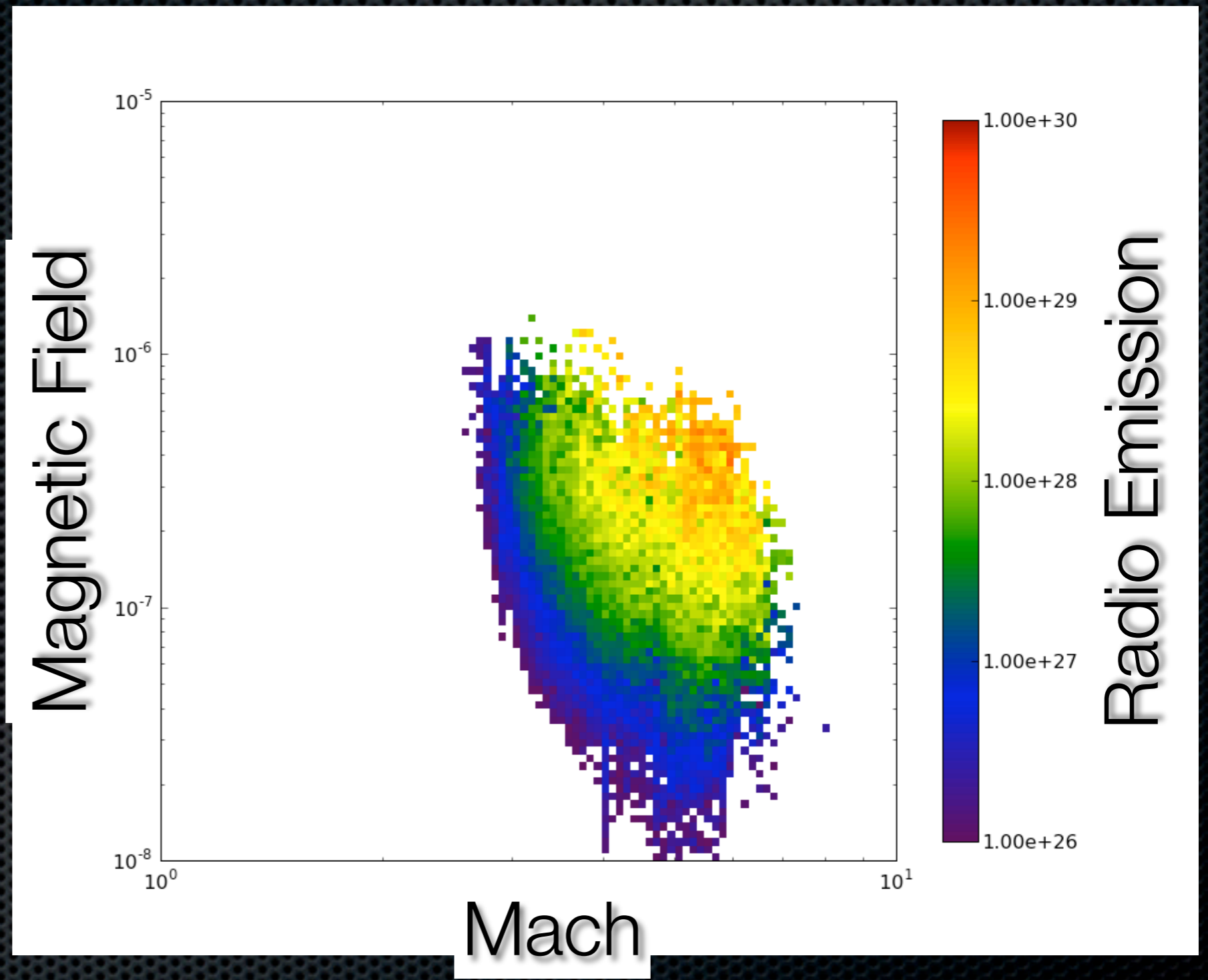


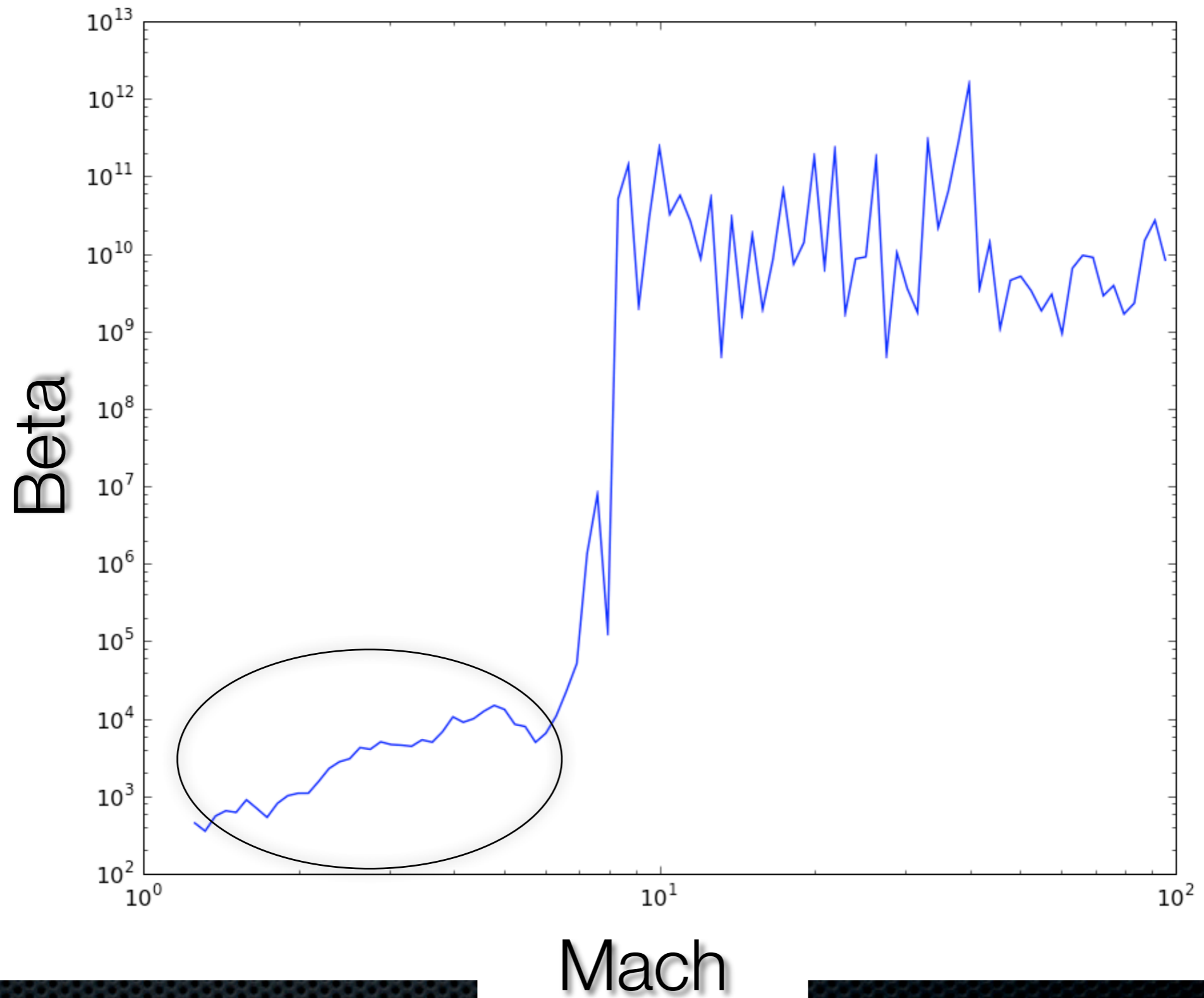


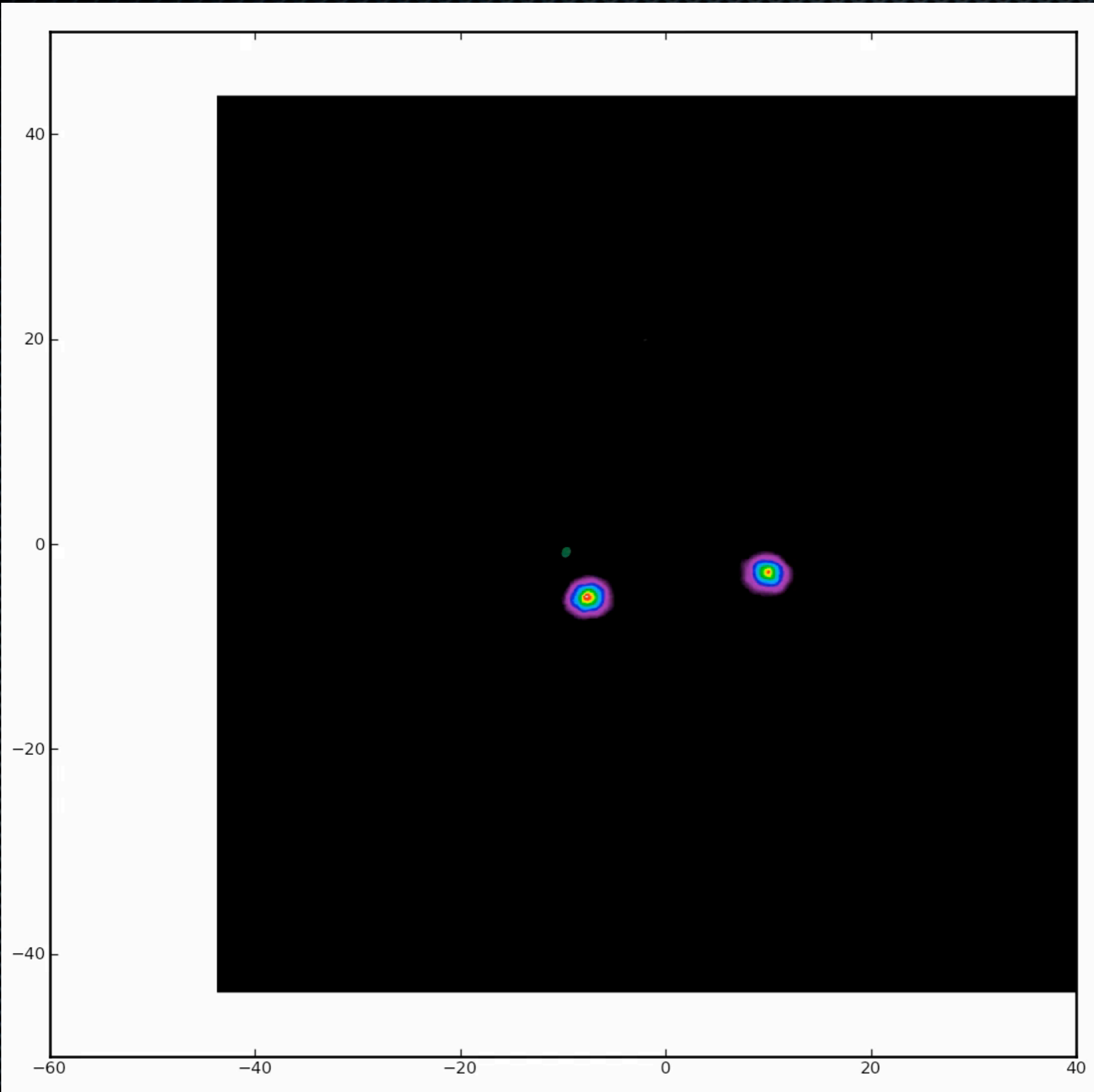
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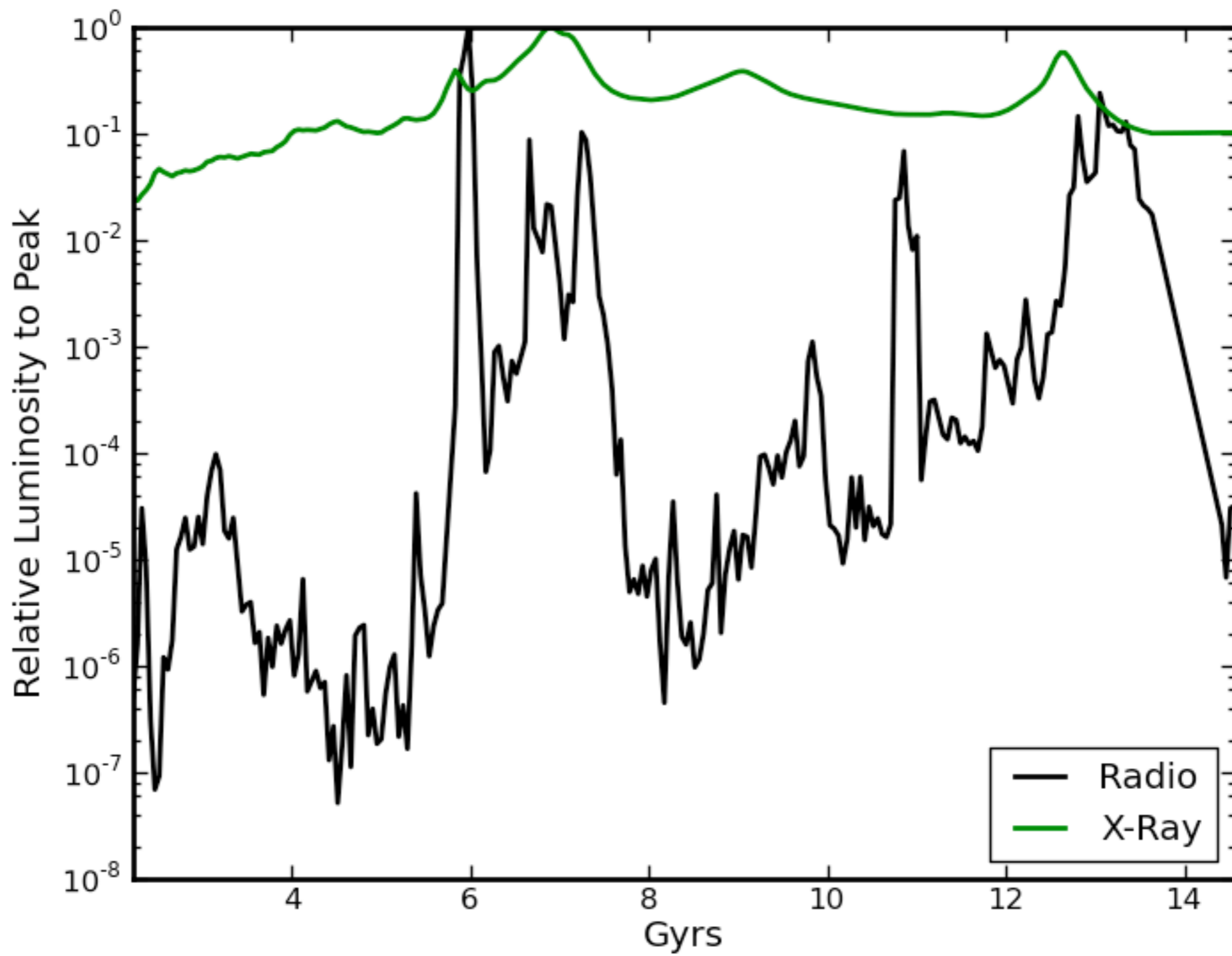


- ✦ Radio Emission from 0.1- 1 microGauss, Shock Mach numbers of 4-7











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Questions?