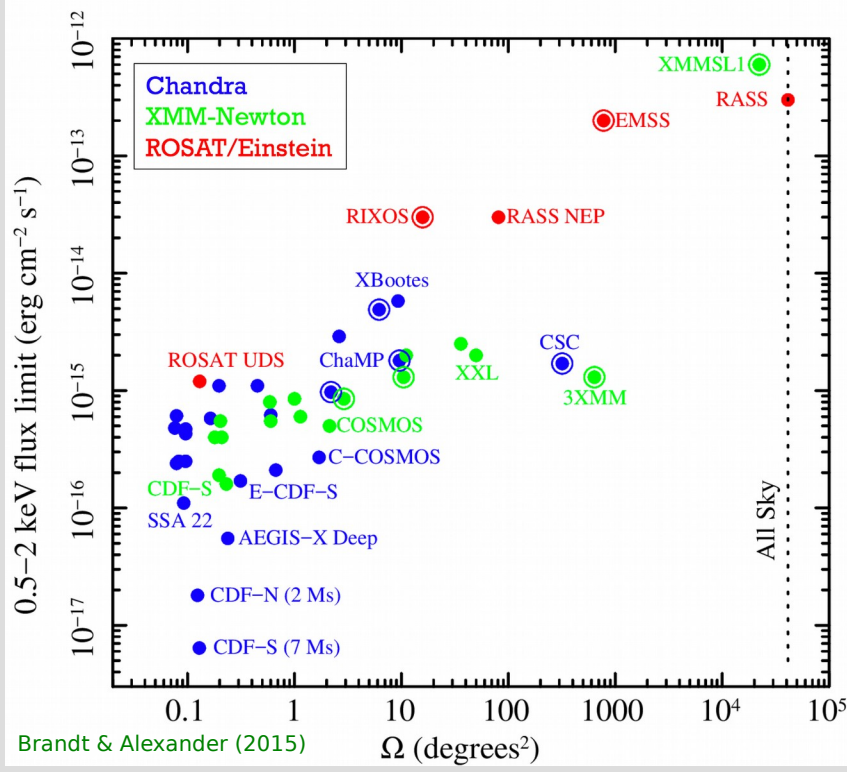


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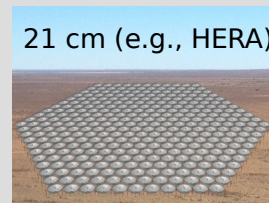
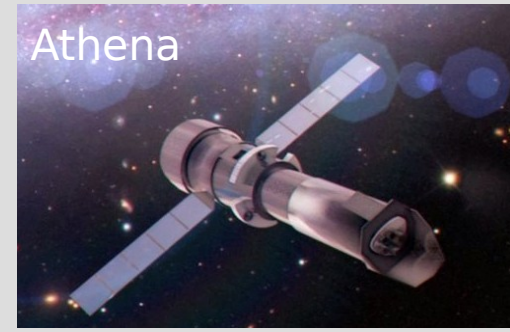
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Demographic and Spectral  
Results at High Redshift  
from Current X-ray Surveys



Some Prospects  
for the 2020's

SMBH Seeds  
and Lynx



# Current Observational Overview

Over the past  $\sim 18$  yr, Chandra and XMM-Newton have allowed a large expansion in the number of X-ray detected AGNs at  $z = 4-7$ .

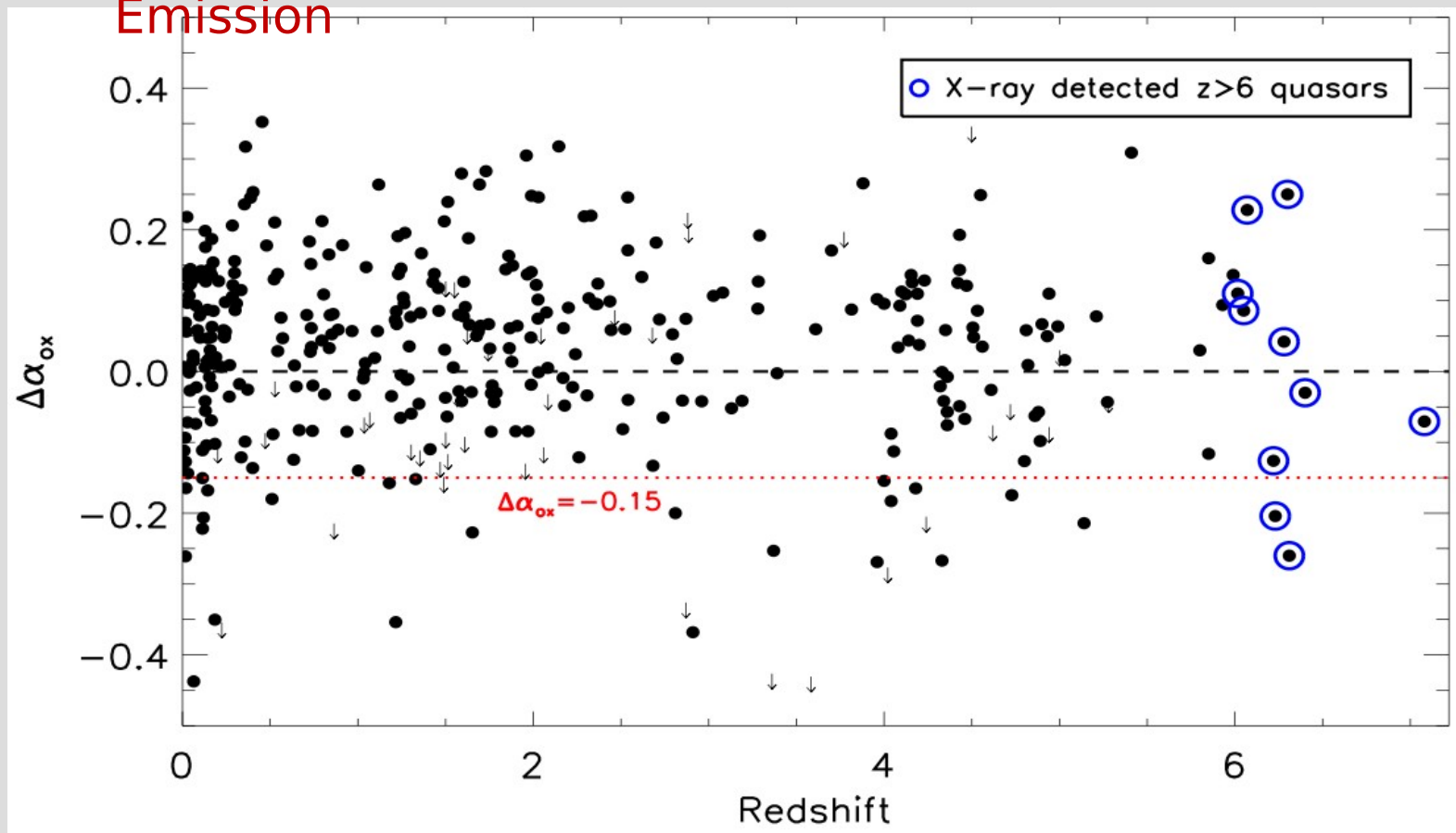
Now have  $\sim 153$  X-ray detections at  $z = 4-7$ , allowing X-ray population studies out to the reionization era.

X-ray follow-up of high-redshift AGNs first found in other multiwavelength surveys; e.g., SDSS, PSS, FIRST.

X-ray selected high-redshift AGNs in X-ray surveys.

# X-ray Emission from AGNs Remains Strong to the Highest Redshifts

Level of X-ray Emission Relative to Optical/UV Emission

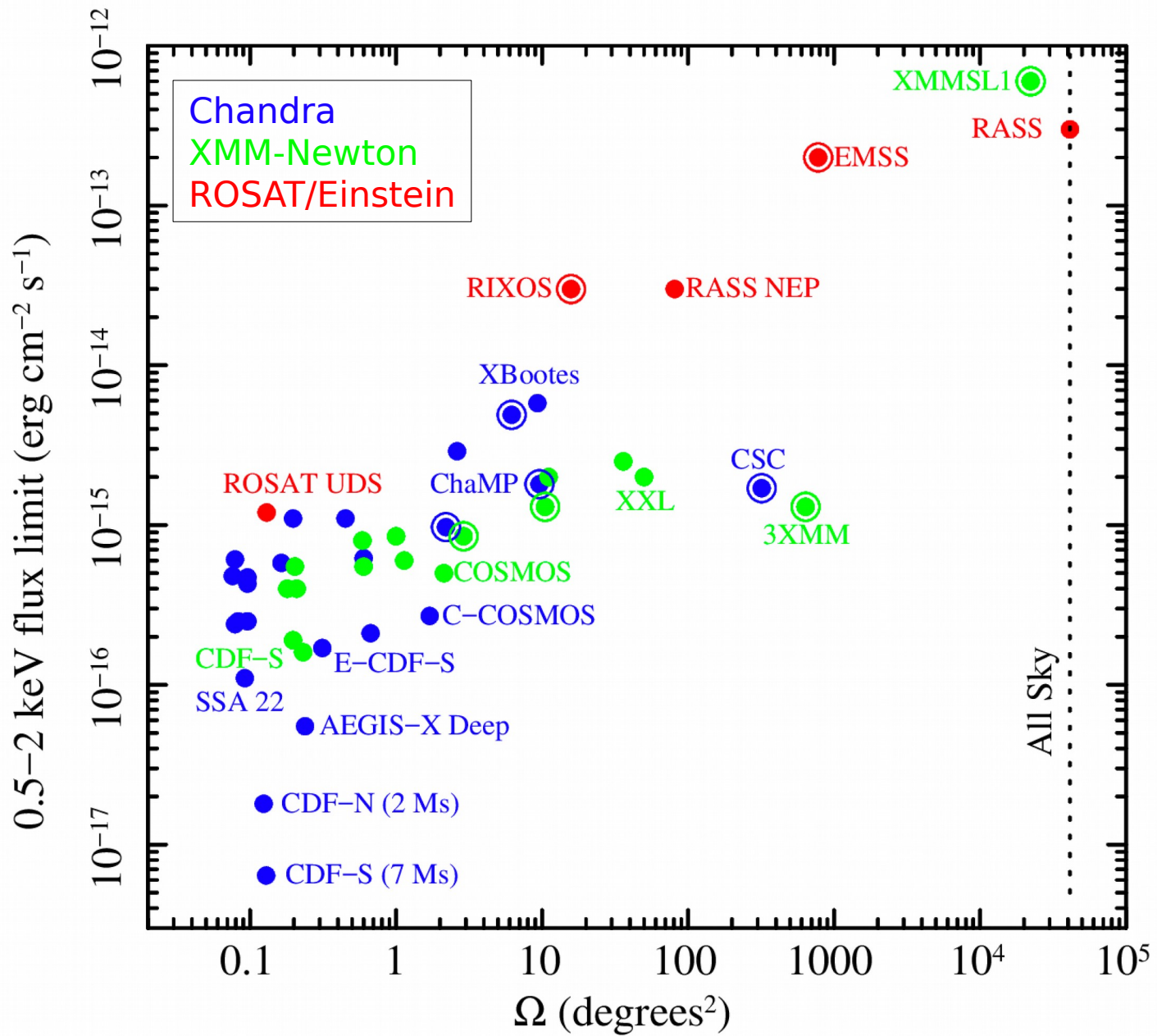


Constraints at  $z = 6-7$  will be significantly improved by large Chandra Cycle 19 project.

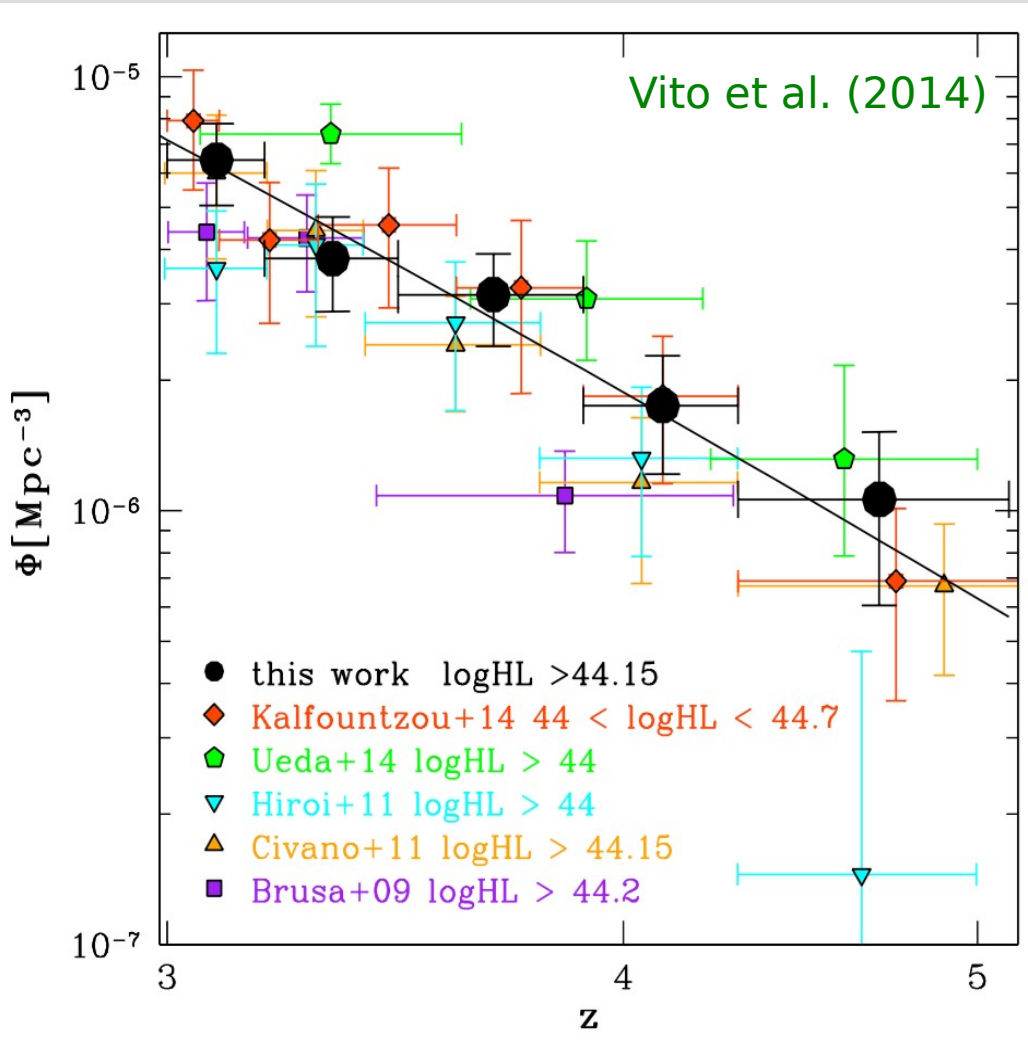
# Demographic and Spectral Results at High Redshift from Current X-ray Surveys

(Focusing on the  
Deepest)





# Space Density Declines for High-Luminosity X-ray AGNs



In contrast to early suggestions from ROSAT, clearly see  $\sim$  exponential decline for luminous X-ray selected AGNs at  $z > 3$ .

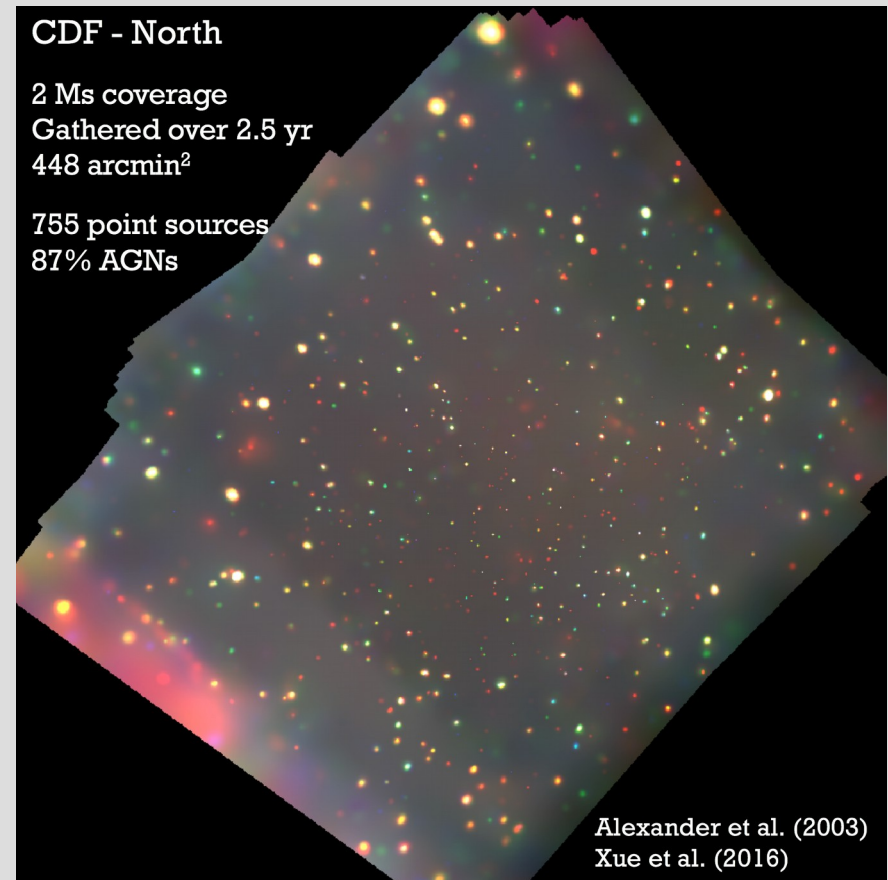
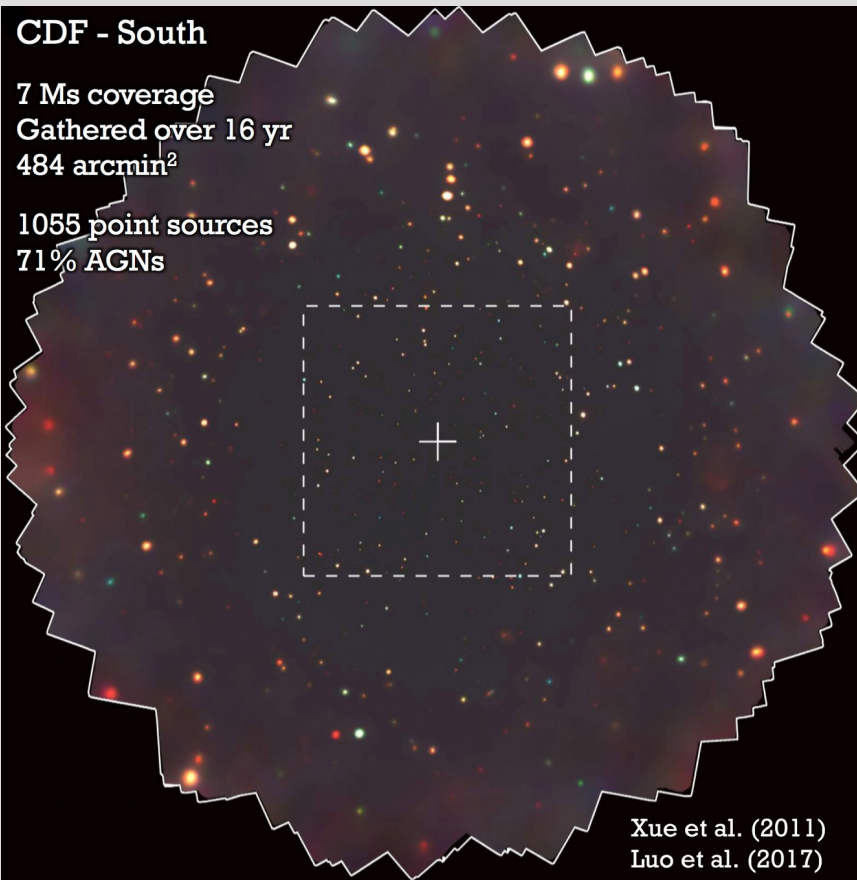
$$\Phi \propto (1+z)^p \text{ with } p = -6.0 \pm 0.8$$

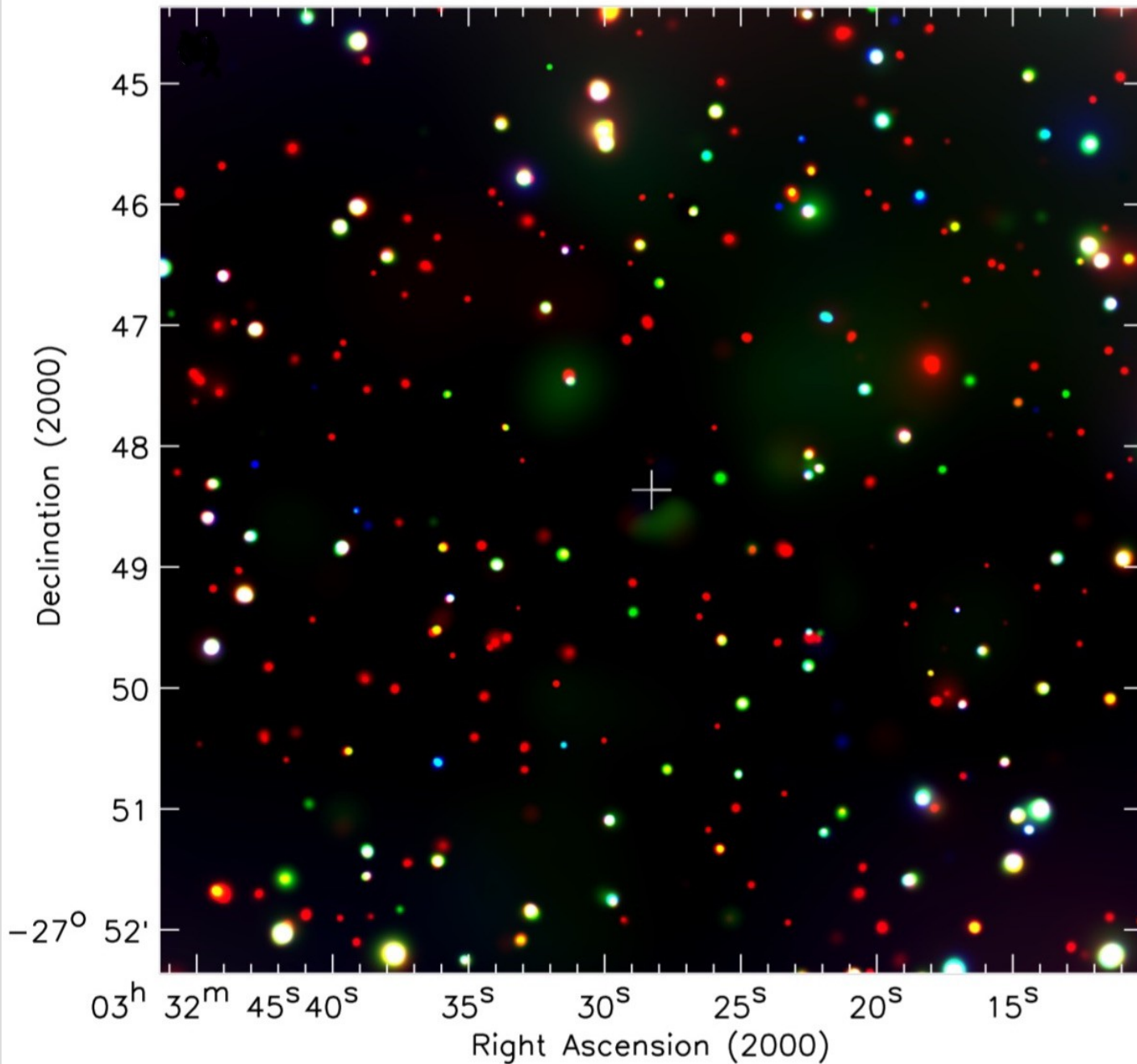
Space-density comparisons with optically selected quasars indicate agreement to within factors  $\sim$  2-3.

Decline is similar to that of massive

# Space Density at $z \sim 3-5$ for Moderate-Luminosity X-ray AGNs

Ultradeep X-ray Surveys Required - The Chandra Deep Fields





## Center of the CDF-S

Faintest sources  
have 1 count  
per 10.0 days!

0.5-2 keV  
2-4 keV  
4-7 keV

Luo et al. (2017)

# Counterparts and Redshifts for 7 Ms

## CDF-S

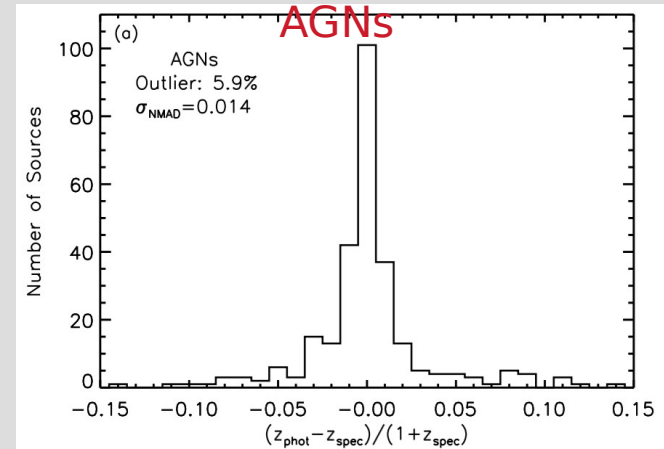
98.4% of X-ray sources have counterparts

97.8% have redshifts

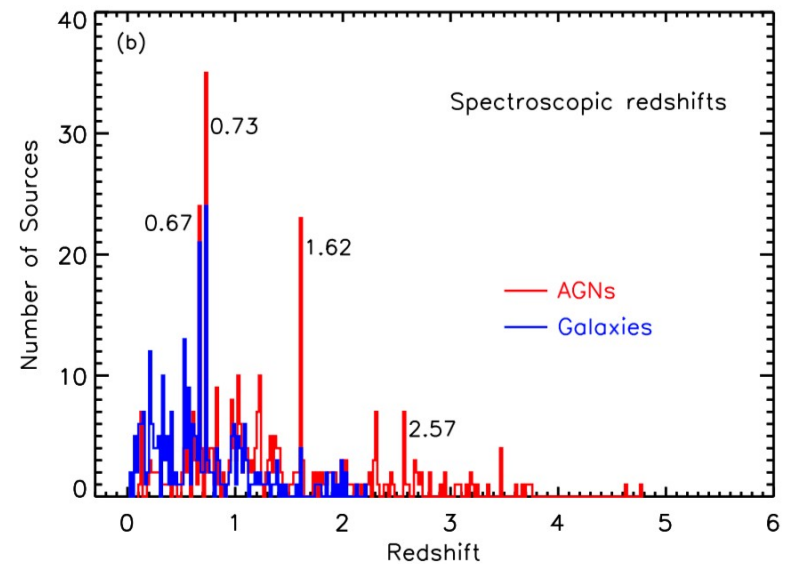
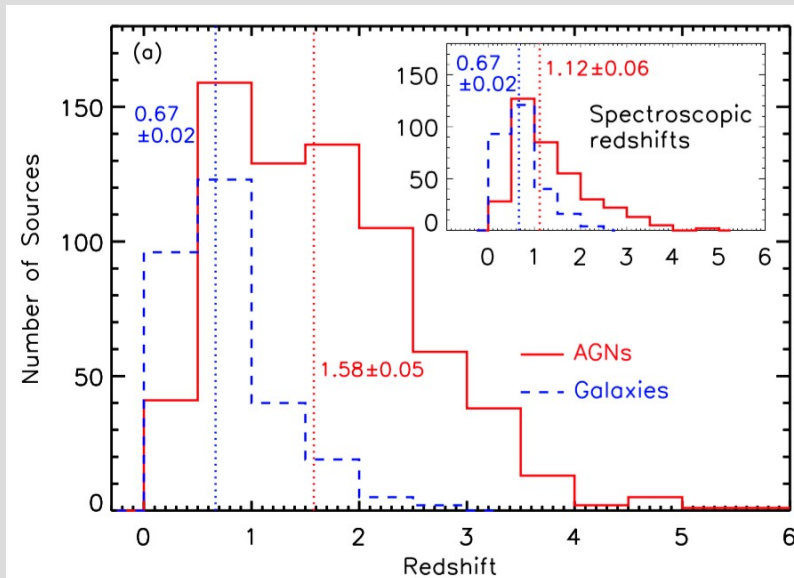
- 64.8% are spectroscopic redshifts
- 33.0% are photometric redshifts

Luo et al. (2017)

Photometric Redshifts for



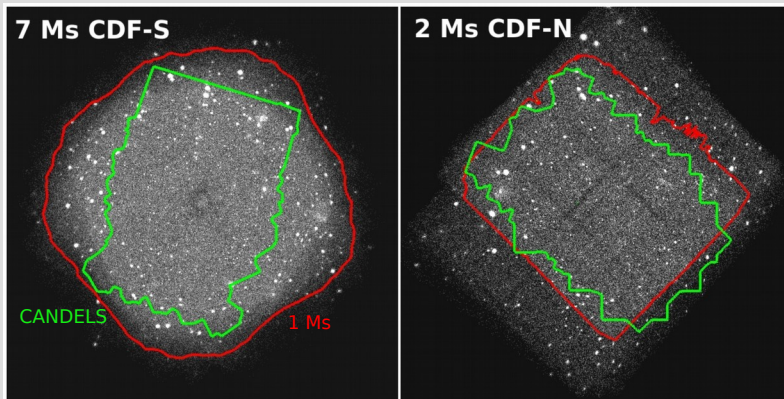
## Redshift Distributions - AGNs and Galaxies



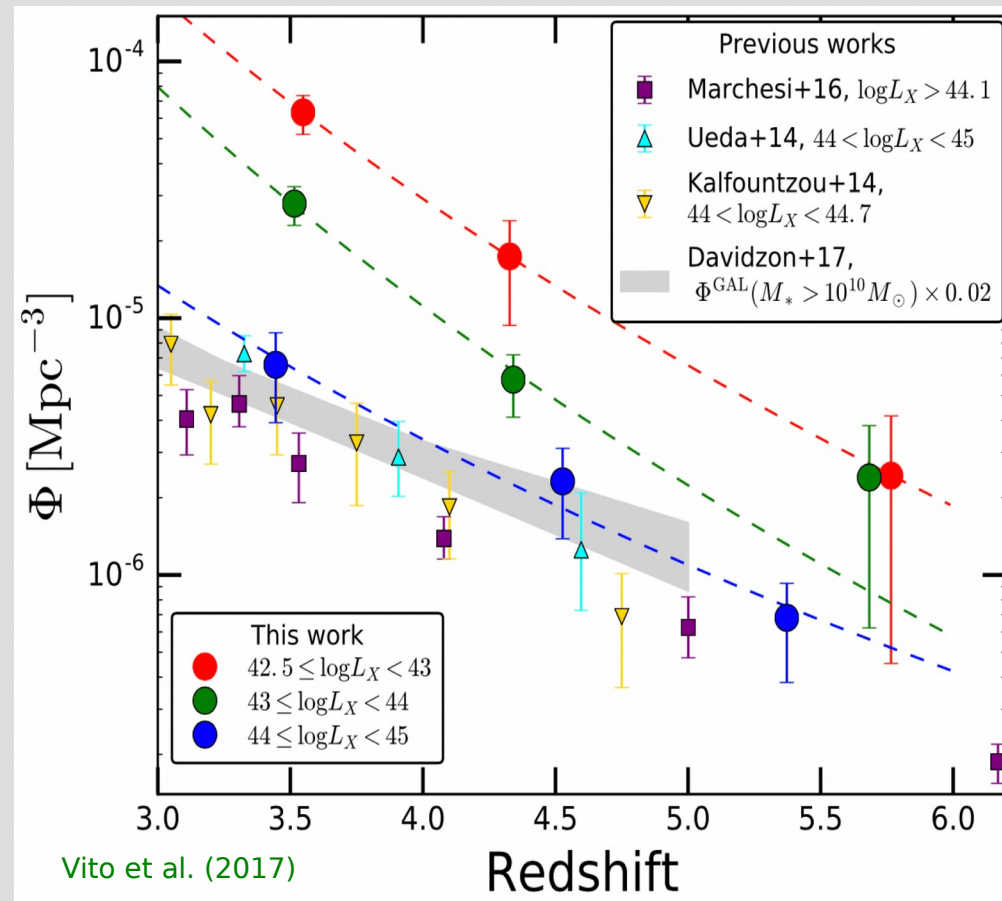


# Space Density at $z \sim 3-5$ for Moderate-Luminosity X-ray AGNs

Utilized Regions of CDFs



High-Redshift Decline at Low, Moderate, and High Luminosities



Tough work – small samples, follow-up hard, incompleteness corrections.

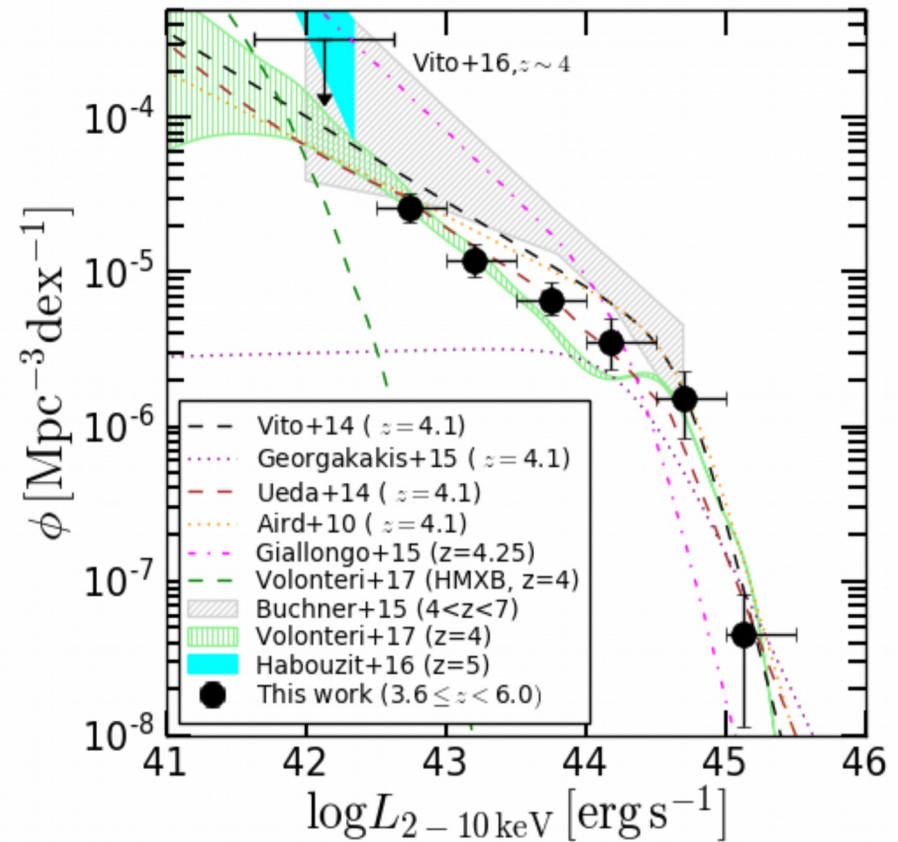
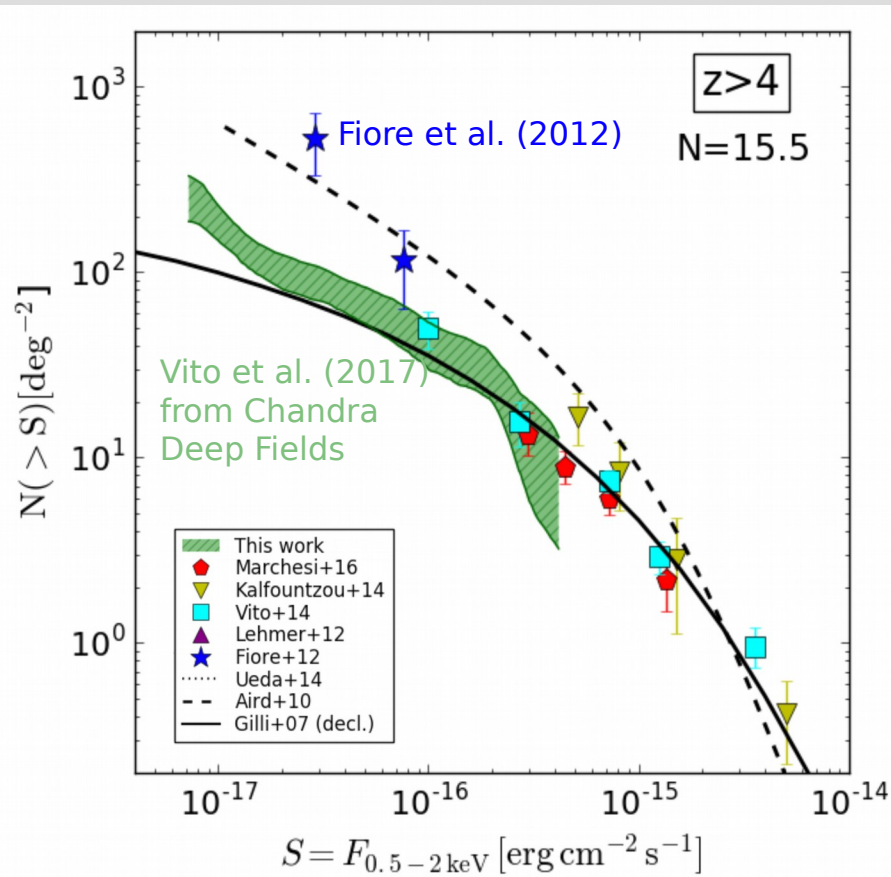
Decline at low-to-moderate  $L_X$  slightly steeper than at high luminosities.

Similar to but weaker than trend in Georgakakis et al. (2015).

Decline at moderate  $L_X$  also steeper than for massive galaxies at high redshifts.



# logN – logS and X-ray Luminosity Function

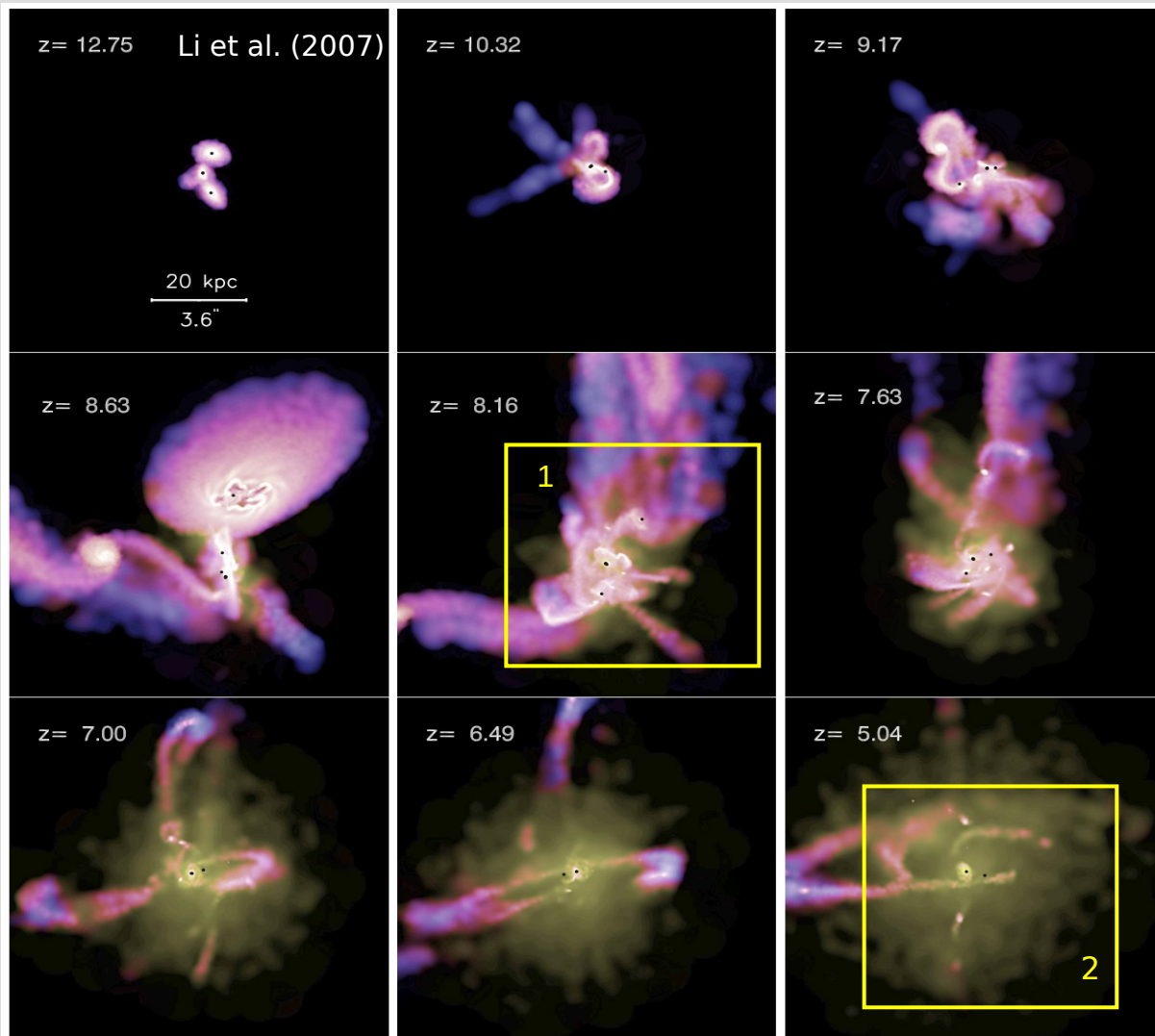


Agree with earlier work at the bright end, and lower than some past claims at the faint end.

Space density is lower than many theoretical model predictions from 2010-2015.

AGNs are unlikely to drive  $z \sim 6$  cosmic reionization.

# Simulation of the Formation of a $z \sim 6$ Quasar from Hierarchical Galaxy Mergers

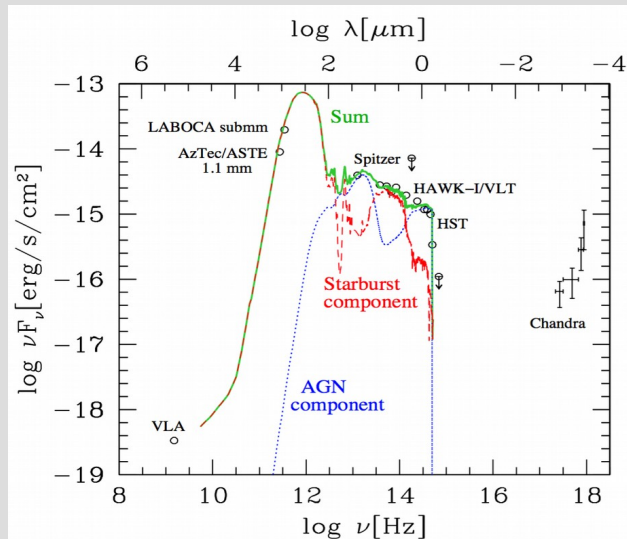
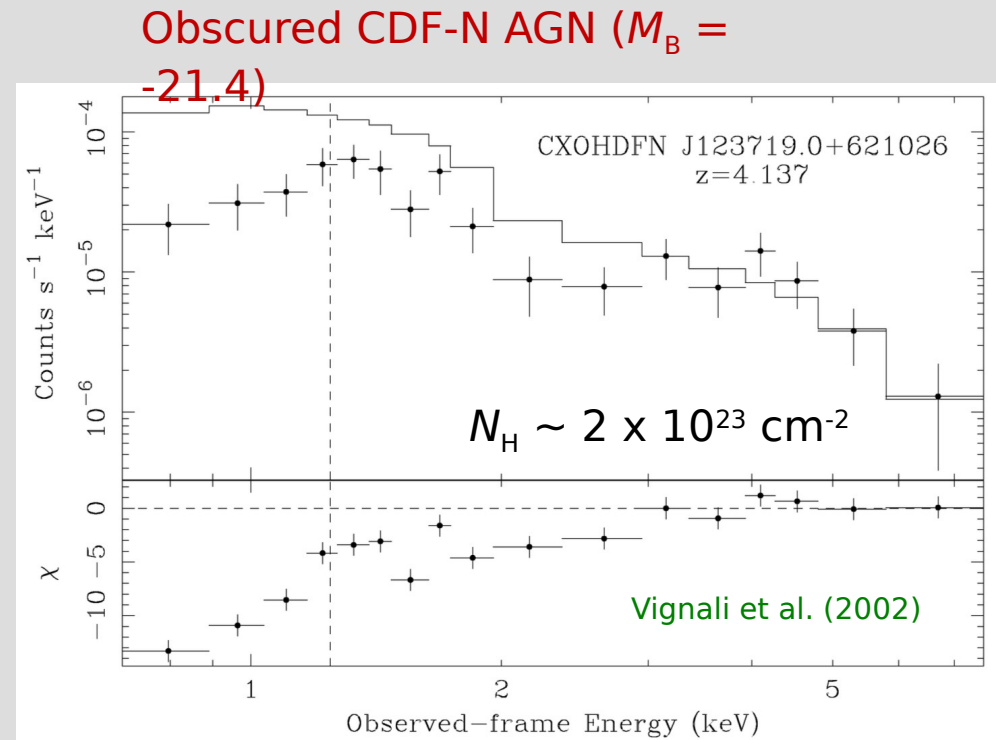
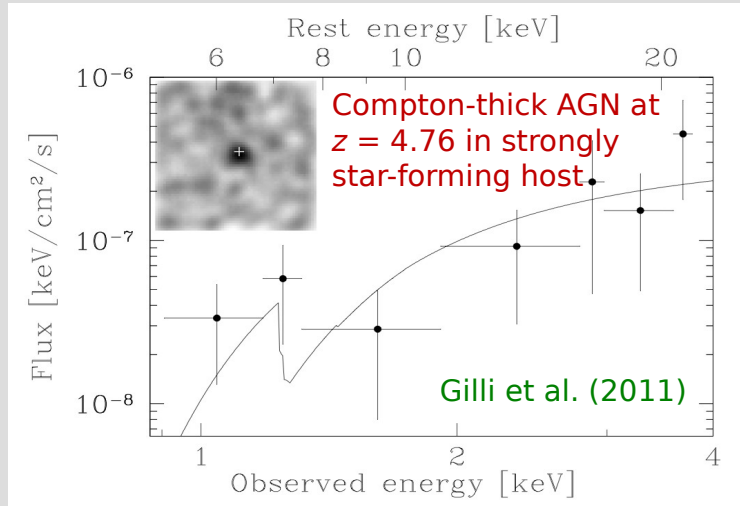


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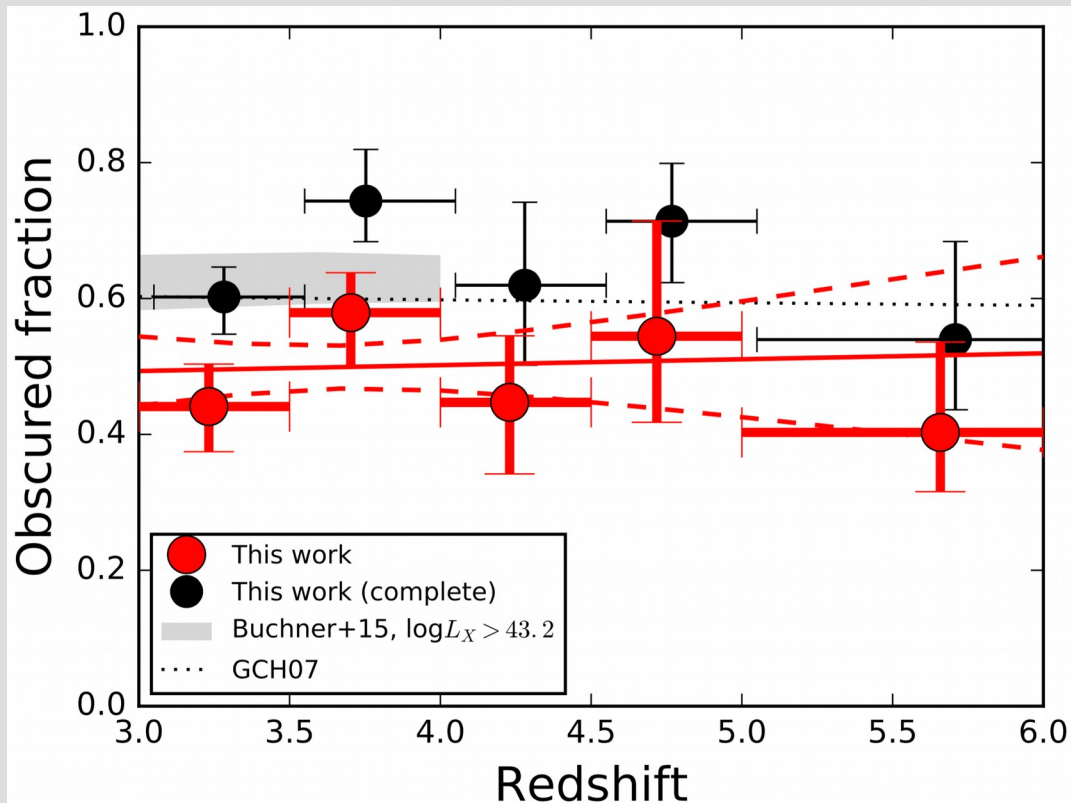
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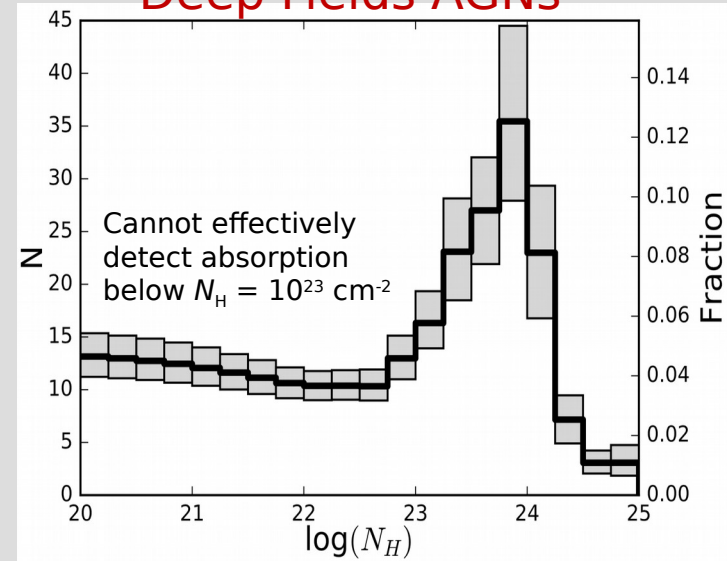


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High Obscured Fraction ( $N_H > 10^{23} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ )  
of Chandra Deep Fields AGNs

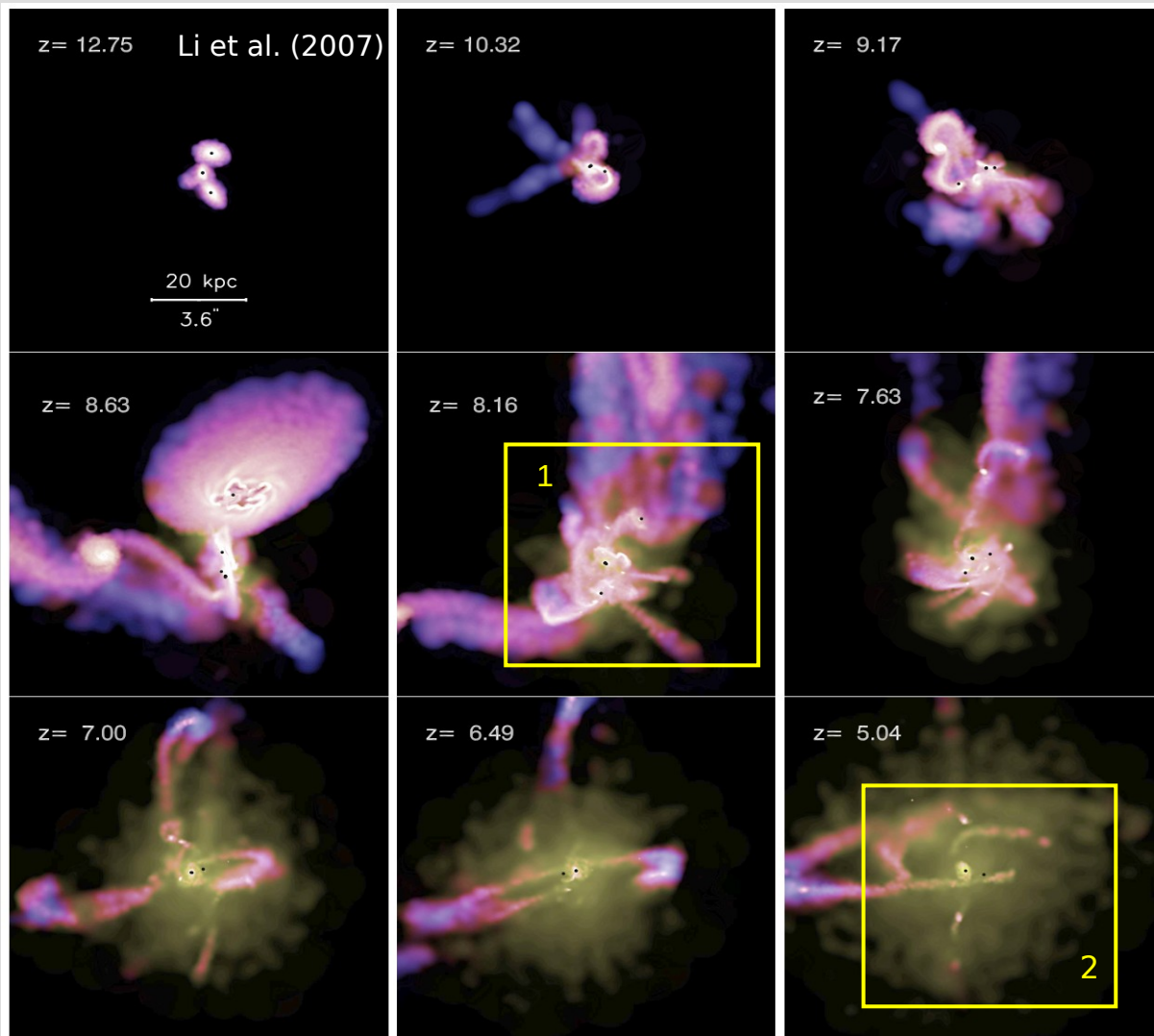


Column Density  
Distribution of Chandra  
Deep Fields AGNs



Vito et al. (2017)

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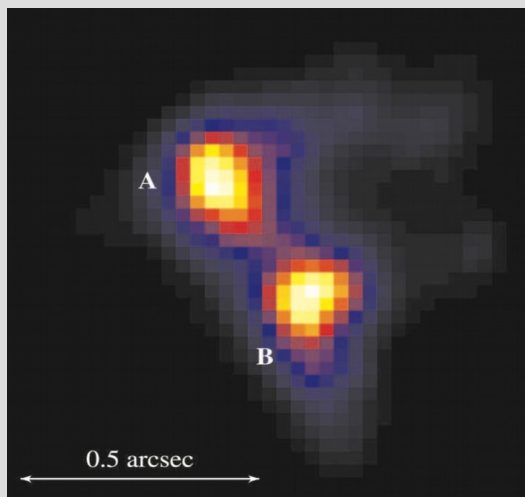
# Powerful Winds from Luminous High-Redshift Quasars

Implied X-ray velocity is  $v \sim 0.2-0.4c$ .

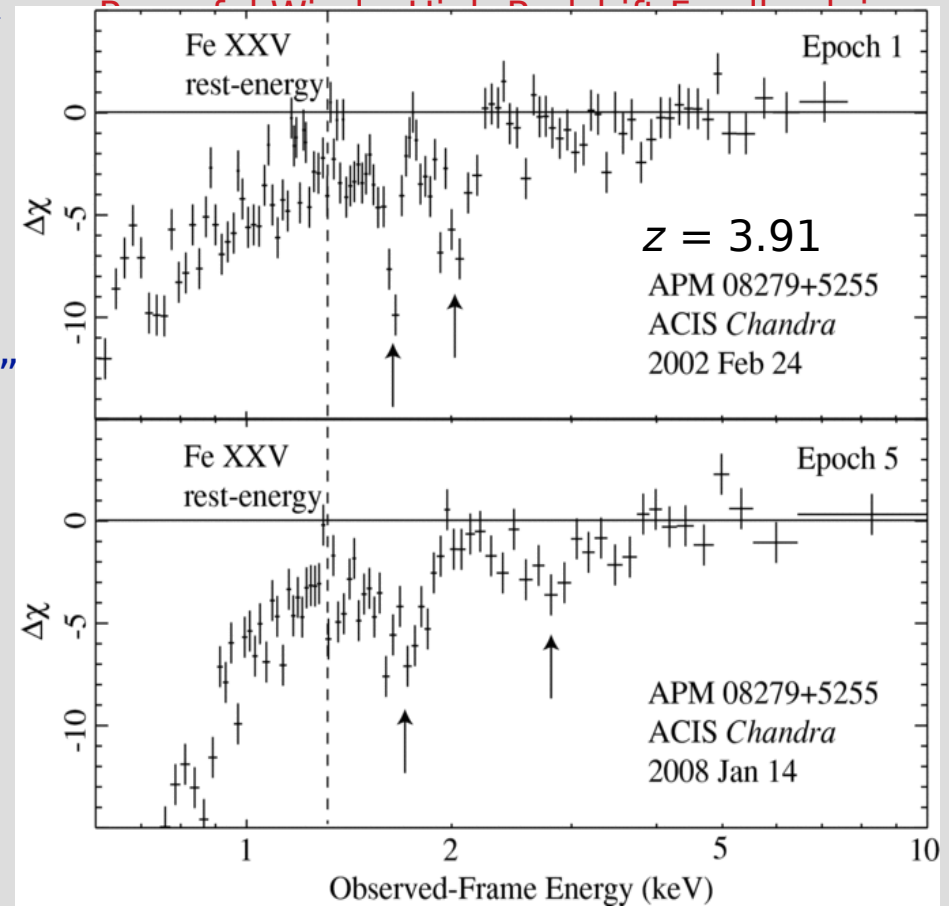
Implied mass-outflow rate is  $\sim 10-30 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$   
and kinetic luminosity is  $\sim 10^{46-47} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ .

Could be present but undetected in many other high-redshift quasars (had boost from gravitational lensing).

First example of a “Ultra Fast Outflow (UFO)”



X-ray Broad Absorption Lines from Iron K  
Indicating

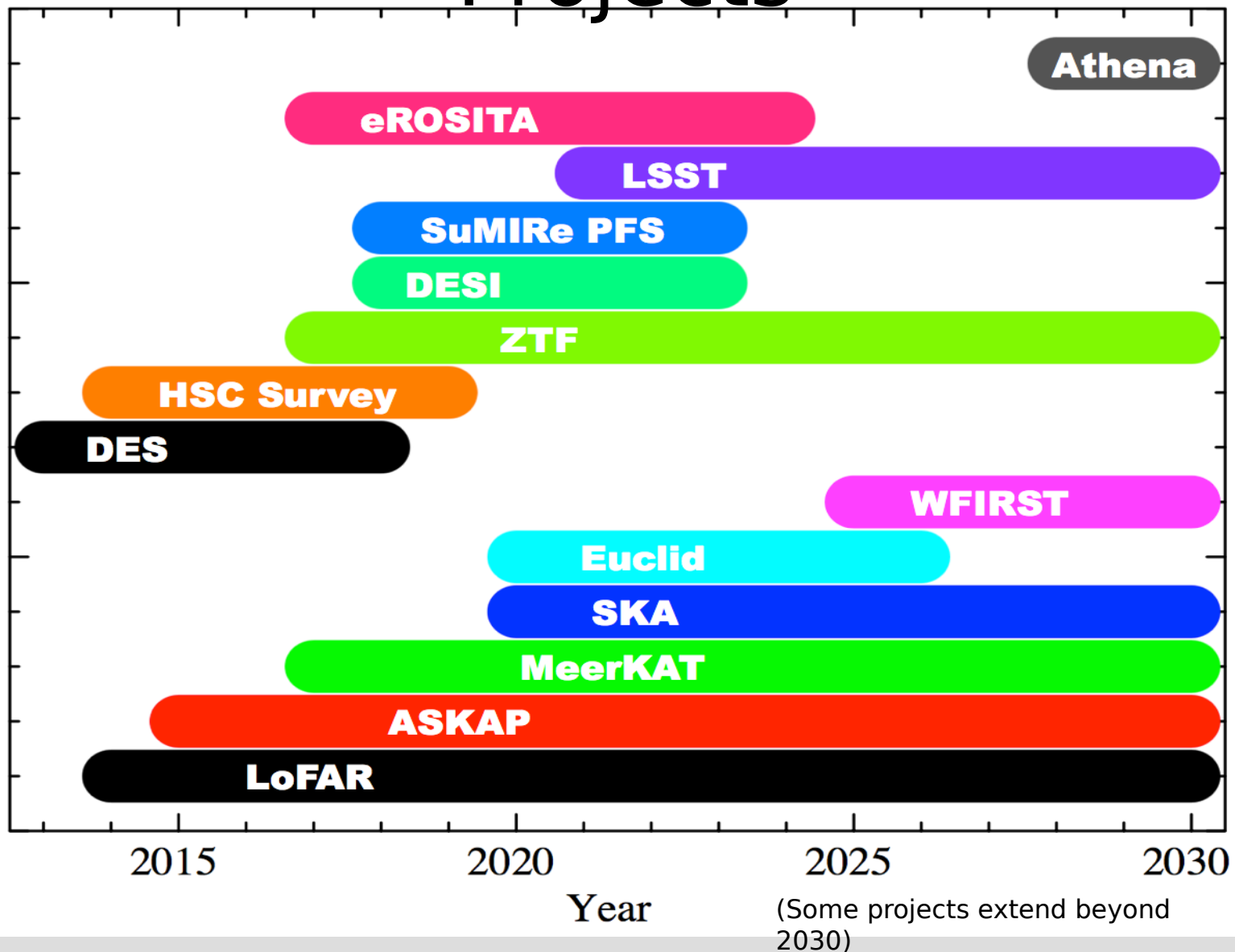


Chartas et al. (2002, 2009)



Some Prospects  
for the 2020's

# Some Future Large Survey Projects

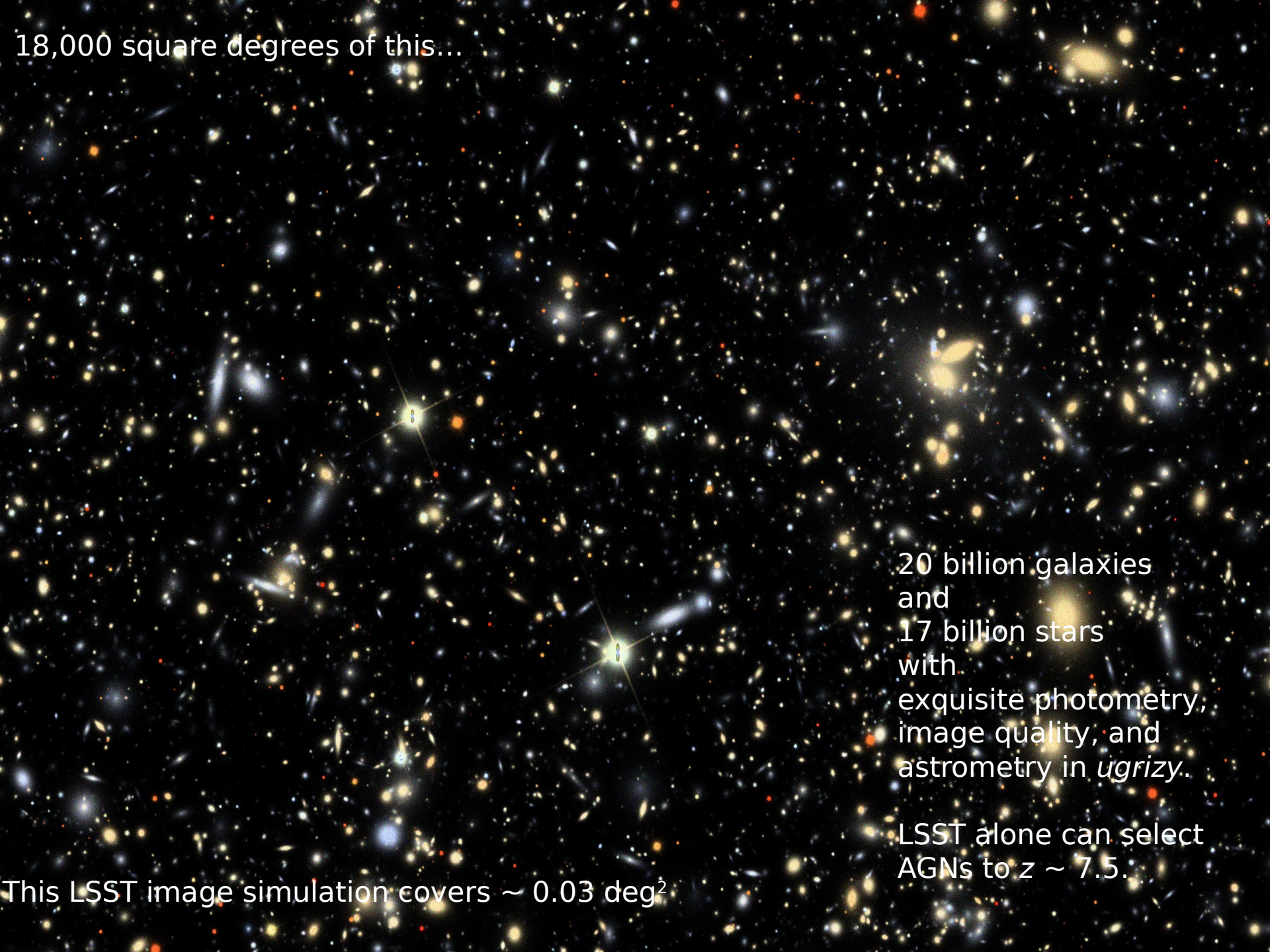


# LSST Becoming Real!





18,000 square degrees of this...



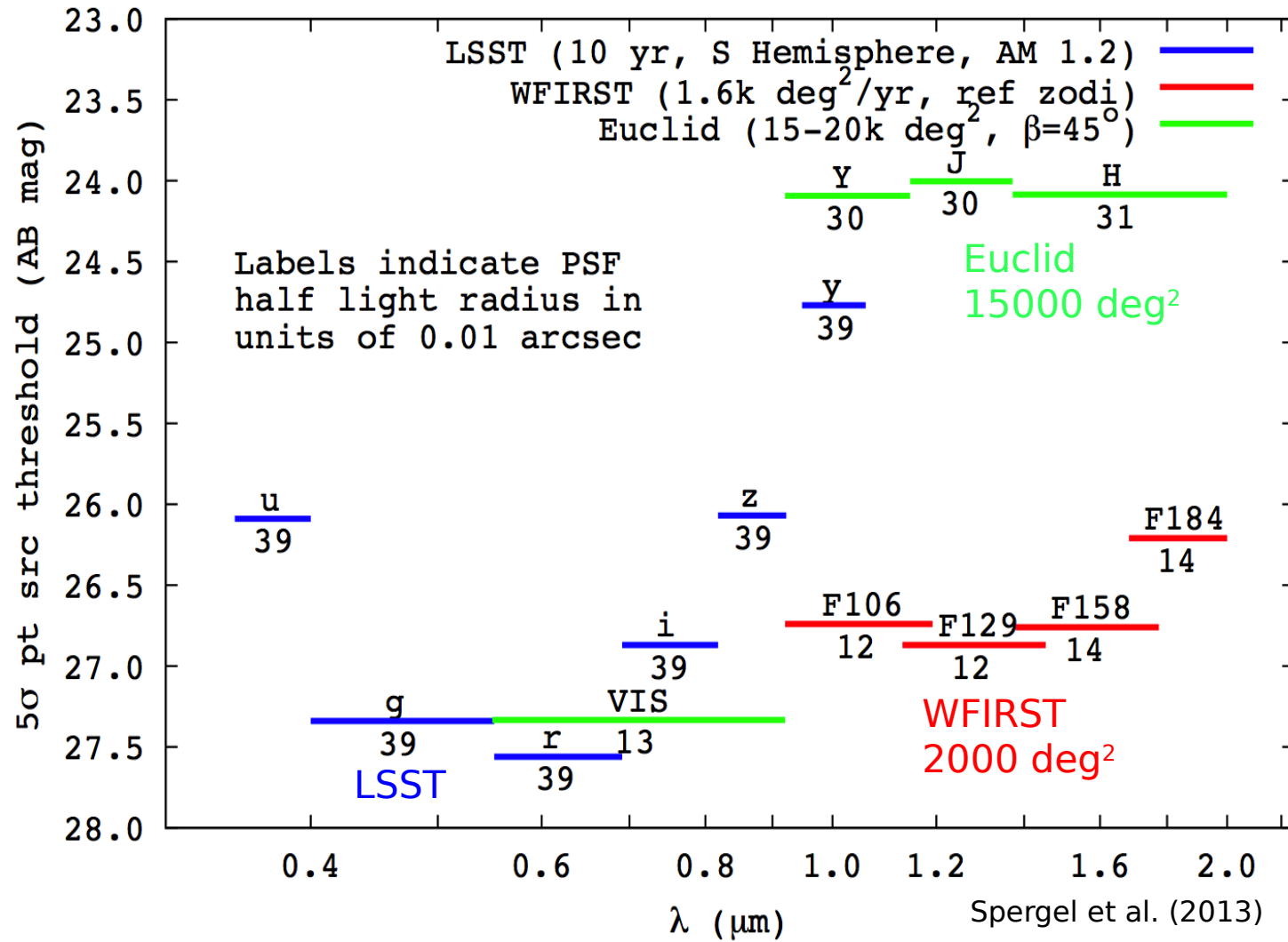
20 billion galaxies  
and  
17 billion stars  
with  
exquisite photometry,  
image quality, and  
astrometry in *ugrizy*.

LSST alone can select  
AGNs to  $z \sim 7.5$ .

This LSST image simulation covers  $\sim 0.03 \text{ deg}^2$



# Sensitivities of LSST, WFIRST, and Euclid



LSST + WFIRST/Euclid should discover  $\sim 1500$  AGNs at  $z > 7$ , and  $\sim 30$  at  $z > 10$

excellent targets for X-ray follow-up studies with Chandra, XMM-Newton, Athena.

# Massive Mining of Chandra and XMM-Newton Archives

Solid Angle vs. Depth for a 25 yr Chandra + XMM-Newton Survey

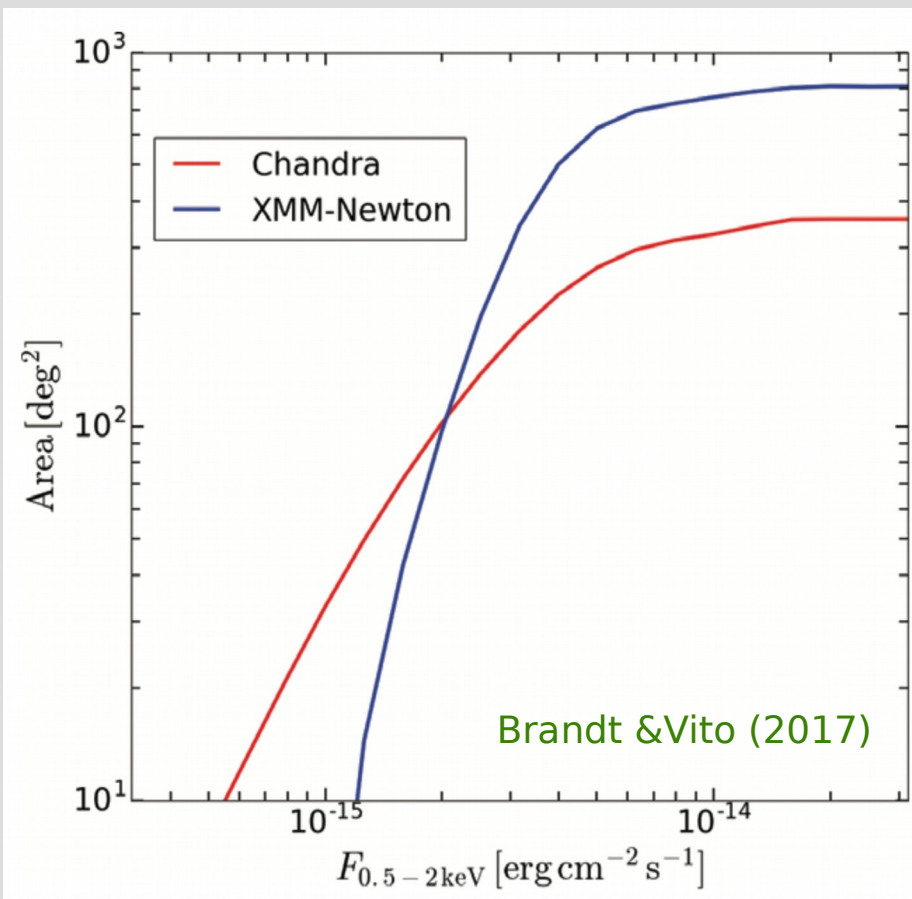
Combine Chandra and XMM-Newton source catalogs, especially for deeper observations, with DES, HSC, LSST, Euclid, WFIRST, etc.

Can aim for an effective  $z \sim 4 - 8$  AGN survey, including obscured AGNs, over  $\sim 1100 \text{ deg}^2$ .

Identify X-ray sources with optical / NIR colors indicating high redshifts.

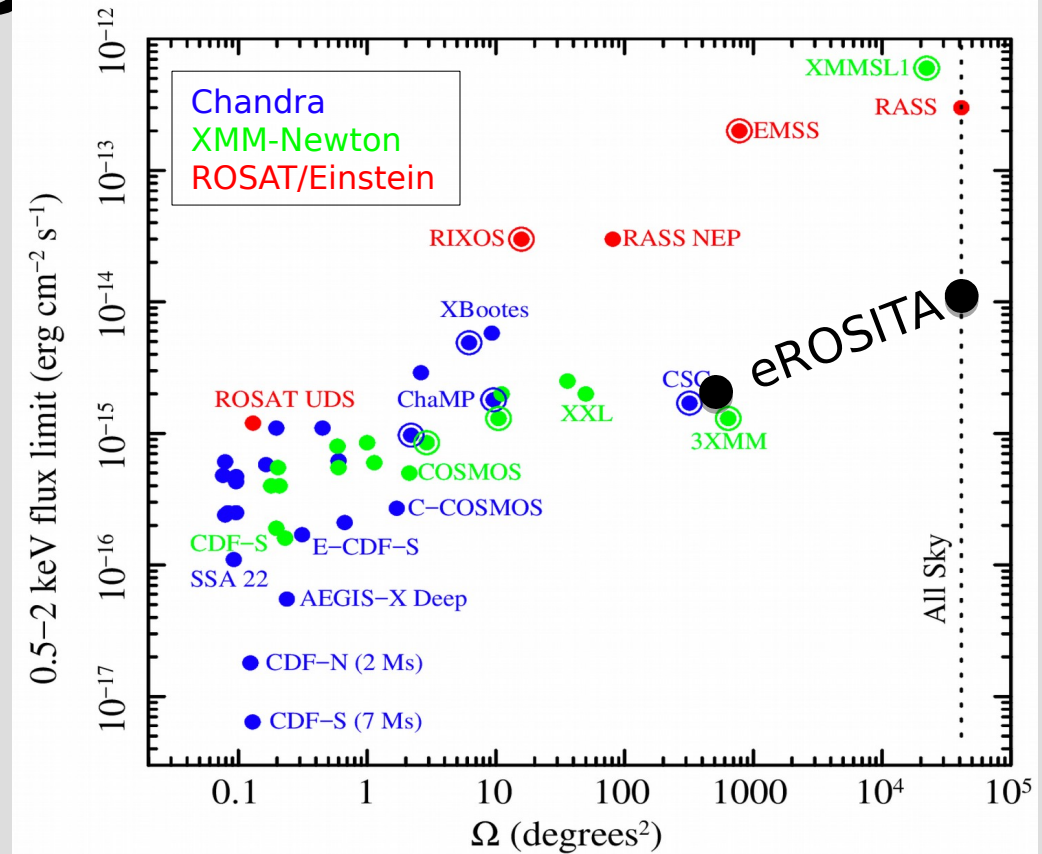
Only new cost is follow-up spectroscopy, which could use DESI, PFS, 4MOST.

Measure XLF bright end and  $f_{\text{AGN}}$  with





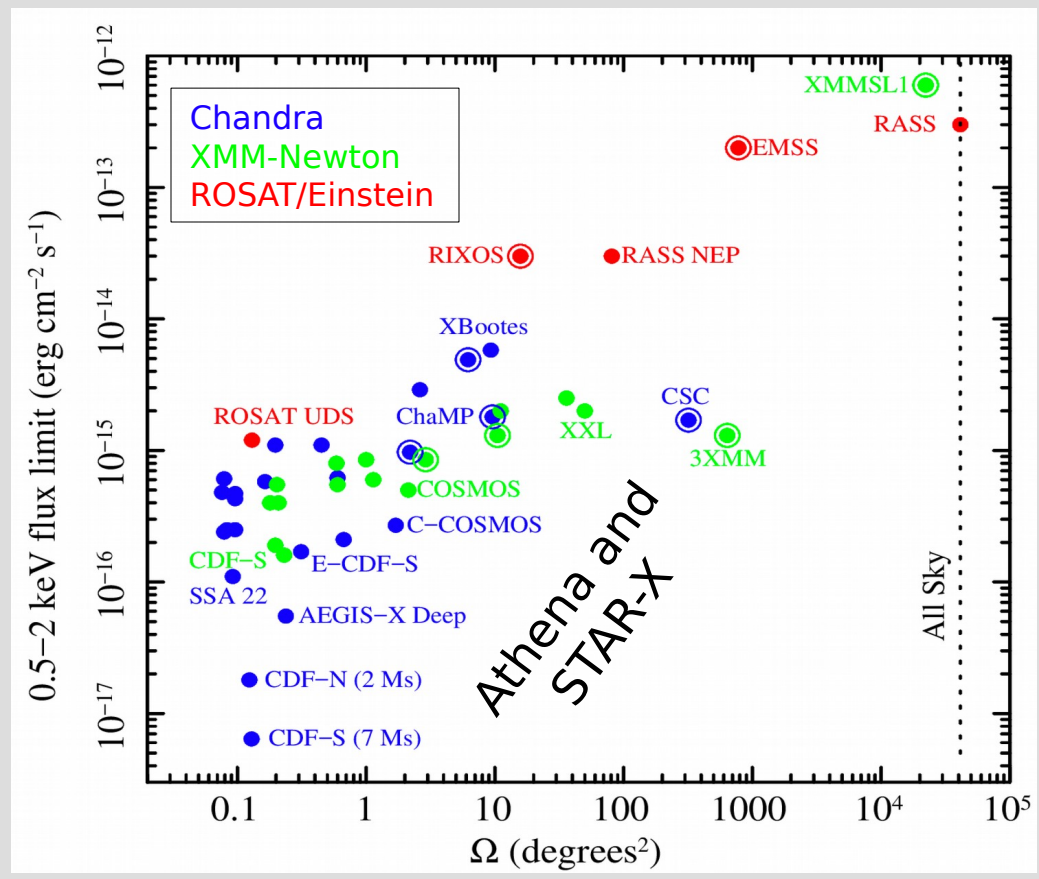
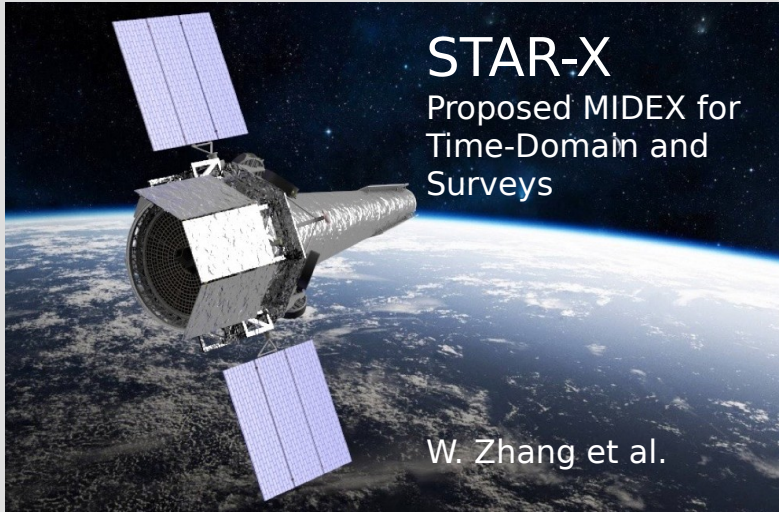
# eROSITA Launching Soon



About 20 times more sensitive than ROSAT RASS, and will discover about 3 million AGNs.

Helpful for pinning down high-redshift XLF bright end.

# Need More ~ Chandra Deep Fields

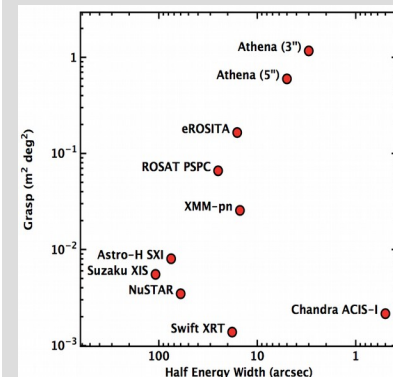
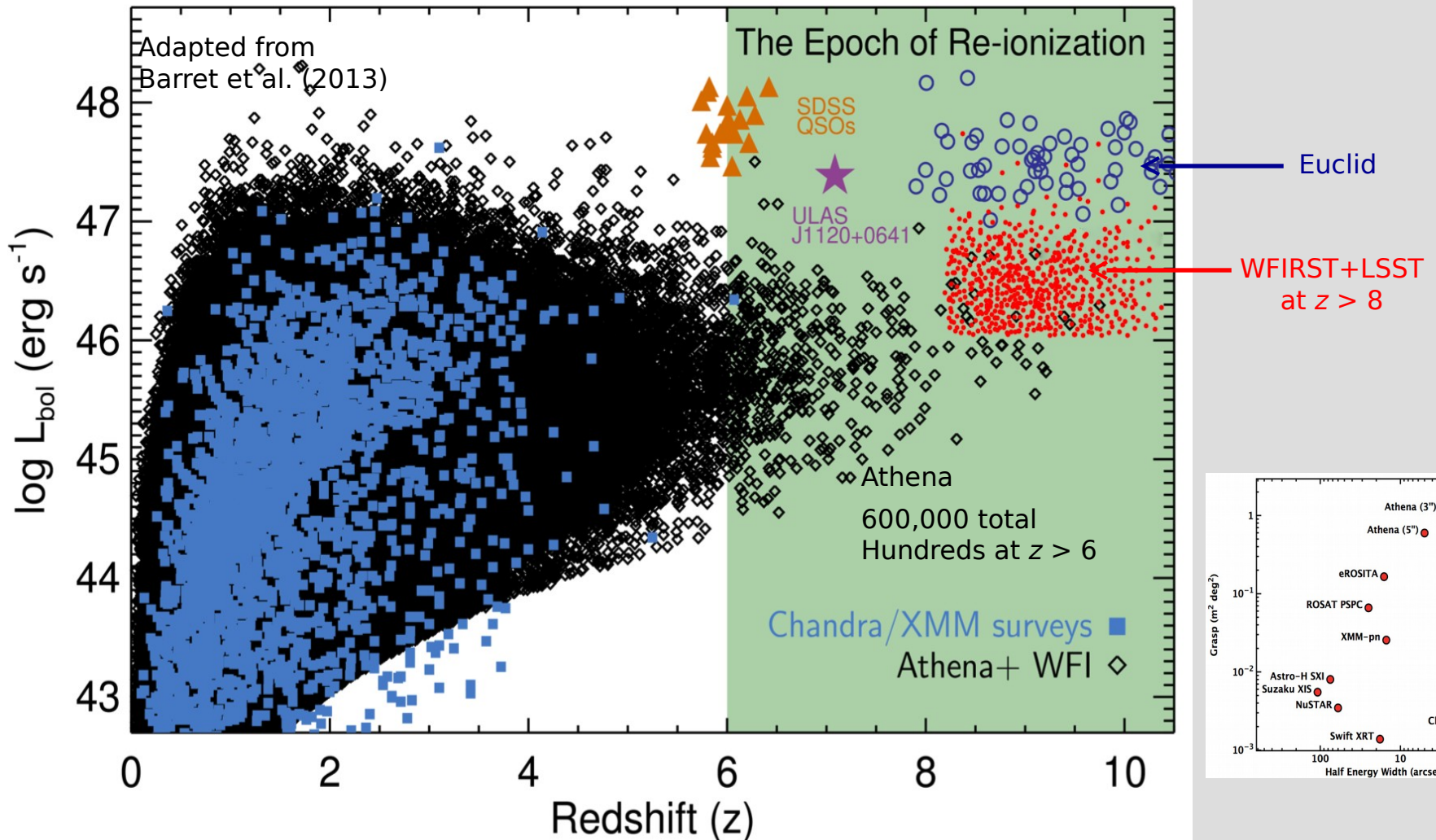


More  $\Omega$  needed for  $z = 5-10$  obscured and faint AGN populations.

Also better photon statistics for characterization.

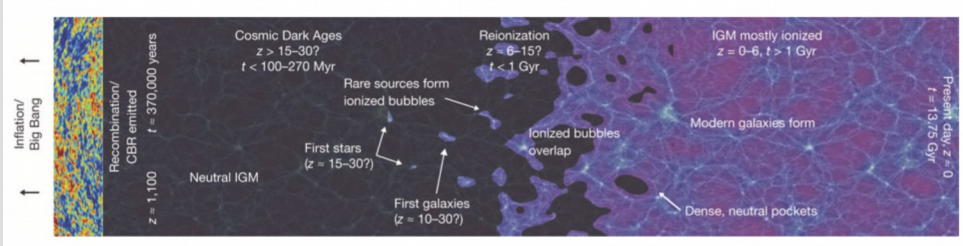


# High-Redshift AGNs from a 25 Ms Multi-Tier Athena Survey Program





# 21 cm Measurements of X-ray IGM Heating/Ionization



First X-ray sources heated the IGM at  $z \sim 10-20$  from  $T \sim \text{few K}$  to  $T > 10000$  K. They also mildly ionized the IGM (in addition to stars) to the level of  $\sim 0.001$ .



**SKA1 LOW** - the SKA's low-frequency instrument

The Square Kilometre Array (SKA) will be the world's largest radio telescope, revolutionising our understanding of the Universe. The SKA will be built in two phases - SKA1 and SKA2 - starting in 2018, with SKA1 representing a fraction of the full SKA. SKA1 will include two instruments - SKA1 MID and SKA1 LOW - observing the Universe at different frequencies.

Location: Australia

Frequency range:  
**50 MHz to 350 MHz**

**~130,000**  
antennas spread between  
**500 stations**

Total collecting area:  
**0.4km<sup>2</sup>**

Maximum distance between stations:  
**65km**

SKA1 LOW

Total raw data output:

**157 terabytes**  
per second

**4.9 zettabytes**  
per year

Enough to fill up  
**35,000 DVDs**  
every second

**5x**  
the estimated  
global internet  
traffic in 2015  
[source: Cisco]

Compared to LOFAR Netherlands, the current best similar instrument in the world

**25%**  
better  
resolution

**8x**  
more  
sensitive

**135x**  
the survey  
speed

[www.skatelescope.org](http://www.skatelescope.org)

[f](#) Square Kilometre Array

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[v](#) YouTube The Square Kilometre Array

Many more such experiments ongoing!

# SMBH Seeds and Lynx



# Possible Seeds of First SMBHs

Possible Black Hole “Seeds”  
Formed in a Protogalaxy

Early AGN

Early Pop III  
Remnants -  
Isolated  
and  
Binaries

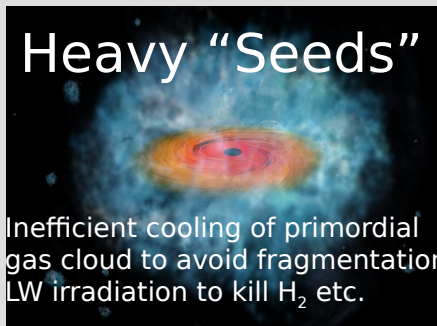


Light “Seeds”

Eddington-Limited  
or Super-Eddington  
Growth (Sustainable?)

→  
*Likely obscured*

Direct  
Collapse  
Black  
Holes  
( $10^4$ - $10^5 M_{\odot}$ )

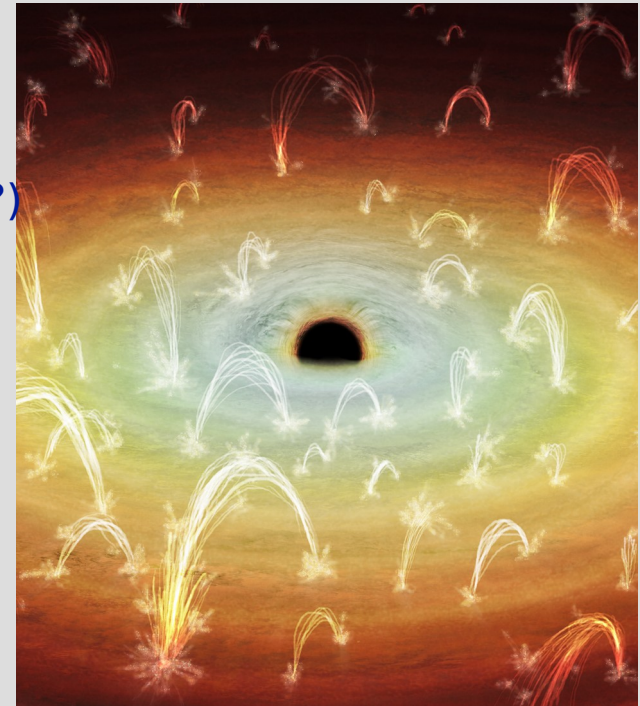


Heavy “Seeds”

Inefficient cooling of primordial  
gas cloud to avoid fragmentation.  
LW irradiation to kill  $H_2$  etc.

Episodic  
Growth

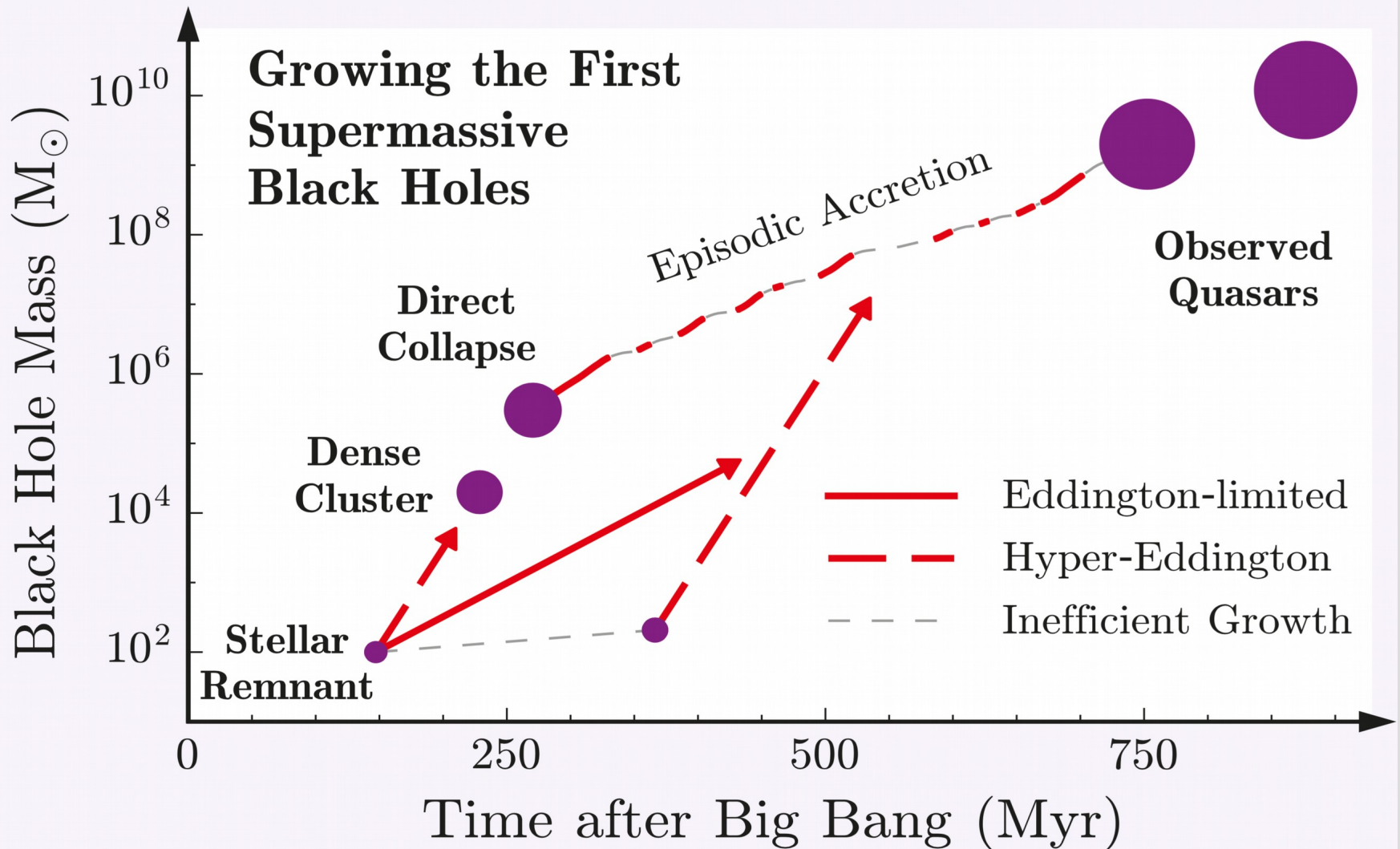
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What is the nature of the seeds? Light or heavy?  
Extremely sensitive X-ray measurements needed.



# Possible Seeds of First SMBHs



# Stacking: A Romantic Example



3 / 100  
second  
exposure

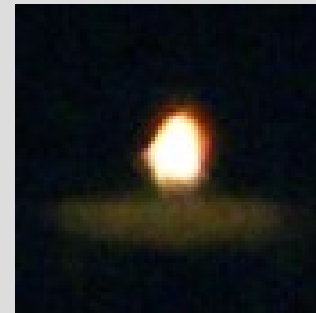


1 / 1000 second  
exposure



Stacked image →

30 candles with 1/1000 sec exposure = 3/100  
sec



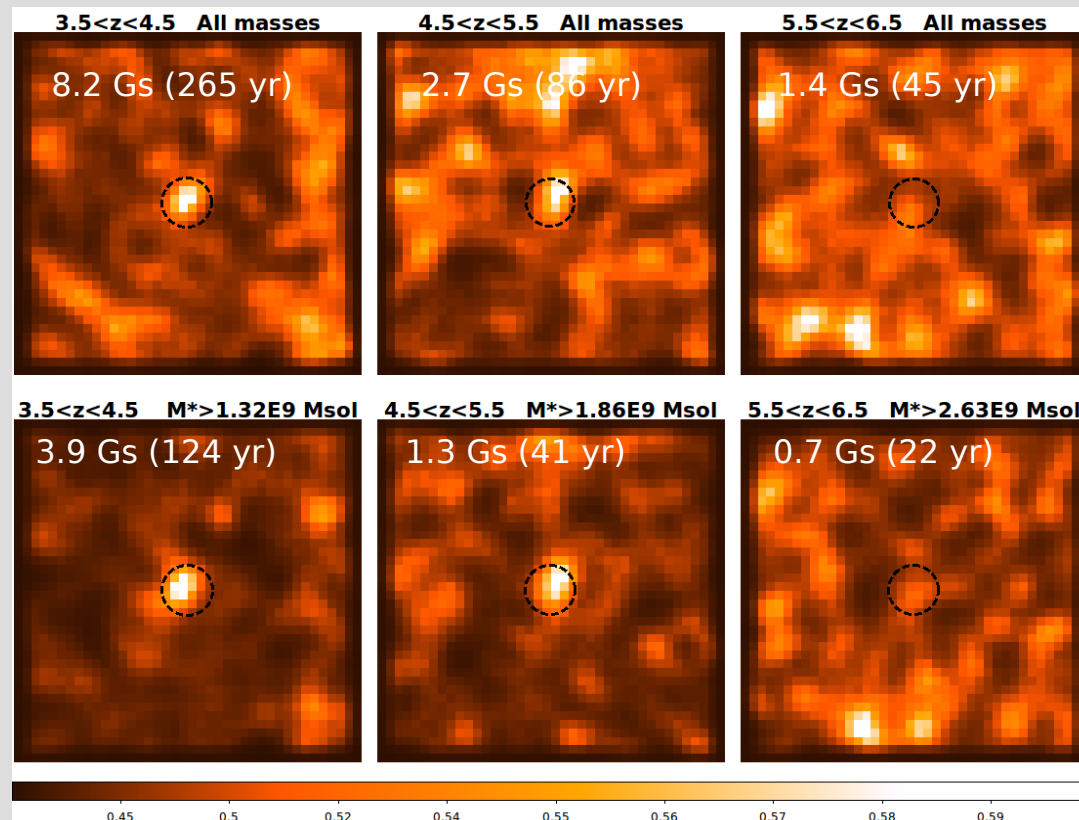
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X-ray stacking of individually undetected galaxies (100-1400 per bin) can provide average X-ray detections to  $z = 4.5$ - $5.5$ , and useful upper limits at higher redshifts.

Signal appears to be mostly from high-mass X-ray binaries in massive galaxies.

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Note the Gigasecond stacked exposures!

Vito et al. (2016)



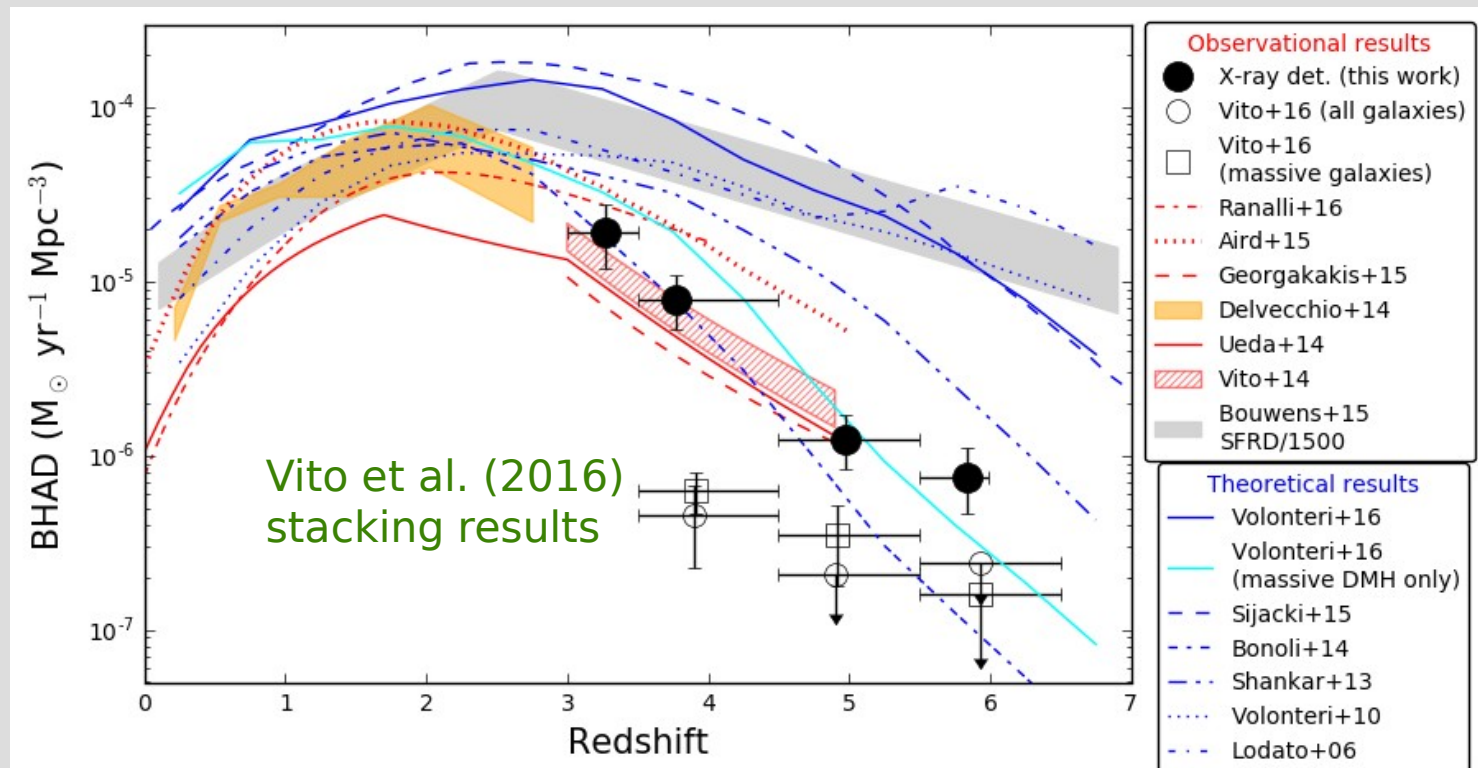
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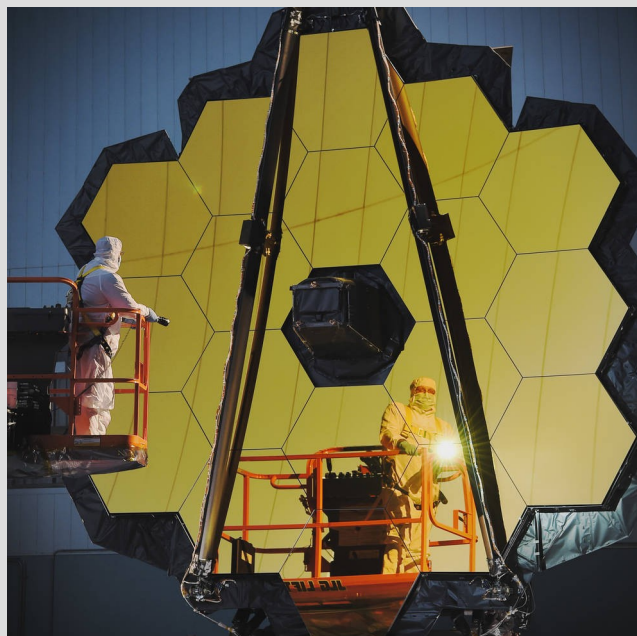


# Pushing to the Highest Redshifts with Stacking

## Stacking of Lyman Break Galaxy Samples with 7 Ms CDF-S

$z$	$N$	$\langle H \rangle$ mag	Exp. ( $10^9$ s)	$CR_{TOT}^w$ ( $10^{-5}$ cts $s^{-1}$ )	$F_{0.5-2\text{keV}}^{w,obs,TOT}$ ( $10^{-16}$ erg $\text{cm}^{-2}$ $s^{-1}$ )	$SNR_{boot}$ $\sigma$
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
$\sim 4$	2444	26.4	14.33	$11.30 \pm 5.12$	$7.06 \pm 3.20$	2.26
$\sim 5$	673	26.7	3.95	$< 2.63$	$< 1.64$	0.48
$\sim 6$	259	26.8	1.52	$< 1.58$	$< 0.99$	-1.89
$\sim 7$	107	27.1	0.62	$< 1.03$	$< 0.64$	0.60
$\sim 8$	36	27.1	0.21	$< 0.32$	$< 0.20$	-1.65

Vito et al.  
(2016)

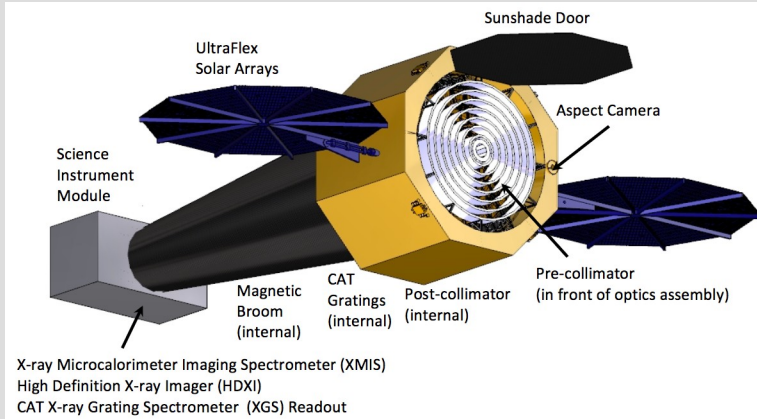


JWST will provide large samples at higher redshifts, better redshift identifications, and better removal of low-redshift interlopers.

Aim to push Chandra stacking analyses to  $z \sim 10-15$  with the samples of high-redshift galaxies from JWST in the 7 Ms CDF-S (and other fields).

Also could stack 21-cm selected regions, or perform cross-correlation analyses.

# Lynx Basic Parameters



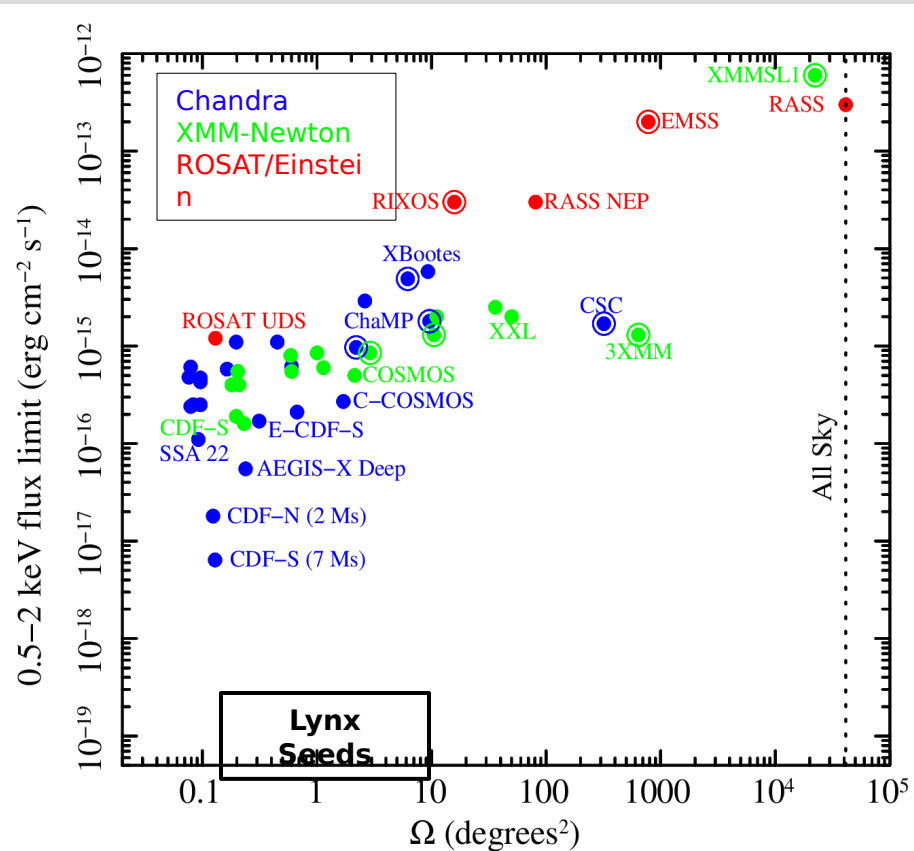
Chandra-like angular resolution  
 30-50 x effective area of Chandra  
 15 x FOV of Chandra  
 20 x sensitivity of Chandra

	Chandra	X-Ray Surveyor
Relative effective area (0.5 – 2 keV)	1 (HRMA + ACIS)	50
Angular resolution (50% power diam.)	0.5"	0.5"
4 Ms point source sensitivity (erg/s/cm <sup>2</sup> )	5x10 <sup>-18</sup>	3x10 <sup>-19</sup>
Field of View with < 1" HPD (arcmin <sup>2</sup> )	20	315
Spectral resolving power, R, for point sources	1000 (1 keV) 160 (6 keV)	5000 (0.2-1.2 keV) 1200 (6 keV)
Spatial scale for R>1000 of extended sources	N/A	1"
Wide FOV Imaging	16' x 16' (ACIS) 30' x 30' (HRC)	22' x 22'

	3x10
Detection threshold @ 4Msec (0.5-2 keV) (for known locations)	<b>3.0x10<sup>-19</sup> erg/s/cm<sup>2</sup></b> (1.1x10 <sup>-19</sup> )
2–10 keV luminosity at z=10 assuming $\Gamma=1.7$	<b>3.7x10<sup>41</sup> erg/s</b> (1.35x10 <sup>41</sup> )
Bolometric luminosity at z=10, assuming 10% correction	<b>3.7x10<sup>42</sup> erg/s</b> (1.35x10 <sup>42</sup> )
Black Hole Mass assuming Eddington rate	<b>29,000 Msun</b> (11,000 Msun)
For X-rays from star forming galaxies, assuming x10 higher L <sub>x</sub> /SFR ratio at z=10 relative to local normalization	<b>SFR=7.4 Msun/yr</b> (2.7 Msun/yr)



# Lynx Survey of SMBH Seeds



A Lynx survey of 1 deg<sup>2</sup> to 0.5-2 keV fluxes of  $1.1 \times 10^{-19}$  cgs can plausibly detect  $\sim 1000$  SMBH seeds at  $z \sim 8-10$  to  $\sim 3 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$ .

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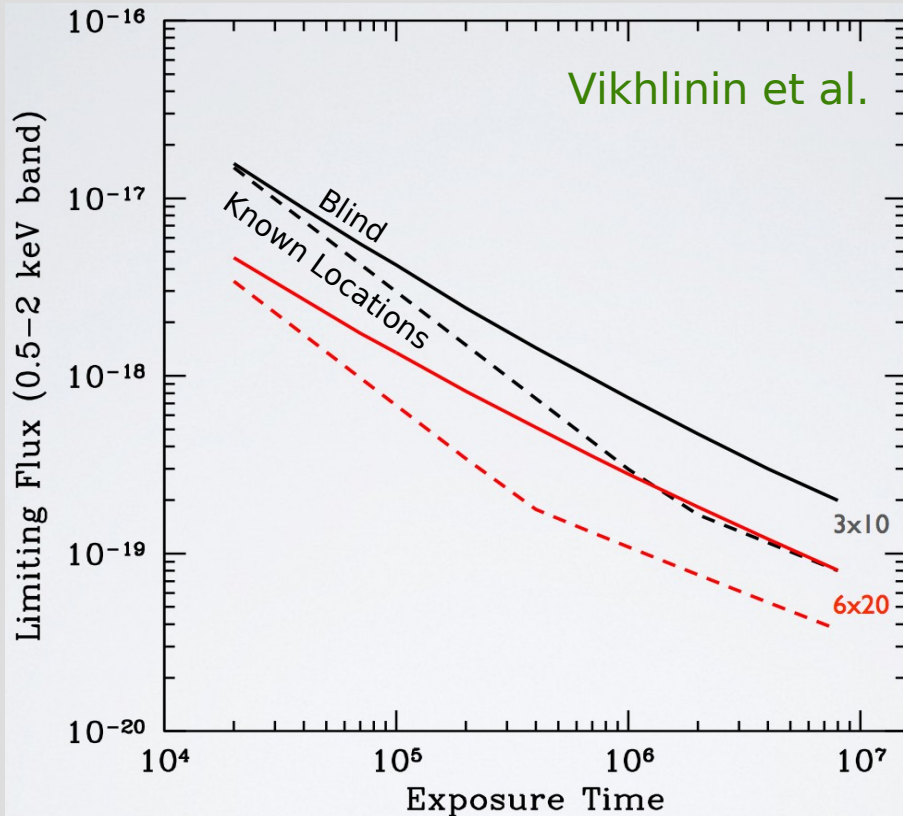
The precise yield is uncertain by factors of at least several (e.g., Volonteri et al. 2017).

Need  $\sim 1000$  such seeds to derive an X-ray luminosity function (XLF) for them.

Details given in Brandt, Haiman, & Vito report on behalf of the Lynx “First Accretion Light” working group.

Survey needs 8.2 Lynx fields of  $\sim 4$  Ms each.

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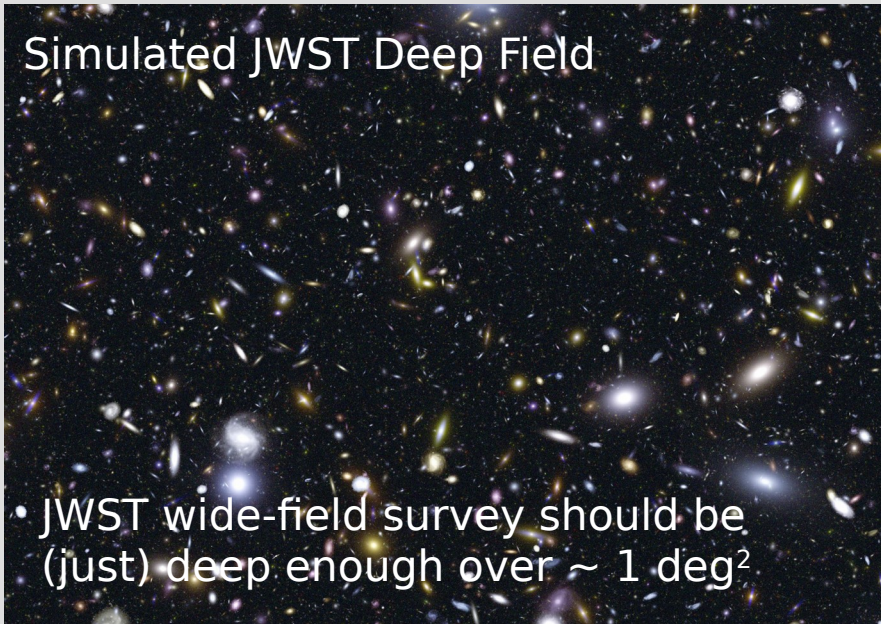
The precise yield is uncertain by factors of at least several (e.g., Volonteri et al. 2017).

Need  $\sim 1000$  such seeds to derive an X-ray luminosity function (XLF) for them.

Survey needs 8.2 Lynx fields of  $\sim 4$  Ms each.

# Sites for the Lynx Survey

Simulated JWST Deep Field

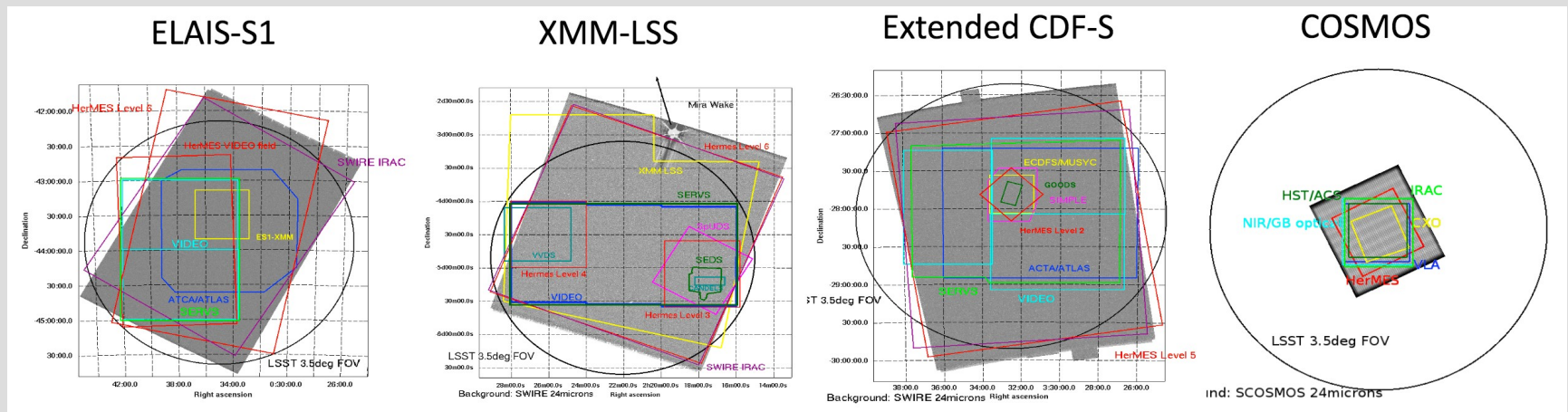


- JWST wide-field survey should be (just) deep enough over  $\sim 1 \text{ deg}^2$

This survey must be sited in regions with ultradeep MIR/NIR/optical data from JWST, WFIRST, LSST, GSMTs, 21 cm, etc.

Needed to aid the X-ray source searching, to identify  $z \sim 7-10$  counterparts, and to measure host stellar masses.

## Some Good Potential Sites: The Central LSST Deep Drilling Fields





# XLF for Light Seeds and Heavy Seeds

The behavior of the high-redshift X-ray luminosity function (XLF) at the very faint end will be key for insights into seed-growth models.

## *Light Seeds:*

Growth should lead to a large number of faint high-redshift AGN fueled by accretion onto low-mass BH – steep XLF.

## *Heavy Seeds:*

AGNs can more easily reach luminosities close to  $L_*$ , producing a flatter faint end of XLF.

But seed mass, Eddington-ratio distribution, and occupation fraction can be traded-off against each other to give similar XLFs (e.g., Volonteri et al. 2017).

# Using XLF + Hosts to Study Seeds

The Lynx XLF alone cannot determine seed masses - utilize additional information such as their host stellar masses.

## *Light seeds:*

The  $\sim 3 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$  black hole was assembled from many stellar-mass black holes, and a larger stellar cluster ( $M_* \sim 2 \times 10^7 M_{\odot}$ ) is needed to make them (cf. gas blow out, black-hole ejections, etc.).

## *Heavy seeds:*

The black hole can consume most of the gas in its halo, so it will have only a small stellar cluster around it ( $M_* < 10^6 M_{\odot}$ ). This cluster's light will be subdominant compared to black-hole emission.

The hope is that both XLF + host information together can discriminate light seeds vs. heavy seeds.

# The End

