#### Measuring Scatter in the Cluster Mass-Richness Relation For The Dark Energy Survey

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# Cosmology via Clusters

- Galaxy cluster evolution puts strong constraints on dark energy equation of state
- Higher dark energy density in the past → slower forming clusters → clusters need to have started forming sooner



Mohr (2005)

# Cosmology via Clusters (continued)



• Want to measure dn(z)/dM, but need to understand f(M, z)

## Understanding Selection

- Need well-understood, robust cluster finder: redMaPPer
- Need mass proxy: richness (roughly: # of red-sequence galaxies in cluster)
- Need mass-proxy relation and scatter



Rozo & Rykoff 2014 (redMaPPer II)

#### The Mass-Richness Relation

- Richness is cheap optical mass proxy
- Can use stacked weak lensing for mean relation, but not scatter
- If scatter not characterized to 5%, it is projected to be the largest source of error for DES cluster constraints [Wu 2010]
- Our goal: measure scatter through Tx, Lx using archival Chandra Data

## Chandra Pipeline

- Takes (RA, Dec, z) from redMaPPer cluster finder
- Downloads and reduces corresponding archival Chandra data by running CIAO tools
- Iteratively finds X-ray centroid(s)
- Runs XSPEC to fit spectrum within 500 kpc, r2500, and r500.
  - Yields Tx, Lx
  - Does core cropping for r500



#### Iterative Tx Algorithm



#### SDSS Scaling Results Green line is N200 from Rozo et al 2014

- 905 clusters w/in Chandra
- 571 detected, 270 not detected, 64 not useable
- 250 w/ r2500 Tx
- 188 w/ r500 core-cropped Lx
- 26±2% r2500 Tx-Lambda scatter
- 64±3% r500 core-cropped Lx-Lambda scatter



## Centering

- Also looked at offset between redMaPPer center and X-ray centroid
- Useful for weak lensing / as check on redMaPPer



#### Centering Examples





#### Next Steps

- Looking at luminosity upper limits for things which XSPEC cannot fit reliably
- Paper (hopefully) in the next few months (look for it on the arxiv!)

Thank you.