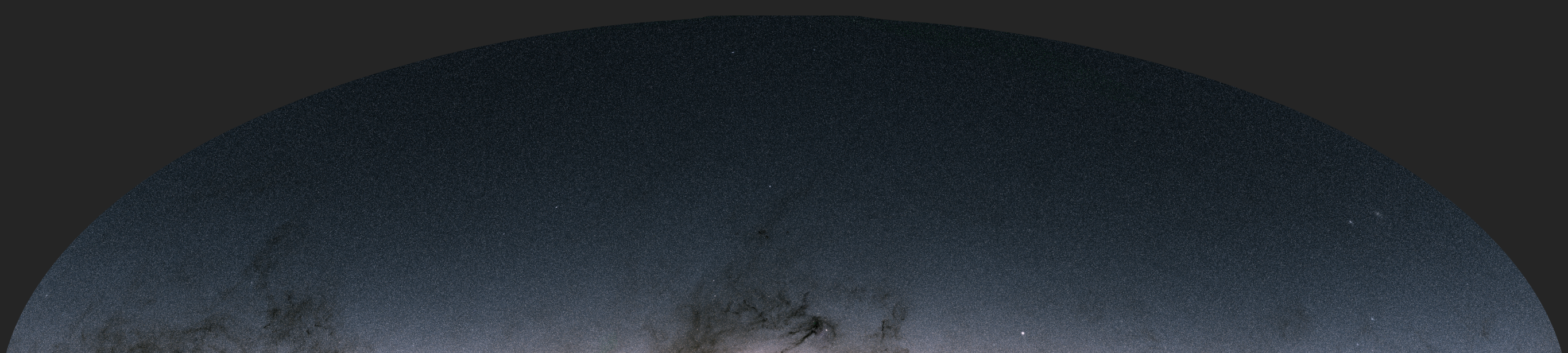




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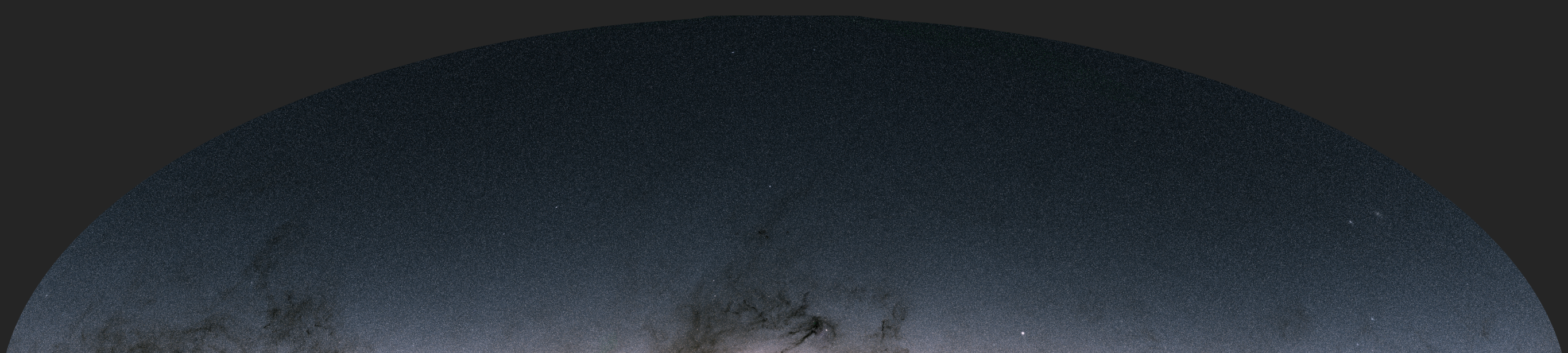




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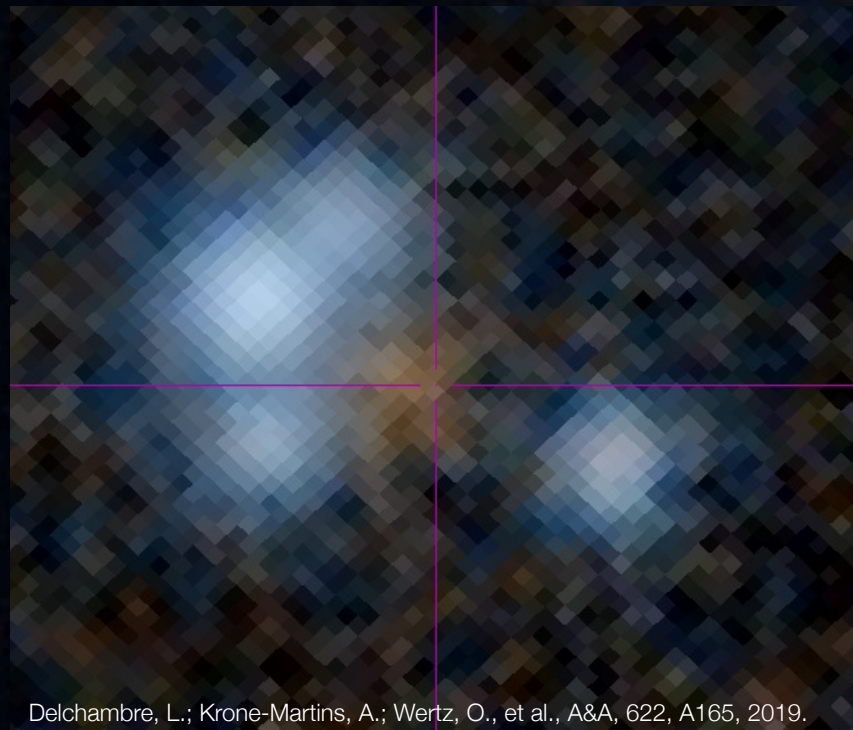
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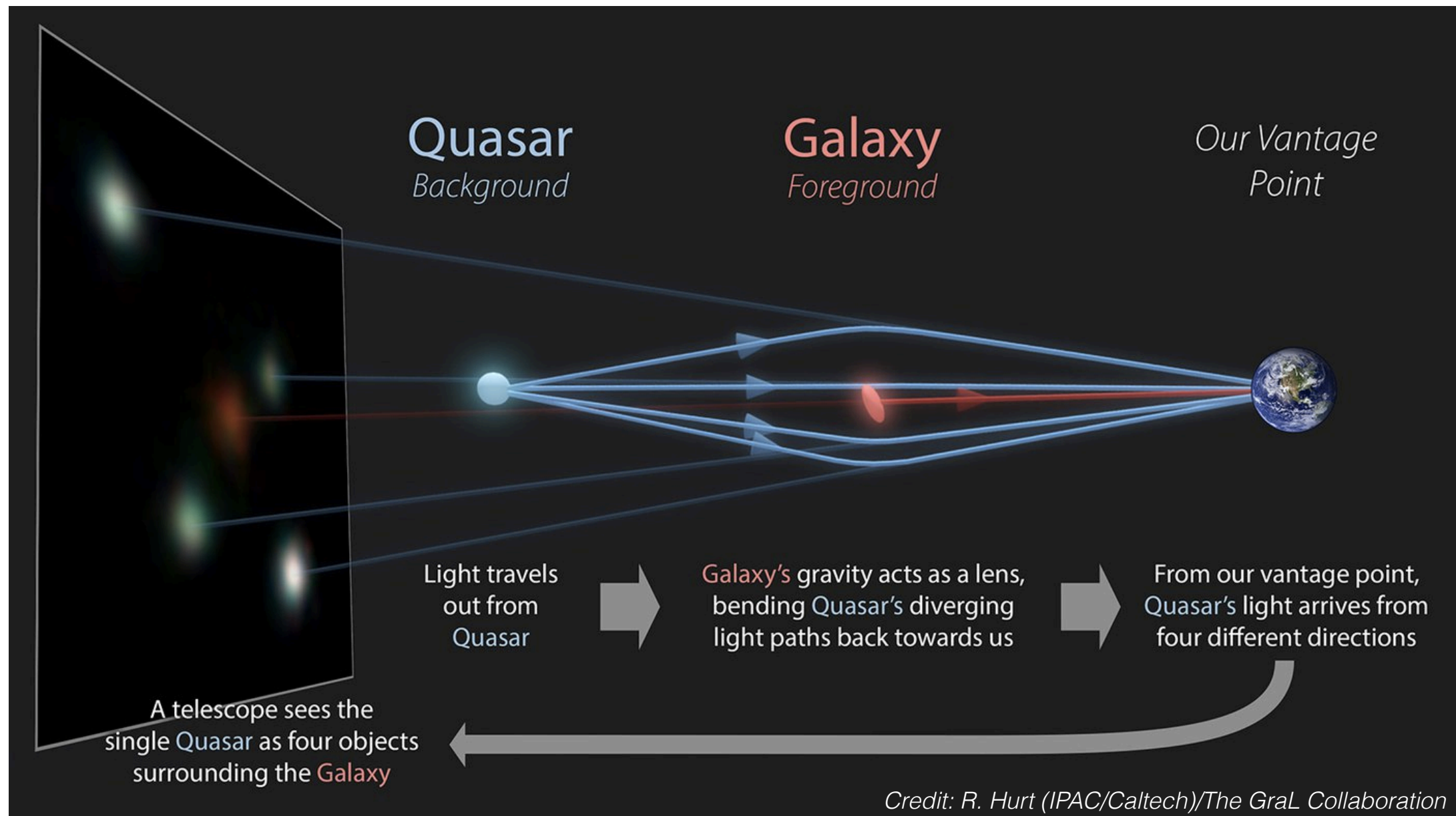
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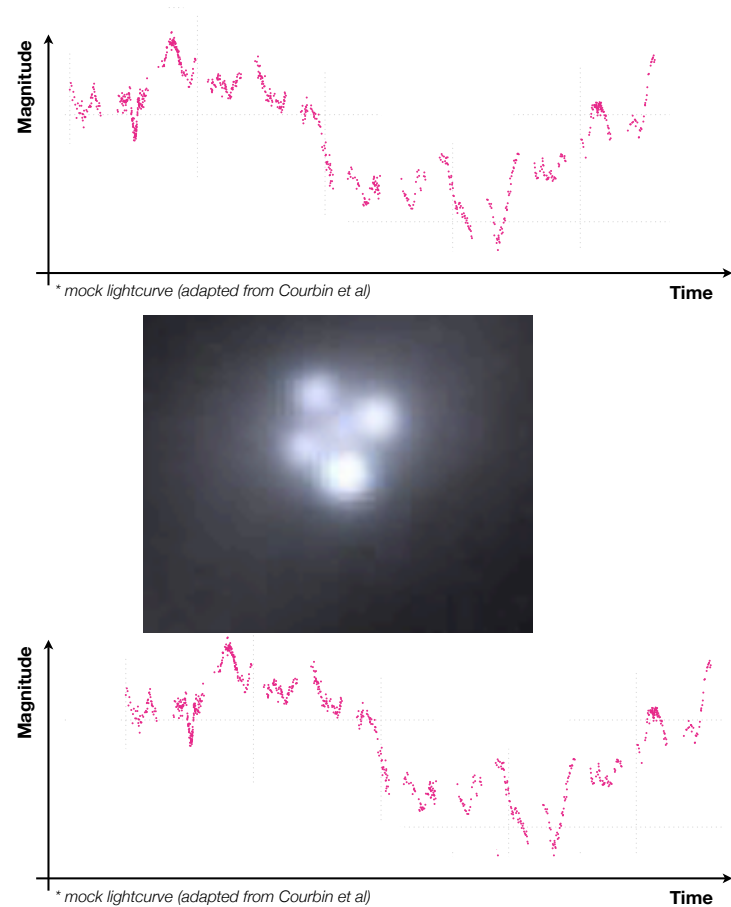
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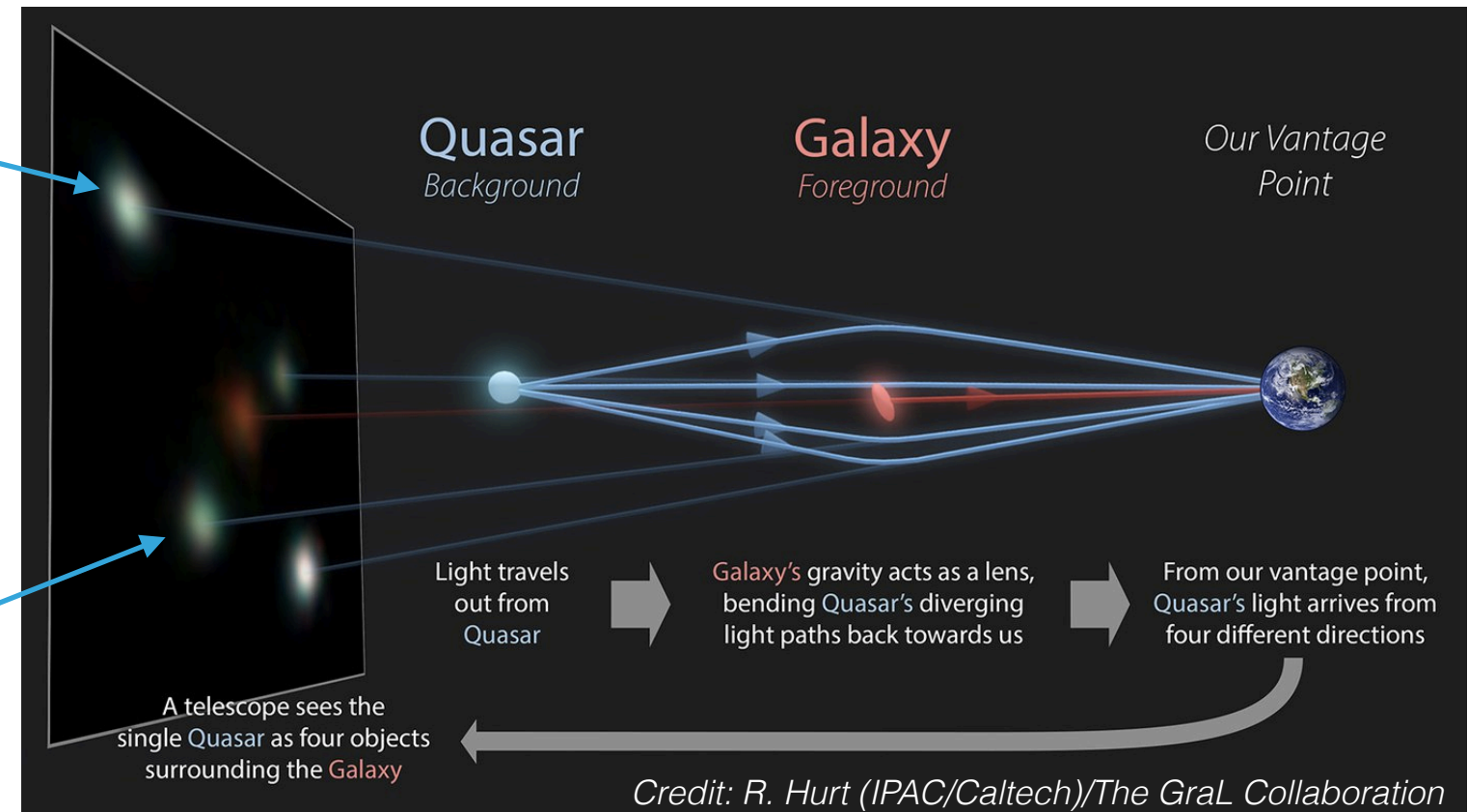


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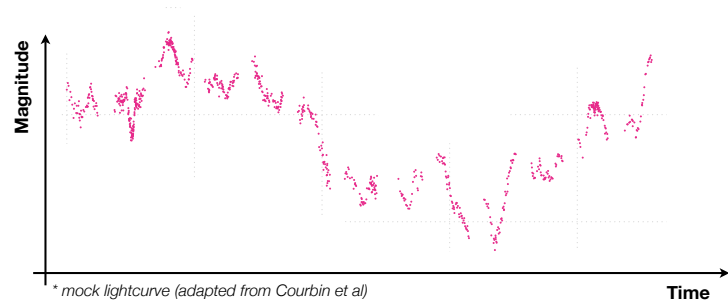
Photometric  
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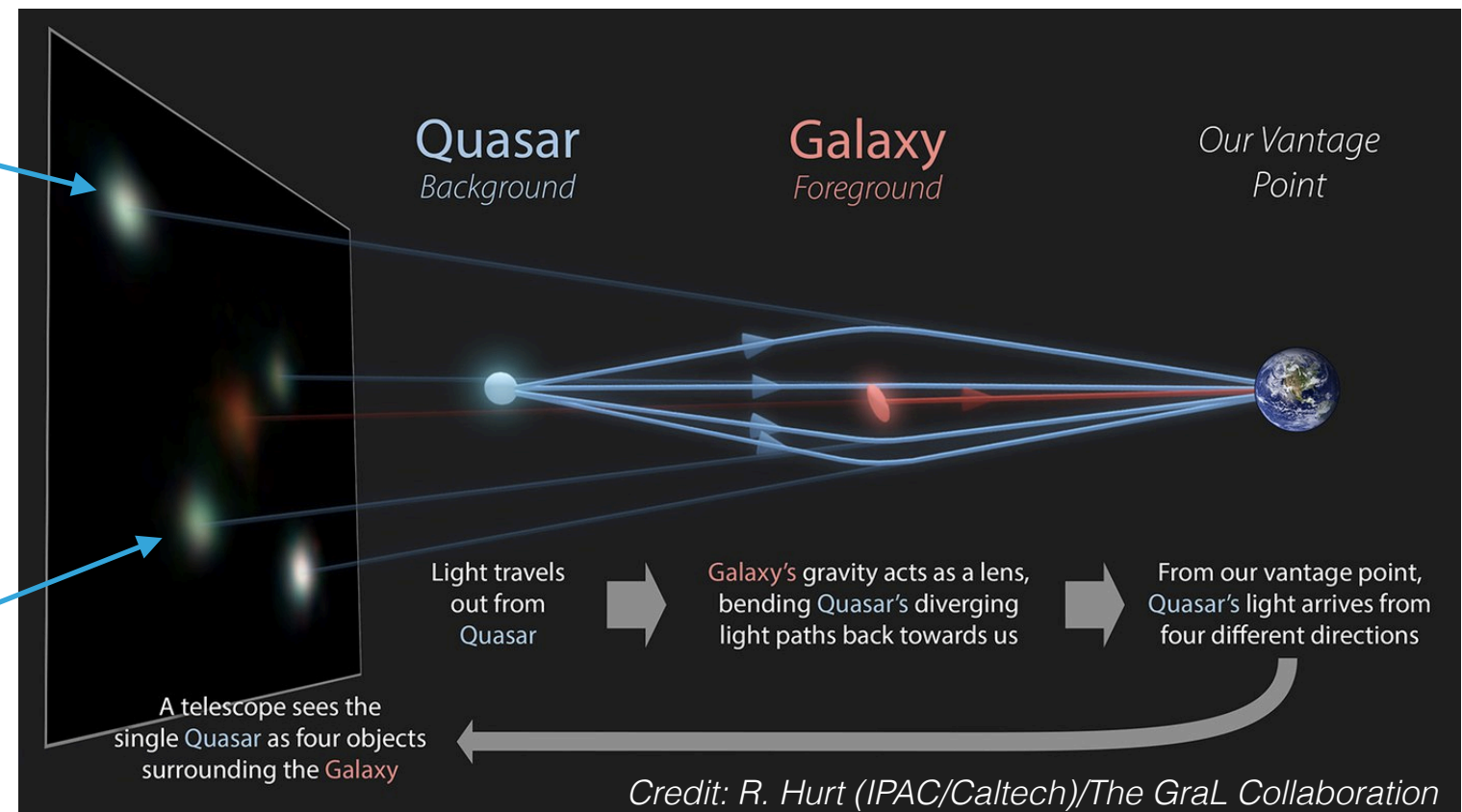
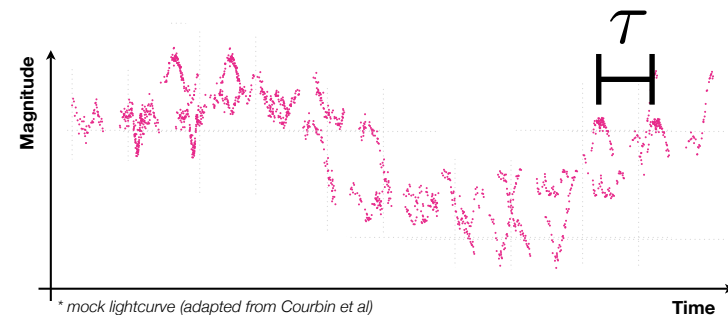
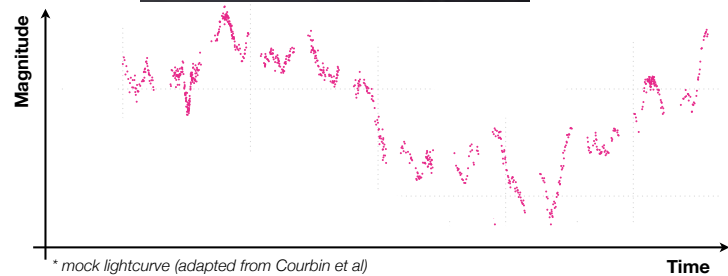


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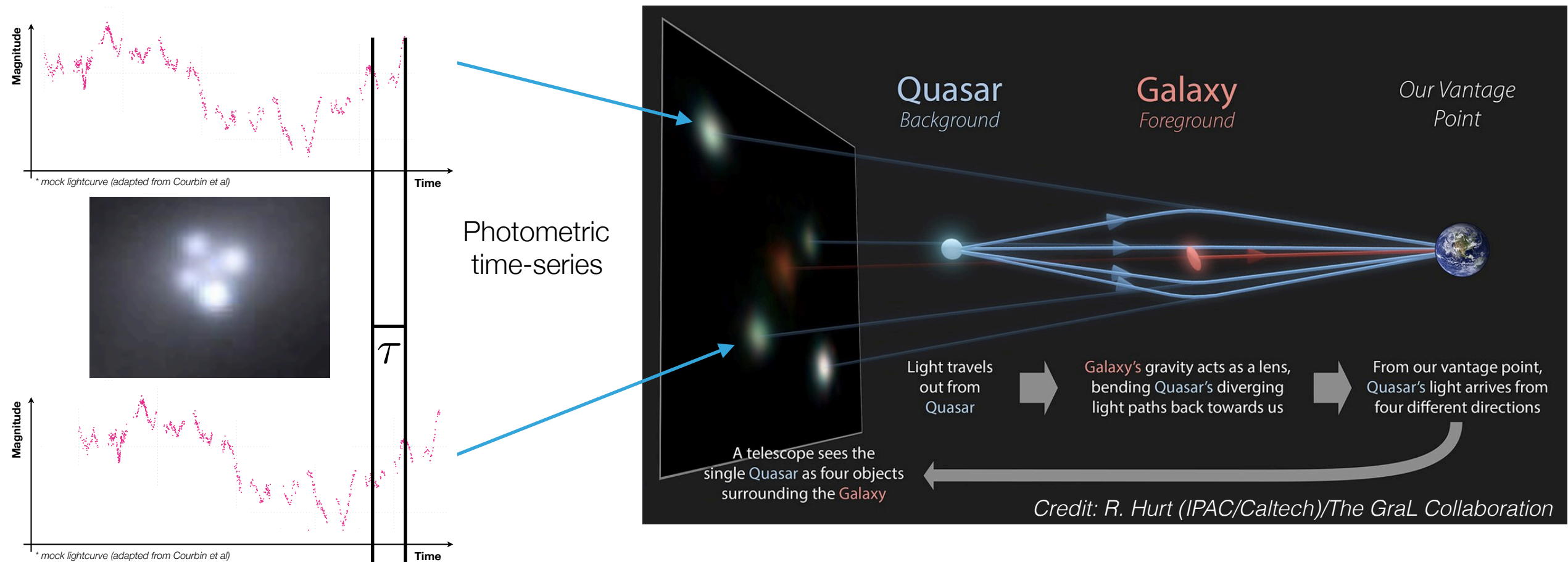


Photometric time-series



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**modelling: astrometry + photometry + spectroscopy**

**measurement:  
photometry  
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$$\tau = \frac{(1 + z_L)}{?} \frac{d_L d_S}{d_{LS}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} |\vec{\theta} - \vec{\beta}| - \psi_{2D}(\vec{\theta}) \right]$$



# MULTIPLY-IMAGED QSOS : H0

Lensed QSO variability is a key to H0 inference

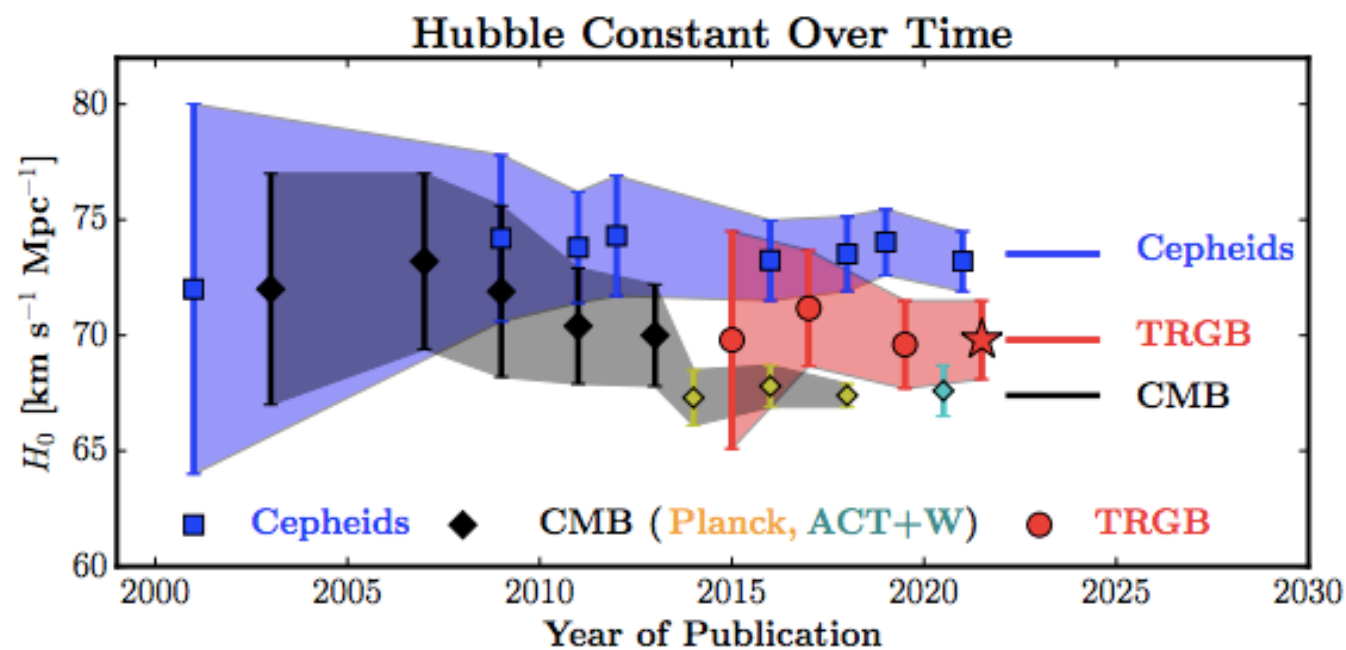
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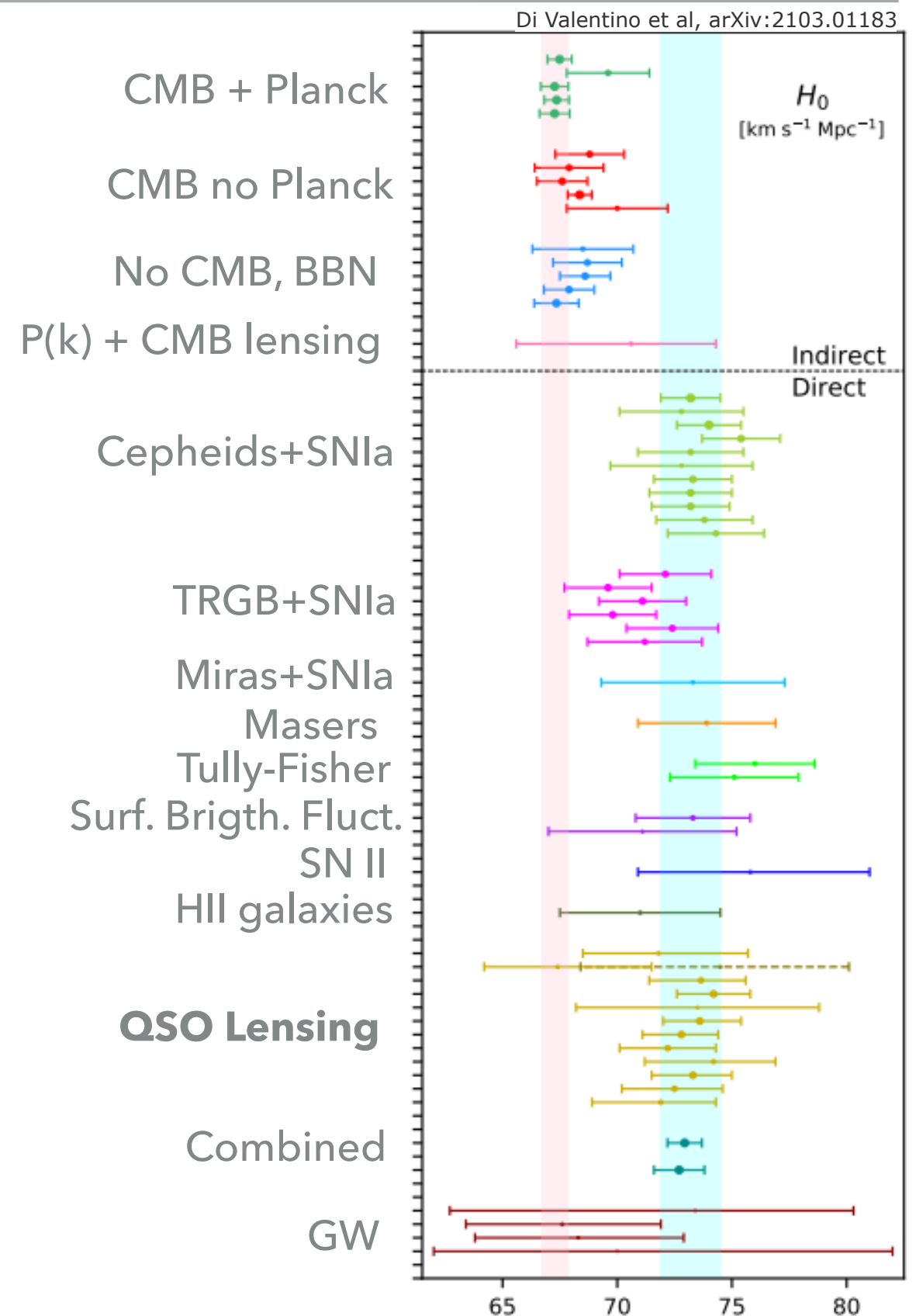
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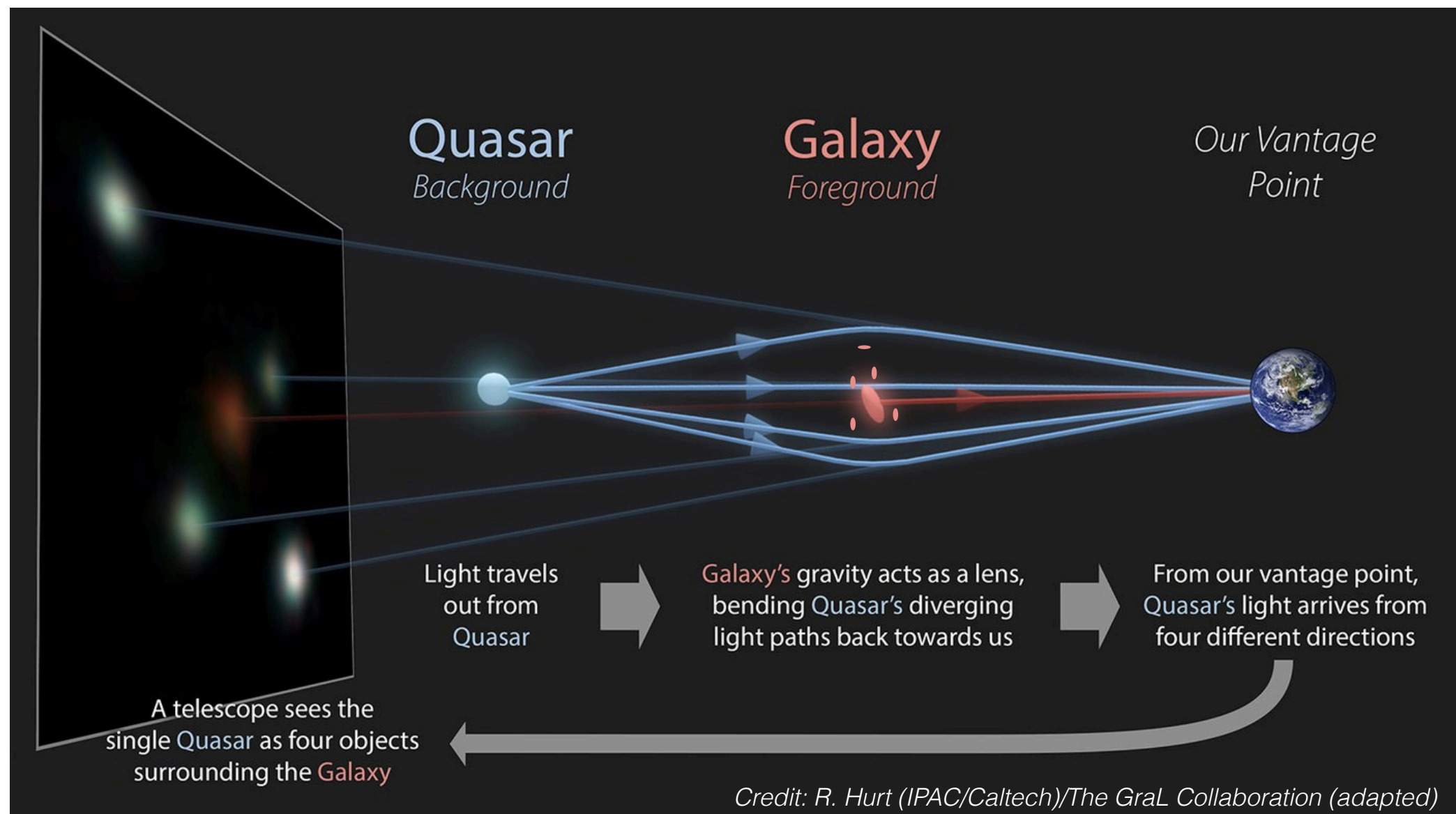
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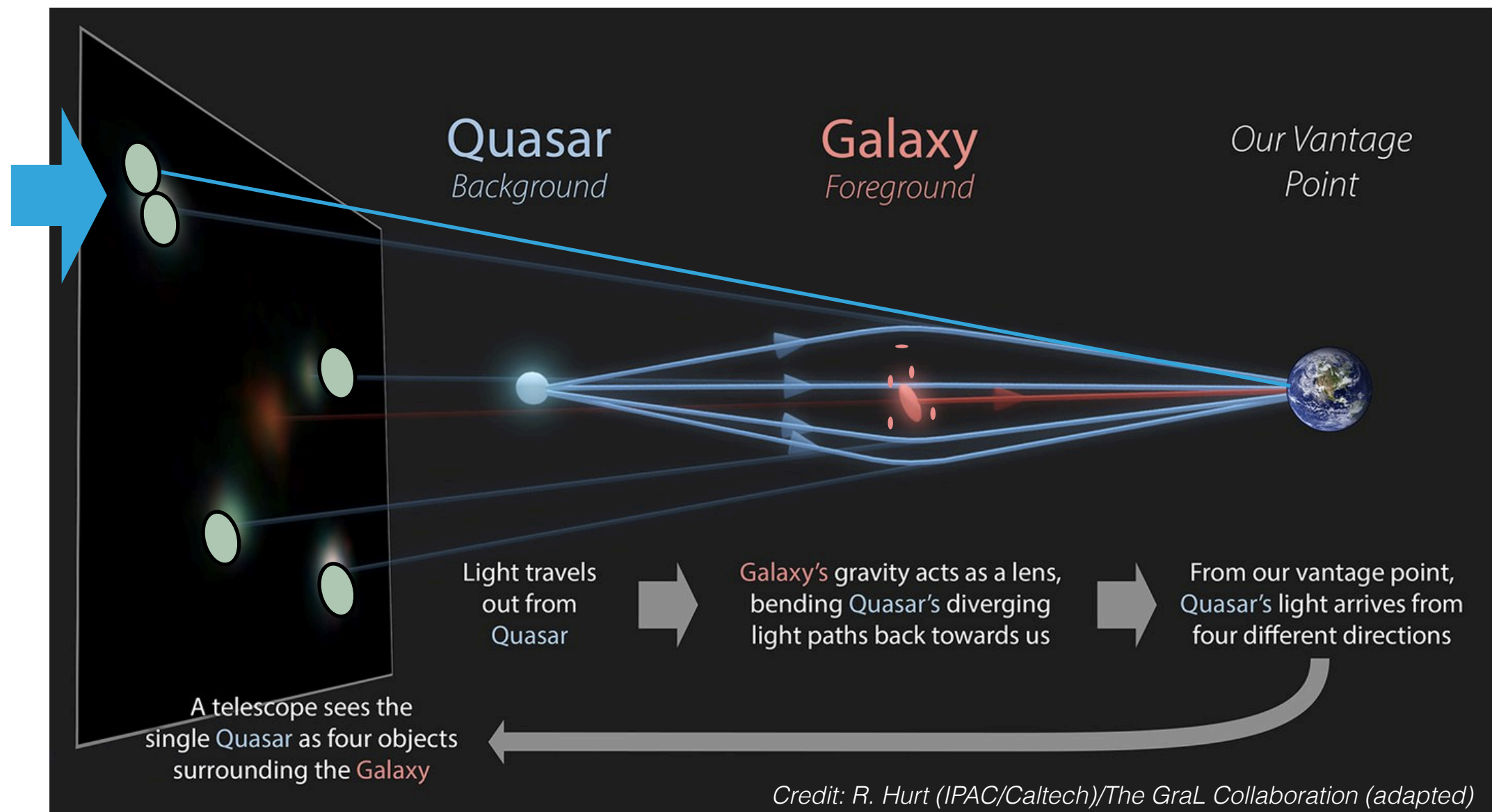
What would happen if you had more matter around the lensing galaxy?



# MULTIPLY-IMAGED QSOS : DARK MATTER

**Lensed QSOs are a probe of the dark matter clumpiness in the lens**

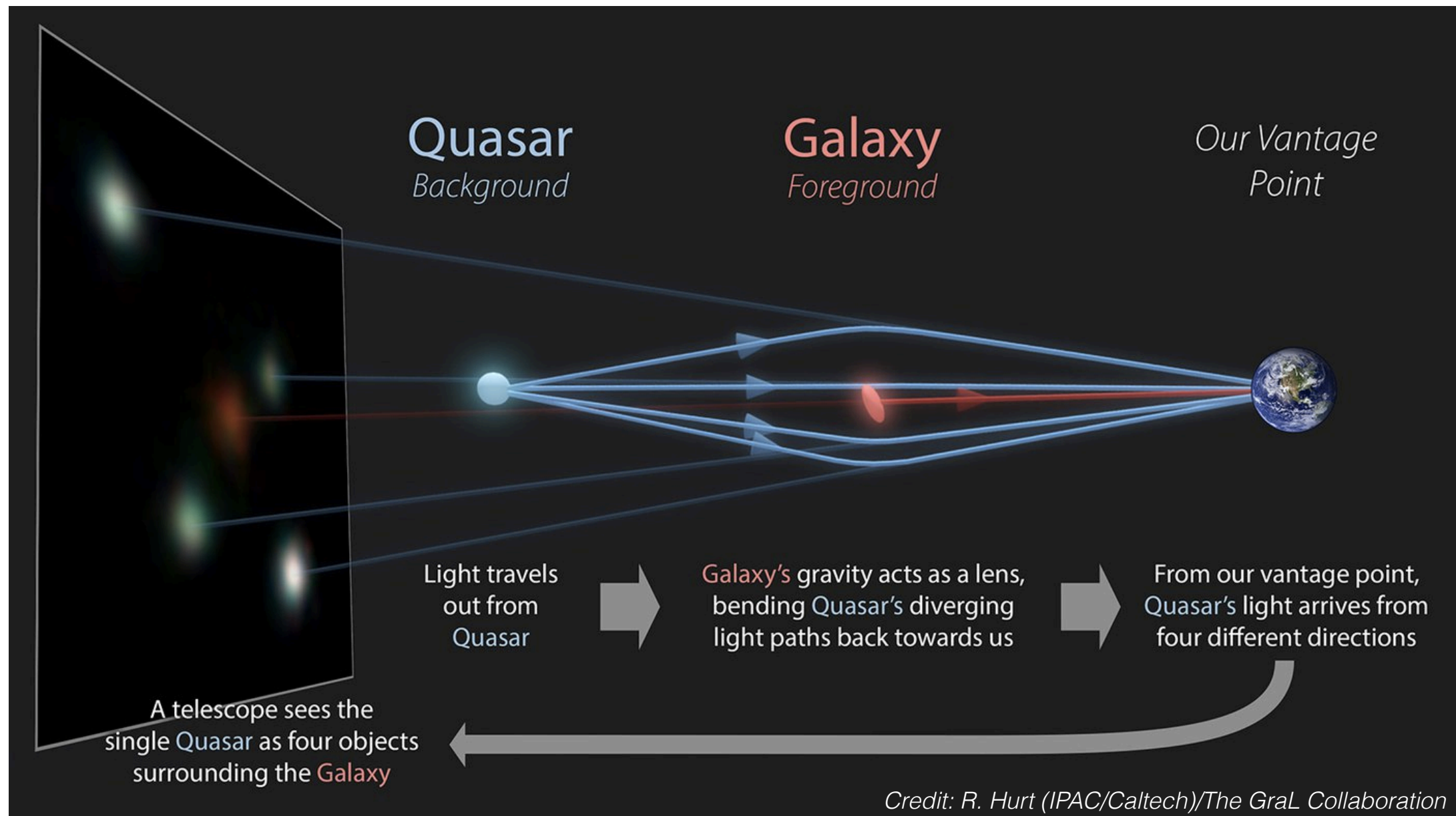
Astrometric +  
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deviation from  
smooth potential  
prediction  
due to DM  
substructure





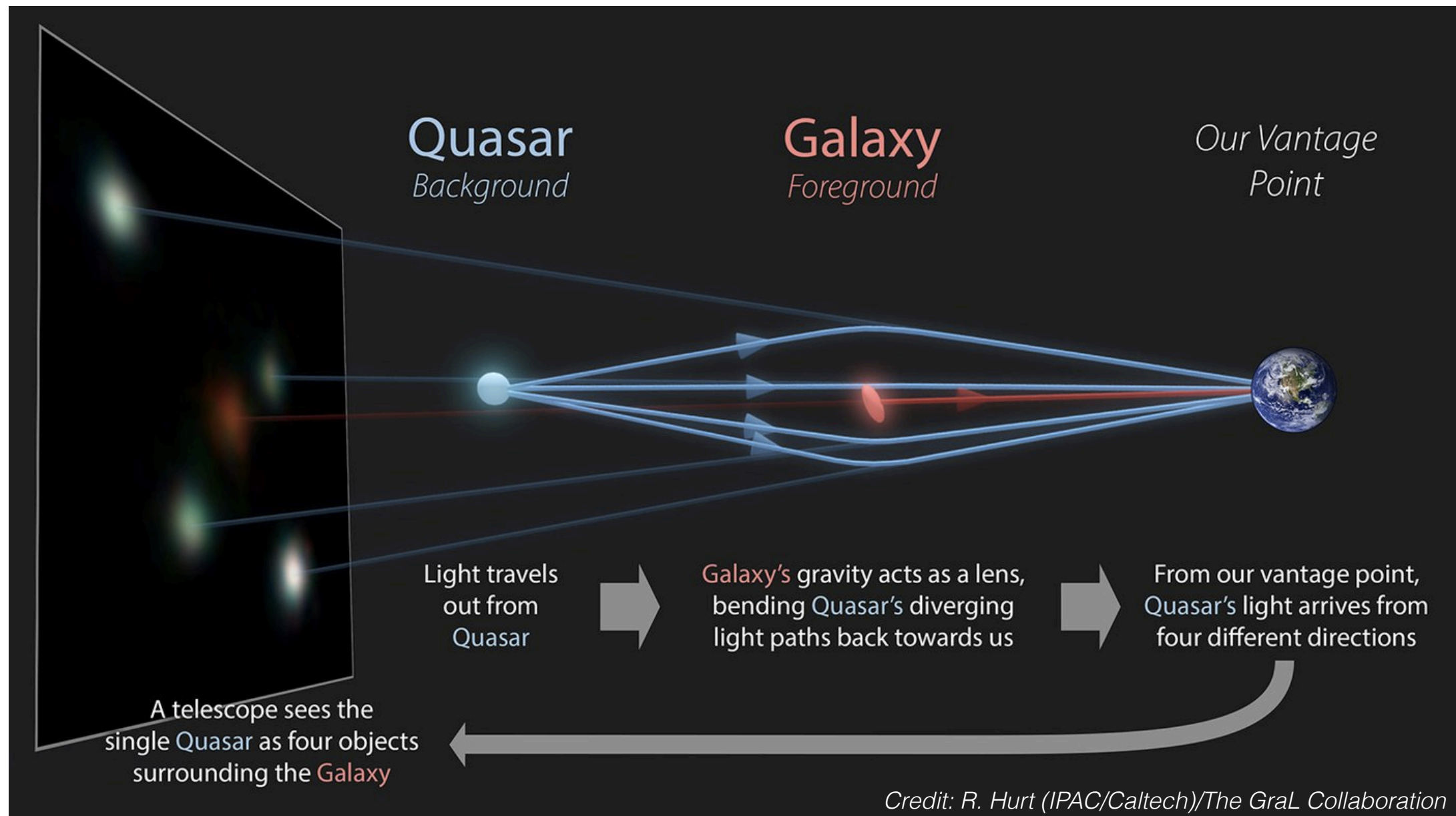
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Among the most interesting and useful (and rare) extragalactic phenomena:  
 **$\sim 2 \times 10^3$  among the  $\sim 2 \times 10^9$  Gaia sources**





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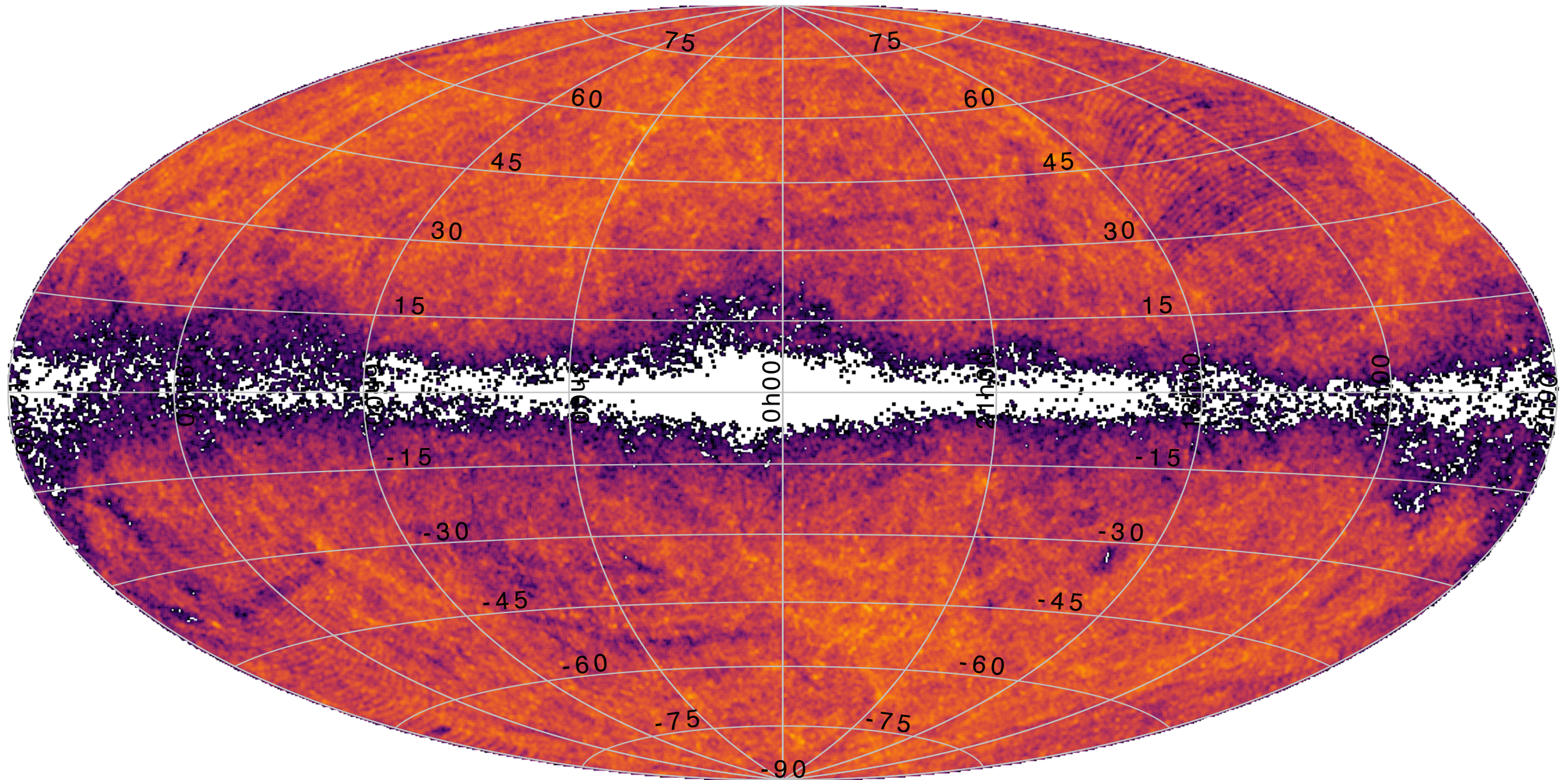
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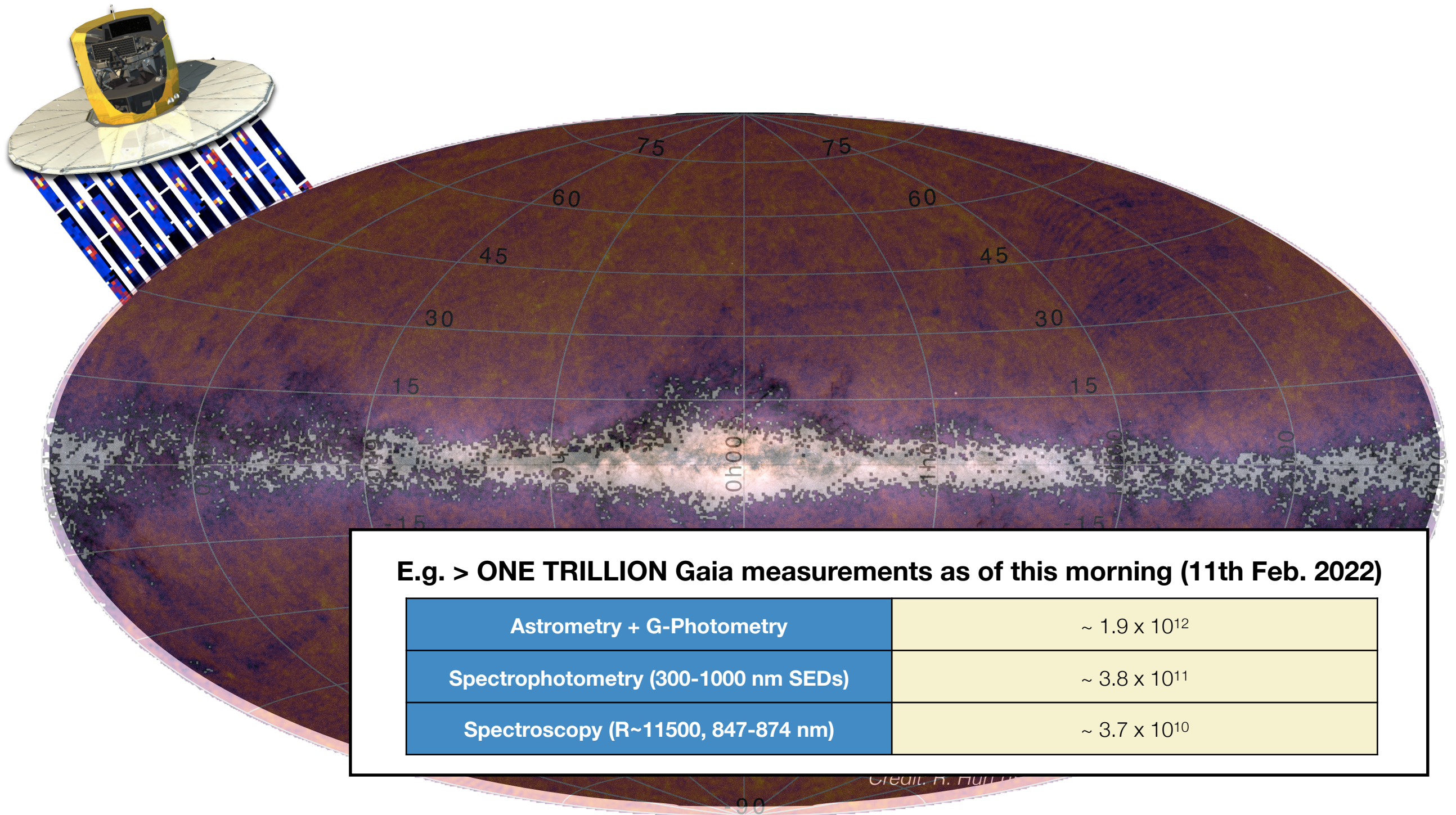
# GAIA WAS CREATED FOR STARS, BUT IT ALSO OBSERVES GALAXIES!



Sky density of 1.8 million Gaia input galaxies selected by a fully unsupervised method (iterative HDBSCAN+SVM+Hausdorf metric over GaiaDR1+DR2+PS1DR2+AllWISE)



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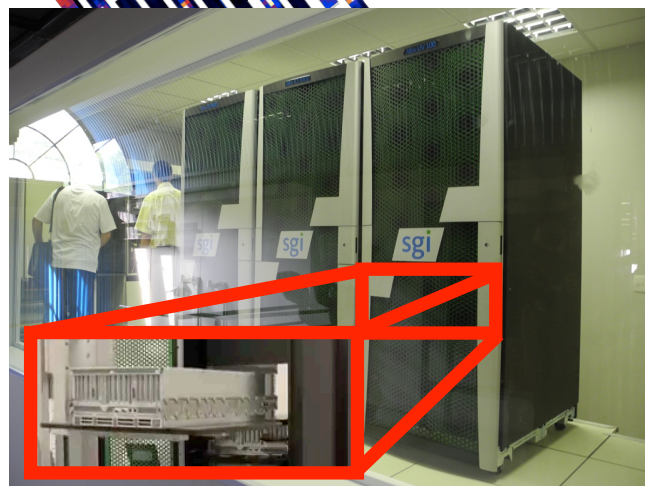
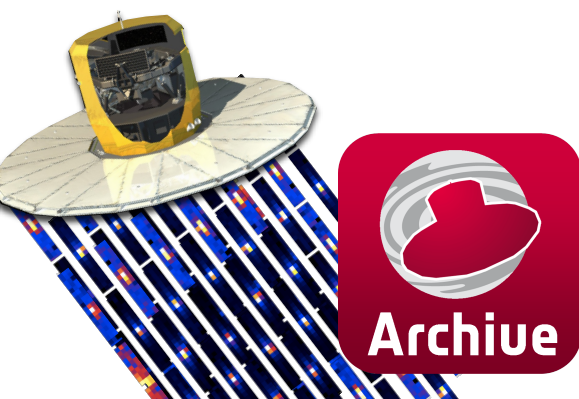


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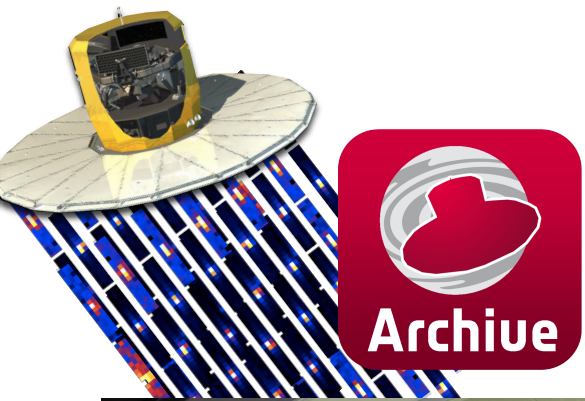




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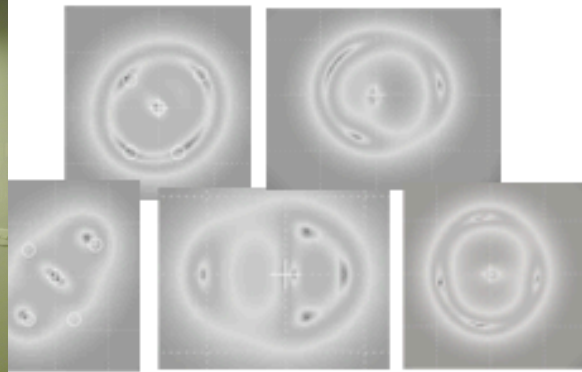
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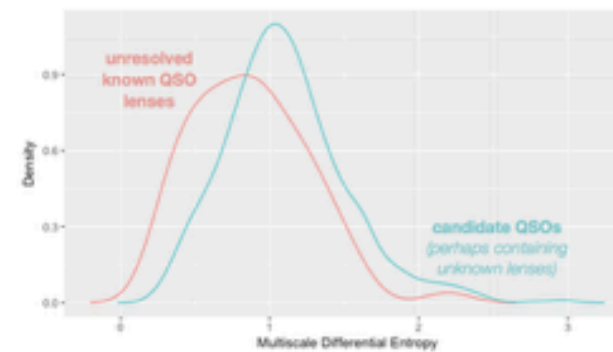
C

**Astrometric + photometric  
patterns + ERTs**



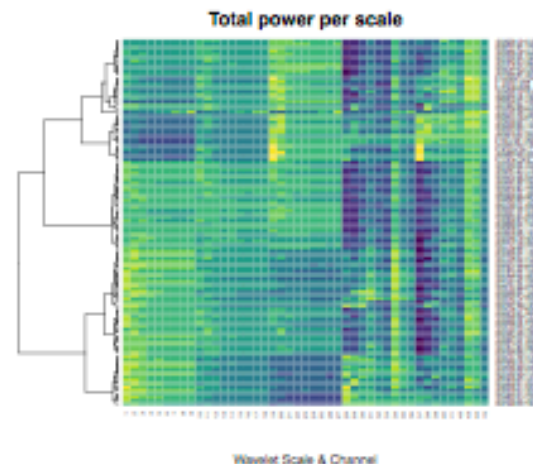
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**Astrometry +  
lower lightcurve entropy  
+ SVM**



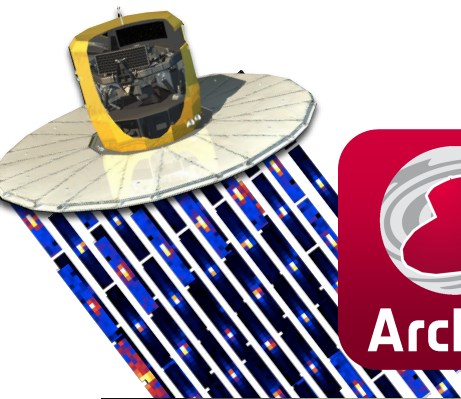
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**Image wavelet  
power spectrum  
signatures +  
hierarchical  
clustering  
  
+Astrometry**





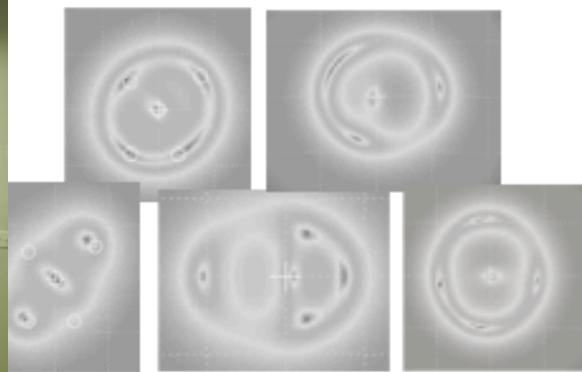
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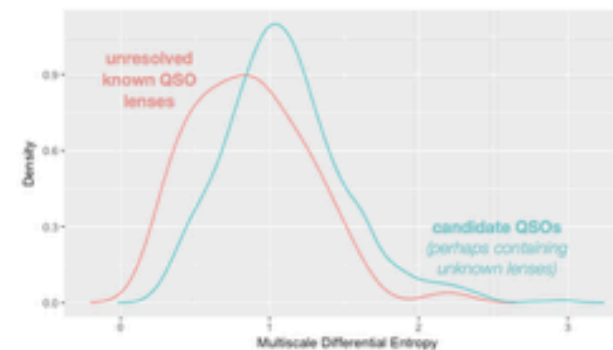
~1.8 BILLION INITIAL SOURCES

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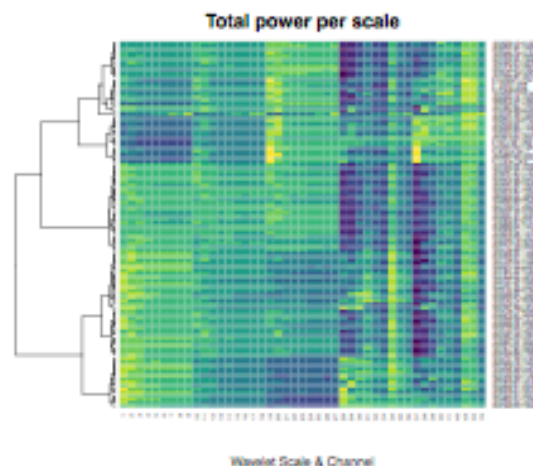
~20 MILLION INITIAL SOURCES

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~2 MILLION INITIAL SOURCES

**Image wavelet  
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+Astrometry**

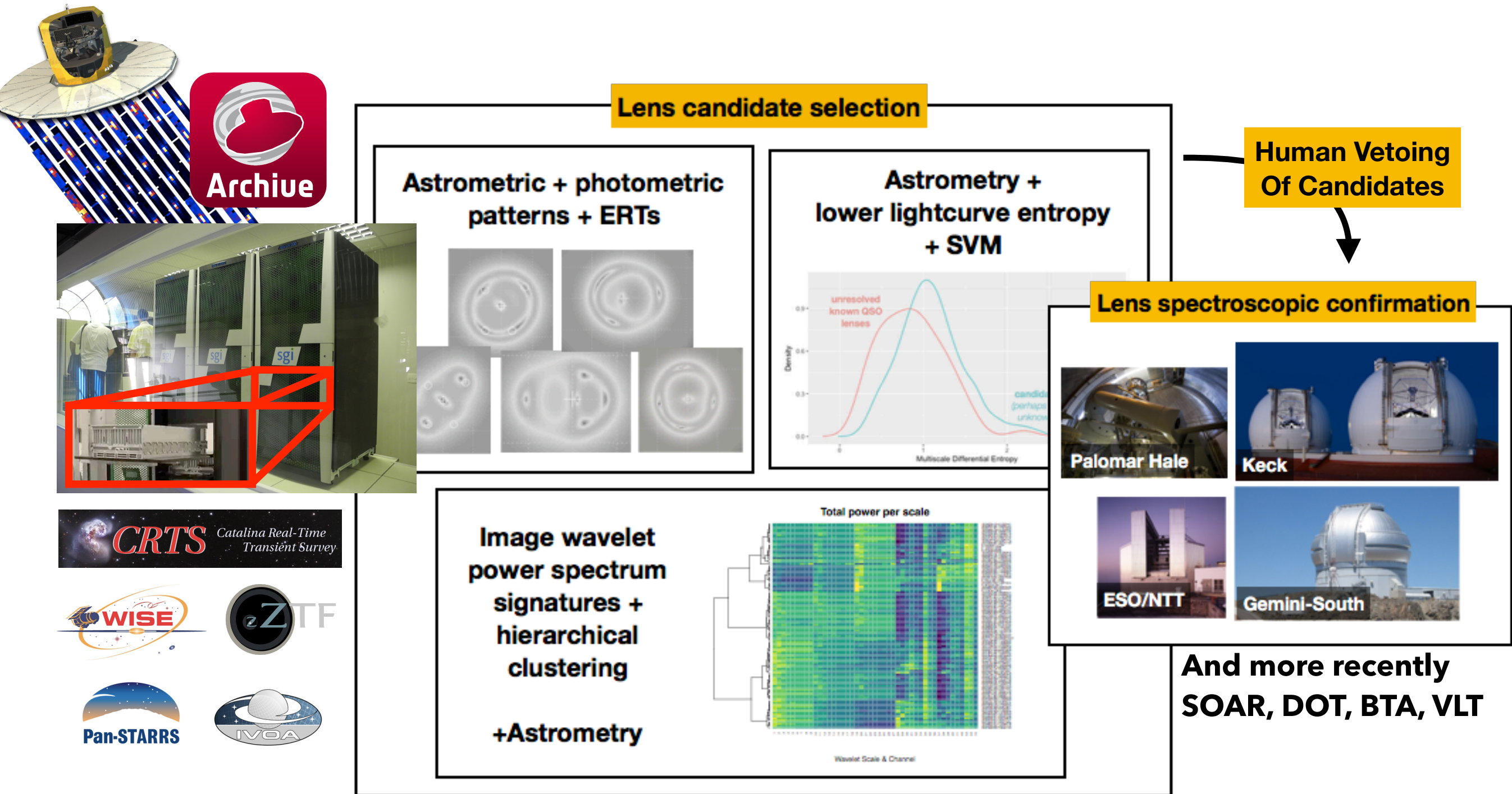


~1 THOUSAND CANDIDATES

**Human Vetoing  
Of Candidates**

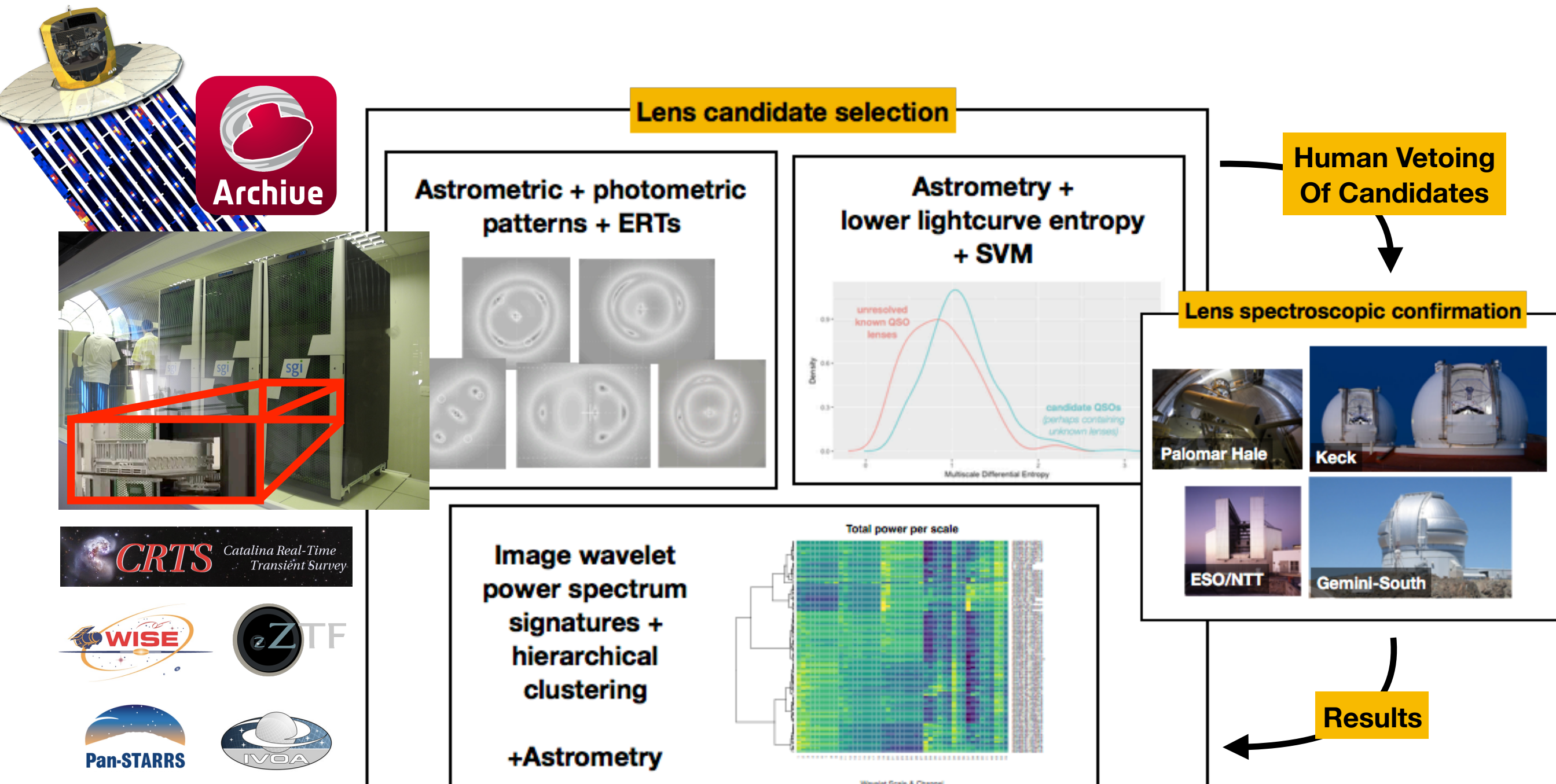
~100 CANDIDATES

# SEARCHING FOR GRAVITATIONAL LENSES





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**A continuous learning loop, with continuously evolving training sets AND methods**  
**AI as *Augmented* Intelligence, not as *Artificial* Intelligence**



# THREE MAJOR METHODOLOGICAL FAMILIES

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Astrometry +  
lower light

Astrometry + Photometry  
time-series  
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Total power per scale

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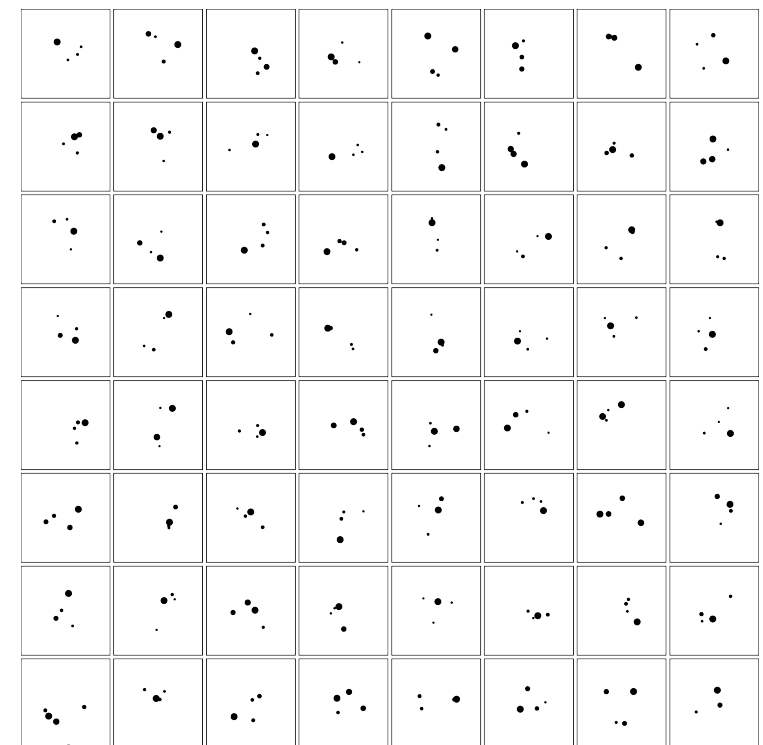
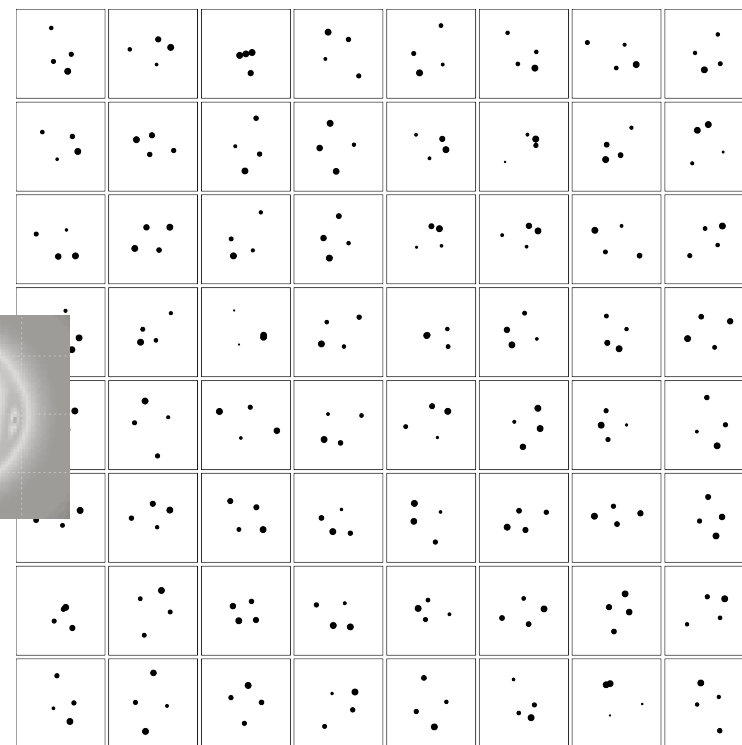
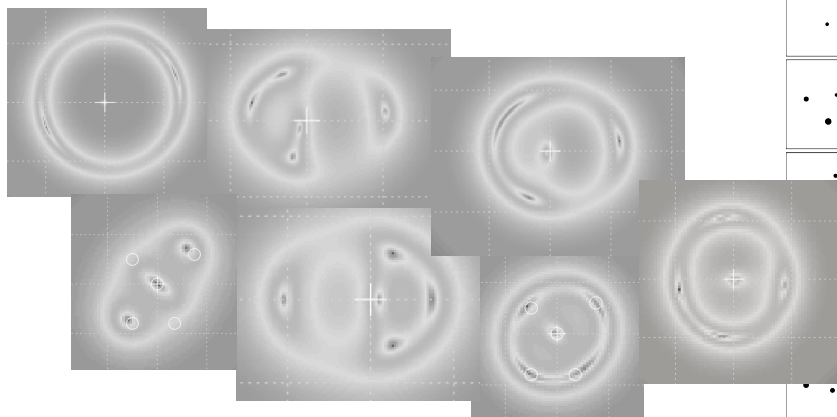
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# SEARCHING FOR GRAVITATIONAL LENSES: ERTS

## The learning set of observations

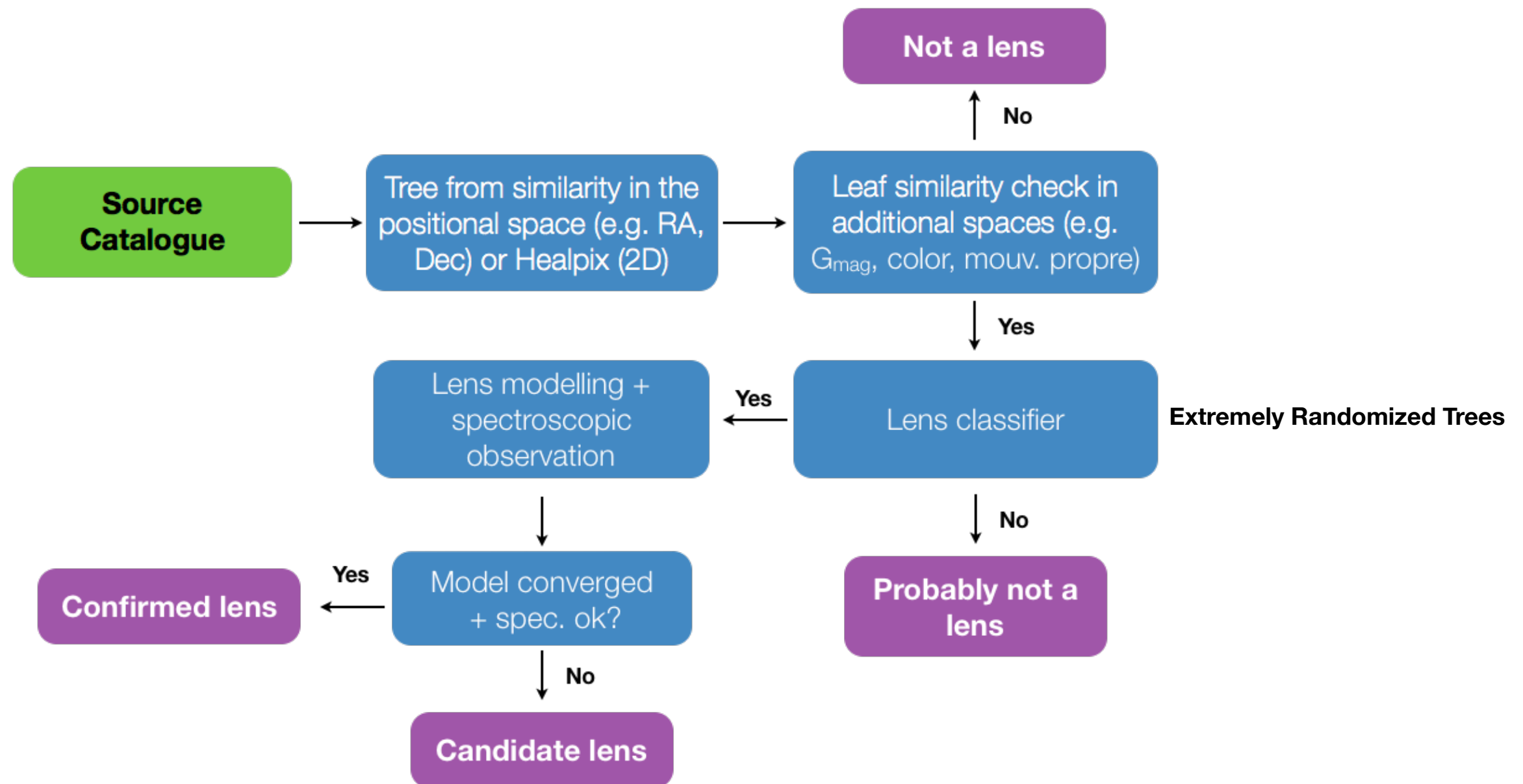
- $10^8$  simulated GLs composed of four components (ABCD)
- + all combinations of three components (ABC, ABD, ACD, BCD)
- $10^8$  configurations of random fluxes/positions



**PRODUCE  $> 10^6$  MILLION "GAIA SIMULATIONS"**

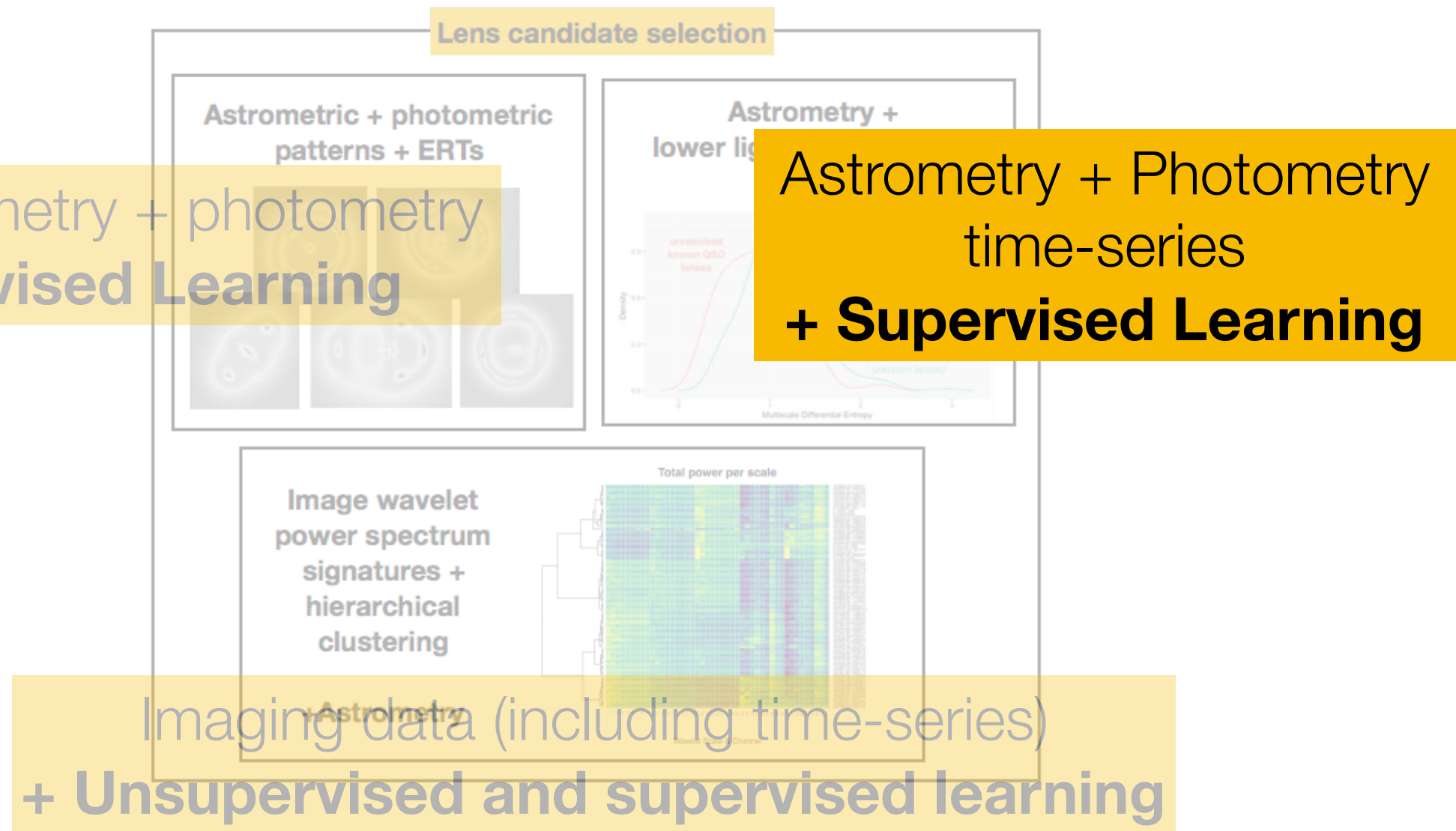
**INCLUDING GAIA DR2/EDR3 ERROR DISTRIBUTIONS (TRAIN WITH A BIASED SET!)**

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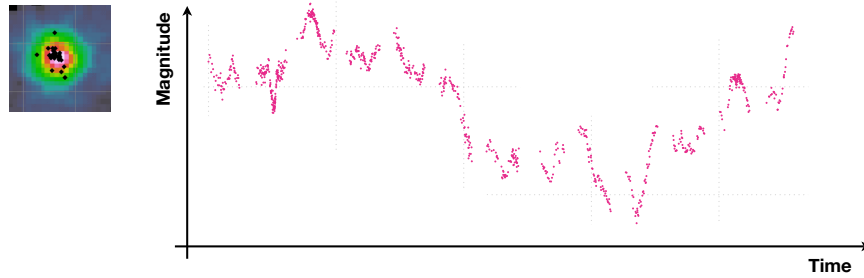


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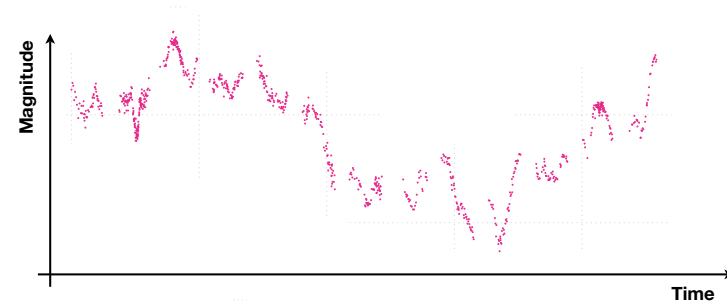
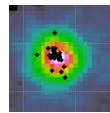
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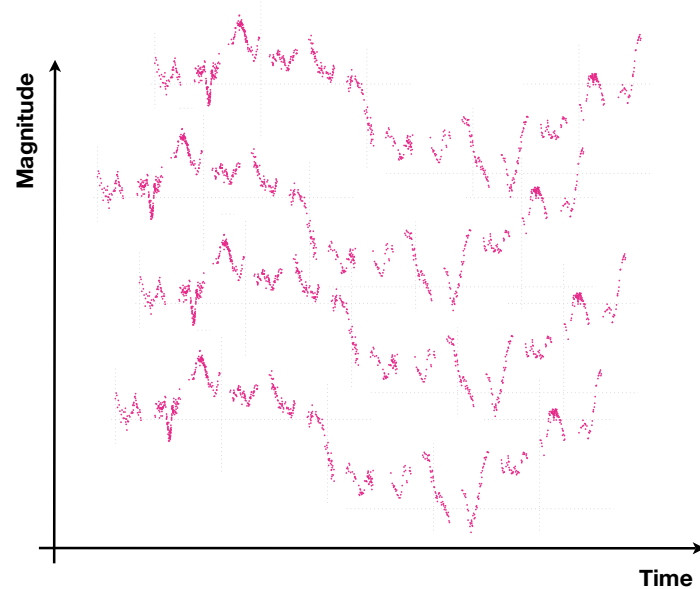
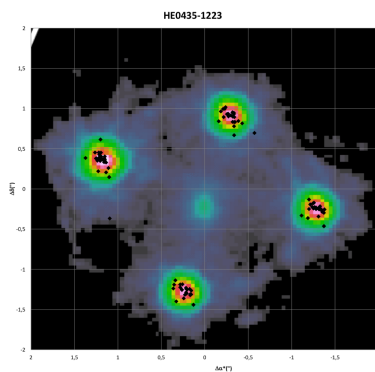


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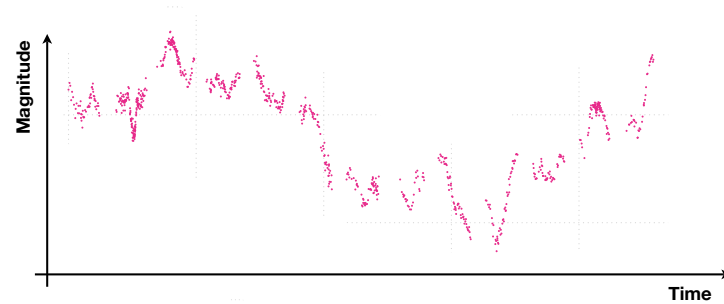
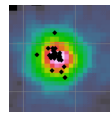


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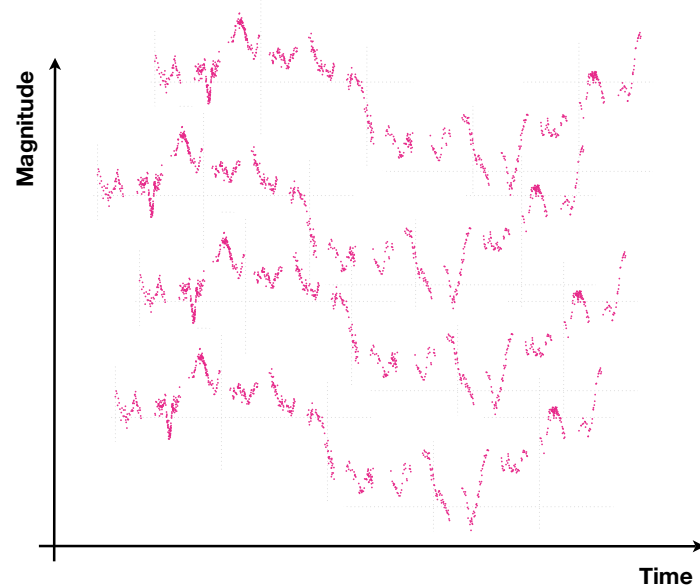
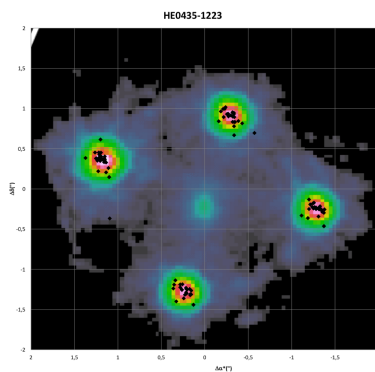


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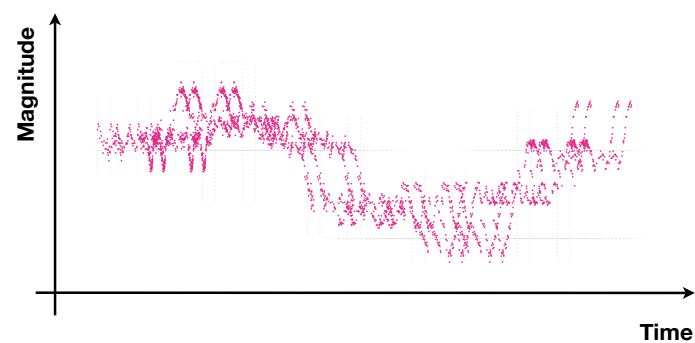
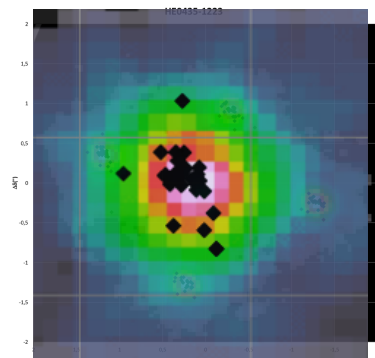
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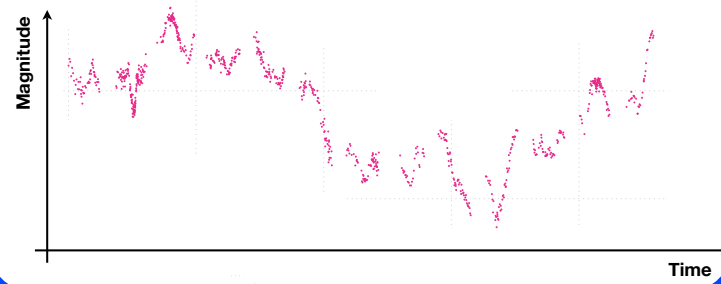
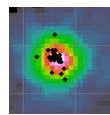
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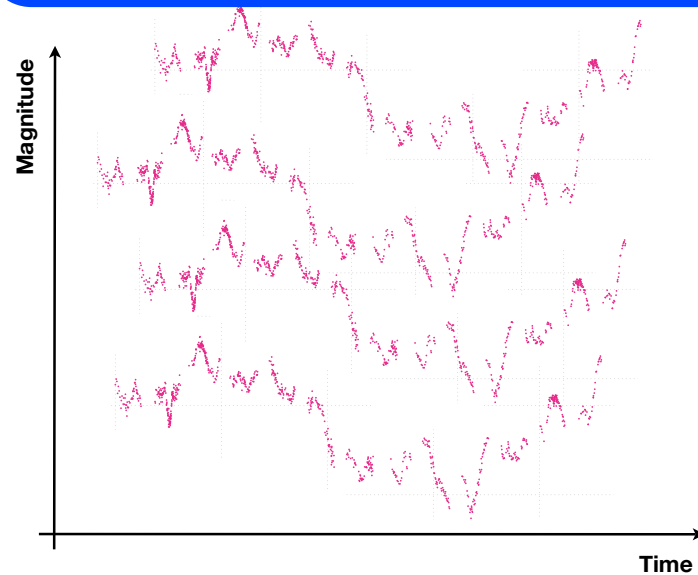
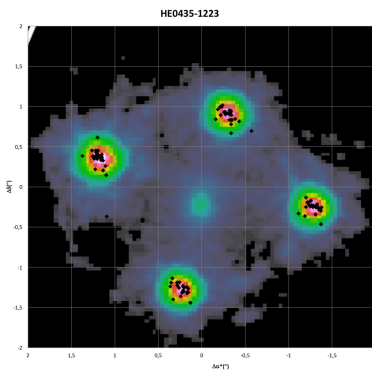


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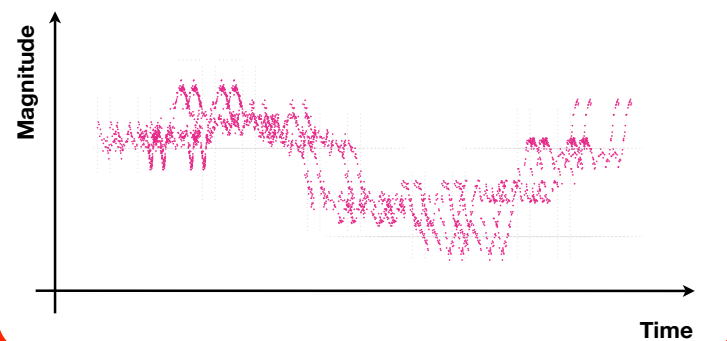
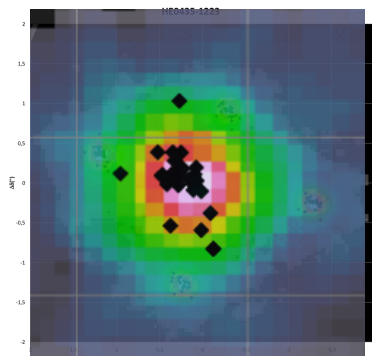
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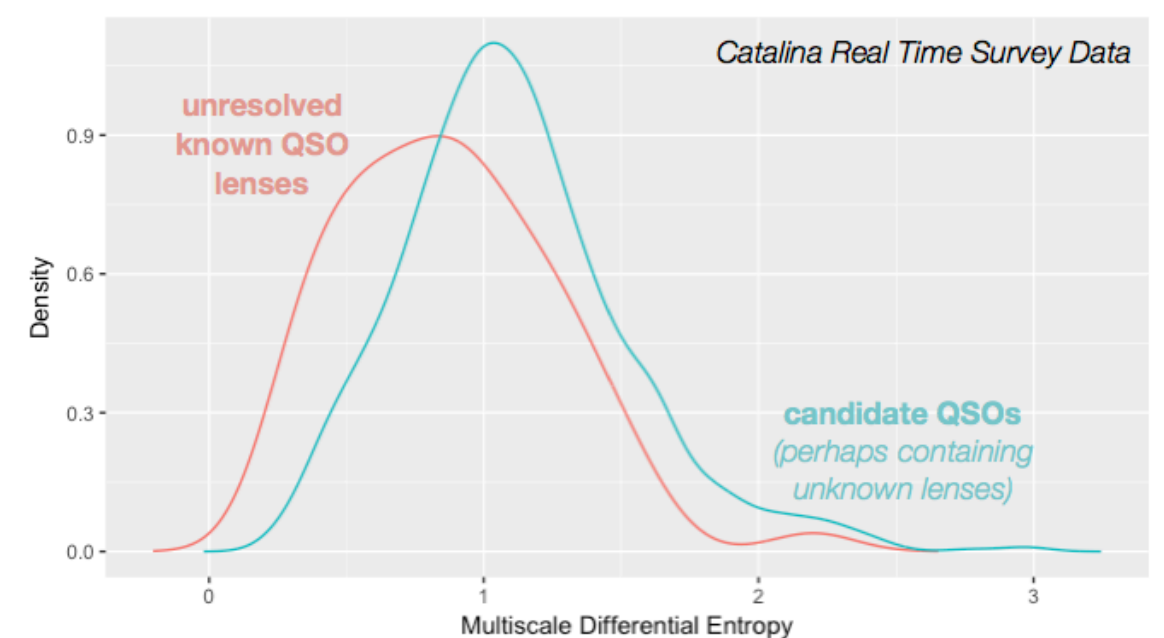


lensed and unresolved QSO



## Principle

The **stochasticity** of non-lensed QSOs should be **higher** than the **stochasticity** of lensed, **but unresolved**, QSOs.



## DETECTION FROM TIME SERIES

DATA

ZTF PHOTOMETRIC TIMESERIES

ZTF ASTROMETRIC TIMESERIES

FEATURE  
EXTRACTION

ENTROPY

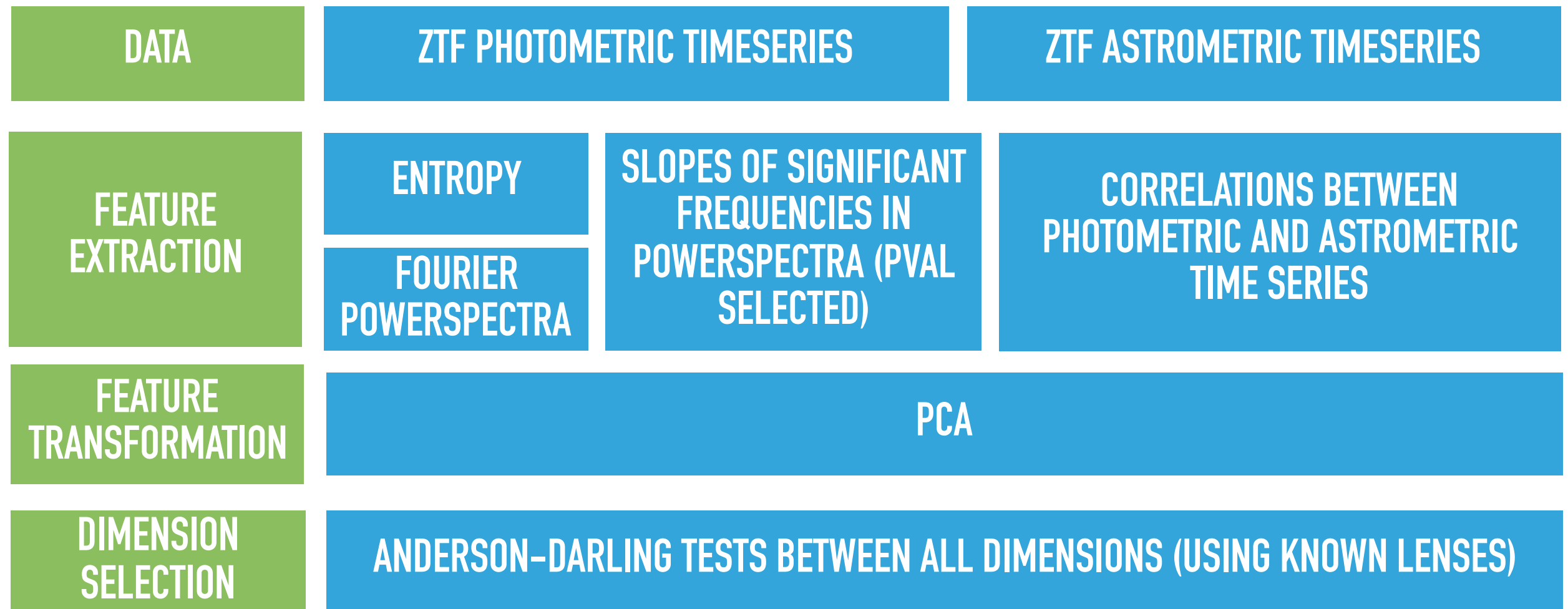
FOURIER  
POWERSPECTRA

SLOPES OF SIGNIFICANT  
FREQUENCIES IN  
POWERSPECTRA (PVAL  
SELECTED)

CORRELATIONS BETWEEN  
PHOTOMETRIC AND ASTROMETRIC  
TIME SERIES

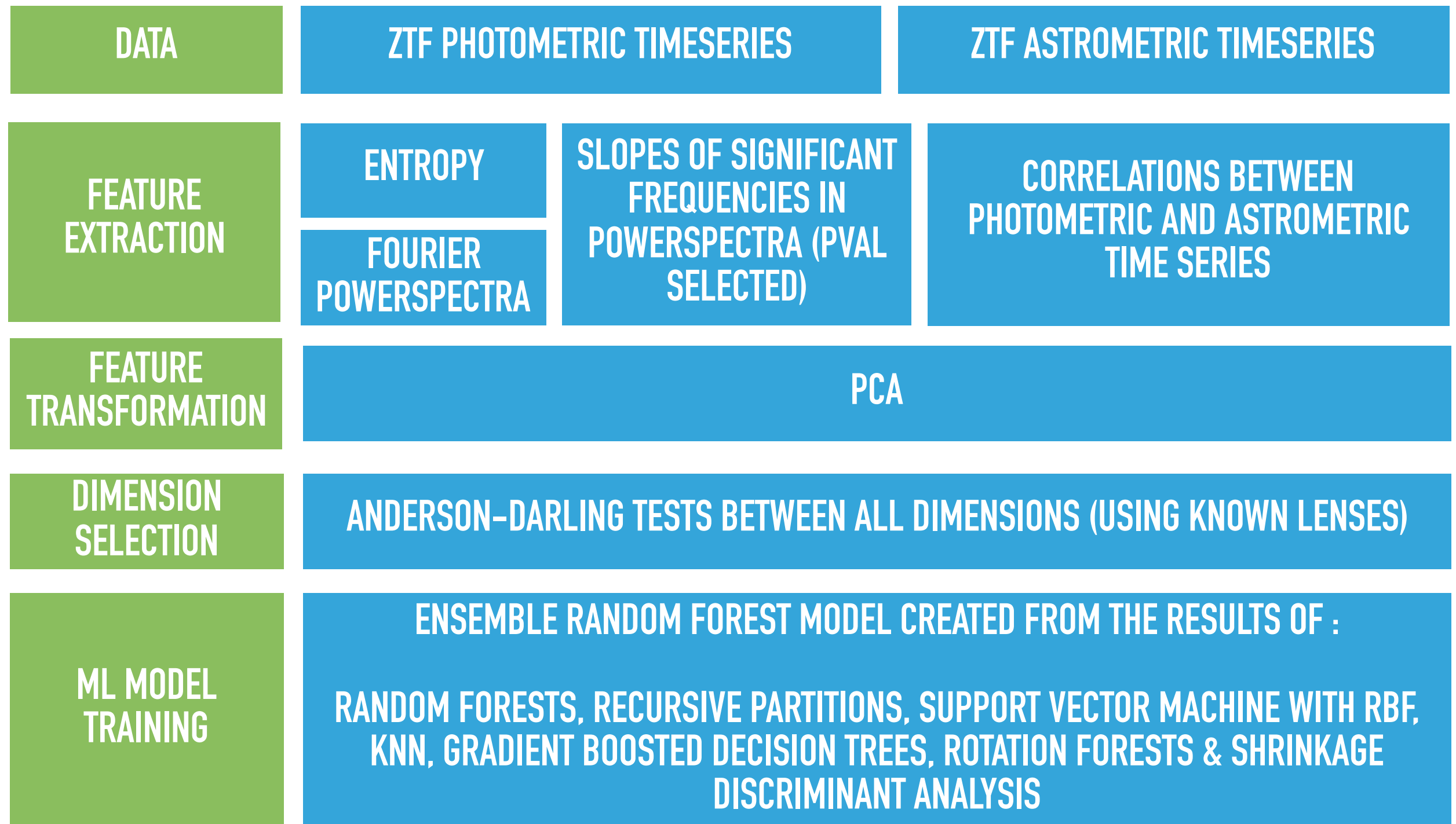


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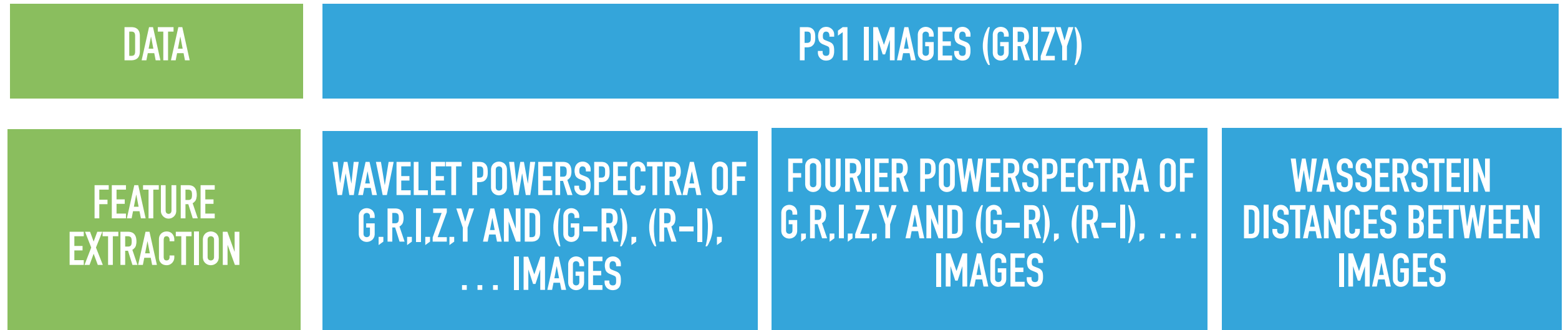
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**PS1 IMAGES (GRIZY)**

**FEATURE  
EXTRACTION**

**WAVELET POWERSPECTRA OF  
G,R,I,Z,Y AND (G-R), (R-I),  
... IMAGES**

**FOURIER POWERSPECTRA OF  
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**WASSERSTEIN  
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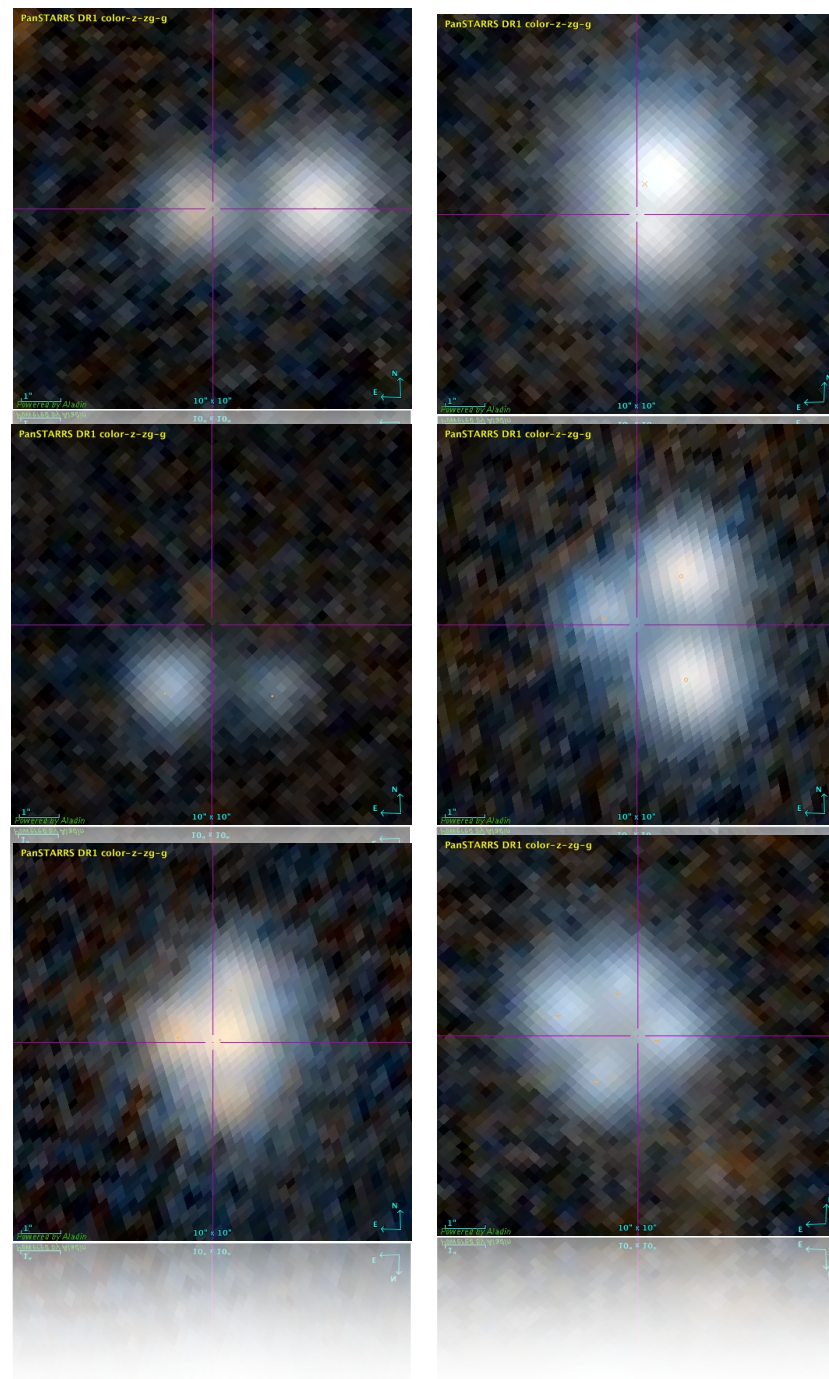
**DIMENSION  
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**ANDERSON-DARLING TESTS BETWEEN ALL  
DIMENSIONS (USING KNOWN LENSES)**

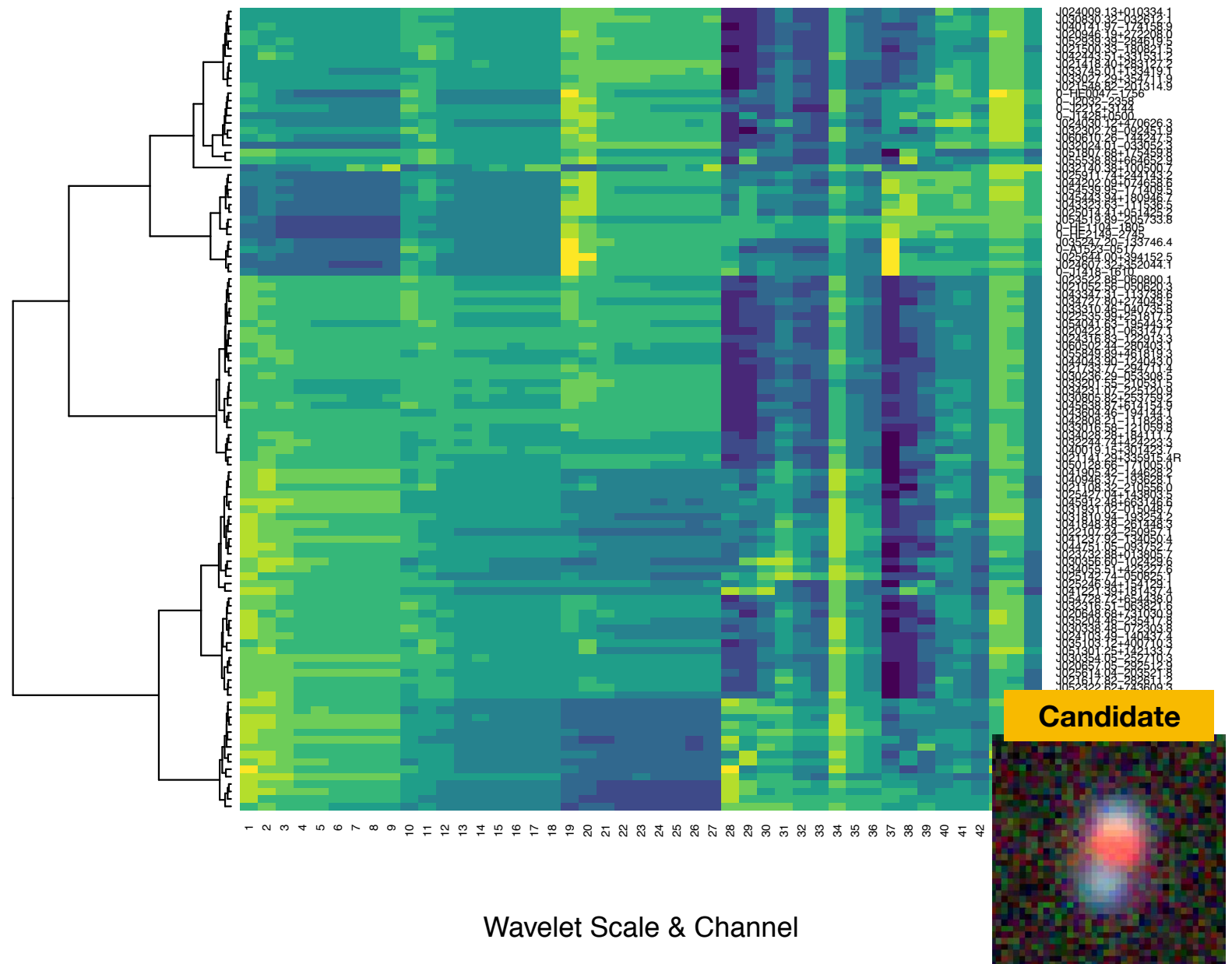
**ML MODEL  
TRAINING**

**SIMPLE HIERARCHICAL CLUSTERING  
MODEL (WAVELETS ONLY)**

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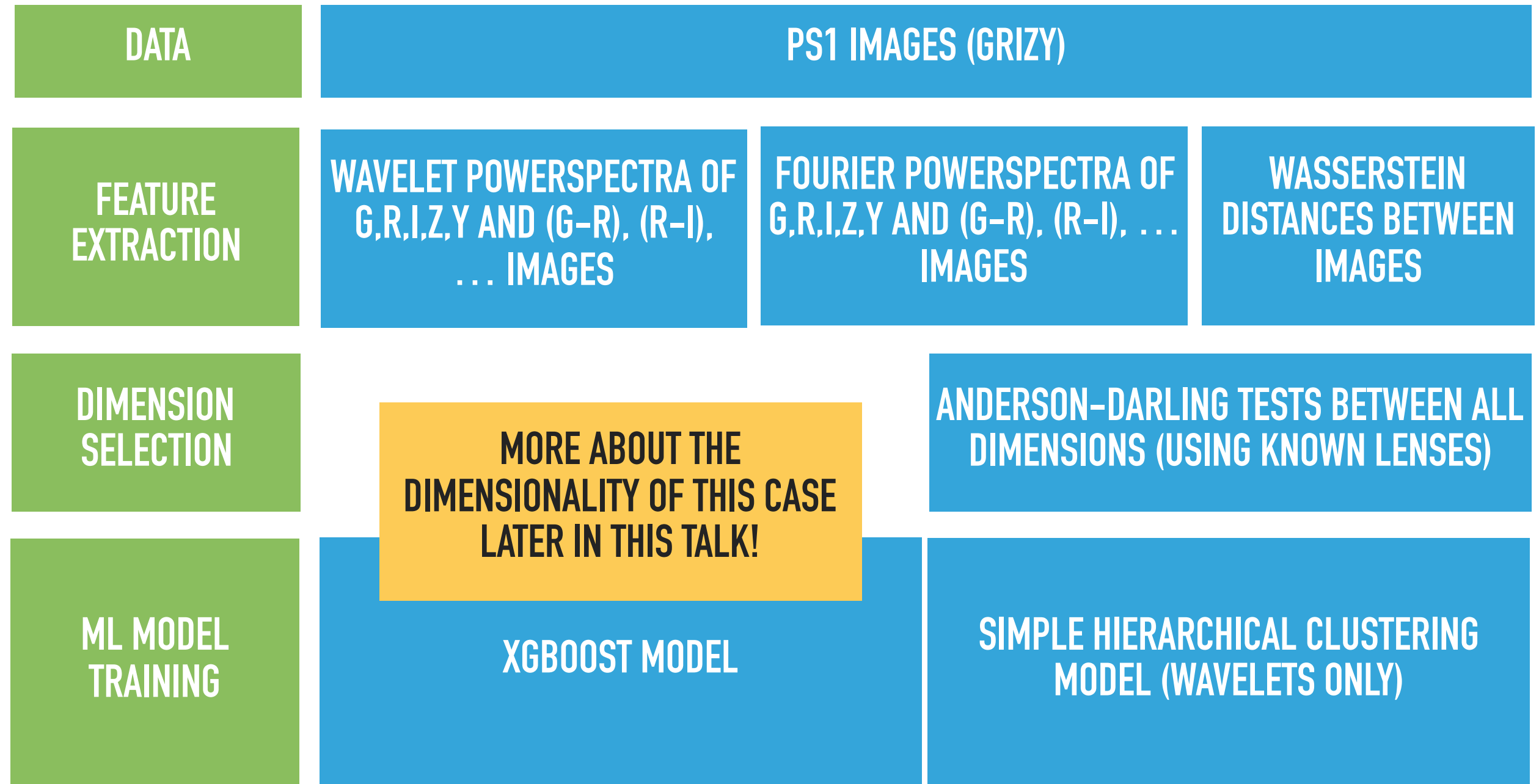


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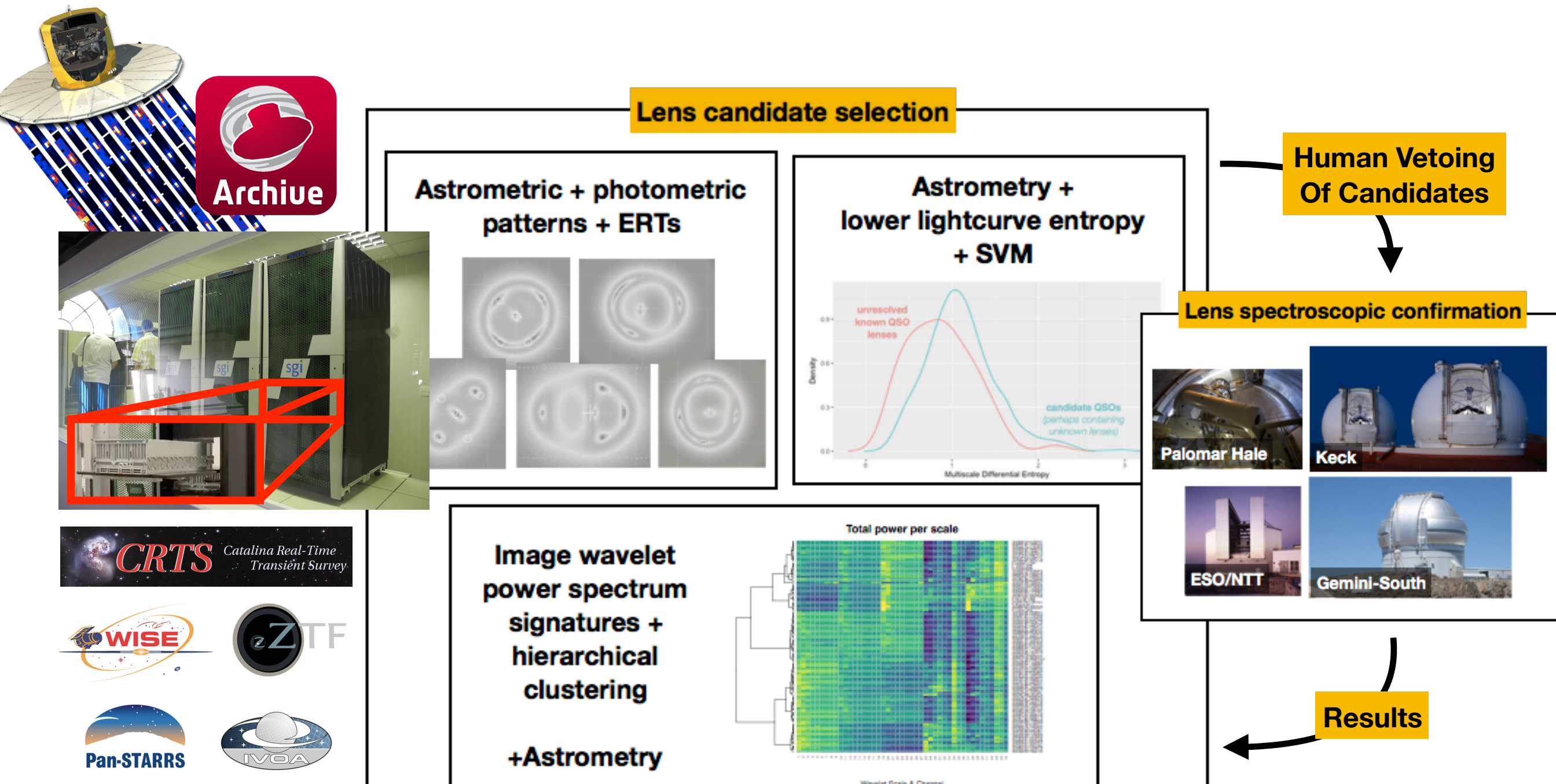
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VARIATIONAL AUTOENCODER : VARIABLE TRANSFORMATION

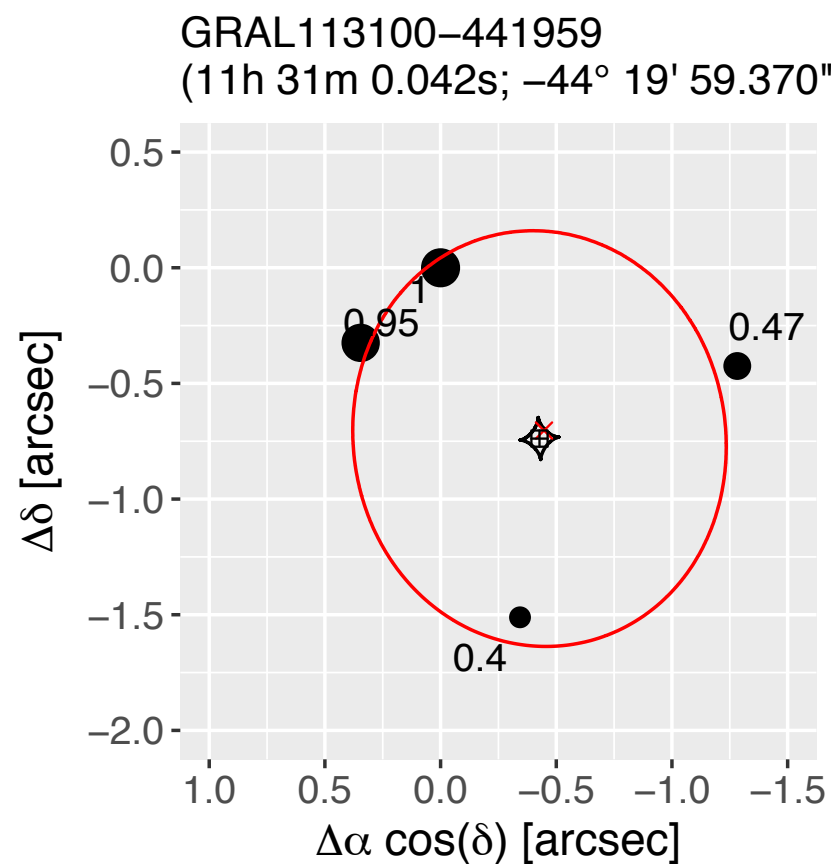
RANDOM FOREST + SIMPLE NNETS

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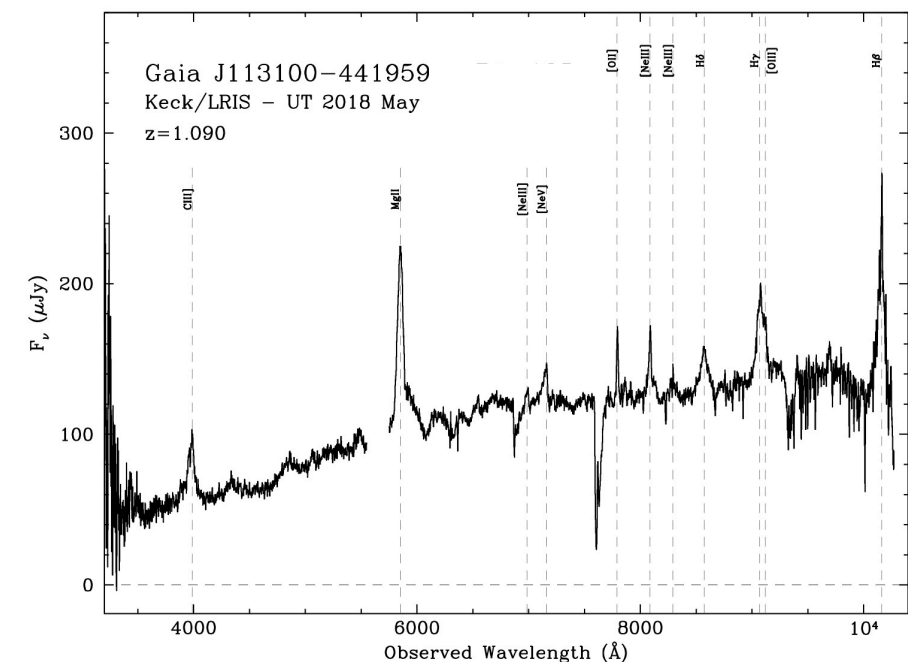
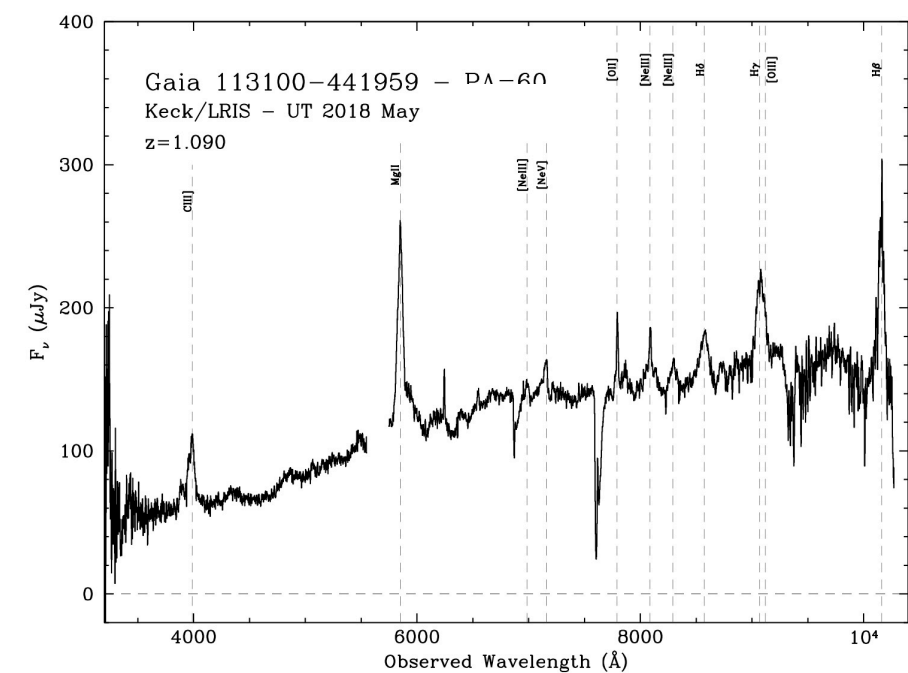




# THE FIRST LENSED QSO DISCOVERED FROM ASTROMETRY



Krone-Martins, A.; Delchambre, L.; Wertz, O. et al., A&A, 616, L11, 2018



Wertz, O.; Stern, D.; Krone-Martins, A. et al., A&A, 628, A17, 2019

## GRAL: SEEING QUADRUPLE...



**+ ~3 quadruply imaged,**  
exact number still waiting  
higher SNR spectra  
**(EDR3)**

**+ ~31 doubly imaged**  
**(DR2+EDR3)**

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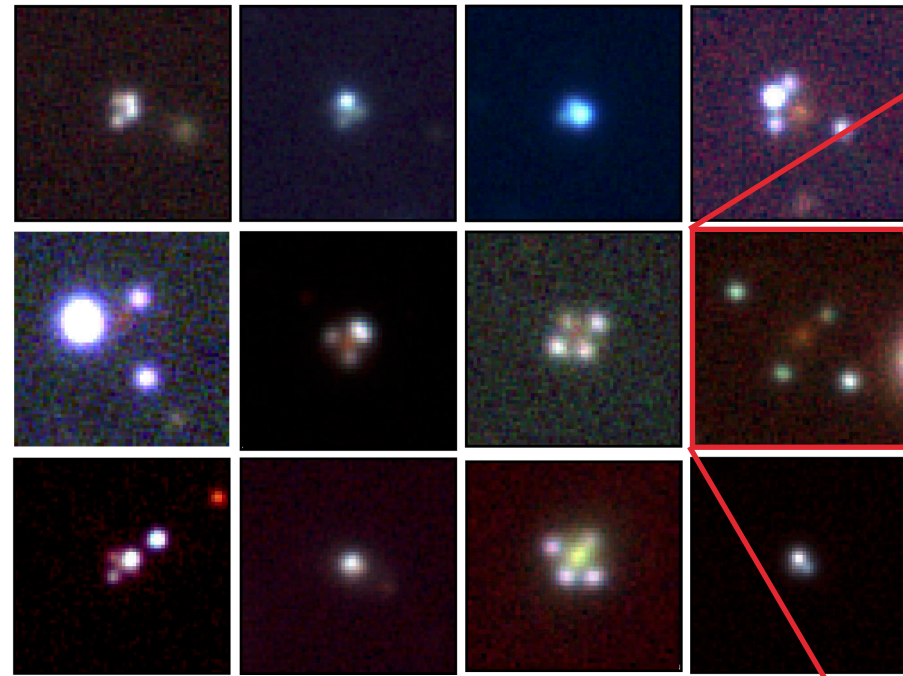
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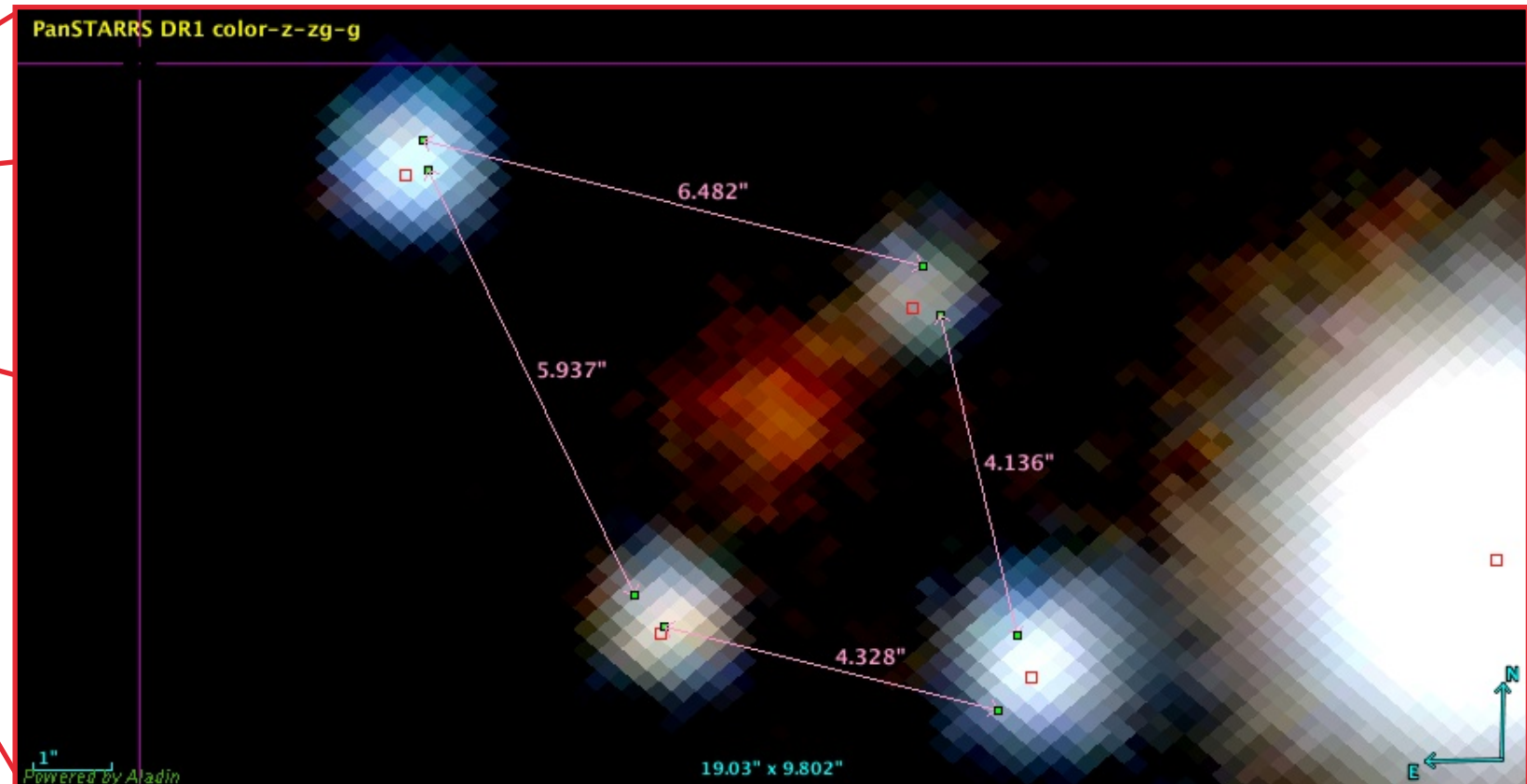


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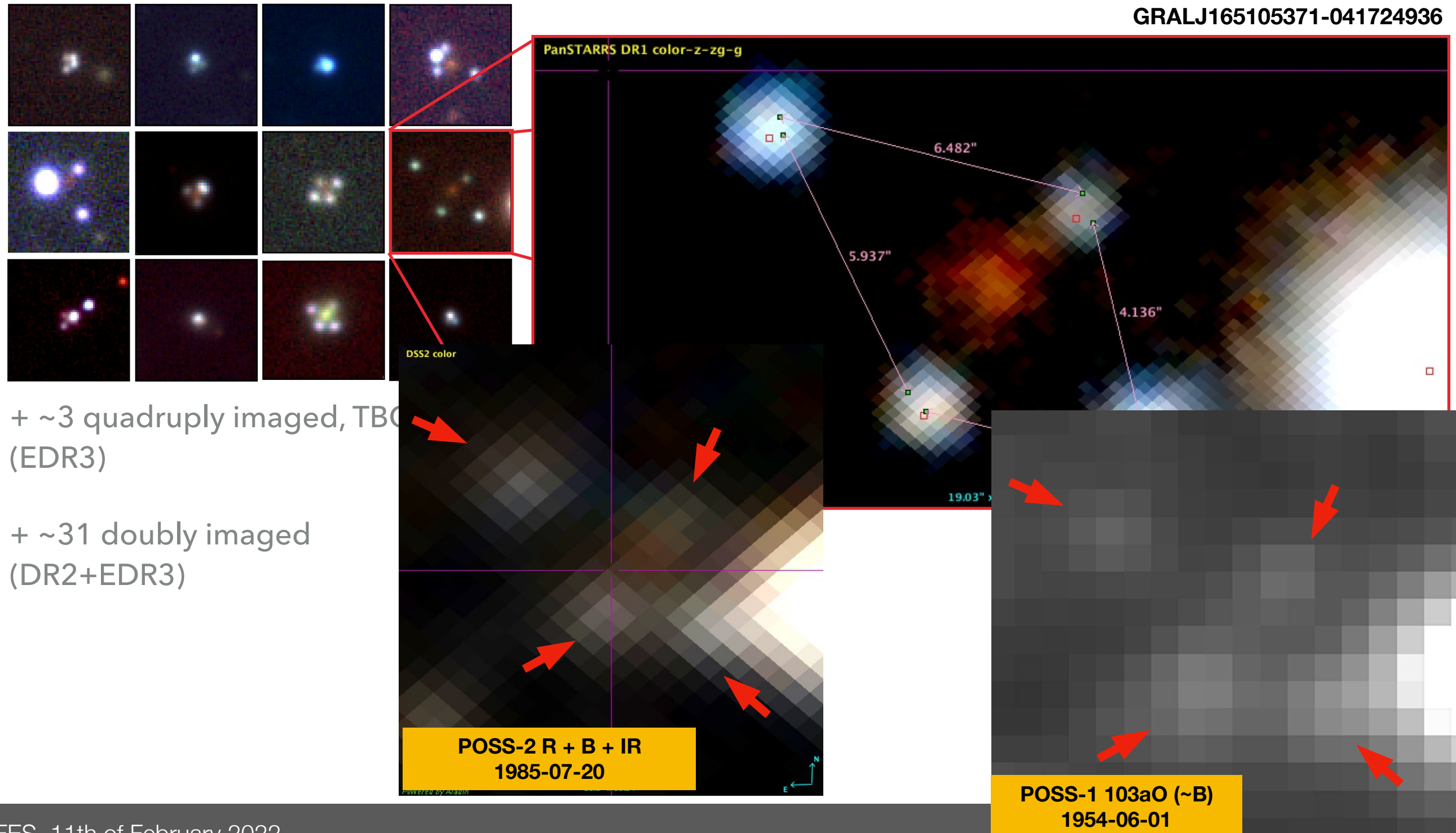
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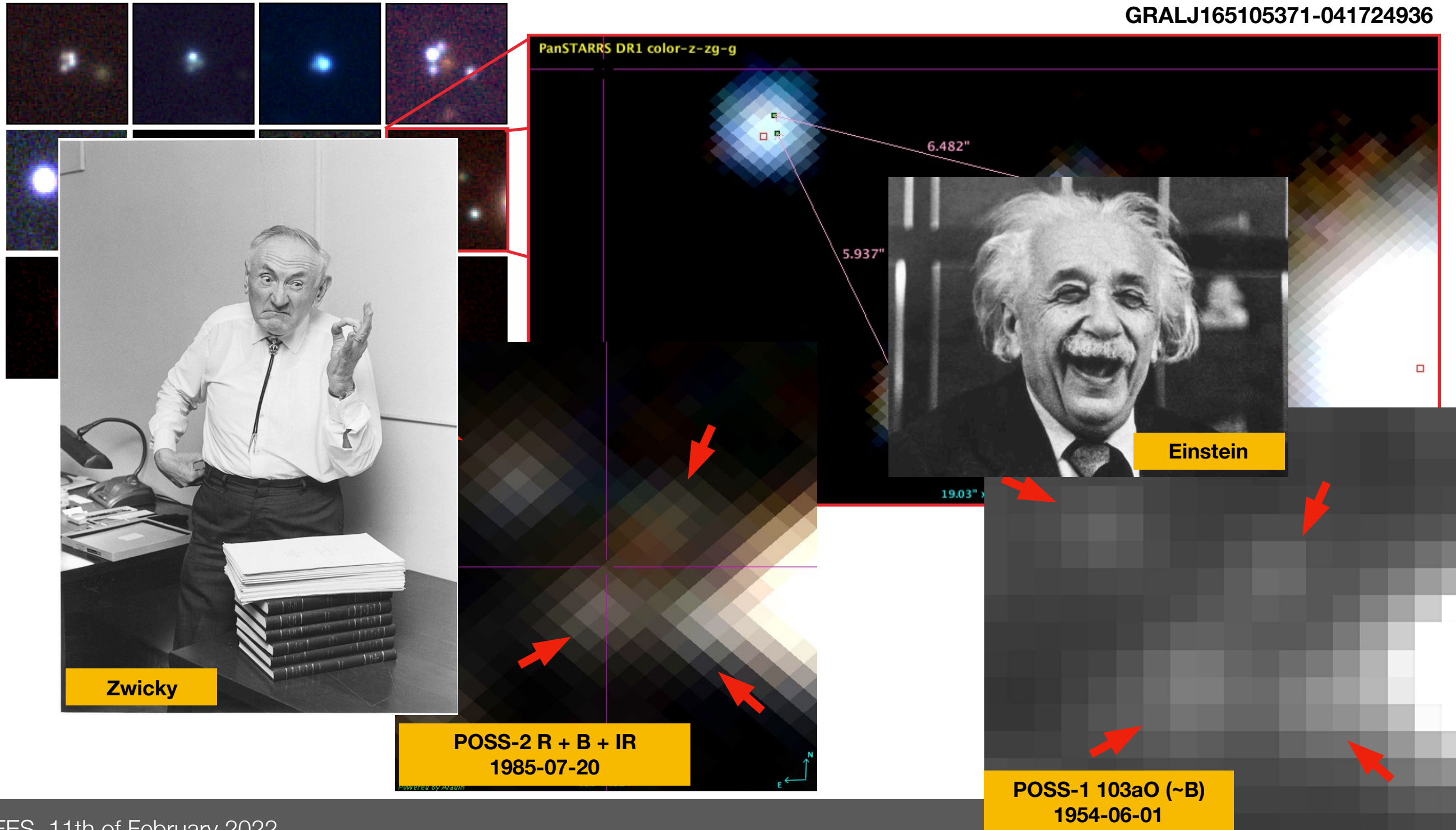
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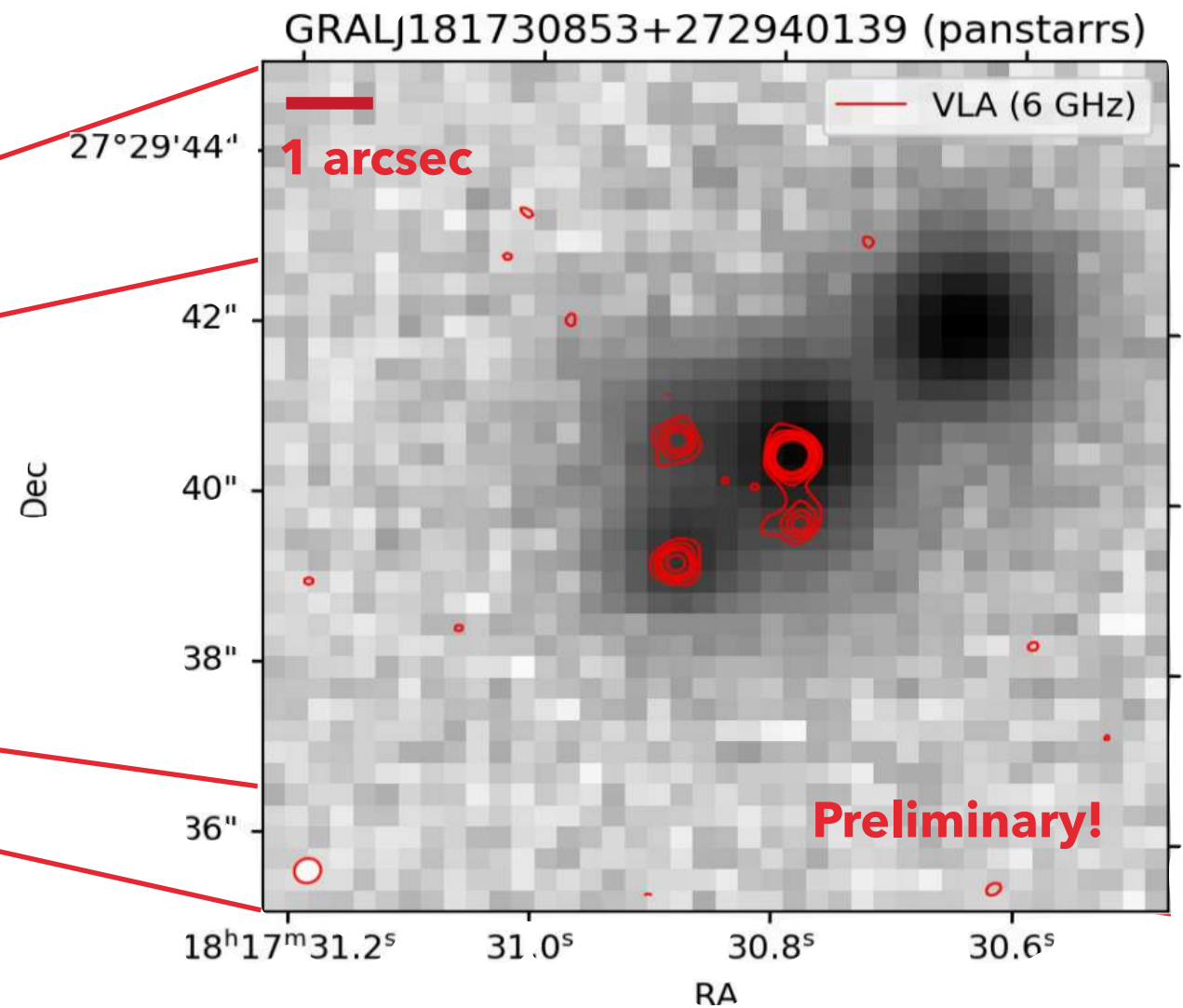
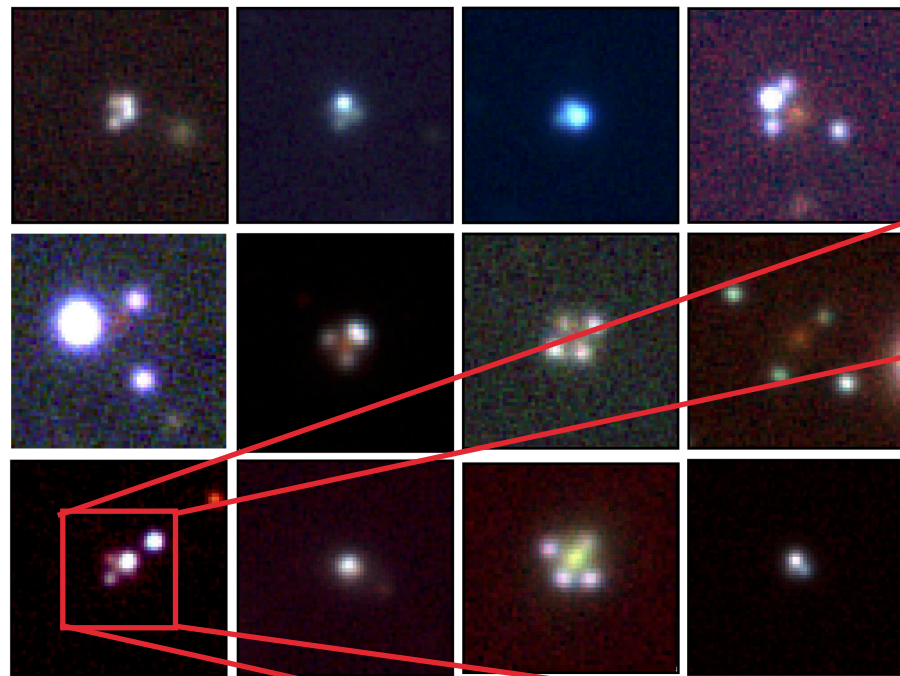
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## FOLLOW UPS FOR H0 + DM



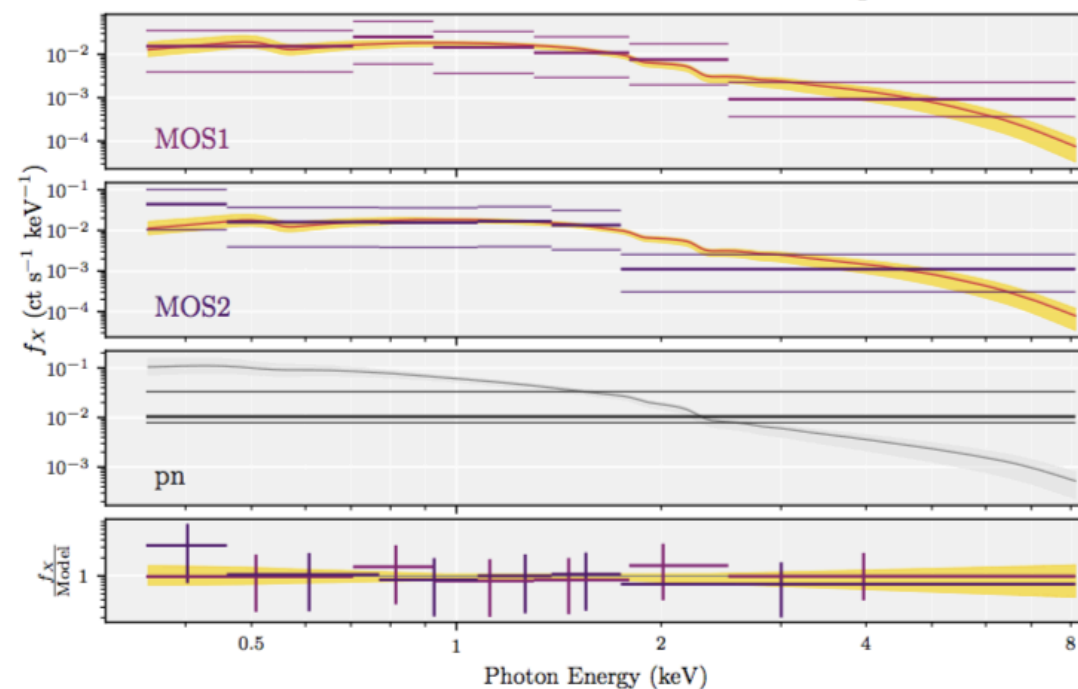
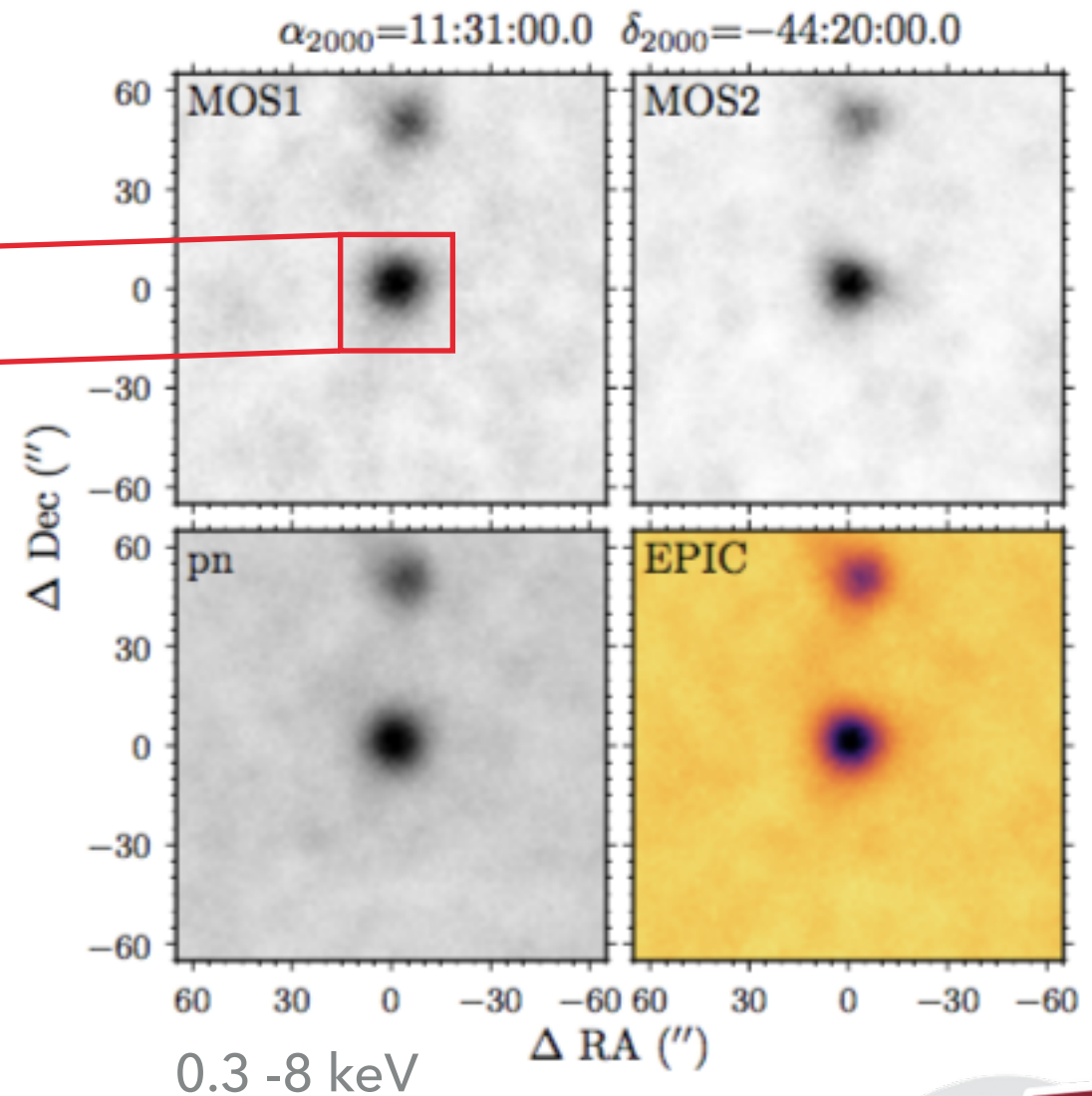
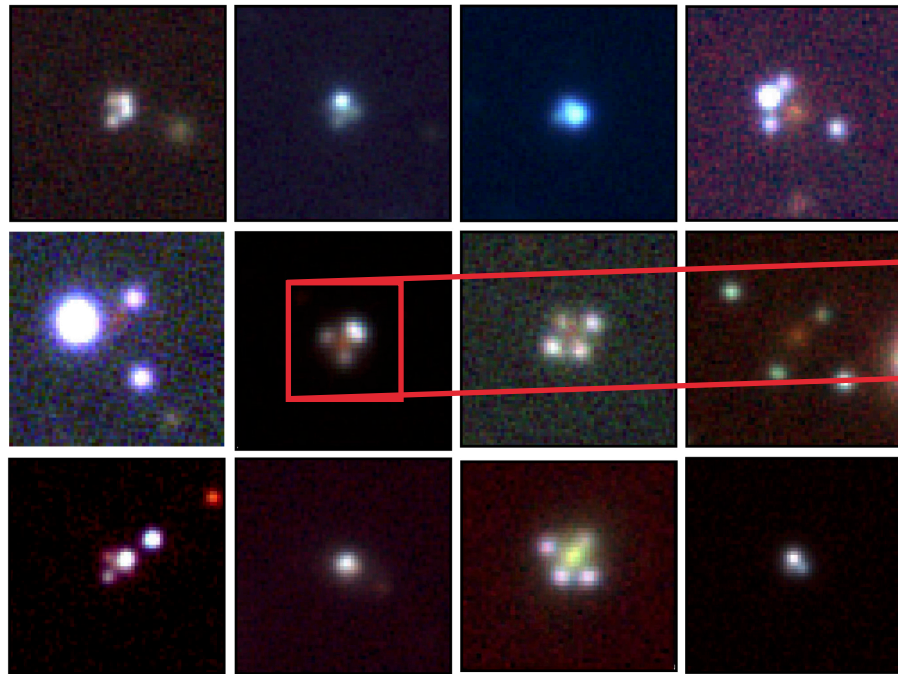
ATCA

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**Current:****Radio:** ATCA/Australia + Jansky-VLA/USA**Optical:** Keck/OSIRIS + Gemini/GMOS + VLT/MUSE (AO+IFU)

# HIGH ENERGY FOLLOW UPS: BLACK HOLE PROPERTIES

ROSAT data ALSO!  
Highly variable!  
major microlensing?



**Current:**  
XMM Newton EPIC





# In this short talk...

Why?

How?

**The future?**



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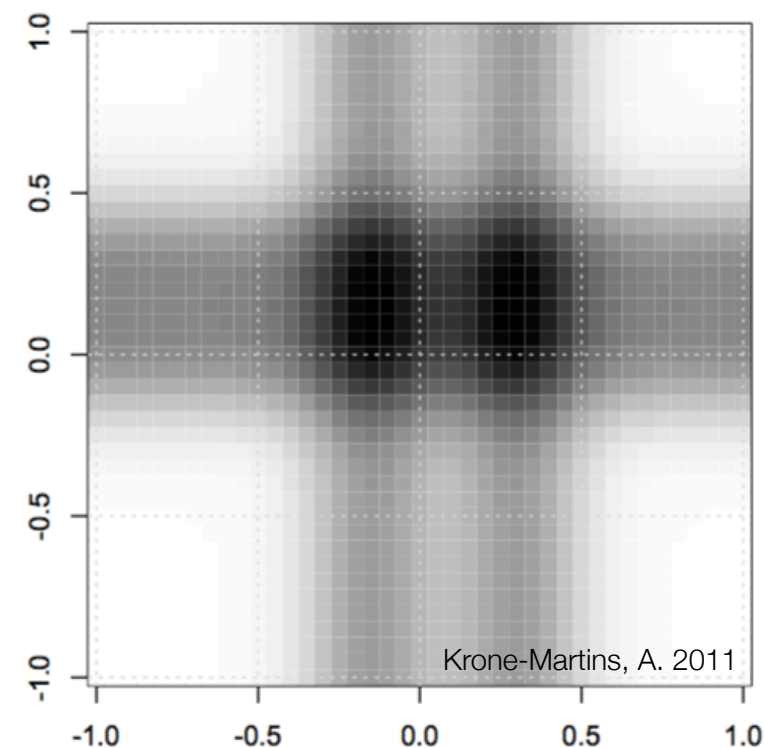
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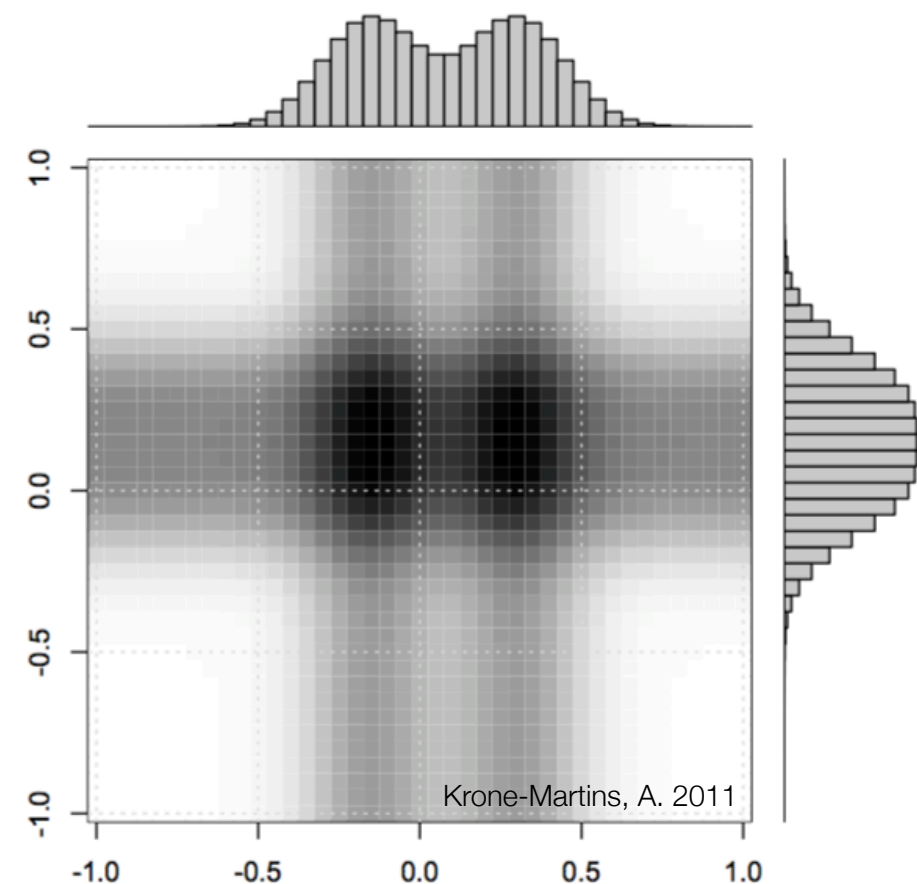
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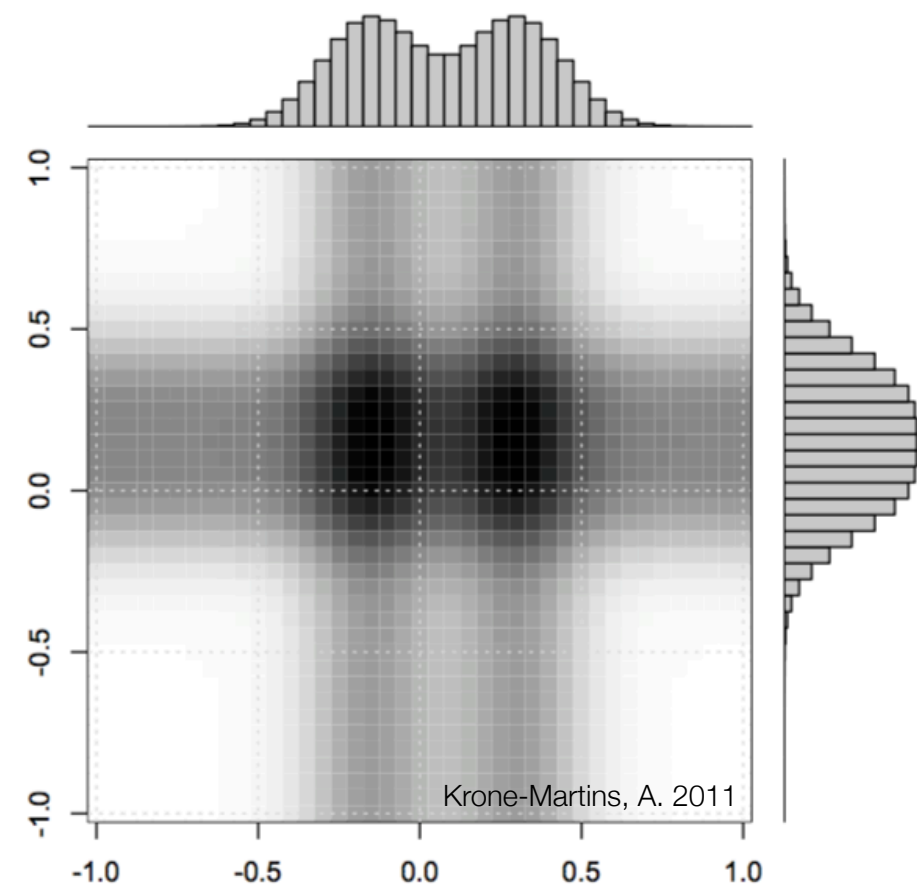
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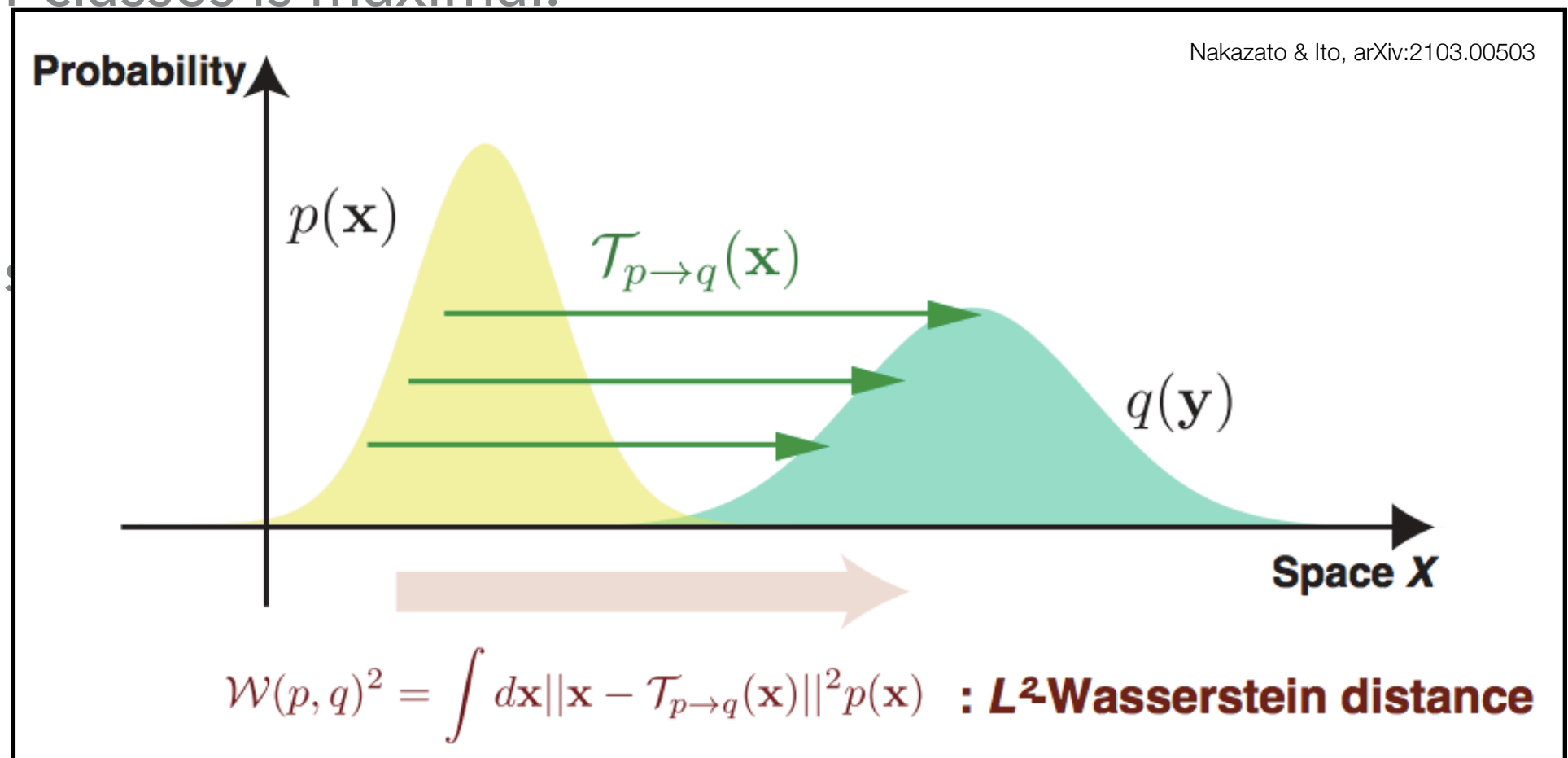


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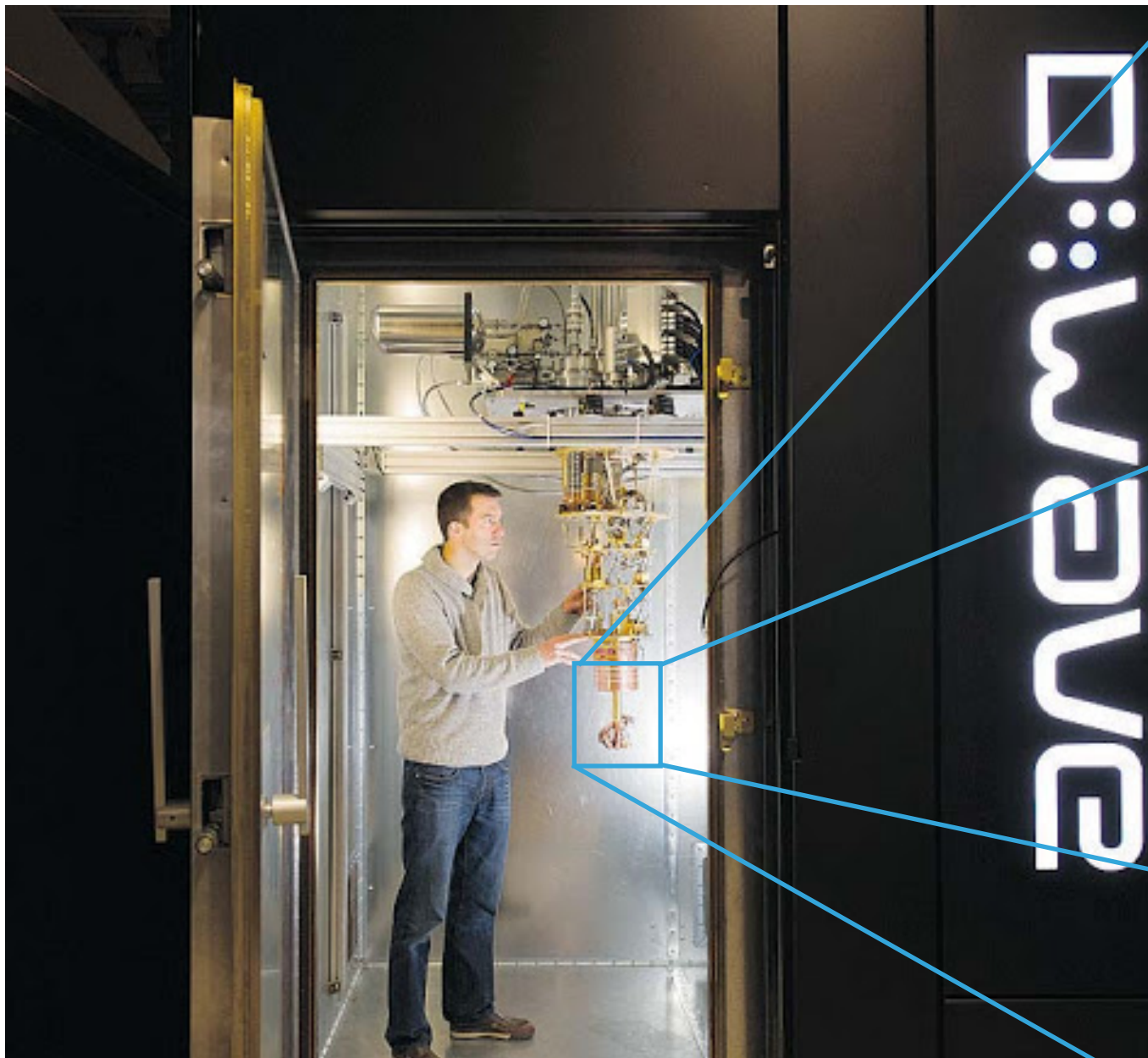
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Use  $q_{i,j}$  to encode the Wasserstein distance between the p.d.f. of lenses and no-lenses, projected on the  $(i, j)$  dimensions.

# VARIABLE SELECTION VIA QUANTUM ANNEALING

- ▶ Heuristic to find good candidate solutions to certain optimization problems using **superposition and entanglement of qubits**



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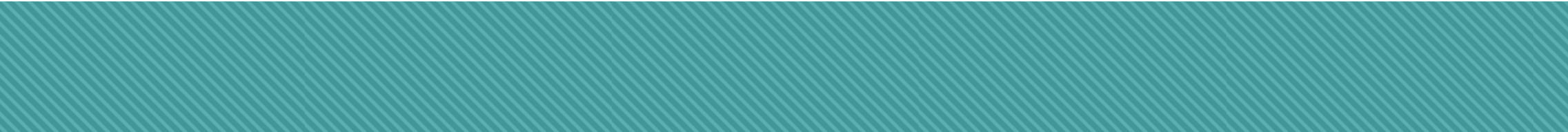
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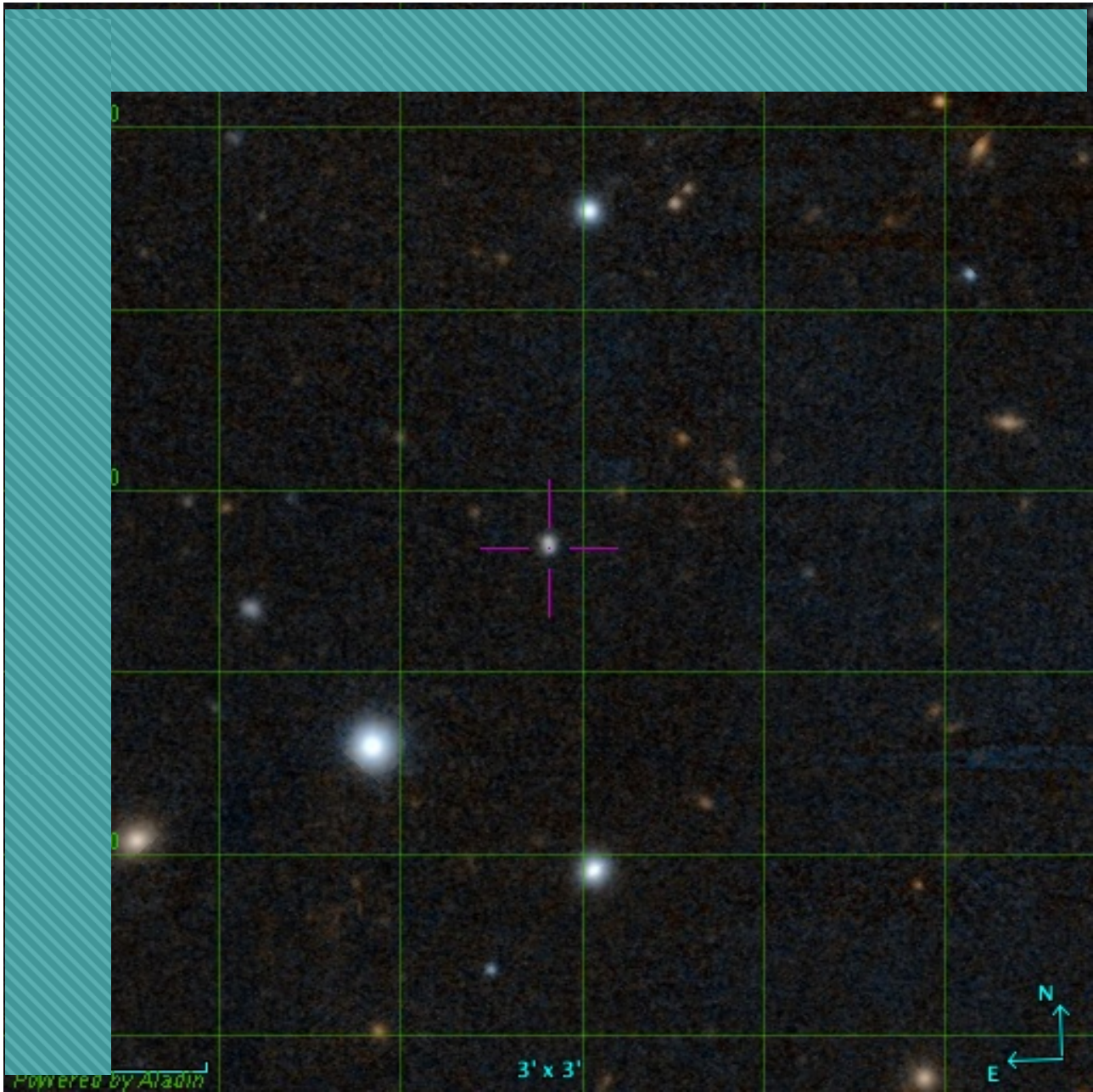
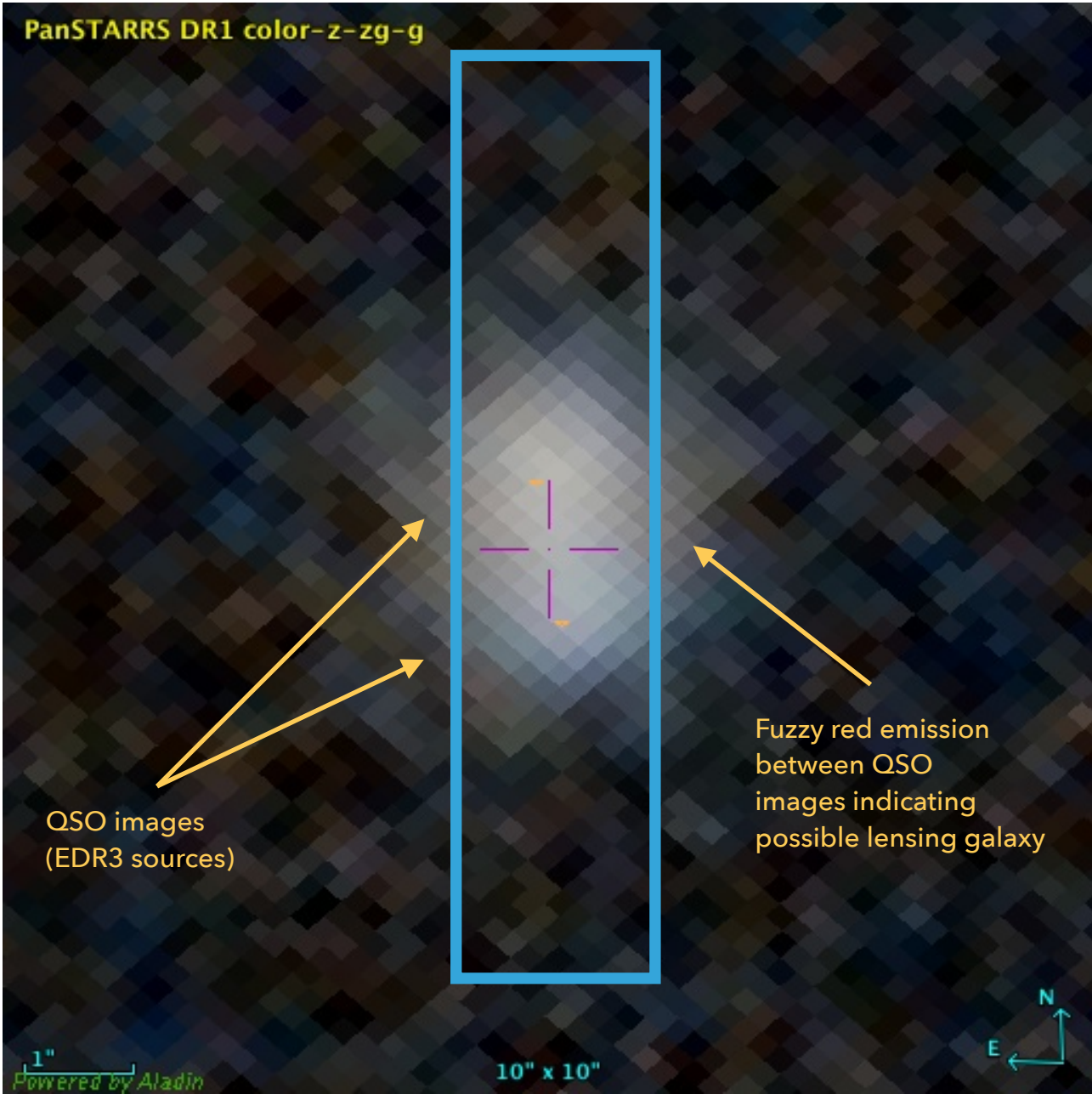


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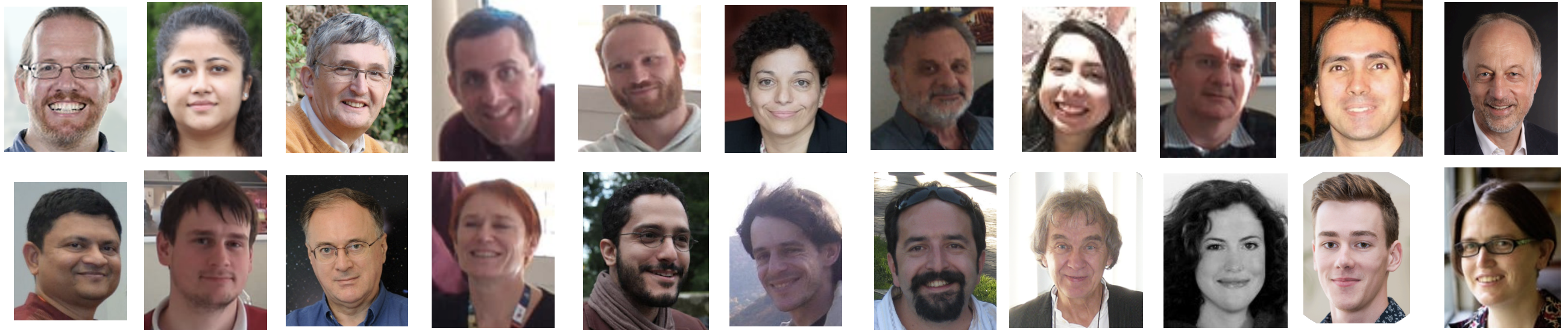
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HIGH PRIORITY OBSERVATION



(XGBOOST + QUANTUM ANNEALING CANDIDATE SELECTION USING EDR3 + WISE + PANSTARRS CATALOGUE AND IMAGE DATA)

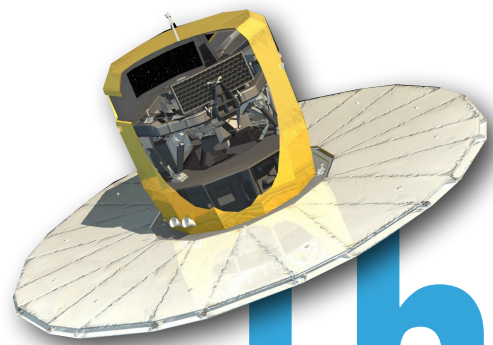




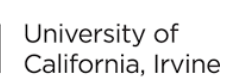
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