

Title: Patchy Blazar Heating

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Abstract:

# Warming-up the IGM with patchy blazar heating

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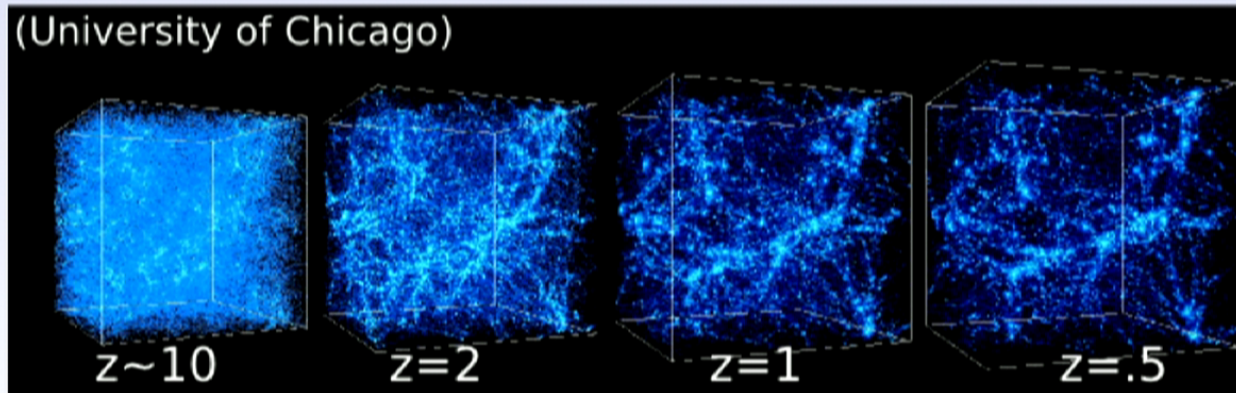
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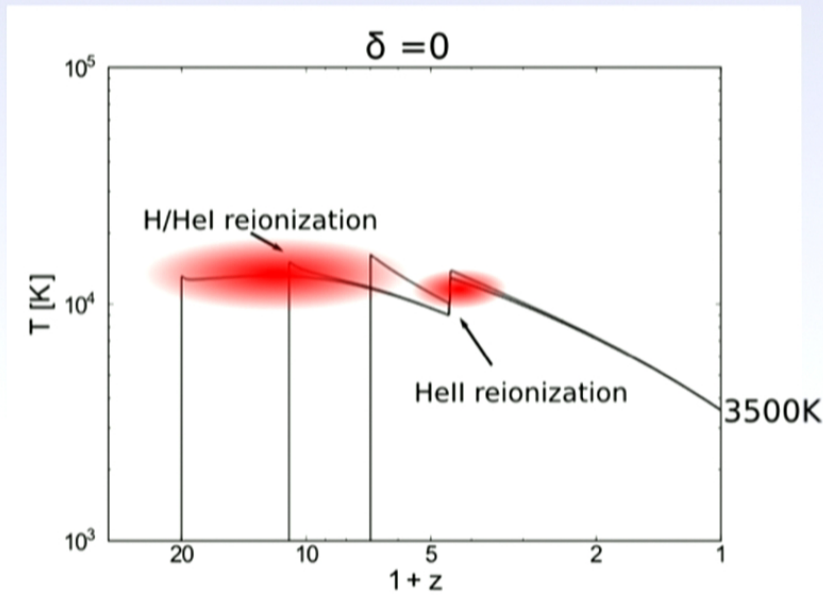
## The Intergalactic medium



- majority of baryons → reservoir for structure formation/evolution
- Long-term thermal memory → probe of re-ionization, star formation...
- Quasi-linear evolution

# (Brief) thermal history of the IGM

Competition between heating and cooling : re-ionization, photoheating, adiabatic cooling

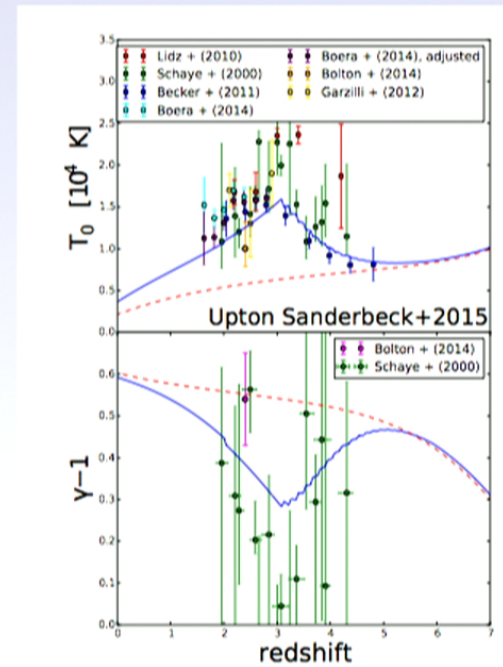


$T = T_0(\rho/\bar{\rho})^{\gamma-1} \rightarrow$  Major questions:  $T_0, \gamma$ .

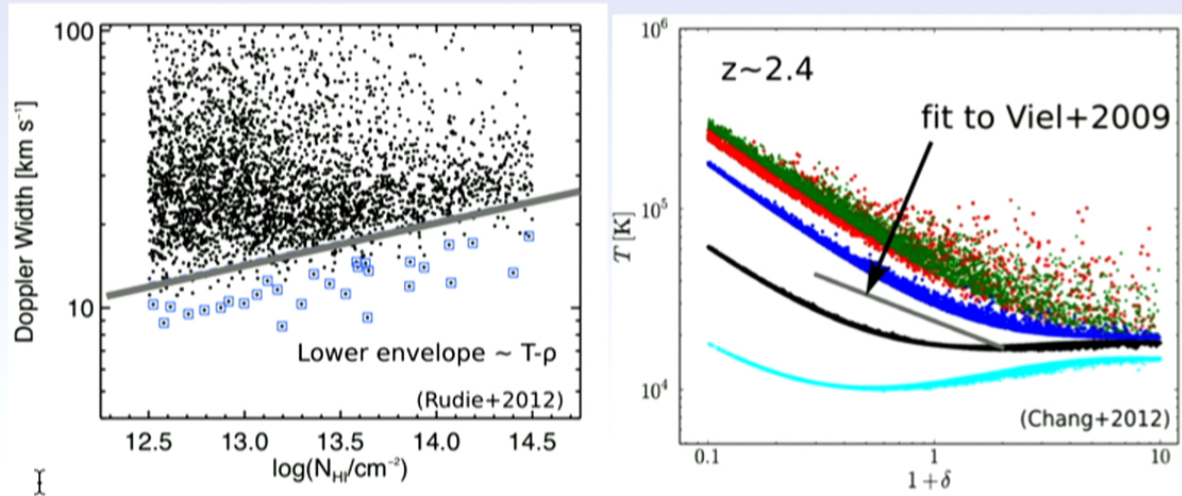


# Challenges

- Mainly absorption: Ly $\alpha$  forest
  - mostly  $1.5 \leq z \leq 3 \rightarrow$  no full history
  - sensitive to  $\delta \geq 0$ , lower  $\delta$  need *Hell*
  - Uncertainties ionizing background
- Analysis: column density + Doppler width  $\neq$  density + temperature
- Simulations are required to calibrate T and  $\gamma$  estimates  $\rightarrow$  physical assumptions, numerical uncertainties



# Observational discrepancy



Recent observations of Ly<sub>α</sub> → apparent contradiction  
What is the thermal state/evolution of the intergalactic medium?

## Motivations

- IGM structure is fundamental for understanding Large Scale Structure
- intuitive understanding
- Calorimeter → measure of blazar heating, number of blazars beyond  $z = .5$

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# Outline

- 1 Uniform heating models
- 2 Impact of clustering: patchy heating

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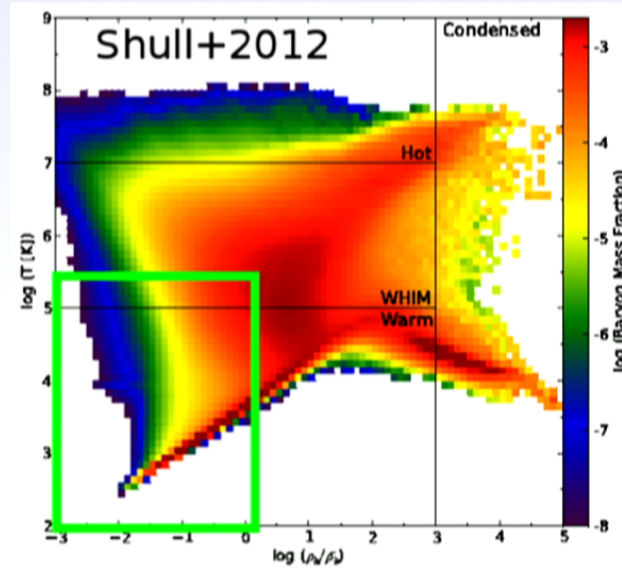


## Where?

AGN (roughly) uniformly distributed + uniform extragalactic background

⇒ blazar heating is uniform (to first order) → volumetric

⇒ impacts mainly low density regions



## Where

Mean free path for pair creation

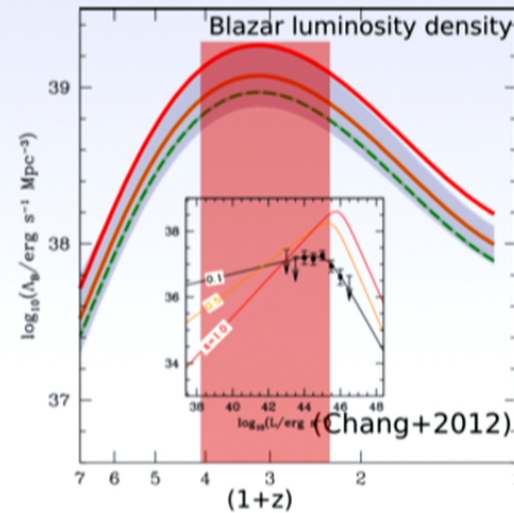
$$D_{pp}(E, z) = 35 \left( \frac{E}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{1+z}{2} \right)^{-\xi} \text{ Mpc}$$

$\xi = 0 \quad z < 1 \quad \xi = 3.5 \quad z > 1$

→ heating occurs **far from sources**, very different from other AGN feedback mechanisms

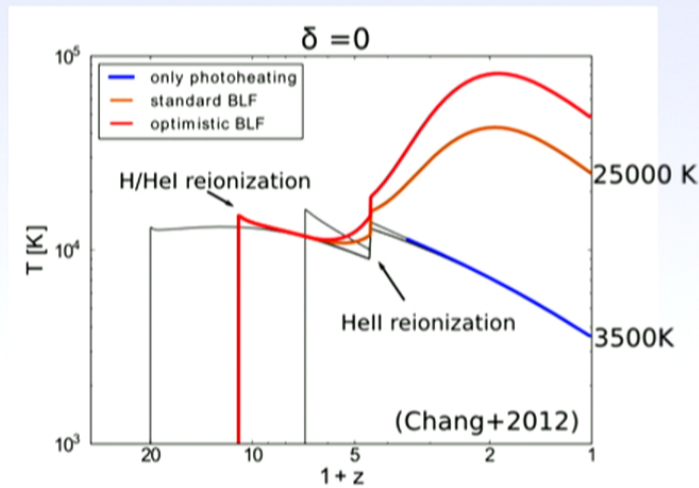
# When?

- Limit: number of blazars
  - TeV-Blazars unobservable at high  $z$ : evolution?
  - At  $z = 0$   $L_{blazar} \simeq 10^{-3} L_{quasar}$
  - Blazars  $\simeq$  Quasars (accretion physics)
- Assumption : Blazars follow evolution of quasars with scaled luminosity density → low, intermediate, high blazar heating models  
 → peak after  $z \simeq 3$



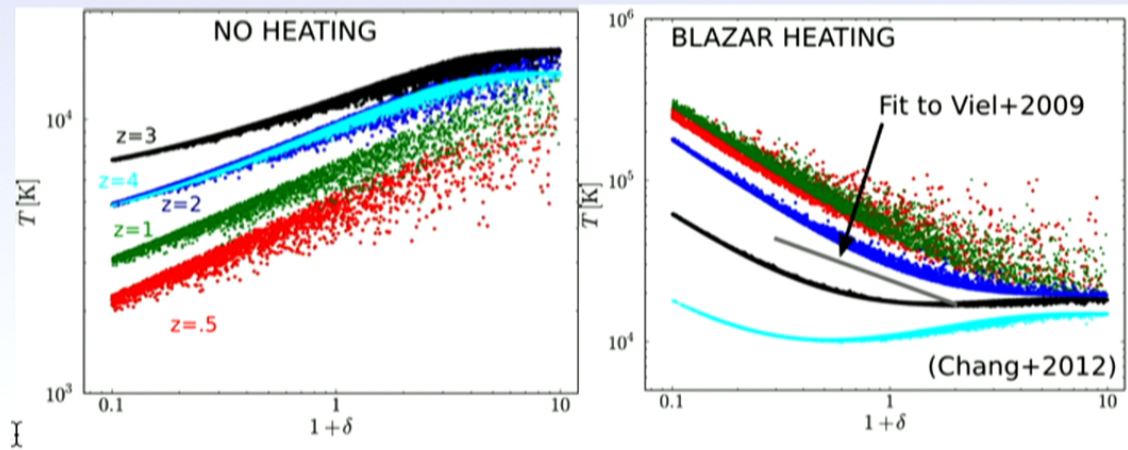
# Temperature of IGM

TeV sources → estimate local heating rate → add in simple model of IGM (Hui, Gnedin, 1997)



⇒ Significant heating for  $z \leq 3$

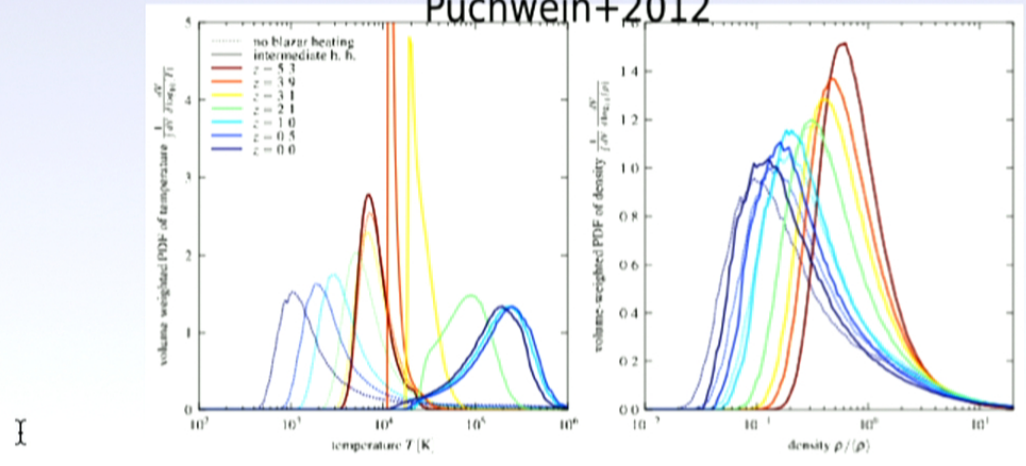
# Temperature-Density distribution



→ inverted temperature-density relation

# impact on IGM

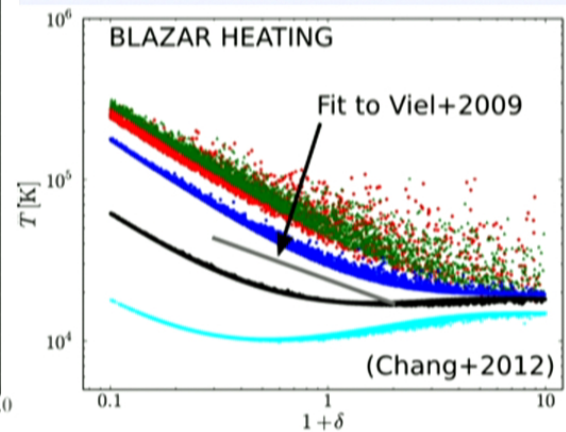
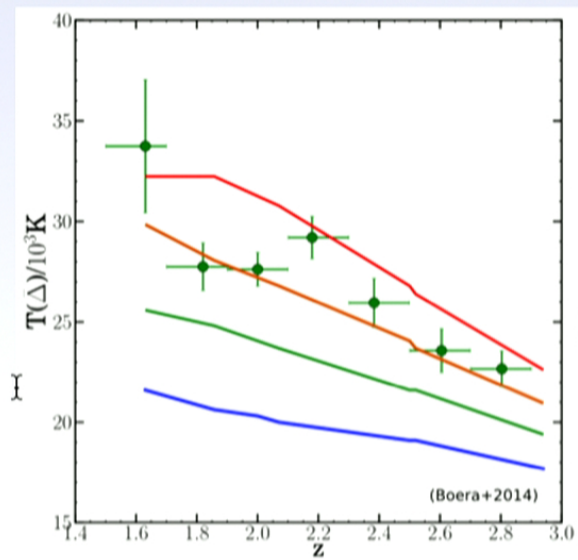
Puchwein+2012



Higher temperature at all  $z$ , limited impact on density distribution

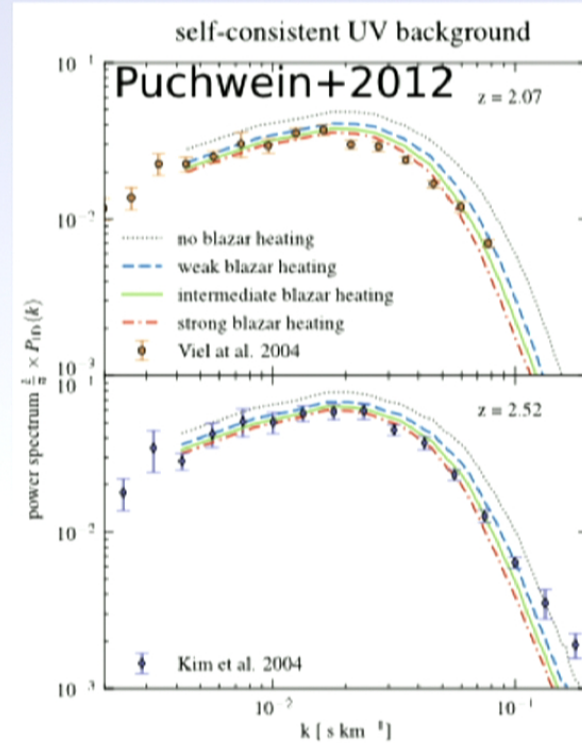
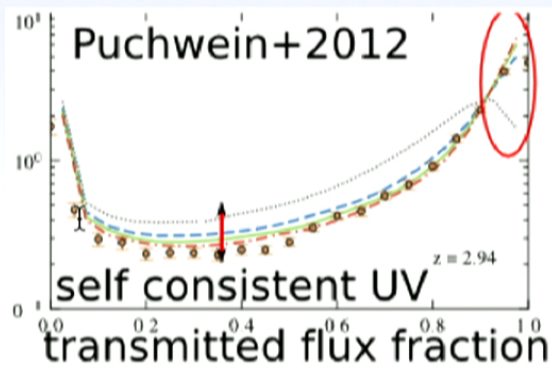
# observational constraints: $T_0, \gamma$

Higher  $T_0$  and inverted  $T - \rho$  suggested by some recent results  
 (Boera+2012, Viel+2009, Becker+2007, Bolton+2008...)



# Impact on Ly $\alpha$ statistics

no need for UV flux adjustments,  
 better agreement for weakest  
 absorbers, good agreement for  
 powerspectrum

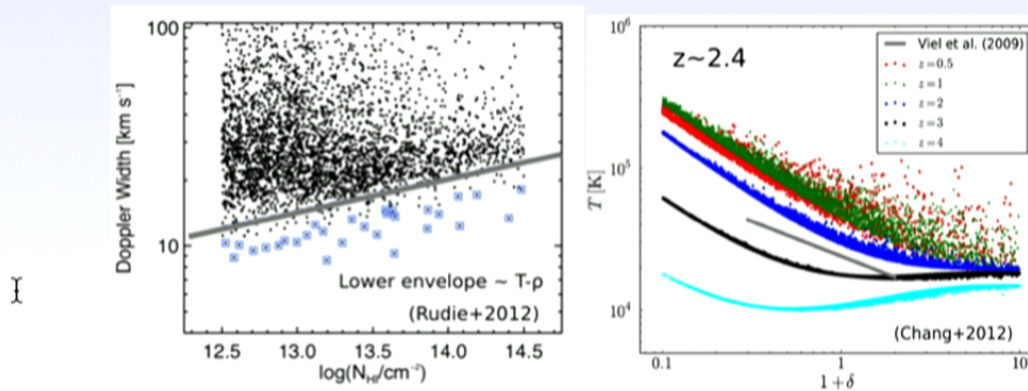




# A more complex thermal history for the IGM

## TeV blazars efficiently heat IGM

- Additional heating after  $z \simeq 3$
- inverted  $T - \rho$



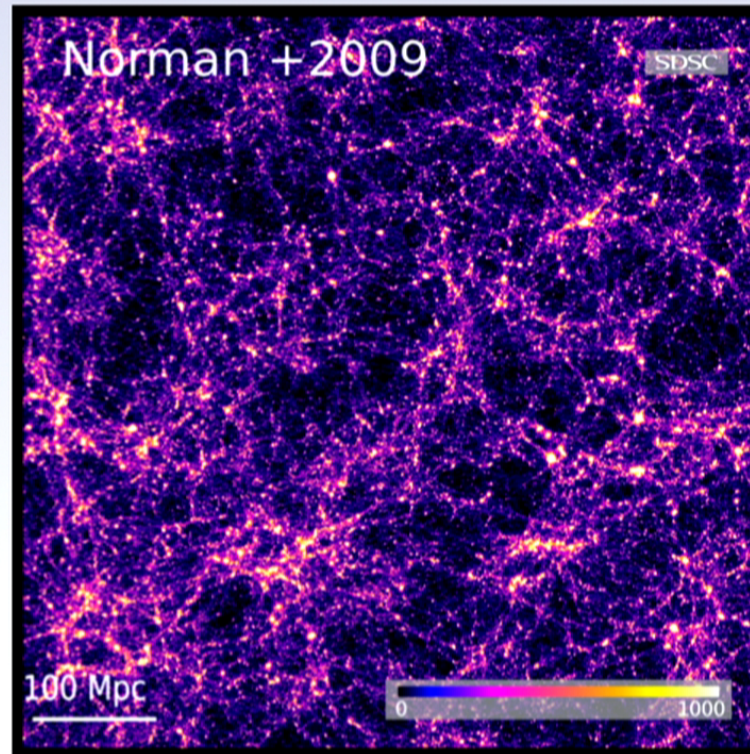
→ fits some data, problems with Voigt profile fitting → scatter in  $T - \rho$ ?

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# Origin of the fluctuations



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$$H = \bar{H} + \delta_H$$

Proximity to source → increased flux → increased heating

Idea :  $\delta_H = f(\delta_{DM})$

heating at given point  $\rightarrow$  Integral on all sources

Ex static universe :

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_H(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{\dot{Q}(\mathbf{x}) - \bar{Q}}{\bar{Q}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\bar{Q}D_{pp}} \int_{\Omega} d\Omega \int_0^{r_{\max}} dr' (\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{r}' + \mathbf{x}) - \bar{\mathcal{E}}) e^{-\tau} \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi\bar{Q}D_{pp}} \int_{\Omega} d\Omega \int_0^{r_{\max}} dr' \delta_E(\mathbf{r}' + \mathbf{x}) \bar{\mathcal{E}} e^{-\tau}\end{aligned}$$

Then Fourier transform  $\rightarrow \tilde{\delta}_H = \tilde{W}_{blazar} \tilde{\delta}_{DM}$

## Filtering function (Lamberts+2015, inspired by Furlanetto+2007, Barkana+2005)

Expanding universe

$$\tilde{W}_H(k, z) = \frac{1}{\bar{X}} \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} dE \int_z^{z_{max}} dz' \frac{dX(E, z, z')}{dz'} \\ \times \frac{D(z')}{D(z)} \left( (b(z) + \frac{f}{3}) j_0(kr) - f j_2(kr) \right)$$

with

$$X(E, z', z) = \frac{\mathcal{E}(E', z') e^{-\tau(z, z', E)}}{D_{pp}} \frac{c(1+z)^3}{H(z')}$$

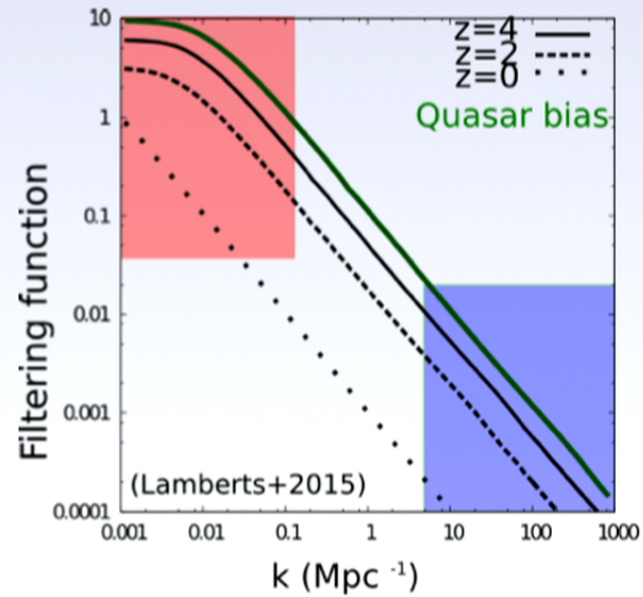
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- integral on blazar spectrum
- bias, redshift-space distortions, increased area
- linear growth of DM perturbations
- expansion universe
- received energy

# Filtering function

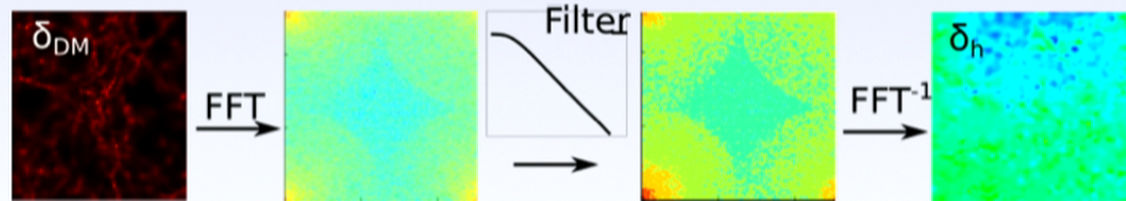
Naturally selects relevant length scales

- High quasar bias → more power
- Scales below  $\simeq 10$  Mpc have little impact
- Large scale  $\delta_h$  follow  $\delta_{DM}$



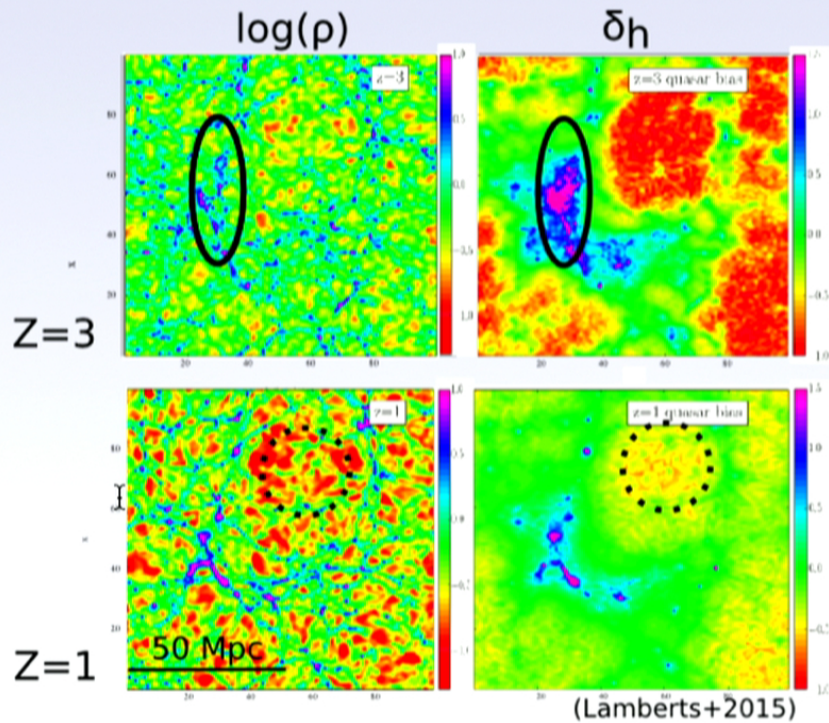
# Implementation in Gadget

Gadget-3 (Springel+2005) SPH code, "copy" FFT used to solve Poisson equation



Alternative to subgrid model, computationally cheap  
 $L_{box} = 100 \text{ Mpc}$ ,  $2 \times 512^3$  particles, simplified star-formation.  
 simulations with two bias models

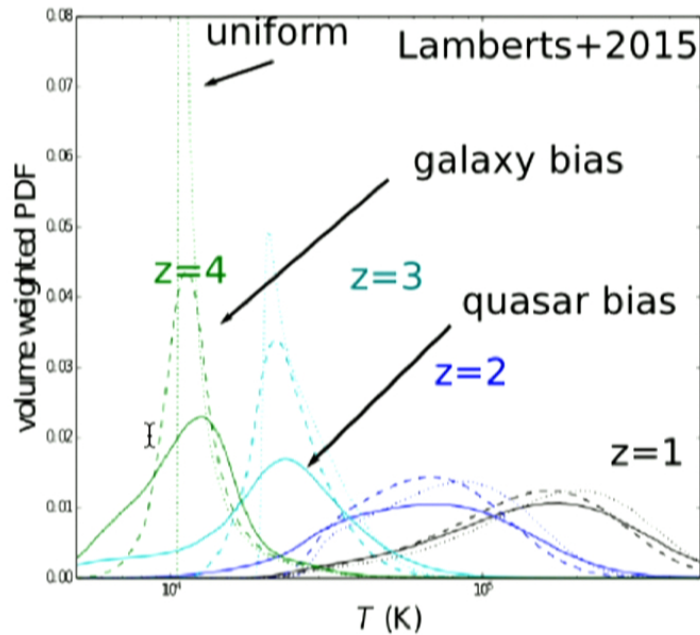
# Accounting for clustering



- bias :  $\delta \geq 1$  : more heat
- $\delta \leq 1$  : no small scale fluctuations
- $\delta \leq 1$  : heating impacts strongly



# temperature distribution

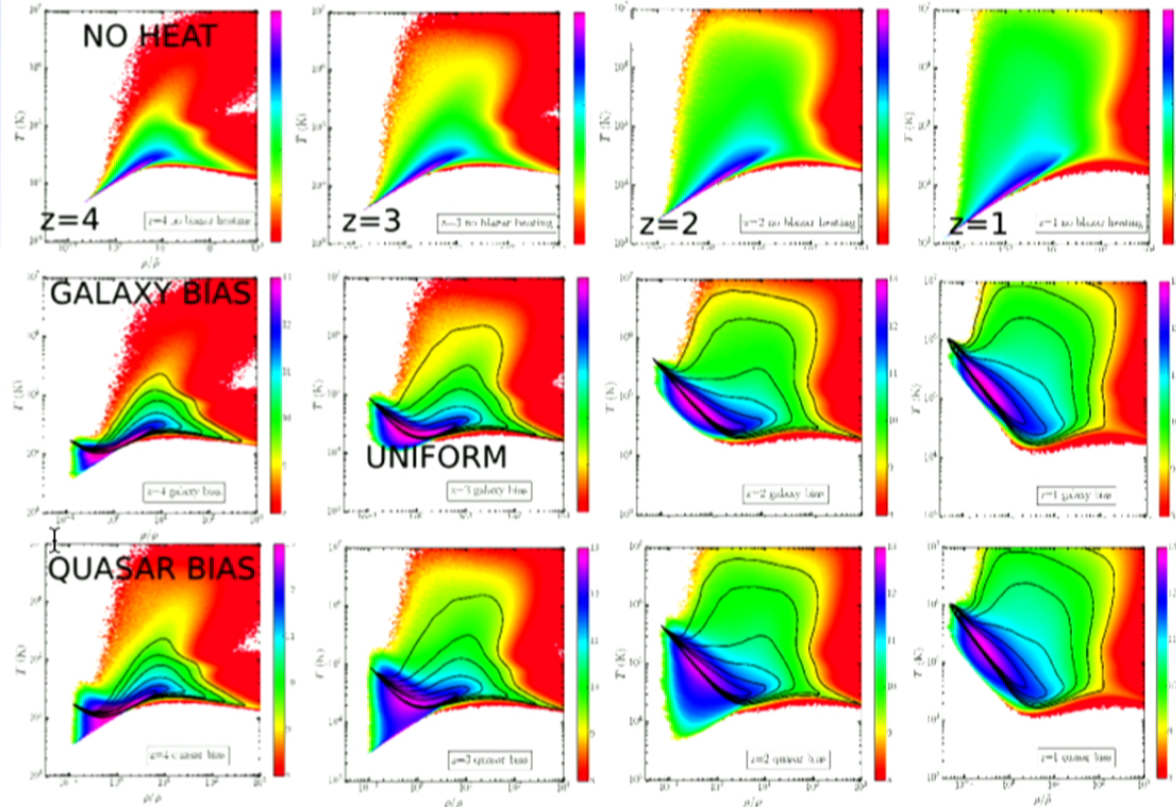


Temperature: integrated impact of blazar heating

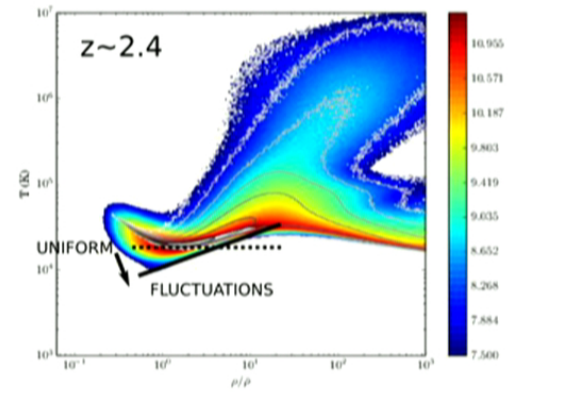
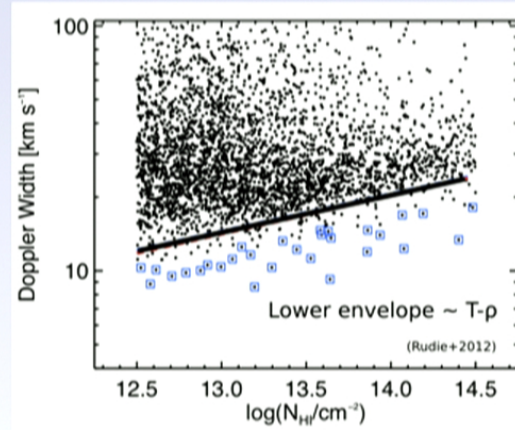
- Larger scatter than uniform heating
- Average lower T than uniform heating (for  $z \leq 1$ )

# Temperature-Density distribution

(Lamberts+2015)



# Observational impact



- Increased scatter → fits lower envelope obtained with line profile fitting
- High T fits with curvature methods (Boera+2014)
- “By eye” fits : to be confirmed with Ly<sub>α</sub> simulations

## To come: confronting to Ly $\alpha$ data

Models of Ly $\alpha$  need higher resolution simulations:  $1280^3$  for  $100^3$  Mpc box.

Trace lines-of-sight trough simulation → computed transmitted flux  
→ fit spectra (vpfit) → compute statistics

Different statistics are sensitive to different things and have different limits and caveats.

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## To remember

### Thermal history of Universe is complex

- Developed method to model fluctuations in cosmo simulations
- → Blazar heating is not uniform
- Small scale fluctuations are erased, large scale remain
- Heating affected by clustering : much stronger close to high density regions
- Our model gives lower limit for scatter
- Unheated sources can remain long time → maybe better fit to  $Ly_{\alpha}$

## To come

### Comparison with observations

- Impact on  $\text{Ly}_\alpha$  : large scale cosmo simulation currently analyzed
- Other observational probes
  - He II forest traces lower  $\rho$
  - 21 cm line : Canadian Hydrogen Intensity Mapping Experiment (CHIME) : large scale Hydrogen fluctuations
- Handle on blazar luminosity density