

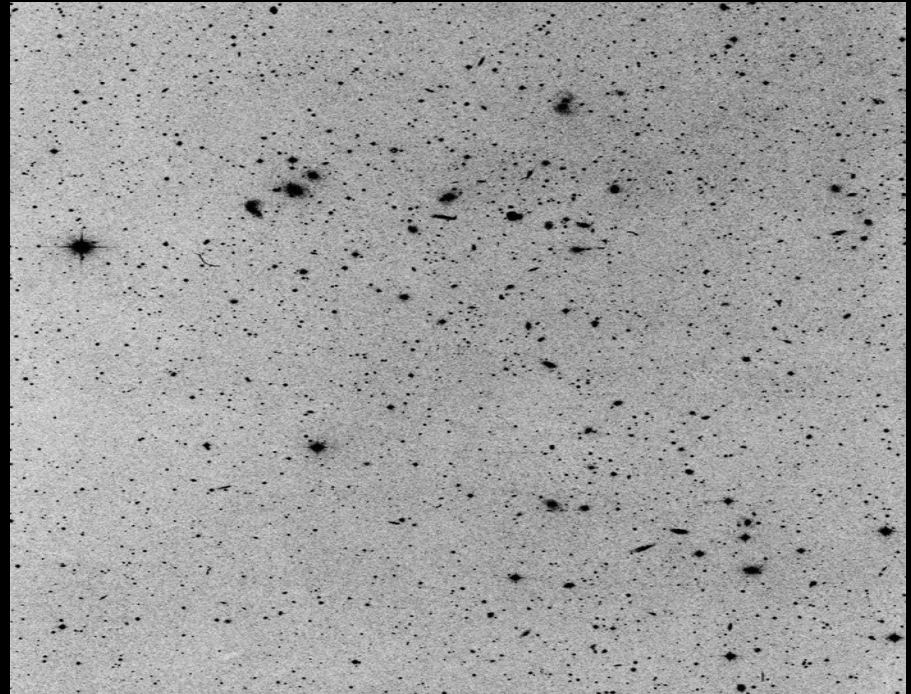
# Using Deep Learning in the Search for Galaxy Clusters

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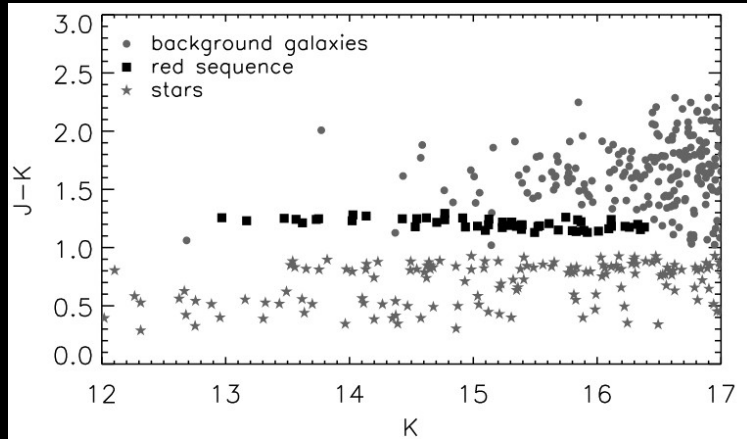
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# Introduction

- Observations of galaxy clusters are important to study the evolution of galaxies in extreme environments and determine cosmological parameters.
- George Abell created the Abell catalogue containing 4,073 galaxy clusters (Abell et al 1989).

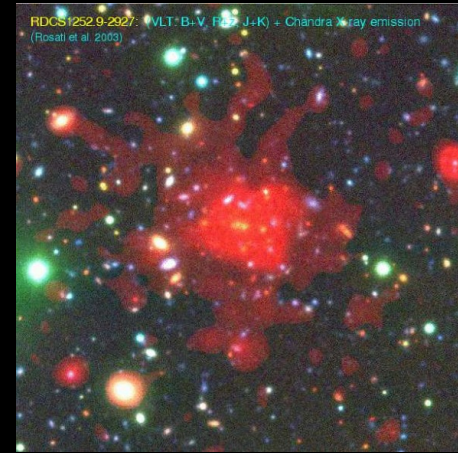


## Red Sequence Fitting



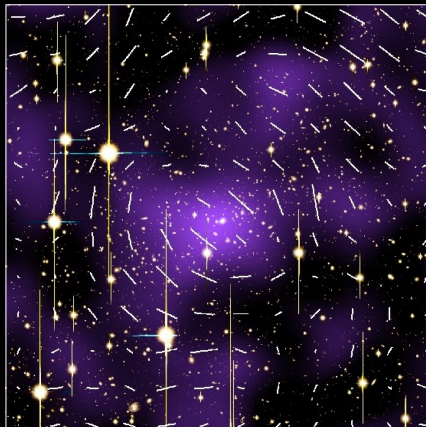
J. Stott et al 2009.

## X-ray Emissions



P. Tozzi 2007.

## Weak Gravitational Lensing



M. Oguri et al. 2010

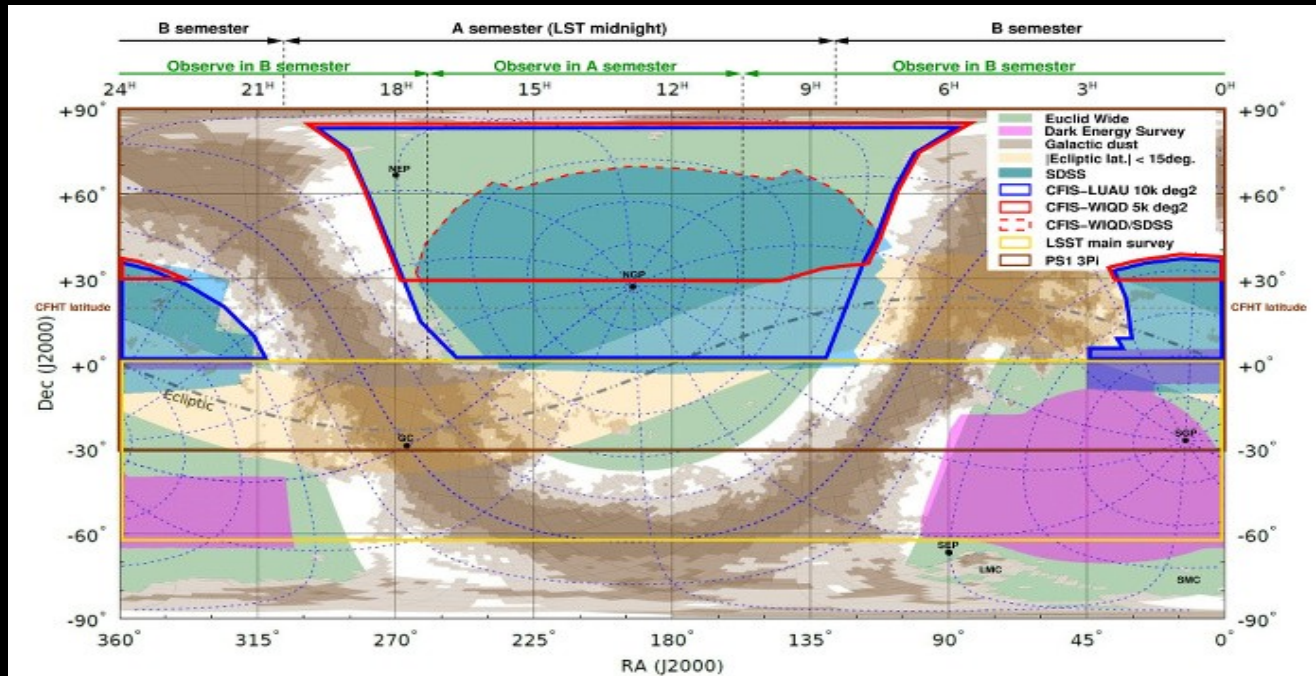
## Sunyaev-Zeldovich (SZ) Effect



B.A. Benson et al. 2014.

# Deep Learning Approach with LSST

- LSST will scan the entire southern sky with an estimated 15TB of data generated per night.
- We can apply a deep learning approach to search for galaxy clusters as we will have lots of imaging data to work with.

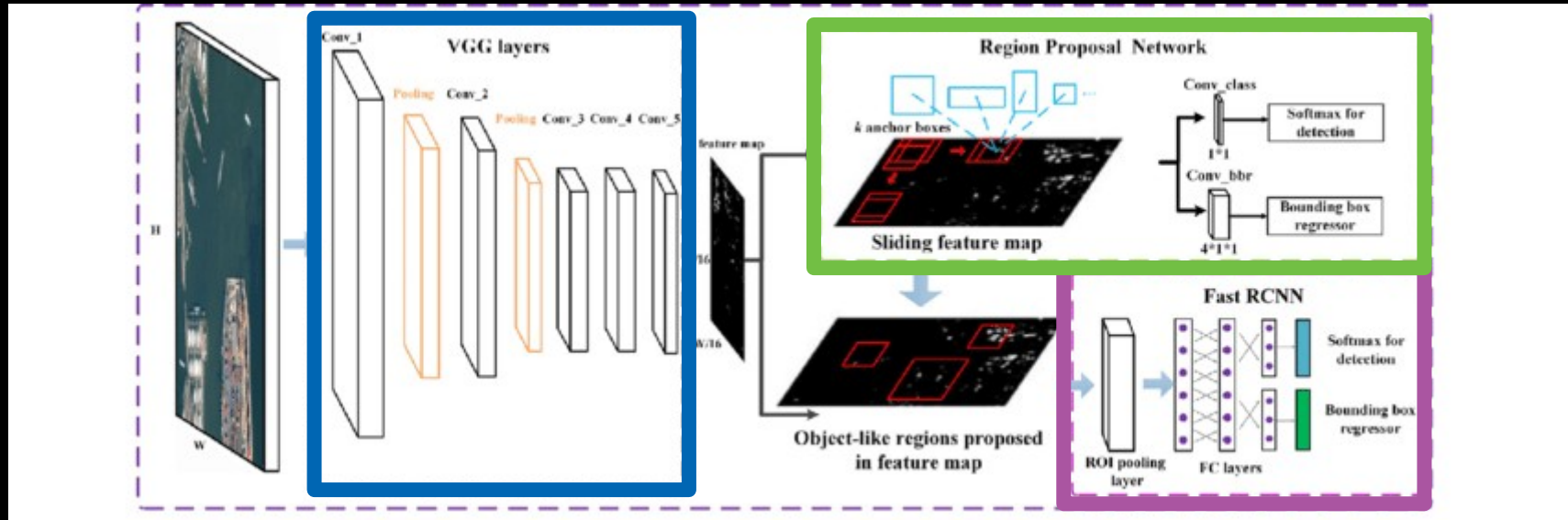


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# Deep Learning Model

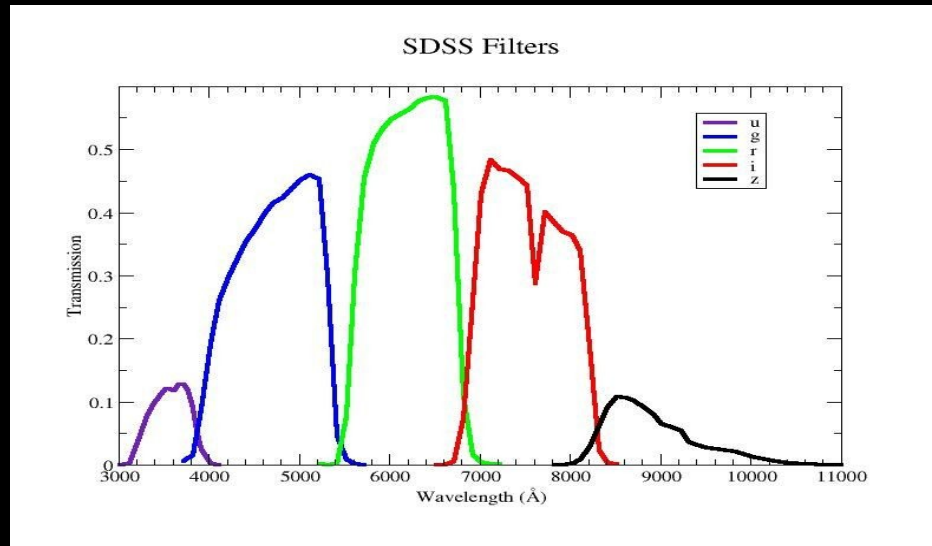
- We use a popular object detection algorithm known as Faster-RCNN (S. Ren et al 2015).
- Faster-RCNN is composed of three individual networks that work collectively to localize and identify an object.

## Region Proposal Network



# Training and Test Sets

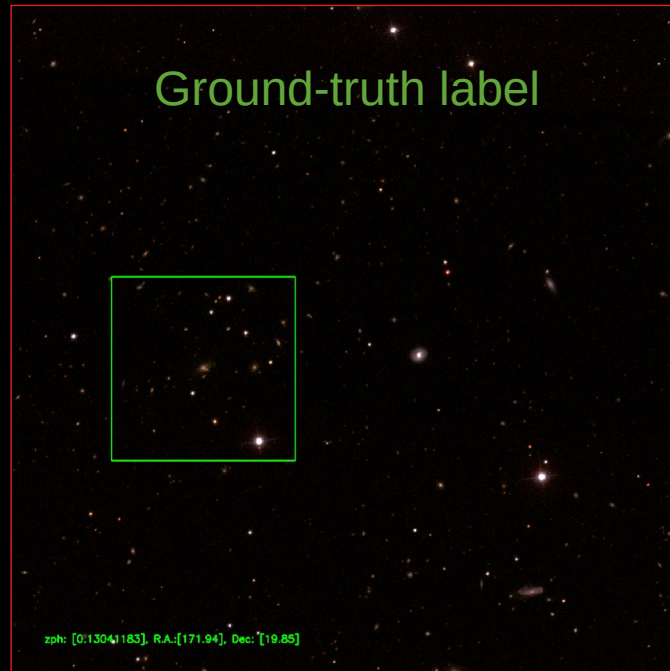
- We extract RA and Dec coordinates of the Abell galaxy clusters identified in Wen et al. 2012 catalogue.
- We select galaxy clusters between  $0.1 < z < 0.2$  and contains  $20 \geq$  members inside an  $R_{200}$  radius from the cluster centre.
- We use the i, r, g filters on the SDSS camera as the RGB channels to form coloured images.



Credit: A. Faisst

# Image Pre-Processing

- We apply a random offset sampled from a uniform distribution.
- Set fixed image sizes of 2000x2000 pixels (approximately 1443×1443 kpc at  $z=0.1$ ).
- We use a non-linear transformation to 'stretch' the contrast of the image.

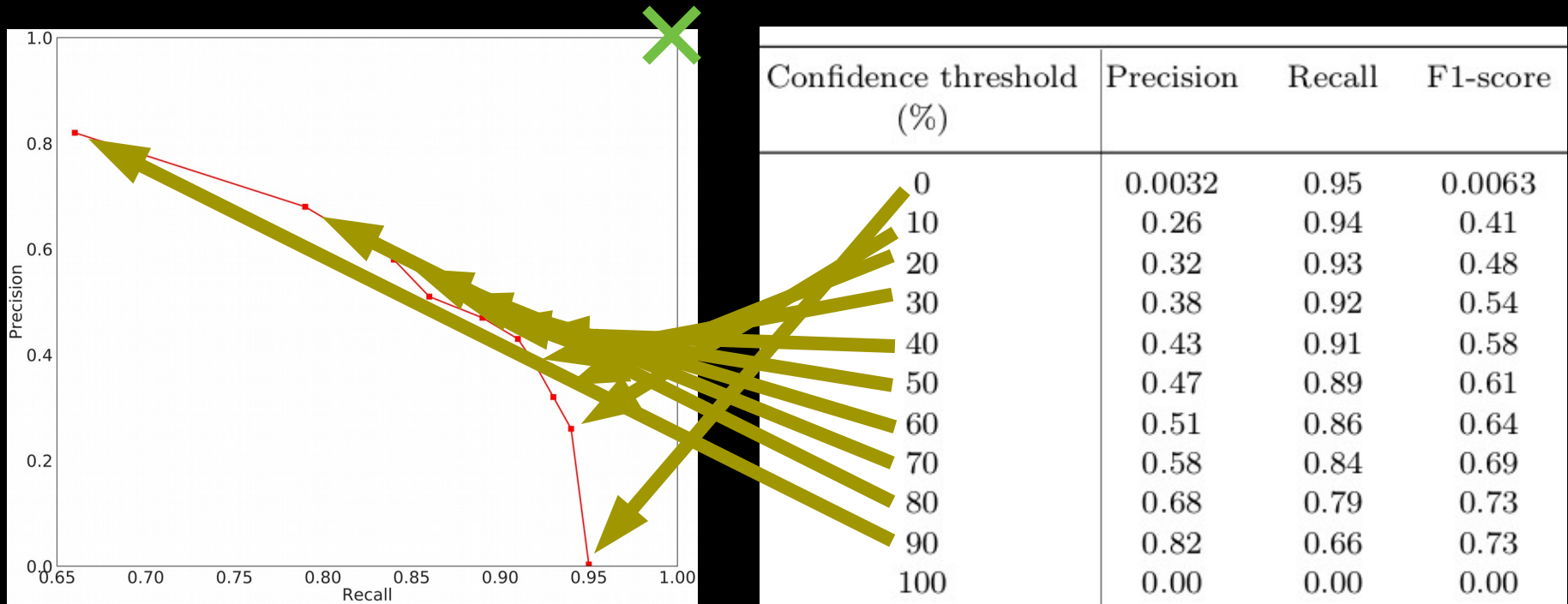






# Model Analysis on Test Set

- We use common evaluation metrics such as precision, recall and F1-score.
- We want a confidence score threshold that maximizes F1-score as a higher F1-score signifies a better balance between precision and recall.



# Summary

- We present a novel approach to detect galaxy clusters from coloured images.
- We could potentially discover many more galaxy clusters that have never been seen before at higher redshift or with lower mass.
- We also want to build upon our existing model by including methods to examine further intrinsic properties of galaxy clusters.

