Clusters at z > 1.5 from the SpARCS Infrared Cluster Survey

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X-ray



Gobat et al. (2011)

Rosati et al. (2004)

Sunyaev-Zel'dovich



Menanteau et al. (2011)



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Gladders & Yee (2005)

optical-NIR, MIR

SpARCS

Instead of the R-band, z'-band is used to go deeper in the optical.

By $z \sim 1.1$ the z'-band is no longer redward of the rest-frame 4000Å-break. Using the z'band and the [3.6]-band allow us to identify red galaxies and discover $z \approx 1$ galaxy cluster candidates.

Total area~45 deg², z'-band (CTIO, CFHT) and [3.6]-band (Spitzer). ~200 cluster candidates at $z \ge 1$, 15 spec. confirmed at z > 0.85 (2 at z > 1.6).

See: Wilson et al. (2009), Muzzin et al. (2009, 2012), Demarco et al. (2010a)



Papovich (2008), Papovich et al. (2010)

The Stellar-Bump Sequence method



See also: Muzzin's talk

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SpARCS J021524-034331 z = 1.004 Muzzin et al. (2012)

XLSSC 048 z = 1.00 Pacaud et al. (2007)

> XLSSC 029 z = 1.05 Pacaud et al. (2007)

XLSSC 046 z = 1.22 Bremer et al. (2006)

> XMM-LSS SWIRE FIELD FOV ~ 3 x 2 degrees zphot = 1.0 color slice

Muzzin et al, in prep





High Redshift Stellar-Bump Cluster Candidates:

 SpARCS J0331-2843:
 CDFS-44, Zphot~1.7

 SpARCS J0224.5-0323.5:
 XMM-113, Zphot~1.7

Multi-wavelength dataset:



FORS2 color-color selection for spectroscopy:

Class 1: SBS with z'<22.5 Class 2: SBS with z'>22.5 and MIPS detection Class 3: SBS with z'>22.5 and no MIPS detection Classes 4 to 6: in classes 1 to 3 and R>700 kpc Class 7: anything else with detection in z' and IRAC Class 8: anything else with detection in z' (FORS2)

Spectroscopic FORS2 observations



CDFS-44



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CDFS-44 (sample spectra)



Members: 12 Emission line: 10

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CDFS-44



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Members within 2 Mpc from BCG. Velocity distribution consistent with one single gaussian (KS test). There is no evidence for substructure (DS test).

$$Z_{cl} = 1.6259^{+0.0020}_{-0.0017}$$

$$\sigma_v = 695_{-192}^{+84}$$
 km/s

Large Scale Structure around CDFS-44



XMM-113

CIG J0218.3-510 z = 1.625 Papovich et al. (2010) XMM-LSS SWIRE FIELD FOV ~ 3 x 2 degrees zphot = 1.6 color slice

SpARCS J022427-032355

z = 1.623

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30″→0.25 Mpc



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XMM-113 (sample spectra)



Members: 12 Emission line: 8

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XMM-113 (sample spectra)



Members: 12 Emission line: 8

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XMM-113



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Members within 1.5 Mpc from BCG. Velocity distribution consistent with one single gaussian (KS test). There is no significant evidence for substructure (DS test). <z>=1.633, σv≤400 km/s.

$$Z_{c|} = 1.6332^{+0.0010}_{-0.0010}$$

$$\sigma_v = 393^{+19}_{-101} \text{ km/s}$$

Conclusions

• The Stellar-Bump Sequence (SBS) method is an efficient and effective algorithm to find z>1.5 clusters.

• The SBS algorithm is unbiased against lower-mass and more common clusters, allowing us to find structures that will become Coma-like clusters by z=0.

• Two clusters spectroscopically confirmed at z~1.63 (CDFS-44 [12] and XMM-113 [12]).

• These clusters have velocity dispersions $\sigma_v < 700$ km/s and their cores are populated by galaxies with on-going star formation. These systems may be representative of "more common" clusters that will become Coma-like by z=0.

Next: to survey the surrounding (<10') region around clusters in search for groups and filaments (pre-infall cluster pop.)