

The Millennium Gas Simulations

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Conclusions

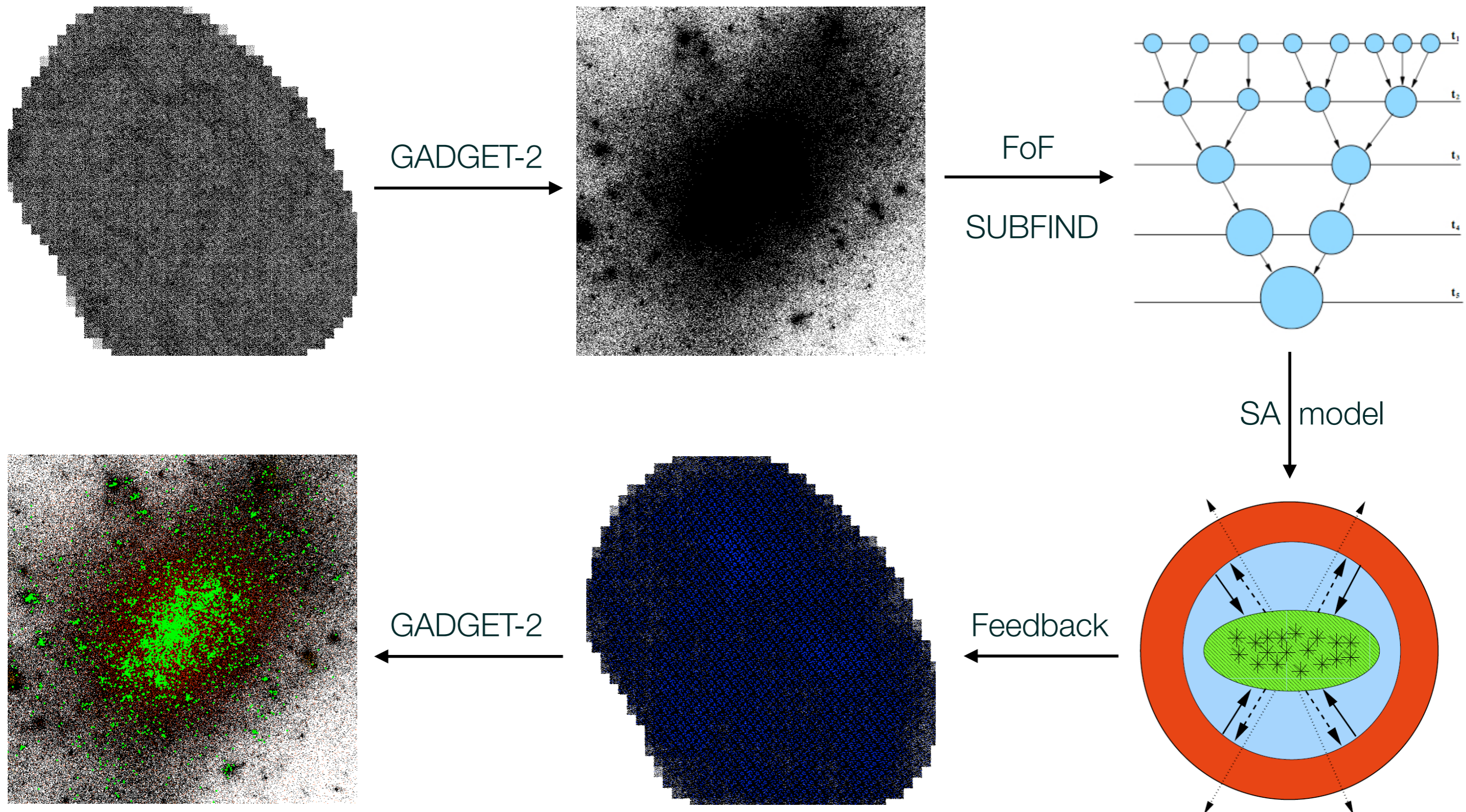
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The **old** Millennium Gas Simulations

- Millennium Simulation:
 - Tracks CDM only (+SA galaxies)
 - $N=2160^3$ particles
 - $L=500 h^{-1}\text{Mpc}$ (comoving)
 - WMAP1 cosmology ($\sigma_8=0.9$)
- Millennium Gas Simulation
 - Same large-scale structure as MS
 - Same volume as MS
 - Same cosmology as MS
 - Fewer (10^9) particles than MS
 - But also tracks gas (using SPH)
- Three models:
 - GO: **gravity only**
entropy generation through shocks only
 - PC: **preheating plus cooling**
gas is pre-heated to entropy floor of 200 keV cm^2 at $z=4$
 - FO: **feedback only (no cooling)**
SN+AGN feedback using SA galaxies —
for selected clusters only
- See papers by:
 - Hartley et al. 2008 (X-ray L-T relation)
 - Stanek et al. 2010 (Scaling relations)
 - Short et al. 2011 (Evolution of scaling rel.)
 - Young et al. 2011 (Baryon fractions)
 - Kay et al. in prep (SZ scaling relations)

Combining semi-analytics with simulations

Chris Short, Peter Thomas, 2009, ApJ, 704, 915



The feedback model

- Type II supernova feedback:

$$\Delta E_{\text{ejected}} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\text{halo}} v_{\text{SN}}^2 \Delta M_* - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\text{disk}} v_{\text{vir}}^2 \Delta M_*$$

Total energy available Energy used to reheat cold
disk gas

- AGN feedback:

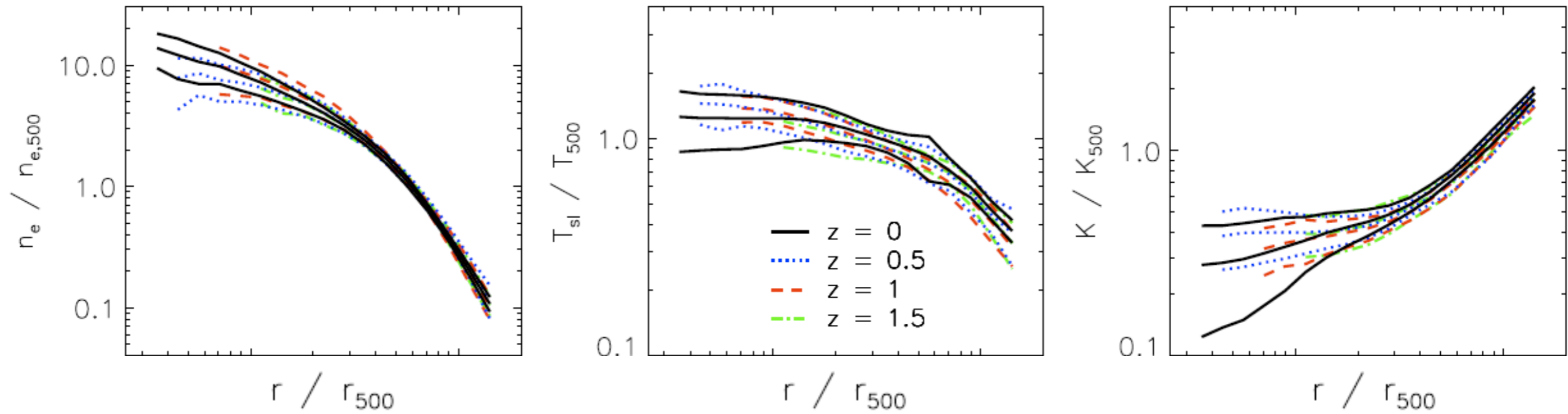
- Adopt the Bower et al. (2008) AGN feedback prescription used in GALFORM
- Available heating energy is given by:

$$\Delta E_{\text{BH}} = \min \begin{cases} 0.1 \Delta M_{\text{BH}} c^2 & \text{Radio mode} \\ \epsilon \Delta E_{\text{Edd}} & \text{Quasar mode} \end{cases}$$

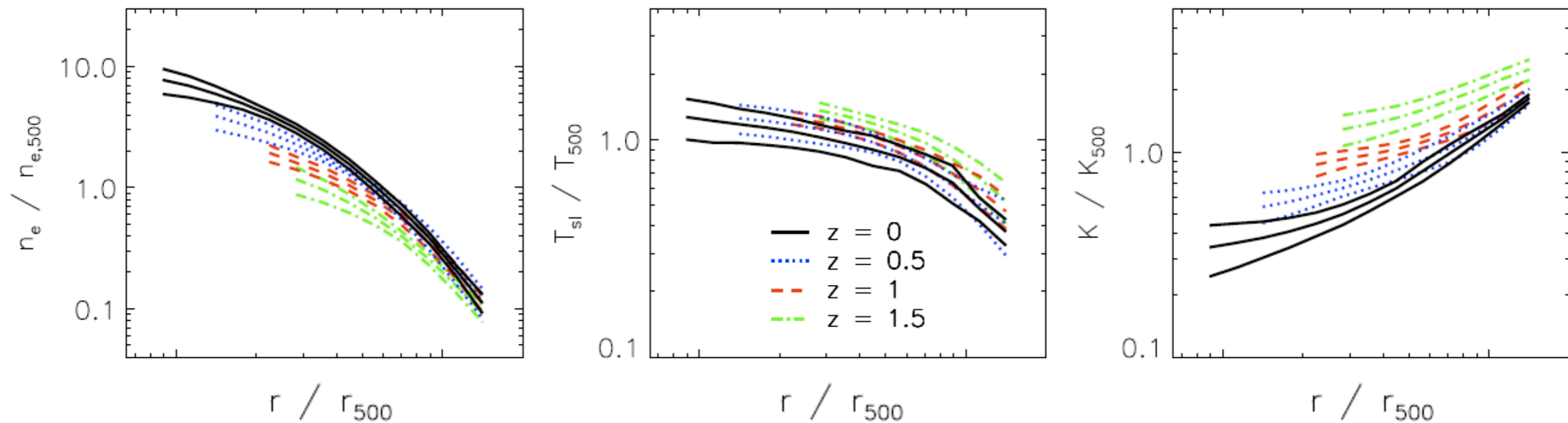
where $\epsilon = 0.02$ is the disk structure parameter

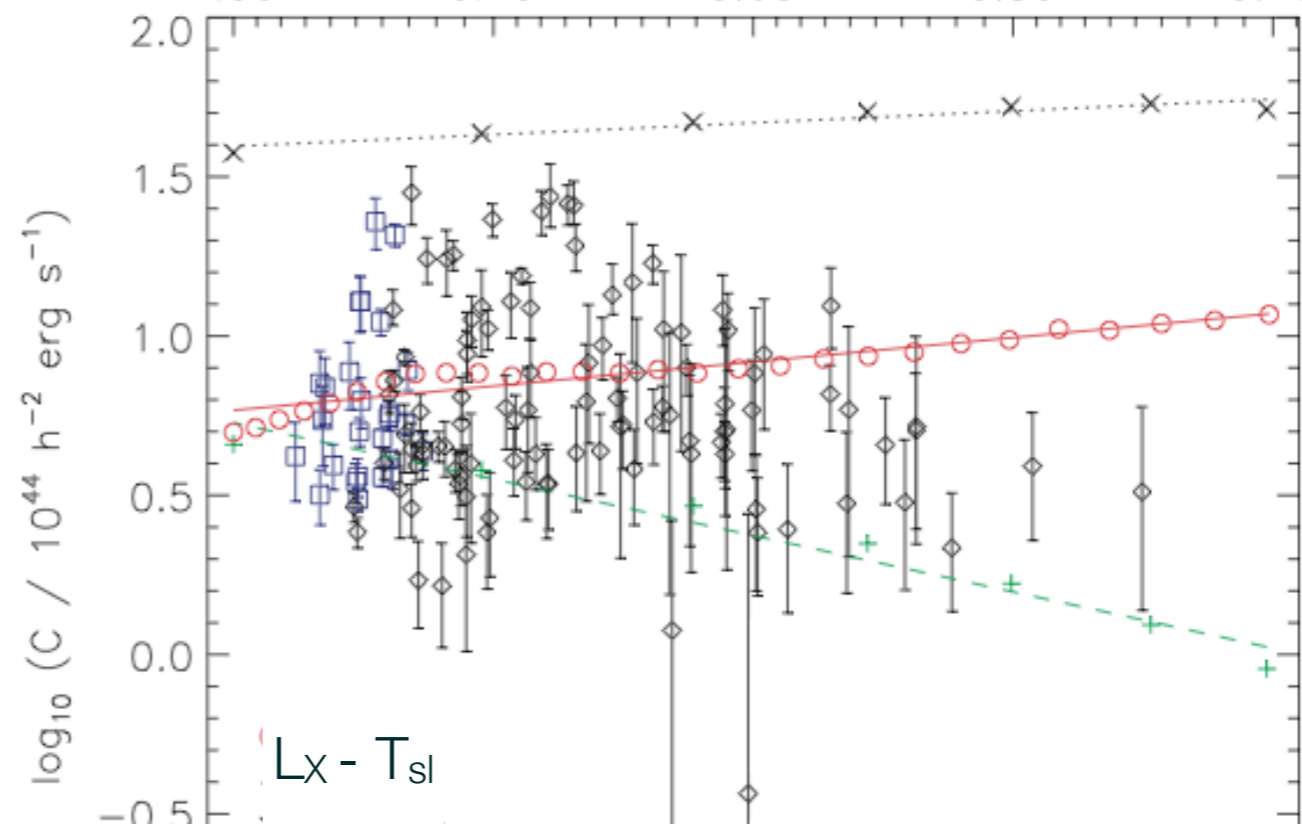
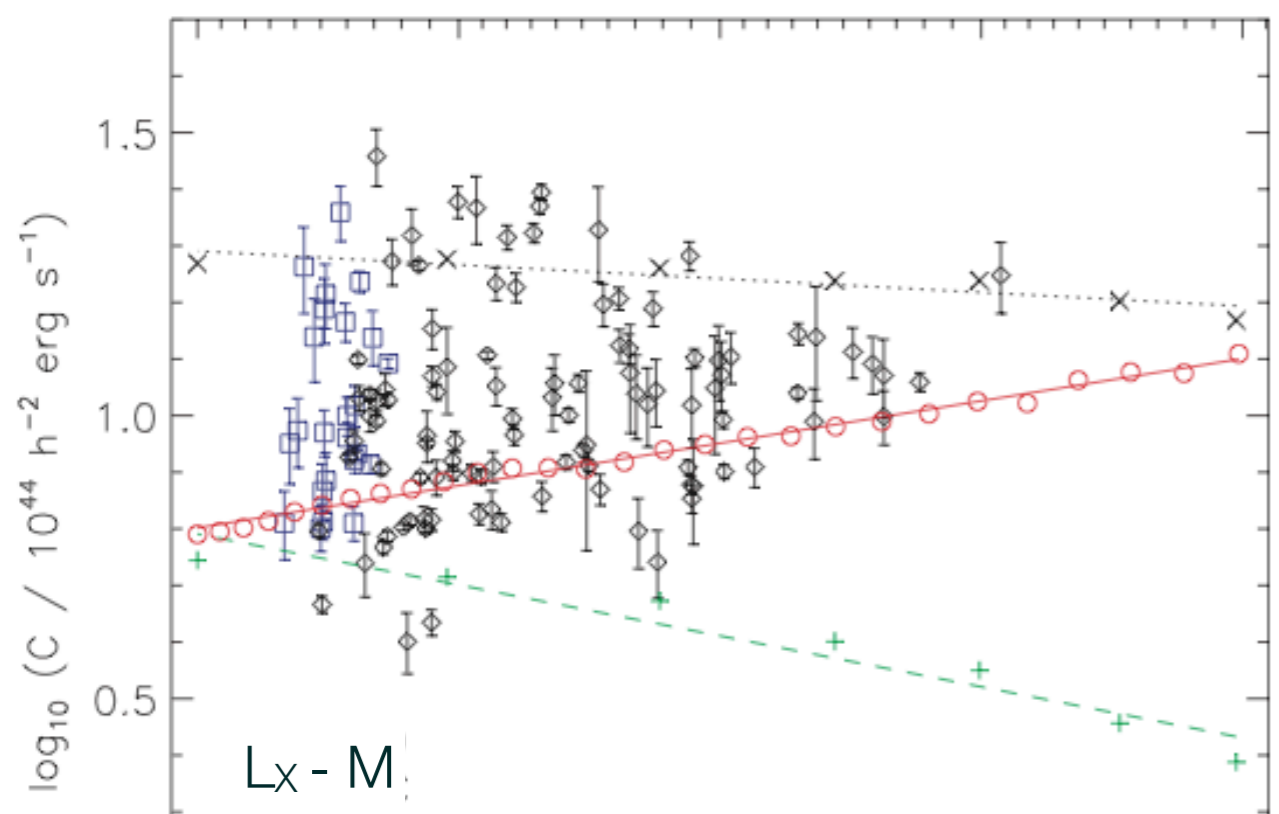
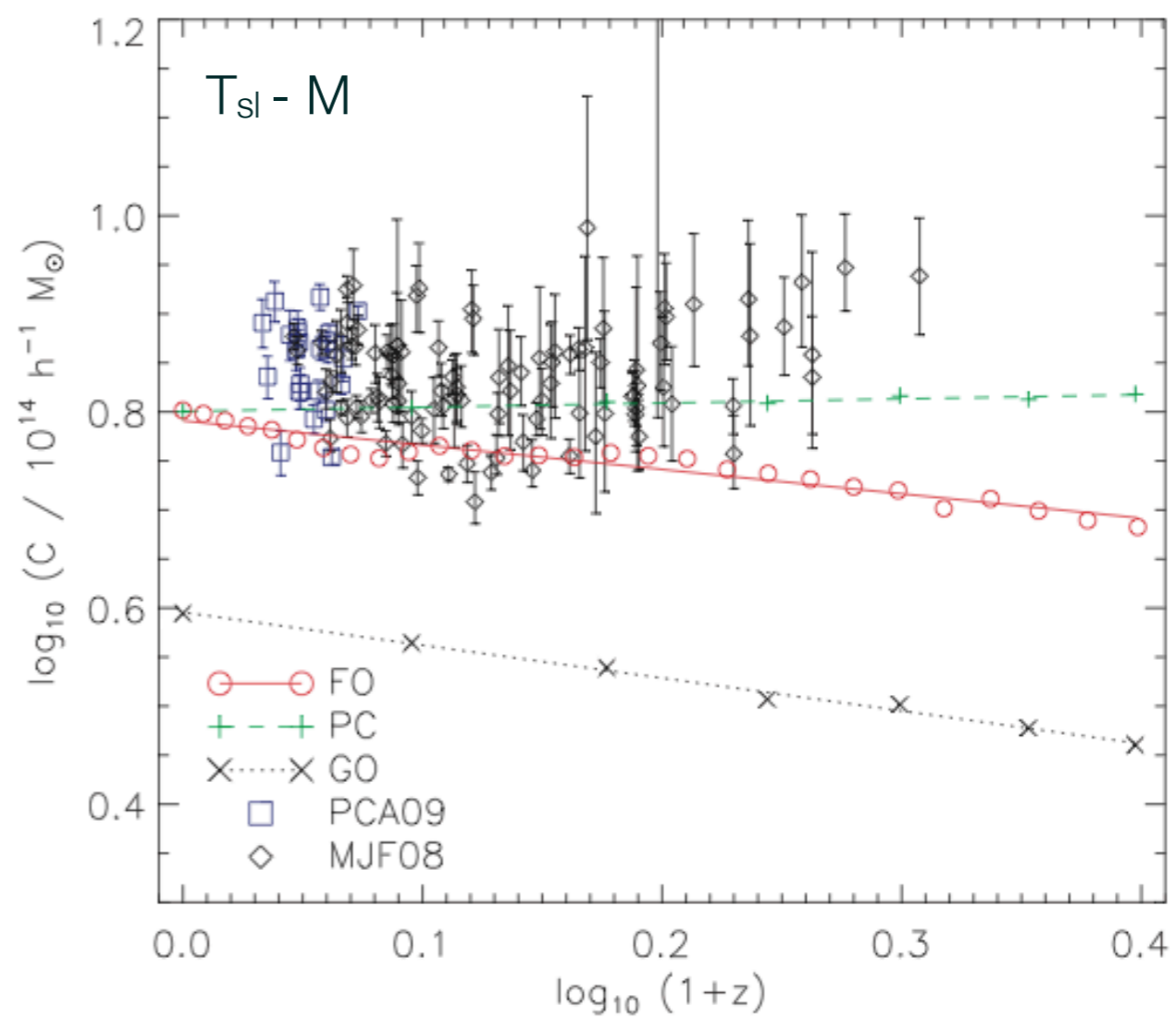
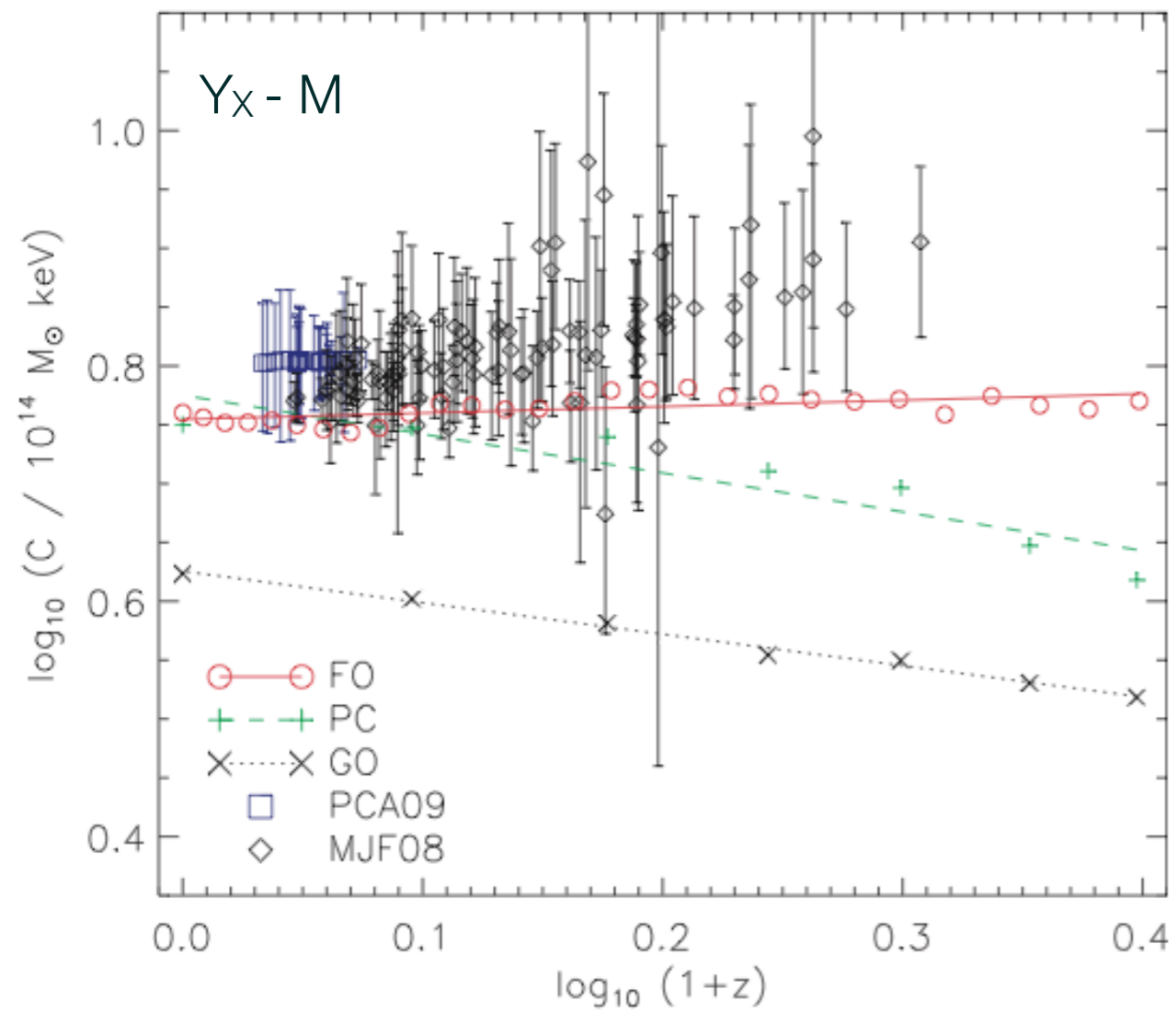
Evolution of profiles, Short et al 2010, MNRAS, 408, 2213

Feedback



Preheating





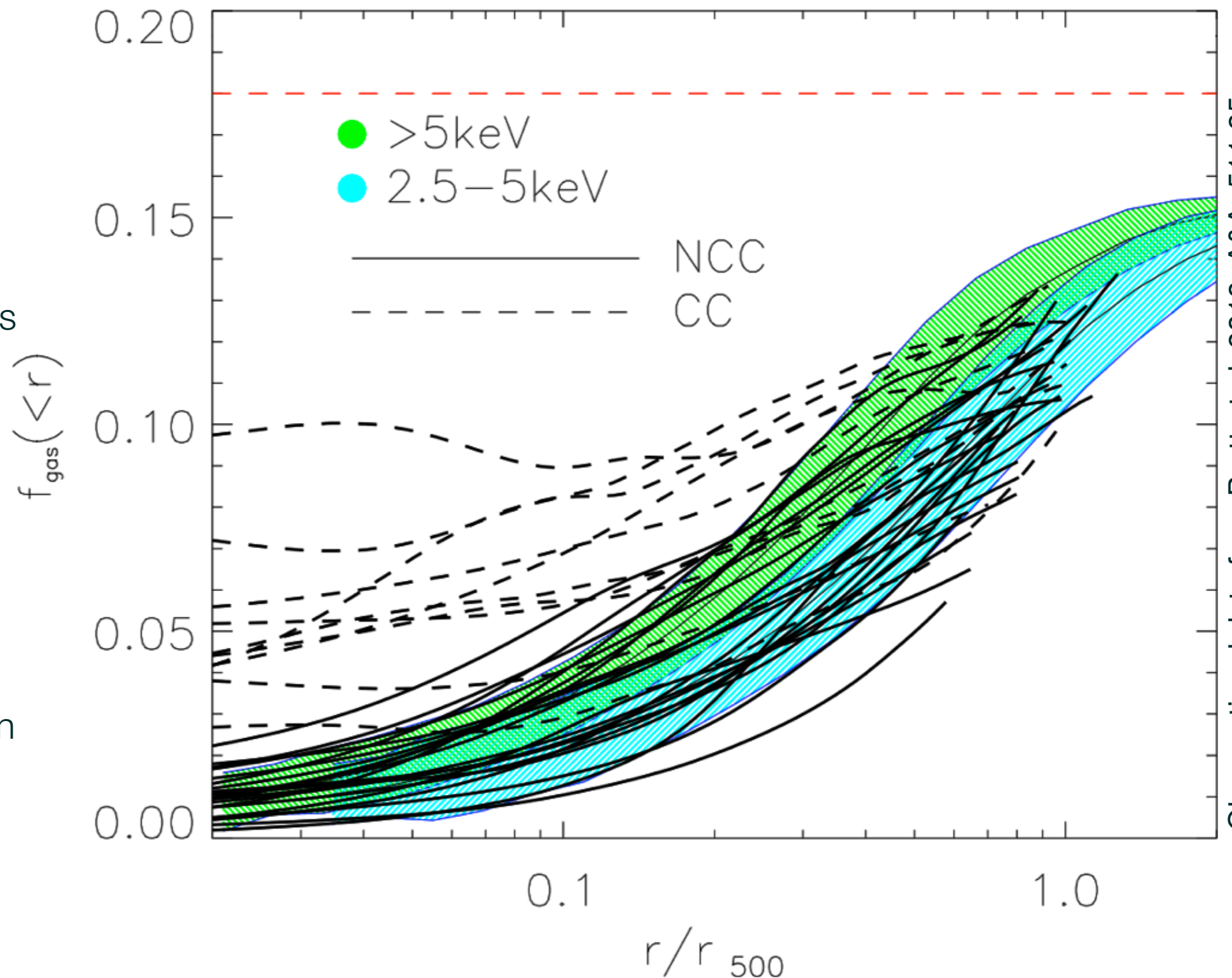
Evolution of the baryon fraction - ruling out preheating

Owain Young, Peter Thomas, Chris Short, Frazer Pearce, 2011, MNRAS, 413, 691



We resimulate clusters from the Millennium simulation using a variety of physical models for entropy generation.

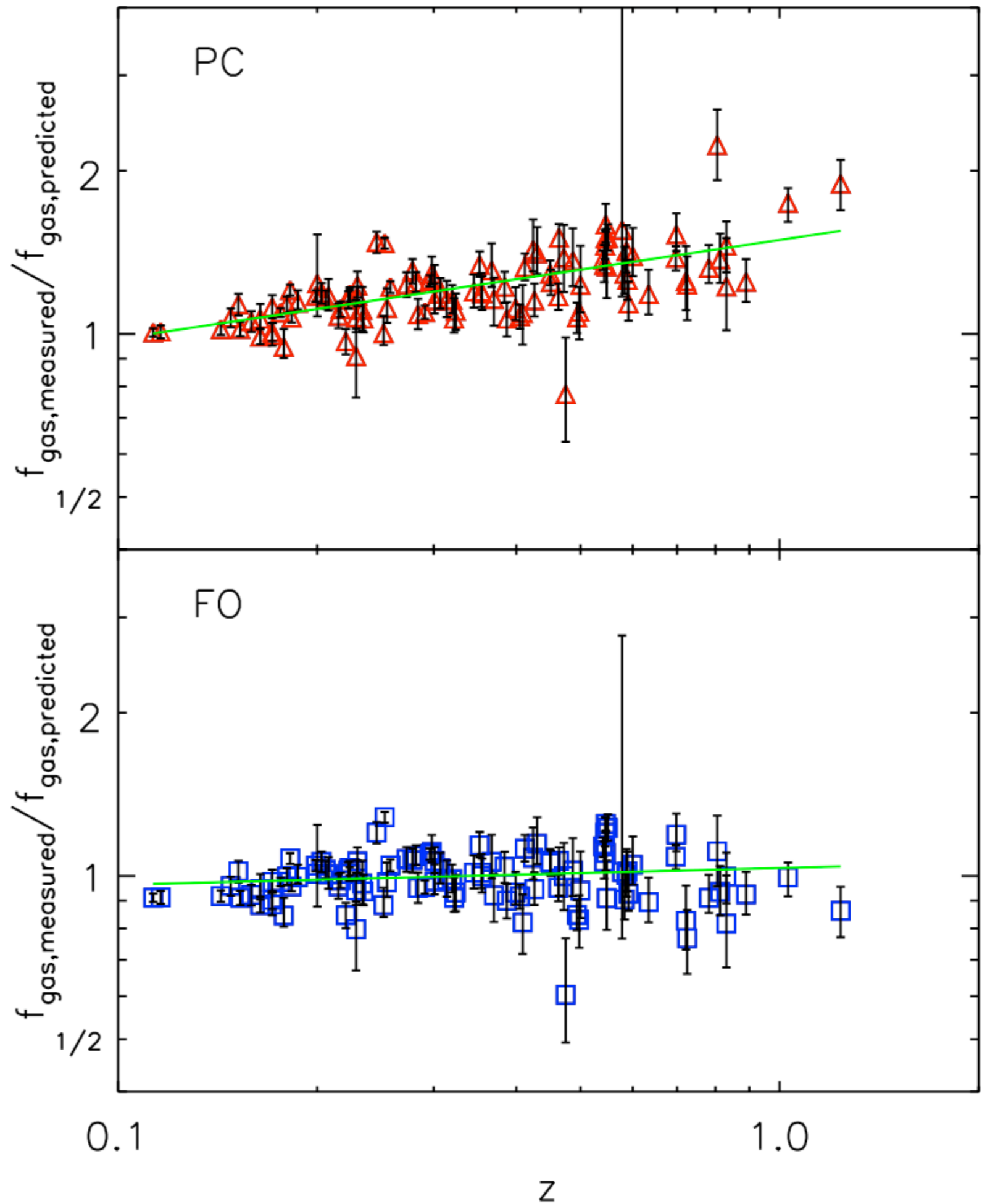
Both **preheating** and **feedback** models match the gas fraction profiles of non-cool-core (NCC) clusters.

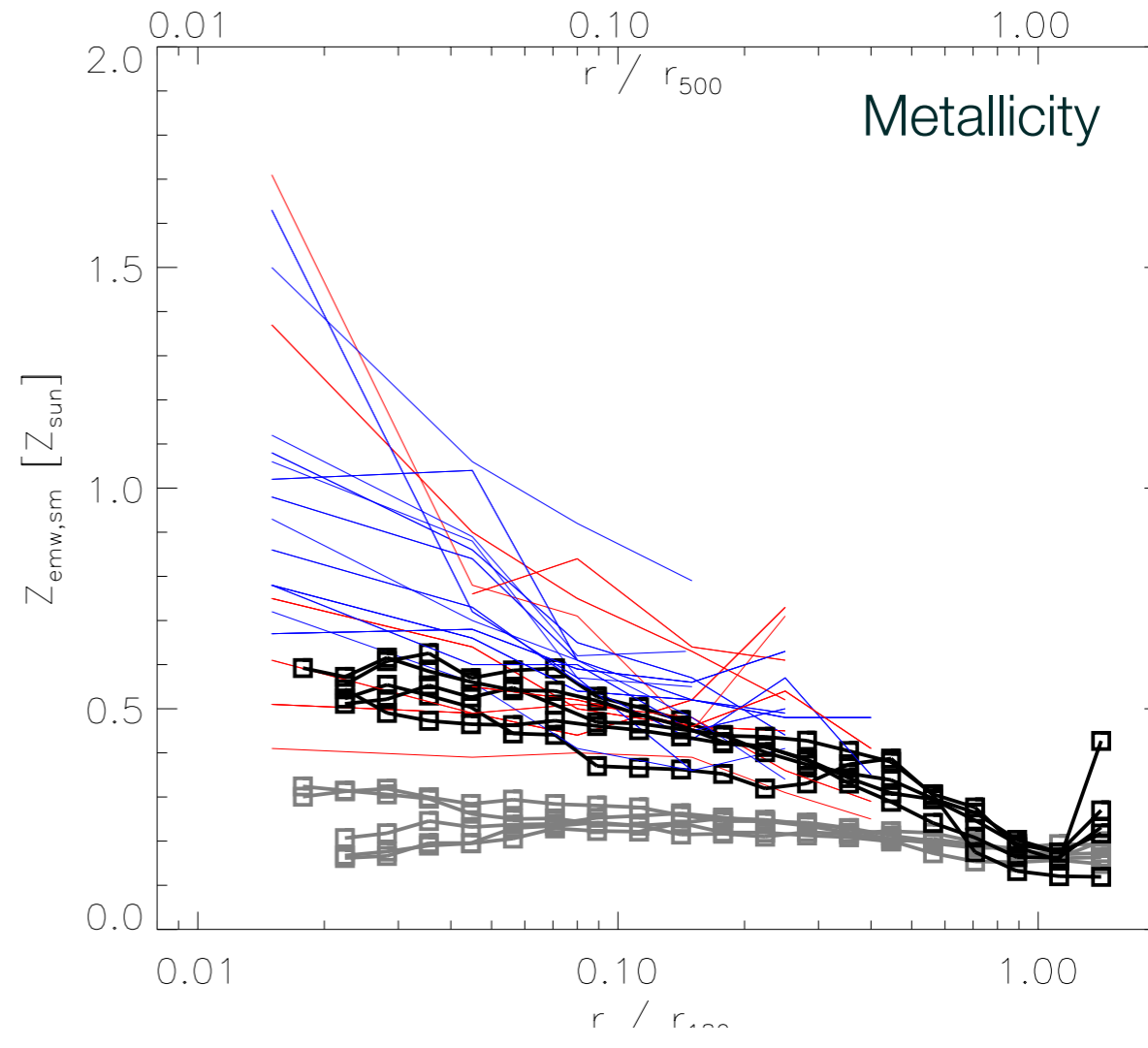
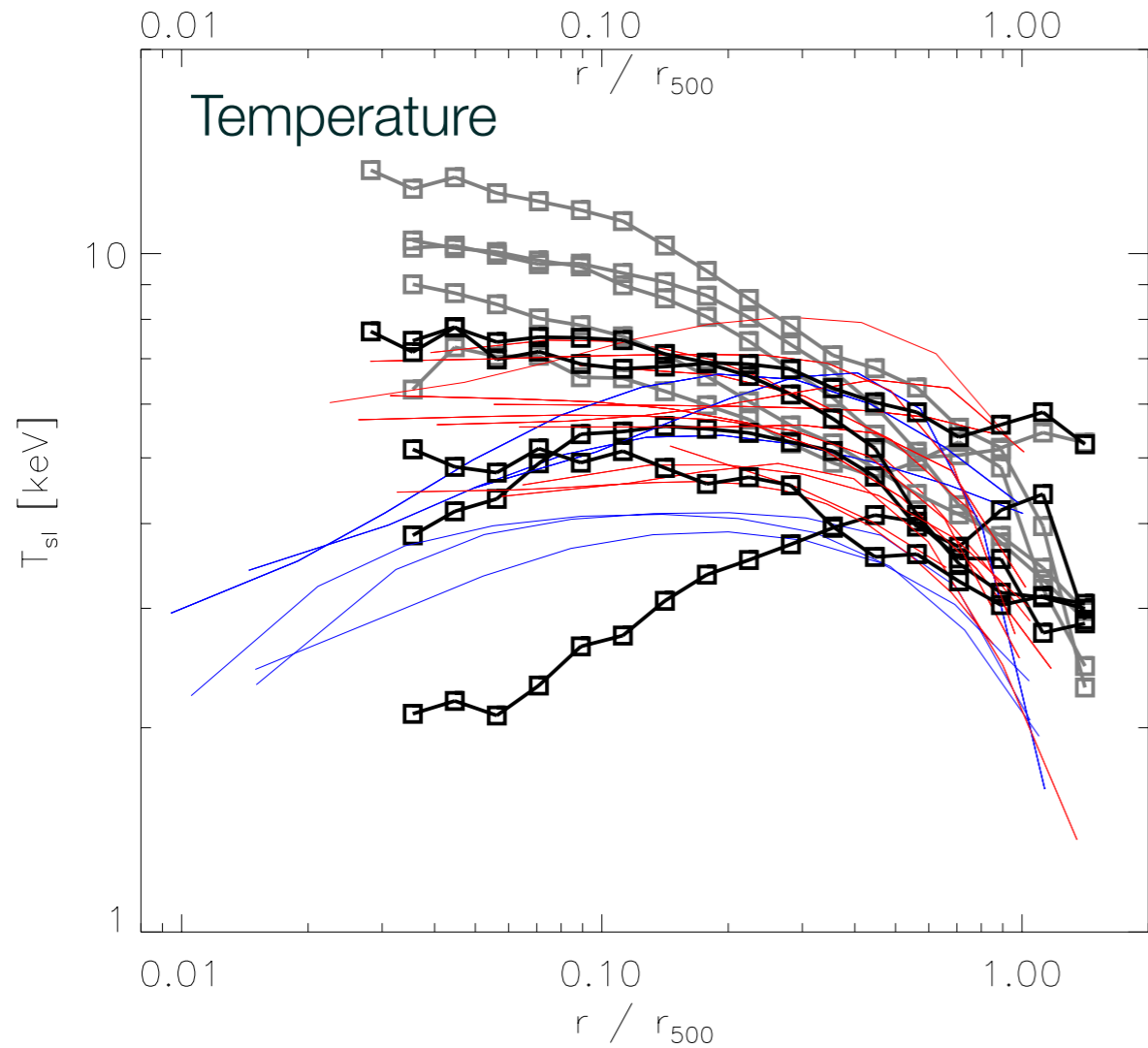
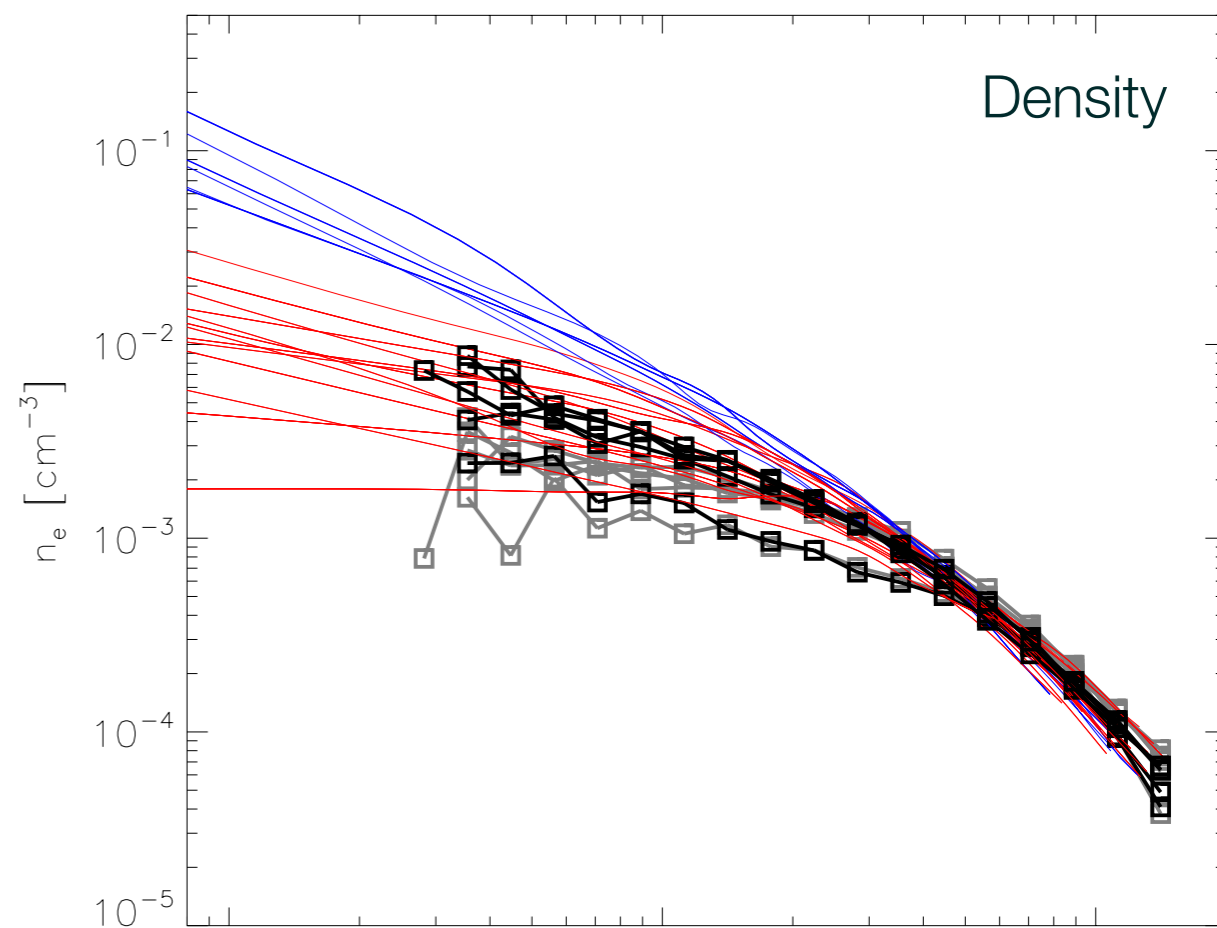
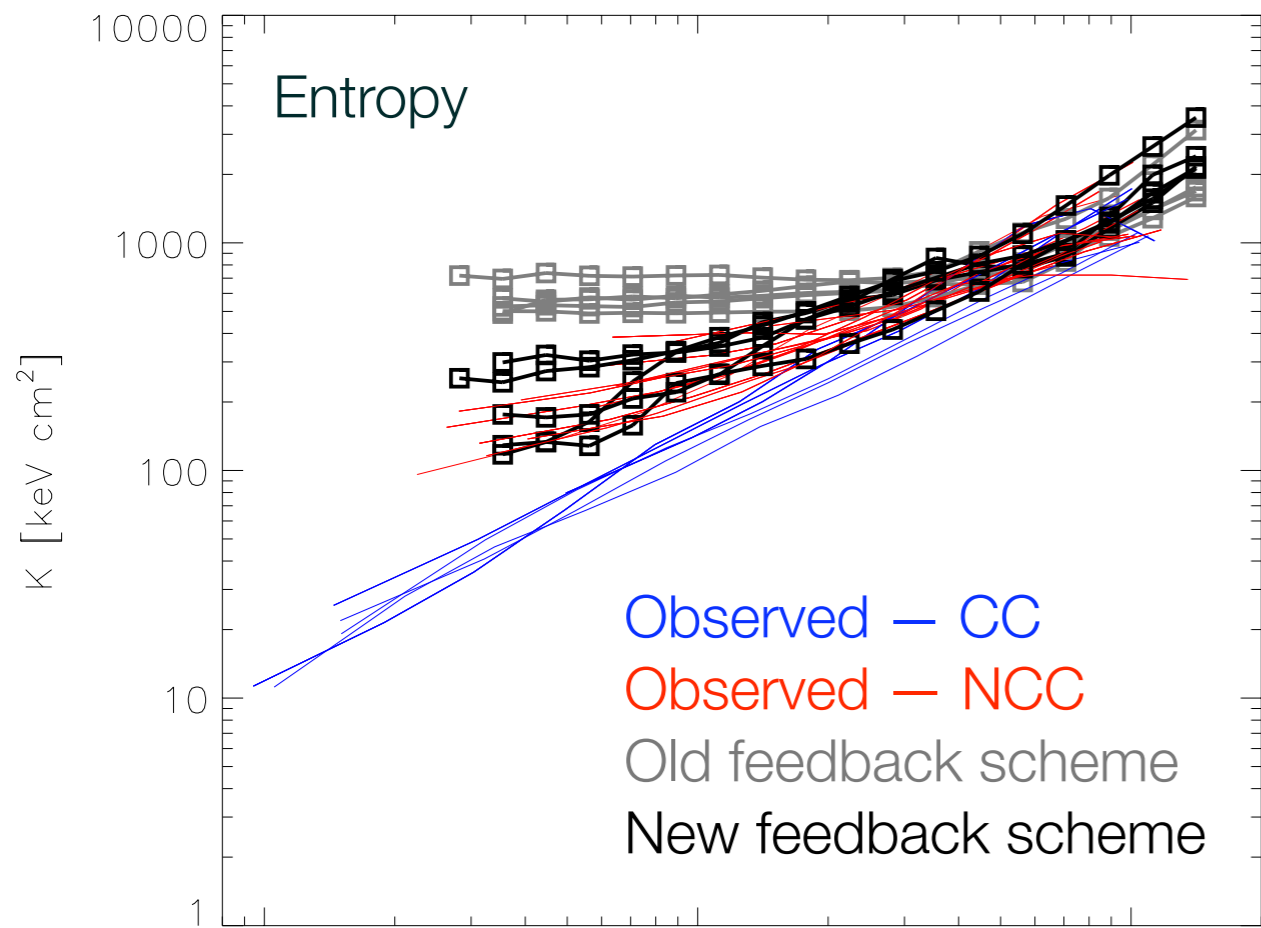


This figure shows the ratio of the observed to predicted gas fractions within r_{500} .

The **feedback** (FO) model is consistent with a constant value of unity. However, this is ruled out for the **preheating** (PC) model with high significance.

This argues strongly against a preheating model for entropy generation in the intracluster medium.





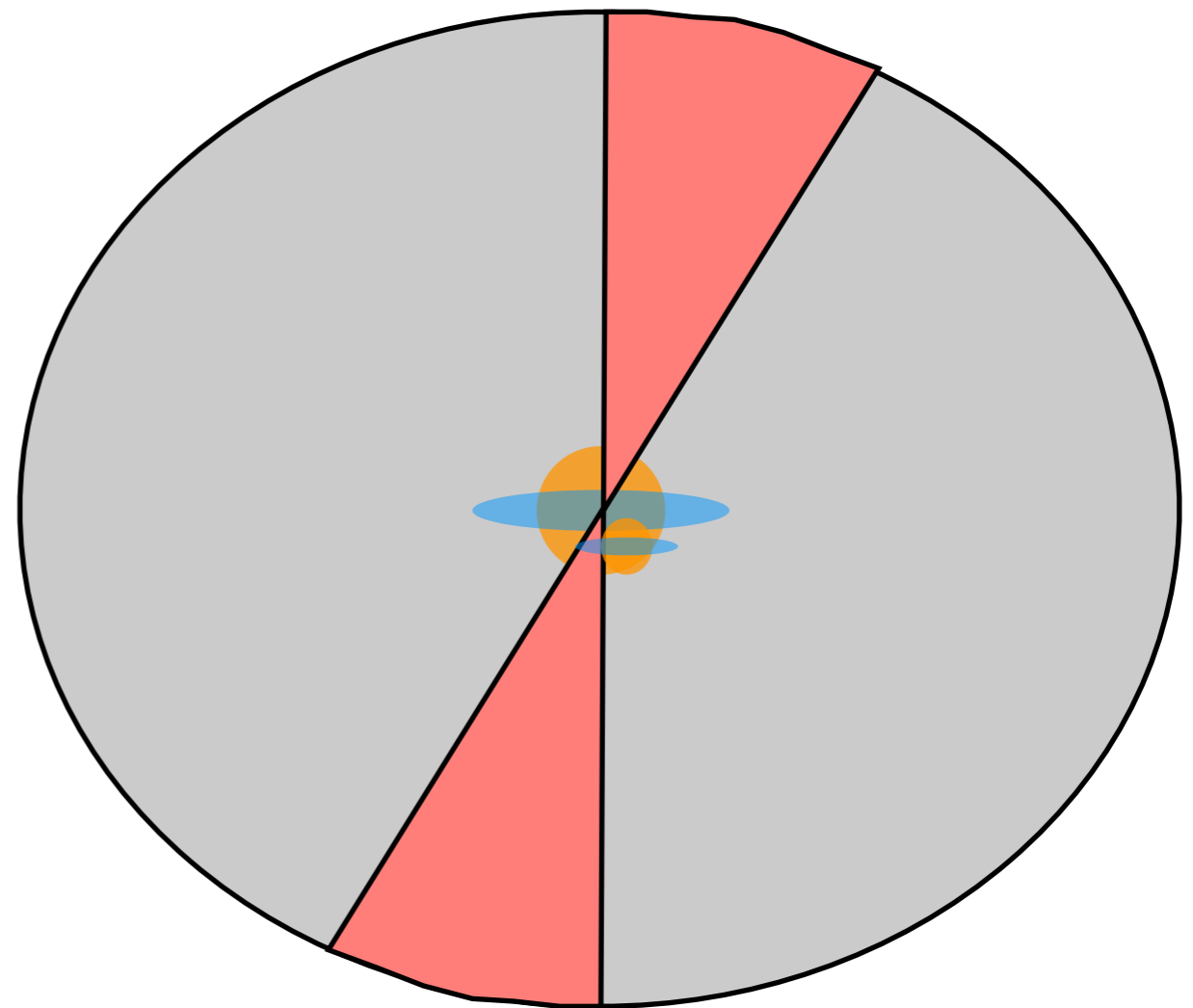
An improved feedback mechanism

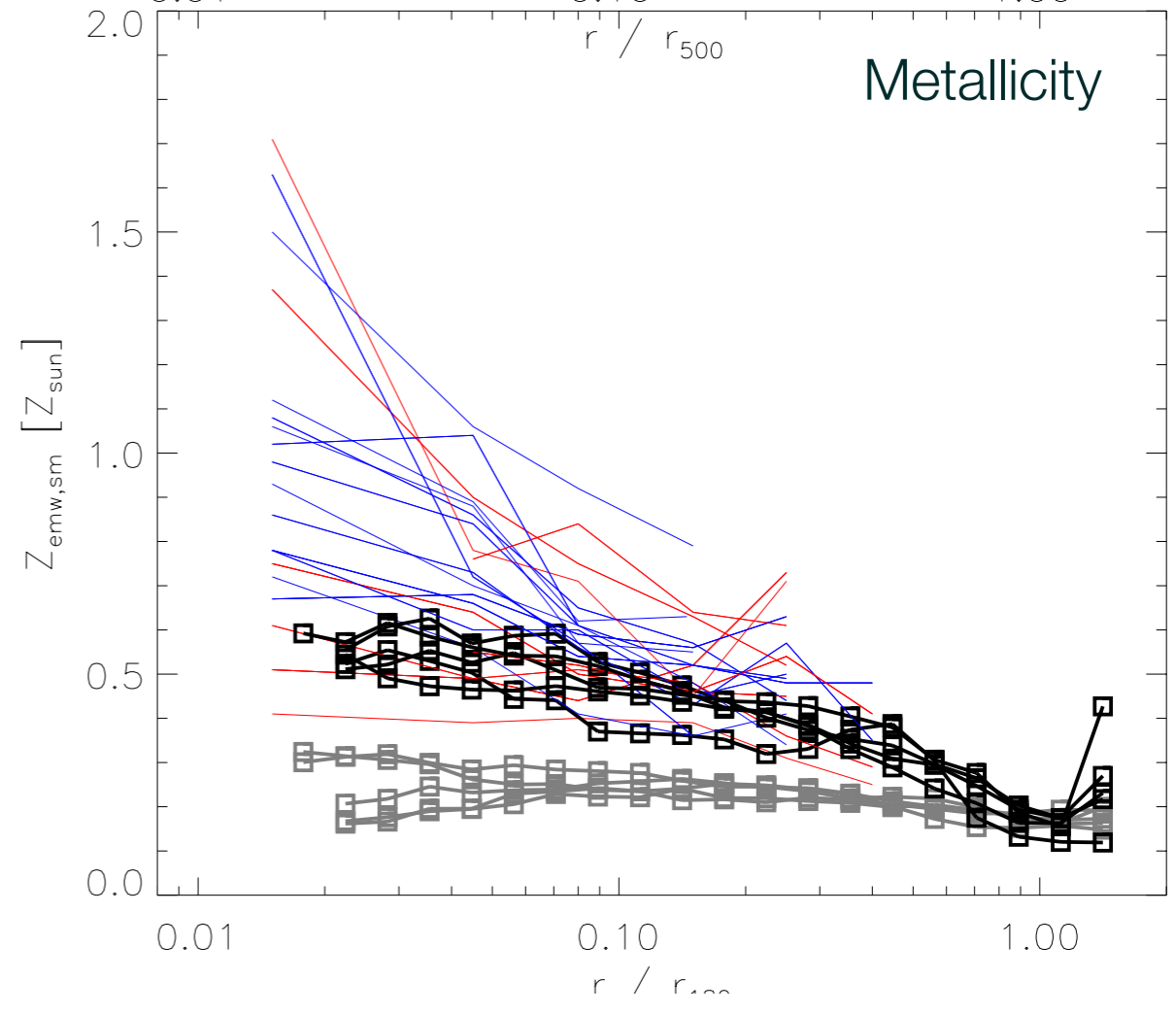
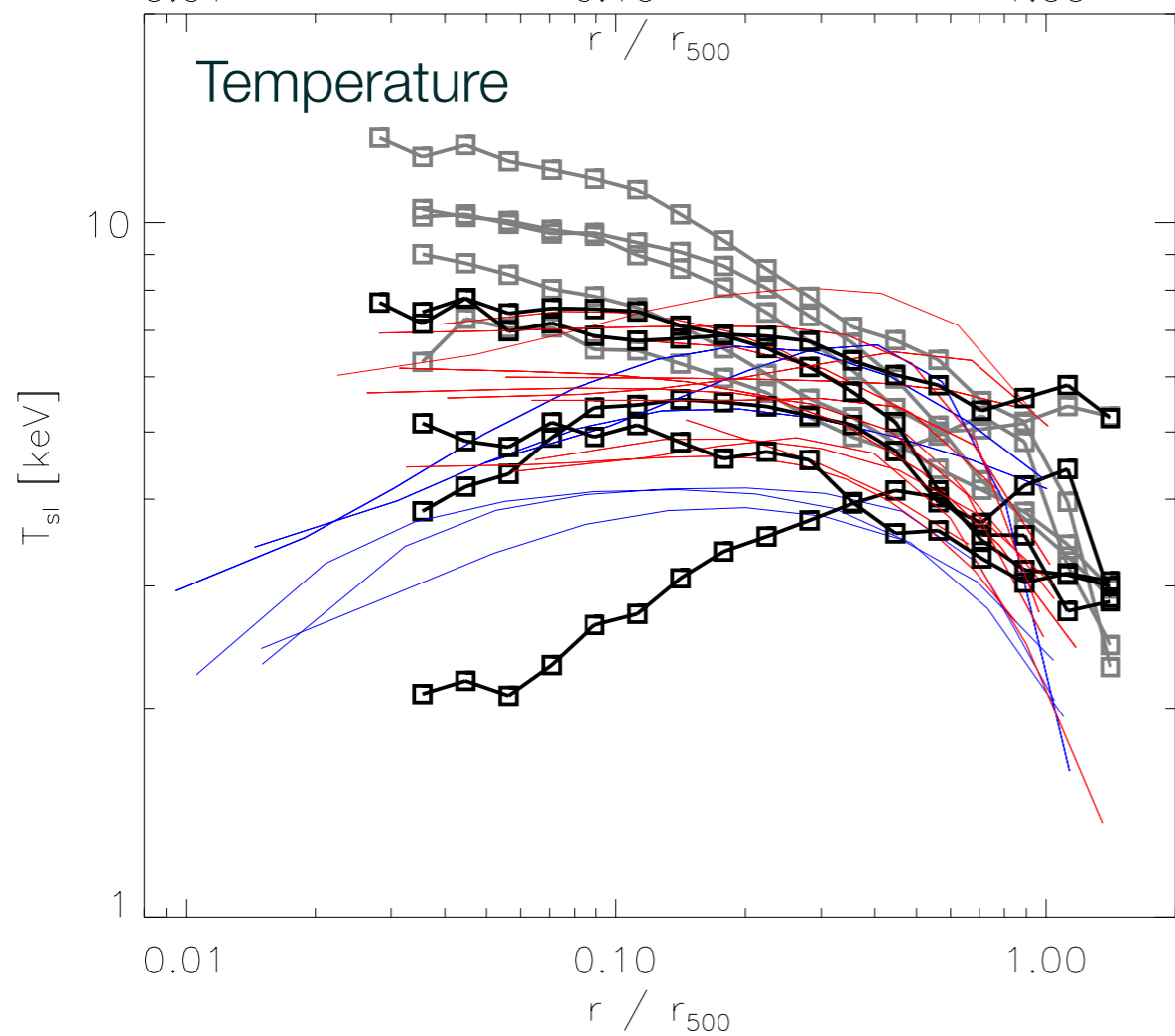
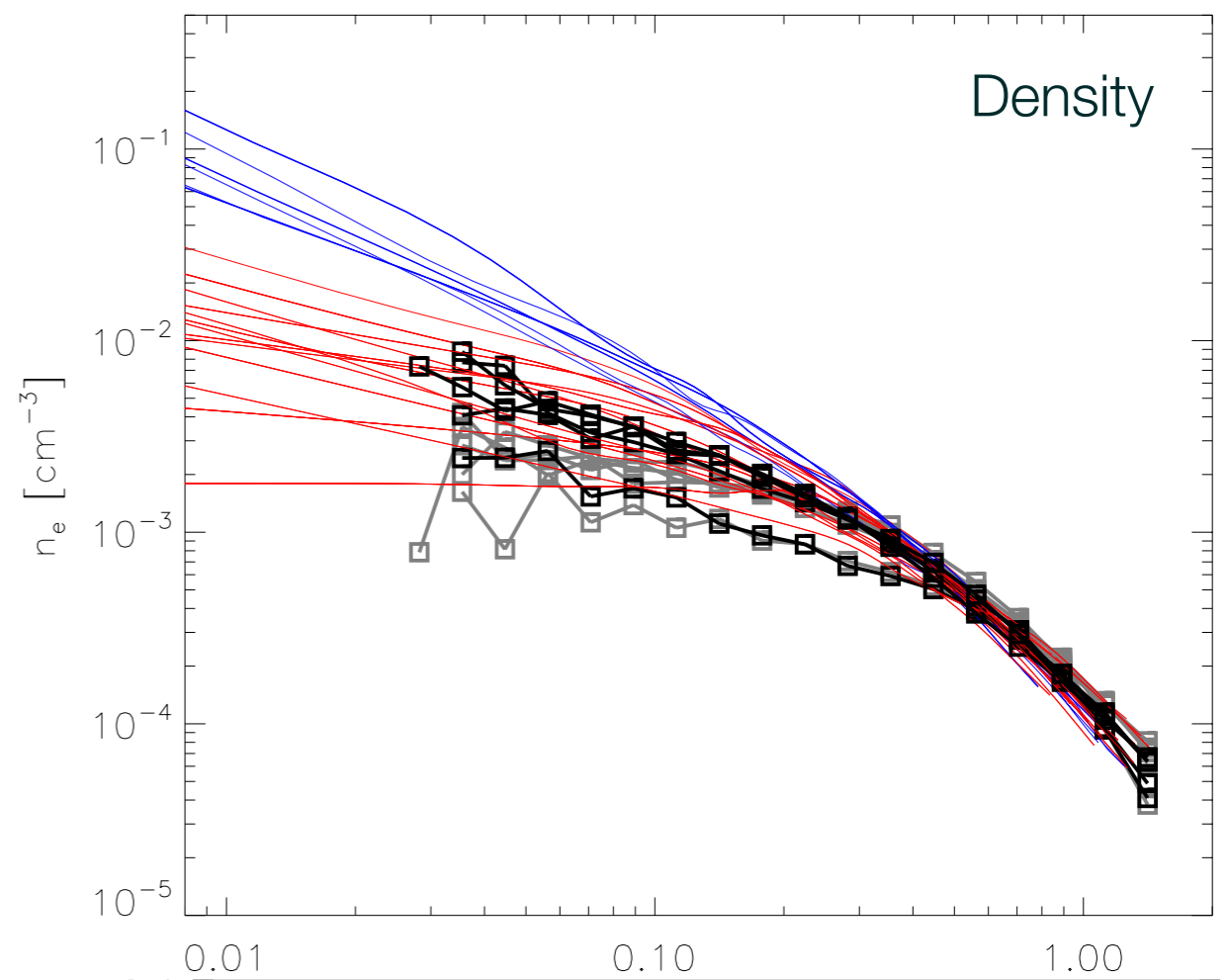
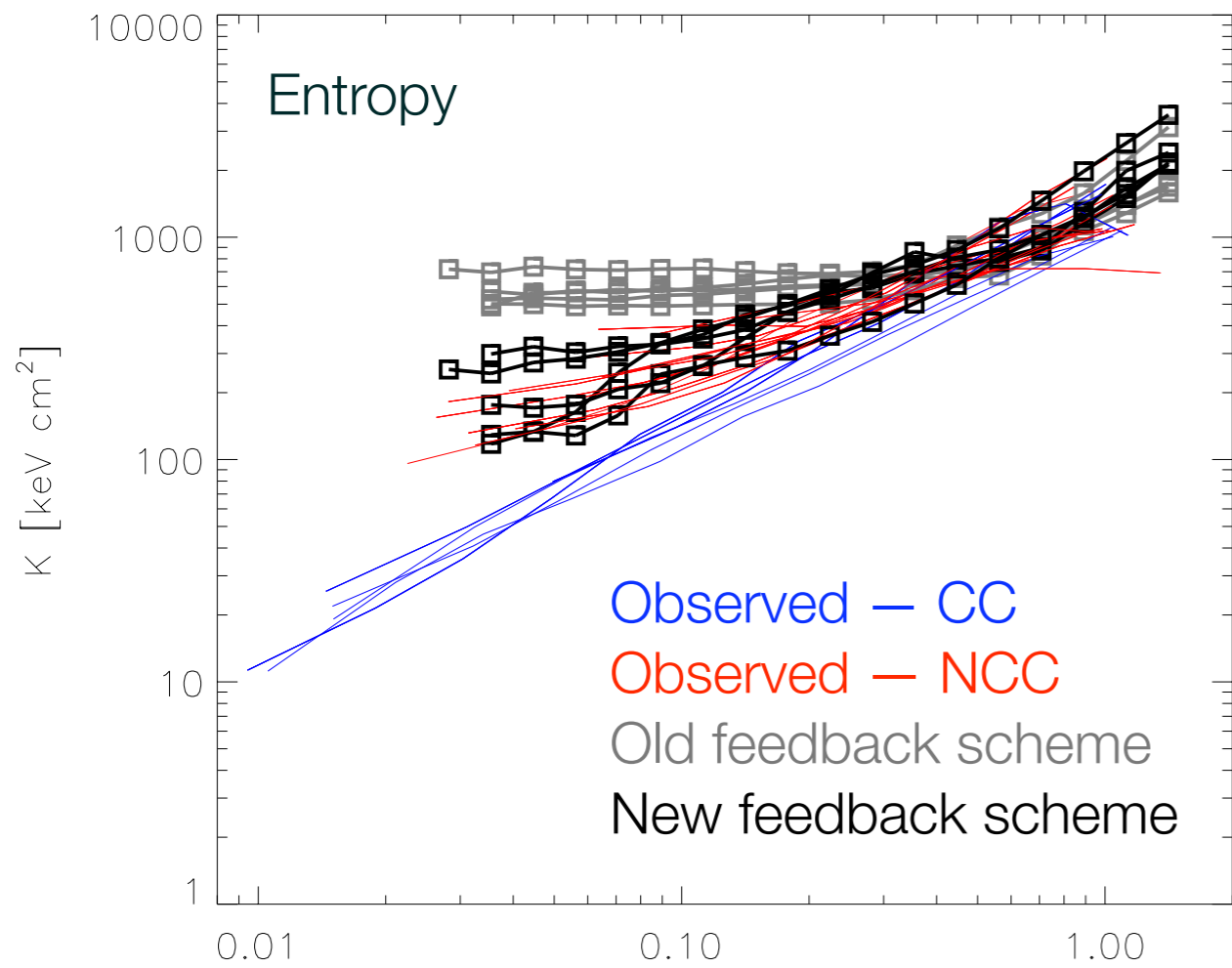
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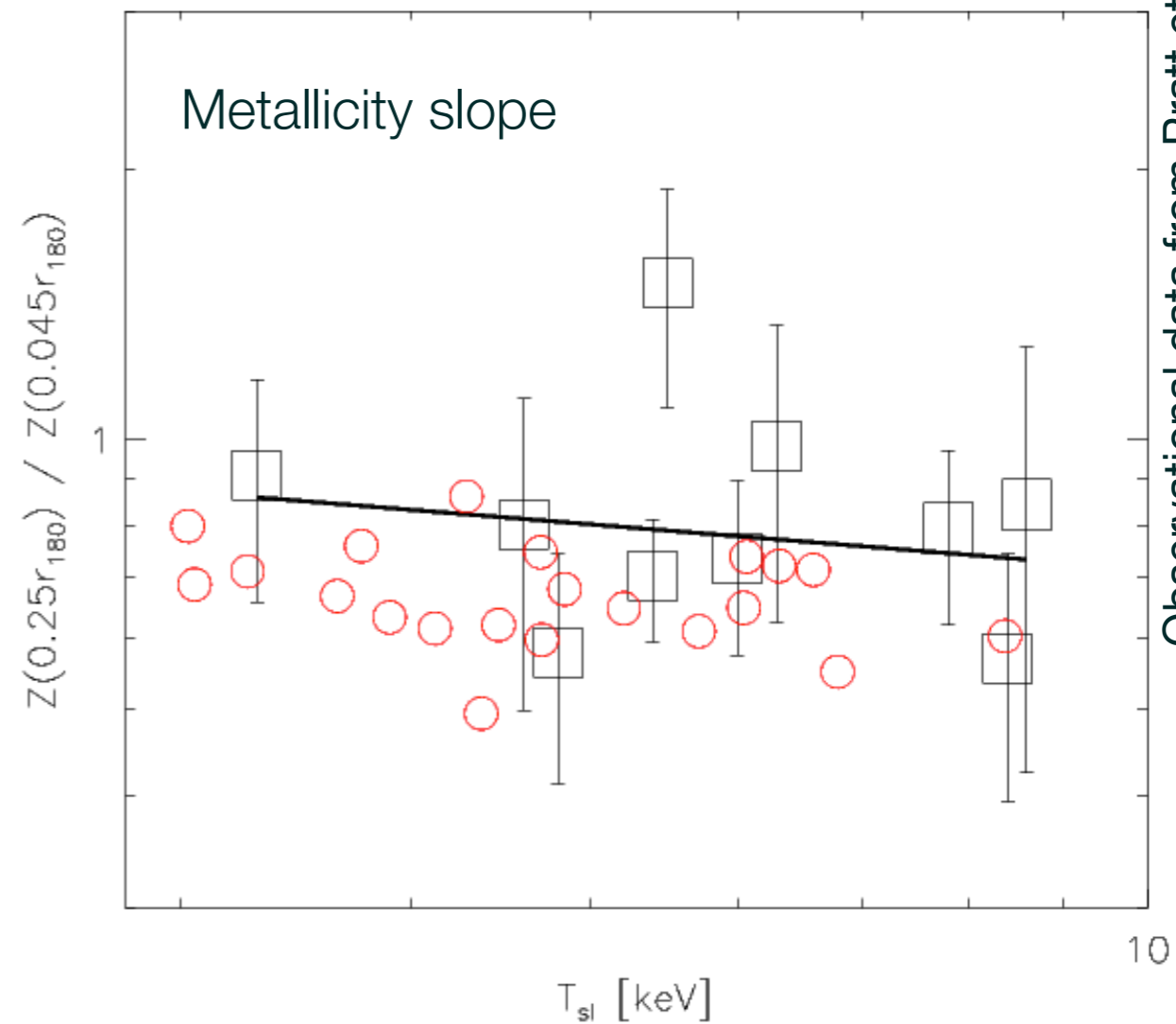
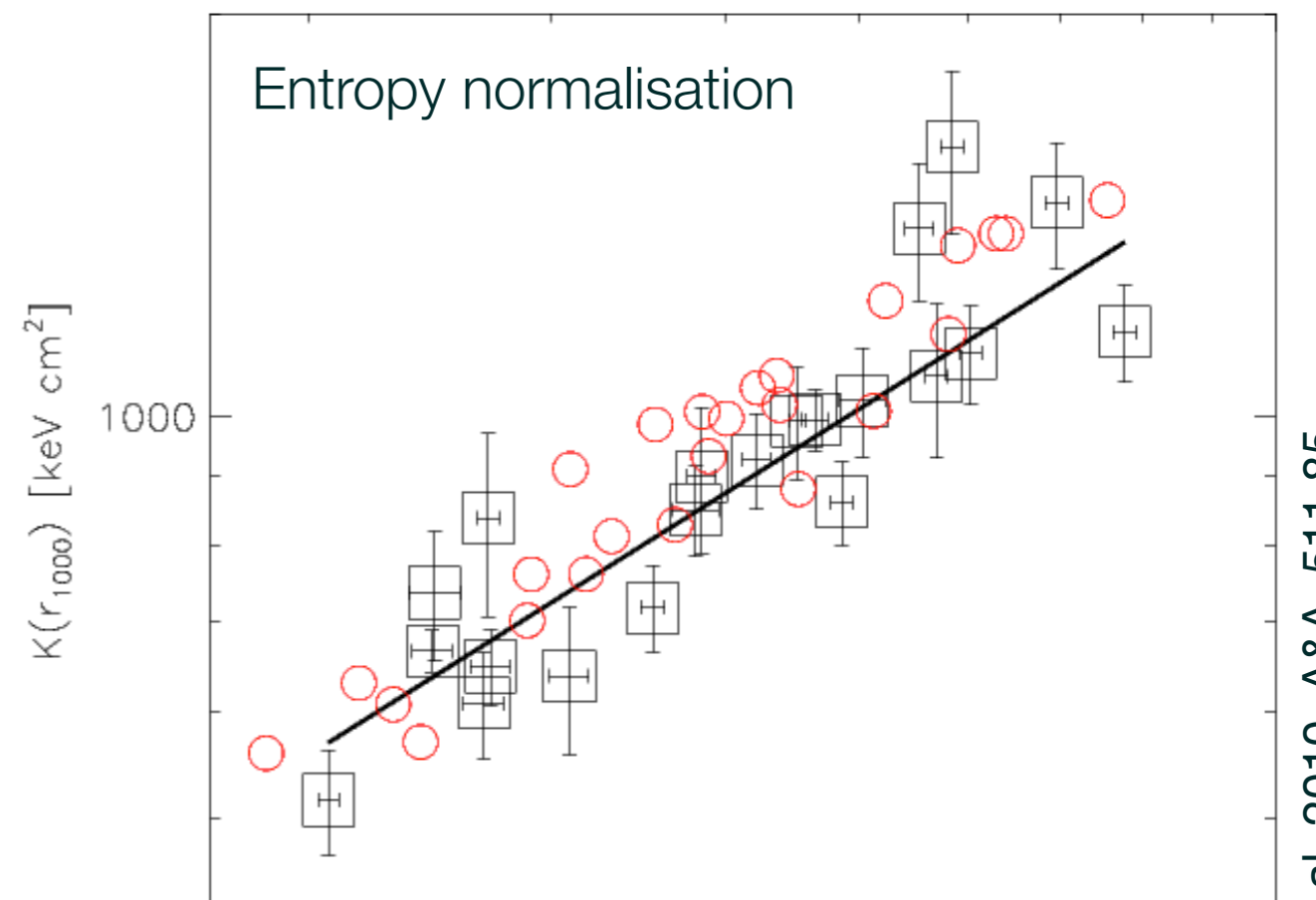
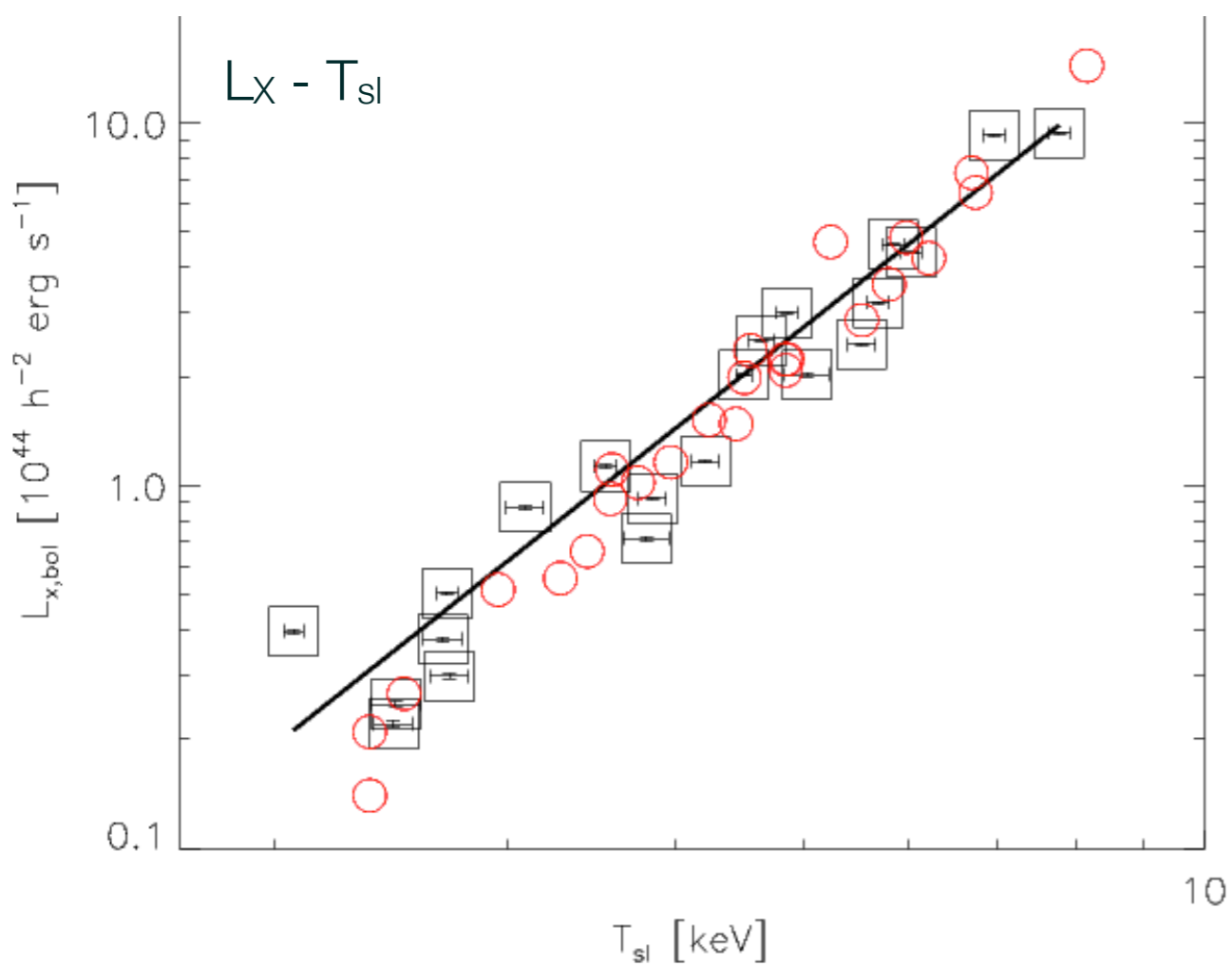
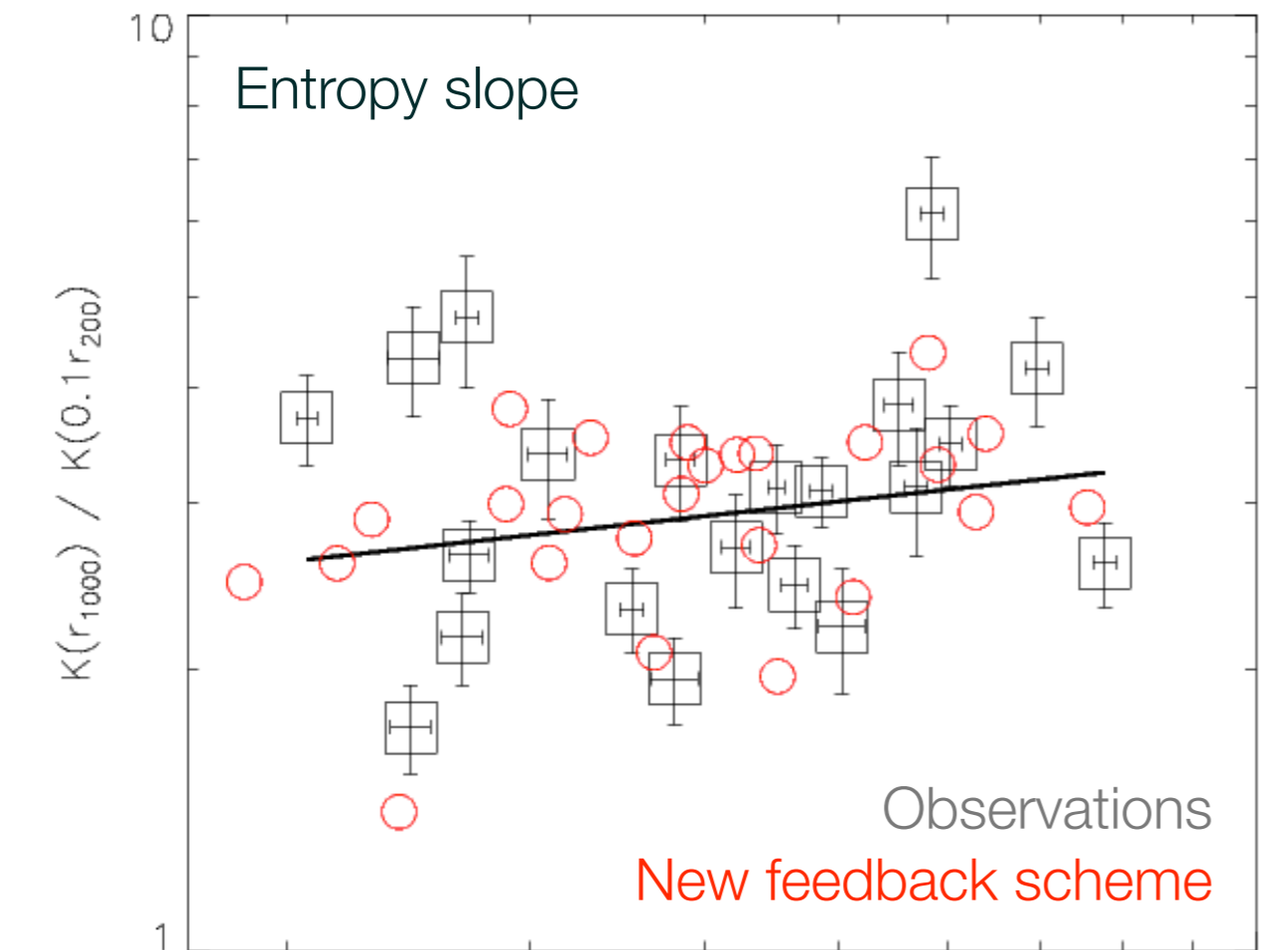
- Heating dominated by AGN.
- Radio jet/bubble affects only a fraction of particles
- Heating occurs with a duty cycle of 10^8 yr

- SNR important for injection of metals
- In clusters most metals are accreted
— so inject within R_{vir}

- Optimal parameters:
 - Heating efficiency = Bower model
 - Radial extent affected = R_{vir}
 - Heating fraction per duty cycle = 0.01



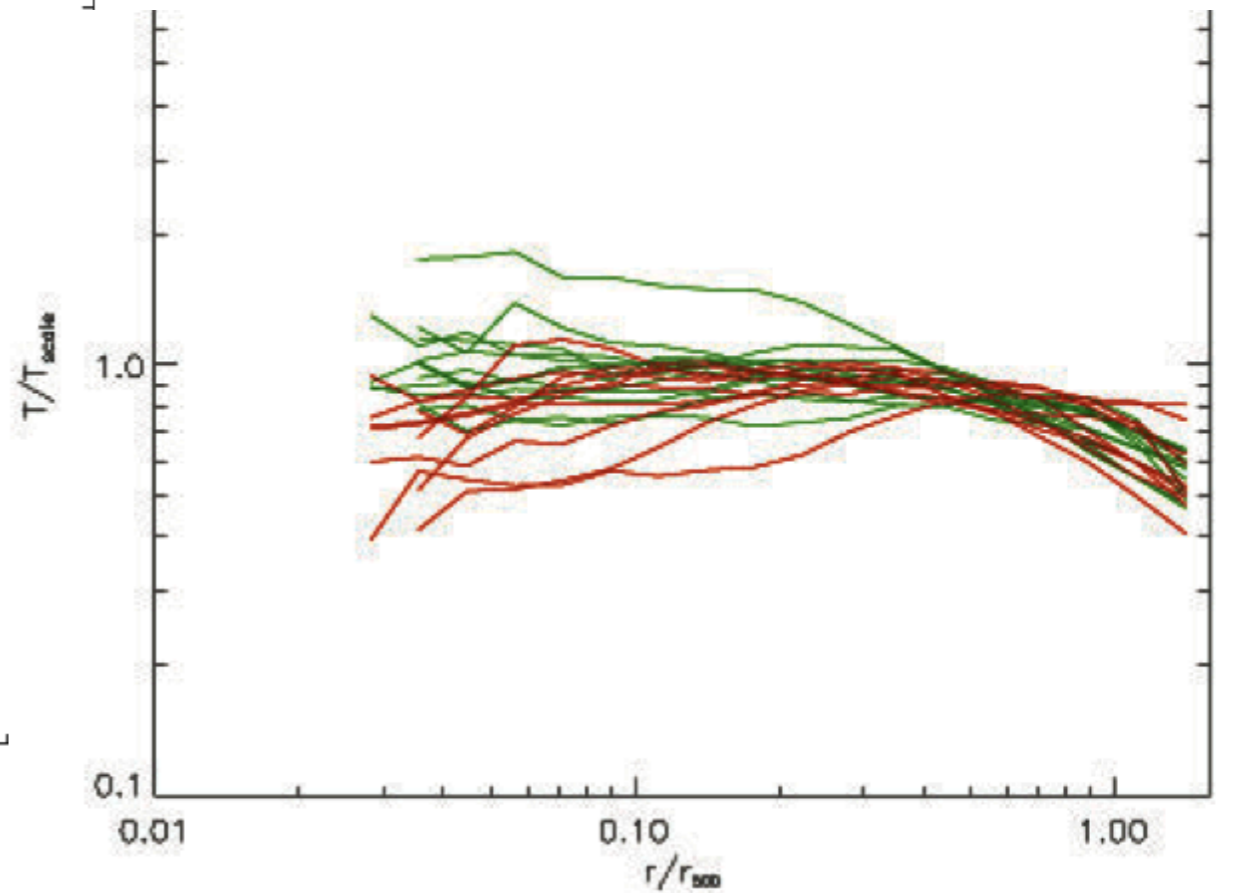
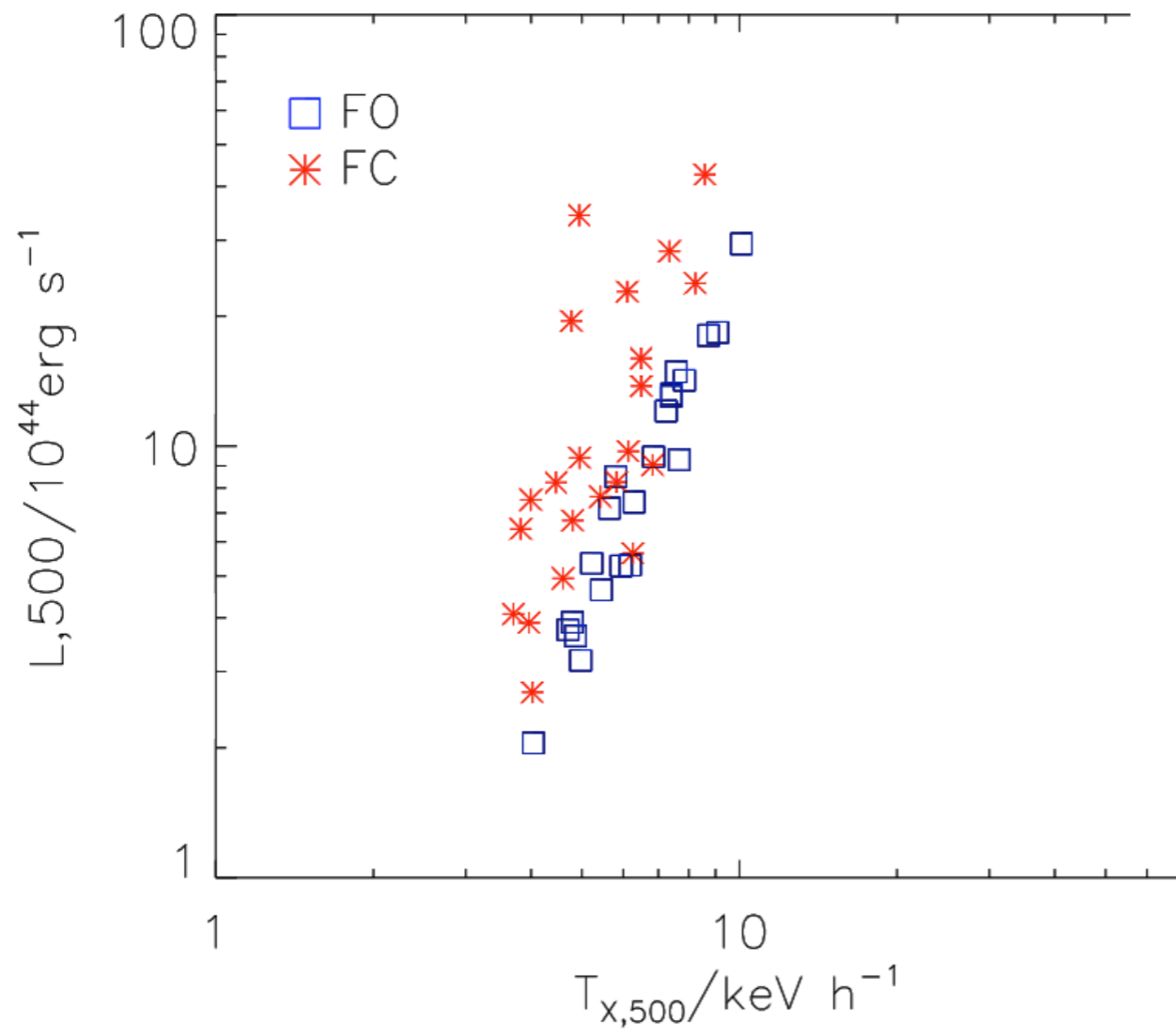
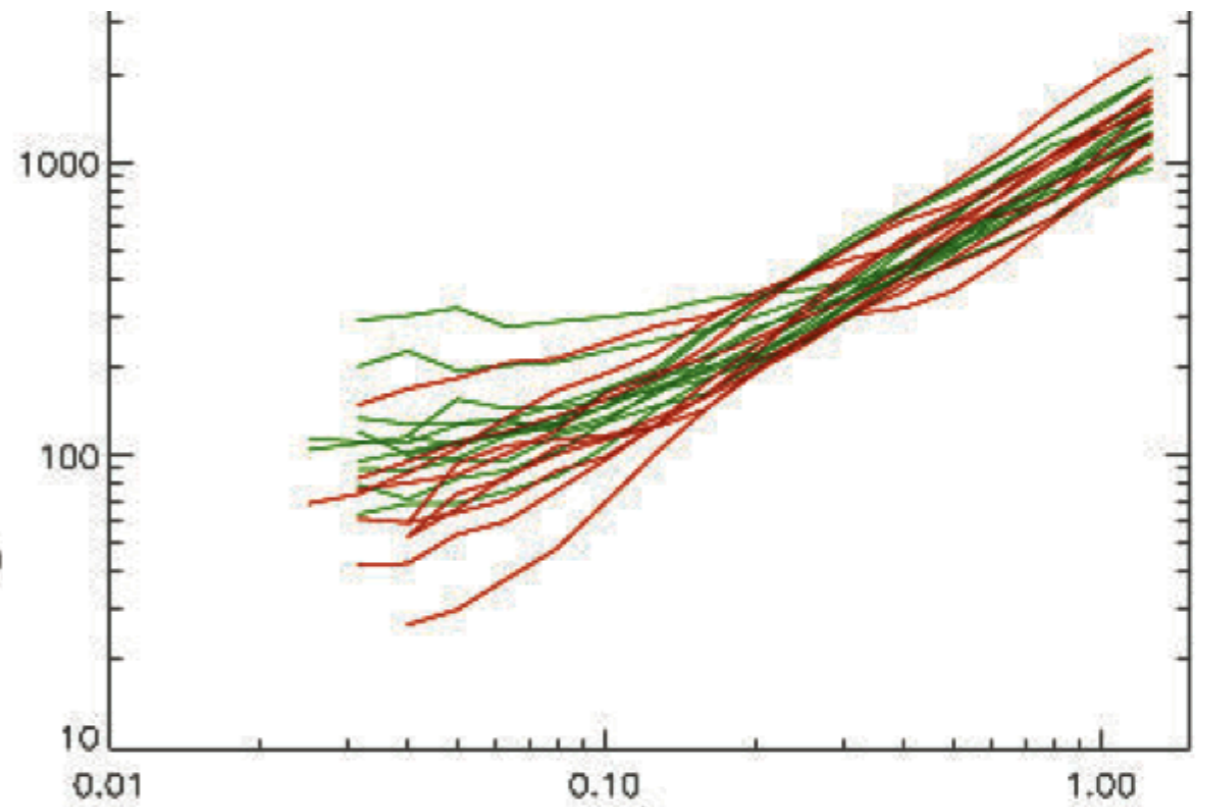
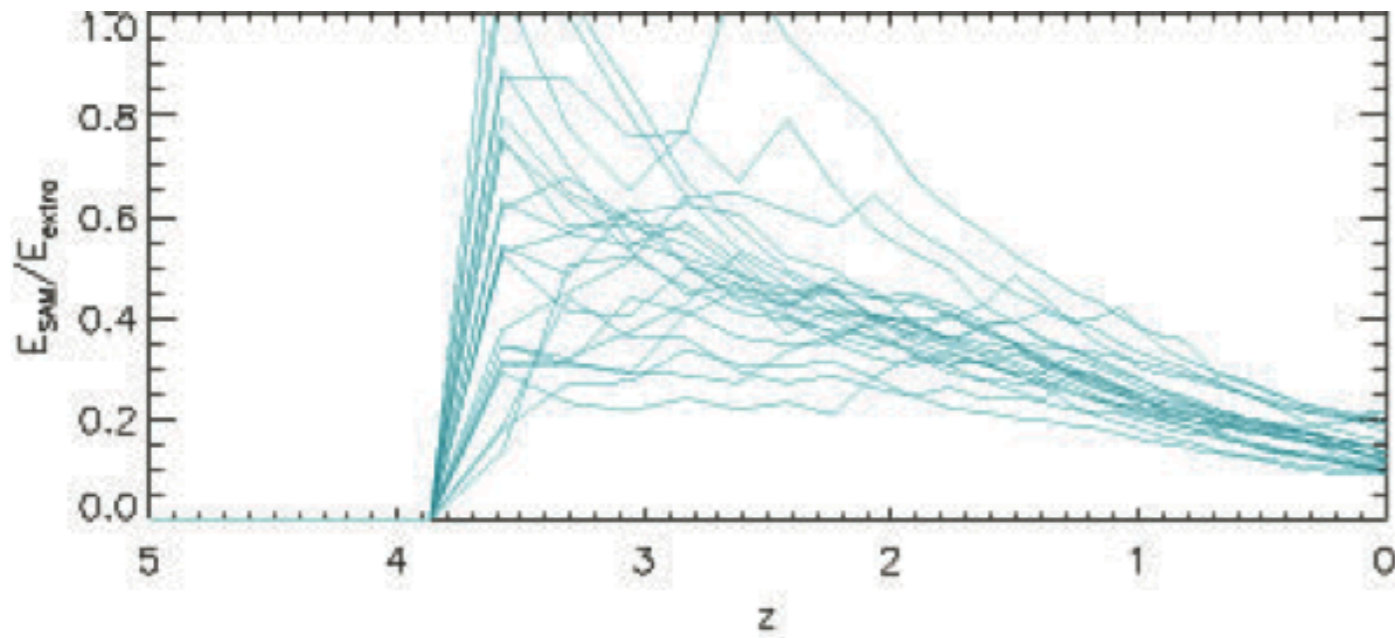




The **new** Millennium Gas Simulation

- Simulation details:
 - WMAP-7 cosmology
 - Full Millennium Simulation resolution
 - Guo et al 2011 semi-analytics
 - Improved AGN feedback scheme
 - Metal enrichment from Type II, Type 1a & AGB
 - Without and with radiative cooling
- Status:
 - Testing complete in smaller boxes
 - DM-only simulation complete
 - SA model catalogue constructed
 - Gas simulation started
- Data products:
 - SA galaxy catalogue
 - X-ray/SZ cluster catalogues
 - Maps and full datacubes for each cluster
- Science:
 - SZ scaling relations and power spectra
 - ★ relative contribution of core/halo/filaments
 - ★ evolution
 - ★ radio source contamination
 - X-ray properties of galaxy clusters and groups
 - ★ in the WMAP-7 cosmology
 - ★ self-consistent stellar population
 - ★ entropy profiles that resemble those of NCC clusters
 - ★ realistic population of both NCC and CC clusters
 - Metal enrichment of ICM/IGM/WHIM from a self-consistent stellar population and feedback model
 - Holistic models for clusters extending to high redshift: X-ray, optical, SZ, radio

Simulating cool-core systems Owain Young



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