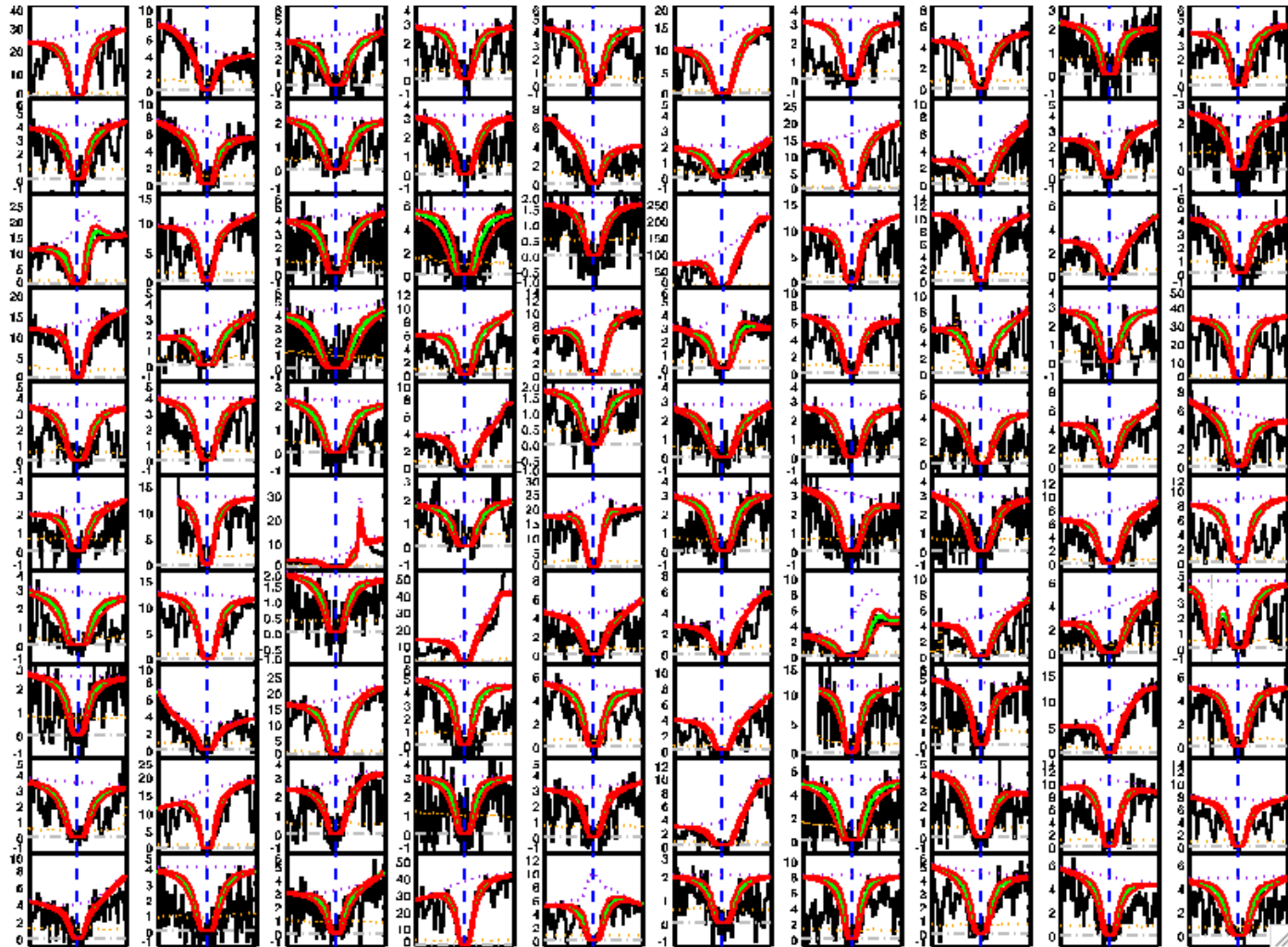


Deep Learning of Quasar Spectra

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https://github.com/davidparks21/qso_lya_detection_pipeline

Arxiv astro-ph/1709.04962

Quasar Spectroscopy (Early Days)

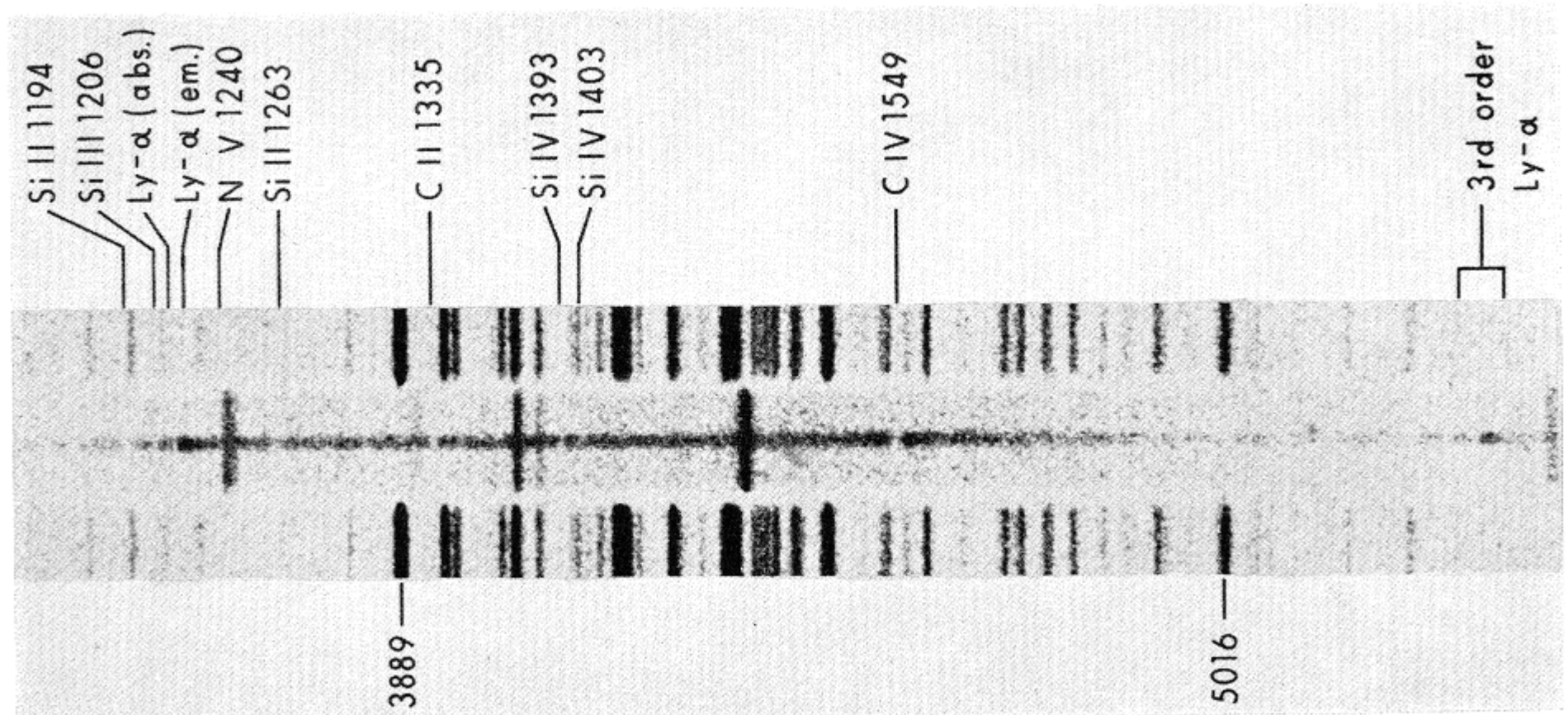


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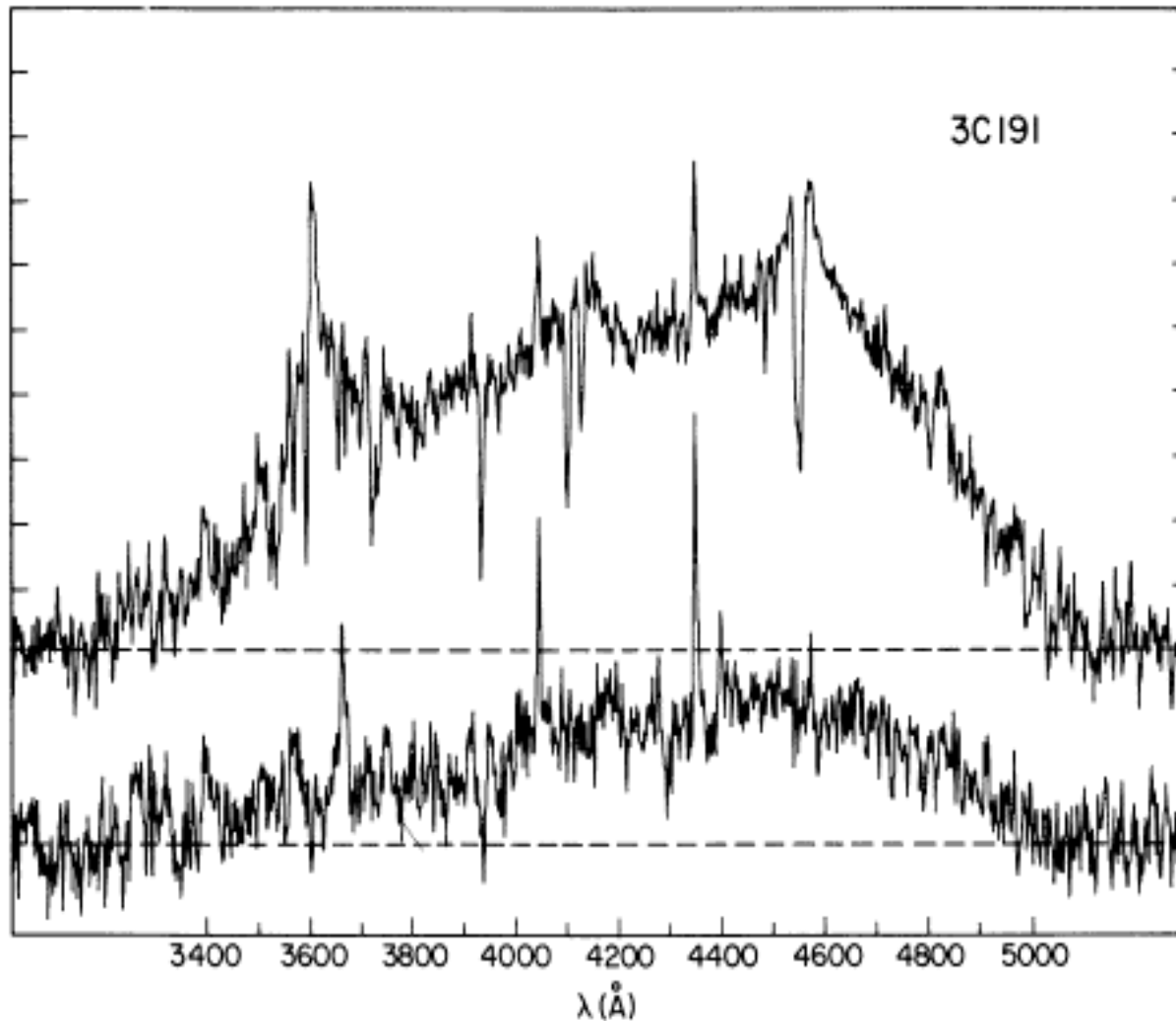
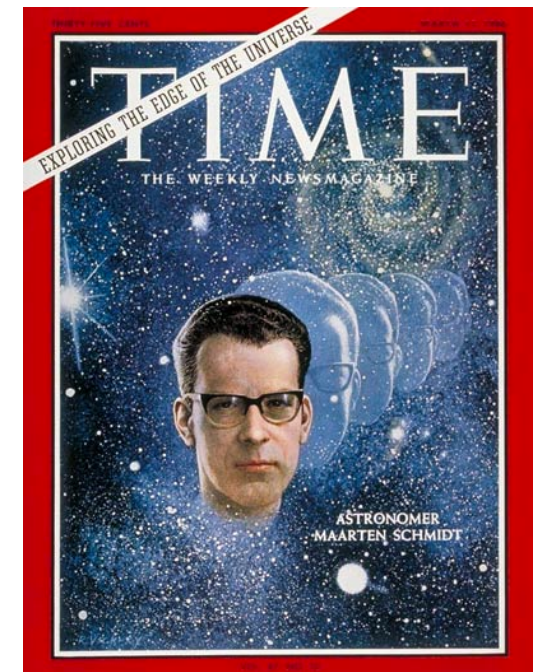
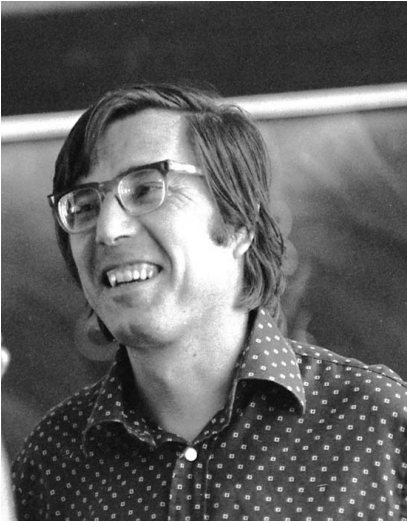


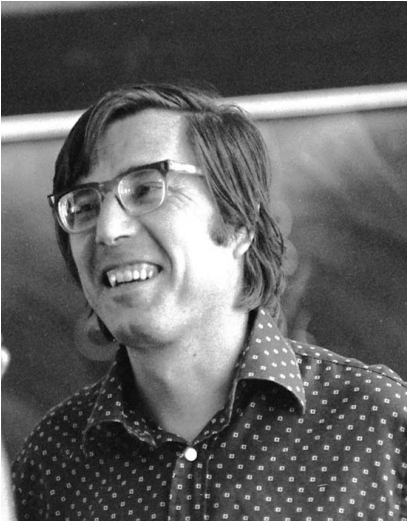
FIG. 1.—Density tracings of the spectrum of 3C 191 and the nearby night-sky spectrum on the same plate are shown. The two tracings have the same vertical magnification but have been shifted by an arbitrary amount. The strong emission lines in the night-sky spectrum are due to mercury city lights.



Quasar Spectroscopy (Disco Days)



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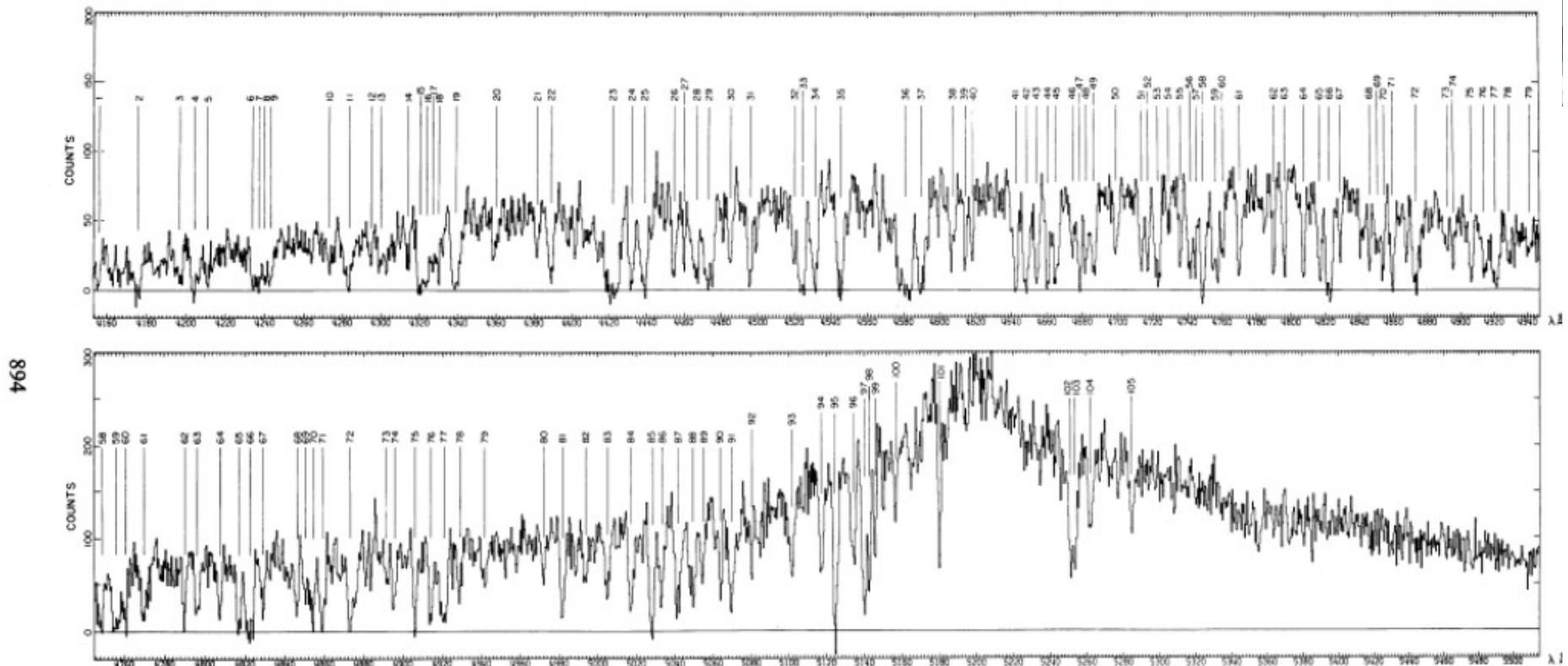
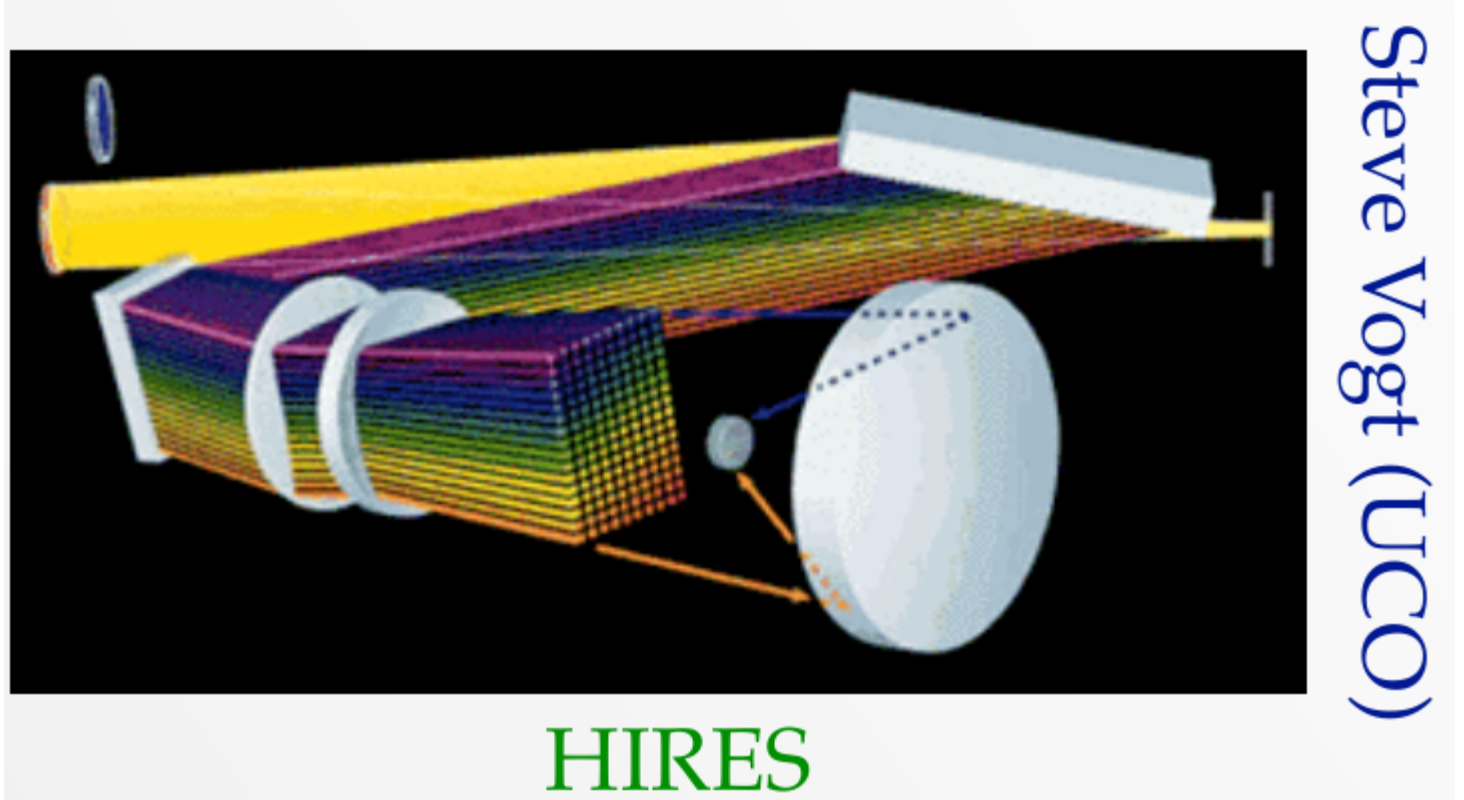
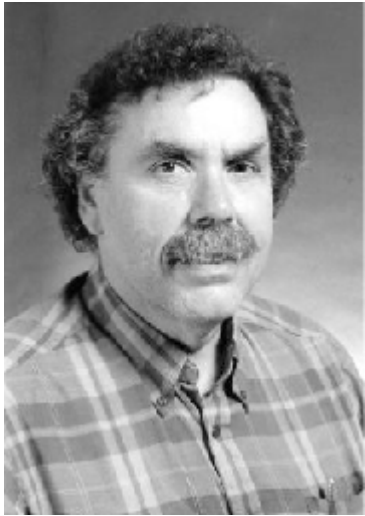
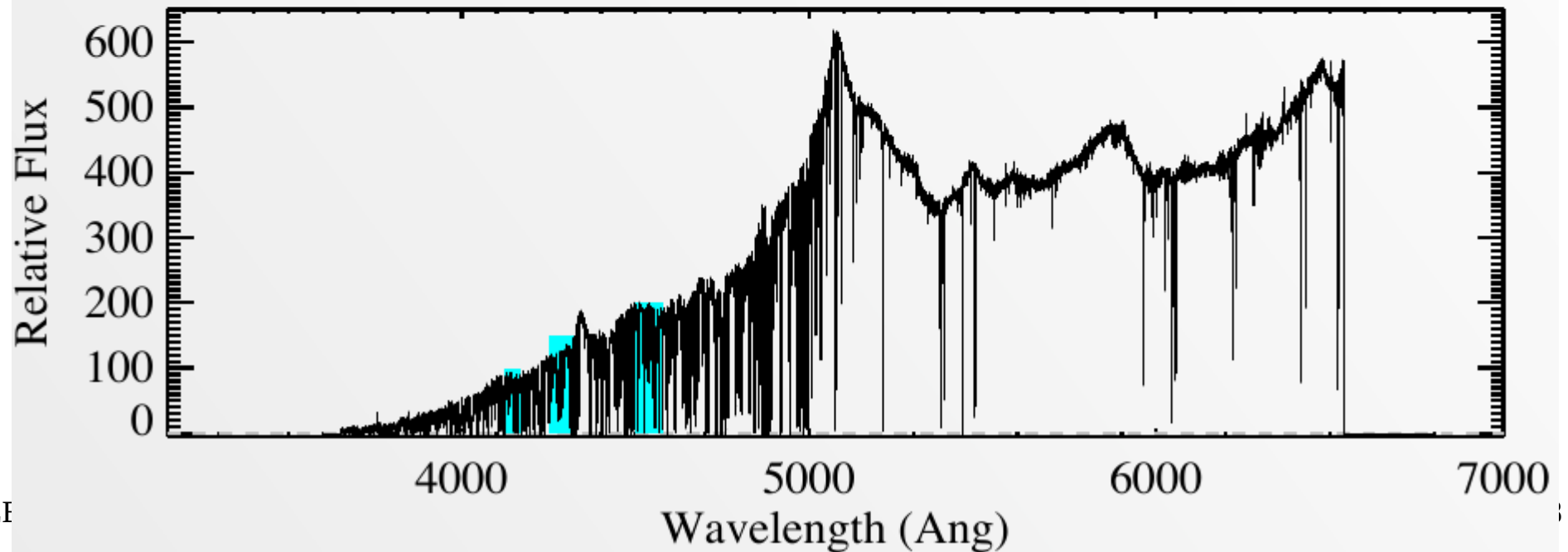
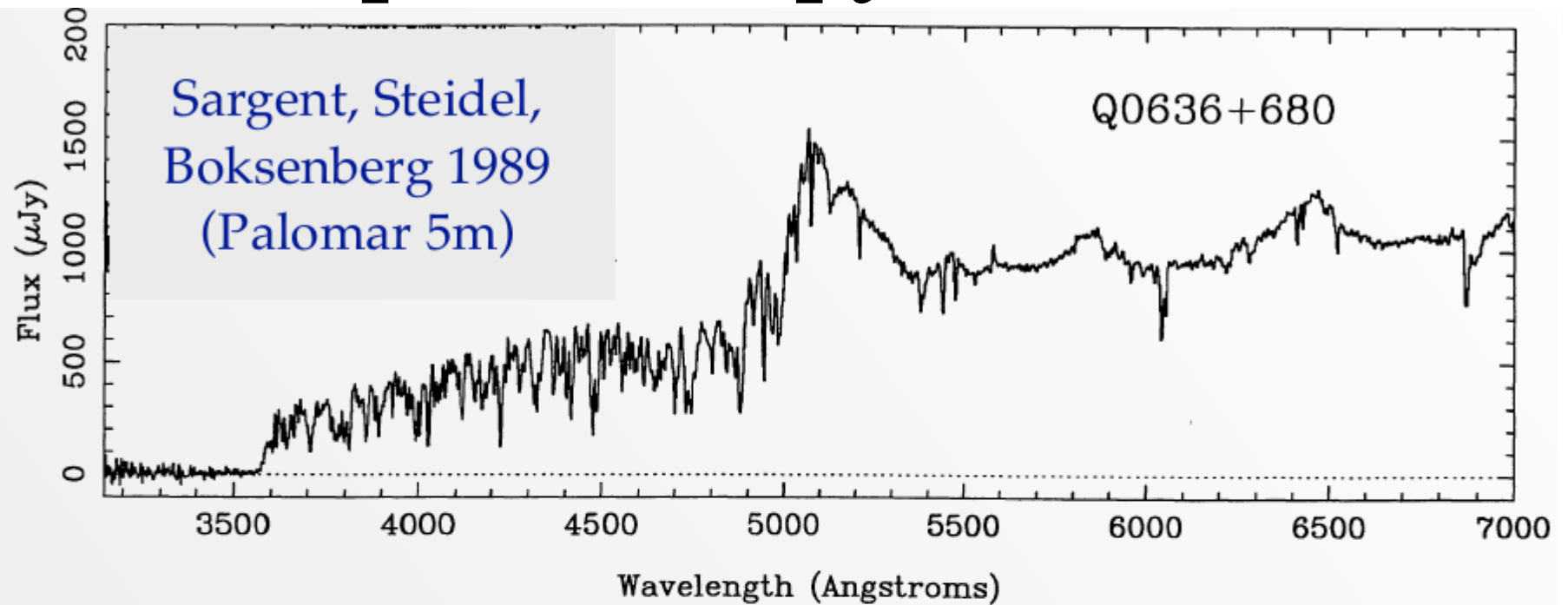


FIG. 1.—Spectrum of PKS 2126–158, showing four overlapping, independent observations covering the range 4153–6807 Å. Each bin is equivalent to 25.78 km s⁻¹ (the wavelength axis is logarithmic). The zero intensity level in each observation is indicated by the horizontal lines. The 113 absorption lines listed in Table 3 are marked and labeled.

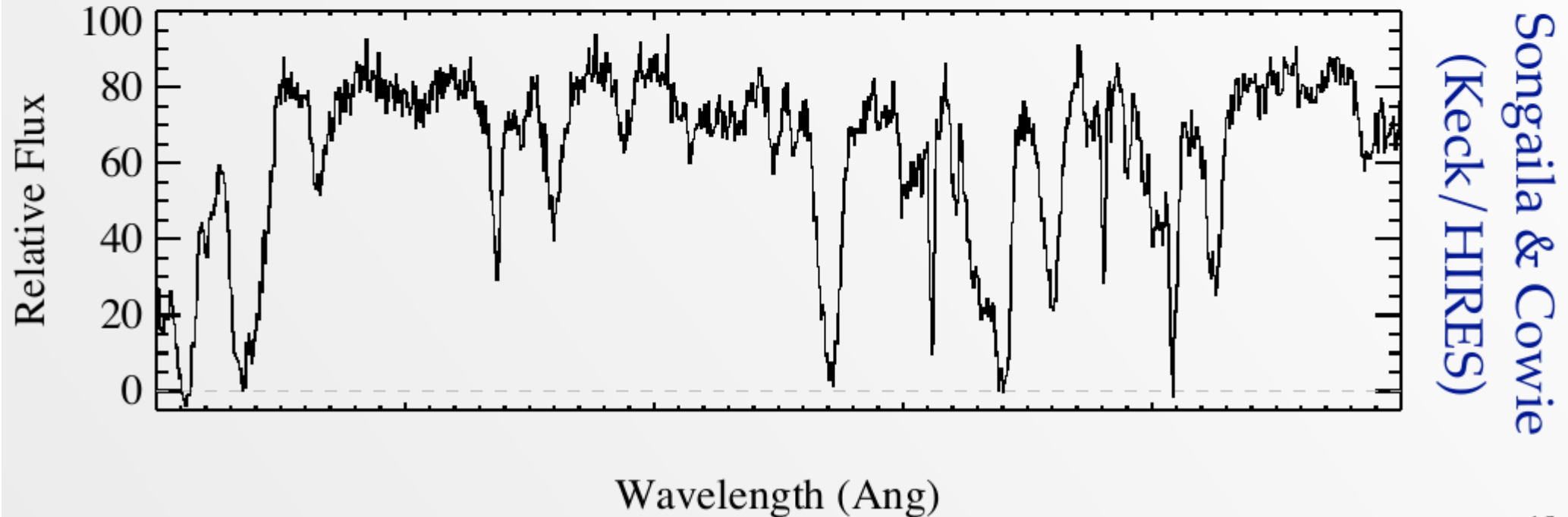
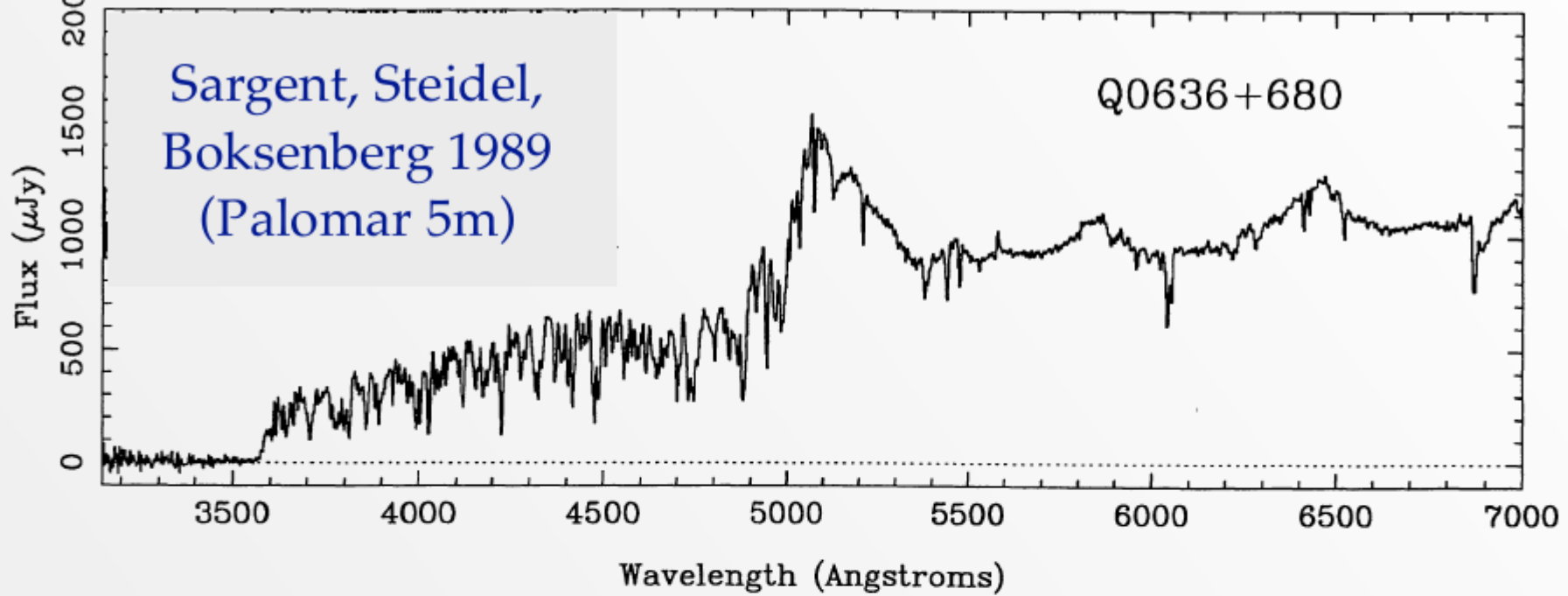
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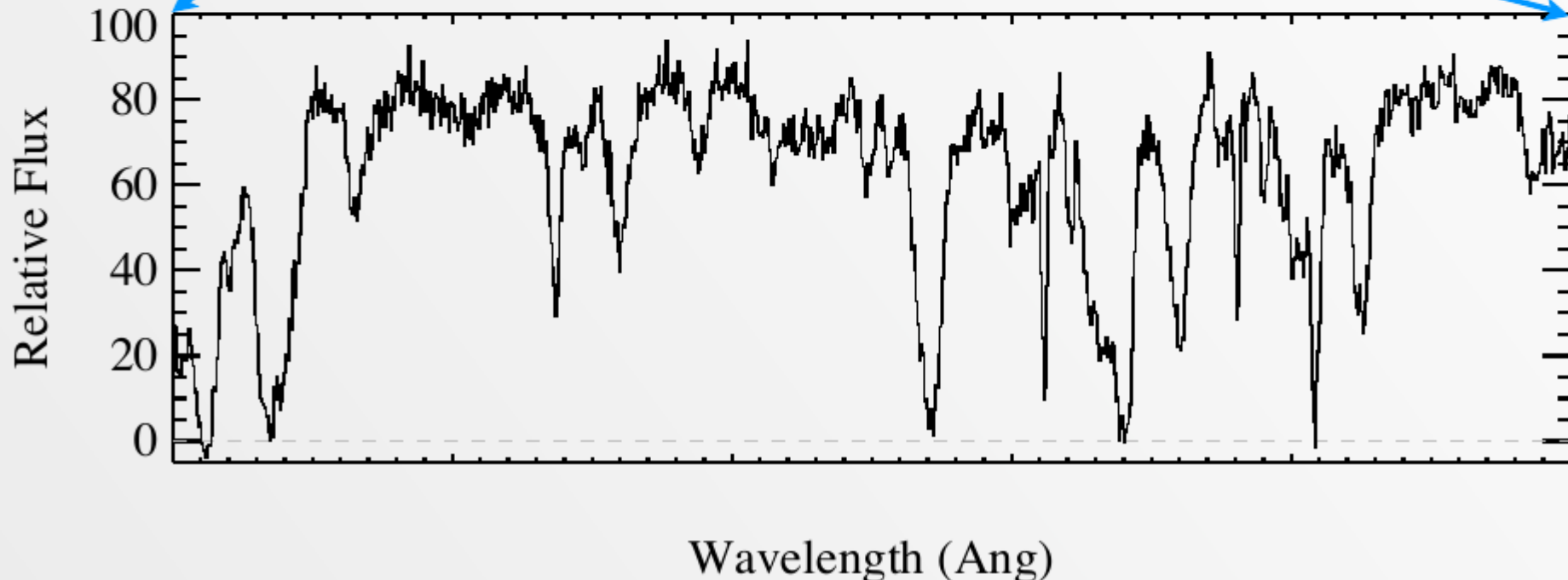
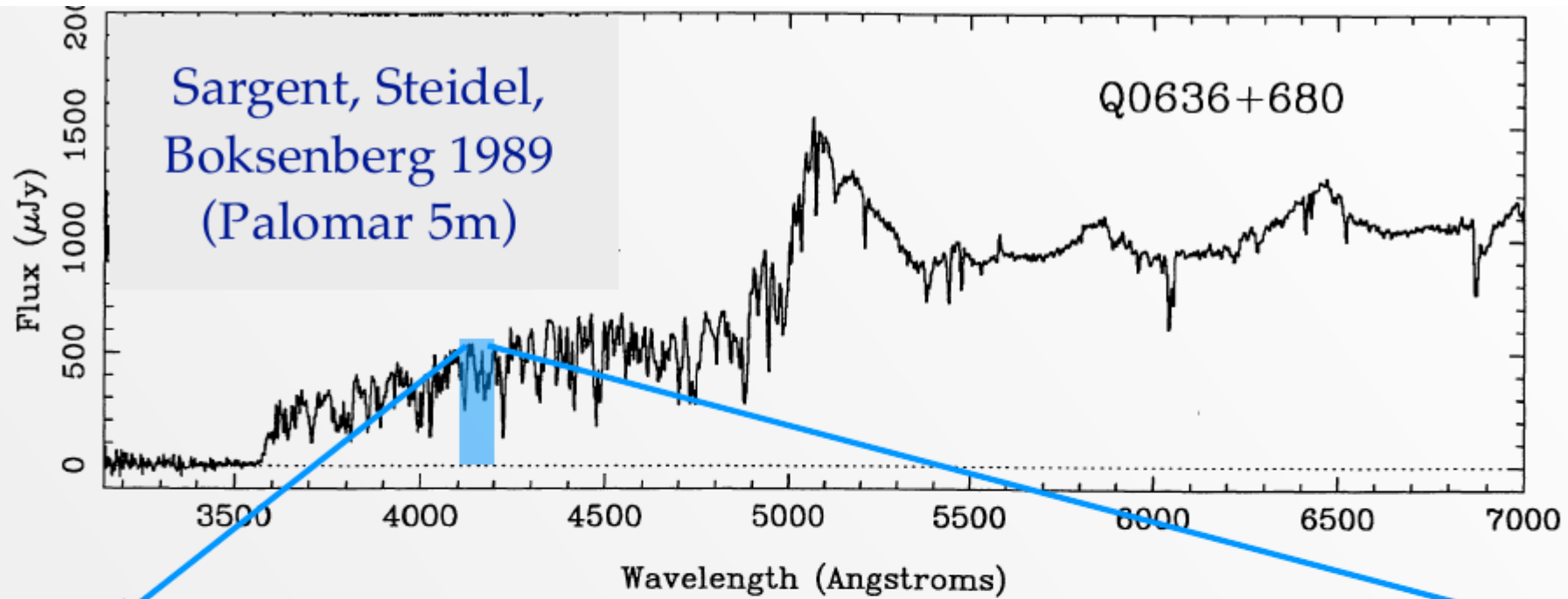
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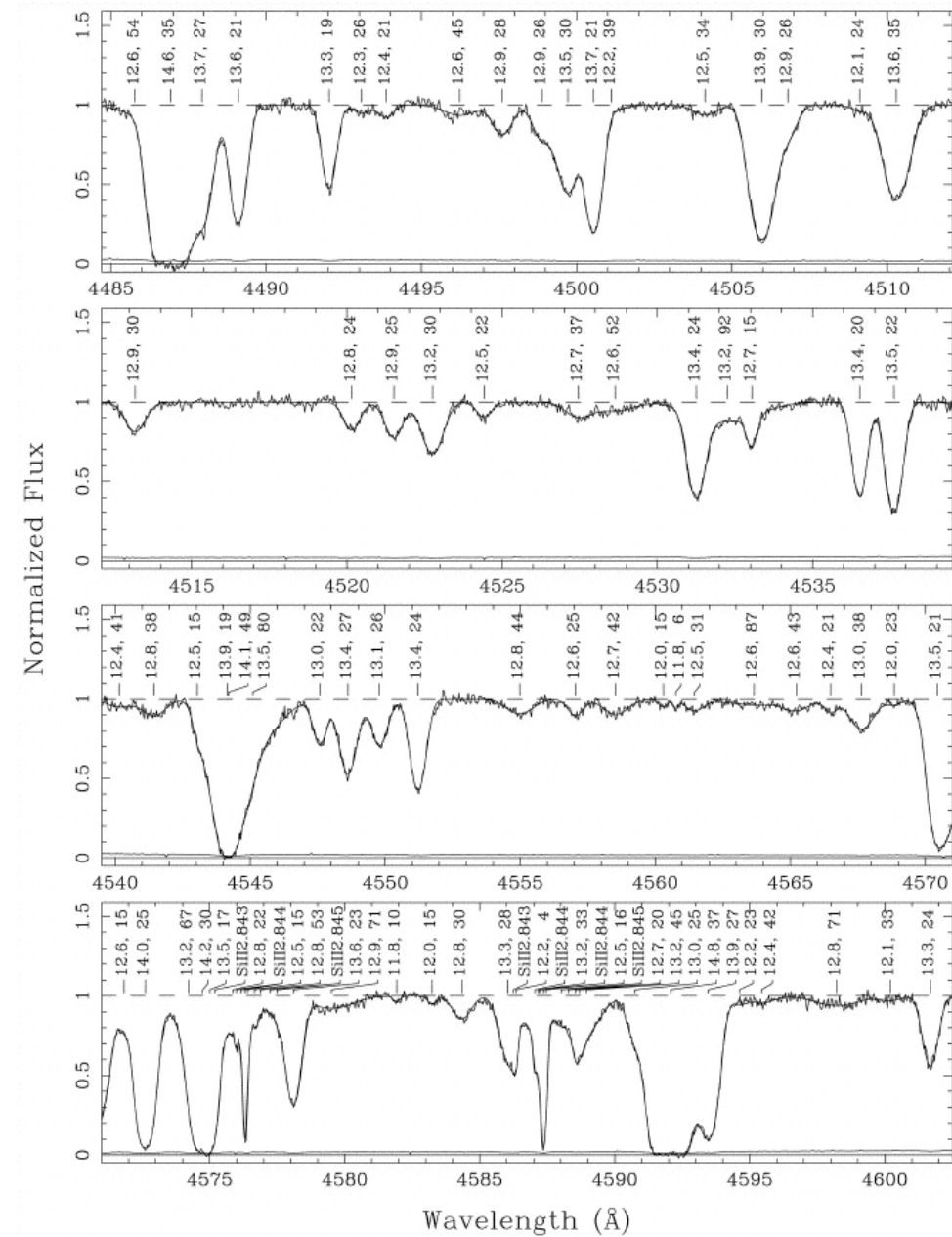
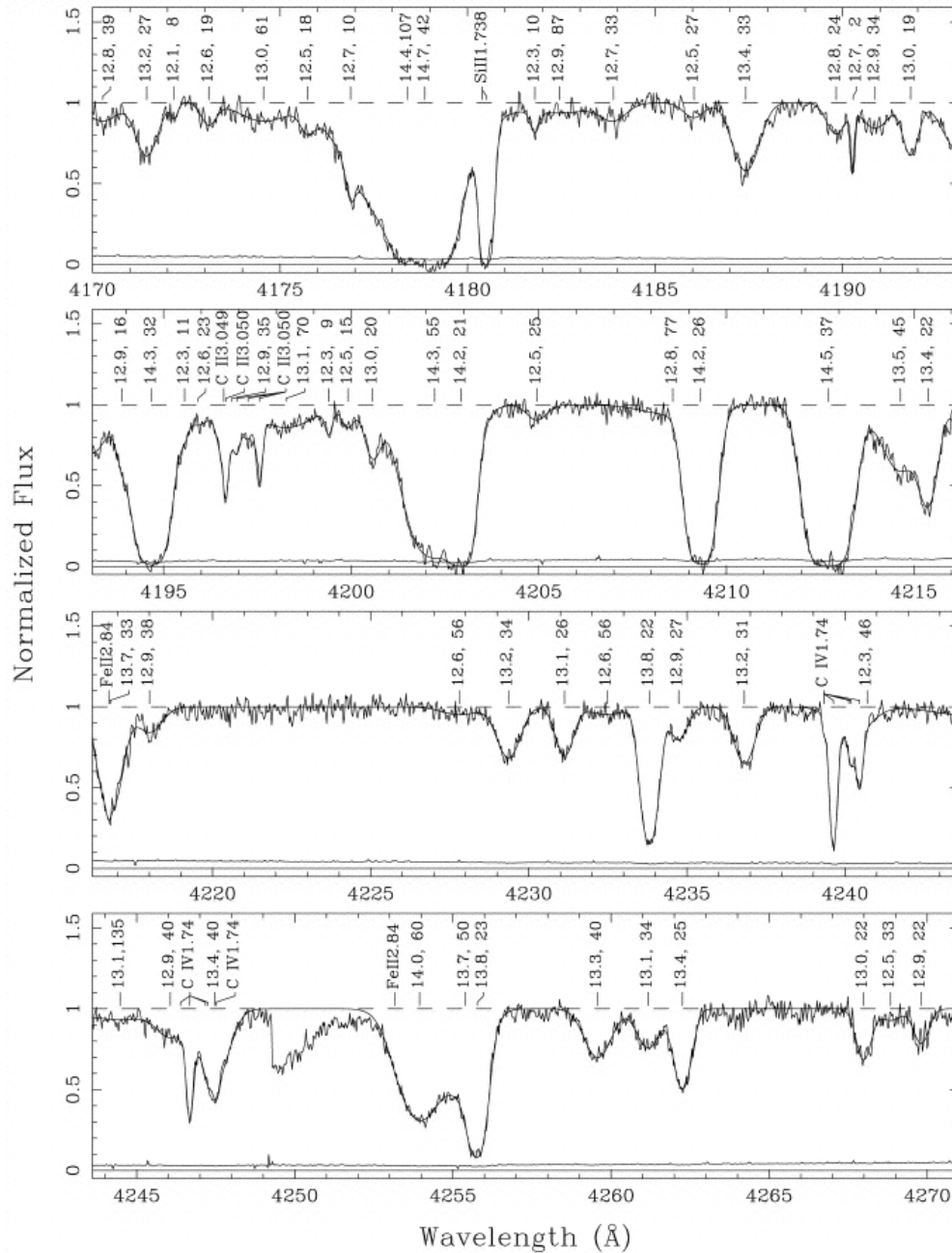


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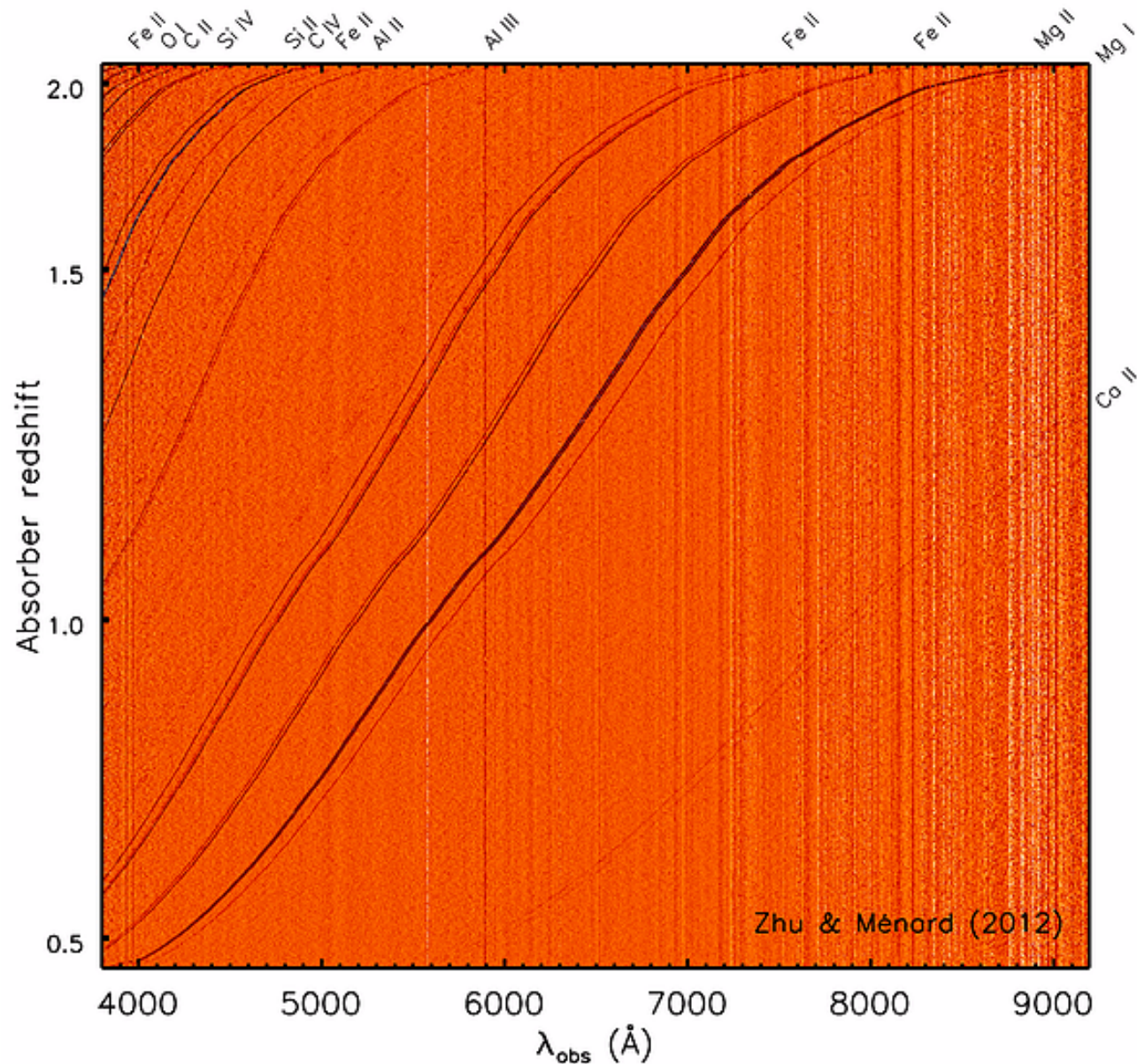


Songaila & Cowie
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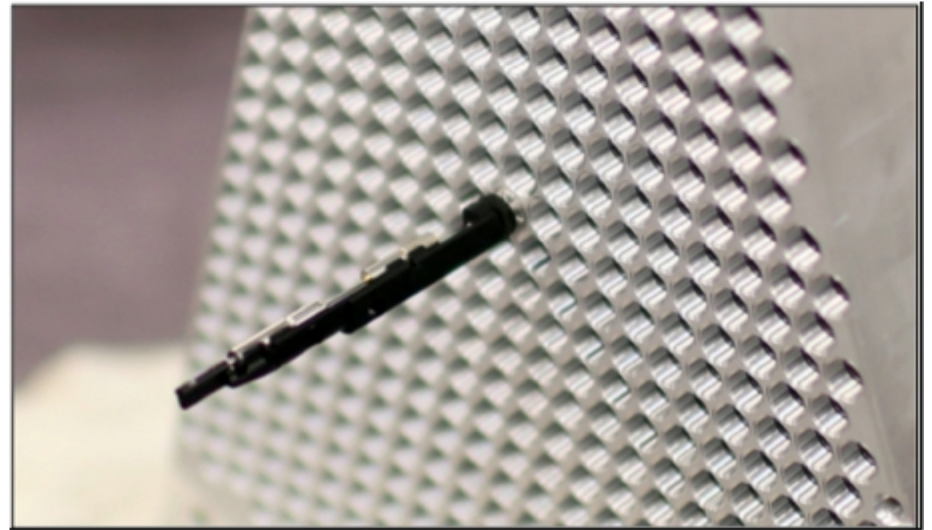
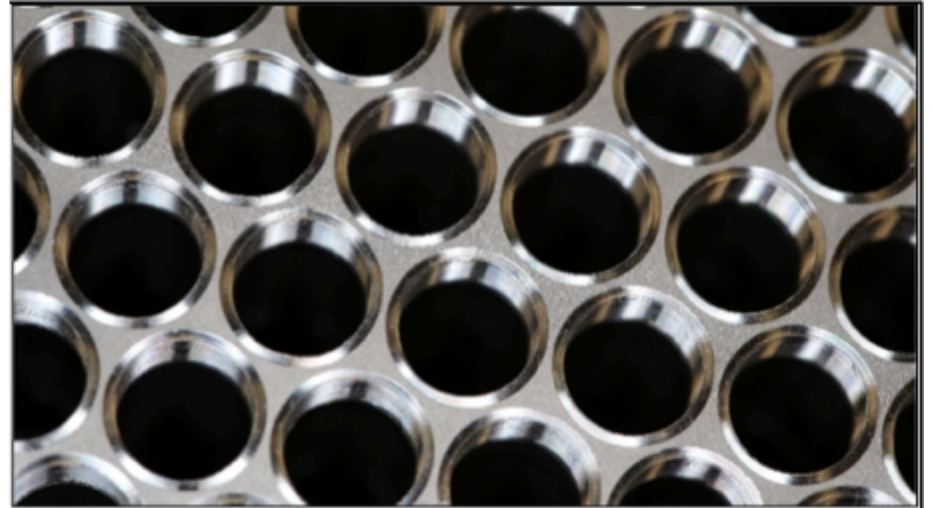
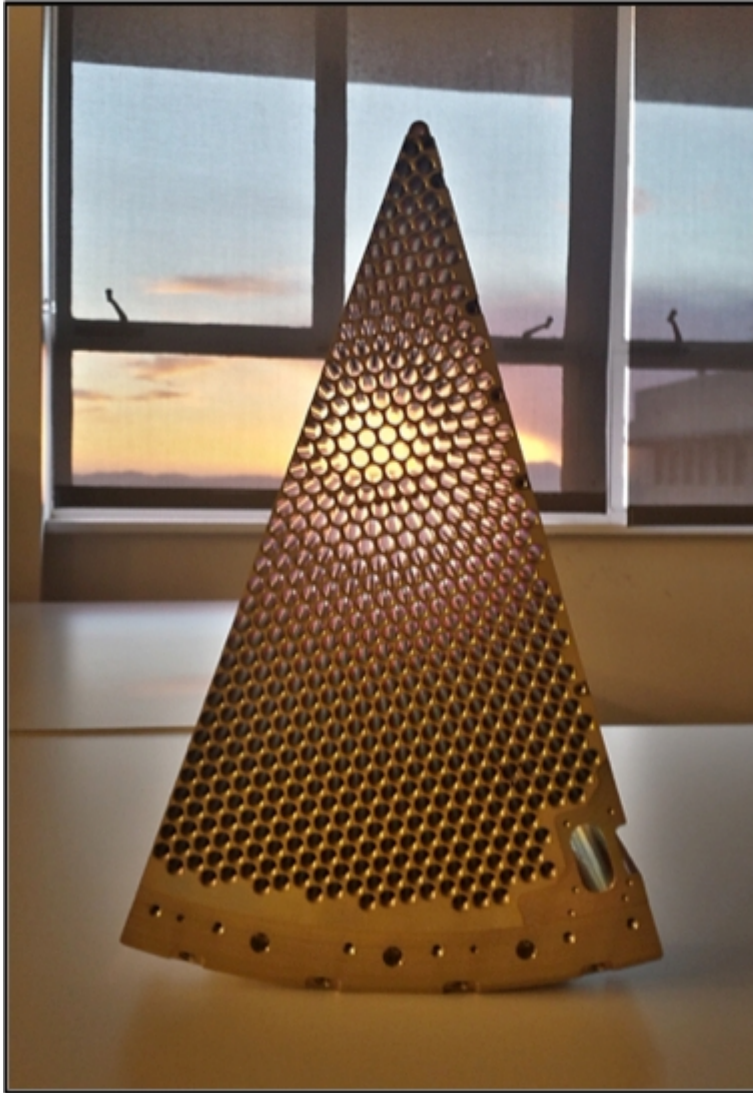
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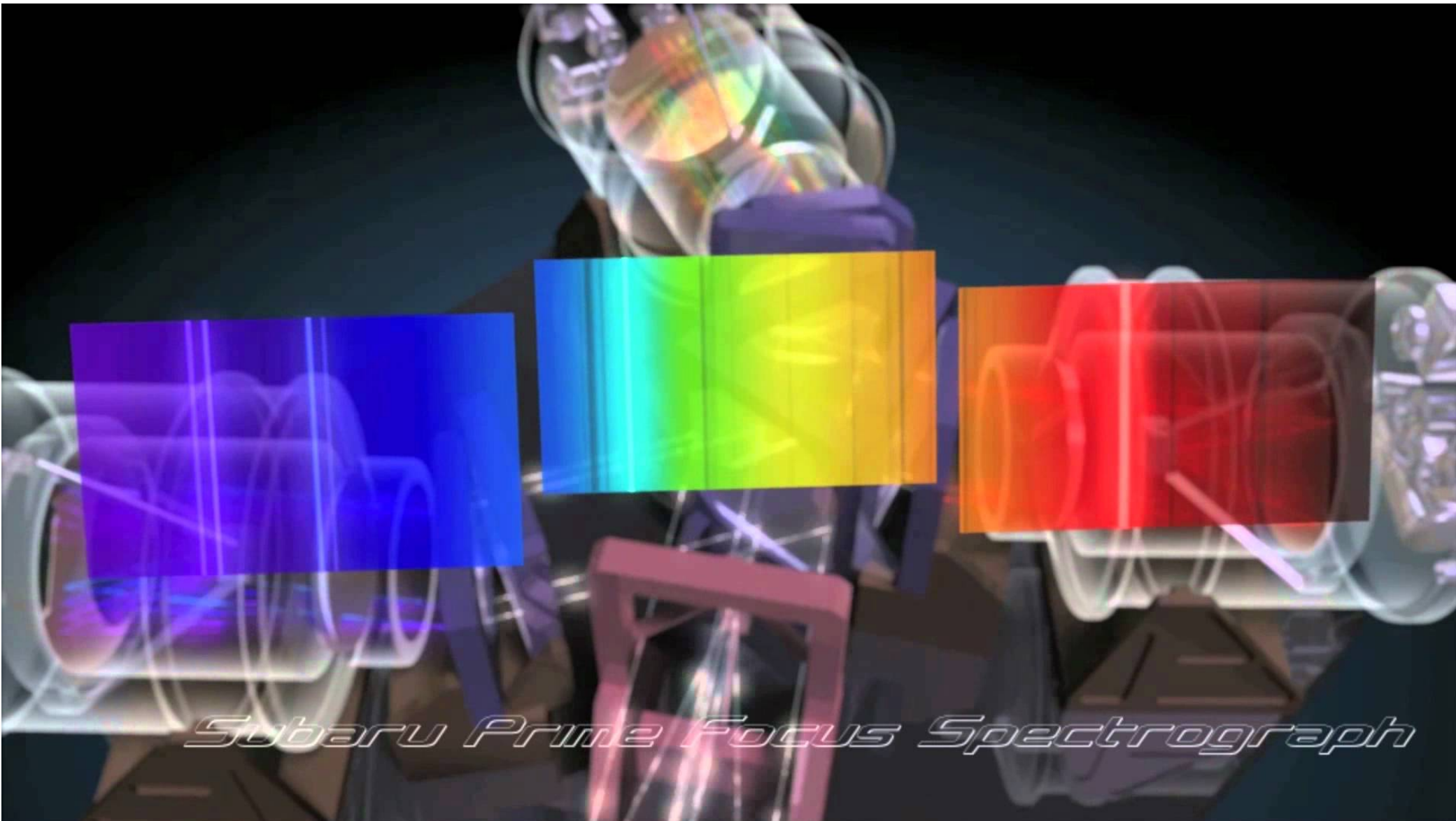
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Quasar Spectroscopy (Future)



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Machine Learning

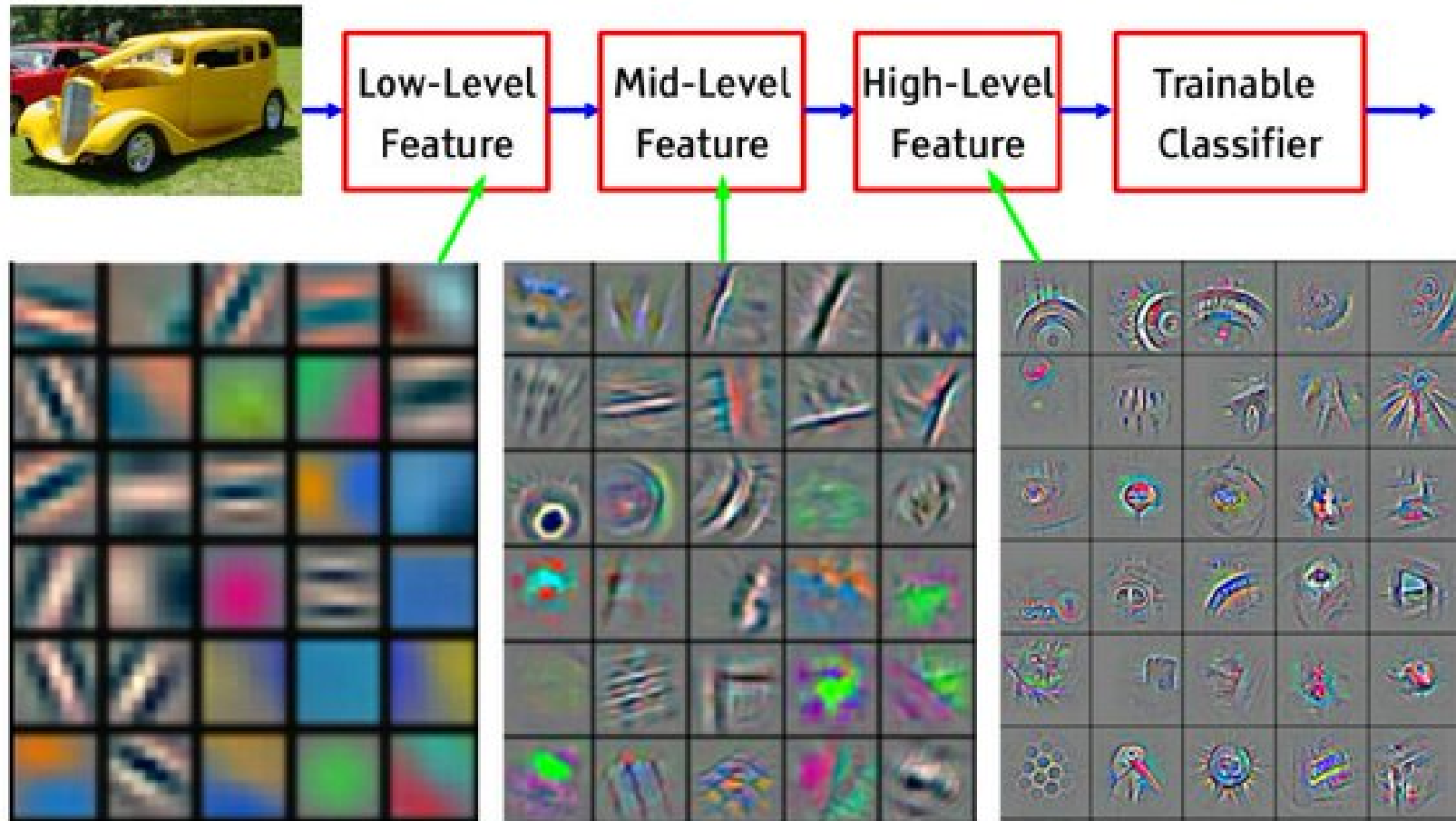
Machine Learning



Deep Learning



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Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus 2013]

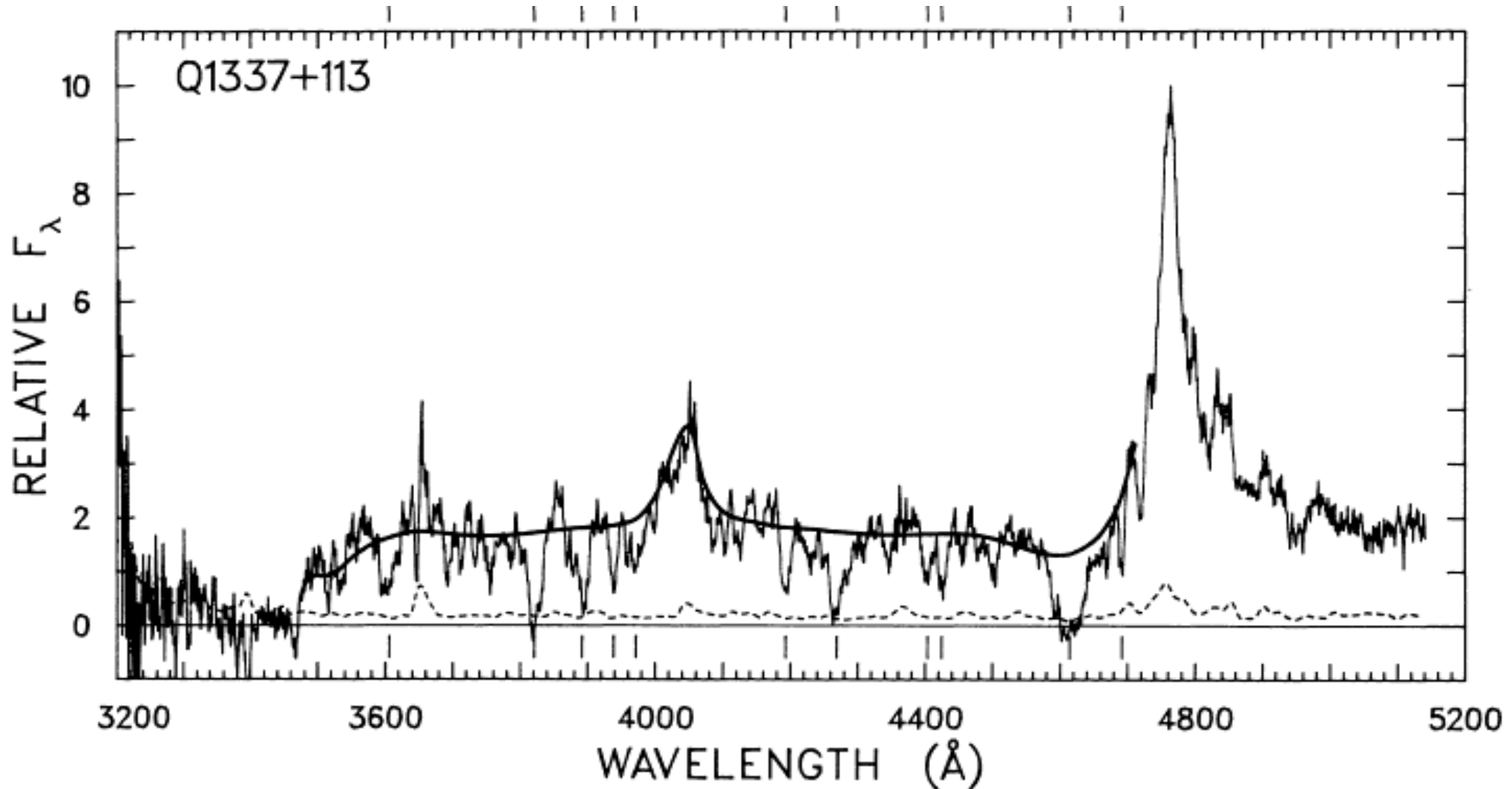
Machine Learning in Astronomy

- Astronomy is rife with tasks demanding human labor
 - Source identification
 - Continuum fitting
 - Line identification
- Machine Learning
 - Can perform many of these tasks
 - Auto-magically, repeatably, better!
- Astrophysics and ML
 - I harbor my doubts...



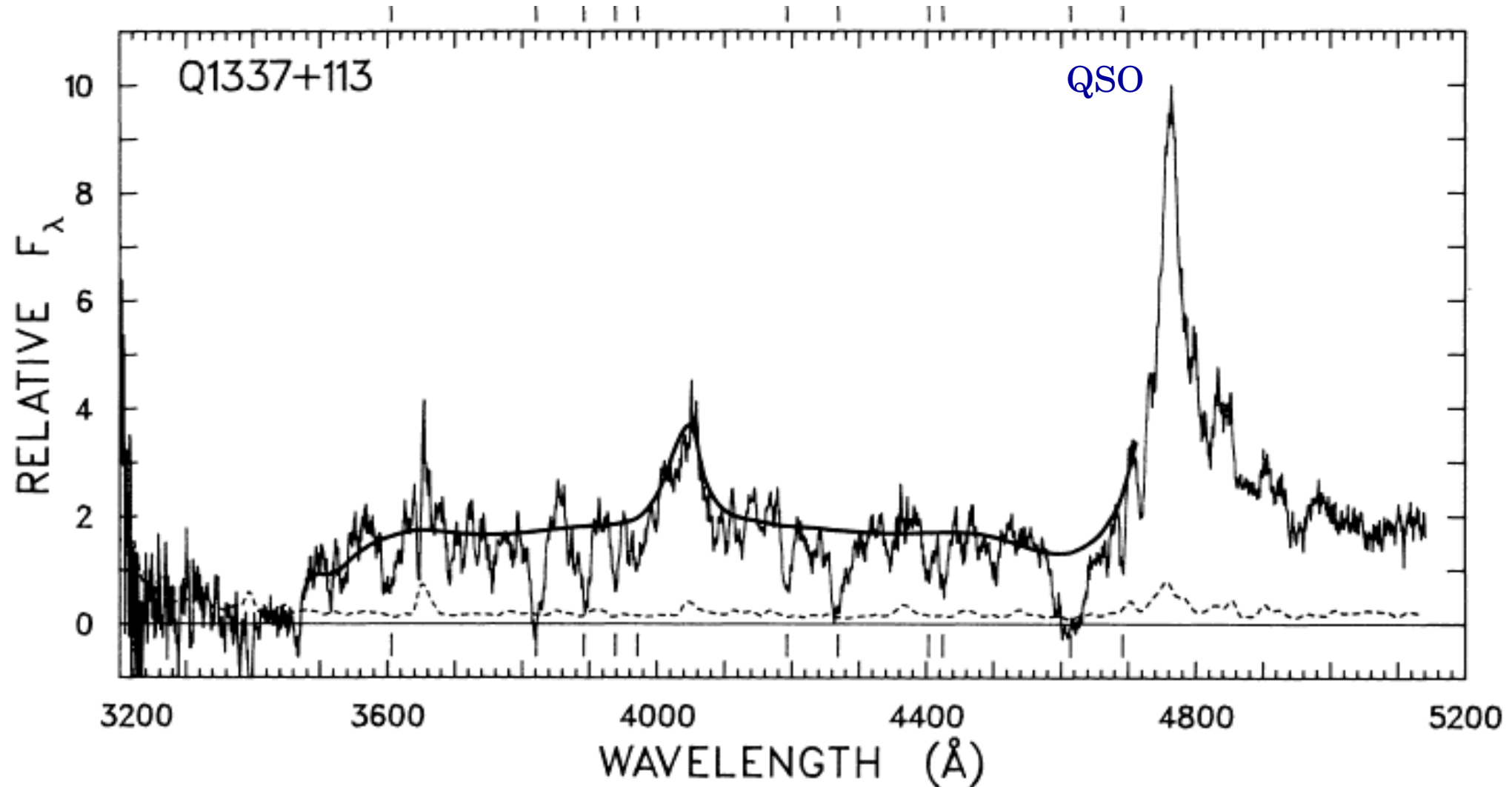
The Damped Ly α Systems (DLAs)

Wolfe+86



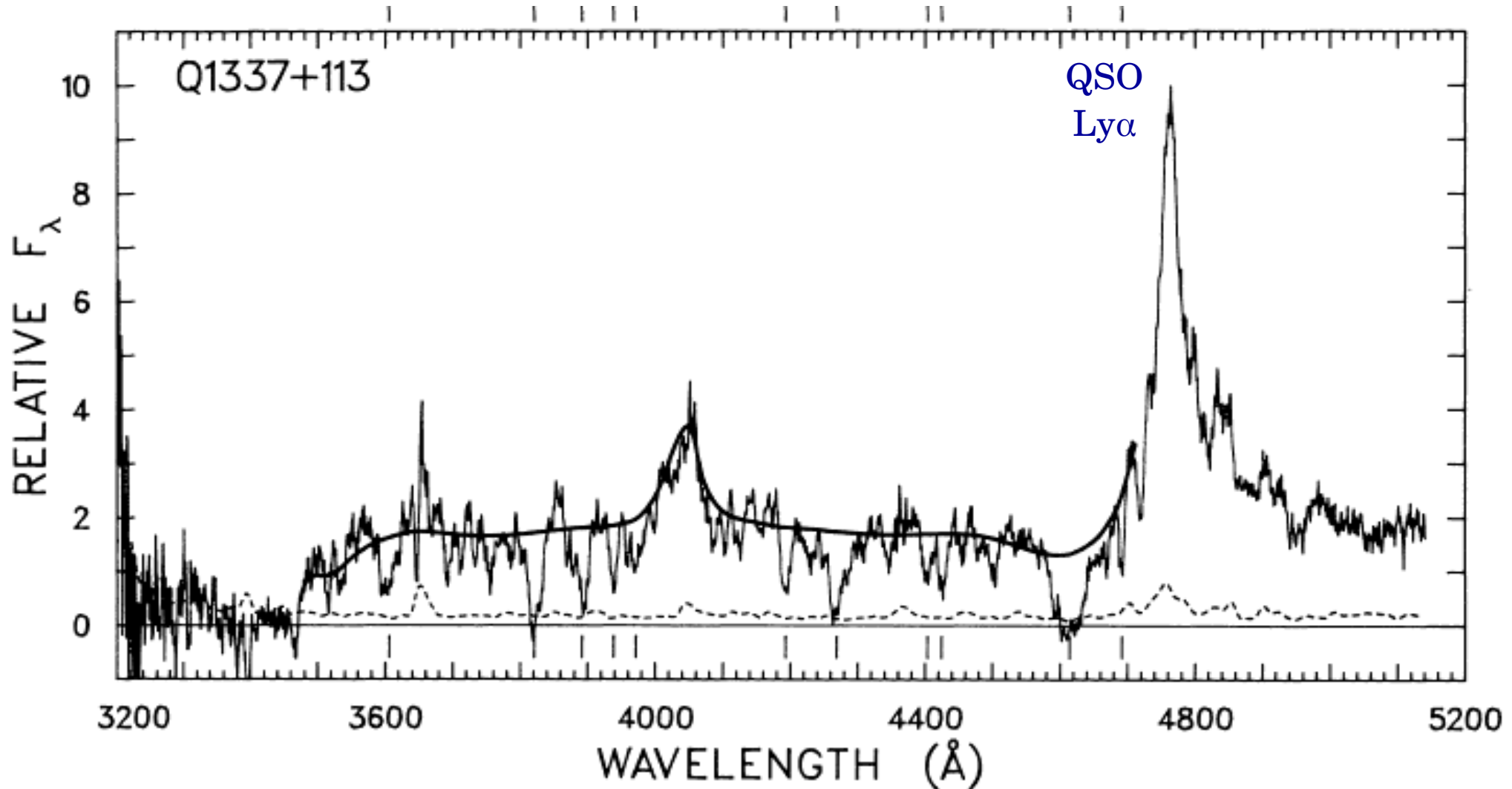
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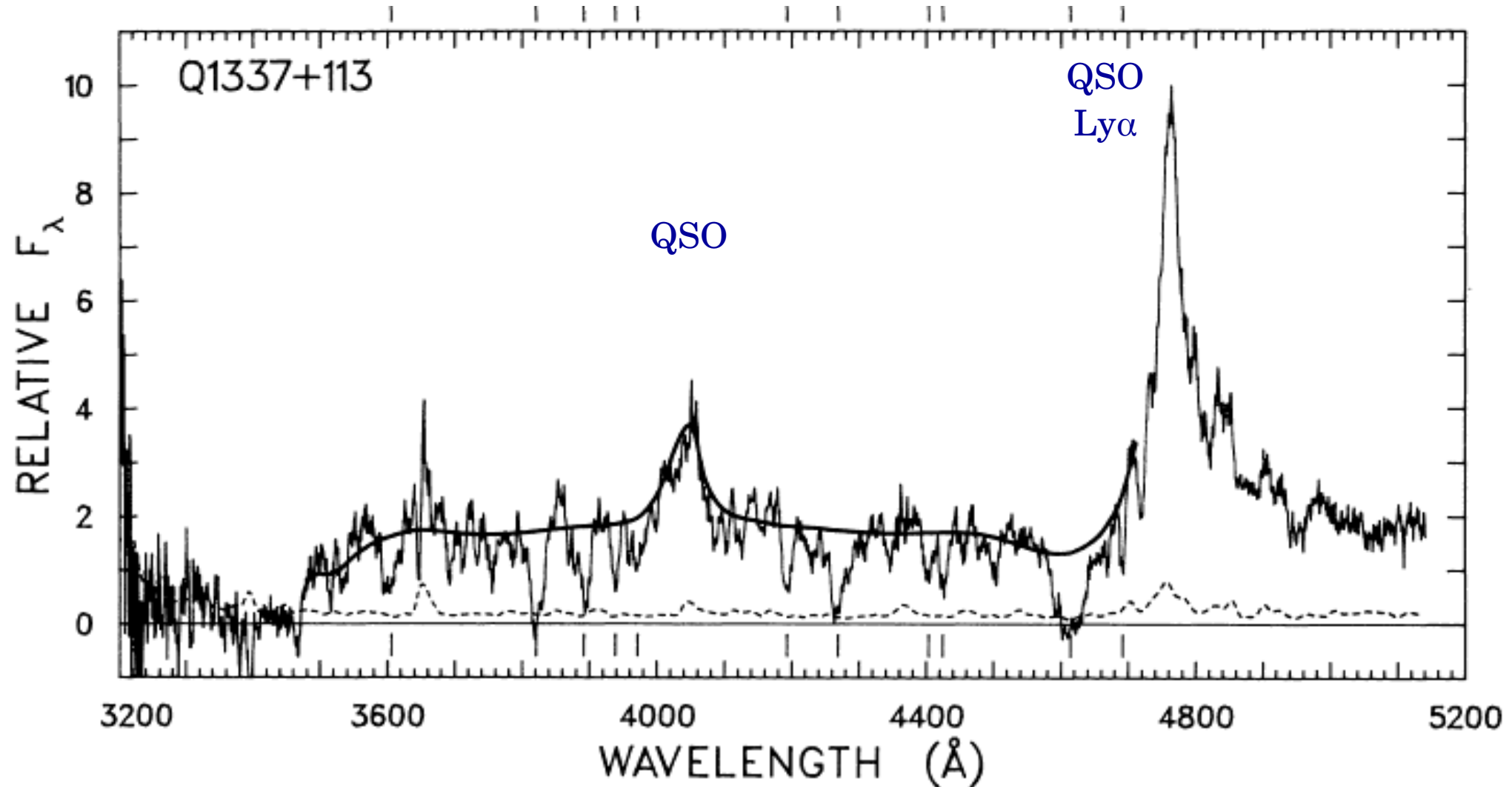
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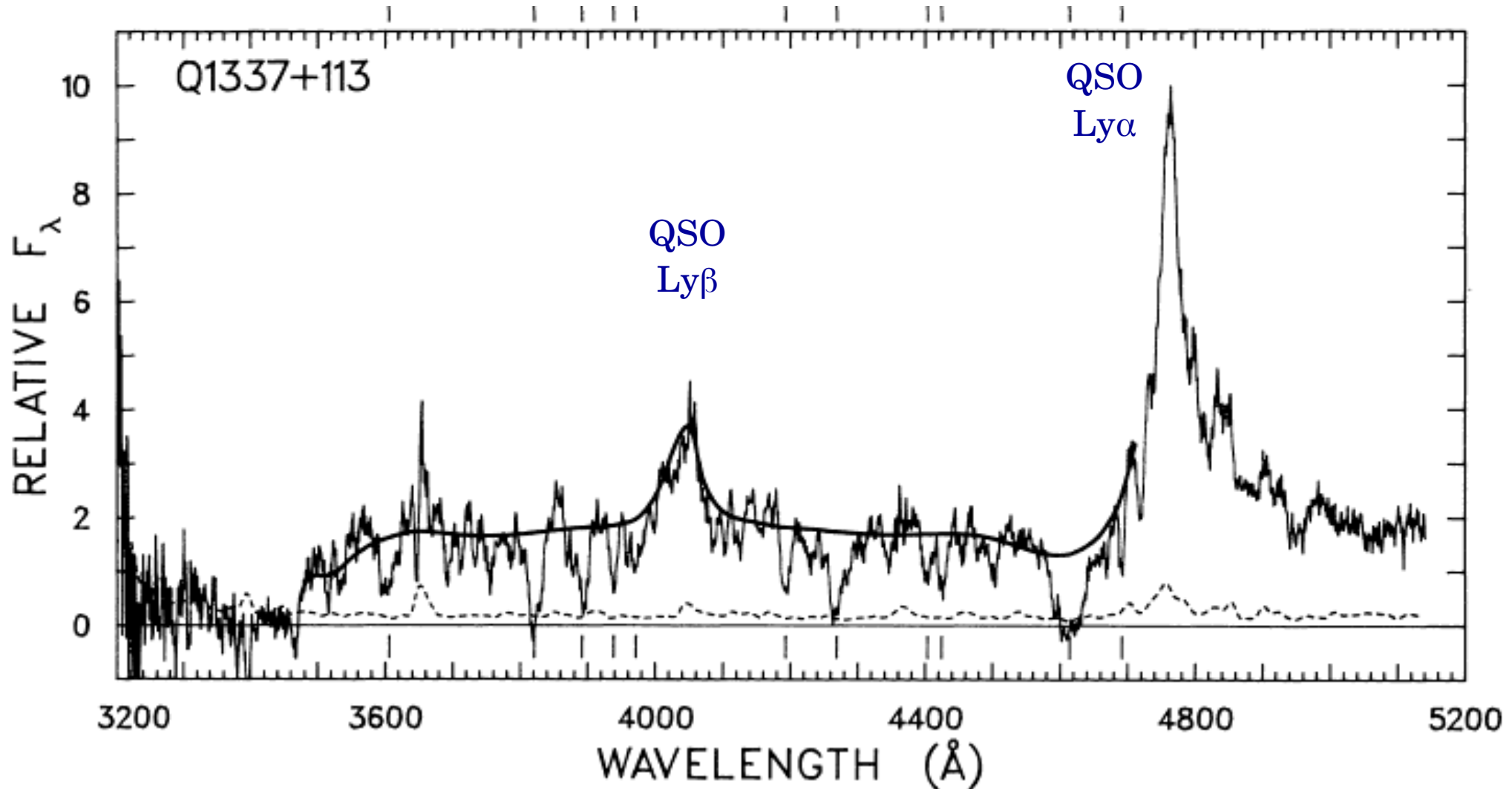
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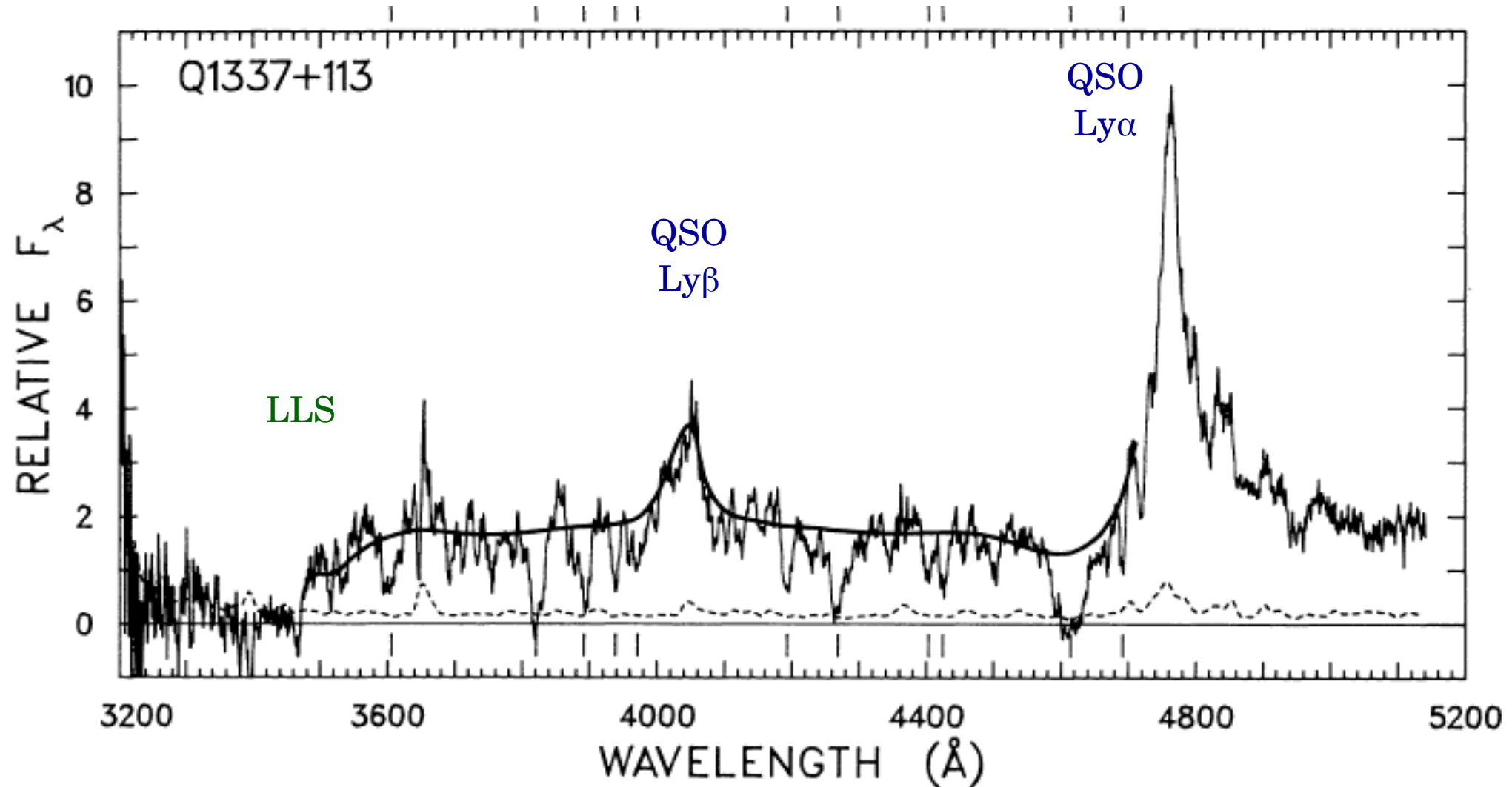
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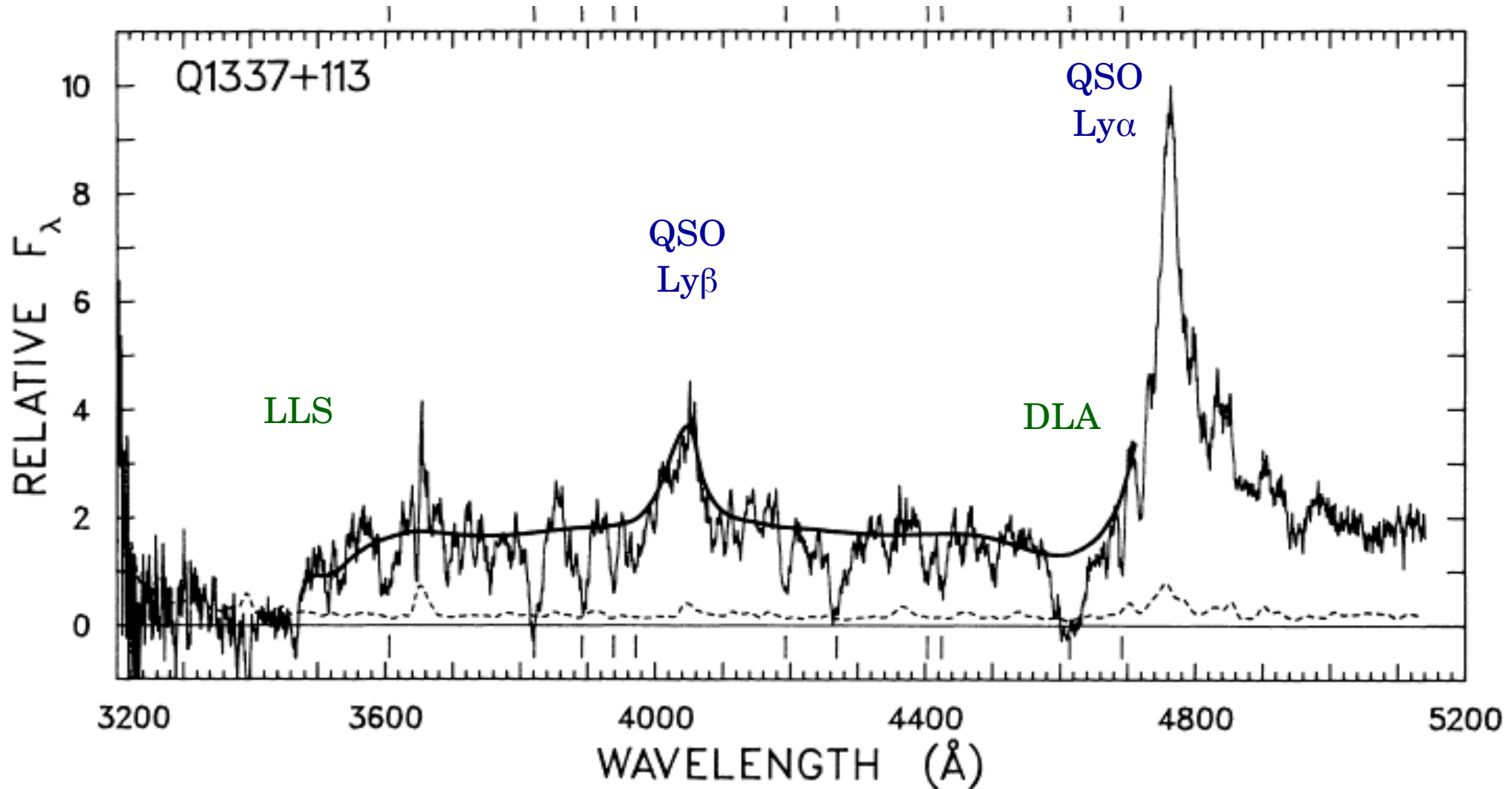
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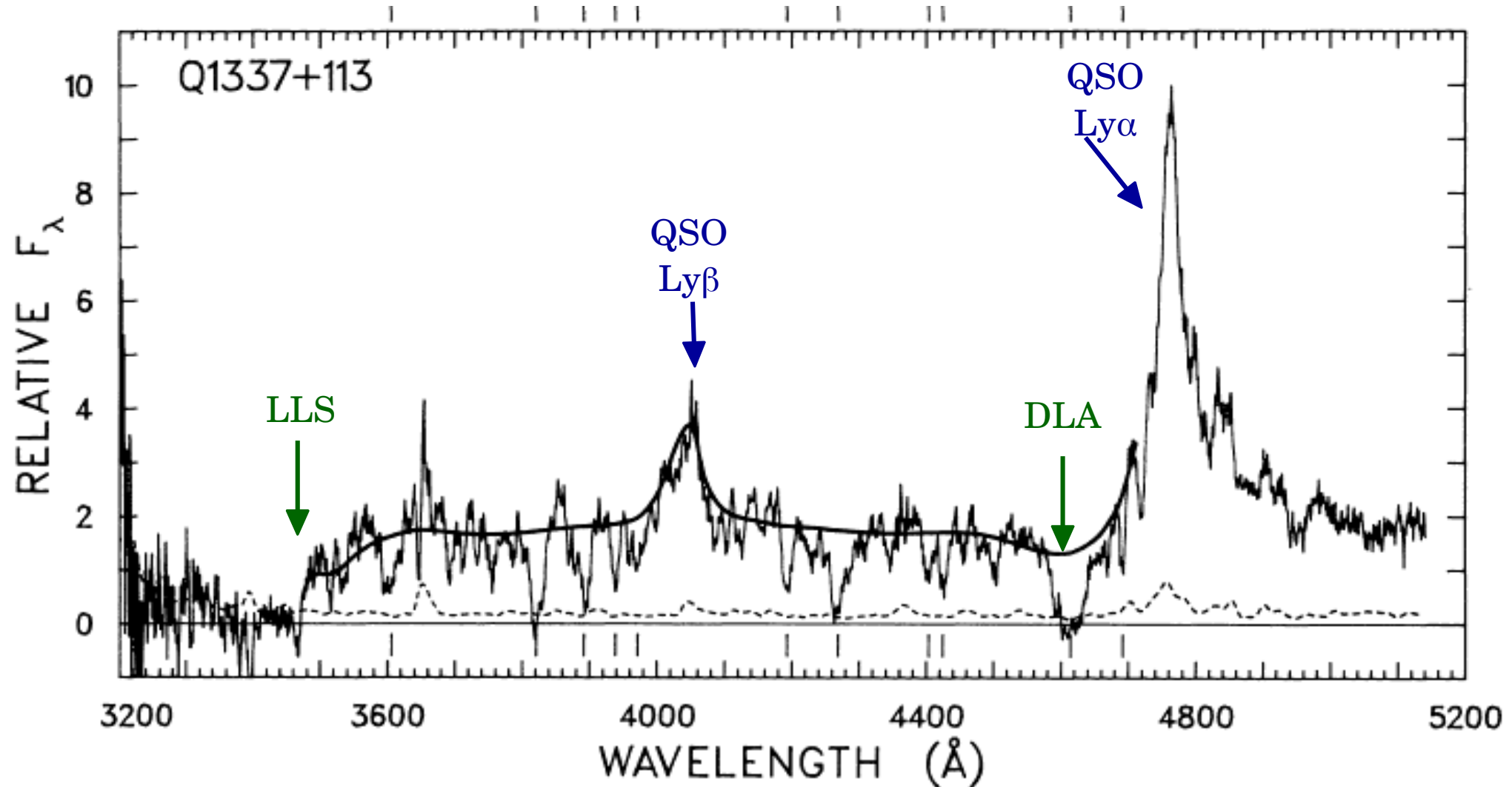
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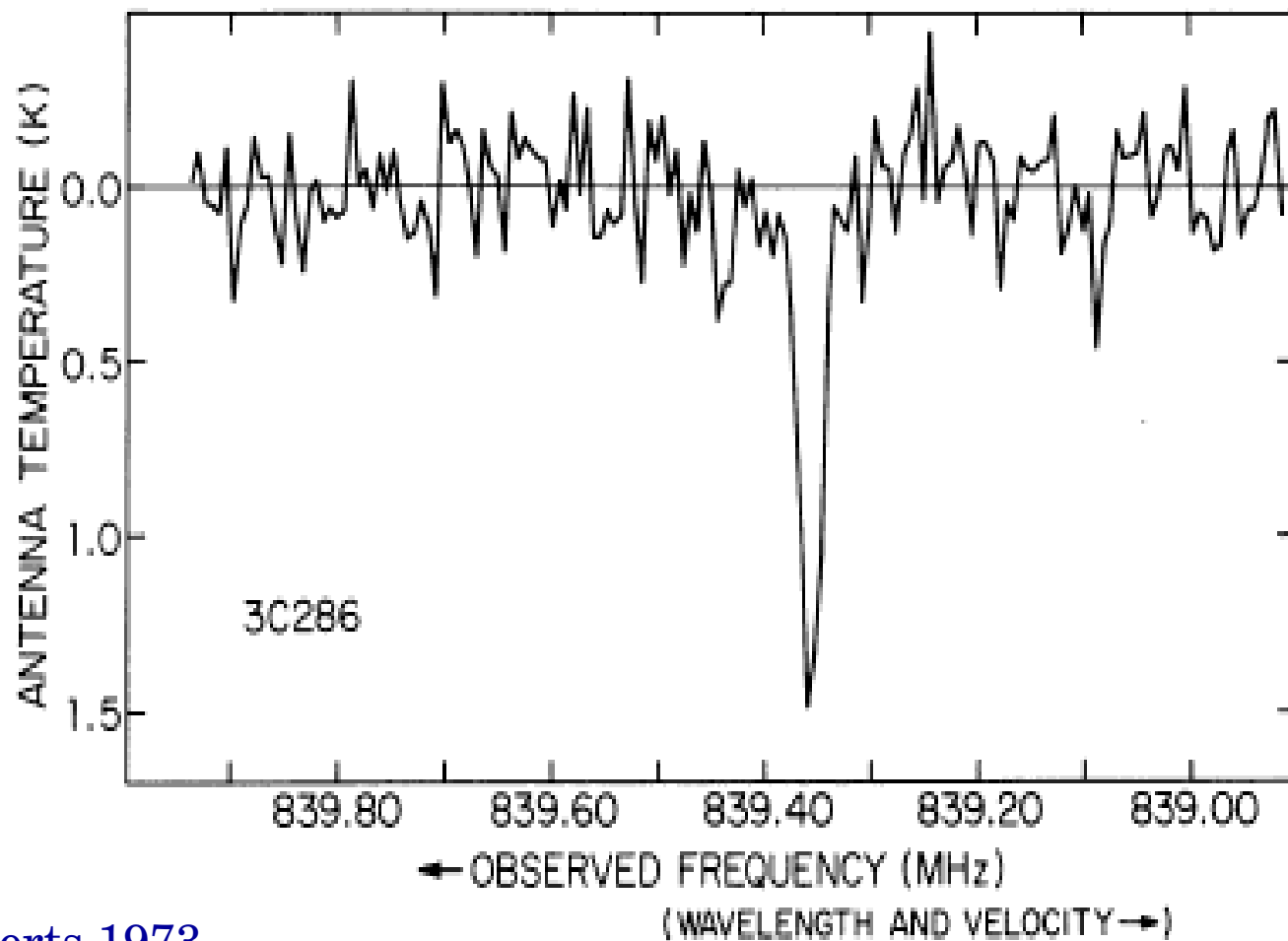


DLAs from 21cm (Wolfe)

No. 1, 1973

21-CM ABSORPTION IN 3C 286

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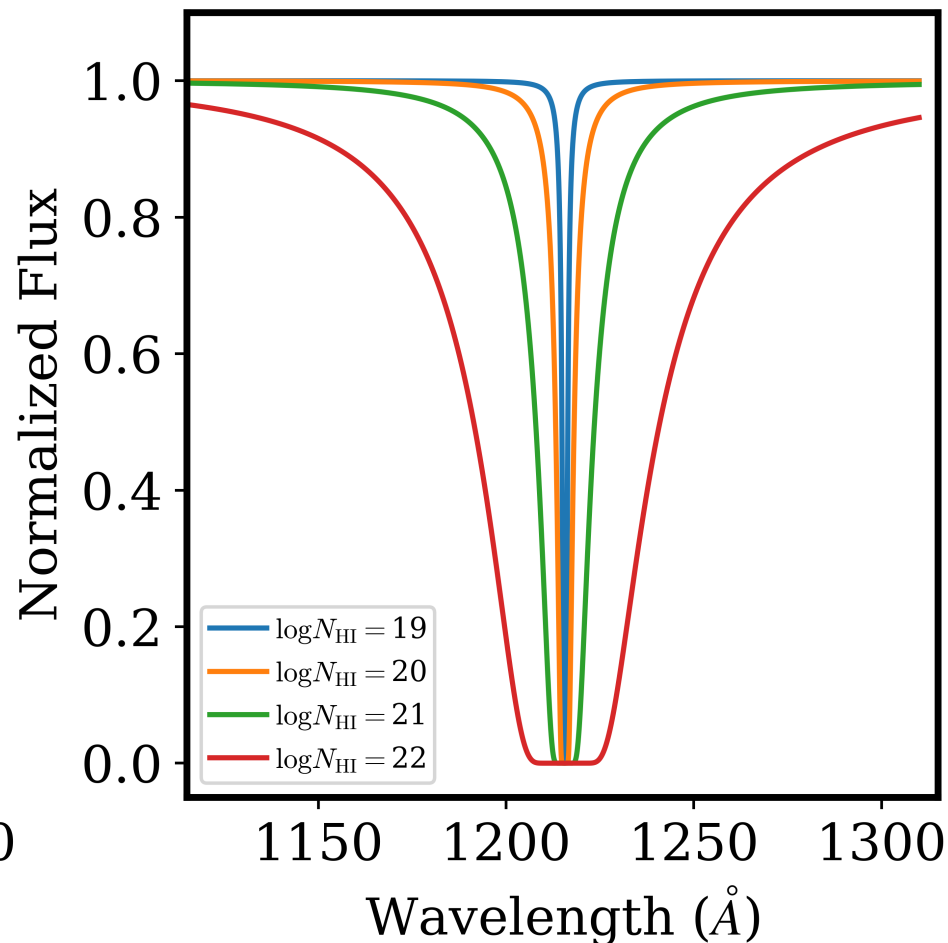
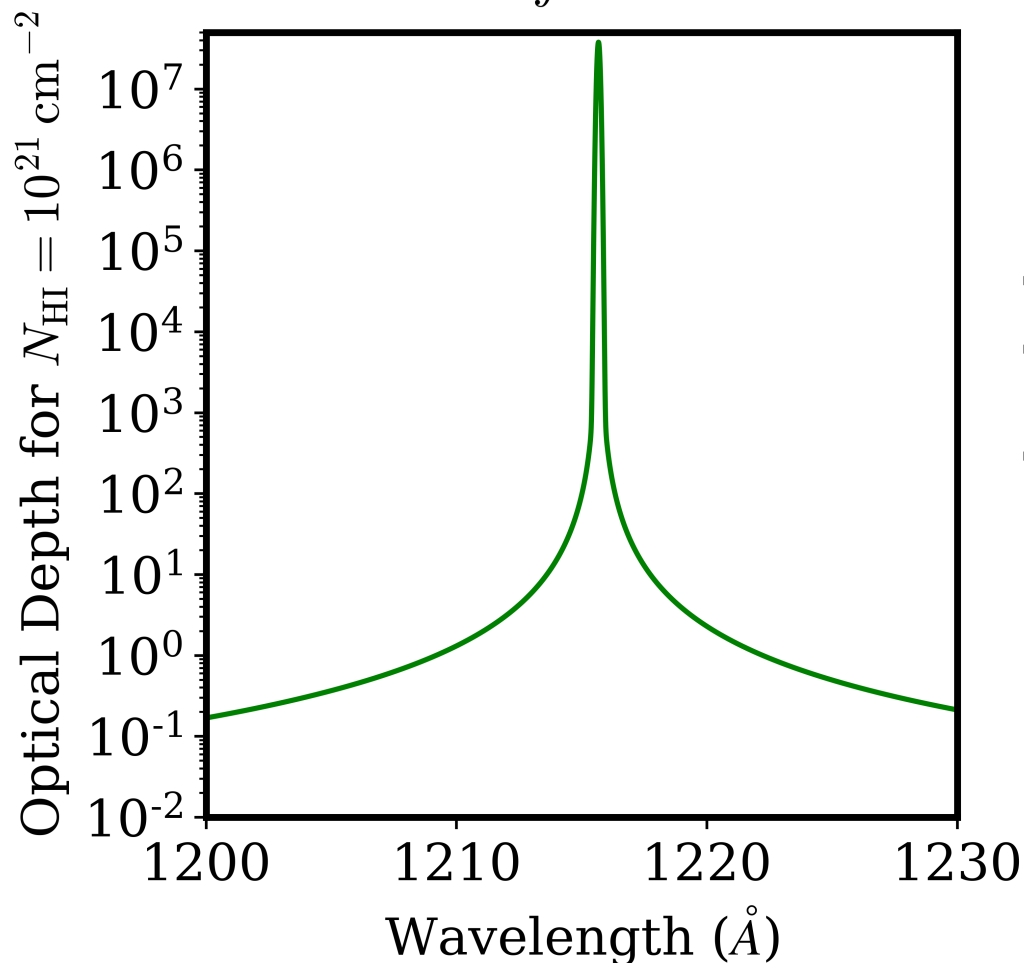
Brown&Roberts 1973

DLAs: Quantum Mechanics

$$\kappa_\nu = n_j \sigma_{jk}(\nu) \quad \tau_\nu = \sigma_\nu \int n_j ds$$

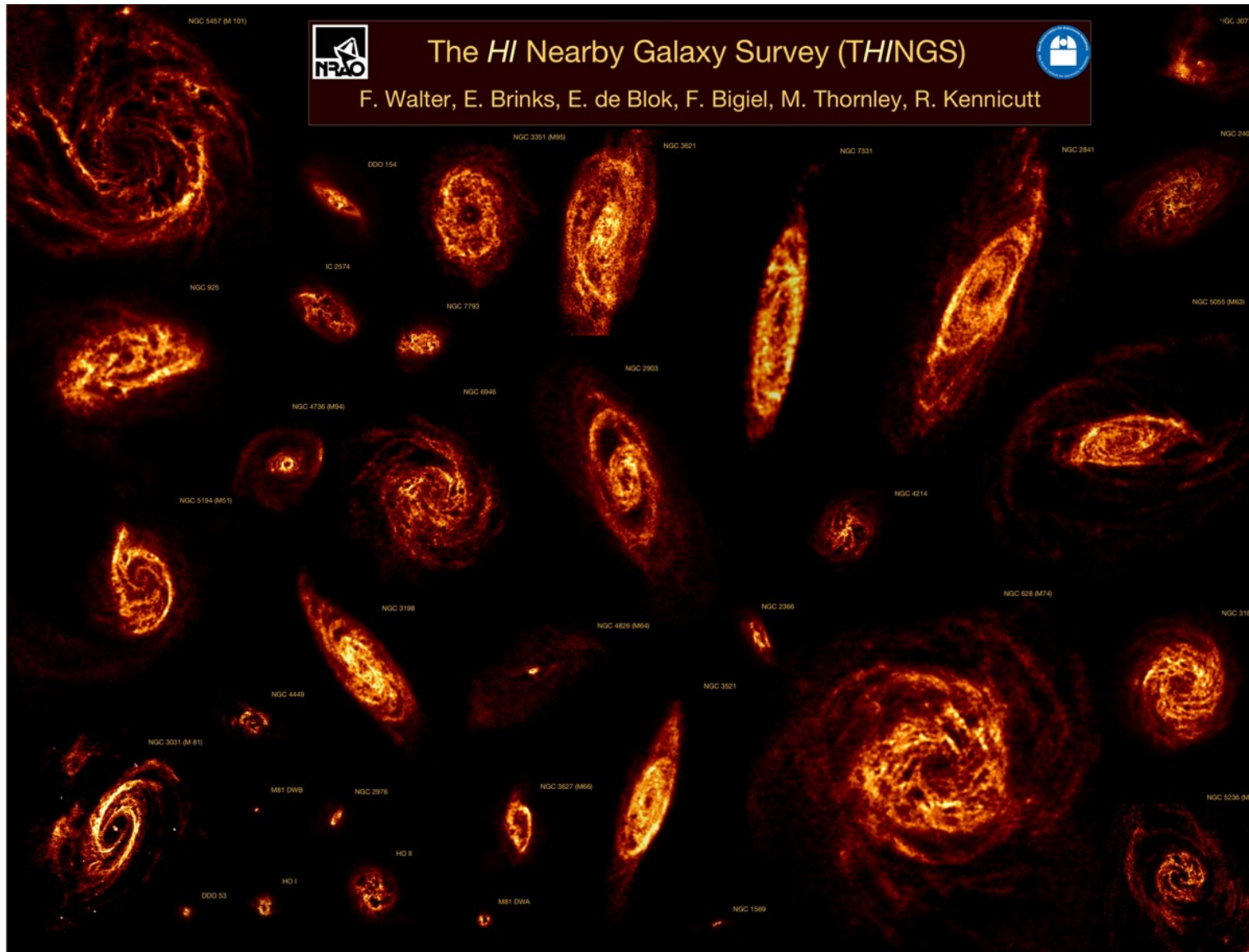
$$\sigma_\nu = \sigma_{jk} \phi_\nu \quad N_j \equiv \int n_j ds$$

$$\phi_V(\nu) = \frac{\gamma}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}\right)}{(\nu - \nu_{jk} - \nu_{jk}v/c)^2 + (\gamma/4\pi)^2} dv$$



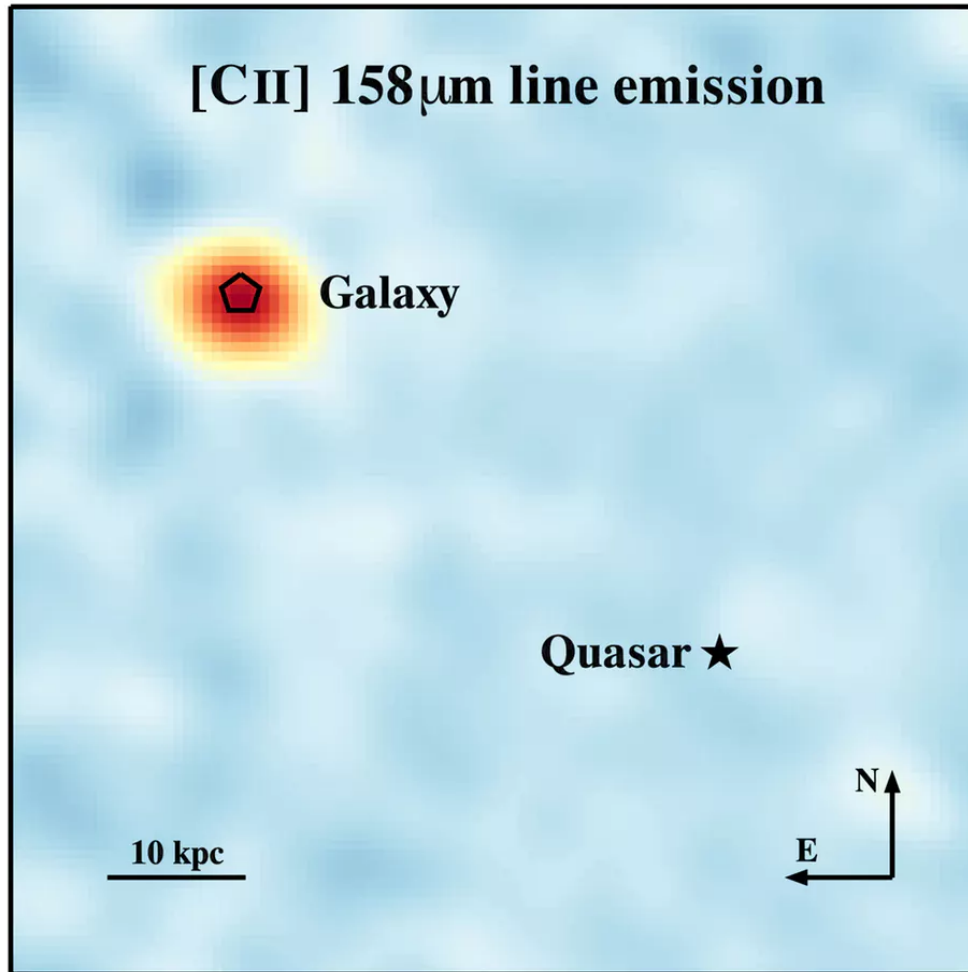
DLAs in the Modern Universe

Kim+
Zwaan+
Walter+

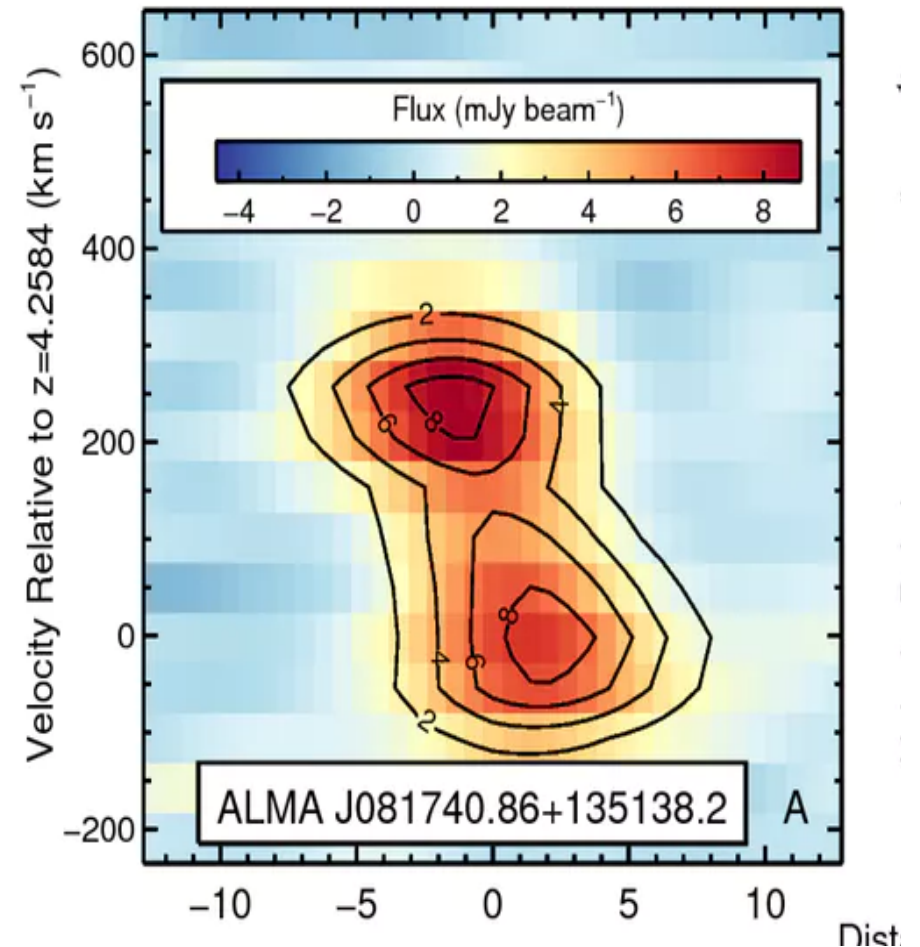


Cold, neutral gas in galaxies. Aka the Interstellar Medium (ISM)

DLAs in the Distant Universe



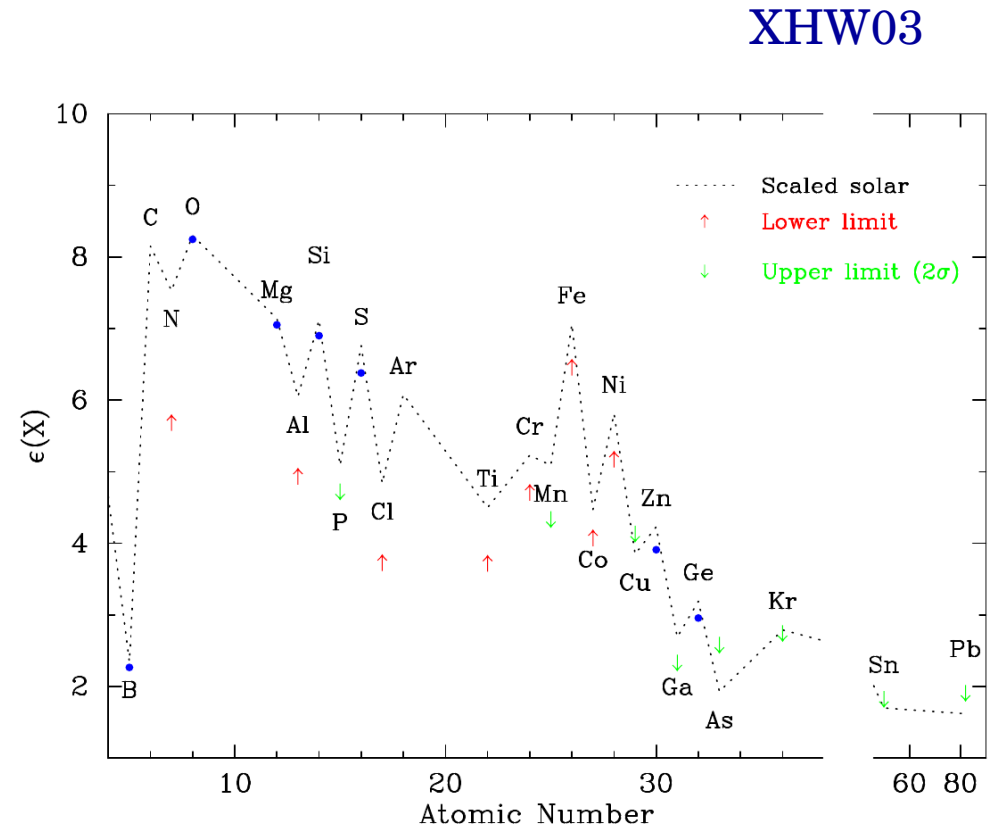
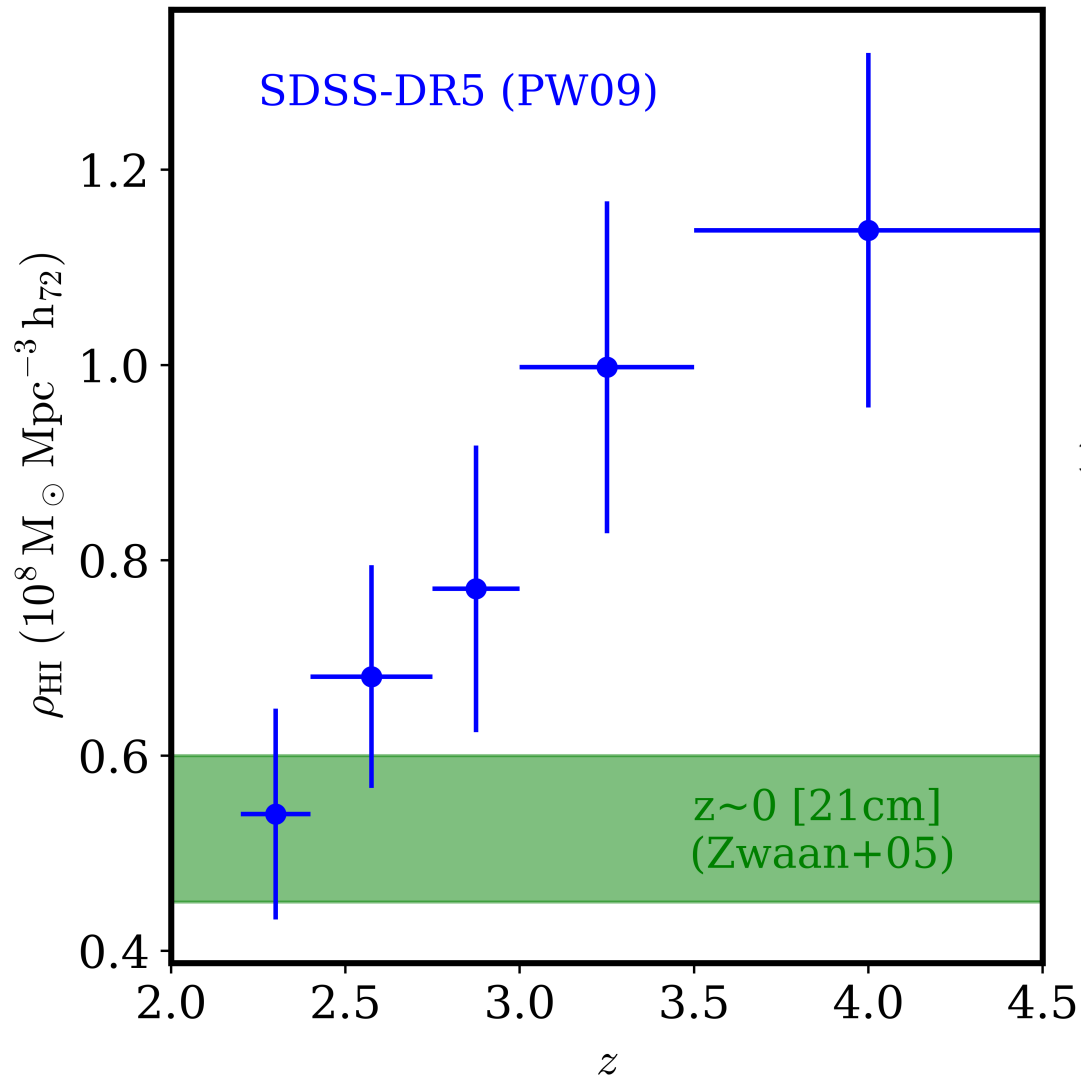
Neeleman+17



Cold, neutral gas in galaxies? Or around galaxies (aka CGM)??!

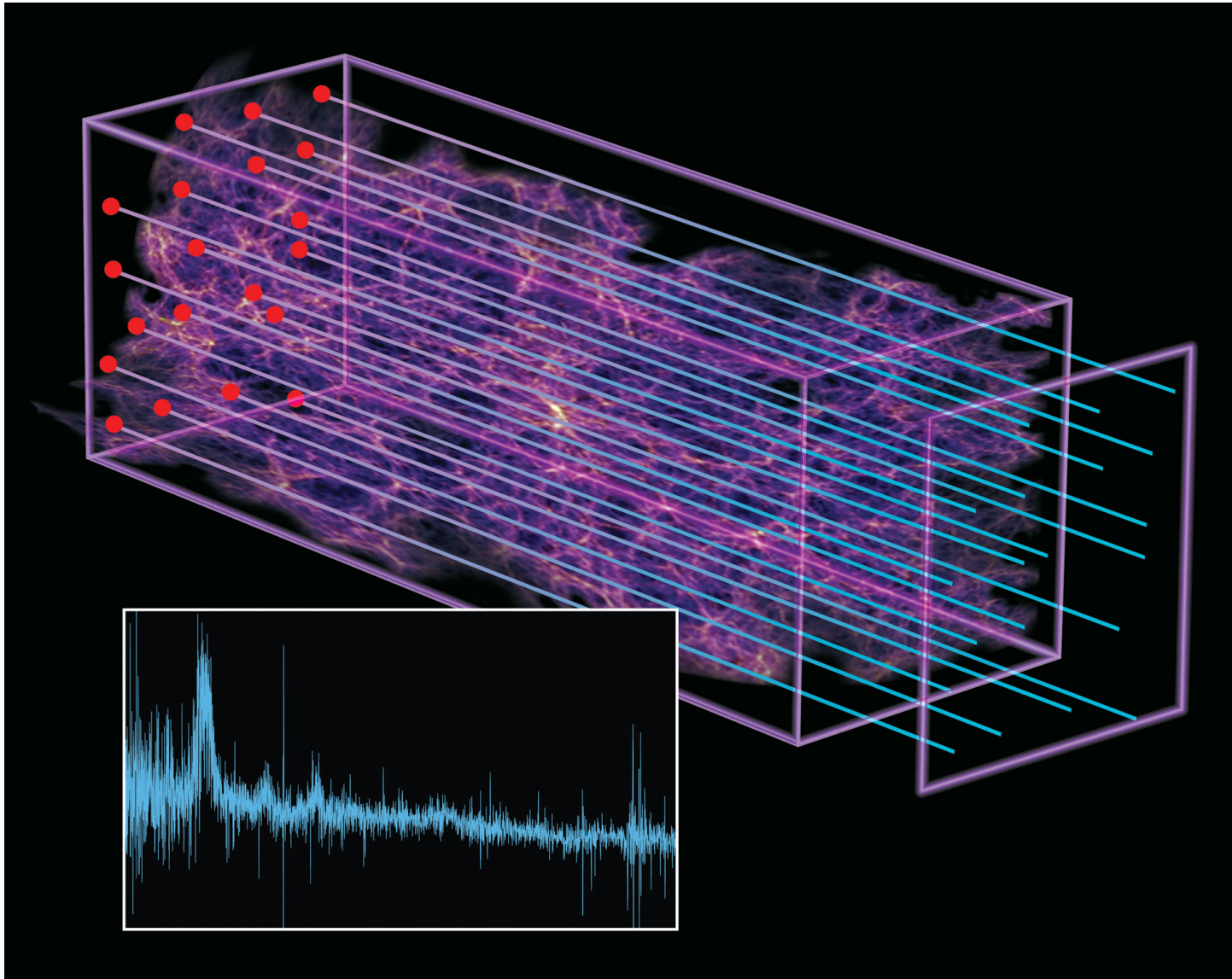
[see <https://vimeo.com/209248385>]

DLA Science



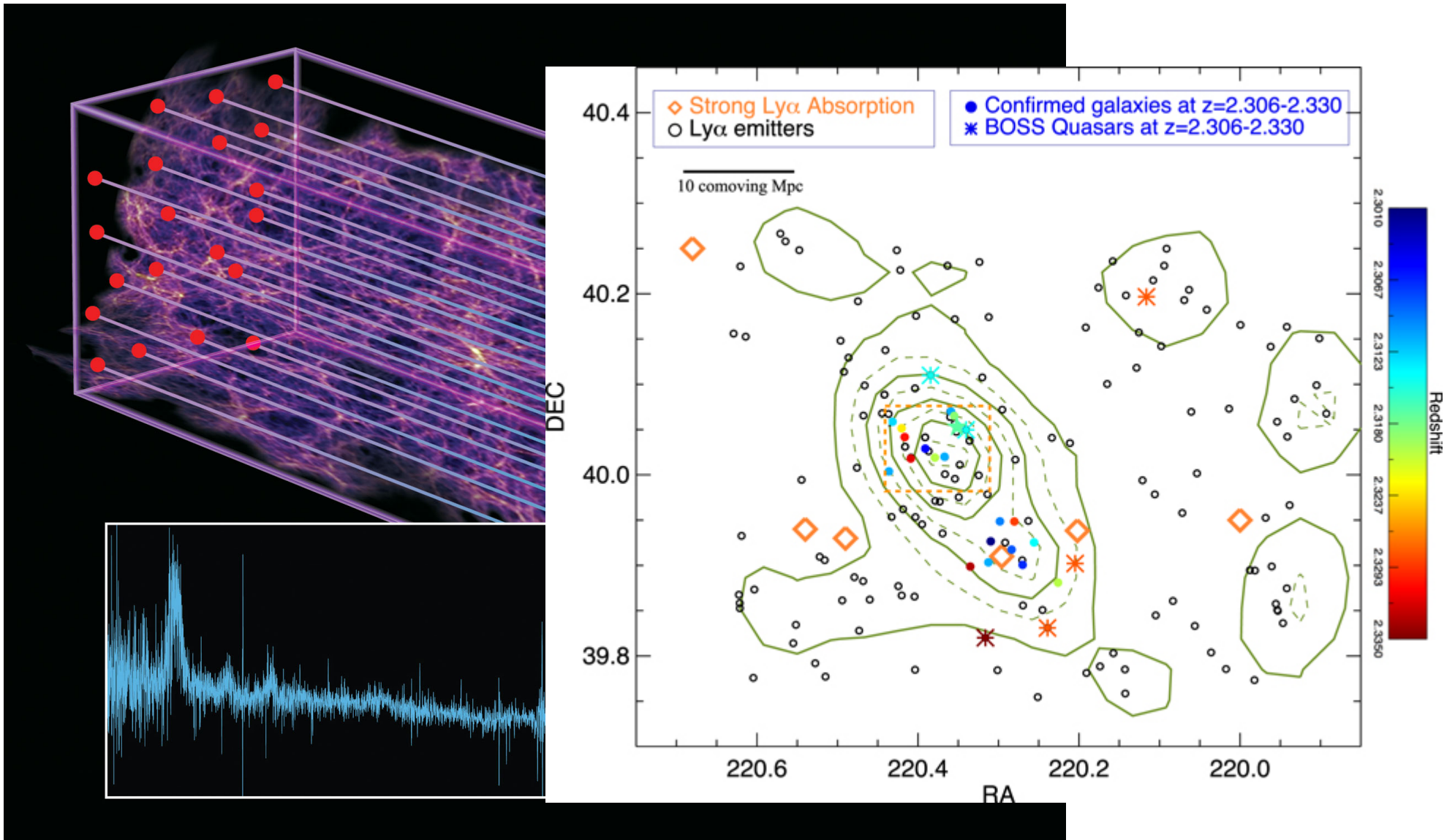
Cosmological measurements; nucleosynthesis; galaxy formation

DLA as Contaminants



Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations (Solzar+15)
Search for protoclusters (MAMMOTH; Cai+17)

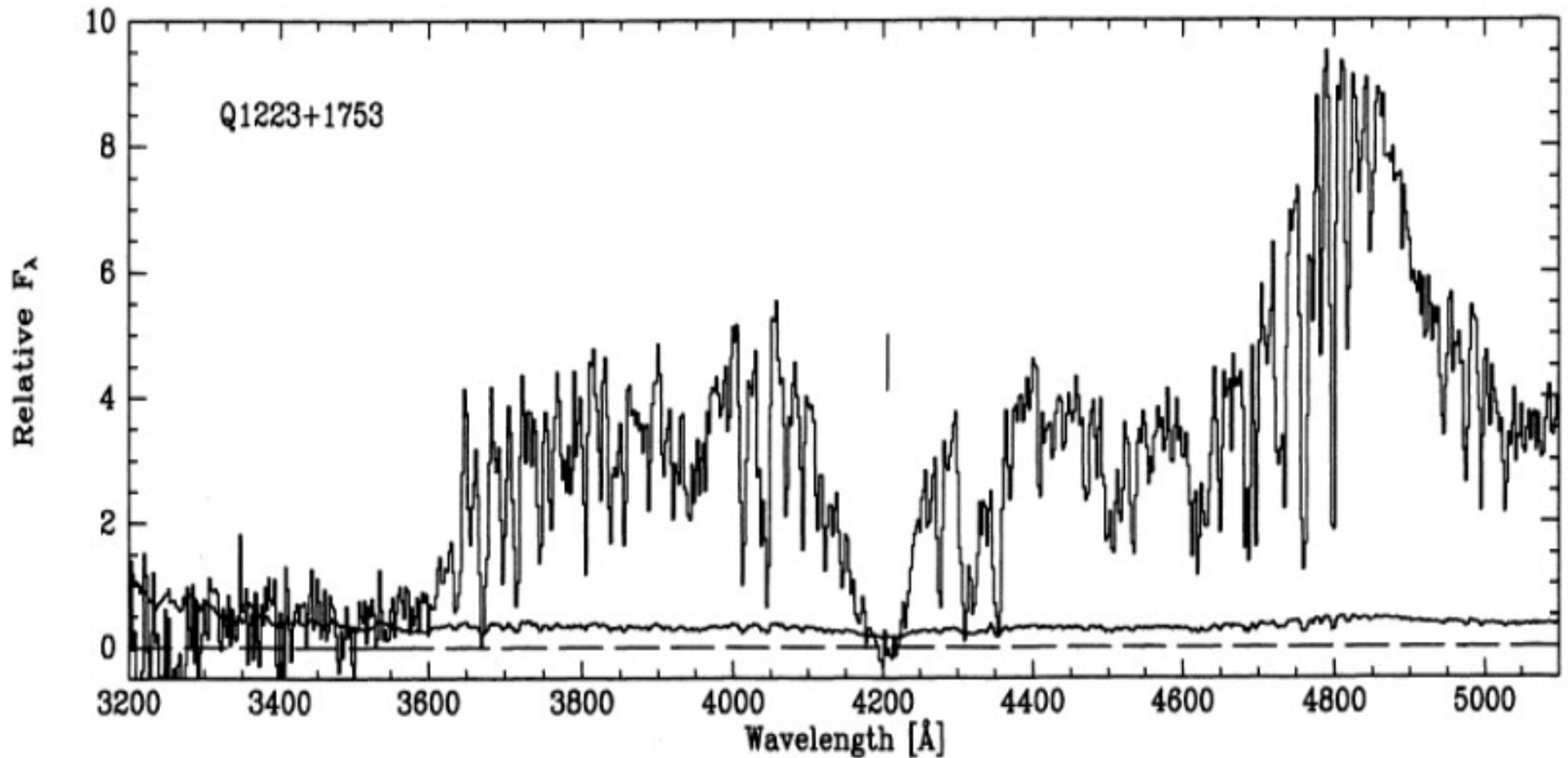
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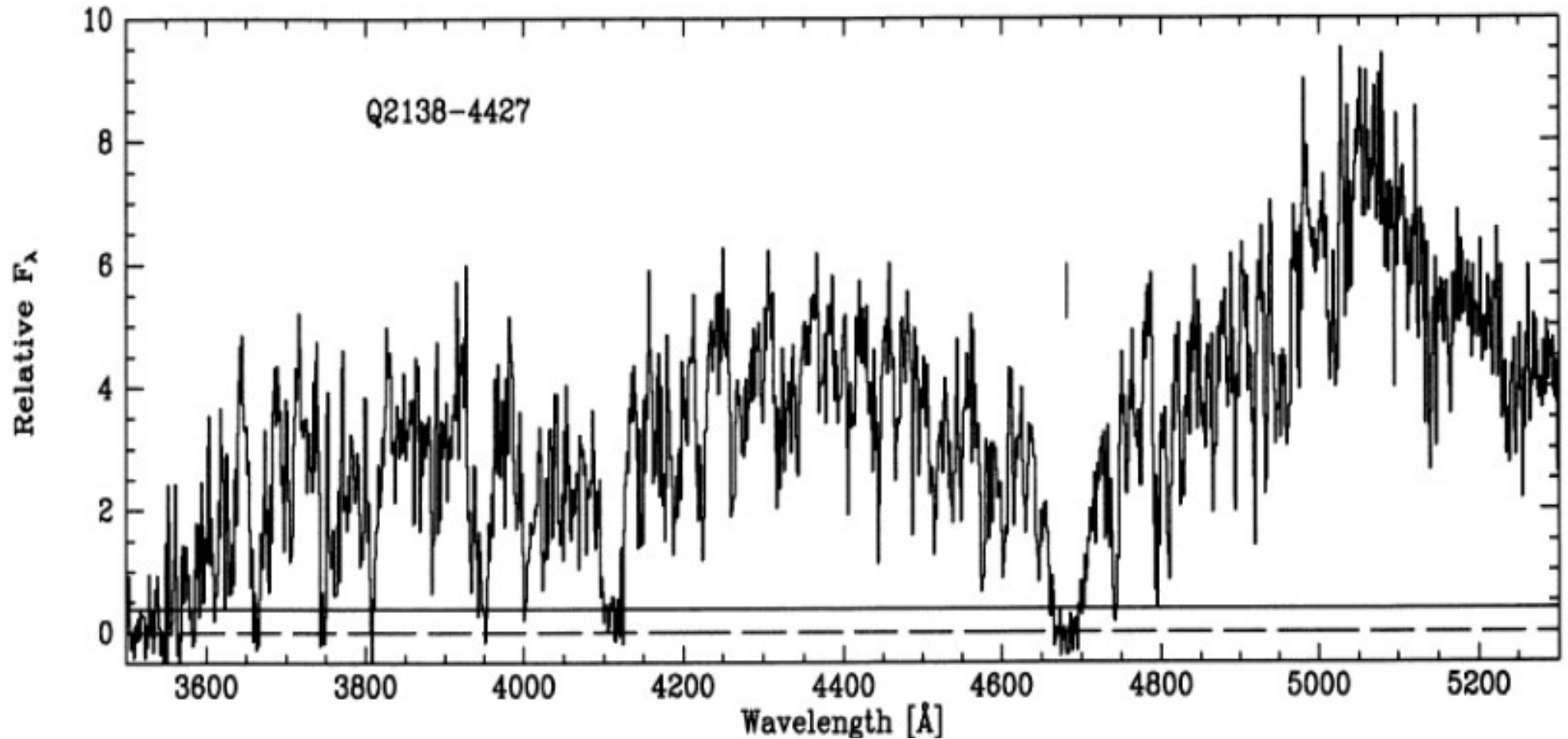
Wolfe+95



Visual inspection (first error array!); by-eye N_{HI} fitting

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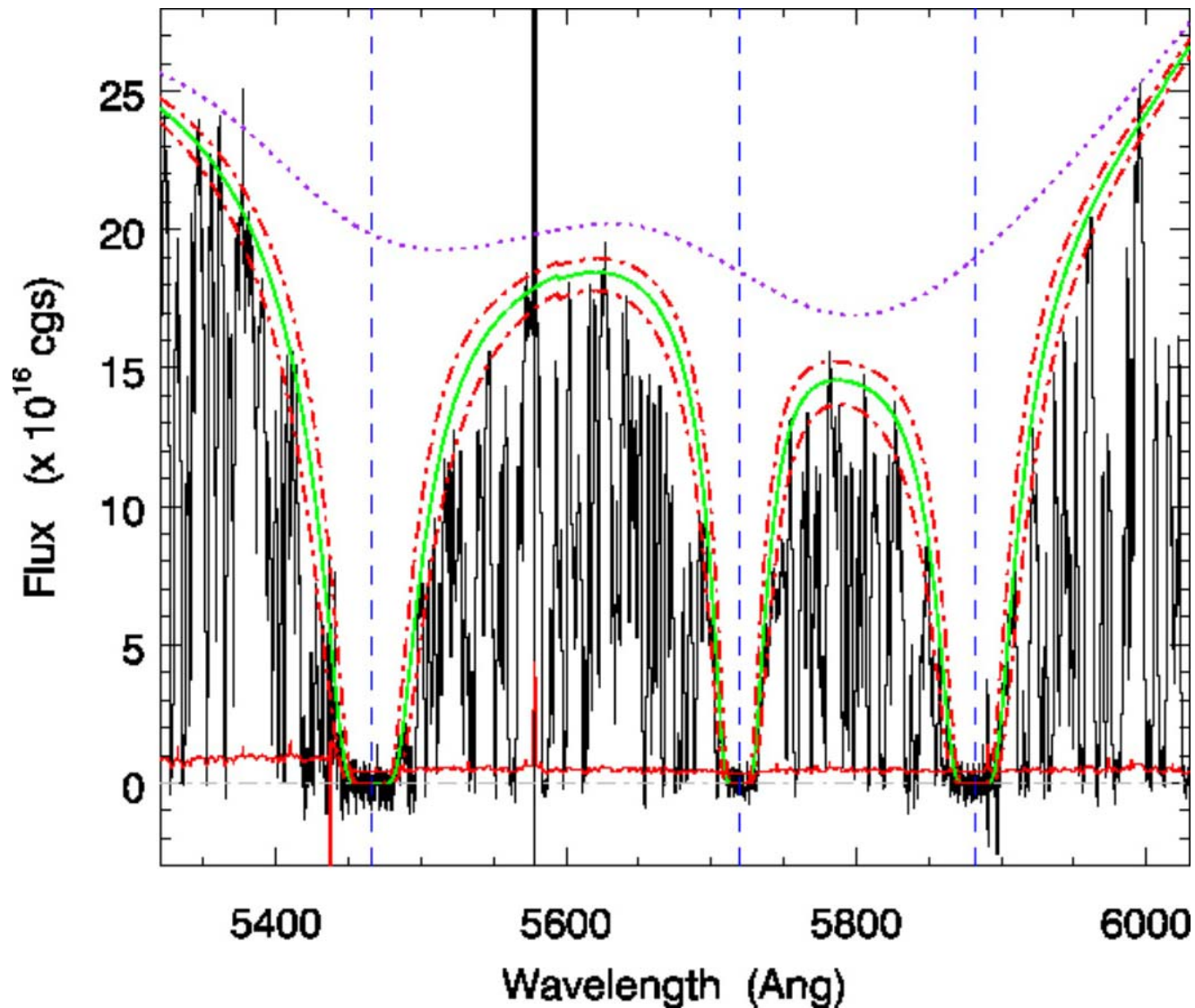
Wolfe+95



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DLA Analysis (Old School)

X+03



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DLA Analysis (Early SDSS)

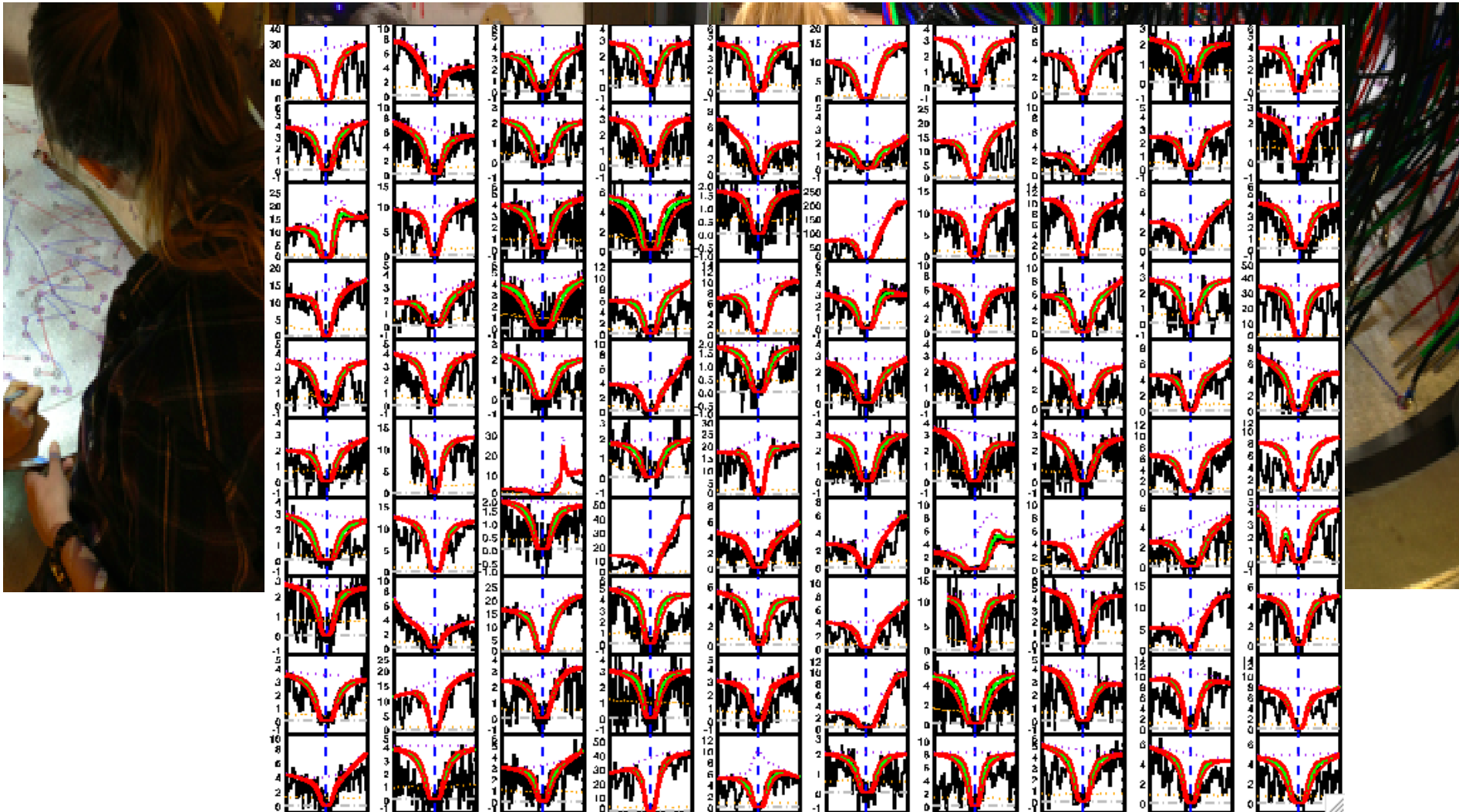
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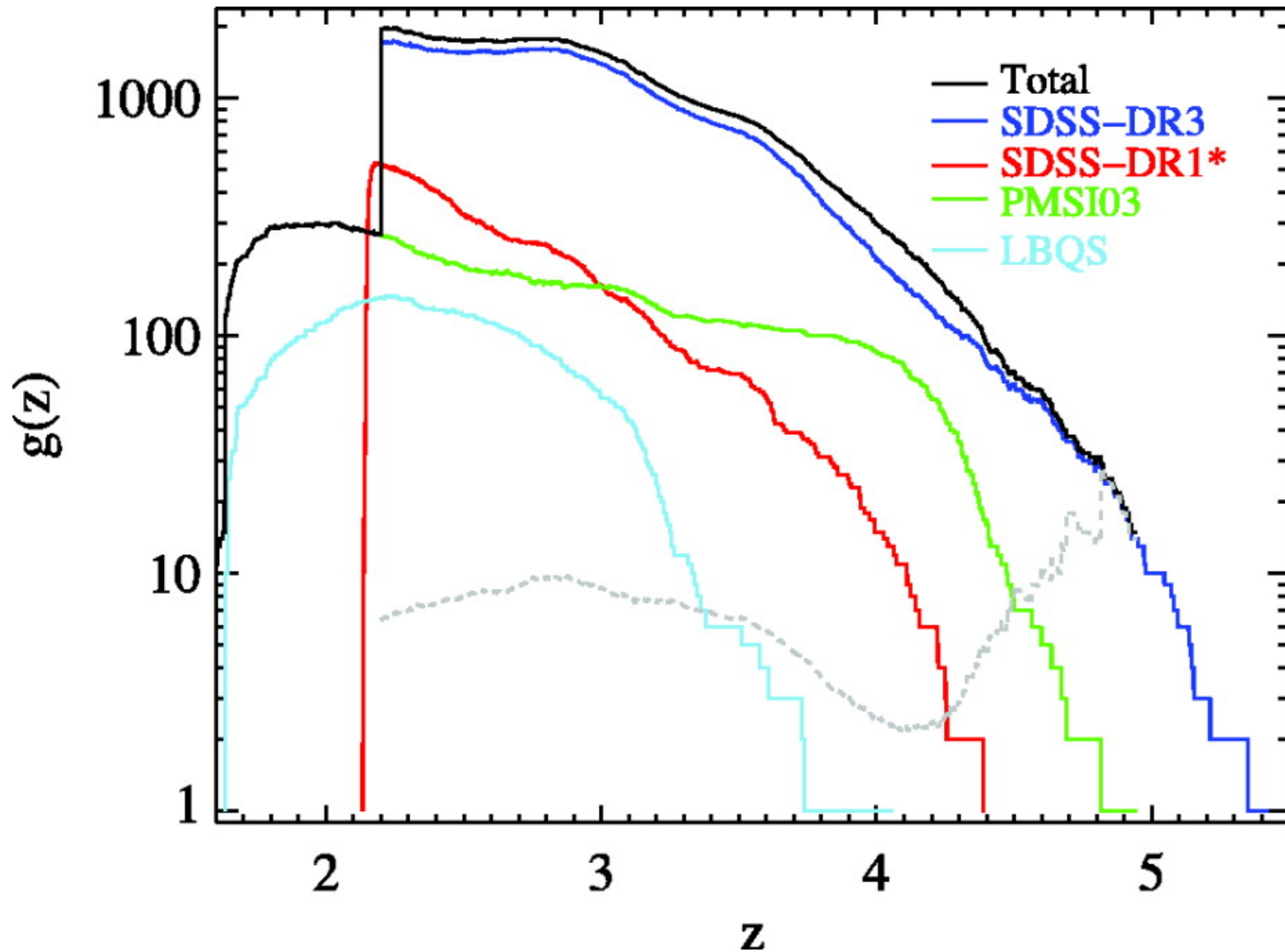
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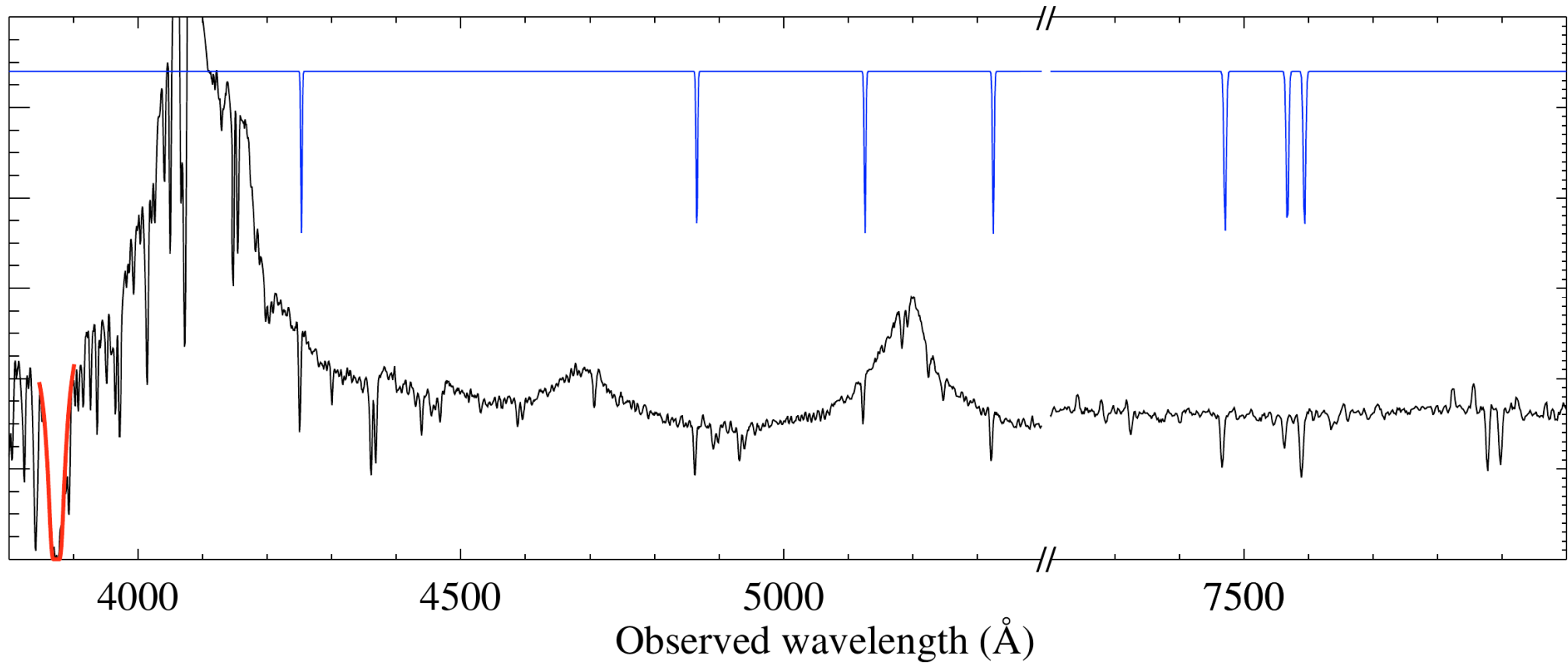
X+03
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Survey path: Number of QSOs examined for DLAs

DLA Analysis (BOSS)

Noterdaeme+09,12



Spearman Correlation Analysis

DLA Analysis (BOSS)

$$\Pr(\mathcal{M} \mid \mathcal{D}) = \frac{p(\mathcal{D} \mid \mathcal{M}) \Pr(\mathcal{M})}{p(\mathcal{D})} = \frac{p(\mathcal{D} \mid \mathcal{M}) \Pr(\mathcal{M})}{\sum_i p(\mathcal{D} \mid \mathcal{M}_i) \Pr(\mathcal{M}_i)},$$

$$p(f) = \mathcal{GP}(f; \mu, K),$$

Garnett, Ho,
Bird 2016

Learned Gaussian Process model

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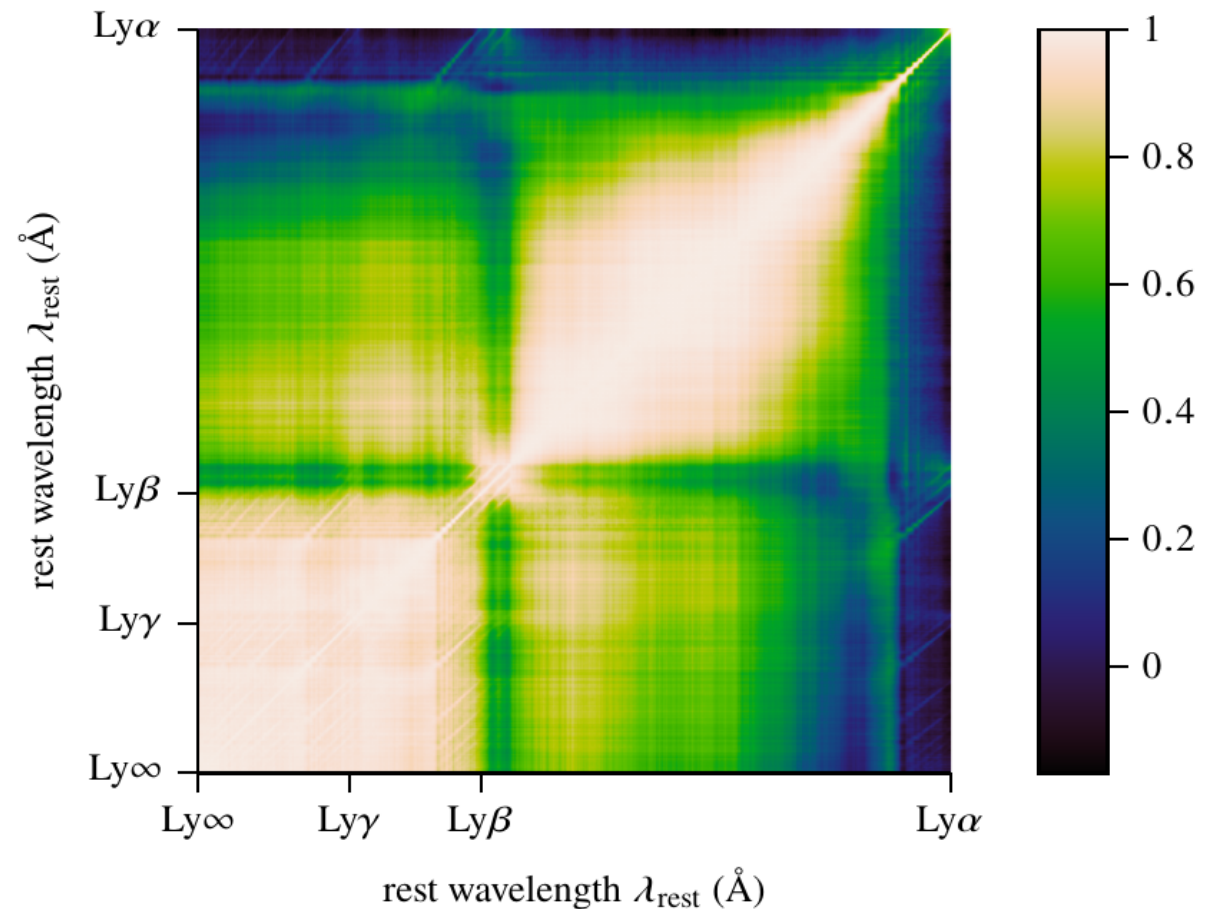
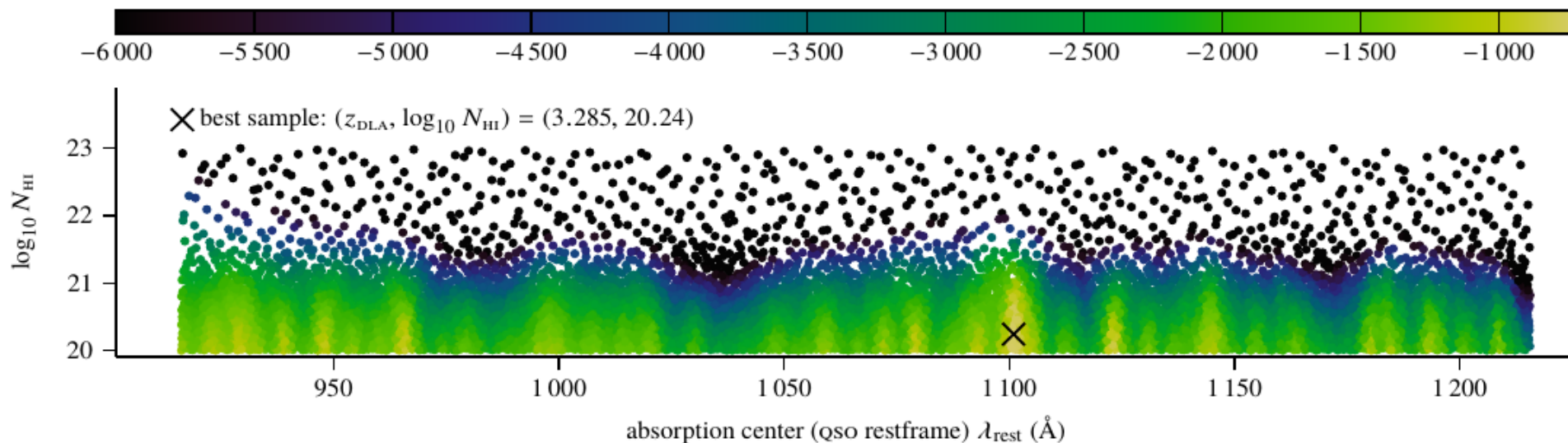


Figure 5. The observation covariance matrix $\mathbf{K}$ corresponding to the learned parameters shown in Figure 4. The entries have been normalized to give unit diagonal; the entries are therefore correlations rather than raw covariances.

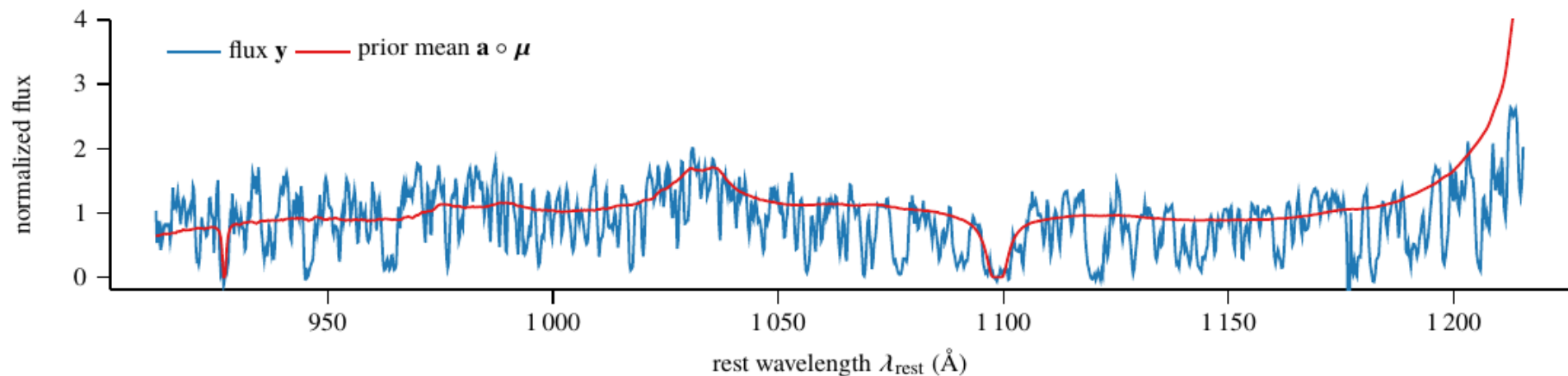
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DLA Analysis (BOSS)



(b) Sample log likelihoods for DLA model, $\{\log p(\mathbf{y} \mid \lambda, \mathbf{v}, z_{\text{QSO}}, \theta_i, \mathcal{M}_{\text{DLA}})\}$.



(c) DLA model: $\log p(\mathbf{y} \mid \lambda, \mathbf{v}, z_{\text{QSO}}, \mathcal{M}_{\text{DLA}}) = -730$.

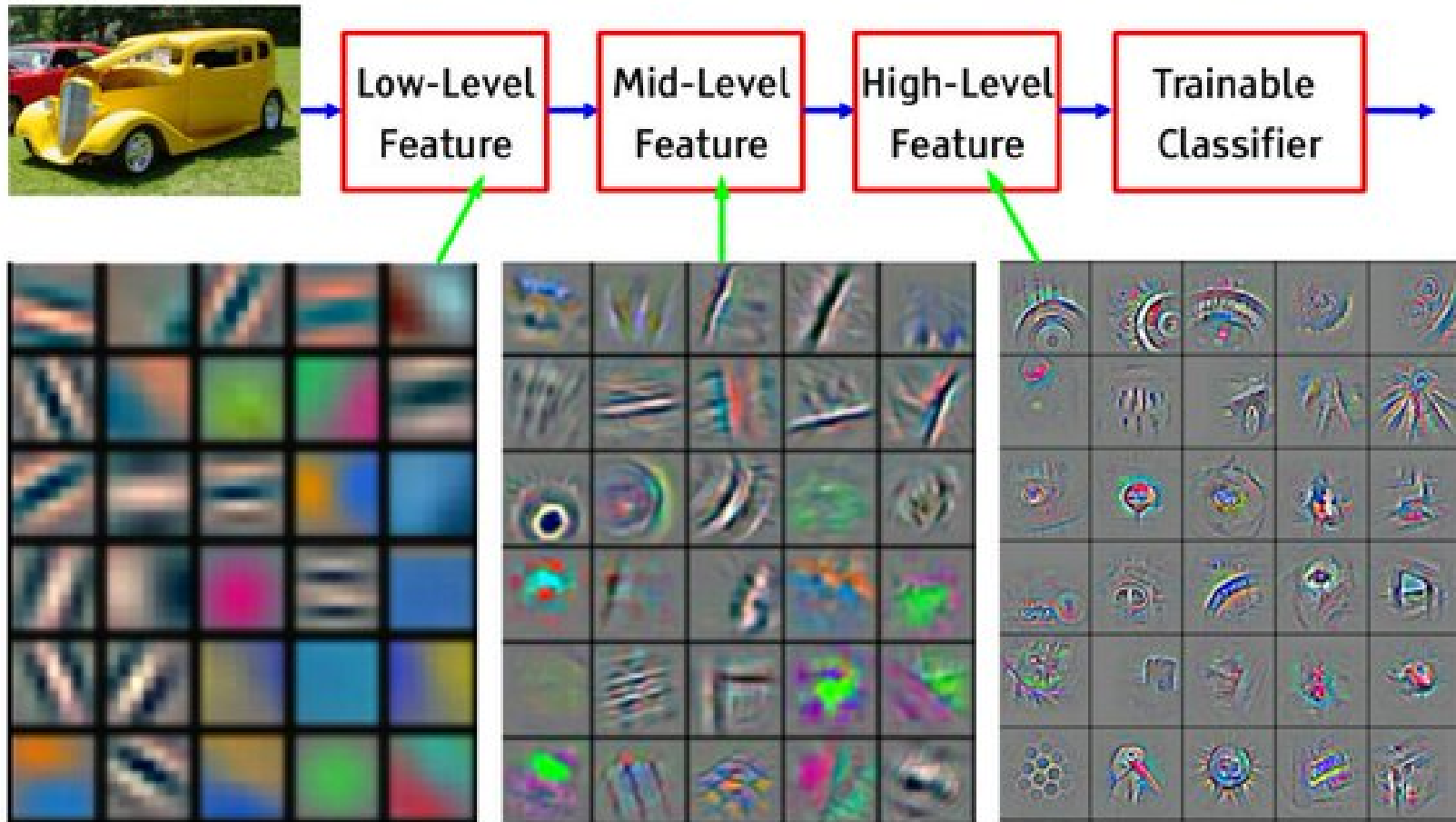
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Learned Gaussian Process model

Deep Learning

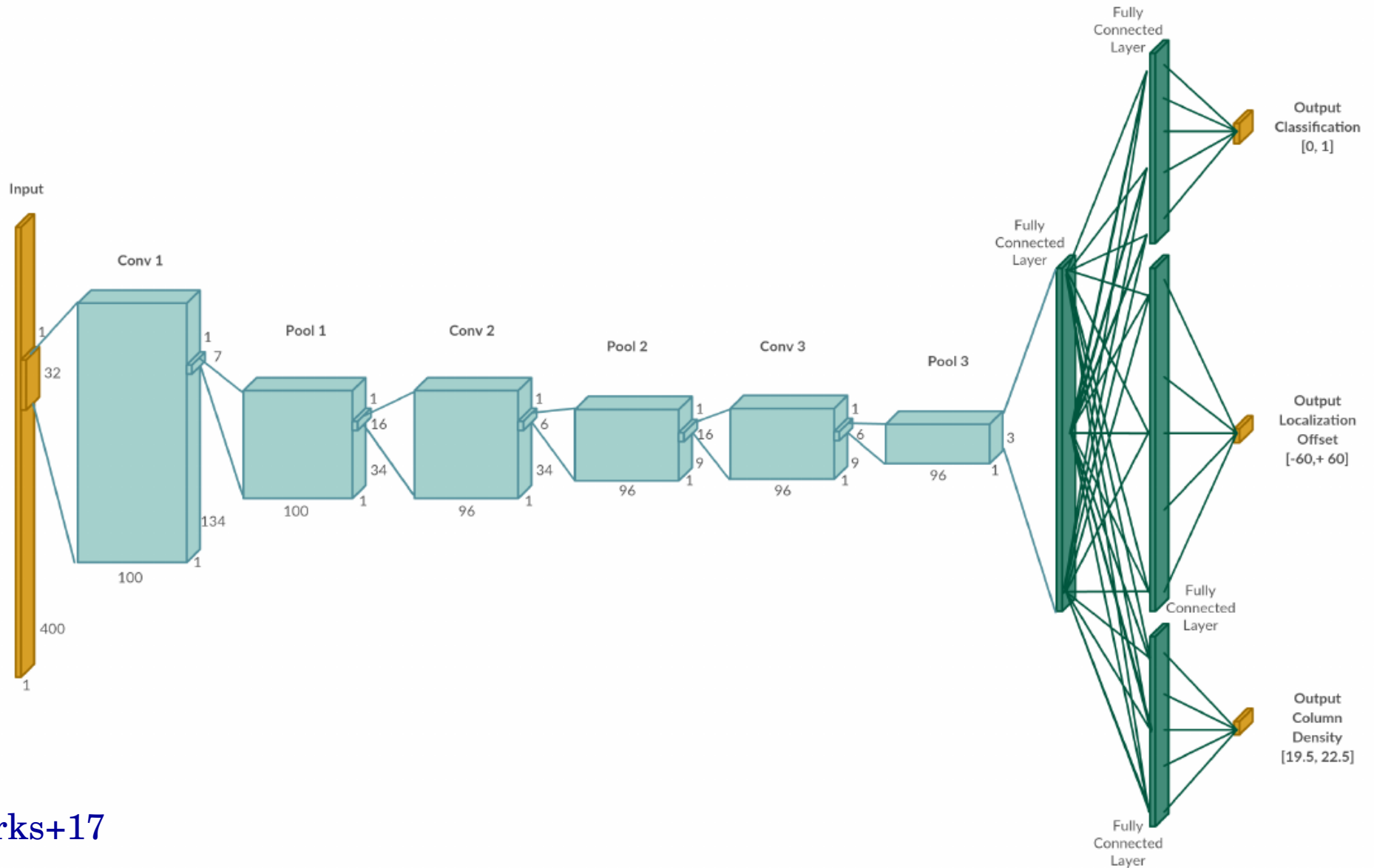


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Deep Learning of DLAs



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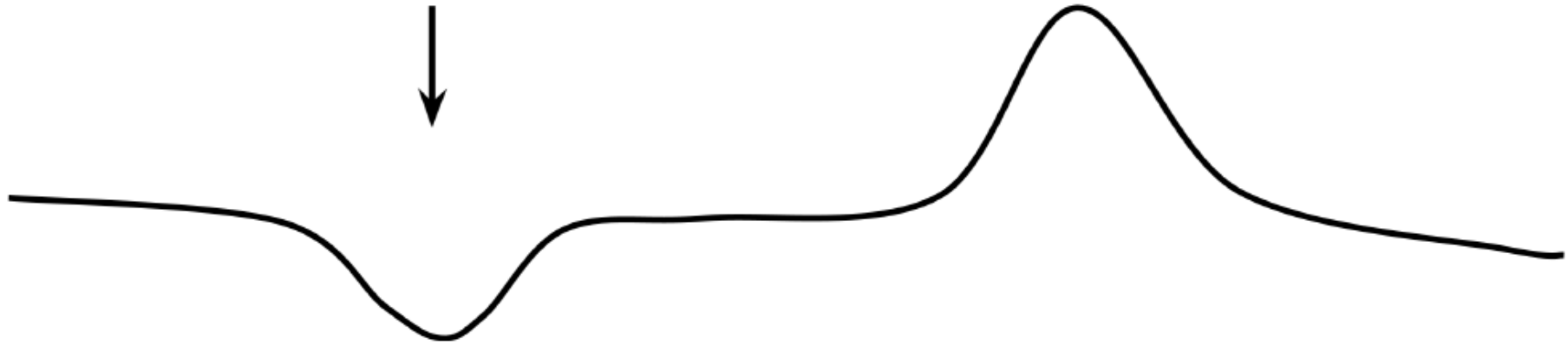
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Neural Network architecture for our DLA Algorithm:
Cast the spectrum snippet as a 1D image

CNN Labels and Learning

DLA



0	0	0	0	-60	...	-3	-2	-1	0	+1	+2	+3	...	+60	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	21.4	...	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	...	21.4	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	...	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	1	0	0	0	0

Localization
NHI (Column Density)
Classification

Three labels at each pixel: (1) Localization [i.e. redshift];
(2) HI column density; (3) Classification

Multi-task Learning: Combined loss function for all three labels

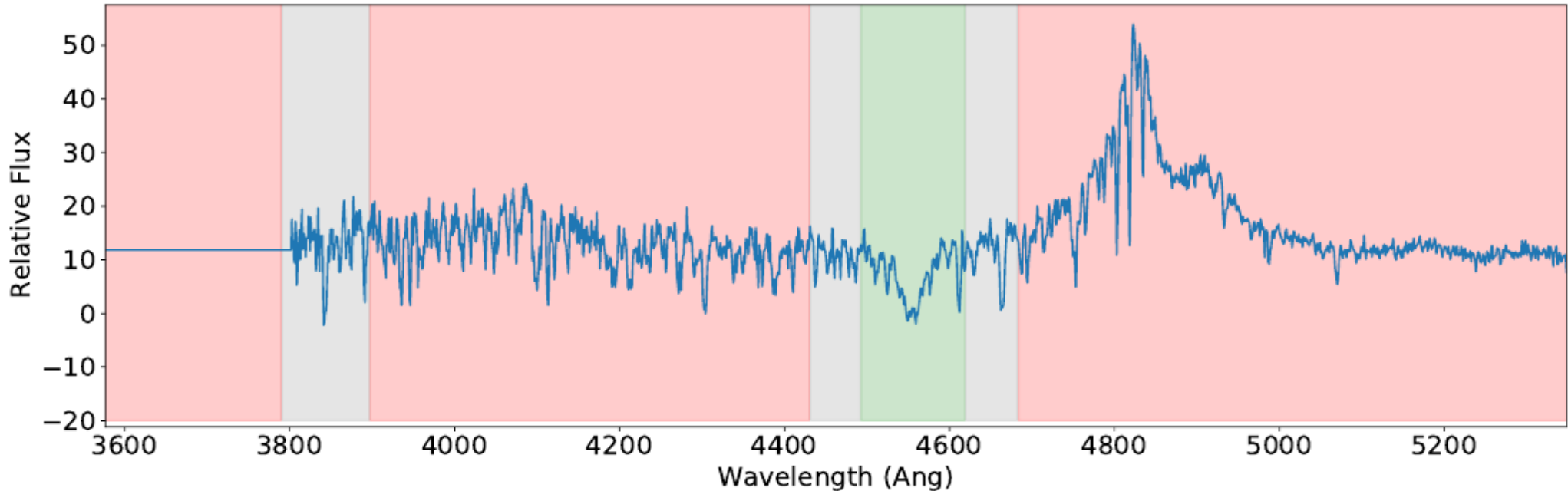
$$\mathcal{L}_c = -y_c \log(\hat{y}_c) - (1 - y_c) \log(1 - \hat{y}_c)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_o = (y_o - \hat{y}_o)^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_h = \left(\frac{y_c}{y_c + \epsilon} \right) (y_h - \hat{y}_h)^2$$

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CNN Training

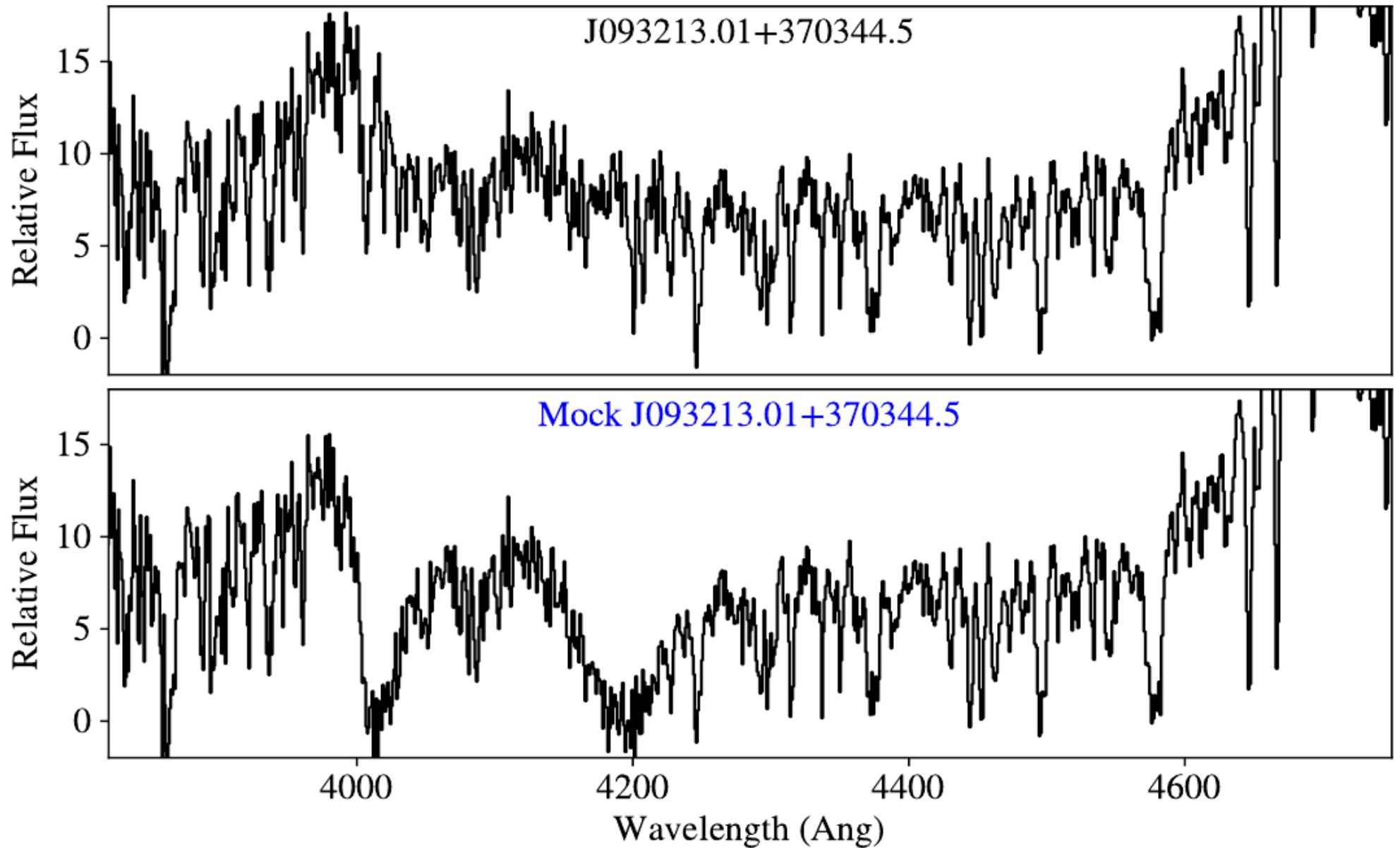


200,000 sightlines of DLAs injected into ‘DLA-free’ quasar spectra from the SDSS-DR5.

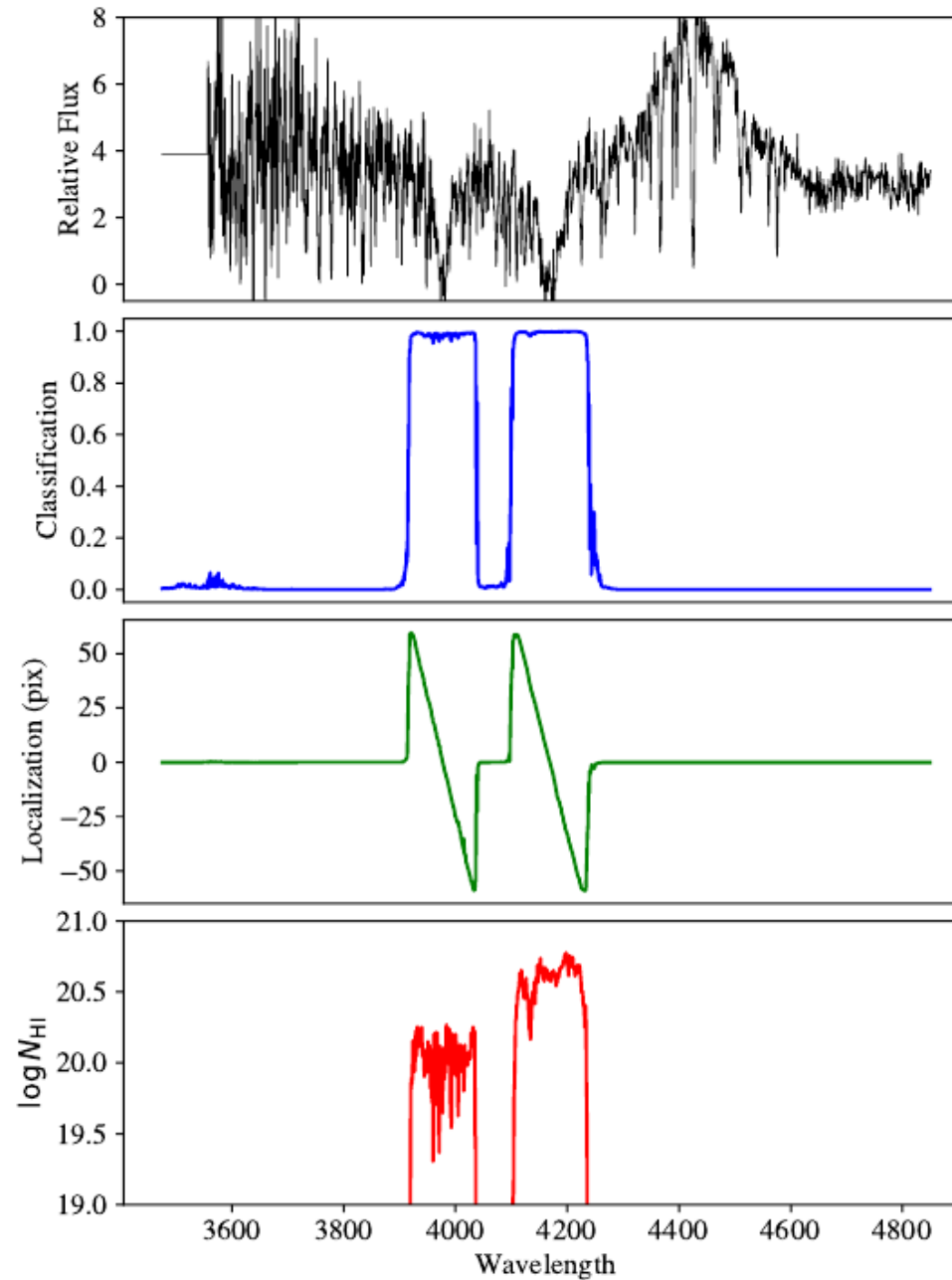
By-hand addition of additional training sets: high N_{HI} , SLLS

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CNN Training

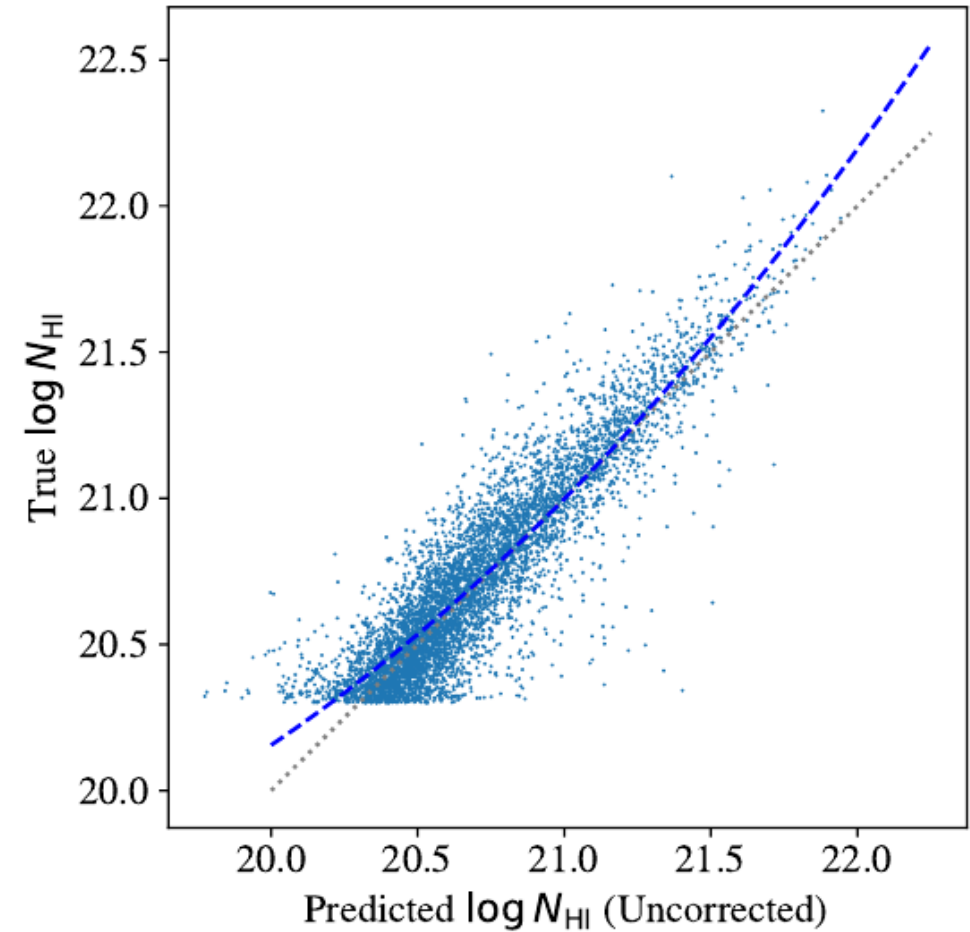
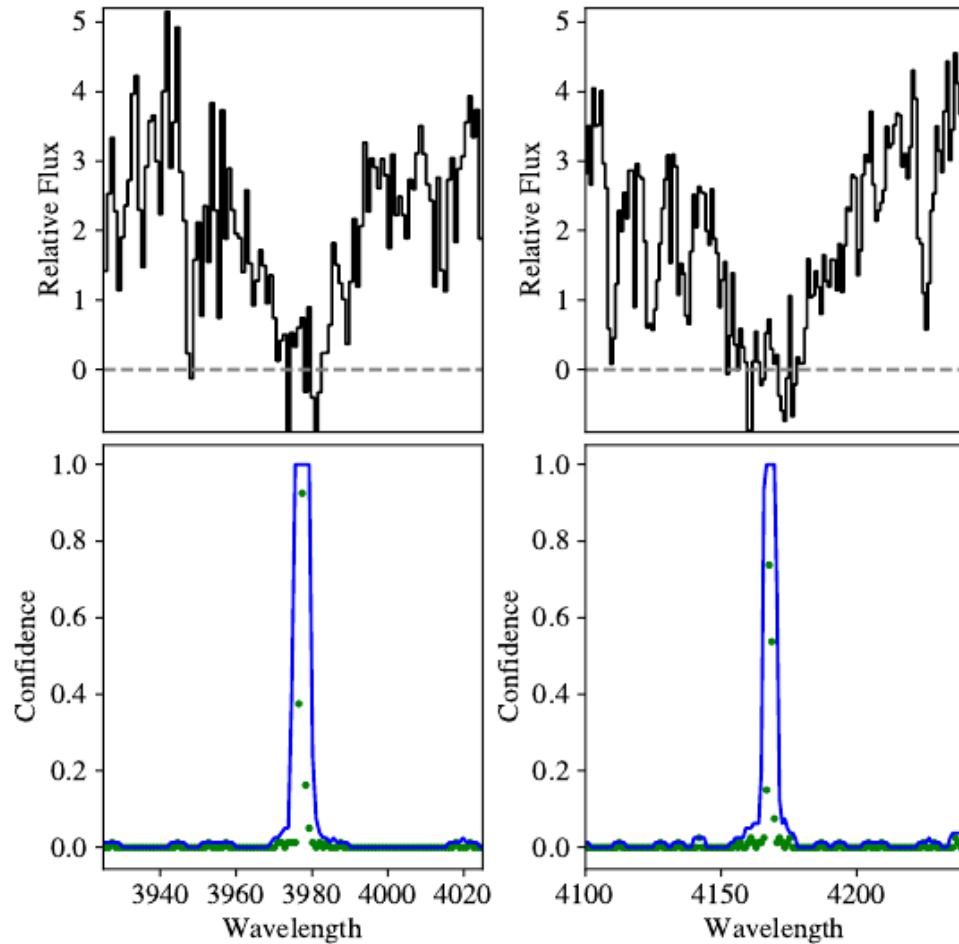


CNN Validation



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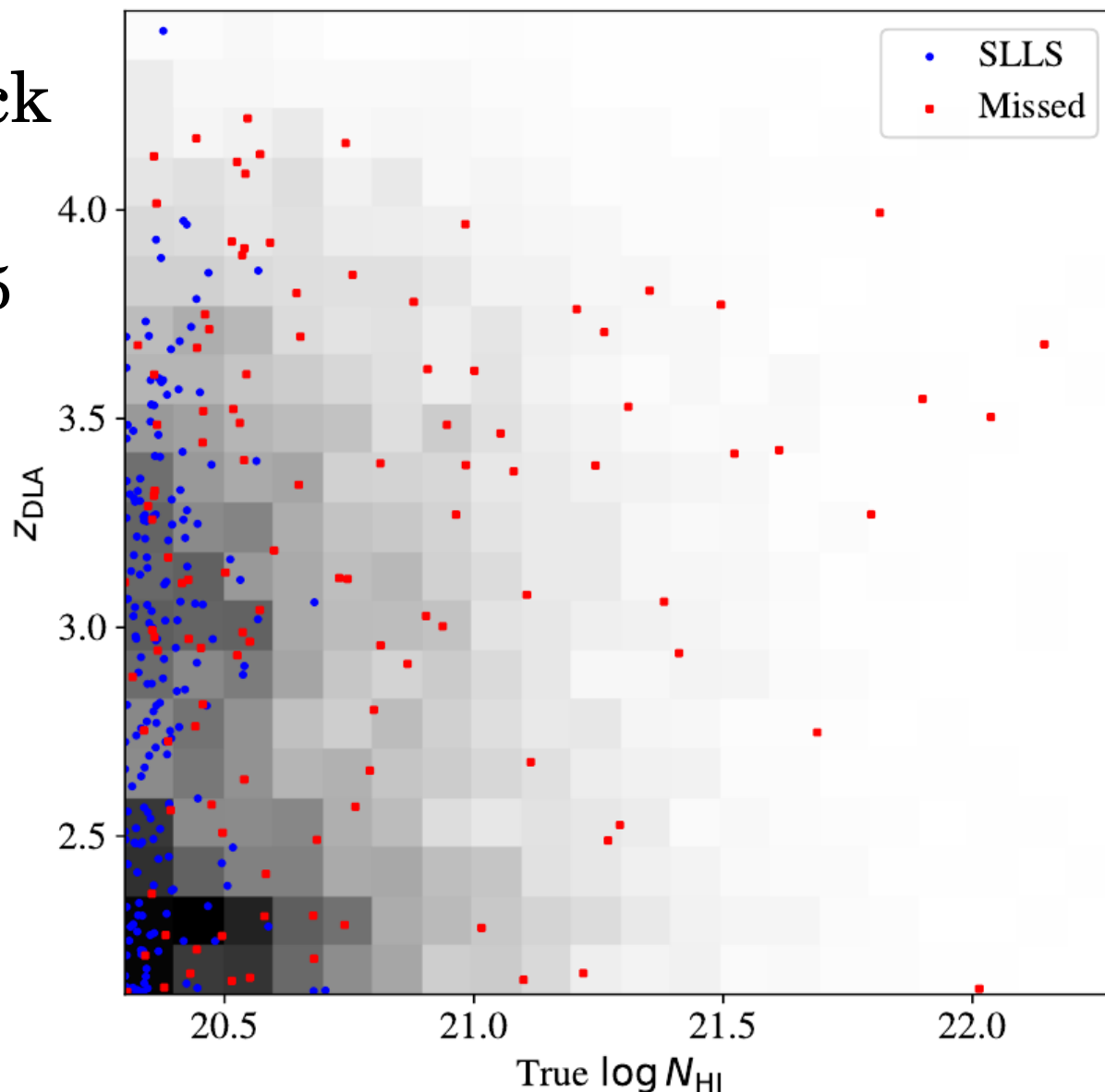
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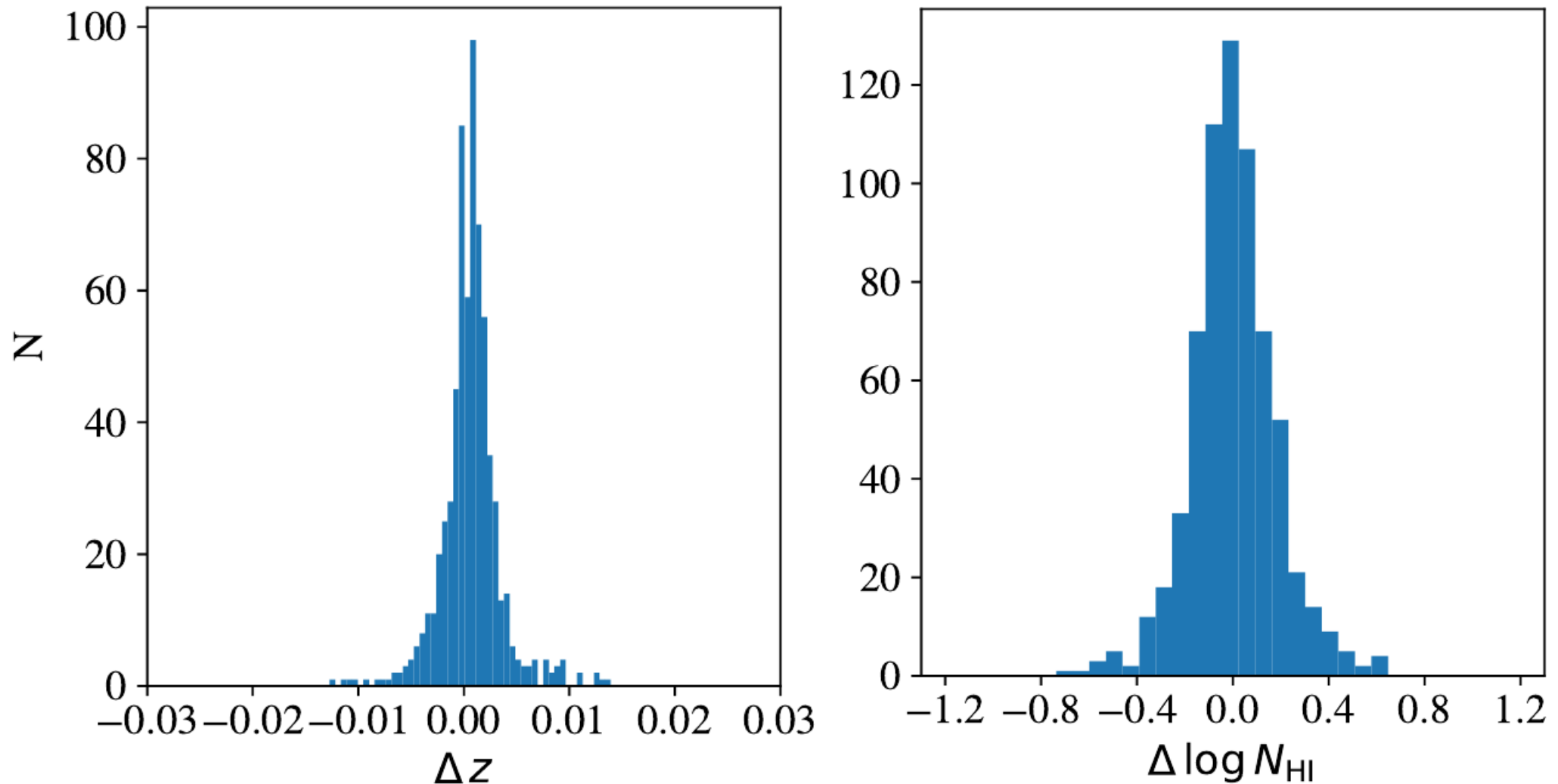
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CNN Validation

- 11,110 DLAs held back
 - Matched 99% of these to within $|dz| < 0.015$
- ~300 false negatives
 - Primarily SLLS
 - Overlapping DLAs
- 74 ‘false positives’
 - Some may be real
 - Overlapping DLAs



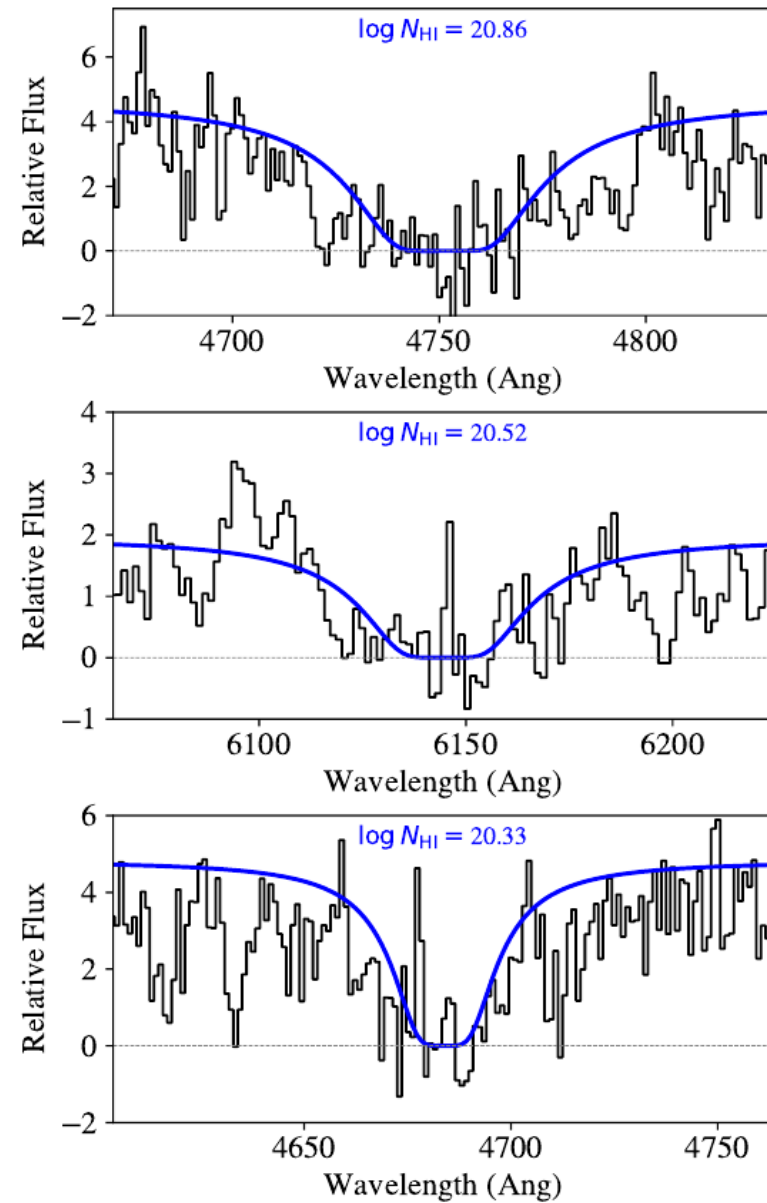
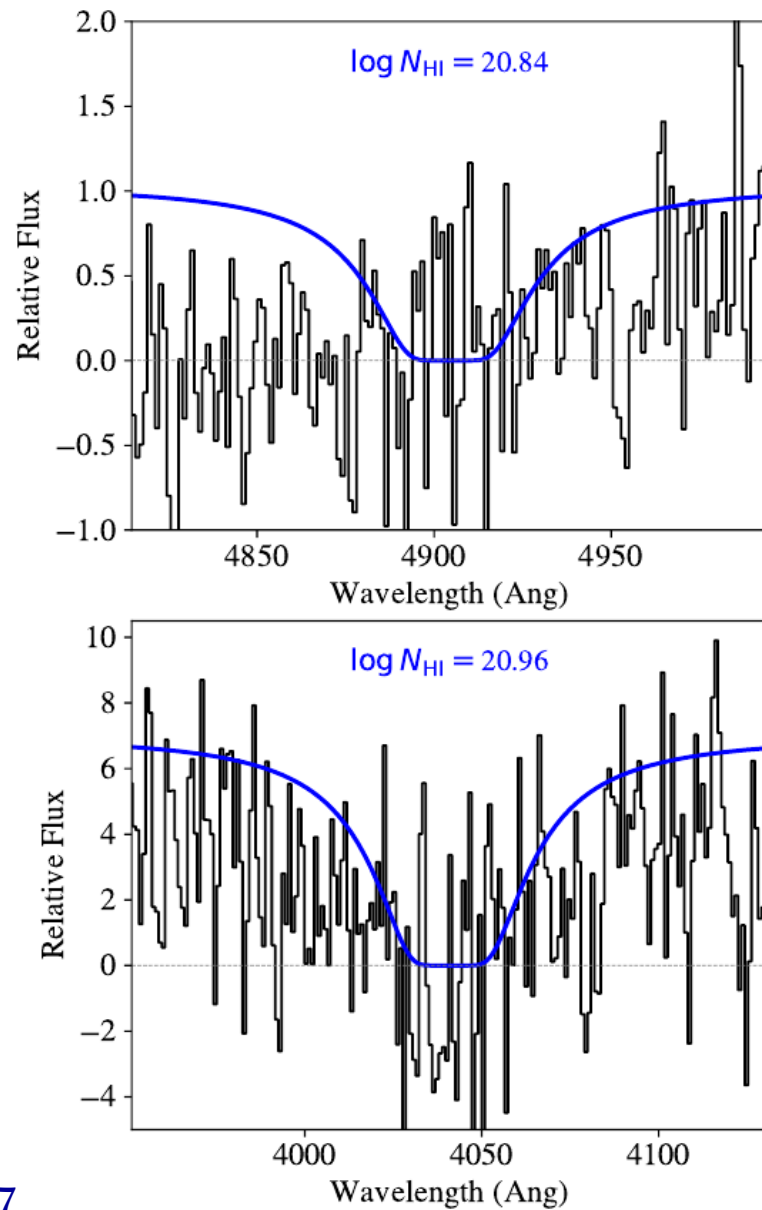
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Precise DLA measurements **without** Quantum Mechanics!!

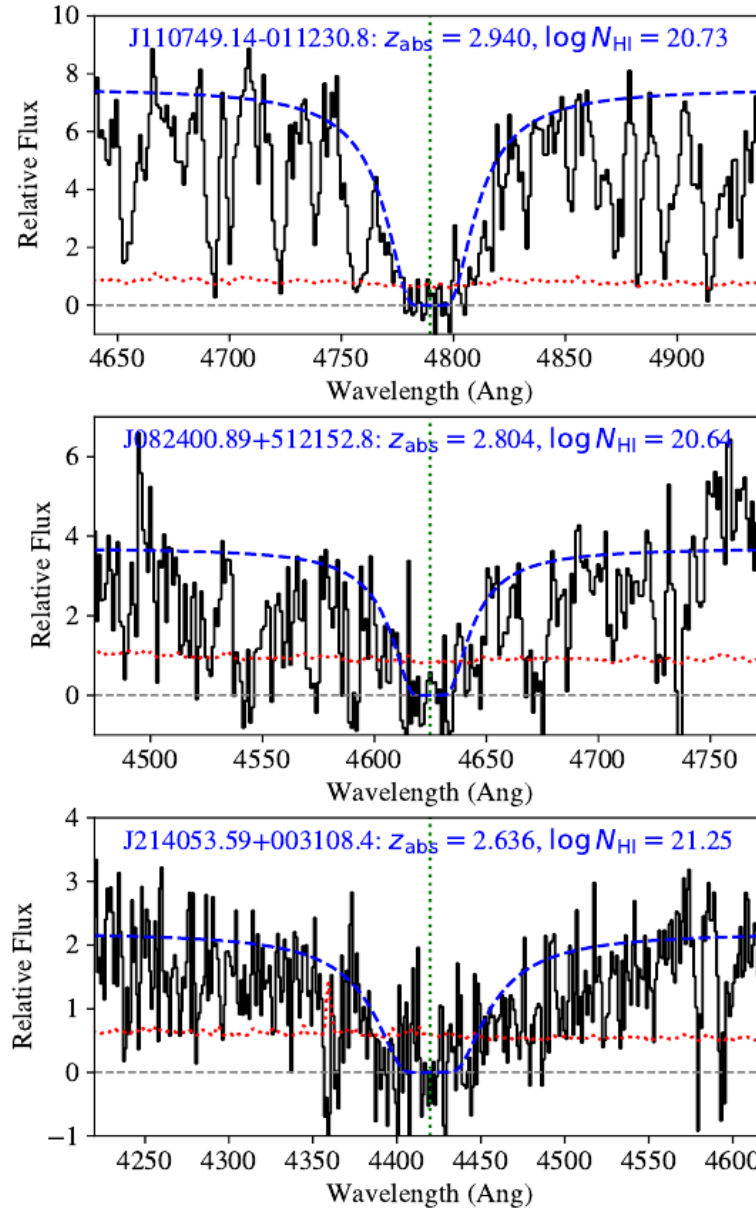
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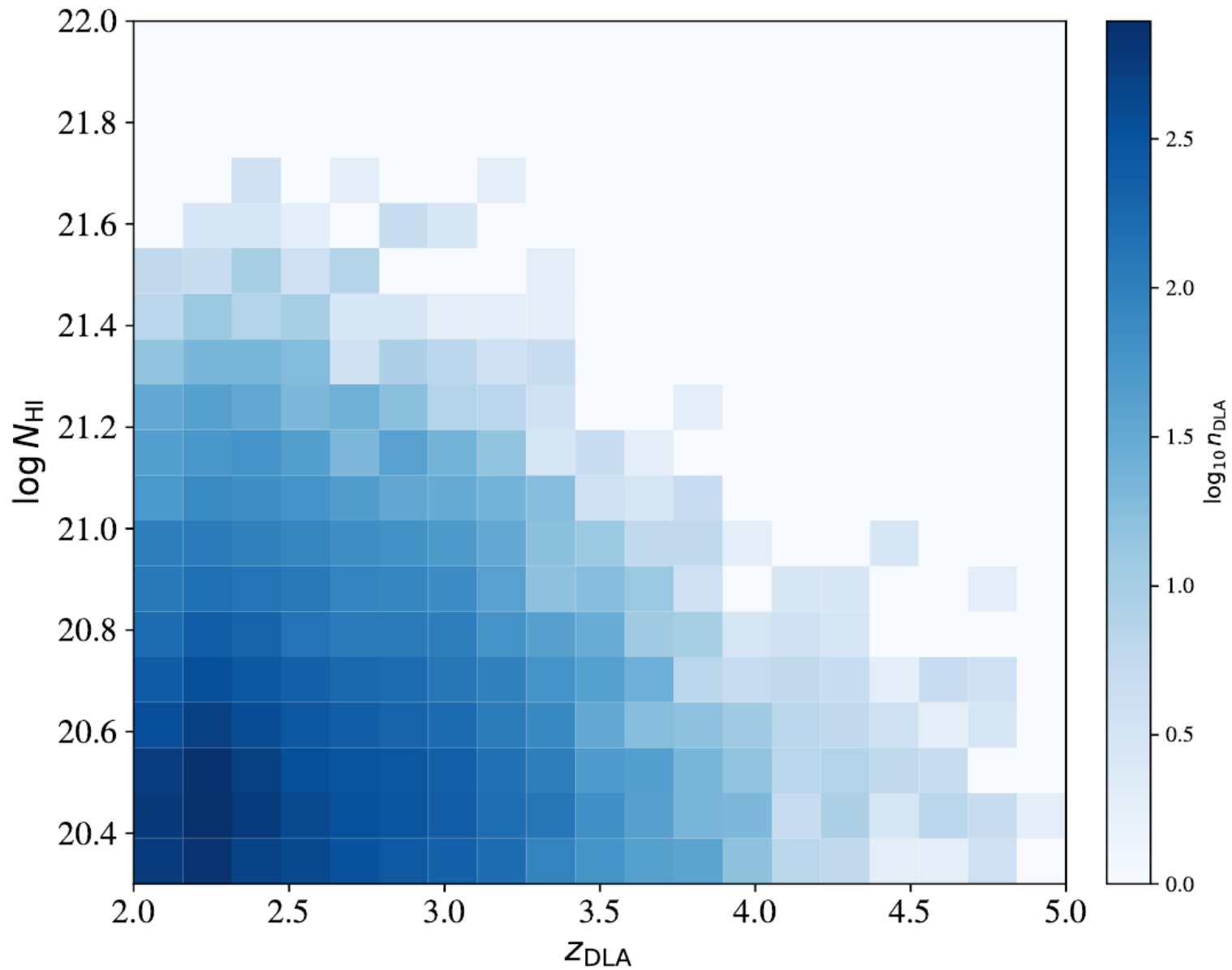
‘Fun’ examples for DLA offciandos

DLA Results (CNN + SDSS-DR7)



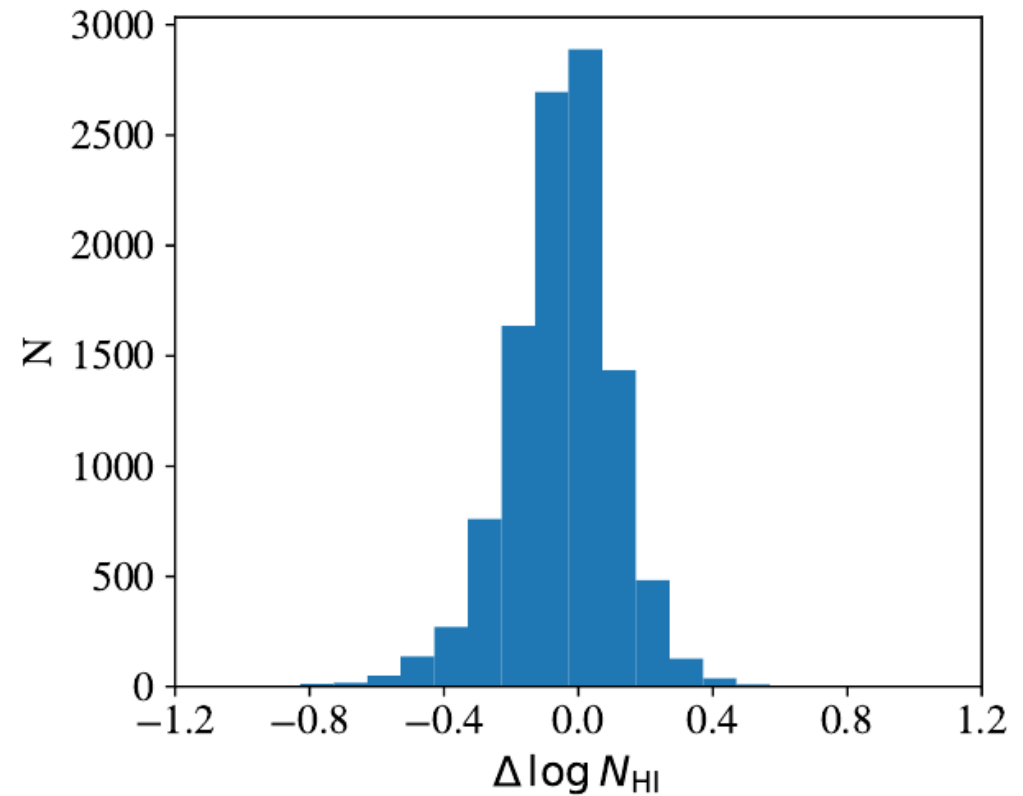
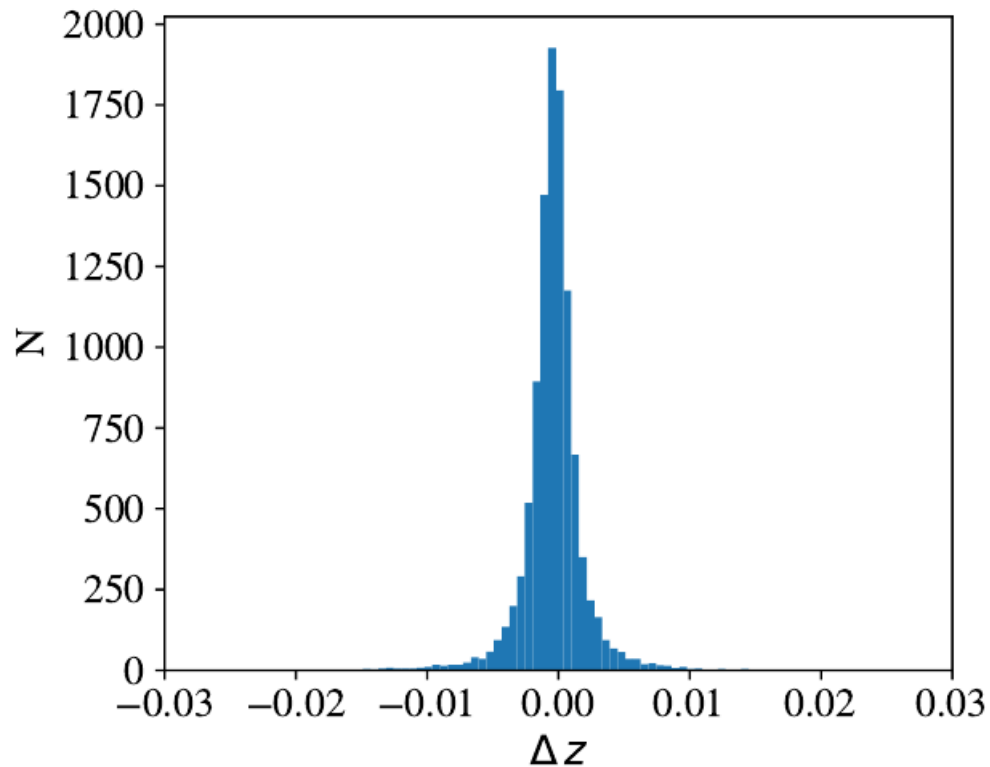
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DLA Results (CNN + BOSS)



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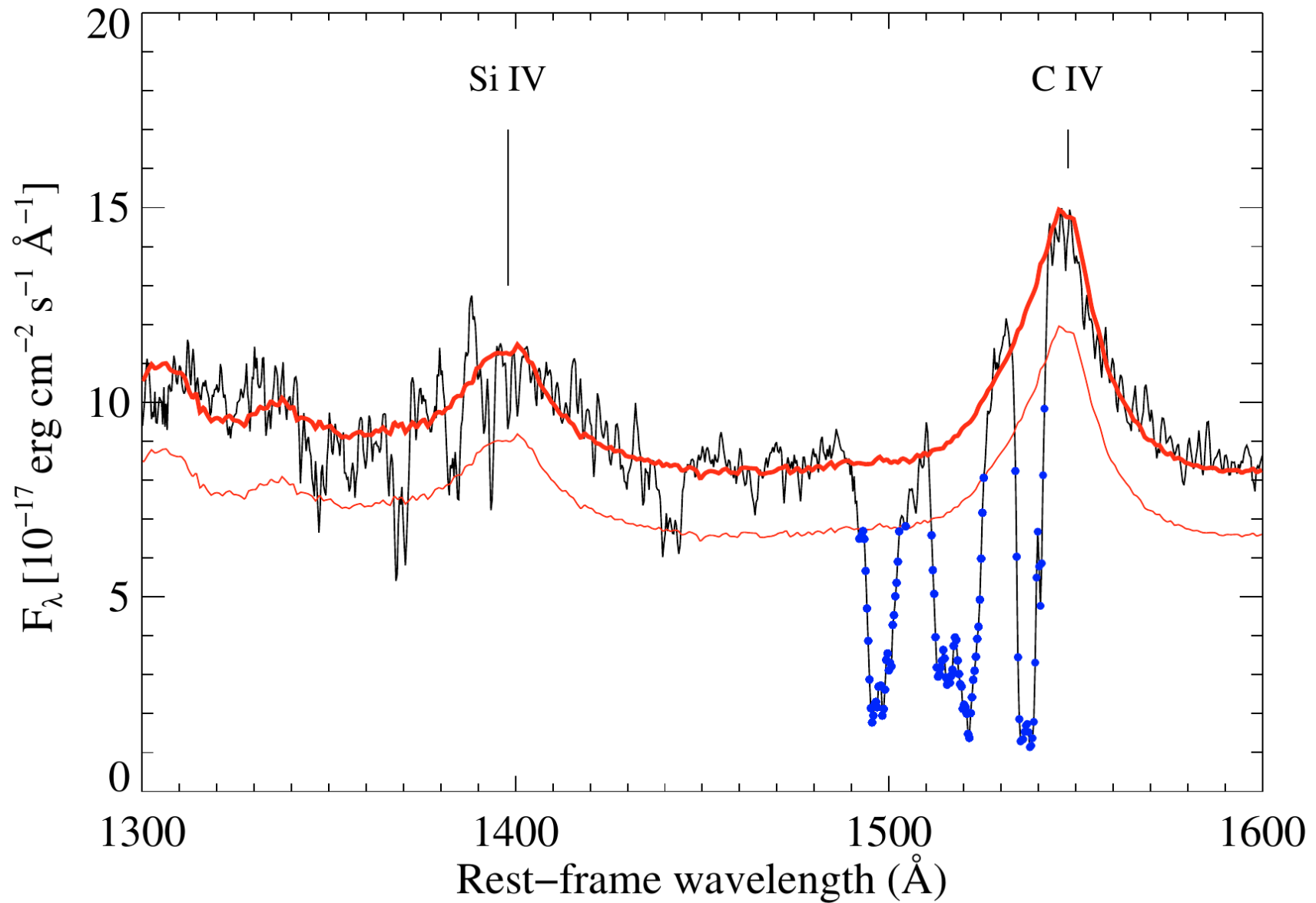
DLA Results (CNN/GP + BOSS)



Excellent complementarity between GP and CNN

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Future Ideas: BALs



Jiani et al.,
in prep.

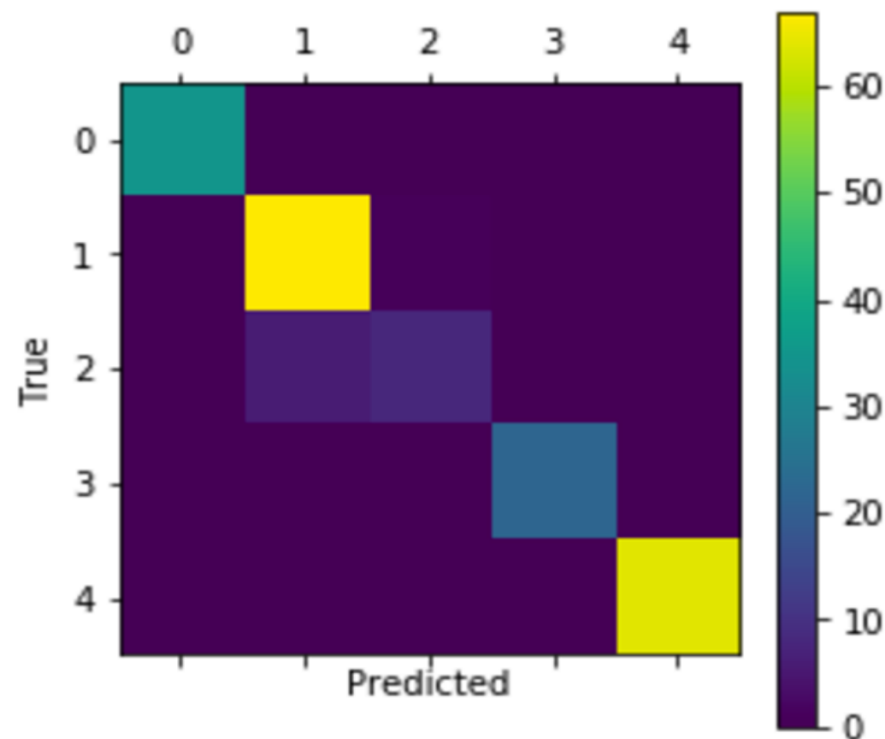
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I am advised to use RNNs.

Future: Spectral Image Classification

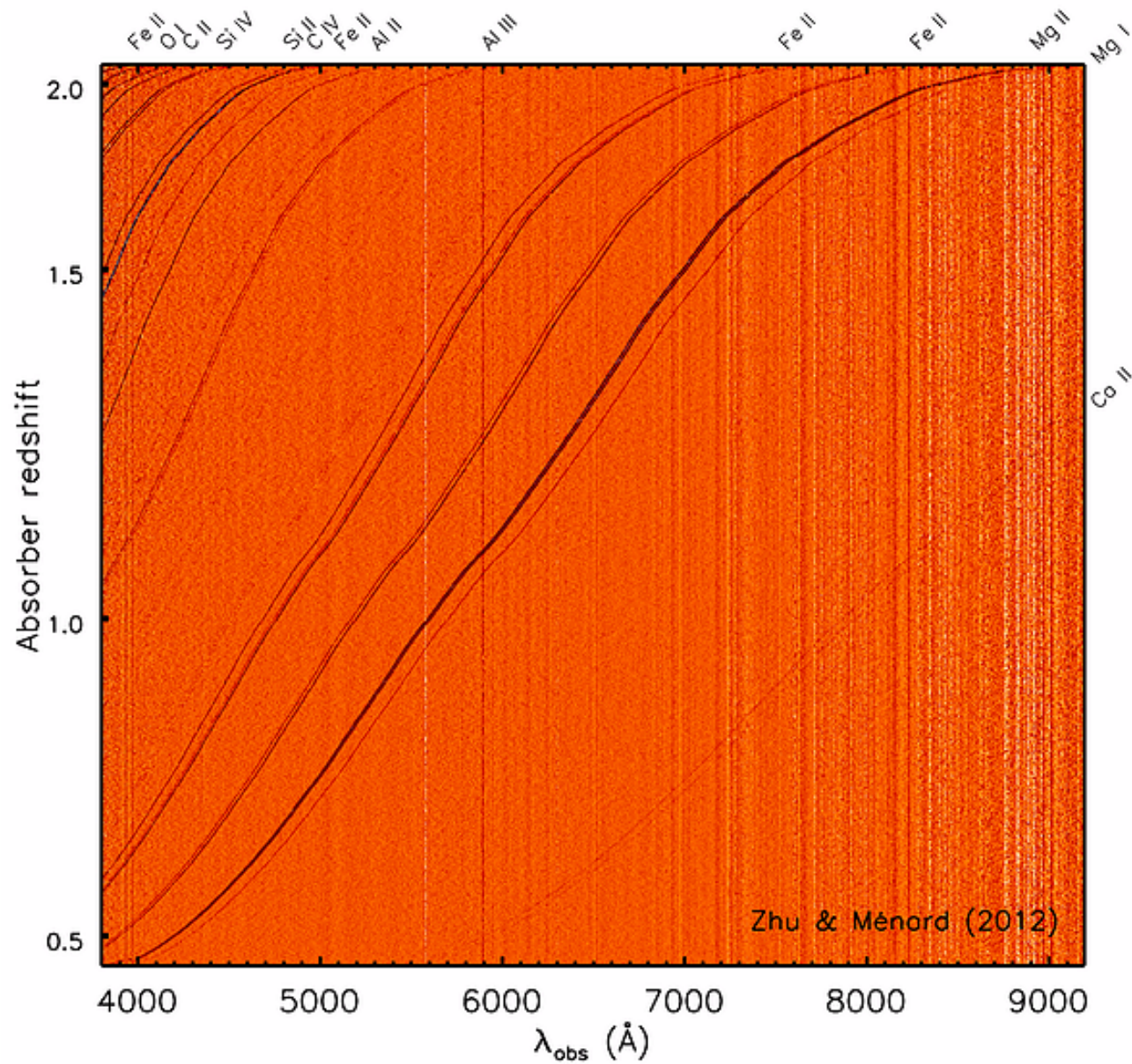
Confusion Matrix:

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 [ 0 67  1  0  0]
 [ 0  6  8  0  0]
 [ 0  0  0 22  0]
 [ 0  0  0  0 64]]
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Future: Other ideas...



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Lots of things brewing

Machine Learning in Astronomy

- Astronomy is rife with tasks demanding human labor
 - Source identification
 - Continuum fitting
 - Line identification
- Machine Learning
 - Can perform many of these tasks
 - Auto-magically, repeatably, better!
- Astrophysics and ML
 - I harbor my doubts...

