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### A Systematic Search of Protoclusters at z~4 Based on the >100deg<sup>2</sup> Area

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The number of known protoclusters is still small, especially at high redshift (N~10-20 at z>3).



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## Where are protoclusters?

Most of previous works are searching for protoclusters around QSOs and radio galaxies. **Are these galaxies really good probes of protoclusters?** 



# Uniqueness of our research

Searching only around RGs or QSOs may make a biased sample of protoclusters. We will perform an unbiased search of protoclusters by using wide-field imaging of HSC survey.



Based on a systematic sample of protoclusters, we can investigate galaxy evolution in high-dense environments and the formation of clusters/large-scale structure.

# **Previous work in CFHTLS Deep**



### Data, Overdensity estimate

- based on the S16A data release
- select LBGs at z~4 in HSC-WIDE (S<sub>eff</sub>=121deg<sup>2</sup>)
- estimate local surface number density (by the same method as in Toshikawa et al. 2016)
  use LBGs down to *i*=25.0mag,
  count LBGs within an aperture of r=1.8arcmin (0.75pMpc),
  overdensity is defined as (N-N<sub>ave</sub>)/σ

# **Consistency check**

Two datasets are available in the COSMOS (HSC-UD & CFHTLS D2). We apply the same analysis (LBG selection & overdensity estimate).



#### overdensity contour maps

blue color scale: HSC dataset red lines: CFHTLS dataset





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#### Relation between protoclusters and QSOs led by Hisakazu Uchiyama

Based on the HSC protocluster candidates at z~4



There is no significant difference between QSOs and g-dropout galaxies.  $\rightarrow$  QSOs do not tend to reside in high dense environments.

# **Ongoing/future work**

- sub-mm follow-up imaging (HSC project 196, PI: Y. Matsuda)

JCMT/SCUBA2 (850 $\mu$ m) imaging was conducted.

We will investigate the distribution/properties of SMGs in protoclusters.

 $\Delta R.A.$  (physical Mpc)

 $2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 - 2 \quad 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 - 2 \quad 2 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 - 2$ 



# Summary

- 179 protocluster candidates at  $z\sim4$  are identified in the HSC-WIDE.
- Clustering analysis was applied for the first time.
- The spatial distribution ( $r_0$ -n) is consistent with the prediction of  $\Lambda CDM$ .
- The dark matter halo mass is found to be  $2 \times 10^{13} M_{sun}$ .
- QSOs do not tend to reside in overdense regions.
- Follow-up observations are ongoing. (spectroscopy, multi-wavelength imaging).

#### We will extend this protocluster search to z~3-6 in order to understand cluster formation history.