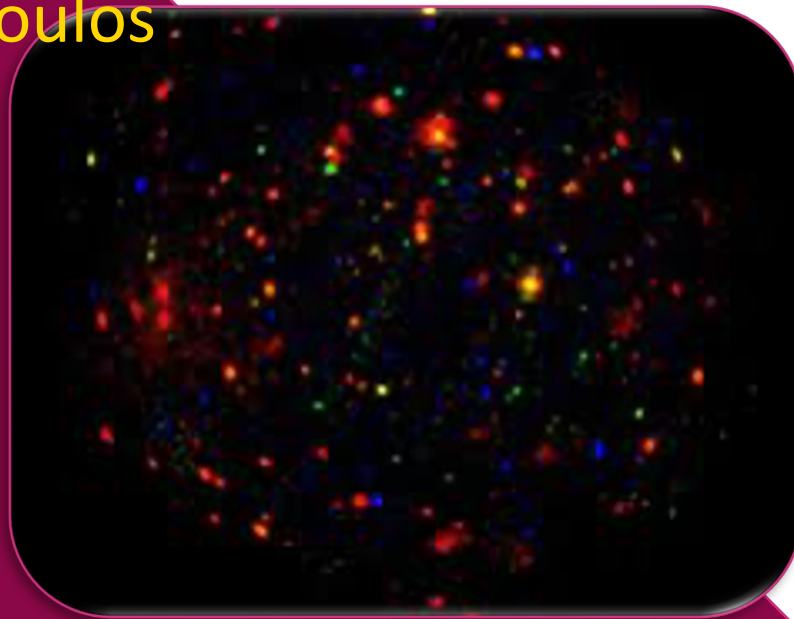




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Role in XMM2ATHENA. Our work focuses on Work-Package 8 which will deliver the distances (photometric redshifts) of the X-ray sources. This will be done using the latest deep surveys such as the DES, LEGACY but also PANSTARRS, SDSS and VISTA surveys. Both machine learning techniques as well as more traditional spectral energy distribution fitting techniques will be employed for the derivation of photometric redshifts.