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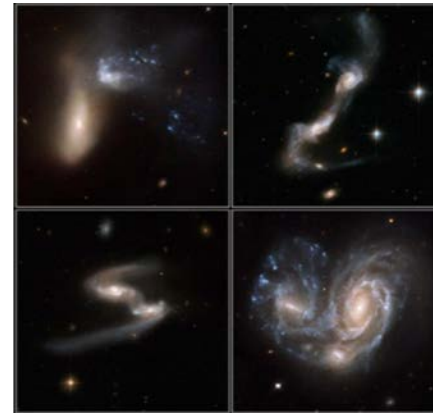
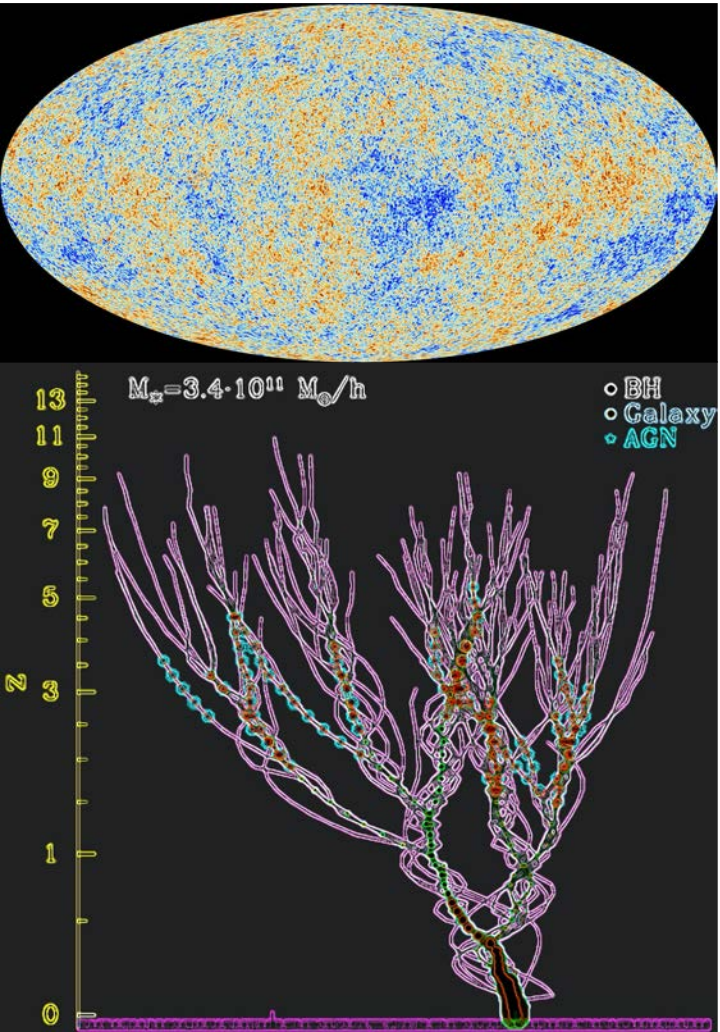


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Galaxy formation: Cosmological context

1902: gravitational instability pressure vs gravitation / James Jeans + 1964: **shear/diff.rotation** Toomre Q parameter
1933: dark matter / Zwicky
1981: inflation → galaxy seeds / Guth
1982-84: CDM + seeds → galaxies + mergers
/ Peebles ; Blumenthal, Faber, Primack, & Rees

Bottom-up hierarchical galaxy formation



Galaxy formation: Open questions

Some tensions with the **Bottom-up hierarchical galaxy formation** model

- galaxy bimodality: nearly 50% mass of stars in dead regions !
- galaxy downsizing: most massive galaxies form first, then died !
- SMBH paradigm: dead regions all possess a SMBH, universal $M_{\text{BH}}/M_{\star} \sim 1/1000$!
- Main sequence paradigm: minor role of mergers in hierarchical scenario + not enough infall

Questions:

- **do we understand what causes star-formation ?**

Jeans instability vs multi-phase ISM physics (turbulence, B, stellar and SN feedback, AGN feedback): is star-formation mostly natural, i.e. gravity driven, or triggered, e.g. by mergers ?

- **do we understand what ends star-formation ?**

natural gas exhaustion vs feedback, intergalactic infall vs no infall

- **how did BH grow in mass and how did they affect galaxies ?**

accretion vs early massive seeds, positive vs negative vs null feedback

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We do not understand the nature of dark energy and dark matter, but we believe that we understand how they affect the dynamics of the Universe.

We understand the nature of baryons, but we still do not understand how galaxies form and form their stars...

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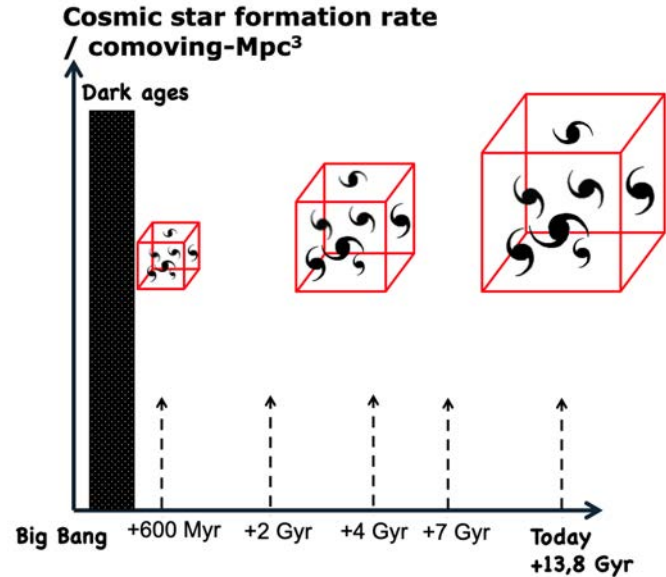
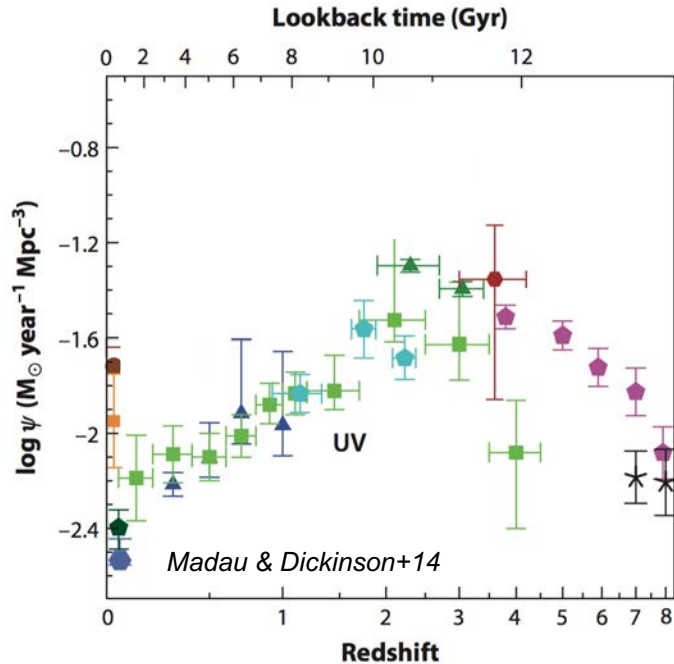
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star-forming region



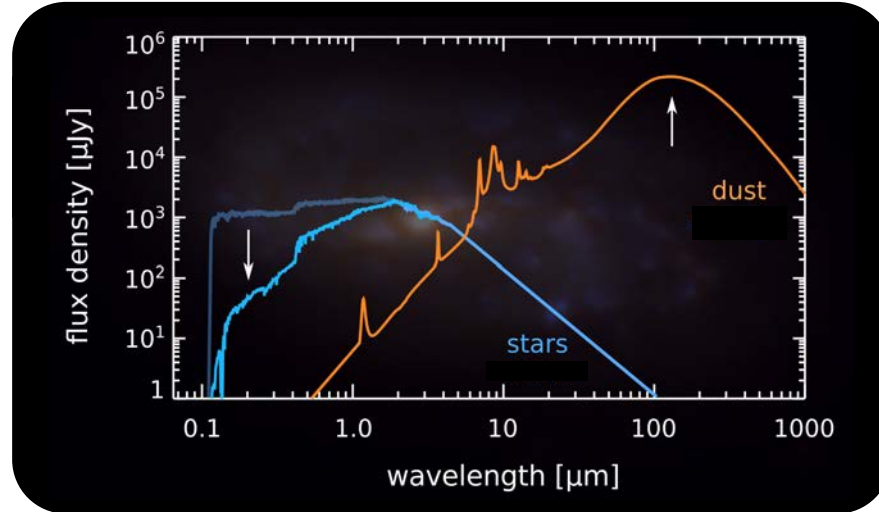
SED of a star-forming galaxy



short-lived high-mass stars radiate mostly in the UV, so

$UV \propto$ birthrate of stars

... BUT ...

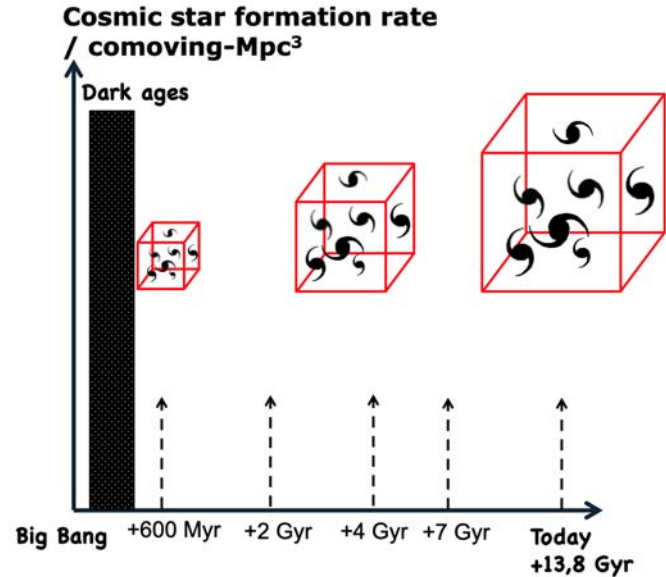
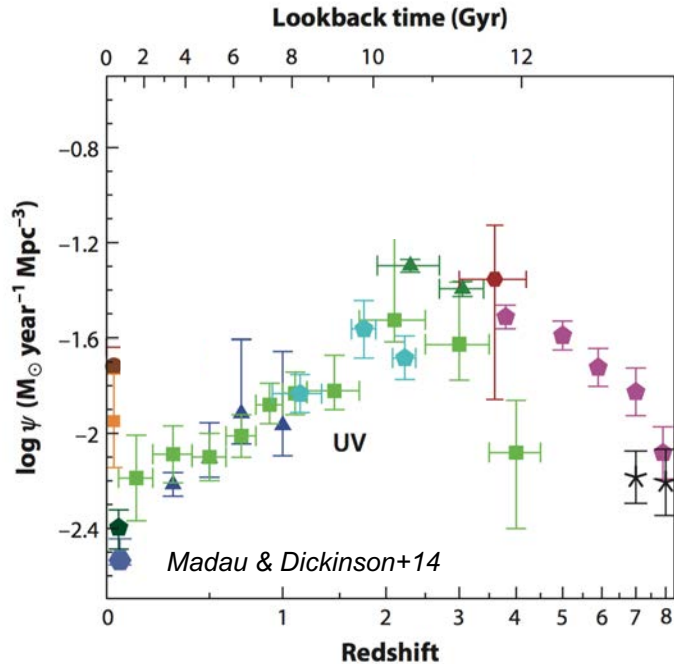


long-lived low-mass stars which radiate mostly in the NIR, dominate the stellar mass

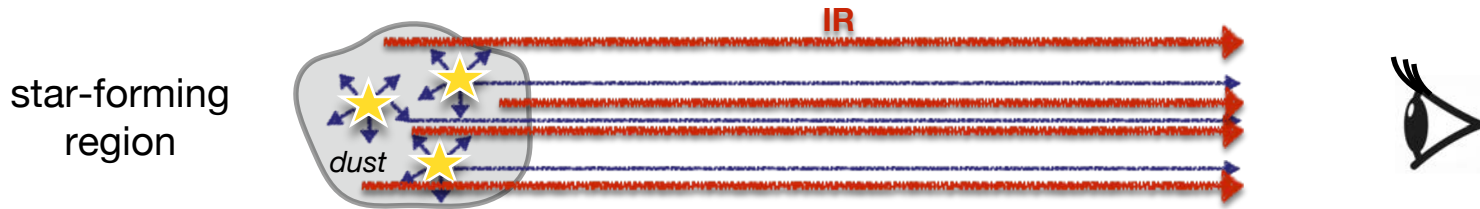


... most UV light is absorbed by dust which radiates in the far-infrared

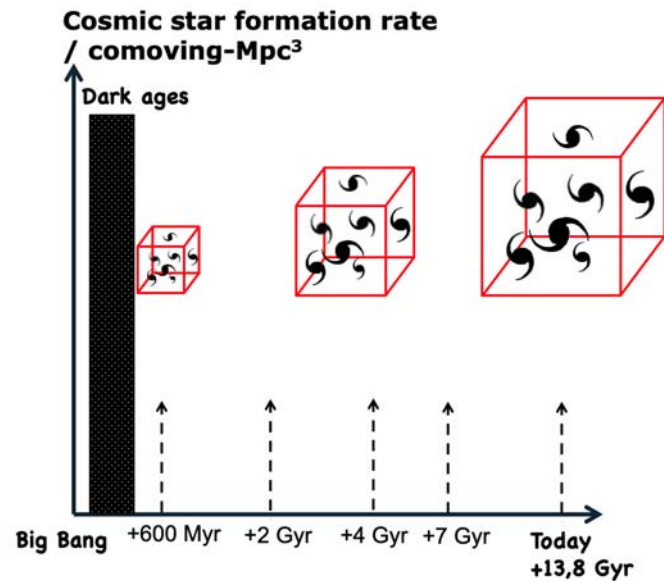
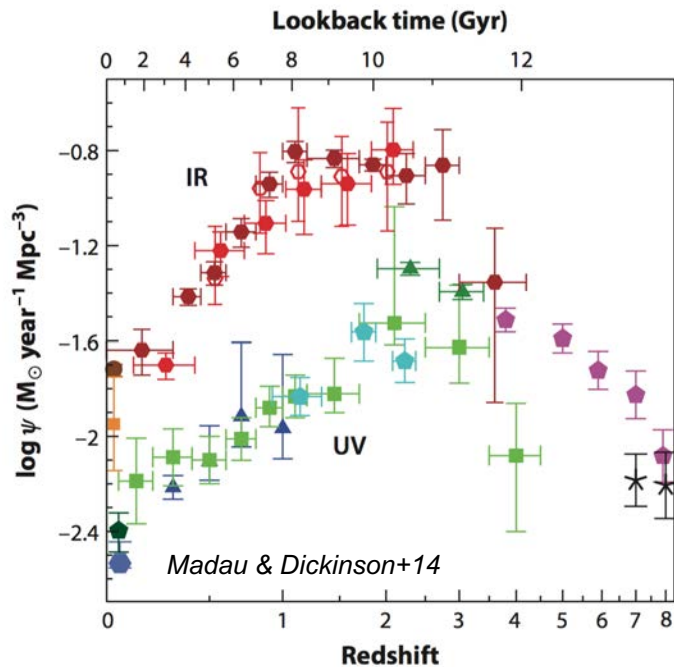
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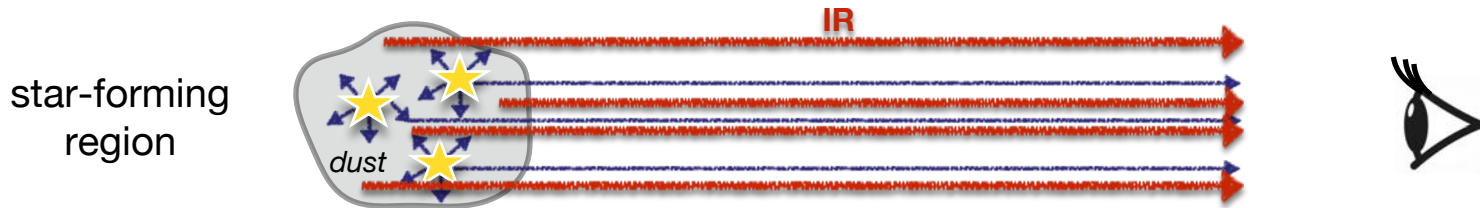
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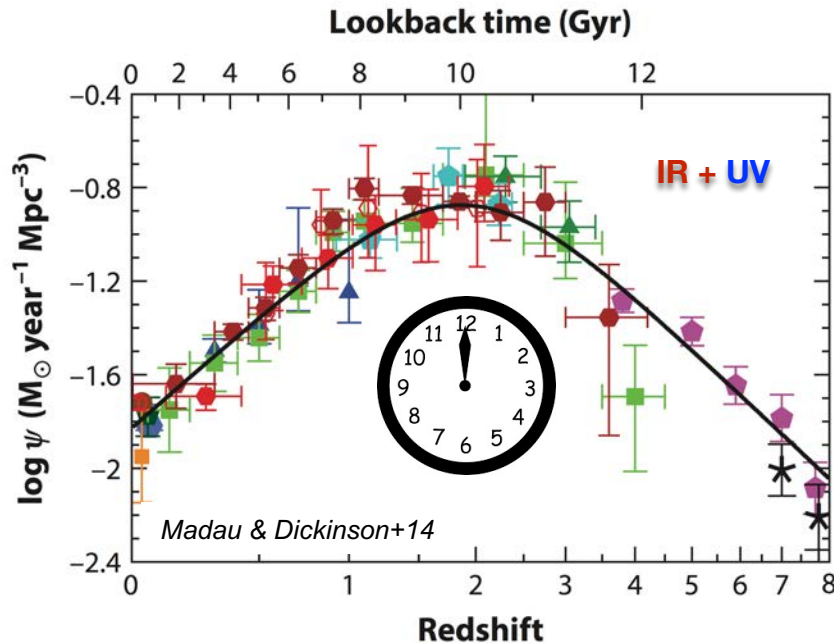
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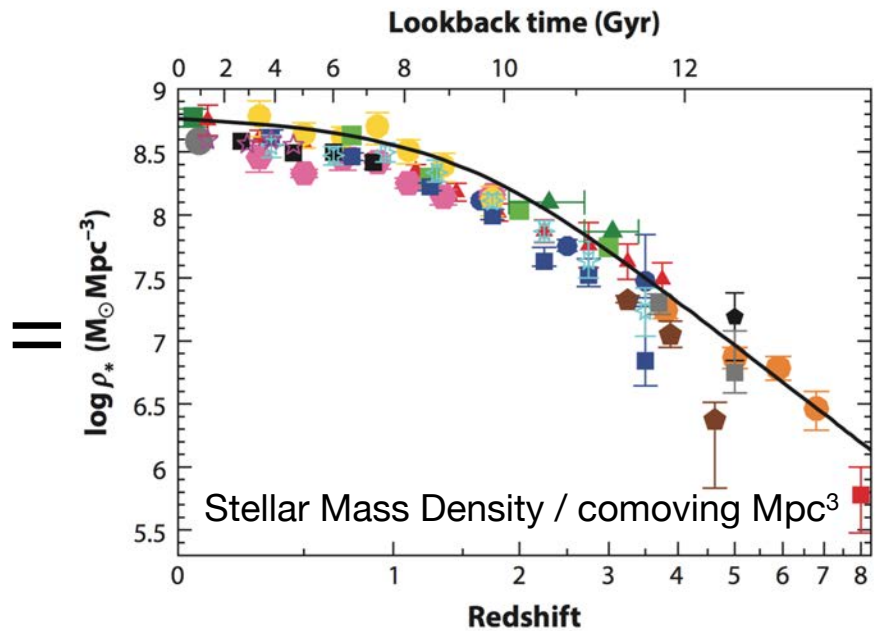
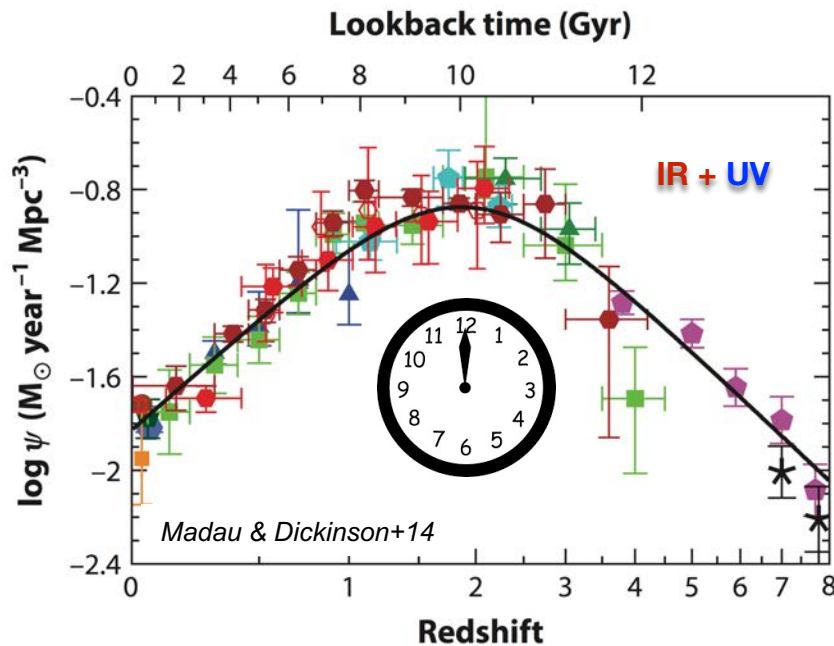
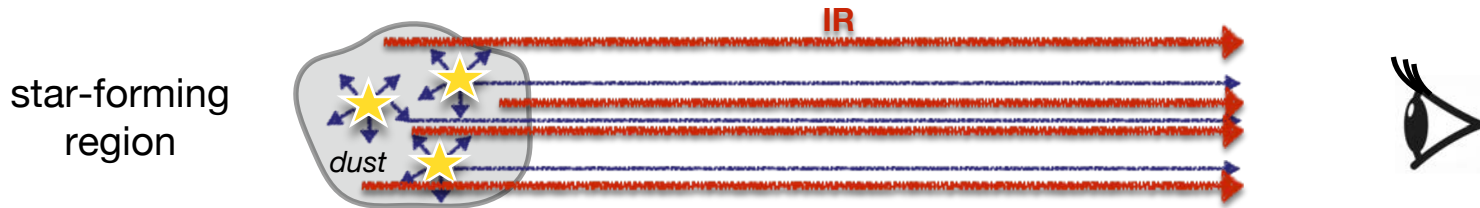


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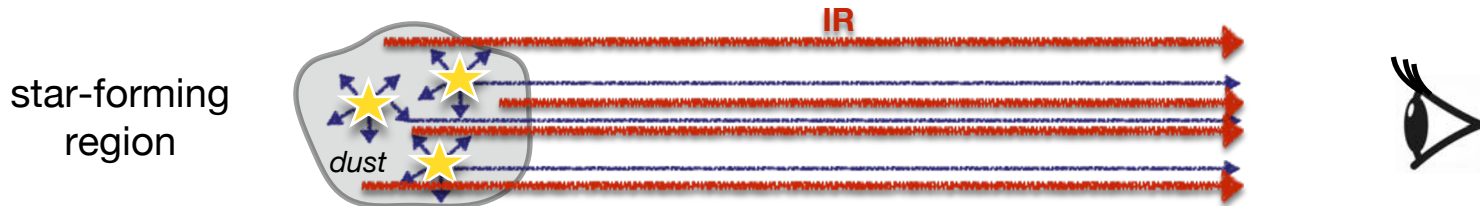


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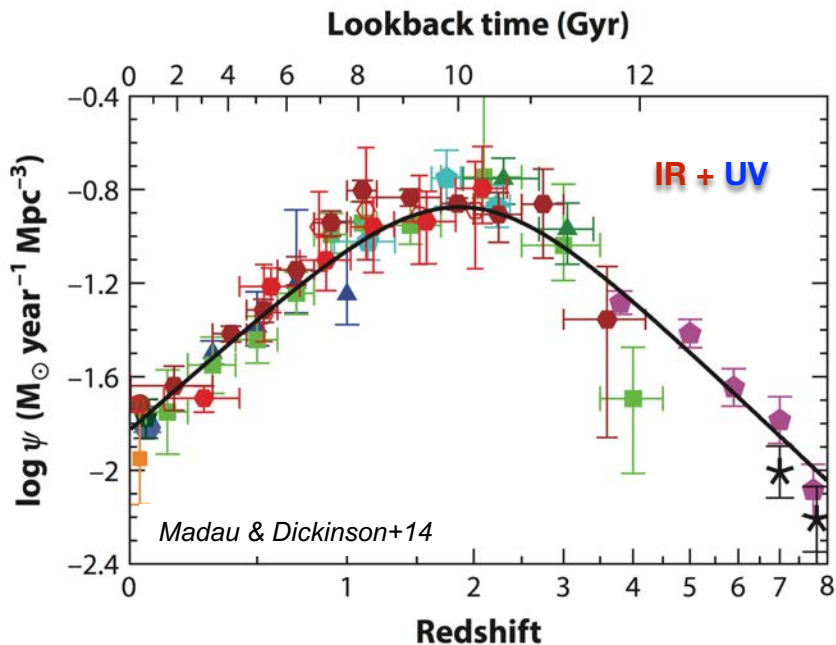
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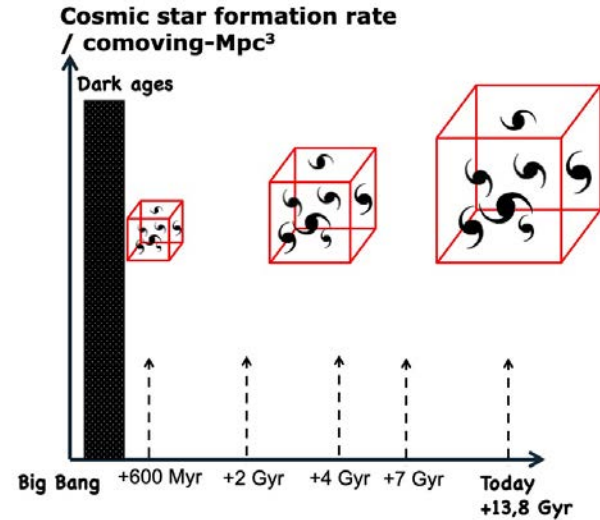
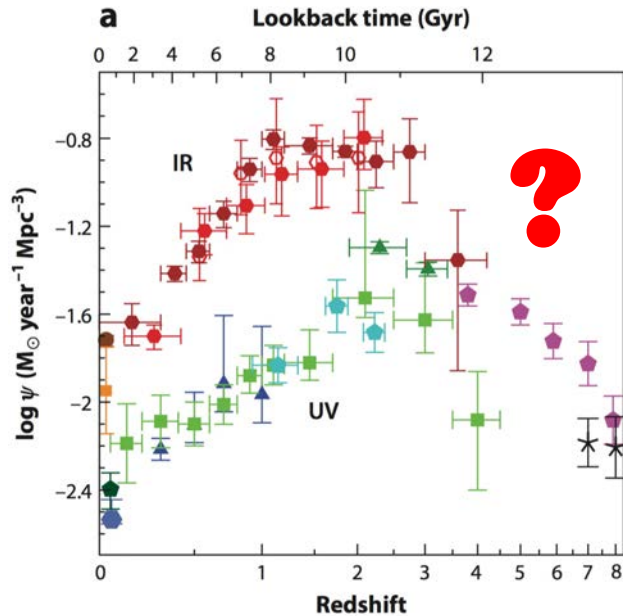
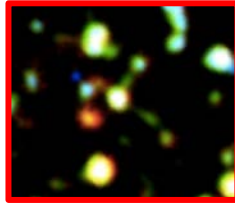
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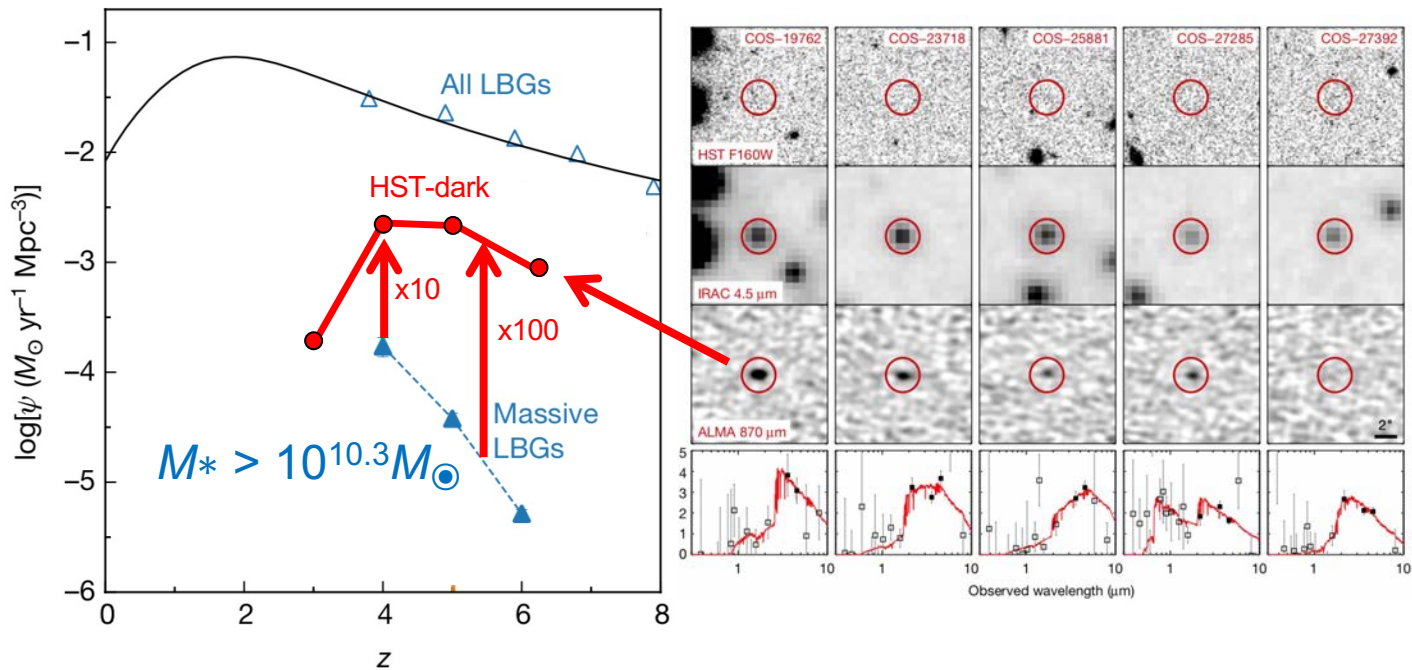
Visible side



Dust-obscured



The most massive galaxies in the early universe are optically dark



space density: $n \sim 10^{-5} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$, $\text{SFR} \sim 200 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$

Wang, Schreiber, Elbaz +19, Nature

Part I : A strongly evolving cosmic star formation history

- Dust attenuation affects galaxies even at the highest redshifts, in **massive** galaxies
 - We have most probably reached a **robust census** of the global star-formation history, but the high-z dust-obscured massive galaxies remain largely unknown
- deep gravitational potential means metals and dust are locked within galaxies
- we need a **third dimension : galaxy mass**

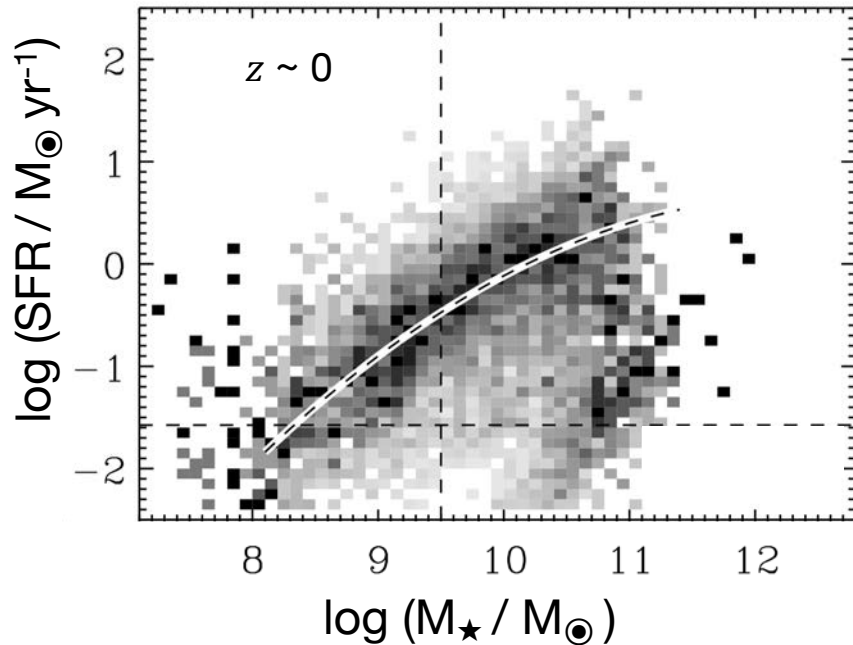
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Adding the third dimension of galaxy mass

The main sequence framework

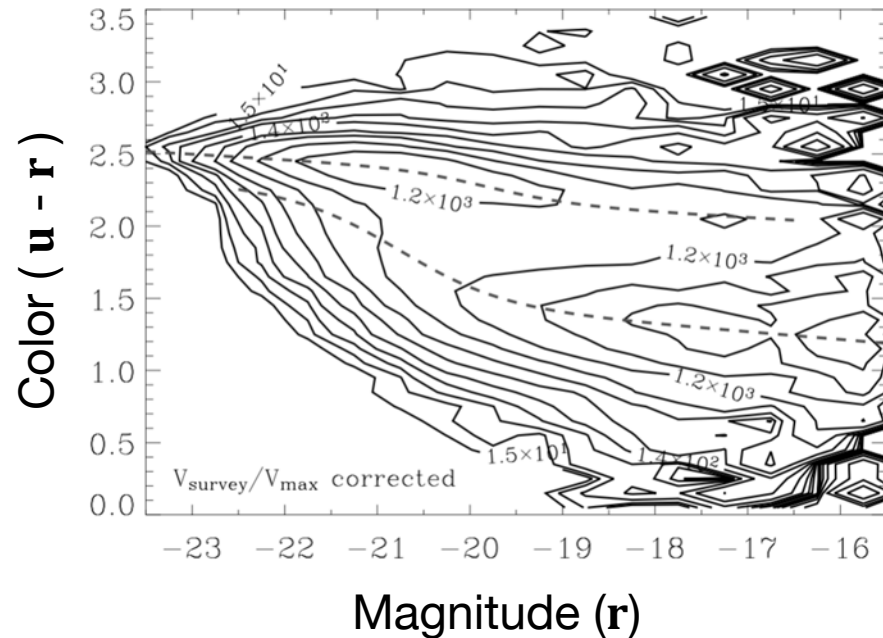
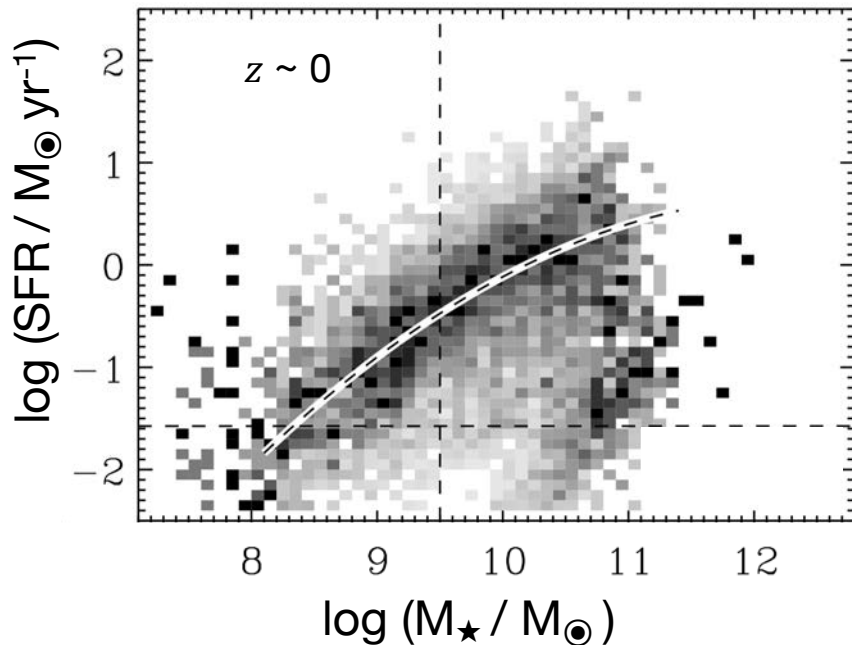
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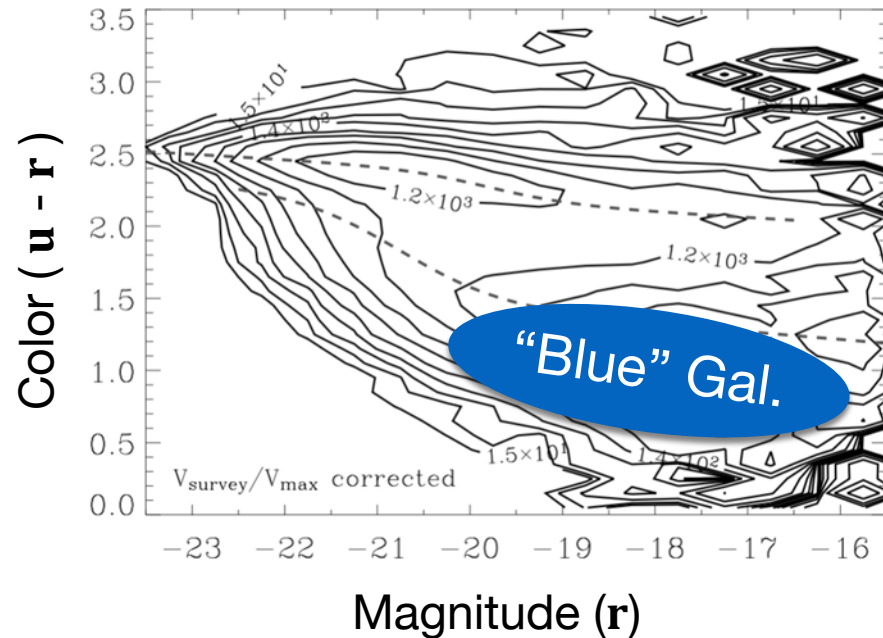
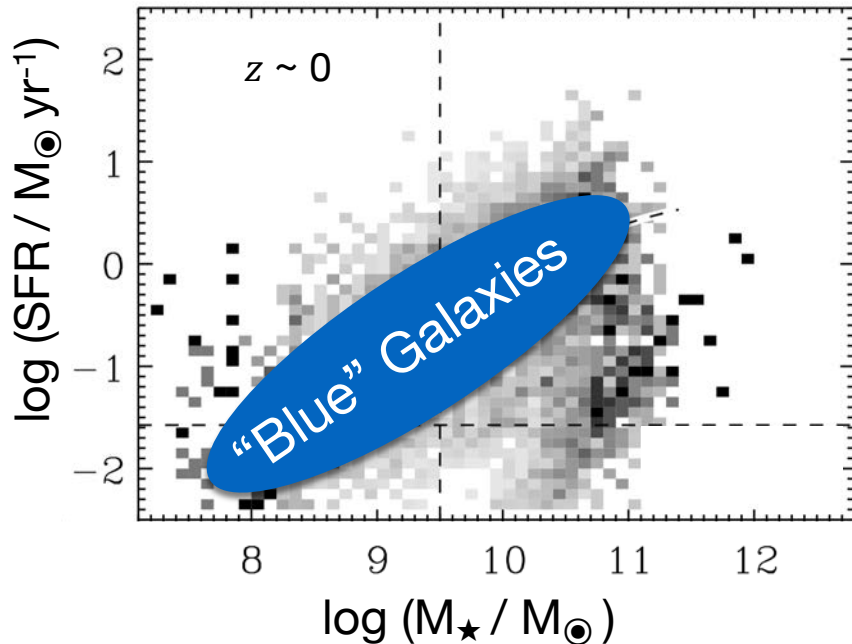
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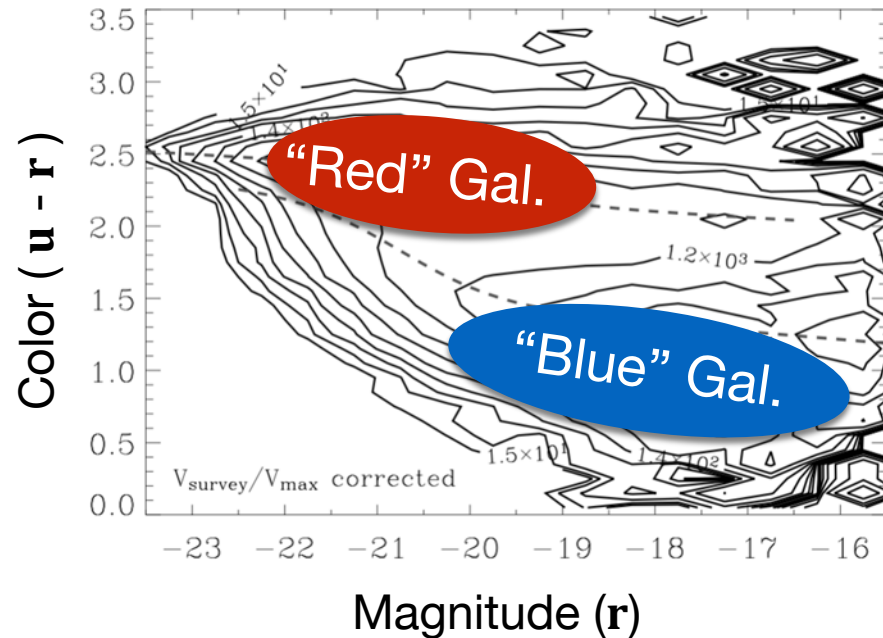
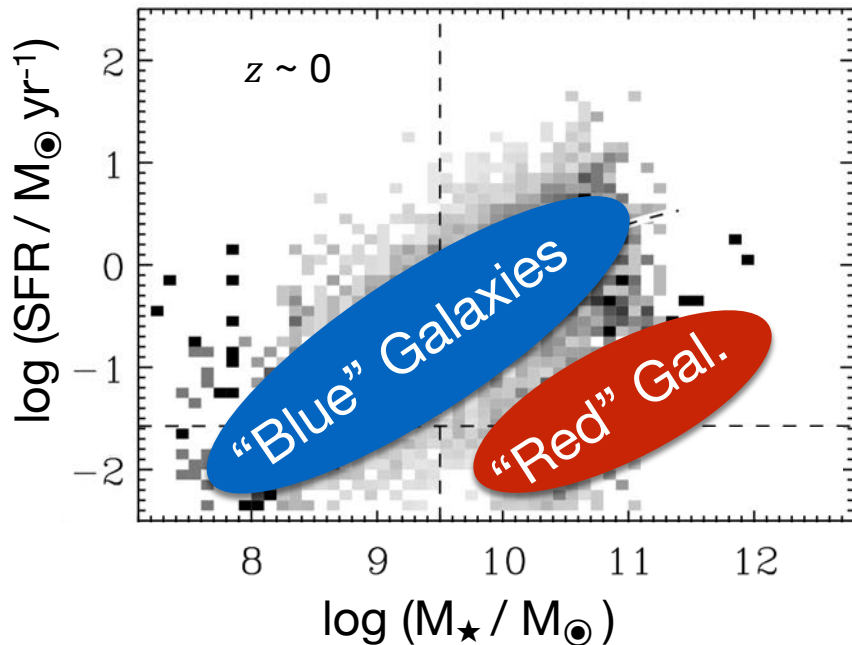
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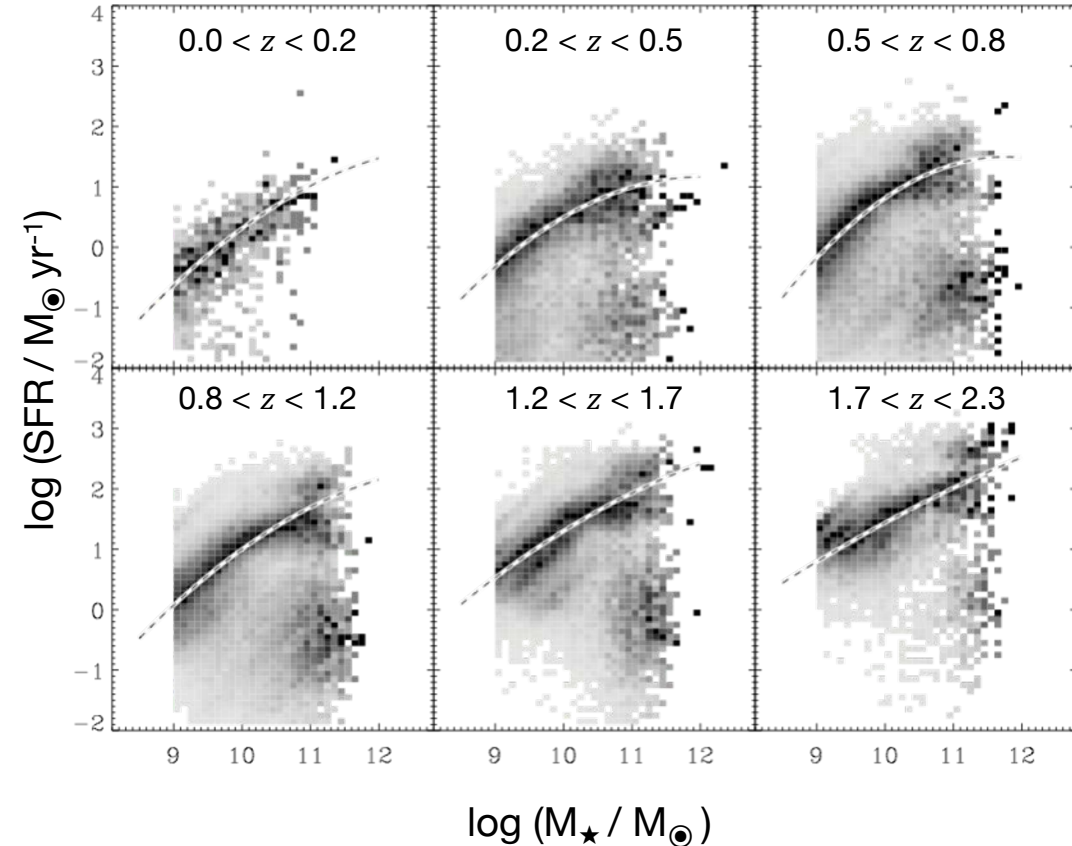


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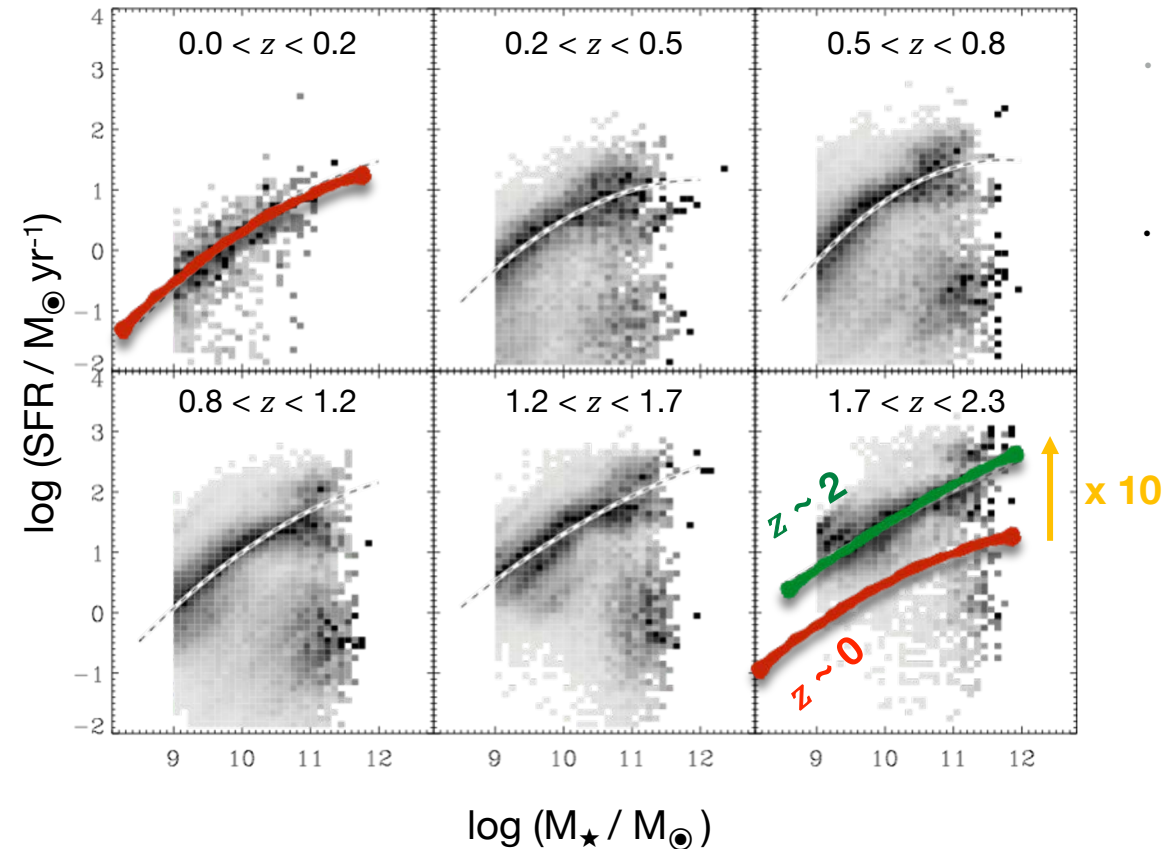


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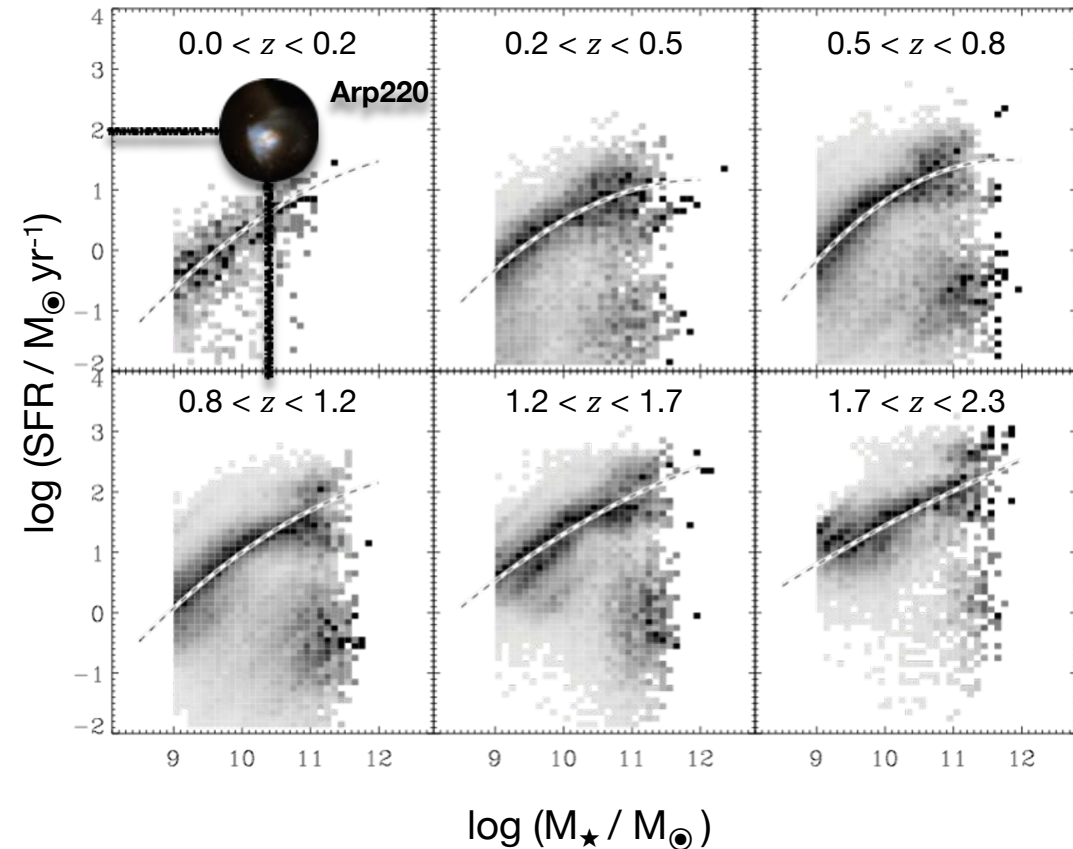
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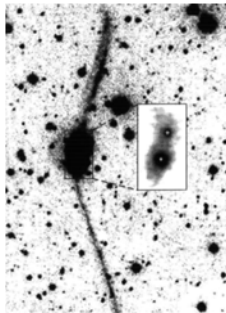
$$t(\text{gas consumption}) = M_{\text{gas}} / \text{SFR} = 1 / \text{SFE (SF efficiency)}$$

Definition #1: $t(\text{gas consumption}) \ll t(\text{Hubble}) \Rightarrow \text{starburst}$

local LIRGs: $t(\text{gas consumption}) \sim 1 \text{ Gyr} !$



- The Antennae:
 $L_{\text{IR}} = 1.1 \times 10^{11} L_{\odot} \rightarrow \text{SFR} = 19 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}$
 $M(\text{H}_2) = 3.9 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$
Molecular gas exhausted in $\sim 200 \text{ Myr}$



- The Super-Antennae:
 $L_{\text{IR}} = 1.1 \times 10^{12} L_{\odot} \rightarrow \text{SFR} = 190 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}$
 $M(\text{H}_2) = 3 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$
Molecular gas exhausted in $\sim 160 \text{ Myr}$

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Definition #2: exceptional event, i.e., $b > 3$

$$b = \text{SFR} / \langle \text{SFR} \rangle = \text{birth-rate parameter}$$

Good proxy = specific SFR (sSFR) when one assumes the same age, i.e.,

$$\text{sSFR} = \text{SFR} / M_{\star} = \text{SFR} / \langle \text{SFR} \rangle \times 1 / \text{age}$$

$$\text{MW} \quad \rightarrow \text{SFR} / M_{\star} \sim 0.06 \text{ Gyr}^{-1}$$

$$\tau \approx 20 \text{ Gyr (time to double } M_{\star})$$

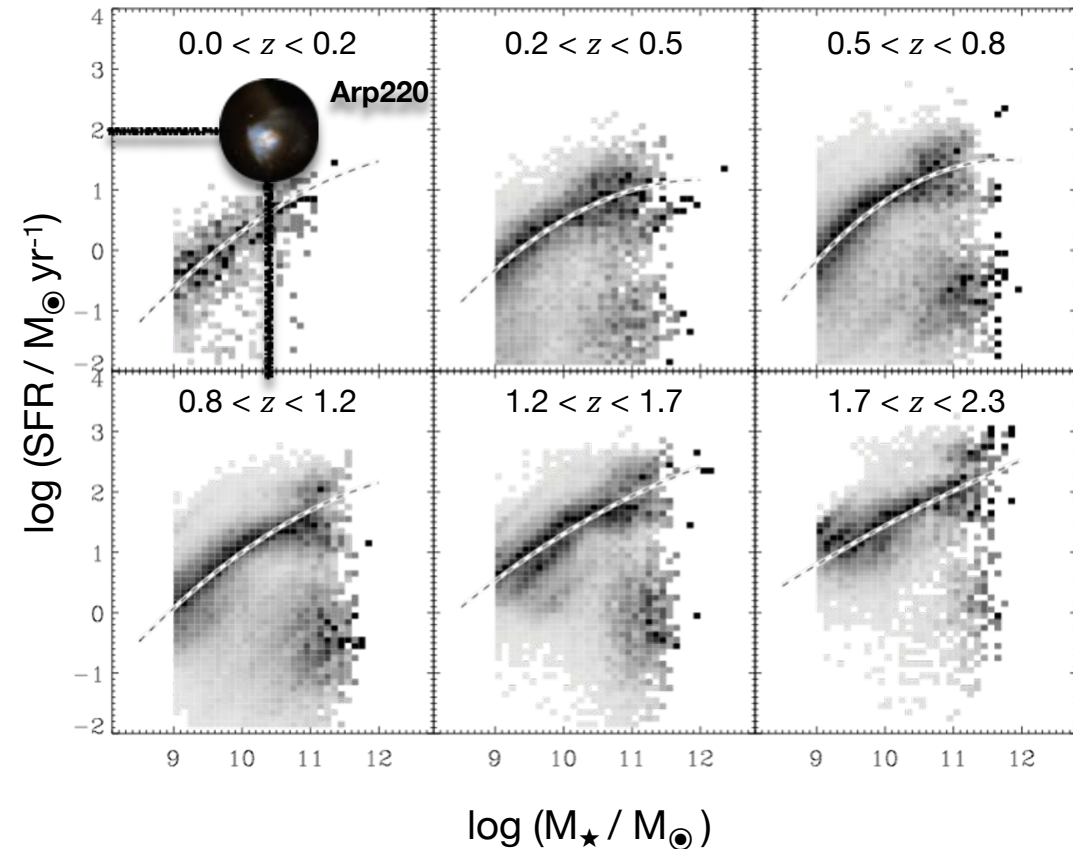
$$\text{M82} \quad \rightarrow \text{SFR} / M_{\star} \sim 0.5 \text{ Gyr}^{-1}$$

$$\tau \approx 2 \text{ Gyr}$$

$$\text{Arp220} \rightarrow \text{SFR} / M_{\star} \sim 10 \text{ Gyr}^{-1}$$

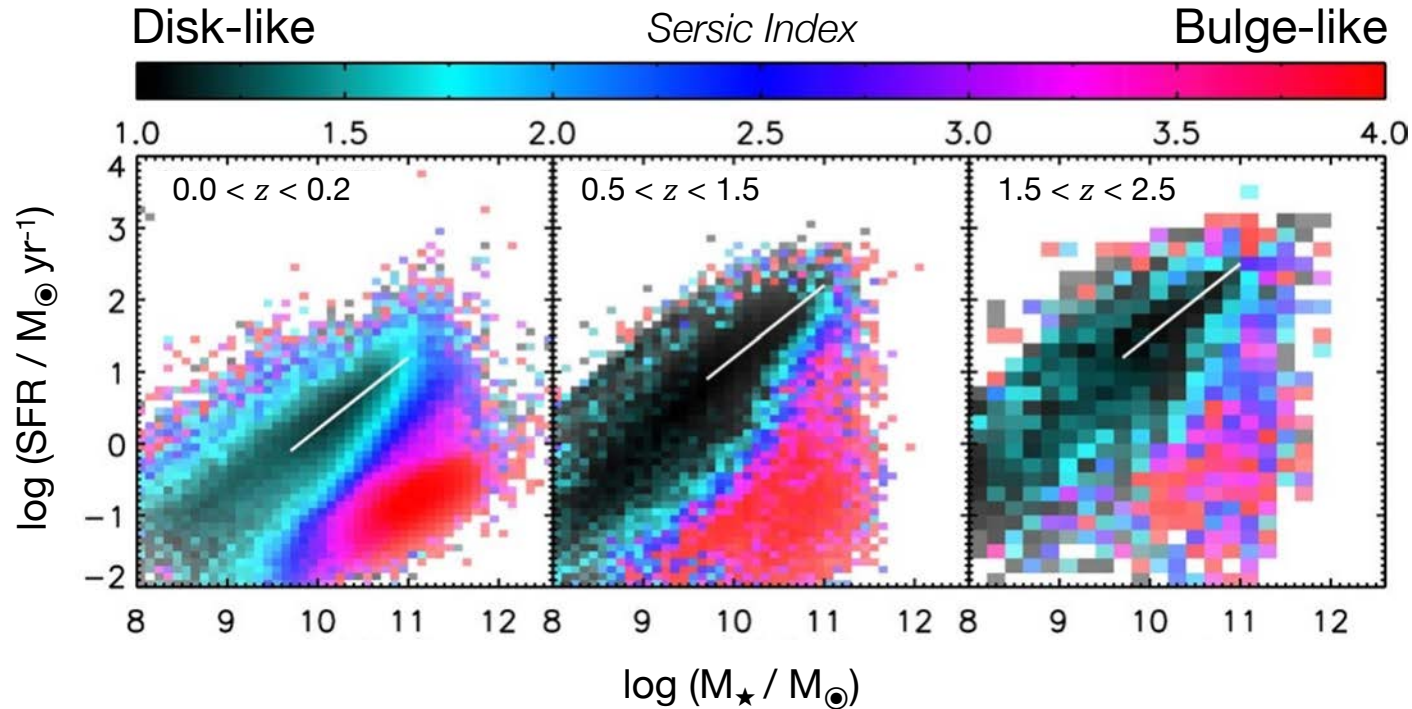
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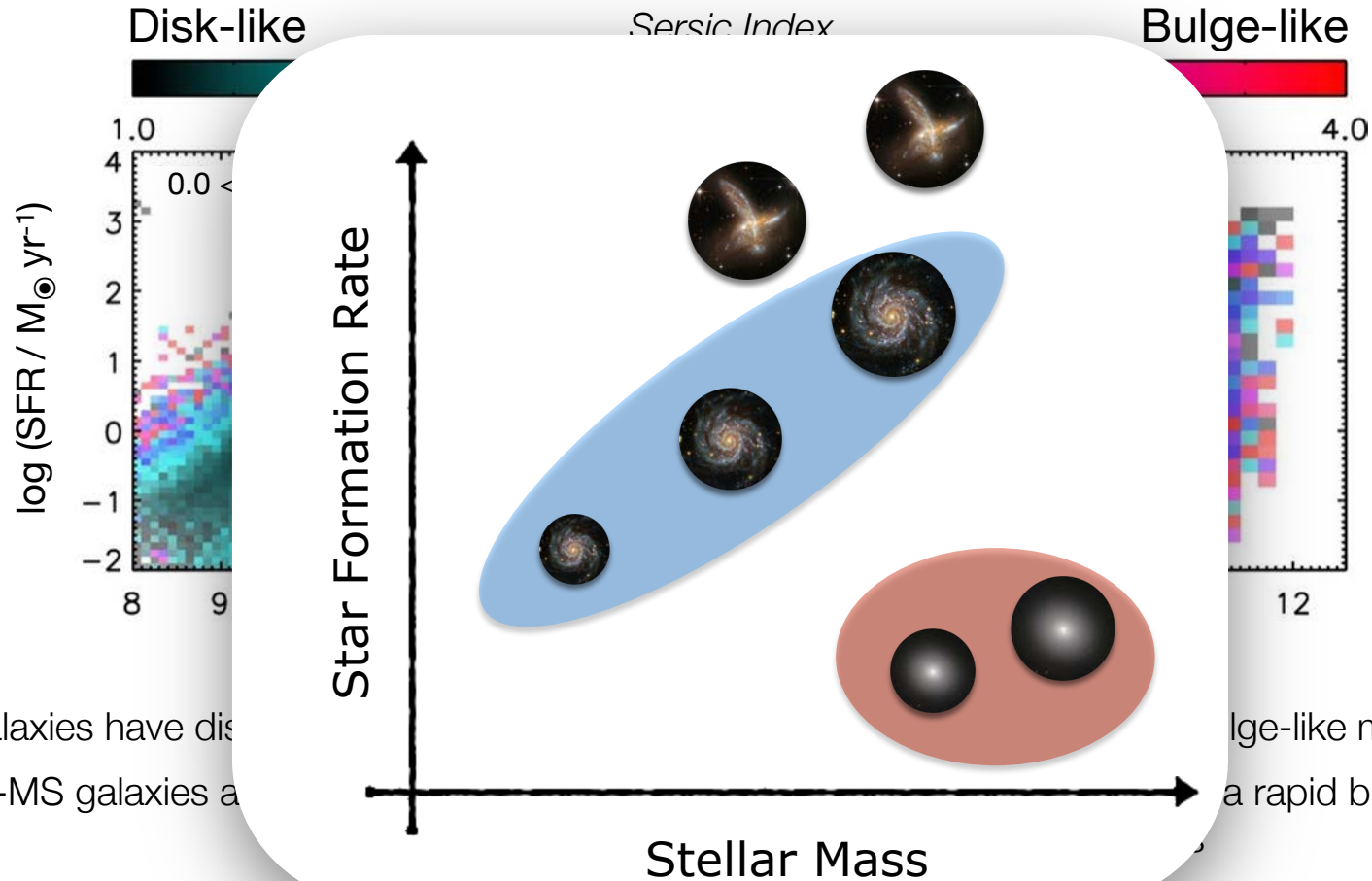
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- Starbursts (SBs) are outliers of the MS, i.e., $\text{distance}(\text{MS}) \sim \text{SFR}(t) / \langle \text{SFR} \rangle$

Part II : The main sequence of star-forming galaxies -- Morphology



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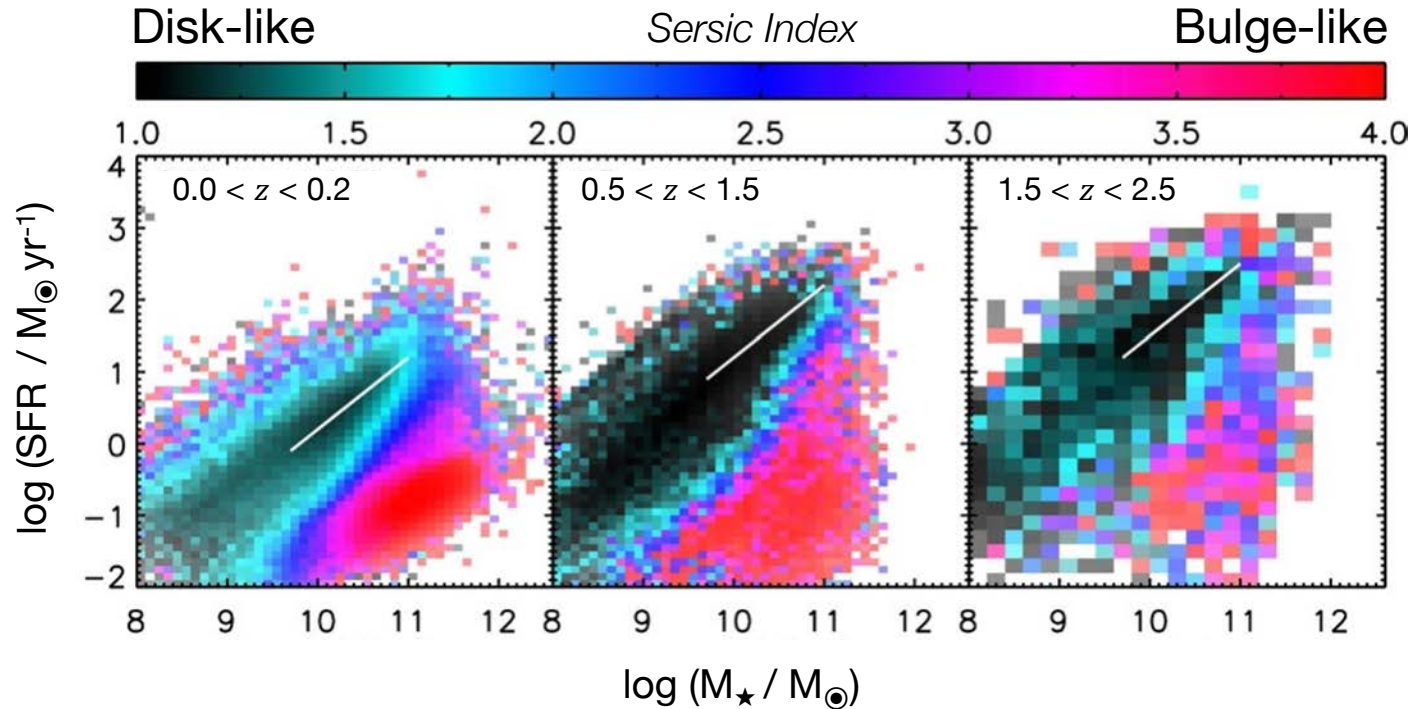
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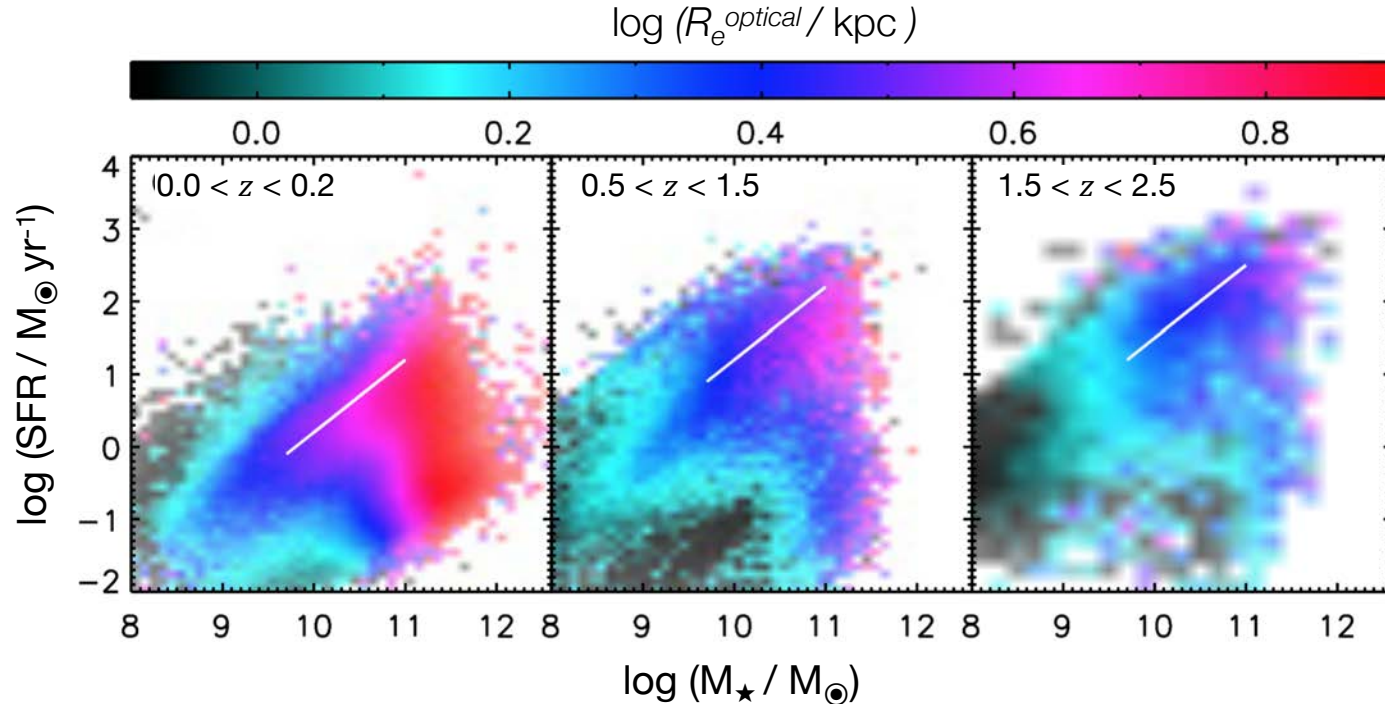
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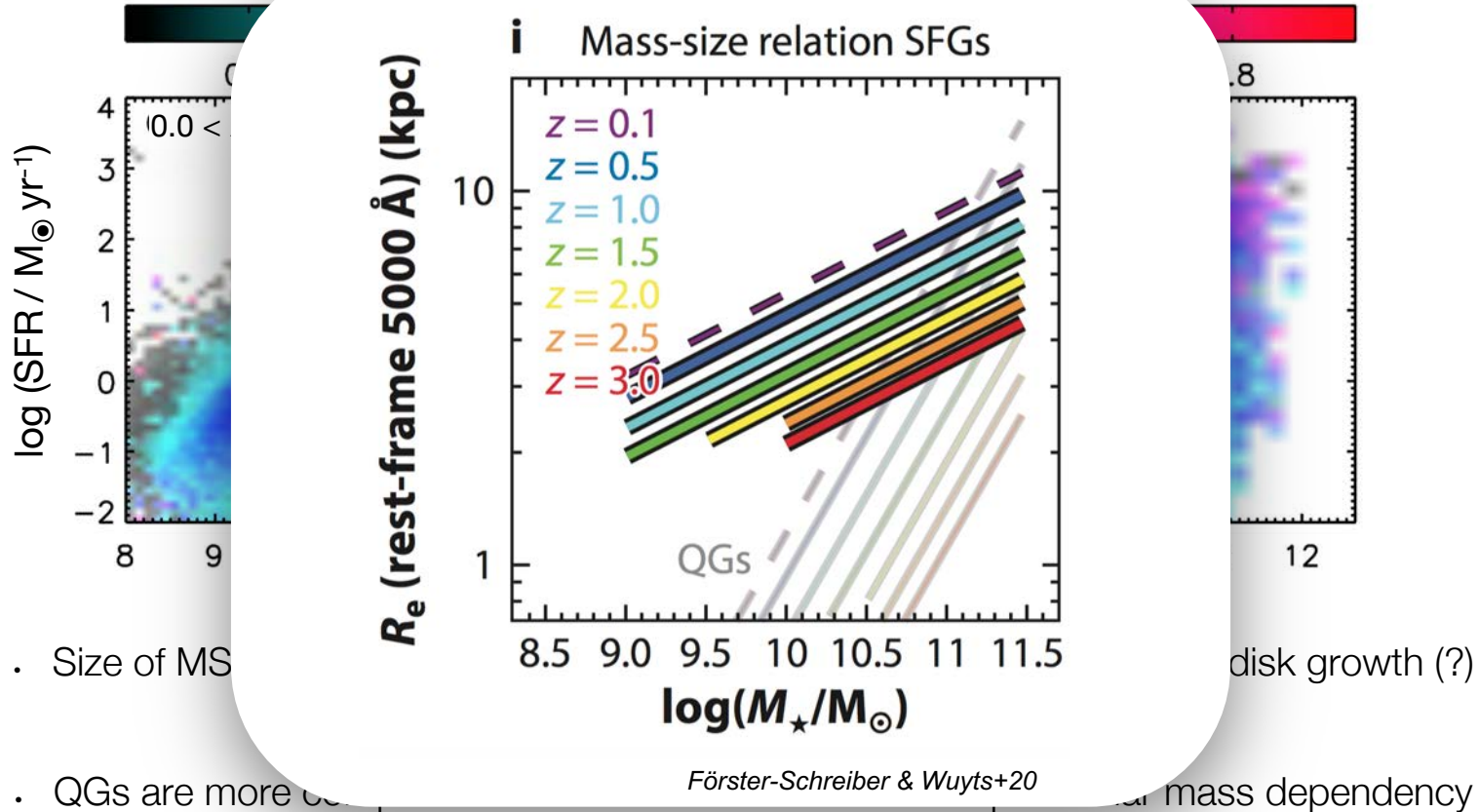
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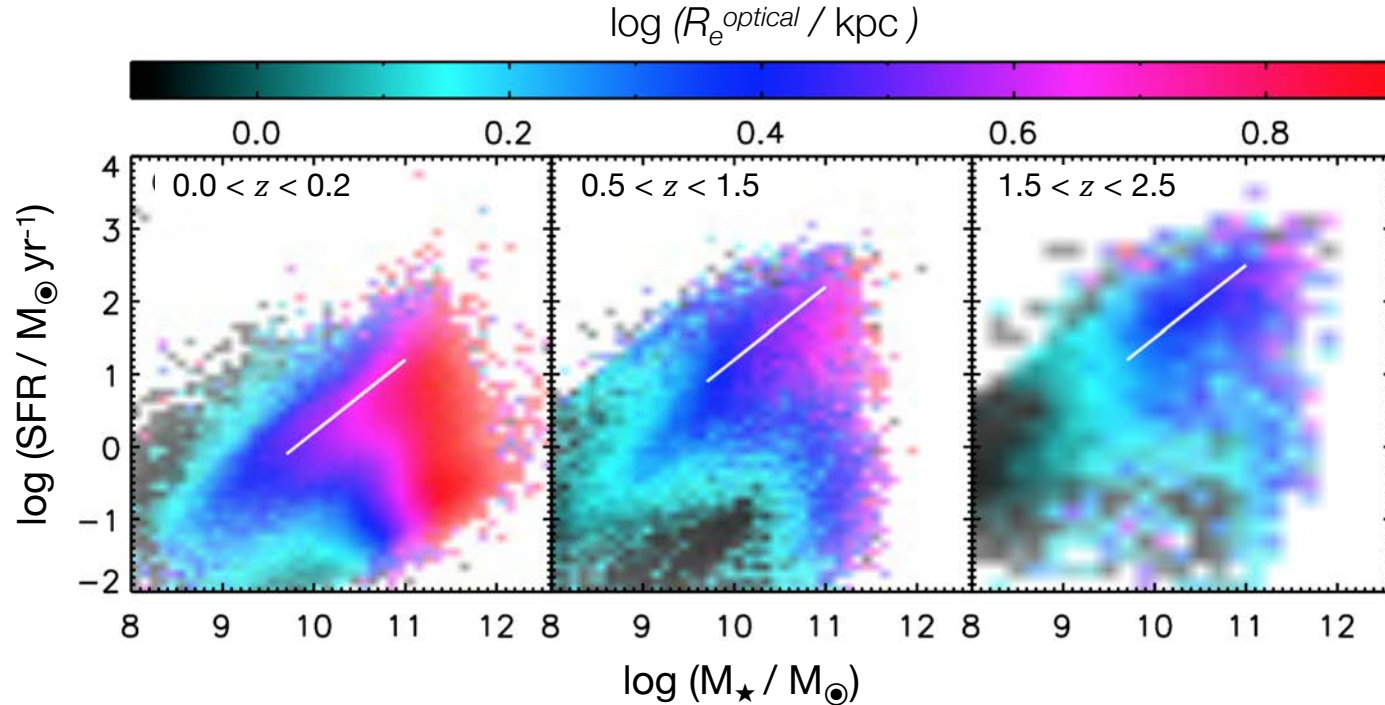


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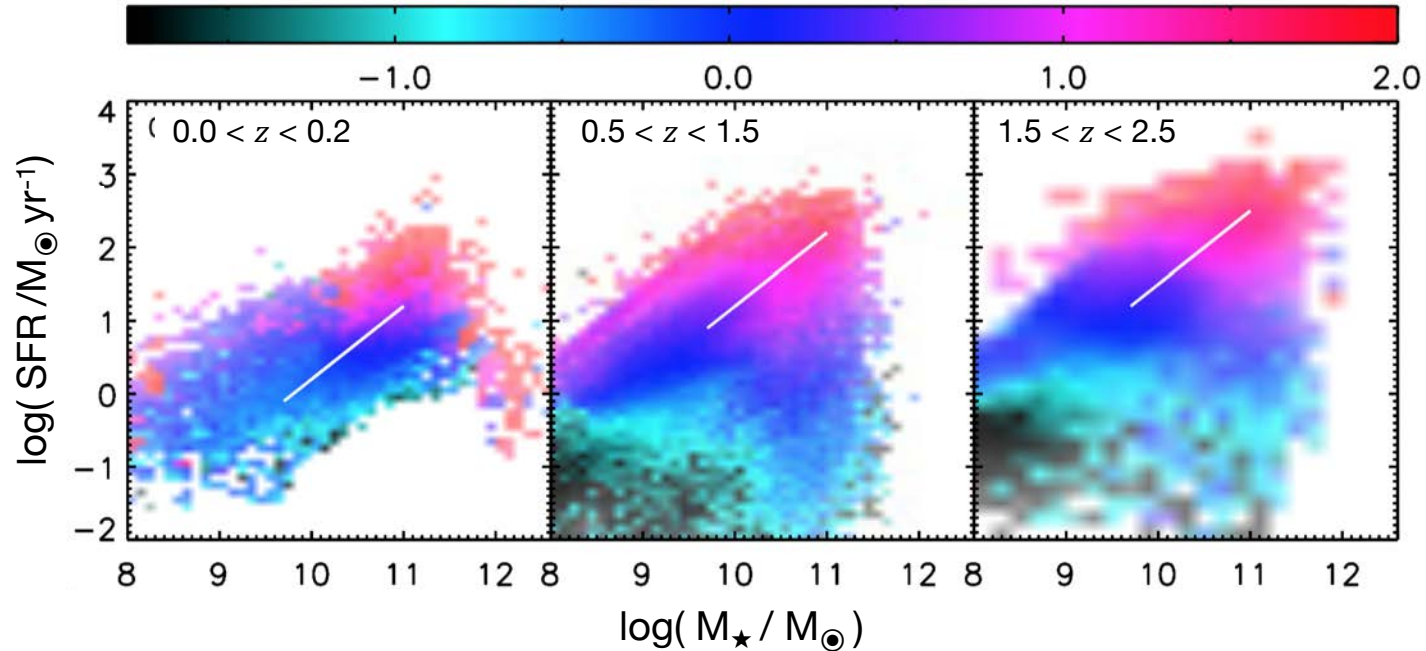
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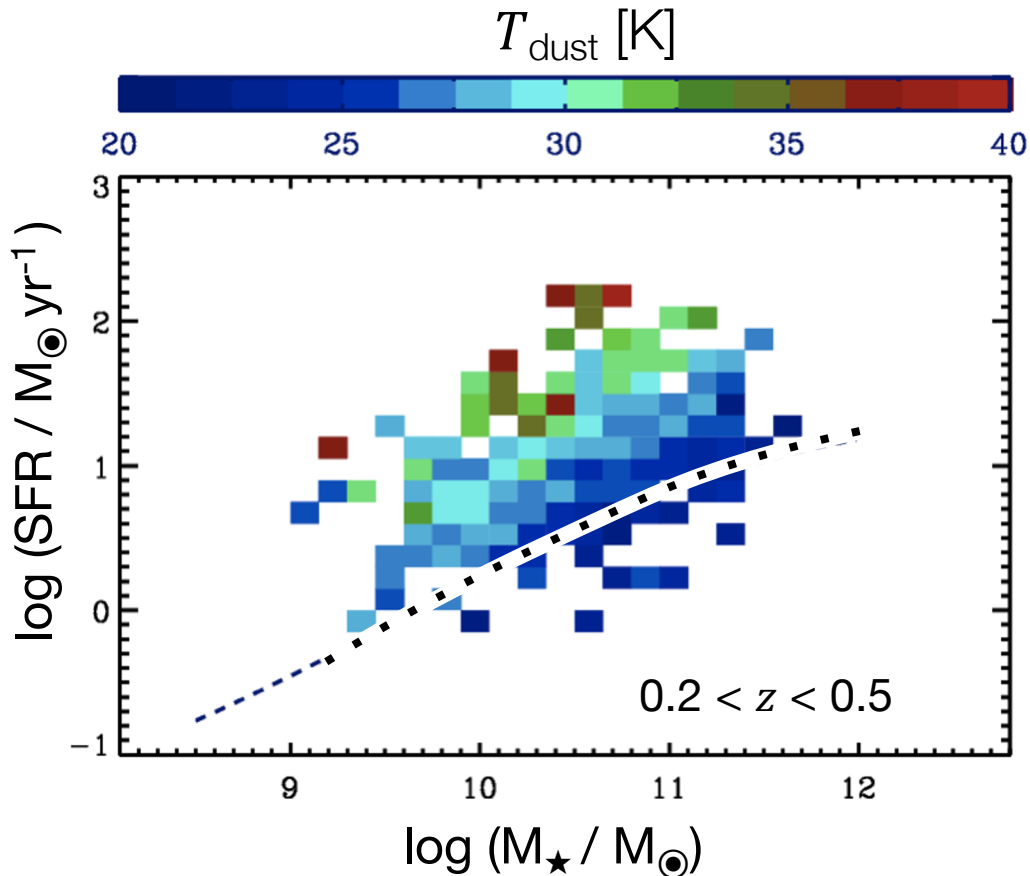
$\log(SFR_{IR} / SFR_{UV}) \equiv$ level of dust extinction

Heavily obscured



- Dust obscuration increase with ΔMS and stellar masses but remains relatively constant with redshift
→ Considering the strong decrease of metallicity with redshift, this suggest that high- z MS galaxies have ISM conditions moving closer to those of local starbursts.

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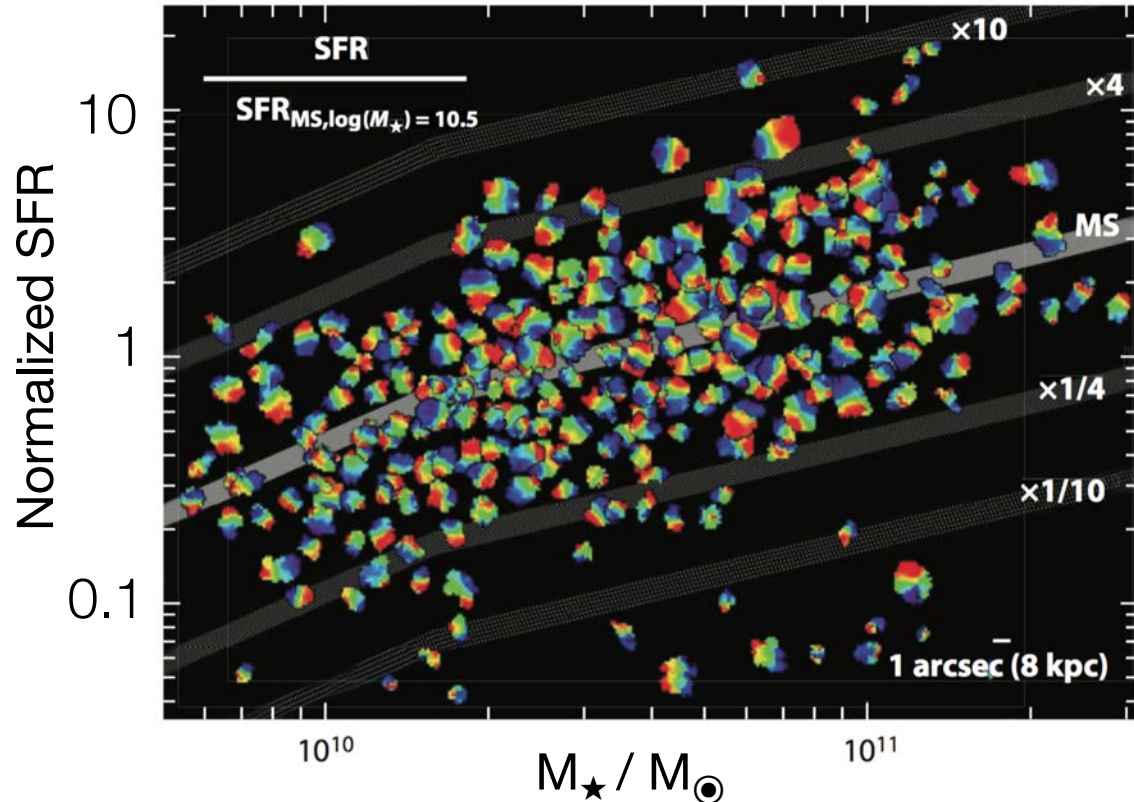


- MS galaxies with vastly different SFR exhibit similar dust temperature. This temperature increases only slightly with redshift
- SBs have higher dust temperatures, (suggesting higher SF efficiencies compared to MS) with little redshift evolution

T_{dust} and IR/UV suggest that on global scales, the properties of (massive) MS galaxies does not evolve significantly with SFR and redshift (~filling factor of relatively similar star-forming regions)

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H α velocity fields (VLT-KMOS, near-IR, H α at 2 μ m at z=2)



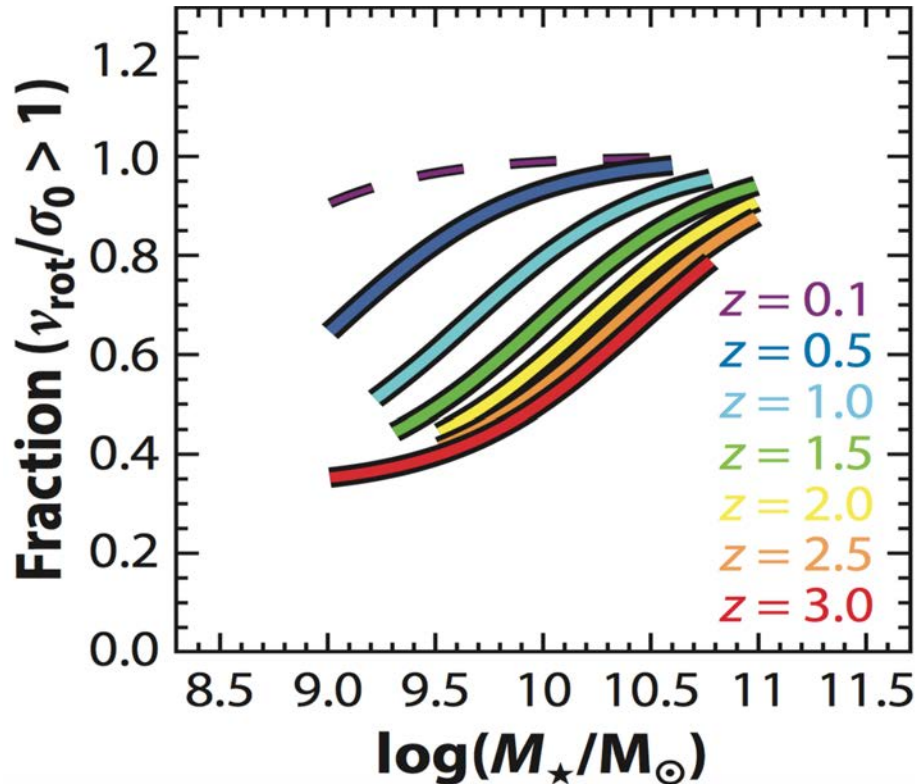
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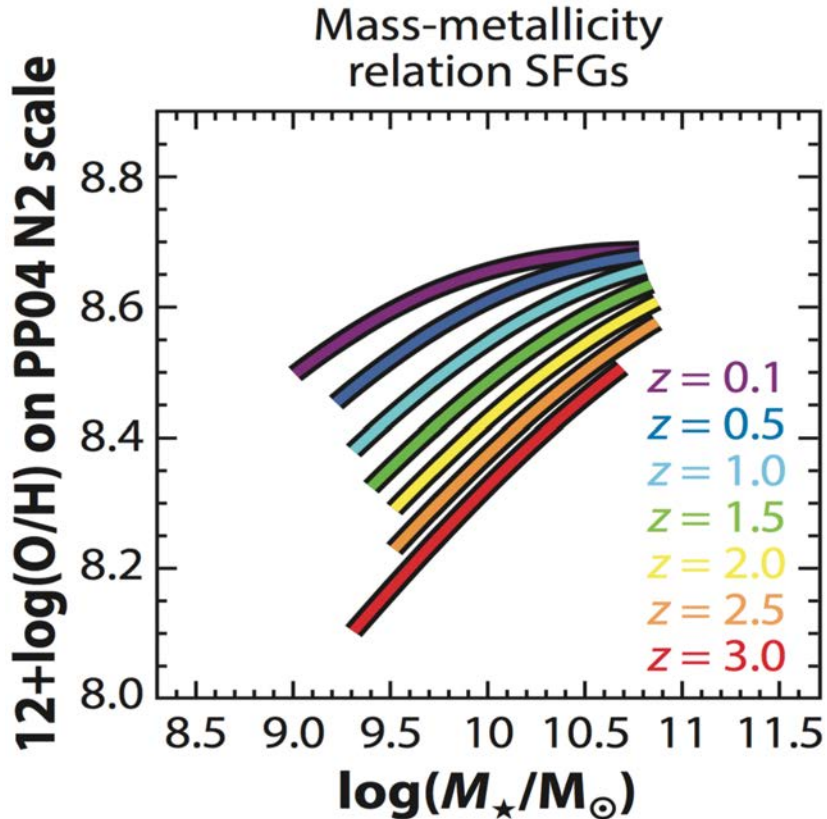
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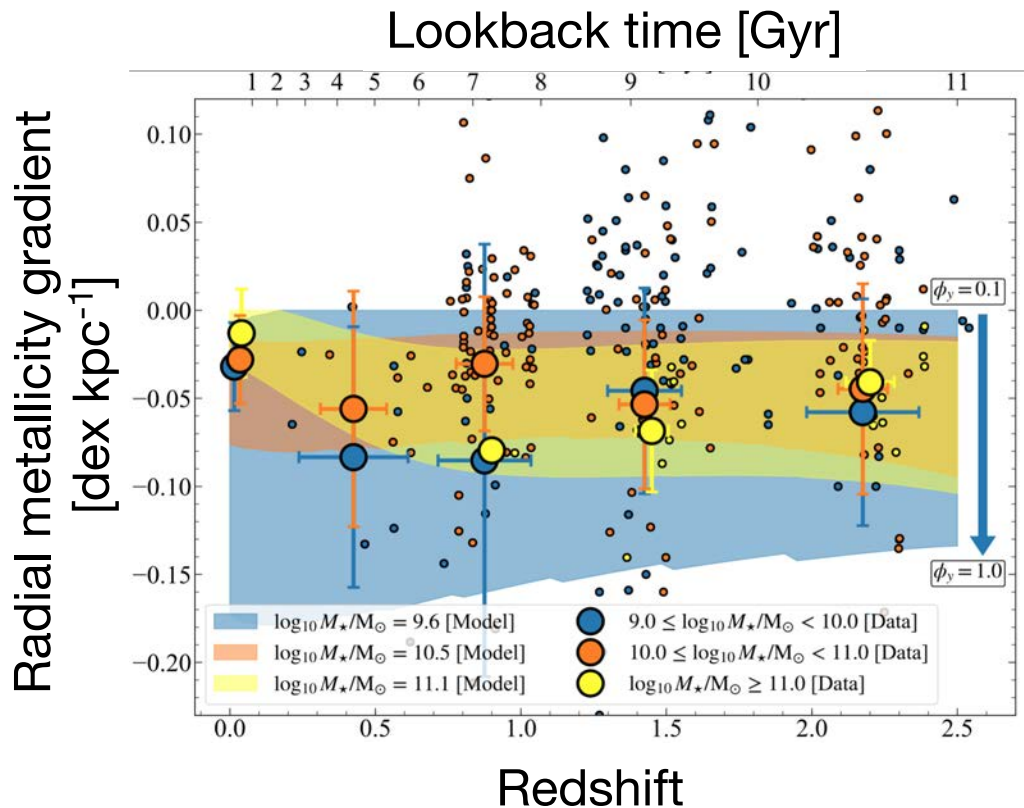
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- Metallicity of MS galaxies increases with mass and decreases with redshift (→ Metal enrichment by newly formed stars)
 - SBs show lower metallicity than MS galaxies of similar mass and redshift (→ inflow of pristine gas/HI (?))
- The slope of the mass-metallicity relation can only be reproduced by models with efficient outflows in low mass galaxies (e.g., Davé+11)

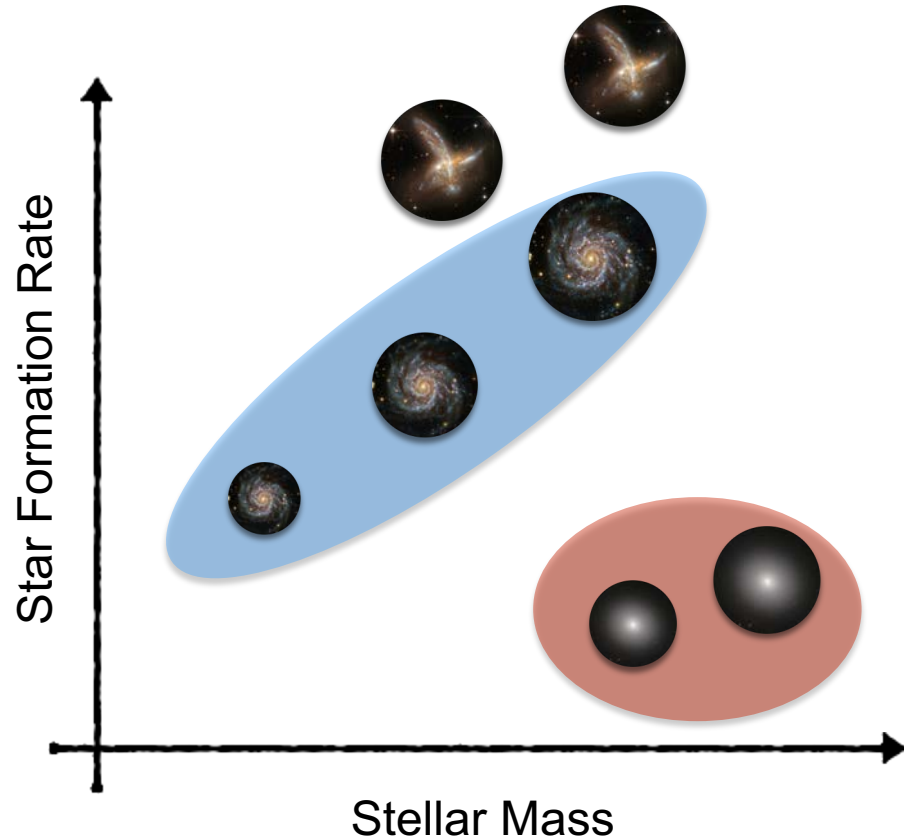
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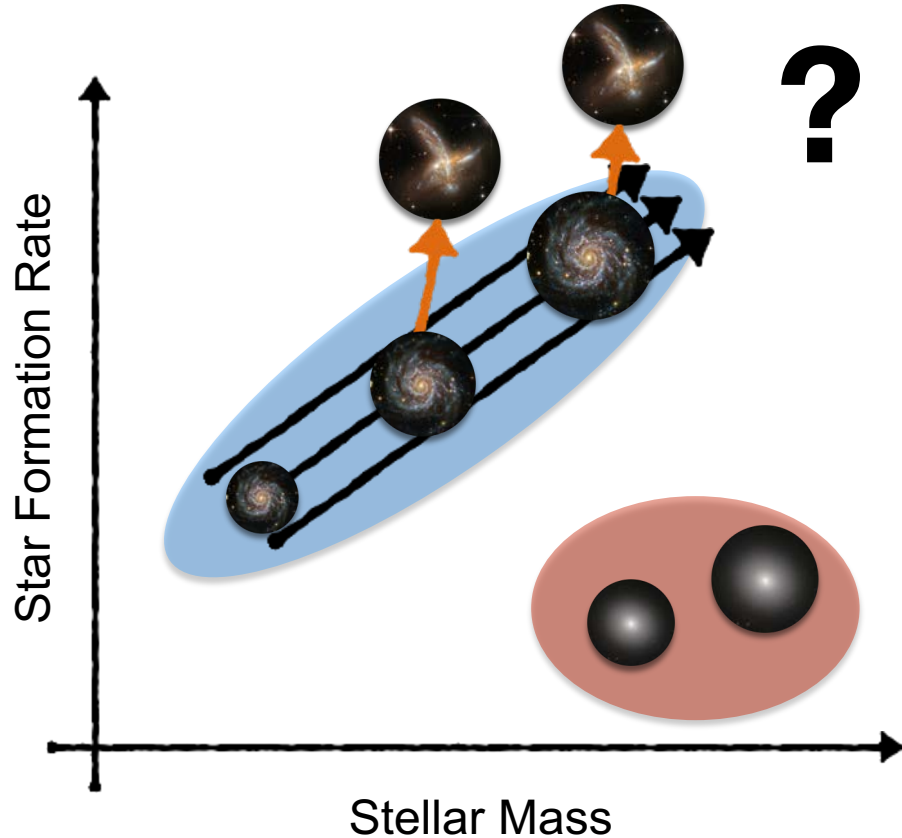
- Radial metallicity gradient are typically flat but with wide spread

→ Metal redistribution via outflows and turbulence/gas transport is important

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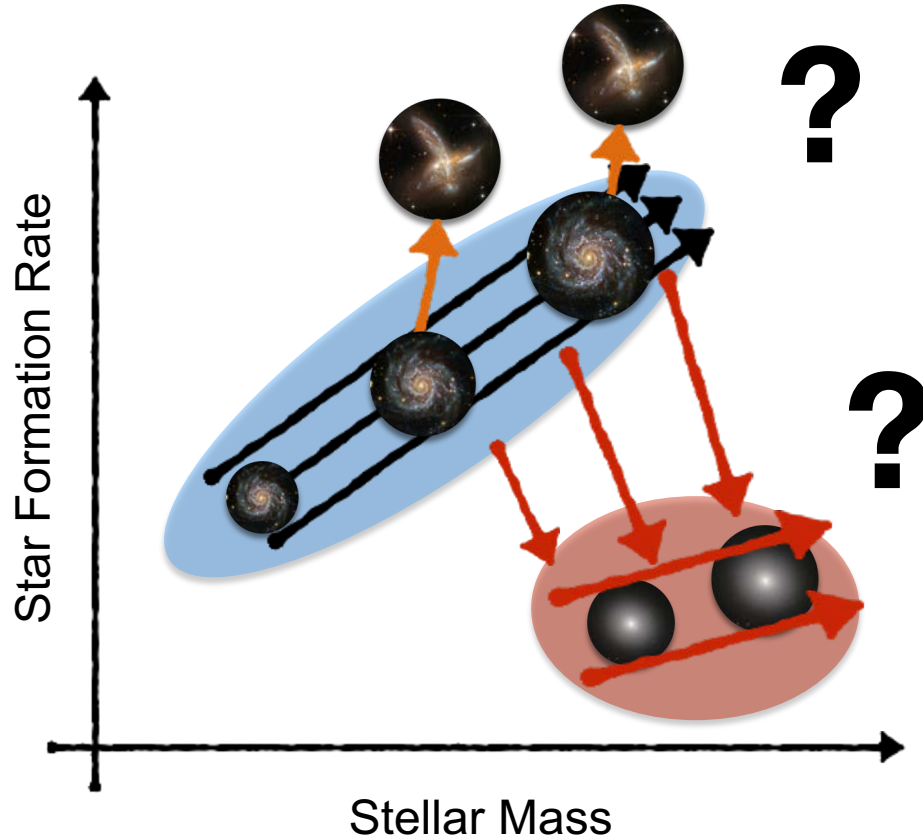


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- Which mechanism(s) quenches star formation and yields to the build up of the “red sequence” ?
(Part IV)

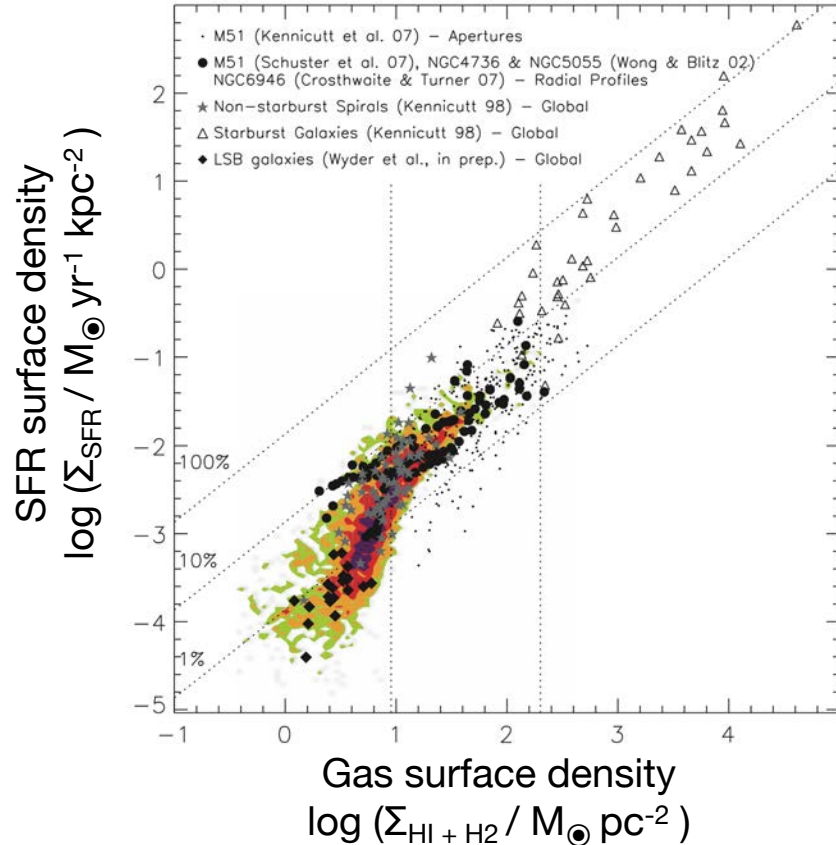
Part III :

gas is the main driver of galaxy formation & evolution

→ adding the fourth dimension of the gas content & state

Gas scaling relations

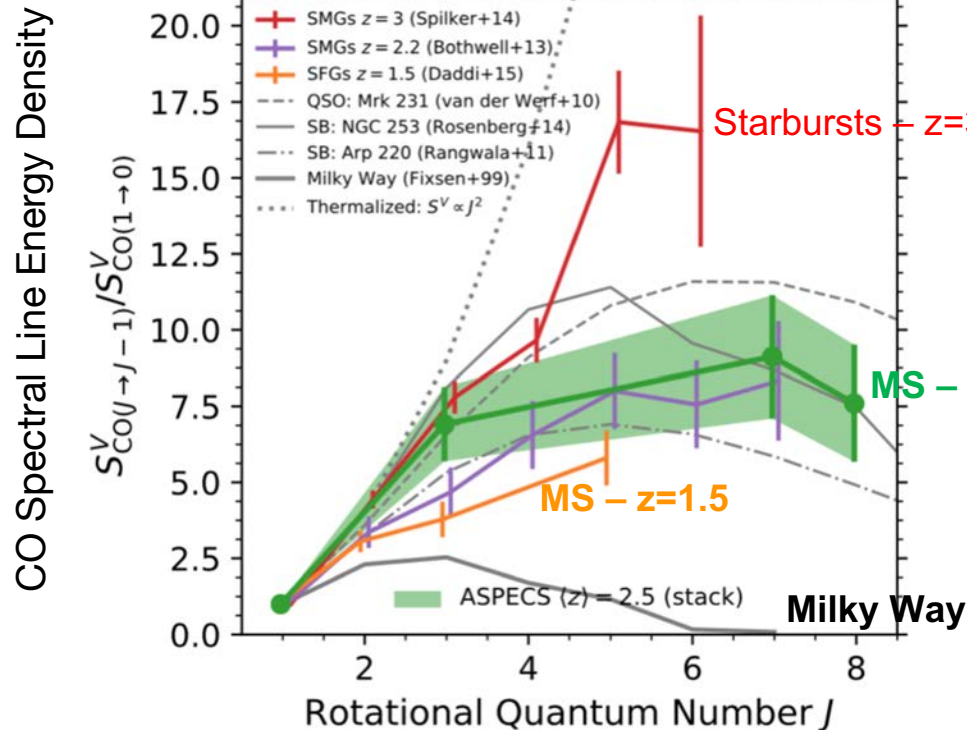
Part III : The gas properties of MS galaxies -- The Schmidt-Kennicutt relation



The tight correlation between Σ_{SFR} and Σ_{H_2} (the so-called Schmidt-Kennicutt relation) suggests that the molecular gas phase is key to understand star formation

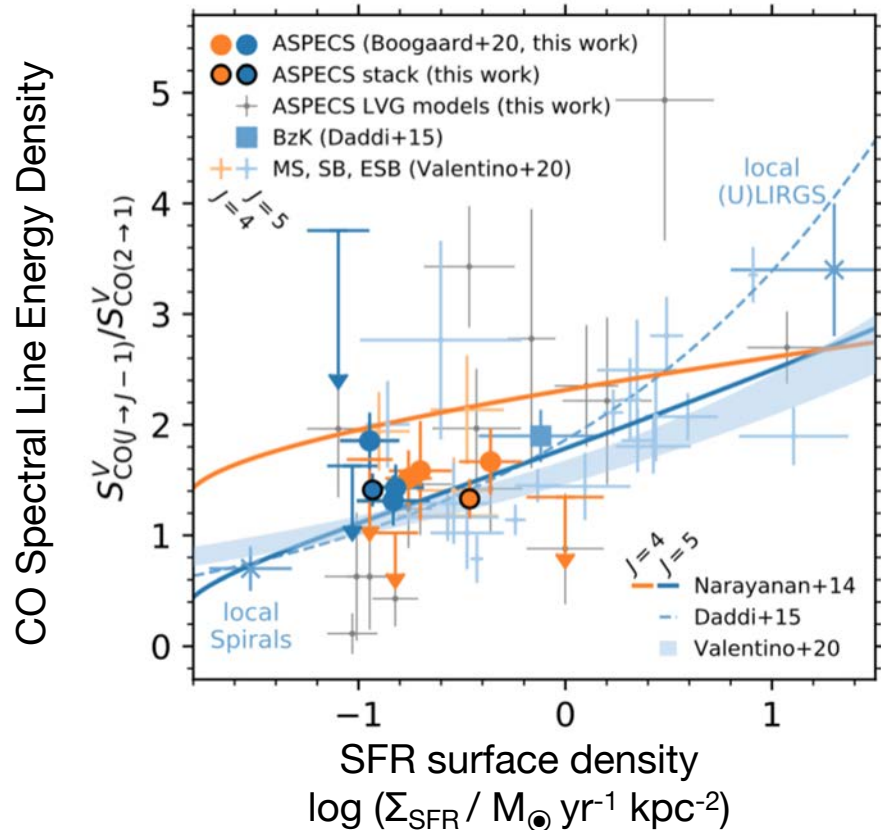
Due to the absence of strong dipole moment the H_2 gas is mostly traced indirectly via CO emission, i.e., the second most abundant molecules in giant molecular clouds

Part III : The gas properties of MS galaxies -- CO SLED



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- high- z SBs exhibit highly-excited, nearly-thermalized up to $J = 6$ CO SLEDs

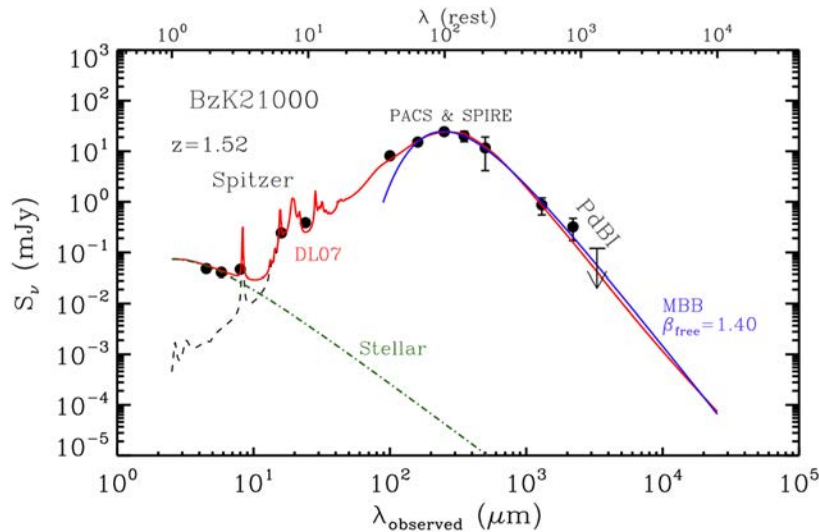
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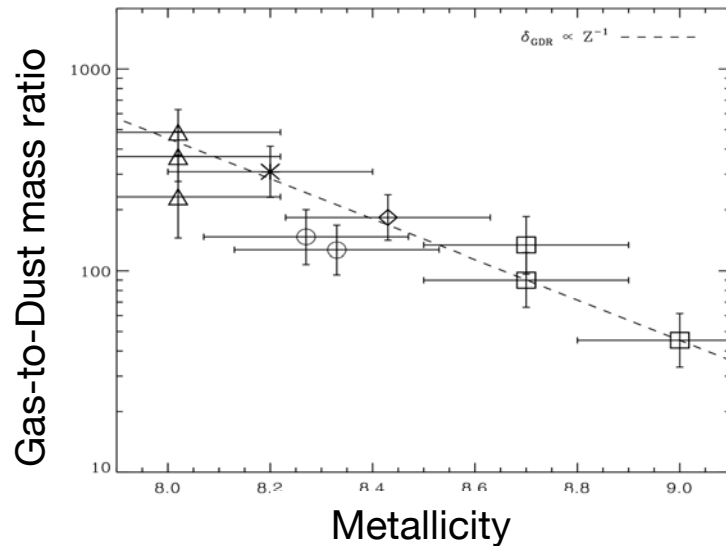
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 - high-z SBs exhibit highly-excited, nearly-thermalized up to $J = 6$ CO SLEDs
- high-z MS galaxies have more excited CO SLEDs consistent with their high SFR surface densities

Part III : The gas properties of MS galaxies -- Dust-based molecular gas masses

Unfortunately, CO observations of high- z MS galaxies still require hour(s) of observing time with ALMA.
 → Alternative proxy of the (molecular) gas: the dust-based approach (\sim mins with ALMA, albeit T_{dust})



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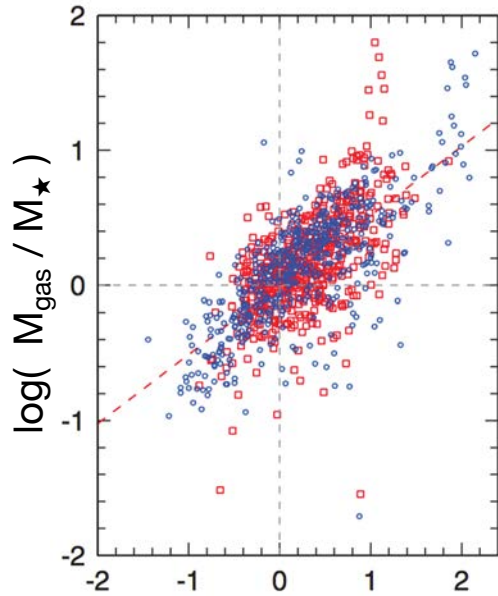


$$M_{\text{dust}} = \frac{L_{\nu}}{4\pi\kappa_{\nu}B_{\nu}(T_d)} \quad \kappa_{\nu} = \kappa_0 \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0} \right)^{\beta}$$

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Part III : The gas properties of MS galaxies -- (Molecular) Gas scaling relation

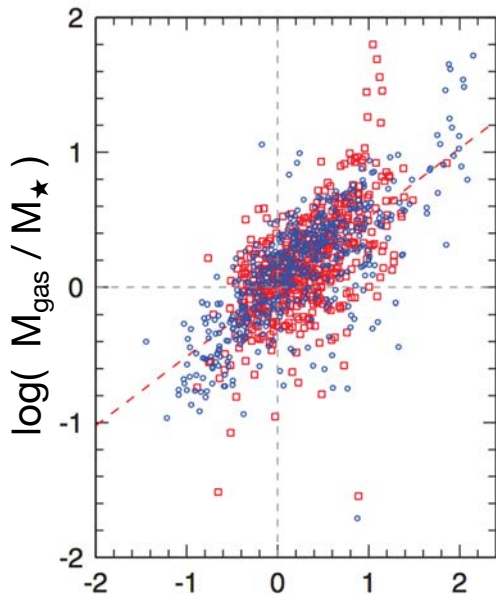
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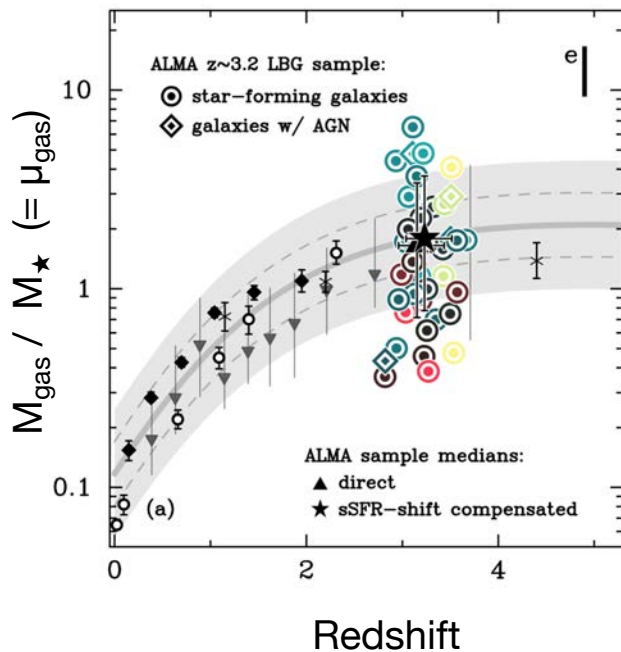
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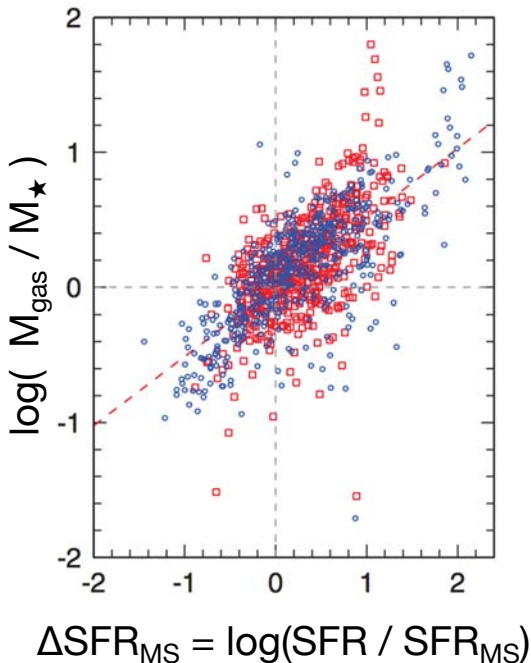
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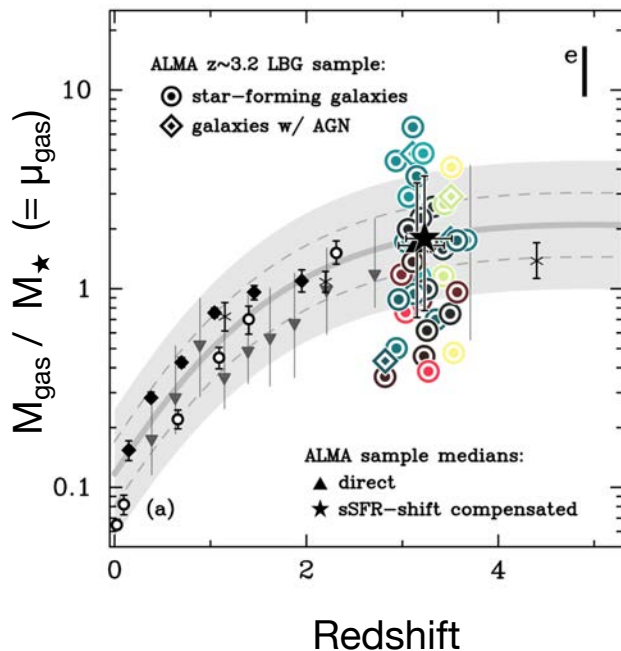


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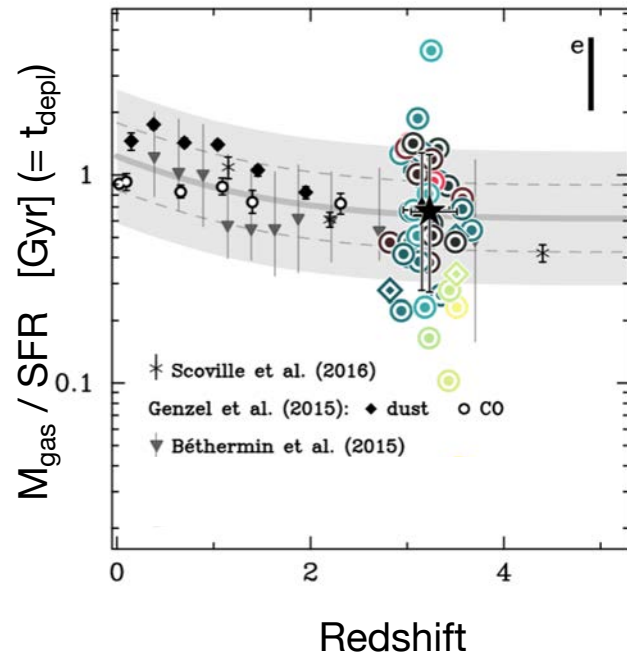
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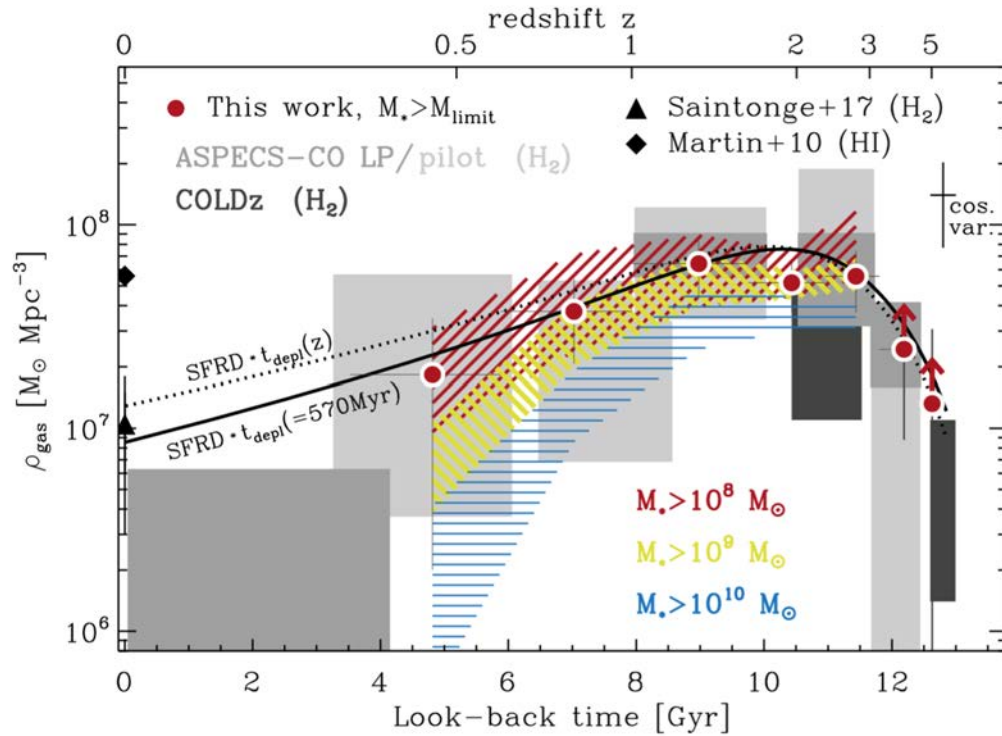


Small gas reservoir
→ Accretion of fresh gas from the IGM



Part III : The gas properties of MS galaxies -- Cosmic Molecular Gas Mass Density

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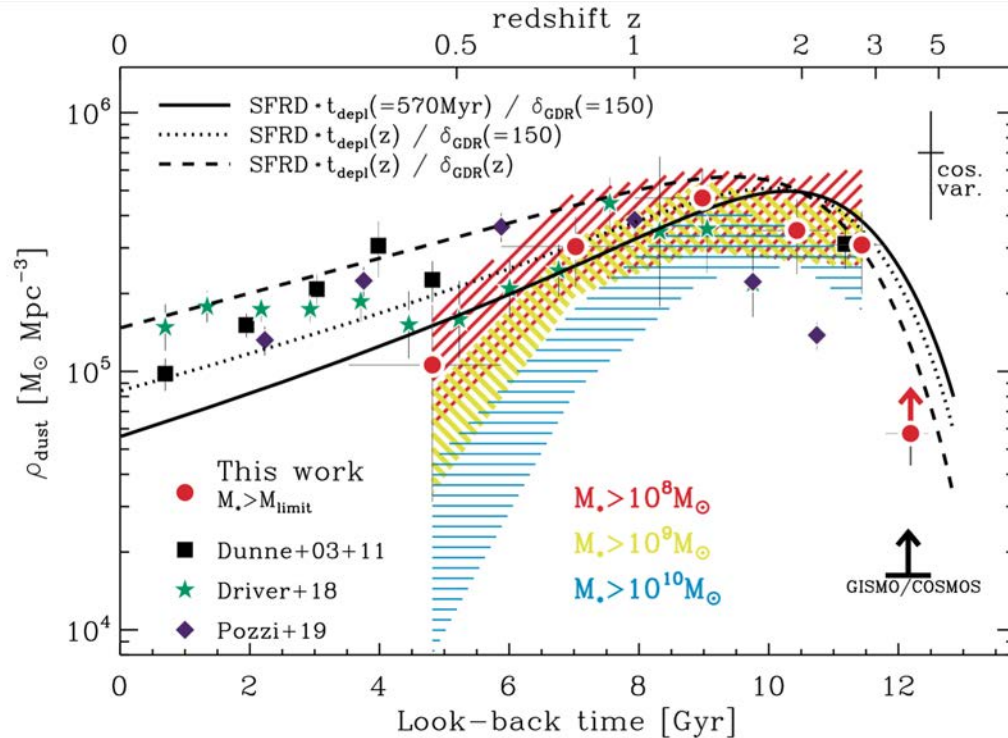


Also on global, cosmic-average scales, the evolution of the SFR density of the Universe seems driven by the availability of gas

At any given epoch, the average depletion time of the molecular gas reservoir of galaxies is ~ 600 Myr

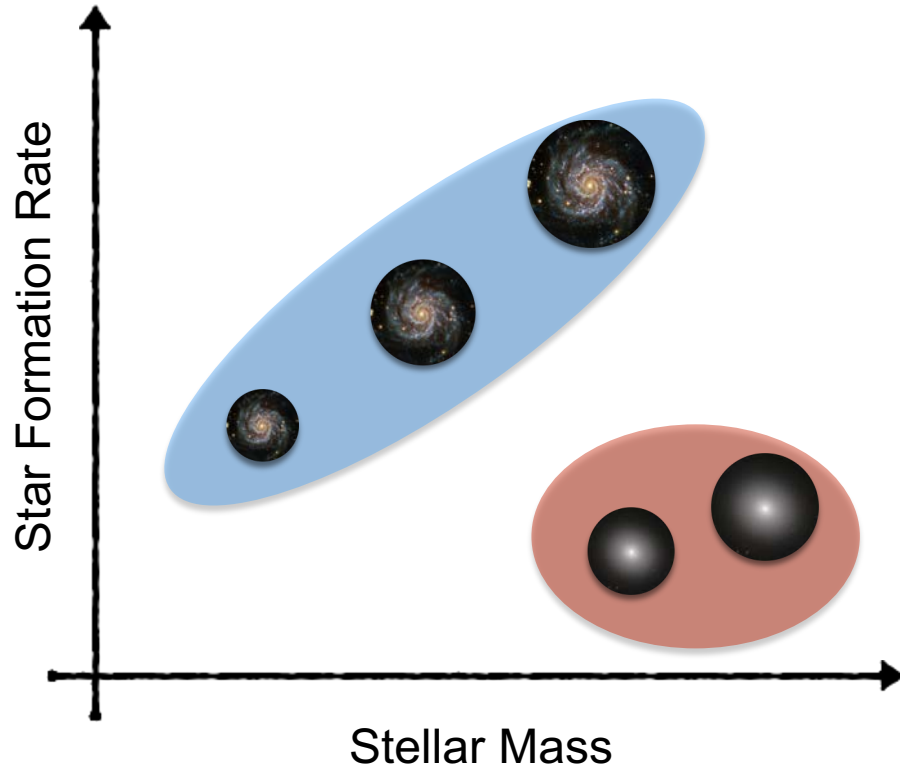
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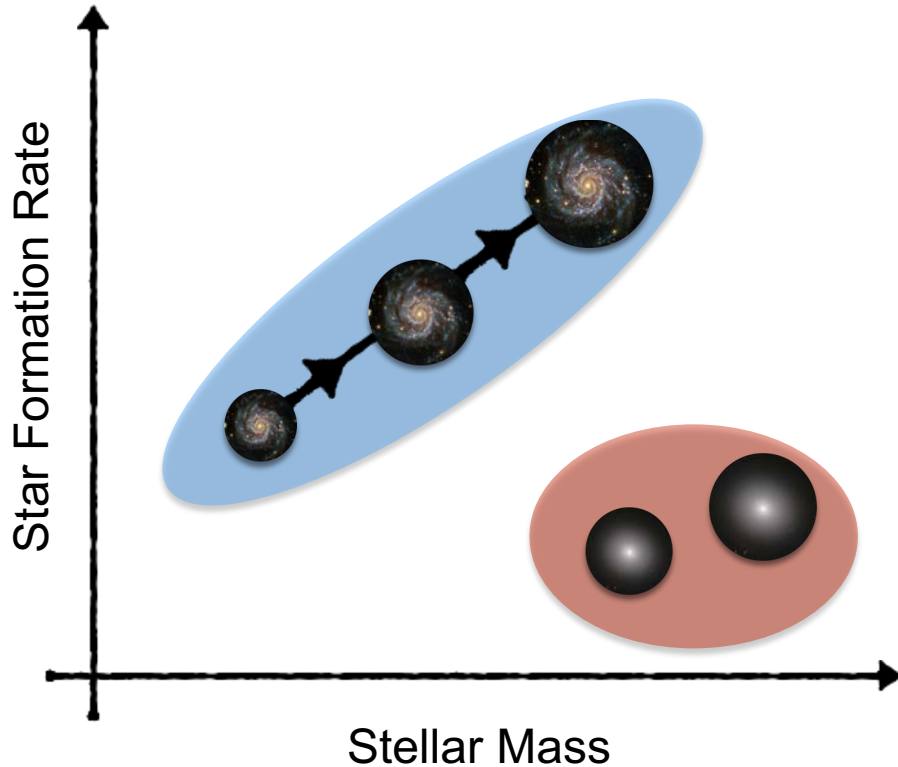


Very rapid build up of the cosmic dust mass density, suggesting very efficient dust yield at early time (SNe, AGB and ISM growth)

Part III : Galaxy evolution : a new paradigm

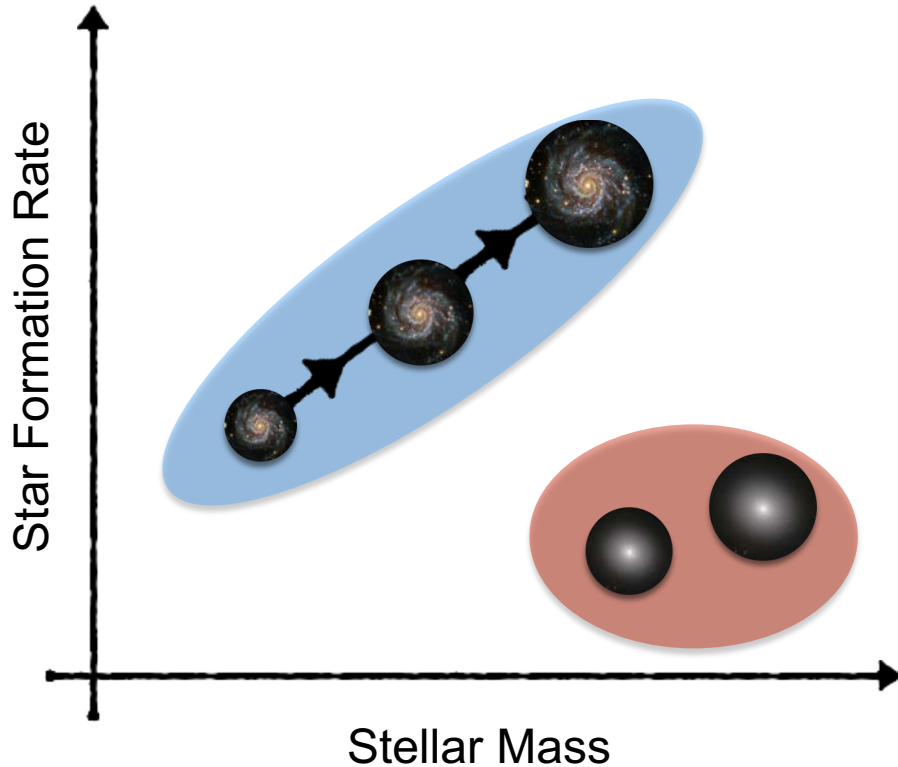


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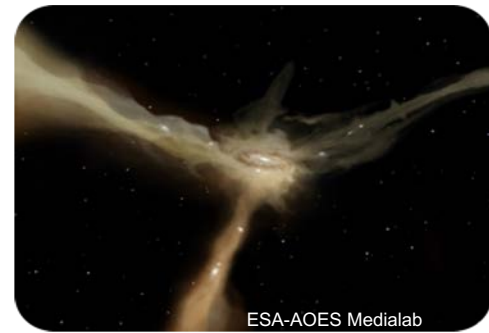


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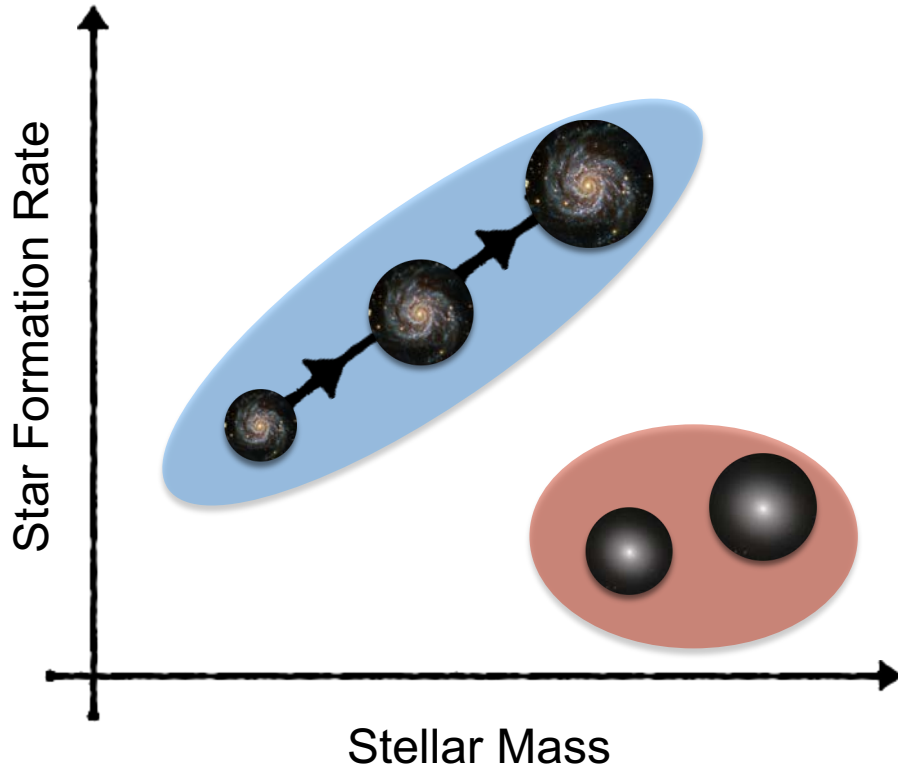
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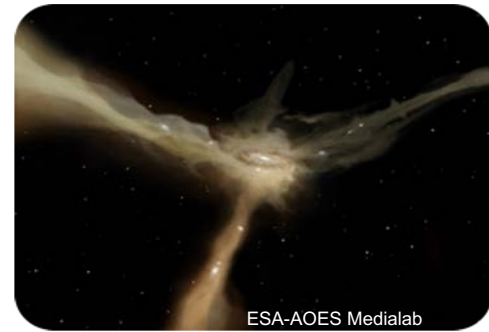
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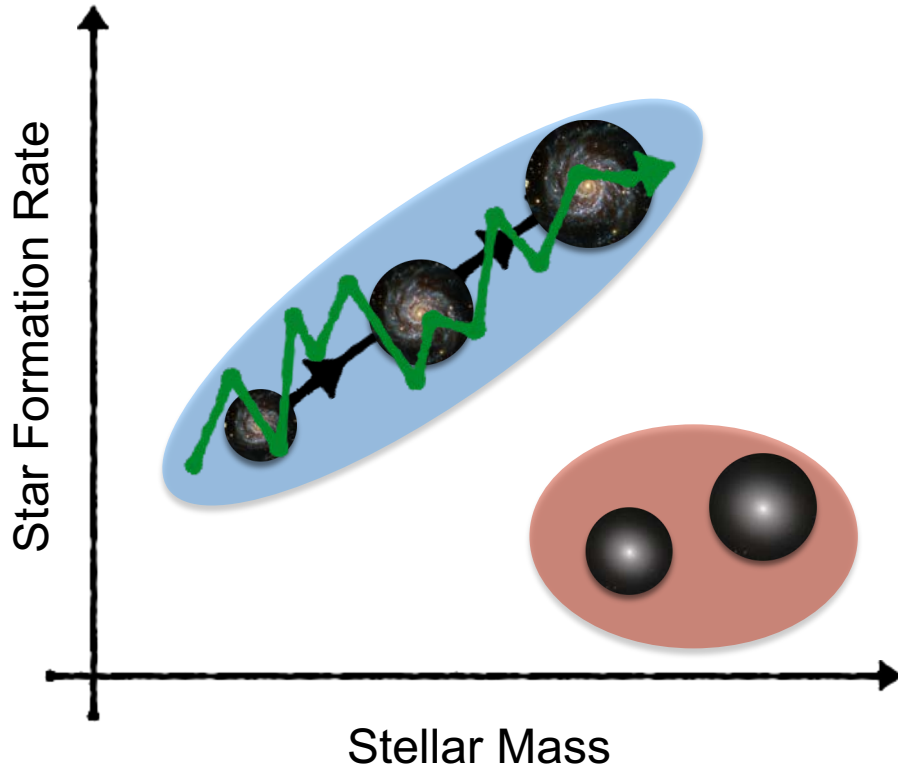
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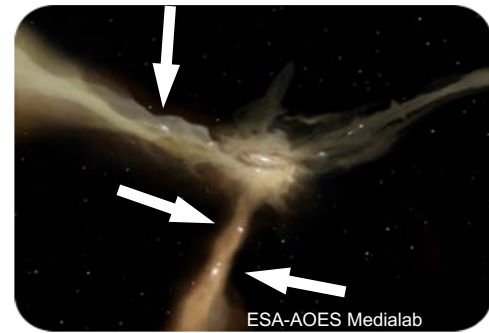
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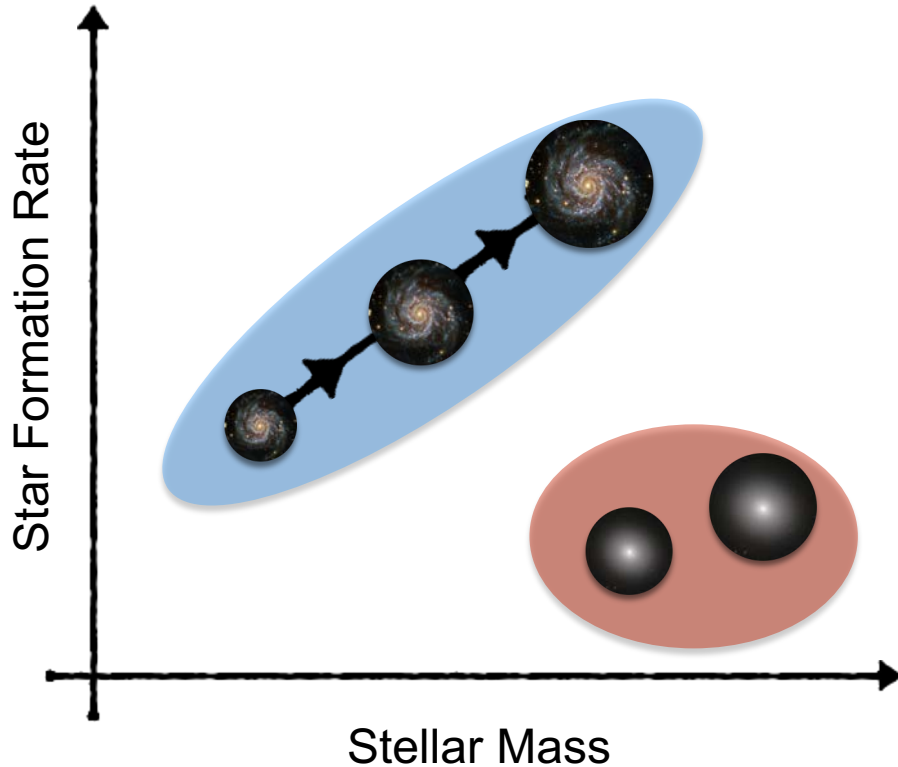


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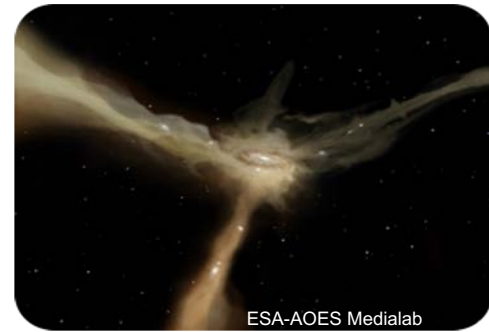


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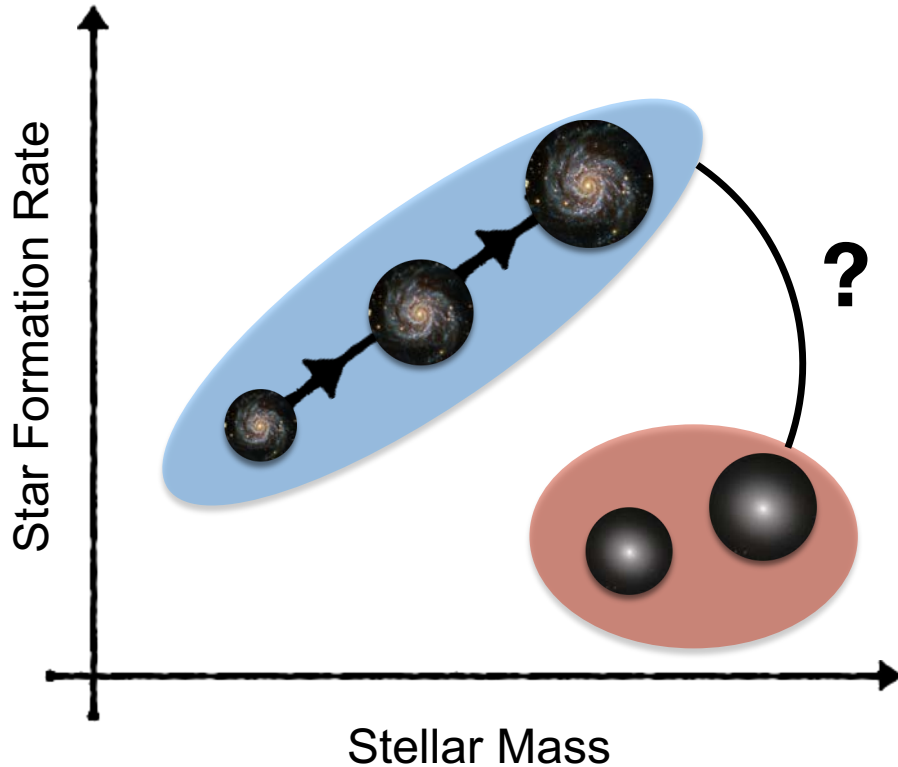
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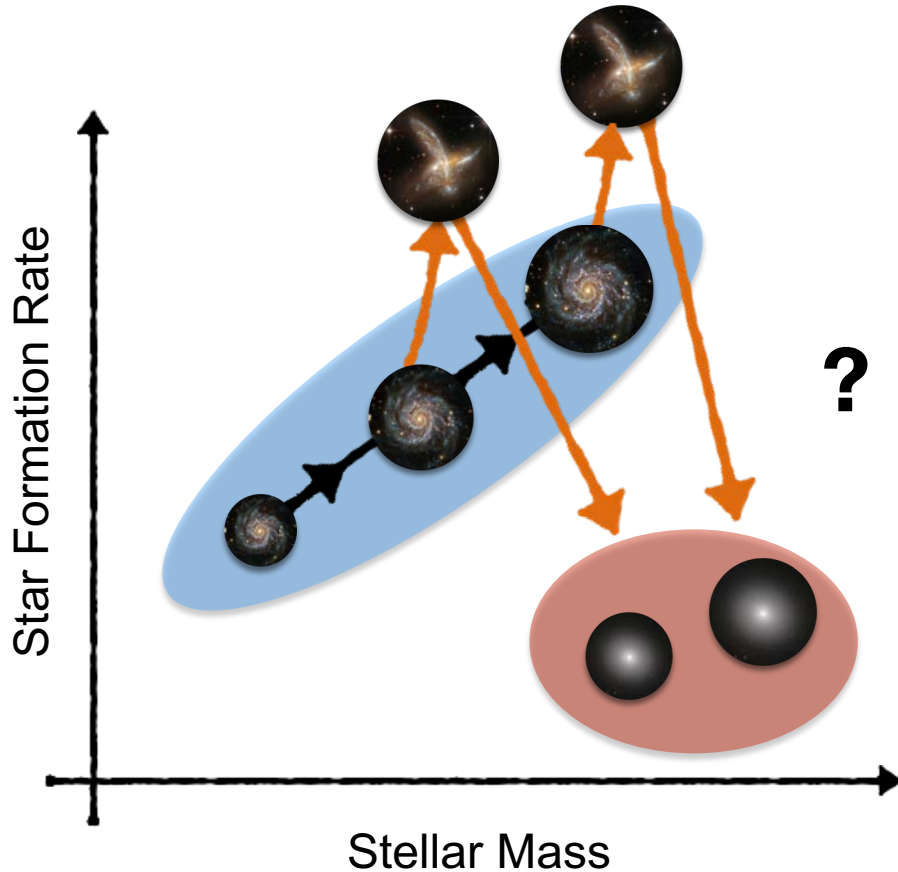


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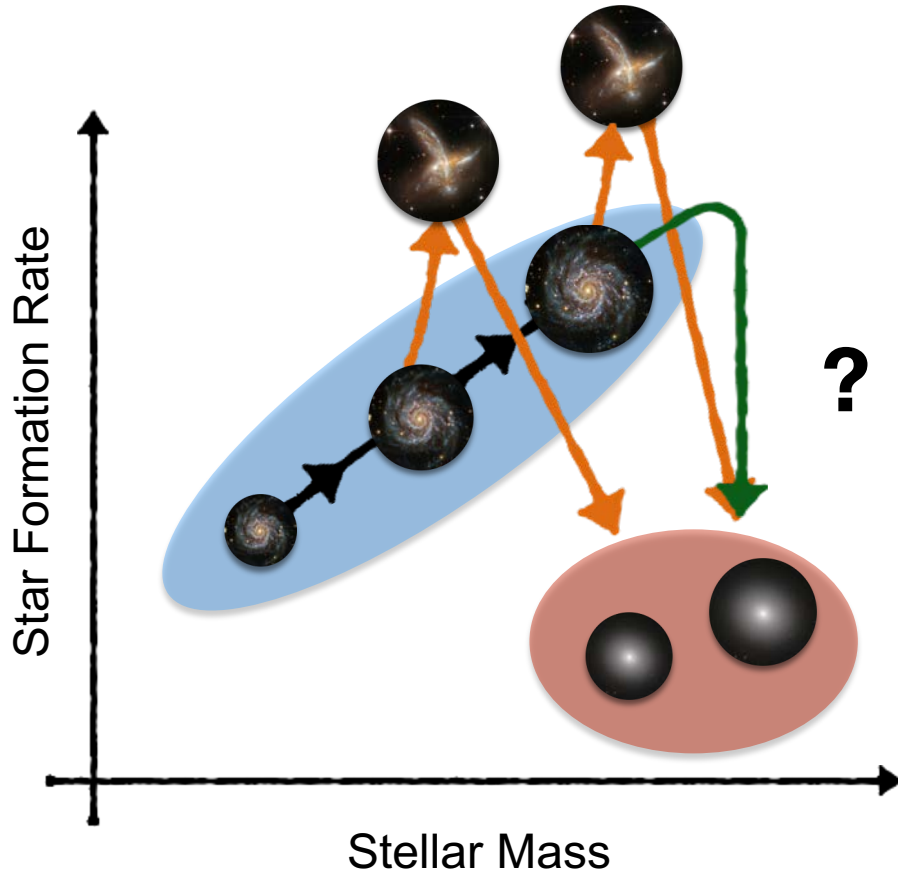
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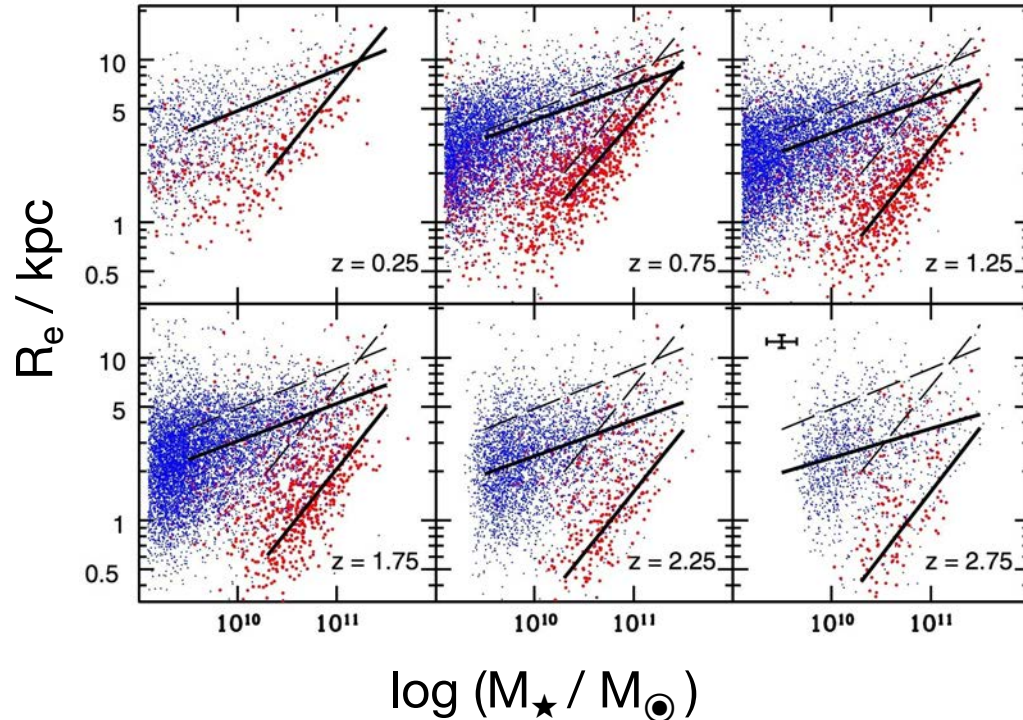
Part IV :

gas infall is the main driver of galaxy evolution

→ why do galaxies become passive?...

The quenching of star formation

Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- Size evolution



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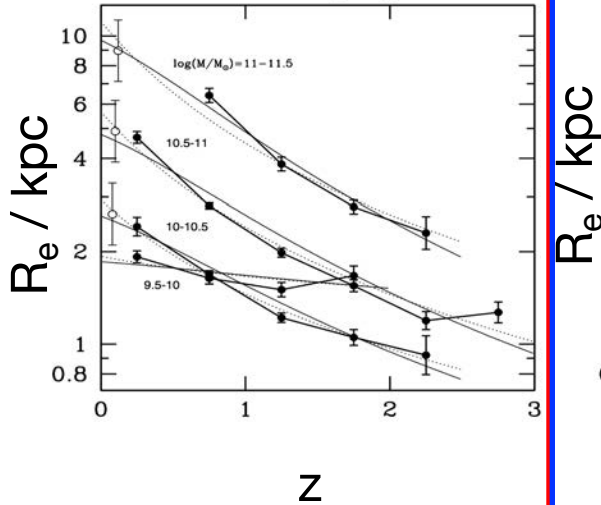
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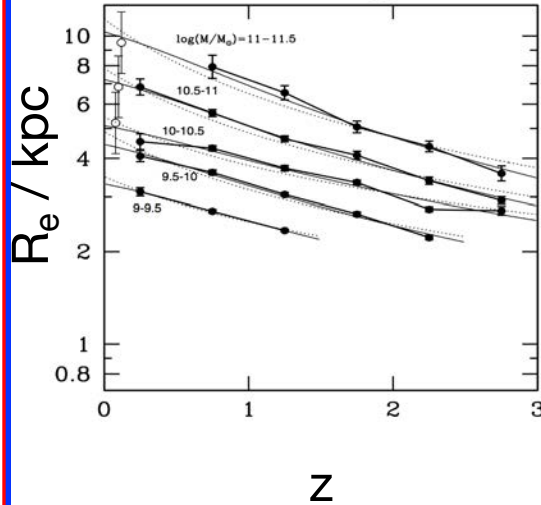
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Median Size of Early-Type Galaxies



Median Size of Late-Type Galaxies



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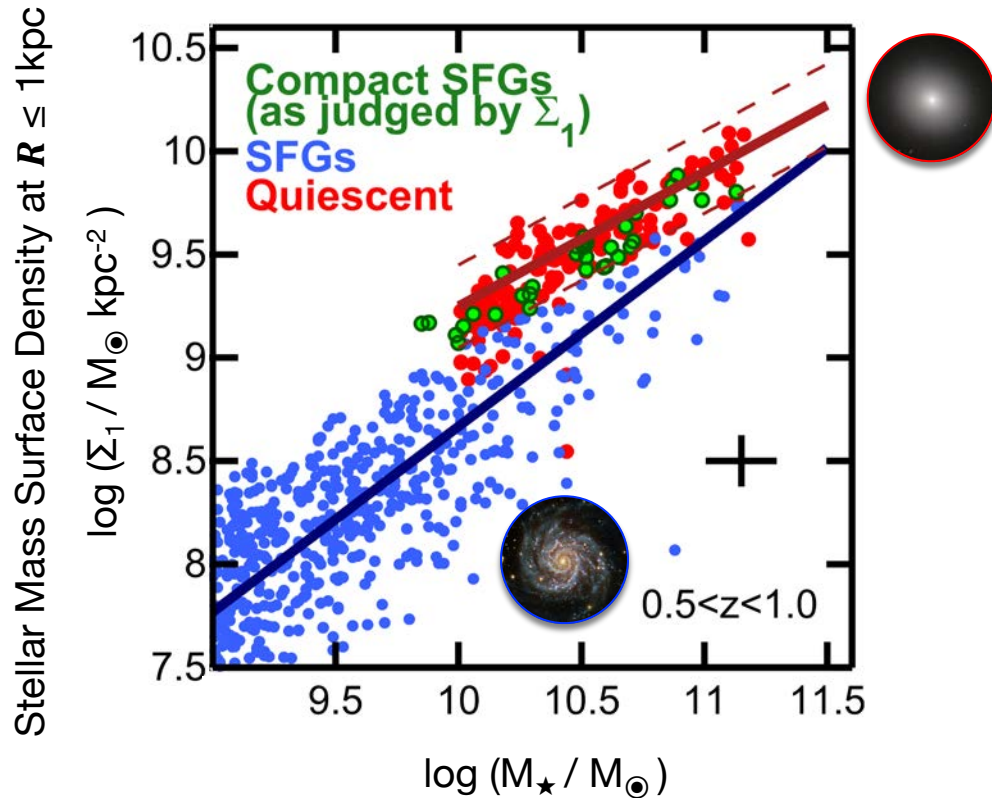
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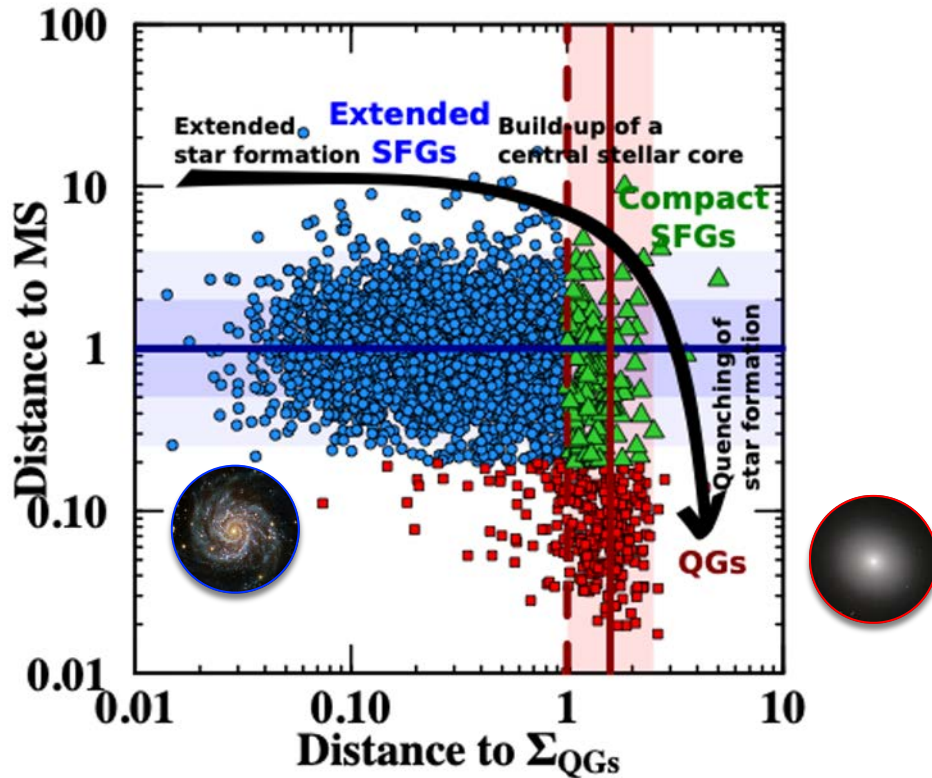
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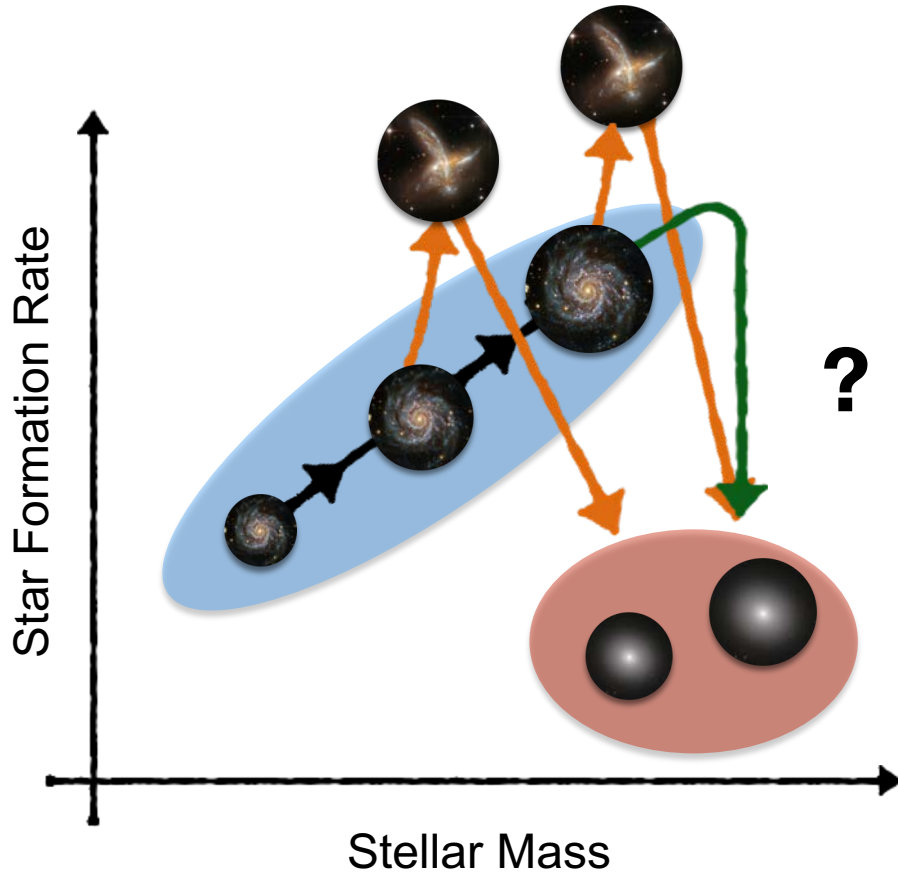
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- The build-up of compact stellar cores precedes galaxy quenching

Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- Rapid vs secular evolution

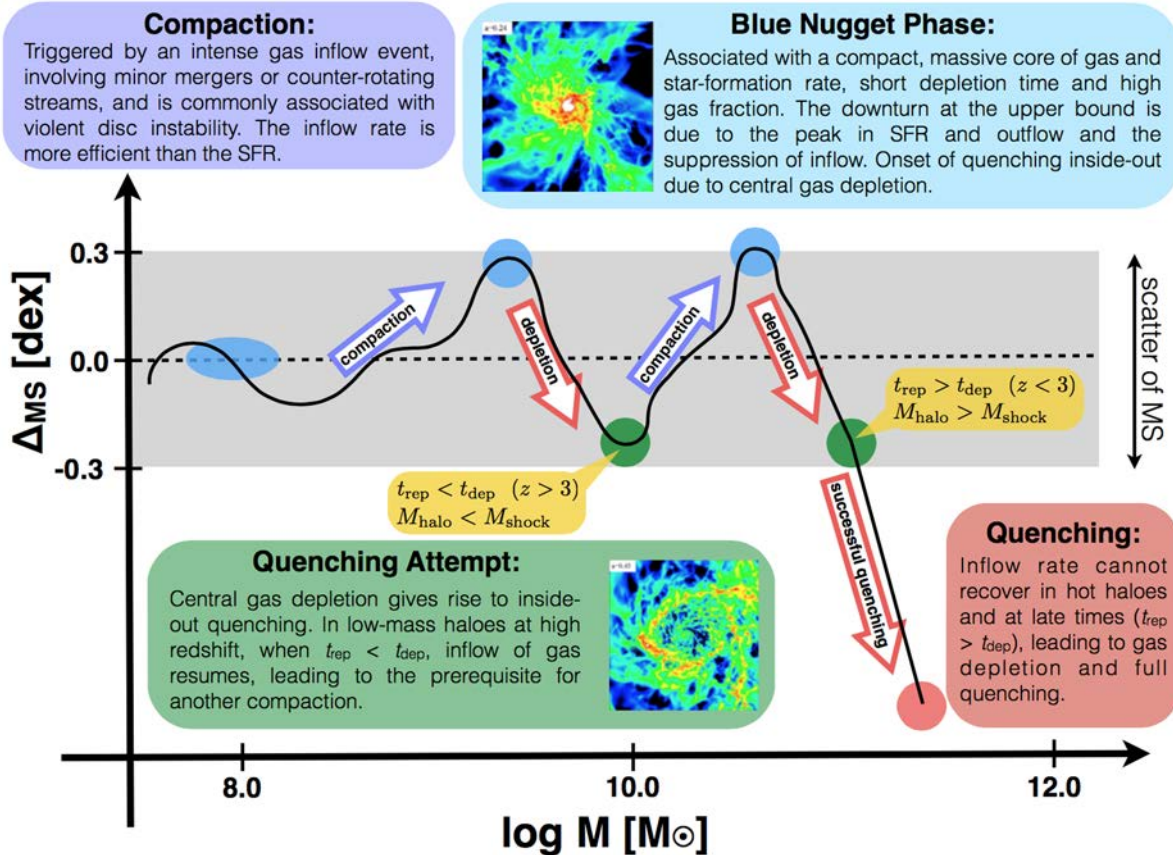


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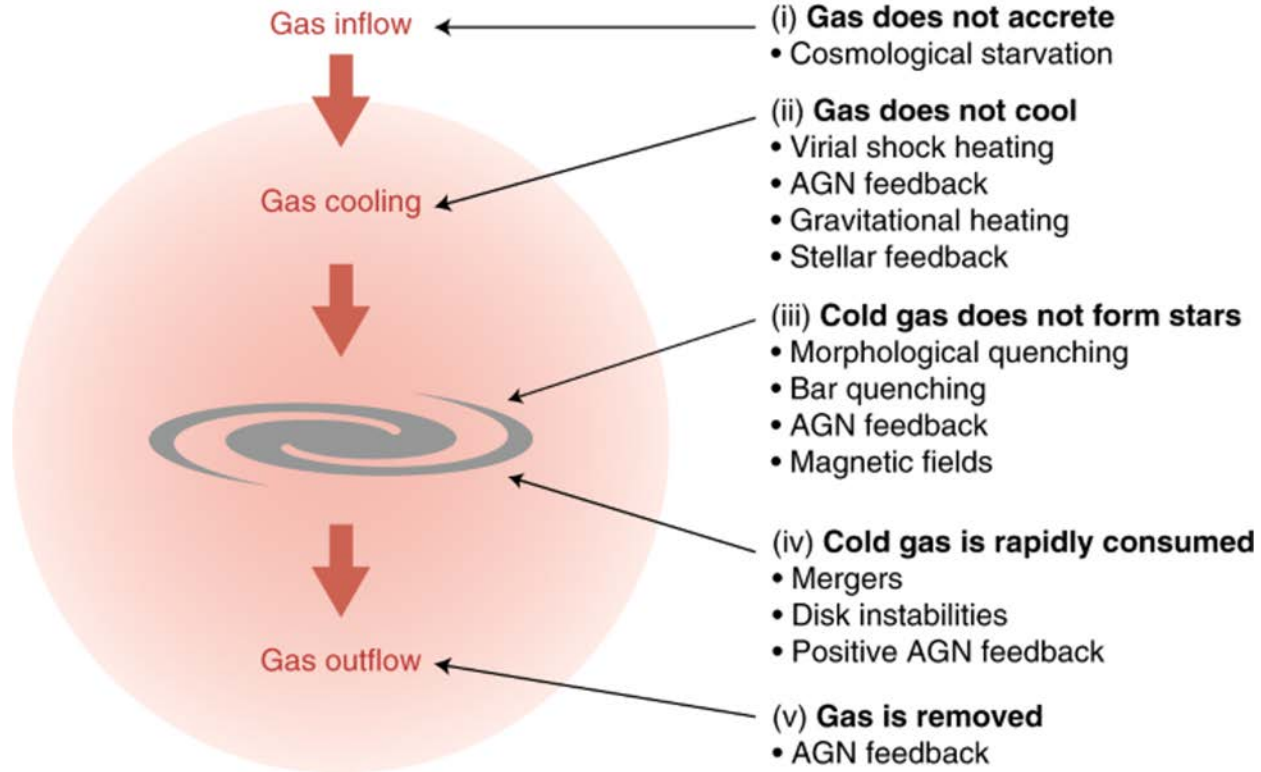
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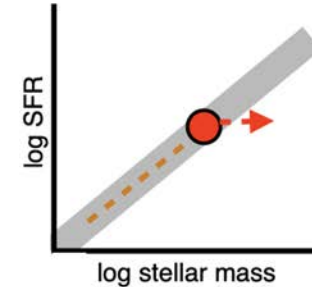
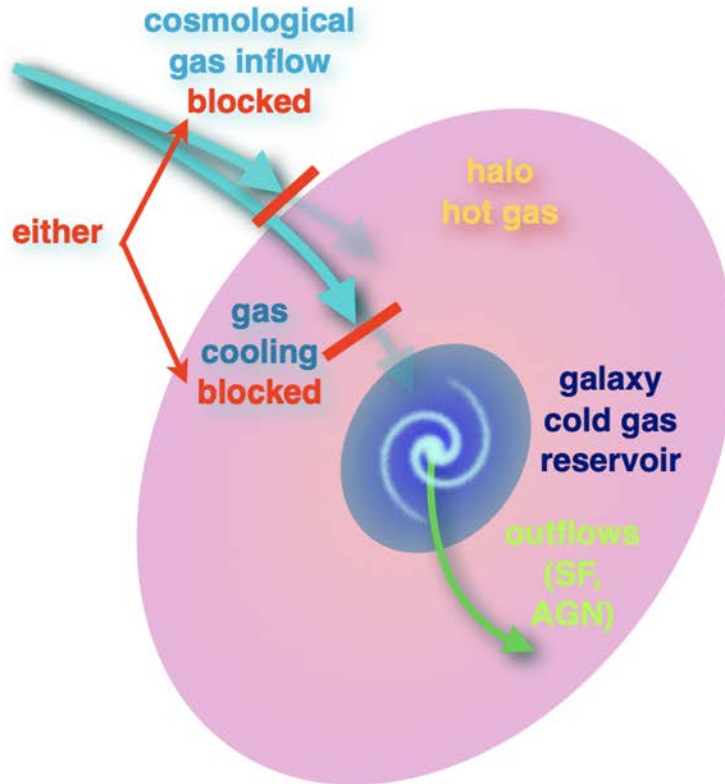
- Rapid: Mergers are capable of triggering short-lived starburst episodes of compact star formation
- Secular: Accretion and efficient gas transport inwards builds up compact stellar cores
- Either rapid or secular, quenching could be linked to the halo mass

Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- Mechanisms

What causes quenching in massive galaxies?



Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- Halo mass



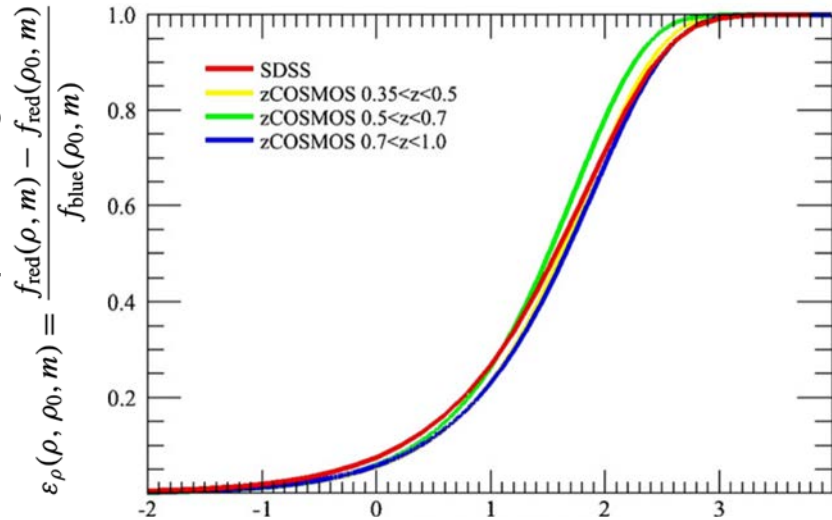
Either cosmological inflows or cooling from halo are stopped, galaxy gas reservoir is now no longer replenished

Galaxy leaves main sequence

Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- Environment

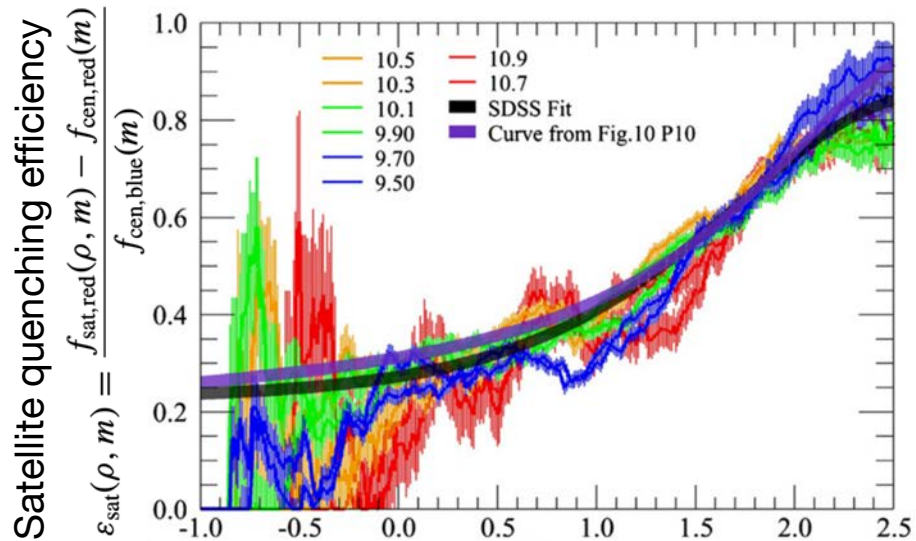
Differential effects of environment on the fraction of galaxies that are actively forming stars compared with those that are passive

Environmental quenching efficiency



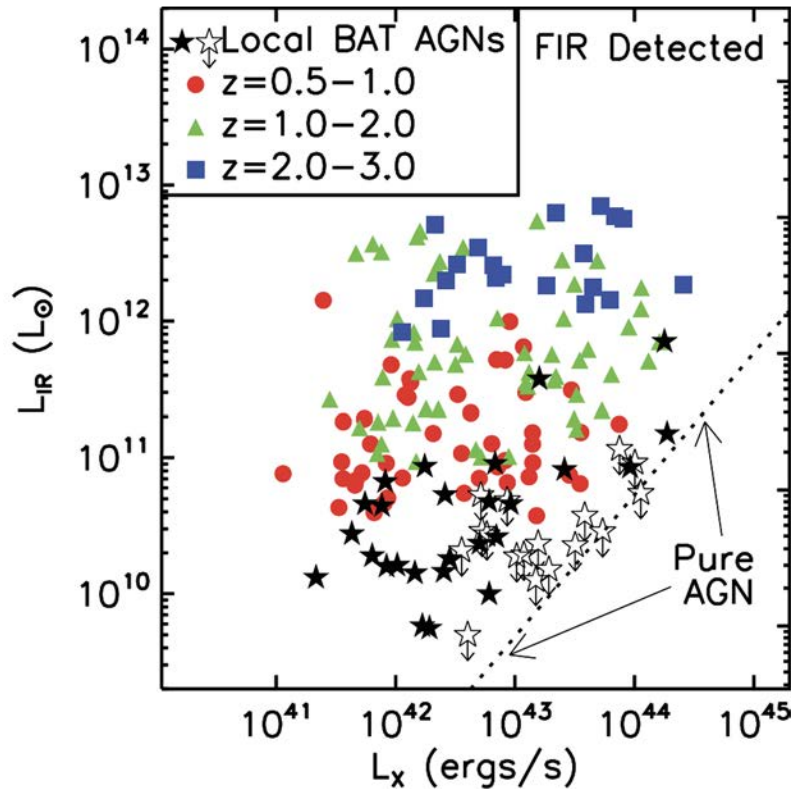
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Environmental effects important in satellite galaxies



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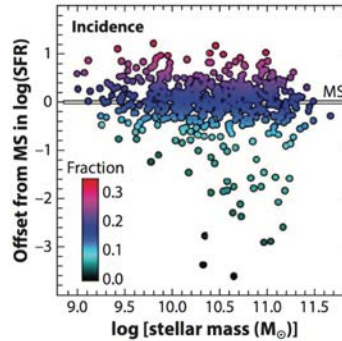
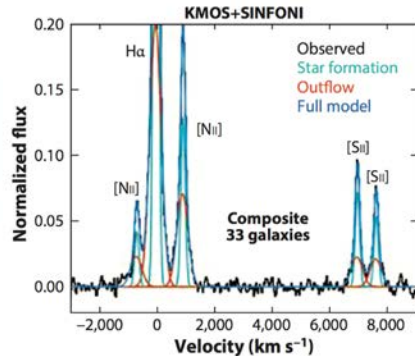
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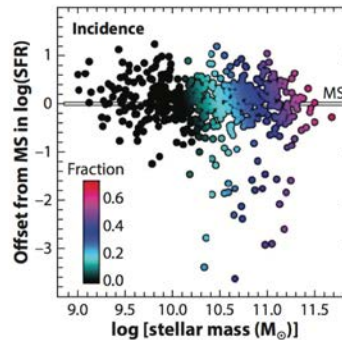
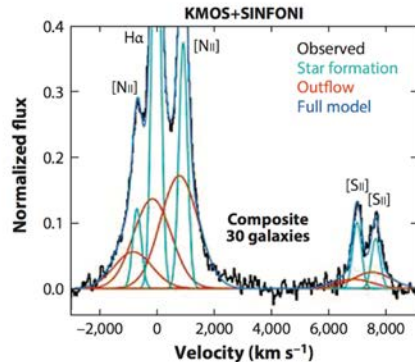
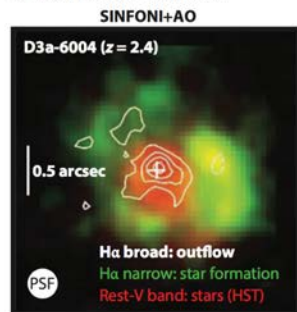
- No apparent link between X-ray and IR luminosities suggests that global star formation is decoupled from nuclear activity (although contradictory literature results)
 - AGN-host co-evolution

Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- Outflows

a Star-formation-driven outflows

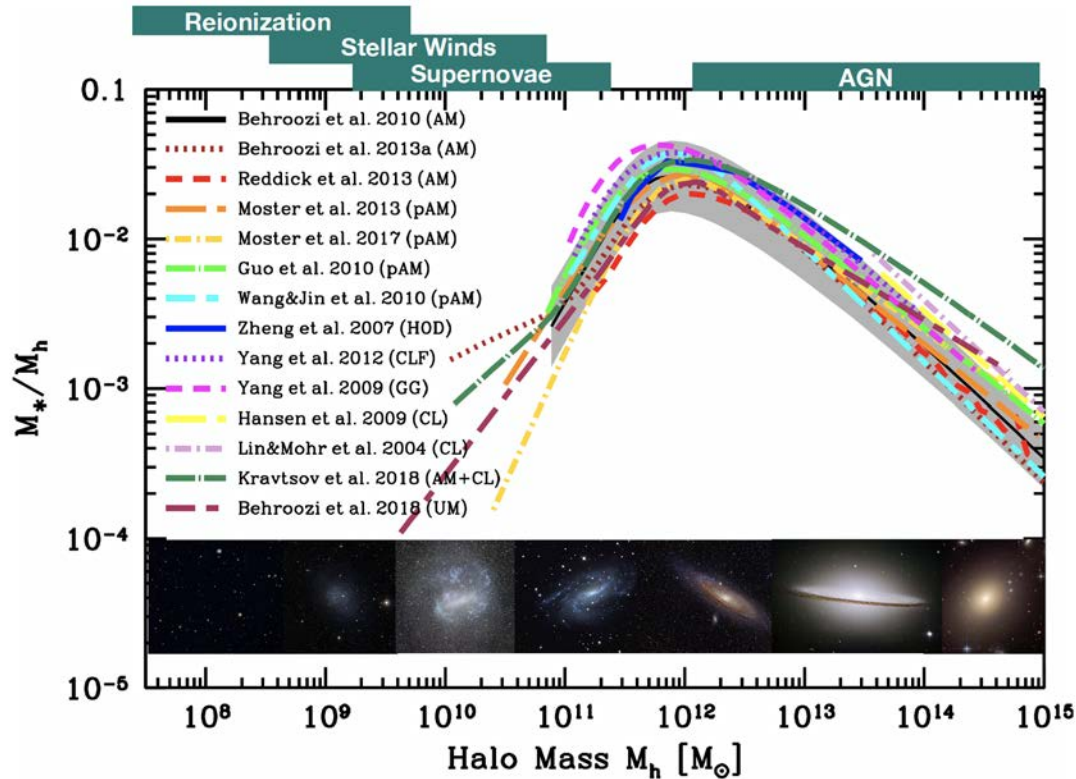


b AGN-driven outflows



- SF-driven outflows correlate with star formation properties (MS offset)
- AGN-driven outflows depend strongly on stellar mass independently of the level of star formation
- Role of feedback in keeping the halo hot, preventing further gas accretion and/or cooling (?)

Part IV : The quenching of star formation -- AGN and stellar feedback



- Overall low efficiency in converting baryons into stars
- Efficiency peaks around MW-like galaxies
- Even lower efficiency at the high-mass end (AGN feedback) and low-mass end (stellar feedback)

Observational inventory of the ISM of galaxies at the cosmic noon

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Part I : A strongly evolving **cosmic star formation** history

- Dust attenuation affects galaxies even at the highest redshifts, in **massive** galaxies
- **Global but incomplete census** of the global star-formation history: massive galaxies

Key dimension : galaxy mass

Part II : **main sequence of star-forming galaxies** = universal scaling law, **secular evolution**

- Most stars formed / universal star formation efficiency, disk-like, **turbulence** increases with z
- **Hubble sequence** already in place at $z \sim 2.5$
- **Minor role of merger**-driven starbursts / self-regulation of star-formation

Key dimension : the gas content controls cosmic star-formation

Part III : The **gas properties** of galaxies

- Gas in normal MS SF galaxies **analog to local starbursts**: temperature, density, turbulence
- **Duty cycle** = 600 Myr only...

Key dimension : intergalactic gas infall

Part IV : The **quenching** of star formation

- high- z galaxies exhibit **more compact SF**, progenitors of **compact ellipticals** identified
- Outflows ubiquitous but don't quench, quenching by **starvation / gravitational heating**

Key dimension: dark matter halo mass / environment

FUTURE

Observations:

ALMA → gas properties of high- z galaxies, census on distant massive galaxies, origin of compactness

JWST → high- z obscured galaxies, formation of optically-dark massive galaxies, first galaxies

SKA → HI contribution → key role of circumgalactic gas

Euclid → connexion with structure formation (proto-clusters) and DM halo mass

Simulations :

How to reconcile strong feedback needed / models with high gas content?

Need to simulate galaxies with their circumgalactic HI

If AGNs do not quench star-formation → what is the main cause of starvation?

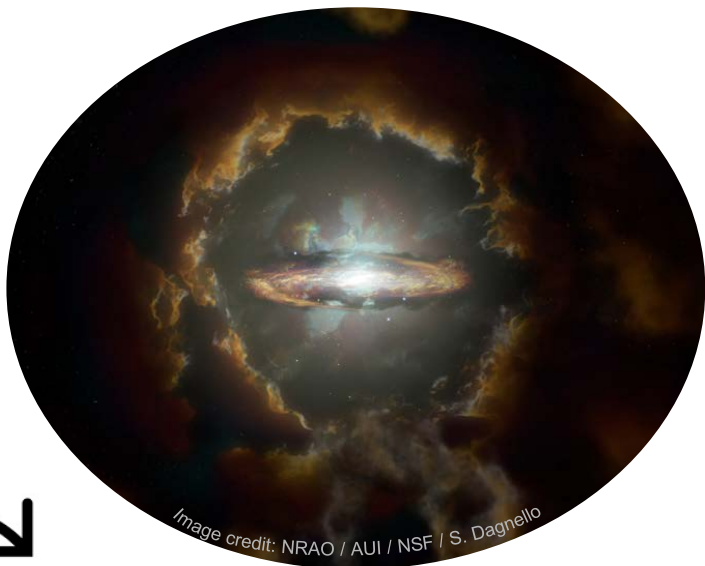


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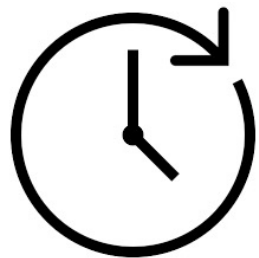
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