

Observations of Star Forming Galaxies in the Heart of the Reionization Era

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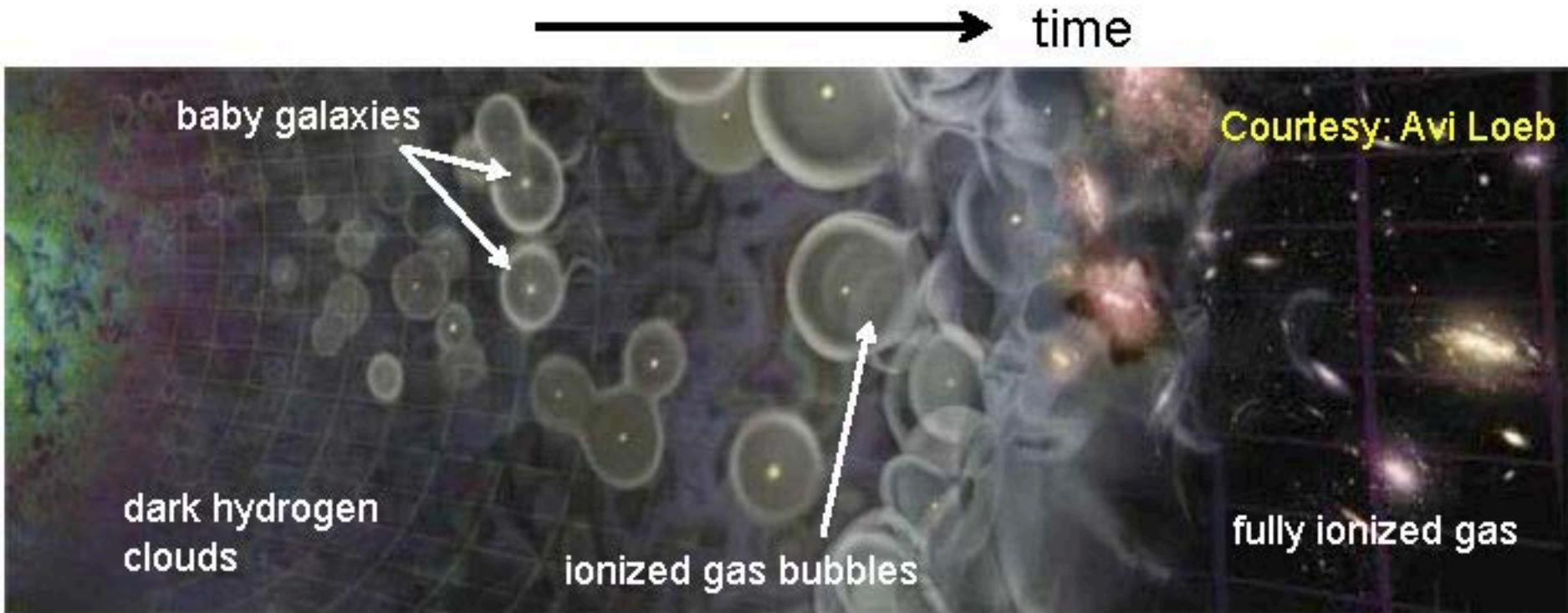
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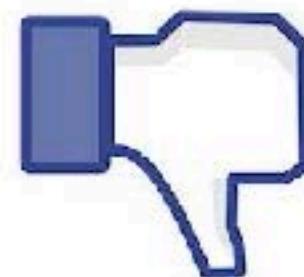
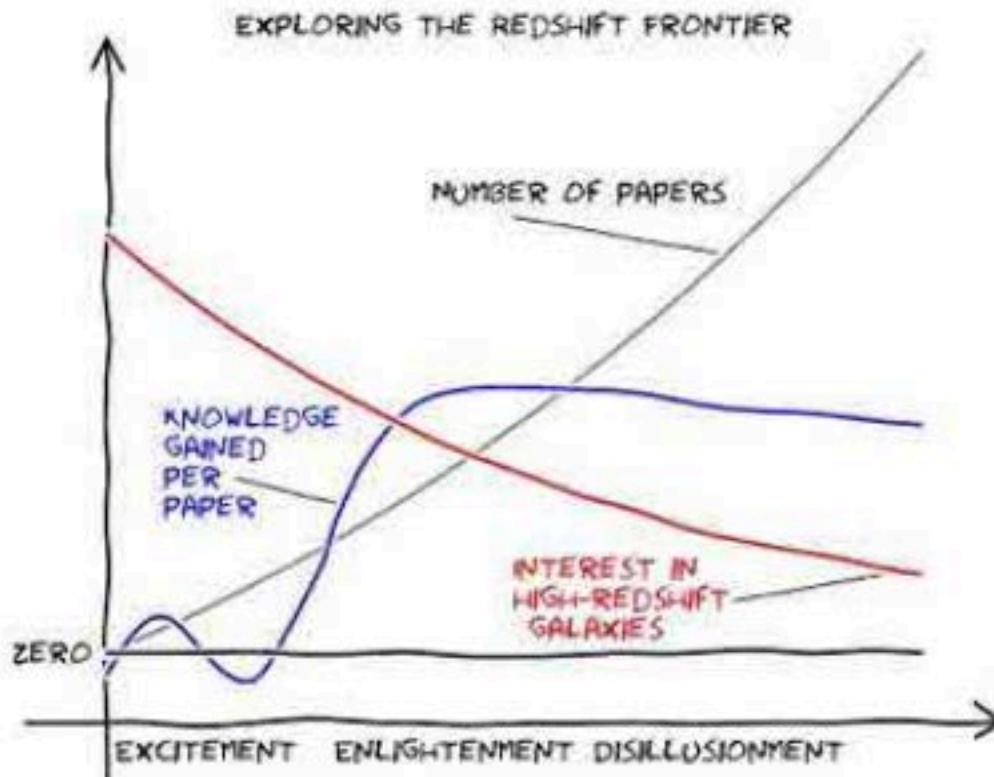
Cosmic Dawn and Reionization



When the first galaxies emerged (**cosmic dawn**), the Universe was bathed in ultraviolet light from young stars which produced ionized spheres of electrons and protons inbetween the galaxies (**reionization**).

This landmark probably occurred 200-800 million years after the Big Bang when the Universe was <5% of its present age (redshifts $z \sim 6-20$).

Cosmic Reionization: the latest frontier

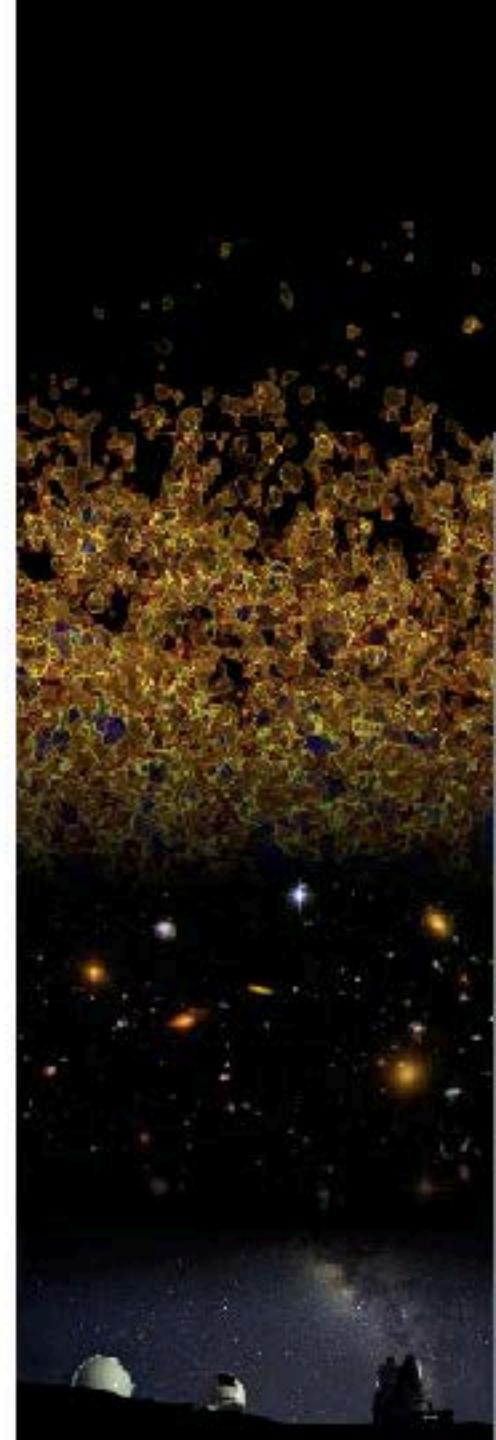


- Cosmic reionization is one of the very few remaining unobserved periods of cosmic history
- Promises insight into the first generation of stars/galaxies, development of black holes, feedback processes governing fate of low mass halos and dwarf galaxies
- Significant investment being made to make relevant observations (ALMA, JWST, E-ELT/TMT, SKA...); any insight we can gain now will be highly valuable

The Big Questions

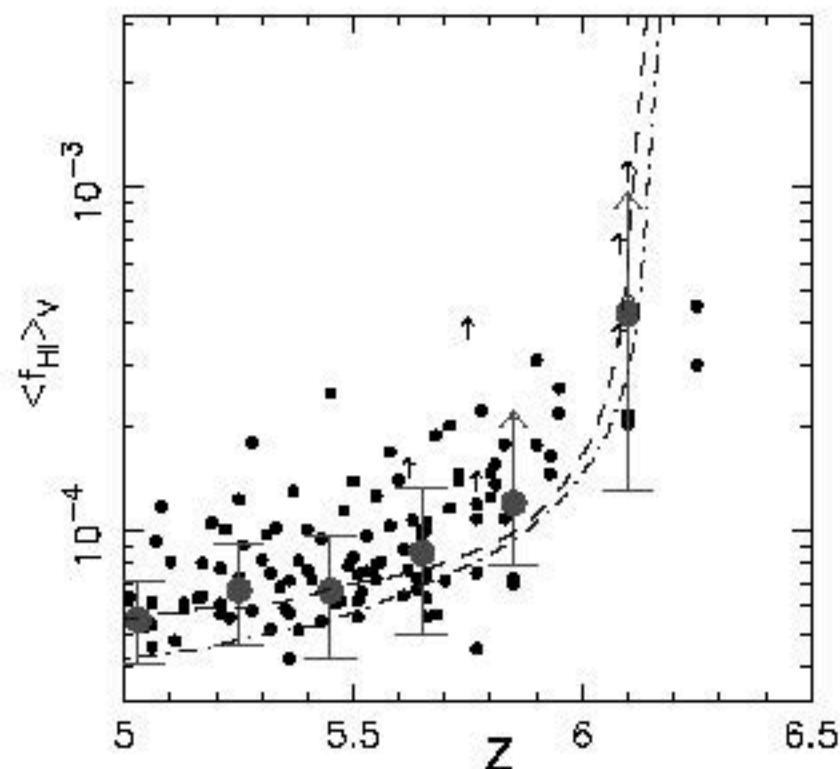
- When did reionization occur?
Constraints from the microwave background; results from Keck spectroscopy and other probes
- Were star forming galaxies responsible? Need to study galaxies in the reionization era
 - Abundance of star-forming galaxies
 - Nature of their stellar populations
 - Density of assembled stellar mass at lower z
(integral constraint of earlier activity)
- Issues and challenges:
 - Nebular contamination of broad-band photometry
 - Escape fraction of ionizing photons
 - Future opportunities

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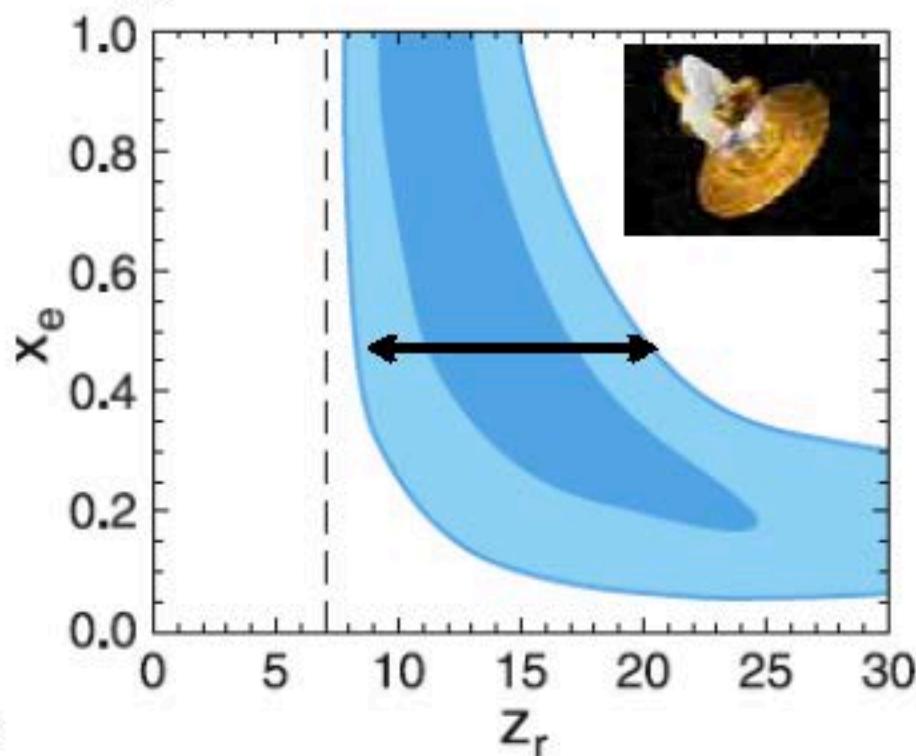


When Did Reionization Occur?

Gunn-Peterson trough in $z > 6$
QSOs, Fan et al (2006):
insensitive: only small amount
of HI required ($X_{\text{HI}} \sim 10^{-3}$)



WMAP+eCMB, Hinshaw et al (2012):
 $\tau = 0.084 \pm 0.013$ consistent with
instantaneous reionization $z = 10.3 \pm 1.1$



Data rejects instantaneous reionization at $z \sim 6-7$; most likely gradual
over $6 < z < 20$? Await results from Planck

NB: CMB polarization will not pinpoint sources of reionization

Keck Spectroscopy of Faint $3 < z < 8$ LBGs



Motivation: improved understanding of high z SF galaxies

- verify photometrically-derived properties (redshifts, masses, SFRs)
- **visibility of Lyman α emission as probe of neutral gas in IGM**
- **investigate nebular emission as contaminant in bb photometry**
- **investigate demographic changes in SF population**

Targets: $m_{AB} < 27.5$ 5-12hr exposures in GOODS & CANDELS-UDS fields

DEIMOS multi-slit $3 < z < 6$ - B,V,i drops

LRIS-R multi-slit $6 < z < 7$ - i, z' drops

NIRSPEC long-slit $z > 7$ - z', Y drops (now MOSFIRE)

Target catalog:

Spectroscopy $3 < z < 5$

Spectroscopy $z \sim 6$

Spectroscopy $z \sim 7$

Stacked $z \sim 4-5$ spectra

Nebular emission

Nebular emission

Stark et al (2009) Ap J 697, 1493

Stark et al (2010) MNRAS 408, 1628

Stark, Ellis & Ouchi (2011) Ap J 728, L2

Schenker et al (2012) Ap J 744, 179

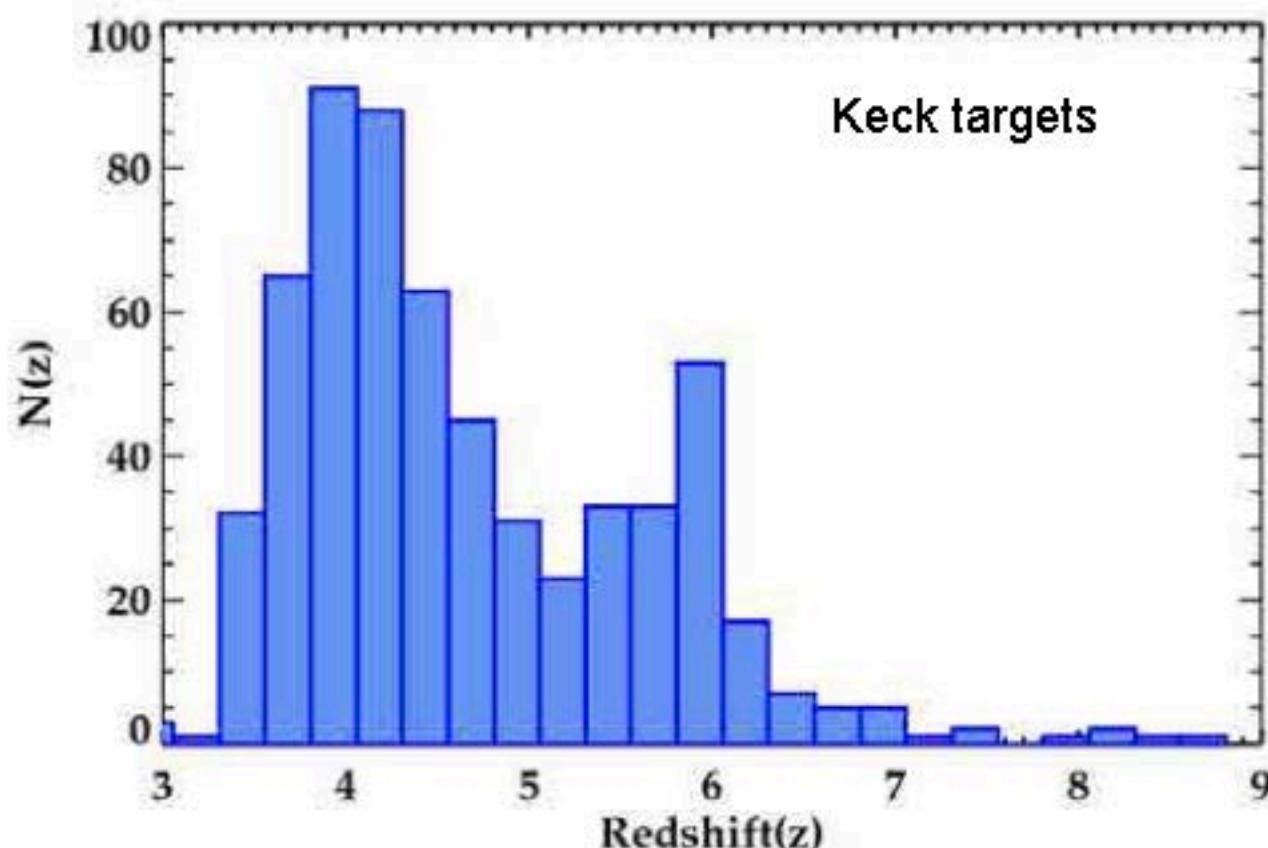
Jones et al (2012) Ap J 751, 51

Stark et al (2013) Ap J 763, 129

Schenker et al (2013) Ap J 777, 67

Keck Spectroscopic Survey of $3 < z < 8$ LBGs

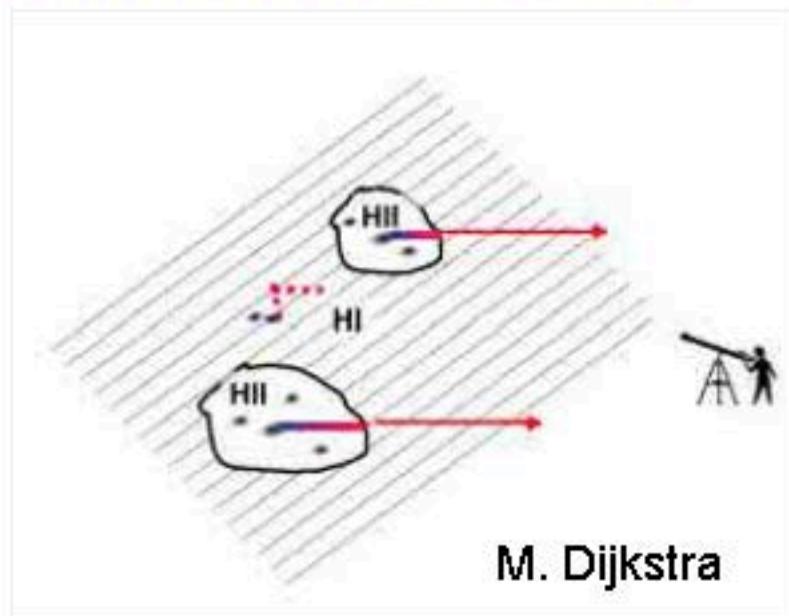
- Utilize Stark et al (2009) ACS/IRAC GOODS-N/S photometric catalog:
2443 B-drops, 506 V-drops, 137 i-drops = 3086 sources
- Keck: 351 B + 151 V + 89 i + 21 z + 5 Y drops = 617 spectra
- VLT/FORS2 retro-selected + same criteria: 195 spectra (Vanzella et al)



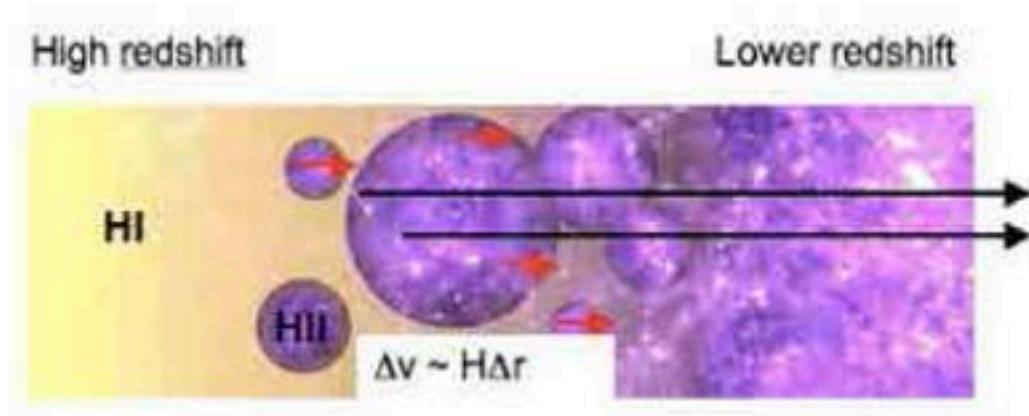
$\text{Ly}\alpha$ Emission as a Probe of Reionization

Up to 6-7% of young galaxy light could emerge in $\text{Ly}\alpha$: prominent in early systems

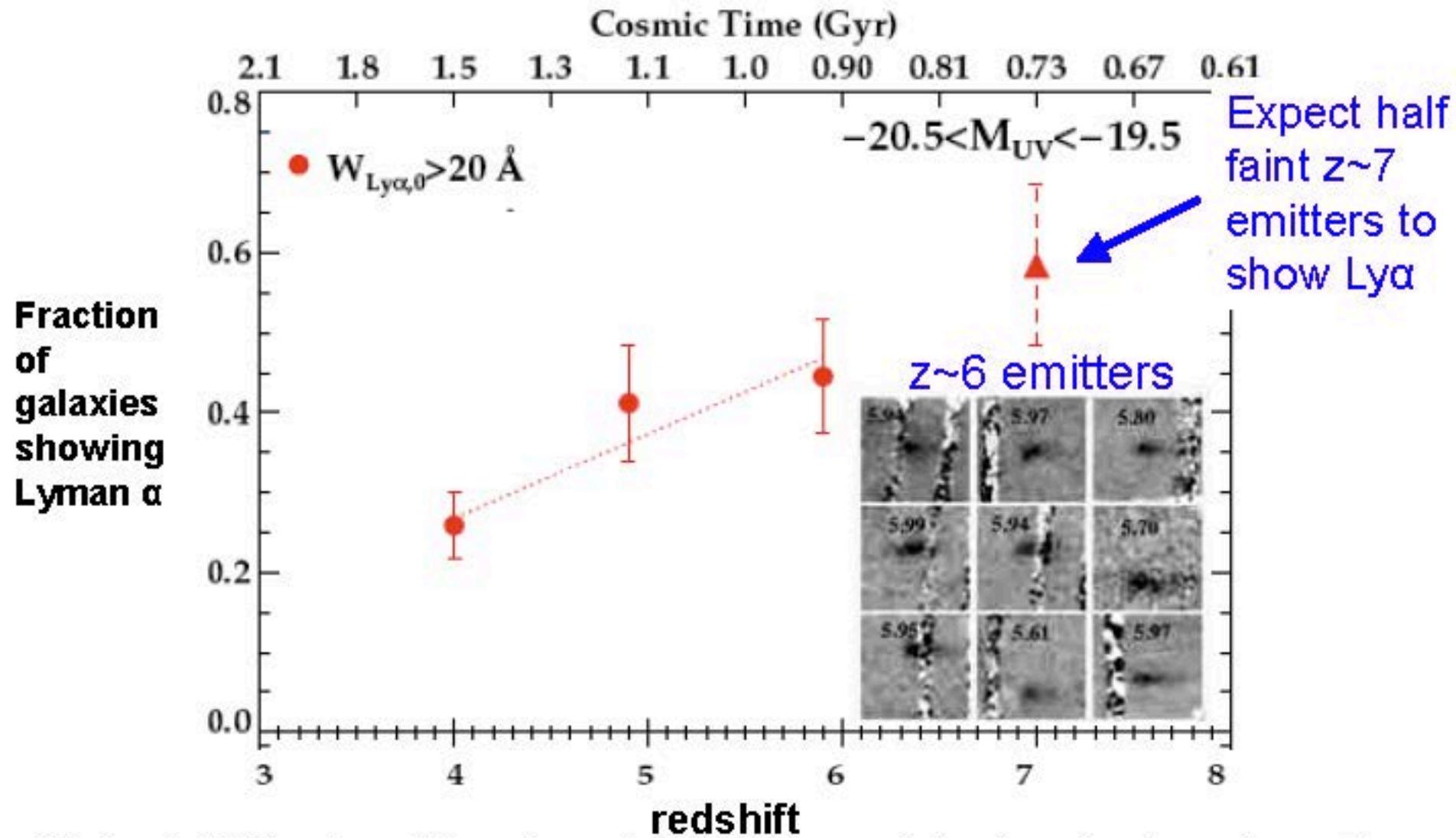
- But resonant scattering by neutral gas reduces visibility of $\text{Ly}\alpha$
- So, in a significantly neutral IGM, galaxy must lie in an ionized bubble in order for $\text{Ly}\alpha$ to escape
- Expect a sudden drop in the fraction of galaxies revealing line emission as we enter the neutral era
- **Caveats: dust, outflows etc**



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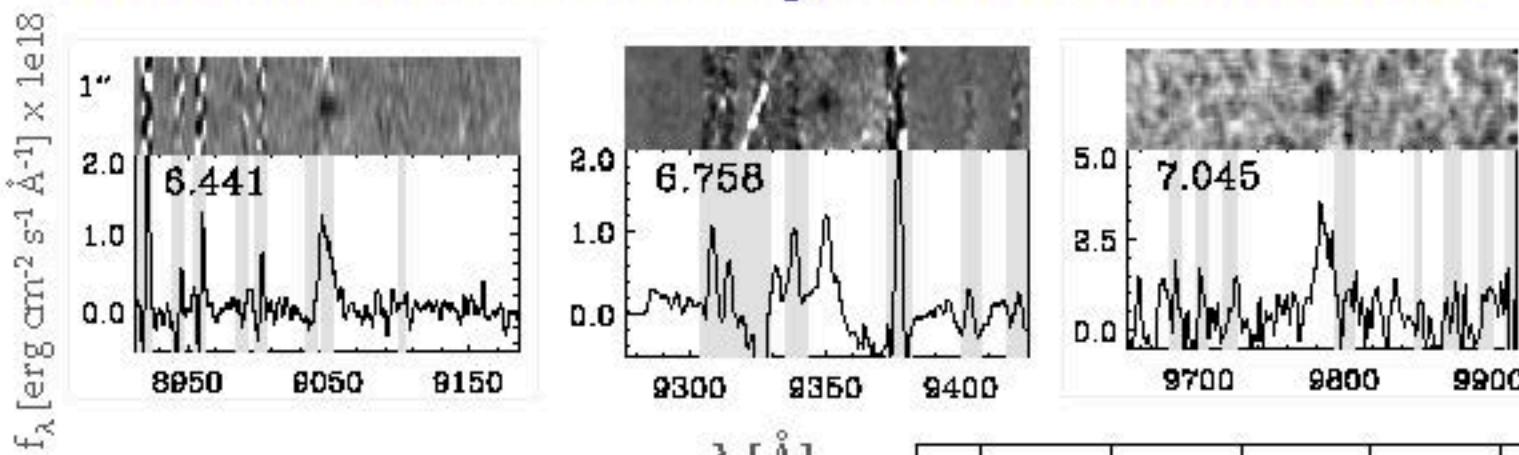


'Lyman α Visibility' versus Redshift

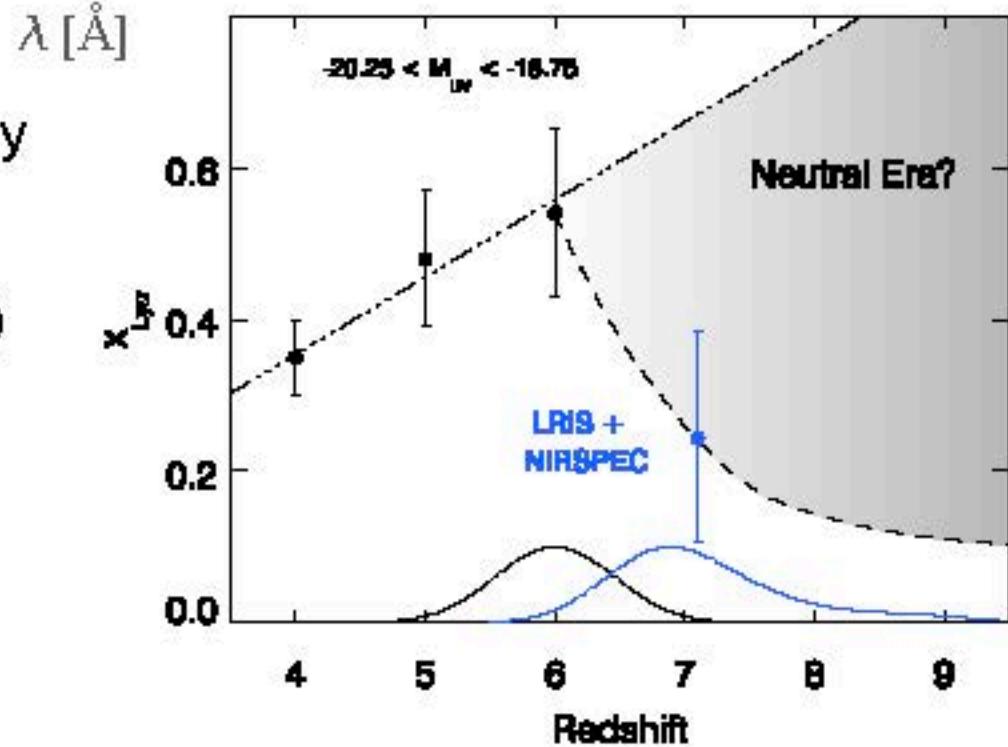


High visibility at $z \sim 6$ implies should readily detect emission at $z > 7$

Sudden Decline in Ly α Fraction $z > 6.3$?

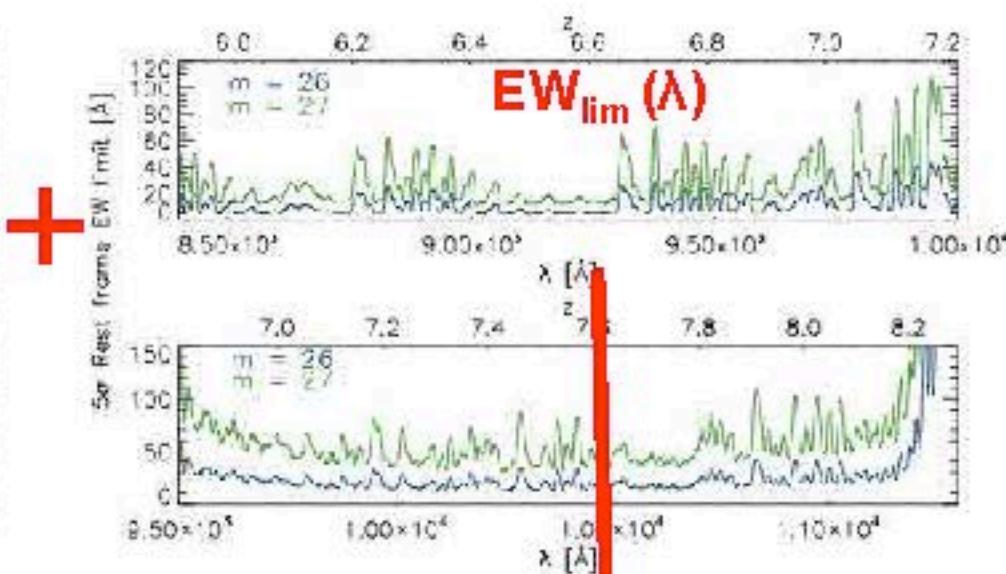
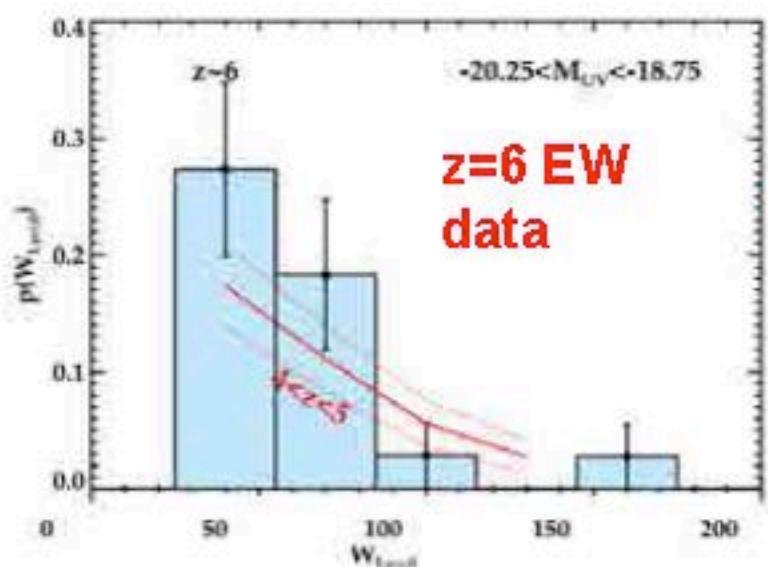


- 24 galaxies with $6.3 < z < 8$ surveyed, Ly α detected in only 3 sources to same EW limit
- Implies decline in fraction (although still marginal result)
- Adopting McQuinn et al. (2007) $\rightarrow X_{\text{HI}} \sim 0.44$ at $z \sim 7$
- Explanations other than a neutral IGM (contamination from low z , dust) unlikely



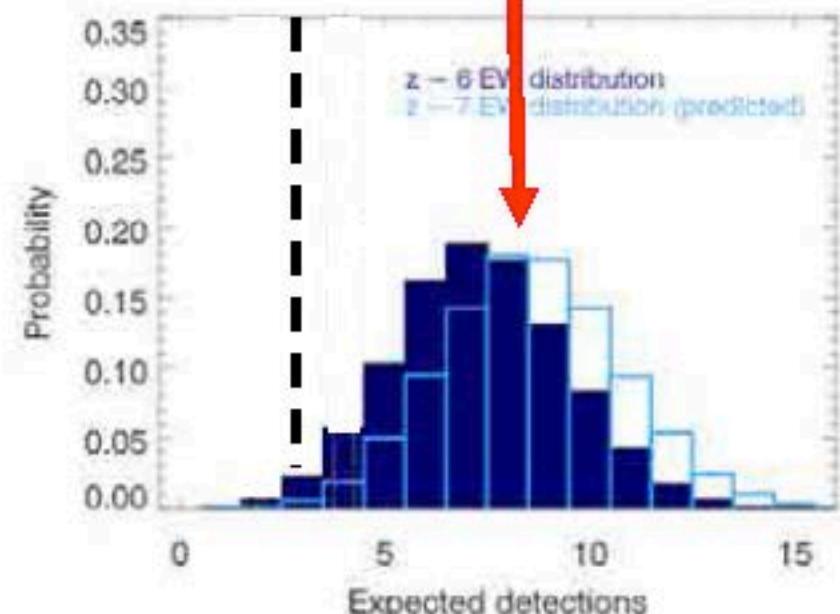
Schenker et al (2012) see also Pentericci et al (2011), Ono et al (2012)

Assessment with Monte Carlo Simulations



Since we cannot conduct a perfectly uniform search for line emission in the near-IR, we take the expected EW distribution of Ly α at $z \sim 6$ and predict, given the observations, OH sky and photometric $p(z)$ of our targets how many lines we should have seen.

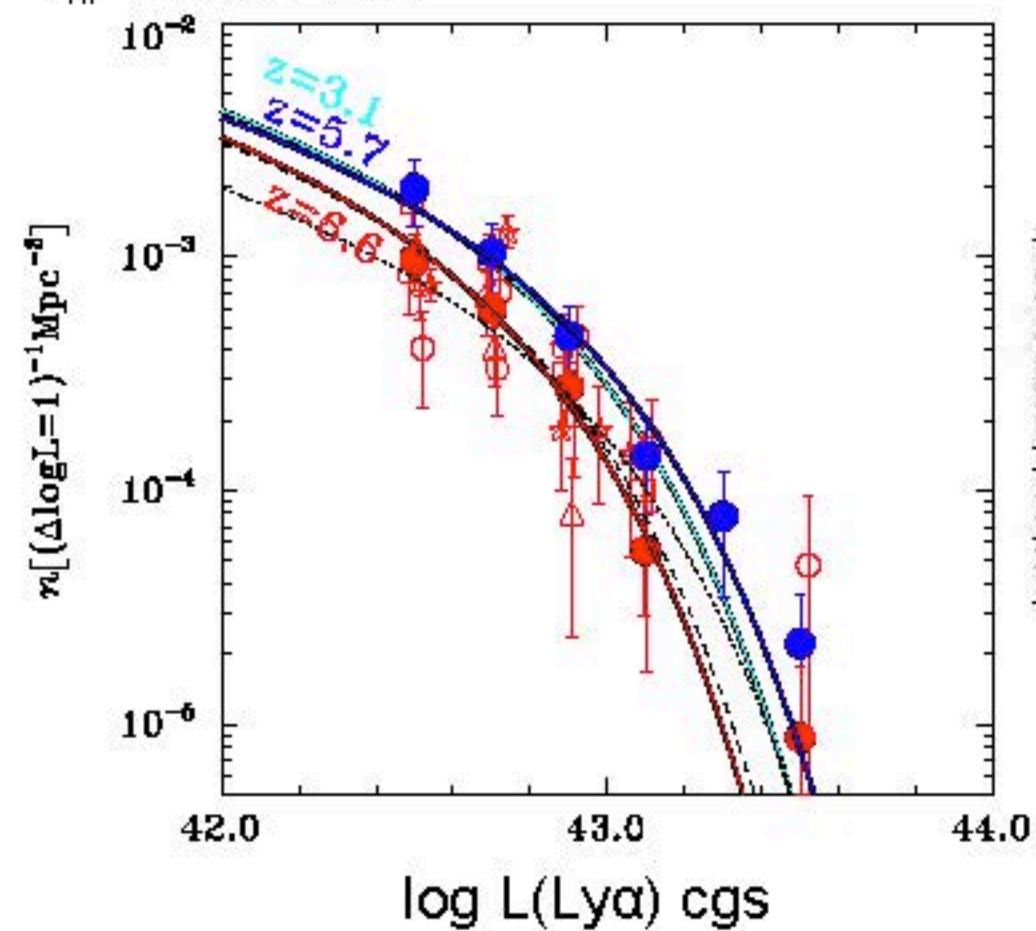
Observe 3 (8) and expect 8-9 (24) detections [reject at >99.5%]



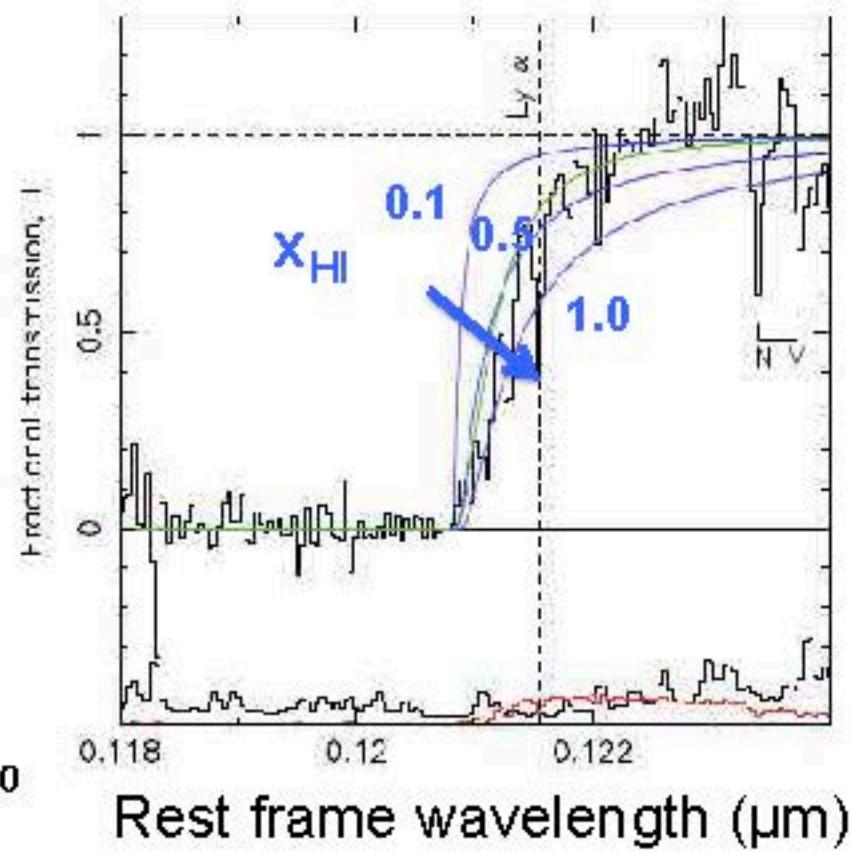
Further Evidence for Late Reionization

Rapid decline in Ly α emitters from $5.7 < z < 6.6$ (Kashikawa et al 2006, Ouchi et al 2010, Kashikawa et al 2011)

$x_{\text{HI}} \sim 0.1$ at $z=6.6$?



Damping wing of Ly α in $z=7.085$ QSO:
Sharper decline c.f. lower z QSOs
 $x_{\text{HI}} > 0.1$ at $z \sim 7$?
(Mortlock+ 2011, Bolton+ 2011)



Is this rapid decline in $x(\text{Ly}\alpha)$ due to the IGM?

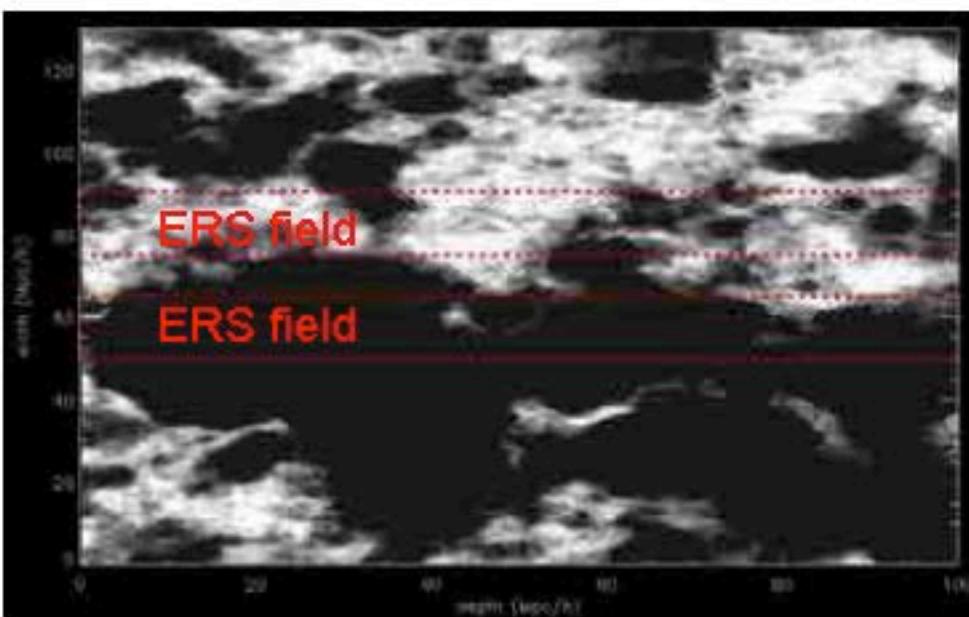
According to some models, data imply $x(\text{HI}) \sim 0.5$ by $z \sim 7$ (change in 200 Myr)

Some caveats:

- Cosmic variance: do not expect uniform $X(\text{Ly}\alpha, z)$ over all fields
- Inferred $x(\text{HI})$ depends on velocity offset of emerging Ly α which may decrease at high z

Simulation for $\langle x(\text{HI}) \rangle \sim 0.2$

Velocity offset (Ly α – nebular) km/s



depth (Mpc) ➔

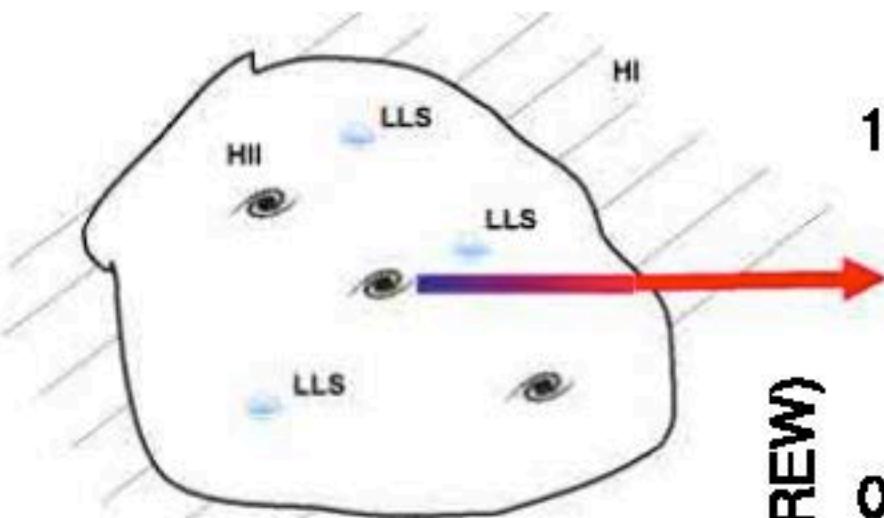
Taylor & Lidz arXiv:1308.6322



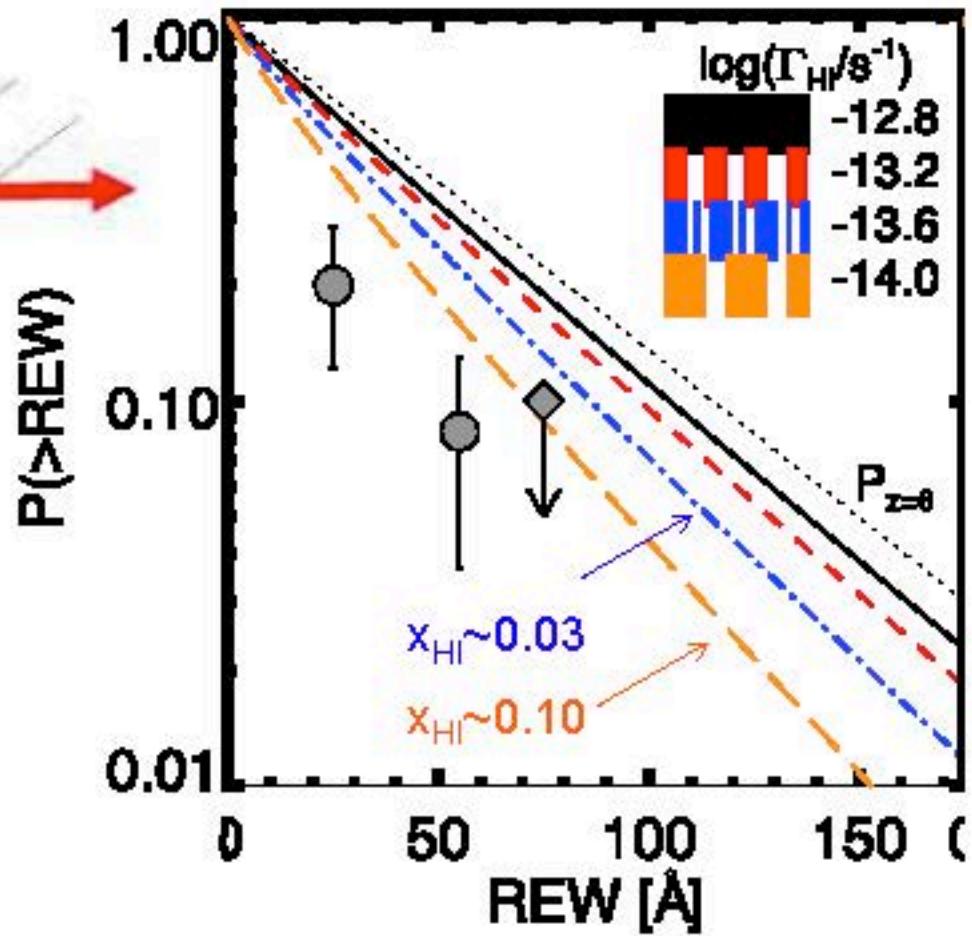
redshift

Schenker et al Ap J 777, 67 (2013)

Effect of Optically-thick Clouds



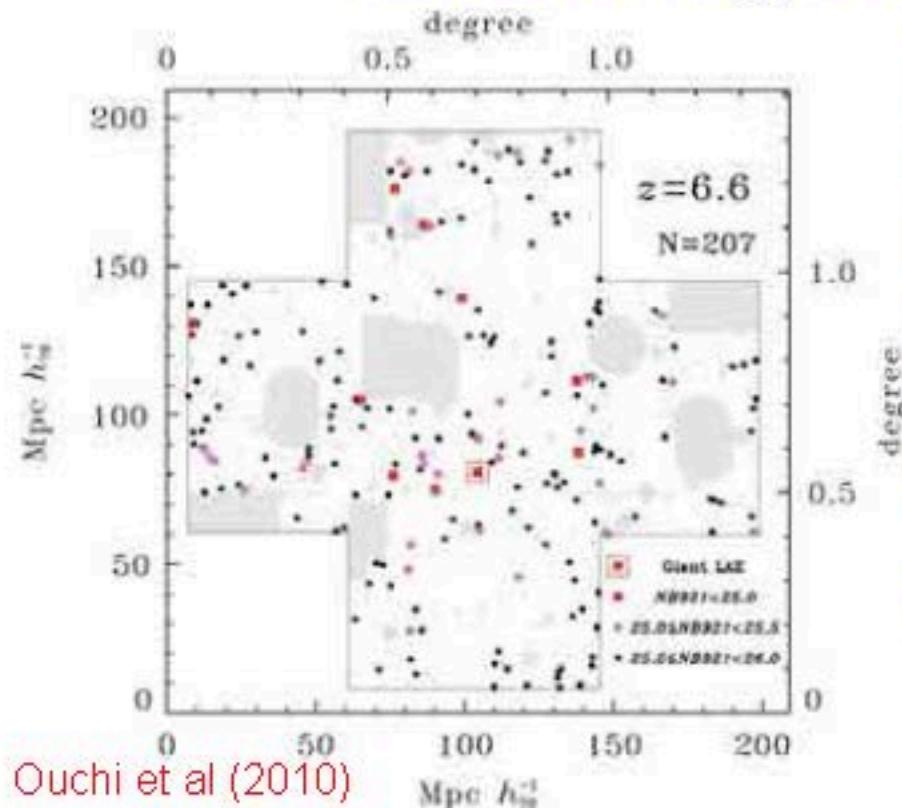
Optically-thick (LLS) clouds may obscure the line of sight and give misleading impression of the volume-averaged opacity of the IGM, reducing x_{HI} from 0.7-0.9 to 0.03-0.10



How to test?

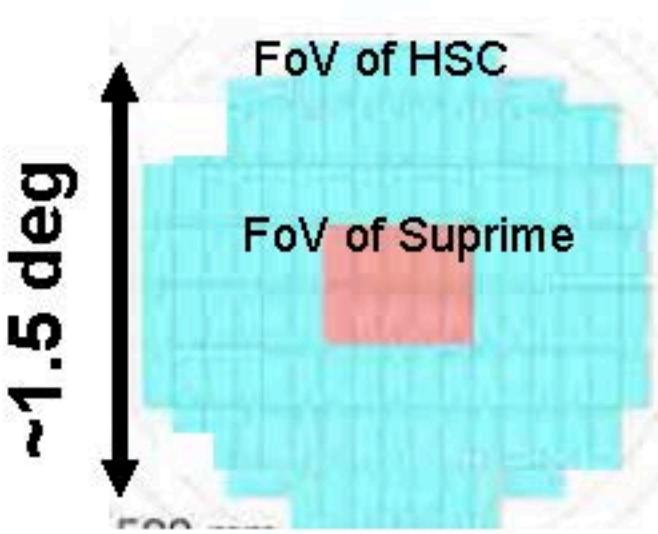
Bolton & Haehnelt MNRAS 429, 1695 (2013)

Clustering of Lyman α Emitters



The spatial distribution of Ly emitters over key redshift ranges 5.7, 6.6 and 7.0 may contain information on the emerging distribution of ionized bubbles ; expect boosting in bias at higher z .

A challenging observation that may be possible with Subaru's HSC

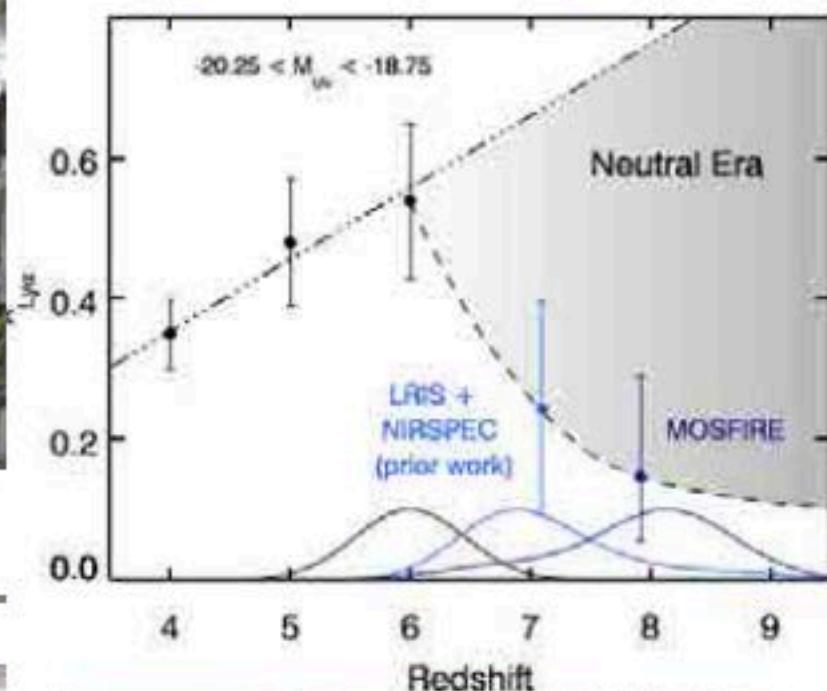


MOSFIRE: Can Confirm Ly α visibility decline

MOSFIRE@K1

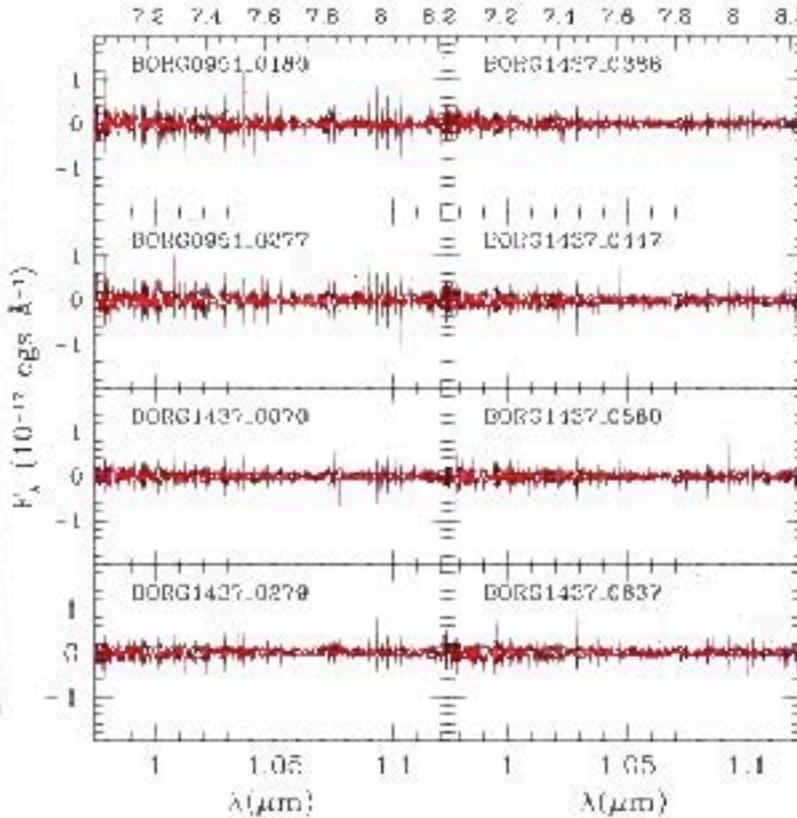
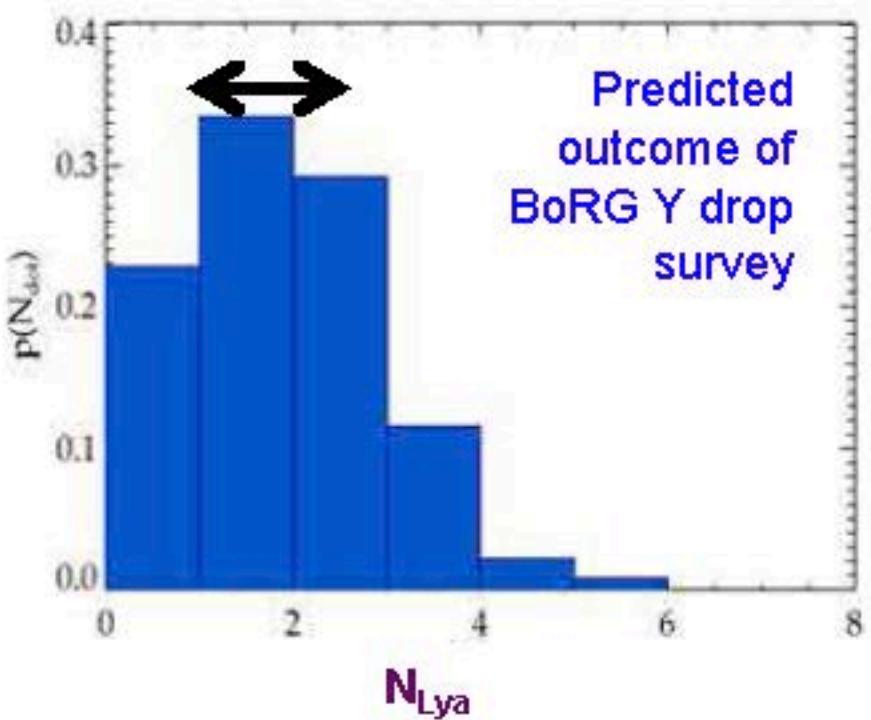


6.1 x 3.1 arcmin field $\lambda\lambda 0.97 - 2.45 \mu\text{m}$
R ~3300 for 45 configurable slits



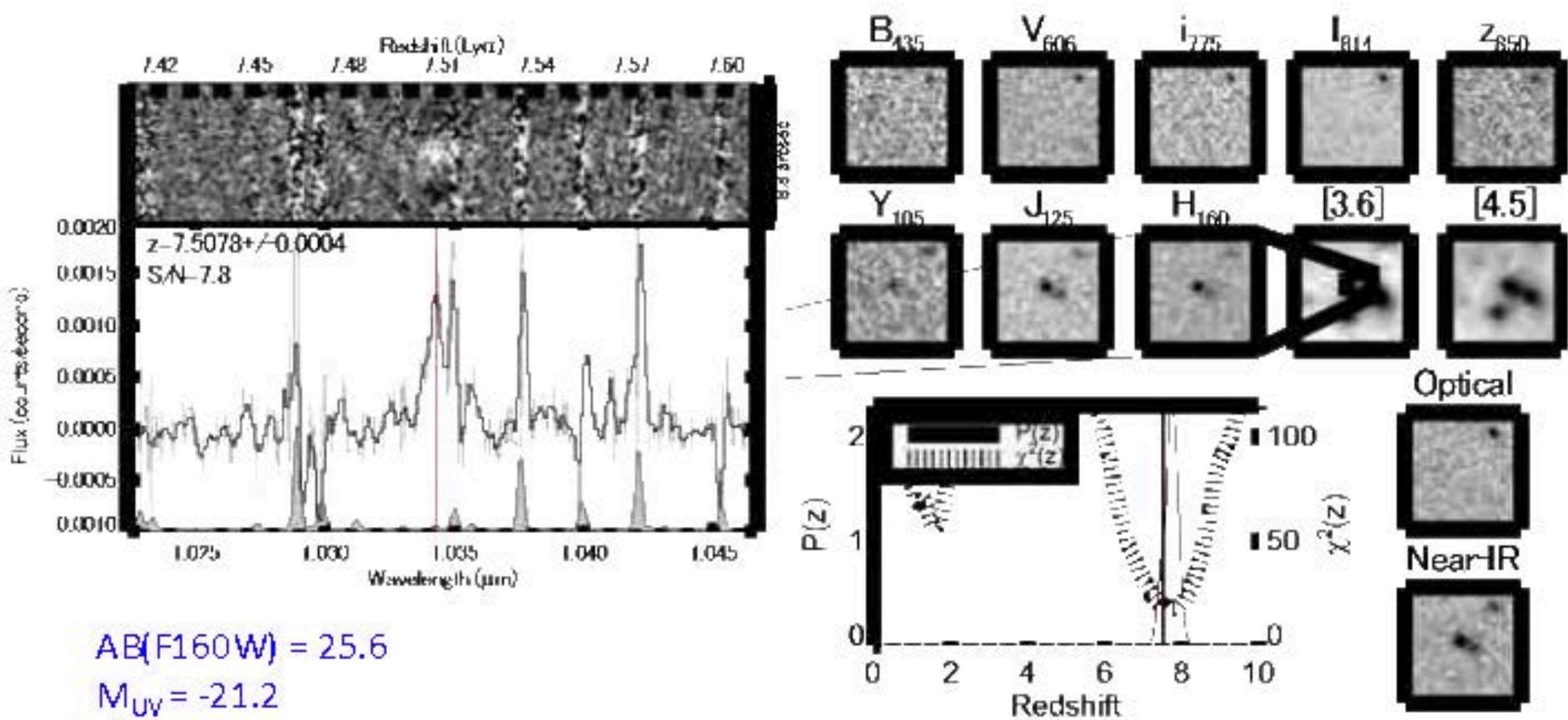
No luck yet...12 cloudy MOSFIRE nights out of 15!

First z~8 Results from MOSFIRE



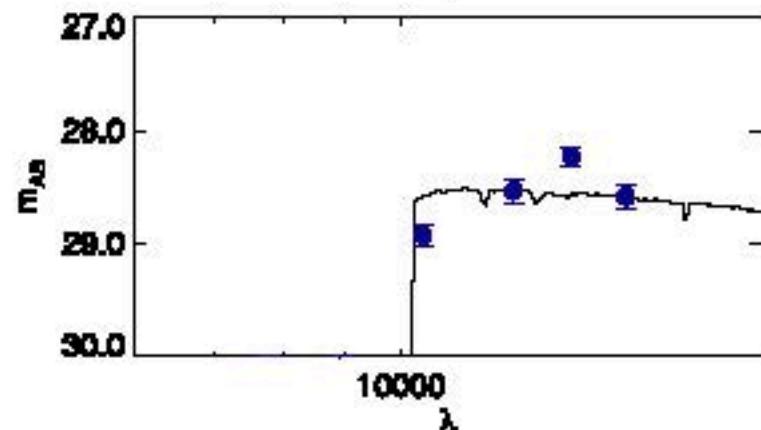
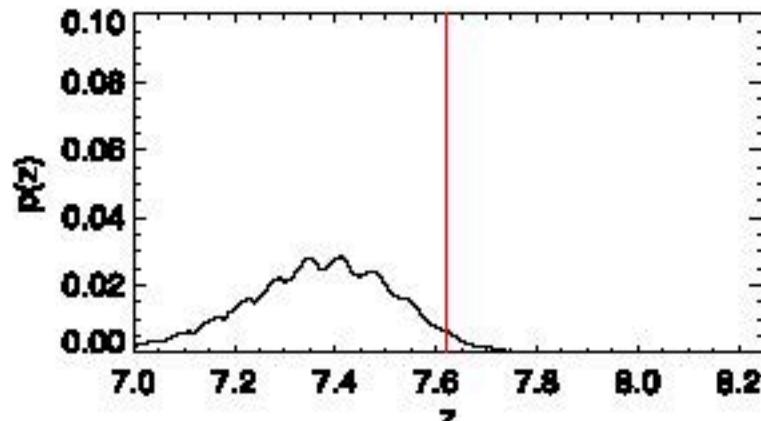
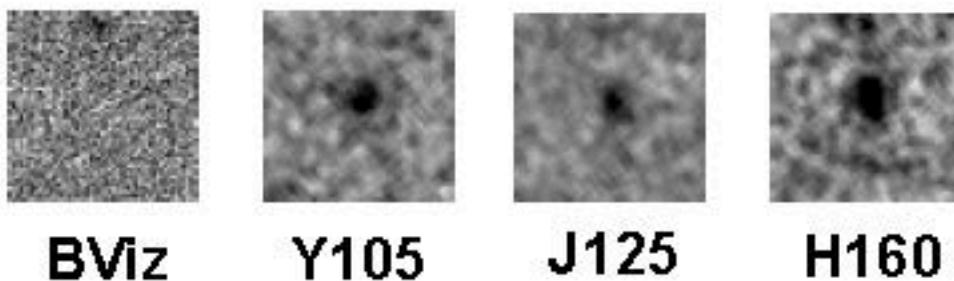
For sample of robust BoRG Y-drops, Ly α is not seen ($\text{EW} < 25 \text{\AA}$ 1σ). However, BoRG targets are quite luminous and Stark et al z~6 EW distribution predicts only < 1-2 should have detectable Ly α . Improved leverage would come from fainter Y-drops which MOSFIRE can reach

Spectroscopic Redshift Record – April 2013: $z=7.51$



Finkelstein et al Nature 502, 524 (2013)

Spectroscopic Redshift Record – Nov 2013: $z=7.62$



$AB(F160W) = 28.6$

$M_{UV} = -18.5$

Photometry $7.1 < z < 7.6$

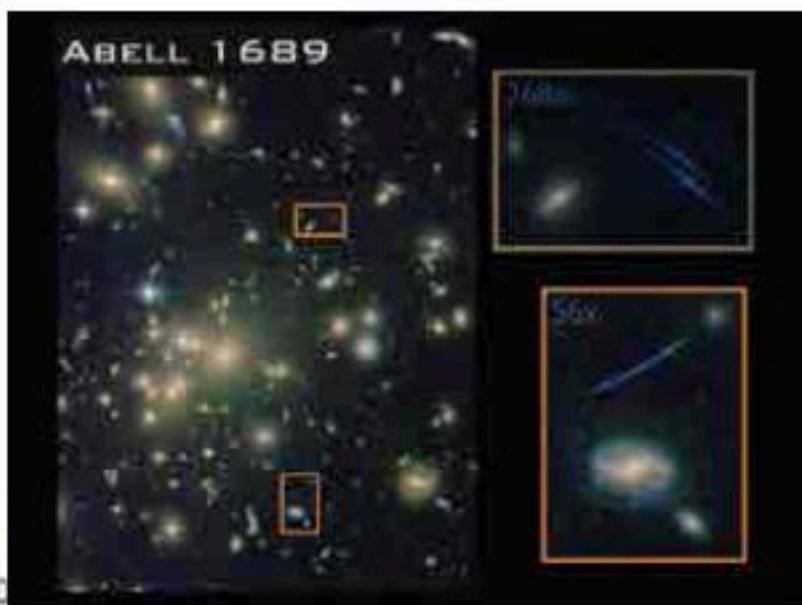
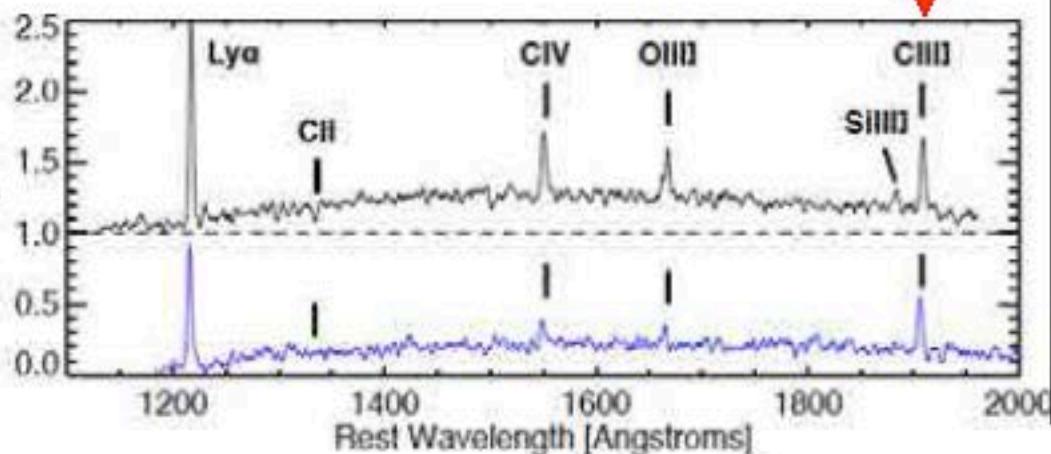
S/N (line) = 4.2

$EW(\text{Ly}\alpha) \sim 110 (\pm 30)$

β (UV) = -2.3

High Redshift Measurements without Ly α ?

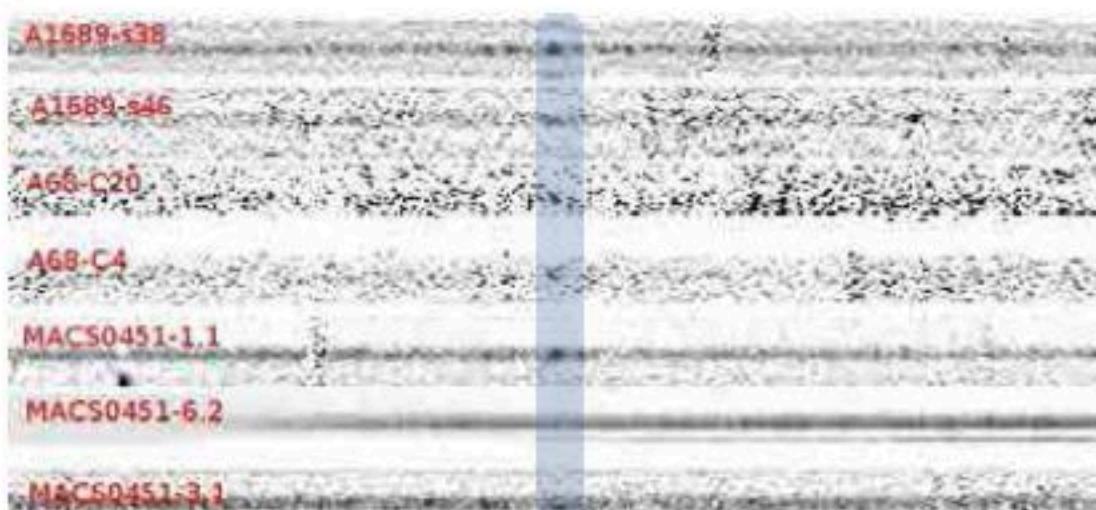
Spectra of $10^{6-9} M_{\odot}$ z~2-3 galaxies lensed by foreground clusters (with properties similar to those at z~7)



CIII] 1909 Å emission common

EW~5-10x that in massive gals
(~10-30 Å)

Reflects larger T_e and harder ionizing
spectrum expected at low (10% solar)
metallicities.



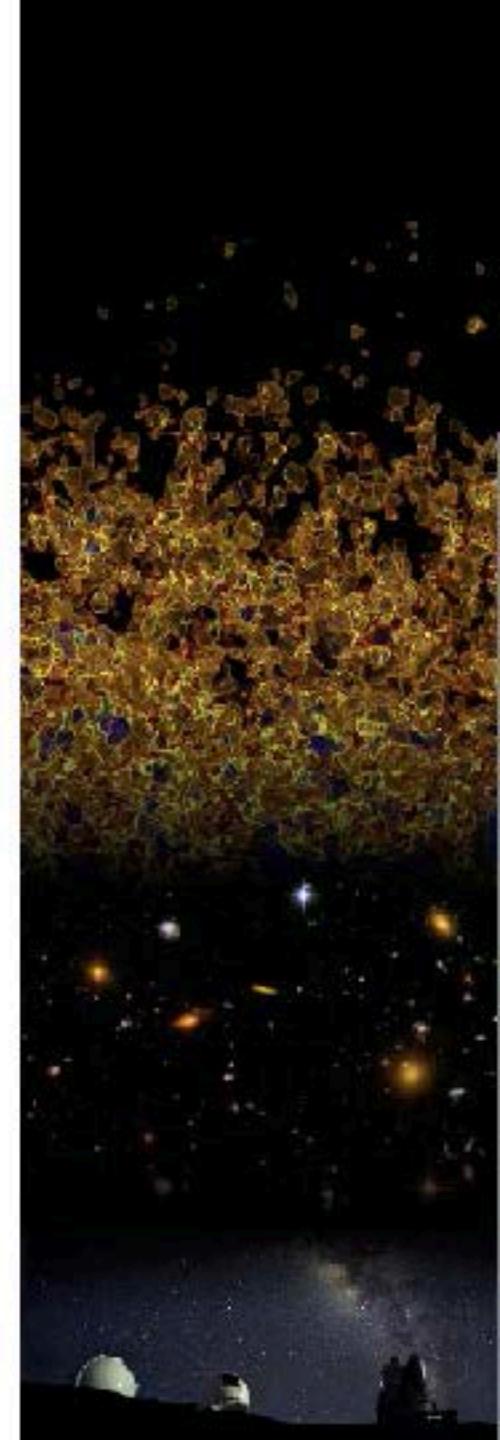
Did Galaxies Reionize Universe?

$$\text{Ionization rate} \quad \dot{n}_{\text{ion}} = f_{\text{esc}} \xi_{\text{ion}} \rho_{\text{UV}}$$

Key observables:

1. Integrated abundance of high z star-forming galaxies especially contribution of low luminosity sources : ρ_{UV}
2. Nature of the stellar populations in distant galaxies which determines the rate of ionizing photons: ξ_{ion}
3. Fraction of ionizing photons that escape: f_{esc}
4. Stellar mass density at later times ($z \sim 4-5$): ρ_{\star}
5. Optical depth of electron scattering to CMB: T

Improved data on [1] and [2] provided by new Hubble UDF 2012 campaign with additional constraints on [3, 4] from Keck spectroscopic survey





UDF 2012 Campaign



**WFC3/IR: 850 - 1600nm
2.1 × 2.3 arcmin field of view
0.13 arcsec pixel⁻¹
40 times survey efficiency of NICMOS**

128 orbit Cycle 20 campaign
designed to improve depth and
fidelity of $z > 7$ candidates

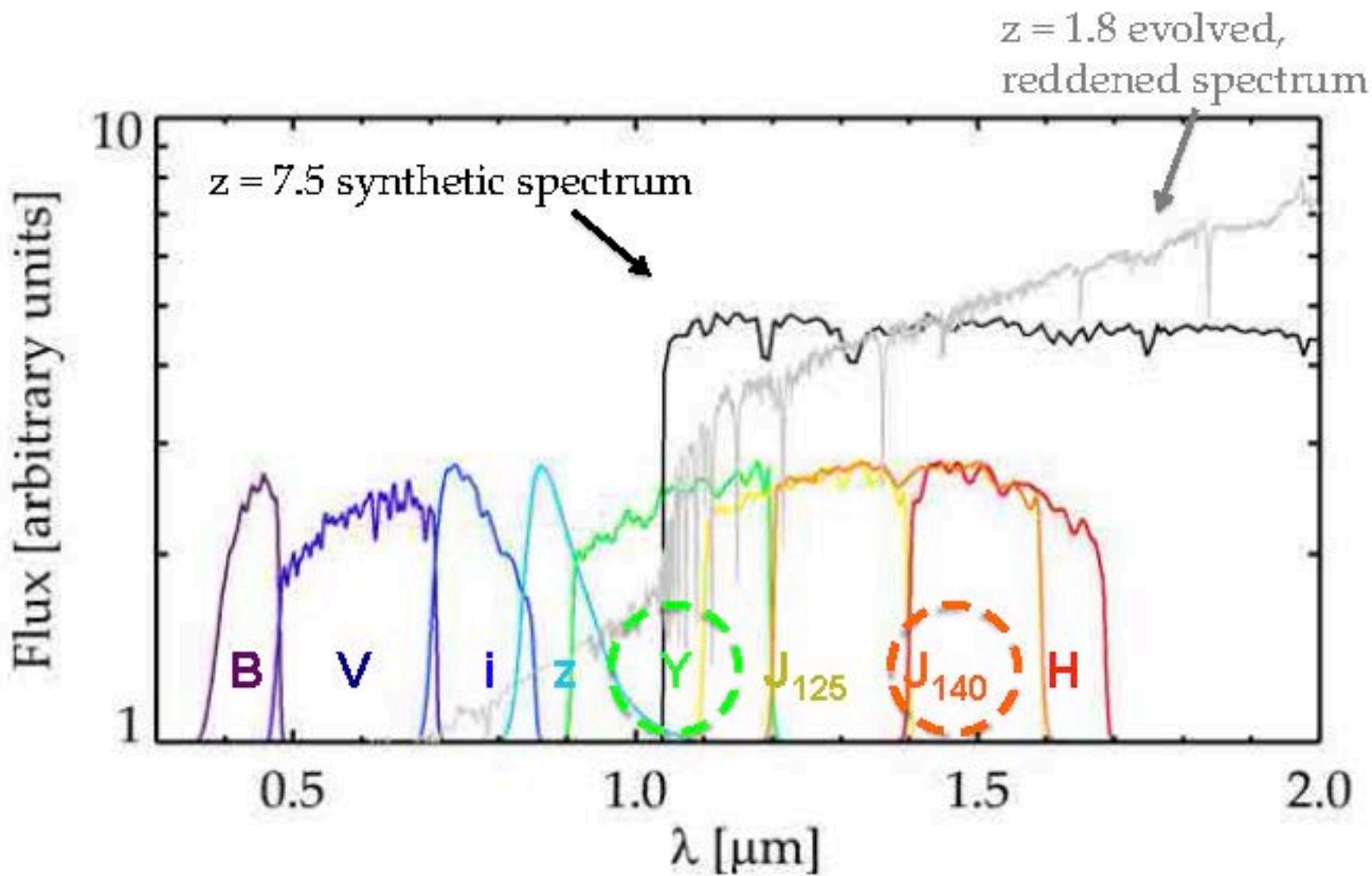
- 1.5x exposure in detection F160W
- 4x exposure in F105W reject
- additional filter F140W

Public versions of final reduced
images incorporating earlier
UDF and new parallel ACS data
<http://udf12.arizona.edu>



- arXIV 1211.6804 Ellis et al: Abundances of SF Galaxies $7 < z < 12$
arXIV 1212.0860 Dunlop et al: UV Continua & Stellar Populations
arXIV 1212.1448 Koekemoer et al: Observational Overview & Dataset
arXIV 1212.3869 Ono et al: Size Evolution $7 < z < 10$
arXIV 1212.4819 Schenker et al: $z \sim 7\text{-}8$ Luminosity Function I
arXIV 1212.5222 McLure et al: $z \sim 7\text{-}8$ Luminosity Function II
arXIV 1301.1228 Robertson et al: Constraints on Reionization

UDF 2012 Filter Deployment



Star Forming Galaxies with $z > 8.5$

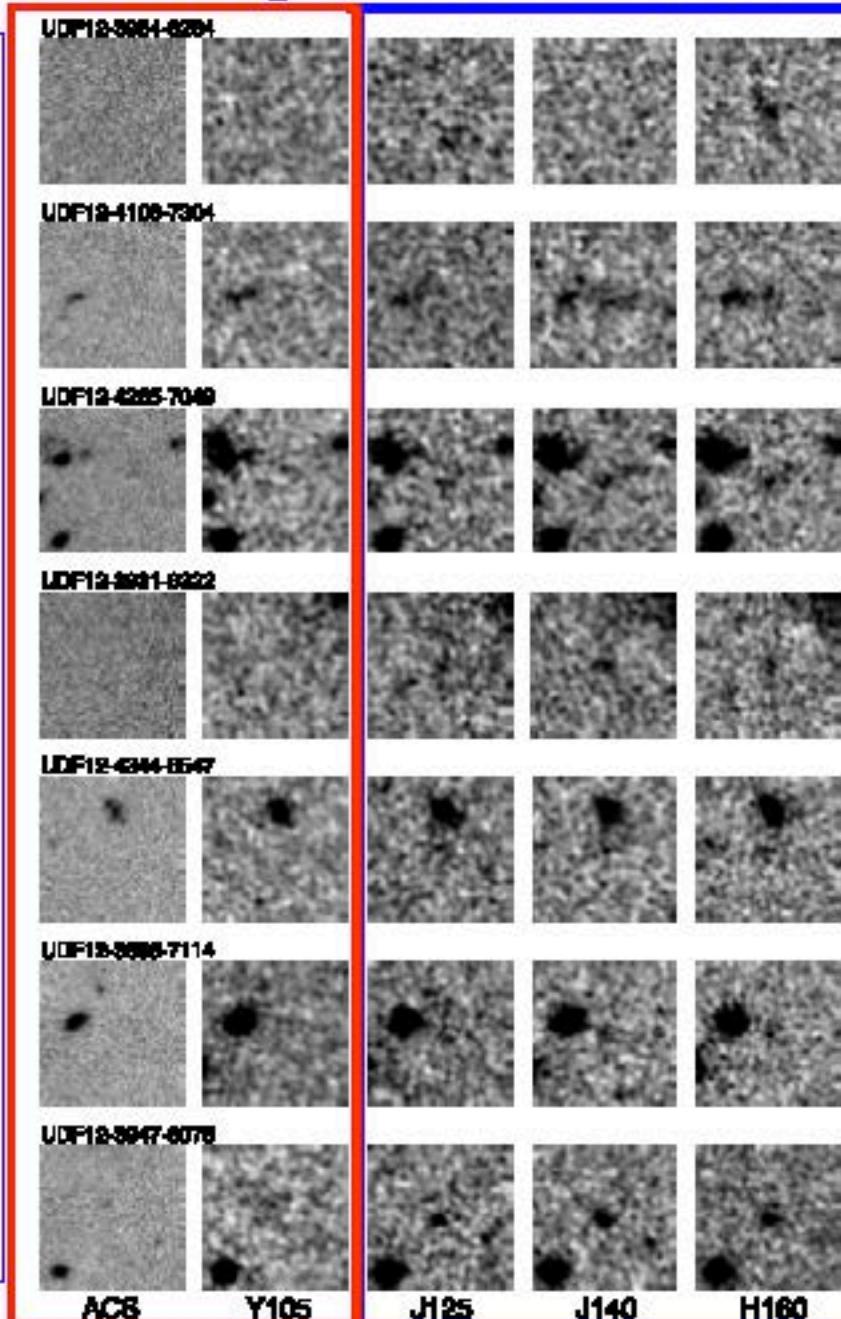
7 star-forming
galaxies located
 $8.5 < z < 12$

5σ detections in
($160W+140W+125W$) stack ($m_{AB} < 30.1$)

2σ rejection in
ultradeep F105W
($m_{AB} > 31.0$)

2σ rejection in ACS
BViz ($m_{AB} > 31.3$)

Ellis et al (2013) ApJ Lett 763, L7



$z=11.9?$ 380 Myr

$z=9.5$ 520 Myr

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$z=8.8$ 570 Myr

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$z=8.6$ 590 Myr

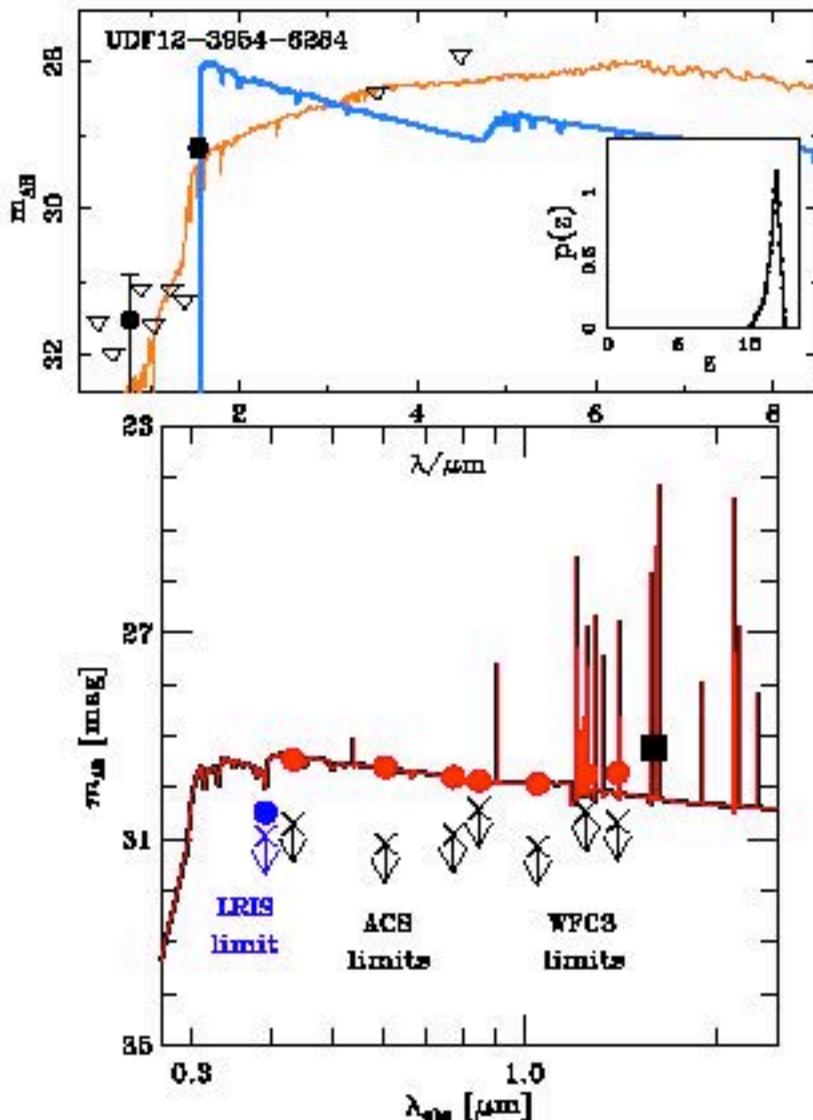
$z=8.6$ 590 Myr

The Enigmatic $z=11.9$ Candidate

The only earlier $z>8.5$ candidate recovered is that claimed at $z=10.3$ by Bouwens et al (2011). It is now a single filter detection in F160W suggesting it could be at $z=11.9$

Y105 J140 H160

- Definitely a real source (7.5σ)
- Could be [O III] emitter at $z=2.4$. To explain non-detections in other bands would require an $\text{EW} \sim 4500 \text{ \AA}$.
- Brammer et al (arXiv 1301.0317) have low s/n WFC3 grism spectrum supporting $z=2.4$
- No [O II] or Ly α from LRIS spectrum present a puzzle
- Capak et al have MOSFIRE spectrum



Star Formation History

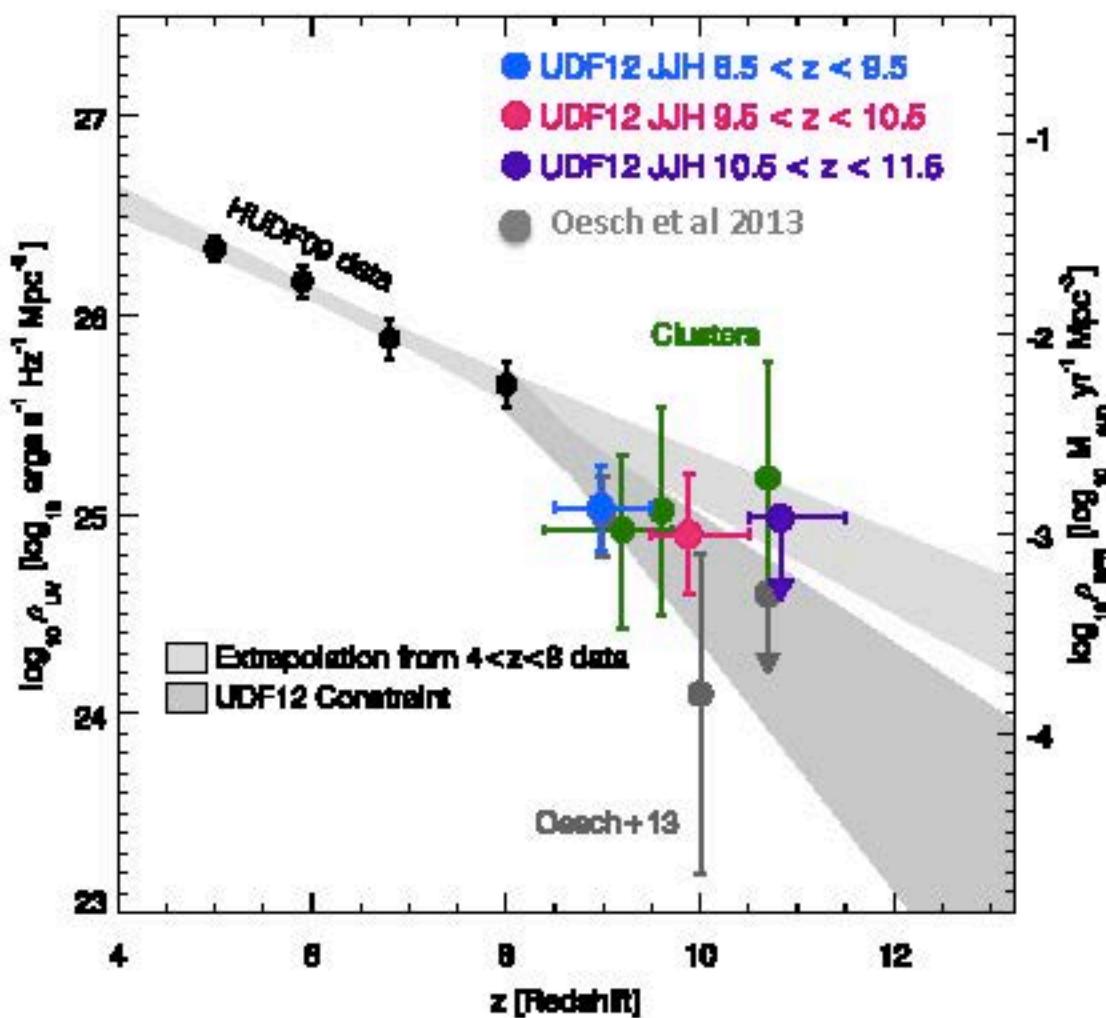
Regardless of $z \sim 11.9$
candidate, main
advance is
improvement in census
of galaxies $8.5 < z < 10$

6 robust objects (c.f.
none confirmed from
earlier UDF data)

In agreement with
CLASH, see smooth
decline in SF history to
 $z \sim 10$, possibly $z \sim 12$

Continuity has important
implications for $z > 10$
studies with JWST and
models of reionization

1Byr 800Myr 400Myr 350Myr



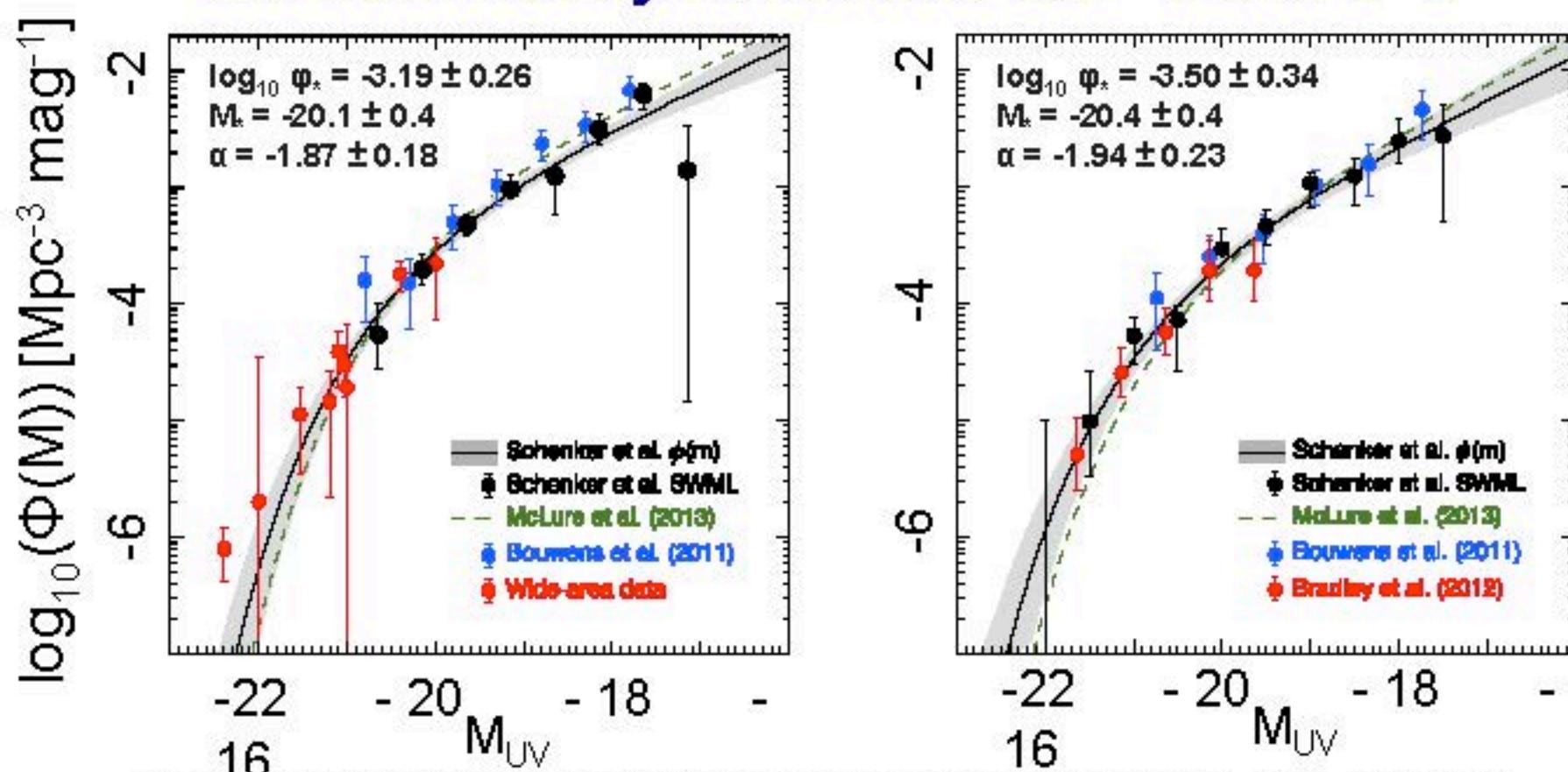
74 Star Forming Galaxies with $6.3 < z < 8.6$



$6.3 < z < 7.2$

$7.4 < z < 8.6$

UV Luminosity Functions at z~7 and z~8



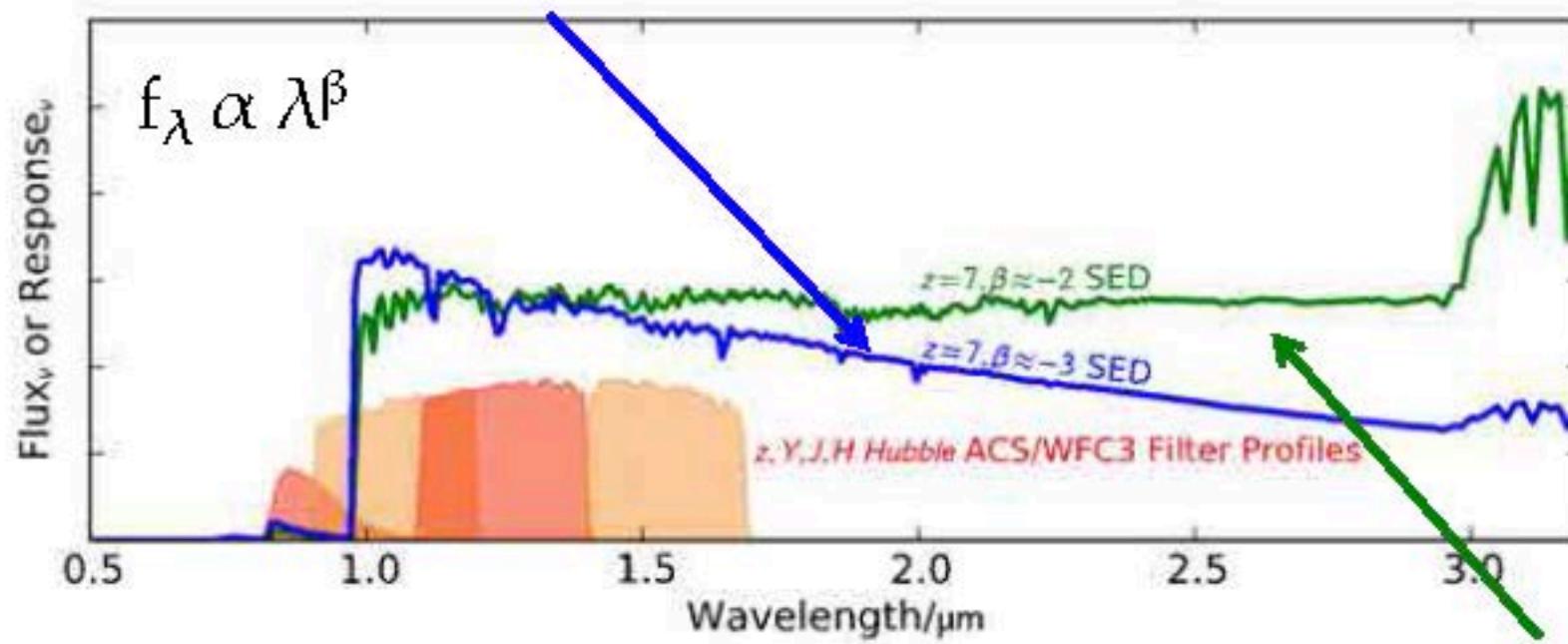
- UDF12 enables us to reach lower luminosity galaxies at z~7 and 8
- At z~7 N=47 (20 new); at z~8 N=27 (9 new)
- Confirm steep faint end slopes indicating dominant contribution from feeble galaxies, at least to $M_{\text{UV}} \sim -17$
- Two independent selection techniques are in excellent agreement

Schenker et al Ap J 768, 196 (2013)

McLure et al MNRAS 432, 2696 (2013)

Stellar Populations at $z \sim 7-8$ and ξ_{ion}

Early galaxies may be extremely metal-poor. Formed of “pristine” gas, galaxies harboring these stellar populations would have very blue colors with a steep UV spectral shape and emit prodigious amounts of ionizing photons, i.e. large ξ_{ion}



More mature stellar populations, formed from remnants of the first generation supernovae, will contain heavier elements, have less-blue colors (flat spectral slopes) and emit less ionizing photons, lower ξ_{ion}

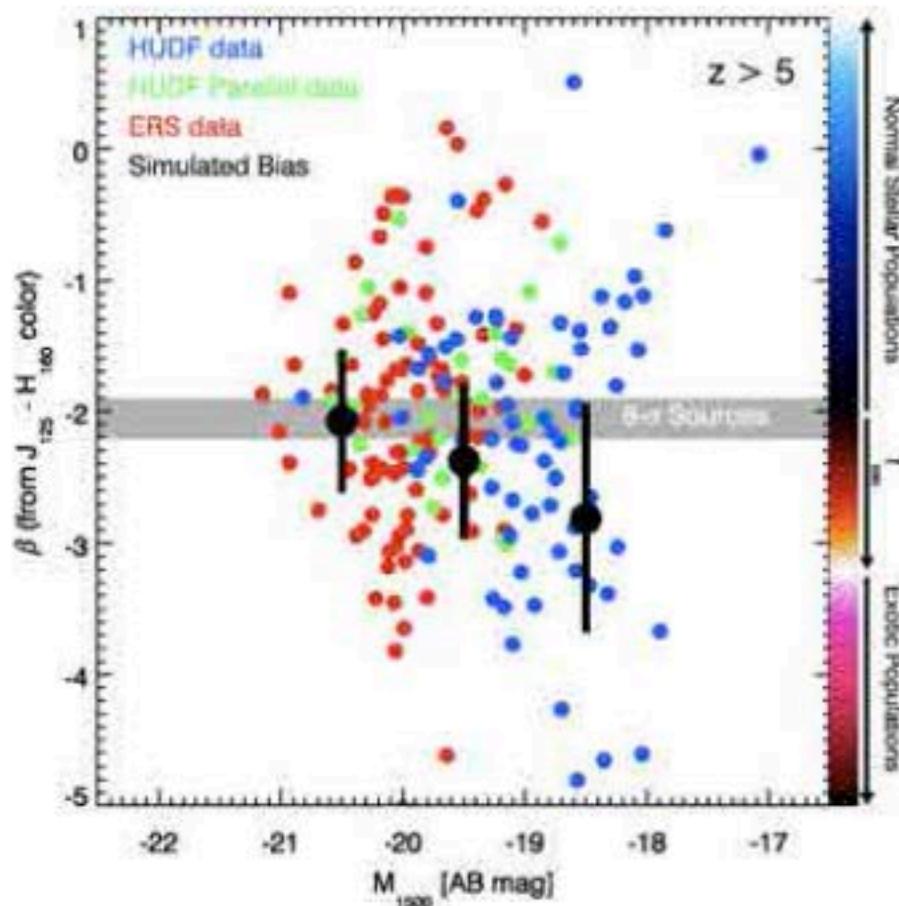
Disentangling which of these stellar population types are being observed involves measuring the UV spectral slope β

Nature of Stellar Populations: Earlier Work

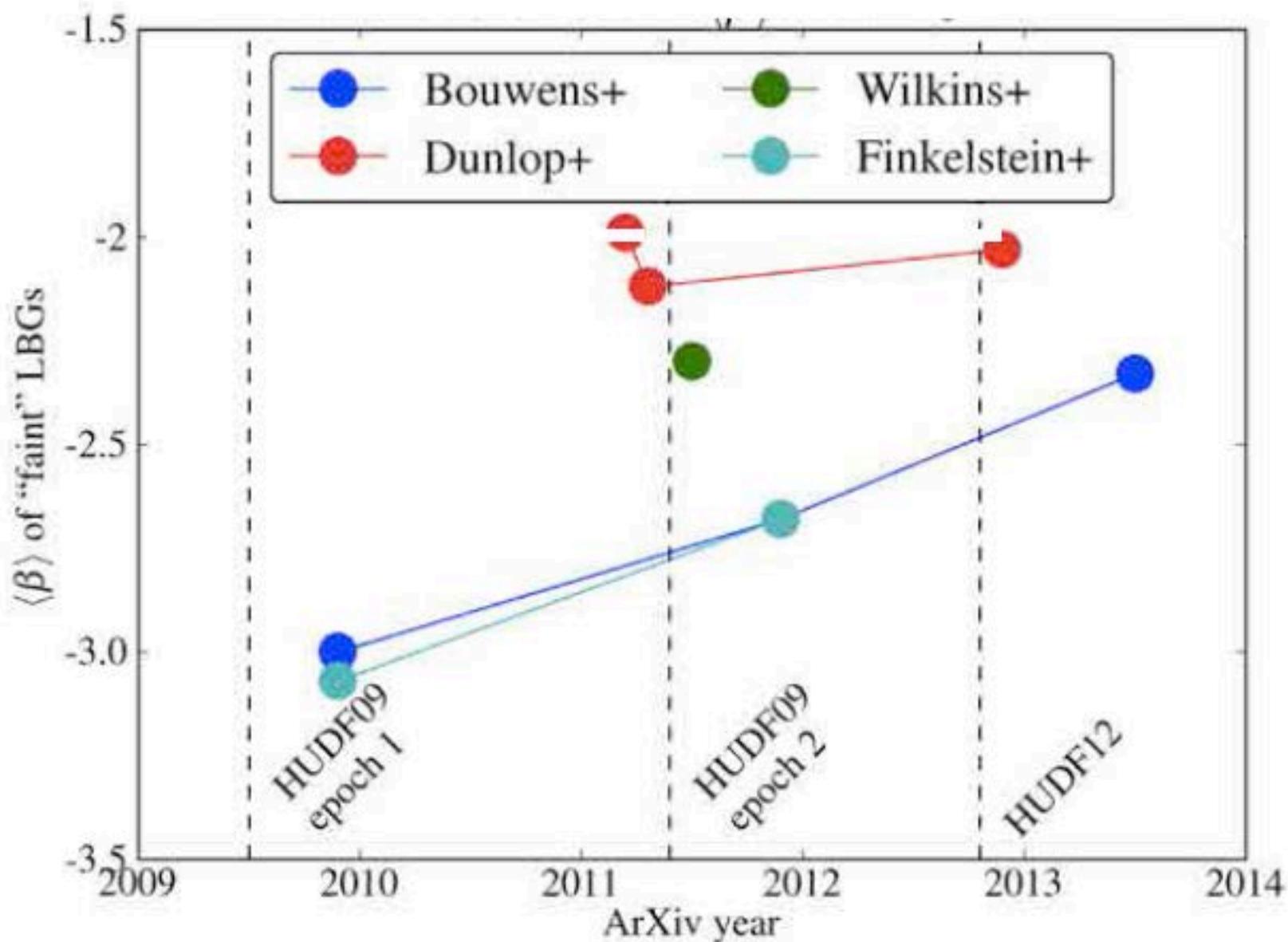
β estimated from (J-H) colors in UDF 2009 suggested extremely blue populations for faintest galaxies (Bouwens et al 2010)

- Boosting in J biases β to bluer, more extreme values
- Boosting in H affects photo-z solution, placing object at $z \sim 2$
- Simulations can reproduce trends for a fixed input β

Deeper HST data with additional J140W filter can clarify trends. We can select sources in a band independent of those used to estimate the UV color

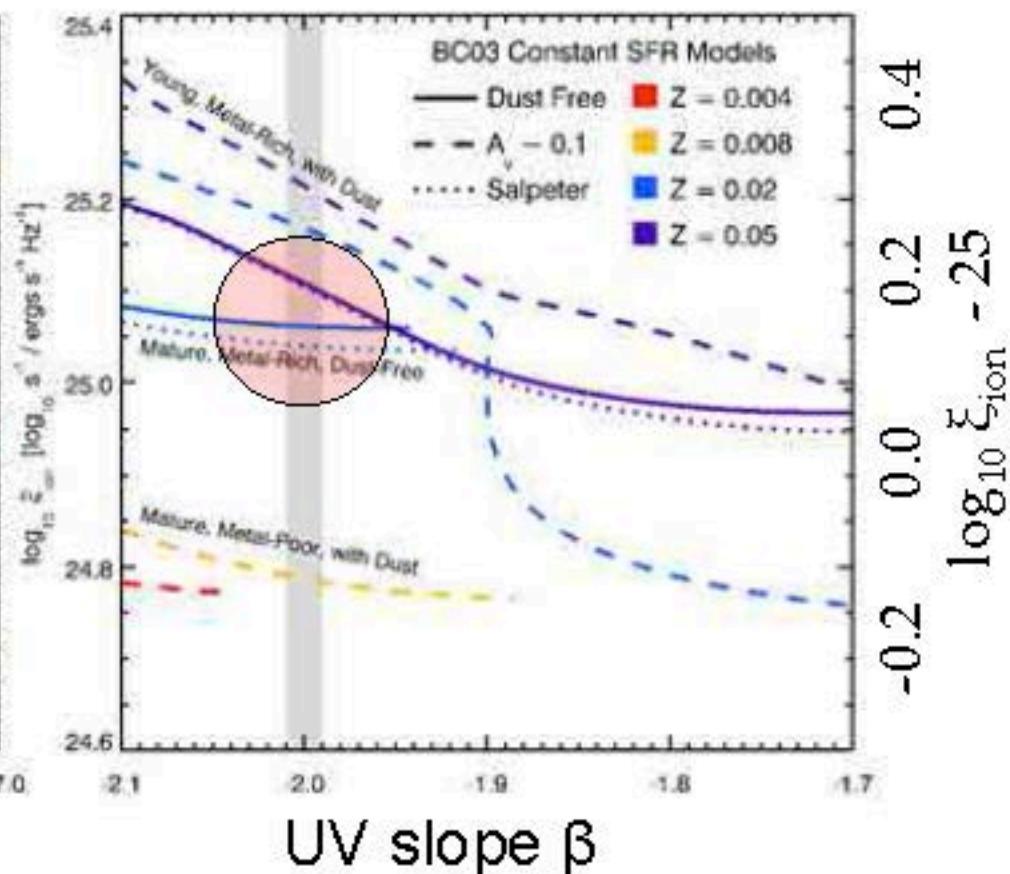
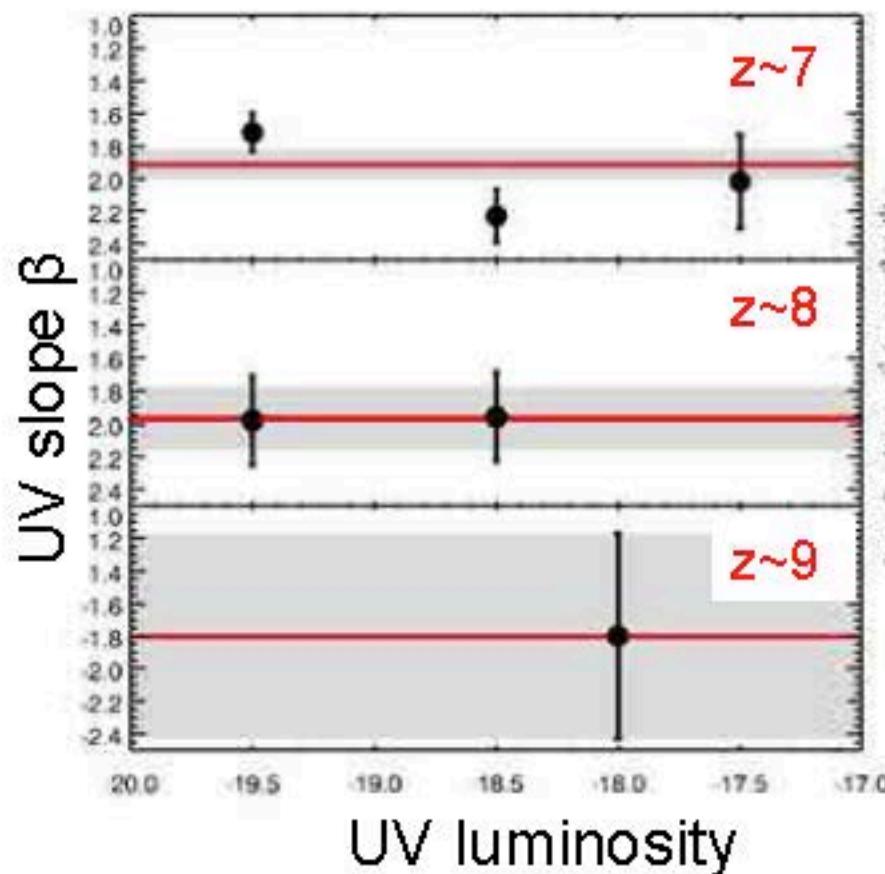


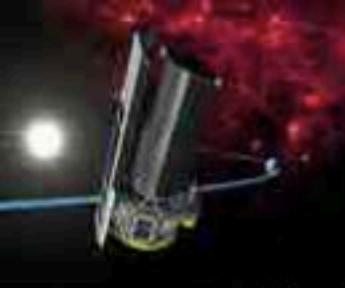
Gradual Reconciliation of β (2010-2014)?



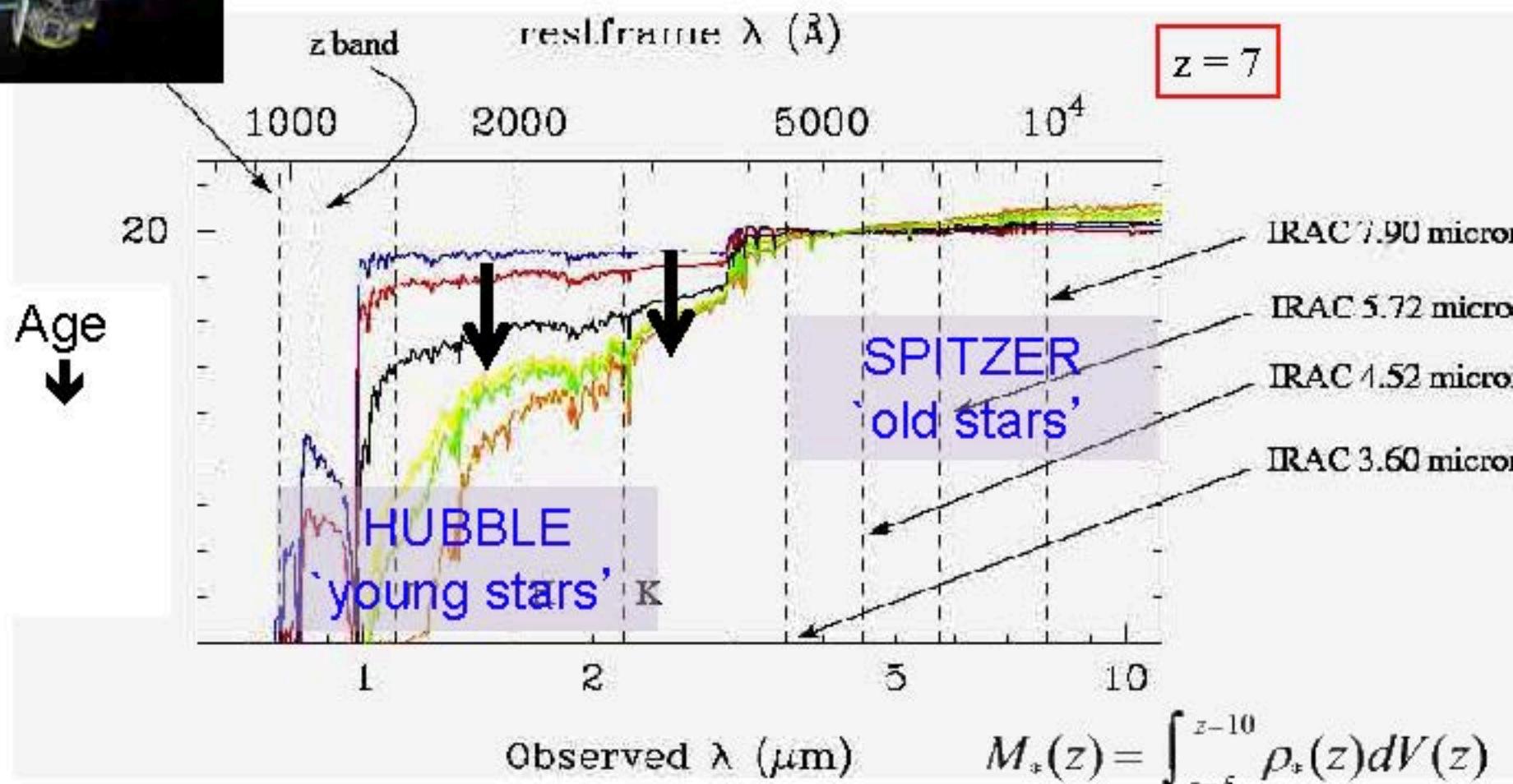
Constraining Ionizing to UV Photon Ratio ξ_{ion}

Contrary to earlier claims, $z \sim 7$ -8 galaxies have **normal UV colors** at all probed luminosities consistent with **mature > 100 Myr stellar populations** (supporting SF beyond $z \sim 10$) and narrow range in ionizing supply factor ξ_{ion}





Key Role of Spitzer: Masses and Ages



Hubble measures **current SFR**

Spitzer measures **mass in older stars**

Combination gives **mean age**

Eyles+ 2005, Stark+ 2007, 2009, Labb + 2010, 2012, Gonzalez+ 2010, 2011

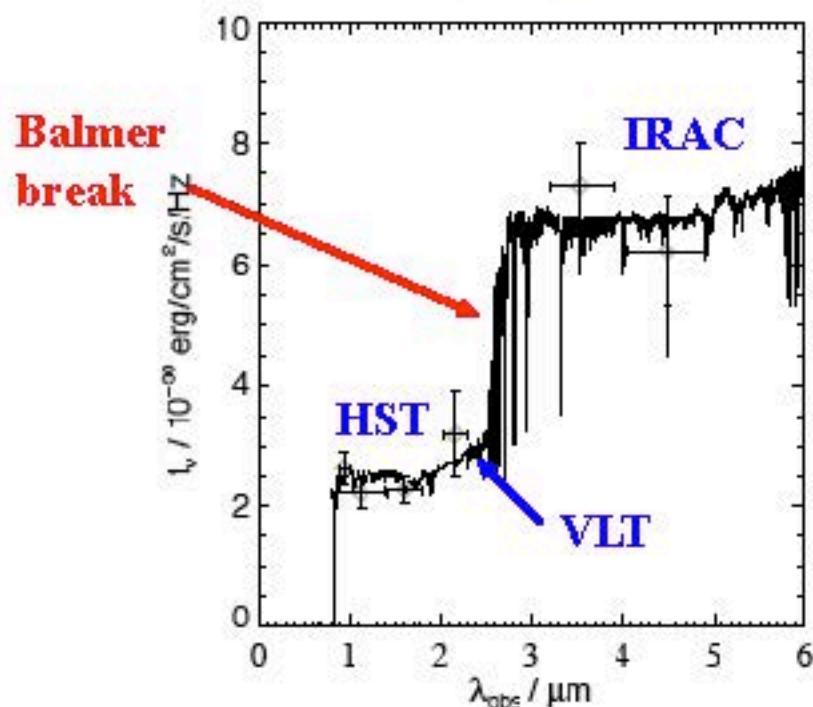
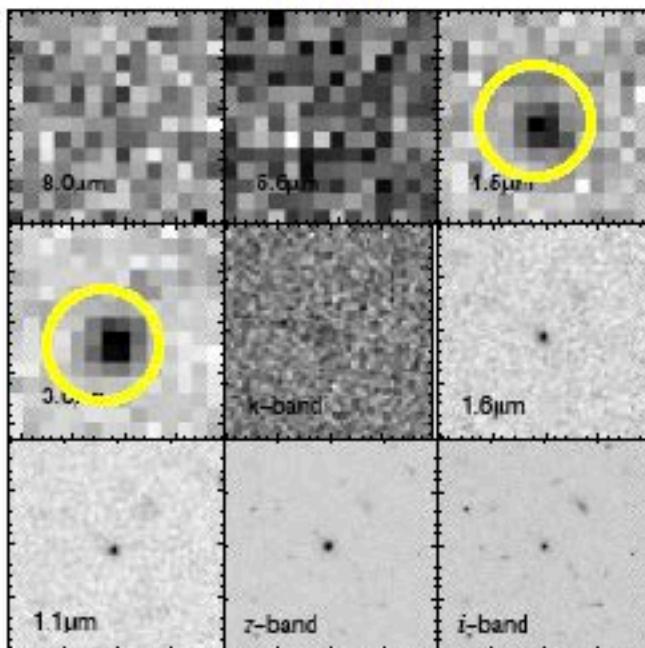
Stellar mass density at $z \sim 5-6$
implies significant past SF



Early Example

A 85cm cooled telescope can see very distant objects & provide crucial data on stellar masses and ages

SMB03-1: $z_{\text{spec}} = 5.83$ stellar mass = $3.4 \cdot 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ age > 100 Myr



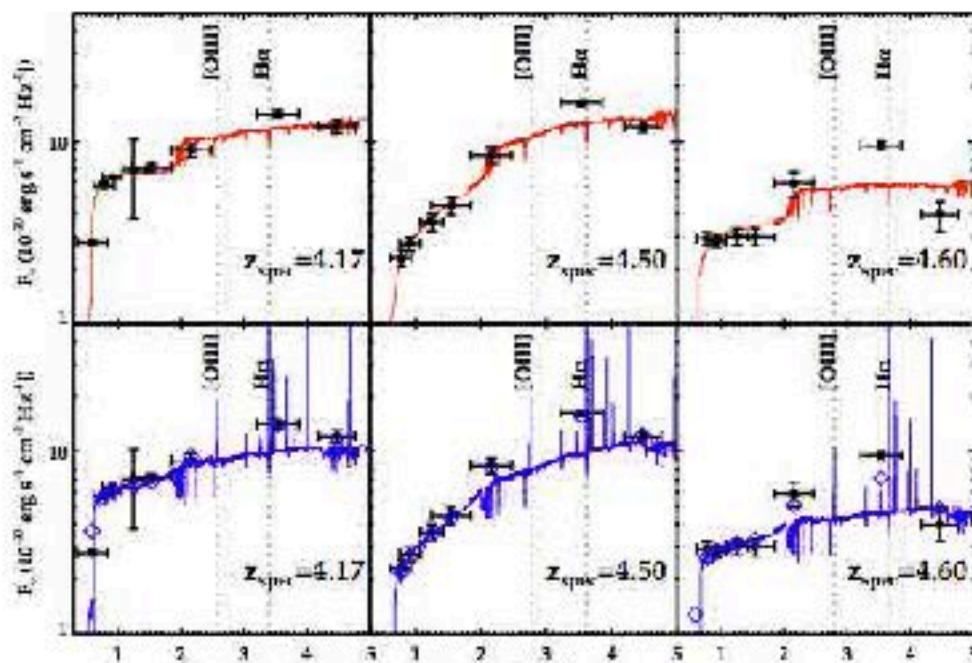
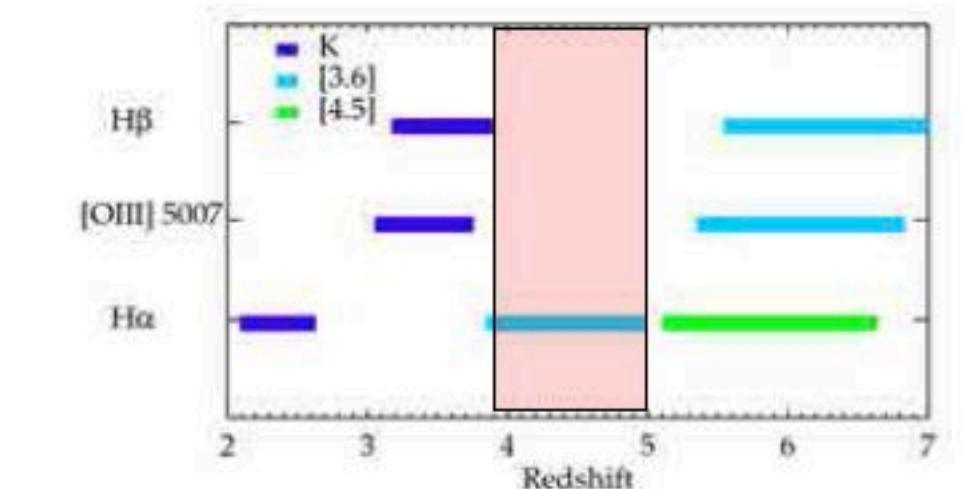
Eyles et al (2005): to produce $M \sim 3 \cdot 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ since $z \sim 10$ required $5-30 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ comparable to the ongoing SFR ($6-20 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$) so acts as probe of earlier activity

One Wrinkle...Nebular Emission

- HST/IRAC photometry permits stellar-only & stellar+nebular solutions; but ambiguous solutions without additional constraint

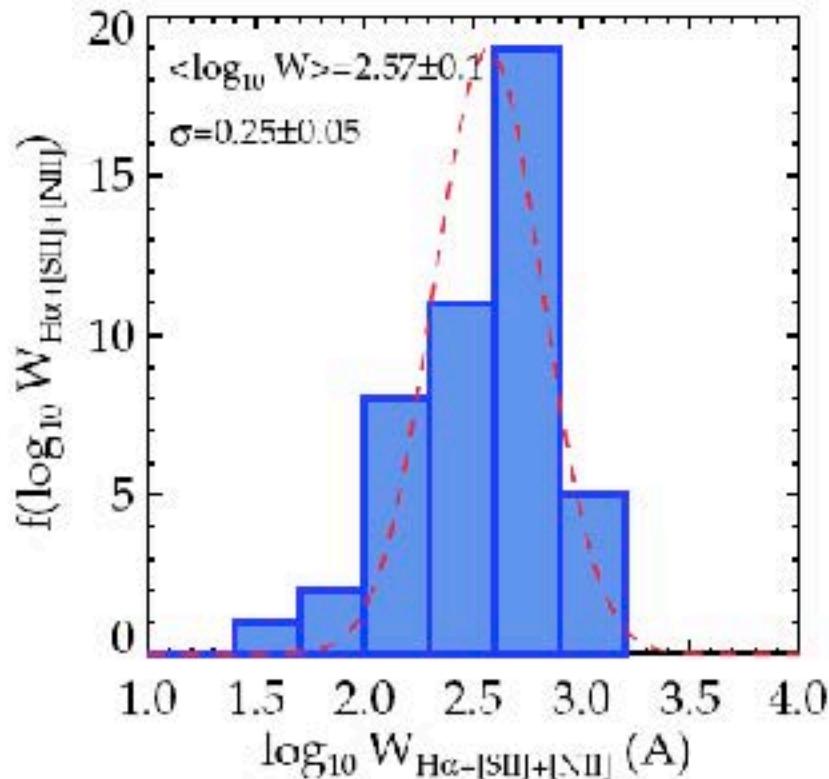
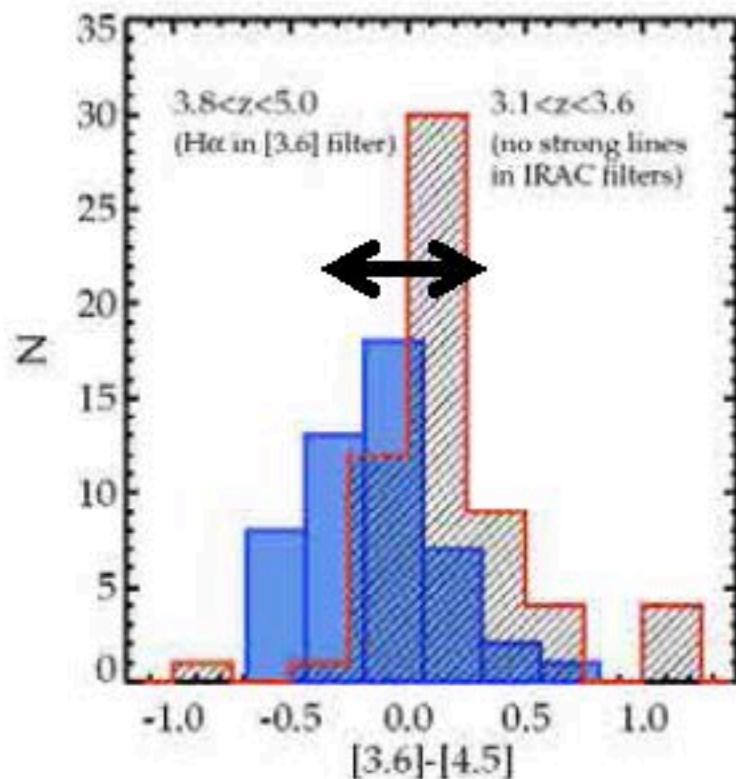
- Keck spectra provide unique opportunity to evaluate the effect of $\text{H}\alpha$ in $3.6\mu\text{m}$ band as precise location of line is known

- Examining $N=45$ galaxies with spectroscopic $3.8 < z < 5.0$ for IRAC excess c.f. stellar only model fits reveals serious contamination



Stark et al (2012) (also Schaerer+09,10, Ono+10, Shim+11, Atek+11)

Nebular Emission in Keck Spectroscopic Sample

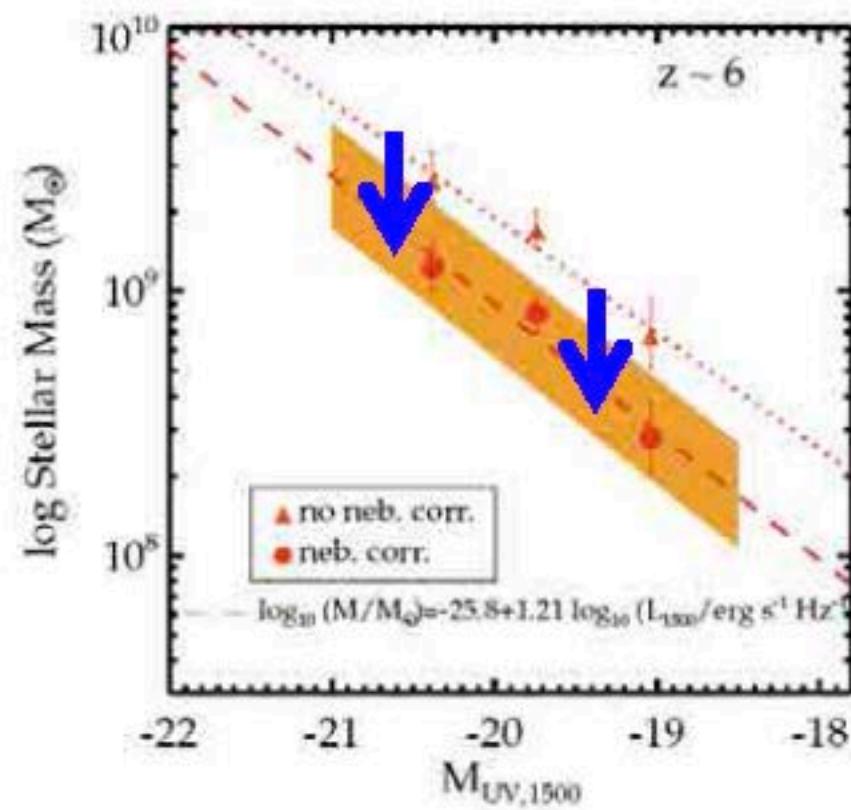
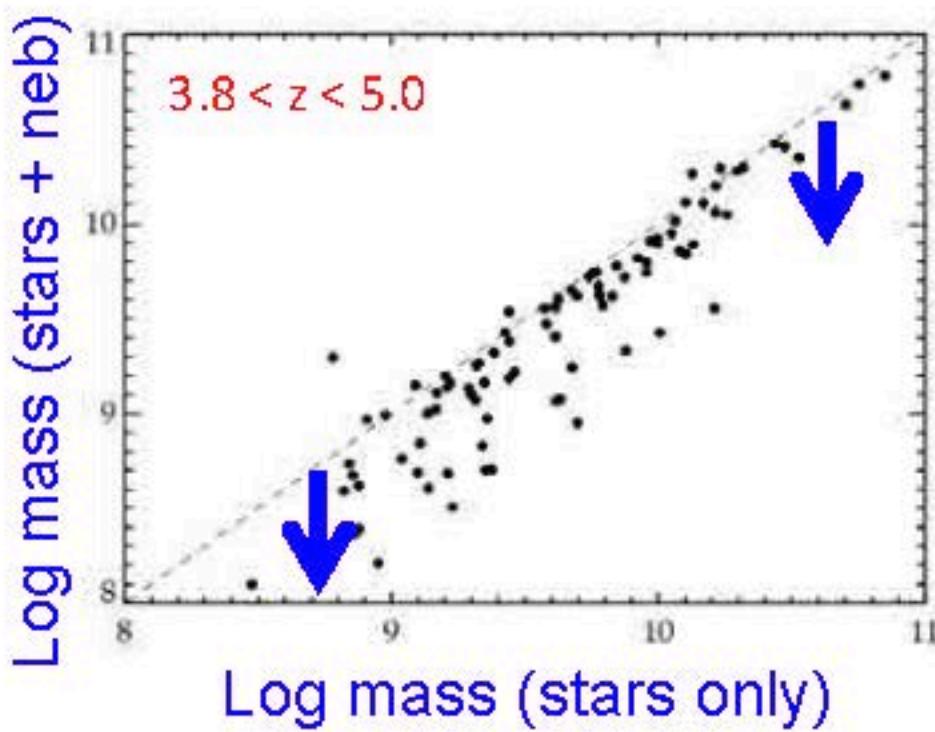


- When H α is redshifted into the 3.6 μ m band, the effect is clearly seen in the IRAC colors c.f. control sample with 3.1 < z < 3.6
- 86% of 3.8 < z < 5.0 sample shows 3.6 μ m excess
- Median EW=270 Å (30% of light in 3.6 μ m)

Stark et al (2012) see also Shim et al (2011)

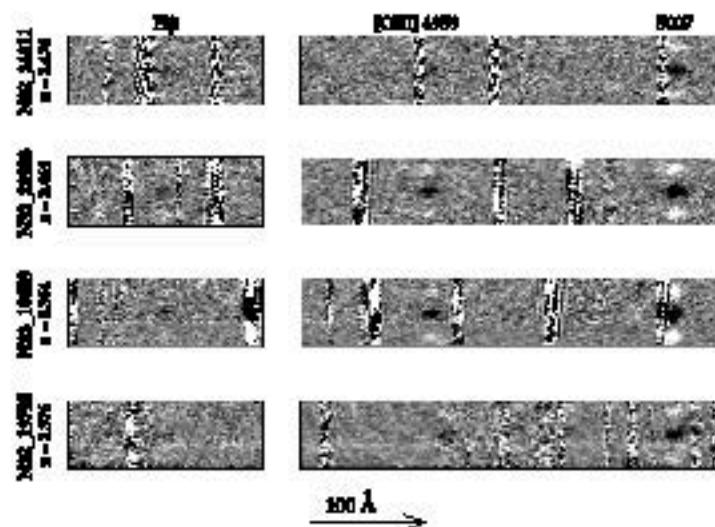
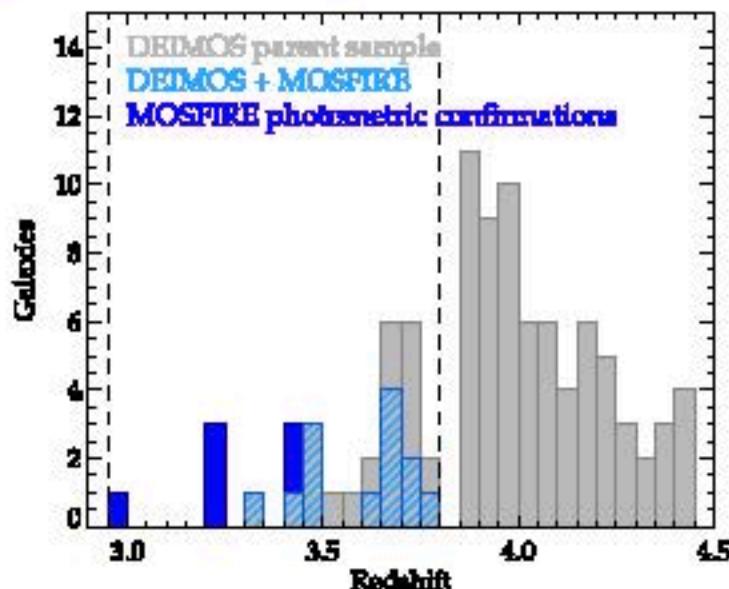
Effect of Nebular Emission on Stellar Masses

- Modest reduction (0.3 dex) of stellar masses for $3.8 < z < 5.0$
- But nebular contamination will be greater at $z \sim 6-7$ ($H\beta$, [O III], H α)
- Can estimate contribution from $EW(H\alpha)$ distribution at $3.8 < z < 5.0$
- Reduces stellar masses by $\sim 2-4x$ depending on evolution of $EW(z)$



Stark et al (2013) see also Curtis-Lake et al (2012)

Spectroscopic Verification of Nebular Emission



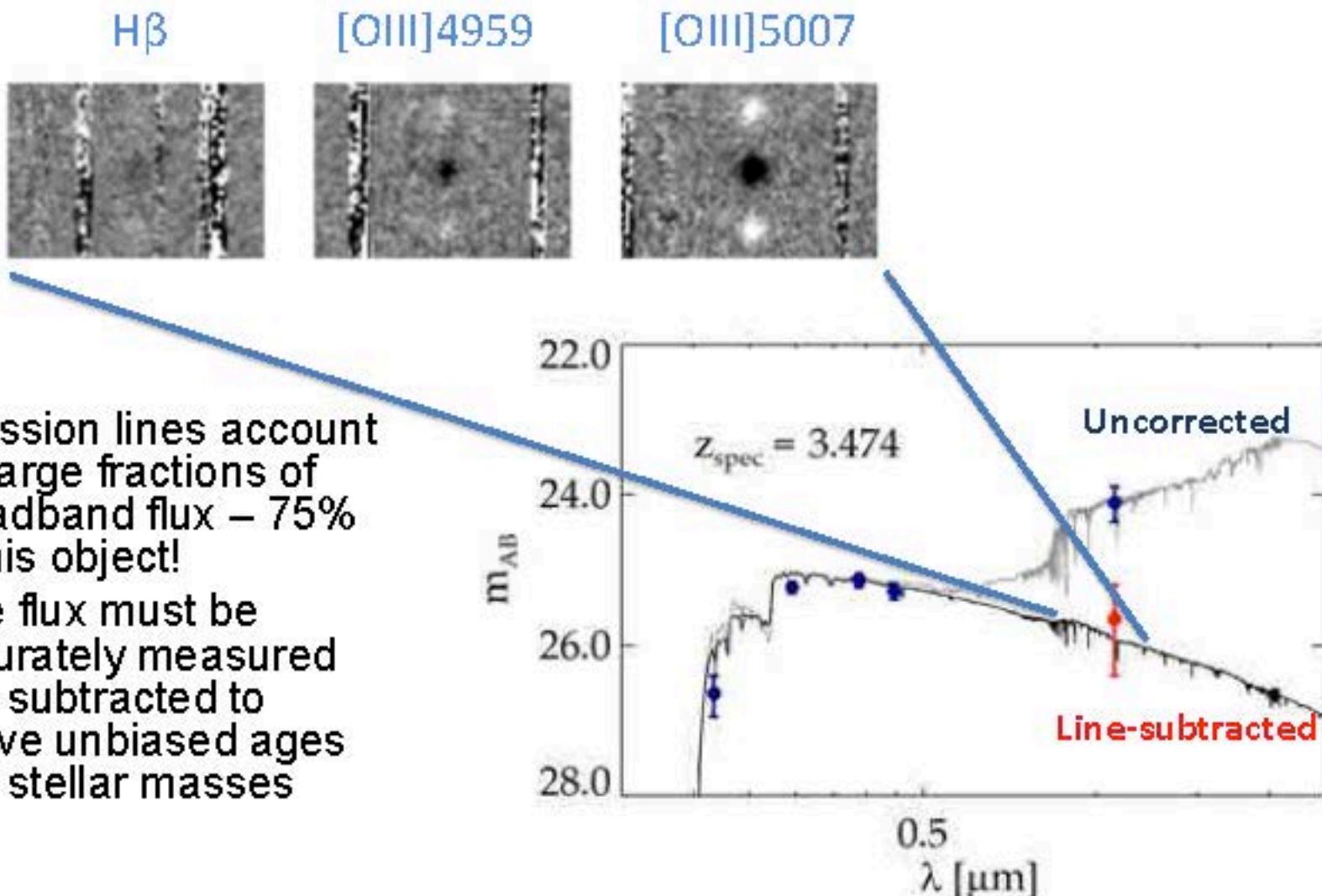
- We cannot spectroscopically confirm inferred $\text{EW}(\text{H}\alpha) \sim 3.8 < z < 5.0$ before launch of JWST
- But we can test strength of [O III] using a Keck sample of 20 $3.0 < z < 3.8$ galaxies using MOSFIRE
- Assuming $[\text{O III}]/\text{H}\alpha \sim 2.2$ (for $0.2Z_{\odot}$), agreement with Stark et al is reasonably good ($\Delta z \sim 1$ but MOSFIRE probes 1^m fainter in M_{UV})



Inferred
from H α
study of
Stark et
al 2013

How bad could it get...?

Keck MOSFIRE spectrum of $z \sim 3.6$ galaxy with [O III] in K-band



Did Galaxies Reionize the Universe?

UDF2012 Data

Theoretical models

External observations

UV Luminosity function



UV slope

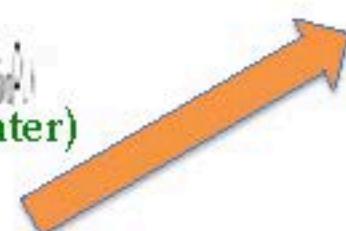
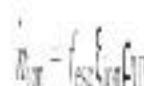
Population synthesis models



Escape fraction

Largely unconstrained (see later)

$$\dot{n}_{\text{ion}} = f_{\text{esc}} \xi_{\text{ion}} \rho_{\text{UV}}$$



WMAP optical depth to
surface of last scattering



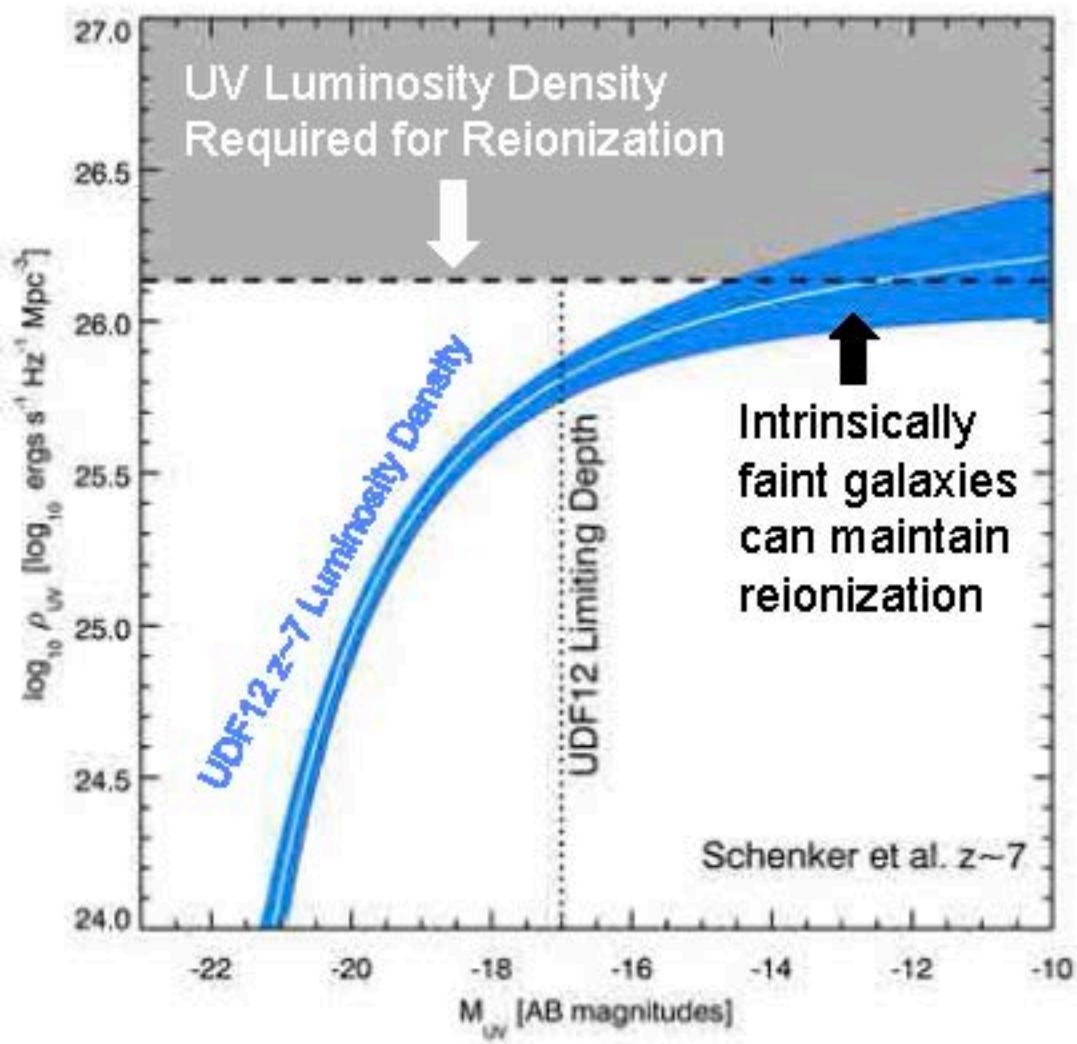
Stellar mass density



Evolution of volume-filling
fraction of HII, Q_{HII}

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{HII}} = \frac{\dot{n}_{\text{ion}}}{\langle n_{\text{HII}} \rangle} - \frac{Q_{\text{HII}}}{t_{\text{rec}}}$$

UDF12 Reionization Constraints: A Simple Illustration

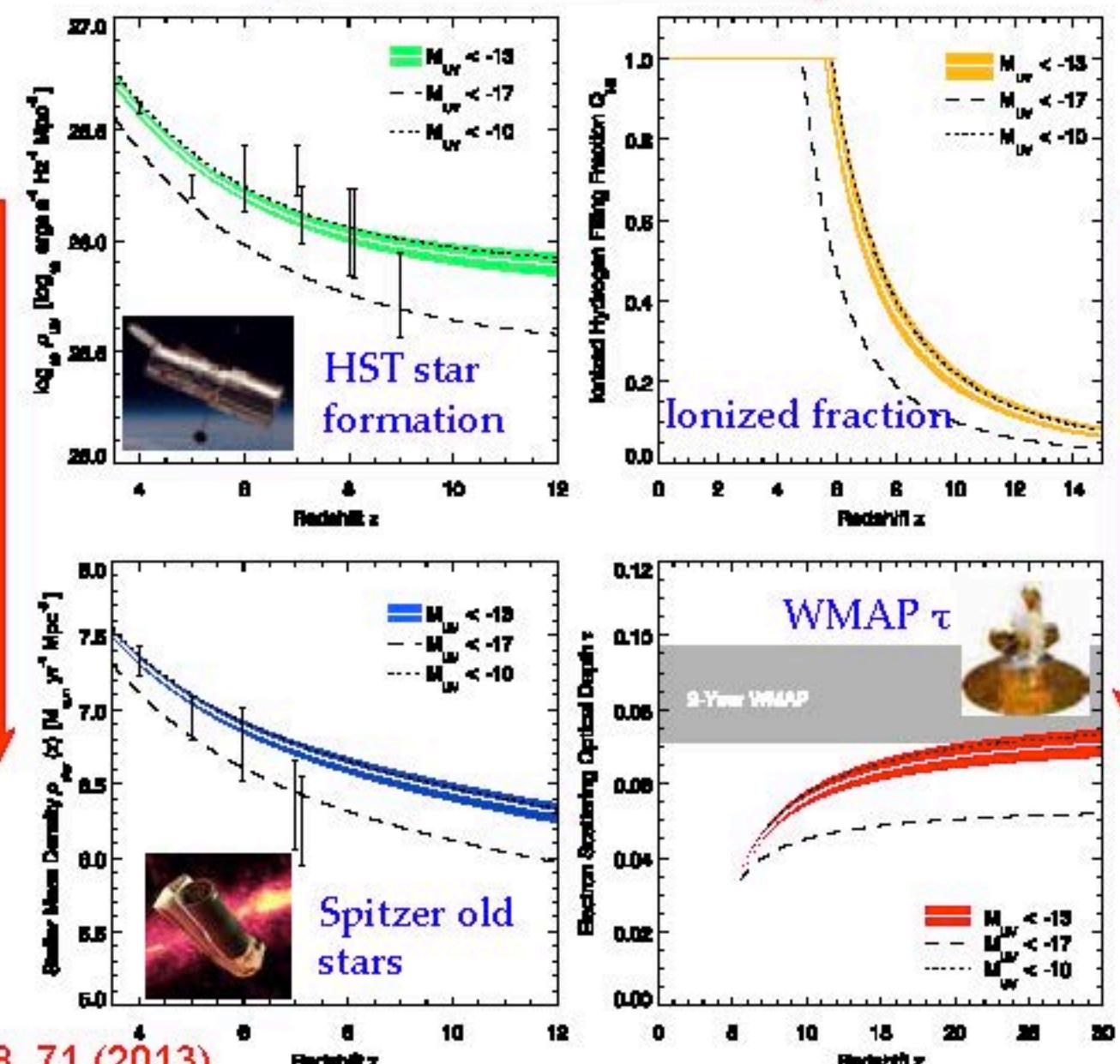


- The constrained faint end slope of the luminosity function allows us to conclude that **fainter, yet unseen galaxies (extrapolating to $M_{\text{UV}} \sim -13$)** would be sufficient to maintain reionization

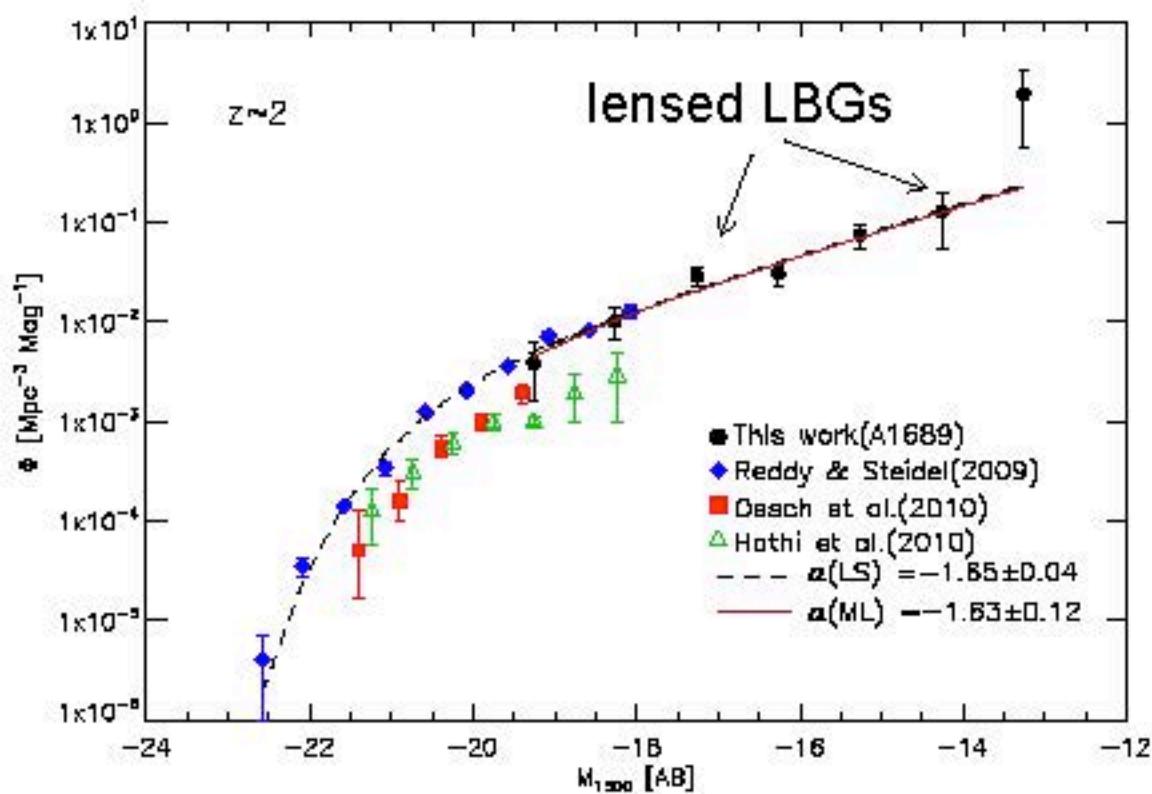
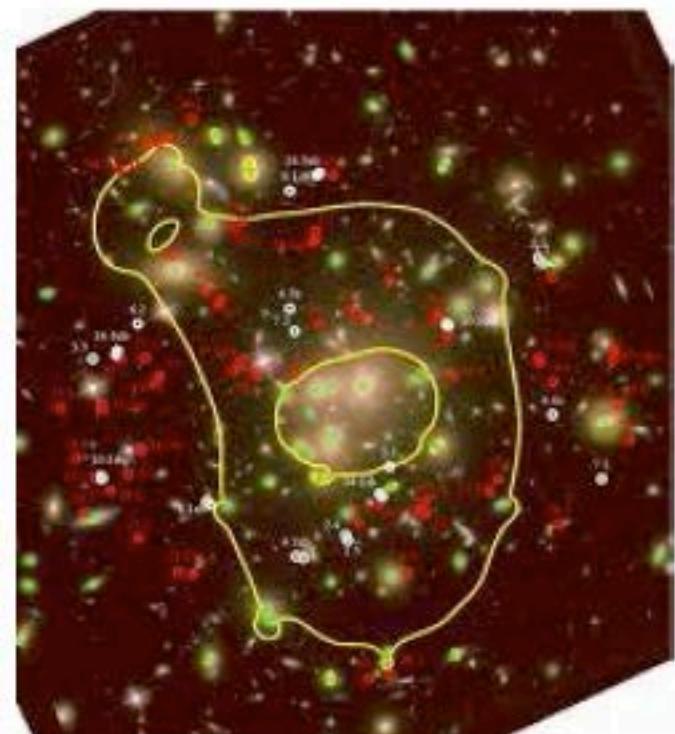
The Full Monty: Galaxies Ended the Dark Ages

The UDF2012 star formation rate density ($N(z)$) and faint end LF slope integrates to match the stellar mass density and given ξ_{ion} (β) matches the CMB optical depth τ provided

- LF extrapolated to $M_{\text{UV}} \sim -13$
- $f_{\text{esc}} \sim 0.2$
- SFR extends beyond $z \sim 10$

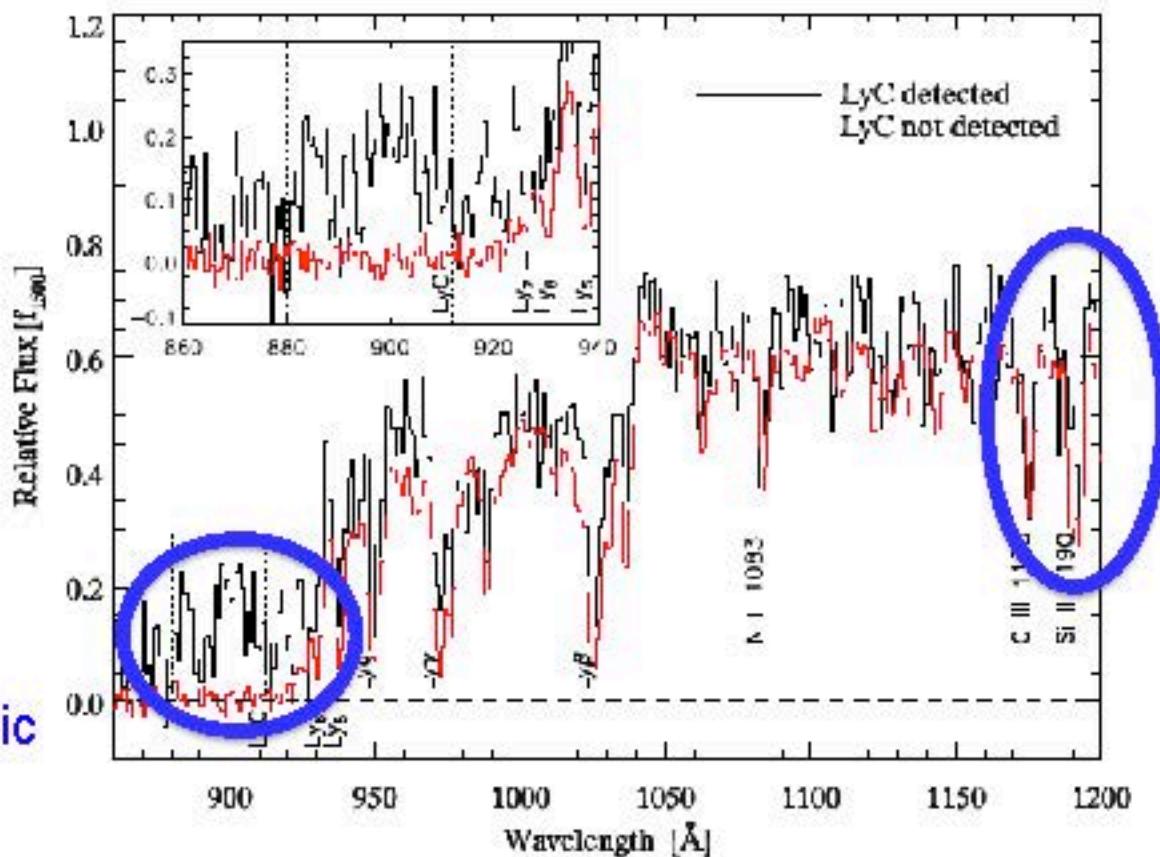


Faint End of the LBG LF at $z \sim 2$



72 strongly-lensed $z \sim 2$ LBGs locating using WFC3/UVIS in Abell 1689 offer first glimpse at the faint end of the LF down to $M_{\text{UV}} \sim -13$ providing a proof of concept for possible existence of galaxies to this faintness at $z \sim 7-8$

Escape Fraction of Ionizing Photons f_{esc} @ z~2



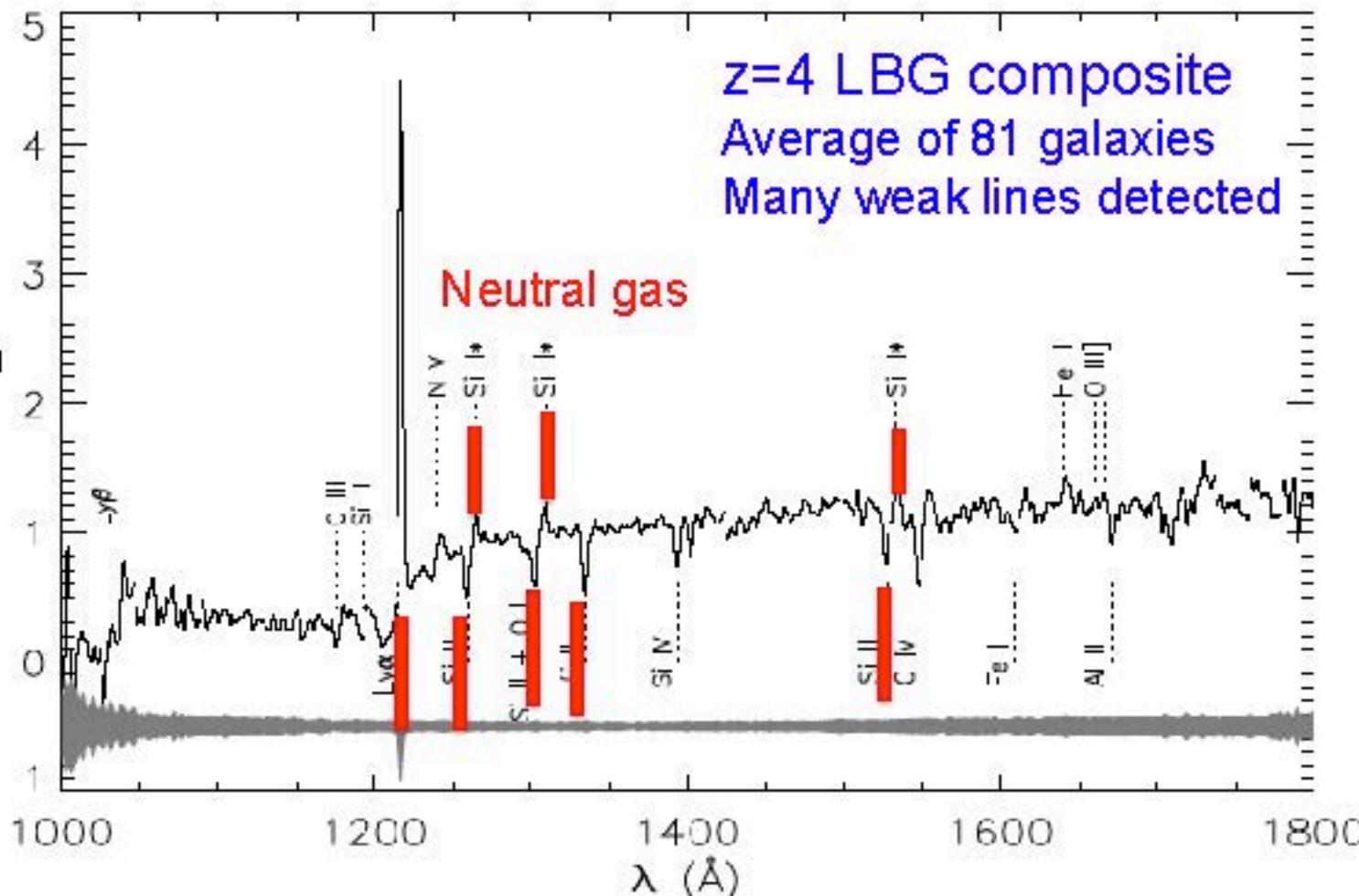
Escaping ionizing radiation at z=3
(Bogosavljevic thesis)

Weaker low-ionization absorption in sources with escaping ionizing flux

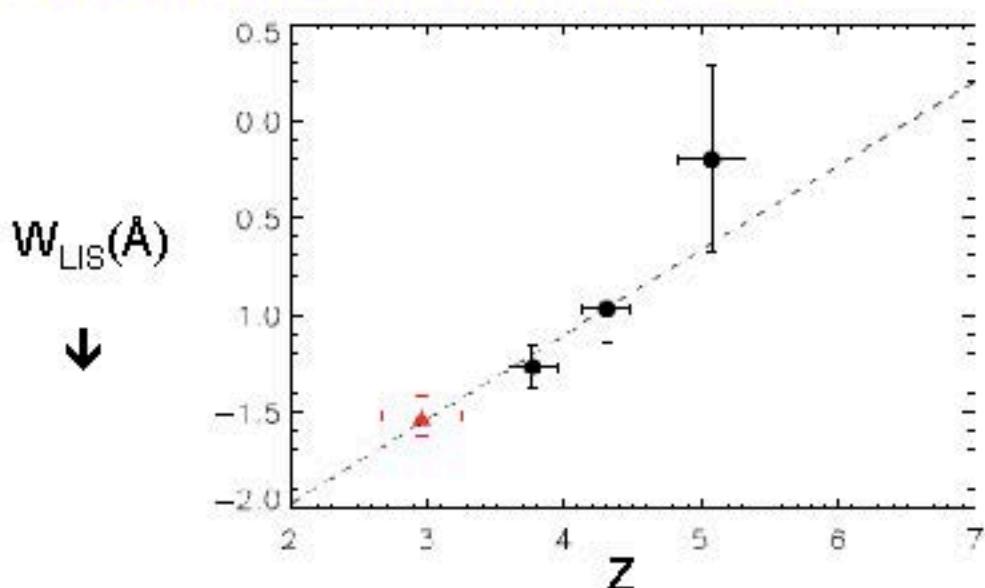
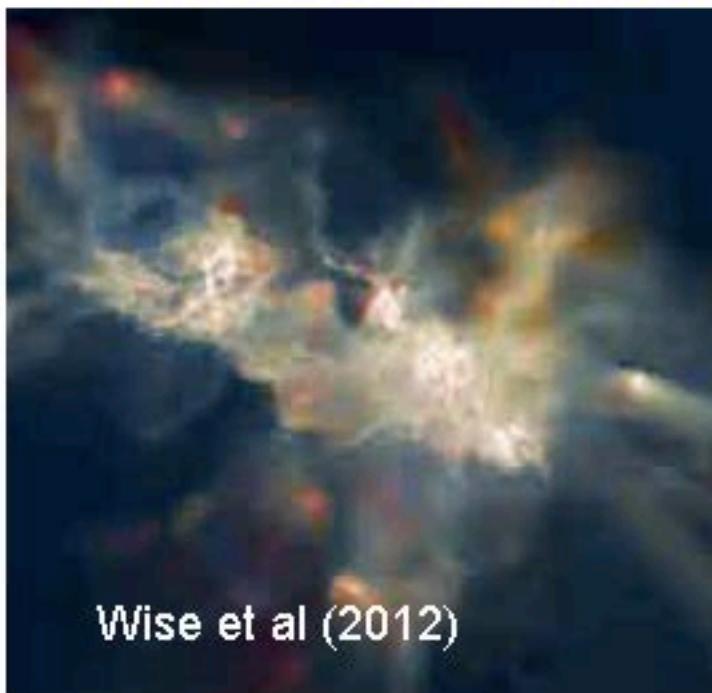
- f_{esc} estimated via spectroscopic or UV imaging below Lyman limit (e.g. Nestor et al Ap J 765, 47)
- Impractical for high z galaxies due to intervening absorption by Ly α forest
- Consider low-ionization absorption lines which trace the HI covering fraction whence $f_c = 1 - f_{\text{esc}}$

Outflowing Neutral Gas as probe of f_{esc}

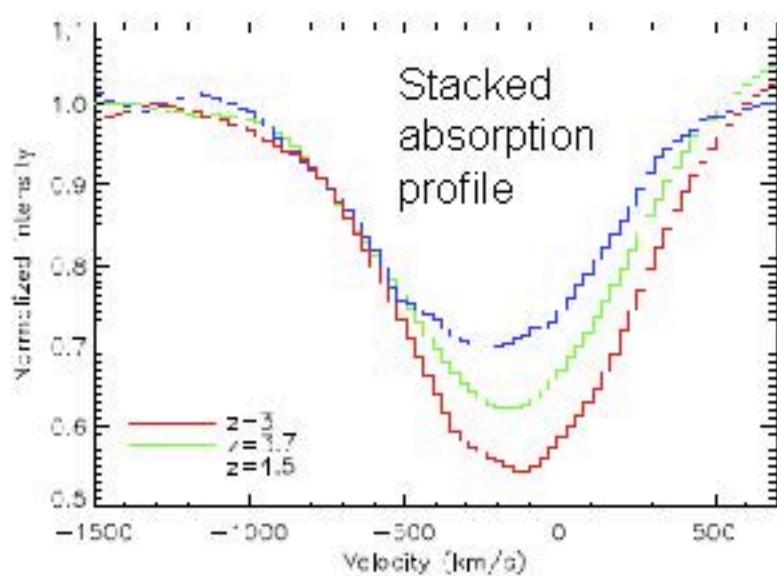
By stacking
Keck spectra
we can detect
weak low
ionization
absorption from
neutral \leftrightarrow outflowing gas



Reduced Covering Fraction of HI at high z?



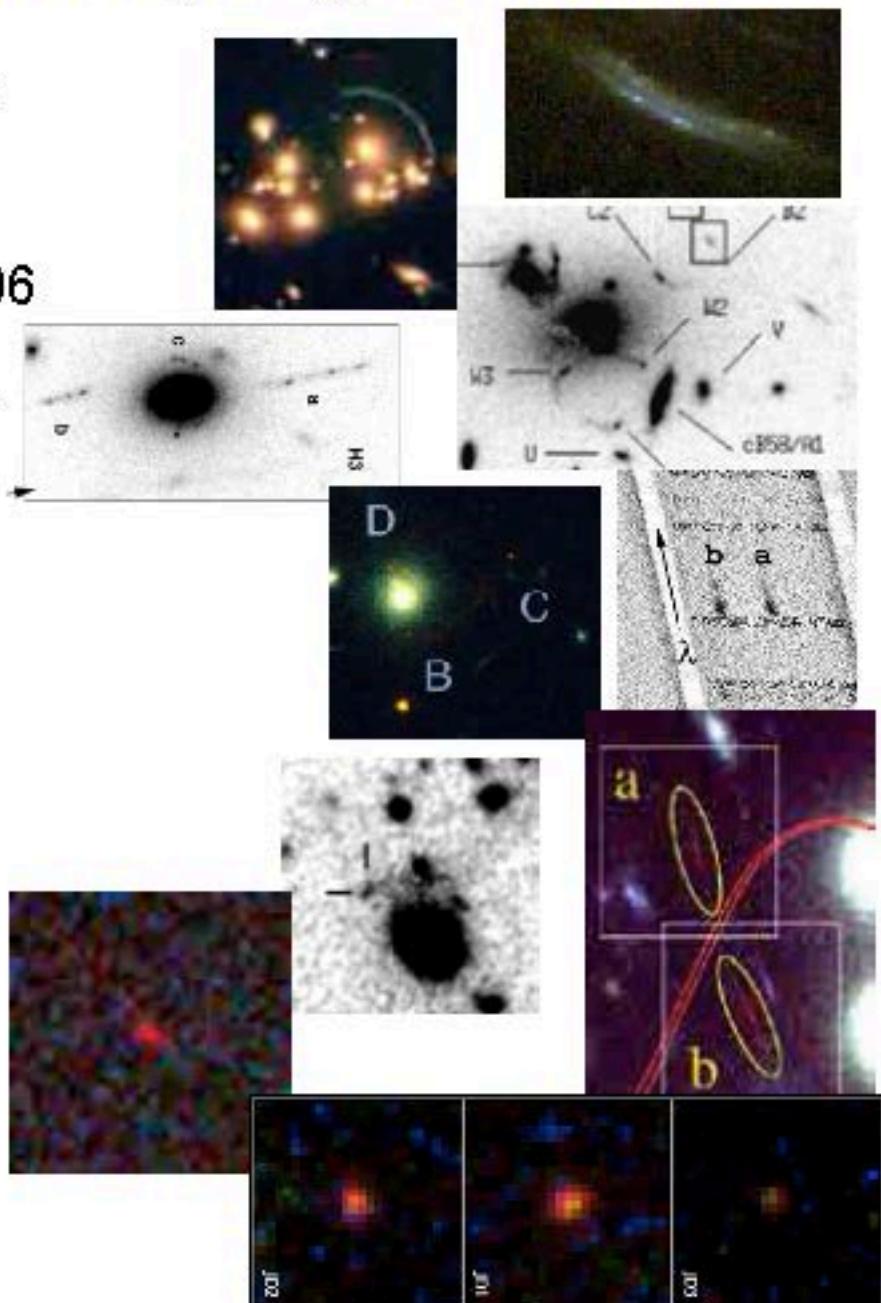
- Does f_c decrease with increasing redshift?
- Radiation pressure leads to 'cometary like' structures in simulated high z galaxies implying favorable geometries for escaping photons
- We do observe EW of low ionization lines decreases with increasing redshift but this could be due to a variety of outflow parameters (need higher resolution data)



Jones et al (2012) Ap J 751, 51

What About Gravitational Lensing? High z Records

- Abell 370 ($z=0.724$); Soucail et al 1988
- Cl2244-02 ($z=2.237$); Mellier et al 1991
- A2218 #384 ($z=2.515$); Ebbels et al 1996
- MS1512 cB58 ($z=2.72$); Yee et al 1996,
Seitz et al 1998
- A2390 ($z=4.05$); Frye et al 1998
- MS1358+62 ($z=4.92$); Franx et al 1997
- A2218 ($z=5.7$); Ellis et al 2001
- A370 ($z=6.56$); Hu et al 2002
- **A2218 ($z\sim 6.8$)**; Kneib et al 2004
- A1689 ($z\sim 7.35$); Bradley et al 2008
- **1149+2223 ($z\sim 9.6$)**; Zheng et al 2012
- **J0647+7015 ($z\sim 10.7$)**; Coe et al 2013



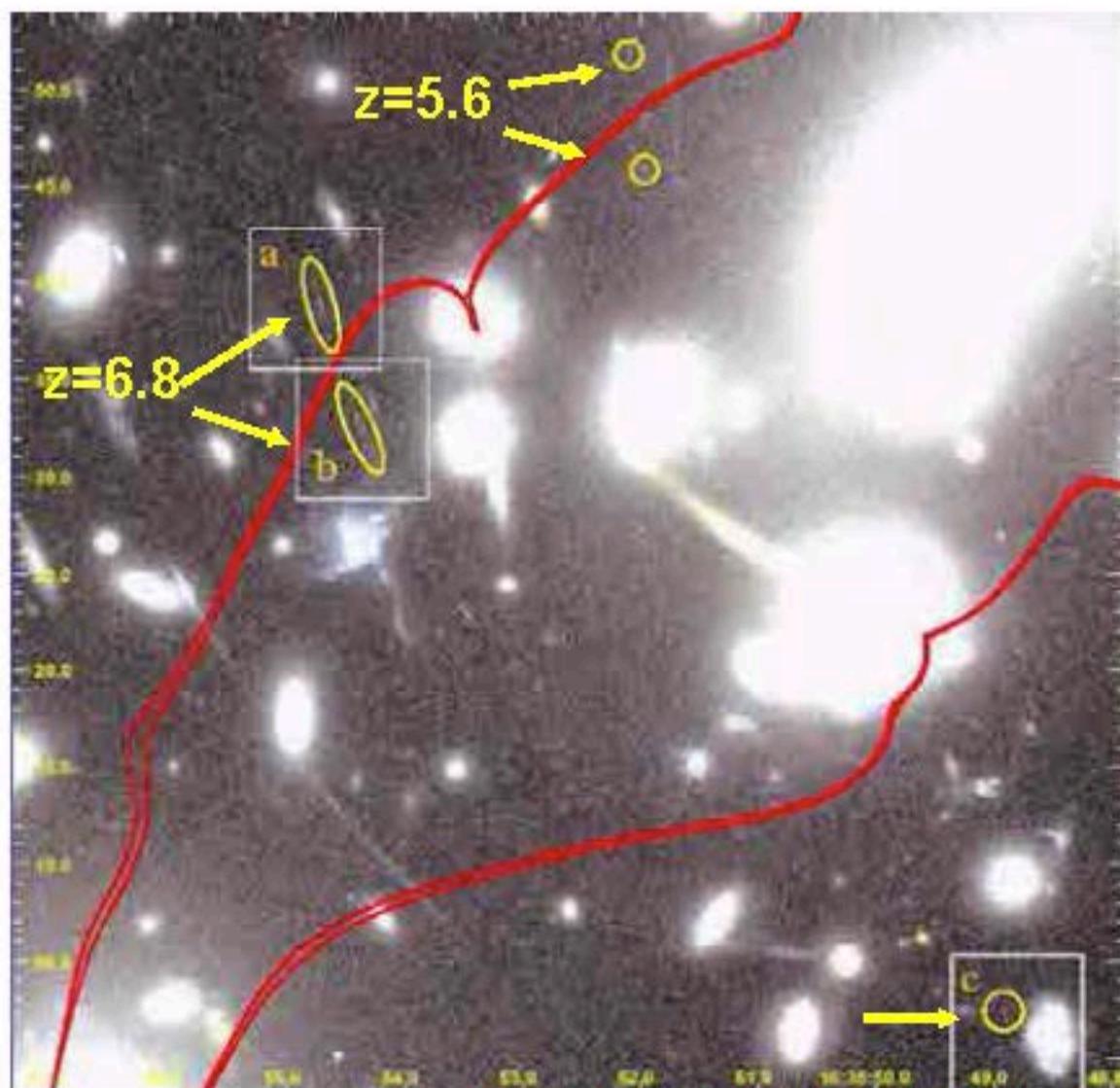
What Use is Lensing? Two Regimes - I

Multiply-imaged sources close to the '**critical line**' of maximum magnification offer a number of unique advantages:

- Geometrically constrained high magnifications (e.g. $\times 33$ and $\times 25$ here)
- Consequent good photometry and spectroscopic possibilities
- Resolved morphologies

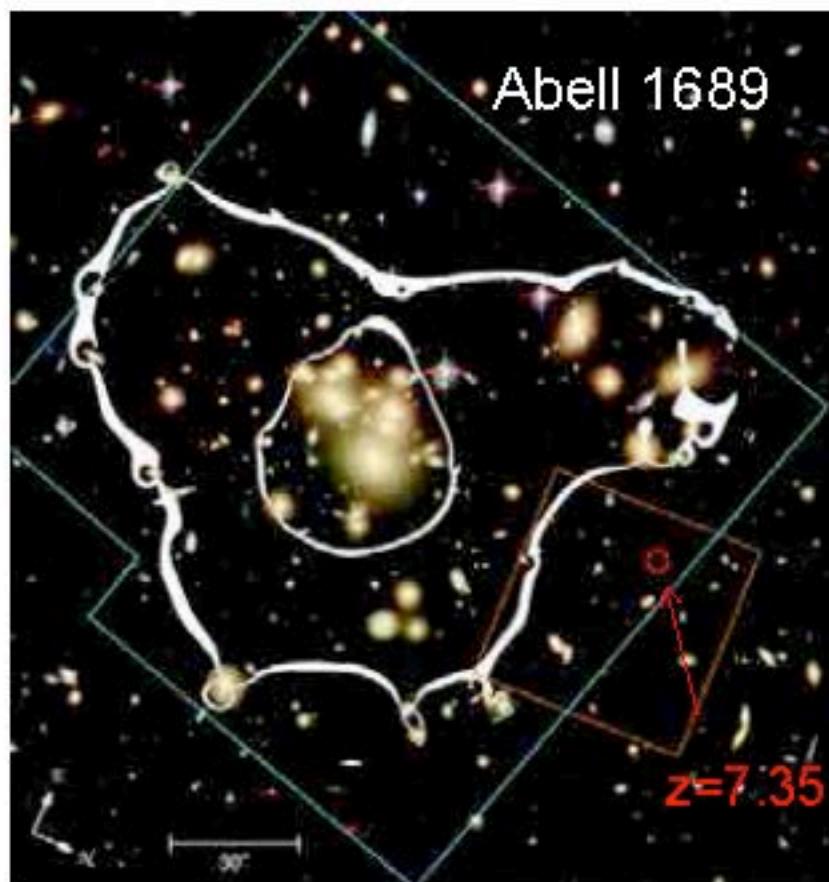
But they are RARE because the relevant survey volume is tiny!

Abell 2218

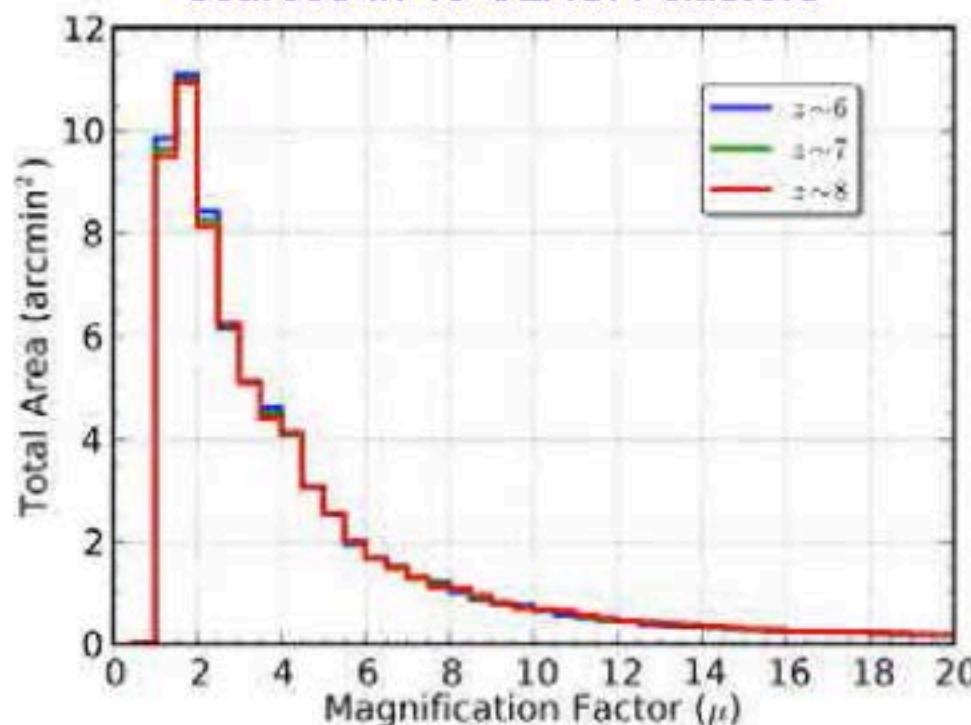


Ellis et al (2001), Kneib et al (2005)

What Use is Lensing? Two Regimes - II



Area vs magnification for ~250 lensed sources in 18 CLASH clusters



More commonly a singly-imaged source is located in the vicinity of a cluster but far from the critical line. It offers no geometric information. The magnification is less ($\times \sim 9$ here) and more uncertain. Such sources are much more common, but can they be used for representative surveying (other than a modest boosting in flux)?

Improved Spectroscopic Prospects?

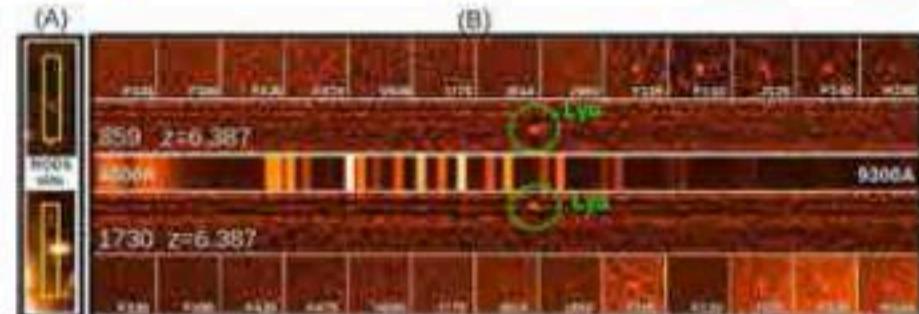
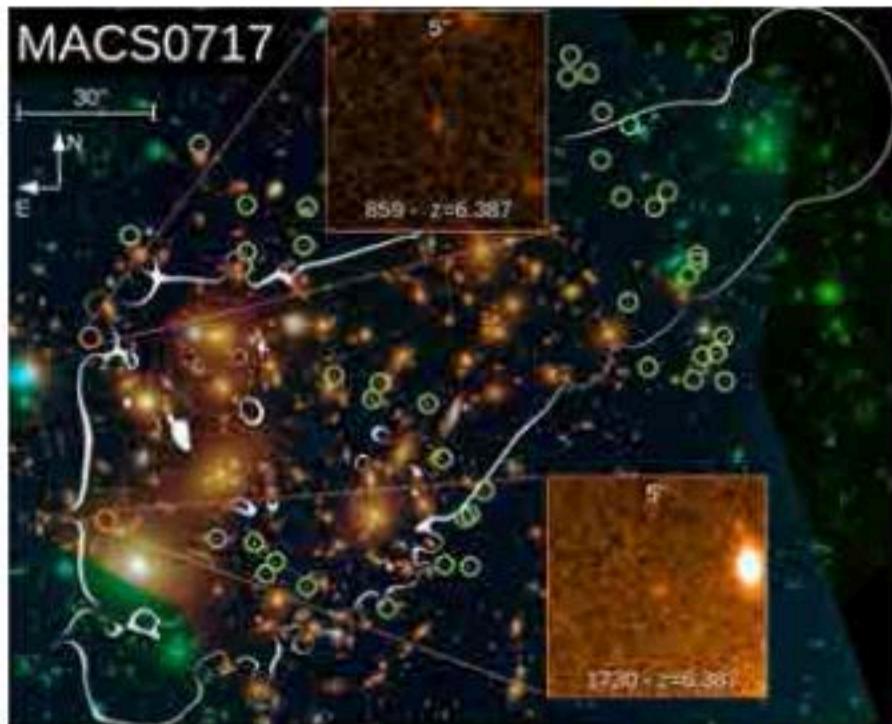
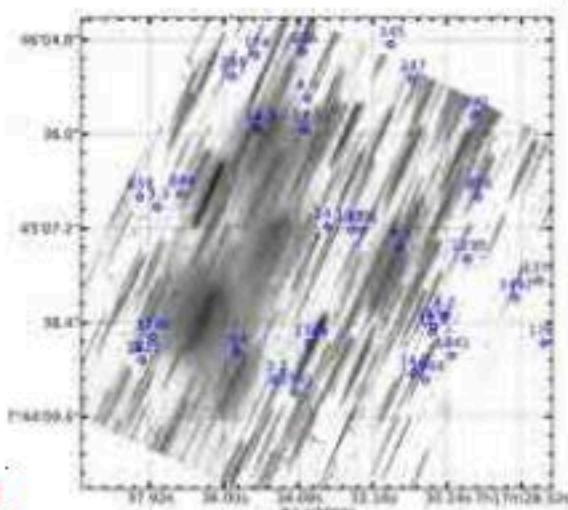


Table 1. Observed and physical parameters for 859 and 1730.

| Quantity | macs0717_0859 | macs0717_1730 |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| R.A. (J2000) | 07:17:38.18 | +37:45:16.9 |
| Decl. (J2000) | 07:17:37.85 | +37:44:33.7 |
| Redshift | 6.387(± 0.002) | 6.387(± 0.003) |
| Y ₁₀₅ (observed) | 26.42(± 0.11) | 26.34(± 0.16) |
| H ₁₆₀ (observed) | 26.88(± 0.15) | 26.78(± 0.18) |
| H ₁₆₀ (unlensed) | 26.53+2.51 log ₁₀ (μ _s) | 26.53+2.51 log ₁₀ (μ _s) |

Spectroscopic follow up has begun of lensed $z>6$ sources found in the CLASH and early Frontier Field clusters.

To date, no convincing $z > 7$ verifications...



Vanzella et al arXiv: 1312.6299 (LBT spectroscopy)

Schmidt et al arXiv: 1401.0532 (GLASS, WFC3 grism)

Statistical Analyses of High z Galaxies?

TABLE 1
Photometric and color measurements for the $z > 8 - 7$ dropouts

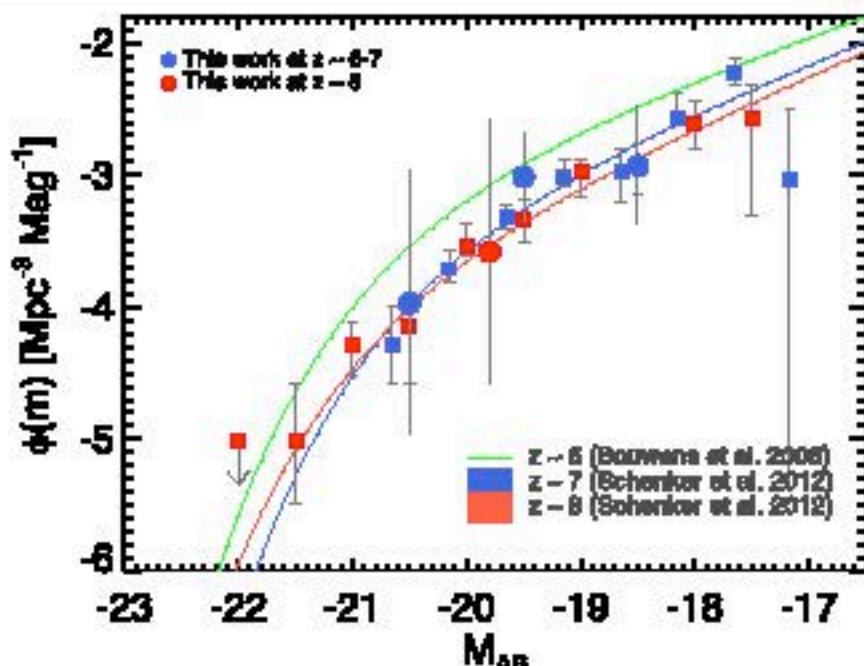
| Target | R.A. (J2000) | Dec (J2000) | $I_{105} - Y_{105}$ | $Y_{105} - J_{125}$ | J_{125} | Magnification ^a | Photo-z |
|--------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| 93 | 3.593807 | -30.415442 | > 1.34 | -0.03 ± 0.02 | 20.49 ± 0.01 | 3.42 ± 0.19 | 6.8 |
| 171 | 3.570648 | -30.414662 | 1.89 ± 0.31 | 0.08 ± 0.02 | 20.59 ± 0.02 | 1.57 ± 0.03 | 6.3 |
| 581 | 3.803225 | -30.410330 | > 0.8 | -0.10 ± 0.03 | 22.37 ± 0.03 | 3.75 ± 0.19 | 7.5 |
| 632 | 3.593541 | -30.409719 | 1.46 ± 0.16 | -0.06 ± 0.02 | 20.71 ± 0.02 | 6.28 ± 0.56 | 5.9 |
| 041 | 3.808378 | -30.407279 | 2.10 ± 0.31 | -0.01 ± 0.03 | 20.96 ± 0.02 | 2.27 ± 0.07 | 6.4 |
| 1127 | 3.5801442 | -30.405039 | 1.89 ± 0.36 | 0.09 ± 0.03 | 21.07 ± 0.02 | 4.71 ± 0.38 | 6.4 |
| 1180 | 3.600068 | -30.404382 | 1.47 ± 0.26 | 0.23 ± 0.04 | 21.69 ± 0.03 | 4.81 ± 0.40 | 6.2 |
| 1192 | 3.578128 | -30.404494 | 1.23 ± 0.10 | 0.08 ± 0.01 | 20.33 ± 0.01 | 2.92 ± 0.14 | 6.1 |
| 1205 | 3.570082 | -30.403720 | > 0.8 | 0.15 ± 0.02 | 20.85 ± 0.02 | 1.95 ± 0.05 | 7.0 |
| 1206 | 3.601099 | -30.403956 | 2.09 ± 0.47 | 0.19 ± 0.03 | 20.99 ± 0.02 | 3.51 ± 0.22 | 6.5 |
| 1521 | 3.800541 | -30.401804 | 1.12 ± 0.22 | -0.03 ± 0.04 | 22.48 ± 0.03 | 3.04 ± 0.16 | 5.9 |
| 2276 | 3.808503 | -30.300974 | > 0.8 | 0.79 ± 0.07 | 20.47 ± 0.02 | 1.38 ± 0.02 | 7.4 |
| 2715 | 3.580140 | -30.385832 | > 0.8 | 0.74 ± 0.05 | 20.87 ± 0.02 | 2.06 ± 0.07 | 5.9 |
| 2770 | 3.606230 | -30.386646 | 1.32 ± 0.15 | 0.16 ± 0.02 | 20.51 ± 0.02 | 1.52 ± 0.03 | 5.5 |
| 3204 | 3.577055 | -30.391334 | 2.58 ± 0.07 | 0.22 ± 0.00 | 24.18 ± 0.00 | 5.82 ± 0.55 | 6.5 |
| 3458 | 3.600540 | -30.393106 | 0.91 ± 0.10 | 0.03 ± 0.02 | 20.75 ± 0.02 | 1.77 ± 0.05 | 6.0 |
| 3761 | 3.597850 | -30.395970 | > 0.77 | 0.38 ± 0.03 | 22.21 ± 0.03 | 2.78 ± 0.10 | 6.7 |
| Target | R.A. (J2000) | Dec (J2000) | Y_{105} | J_{125} | J_{125} | H_{110} | H_{110} |
| 2070 | 3.604522 | -30.380463 | 1.07 ± 0.03 | 0.30 ± 0.02 | 20.23 ± 0.01 | 1.47 ± 0.02 | 8.35 |



First results from the Frontier Fields
disappointing

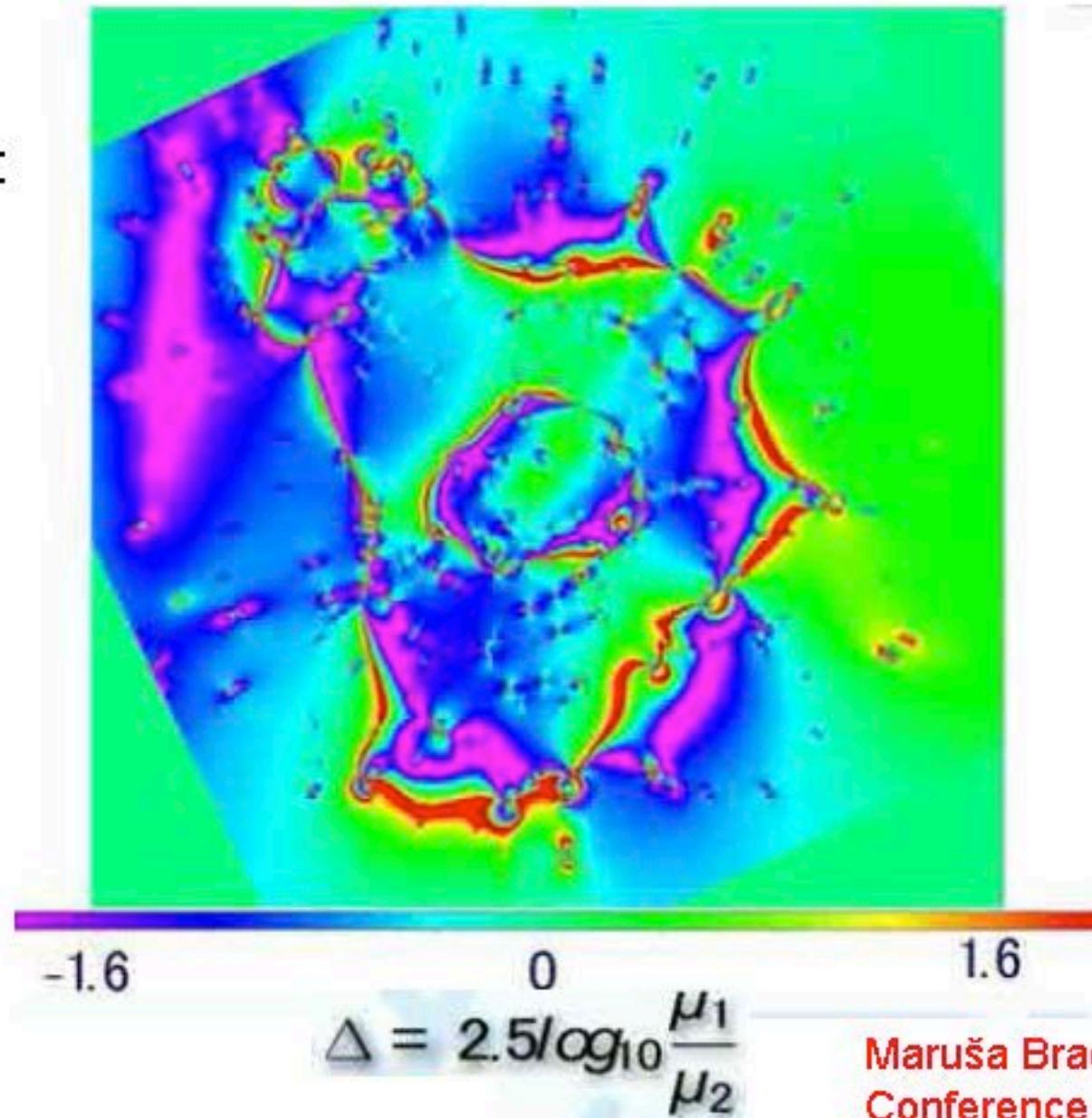
Only 1 $z > 8$ candidate in the first cluster

$z \sim 7$ Luminosity Function consistent with
UDF12 but no deeper



Magnification Uncertainties Across Abell 1689

Tom
Broadhurst
vs
Johan
Richard

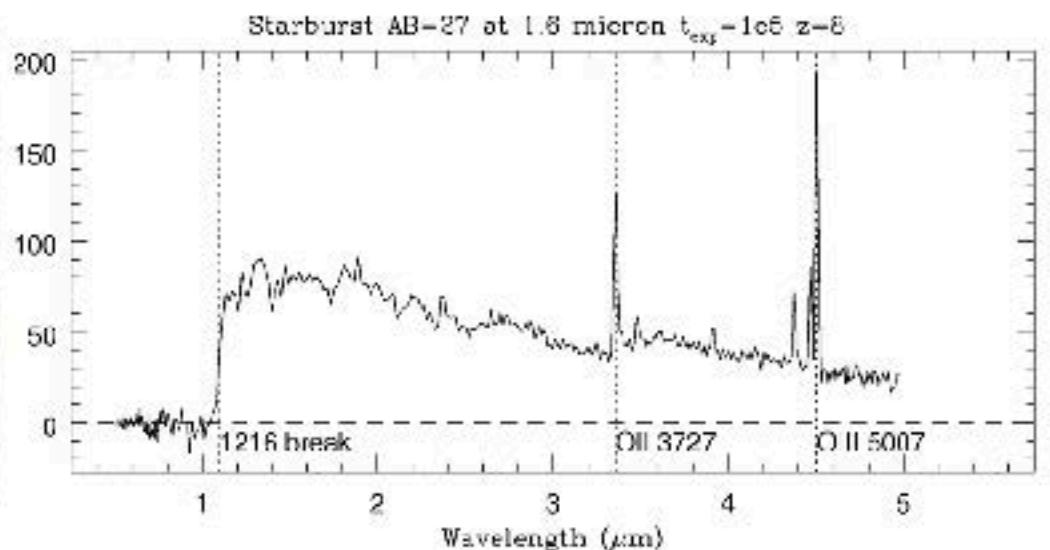


Spectroscopy with James Webb

NIRSpec Instrument



z=8 galaxy; 25 hour exposure



JWST provides access beyond 2 microns enabling us to

- Confirm faint end of $z \sim 7-8$ LF extends to $M_{UV} \sim -13$
- Confirm presence of earlier galaxies with $z > 12$ as predicted from UDF2012 analyses
- Search for pristine stellar populations via measures of metallicity

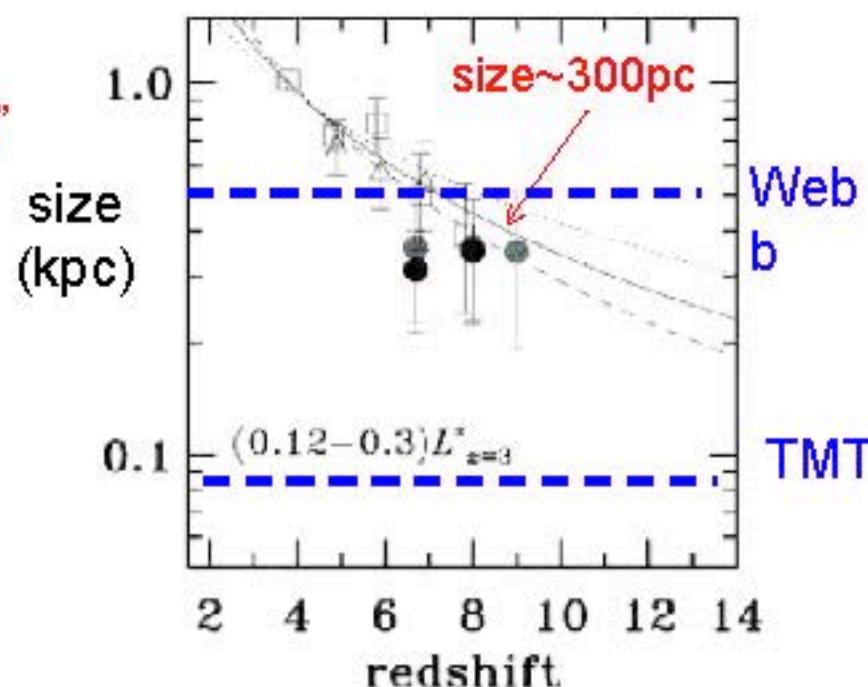
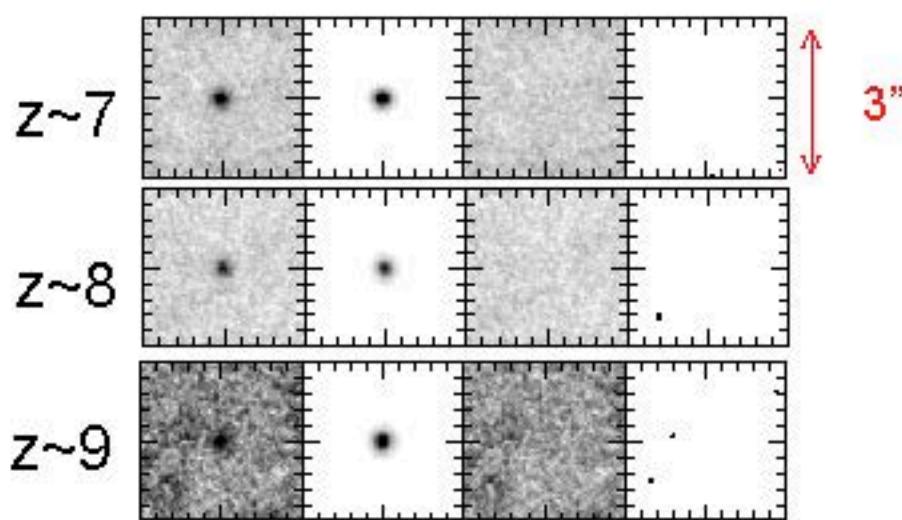
AO impacts JWST-TMT Synergy

TMT with AO will have better resolution than JWST – together with large aperture significantly changes space-ground synergy

- TMT optimal for studies of more abundant, fainter, smaller sources (AO gives $\times 10-100$ gain over JWST depending on size).
- JWST optimal for $\lambda > 2 \mu\text{m}$ spectroscopy



Image stacks for sub- L^* galaxies



Conclusions

Exciting time for $z > 7$ studies: HST, Spitzer & Keck in vanguard!

1. Decline in visibility of Lyman α over $6.5 < z < 8$ suggests neutral era begins in this redshift range: working to extend this test with larger samples using MOSFIRE
2. UDF2012 data has provided first census of galaxies beyond $z \sim 8.5$, continued decline in SFH to $z \sim 10$ in agreement with lensed studies
3. Deeper higher fidelity data provides improved $z \sim 7-8$ LFs
4. No evidence for unusually blue stellar populations; $z \sim 7-8$ galaxies are > 100 Myr old
5. Providing SF extends beyond $z \sim 10$ and in low L systems with moderate f_{esc} , galaxies can be main agent of reionization
6. Quantifying f_{esc} remains a challenge but detailed studies of outflowing low ionization gas in $z \sim 4-5$ LBGs offers a route forward
7. Implication: expect $z > 10$ galaxies will be found by JWST/TMT



Hubble Ultra Deep Field 2012
Hubble Space Telescope WFC3/IR

NASA and ESA

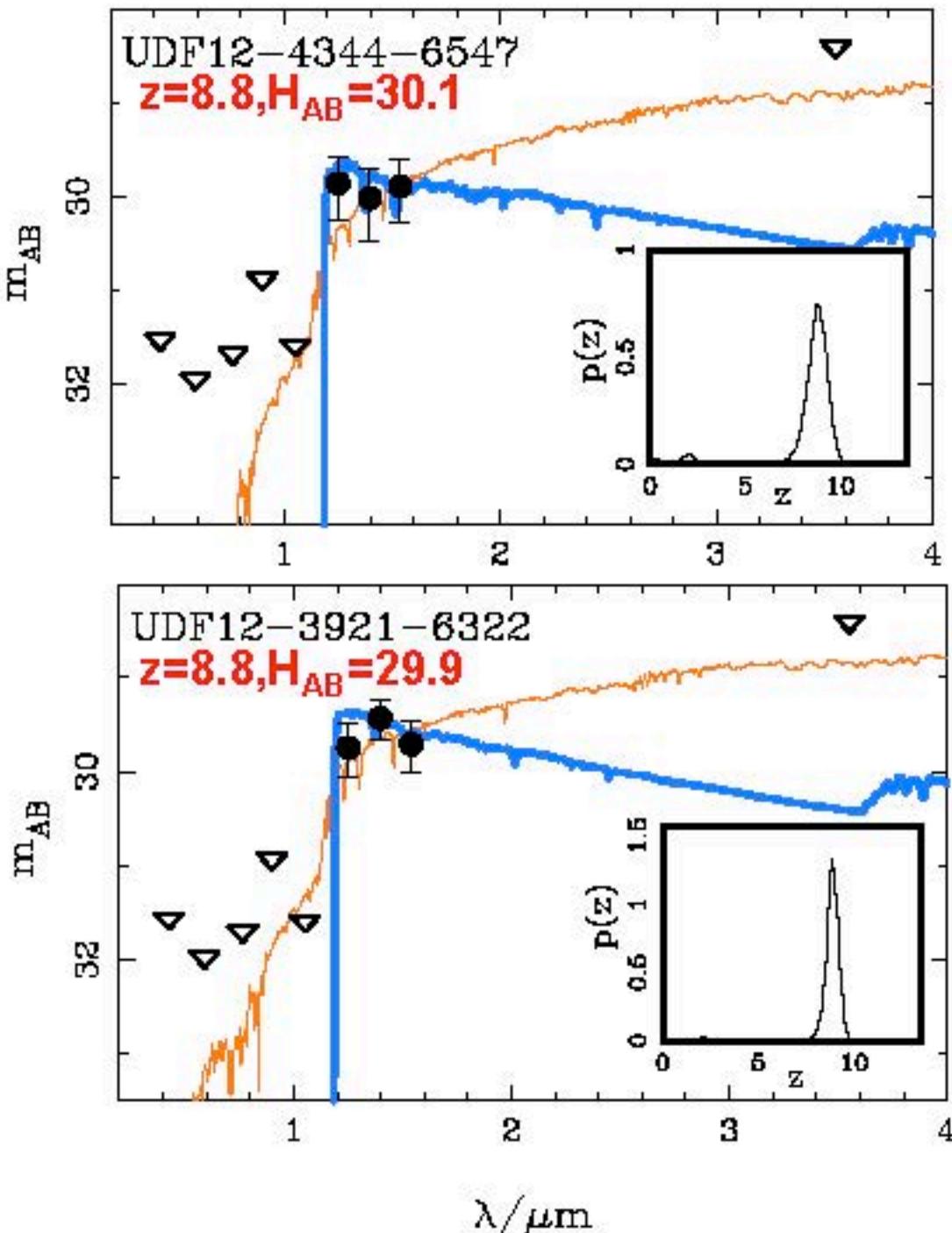
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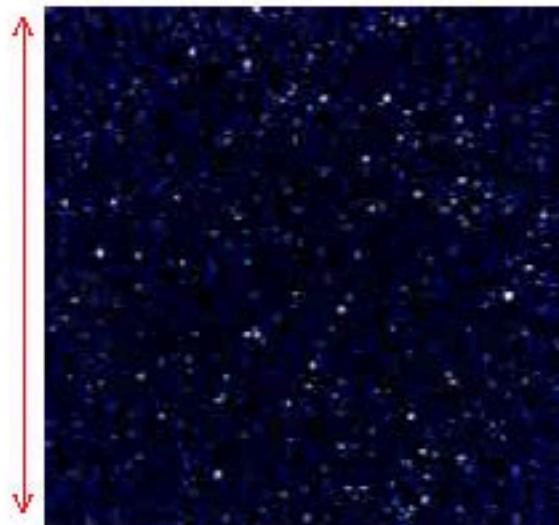
Photometric Redshifts

Using the combination of 4 optical and 4 infrared filters, the redshifts of individual galaxies can be estimated for systems well beyond current spectroscopic reach.

Prior to UDF 2012, foreground contamination was a big issue.



ALMA Cycle 1 UDF program

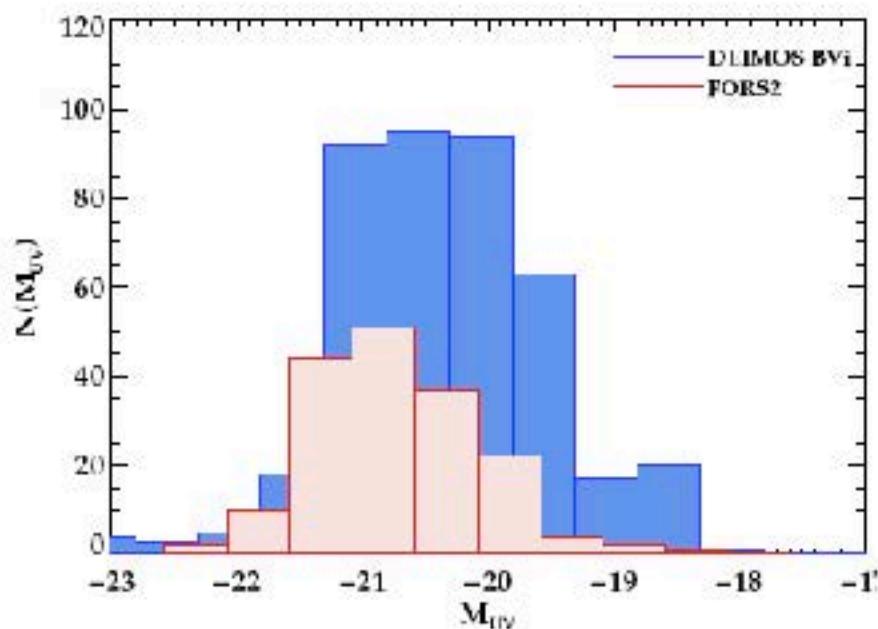


Approved Cycle 1 UDF program (PI:
Dunlop; 20 hrs, Band 6)

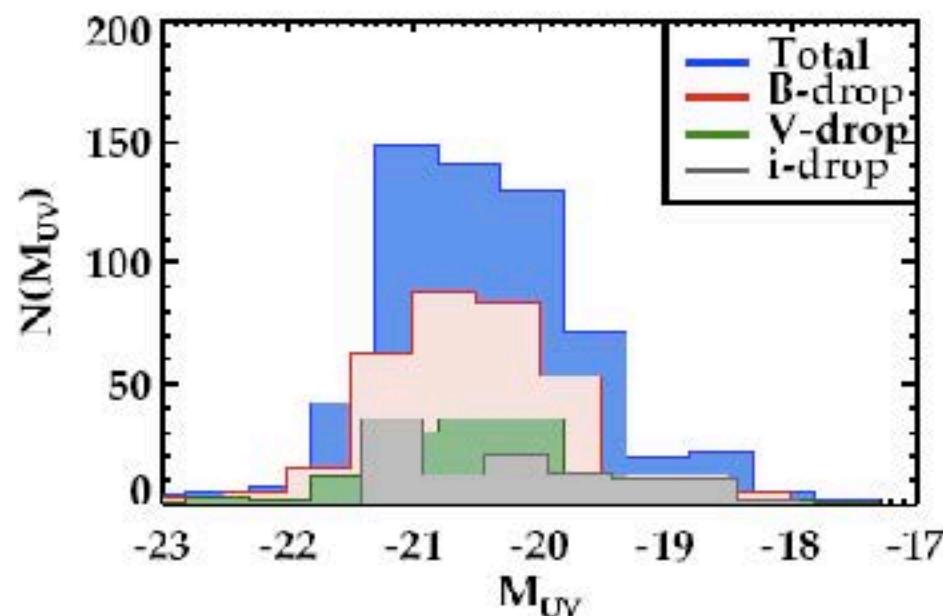
- 1.3mm depth: 0.12 mJy
(20x fainter than AzTEC)
- ~50-100 sources over $2 < z < 8$ for sources with HST-based photo-z's
- $N(z)$ depends critically on UV vs far-IR SFR

Extending the Luminosity Range for $z > 4$

Keck c.f. VLT



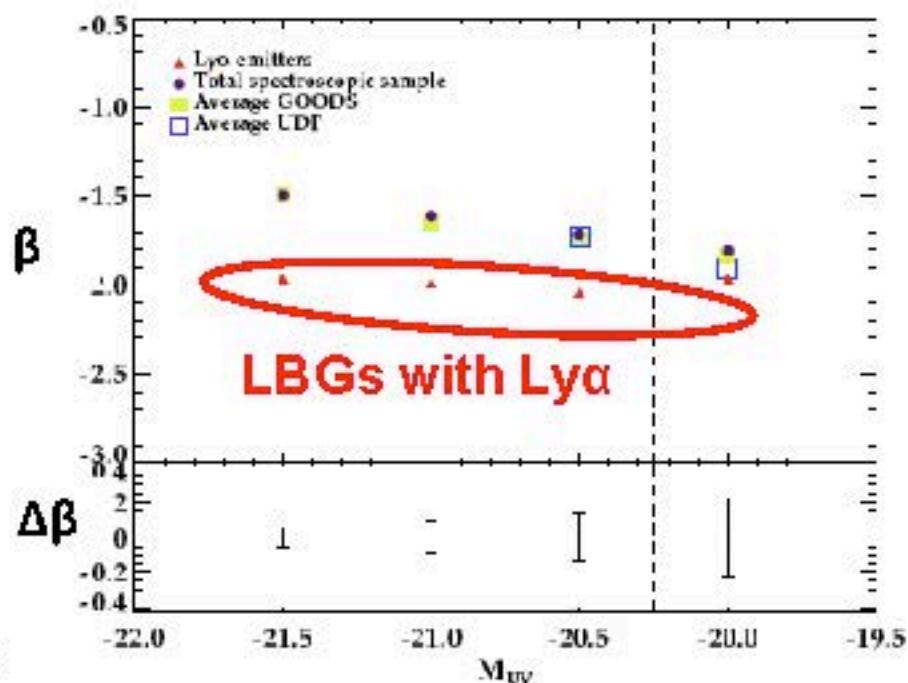
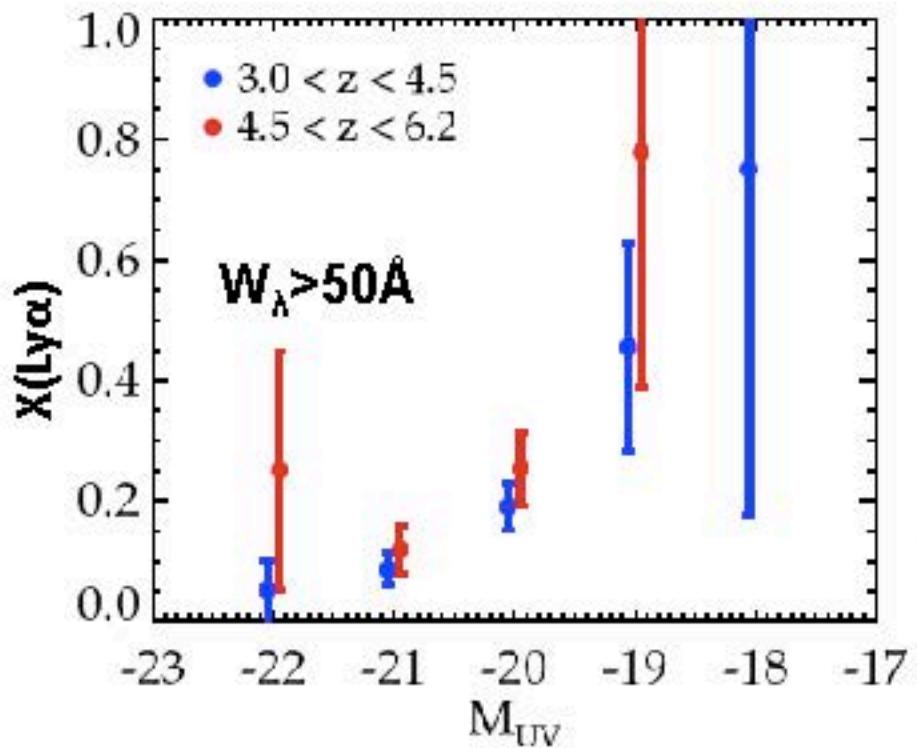
Luminosity distributions $4 < z < 7$



Important to extend the luminosity range to probe sources more typical of those contributing to reionization at $z > 6$

Via larger Keck aperture & longer exposures we have pushed $\sim 1\frac{1}{2}$ mags fainter than VLT and maintained a reasonably uniform luminosity range over $3 < z < 7$ so we can reliably examine evolutionary changes

$\text{Ly}\alpha$ fraction with UV luminosity and color



- Ly α stronger in lower luminosity galaxies (as found in $z \sim 3$ samples, Shapley et al 2003, Reddy et al 2009)
- Ly α also stronger in LBGs with bluer UV continua (as quantified via β parameter where $f_{\text{UV}} \sim \lambda^{\beta}$) suggesting the trends relate to presence/absence of dust.

LRIS/NIRSPEC Spectroscopy of 19 $z > 6.3$ Candidates

| ID | R.A. | Dec | z_{850} | J_{125} | H_{160} | μ^a | z_{phot} | t_{exp} [hr] | z | EW [Å] |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------------|
| LRIS | | | | | | | | | | |
| ERS 5847 ^{dh} | 03:32:18.0 | -27:43:01.4 | 26.6(0.1) ^b | 26.6(0.1) | 26.7(0.1) | - | 6.48 | 7 | | |
| ERS 7376 ^{dh} | 03:32:29.5 | -27:42:04.5 | 27.2(0.1) ^b | 27.0(0.1) | 27.0(0.1) | - | 6.79 | 7 | | |
| ERS 7412 | 03:32:10.0 | -27:43:24.0 | 26.9(0.1) ^b | 27.0(0.1) | 26.7(0.1) | - | 6.38 | 7 | | |
| ERS 8119 | 03:32:29.5 | -27:41:32.7 | 27.7(0.2) ^b | 27.1(0.1) | 27.5(0.1) | - | 6.78 | 7 | | |
| ERS 8290 | 03:32:13.4 | -27:42:30.9 | 27.3(0.1) ^b | 27.1(0.1) | 26.8(0.1) | - | 6.52 | 7 | | |
| ERS 8496 ^d | 03:32:29.7 | -27:40:49.9 | 27.2(0.1) ^b | 27.9(0.1) | 27.5(0.1) | - | 6.52 | 7 | 6.441 | 39 ± 10 |
| ERS 10270 | 03:32:29.5 | -27:42:54.0 | 28.1(0.1) ^b | 27.4(0.1) | 28.0(0.2) | - | 7.02 | 7 | | |
| ERS 10373 | 03:32:27.0 | -27:41:42.9 | 27.5(0.1) ^b | 27.4(0.1) | 27.8(0.2) | - | 6.44 | 7 | | |
| NIRSPEC | | | | | | | | | | |
| A1703_zD1 ^e | 13:14:59.4 | 51:50:00.8 | 25.8(0.2) | 24.1(0.1) | 24.0(0.1) | 9.0 | 6.76 | 2, | | |
| A1703_zDS ^e | 13:15:08.5 | 51:49:18.0 | 26.8(0.5) | 25.5(0.1) | 25.1(0.2) | 7.3 | 6.89 | 2,- | | |
| A1703_zD6 ^e | 13:15:01.0 | 51:50:04.3 | 27.9(0.5) | 25.8(0.1) | 25.9(0.1) | 5.2 | 7.02 | 5, 3 | 7.045 | 65 ± 12 |
| A1703_zD7 ^e | 13:15:01.3 | 51:50:06.1 | > 28.5 | 26.8(0.2) | 26.4(0.2) | 5.0 | 8.80 | 5, 3 | | |
| A2261_1 | 17:22:28.7 | 92:08:30.9 | > 28.6 | 26.9(0.1) | 27.3(0.1) | 3.5 | 7.81 | 5.7,- | | |
| BoRG_58_1787_1420 ^f | 14:36:50.6 | 50:43:33.6 | > 27.9 ^g | 25.8(0.1) | 25.9(0.2) | - | 8.27 | 2, 3 | | |
| ECS_K1 | 14:19:24.2 | 62:48:36.2 | > 27.8 ^g | 25.3(0.1) | 26.4(0.1) | - | 8.27 | 2.5, | | |
| HUDF09_790 ^g | 03:33:09.1 | -27:51:55.4 | > 29.1 | 27.7(0.1) | 27.6(0.2) | - | 6.88 | 4.5,- | | |
| HUDF09_1584 ^g | 03:33:03.8 | -27:51:20.4 | 27.2(0.1) | 26.7(0.1) | 26.6(0.1) | - | 7.17 | 5.5,- | | |
| HUDF09_1596 | 03:33:03.8 | -27:51:19.6 | 27.3(0.1) | 26.8(0.1) | 26.8(0.1) | - | 7.46 | 5.5,- | 6.905? | 30 ± 15 |
| MS0451-03_10 | 04:54:08.8 | -3:00:29.1 | > 28.5 | 26.7(0.1) | 26.9(0.1) | 50 | 7.50 | 9.5,- | | |

Drawn from several WFC3 campaigns:

Early Release Science (ERS) in GOODS-S (Hathi et al)

BoRG Pure Parallel Survey (Trenti et al 2010)

UDF survey (Illingworth, Bouwens et al 2010, 2011)

CLASH lensing survey (Bradley et al 2011, Postman et al 2011)

plus 7 objects studied with FORS2 by Fontana et al (2010)

First Robust Census $8.5 < z < 12$

$z > 8.5$ Candidates

| ID | R.A. | Decl. | $z_{\text{spec}} (\pm 1\sigma)$ | I_{105W} | J_{125W} | J_{140W} | H_{160W} | Notes |
|----------------------|------------|-------------|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| 2012 Analysis | | | | | | | | |
| UDF12-3954-6284 | 3:32:39.54 | -27:46:28.4 | $11.9^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$ | >31.2 | >30.7 | >30.5 | 29.3 ± 0.2 | UDFj-39546284 B11 ^b |
| UDF12-4106-7304 | 3:32:41.06 | -27:47:30.4 | $9.5^{+0.4}_{-0.5}$ | >30.8 | >30.0 | 29.8 ± 0.3 | 29.7 ± 0.3 | |
| UDF12-4265-7049 | 3:32:42.65 | -27:47:04.9 | $9.5^{+0.4}_{-0.7}$ | >31.2 | 30.4 ± 0.6 | 29.9 ± 0.4 | 29.7 ± 0.4 | |
| UDF12-3921-6322 | 3:32:39.21 | -27:46:32.2 | $8.8^{+0.4}_{-0.2}$ | >31.2 | 29.9 ± 0.3 | 29.6 ± 0.3 | 29.9 ± 0.3 | |
| UDF12-4344-6547 | 3:32:43.44 | -27:46:54.7 | $8.8^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$ | >31.2 | 30.0 ± 0.3 | 30.1 ± 0.4 | 30.1 ± 0.3 | |
| UDF12-3895-7114 | 3:32:38.95 | -27:47:11.4 | $8.6^{+0.3}_{-0.6}$ | >30.9 | 30.4 ± 0.5 | 30.1 ± 0.3 | 30.1 ± 0.4 | |
| UDF12-3947-8076 | 3:32:39.47 | -27:48:07.6 | $8.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ | 31.0 ± 0.5 | 29.5 ± 0.2 | 29.0 ± 0.1 | 29.0 ± 0.1 | UDFy-39468075 B11 ^b |
| 2009 Analysis | | | | | | | | |
| UDFj-39546284 | 3:32:39.54 | -27:46:28.4 | $11.9^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$ | >31.2 | >30.7 | >30.5 | 29.3 ± 0.2 | B11 ^b $z \simeq 10.3$ |
| UDFj-38116243 | 3:32:38.11 | -27:46:24.3 | ... | >31.2 | >30.1 | 30.3 ± 0.5 | 30.0 ± 0.3 | B UDF09 ^c #1, B11 ^b #2 |
| UDFj-43696407 | 3:32:43.69 | -27:46:40.7 | $7.6^{+0.4}_{-0.6}$ | 31.0 ± 0.6 | >30.1 | 29.9 ± 0.3 | 29.5 ± 0.2 | B UDF09 ^c #2 |
| UDFj-35427336 | 3:32:35.42 | -27:47:33.6 | $7.9^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$ | >30.8 | 30.3 ± 0.4 | 30.2 ± 0.4 | 29.6 ± 0.2 | B UDF09 ^c #3 |
| UDFy-38135539 | 3:32:38.13 | -27:45:59.9 | $8.3^{+0.3}_{-0.1}$ | 30.1 ± 0.2 | 28.6 ± 0.1 | 28.5 ± 0.1 | 28.4 ± 0.1 | B11 ^b $8.5 < z < 9.5$ |
| UDFy-37796000 | 3:32:37.79 | -27:46:00.0 | $8.1^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$ | 29.8 ± 0.1 | 28.6 ± 0.1 | 28.7 ± 0.1 | 28.7 ± 0.1 | B11 ^b $8.5 < z < 9.5$ |
| UDFy-33436598 | 3:32:33.43 | -27:46:59.8 | $7.9^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$ | 30.3 ± 0.4 | 29.3 ± 0.2 | 29.4 ± 0.2 | 29.4 ± 0.1 | B11 ^b $8.5 < z < 9.5$ |

Only 1 of the 7 $z > 8.5$ galaxies was claimed $z > 8.5$ in shallower 2009 studies

Other $z > 8.5$ galaxies claimed in 2009 lie at lower redshift (or are not confirmed)

Changing Views on the z=11.9 Candidate...

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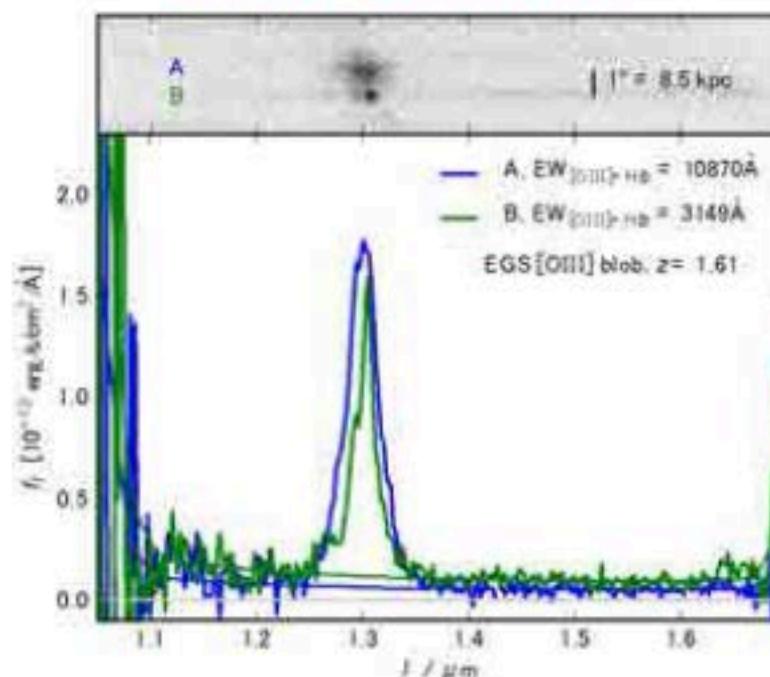
A TENTATIVE DETECTION OF AN EMISSION LINE AT $1.6\mu\text{m}$ FOR THE $z \sim 12$ CANDIDATE UDFj-39546284*

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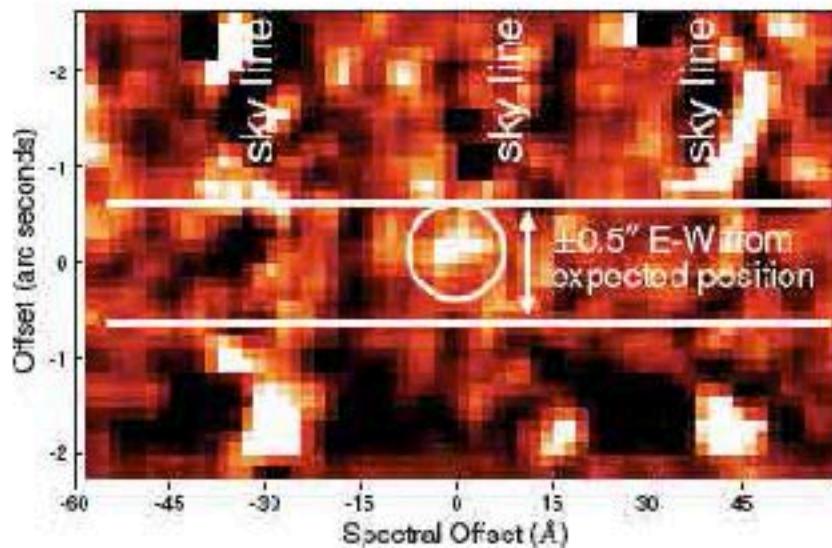
UDFj-39546284 $z=2.19?$

EGS-XEW-1 $z=1.61$



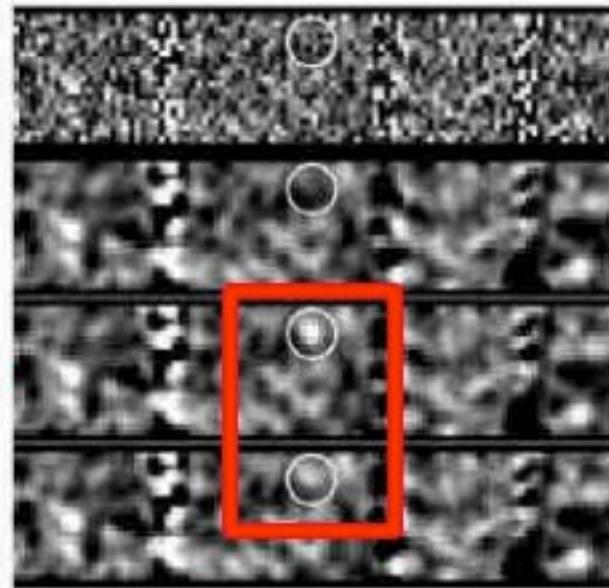
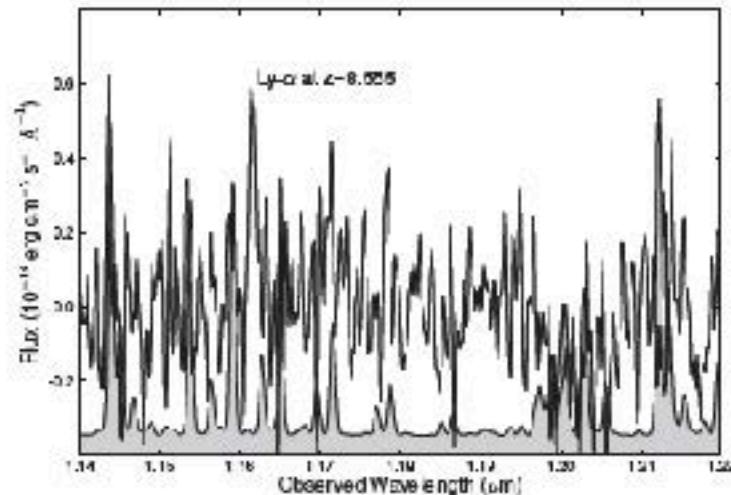
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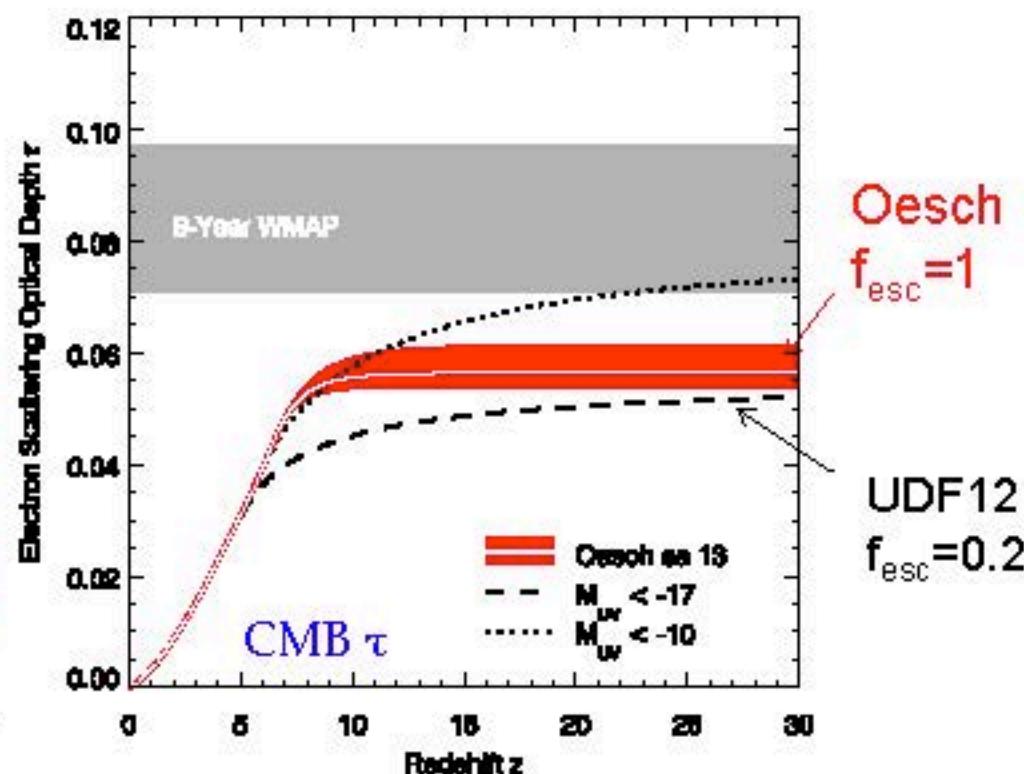
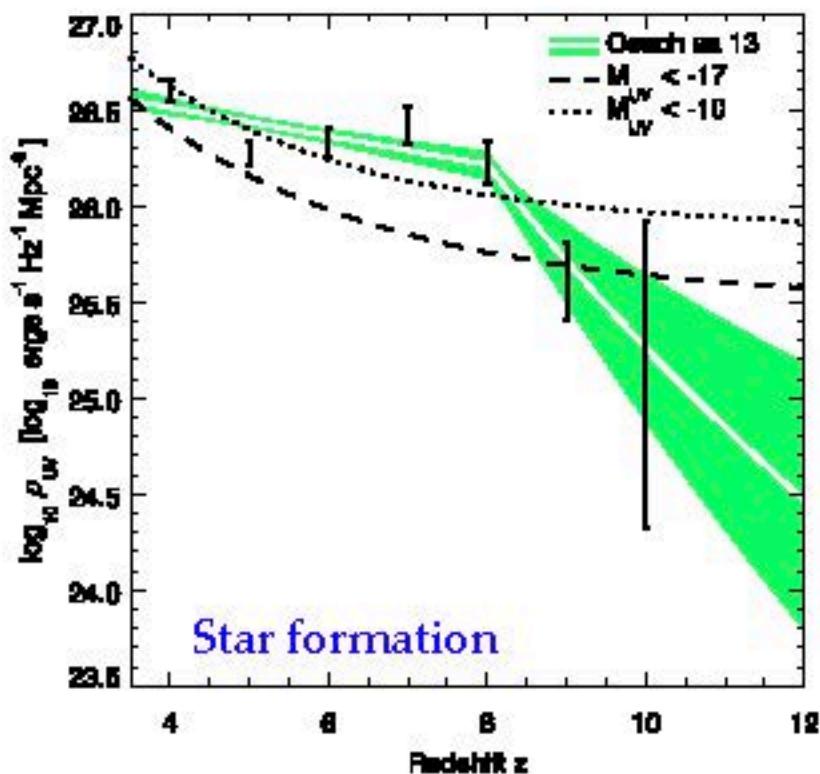
Lehnert et al (2010) VLT
SINFONI 14.8 hours R~2000
Claimed 6.0σ detection

Bunker et al (2011) VLT X-Shooter
5 hours R~5100
Expected $3.5\text{--}4.5\sigma$ detection



Importance of SF beyond z~10

- Bouwens et al (2011, 2012), Oesch et al (2013) propose a sharp downturn in SF beyond $z \sim 8$
- This produces a very rapid transition in x_{HI} at late epochs and fails to reproduce WMAP τ even with very high f_{esc}



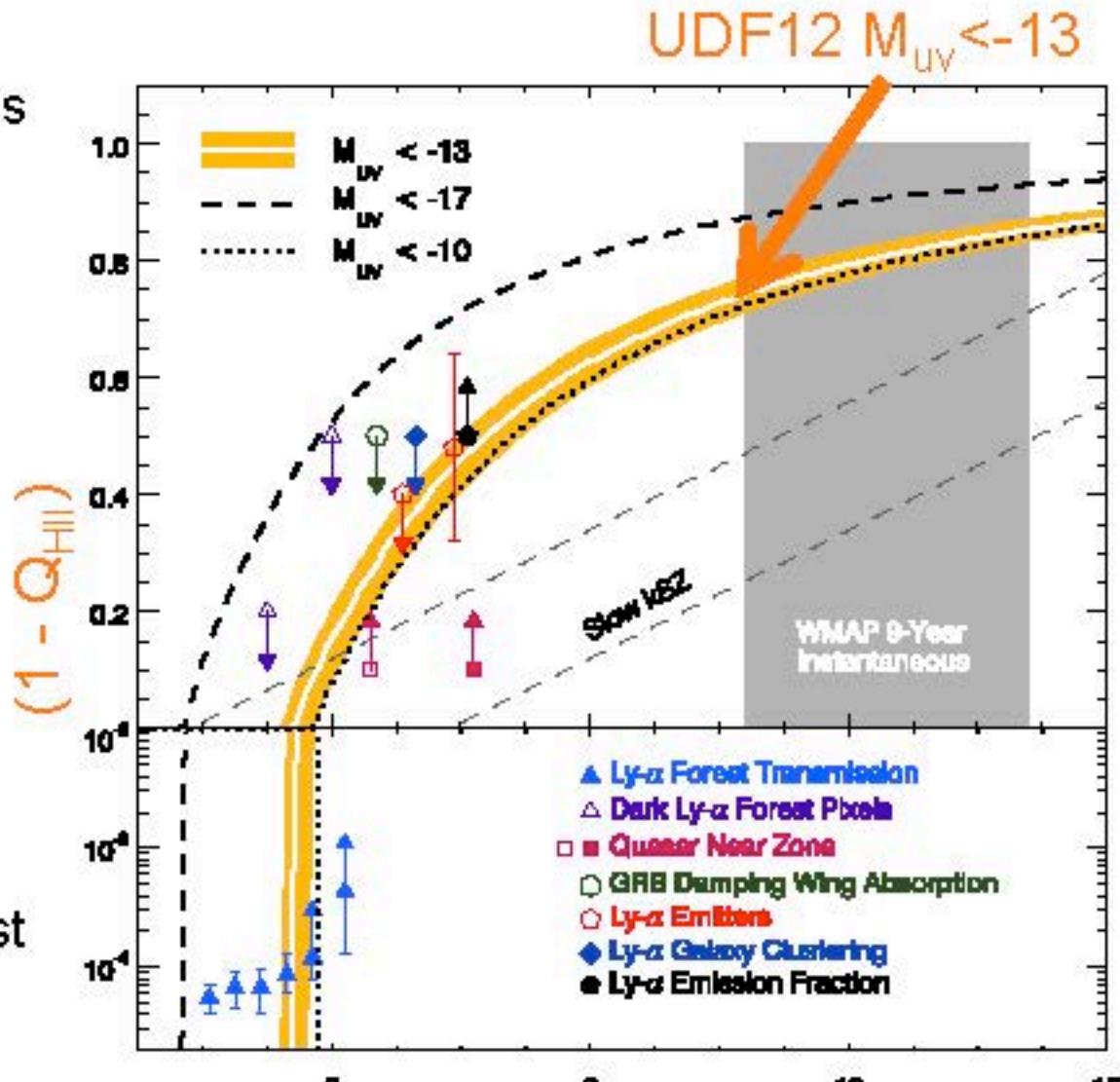
Comparison with Other Reionization Constraints

Empirical model matches various independent constraints for evolution of the neutral fraction:

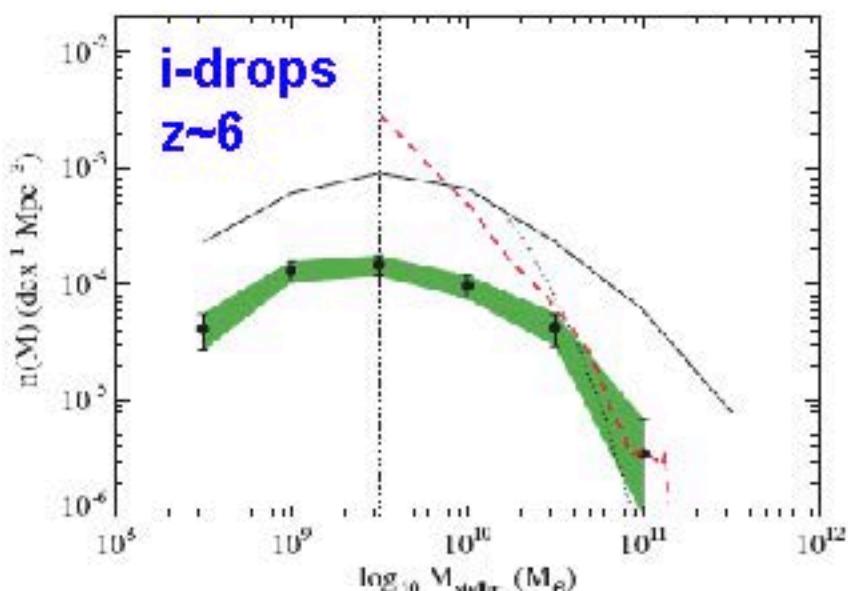
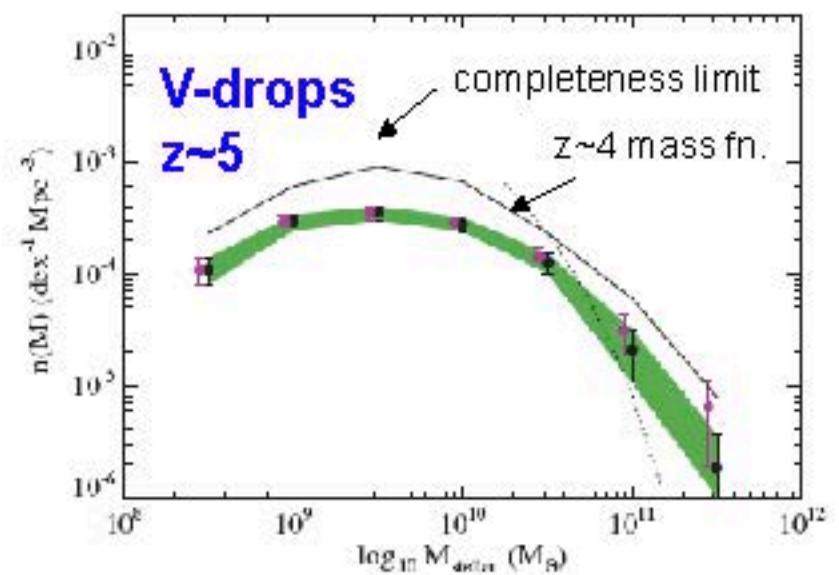
$$x_{\text{HI}} = (1 - Q_{\text{HII}})$$

in interval of rapid evolution $6 < z < 8$

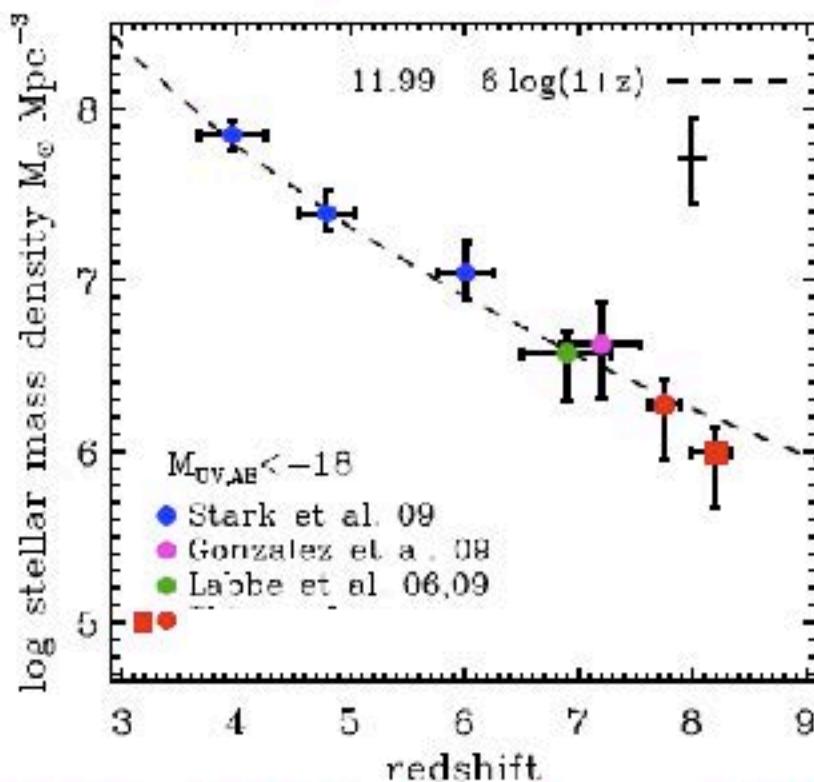
e.g. Ly α statistics in LBGs and LAEs, near zone in QSOs, Ly α forest in QSOs etc



Stellar Mass Density



Stark et al 2007, 2009



Labb   et al 2009, Gonzalez et al 2010

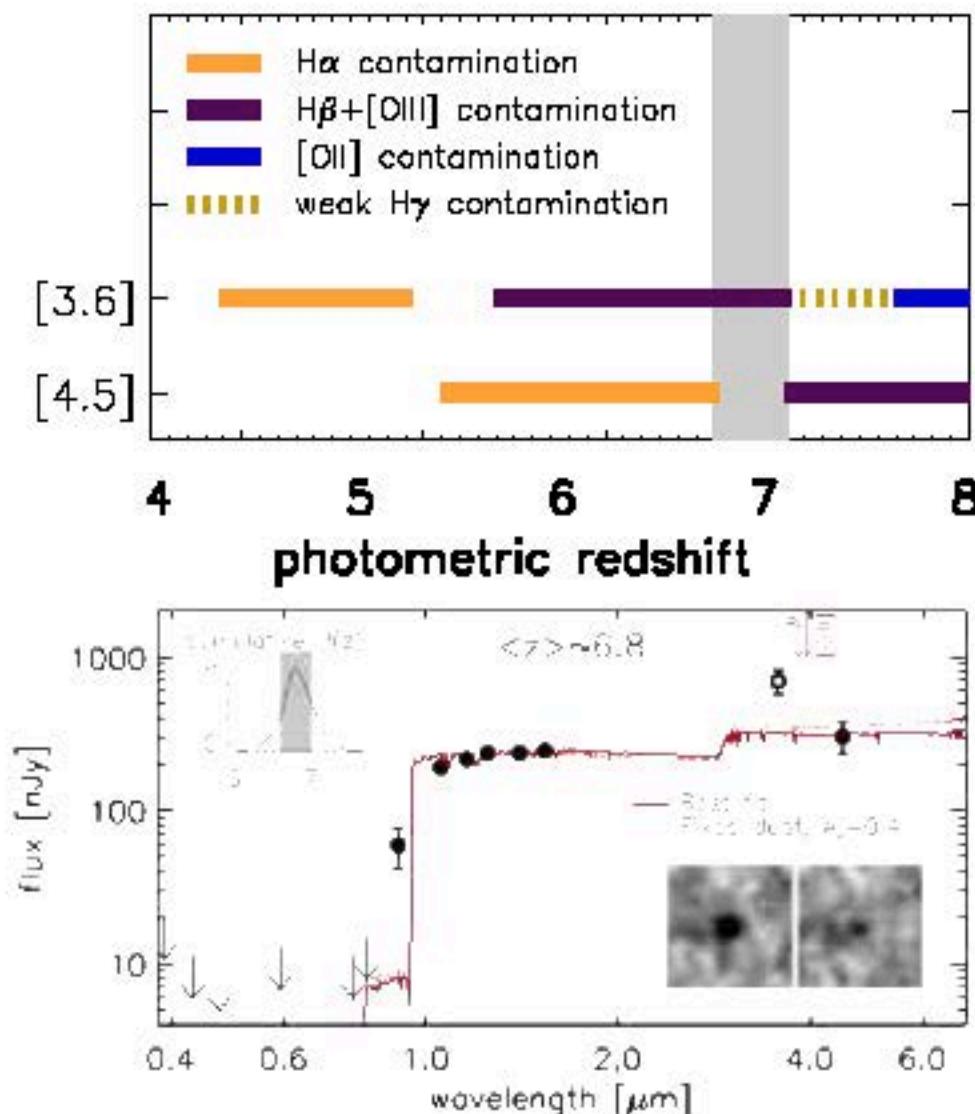
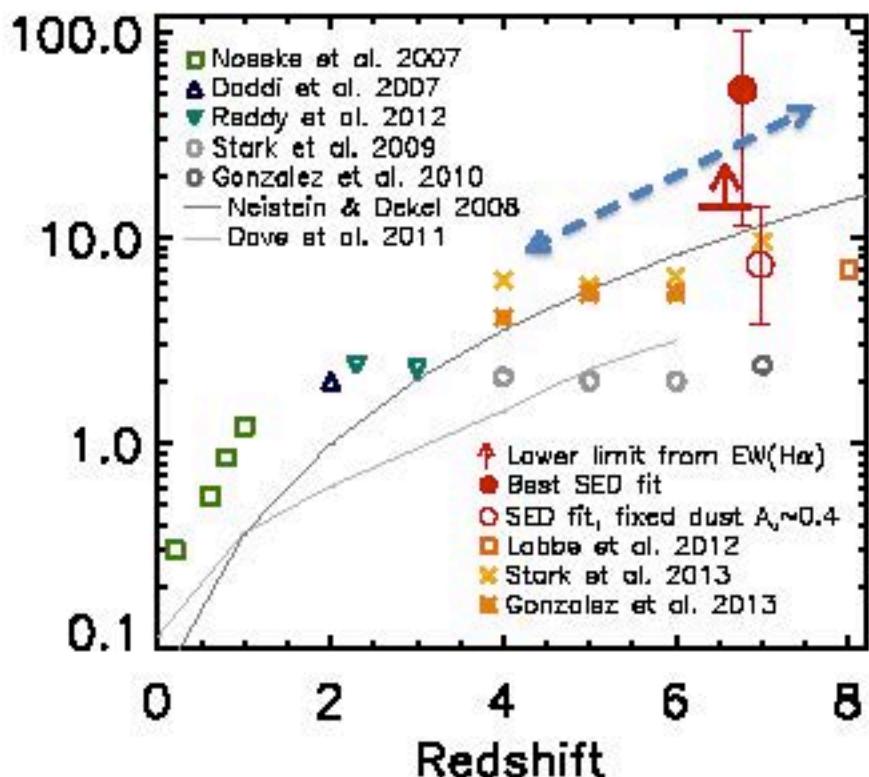
$$M_*(z) = \int_{z=5}^{z=10} \rho_*(z) dV(z)$$

Stellar mass density at $z \sim 5-6$ implies significant past SF

Nebular Emission at z~6.8

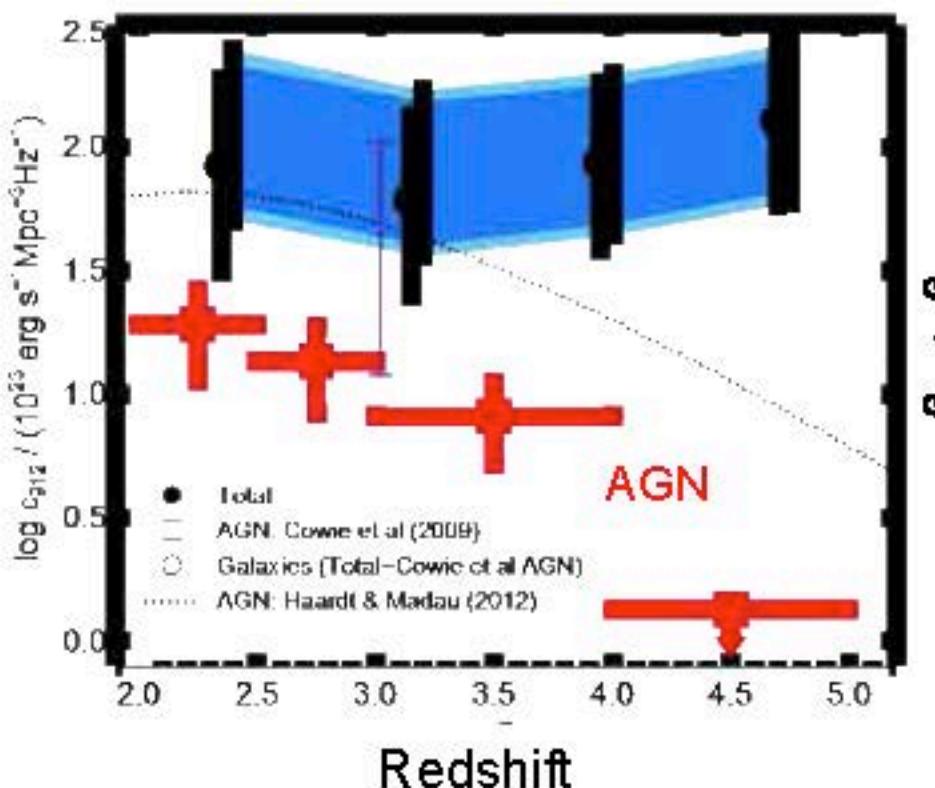
Same idea:

- SEDs of 7 lensed $6.6 < z < 7.0$ galaxies from CLASH survey where [O III] pollutes IRAC 3.6 μm band
- EWs $\sim 1000\text{\AA}$ produce a rising specific star formation rate with redshift consistent with theory

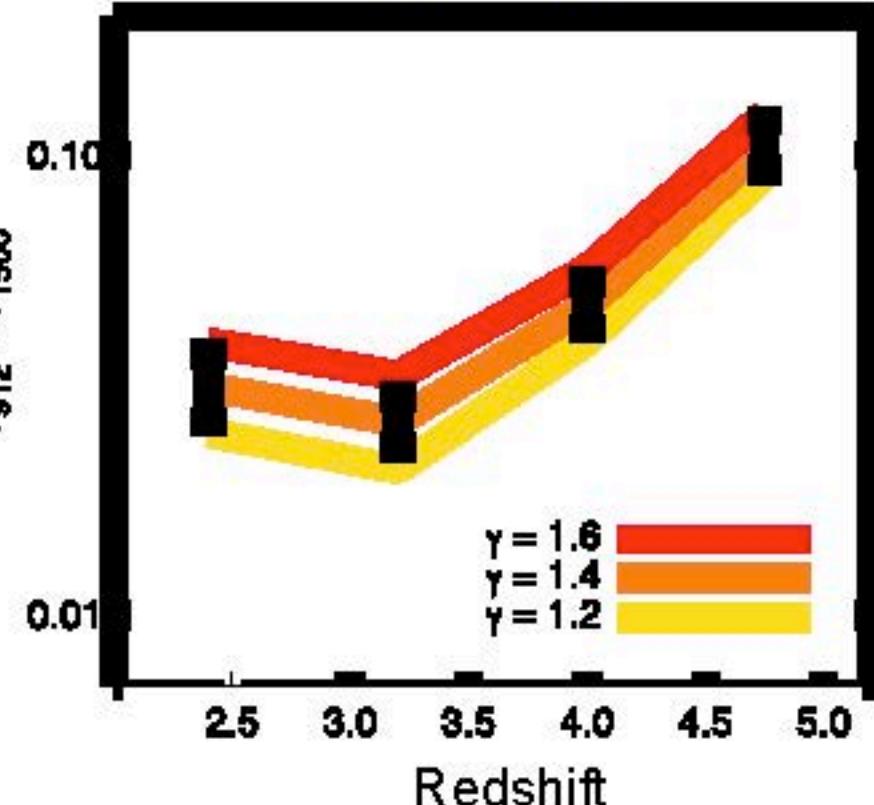


Evolving Emissivity of Galaxies from QSO Spectra

ϵ_{912} : emissivity at 912 Å

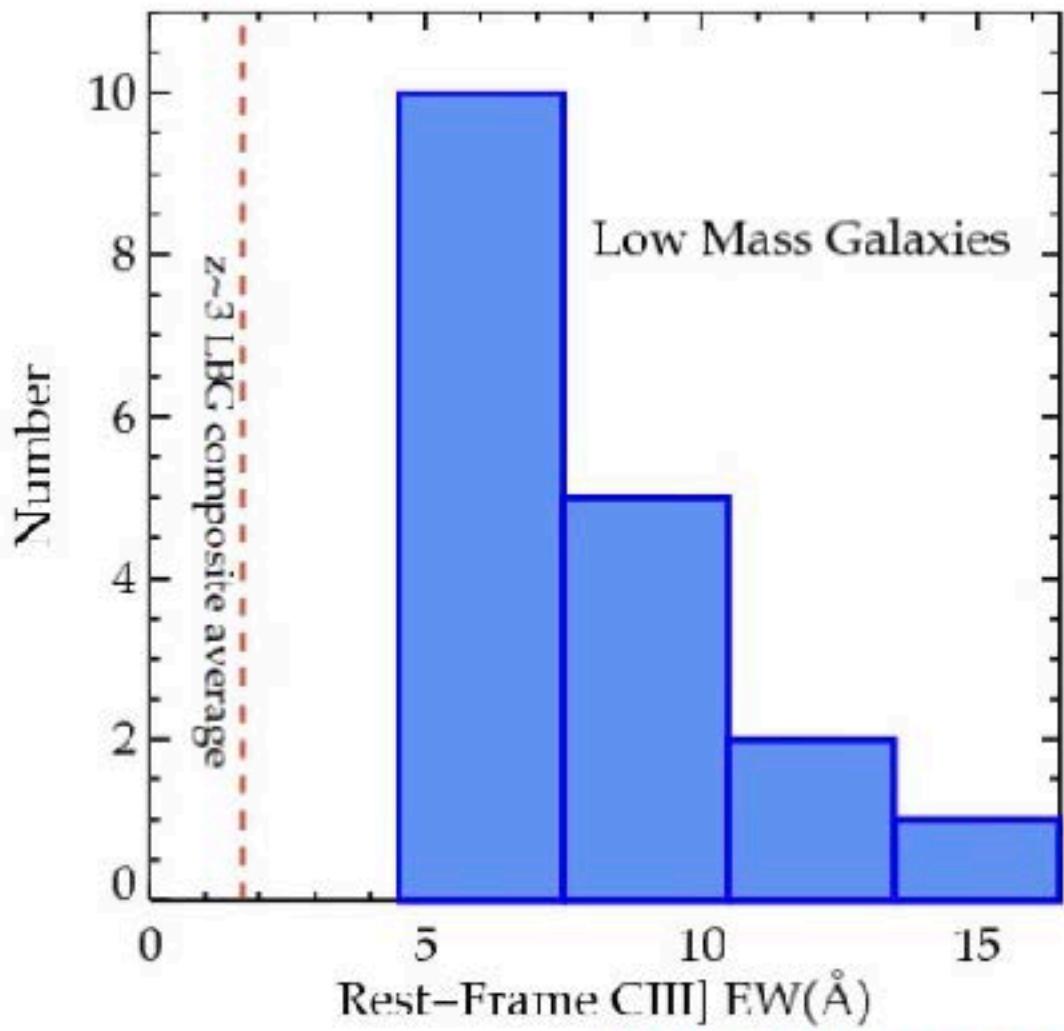


$\epsilon_{912} / \epsilon_{1500}$



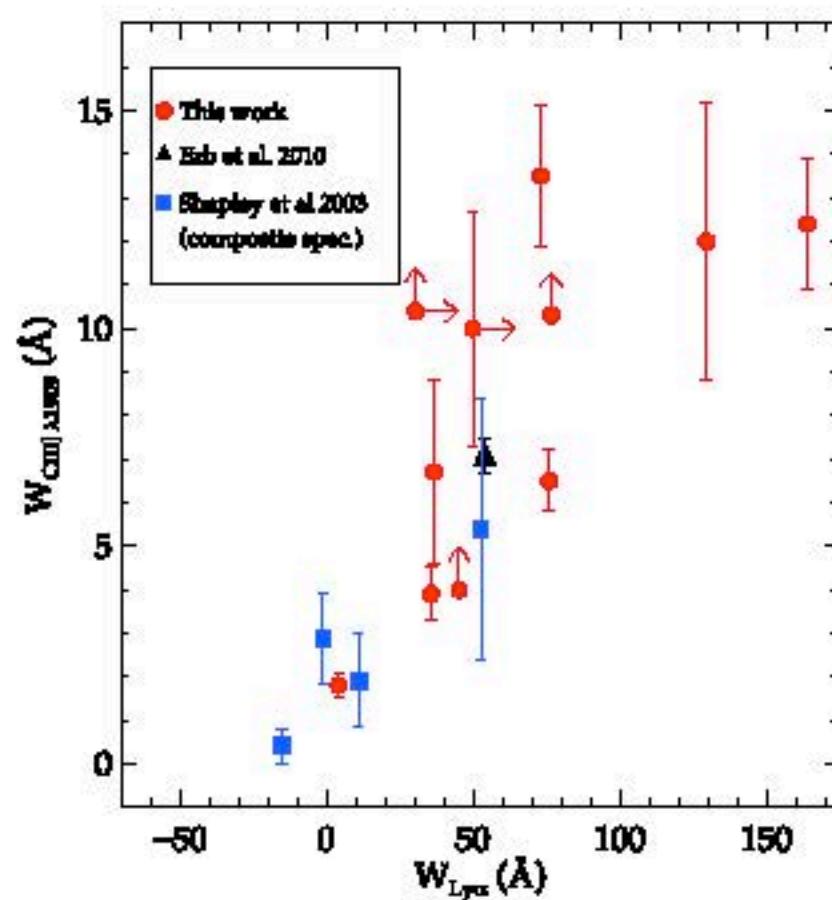
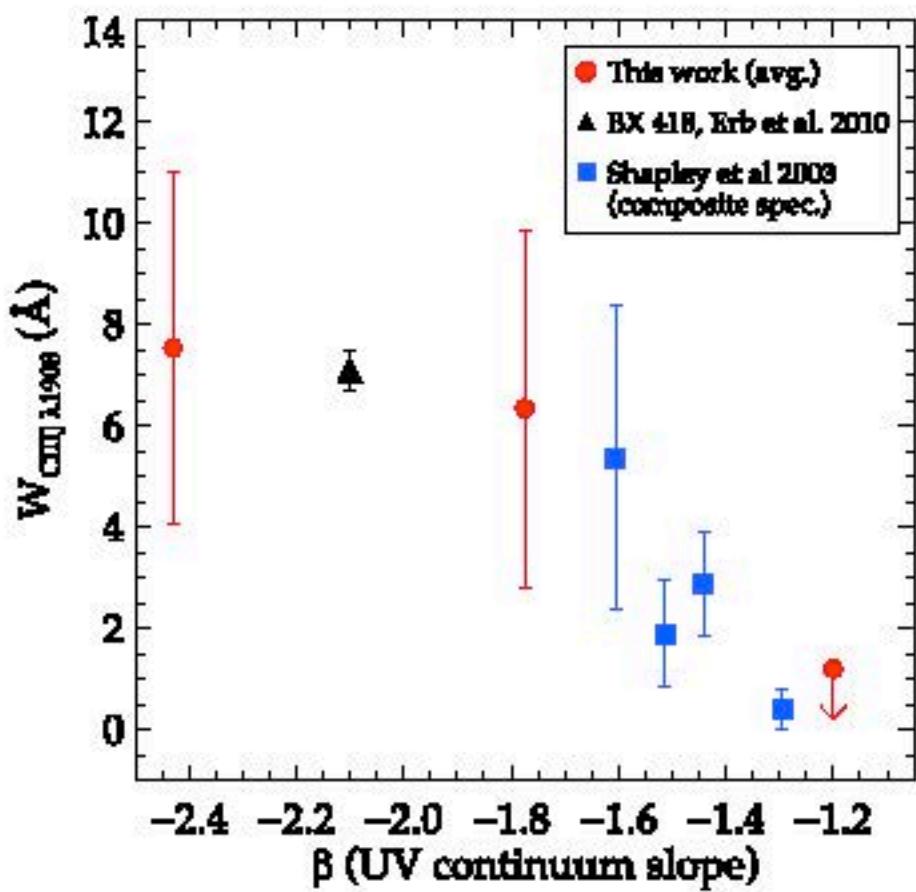
Ionizing emissivity ϵ_{912} (inferred from H ionizing rate Γ & T_{IGM} deduced from QSO spectra) increases with redshift when compared with UV emissivity of galaxies ϵ_{1500}

CIII] Lensed Galaxy EW Distribution

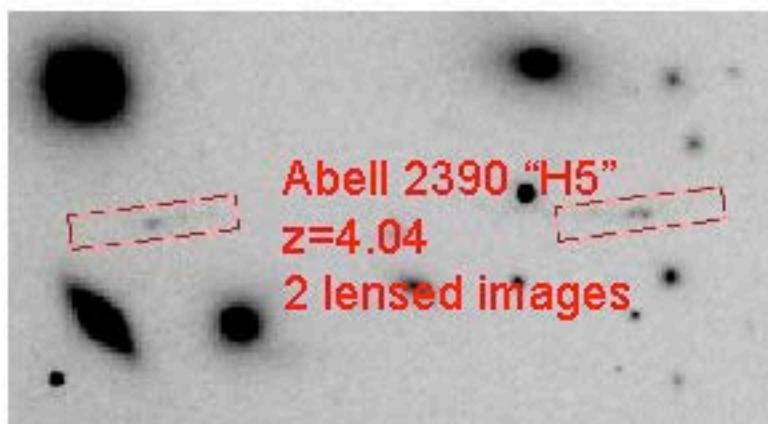


Stark, Richard, Siana et al (in prep)

CIII] EW vs UV Slope and Ly α



Higher Resolution Spectra of z~4 arcs



Abell 2390 "H5"
z=4.04
2 lensed images

Covering fraction f_c derived from average profile for all low ionization lines and a pair of ground state Si II lines with different f values

$$\tau = -\ln \left[\frac{I - I_0(1 - f_c)}{I_0 f_c} \right]$$

$$\tau = f \lambda \frac{\pi e^2}{m_e c} \times N$$

Covering fraction $f_c \sim 30\%$
Column density $N > 2 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
Outflow velocity up to $\sim 600 \text{ km/s}$

