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A Survey of Atomic Carbon [C1] in High-redshift Main-sequence Galaxies

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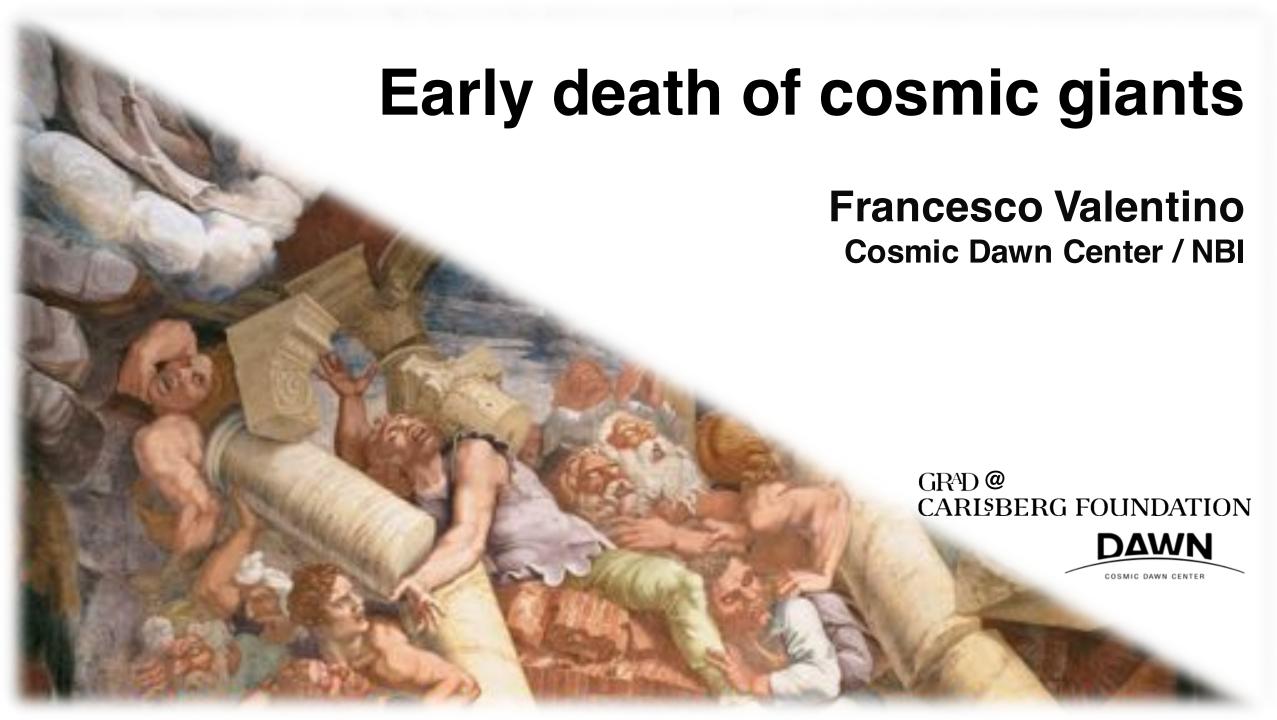
Valentino+2018, ApJ, 869, 27

The properties of the interstellar medium of galaxies across time as traced by the neutral atomic carbon [C I]

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Valentino+2019a (submitted)





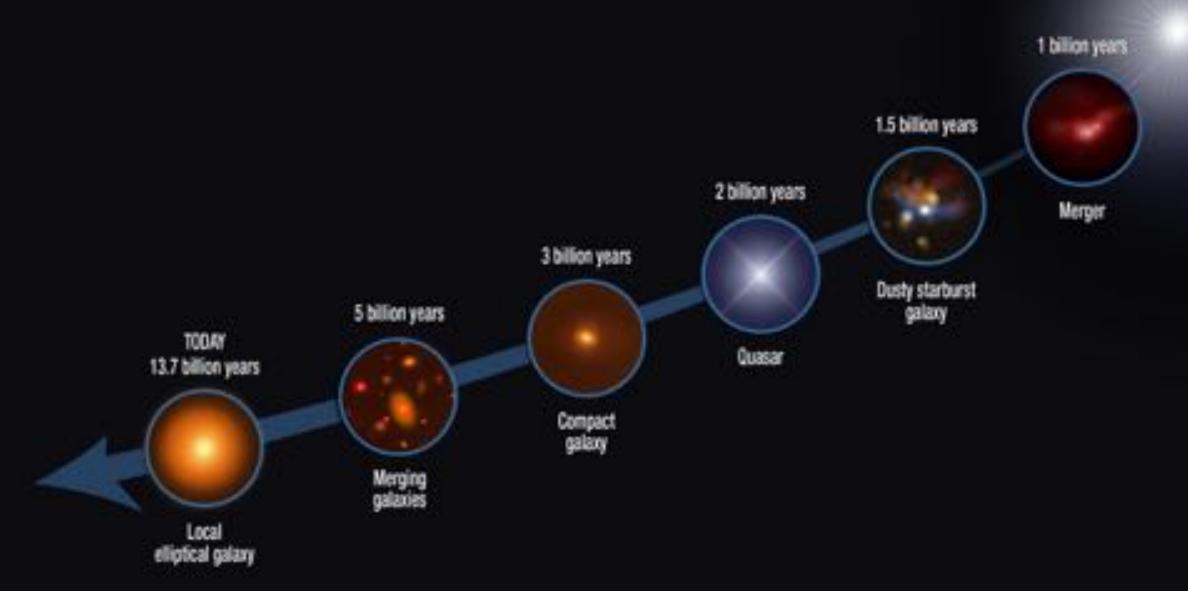


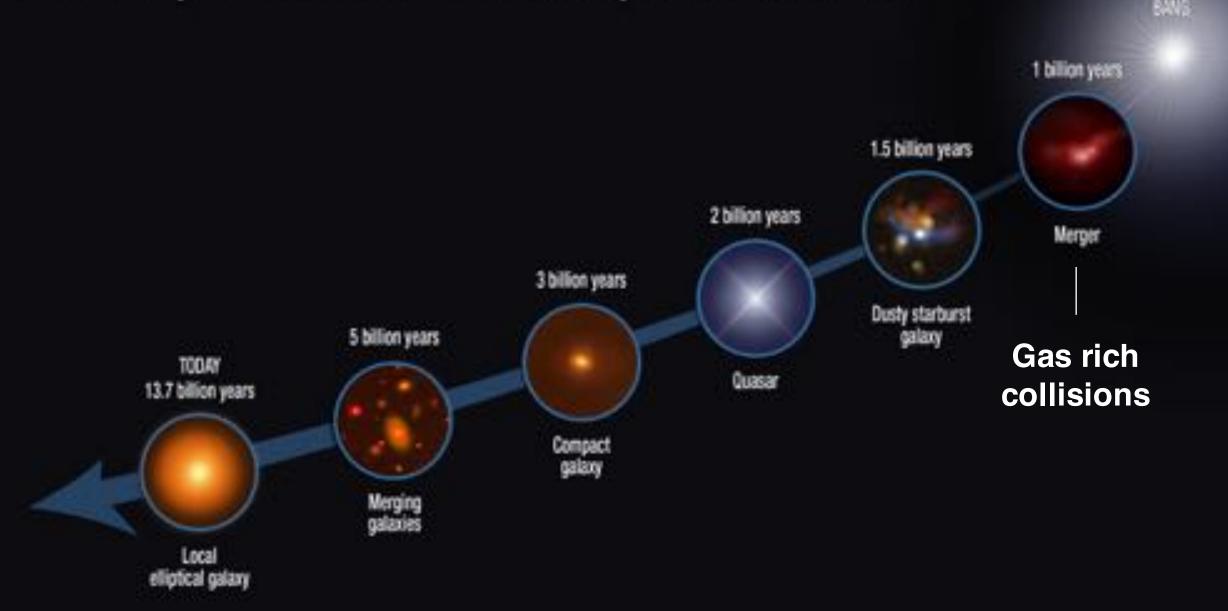


Cosmic giants:

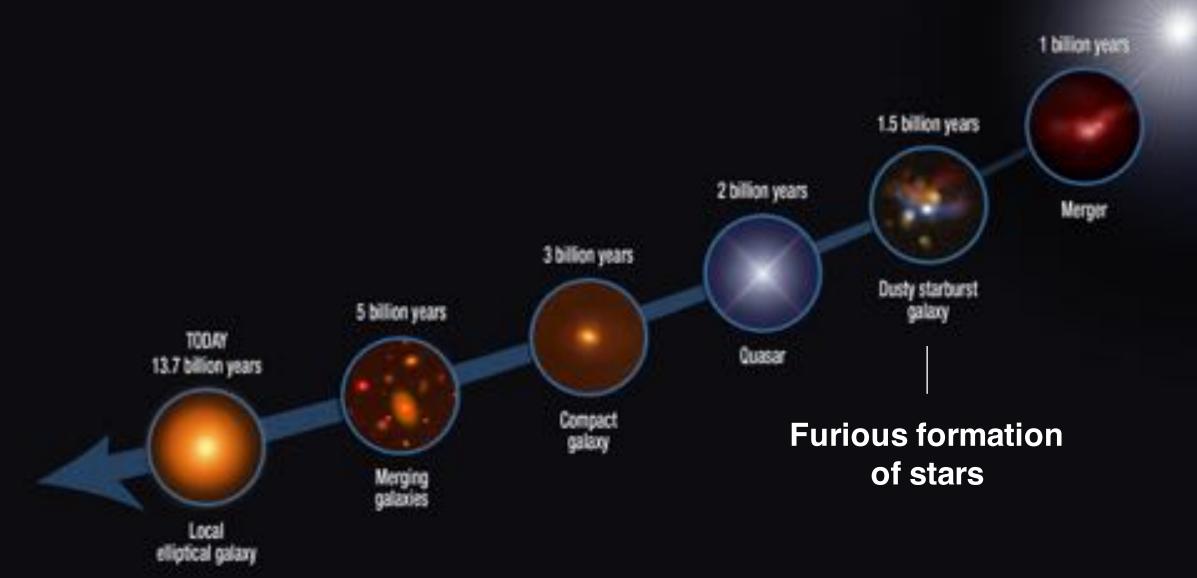
- Spheroidal shapes
- Red colors
- Largest single concentrations of stars (stellar masses of M_★ ≥ 10¹¹ M_☉)
- Old ages, high metallicities
- Very little or zero formation of new stars
- At the center of clusters and groups



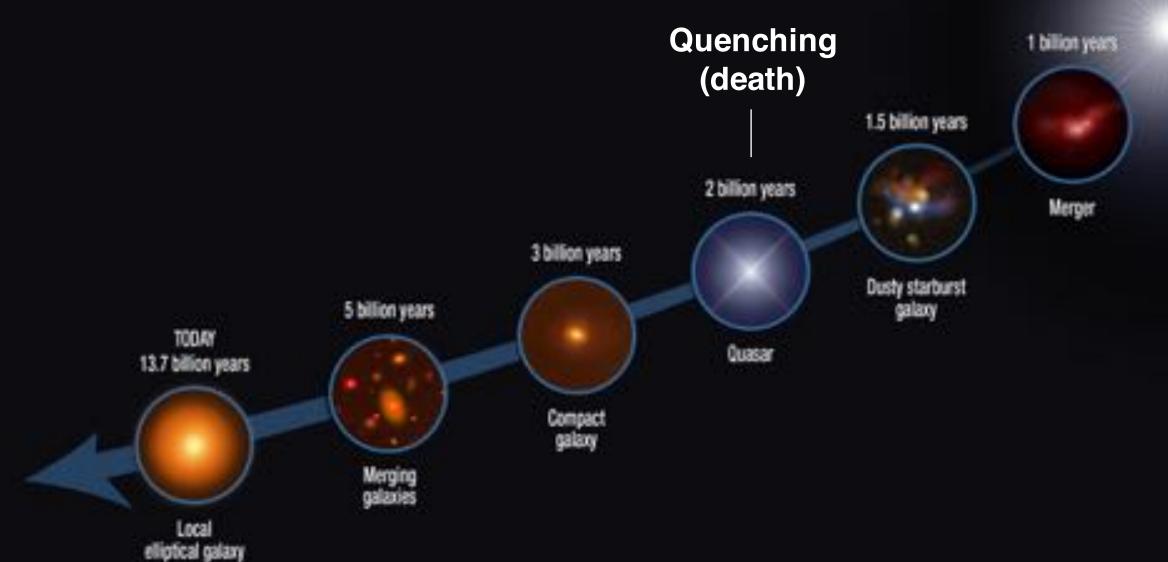


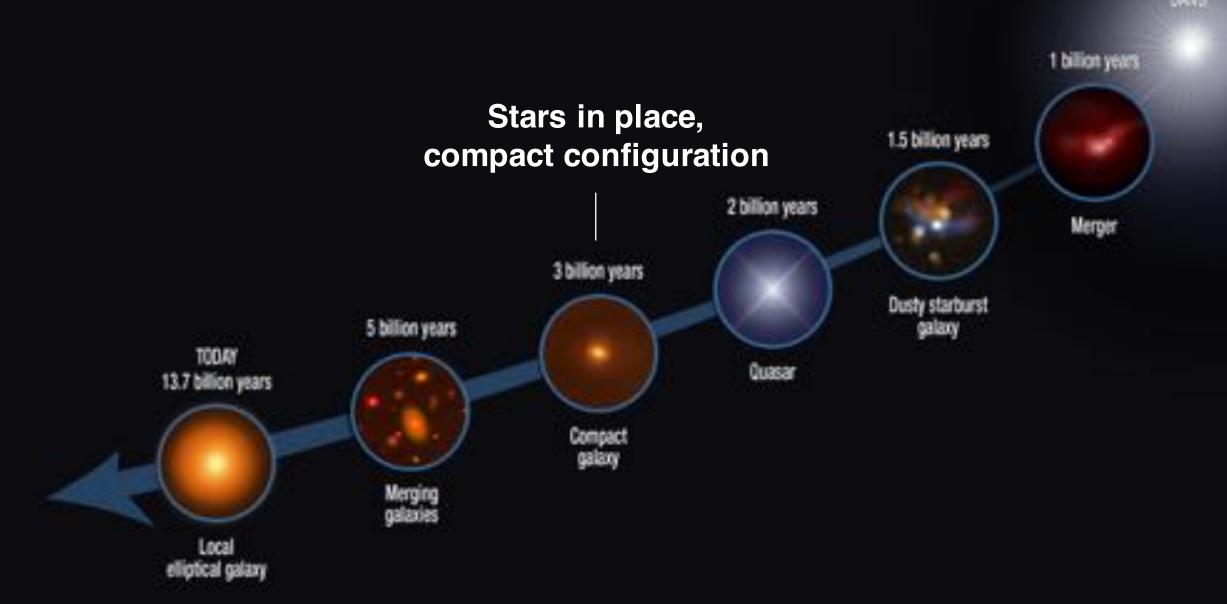




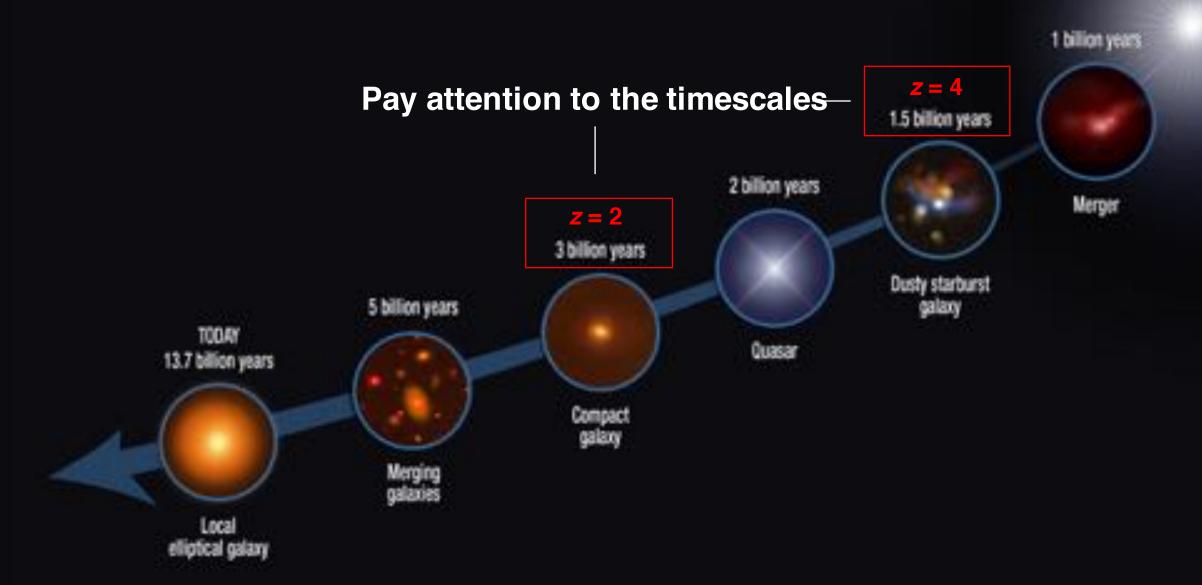


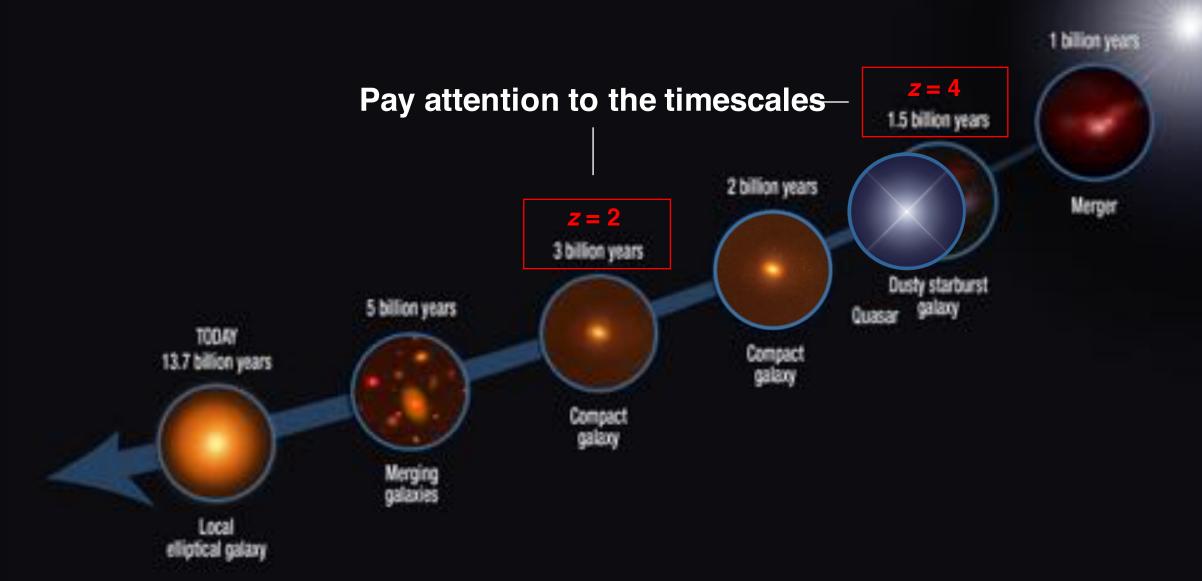


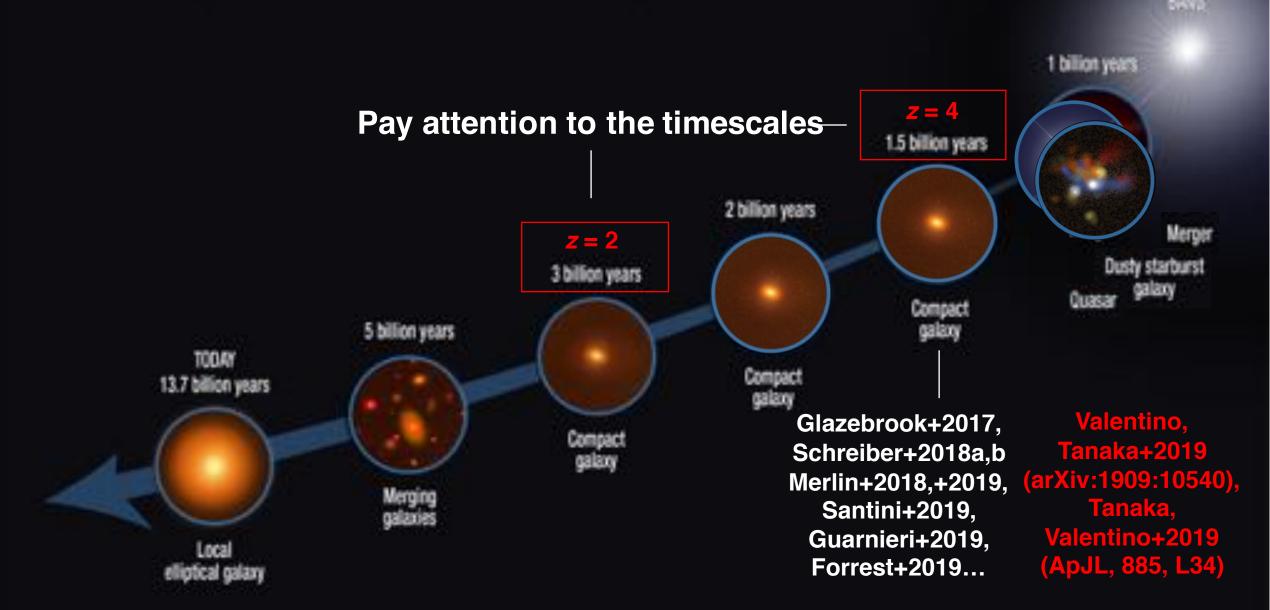




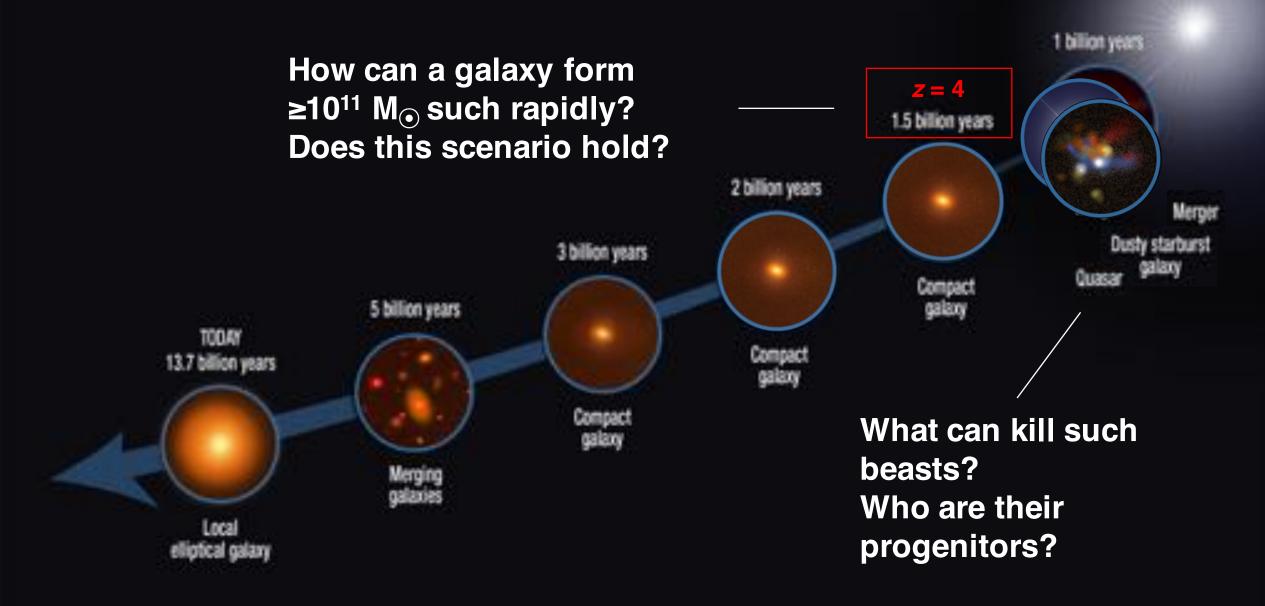




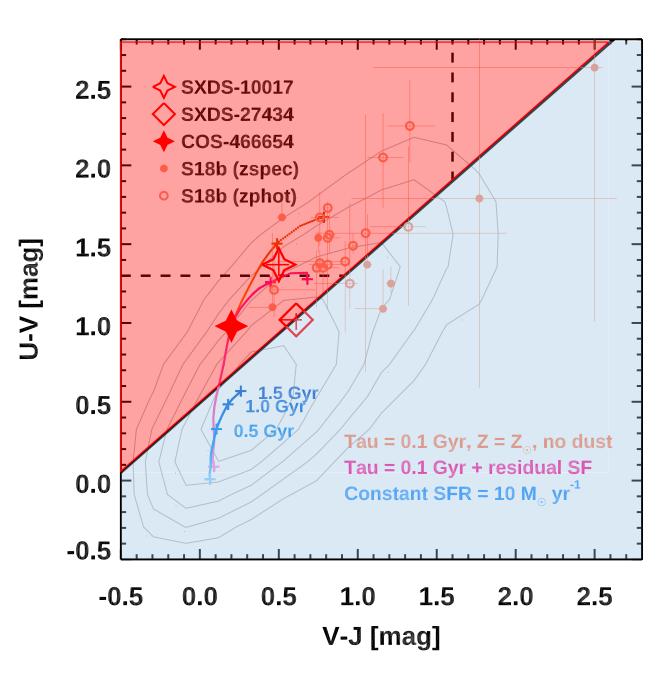




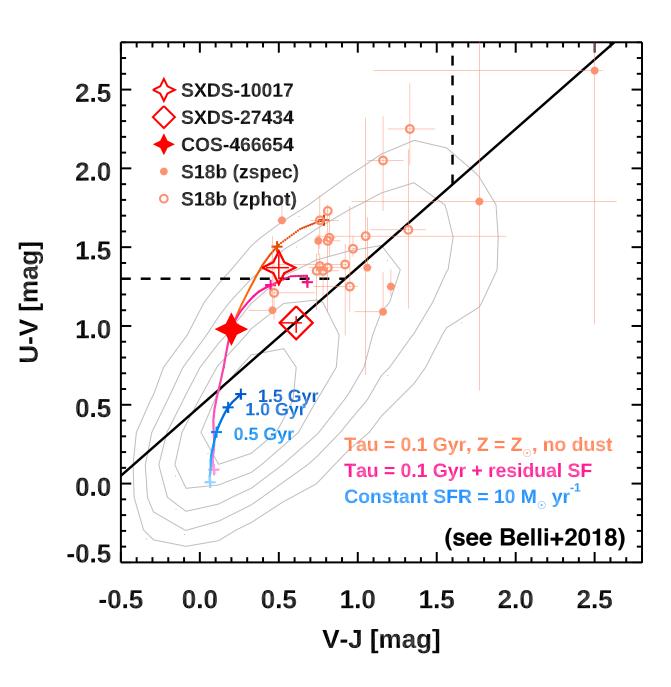




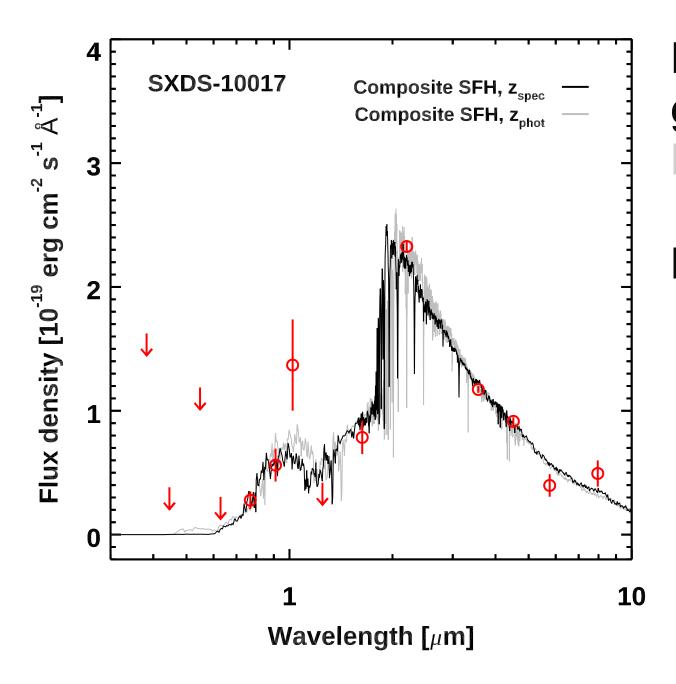




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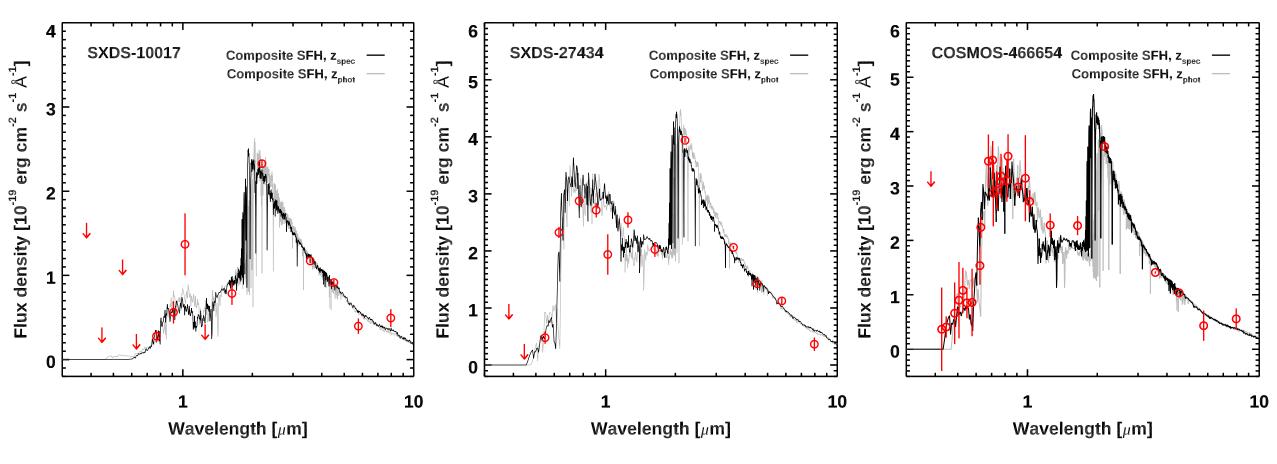


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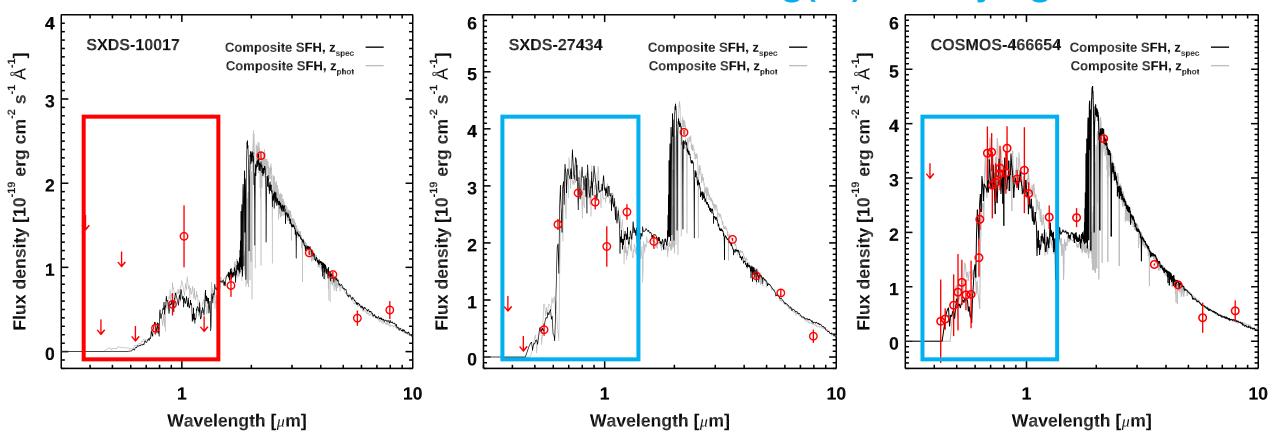
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- II. Modeling of the Spectral Energy Distribution (SED)

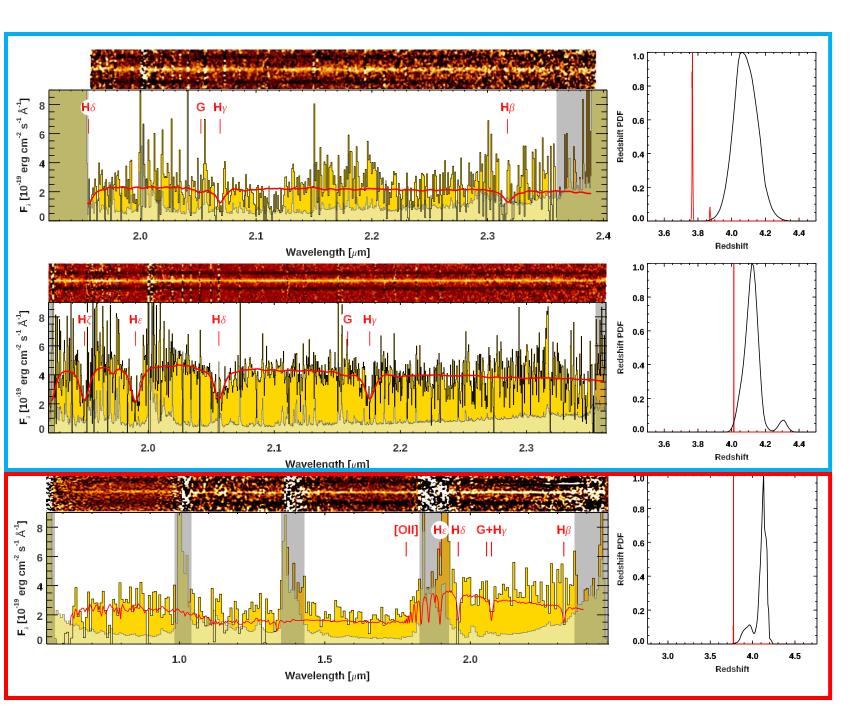


Old and dead

Young(er) and dying

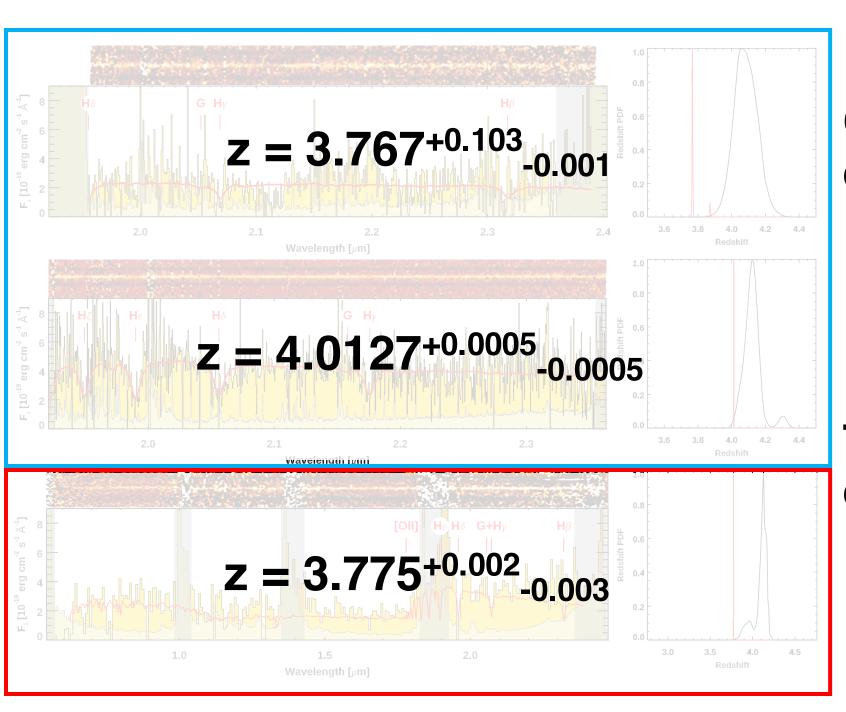






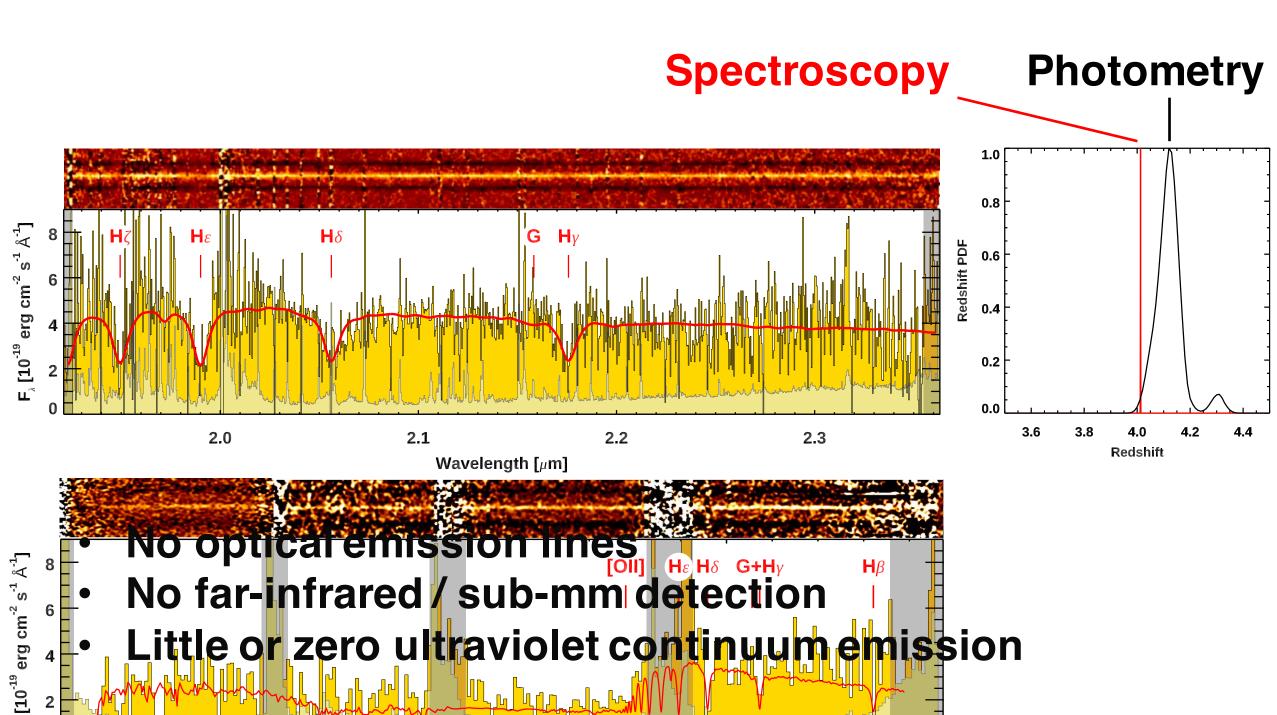
K-band spectroscopy with Keck/MOSFIRE and VLT/X-Shooter

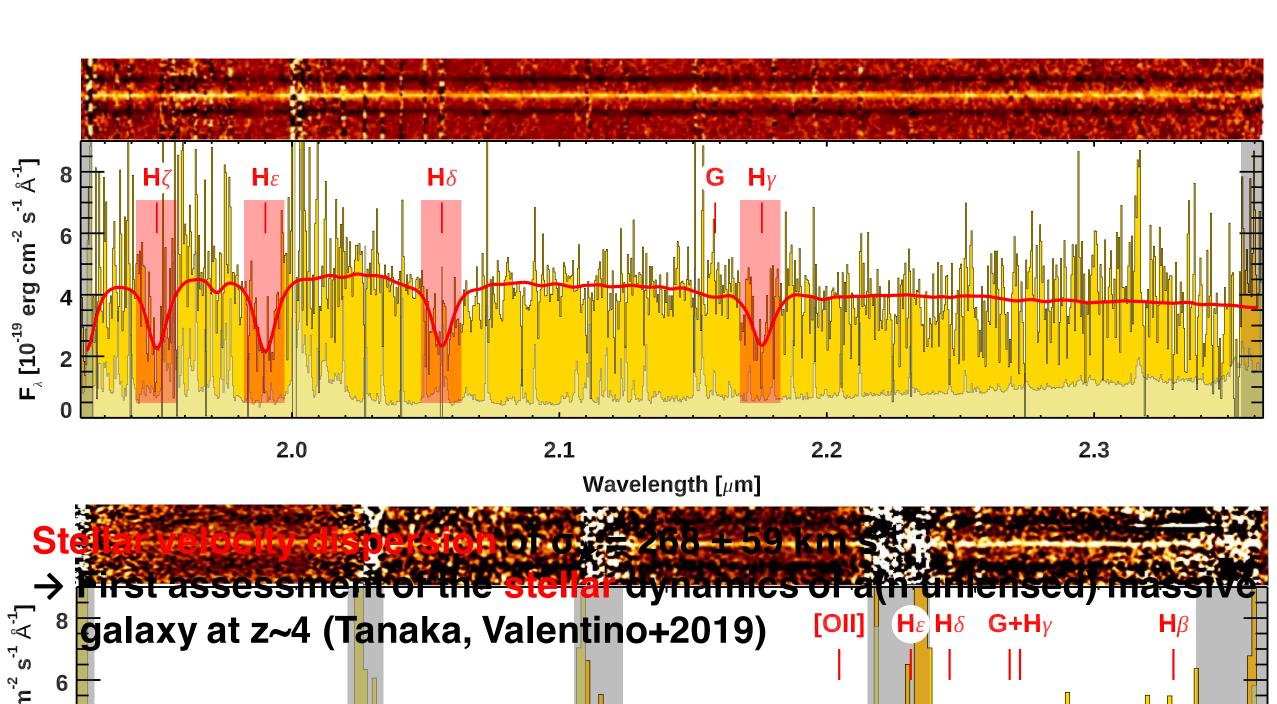
~1 night per target (K_{AB} ≥ 22)



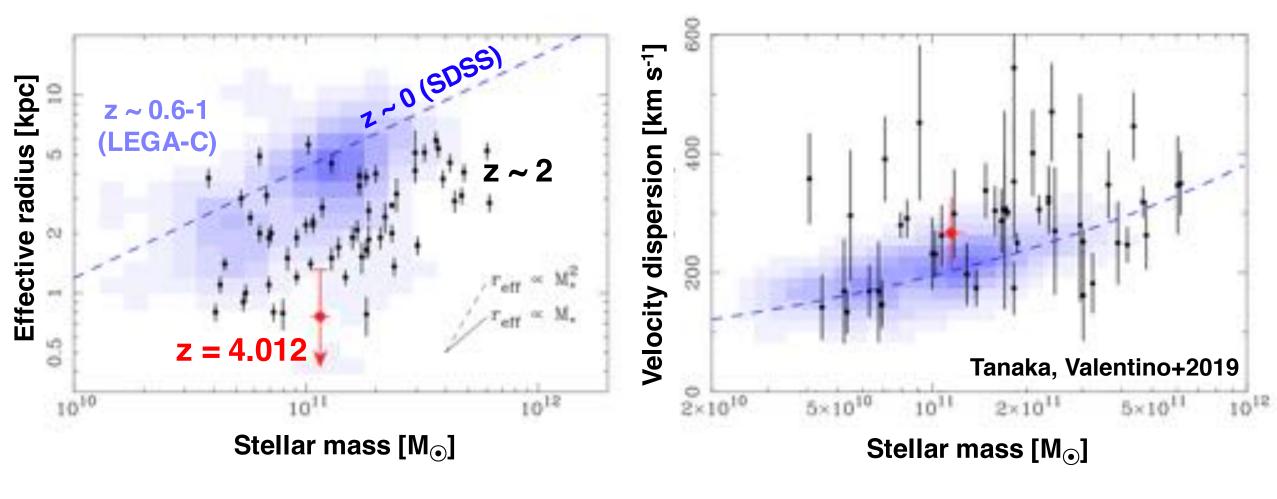
One tentative constraint

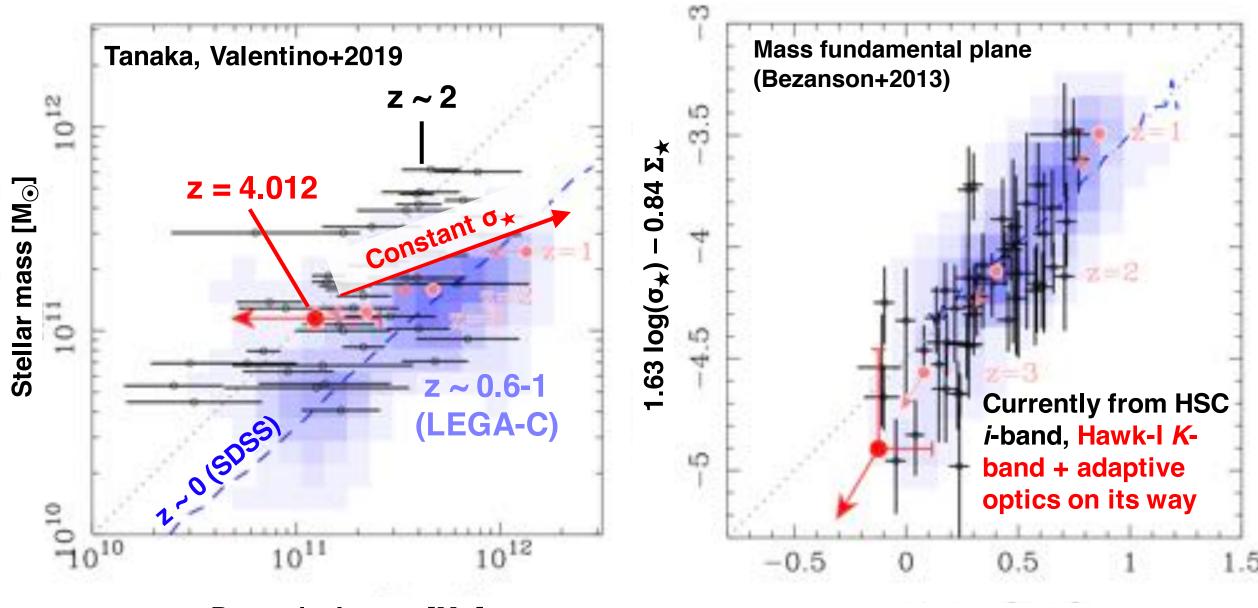
Two secure confirmations





Size + mild stellar mass increase, constant velocity dispersion?



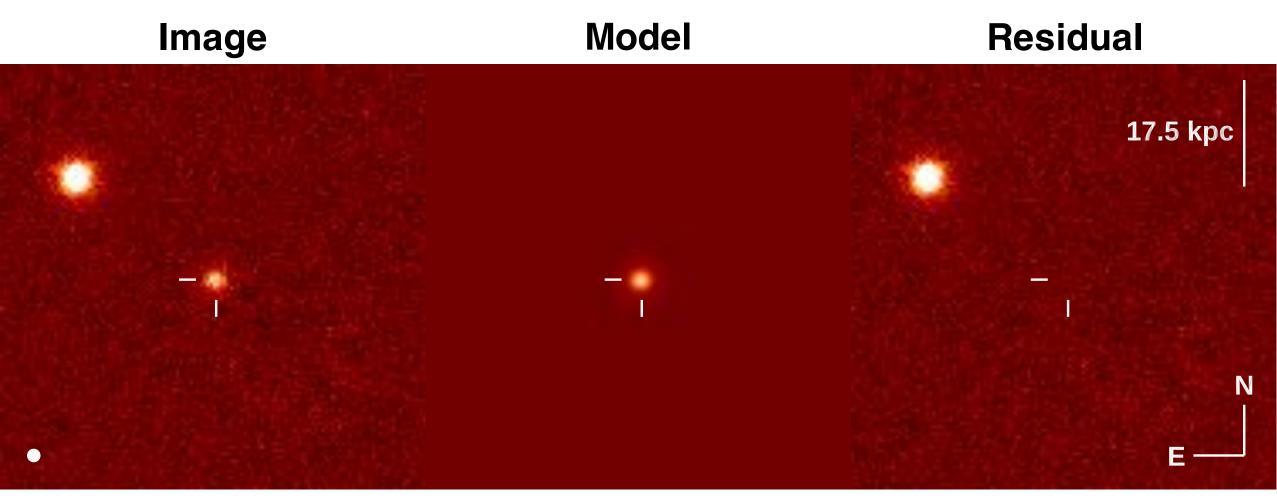


Dynamical mass $[M_{\odot}]$

log (effective radius [kpc])

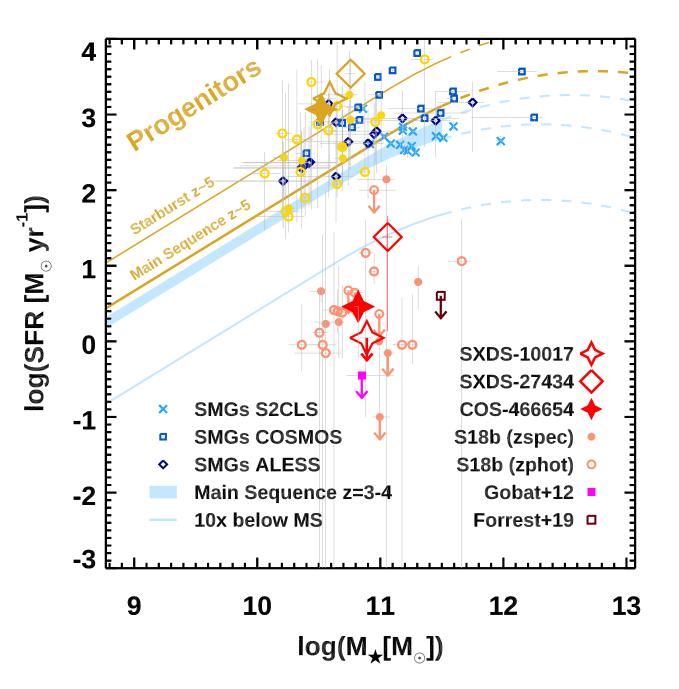


HSC i-band 0.6" seeing



Hawk-I + Adaptive Optics K-band 0.34" seeing





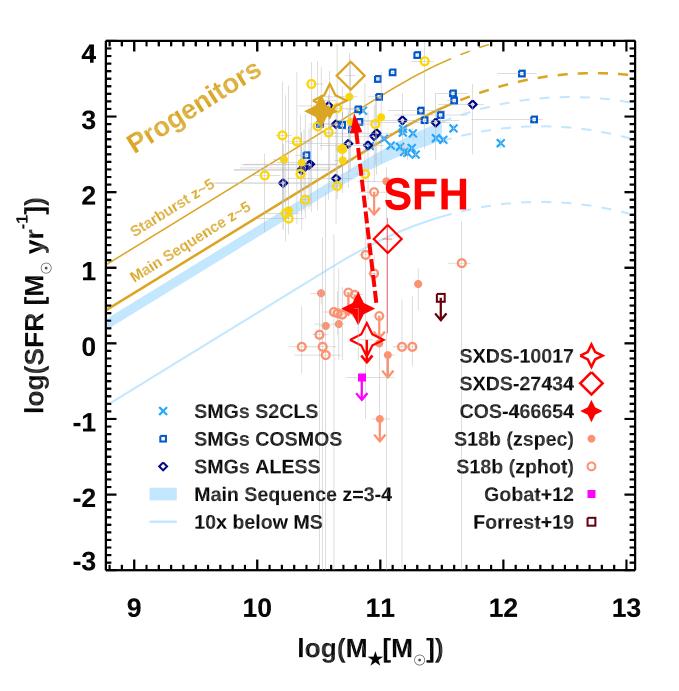
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- with properties compatible with the predictions from SED modeling
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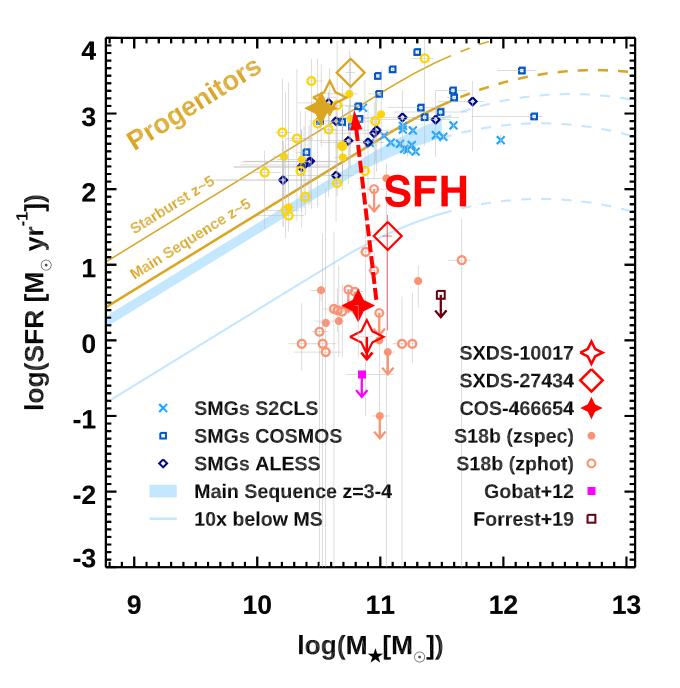
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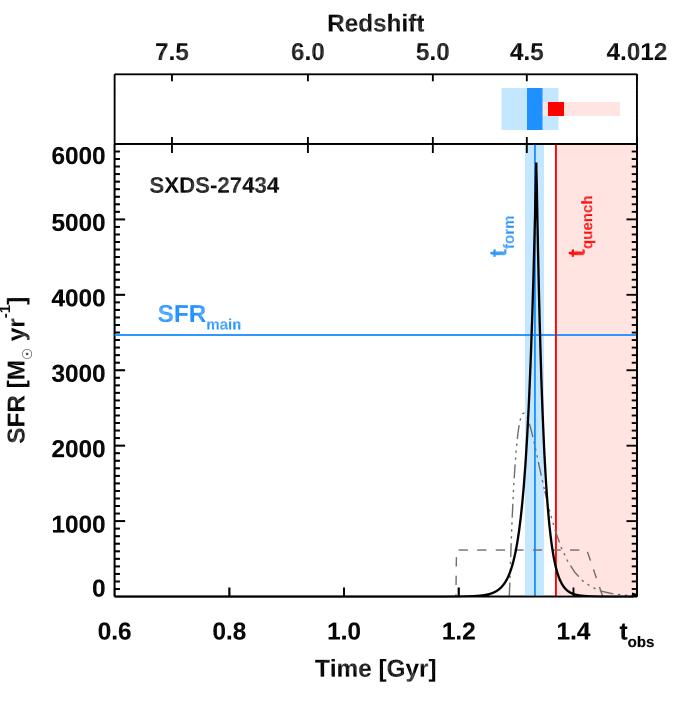
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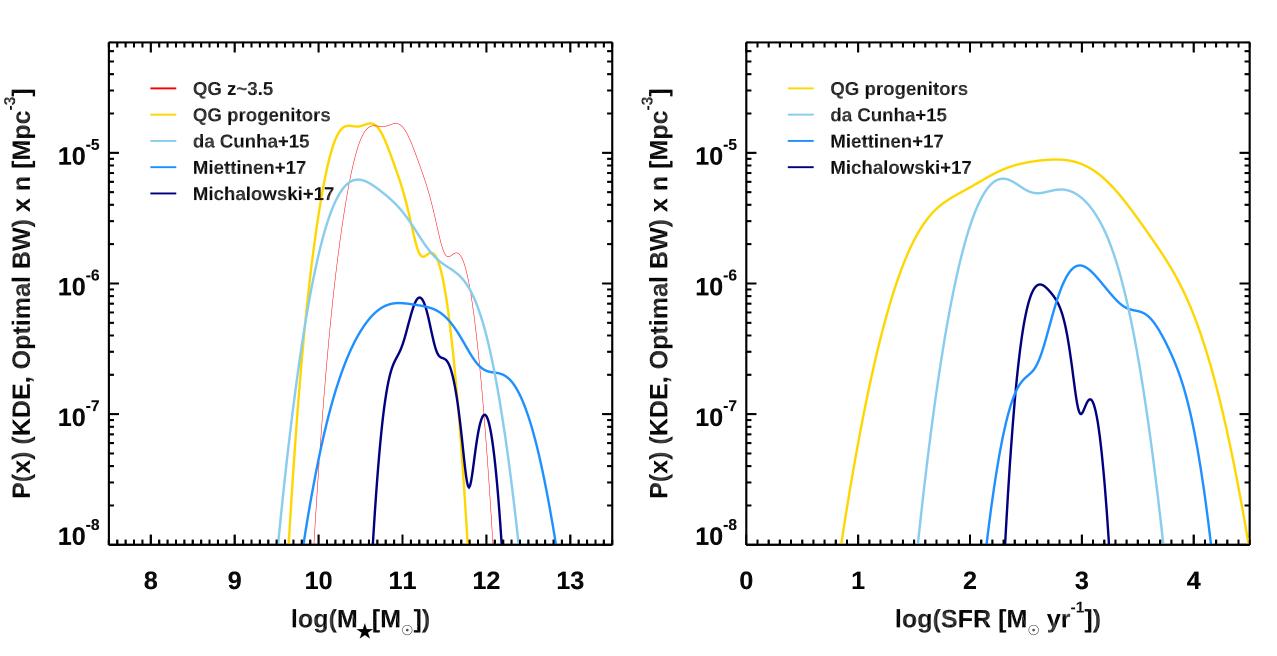


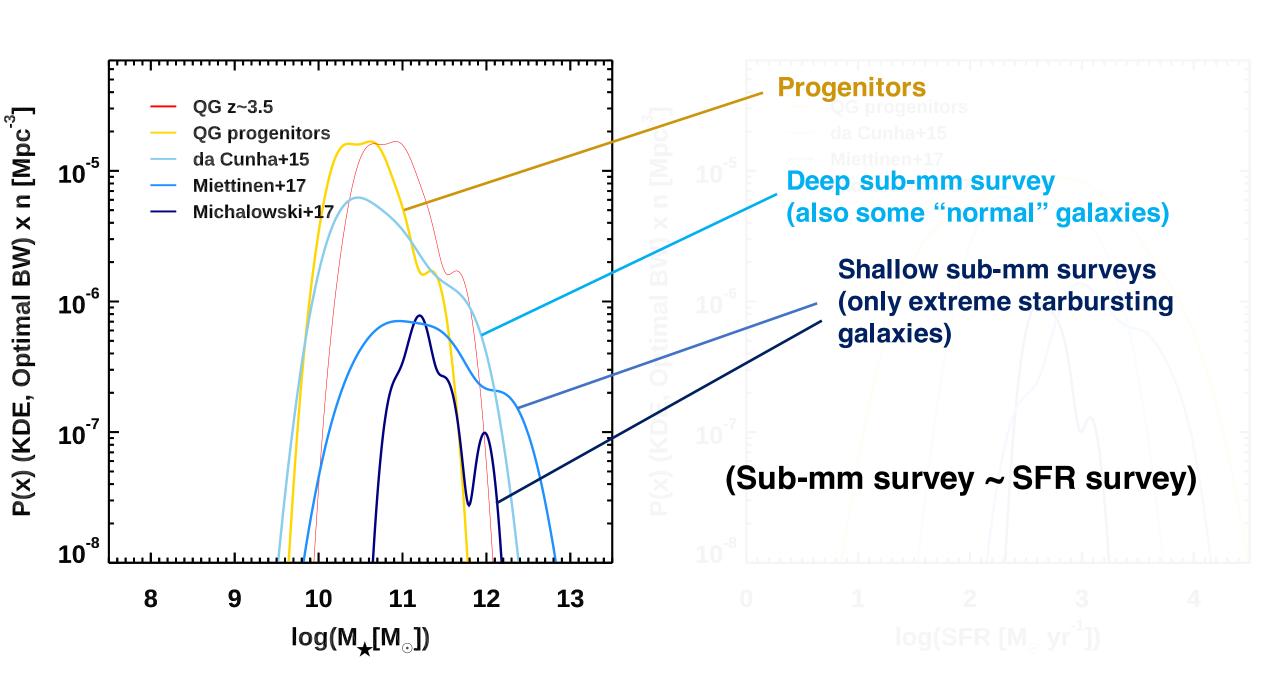
When did they die?

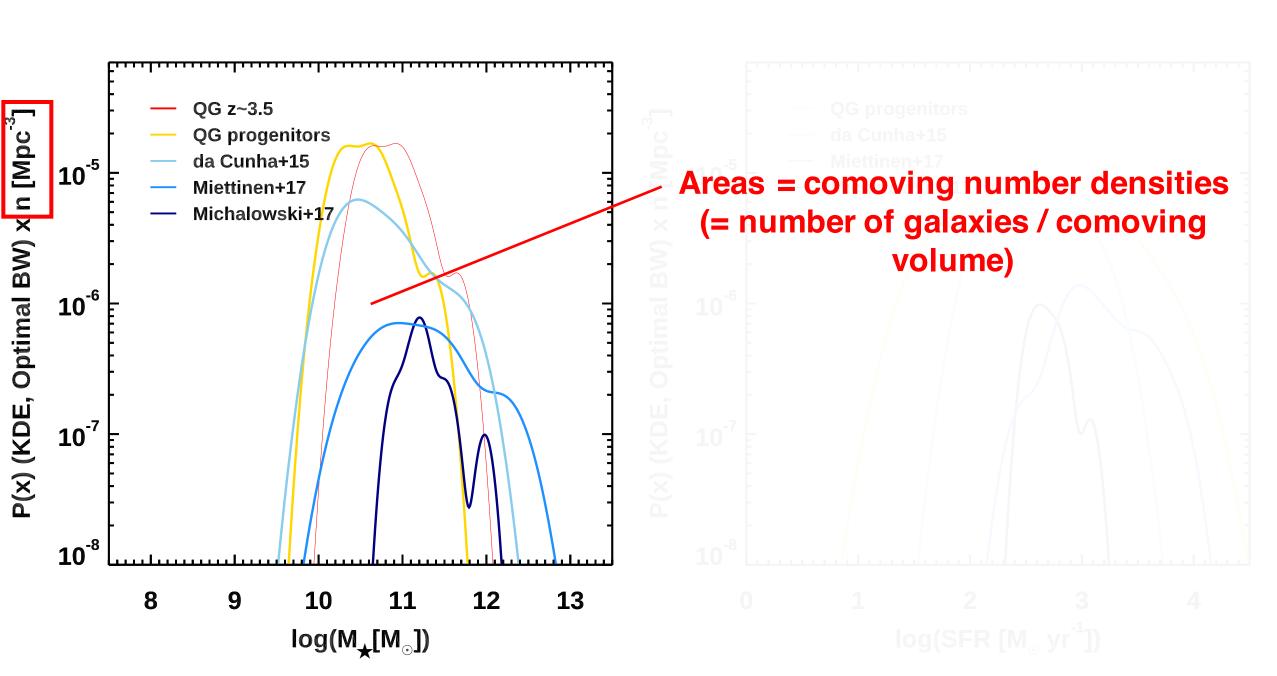
Spectrophotometric

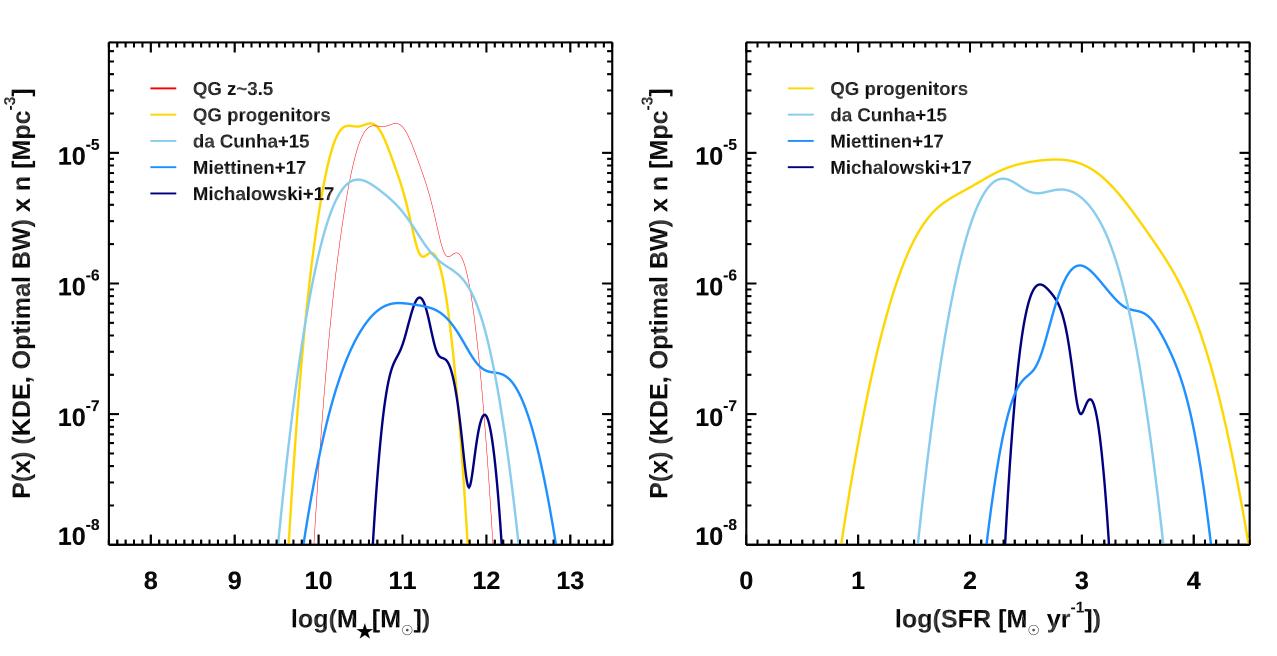
modeling → Star formation
history (Schreiber+2018,
Belli+2018)

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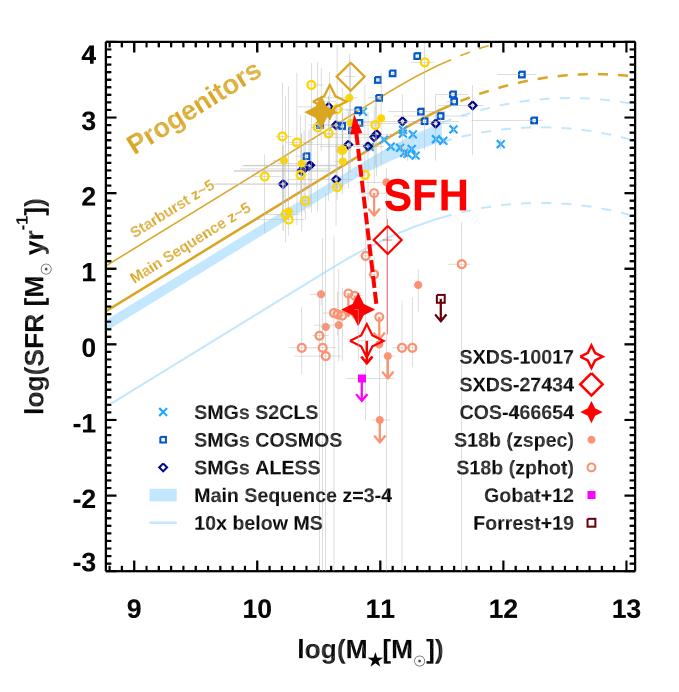








- Deep sub-mm surveys are fundamental
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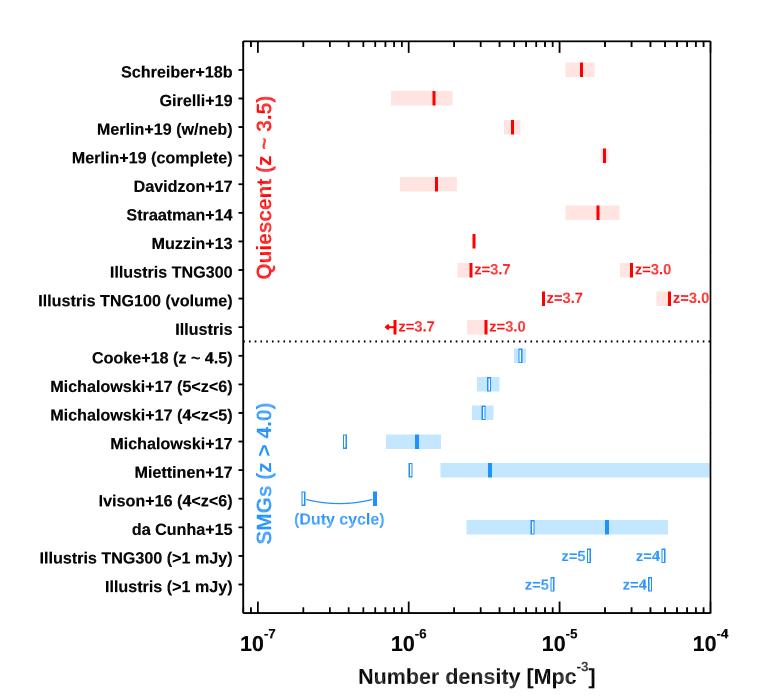
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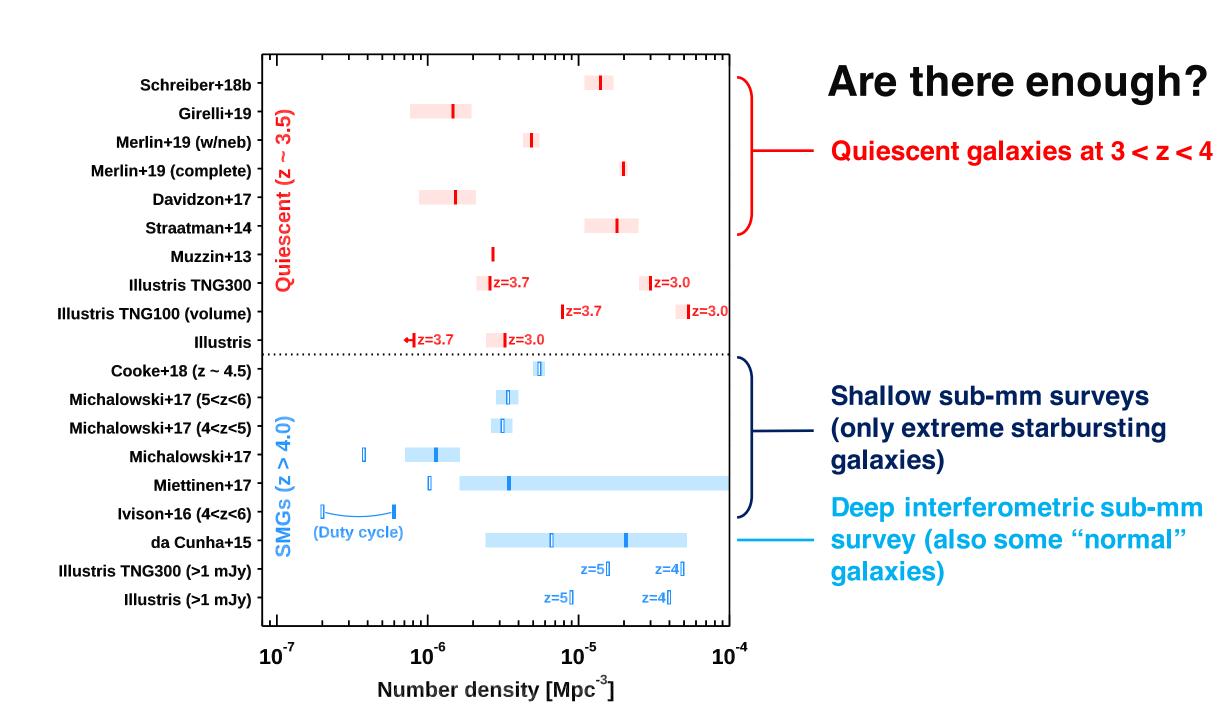
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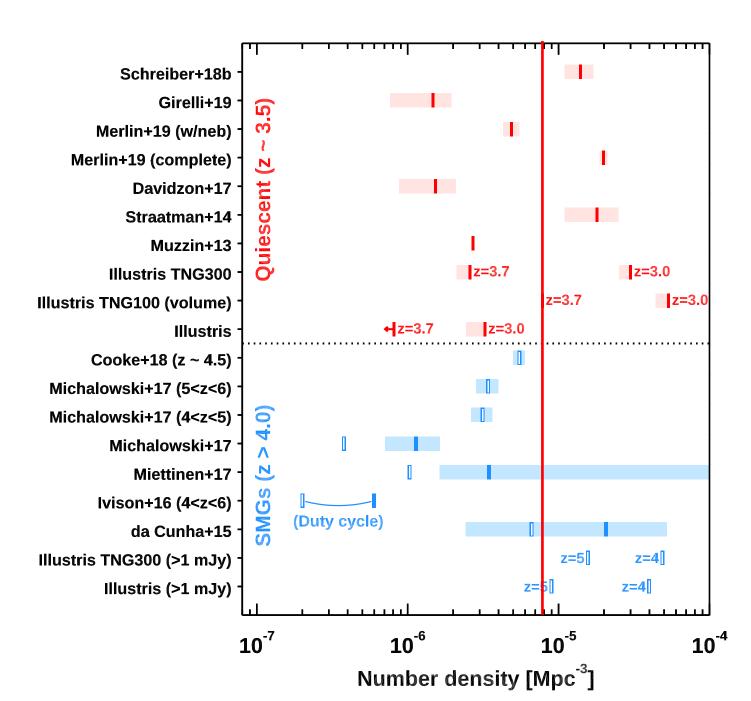
Candidates:

Sub-mm galaxies at z ≥ 4



Are there enough?





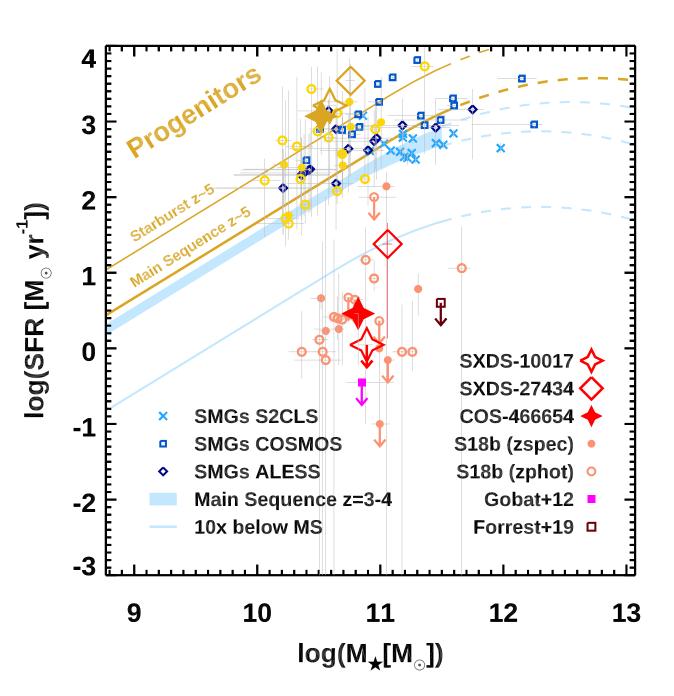
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Yes, when observing deep enough.

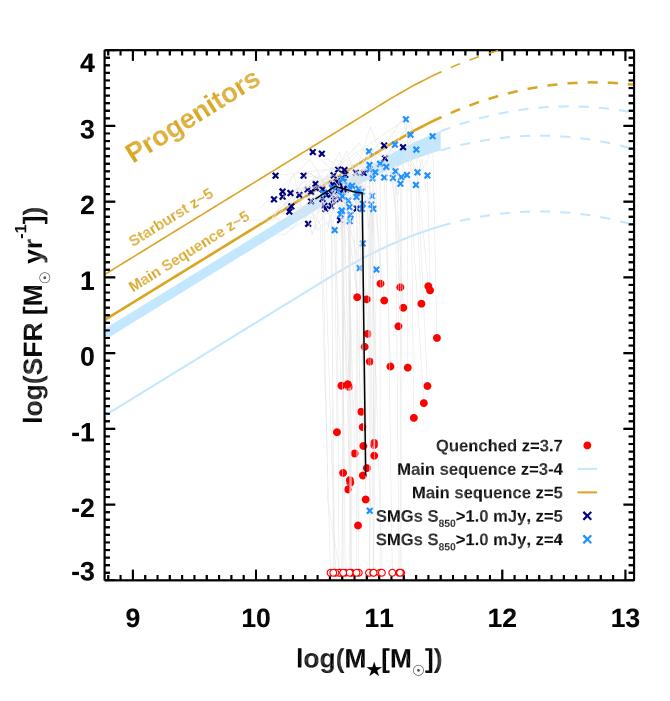
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- Number densities roughly matching



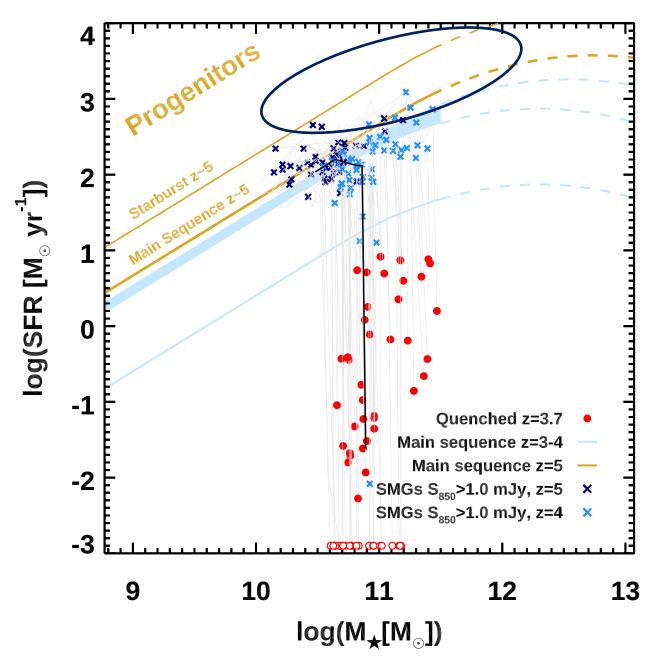


Observations

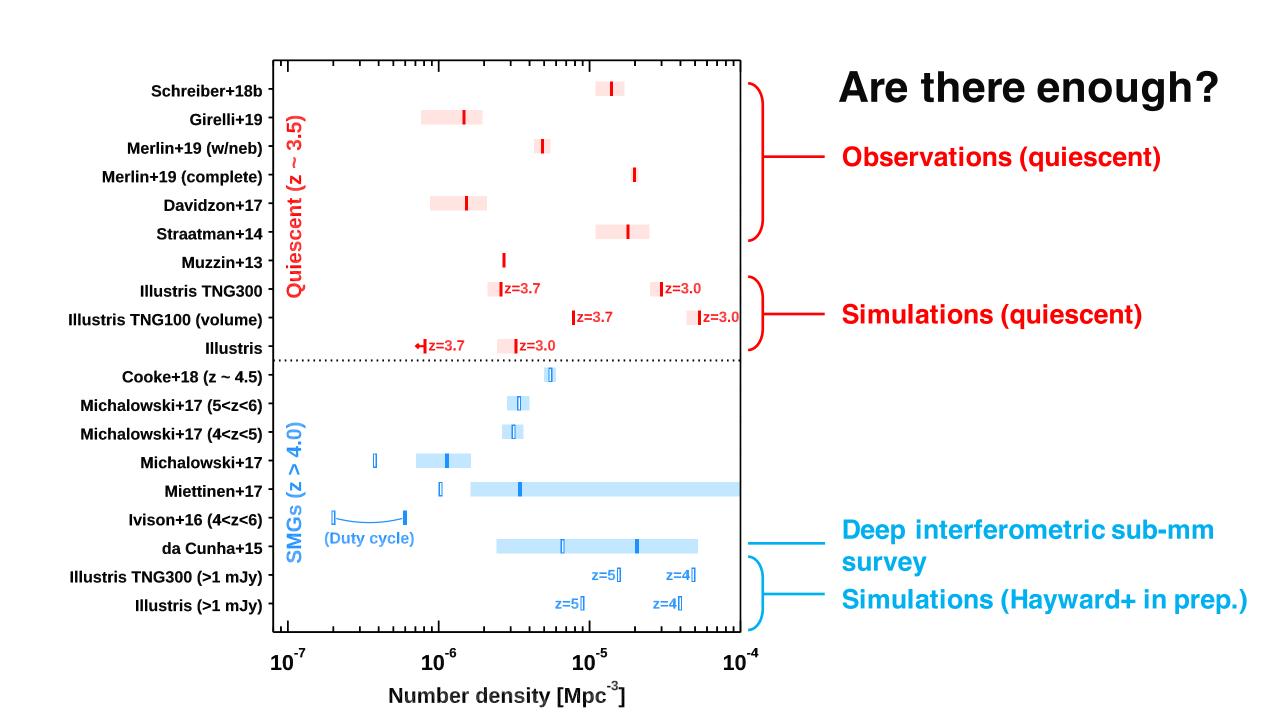


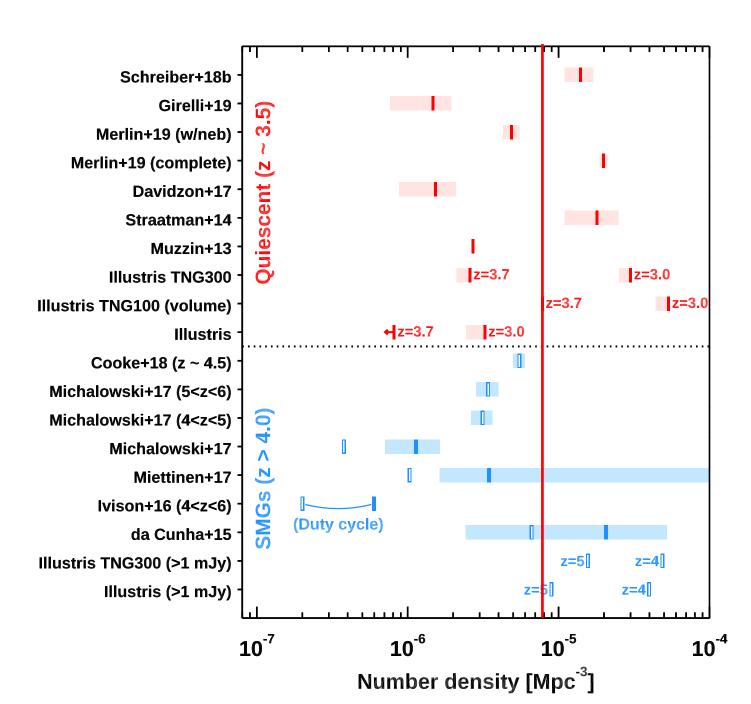
IllustrisTNG simulation

(Nelson+2019a, Hayward, Sparre+ in prep.)



- Dearth of extreme SFRs
- Roughly matching stellar masses





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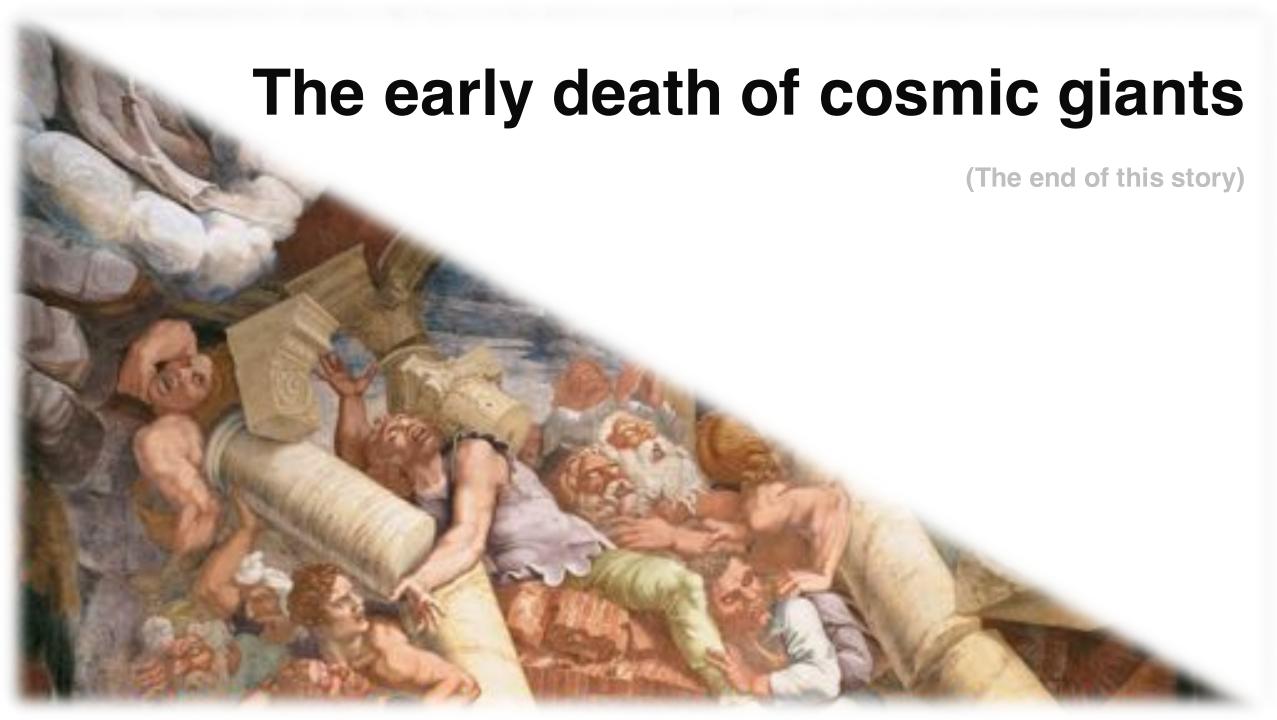
Quiescent galaxies:

- Yes, in the latest large box simulations at z~3.
- No, not in the old small box simulations and at z~3.7.

(see also Merlin+2019)

Sub-mm galaxies (deep):

Yes, both in old and new simulations



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