

The contribution of faint galaxies to Cosmic Reionization

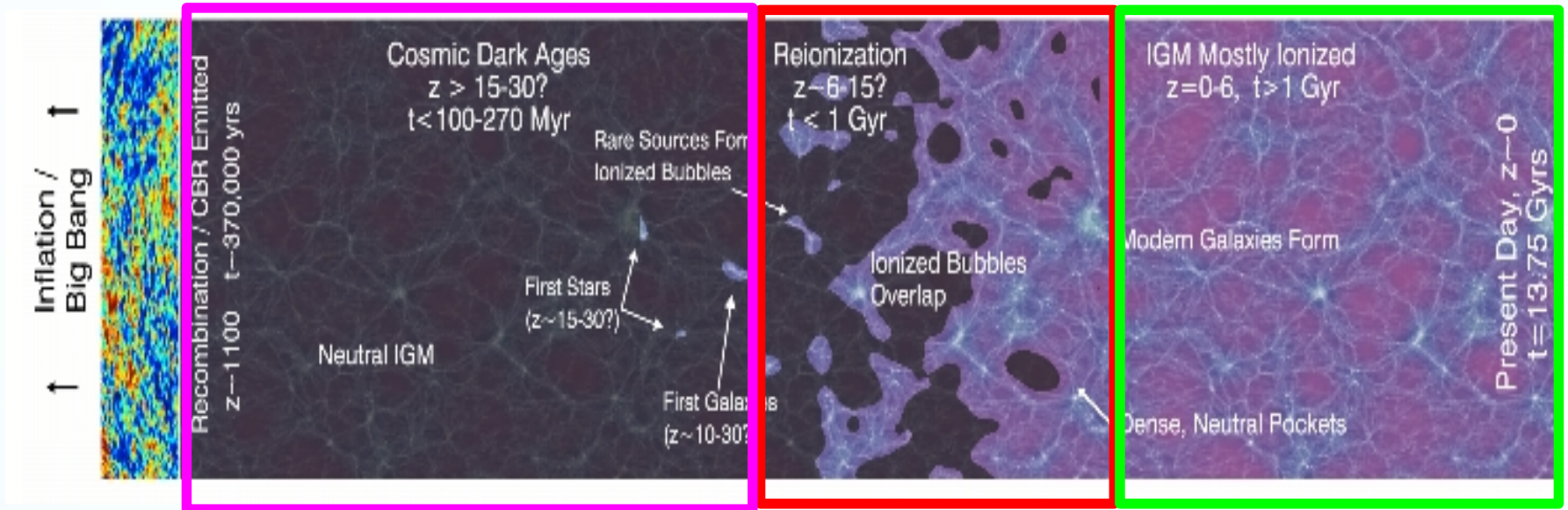
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A synthetic view of cosmic history



Dark Ages: Universe is mostly neutral, very first stars form

End of dark age: first PopIII dominated galaxies (JWST, EELT)

Reionization Epoch:

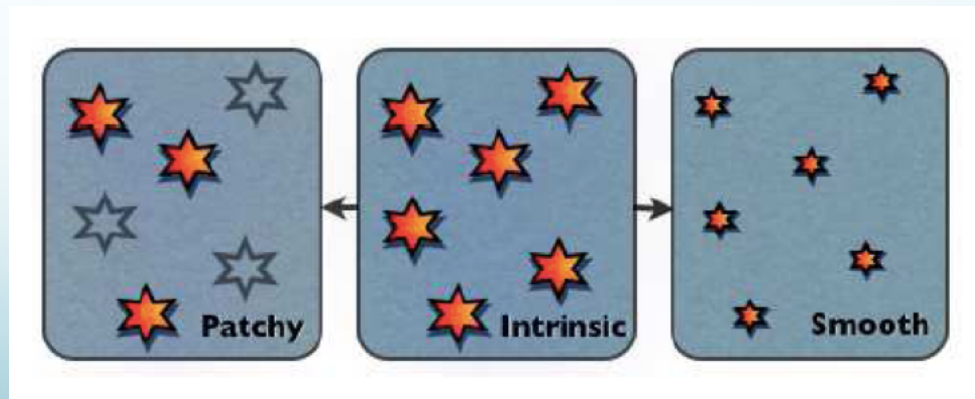
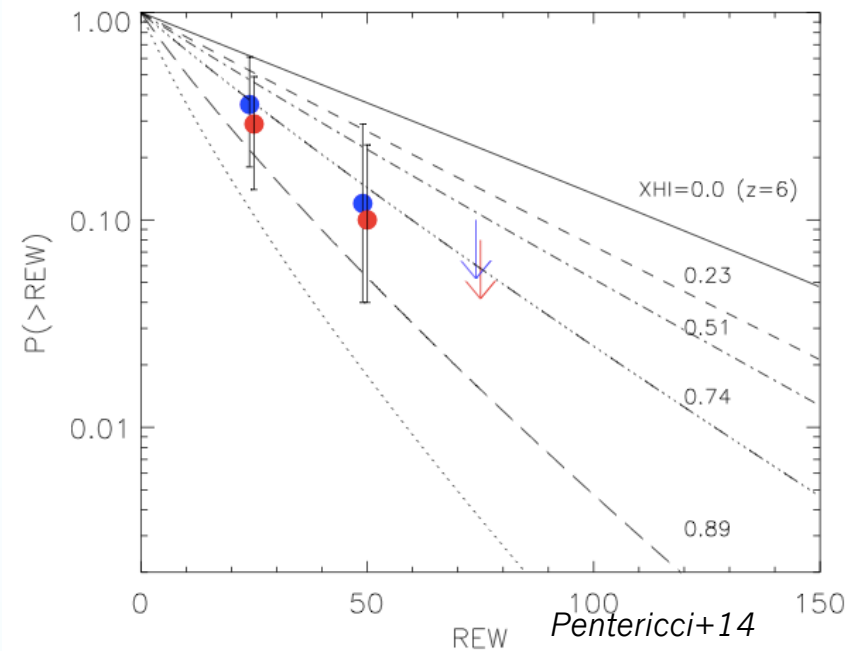
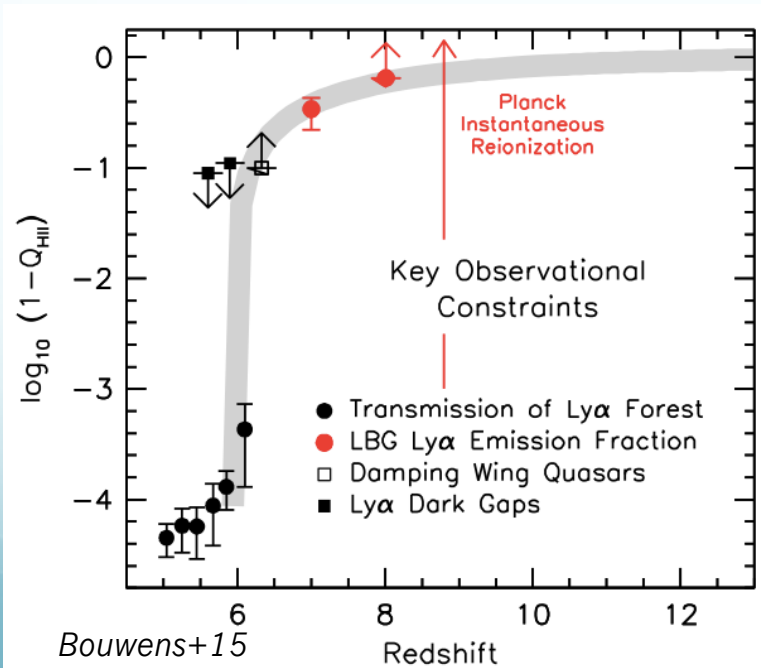
Star forming galaxies now observable from ground (VLT, SUBARU) and space (WFC3@HST)

The ionized Universe we know well (right?)

Timeline and sources of HI Reionization

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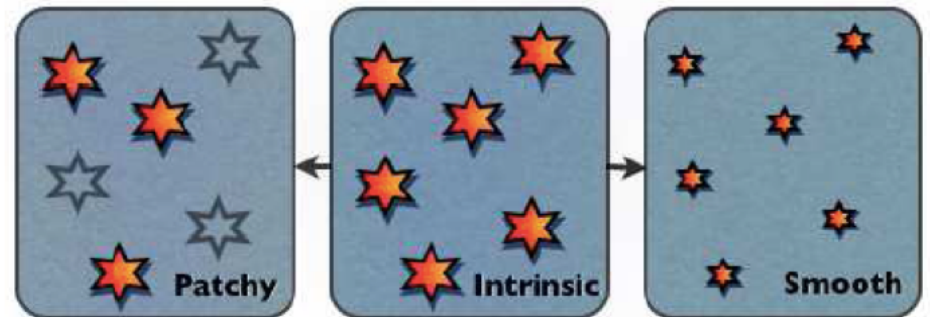
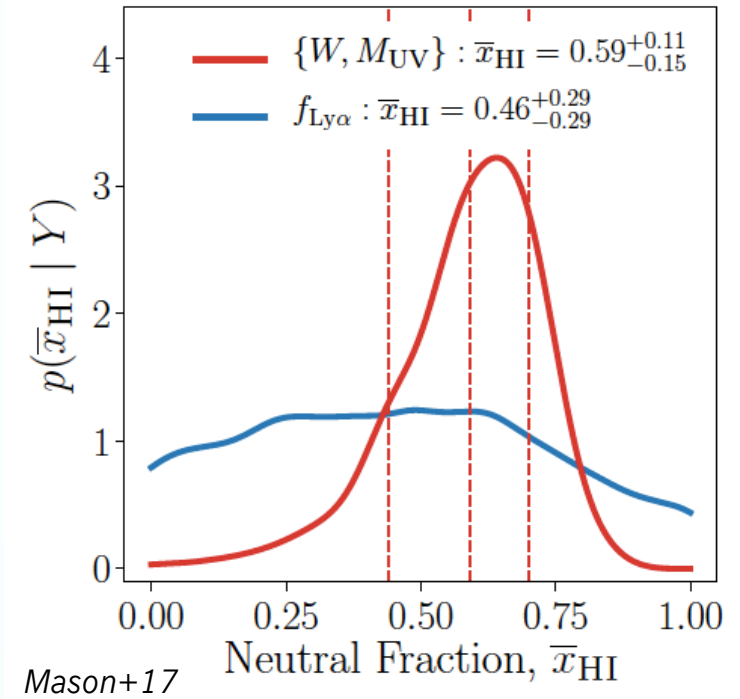
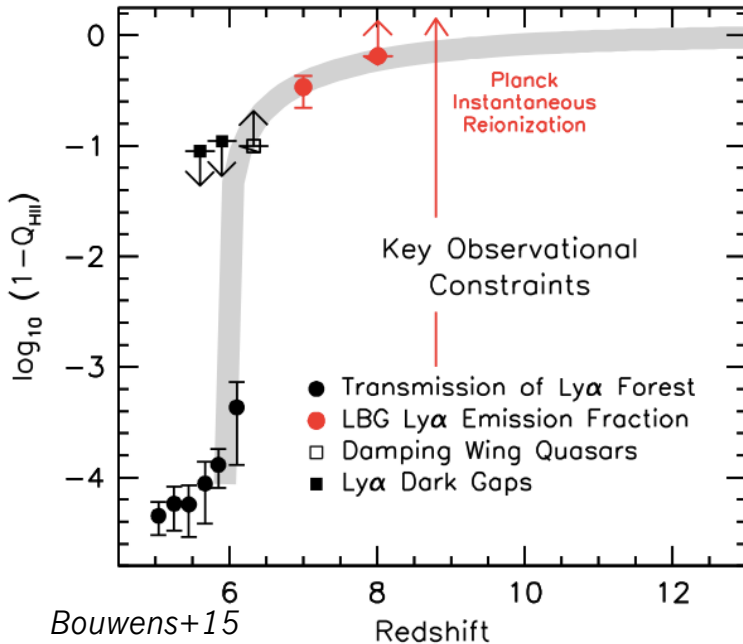


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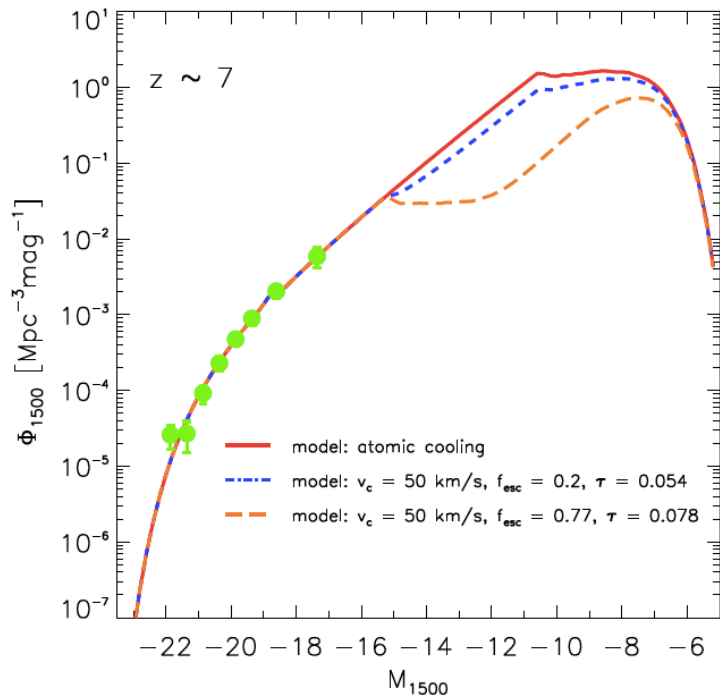
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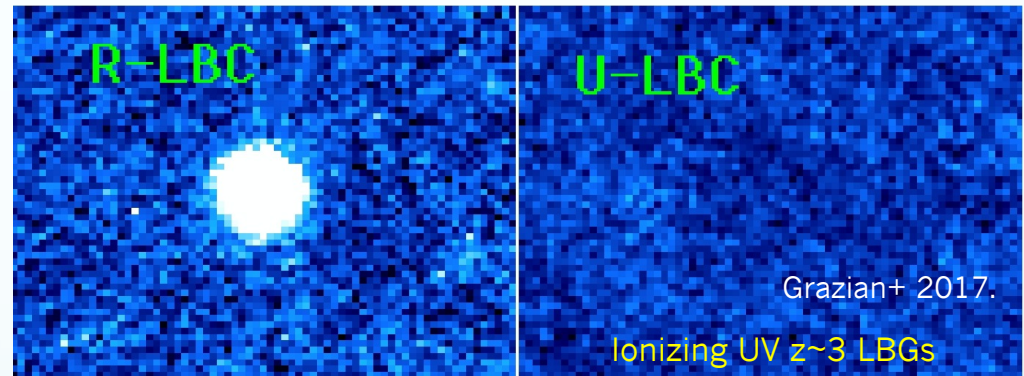
Reionization: open issues (1)



Yue, Ferrara et al. 2014

$$\dot{N}_{ion}(s^{-1} Mpc^{-3}) = 10^{49.7} \left(\frac{\rho_{UV}}{6 \cdot 10^{25}} \right) \left(\frac{3.0}{\alpha_S} \right) \left(\frac{f_{esc}}{0.1} \right)$$

- Luminosity function faint end
- Escape fraction
- Intrinsic spectrum

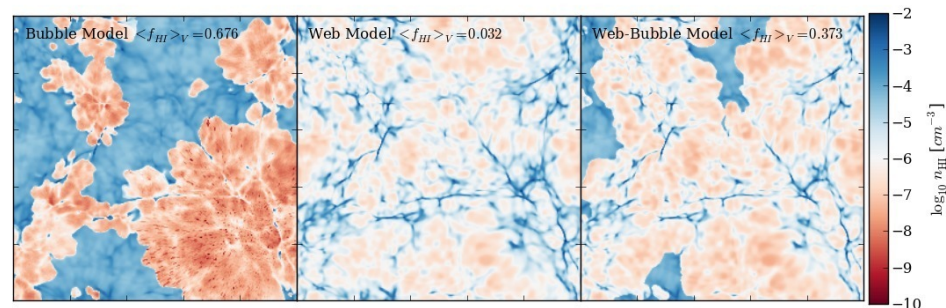
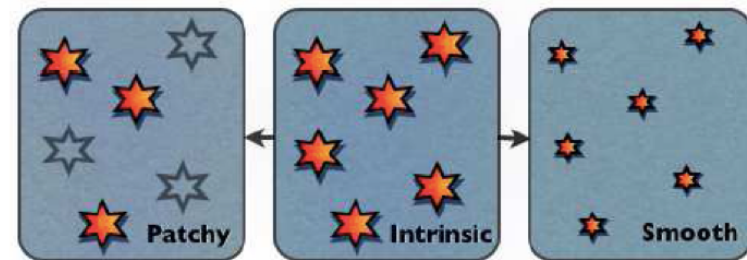
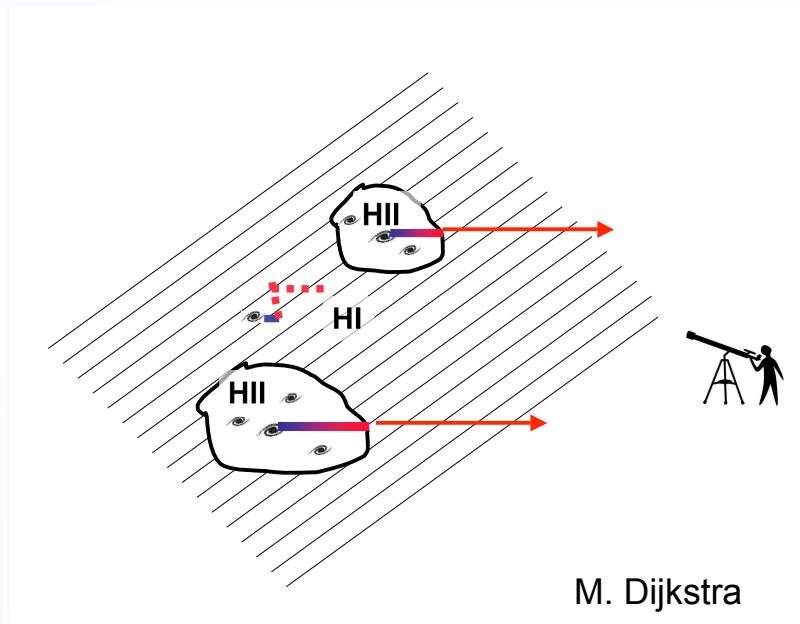


Low f_{esc} from bright galaxies, at $z \sim 3-4$, also talk by F. Marchi

Is galaxy number density high enough?
Do they emit enough ionizing radiation?

Are other sources needed? (i.e. faint AGNs, Giallongo et al. 2012-2015)

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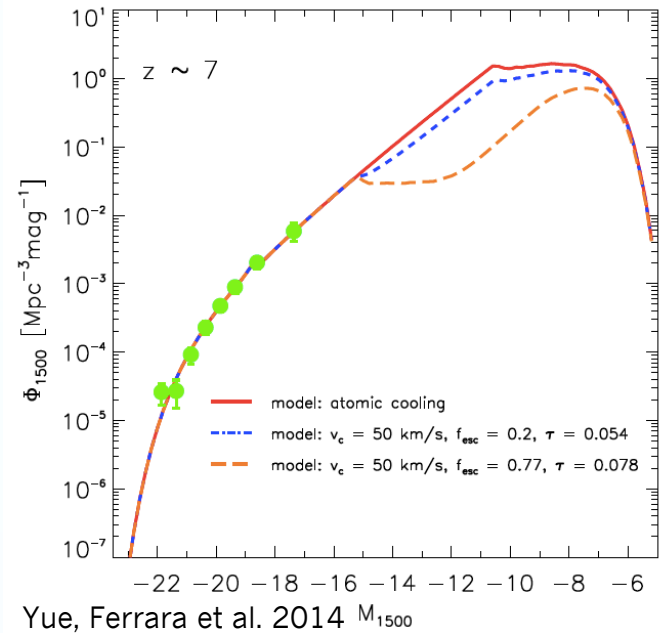
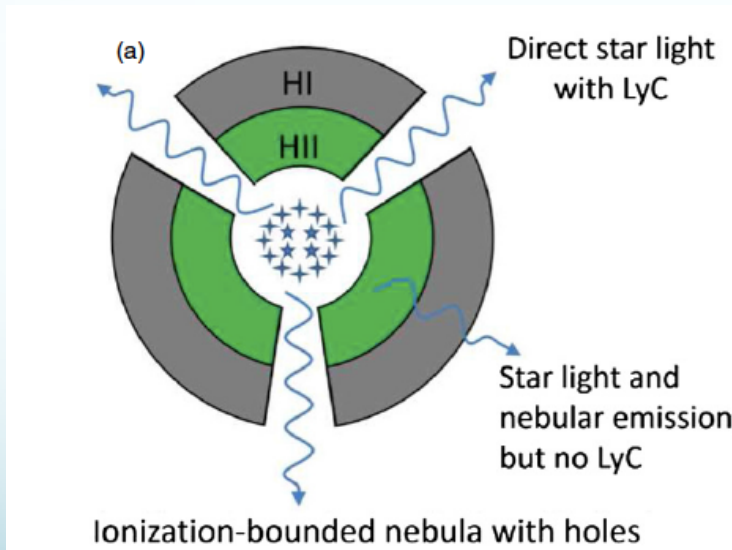
What is the topology of reionization?

What distinguishes Ly α emitting and non emitting galaxies, what causes visibility patchiness?

Outline of this talk

1) Constraints on LF cut-off at $z > 5$ from ultrafaint galaxies in the Frontier Fields.

Number of faint galaxies during reionization.

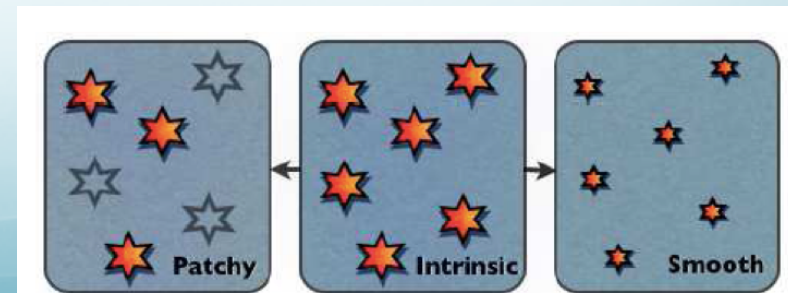


2) Physical properties of confirmed $z \sim 7$ LAEs

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3) Connection between Ly α emitting galaxies and clustering.

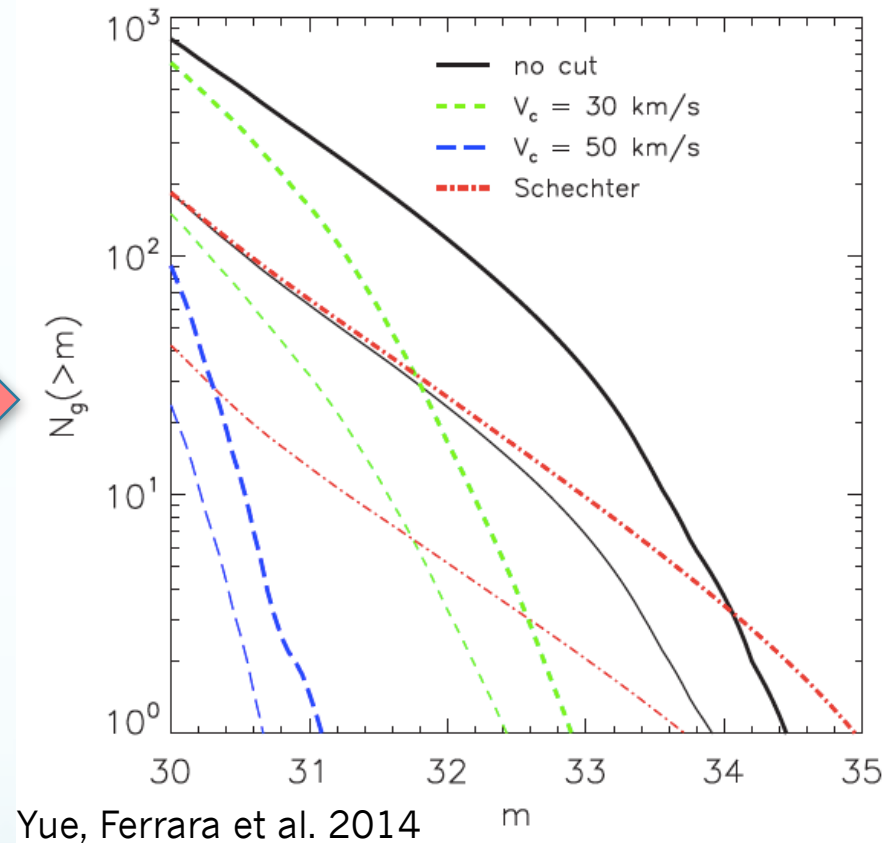
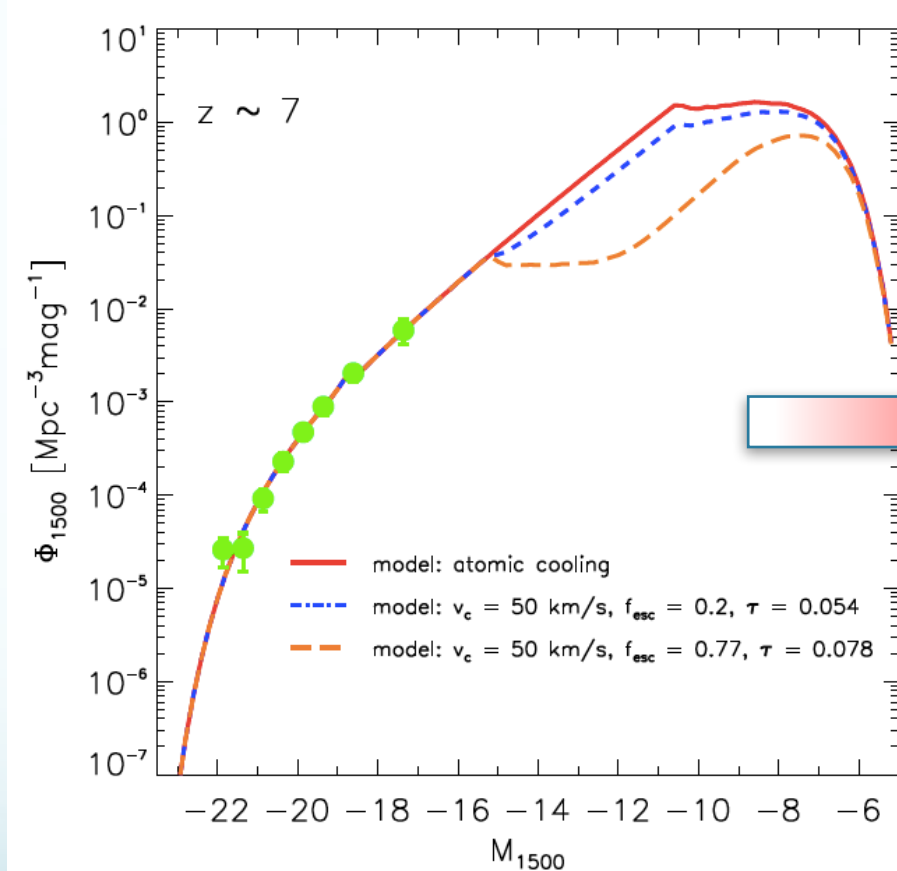
The role of galaxy clustering during reionization.



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**The critical role of the
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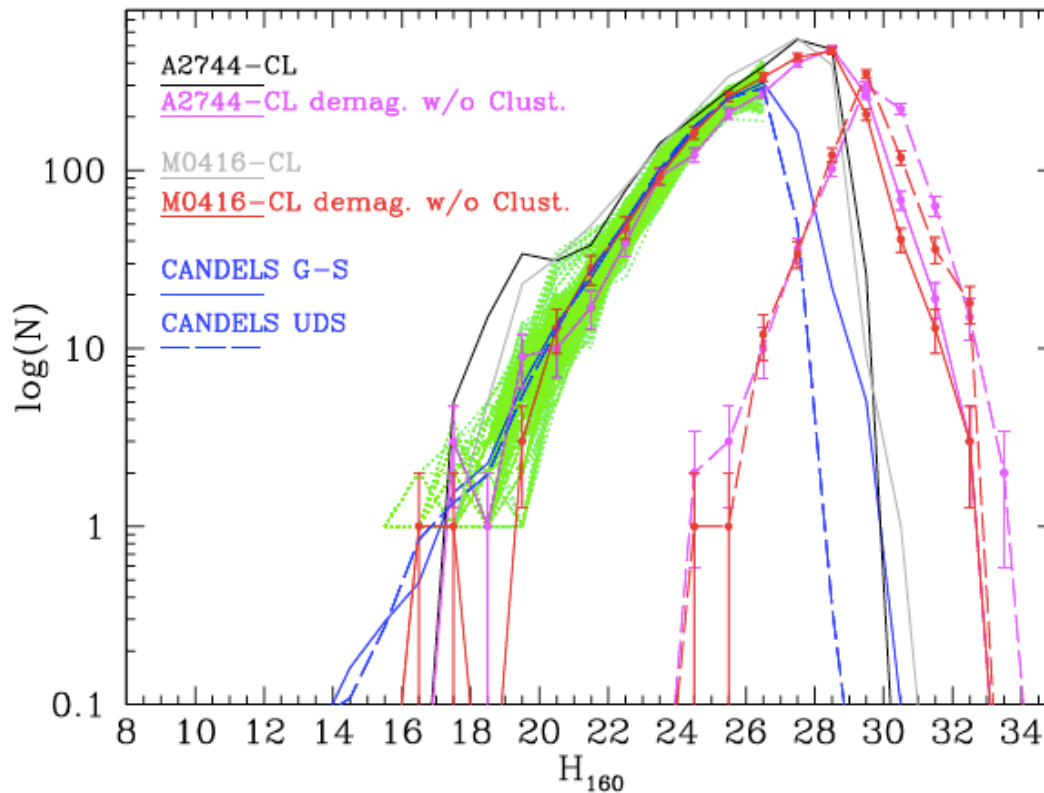
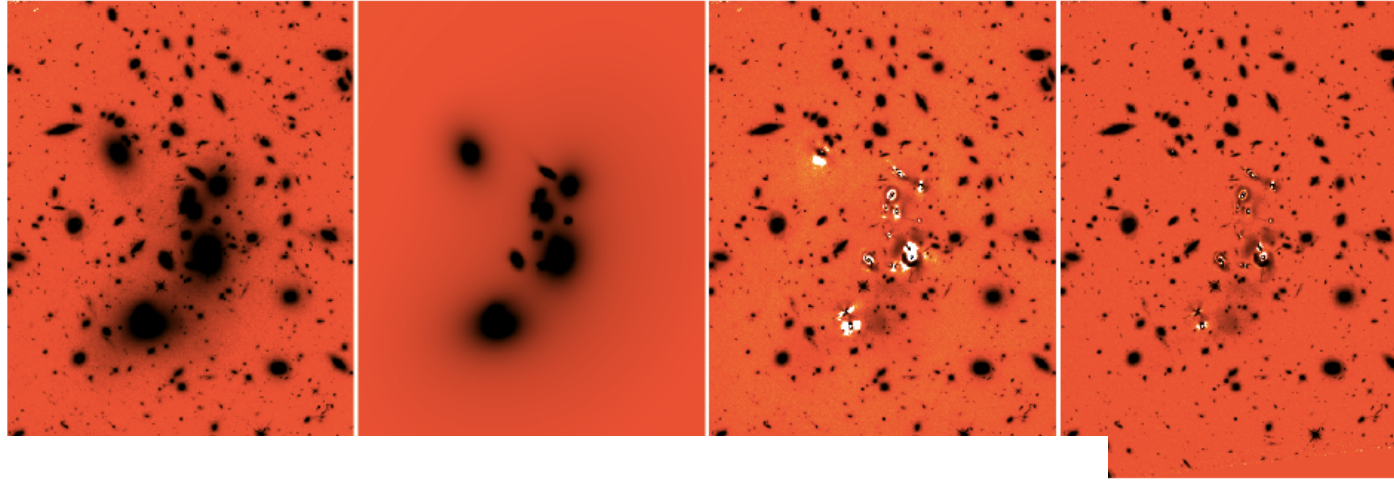
The critical role of the faintest sources



The LF cut-off (feedback due to UV background) affects the number counts of highly magnified sources.

We can probe the cut-off of the LF from galaxy number counts in the Frontier Fields survey.

High-z faint galaxies in the Frontier Fields



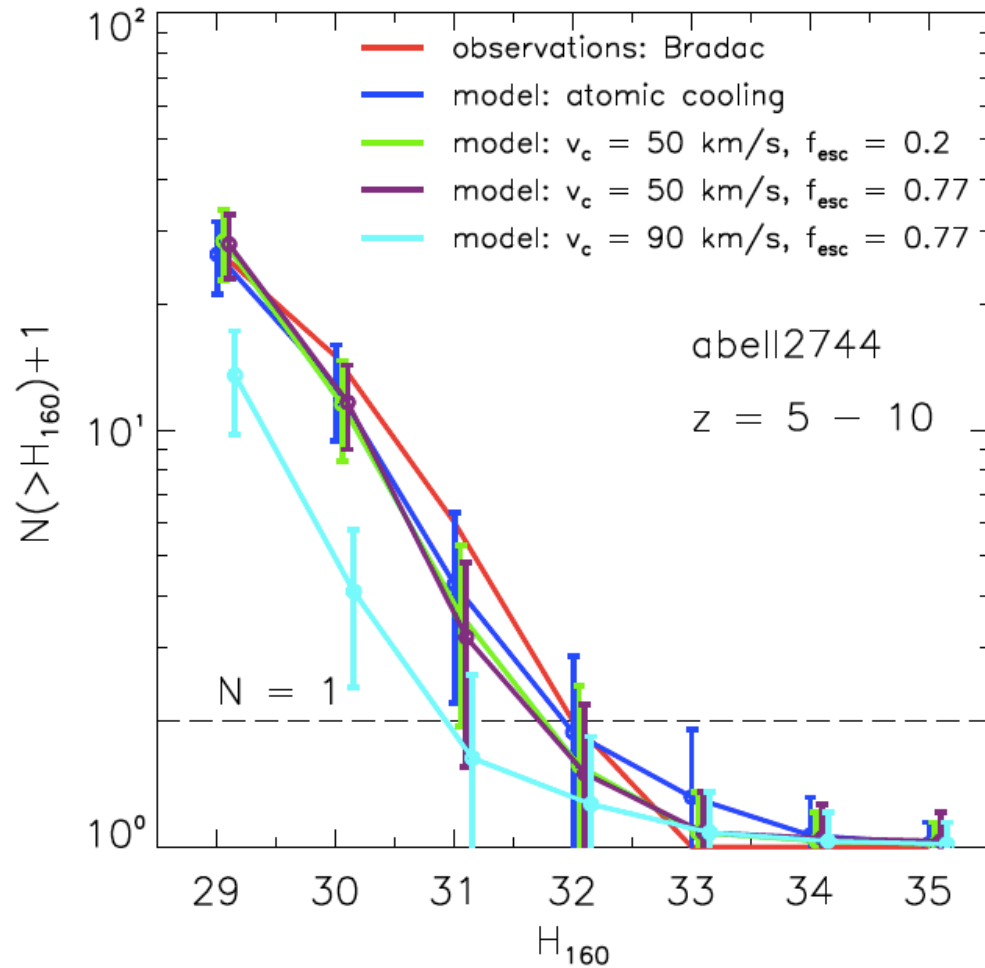
We looked for ultrafaint $z > 5$ galaxies in the **ASTRODEEP catalogues** of A2744 and MACS0416

- 10 bands photozs
- Median from 6 different codes to minimize systematics

Merlin et al. A&A 2016
MC+ A&A, 2016b

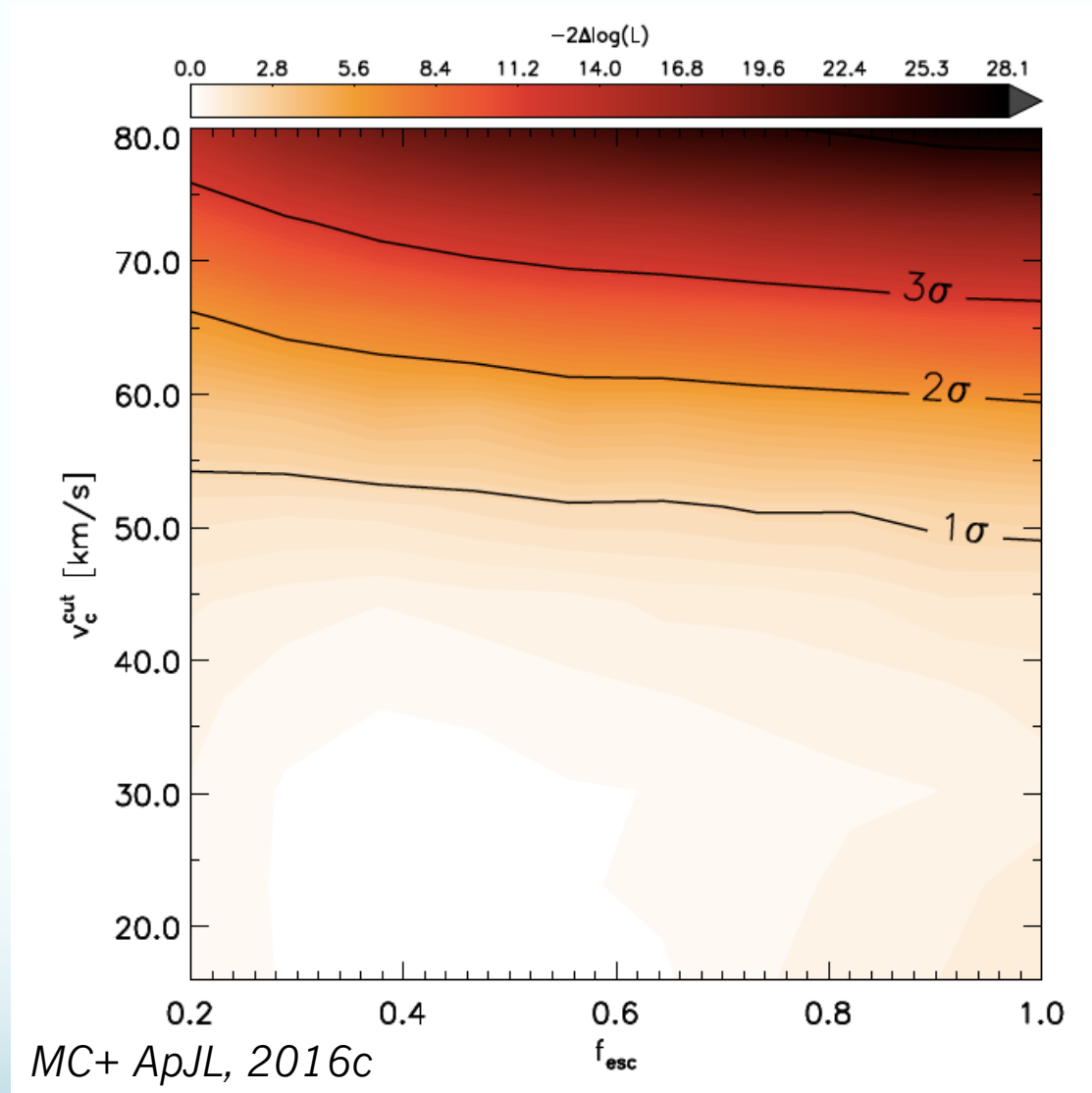
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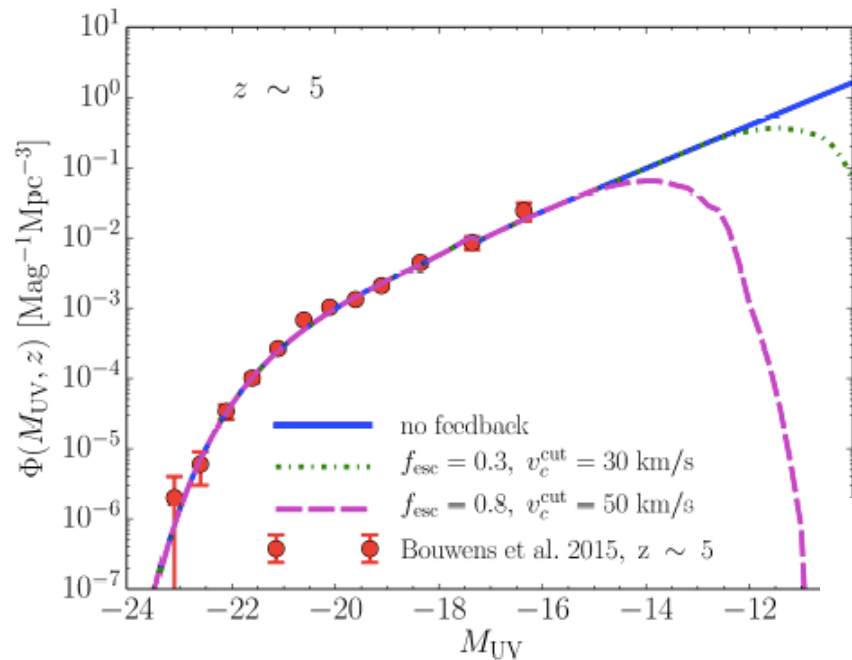
Comparison between Yue et al. 2016 model and observed counts.
All lensing models used to build a global likelihood minimizing systematics.

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First constraints on the cut-off circular velocity for star formation at $z > 5$

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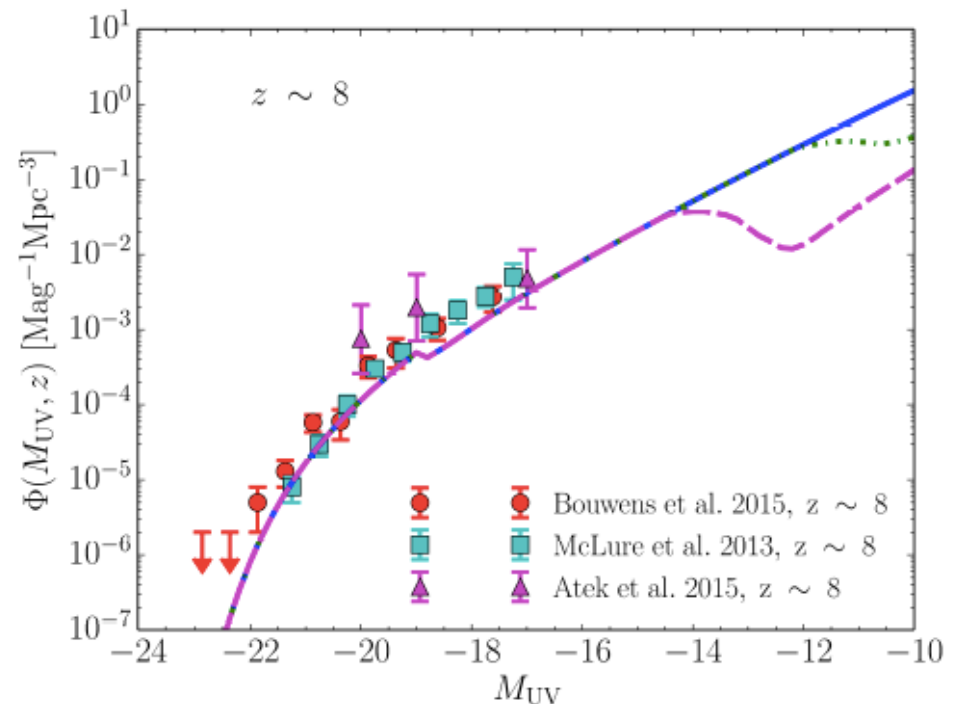


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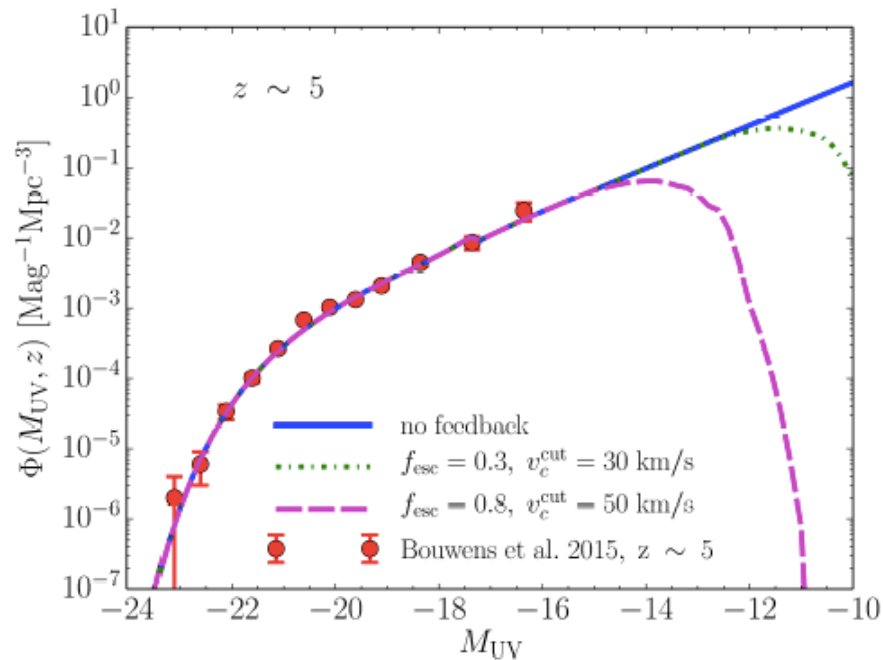
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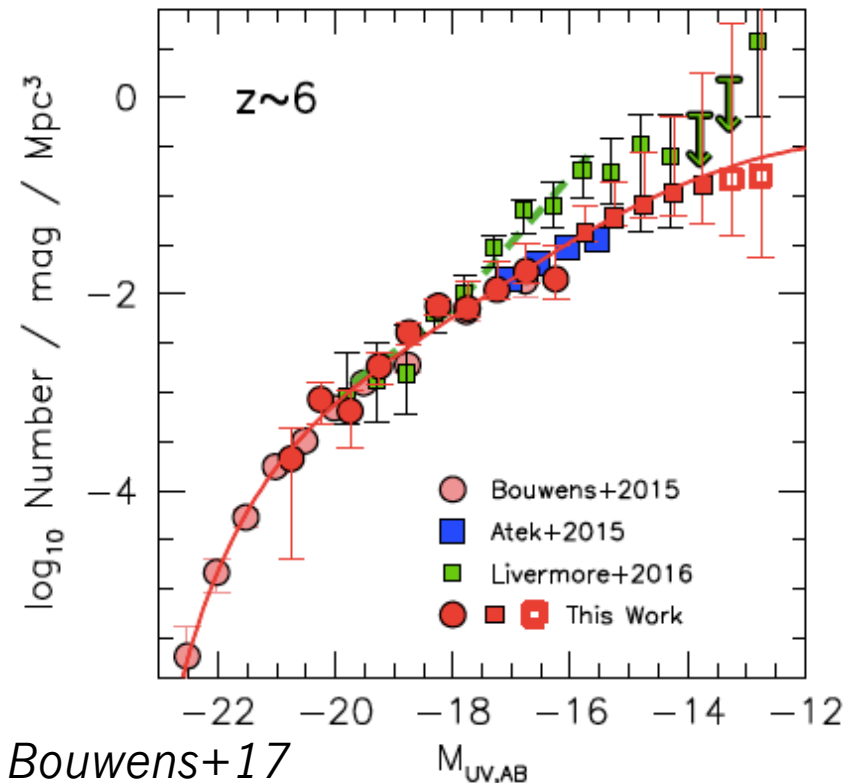


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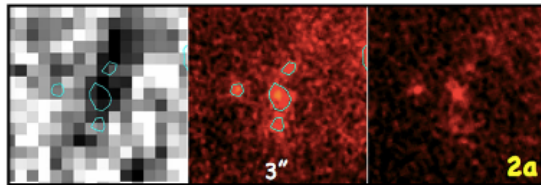
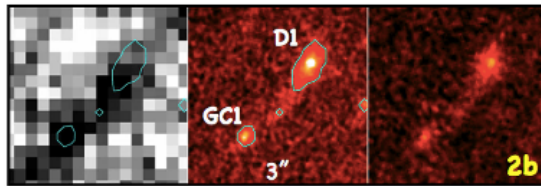
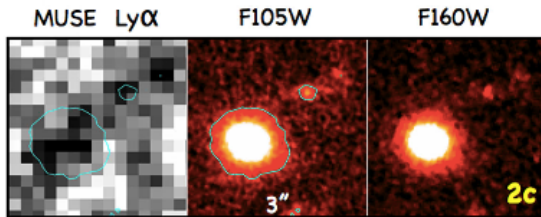
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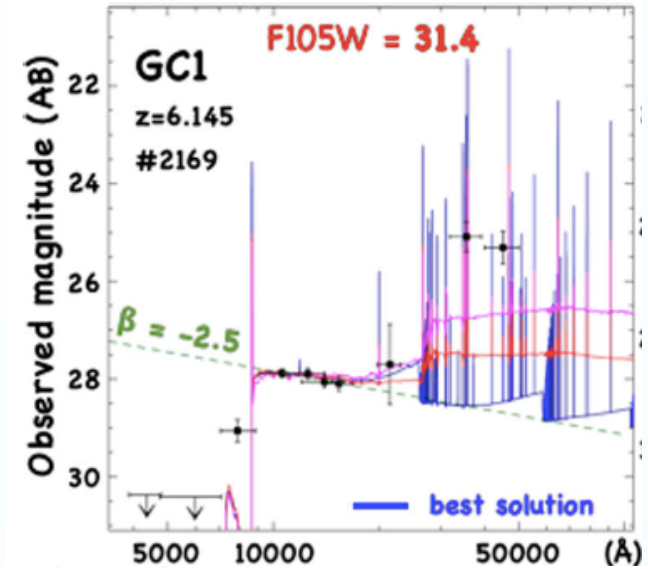
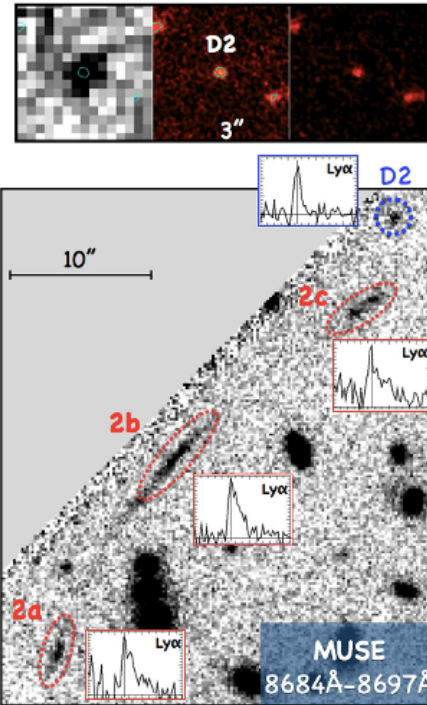
Bouwens+17

Ultra-faint, compact high-z galaxies: GC progenitors?

MACS J0416 System (2) $z=6.145$



$z=6.145$ individual object

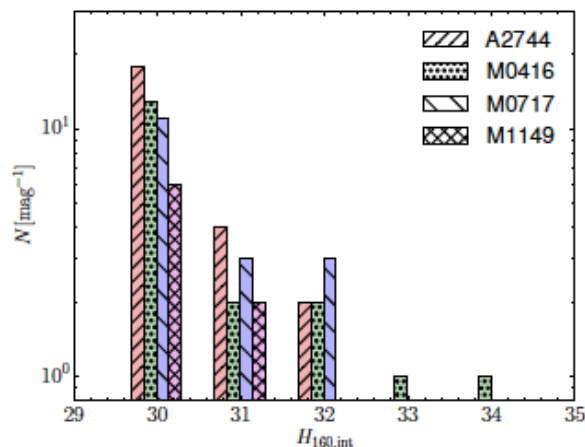


Spectroscopy from MUSE
(+ X-SHOOTER for $z \sim 3$ dwarfs)

The luminosity, mass and size range we are probing is the one predicted for GC progenitors at $z > 3$

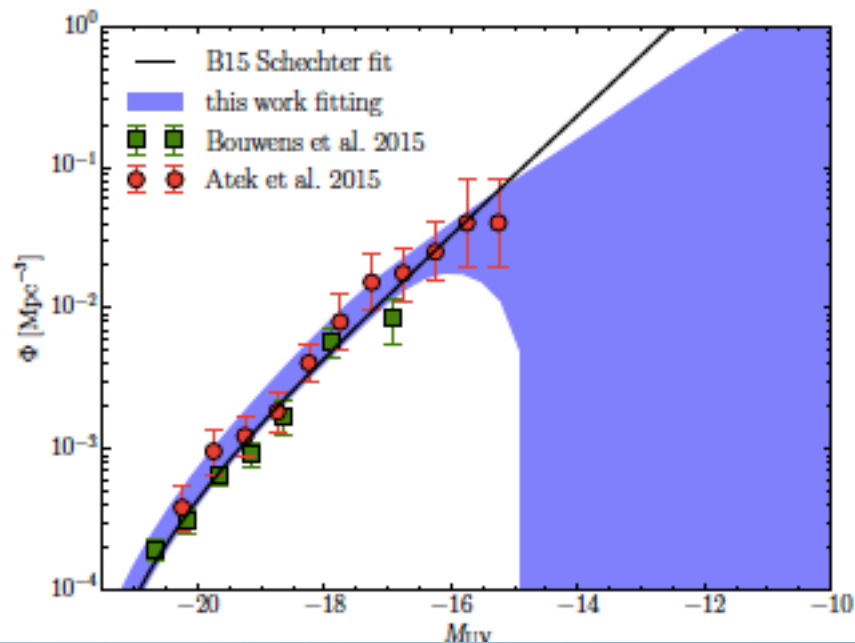
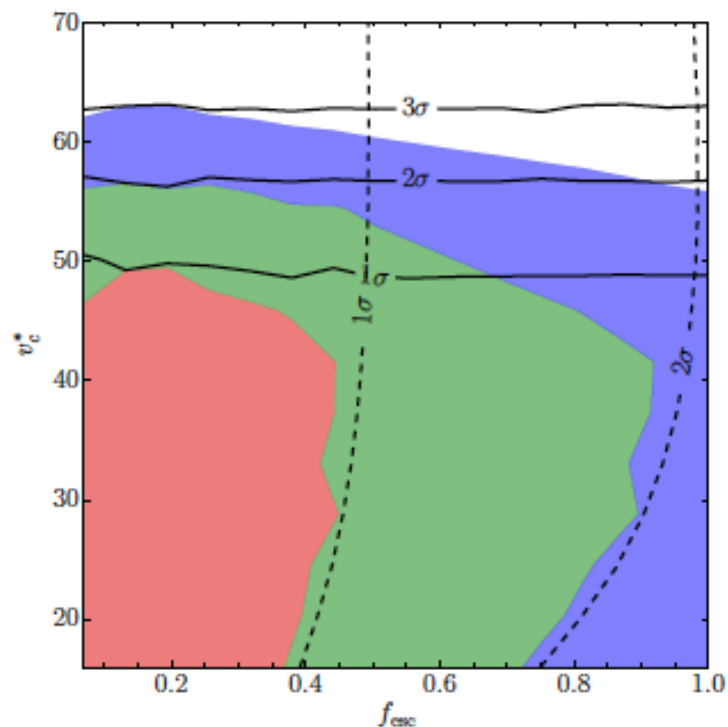
	GC1 ($z = 6.145$) (*)2169	D1 ($z = 6.145$) 2179	D2 ($z = 6.145$) 2411
Models	04:16:11.56	04:16:11.48	04:16:10.31
Proto-GCs	-24:03:44.7	-24:03:43.4	-24:03:25.8
Stellar mass ($10^6 M_{\odot}$)	1, 10	$68_{[21,3273]} \mu_{\text{tot}}^{-1}$	$380_{[368,585]} \mu_{\text{tot}}^{-1}$
SFR ($M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}$)	0.2, 2.0	$54_{[1,165]} \mu_{\text{tot}}^{-1}$	$275_{[131,585]} \mu_{\text{tot}}^{-1}$
Age (Myr)	5	$1.3_{[1,708]}$	$1.4_{[1,3]}$
$E(B-V)$	$\simeq 0$	$\lesssim 0.15$	0.10
R_e (UV) (pc)	16, 35(**)	16 ± 7	140 ± 13
R_c (UV) (pc)	"	< 30	150 ± 20
Σ_{SMD} ($M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$)	800-1720	1400^{+2400}_{-900}	295^{+100}_{-80}
Σ_{SFR} ($M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1} \text{pc}^{-2}$)	$(1.6-3.4)10^{-4}$	2.7×10^{-3}	2.3×10^{-4}
$m(1500 \text{ Å})$	$\simeq 29-32$	31.4 ± 0.2	29.7 ± 0.2
$M(1500 \text{ Å})$	> -17	-15.3	-17.0
β_{UV}	$\lesssim -2.5$	-2.52 ± 0.36	-2.40 ± 0.16
μ_{tot}	-	25.0 ± 2.5	19.0 ± 2.0
μ_{tang}	-	17.5 ± 2.0	13.4 ± 1.5
$f(+)/f(-)$	-	$\simeq 2.5$	$\simeq 2.5$

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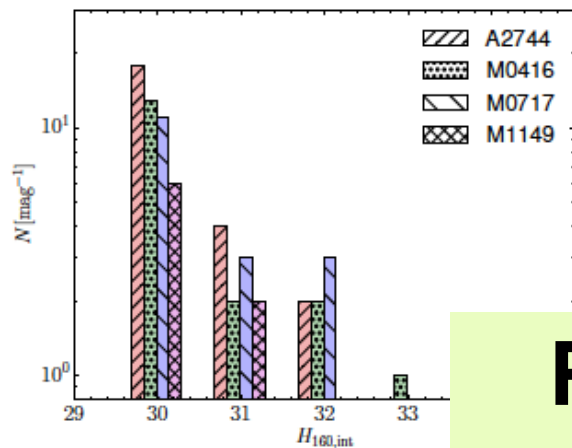


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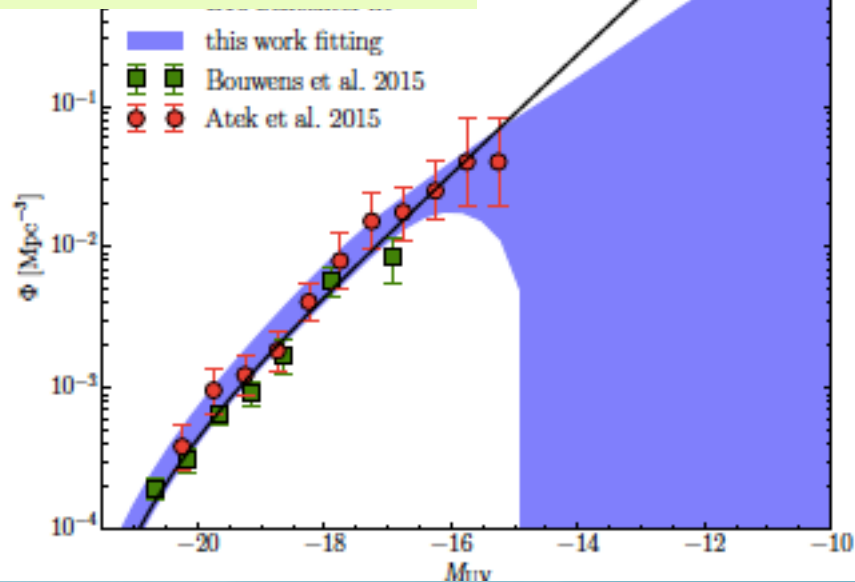
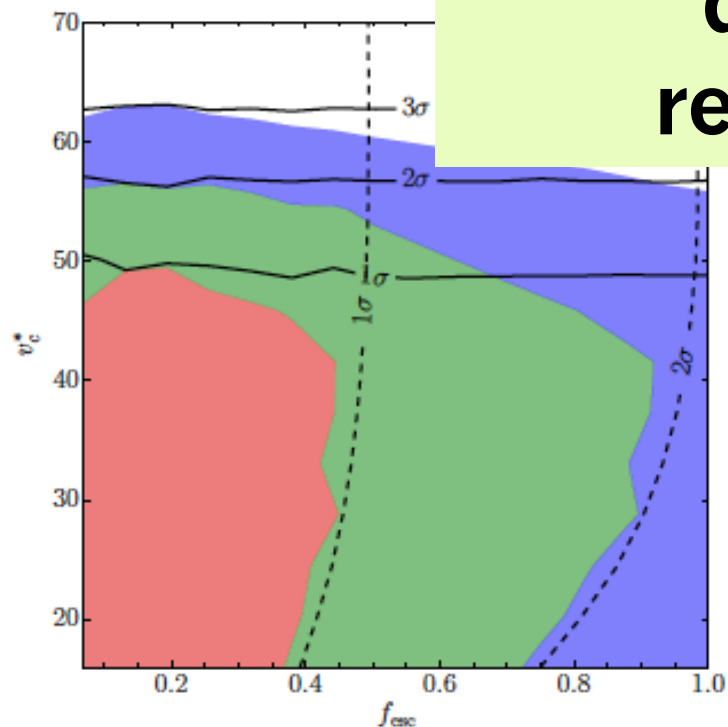
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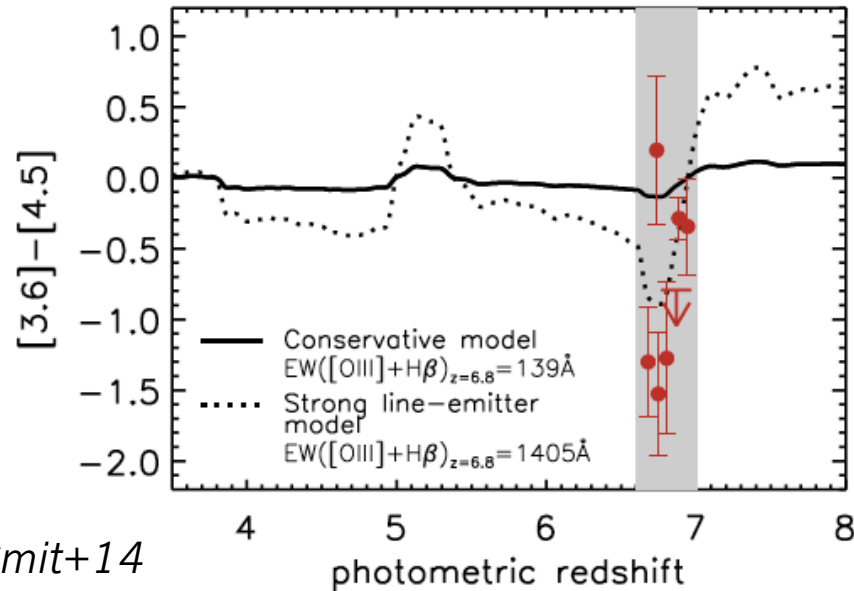
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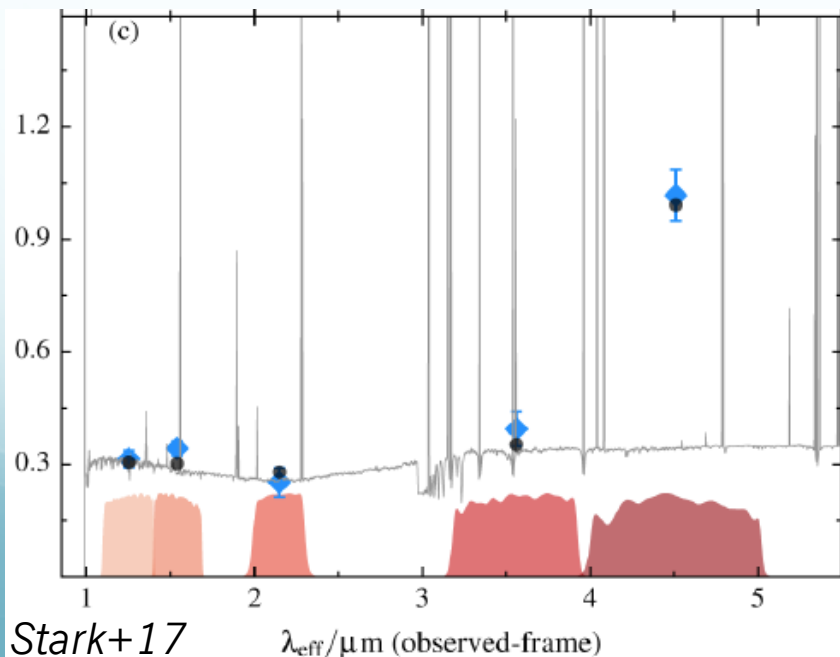
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**Physical properties of
confirmed $z \sim 7$ Ly α galaxies**

A closer look at $z \sim 7$ sources: optical line emission



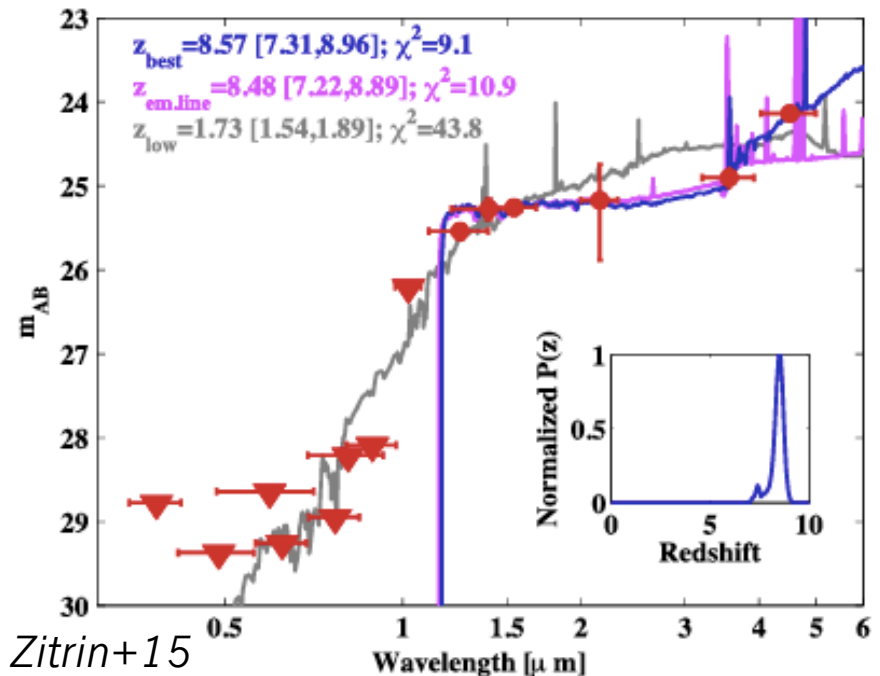
Smit+14



Stark+17

Known evidence for high-EW [OIII]+H β lines from IRAC colors at $z > 6$ (e.g. Labbe et al. 2013, Wilkins et al. 2013, Smit et al. 2014, Roberts-Borsani et al. 2016)

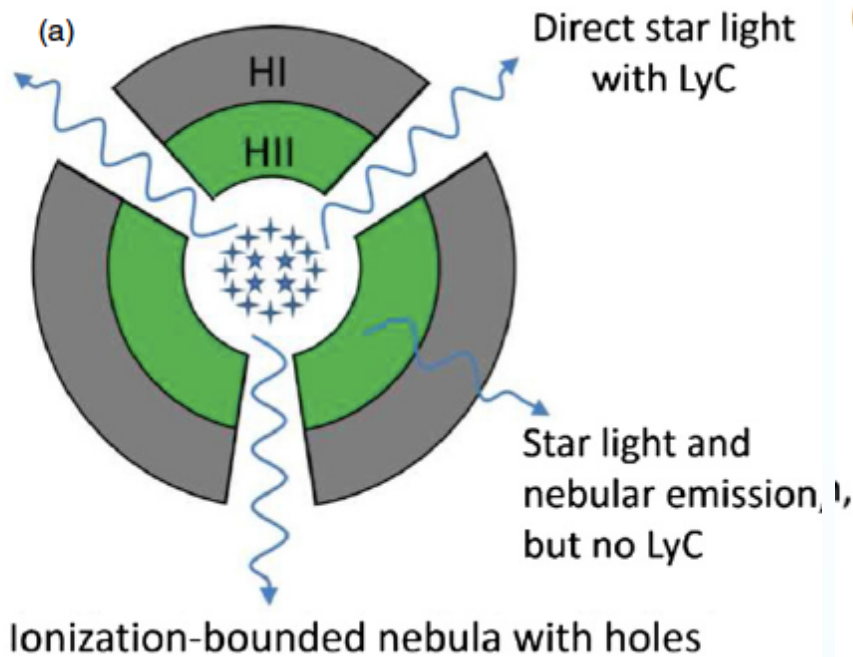
Good redshift indicator



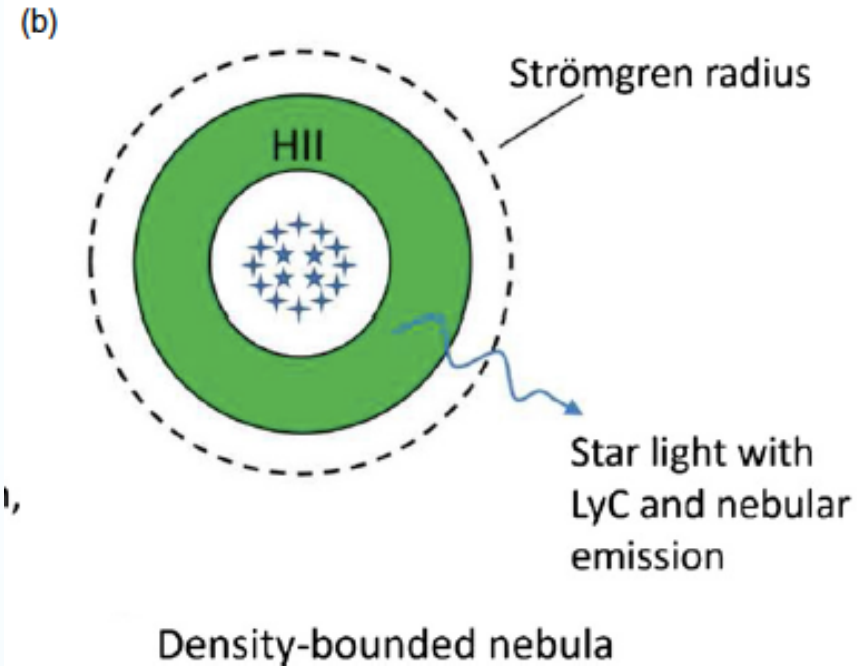
Zitrin+15

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An extreme escape fraction can erase the Ly α line, what about other lines?



Zackrisson et al. 2013



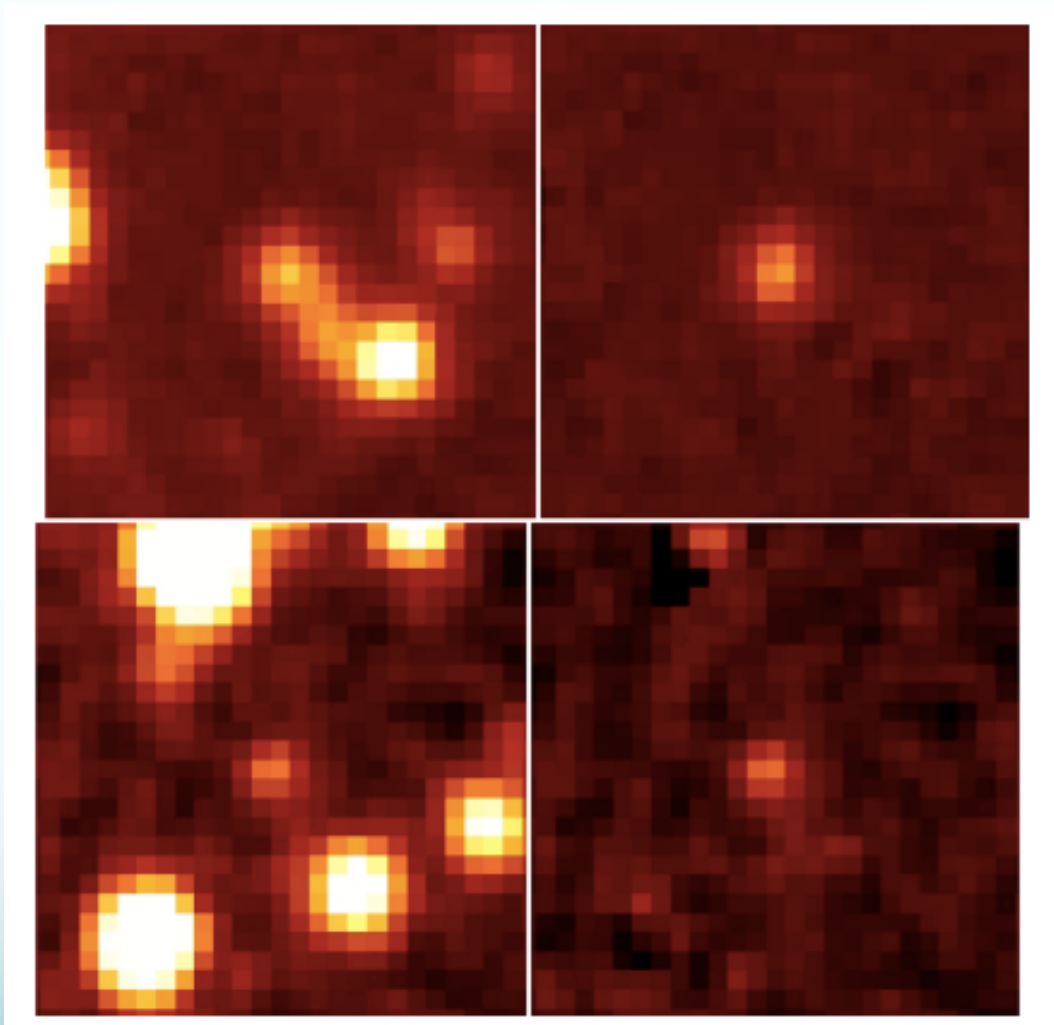
a) Em. lines disappear when $f_{\text{esc}} \rightarrow 1$

b) Strong high ionization lines

Nakajima&Ouchi 2014: high [OIII]/[OII]
see also Stasinska et al 2015

$$L_{\text{lines}} \sim (1 - f_{\text{esc}}) \times Q_i$$

IRAC colours of our deep spectroscopic sample



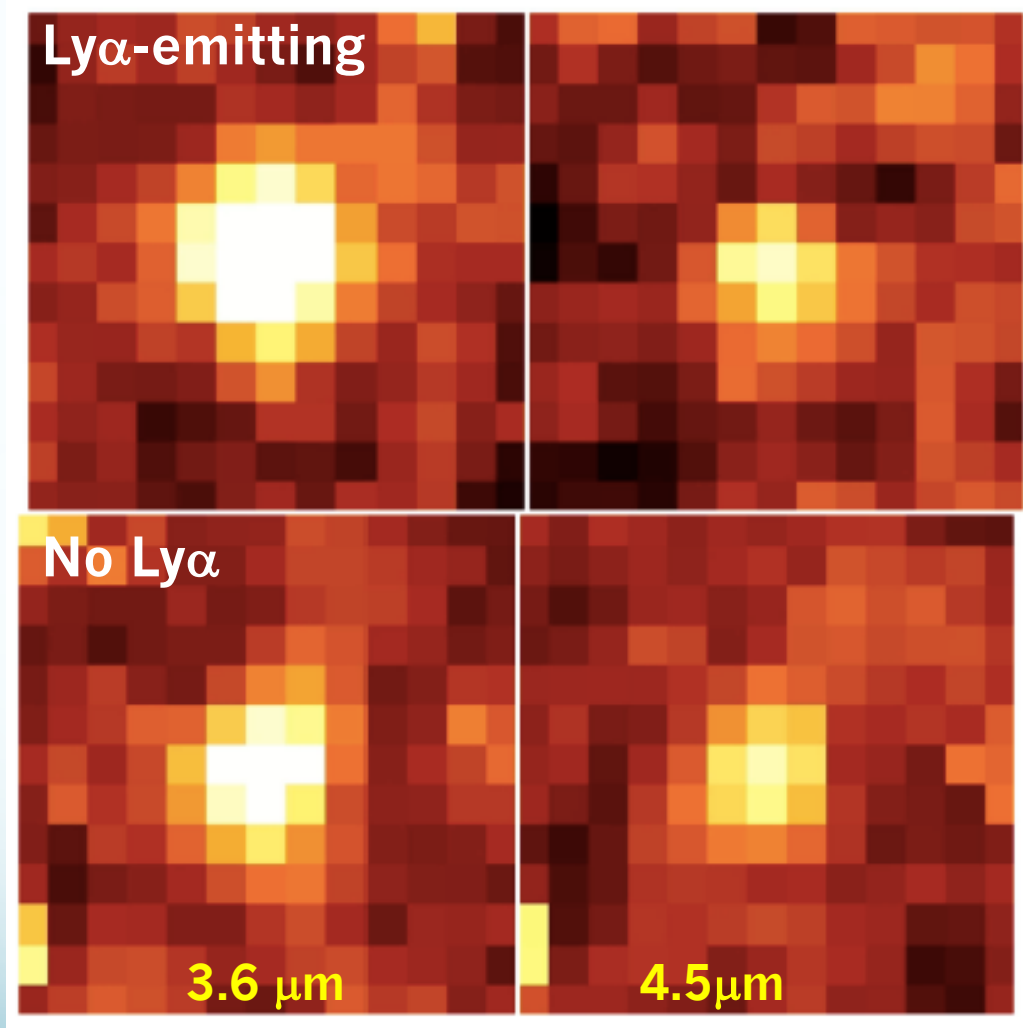
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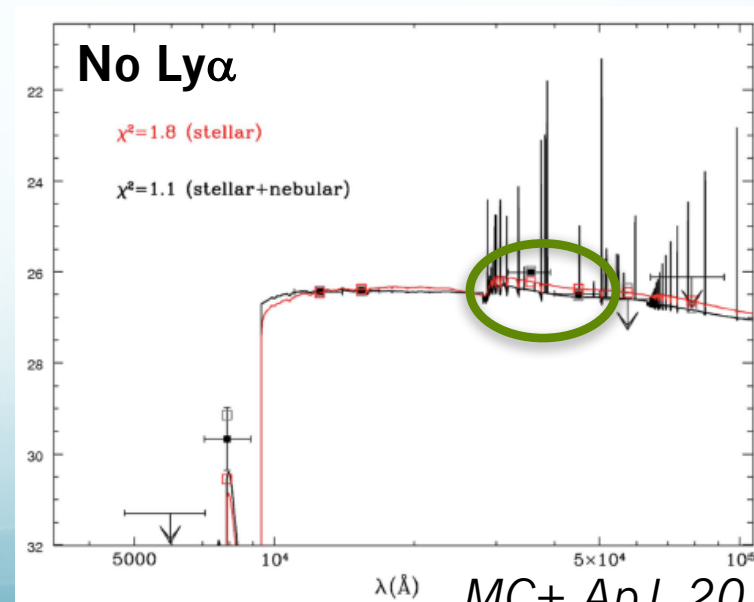
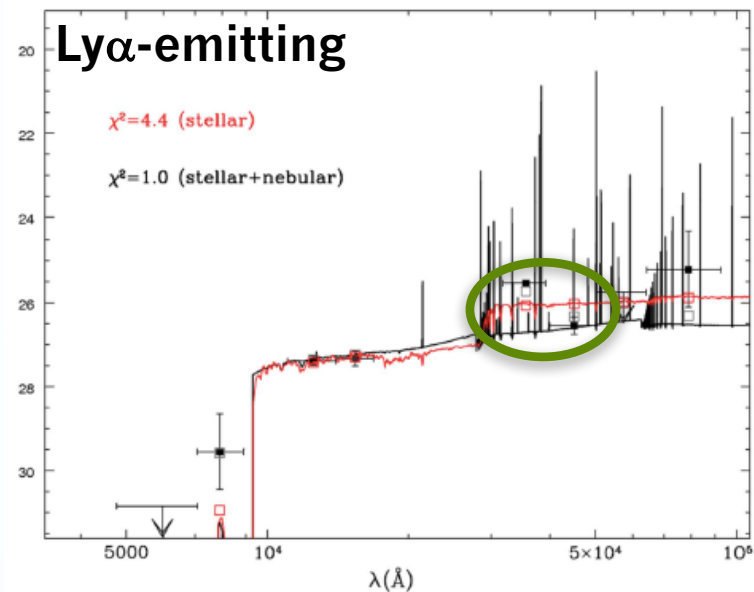
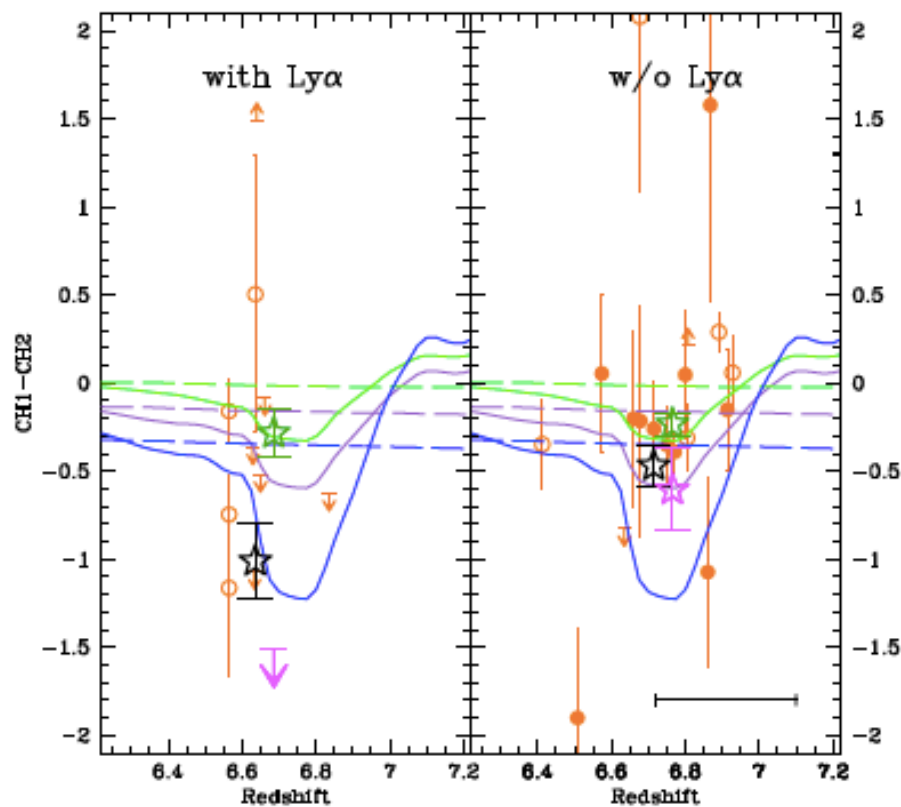
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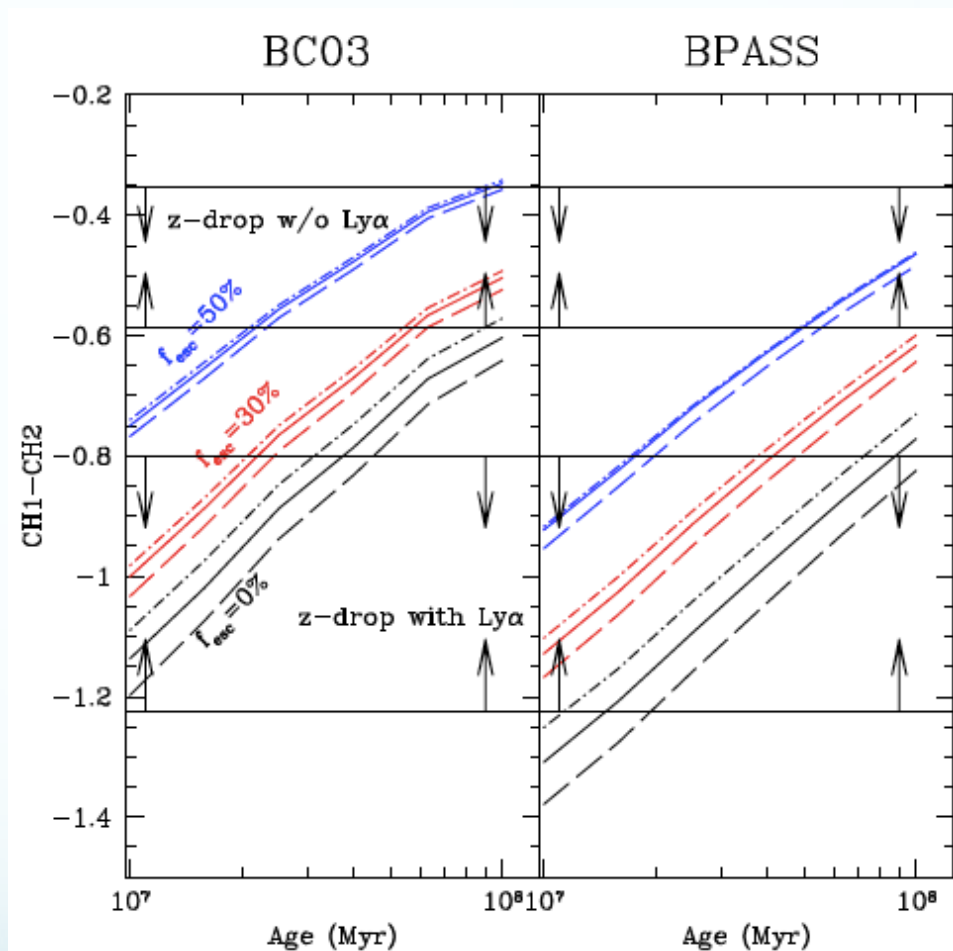
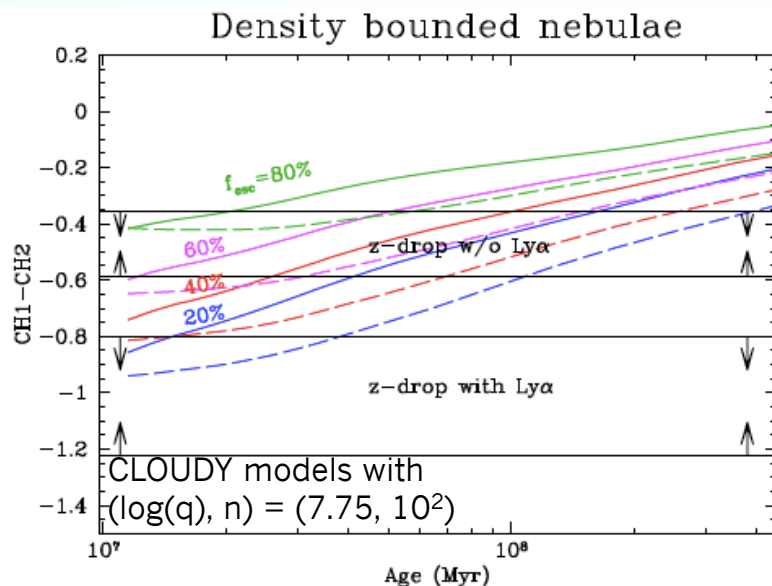
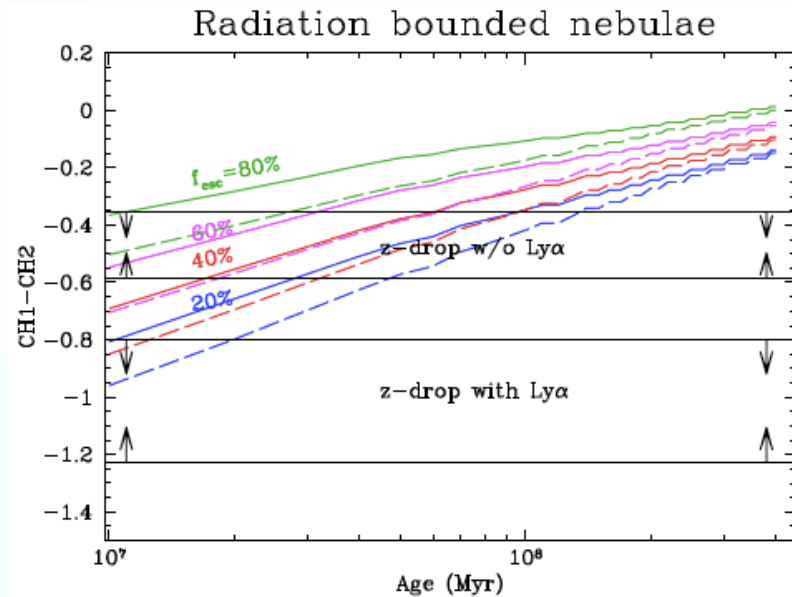
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Evidence of strong optical line emission at $z \sim 7$

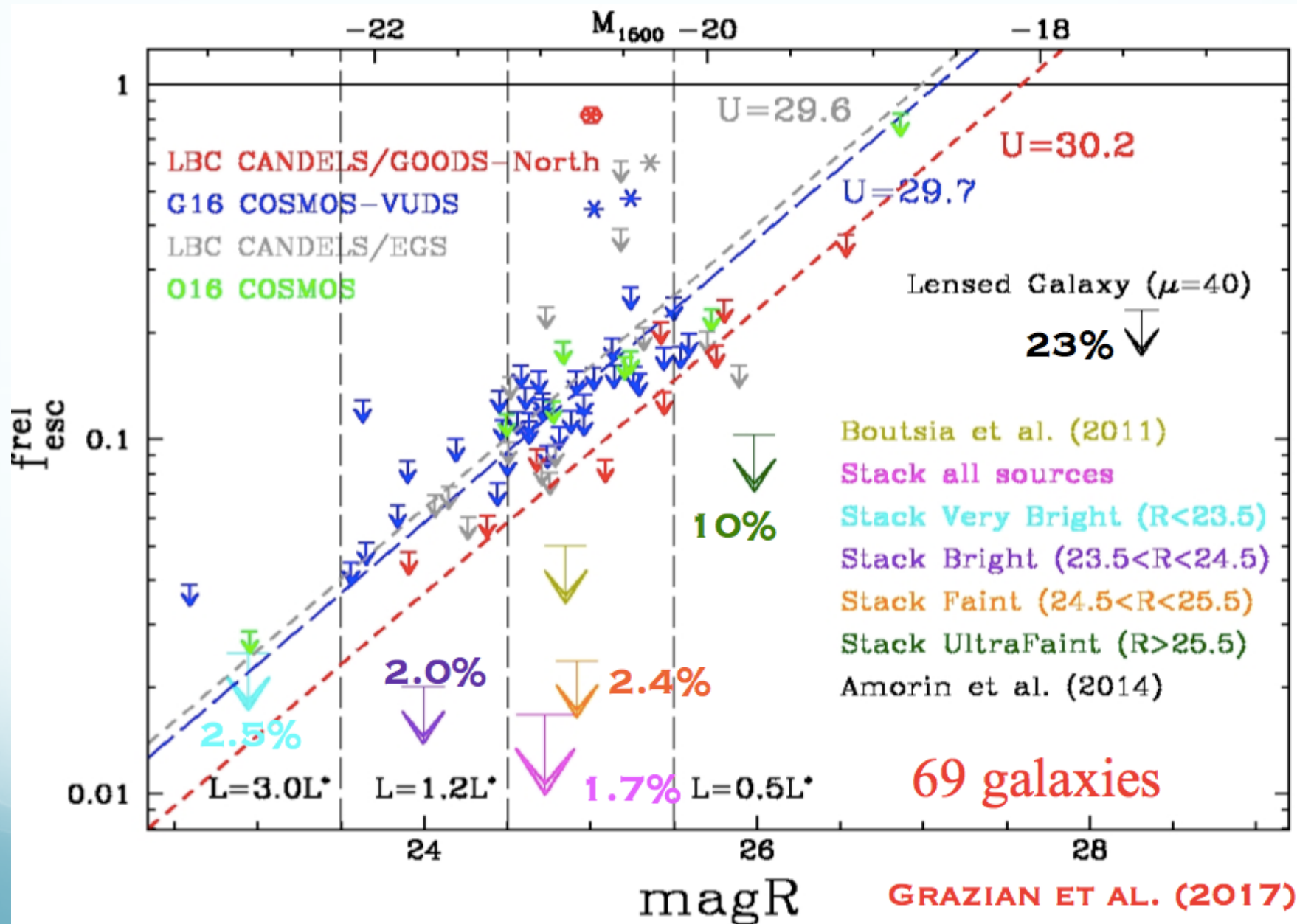


Subsample	CH1-CH2	EW([O III]+H β) ($\text{\AA}$)
Ly α -emitting, all	-1.0 ± 0.21	1500^{+530}_{-440}
Ly α -emitting, bright	-0.28 ± 0.14	290^{+170}_{-150}
Ly α -emitting, faint	< -1.5	> 2900
No Ly α , all	-0.47 ± 0.11	520^{+170}_{-150}
No Ly α , bright	-0.23 ± 0.07	230^{+70}_{-70}
No Ly α , faint	-0.61 ± 0.23	720^{+400}_{-330}

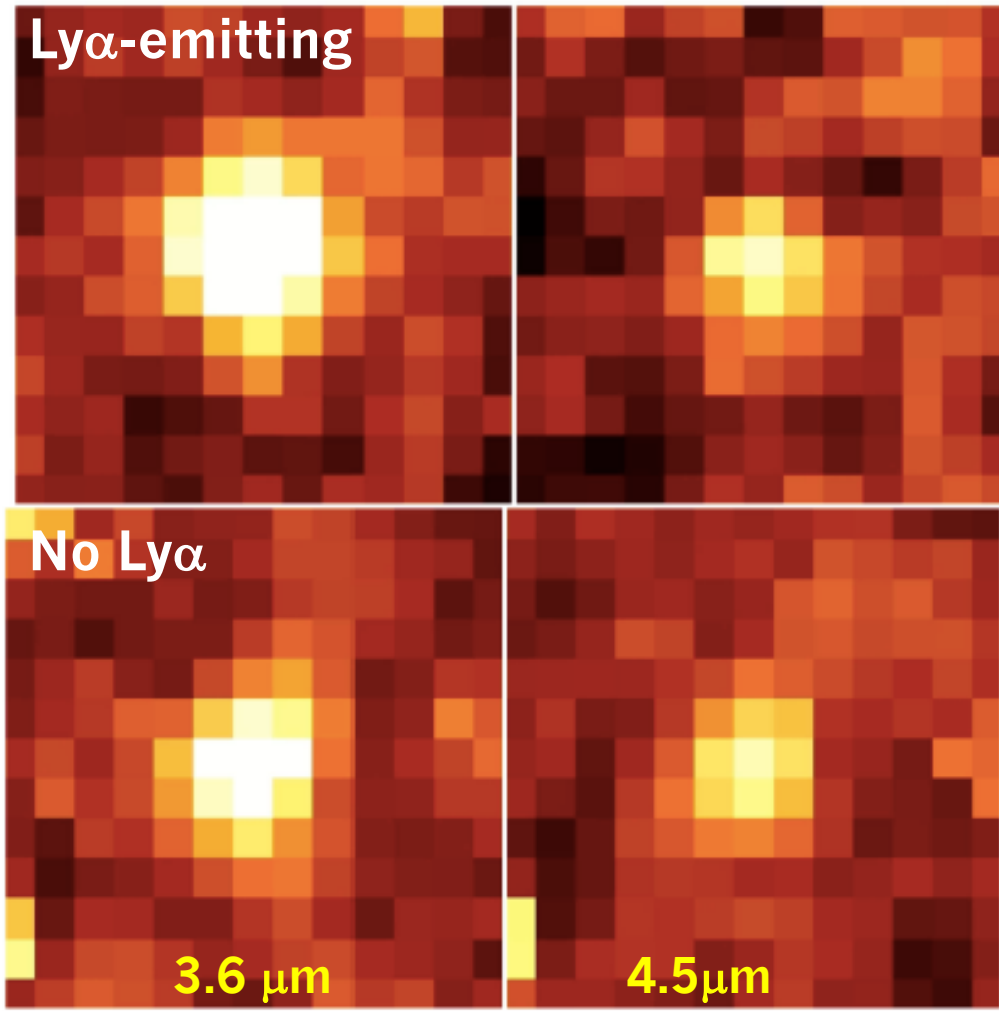
Strong optical line emission: implications on f_{esc}



Dashed, continuous, $\blacktriangle$ and dotted-dashed lines indicate CLOUDY models with $(\log(q \text{ cm s}^{-1}), n \text{ (cm}^{-3})) = (9, 10^3), (9, 10^2)$ and $(7.75, 10^3)$



Strong optical line emission: conclusions



- Evidence of strong [O III]+H β emission in the stacked SEDs of both samples
- Differences possibly due to physical conditions of the H II regions (Ly α -emitting galaxies being younger, metal-poor, or with a lower f_{esc})
- The strong signature of optical line emission of Ly α detected objects yield to $f_{\text{esc}} < 20\%$ (50% under extreme assumptions)
- Only with JWST we can fully constrain the presence of density bounded HII regions (e.g. Zackrisson et al. 2013, Nakajima&Ouchi 2014, De Barros+ 2015)
- Possible f_{esc} increase combined with IGM HI increase (Dijkstra et al. 2014) to explain Ly α drop at $z > 6$

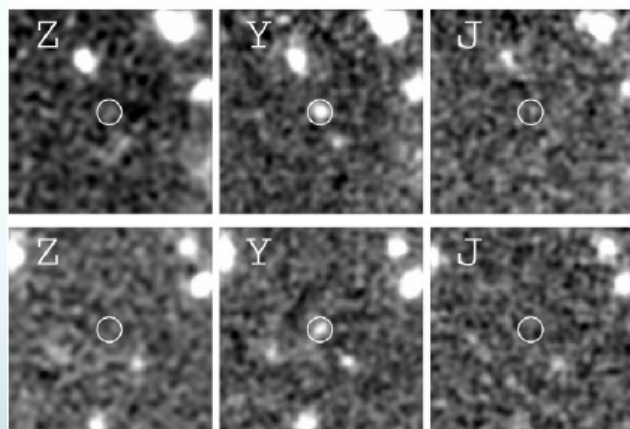
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**The role of (faint) galaxy
clustering**

A space oddity at $z=7$: two close-by LAEs

In the overall paucity of $\text{Ly}\alpha$ lines: one line of sight with twin bright emitters among the 8 l.o.s. investigated in Penttericci+ 14.

The BDF4 field hosts two close-by (4.4 proper Mpc) $\text{EW} > 50 \text{ \AA}$ emitters. Their L_{UV} cannot build a large enough HII region to explain line visibility (Vanzella+11).

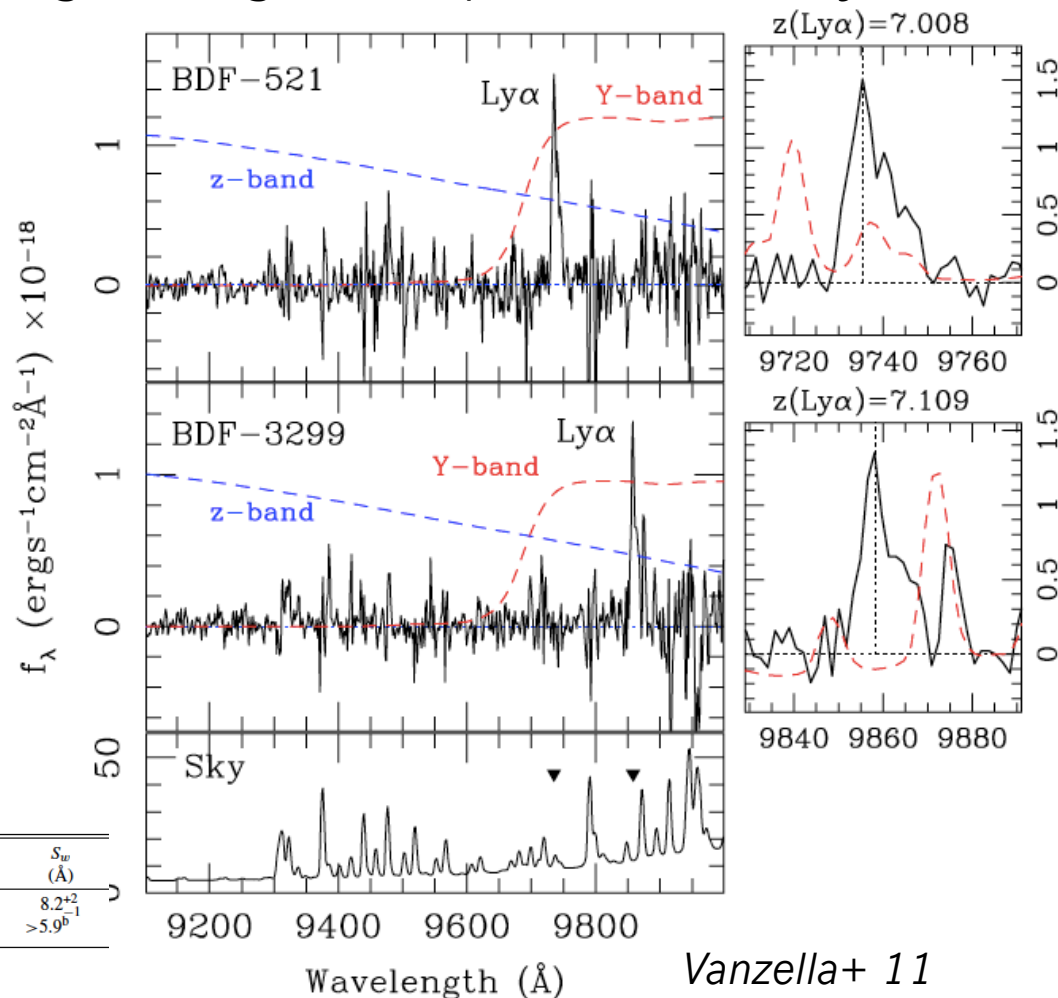
Additional sources required?
(e.g. Dayal+09)



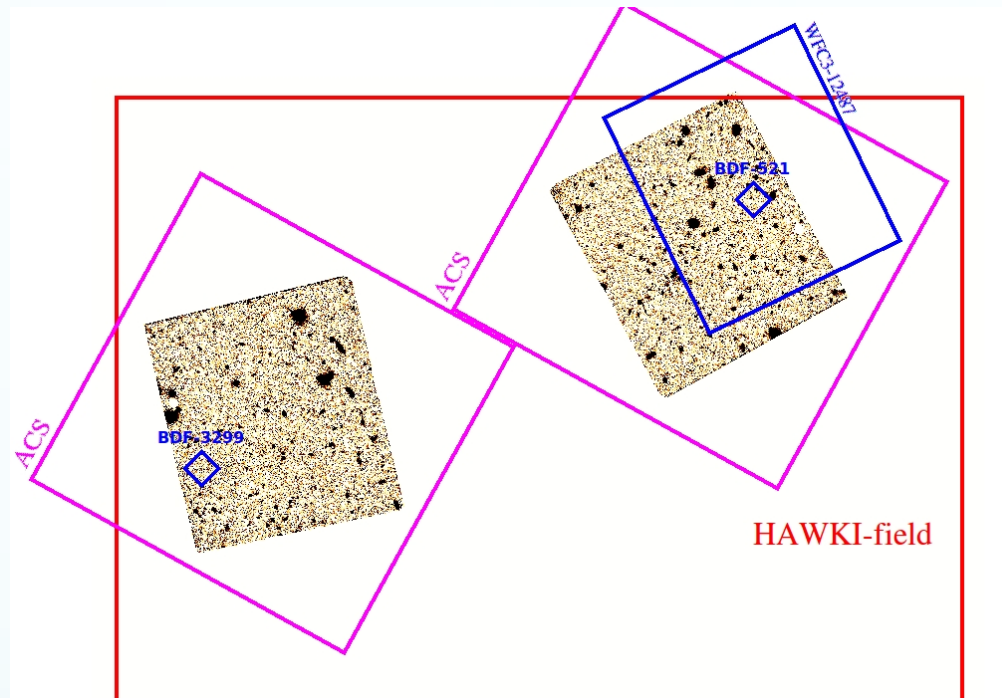
MC+ 10b

ID	R.A., Decl. J2000	Redshift	$f(\text{Ly}\alpha)$	$\text{SFR}(\text{Ly}\alpha)$ ($M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$)	EW_{rest} ($\text{\AA}$)	FWHM^a (km s^{-1})	S_w ($\text{\AA}$)
BDF-521	336.9444, -35.1188	7.008 ± 0.002	1.62 ± 0.16	8.5	64	240	8.2^{+2}_{-1}
BDF-3299	337.0511, -35.1665	7.109 ± 0.002	1.21 ± 0.14	6.6	50	200	$> 5.9^b$

Notes. $f(\text{Ly}\alpha)$ in units of $10^{-17} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ \AA}^{-1}$.



A closer look at the BDF region with HST

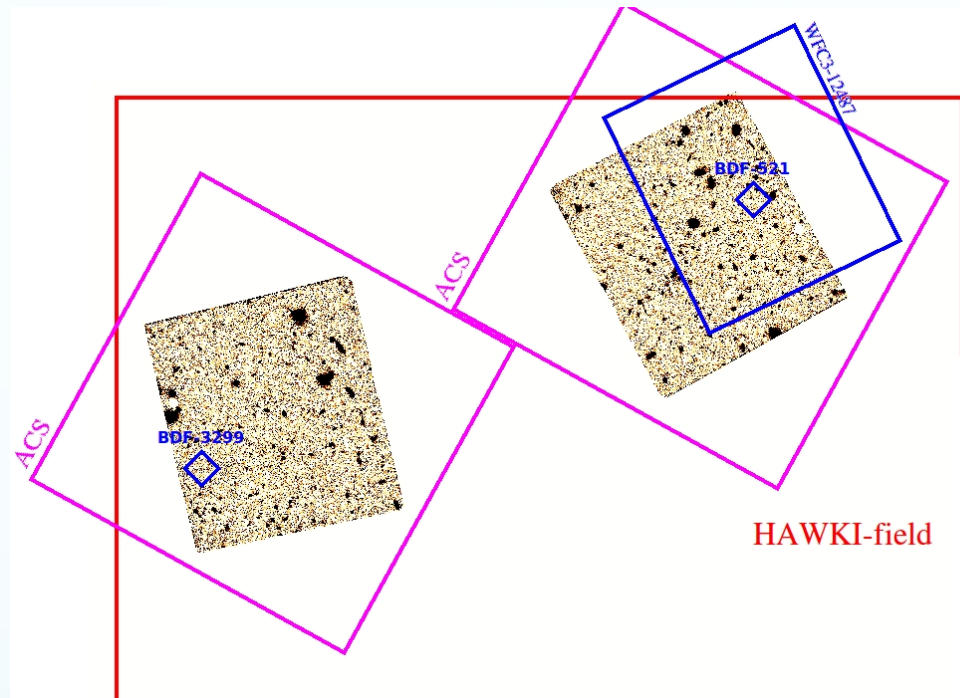


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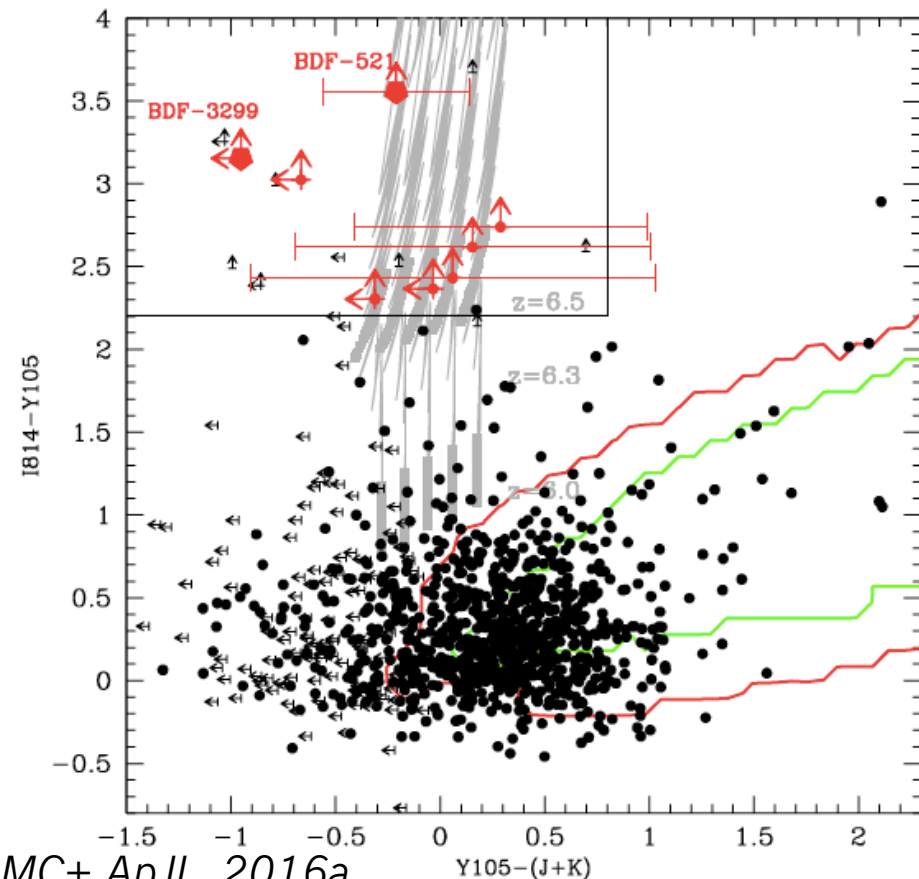
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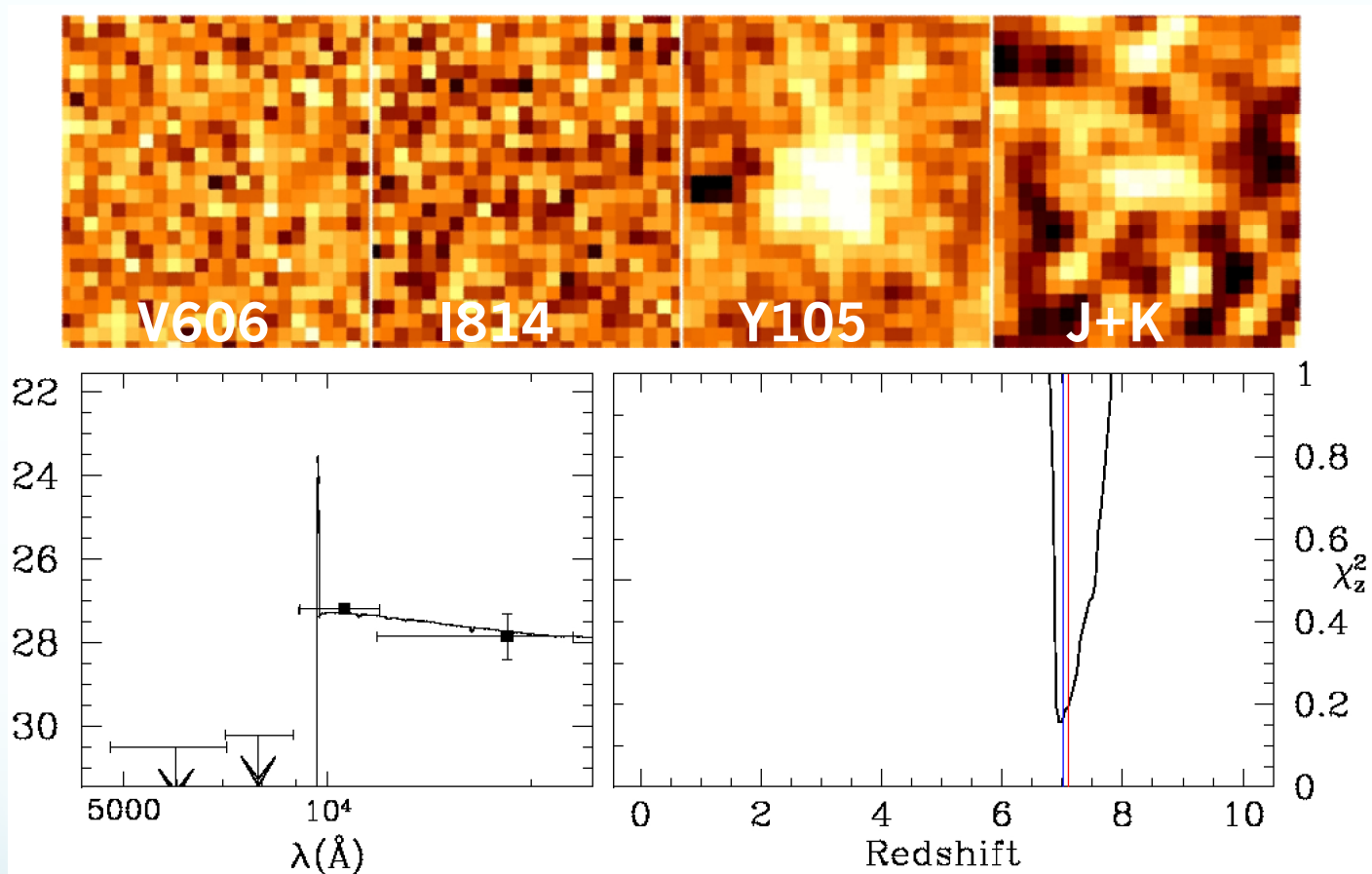
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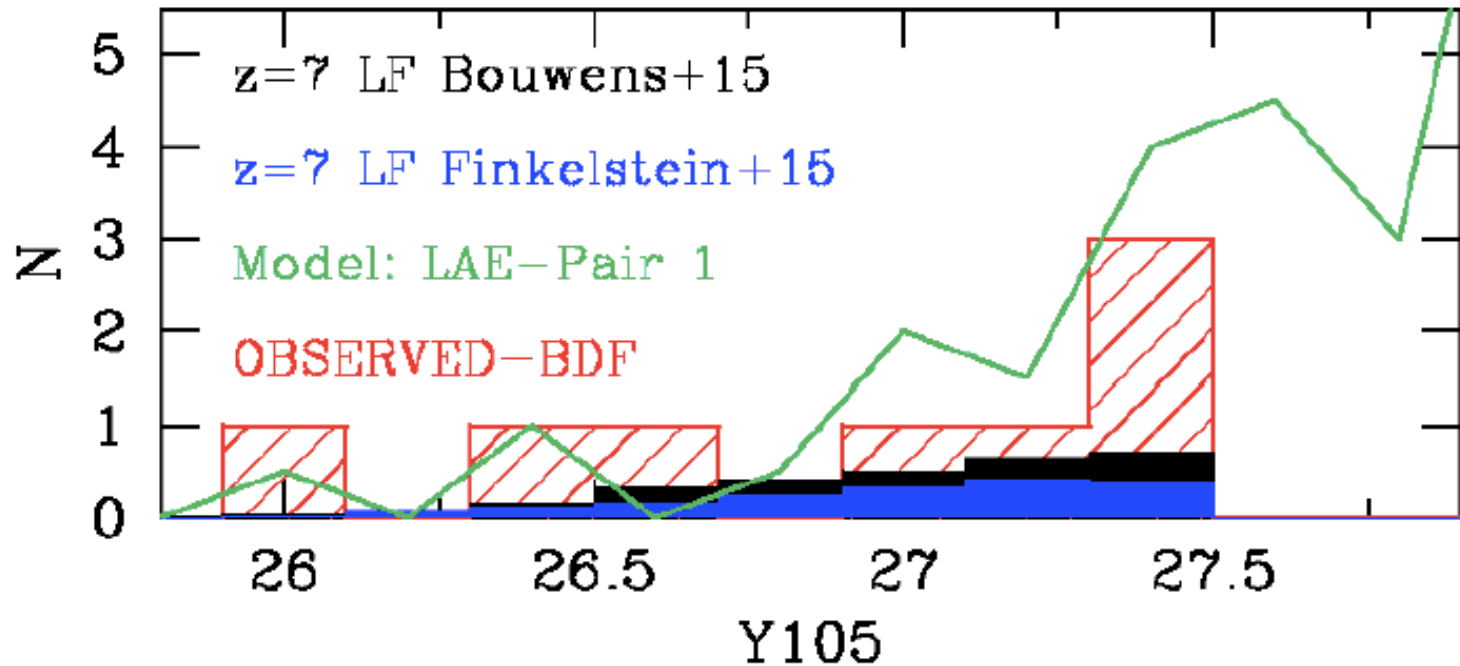
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Stacking of the six new LBGs: V606 and I814 undetected at >30.2 mag, $I814-Y105 > 3$, $S/N \sim 2$ detection in J+K.

$z_{\text{phot}} = 6.95$. Consistent with the objects being at the same z of the emitters.

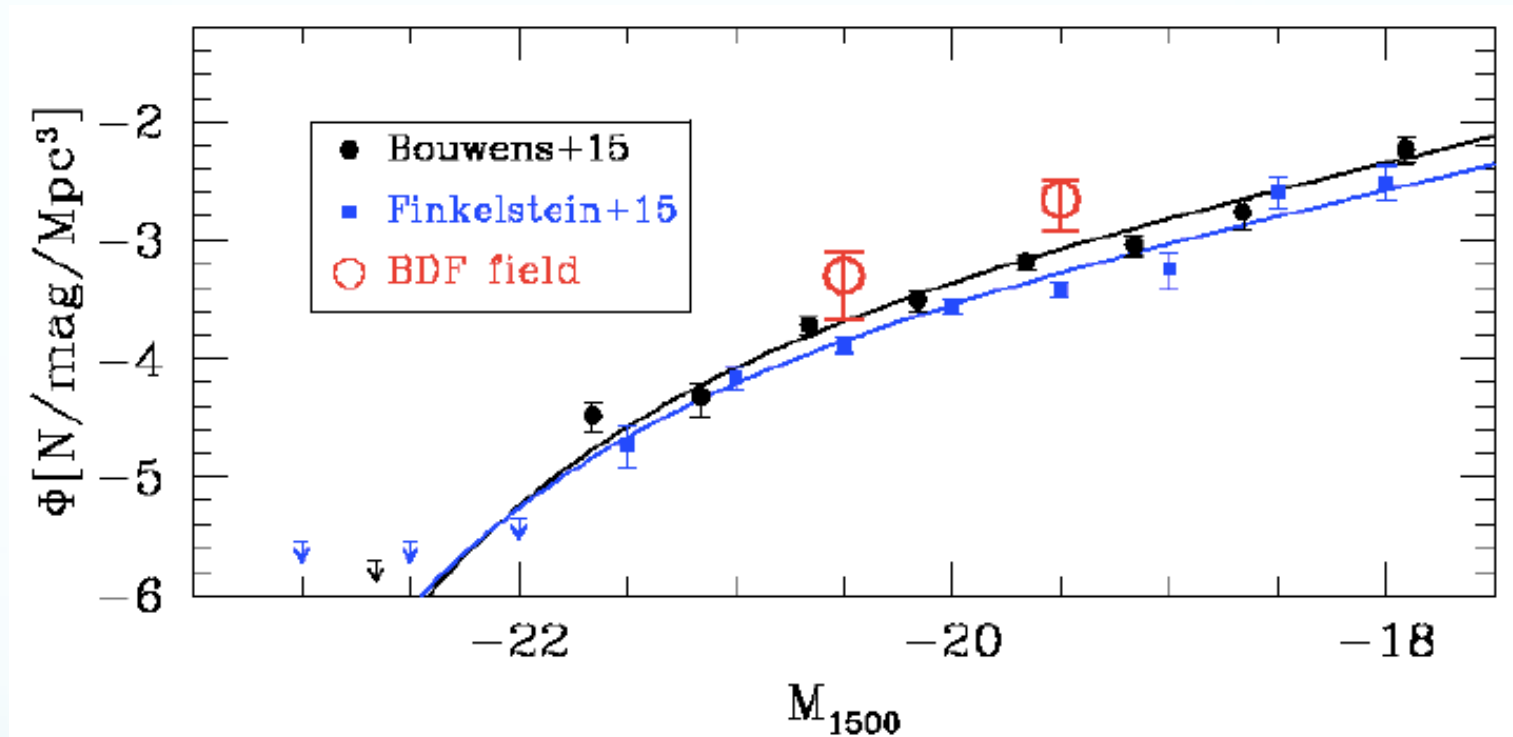
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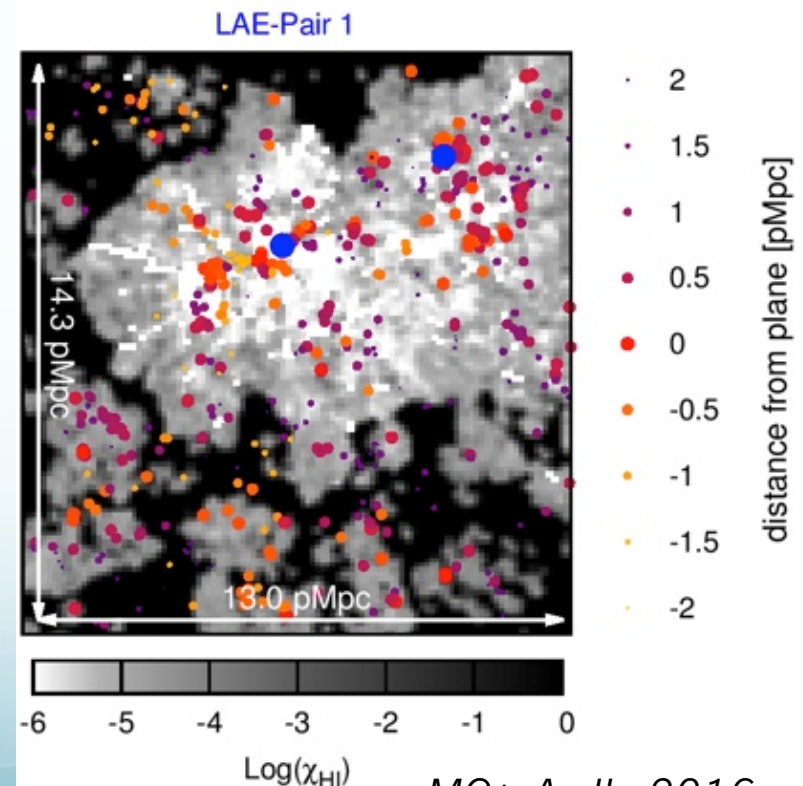
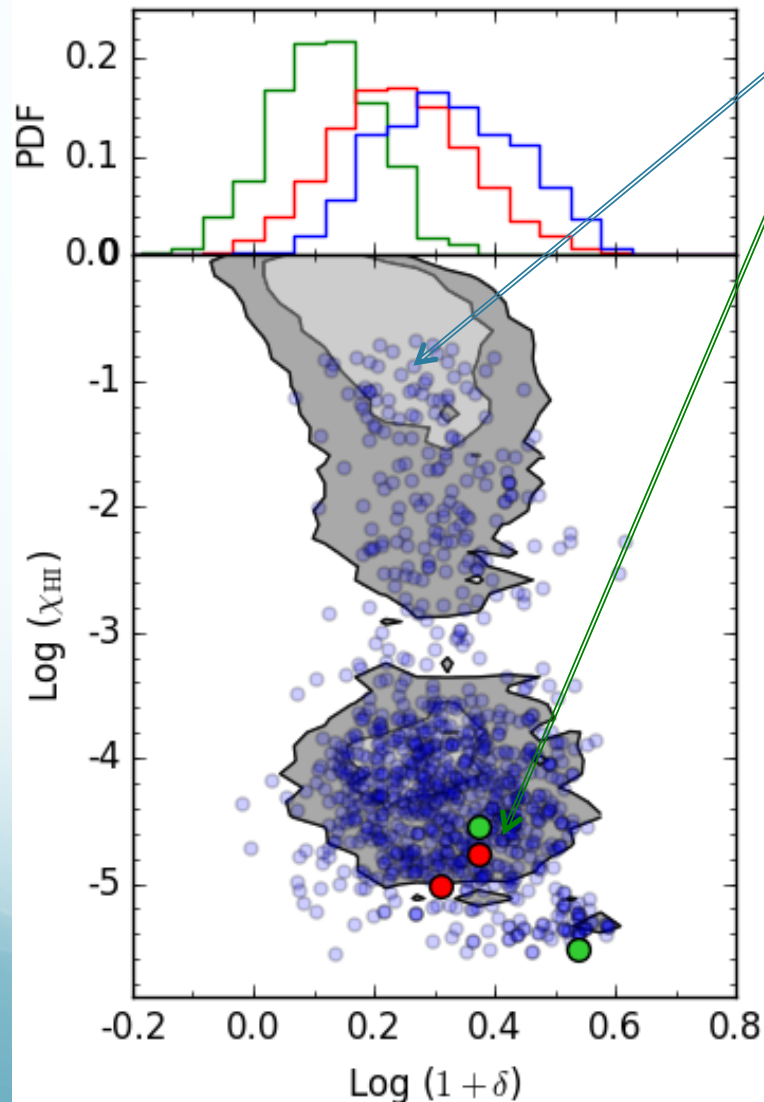
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The BDF field is 3-4x overdense wrt average: consistent with a positive relation between line visibility and galaxy density as in *inside-out reionization scenarios*. (e.g. McQuinn+ 07, Wyithe&Loeb 07, Dayal+ 09).

Connection between reionization and overdensities

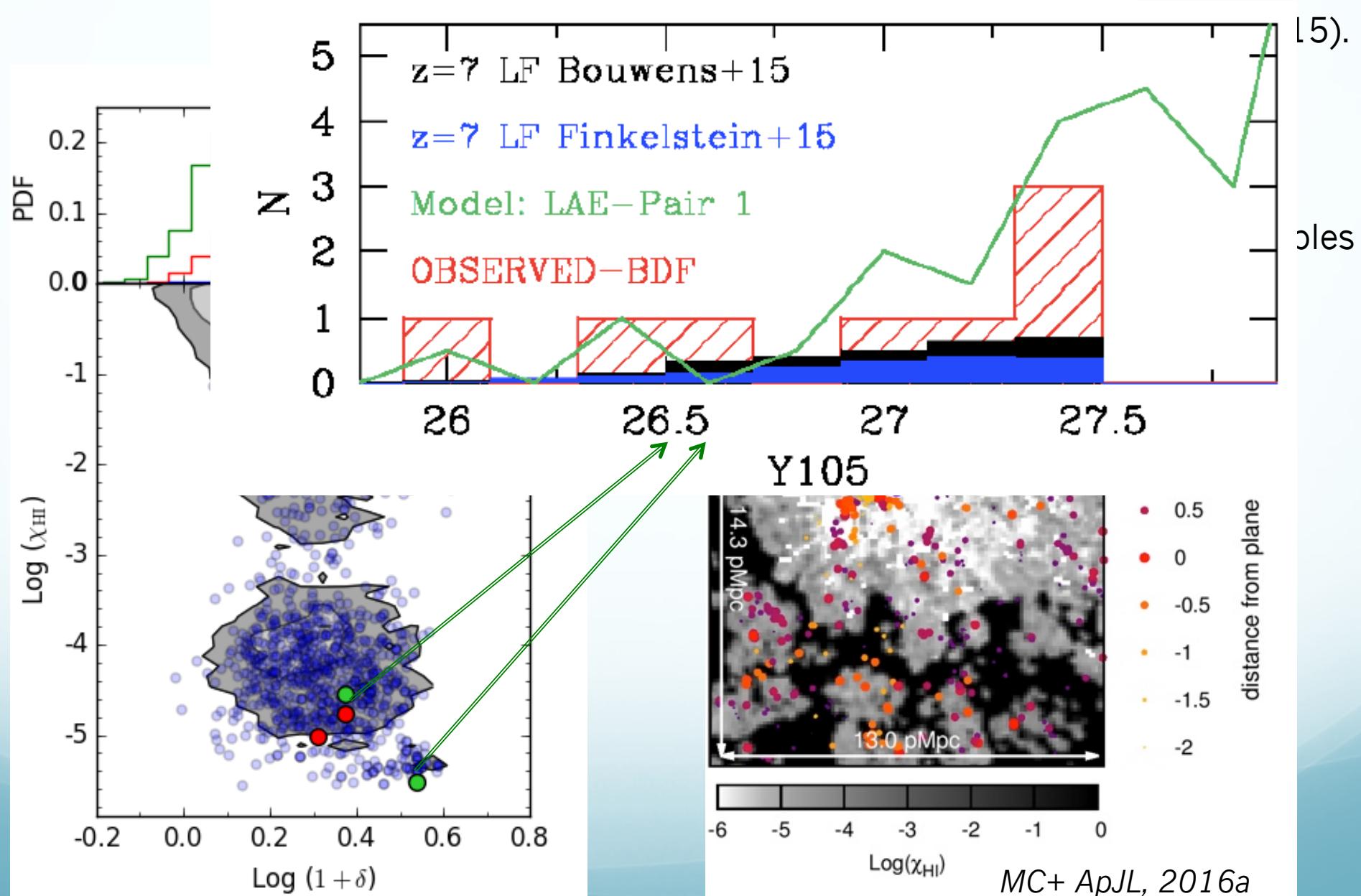
Comparison with SPH model (Hutter+14,+15).

- Relation between density and HI fraction
- LAE pairs live in overdense regions with low HI
- BDF analogs are reionized, overdense bubbles

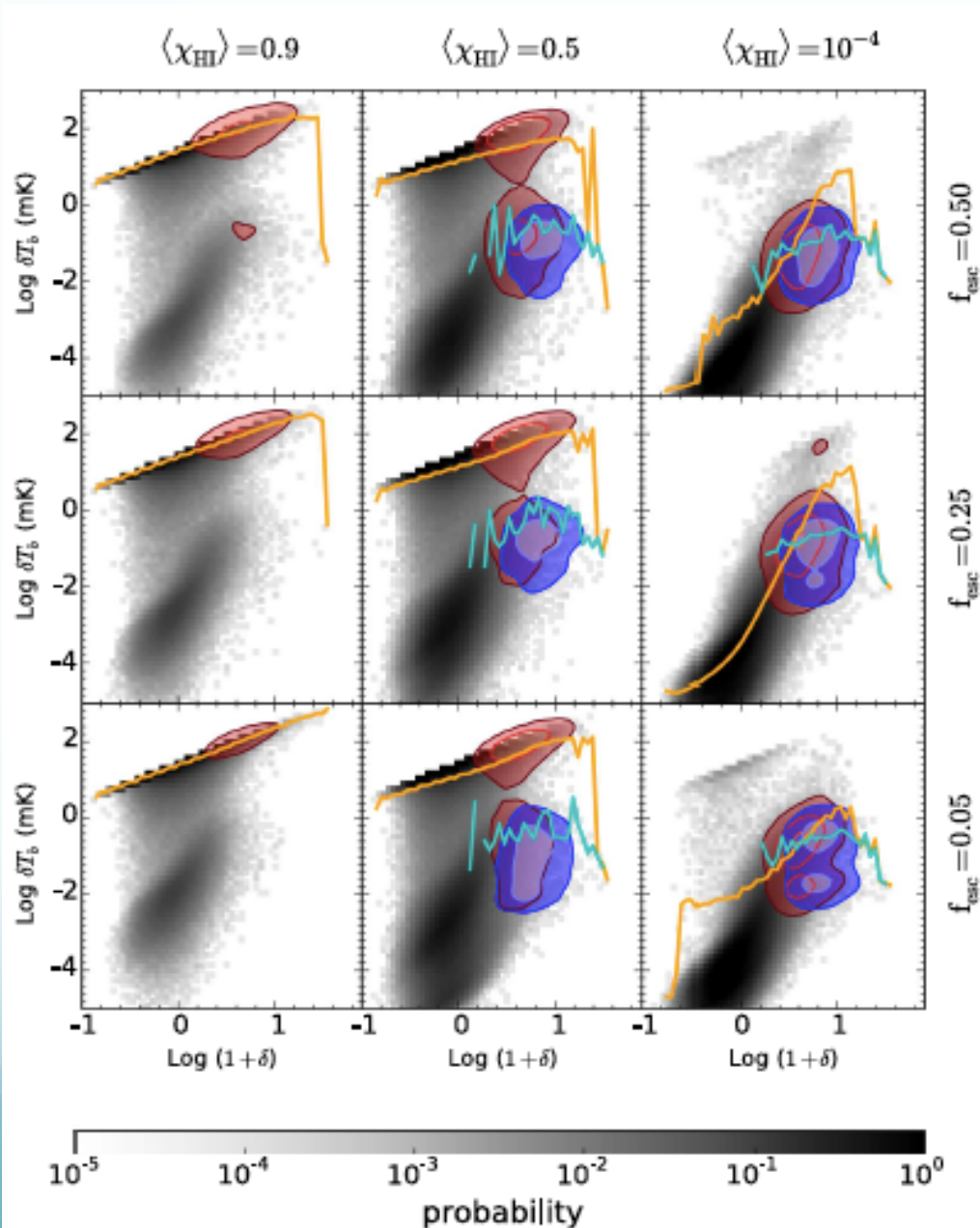


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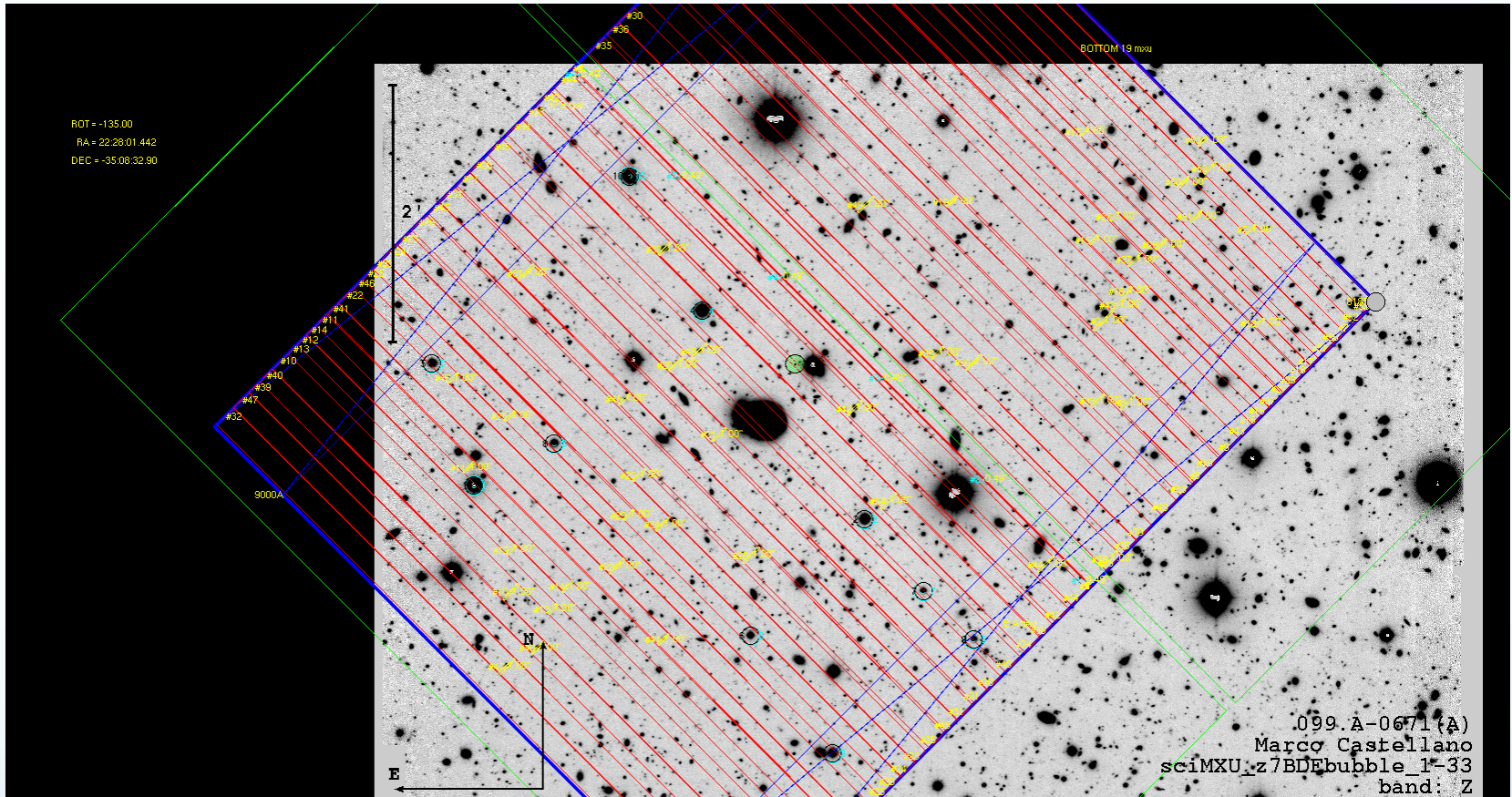
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Hot topic for the near future!

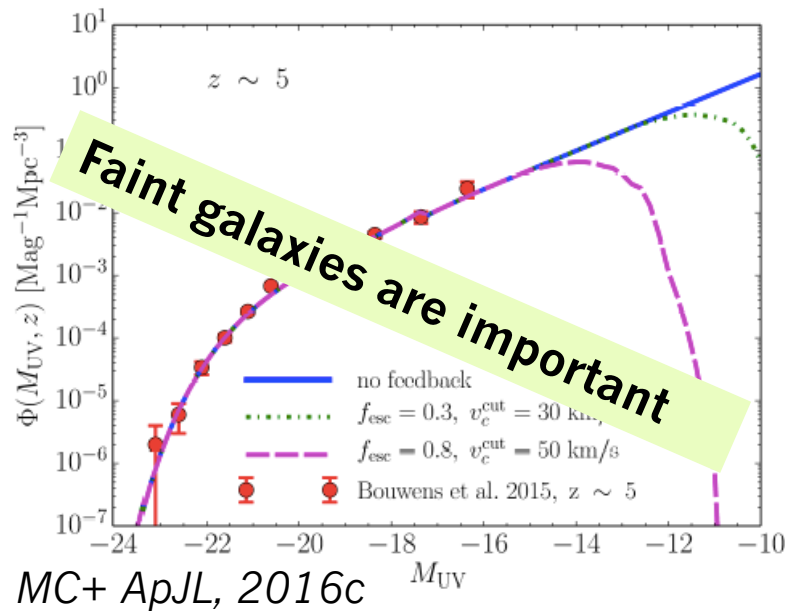
Connecting galaxy overdensity, reionization scenarios and 21cm signal with SKA (Hutter+16).

Spectroscopic follow-up is ongoing...



Awarded 33 hrs FORS2@VLT, program is near completion

Summary and conclusions

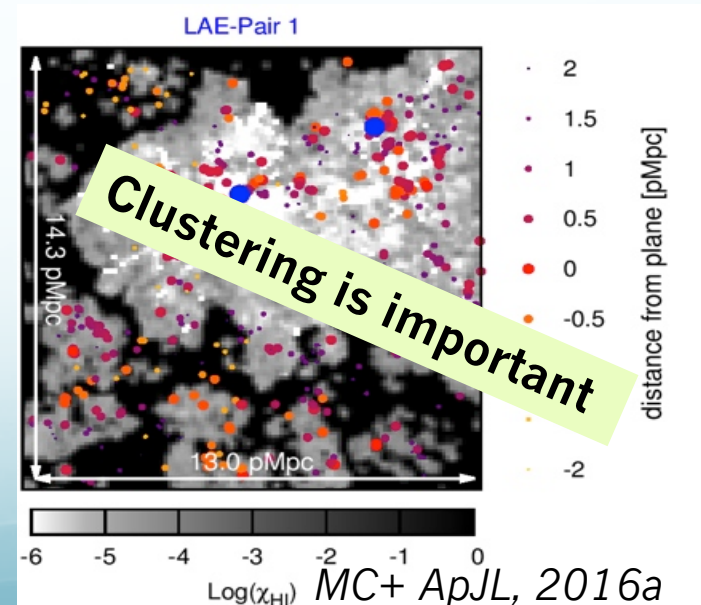
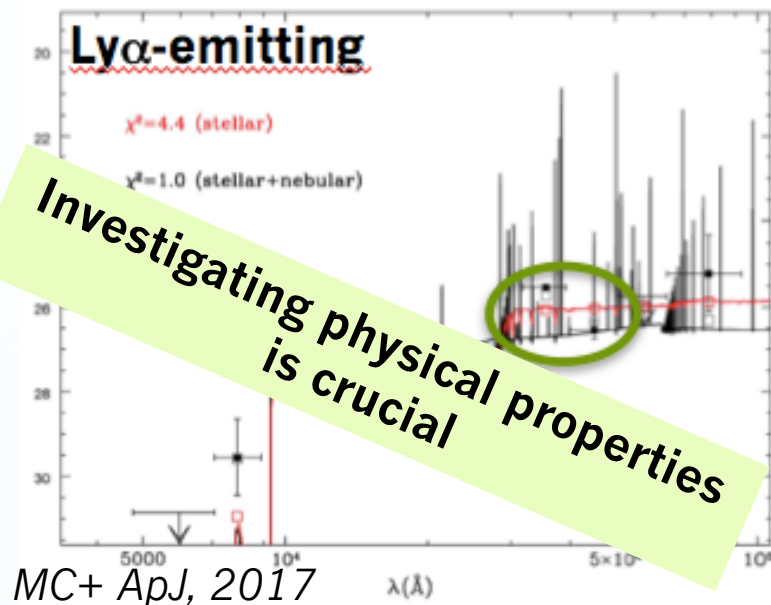


1) No evident cut-off of the UV LF at $M_{UV} < -15$: favours faint galaxy-driven reionization.

2) Evidence of strong optical line emission in faint $z \sim 7$ galaxies disfavors high f_{esc}

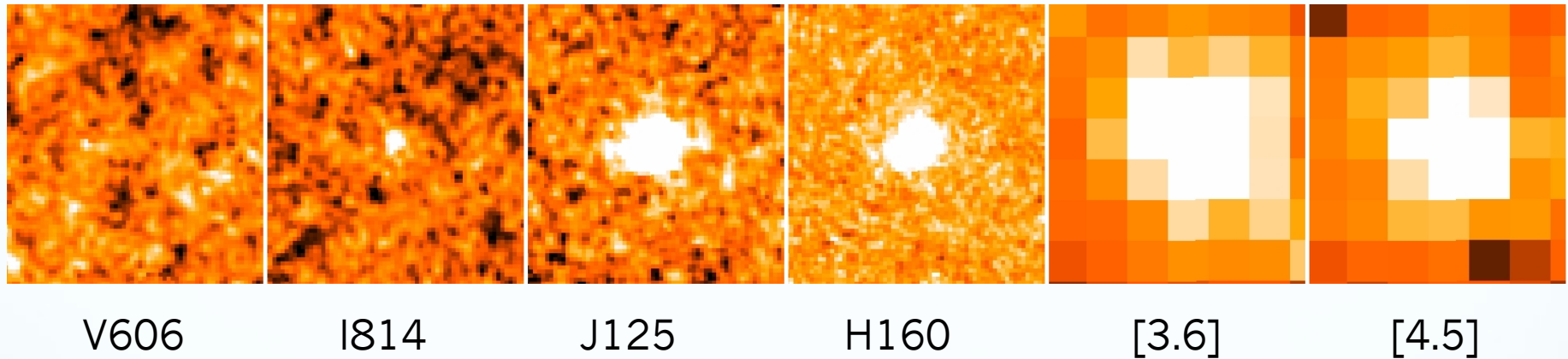
3) Two close-by $z \sim 7$ LAEs in the BDF field are embedded in an overdensity: connection between clustered faint galaxies and first “bubbles”.

We really need JWST to 1) go deeper into the LF; 2) constrain HII properties; 3) confirm relation between clustering and Ly α visibility



BACKUP SLIDES

IRAC colours of our deep spectroscopic sample



Stacking of IRAC bands, main concern: *confusion/blending/overlapping* of sources due to low resolution.

Close-by sources “removed” with **T-PHOT** (Merlin+2015, <http://www.astrodeep.eu/t-phot/>)

A closer look at $z \sim 7$ sources: optical line emission

Possible explanations for the $\text{Ly}\alpha$ drop:

1) There is an increase in the amount of neutral hydrogen in the surrounding IGM that quenches the $\text{Ly}\alpha$ emission.

→ Assuming no change in galaxy properties $X_{\text{HI}} \sim 0.5$ at $z \sim 7$

2) There is an increase in the Lyman Continuum escape fraction.

3) There is a sudden increase in dust extinction.

4) A significant fraction ($> 60\text{-}70\%$) of selected galaxies is not at $z \sim 7$.

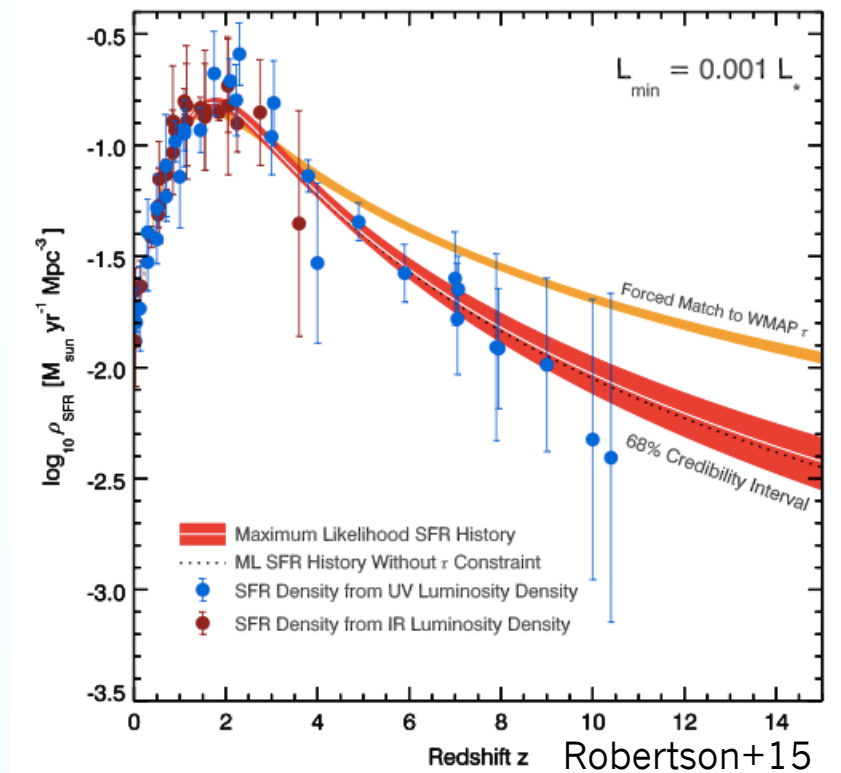
Possibly V-faint low- z galaxies showing extreme line emission that can mimic the Lyman break (e.g. Hayes et al. 2012).

Sources of HI Reionizing emission

“Normal” star-forming galaxies?

Emission from second generation stars in star forming galaxies leaking into the IGM.

AGNs? Rapid decline at $z > 2.5$ (e.g. Cowie+ 09), but evidence that faint end slope is steeper than previously thought (Fiore et al. 2011, Giallongo et al. 2012, 2015).



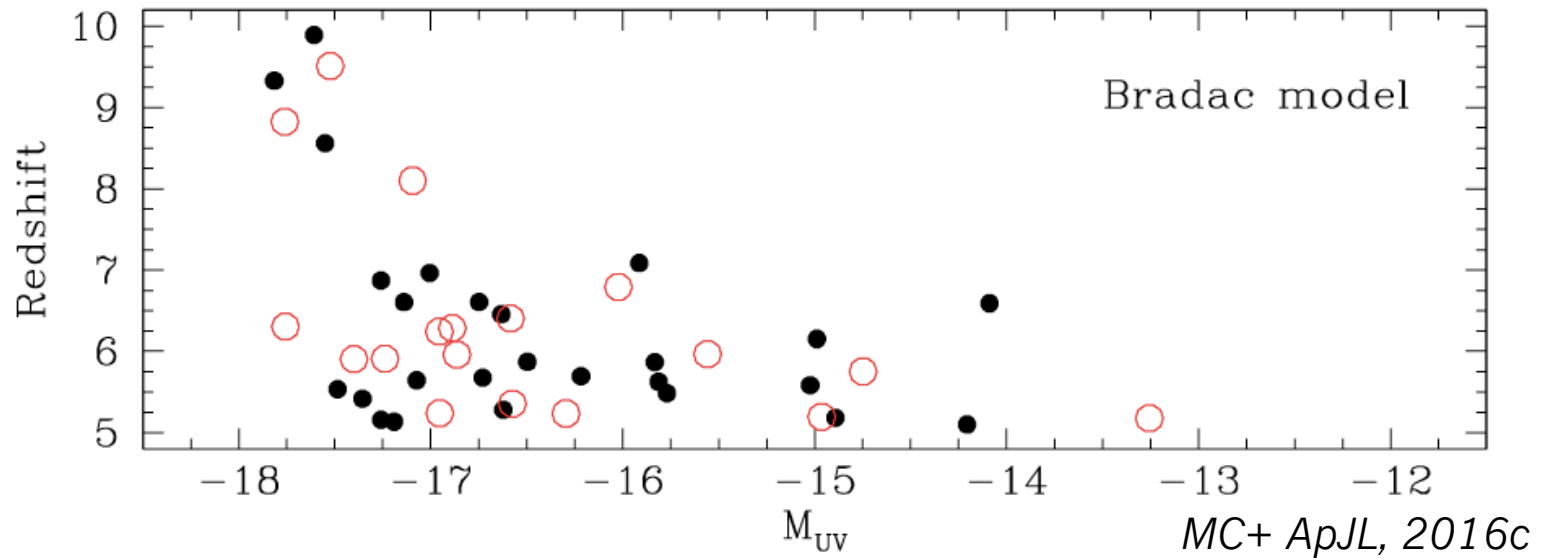
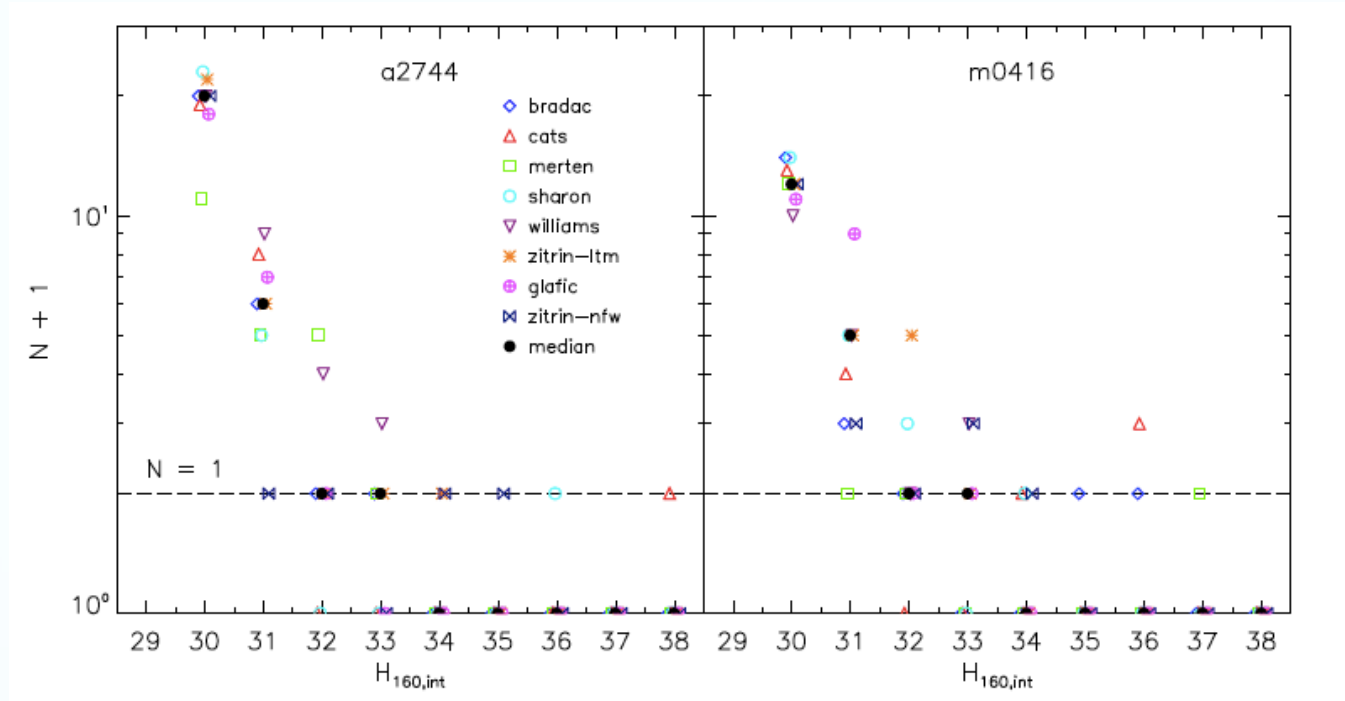
Still unknown sources ?

MiniQSOs (e.g. Madau et al. 2004)
PopIII emission (e.g. Vankatesan 2003, Pan 2012), Dark matter annihilation (Liu et al. 2016)

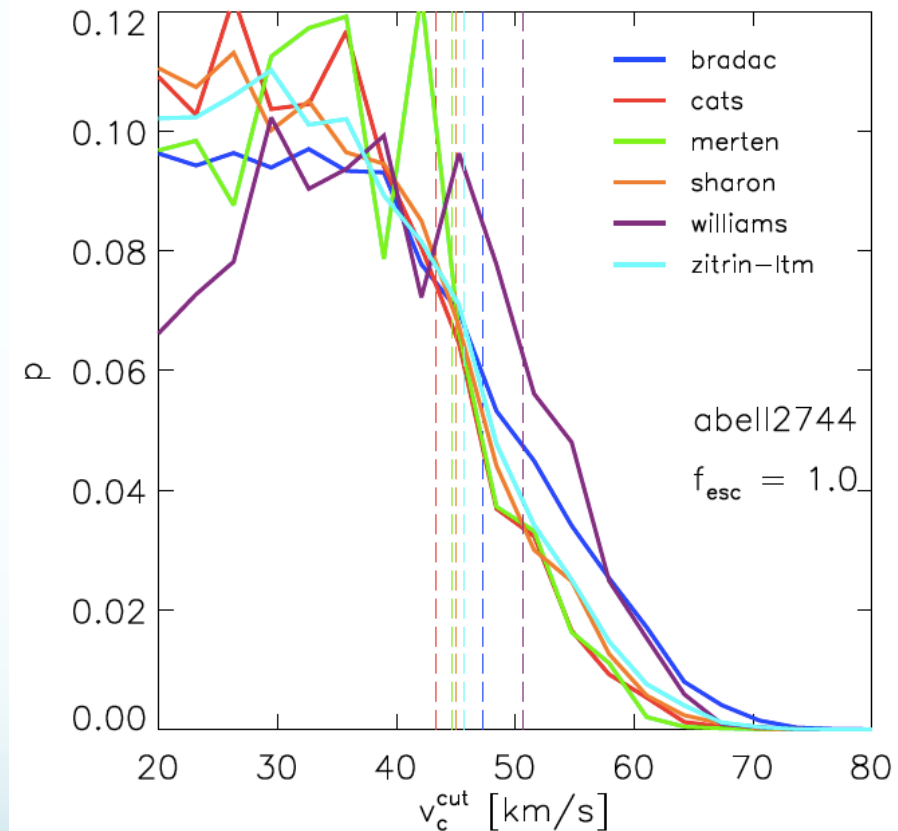
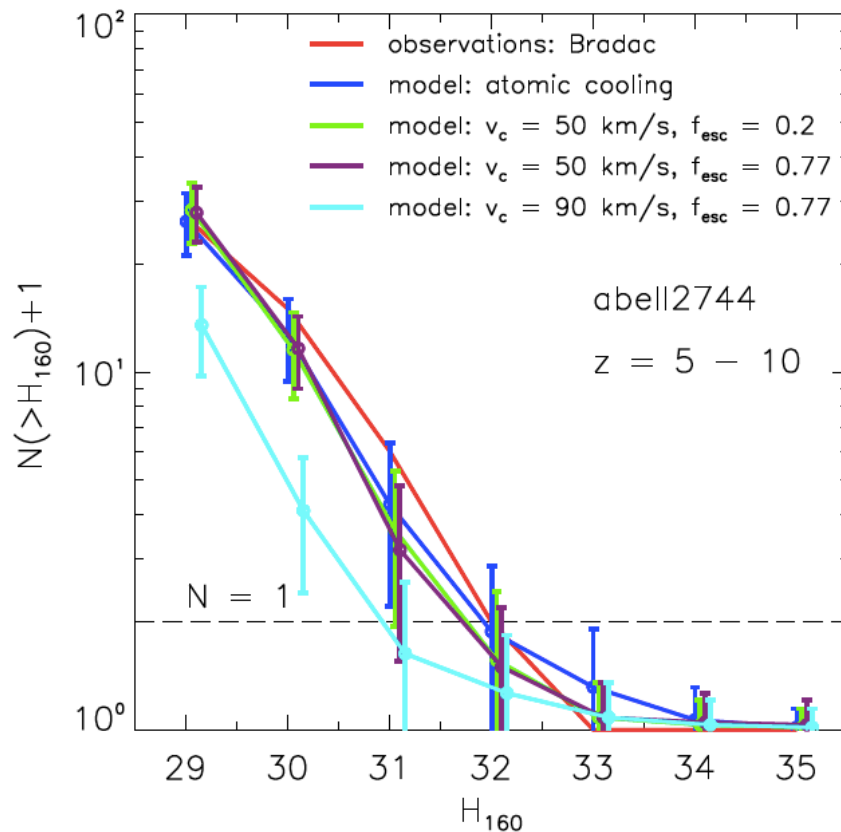
$$\dot{N}_{ion}(s^{-1} Mpc^{-3}) = 10^{49.7} \left(\frac{\rho_{UV}}{6 \cdot 10^{25}} \right) \left(\frac{3.0}{\alpha_S} \right) \left(\frac{f_{esc}}{0.1} \right)$$

- Luminosity function faint end
- Escape fraction
- Intrinsic spectrum

A closer look at $z \sim 7$ sources: LF cut-off and feedback

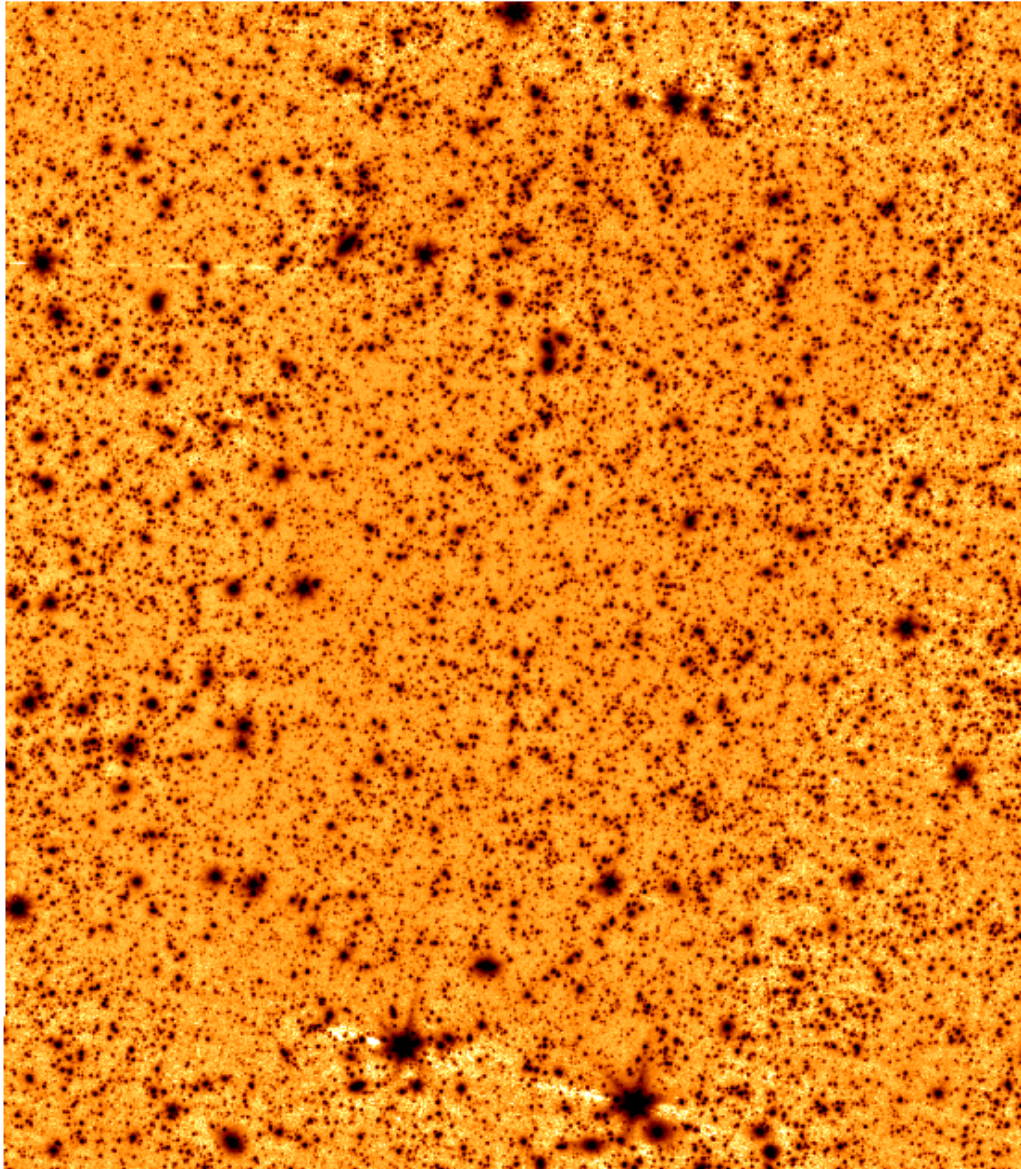


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Comparison between Yue et al. 2016 model and observed counts.
All lensing models used to build a global likelihood minimizing systematics.

GOODS-S ASTRODEEP catalog: ultradeep IRAC data



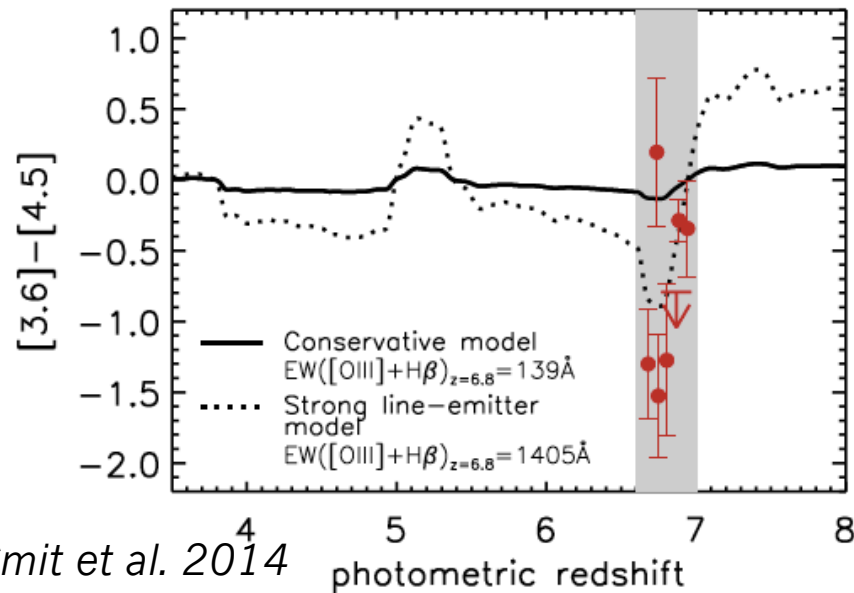
Improved constraints from full IRAC coverage of GOODS-S

ASTRODEEP is updating the CANDELS GOODS-S catalog:

- IRAC CH1 and CH2 supermaps (GOODS+S-CANDELS and all available programs on CDFS, see e.g. Labbe+ 15)
- 18 medium band optical bands
- Deep optical coverage in U, B, R bands (VIMOS)

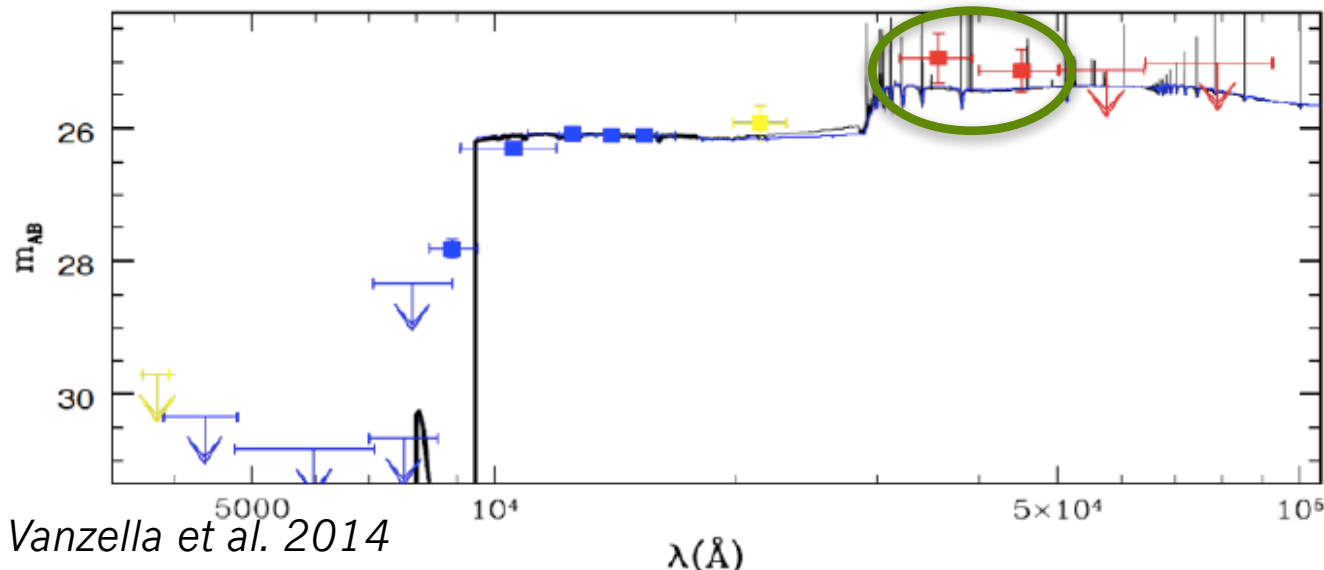
Everything reprocessed with improved procedures in T-PHOT

A closer look at $z \sim 7$ sources: optical line emission



Known evidence for high-EW $[OIII]+H\beta$ lines from IRAC colors at $z > 6$ (e.g. Labbe et al. 2013, Wilkins et al. 2013, Smit et al. 2014)

Good redshift indicator: we can check reliability of LBGs lacking $Ly\alpha$ confirmation.



$EW(Ly\alpha) < 9\text{\AA}$
from 52hrs
FORS2 spectrum