

H II Galaxies = The youngest and more massive SSC

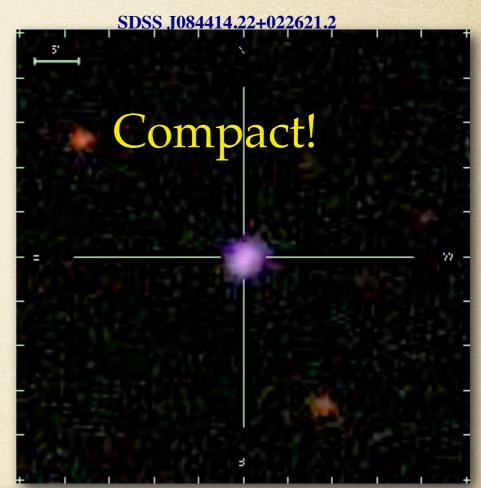
HII galaxies are compact massive burst of star formation in dwarf galaxies.

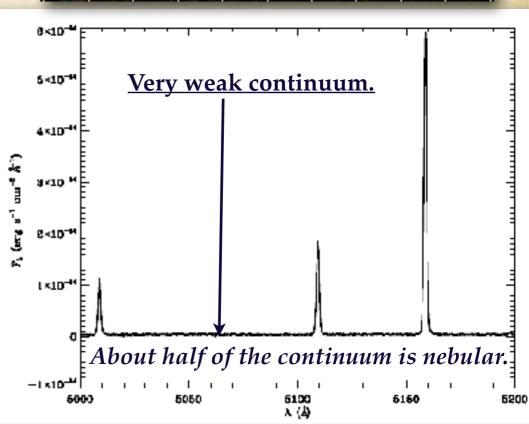
They are selected from spectroscopic surveys for their strong narrow emission lines with equivalent width, $EW(H\beta) > 50\text{\AA}$ or $EW(H\alpha) > 200\text{\AA}$ and small size.

The luminosity of HII galaxies is almost completely dominated by the young burst.

The parent galaxy is difficult to detect.

The observed properties are those of a very young Super Stellar Cluster (SSC) with almost no contamination from the parent galaxy.





Evolution of the Eq. width of $H\beta$ in a burst (SB99)

Selecting compact narrow emission line systems with EW of H β > 50Å or H α > 200Å provides a homogeneous sample with:

- -An upper limit to its age (~ 5Myr),
- -Limited escape of ionising radiation,
- -Limited contamination by an older population

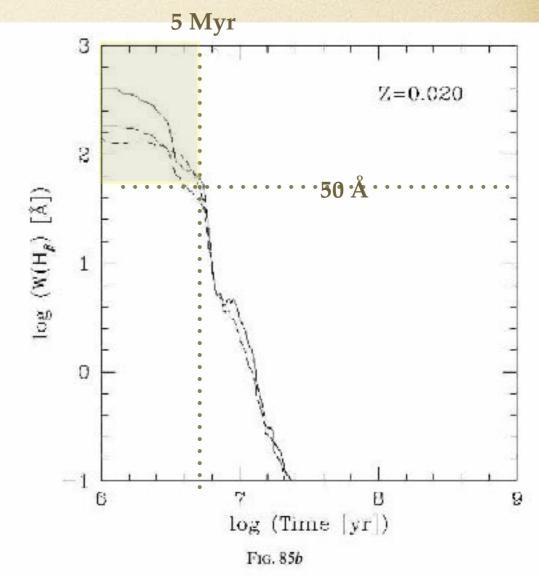
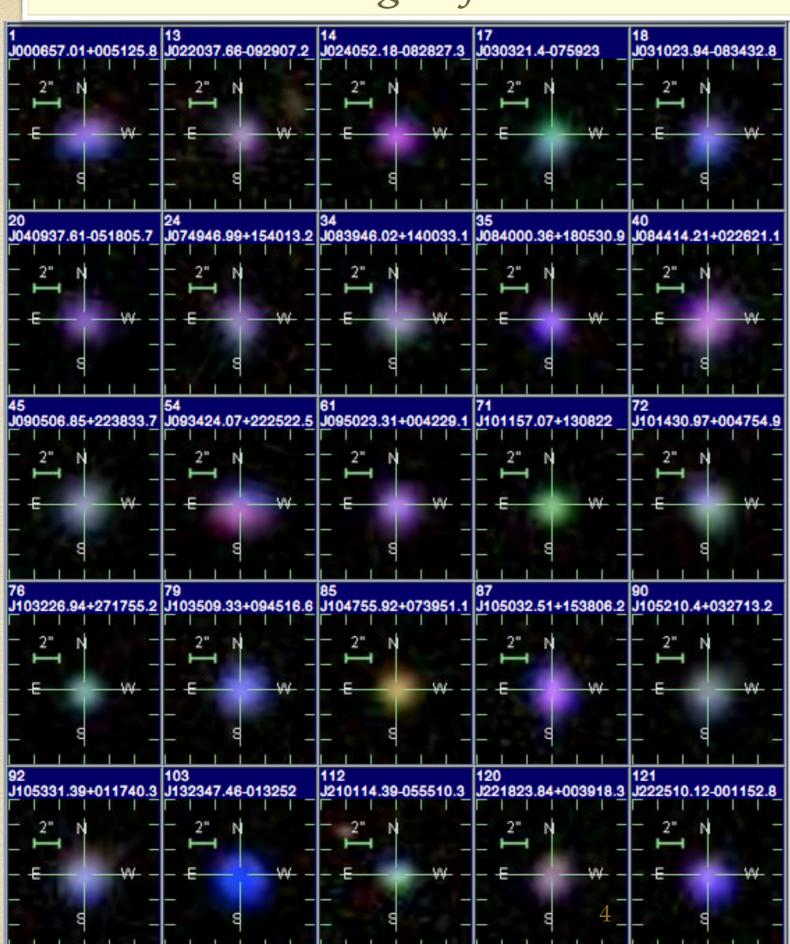


Fig. 85.—H β equivalent width vs. time. Star formation law: instantaneous; solid line, $\alpha = 2.35$, $M_{up} = 100~M_{\odot}$; long-dashed line, $\alpha = 3.30$, $M_{up} = 100~M_{\odot}$; short-dashed line, $\alpha = 2.35$, $M_{up} = 30~M_{\odot}$; (a) Z = 0.040; (b) Z = 0.020; (c) Z = 0.008; (d) Z = 0.004; (e) Z = 0.001.

SDSS Images of H II Galaxies - COMPACT!!



The colour in these SDSS stamp images depends on redshift.

Some are green most are not.

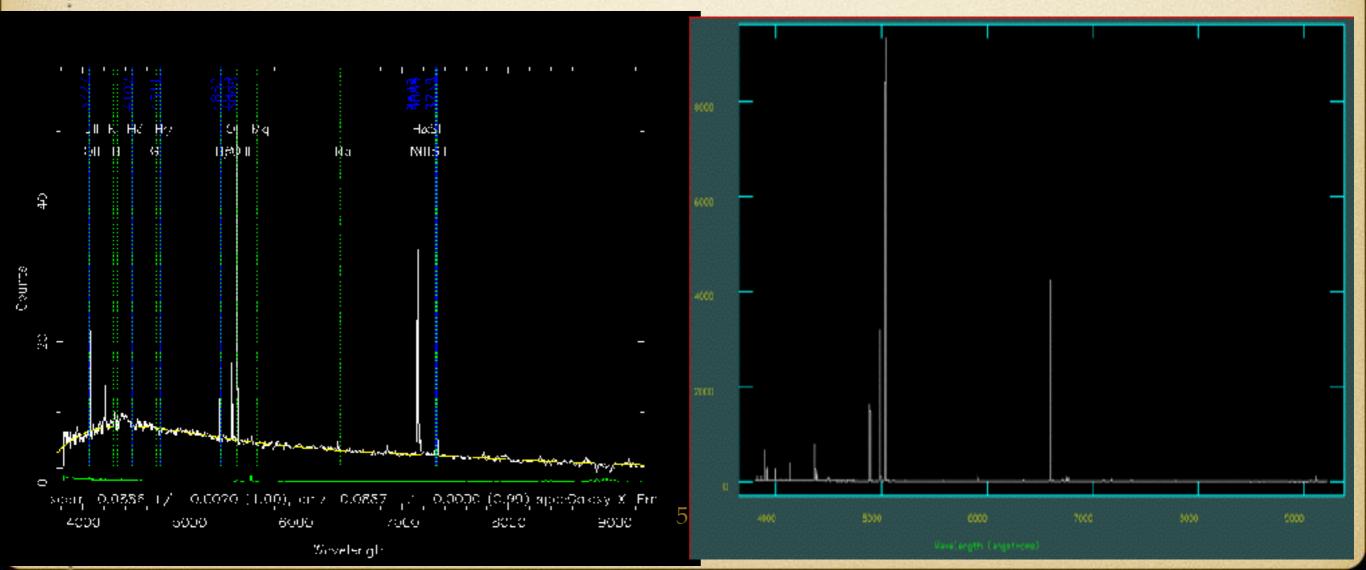
Are BCD HII Galaxies?

The answer is: generally no.

Blue Compact Dwarf (BCD) were selected by Fred Zwicky by colour and compactness. This selection provides samples of galaxies with a young population but in contrast with HII galaxies, the underlying galaxy is clearly visible in the images and the spectrum. Only those BCD that satisfy the criterion EW(Ha)>200Å are HII galaxies.

HII galaxies are the youngest BCDs.

BCD HIIGx

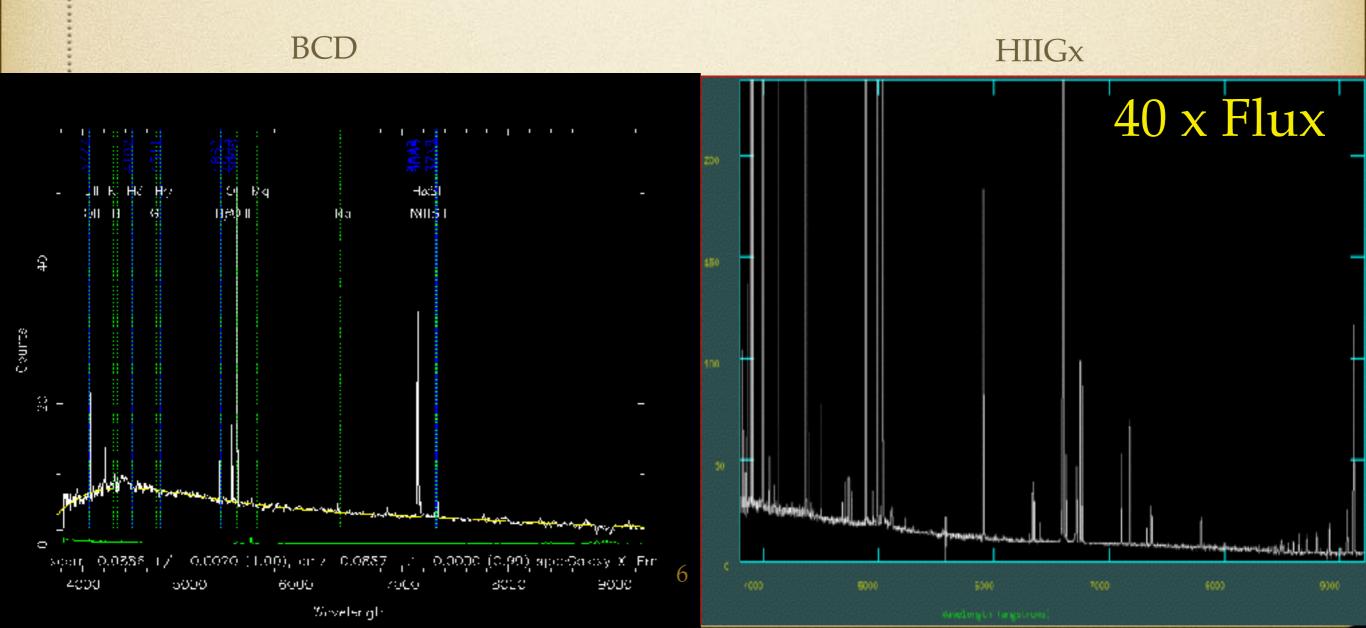


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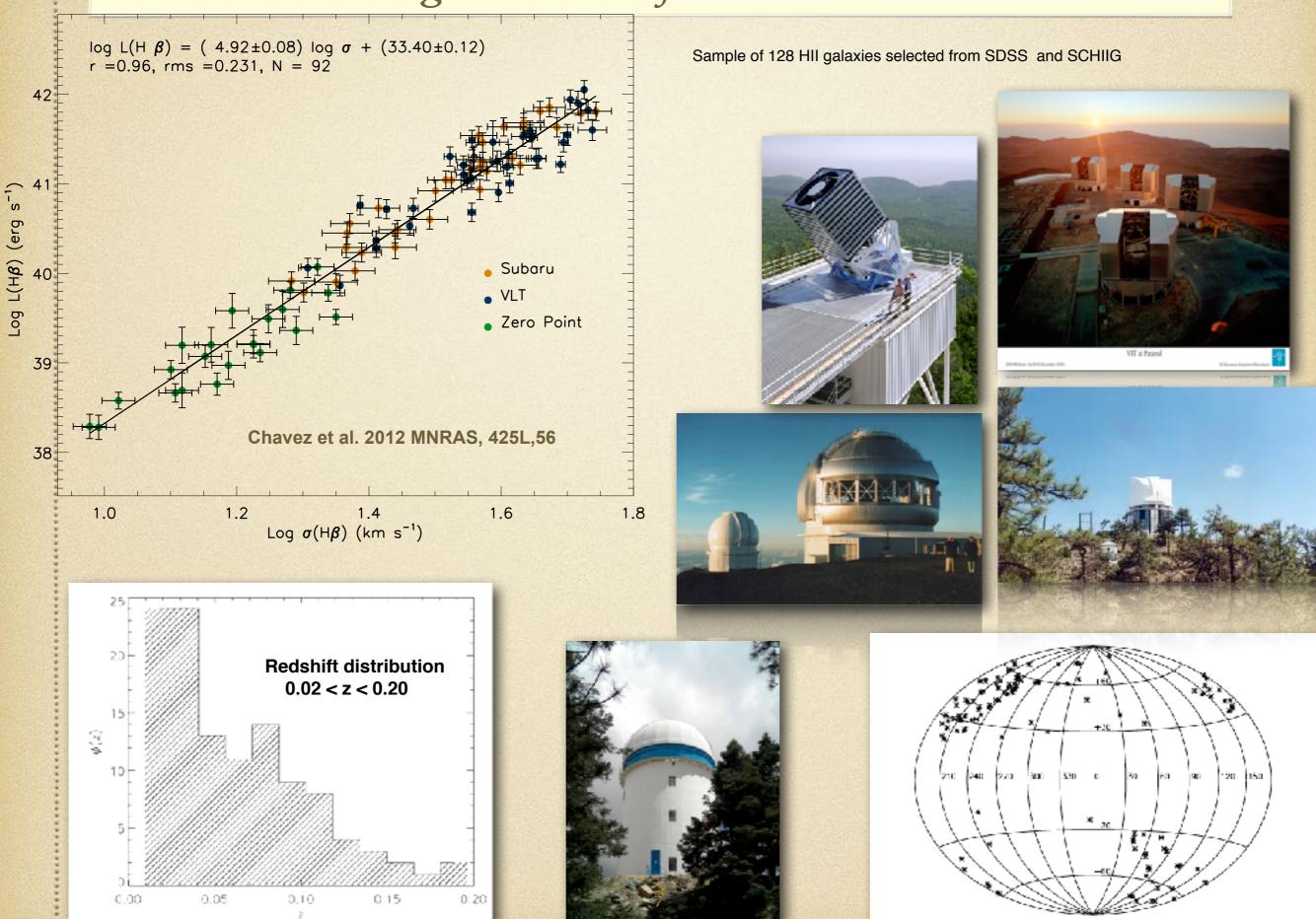
Can HII galaxies evolve into BCD?

Possibly. As the burst evolves, its luminosity rapidly diminishes and after few million years it becomes less luminous than the parent galaxy.

A problem though is that in general BCDs have higher [O/H] than HIIGx.



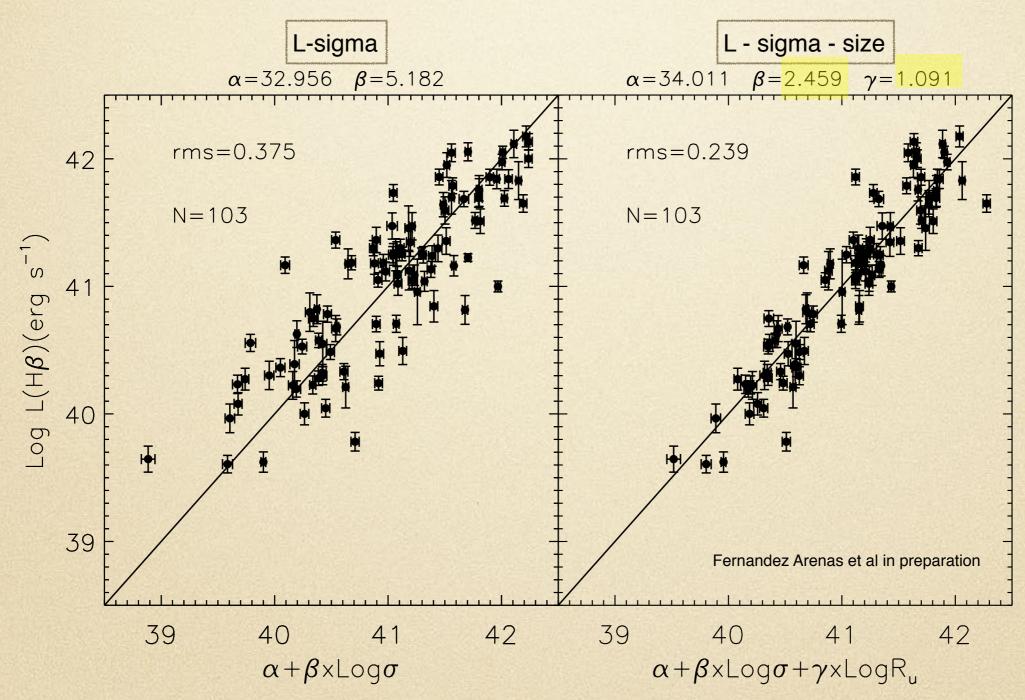
The L-sigma relation for HIIG and GHIIR



L - sigma Fundamental Plane and the viral theorem

Introducing the size as a second parameter reduces the scatter to the observational errors level. This indicates that the L-sigma is a 2-D projection of the 3-D fundamental plane, L-sigma-size.

The virial relation predicts exponents 2.0 and 1.0 for the velocity dispersion and size respectively. The values from the fit to HIIG, 2.46 and 1.1 are not far from the predicted values.



$M_{dynamical}$ vs M_{stars} + $M_{ionized\ gas}$

Comparing the dynamical and photometric masses of HIIG

 $M_{ion} = 5.0 \text{ x} 10^{-34} \text{ L}(H\beta) \text{ m}_{p} / \alpha_{eff}(H\beta) h v_{H\beta} \text{ N}_{e}$ $M_{stellar} = 7.1 \text{ x} 10^{-34} \text{ L}(H\beta) \text{ M}_{\odot}$

$$M_{dyn} = k G^{-1} r_{eff} \sigma^2 M_{\odot}$$

This result is very interesting considering the uncertainties involved in these estimates.

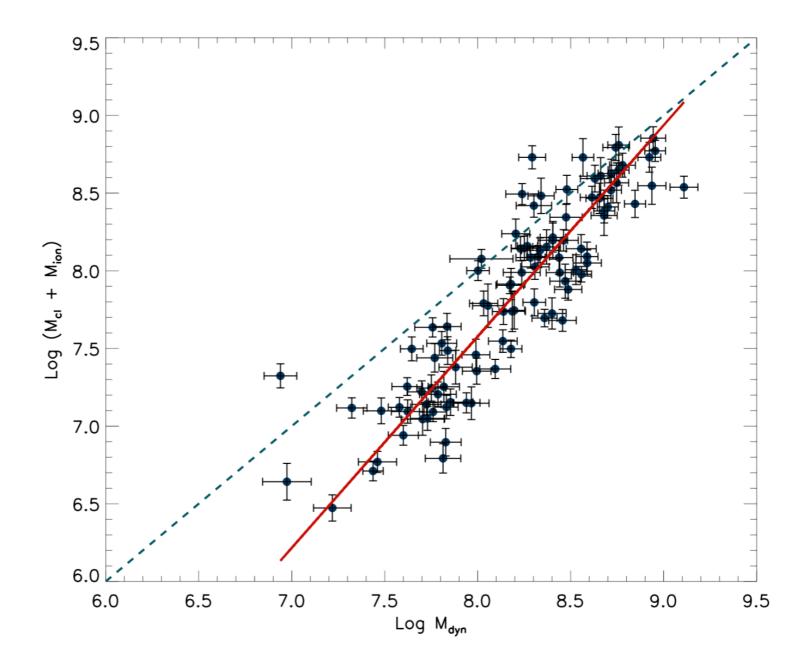


Figure 15. Comparison between $M_{cl} + M_{ion}$ and M_{dyn} . The continuos thick line represents the best fit to the data. The dashed line shows the one-to-one relation.

We postulate that the young massive SSC that ionise the HIIG and GHIIR are gravitationally bound systems and that the velocity dispersion of the ionised gas is a good measure of the depth of the gravitational potential.

Aims

To use the L-sigma distance indicator to measure H_0 , Ωm , w0 and w1.

I will first discuss the determination of the Hubble constant Ho, then the determination of Ω m and the equation of state of the dark energy w.

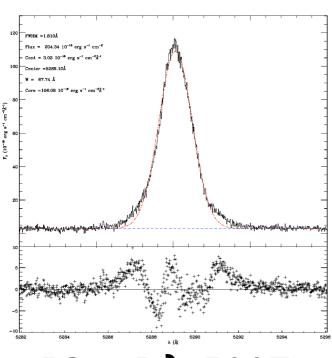
Finally I will touch on the implications for a universal IMF.

HIIG line profile

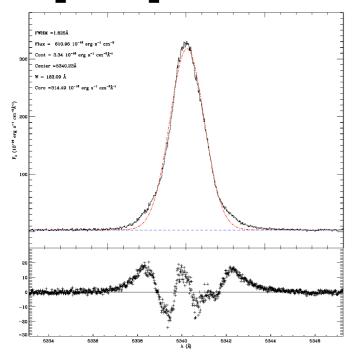
Velocity dispersions: UVES Data

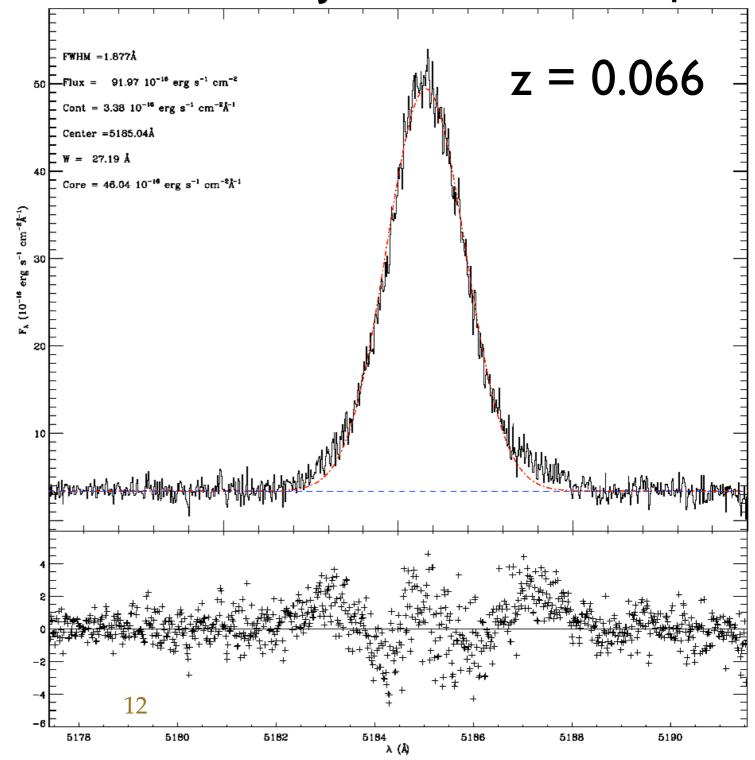
[O III] λ 4959

J222510-001152 Hβ



[O III] λ 5007





Fernandez Arenas et al 2017

An independent determination of the local Hubble constant.

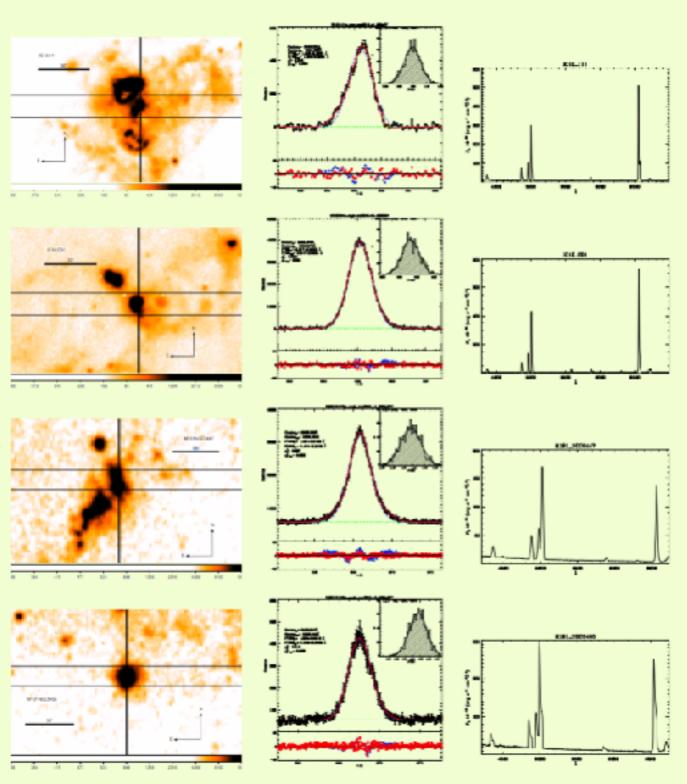
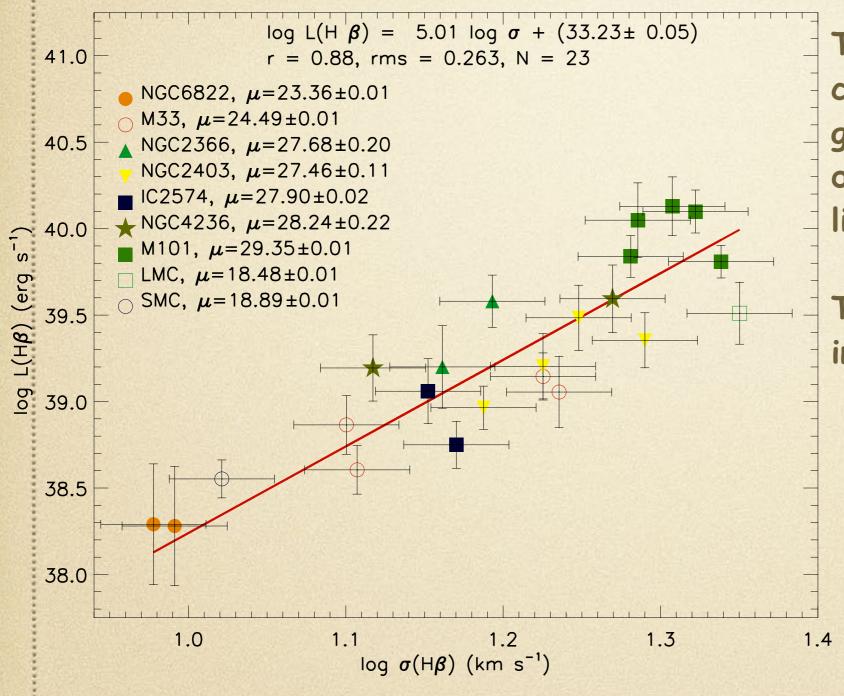


Figure B1. H α image obtained from NASA/IPAC Extragalactic Delabase (NED), high-resolution profile for the GHIRs and low-resolution spectrum.

Measuring H_0 - The L- σ relation of the anchor sample

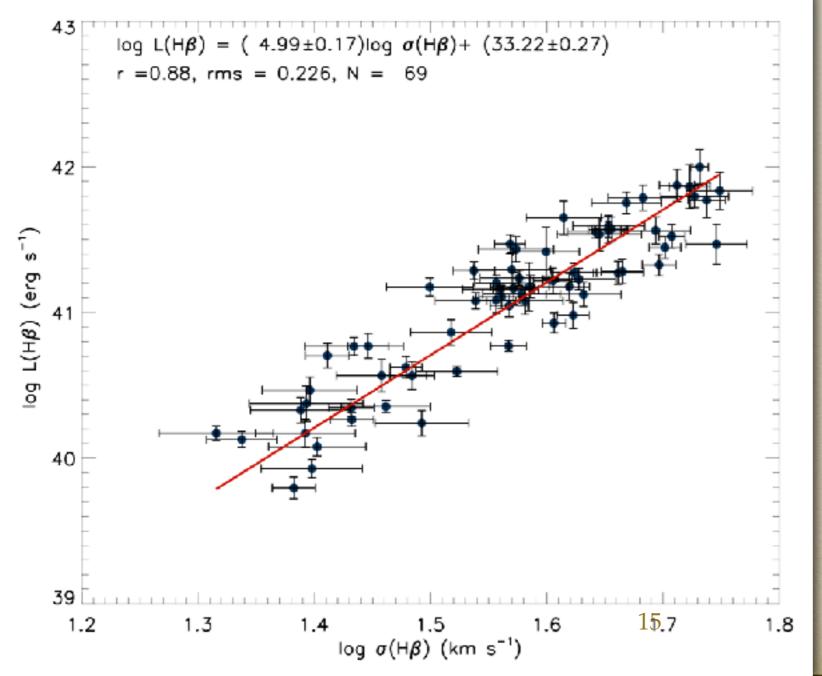


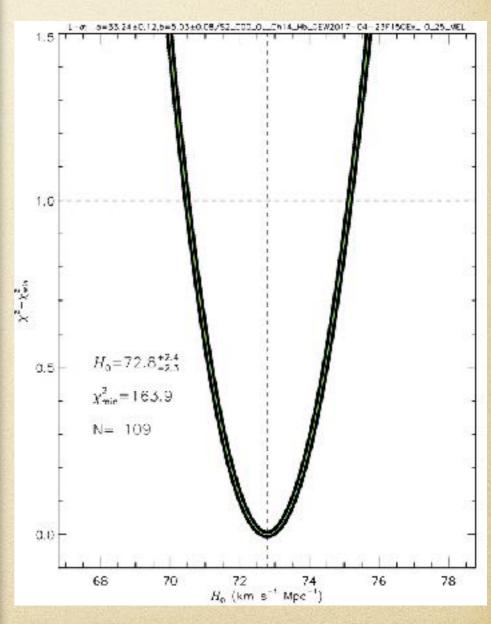
The anchor sample is composed by GHIIR in galaxies with distances determined using Cepheid light curves.

The luminosity of GHIIR is independent of H_0 .

The luminosity of HIIG depends of Ho.

 χ^2 solution





Measuring H₀: Results

We obtained:

Chavez et al 2012

 $H_0=74.3 \pm 4.2$ (random+systematic)

Fernandez-Arenas et al 2017 Ho=71.0 ± 3.5 (random+systematic)

In excellent agreement with SNIa determinations:

Freedman et al 2001: $H_0 = 72 \pm 8$ (random+systematic)

Sandage et al 2006: $H_0 = 62.3 \pm 5.0$ (random+systematic)

Riess et al 2009: $H_0 = 74.2 \pm 3.6$ (random+systematic)

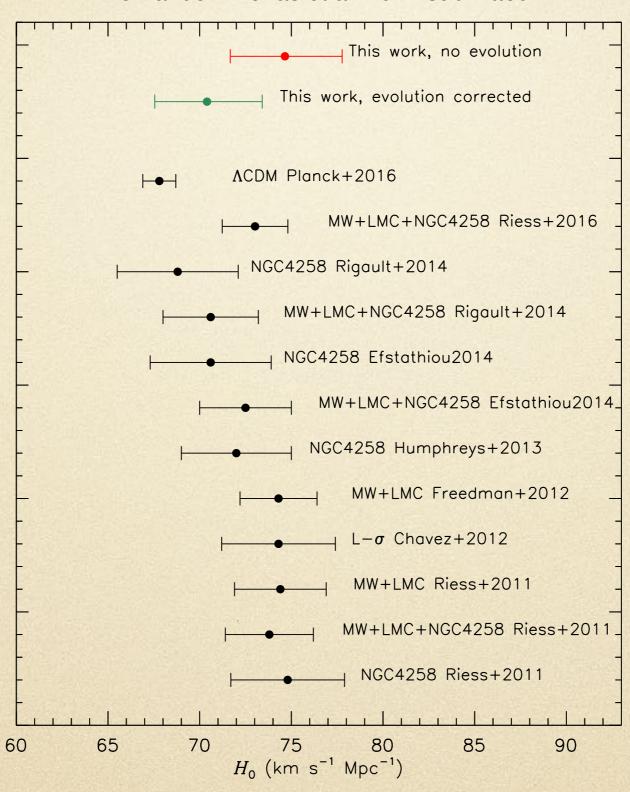
Riess et al 2012: $H_0 = 73.8 \pm 2.4$ (random+systematic)

Freedman et al 2012: $H_0 = 74.3 \pm 2.6$ (random+systematic)

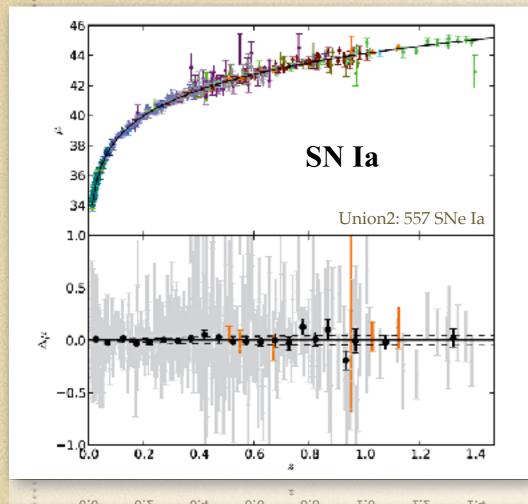
Riess et al 2016: $H_0 = 73.2 \pm 1.7$ (random+systematic)

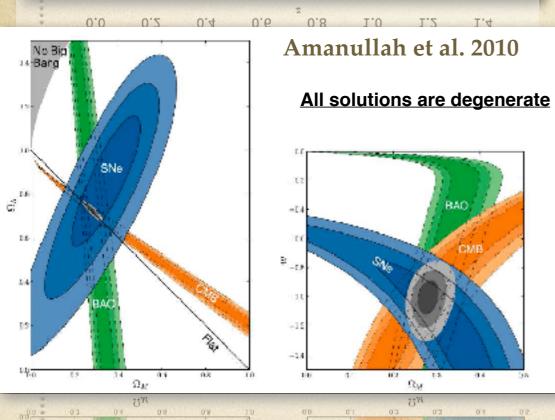
H0 results

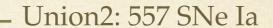
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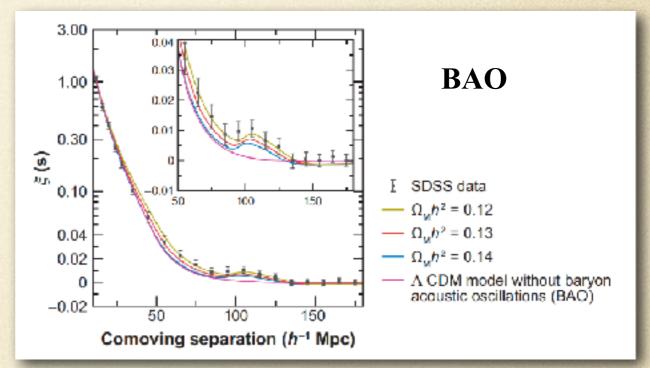


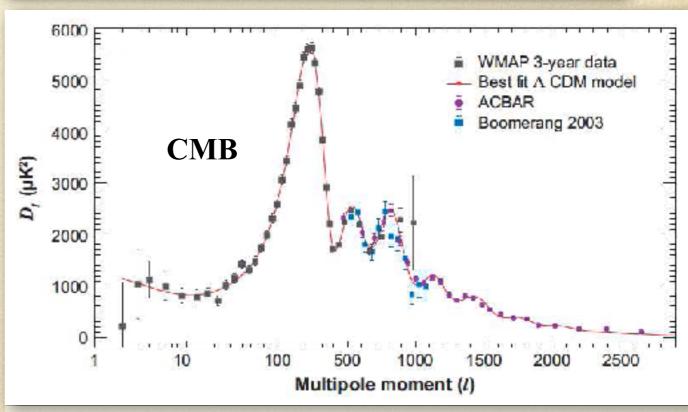
Dark Energy - The Observational Landscape











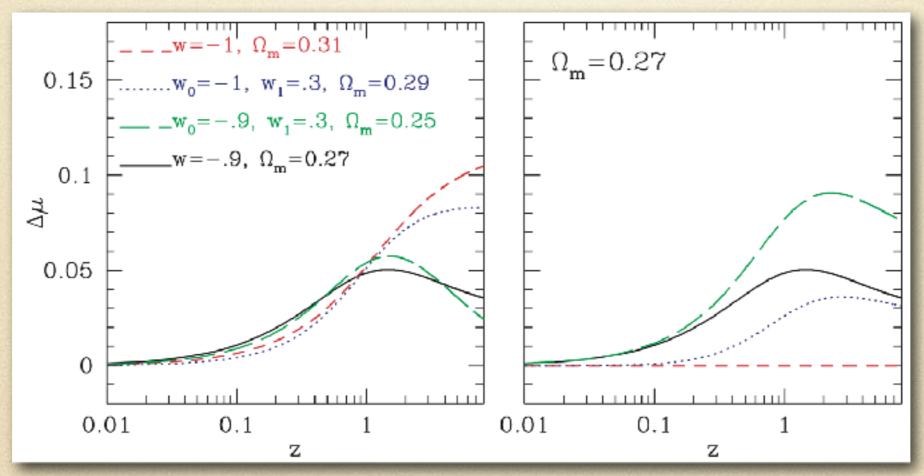


Manifestations of different Dark Energy models

The plot shows the relative distance modulus, $\Delta \mu = \Delta (m-M)$, between different models.

Even with fixed Ω_m there are important $\Delta\mu$ differences with respect to a reference model (w=-1, Ω_m =0.27) due to w variation and/or w evolution.

Maximum $\Delta\mu$ variation occurs at z>2, i.e. out of reach of current SN Ia surveys.

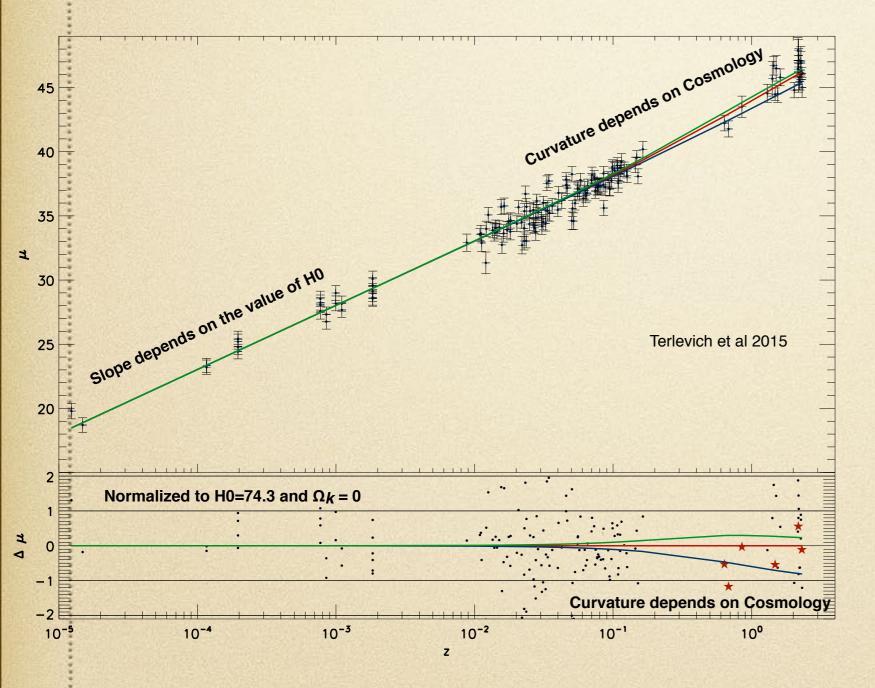


Plionis et al 2011, MNRAS.416.2981

Left Panel: The expected distance modulus difference between the DE models shown and the reference Λ -model (w= -1) with Ω m = 0.27. Right Panel: The expected distance modulus differences once the Ω m-w(z) degeneracy is broken (imposing the same Ω m value as in the comparison model).

The GHIIR and HIIG Hubble diagram

This Hubble diagram includes 25 high z, and 109 nearby HIIG plus 23 GHIIR. All lines are for $H_0 = 74.3$ and $\Omega_{\rm K} = 0$.



Hubble diagram for three different cosmologies.

The red line indicates the concordance CDM cosmology: $\Omega m = 0.3$; $w_0 = -1.0$.

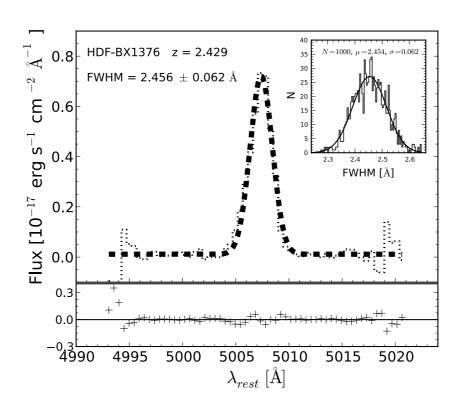
The green line shows a cosmology with $\Omega m = 0.3$; $w_0 = -2.0$.

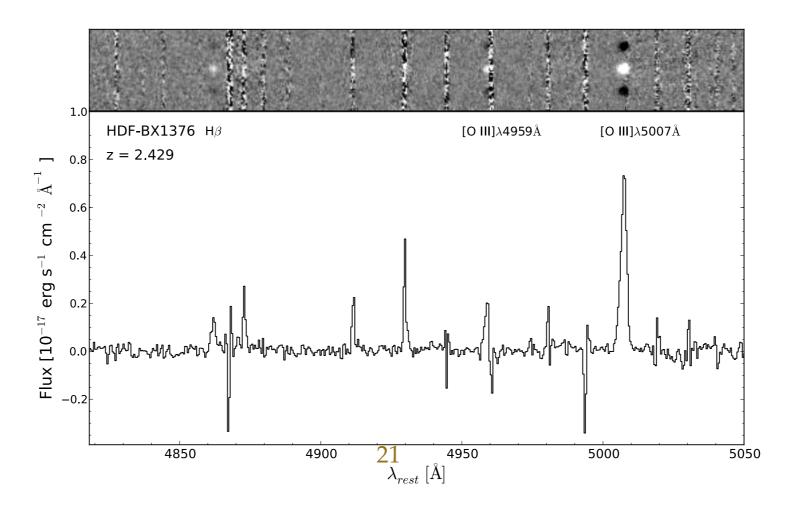
The blue line shows a cosmology with $\Omega m = 1.0$; $w_0 = -1.0$.

Residuals are plotted in the bottom panel.

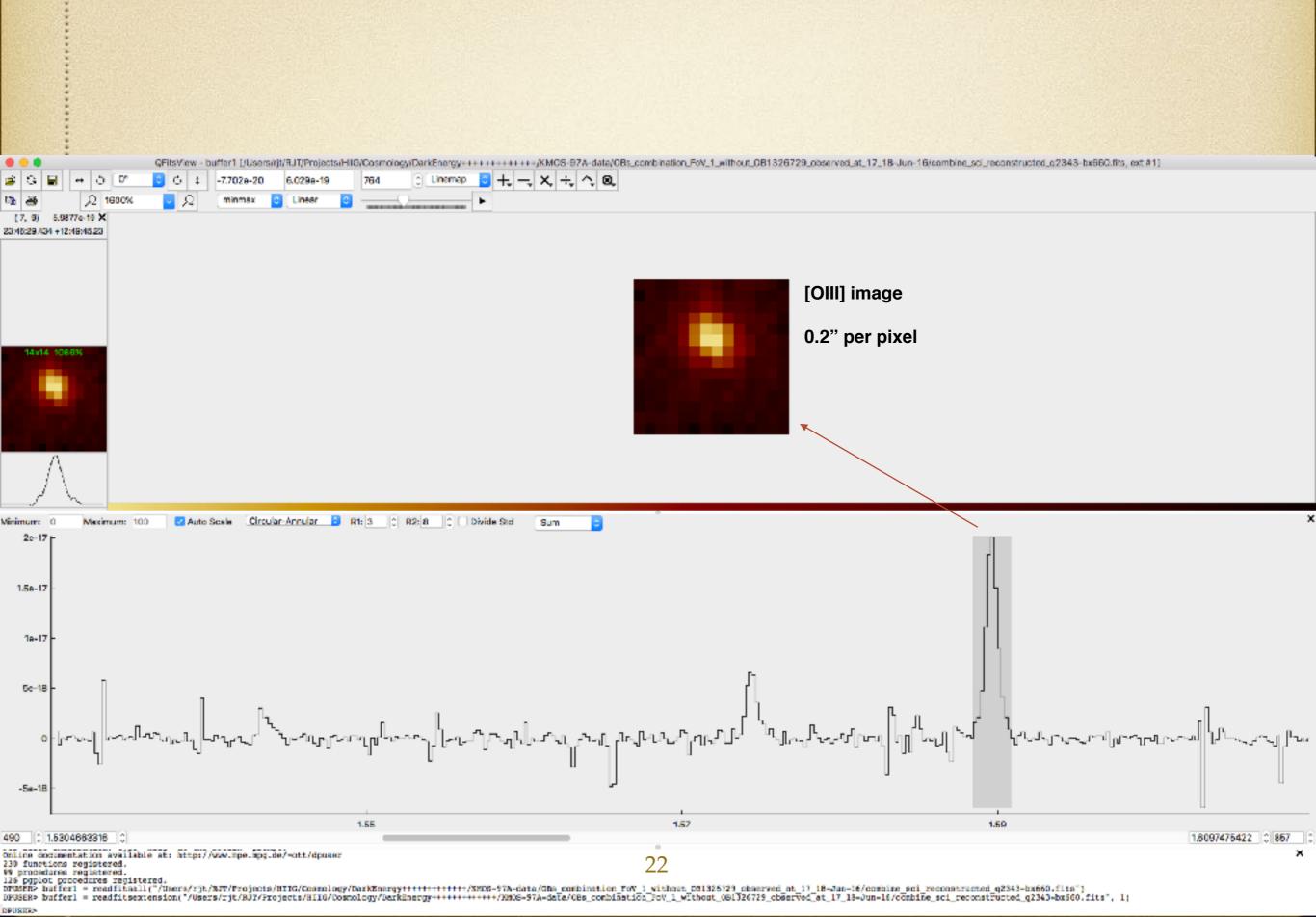
Note the huge dynamical range in distance modulus of almost 30 mag covered with the L-sigma distance indicator.

HIIG at z=2.43 observed with MOSFIRE at KECK

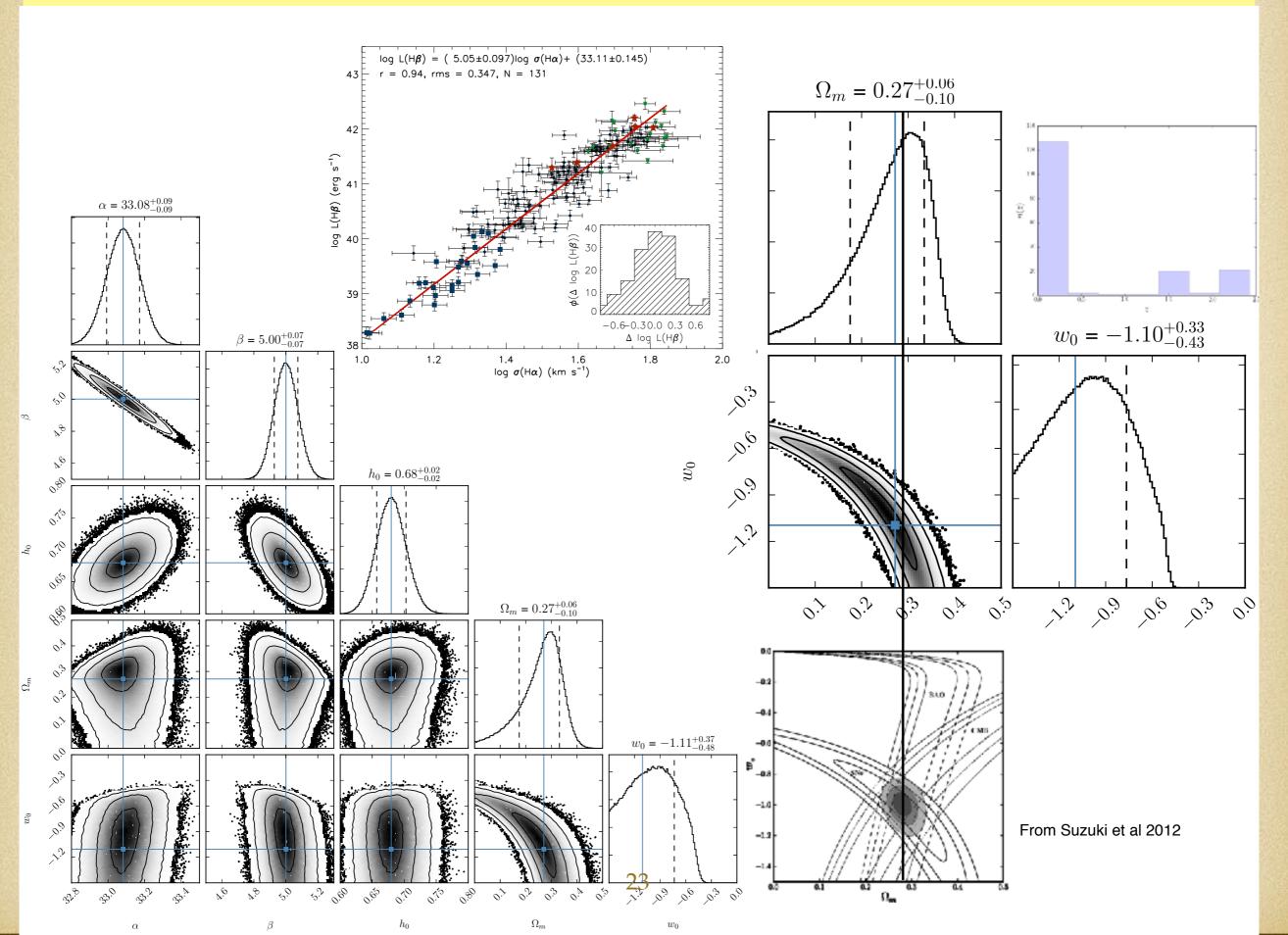




HIIG at z=2.17 observed with KMOS at VLT



Preliminary results including high z HIIG



Preliminary results including our MOSFIRE high z HIIG data

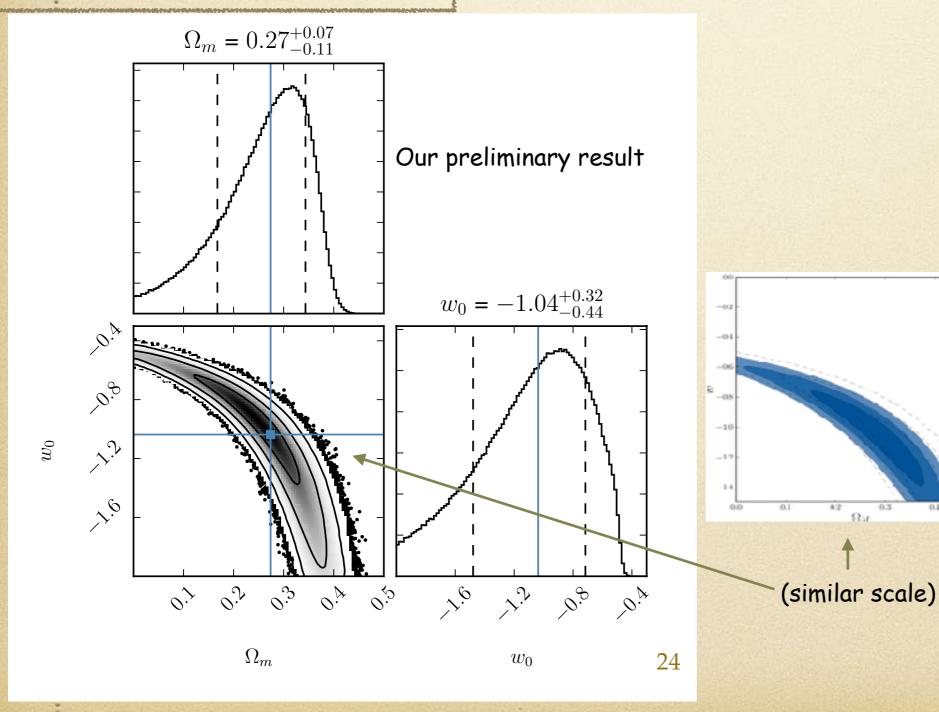
Our MCMC result for a flat universe ($\Omega_k = 0$) with H₀=74.3.

 $\Omega_{\rm m} = 0.27^{+0.07}_{-0.11}$ and w = -1.04 +0.32 _{-0.44} (statistical uncertainties only)

The sample has 109 local HIIG and 22 high z HIIG with high quality data from VLT-XShooter and KECK-MOSFIRE.

The Suzuki et al 2012 580 SNIa solution with statistical uncertainties only gives

$$\Omega_{\rm m}$$
 = 0.28 +0.07 -0.09 and w = -1.01 +0.21 -0.23



Amanullah et al 2010 (dashed) Suzuki et al 2012 (shadow)

CONCLUSIONS I

- HIIG explore a range of high z (1.5 < z < 3.5) that is not available to other methods (SNIa and BAO). This range is crucial to study the evolution of the DE equation of state.
- Results are very promising. Cosmology with HIIG and GHIIR is becoming highly competitive. Needs more data and more work.
- The fact that our results are in line with SN, BAO and CMB implies that our basic assumptions are correct.
- We will learn more about massive star formation that in turn will allow a better distance estimator.
- Extension to z>3.5 depends on availability of instrumentation.

CONCLUSIONS II

Assuming a universal IMF in young SSC the application of the L- σ distance indicator gives values of the cosmological parameters H_0 , Ω_m & w that are in excellent agreement with those of Concordance Cosmology.

This in turn allow to set limits on the evolution of the IMF. Any change in the slope of the IMF between $z \sim 0$ and $z \sim 2.5$ has to be less than ~ 0.06 at $1-\sigma$ level.

An homogenous sample selection is central to the results.