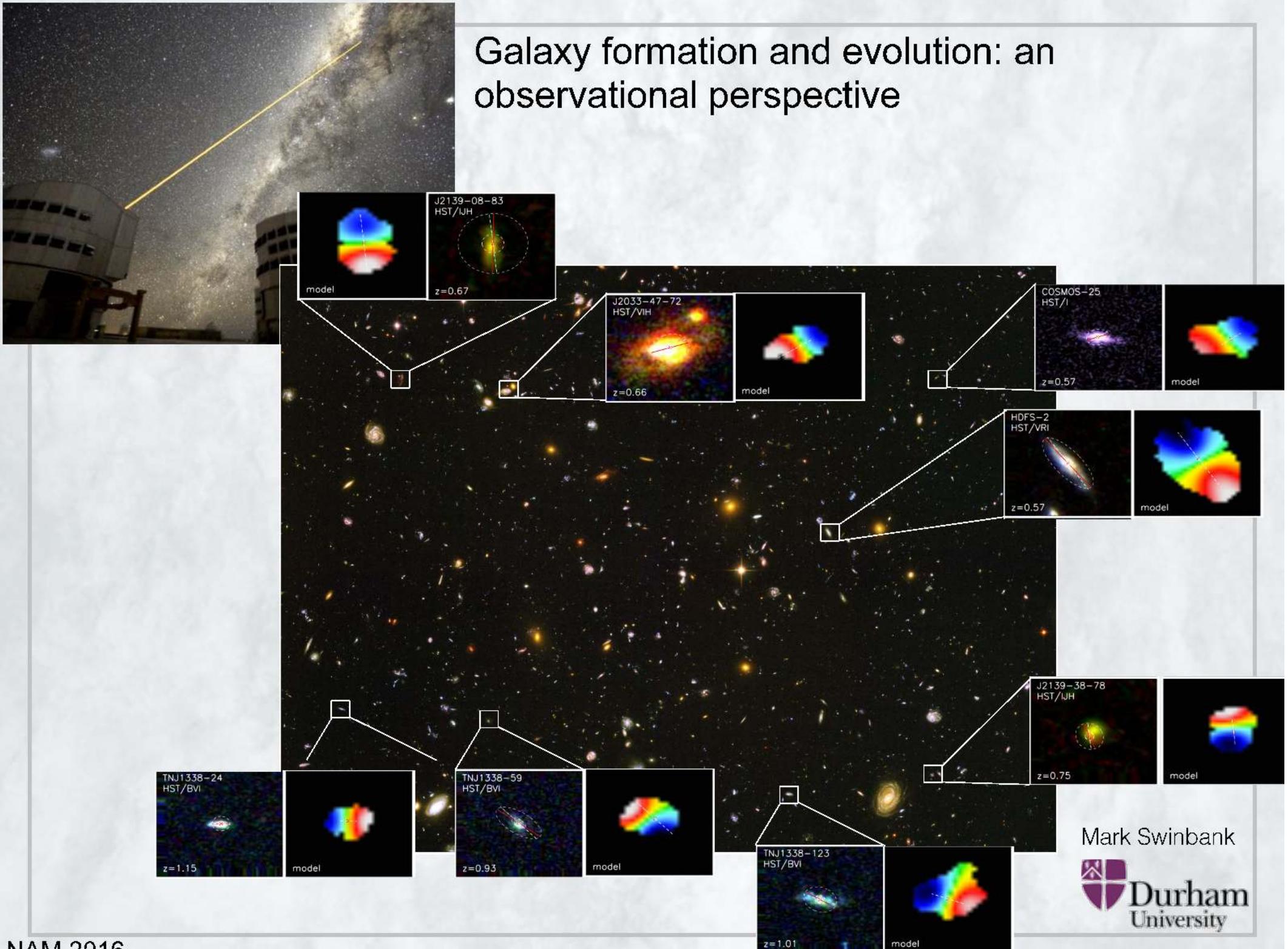


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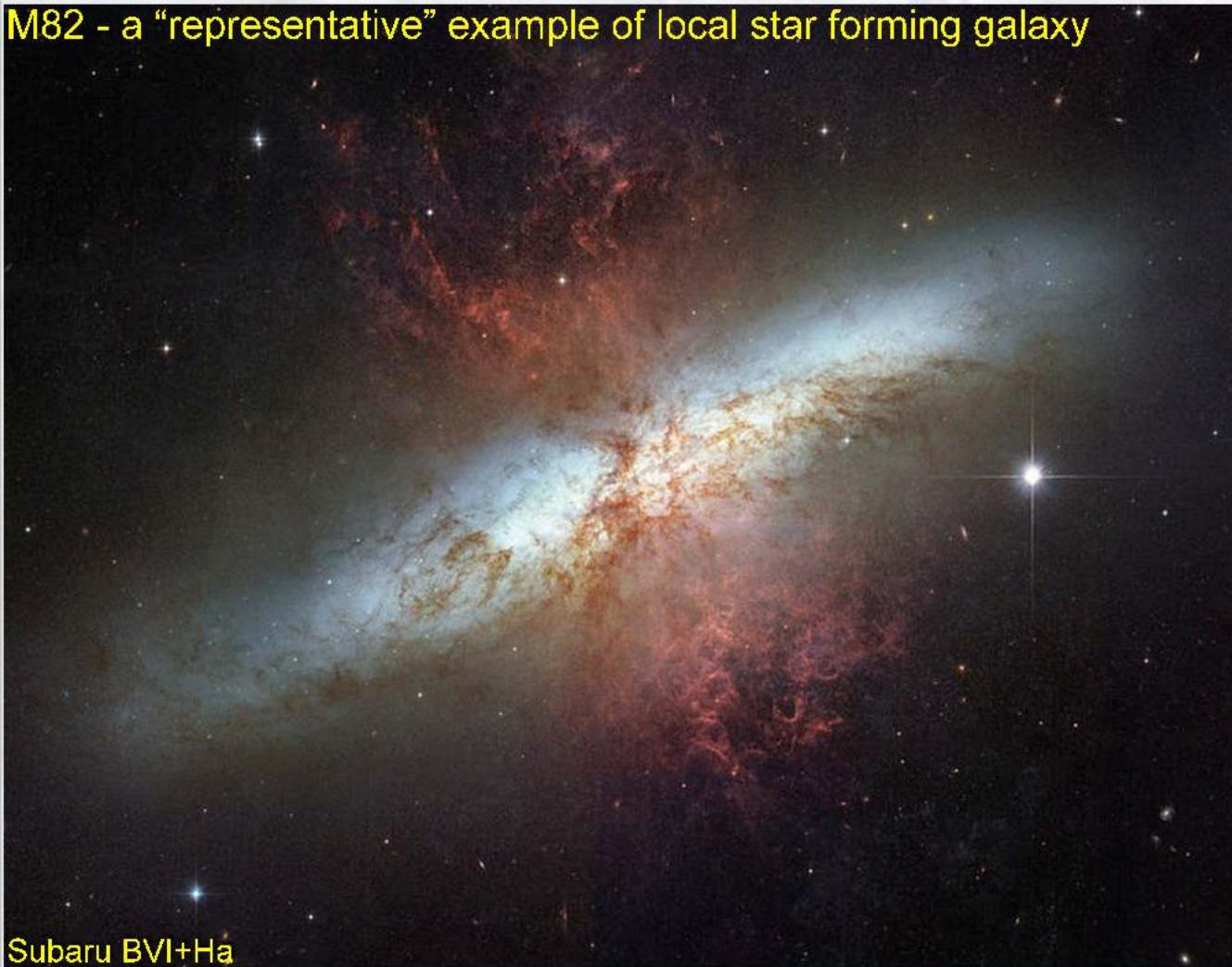
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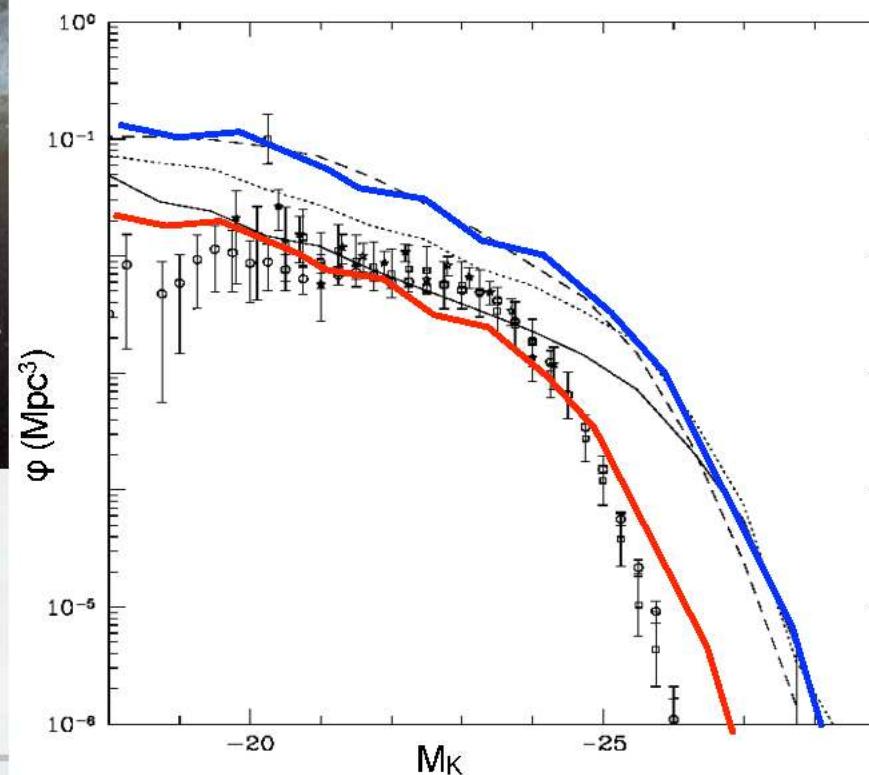
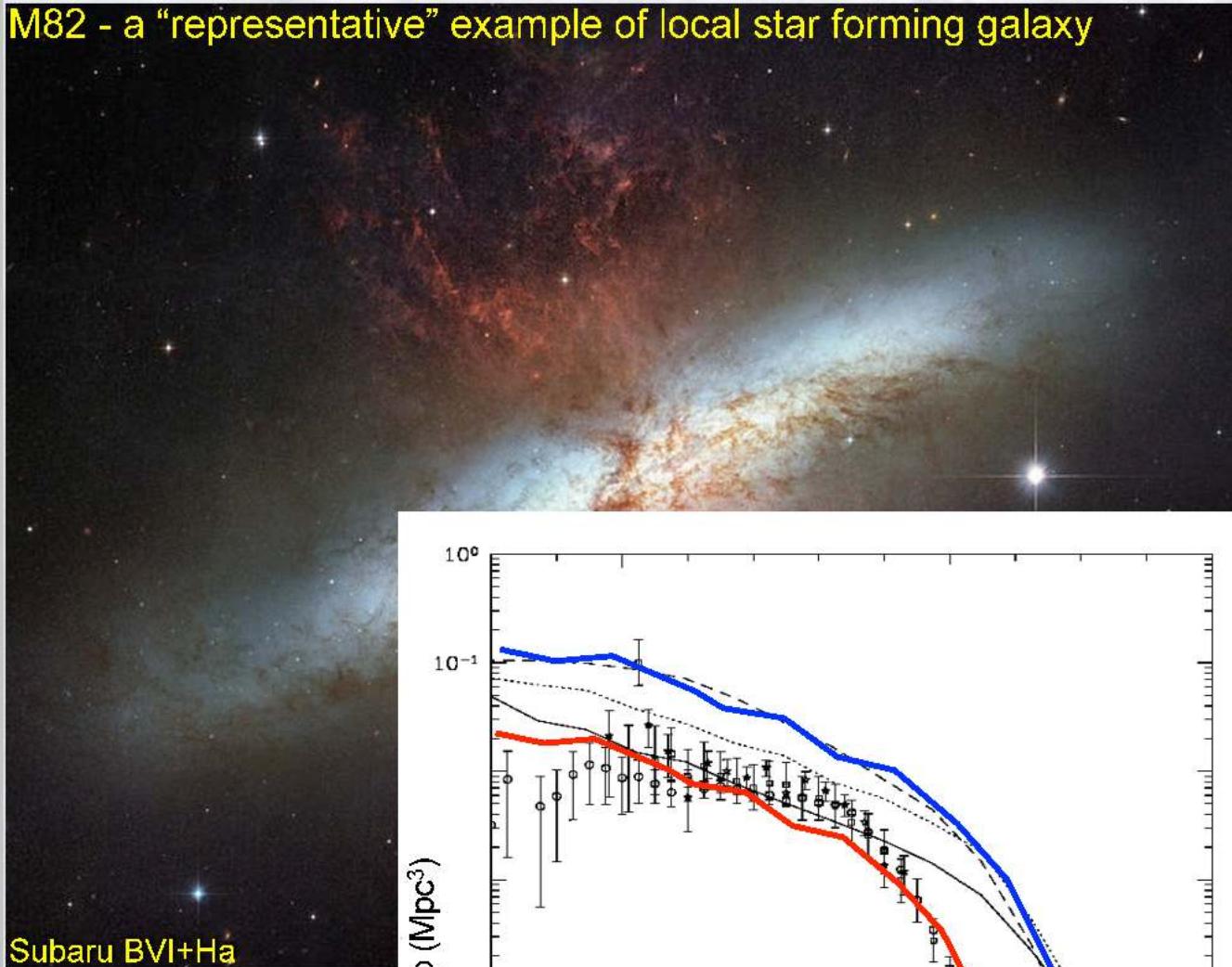
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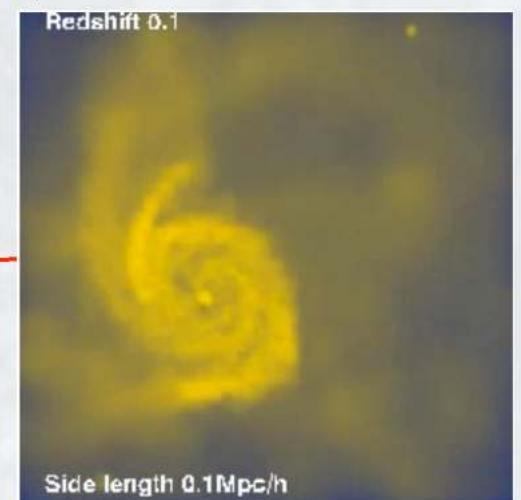


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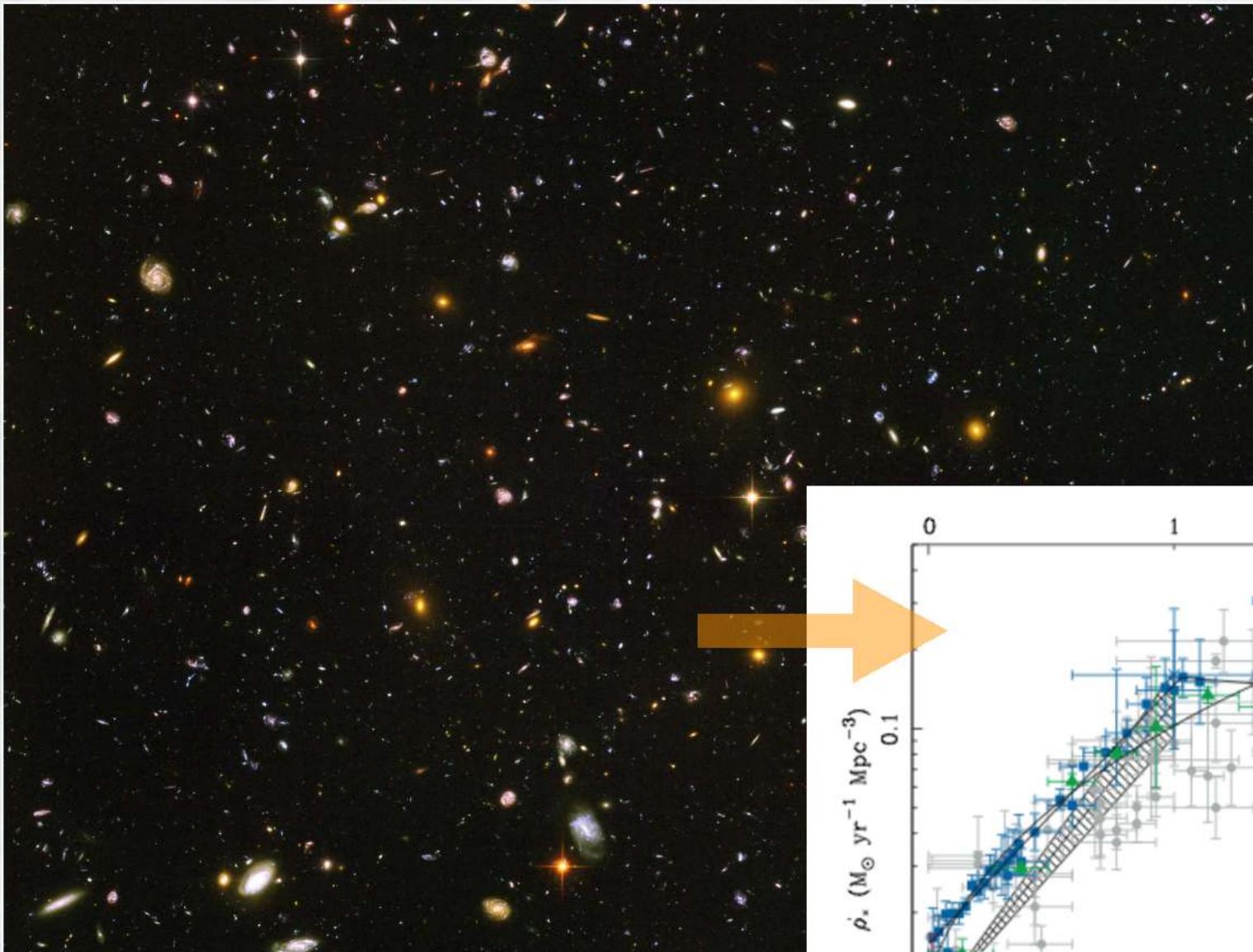
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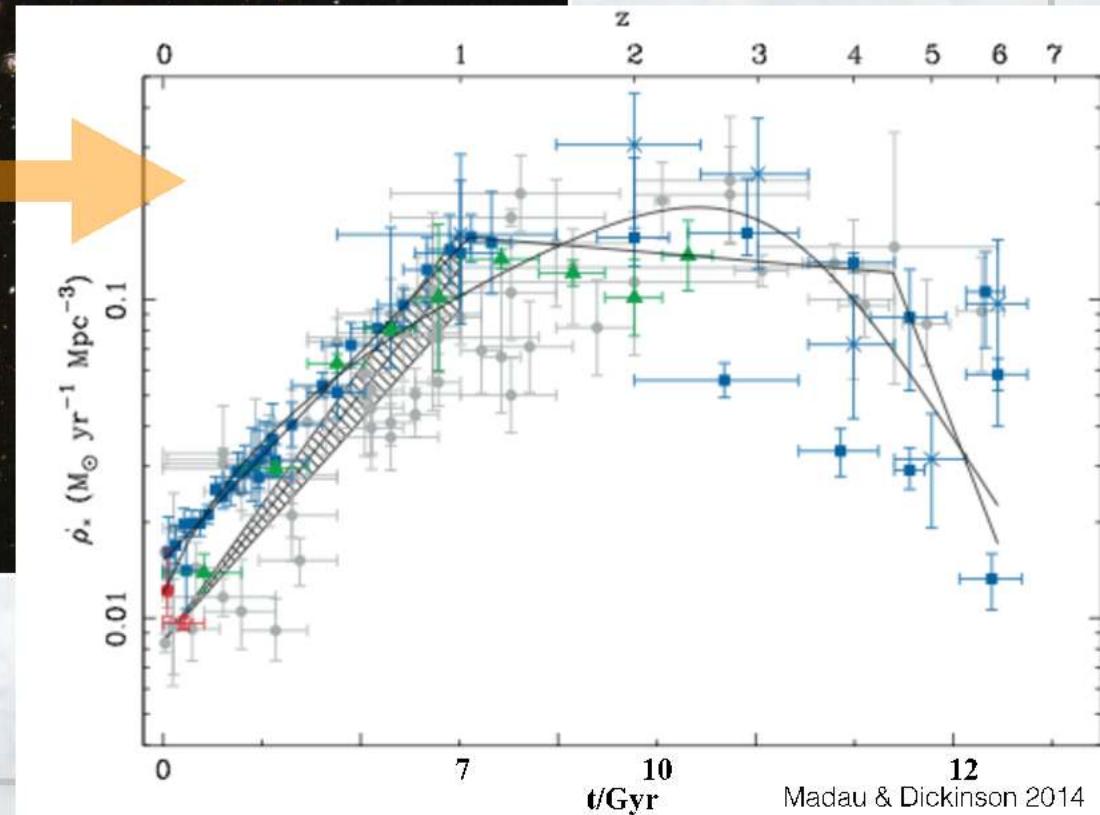
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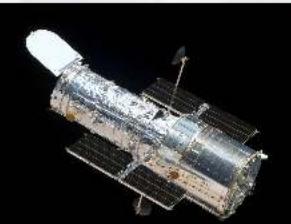
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- The star formation rates of galaxies were much higher in the past.
- There are enough baryons to maintain high star formation rates today. What processes shut off star formation? Gas supply? Outflows? Mergers?
- Do to the “recipes” that are used to describe star formation in local galaxies apply in distant galaxies?
- Need to resolve star formation, dynamics and outflows of individual galaxies to compare to $z=0$

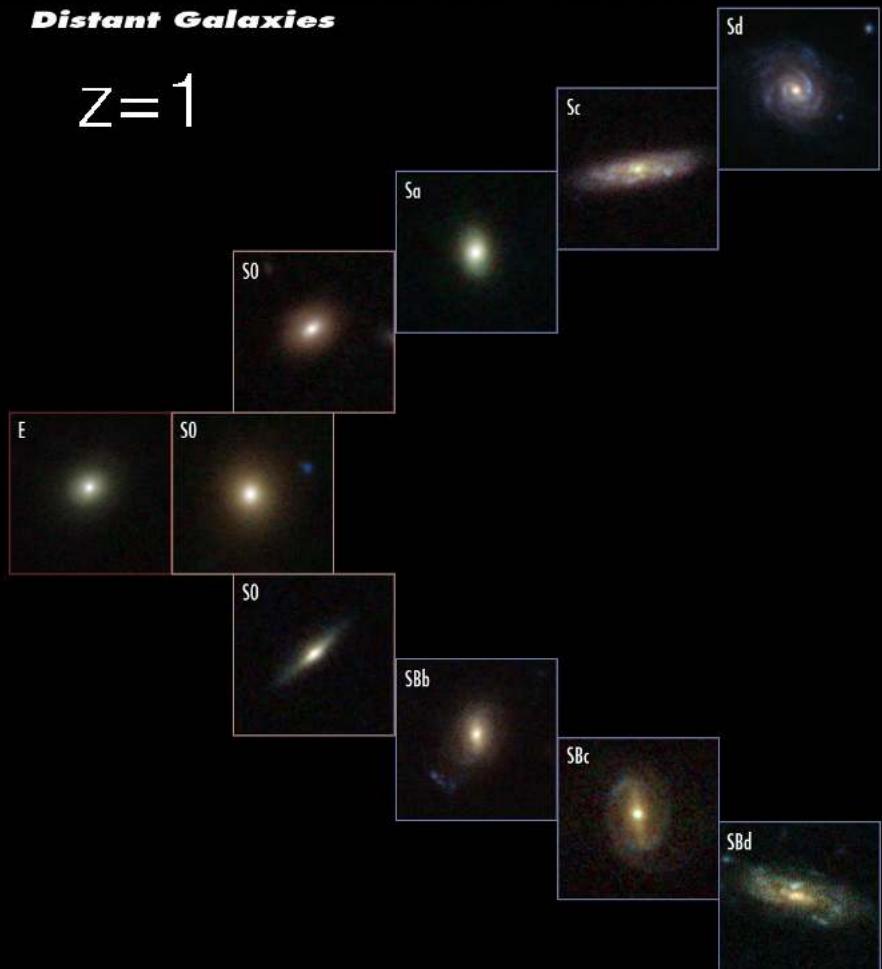


'Easiest' way to study distant galaxies: look at them!



Distant Galaxies

$Z=1$



E 4%

S0 13%

Spiral 31%

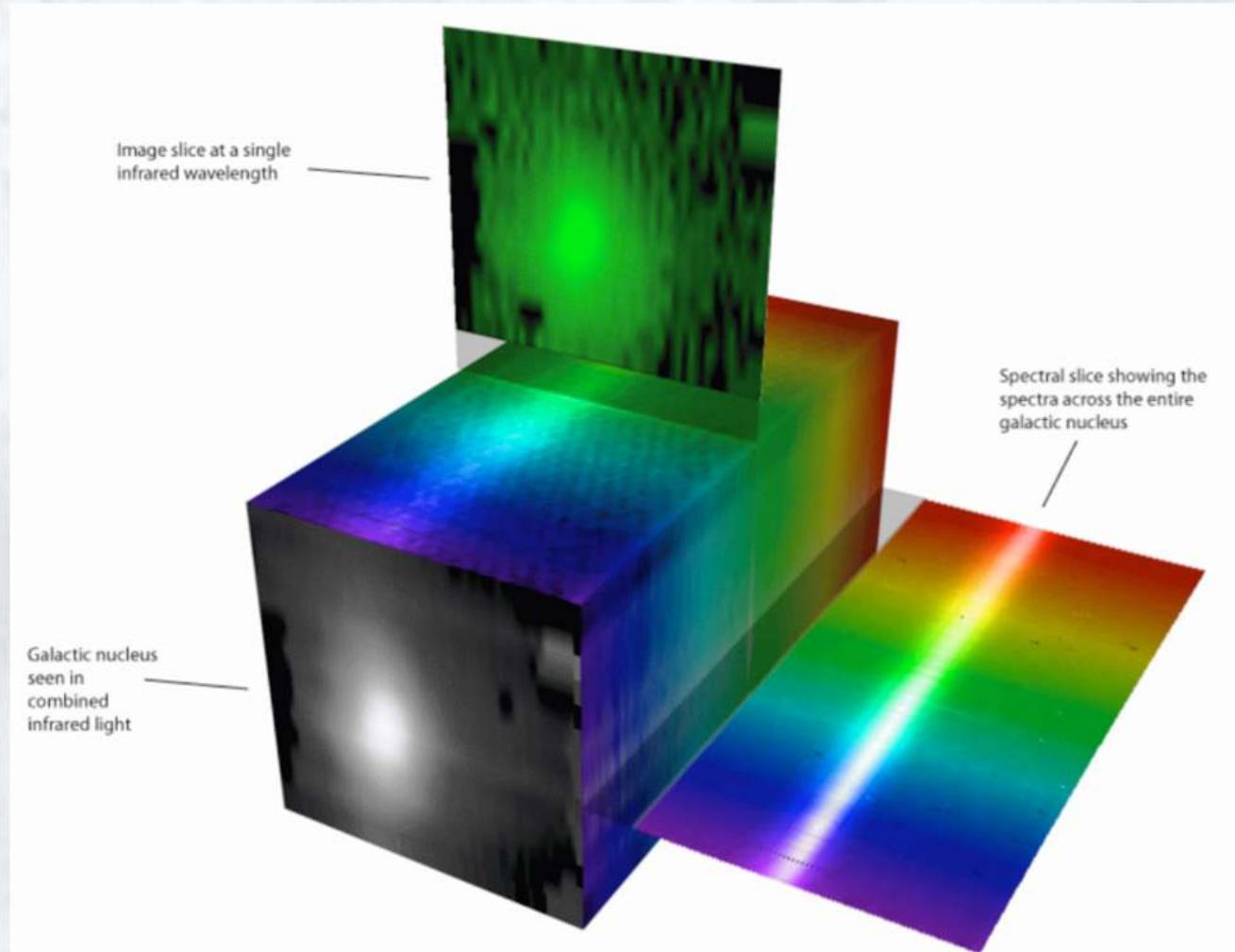
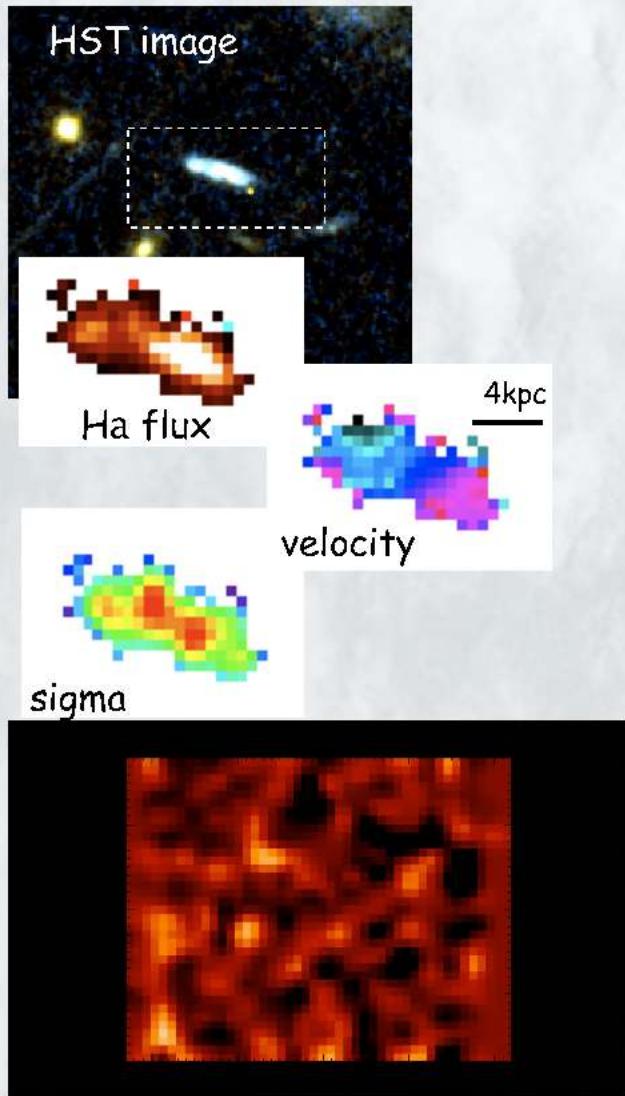
Peculiar 52%

Around $z \sim 1.5$ the Hubble sequence begins to emerge with the spirals and ellipticals becoming as common as peculiar galaxies.

Can we learn about the dominant mode of mass assembly of high-redshift galaxies from their dynamics?

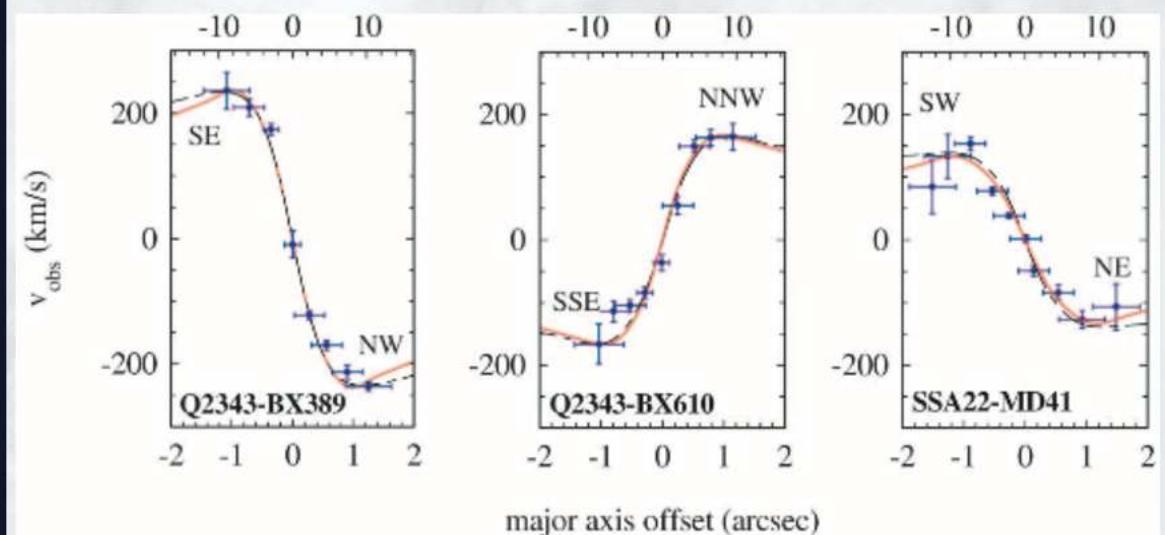
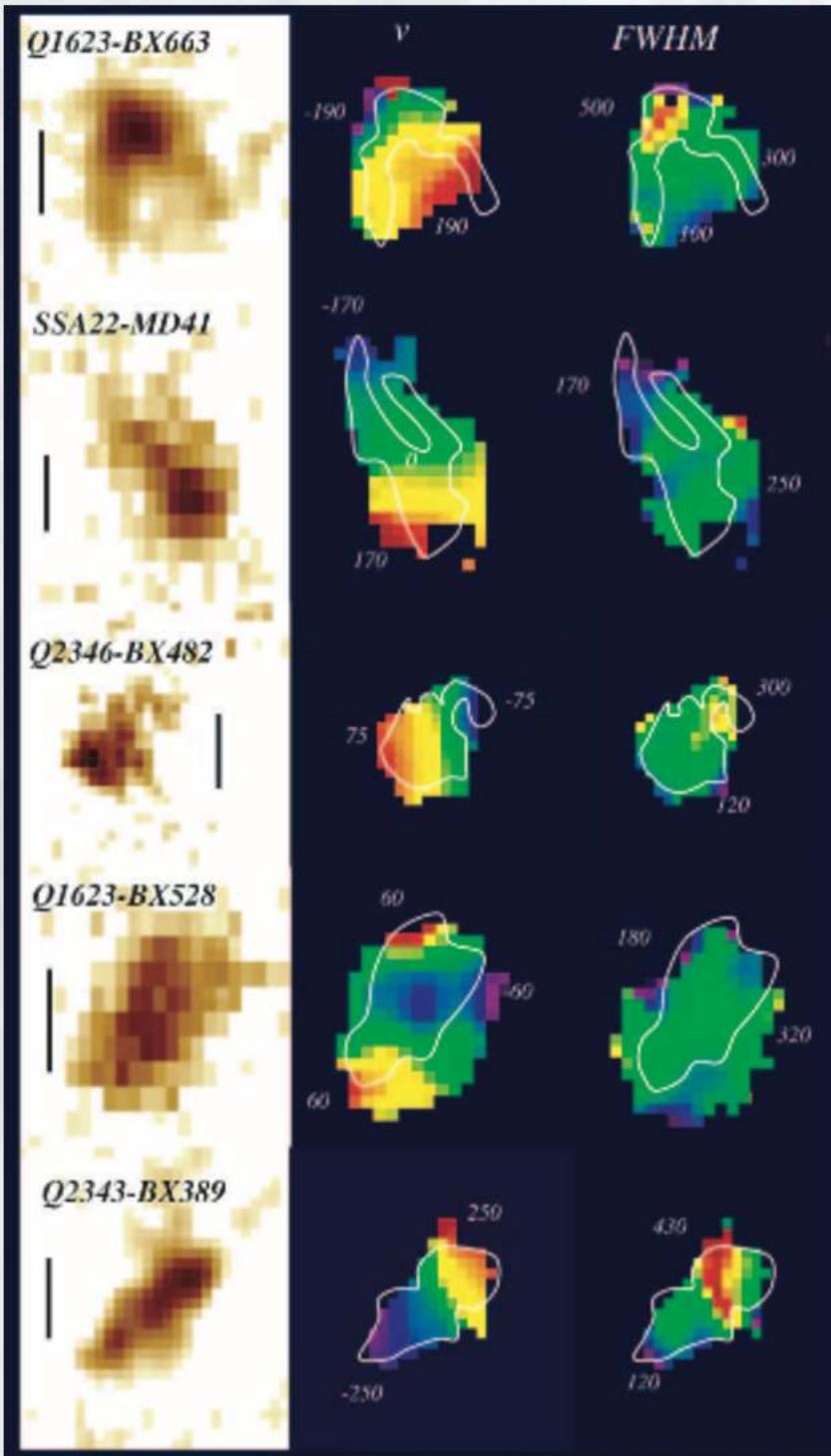
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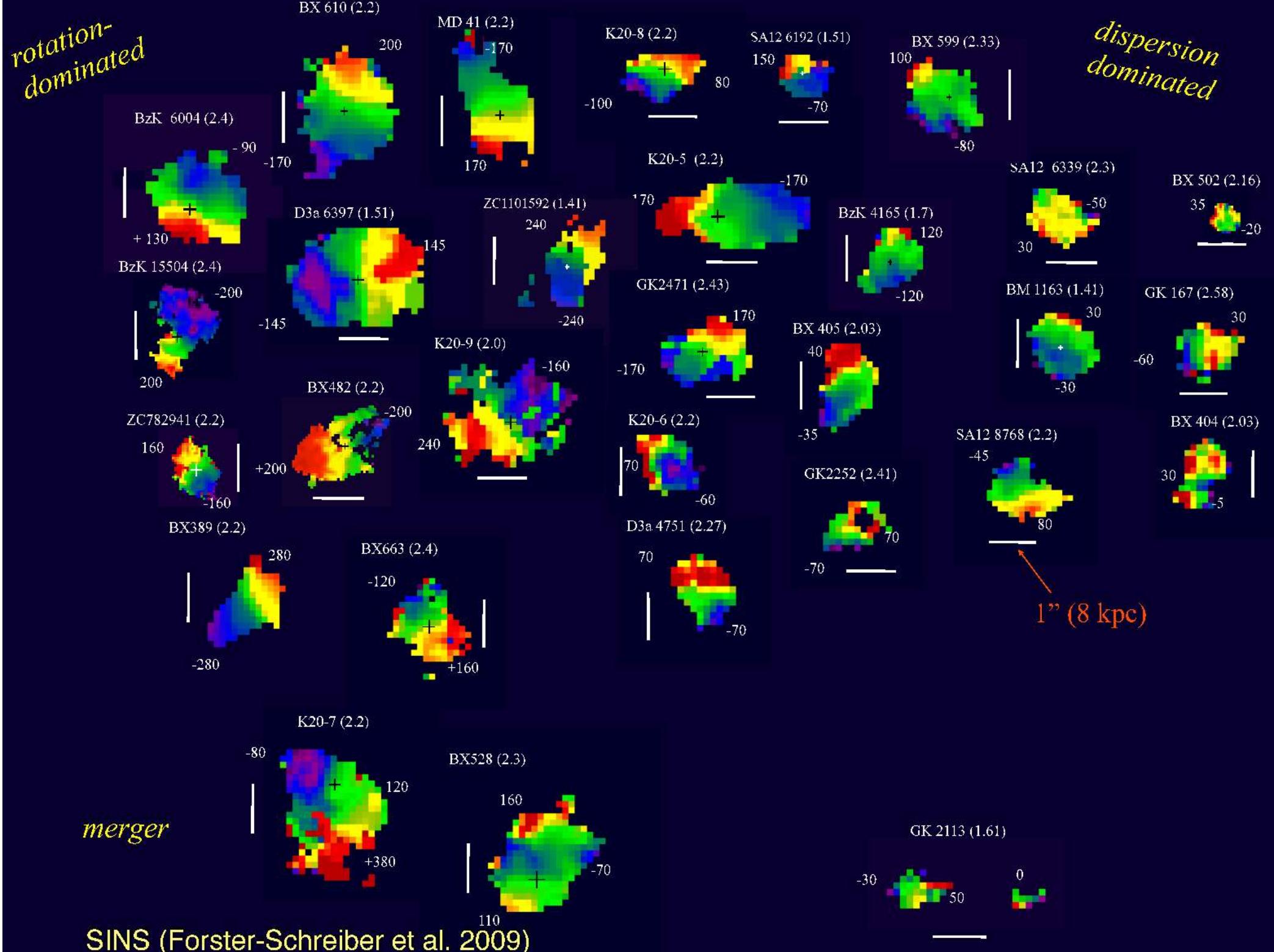
A quick aside: Integral Field Spectroscopy



“Detailed Studies”

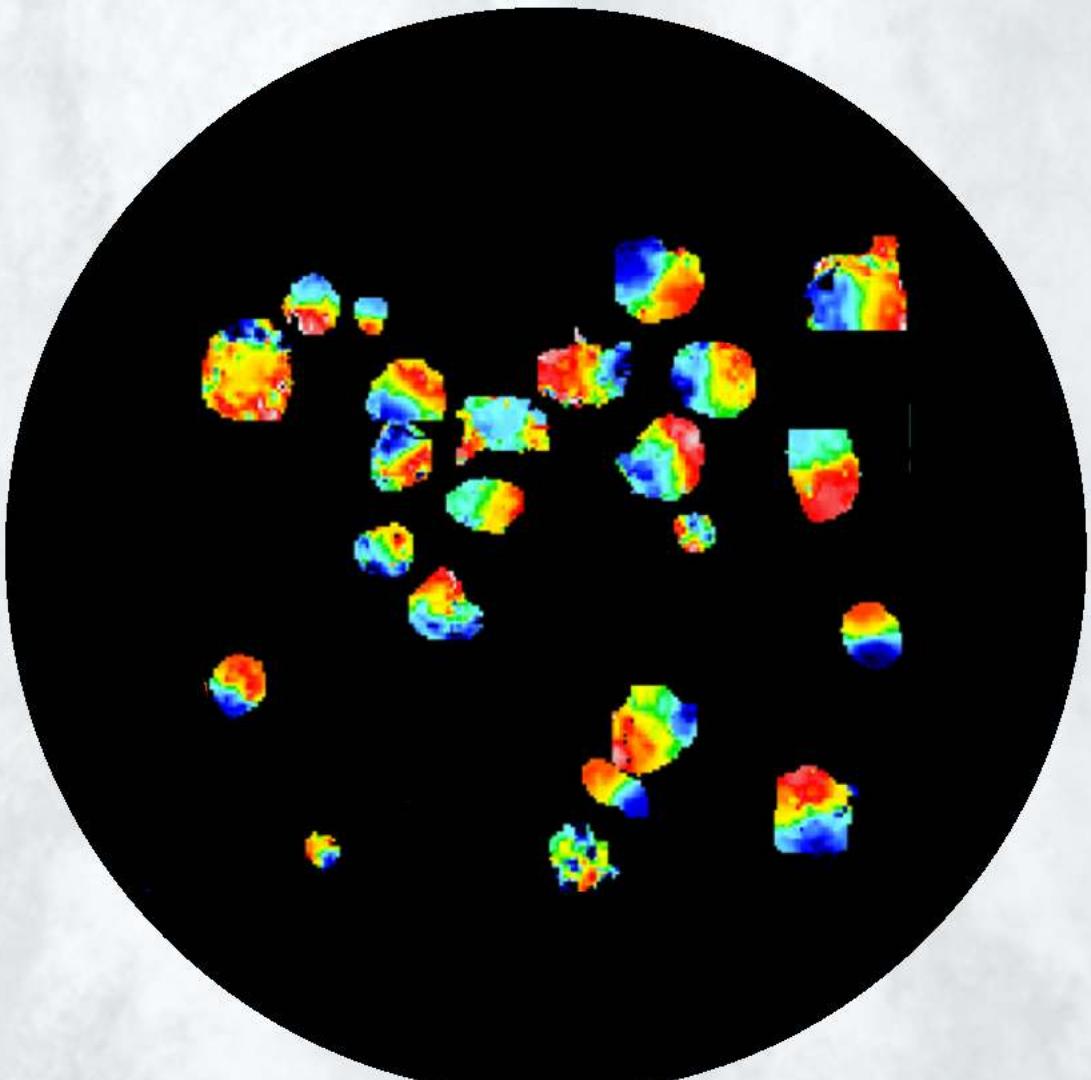
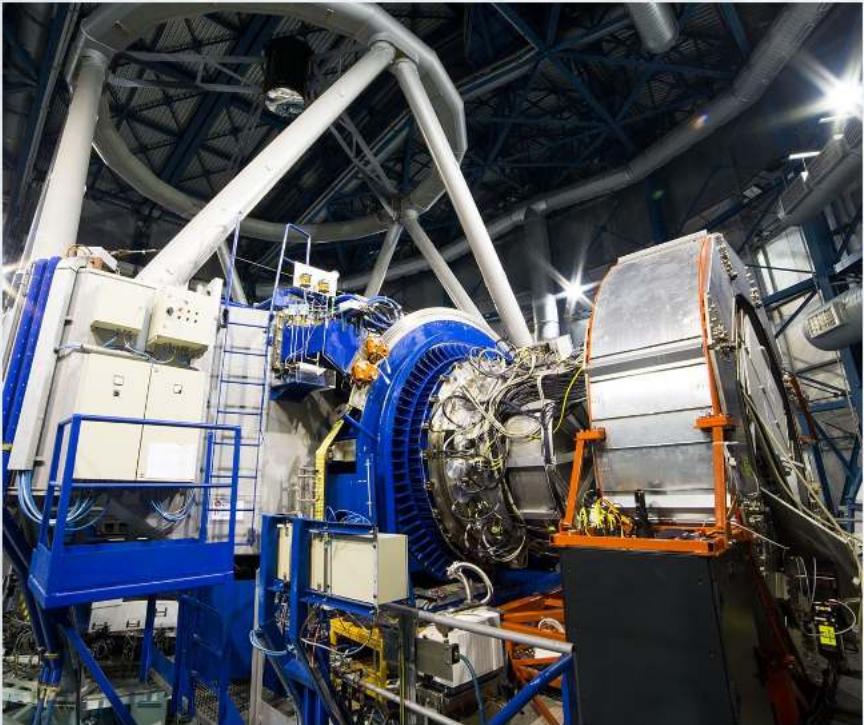
Forster-Schreiber et al. (2006) studied 14 star-forming galaxies at $z \sim 1.5\text{--}2$ using SINFONI and found evidence for rotational support on $\sim 4\text{kpc}$ scales in 12/14 galaxies.

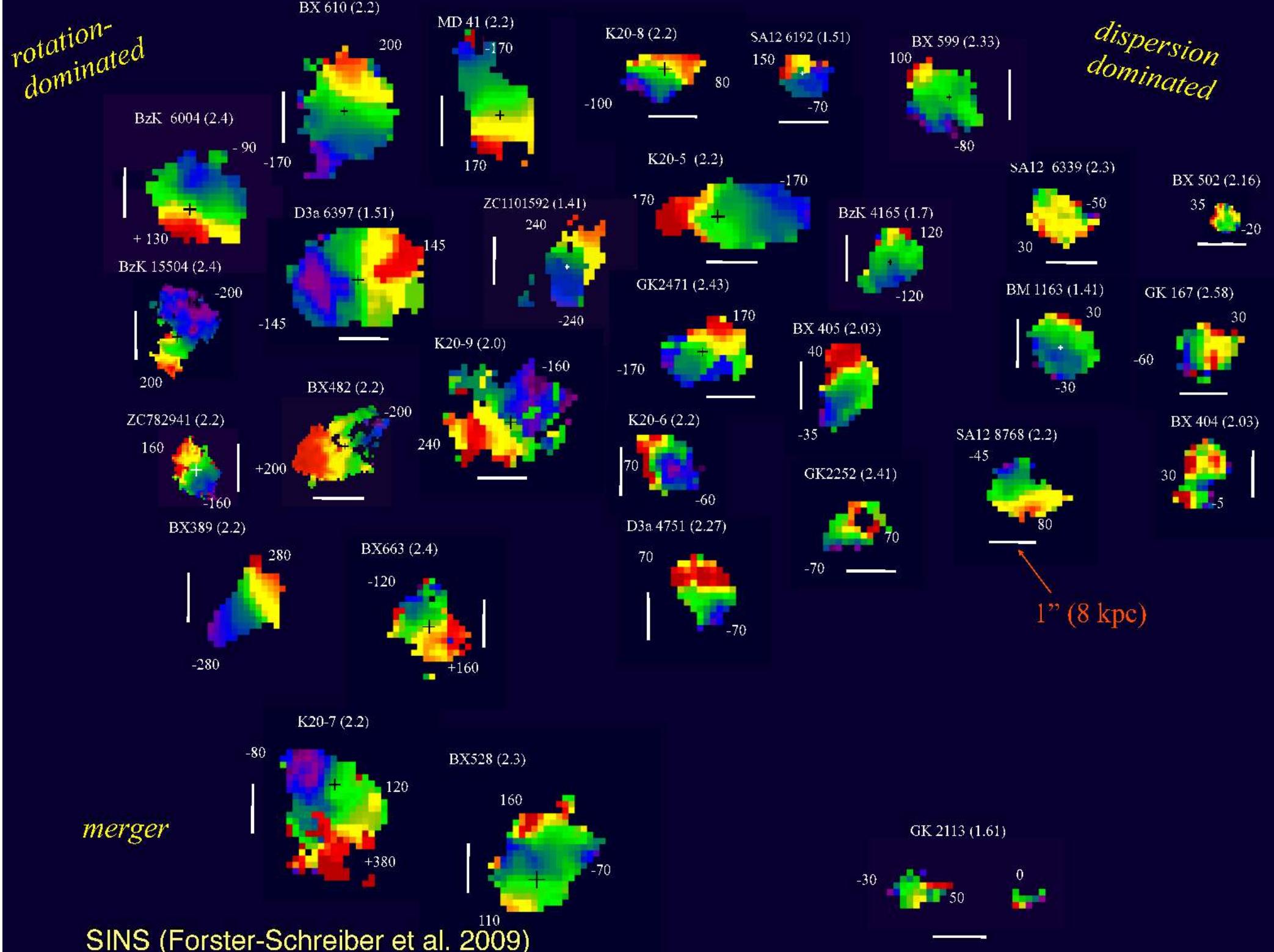


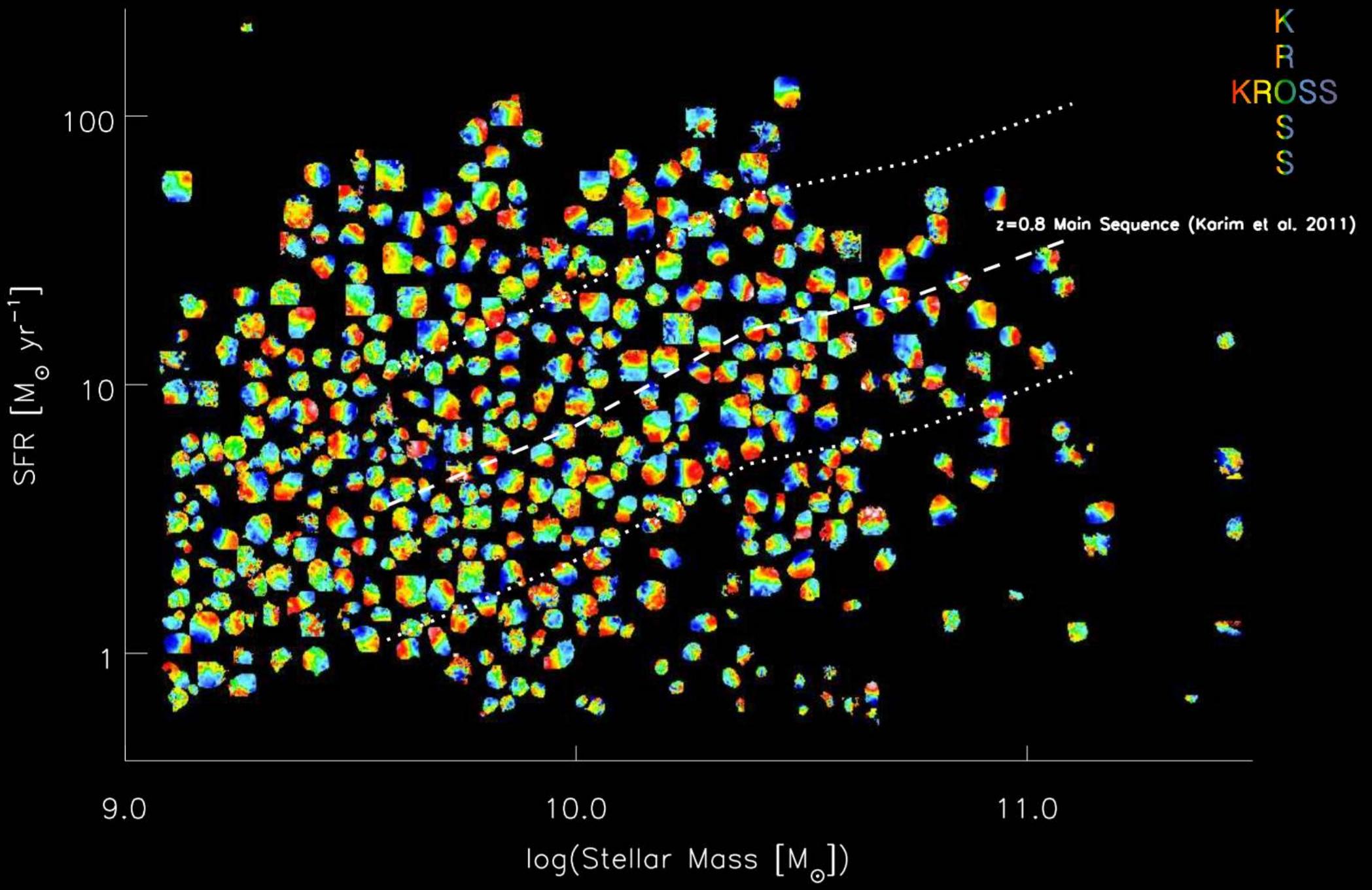




The KMOS + MUSE integral field spectrographs on ESO VLT provides ~24x speed improvement over previous instruments.

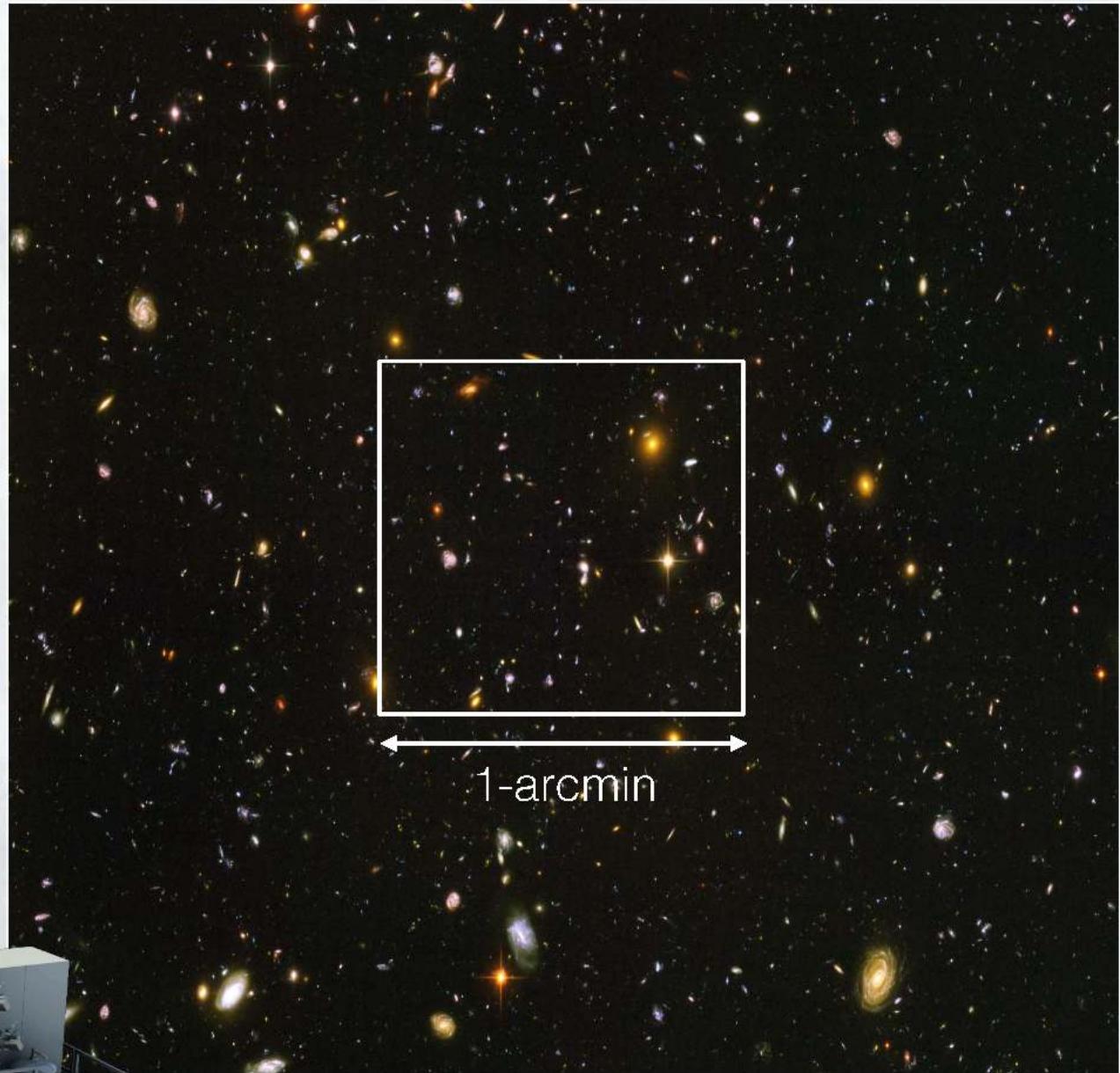
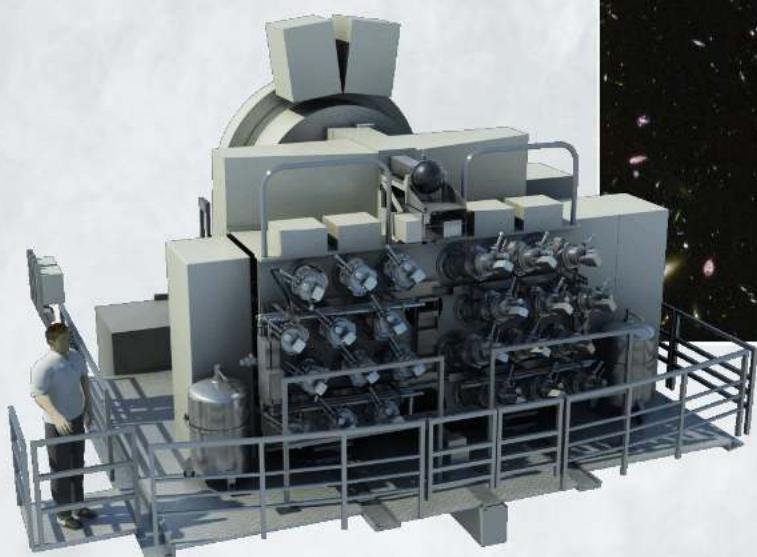




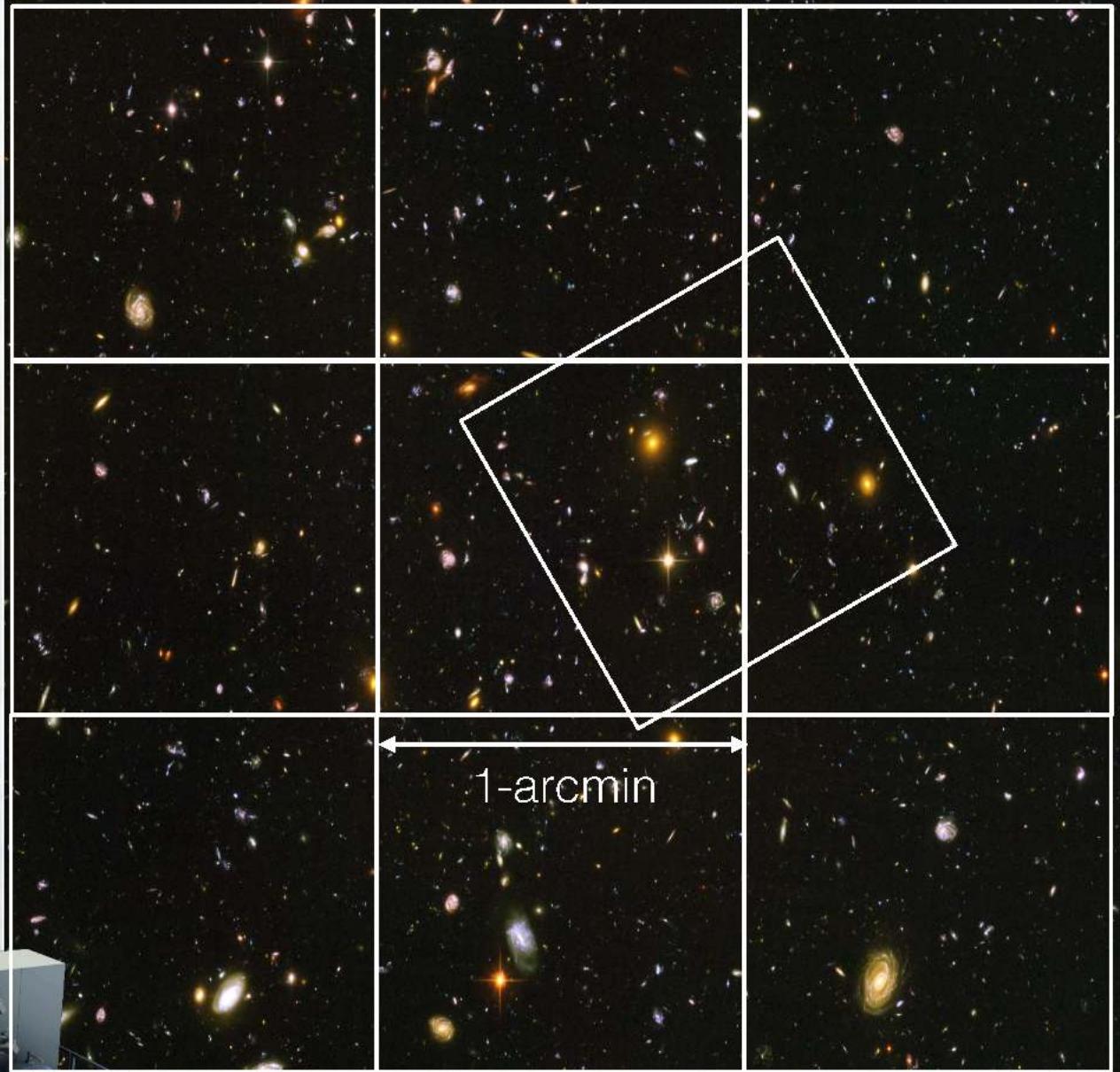
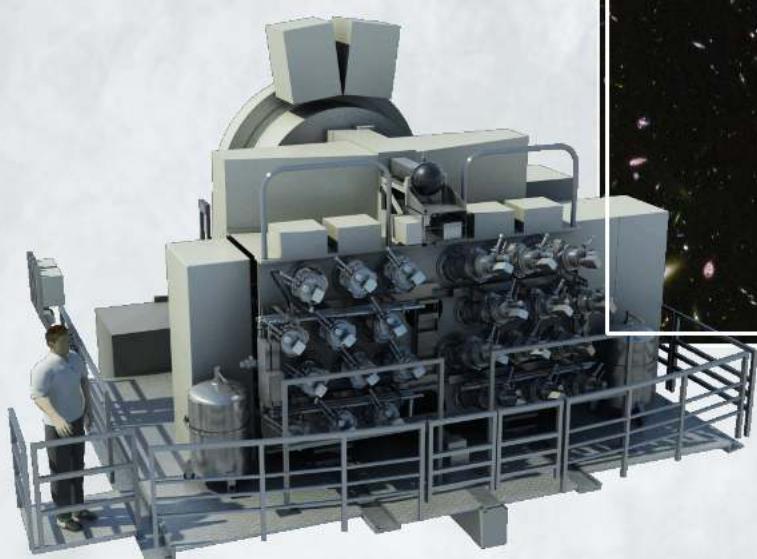


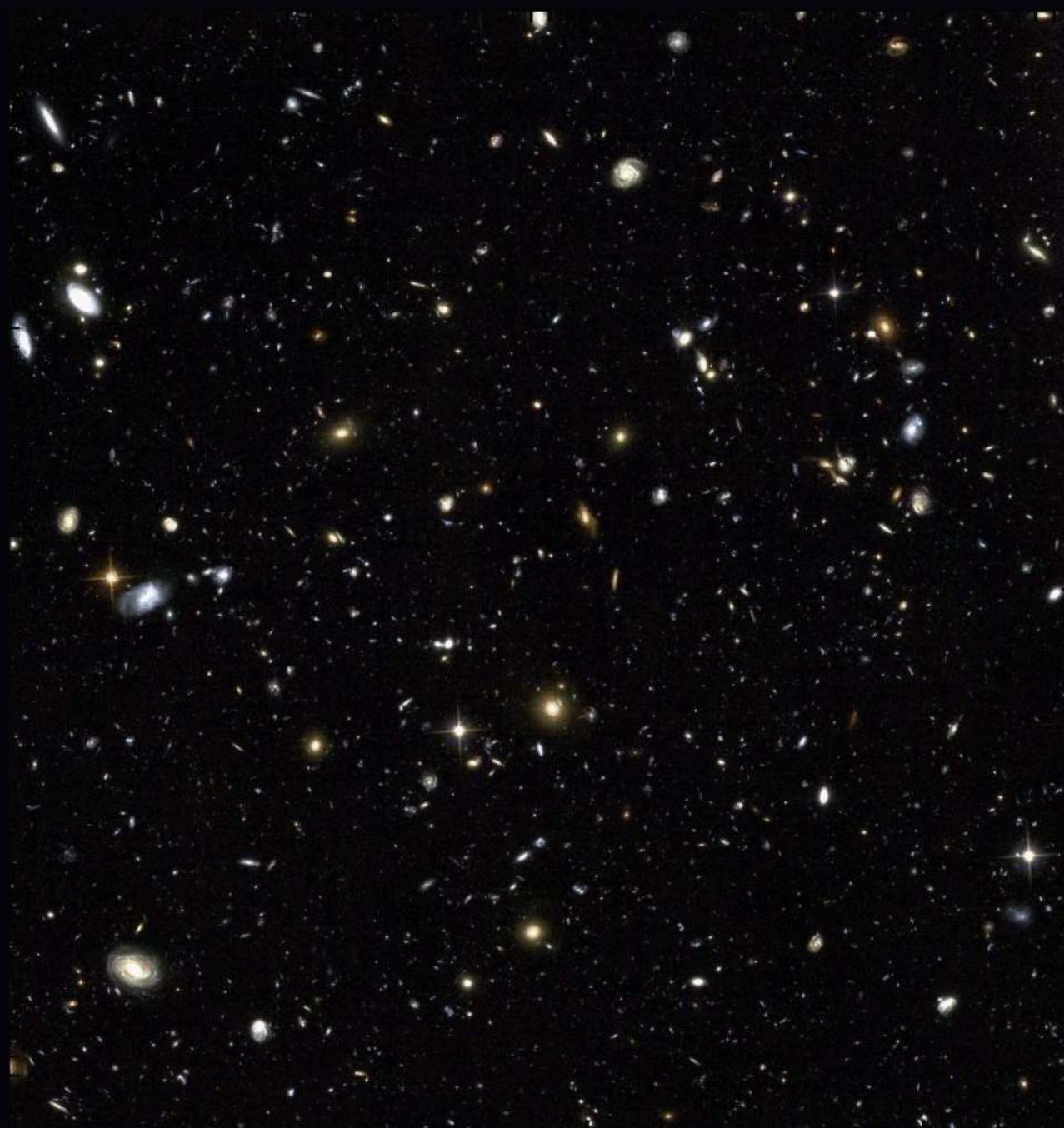
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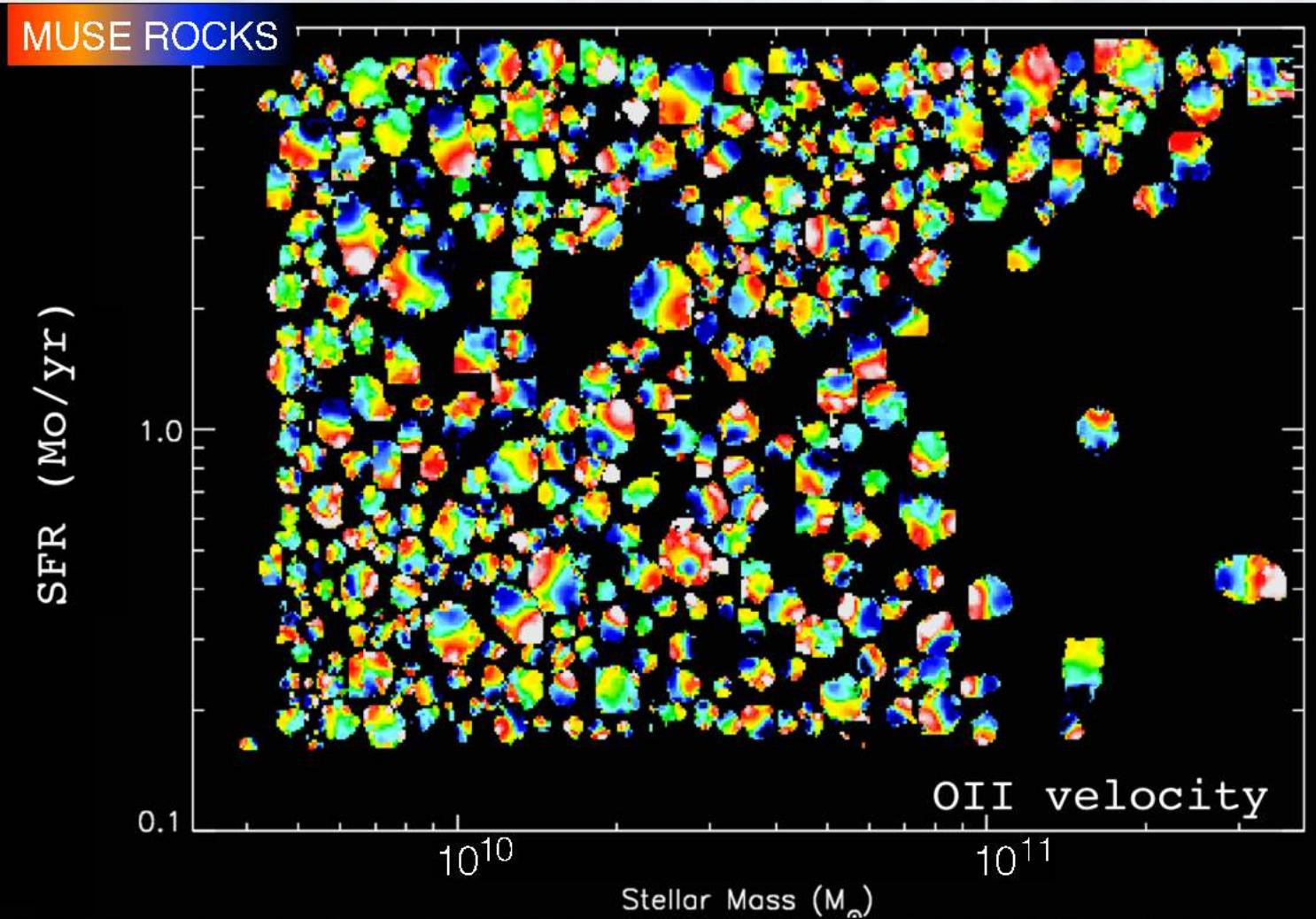
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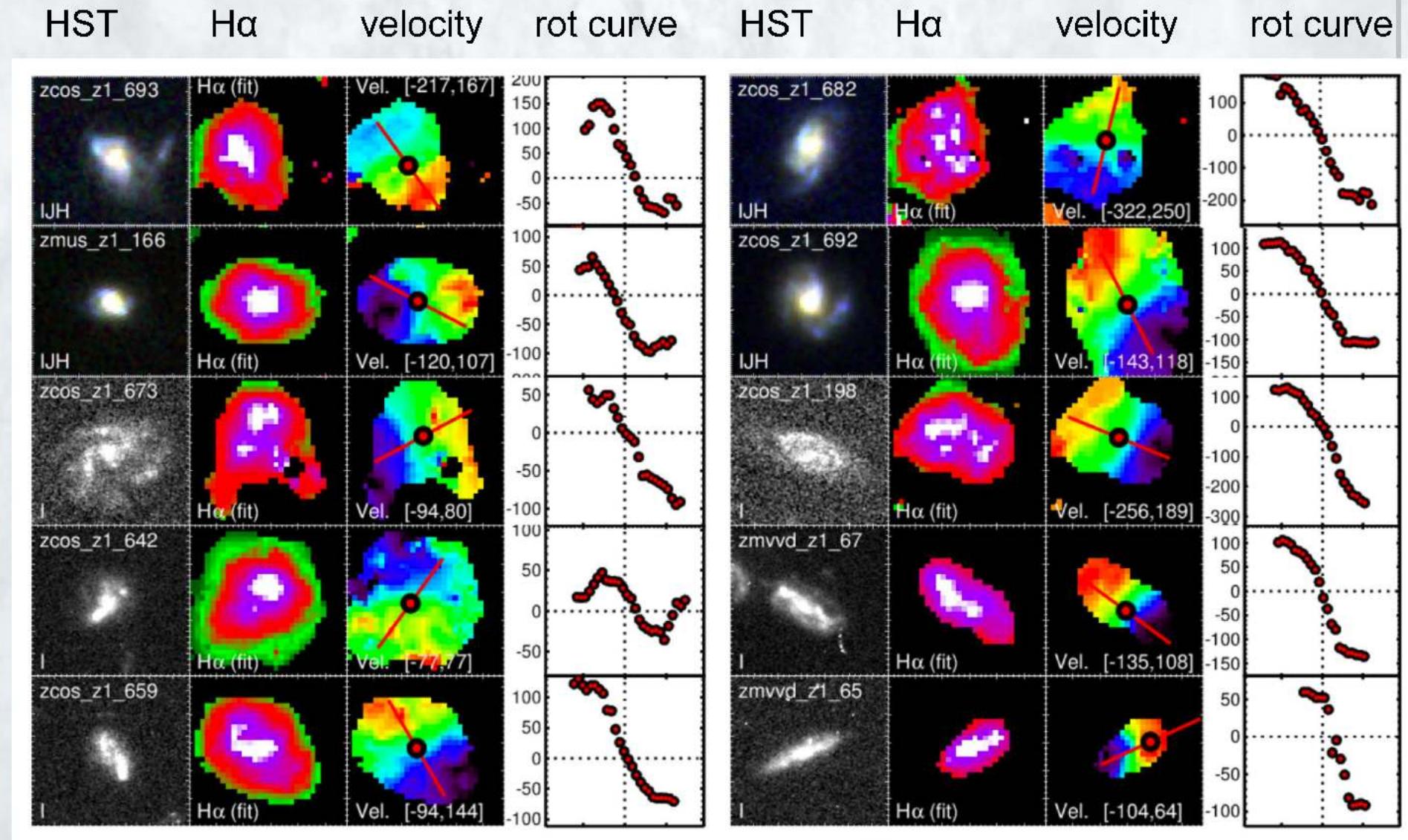






(currently) yields ~ 1500 star-forming galaxies at $z = 0.5 - 1.7$
 $\sim 75\%$ of sample are spatially resolved (~ 1200 galaxies)

The dynamics of high-z galaxies: what we get



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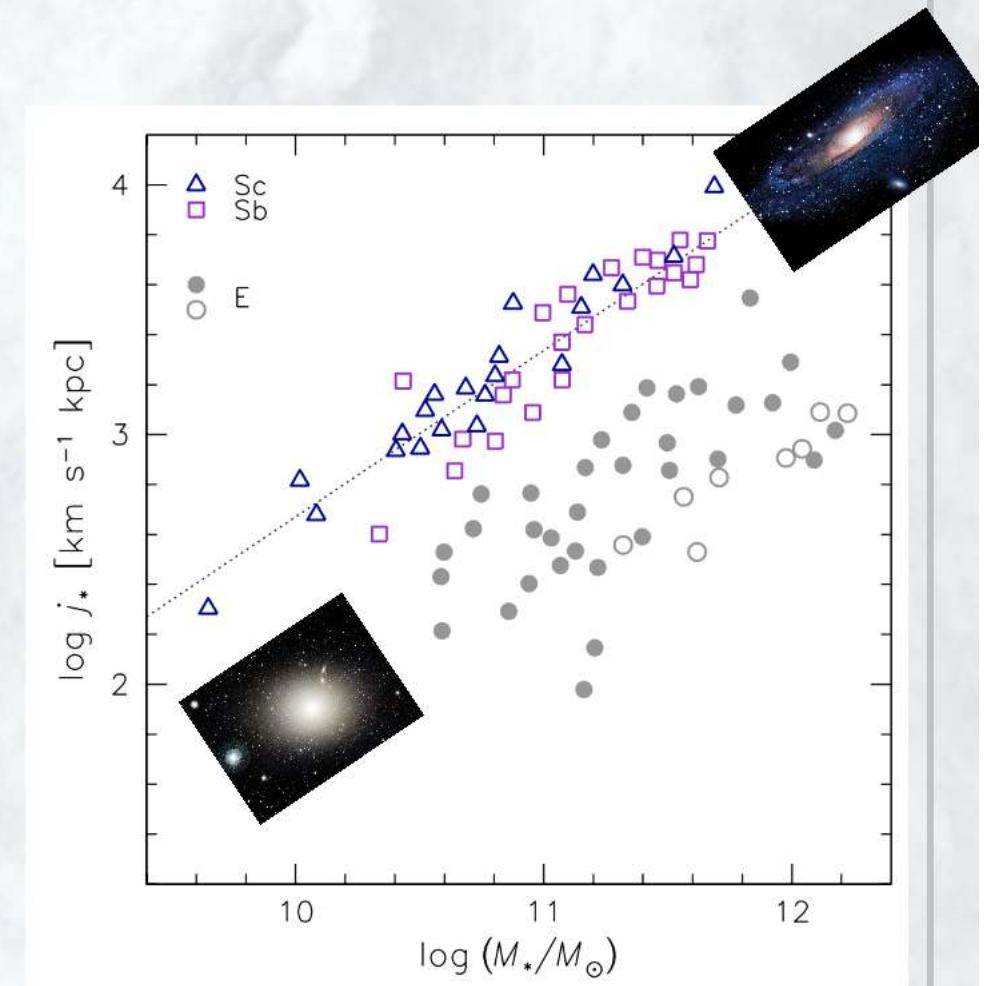
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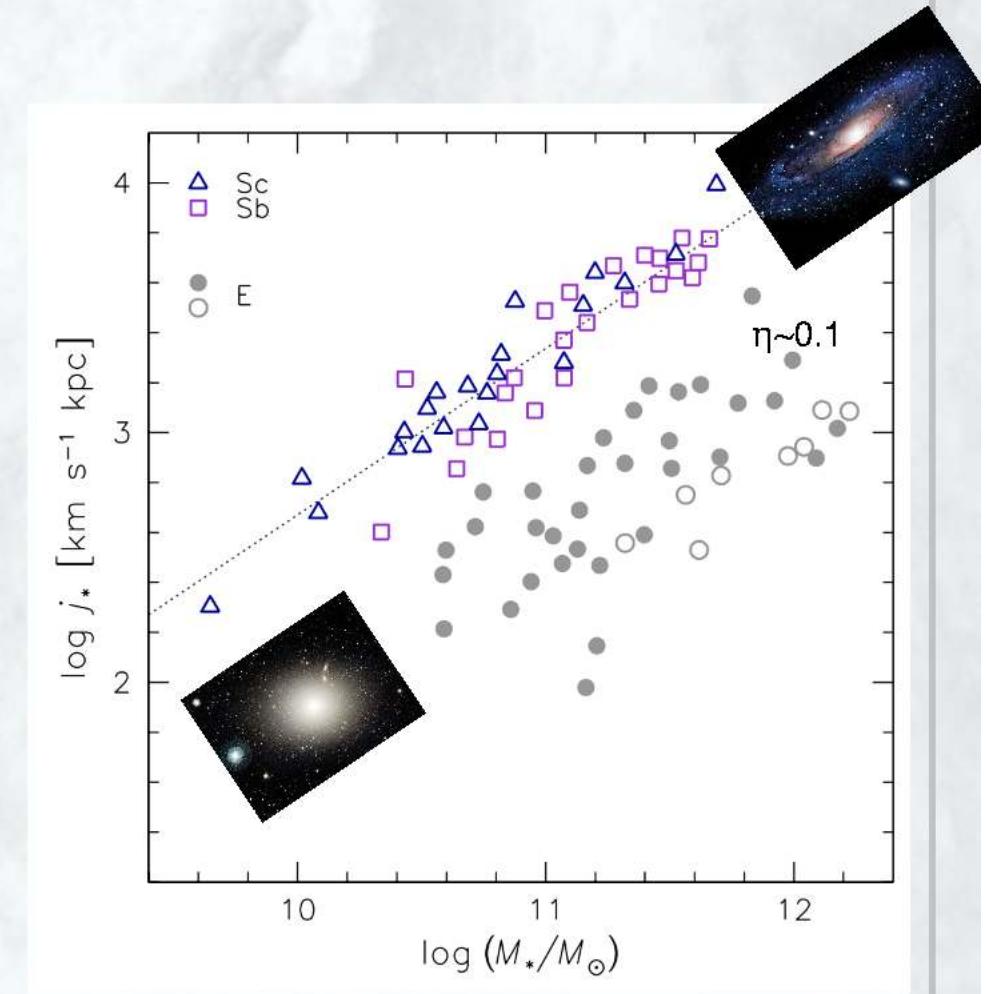
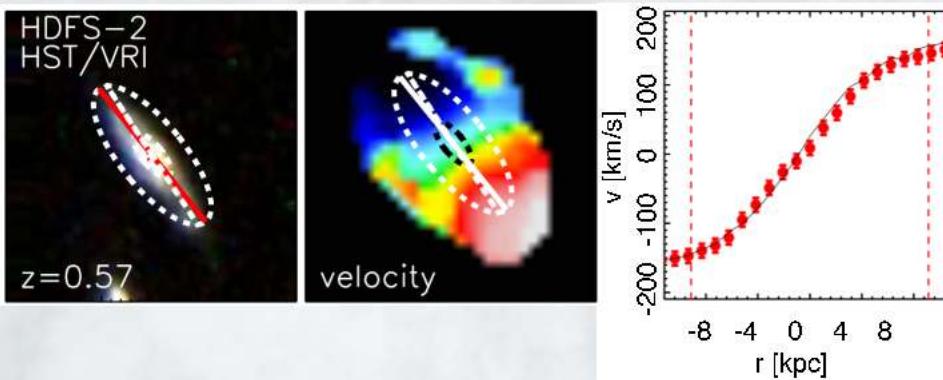
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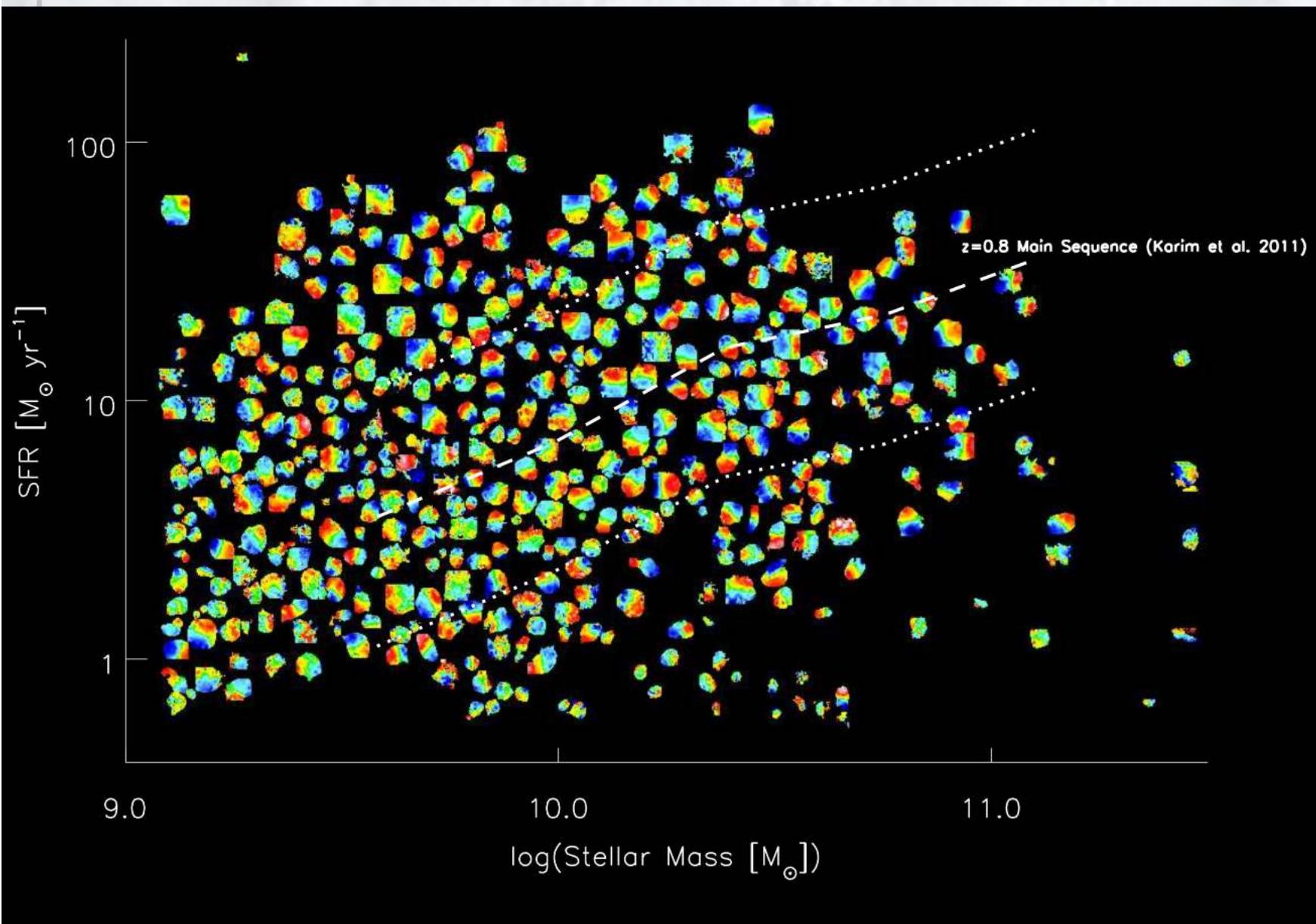
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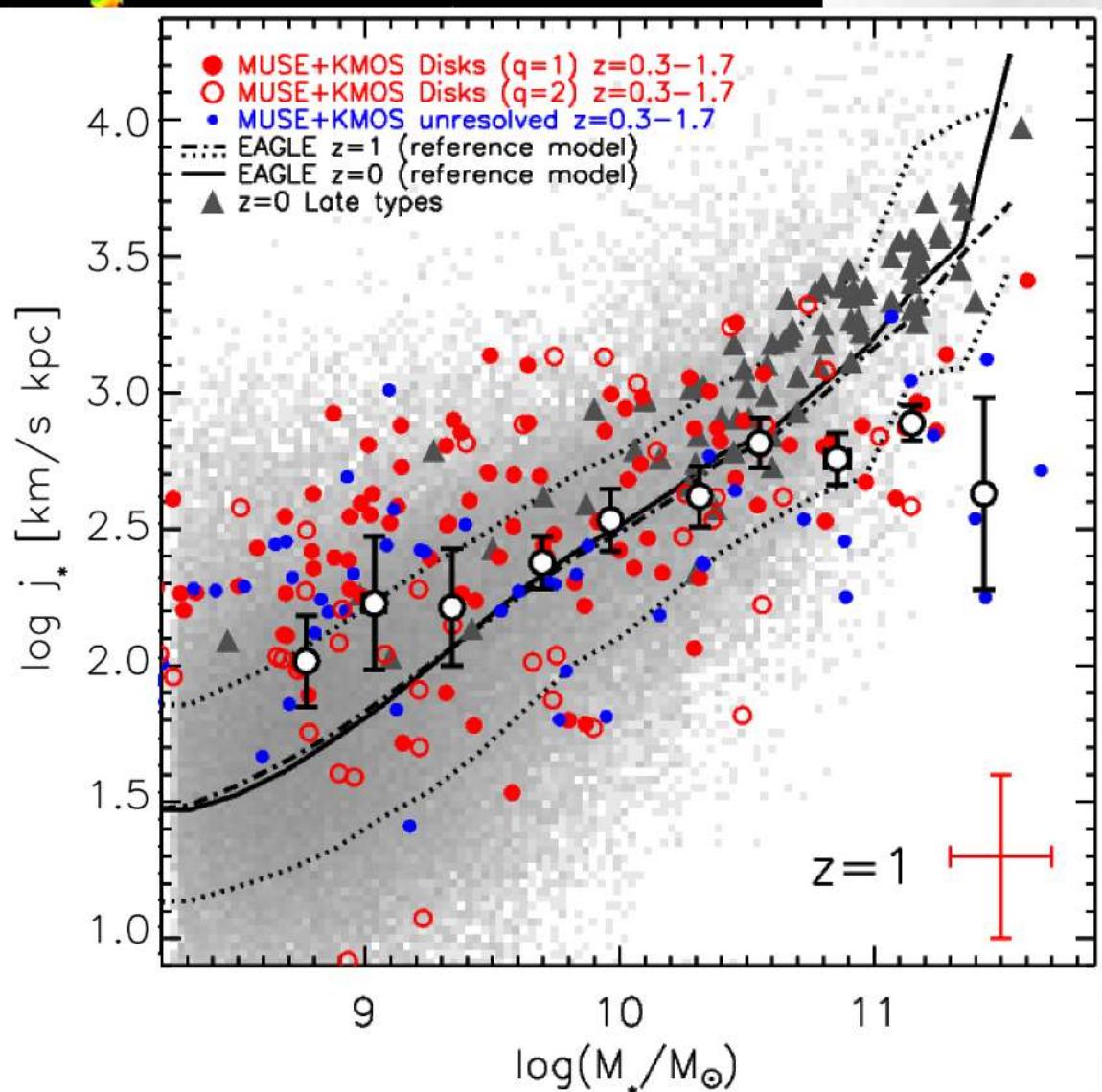
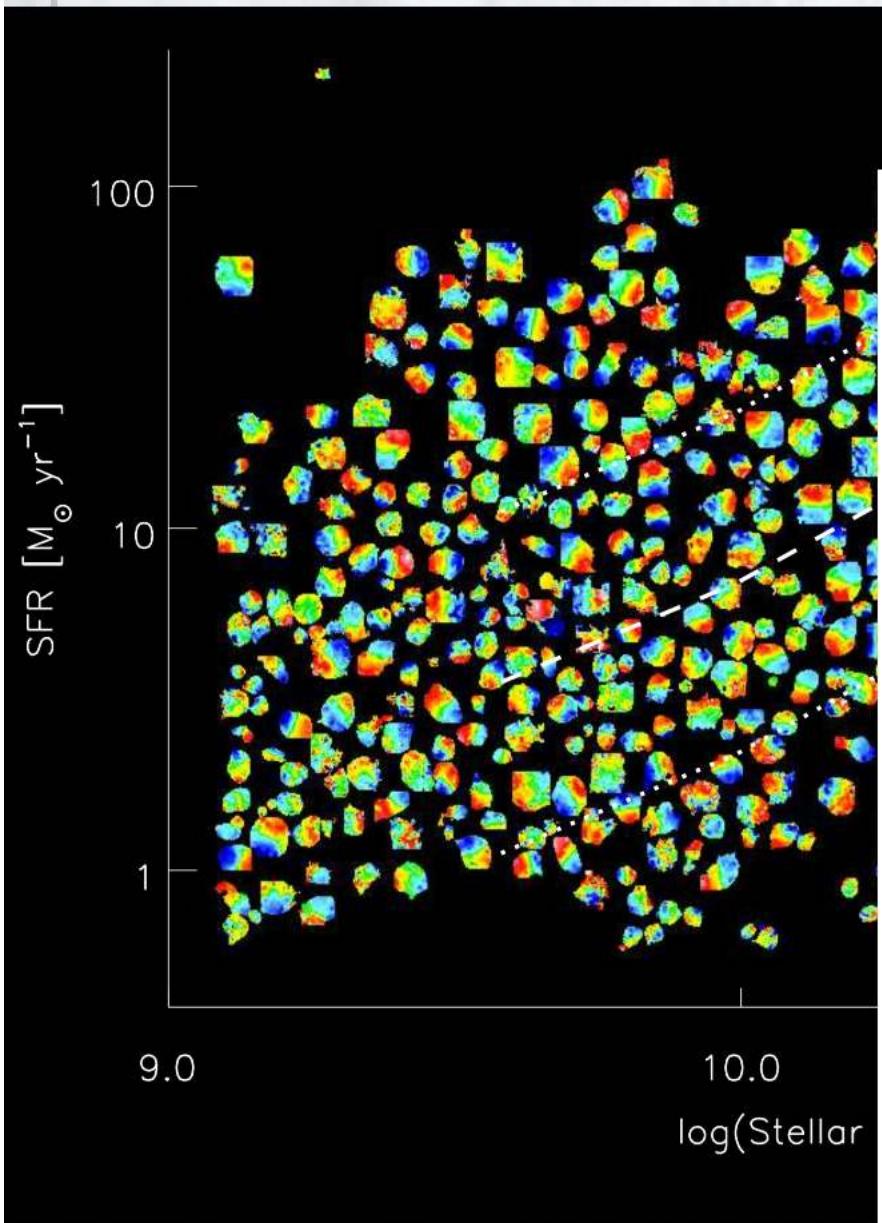
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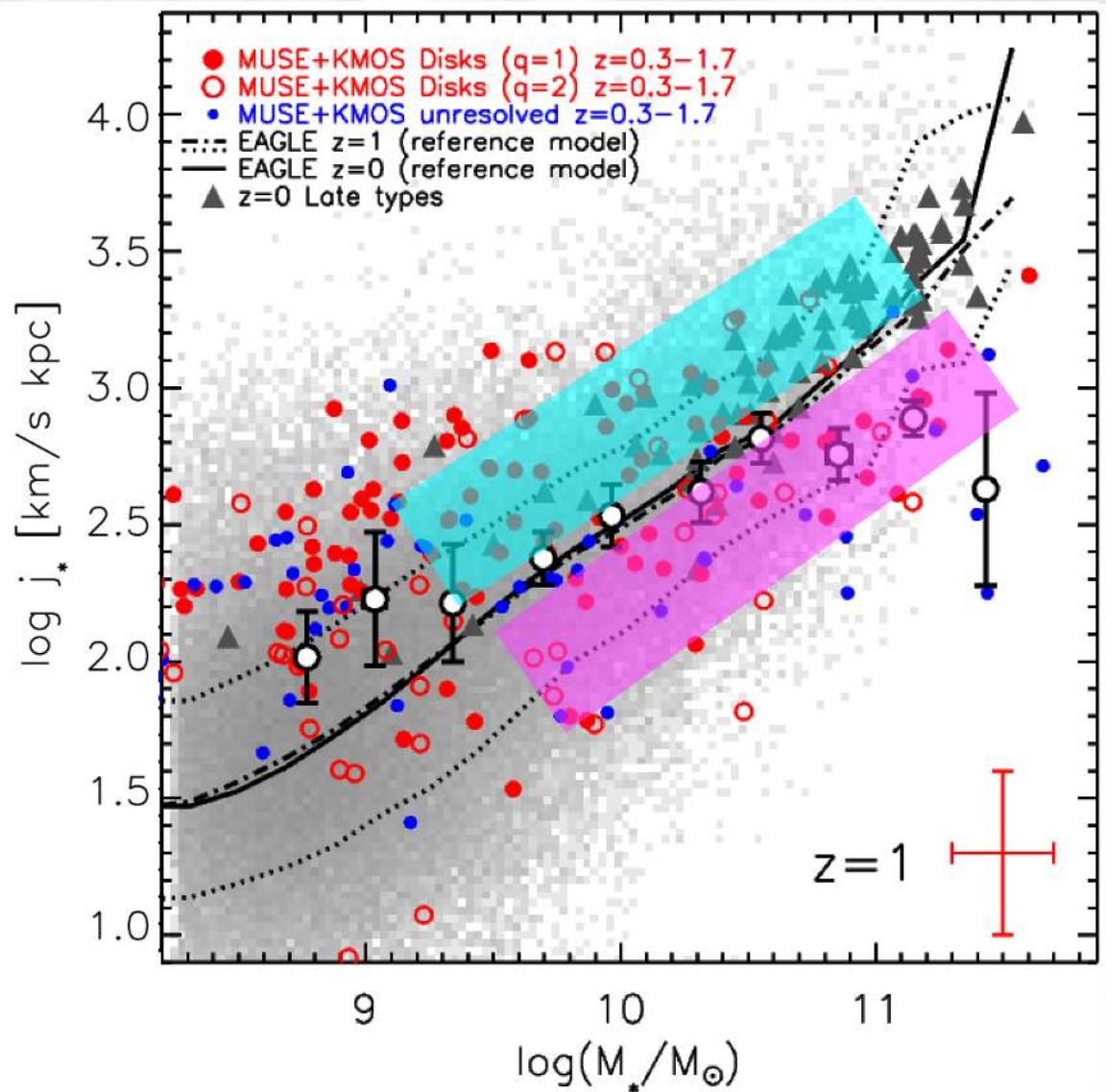
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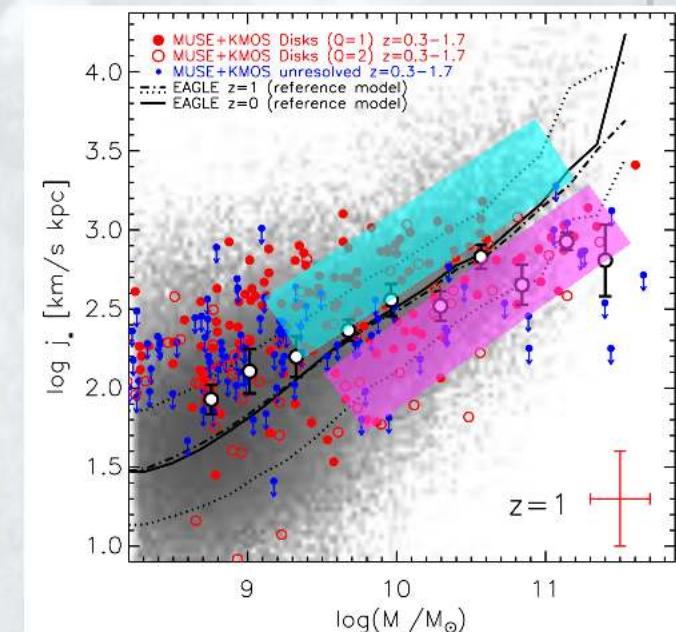
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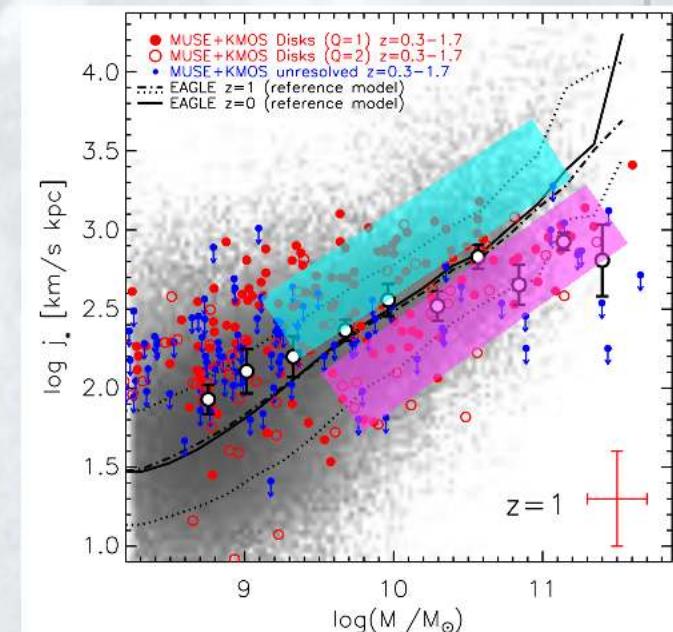
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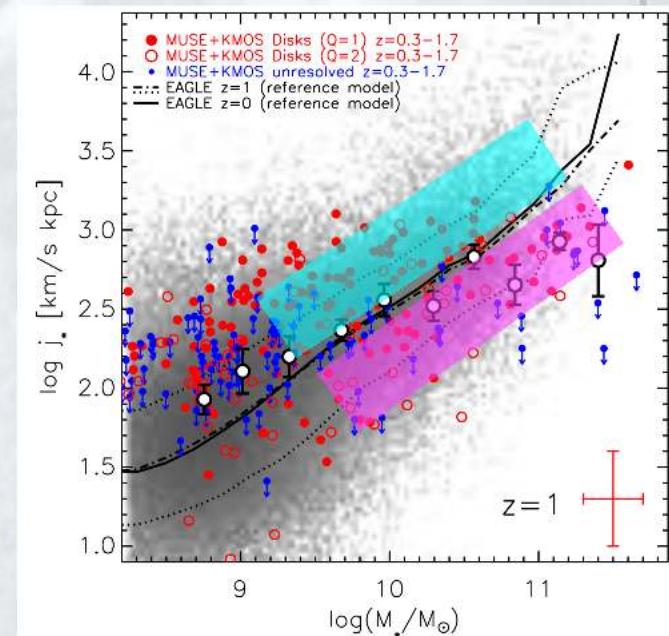
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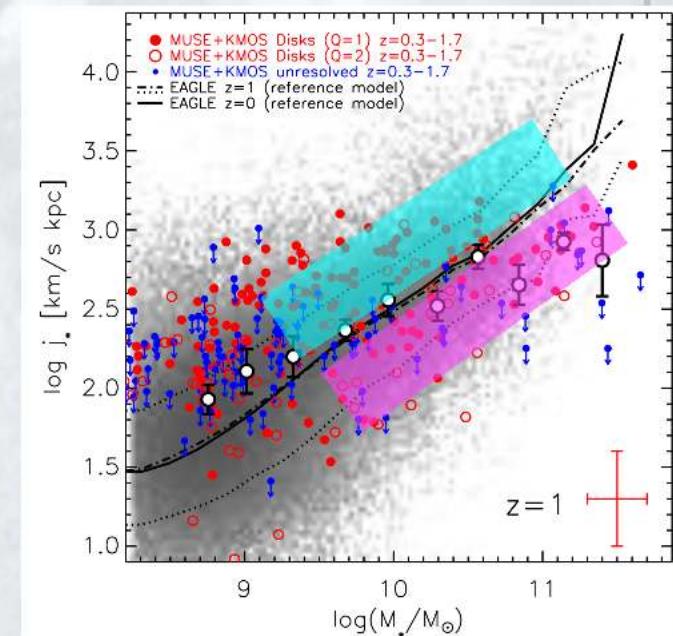
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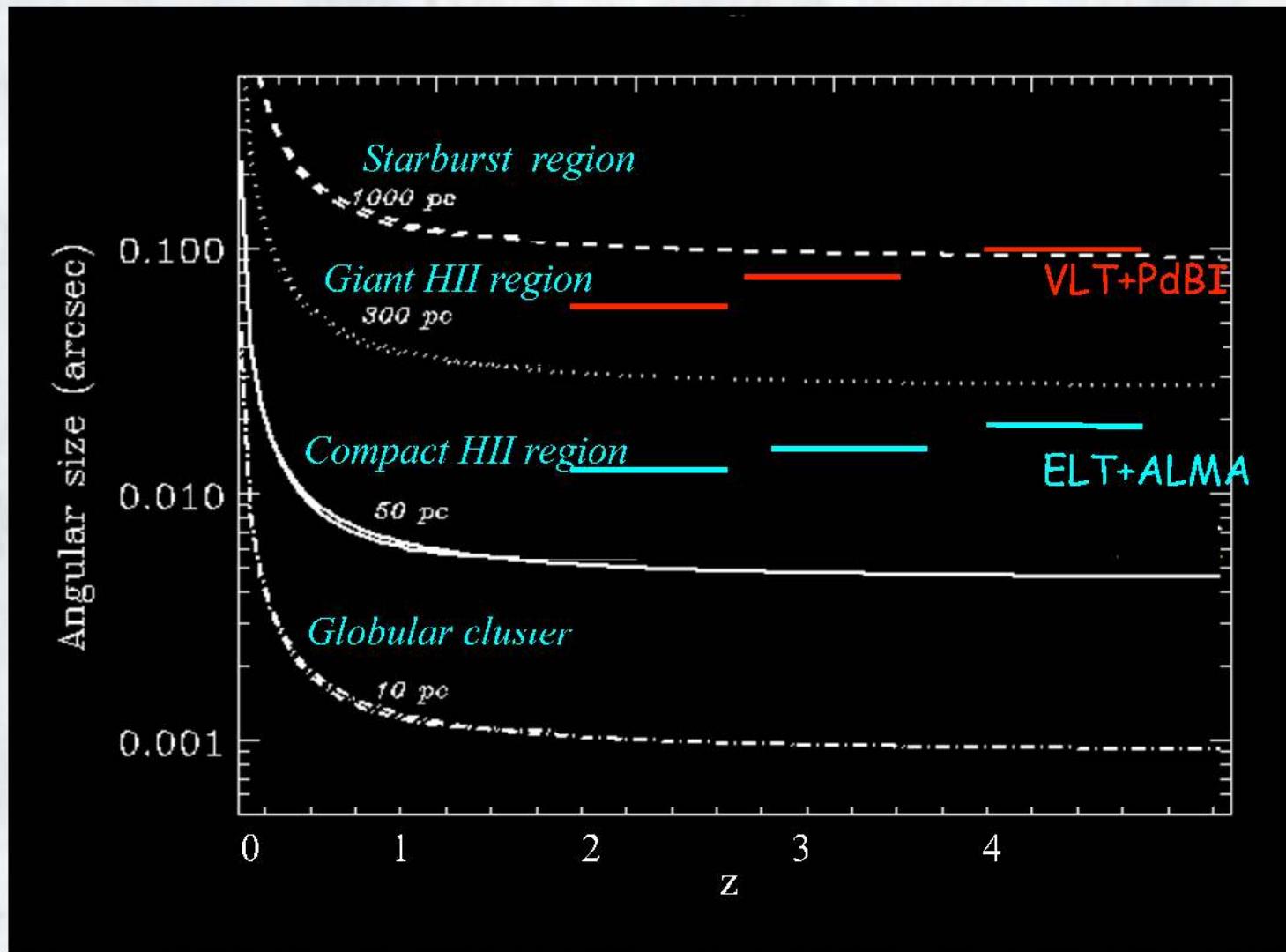
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Can we identify “clumps” on these scales and measure their dynamical properties?

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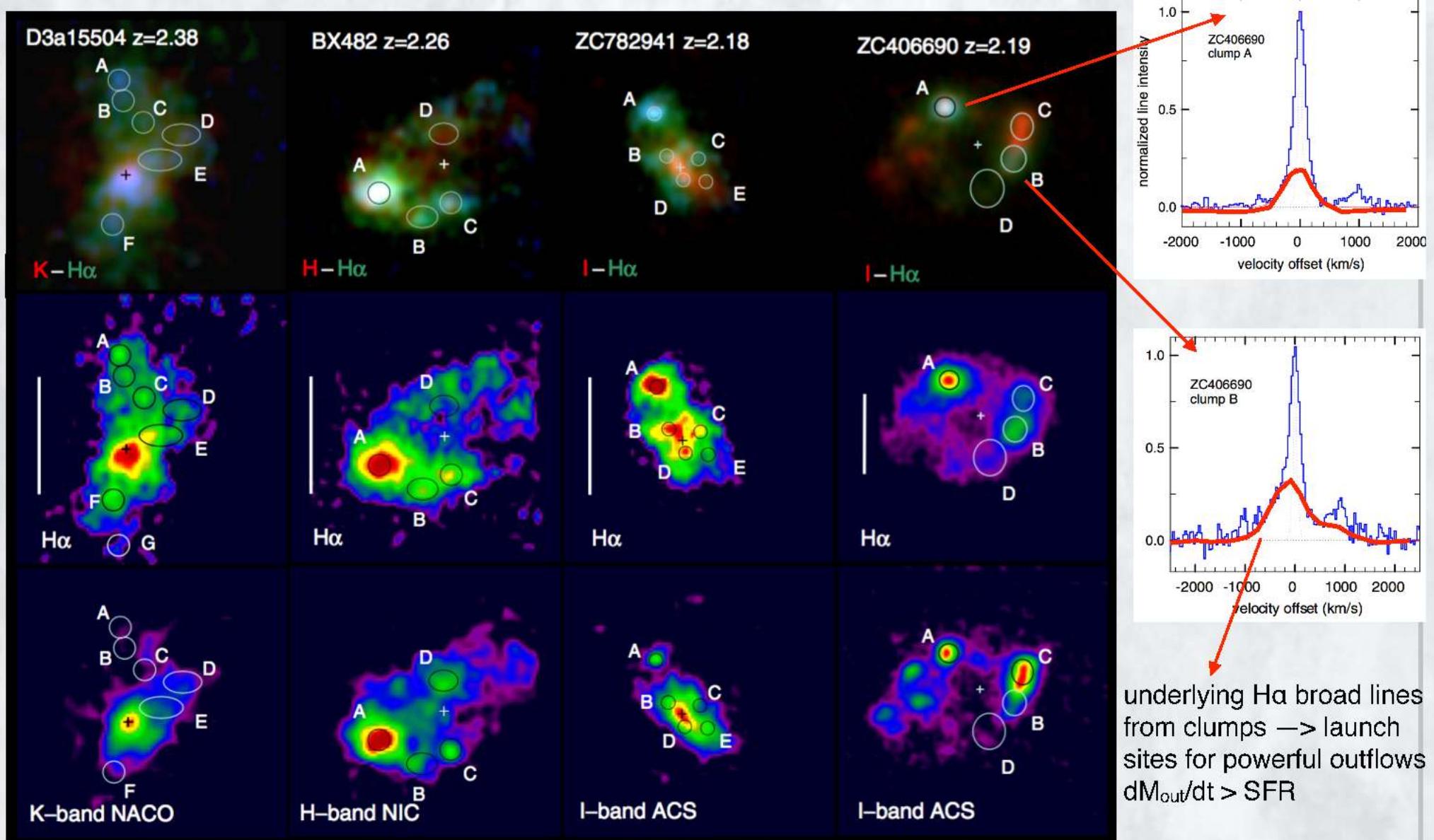
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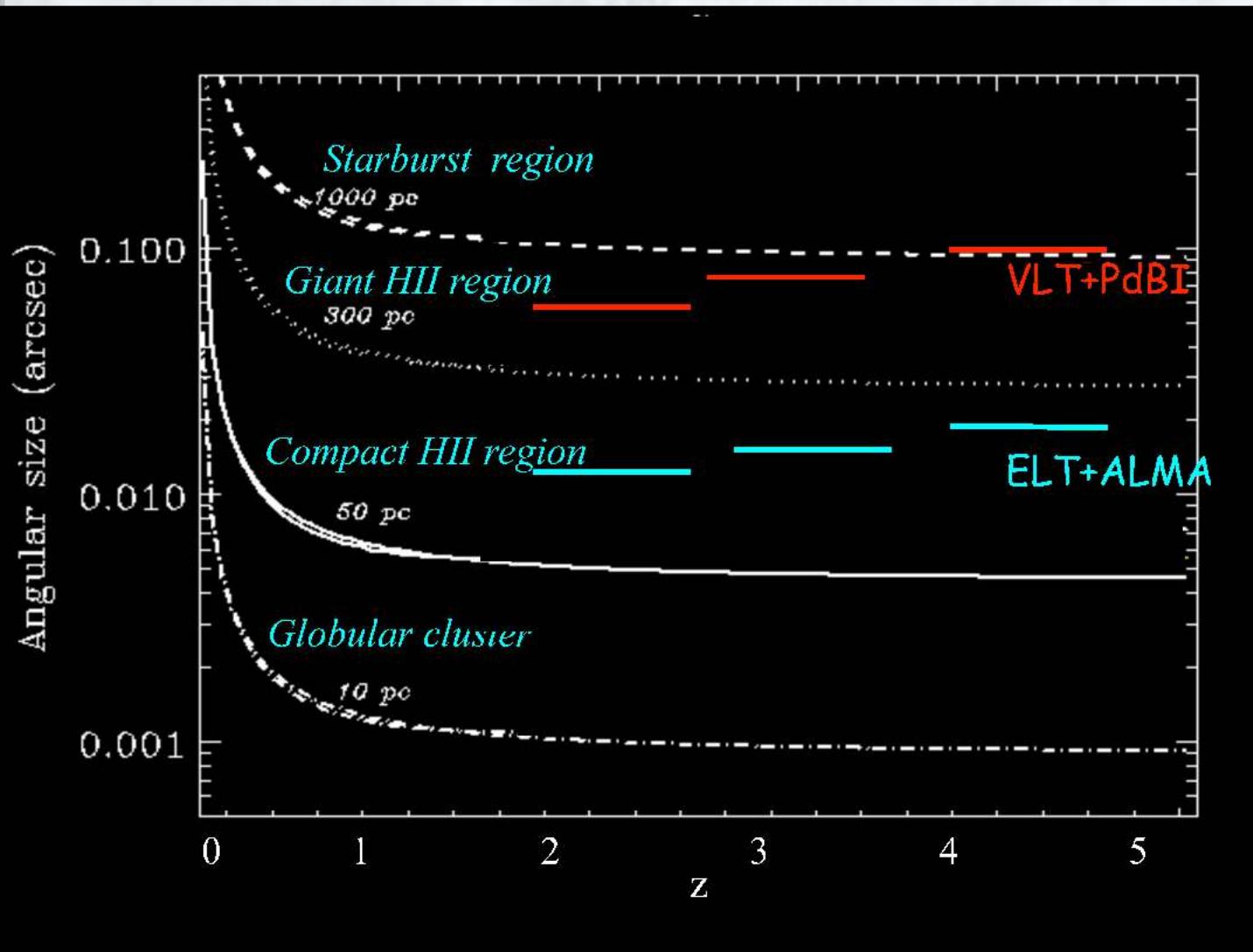
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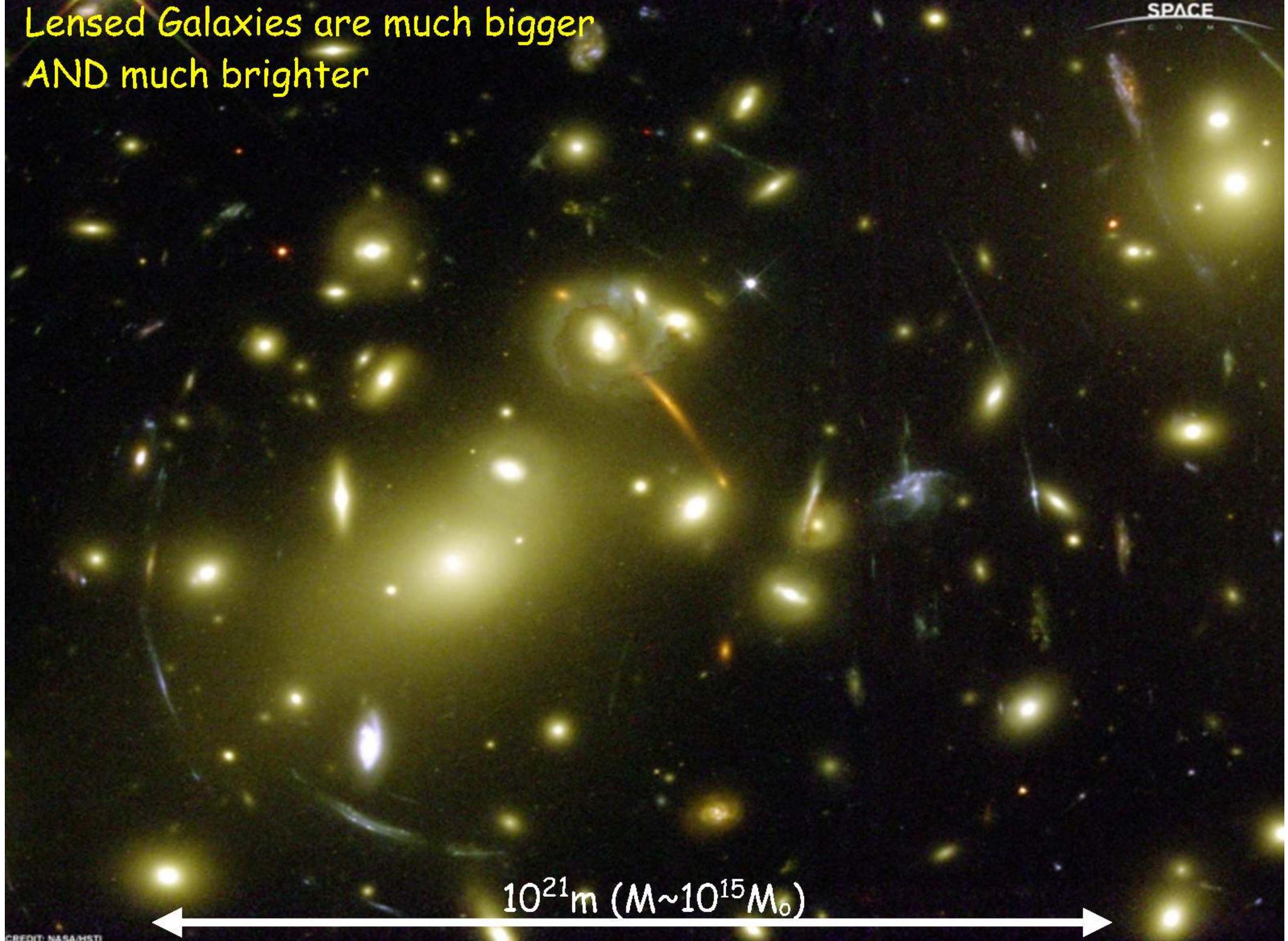
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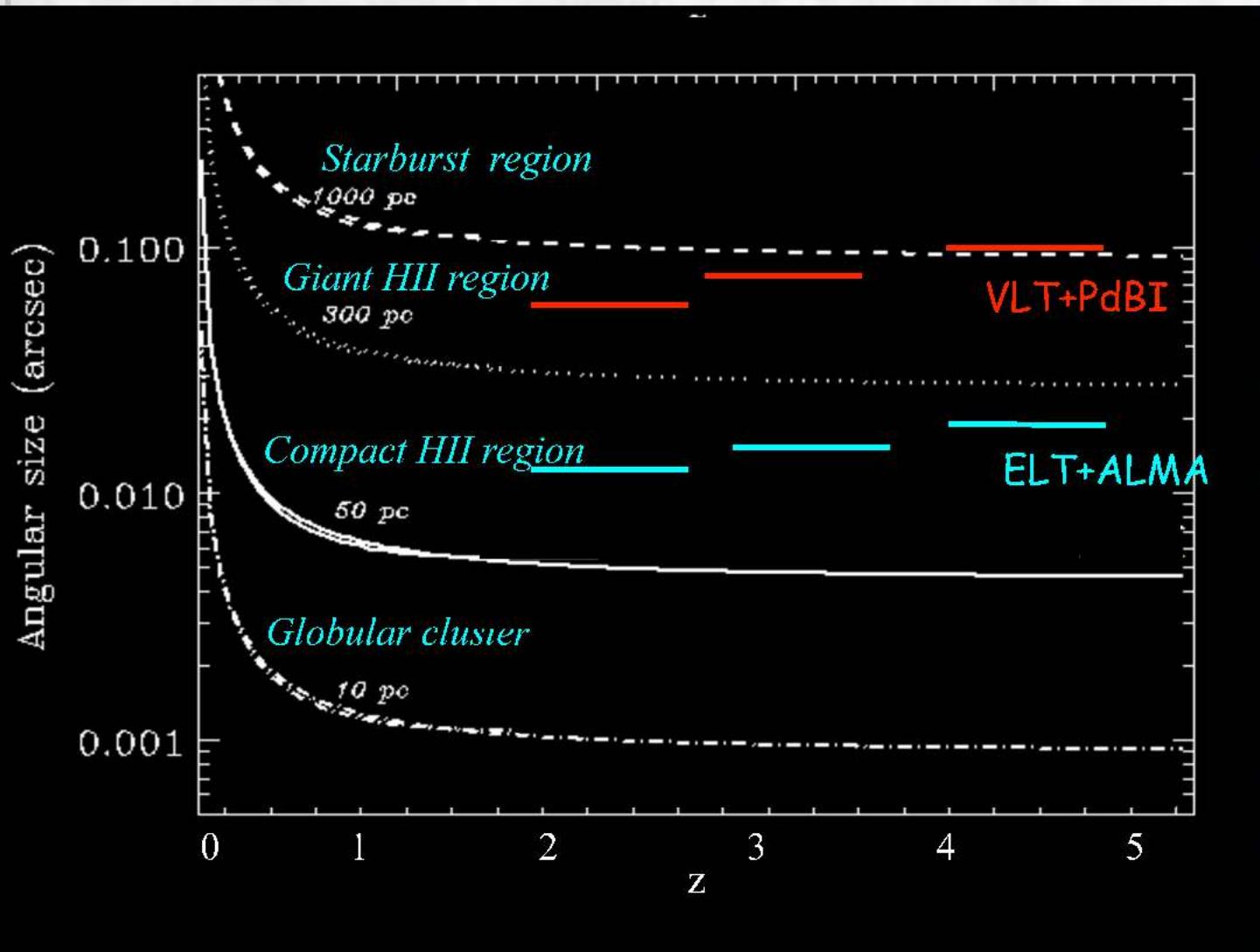




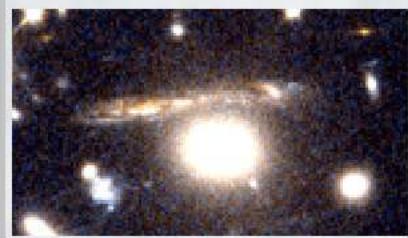
Lensed Galaxies are much bigger
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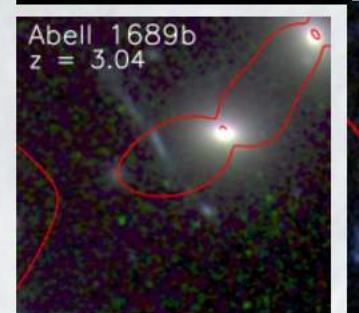
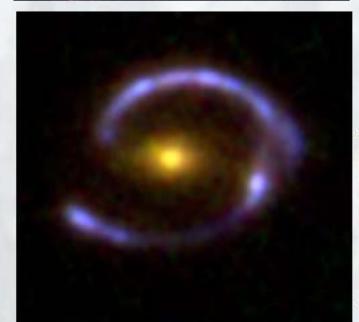
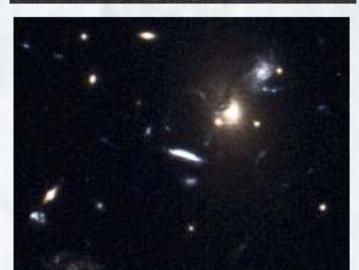
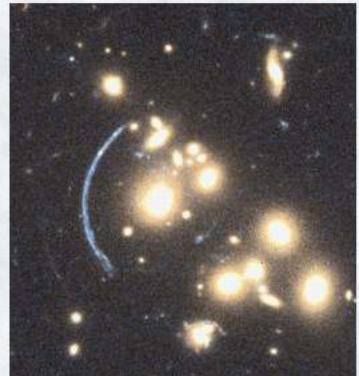
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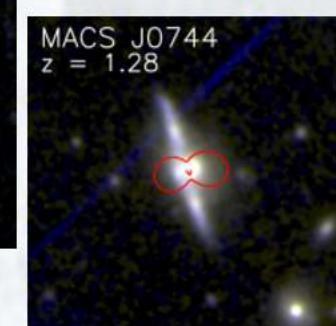
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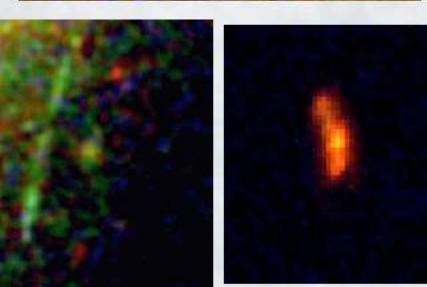
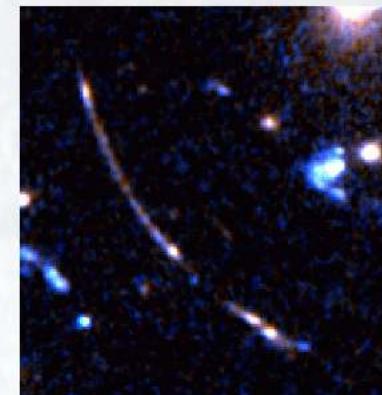
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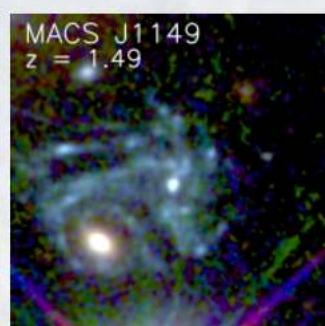
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 $z = 1.28$



$z \sim 5$

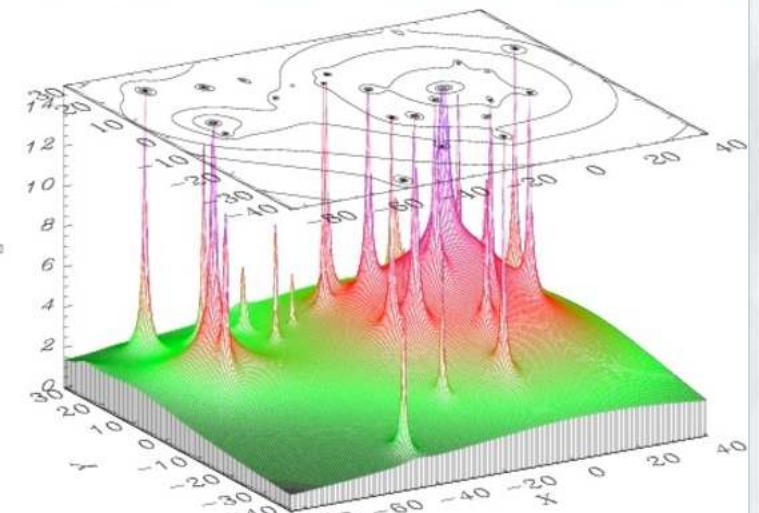
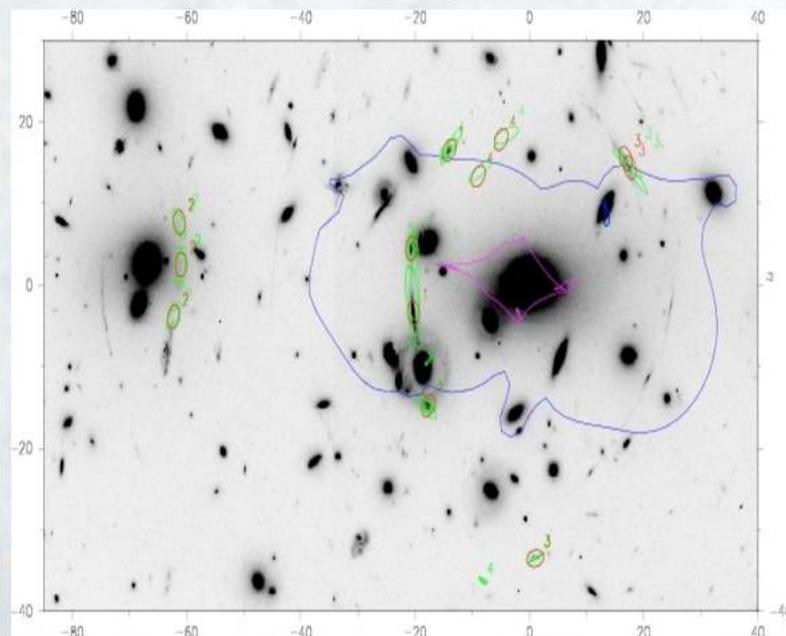


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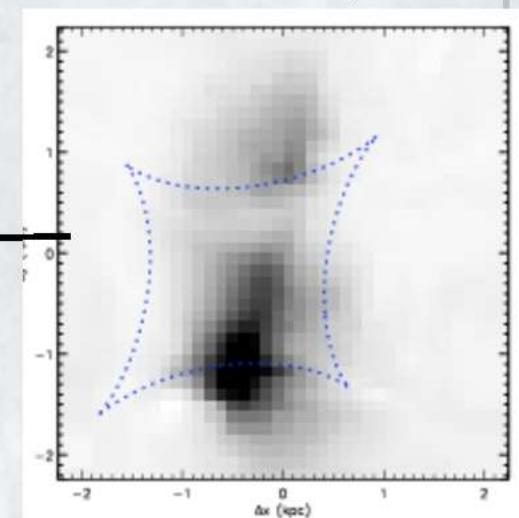
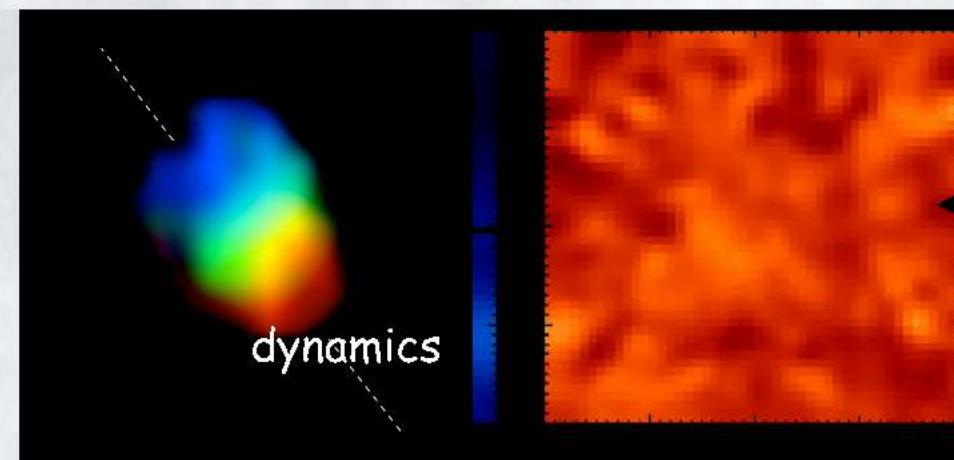
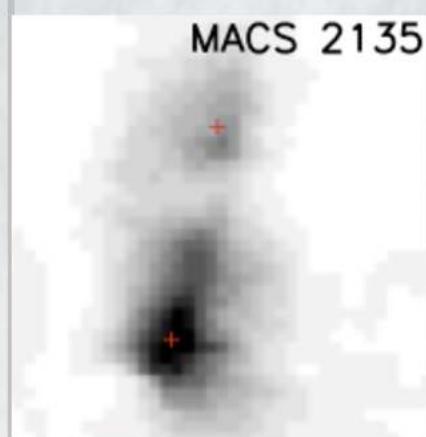


Example: Mass modelling + source plane reconstruction of z=3 galaxy

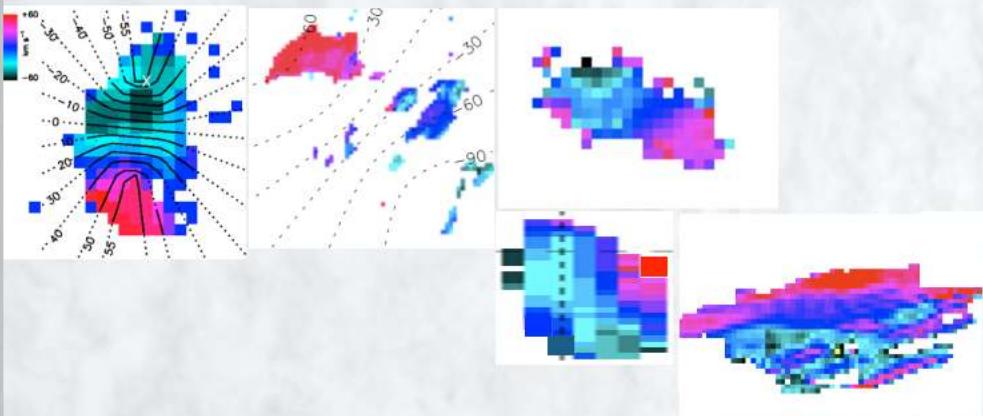
Original image → Galaxy Cluster → Lens model



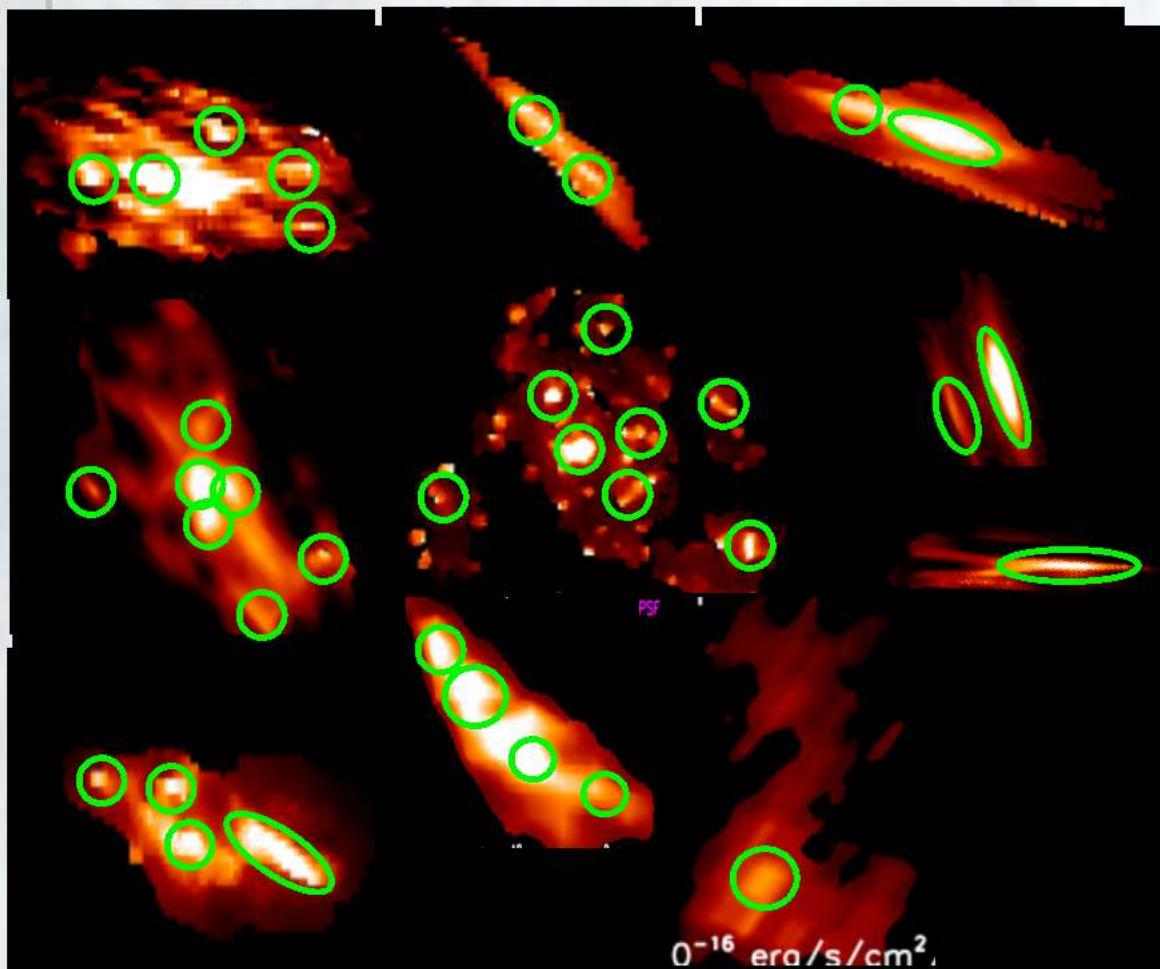
SF and dynamics maps with
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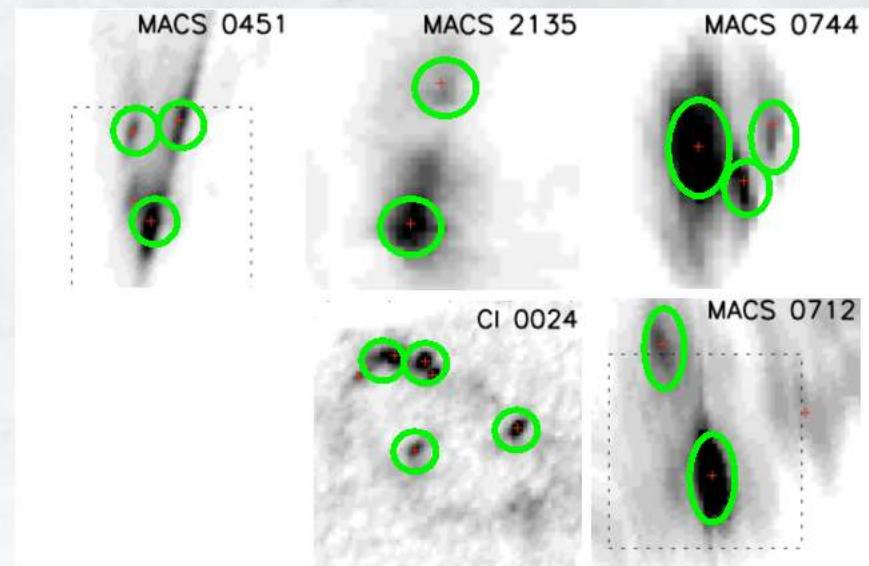
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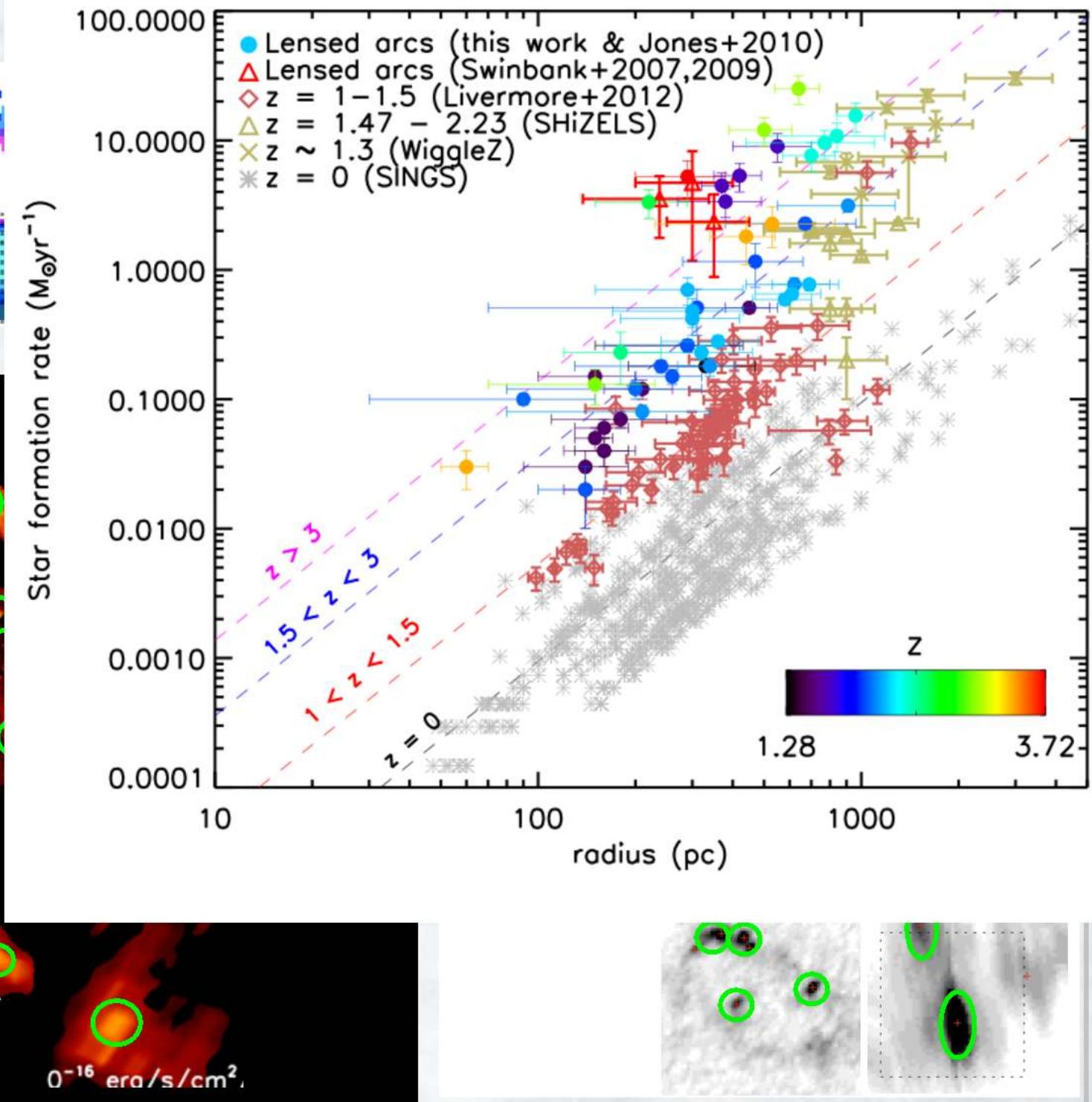
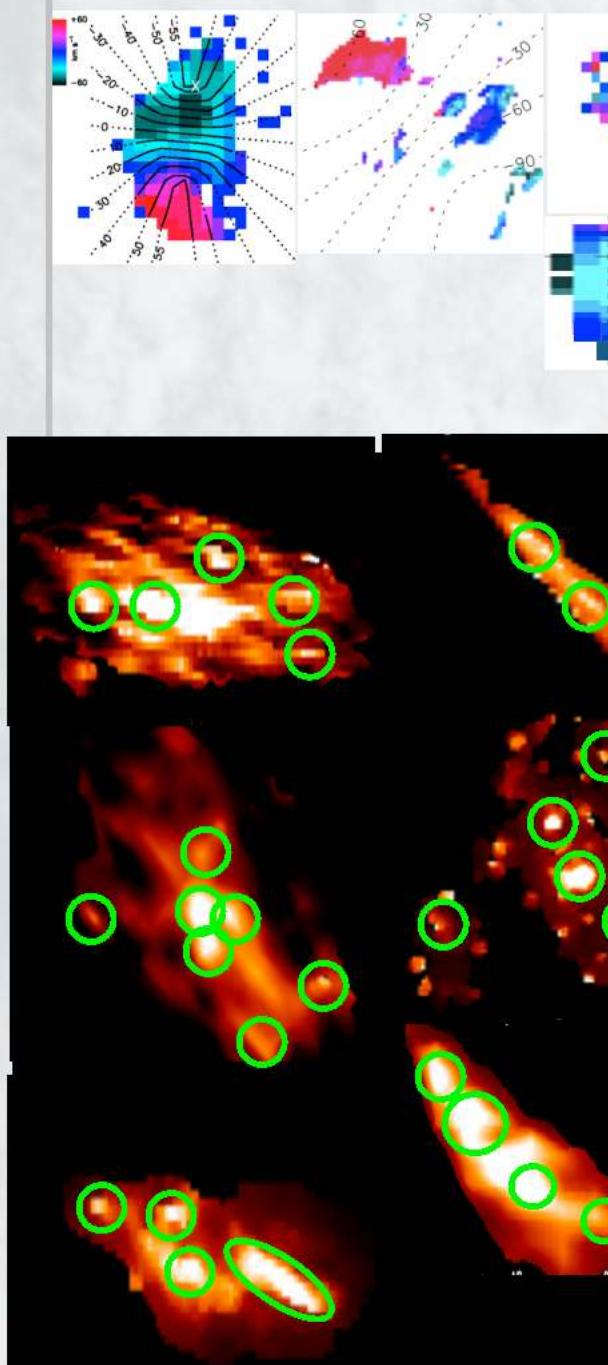
- 19 lensed galaxies observed with AO using VLT/SINFONI and Gemini/NIFS to reach 100-300pc resolution (source plane).
- 16/19 systems display ‘coherent’ velocity gradients across 2–10kpc in projection
- 15 consistent with rotation, 2 merger, 3 ambiguous.



High-z galaxies display “clumpy” morphologies. The properties of the SF clumps reflect those of the underlying ISM.



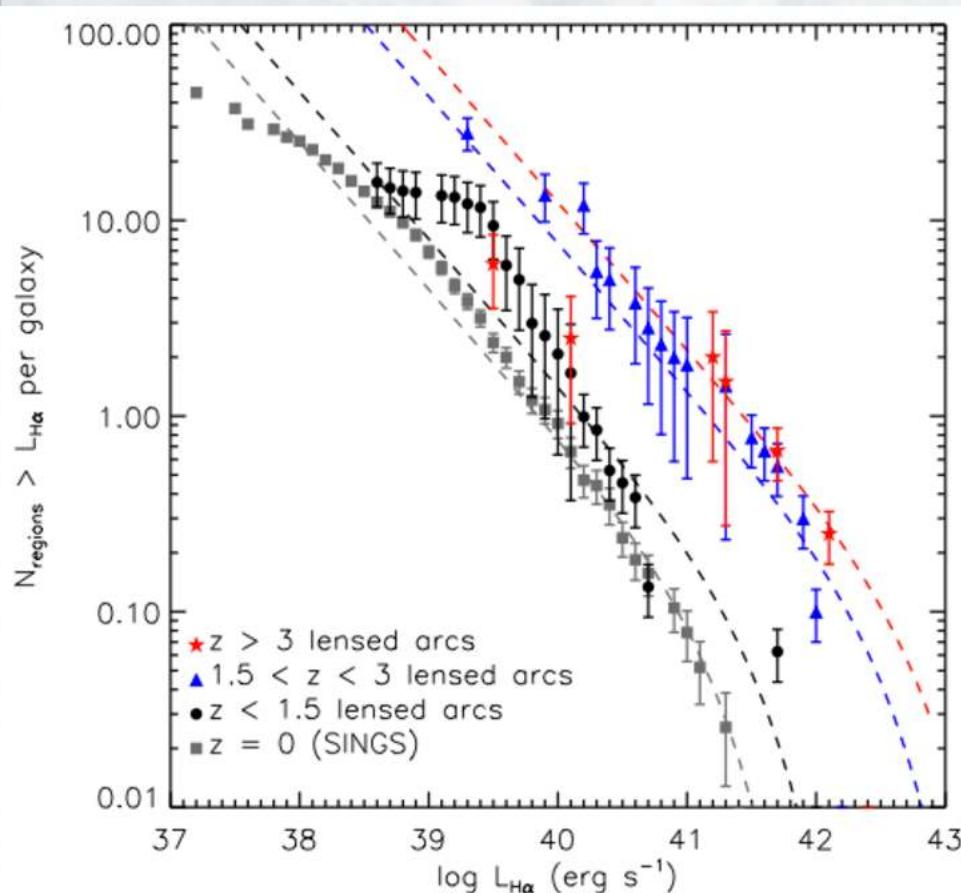
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Relating the SF clumps to the underlying disk

For marginally disk ($Q=1$) of finite thickness, density structures on scales $>h$ will be stabilised by rotation, leading to exponential cut off in clump mass function with

$$M_0 \sim 8.6 \times 10^3 \left(\frac{\Sigma_{\text{disk}}}{10 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}} \right)^3 \times \left(\frac{\kappa}{100 \text{km/s/kpc}} \right)^{-4}$$



Hopkins et al. 2012 MN 423 2016

Livermore et al. 2015 MN 450 1812

Livermore et al. 2012 MN 427 688

Summary

- 1) Can we learn about the dominant mode of mass assembly of high-z galaxies from their dynamics?
e.g. How does the angular moment of gas disks evolve with time?
How is the evolution of angular momentum related to the formation of the Hubble sequence?
- 2) What are the physical properties (size/luminosity/ σ) of star-forming regions in high-z galaxies?
How do global dynamics and gas properties of the ISM effect the size, luminosity, velocity dispersion of star-forming (HII) regions?
- 3) What are the energetics of starburst driven feedback?
e.g. How does the mass loading of winds depend on the mass and SFR at high-z?
How do winds on large scales relate to those on small scales (the “launch sites”)?