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Normal and active galaxies and their cosmological evolution

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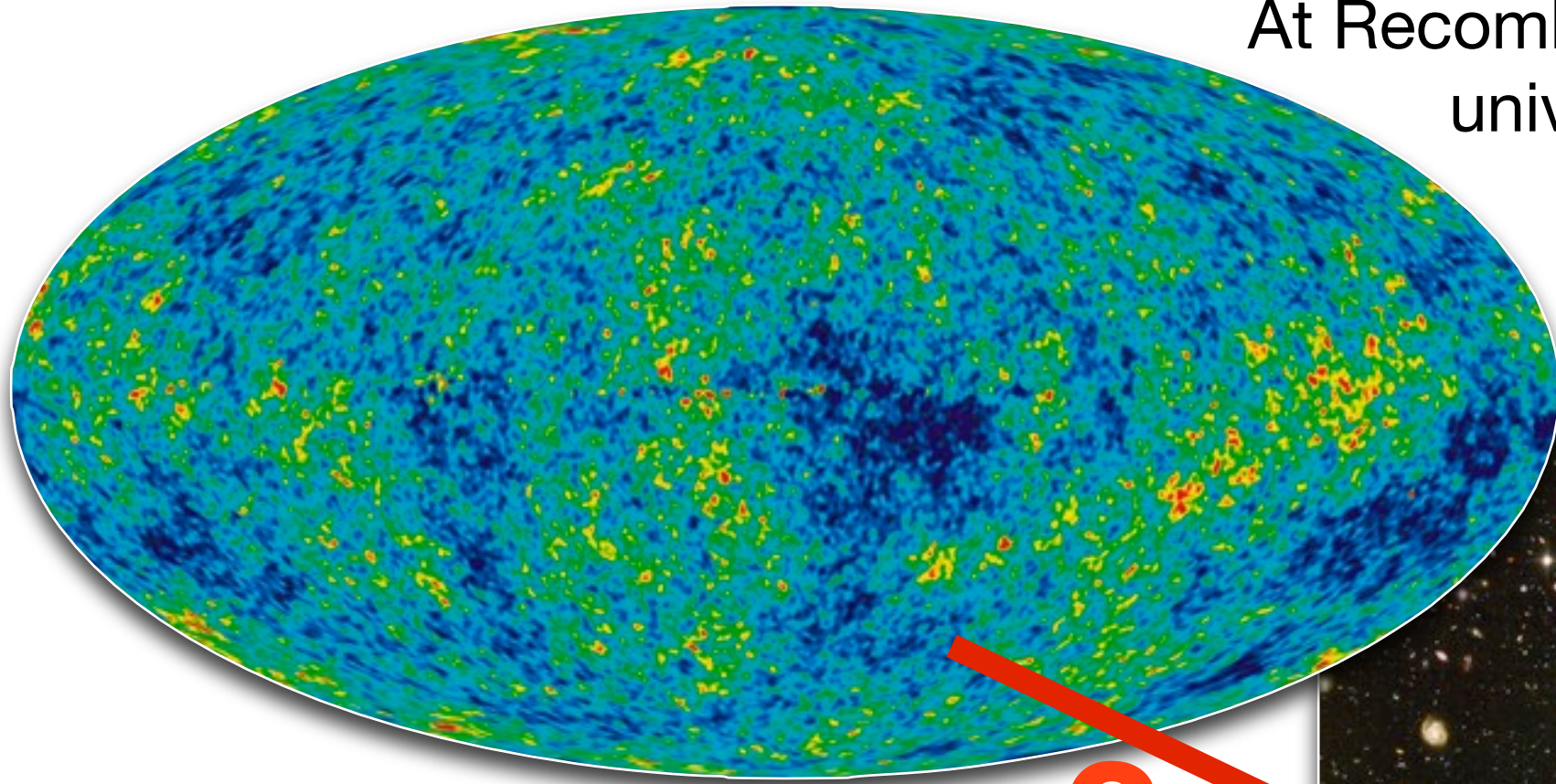
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From CMB to present-day structures

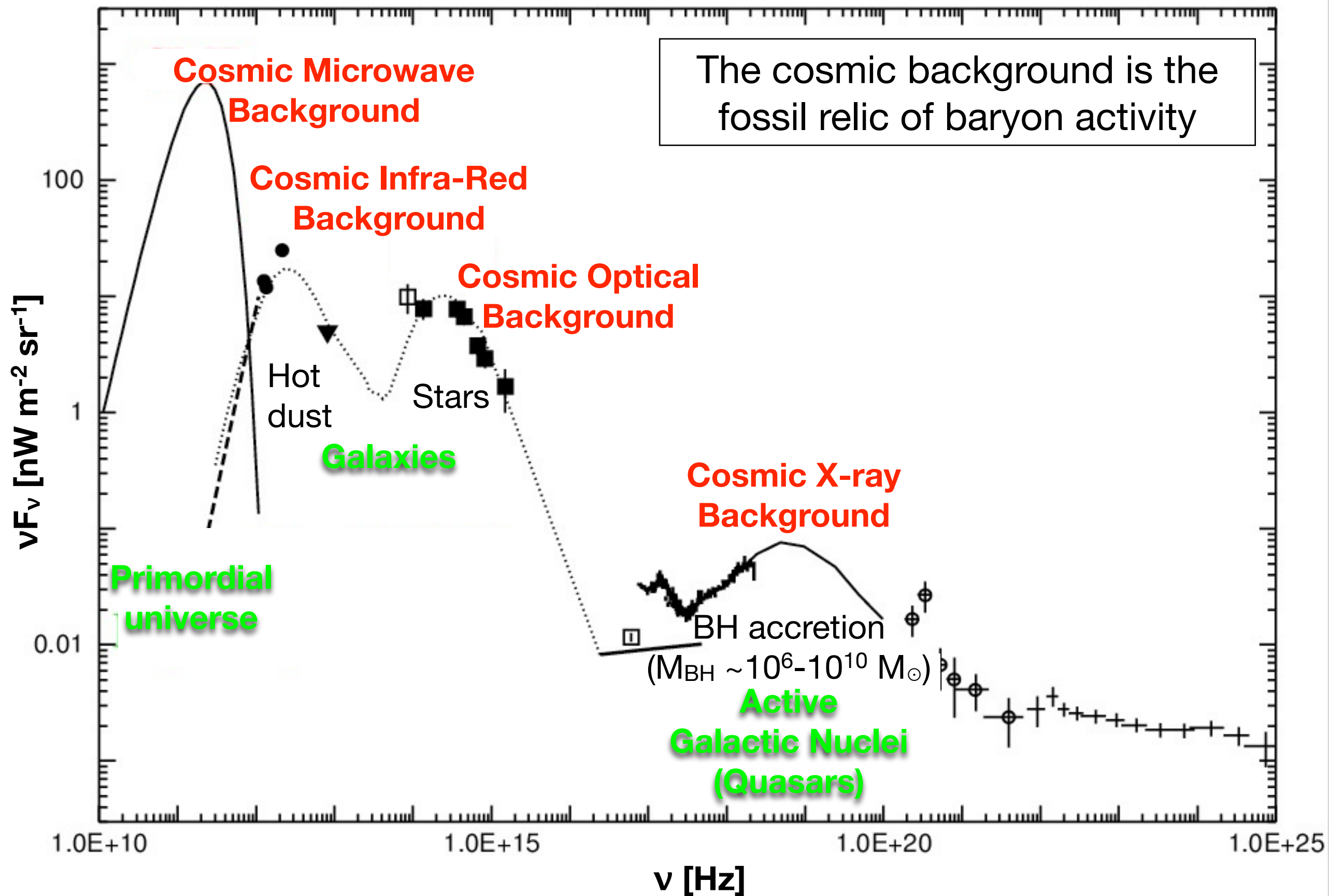
At Recombination ($t \sim 1$ Myr, $z \sim 1100$):
universe is homogeneous and
isotropic ($\Delta\rho/\rho \sim 10^{-3}$)



?

Now ($t \sim 13.5$ Gyr, $z \sim 0$): universe is
still homogeneous and isotropic
on large scales ($L > 100$ Mpc) but
many structures have formed at
smaller scales (galaxies, clusters
of galaxies, super-clusters).





Time since the
Big Bang

$z \sim 1000$
380,000 yr

$z \sim 30-20$
100-200 Myr

$z \sim 7-6$
1 Gyr

$z = 0$
13.6 Gyr



← **Big Bang**
universe is filled with hot plasma

← **Recombination**
universe becomes neutral
Dark ages start

↑ small density fluctuations grow
by gravitational amplification
↓

← **Formation of first stars and
quasars begins re-ionization**

↑ mini-halos $10^6 M_{\odot}$ at $z \approx 20$

↑ proto-galaxies $10^8 M_{\odot}$ at $z \approx 10$

↓ QSOs $10^{12}-10^{13} M_{\odot}$ at $z \approx 6 - 7$

← **Reionization is complete**
Dark ages end

↑ Galaxies evolve and are
observable
↓

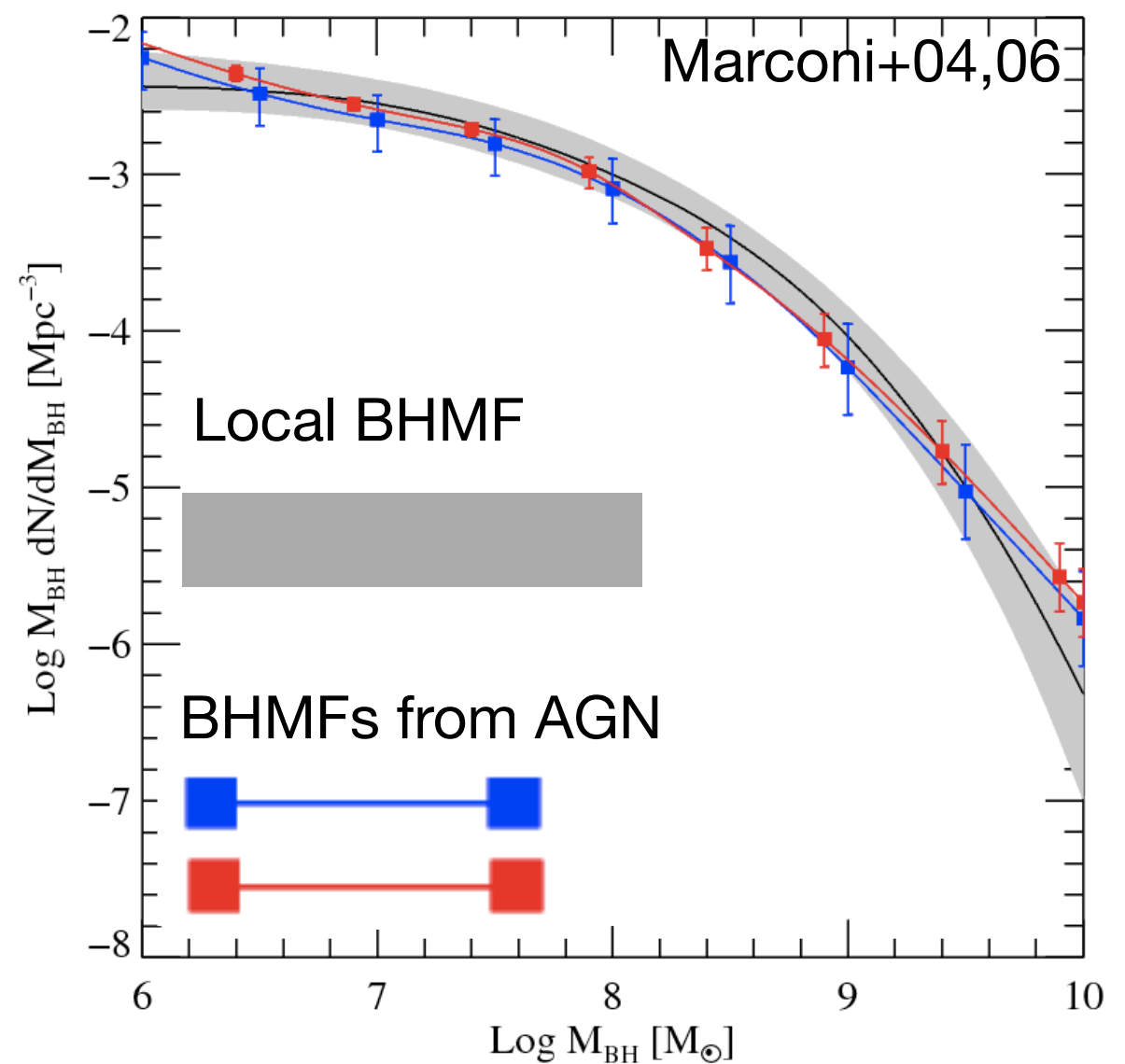
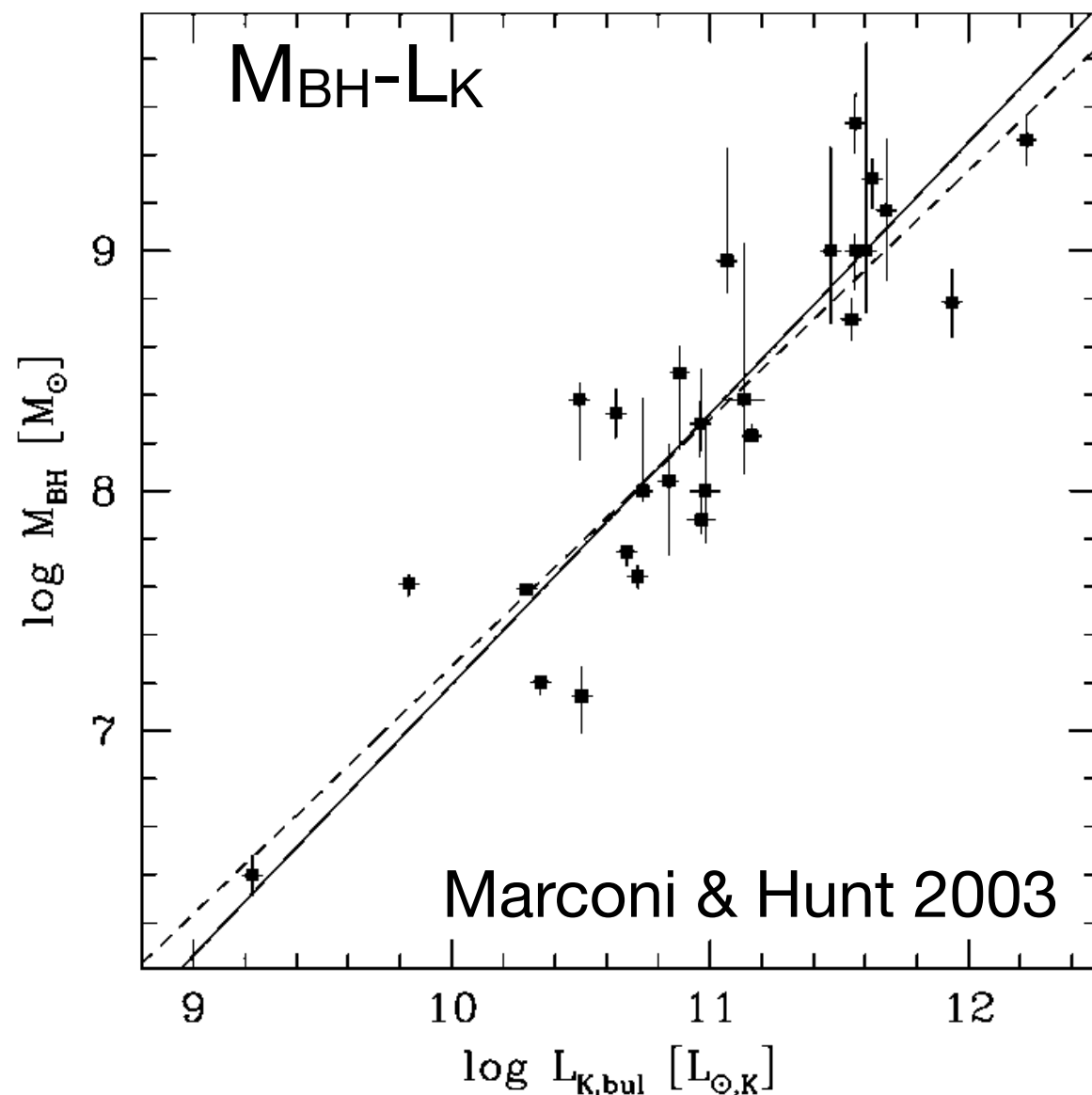
← **Present-day Universe**

Hierarchical galaxy formation

- ★ Λ CDM with $\Omega_M=0.3$ ($\Omega_b=0.04$), $\Omega_\Lambda=0.7$:
@recombination dark matter is in small ‘seeds’;
seeds collapse to form small halos;
small halos merge to form larger structures.
- ★ after recombination gas cools in DM halos and forms protogalaxies (disks $\rightarrow$ spiral galaxies);
- ★ in DM halos protogalaxies merge to form larger galaxies (merging of disk galaxies $\rightarrow$ ellipticals);
- ★ merging/interactions trigger strong star form.;
 $\rightarrow$ observable, enrich gas with metals
- ★ massive BHs in galaxy nuclei grow giving rise to AGN activity $\rightarrow$ observable
- ★ when BH is massive enough ($\sim 10^7$ - $10^8 M_\odot$),
feedback from BH accretion sweeps away gas
galaxy stopping BH growth and star formation
 $\rightarrow$ avoid too many luminous galaxies locally
 $\rightarrow$ BH-galaxy coevolution



Co-evolution BH-galaxies

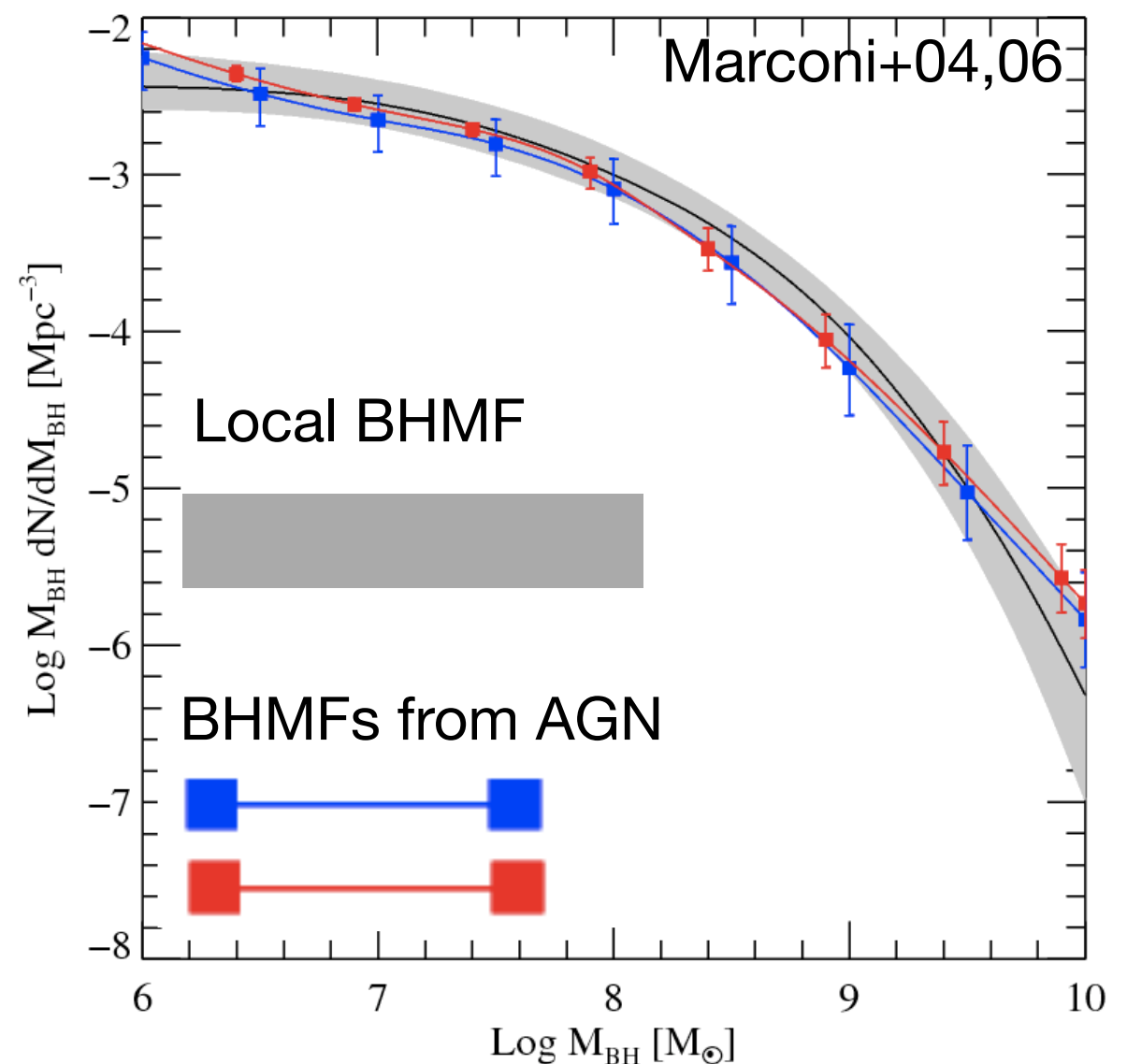
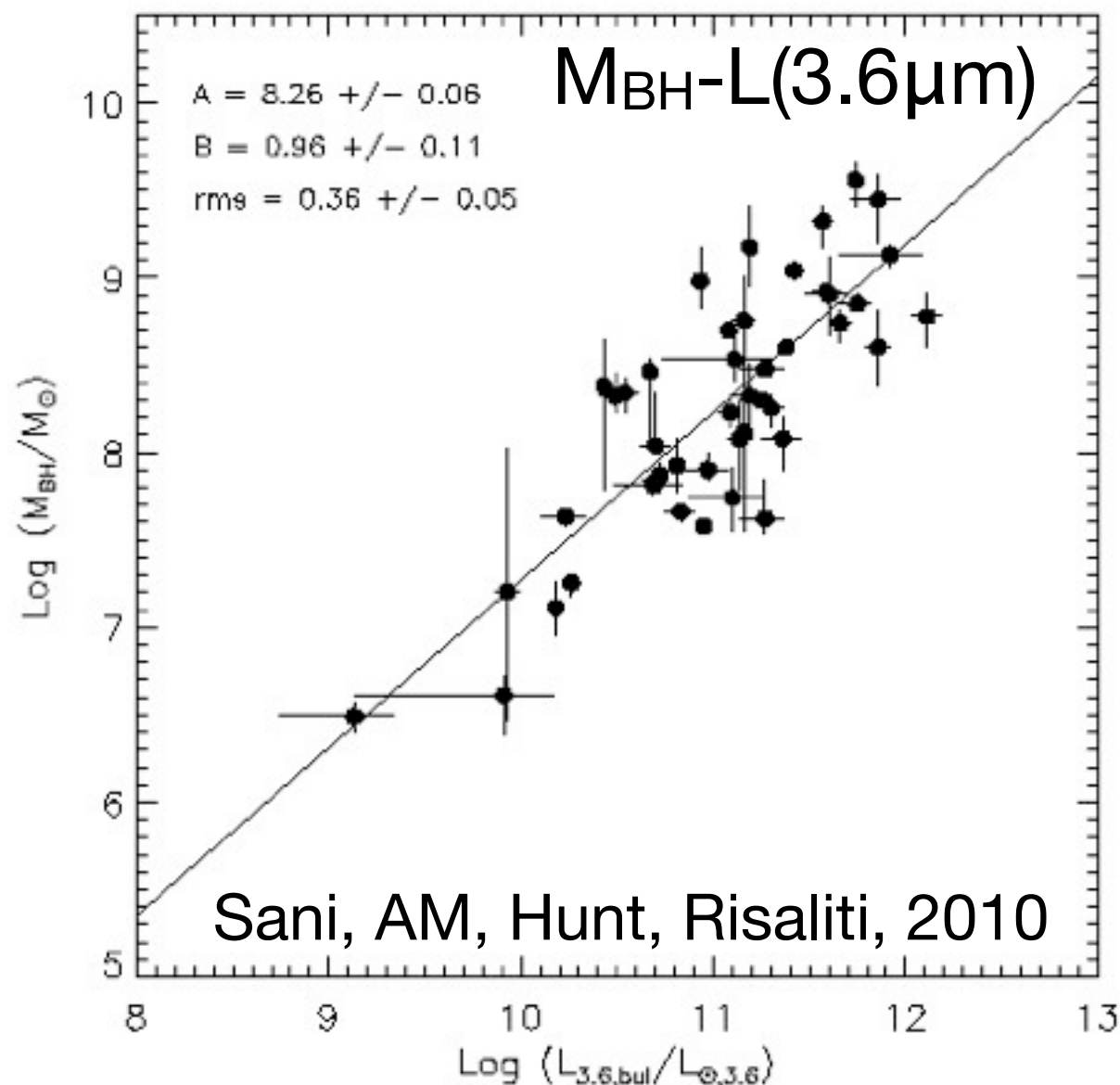


Tight link between BH growth and galaxy evolution.

M_{BH} growth from accretion, $\sim M_{\text{BH}} c^2$ is released, larger than galaxy gravitational energy!

AGN feedback on host galaxy: $L = \epsilon (dM/dt) c^2$, radiation pressure expels gas from galaxy $\rightarrow$ stops BH accretion and star formation.

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Observatories

ESO VLT
(3000 Å - 2.5 μm)



HST
(1000 Å - 2.5 μm)



Herschel
(55 -670 μm)



Chandra & XMM-Newton
(0.5-10 keV)



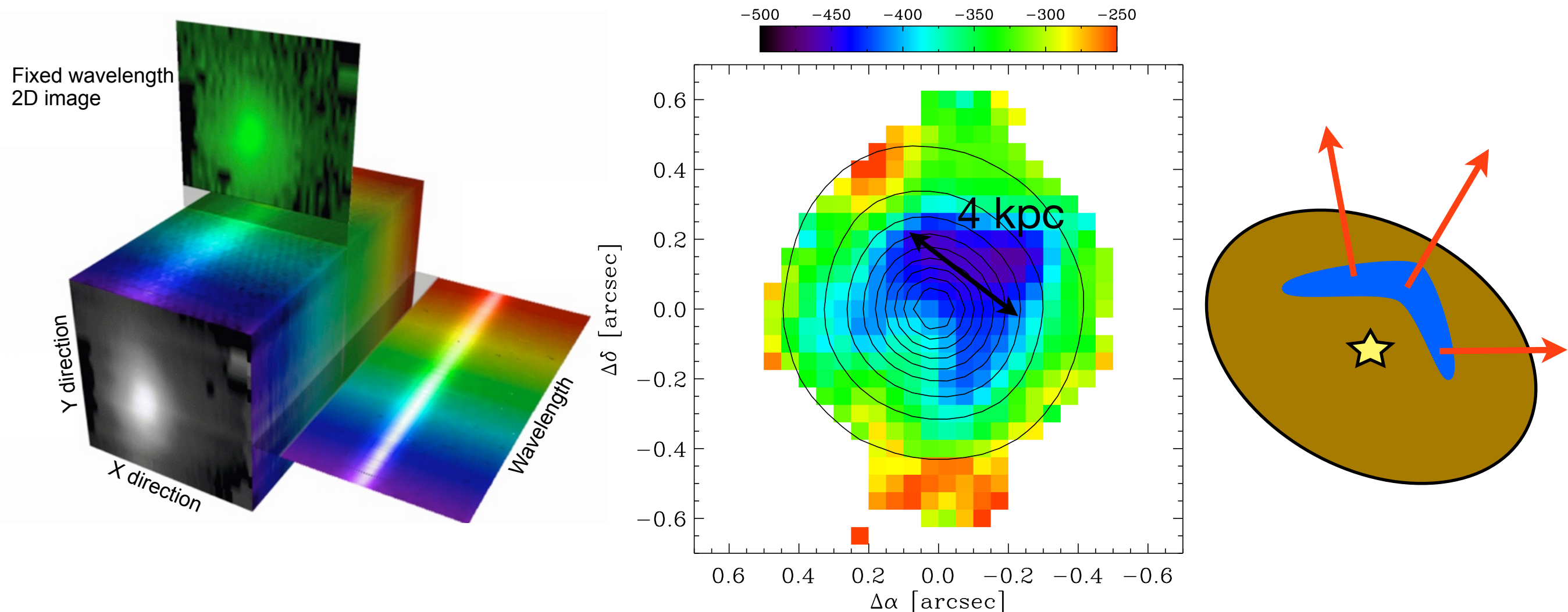
Spitzer
(3 -180 μm)



Feedback from quasar

Quasar at $z=2.4$ (20% age of universe), $L = 2 \times 10^{14} L_{\odot}$

Observed with VLT+SINFONI (IFU operating at 0.9-2.5 μm)



To accelerate gas to ~ 450 km/s over 2 kpc need $L_{\text{kin}} \sim 10^{44}$ erg/s

Typical timescale of activity for quasar ~ 30 Myr implies total $E_{\text{kin}} \sim 10^{59}$ erg

E_{grav} of galaxy with $10^{11} M_{\odot}$, $R_e \sim 4$ kpc is similar

→ FIRST EVIDENCE FOR VERY ENERGETIC FEEDBACK ON HOST GALAXY!

Marconi et al. 2010, in prep.

Highlight: chemical fund. relation

H and He cosmological origin, other elements are created by stars.

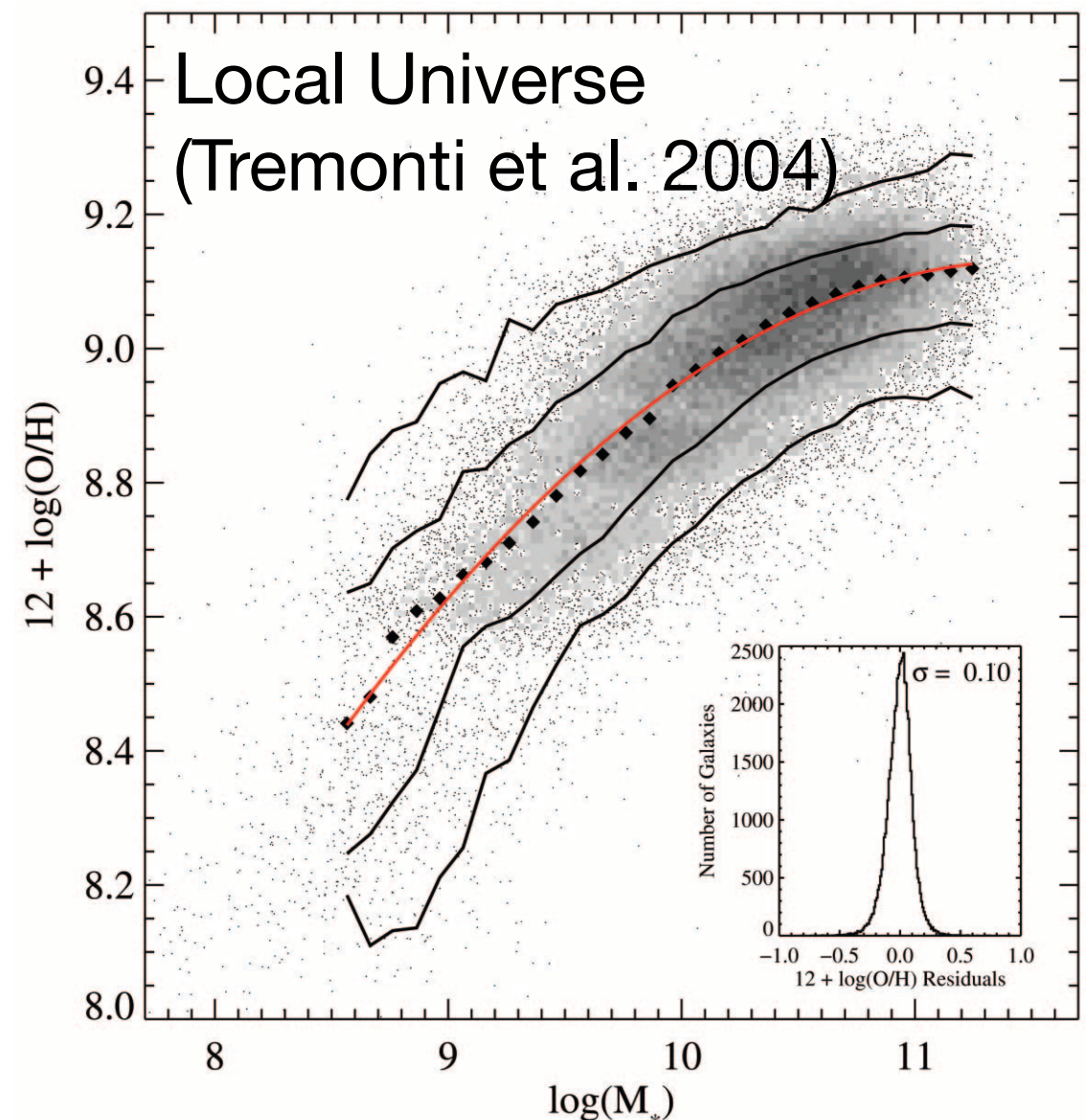
Stars form from pristine gas accreted from outside.

Stellar winds and supernova explosion disperse these elements (“metals”) inside and outside the galaxies.

Abundances of the elements reveal the history of galaxies in terms of star formation, SN explosion, infall and outflow of gas.

Mass-metallicity relation:

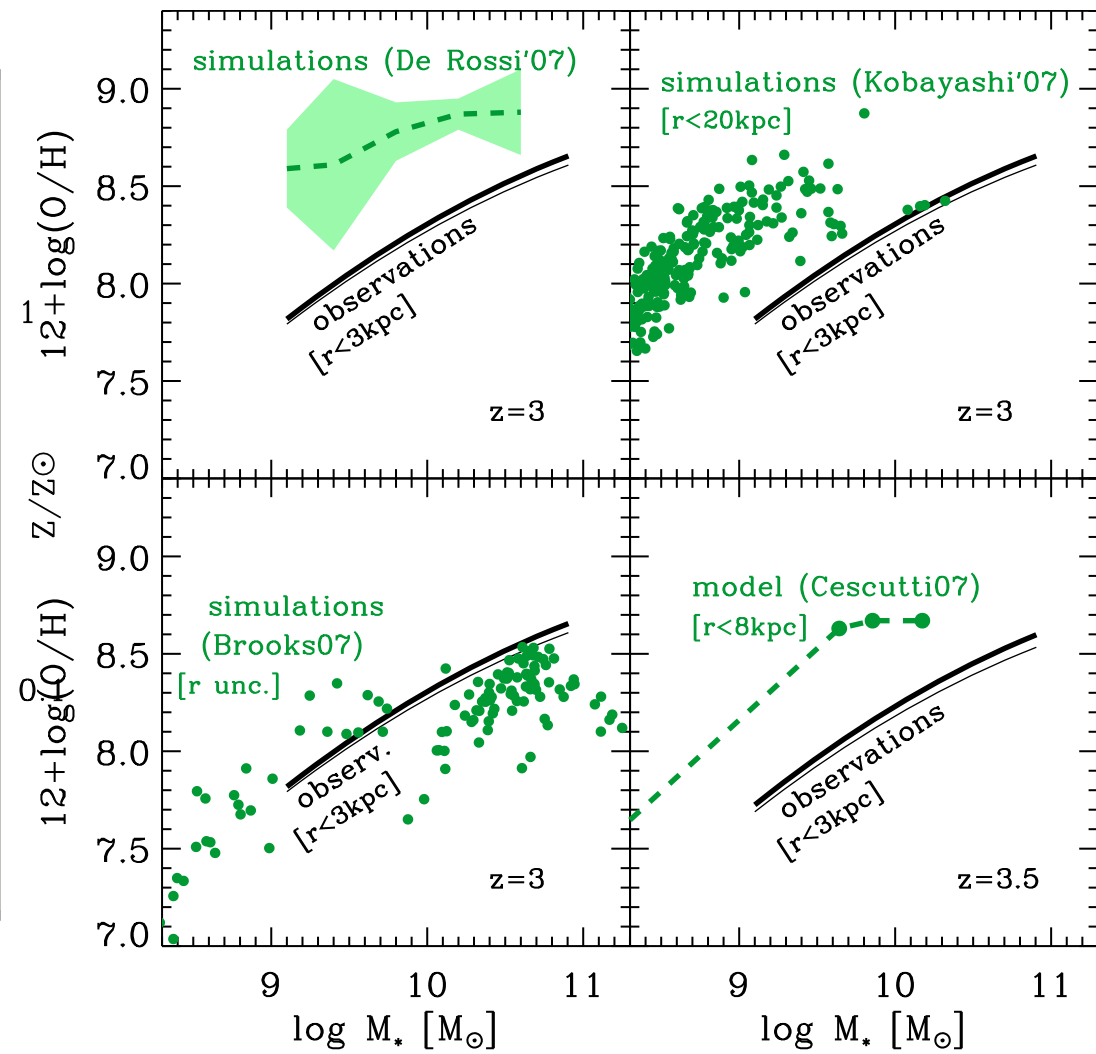
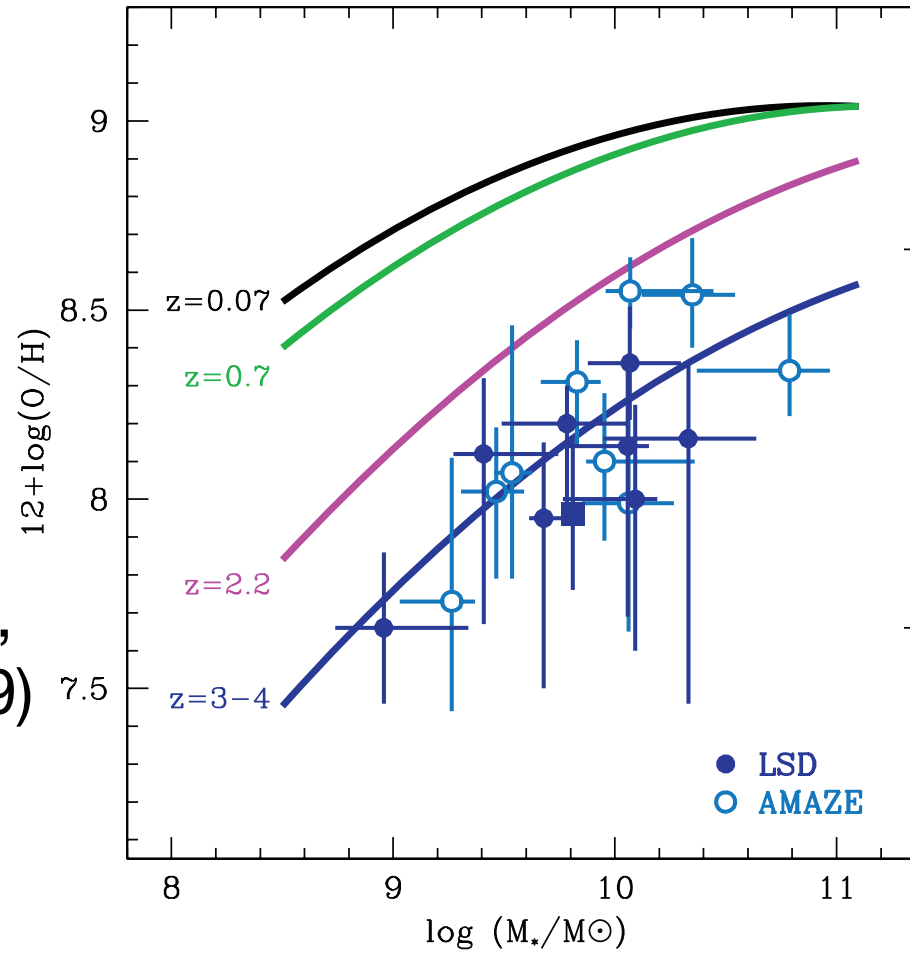
tight relation between stellar mass and chemical abundance: more massive galaxies are also more “metal” rich ($\sigma=0.10$ dex)



Mass-Metallicity relation at $z \sim 3$

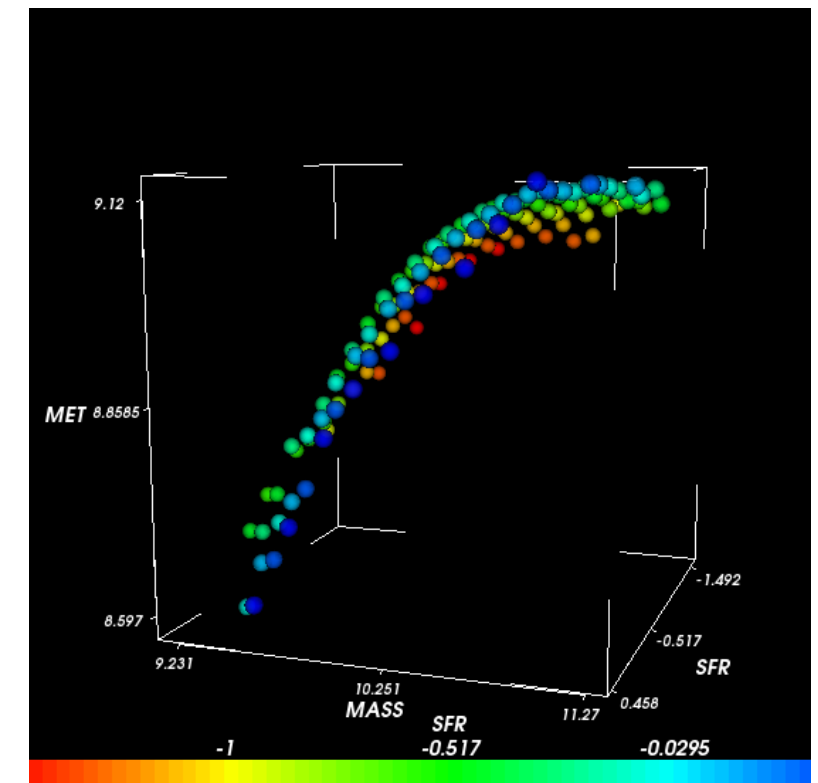
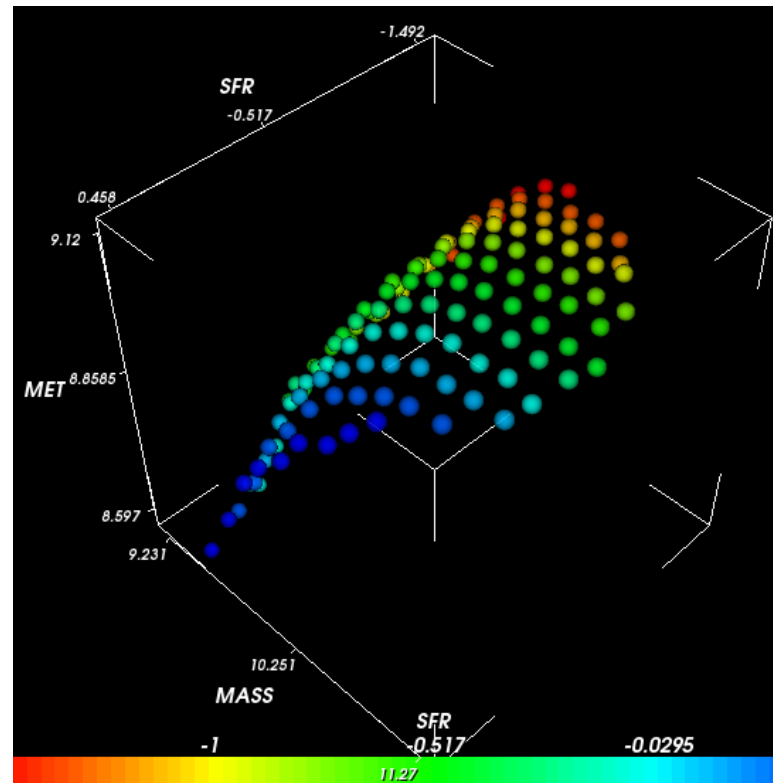
strong z evolution;
tight constraints on
models.

(Maiolino et al. 2008,
Mannucci et al. 2009)



Fundamental chemical surface

Abundances depend on
mass and star formation
rate, $\sigma=0.04$ dex
(Mannucci et al. 2010)



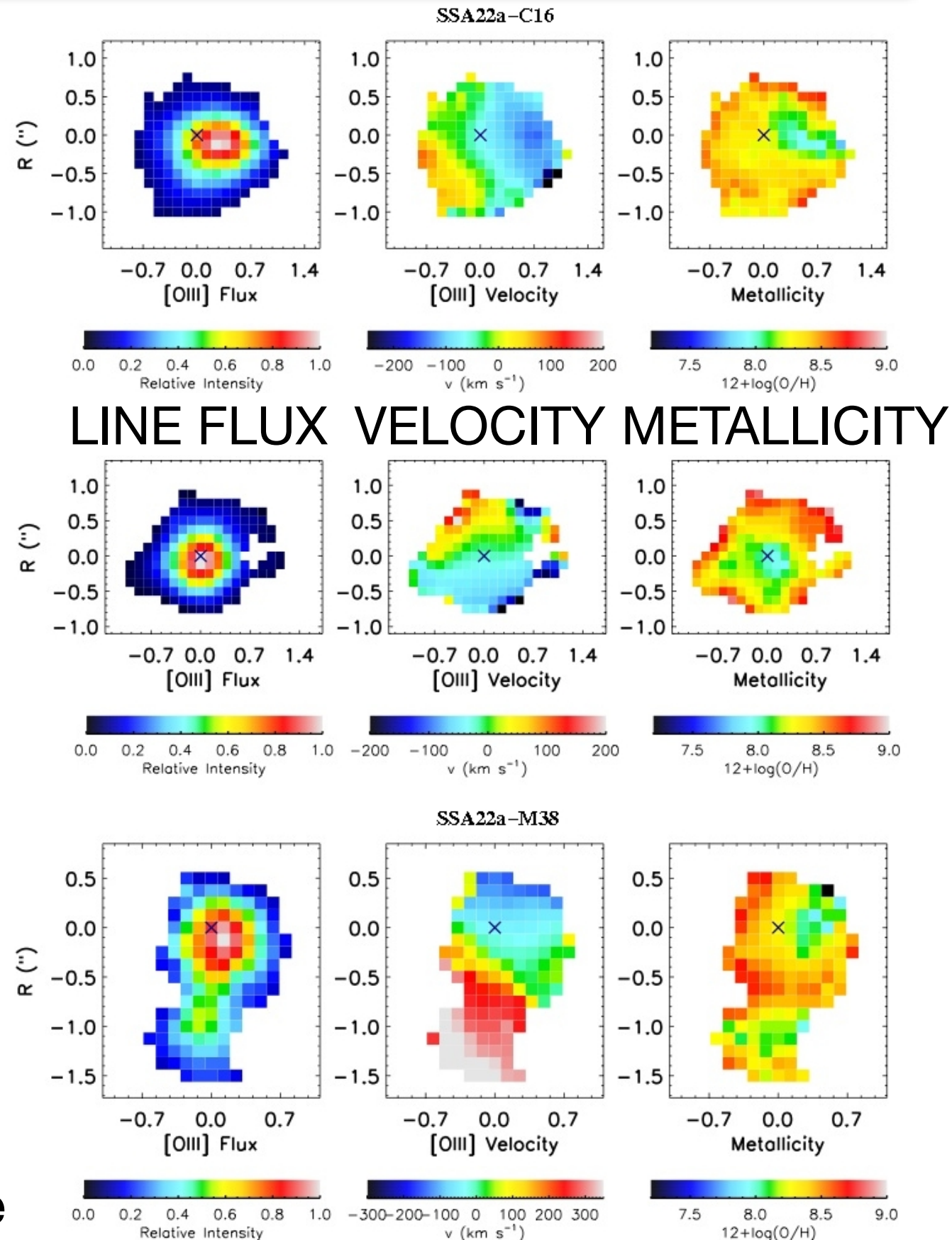
Metallicity gradients at high redshift

Current understanding: strong star formation triggered by merging events
But many galaxies with high star formation rates have rotating disks, not consistent with merging!

Three galaxies at $z \sim 3$ which show ordered rotation associated to strong SF.

VLT+SINFONI observations:
metallicity gradients $\rightarrow$ strong star formation in central metal poor regions (gradients in opposite direction as expected) $\rightarrow$ accretion of pristine gas from halo is fueling star formation!

Cresci et al., 2010, submitted to Nature



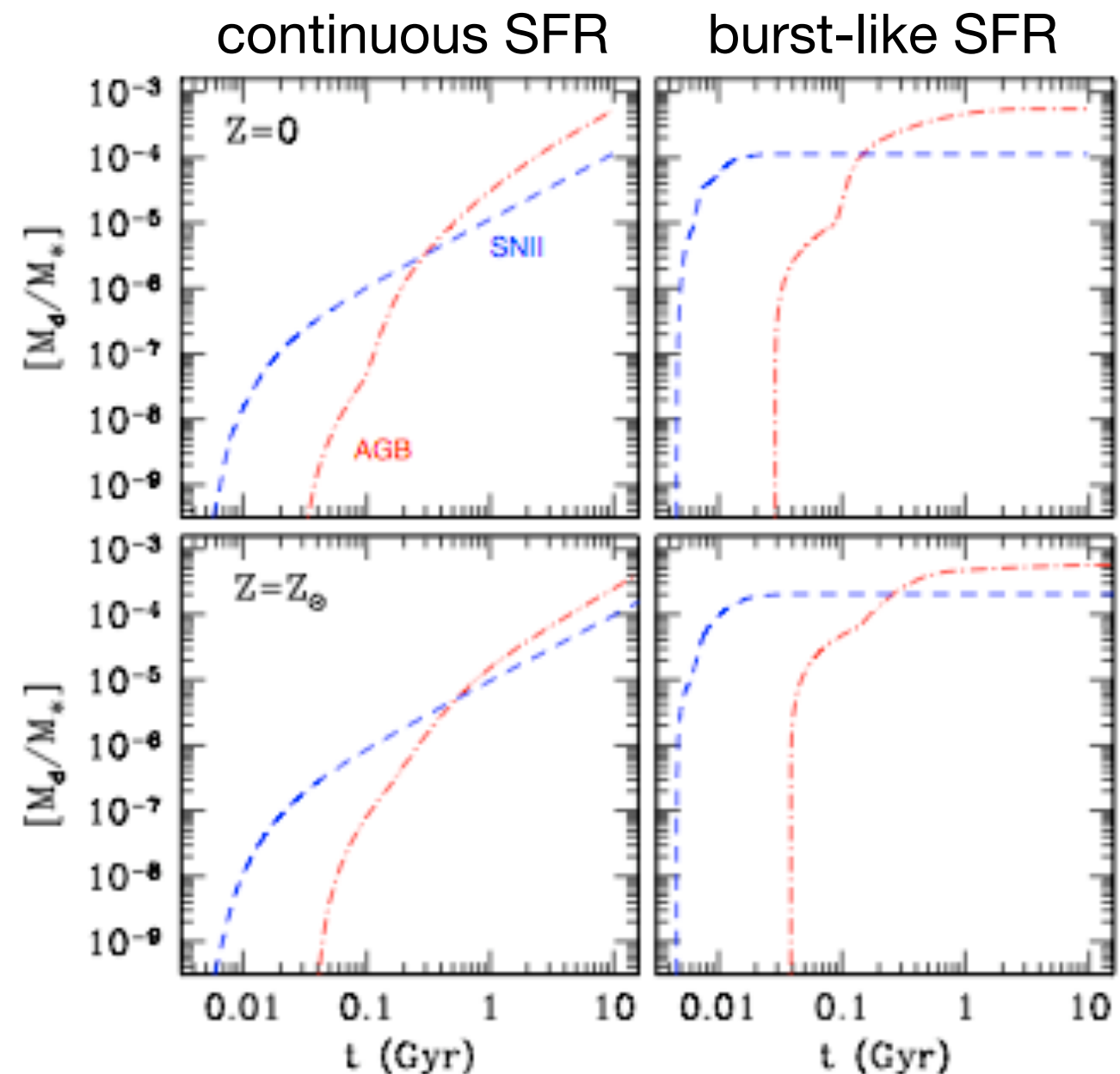
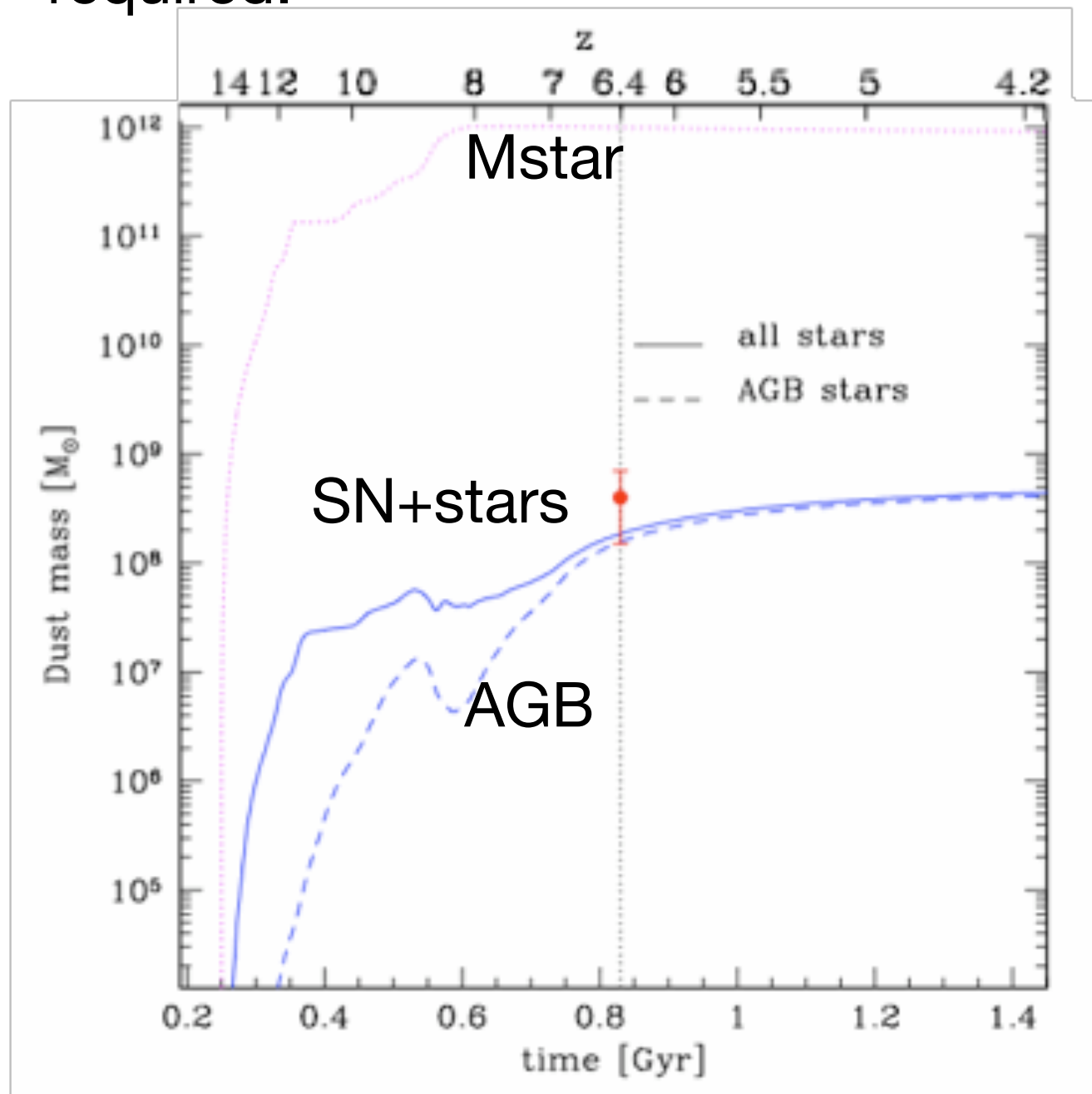
Highlight: dust at very high redshift

Quasar @ $z=6.4$ ($t \sim 850$ Myr): $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 5 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$, large amount of dust.

Little time to grow BH, NO time to produce dust (AGB need ~ 1 Gyr).

Evidence for dust produced in supernova shocks (Maiolino+2004, Nature).

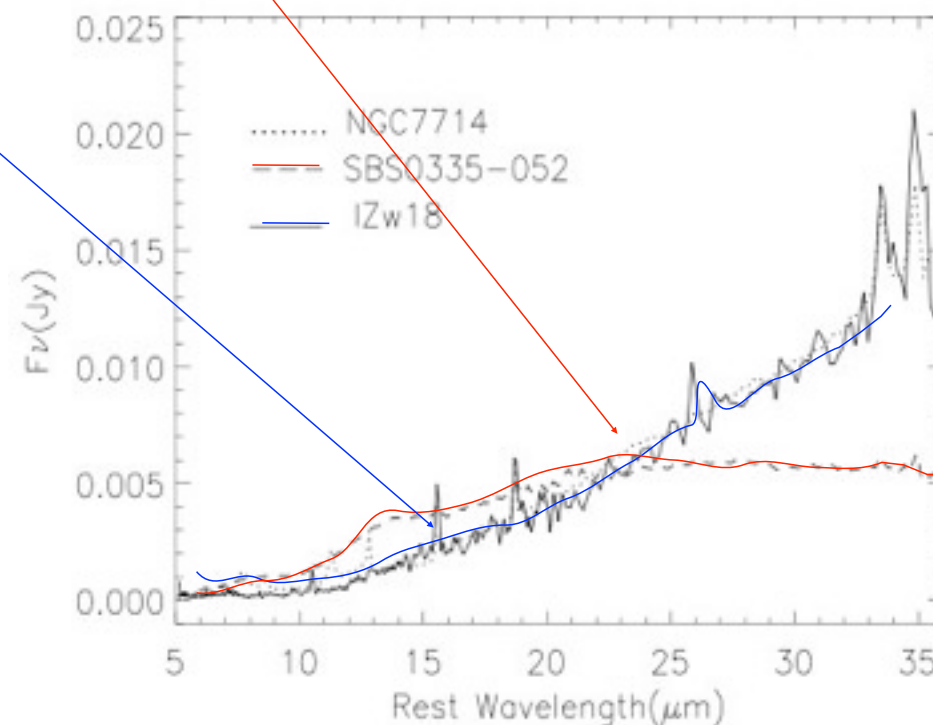
Theoretical computations show that the contribution of both SN and AGB is required.



Valiante, Schneider, Bianchi, Andersen 2010

Dust in dwarf galaxies

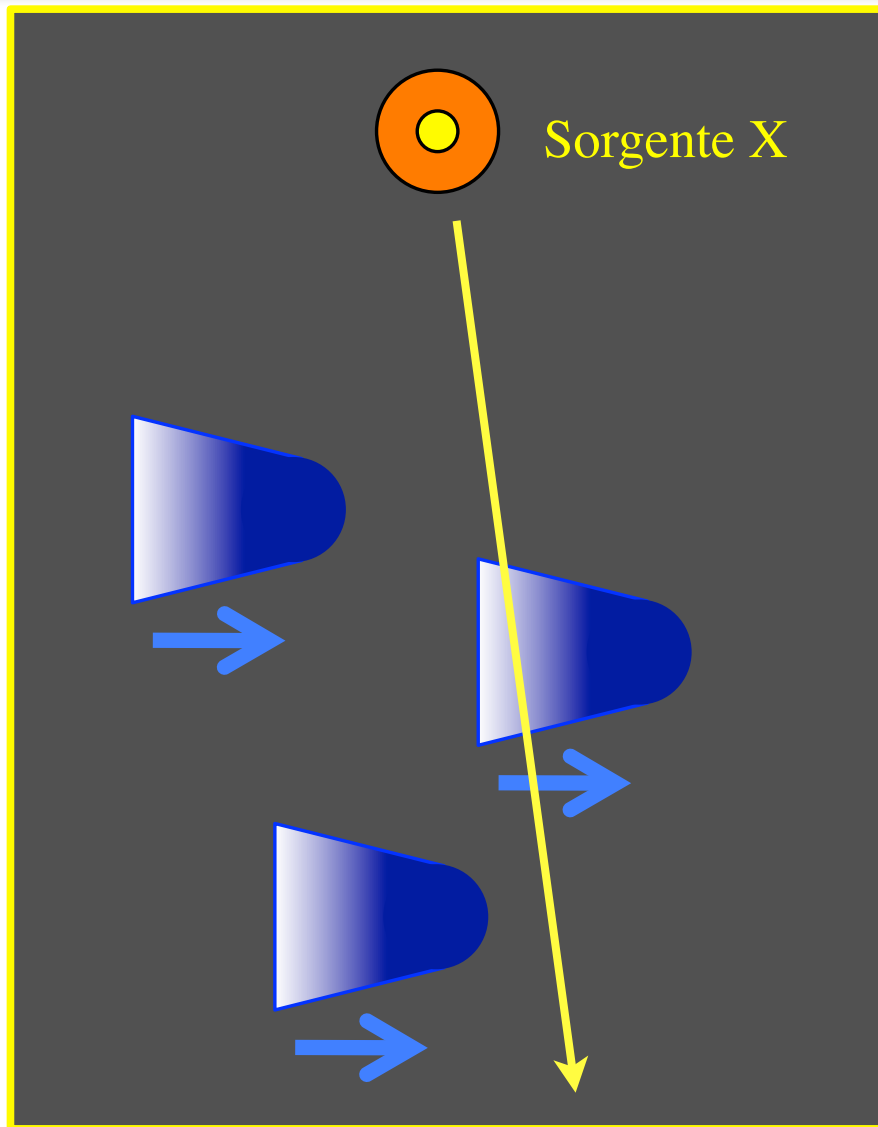
*In the hierarchical scenario, dwarf galaxies are building blocks of larger galaxies.
Local low-Z dwarfs are analogues of high redshift protogalaxies.
Despite their low metallicity (which means they are chemically unevolved, similar to primordial systems), most dwarfs contain a significant amount of dust!*



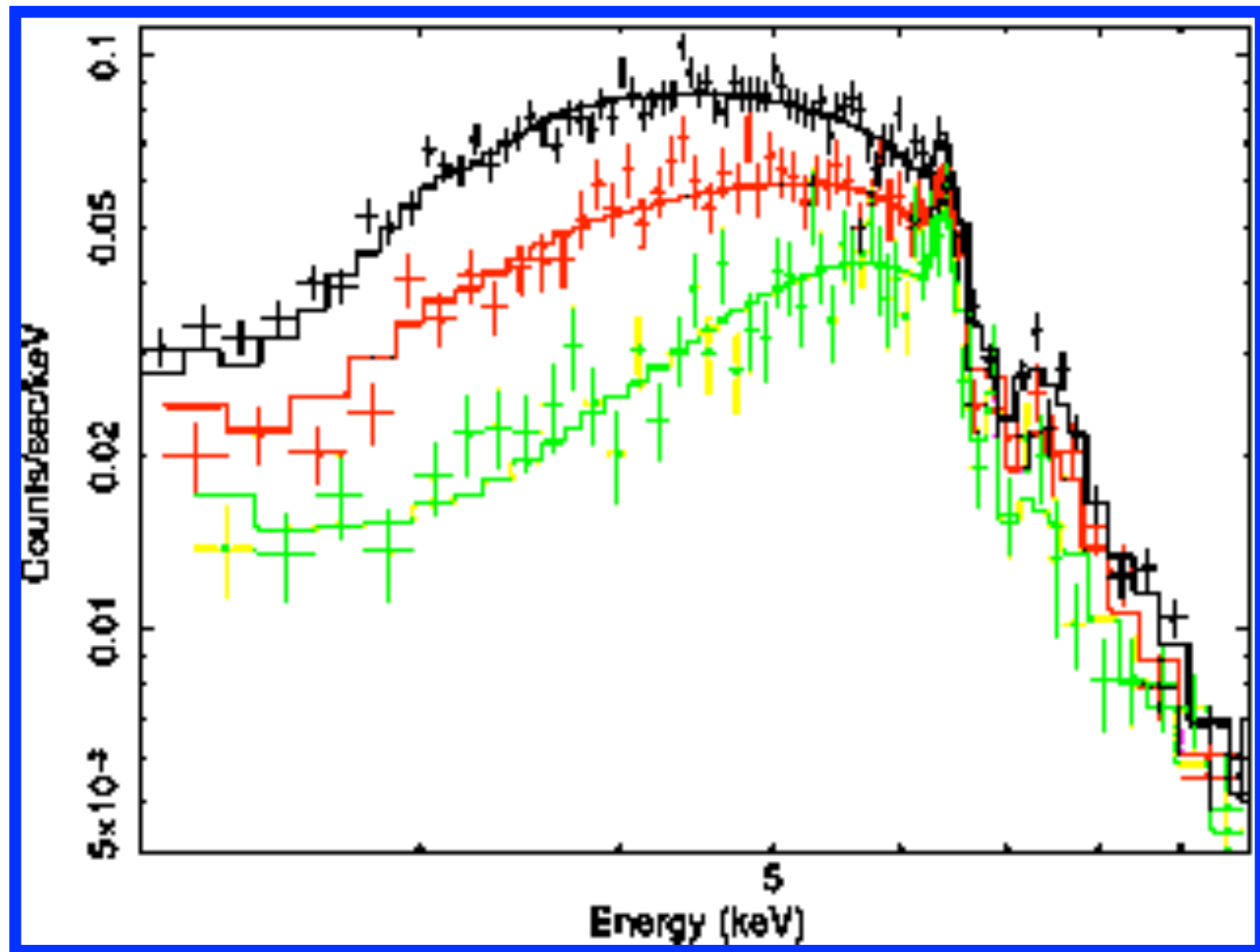
Spitzer spectrum of the two most metal-poor dwarf galaxies in the Local Universe

Hunt et al. 2009

Eclipses of X-ray source in AGN



Can estimate:
source dimensions
(consistent with
expectations from models)
Structure/distance of clouds
from BH (cometary tails ..)

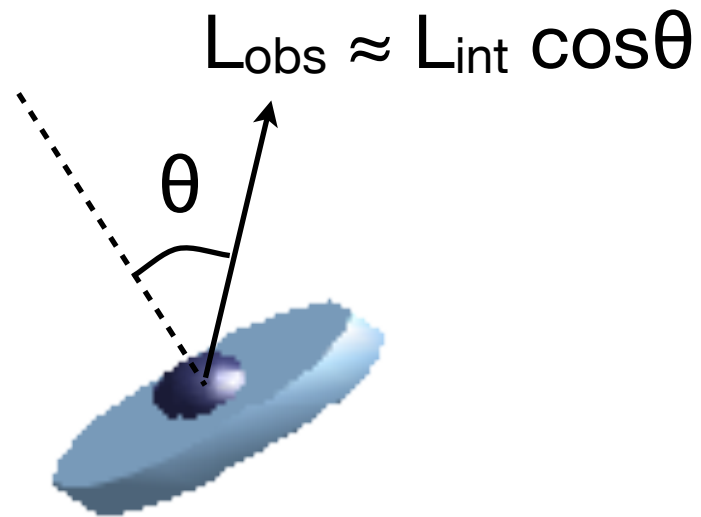


Spectral variations during eclipse due to
absorption (time scale of variation $\sim$ days)

Emission from accretion disks

AGN continuum emission from the inner parts of a thin, optically thick accretion disk $\rightarrow L_{\text{obs}} \approx L_{\text{int}} \cos\theta$

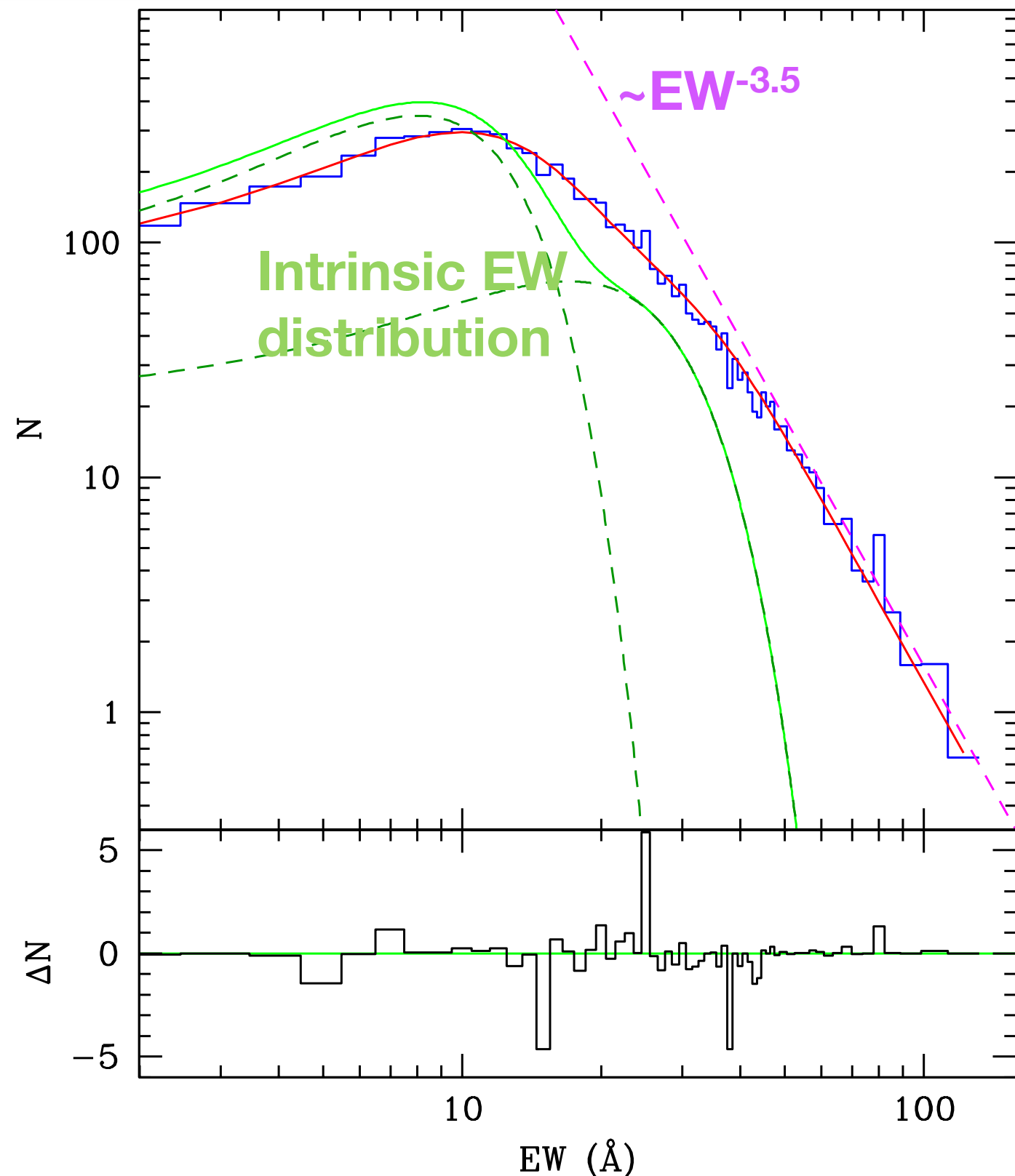
NO
evidence
so far!



Observations of ~ 6000 quasars ($z \sim 0.4-0.8$) from SDSS survey, measure

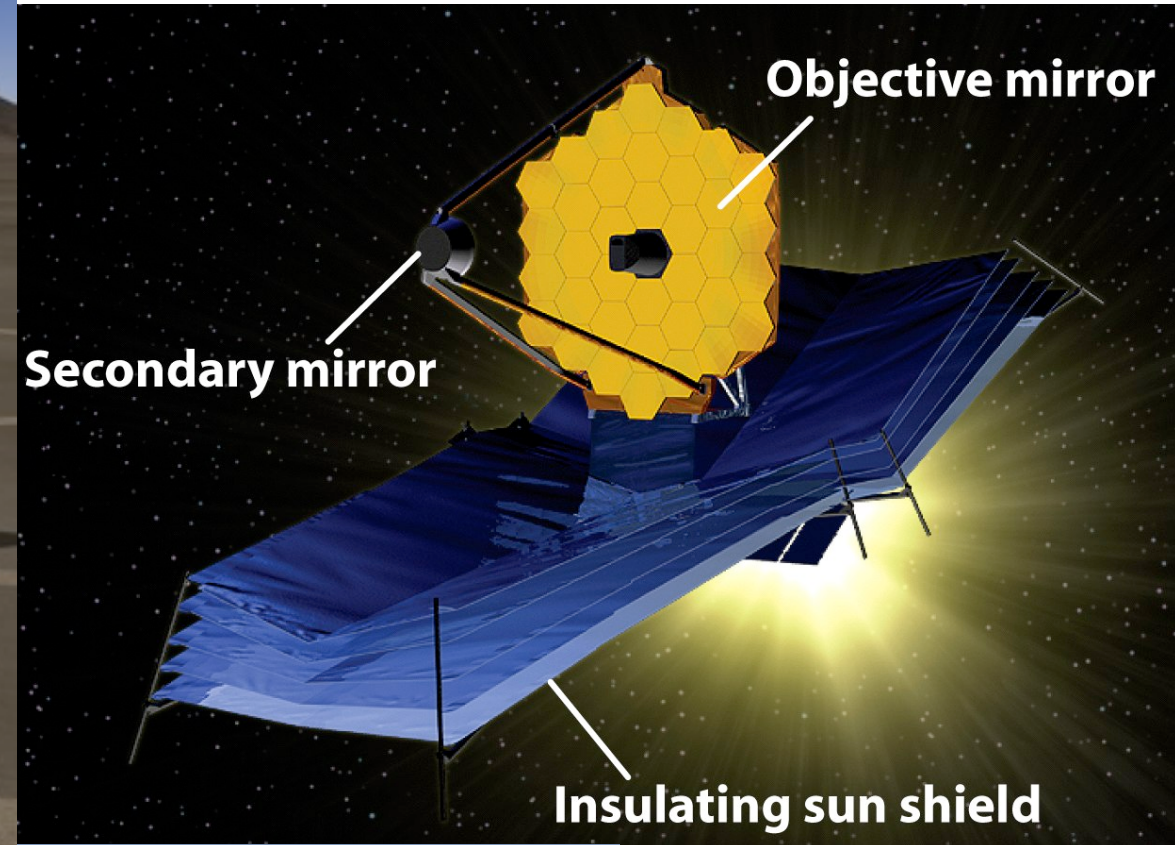
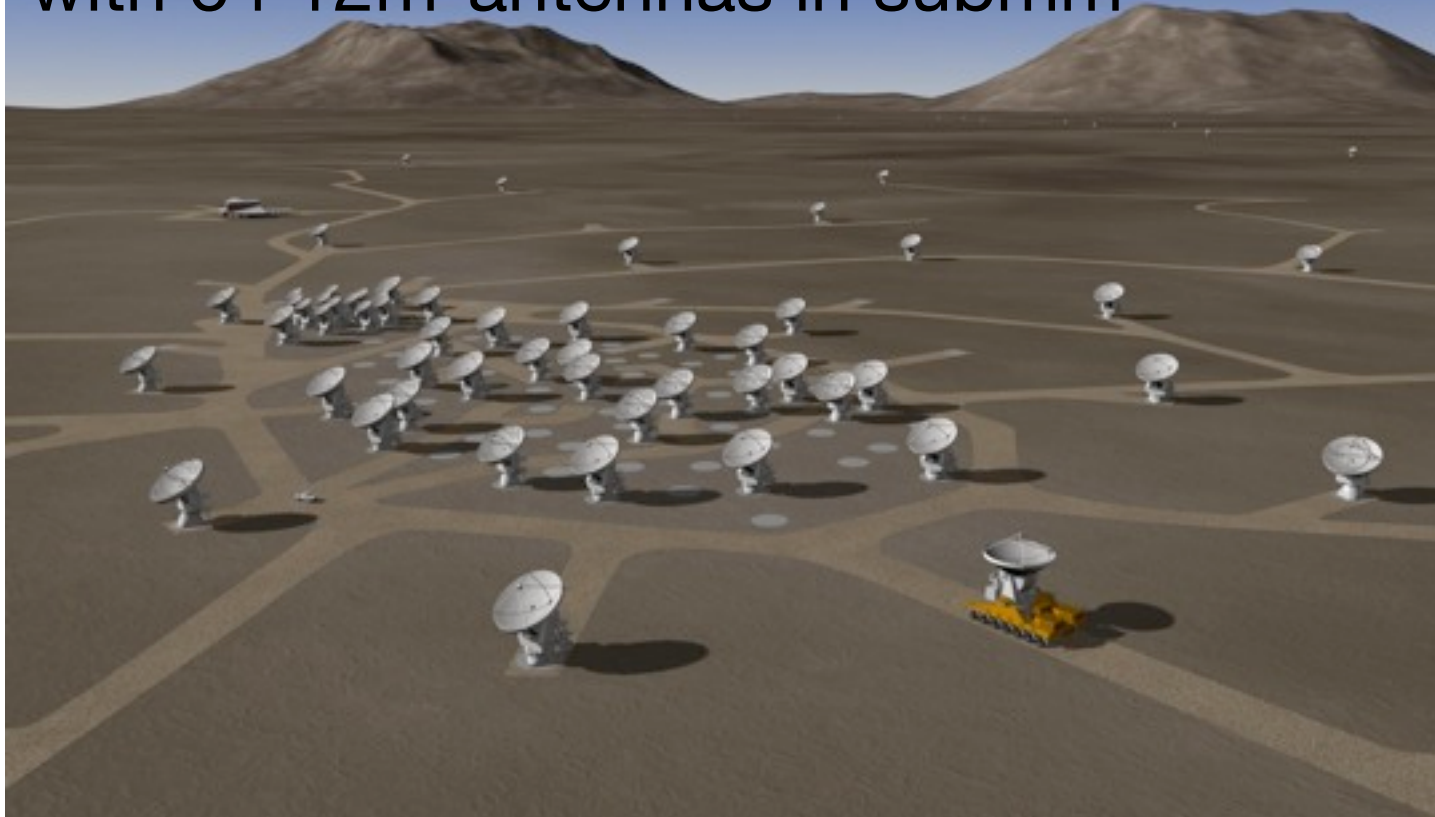
$W = L([\text{OIII}]5007) / \lambda L_{\lambda}(5100\text{\AA})$
(line equivalent width).

Distributions shows high W tail as expected from $L_{\text{obs}} \approx L_{\text{int}} \cos\theta$ behaviour (after taking into account selection effects).

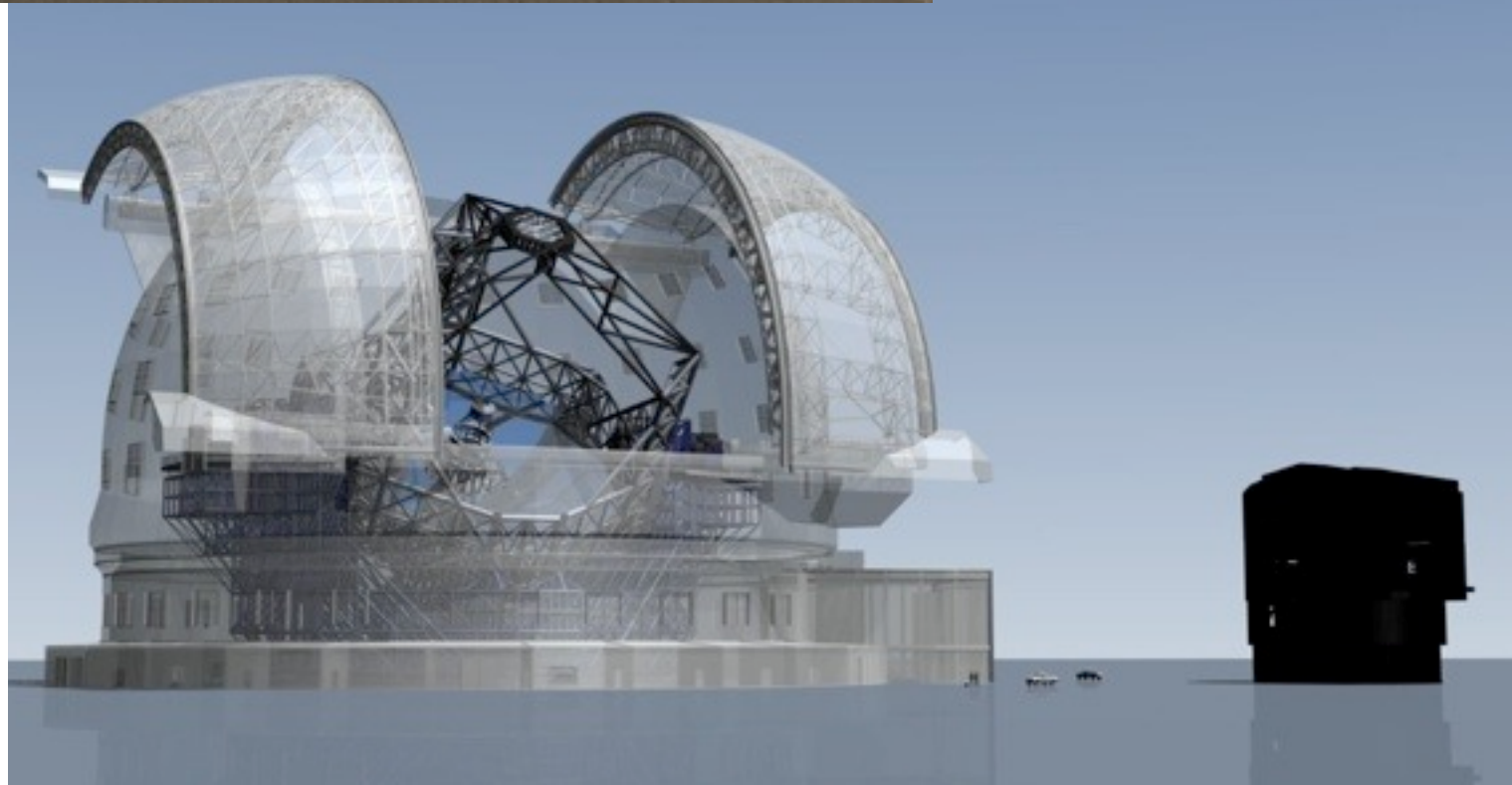


Future

ALMA (~1 G€, starts 2011) interferometer with 64 12m-antennas in submm



E-ELT (~1 G€, starts 2017?)
45m optical-infrared telescope



JWST (~4 G€, starts 2014)
6m near-IR telescope

Fondi (2007-2009)

	DIPARTIMENTO	OSSERVATORIO
PRIN-MIUR	40 k€	
PRIN-INAF	16 k€	46 k€
ASI	50 k€	90 k€
UNIFI 60%	9 k€	

purtroppo quasi del tutto esauriti ...

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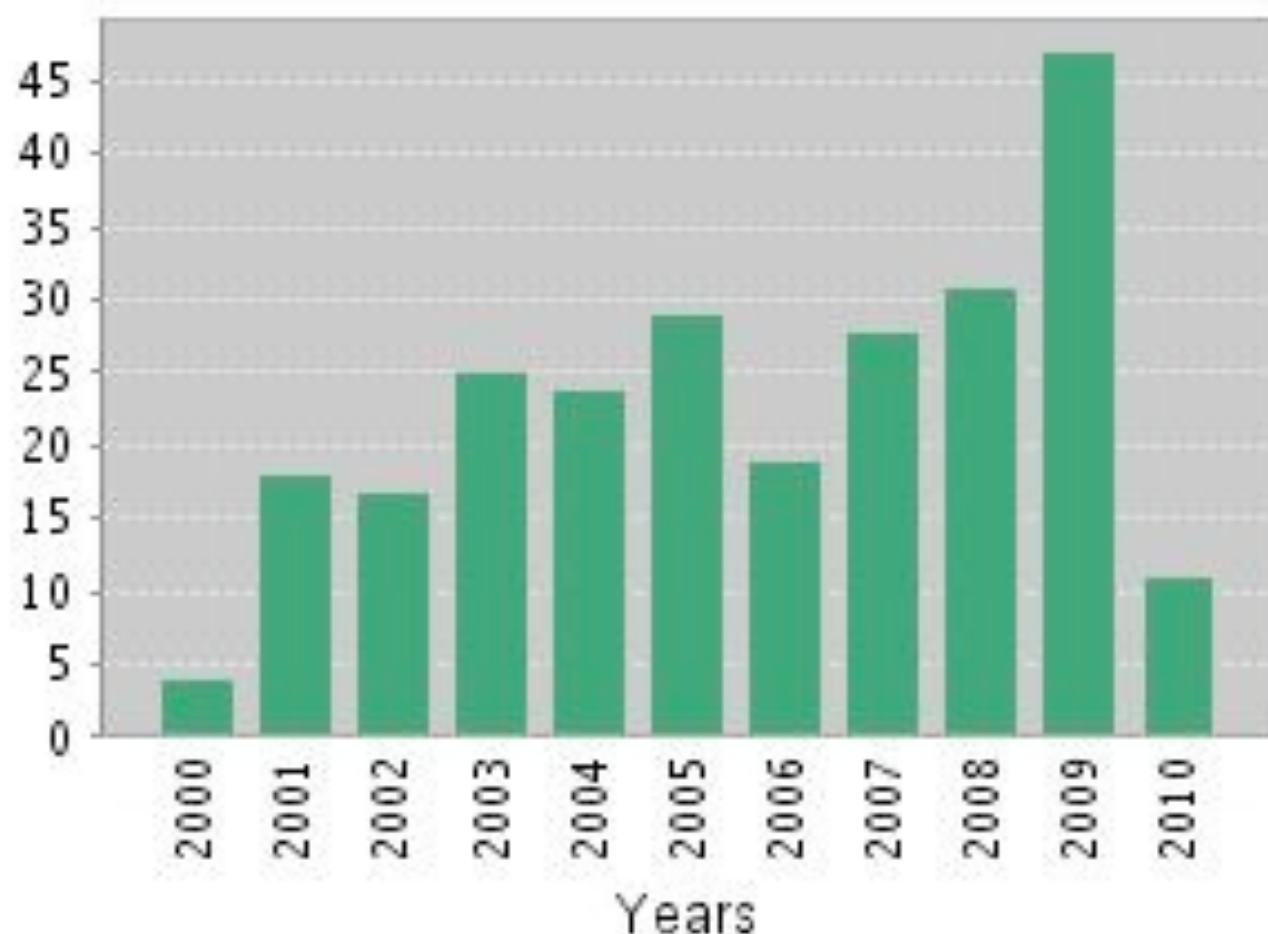
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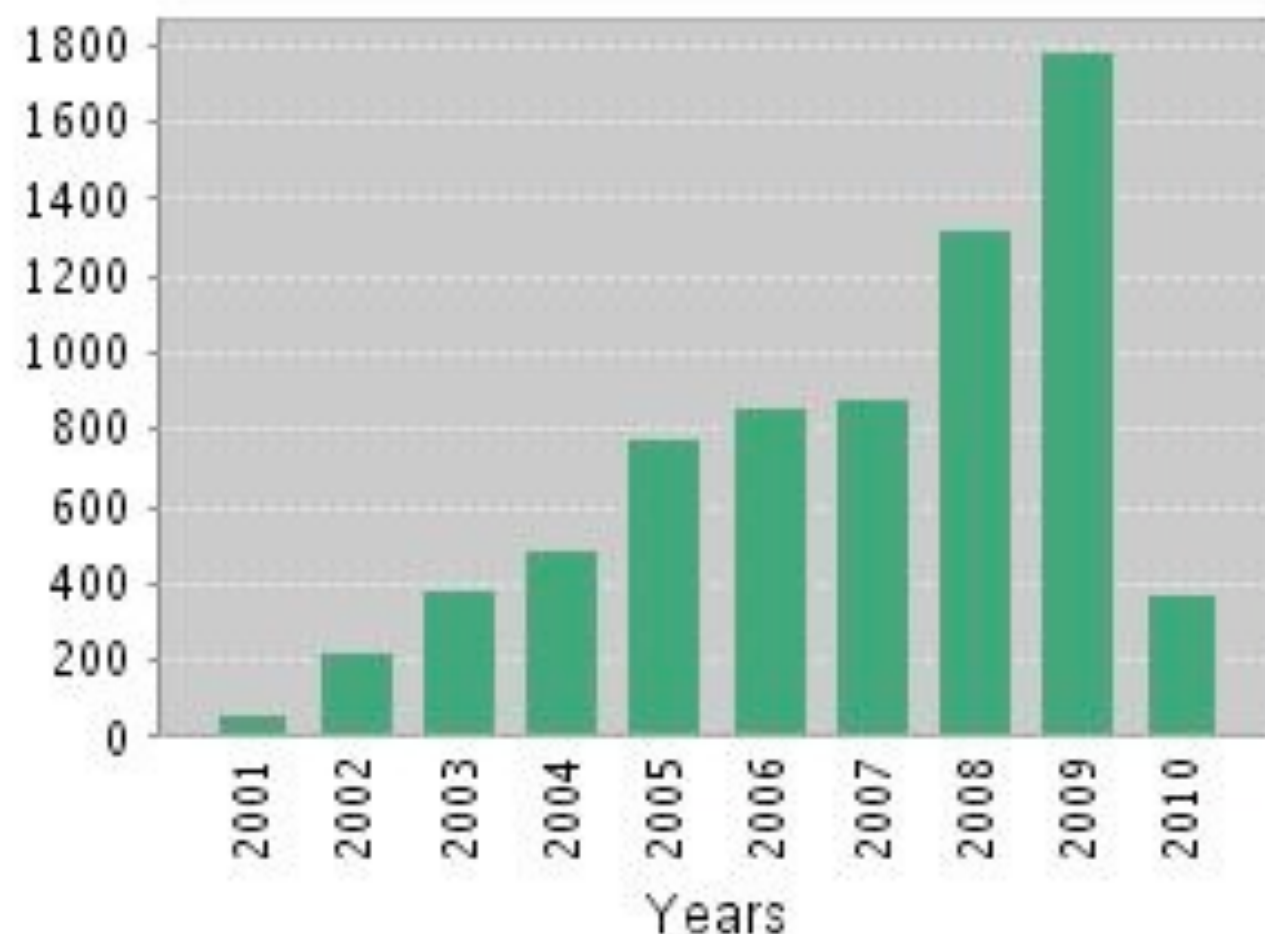
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