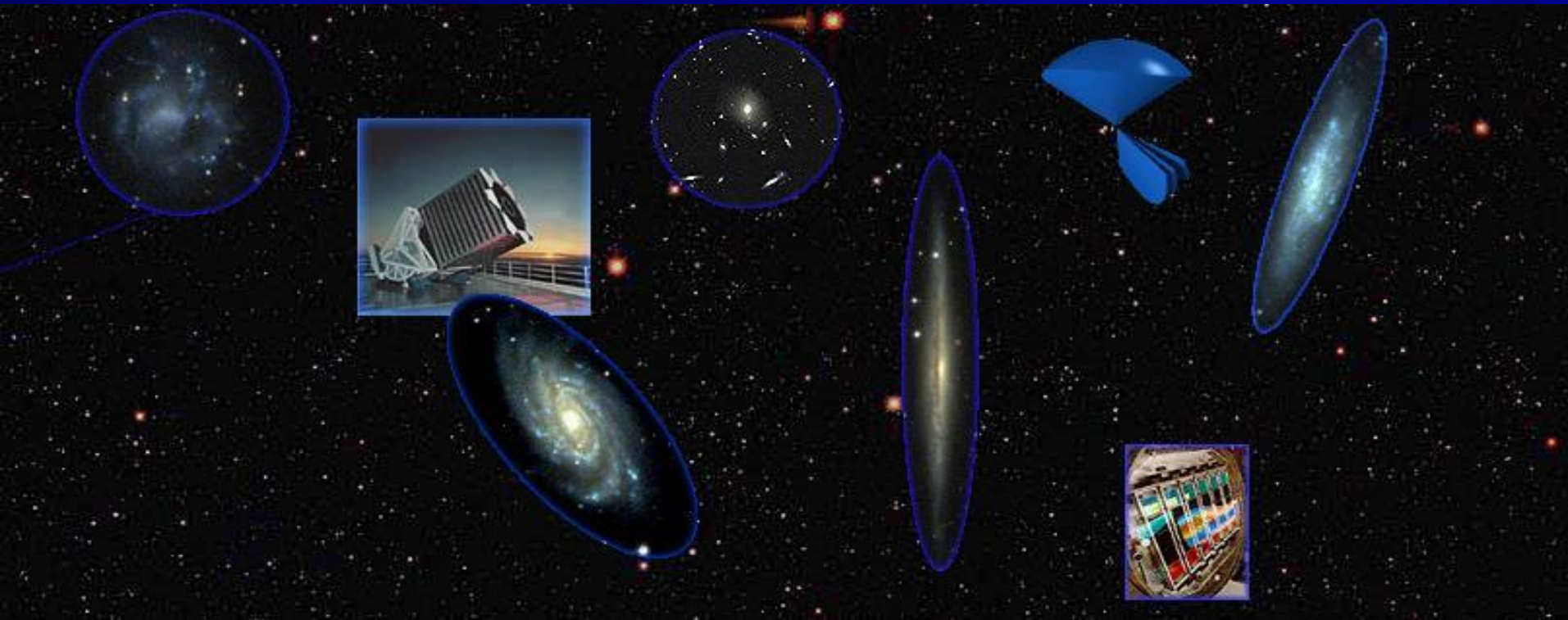




Massive galaxies in massive datasets

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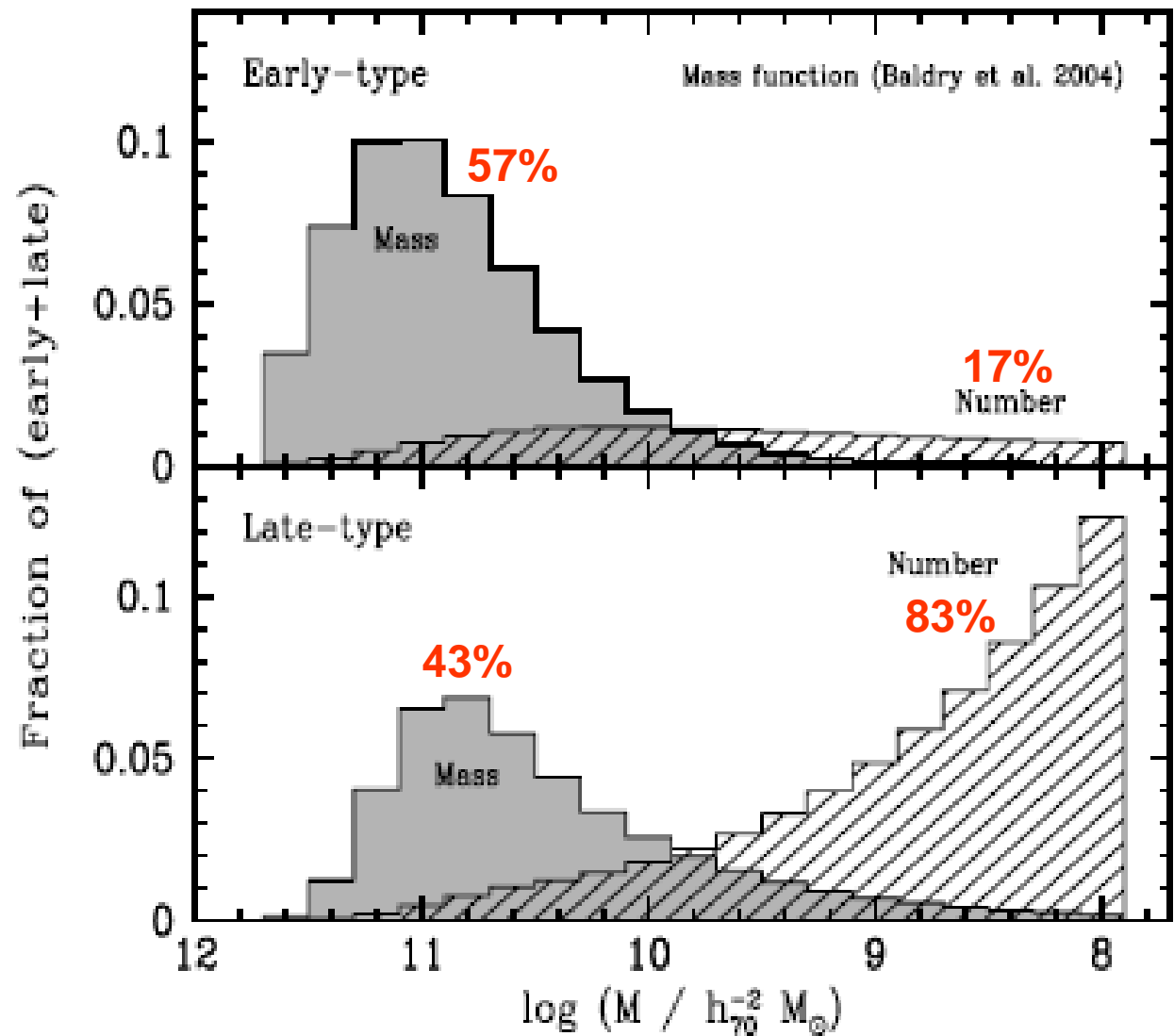
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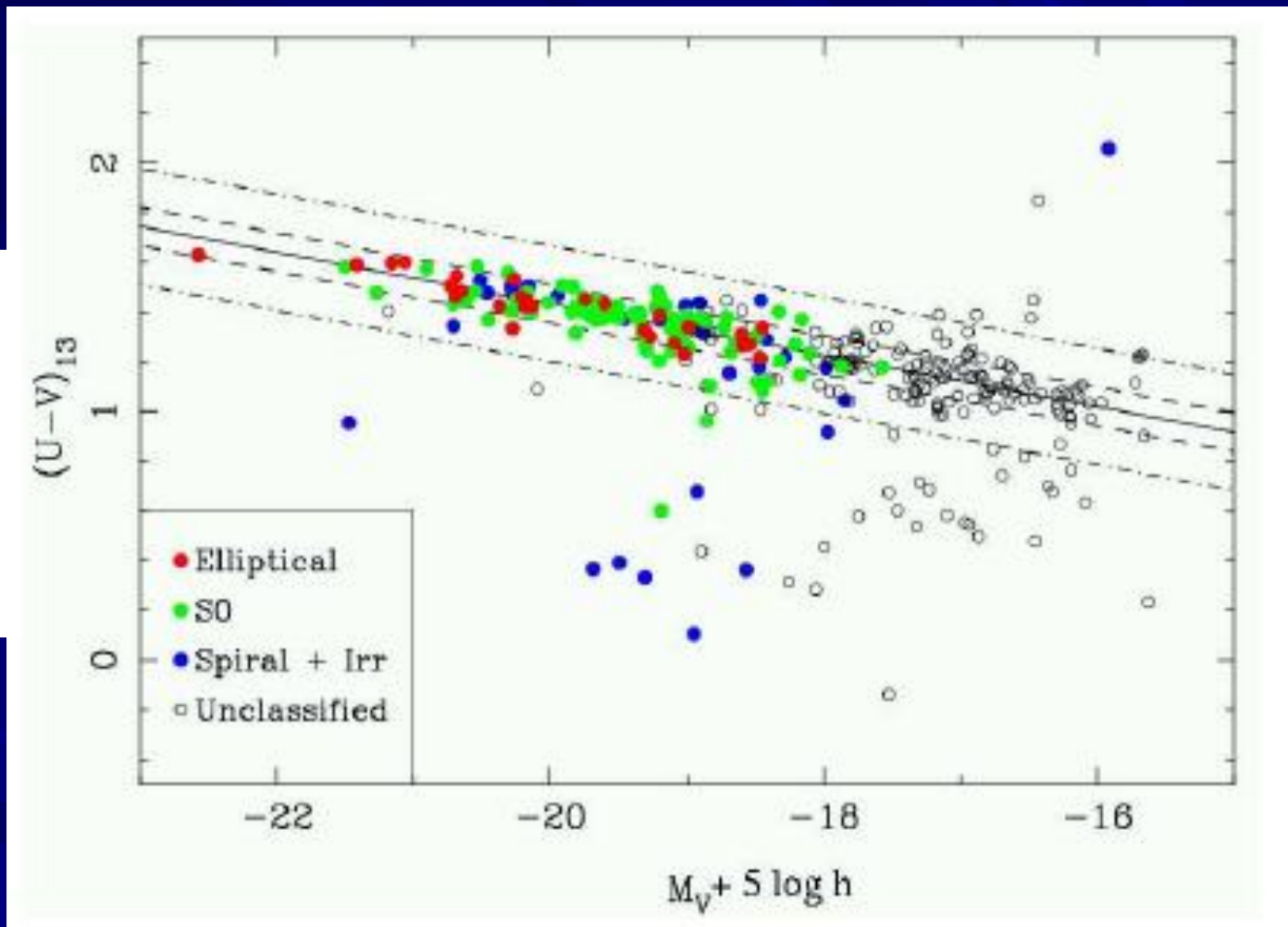
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Early-types
don't
dominate
number,
but they do
dominate
stellar
mass



The most massive galaxies are red and dead

Red Color →



← Luminosity

e.g. Bower et al. 1992
Bernardi et al. 2003; 2005

In the hierarchical picture of galaxy formation

$R = 6.0 \text{ Mpc}$

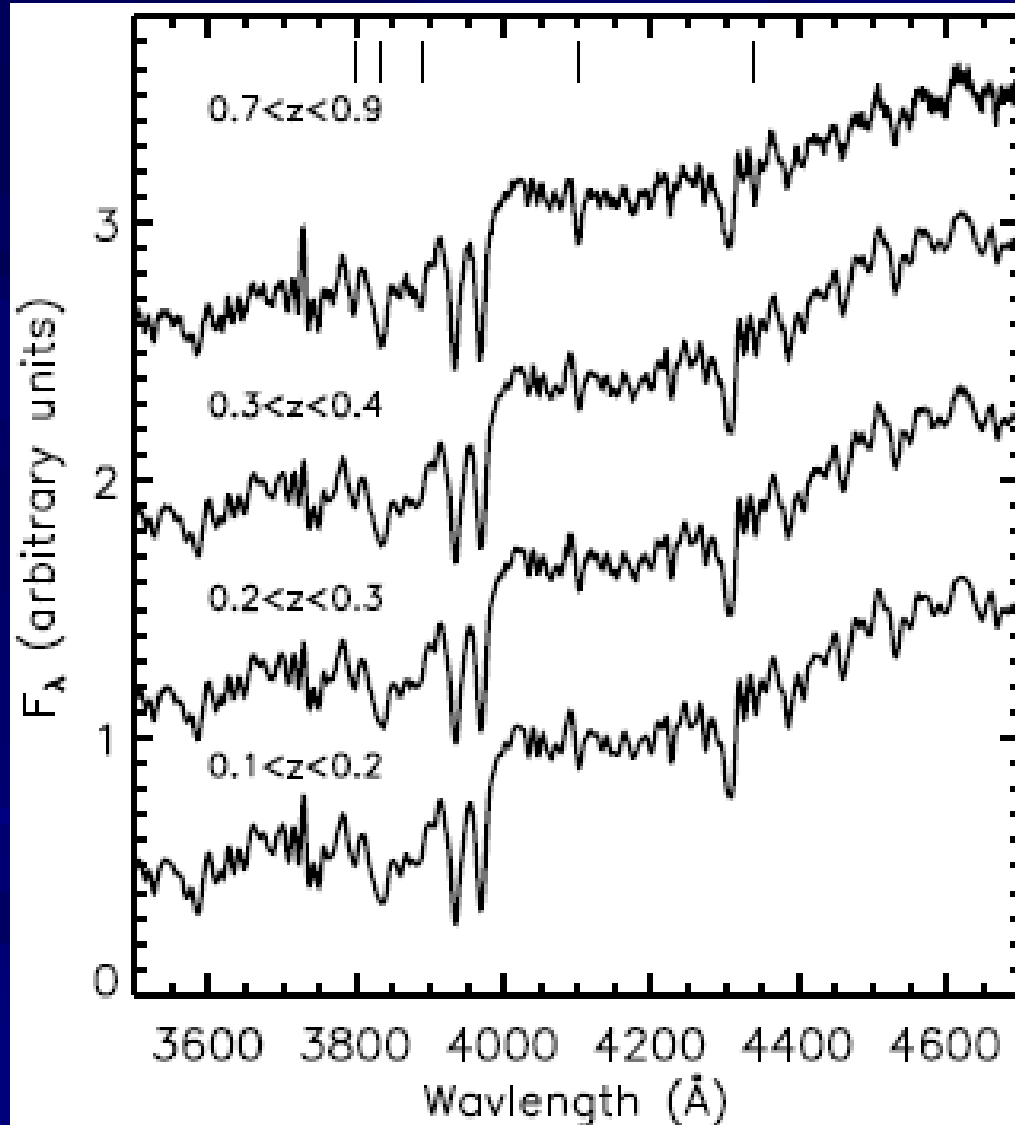
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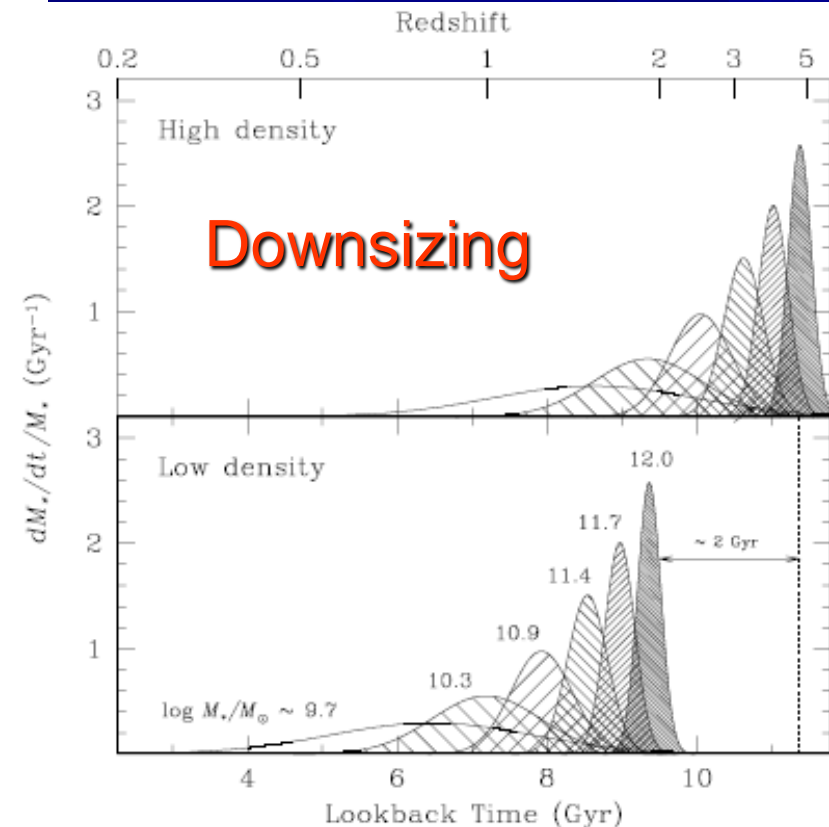
We need to find out when

- stars were formed
- the galaxy was assembled

Stellar population in early-type galaxies formed at $z > 2$



At most 5% of the stellar mass in the averaged high- z LRG has formed around $z \sim 1$



■ Old stellar population (OK for everybody!!)

■ ?? When were galaxies assembled ??

- Population of massive red galaxies seen even at $z \gg 0$
(e.g. K20, VVDS, COMBO-17, DEEP, MUSYC, MUNIC, COSMOS, MIPS/Spitzer-24 μ m-undetected)
- Still assembling at low z ?

■ In the hierarchical formation picture

(e.g. de Lucia et al. 2006, Bower et al. 2006, Hopkins et al. 2006, Cattaneo et al. 2010)

-- prevent formation of new stars (**Quenching**):
AGN feedback, Shock heating, dynamical friction

-- assemble the stellar mass:

Dry merging (most of the stellar mass put in place at $z < 1$
e.g. for $M_* > 10^{11} M_\odot$ 80% of the stellar mass
is only put in place at $z \sim 0.3$)

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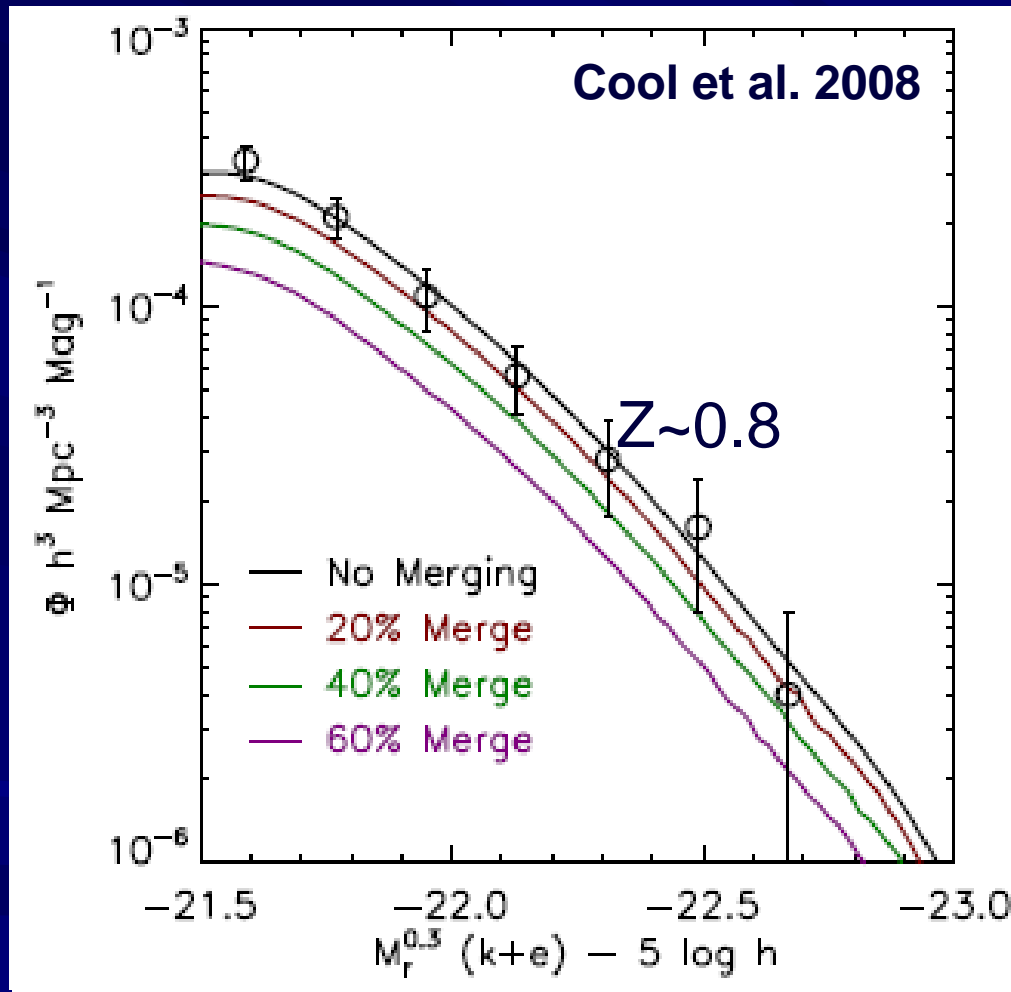
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Little evolution in the Luminosity Function

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Model where a galaxy has doubled its luminosity through 1:1 mergers between $z \sim 0.8$ and $z \sim 0.1$



Using 1:1 mergers
Merger rates $> 25\%$ are ruled out with 50% confidence

Using 1:3 mergers
Merger rates up to 40% are allowed at 50% confidence

The total stellar mass in massive red galaxies from $z \sim 0.9$ must not have grown by more than 50%

(Brown et al. 2007 \rightarrow 80% of M_* in $4L_*$ galaxies was already in place at $z \sim 0.7$)

In contrast L^* galaxies have increased their stellar mass by a factor of ~ 2

Wake et al. 2006 \rightarrow 50% of M_* in LRGs already assembled by $z \sim 0.6$)

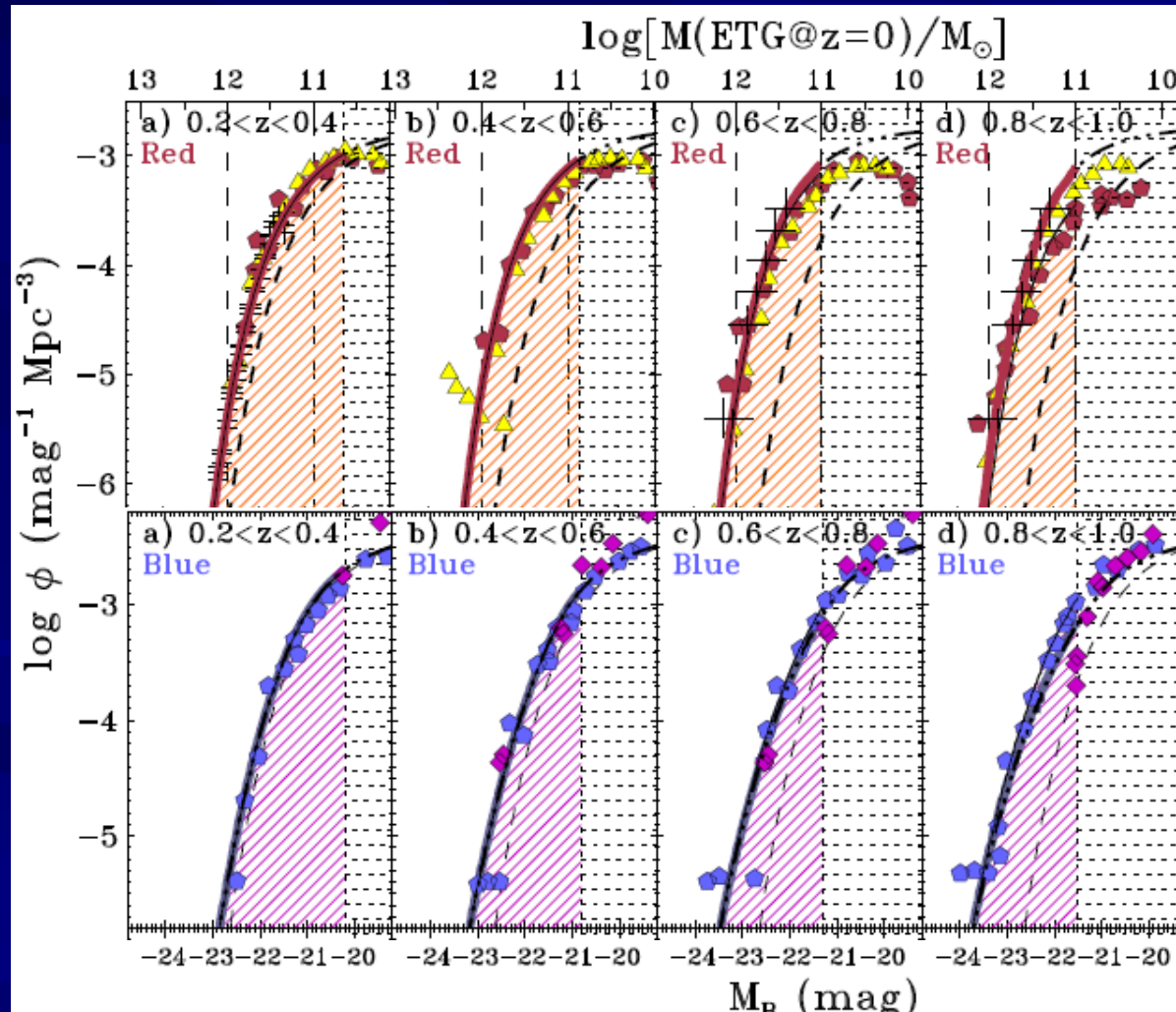
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 - Others see an increase in the # density of very massive galaxies between $z \sim 1$ and $z \sim 0.8$
(accounting for Dust Star Forming galaxies)

The discrepancy in the number evolution reported by different studies for bright, red galaxies up to $z \sim 1$ could be due to the inclusion of a *significant amount of Dusty SFs* into the red galaxy sample

- ▲ Bell et al. 2004
- + Cool et al. 2008
- ◆ Faber et al. 2007

The bulk of the more recent *mETG* assembly occurs over ~ 1 Gyr around $0.8 < z < 1$

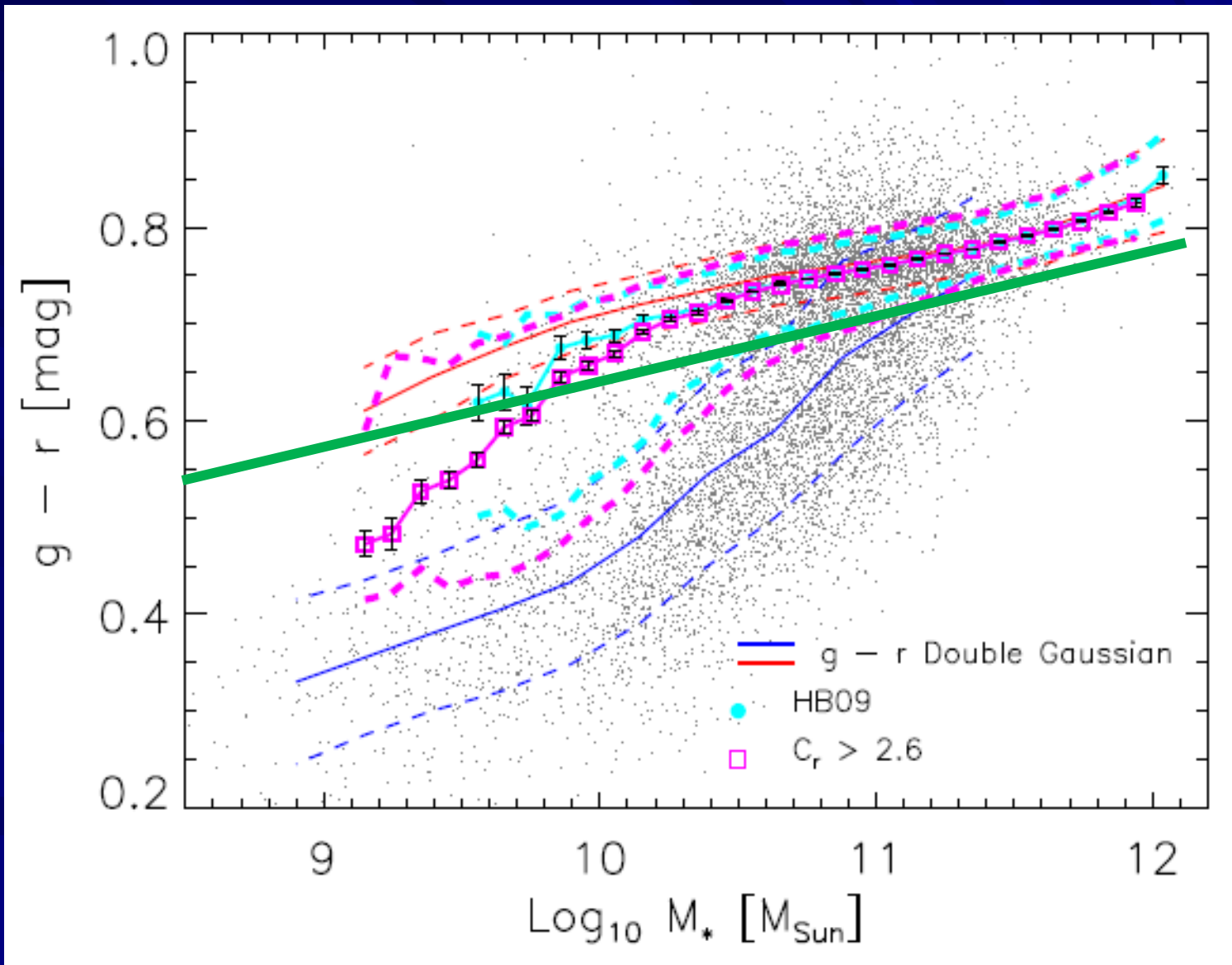


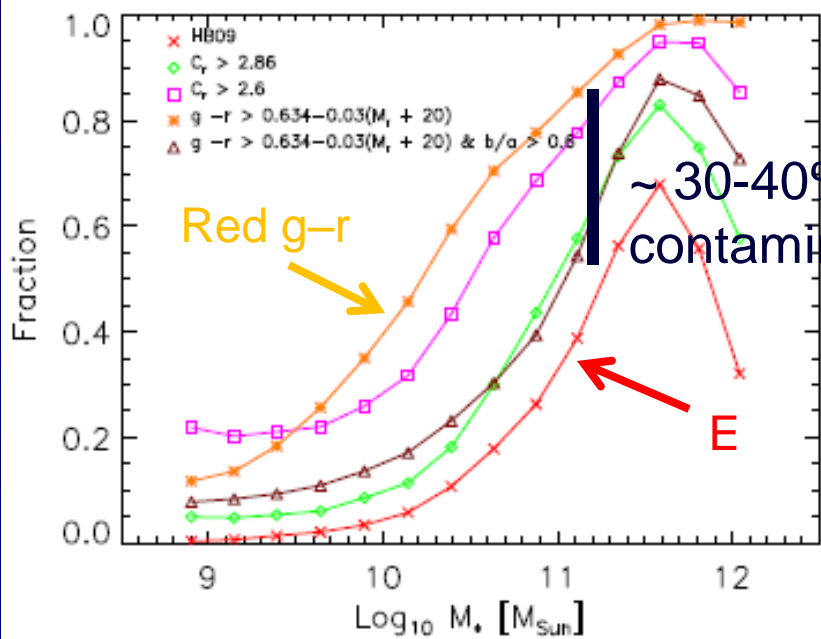
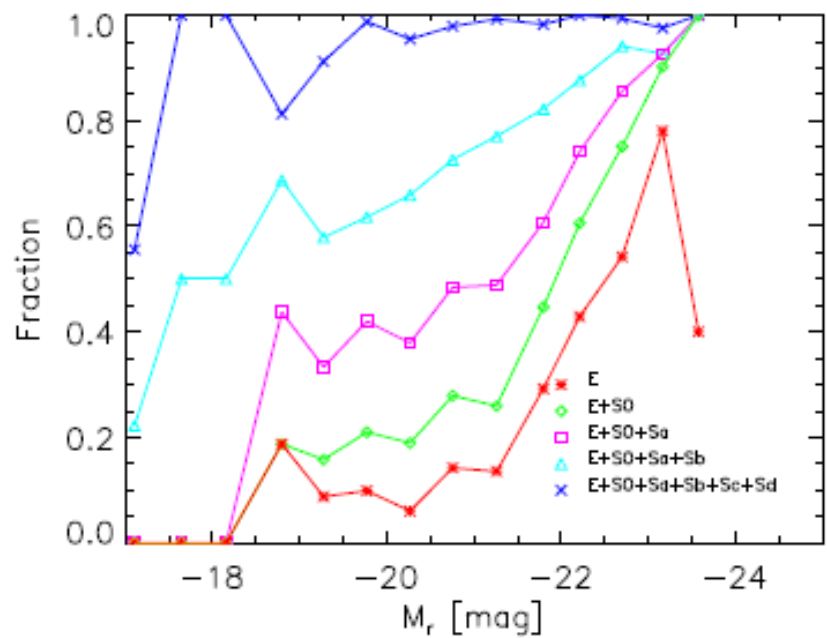
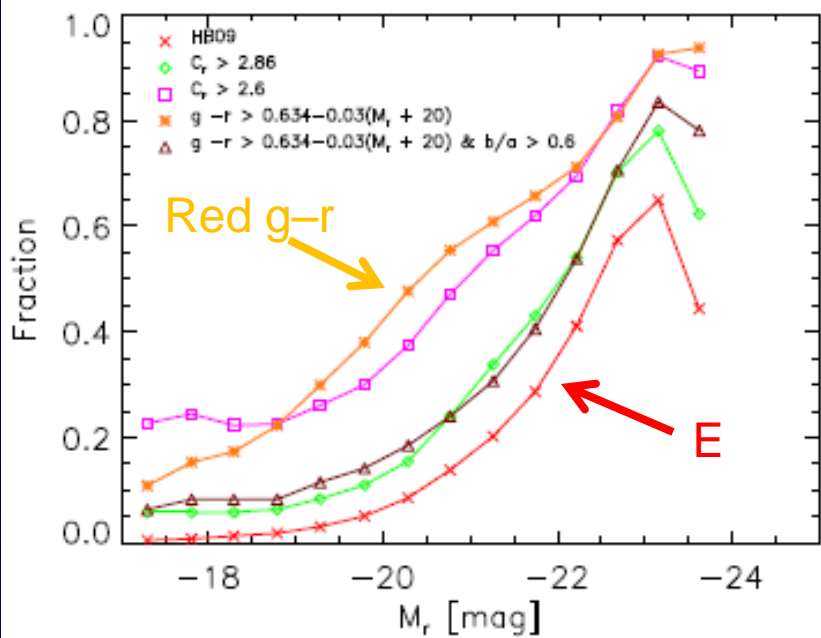
Eliche-Moral et al. 2010a

Decrease $\sim 30\text{-}40\%$ of # density of blue galaxies since $z \sim 1$ to $z \sim 0$, just considering the transformation of disks into ETGs driven by the *major mergers* at $z \sim 1$

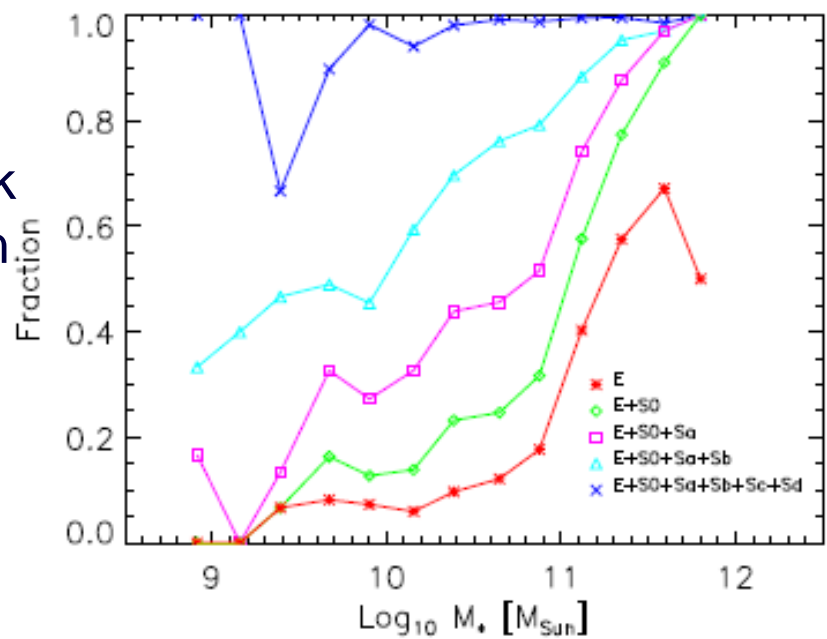
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Red Fraction or Early-type Fraction?

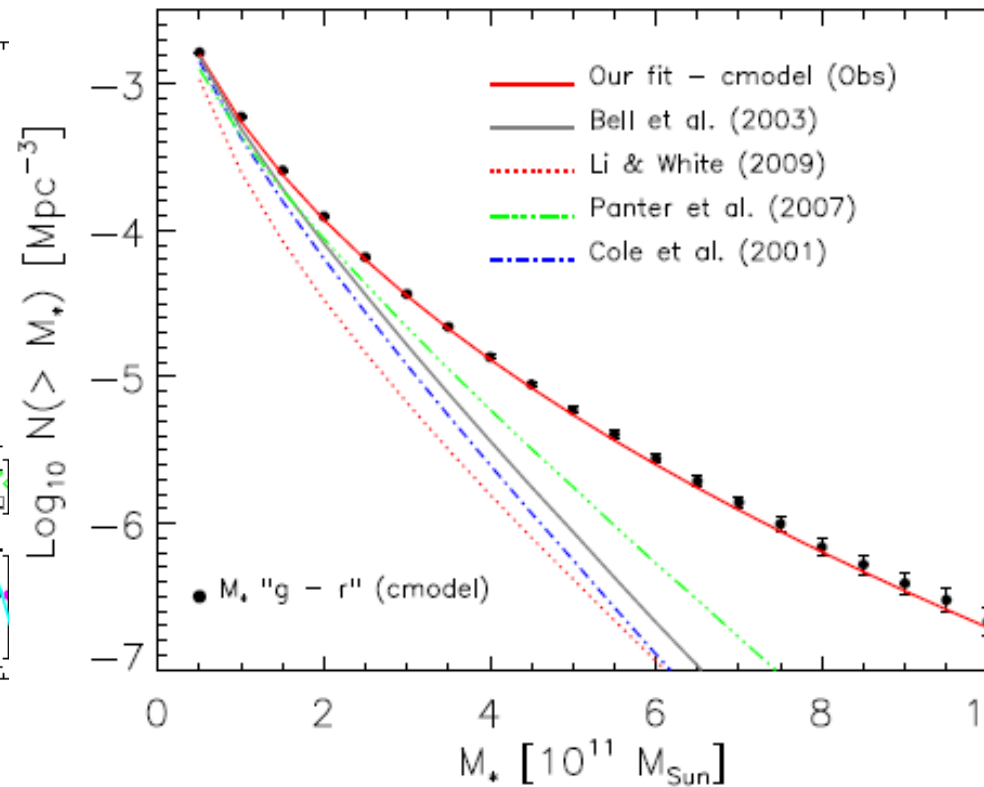
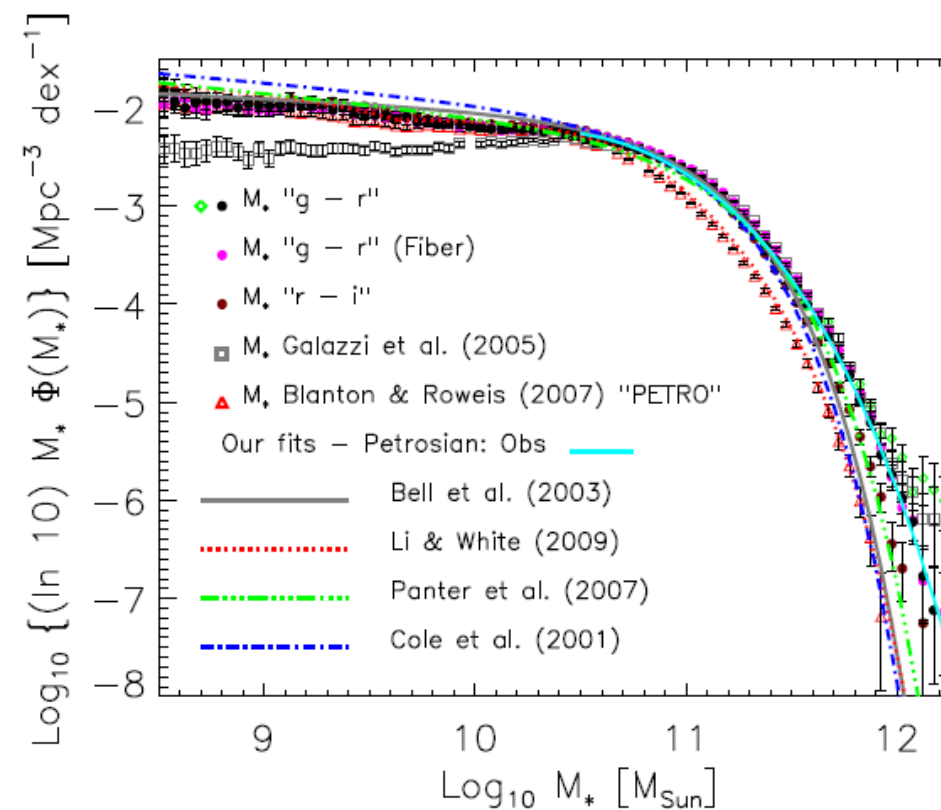




~ 30-40% disk contamination



Uncertainties in the local M_*F



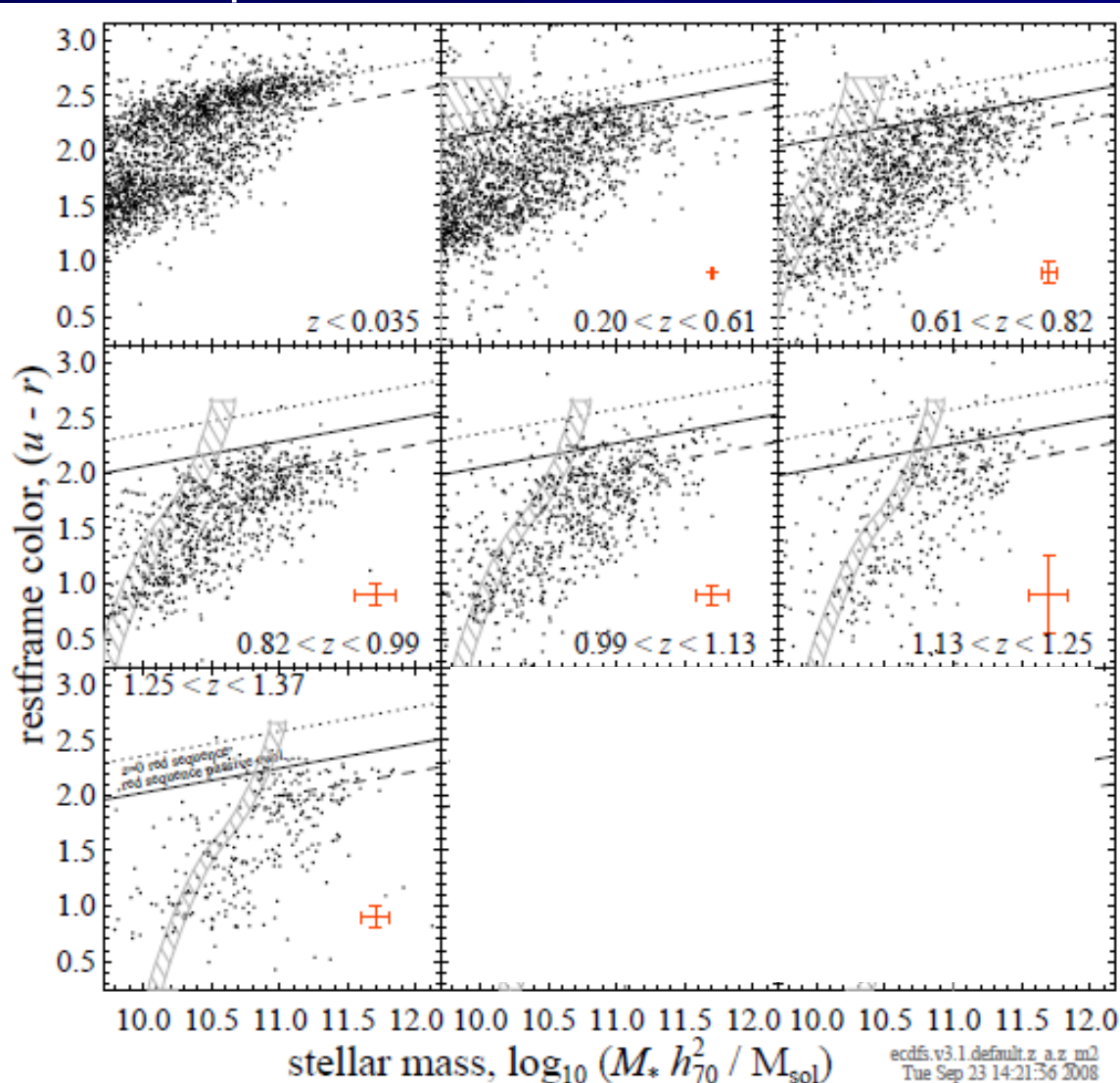
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Quenching of star formation important

The truncation of star formation in blue galaxies and subsequent passive fading of stellar population can explain the growth of L^* galaxies in the red-sequence since $z \sim 1$



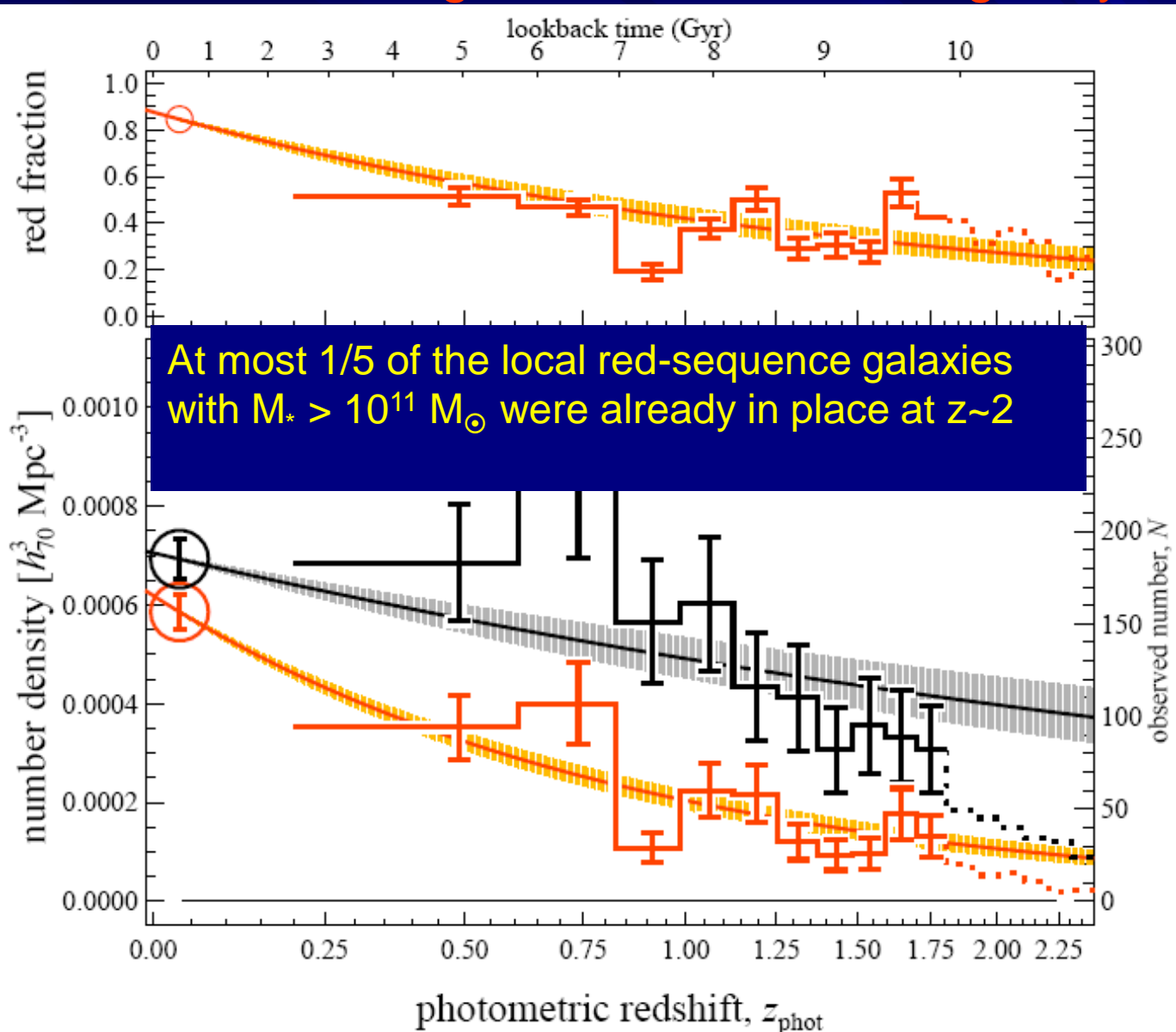
The lack of very massive blue galaxies at $z \sim 1$



Most massive galaxies must be fueled by merges of less luminous red-galaxies

Taylor et al. 2008

Mild evolution in the number density of all massive galaxies
BUT
Strong evolution in the red galaxy fraction



Constraints on “quenching” mechanism/s

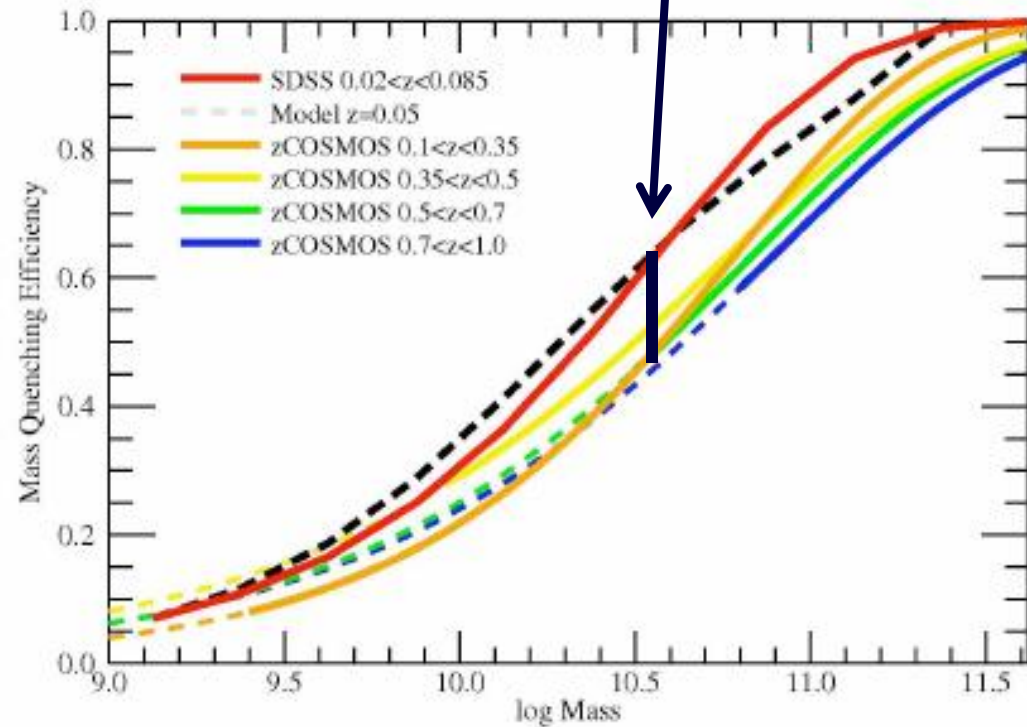
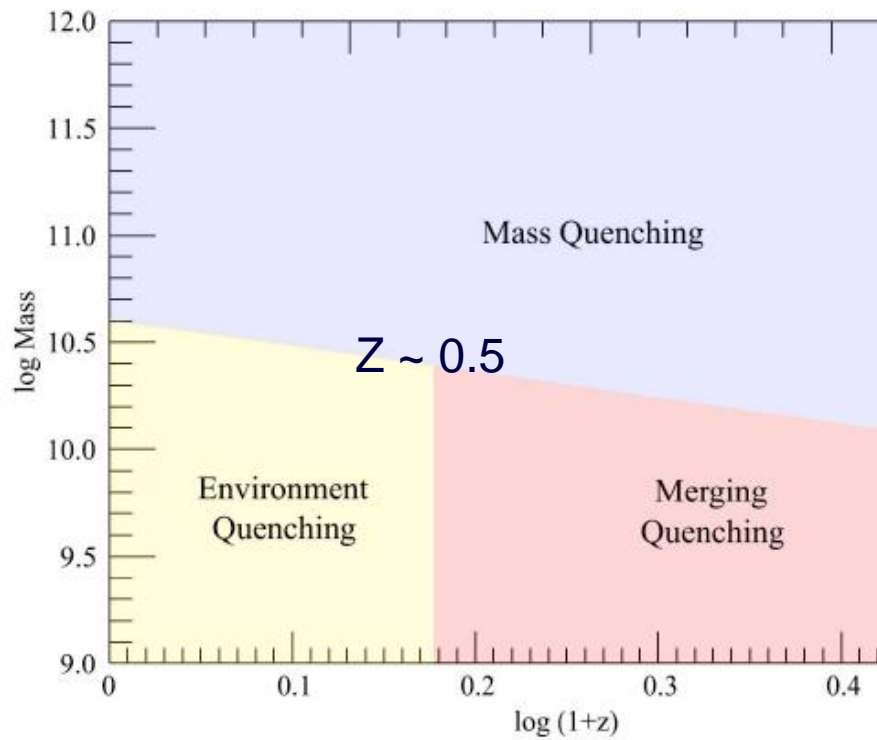
The massive galaxy population appears to be *changing* more than it is *growing*

Three processes of quenching dominate the evolution of galaxies

“mass-quenching” + “environment-quenching”
+ some additional “merging-quenching”

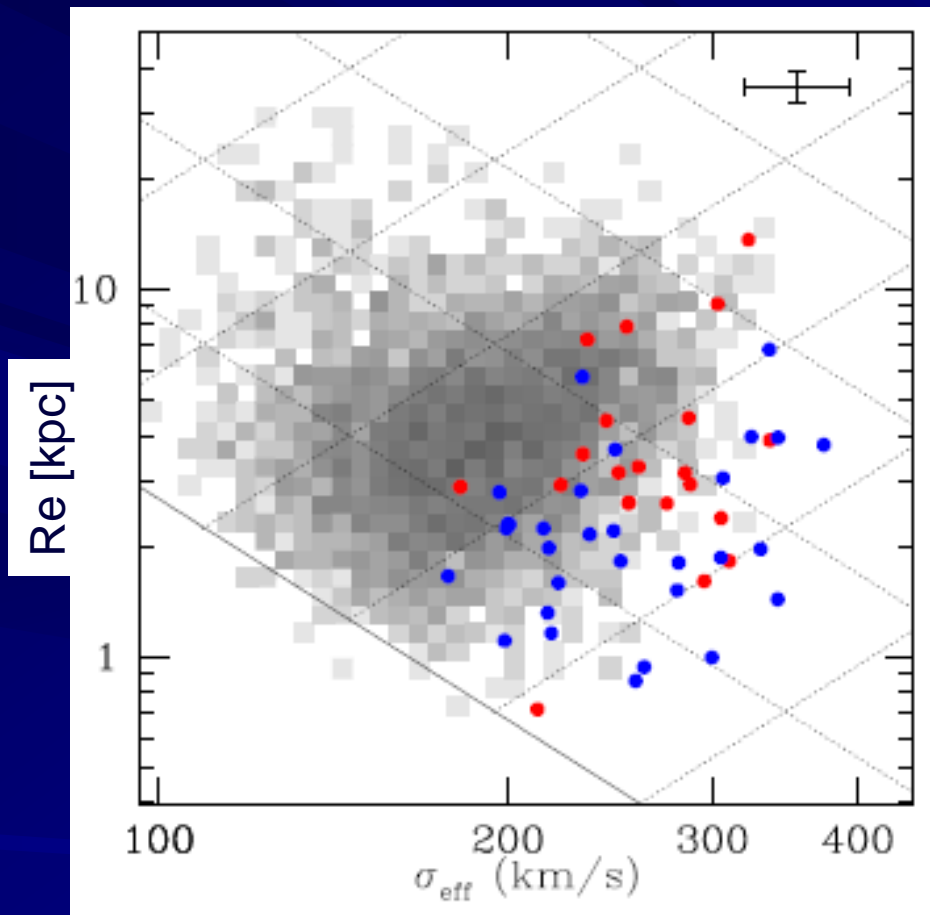
(SDSS + zCOSMOS)

Mass quenching is
more efficient at
low z



Peng et al. 2010

The evolution in R_e at fixed mass between $z \sim 1$ and the present is a factor of 1.97 ± 0.15



This needs merging
not only quenching
+
“dry” not “wet” merging

Major or Minor?

van der Wel et al. 2008

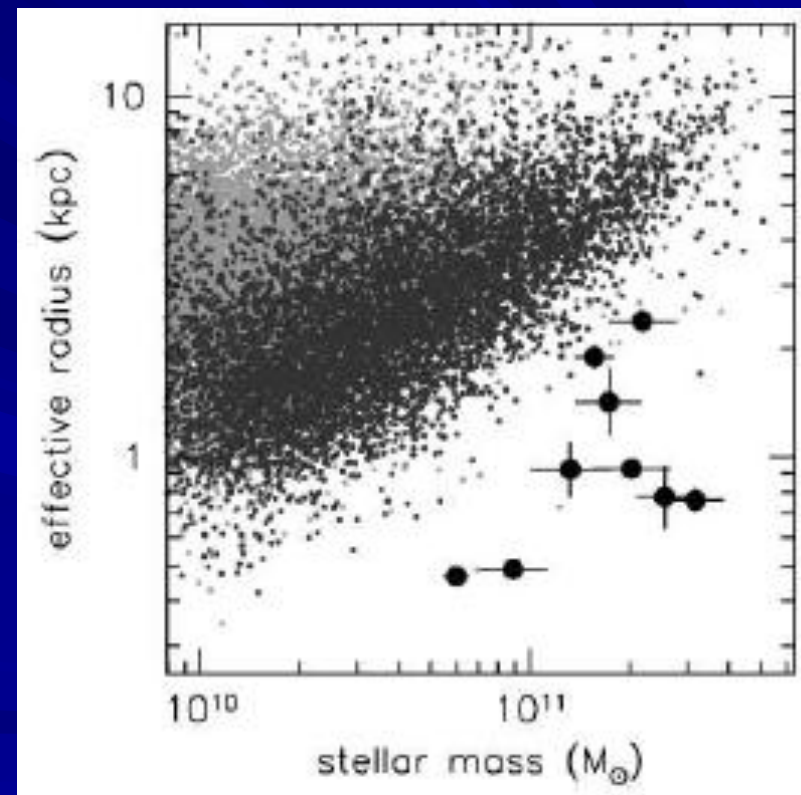
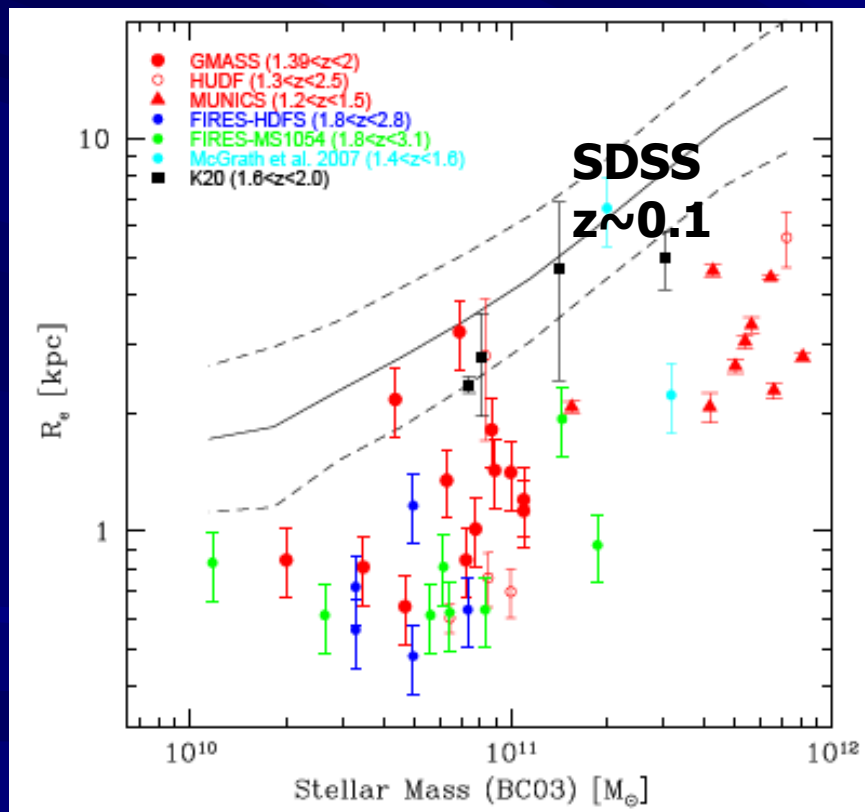
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At fixed stellar mass, high-z sizes are smaller by $(1+z)^{-1}$ or more (Trujillo et al. 2007; Cimatti et al. 2008; van Dokkum et al. 2008)

$Z \sim 1.8$

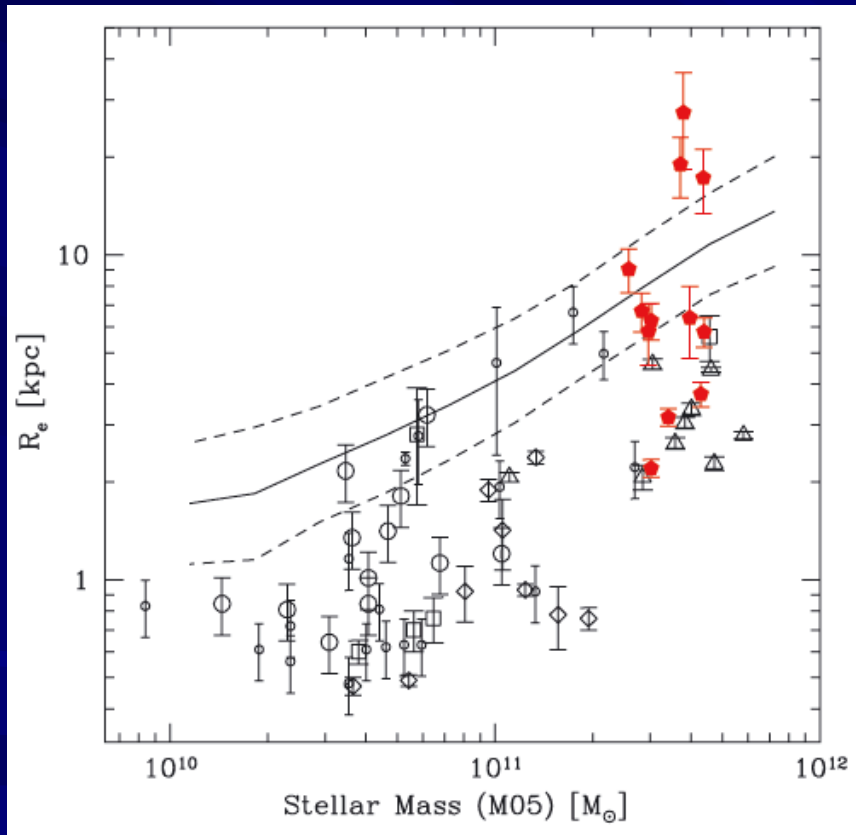
$Z \sim 2.3$



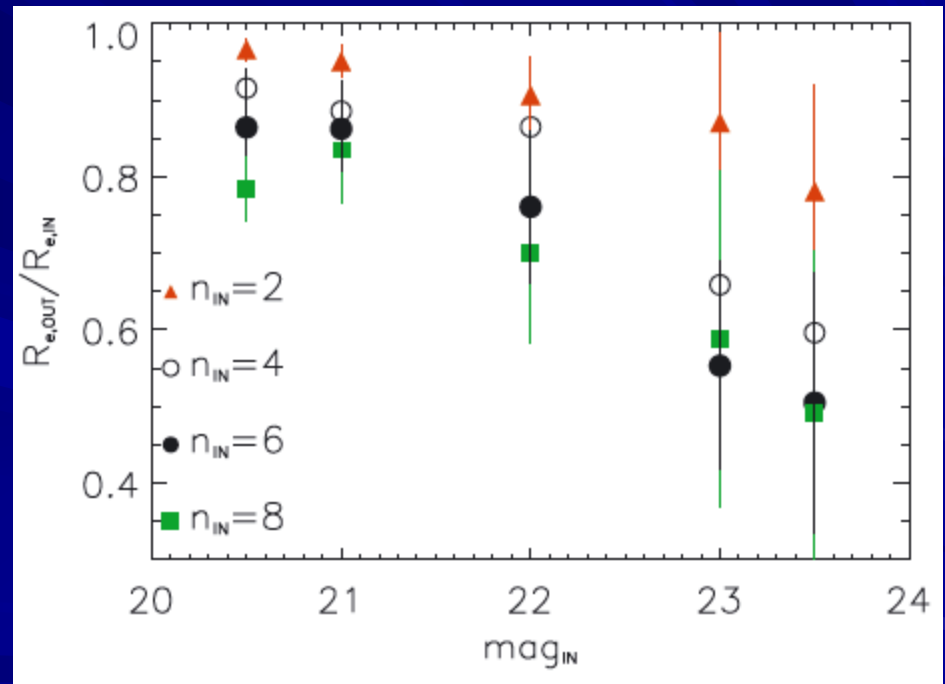
Cimatti et al. 2008

5 kpc @ $z \sim 0$ \rightarrow 0.9 kpc @ $z \sim 2.3$
van Dokkum et al. 2008

However ...

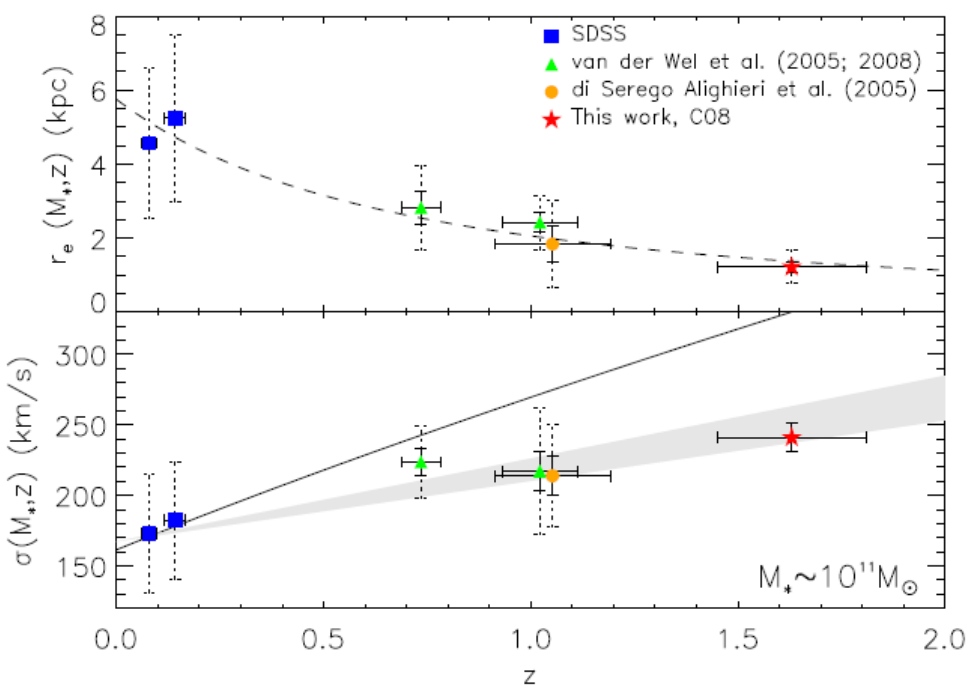


Measurements could be biased



Mancini et al. 2010

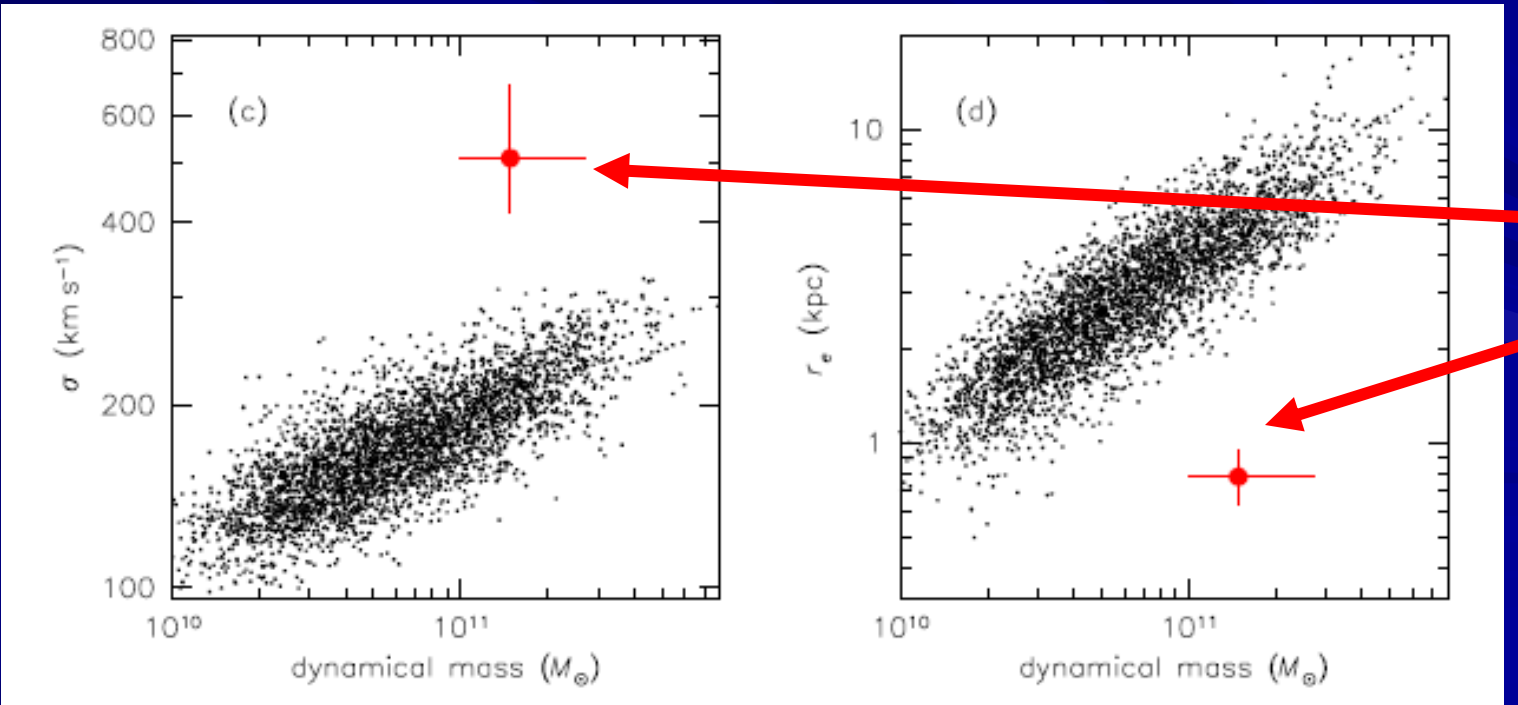
Cenarro & Trujillo 2009



At $z \sim 2$:
 $R_e \sim$ factor 6 smaller
 $\sigma \sim$ factor 1.5 larger

$z = 2.186$
 $\sigma = 510^{+165}_{-95} \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Van Dokkum et al. 2009

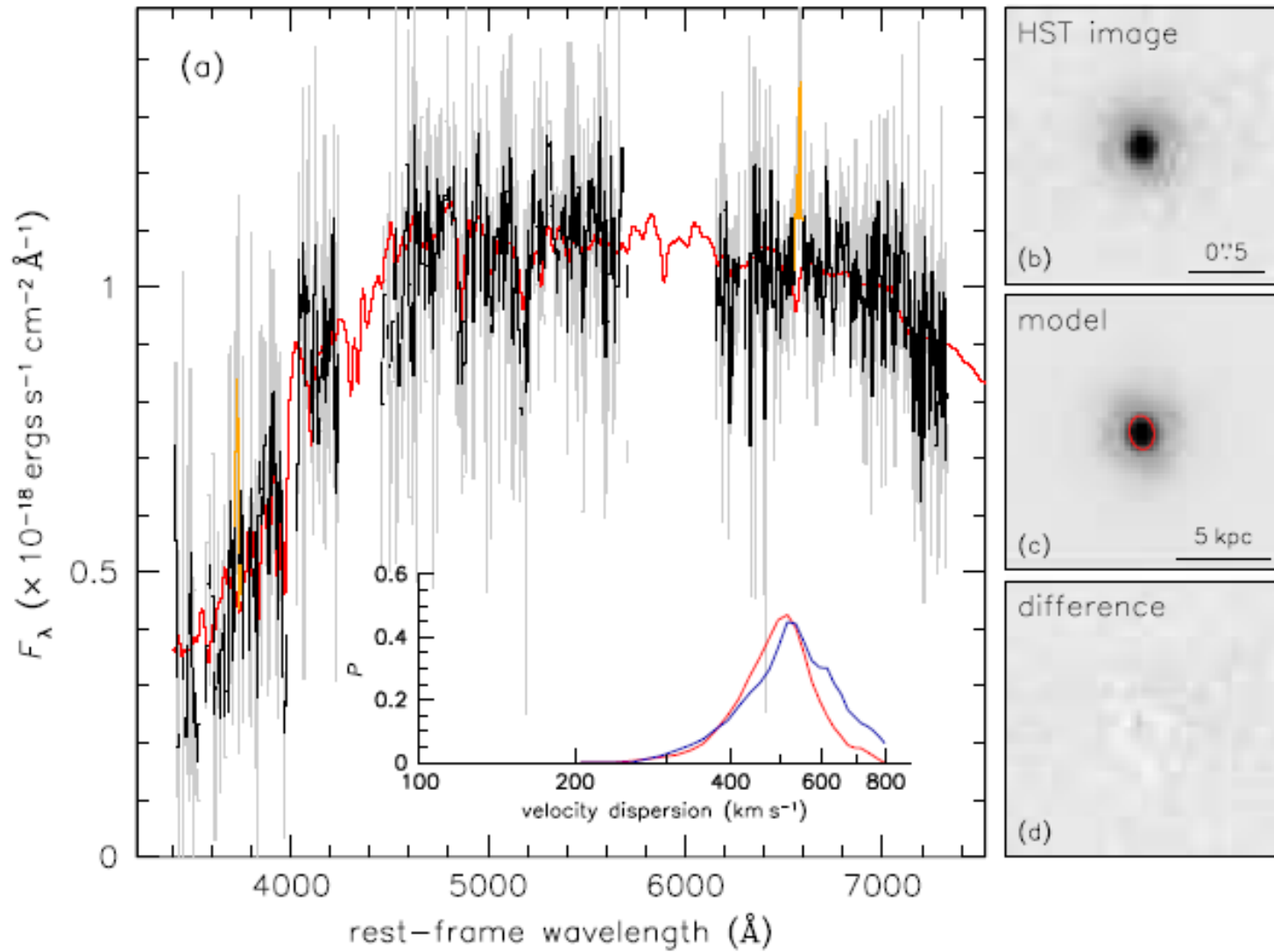


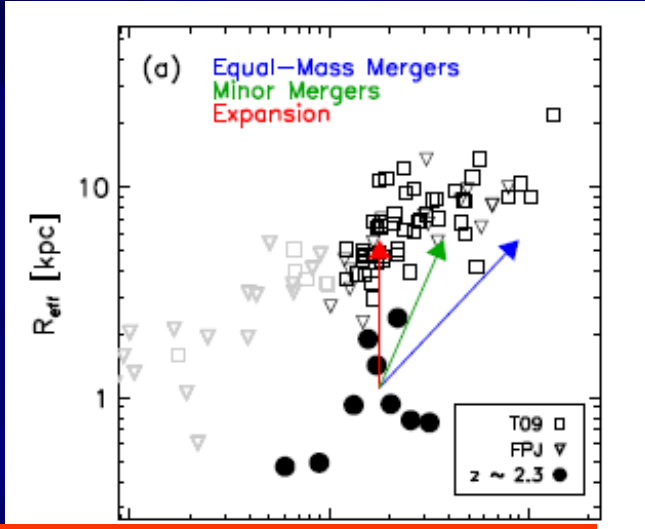
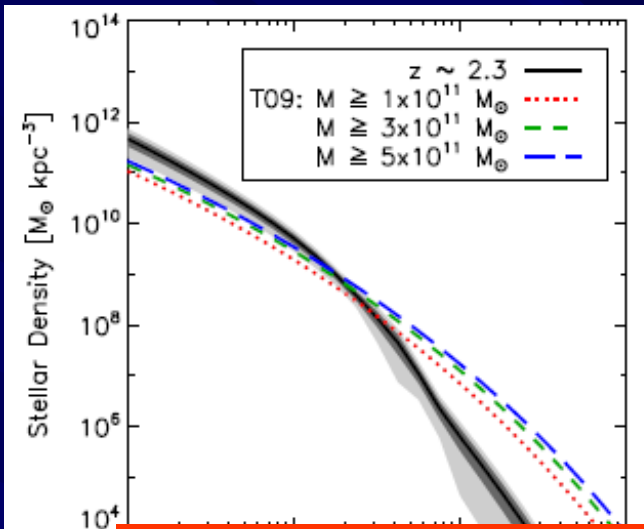
$\sigma \sim$ factor 2.5
 $R_e \sim$ factor 6

Gemini spectrum and HST images of 1255-0 at $z = 2.186$

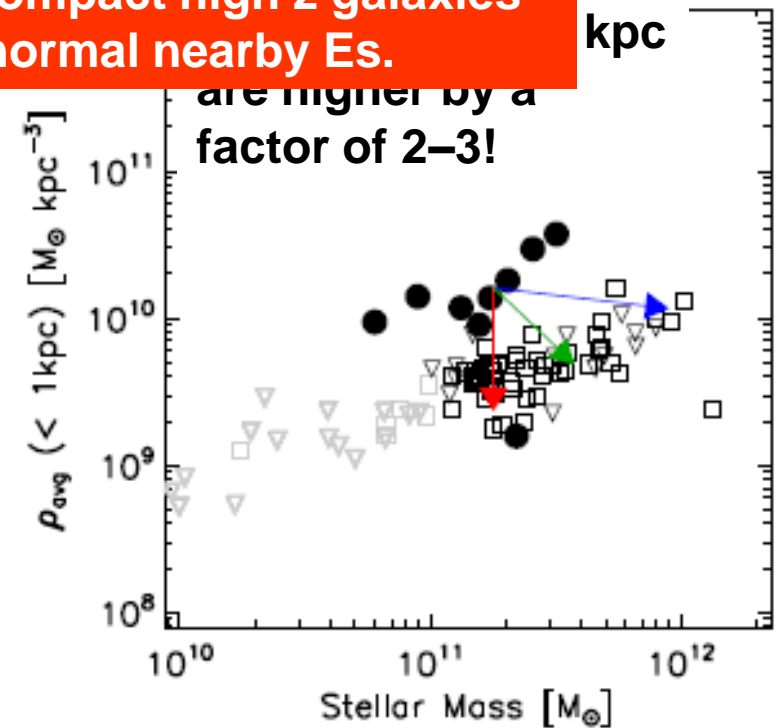
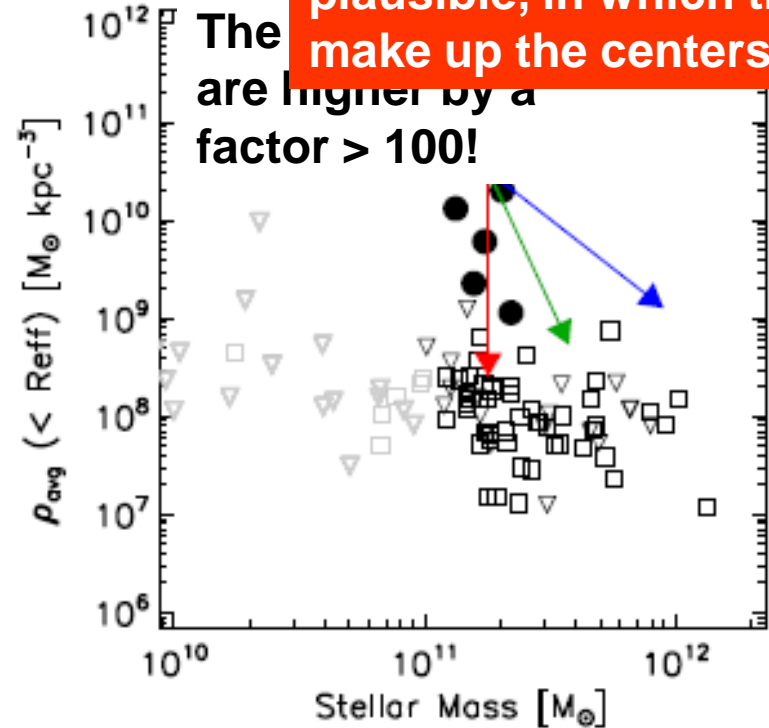
29 hours integration for a S/N ~ 5 -8!

Cost of \$200k!!





Inside-out growth scenario (*minor mergers*) is plausible, in which the compact high z galaxies make up the centers of normal nearby Es.



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Dry mergers: Major & Minor

- $E_i = E_f$

- $E_i = E_{\text{virial}} + E_{\text{orbit}} = KE_{\text{virial}} + W_{\text{virial}}$
 $= m_1 \sigma_1^2 / 2 + m_2 \sigma_2^2 / 2 - G m_1^2 / r_1 - G m_2^2 / r_2$

- $E_f = (m_1 + m_2) \sigma_f^2 / 2 - G (m_1 + m_2)^2 / r_f$

- **Major merger:** $m_1 = m_2 = m_i$ and $m_f = 2m_i$

$$\sigma_i^2 - G (2 m_i) / r_i = \sigma_f^2 - G m_f / (r_f / 2)$$

→ double mass, double size, no change in σ

- **Minor merger:** $m_f = (1+f) m_i$

From Virial Theorem ($2KE = -W$) $m \sim r \sigma^2$

$$r_f \sigma_f^2 = (1+f) r_i \sigma_i^2 = (1+f)^2 r_i \sigma_i^2 / (1+f)$$

when $f \ll 1$ $m_f = (1+f) m_i \sim (1+2f) r_i \sigma_i^2 (1-f)$

→ larger change in size than mass and decrease in σ

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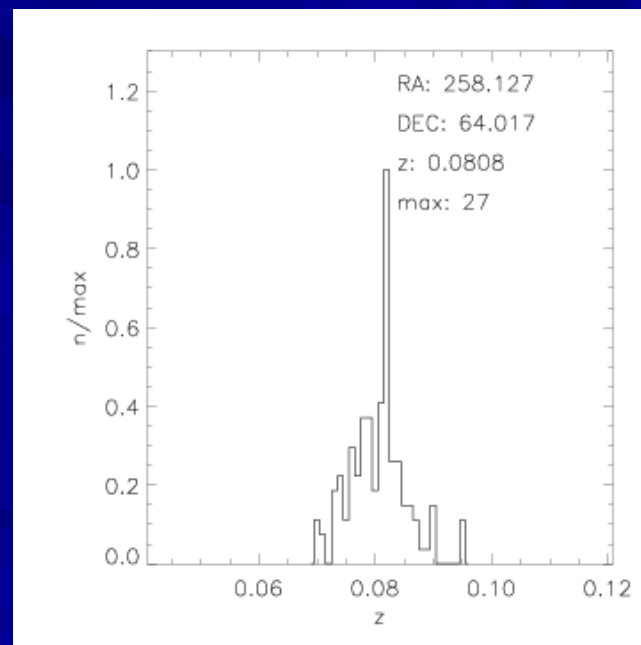
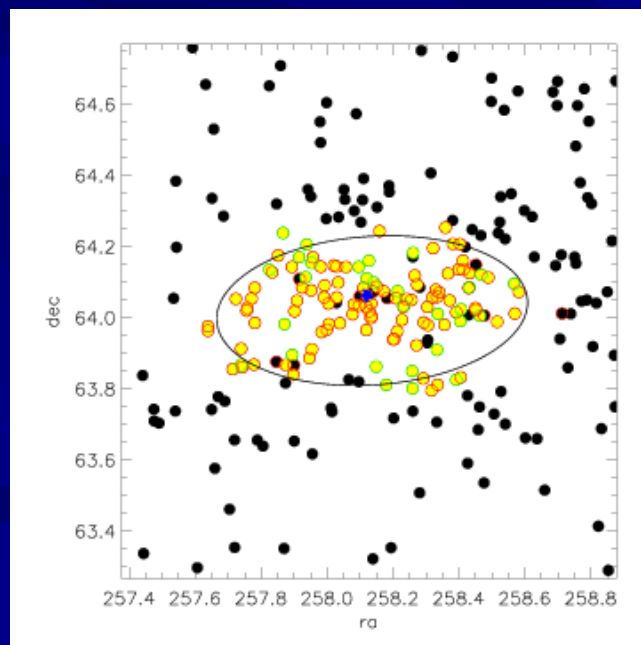
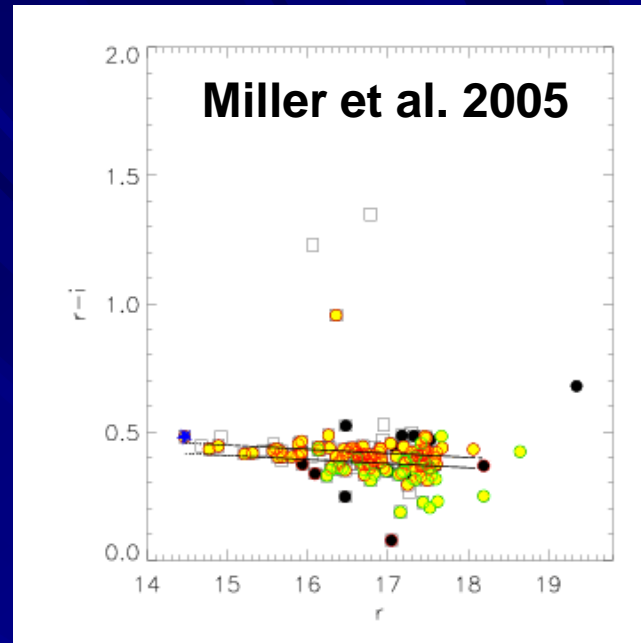
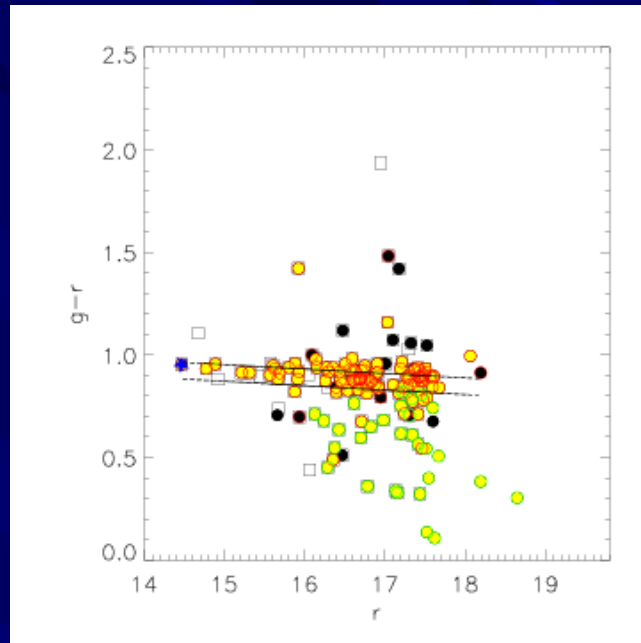
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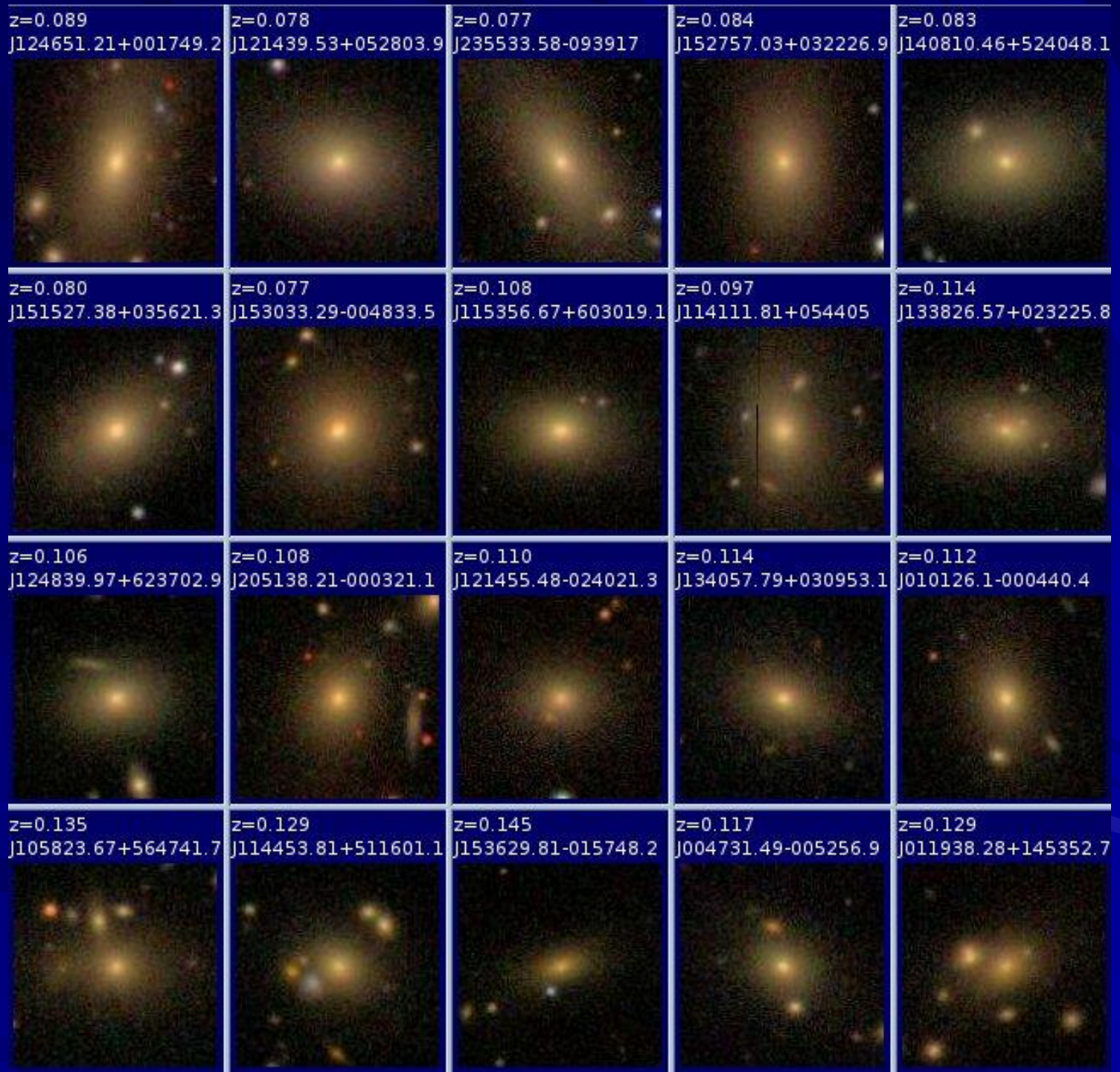
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Brightest Cluster Galaxies

- C4 cluster catalog (Miller et al. 2005)
- MaxBCGs (Koester et al. 2007)





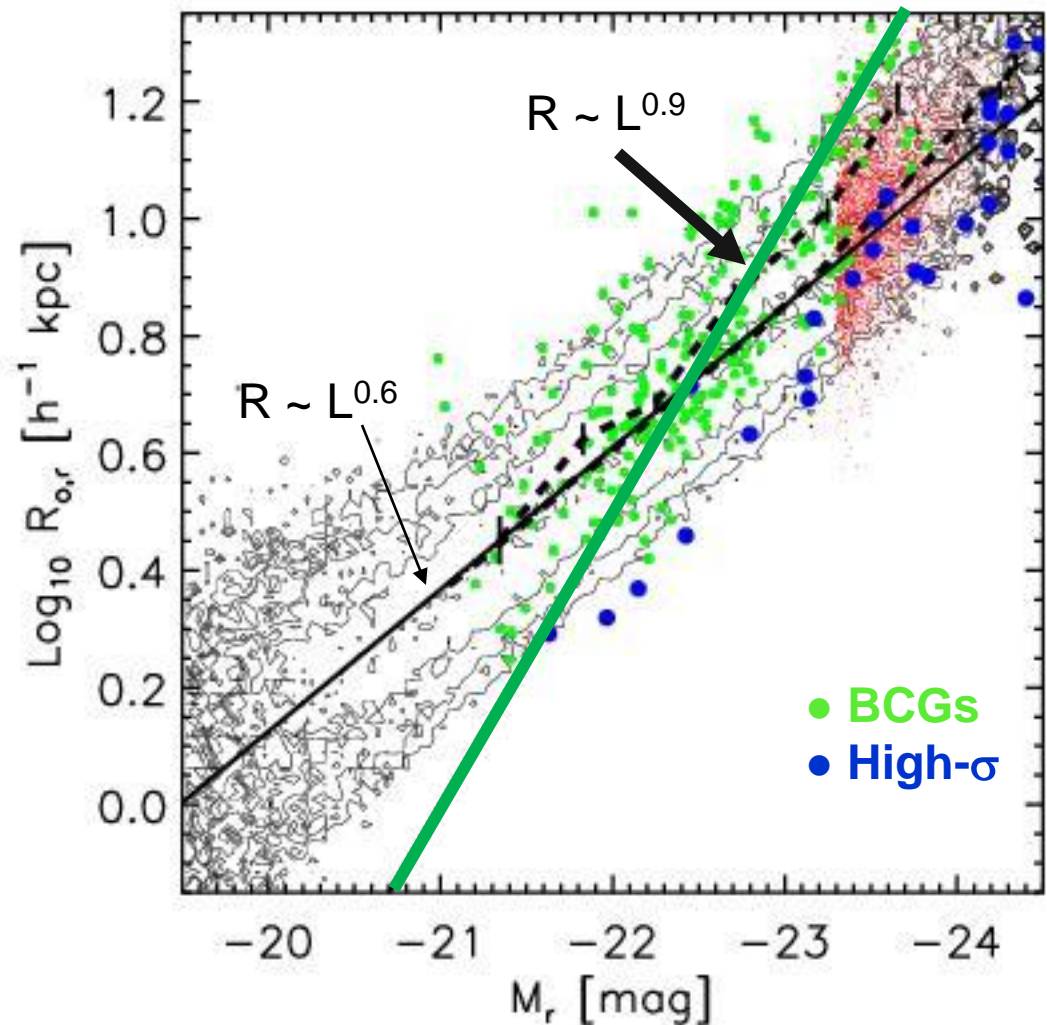
Luminosity-Size relation

■ Upturn to larger sizes at large luminosities

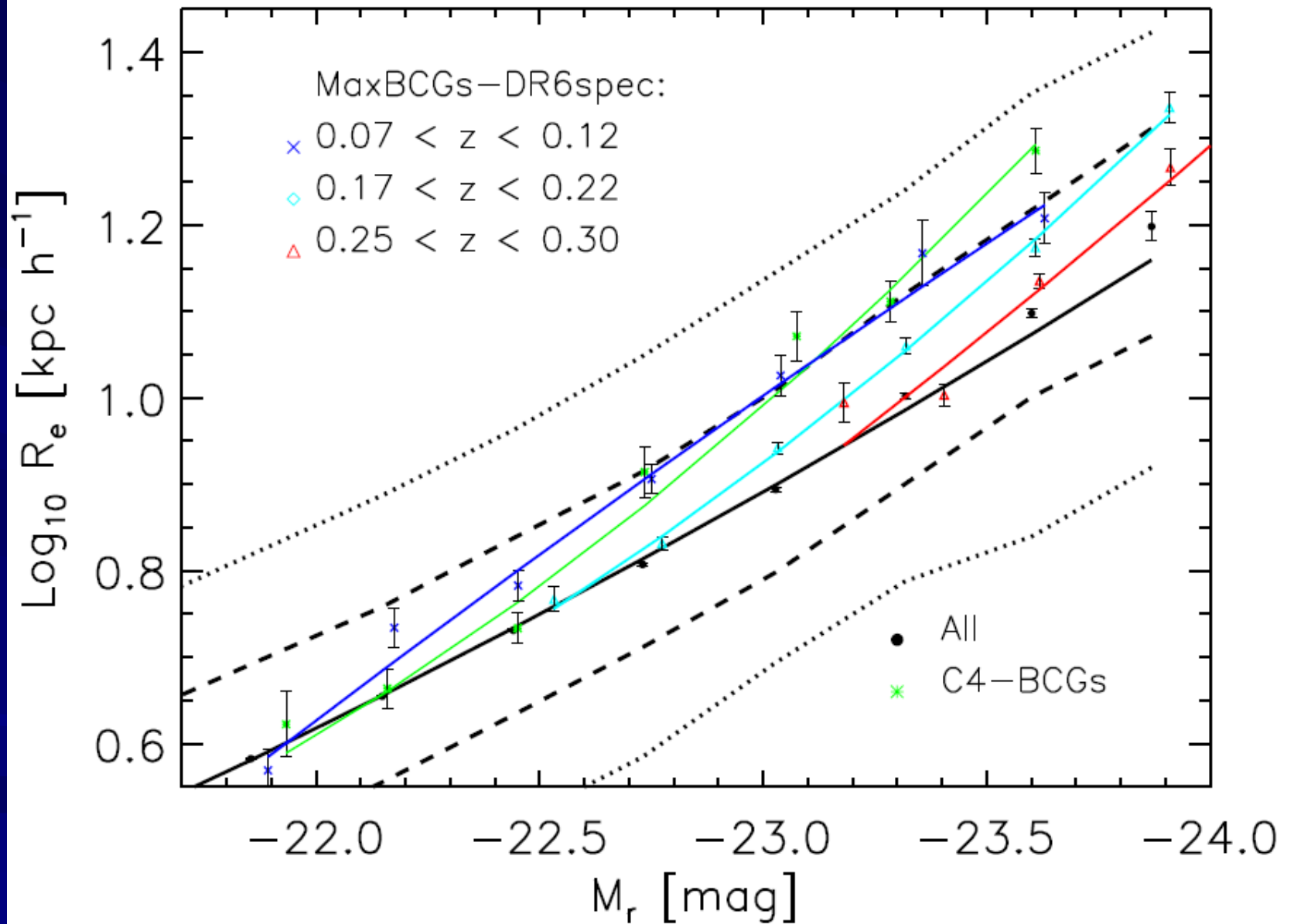
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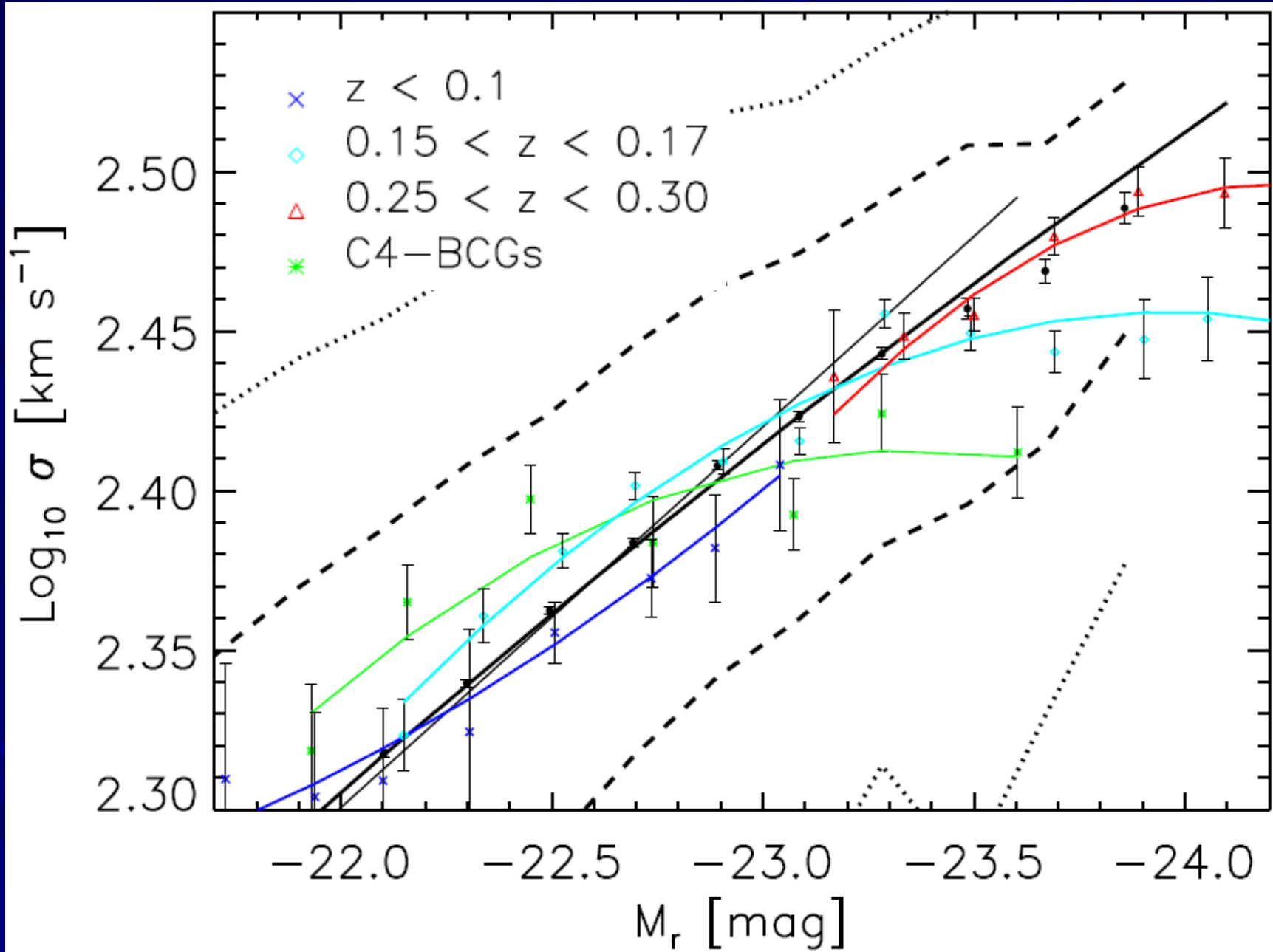
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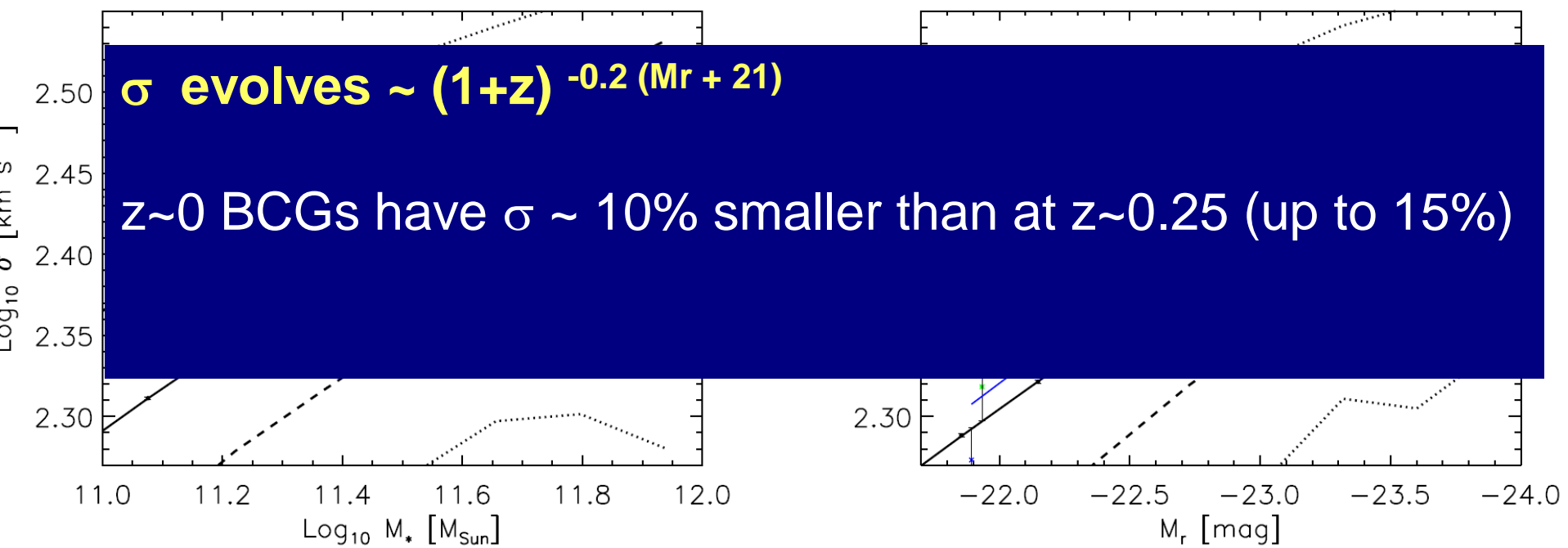
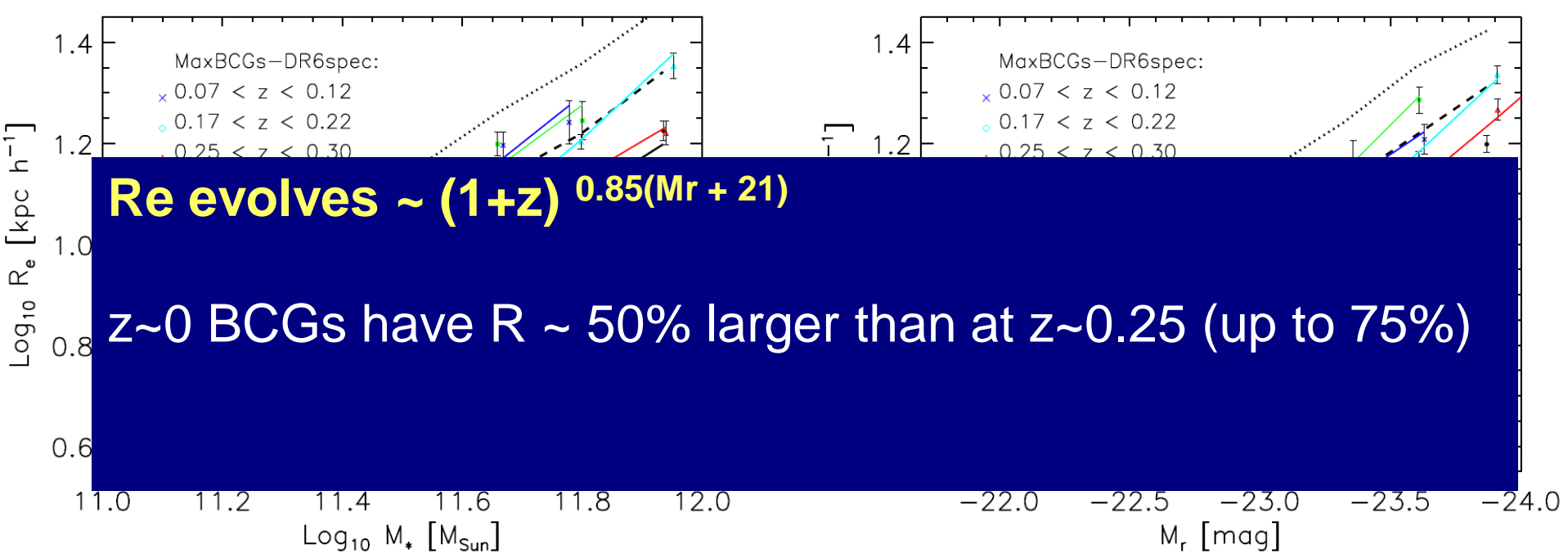
Oegerle & Hoessel 1991
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Lauer et al. 2007



Testing evolution







About BCGs ...

Need some *minor* mergers at low z !

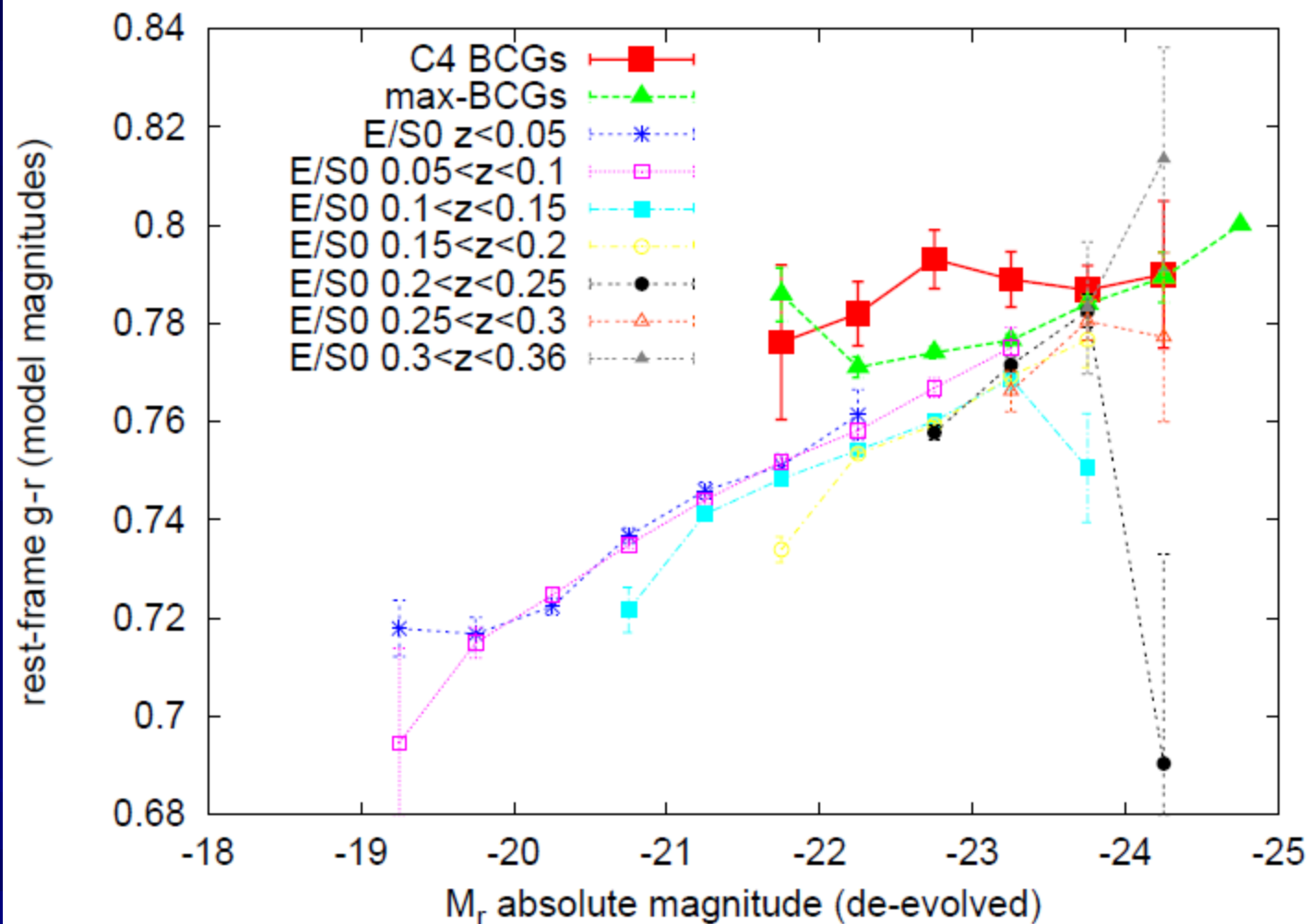
- -- increase in size more than mass and decrease σ
- -- some of the added stellar mass must make the ICL
(Skibba et al. 2007; Conroy et al. 2007)

Could explain the low (??) growth in M^* of massive red galaxies since $z \sim 0.8$

HOWEVER

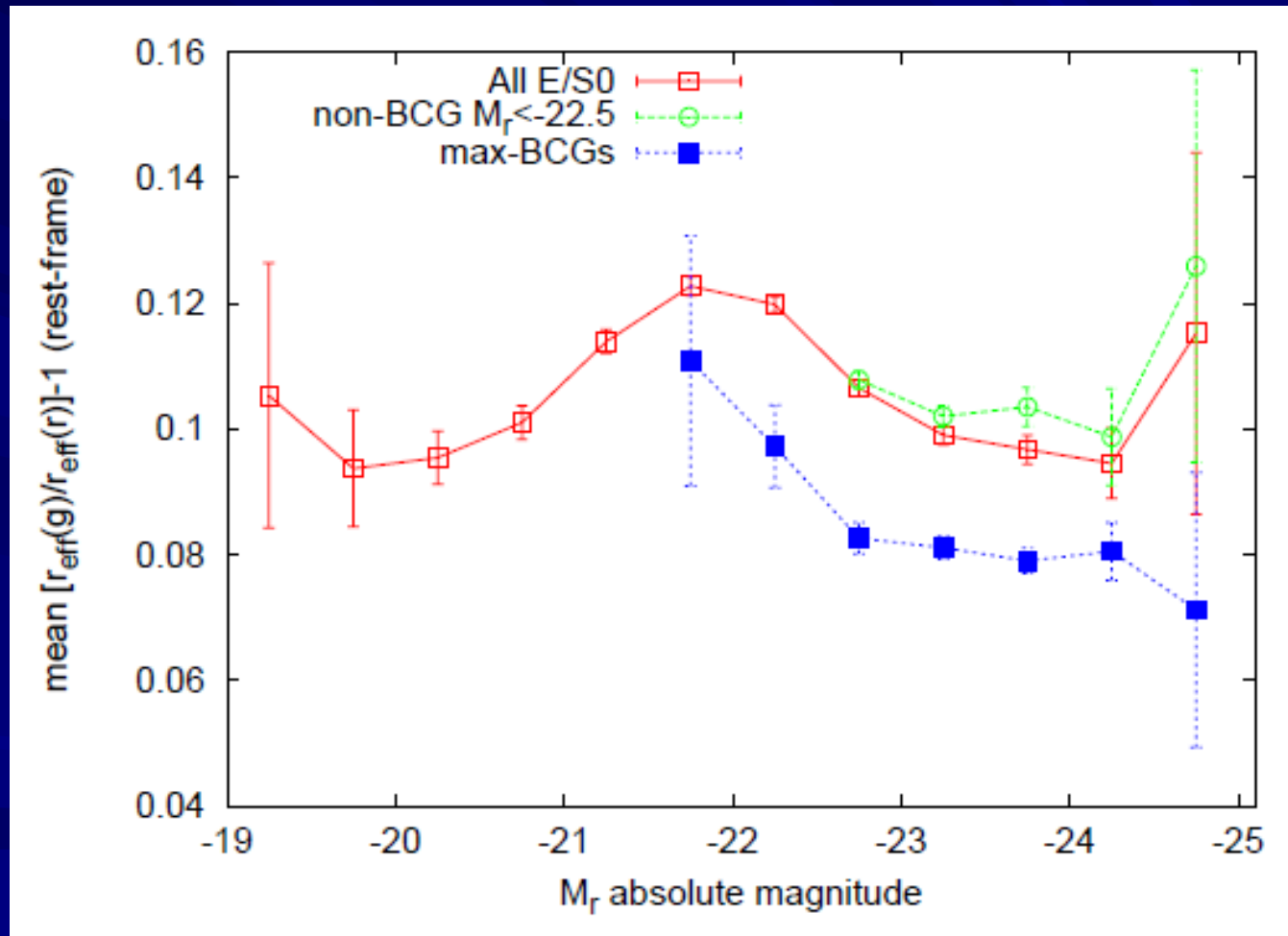
- We need to explain more properties

BGCs are redder



Roche, MB & Hyde 2010

BCGs have lower color gradients



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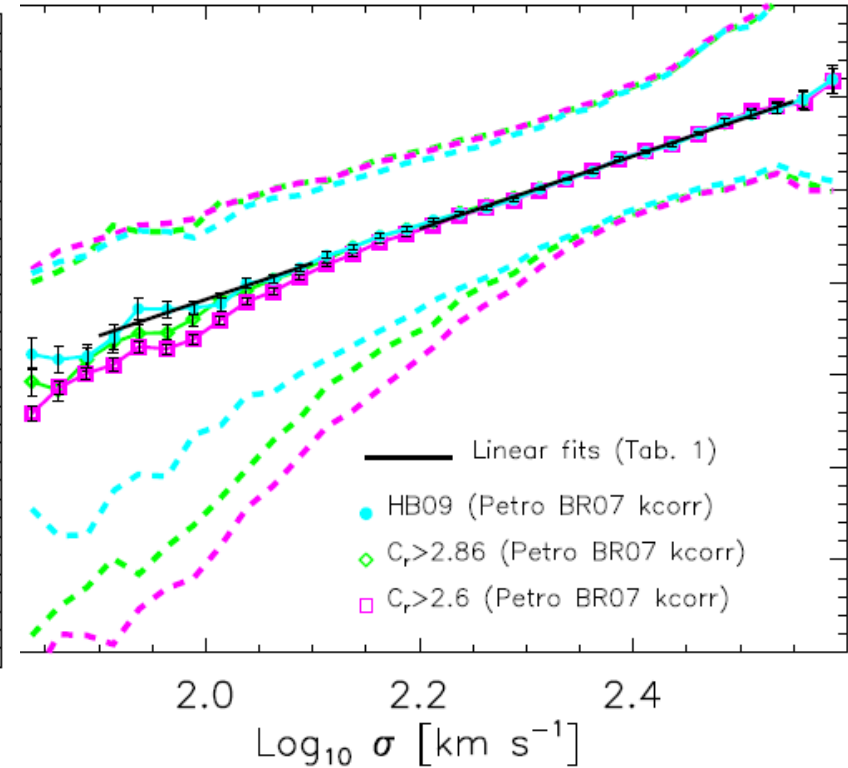
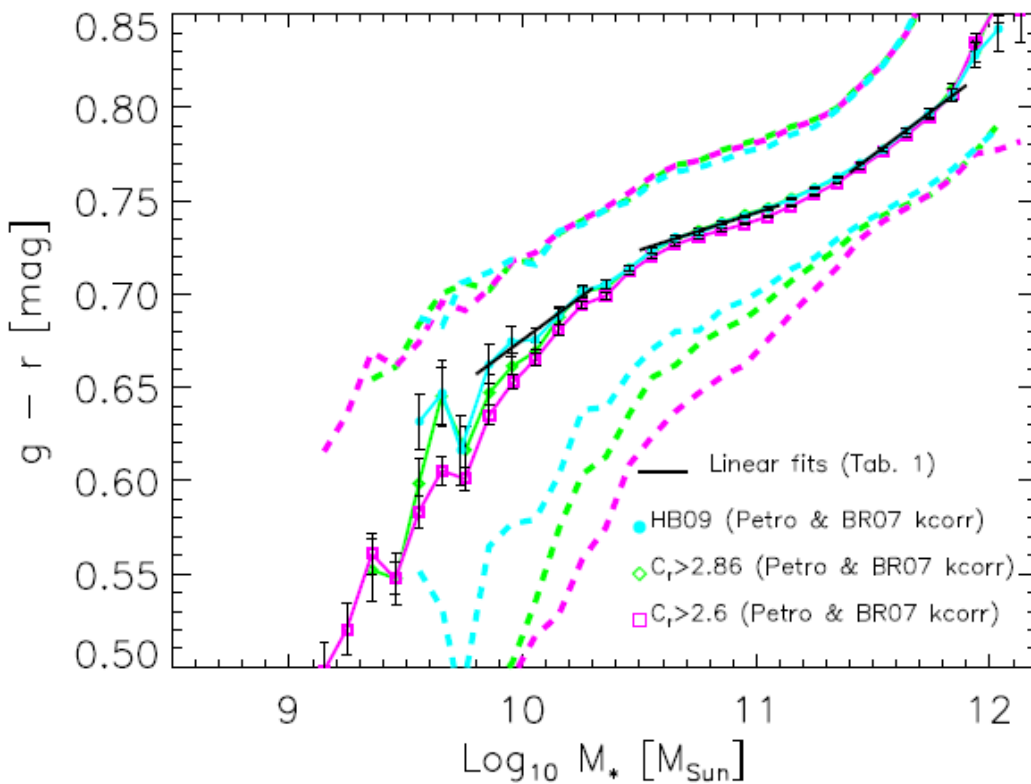
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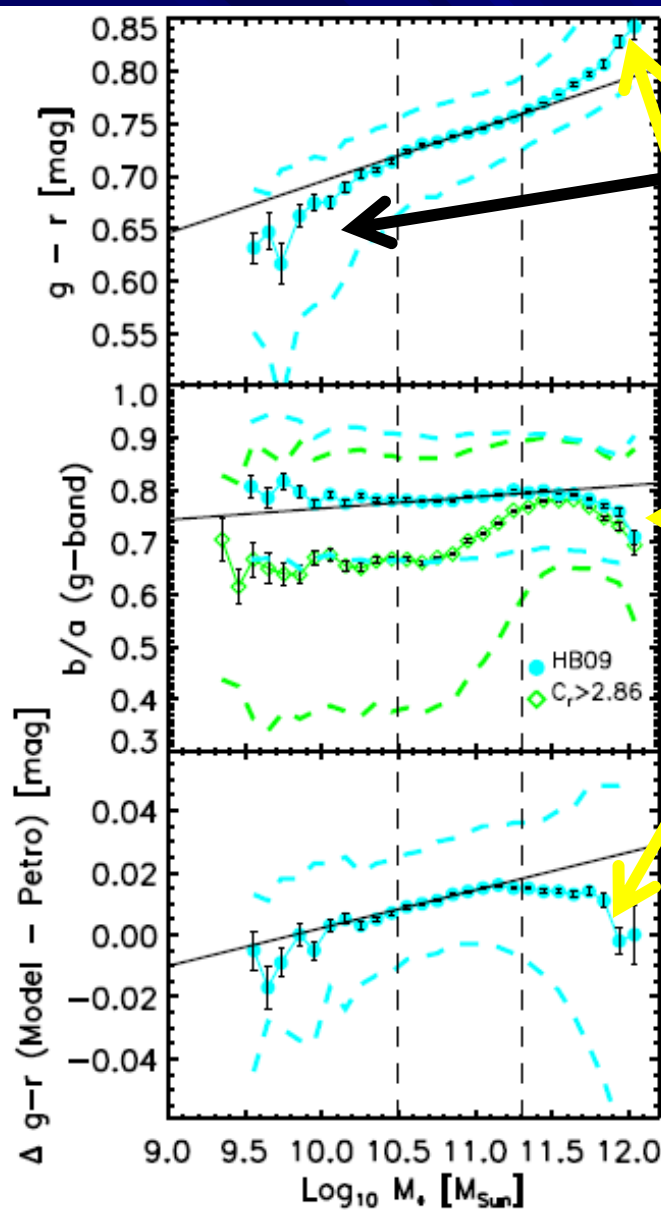
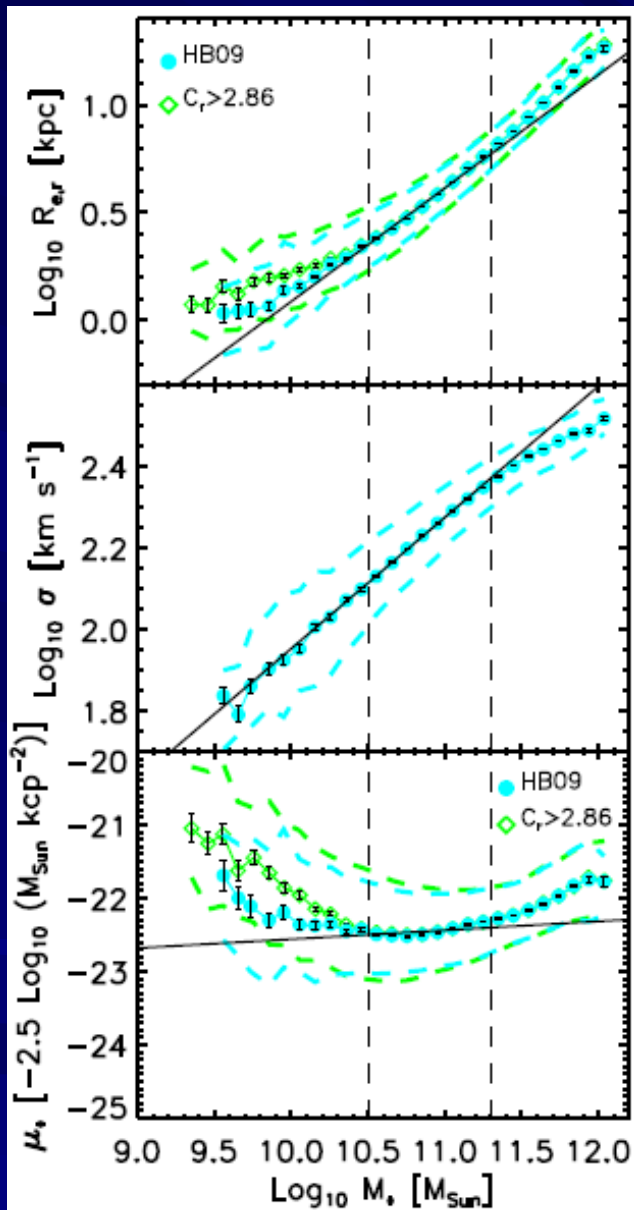
Curvature in the Color- M_* but Power Law for Color- σ



Bernardi et al. 2010b (arXiv/1005.3770)

Major dry mergers change M_* but not σ or color

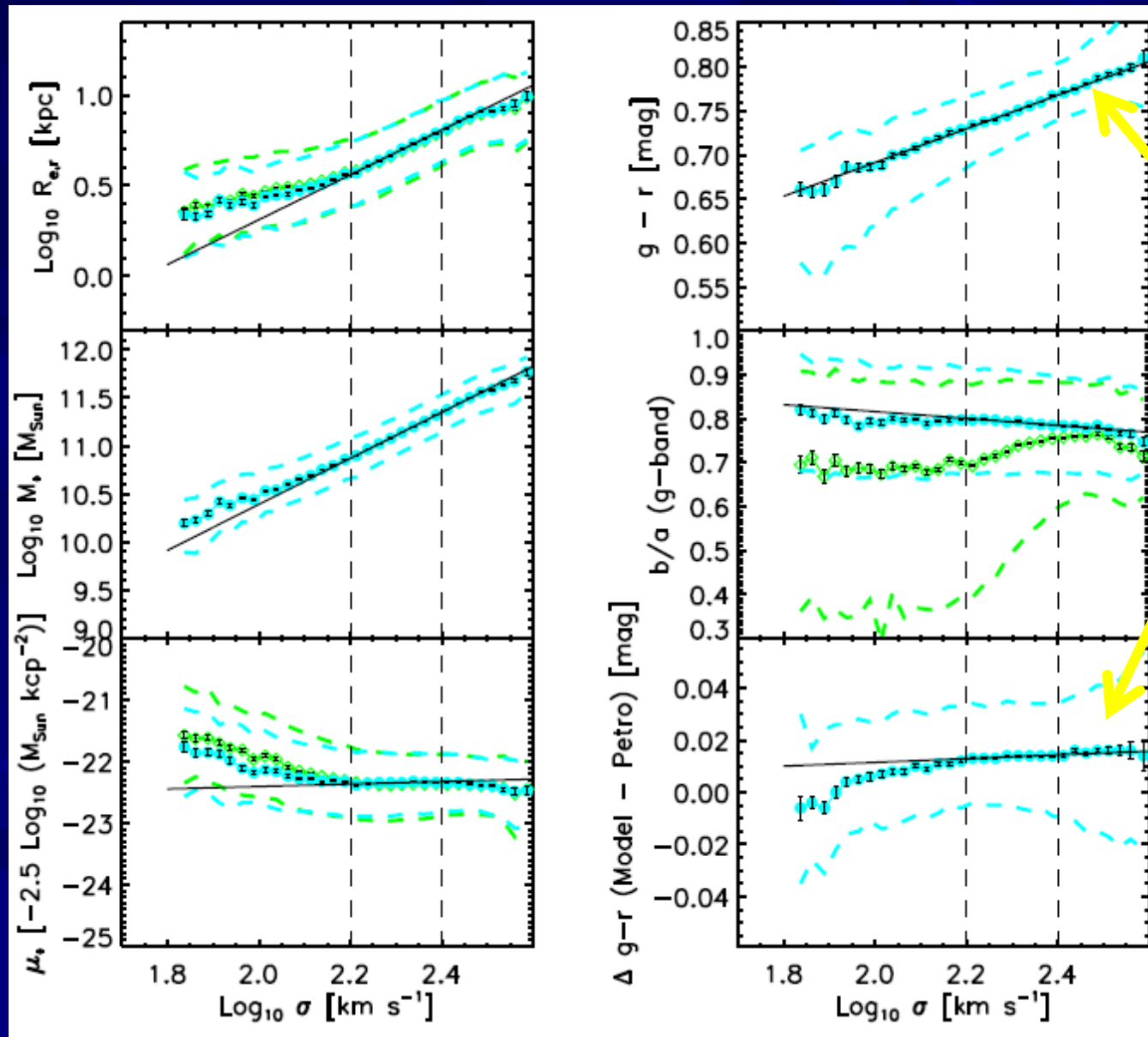
Impact of Major Dry Mergers at $M_* > 2 \times 10^{11}$



Wet mergers

Evidence of Major dry mergers

Less curvature with σ



About $M_* > 2 \times 10^{11} M_\odot \dots$


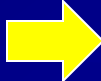
Need some *major* mergers at some high z !

- -- redder Color, lower b/a , lower Col. Gradients (M^*)
 - -- power law of Color- σ or Col. Gradients- σ
- +
- -- more room for evolution in the M_* function?

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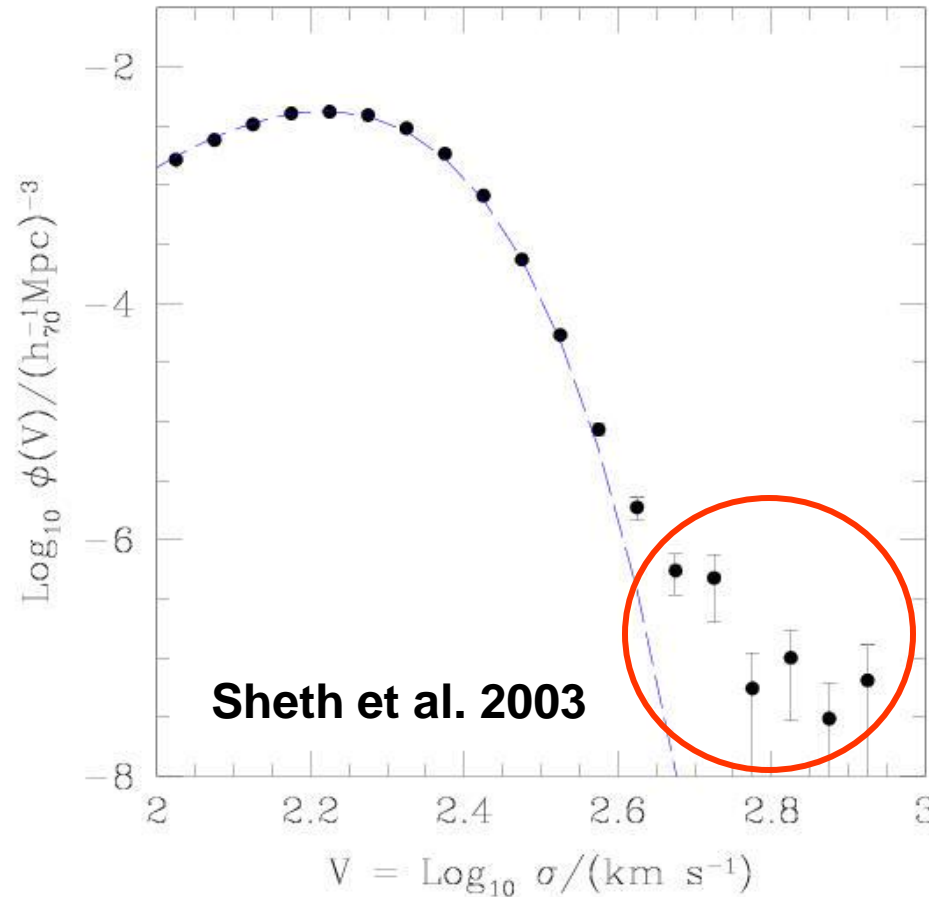
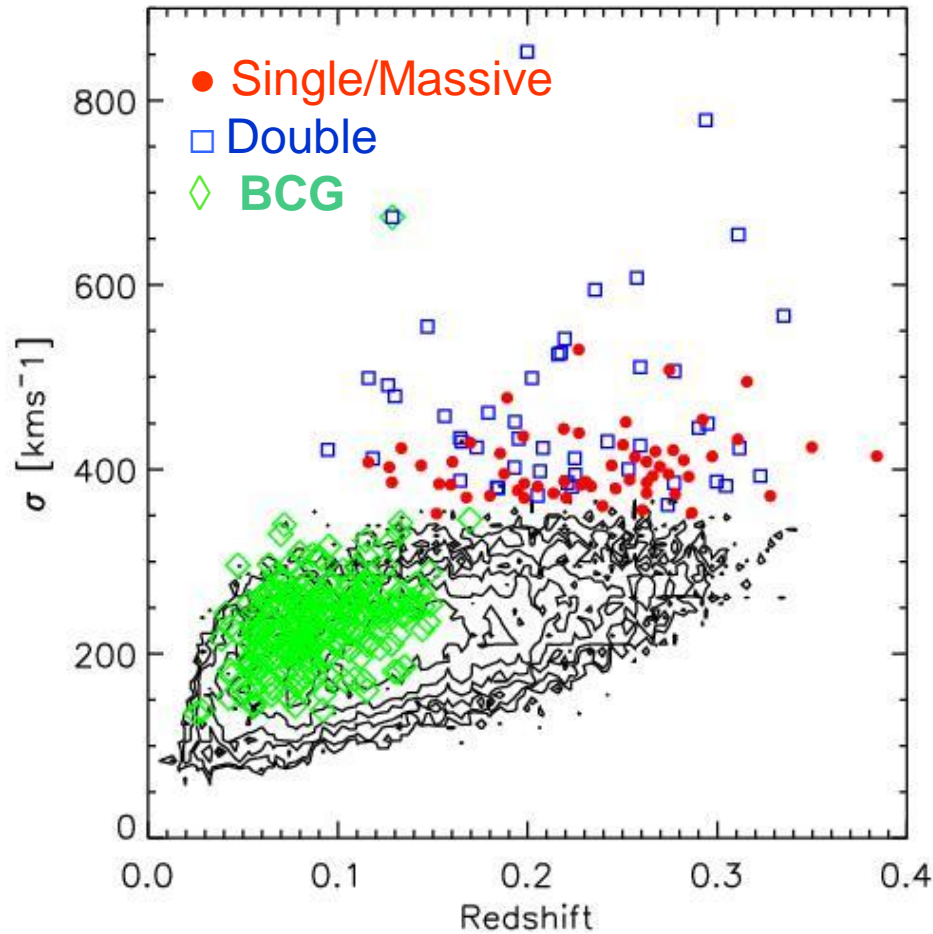
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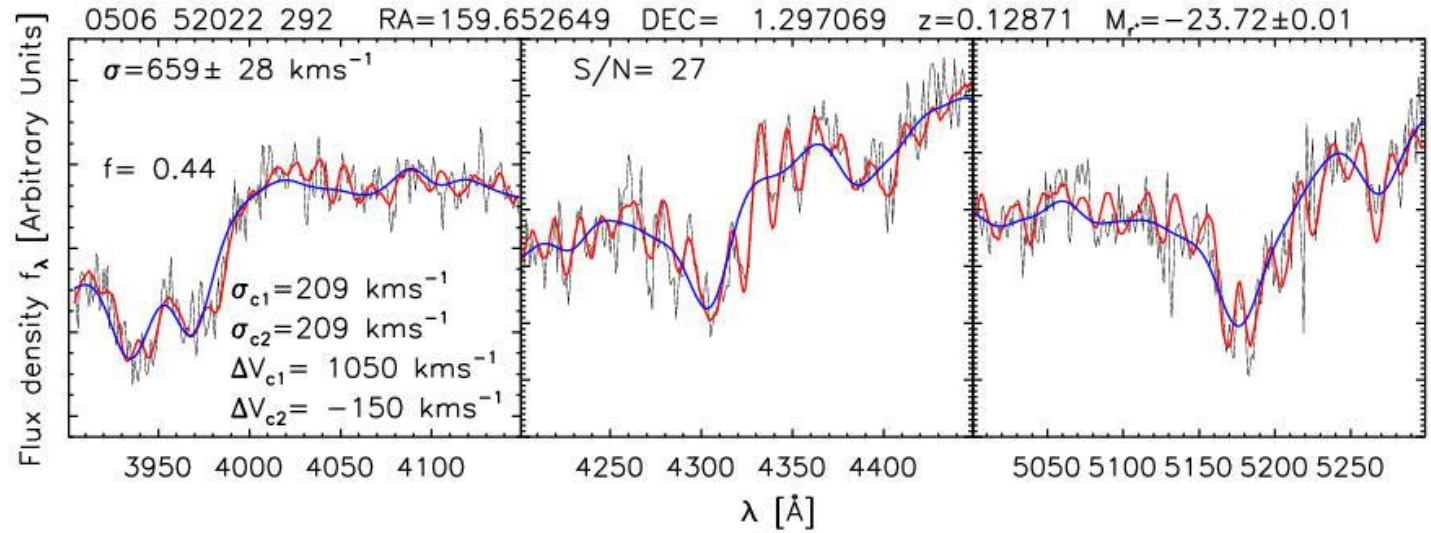
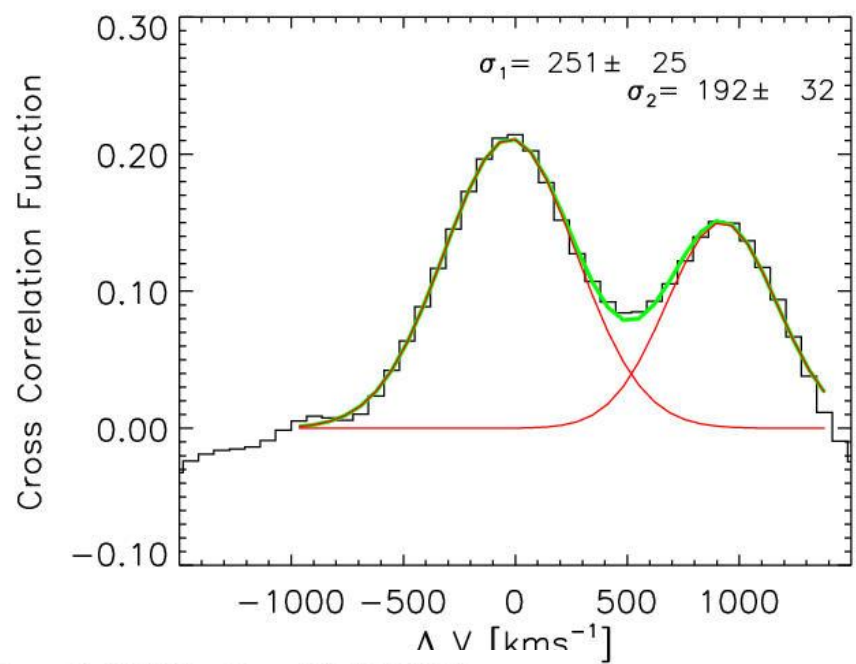
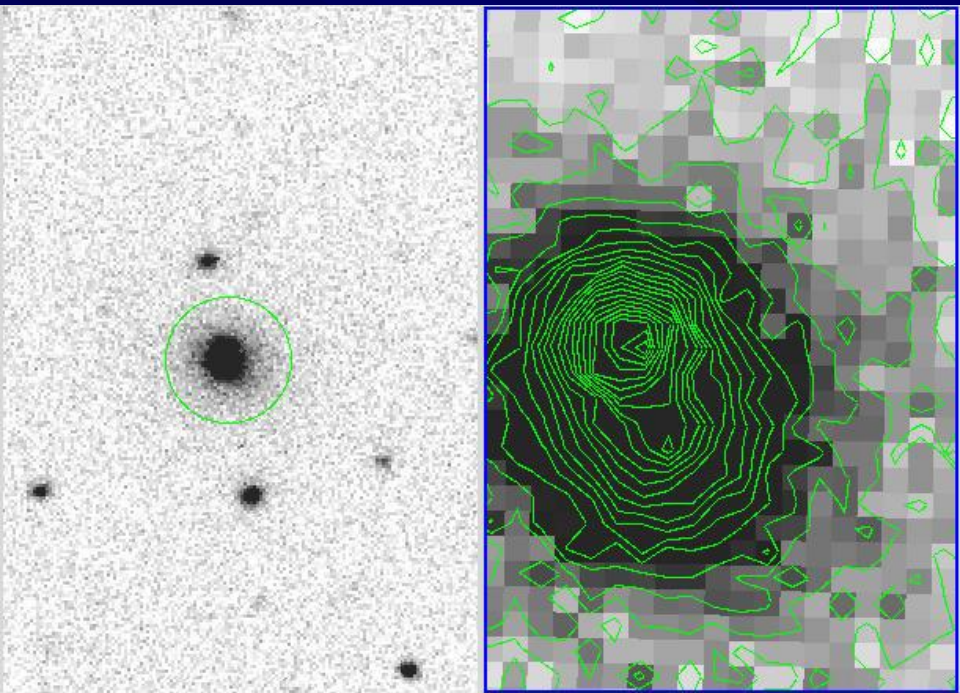
Another class of massive galaxies?

- Search SDSS for $\sigma > 350$ km/s
 - these host the most massive BHs
 - constraints on formation mechanism
(cooling cutoff)
- Eliminate superpositions on basis of images or spectra
 - expect 1/300 is superposition

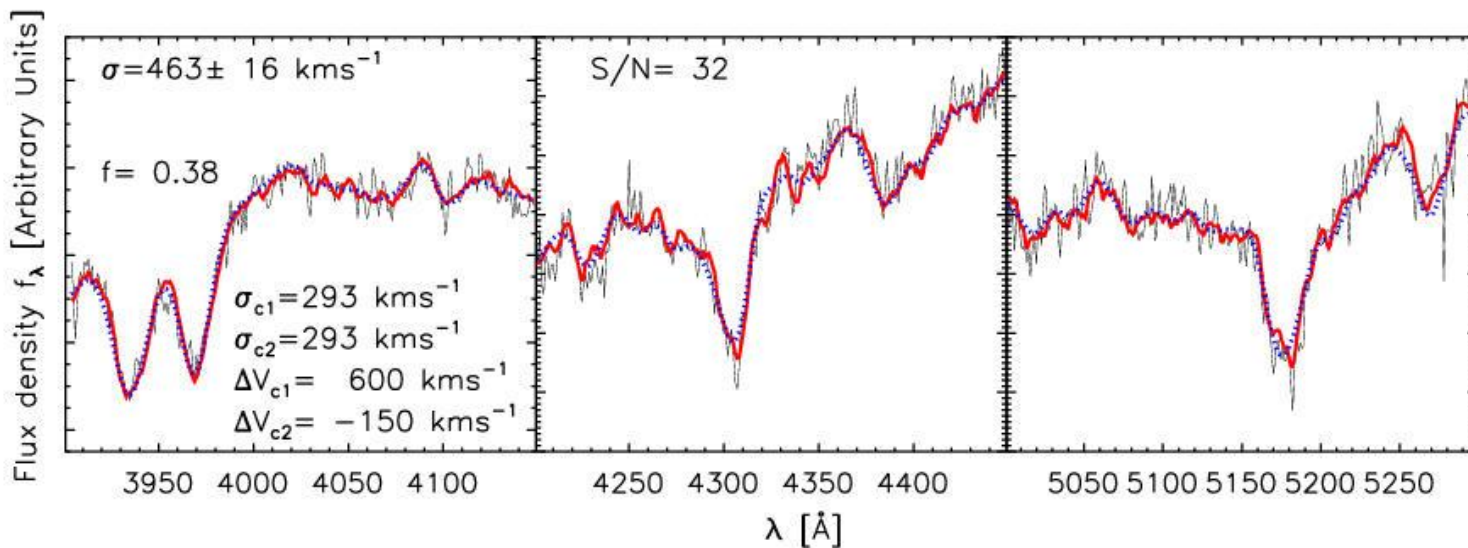
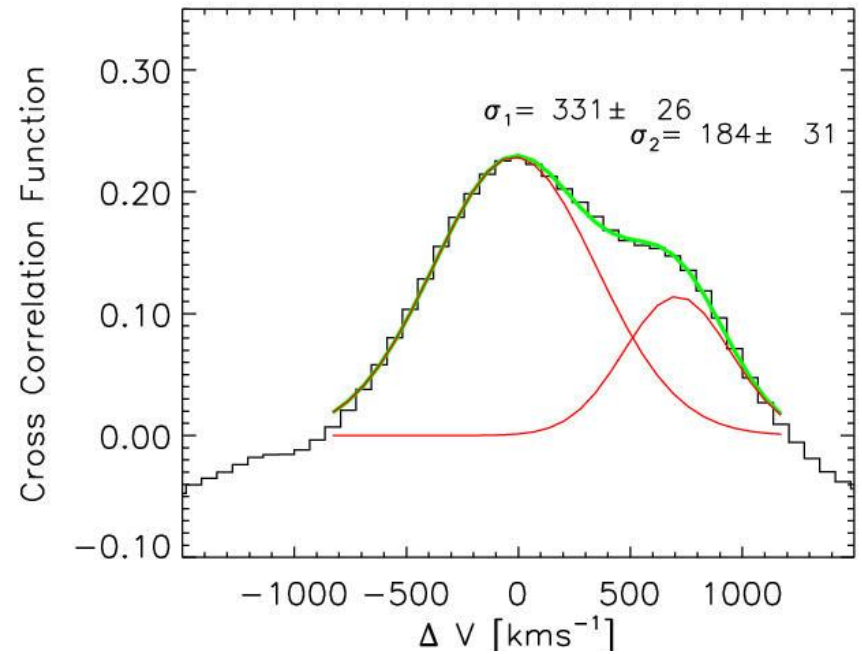
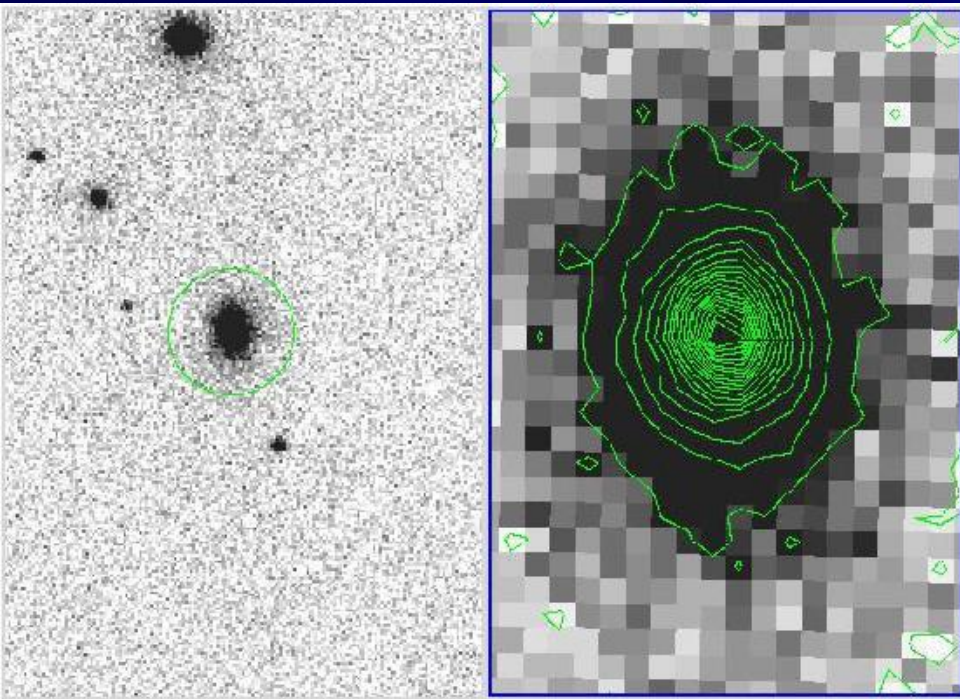
Galaxies with the largest velocity dispersion



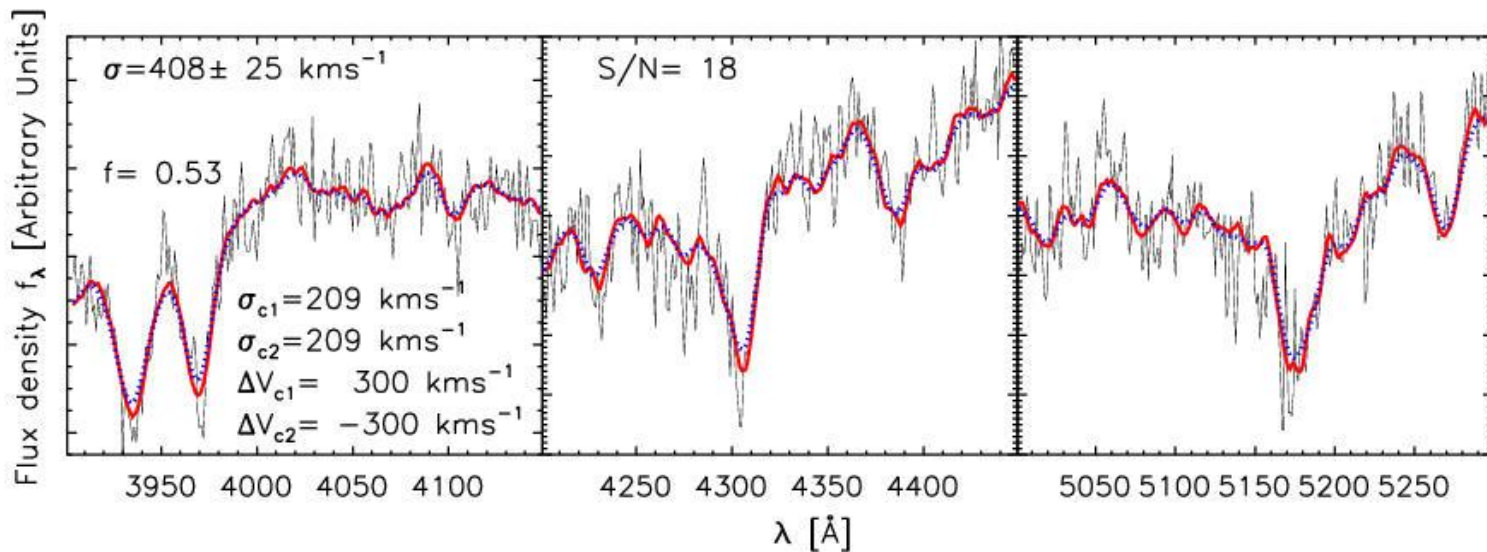
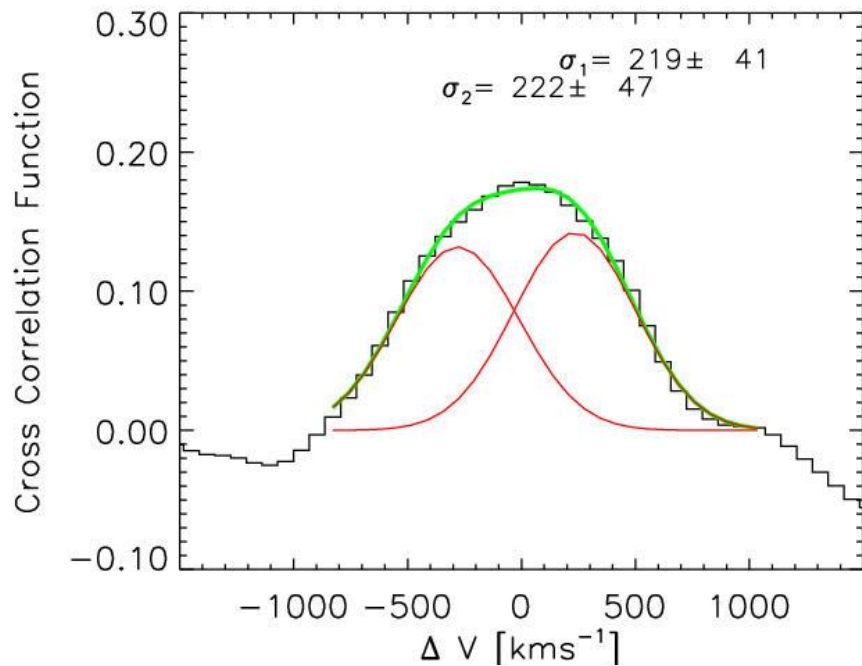
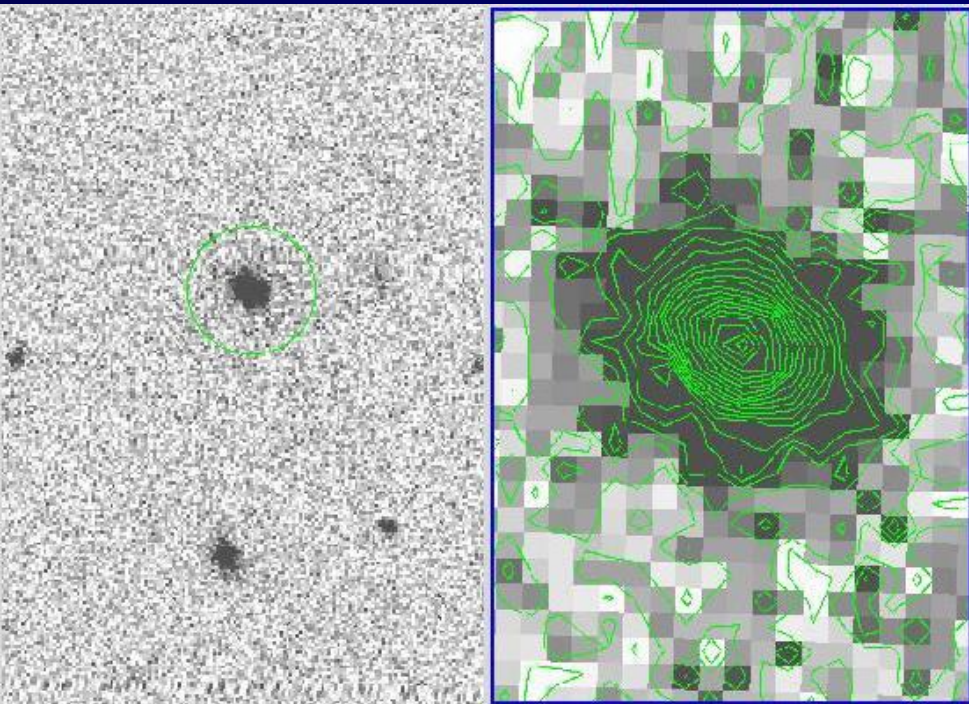
'Double' from spectrum and image



'Double' from spectrum, not image

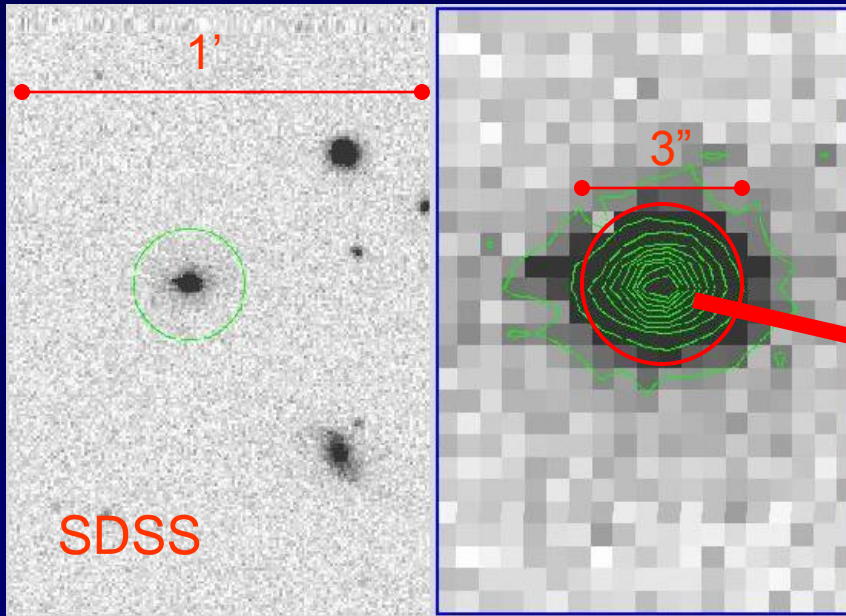


'Single?'

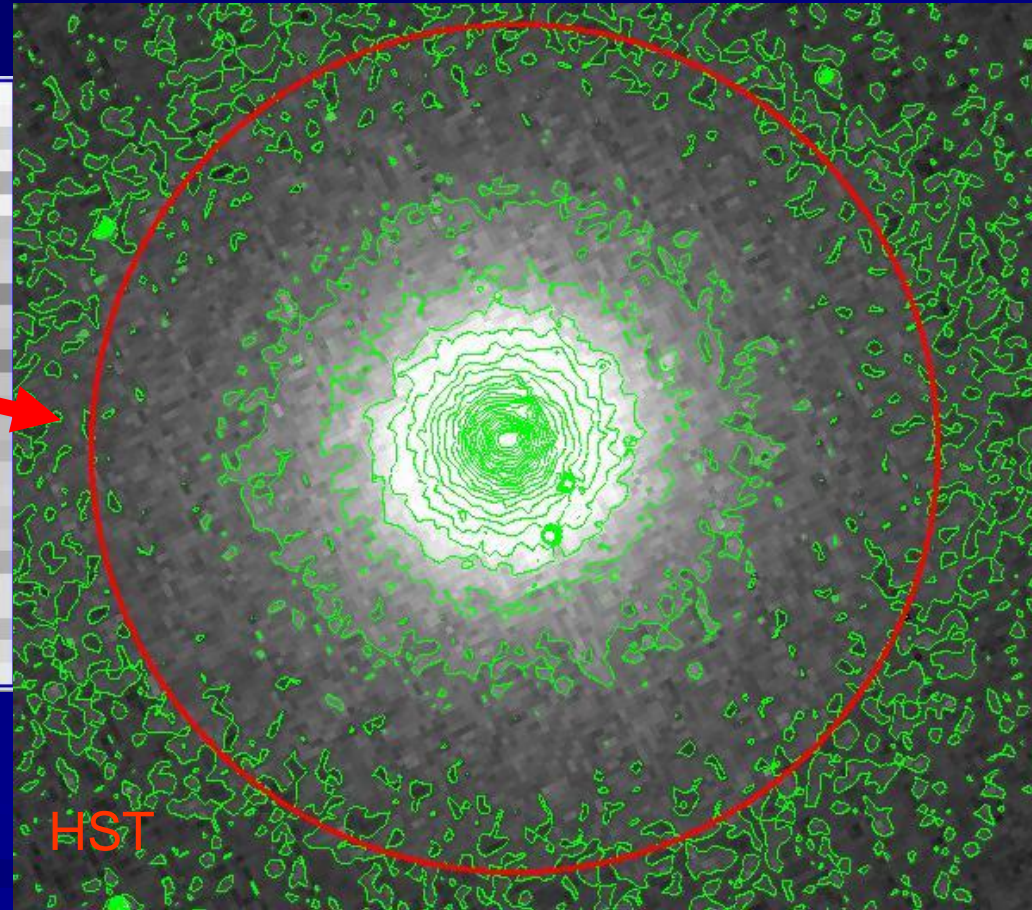


HST images: with ACS-HRC

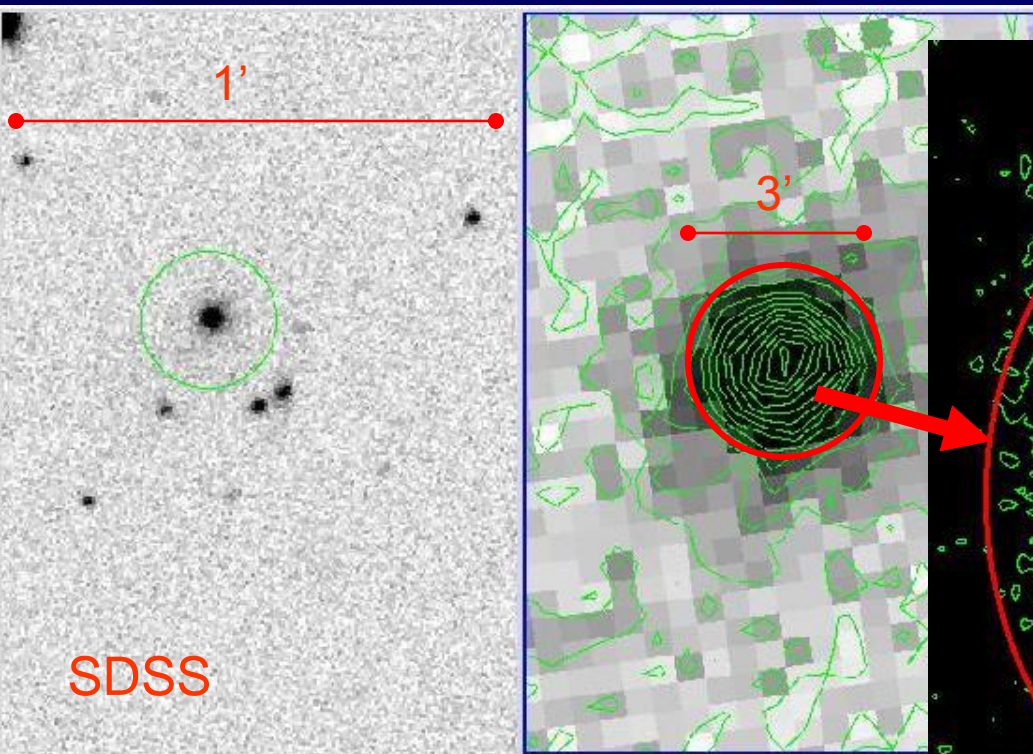
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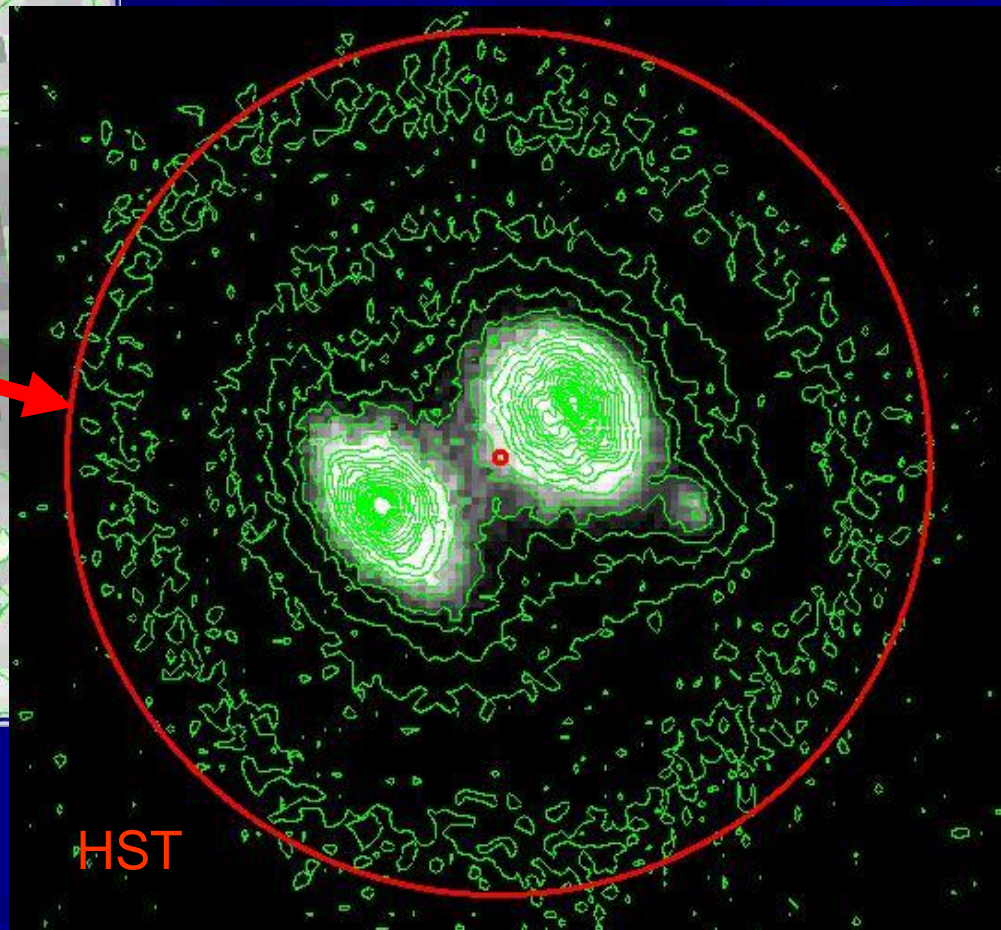
$\sigma = 412 \pm 27$ km/s

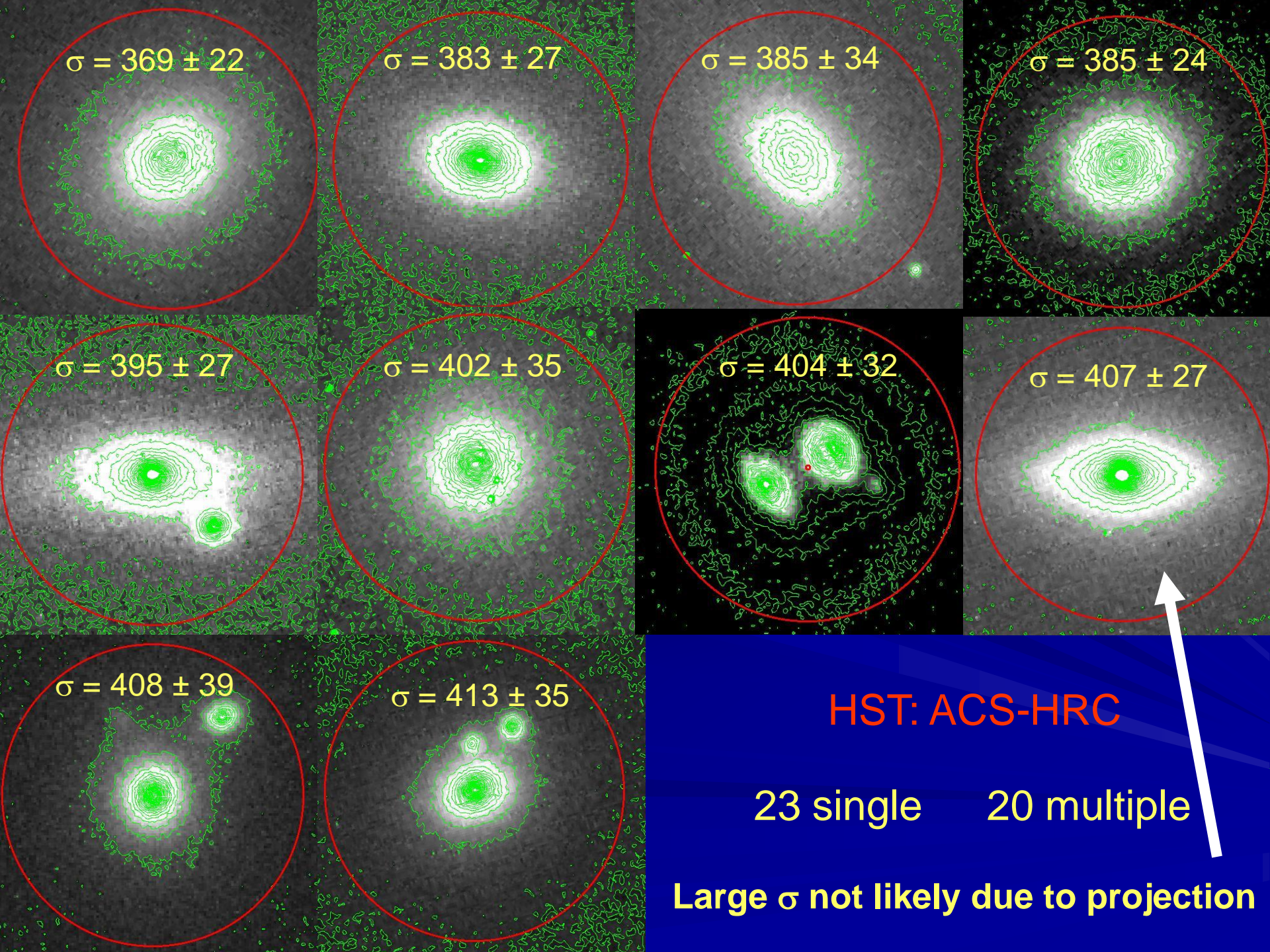


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$\sigma = 404 \pm 32 \text{ km/s}$



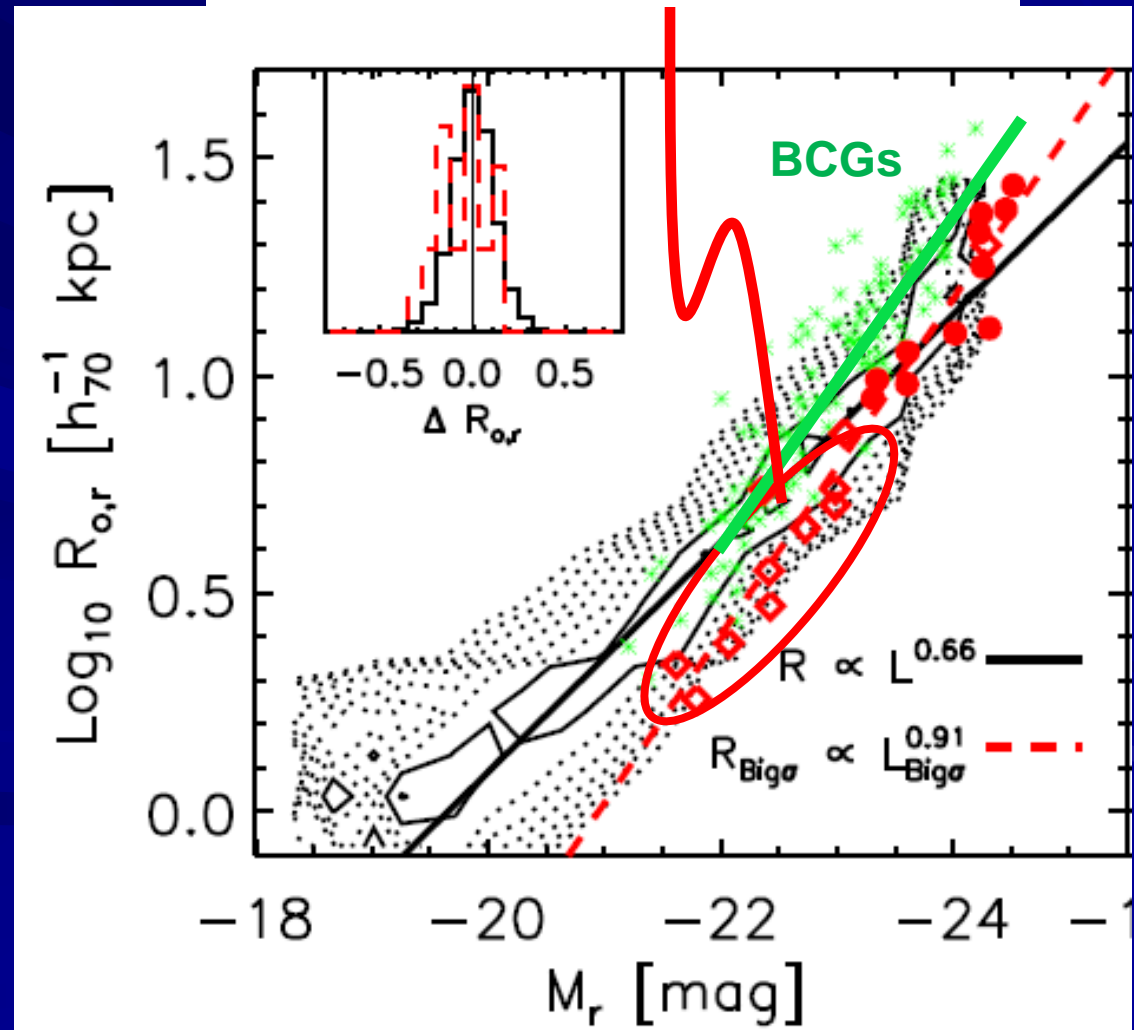


Luminosity-size relation

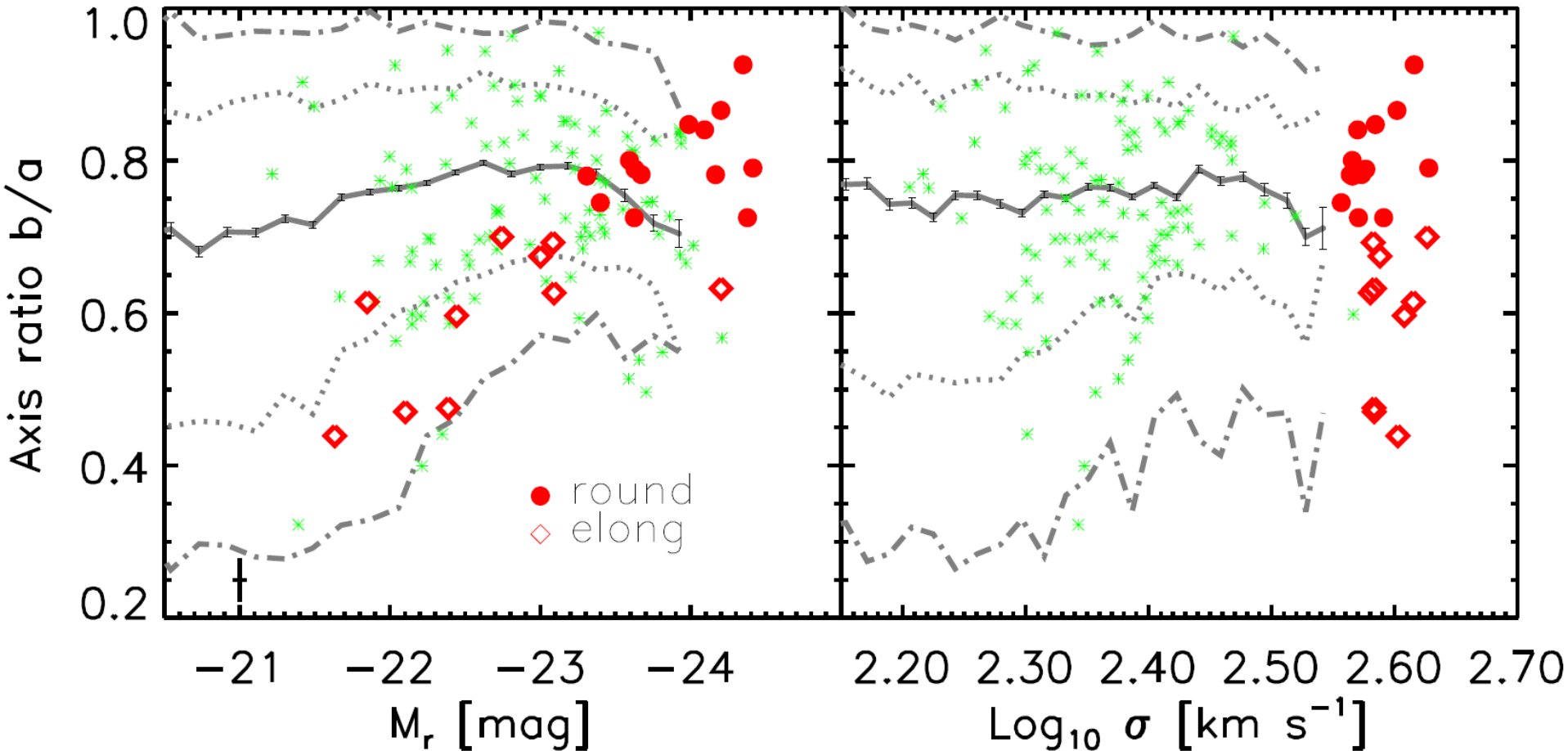
b/a < 0.7: rotation support?

Compared to BCGs, large σ sample has smaller sizes

Large σ from extreme dissipation?

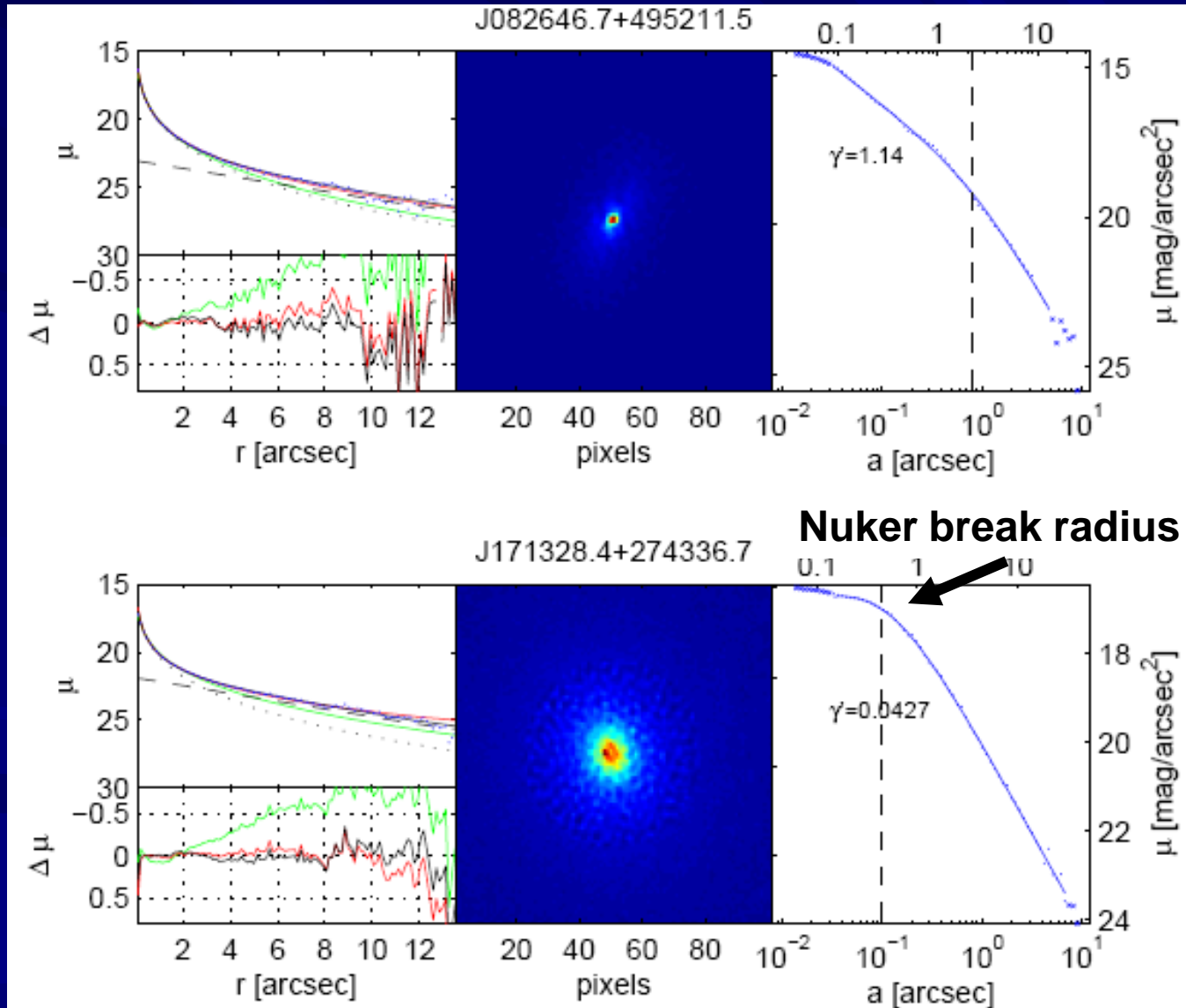


BCGs are less round; BigSigs are rounder!!

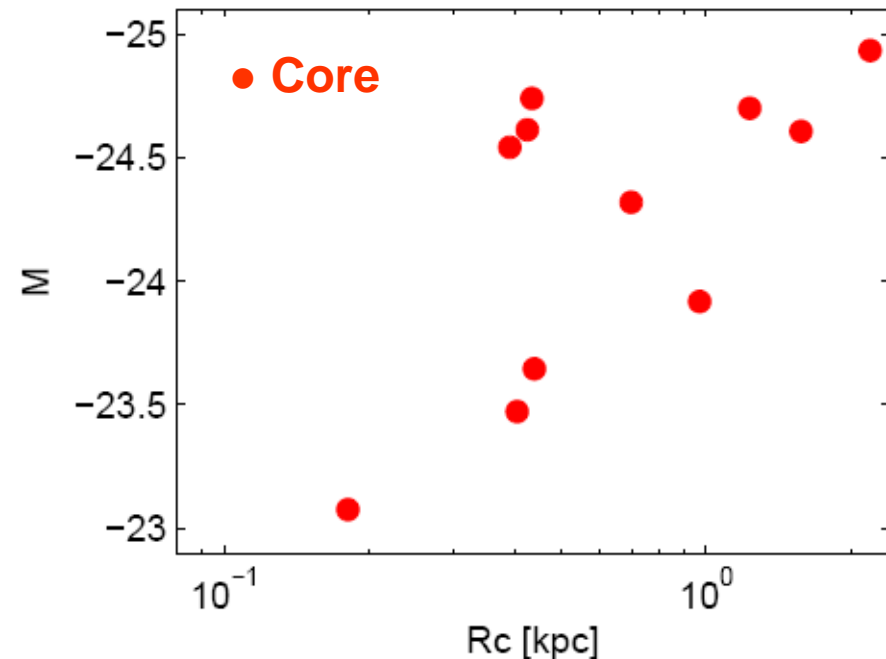
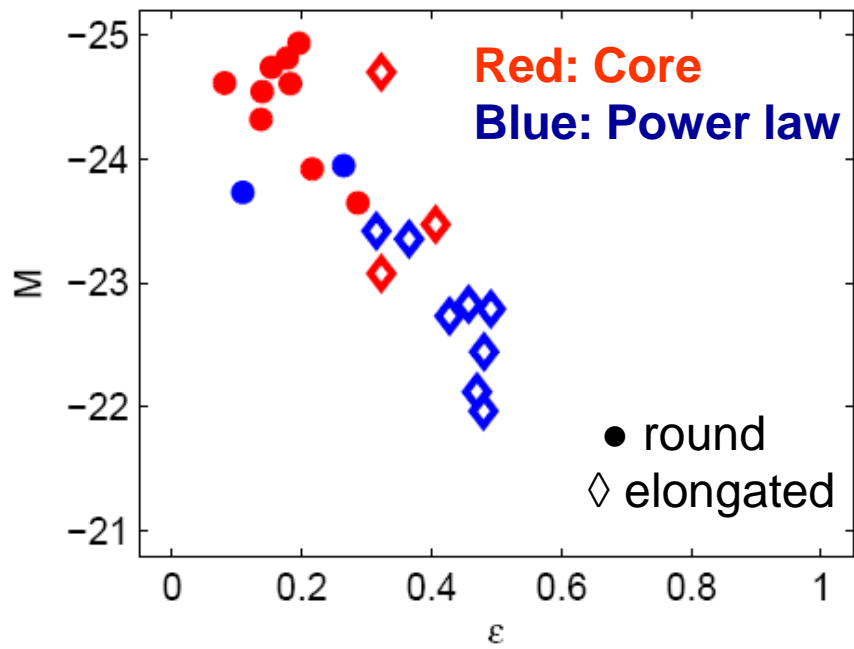
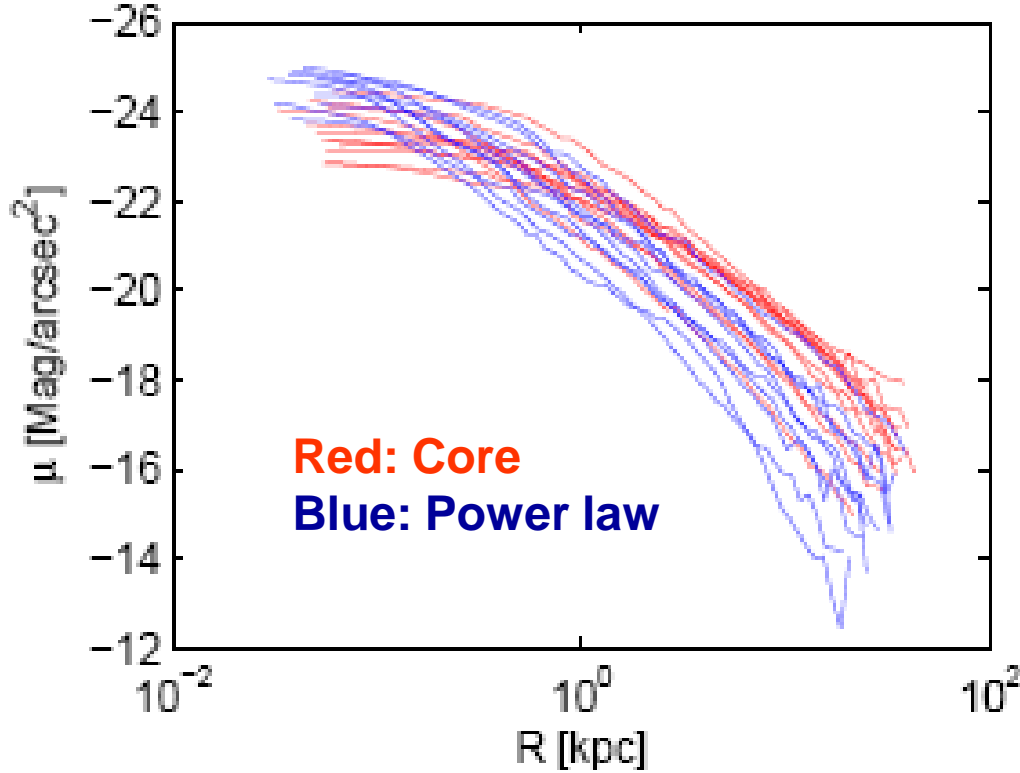


From the HST images we get more info

Hyde et al. 2008



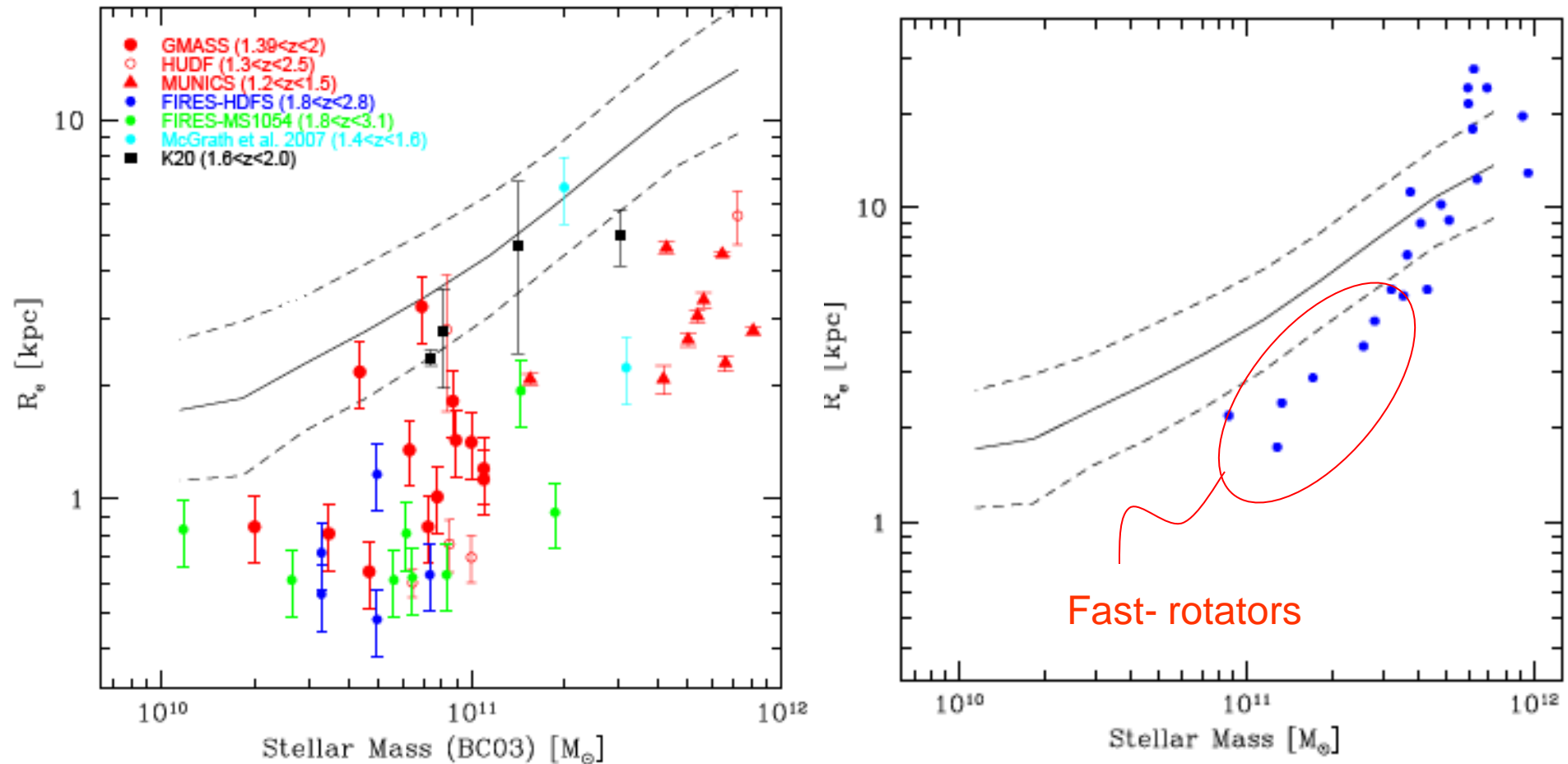
Hyde et al. 2008



About the smaller sizes at high- z

$z \sim 1.8$ $z \sim 0.2$

Cimatti et al. 2008



Conclusions

- BCGs have larger than expected sizes, smaller than expected σ , and decreasing b/a with L
- Detected BCGs size evolution at low z -- evolution in σ !
- Curvature in Color, b/a , Col. Grad. vs M_* relation but NOT vs σ at $M_* > 2 \times 10^{11} M_\odot$
 - Consistent with dry merger formation history
 - Most easily understood if massive early-types grew from *major mergers at some earlier time* while BCGs can have had more dry *minor mergers recently*
- BigSigs – two types:
 - $M_r < -23$ Prolate BCGs seen along the longer axis (core central profile)
 - $M_r > -23$ Fast rotators – extremely dense – red color & high Mg2 (power-law central profile)
 - > large amount of dissipation
 - > high metallicity & dust