

Studying high-redshift galaxies with WIRCAM in Extended GOODS-N

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Deep CFHT/WIRCam J & Ks Imaging

- A Taiwan/Canadian (+ public data taken by Cowie et al.) project carried out over 2006-2010, with 62 hours of WIRCAM

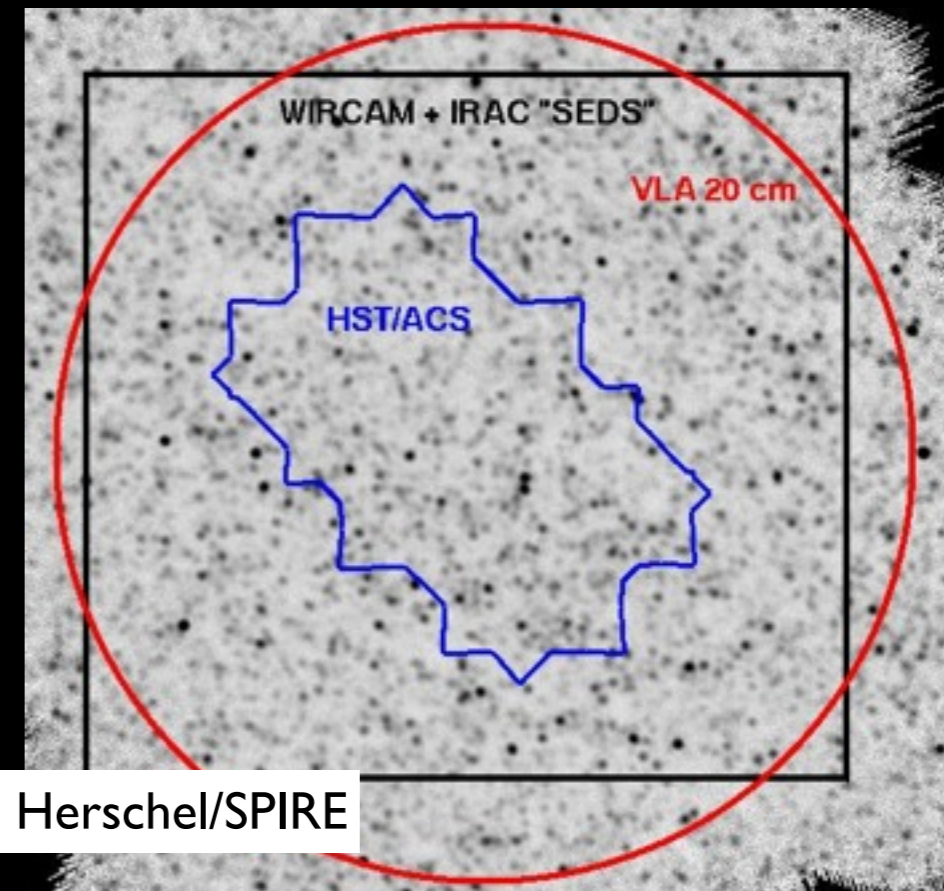
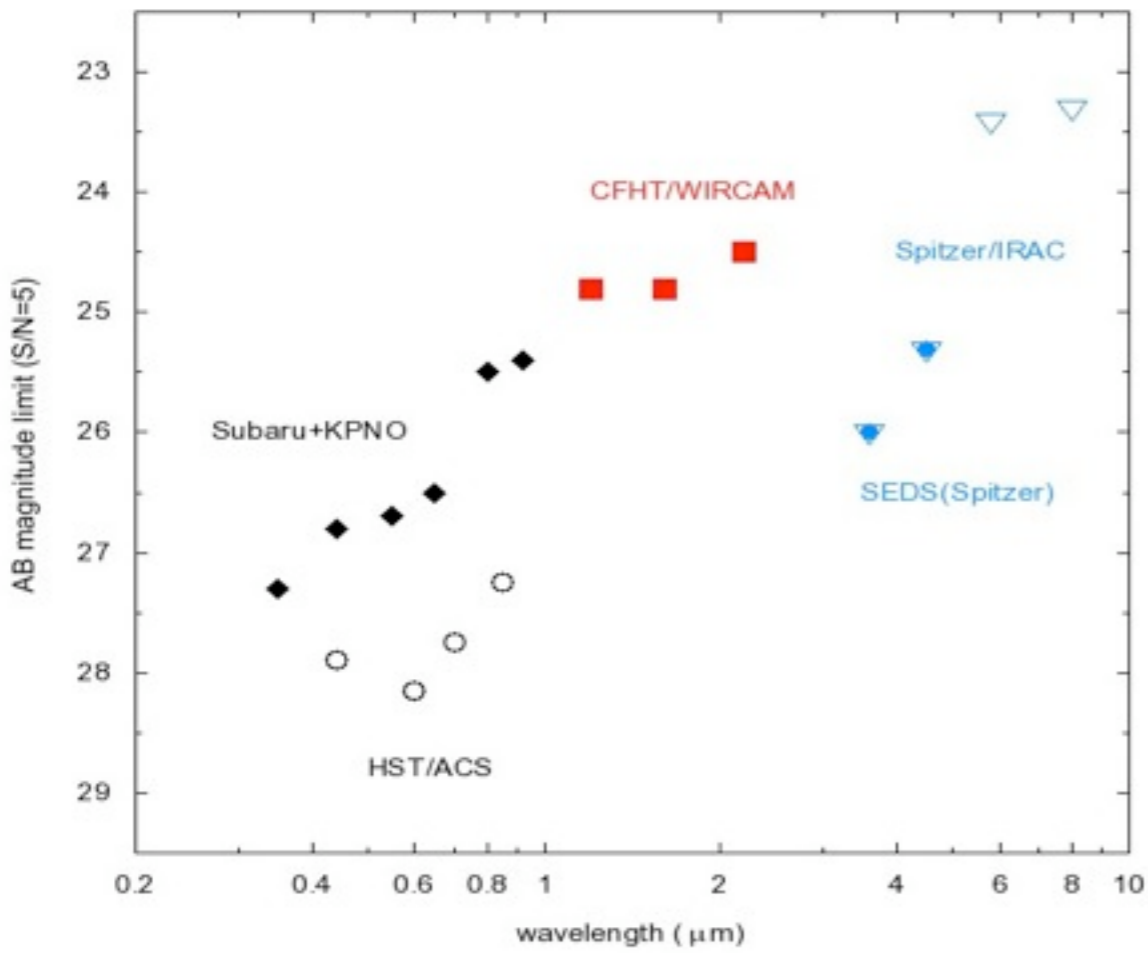
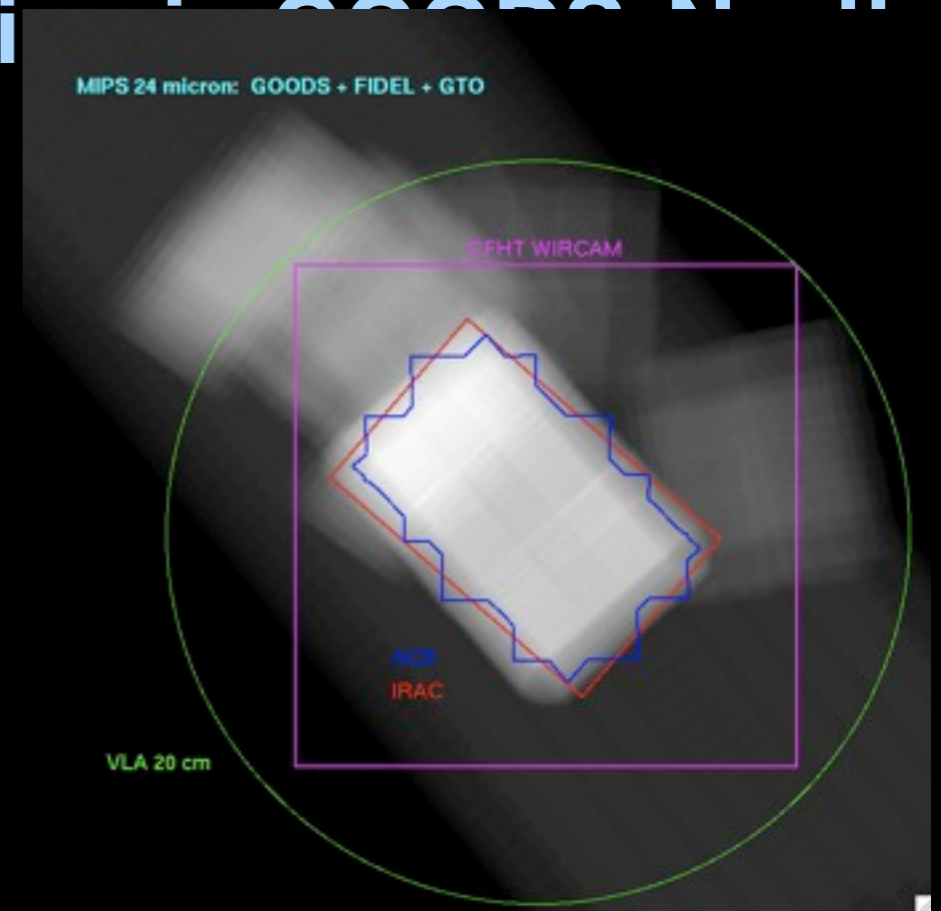
- Survey depth:

J ~ 25.0 (AB, 5-sigma, 2" aperture)
 K ~ 24.5 (AB, 5-sigma, 2" aperture)
 0.5 x 0.5 deg² each
H-band imaging is being proposed

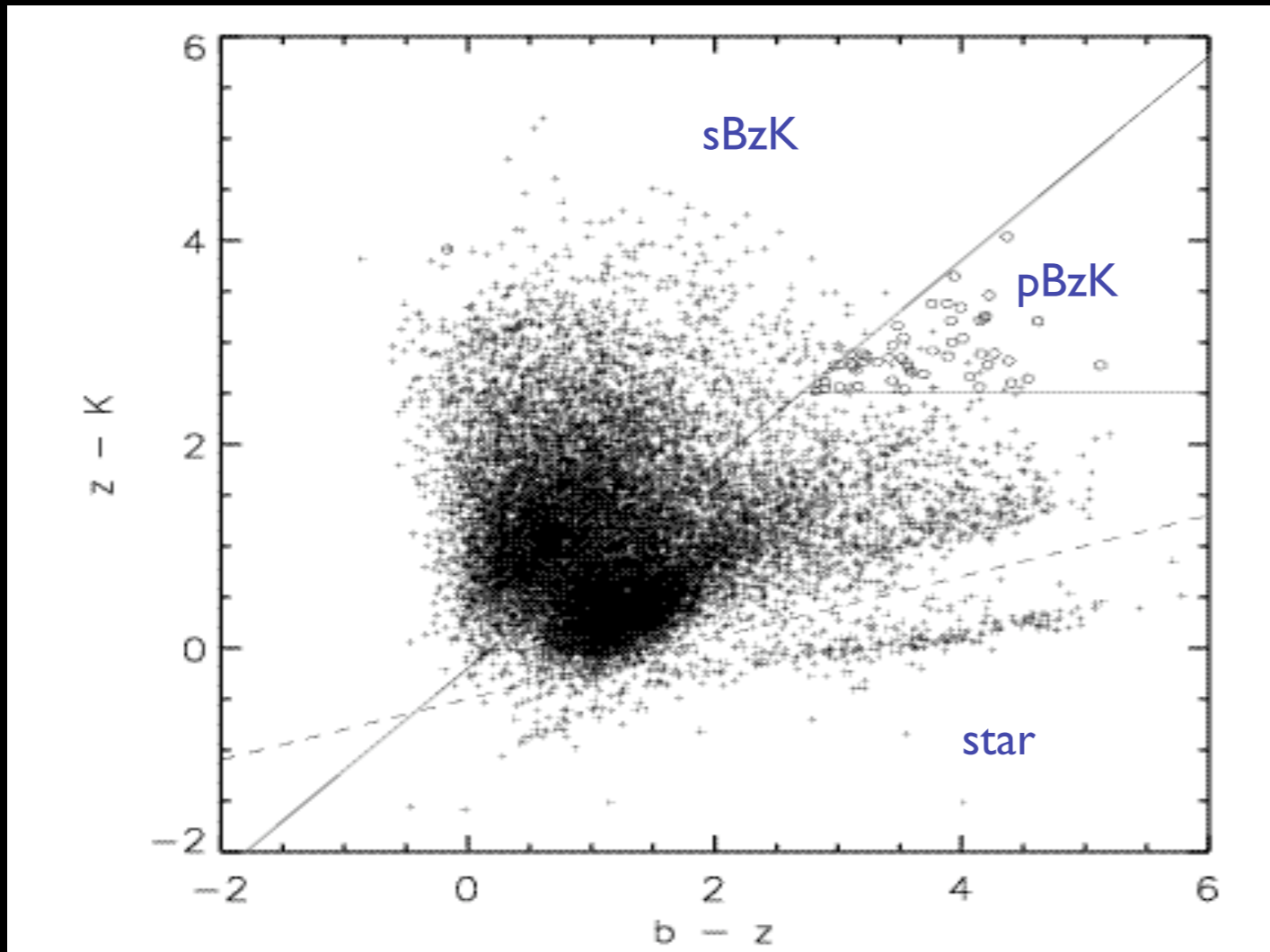
- Overlapped entirely with Spitzer Warm Mission project "SEDs" and GOODS-Herschel SPIRE coverage.

- Sciences:

z > 7 galaxies (Yan+ in prep; Lin+ in prep)
 Bzk-selected galaxies (Lin+ in prep)
 Dusty starburst galaxies (Pope et al. 08)
 LBGs (Younger et al. 07)



BzK –selected galaxies at $1.4 < z < 2.5$



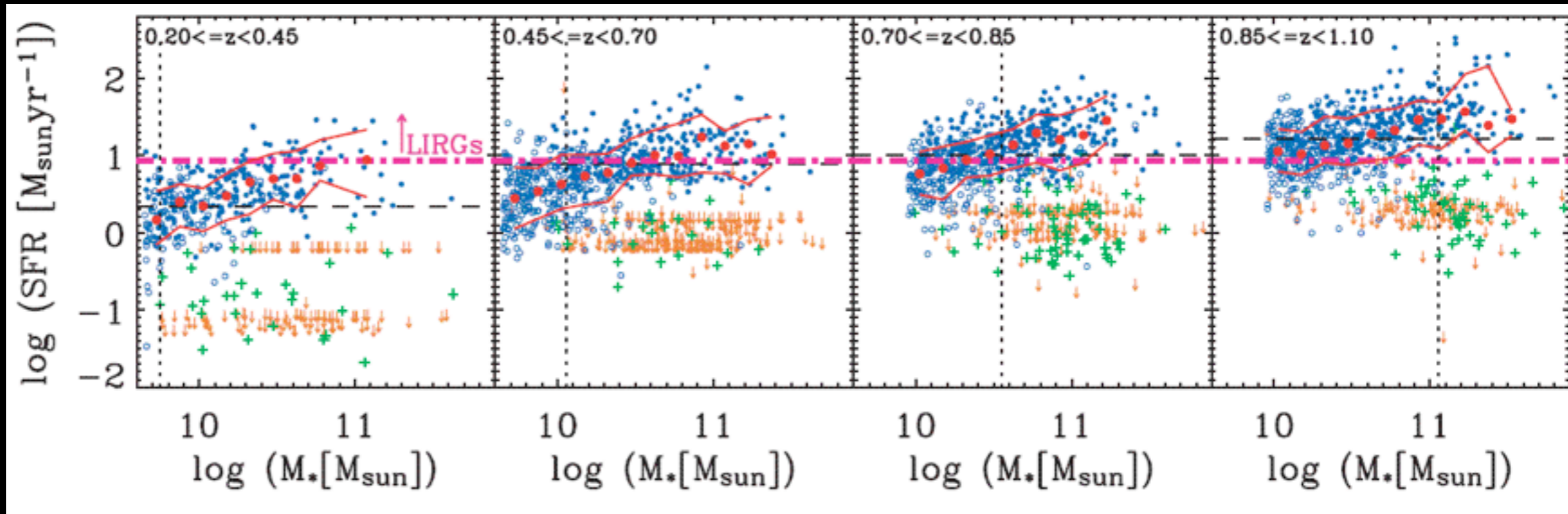
- Filter used: ACS/F435 (b), ACS/F850 (z), WIRCAM (K)
- Sample Size down to $K_s \sim 24.0$ (AB):
 - -7339 (star-forming bzKs)
 - -70 (passive bzKs)
 - -703 (un-classified bzKs)
 - -7348 (non-bzks)
 - -448 (stars)

- Deep IRAC: robust measurement of stellar masses using rest-frame 1.6 micron fluxes
- Multi-wavelength data: photometric redshift
- Deep b, z and K data: allow for selection of faint BzK samples and estimates of UV extinction-corrected SFR

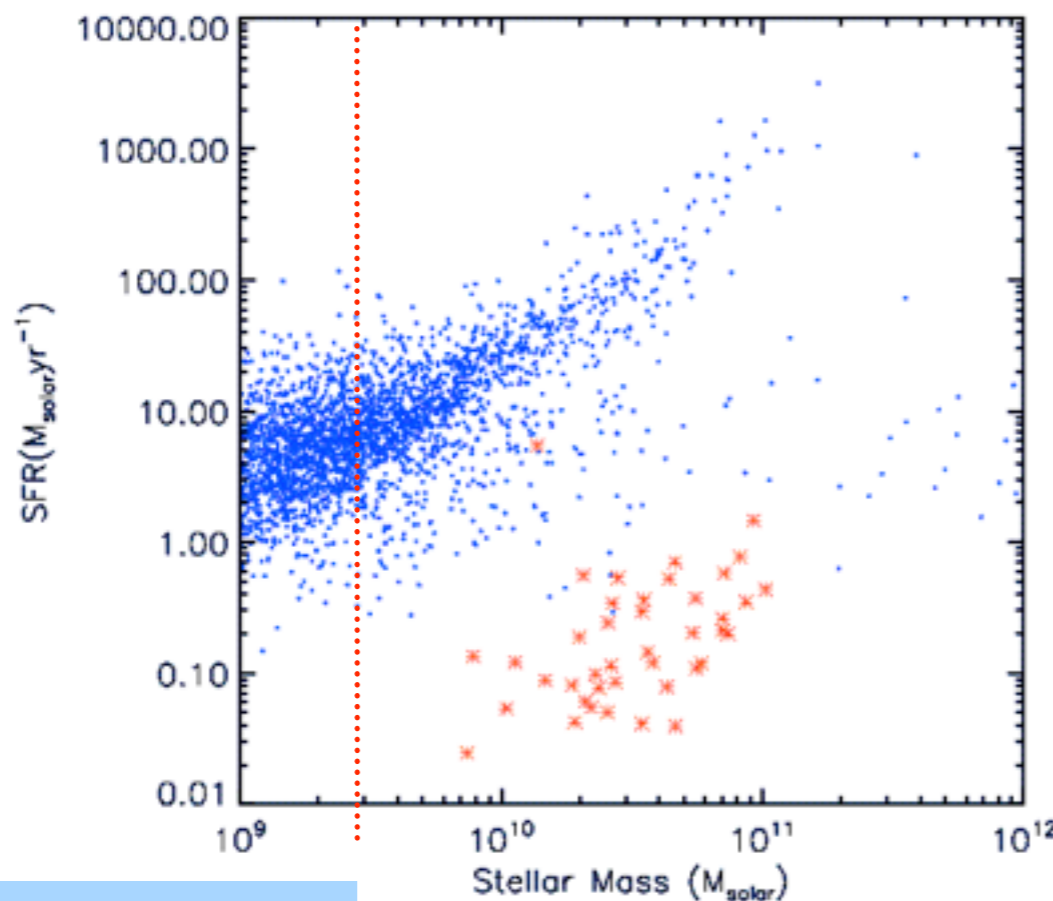
Star formation rates of star-forming BzKs

Noeske+07a; Elbaz+07; Daddi+07

$0 < z < 1$



$z \sim 2$

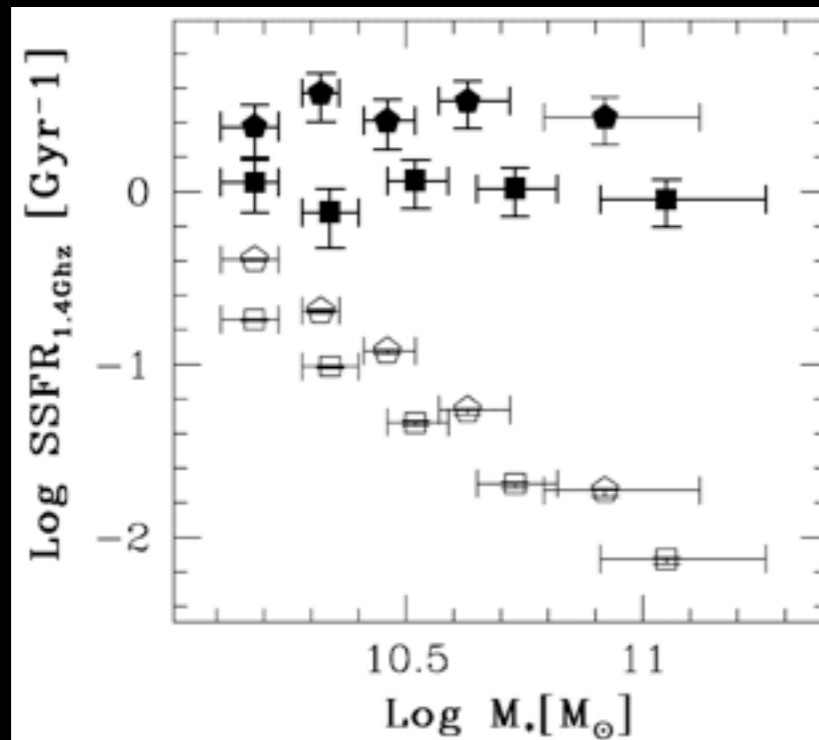


Lin+ in prep.

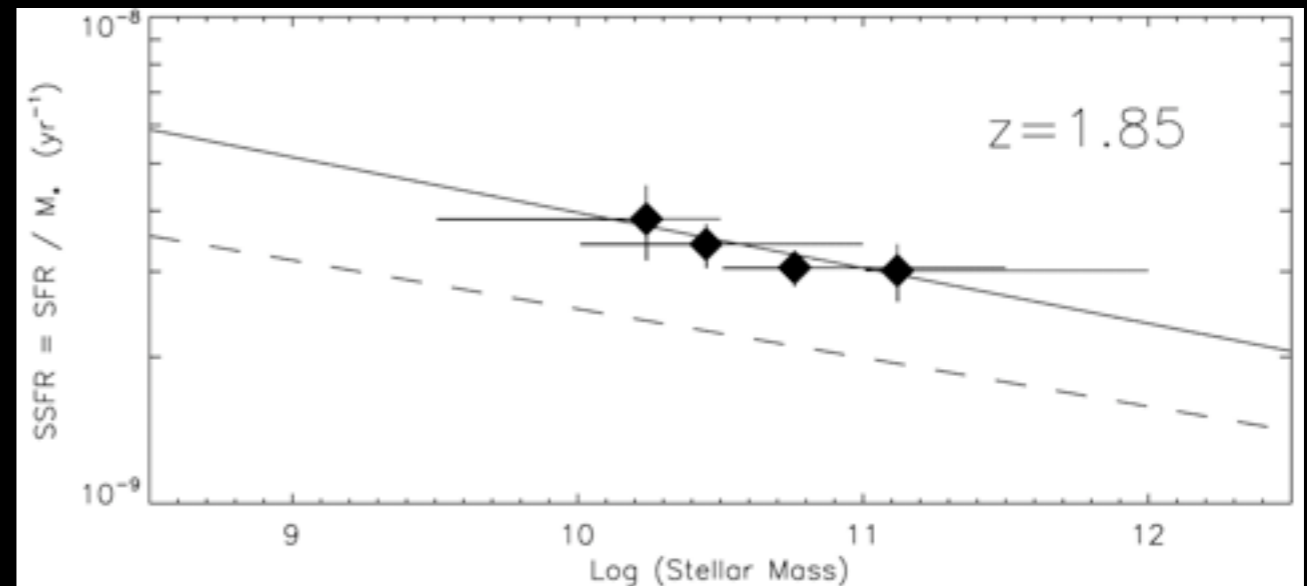
- The star forming Main Sequence (MS) exists at $z \sim 2$ as well.
- $\sim 40\%$ of star-forming BzK galaxies brighter than $K > 24.0(AB)$ have $SFR > 10 M_{\odot}/yr$
- At a given stellar mass, the SFR at $z \sim 2$ is $3x-10x$ that at $z \sim 1$, and $15x-30x$ that at $z \sim 0$
- Low stellar mass system has a broader range of SFR compared to more massive galaxies.

Specific-SFR vs Stellar Mass for BzKs

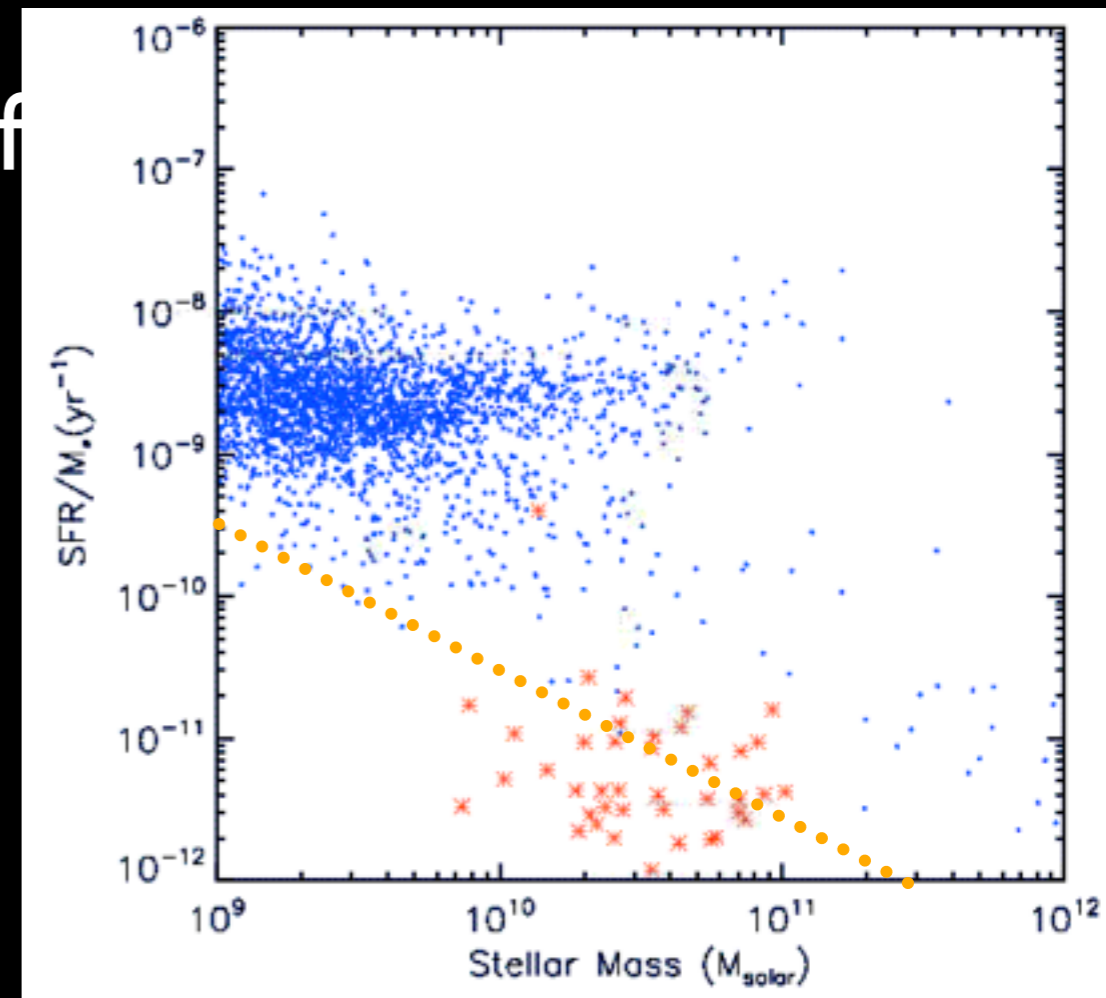
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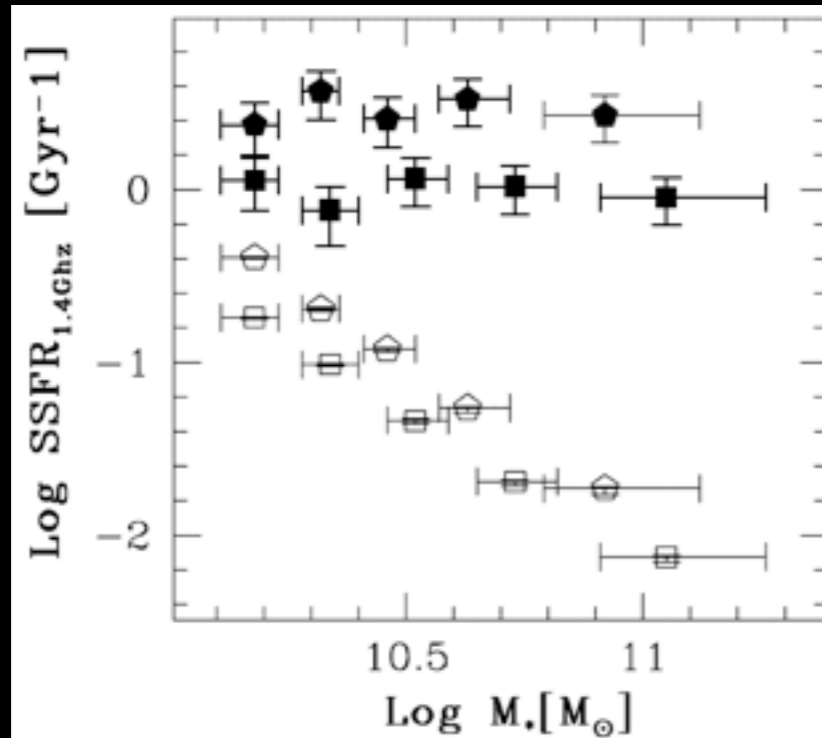


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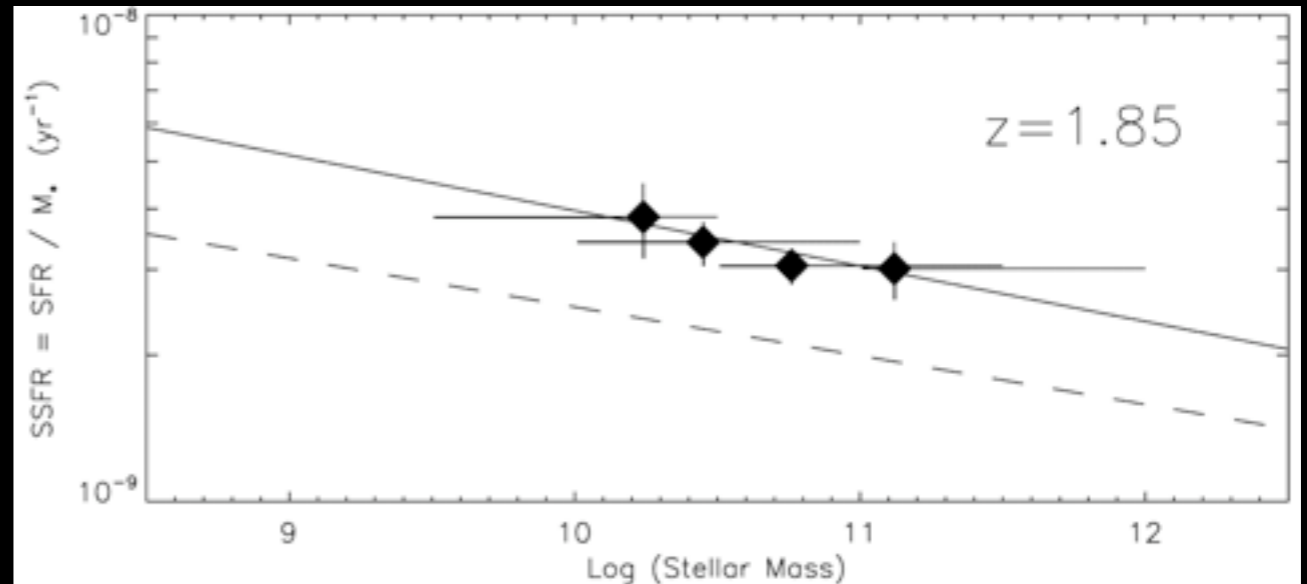


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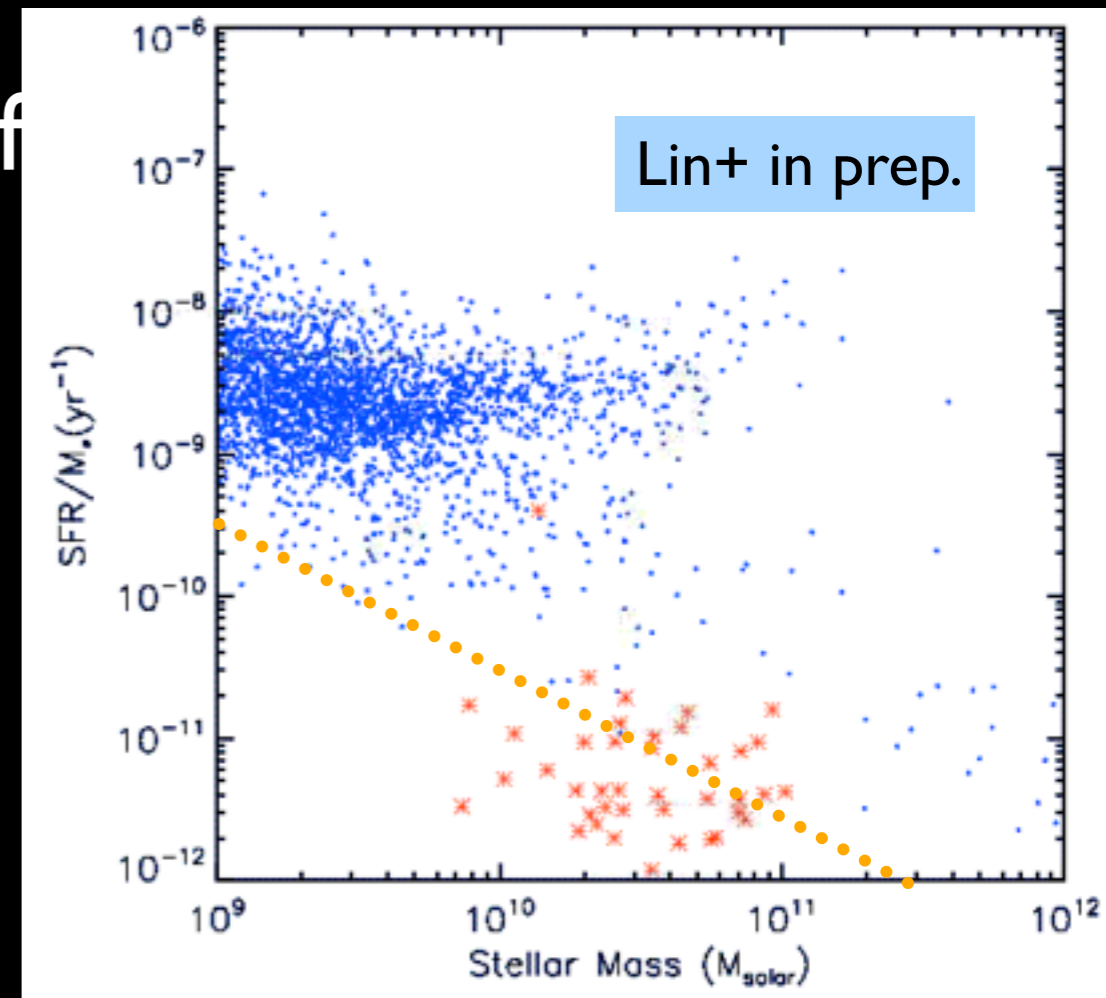


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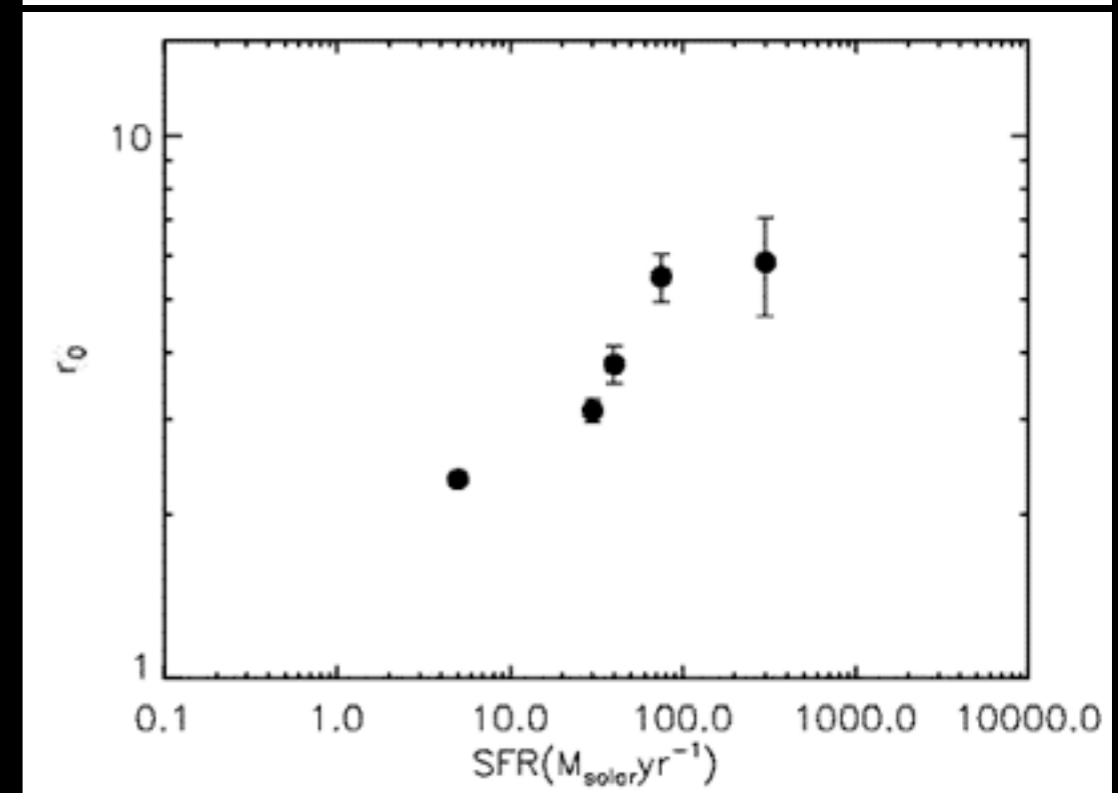
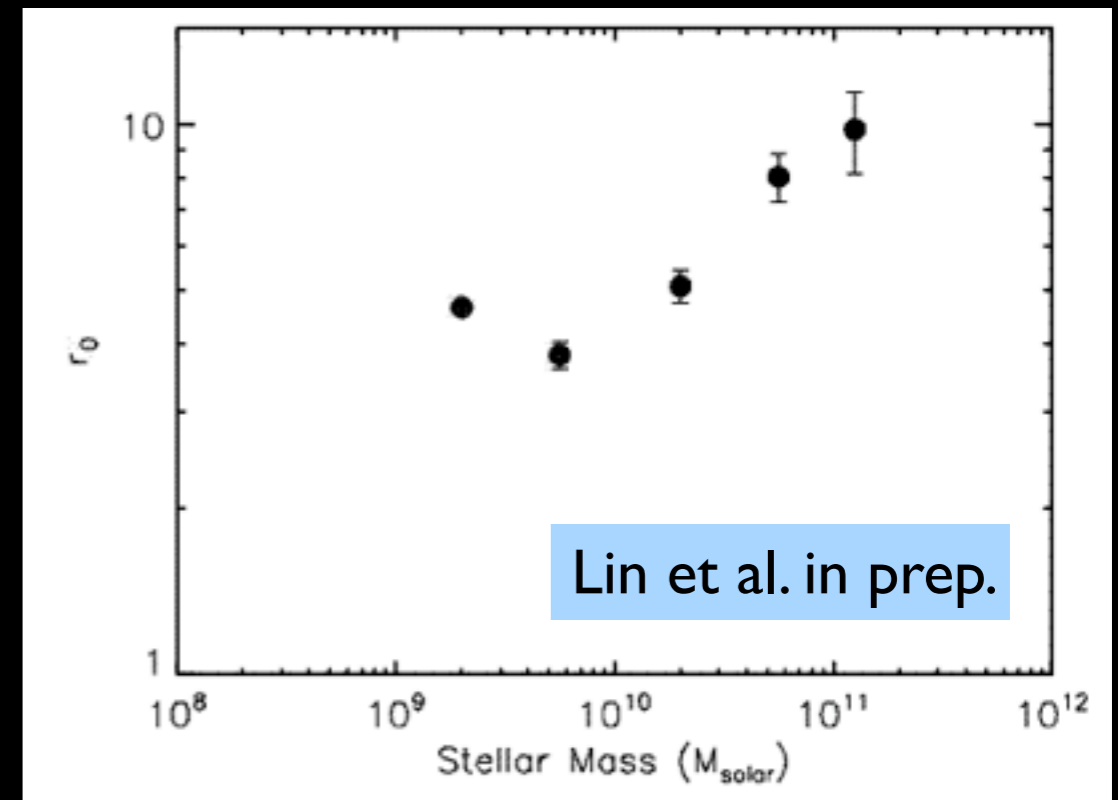
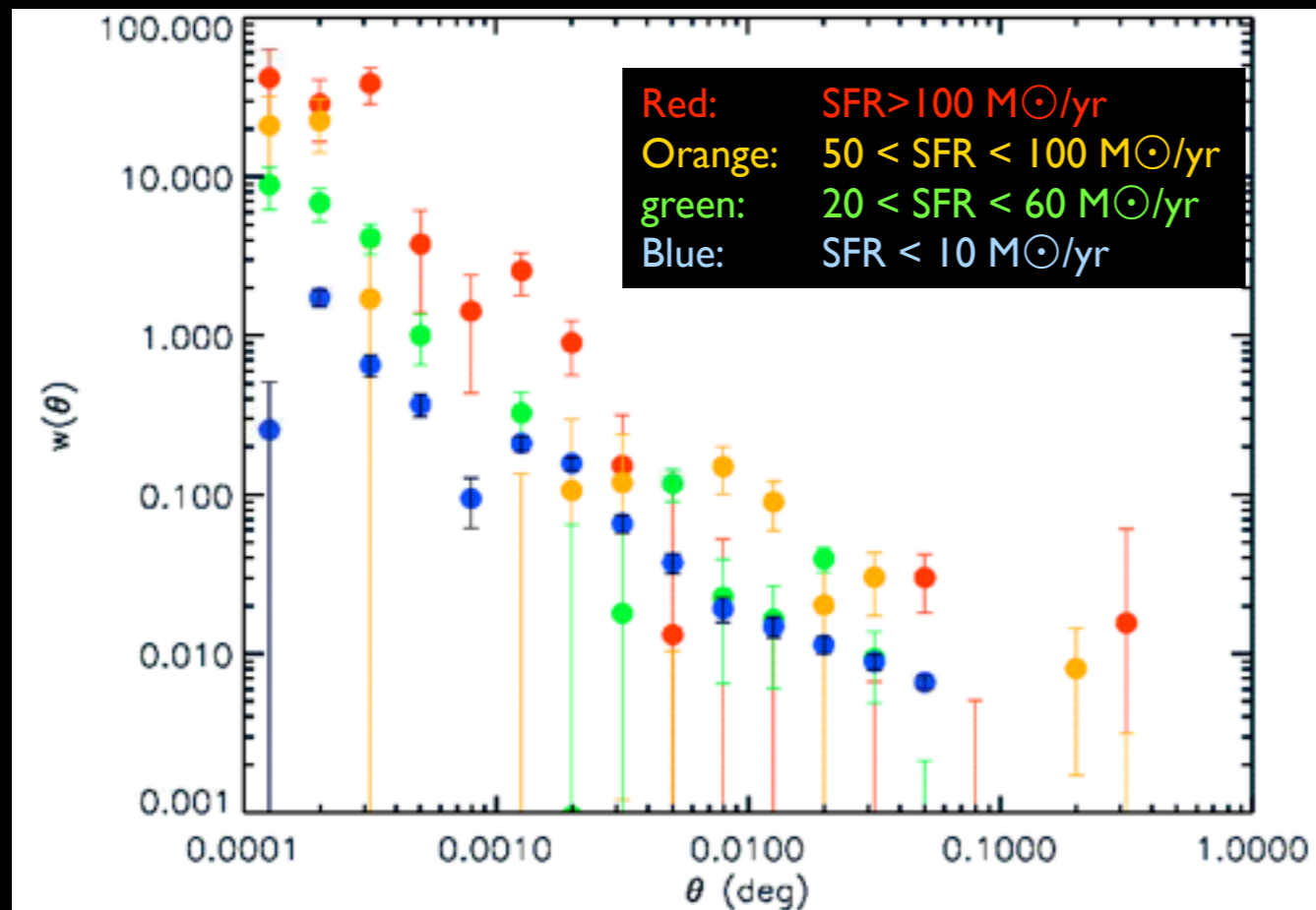
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- *The SSFRs are roughly constant over ~ 1.6 dex in stellar mass, unlike the steady decrease of SSFR with M* seen at z < 1. However, this strongly depends on how the outliers are rejected.*



Clustering properties of $z \sim 2$ galaxies

Measuring the clustering strength of BzKs provides information about the masses of their hosting dark matter halos (Hayashi+07; Hartley+08; McCracken+10; Foucaud+10).



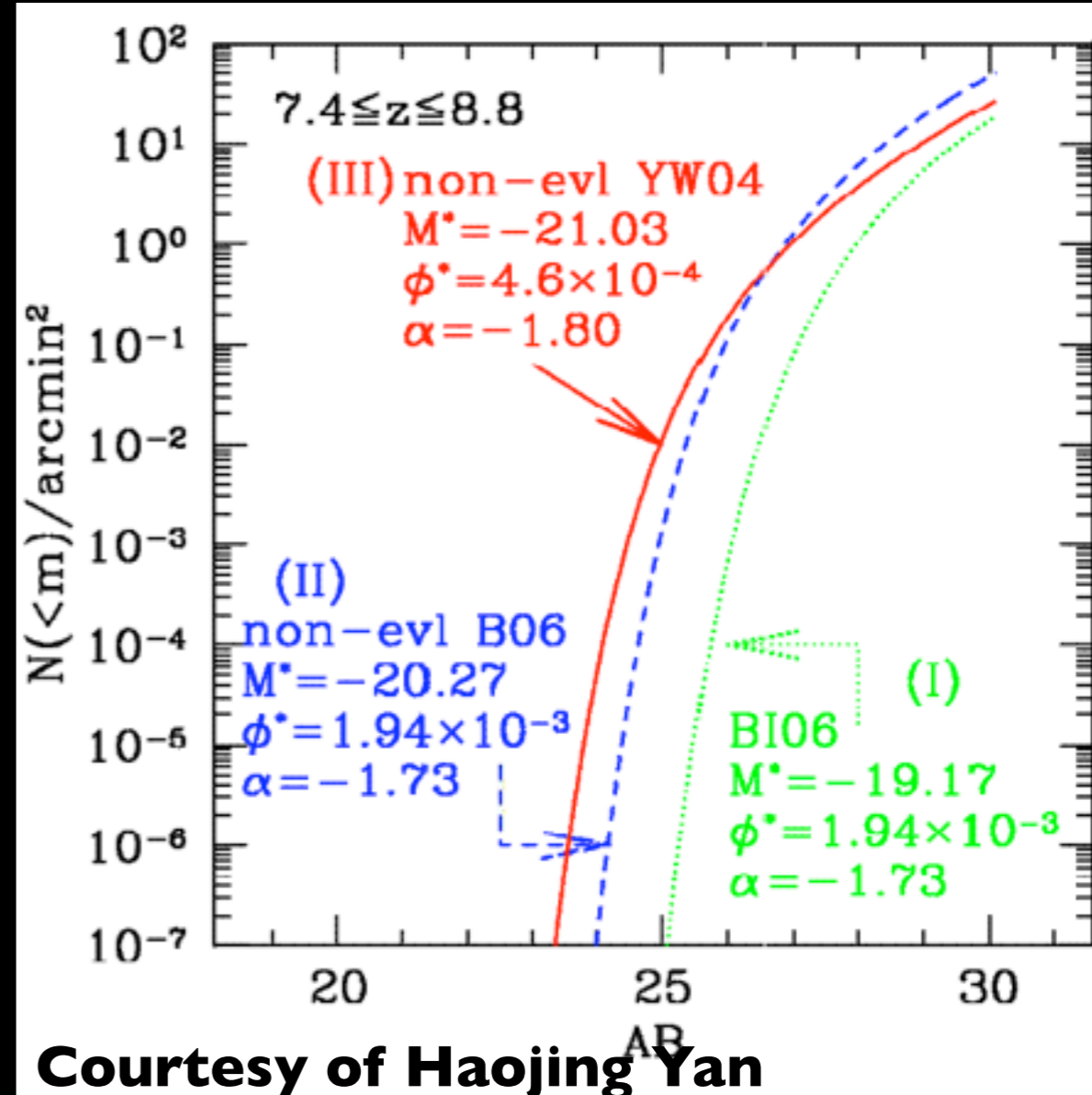
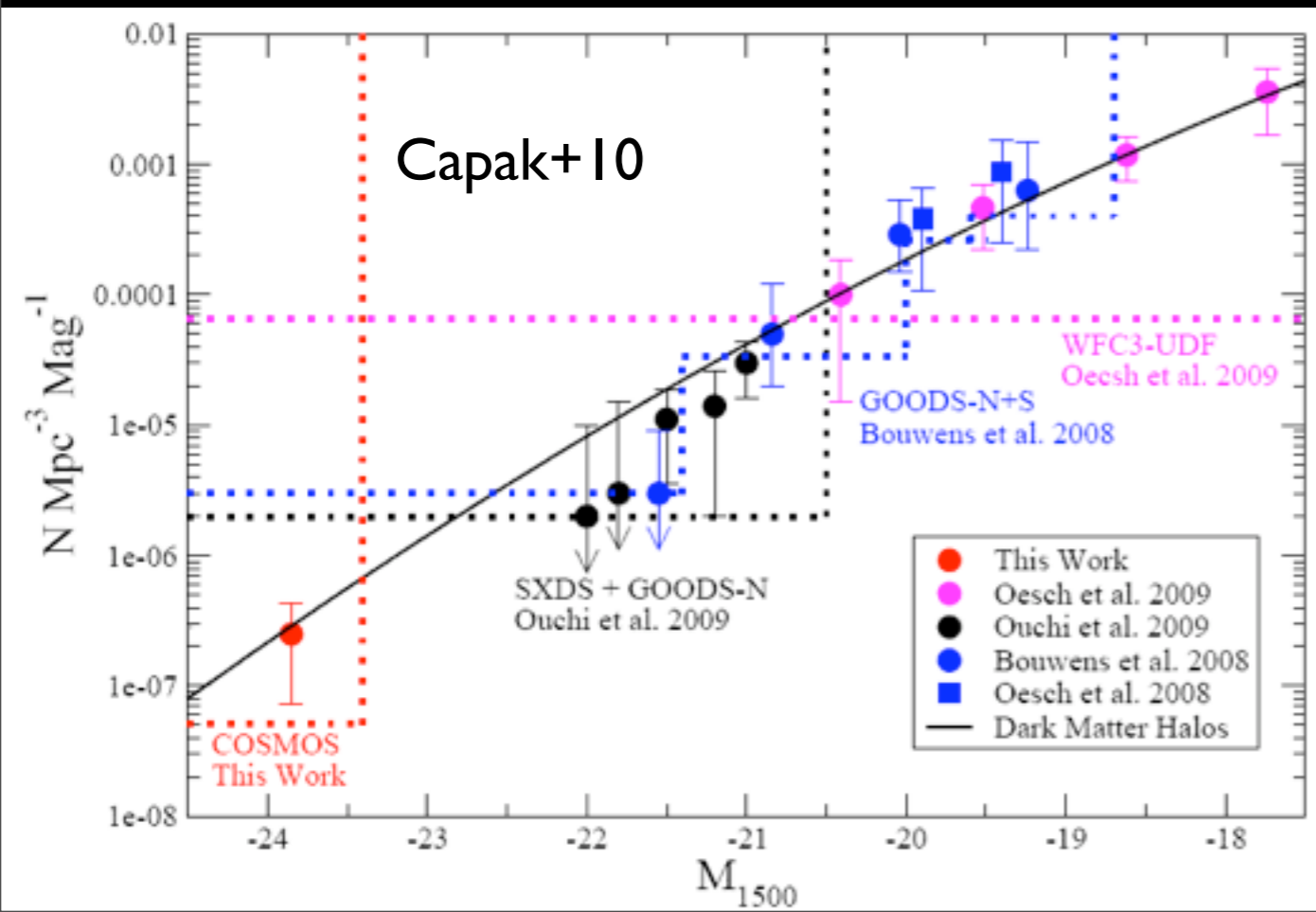
- The clustering amplitude increases with SFR and stellar mass
- The correlation lengths of BzK galaxies with $SFR > 100$ (ULIRG), $10-100$ (LIRGS), and $< 10 M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$ are 5.8, 4.1, and 2.33 $h^{-1} \text{Mpc}$, which translate to minimum masses of $\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$, 10^{12} , and $10^{10} M_{\odot}$ for their hosting dark matter halos respectively.
- ULIRGs at $z \sim 2$ are likely to be the projectors of the most massive galaxies in present-day's rich clusters.

$z > 7$ candidates

Pushing the redshift limits of high-redshift galaxies are essential in:

- ◆ quantifying the contribution of early star formation to cosmic reionization
- ◆ characterizing the history of cosmic star formation rates
- ◆ probing the formation mechanism and evolutionary path of early galaxies

To date most candidates at $z > 7$ are selected in extremely deep pencil beam surveys with very small areas. Median-size but deep NIR surveys provide constrains in the part of LF 1-2 mag brighter than L^*



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Summary

- Deep NIR data in GOODS-N allows for the studies of high- z dropout galaxies, and the star formation and clustering properties for BzK galaxies down to $K_s \sim 24$ mag.
- There exist main sequence for star-forming galaxies at $z \sim 2$. The star formation rate scales with the stellar mass. Preliminary analysis suggests that the specific star-formation rate does not depend on the stellar mass, as seen in $z < 1$.
- The clustering amplitude depends on the K-band mag, stellar masses, and star formation rate, being stronger for brighter, more massive, and greater star formation rate systems.
- We found 6 candidates with NIR + photoz selection of $z > 7$ galaxies, among which only one candidate is left after removing ones with 24 micron detection and unrealistic stellar masses.

On-going Spitzer Warm Mission “SEDs” will yield 4 x larger samples. Stay Tuned!

Thanks !