



# THE TRIGGERING OF $Z \sim 1$ OBSCURED AGN IN MERGING SYSTEMS:

AN UNPRECEDENTED VIEW FROM THE  
HYPER SUPRIME-CAMERA SURVEY

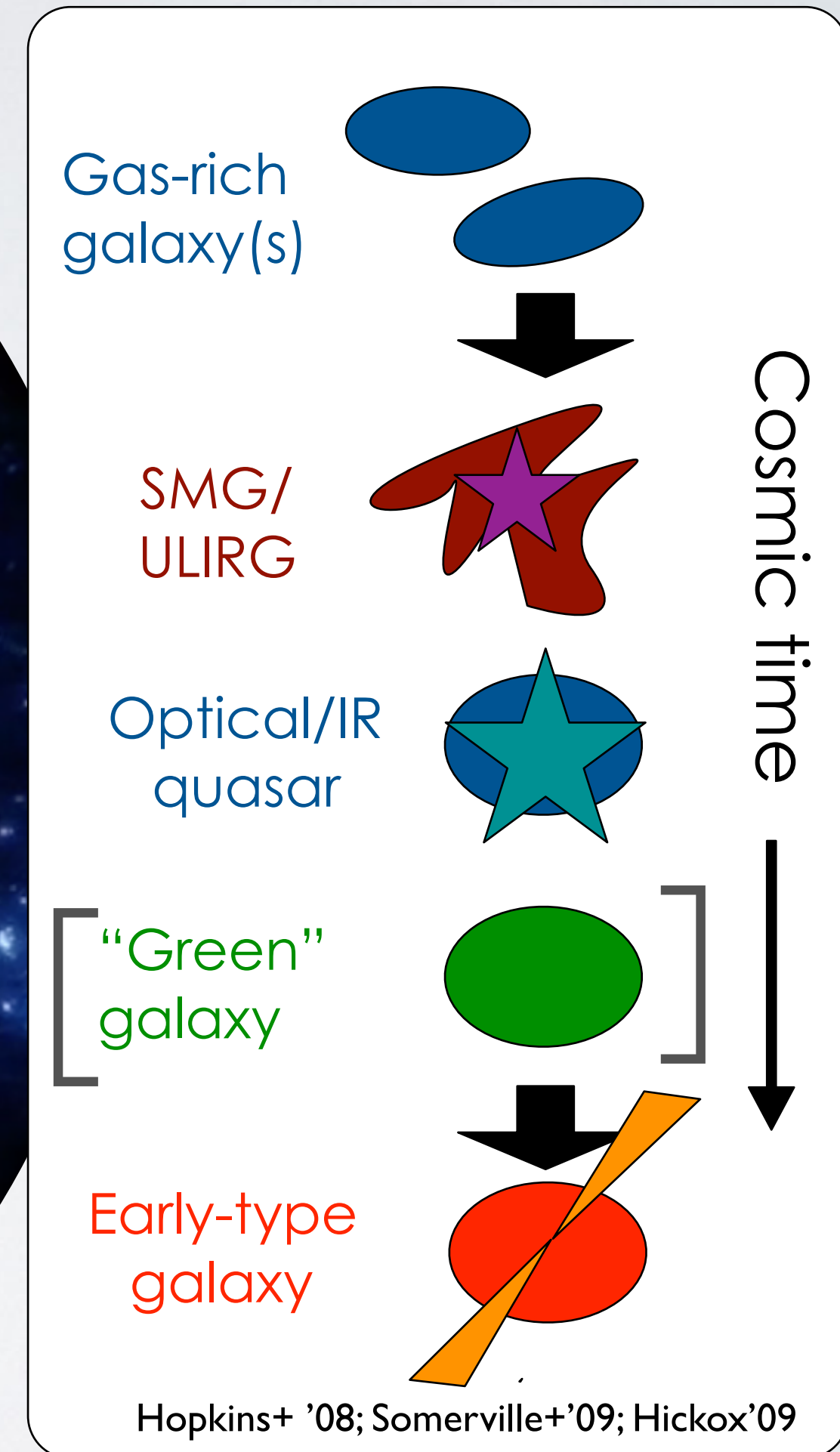
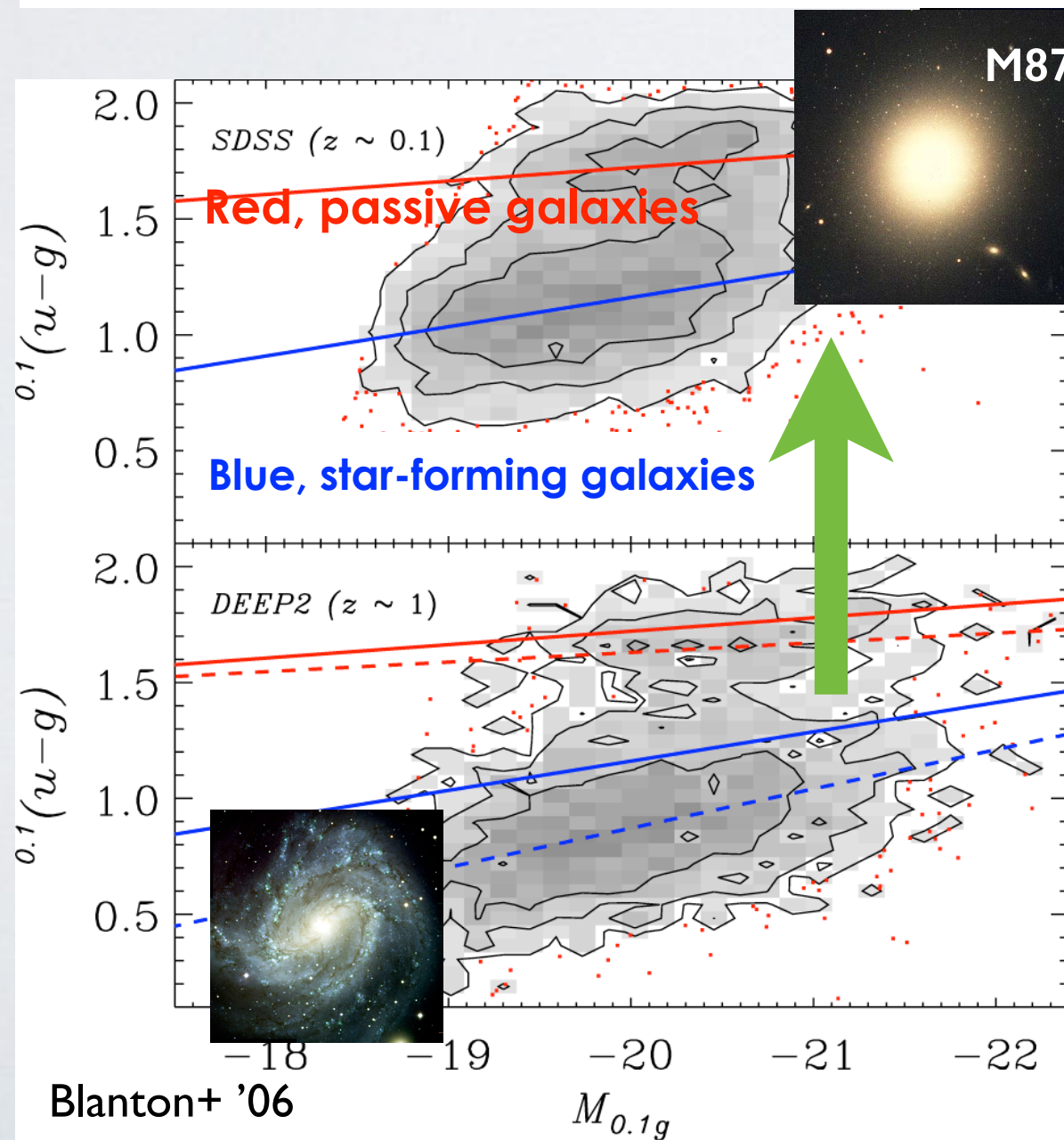
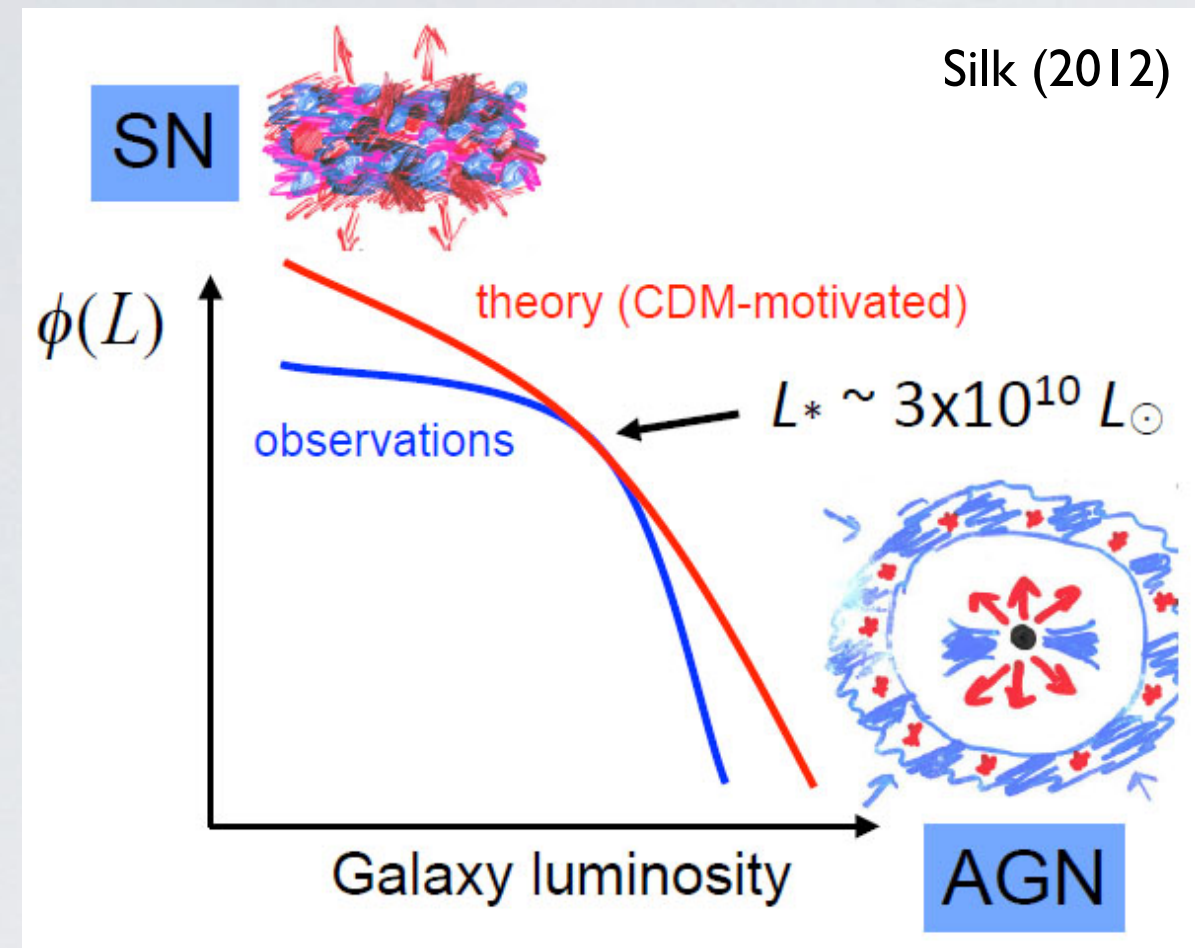
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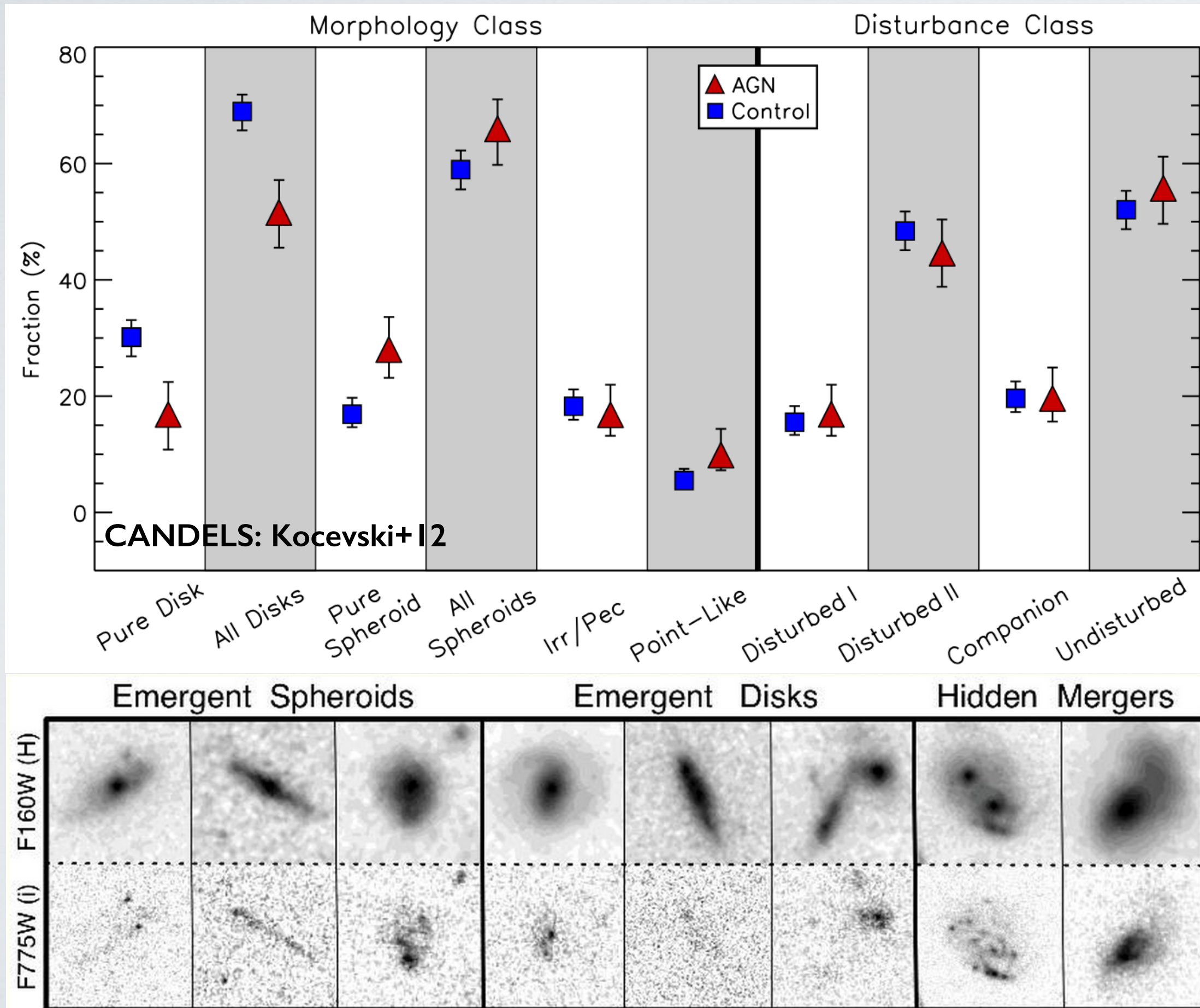


# FORMATION OF STRUCTURE & THE SUPPRESSION OF STAR-FORMATION



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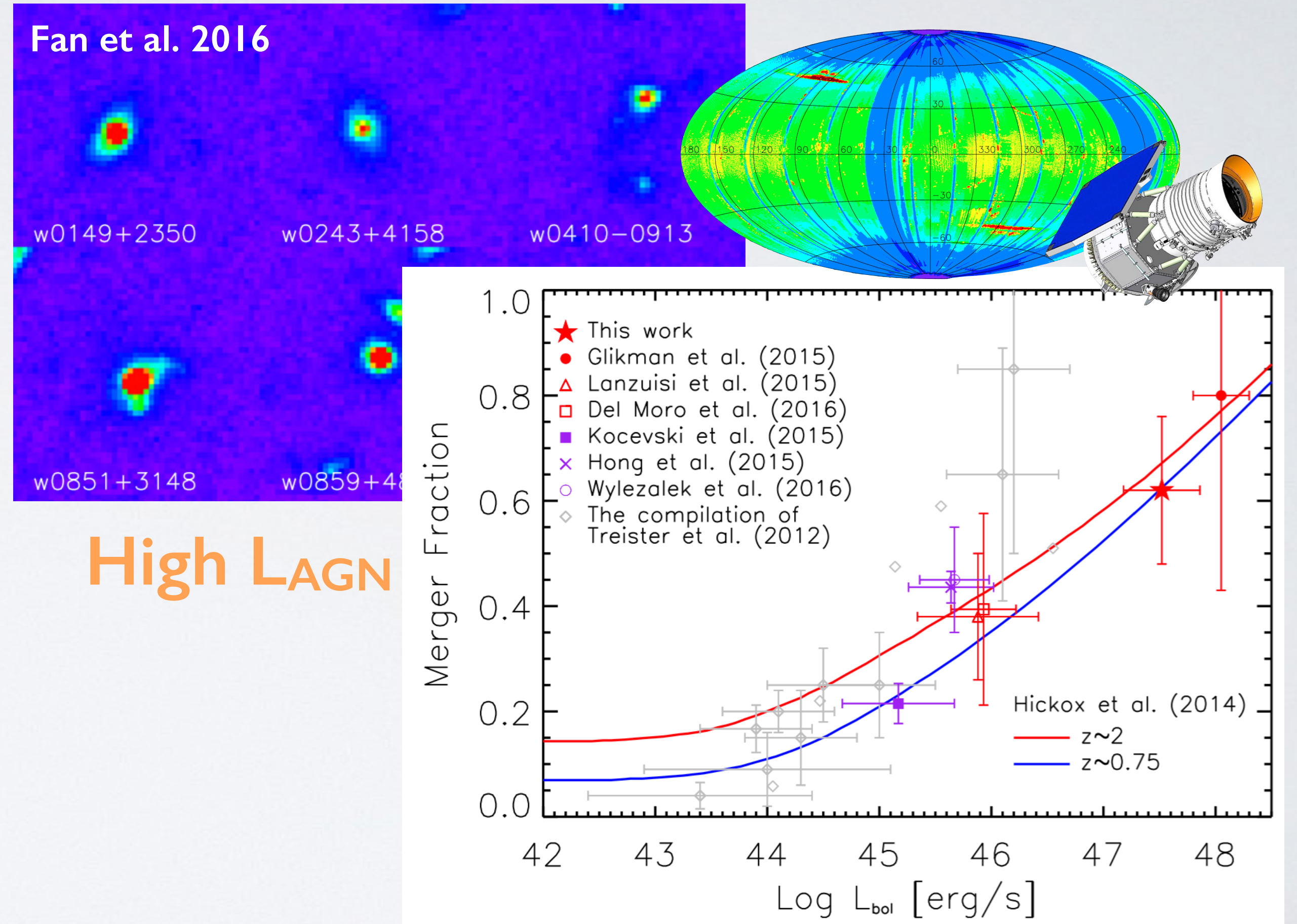
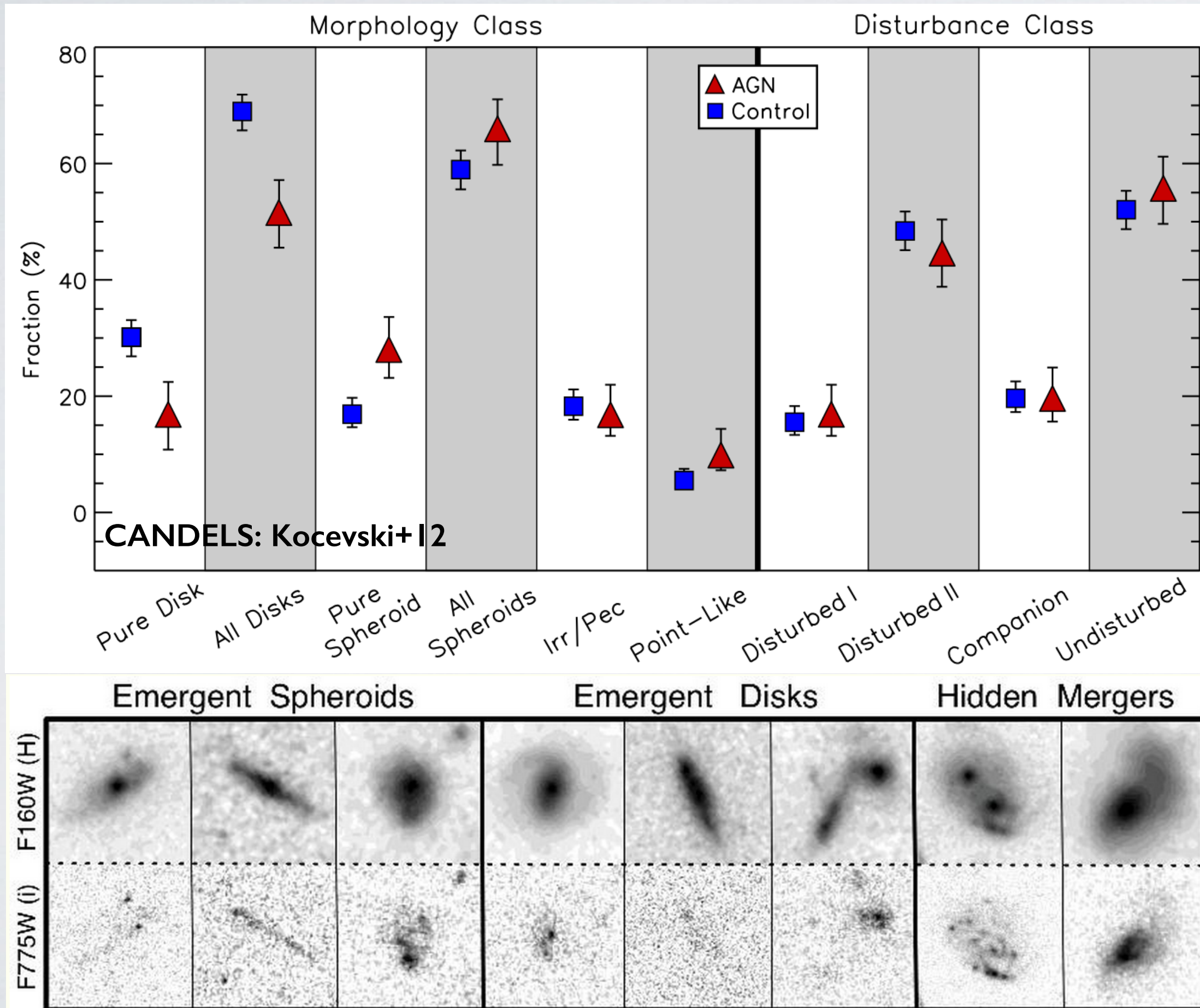
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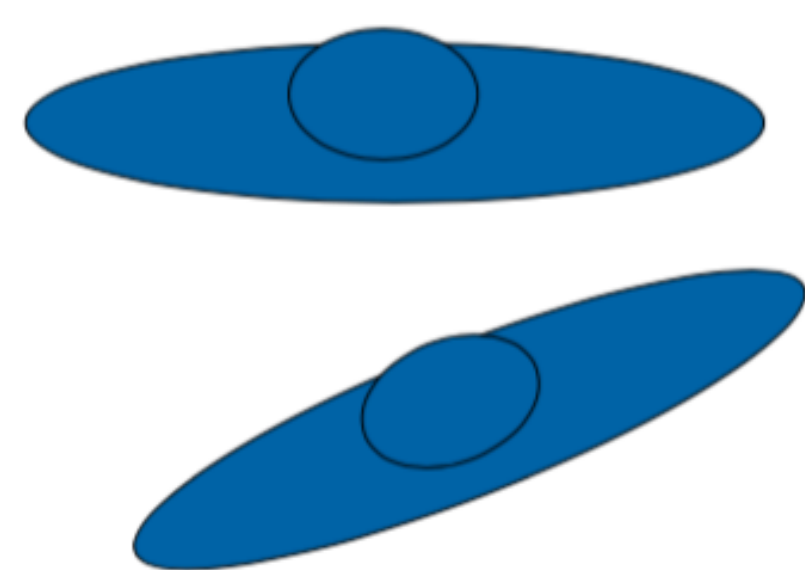
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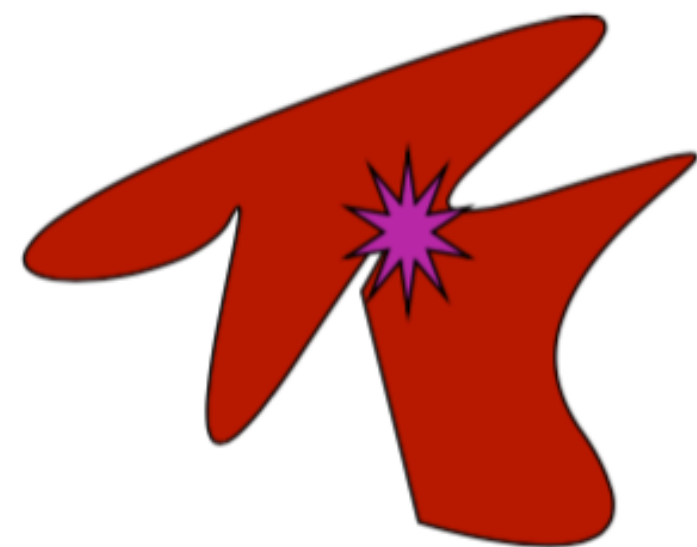
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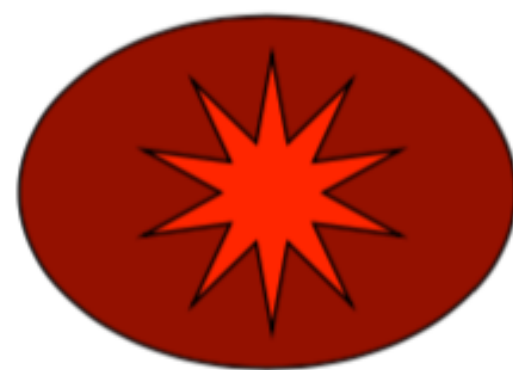
**At higher AGN luminosities,  
are mergers the key?**



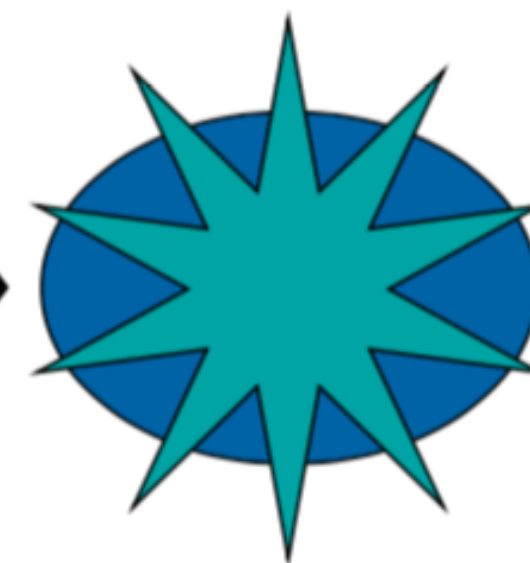
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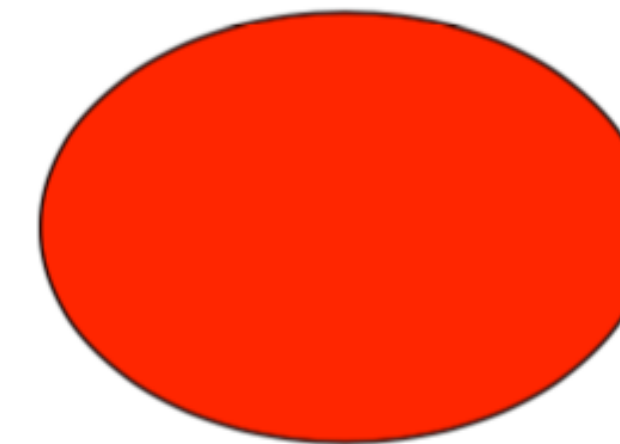
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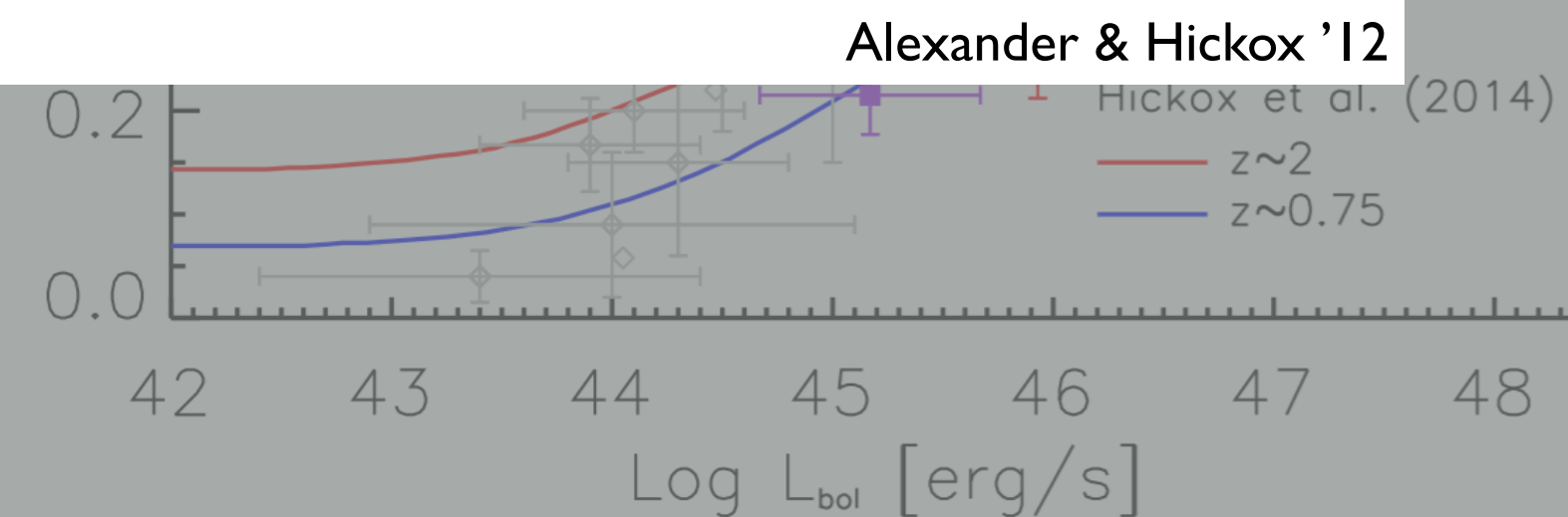
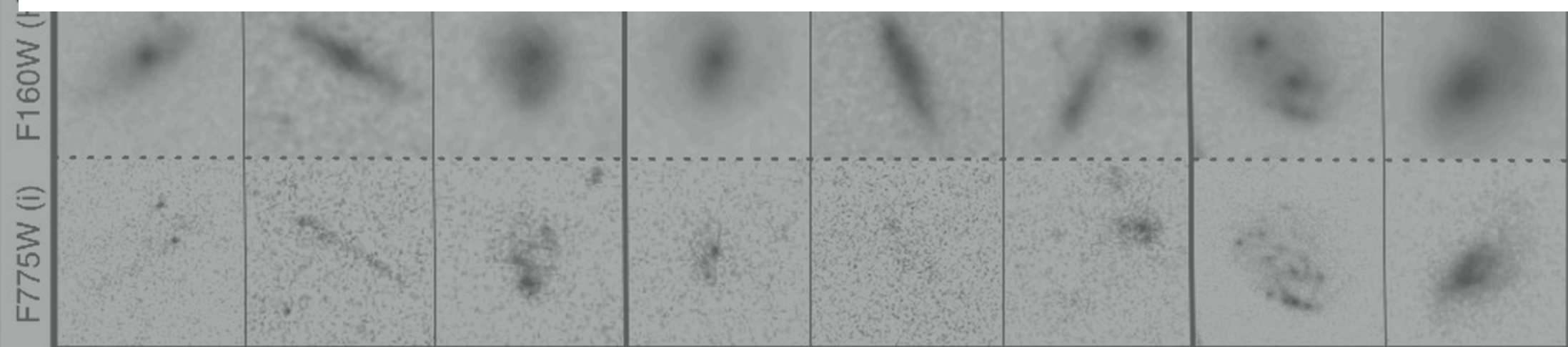
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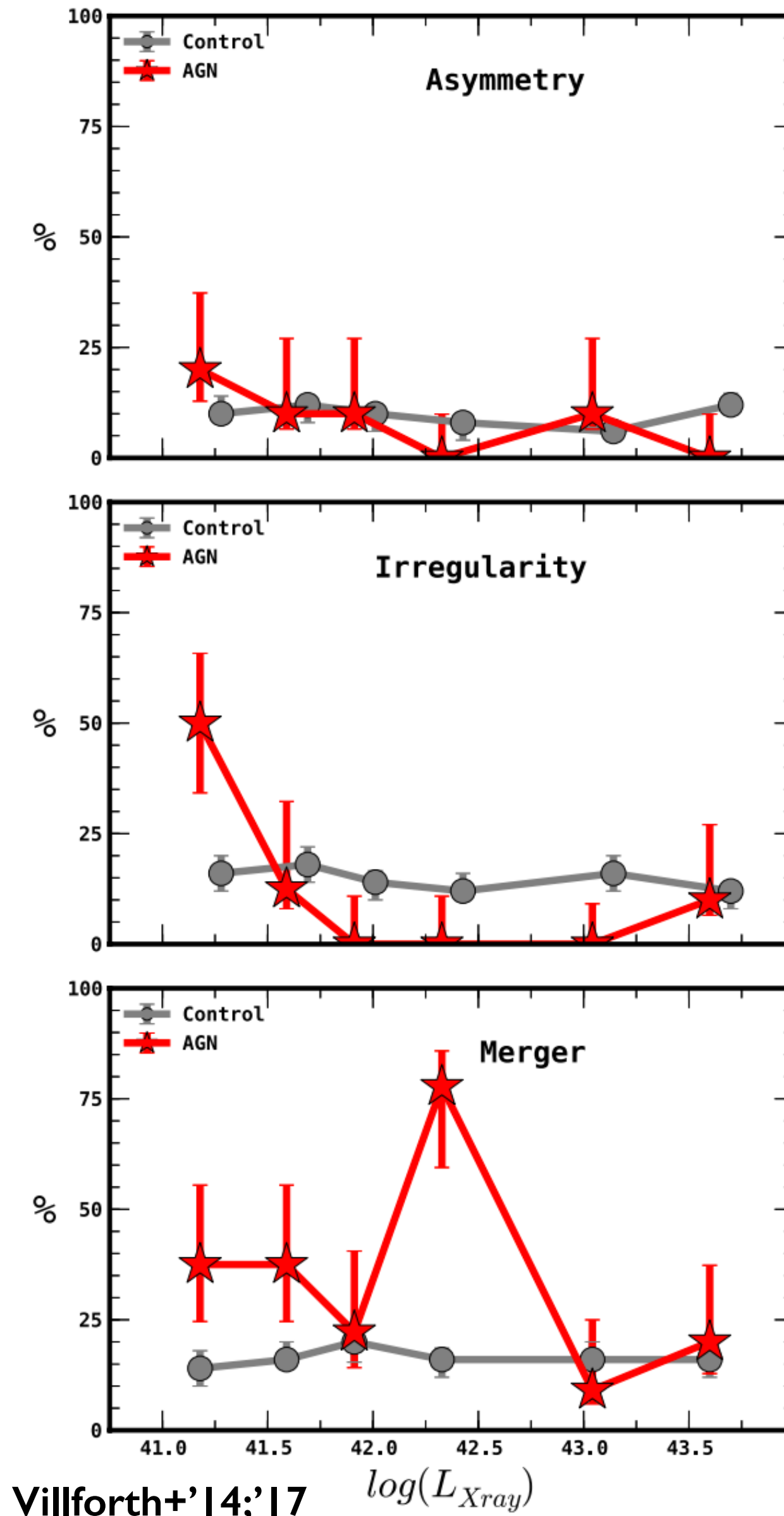
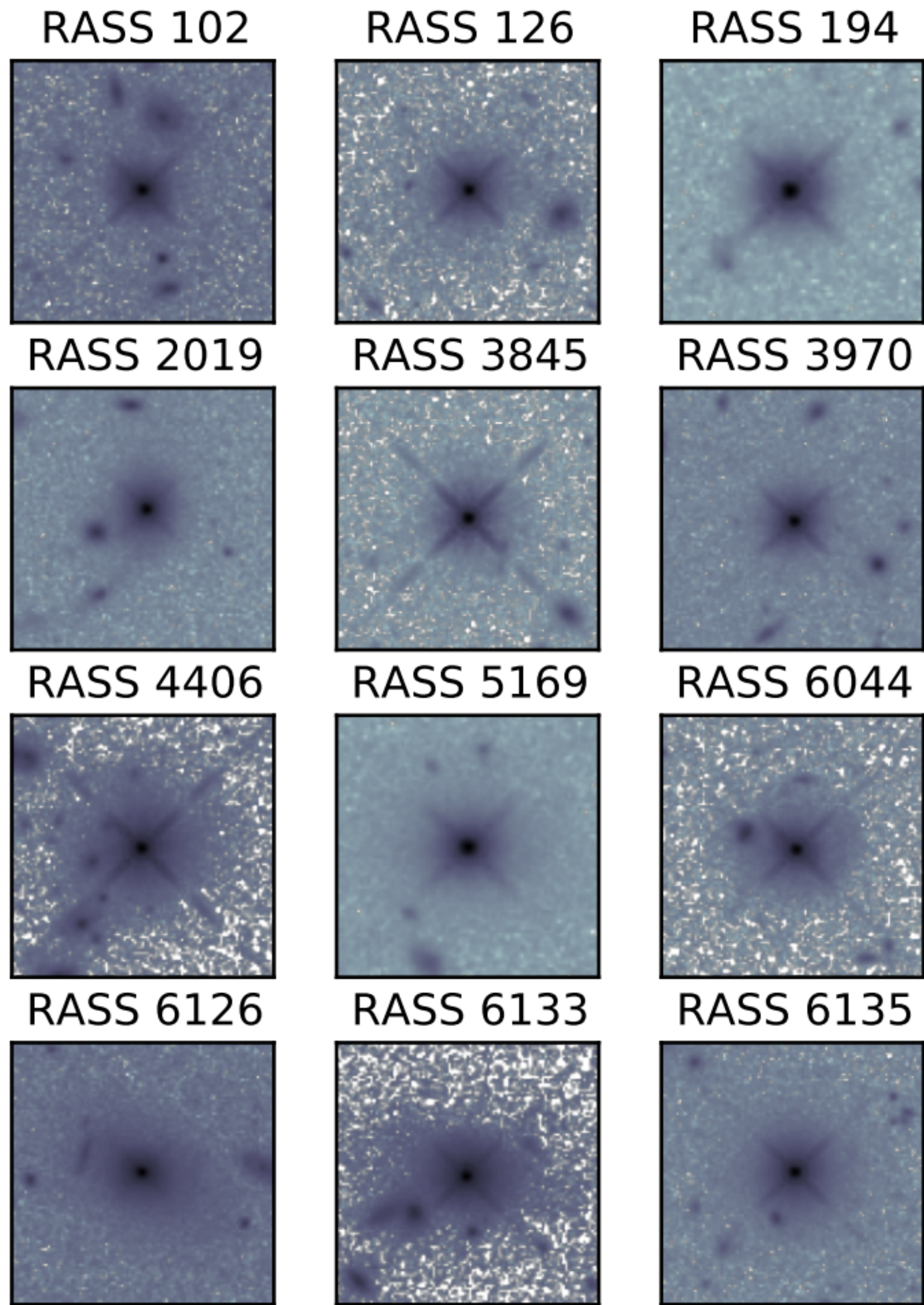


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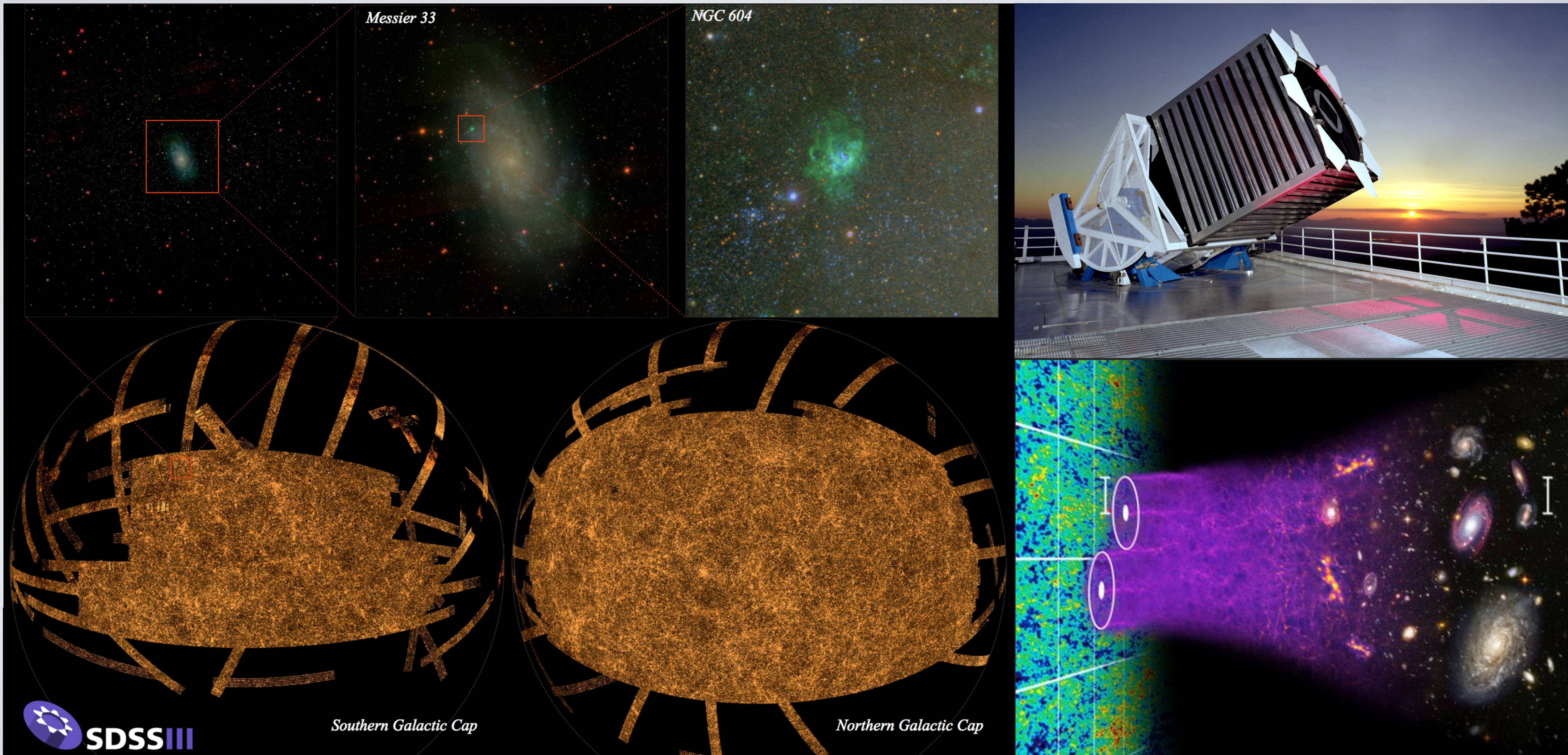


early-type  
galaxy



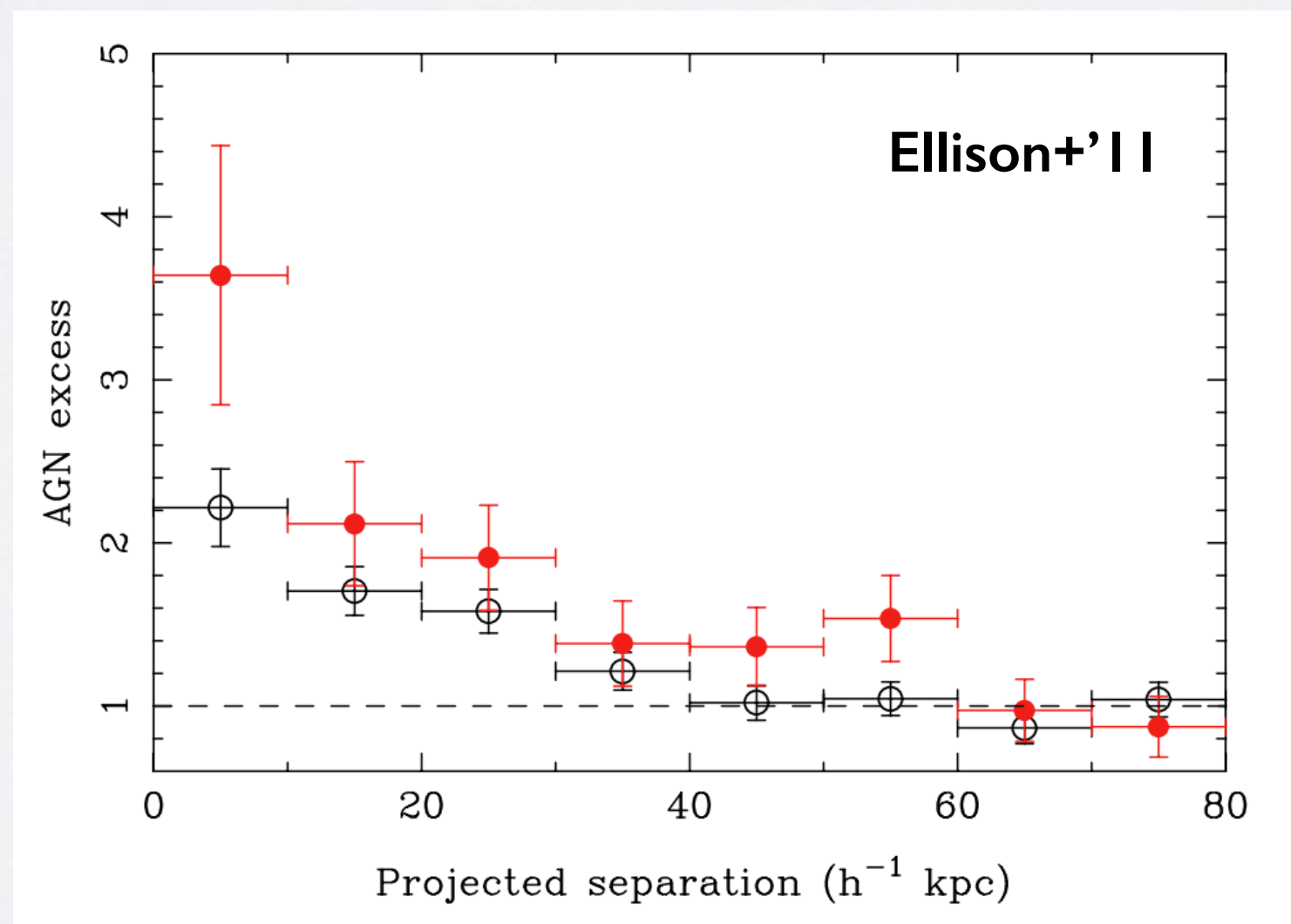
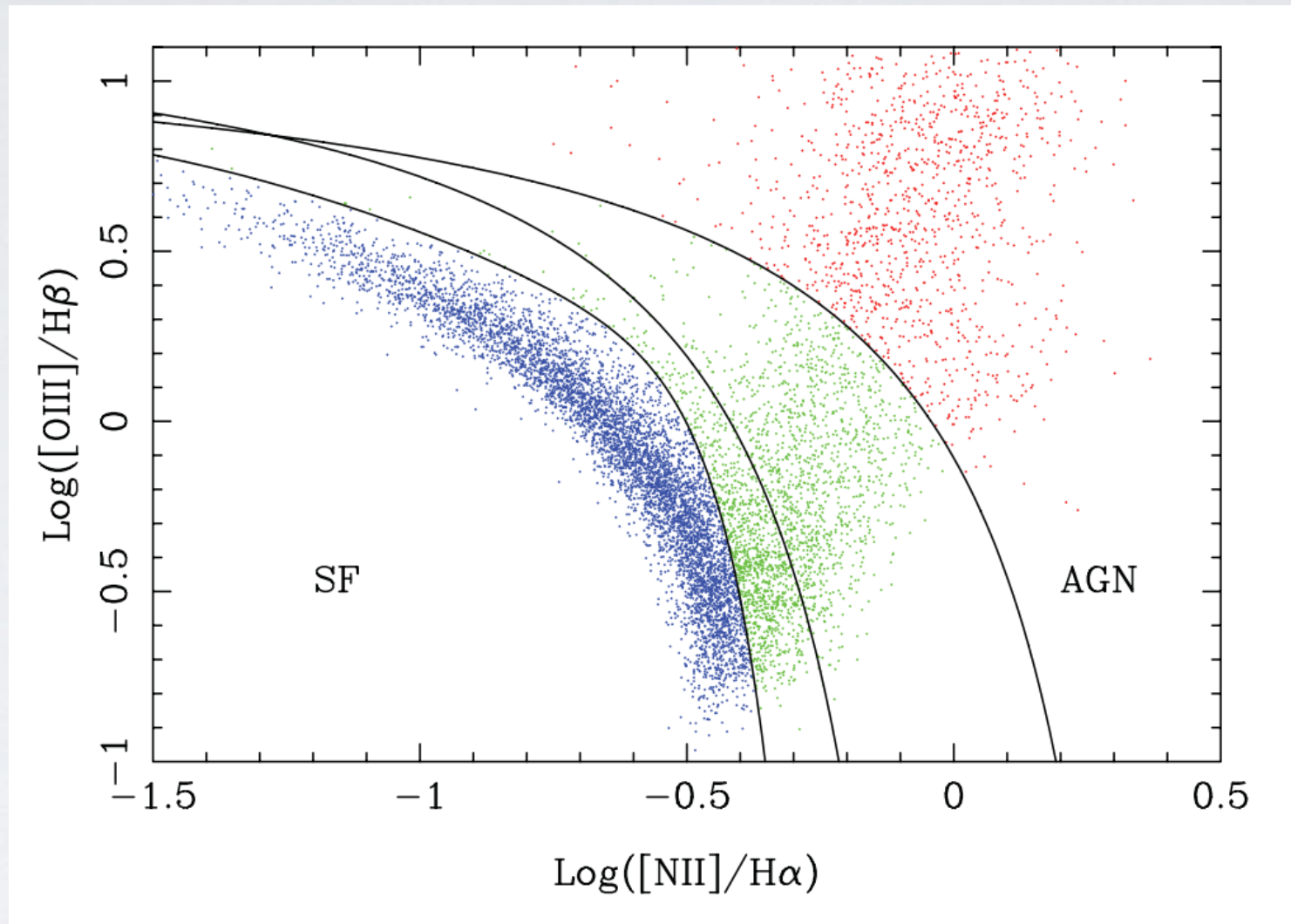


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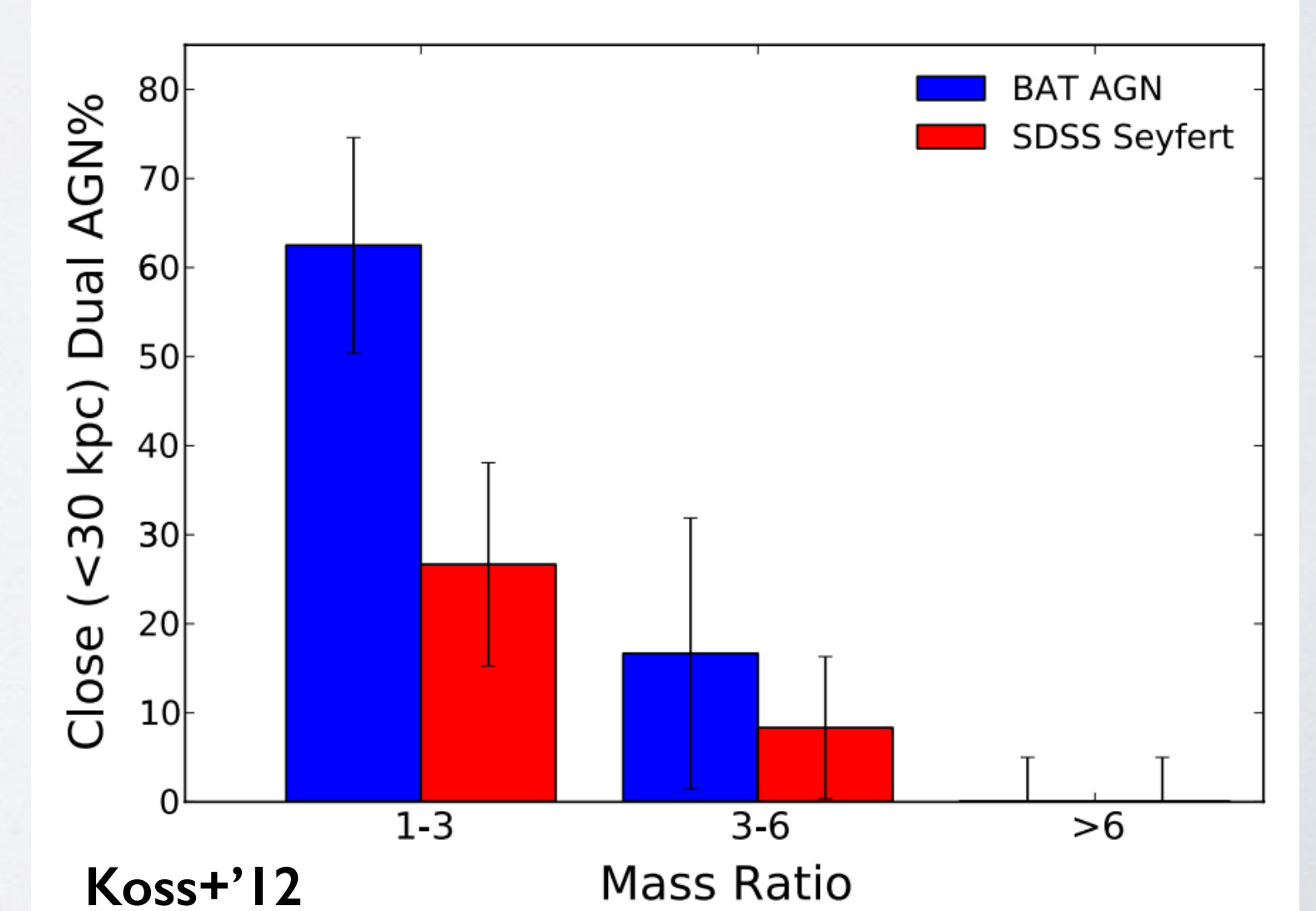
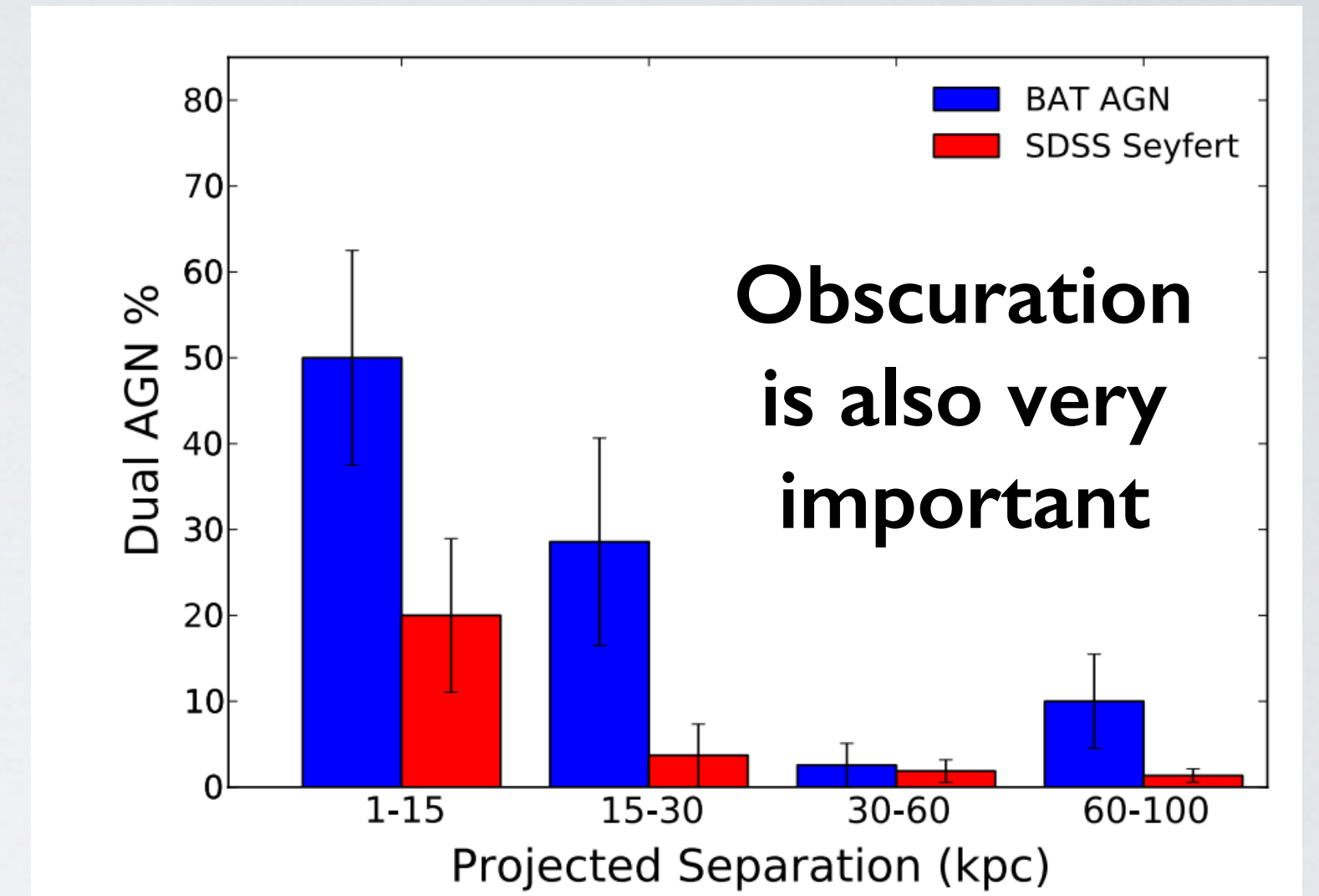
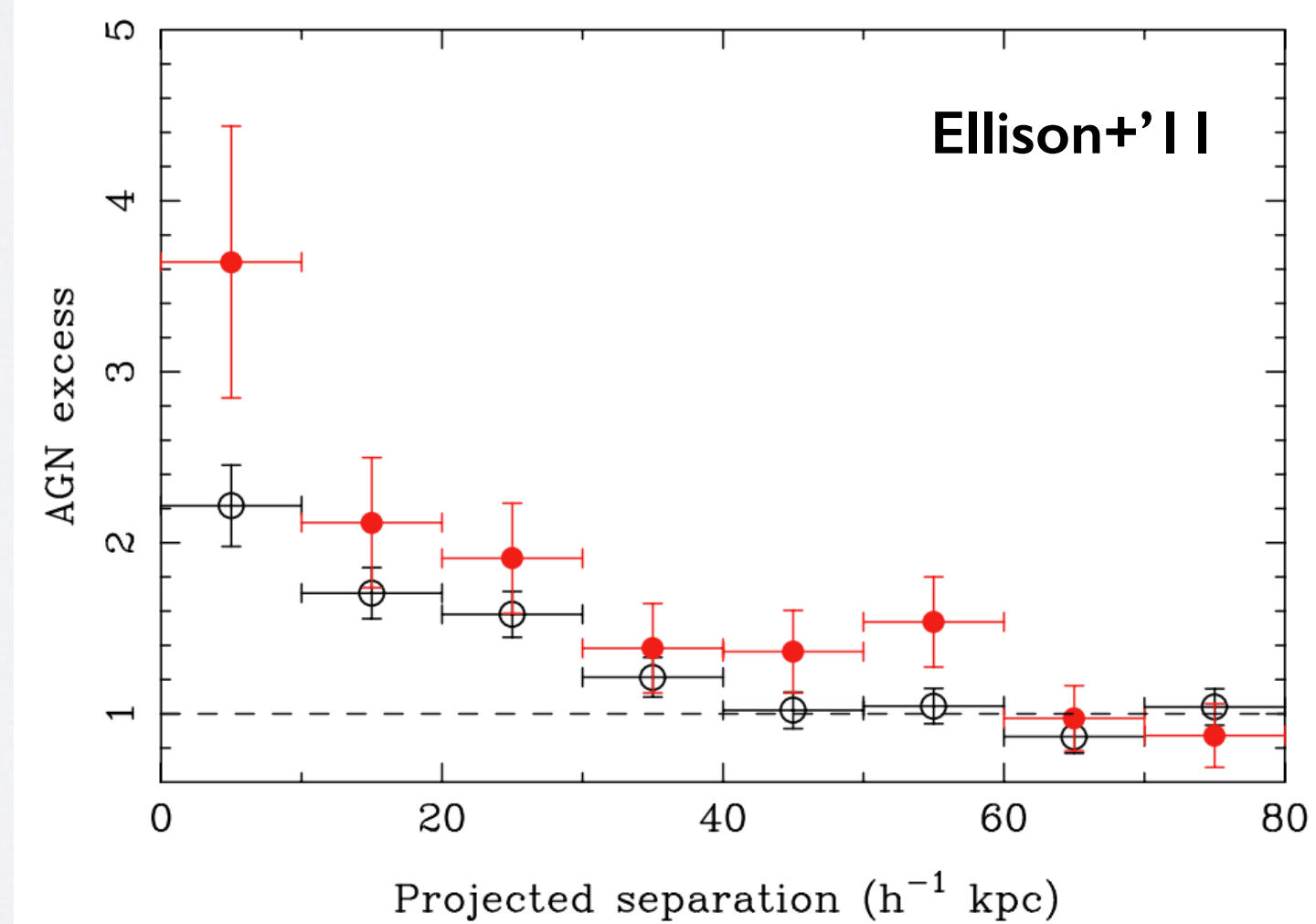
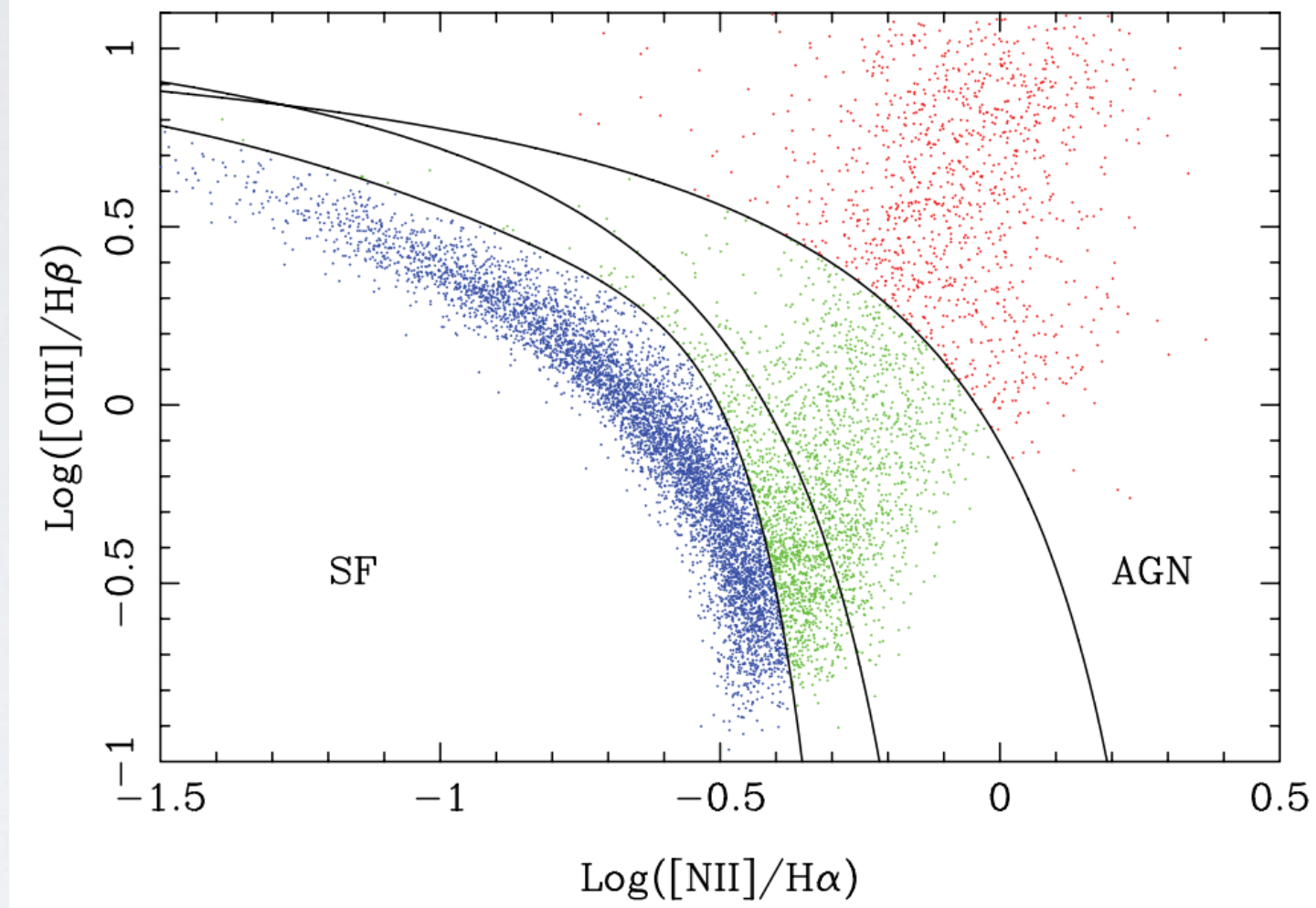




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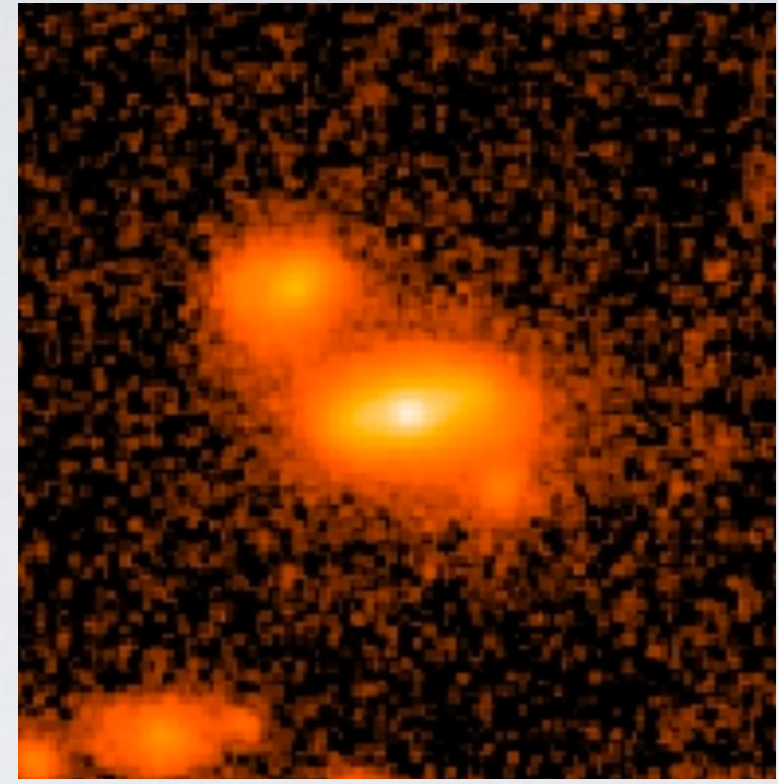
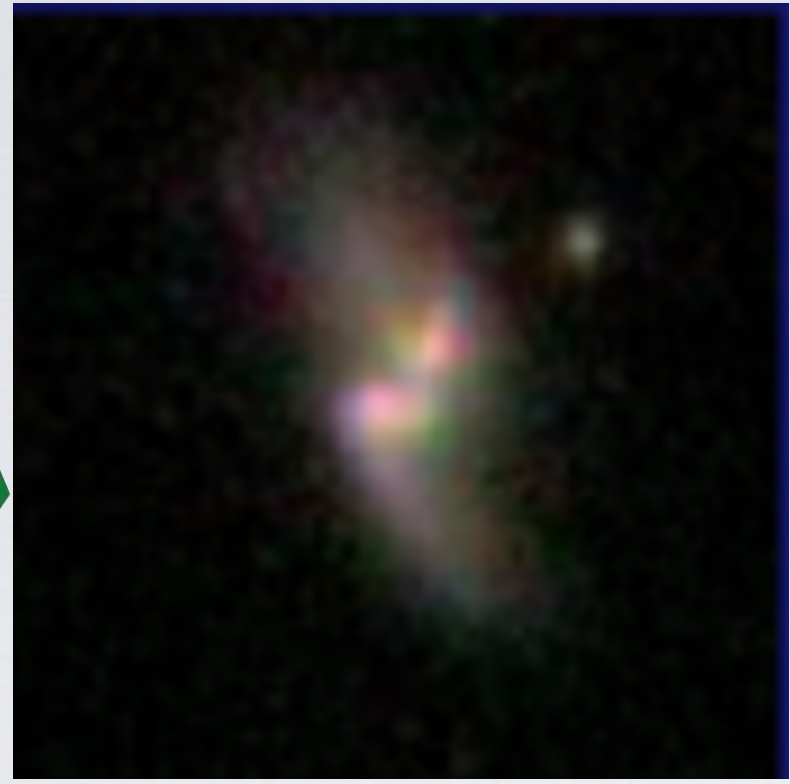


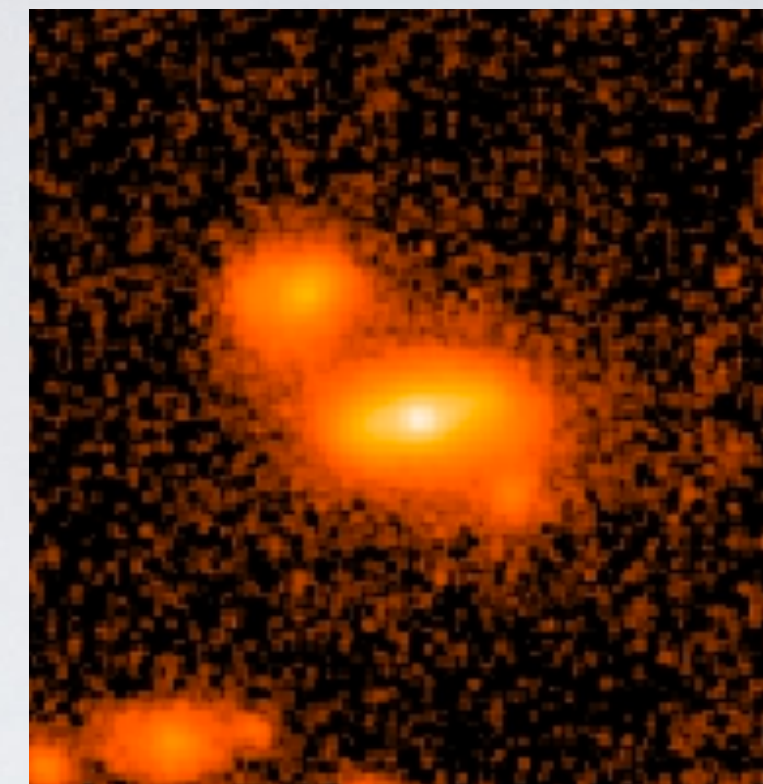
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Koss+12

Mass Ratio

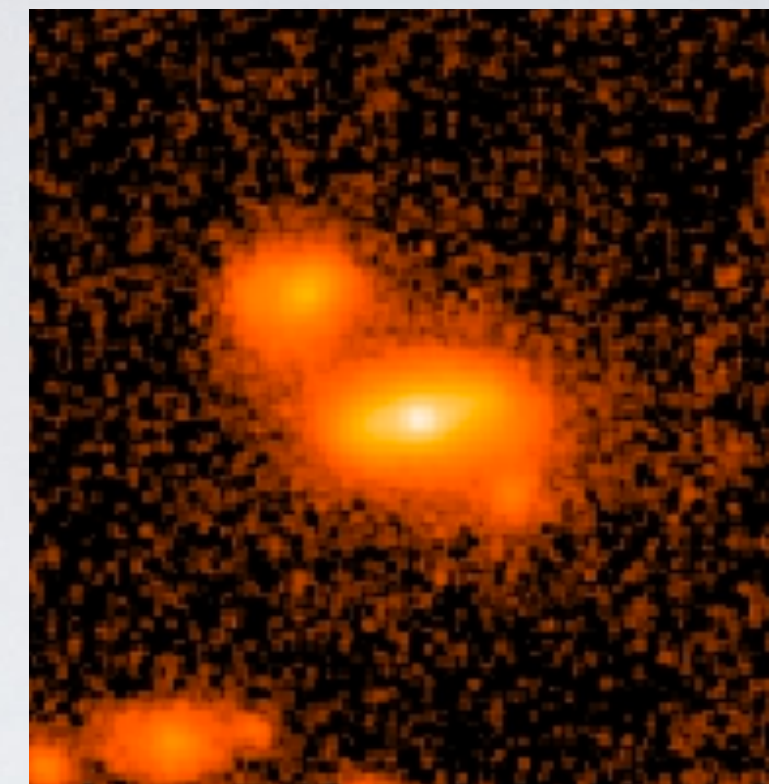




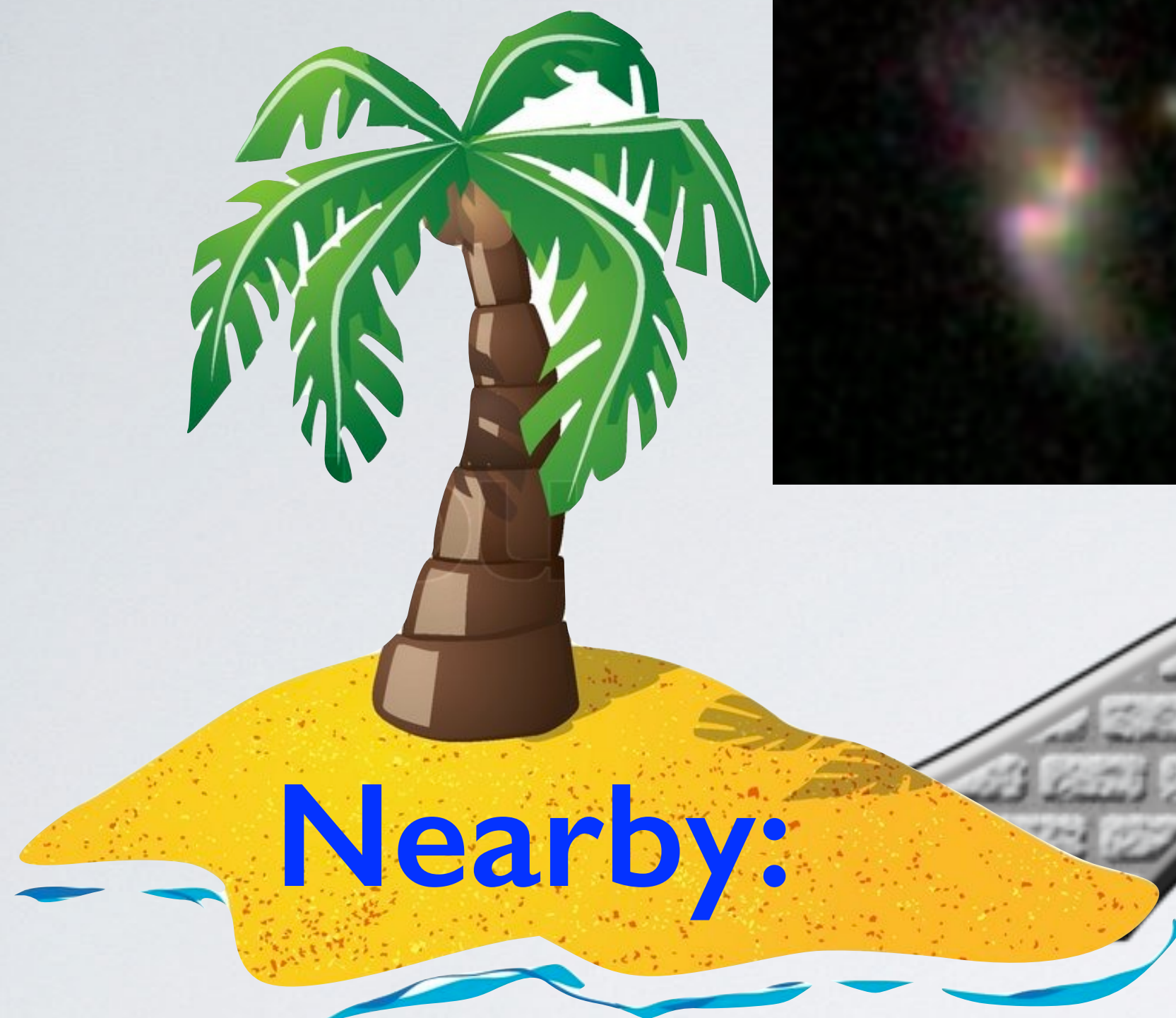
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- a time averaged picture of AGN accretion



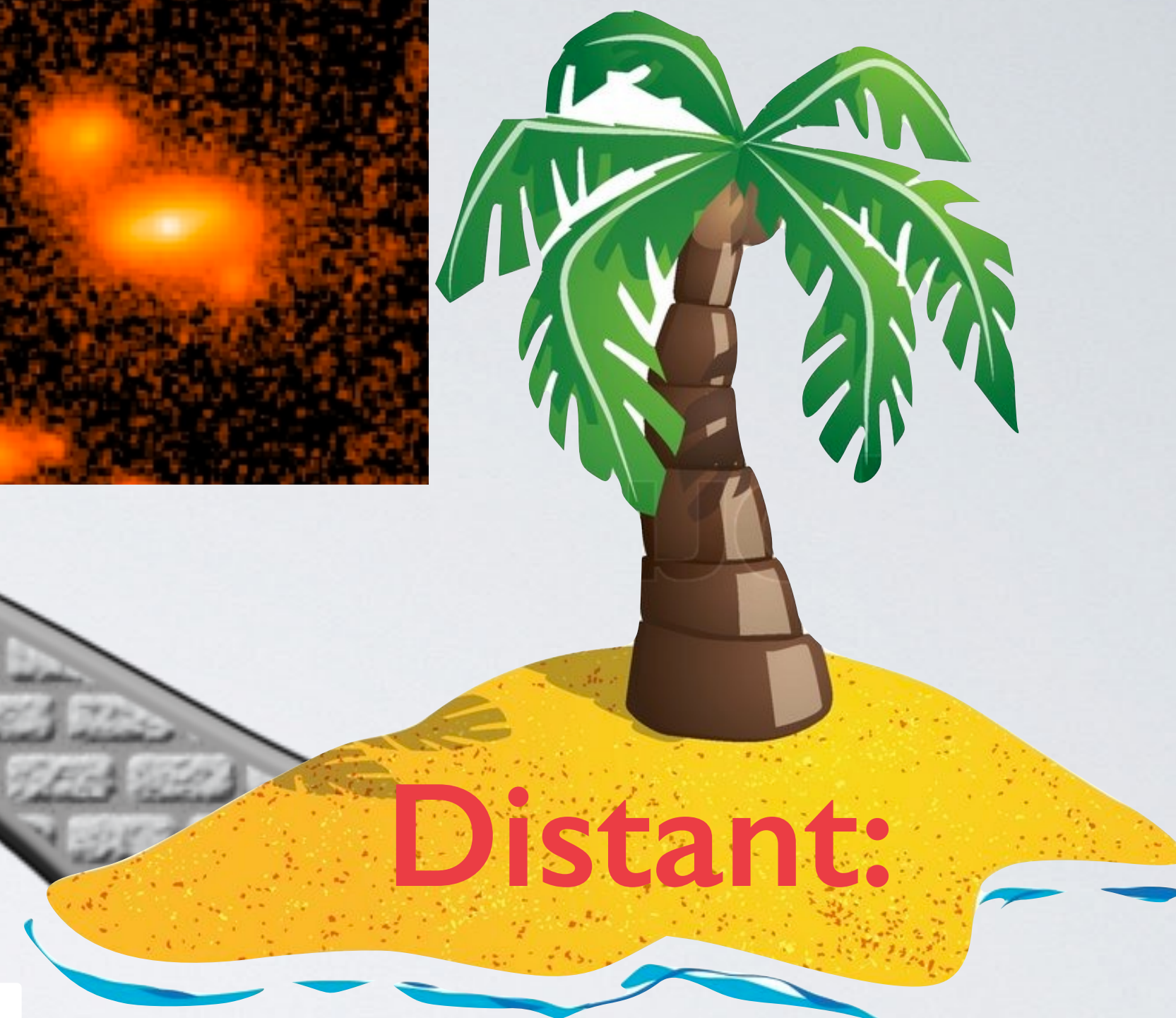
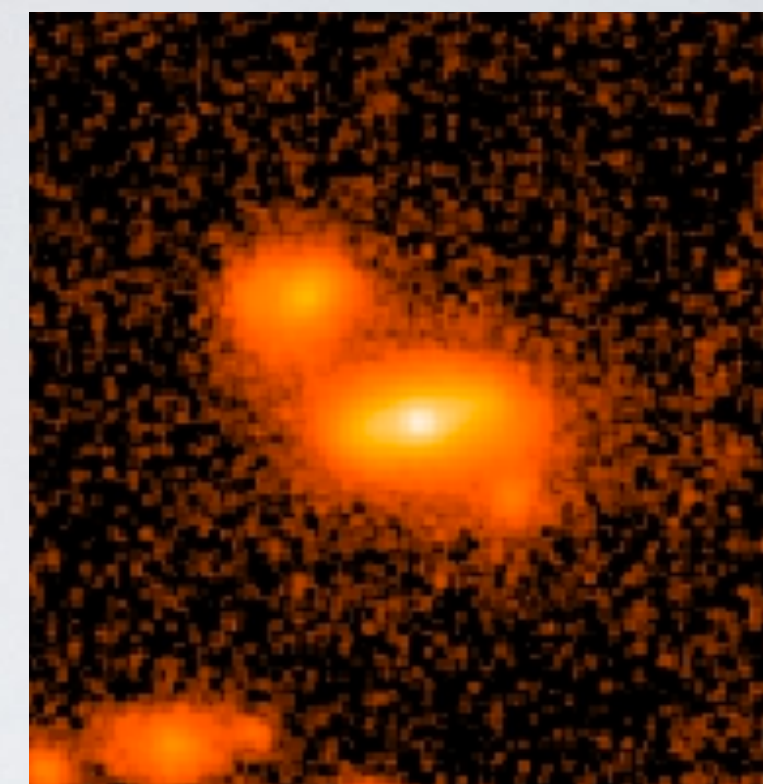
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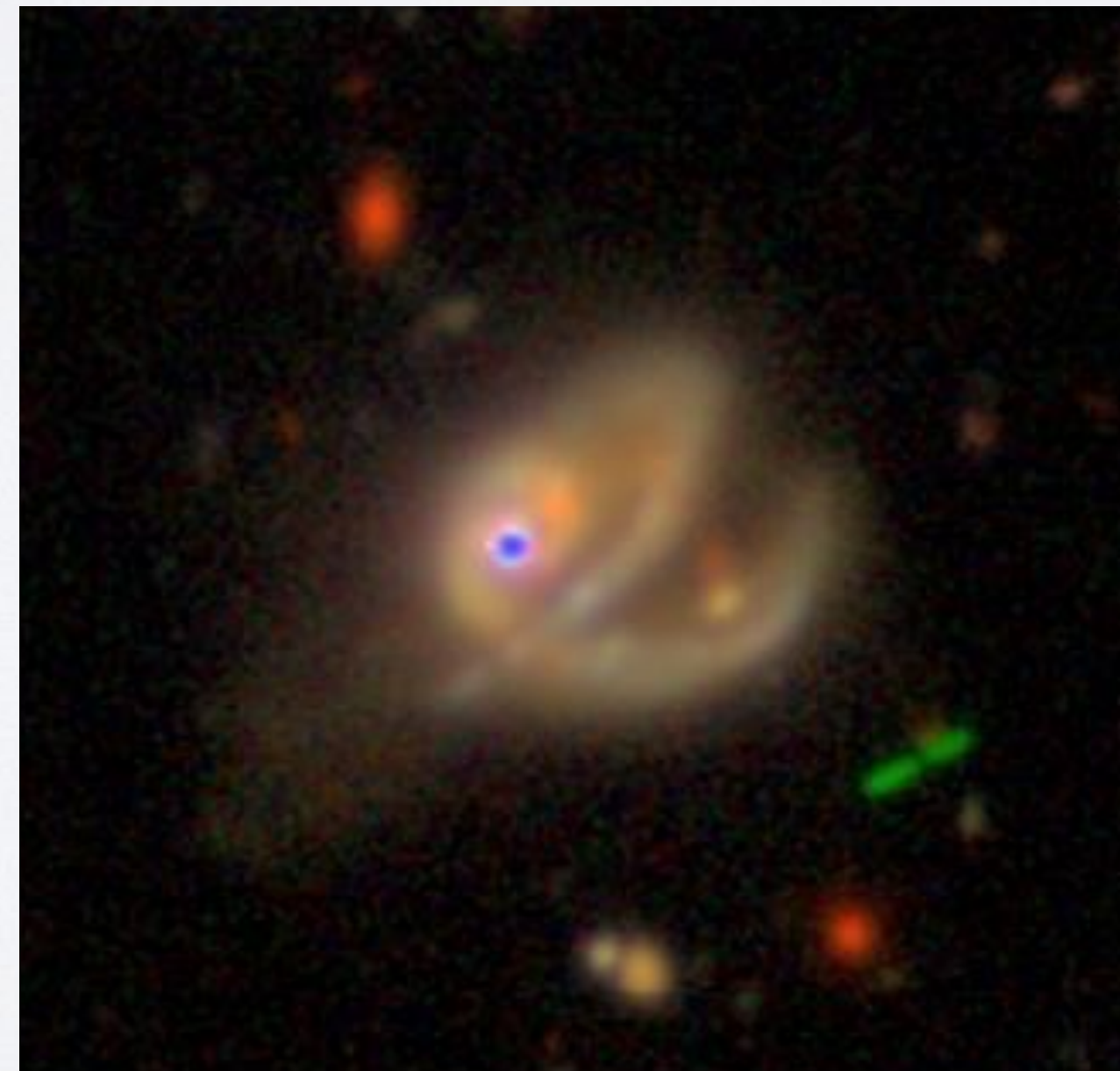


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**Require deep,  
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imaging**

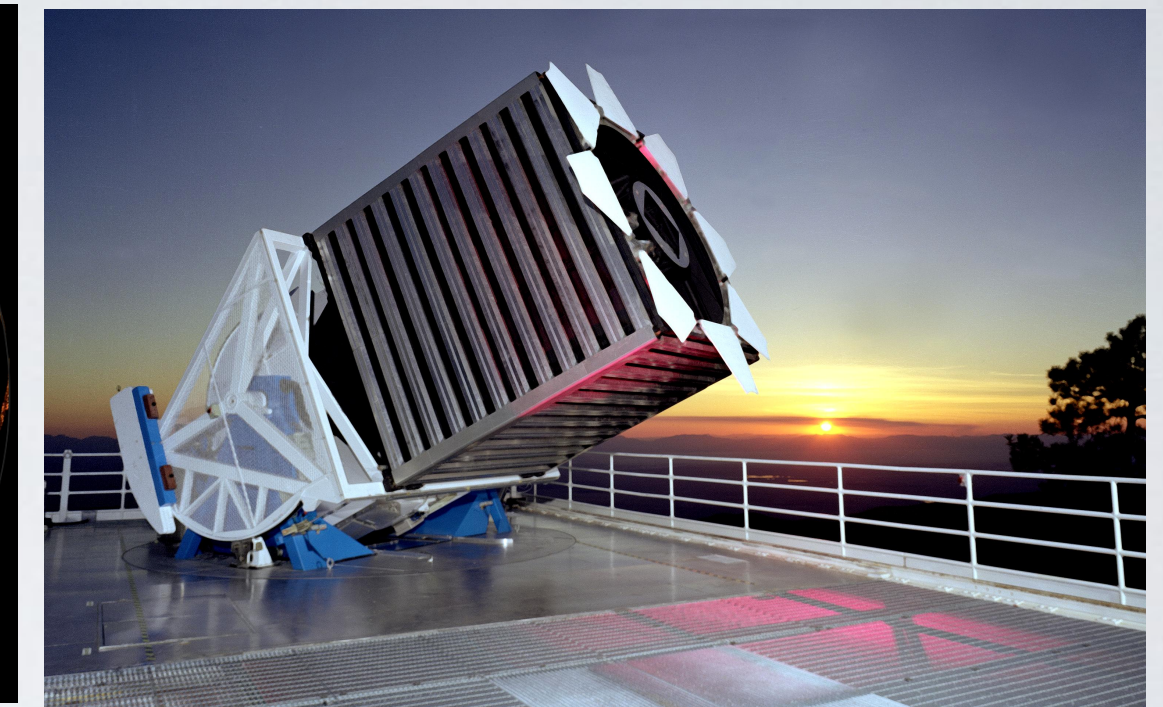
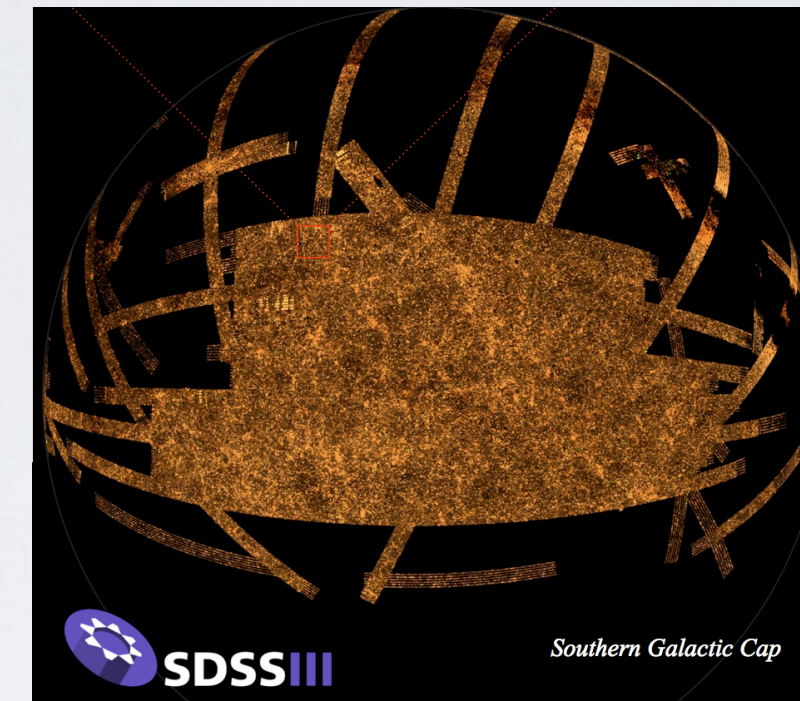
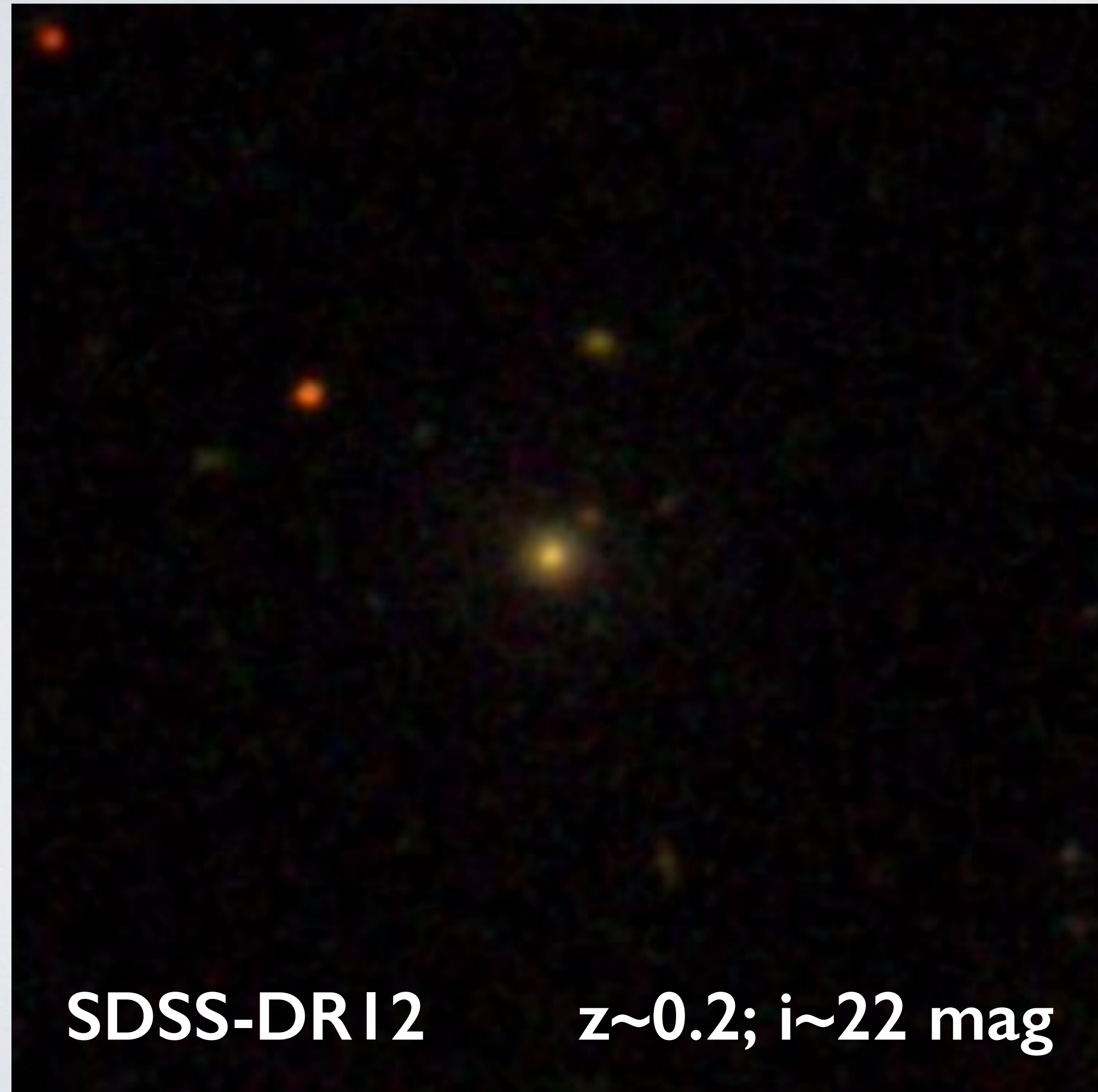


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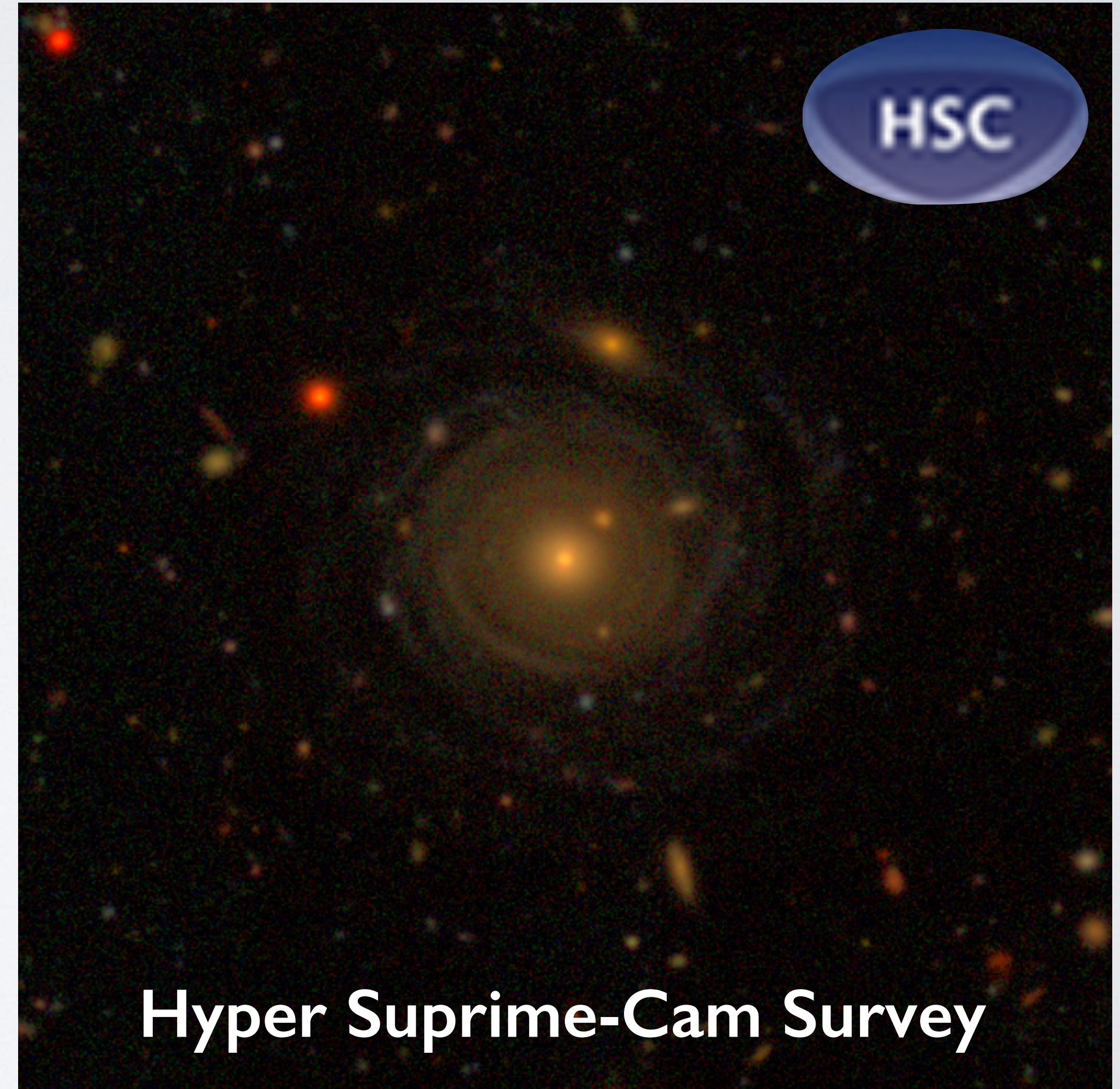
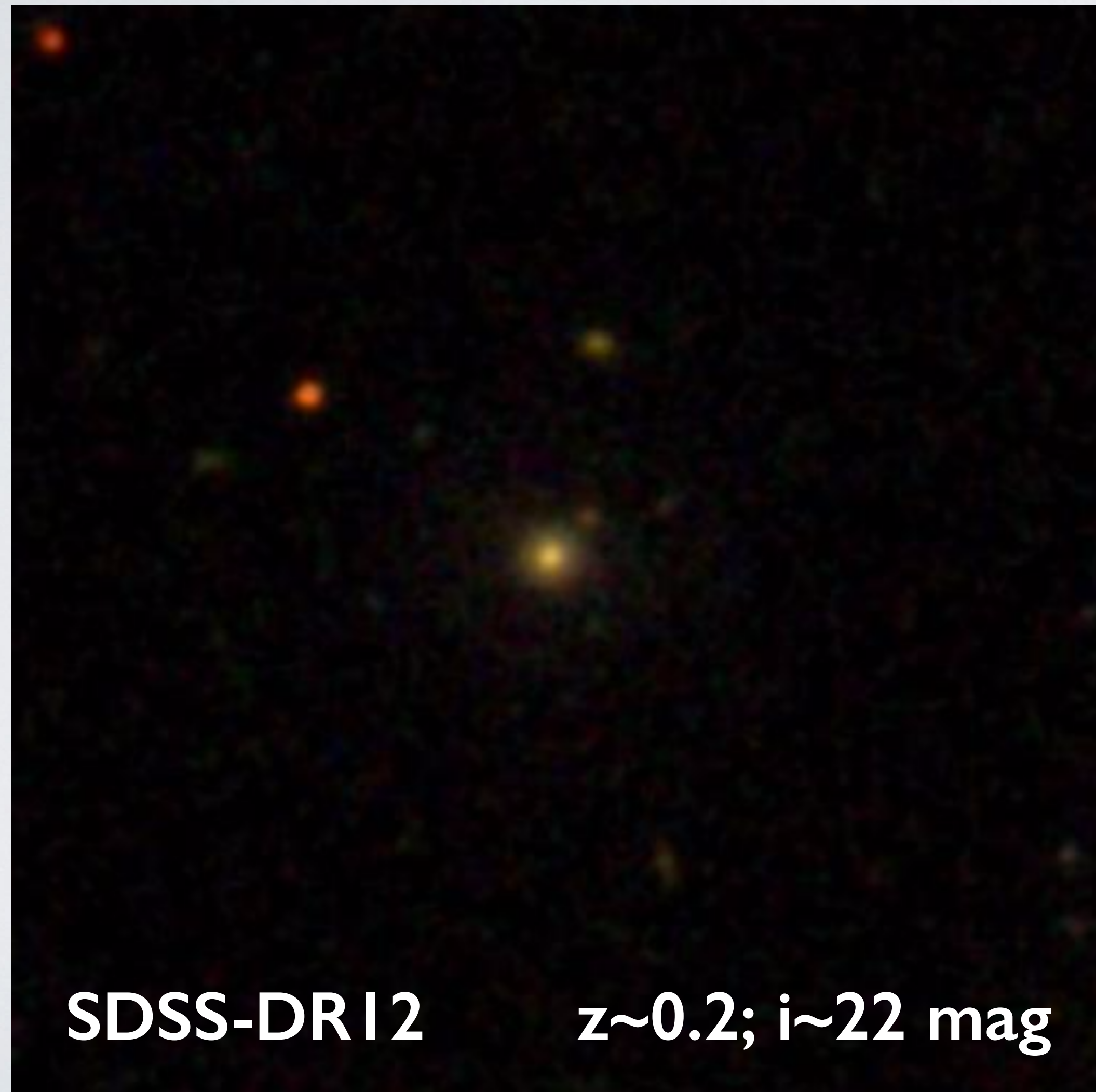
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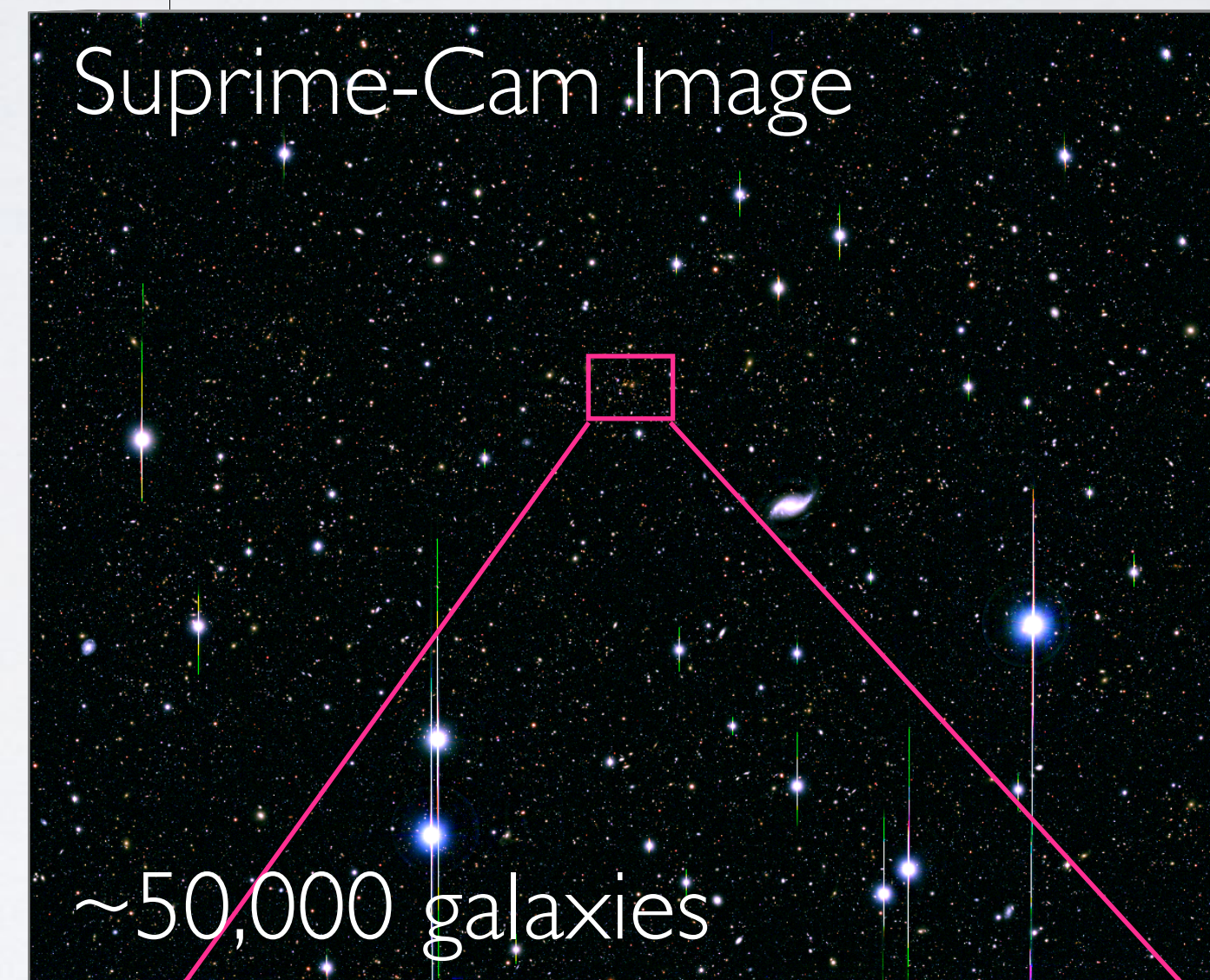
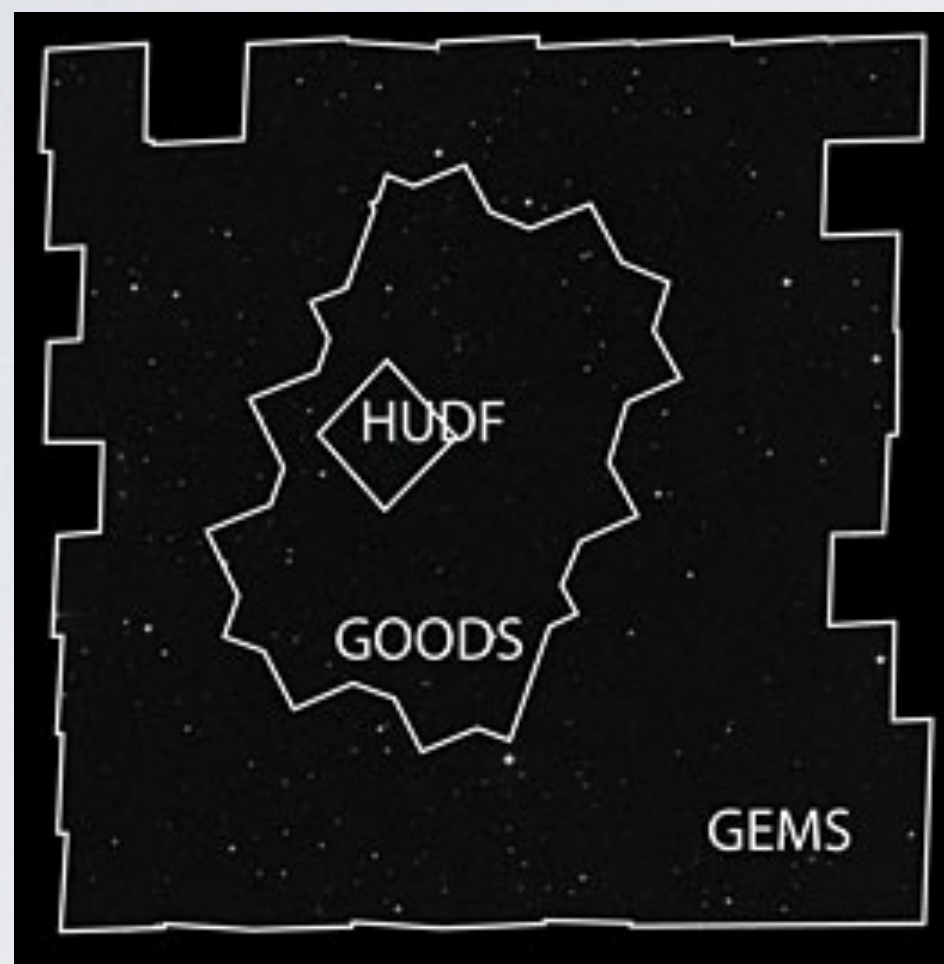


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## Subaru Telescope: wide field of view & excellent image quality

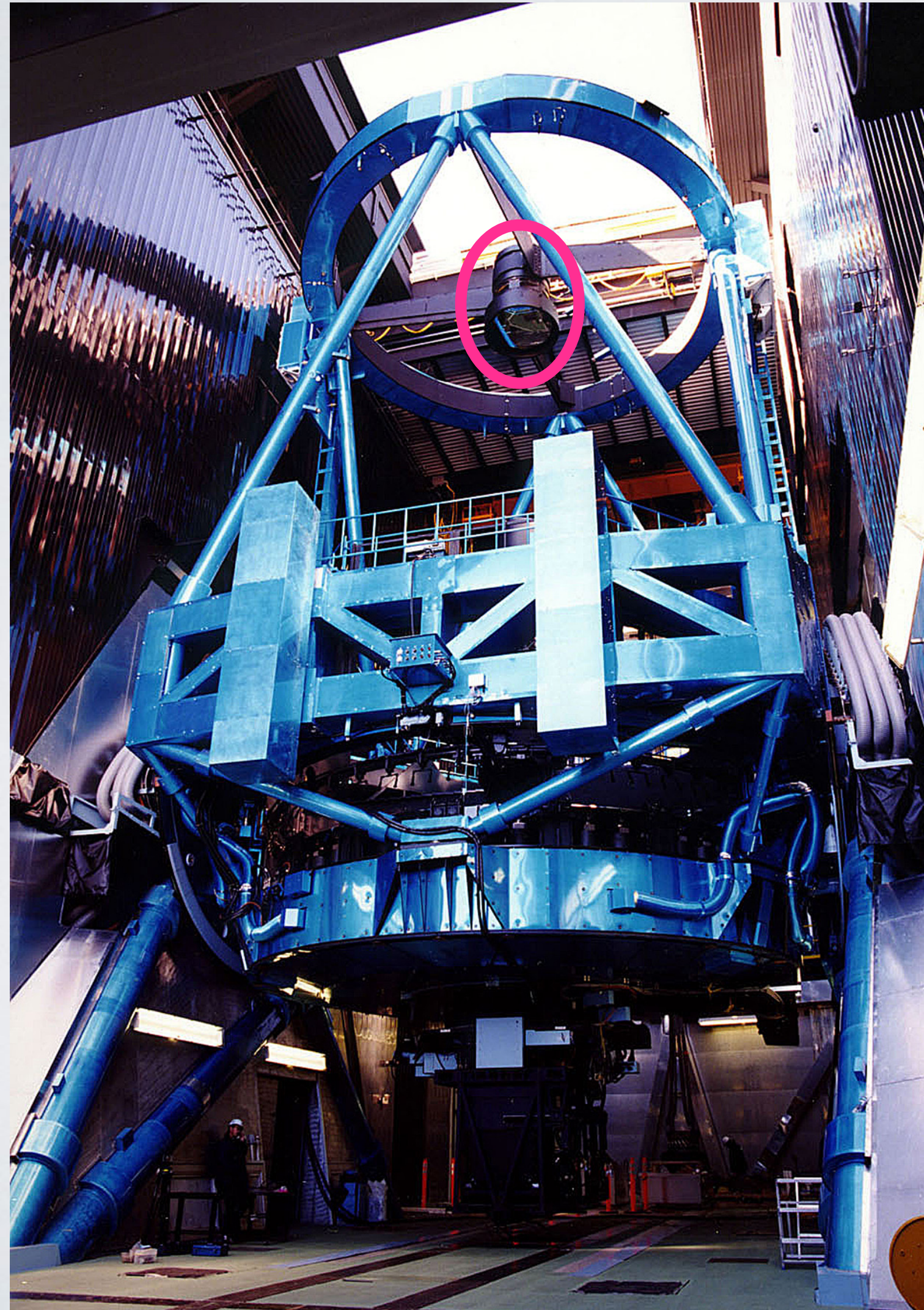


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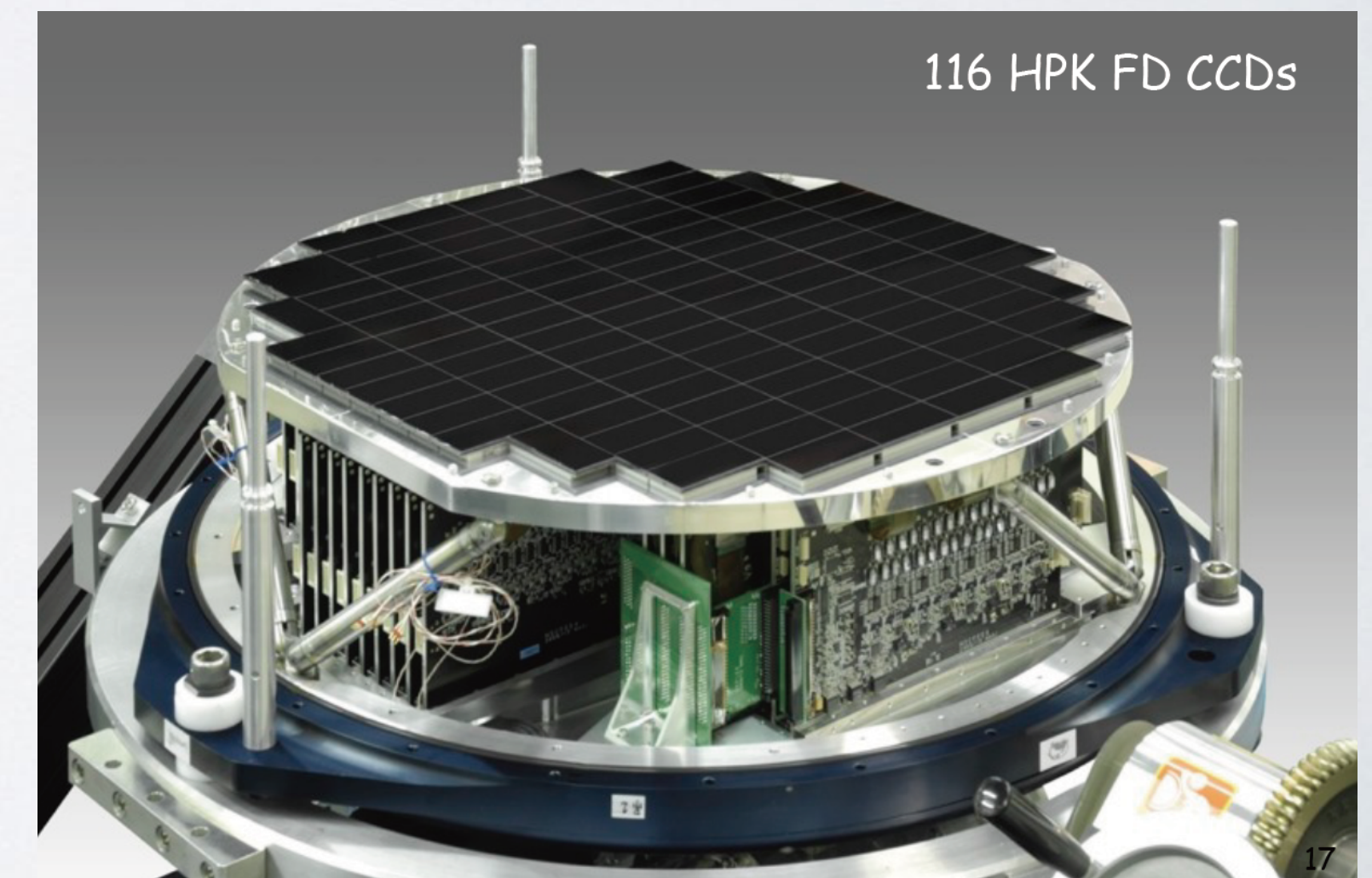
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# UPGRADE: HYPER SUPRIME-CAMERA

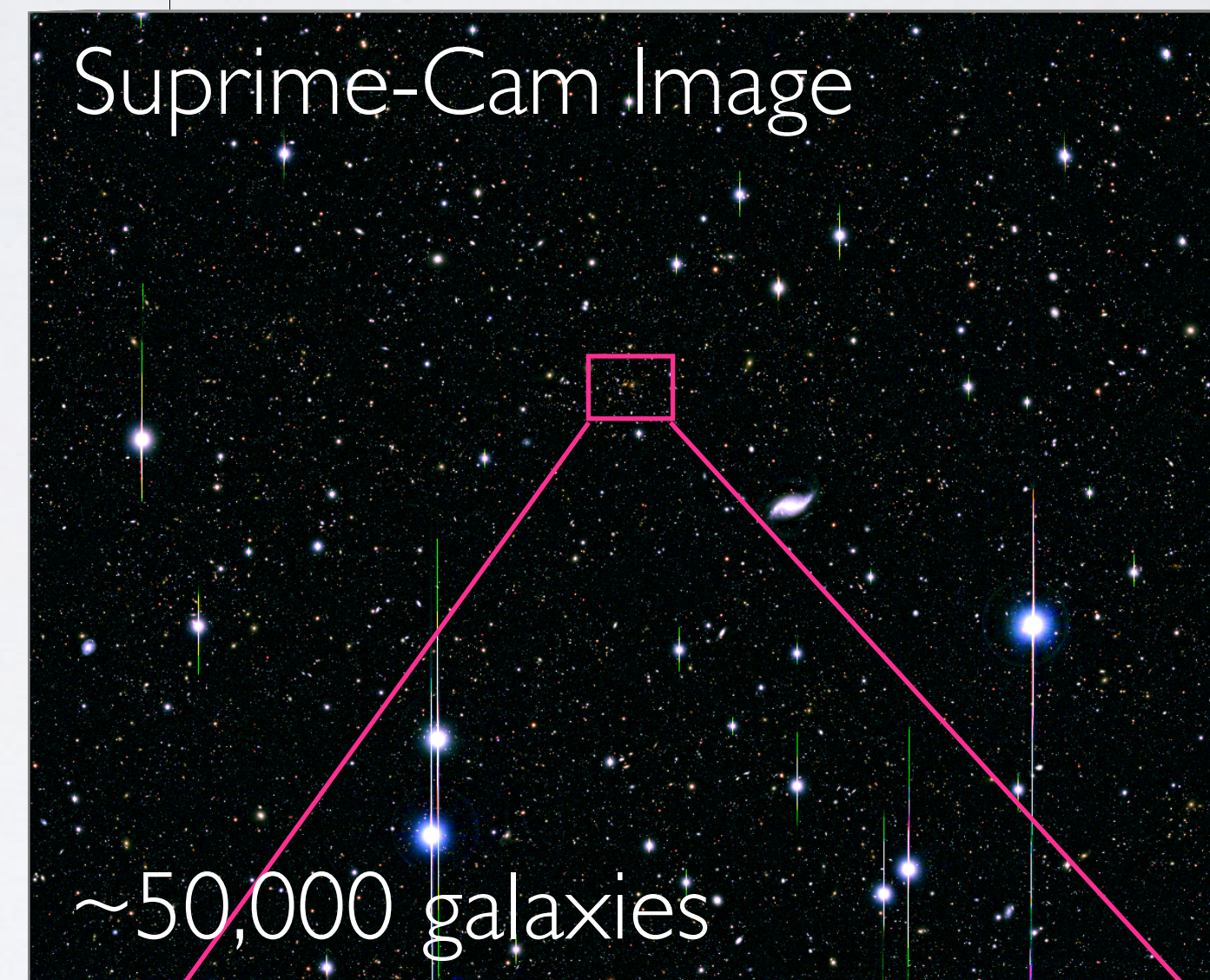
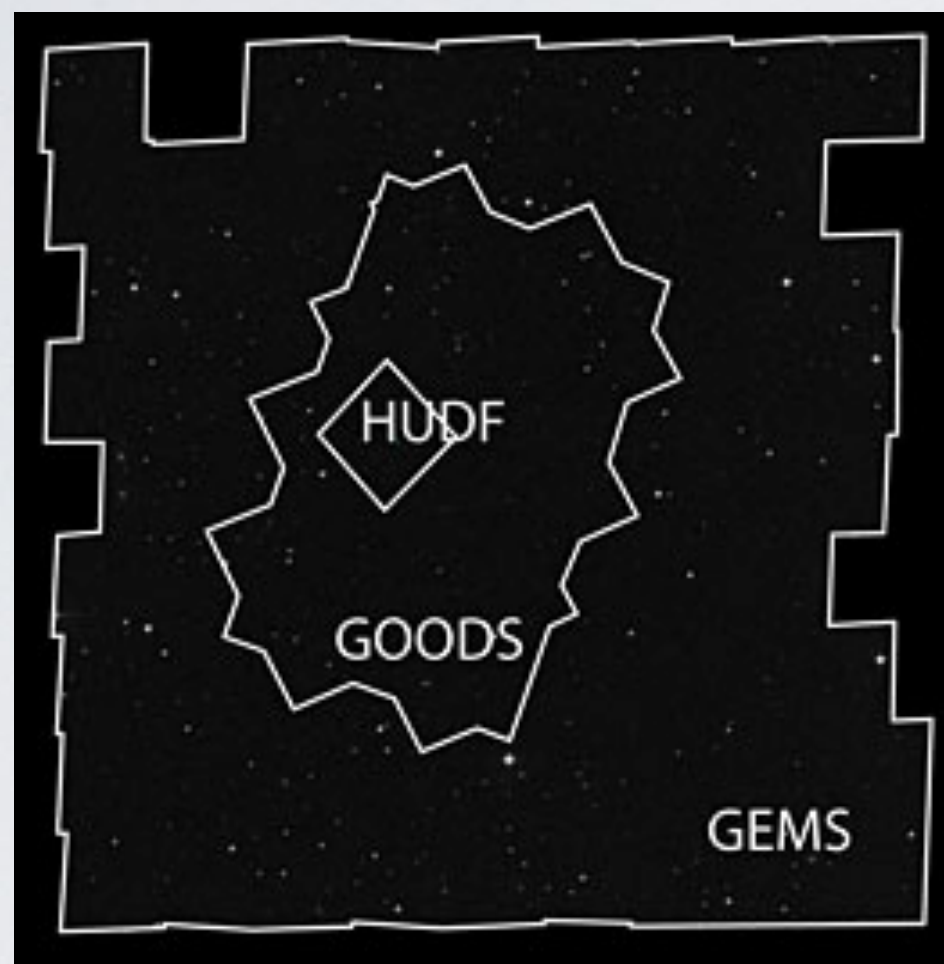


- world's largest camera
- 3m high
- weigh 3 ton
- 116 CCDs
- ~0.9B pixels



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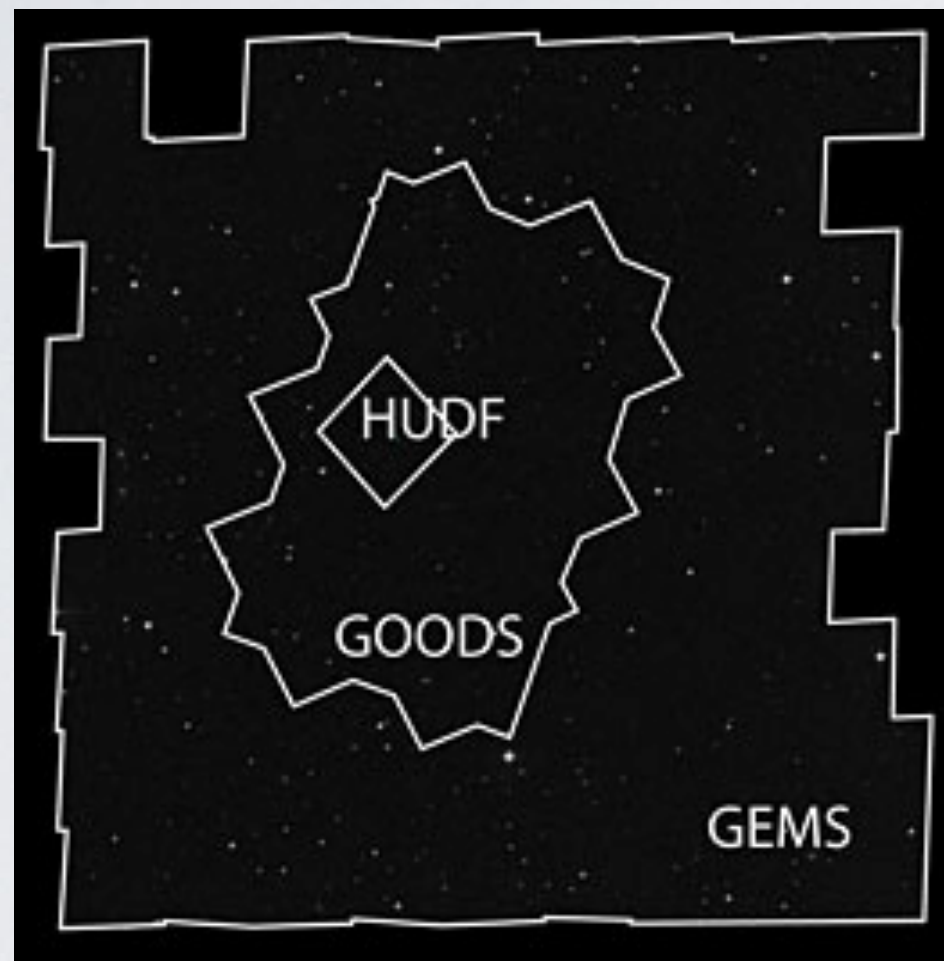
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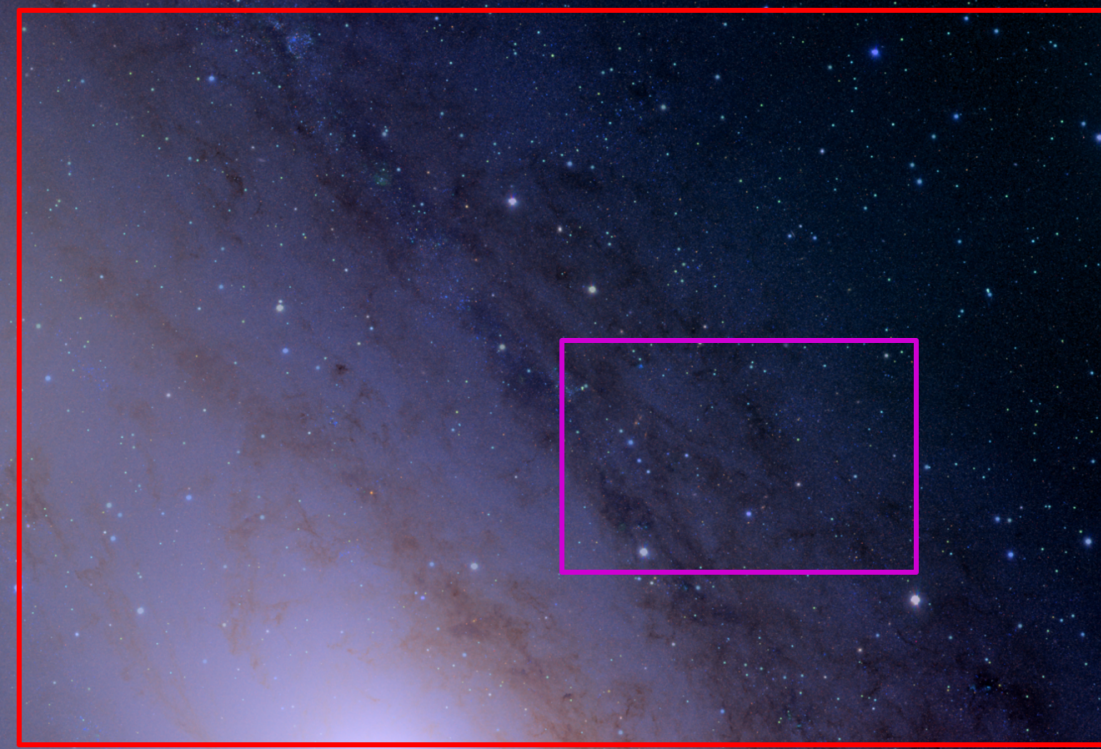


**HSC : FOV  $\sim 1.8 \text{ deg}^2$**

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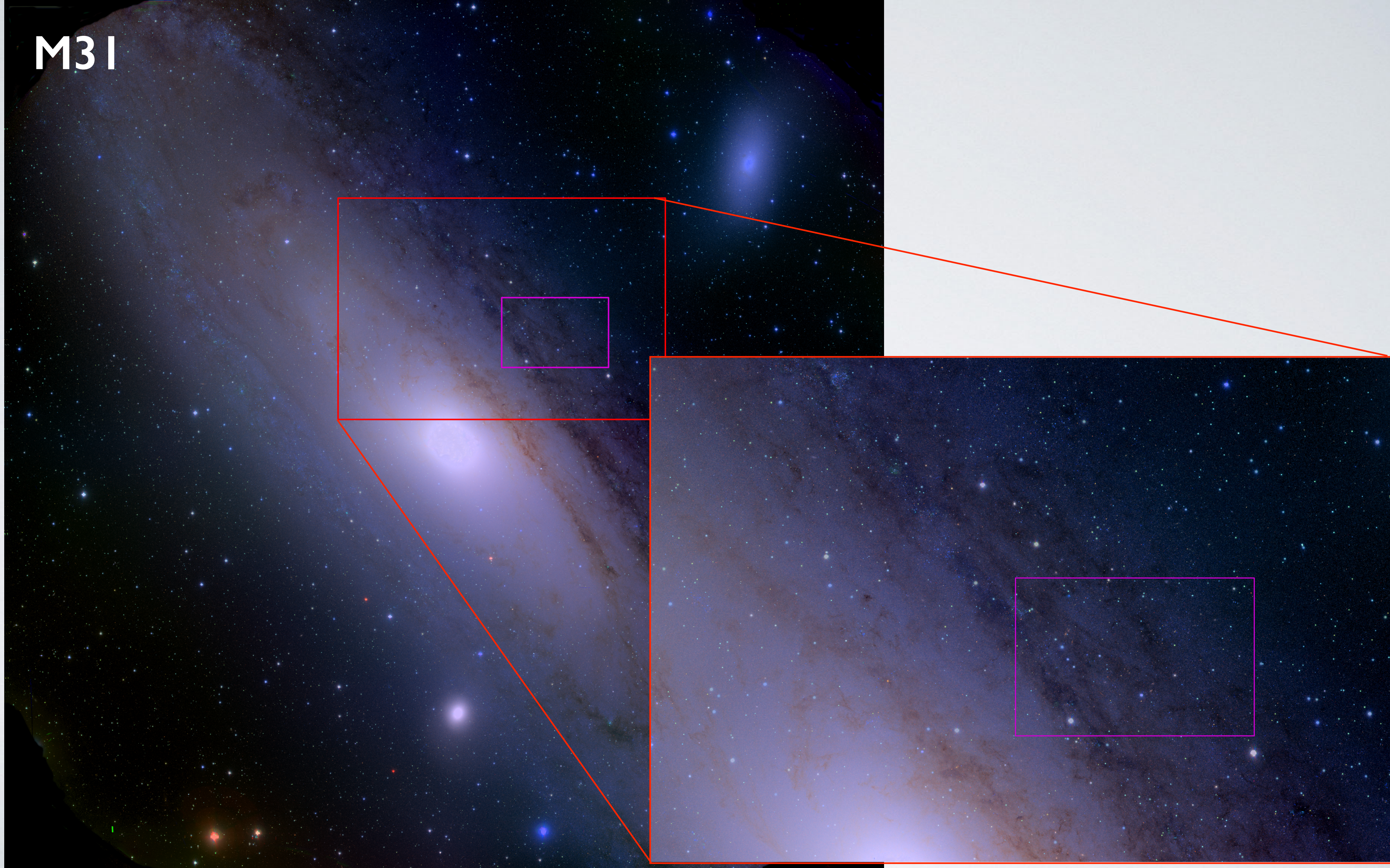
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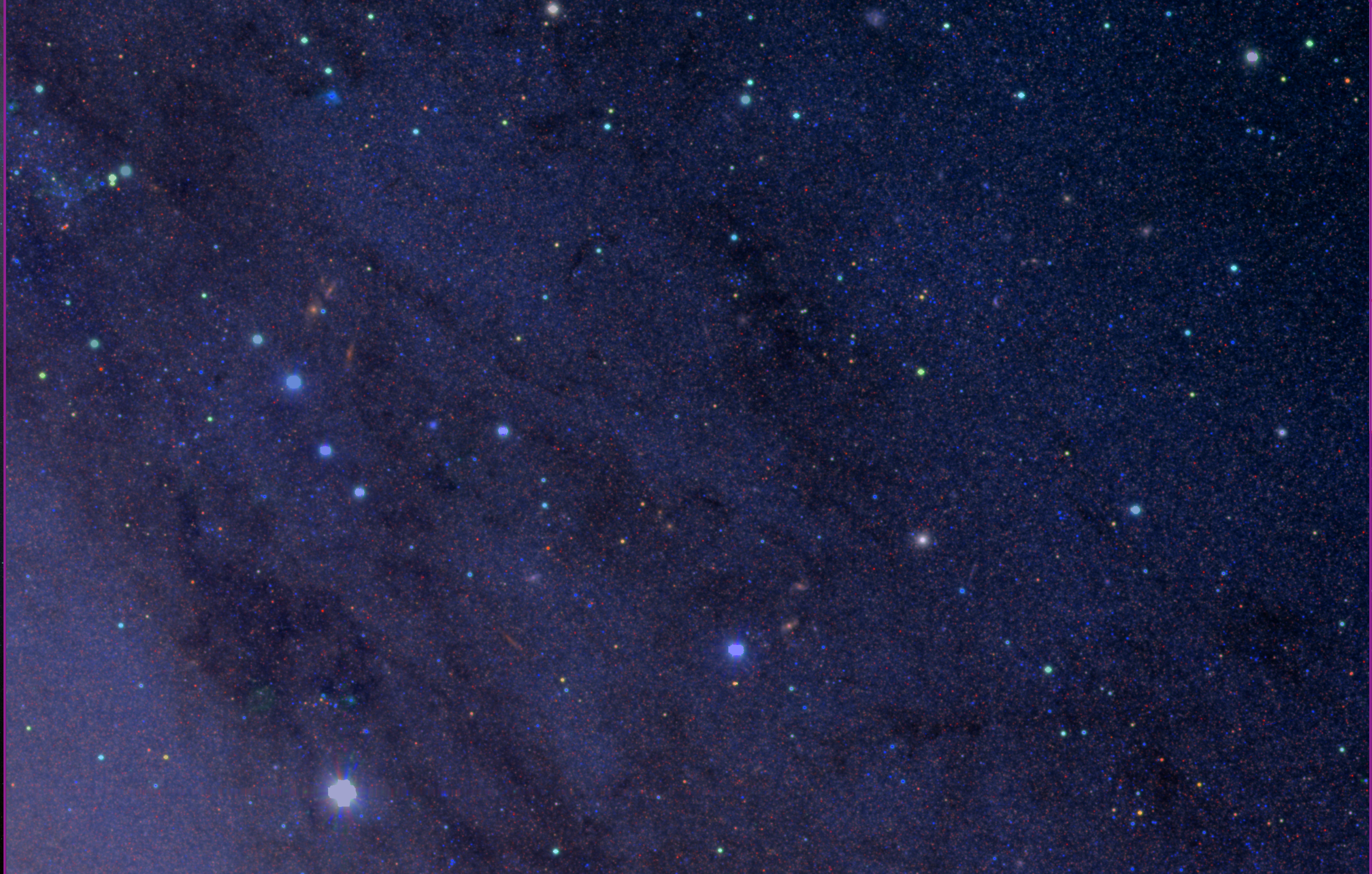


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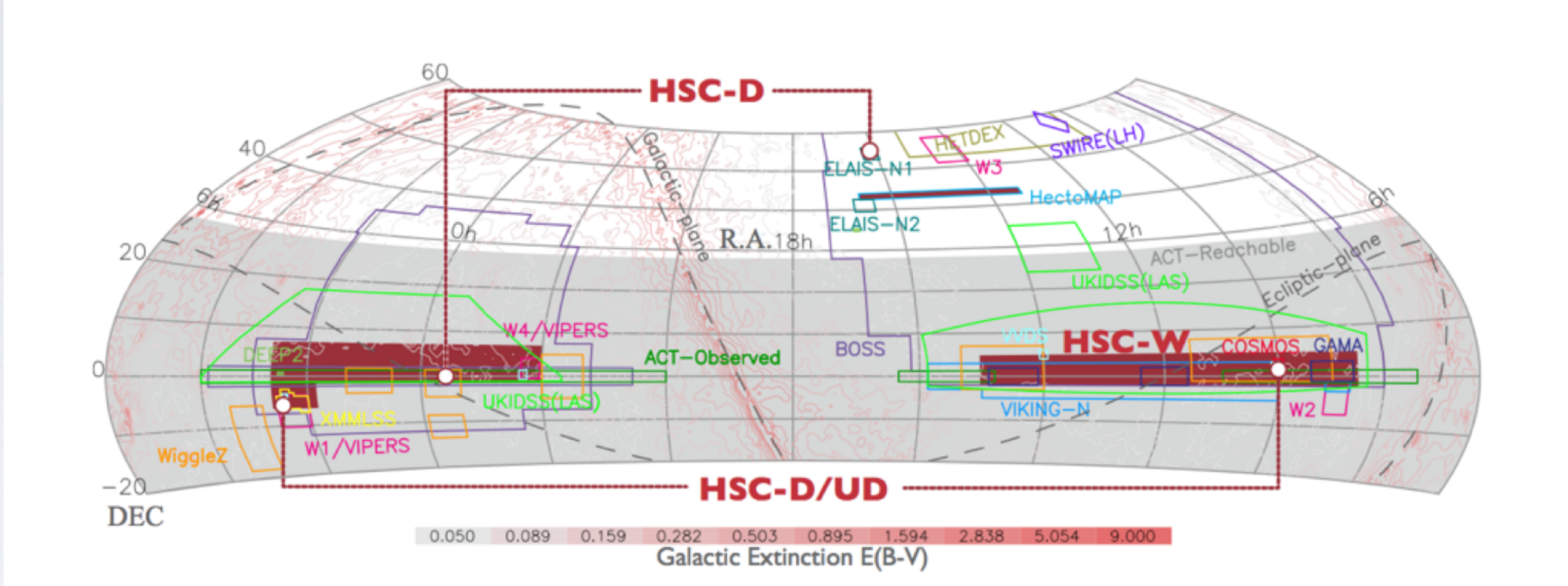
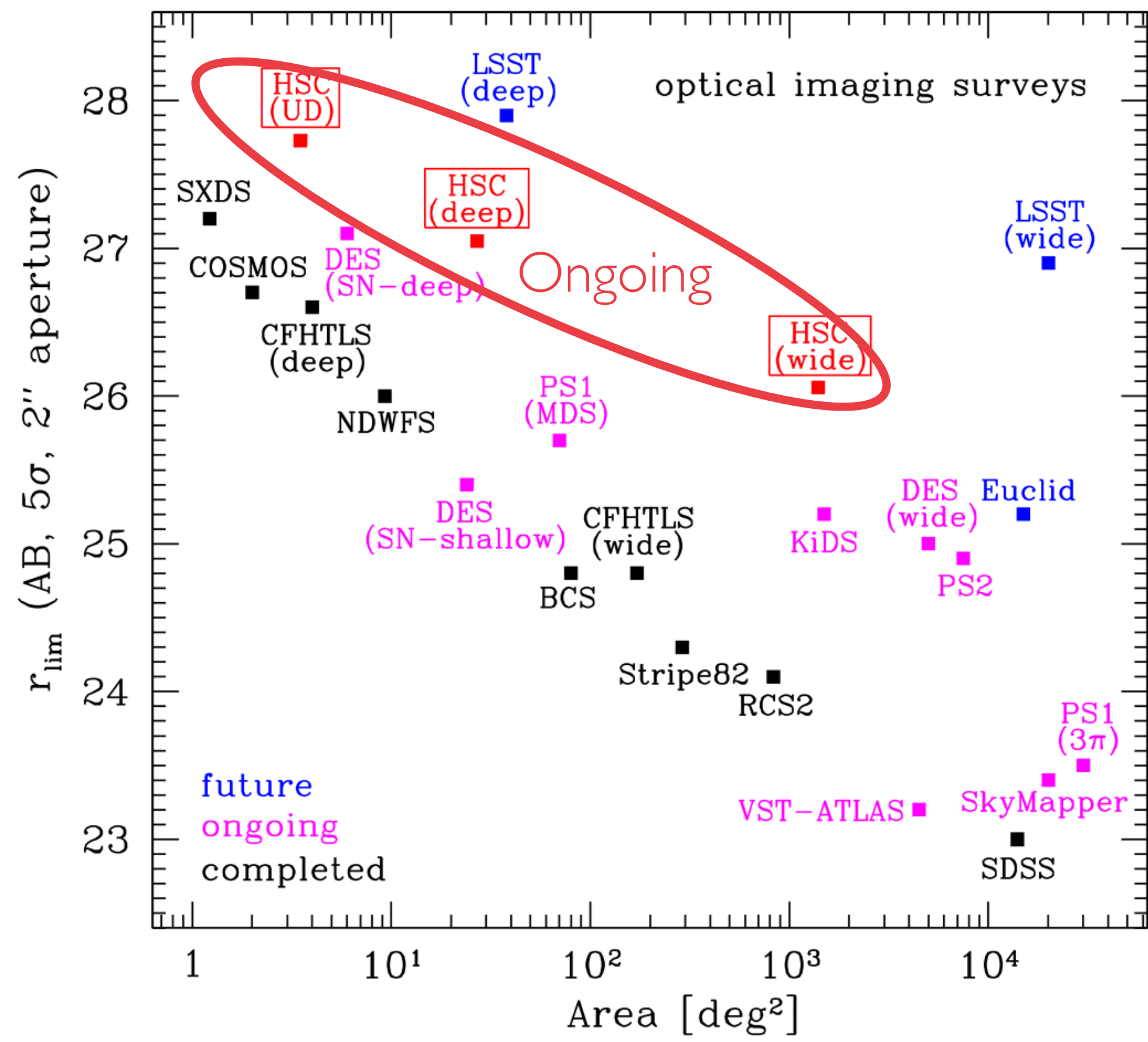
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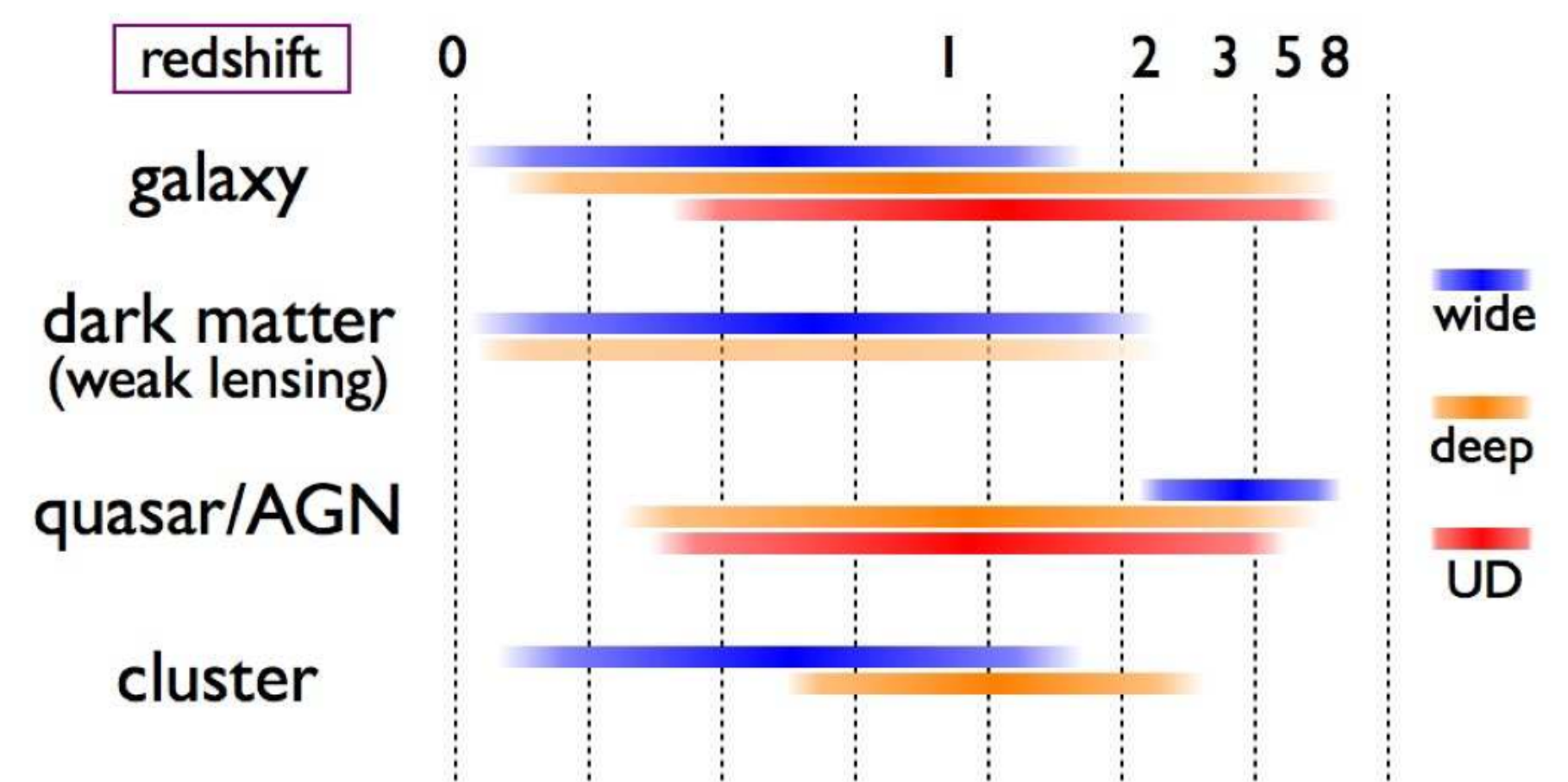




300 night survey: 5 years  
 ~2 million sources /  $deg^2$

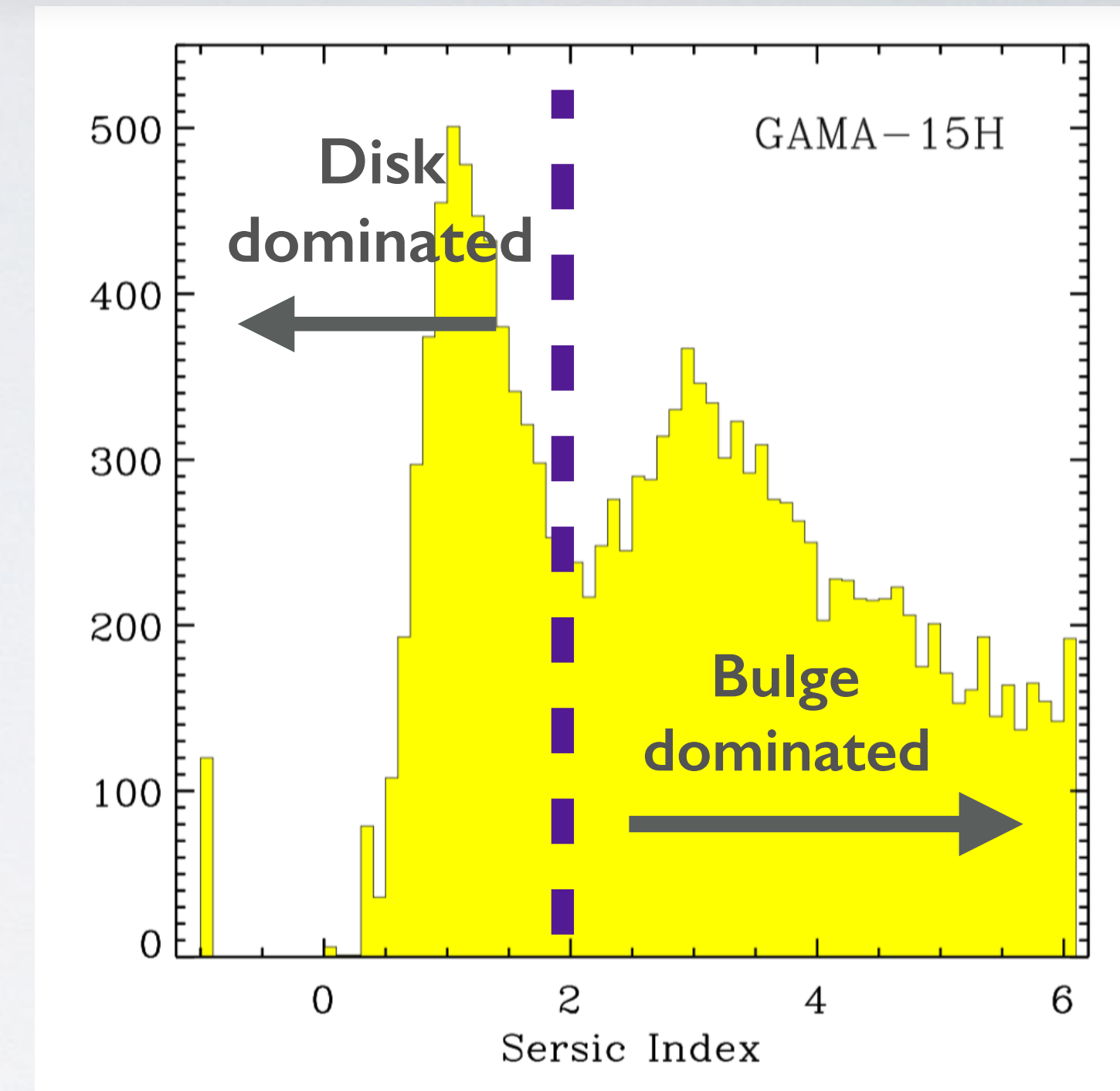
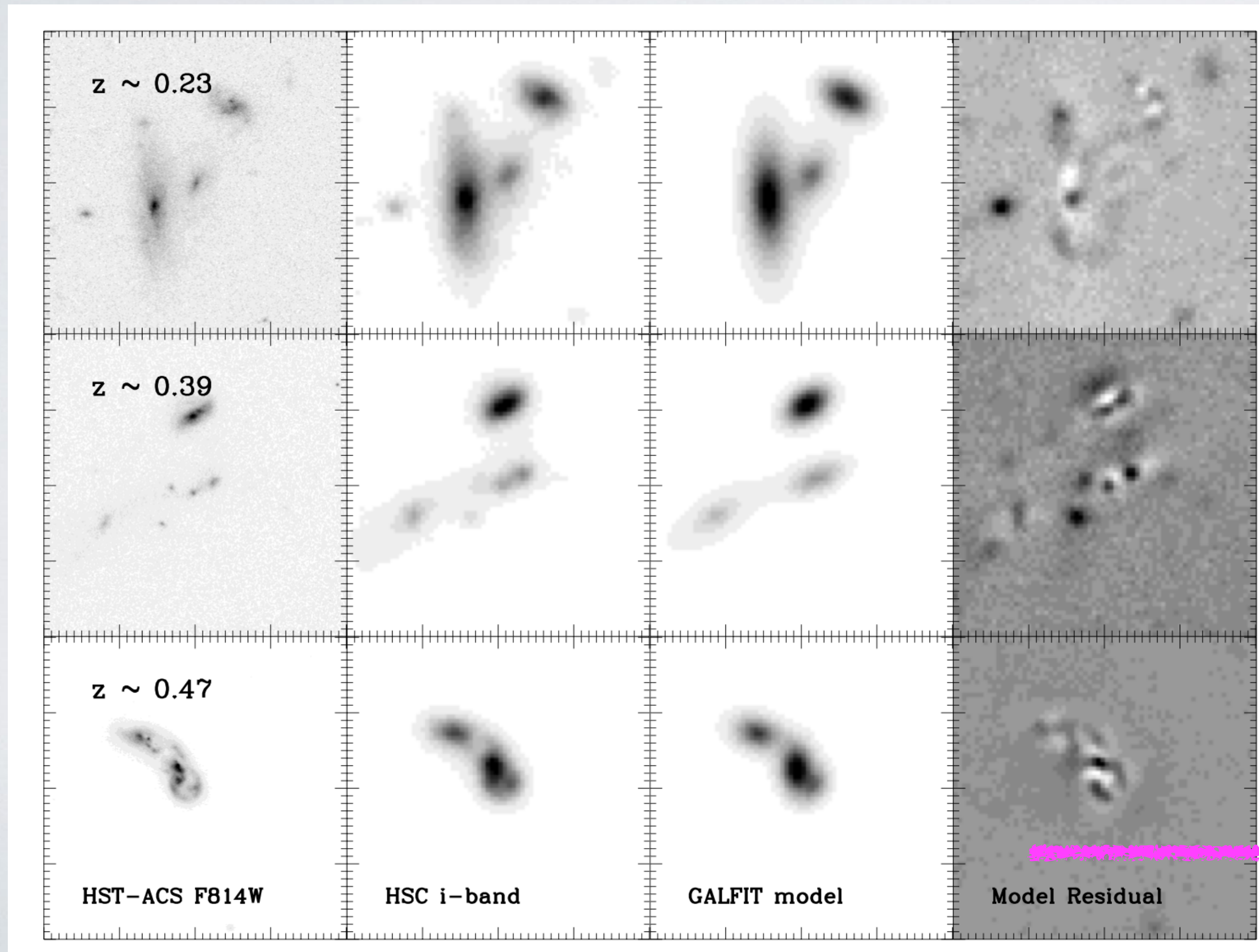
Wide: 1400  $deg^2$  ( $i=25.9$ , grizy) for WL cosmology  
 Deep: 27  $deg^2$  ( $i=26.8$ , grizy + NB)  
 Ultra Deep: 3.5  $deg^2$  ( $i=27.4$ , grizy + NB)

Public DR1 now available: 100  $deg^2$



# BIG DATA PROBLEMS: AUTOMATED MORPHOLOGIES IN HSC

## Validation of 2D morphologies using GALFIT analysis of HST and HSC galaxies in COSMOS & AEGIS



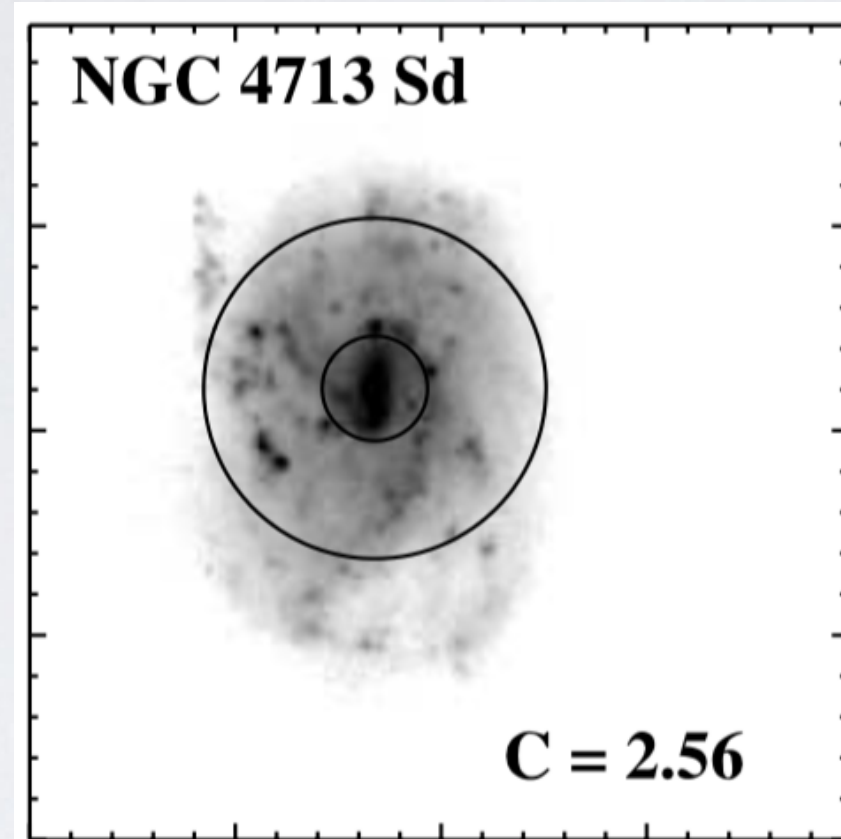
- $i < 22$  mags in HSC-WIDE
- All spec-z selected
- $\sim 140,000$  galaxies in first  $\sim 170 \text{deg}^2$

redshift limit  $\sim < 1$

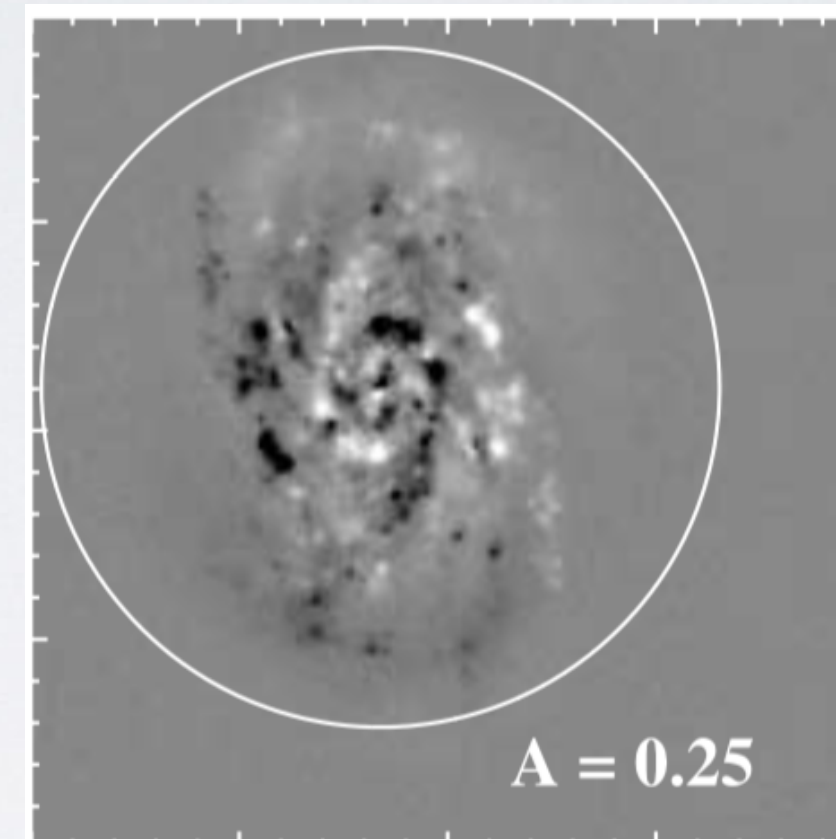
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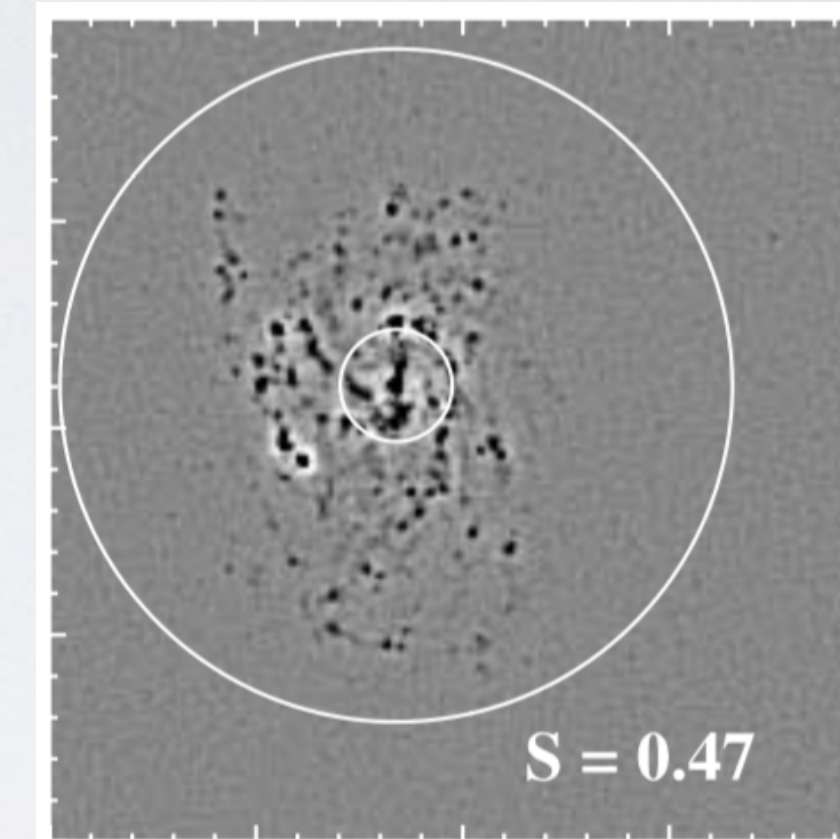
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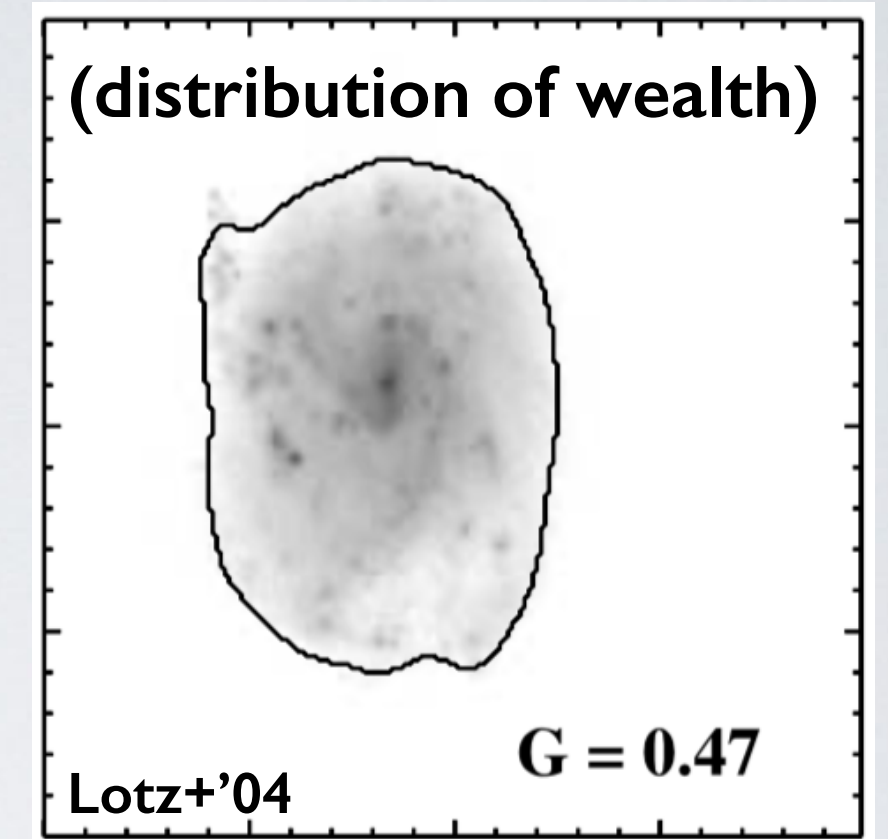
**Asymmetry**



**Smoothness**



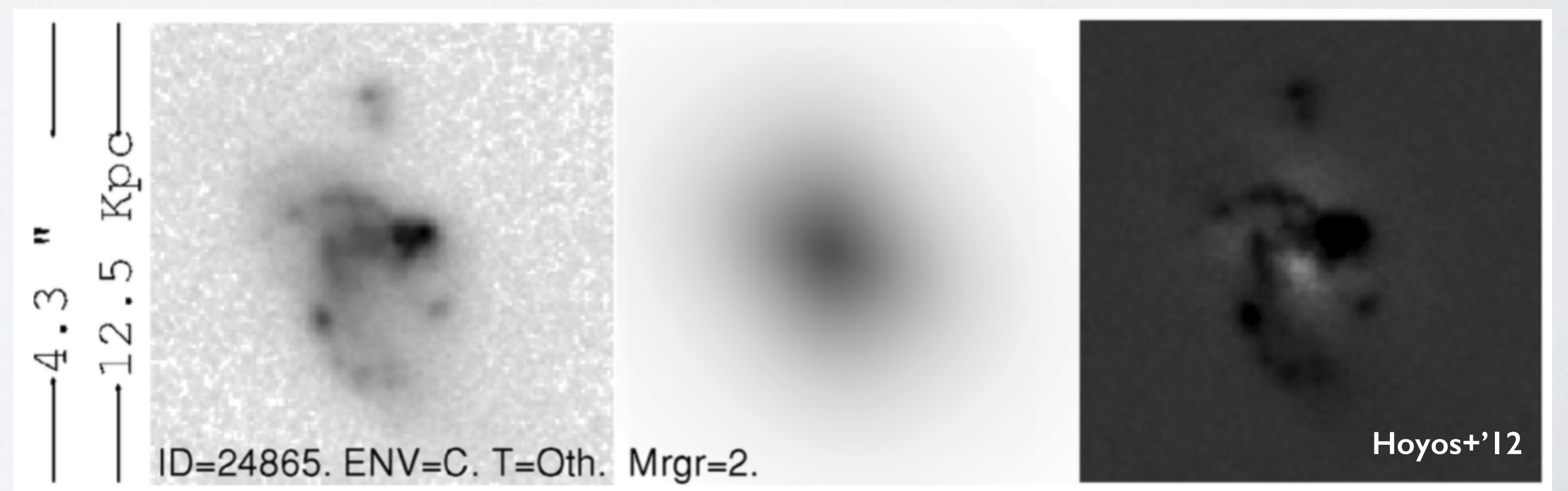
**Gini**



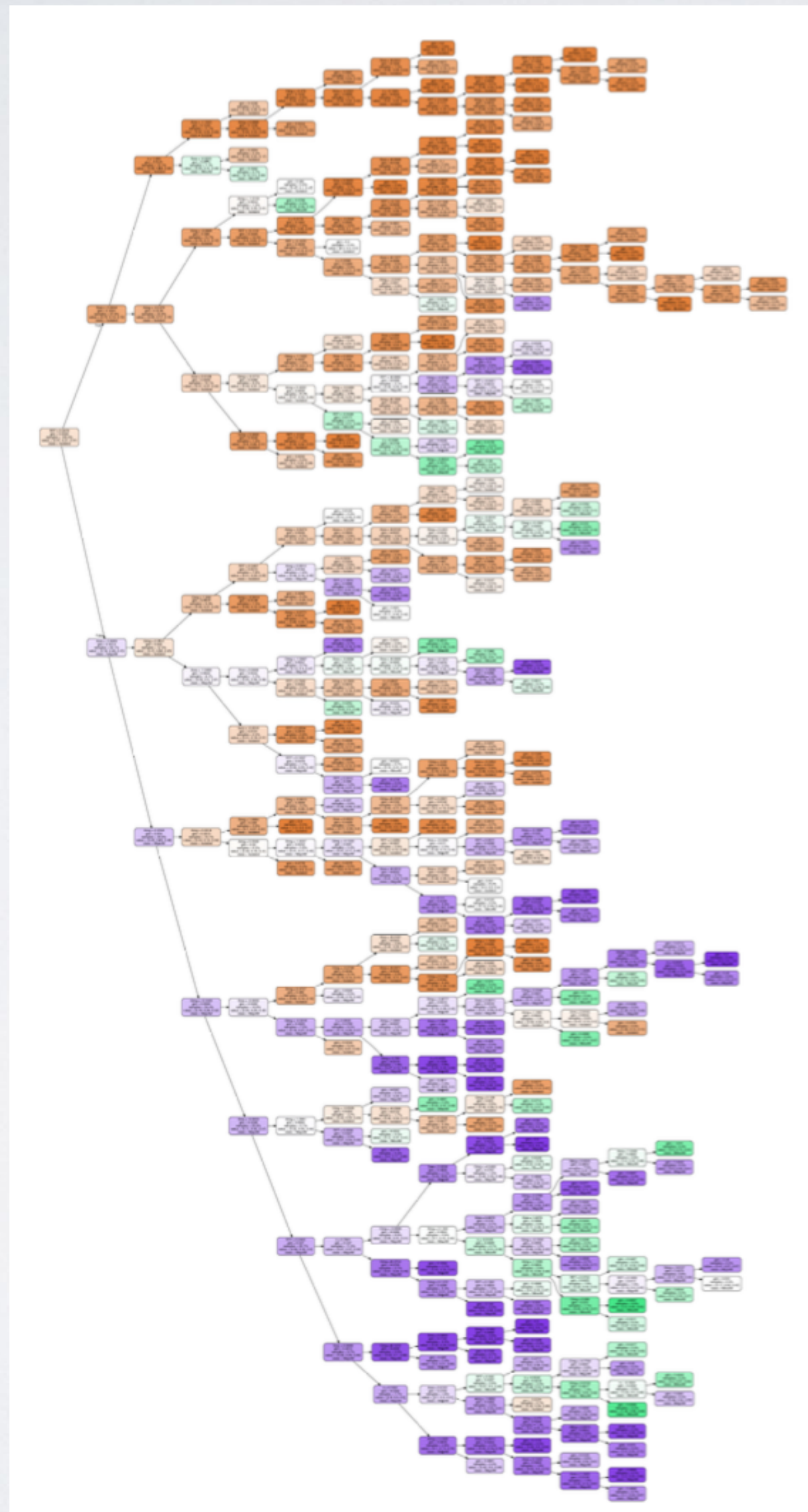
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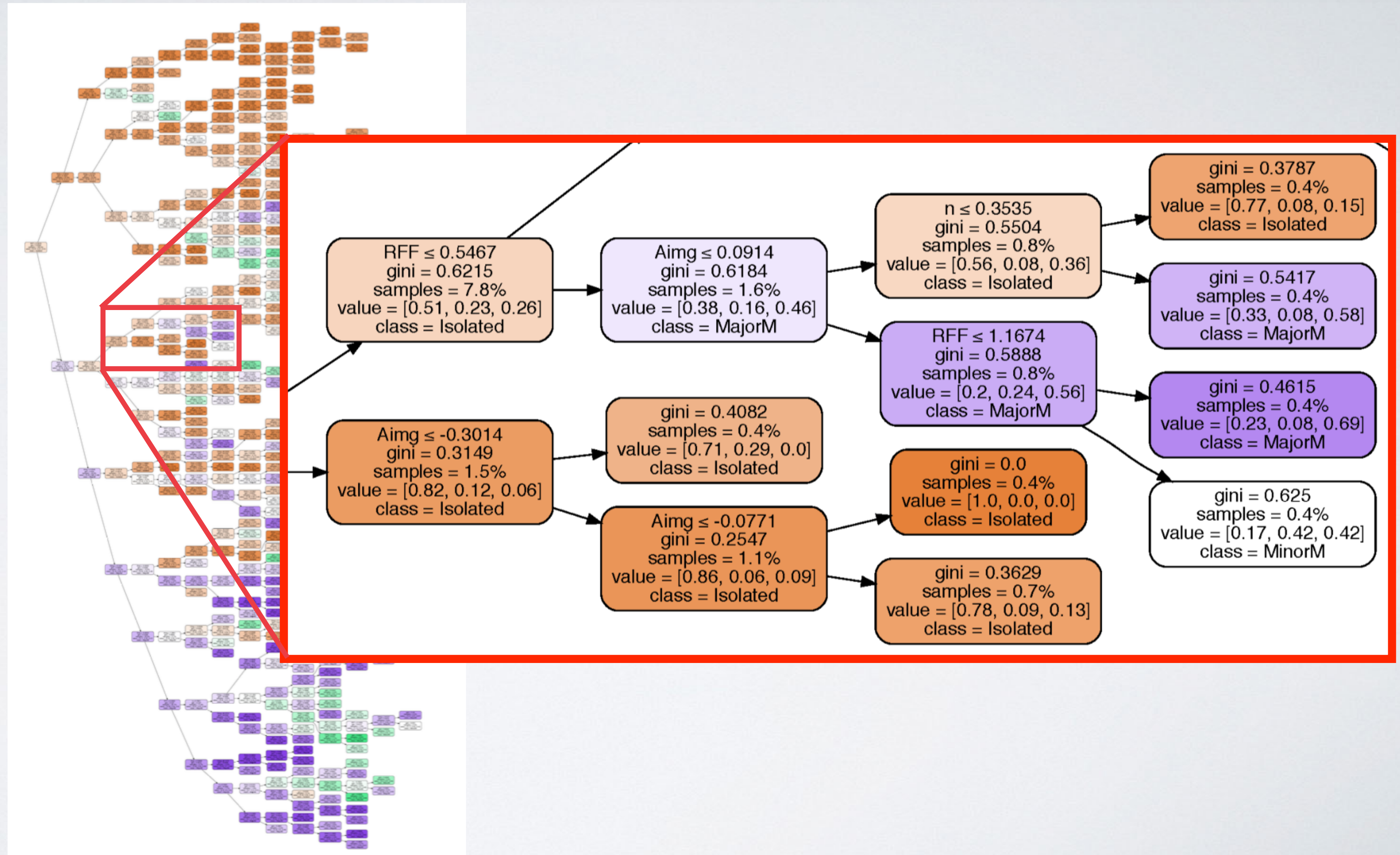
**Residual  
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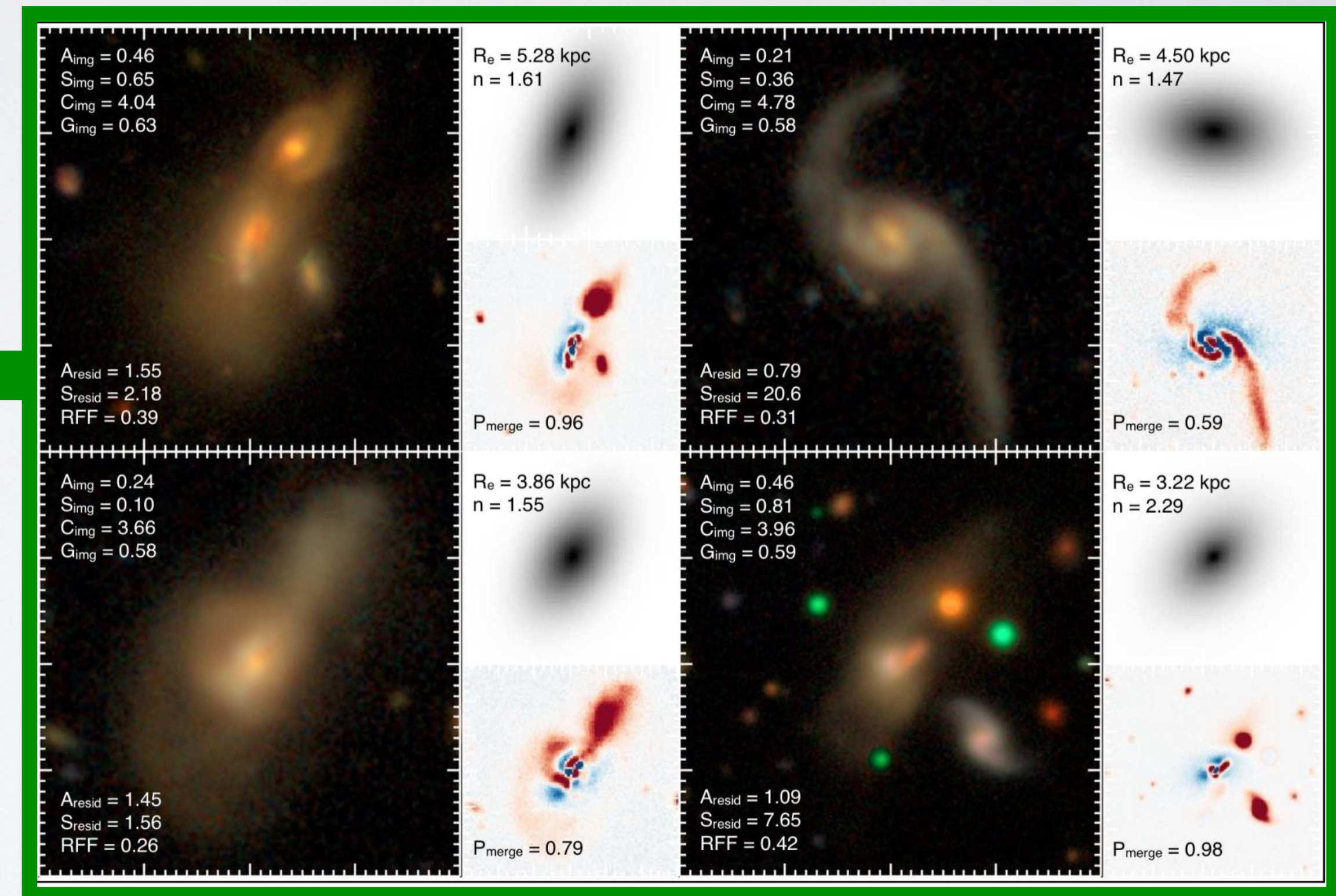
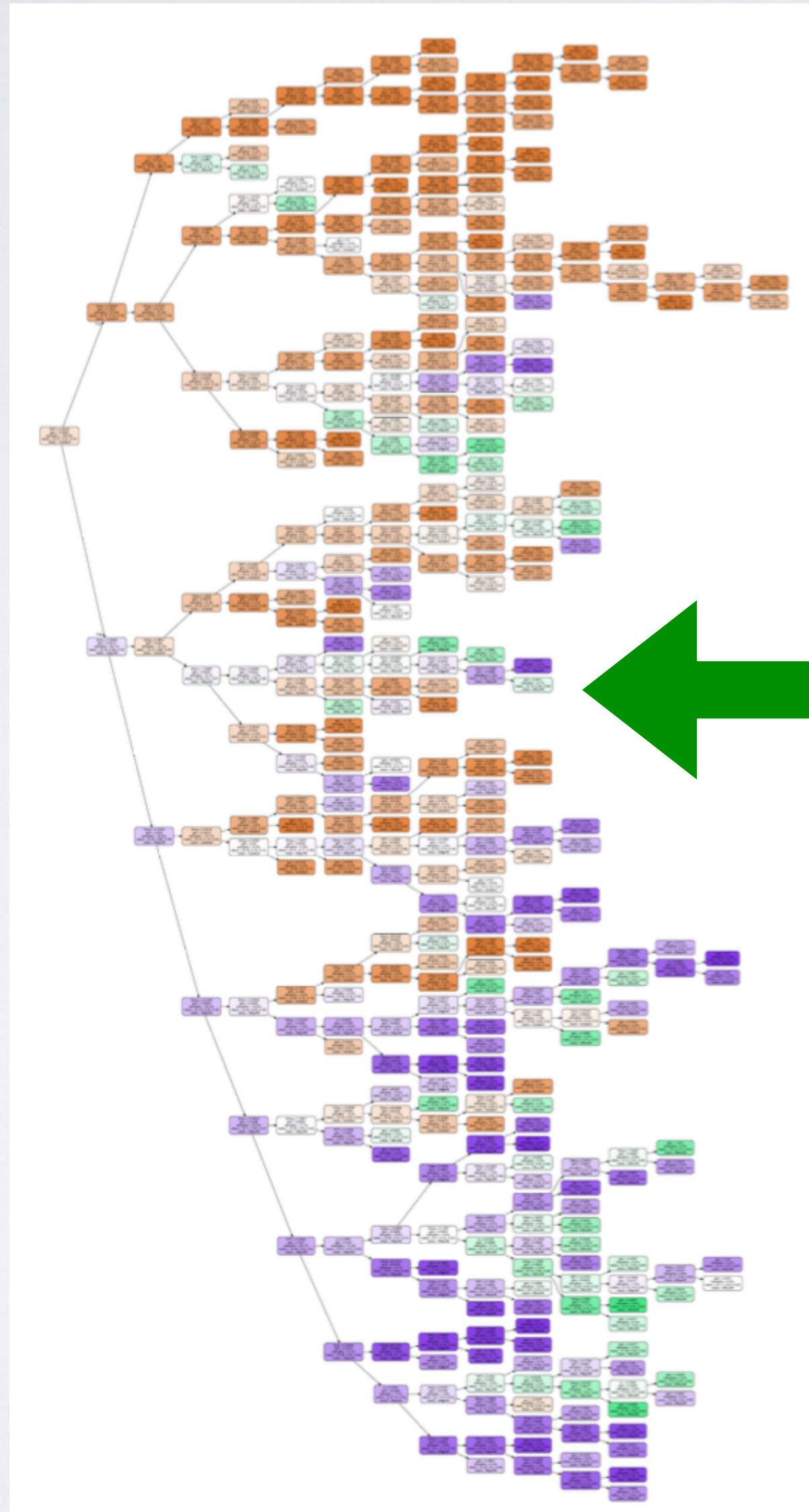
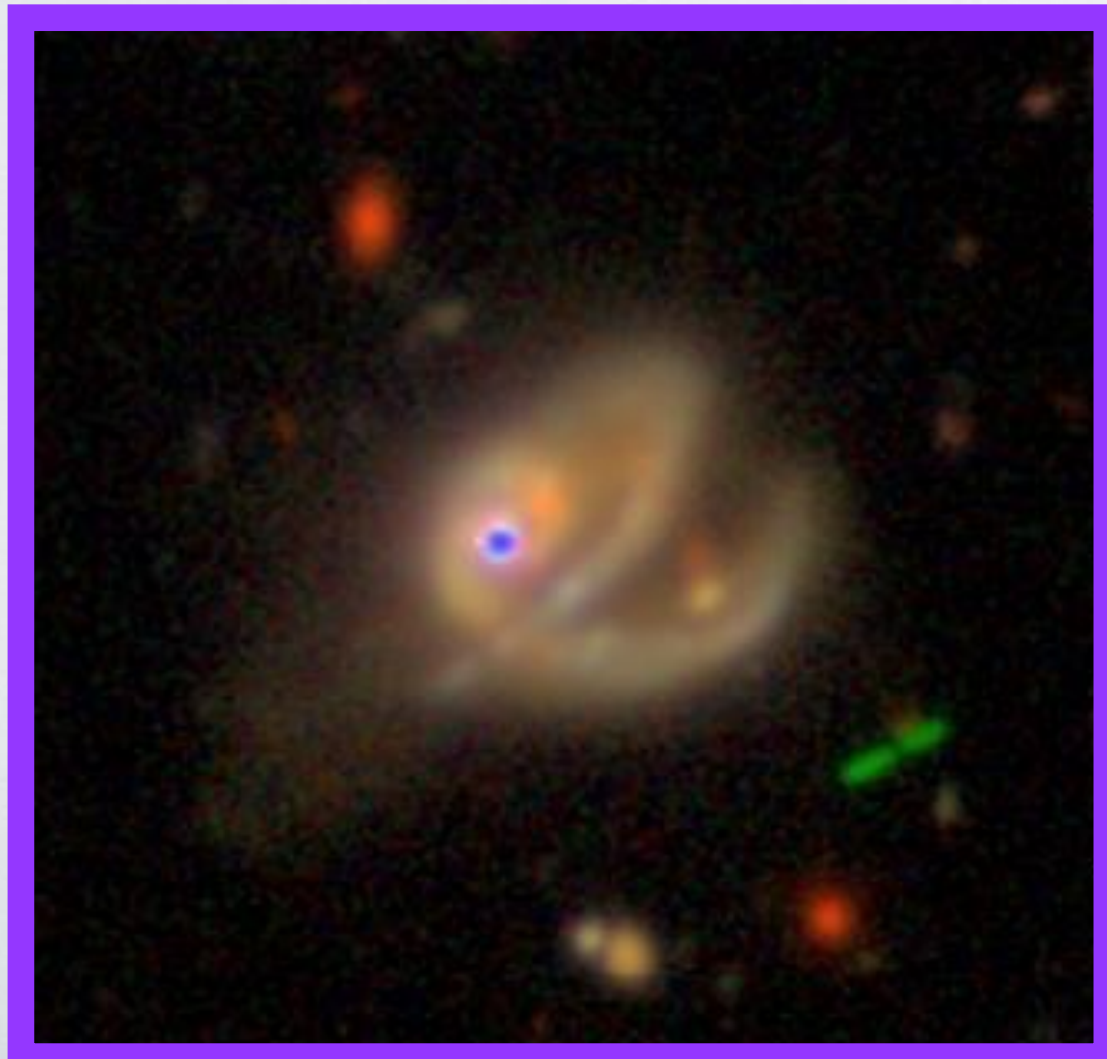
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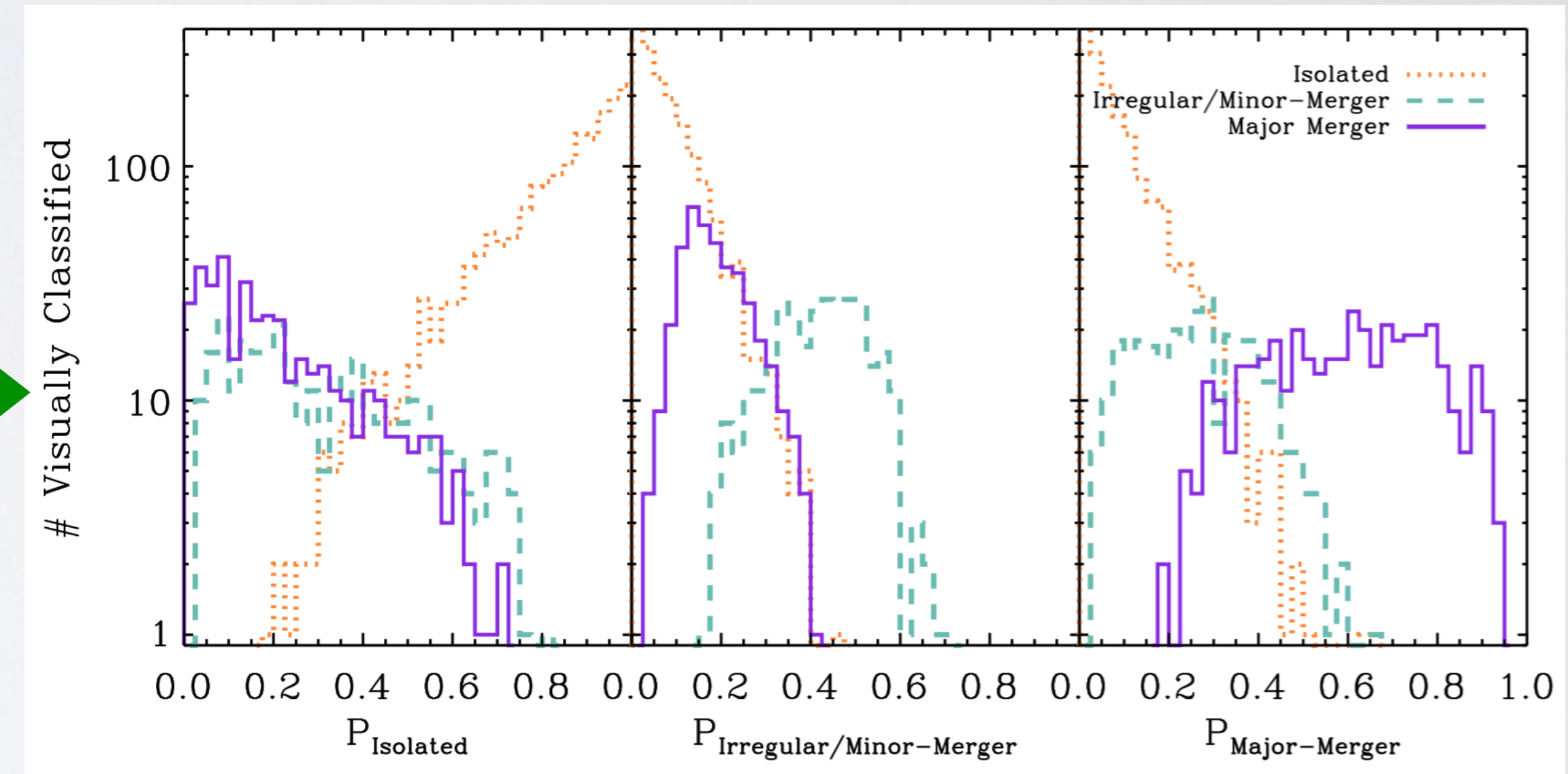
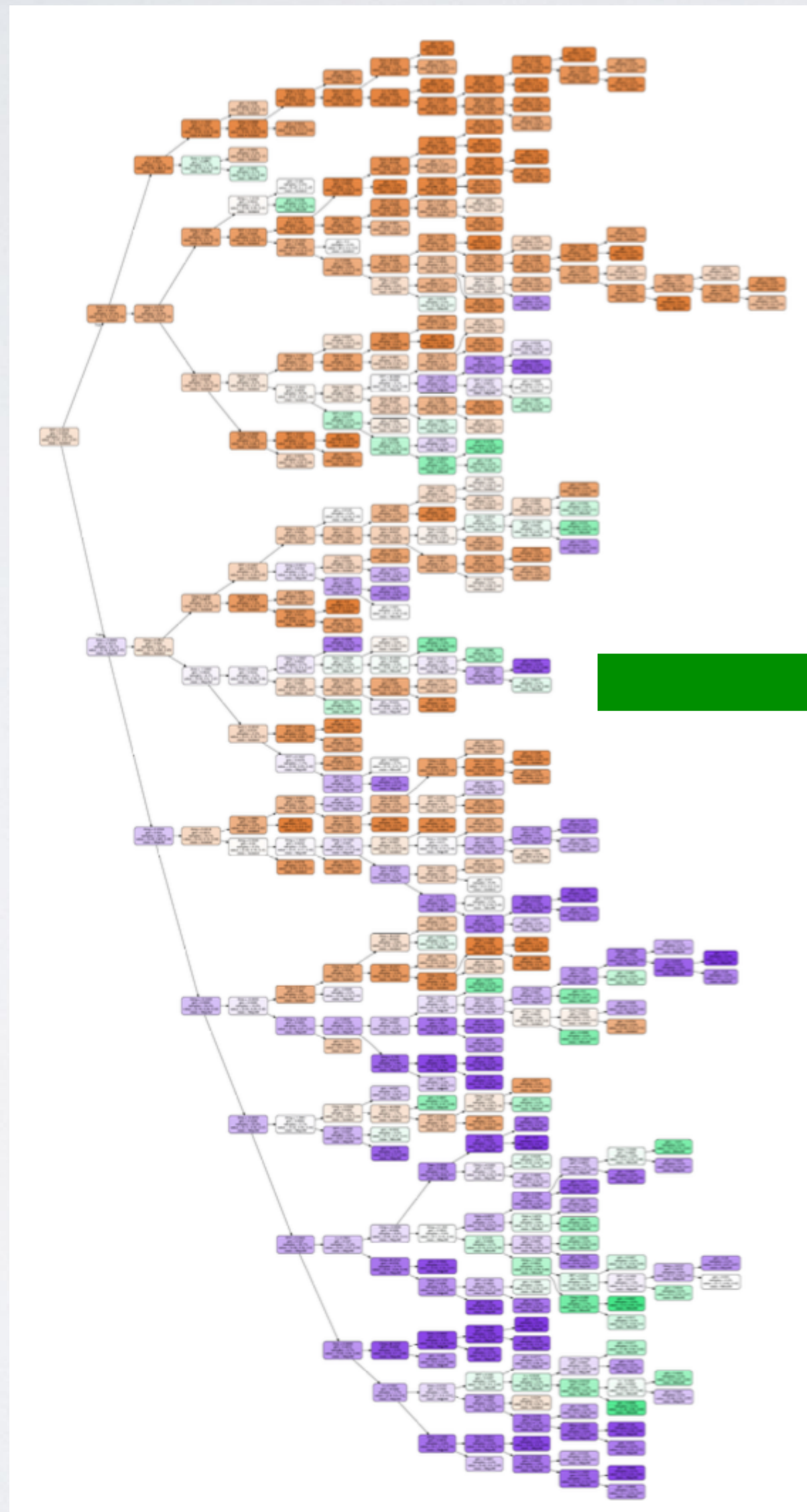
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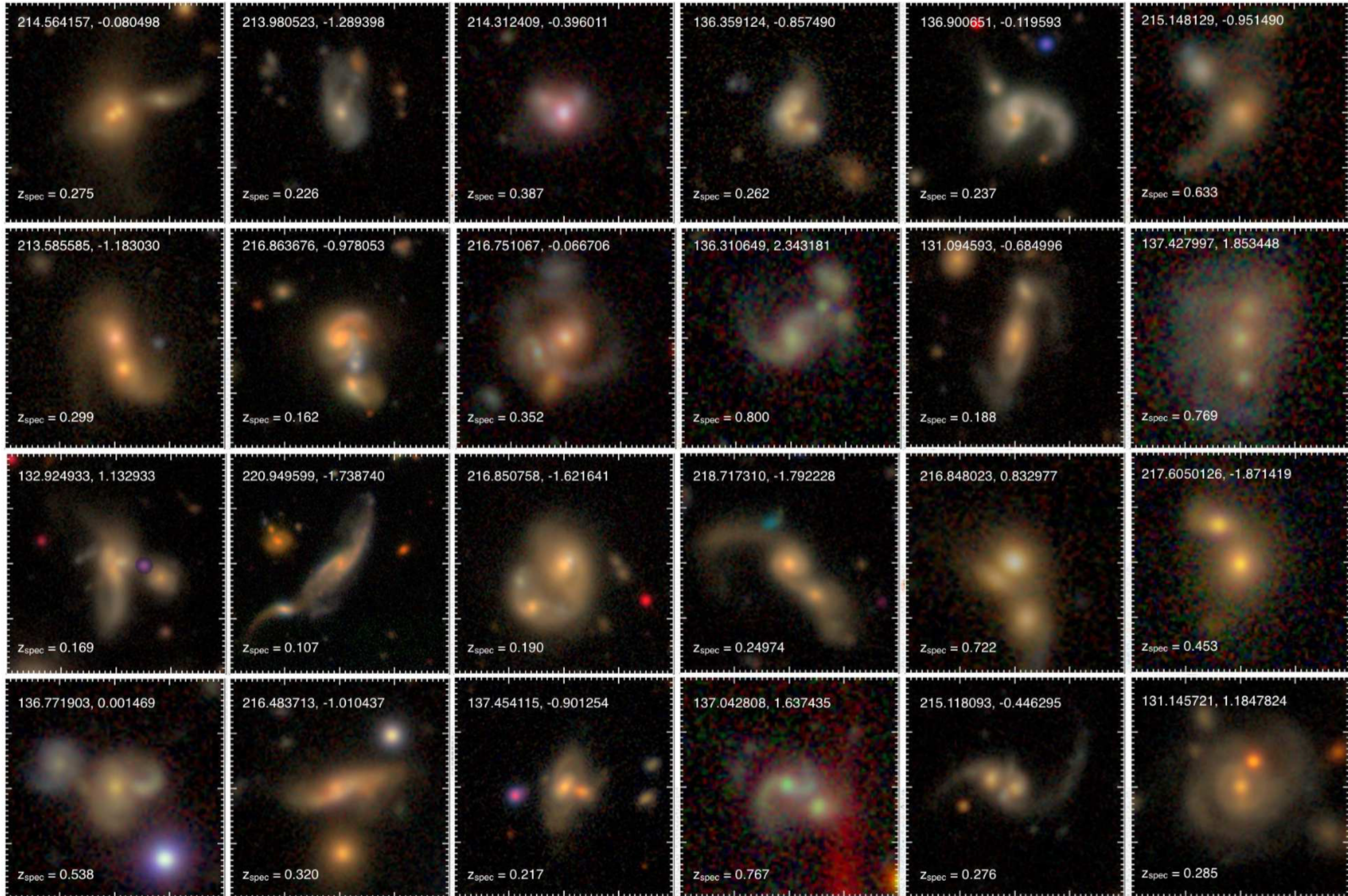


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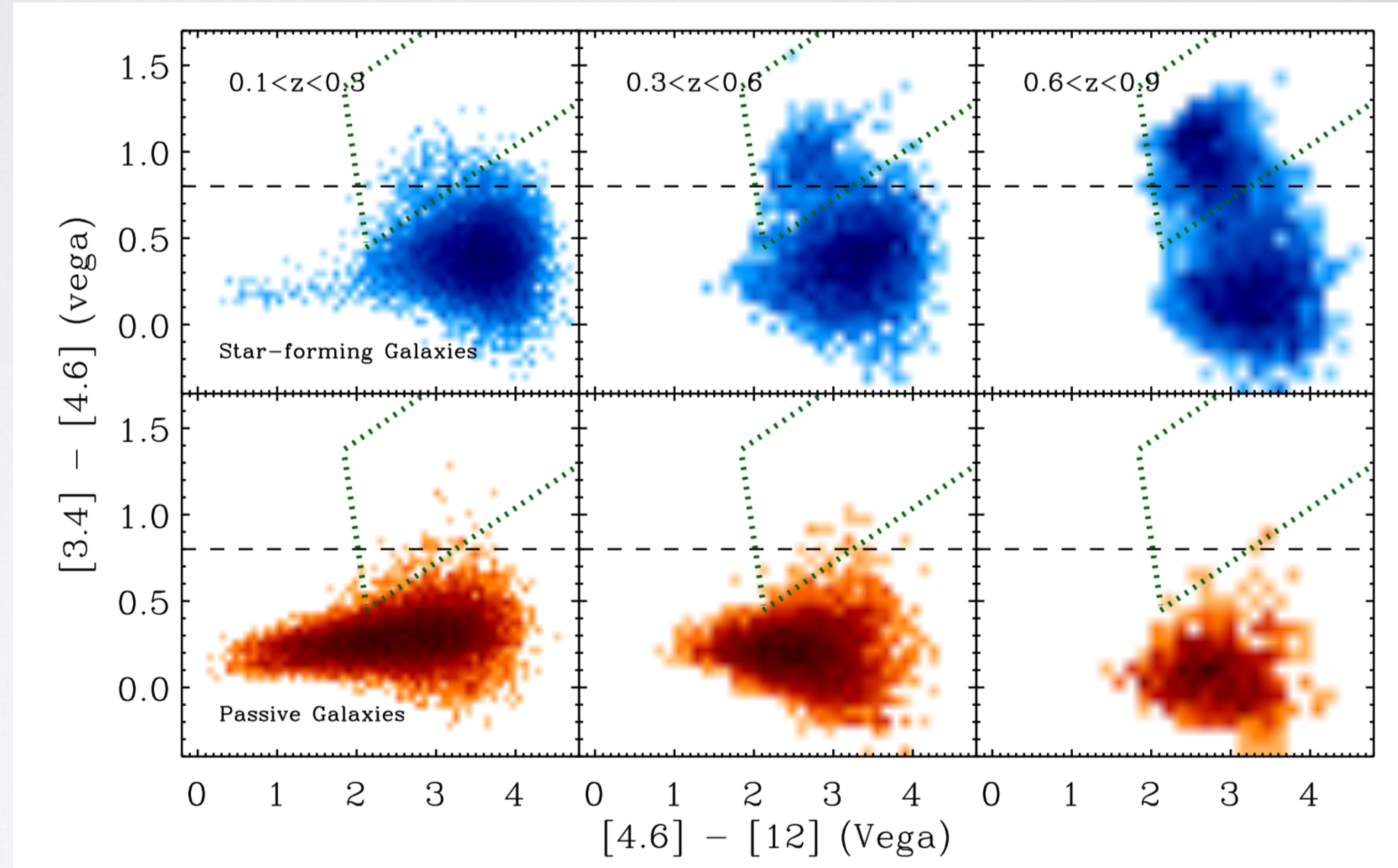
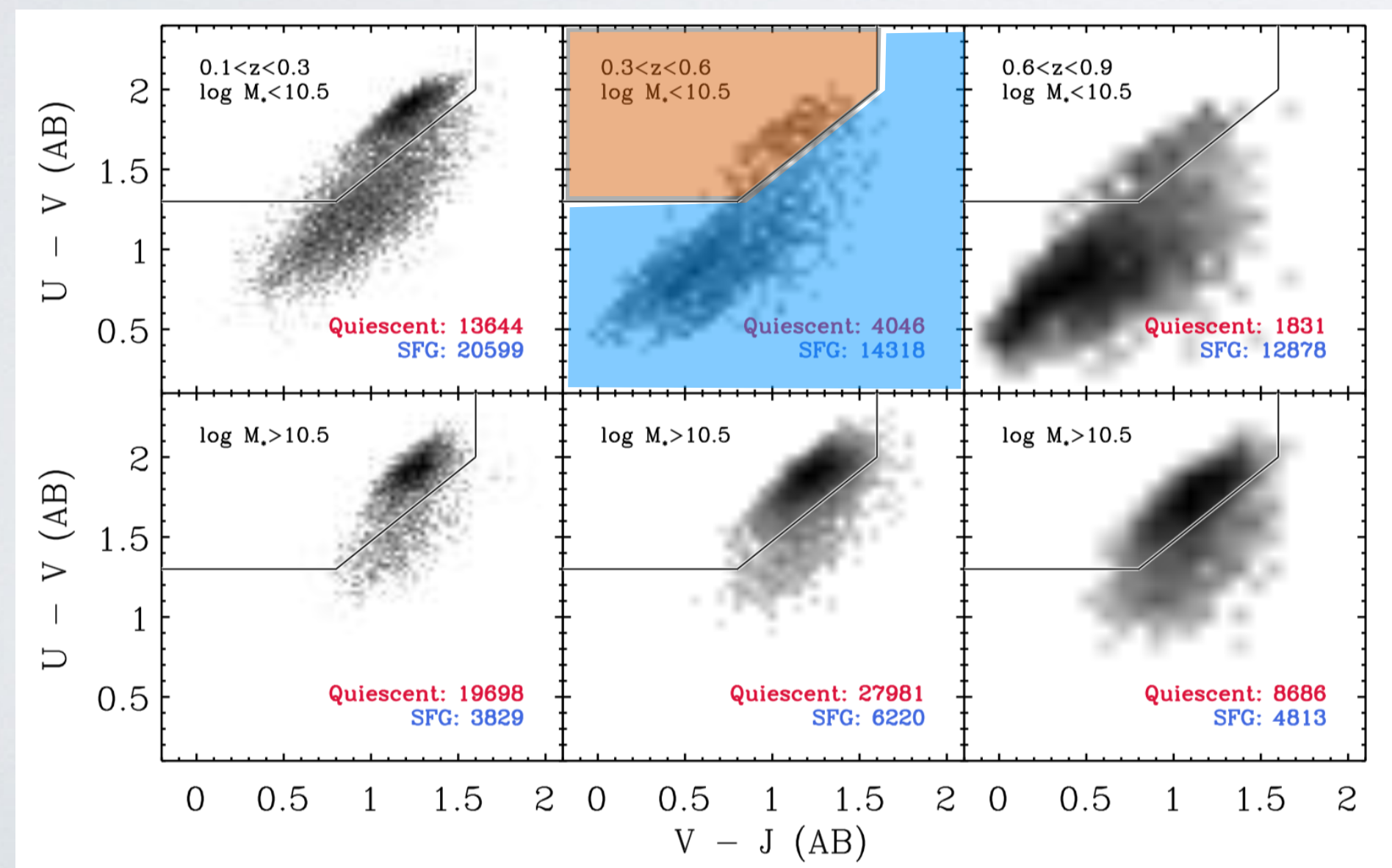
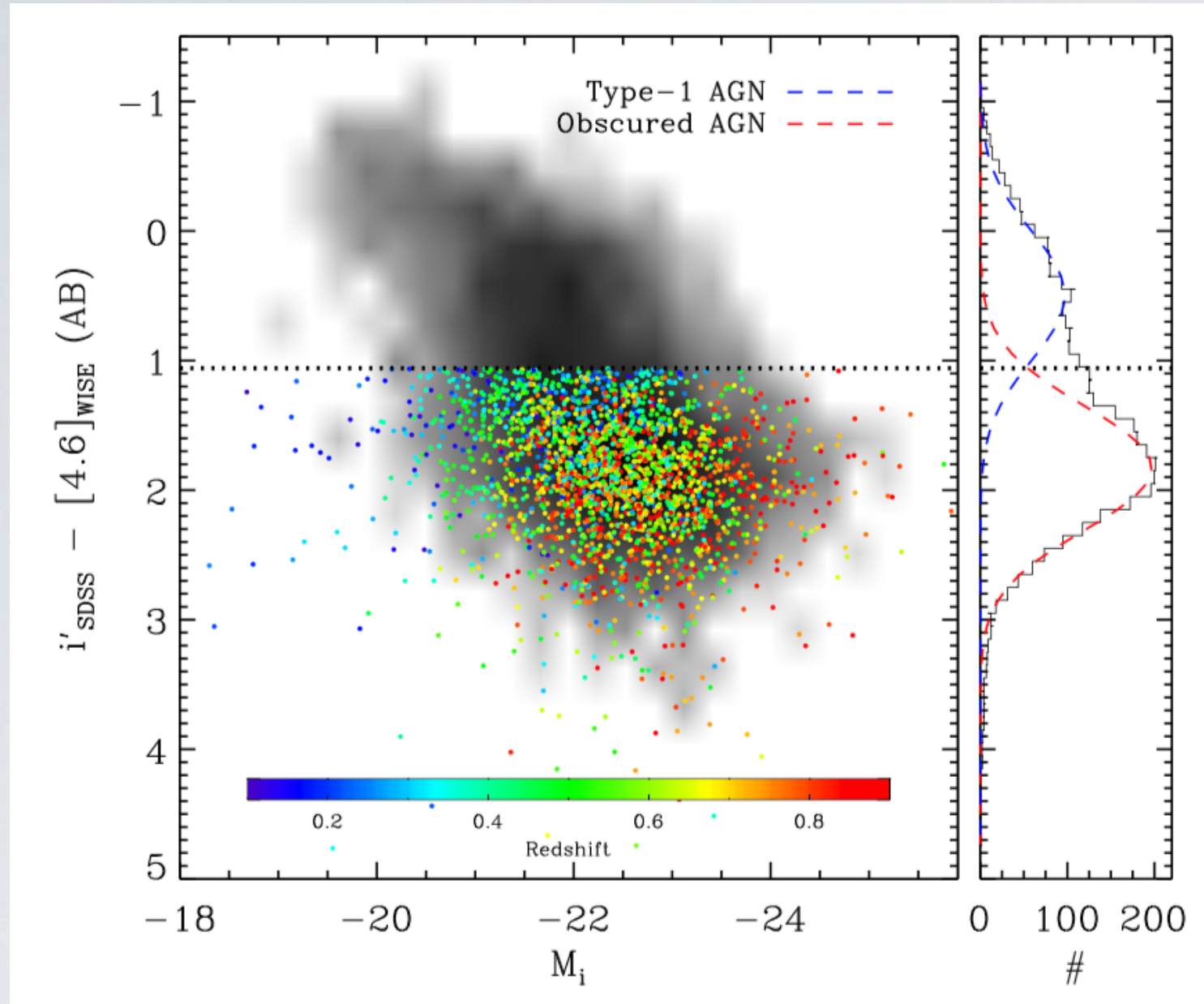


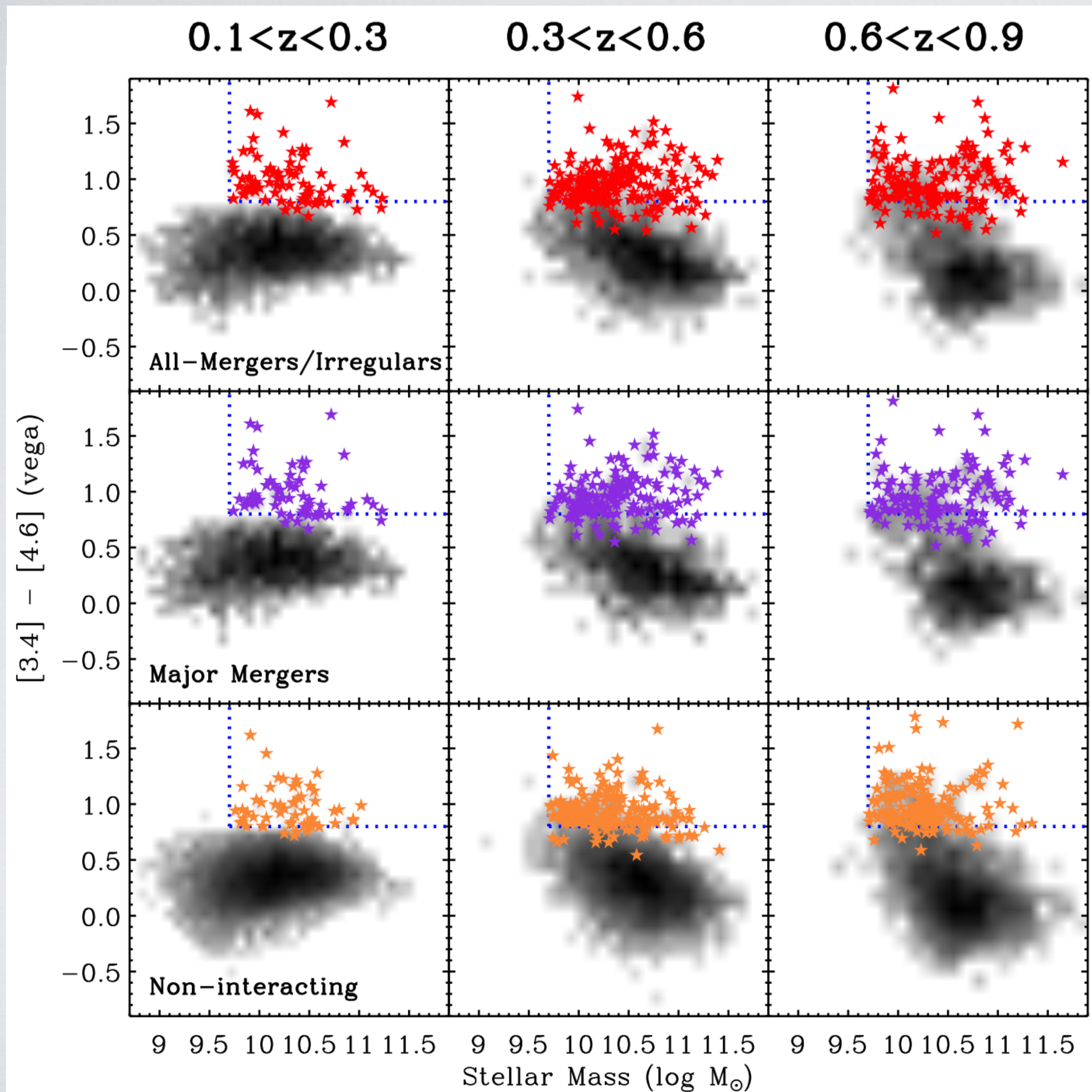
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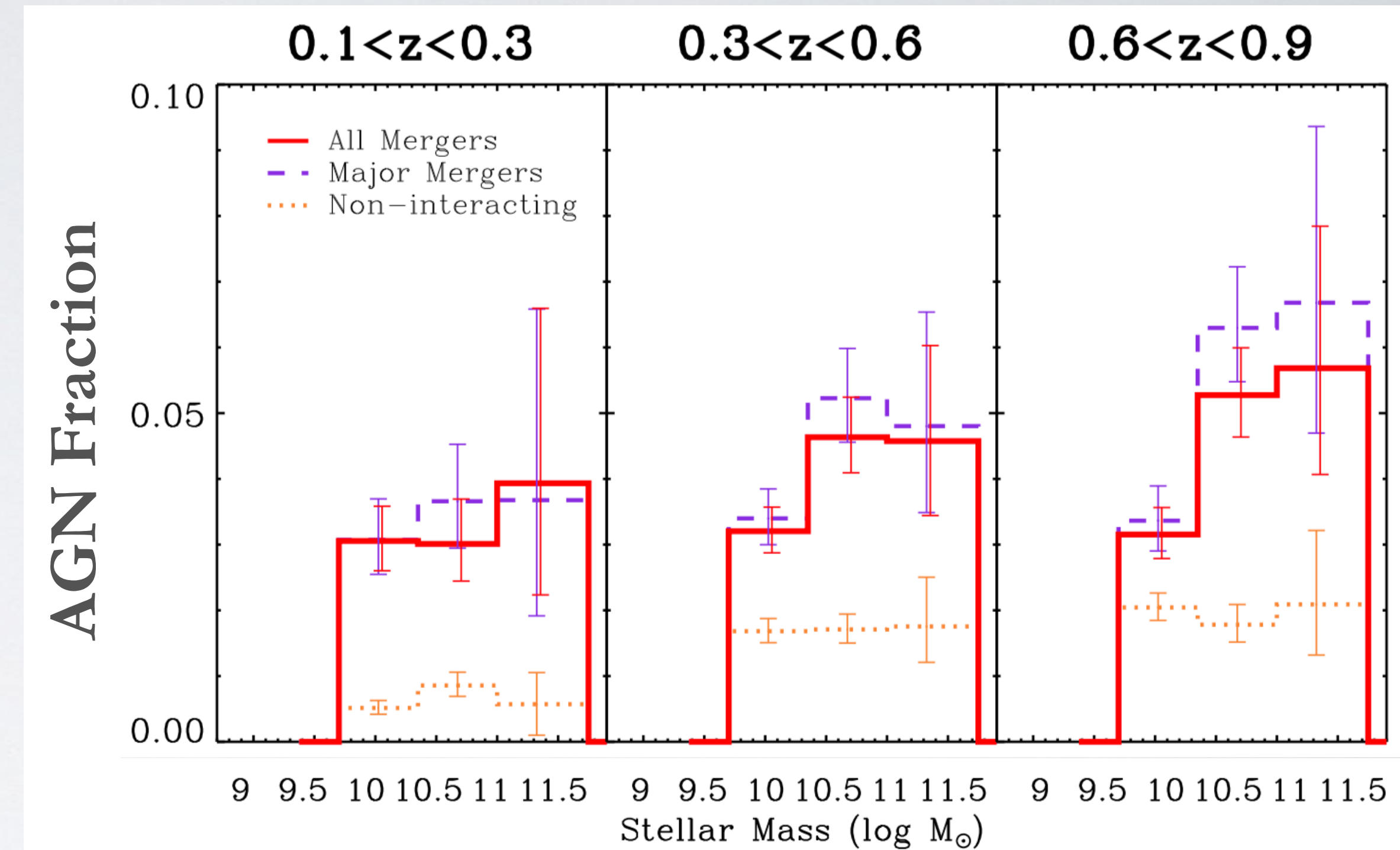
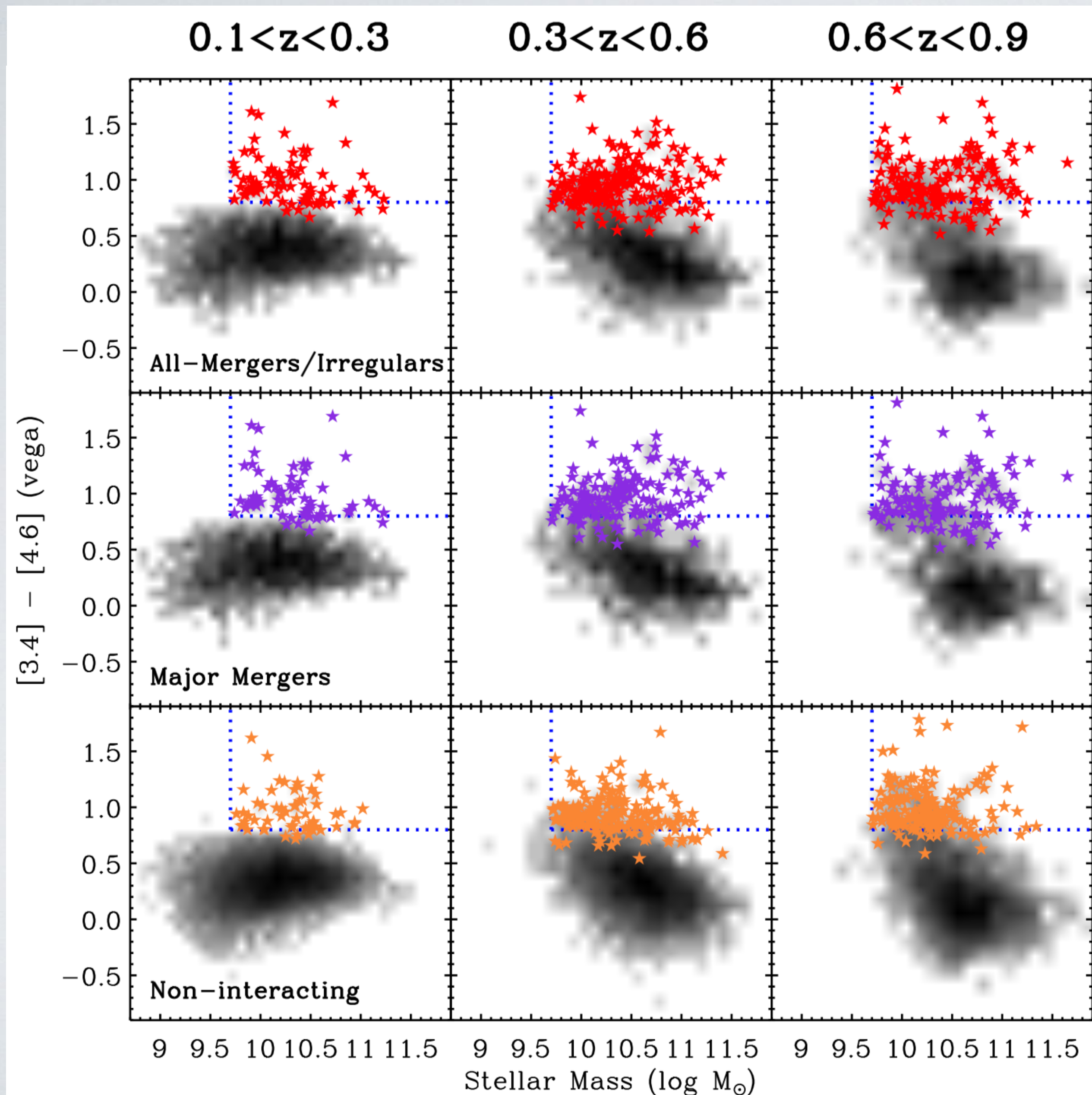






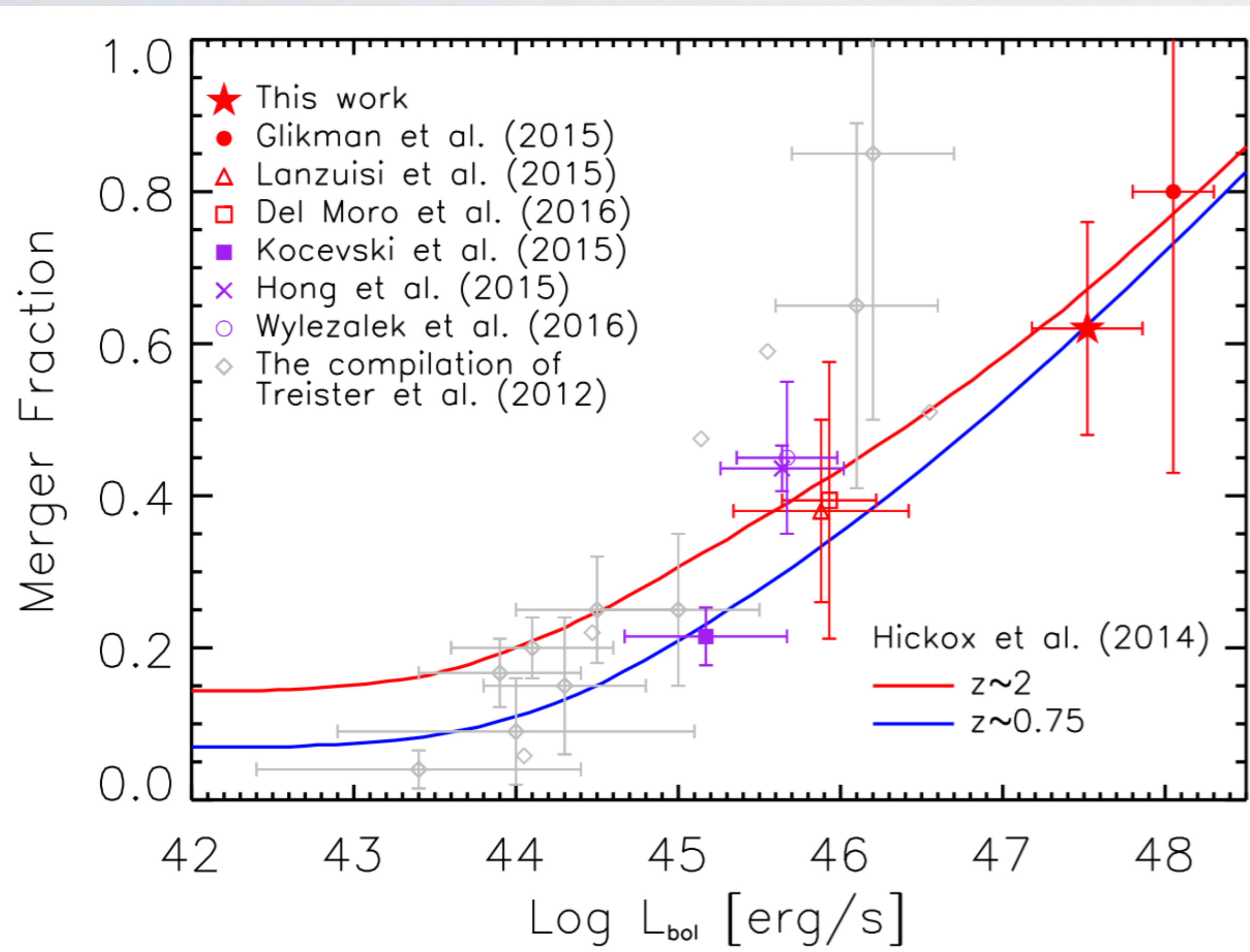




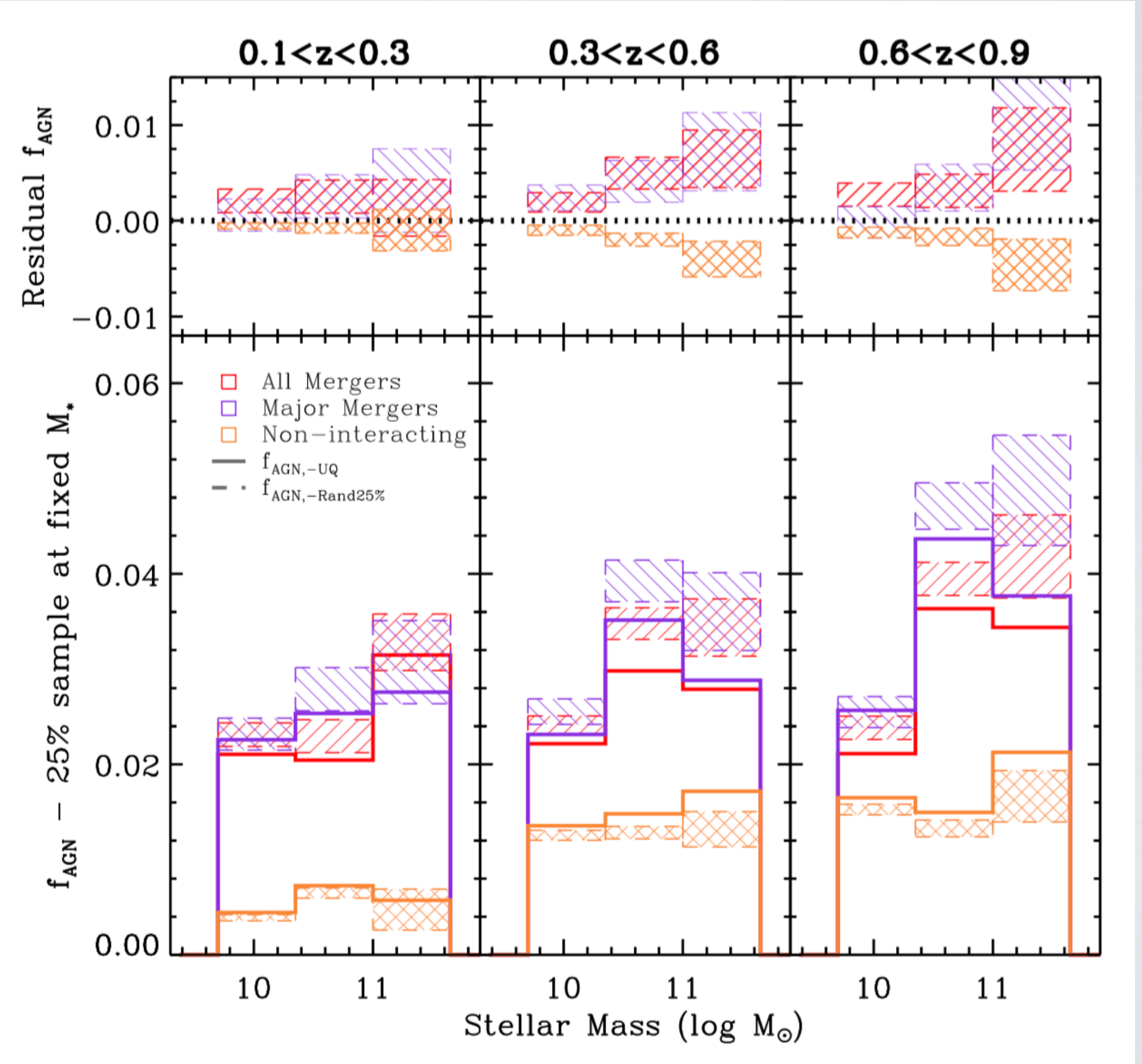
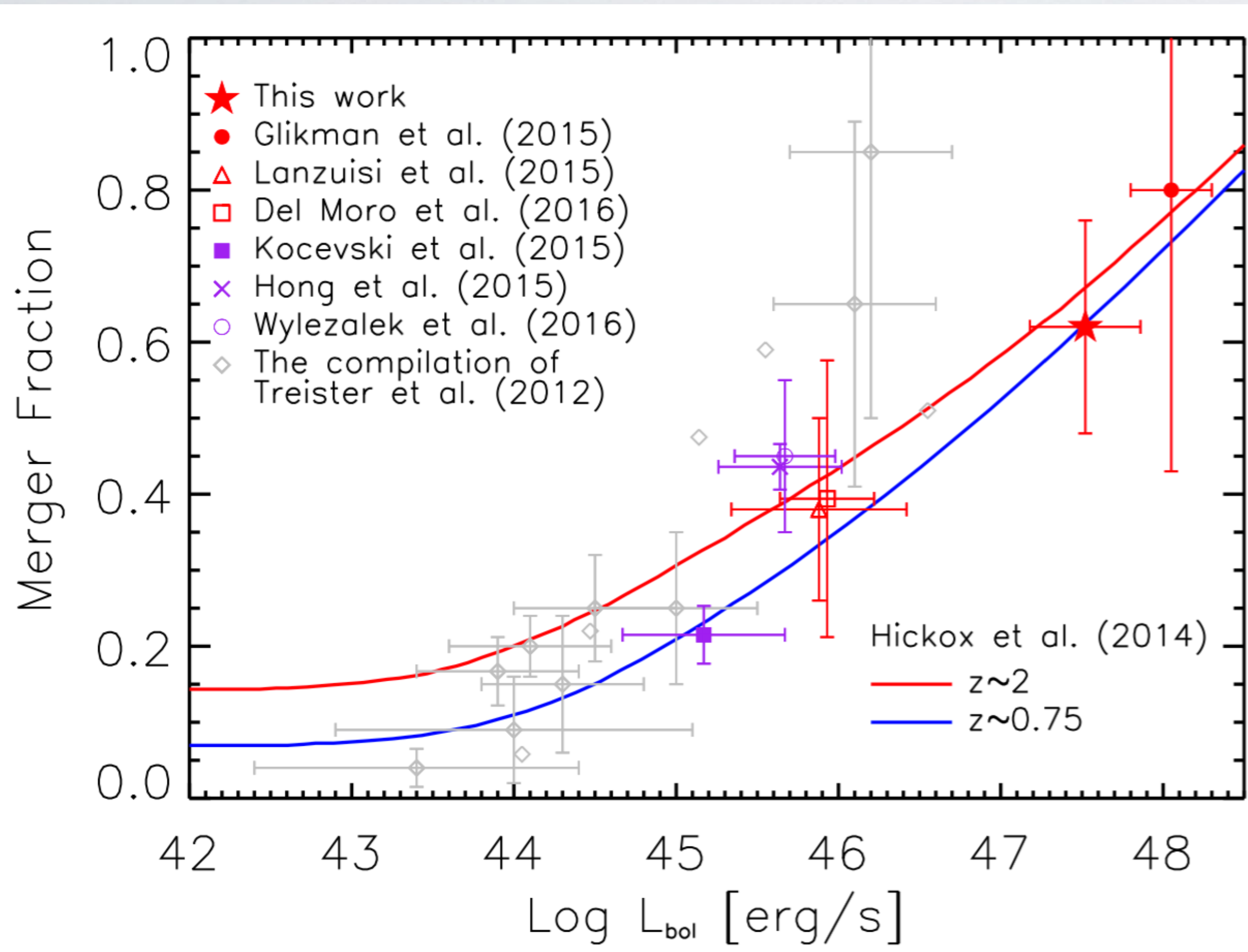


**Galaxy mergers are a factor ~2–7 more likely to contain an obscured AGN with  $L_{\text{AGN}} > 10^{43}$  erg/s than non-interacting galaxies**

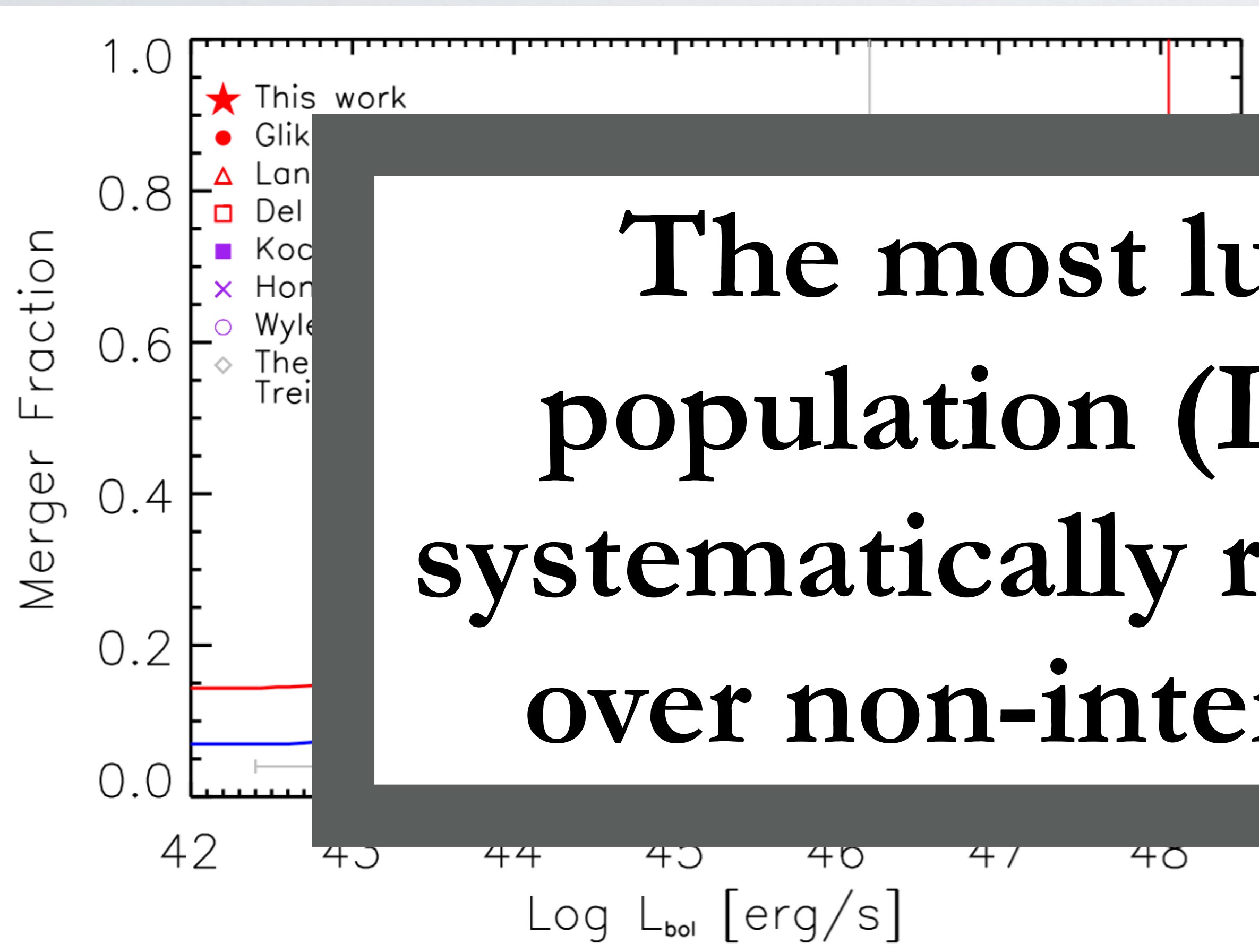
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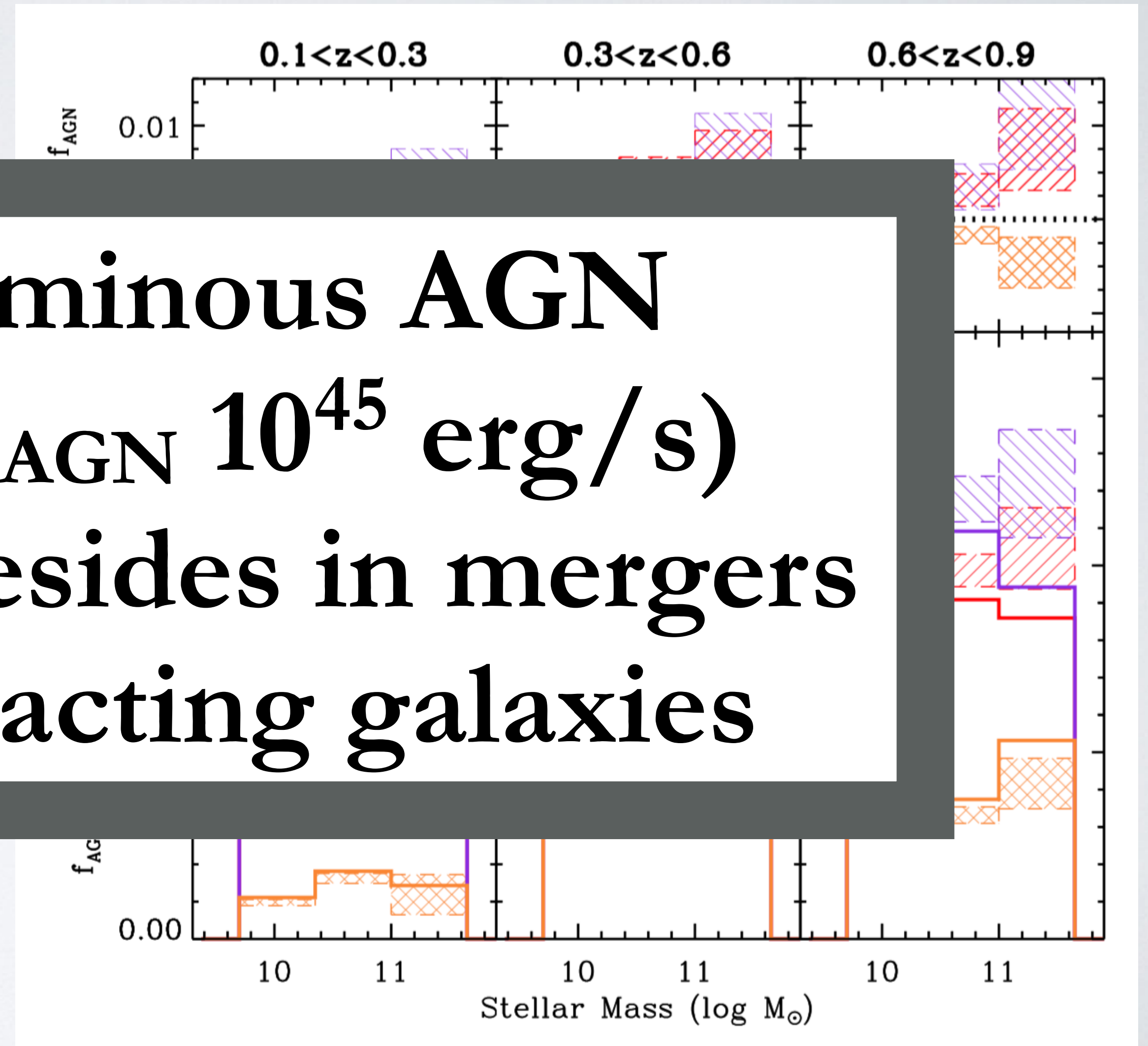
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# MERGING GALAXIES HOST THE MOST RAPIDLY GROWING BHS

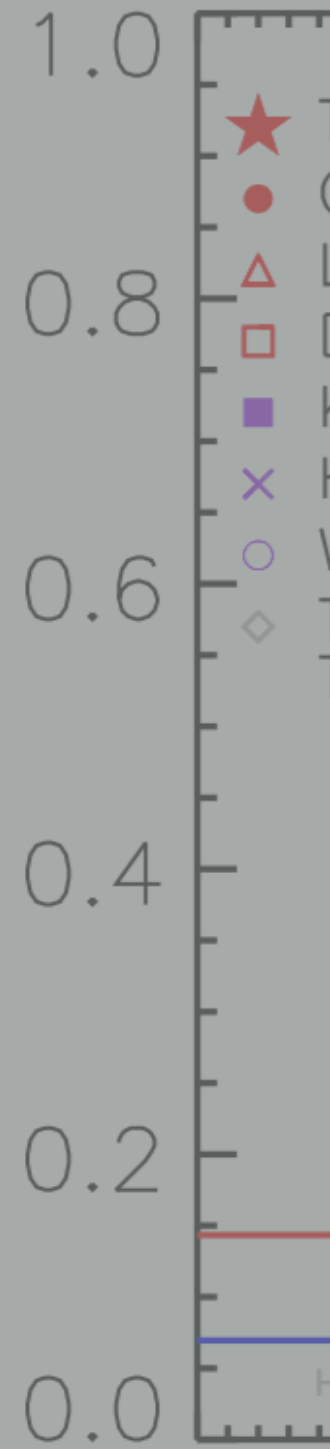


**The most luminous AGN population ( $L_{\text{AGN}} 10^{45}$  erg/s) systematically resides in mergers over non-interacting galaxies**



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Merger Fraction



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## (c) Interaction/"Merger"



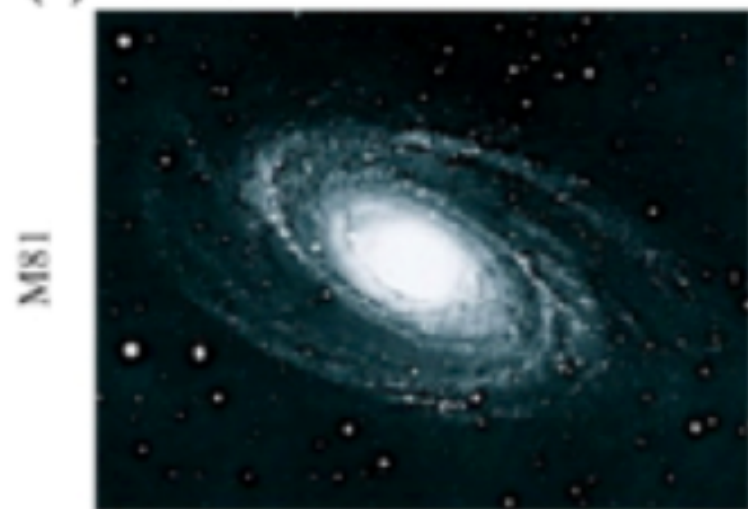
- now within one halo, galaxies interact & lose angular momentum
- SFR starts to increase
- stellar winds dominate feedback
- rarely excite QSOs (only special orbits)

## (b) "Small Group"



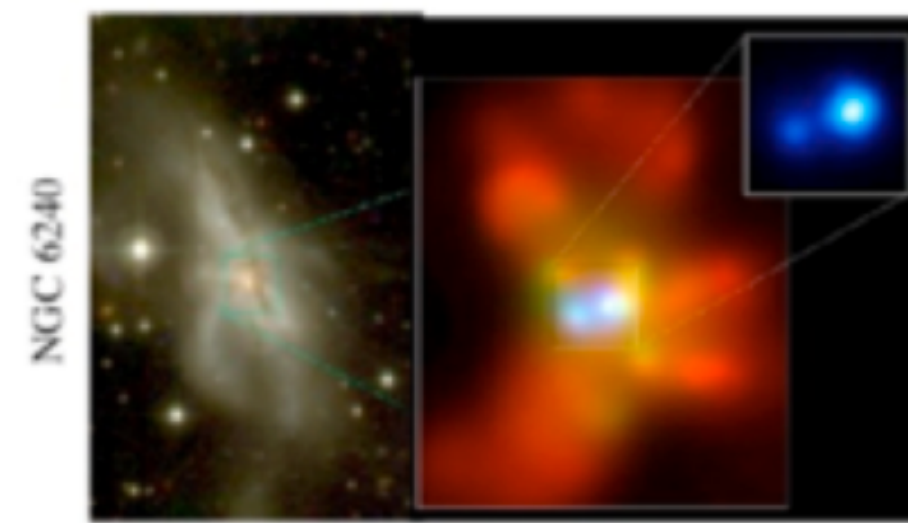
- halo accretes similar-mass companion(s)
- can occur over a wide mass range
- $M_{\text{halo}}$  still similar to before: dynamical friction merges the subhalos efficiently

## (a) Isolated Disk



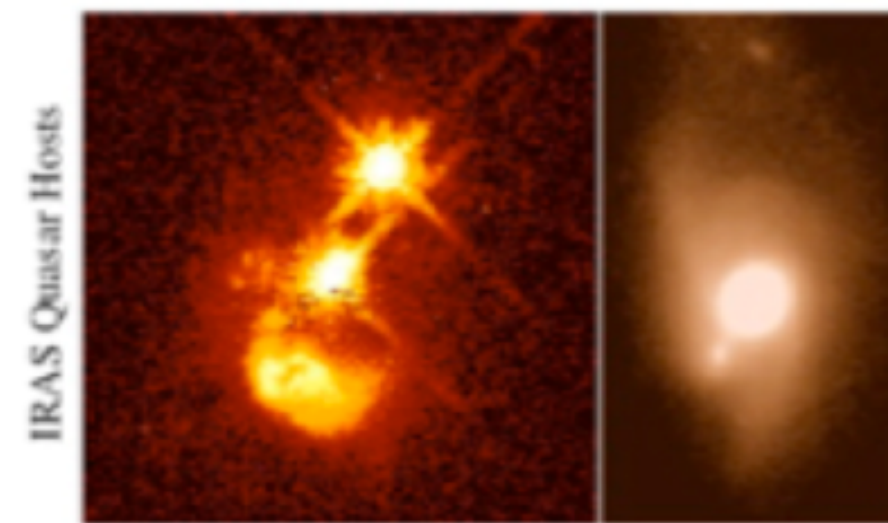
- halo & disk grow, most stars formed
- secular growth builds bars & pseudobulges
- "Seyfert" fueling (AGN with  $M_b > 23$ )
- cannot redden to the red sequence

## (d) Coalescence/(U)LIRG



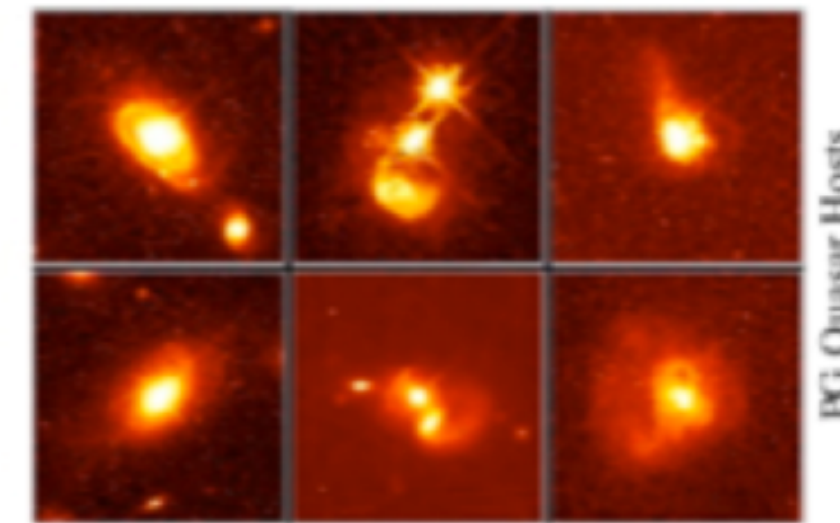
- galaxies coalesce: violent relaxation in core
- gas inflows to center: starburst & buried (X-ray) AGN
- starburst dominates luminosity/feedback, but, total stellar mass formed is small

## (e) "Blowout"



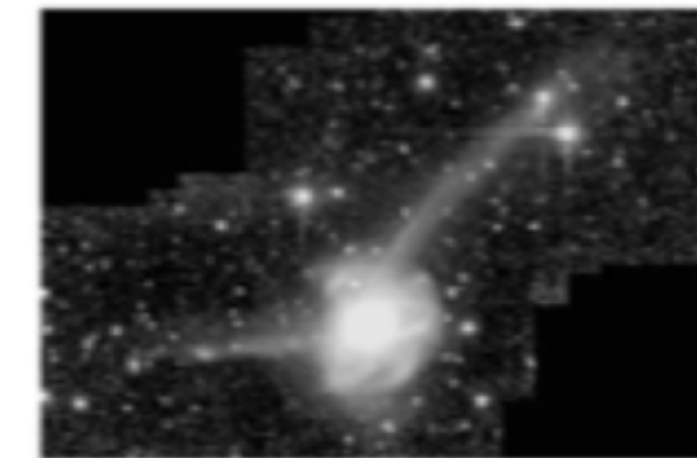
- BH grows rapidly: briefly dominates luminosity/feedback
- remaining dust/gas expelled
- get reddened (but not Type II) QSO: recent/ongoing SF in host
- high Eddington ratios
- merger signatures still visible

## (f) Quasar



- dust removed: now a "traditional" QSO
- host morphology difficult to observe: tidal features fade rapidly
- characteristically blue/young spheroid

## (g) Decay/K+A

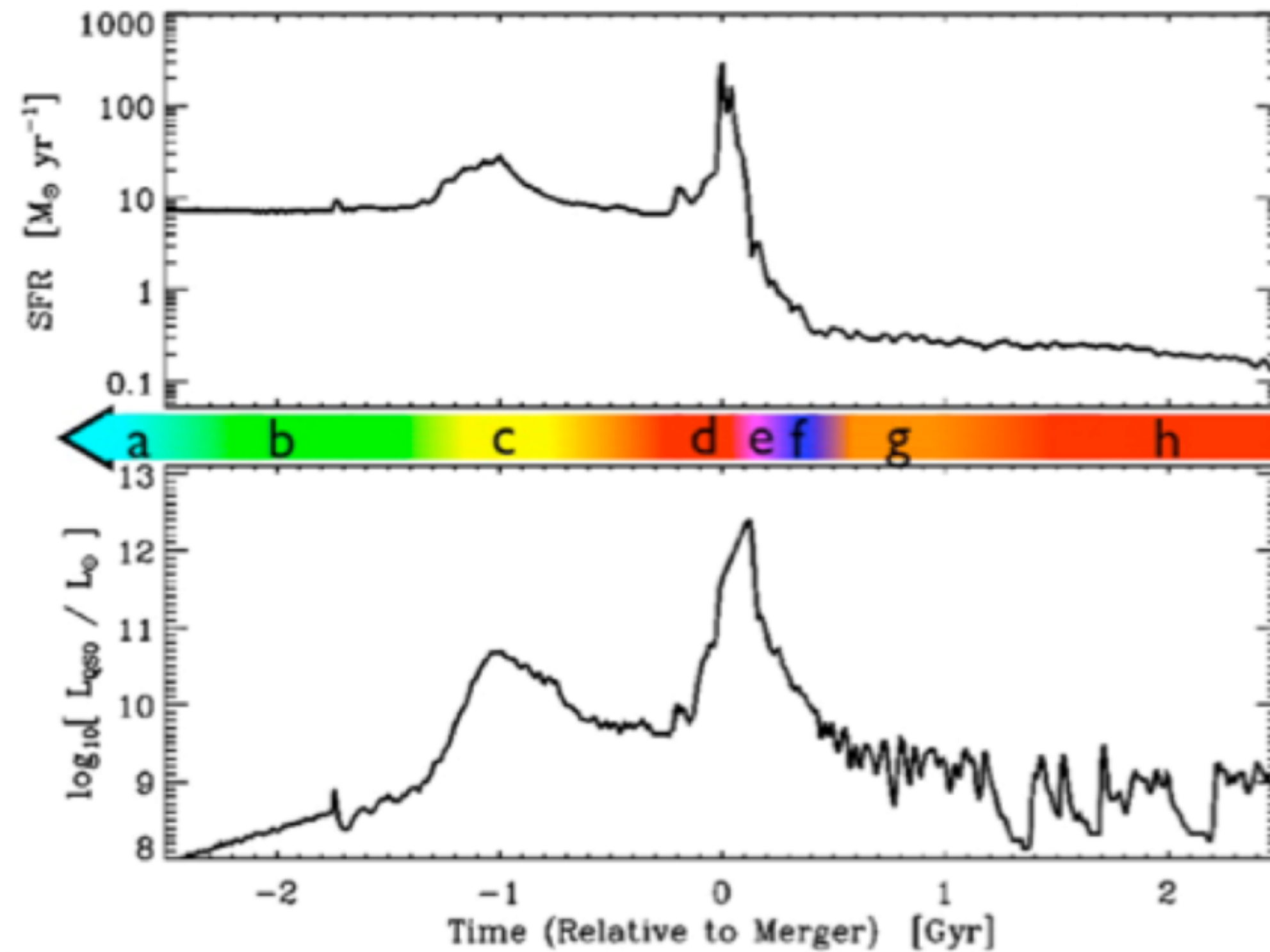


- QSO luminosity fades rapidly
- tidal features visible only with very deep observations
- remnant reddens rapidly (E+A/K+A)
- "hot halo" from feedback
- sets up quasi-static cooling

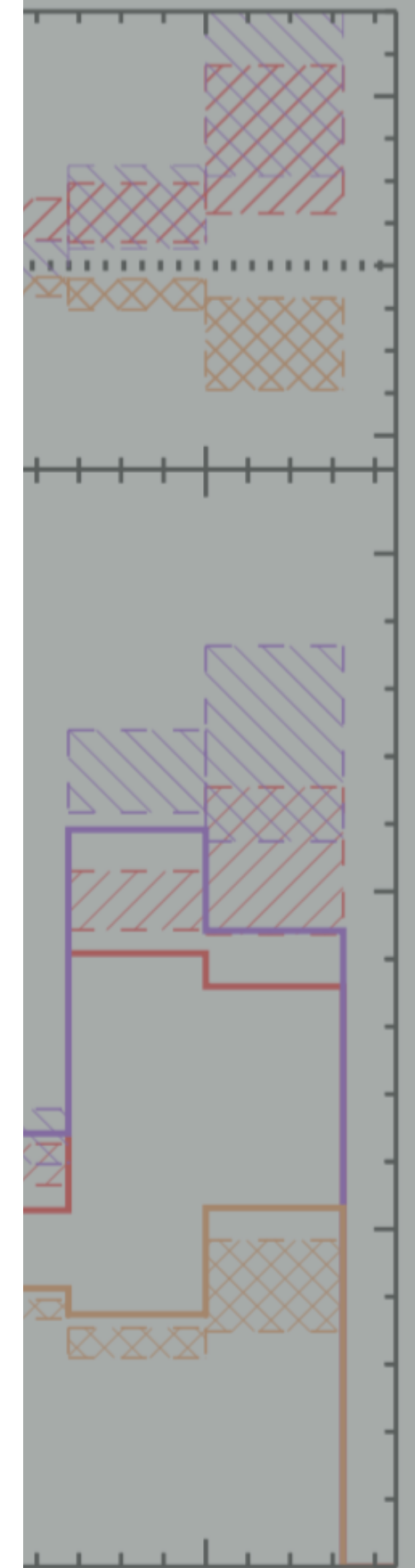
## (h) "Dead" Elliptical



- star formation terminated
- large BH/spheroid - efficient feedback
- halo grows to "large group" scales: mergers become inefficient
- growth by "dry" mergers



$6 < z < 0.9$



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