

IFU studies of gravitationally
lensed $z=2-3$ galaxies:
a preview of next-generation science

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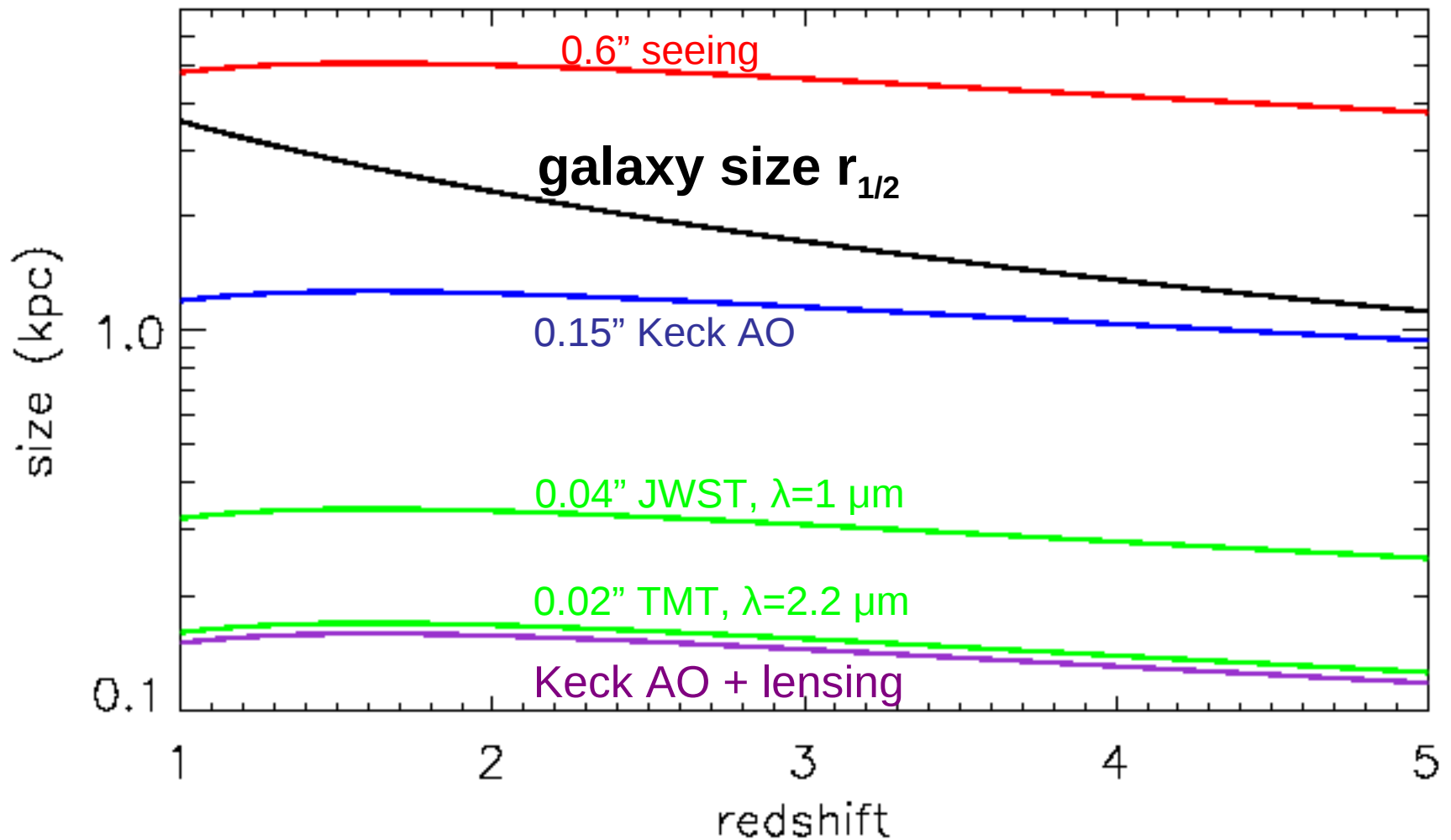
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IFU spectroscopy of $z > 2$ galaxies

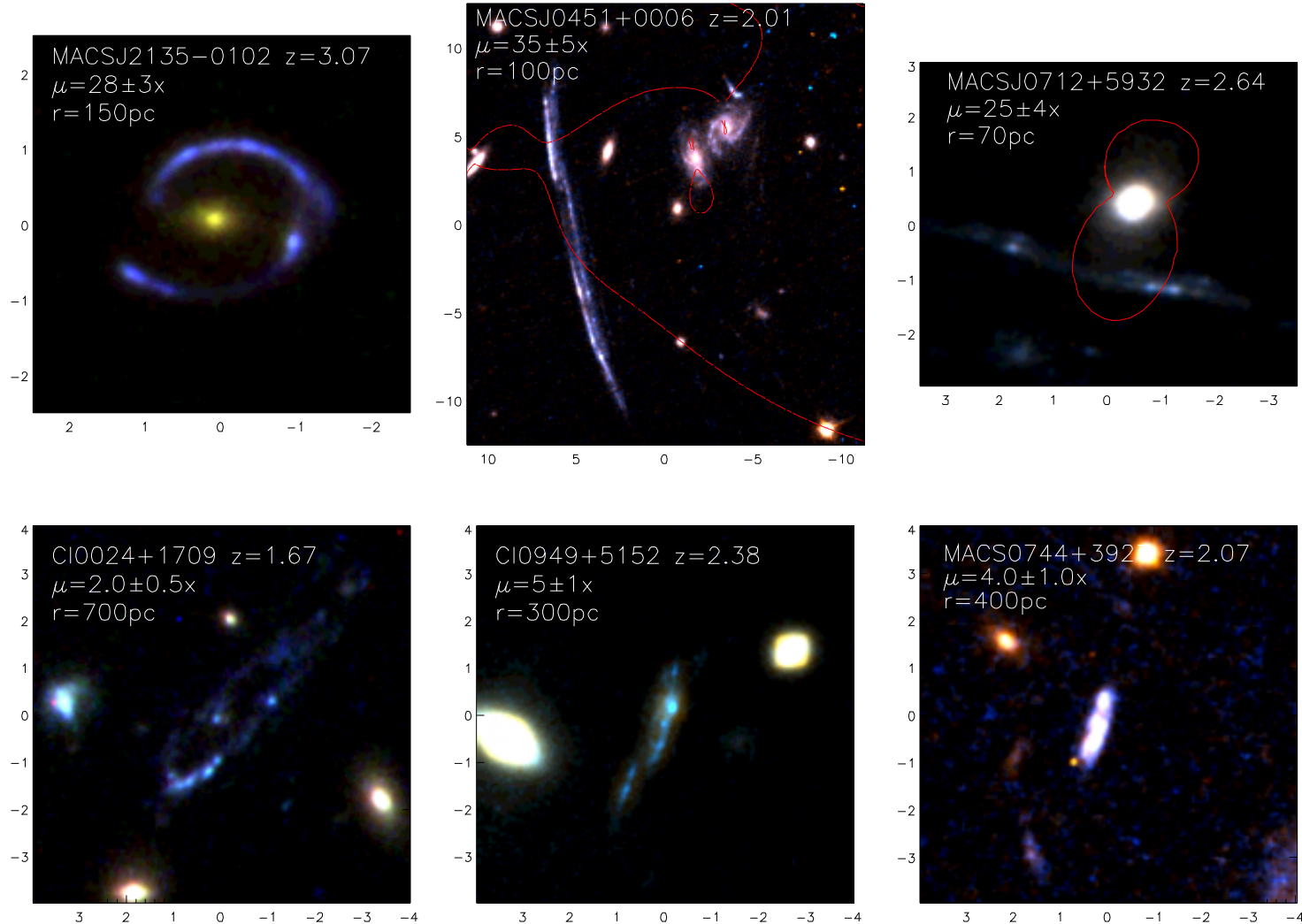
- Kinematics
 - Rotation, merging, velocity dispersion
- Star formation
 - Smooth vs. clumpy distribution
 - Size, luminosity of giant star-forming regions
- Metallicity
 - Gas fraction, yield, infall, outflows
 - Gradients

Angular resolution



Galaxies smaller at high redshift → need very high resolution to resolve structure!
Keck AO + lensing gives a valuable glimpse of science possible with JWST and TMT!

Lensed galaxy sample

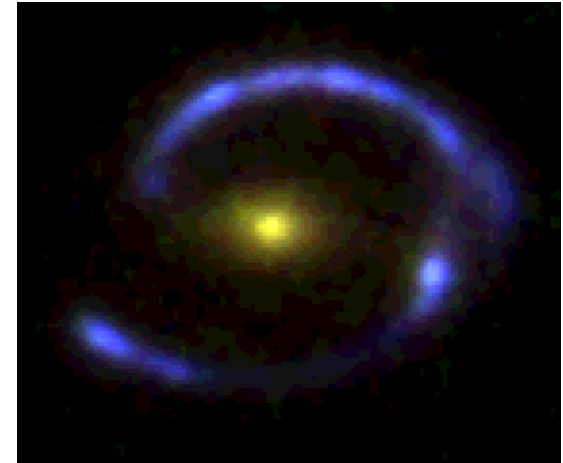
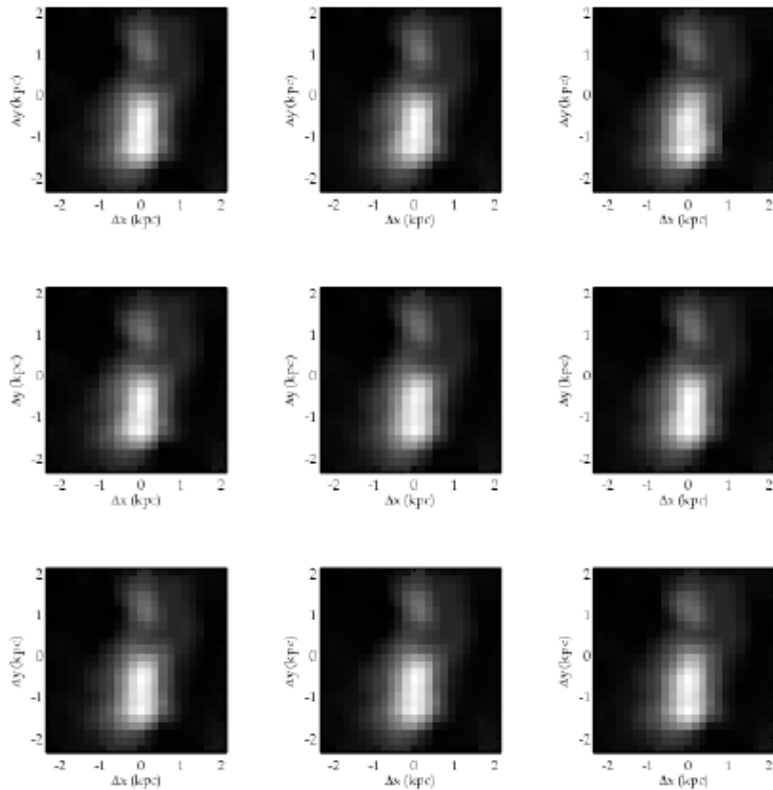


Magnification $\sim 20x$, linear magnification $\sim 8x$

Source plane resolution = 200 pc, intrinsic luminosity 0.1-1.5 L_*

Stark et al 2008, Jones et al 2010a

Source plane reconstruction



Stark et al 2008

- Uncertainty in lens model determined by accuracy of multiple image positions
- Source plane uncertainty propagated from model
 - Typical uncertainty 15% in magnification

Source plane reconstruction

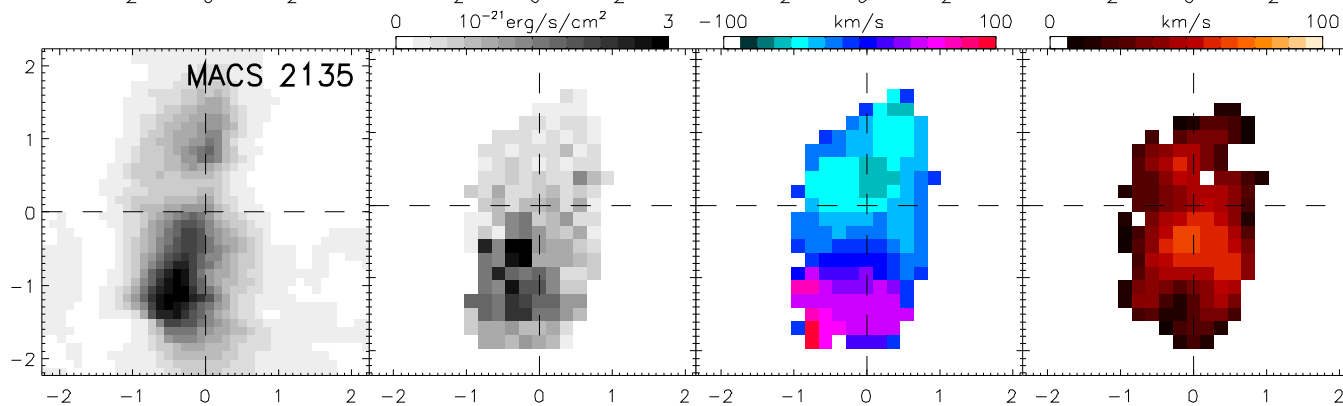
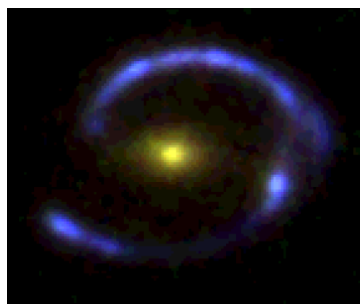
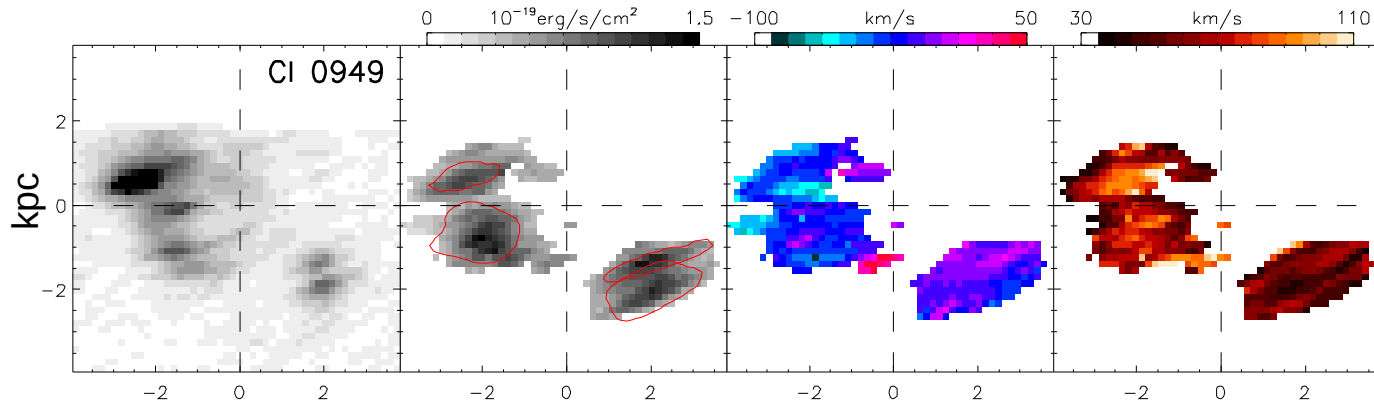
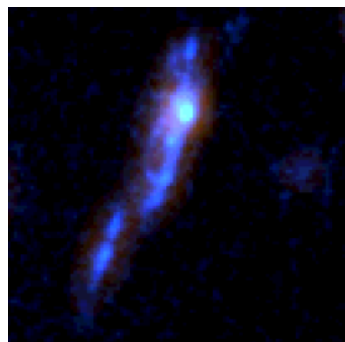
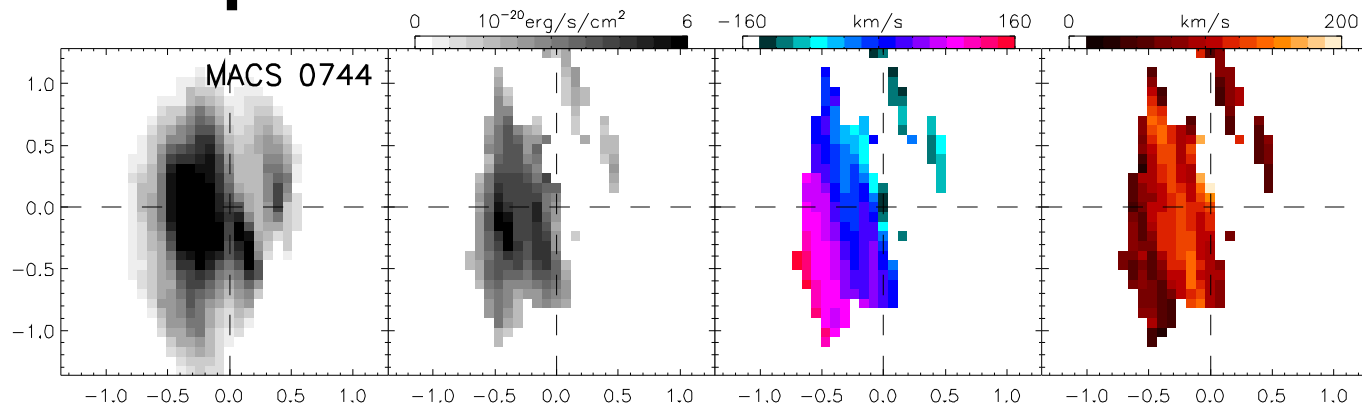


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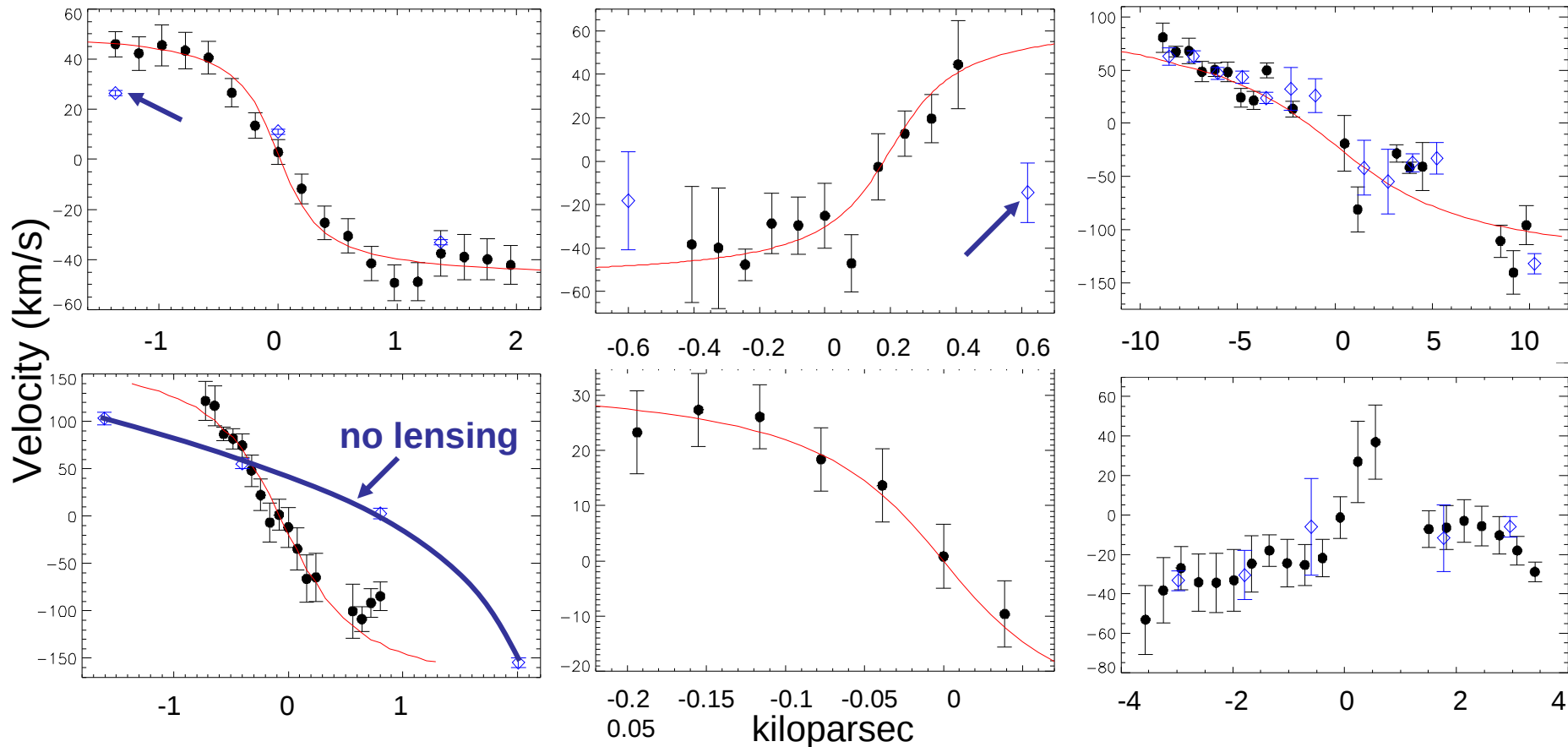
rest-UV

nebular emission

velocity

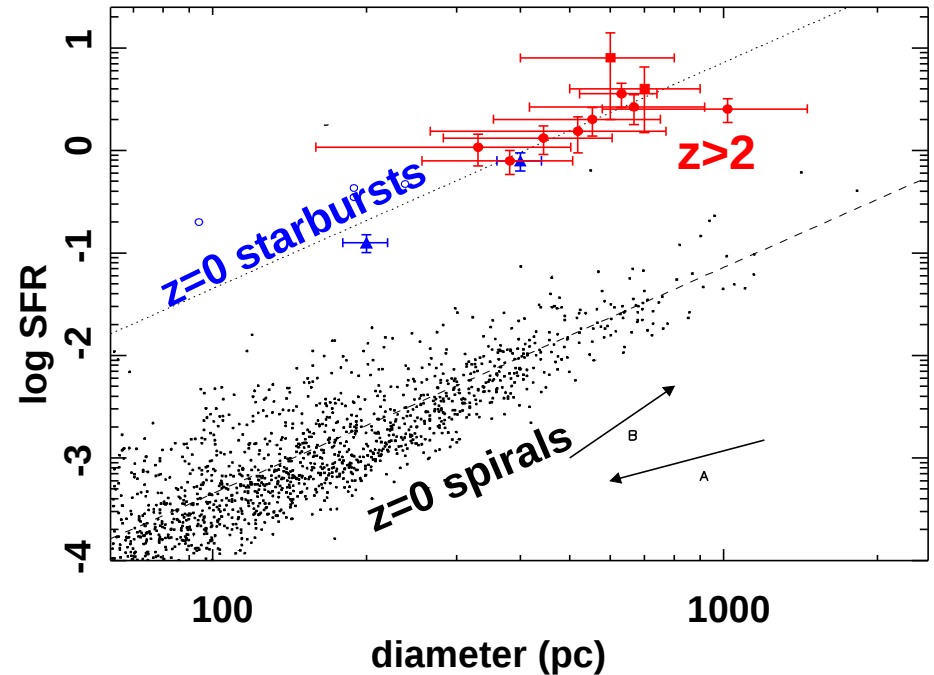
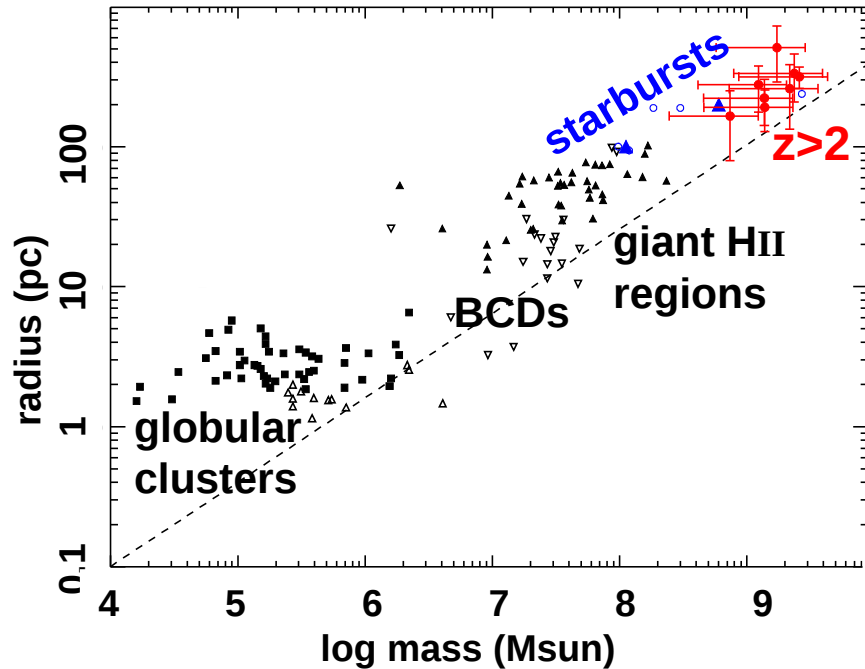
dispersion

Coherent velocity fields



- 4/6 clearly rotating with $V/\sigma < 2.0$ in all cases
 - Lower rotation fraction inferred for non-lensed galaxies
- Rotation not evident without lensing!

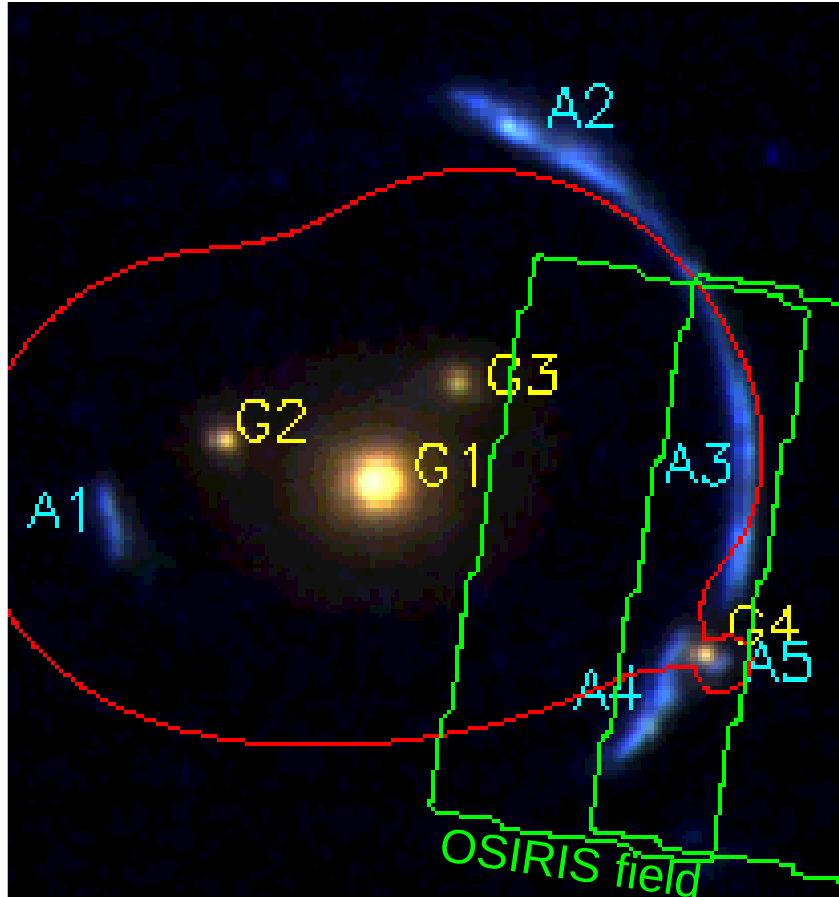
Giant star-forming regions



- At ~ 200 parsec resolution, all galaxies show multiple giant HII regions
 - Radius, dynamical mass, SFR measured with IFU observations
- Giant HII regions have very high SFR density
 - Typical mass = $10^9 M_{\text{sun}}$, diameter = 500 pc, SFR = $2 M_{\text{sun}}/\text{year}$
 - 100x higher star formation density as typical spiral galaxy HII regions, comparable to the most vigorous local starbursts

Case study: SDSS J1206+5142

10 arcseconds



$$z_{\text{source}} = 2.001$$

$$z_{\text{lens}} = 0.42$$

$$\mu = 27$$

$$\text{SFR} = 45 M_{\text{sun}}/\text{year}$$

$$R = 2.9 \text{ kpc}$$

$$M_{\text{dyn}} = 2.2e10 M_{\text{sun}}$$

No evidence of AGN

No evidence of merging

OSIRIS observations (May 2010):
4 x 900 sec, H α + [NII], 100 mas scale
2 x 900 sec, [OIII], 100 mas scale
IFU covers multiple images of source

Lin et al 2009

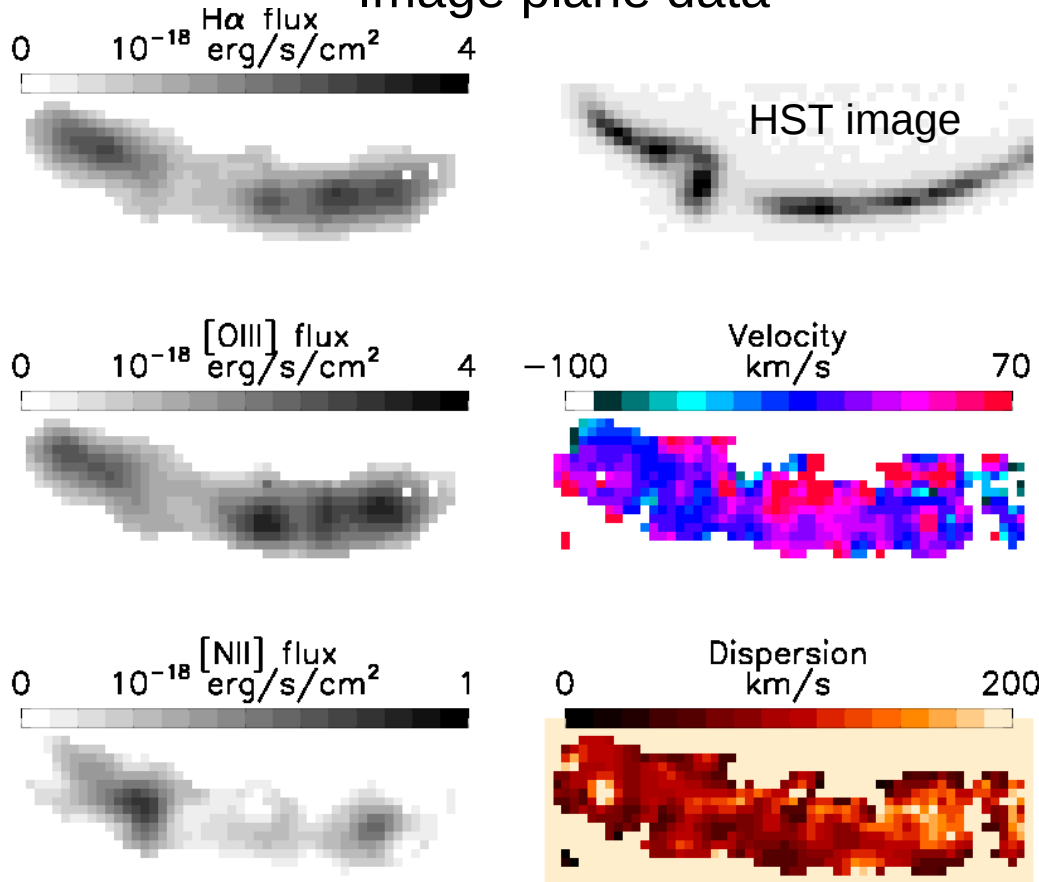
Hainline et al 2009

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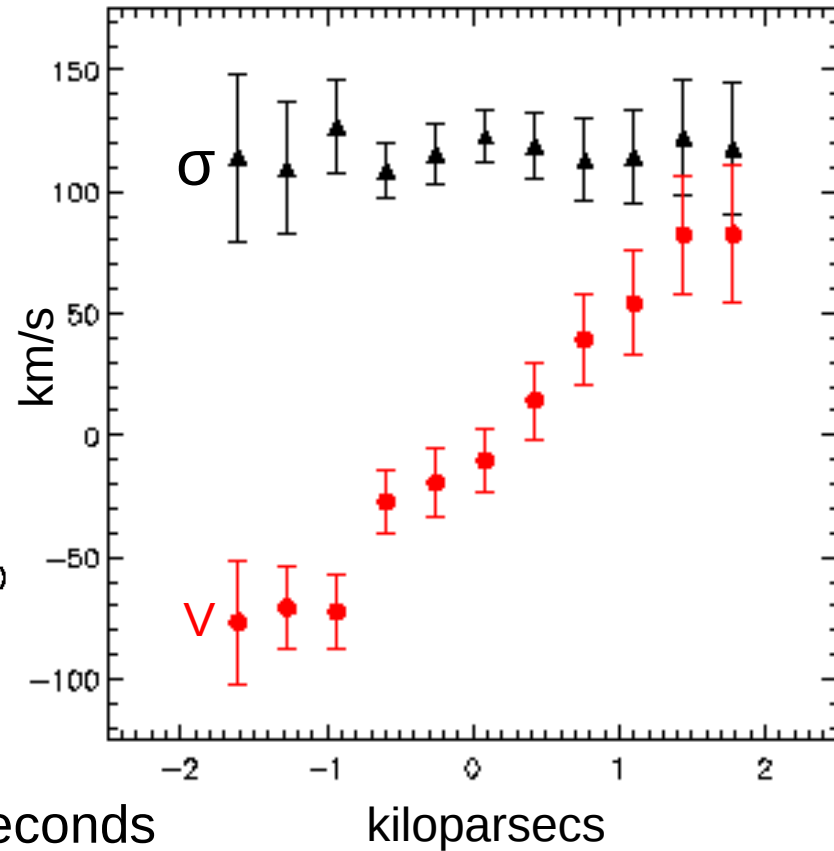
Jones et al 2010b

SDSS J1206+5142

Image plane data



Source plane kinematics



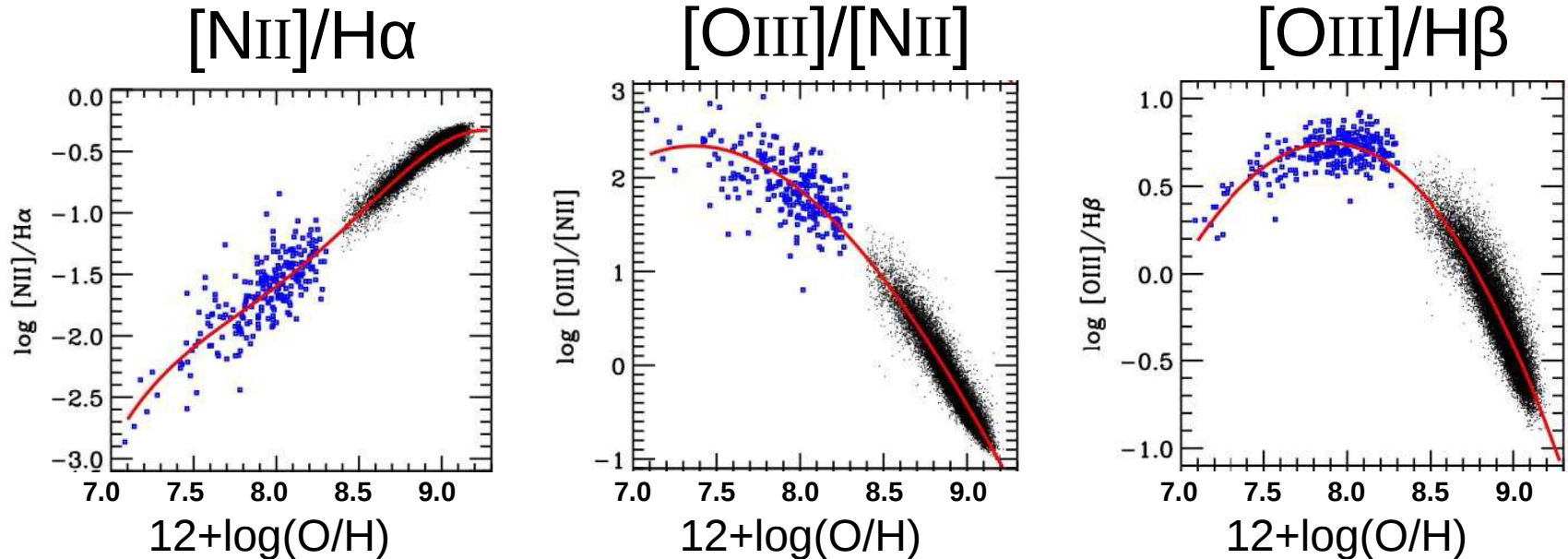
Emission lines mapped across 6 arcseconds

Source plane resolution 300 pc

Velocity gradient 160 km/s

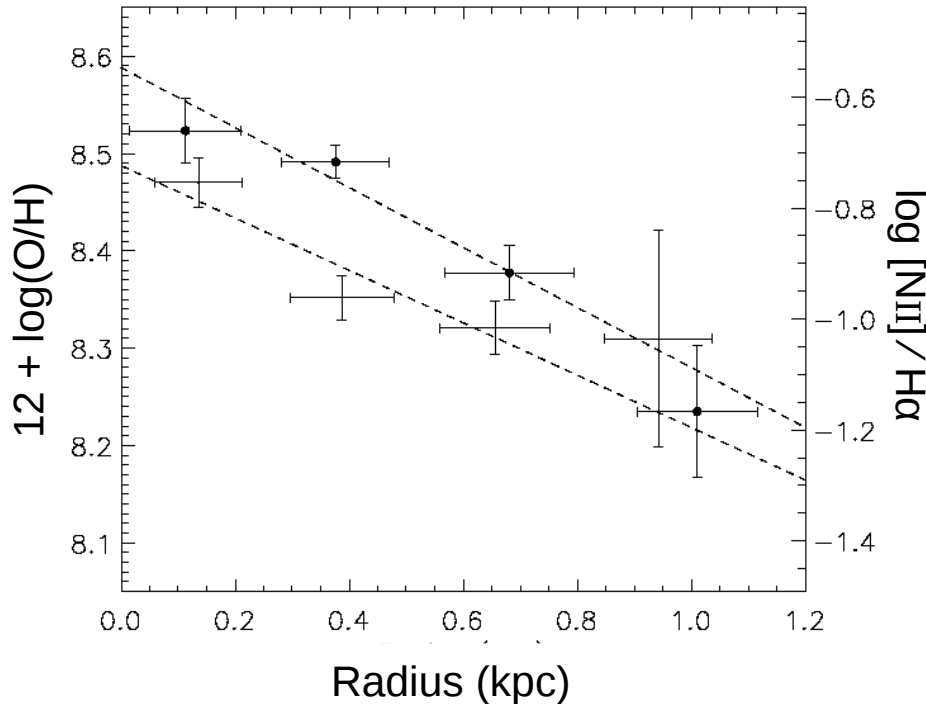
Velocity dispersion ~ 100 km/s

Metallicity calibration

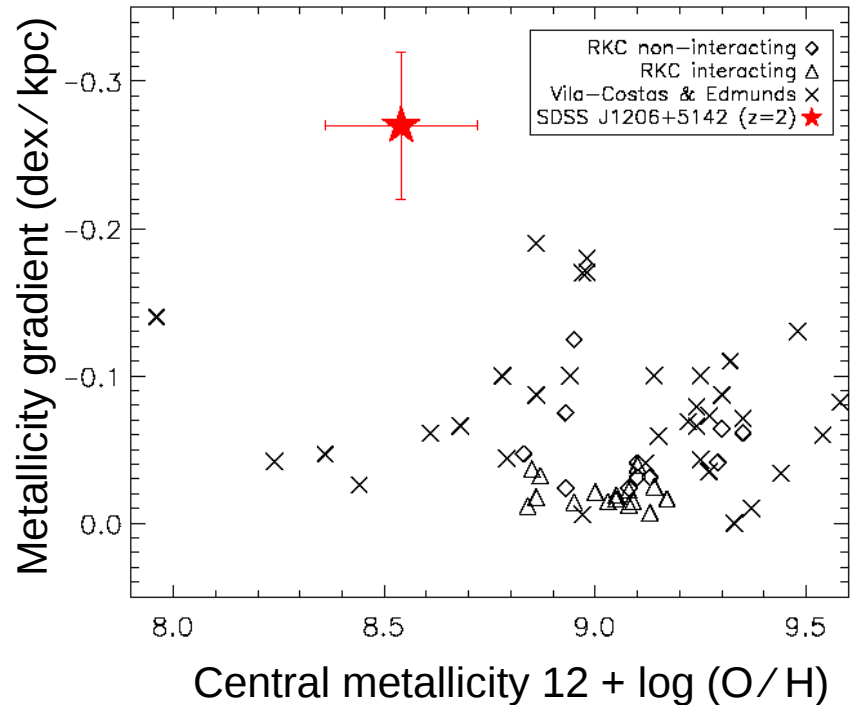


- Metallicity is highly correlated with ratios of strong emission lines
 - Use strong line ratios to infer metallicity
- Accurately calibrated with local data

Metallicity gradient



Jones et al 2010b

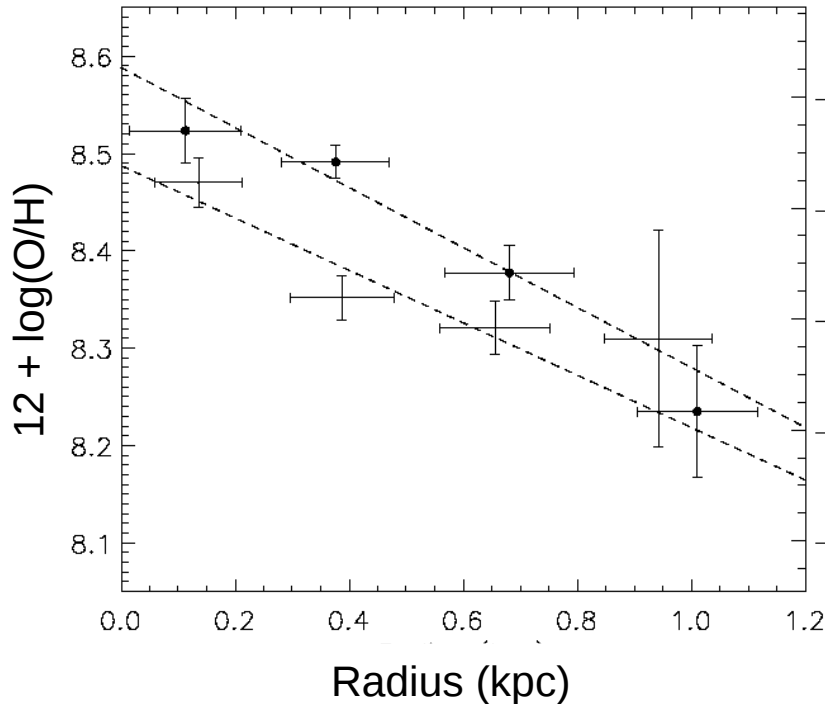


Rupke et al 2010

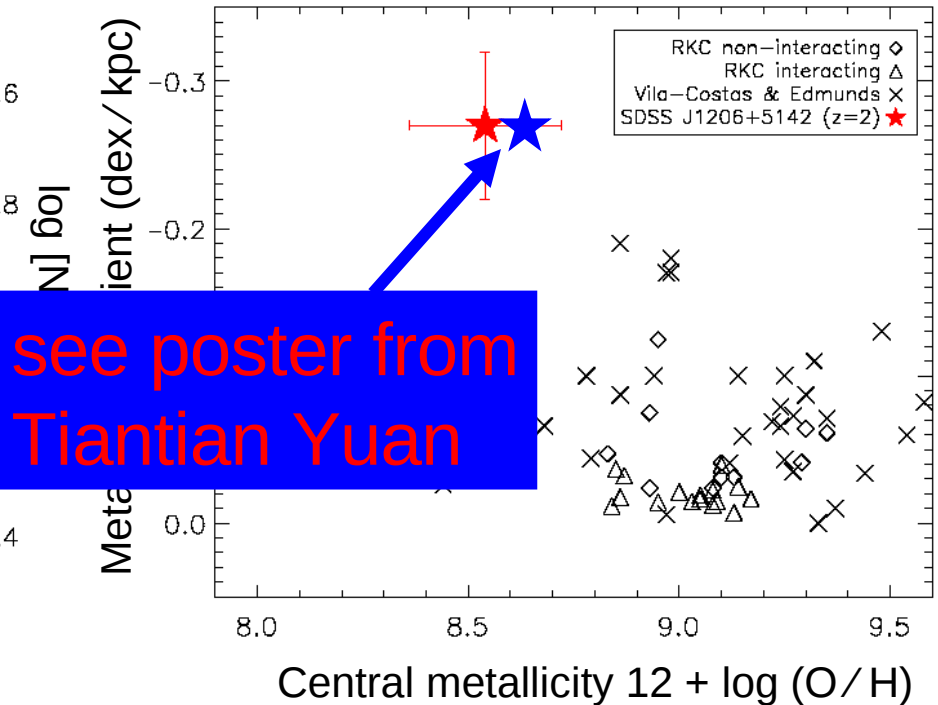
Vila-Costas & Edmunds 1992

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- Multiple diagnostics give consistent results
- Gradient is much steeper than in local disk galaxies!

Metallicity gradient



Jones et al 2010b

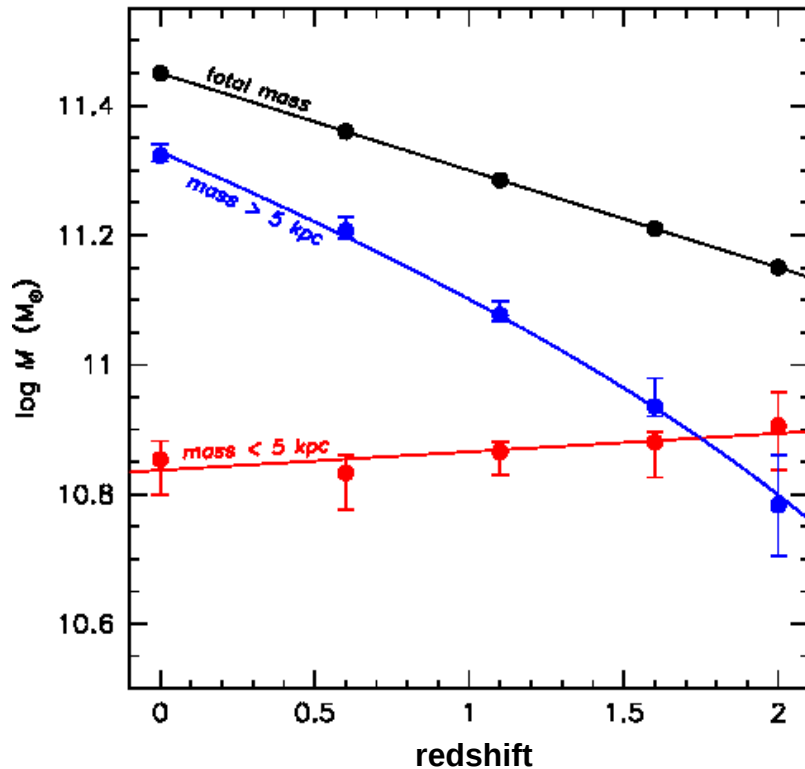


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Inside-out galaxy assembly



- Gradient is much steeper at $z=2$ than $z=0$
 - Indicative of inside-out growth
- Inner gradient flattened by radial mixing
- Stellar mass grows mostly at large radii for $z < 2$
 - Metallicity increases more at large radii

Summary

- Kinematics: high rotation fraction
 - Velocity dispersion $\sigma \sim 50\text{-}100$ km/s, $V/\sigma < 2$
- Star formation: clumpy
 - Multiple giant HII regions in each galaxy
 - SFR density $\sim 100\times$ higher than in local spirals
- Metallicity: steeper gradient than in local galaxies
 - Metallicity gradient = $-0.27_{\pm 0.05}$ dex/kpc in J1206
 - Suggests inside-out growth
- High angular resolution is crucial!
 - Results are not recovered without strong lensing
 - Next-generation telescopes (TMT, ALMA, JWST) will provide the same resolution with much larger samples



yeah!