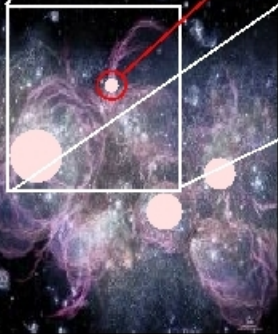
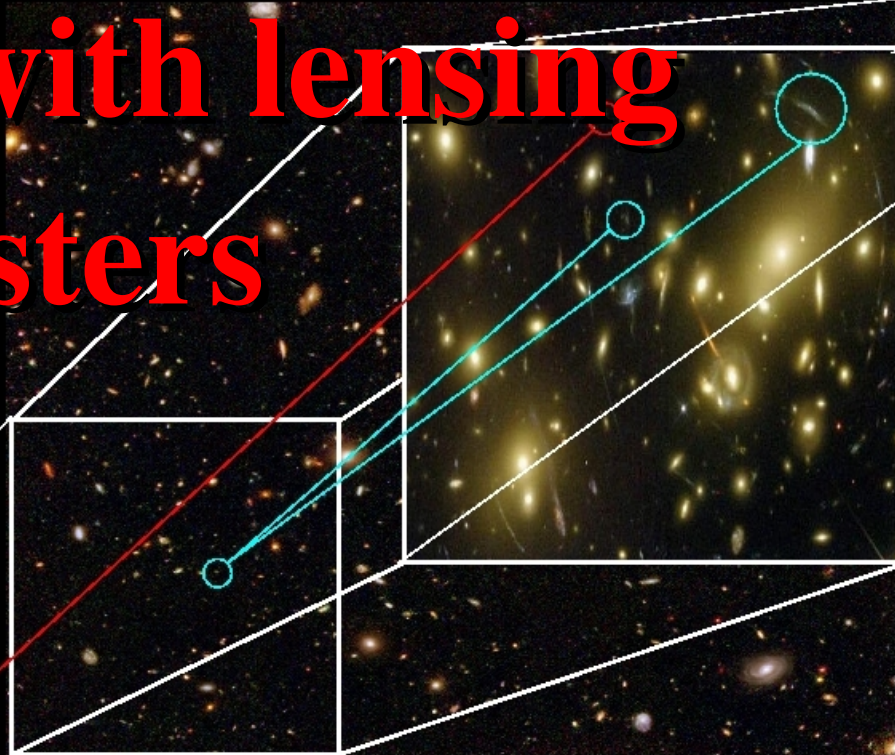
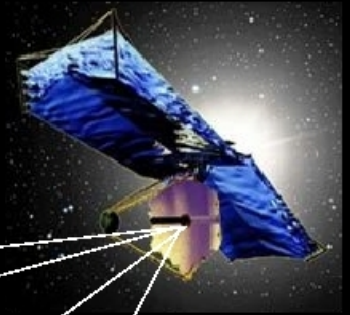


# Studying the first galaxies with lensing clusters



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lensing cluster

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See also R. Ellis and J. Richard's talks this morning





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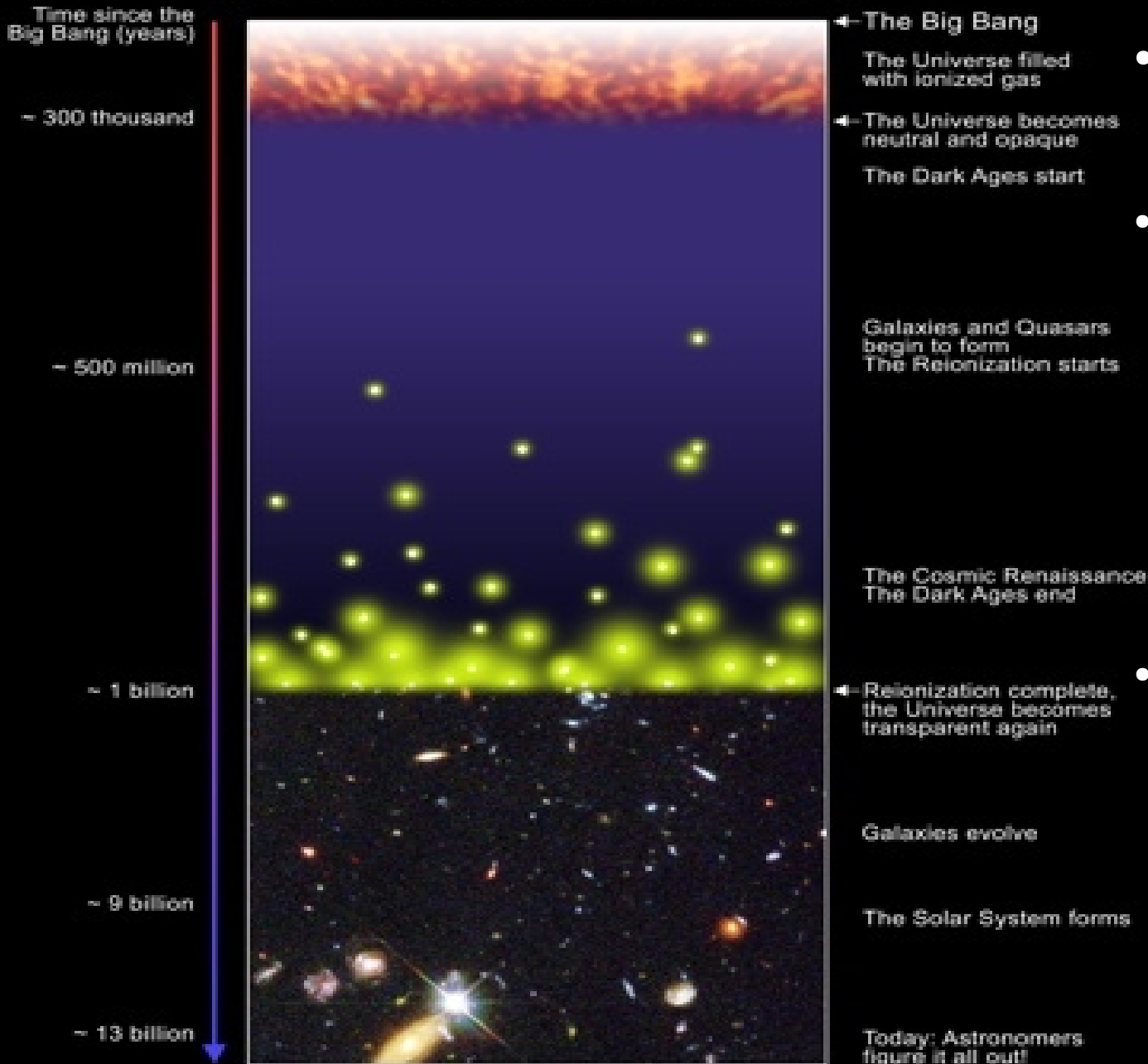
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# What is the Reionization Era?

A Schematic Outline of the Cosmic History



S.G. Djorgovski et al. & Digital Media Center, Caltech

- **WMAP results:** reionization epoch  $z \sim 9-13$  (Spergel et al. 2006)
- Reionization completed at  $z \sim 6-6.5$  (Fan et al. 2002)

**====> contribution of star-forming systems to cosmic reionization**

- What are the physical properties of these objects: SFR, extinction, metallicity, IMF, ...?

*from Djorgovski et al & NASA/WMAP Science Team.*



# Outline:

1. A multi-wavelength survey of distant galaxies ( $z > \sim 7$ ) with Gravitational Telescopes: present state of the art.
  - Project design and selection of photometric candidates
  - Summary of photometric results (UV LF and  $\rho(\text{SFR})$ )
  - Spectroscopic follow-up and multi-wavelength analysis.
2. Designing future surveys: a matter of efficiency.
  - Lensing or blank fields?
  - Towards an « ideal » sample of lensing clusters.

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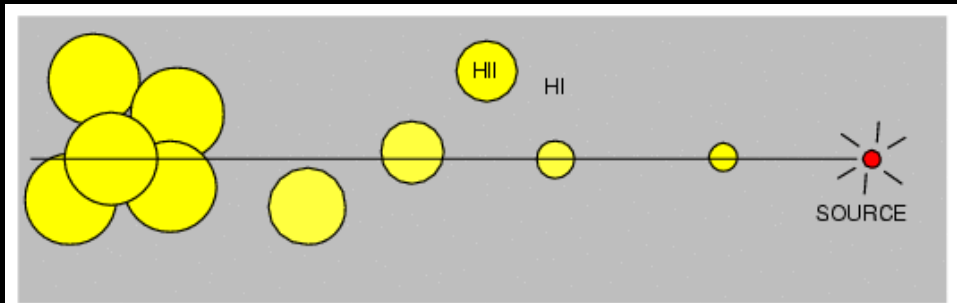
# Project Design

- **2001 ---> SpectroPhotometric Simulations:**
  - Broad-band colors for “drop-out” selection at various redshifts ( $z\sim 6-7$ ,  $z\sim 7-8$ ,  $z\sim 8-12$ ).
  - Expected magnitudes for normal, low metallicity, and PopIII starbursts with different IMF, SF histories.
  - Feasibility studies: lensing vs. blank fields; pilot studies for the new generation of near-IR instruments .
- **2002 ---> Deep near-IR (JHK, SZ) Imaging of well studied lensing clusters with ISAAC/VLT combined with deep optical imaging, including HST imaging.**
- **2003 ---> High-z Candidate Selection. Different detection criteria. Exploitation of final H-band selected sample.**
- **2003/04 ---> Pilot Spectroscopic Follow-up of best candidates ISAAC/VLT.**
- **2005/06 ---> Multi-wavelength follow up (Spitzer-IRAC, Chandra, IRAM, ...)**

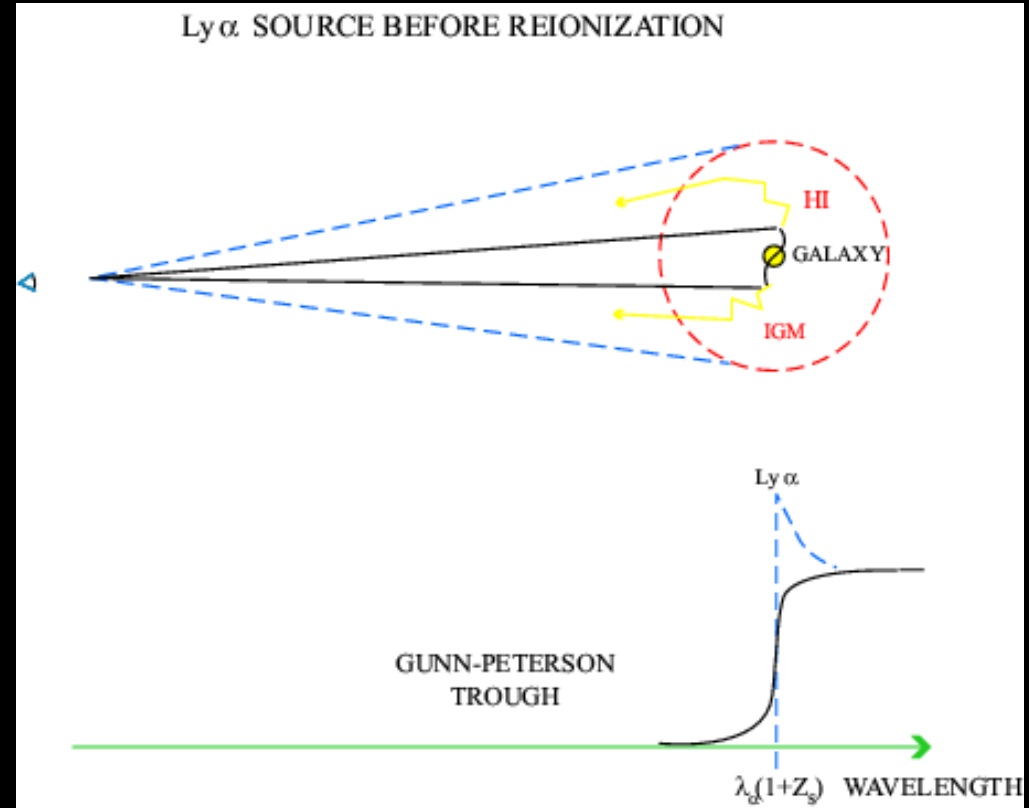
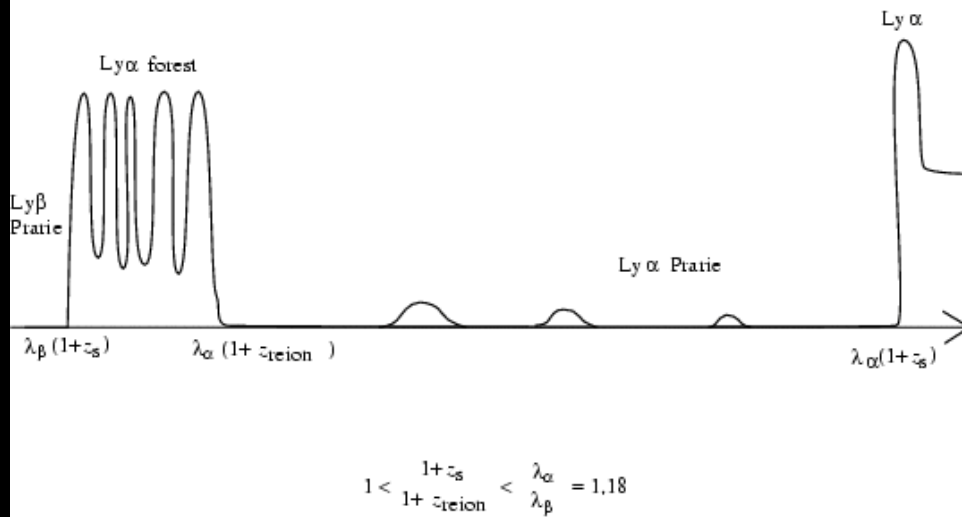


Next generation of multi-object near-IR spectrographs

# Project Design



Spectrum



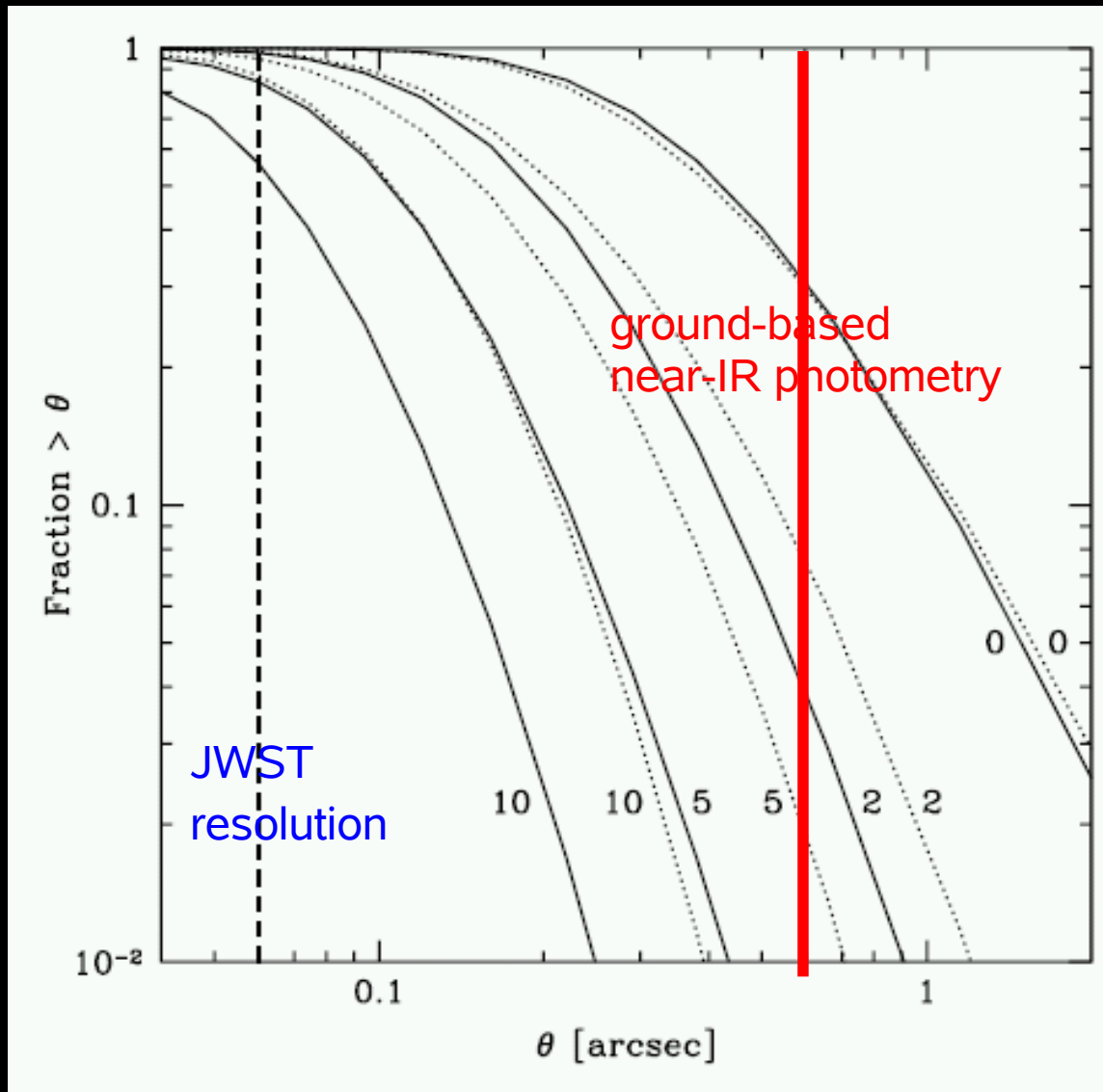
**SED of a source at  $z > z_{reionisation}$**

*From Loeb & Barkana 00*

**Scattering of Ly  $\alpha$  photons in the spectrum of a source at  $z > z_{reionisation}$ , for a galaxy within a neutral IGM**



# Project Design

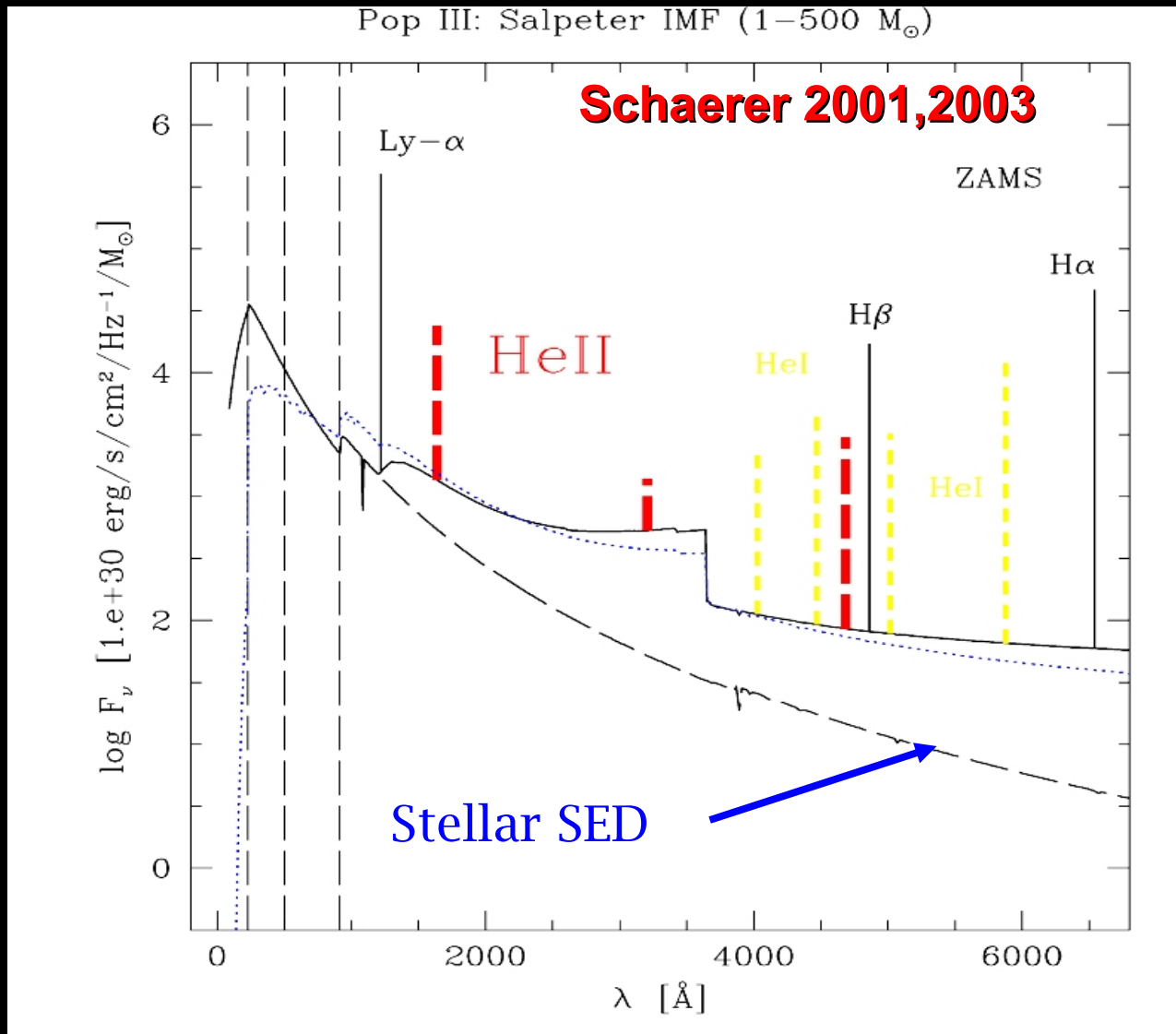


- Distribution of disk sizes in  $\Lambda$ CDM model.
- Diameter measured out to one exponential scale length.
- Limiting point-like source flux of 1nJy.
- Most  $z \sim 10$  sources are expected to remain non-resolved, even with a magnification factor  $\mu \sim 10$ .

*From Barkana & Loeb 2000*

# Project Design

- « Normal », low-metallicity and genuine PopIII starbursts



## Genuine PopIII

### starbursts:

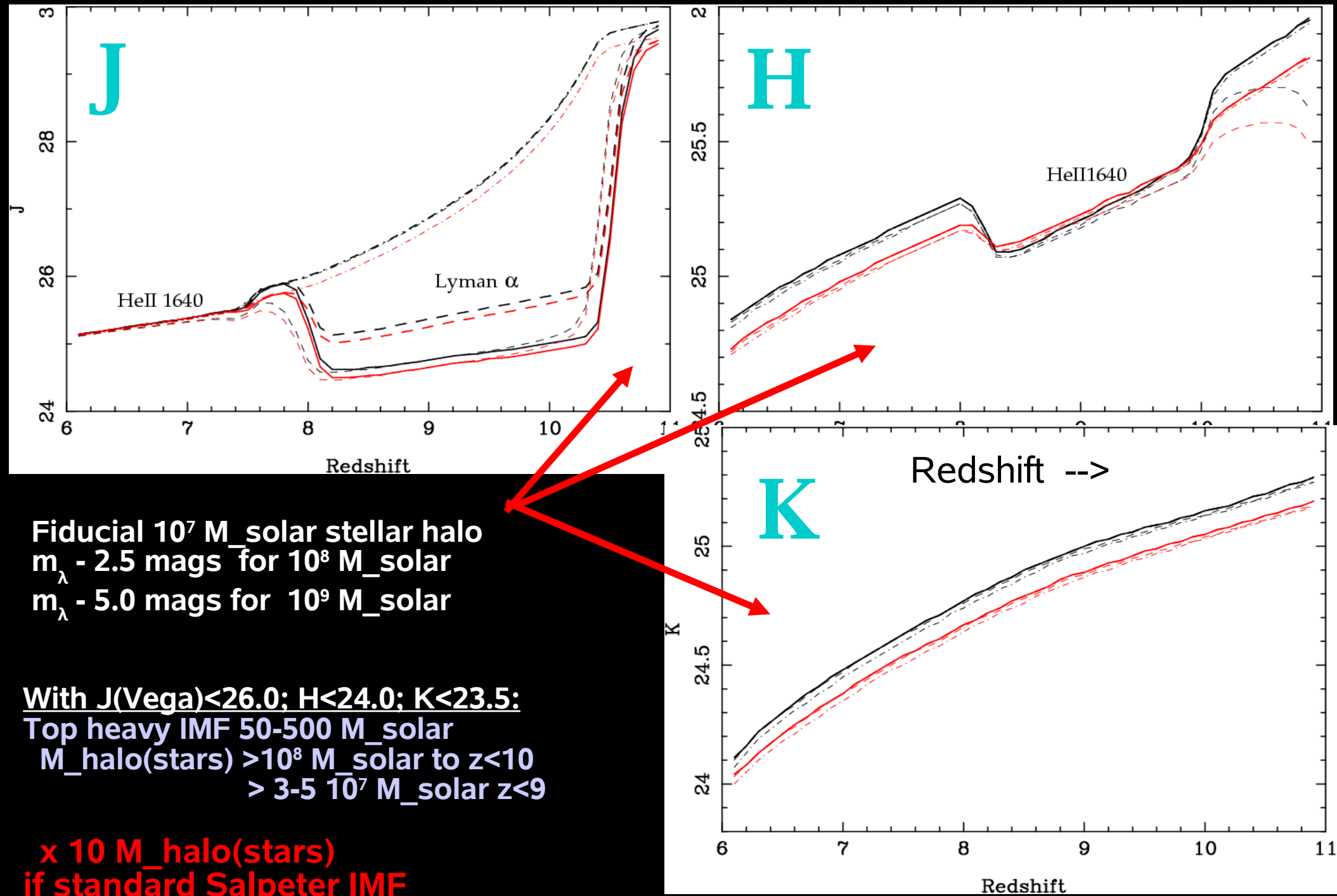
- Top - heavy IMF
- Very massive stars, up to  $\sim 500-1000 M_{\text{solar}}$

Nebular continuous emission dominates the spectrum at  $\lambda > 1400 \text{ \AA}$

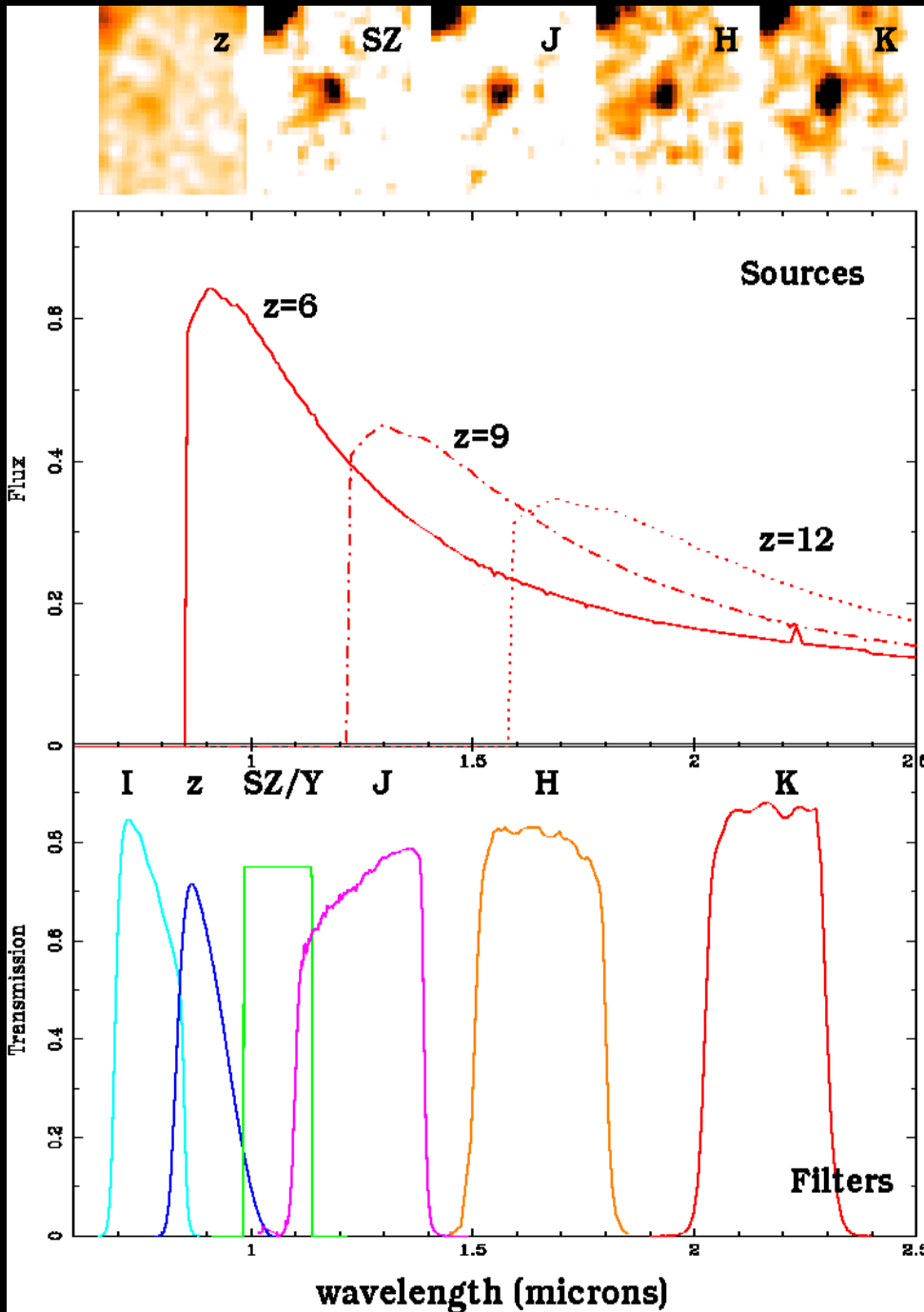
+ Strong HeII lines?: HeII  $\lambda 1640$ , HeII  $\lambda 3203$ , HeII  $\lambda 4686$ , ...



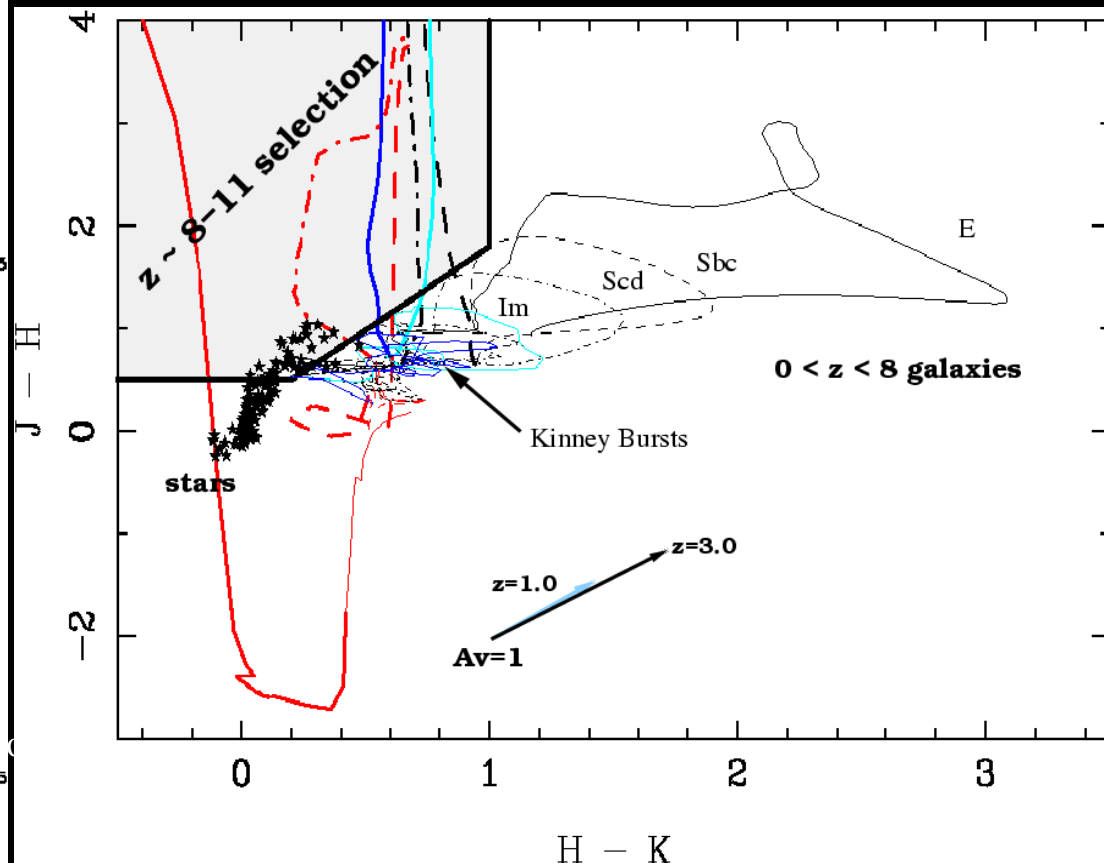
# Near-IR Broad-Band magnitudes



# Selection of photometric candidates

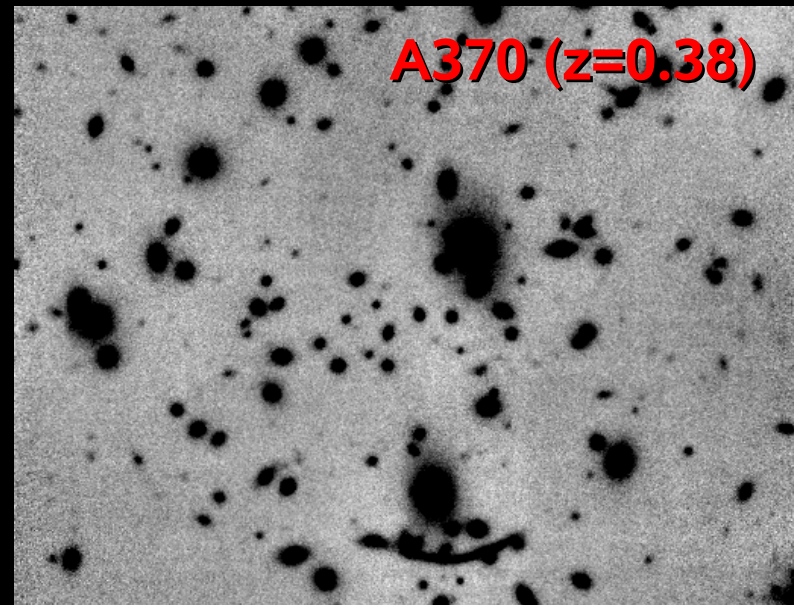
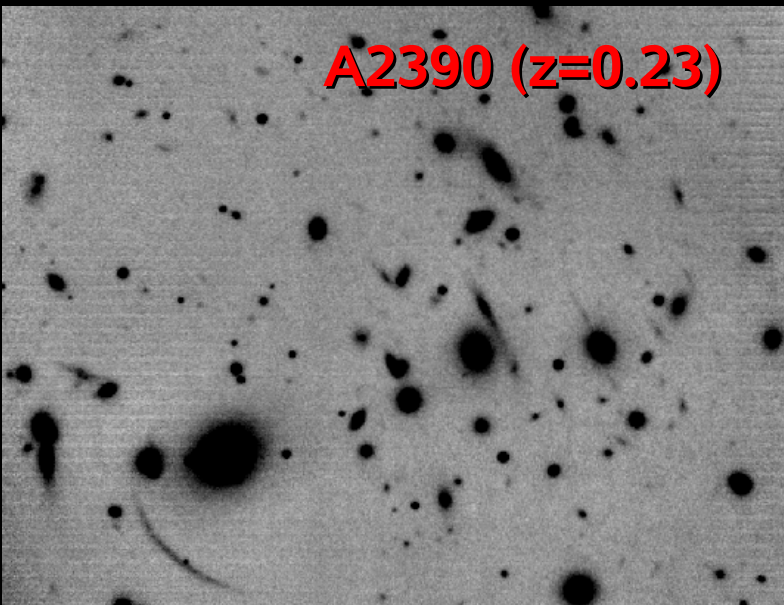
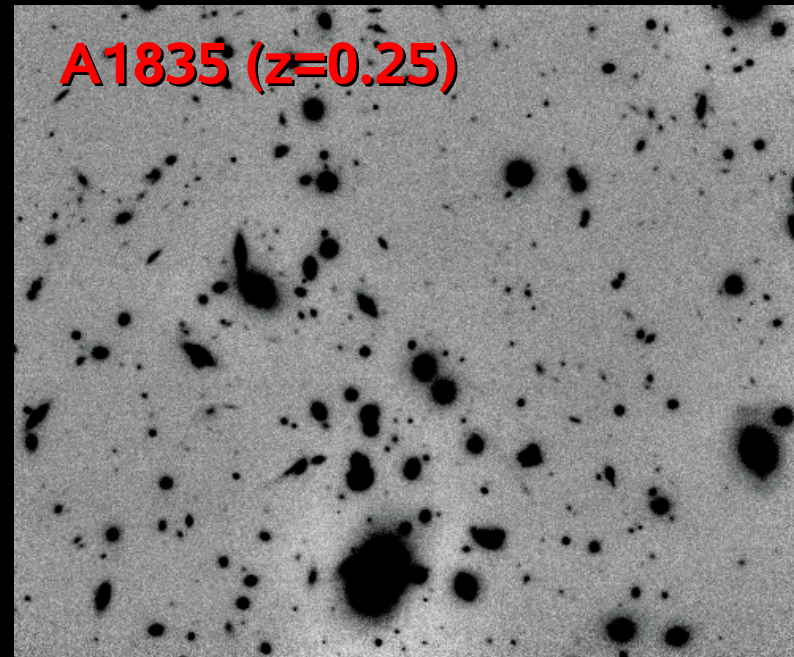
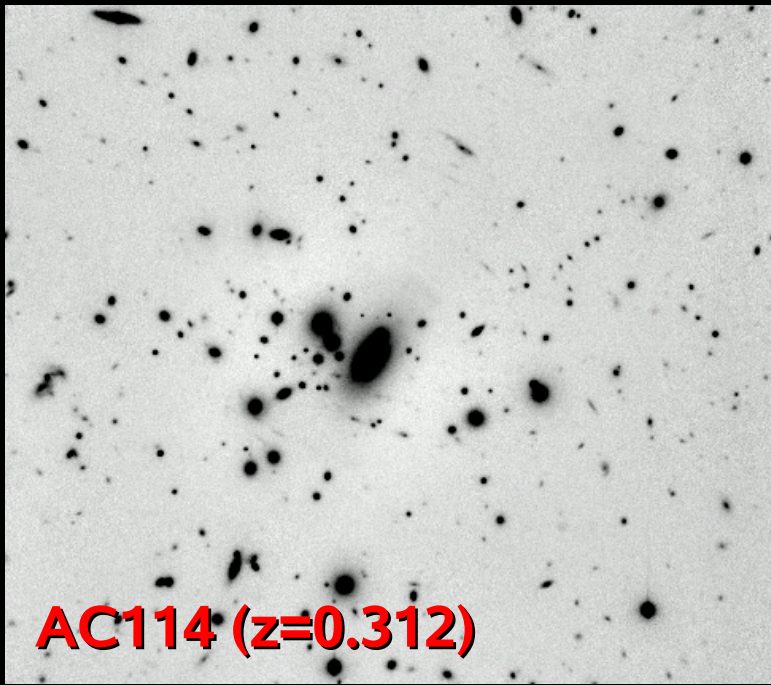


- Optical dropouts + near-IR colors
- Filter combinations:
  - $z \sim 6-7$ : zYJ
  - $z \sim 7-8$ : YJH
  - $z \sim 8-12$ : JHK
- SED-fitting and photo-zs (adapted version of Hyperz)



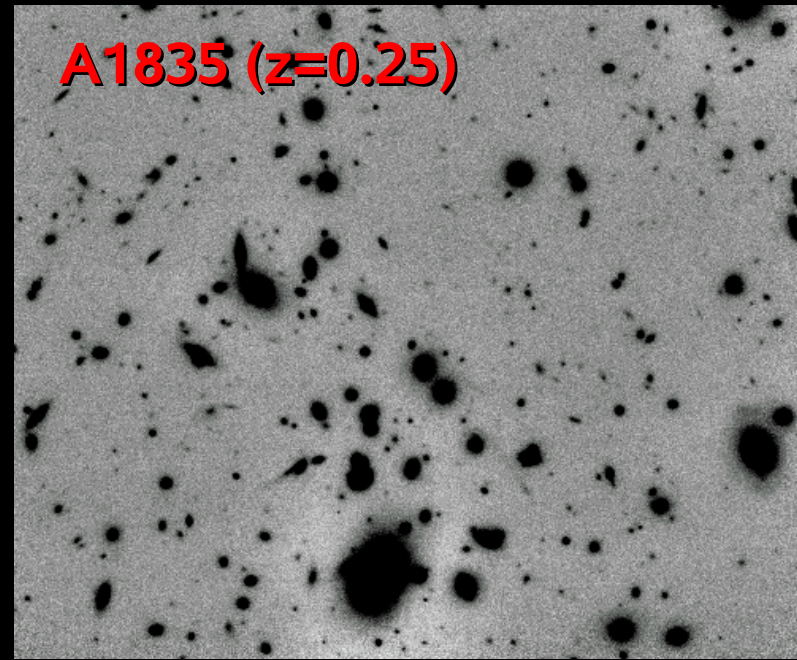
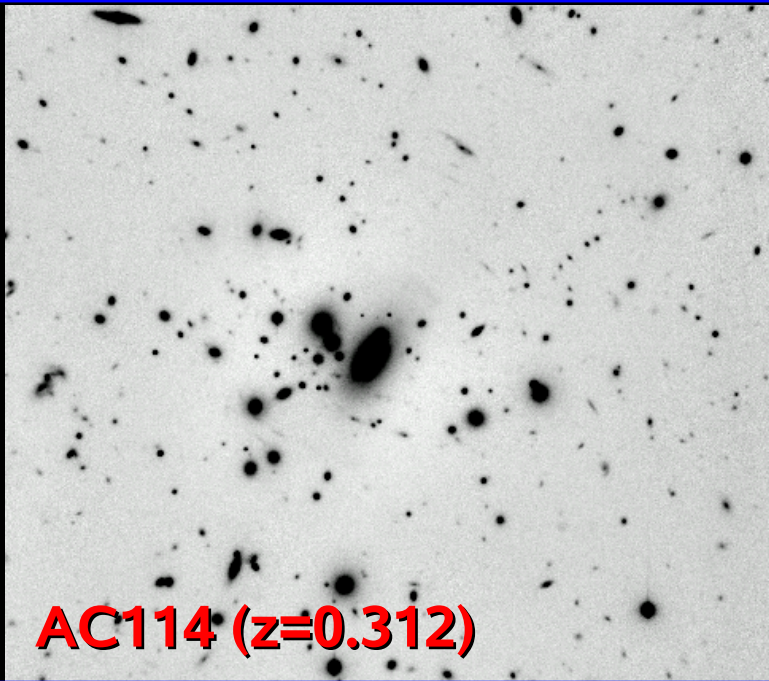


# Summary of photometric results





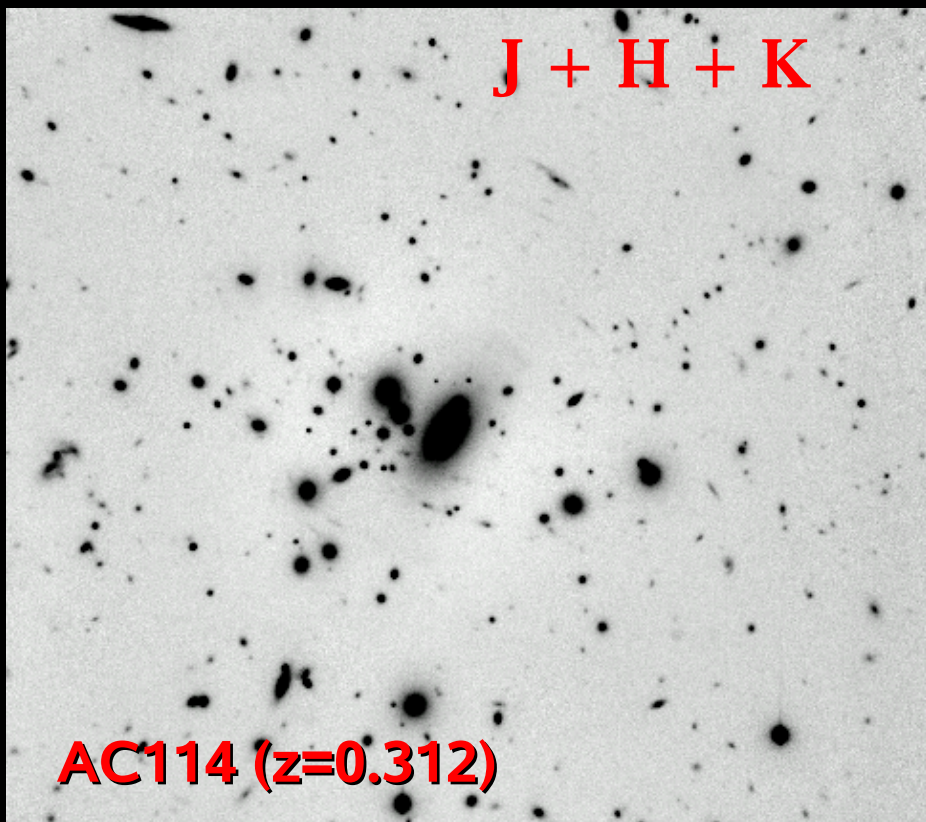
# Summary of photometric results



A2390 ( $z=0.25$ ) *RP, Schaerer, Richard, Le Borgne & Kneib (2004ab)*  
*Richard, RP, Schaerer, Le Borgne & Kneib (2006)*  
*Schaerer, et al. (2007), Hempel, et al. (2007)*

exploitation ongoing





ISAAC/VLT photometry (Vega system,  $3\sigma$ ):

J : 2h ( J = 24.3 )

H : 4h ( H = 23.5 )

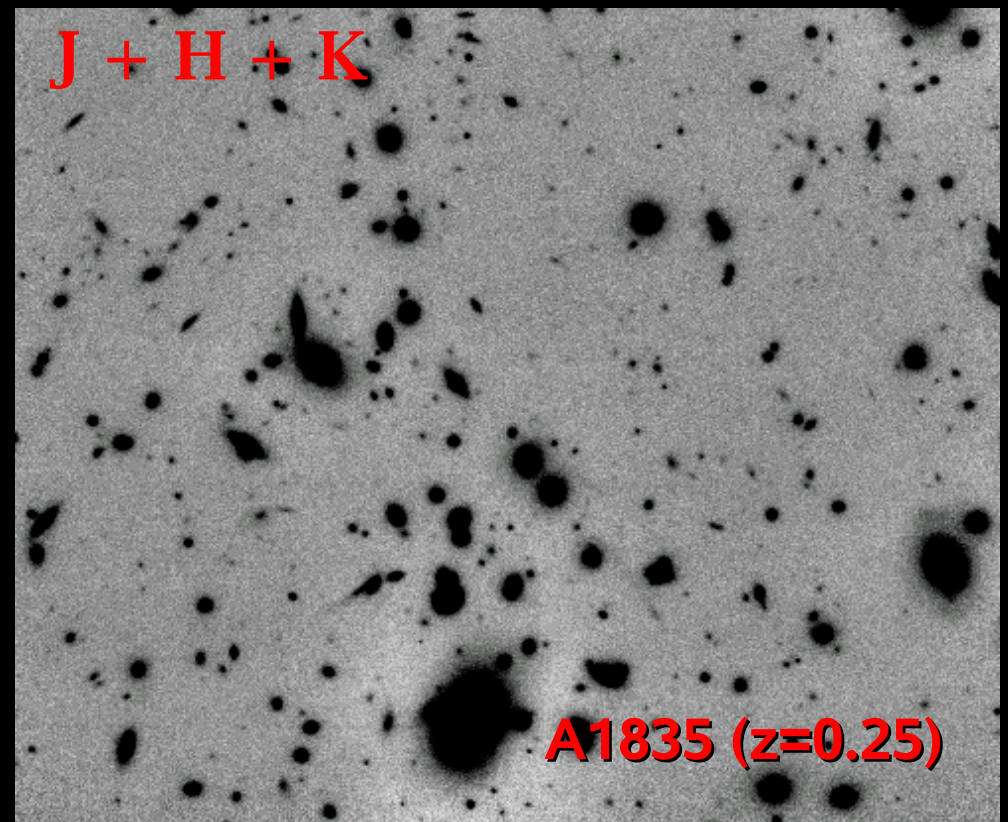
K' : 5.5 h ( K' = 23.2 --> K(AB) ~ 25.0 )

seeing ~0.4-0.6"

+ UBVR Optical data + HST R band

+ ACS/F850W (~28 AB)

+ HST/NICMOS (1/2 pointings) + IRAC/SPITZER new data



ISAAC/VLT photometry (Vega system,  $3\sigma$ ):

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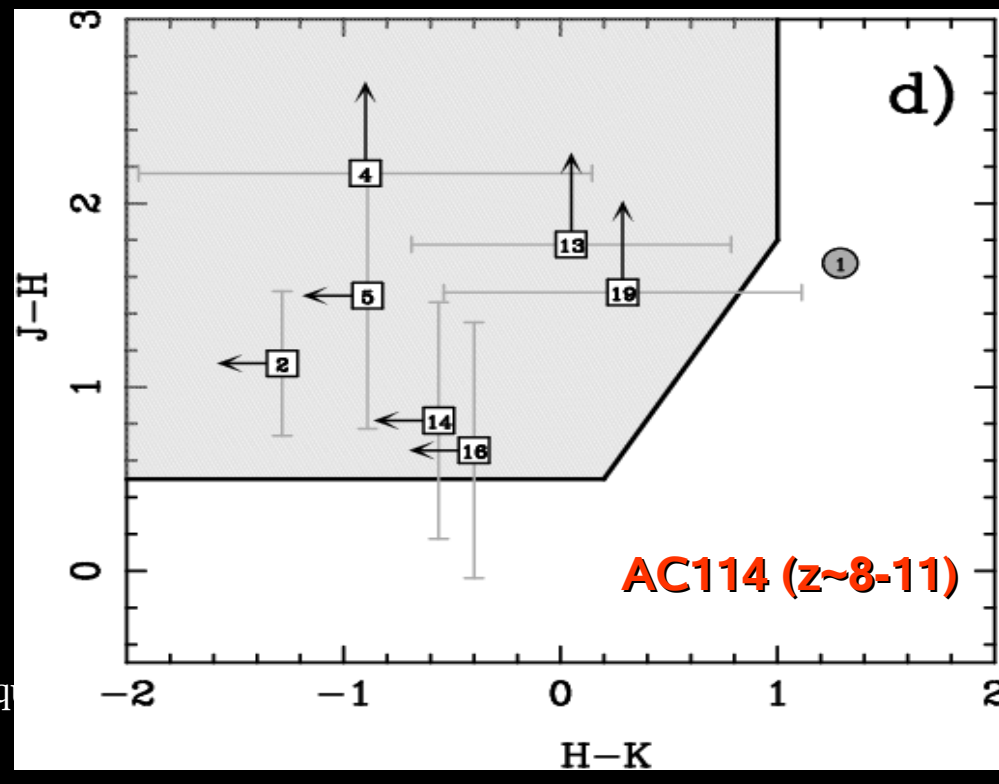
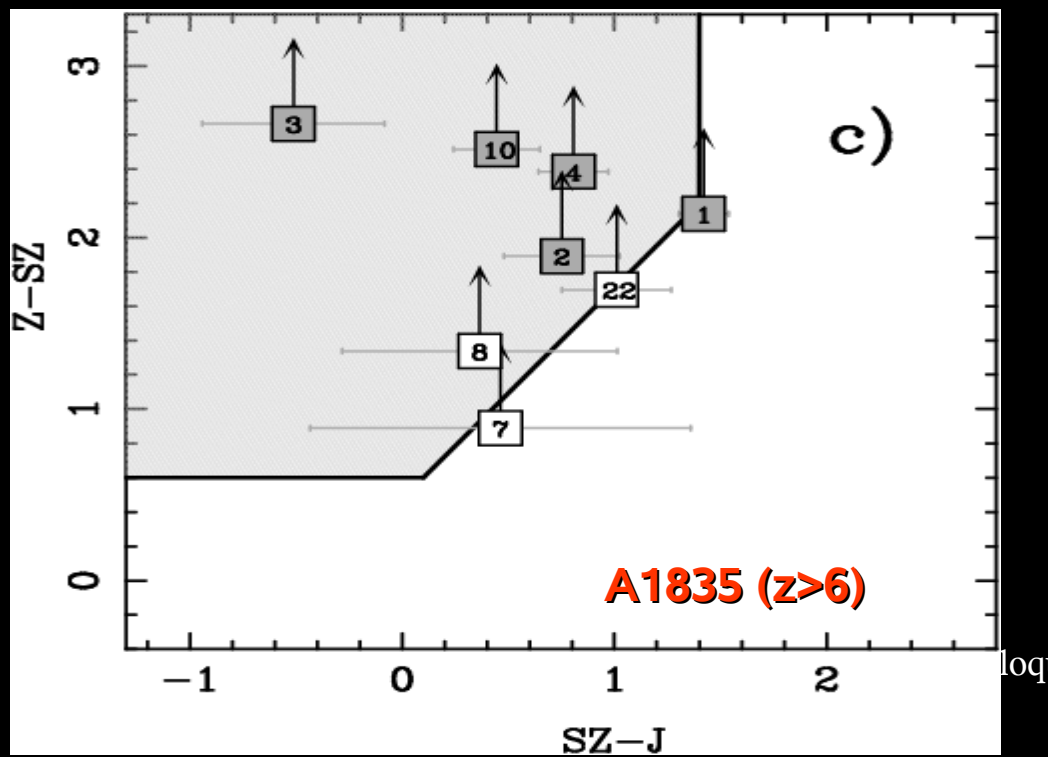
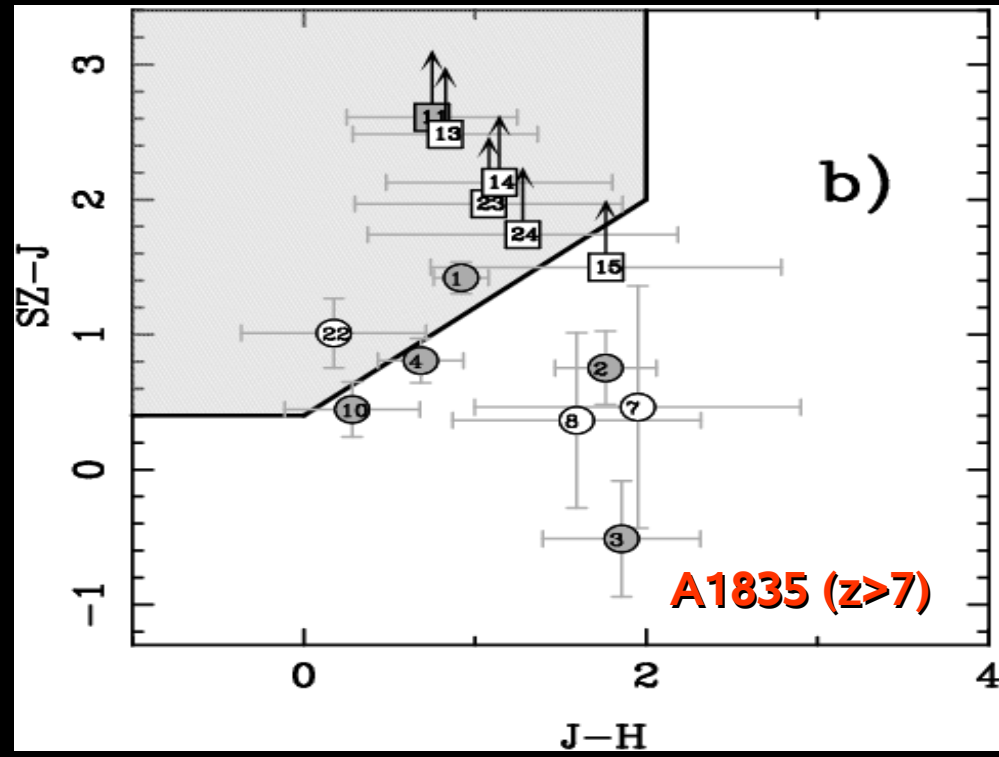
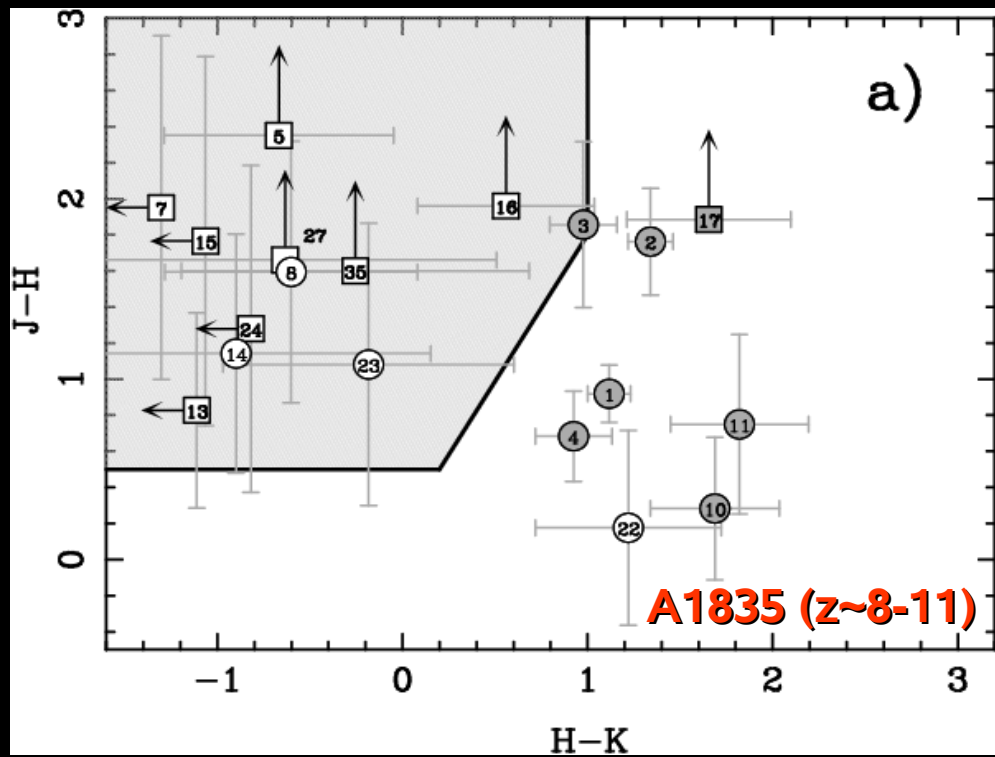
K' : 5.5 h ( K' = 23.6 --> K(AB) = 25.4 ) +

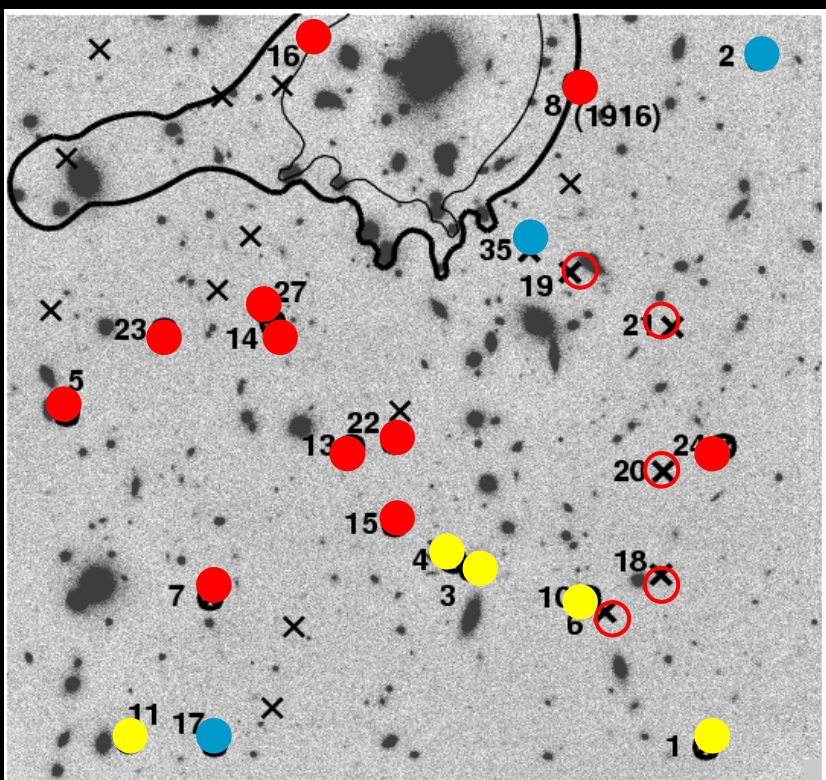
z/FORS (z=25.5) + SZ (Z=25.7)

seeing ~0.4-0.6"

+ VRI Optical data + HST R band







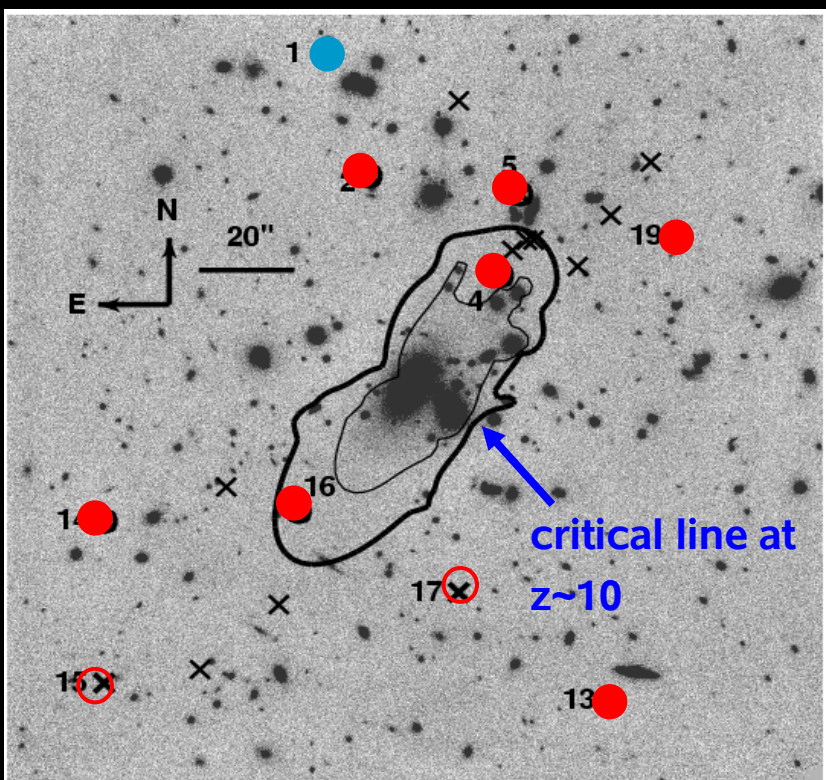
# Location of optical dropouts wrt the critical lines

Photometric ●  
Or spectroscopic ●  
Low-z

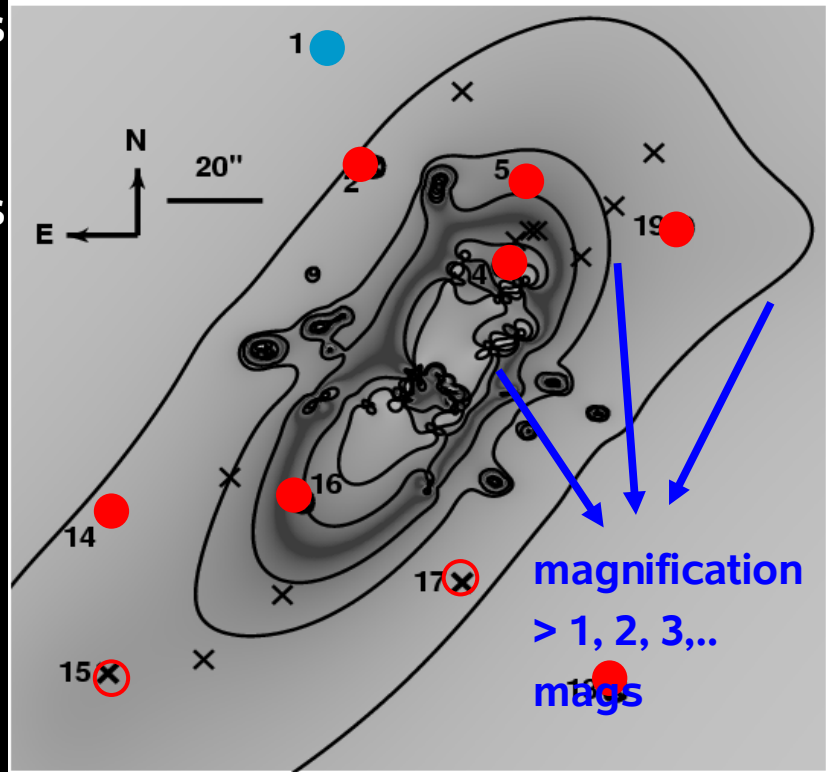
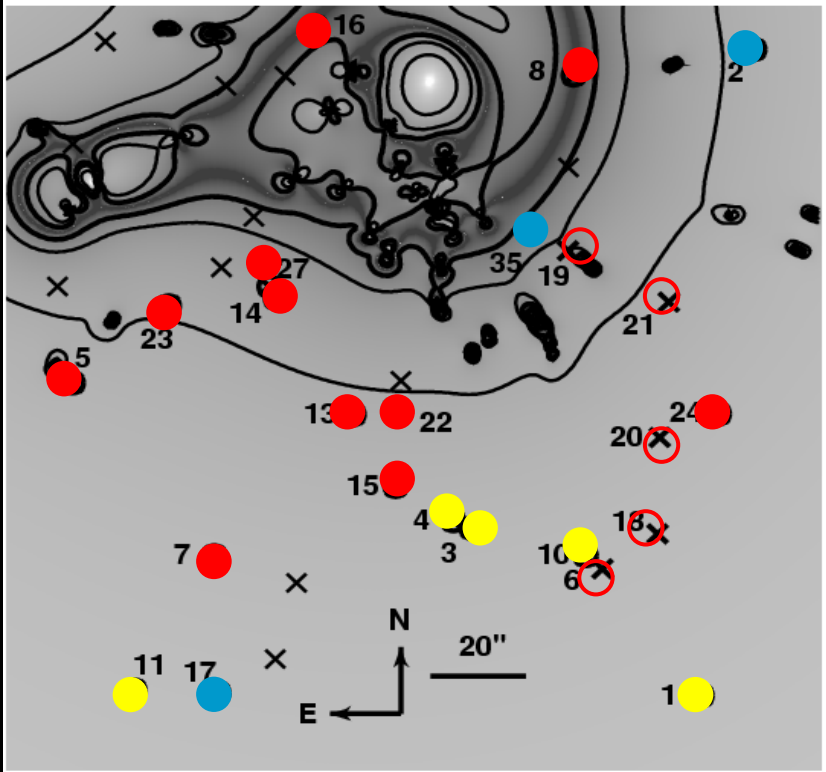
1st category ●  
High-z candidates

2nd category ○  
High-z candidates

●  $22.3 < H < 23.7$   
●  $23.7 < AB < 25.1$   
● EROs &/or  
● Atypical SEDs



critical line at  $z \sim 10$

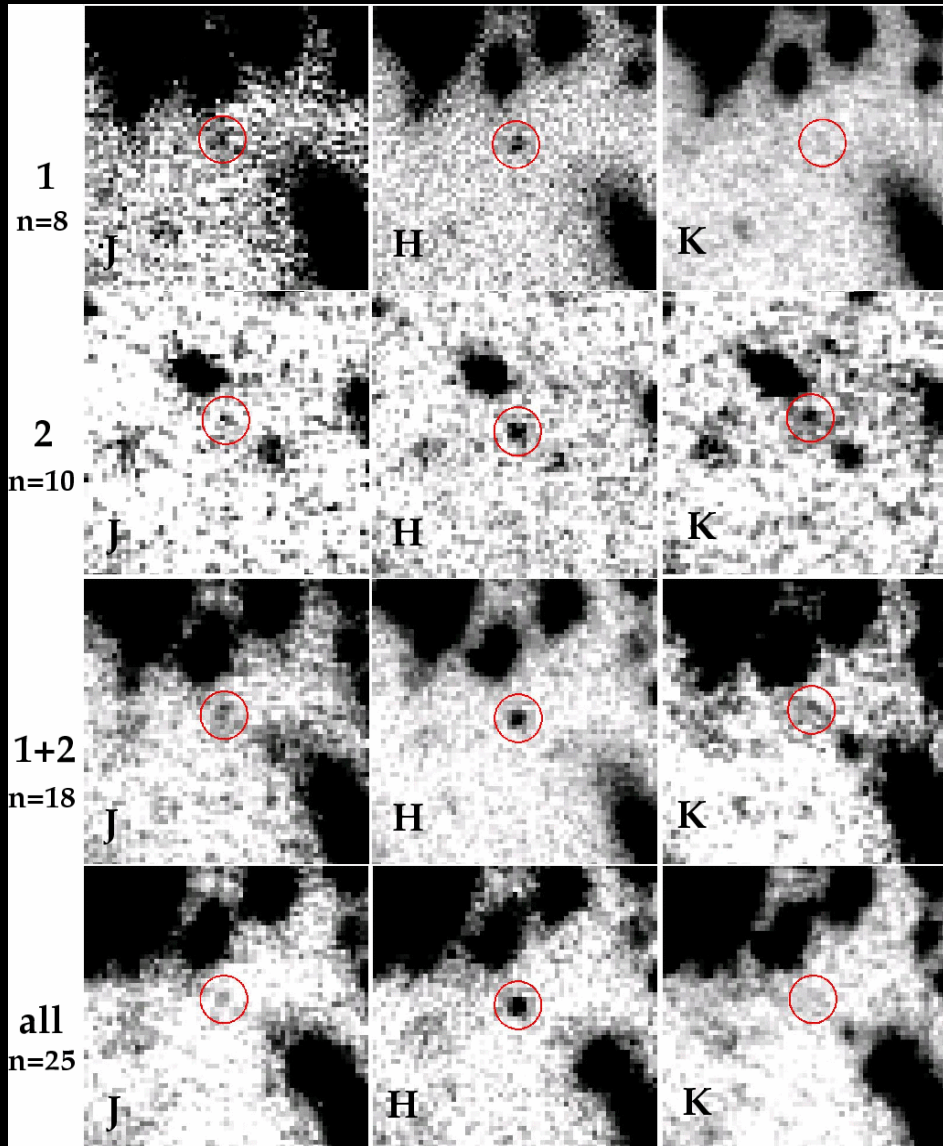


magnification  $> 1, 2, 3, \dots$  mags



# Stacked images of high-z candidates

**J H K**



- 18(8) first & second-category candidates in A1835(AC114)

## CORRECTIONS:

- Lensing:

$$\eta(H_e, z) = \frac{N_o(H_e, z)}{N(H_e, z)}$$

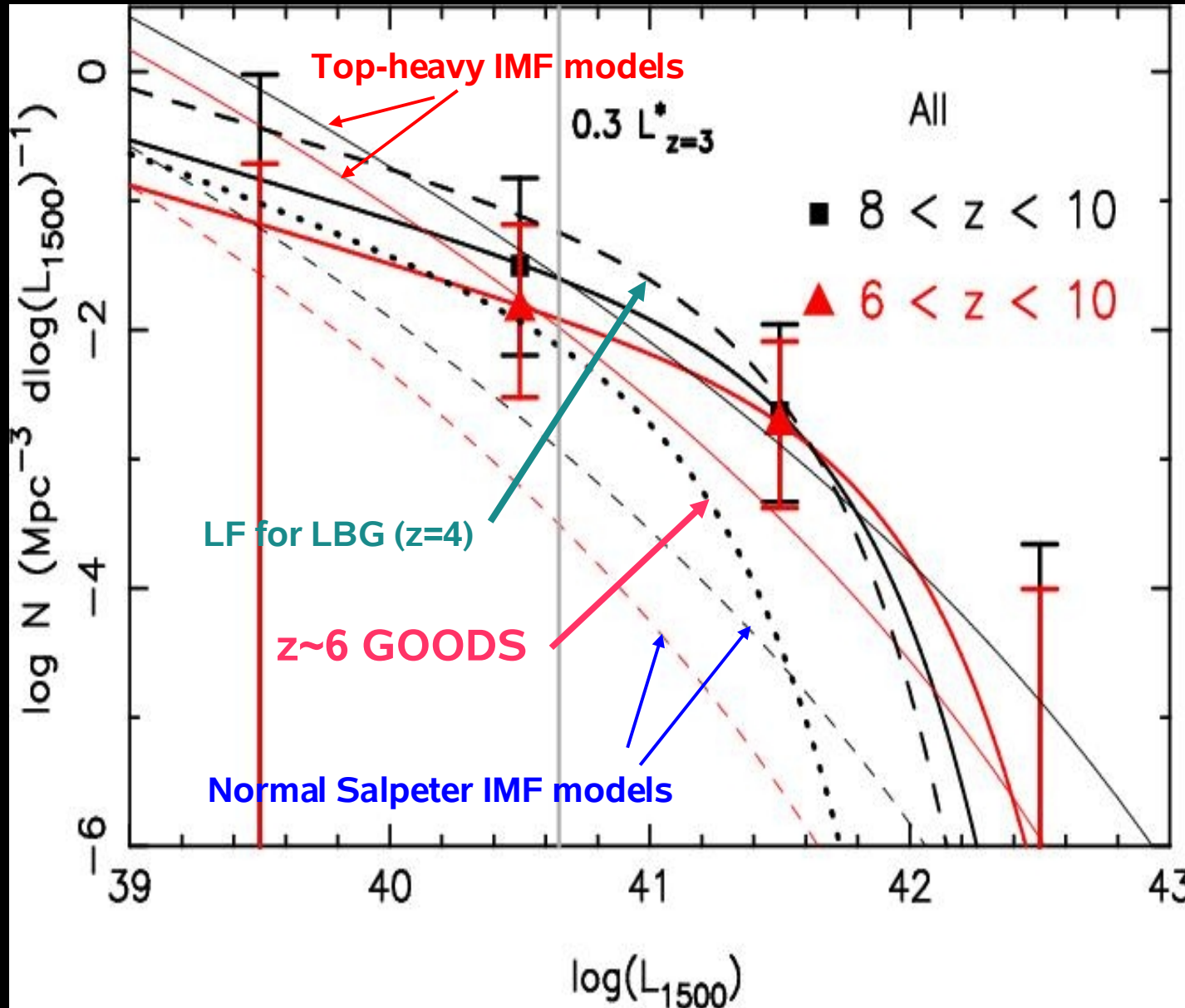
= observed number counts up to He/  
number counts in a blank field  
(same depth and FOV)

$$\begin{aligned} \eta(H_e, z) &= \frac{\int_{\Delta\Omega} \frac{N(H_e, z)}{M(\Omega, z)} C(H_o) d\Omega}{\int_{\Delta\Omega} N(H_e, z) d\Omega} = \\ &= \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\Delta\Omega} \frac{C(H_e - 2.5 \log_{10} M(\Omega, z))}{M(\Omega, z)} d\Omega \end{aligned}$$

- Photometric incompleteness
- False positive detections  
(depending on the detection filters)

# Luminosity Functions

- Correction for lensing effects and incompleteness using the lensing model:



LF fit with

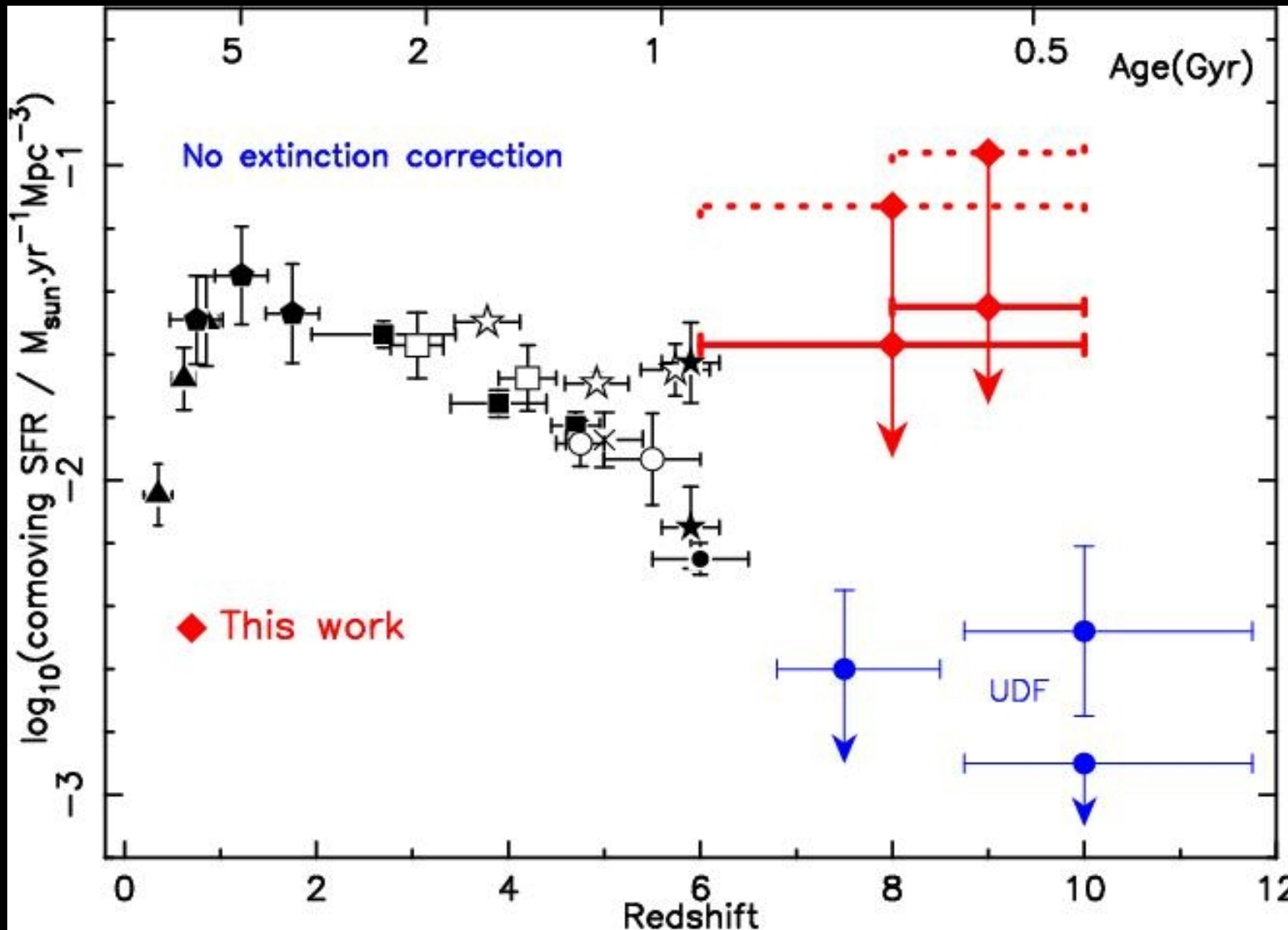
$\alpha = -1.6$  fixed (as for LBGs  $z \sim 3-4$  (Steidel et al. 99):

- STY fit to LF gives:  $L^* \sim 10^{41.5} \text{ erg/s/A}$
- Compatible with Steidel's LF ( $z \sim 4$ ) without any renormalization
- The turnover observed by Bouwens et al. 05 in the UDF, towards the bright end of the LF is not observed in this sample.

*Richard et al. 06*<sup>19</sup>



# Cosmic SFR at $z \sim 6-10$

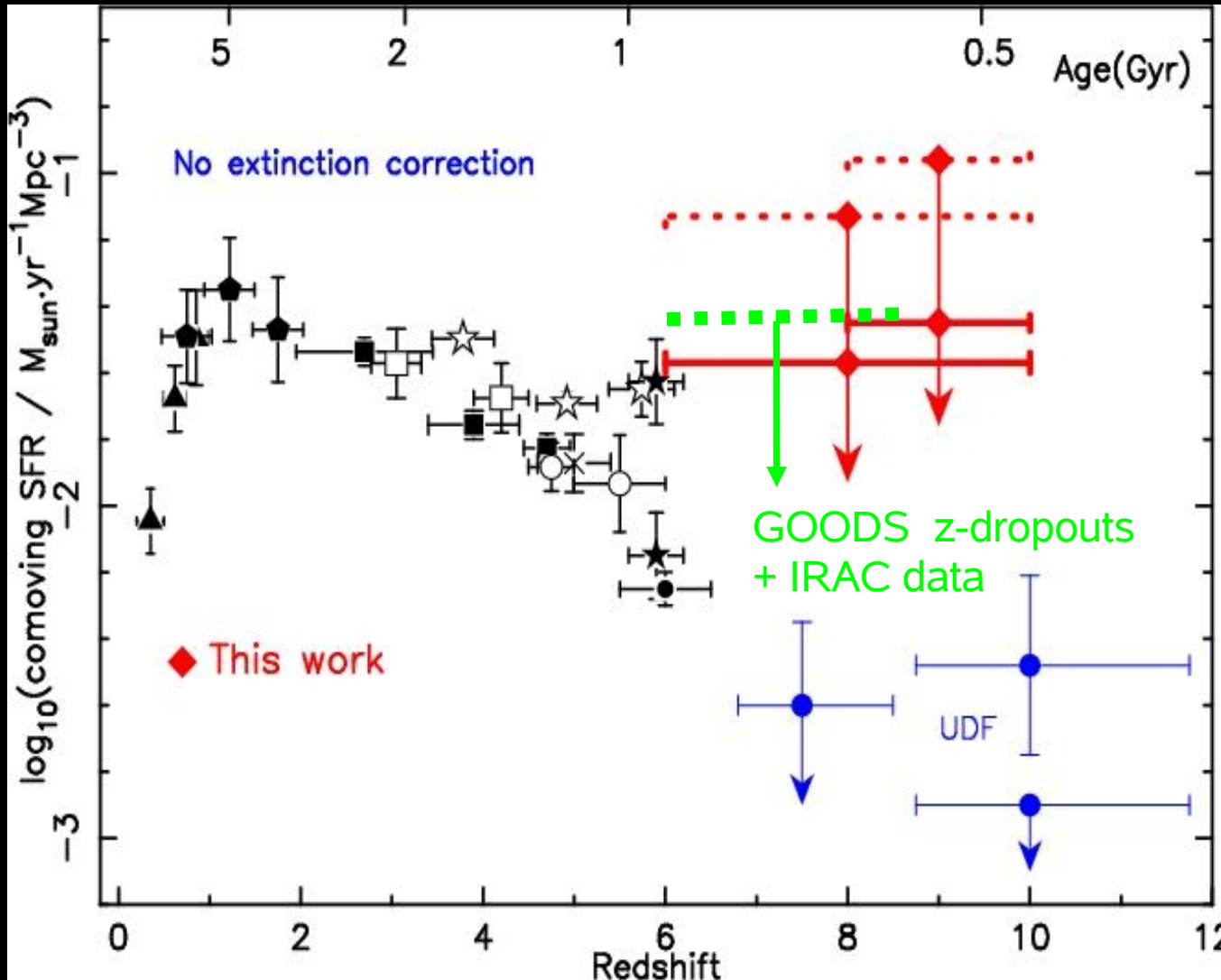


- LF integrated up to  $0.3 L^*(z=3)$
- Results fairly compatible with previous findings at  $z < 6$ , but a factor  $\sim 10$  higher than present  $z \sim 6-10$  studies (UDF, (Bouwens et al. 2004, 2005).

Plot adapted from Bunker et al. 04, normalized to our settings and adopted cosmology.

*Richard et al. 06*

# Cosmic SFR at $z \sim 6-10$



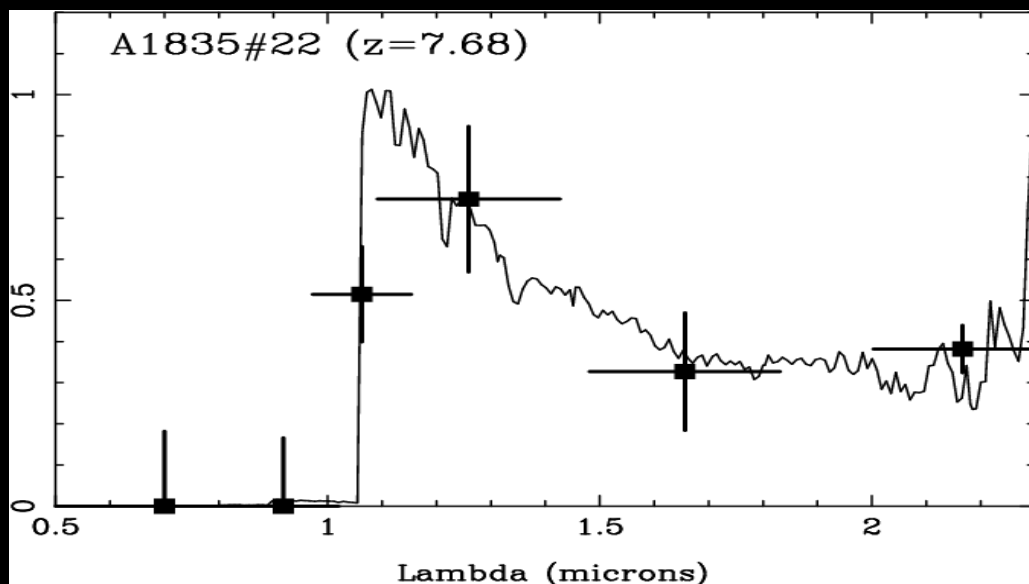
- Results in agreement with maximum SFR density derived from GOODS  $z \sim 7$  z-dropout sources with IRAC data (Labbé et al. 06)
- Discrepancies with other determinations in blank fields. Possible explanations:
  - ➔ *Strong field-to-field variance expected in small fields.*
  - ➔ *Positive magnification bias in our sample due to mid-z interlopers.*
  - ➔ *Residual contamination by fake detections*

Plot adapted from Bunker et al. 04, normalized to our settings and adopted cosmology.

*Richard et al. 06*

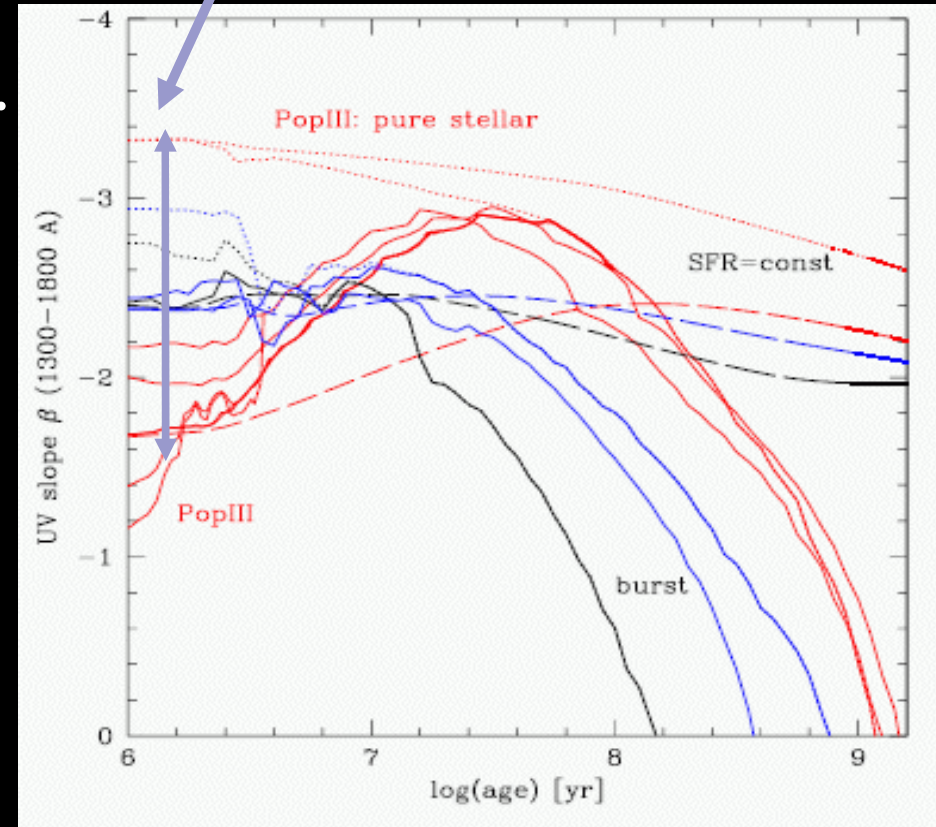
# Intrinsic properties of high-z candidates

- Selection criteria based only on near-IR colors irrespective of magnitudes. Most photometric candidates turn out to be fainter than  $H = 23.0$  ( $AB \sim 24.5 + 2.5 \log \mu$ ). If  $z \sim 6-10$ , young starbursts are typically a few  $10^8 M_{\text{solar}}$  (standard IMF).
- Using Kennicutt 1998 relation  $L_{1500} \rightarrow$  SFR ranging between a few units and 20  $M_{\text{solar}}/\text{yr}$ ..... But equilibrium conditions are not necessarily reached in this objects!



*candidates in lensing fields*

*From Schaerer & Pello 05*



**Very blue UV slope:  $\beta \sim -1.5$  to  $-3.5$**

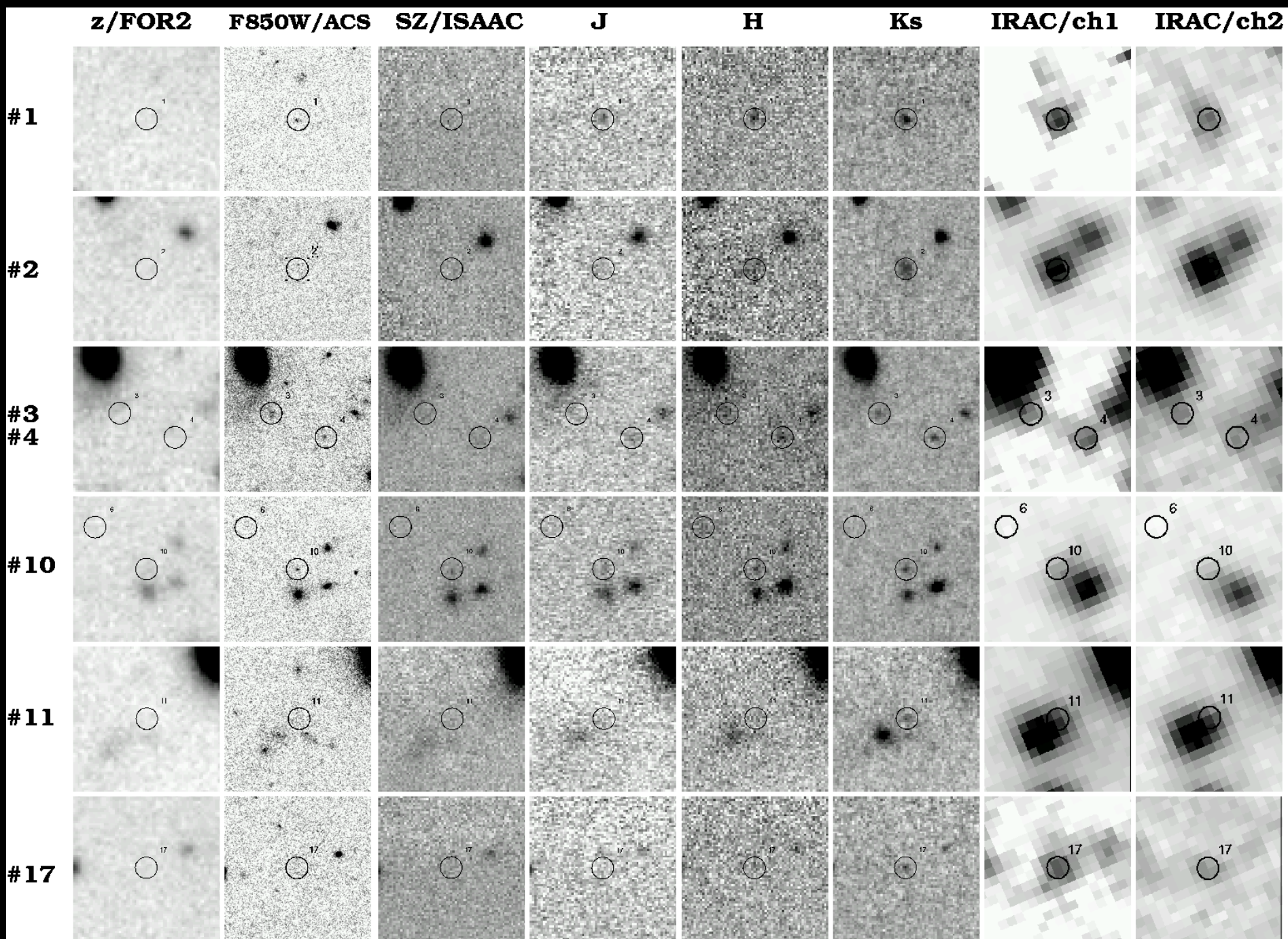
**Cf. GOODS, UDF... surveys**

**==> INDICATION OF LITTLE OR NO EXTINCTION**



# Multi-wavelength analysis

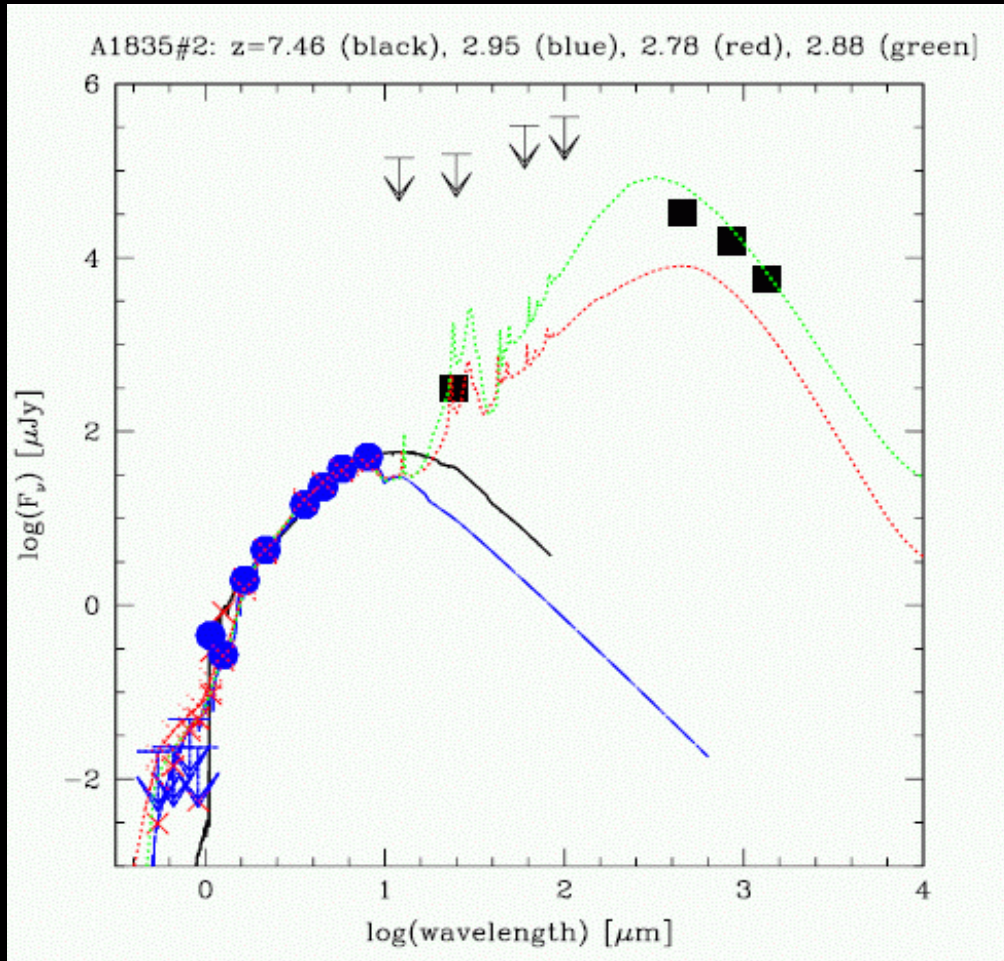
« Bright » optical dropouts in A1835



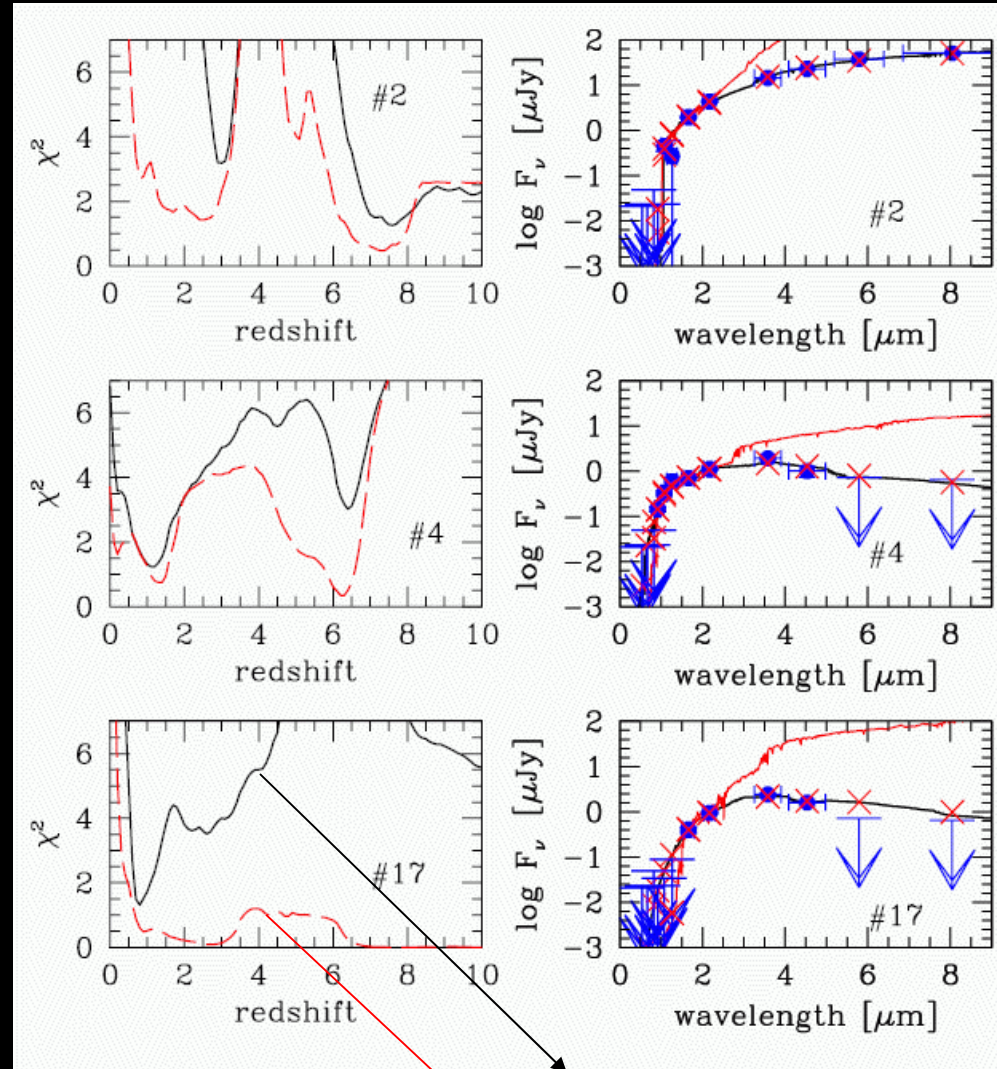


- **IRAC/Spitzer :**

- Detection of brightest objects (ERO) between 3.8 and 8  $\mu\text{m}$  --> new constraints on their **nature and redshift**
- high-z candidates not detected as expected



**ACS/HST z-band observations (non-detection  $Z_{850_{AB}} > 28$  to 28.3) confirm « dropout » nature of  $z > \sim 7$  candidates behind A1835 and AC114.**



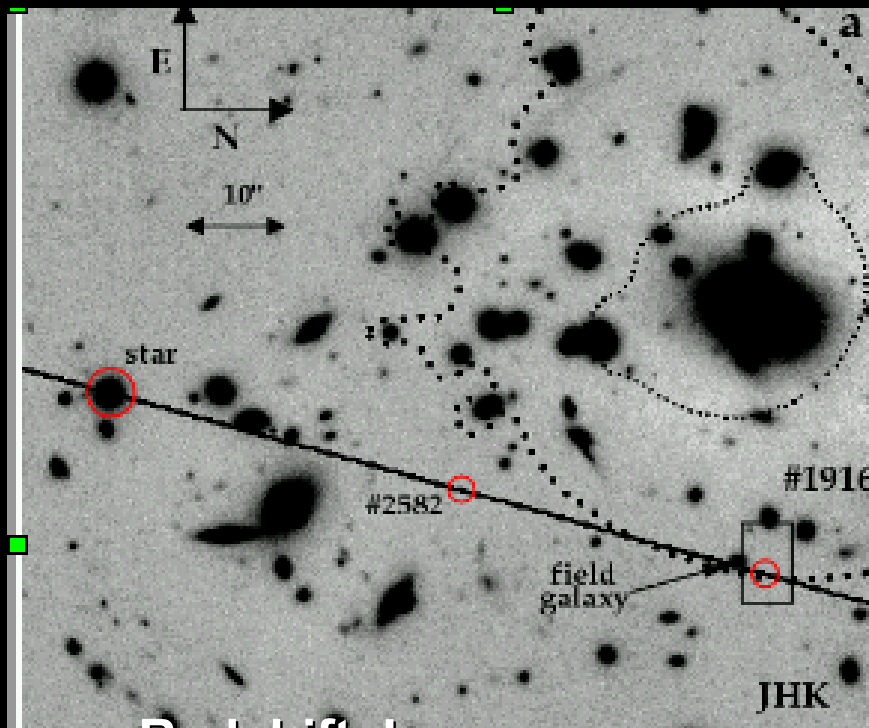
with IRAC data  
without IRAC data

*(Schaerer et al. 07, Hempel et al. 07)*

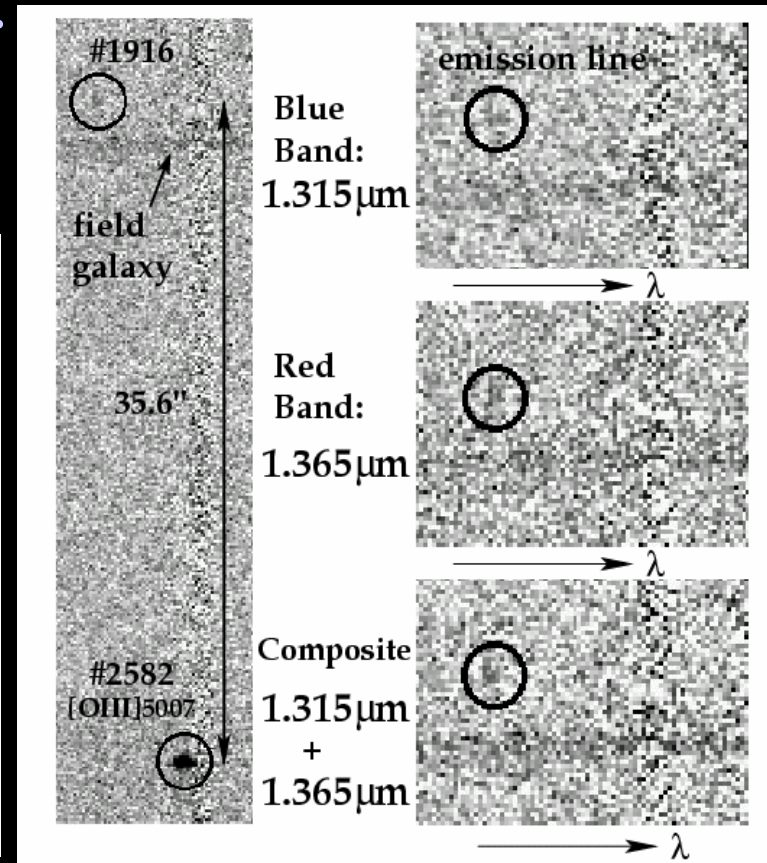
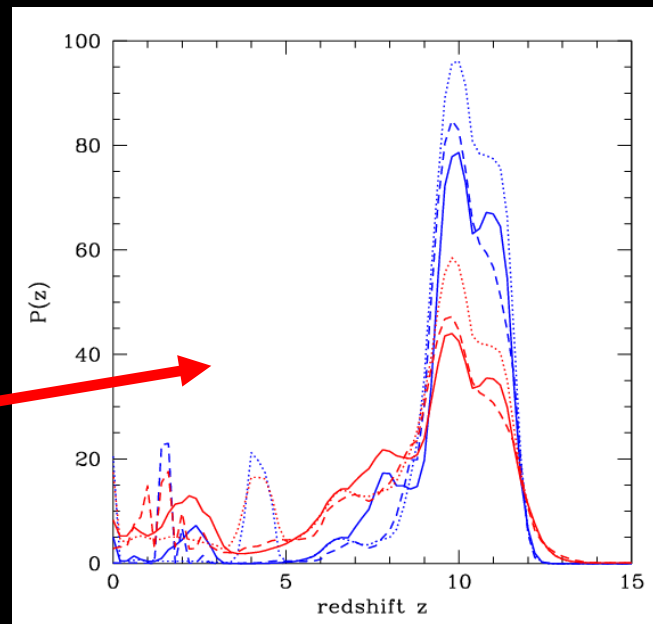
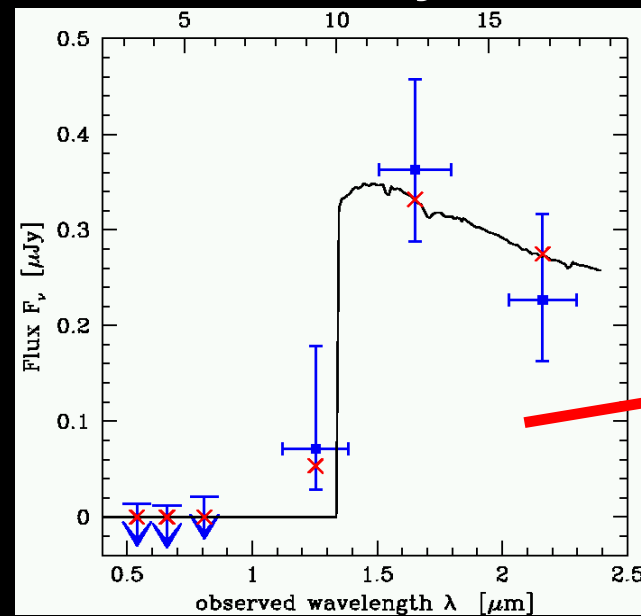


# Spectroscopic follow-up

- Ongoing Spectroscopic follow-up with ISAAC/MLT
- We explore the 0.9-1.4 microns domain,  $R \sim 3100$  (5 bands!). 2 observing runs:
  - Detection run (visitor mode): looking for e-lines with priorities according to photometric  $P(z)$ .
  - Confirmation run (service): re-detecting e-lines and excluding low- $z$  interlopers.



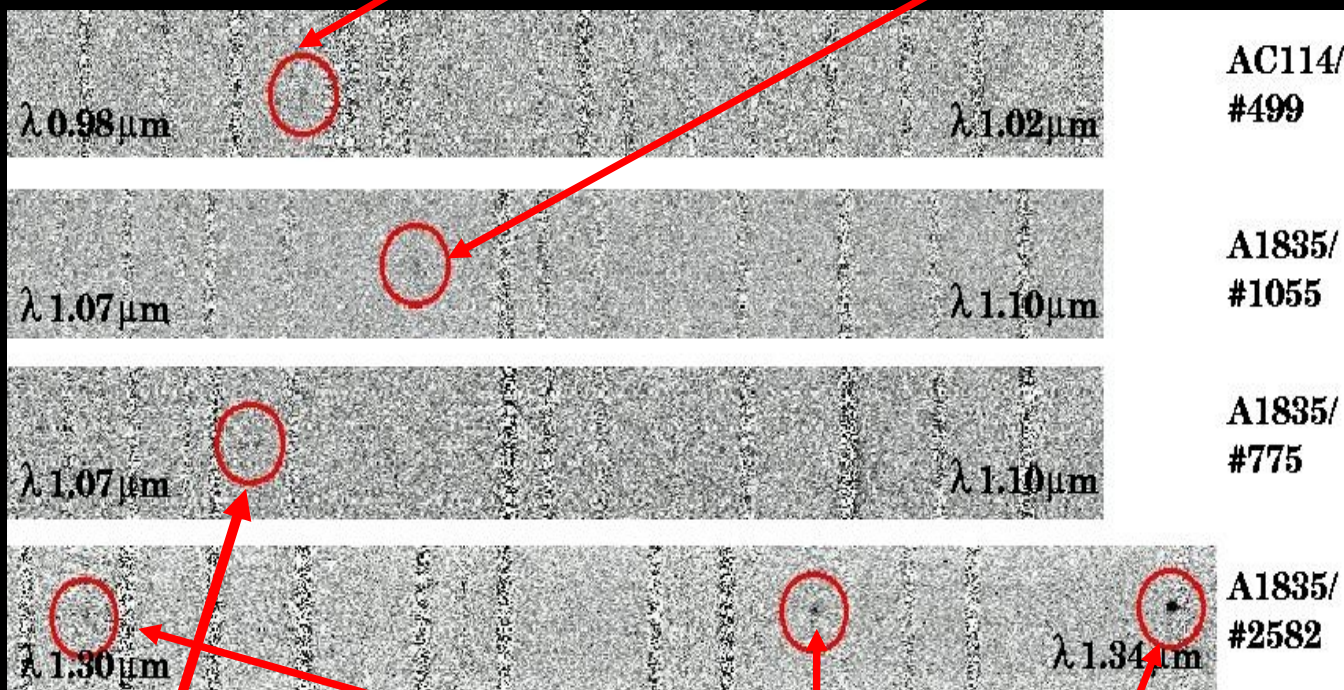
Redshift Ly  $\alpha$



# Spectroscopic follow-up.

$z=7.17$  candidate if Ly  $\alpha$

$z=7.89$  Candidate if Ly  $\alpha$



$z=1.89$ , doublet of [OII]3727

$z=1.67$ , 3 lines detected (Richard et al. 2003)

A tedious and highly inefficient process with ISAAC/VLT...

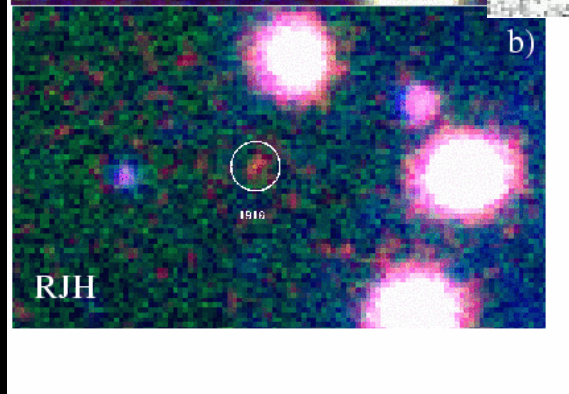
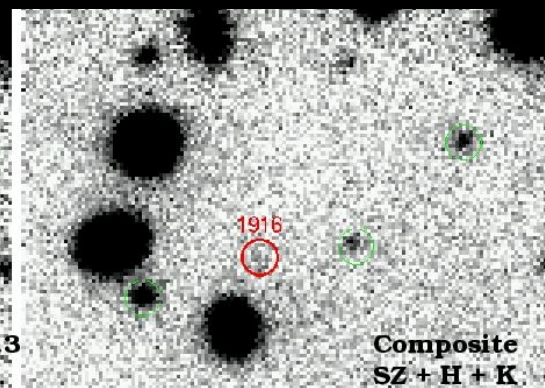
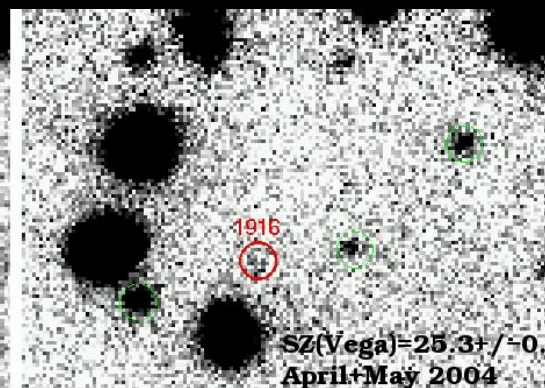
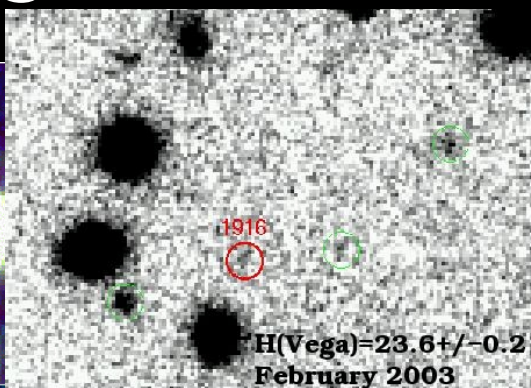
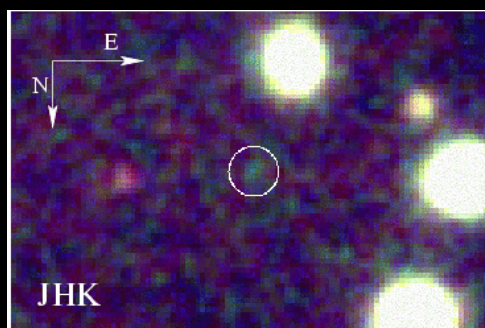
• Targets: 2 priority candidates in AC114, and 7 in Abell 1835 (4 "first priority" targets and 3 secondary ones). From this sample of 9 targets, **2/3 of the objects observed display emission lines.**

- A large majority of our high- $z$  candidates still need to be (re)confirmed, either by a re-detection of a faint emission line, or by the non-detection of other lines expected at low- $z$ .
- FORS/VLT  $z$ -band spectra on the "bright" EROs.

See also Pello et al 04, A&A 416, L35; and astro-ph/0410132



# A puzzling source: A1835#1916, a distant AGN?



## New photometry ==> INTRINSIC VARIABILITY OF THE SOURCE: AGN?

- Non-detection in H (29/06/04; Bremer et al 2004)
- Re-detection at 1.06 microns (05/04) ==> more likely  $z\sim 7-8$ .
- Non-detection on deep images in the visible bands (Keck & VLT; e.g. Lehnert et al. 2005) confirms the « optical dropout »)

## New spectroscopy in the H band: low-z solutions excluded/unlikely

- 1.6915 to 1.8196 microns, 2 adjacent bands (30/36 frames x 900 sec).
- No other lines detected (e.g. HeII 1640 ...)

All solutions at low-z between  $z\sim 2 - 2.6$  seem excluded, as well as most solutions at  $z < 2$ .

## Re-analysis of original ISAAC spectra:

Absolute wavelength calibration was  $\sim 4.5\text{\AA}$  off ( $\Rightarrow 7-9$  pixels in blue-red bands) in original paper: line detected at 1.33790 ( $\pm 0.0001$ ) microns (instead of the 1.33745 microns). Photometric constraints : more likely CIV1550 at  $z = 7.6$ .

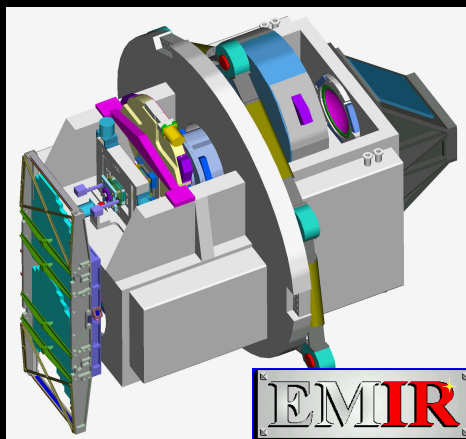
**Joint detection in H, K, SZ, and emission line --> probability of spurious detection is low!**

**Designing future surveys:**

**A matter of efficiency**

# A new generation of near-IR spectrographs

## An example: EMIR/ GTC



**EMIR/GOYA Survey  
(~2009):**

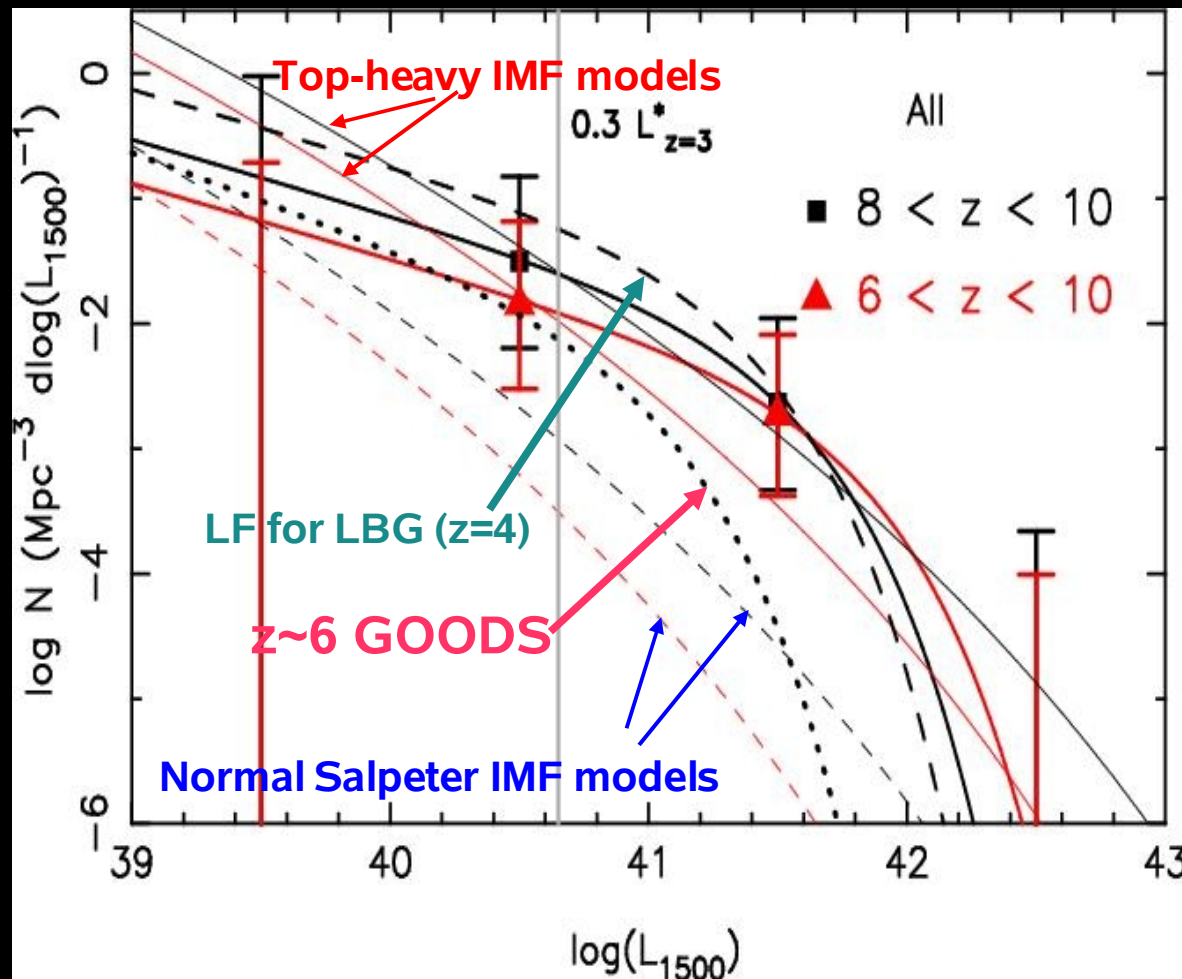
- Near-IR multi-object capabilities (~20 to 60 targets) in 10m class telescopes
- Large FOV (~4' to 6' wide)
- Optimal spectral resolution:  $R \sim 3000$  to 6000 (large sky-free wavelength coverage)
- “Deep” Spectroscopic follow up from the ground (JWST synergy).

**Other examples: MOIRCS/Subaru (in high-resolution mode) –  
Flamingos2/Gemini-S – KMOS/VLT 2<sup>nd</sup> generation**



# Lensing or Blank fields?

- Evaluation of lensing clusters efficiency to find  $z > 6$  galaxies with model expectations and simple assumptions. A lensing field introduces 2 opposite trends on the observed sample as compared to blank fields: 1) gravitational magnification and 2) reduction of the effective surface by the



- *A toy model to estimate the expected number counts:*

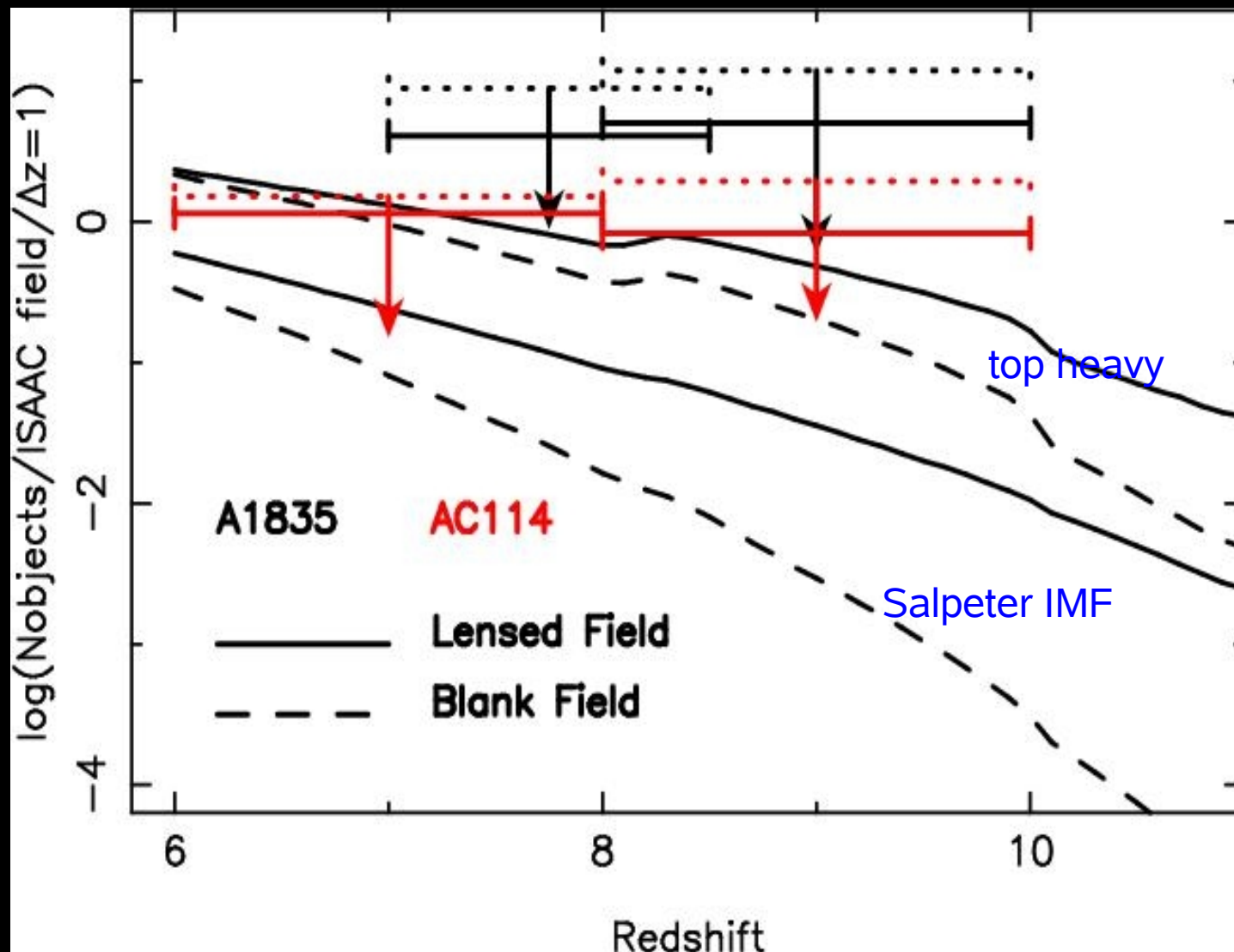
- Press-Schechter formalism (Press & Schechter 1974)
- 10% of the baryonic mass converted into stars between  $6 < z < 17$
- 2 extreme assumptions for the IMF: standard Salpeter & top-heavy IMF
- Visibility time estimated according to a “duty-cycle”:

$$t_* (1+z) / (t_H(z) - t_H(17))_z$$

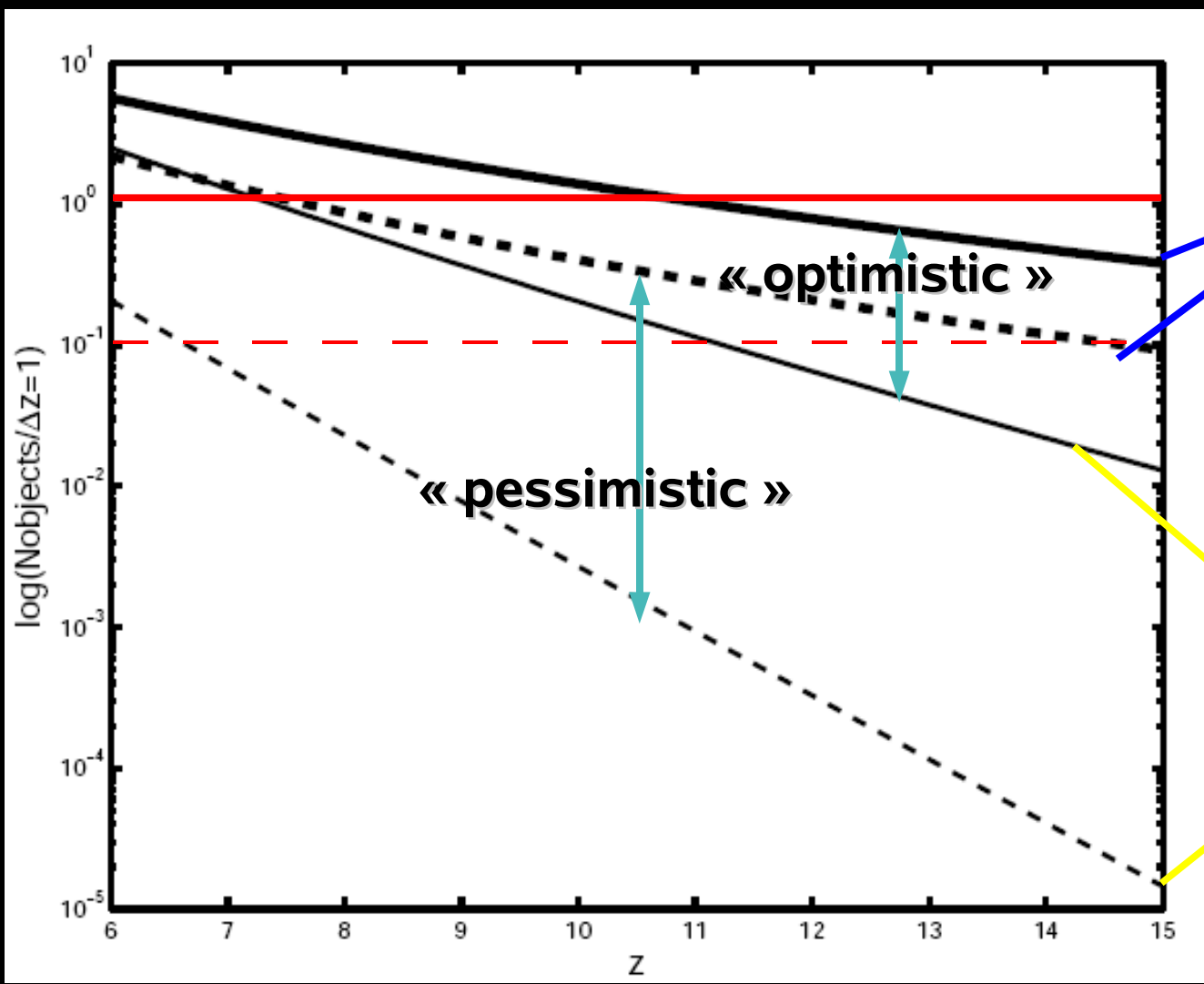
- Positive magnification bias is expected from this simple model:

$$N_{lensed}(> L) = N(> L) \times \mu^{\alpha-1} \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha = -d(\log n)/d(\log L)$$

(see e.g. Broadhurst et al. 95)



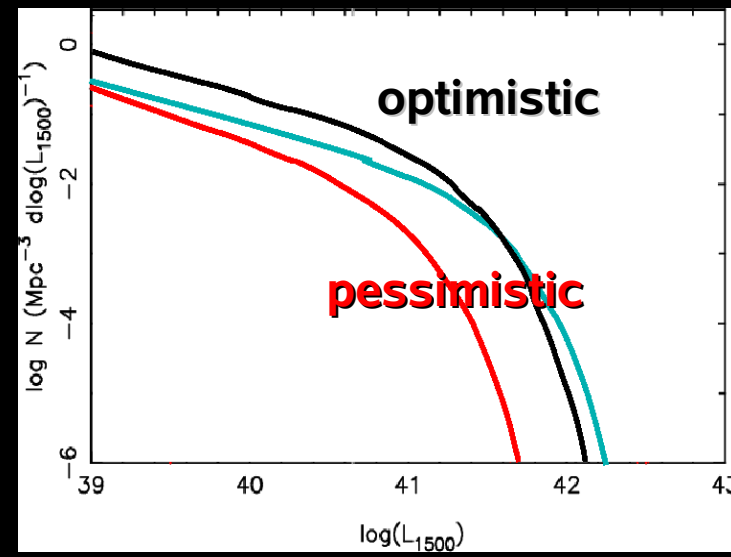
- Number of sources with  $H(\text{Vega}) < 24$ , within a redshift bin  $dz=1$ .
- Pixel-to-pixel integration of magnification maps, with the same lensing models and bright-objects masking.
- Lensing clusters are expected to be a factor of 5-10 more efficient than blank fields in the  $7 < z < 11$  domain

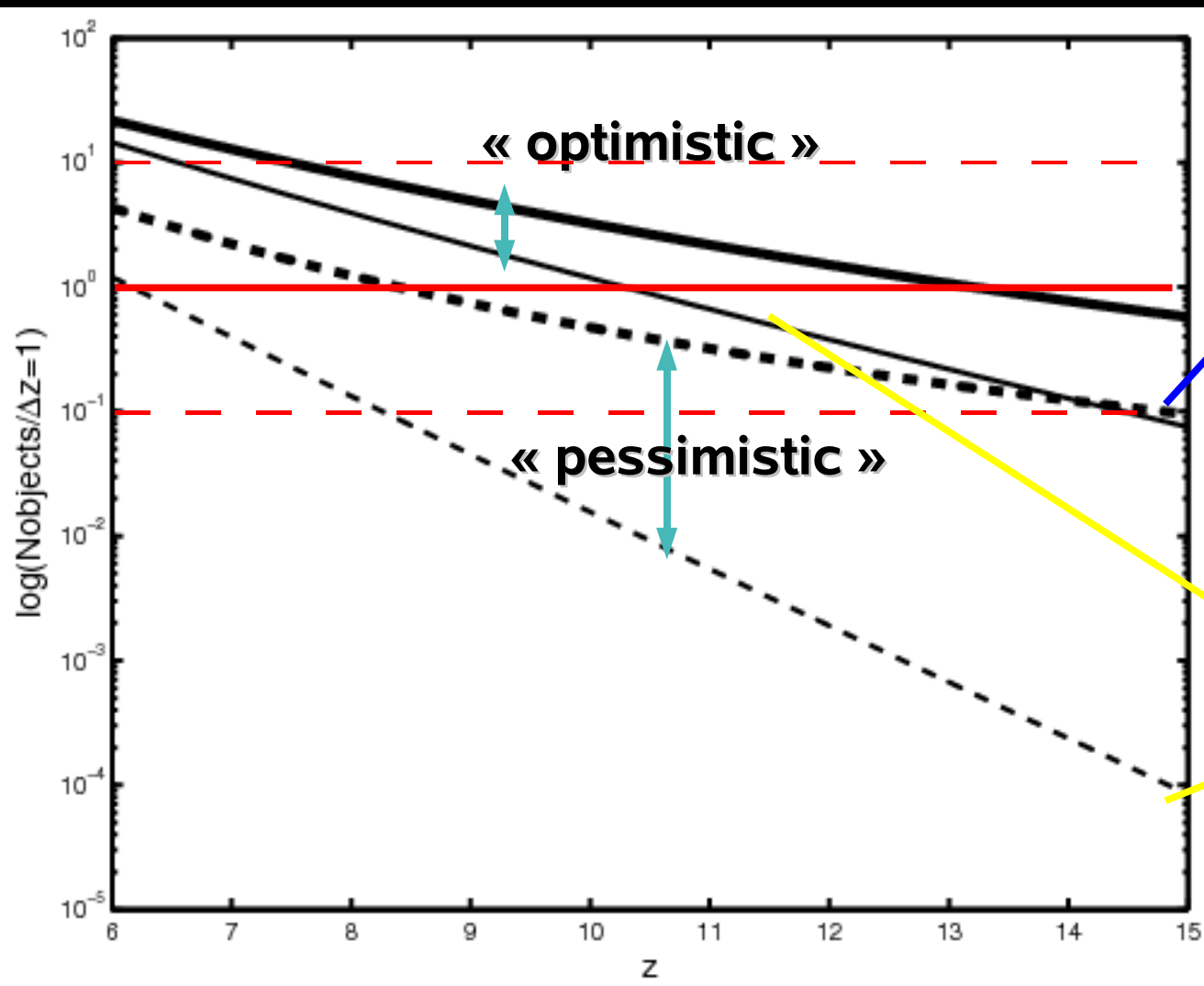


Lensing field  
(A1835 model)

Blank field

« BRIGHT » SPECTROSCOPIC SAMPLE  
 $H(AB) < \sim 25.5$  in a  $2.5' \times 2.5'$  FOV

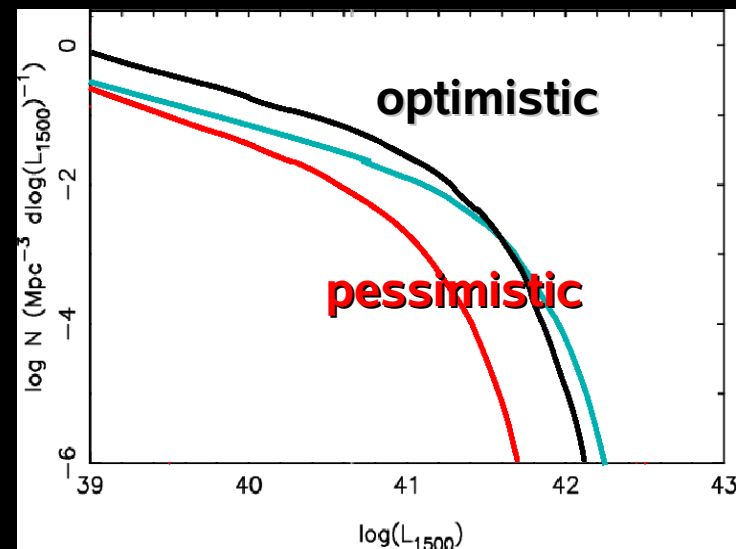




Lensing field  
(A1835 model)

Blank field

**« BRIGHT » SPECTROSCOPIC SAMPLE**  
 $H(AB) < \sim 25.5$  in a  $6' \times 6'$  FOV

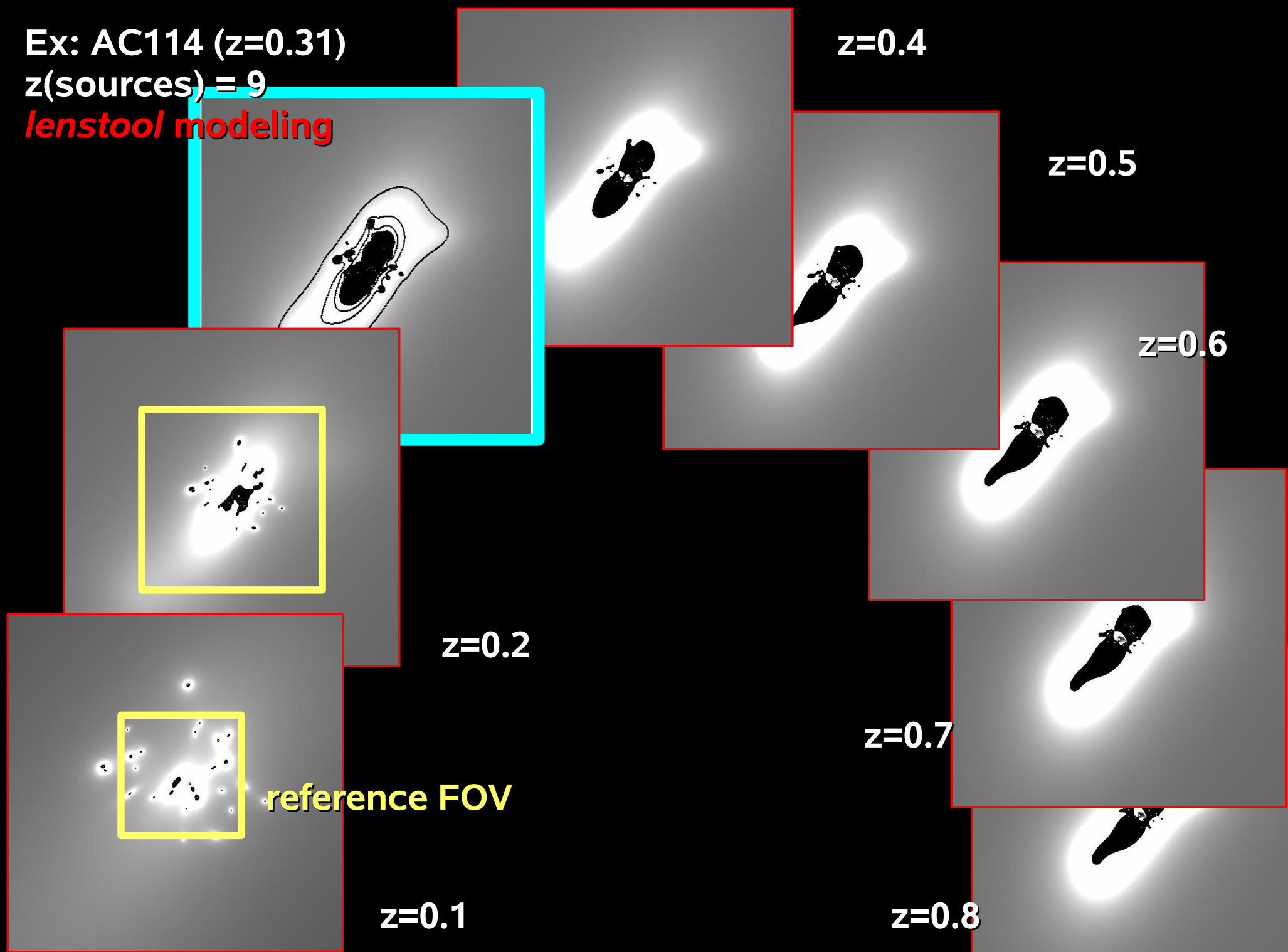


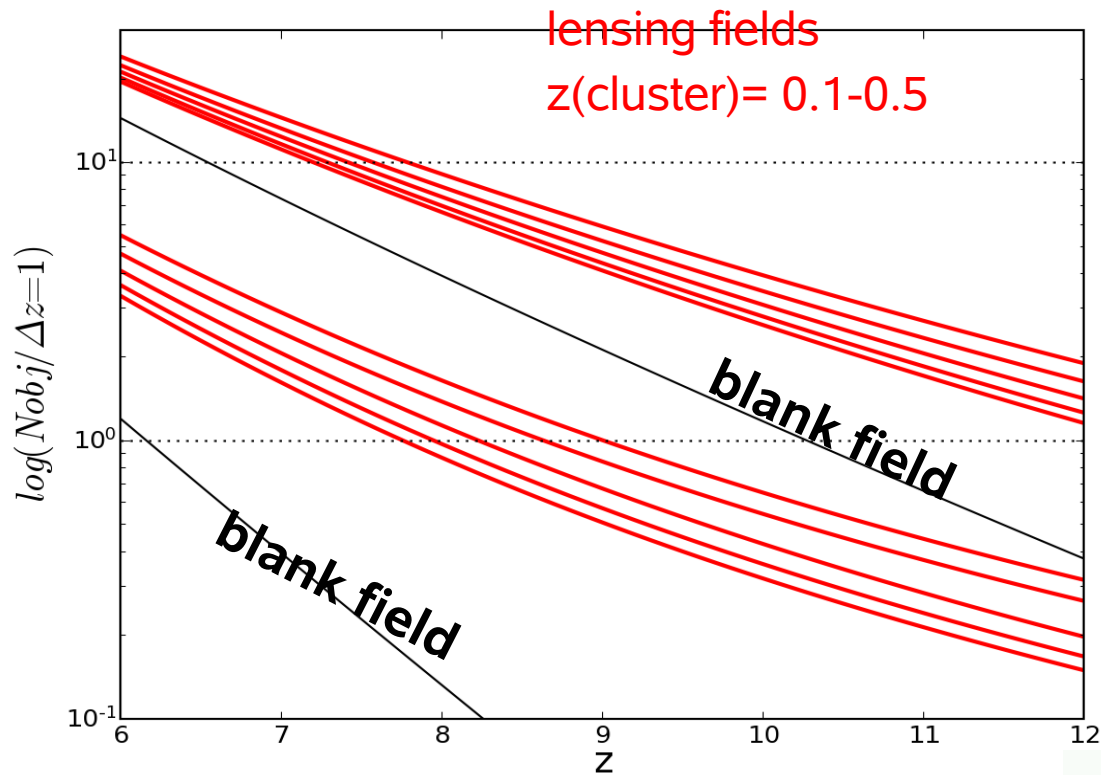


Ex: AC114 ( $z=0.31$ )

$z(\text{sources}) \equiv 9$

*lenstool* modeling





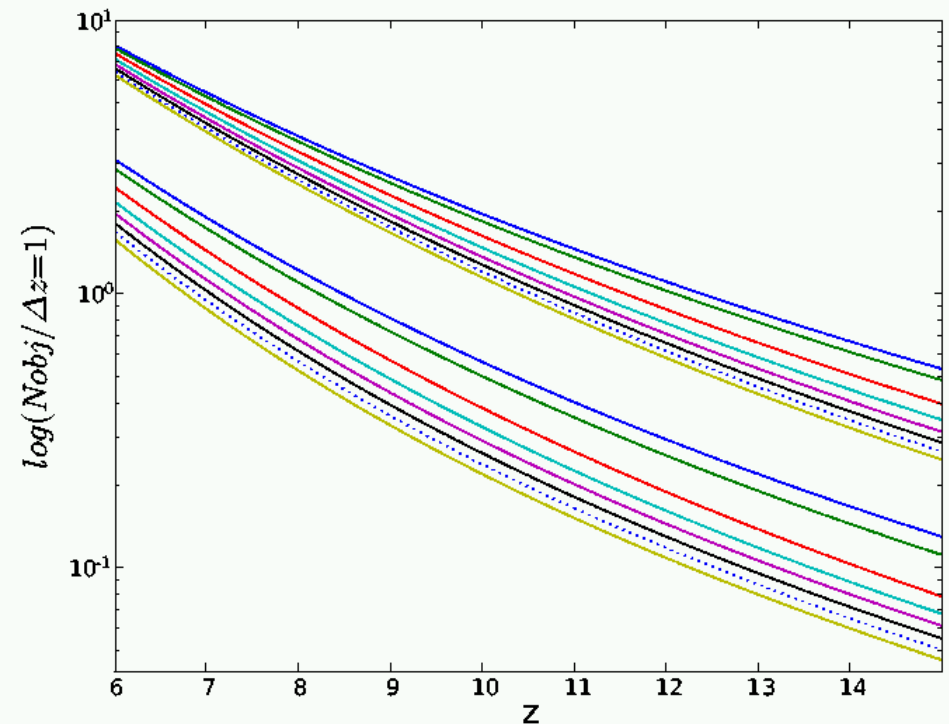
- $H(AB) < 25.5$
- EMIR 6' x 6' FOV
- Reference: A1835
- Extrapolation of L(1500) Observed LF for photometric  $z \sim > 6$  candidates

- $H(AB) < 25.5$
- 3' x 3' FOV

*Up to a factor ~2 difference in number counts between different cluster models (e.g. A1689 vs AC114)*

z(cluster)= 0.1

- 0.2
- 0.3
- 0.4
- 0.5
- 0.6
- 0.7
- 0.8



# Summary/Conclusions

**1.** First  $6 < z < 10$  results consistent with a  $\sim$ constant SFR density up to  $z \sim 10$ . The turnover towards the bright end of the LF is not observed.

However:

--> *strong field-to-field variance*

--> *large corrections have been applied to a relatively small sample*

--> *contamination (with respect to blank fields) cannot be excluded*

**==> spectroscopic/photometric confirmation is needed**

**2.** **Gravitational lensing clusters** seem more **efficient** than blank fields to explore the  **$z \sim 6-7$  to 12** domain (same photometric depth and FOV). Positive magnification bias expected from simulations (+ our first results from pilot program).

--> *potential problems: mid-z interlopers, strong field-to-field variance*

➤ Spectroscopic follow up **optimized in lensing fields** with the new generation of **near-IR multi-object spectrographs** (FOV, multiplexing and spectral resolution)

➤ Large field-to-field variance in the strong magnification regime and towards the bright end of the LF **==> Wide Field Surveys needed**.<sup>36</sup>

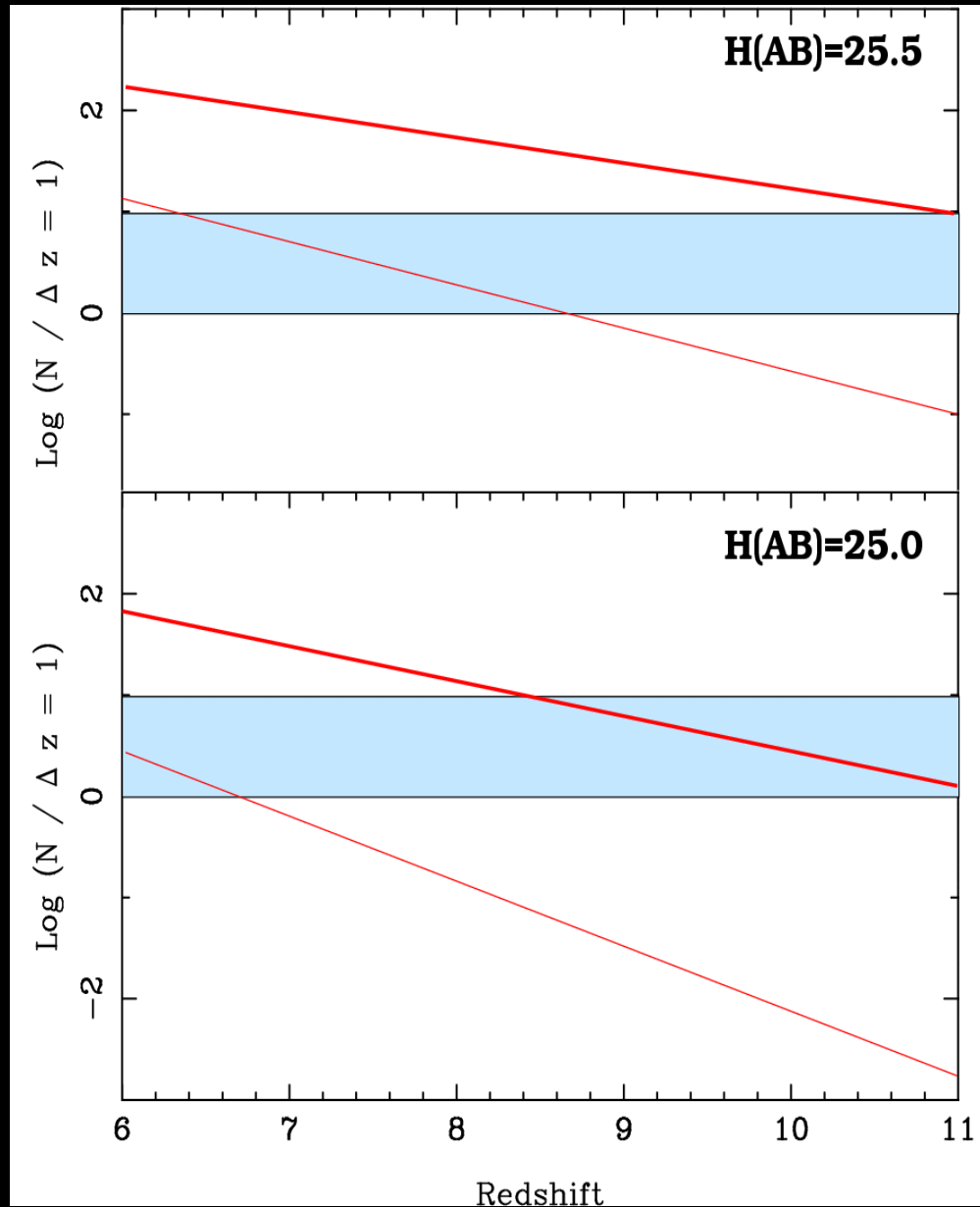
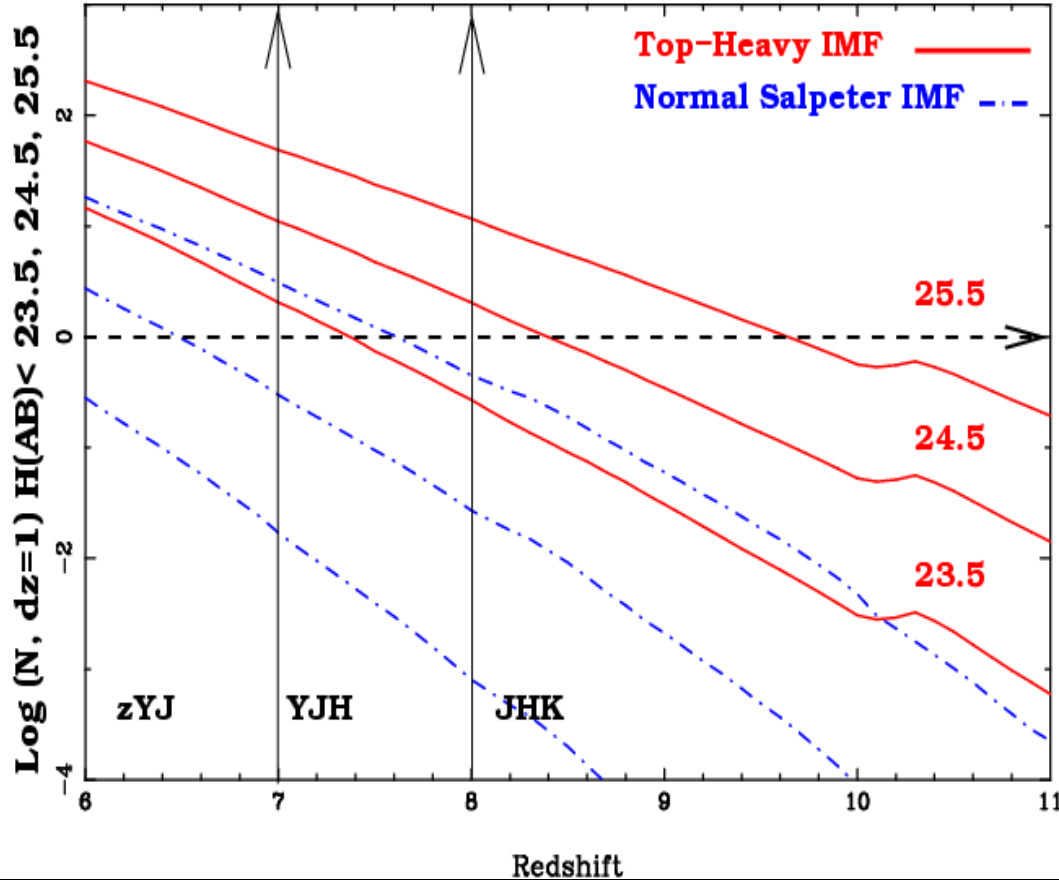




**Thanks!**

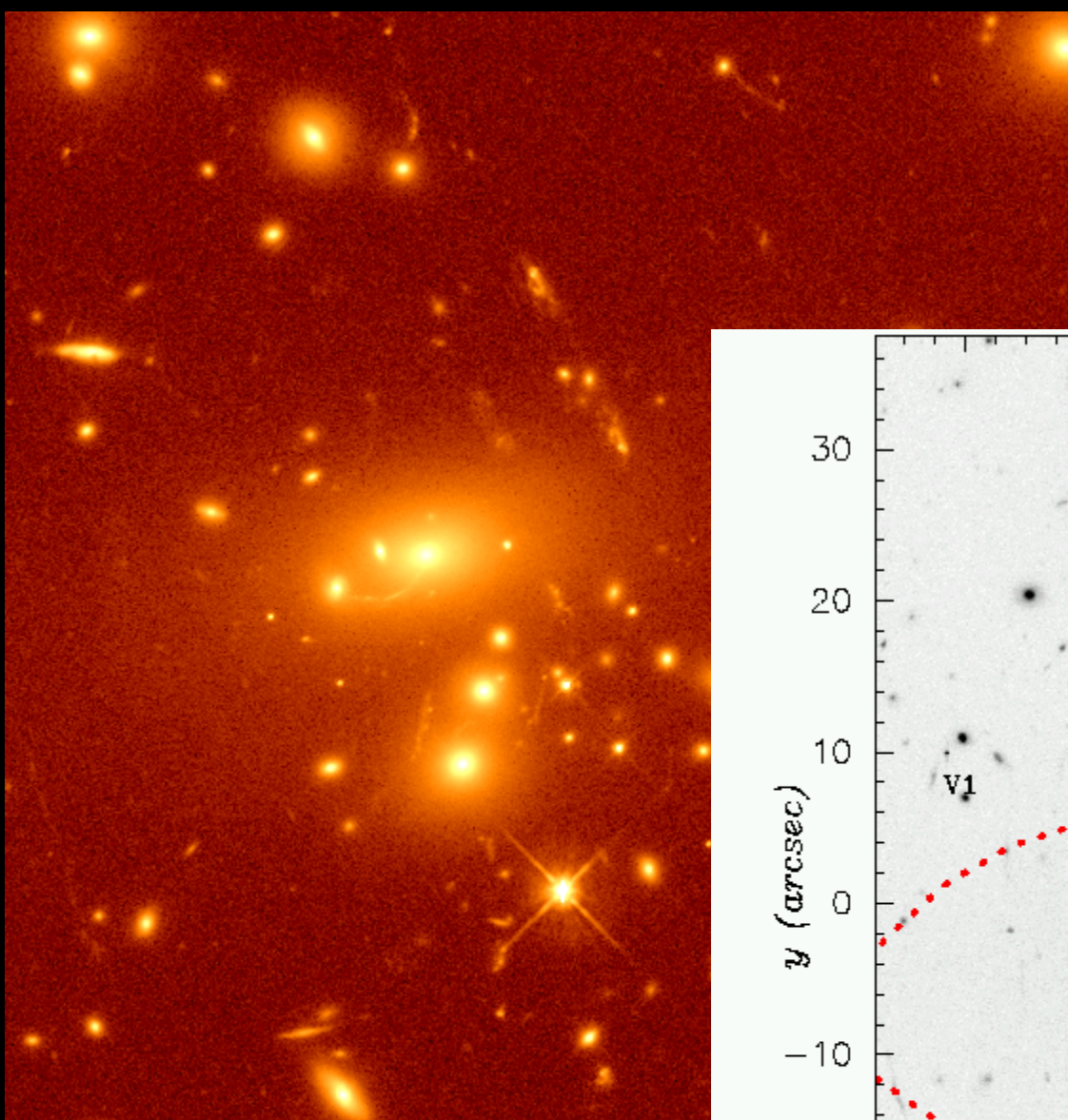
# Constraining the bright end of the LF

Number counts 20' x 20' WIRCAM field

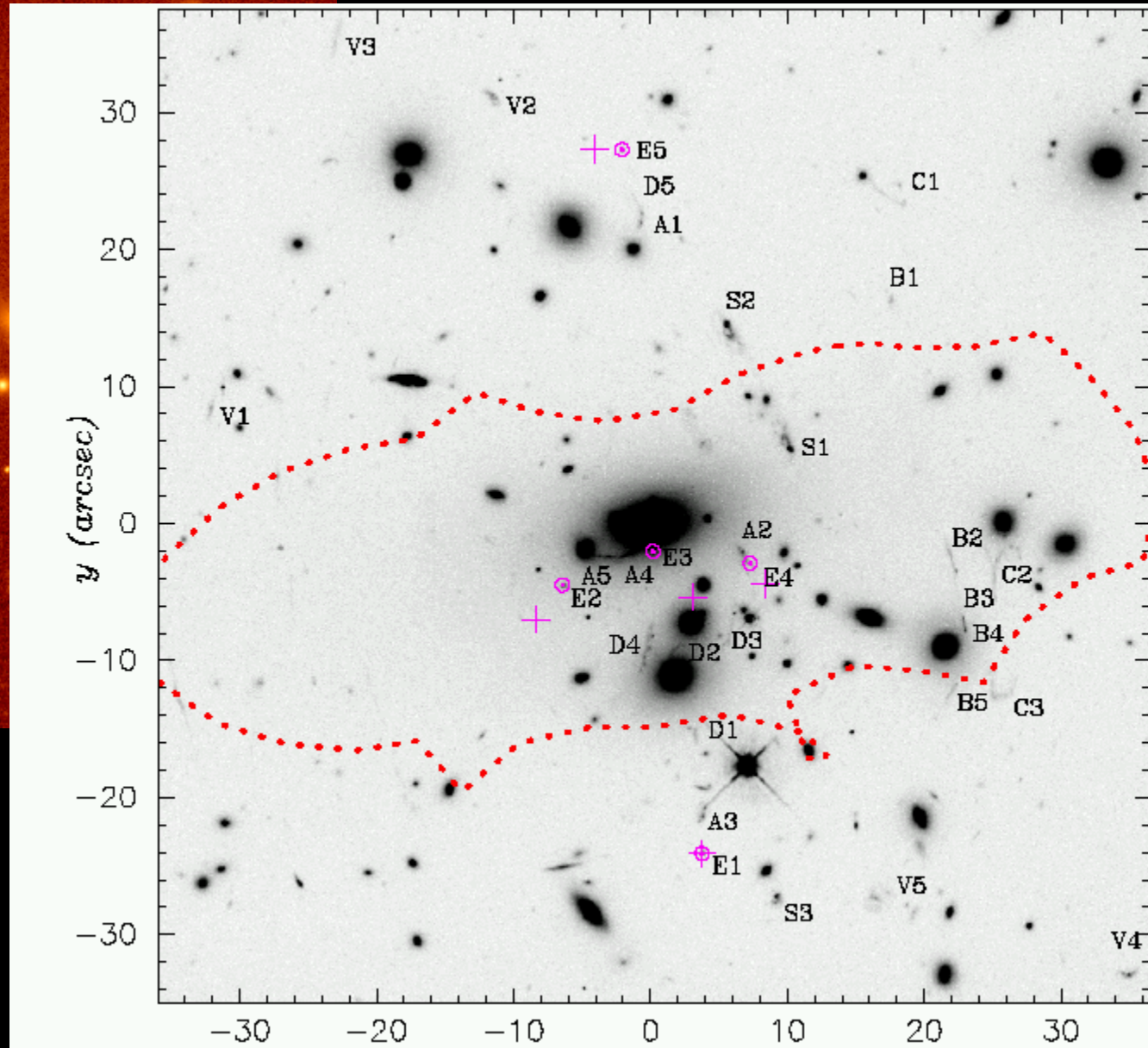


- Number counts within  $dz=1$ , for different depth in the H-band.
  - FOV similar to CFHT/ WIRCAM
- Constraining the bright end of the LF at  $z > \sim 7$  with a « reasonable » exposure time... (WIRCAM/ WUDS, UKIDSS, ...)

Multiple arcs systems with  $z \sim 1$  to 4:  
Smail et al. 95; Natarajan et al. 1998;  
Campusano et al. 01; Lemoine-  
Busserolle et al. 03



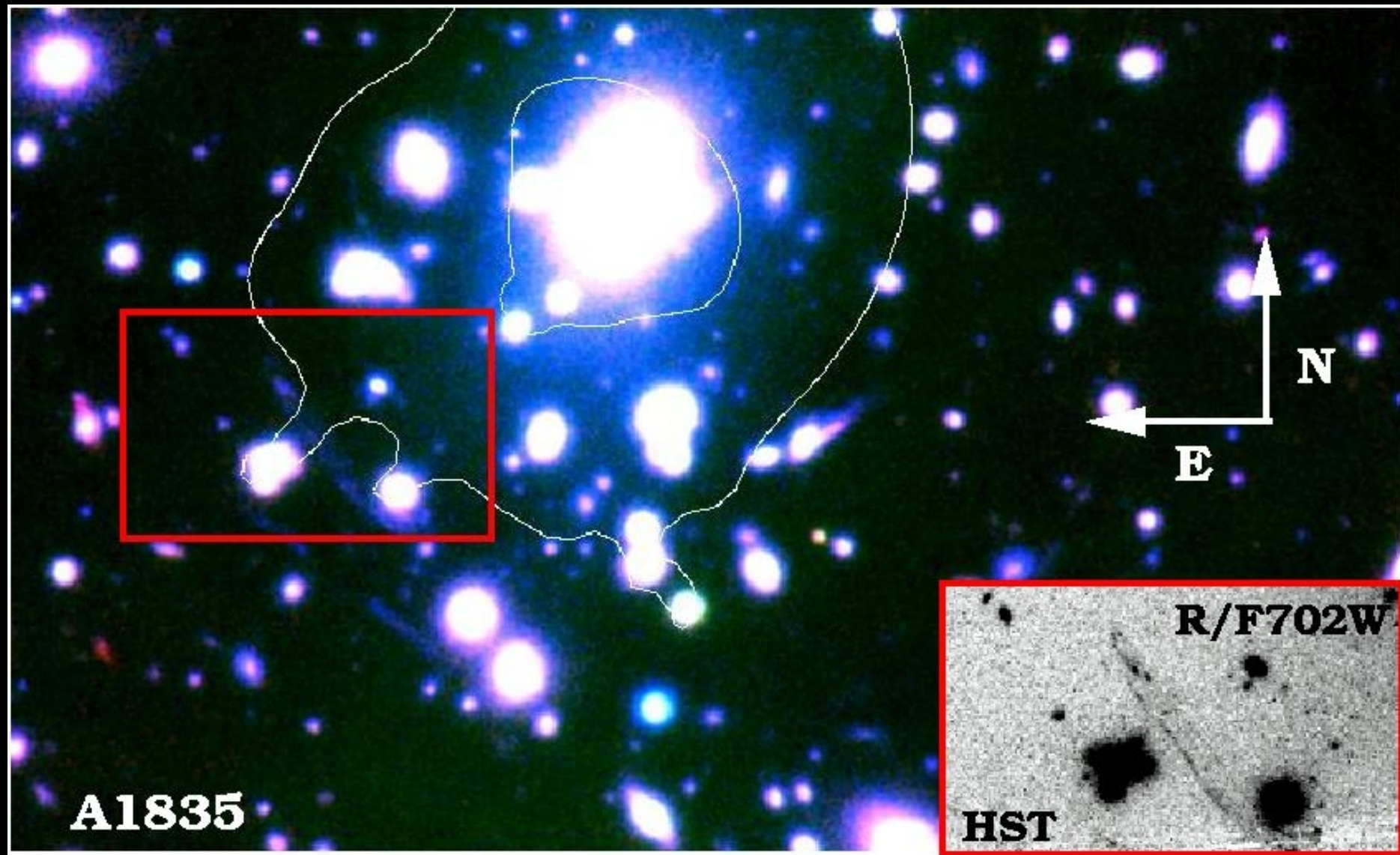
AC114 ( $z=0.312$ )





## A1835 ( $z=0.252$ ):

- The most luminous X-ray cluster in the ROSAT Bright Cluster Survey (Ebeling et al. 98).
- Spectroscopic survey (Czoske et al. 04):  $R < 23$ , VIMOS,  $\sigma = 1500$  km/s ( $\sim 600$  gal.)
- Strong lensing (Smail et al. 99; mass model: J.P. Kneib)
- Weak shear analysis (Limousin et al., in preparation)



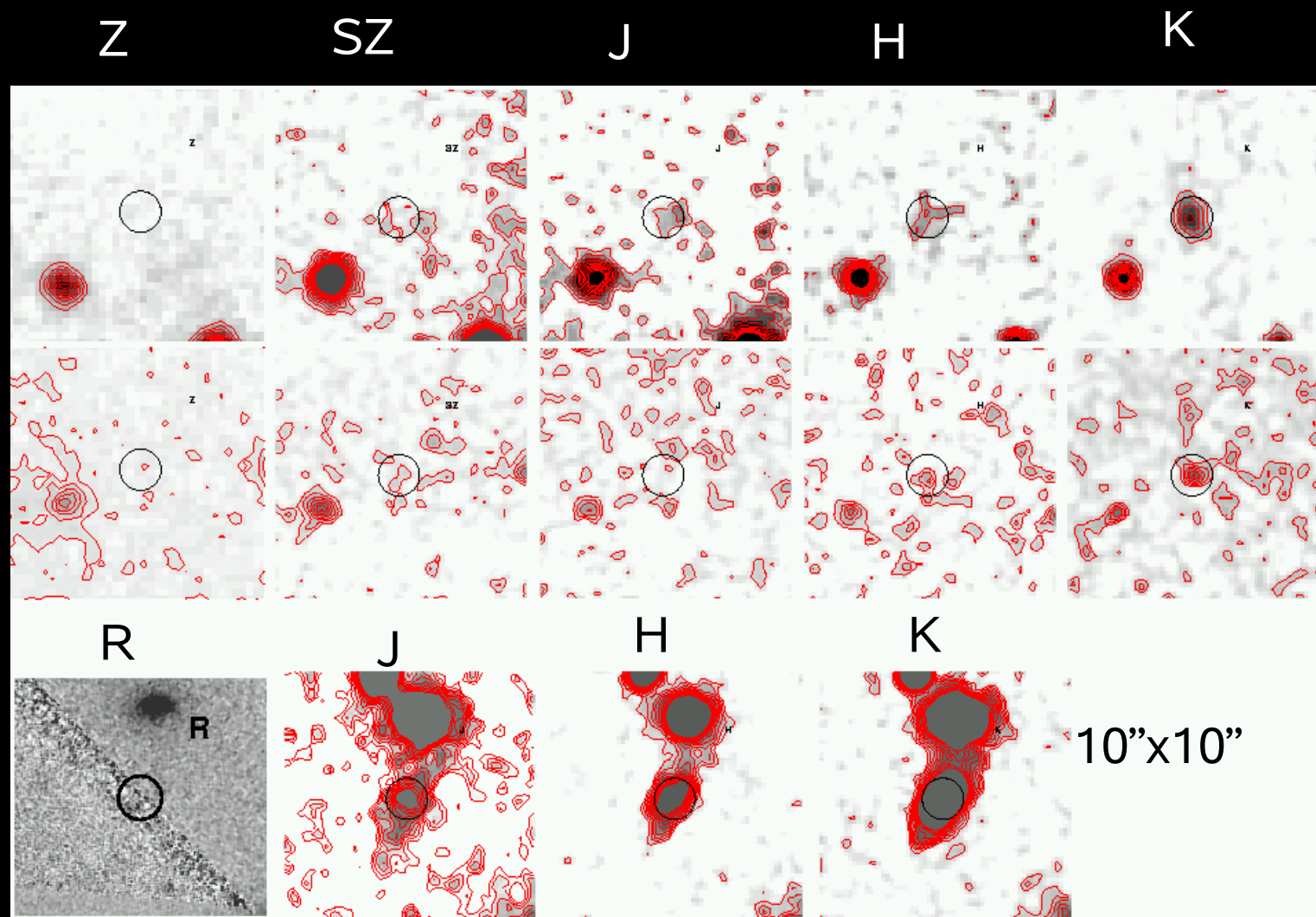
**A1835-#2**

**J5/SCUBA-selected  
galaxy  
SMMJ14009+0252  
(Ivison et al. 2000,  
Smail et al. 2002)**

**A1835-#17**

**+A1835-#35:  
spectroscopic  
determination  
(Richard et al.  
03)**

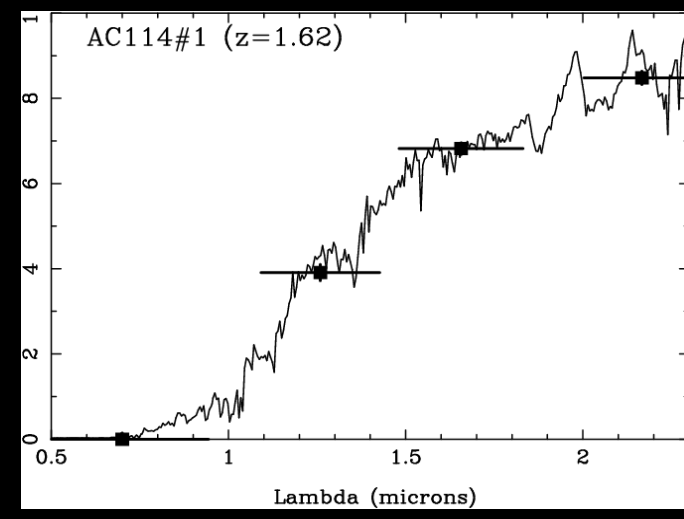
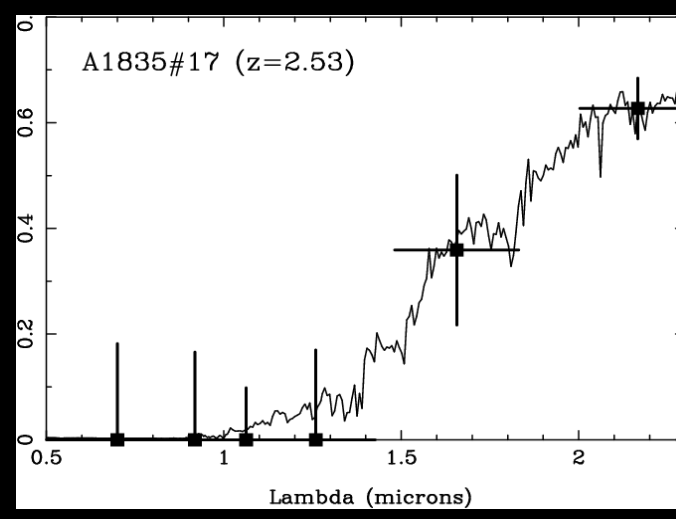
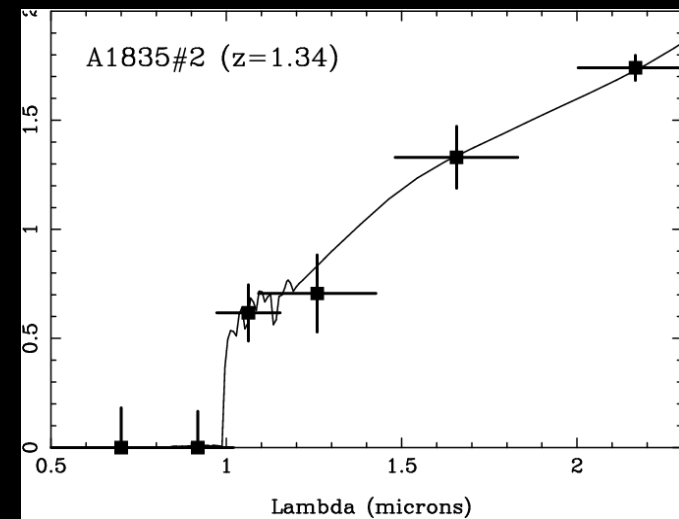
**AC114-#1**



A1835#2 ( $z=1.34$ )

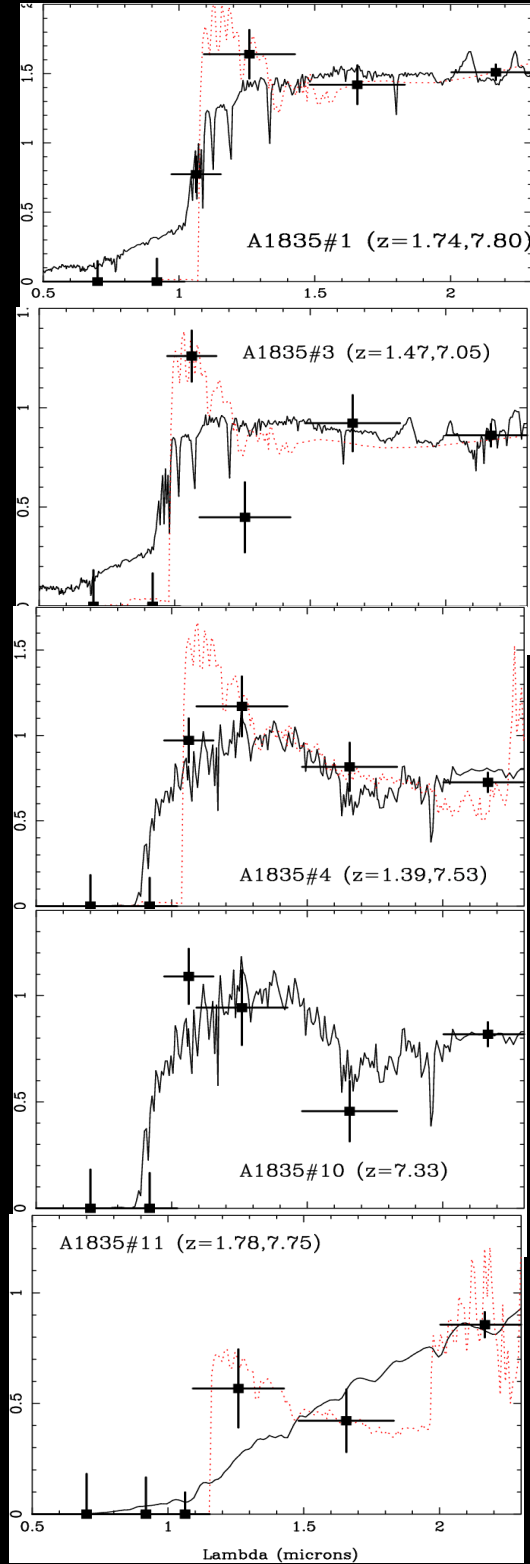
A1835#17 ( $z=2.53$ )

AC114#1 ( $z=1.62$ )





# EROs & ambiguous SEDs



**A1835**

**0.5 mags  
variability in  
SZ band**

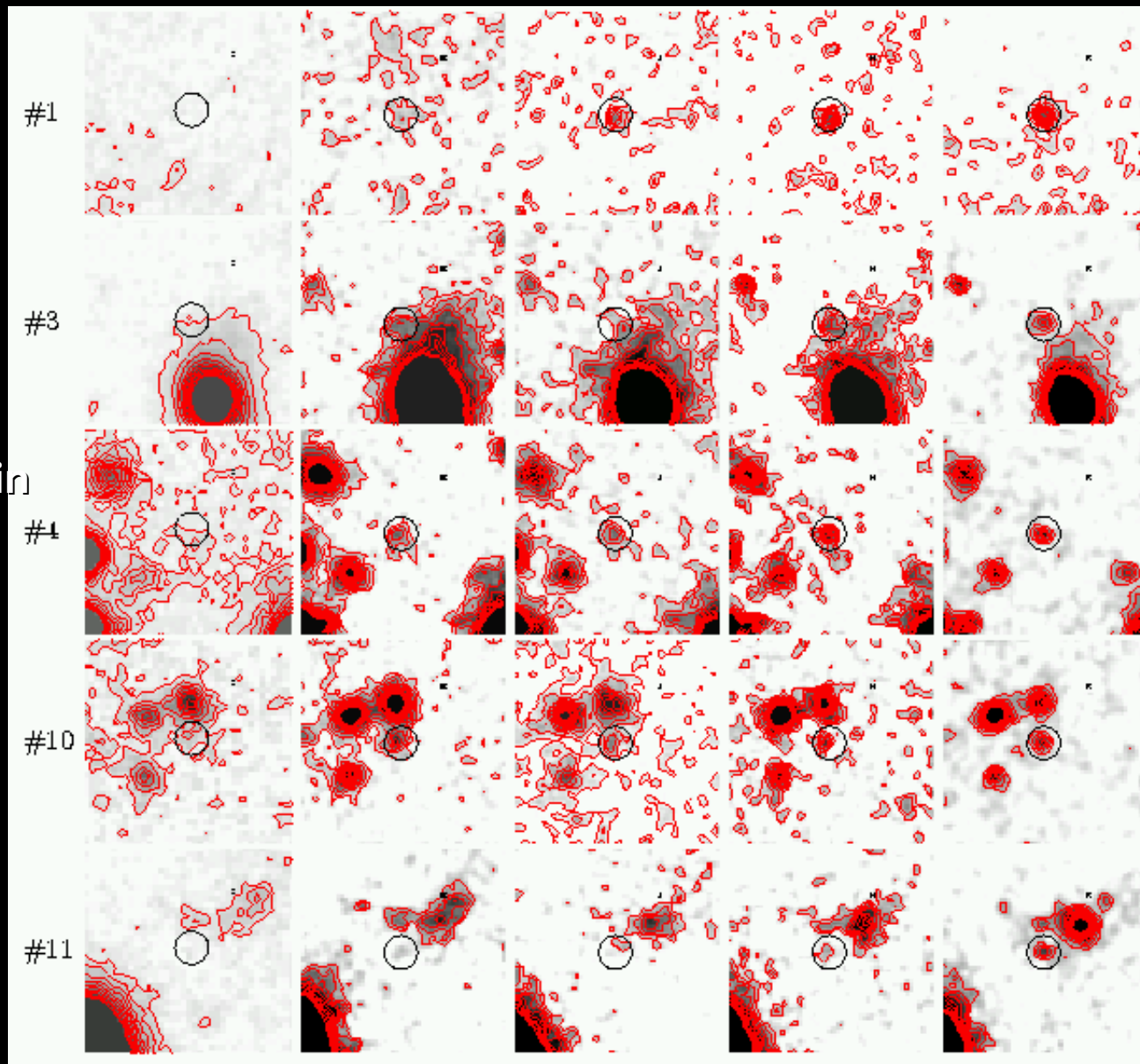
**z**

**SZ**

**J**

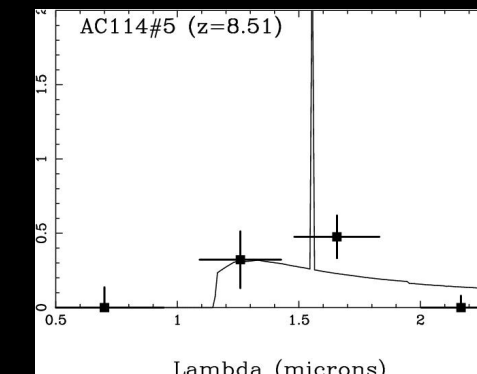
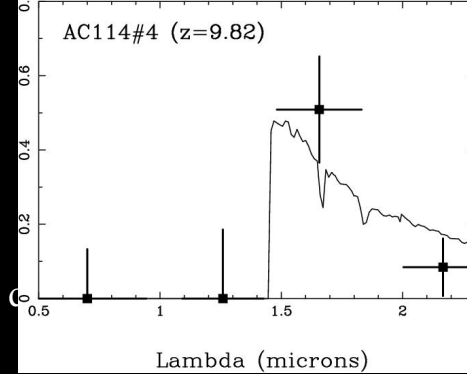
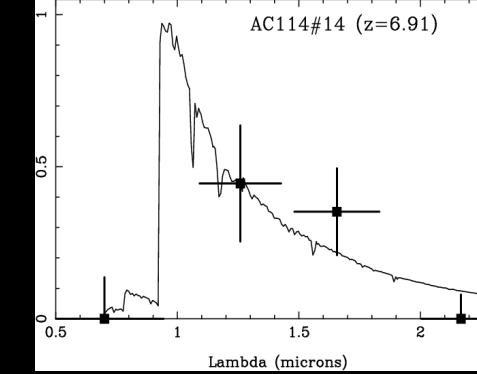
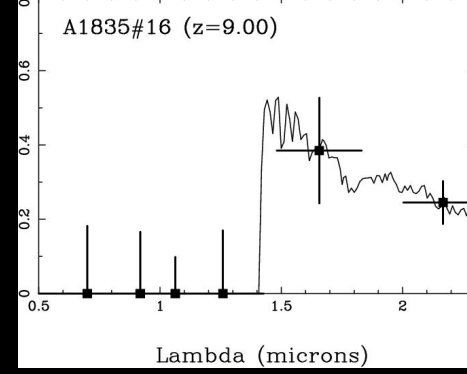
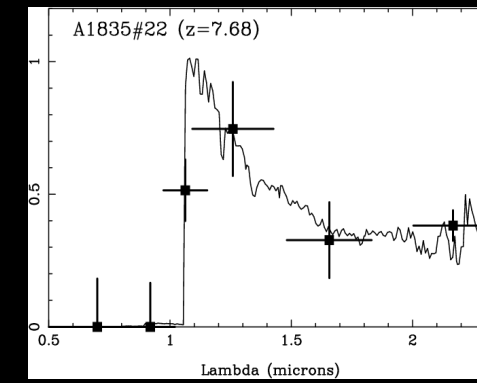
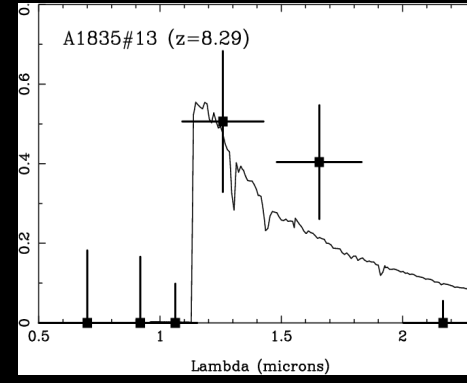
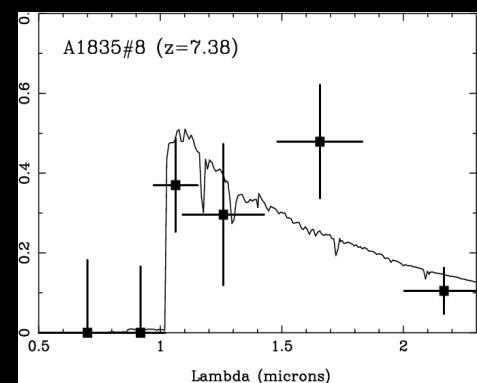
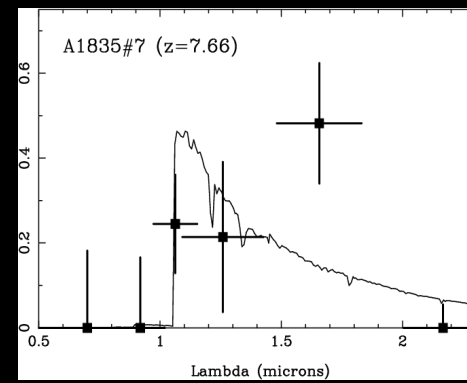
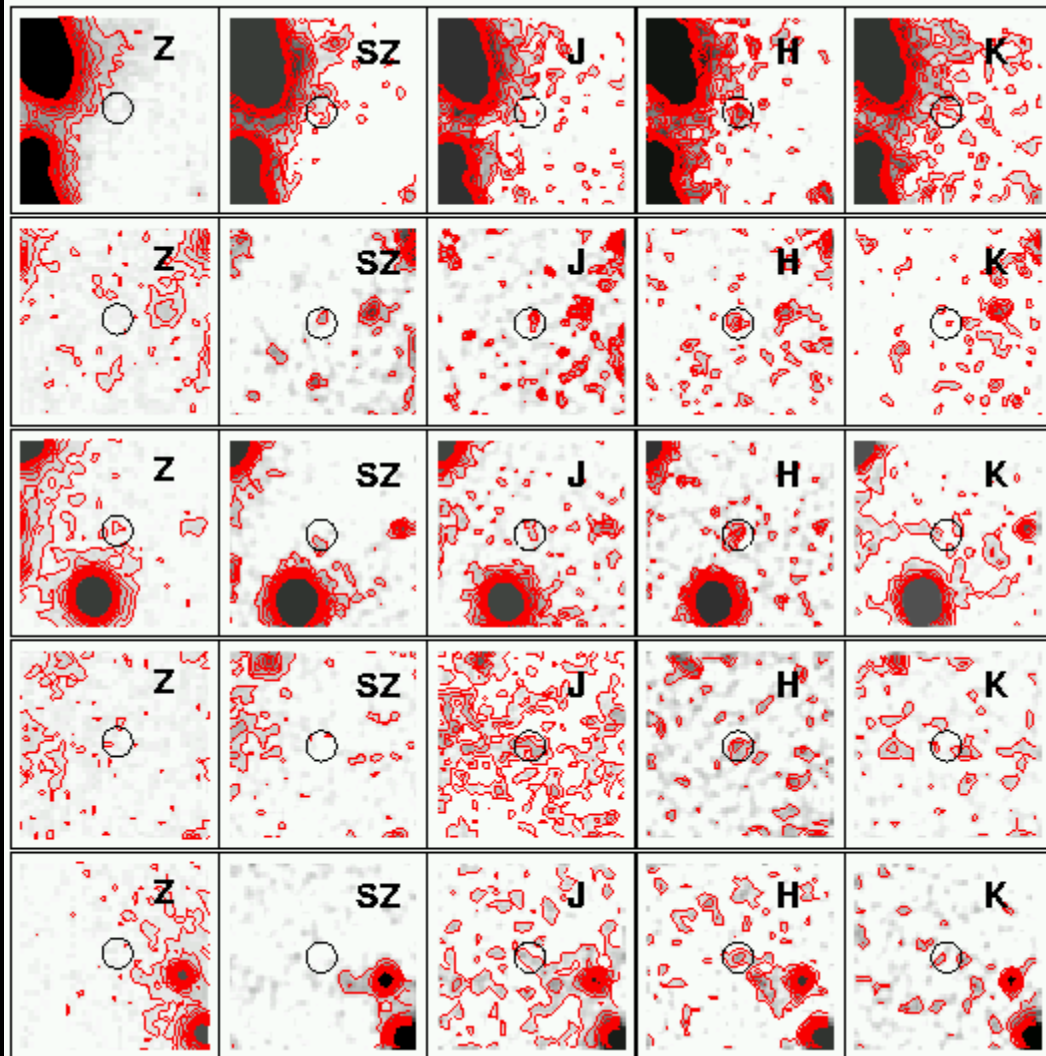
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# Some examples in A1835:

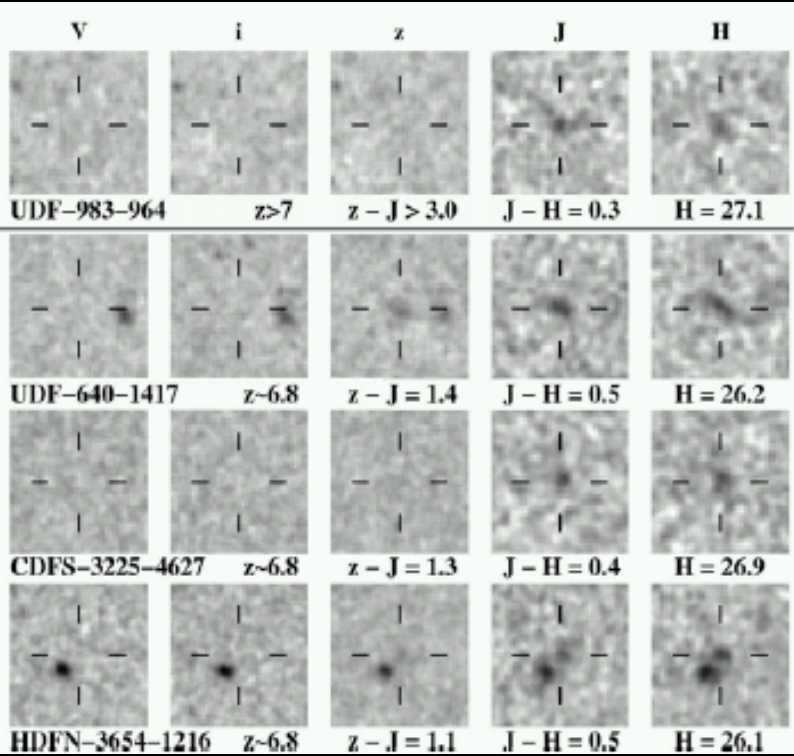
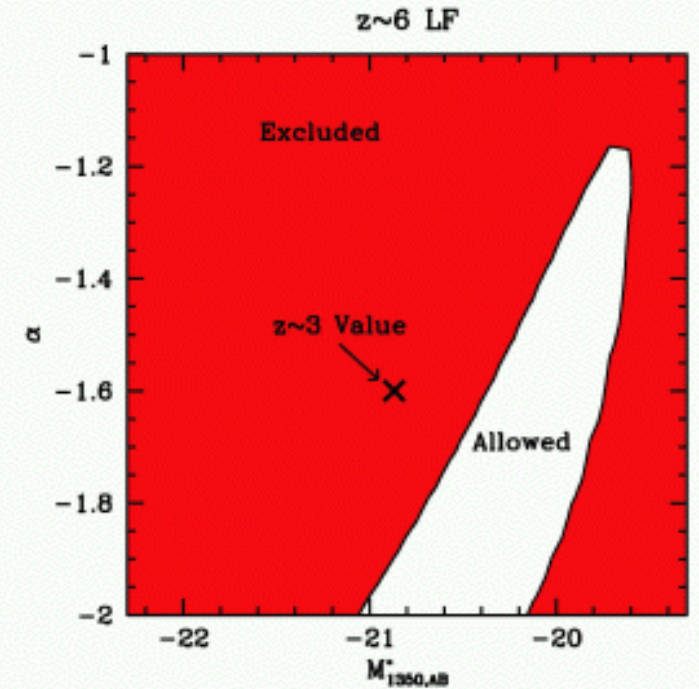
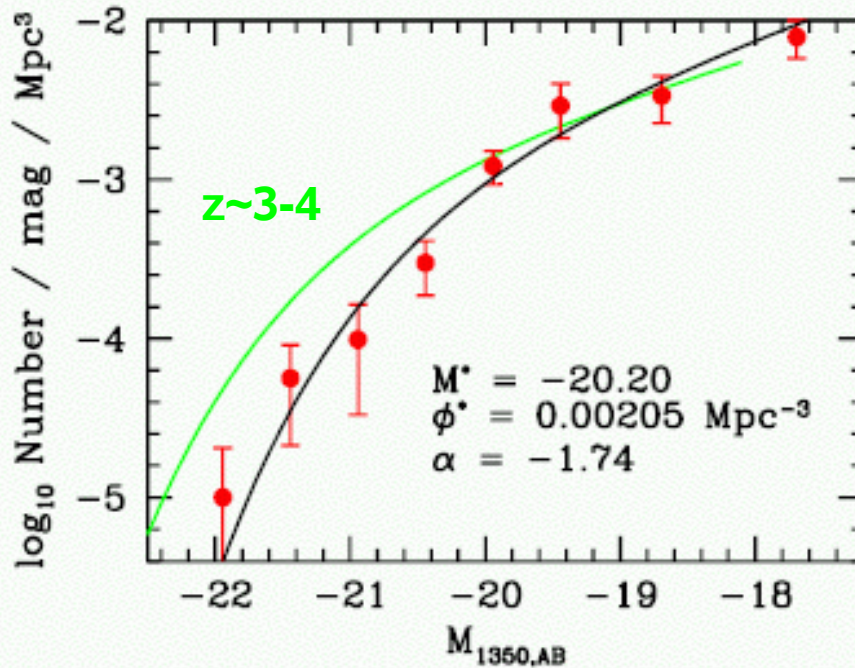


## Examples of SEDs for faint sources in A1835 & AC114

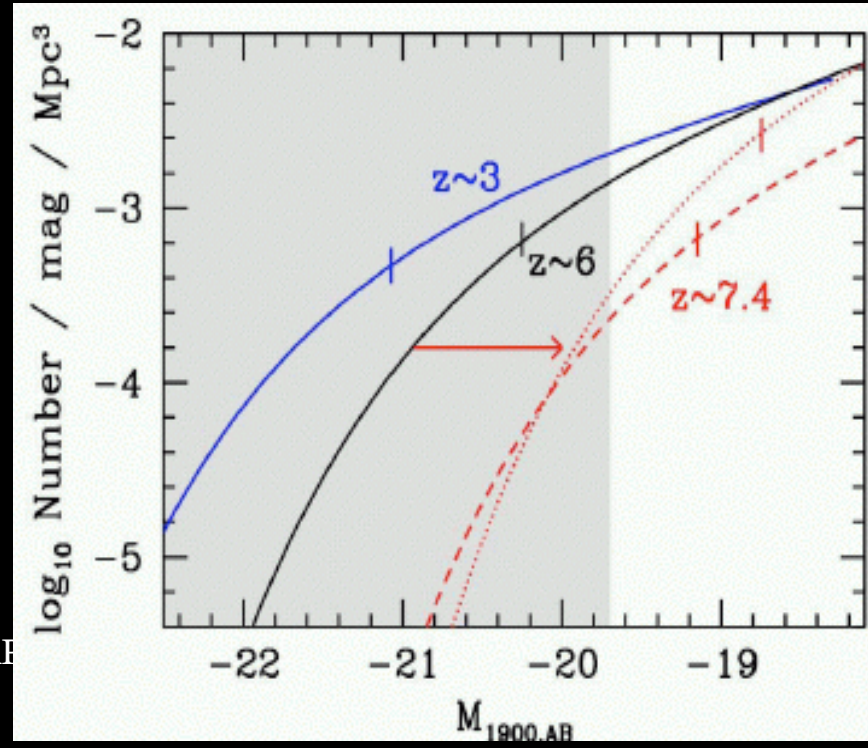
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From Bouwens et al. 05:  
 ~500 i-band dropouts  
 (GOODS) z~6  
 photometric candidates

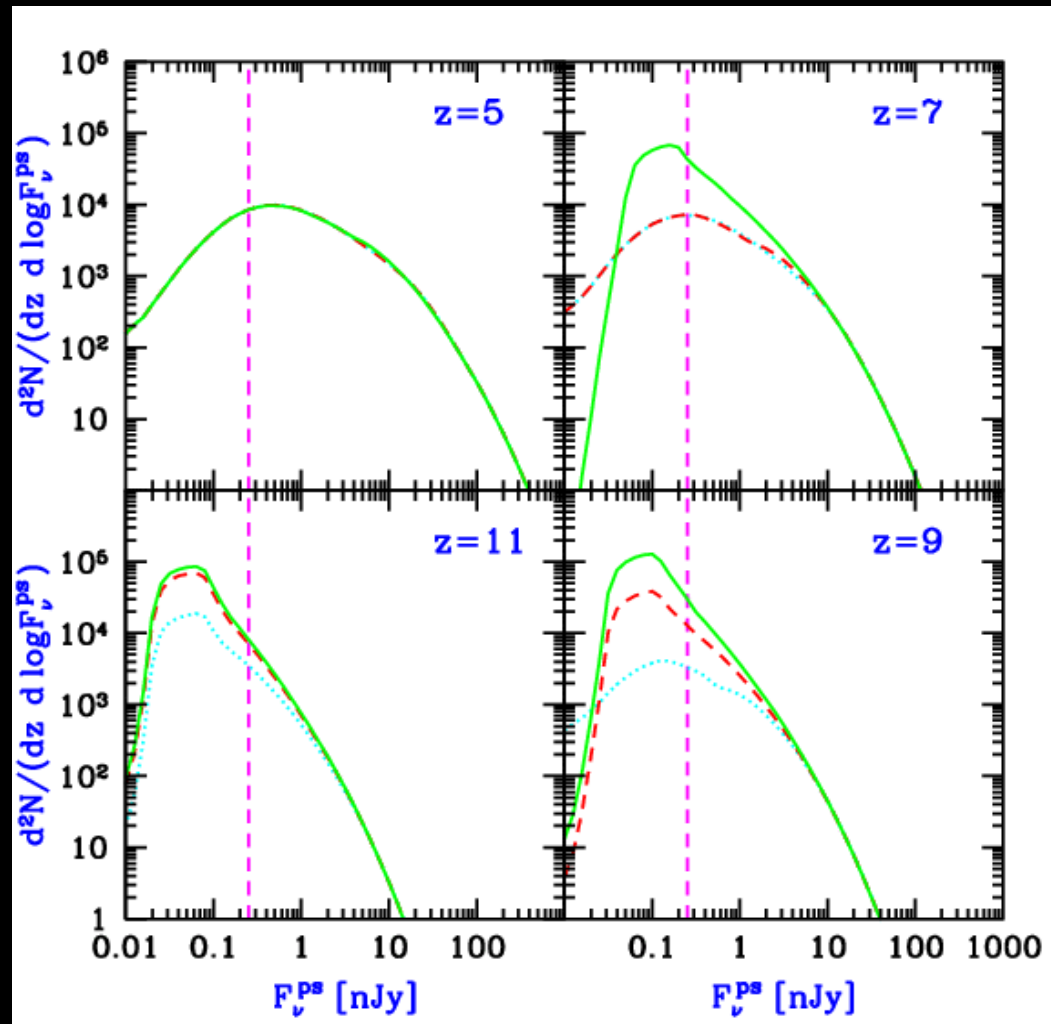
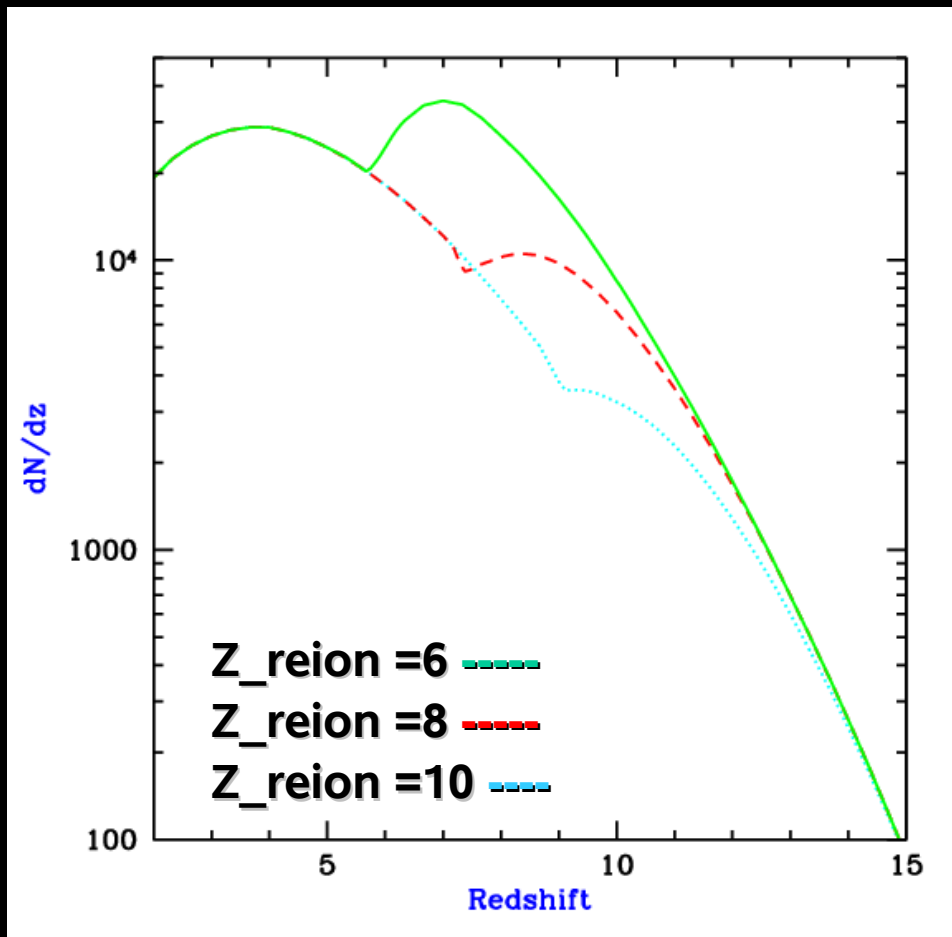


From Bouwens et al. 05:  
 ~500 photometric candidates  
 at z>~7  
 see also Bouwens & Illingworth 06)





# Theoretical models: Abundance of star-forming galaxies



*Redshift distribution of sources observed on 1deg2, up to the limits of JWST (0.25 nJy) (Barkana & Loeb 2011)*

*Luminosity Functions*