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# The First Galaxies

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(advanced textbook, ~ 500 pages, to appear in 2012)

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Though astrophysicists have developed a theoretical framework for understanding how the first stars and galaxies formed, only now are we able to begin testing those theories with actual observations of the very distant, early universe. We are entering a new and exciting era of discovery that will advance the frontiers of knowledge, and this book couldn't be more timely. It covers all the basic concepts in cosmology, drawing on insights from an astronomer who has pioneered much of this research over the past two decades.

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"This is an extremely good book. Loeb guides readers through the early, formative history of the universe. He does not shy away from key calculations, but always tries to make things as simple as possible. His style is truly engaging, with a constant eye on the big picture. It makes for a thrilling read. Indeed, I found it difficult to put down."

—**Volker Bromm**, University of Texas, Austin

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How Did the First Stars and Galaxies Form?

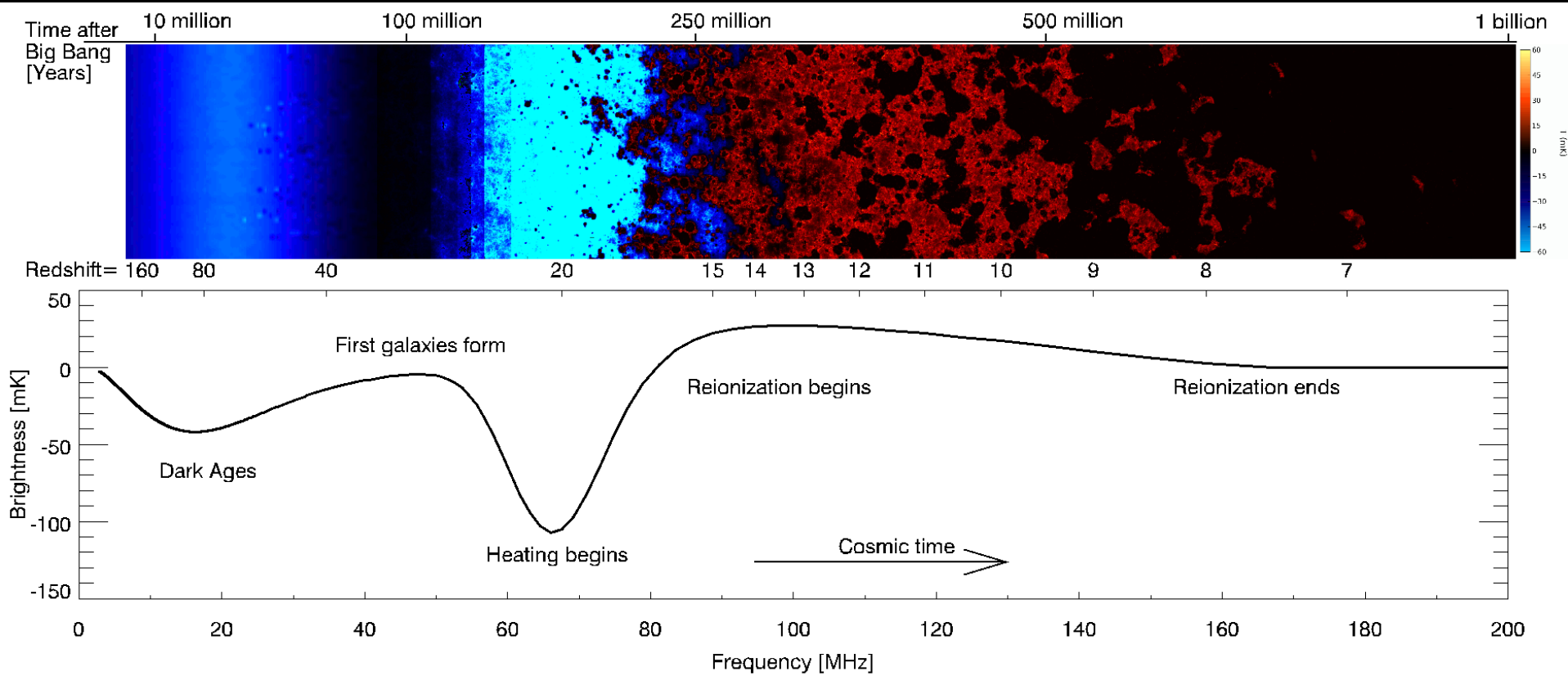


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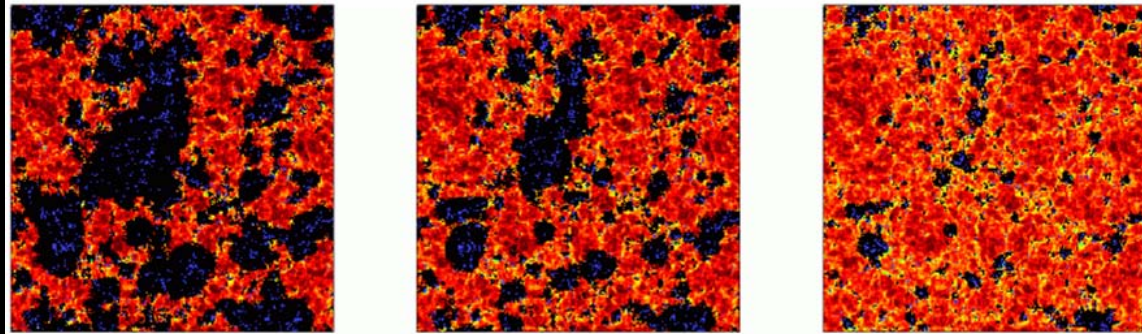


*Pritchard & Loeb, Nature (2010)*



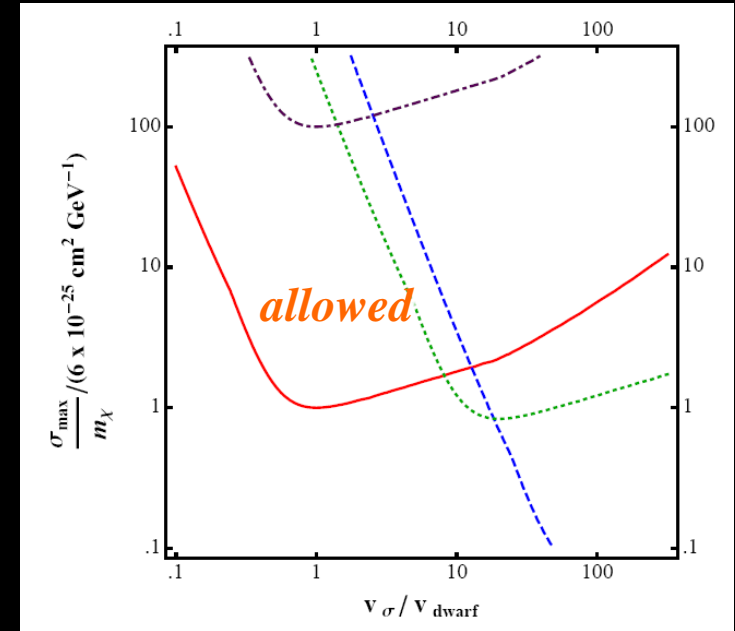
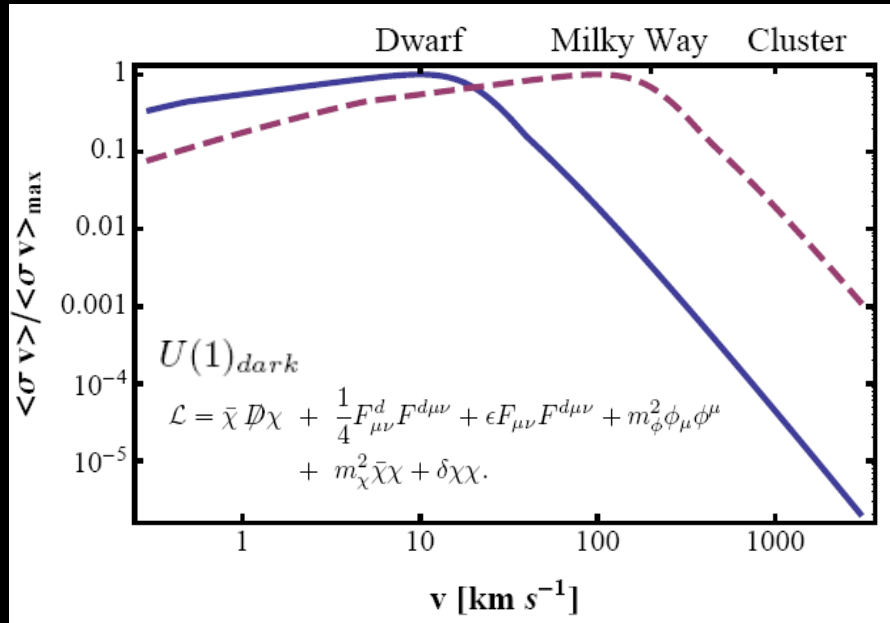
# How Did the First Stars and Black Holes Form?

- \* *Standard model of physics and cosmology*
- \* *Initial conditions from inflation*
- \* *Weakly-interacting Cold Dark Matter*



*Surprises may signal new physics*

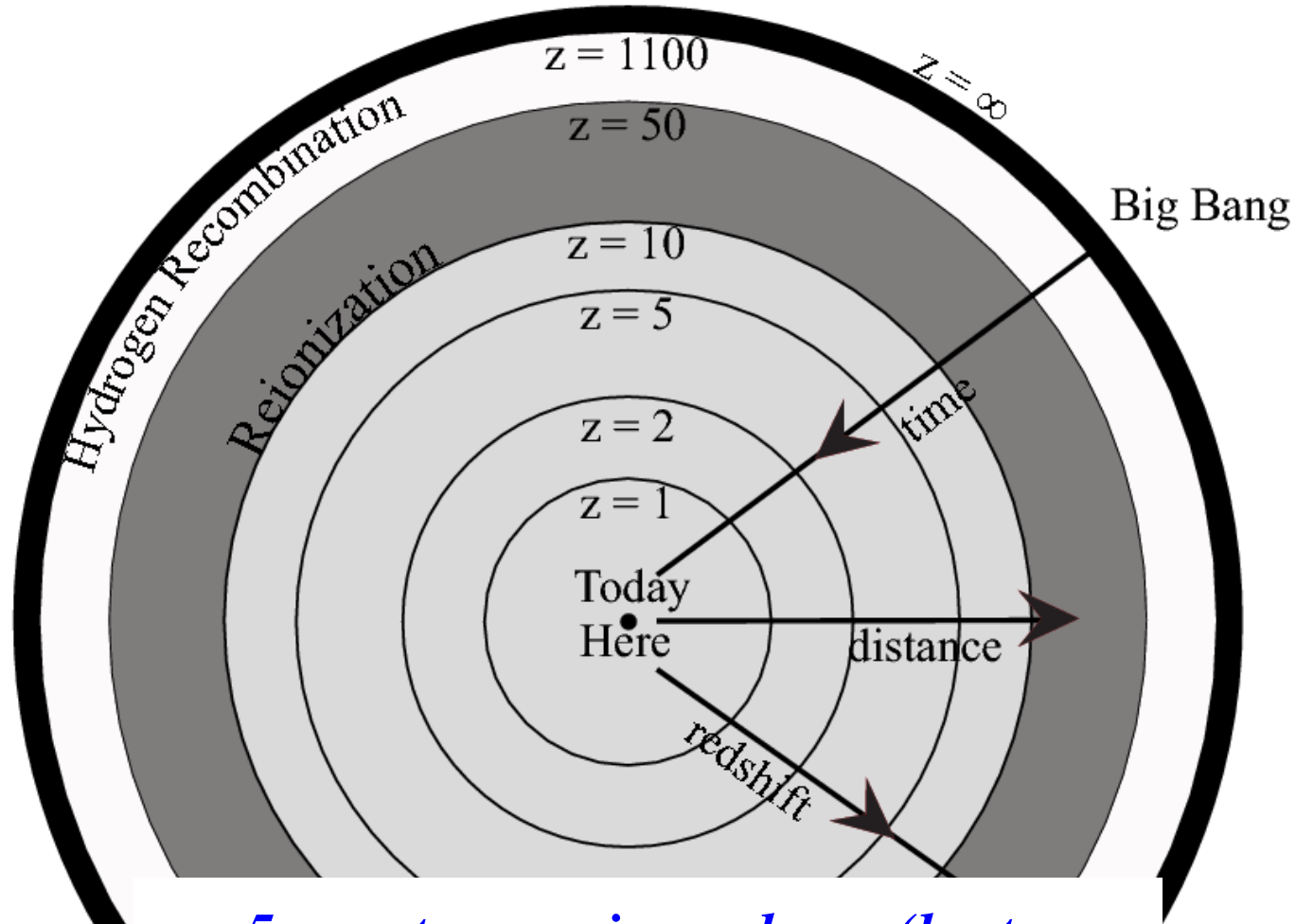
# Example of New Physics (“venture capital”)



- Strong scattering of dark matter particles ( $\sim$ Thomson cross-section/proton mass) mediated by a massive gauge-boson
- Excited states: exothermic
- Cores in dwarf galaxies; evaporation of low-mass halos (missing satellite problem, old globular clusters).

*Loeb & Weiner, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2011)*

# The Visible Universe



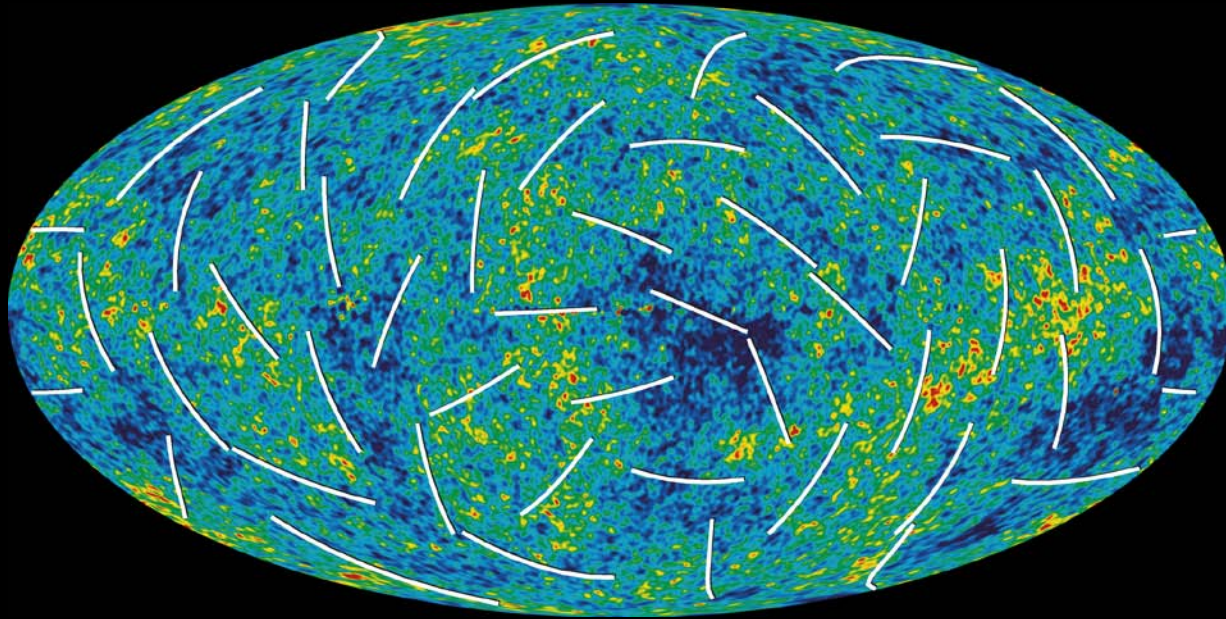
*$z > 5$ : most comoving volume (best statistical constraints on high  $k$ -modes)*

*Now is the best cosmic time for constraining observationally the initial conditions:*

$$N \sim (ct/\lambda)^3 \propto (t/a)^3$$

$$dN/dt = 0 \rightarrow t = 1/H \approx 14\text{Gyr}$$

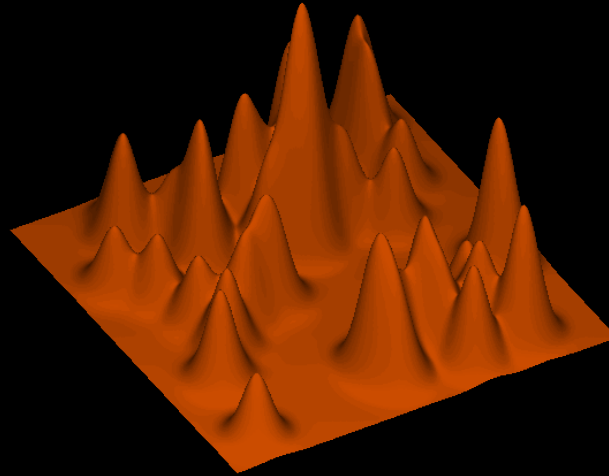
# Cosmic Microwave Background (WMAP7)



*The polarization data indicates that the first stars must have formed <500 million years after the big bang, when the universe was only a few percent of its current age!*



# *Baryon Streaming Relative to Dark Matter*



$$R \sim c_s t \sim (c/\sqrt{3})t$$

$v_b \sim 30 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  relative to dark matter at  $z \sim 10^3$

- Streaming of baryons relative to dark matter potential wells acts as an effective inhomogeneous sound speed
- Coherence scale of  $\sim 3 \text{ cMpc} \gg$  Jeans scale at  $z \sim 50$

$v_b \propto (1+z)^{-1}$  is significant only for halos with  $T_{\text{vir}}$  well below the HI cooling threshold of  $\sim 10^4 \text{ K}$

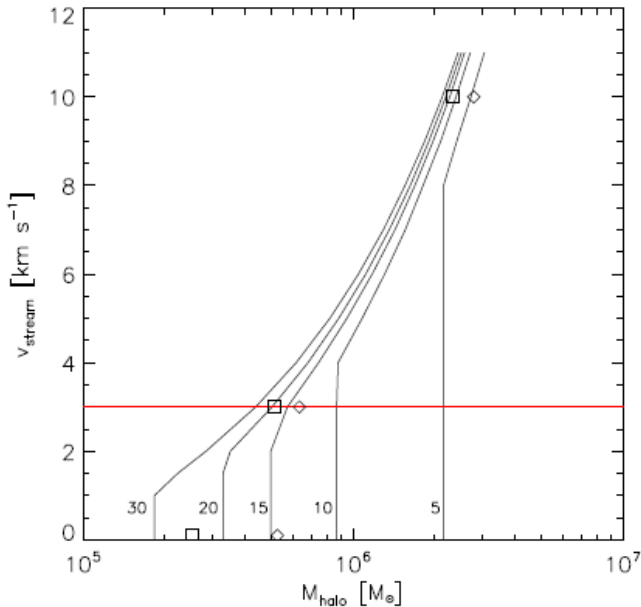


FIG. 2.— Effect of relative streaming on the minimum halo mass into which primordial gas can collapse. Each line represents the necessary halo masses for baryon collapse at a different redshift, marked in the plot. The diamonds represent the final halo masses found in ‘standard collapse’ simulations ( $z_{\text{col}} = 14$  for no streaming), and the squares represent masses from the ‘early collapse simulations’ ( $z_{\text{col}} = 24$  for no streaming). Note that the halo mass does not noticeably increase unless the initial streaming velocities are very high ( $\gtrsim 3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ ). Also note that halos collapsing at high redshift are more affected by relative streaming, as the physical streaming velocities are higher at these early times.

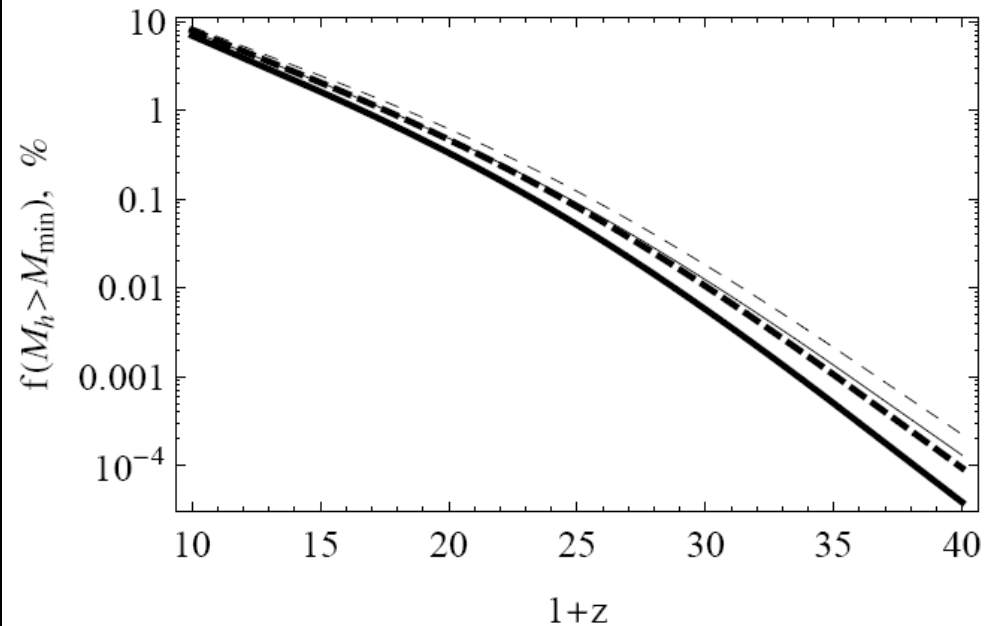


Figure 8. In the left panel we plot the total mass fraction in halos above the minimum cooling mass (solid lines). In the right panel we

# *The First Dwarf Galaxies Formed at $z \sim 50$*

*The distribution of matter can be mapped through:*

*(i) Surveys of galaxies*

*(ii) Surveys of the diffuse  
(intergalactic) gas*

*molecular  
hydrogen in  
Jeans mass  
objects*

*Yoshida et  
al. 2003*

# *Observing the Stars*

# Requirements for Reionization by Pop II Stars:

- To produce one ionizing photon per baryon:

$$\rho_{\star} \approx 1.7 \times 10^6 f_{\text{esc}}^{-1} M_{\odot} \text{Mpc}^{-3}$$

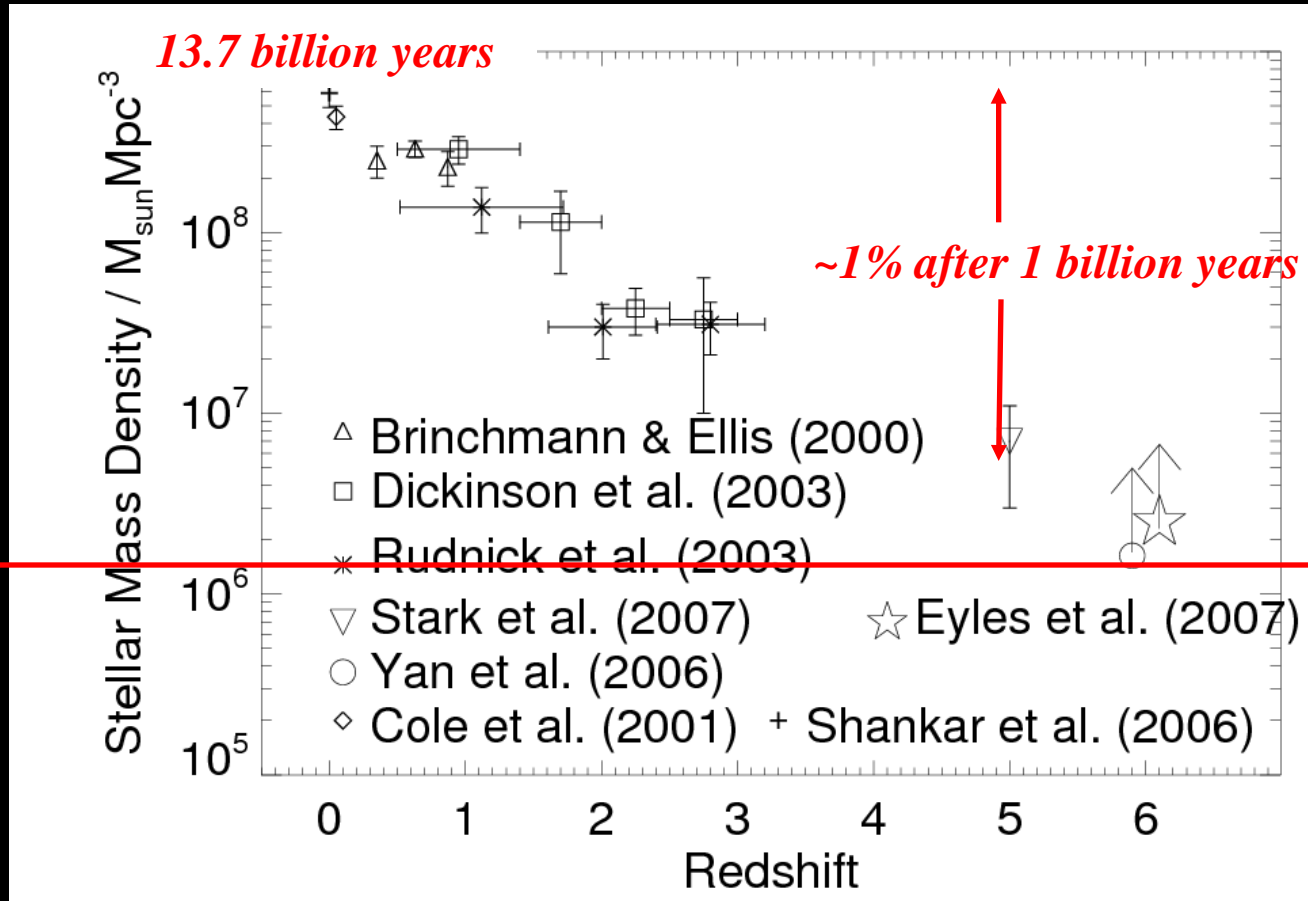
- To keep the IGM ionized by compensating for recombinations:

$$\dot{\rho}_{\star} \approx 2 \times 10^{-3} f_{\text{esc}}^{-1} C \left( \frac{1+z}{10} \right)^3 M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-3}$$



# Observed Growth of Mass in Stars

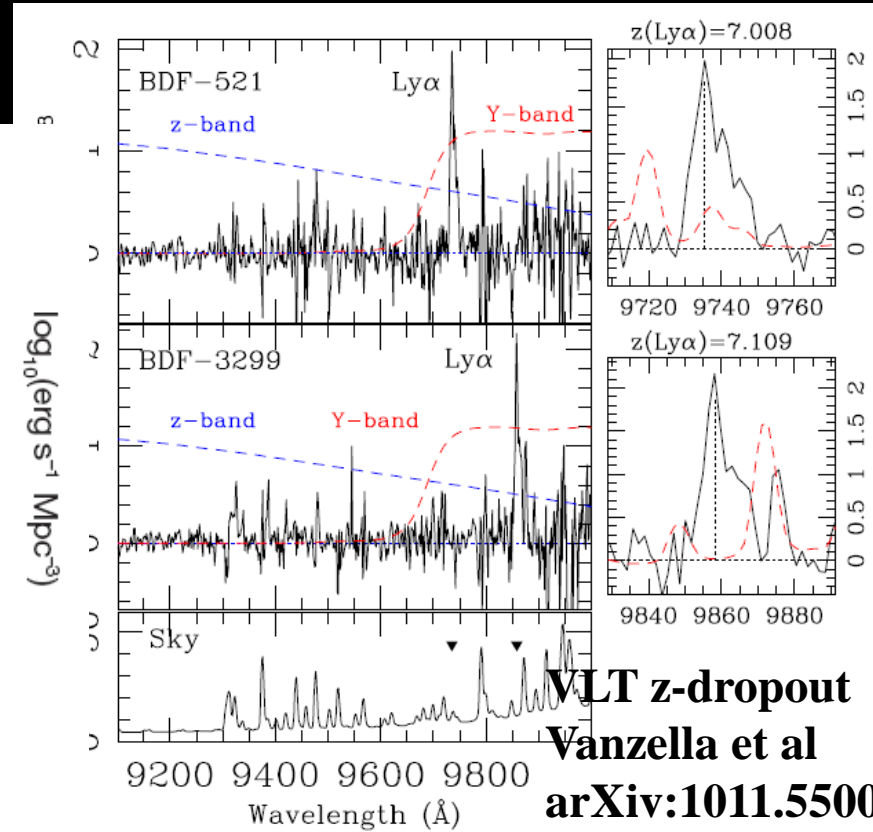
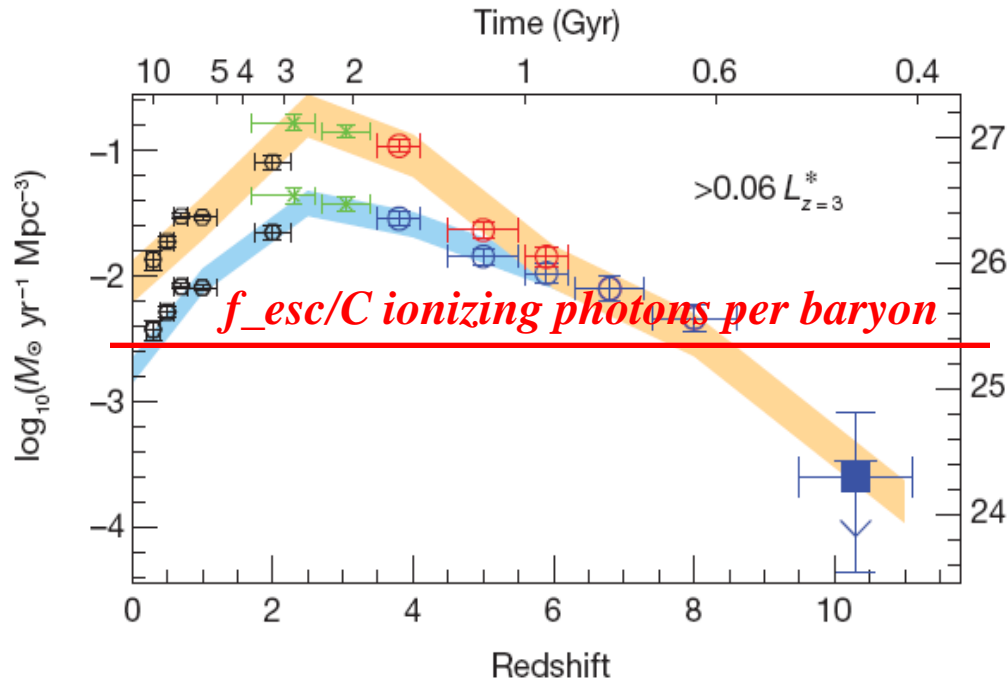
← Time



# Redshift Record of Observed Galaxies

(one  $z \sim 10$  candidate, Bouwens et al., Nature 2011)

**HST WFC3/IR:  $\sim 140$  galaxies at  $z \sim 7-8$**

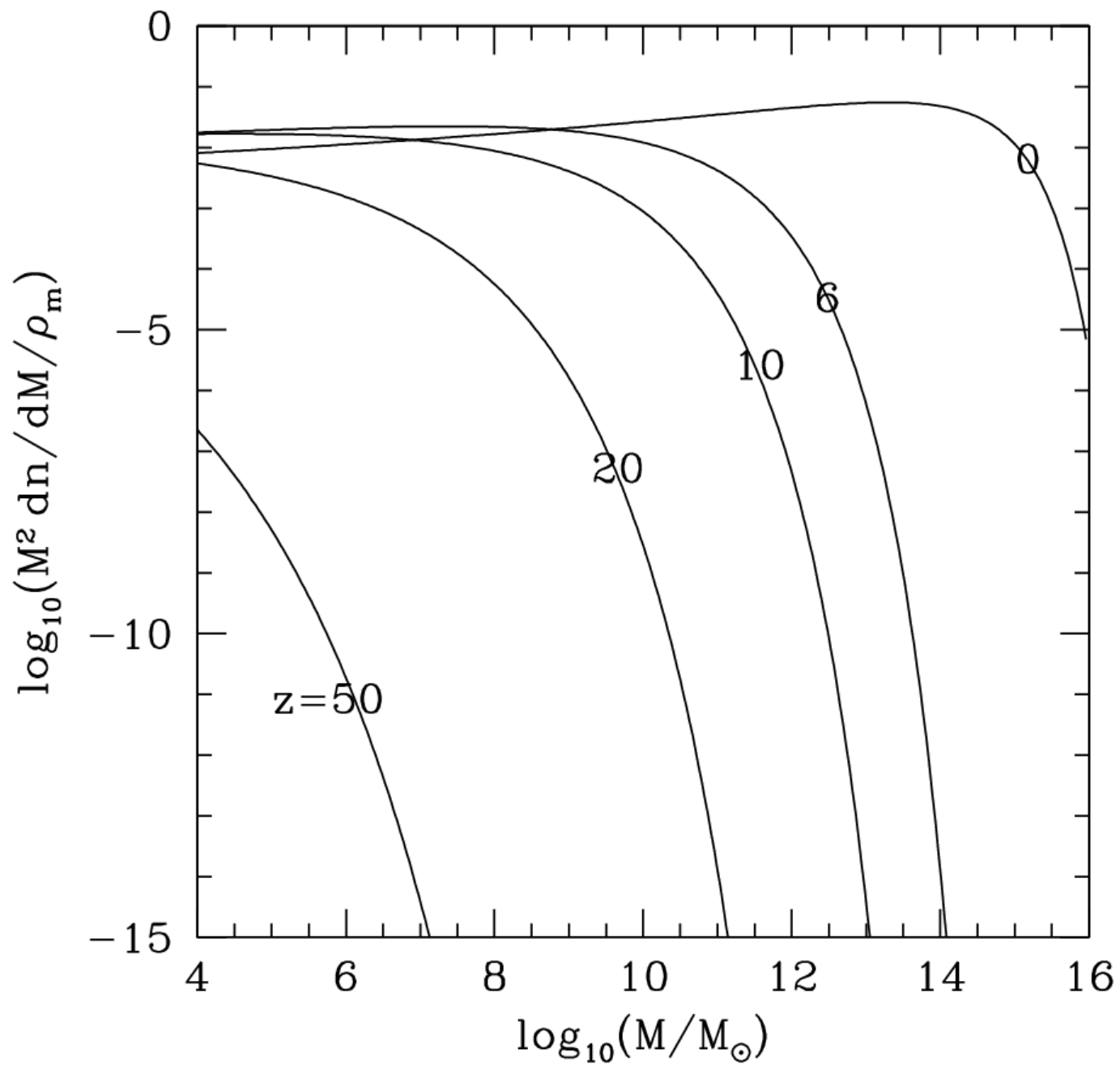


**VLT z-dropout**  
**Vanzella et al**  
**arXiv:1011.5500**

**Prediction from Barkana & Loeb (2000):**

**Most SFR at  $z > 10$  is in galaxies fainter than  $1n\text{Jy}$ !**

**( $AB > 32.9$  at 0.6-3.5 micron,  $\sim 10$  x fainter than WFC3/IR sensitivity)**



# *James Webb Space Telescope: Searching for the First Light*



*Mirror diameter: 6.5  
meter*

*Material: beryllium*

*18 segments*

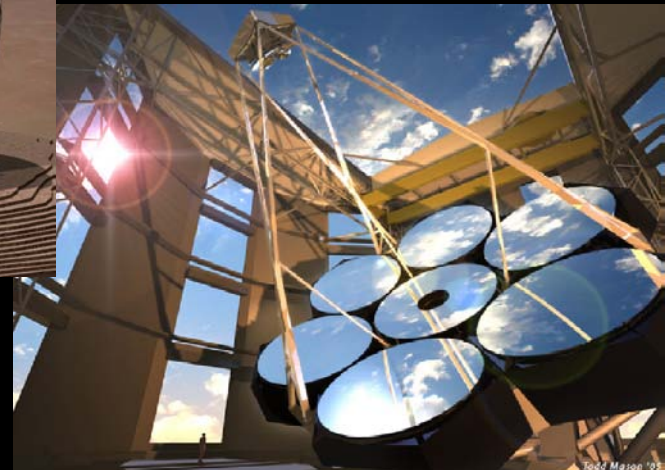
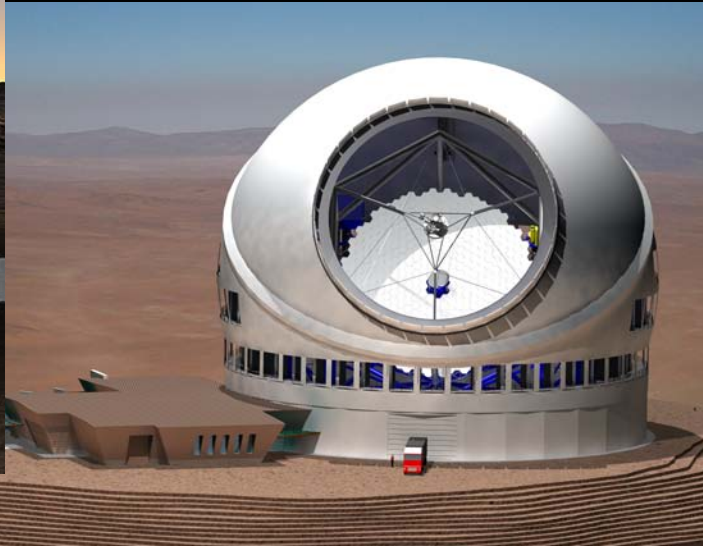
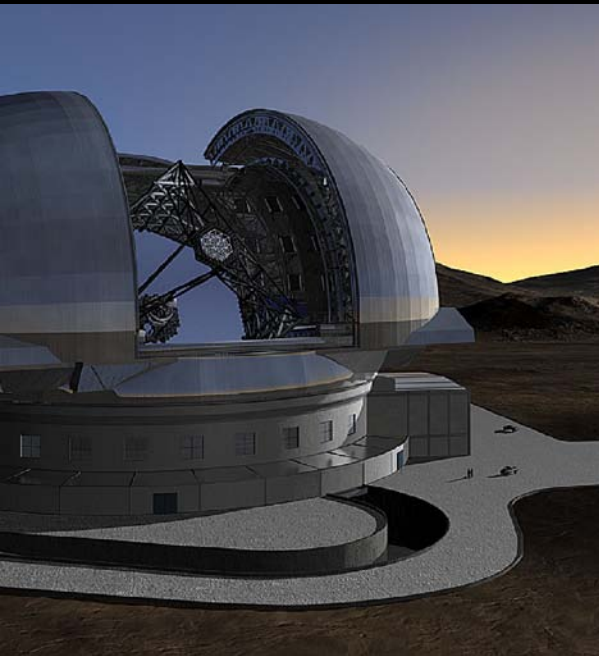
*Wavelength coverage:  
0.6-28 micron*

*L2 orbit*

*Launch date: 2018?*



# *Extremely Large Telescopes (24-42 meters)*



- GMT=Seven mirrors, each 8.4m in diameter
- TMT, EELT – segmented 30,42m aperture



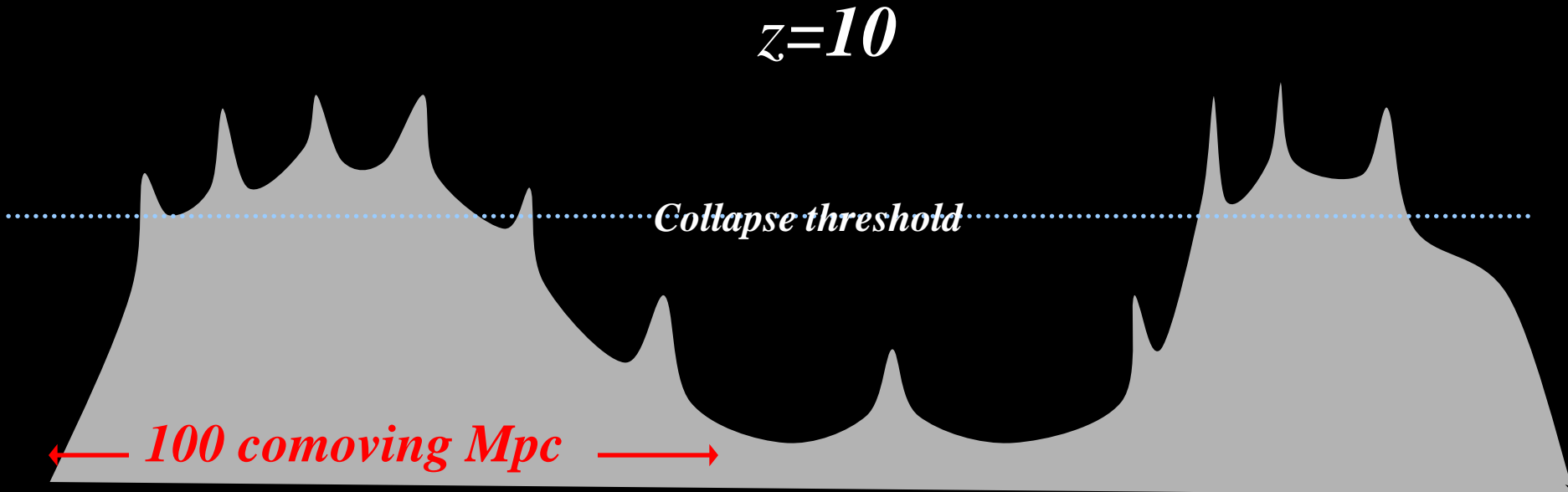
*First Galaxies Were Strongly Clustered on  
Scales of up to ~100 comoving Mpc*

$z=20$

*Collapse threshold*



# First Galaxies Were Strongly Clustered on Scales of up to $\sim 100$ comoving Mpc

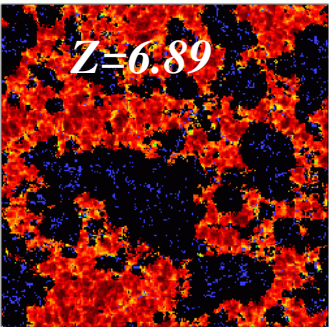
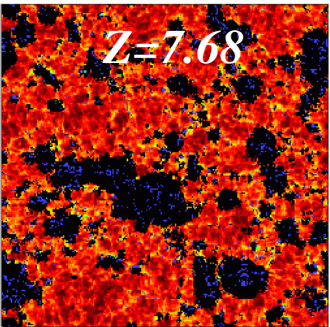
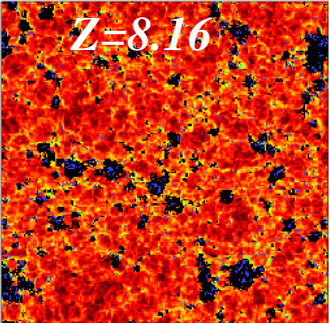


## Challenges for numerical simulations of reionization:

- \*Resolving dwarf galaxies as sources of ionizing photons*
- \*Simulation box  $>100$  comoving Mpc on a side*
- \*Following gravity, hydrodynamics, radiative transfer and their interaction*

# Reionization

## HI Density



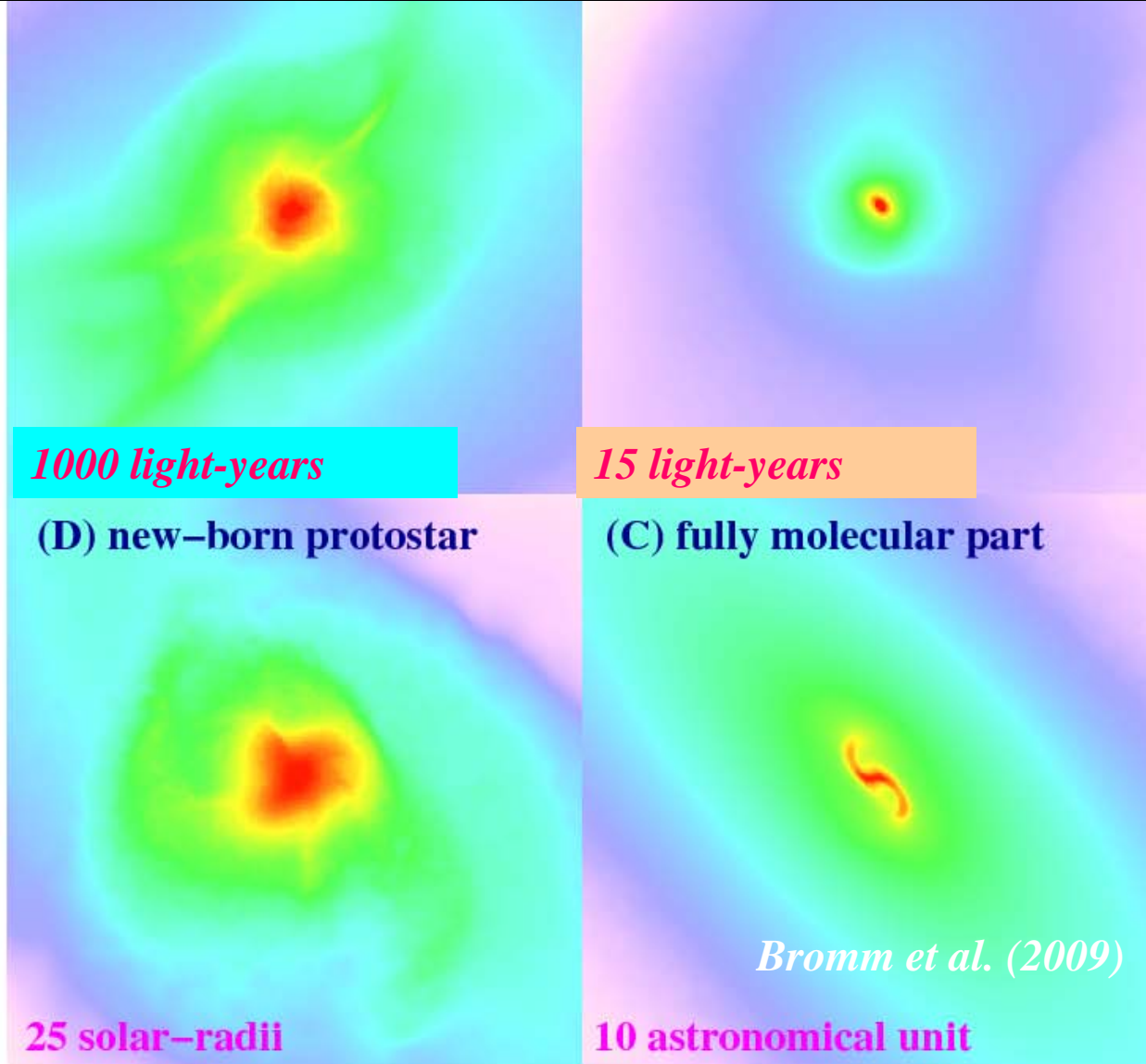
$z=29,2270$



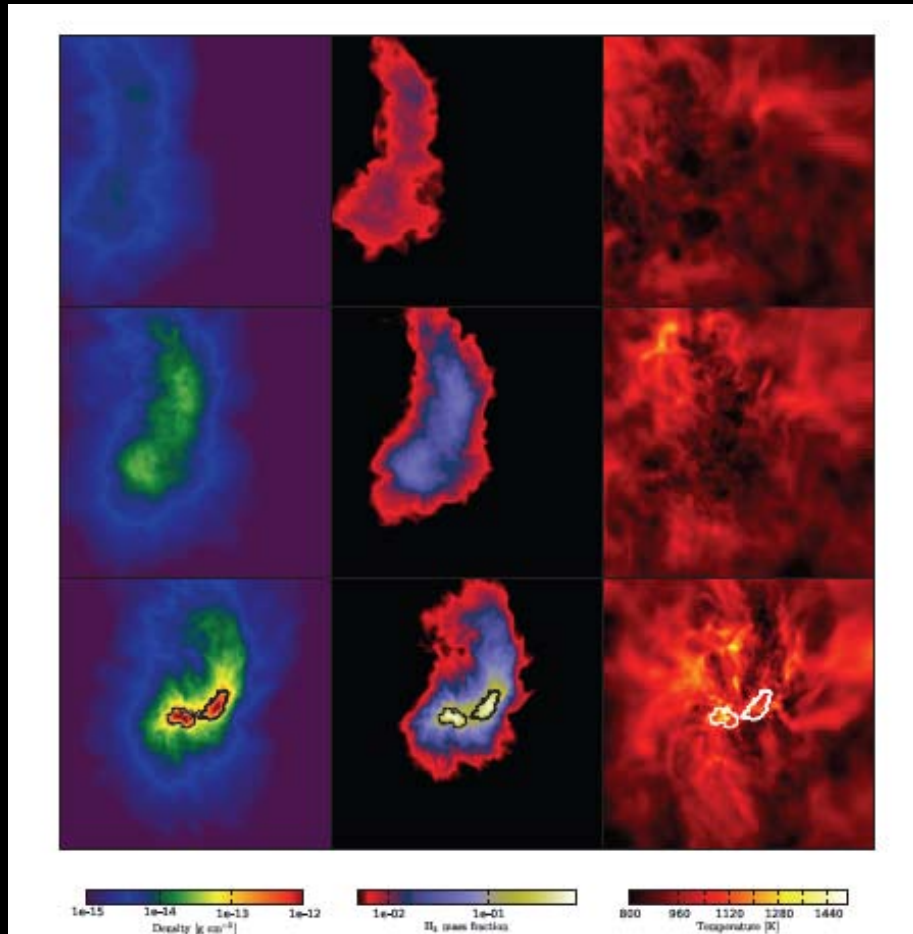
*Zahn et al. 2006*

*Trac, Cen, & Loeb 2008*

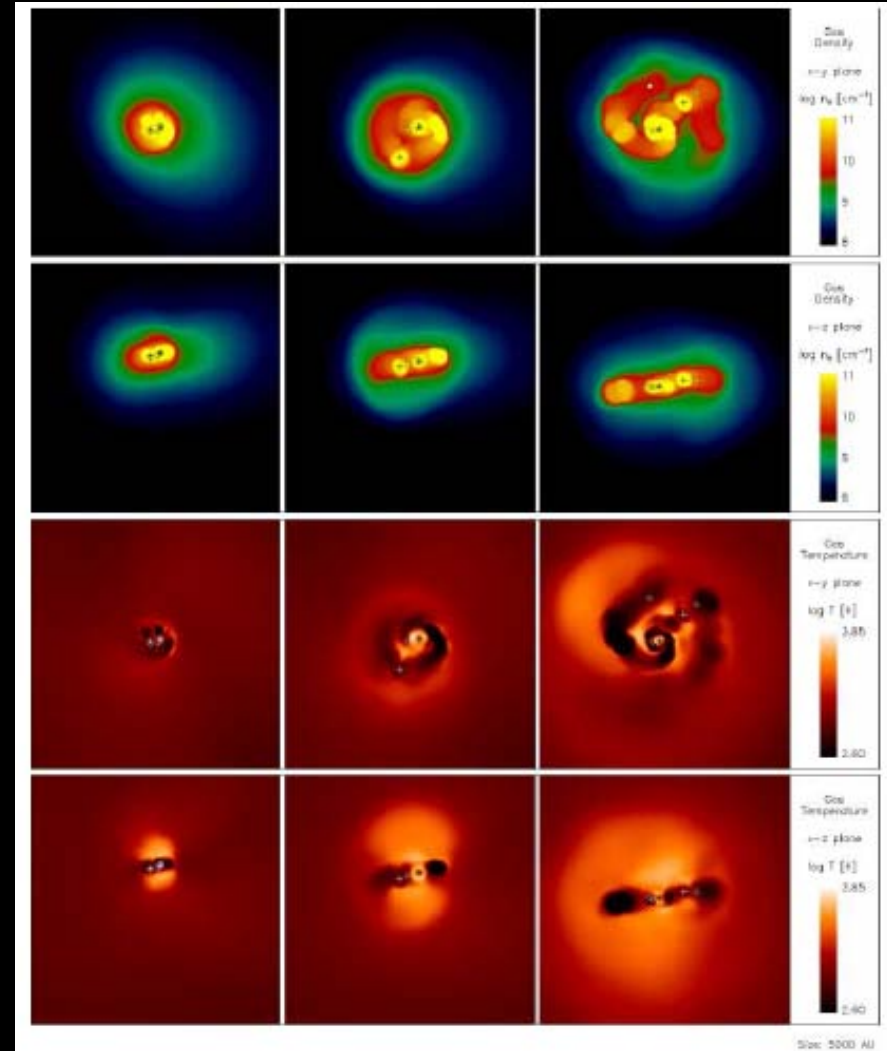
# *The First Stars Are Predicted to Have Formed ~100 Million Years After the Big Bang*



# Population III Binaries



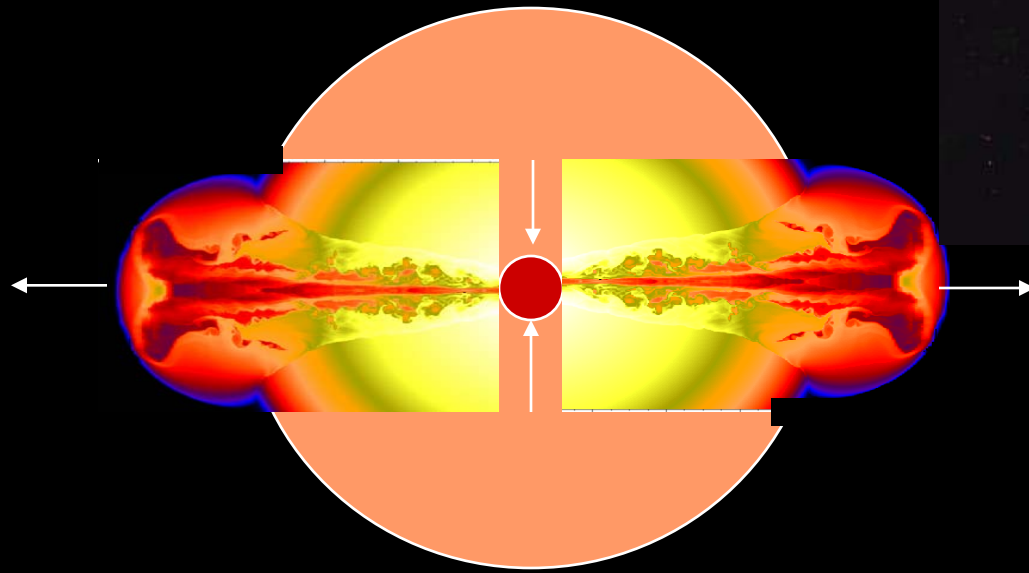
*Turk, Abel, & O'Shea 2009*



*Stacy, Greif, & Bromm 2009*



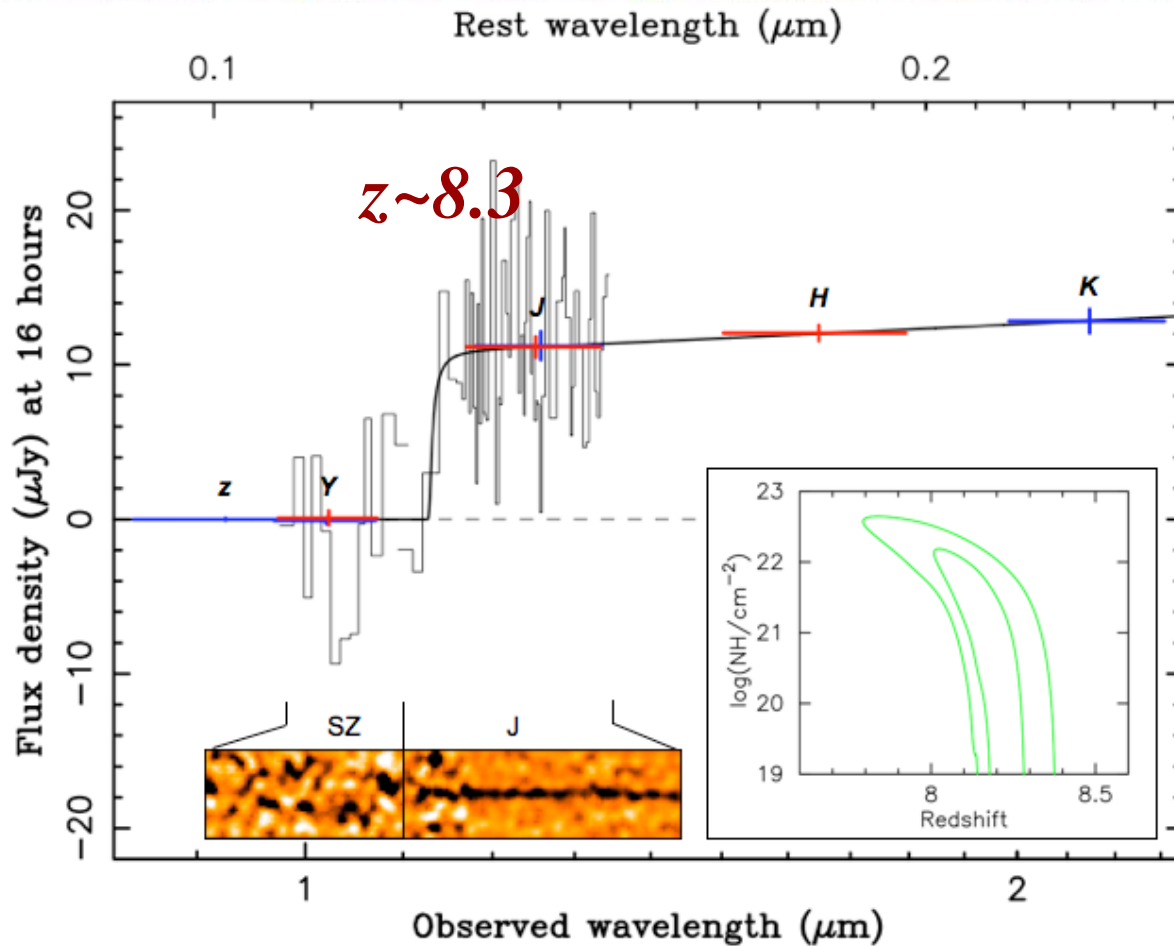
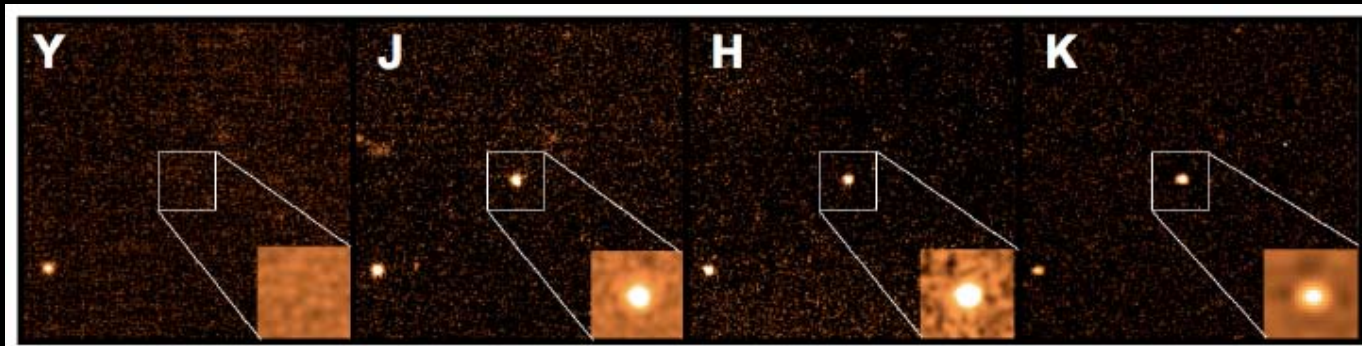
# Long Gamma-Ray Bursts: Observing One Star at a Time



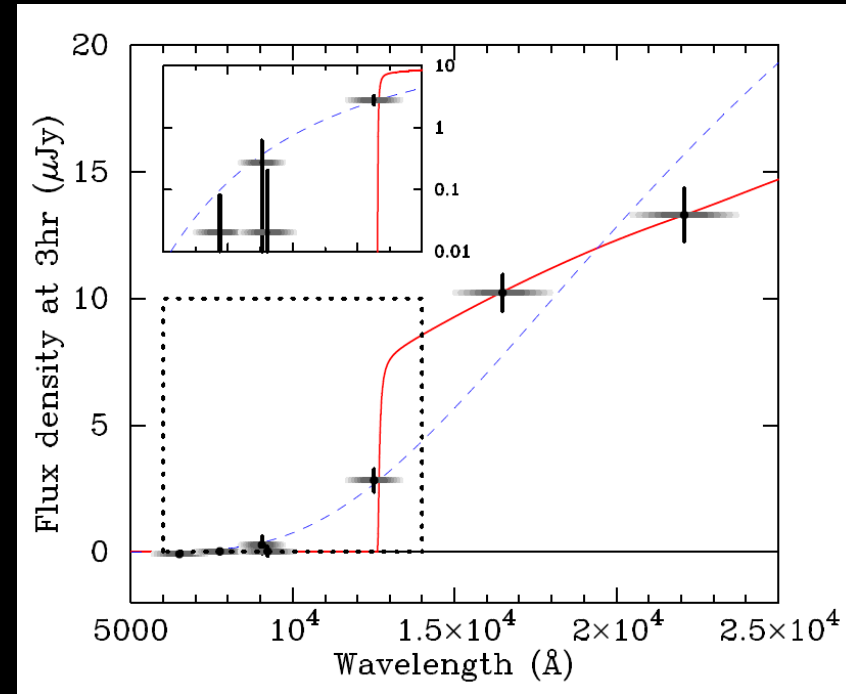
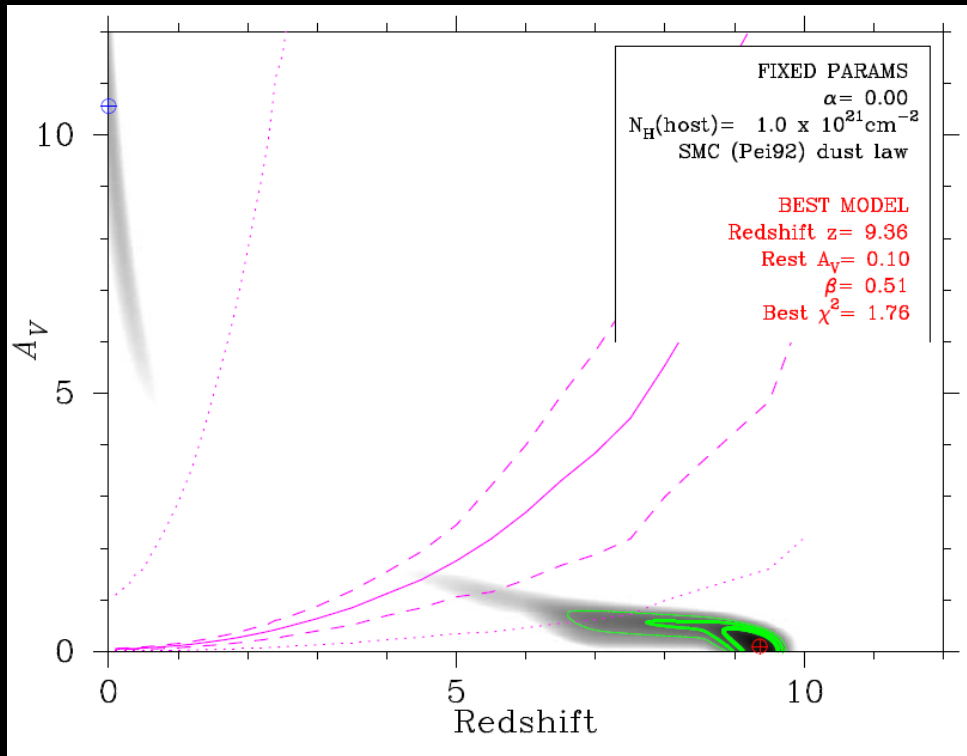
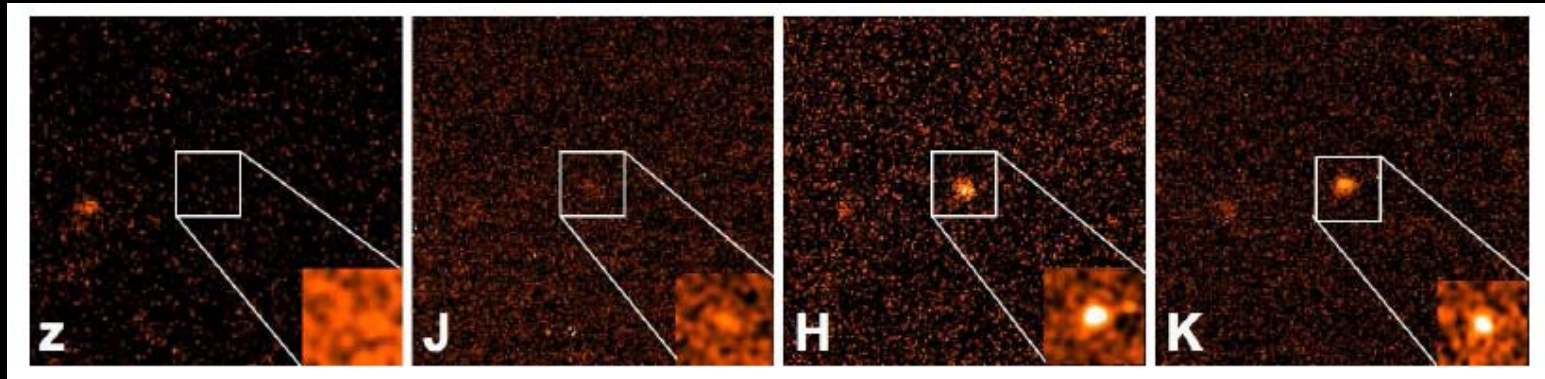
*Collapse of a Massive Star  
(accompanied by a supernova)*

Existing finder: *Swift*; Proposed: *JANUS, EXIST* (*high-z GRBs*)

# A Bright Explosion 620 Million Years after the Big Bang



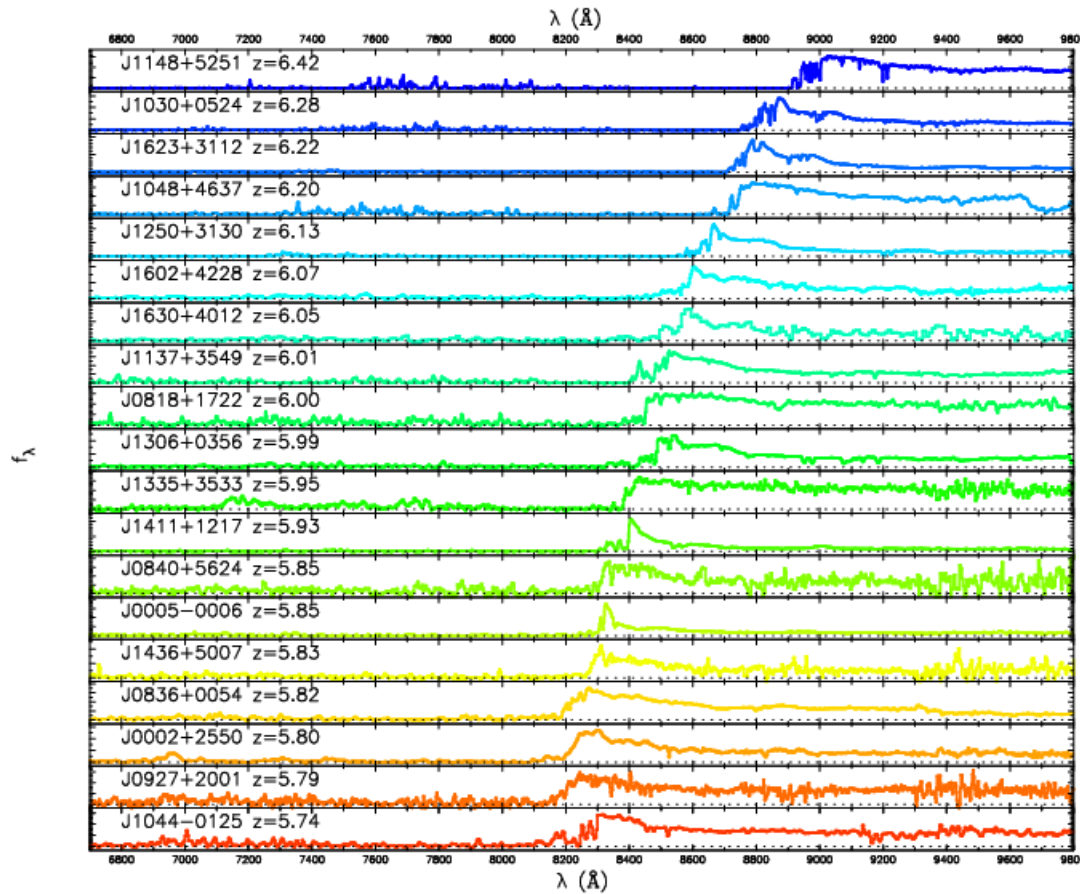
...and GRB 090429B at  $t=520$  million years ( $z\sim 9.4$ )



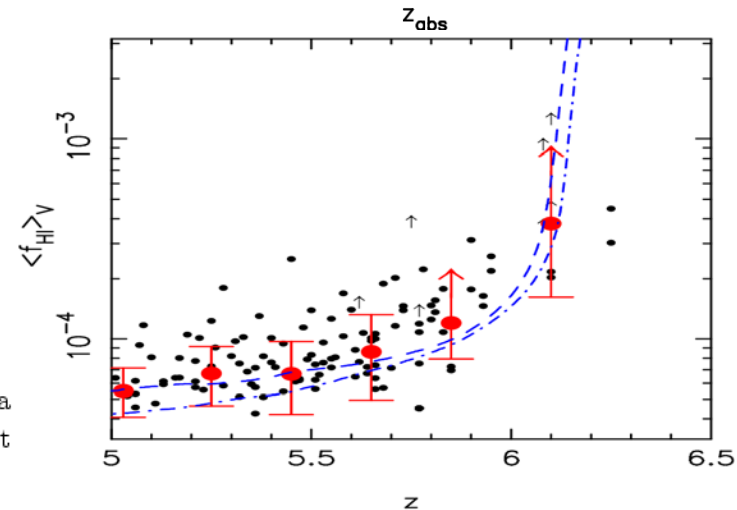
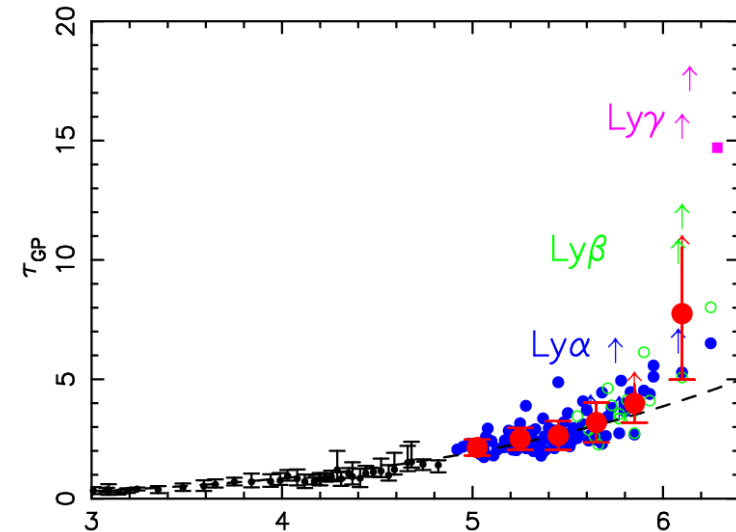
*Cucchiara et al. (2011)*

*Observing the Diffuse Gas*

# So far, the intergalactic hydrogen was mainly probed by quasar spectra

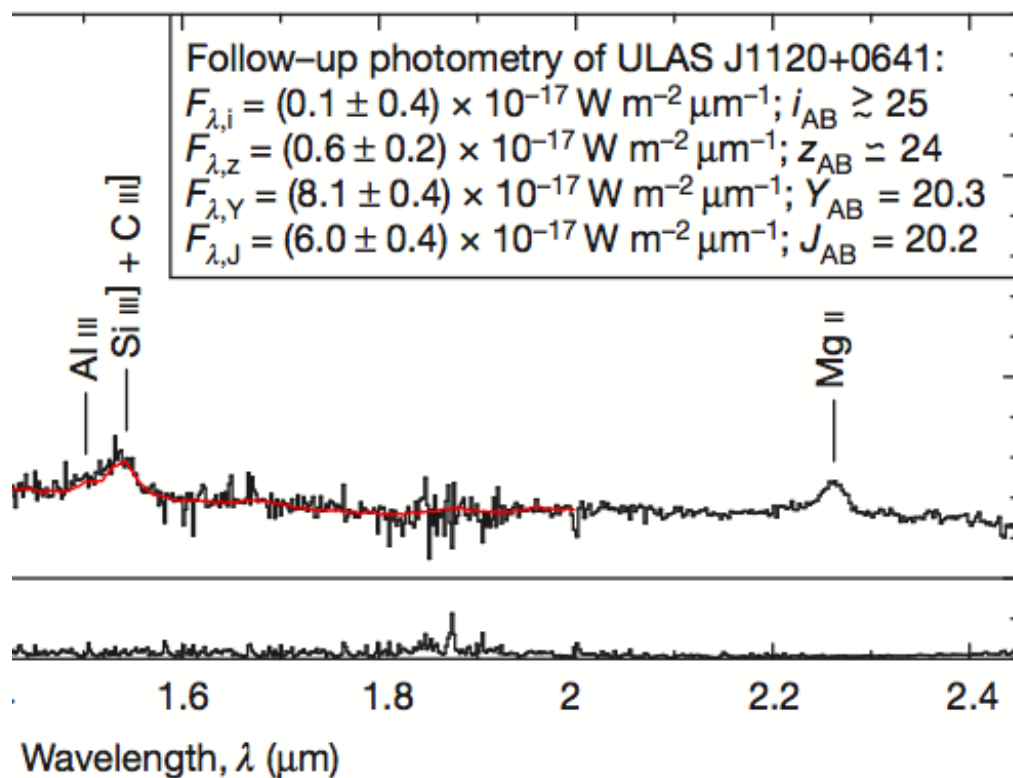
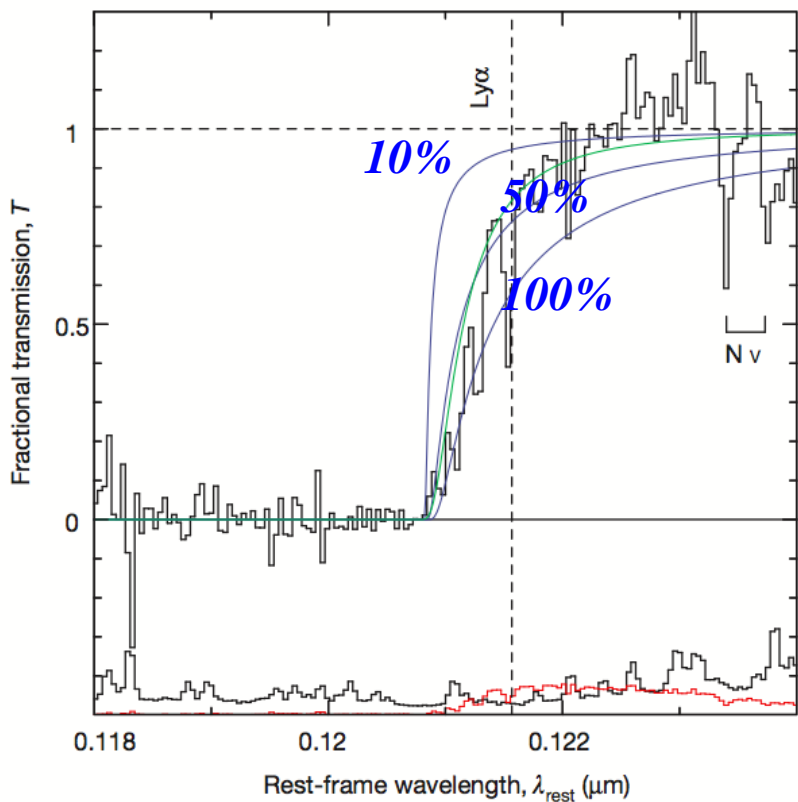


Spectra of our sample of nineteen SDSS quasars at  $5.74 < z < 6.42$ . Twelve of the spectra were taken with Keck/ESI, while the others were observed with the MMT/Red Channel and Kitt Peak 4-meter/MARS spectrographs. See Table 1 for detailed information.

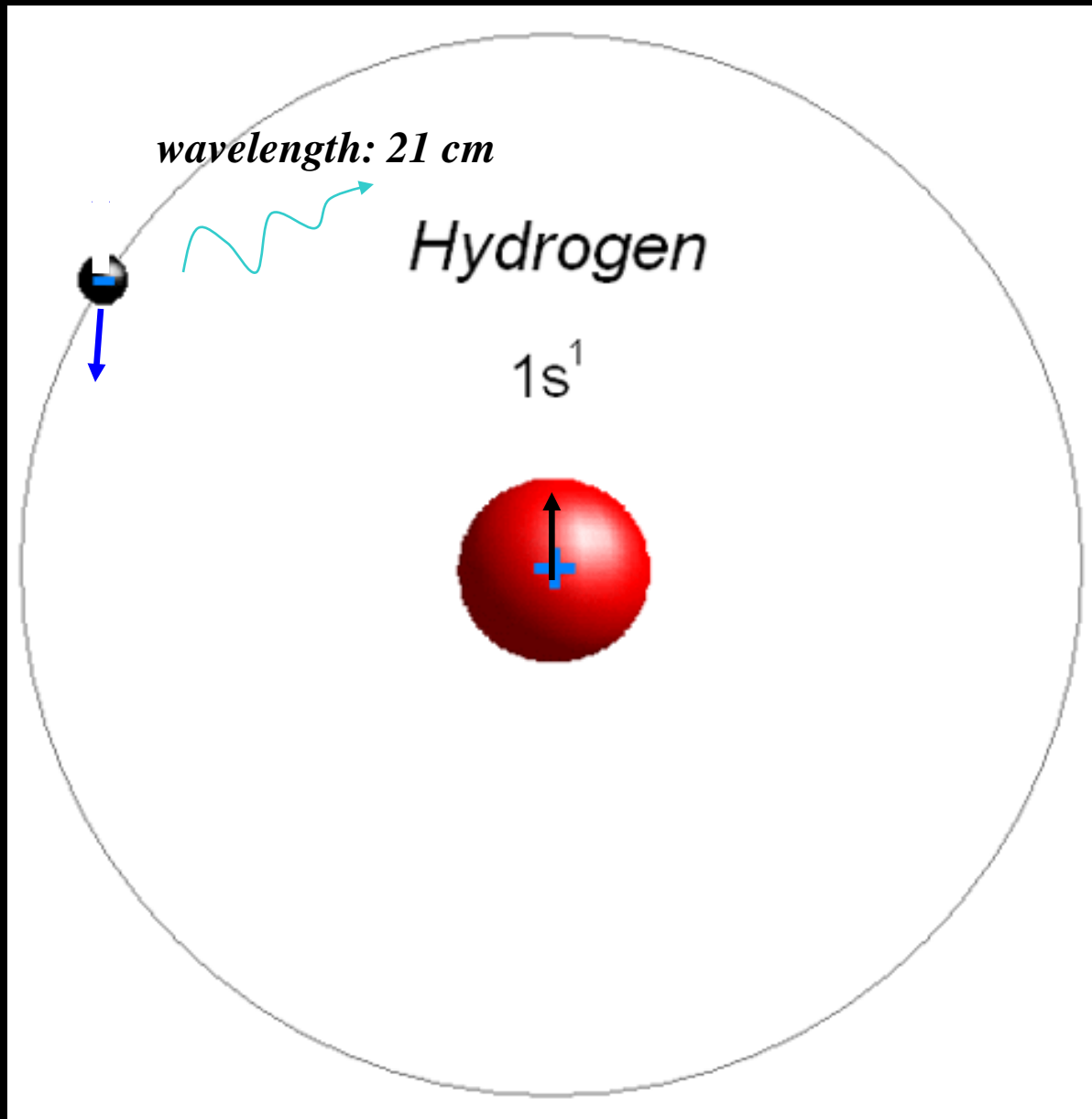


# A luminous quasar at a redshift of $z = 7.085$

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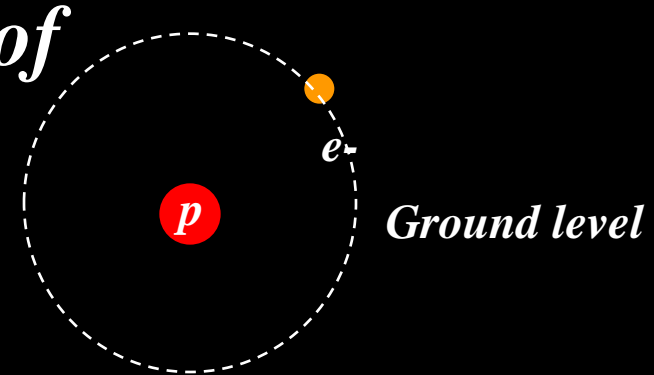






**Harvard connection:** *Theodore Lyman, Cecilia Payne-Gaposchkin, Edward Purcell, George Field ...*

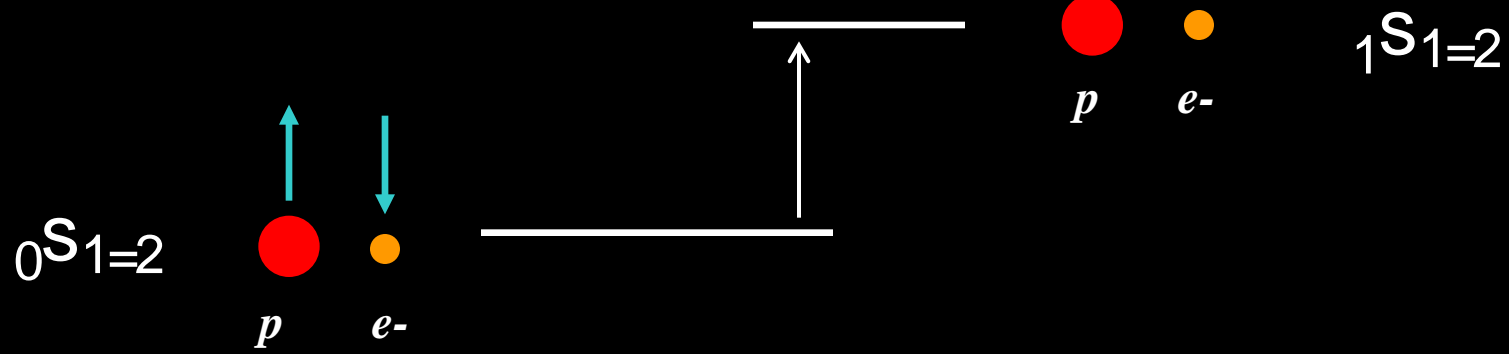
# Mapping the Cosmic Distribution of Hydrogen



*excitation rate = (Ly $\alpha$  & atomic collisions) + (radiative coupling to CMB)*

*Couple  $T_s$  to  $T_k$*

*Couples  $T_s$  to  $T_{\gamma}$   
spin*

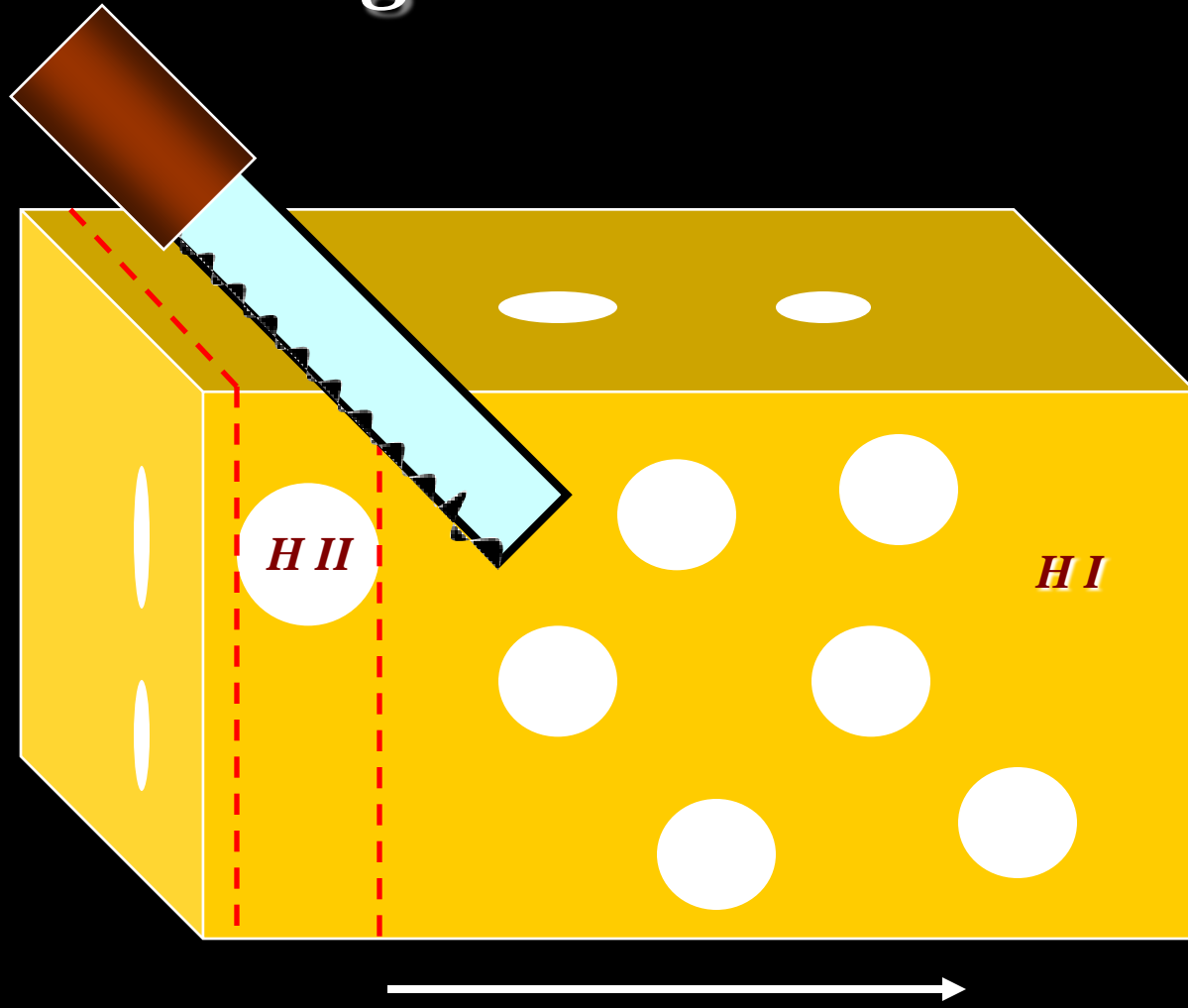


*Spin Temperature*

$$\frac{n_1}{n_0} = 3 \exp\left(-\frac{0.07\text{K}}{T_s}\right)$$

*Predicted by Van de Hulst in 1944; Observed by Ewen & Purcell in 1951 at Harvard*

*21cm Tomography of Ionized Bubbles During Reionization is like  
Slicing Swiss Cheese*



*Observed wavelength ⇔ distance*

# 21cm Mapping of Cosmic History in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

## LIGHTING UP THE COSMOS

In the beginning of the Dark Ages, electrically neutral hydrogen gas filled the universe. As stars formed, they ionized the regions immediately around them, creating bubbles here and there. Eventually these bubbles merged together, and intergalactic gas became entirely ionized.



Time:  
Width of frame:  
Observed wavelength:

210 million years  
2.4 million light-years  
4.1 meters

All the gas is neutral. The white areas are the densest and will give rise to the first stars and quasars.



290 million years  
3.0 million light-years  
3.3 meters

Faint red patches show that the stars and quasars have begun to ionize the gas around them.



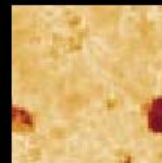
370 million years  
3.6 million light-years  
2.8 meters

These bubbles of ionized gas grow.



460 million years  
4.1 million light-years  
2.4 meters

New stars and quasars form and create their own bubbles.



540 million years  
4.6 million light-years  
2.1 meters

The bubbles are beginning to interconnect.



620 million years  
5.0 million light-years  
2.0 meters

The bubbles have merged and nearly taken over all of space.

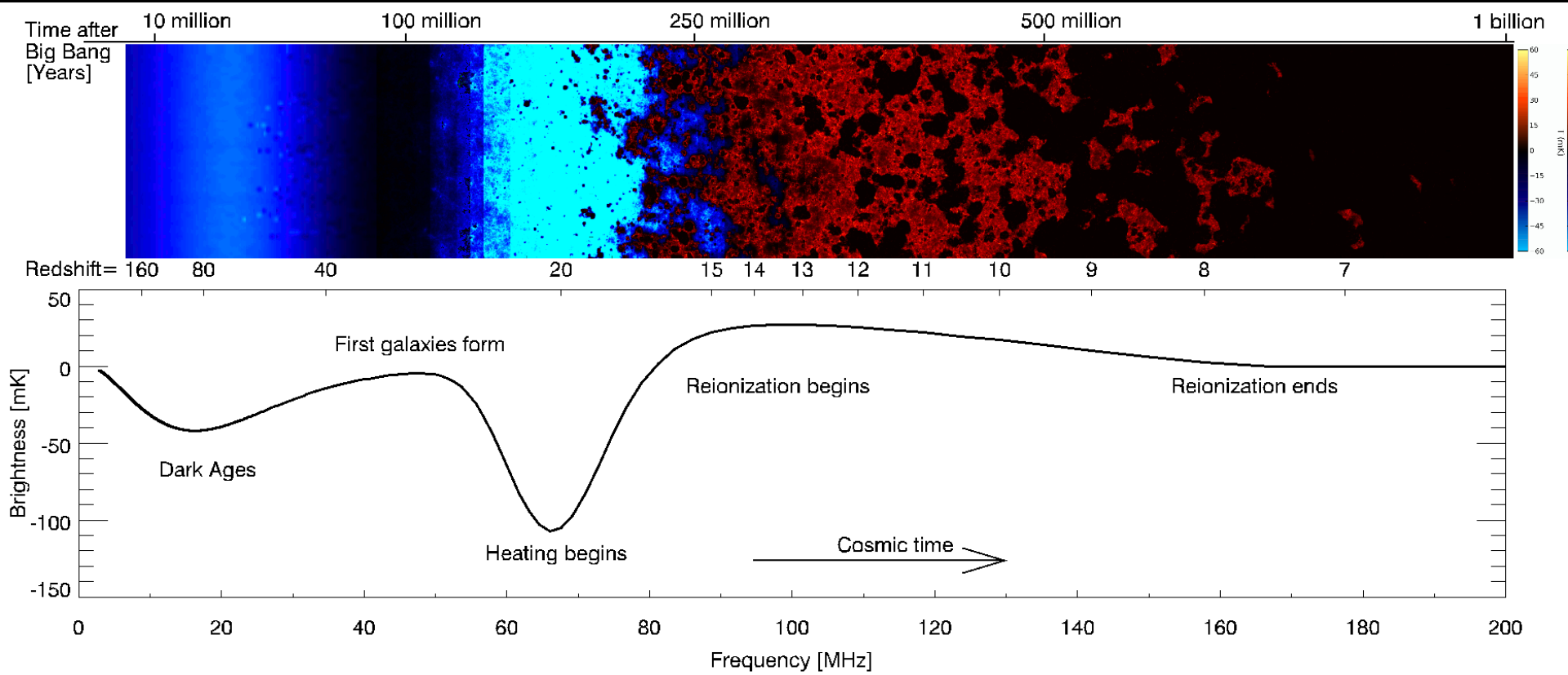


710 million years  
5.5 million light-years  
1.8 meters

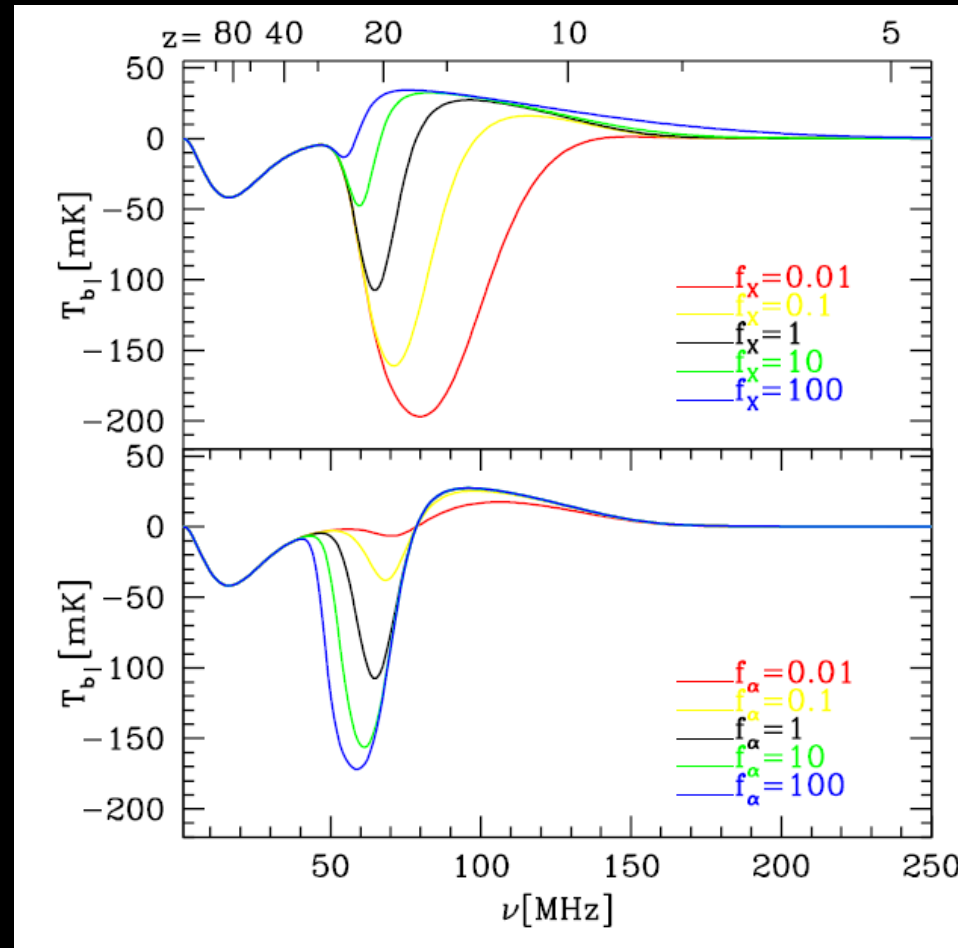
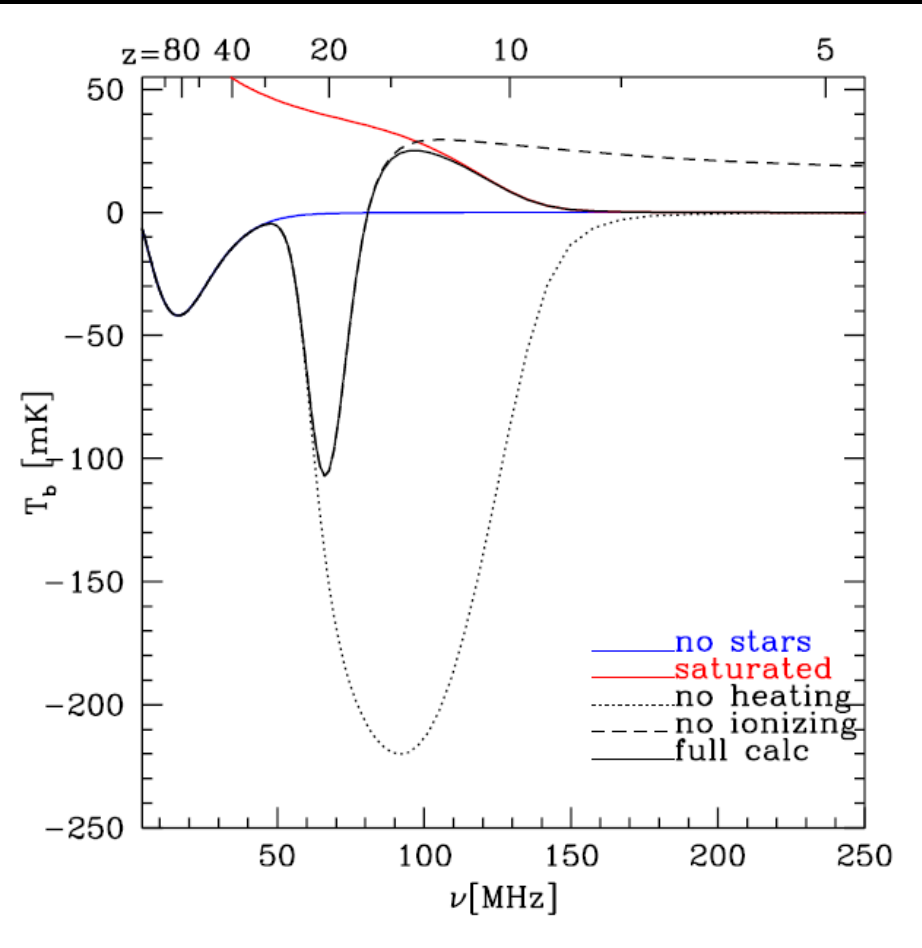
The only remaining neutral hydrogen is concentrated in galaxies.



Simulated images of 21-centimeter radiation show how hydrogen gas turns into a galaxy cluster. The amount of radiation (*white is highest; orange and red are intermediate; black is least*) reflects both the density of the gas and its degree of ionization: dense, electrically neutral gas appears white; dense, ionized gas appears black. The images have been rescaled to remove the effect of cosmic expansion and thus highlight the cluster-forming processes. Because of expansion, the 21-centimeter radiation is actually observed at a longer wavelength; the earlier the image, the longer the wavelength.



# The Global 21-cm Signal



(Pritchard & Loeb, *Phys. Rev. D*, 2010)

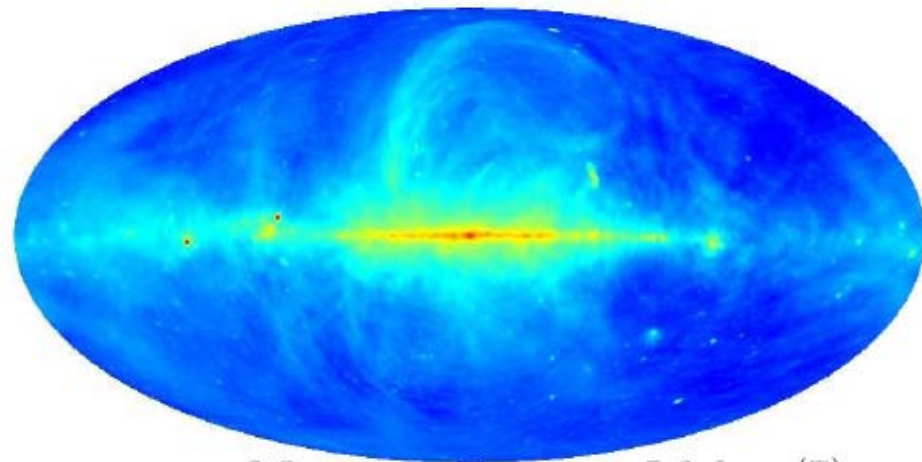


# *The EDGES Experiment*

The Experiment to Detect the  
Global EOR Signature (EDGES)

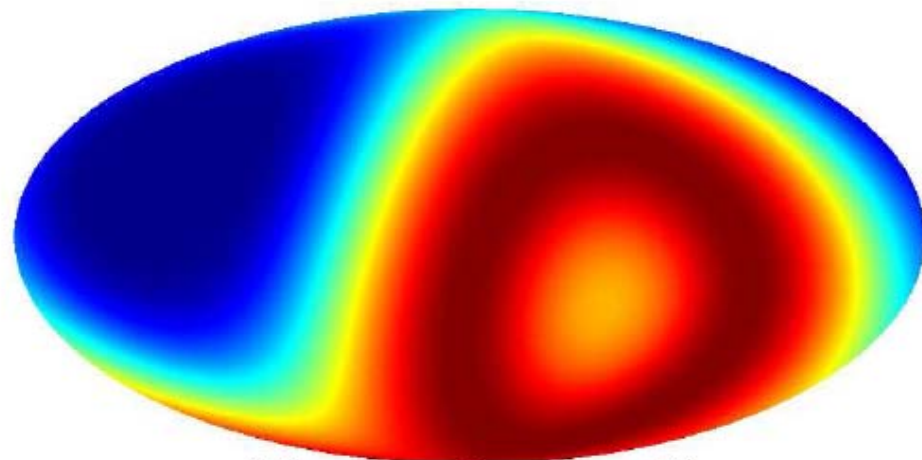


Sky at 100 MHz



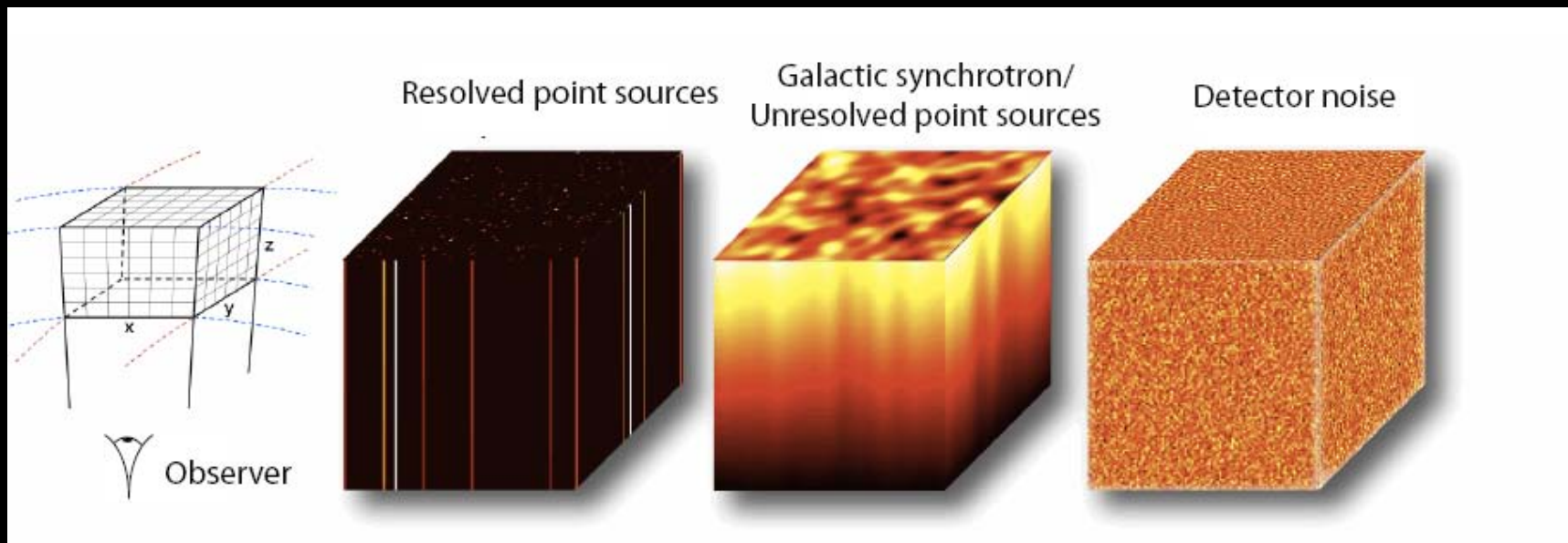
2.3  5.0 Log (T)

dipole response at 100 MHz



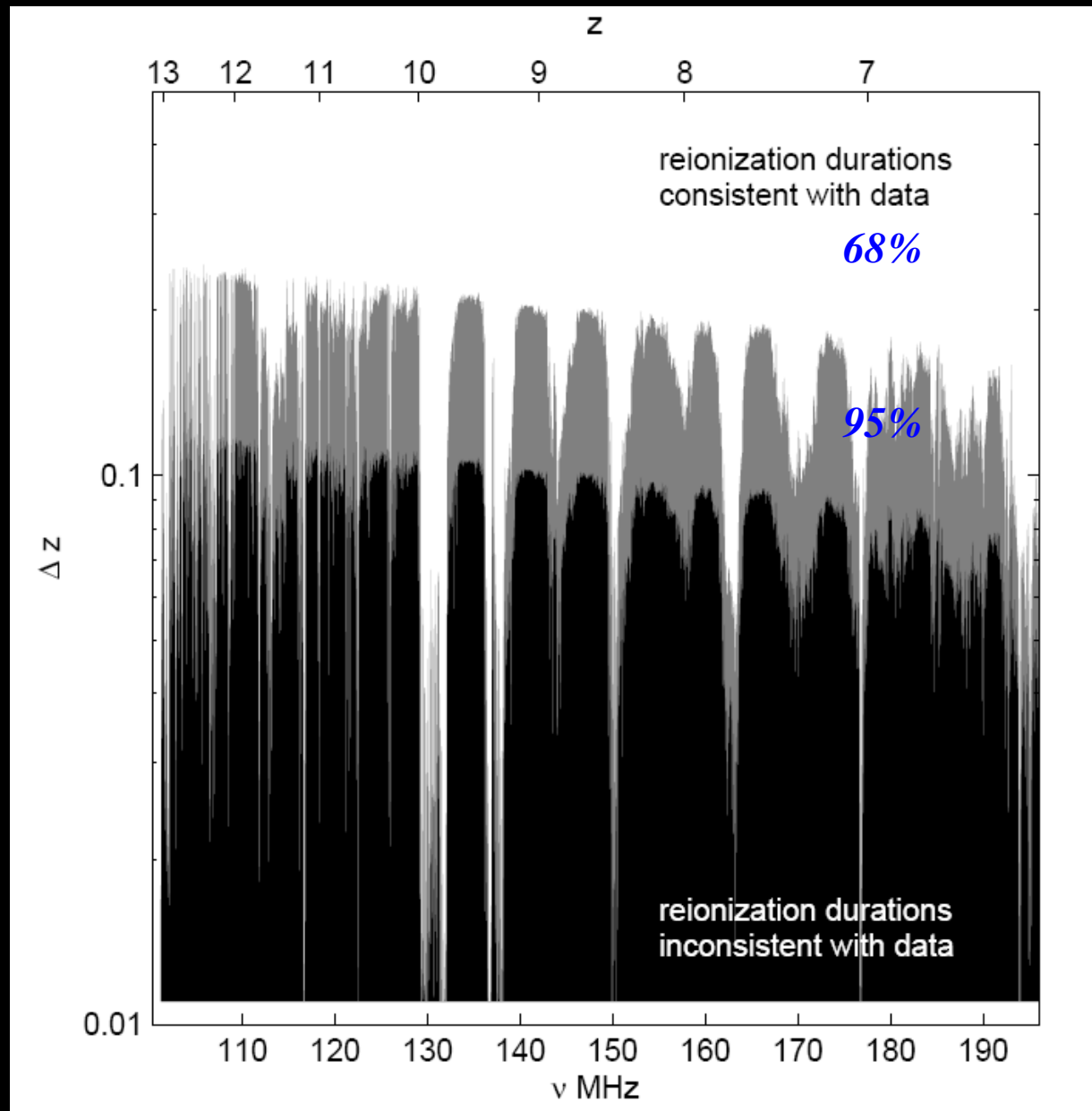
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# *Foregrounds*



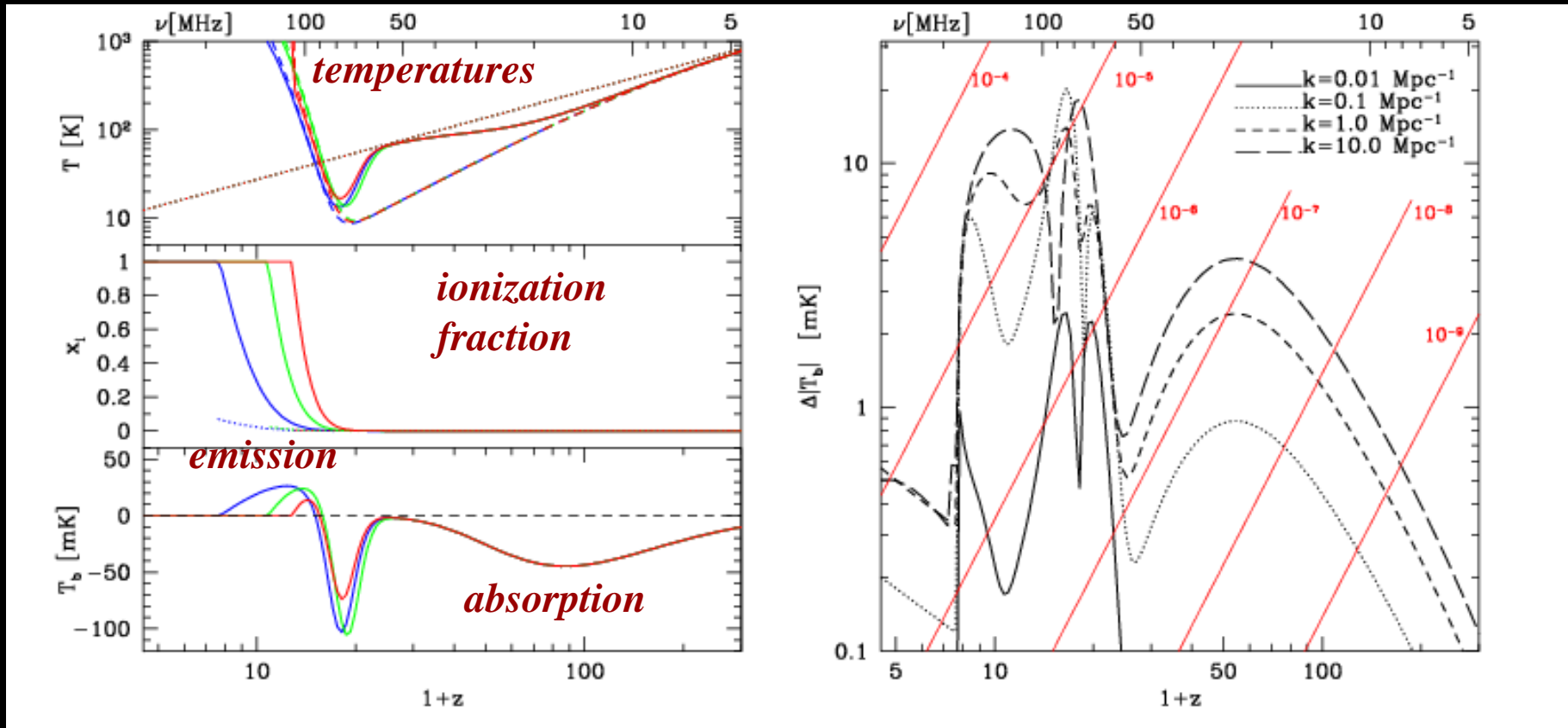
*Liu & Tegmark (2011)*

# *Reionization Was Not Abrupt!*



*Bowman &  
Rogers 2010*

# 21-cm Tomography throughout Cosmic History



(Pritchard & Loeb, *Phys. Rev. D*, 2008)

# Line-of-Sight Anisotropy of 21cm Flux Fluctuations

$$T_b = \frac{\tau}{(1+z)} (T_s - T_{\text{CMB}})$$

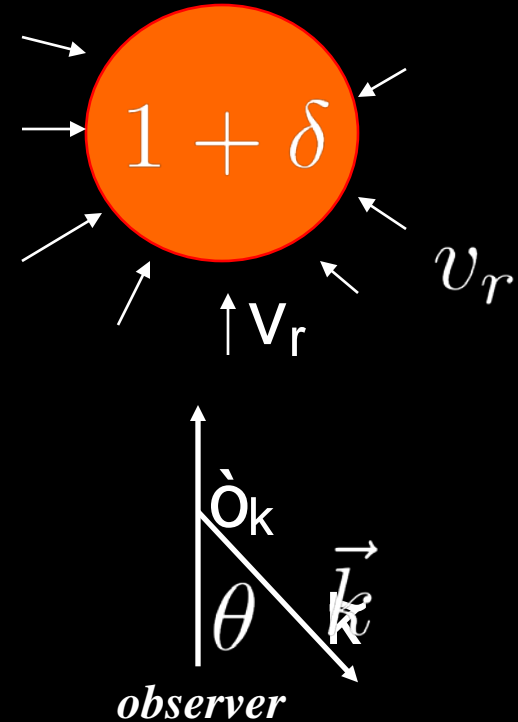
*Peculiar velocity changes*  $\tau \propto \frac{n_{\text{HI}}}{|dv_r/dt|} \propto \frac{1}{v_r}$

→ *Power spectrum is not isotropic* (“Kaiser effect”)

$$\frac{dv_r}{dr}(\vec{k}) = -\cos^2 \theta \times \delta(\vec{k})$$

$$P(\vec{k}) = [\delta_{\text{iso}}(k) + \delta(k) \cos^2 \theta]^2$$

$\cos^0 \theta, \cos^2 \theta, \cos^4 \theta$  terms allow separation of powers





# *Experiments*

*\*MWA (Murchison Wide-Field Array)*

*MIT/U.Melbourne,ATNF,ANU/CfA/Raman I.*

*\*LOFAR (Low-frequency Array)*

*Netherlands/Europe*

*\*21CMA (formerly known as PAST)*

*China*

*\*PAPER*

*UCB*

*\*GMRT (Giant Meterwave Radio Telescope)*

*India/CITA*

*\*SKA (Square Kilometer Array)*

*International*





# *Murchison Wide-Field Array: 21cm emission from diffuse hydrogen at $z=6.5-15$*



- 4mx4m tiles of 16 dipole antennae, 80-300MHz
- 128 antenna tiles with total collecting area 2000 sq.m. at 150MHz across a 1.5km area; few arcmin resolution

# Separating the Physics from the Astrophysics

Physics: initial conditions from inflation;  
nature of dark matter and dark energy

Astrophysics: consequences of star formation

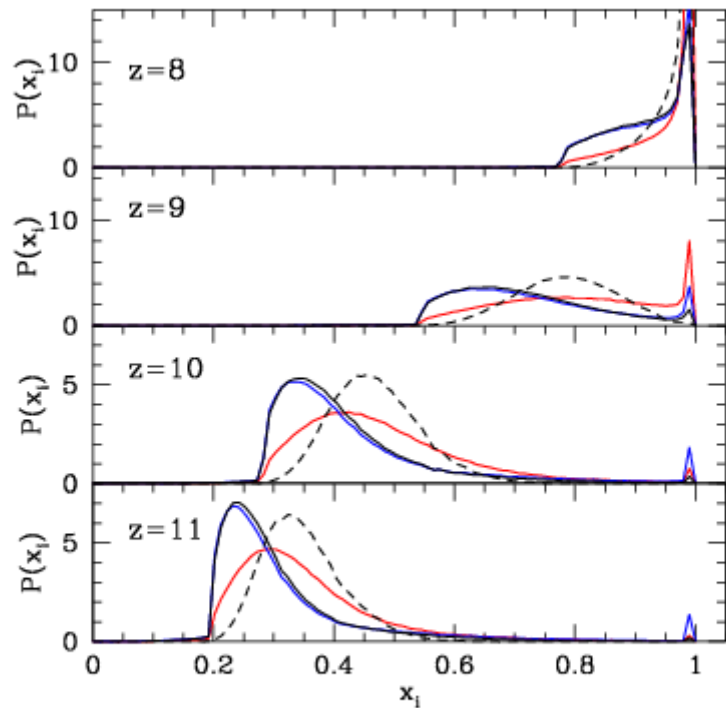
## **Three epochs:**

- Before the first galaxies ( $z > 25$ ): mapping of density fluctuations through 21cm absorption
- During reionization: anisotropy of the 21cm power spectrum due to peculiar velocities
- After reionization ( $z < 6$ ): dense pockets of residual hydrogen (DLAs) trace large scale structure

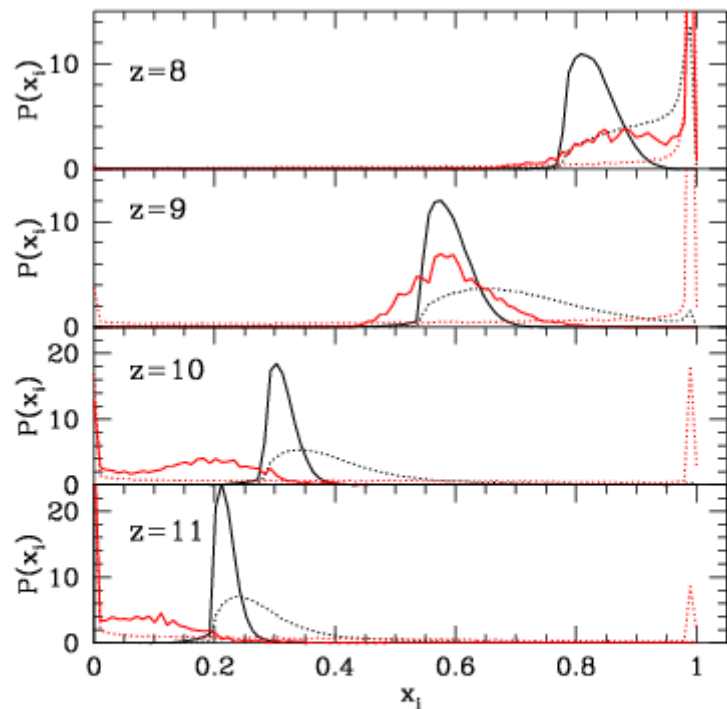
*Testing gravity:* measuring the gravitational growth of perturbations on small scales (not probed so far) which are still in the linear regime at high redshifts ( $1 < z < 15$ )

*Status:* analogous to CMB research prior to COBE

# When Was the Universe Ionized?



**Figure 5.** Distribution of  $x_i$  at redshifts  $z = 8, 9, 10,$  and  $11$  for the  $\zeta$  parametrization. Same curve styles as for Figure 4.



**Figure 14.** Distribution of  $x_i$  at redshifts  $z = 8, 9, 10,$  and  $11$  when 21 cm measurements are included. In each panel, we plot the distribution of the  $\zeta$  (black) and  $\dot{N}_{\text{ion}}$  (red) parametrizations with (solid curves) and without (dotted curves) a 21 cm measurement of  $x_i(z = 9.5) = 0.5 \pm 0.05$ .

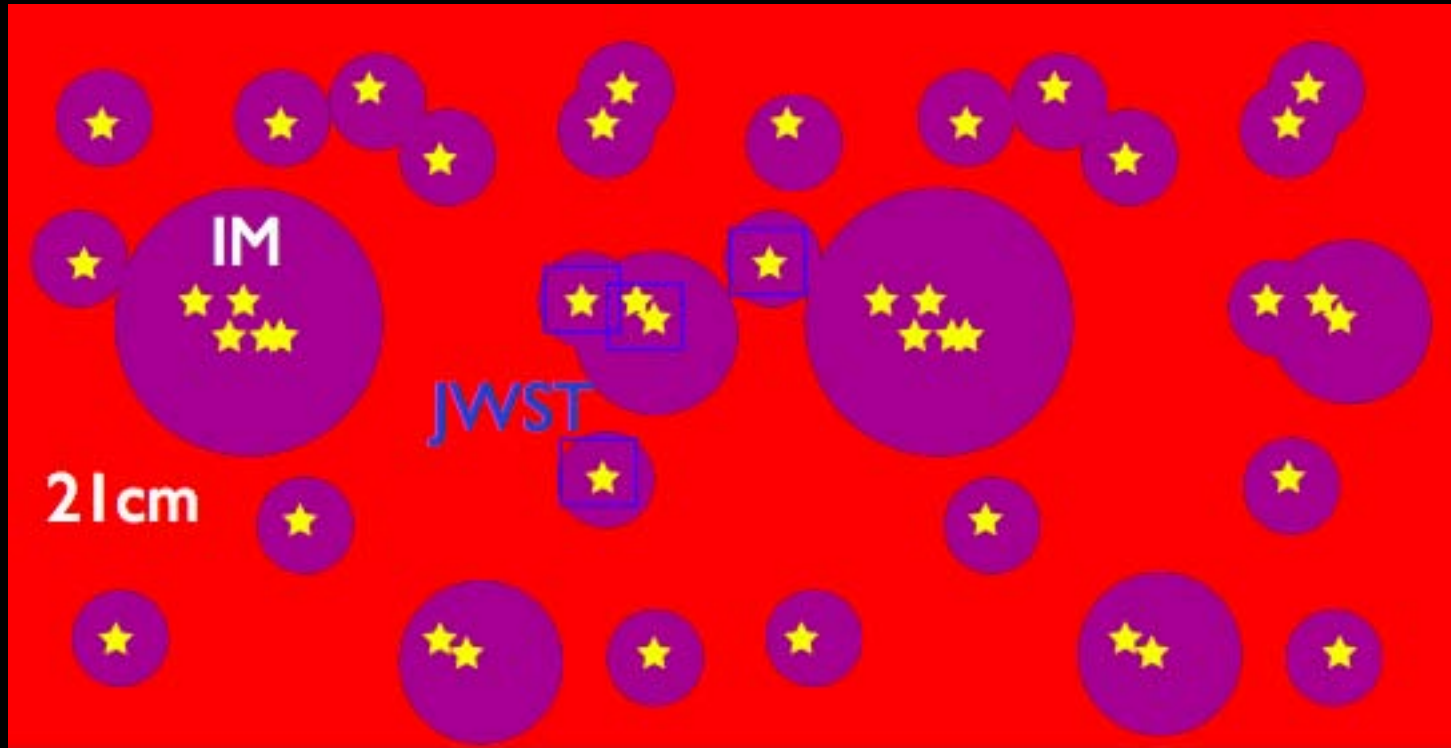
- Based on Ly $\alpha$  forest at  $z < 6$  and CMB data

*Pritchard, Loeb, & Wyithe, arXiv:0908.3891*

*Intensity Mapping of Other Lines*  
*(without resolving individual galaxies)*

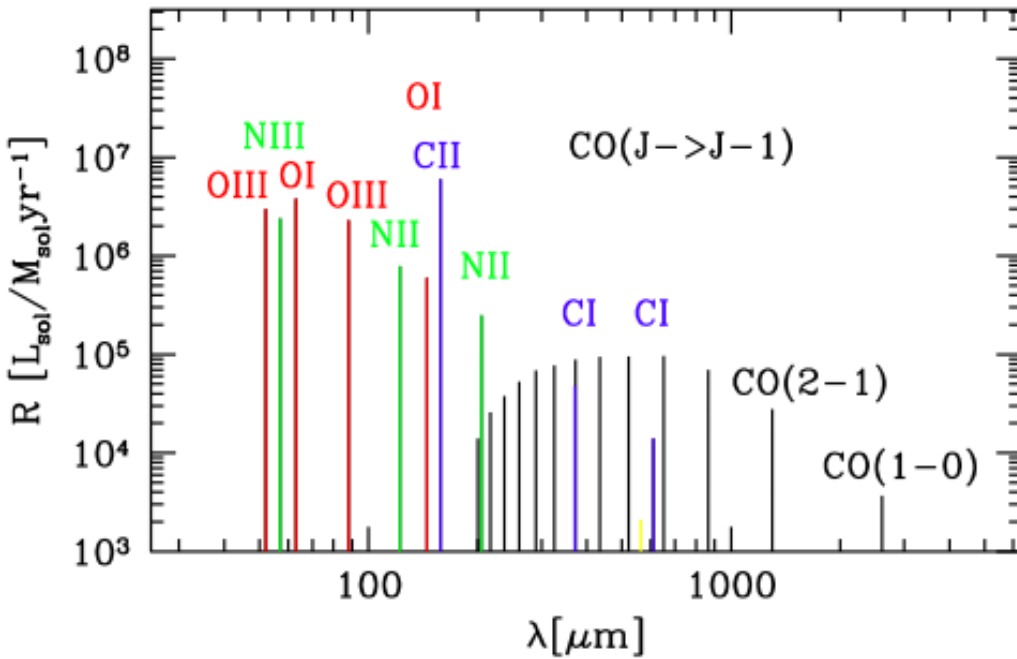


# Galaxy surveys, Intensity Mapping and 21-cm Mapping



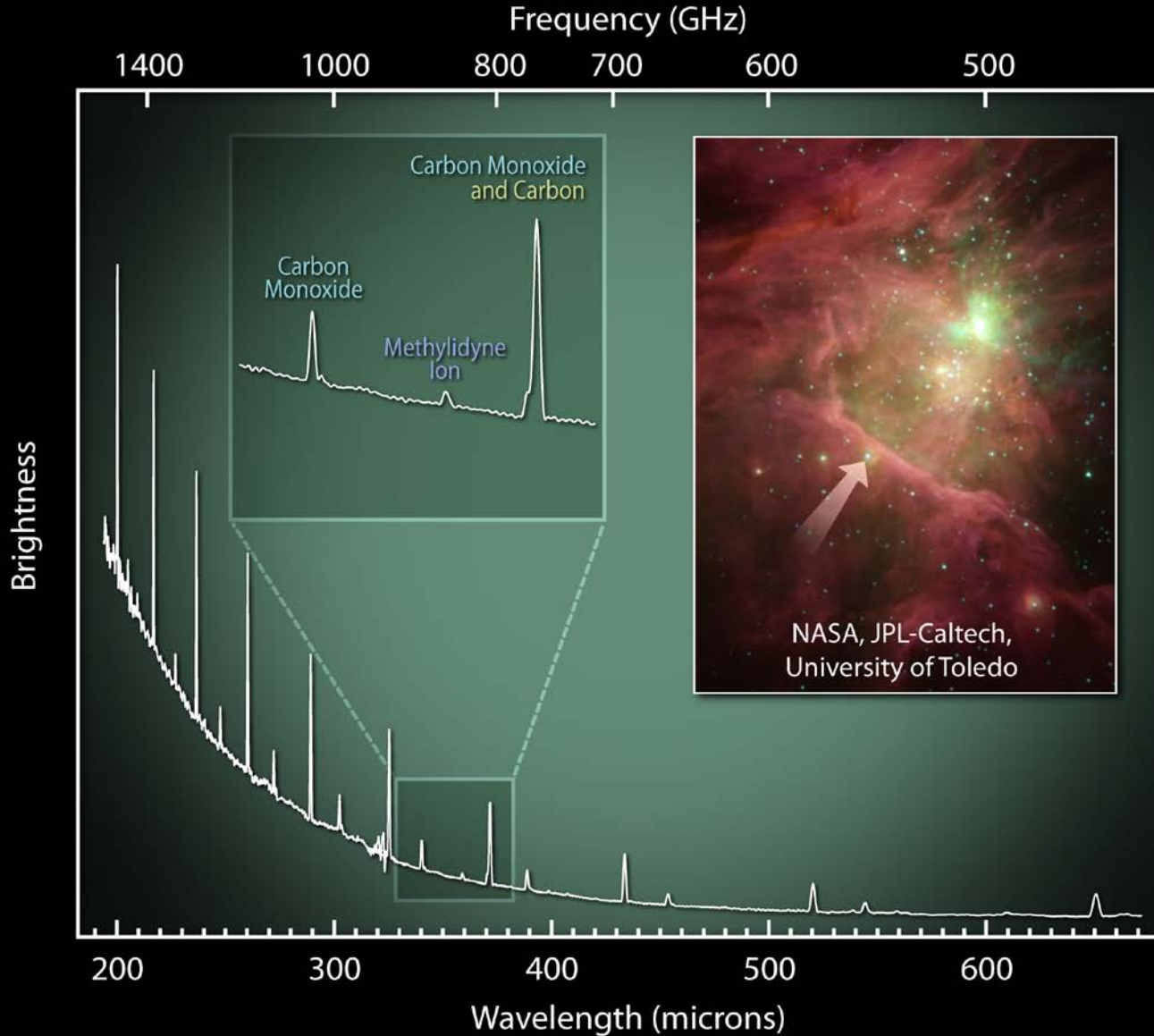


# Other Emission Lines from Galaxies



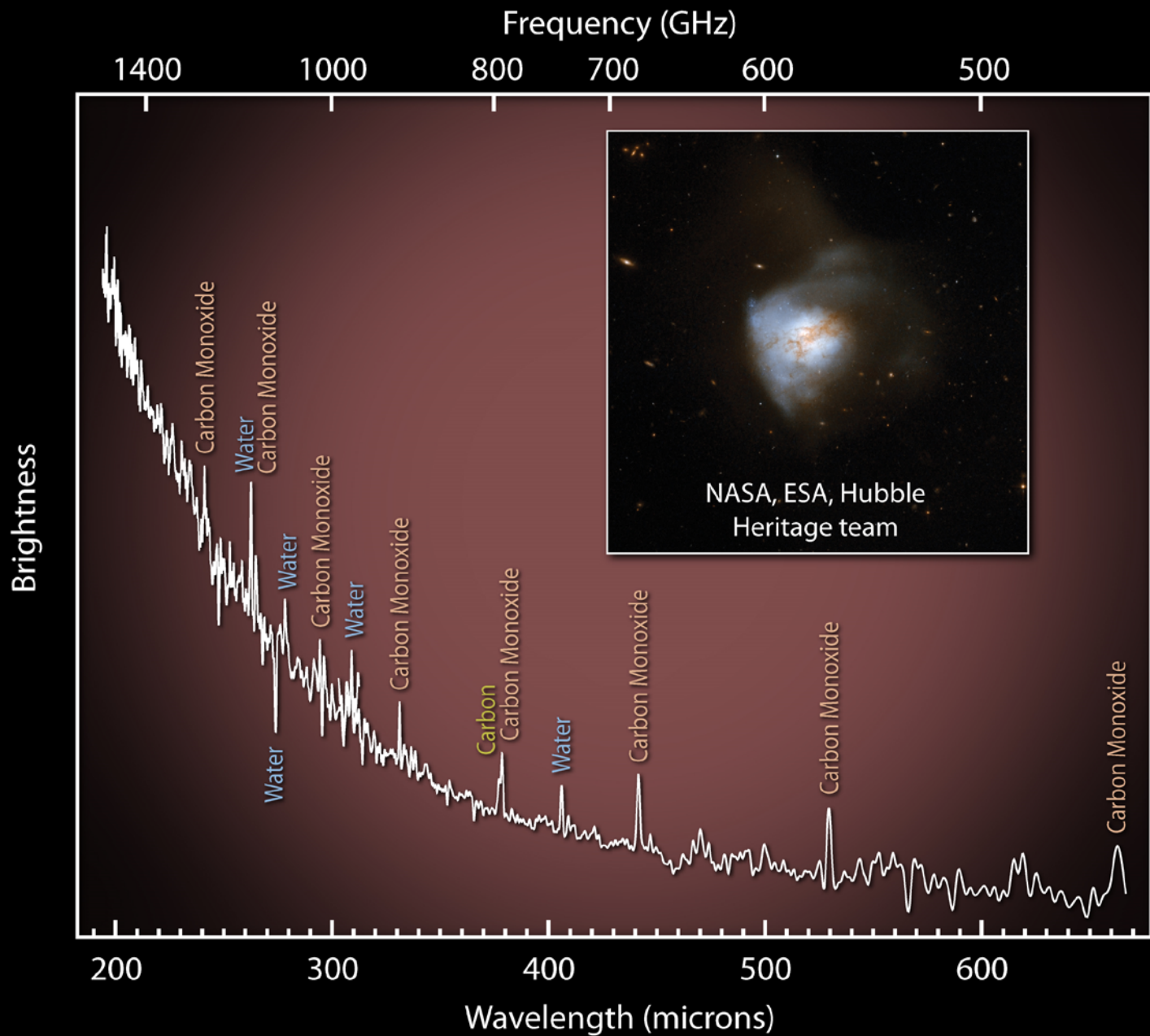
Species	Emission Wavelength [ $\mu\text{m}$ ]	$R[L_{\odot}/(M_{\odot}/\text{yr})]$
CII	158	$6.0 \times 10^6$
OI	145	$3.3 \times 10^5$
NII	122	$7.9 \times 10^5$
OIII	88	$2.3 \times 10^6$
OI	63	$3.8 \times 10^6$
NIII	57	$2.4 \times 10^6$
OIII	52	$3.0 \times 10^6$
$^{12}\text{CO}(1-0)$	2610	$3.7 \times 10^3$
$^{12}\text{CO}(2-1)$	1300	$2.8 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(3-2)$	866	$7.0 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(4-3)$	651	$9.7 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(5-4)$	521	$9.6 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(6-5)$	434	$9.5 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(7-6)$	372	$8.9 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(8-7)$	325	$7.7 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(9-8)$	289	$6.9 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(10-9)$	260	$5.3 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(11-10)$	237	$3.8 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(12-11)$	217	$2.6 \times 10^4$
$^{12}\text{CO}(13-12)$	200	$1.4 \times 10^4$
CI	610	$1.4 \times 10^4$
CI	371	$4.8 \times 10^4$
NII	205	$2.5 \times 10^5$
$^{13}\text{CO}(5-4)$	544	3900
$^{13}\text{CO}(7-6)$	389	3200
$^{13}\text{CO}(8-7)$	340	2700
HCN(6-5)	564	2100

# Herschel Spectra

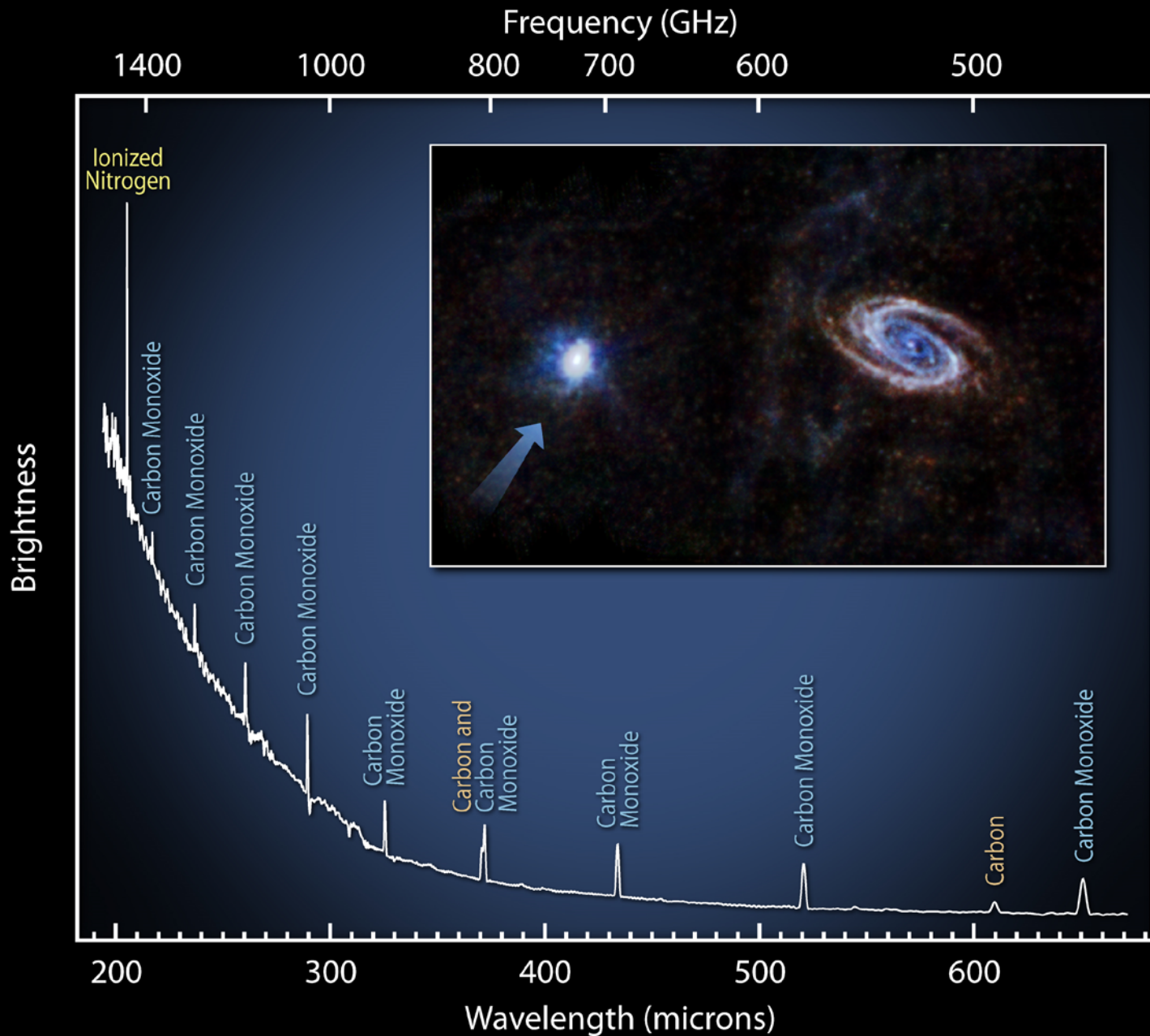


Orion Bar

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Arp 220



Messier 82

# Cross-Correlation of Different Lines Removes Contamination from Other Redshifts

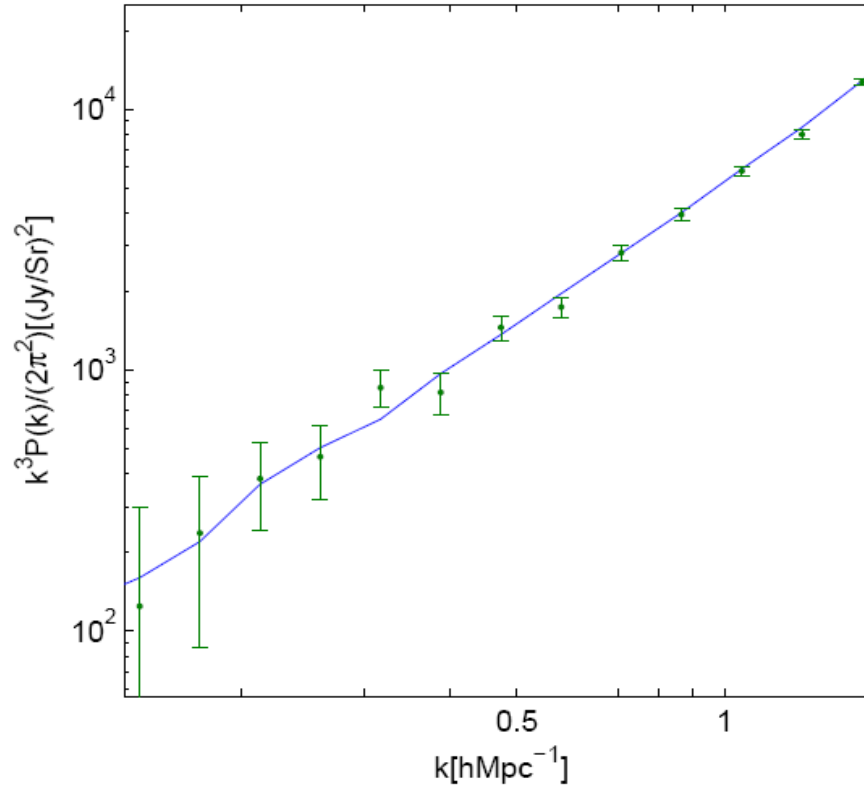


FIG. 4: The cross power spectrum of OI(63  $\mu\text{m}$ ) and OIII(52  $\mu\text{m}$ ) at  $z = 6$  measured from simulated data for our hypothetical instrument modeled after SPICA. The blue curve is the cross power spectrum measured when only line emission from galaxies in the target lines are included. The green points are the recovered power spectrum when detector noise, bad line emission, galaxy continuum emission, and bright astrophysical foreground and background emission (i.e. dust in our galaxy and the CMB) are included. The error bars are the theoretical prediction of the root mean square error derived in [1] and given by Eq. (7). In determining the error bars we have estimated  $P_{\text{total}}$  and  $P_{2\text{total}}$  using our simulated data. These errors include detector noise, bad line emission and sample variance.



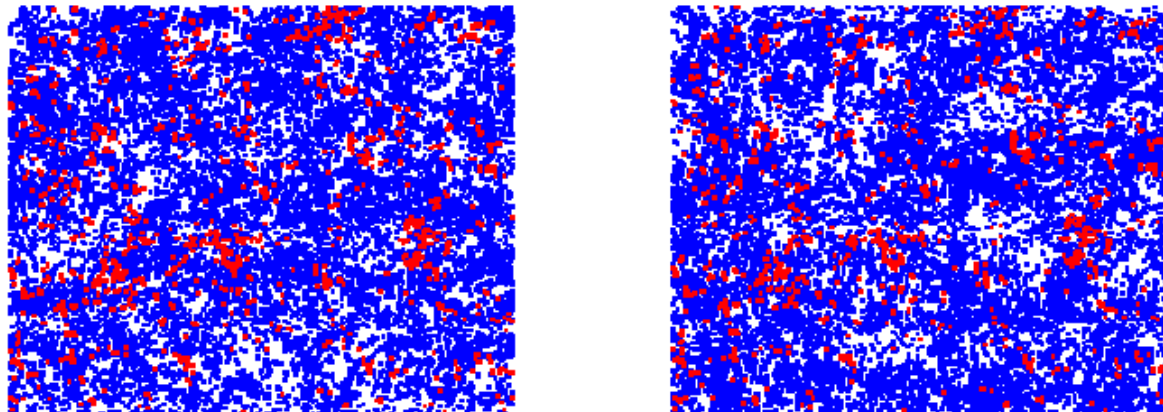


FIG. 1: A slice of our simulated realization of line emission from galaxies at  $441\mu\text{m}$  (left) and  $364\mu\text{m}$  (right). The slice is 250 comoving Mpc across and has a depth of  $\Delta\nu/\nu = 0.001$ . The colored squares indicate pixels in our SPICA example (presented below) which have line emission greater than  $2 \cdot 10^{-21} \text{erg/s/cm}^2/\text{Hz/Sr}$ . The emission from OI( $63\mu\text{m}$ ) and OIII( $52\mu\text{m}$ ) are shown as red in the left and right plots respectively. These lines come from the same galaxies at  $z = 6$ . All of the other lines in Table I are included and plotted in blue. If one cross correlates data at these two frequencies the emission in OI and OIII from  $z = 6$  will correlate, but the other emission is essentially uncorrelated.

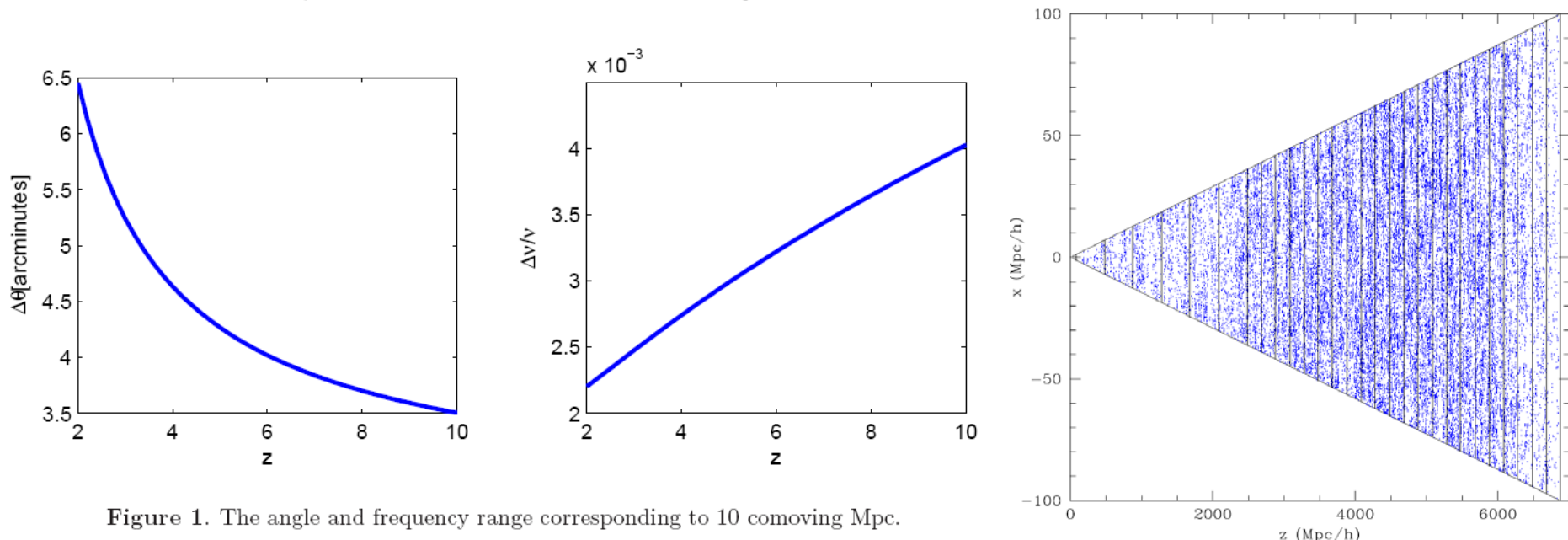
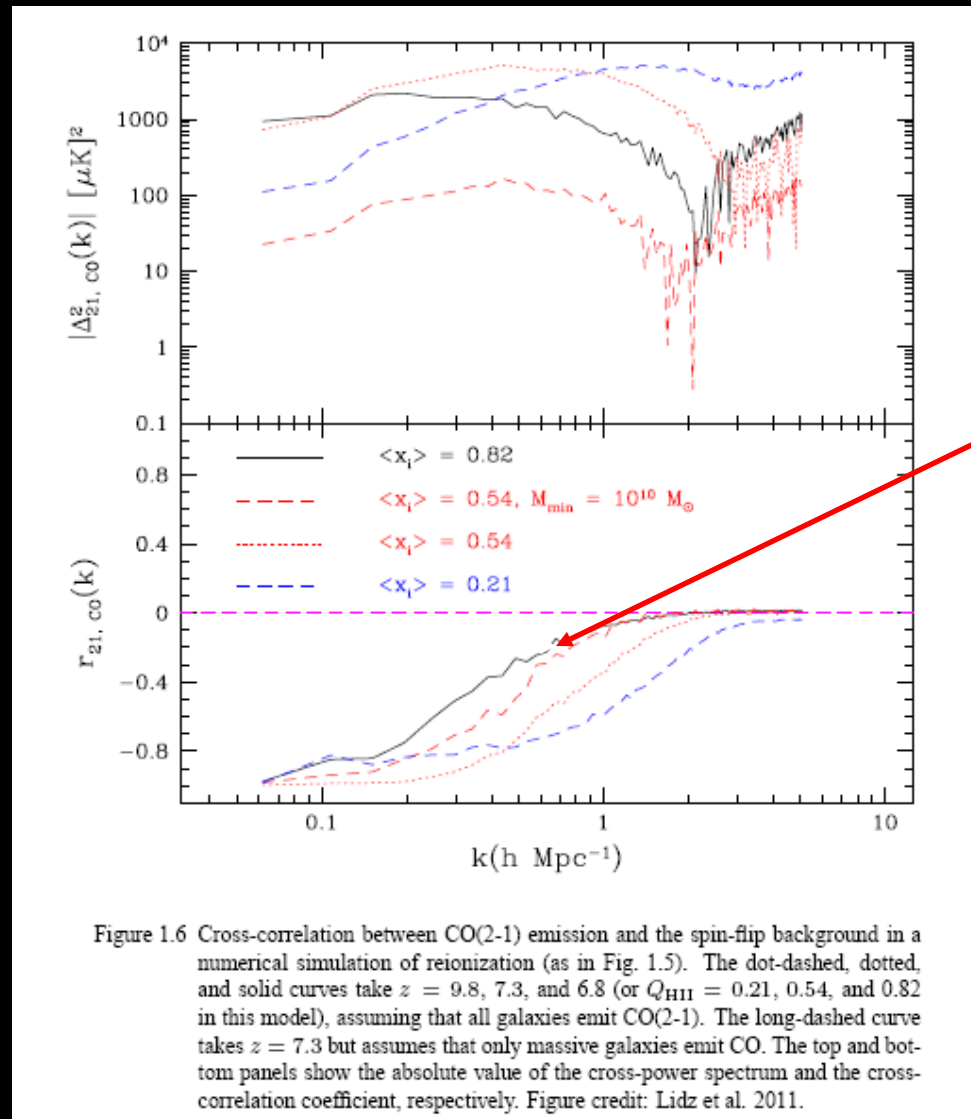


Figure 1. The angle and frequency range corresponding to 10 comoving Mpc.



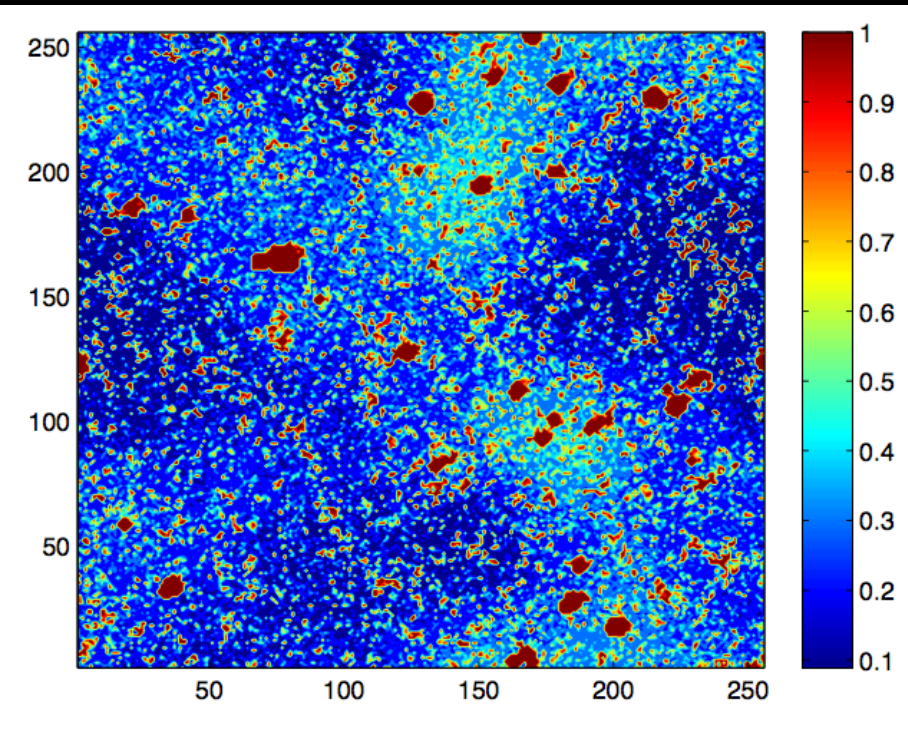
# Cross Correlating CO (galaxies) and 21-cm (HI)



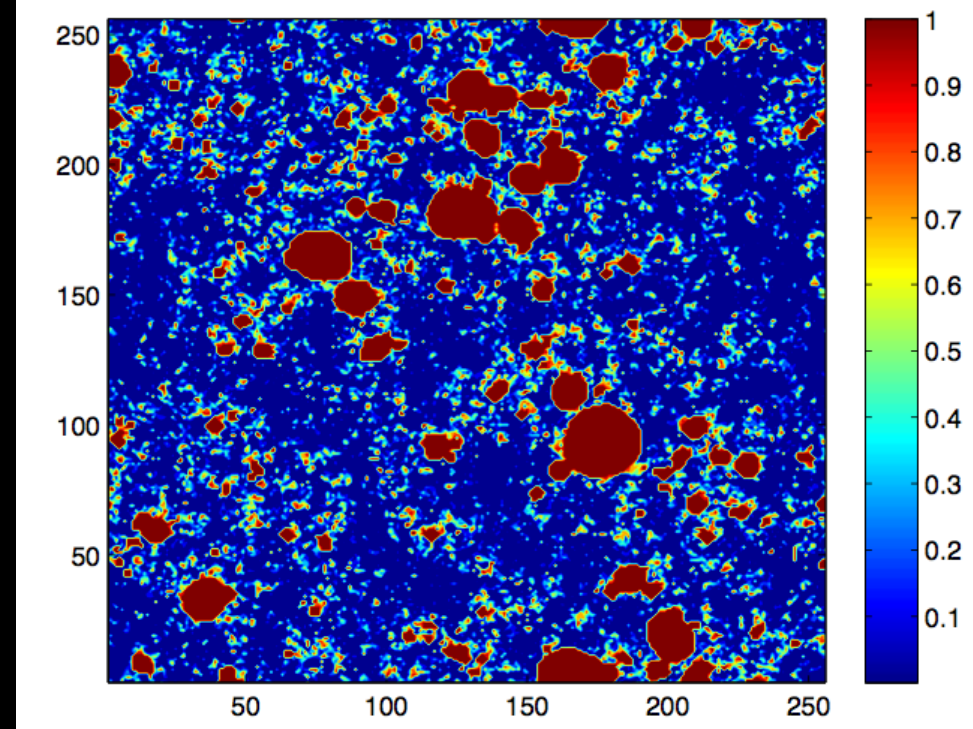
size of ionized  
bubble

Figure 1.6 Cross-correlation between CO(2-1) emission and the spin-flip background in a numerical simulation of reionization (as in Fig. 1.5). The dot-dashed, dotted, and solid curves take  $z = 9.8, 7.3,$  and  $6.8$  (or  $Q_{\text{HII}} = 0.21, 0.54,$  and  $0.82$  in this model), assuming that all galaxies emit CO(2-1). The long-dashed curve takes  $z = 7.3$  but assumes that only massive galaxies emit CO. The top and bottom panels show the absolute value of the cross-power spectrum and the cross-correlation coefficient, respectively. Figure credit: Lidz et al. 2011.

# Gauging the Contribution of X-ray Sources to Reionization from the kSZ Signal



*50% X-rays*



*no X-rays*

*Visbal & Loeb 2011*

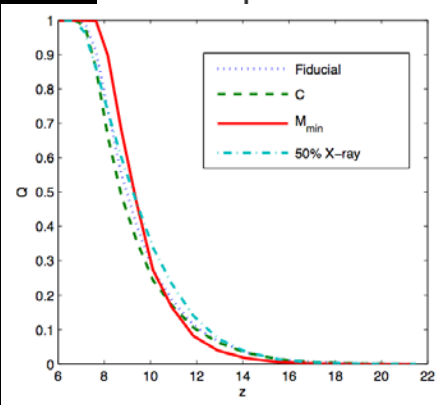
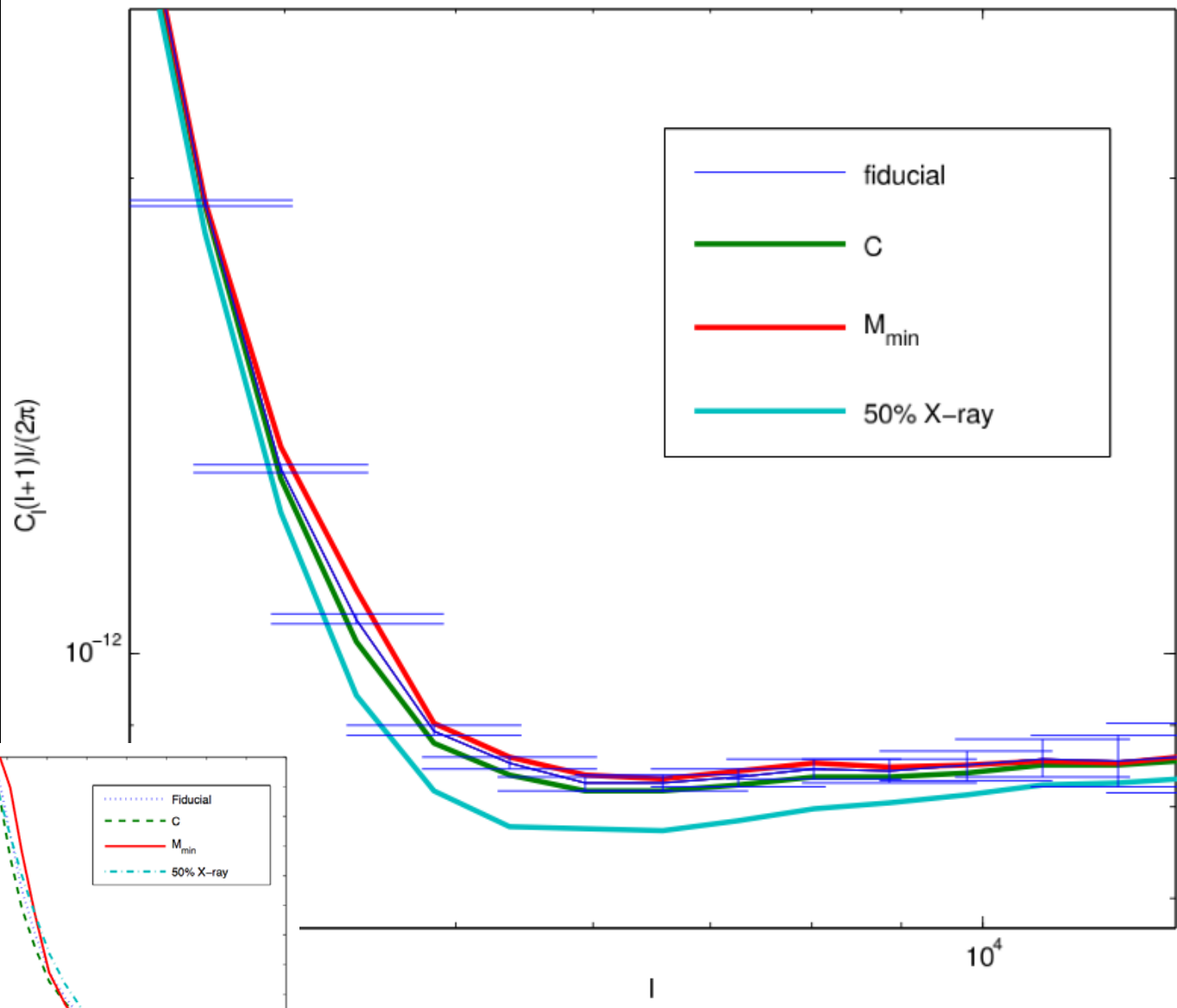
# *The Next Decade Promises to be Exciting!*

- *Large-aperture infrared telescopes and radio arrays will image galaxies and the diffuse cosmic gas during the epoch of reionization. 21-cm brightness fluctuations are expected to be anti-correlated with infrared galaxies during reionization and correlated after reionization.*
- *Adequate simulations of reionization are starting to employ sufficiently large ( $>100\text{Mpc}$ ) boxes with the necessary spatial resolution to properly identify the ionizing sources.*



# Open Problems

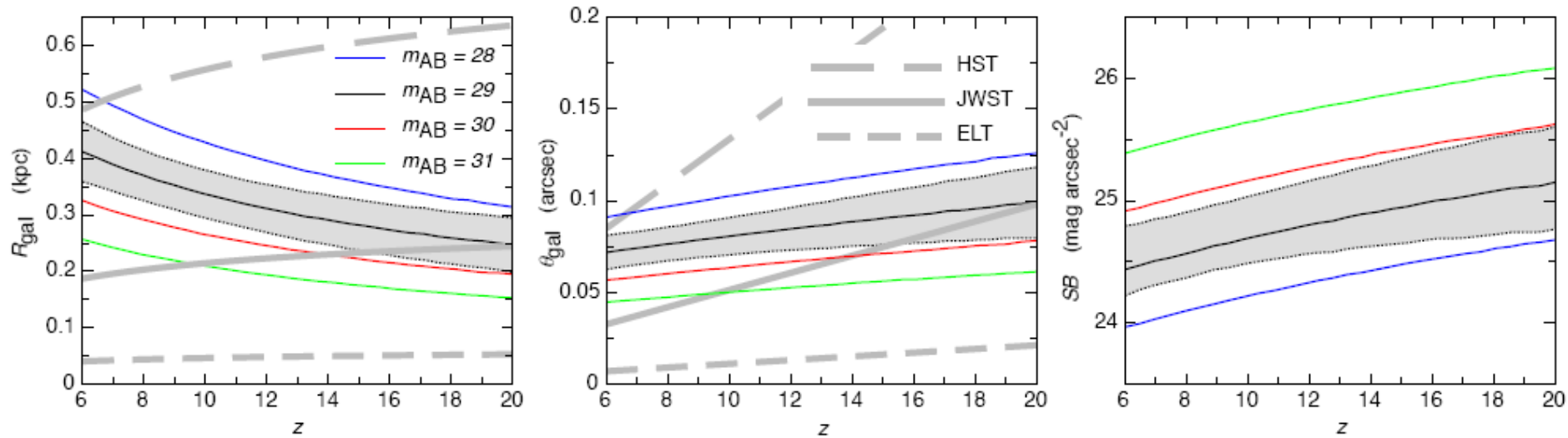
- *Did massive Pop-III stars contribute significantly to reionization and the 21-cm signal?*
- *Were the earliest X-ray sources dominated by IC cooling of SNe e- or High-Mass X-ray binaries or massive black holes? Simulations of inhomogeneous X-ray heating are needed.*
- *How important was the opacity and evaporation of minihalos below the gas cooling threshold? Simulations are needed.*
- *Are there radio-loud sources for detecting the 21-cm forest in absorption at  $z \sim 10$ ?*
- *Is there an efficient algorithm for removing foreground of the global signal (not throwing the baby with the bath-tub water). In particular, taking advance of the foreground dependence on sky coordinates.*
- *What are the prospects for observatories of the post-reionization signal to constrain  $w(z)$ ? None funded so far.*
- *What are the signatures of exotic heating sources: dark matter annihilation, cosmic strings, etc. ?*



*Forthcoming data from SPT, ACT*



# Will JWST Resolve Galaxies at $z \sim 10$ ?



*(Wyithe & Loeb 2010)*

## Spectroscopic confirmation of a galaxy at redshift $z = 8.6$

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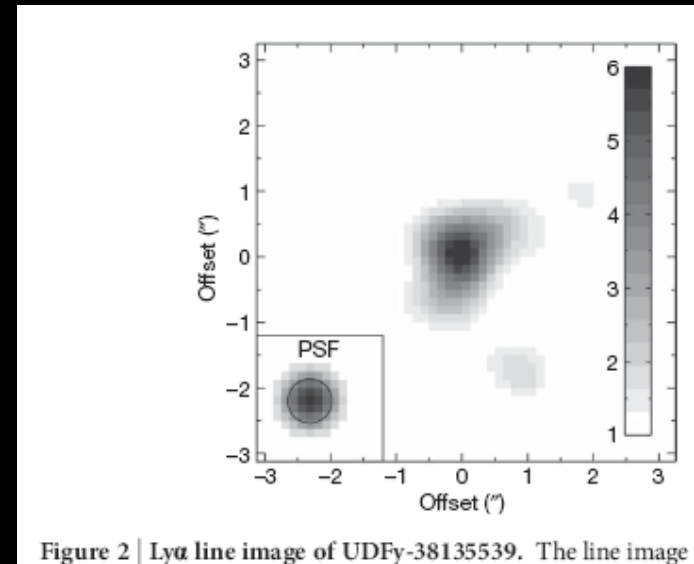
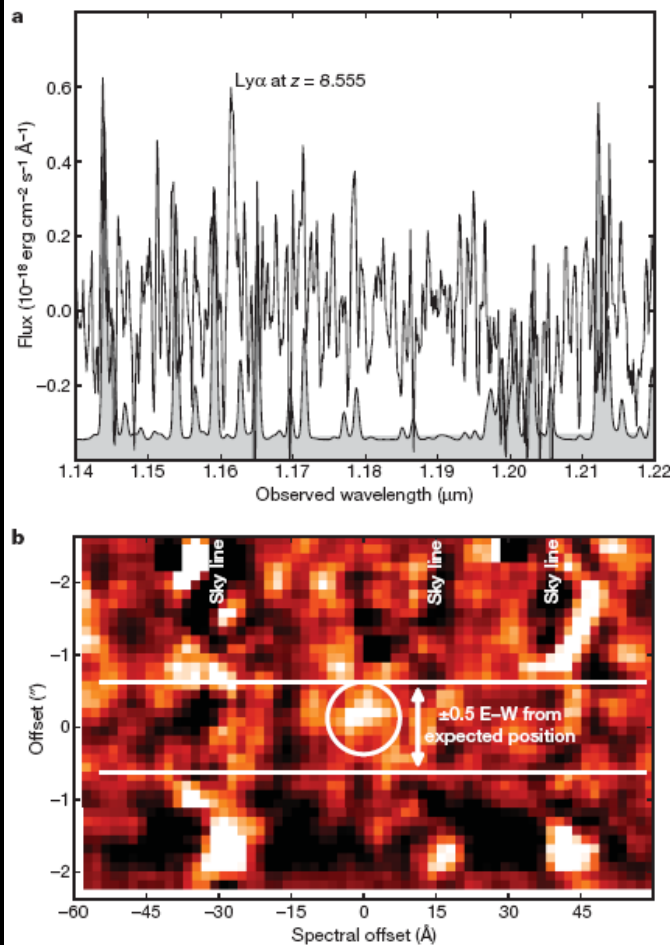
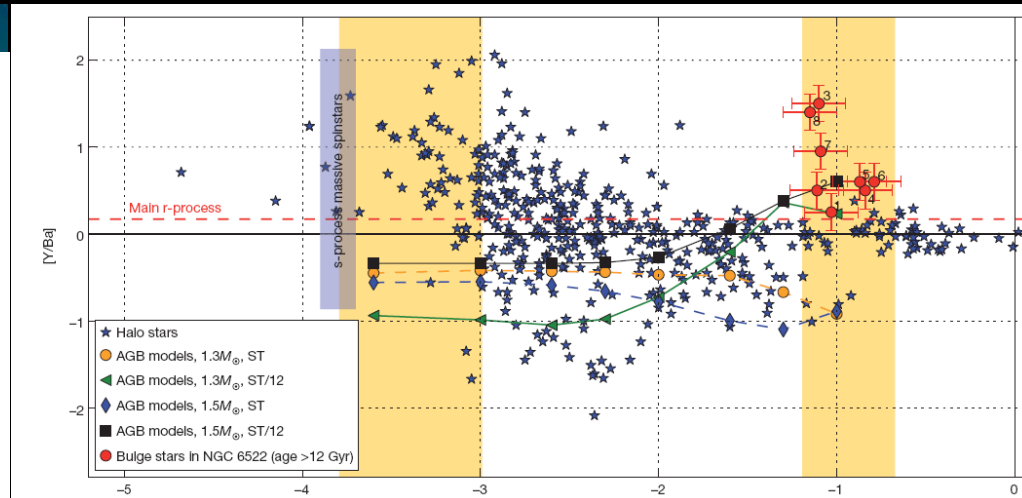
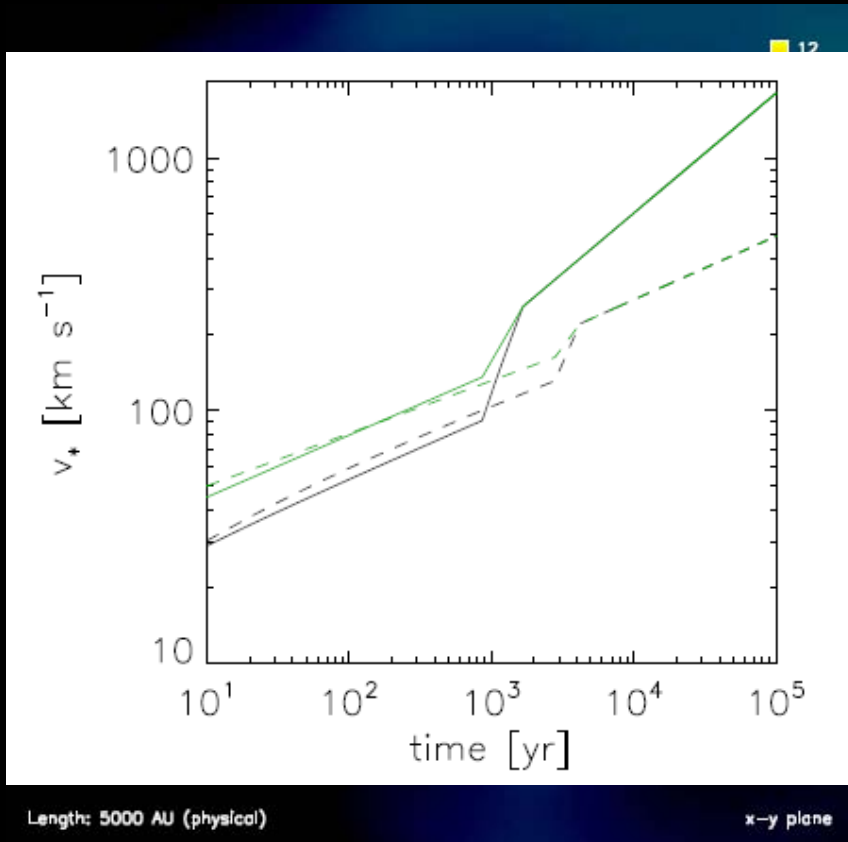


Figure 2 | Ly $\alpha$  line image of UDFy-38135539. The line image

Figure 1 | Two representations of the spectrum of UDFy-38135539 showing

# First Stars Had High Spin



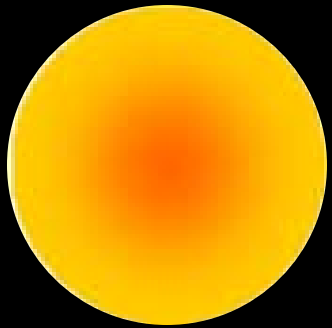
*Sr and Y abundance in eight ~12Gyr old stars in NGC 6522 require a rotation speed of ~500 km/s (slow neutron capture is 10,000 more effective than in non-rotating stars).*

**Implications: rotational mixing, GRBs**

*Stacy, Bromm, & Loeb (2010)*

*Chiappini et al., Nature (2011)*

# *Number of ionizing photons ( $>13.6\text{eV}$ ) per baryon incorporated into stars:*



*Massive, metal free stars*

$M > 300M_{\odot}$	$\sim 10^5$
$M > 100M_{\odot}$	$\sim 4 \times 10^4$

$$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 10^5 \text{ K}$$

$$L = L_E \propto M$$

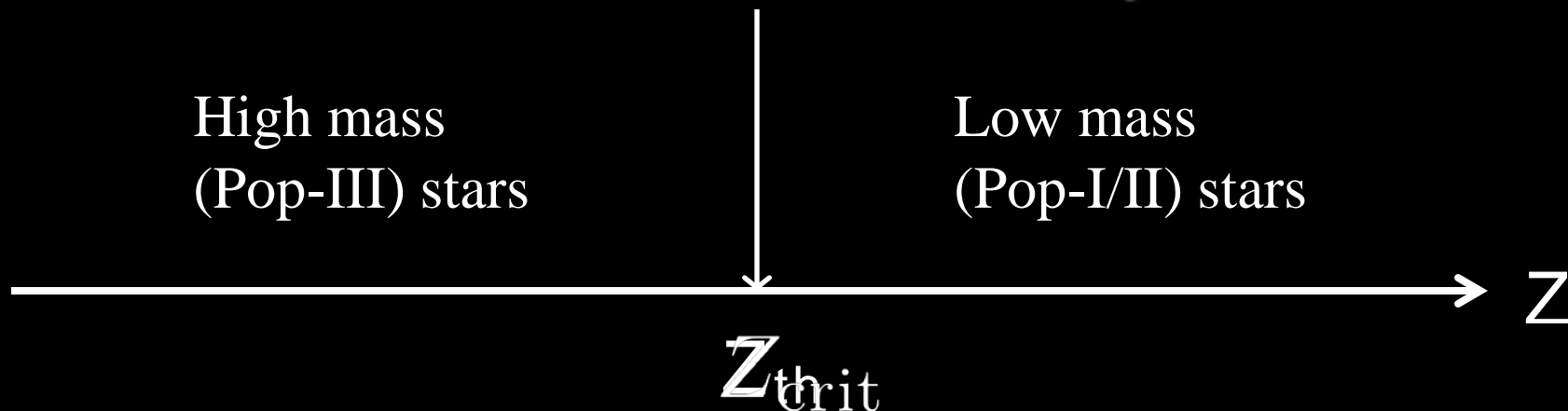
***Gain by up to a factor of ~30!***



*Salpeter mass function*

Metal free	$\sim 7 \times 10^3$
$Z = 0.01Z_{\odot}$	$\sim 3.5 \times 10^3$

# *Threshold Metallicity*



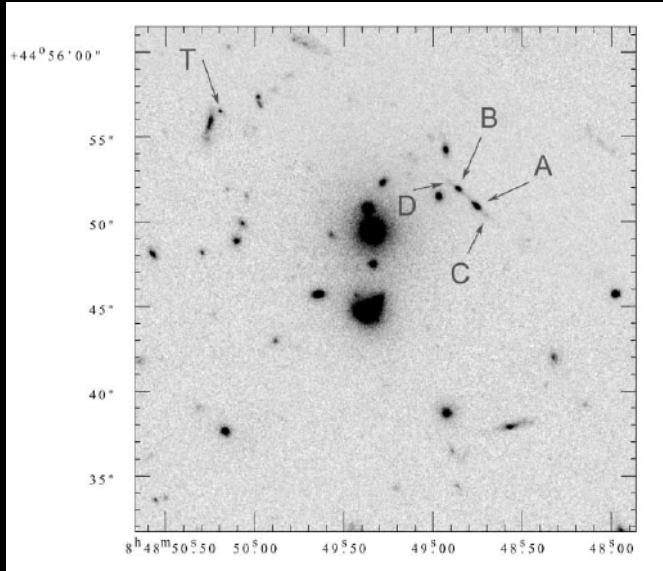
*Atomic cooling (CII, OI)  $\rightarrow$   $Z_{\text{crit}} \sim 10^{-3} Z_{\odot}$*

*Dust, molecules (CO)  $\rightarrow$   $Z_{\text{crit}} \sim 10^{-5} Z_{\odot}$*

**Milky-Way halo anemic stars:**  $Z_{\text{Fe}} \sim 10^{-5} Z_{\odot}$   
*but:*  $Z_{\text{C,O}} > 10^{-3} Z_{\odot}$

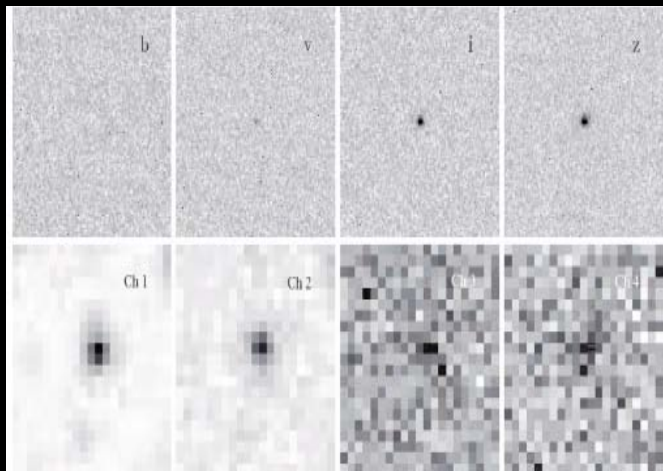
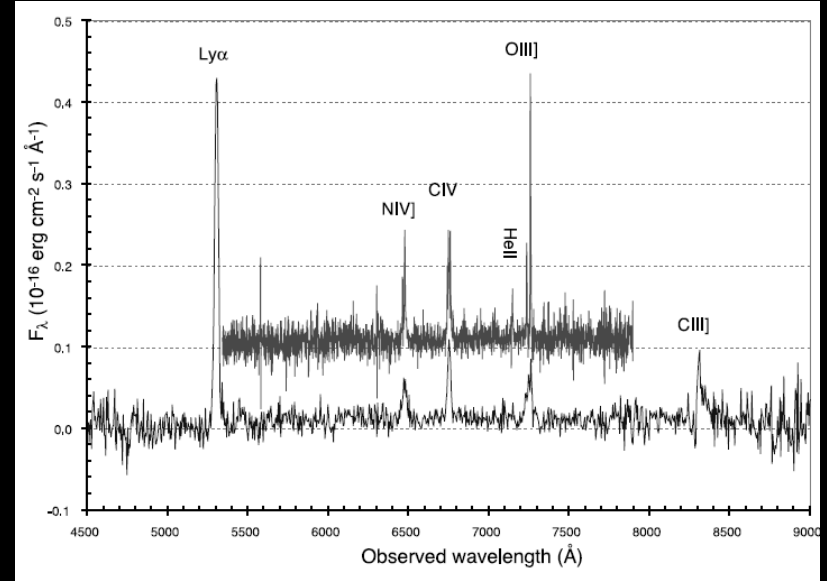
# Low-Metallicity H II Regions with a $\sim 10^5$ K Ionizing Continuum

## Ionizing Continuum



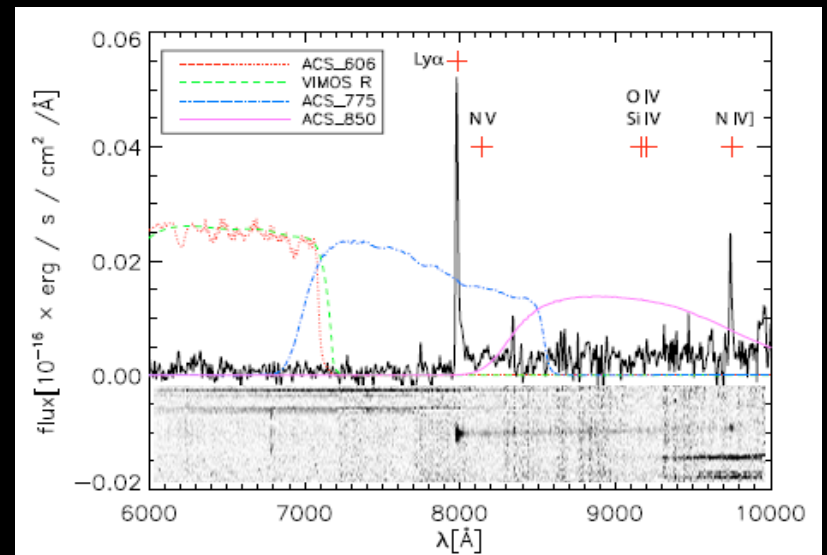
$z=3.357$

*Fosbury et al.*  
(2003)



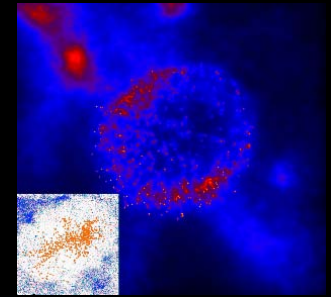
$z=5.563$

*Raiter et al.*  
(2003)

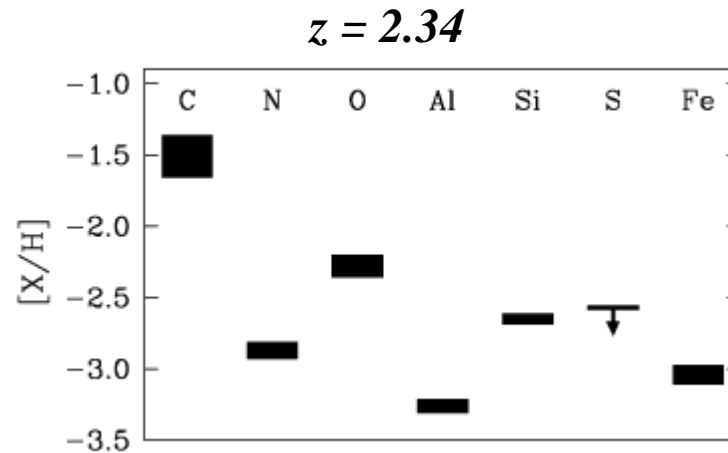




# → Enrichment of Primordial Gas with Heavy Elements was Highly Inhomogeneous



*early enrichment*



*early enrichment*

*early Pop-III*

*late Pop-III*

*early Pop-III*

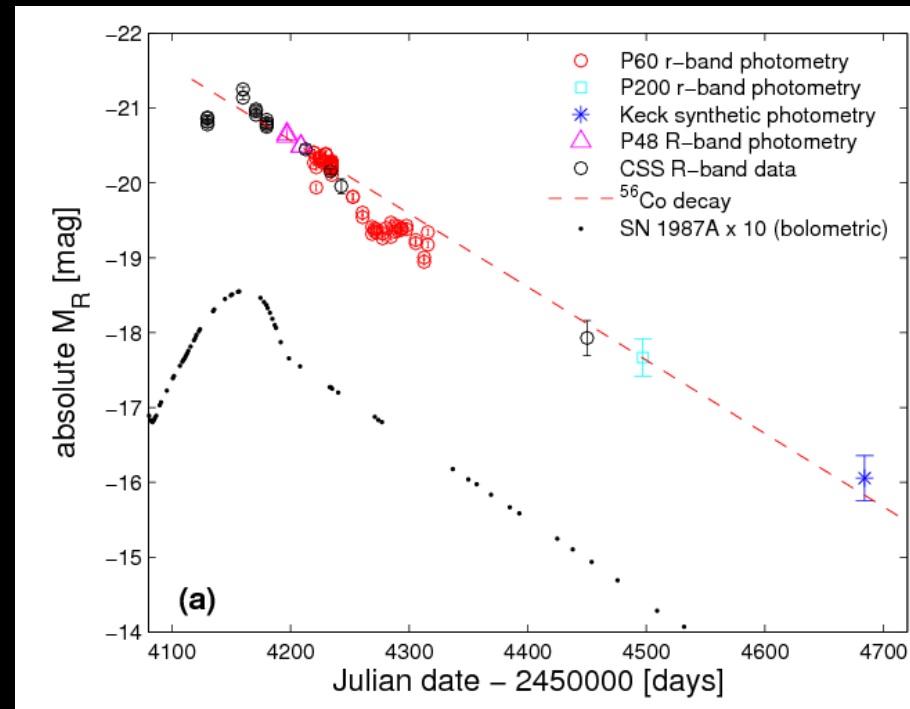
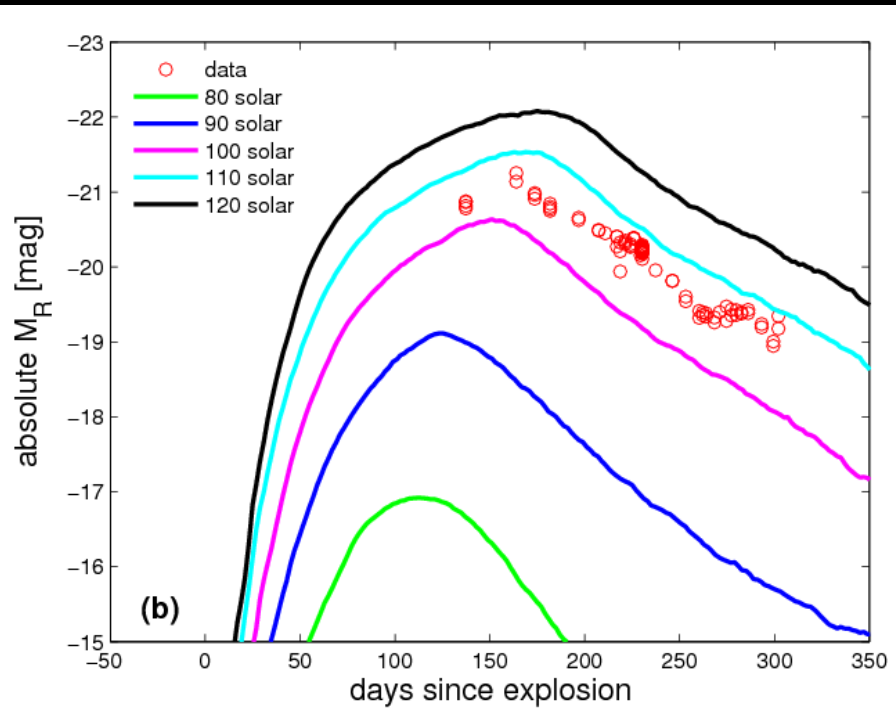
**A carbon-enhanced metal-poor damped Ly $\alpha$  system:  
Probing gas from Population III nucleosynthesis?\***

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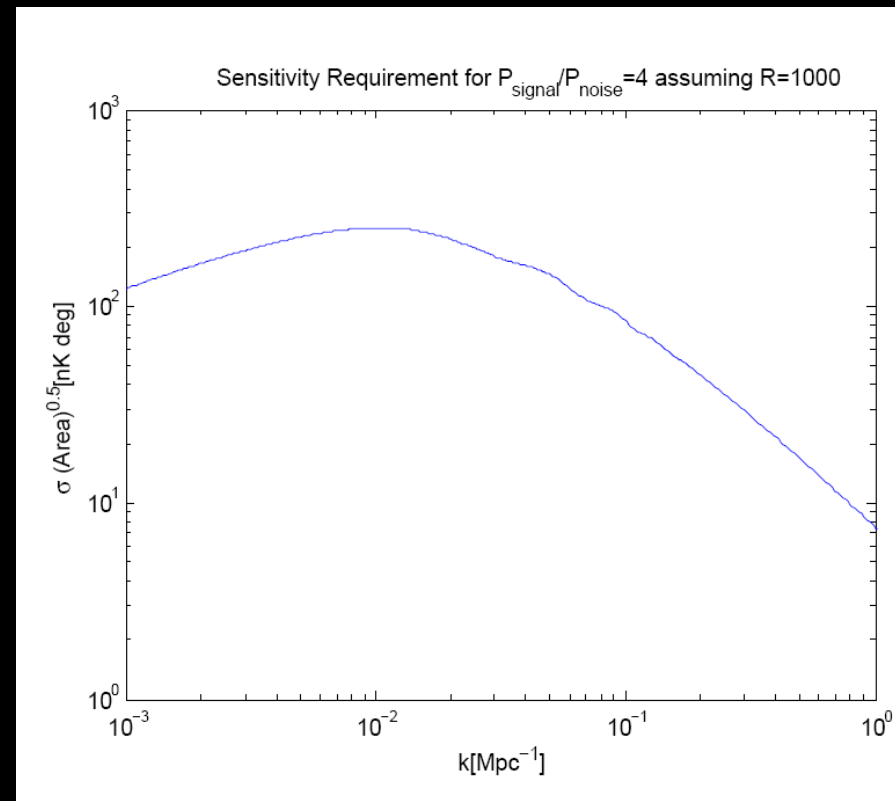
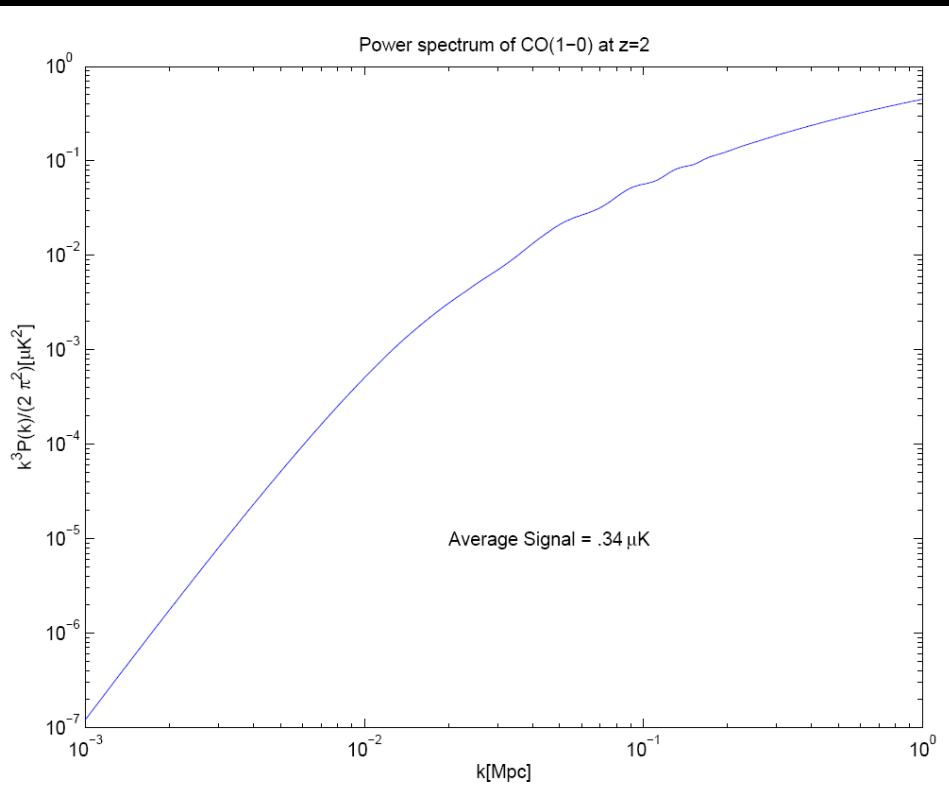
# SN 2007bi – a Pair Instability Supernova in a Nearby Metal-Poor Dwarf Galaxy



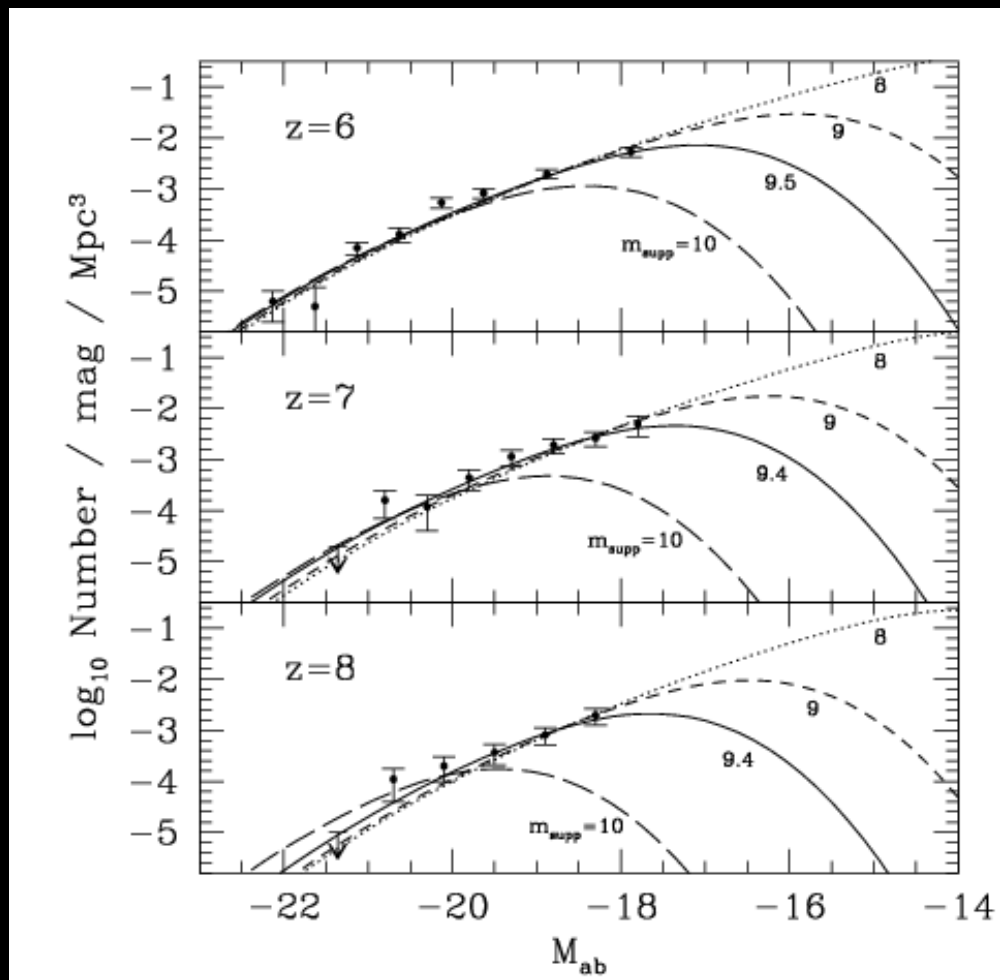
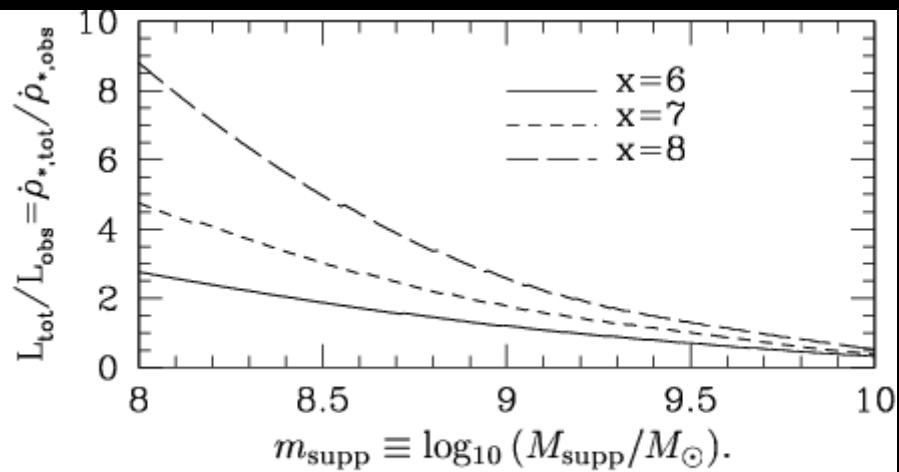
- Nickel mass of  $\sim 4-7 M_{\odot}$  (ejecta mass of  $100 M_{\odot}$ ); kinetic energy of  $\sim 10^{51}$  erg
- Dwarf galaxy at  $z=0.128$  with  $M_B=-16.3$  mag, and  $12+[O/H]=8.25$

*Gal-Yam et al., Nature (arXiv:1001.1156)*

# Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations from CO(1-0,2-1) Intensity Mapping at $z \sim 2$



# Minimum Halo Mass of Galaxies



Munoz & Loeb, arXiv:1010.2260

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WMAP Cosmological Parameters

Model:  $\Lambda$ cdm

Data: all

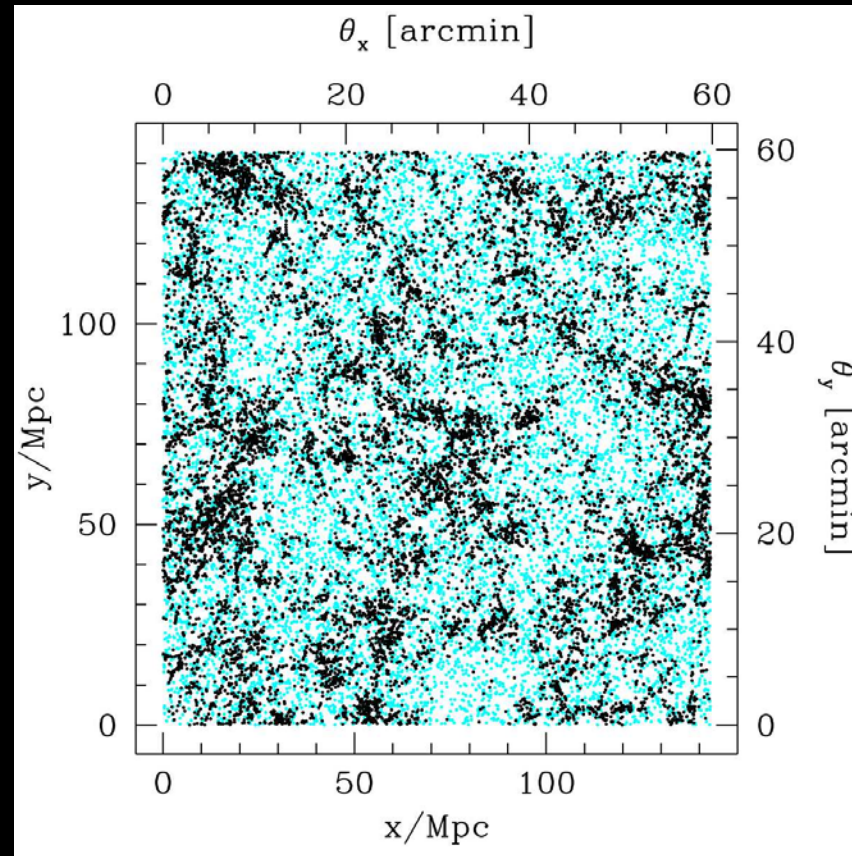
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$10^2 \Omega_b h^2$	=	$2.19^{+0.06}_{-0.08}$
$A$	=	$0.67^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$
$A_{0.002}$	=	$0.81^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$
$\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2$	=	$(20 \times 10^{-10} \pm 1 \times 10^{-10}) \times 10^{-10}$
$\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2(k = 0.002/\text{Mpc})$	=	$(24 \times 10^{-10} {}^{+1 \times 10^{-10}}_{-2 \times 10^{-10}}) \times 10^{-10}$
$h$	=	$0.71^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$
$H_0$	=	$71^{+1}_{-2}$ km/s/Mpc
$\ell_A$	=	$303.0^{+0.9}_{-1.3}$
$n_s$	=	$0.938^{+0.013}_{-0.018}$
$n_s(0.002)$	=	$0.938^{+0.012}_{-0.023}$
$\Omega_b$	=	$0.044^{+0.002}_{-0.003}$
$\Omega_b h^2$	=	$0.0220^{+0.0006}_{-0.0008}$
$\Omega_c$	=	$0.22^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$
$\Omega_\Lambda$	=	$0.74 \pm 0.02$
$\Omega_m$	=	$0.26^{+0.01}_{-0.03}$
$\Omega_m h^2$	=	$0.131^{+0.004}_{-0.010}$
$r_s$	=	$148^{+1}_{-2}$ Mpc
$b_{\text{SDSS}}$	=	$0.95^{+0.05}_{-0.06}$
$\sigma_8$	=	$0.75^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$
$\sigma_8 \Omega_m^{0.6}$	=	$0.34^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$
$A_{\text{SZ}}$	=	$0.78^{+0.23}_{-0.78}$
$t_0$	=	$13.8^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$ Gyr
$\tau$	=	$0.069^{+0.026}_{-0.029}$
$\theta_A$	=	$0.594 \pm 0.002$ °
$z_{\text{eq}}$	=	$3135^{+85}_{-159}$
$z_r$	=	$9.3^{+2.8}_{-2.0}$

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*The initial conditions of the Universe can be summarized on a single sheet of paper...*

# 100 Mpc structure in the simulated distribution of galaxies at $z=6$



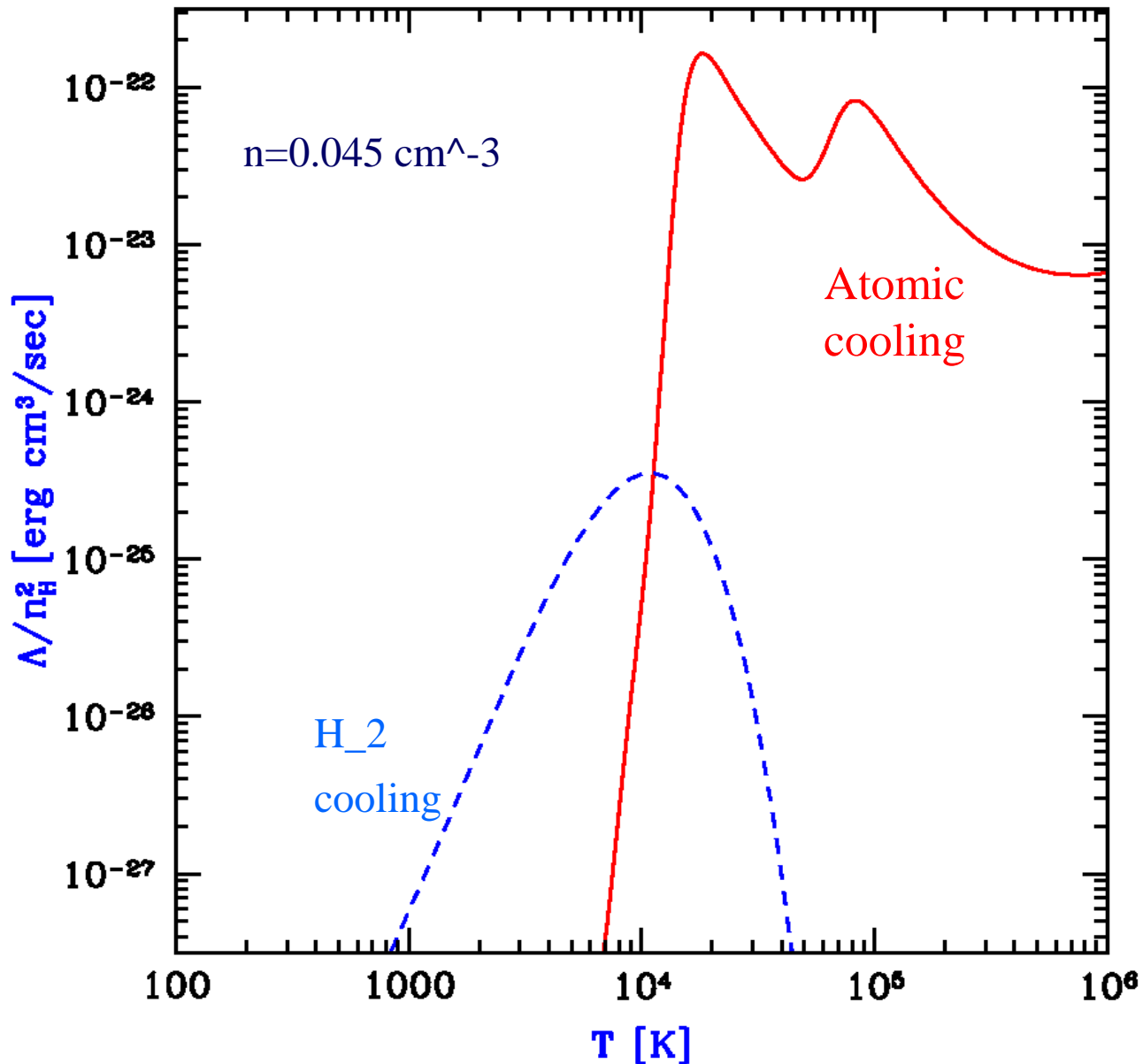
*Munoz, Trac, & Loeb 2009*



# *Imprints of inhomogeneous reionization:*

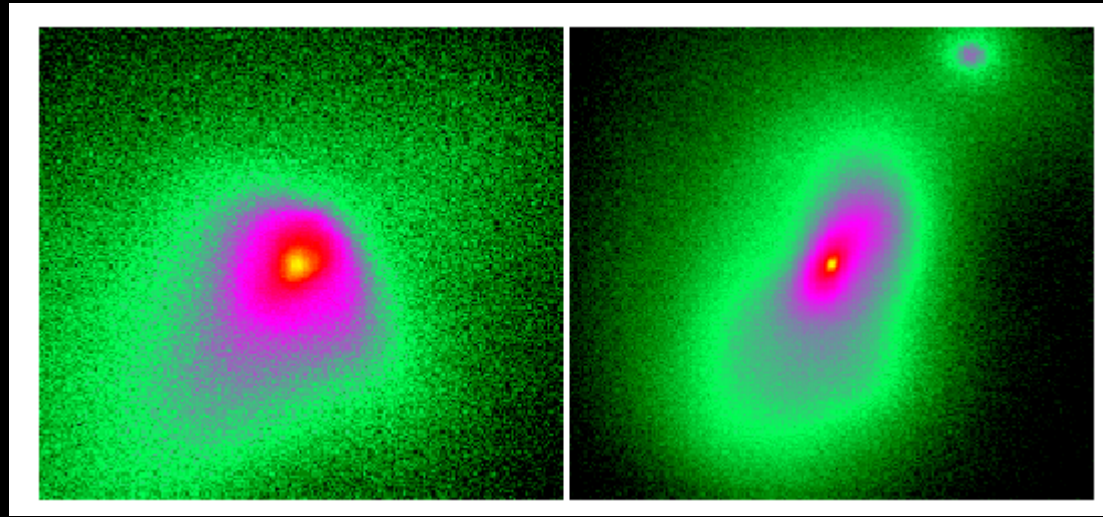
- The minimum virial temperature of galaxies was increased up to  $\sim 100,000\text{K}$  inside ionized regions
- Change in the clustering of galaxies (Babich & Loeb 2006; Wyithe & Loeb 2007) and the star formation rate density (Barkana & Loeb 2000)

# Cooling Rate of Primordial Gas



# Massive Accretion by Pop-III Proto-Stars

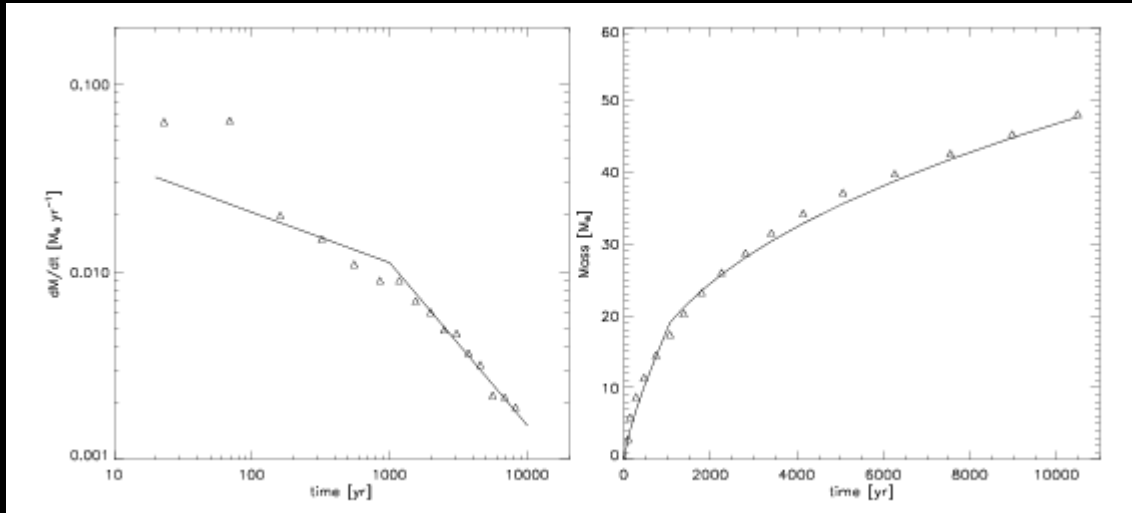
*Resolving  
accretion  
flow down  
to  $\sim 0.03$  pc*



*Bromm & Loeb,  
astro-ph/0312456*

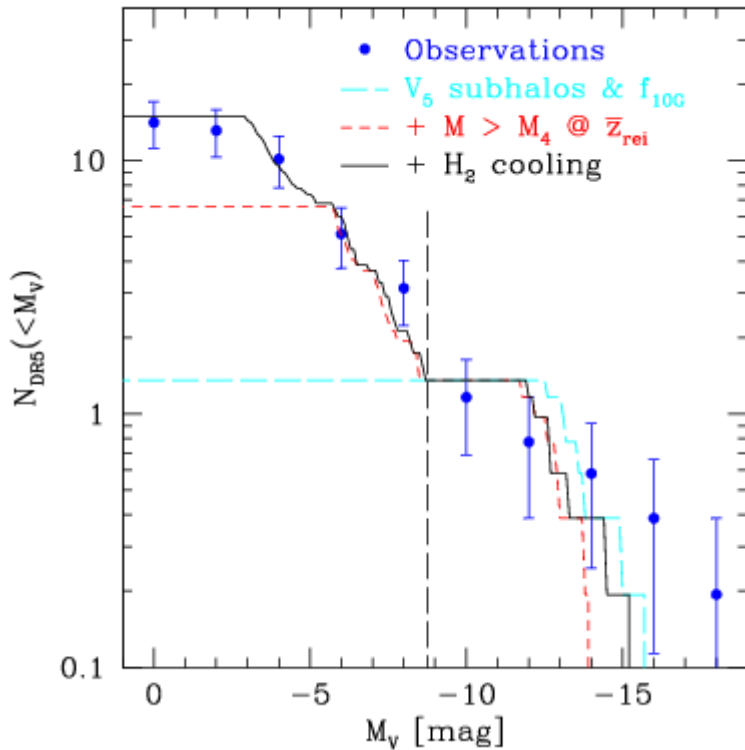
*23.5pc*

*0.5pc*



*Final stellar mass is feedback limited (radiation, wind)*

# Probing Reionization with MW Satellites



**Figure 1.** The luminosity function (LF) of MW satellites in the SDSS footprint with the DR5 selection threshold. The observed function is shown by the blue points with the non-SDSS objects each contributing a fractional amount  $f_{\text{DR5}} = 0.194$  to the total. The curves show the theoretical predictions including successively more elaborate models. The model given by the long-dashed, cyan curve illuminates only those VLII subhalos with maximum circular velocities that exceed  $V_5$  at some point in their histories and continue to form stars after reionization via atomic hydrogen cooling (with an efficiency of  $f_5 = 0.02$ ) and metal cooling in the last 10 Gyr ( $f_{10G} \neq 0$ ). The short-dashed, red curve includes star formation in subhalo progenitors more massive than  $M_4$  at  $\bar{z}_{\text{rei}} = 11.2$  assuming a single redshift of reionization for the entire MWgfr and  $f_{\text{H1,ex}} = 0.02$ . The solid, black curve fitting the faint end of the observed LF additionally takes into account molecular hydrogen cooling, prior to suppression at  $z_{\text{H2}} = 23.1$ , in progenitors more massive than  $M_{\text{H2}} = 10^5 M_{\odot}$  with  $f_{\text{H2}} = 0.4$ . The long-dashed vertical line demarcates the luminosities at which pre- vs. post-SDSS satellites are observed.

- **Via-Lactae II:** dark matter simulation of the MW halo merger tree
- **Resolution to “missing satellite problem”:** photo-ionization heating and molecular hydrogen suppression

# Primary challenge: foregrounds

- Terrestrial: radio broadcasting
- Galactic synchrotron emission
- Extragalactic: radio sources

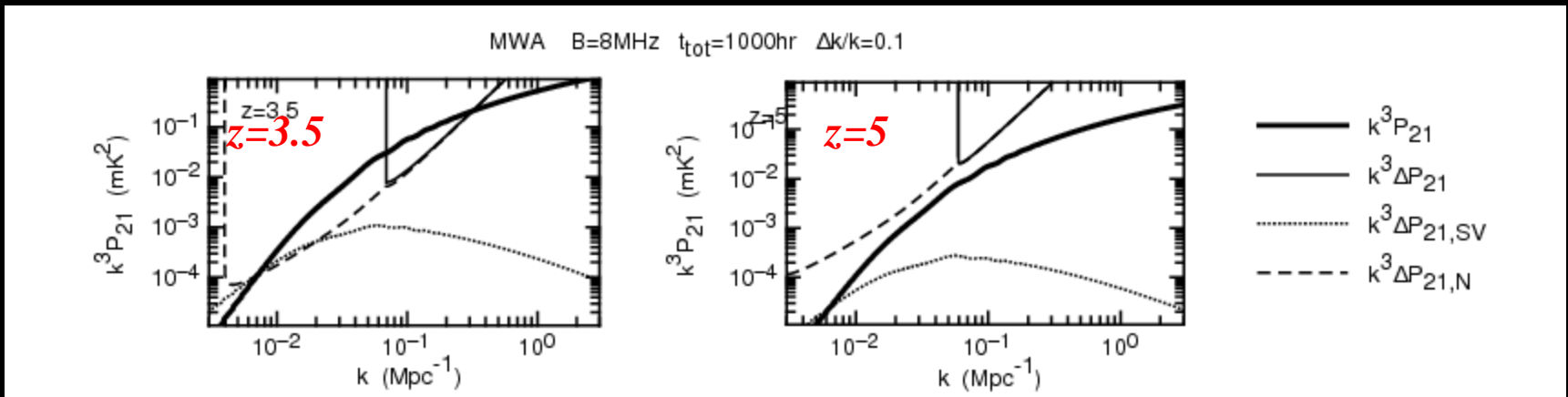
*Although the sky brightness ( $>10\text{K}$ ) is much larger than the 21cm signal ( $<10\text{mK}$ ), the foregrounds have a smooth frequency dependence while the signal fluctuates rapidly across small shifts in frequency (=redshift). Theoretical estimates indicate that the 21cm signal is detectable with the forthcoming generation of low-frequency arrays (Zaldarriaga et al. astro-ph/0311514; Morales & Hewitt astro-ph/0312437)*

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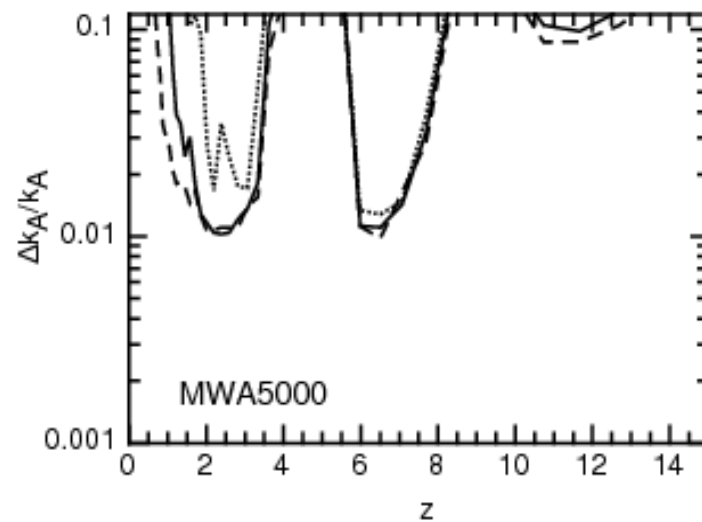
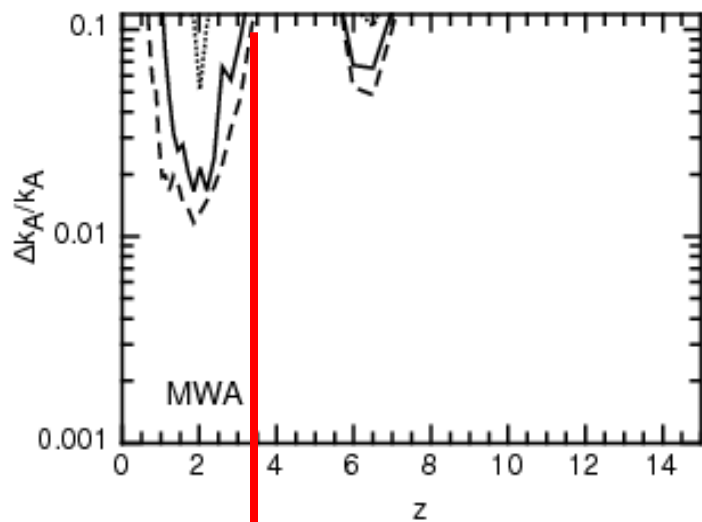
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# Acoustic Oscillations

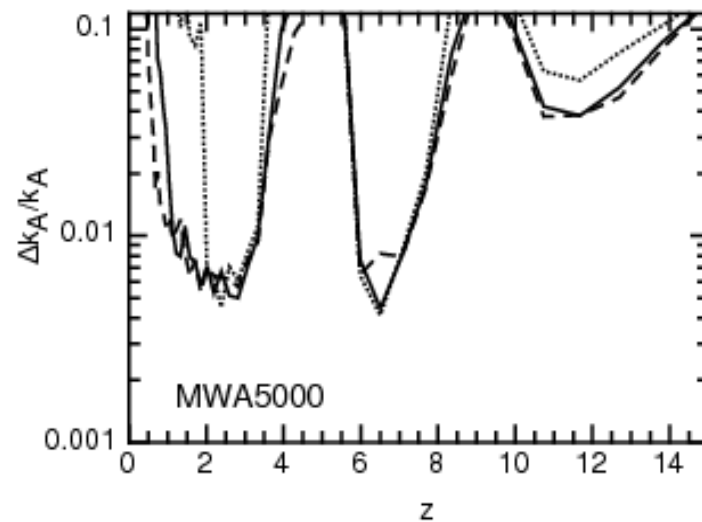
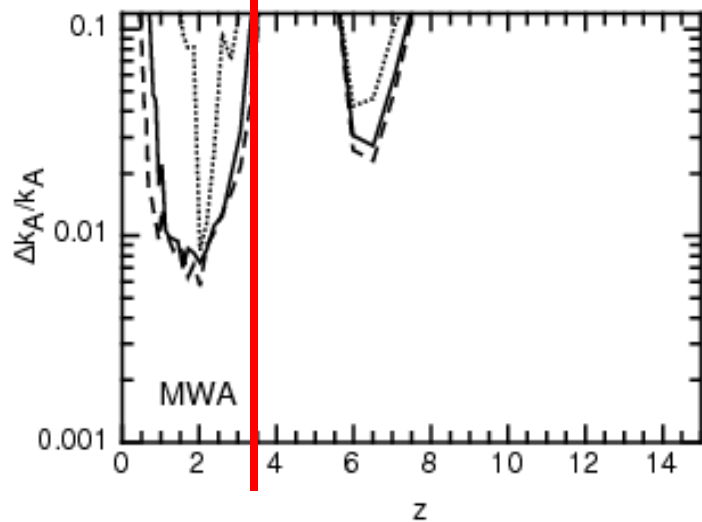
Wyithe, Loeb & Geil

1 field x 1000 hrs



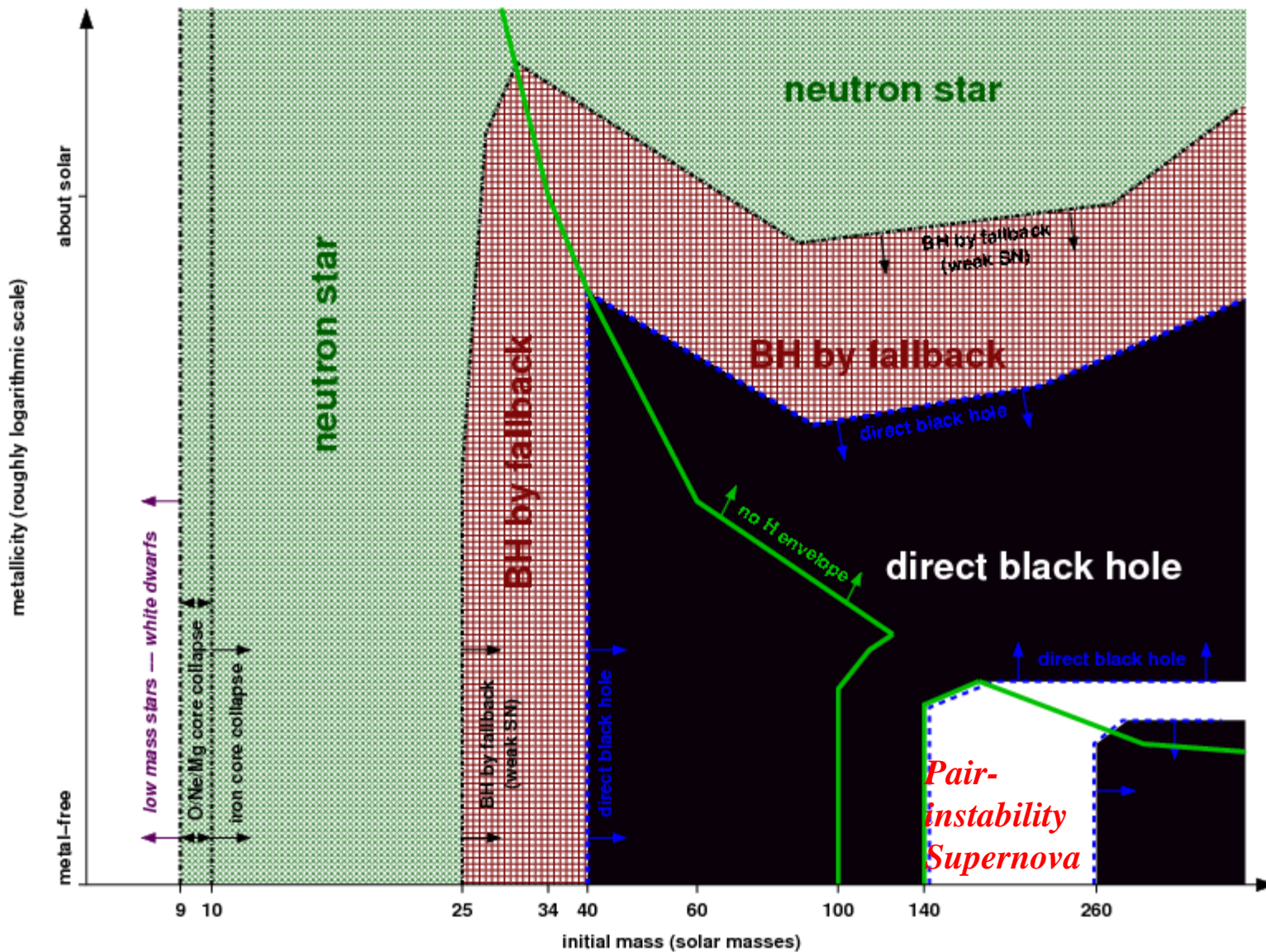
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—— 8 MHz  
- - - 12 MHz

3 fields x 1000 hrs

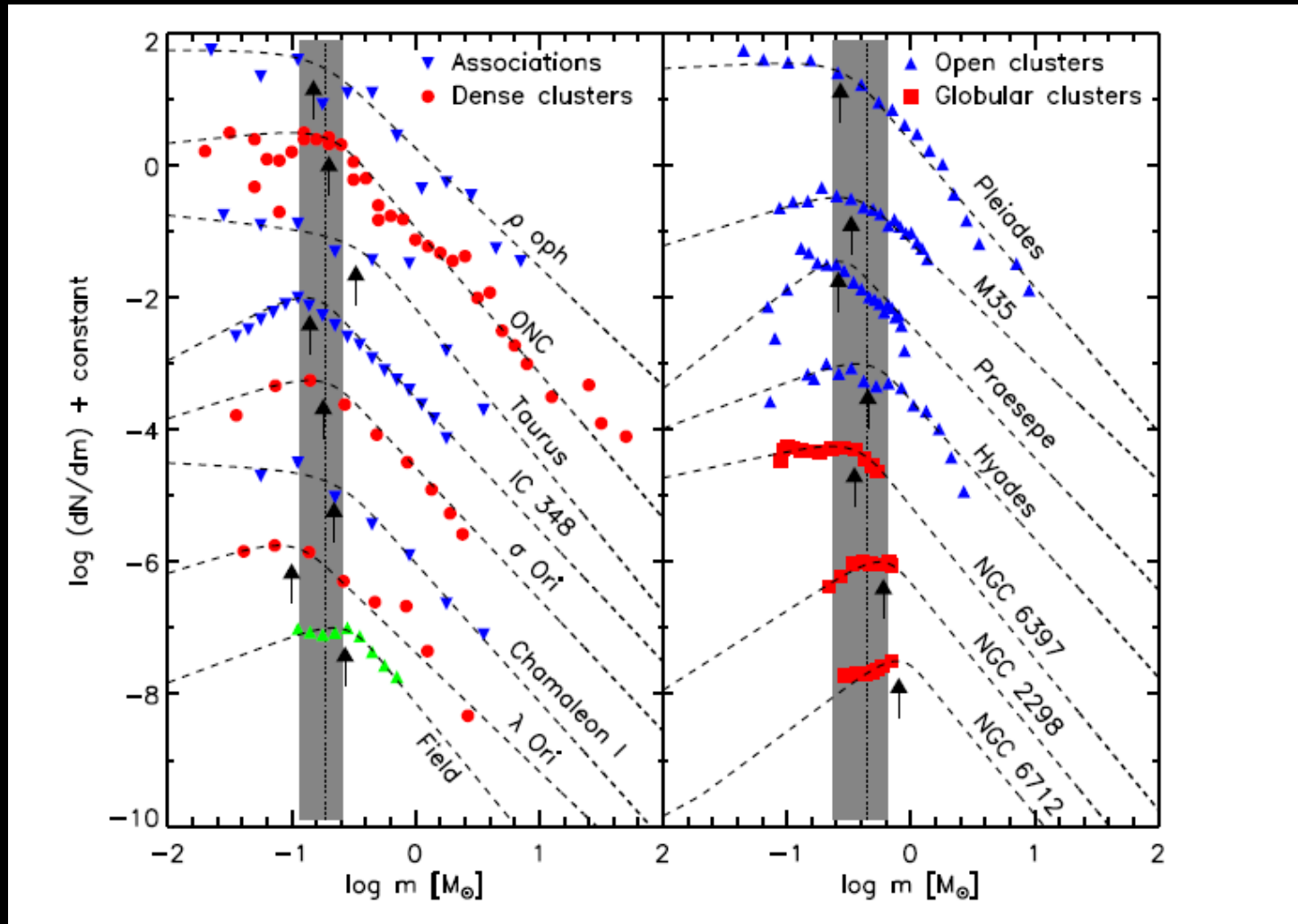


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# How do massive stars end their life?



# The Initial Mass Function of Stars Populations I/II



*Bastian  
et al.  
(2010)*

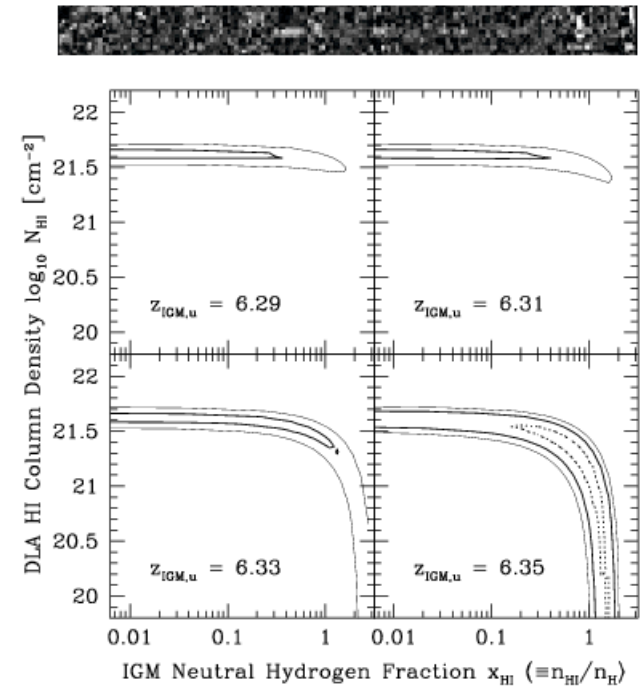
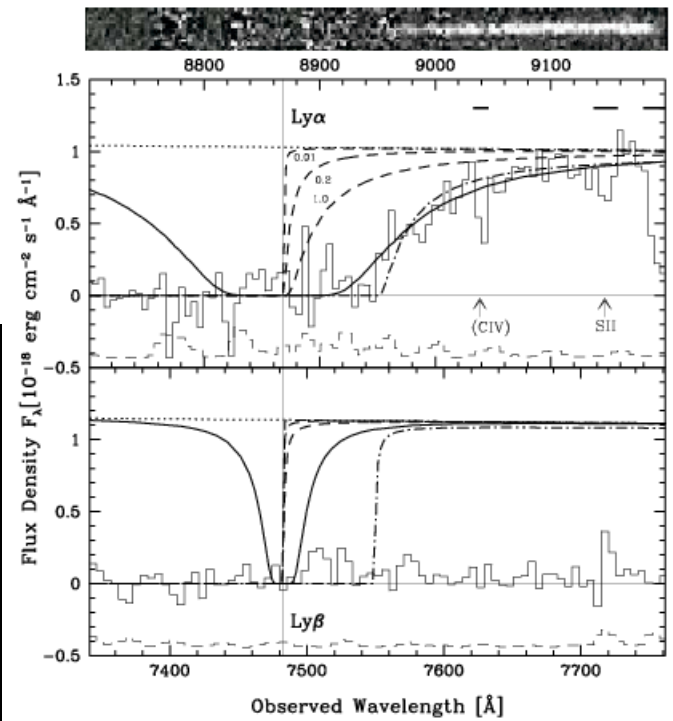
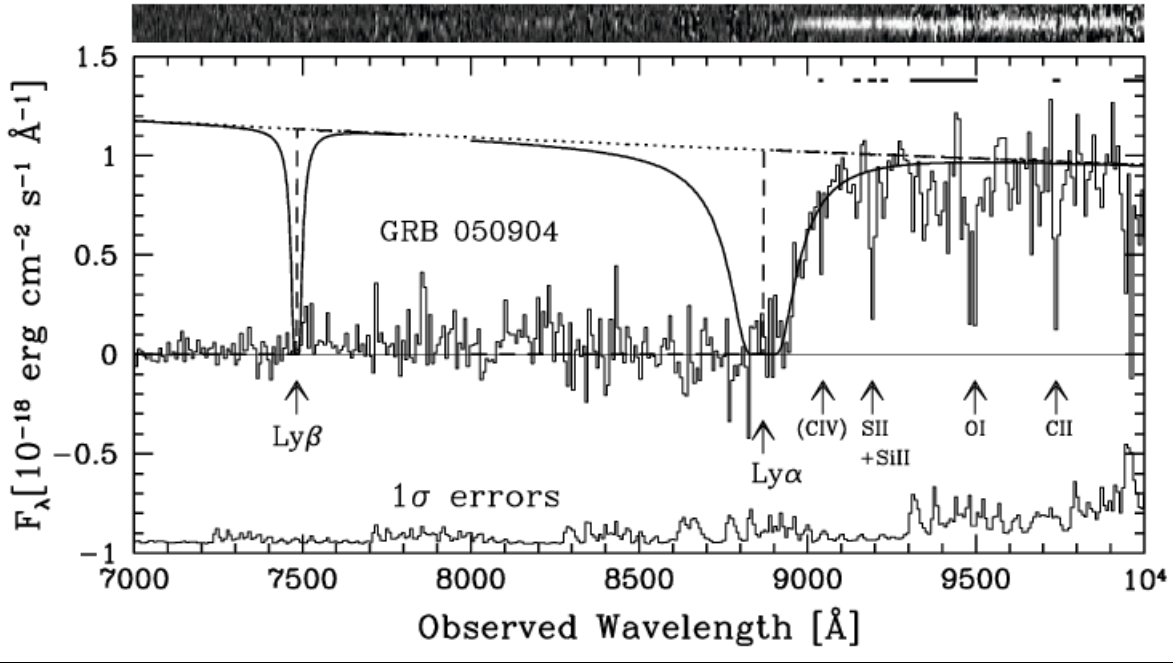
Populations III:

*with CMB temperature floor*

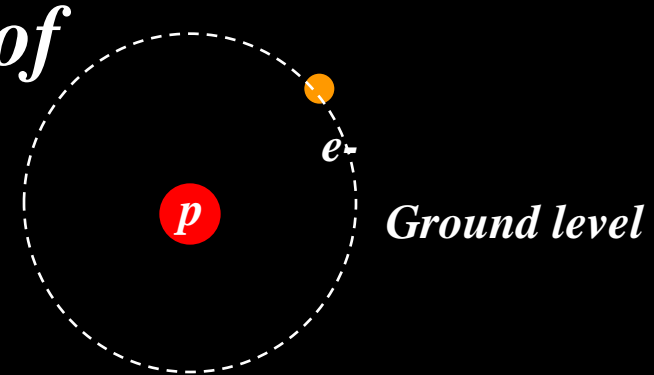
# Implications for the Cosmic Reionization from the Optical Afterglow Spectrum of the Gamma-Ray Burst 050904 at $z = 6.3^*$

Tomonori TOTANI<sup>1</sup>, Nobuyuki KAWAI<sup>2</sup>, George KOSUGI<sup>3</sup>, Kentaro AOKI<sup>4</sup>, Toru YAMADA<sup>3</sup>  
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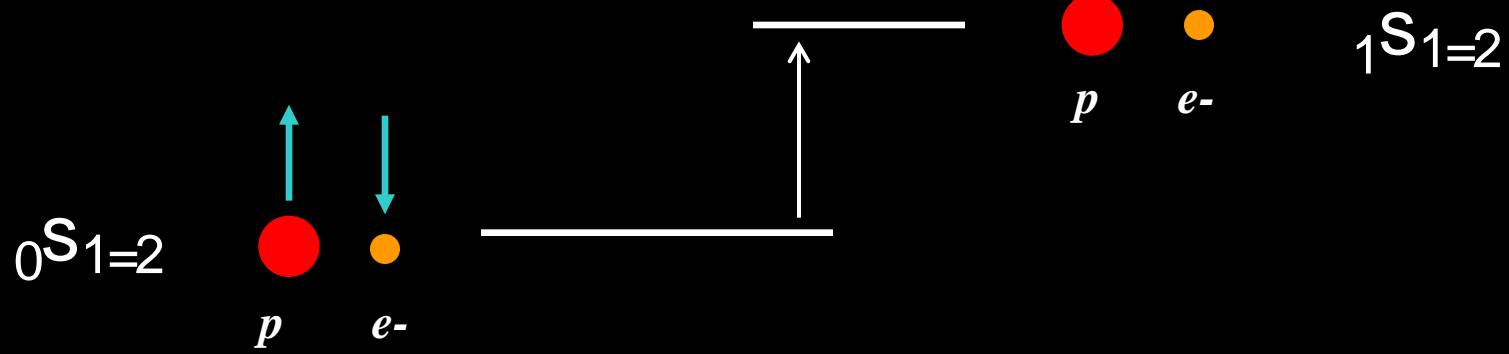
# Mapping the Cosmic Distribution of Hydrogen



*excitation rate = (Ly $\alpha$  & atomic collisions) + (radiative coupling to CMB)*

*Couple  $T_S$  to  $T_K$*

*Couples  $T_S$  to  $T_i$   
spin*



*Spin Temperature*

*Predicted by Van de Hulst in 1944; Observed by Ewen & Purcell in 1951 at Harvard*



# U.S. Decadal Survey 2010

## New Worlds, New Horizons in Astronomy and Astrophysics

### principal questions

- How did the universe begin?
- What were the first objects to light up the universe and when did they do it?
- How do cosmic structures form and evolve?
- What are the connections between dark and luminous matter?
- What is the fossil record of galaxy assembly and evolution from the first stars to the present?
- How do stars and black holes form?

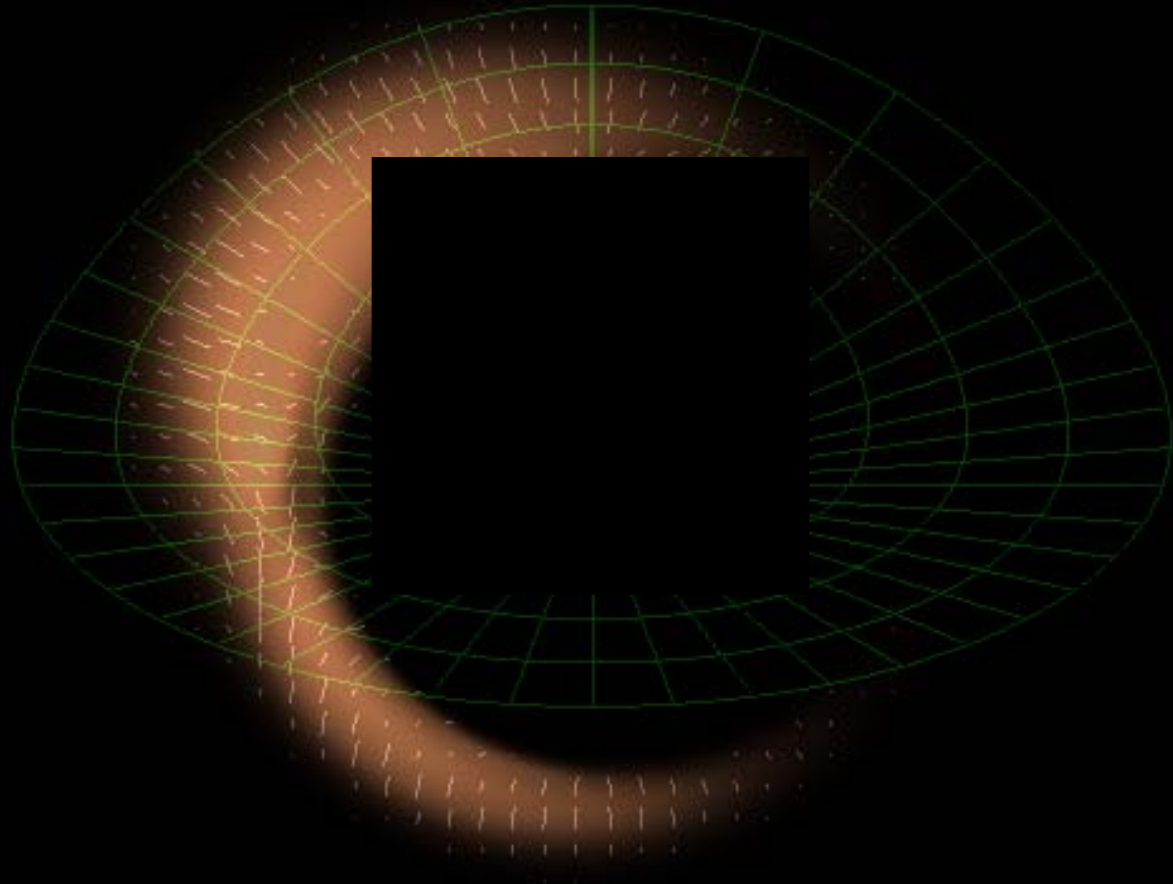
## Cosmic Dawn

Searching for the first stars, galaxies,  
and black holes

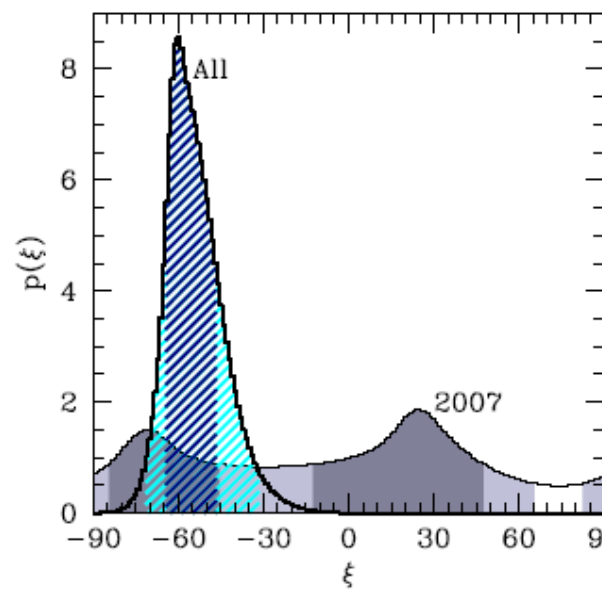
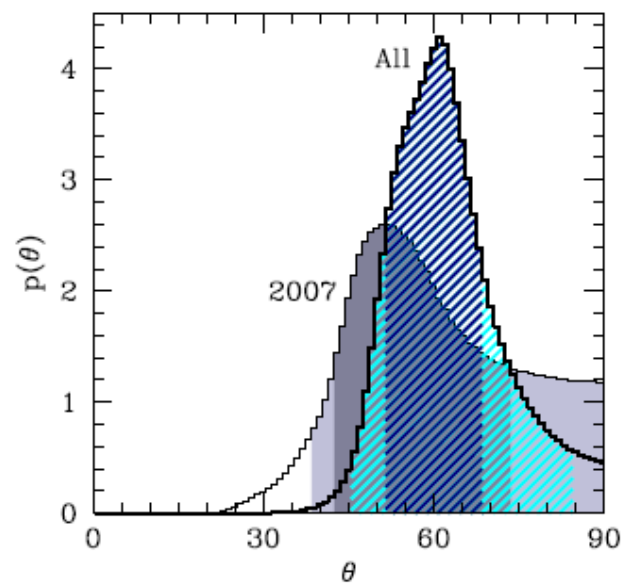
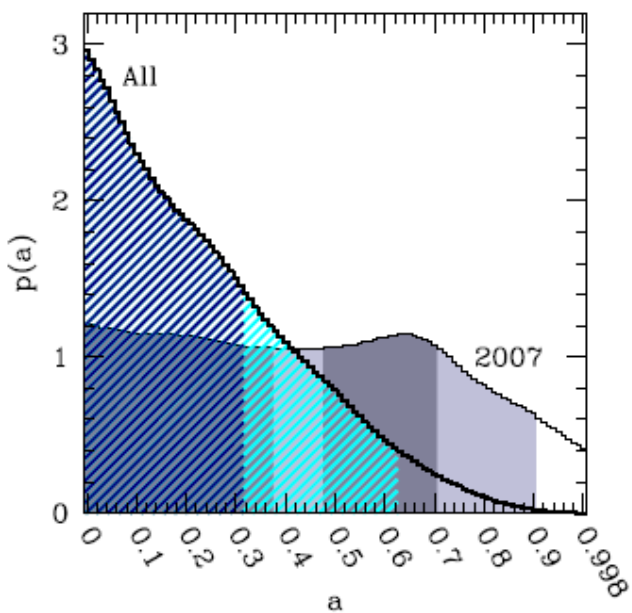
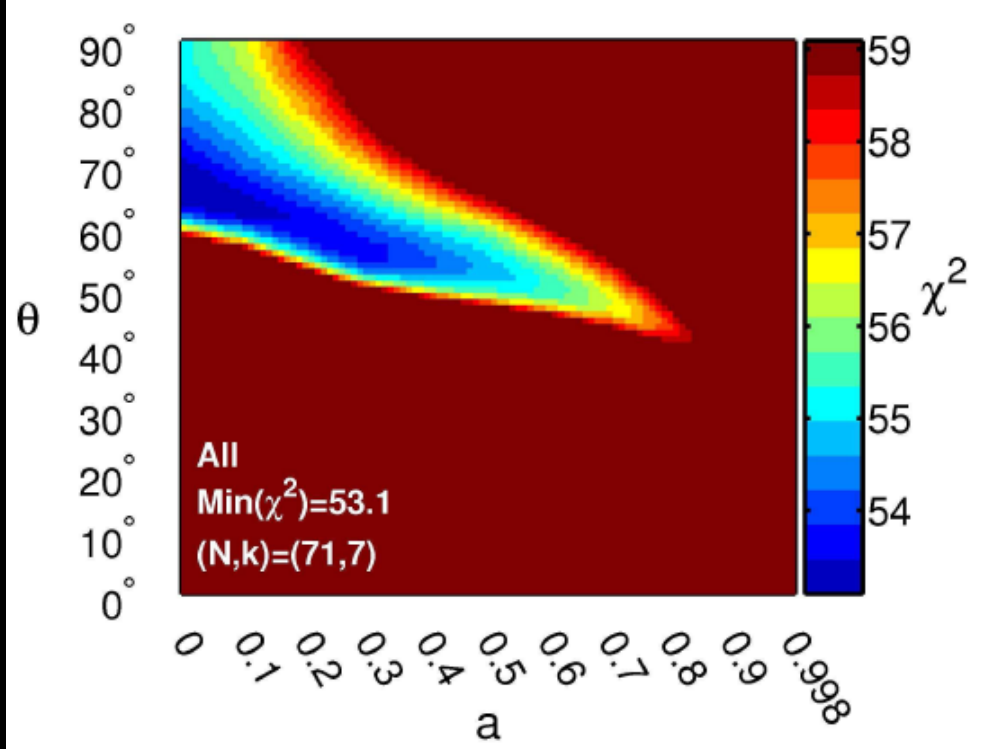
- Locating “reionization” – finding the epoch  $\sim 0.5$  billion years, when light from the first stars split interstellar hydrogen atoms into protons and electrons



# *Physics + Astrophysics: Imaging Black Holes*



Broderick & Loeb 2005



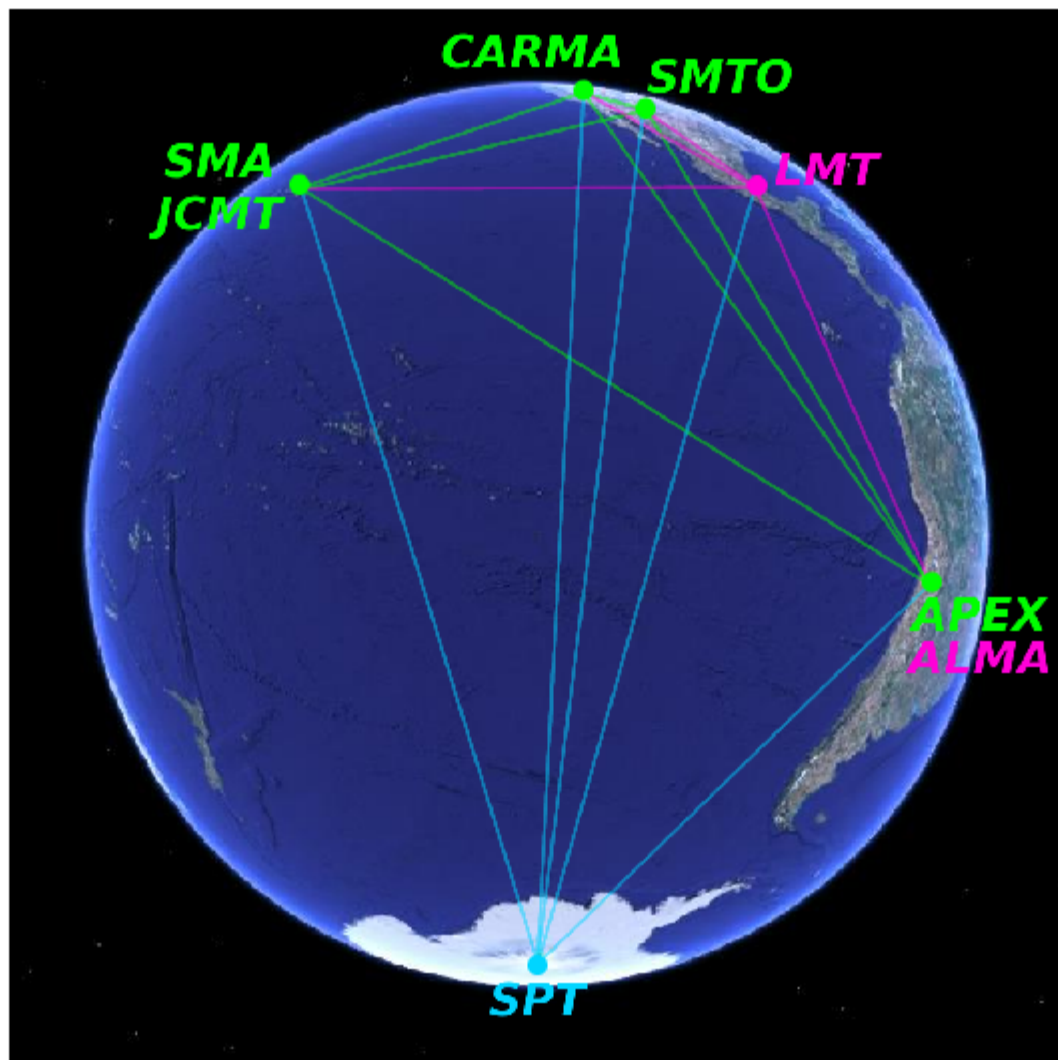
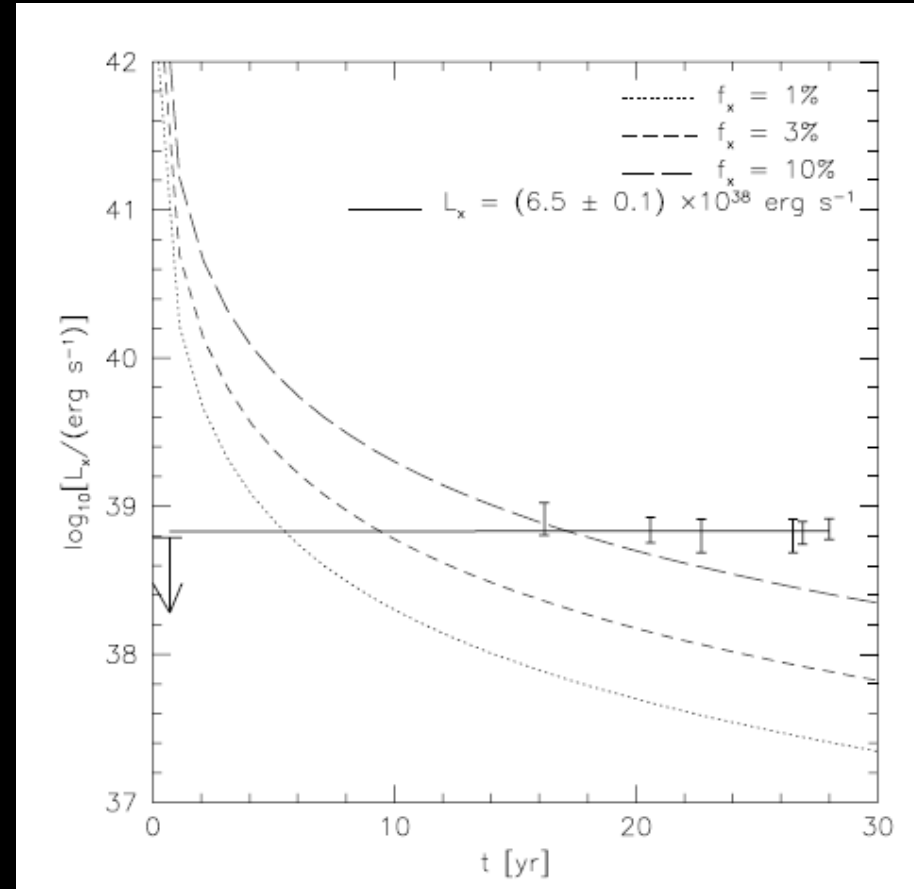


Figure 3: Existing and upcoming sub-millimeter radio telescopes in the Western hemisphere as seen from Sgr A\*. Green telescopes already exist and are ready to be phased into a small array. The *Large Millimeter Telescope* (LMT) will begin operations at sub-millimeter wavelengths sometime next year. The *Atacama Large-Millimeter Array* (ALMA) is scheduled to be completed by 2012, though it will begin taking data in 2010. Already at the ALMA site, the *Atacama Pathfinder EXperiment* (APEX) is presently operating. Finally, the *South Pole Telescope* (SPT) needs only a millimeter receiver to be adapted for sub-mm VLBI. The projected baselines associated with these telescopes are shown in green for telescopes

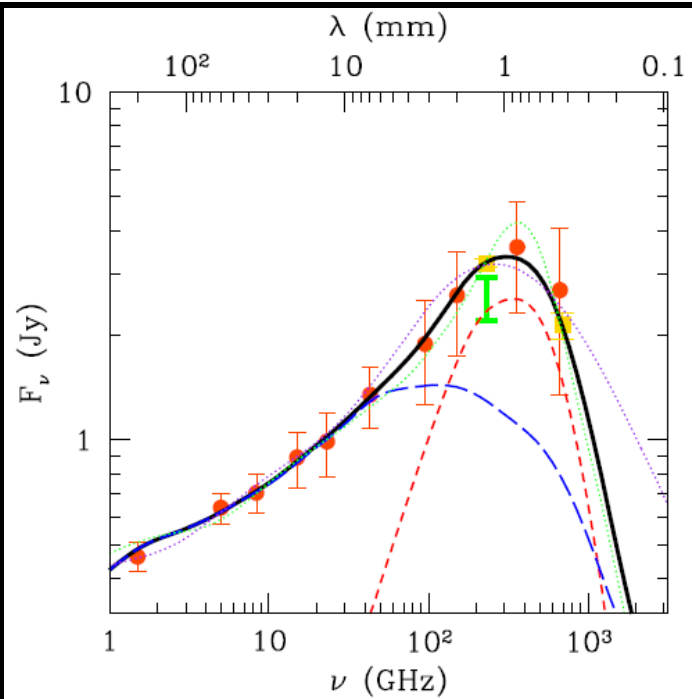
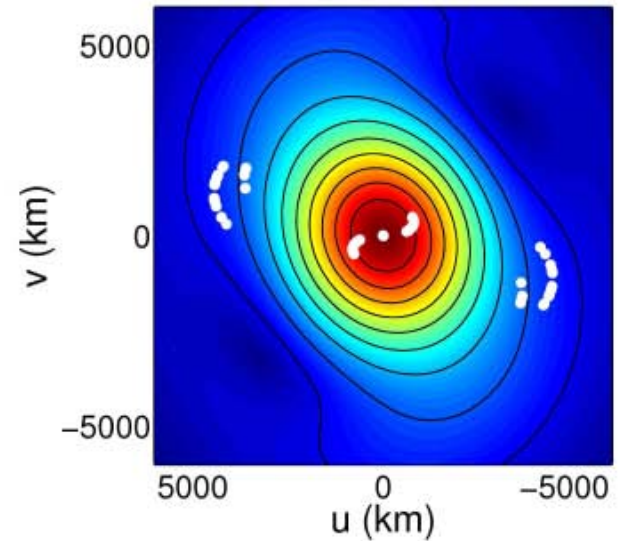
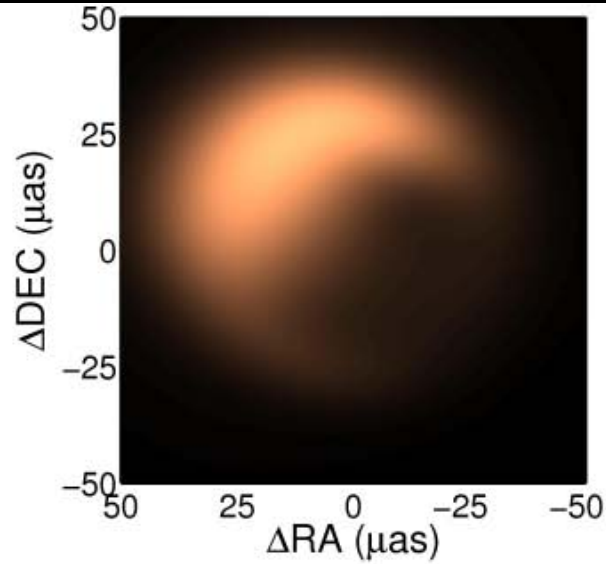
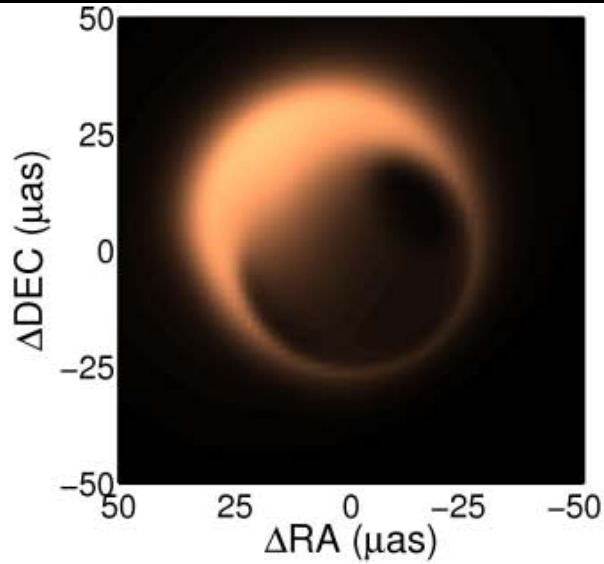
# SN1979C: Possible Birth of a Black Hole



- SN IIL,  $20M_{\odot}$  progenitor in M100
- Steady X-ray luminosity near the Eddington limit of a 5-10  $M_{\odot}$  black hole

*Patnaude, Loeb, & Jones 2010*

# Evidence for a Low-Spin BH in SgrA\*



*Broderick, Fish,  
Doeleman &  
Loeb 2010*

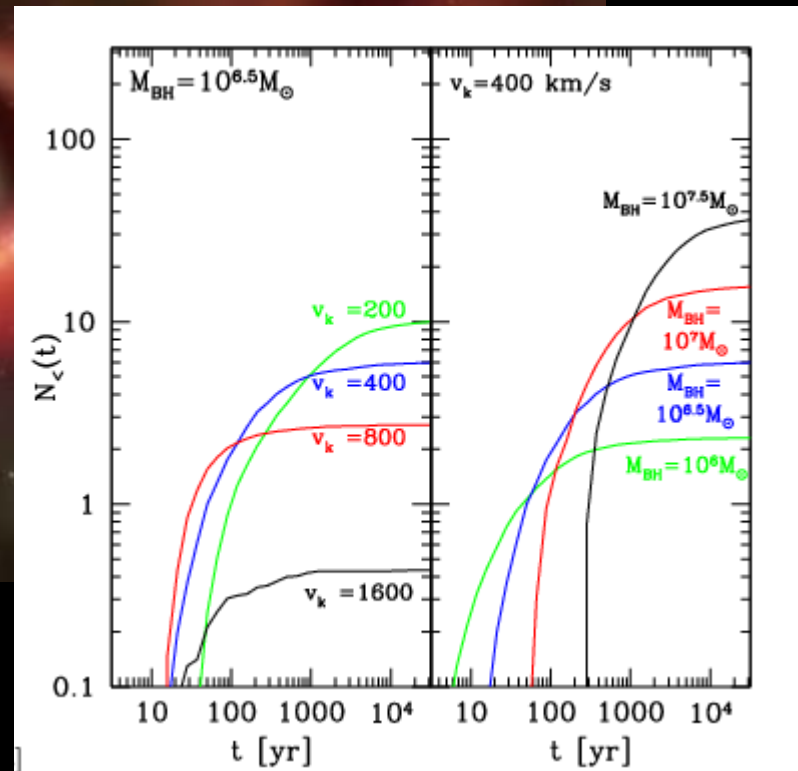


# EM Counterpart of LISA Sources: Tidal Disruption of Stars

$r_t \propto (M=m_?)^{1/3} R_?$  “loss cone” filled by GW recoil

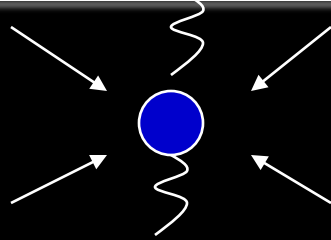


(Stone & Loeb 2010)





# Massive Black Holes



*Maximum (Eddington) luminosity is proportional to black hole mass  $M$*

**Stellar mass seed requires ~billion years to grow to an SDSS quasar ( )**

*...But a billion year is the Hubble time at  $z \sim 6$ , and feedback from star formation and quasar activity as well as BH kicks are likely to suppress continuous accretion...*

# Black Hole Recoil

*Physics*

*(Centrella et al. 2007)*

*Astrophysics*

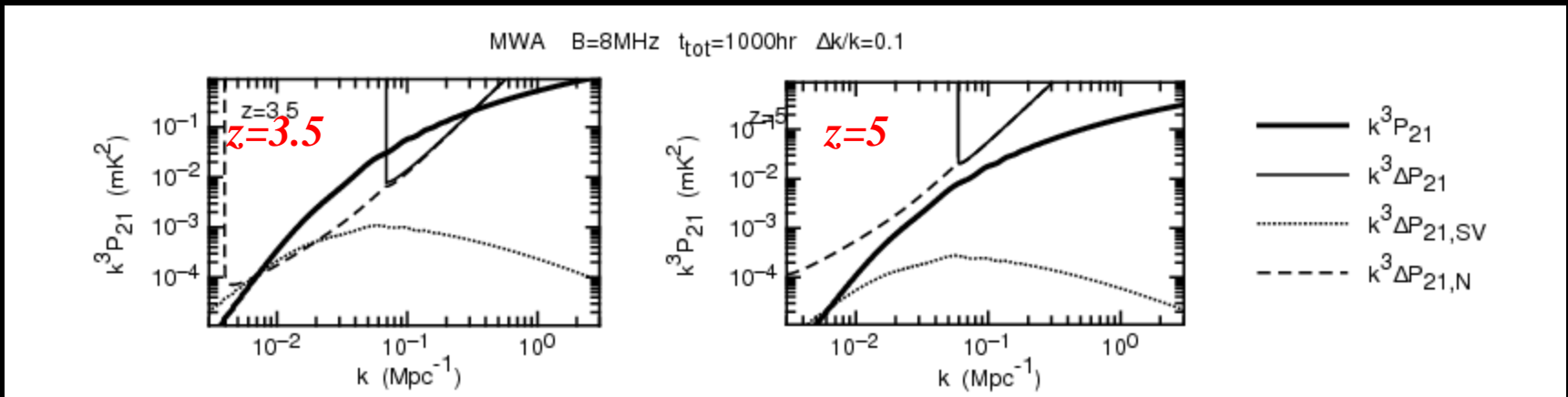
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