

The Many Manifestations of "Downsizing"



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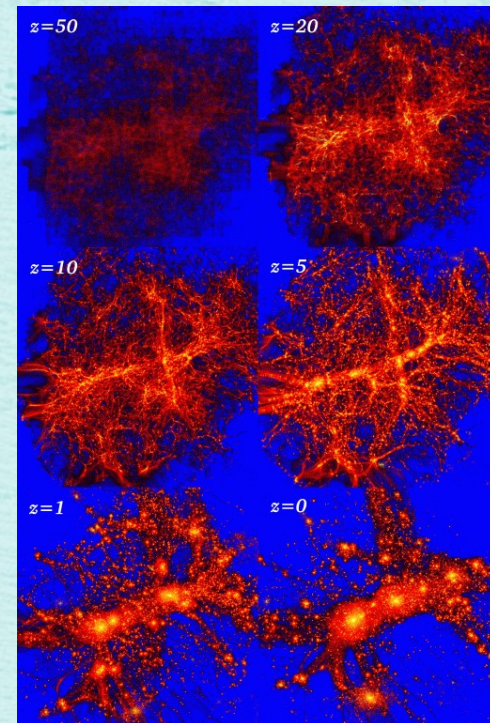
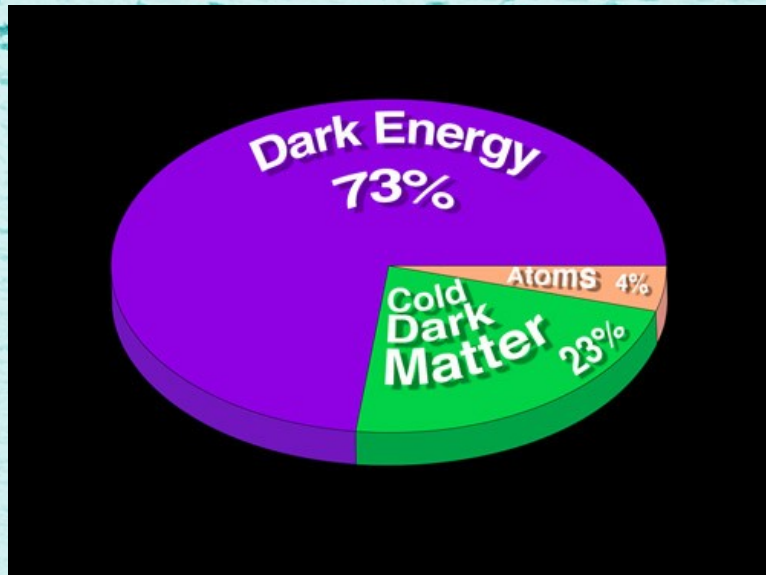
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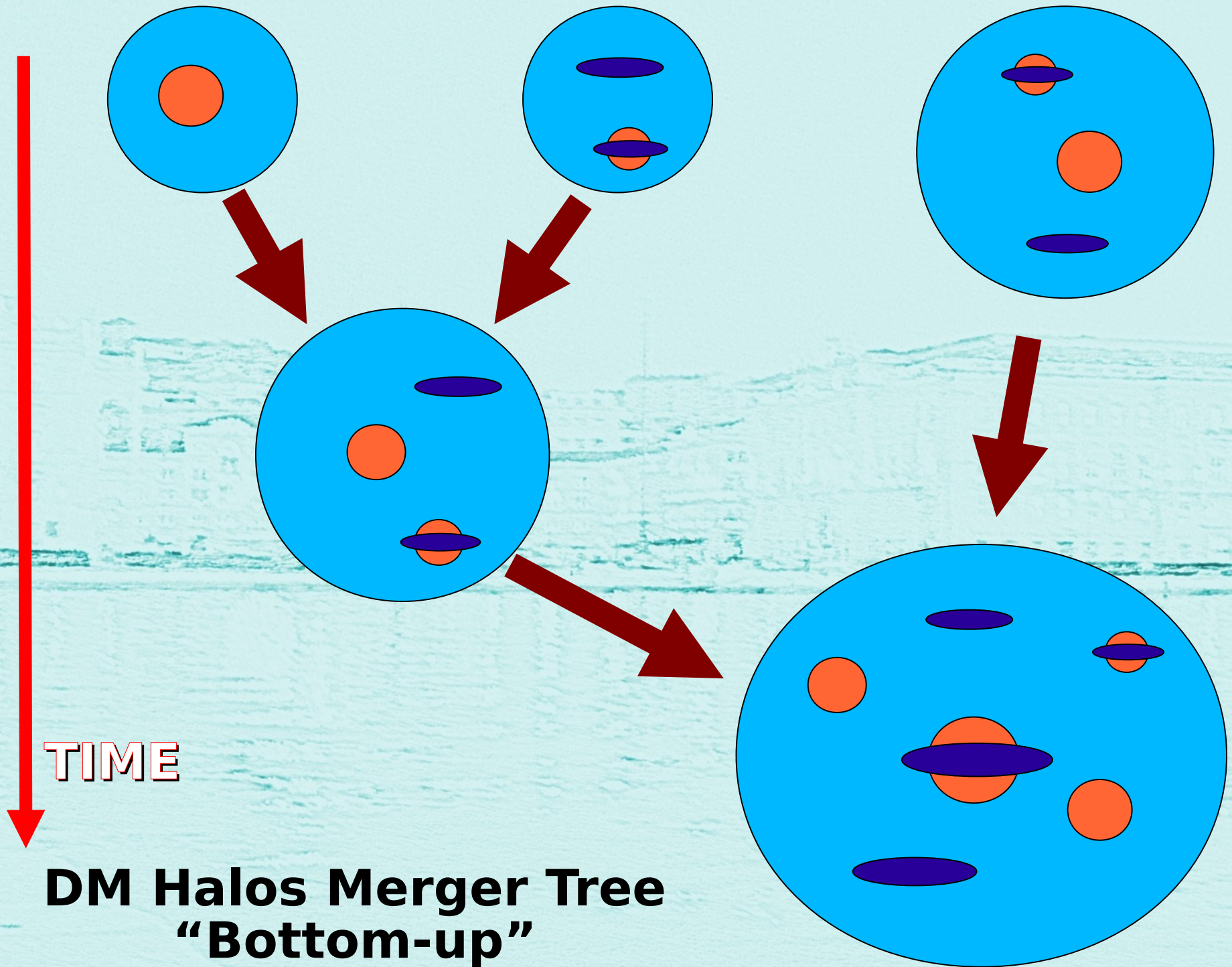


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- ◆ **Properties of galaxies show evidences of the opposite behavior**
 - ◆ **Downsizing [Cowie et al., 1996](#)**
- ◆ **Notation**
 - ◆ **DS = Downsizing**
 - ◆ **mMG = more Massive Galaxies**
 - ◆ **SSFR = specific SFR**

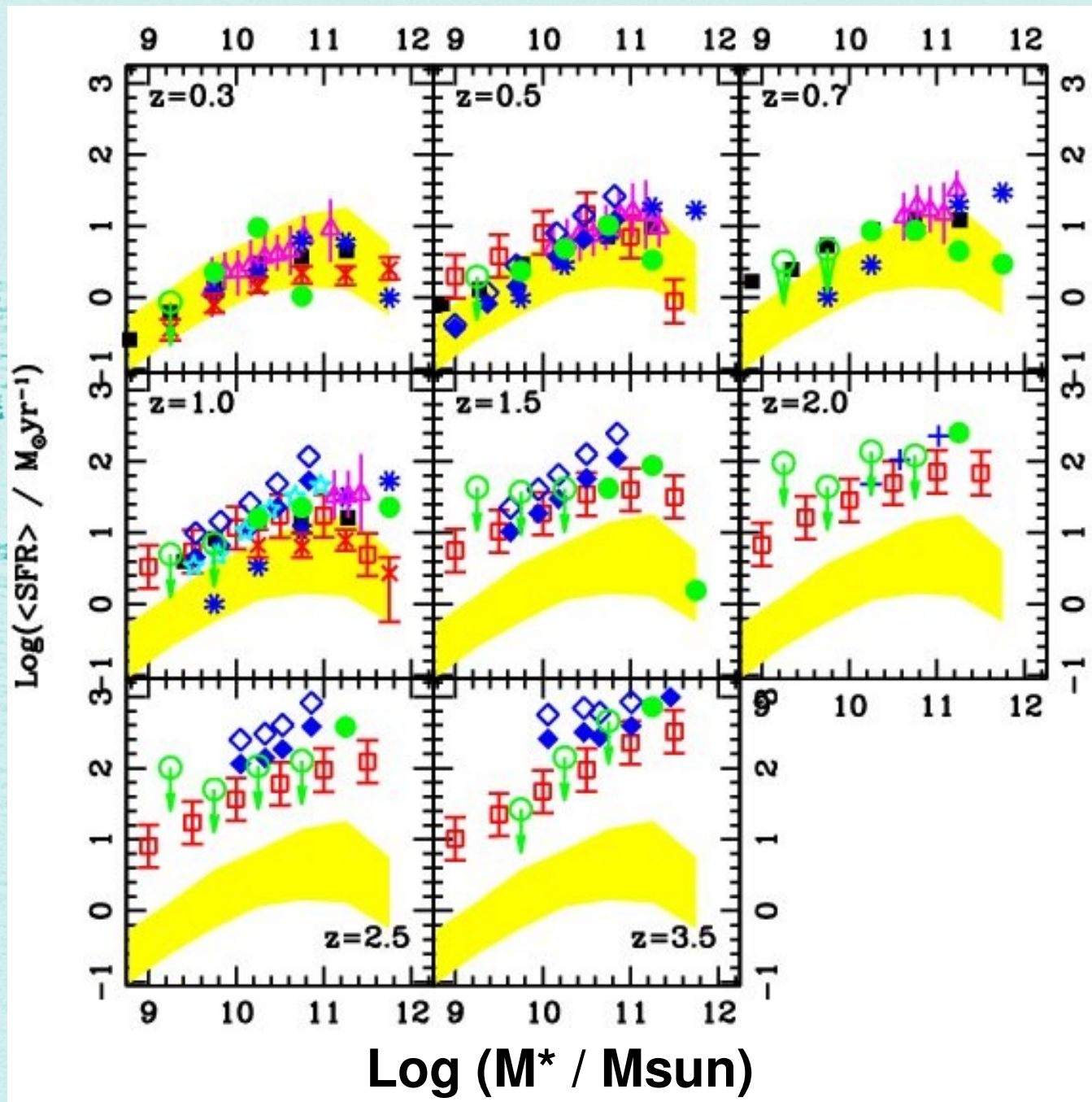
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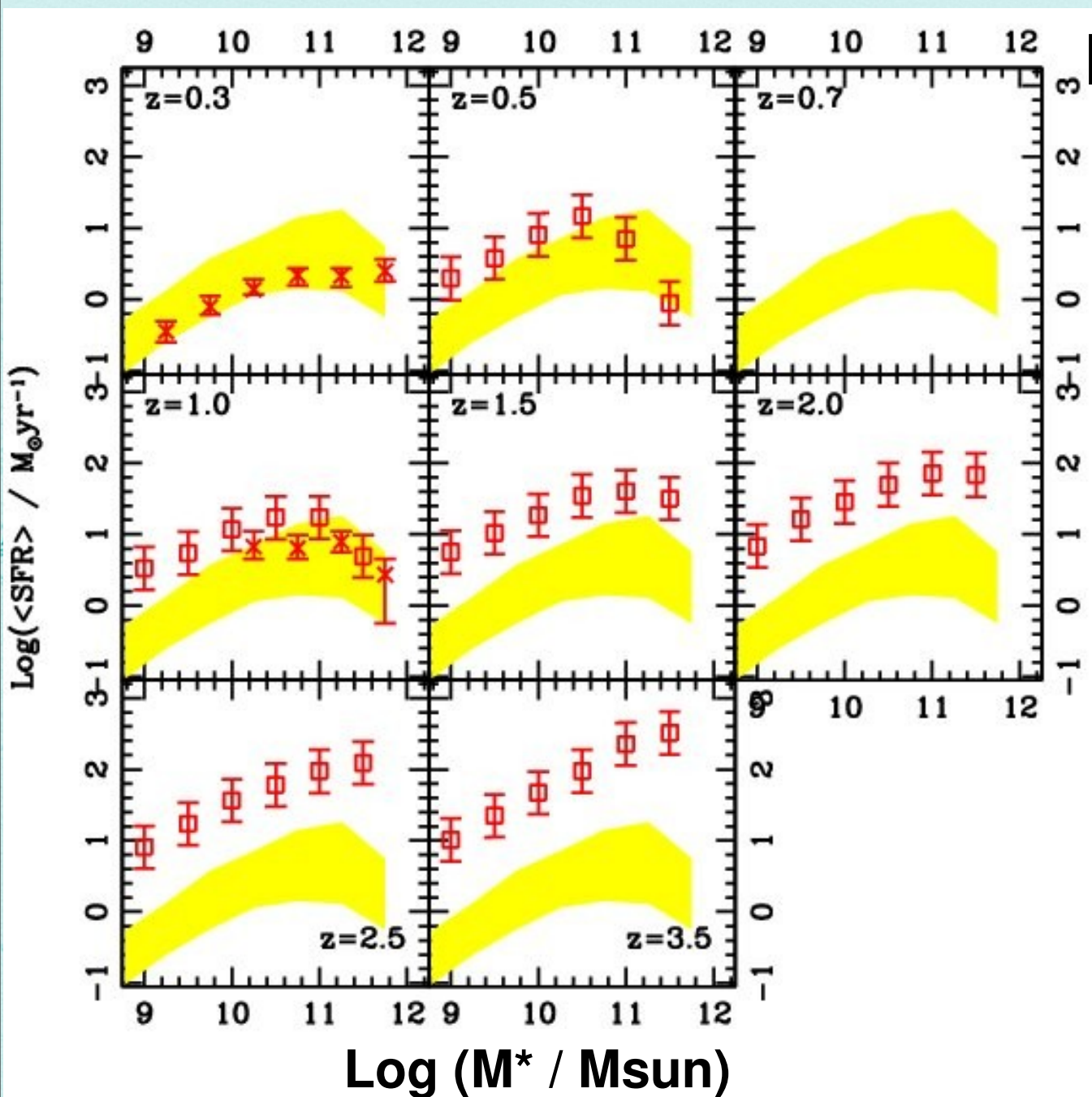
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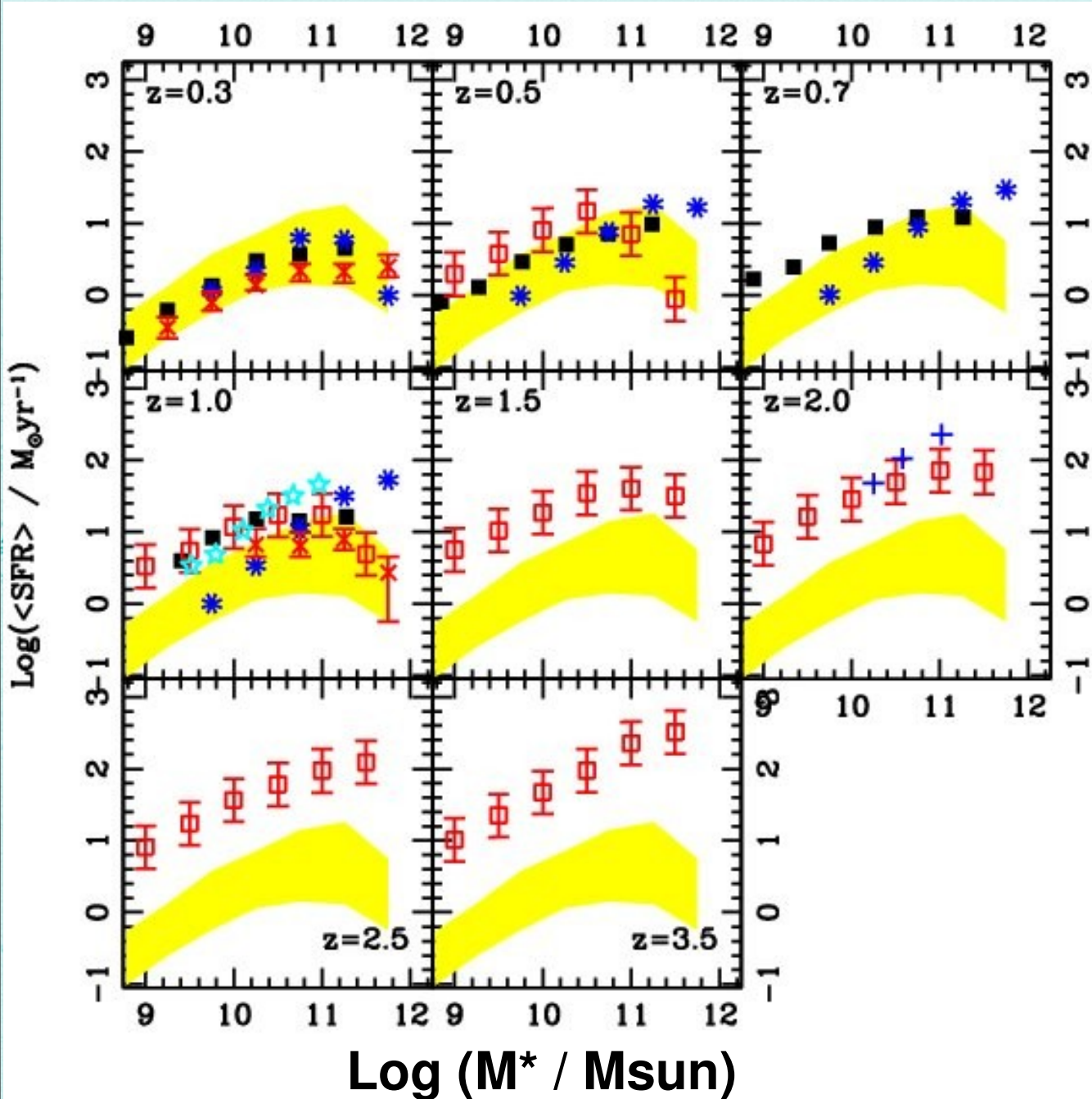
Dust Corrected UV

Chen+09

DroryAlvarez+08

Clear DS in $\langle \text{SFR} \rangle$

DS in SFR



UV + 24 micron

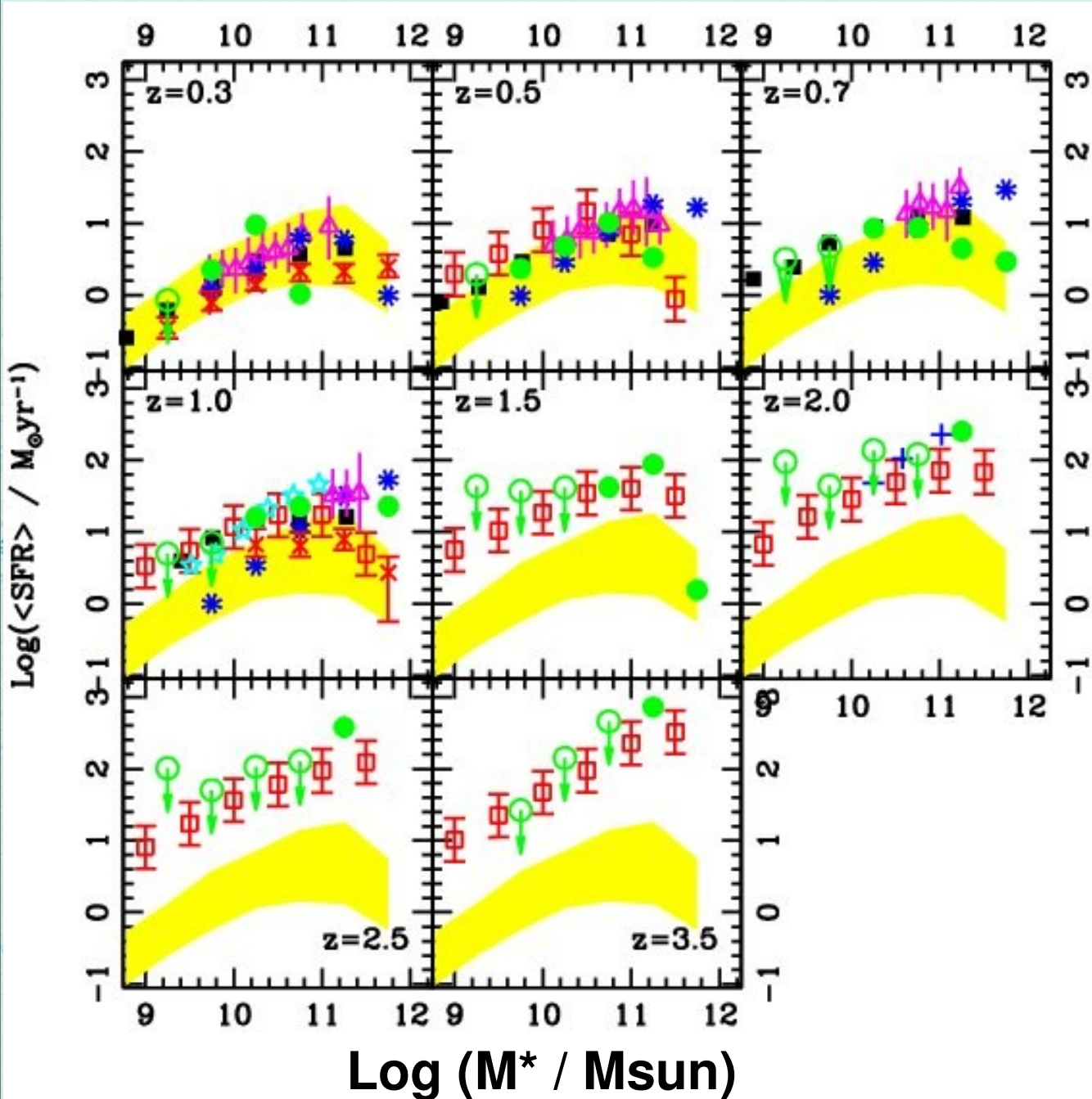
Bell+07

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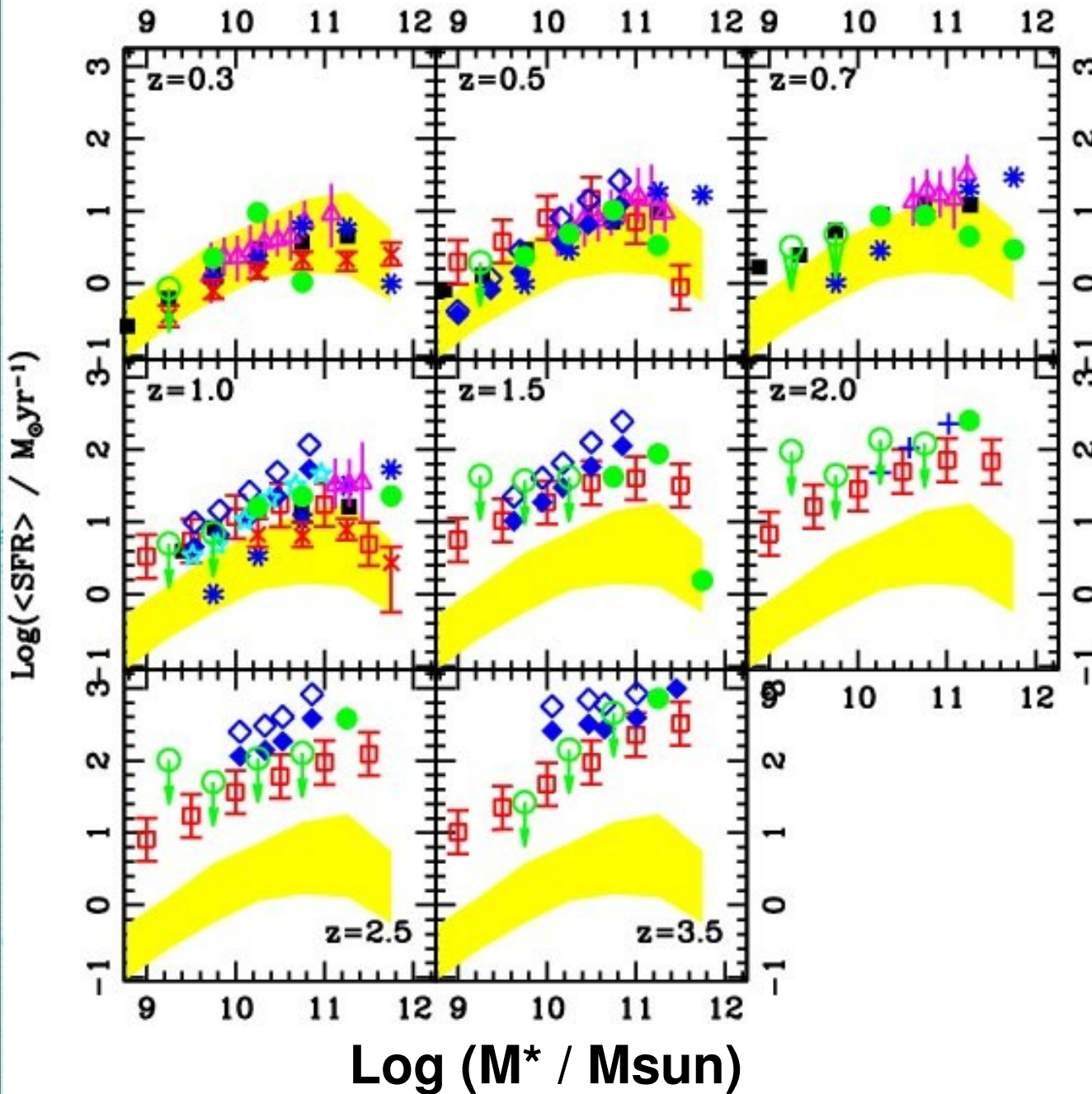


SED Fitting

Noeske+07

Santini+09

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Radio Stacking Dunne+08

DS as a s
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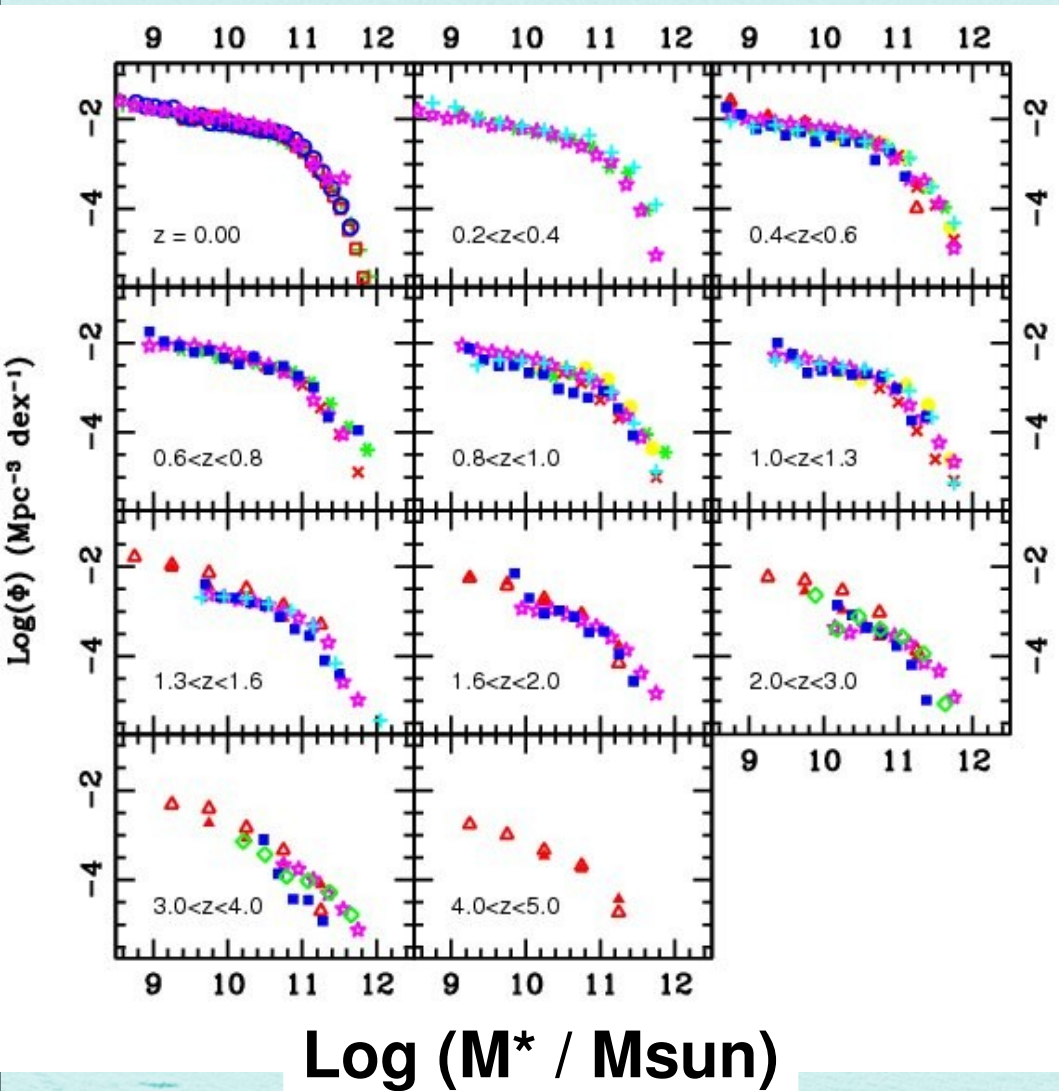
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Cole+00

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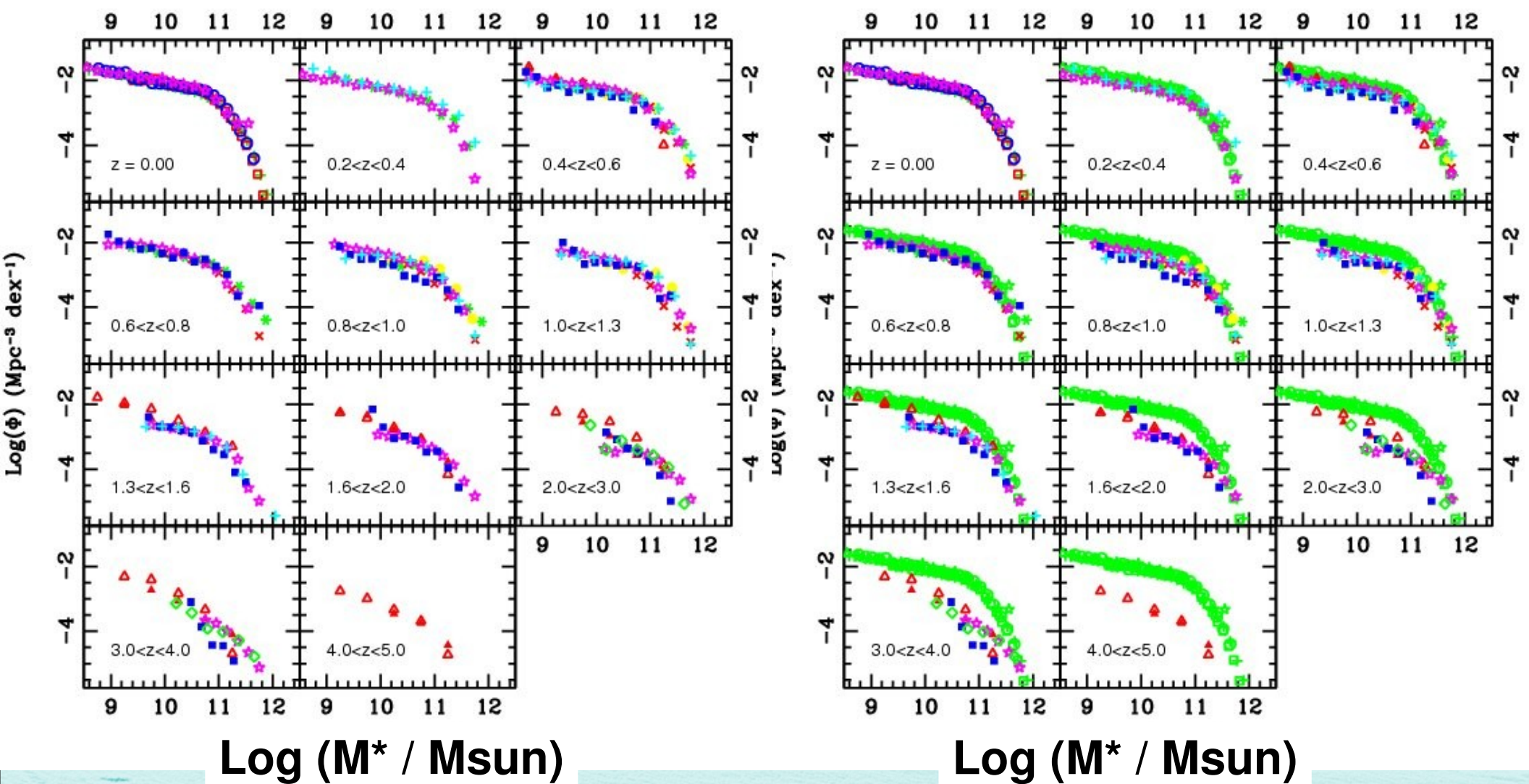
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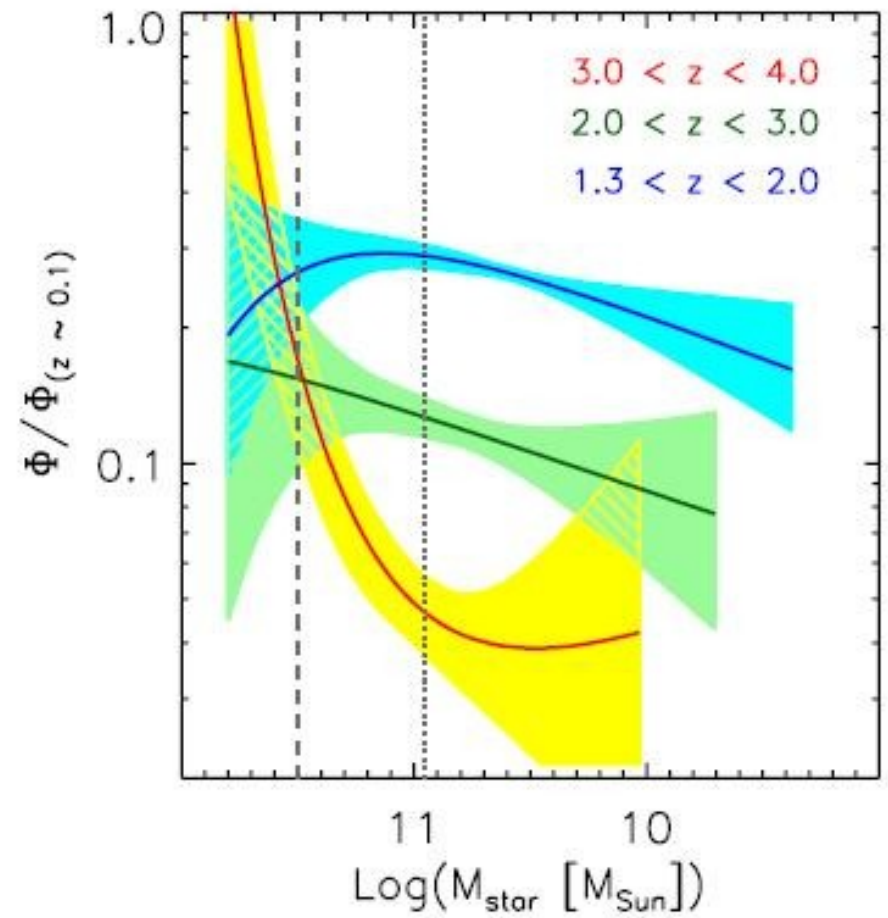
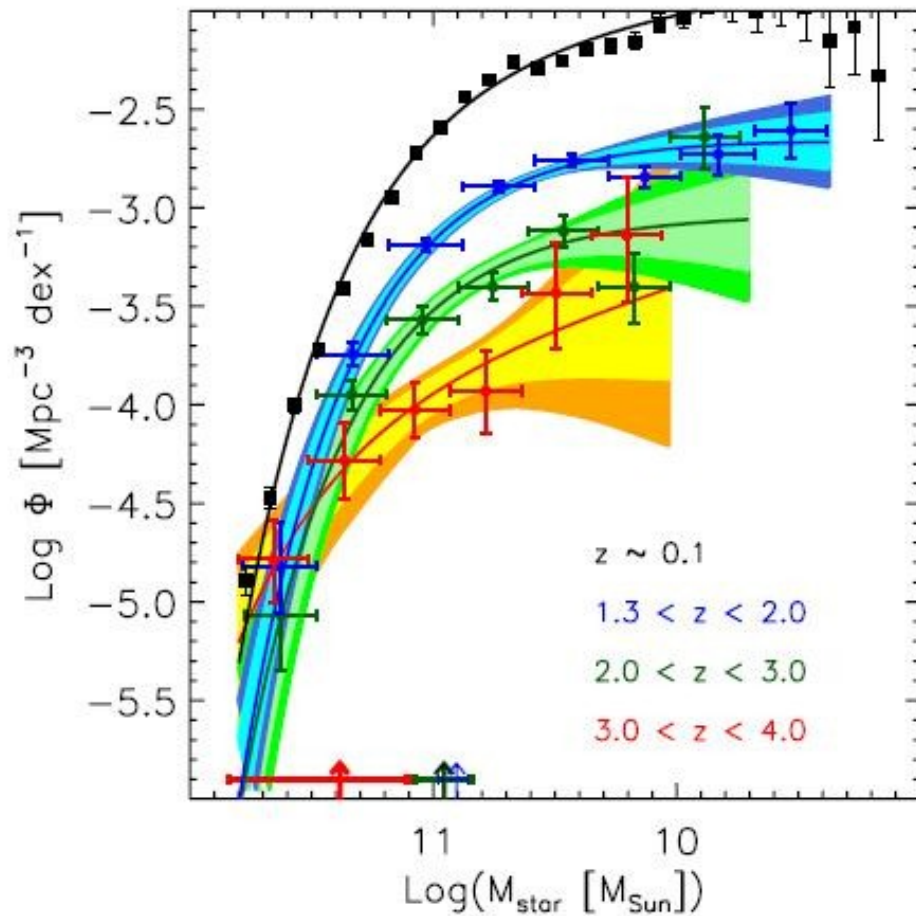
PerezGonzalez+07

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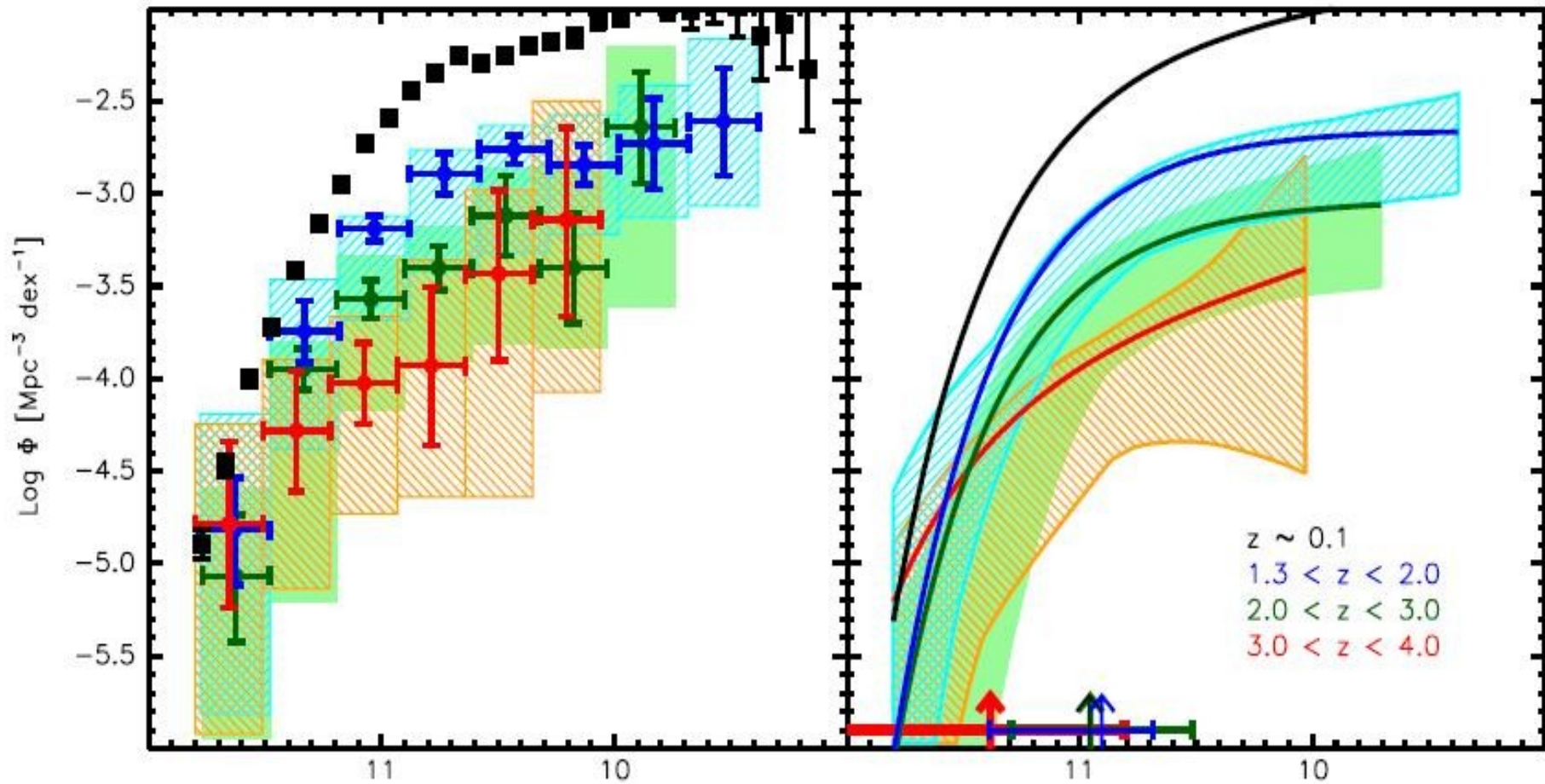
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Marchesini+09



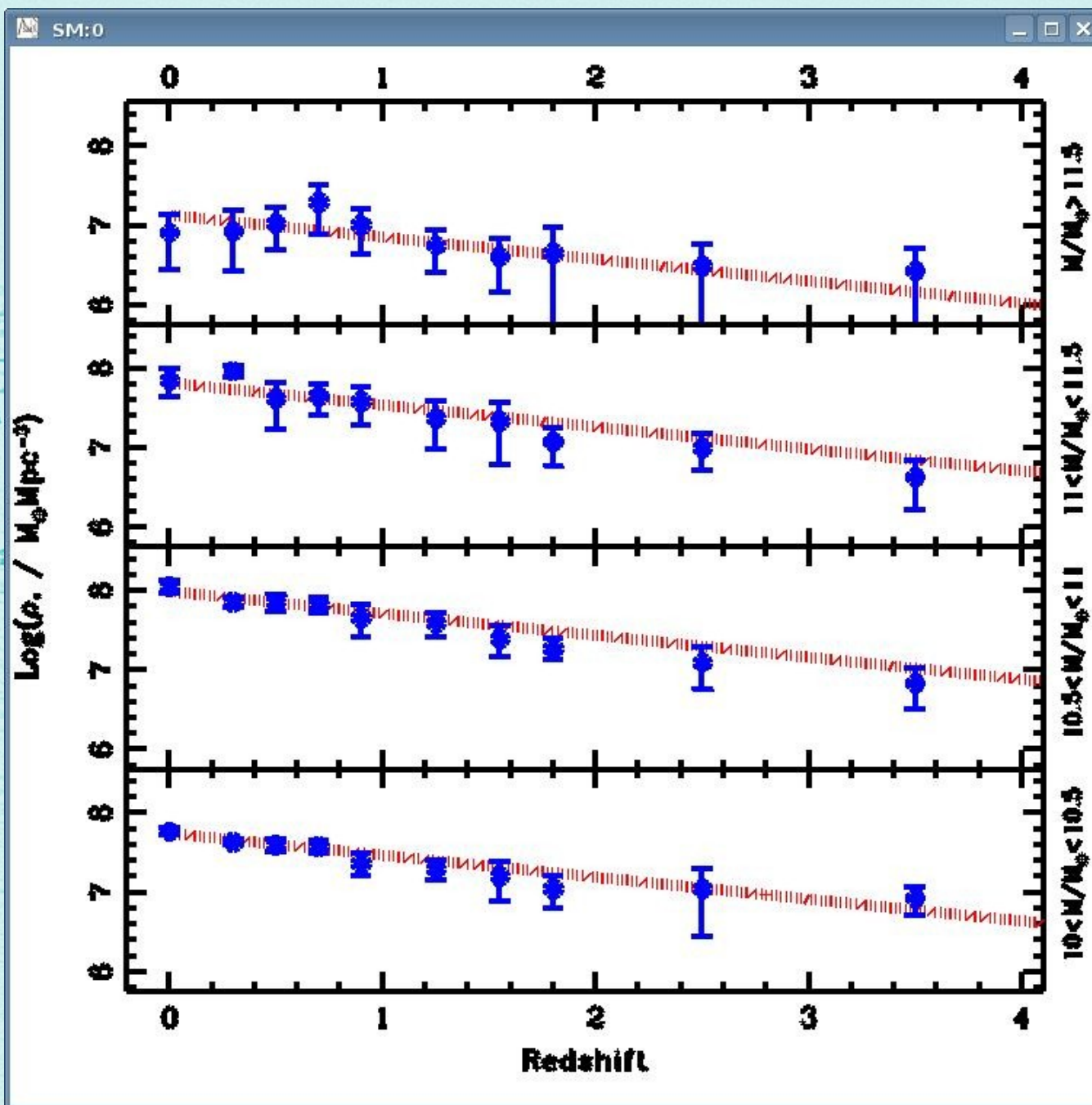
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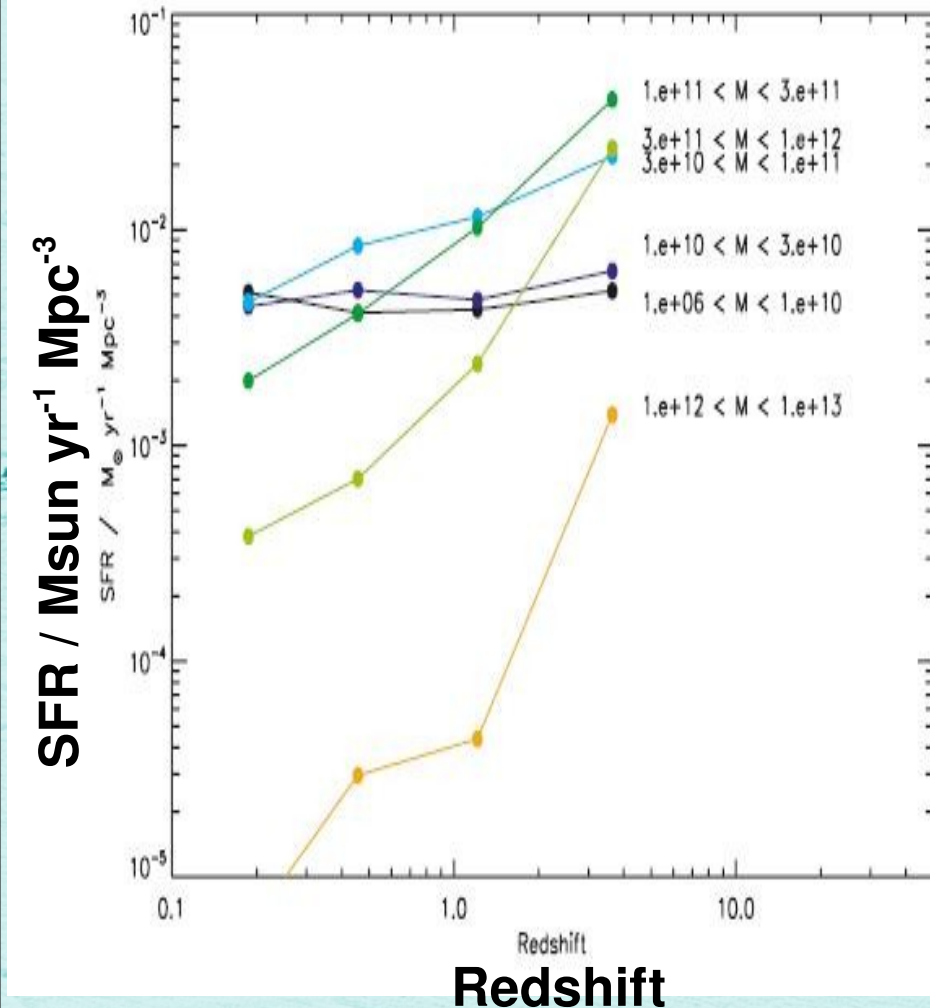


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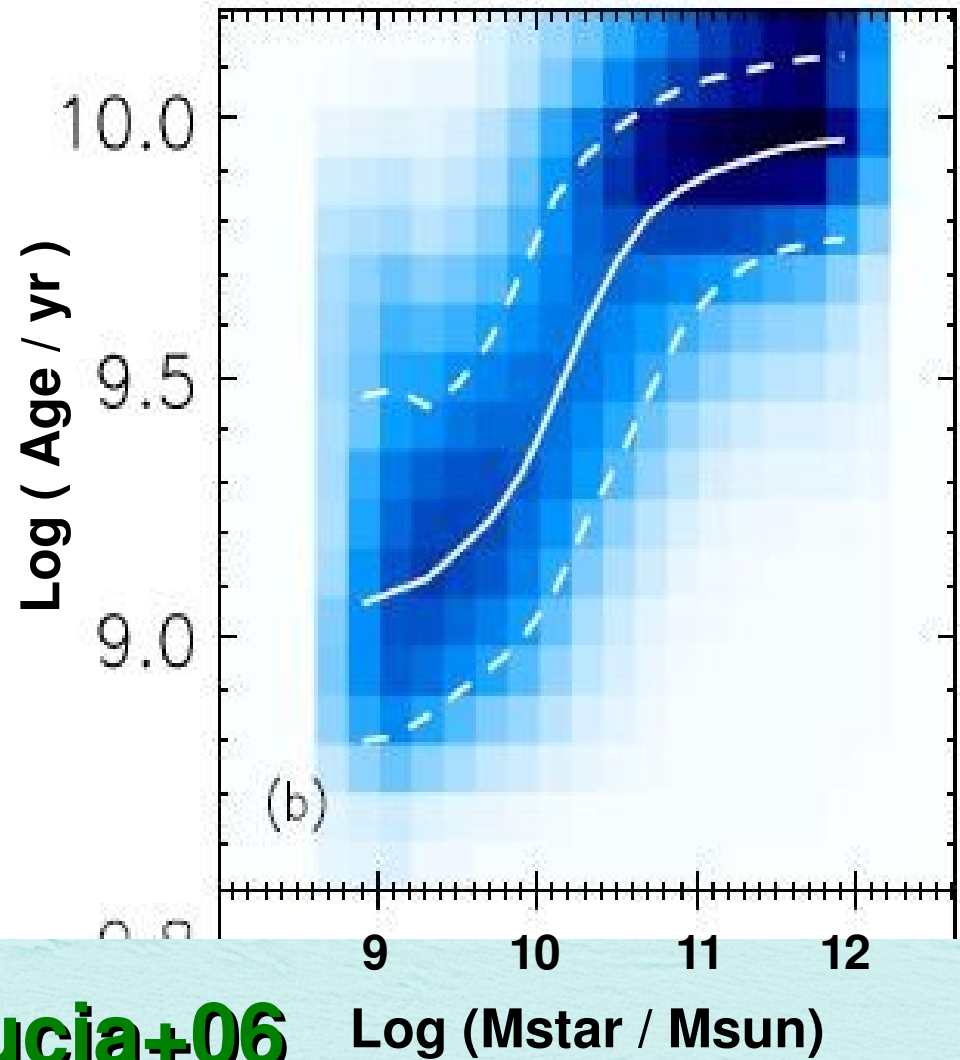
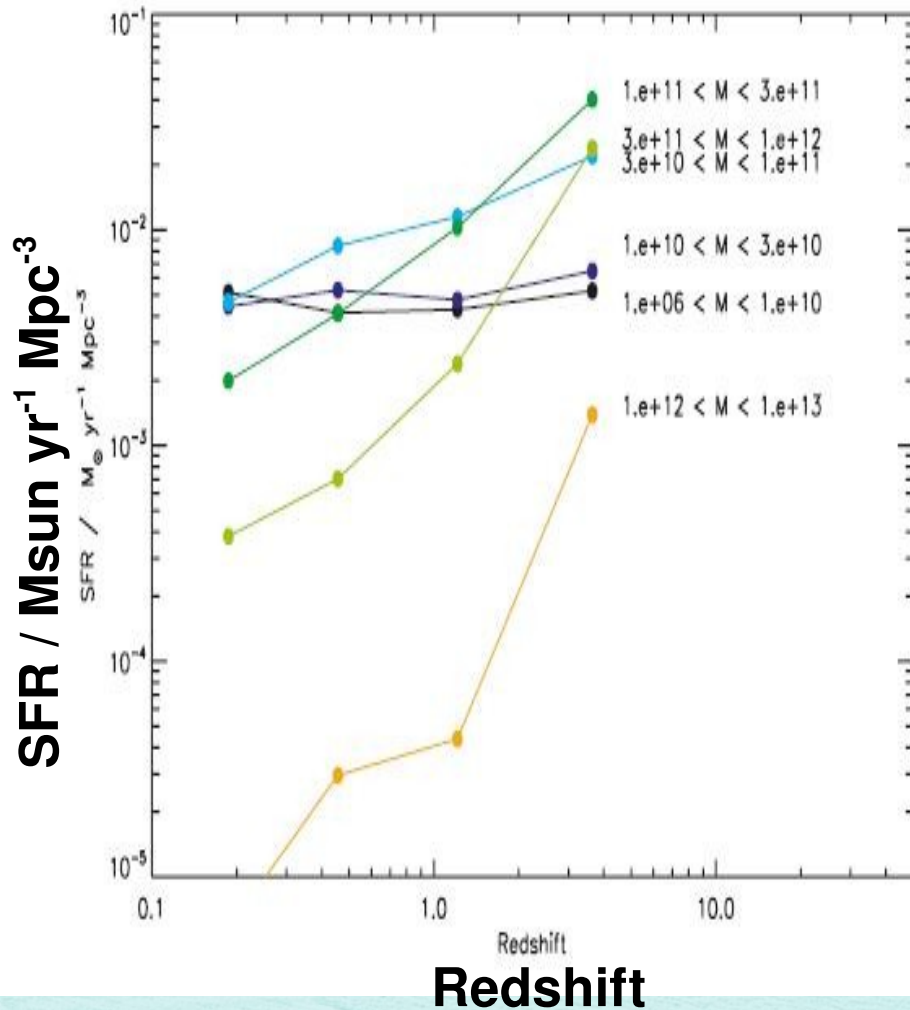


- ◆ Mass binning as a function of $z=0$ stellar mass

Archeological DS

Panter+07

Gallazzi+05



But see **De Lucia+06**

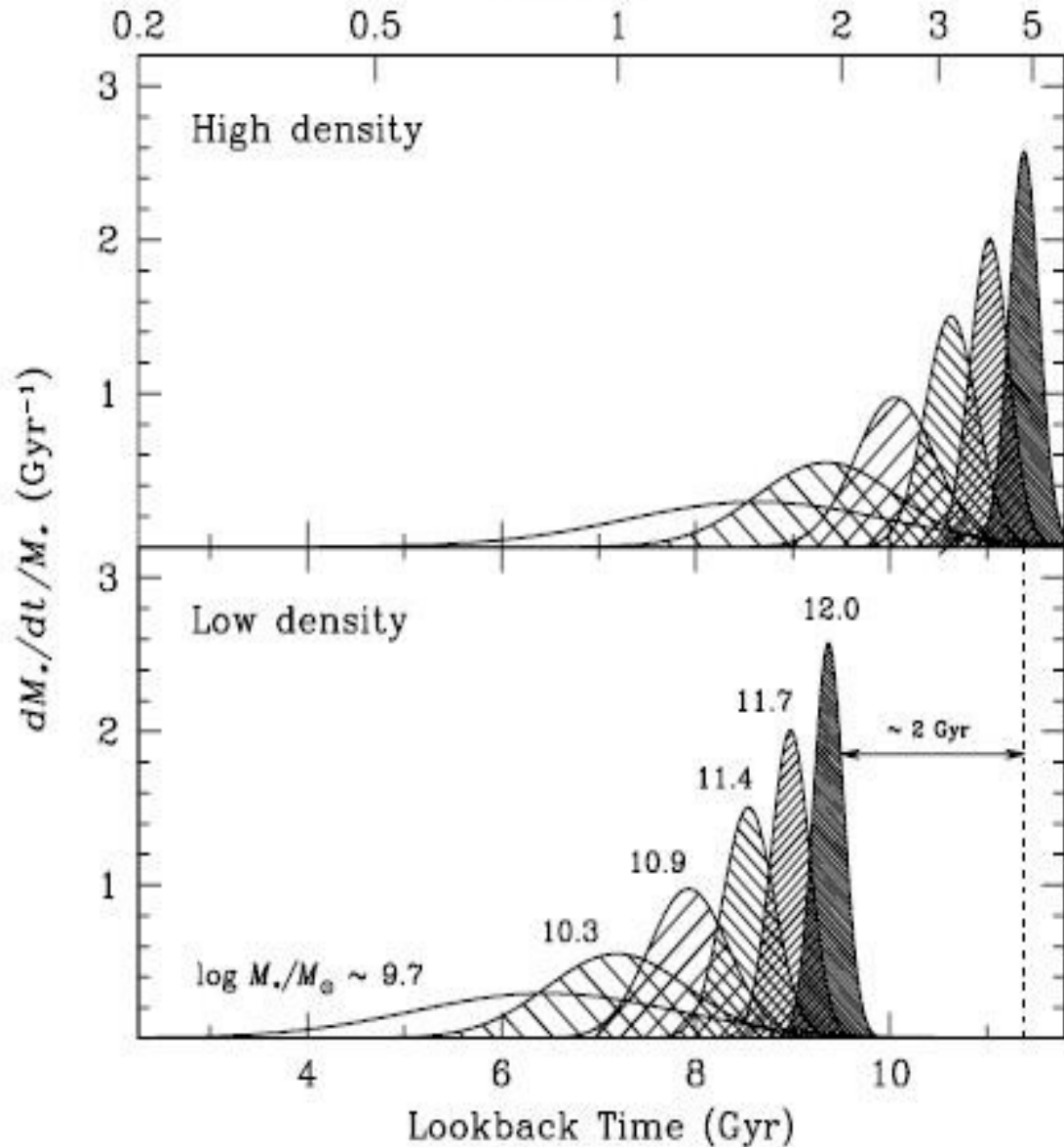
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Matteucci94; Thomas+05



See also

Pipino+09

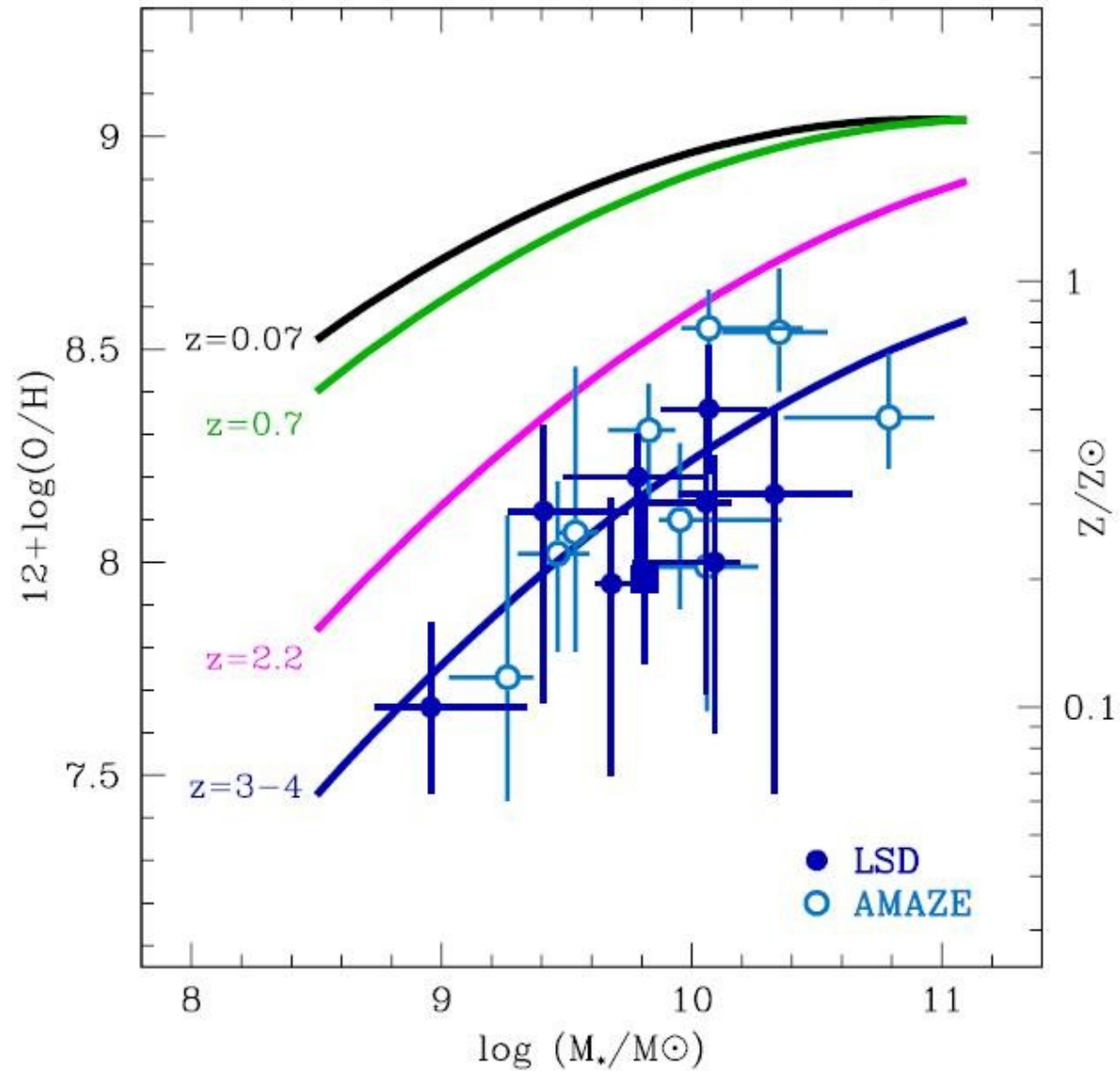
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Maiolino+08 Mannucci+09

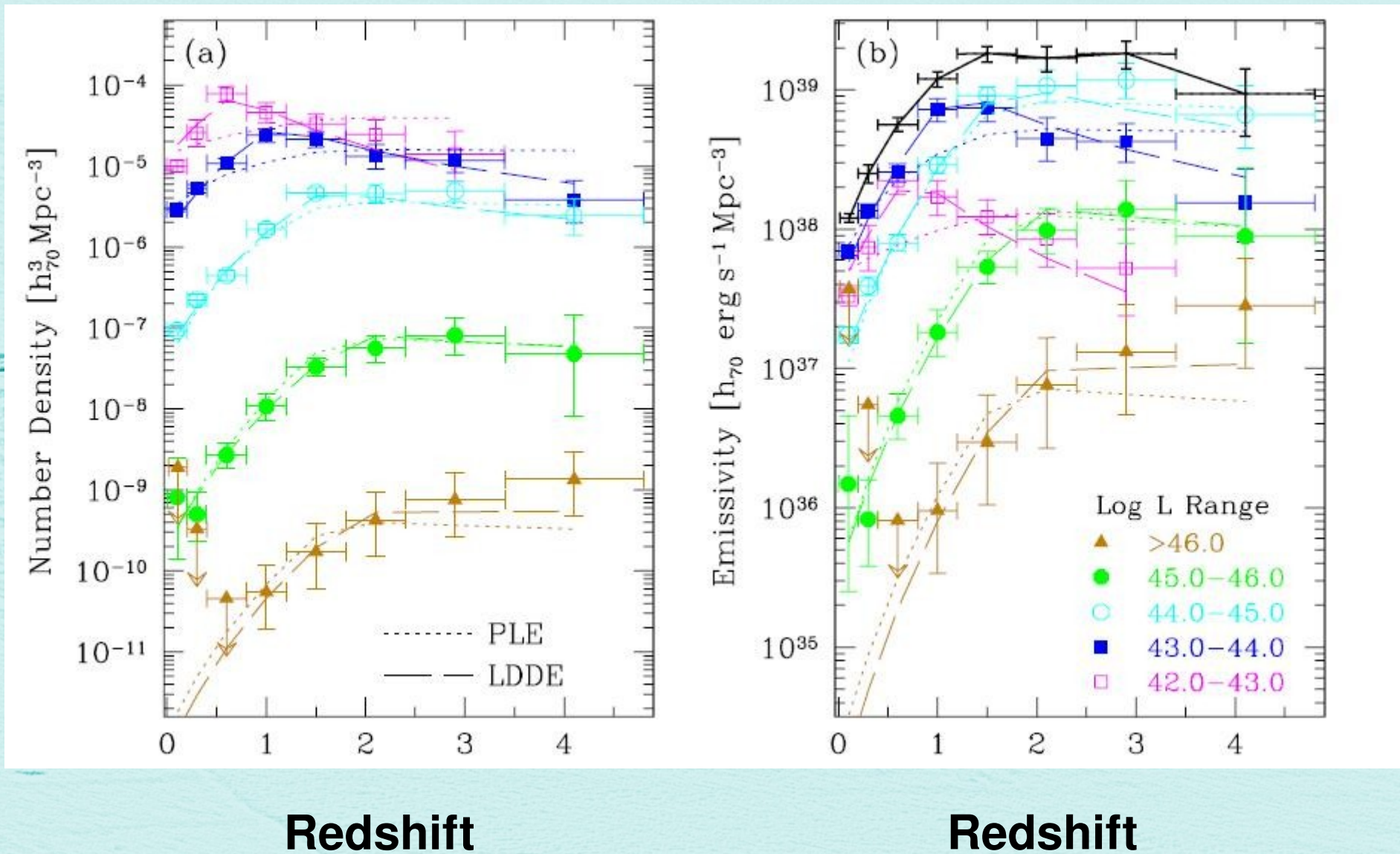


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Hasinger+05



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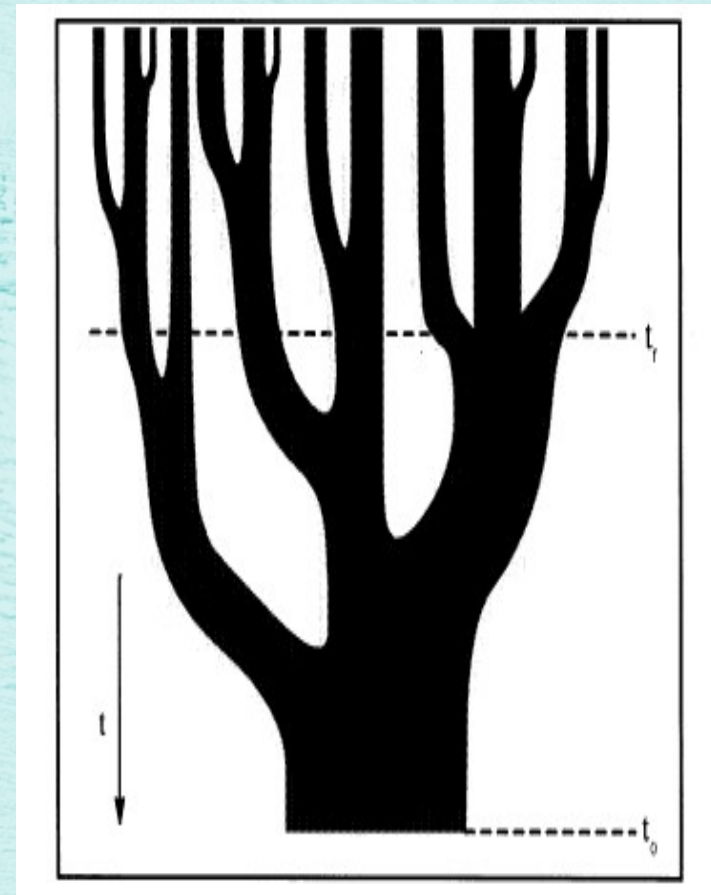
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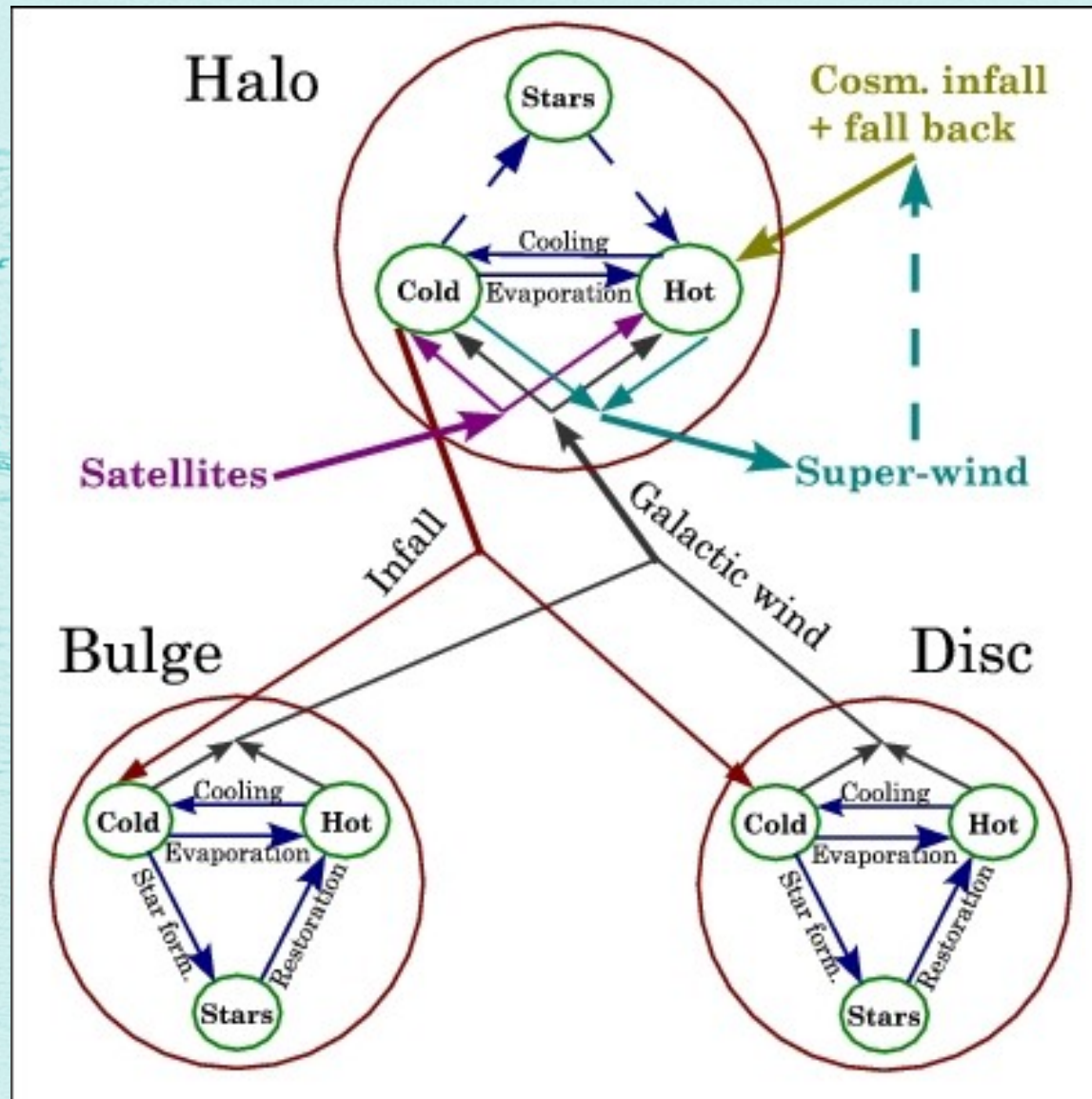


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 - ◆ **Star Formation and Stellar feedback**
 - ◆ **Galaxy size, morphology**
 - ◆ **BH growth**
 - ◆ **AGN activity and AGN feedback**


Semi-Analytical Models (SAMs)

Monaco Fontanot & Taffoni 07



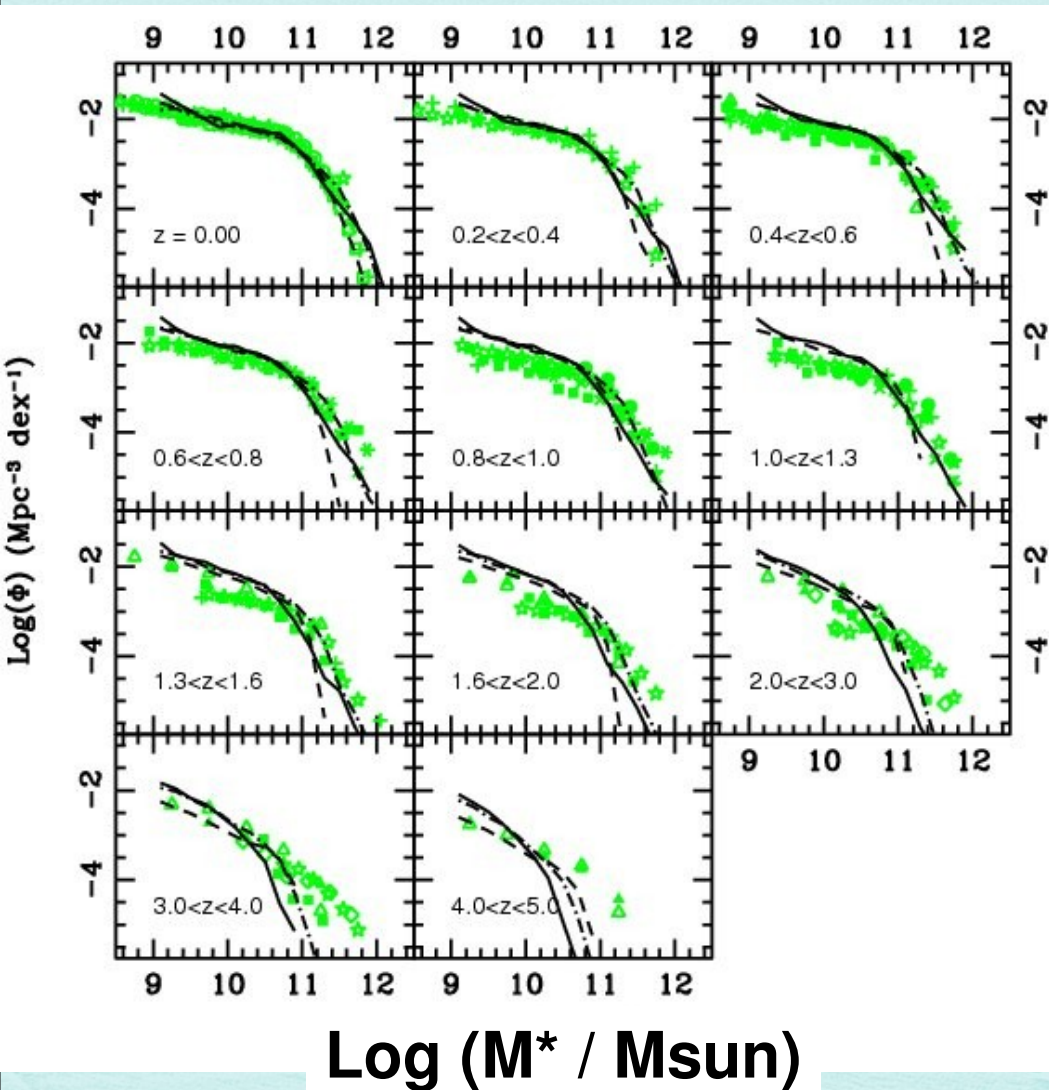
Semi-Analytical Models (SAMs)

- ◆ **This work**
 - ◆ **MORGANA**
Monaco, Fontanot & Taffoni 2007
 - ◆ **WDL08** **Wang, De Lucia +08**
 - ◆ **RSS08** **Somerville+08**
- ◆ **Different choices for the treatment of physical processes**
- ◆ **Normalized to (almost) the same subset of low-z observations**

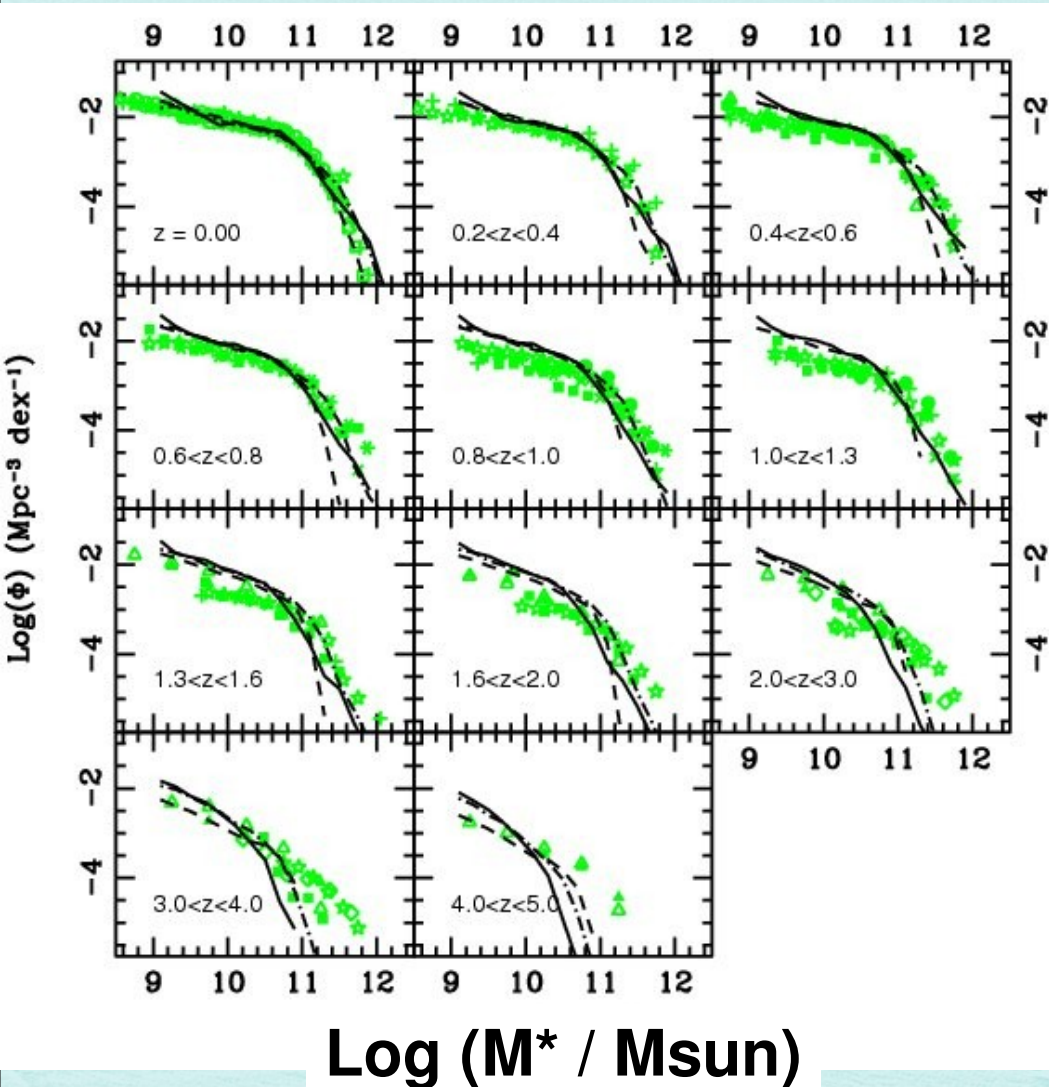


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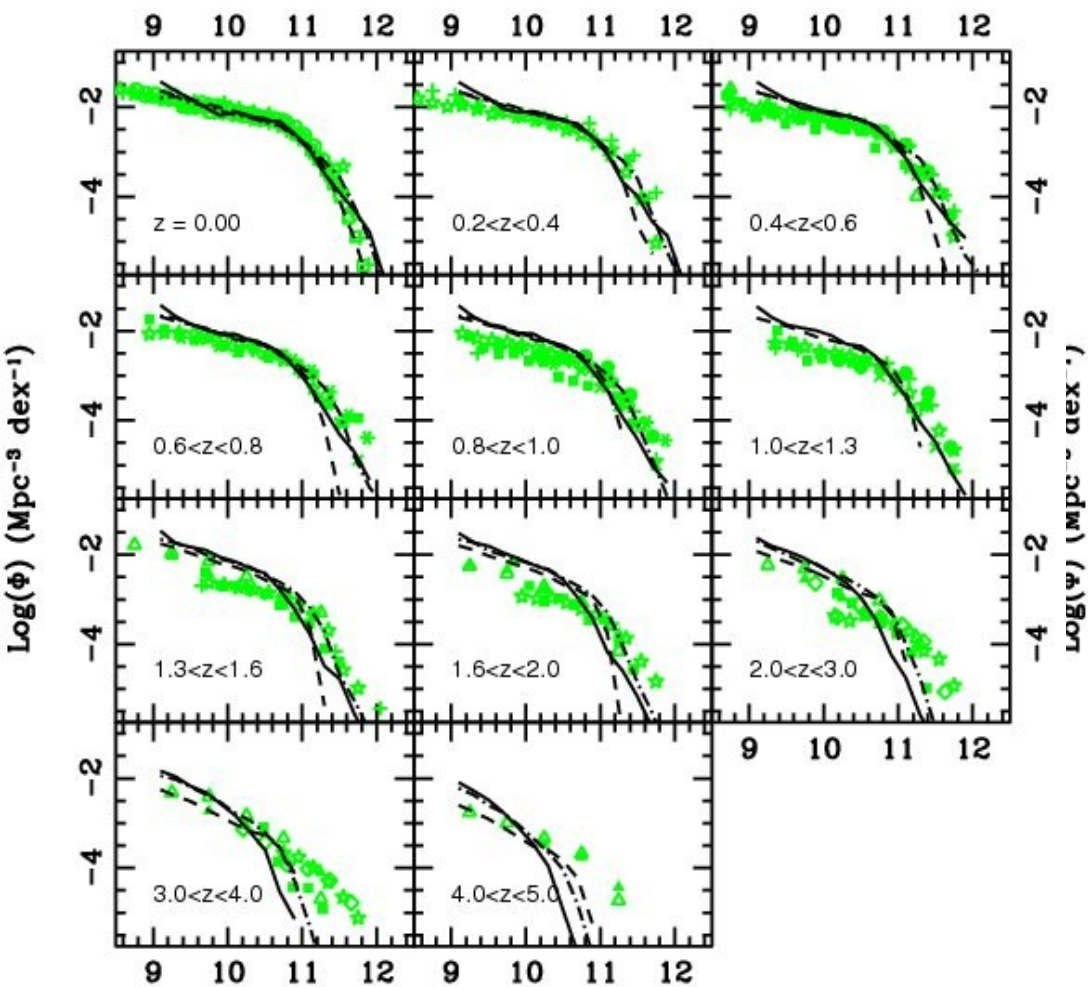


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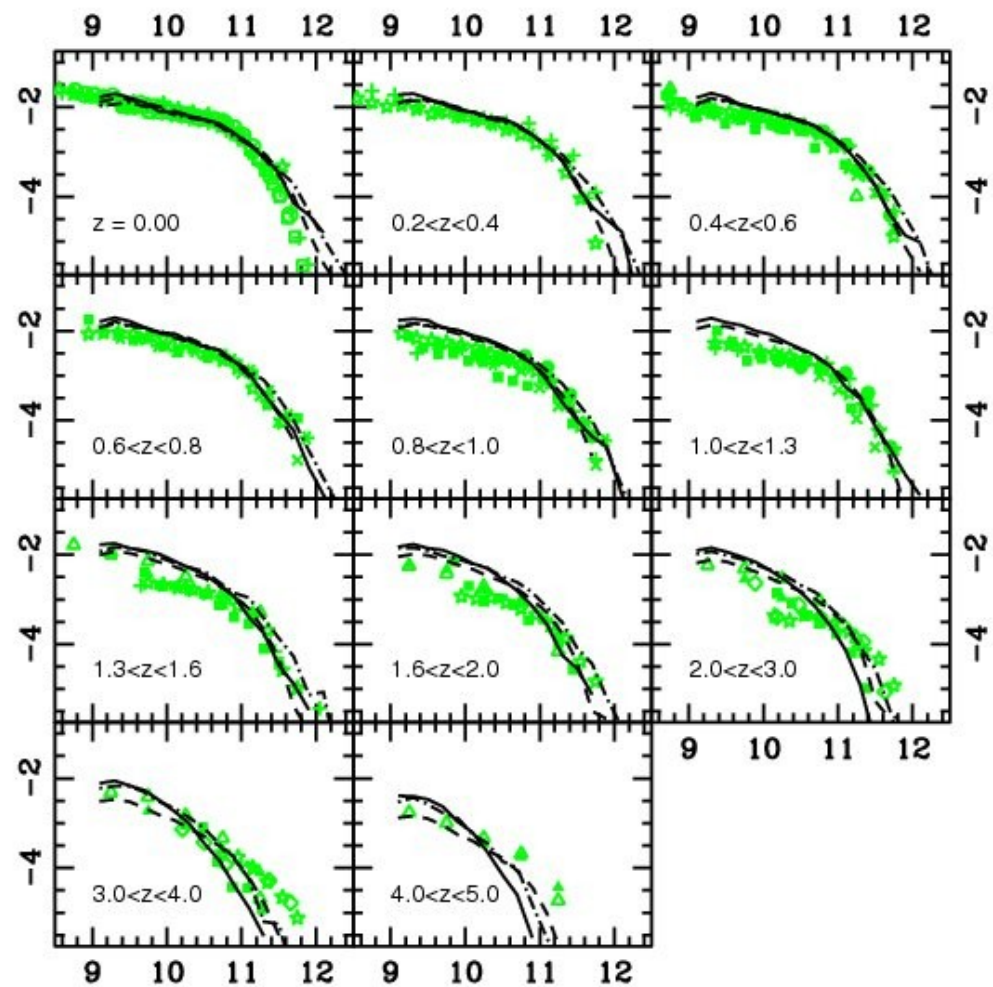


- ◆ **Error on the mass estimate**
Kitzbichler&White07
Marchesini+09
- ◆ **Normal distribution**
with $\sigma = 0.25$ dex

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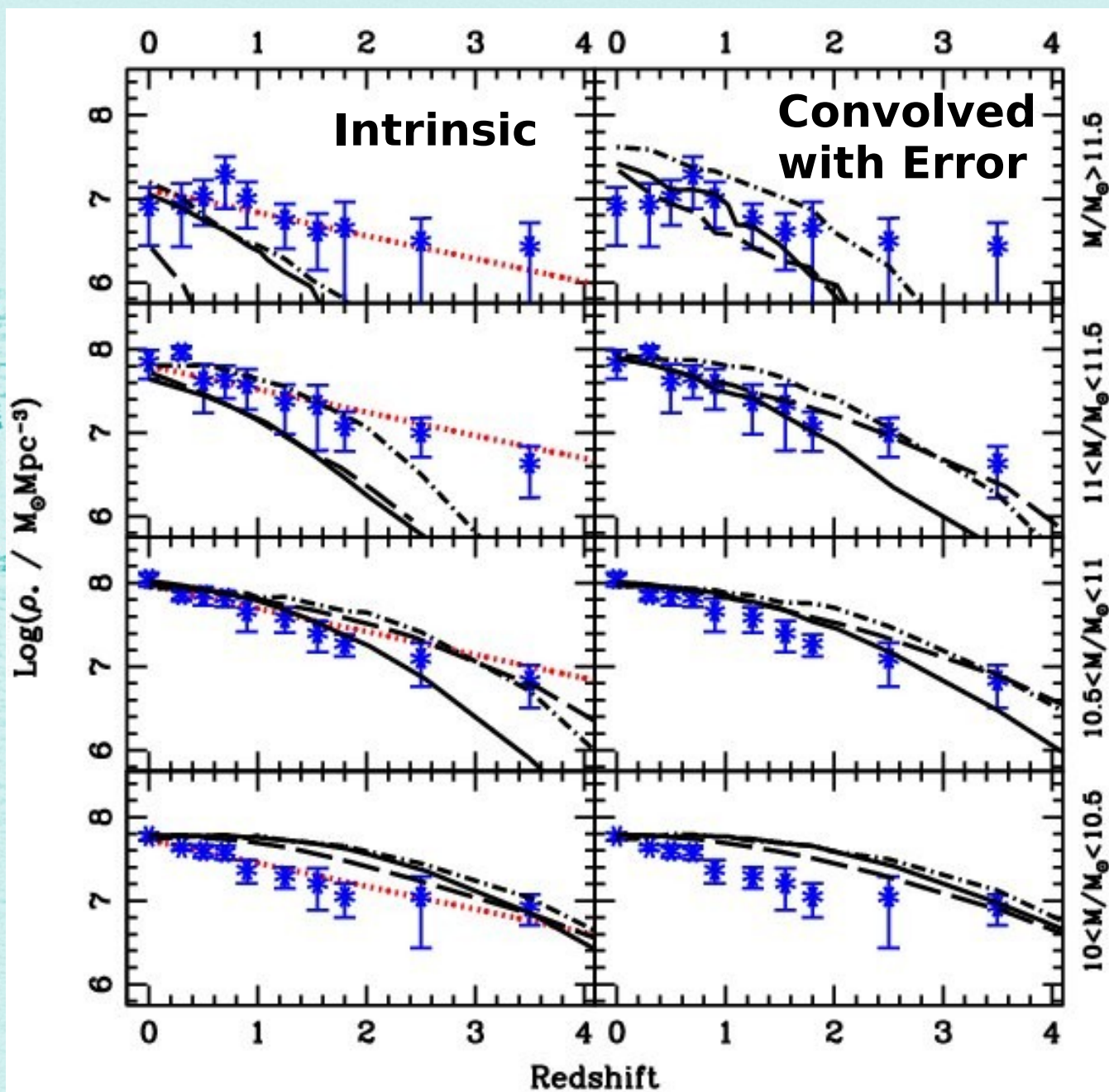


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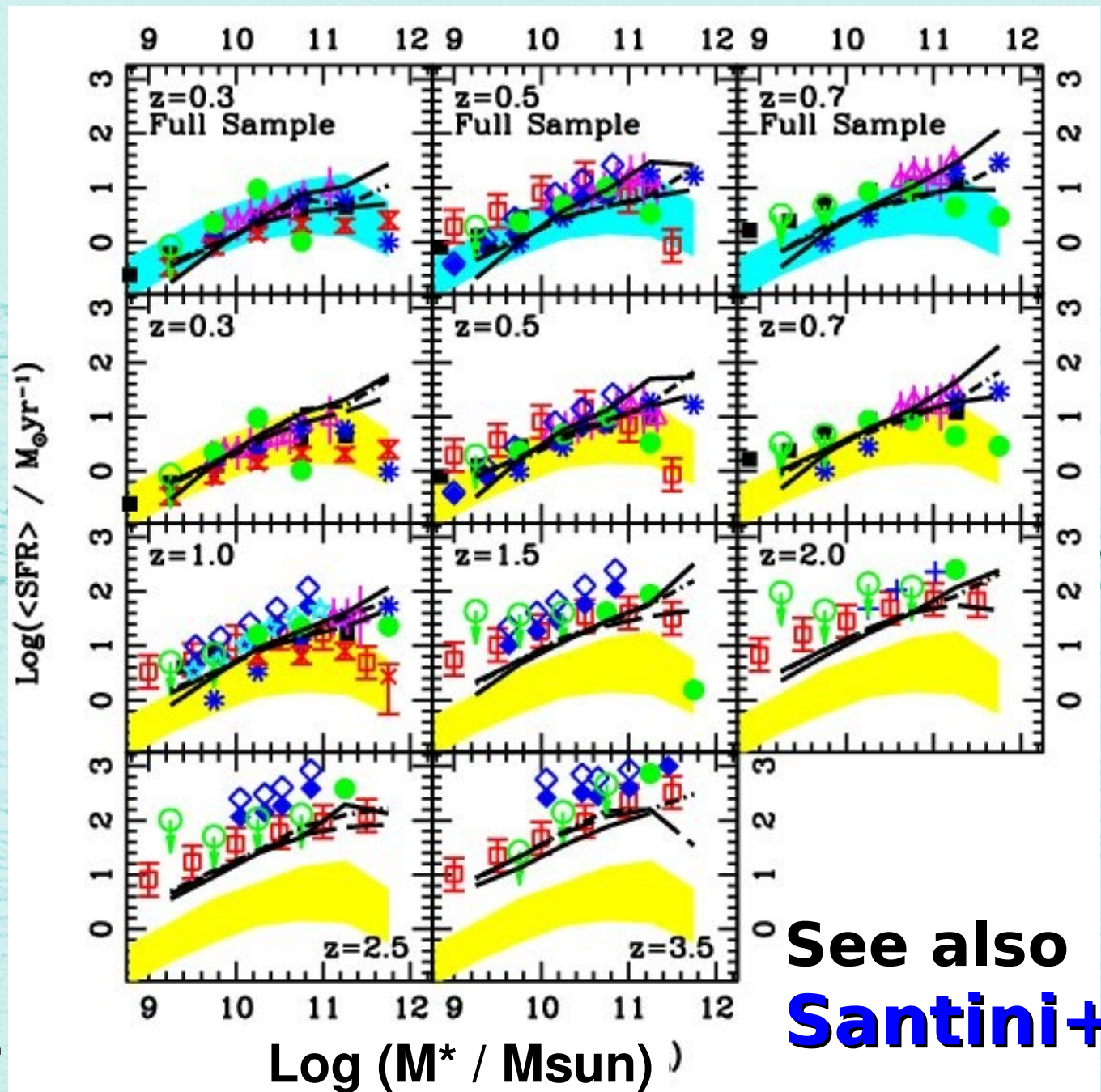
Stellar Mass Density Evolution



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DS in SFR



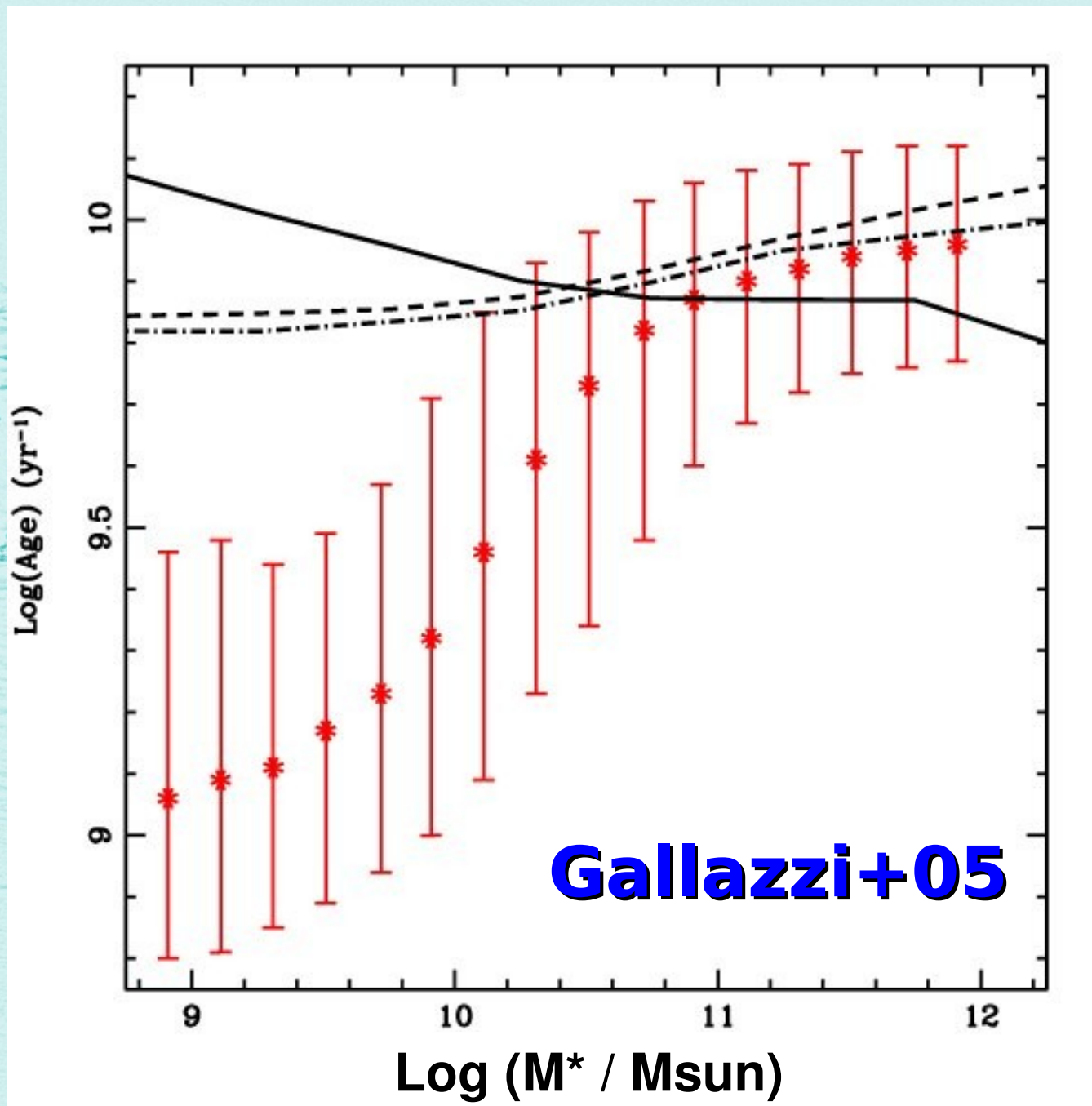
Active Galaxies
 $\text{SSFR} > 10^{-11} \text{ yr}^{-1}$
Brinchmann+04

See also
Santini+09

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Age of stellar populations



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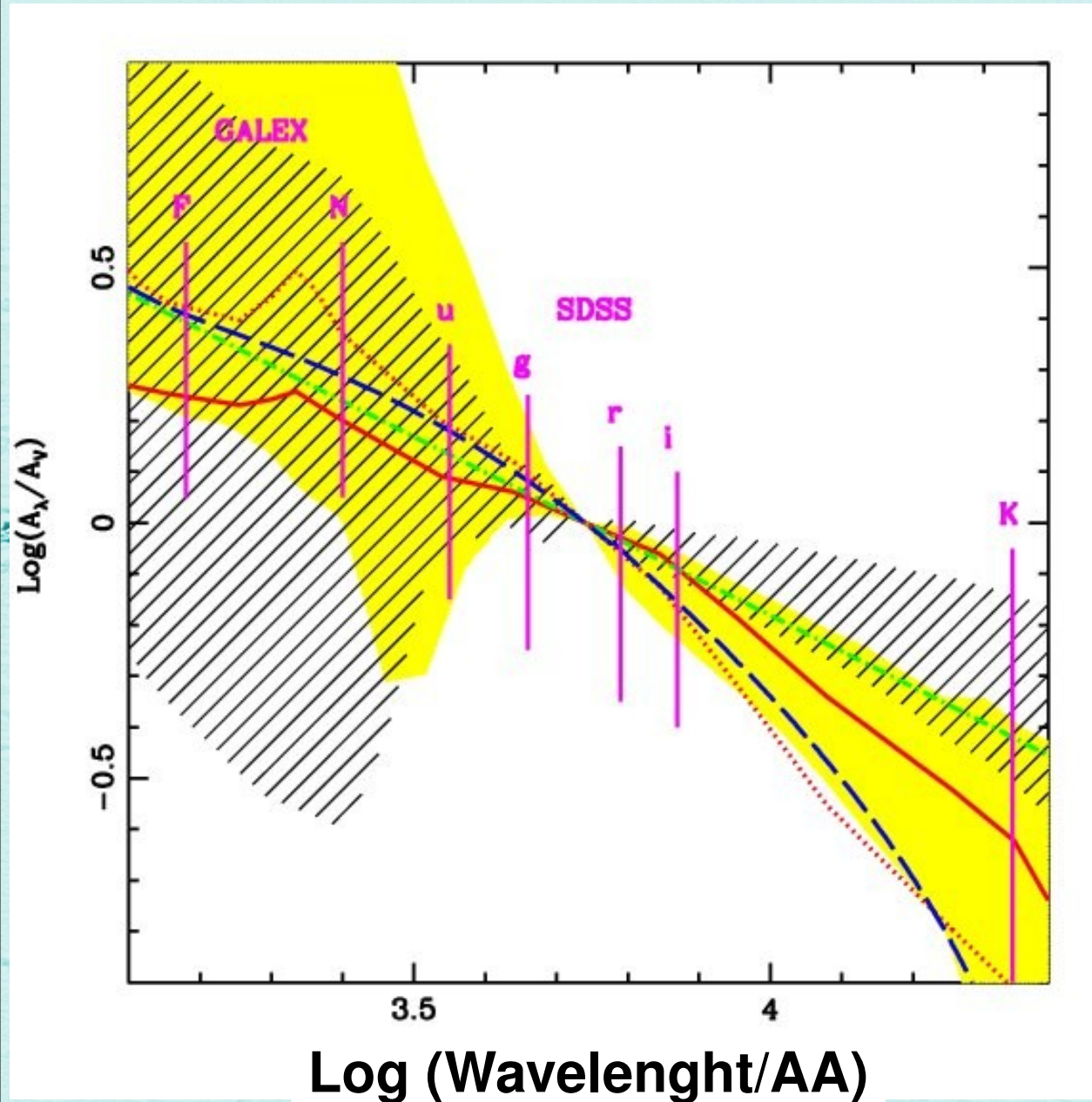
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Interlude

More Conclusions (2)

- ◆ **The error on the stellar mass and SFR determinations play a key role in the comparison between observational constraints and model predictions**
 - ◆ **Understanding the systematics**
(Stringer+08, Marchesini+08)
 - ◆ **Testing reconstruction algorithms against synthetic SEDs and star formation histories**
 - ◆ **Role of complex vs simple star formation histories**
 - ◆ **Role of dust attenuation recipes**
 - ◆ **Role of multi-wavelength photometry**

Dust modeling



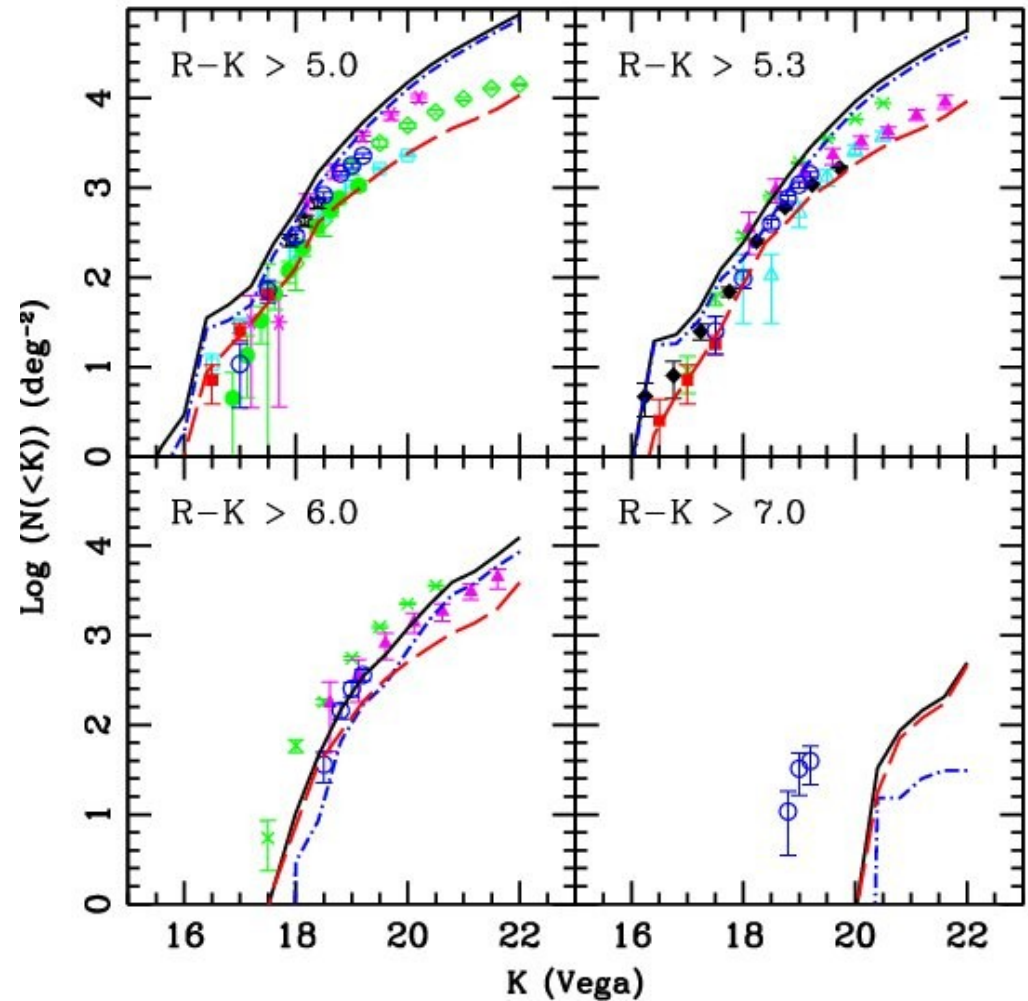
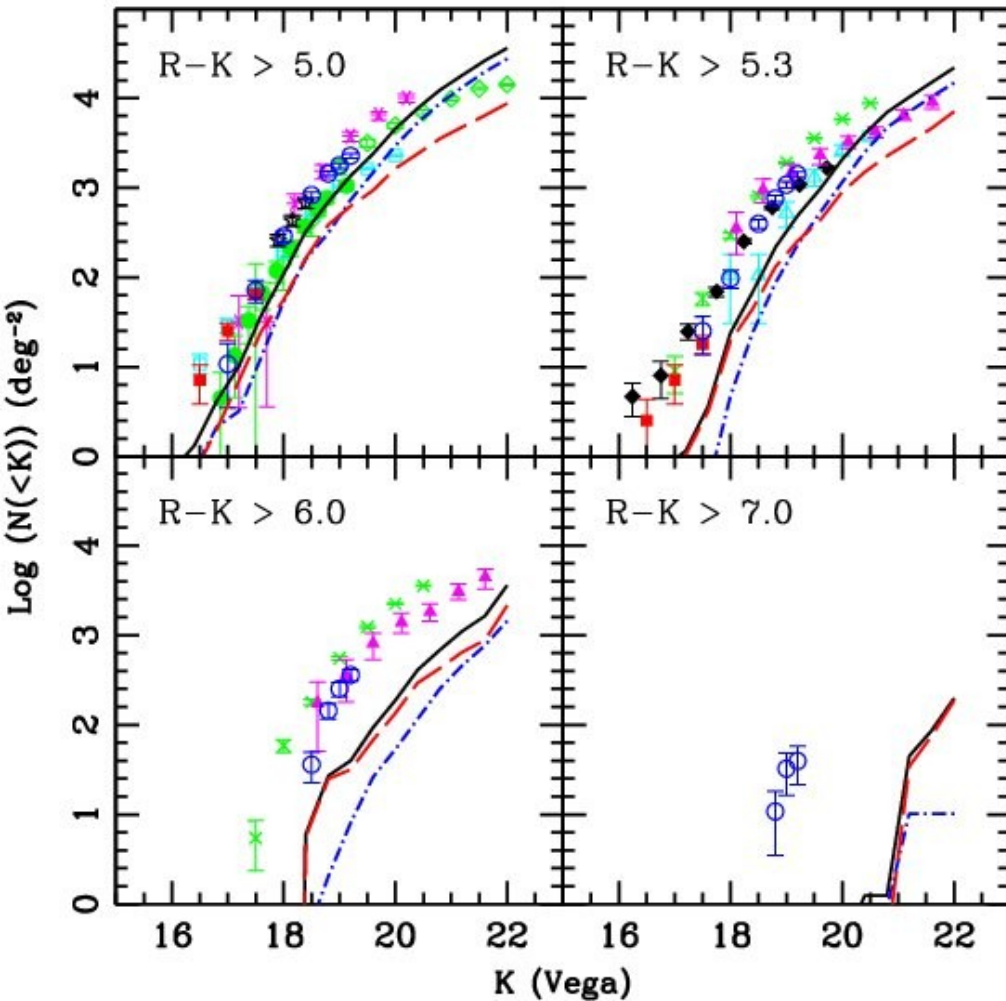
MORGANA+GRASIL
Synthetic Spectra

Fontanot+09a

SSP modeling

EROs number counts

Fontanot&Monaco10



Bertelli+94 Padova SSP

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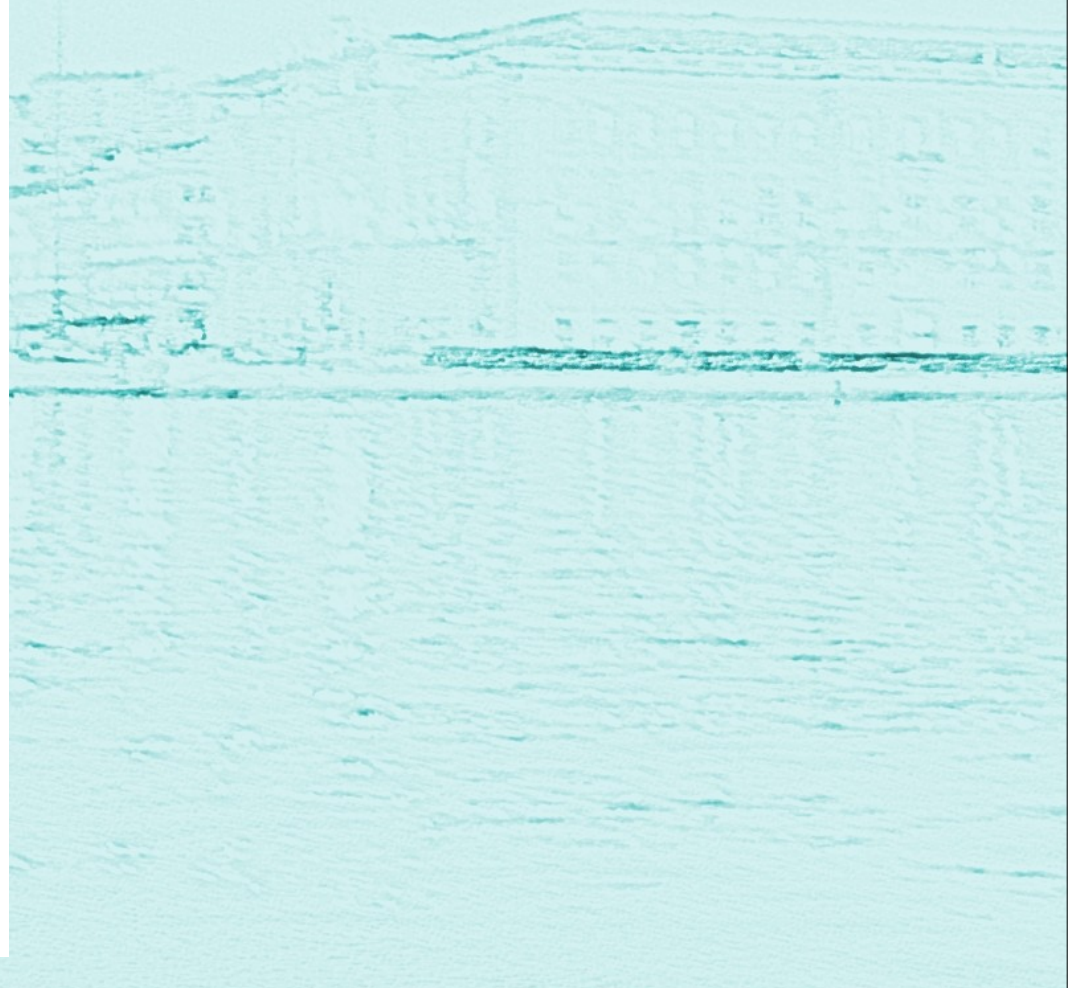
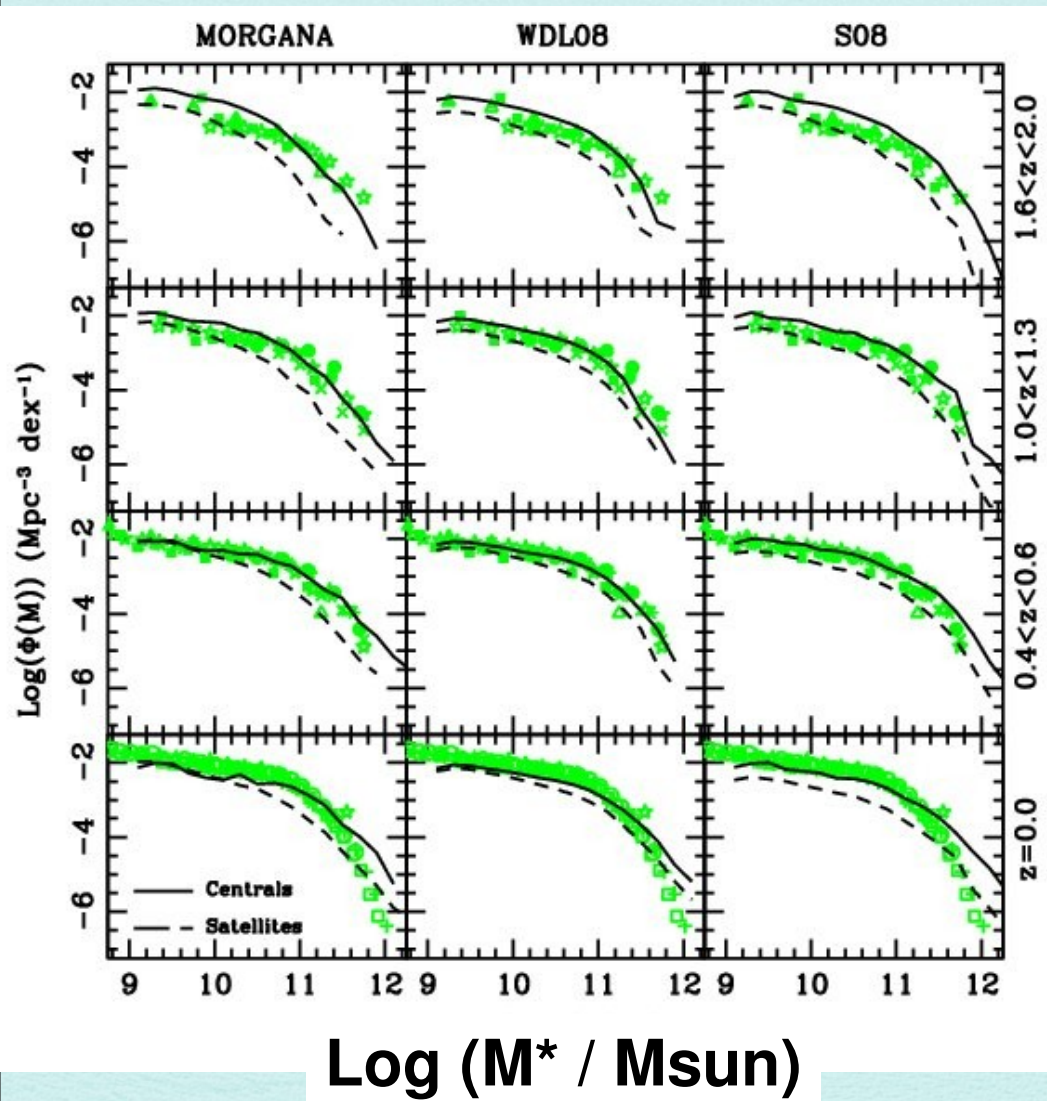
Discussion

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- ♦ **Characterizing the properties of the galaxy population determining the excess of low-mass galaxies in SAMs**
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 - ♦ **Activity**
 - ♦ **Environment**
 - ♦ **Cosmic Time**

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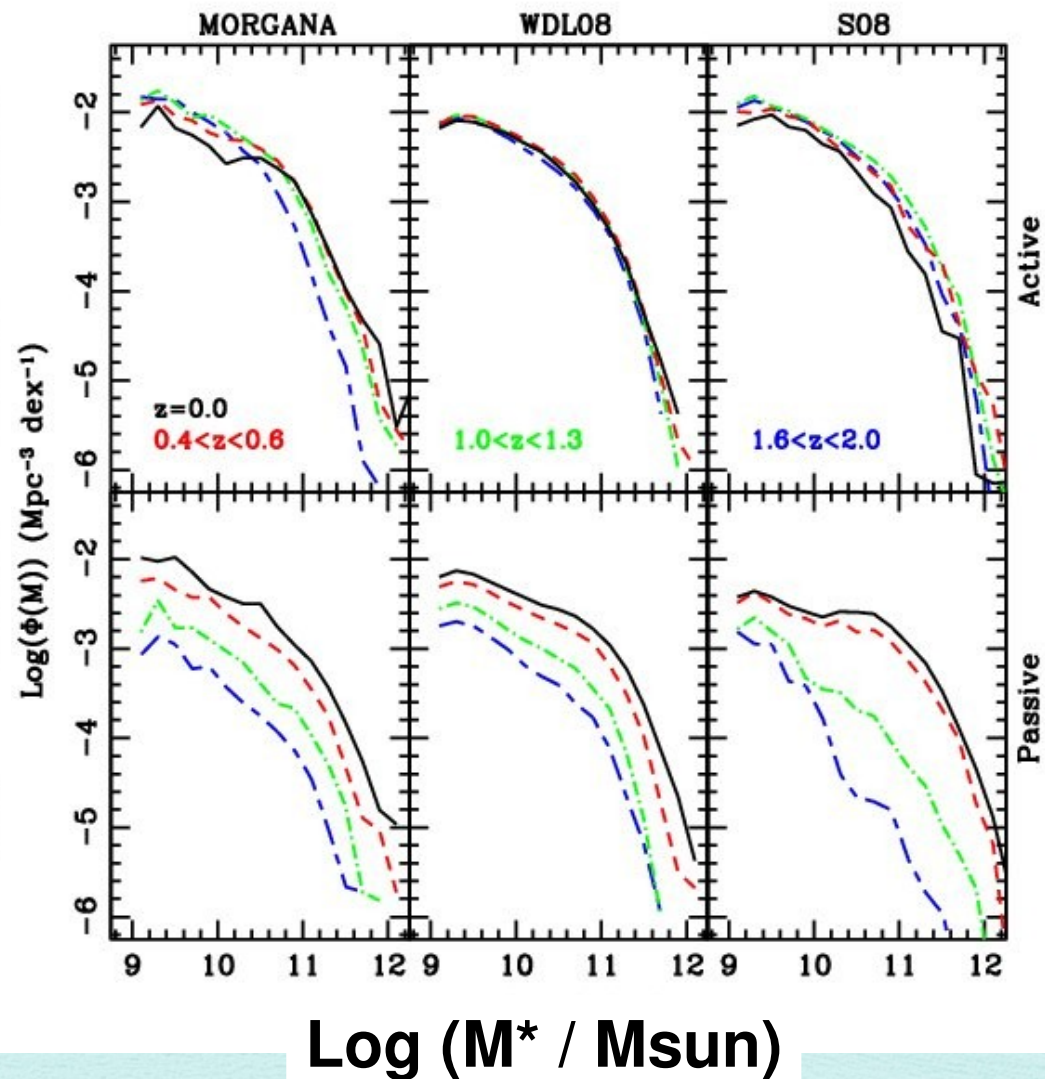
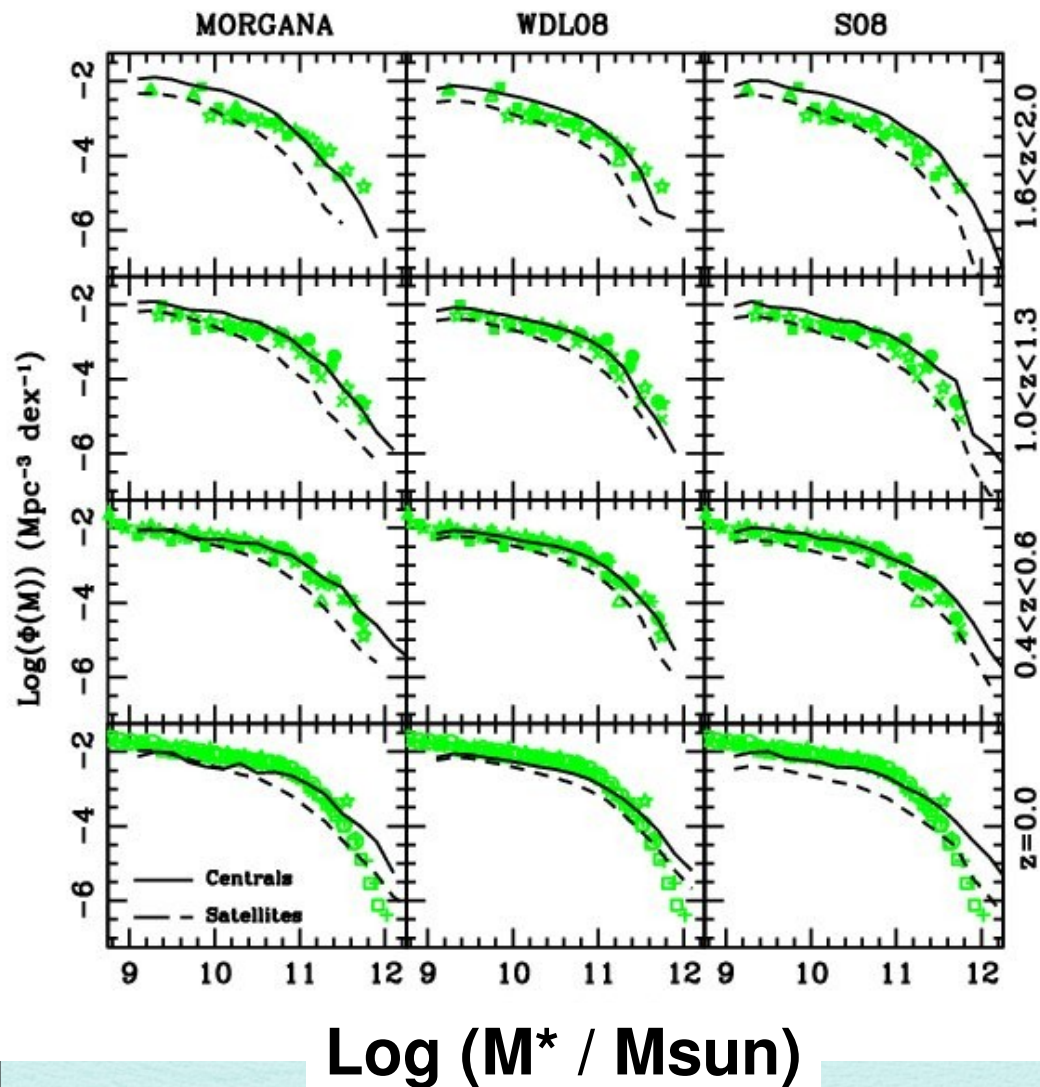
Central/Satellite Hierarchy



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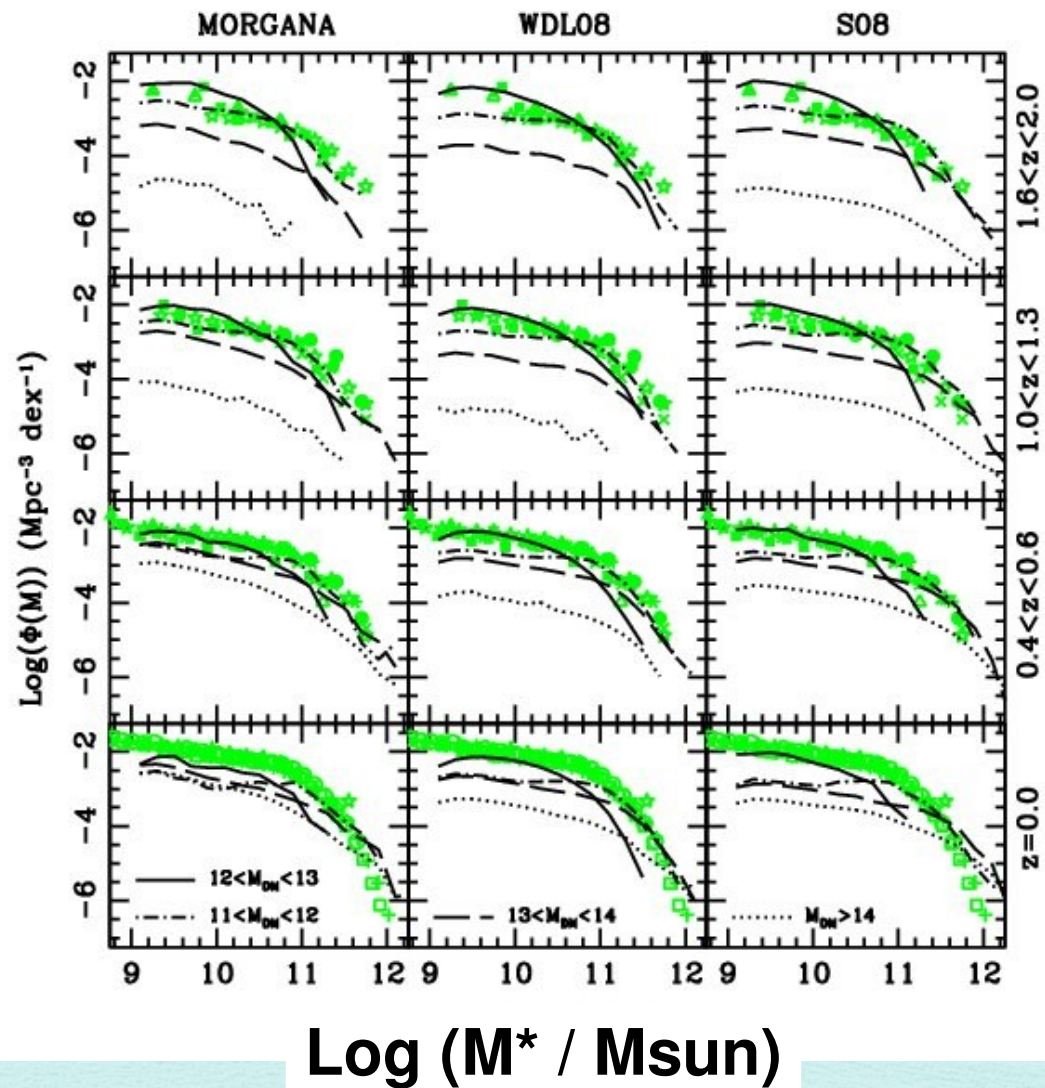
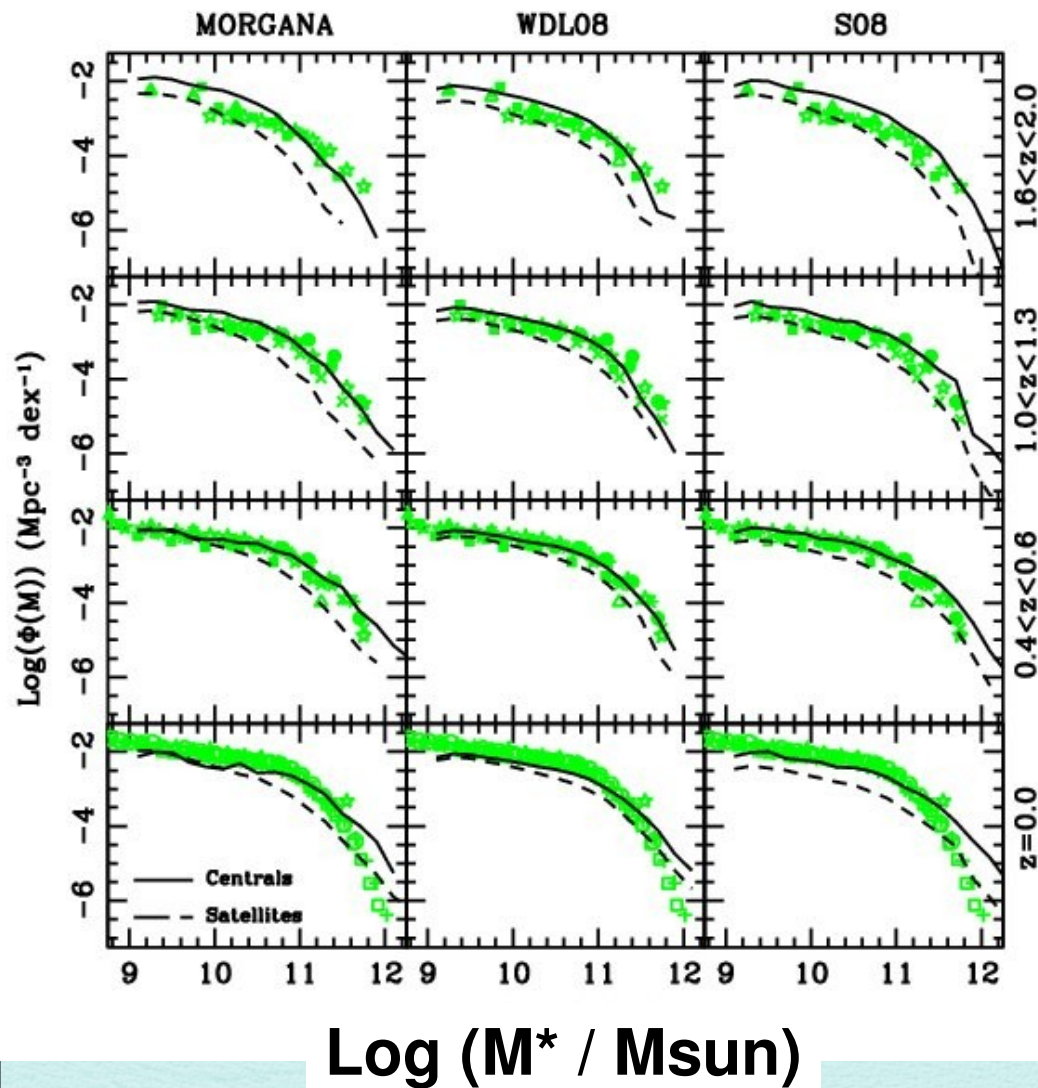
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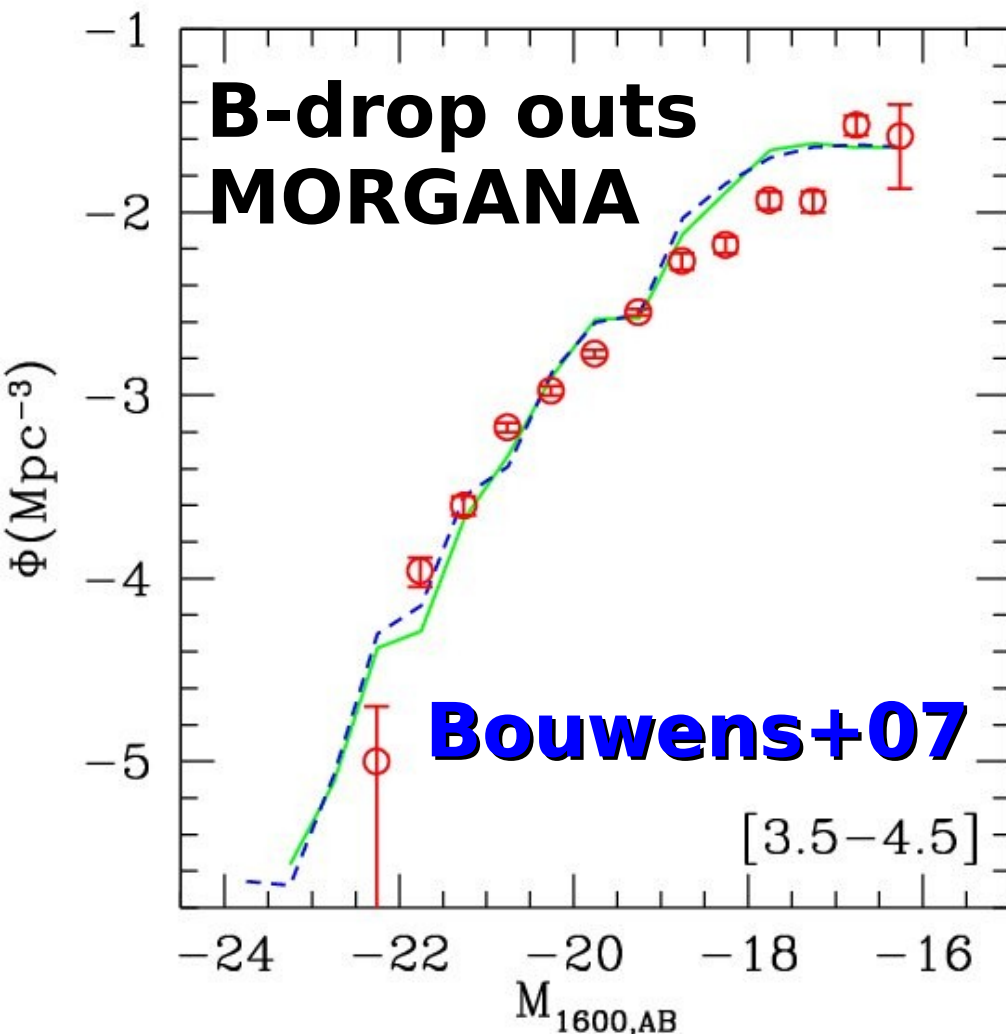
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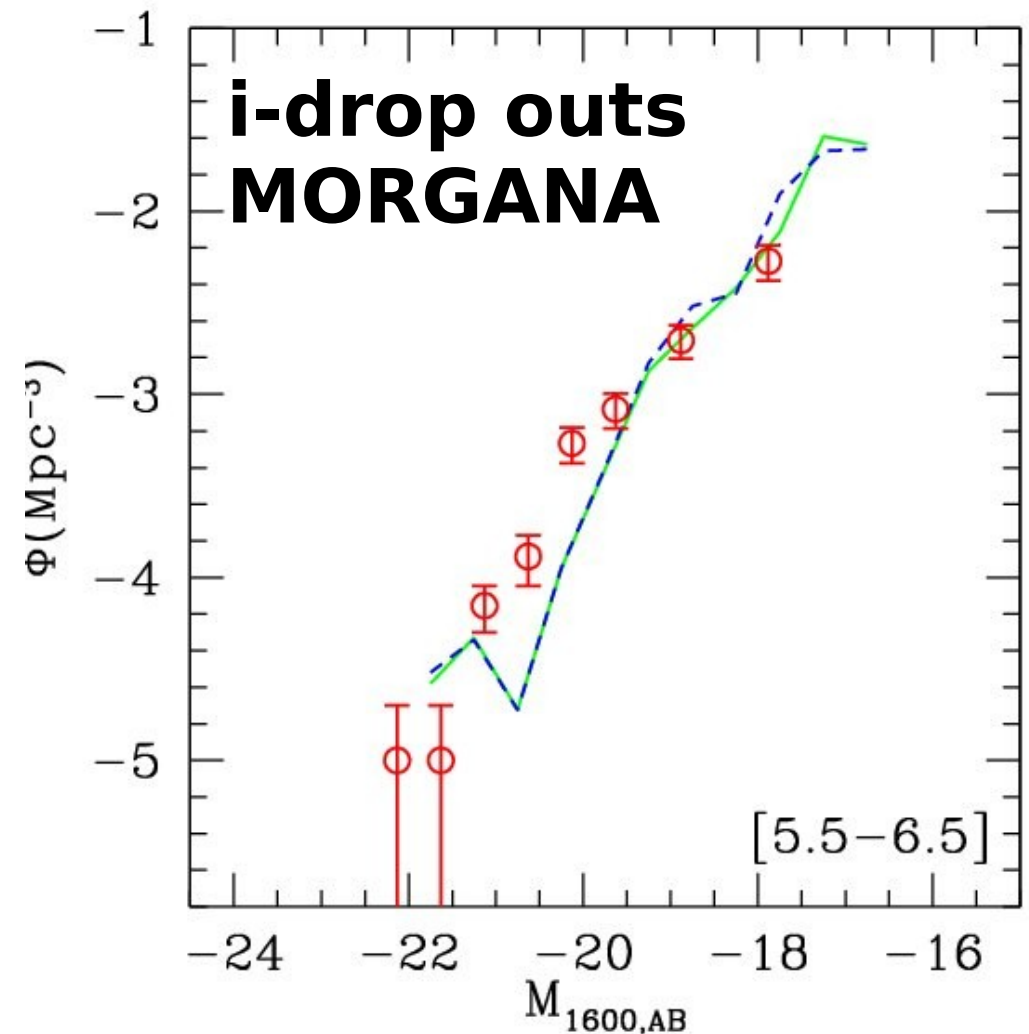
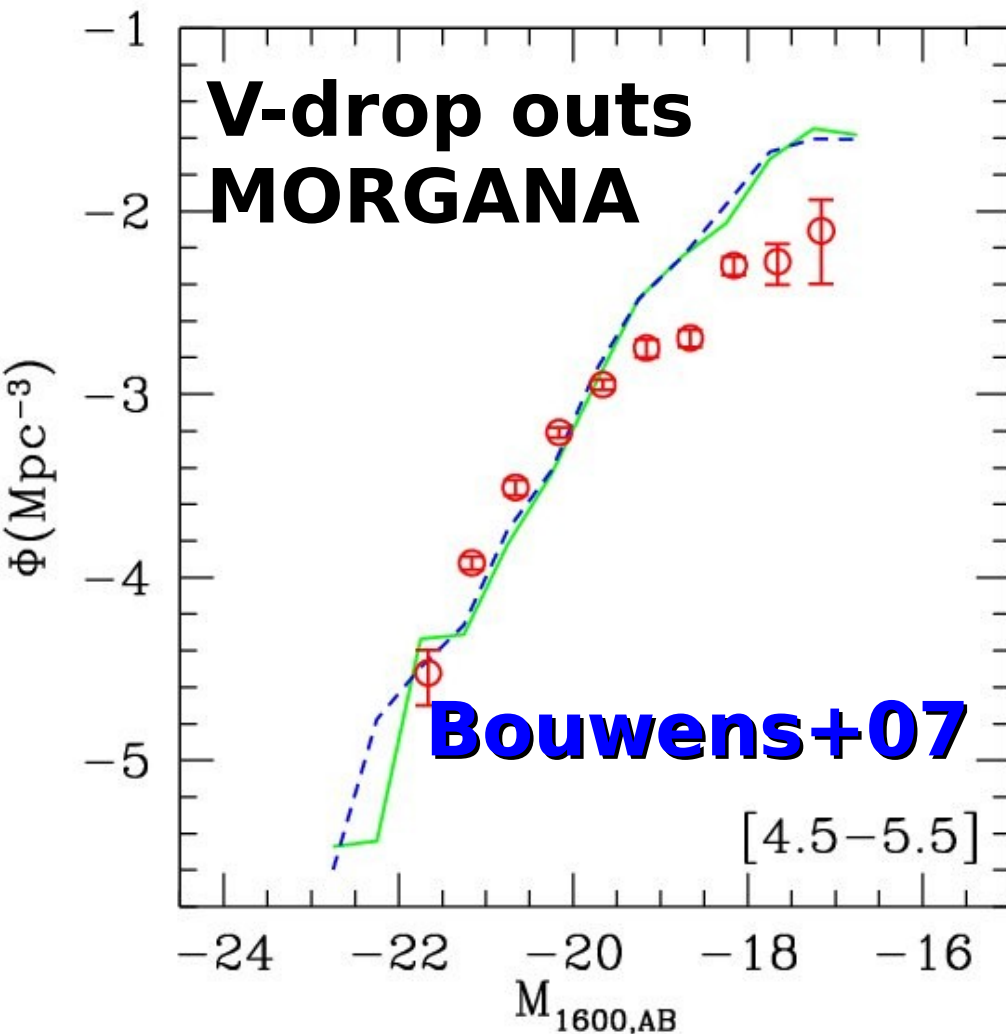
Lo Faro+09

- ◆ Same MORGANA realization
- ◆ Different dust parameters
 - ◆ Higher molecular fraction
 - ◆ Faster escape time
- ◆ Calibrated to reproduce the bright tail of UV LF

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Conclusions (3)

- ♦ **Central Galaxies hosted in rather massive halos $z > 2$ are responsible for the excess of low-mass objects in SAMs**
 - ♦ **High-redshift halos with $V_{\text{circ}} \sim 100\text{-}200\text{ km/s}$**
 - ♦ **Physical mechanisms acting on this scale**