

The contribution of Quasars and Galaxies to the UV background

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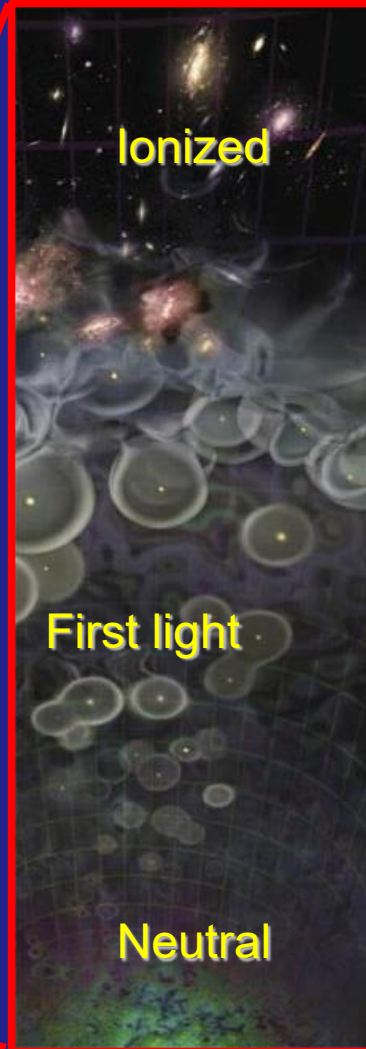
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HI reionization: why is it important?

History of the Universe



Reionization



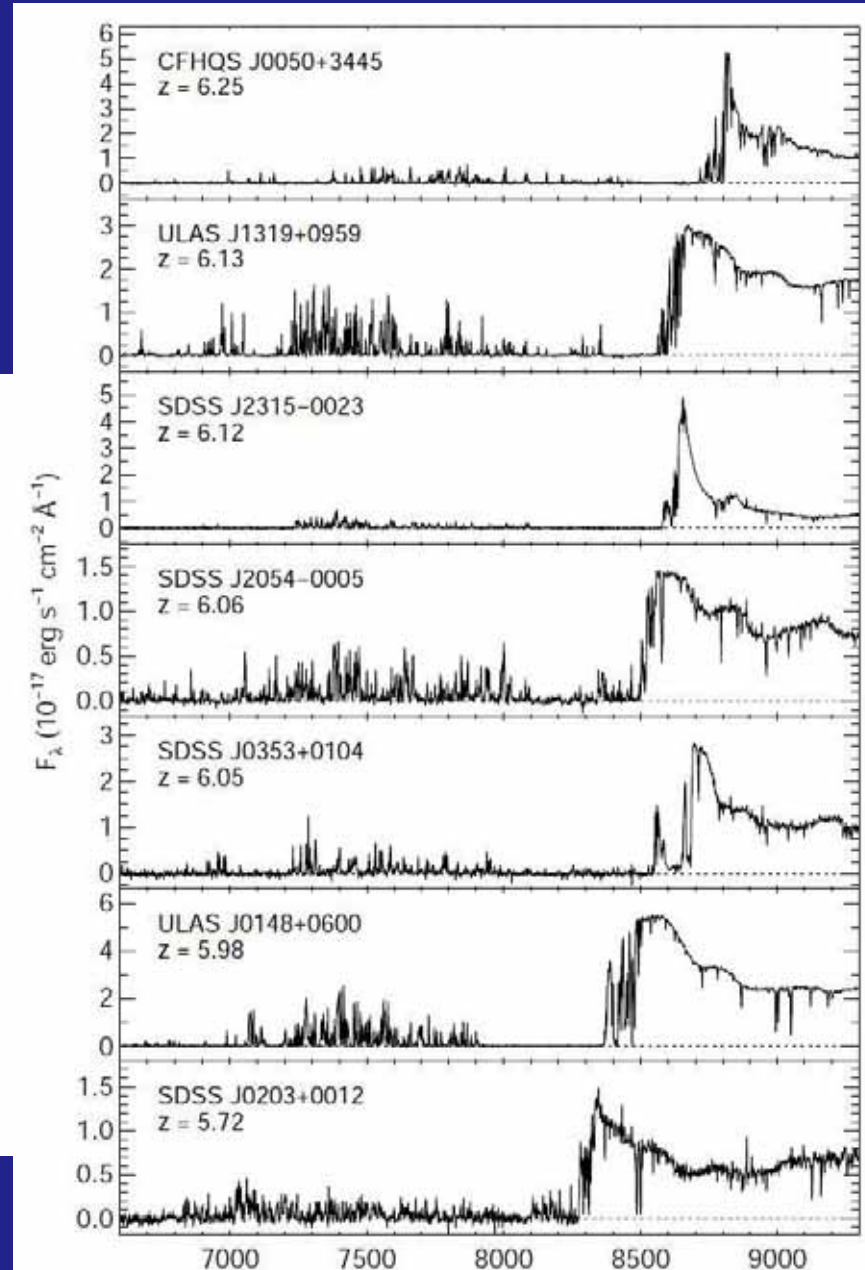
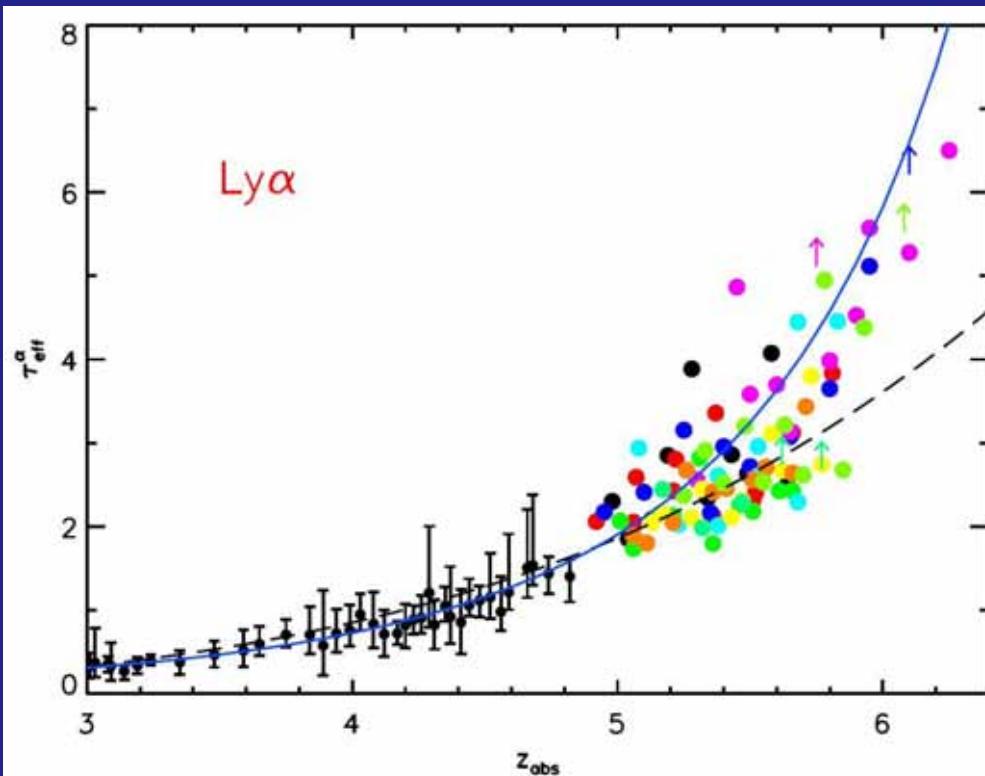
- first structures produce γ s that end the Dark Ages
- γ s affect gas cooling (consequently SF)
- and the collapse of (small) dark matter halos
- critical interplay

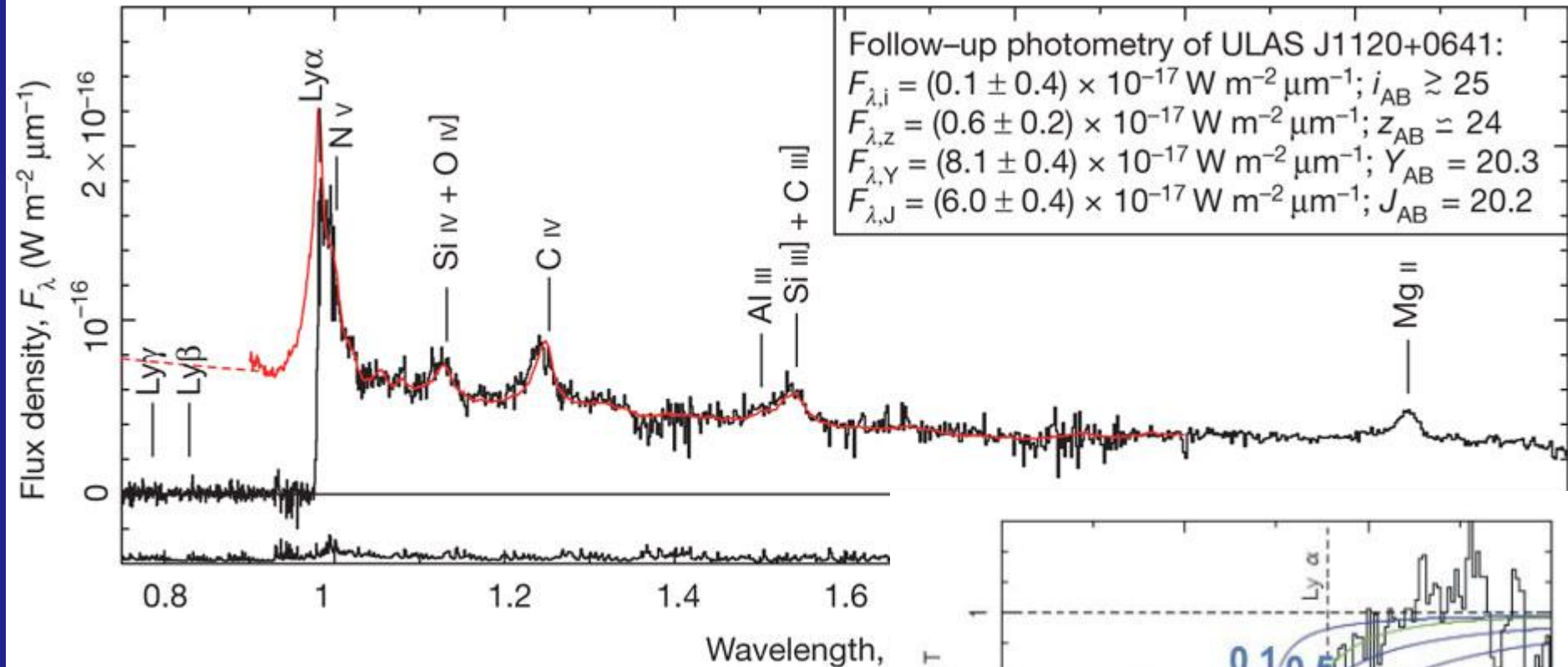
- **What sources were responsible for reionization? Were galaxies responsible of that?**
- **When and how did reionization Occur?**
- **What keeps the Universe ionized down to lower redshift?**

HI reionization: constraints (1) Ly forest

QSO Gunn-Peterson trough

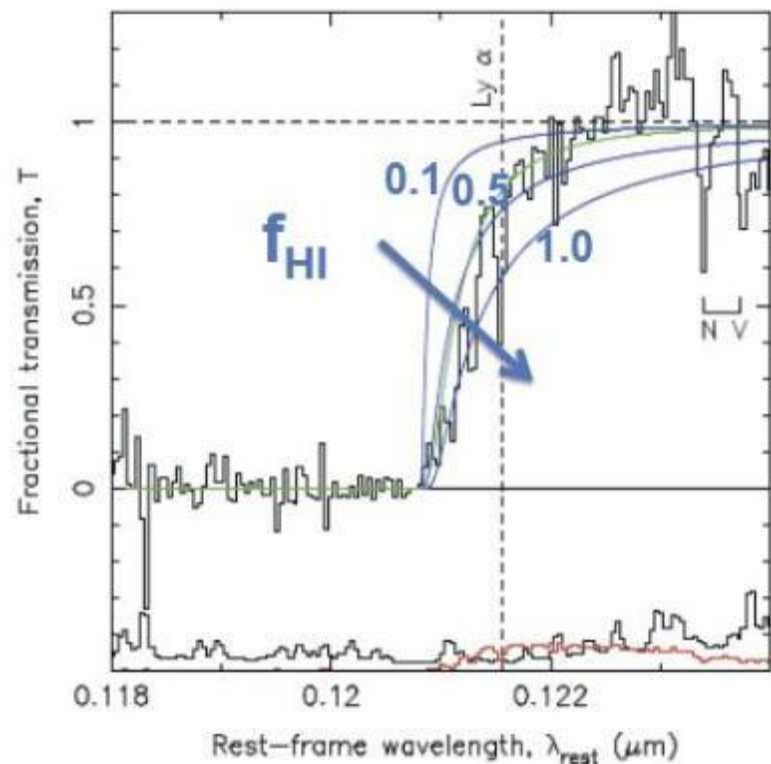
→ IGM ionized by $z \sim 6$ (Fan+06, see also McGreer 2011, Becker+, 2007, 2015)





ULAS J1120+0641
 Damping wing @
 $Z(\text{systemic}) = 7.085$
 $f_{\text{HI}} > 0.1$

(Mortlock+11, Bolton+11)

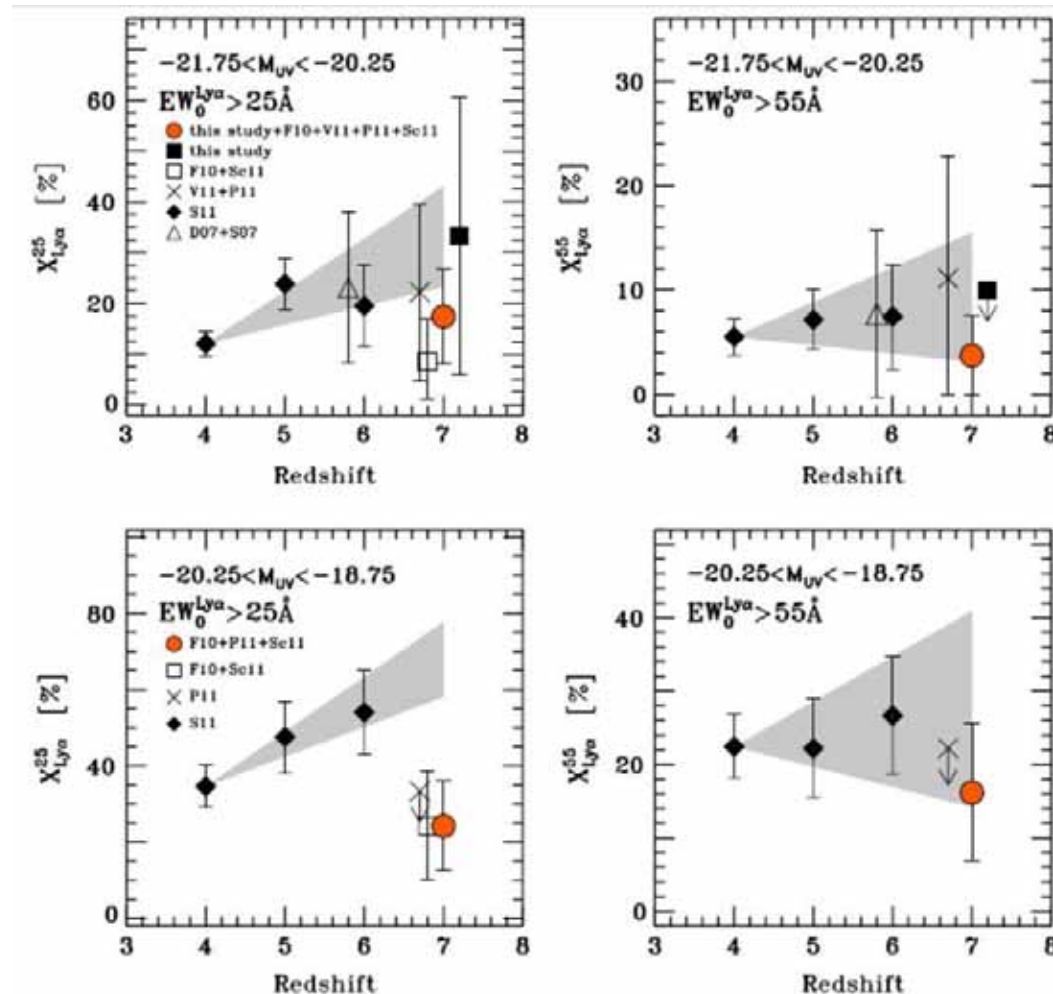


Lack of Ly α emission as a tracer of increasingly neutral IGM/CGM

Since the beginning interpreted as

increased IGM absorption \rightarrow onset of re-ionization!

(Stark+10, Fontana+10, Pentericci+11, Ono+12, Treu+12, 13, Schenker+12, 14)



Ono+12

Konno+14: 7 LAE observed, ~65 expected

ACCELERATED EVOLUTION OF $\text{Ly}\alpha$ LUMINOSITY FUNCTION AT $z \gtrsim 7$

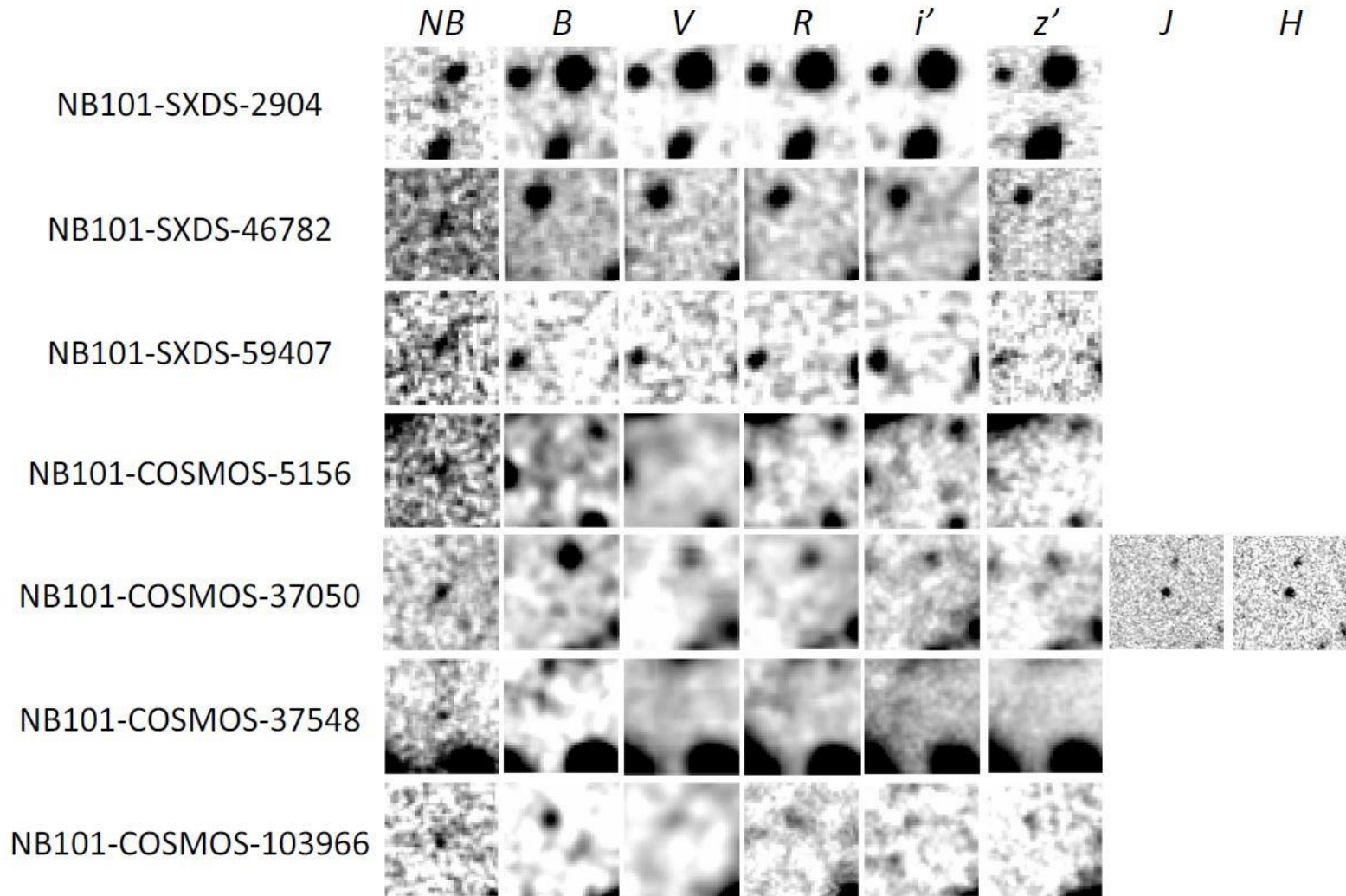
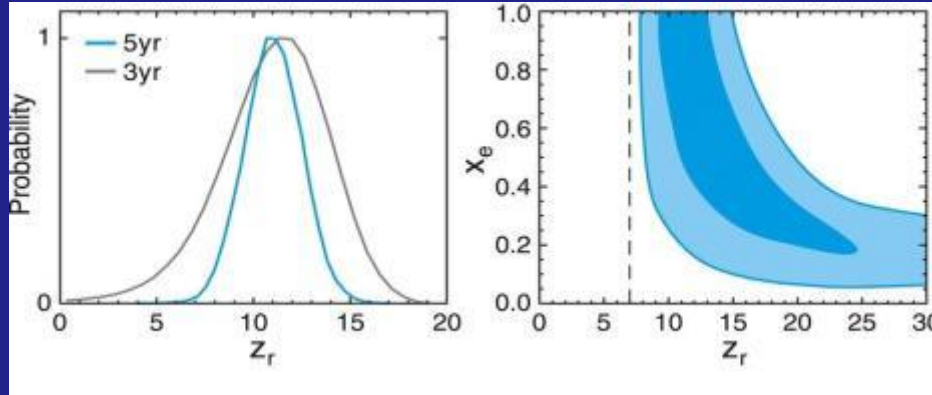


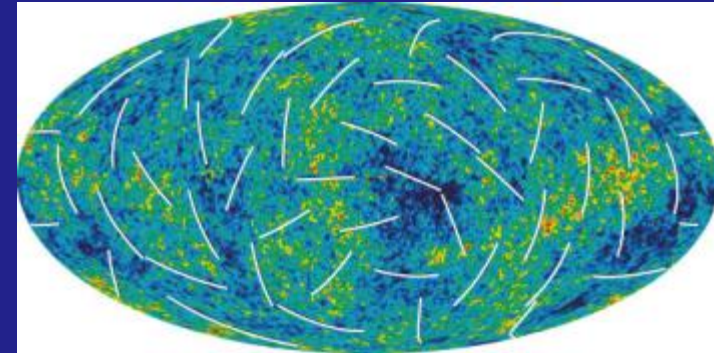
Figure 4. Snapshots of our $z = 7.3$ LAE candidates. The size of each image is $6'' \times 6''$. North is up and east is to the left.

HI reionization: constraints (2) CMB



WMAP

WMAP : Thomson optical depth of the IGM via the large scale polarization
 → Reion. began at $z \sim 10-15$ (Dunkley+09)



Reionization $z(\text{reion}) = 10.6 \pm 1.2$
 Komatsu+11
 (instantaneous)

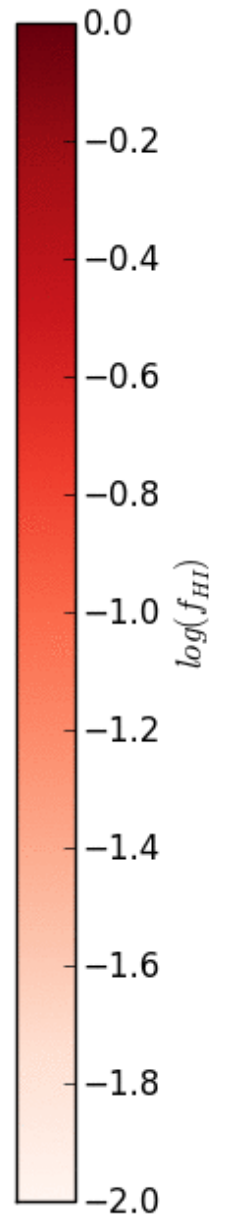
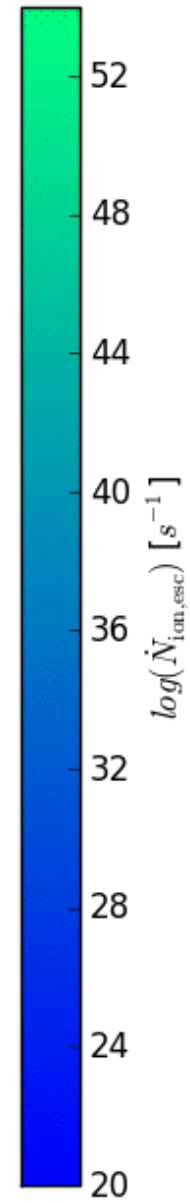
$\tau = 0.17 \pm 0.08$ (WMAP1, 2003)
 $\tau = 0.09 \pm 0.03$ (WMAP3, 2007)
 $\tau = 0.087 \pm 0.017$ (WMAP5, 2009)
 $\tau = 0.088 \pm 0.015$ (WMAP7, 2010)

→ $z(\text{ri}) = 17 \pm 3$
 $11 < z(\text{ri}) < 30$

PLANCK Collab. 2014 $z(\text{re}) = 11 \pm 1$

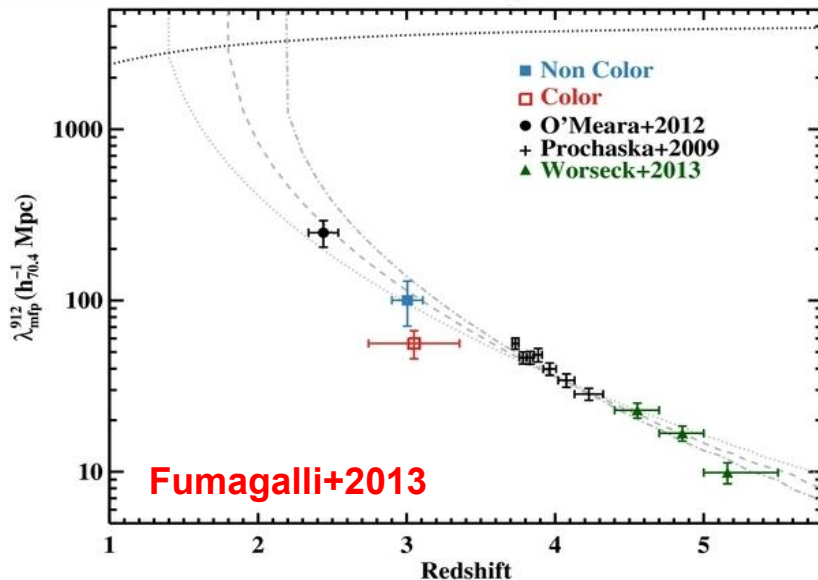
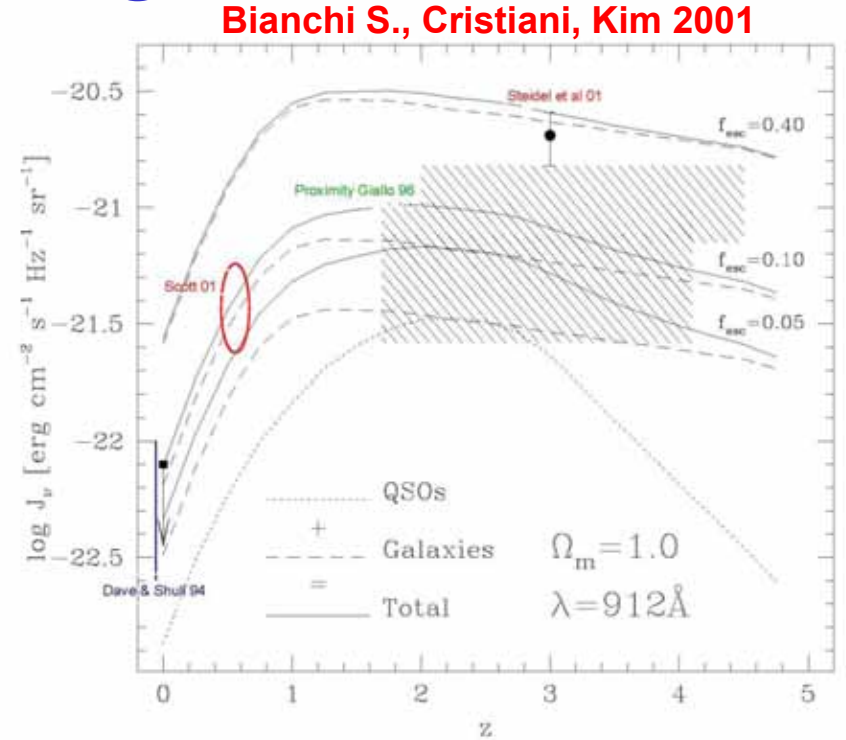
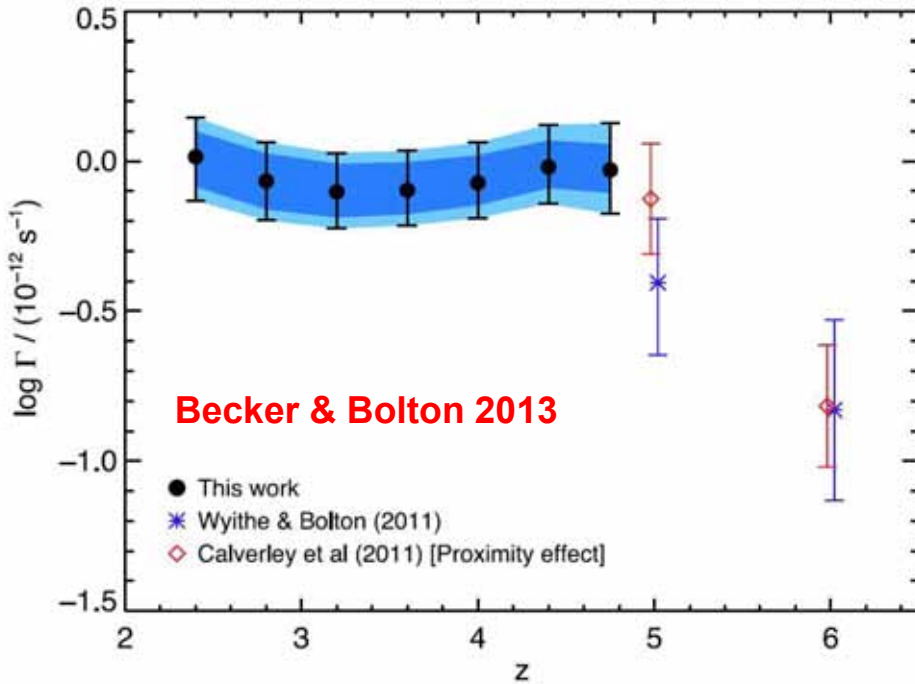
$\tau = 0.066 \pm 0.016$ 2015 $z(\text{re}) = 8.8 +1.7 -1.4$ ←

$z = 19.00$



Norman+ 2016

The UV Background



from IGM simulations/proximity
 compare with emission from
 Galaxies/AGN and with IGM
 opacity (e.g. mfp @ 912 Å)

LBG Contribution

- High-z LBG-LFs [Bouwens+11a,b](#)

- Rate of emitted ionizing photons

$$\rho_{\text{SFR}}(z) \text{ (M}_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}) = \frac{\rho_{\text{UV}}(z) \text{ (erg s}^{-1} \text{ Hz}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-3})}{1.05 \times 10^{28}}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{LBG}}(z) \text{ (s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}) = \kappa f_{\text{esc}} \rho_{\text{SFR}}(z)$$

- Total required ionizing photon rate [Madau+99](#)

$$\Gamma_{\text{ion}}(z) \text{ (s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}) = 0.027 \kappa \left(\frac{C}{30} \right) \left(\frac{1+z}{7} \right)^3 \left(\frac{\Omega_b h_{70}^2}{0.0465} \right)^2$$

$$C(z) = 1 + 43 \times z^{-1.71}$$

[Haardt&Madau12](#)

Observations: escape fraction of ionizing radiation (LyC) at $z < 4$ gas transmission, dust extinction (+ geometry)

Intrinsic ionizing photons unknown: commonly adopted strategy is to compare the observed flux at LyC to the observed flux at a frequency where the intrinsic emissivity can be inferred.

$$\left(\frac{f_{1500}}{f_{LyC}}\right)_{OBS} = \left(\frac{L_{1500}}{L_{LyC}}\right)_{INT} \times 10^{-0.4(A_{1500} - A_{LyC})} \times e^{\tau_{HI,IGM}(LyC)} \times e^{\tau_{HI,ISM}(LyC)}, \quad (1)$$

Siana+07
Vanzella+12

$$f_{esc,rel} \equiv \frac{(L_{1500}/L_{LyC})_{int}}{(F_{1500}/F_{LyC})_{obs}} \exp(\tau_{LyC}^{IGM}), \quad (2)$$

Steidel+01

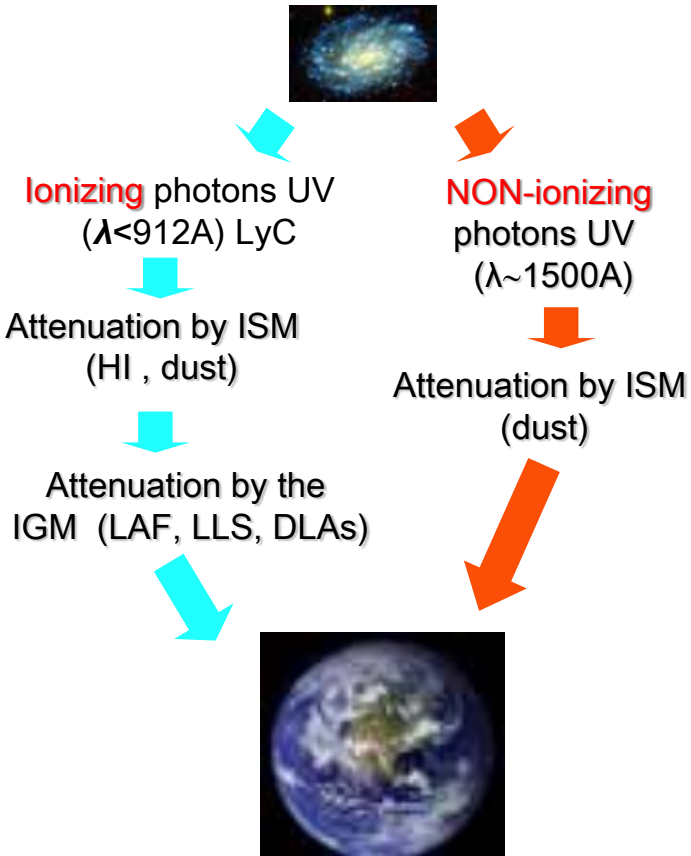
$$f_{esc} = 10^{-0.4A_{1500}} f_{esc,rel}$$

$$f_{esc} = \exp[-\tau_{HI,ISM}(LyC)] \times 10^{-0.4(A_{LyC})} \quad (3)$$

< 1 **< 1**

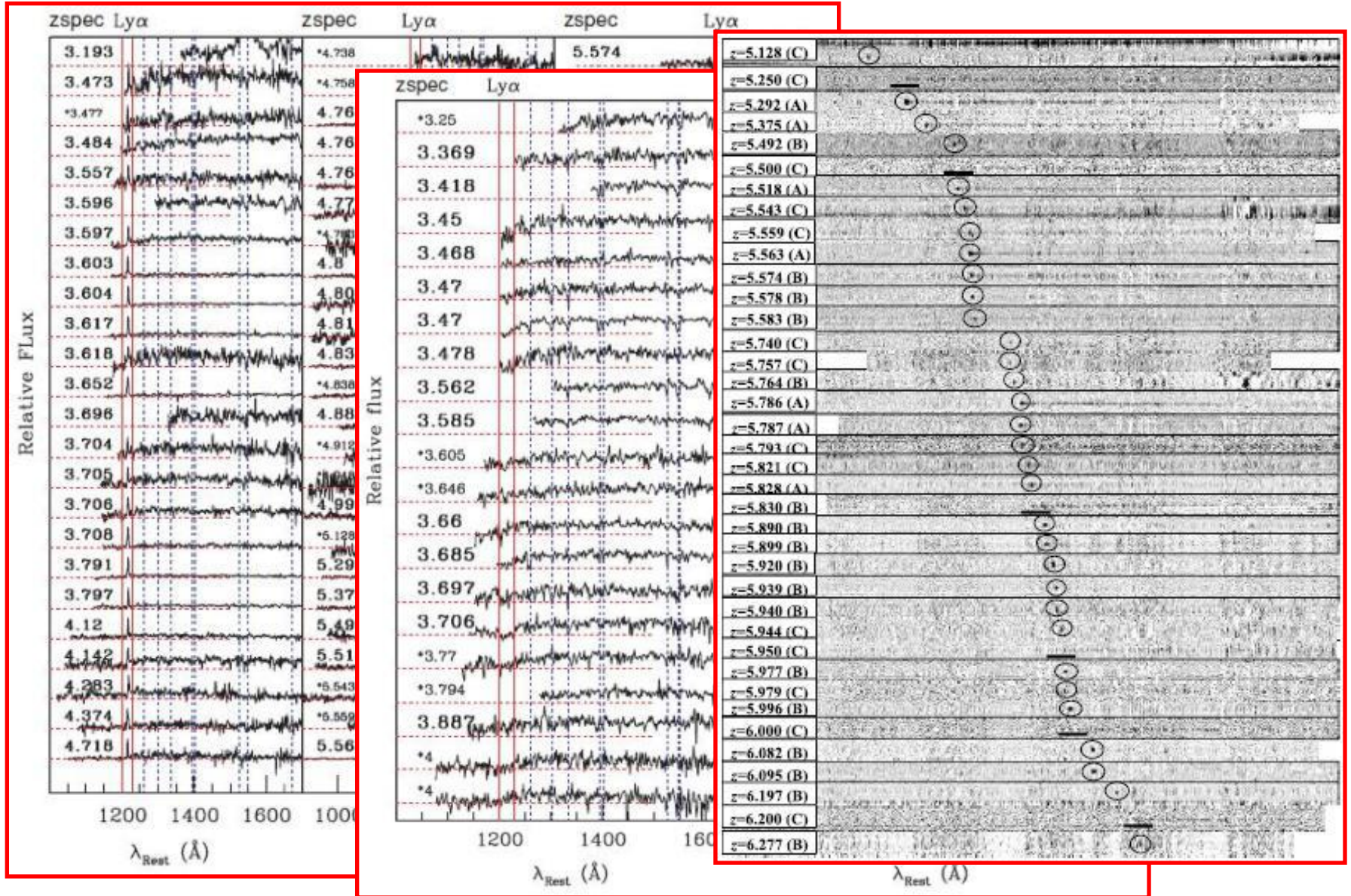
$$10^{-0.4(A_{1500} - A_{LyC})} \times f_{esc,rel} = \exp[-\tau_{HI,ISM}(LyC)] \quad (4)$$

< 1

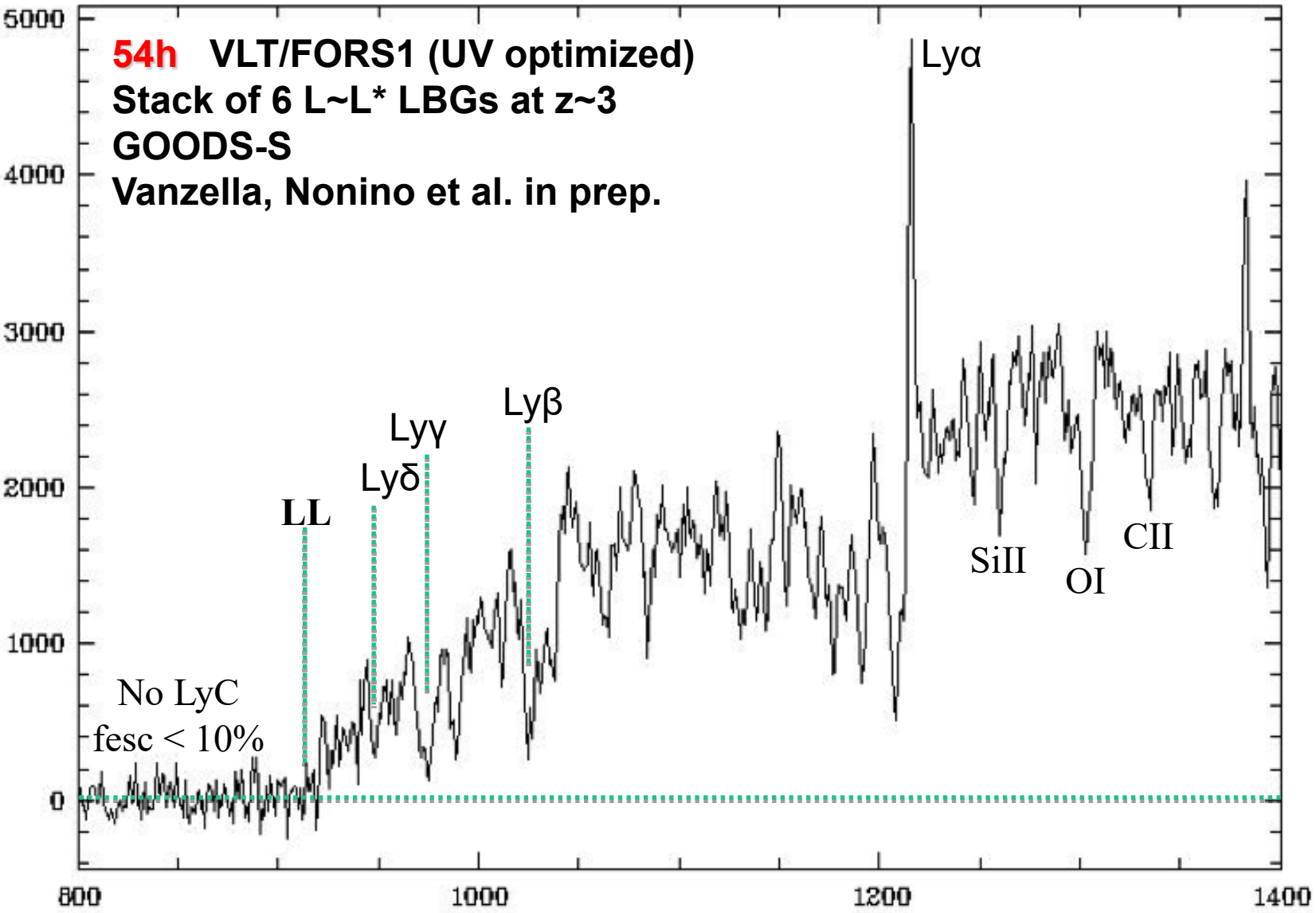


f_{esc} : is smaller than 1 by definition,
f_{esc,rel} : should be < 1, otherwise $A_{900} < A_{1500}$

1D FORS2 spectra in the GOODS-S survey (Vanzella et al. 2009)



Spectroscopy: GOODS-S

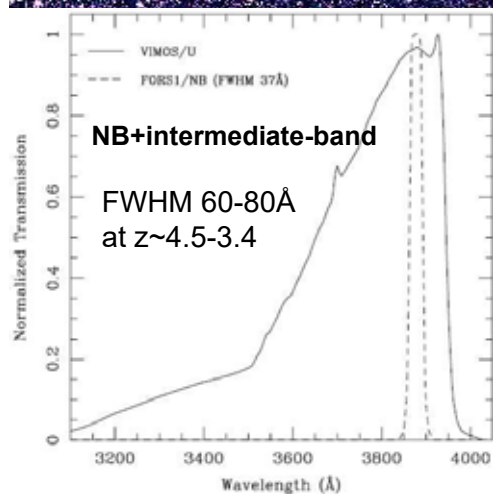


Ultra-deep VLT/VIMOS U-band survey (Nonino+09)

- Mag-U 30.4 (1-sigma) AB at 1σ (1.2" diam.)
It probes the LyC (910A-700A) for galaxies at $z>3.4$
- NB filter 28.9 (1-sigma), HUDF, LyC at $z>3.35$ (Hayes+11)

GOODS-S

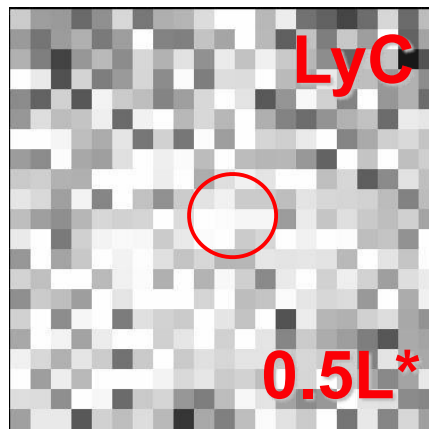
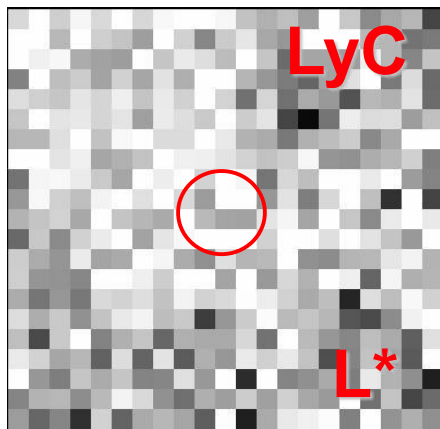
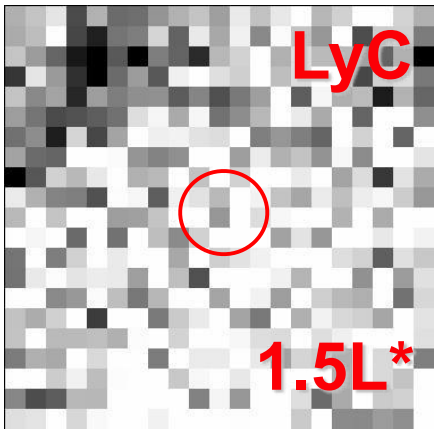
4.5 arcmin



Wavelength (Å)

from Vanzella+10; Inoue11 pc

Stacking galaxies $3.4 < z < 3.7$ LBGs (GOODS-S)



Upper limits on f_{esc}
 Vanz+10a (stacks + MC Simul.)
 foreground statistics
 Vanz+10b (MNRAS)

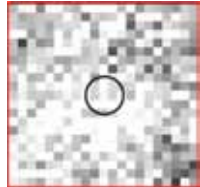
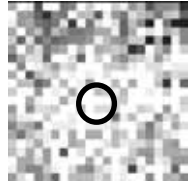
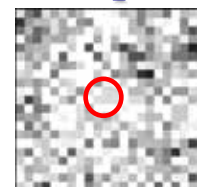
Caveats in the f_{esc}
 measurements
 Vanzella et al. (2012) ApJ

22 LBGs $\langle \Delta m \rangle = 7.5$
 $f_{esc,rel} < 3\%$
 Compact extended

20 LBGs $\langle \Delta m \rangle = 6.6$
 $f_{esc,rel} < 5\%$
 Blue

25 LBGs $\langle \Delta m \rangle = 6.1$
 $f_{esc,rel} < 9\%$

→ $U > 32.7$ (1σ)
 $f_{esc,rel} < 2.36\%$

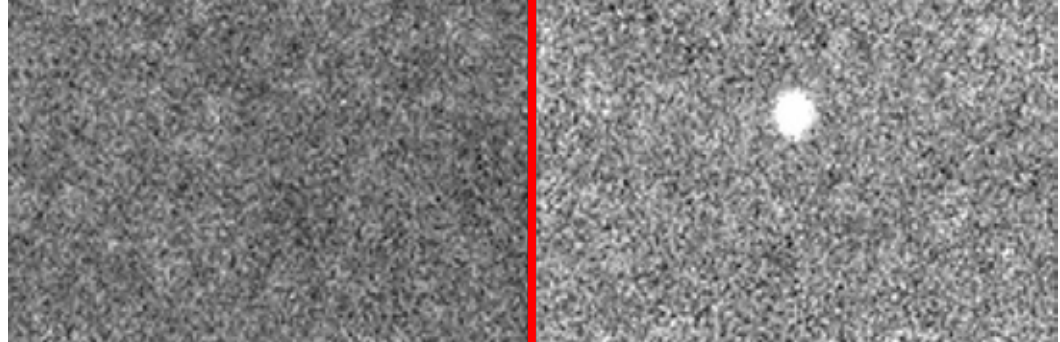


h.l.r. $< 1\text{kpc}$ h.l.r. $> 1\text{kpc}$ $\beta [-2 \dots -2.35]$
 $f_{esc,rel} < 9\%$ $f_{esc,rel} < 5\%$ $f_{esc,rel} < 6\%$

COSMOS field. Boutsia+11; Grazian et al. in prep.

U-band LBC: $U > 31.44$
 $f_{esc,rel} < 2.02\%$

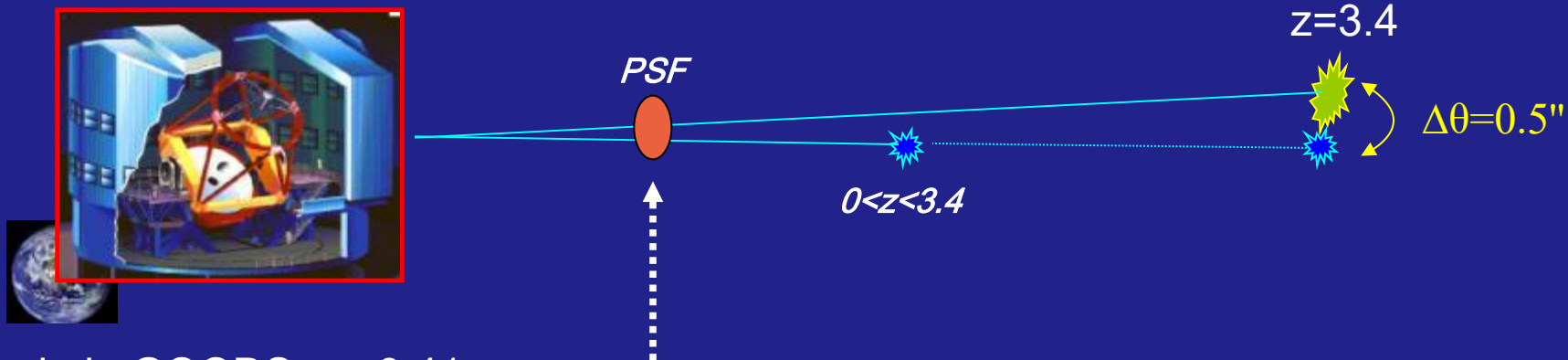
R-band LBC: $R < 25.5$



48 galaxies, $3.27 < z < 3.4$, $\langle z \rangle = 3.3$, $f_{esc,rel} < 2.02\%$
 VUDS spec survey (Le Fevre et al. 2014, 10000 $2 < z < 6$)



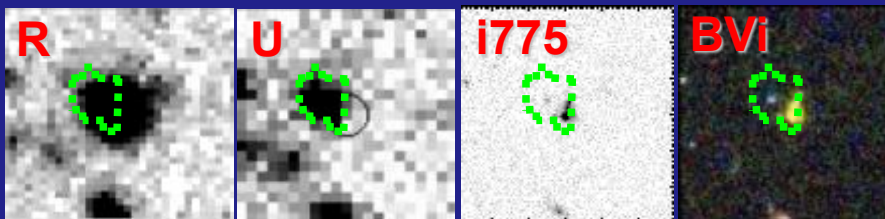
f_{esc} from $z > \sim 3$ galaxies: contamination from low- z



Example in GOODS $z=3.41$

$$f_{esc,rel} \equiv \frac{(L1500/L900)_{int}}{(F1500/F900)_{obs}} \exp(\tau_{900}^{IGM})$$

$(L1500/L900)_{int}=3$, $A_{1500}=0.7$,
 $\tau(igm)=1$



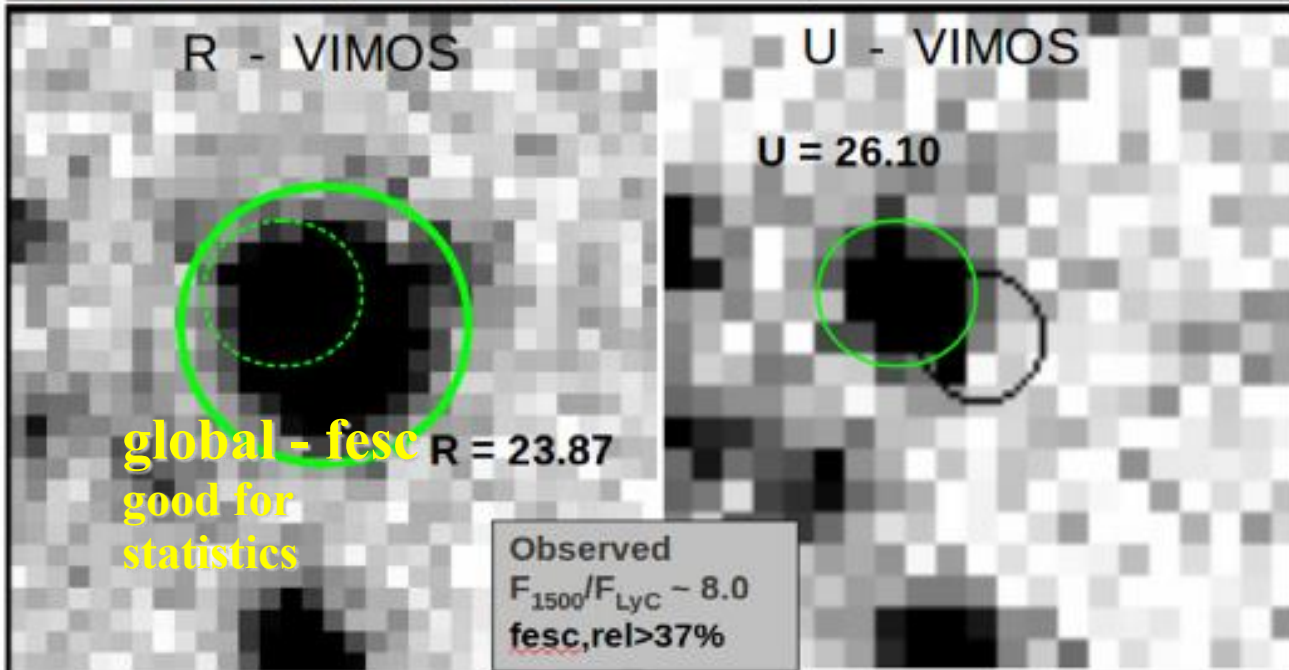
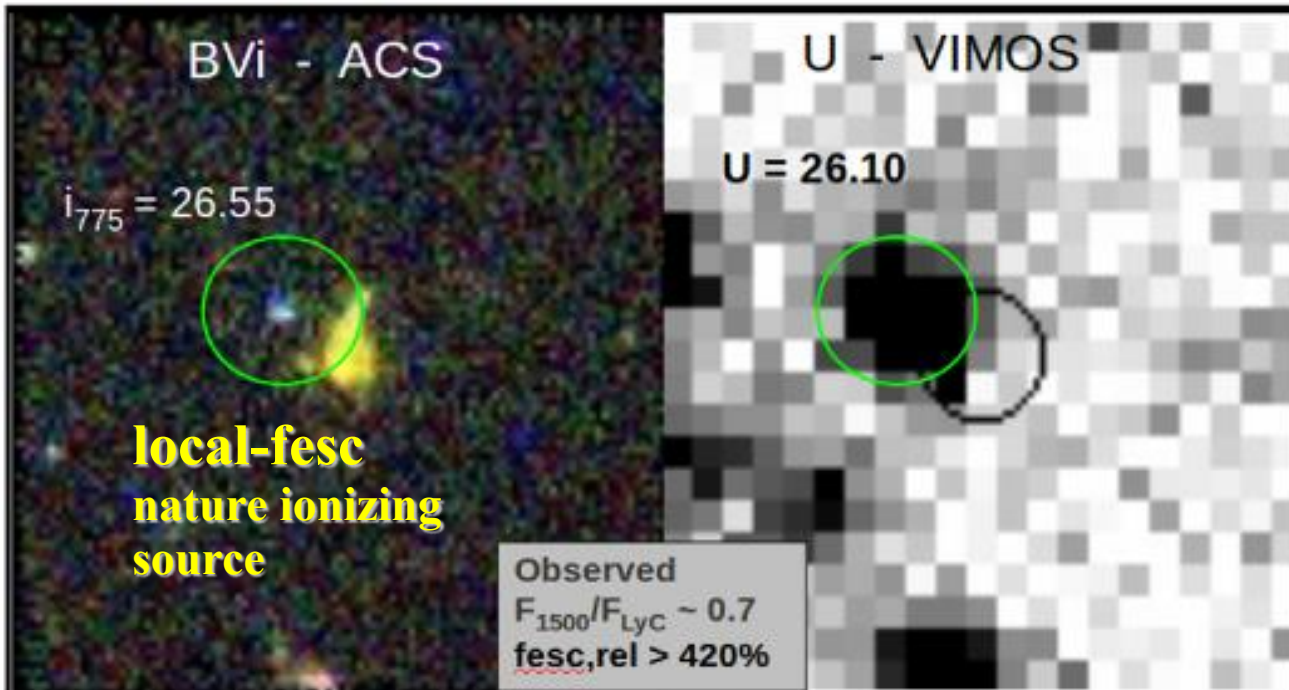
~~Ground based:
 $f_{esc} > 17\%$
 $f_{esc,rel} > 33\%$~~

From U and HST:
 $f_{esc} > 230\%$
 $f_{esc,rel} > 433\%$

$\Delta(B-V) = 1.71$

Prob. ($z_{phot} > 3.4$) < 1%

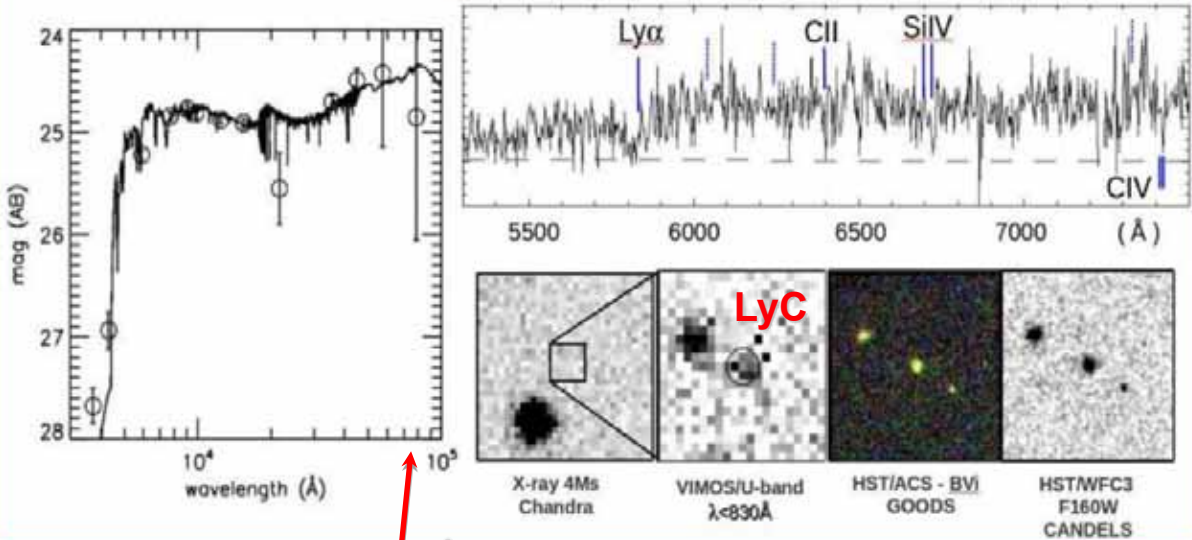
Foregrounds not always
 explain U-band detections
 (e.g., Nestor+12,
 Mostardi+13)



ONLY one LyC detected (1/100 LBGs)

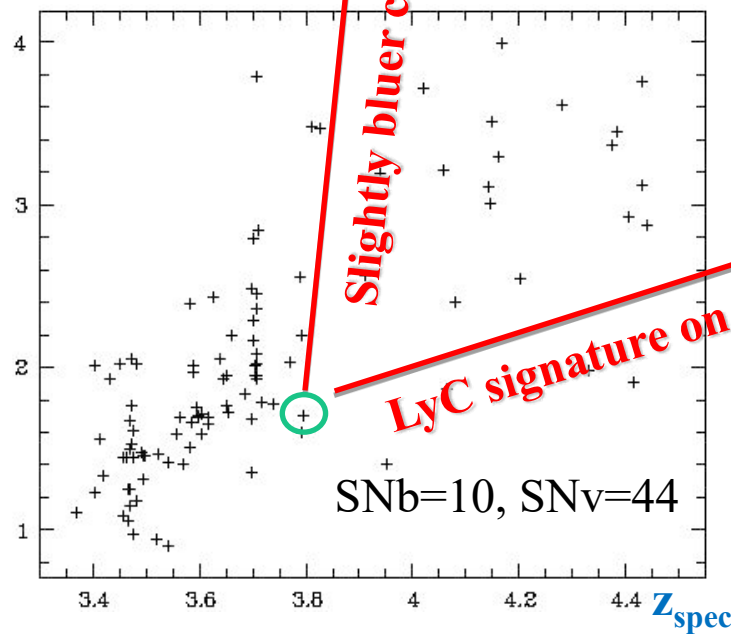
Ion1

Ion1 : J033216.64-274253.3, redshift 3.795

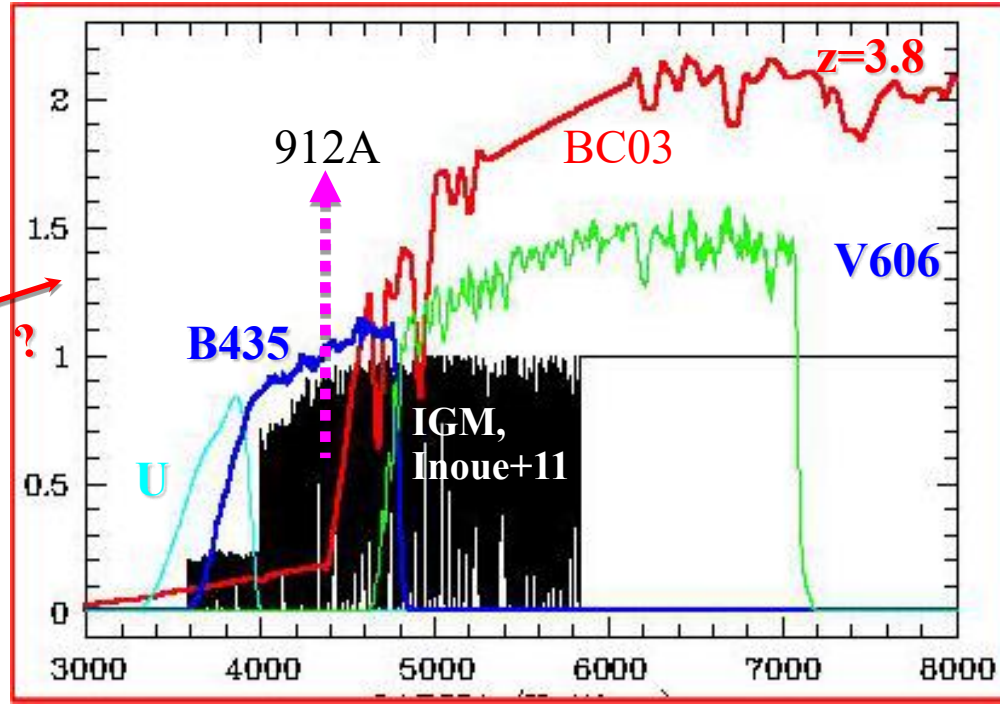


- zspec=3.795; zphot(CANDELS)=3.73
 - SFR~30 Msol/yr
 - M*~2x10⁹ Msol
 - Re<0.8 Kpc (<300pc, Giavalisco PC)
 - $\beta = -2.1 \pm 0.2$
 - fesc>50% (L1500/L900=3, Tigm=1)
 - No Ly α line (fesc>80% ?, Nakajima & Ouchi+14)
 - No X-ray, Lx[2-10keV] < 3x10⁴² erg/s
- Linking LyC to Ly α , ISM lines (CII, SiII):
Behrens+14; Verhamme+14;
Jaskot & Oey +14, Heckman+11 ...

B435-V606



Slightly bluer color
LyC signature on color ?



fesc from galaxies: current observations

Z~0 fesc ~ 0.01-0.02 MW (Bland-Hawthorn & Maloney 1999; BH et al. 2001)

fesc < 0.02-0.05 (spec. Leitherer+95; Deharveng+01)

fesc ~ 0.03 Haro11 (Leitet+11, but see Grimes+07, fesc<~2%)

Z~1 fesc < 0.02-0.05 (Siana+10; Malkan+03; Cowie+09; Bridge+11; Ferguson+01)

Z~2 <fesc> < 0.075 (c.l. 95%) (Chen+07) from GRBs

Z~3 fesc < 0.73 Inoue+05 (phot, 2 LBGs)

< 0.15 Fernandez-Soto+03 (phot, 27 LBGs)

< 0.16 Giallongo+02 (spec, 2 LBGs)

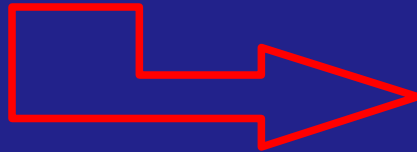
< 0.05 **Boutsia+11 (phot, 11 LBGs) (LBT deep, ApJ)**

fesc > 0.5 (spec. Stacking; ~30 LBGs, **Steidel+01**)

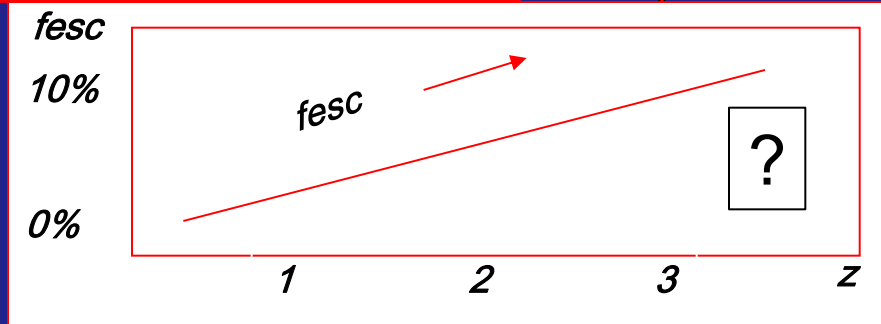
fesc > 0.1 (spec. Stacking; 14 LBGs, **Shapley+06**)

fesc > 0.2 (phot. NB, **Iwata+09; Nestor+11**) ~ 50 LyC

**Many show
spatially
offset LyC**



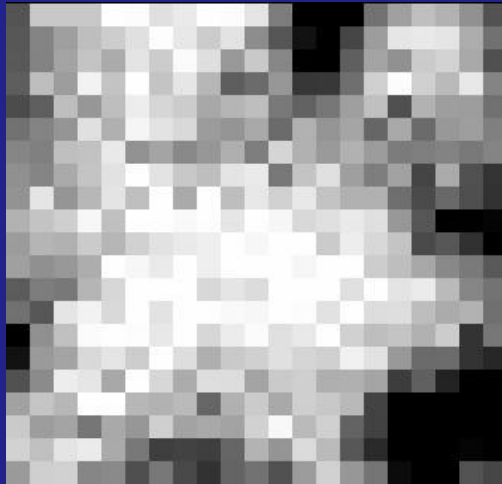
See Inoue+06, Haardt+11



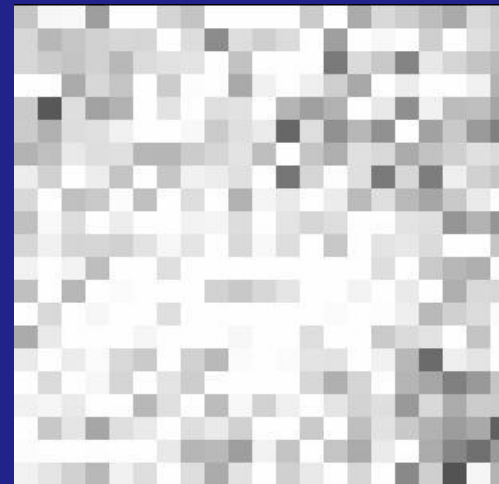
Stacking the 30 bluest LBGs ($F(\lambda) \sim \lambda^\beta$)

$\langle z \rangle = 3.60$, $\langle \beta \rangle = -2.10$ [-1.91,-2.40] , $\langle i_{775} \rangle = 25.17$

LBG



Average



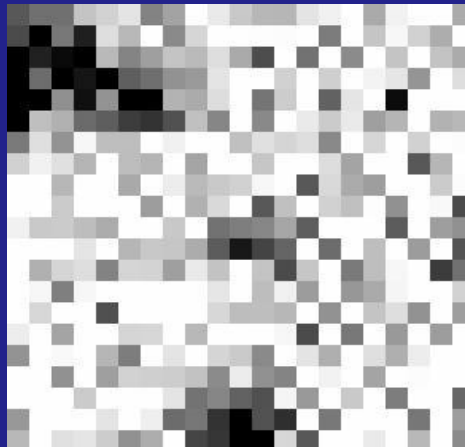
Median

β derived from
Castellano+11
(arXiv-1109.1757)

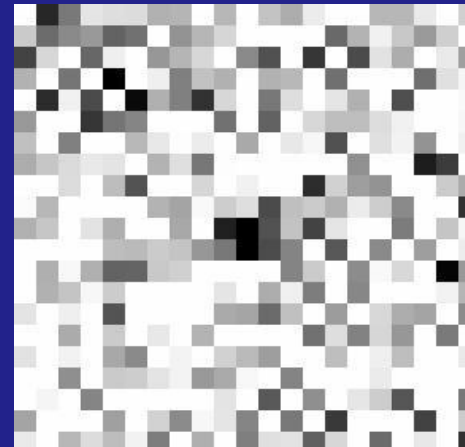
NO SIGNAL
fesc < 0.06
(fesc~fesc,rel)

Stacking the AGNs with $z > 3.4$ (7 sources)

AGN



Average



Median

The IGM is not
killing completely
the ionizing photons

$\langle z \rangle = 3.634$, $\langle \beta \rangle = -2.04$, $\langle i_{775} \rangle = 24.12$

AGN Contribution

QSO LFs [Hopkins; Fiore+12](#)

Rate of emitted ionizing photons

$$\Gamma_{\text{AGN}}(z) \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{Mpc}^{-3}\text{)} = \int_{\nu_{\text{H}}}^{\nu_{\text{up}}} \sigma_{\nu} \frac{\rho_{\nu}(z)}{h_{\text{p}}\nu}$$

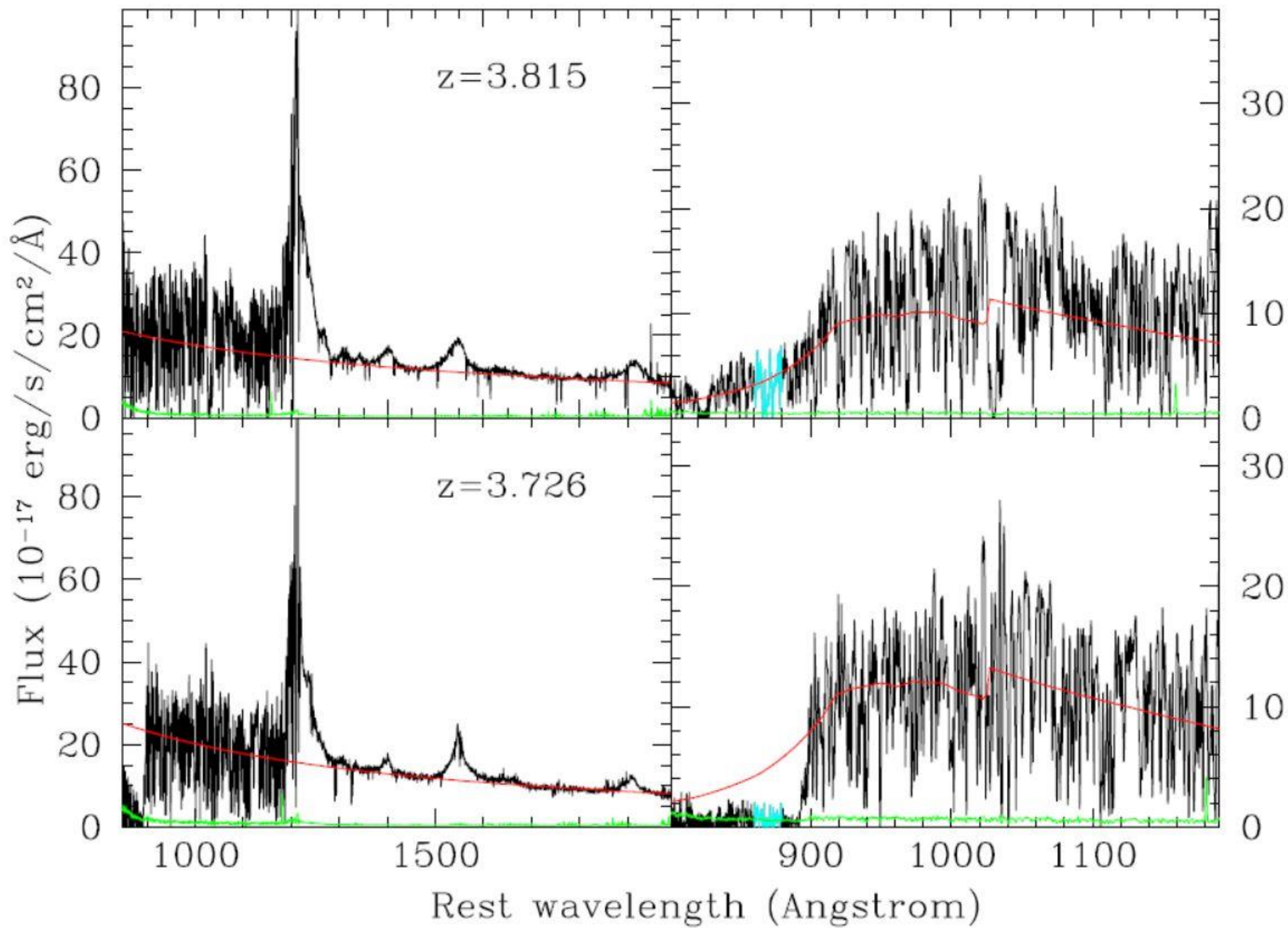
$$\rho_{\nu}(z) \text{ (erg s}^{-1}\text{Hz}^{-1}\text{Mpc}^{-3}\text{)} = \int_{L_{\text{min}}}^{\infty} \Phi(L, z)L_{\nu}(L) dL$$

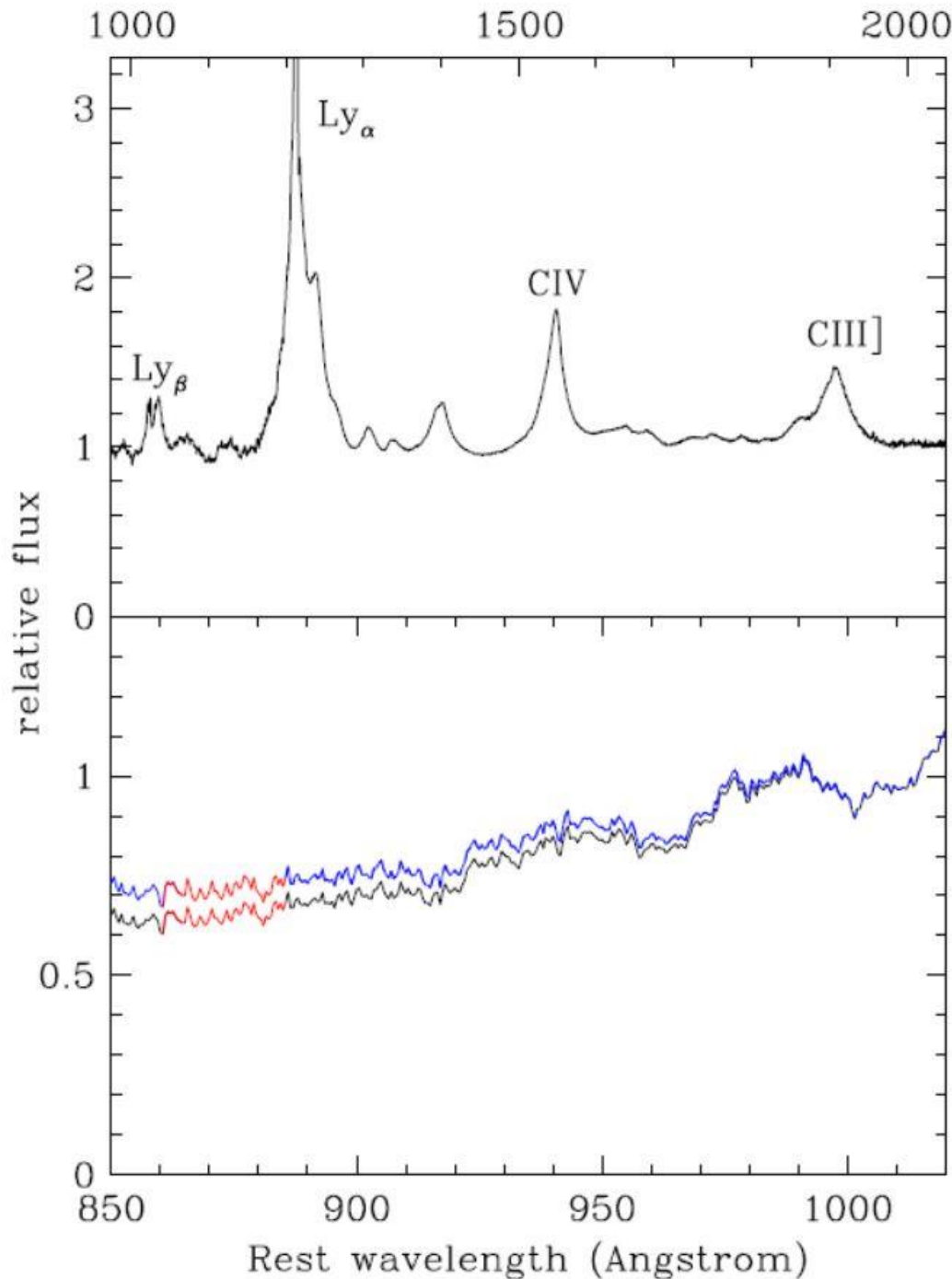
Total required ionizing photon rate [Madau+99](#)

$$\Gamma_{\text{ion}}(z) \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{Mpc}^{-3}\text{)} = 0.027 \kappa \left(\frac{C}{30}\right) \left(\frac{1+z}{7}\right)^3 \left(\frac{\Omega_{\text{b}}h_{70}^2}{0.0465}\right)^2$$

$$C(z) = 1 + 43 \times z^{-1.71}$$

[Haardt&Madau12](#)





Spectral slope

$$F_{\lambda} \propto \lambda^{-\gamma}$$

$$\langle \gamma \rangle = 1.31 \text{ (disp. } 0.36)$$

cfr. Shull+12,

Stevans+14

Telfer+02 $\langle \gamma \rangle = 1.31$

@ $\langle z \rangle = 1.17$

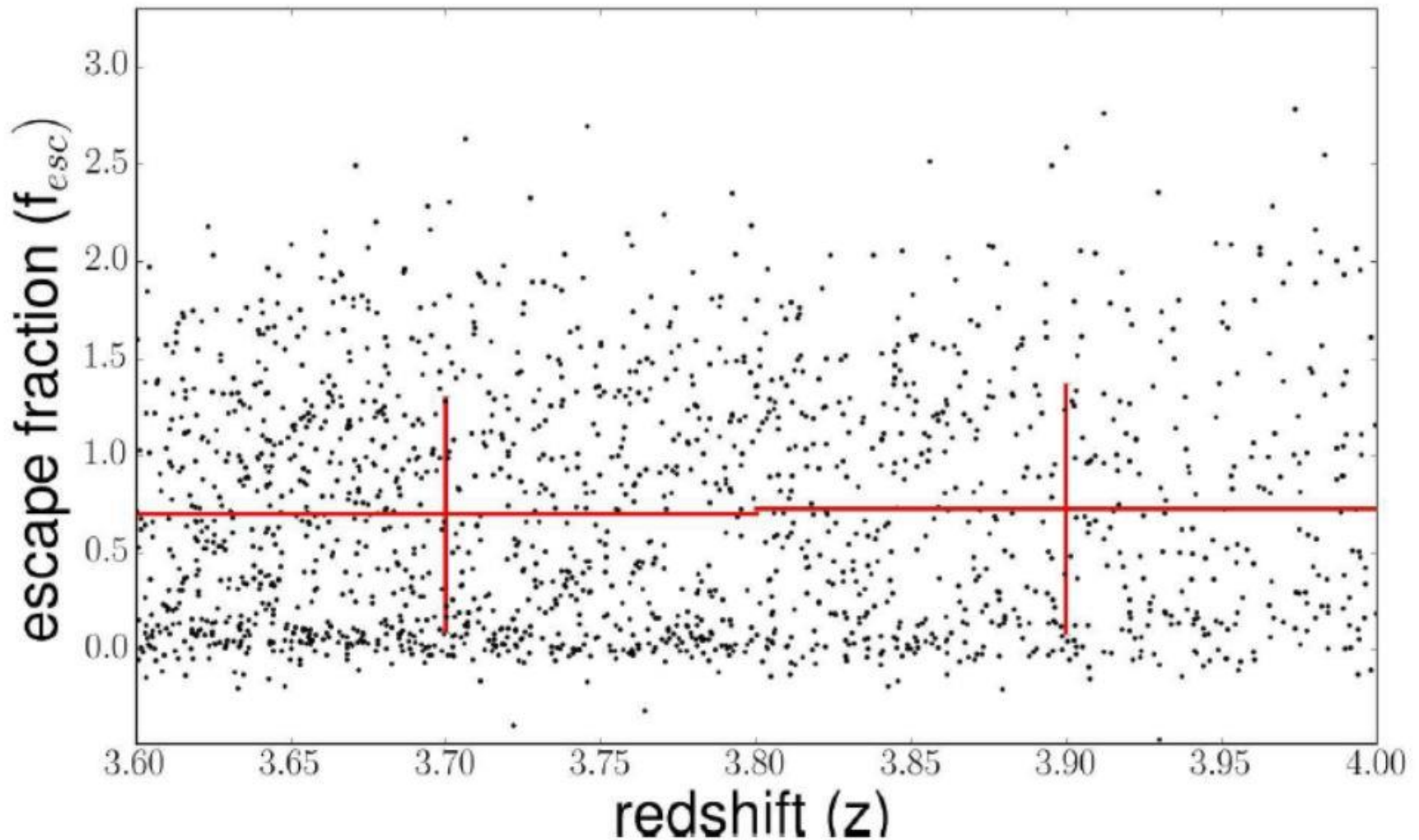


Figure 6. Escape fraction measured in the QSO spectra as a function of the redshift. The mean values in the intervals $3.6 < z \leq 3.8$ and $3.8 < z \leq 4.0$ are shown as continuous red segments, with the dispersion estimated as half of the difference between the 84.15 and 15.87 percentiles.

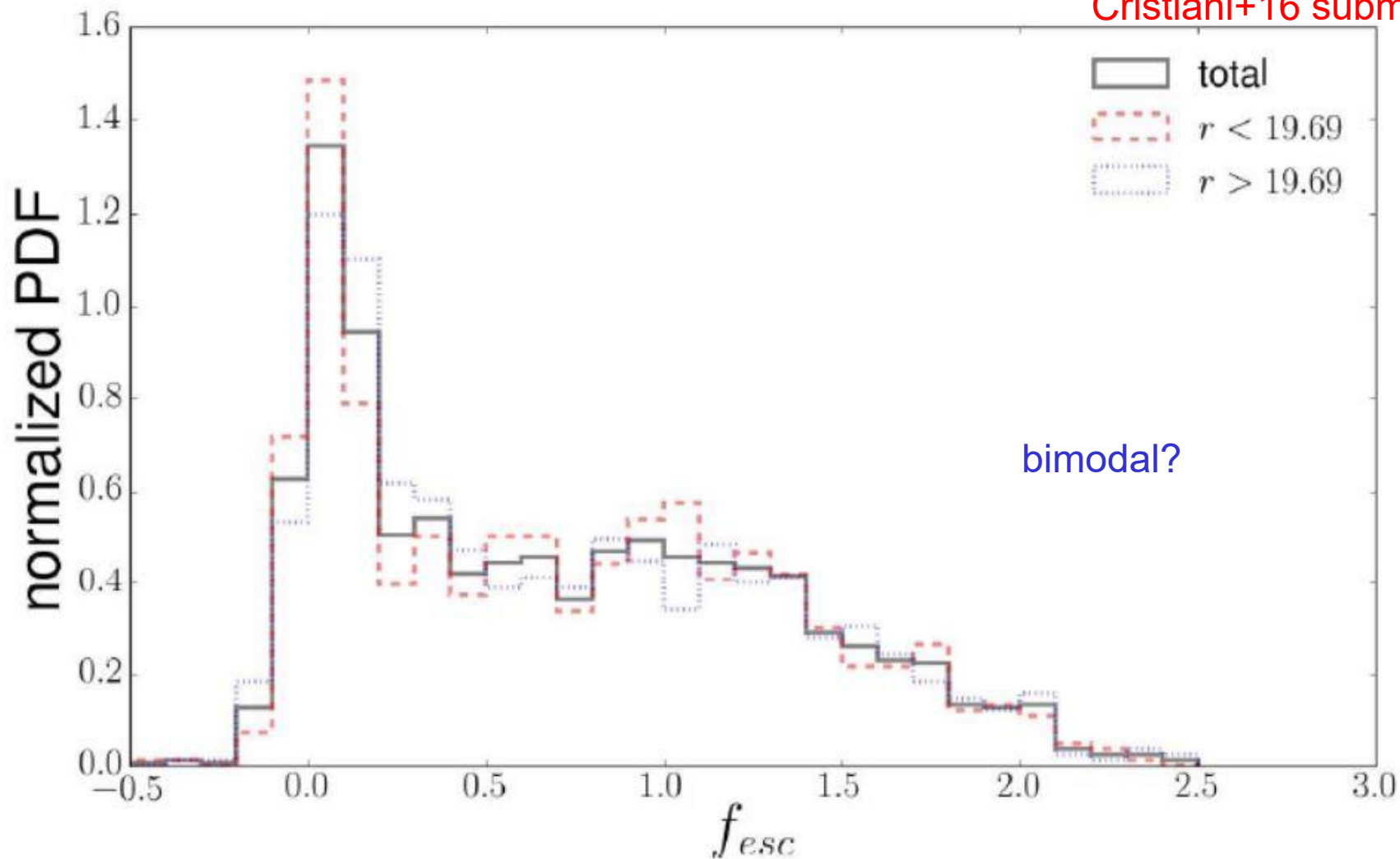
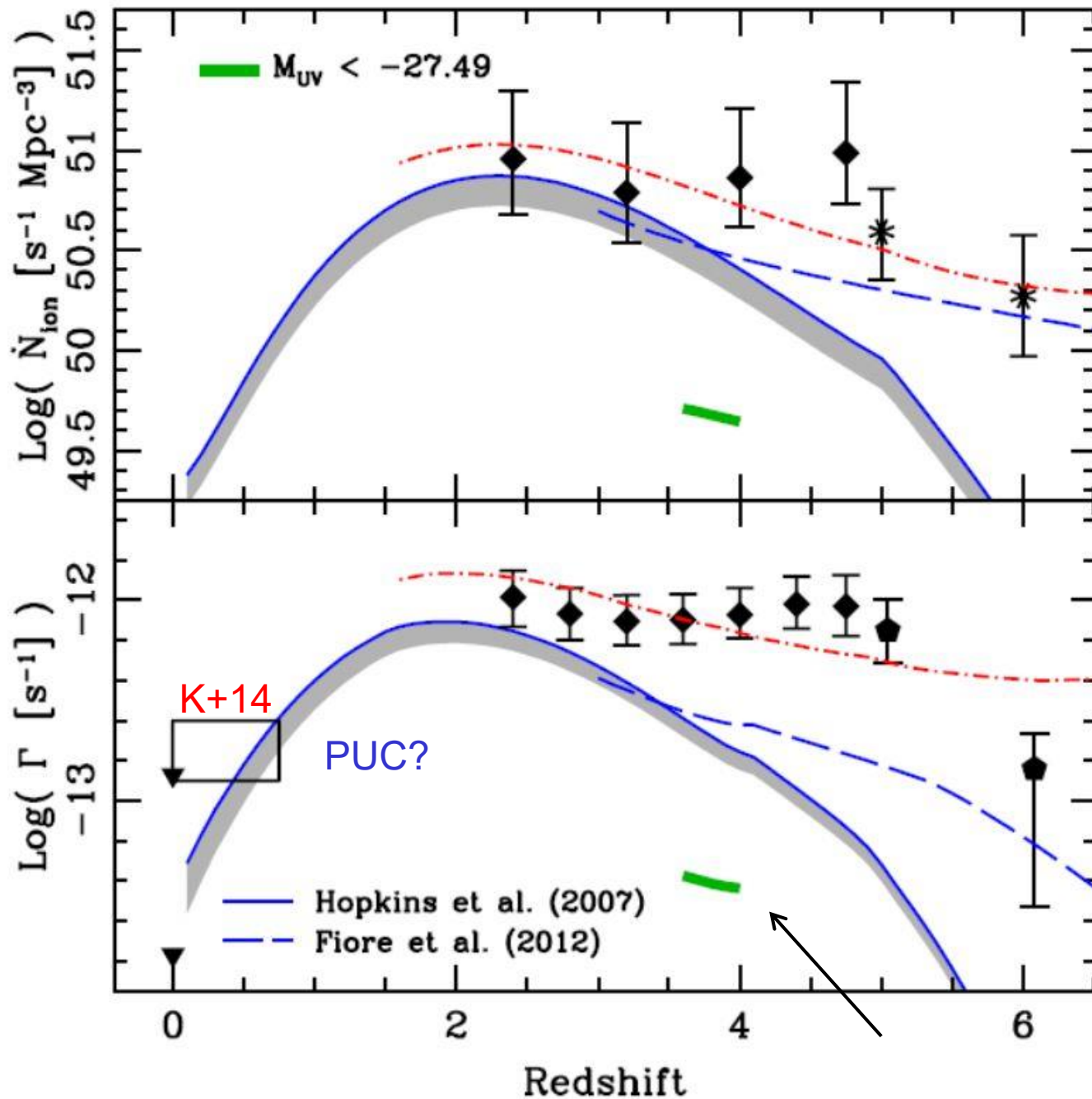


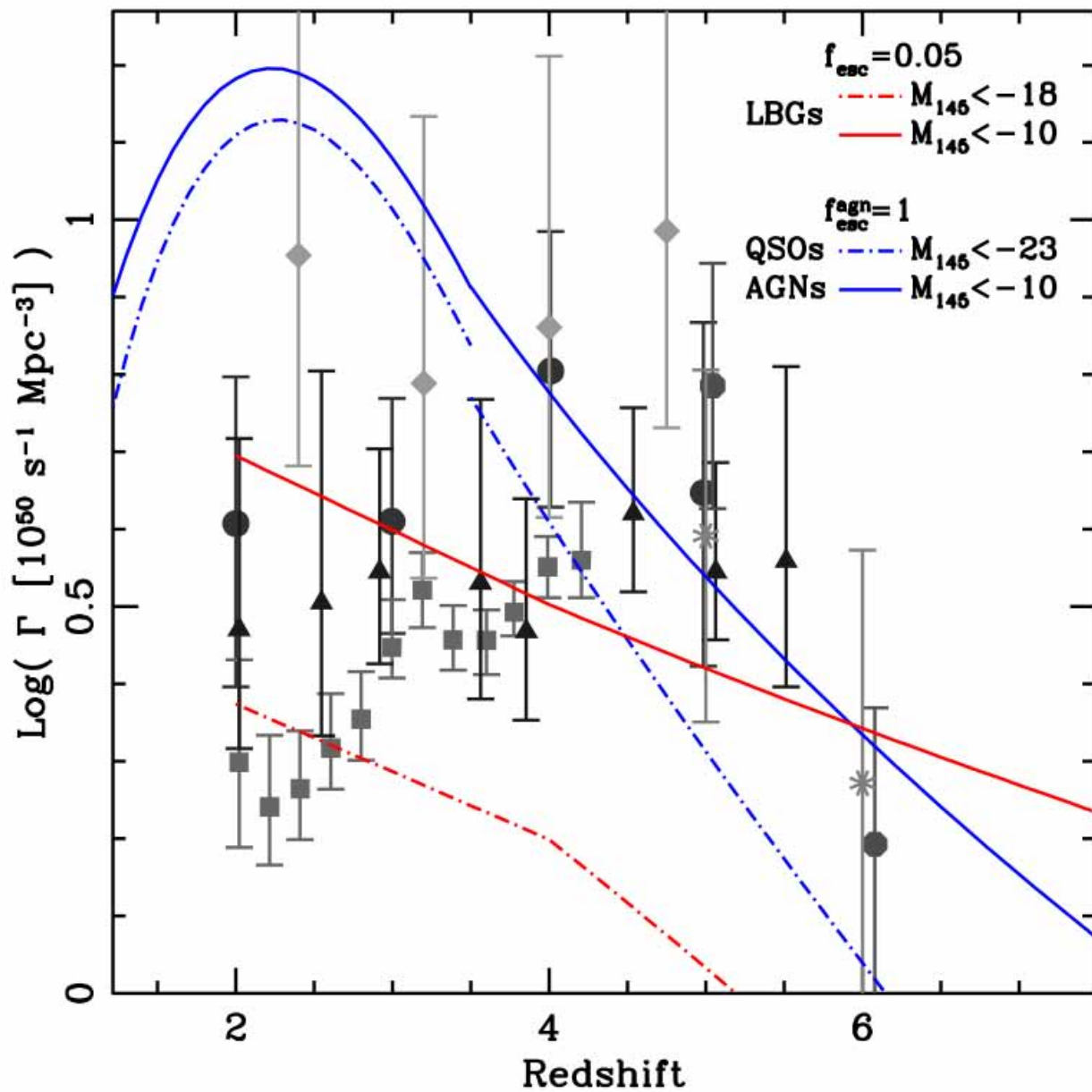
Figure 7. Normalized probability distributions of the escape fraction $f_{esc,q}$ for QSOs in the redshift interval $3.6 < z \leq 4.0$. The black continuous line shows the full sample. The red dashed line corresponds to objects with $r \leq 19.69$, while the blue dashed line refers to objects with $r > 19.69$.



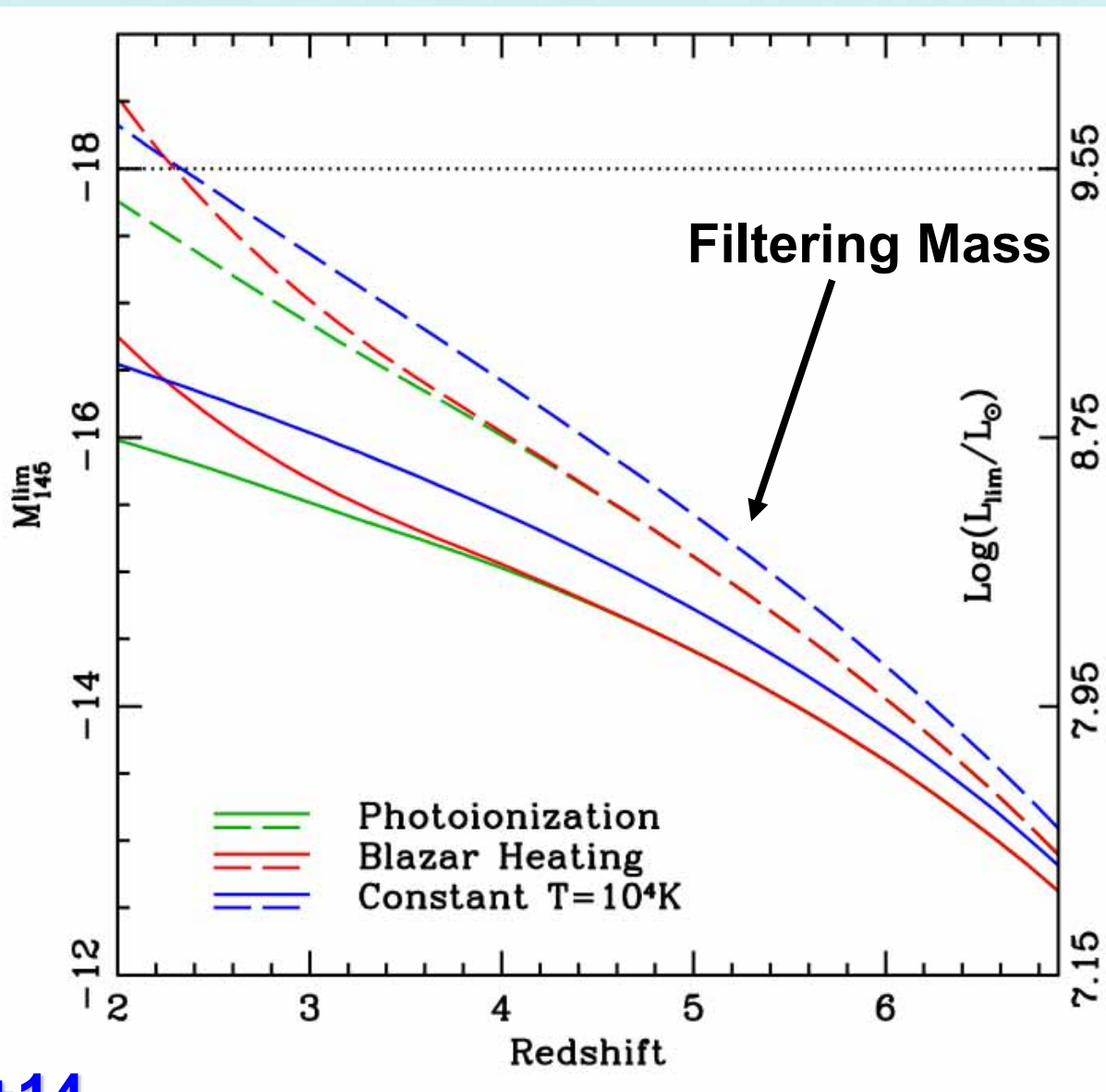
Fesc, QSO= 71-78%

Fesc, gal = 5.4-7.6%
characteristic mass!

Cosmic Ionizing Background



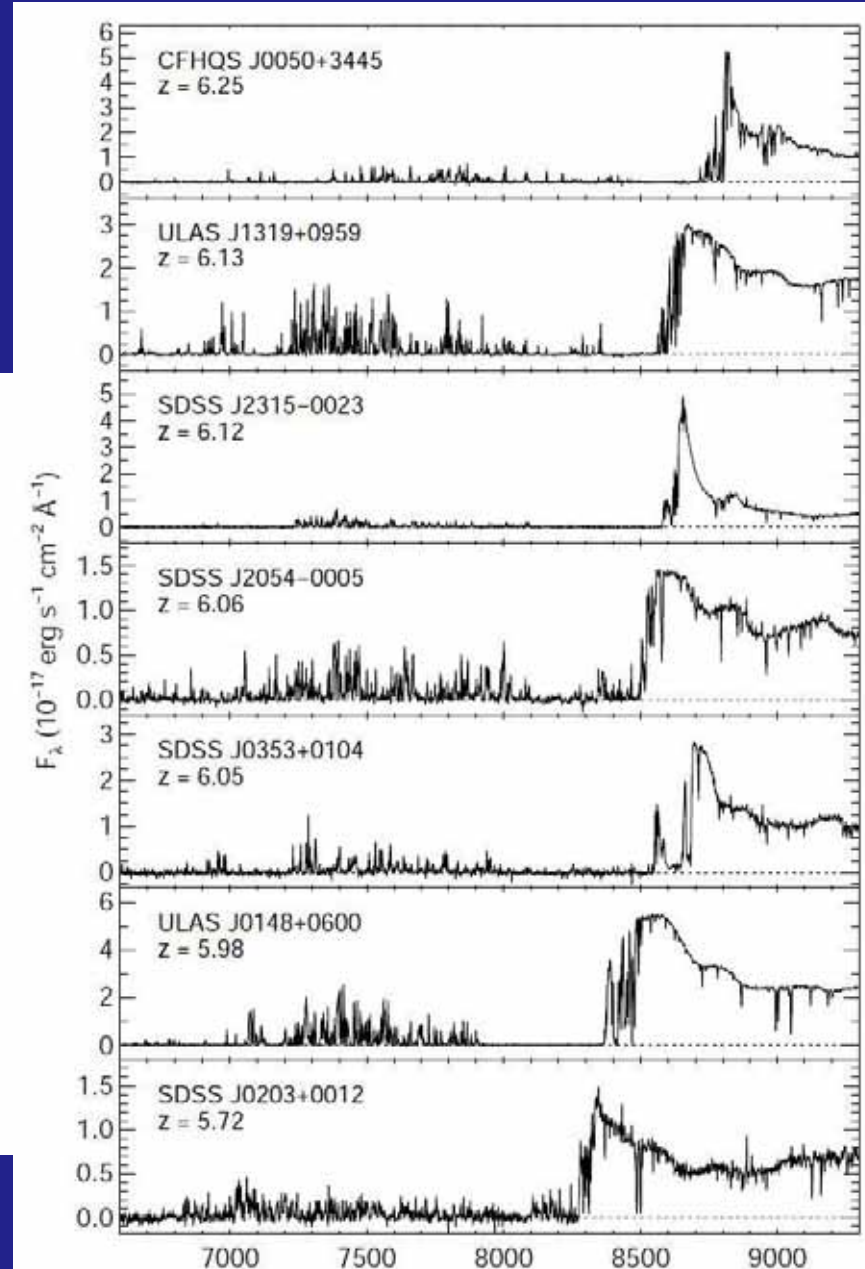
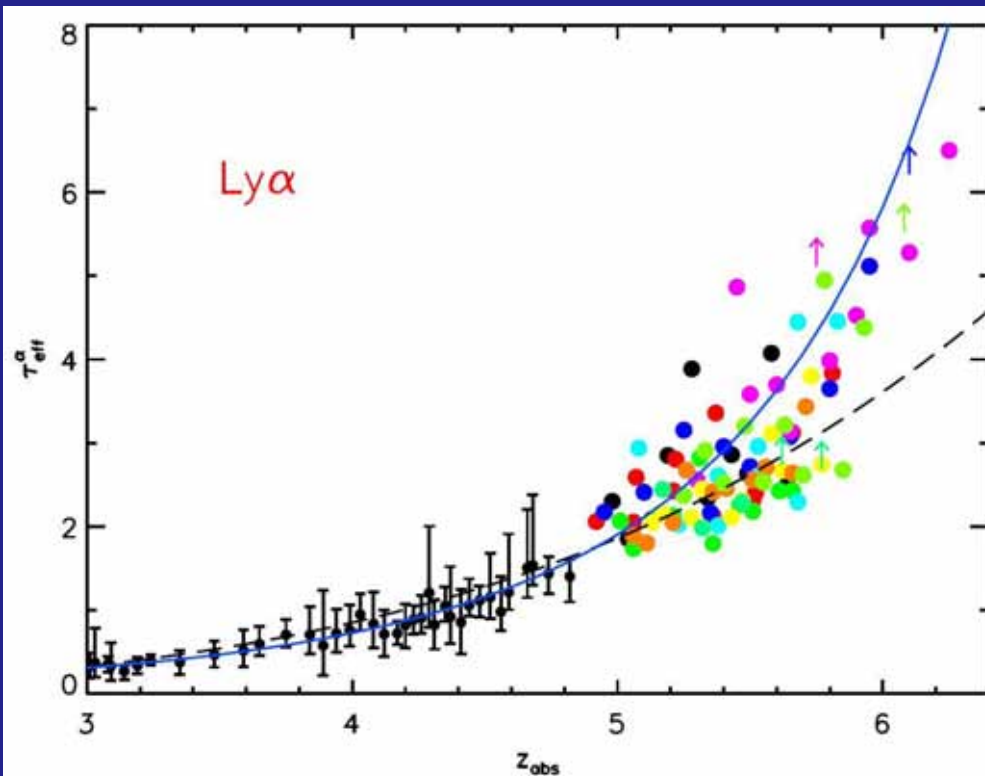
Limiting Magnitude



HI reionization: constraints (1) Ly forest

QSO Gunn-Peterson trough

→ IGM ionized by $z \sim 6$ (Fan+06, see also McGreer 2011, Becker+, 2007, 2015)



Patchy reionization

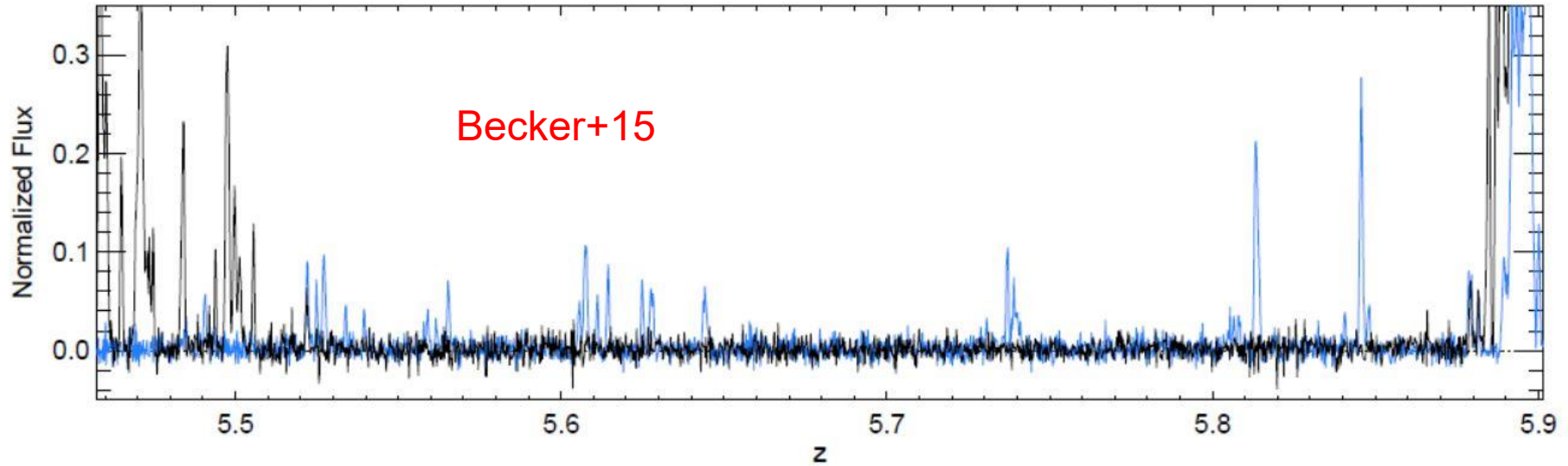


Figure 5. The Ly α trough (black) towards ULAS J0148+0600 overlaid with the Ly β forest (blue) at the same redshifts. Ly γ absorption also occurs in the Ly β forest at $z \leq 5.63$.

What are the sources? (overdensities of galaxies connected to bubbles)
Density driven fluctuations? (temperature??)