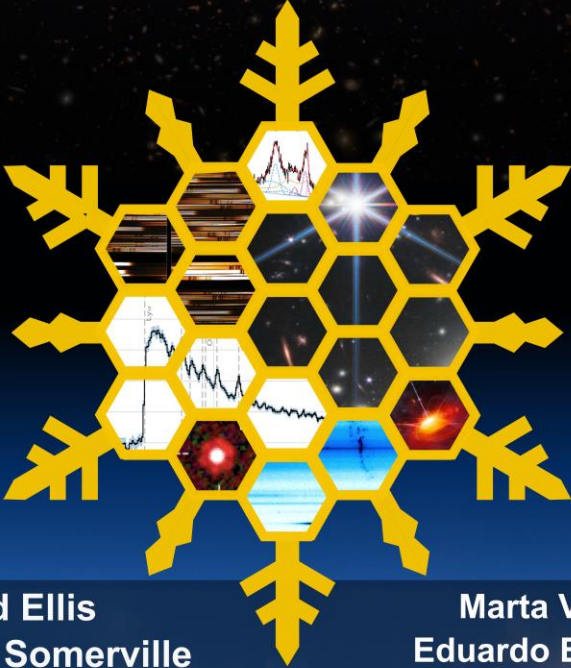


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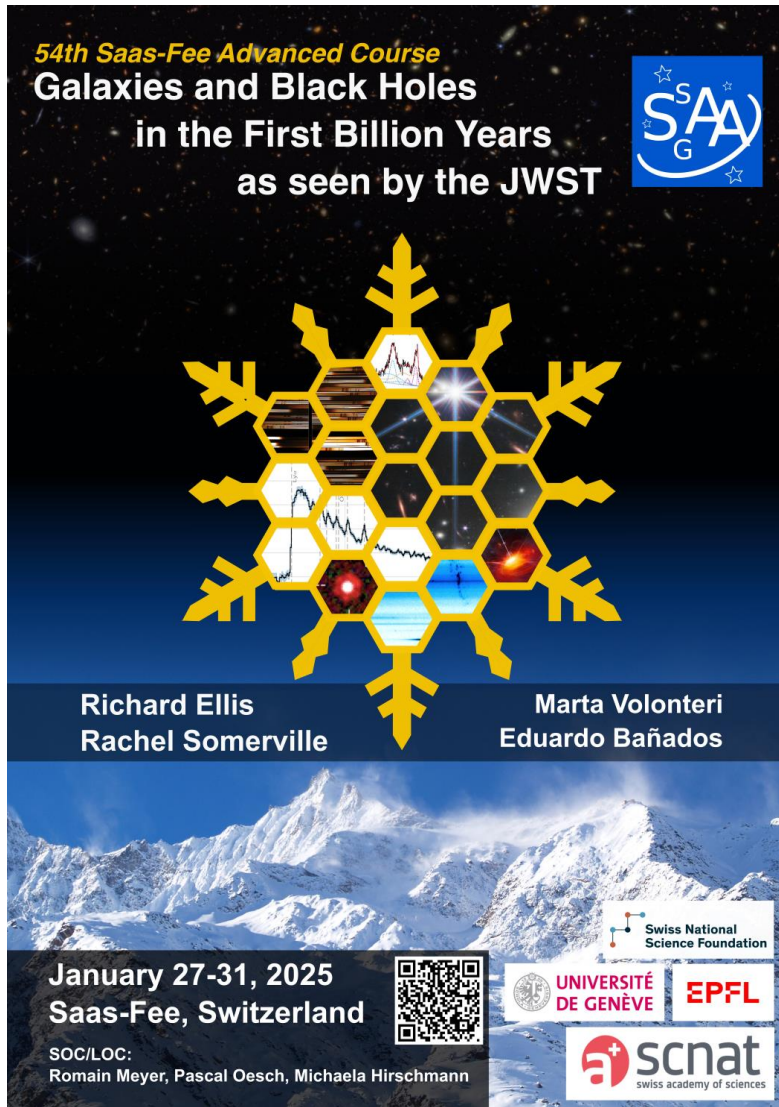
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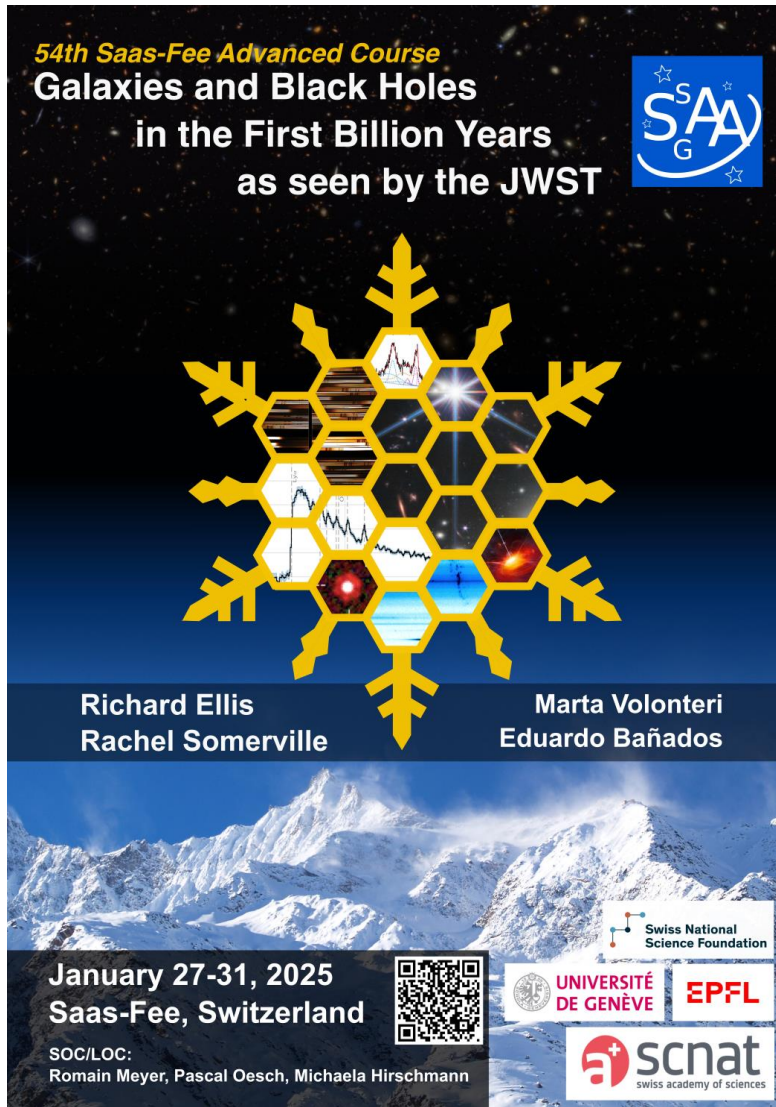


Observations of early black holes – some warnings



- *Observationally* focused
- Only scratch the surface and likely influenced by my own biases
- Main ideas, pointing to more literature and some anecdotes

Observations of early black holes – three lectures



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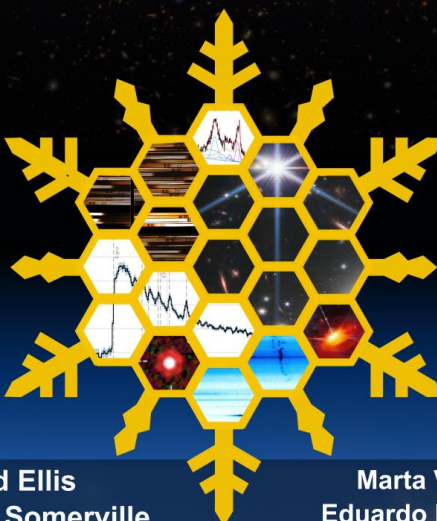
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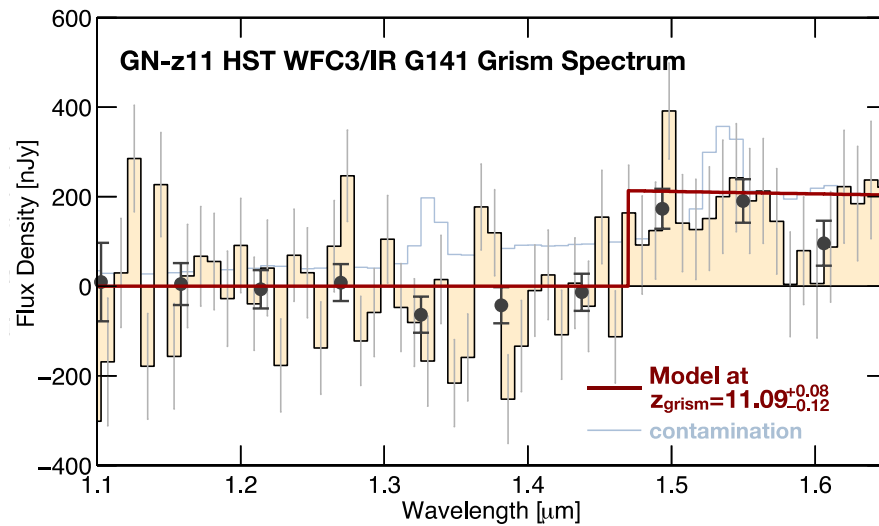
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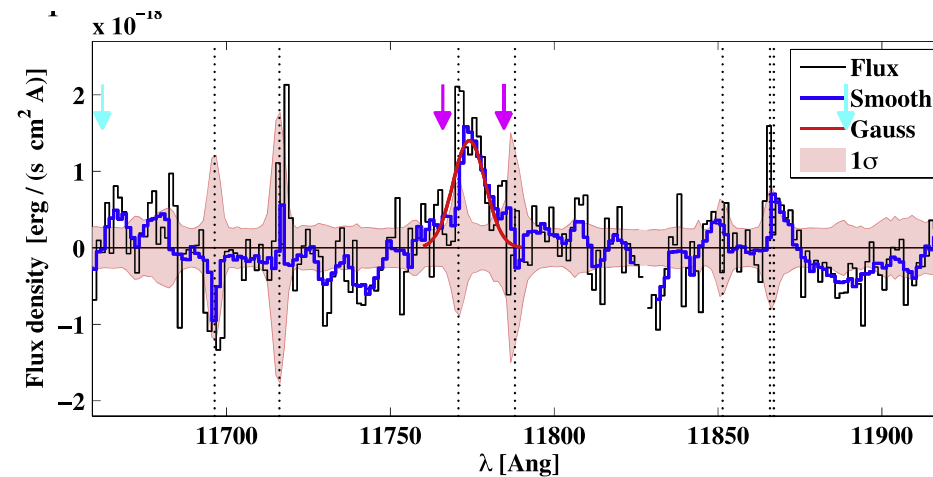
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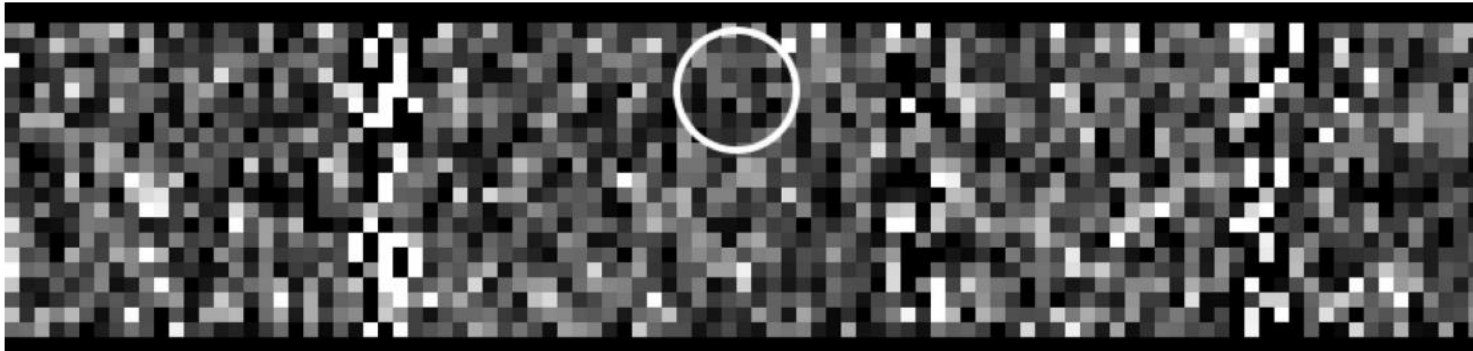


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Even confirmation is hard!

$z=8.6$ candidate



5 hours VLT and 11 hours Subaru

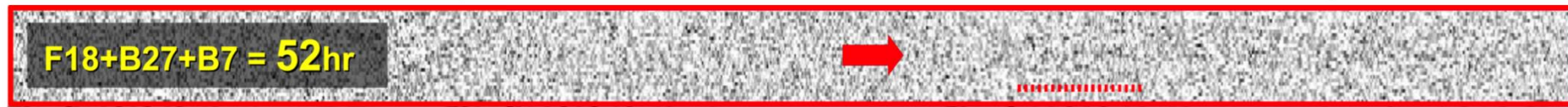
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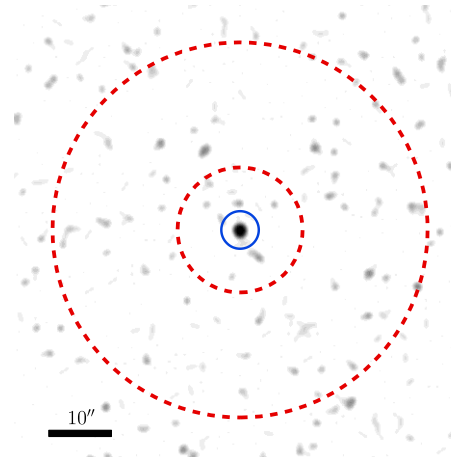
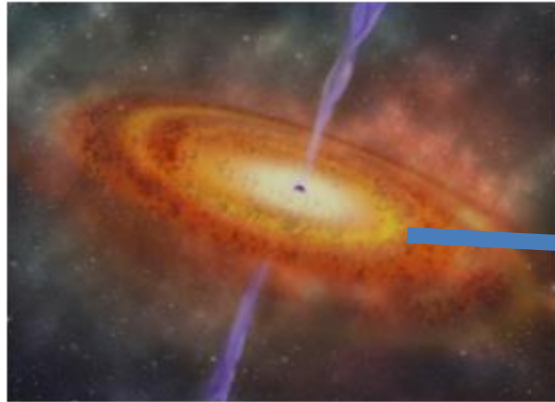
**A 52 hours VLT/FORS2 spectrum of a bright $z \sim 7$ HUDF galaxy:
no Ly- α emission[★]**

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G. Zamorani¹, and C. Vignali⁵



Vanzella+ 2014

Quasars are bright!



$z=7.54$ quasar
Bañados+ 2018b
X-rays

See also
Connor, EB+ 2019, 2020, 2021
Vito+ 2021 (incl. EB)
Wang+ 2021 (incl. EB)
Zappacosta+2023

Multiwavelength is key

- X-ray: Hot corona/jets
- UV/optical: accretion disk
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$z=7.54$ „Pisco“
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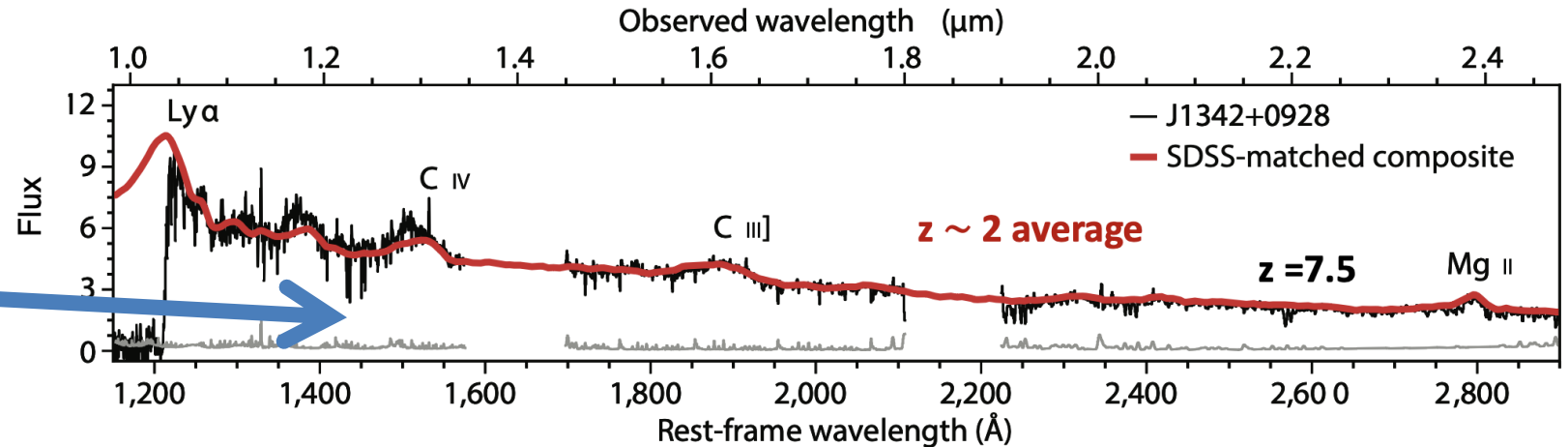
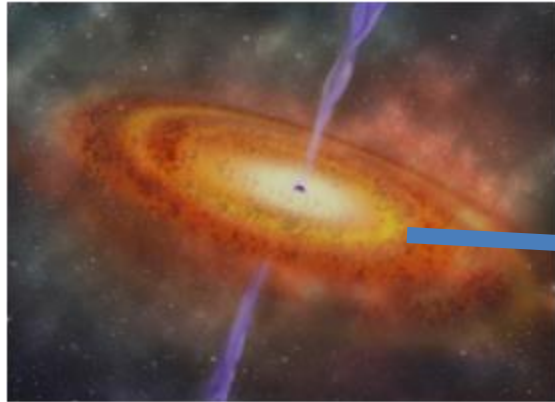
Key Differences at a Glance

Aspect	AGN	Quasars
Definition	A broad category of active galactic centers.	A highly luminous type of AGN.
Luminosity	Covers a wide range, from faint to bright.	Among the brightest AGN, often outshining hosts.
Host Galaxy Visibility	Usually visible in lower-luminosity AGN.	Often invisible due to the quasar's brightness.
Distance (Redshift)	Found both locally and at high redshift.	Primarily at high redshift (early universe).
Examples	Seyfert galaxies, radio galaxies, LINERs.	3C 273, ULAS J1342+0928 ($z \approx 7.54$).

Schmidt 1963
“The first quasar”

Bañados+2018
“The Pisco quasar”

Quasars are bright!

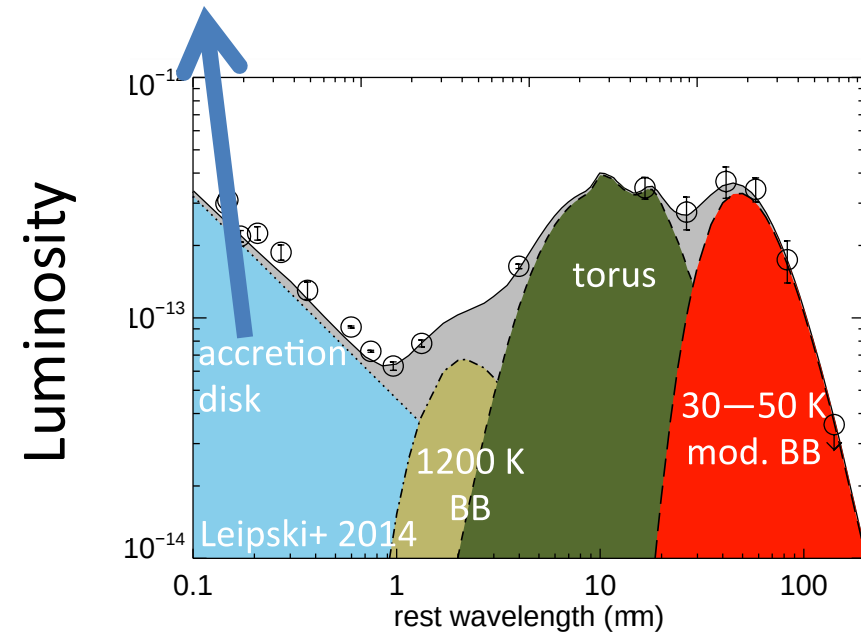


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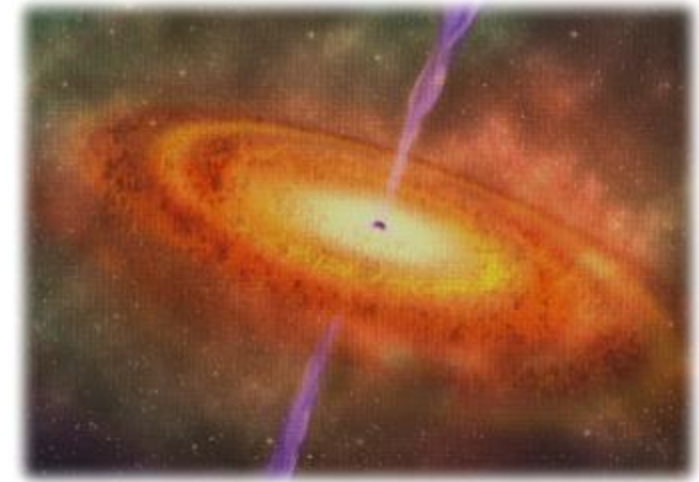
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$z=7.54$ „Pisco“
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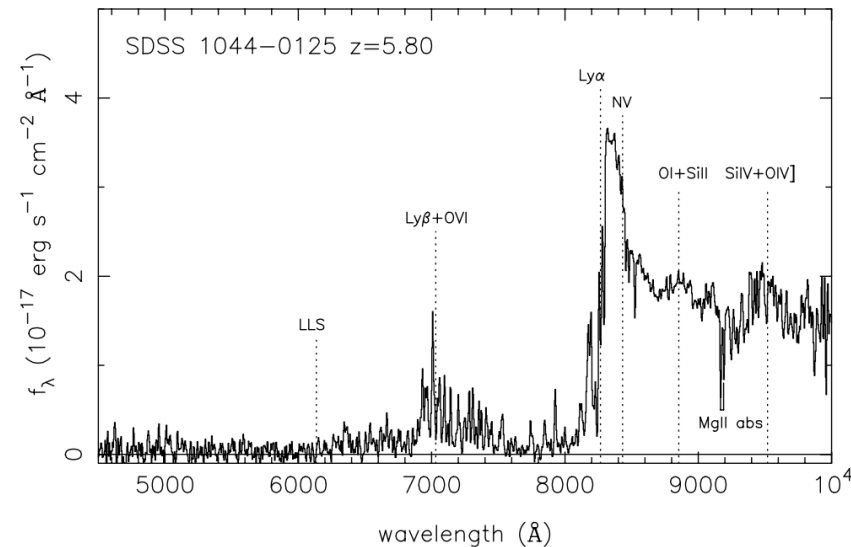


2000 - The first quasar in the first Gyr of the Universe

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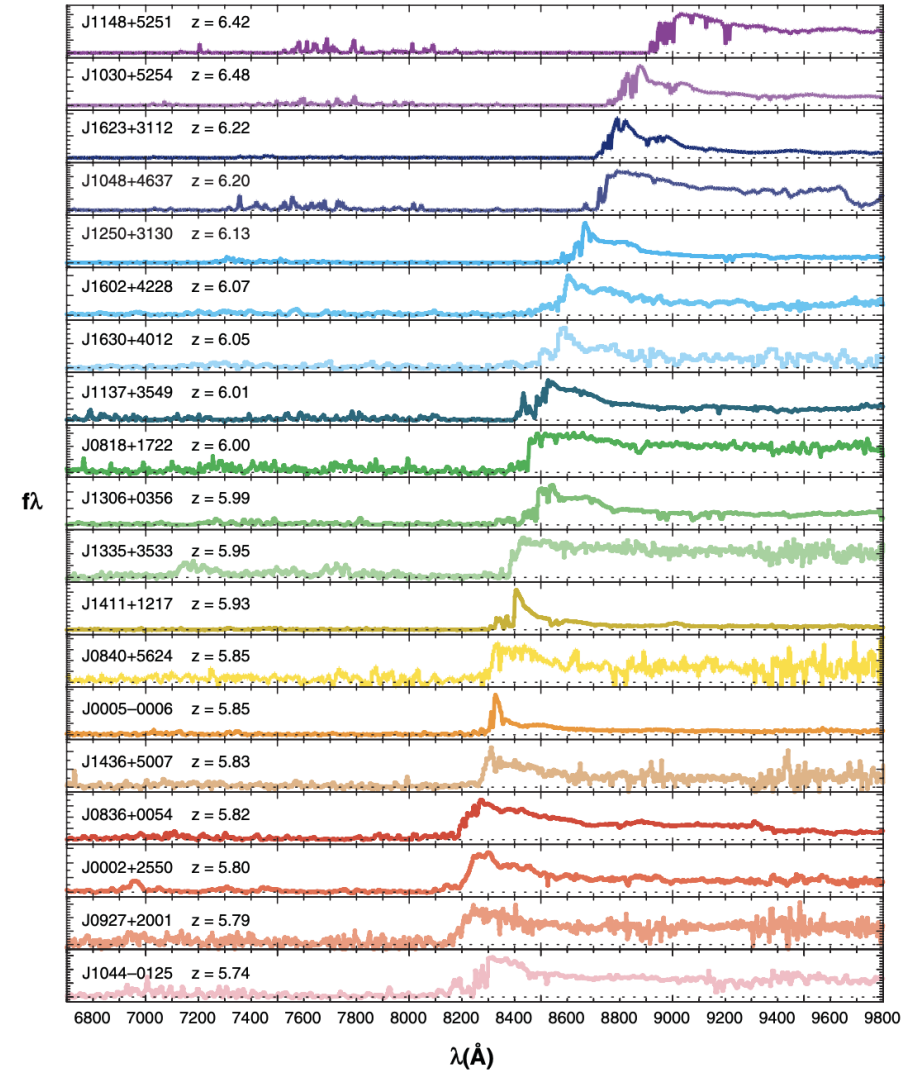
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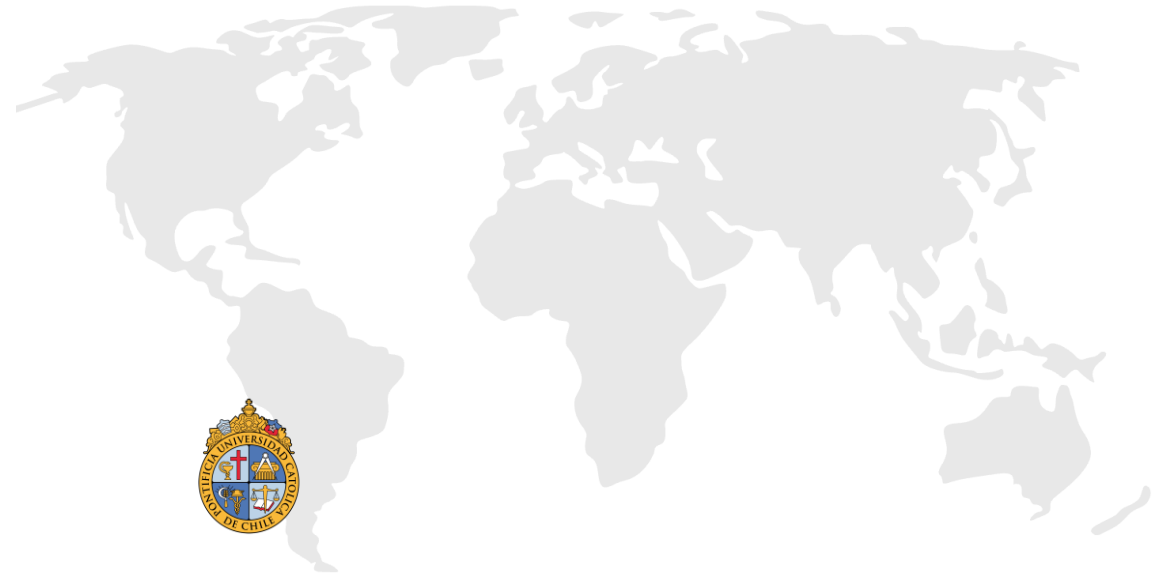
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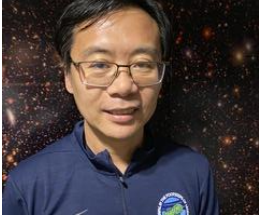
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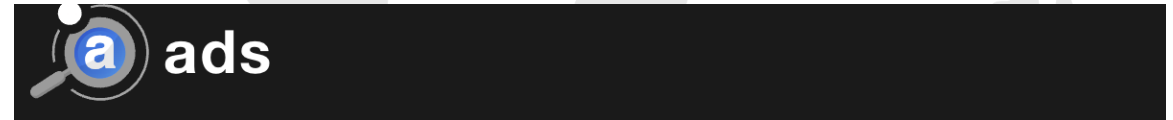
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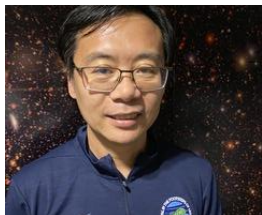
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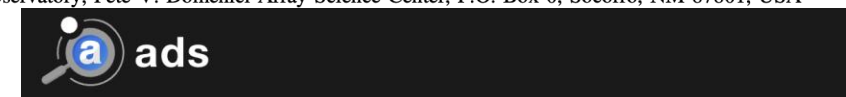
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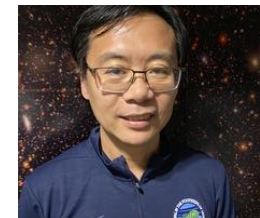
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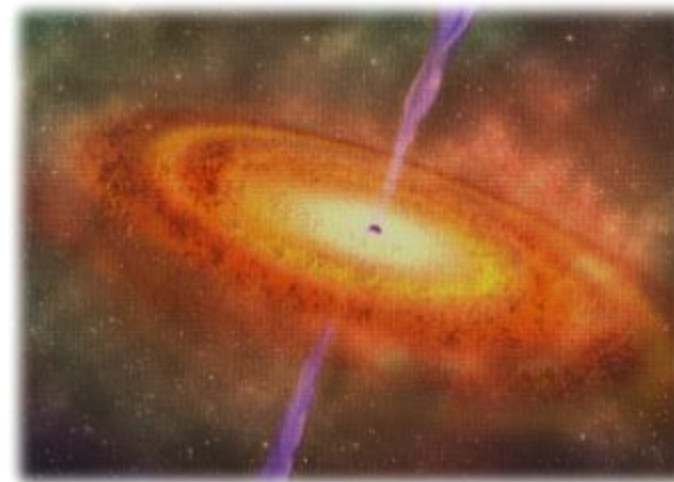
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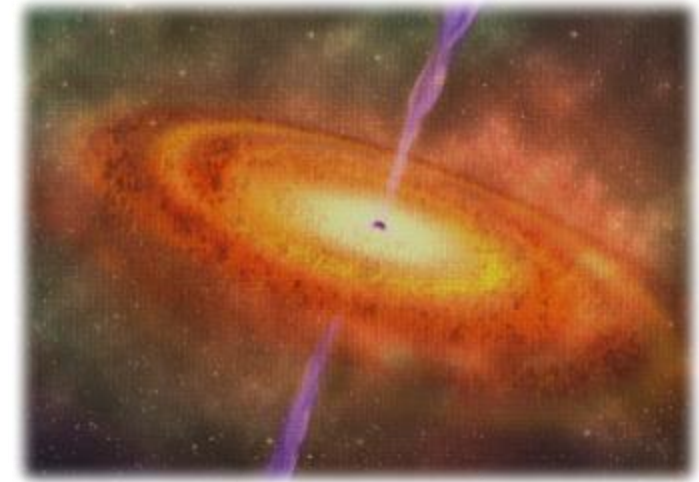
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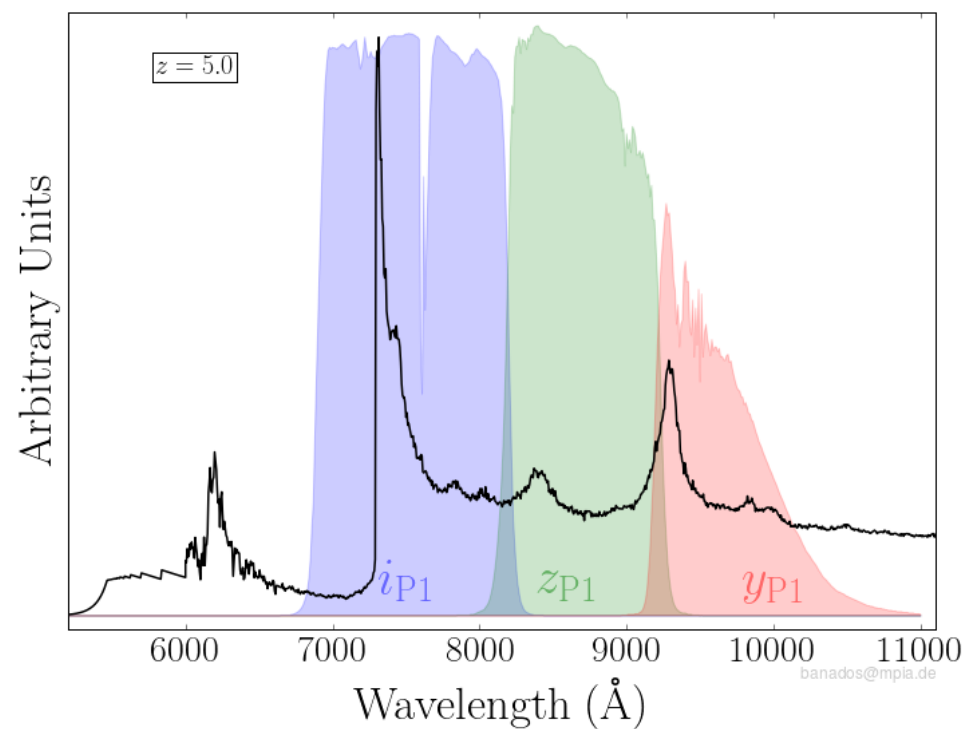
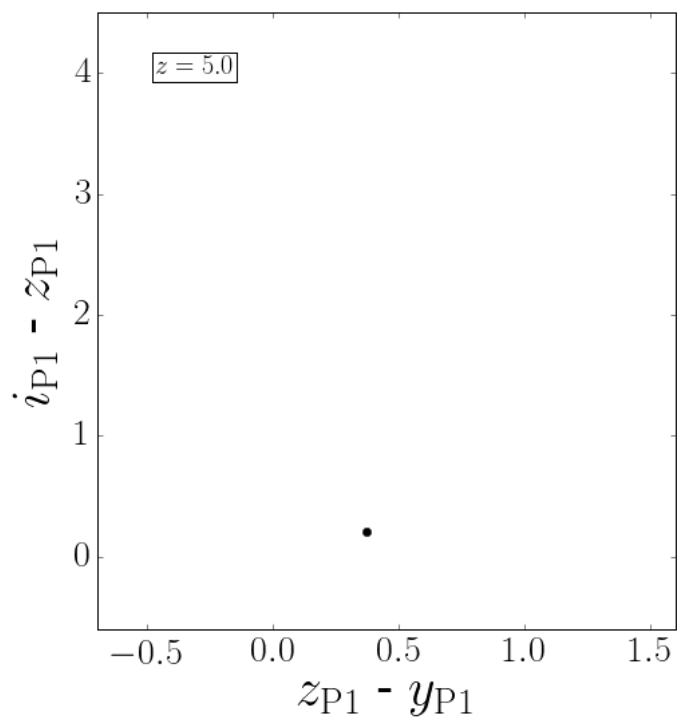
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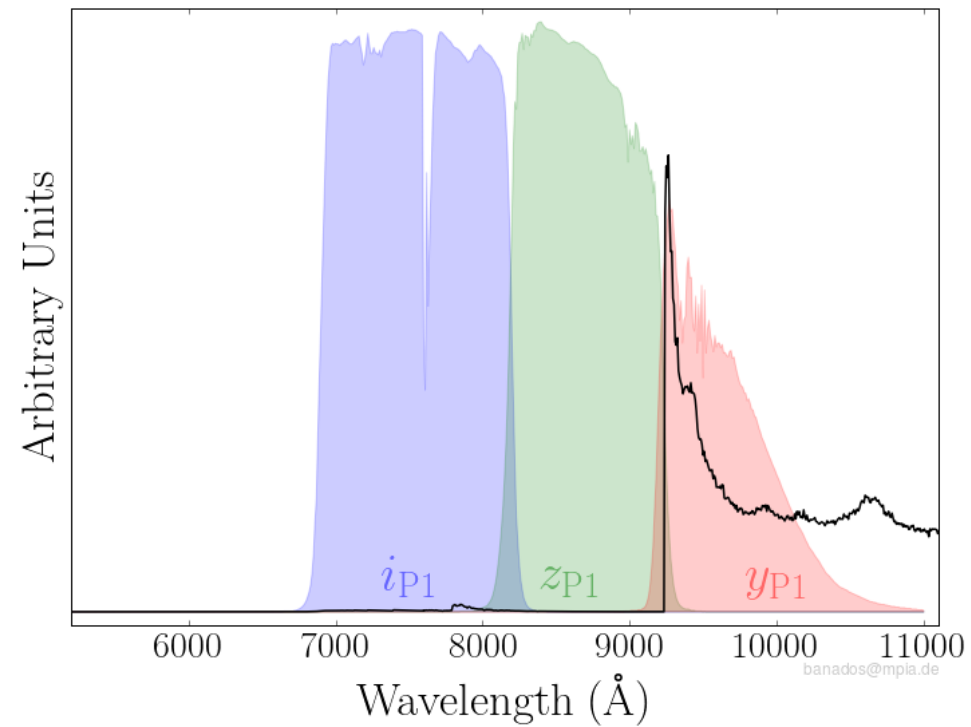
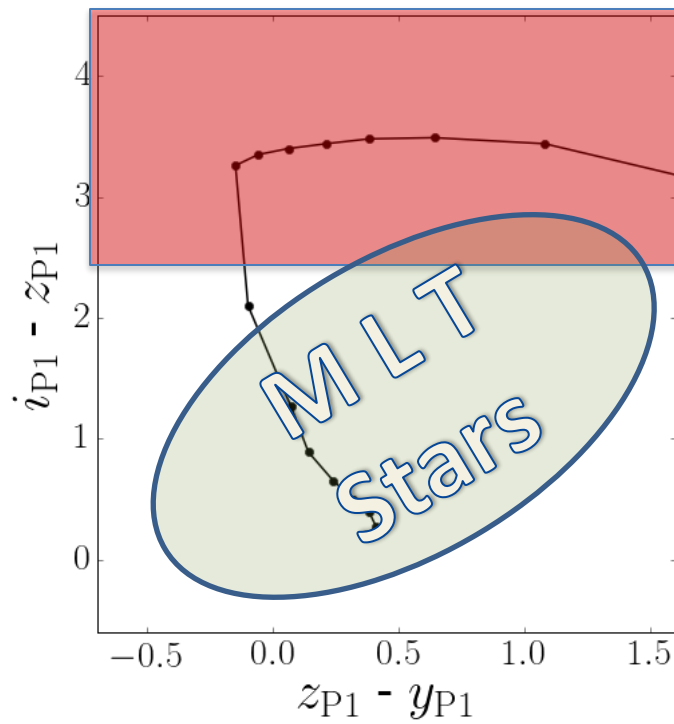
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Quasar selection



Quasar selection



Finding the quasars in the haystack

Very rare
 $\sim < 1 \text{ Gpc}^{-3}$ at $z=7$
 $\rightarrow \sim < 1$ per 100 deg^2

Schindler, Bañados+2023

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Overwhelming amount of
contaminants

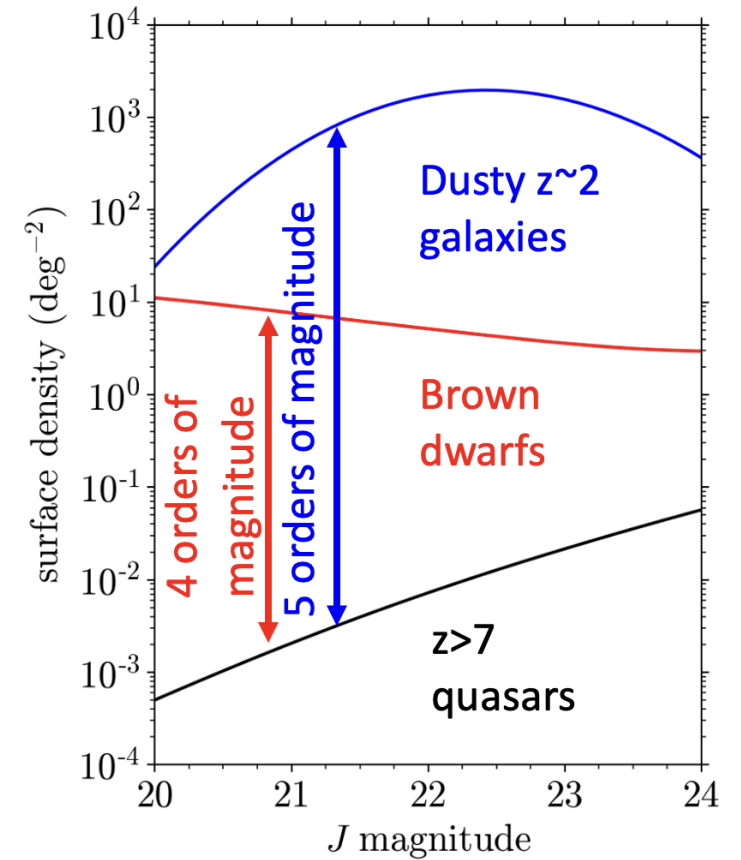
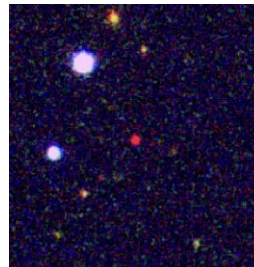
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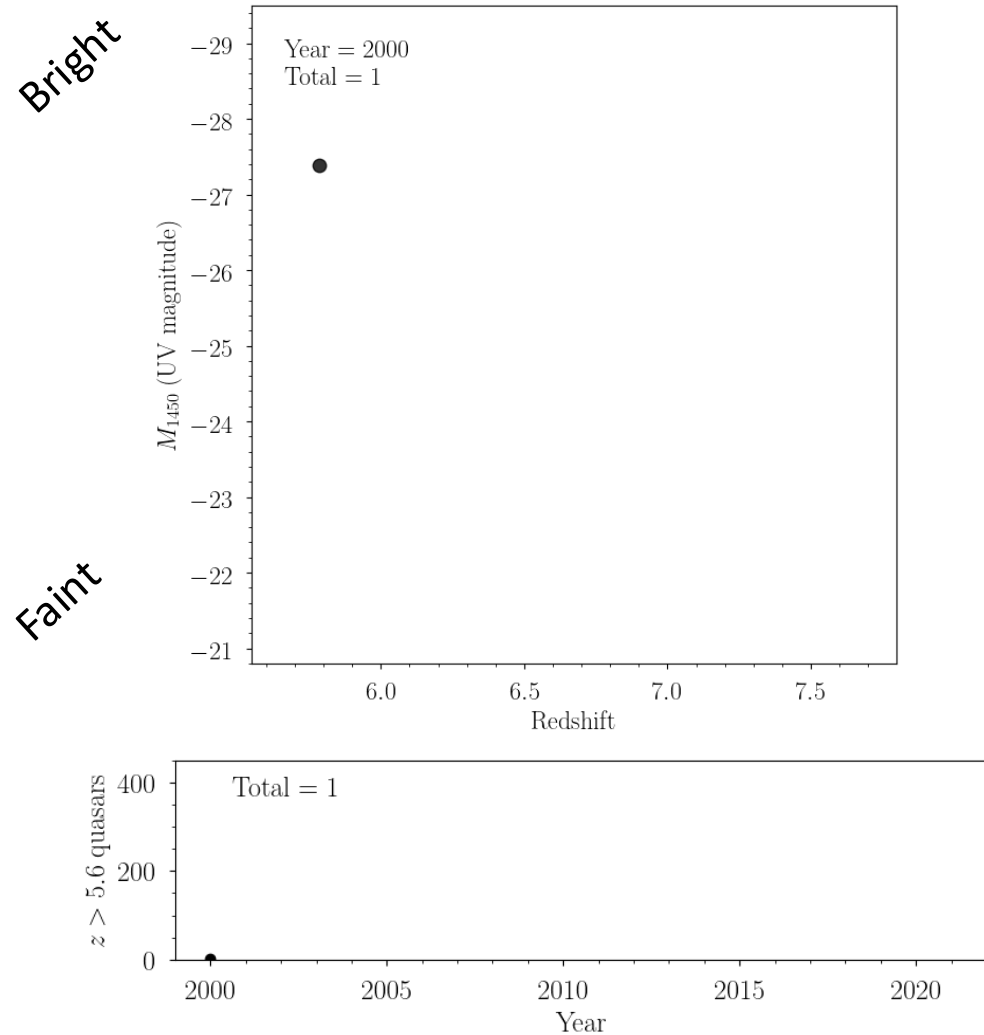


$z=7.5$ quasar



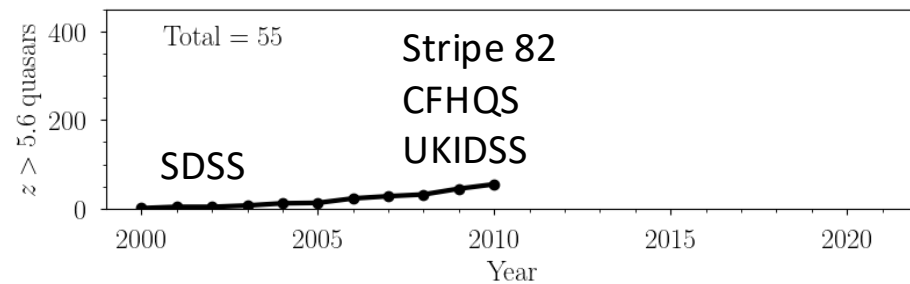
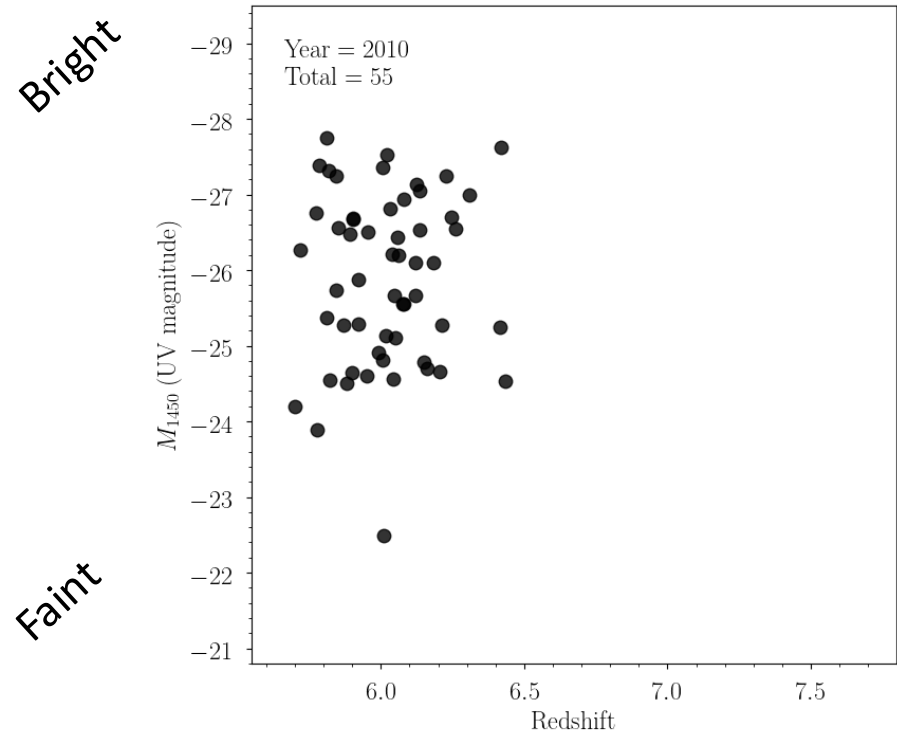
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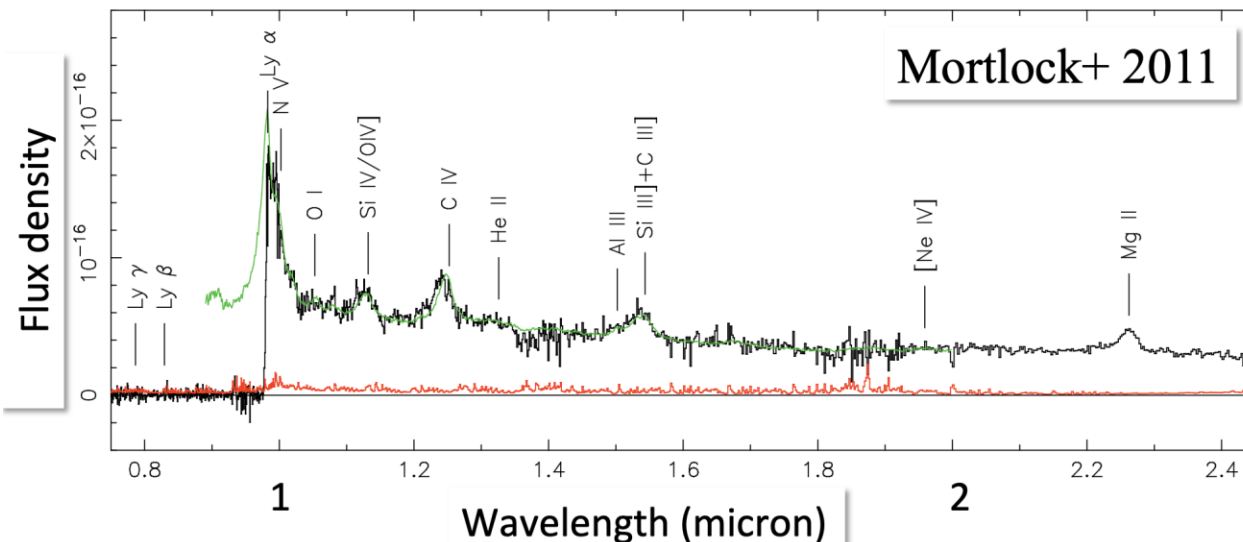
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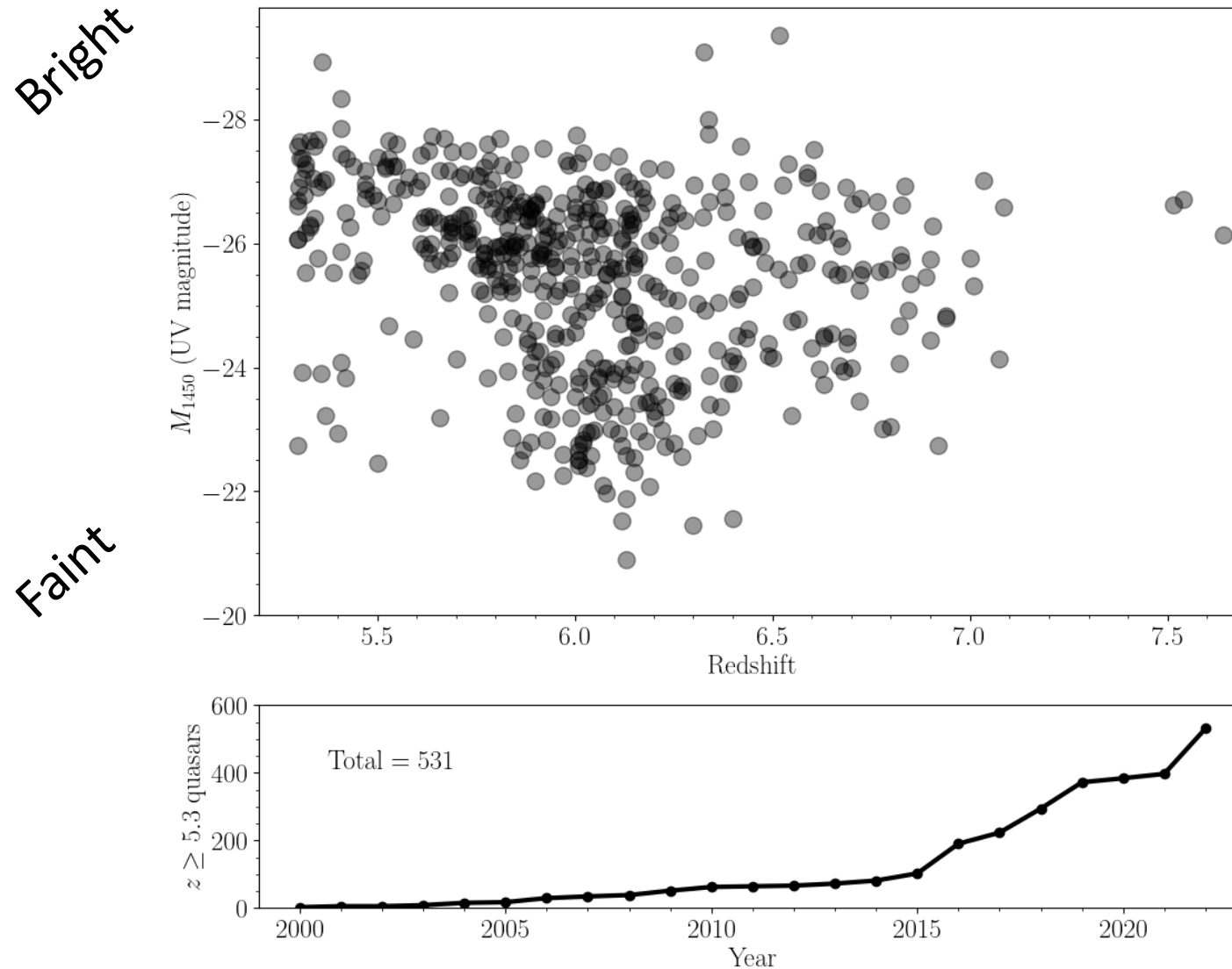


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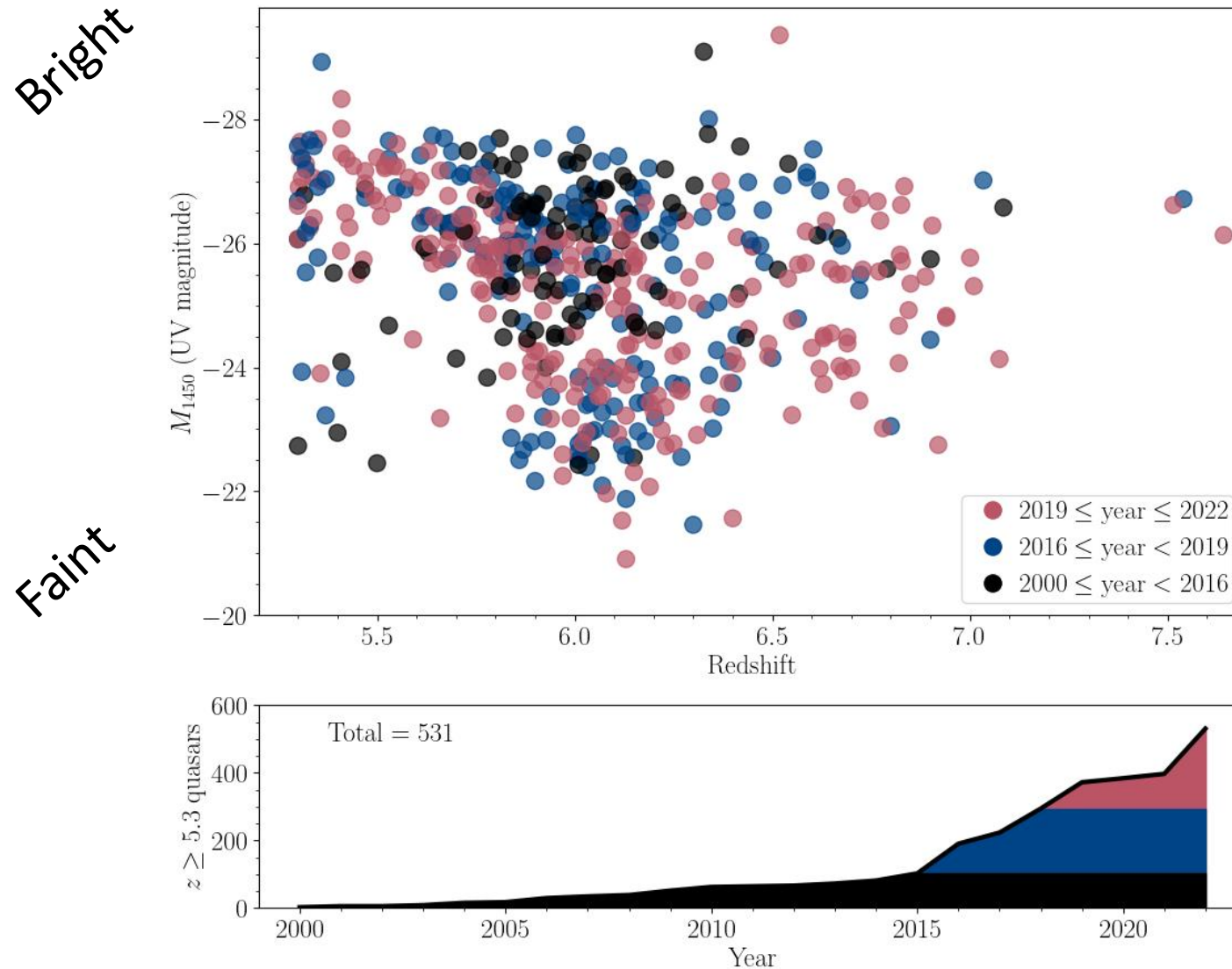


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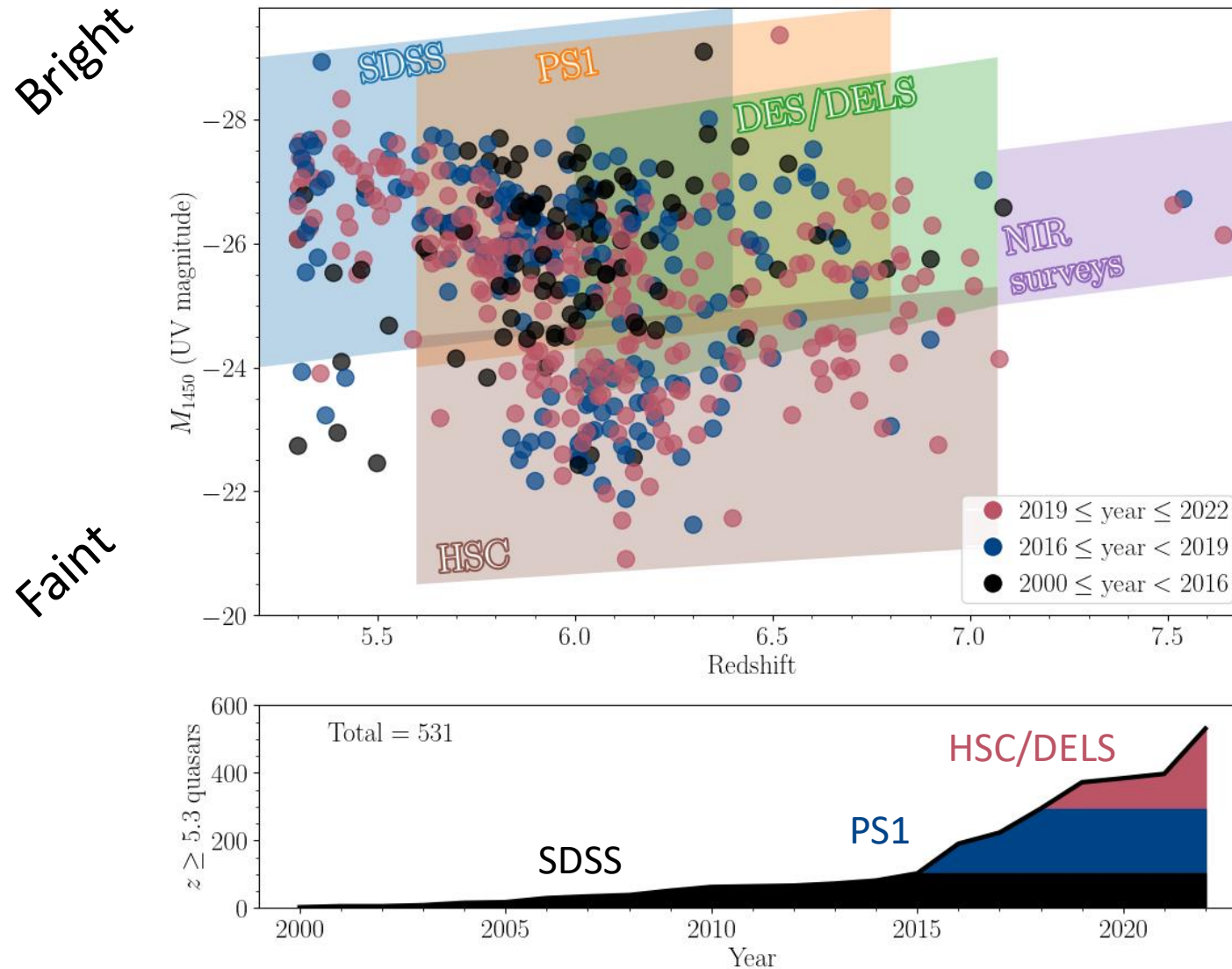


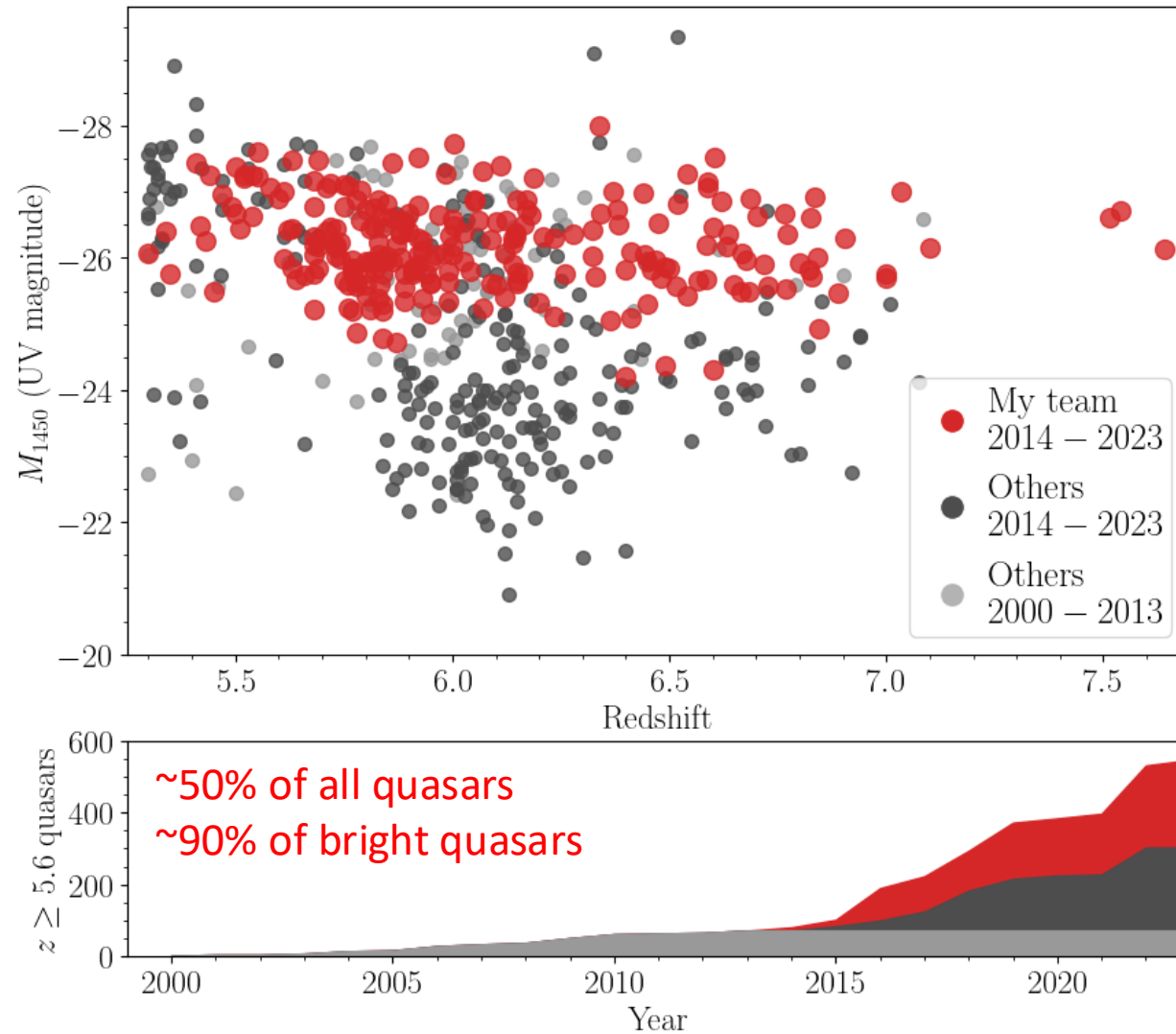
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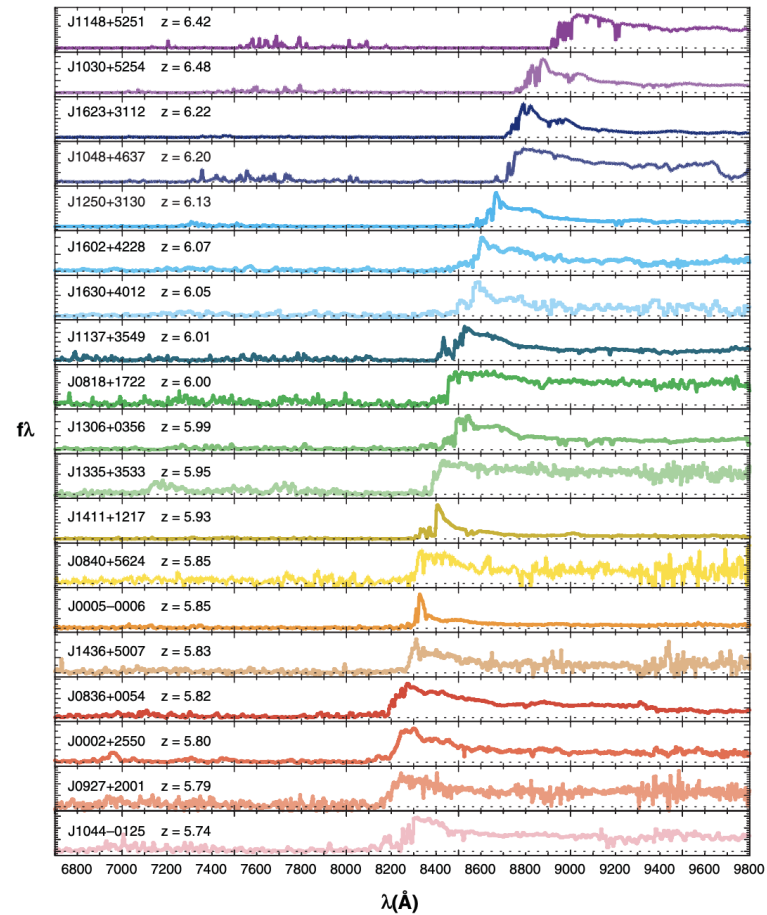
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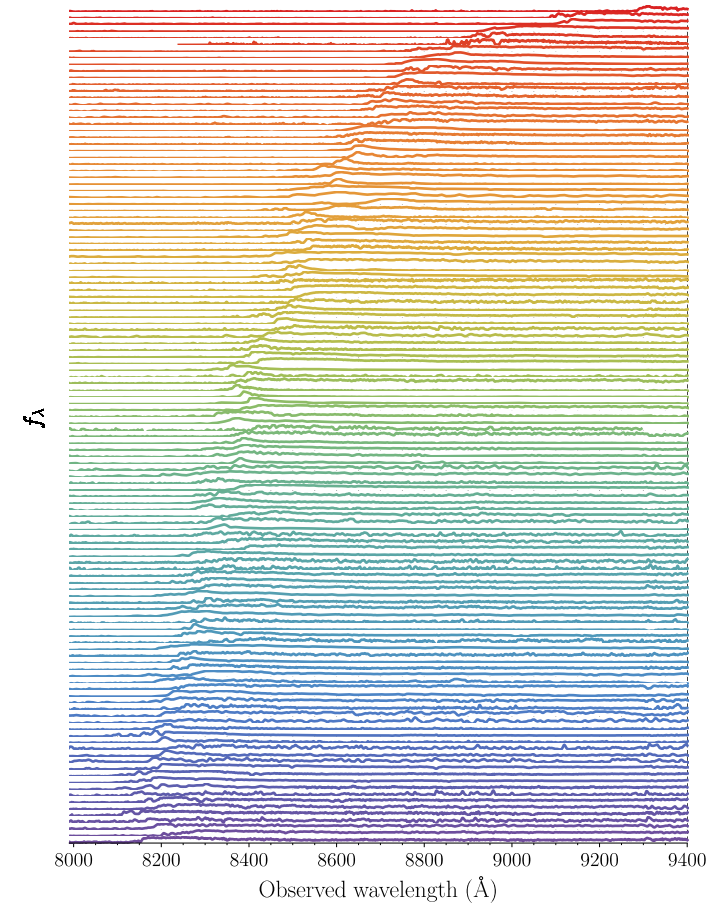
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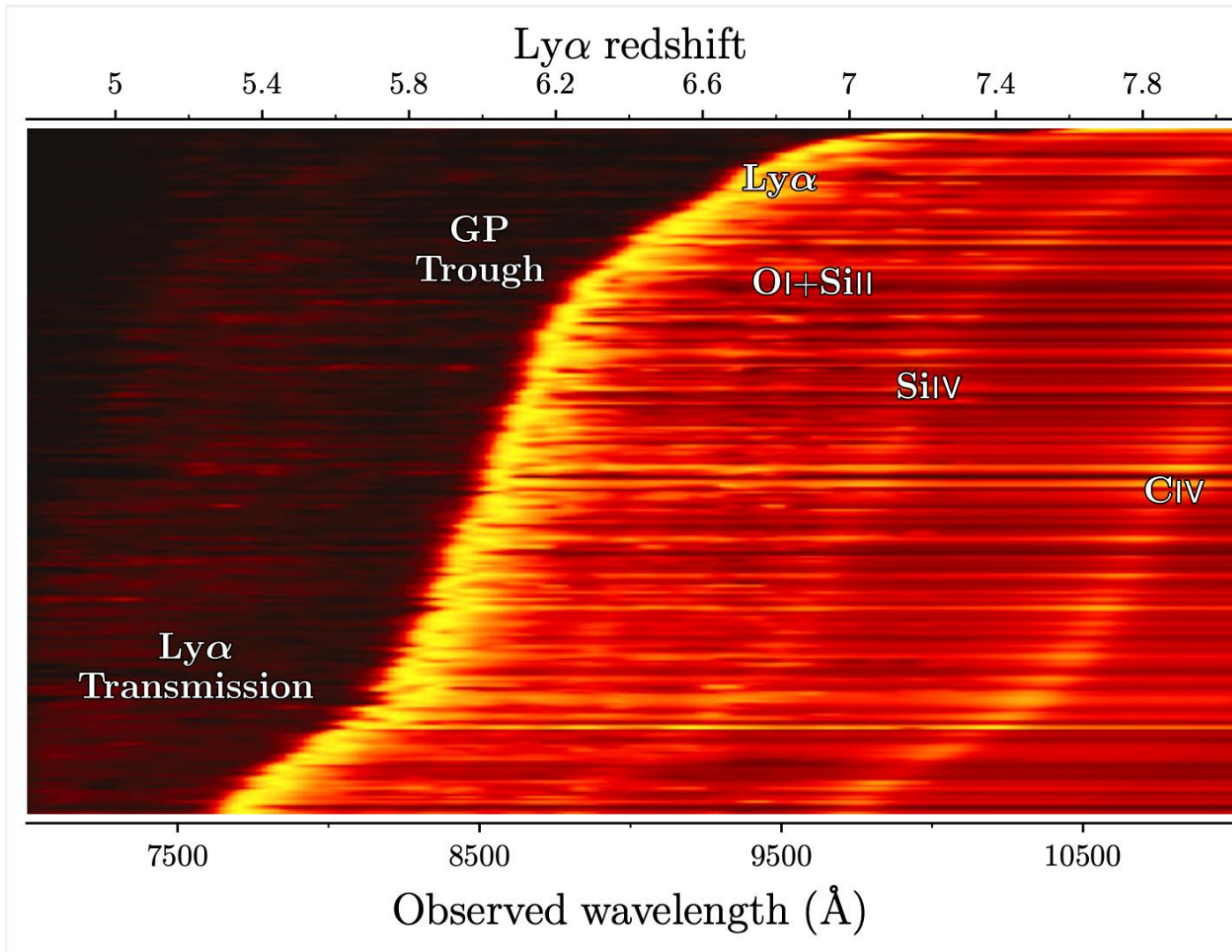
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>500 Reionization-era quasars



~300 at $z > 6$

8 at $z > 7$

3 at $z > 7.5$

Database with
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Coordinates, redshifts, UV
magnitudes, Black Hole
Masses, references ...

Fig. 3

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Abstract

Koptelova & Hwang (K22) recently claimed a new quasar discovery at $z = 7.46$. After careful consideration of the publicly available data underlying K22's claim, we find that the observations were contaminated by a moving solar system object, likely a main-belt asteroid. In the absence of the contaminated photometry, there is no evidence for the nearby, persistent WISE source being a high-redshift object; in fact, a detection of the source in DESI Legacy Imaging Surveys z -band rules out a redshift $z > 7.3$. We present our findings as a cautionary tale of the dangers of passing asteroids for photometric selections.

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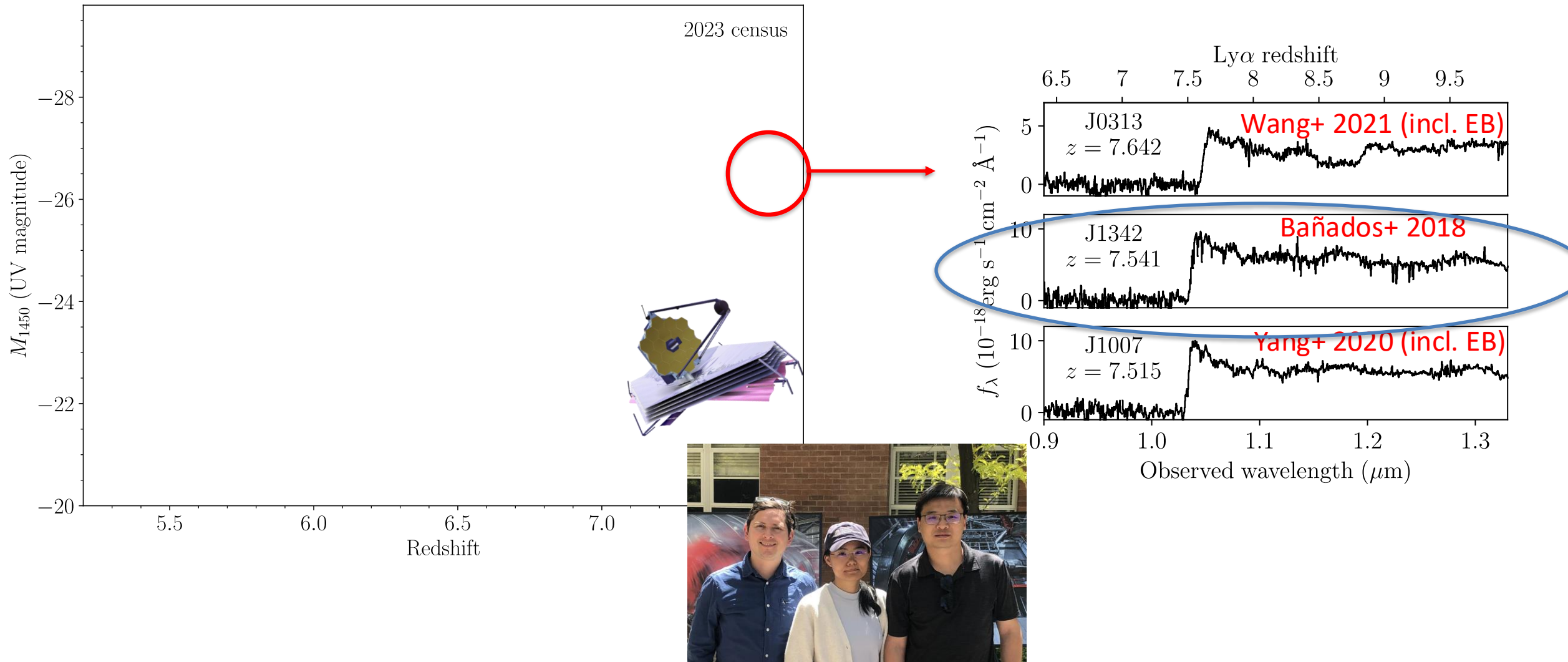
ND CHORNG-YUAN HWANG¹

It's an asteroid!
(#43838) 1993 FW49

Bosman, Davies & Bañados 2023



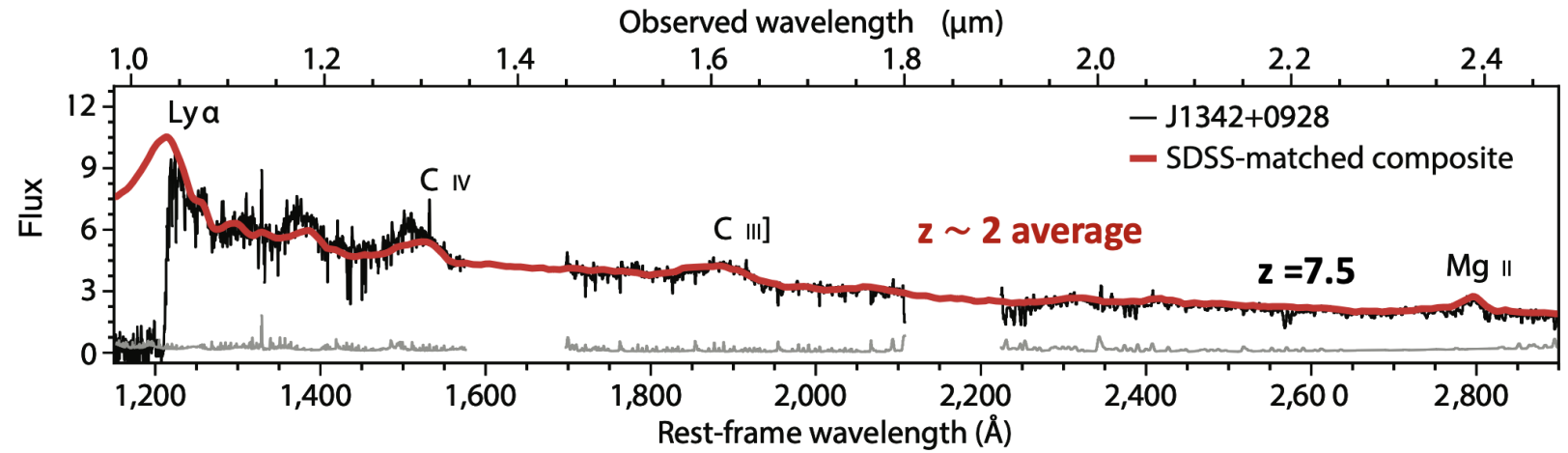
Quasars at the reionization frontier



What does it take to make a Pisco Sour?



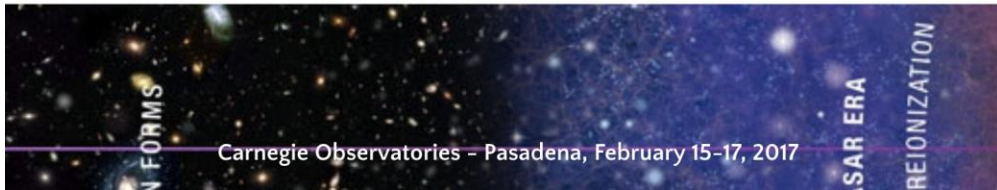
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What does it take to make a Pisco Sour?

High-z quasars in the JWST era

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The most distant quasars Where we are and where we are going

Eduardo Bañados
Carnegie-Princeton Fellow

Feb 15, 2017

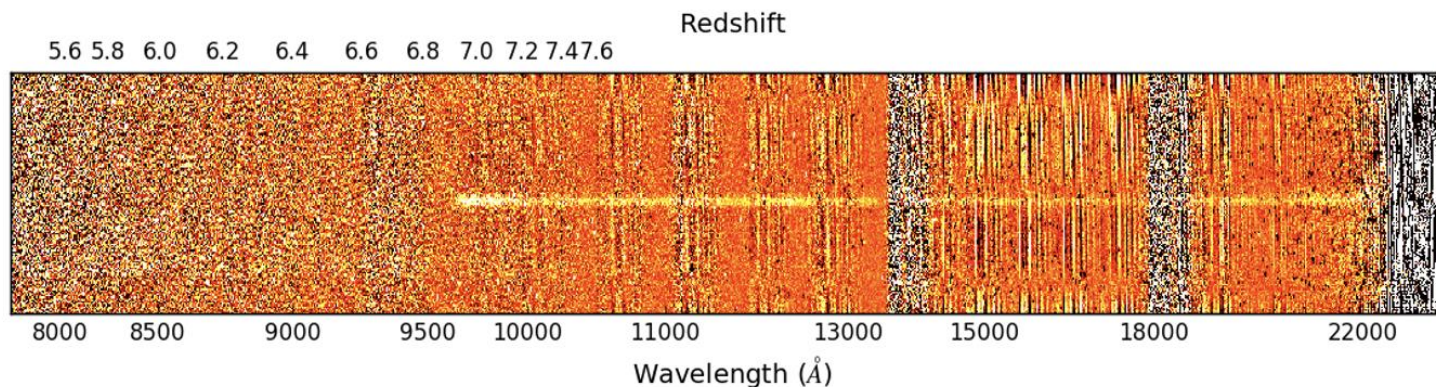
What does it take to make a Pisco Sour?

In 2016 ... testing Magellan telescope capabilities

How to push to $z > 8$? FIRE

ULASJ1120+0641 at $z=7.1$ in 4 minutes

$J_{AB} = 20.3$



What does it take to make a Pisco Sour?

How to push to $z > 8$? FIRE

Semester: 2017a
Investigator: Eduardo Banados
Department: CIW
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Telephone: 626 3040 236

Project No. 1: The Carnegie search for the first QSOs: pushing the redshift barrier
Priority: 1
Co-Investigators: Bram Venemans (MPIA), Fabian Walter (MPIA), Chiara Mazzucchelli (MPIA)

Observing Runs:

No.	Blocks	Nights	Max Moon	Telescope	Instr. One	Instr. Two	Service	Observers
1	2017_D02 (2017_D02-2017_D03)	2	8	Baade	FIRE	FourStar	No	Eduardo Banados
2	2017_D04 (2017_D04-2017_D05)	2	8	Baade	FIRE	FourStar	No	Eduardo Banados

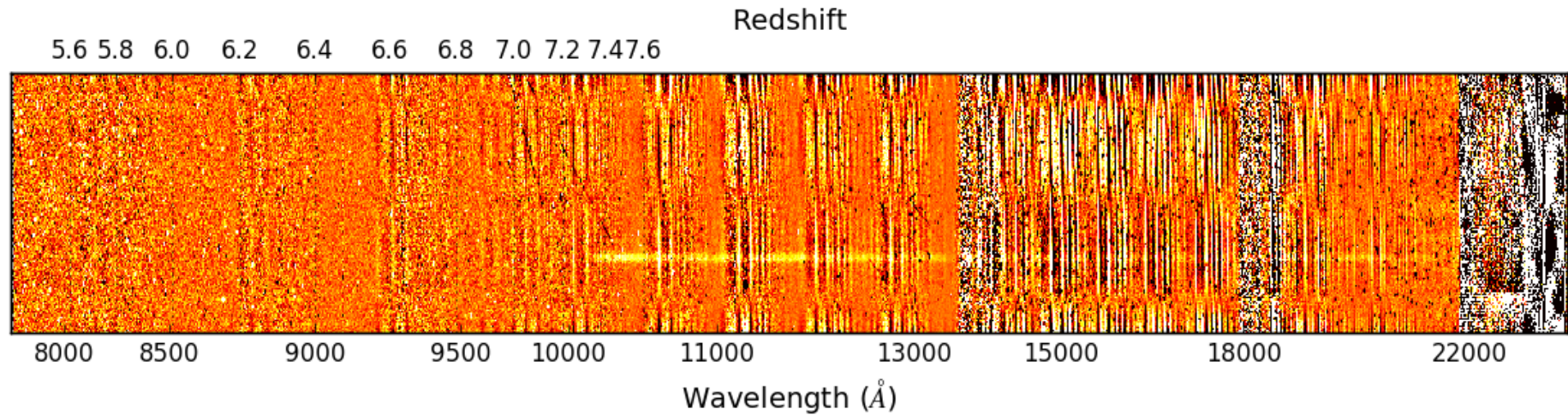
The PI has discussed these projects with the following TAC members:
Dr. John Mulchaey and Dr. Gwen Rudie.

Who wants to observe with me?

(observations in ~1 month)

What does it take to make a Pisco Sour?

~5 am of the last night ... a new redshift-record was born ...



What does it take to make a Pisco Sour?

Eduardo Banados 

March 10, 2017 at 3:22 AM

To: Fabian Walter, Venemans Bram, Roberto Decarli, Chiara Mazzucchelli, Xiaohui Fan, Feige Wang, [and 2 more...](#)
pisco sour quasar

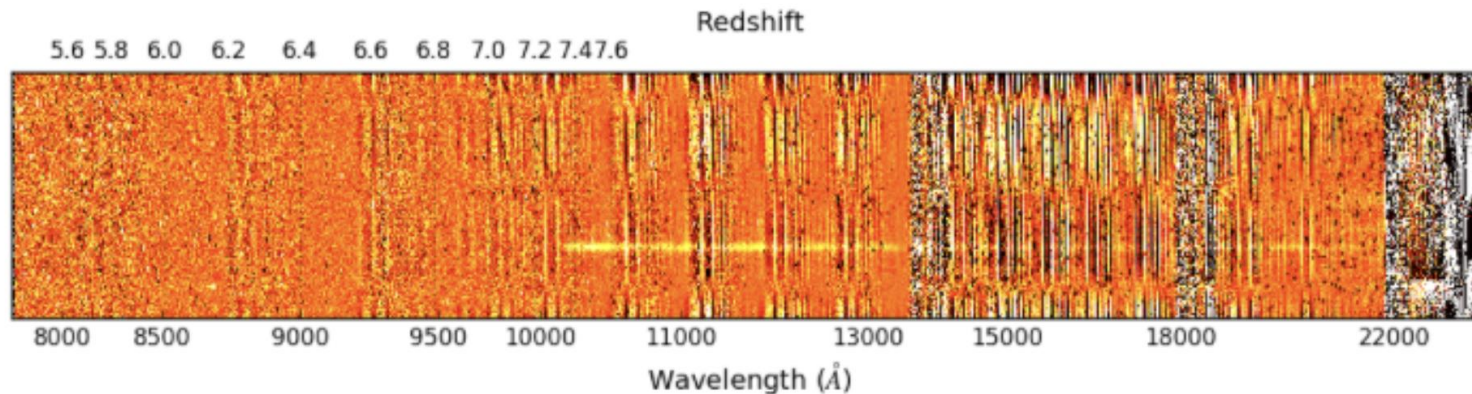
Dear all,

We are concluding the last night at Magellan. We observed more than 100 objects and we are happy to tell you that we have a winner! See attached the 'pisco sour' $z > 7.2$ quasar.

Now is pisco sour time.

Cheers,

Eduardo & Dan



Slide from
Xiaohui Fan

Pisco sour time

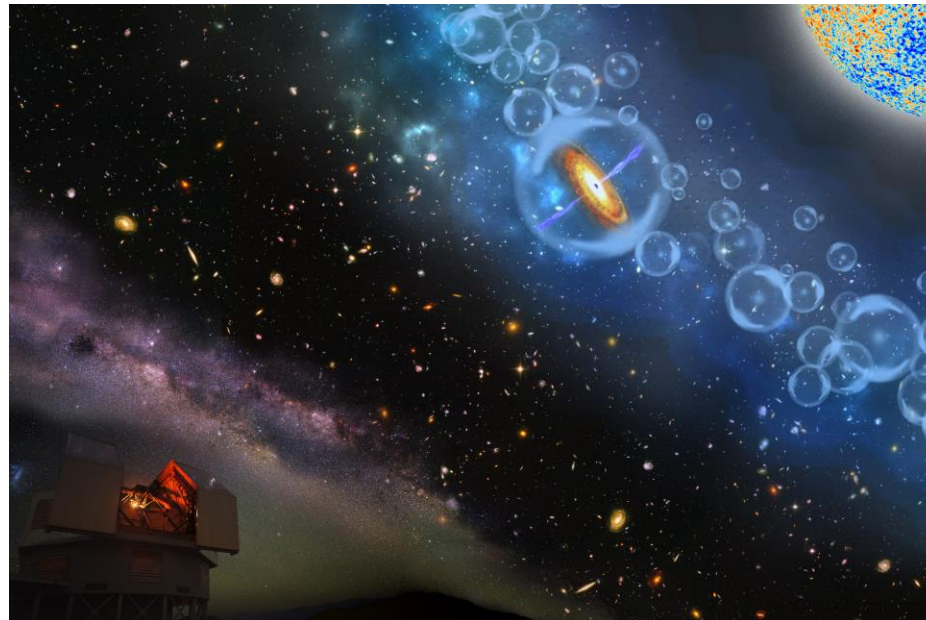


Wikipedia page in <1 hour

ULAS J1342+0928

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

ULAS J1342+0928 is the most distant known [quasar](#) detected and contains the most distant [supermassive black hole](#),^{[1][5][6][7]} at a reported [redshift](#) of $z = 7.54$, surpassing the redshift of 7 for the previously known most distant quasar [ULAS J1120+0641](#).^[1] The ULAS J1342+0928 quasar is 13.1 billion light-years away from Earth^{[5][8]} in the [Boötes constellation](#).^[3] The related supermassive black hole is reported to be "800 million times the mass of the sun".^[5]



I never said this

Dawn of time? Oldest monster black hole ever found could 'prove Big Bang NEVER happened'

A SUPERMASSIVE black hole has left scientists questioning beginning of life.



By **Jamie Micklethwaite** / Published 7th December 2017

Big Bang theory wrong: Black hole found that's so big and old it makes Big Bang IMPOSSIBLE

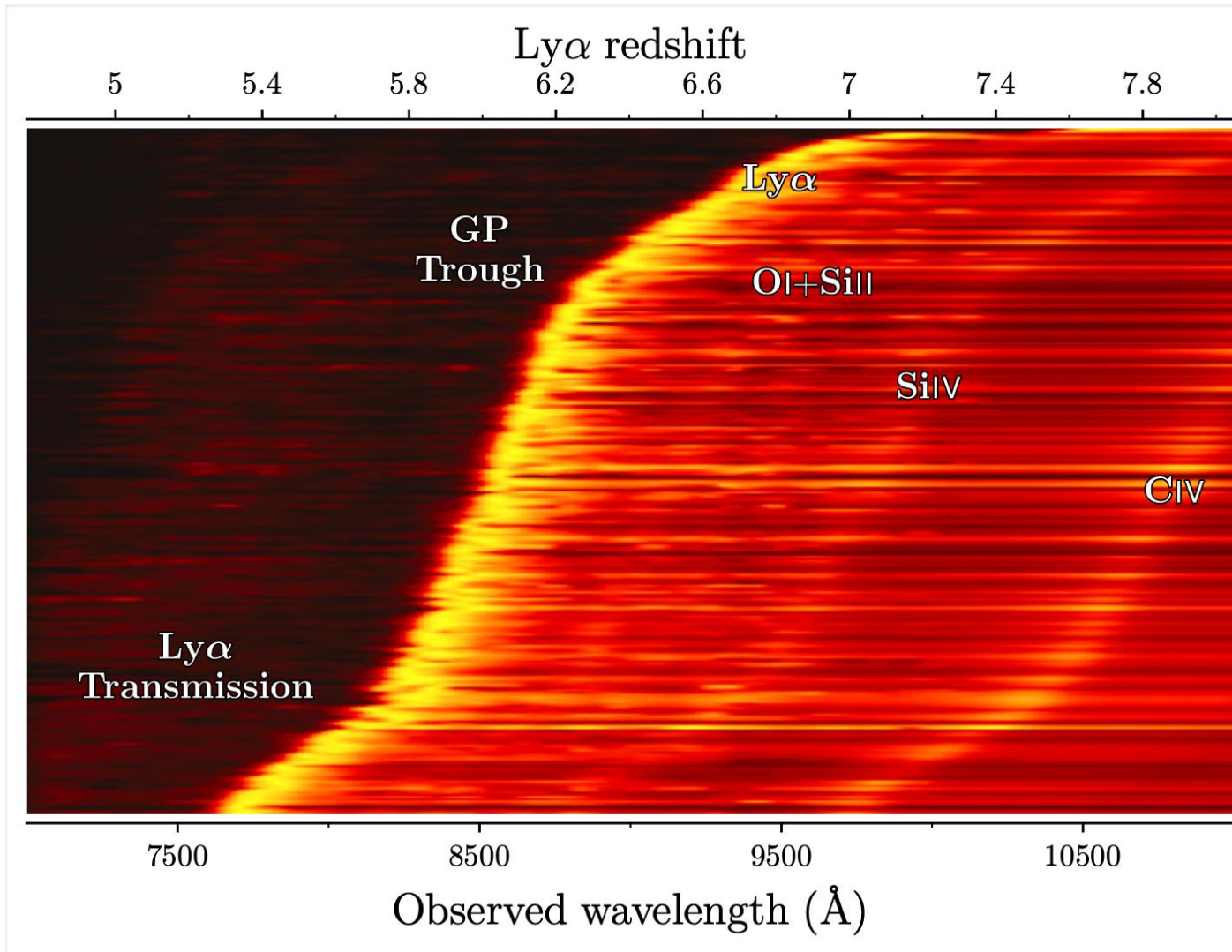
ASTRONOMERS have spotted a black hole that is almost as old as the universe itself, putting a huge question mark over the Big Bang theory.

By **SEAN MARTIN**

PUBLISHED: 11:07, Mon, Dec 11, 2017 | UPDATED: 11:30, Mon, Dec 11, 2017



>500 Reionization-era quasars



~300 at $z > 6$

8 at $z > 7$

3 at $z > 7.5$

Database with
properties published
with the review

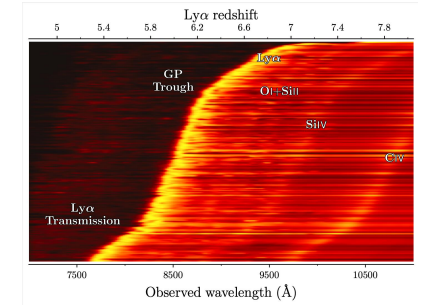
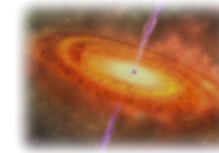
Coordinates, redshifts, UV
magnitudes, Black Hole
Masses, references ...

Fig. 3

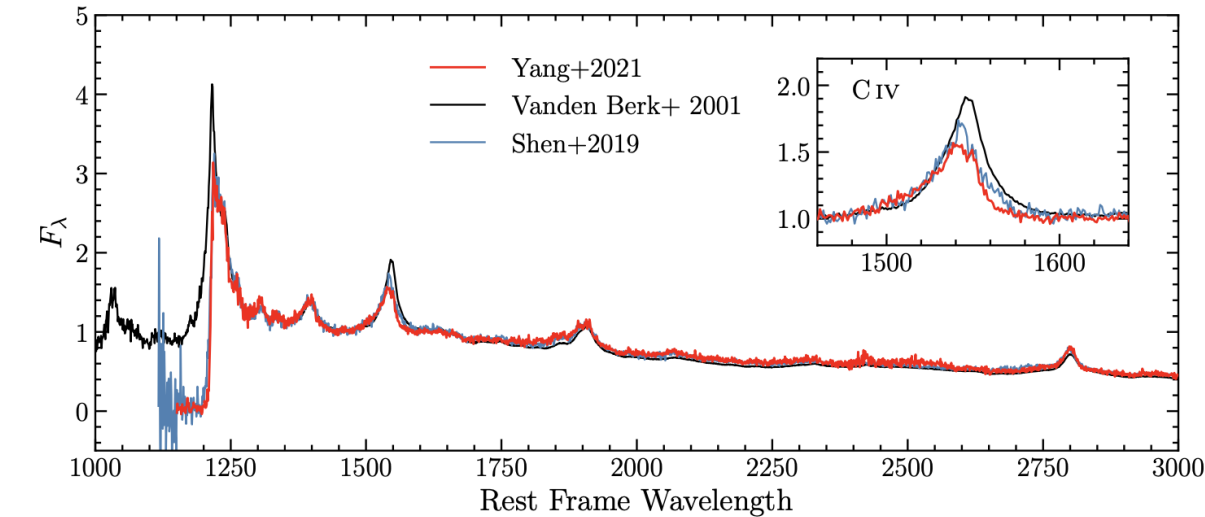
Fan, Bañados, Simcoe 2023

Outline

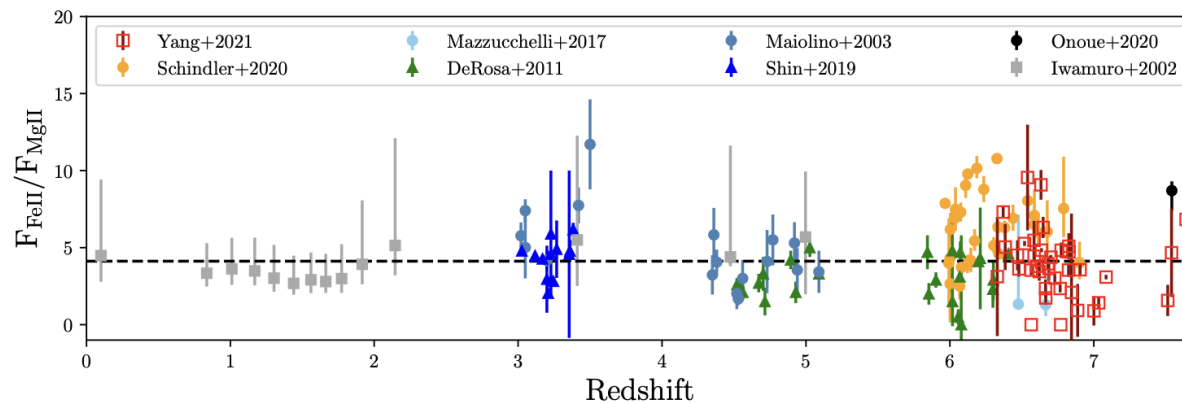
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- **SMBH $\rightarrow$ $\sim$ pc scales**
- Galaxy / Close envs. $\rightarrow$ $\sim$ kpc scales
- Environments /IGM $\rightarrow$ $\sim$ Mpc scales



Quasars look the same across cosmic time



Composite spectra at $z \sim 2$, $z \sim 6$, and $z \sim 6.6$



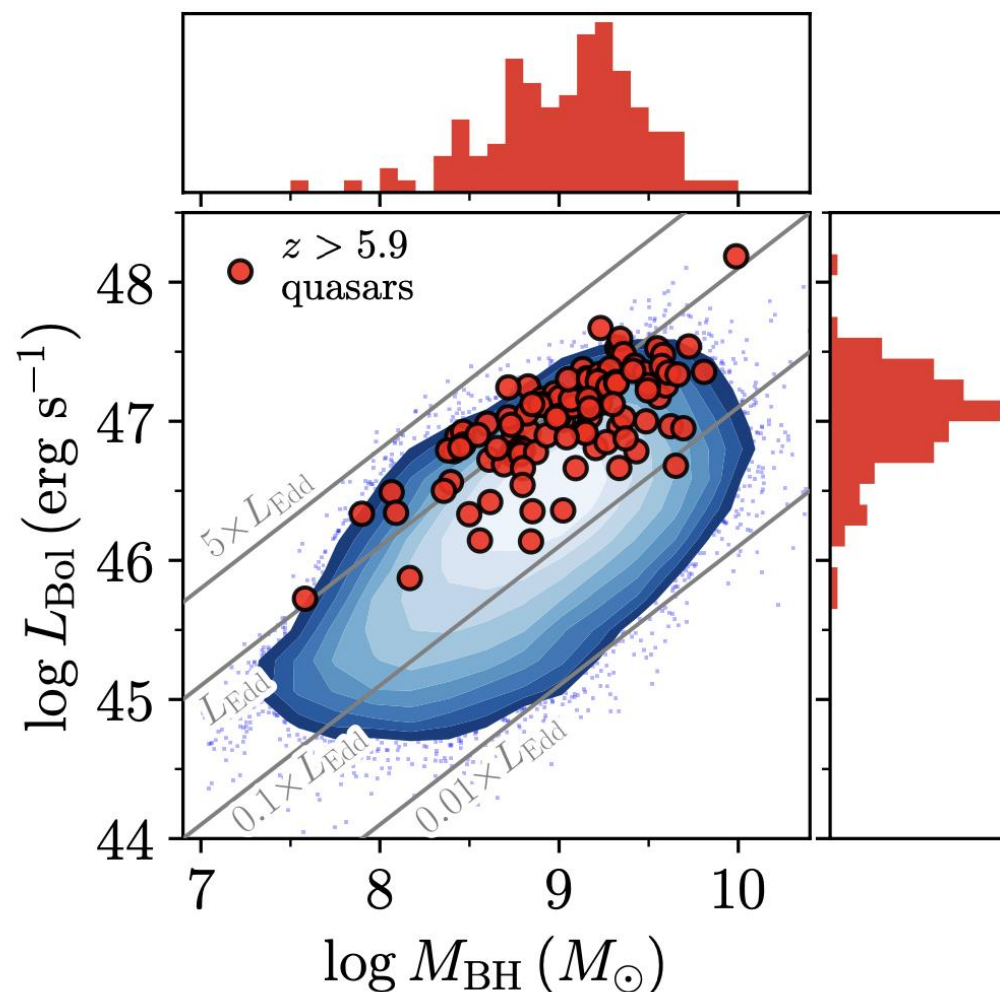
No evolution of the Broad Line Region metal enrichment up to $z \sim 7.5$

Fig. 5

Fan, Bañados, Simcoe 2023
Adapted from Yang+2021

*See also Schindler+2020 (incl. EB), Onoue, Bañados+2020

The growth of supermassive black holes



All MgII-based black hole mass measurements at $z > 5.9$

Eddington ratios 0.08 – 2.70
Mean: 0.92
Median: 0.79

Fig. 6
Fan, Bañados, Simcoe 2023

What were the “seeds” of supermassive black holes?

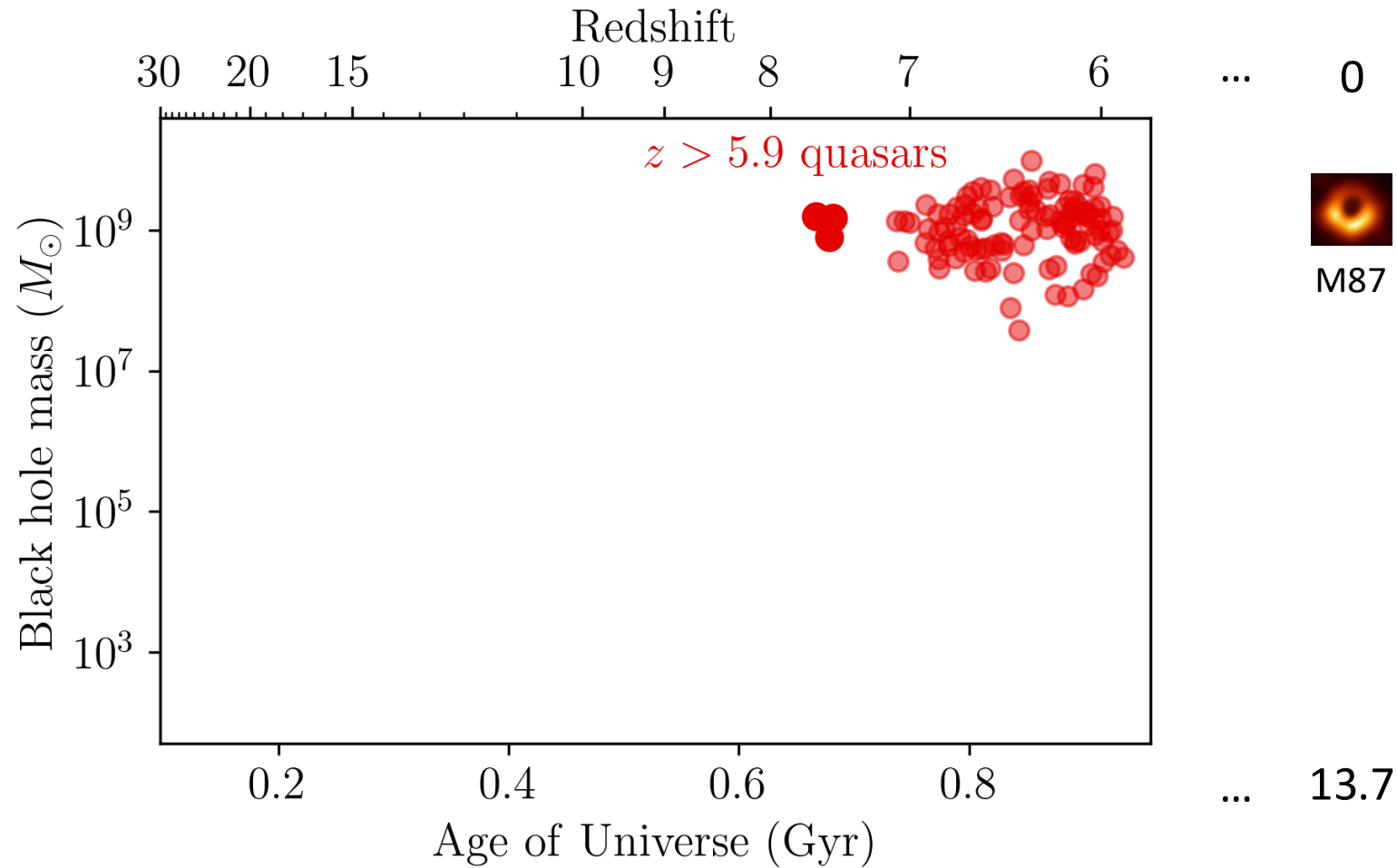
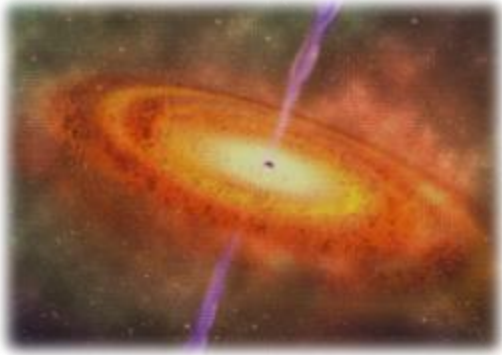


Fig 7.
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Mass growth of a black hole



HOMEWORK:

Derive the following equation:

$$M_{\text{BH}}(t) = M_{\text{BH,seed}} \times \exp \left[(1 - \epsilon_r) \lambda_{\text{Edd}} \frac{t}{t_{\text{Sal}}} \right], \quad 7.$$

where ϵ_r is the radiative efficiency, which is the efficiency of converting mass to energy, and the Salpeter time is defined as

$$t_{\text{Sal}} = \frac{\epsilon_r \sigma_{\text{T}} c}{4\pi G m_{\text{p}}} \approx \epsilon_r 450 \text{ Myr}. \quad 8.$$

Assuming $\lambda_{\text{Edd}} = 1$ and $\epsilon_r = 0.1$, Equation 7 is equal to

$$M_{\text{BH}}(t) = M_{\text{BH,seed}} \times \exp \left[\frac{t}{50 \text{ Myr}} \right]. \quad 9.$$

What were the “seeds” of supermassive black holes?

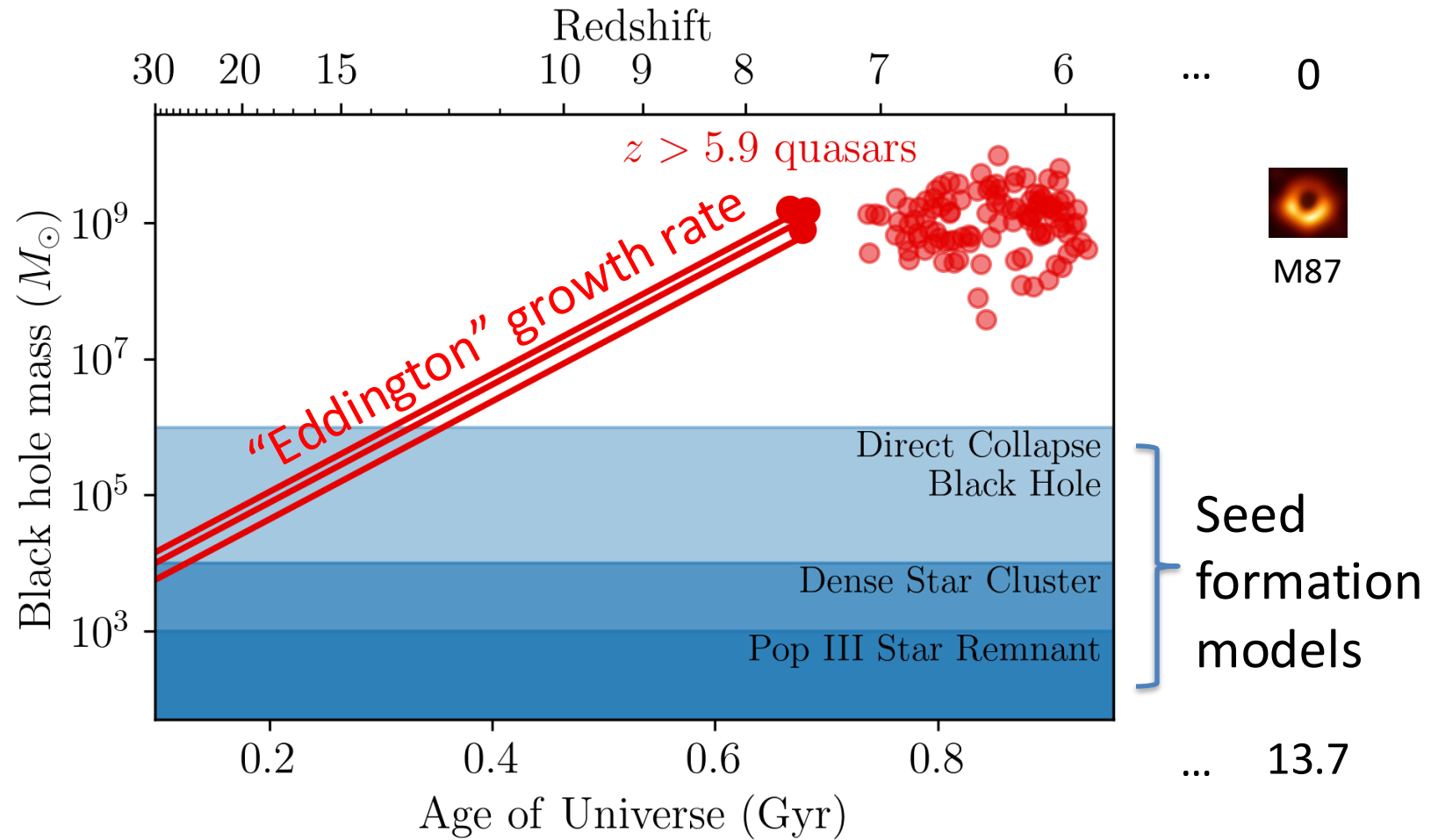
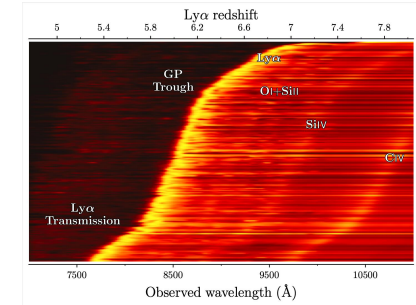
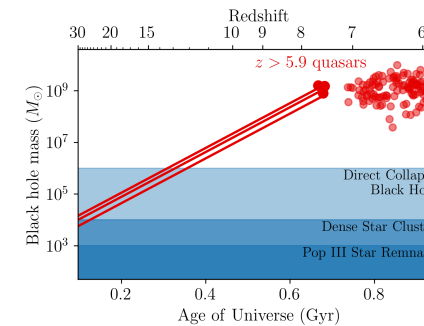


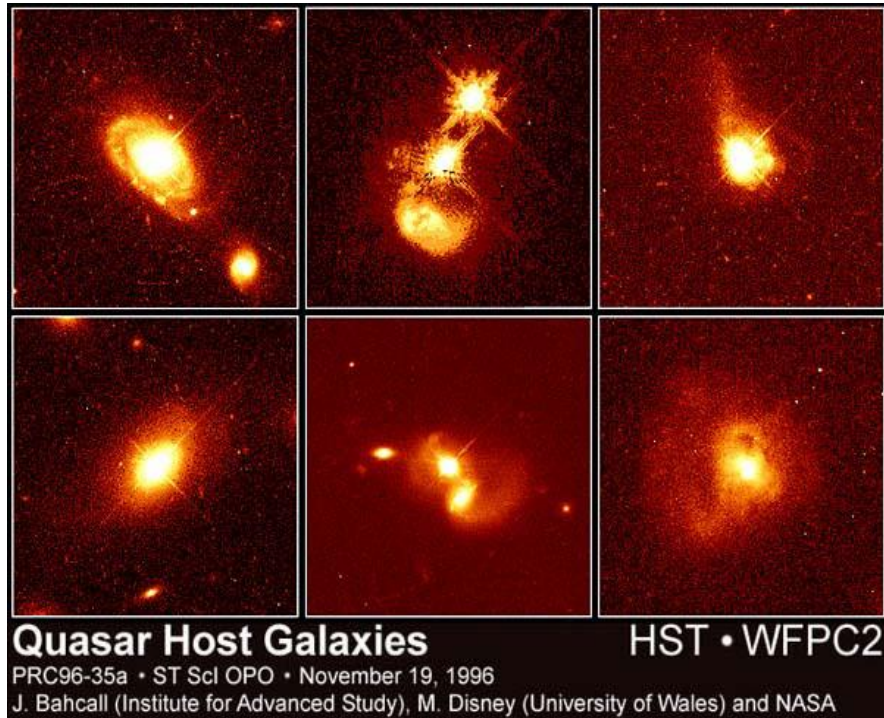
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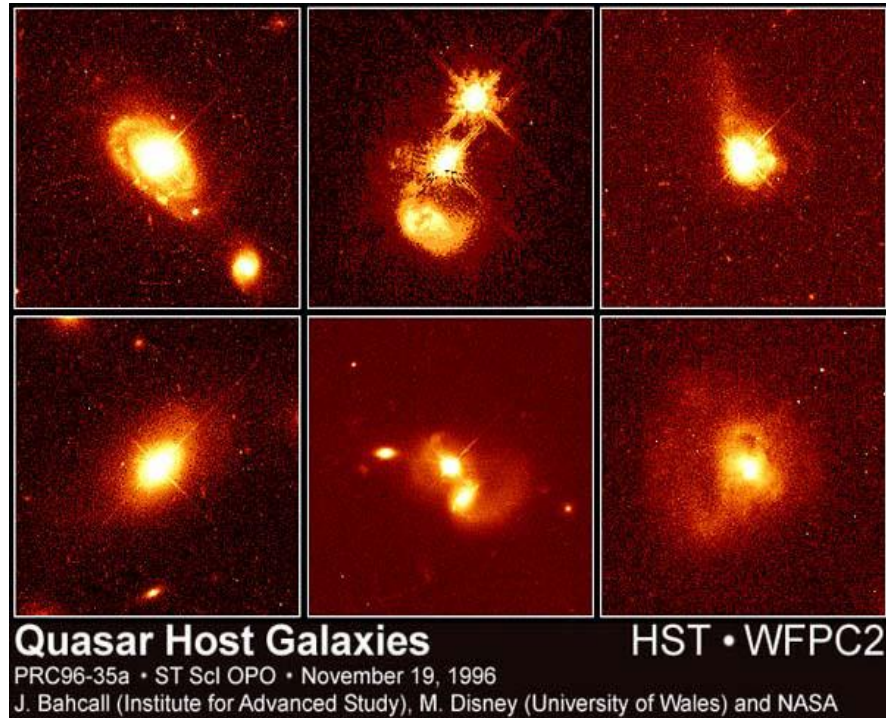
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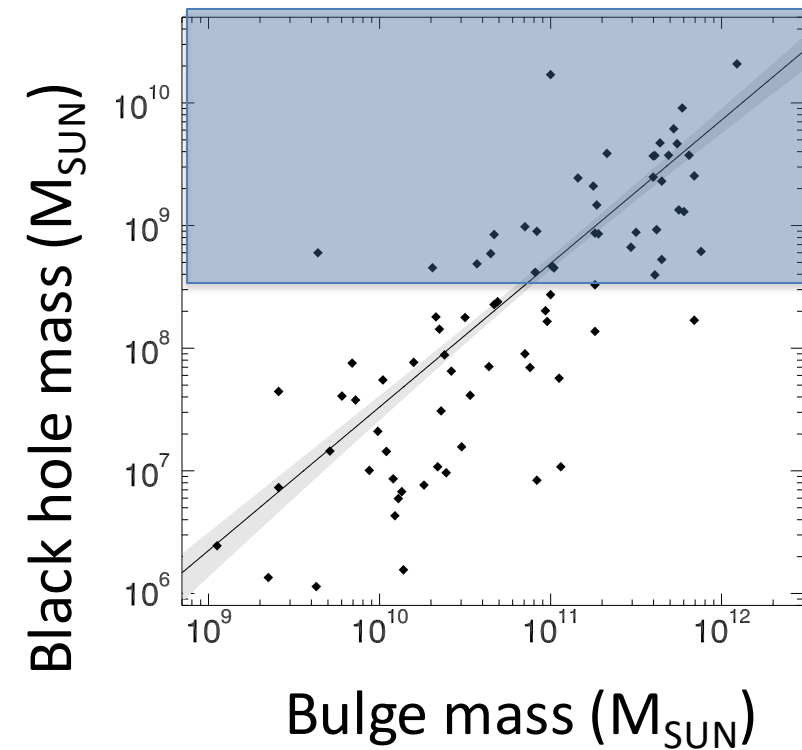
Quasar as a phase of a galaxy



Quasar as a phase of a galaxy



Local black hole – bulge mass relation

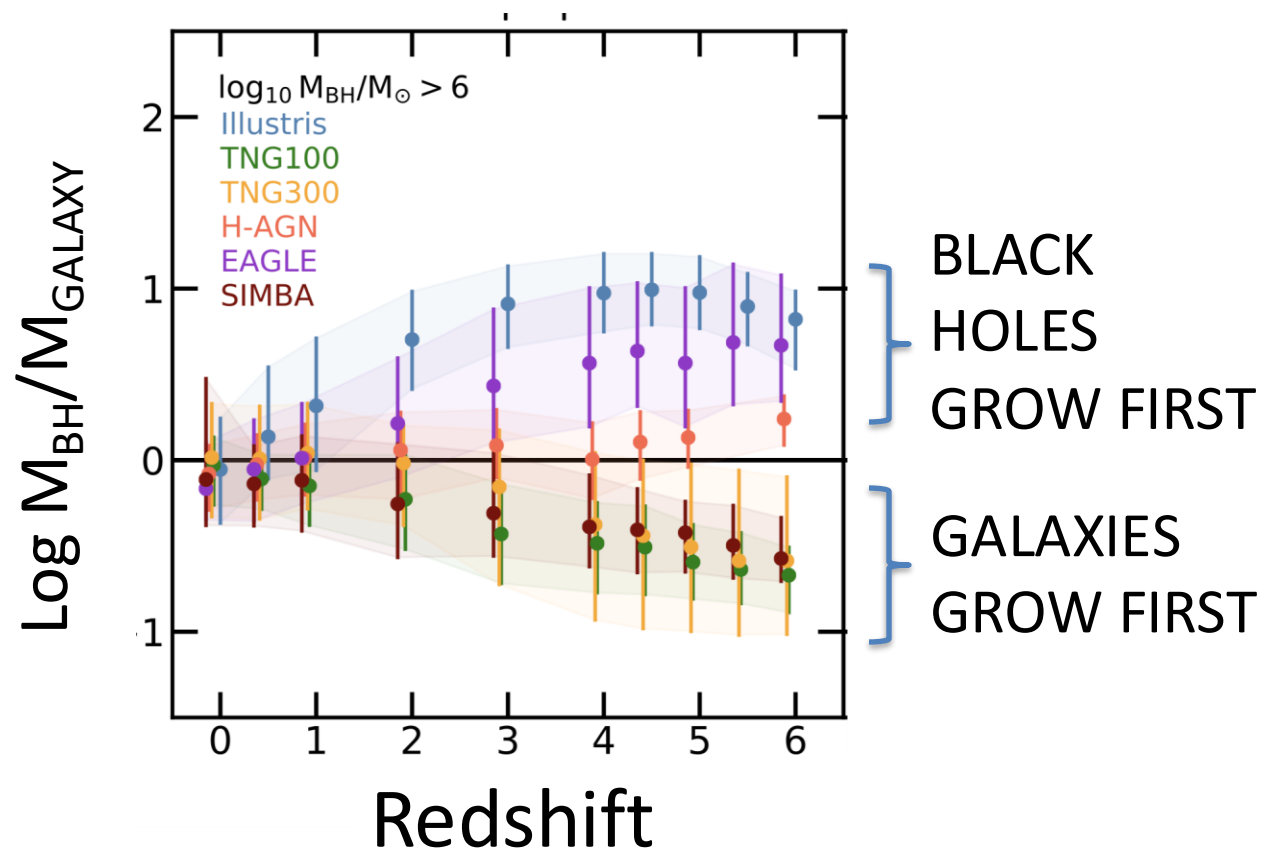


Häring & Rix 2004
Kormendy & Ho 2013

What came first, black holes or galaxies?

Observational test: In which galaxies do black holes live?

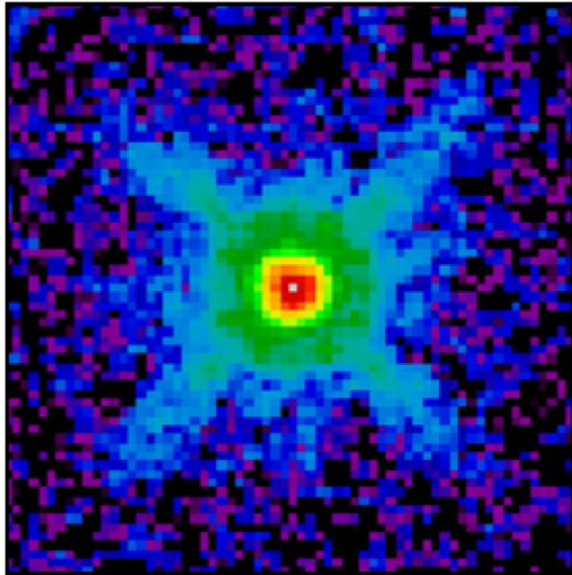
Simulations diverge
at high redshift



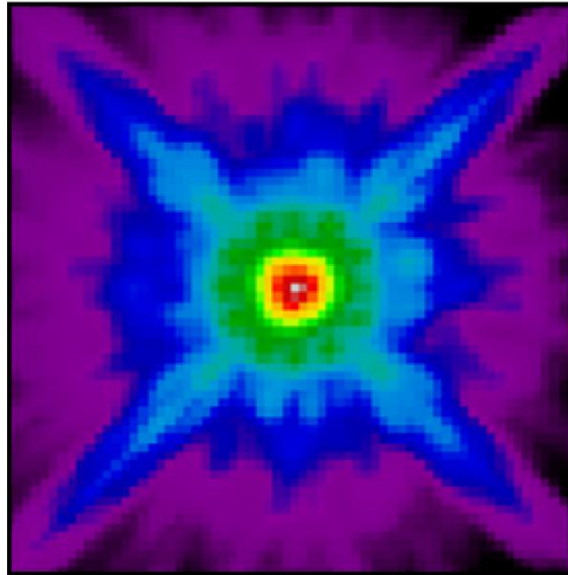
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Where is the stellar light in $z > 6$ quasars?

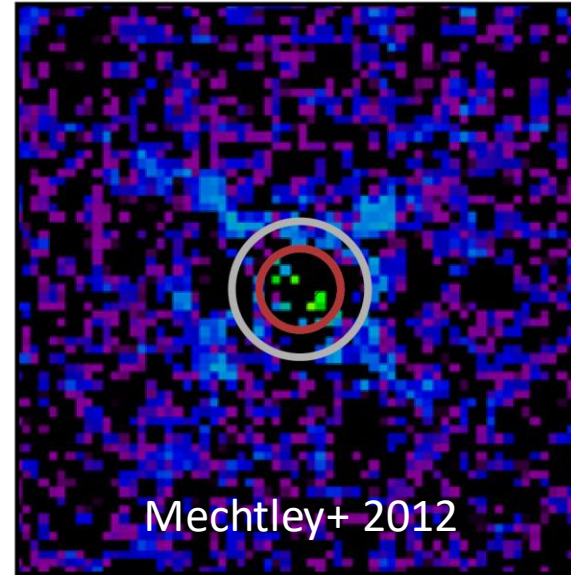
Extremely hard in the UV/Optical even with HST



Quasar



PSF model



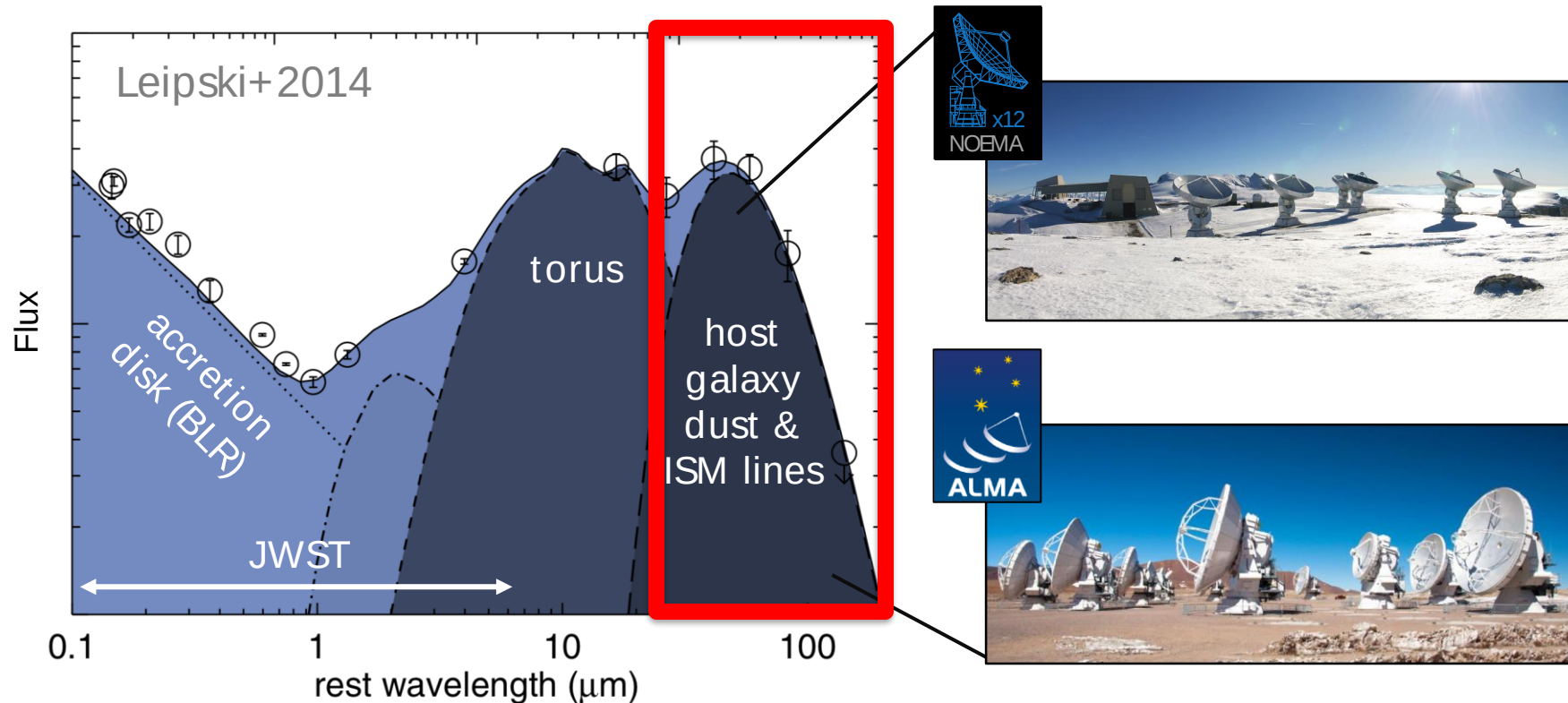
Quasar - PSF

See also Decarli+2012

Quasar host galaxies

The host galaxies dominate at rest-frame FIR

- Dust continuum
- Interstellar medium (ISM) lines: [CII], [OIII], CO, ...



First [CII] on a $z>6$ quasar. - 2005

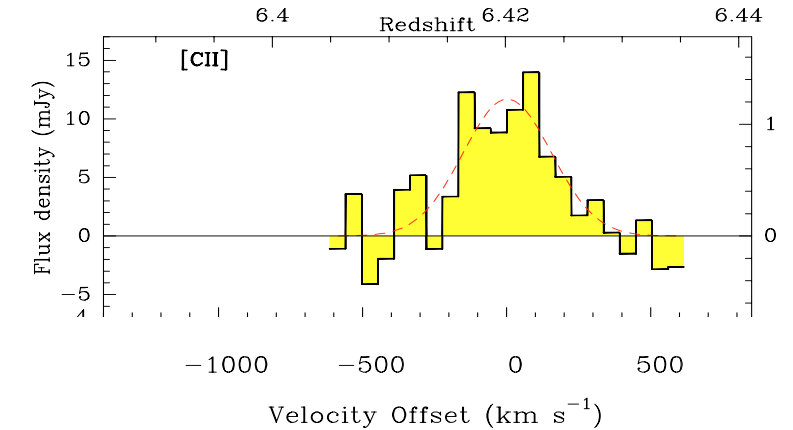
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**Astronomy
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Astrophysics**

First detection of [CII]158 μm at high redshift: vigorous star formation in the early universe

R. Maiolino¹, P. Cox², P. Caselli¹, A. Beelen³, F. Bertoldi⁴, C. L. Carilli⁵, M. J. Kaufman⁶,
K. M. Menten³, T. Nagao^{1,7}, A. Omont⁸, A. Weiß^{9,3}, C. M. Walmsley¹, and F. Walter¹⁰

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12.4 hours with IRAM/30m telescope

What was the highest redshift [CII] detection before?



Second [CII] on a $z > 6$ quasar - 2012

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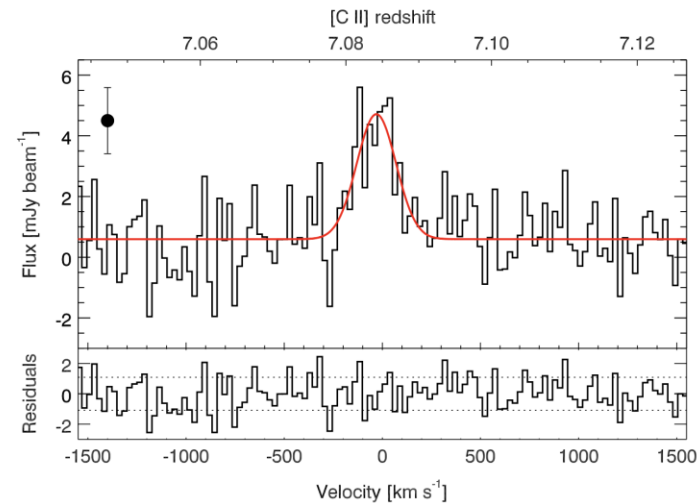
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DETECTION OF ATOMIC CARBON [C II] $158\,\mu\text{m}$ AND DUST EMISSION FROM A $z = 7.1$ QUASAR HOST GALAXY

B. P. VENEMANS^{1,2}, R. G. McMAHON^{3,4}, F. WALTER¹, R. DECARLI¹, P. COX⁵, R. NERI⁵, P. HEWETT³,
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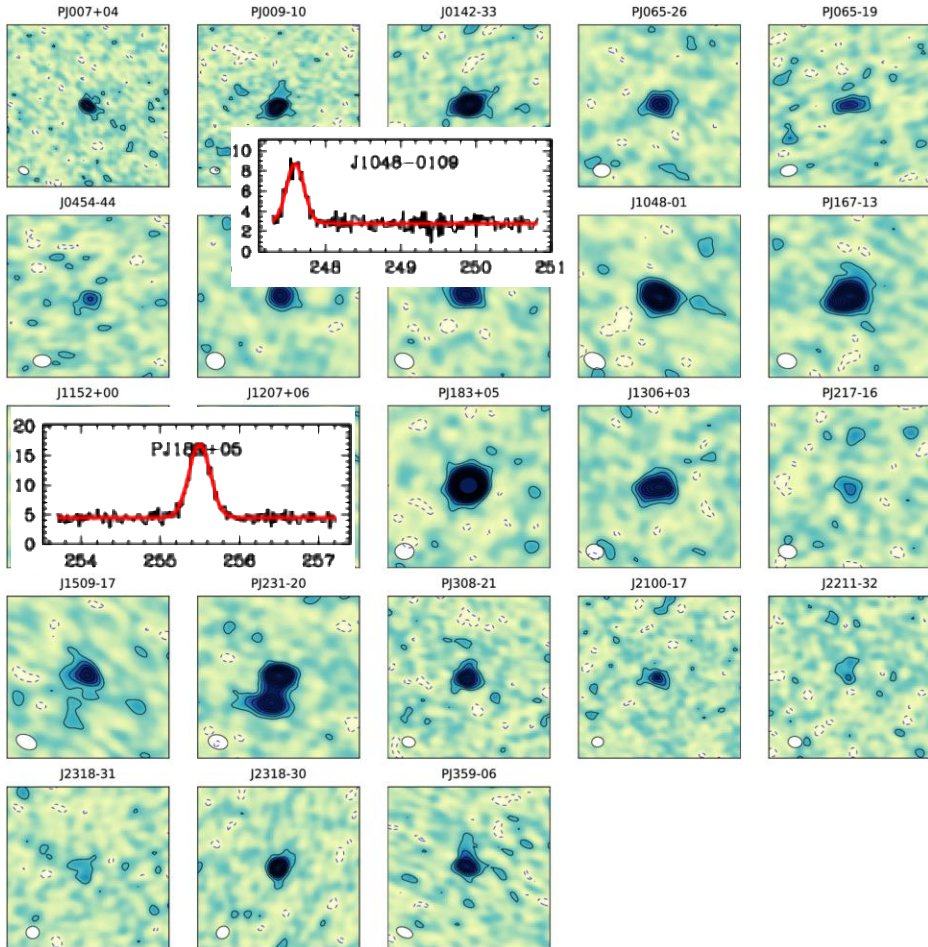
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6.3 hours with IRAM/PdBI

Quasar host galaxies



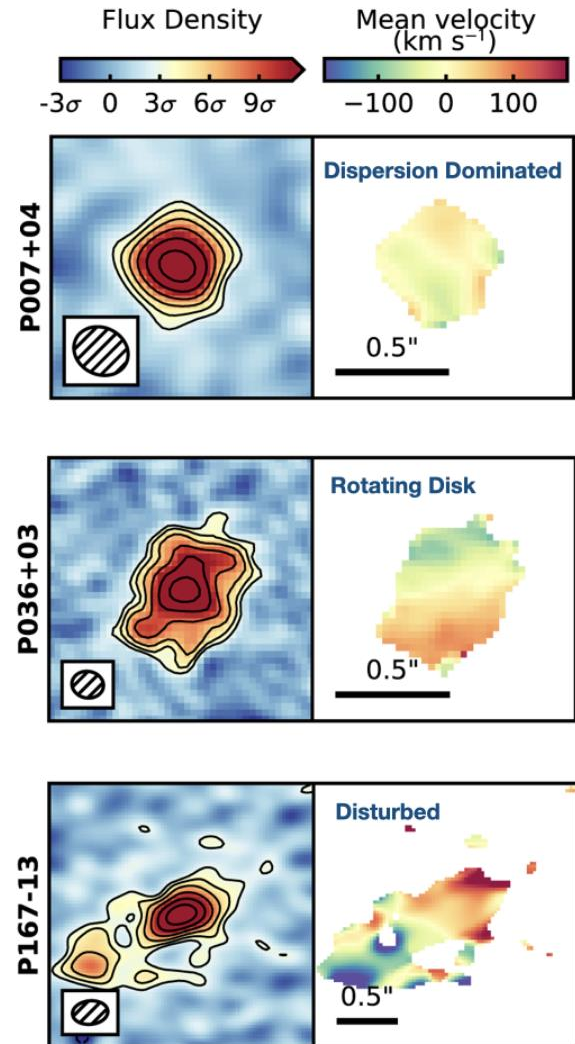
ALMA/NOEMA make it look „easy“

Before 2013: Only two [CII] detections at $z > 6$
(Maiolino+2005, Venemans+2012;
See review by Carilli & Walter 2013)

Now: More than 90 [CII] detections at $z > 6$

(see e.g., Andika+2019; Bañados 2015, 2019, 2024, Decarli+ 2018-2022, Eilers+2020, Venemas+2020, Yang+2021, Khusanova+2022, Izumi+ 2018-2021, Pensabene+ 2021)

Quasar host galaxies – a diverse population



Morphology

- 1/3 dispersion dominated
- 1/3 rotating disk
- 1/3 disturbed, merger/companion

General properties

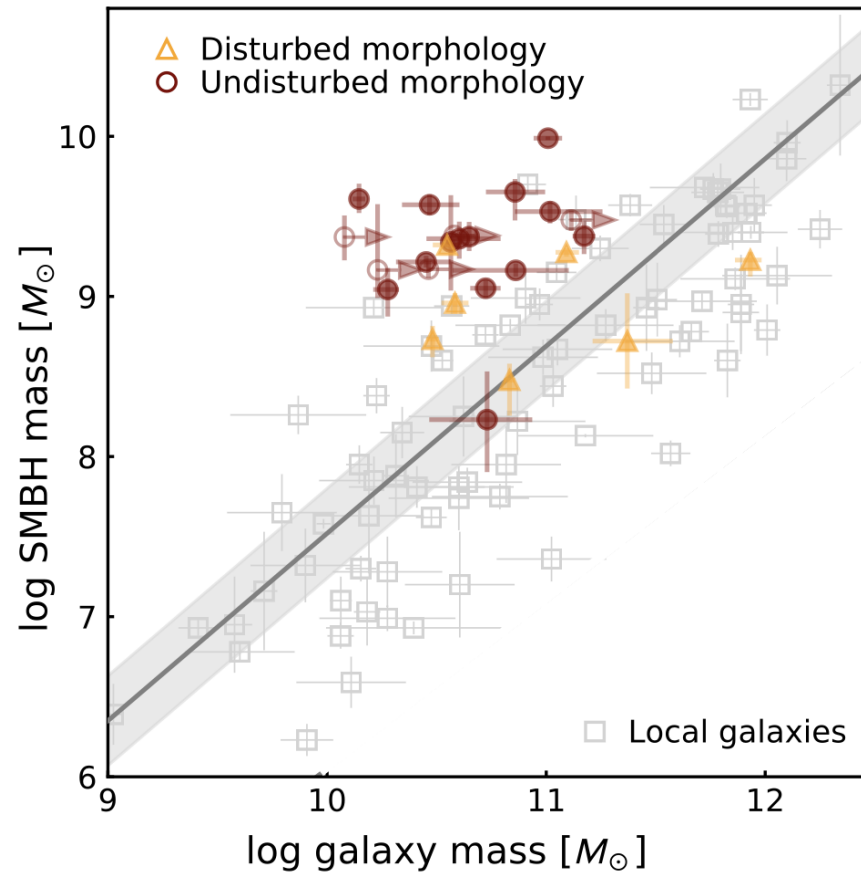
- [CII] Sizes: 1 – 5 kpc (average ~2kpc)
- SFRs = 50 – 1500 M_{SUN}yr⁻¹
- $M_{\text{DYN}} = 1 - 10 \times 10^{10} M_{\text{SUN}}$
- $M_{\text{GAS}} = 4 - 40 \times 10^9 M_{\text{SUN}}$
- $M_{\text{DUST}} = 0.5 - 5 \times 10^8 M_{\text{SUN}}$

Fig. 9

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Adapted from Neeleman+2021

Galaxy/Black Hole co-evolution



Current measurements
~10 times above local
M-sigma relation

Fig. 10

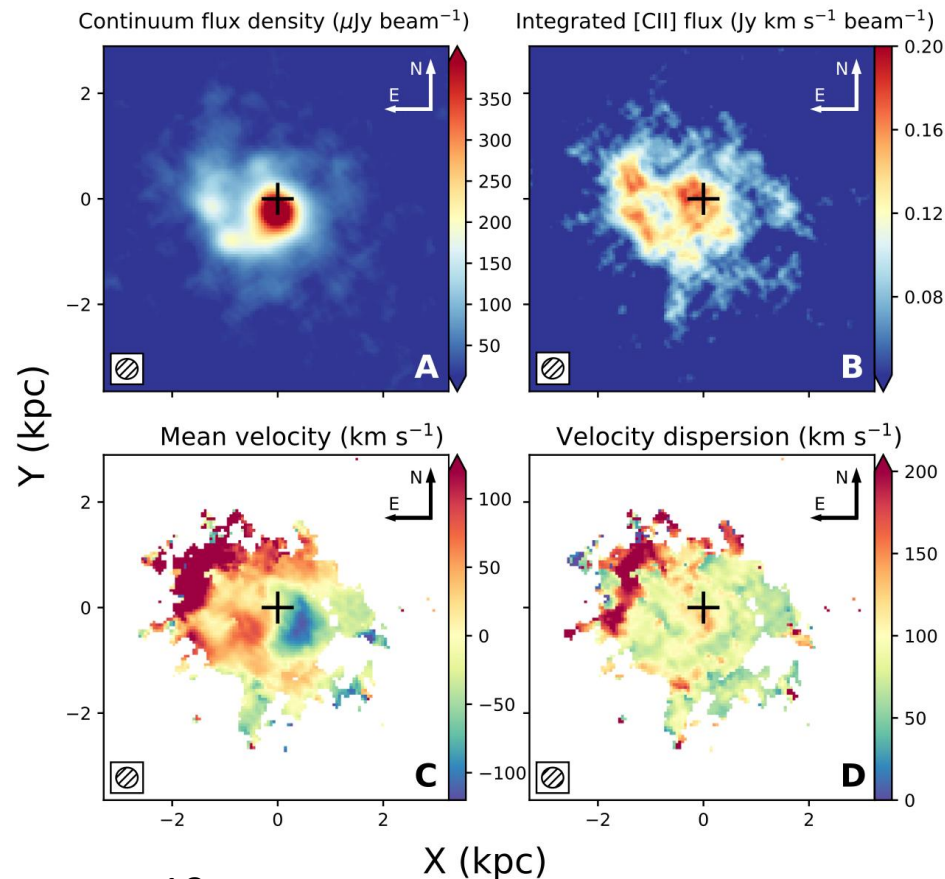
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Pushing ALMA resolution to the limits

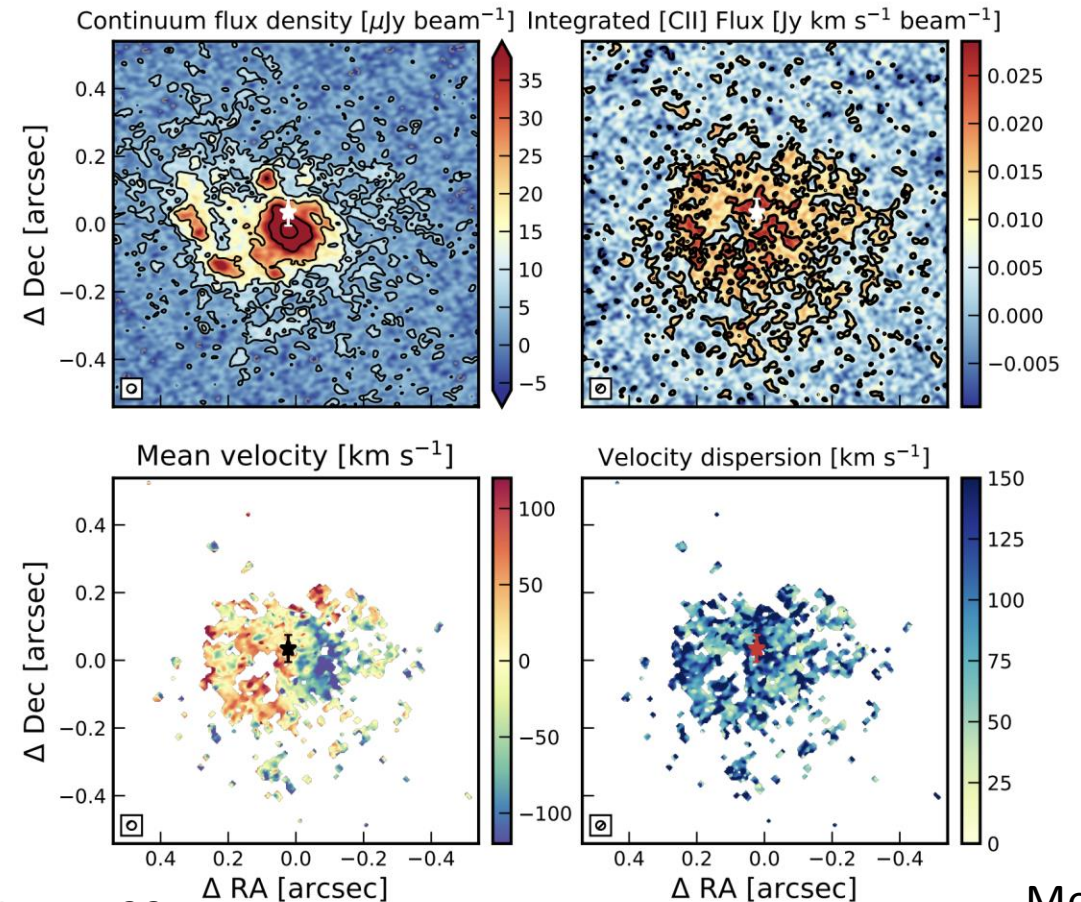
$z=6.6$ Quasar host

400 pc resolution



Venemans+19

140 pc resolution

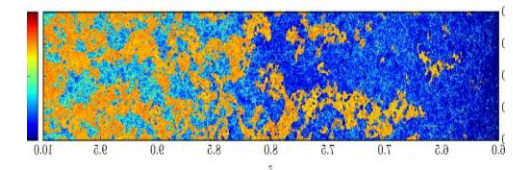
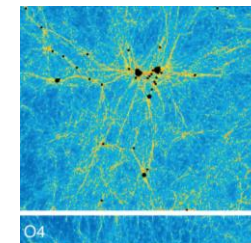
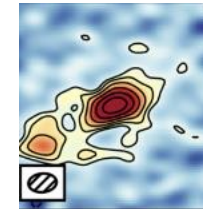
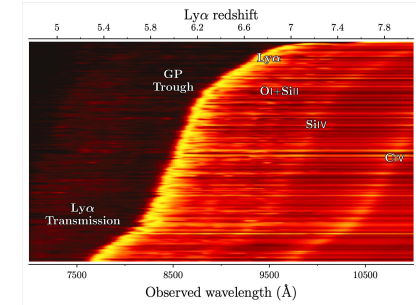
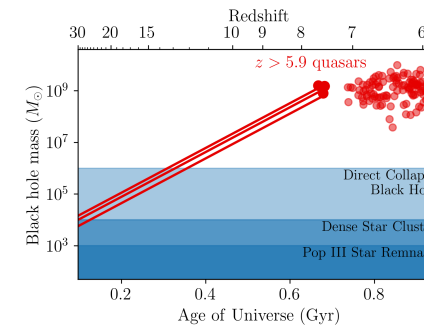


see also Walter+22, Meyer+23

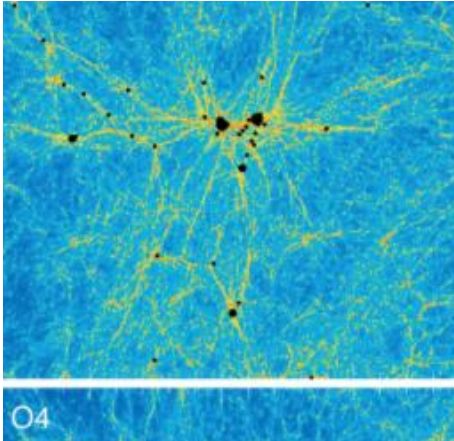
Meyer+25

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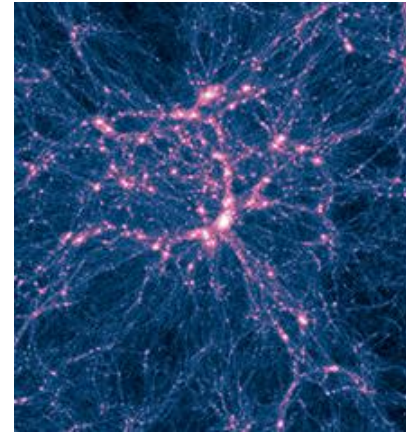


Overdensities around high-z quasars?



$z=6.2$

Costa+ 2014

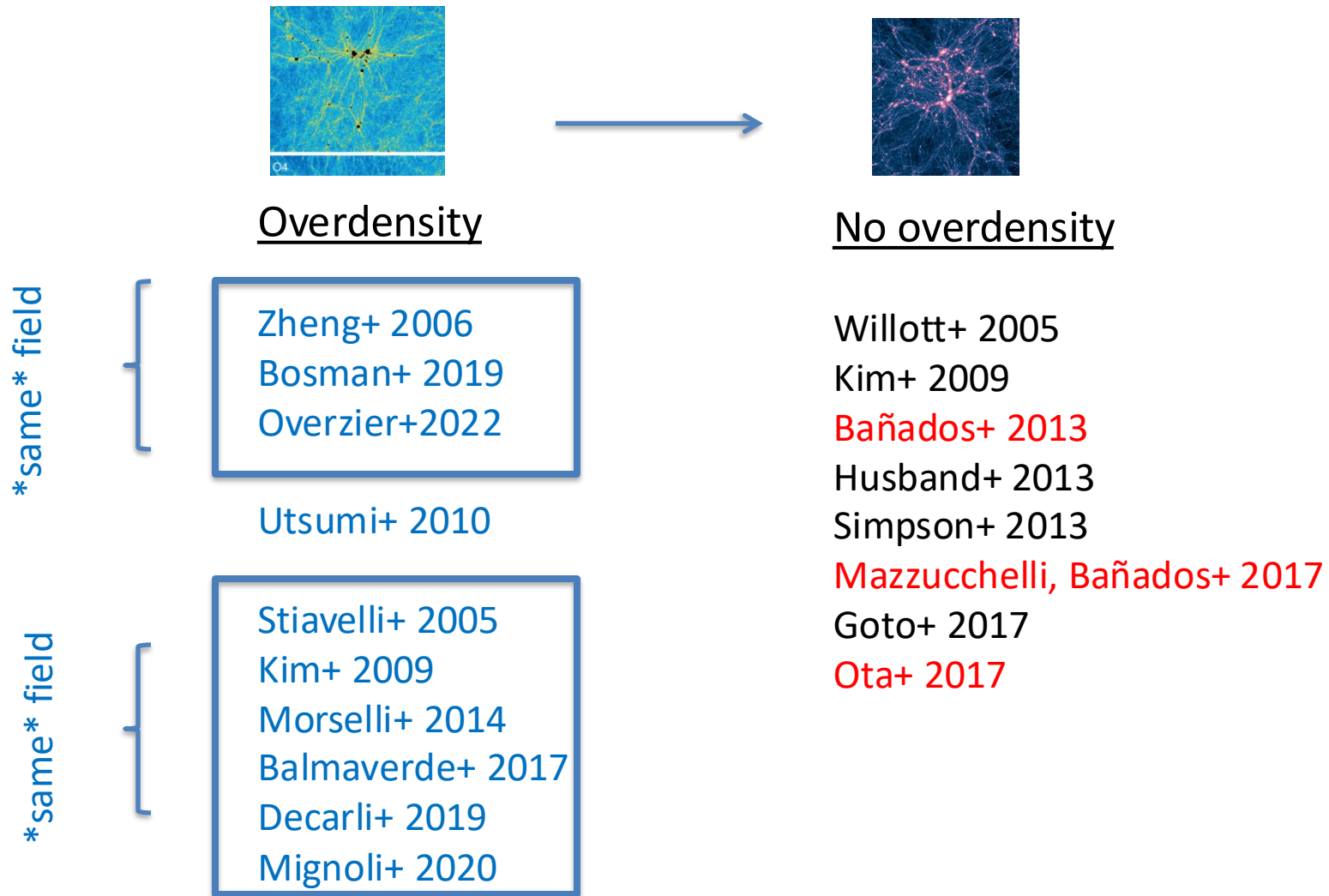


$z=0$

Illustris simulation

Observations (*before JWST*) are still inconclusive ...

Overdensities around high-z quasars?



Before JWST: Two confirmed Mpc overdensities

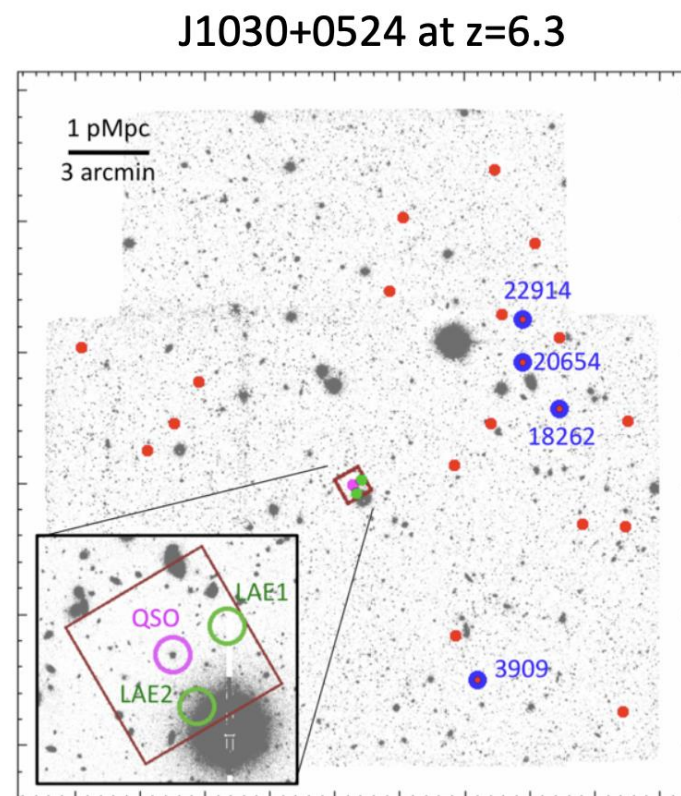
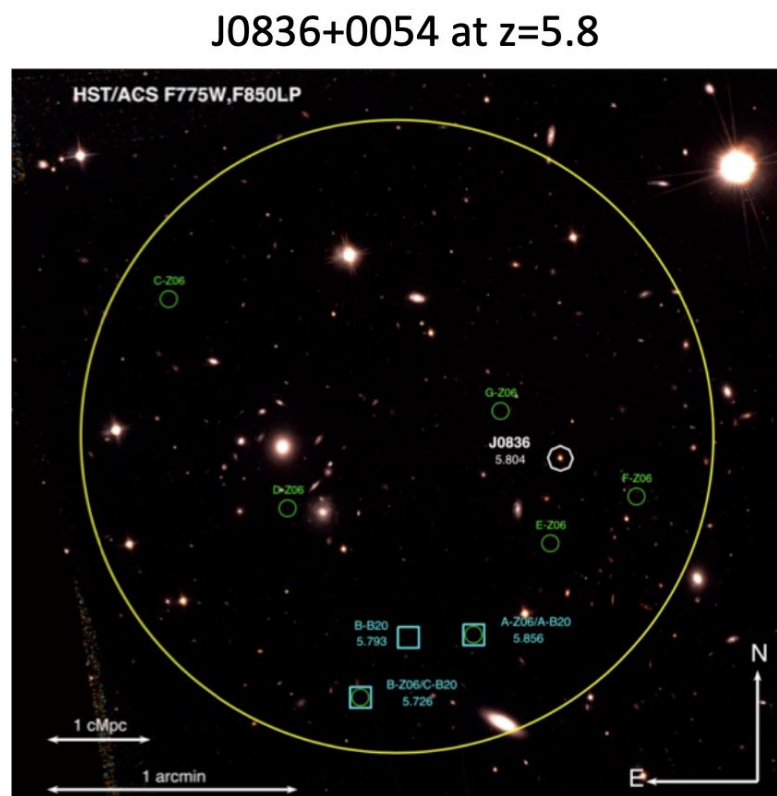
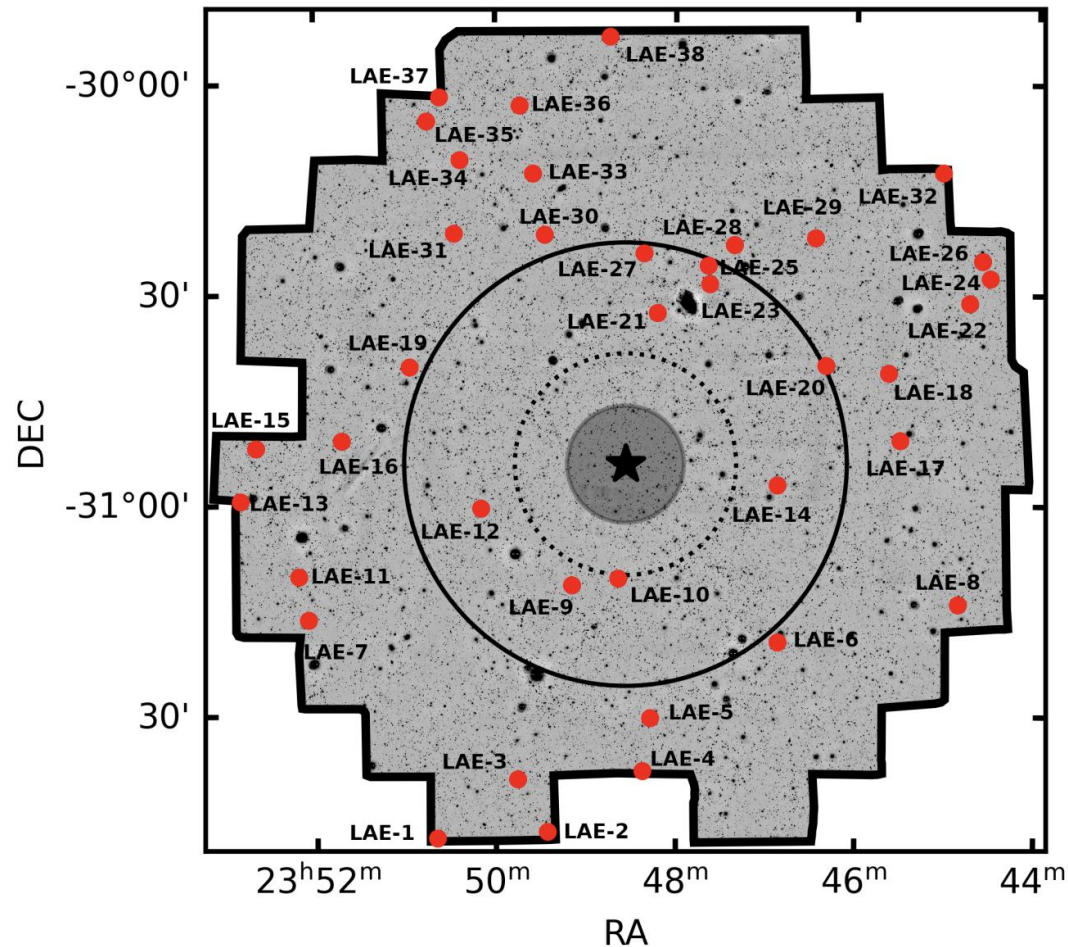


Fig. 11

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and Mignoli+2020

A recent interesting result



Search for LAE over 3 deg^2
centred on a $z=6.9$ quasar

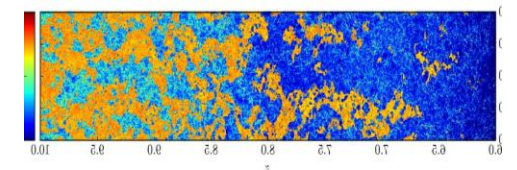
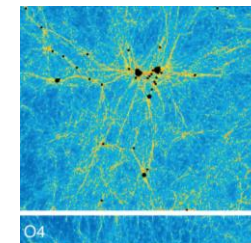
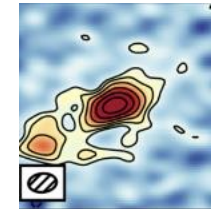
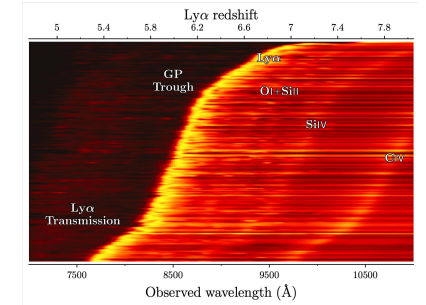
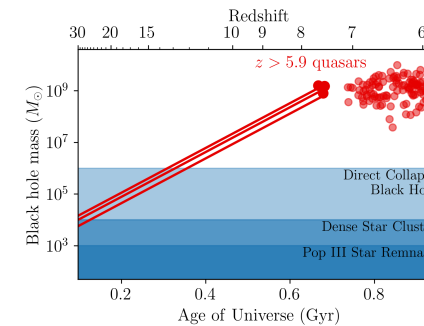
< 5 Mpc – Nothing
>10 Mpc – Overdensity!

Argue previous experiments had
FOV too small

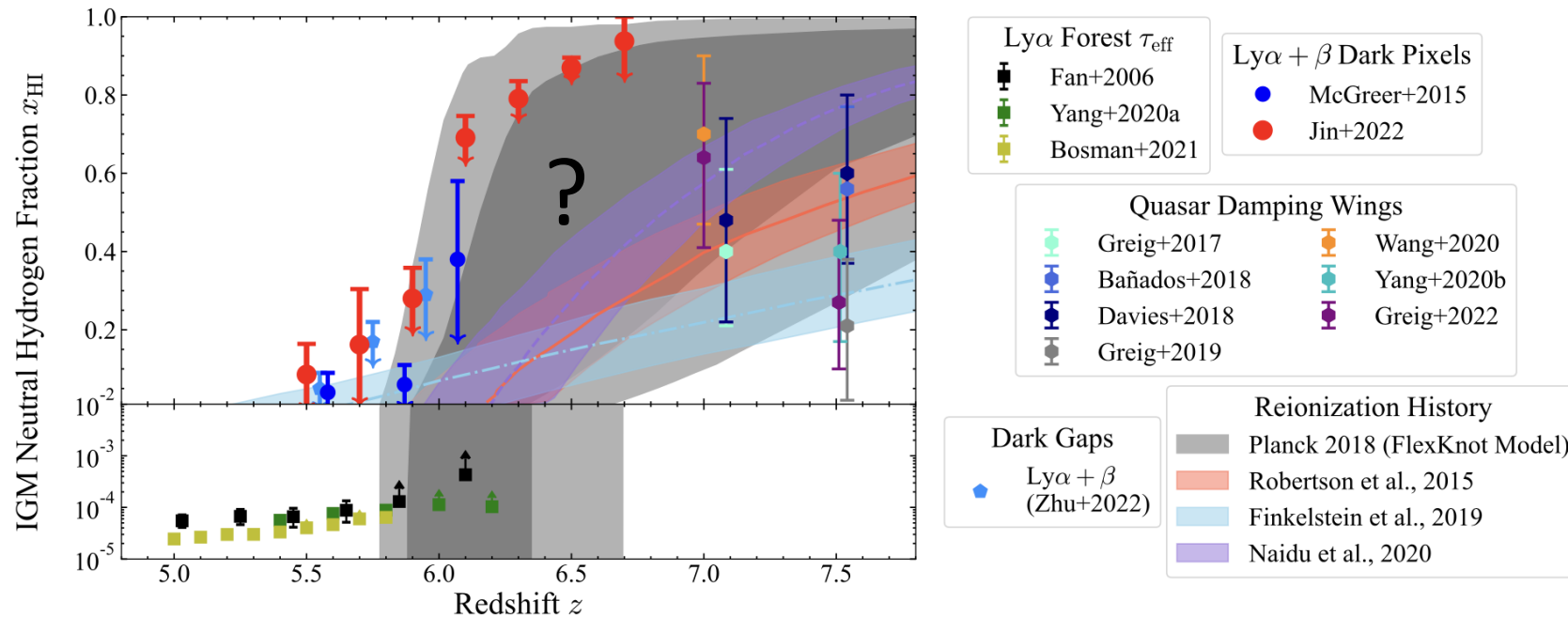
Lambert+24 (incl EB)

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Mapping reionization with quasars



- Ends at $z \sim 5.3$
- Rapid transition at $z > 6$
- Largely neutral at $z \sim 7.5$

Fig. 16

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Adapted from Jin+2022

Quasar damping wings ...

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REIONIZATION OF THE INTERGALACTIC MEDIUM AND THE DAMPING WING OF THE GUNN-PETERSON TROUGH

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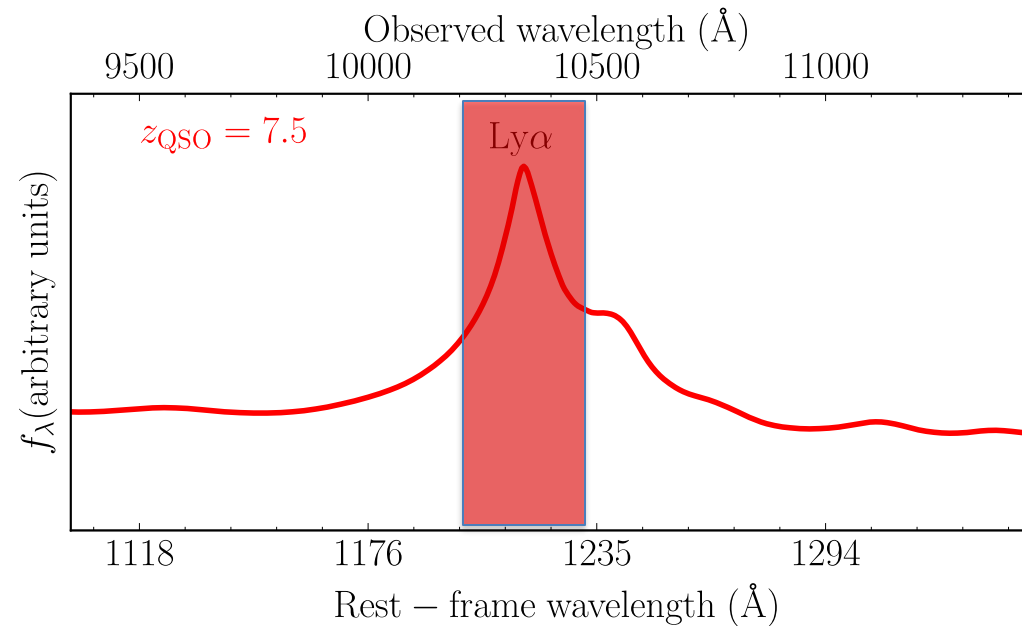
ABSTRACT

Observations of high-redshift quasars show that the intergalactic medium (IGM) must have been reionized at some redshift $z > 5$. If a source of radiation could be observed at the rest-frame Ly α wavelength, at a sufficiently high redshift where some of the IGM in the line of sight was not yet reionized, the Gunn-Peterson trough should be present. Longward of the Ly α wavelength, a damping wing should be observed, caused by the neutral IGM whose absorption profile can be predicted. Measuring the shape of this damping wing would provide irrefutable evidence of the observation of the IGM before reionization and a determination of the density of the neutral IGM. This measurement might be hindered by the possible presence of a dense absorption system associated with the source.

Quasar damping wings ...

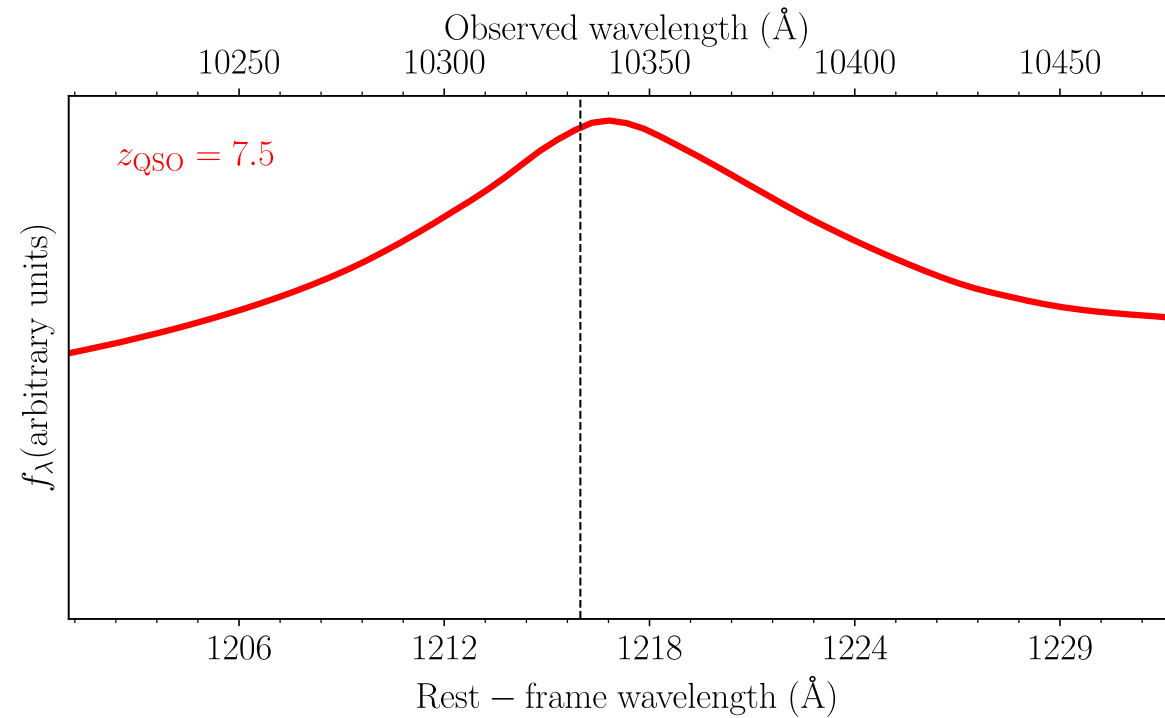
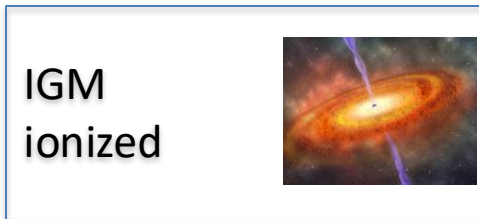
Sensitive to neutral IGM: $f_{HI} > 0.1$

Example with a QSO at $z=7.5$



Quasar damping wings ...

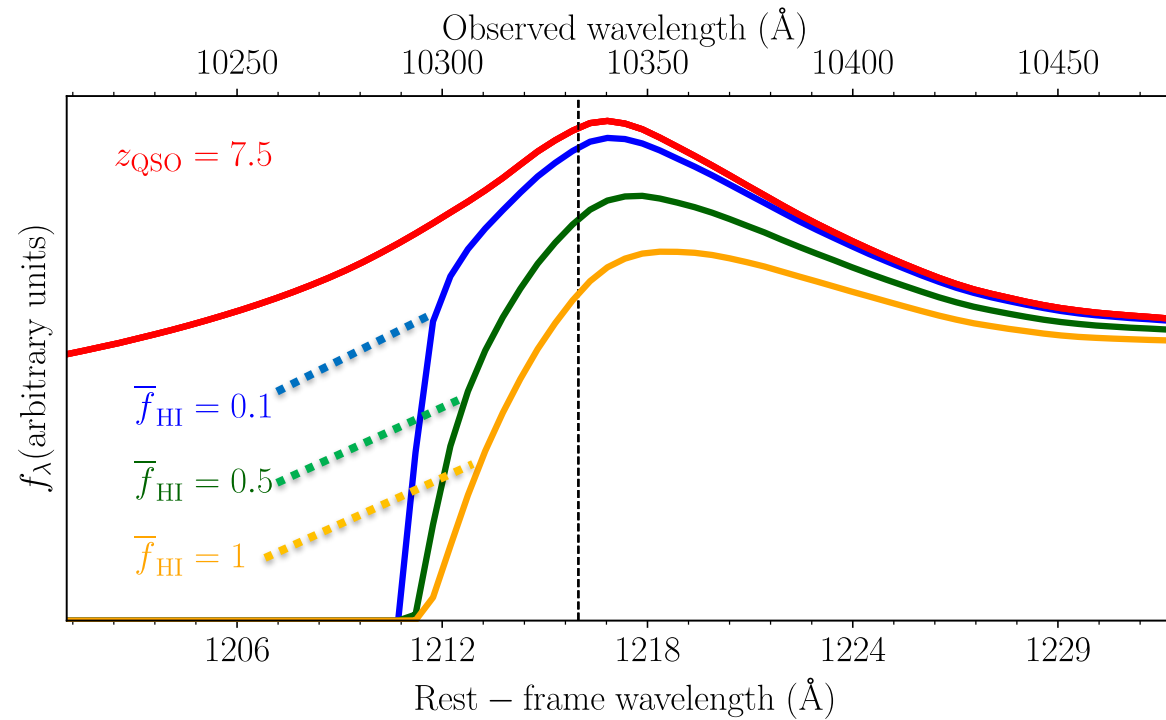
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Miralda-Escude 1998

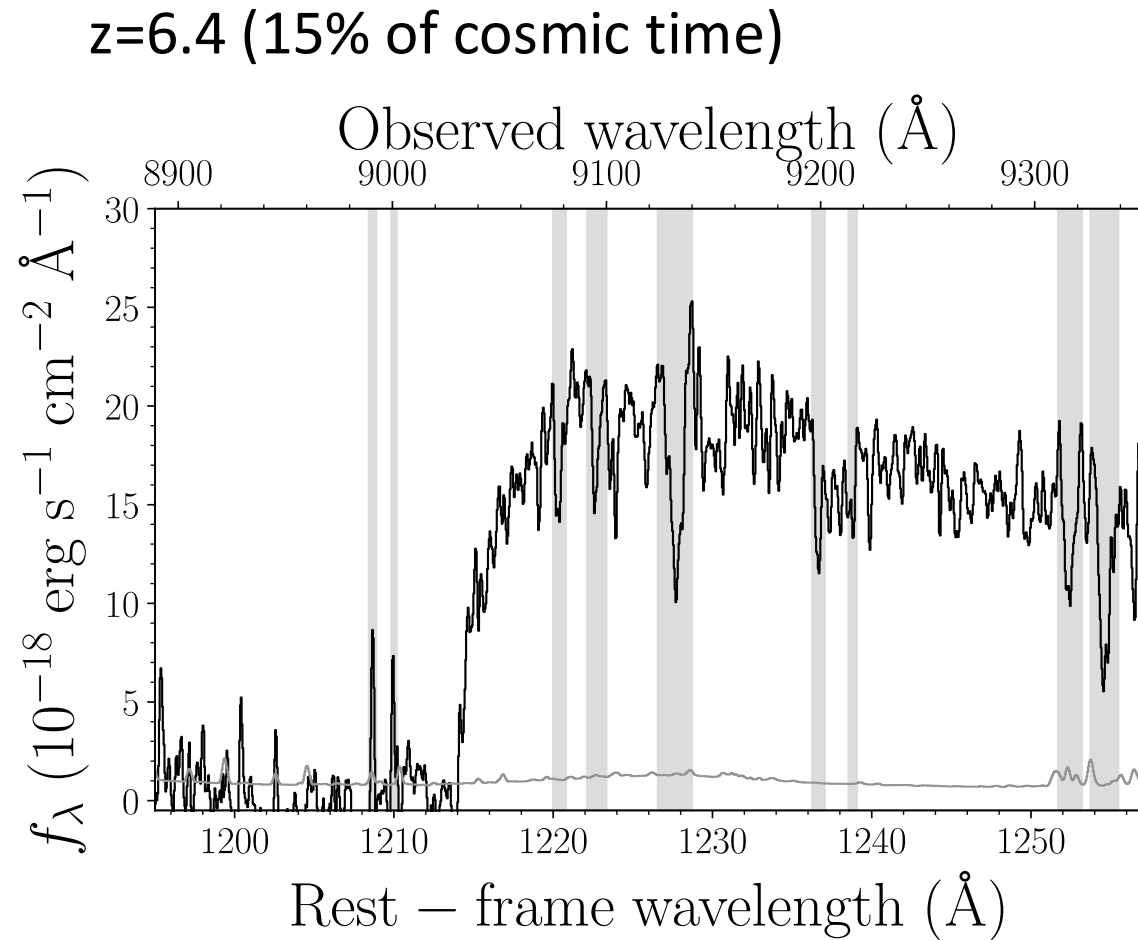
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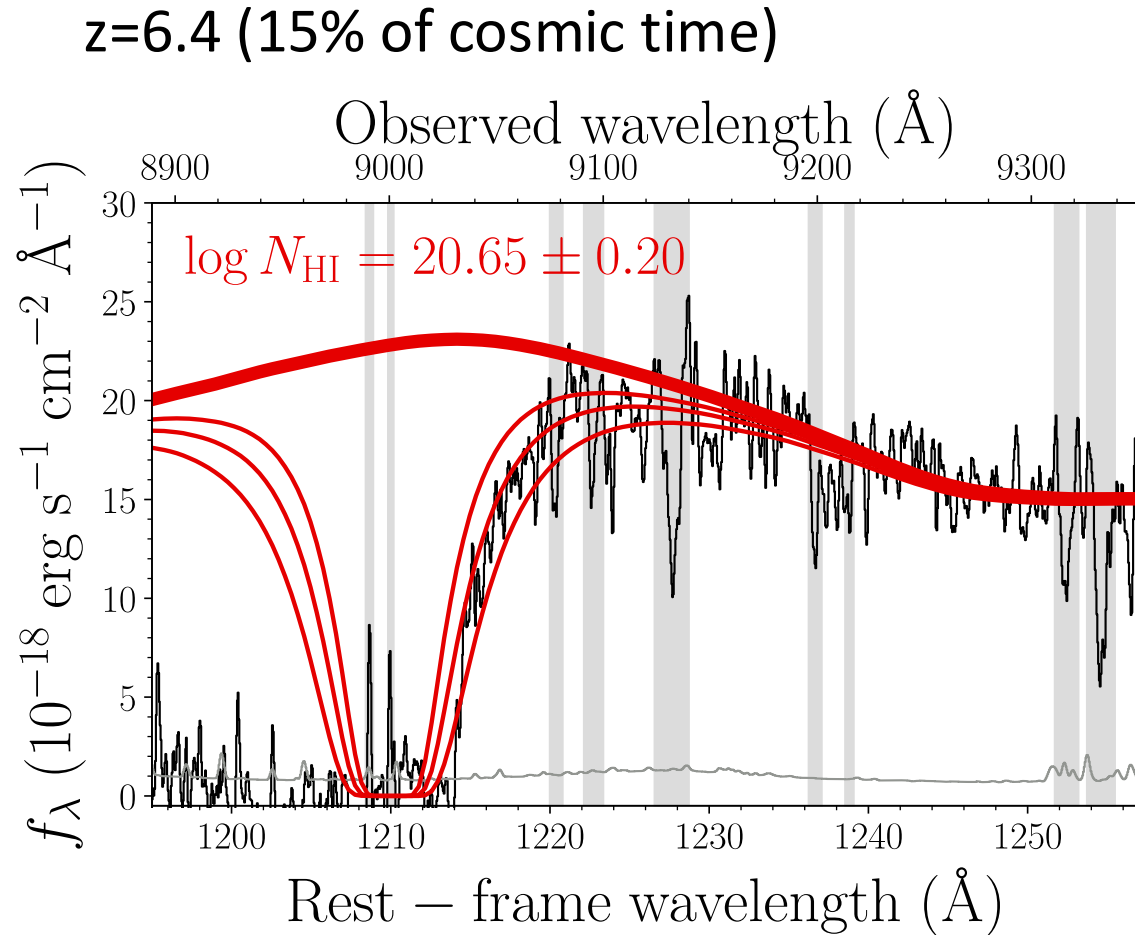
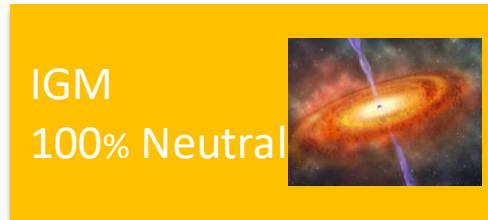
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Did I find an IGM damping wing at $z=6.4$??



Bañados+ 2019b

Proximate DLA at z=6.4

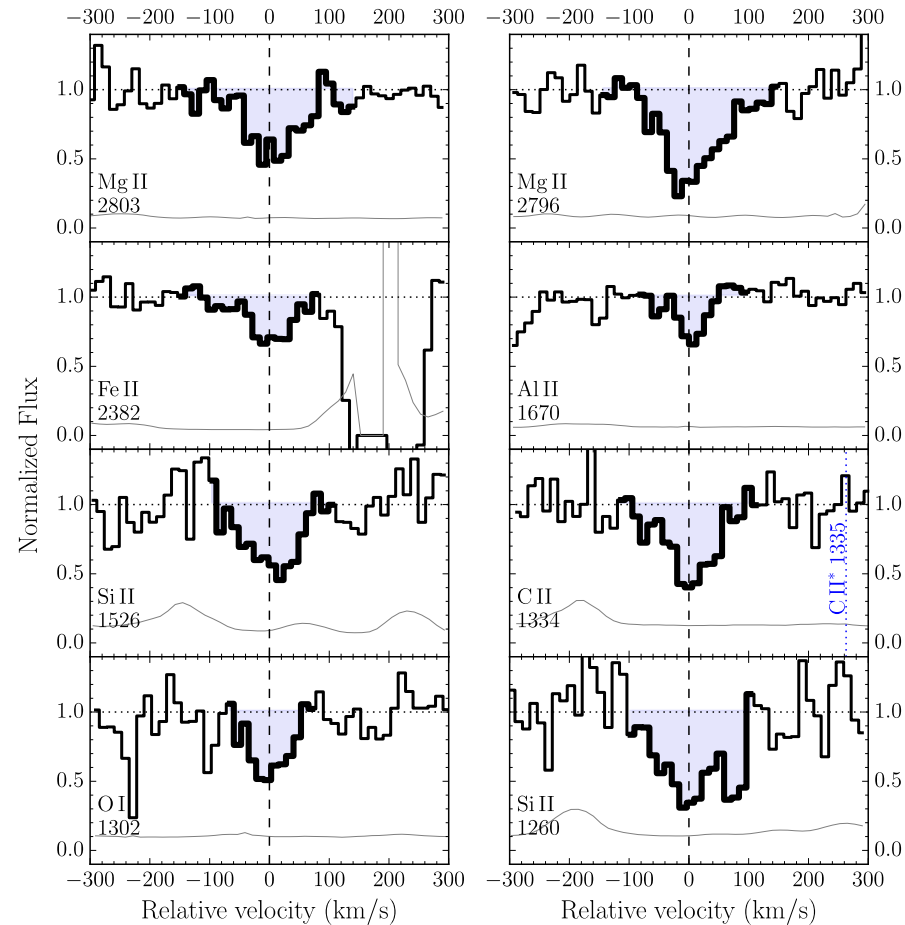


Bañados+ 2019b

*PDLAs are rare: <1% of quasars at $z=3$

Proximate DLA at $z=6.4$

No indications of Pop III yields yet (cosmic age: 850 Myr)



See also
D'Odorico+18 for a similar result on
a $z=6.0$ quasar
Sodini+24 for “a sample”

IGM damping wings at $z > 7$



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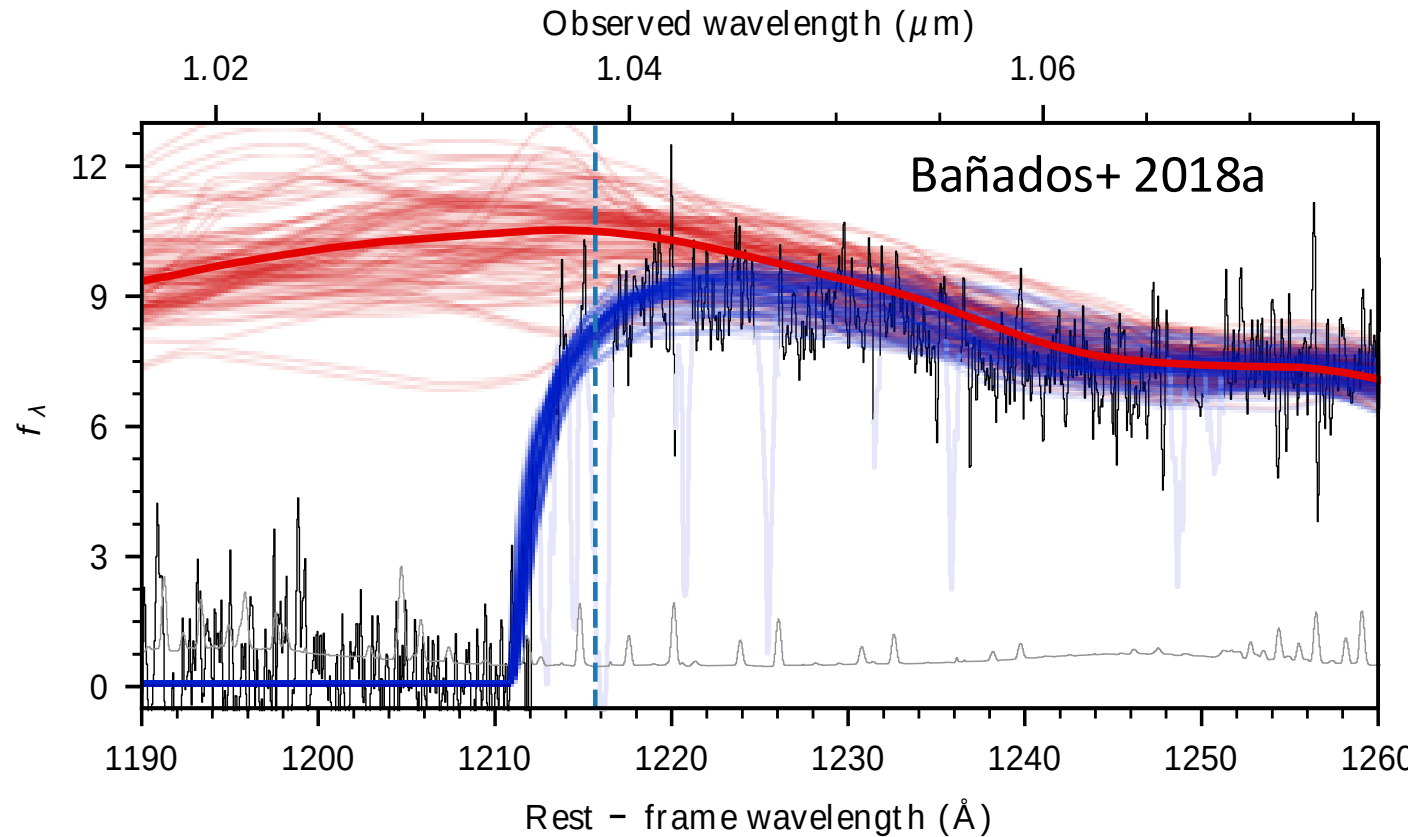


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This is the combined spectrum from both nights, and probably our final FIRE spectrum for the paper. It shows a clear damping wing and I can't identify metals at a similar redshift.

IGM damping wings at $z > 7$



IGM
50% Neutral



See also

Greig, Mesinger & Bañados 2019

Davies, Hennawi, Bañados+ 2019

Đurovčíková+2020, Reiman+2020

We need more quasars at $z > 7$

All $z > 7$ quasars show IGM damping wing signatures*

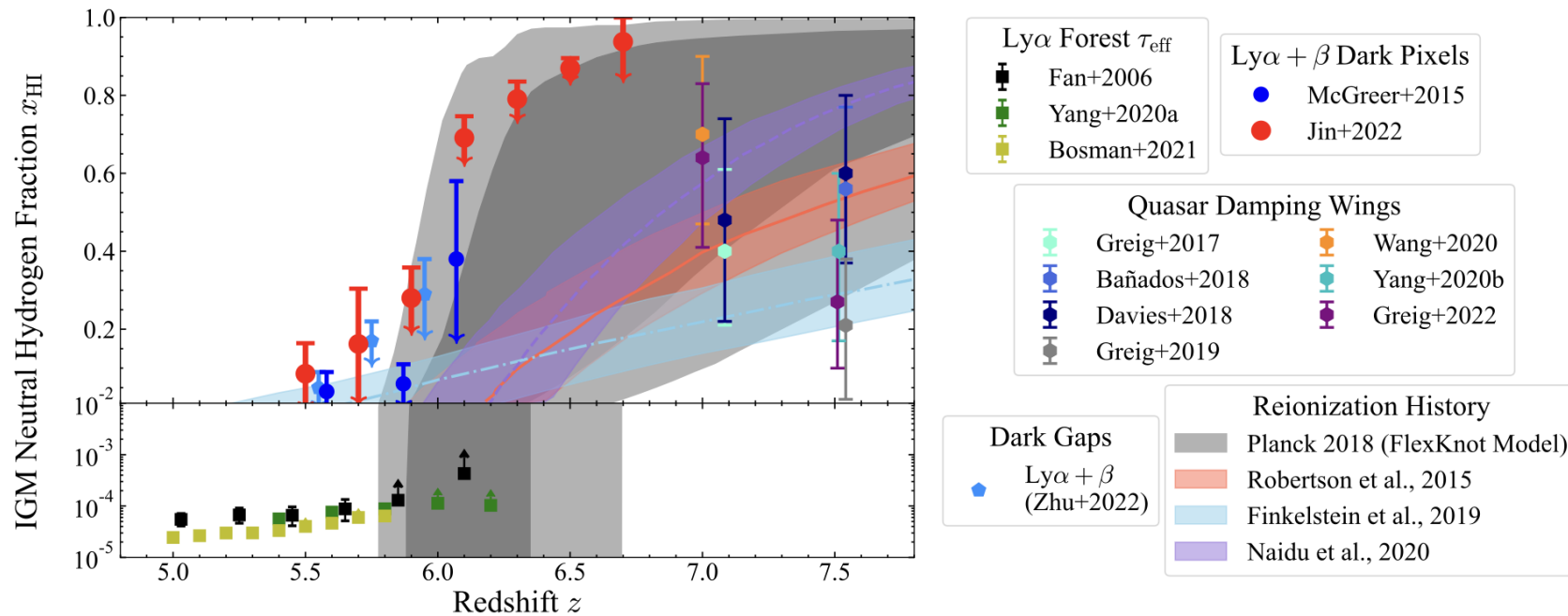


Fig. 16

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Adapted from Jin+2022

*All that have a good S/N spectrum and are not Broad Absorption line quasars

Future is bright

- Discovery and demographics
- SMBH $\rightarrow$ $\sim$ pc scales
- Galaxy / Close envs. $\rightarrow$ $\sim$ kpc scales
- Environments /IGM $\rightarrow$ $\sim$ Mpc scales

