

Constraining the Cosmological Evolution of Disks

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Cosmological Evolution / High Redshift

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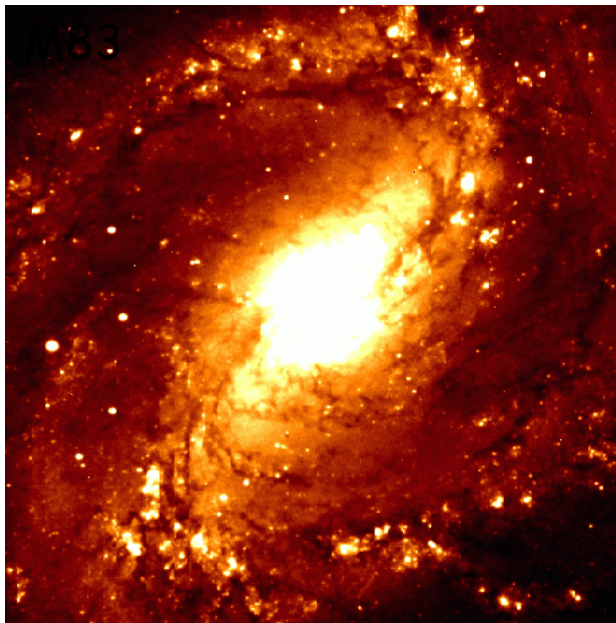
Local Universe / Secular Evolution

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Magellanics / Late Types

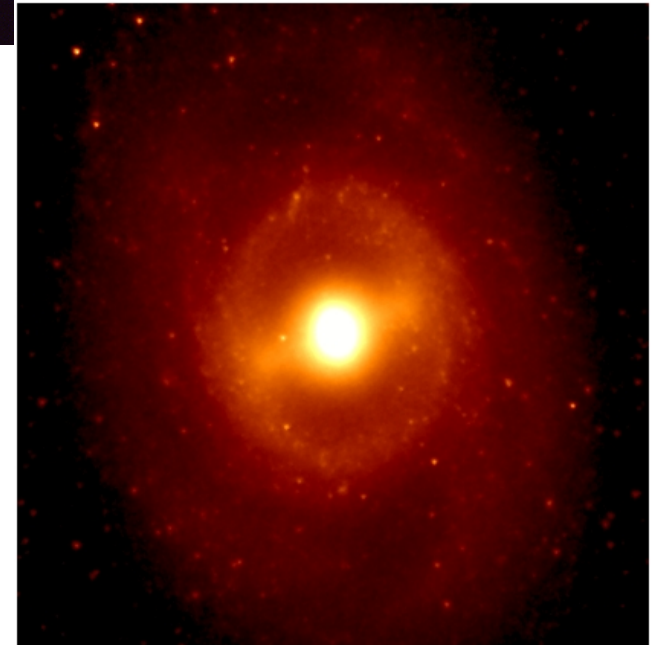
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You wanna' go where everybody knows your name...



- **27.6% SAB**
 - **36.8% SBs**
- (RC3, De Vaucouleurs '63)

- Tri-axial non-axisymmetric stellar structures
- Dust lanes -> pipelines for gas inflow
(Sheth et al. '00, 02, '05; Regan et al. '95, 99)
- Rings + lenses common in barred spirals
(Buta & Combes '96, S⁴G --> Comeron et al. 2013)
- Distinct differences in bar properties between early and late Hubble types (e.g., Elmegreen '96; S⁴G --> **Kim et al. 2013a,b**)

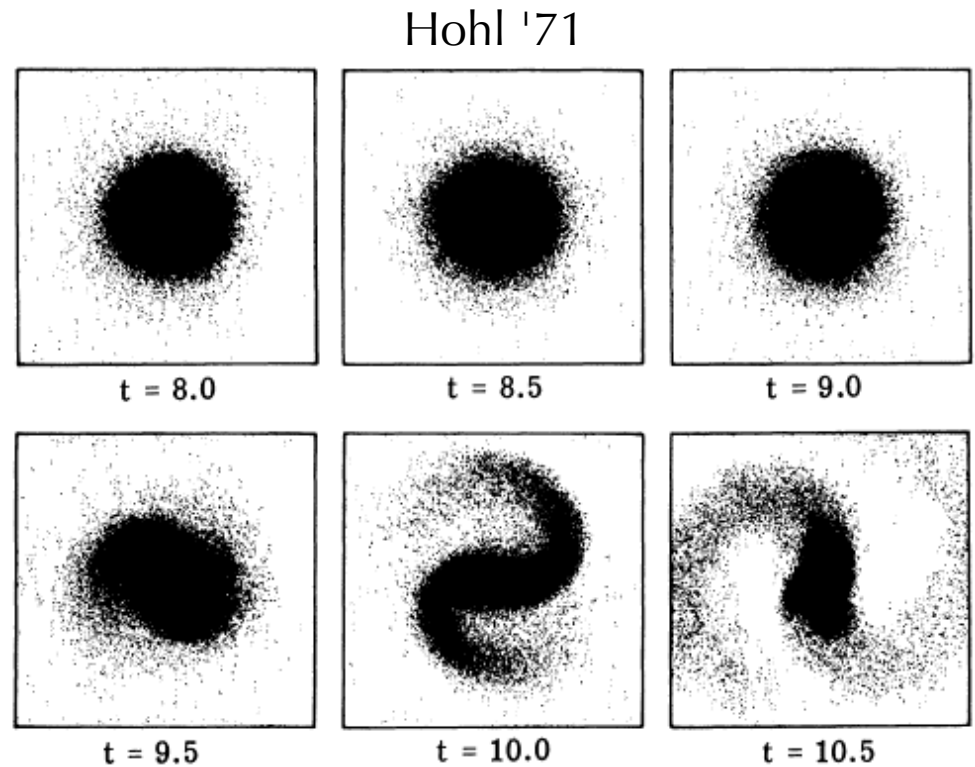


Bars: A Cosmological Signpost of Disk Maturity

A "troublesome" mode
(Kalnajs '72)

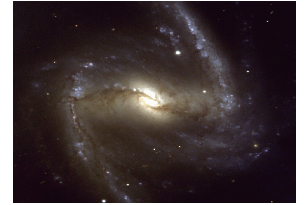
Bars always form (quickly) in
isolated, cold, massive,
rotationally-supported disks
(Ostriker & Peebles '73)

Even in disks originally dominated
by dark matter - bars form
(Athanasoula '02, '03; Athanasoula &
Sellwood '86)



- **Epoch of Bar Formation & Evolution of bar fraction -> dynamically cold, massive disks -> assembly of Hubble sequence**
 - *mergers / interactions

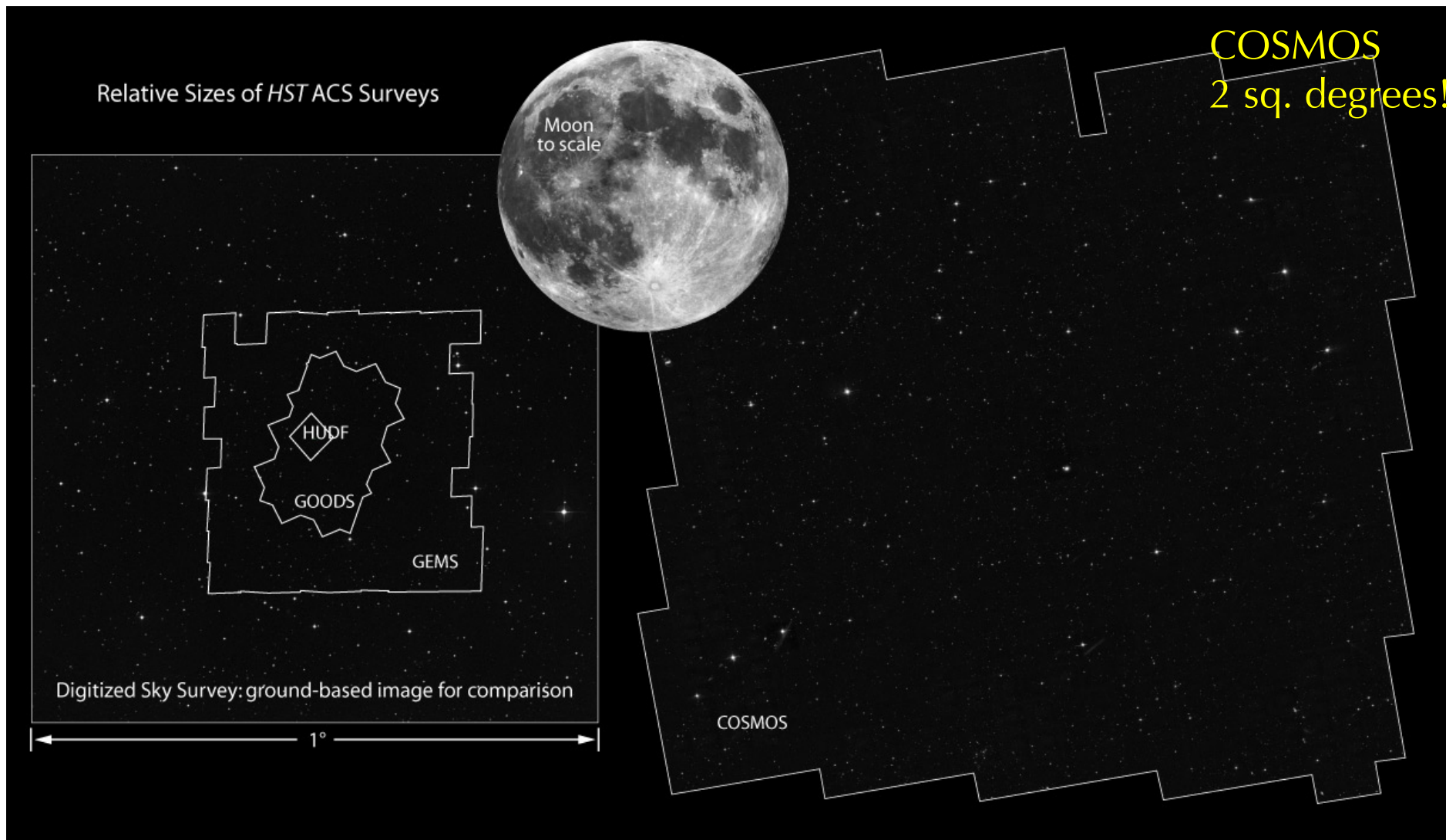
Using Bars to Infer Galaxy Disk Assembly



- **How does the bar fraction vary with redshift?**
- A decade of controversy before our COSMOS work:
 - Dramatic paucity of bars at $z > 0.5$ (van den Bergh '96; Abraham et al. '99)
 - Large bar fraction similar at high and low- z in NICMOS-HDF (Sheth et al '03)
 - Bar fraction constant to $z \sim 1$ but small samples, poor selection / completeness (Elmegreen et al '04; Jogee et al '04)
- **What is the relationship between bars and the host galaxy disk?**

Ongoing / possible future studies:

- How do bar properties (length, ellipticity) vary w/ z ?
- Bars & AGN activity, star formation
- Bars & environment
- 5% NICMOS / CANDLES parallels --> analysis to $z > 0.835$

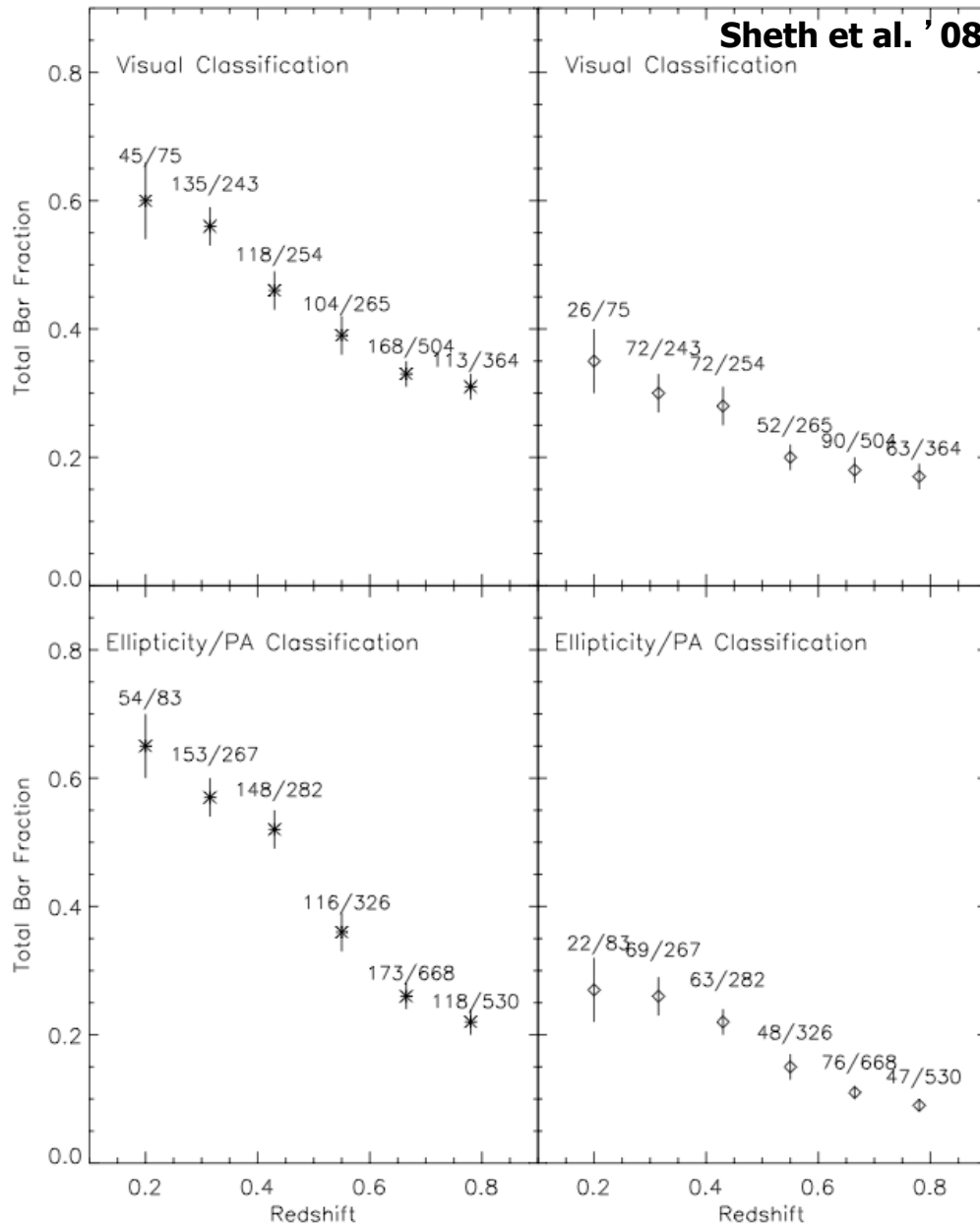


590 orbits ==> 2 square degrees

-- 9 x any previous HST image

2 million galaxies at $z \sim 0.2$ to 5 (SDSS at high z)

The Cosmological Evolution of Barred Spirals



A Steadily Declining Bar Fraction!

- L* and brighter disk galaxies
- z < 0.85
- Complete sample for D < 20 kpc
- Complete sample for M > 1--3x10¹⁰M_⊙
- i < 65
- 2,157 disks, 10x previous studies

$$F_{\text{bar}} = \text{Barred} / \text{Disk Galaxies}$$

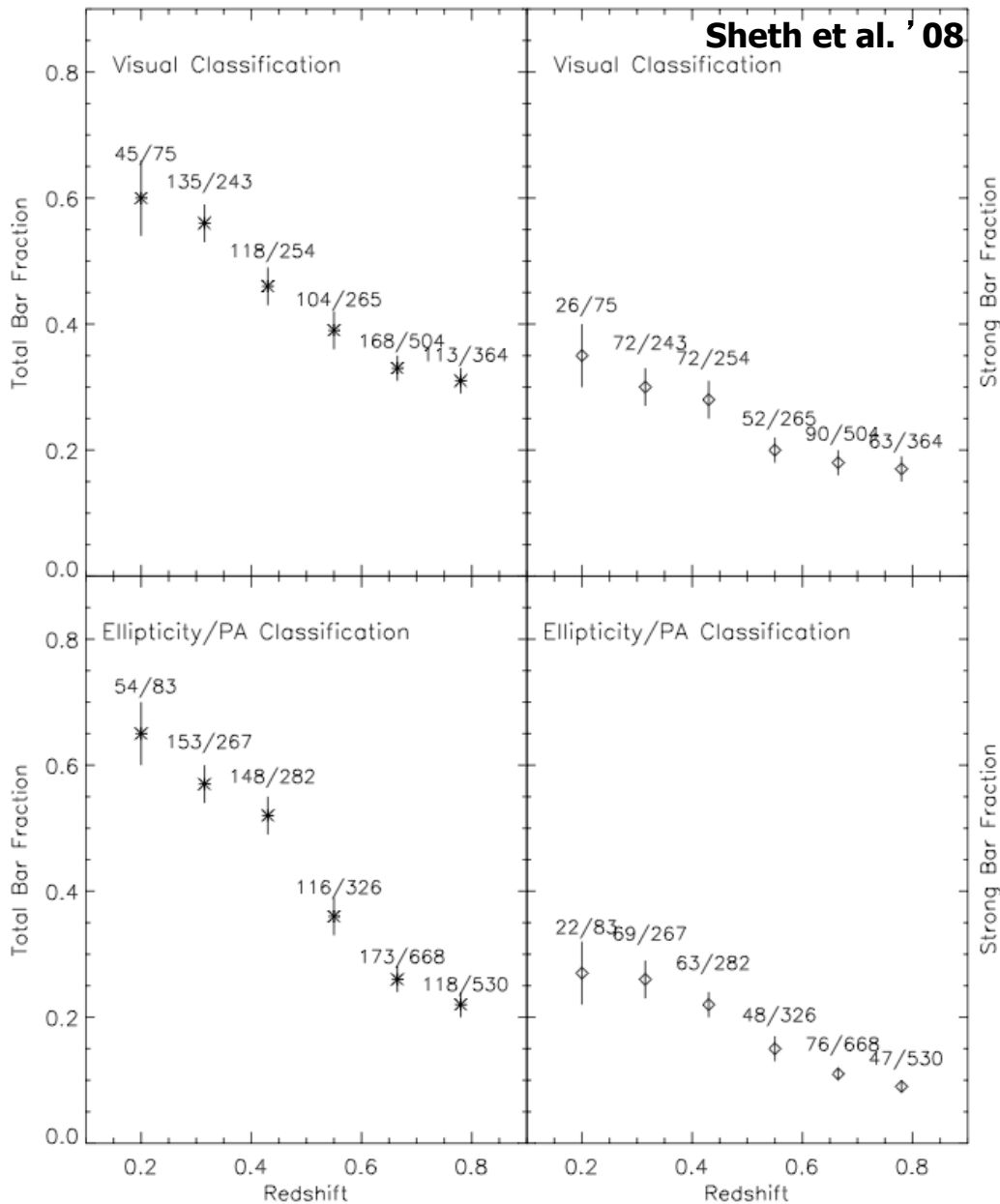
Disk galaxies --> Sa - Sd (color priors).

Contrary to previous results, we find:

- **Significant evolution**
- **$f_{\text{bar}} = 0.65 \rightarrow 0.22$**
- **$f_{\text{stbrs}} = 0.27 \rightarrow 0.09$**



The Cosmological Evolution of Barred Spirals



A Steadily Declining Bar Fraction!

• Careful analysis of completeness and selection effects:

- Number statistics / errors
- K-correction / band shifting
- Surface brightness dimming
- Resolution/PSF effects
- Peculiar / merging galaxies

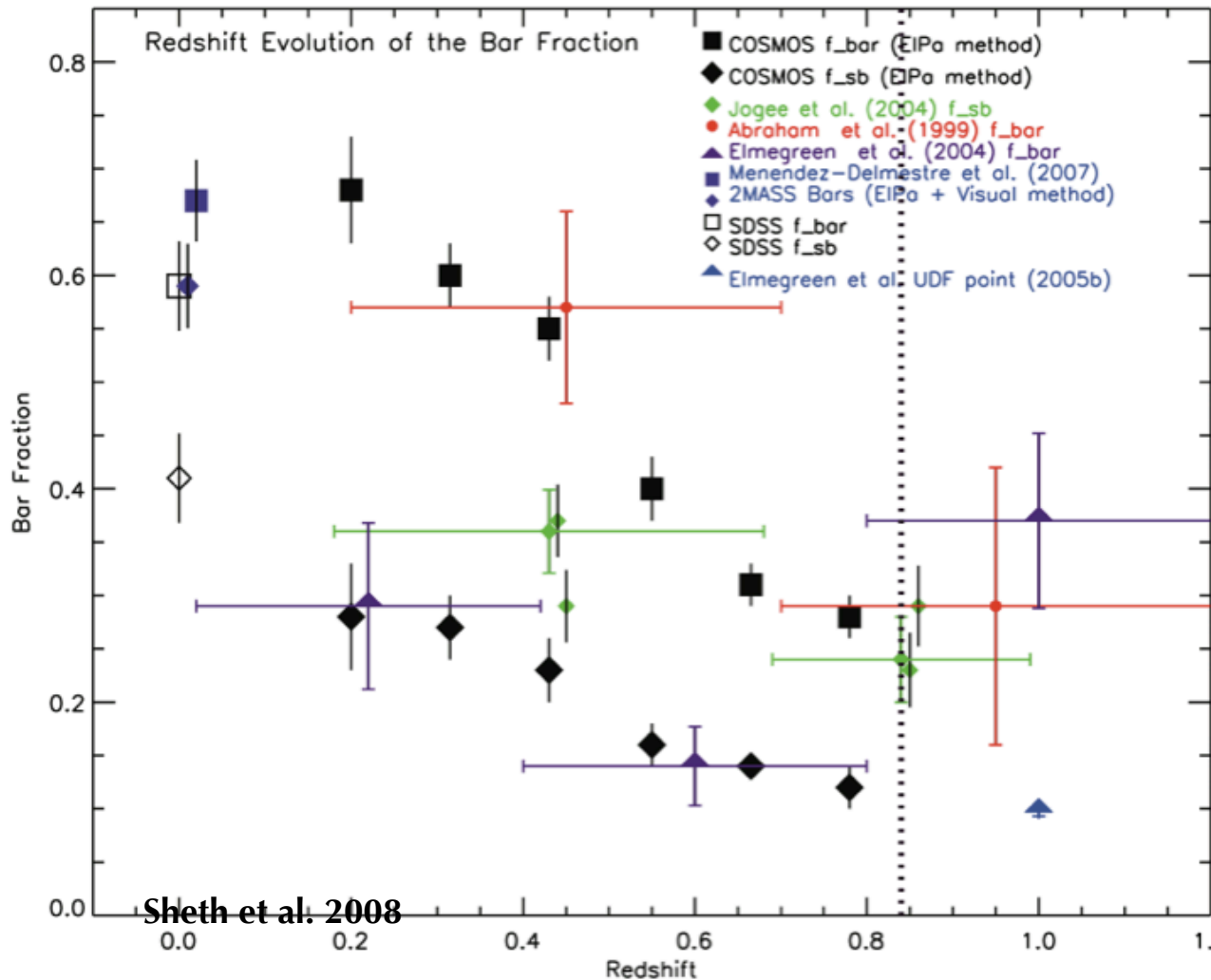
SIGNIFICANT DECLINE IN THE BAR FRACTION

- $f_{\text{bar}} = 0.65 \rightarrow 0.22$
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A Decade of Controversy Laid to Rest

SHETH ET AL.



★ Consistent with previous HDF & NICMOS studies (Abraham '99, Sheth '03)

★ ALL data from past studies in line with the detailed 1 Gyr bin evolution with COSMOS from our work!

★ Multiple follow-on studies confirm results:

○ Cameron et al. 2010

○ Masters et al. 2011

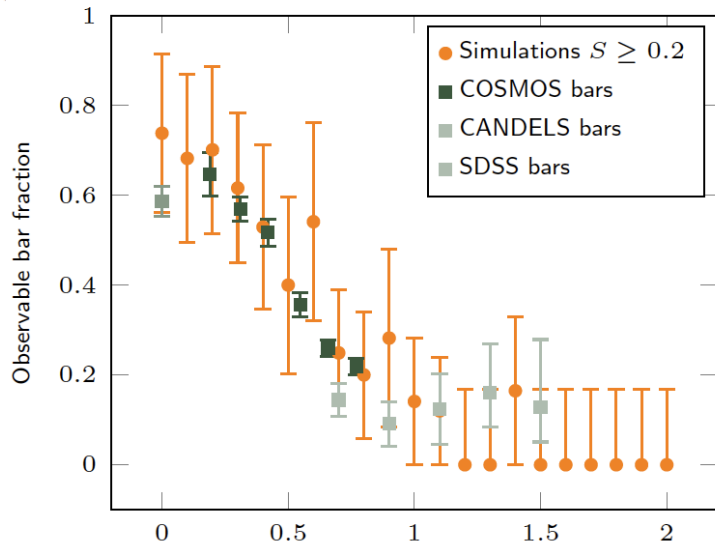
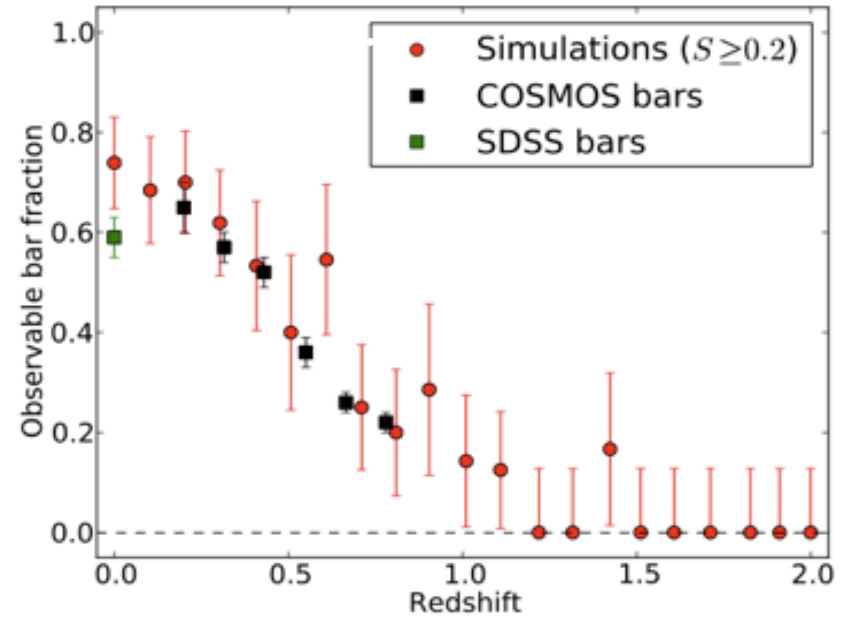
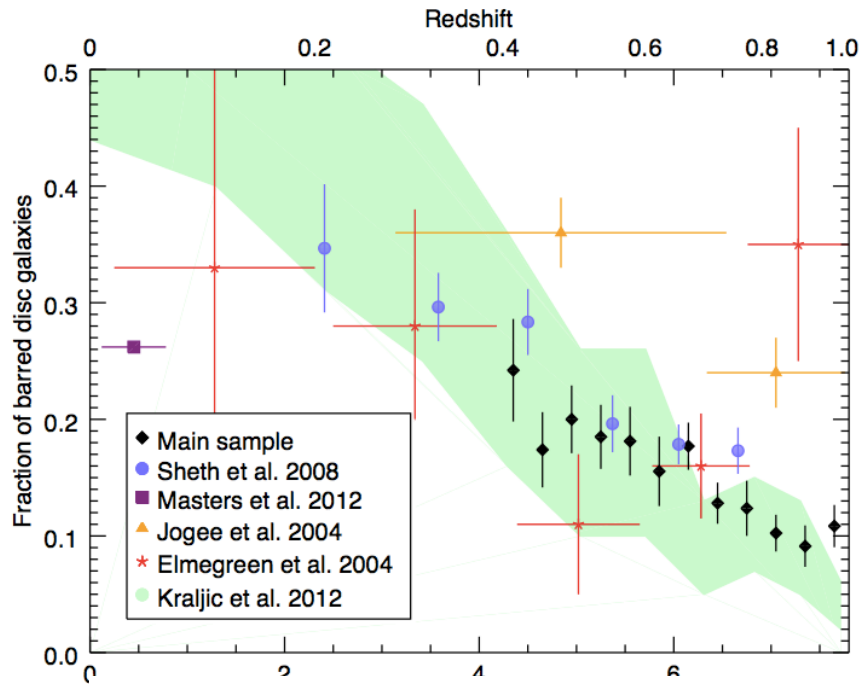
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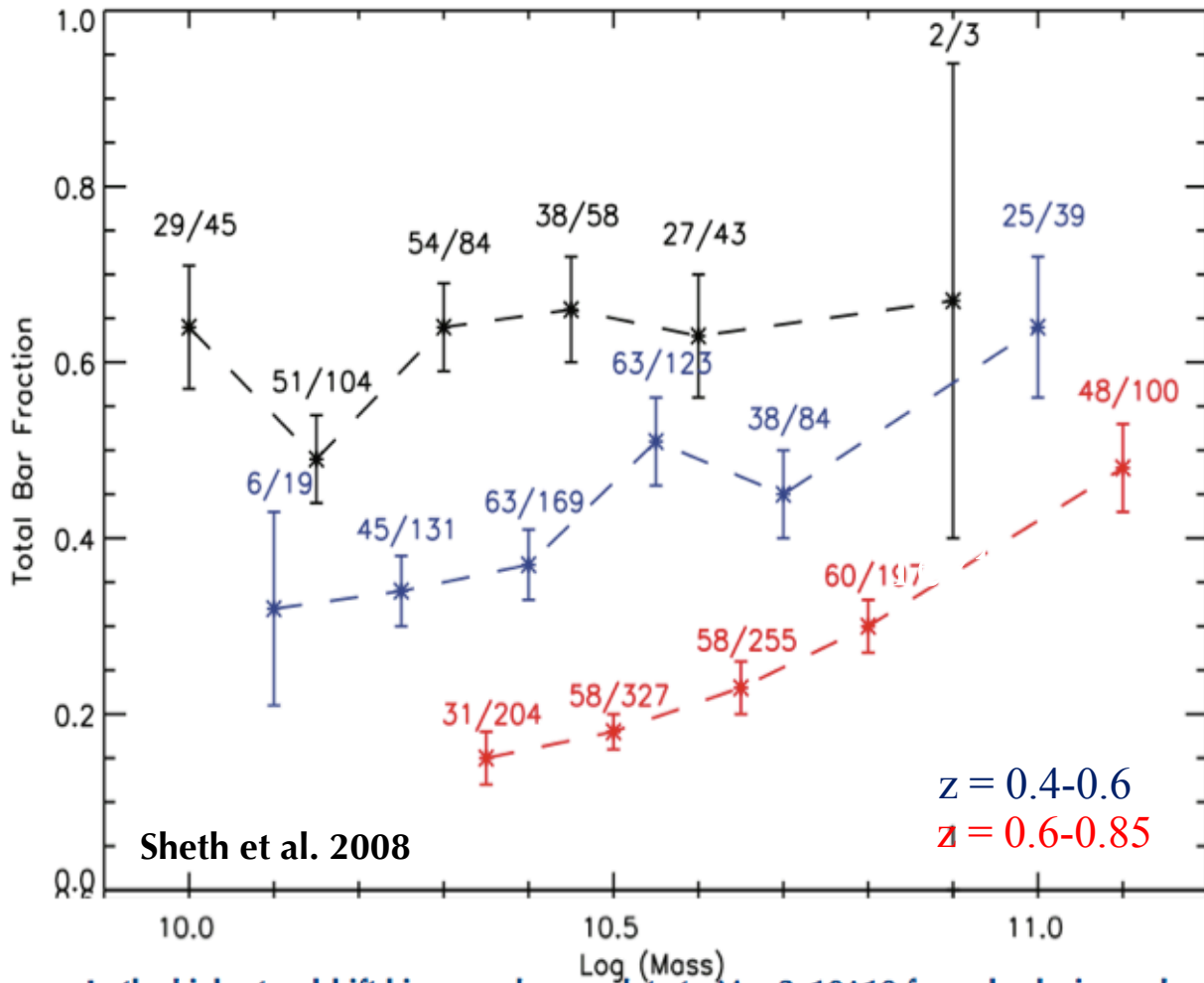
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Evolutionary Trends: Clues towards Downsizing

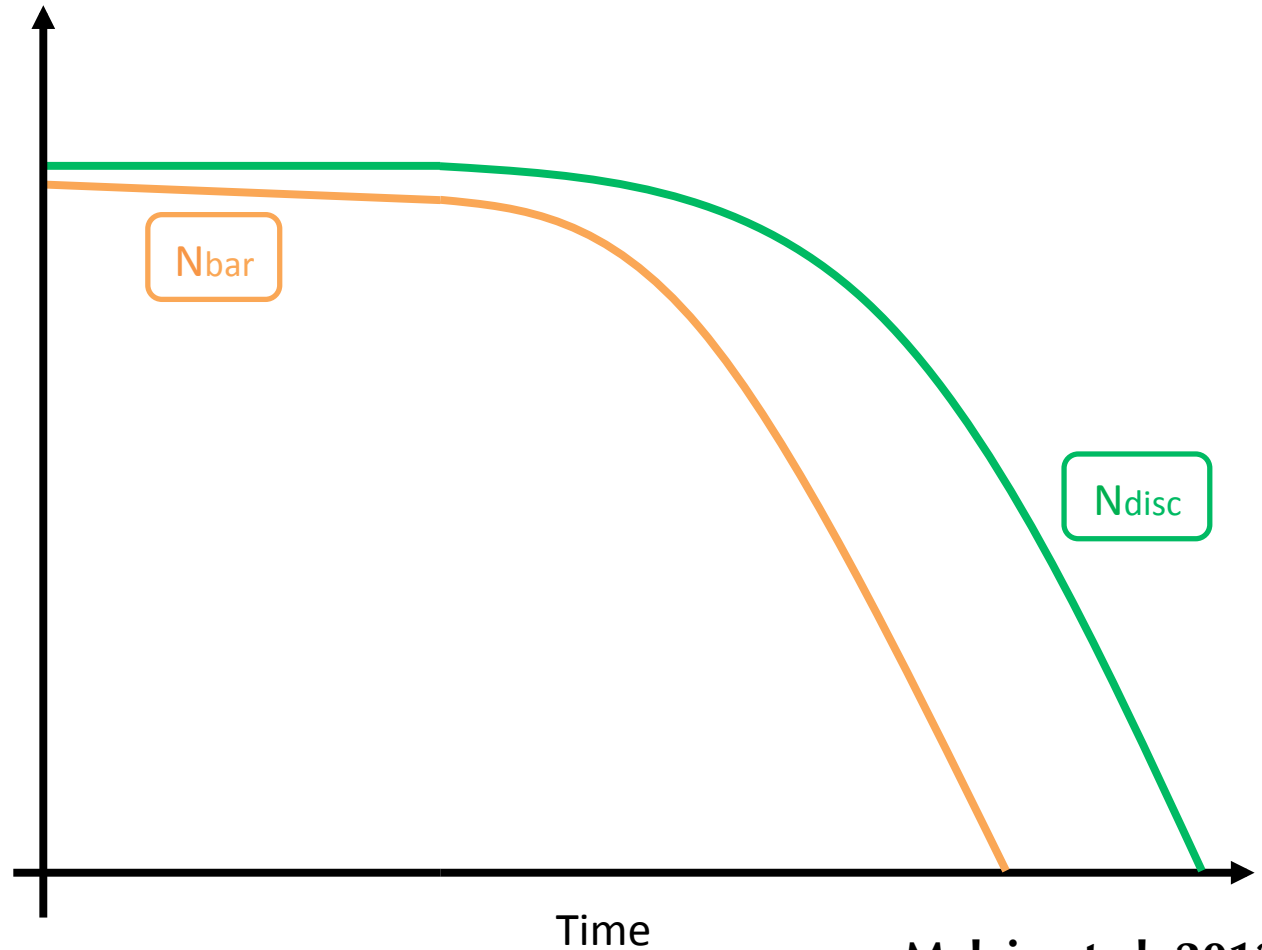
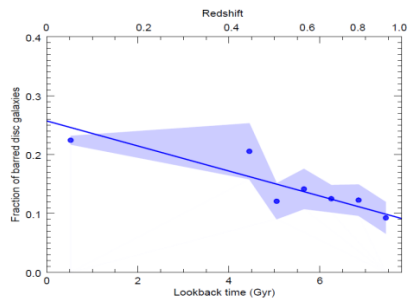
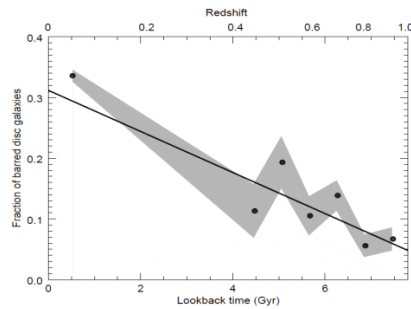
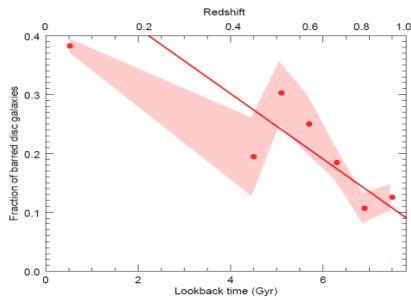


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Bar fraction vs. M_V / Mass

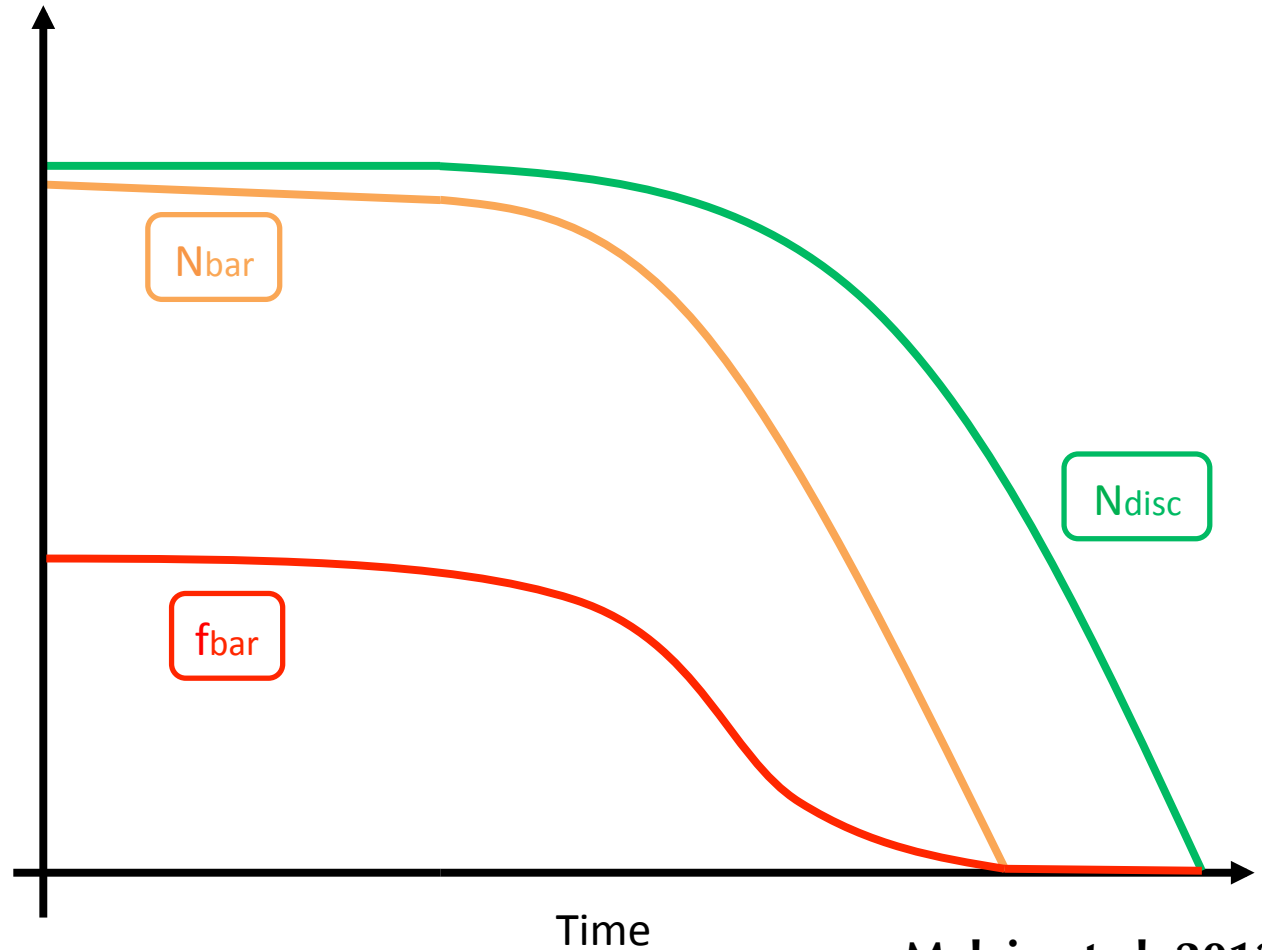
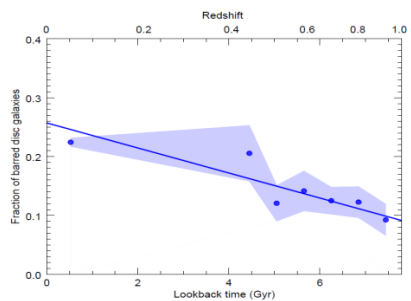
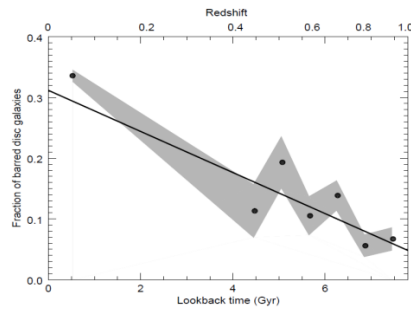
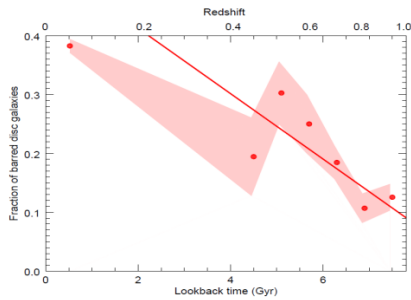
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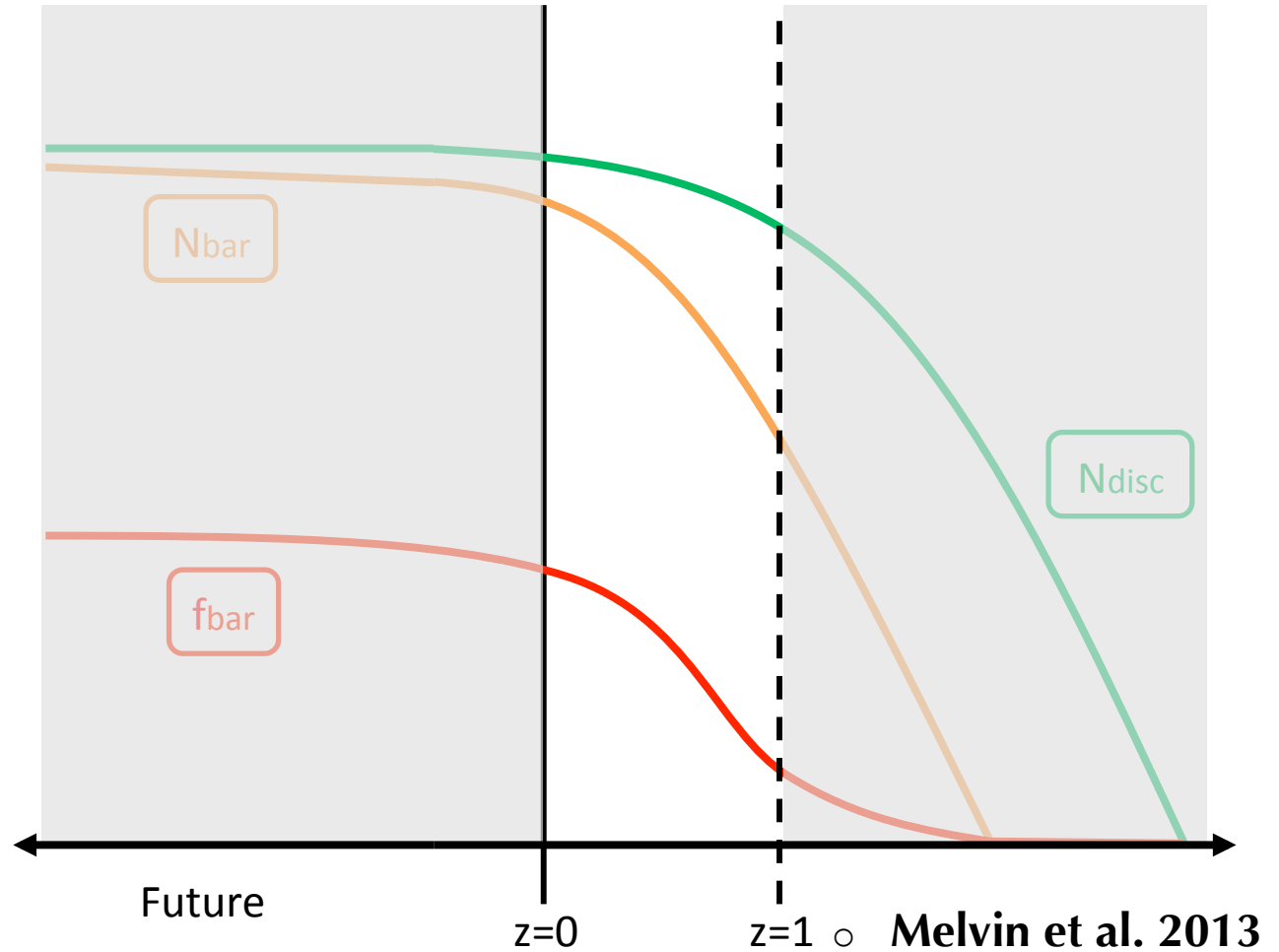
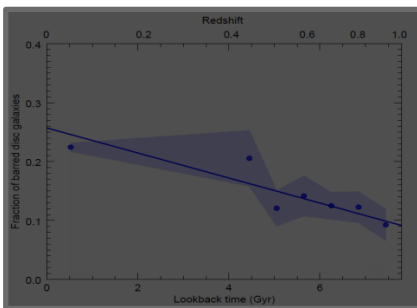
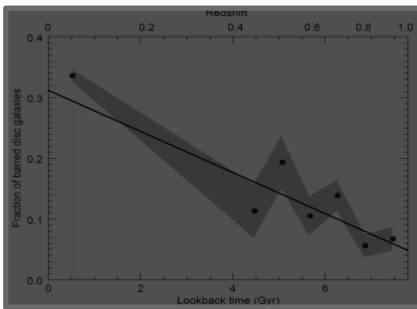
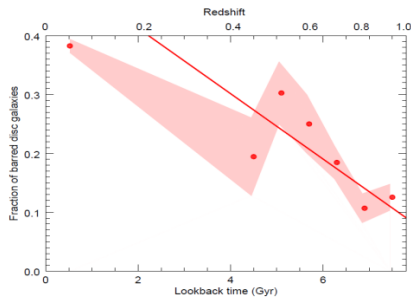
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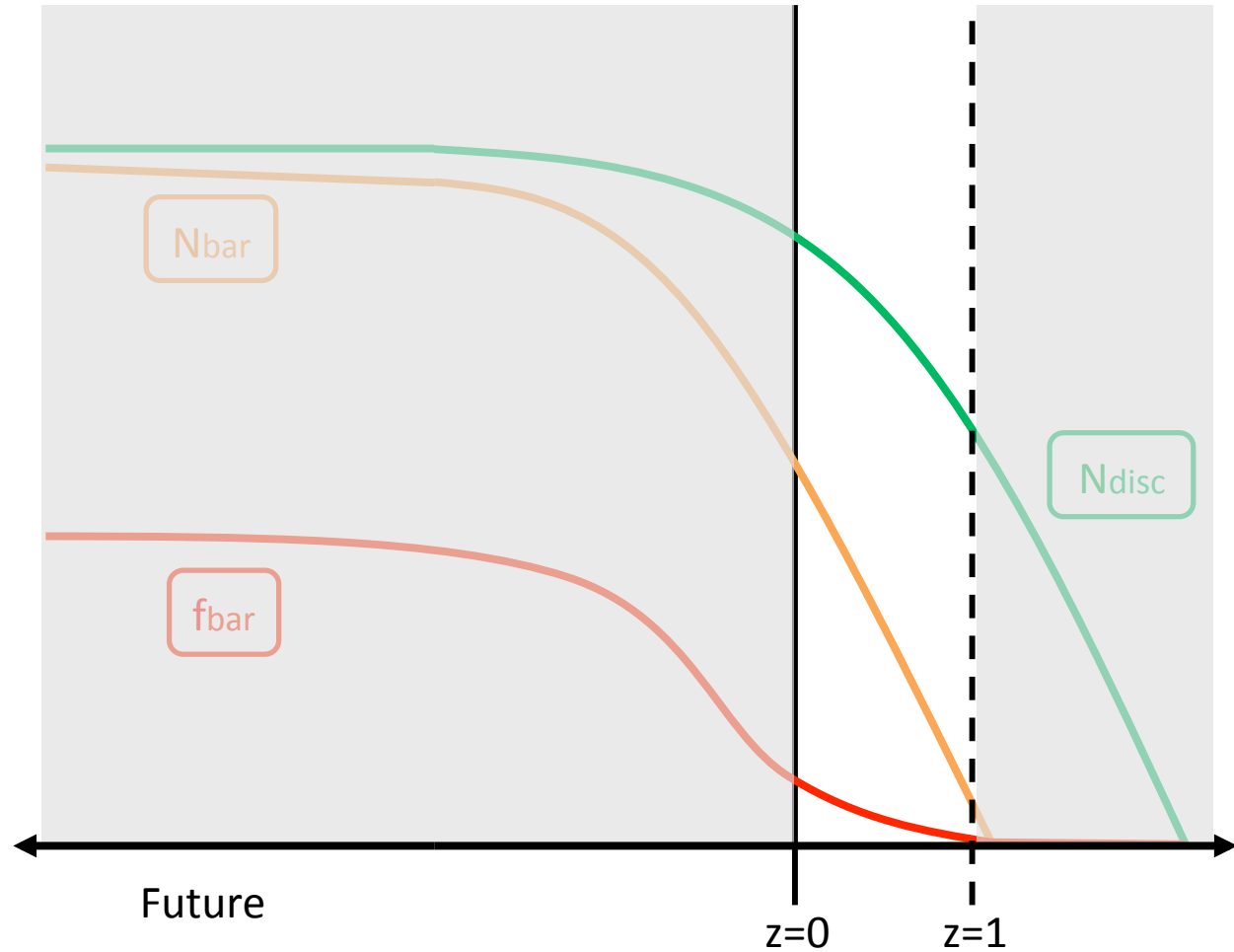
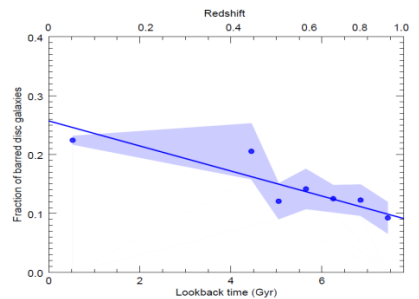
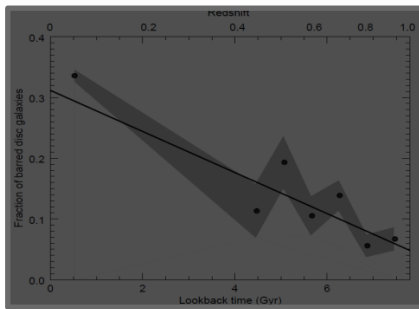
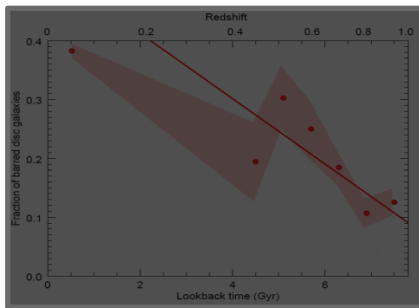


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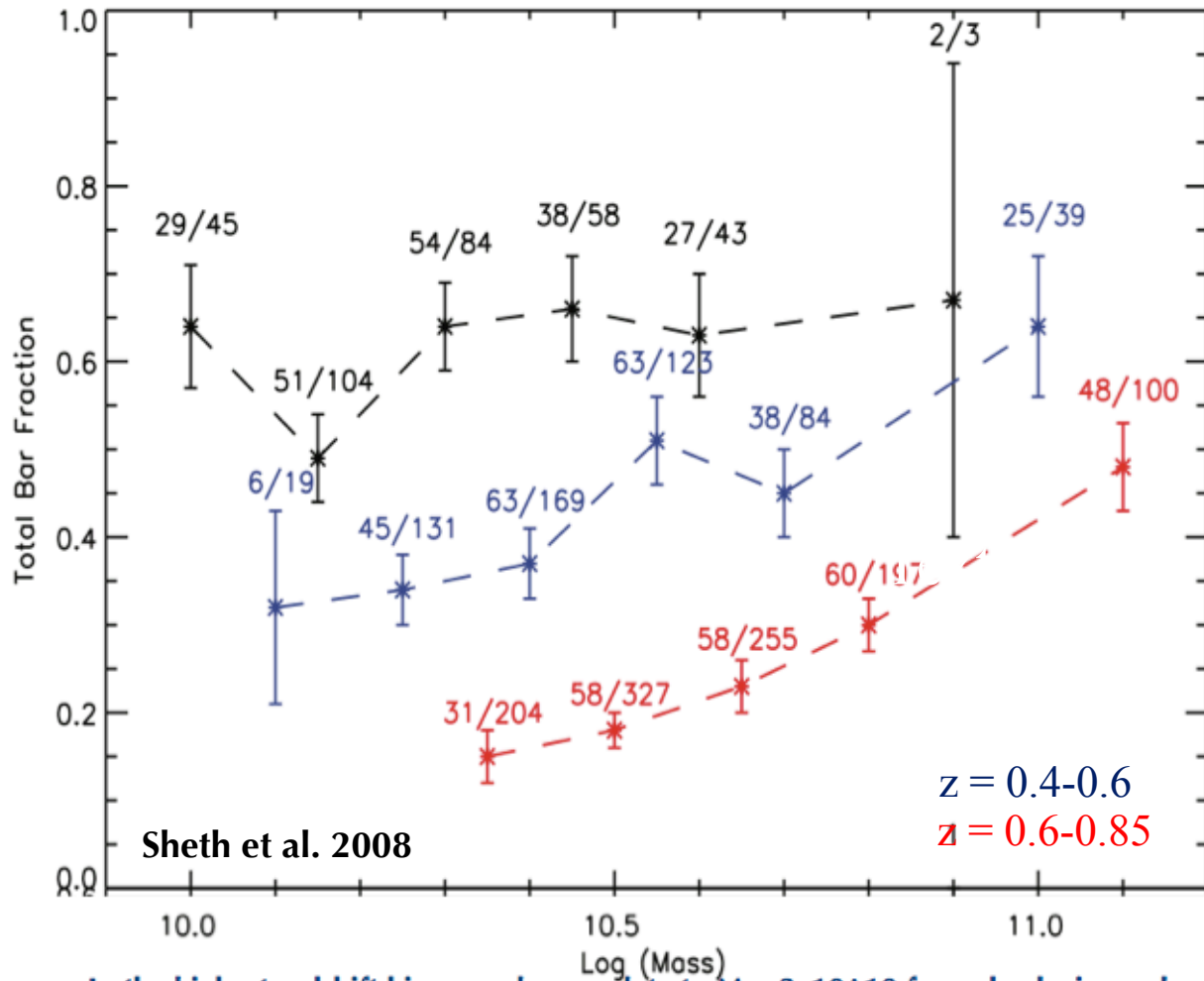


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Sheth et al. 2008

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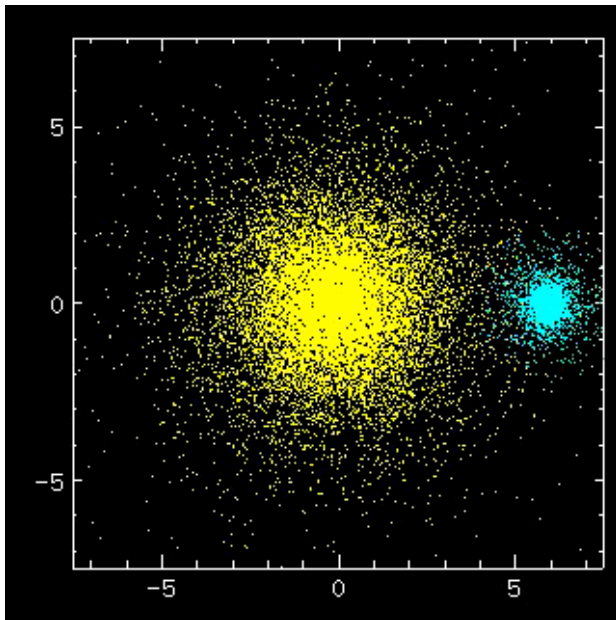
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Interpretation of the Cosmological Evolution

In the framework of classical bar formation:

- Sufficiently hot disks embedded in massive halos can remain unbarred for a long time.
- To get observed slope, most bars should take between 3--7 Gyr to form (if t_{form} at $z \sim 2$)



Interactions / Mergers:

- Create and destroy bars
- Full parameter space remains unexplored - theorists rejoice!
- Requires detailed modeling

Or it may be that at higher redshifts, smaller and less massive galaxies experience higher levels of harassment and therefore may remain dynamically hot and therefore bar-free?

Are Dynamically Hot Disks Preventing Bar Formation?

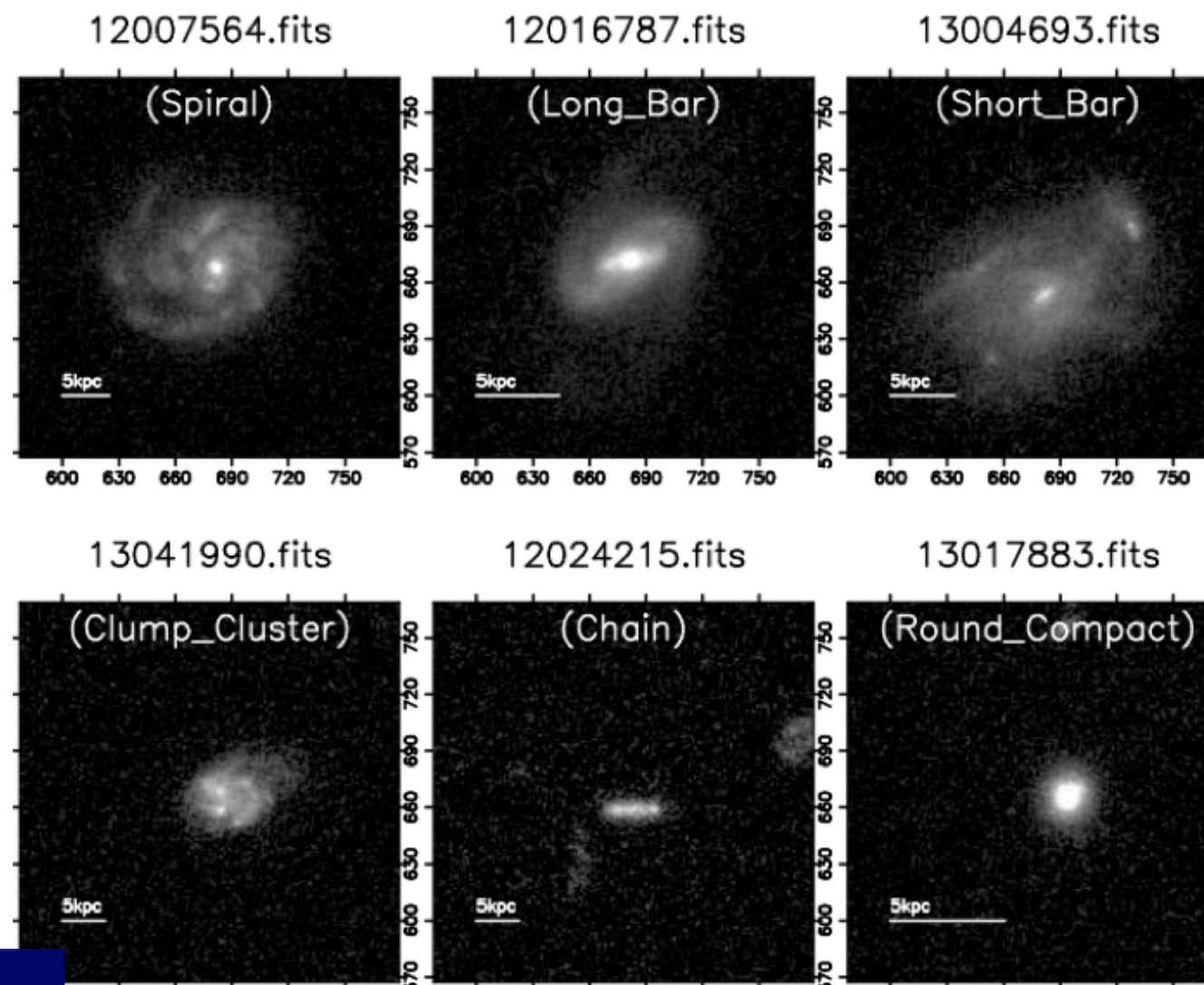
- Initial sample: 544 emission line galaxies from the DEEP2 / AEGIS field (Weiner et al. 06a,b; Kassin et al. '07)

- Chose all L^* & brighter, non-interacting, face-on systems, as in COSMOS

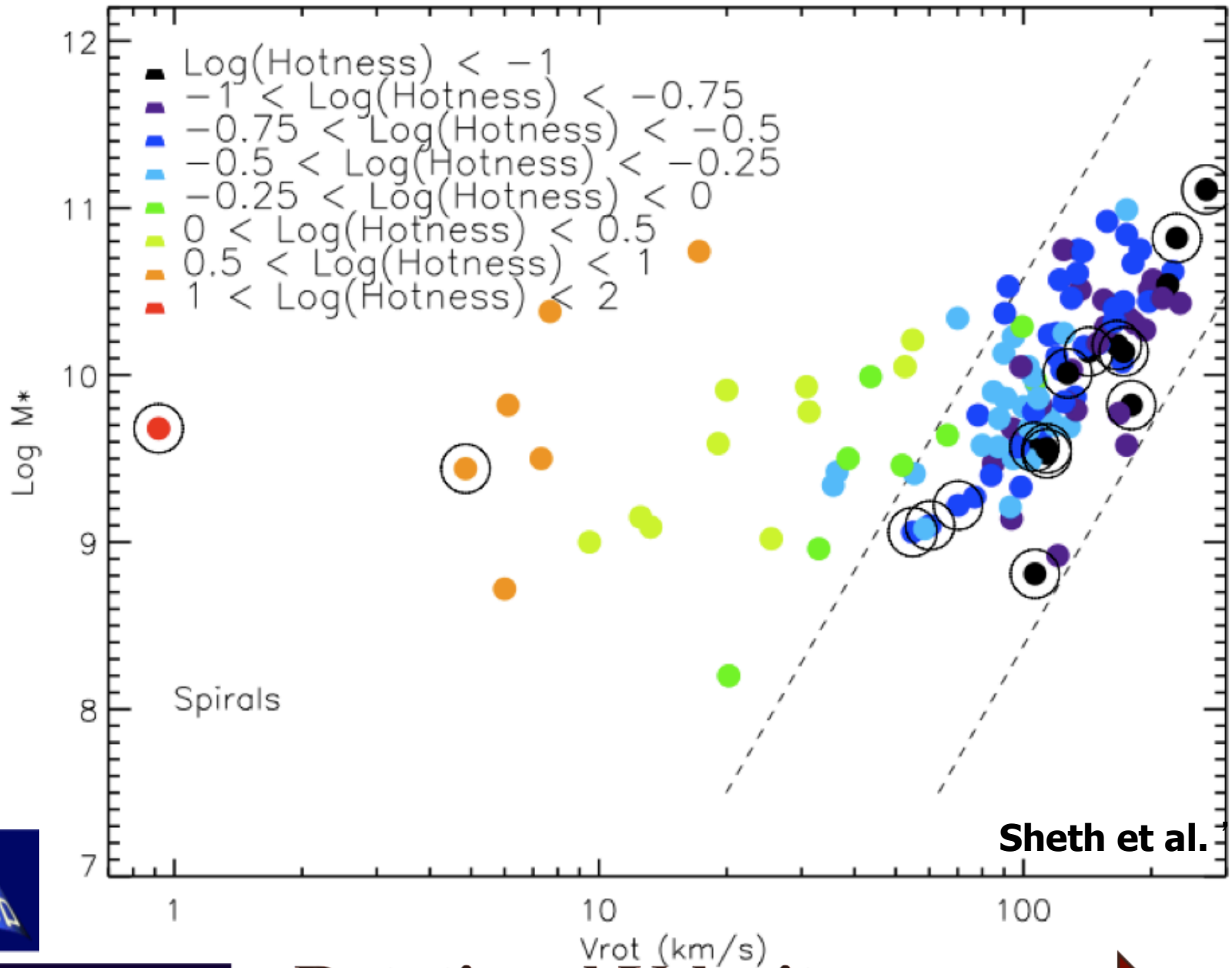
- $0.2 < Z < 0.85$

- Classified them into spirals, bars, compacts

- Compared to previously measured dynamical properties

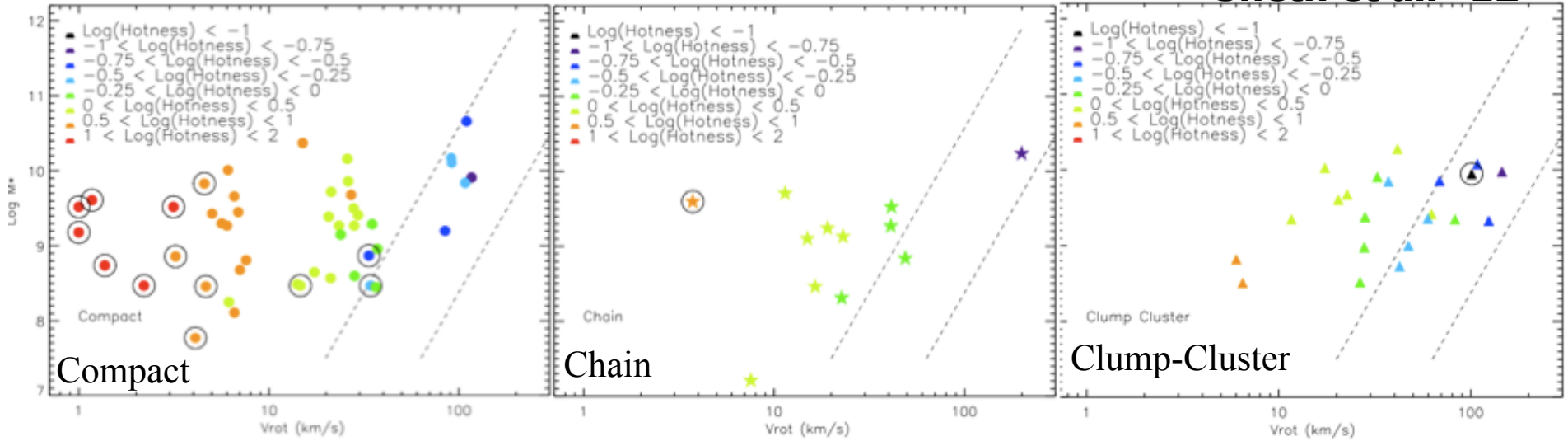


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Stellar Mass

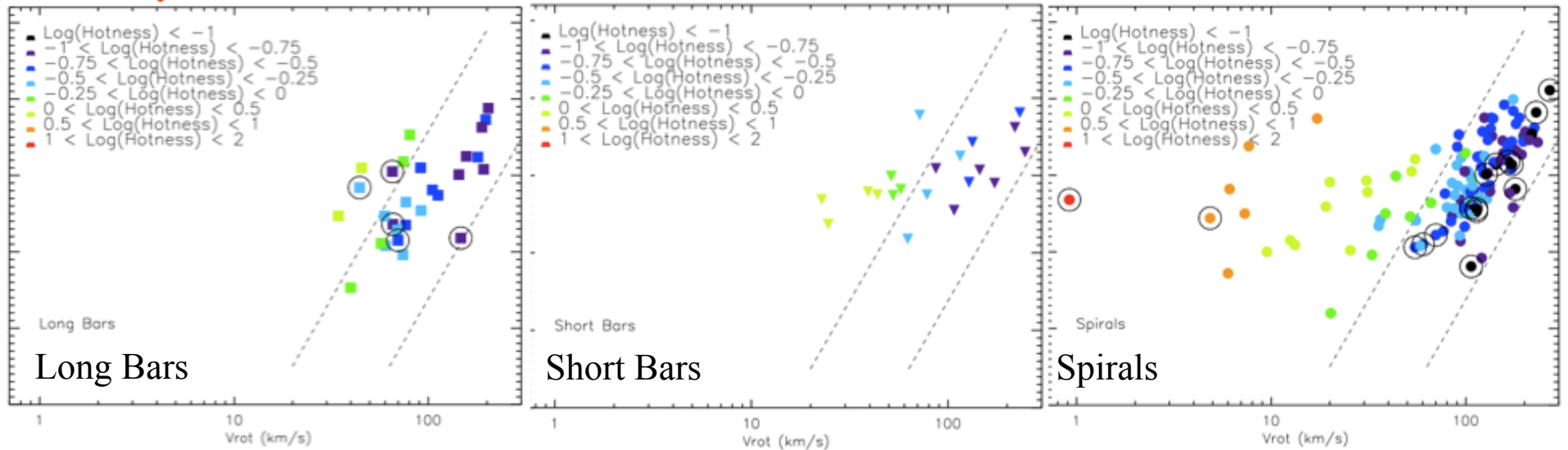


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Rotational Velocity





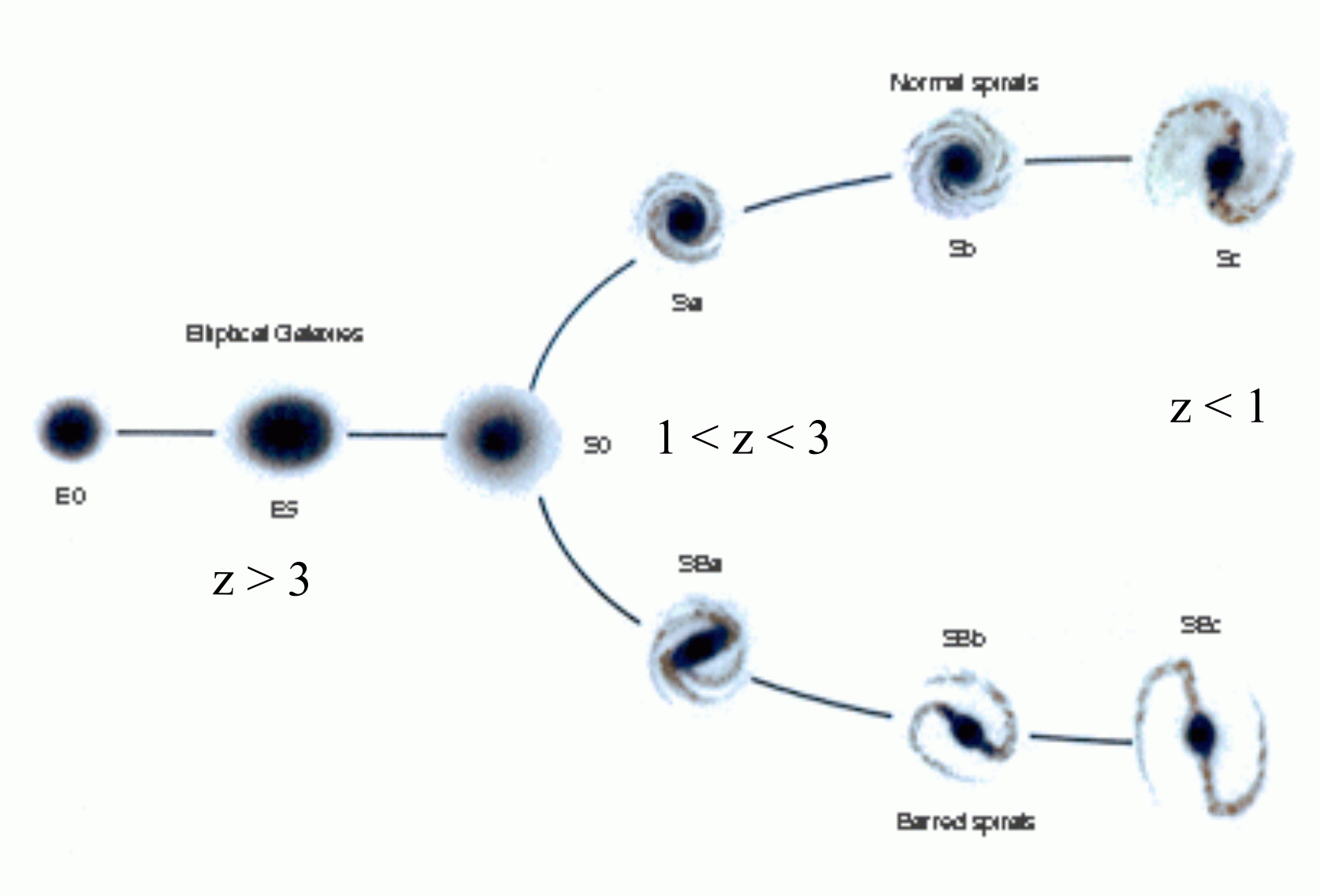
Evolutionary Sequence?



Bar Formation & State of Disks

- Bars are not present in dispersion-dominated disk galaxies.
- Data suggest an evolutionary sequence:
 - Clump-cluster & chain galaxies → rotationally-supported disks on the TF
 - But the precise migration to the TF not well-understood
- No obvious difference in the placement of barred and unbarred spirals on the TF, as in local Universe (Courteau 2003).
- Interaction history between the baryonic matter and the dark matter halo, especially in the inner parts of disks, critical for formation of bars.

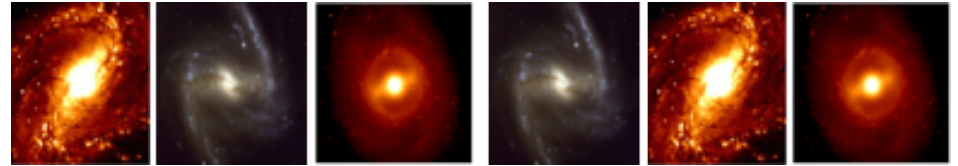
Assembly History of the Hubble Sequence



What we know (and don't know)

- The total bar fraction in $>L^*$ disks declines by x3 over the last 7 Gyr.
 - $f_{\text{bar}} = 0.65 \rightarrow 0.22$, $f_{\text{stbrs}} = 0.27 \rightarrow 0.09$
 - HDF, NICMOS-HDF, GEMS, UDF, COSMOS - all are consistent
 - **Need JWST for pushing further in redshift space.**
- The decline is stellar mass (and color, bulge-domination) dependent
 - More massive galaxies formed their bars first (Downsizing!)
- Bars are **not** present in dispersion-dominated galaxies
 - Evolutionary sequence from clump cluster \rightarrow disks \rightarrow bars?
 - Being on TF is a necessary but not sufficient condition
 - Evolution / interaction with DM halo likely plays a role in bar formation
- Simulations beginning to reproduce observations
 - Gas fraction may also play an important role in slowing bar formation
- **Is there a ceiling to bar fraction?**
 - What fraction of bars are destroyed but leaves behind a disk / can they reform?
 - How does the fraction vary within groups and clusters?
- How do bar **and gas** properties vary with redshift?
- How do bars influence AGN & star formation activity?

The Local Bar Fraction



What is the precise local bar fraction?

What is the distribution of bar properties

How do these vary with galaxy host & environment?

Bar Fractions:

60-70% (a majority of the studies - (deVaucouleurs et al '63, Eskridge et al. '02, Menendez-Delmestre et al. '07, Marinova et al. '07, Sheth et al. '08)

25-40% (some reasonable, some delusional studies)

A variety of factors affect measurement of this value f_{bar}

Different definitions of a bar.

Sample size and completeness

Sample selection criteria (esp. the denominator)

Quality of data.

Since bars are stellar structures you need a large, homogenous, deep, infrared survey to settle these simple but fundamental questions?

THE SPITZER SURVEY OF STELLAR STRUCTURE IN GALAXIES (S⁴G)

is the largest and deepest,
homogeneous survey of
nearby galaxies at mid-
infrared wavelengths!

S⁴G was the only nearby galaxies
Exploratory Program chosen in
Cycle 6 (first Warm Mission cycle)



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Motivation



- Nearby galaxies are the “fossil” records of galaxy evolution
- S⁴G provides a wealth of detail to test current models of galaxy formation and evolution
- Create the ultimate survey of the distribution of stellar structures, their masses and properties in the nearby Universe.
- S⁴G is a volume-, magnitude- and size- limited survey of 2300+ galaxies with IRAC at 3.6 and 4.5 μ m (240s, 637.2 hrs)
 - 3.6 and 4.5 μ m provides a dust-free view of the old stars (color independent of population changes, metallicity etc.)
 - The best tracer of stellar mass (Eskew et al 2012, Meidt et al. 2012 a,b)

An Ultimate Survey Of Stellar Structure & Mass in Nearby Galaxies



All galaxies that meet the following criteria were chosen:

- $V_{\text{hel}}^* < 3000 \text{ km/s}$ ($D < 40 \text{ Mpc}$)
- $m_B < 15.5$
- $D_{25} > 1'$
- $|b| > 30^\circ$

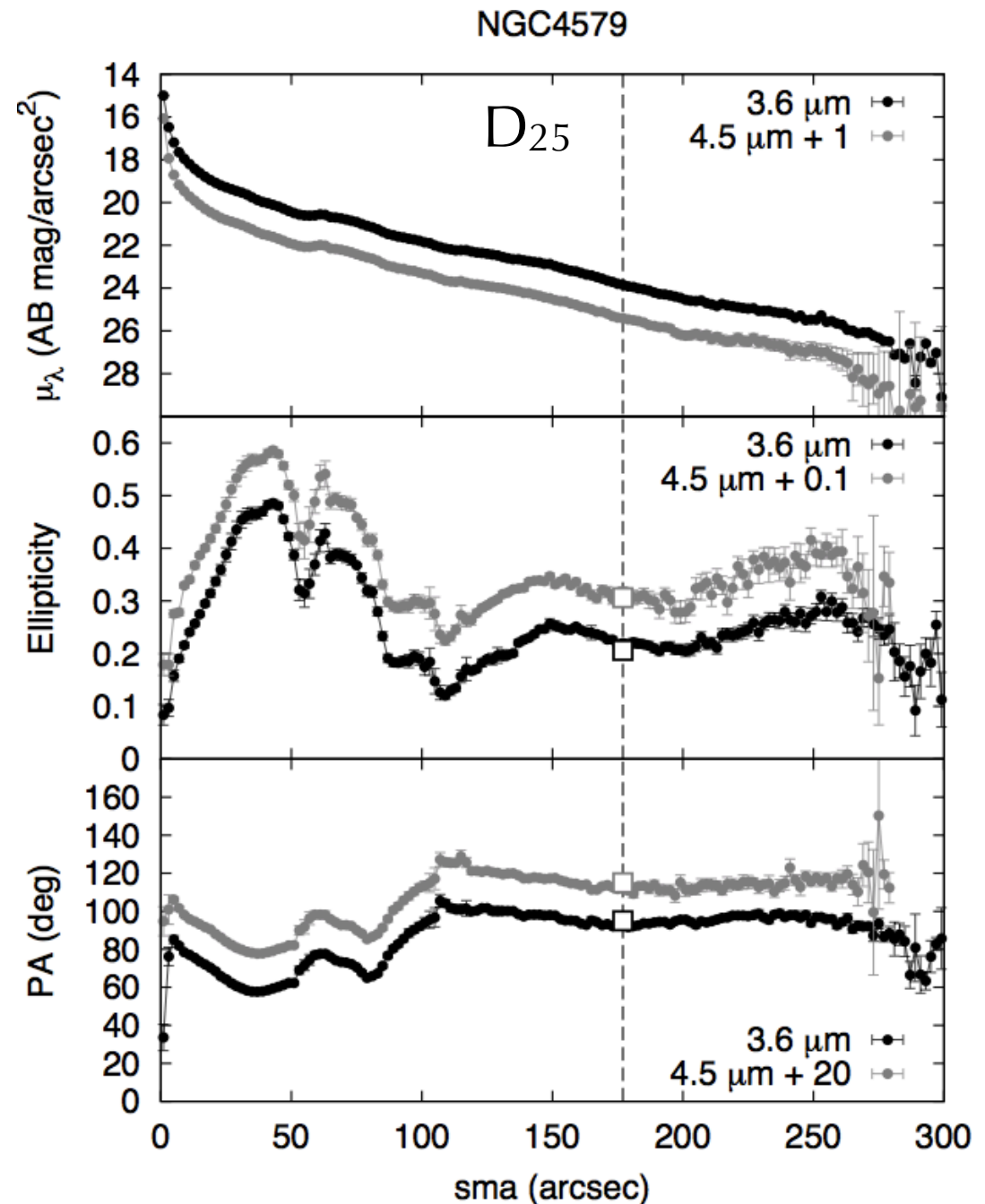
- **637.2 hrs**

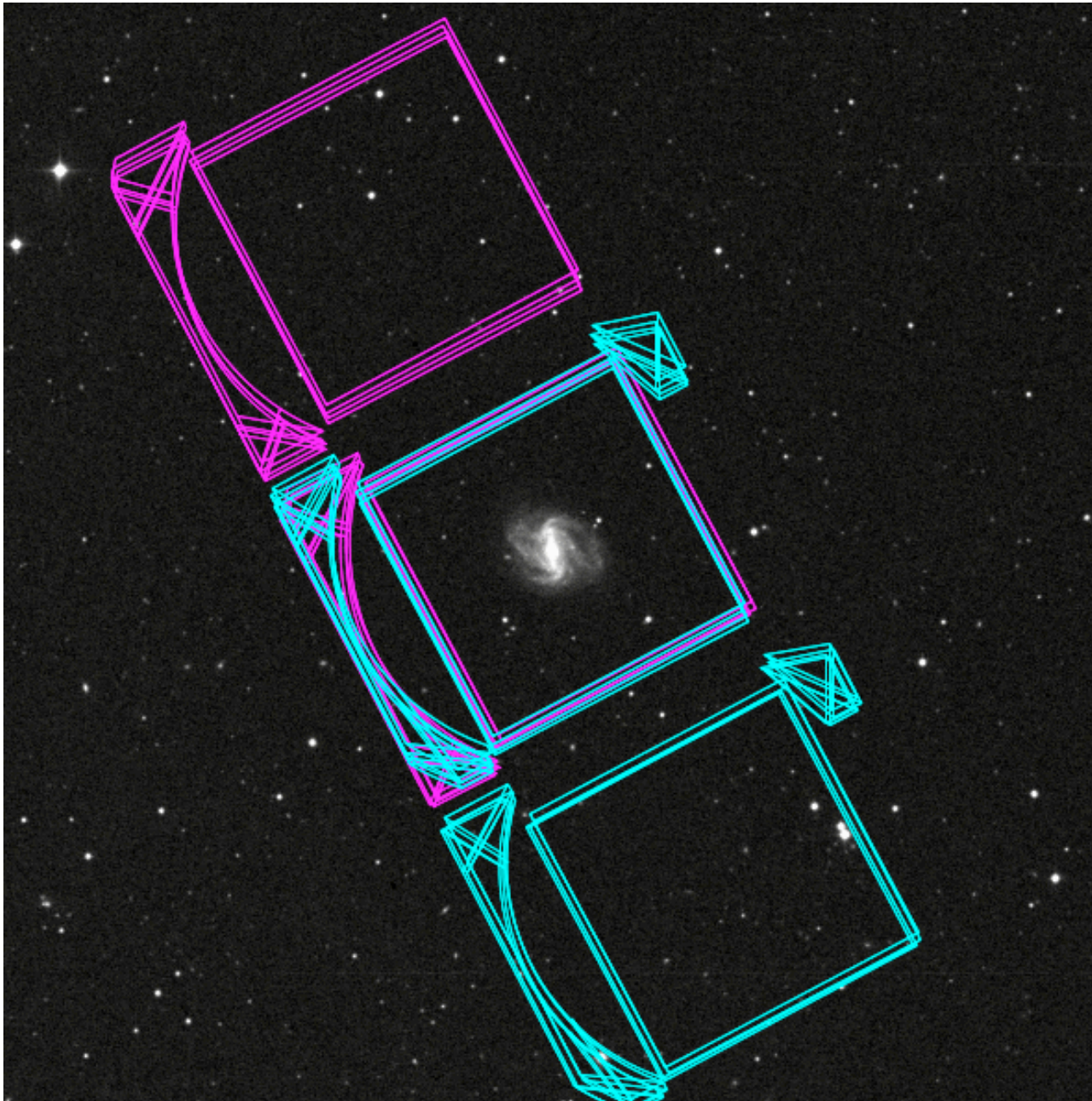
- 2352 galaxies (1,809 in warm mission)
- Mosaicked or mapped to $1.5 \times D_{25}$
- 240s per pixel
- $1 \sigma = 0.00722, 0.0093 \text{ MJy /sr} / m_{(AB)} \sim 27 \text{ mag arcsec}^{-2}$
- $\Sigma_* \ll 1 M_\odot \text{ pc}^{-2} !$

- **3.6 + 4.5 μm critical for removing effects of PAH emission, for better modeling of stellar light and removal of systematics**

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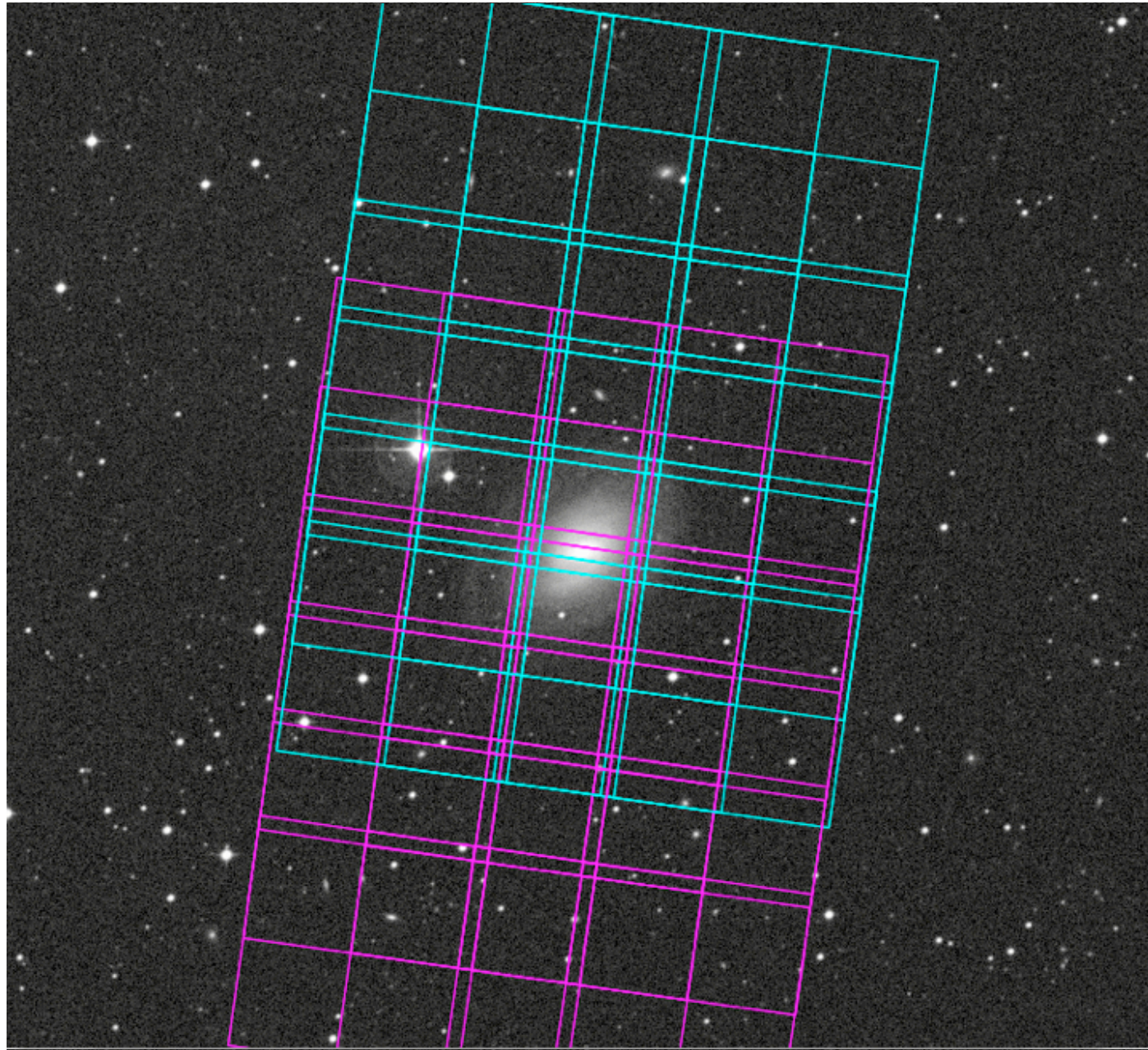


Small galaxies are observed with a dither map

Background from adjacent FOV

Scattered light from stars a problem

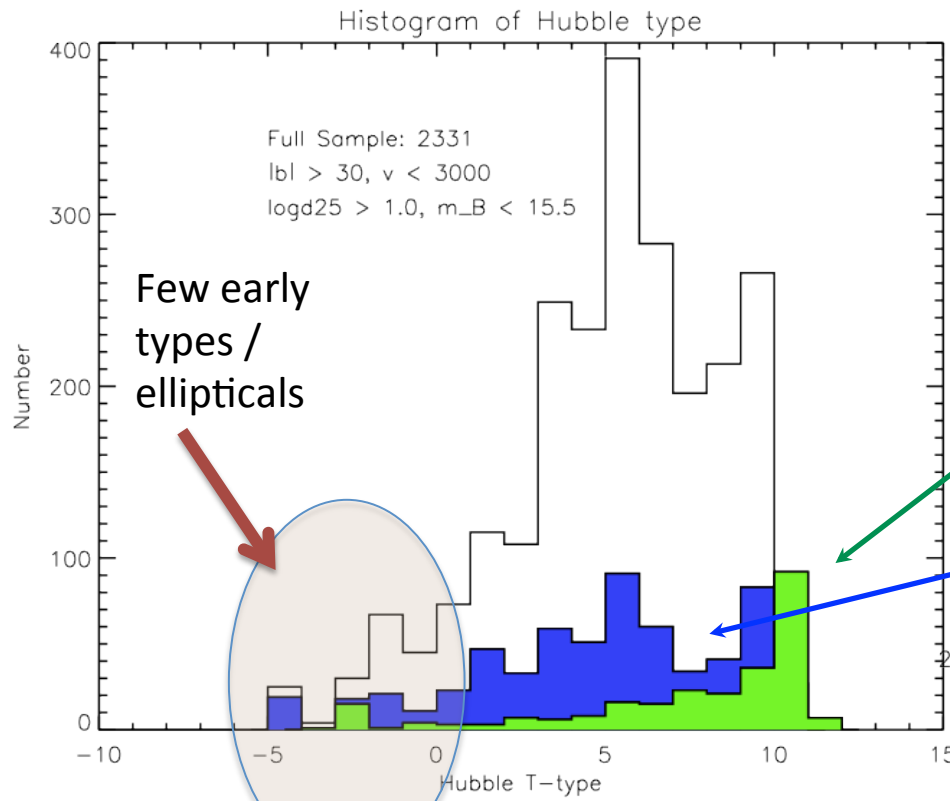




Big galaxies are
mosaicked with
146.6" steps,

And with a slight
offset from galaxy
center

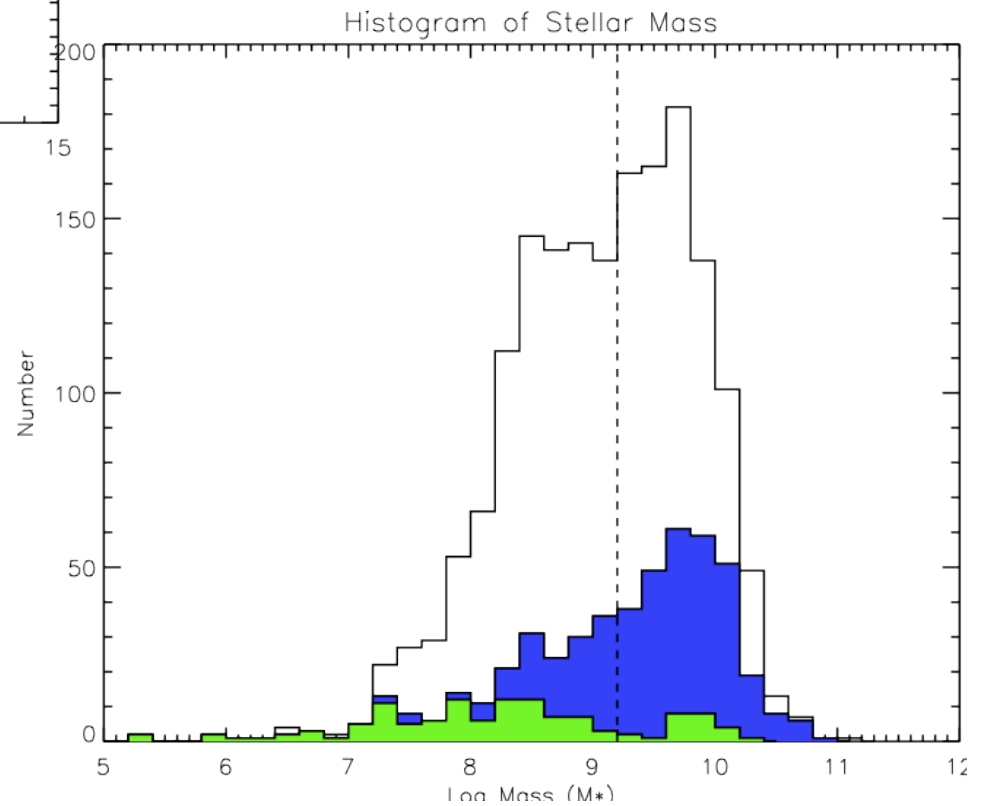




Local Galaxy Volume (3 Mpc) survey (258 galaxies)

SINGS + GO + GTO (339 galaxies)

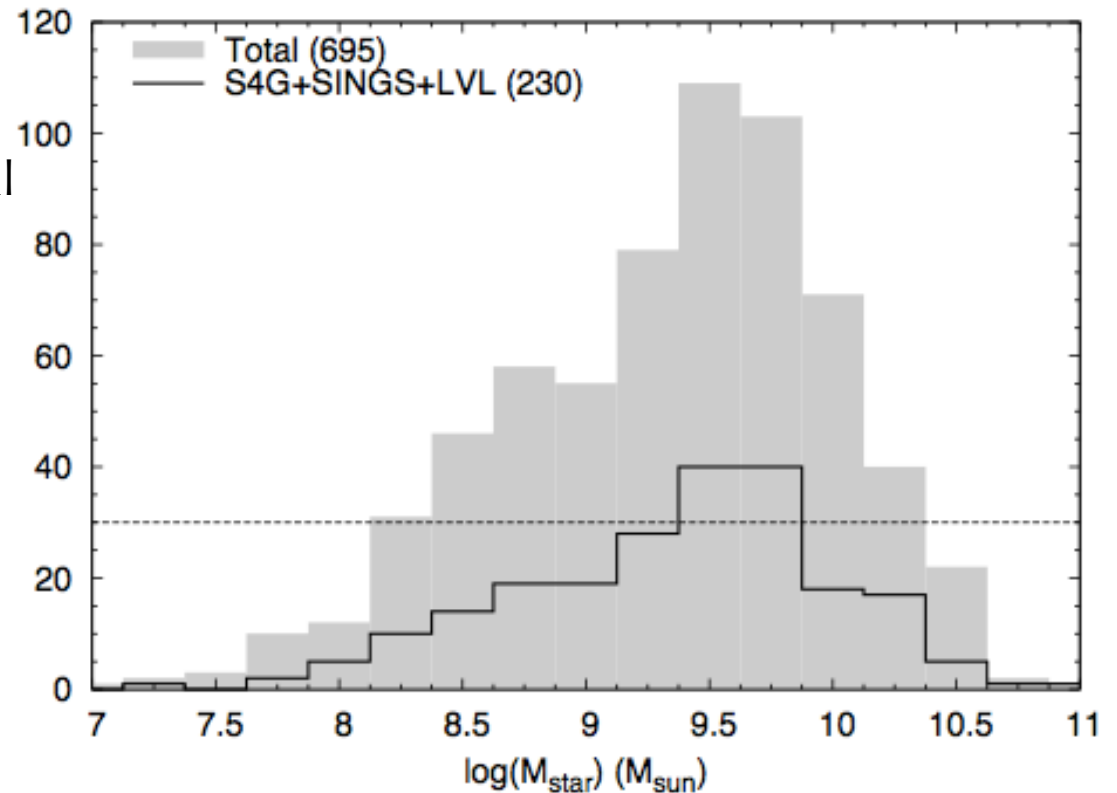
★ S⁴G explores the full mass and T-type space.





ETGs: Not Dead Yet!

- All remaining ETGs with the same selection criteria as original survey
- **695 total ETGs**
- **188 hrs – Spitzer Cycle 10**
- Mosaicked or mapped to $1.5 \times D_{25}$
- 240s per pixel
- $1 \sigma = 0.00722, 0.0093 \text{ MJy / sr}$
- $m_{(AB)} \sim \mathbf{27 \text{ mag arcsec}^{-2}}$
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Just starting these observations now. Will be looking for a postdoc depending on Spitzer funding for this newest Cycle 10 awards.

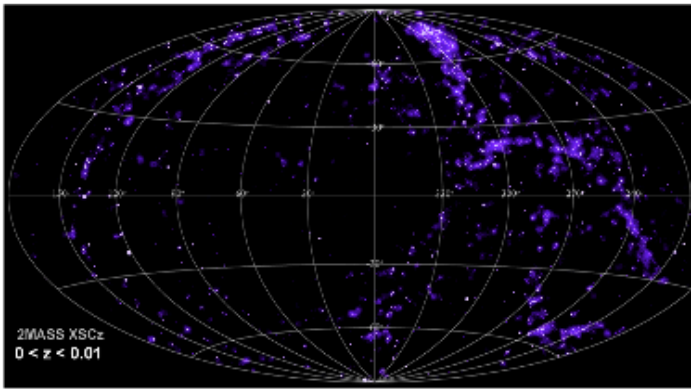
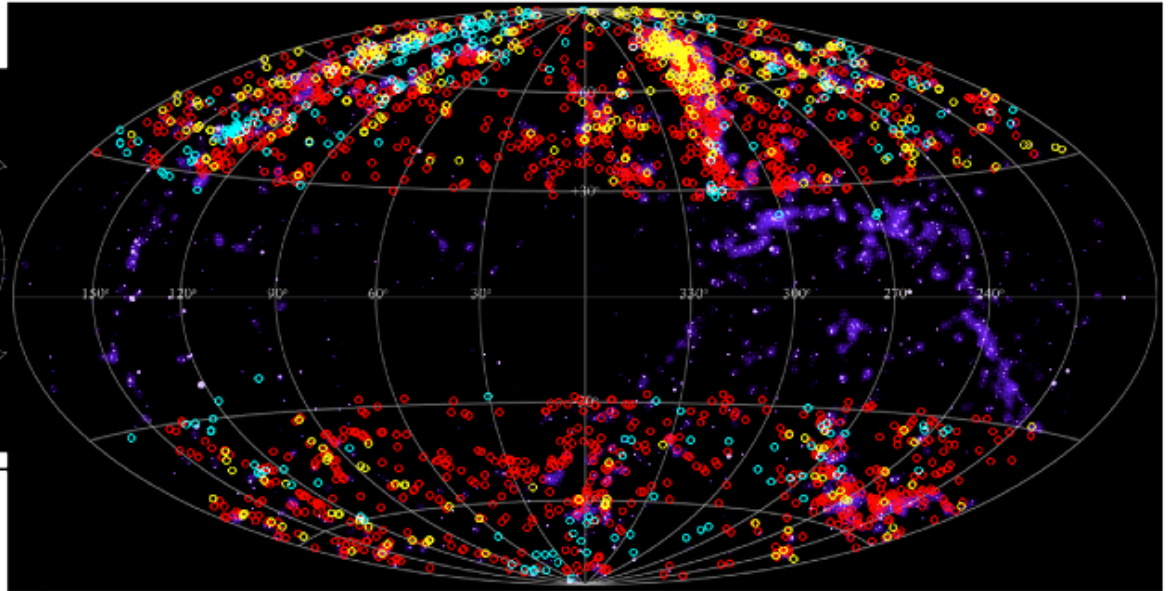


Figure 3a (Inset): Shows the large scale structure (LSS) in purple from the 2MASS XSC at $z < 0.01$.



★ S⁴G explores a wide range of large scale structure!



**All S⁴G data + P1-P3 products
released at the AAS in Long
Beach in January**

<http://www.cv.nrao.edu/~ksheth/S4G>

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S⁴G can thus probe the stellar structure in galaxies in a regime where the gas dominates the stars (typical HI surface density \sim a few $M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}$).



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This was the motivation for S⁴G. It is a representative, volume-limited ($d < 40 \text{ Mpc}$) survey of nearby spiral, elliptical, and dwarf galaxies at 3.6 and 4.5 μm designed

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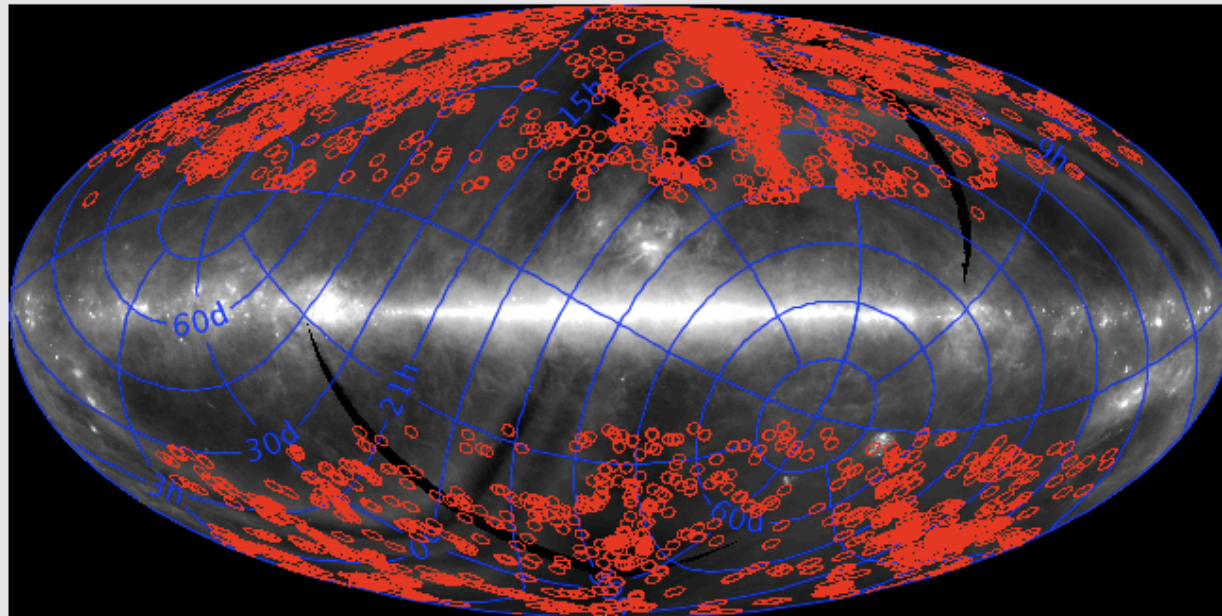
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Spitzer Survey of Stellar Structure in Galaxies (S4G)

S4G consists of a sample of 2,331 galaxies, which have been mapped with IRAC channels 1 and 2 (3.6 and 4.5 microns).

IRSA hosts the complete S4G project data set, including results from galaxy modeling using ellipse fitting and Galfit.



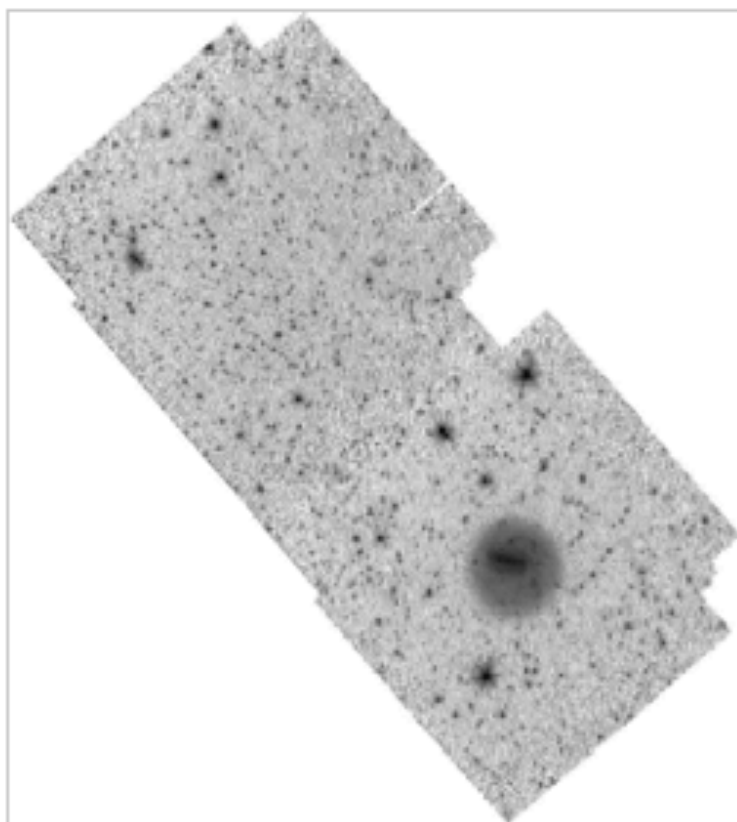
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The 2,331 S4G galaxies are represented as overlays in **red** on the all-sky [IRSSA](#) image above. Use the form below to enter a coordinate or object name to search for data, or click on any red region to

Galaxy: NGC3906

IRAC Data



NGC3906 IRAC Ch1 Preview

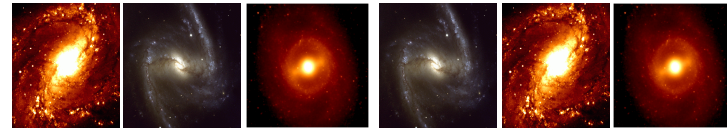
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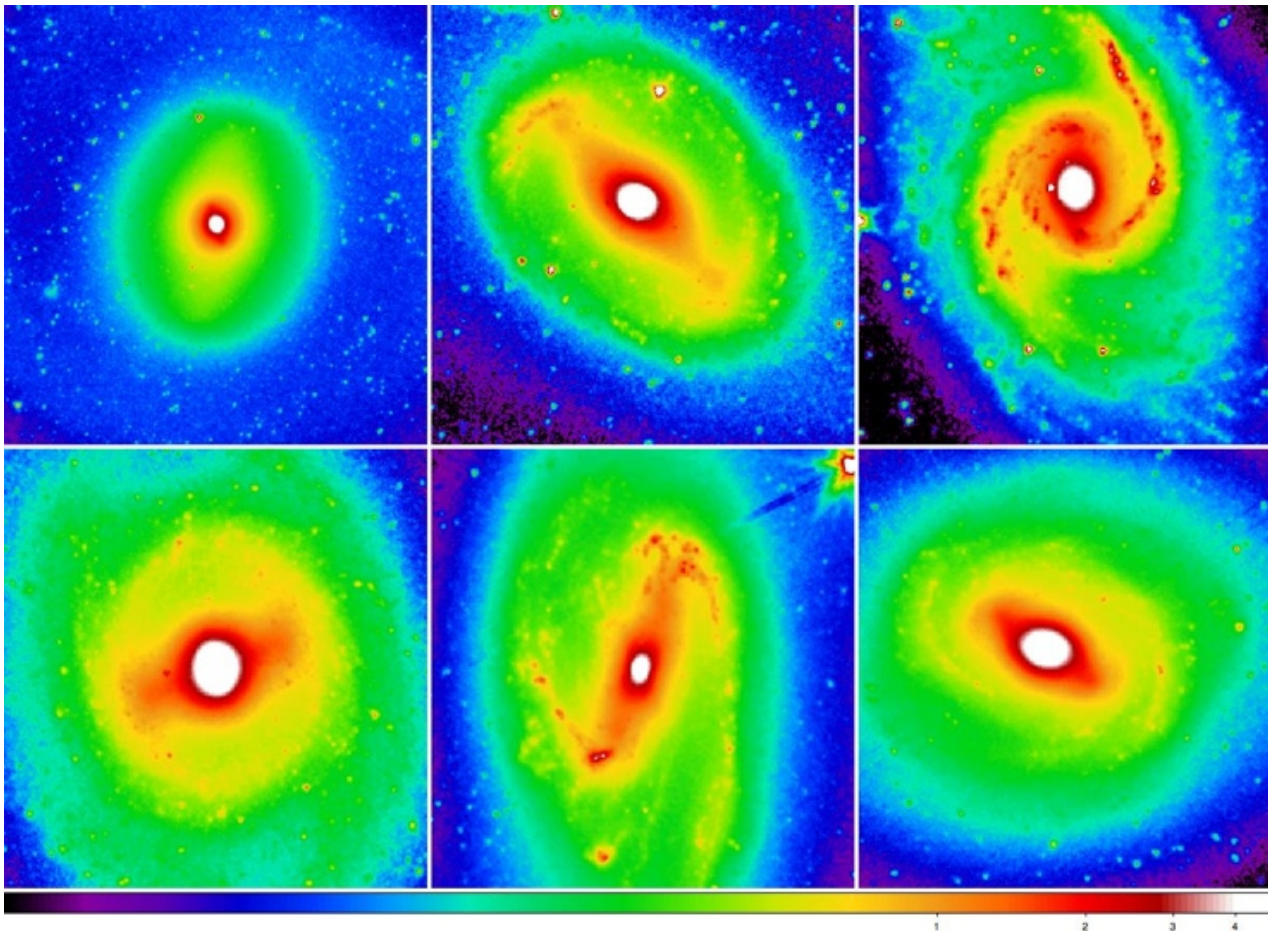
The Local Bar Fraction



What is the precise local bar fraction?
How does it vary with galaxy host & environment?



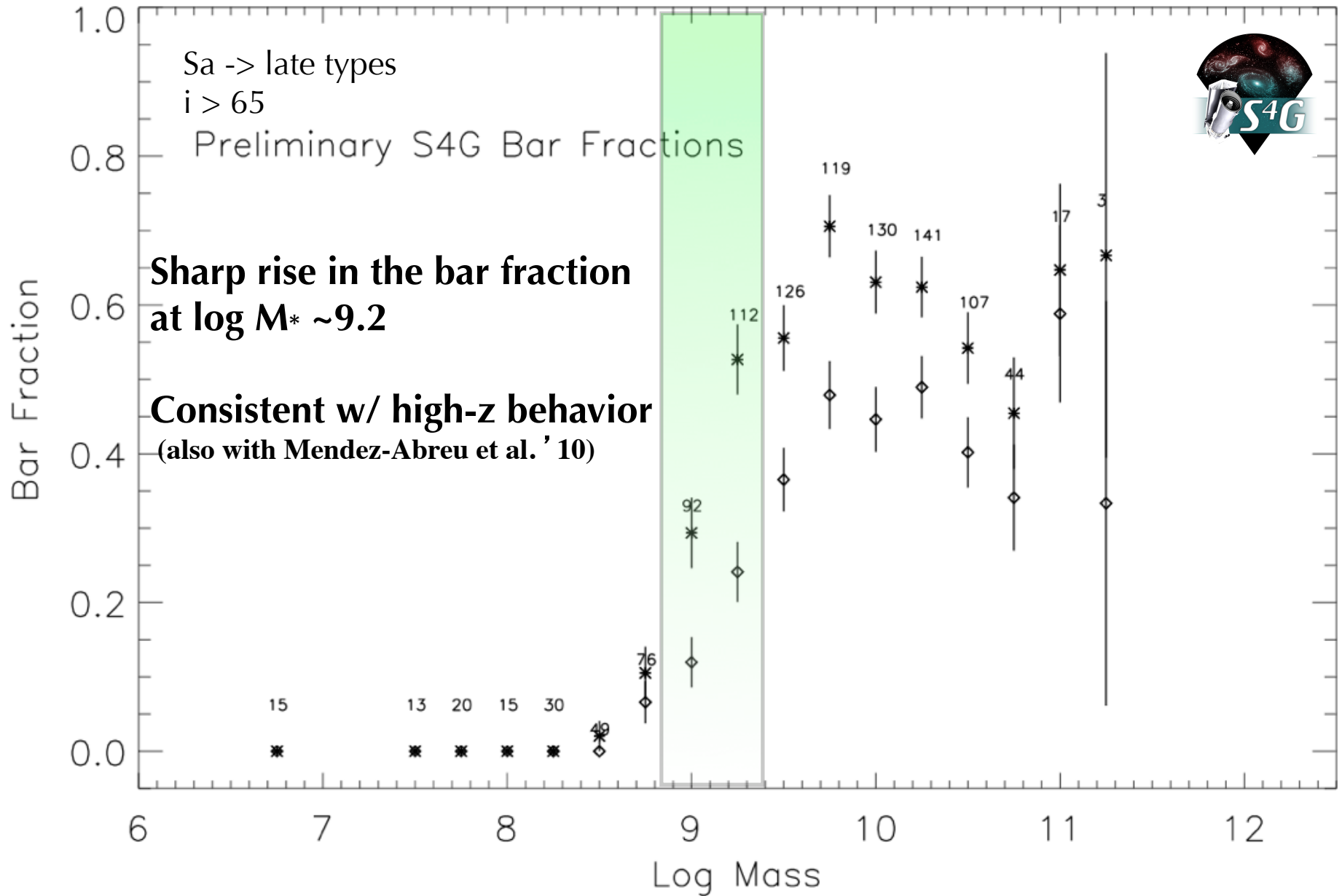
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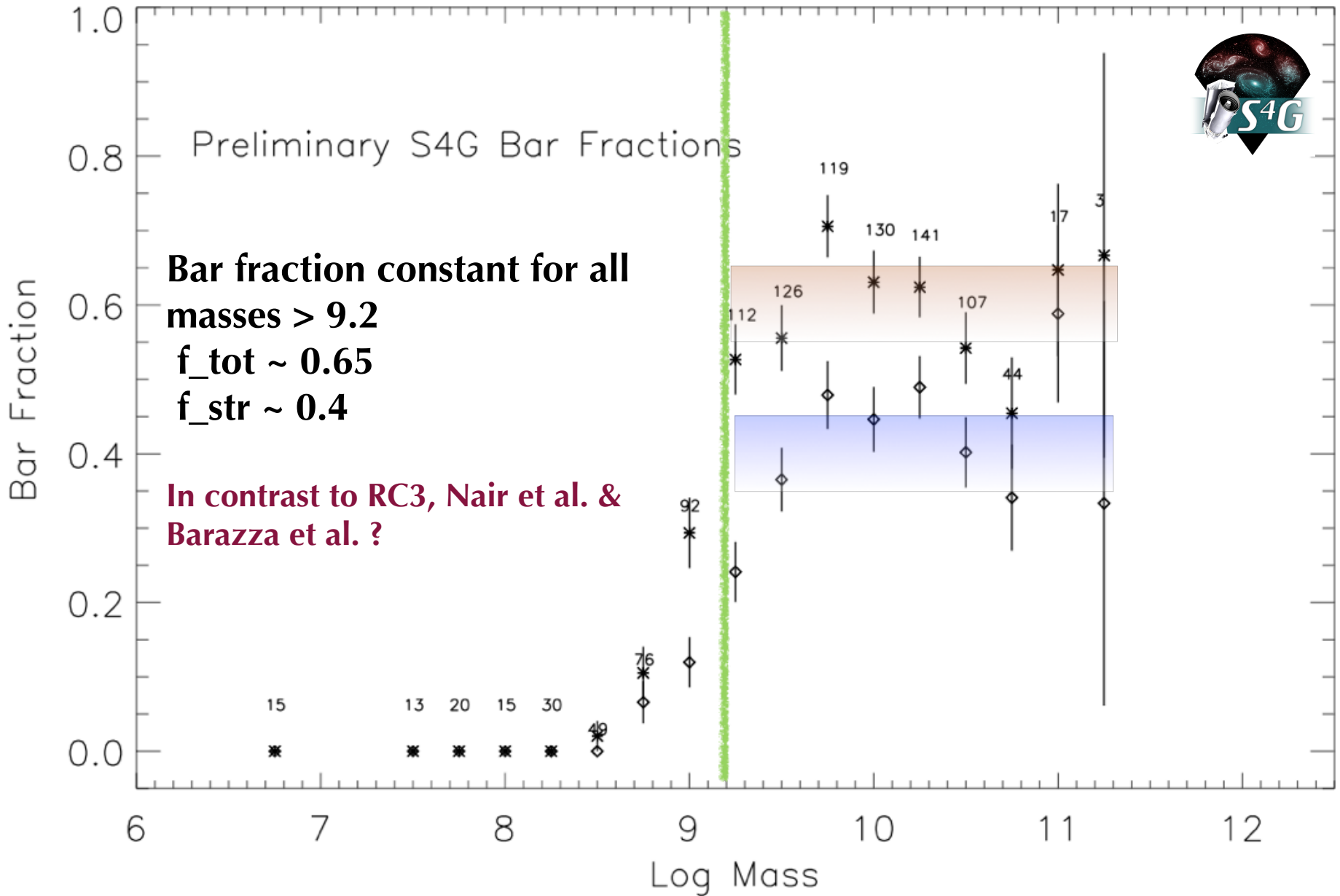


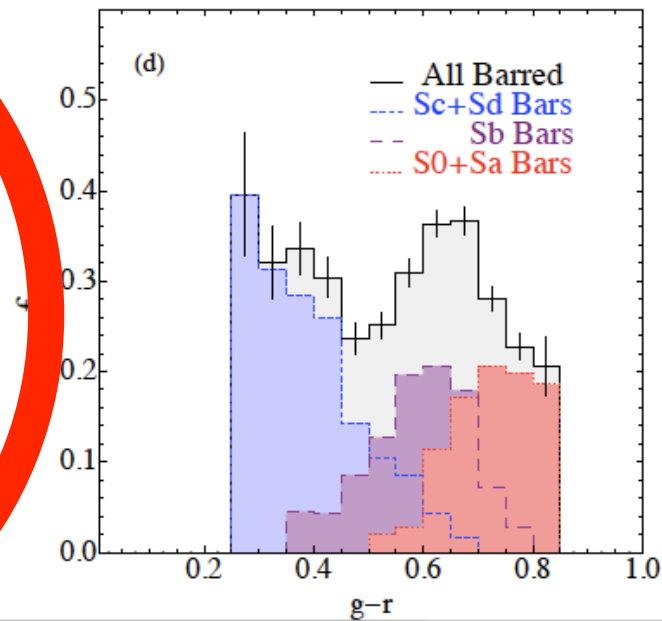
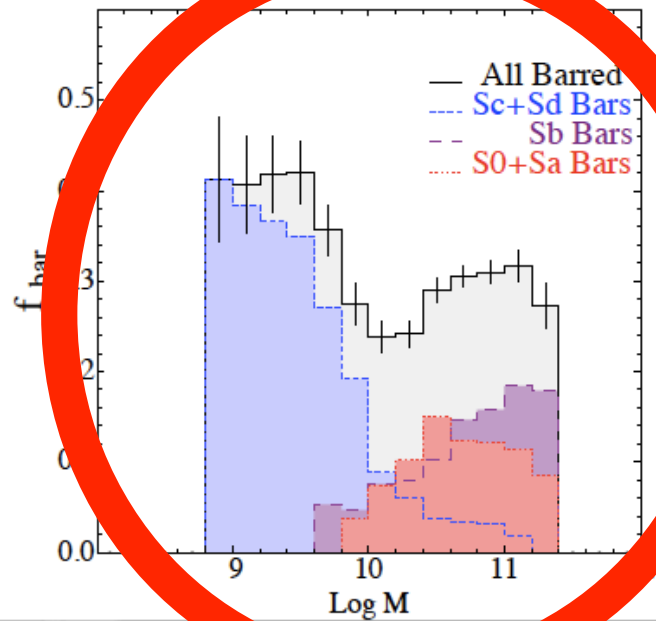
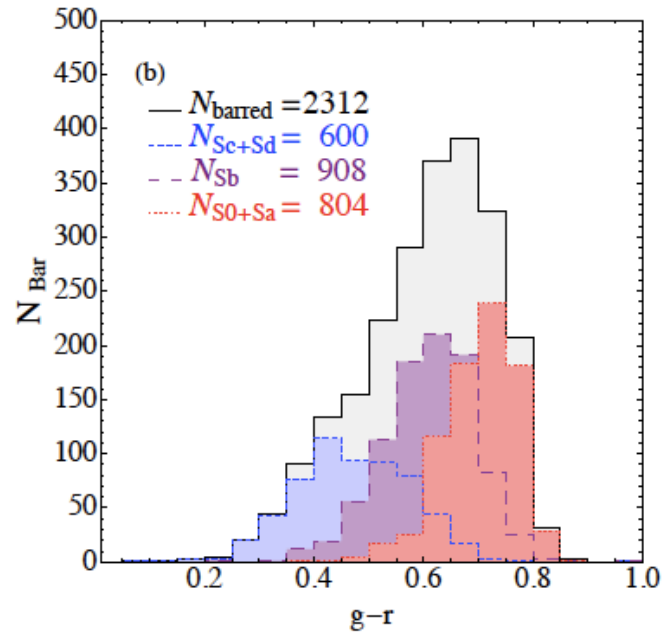
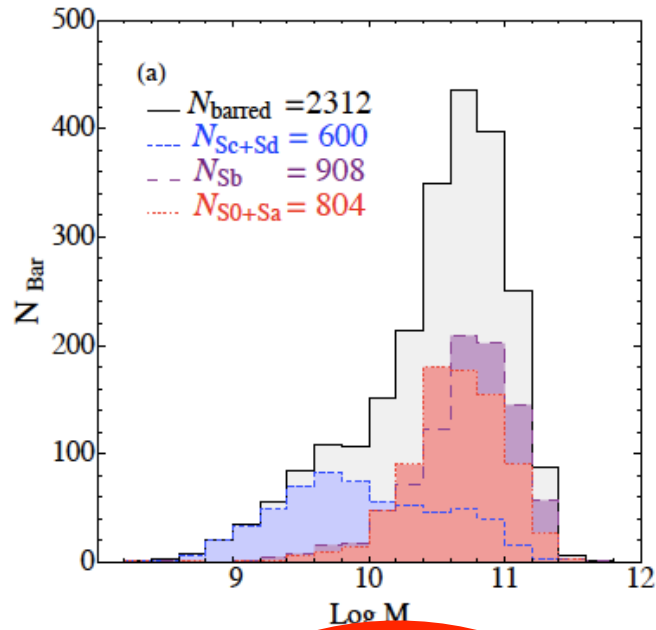
Census of local bars

- Bar frequency
- Bar lengths
- Bar strengths
- Nuclear bars
- Lenses
- Correlation with rings & spiral arms

- Bar properties as a function of galaxy properties



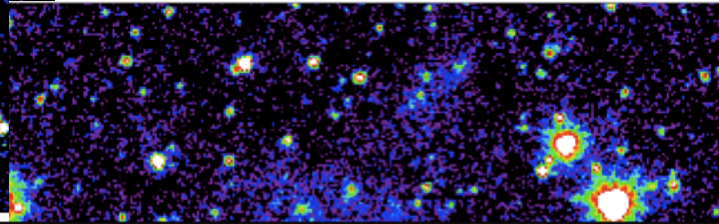
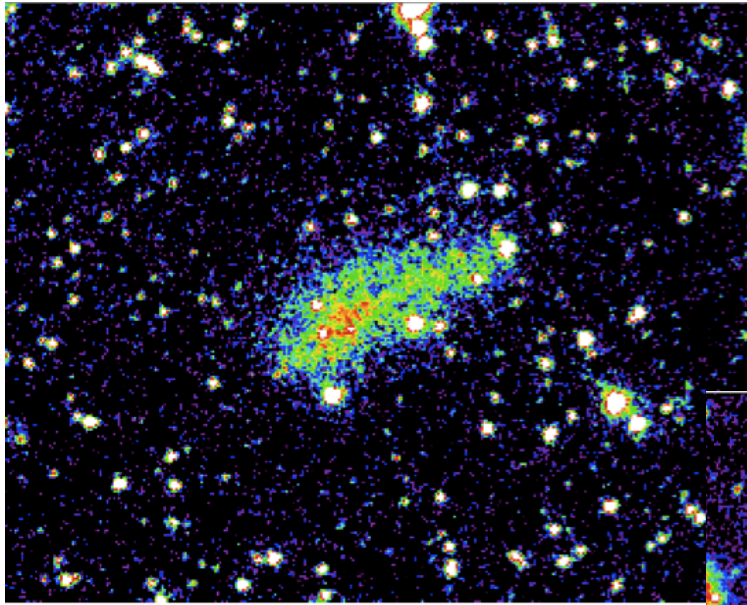




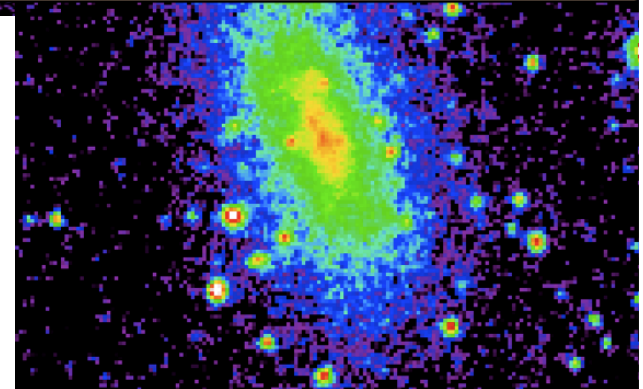
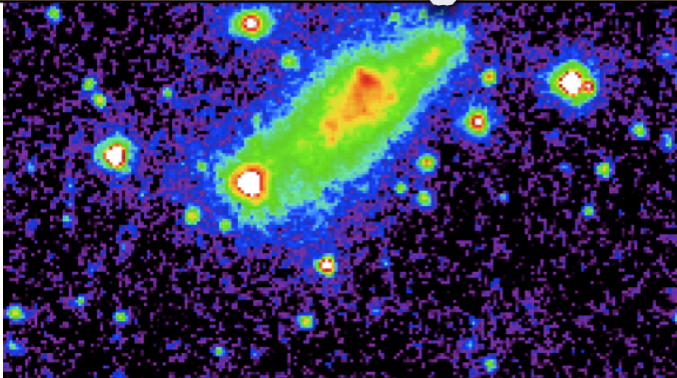
Nair et al. 2010

**Caution -
 against using
 this catalog
 blindly**

**S⁴G Images of typical RC3
Magellanic “Bars”**



**So at least some Magellanic
bars may not be “real” bars**



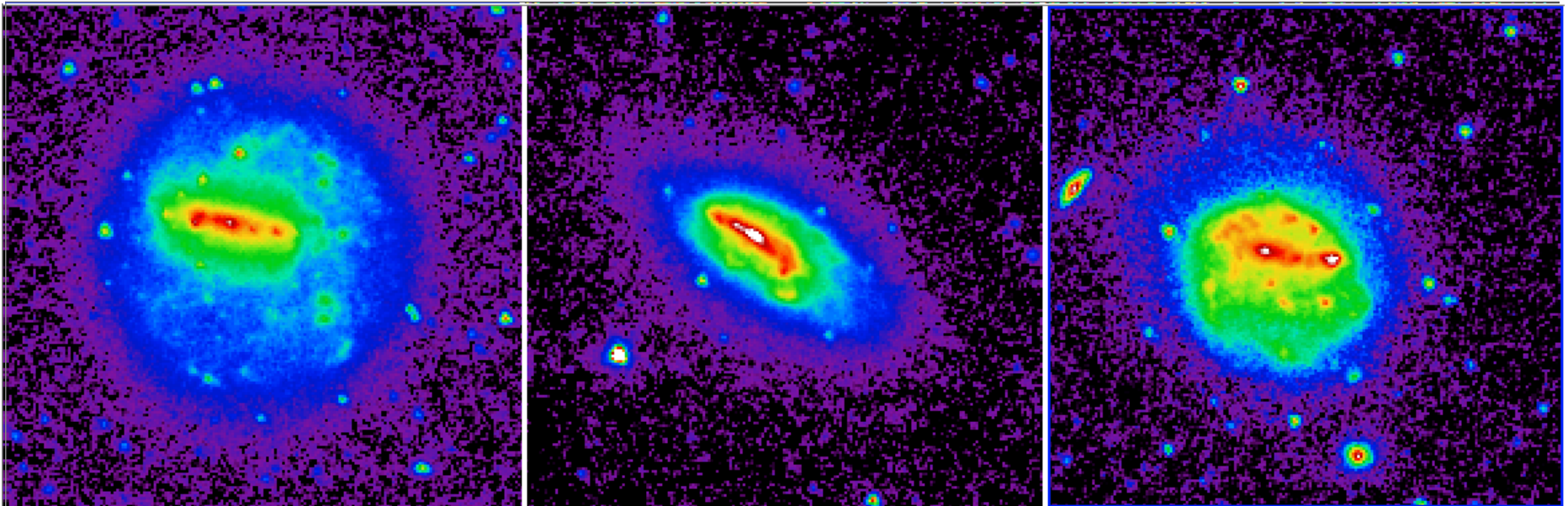
And at least some Magellanic bars are just plain different



What about the LMC bar?

- No evidence of a bar in gas kinematics but we count it as a bar in our bar fraction analysis

S⁴G Offset Bars



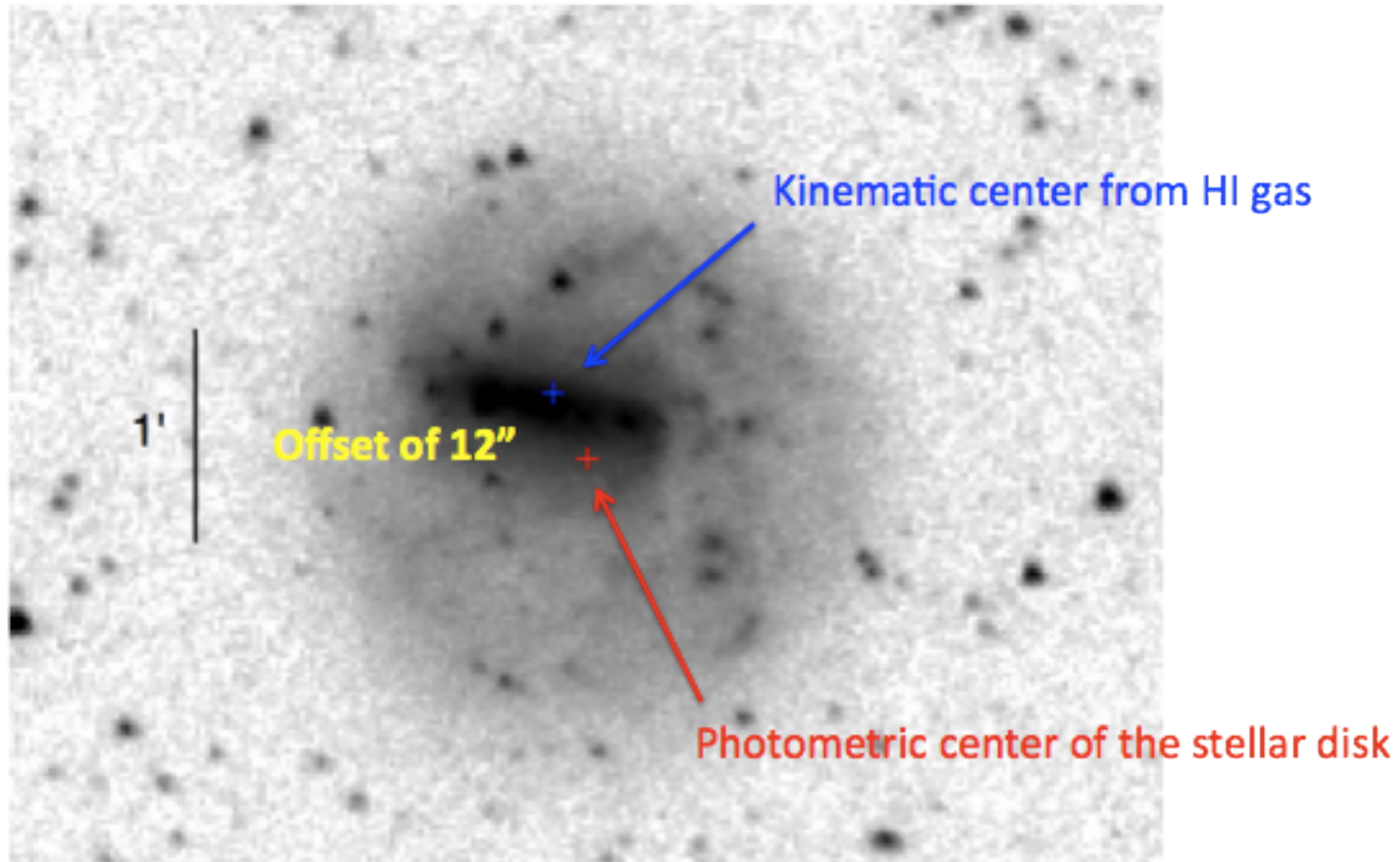
- In our measurement of the S4G Bar fraction we include these offset bars.
- The LMC bar would be considered a bar using the visual and ellipse/pa classification method.
- **I will refer to these as “wine bars” later!**



Off-center Bars

de Swardt, Sheth + S4G et al. 2012

Interaction with DM sub-halos ?



Key Take-Home Points on Bars



- We should be more careful and consistent in defining “bars”
 - Visual classification alone should be viewed with extreme caution especially for late type systems
 - Beware of Galaxy Zoo type studies – ok in some cases but not all (e.g. intermediate bars in the optical or late type bars)
- Bar fraction strongly depends on the sample, the sample size and completeness of data, not to mention classification methodology, bar definition, image quality, rest-frame band, etc.
- Perhaps we should adopt a different nomenclature to avoid confusion with visually classified / Magellanic / offset bars?

“Dive” Bars vs. “Wine” Bars



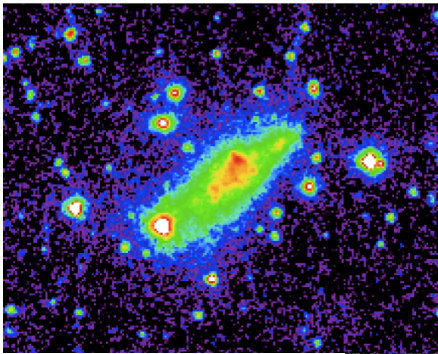
RELEVANT TO
COSMOLOGY STUDIES

The quintessential
theoretical bar (x1)



Probably don't deserve
the label “bars”

Needlessly confusing!

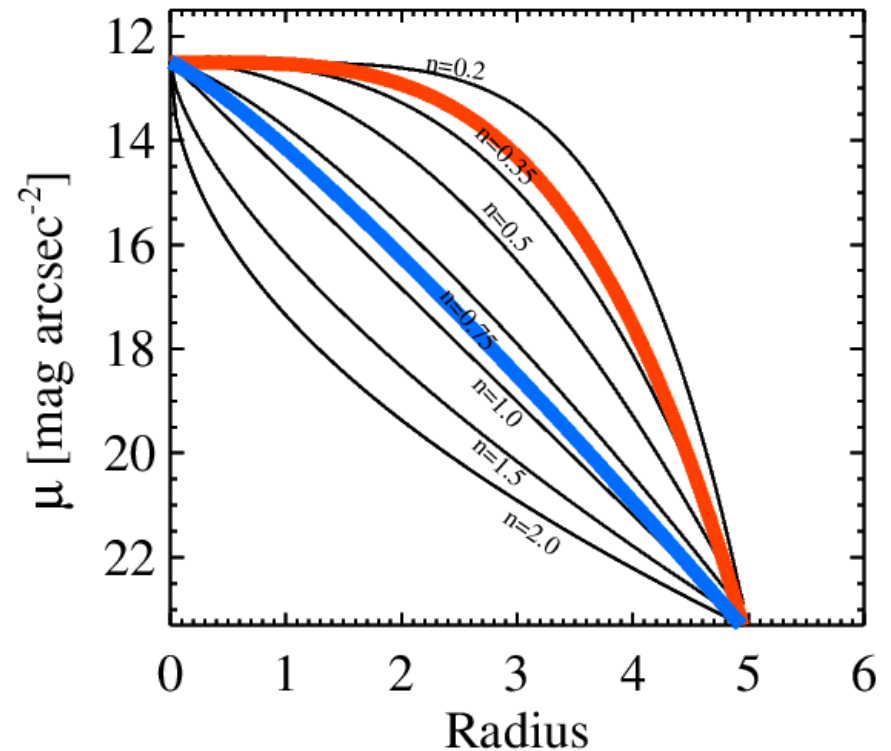
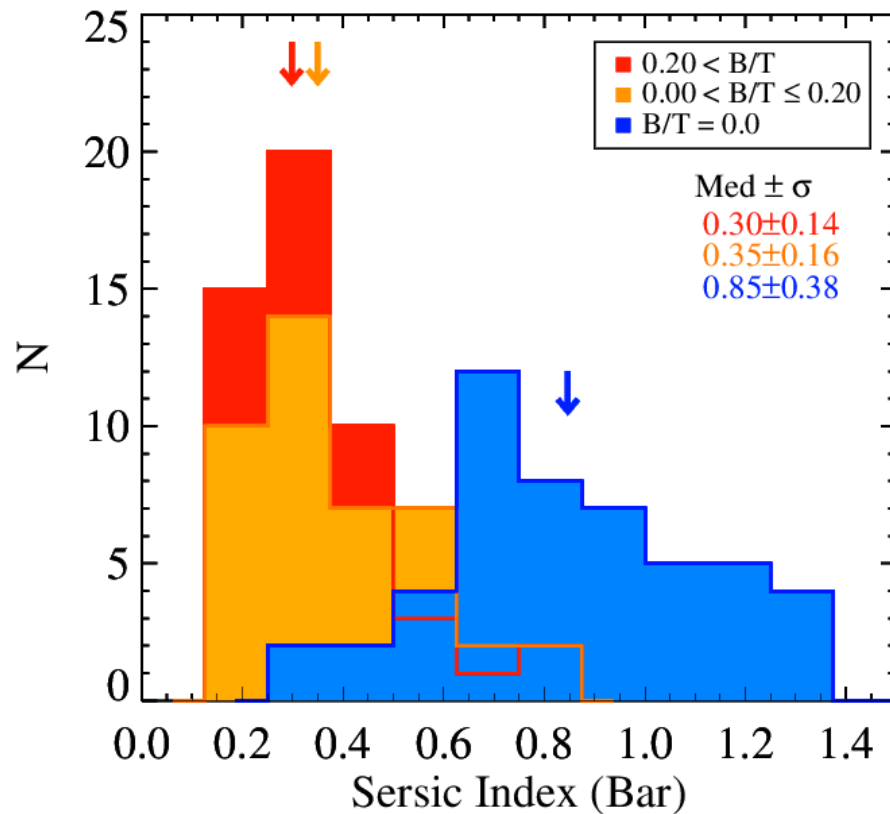




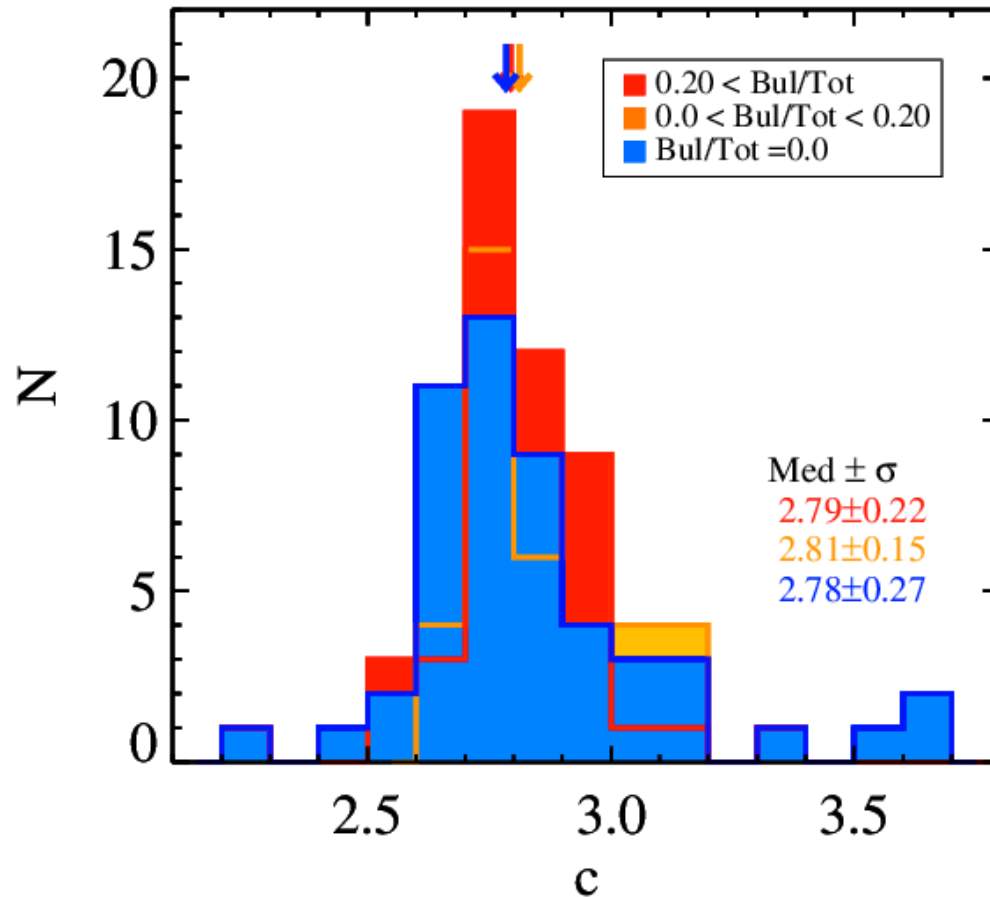
Early vs. Late type bars

--> Taeyhun Kim's thesis (2013 a,b)

Detailed structural decomposition of 144 S⁴G spirals



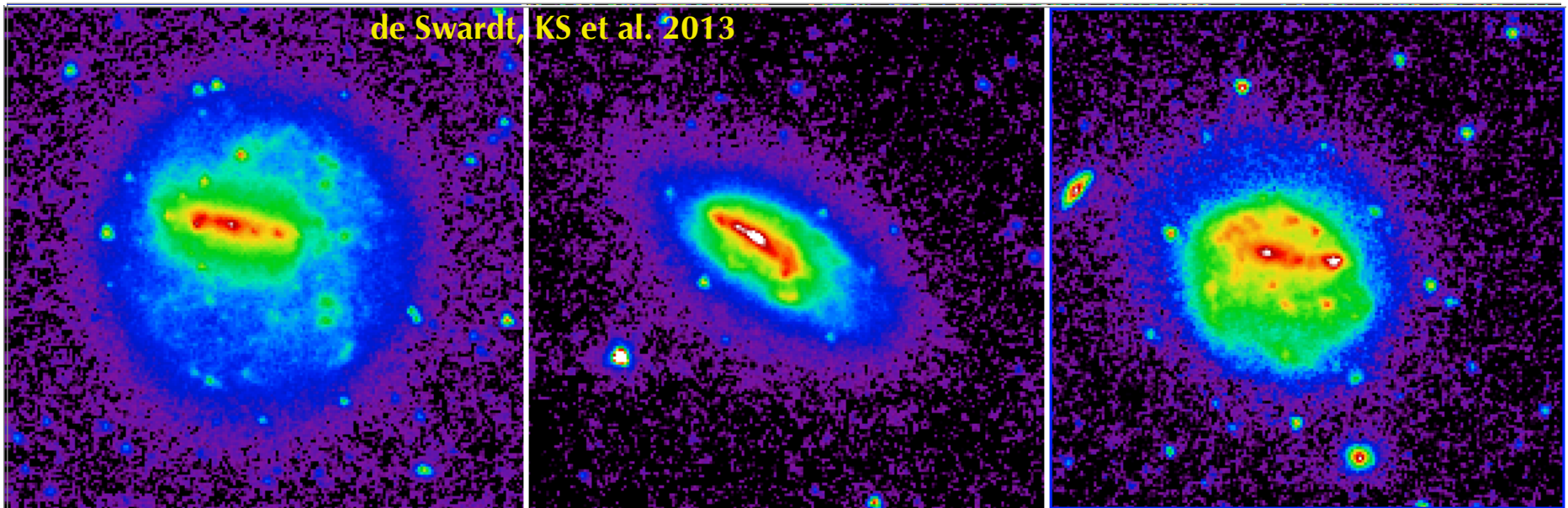
Bars are boxy in shape!



Taeyhun Kim's thesis
(2013 a,b)

- Consistent with the evolutionary history of bars and disks derived from COSMOS, NICMOS, DEEP2, AEGIS and S4.

The Puzzle of Offset Bars



- A very small fraction of galaxies exhibit these offset bars (or disk offsets)
- Ongoing work with *de Swardt, Wilcots, D'onghia, Pardy*. (SALT + VLA)
- **Some in interacting systems but MANY in apparently isolated systems!**
- New, relatively unexplored area - see simulations by Pardy, Athanassoula, Hernquist, Bekki & others..

What we know (and don't know)



- Bar fraction today declines sharply at $\log M < 9.2$
 - consistent with cosmological evolution / high redshift COSMOS work
- “Dive” bars, the cosmologically important ones, all seem to be boxy irrespective of whether the galaxy is early or late!
- Bar structure consistent with theoretical models (x1 orbits) and profiles evolve with time - consistent with theory & COSMOS results
- Greater care and consistency is a must in defining “Bars”
- “Wine” bars are enjoyable but probably different from the “Dive” bars
- Bar fraction is a very loose term and literature shows confusion due to differences introduced by selection effects, sample sizes, sample inhomogeneity, completeness, bar identification criteria
- What are the “wine bars”? Are they an intermediate stage of bar evolution?
- What are the offset bars?
- Is there a ceiling to bar fraction? Why are there unbarred massive, disks?
- What is the structure of bars? Relation to bulges, spirals?
- How do bars influence AGN & star formation activity?
- At what rate does gas flow and accumulate in the center?

THE SPITZER SURVEY OF STELLAR STRUCTURE IN GALAXIES (S⁴G)

contains a treasure trove of beautiful, very deep and uniform mid-infrared data on all kinds of galaxies (edge-ons, lenticulars, bulgeless galaxies, low mass dwarfs)



All data are now publicly available with enhanced data products! (and more coming...)

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