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ABSTRACT

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For galaxy photometry, measuring flux is more difficult than for stars, because galaxies do not all have the same radial surface brightness profile, and have no sharp edges. In order to avoid biases, it is necessary to measure a constant fraction of the total light, independent of the position and distance of the object. To satisfy these requirements, the SDSS has adopted a modified form of the Petrosian (1976) system, measuring galaxy fluxes within a circular aperture whose radius is defined by the shape of the azimuthally averaged light profile.

The Petrosian radius r_p is defined as the radius at which $R_p(r_p) = 0.2$ with:

$$\mathcal{R}_P(r) \equiv \frac{\int_{0.8r}^{1.25r} dr' 2\pi r' I(r') / [\pi(1.25^2 - 0.8^2)r^2]}{\int_0^r dr' 2\pi r' I(r') / (\pi r^2)},$$

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La troisième équation vise à séparer les galaxies des étoiles:

r_{PSF} = magnitude de la partie centrale à l'intérieur de la PSF (point spread function)

r_{model} = magnitude obtenue en ajustant le profil de brillance de la galaxie avec un profil de de Vaucouleurs (pour le bulbe) et un profil exponentiel (pour le disque)

On exige que les objets soient au moins 0.3 magnitudes plus brillants que des sources ponctuelles

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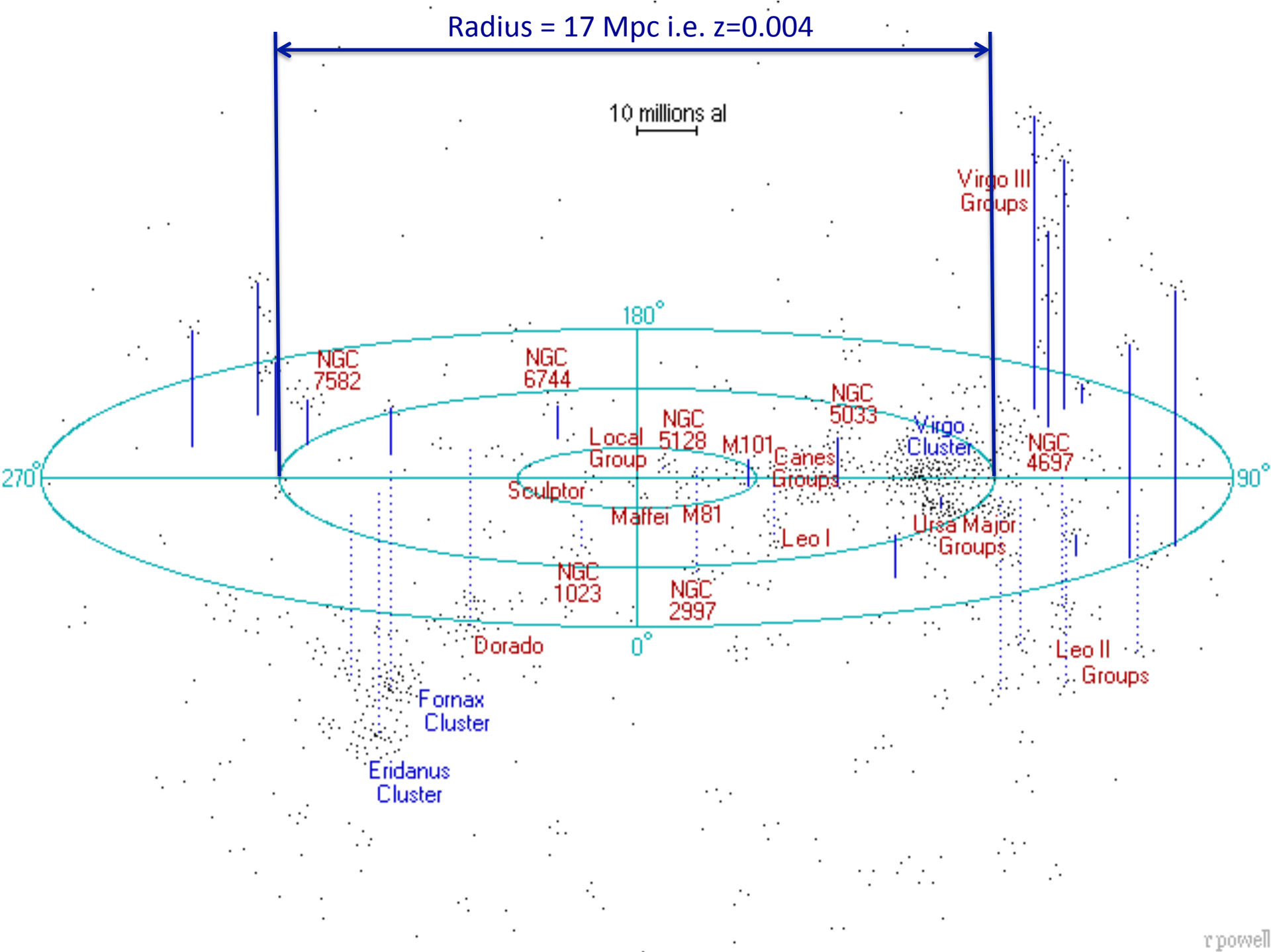
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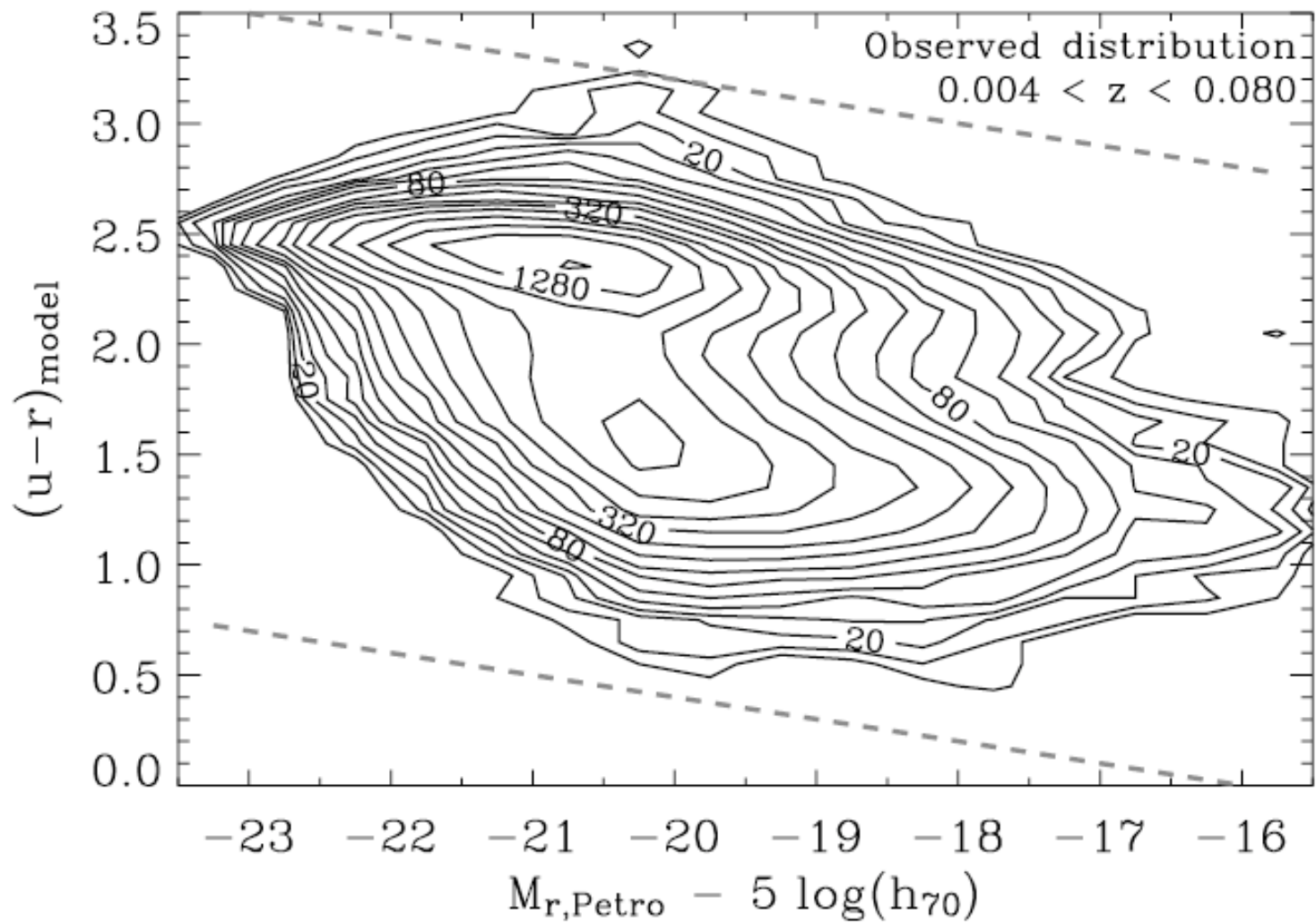
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FIG. 1.—Observed bivariate distribution of the sample in rest-frame color vs. absolute magnitude. The contours are determined for galaxy number counts in $0.1 \text{ color} \times 0.5 \text{ mag}$ bins (with a total of 66,846 galaxies). The contour levels are on a logarithmic scale, starting at 10 and doubling every two contours. The dashed lines represent the limits used in the double-Gaussian fitting described in § 4.

3.1. *Correcting for Incompleteness*

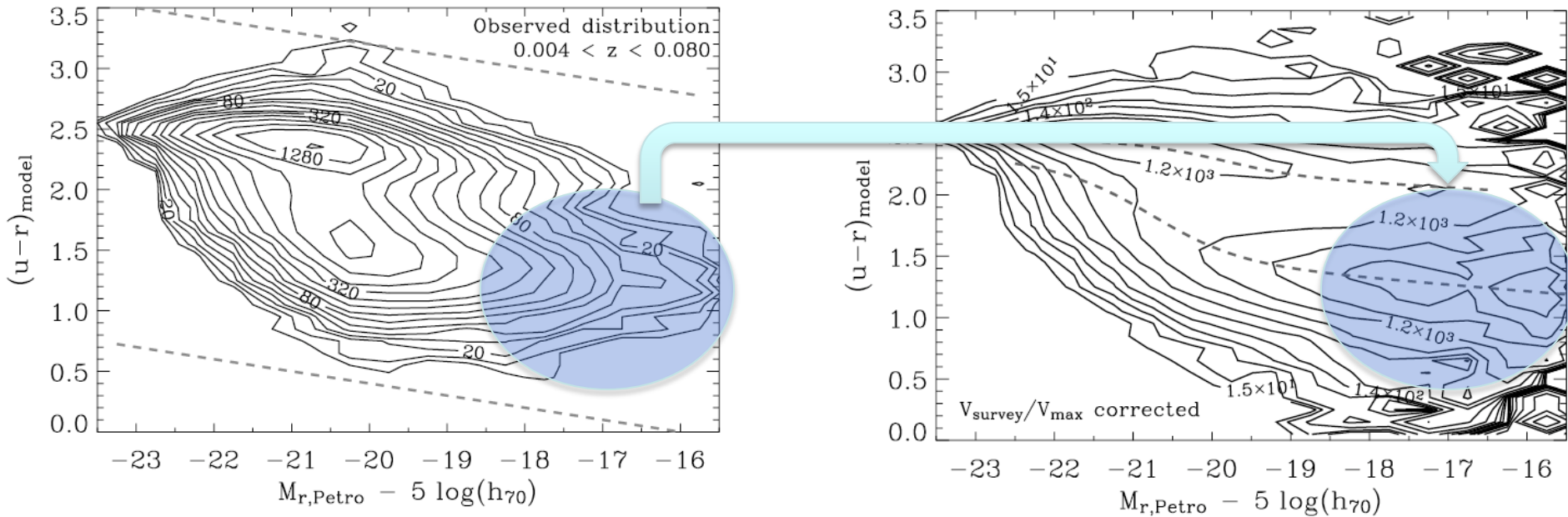
Before the distribution is analyzed, there are two significant incompleteness issues to deal with:⁹ (1) galaxies of a given absolute magnitude and spectral type can be observed only within a certain redshift range, which in some cases is much less than the redshift range of the sample, and (2) some galaxies are not observed because of fiber collisions.

To correct for the first issue, we weight each galaxy by a $V_{\text{survey}}/V_{\text{max}}$ factor before recomputing the bivariate distribution, where V_{max} is the maximum volume over which the galaxy could be observed within the sample redshift range ($0.004 < z < 0.08$, $V_{\text{survey}} = 9.3 \times 10^6 \text{ Mpc}^3$). We calculate V_{max} by iterating to a solution for the k -correction at z_{min} and z_{max} . The factor, $V_{\text{survey}}/V_{\text{max}}$, varies from about 1.4 for the brightest galaxies (set by $r > 13.5$), down to 1.01 at $M_r \approx -21$, up to 450/650 for the faintest galaxies (set by $r < 17.5/17.77$).

($V_{\text{survey}}/V_{\text{max}} \lesssim 1.2$). Note also that this correction factor is principally a function of M_r , with little dependence on color at these low redshifts (r -selected sample), which means that this correction is important for the determination of the luminosity functions but *not* for the CM relations.

Après correction de complétude

le nombre des galaxies
les moins brillantes était artificiellement sous-estimé



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r = magnitude apparente

$5 \log(D_L/10\text{pc})$ = module de distance pour passer en magnitude absolue

k_r = correction-k sur la magnitude r pour ramener la magnitude à la longueur d'onde au repos

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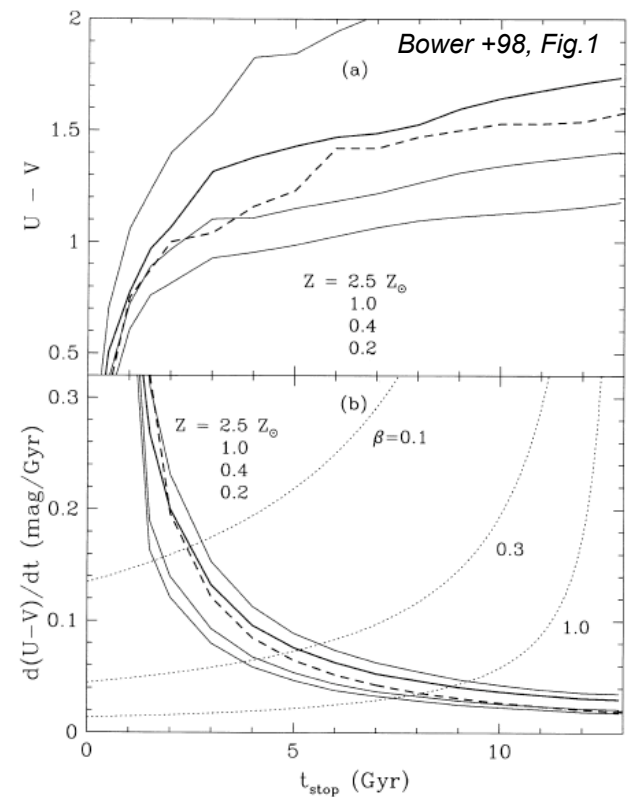
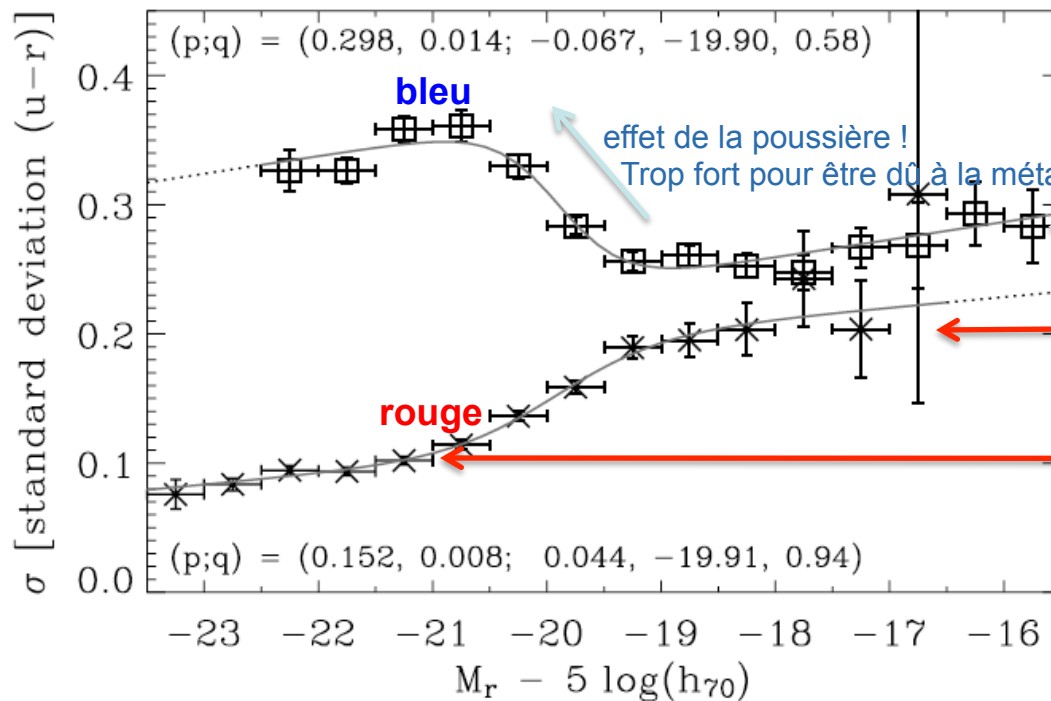
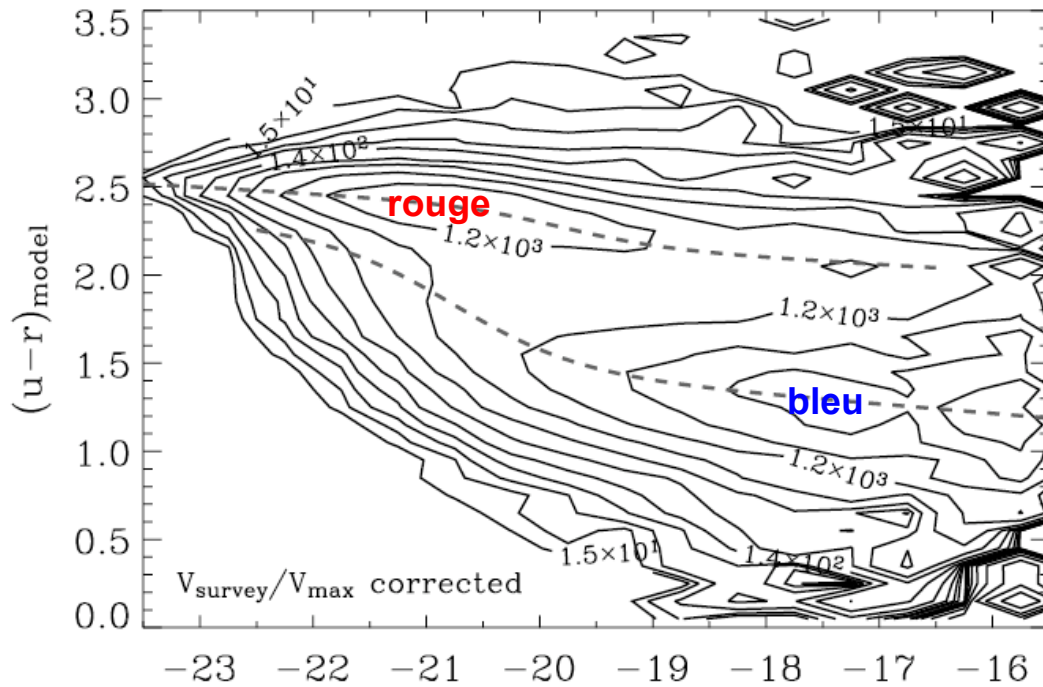
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$$\log (\mathcal{M} / L_r) = a + b C_{ur}, \quad (12)$$

La conversion de la luminosité en bande r , L_r , en masse d'étoiles dépend du type d'étoiles. La couleur $u-r$ permet d'avoir une idée approximative de la population stellaire dominante et donc du rapport M/L_r à appliquer pour déduire la masse stellaire des galaxies



Plus grande dispersion
car $\neq$ d'âges des populations stellaires

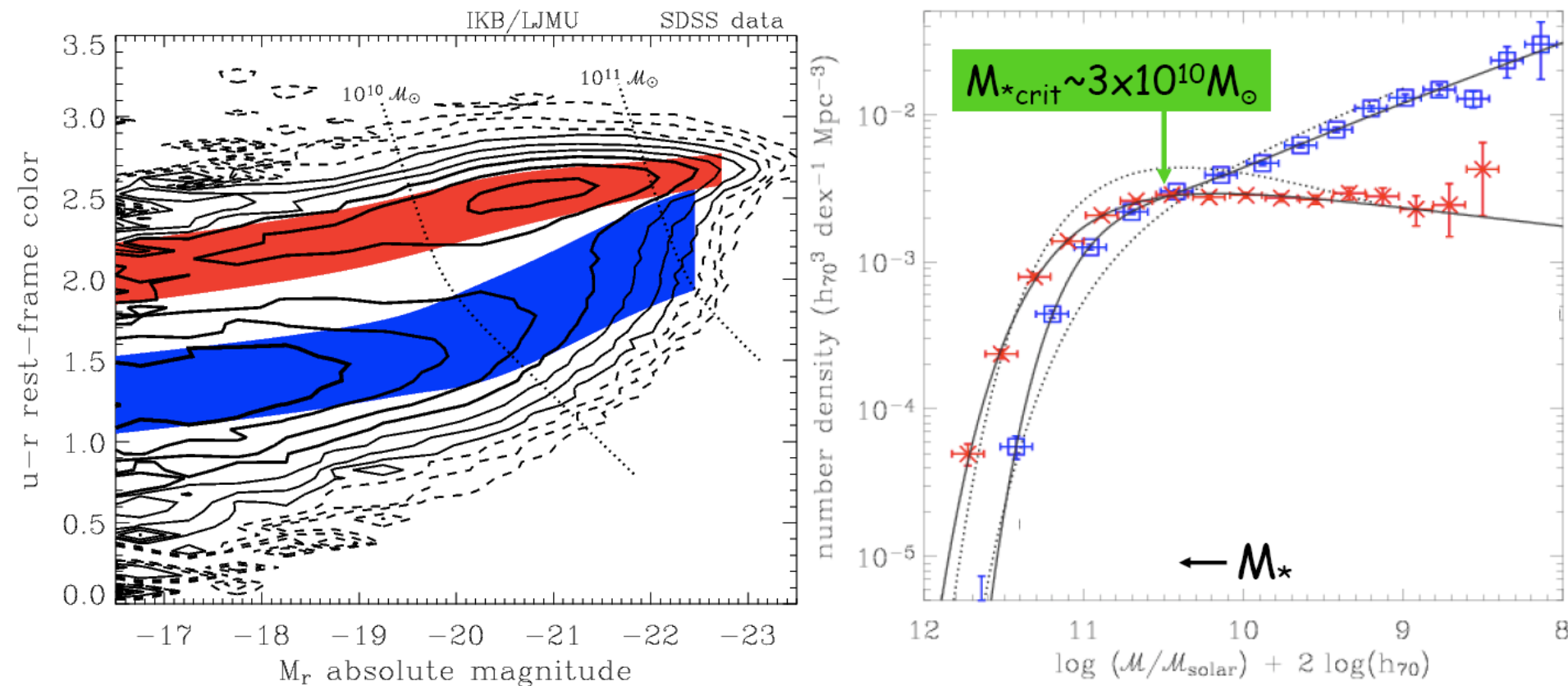
Forte dispersion car pollution par étoiles jeunes,
les gals E moins massives ont eu de la formation
stellaire récente

Faible dispersion : pas d'effet d'âges des
populations stellaires, mais rougissement dû à plus
grande métallicité des galaxies + lumineuses (OK
avec faible pente)

Les galaxies B au plus fort taux de formation d'étoiles
(les + lumineuses) sont les plus affectées par l'extinction.
Normal ? Oui... Car densité plus grande !

La bimodalité des galaxies

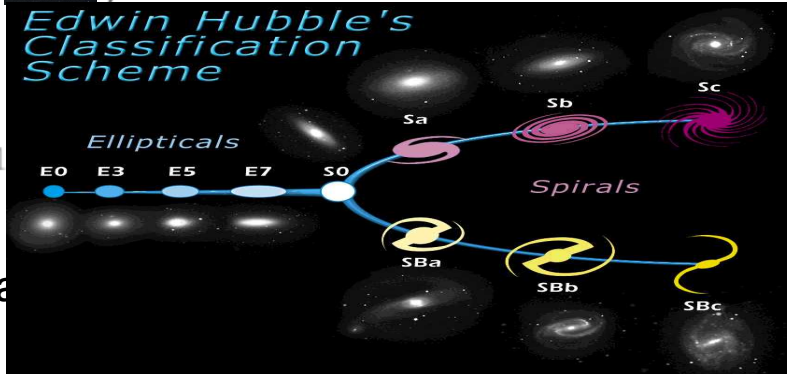
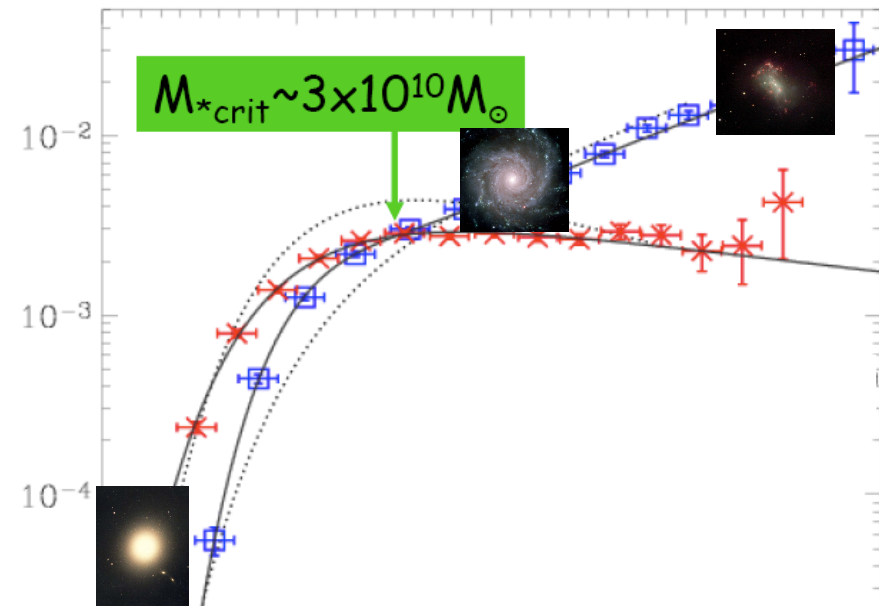
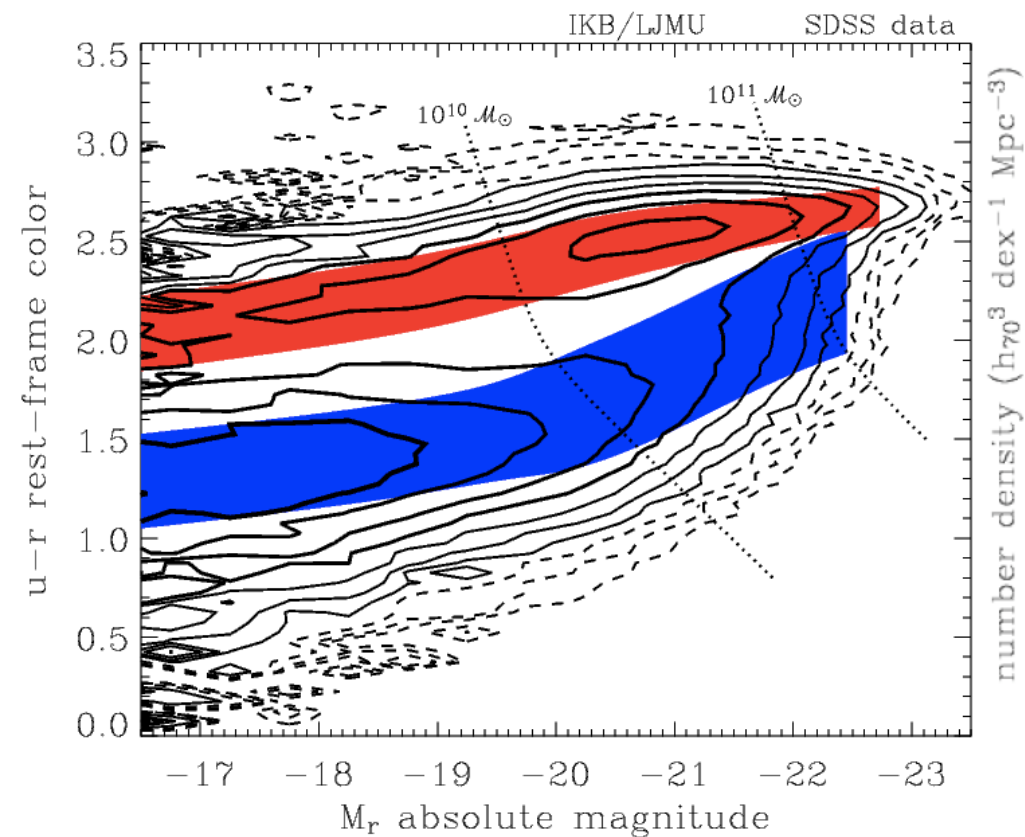
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1. Contexte & question centrale

question centrale:

classer les galaxies en catégories et en déduire leur histoire passée

- *contexte:*

- bimodalité dans la relation couleur - magnitude entre spirales et elliptiques connue avant, mais séparation en types morphologiques (ou Hdelta, D4000) et utilisation de magnitudes apparentes.
- les galaxies rouges sont dans les régions les plus denses en galaxies -> suggère un lien avec leur histoire
- la masse des galaxies rouges a augmenté de $z=1$ à aujourd'hui, donc elles ne résultent pas d'une formation très tôt, mais ont dû fusionner (dry mergers, Bell +03)

2. Apport de l'étude, nouveauté lum intrinsèques pour gd nb de gals

- observations
- modélisation/théorie
- les deux ?

- Avec les grands relevés spectroscopiques, il est devenu possible d'établir une relation couleur - magnitude absolue.
- SDSS: magnitudes et redshifts à $z < 0.1$ (univers local) pour 66 846 galaxies.

3. Résultat principal

- Nette séparation en luminosité absolue des galaxies rouges et bleues
- Coupure à $2-3 \times 10^{10} \text{ Msol}$
- Explication proposée : fusions majeures

4. Limites de l'étude

- effets d'ouverture, d'extinction
- interprétation fusions majeures suppose que la formation d'étoiles s'arrête ensuite : mergers = killers... Pas démontré.
- comment expliquer l'absence de galaxies « vertes » ? (green valley)
- si les galaxies massives sont rouges aujourd'hui, cela peut être parce qu'elles étaient bleues dans le passé et non pas uniquement par mergers.

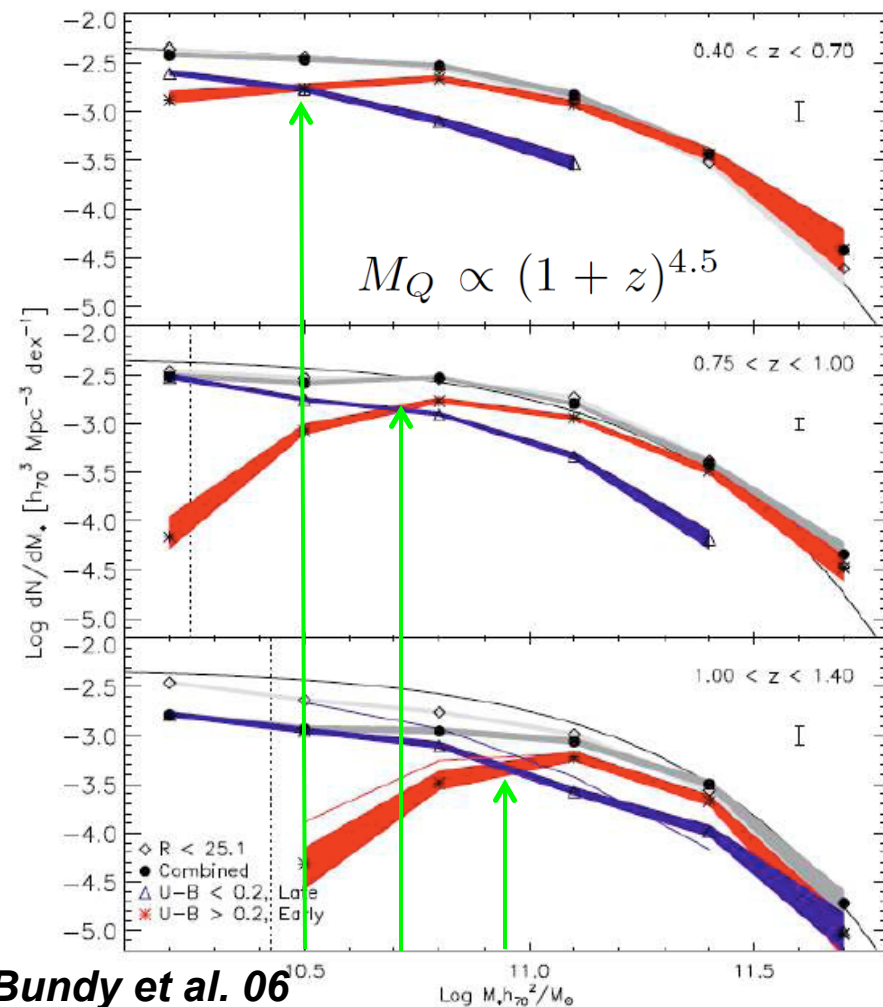
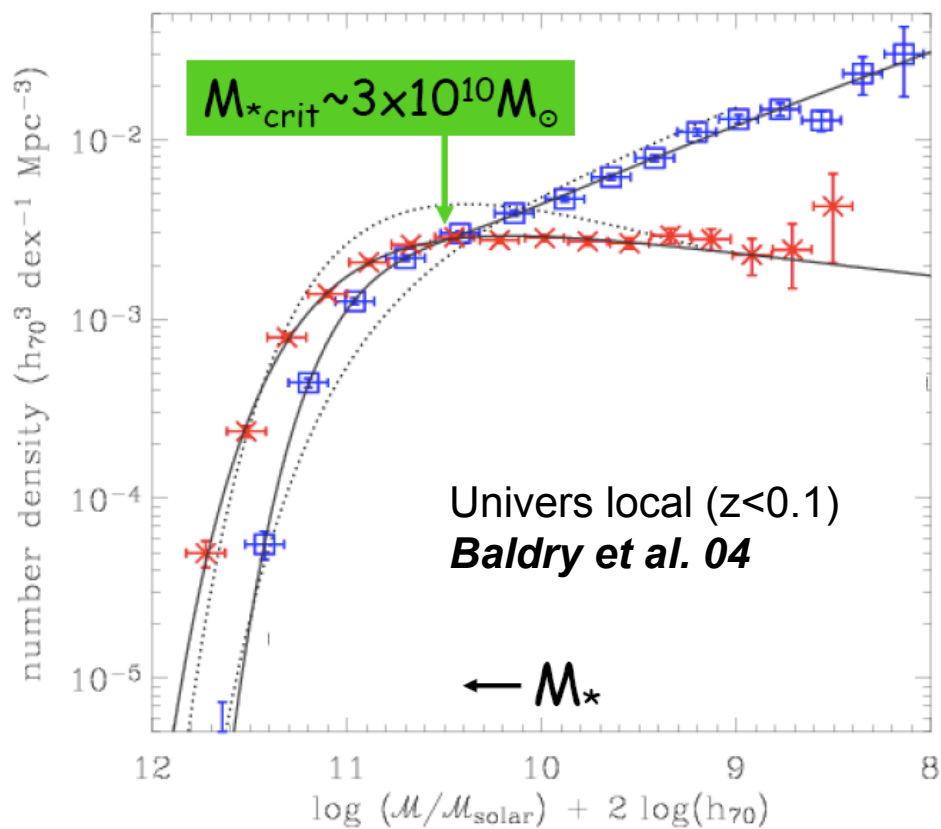
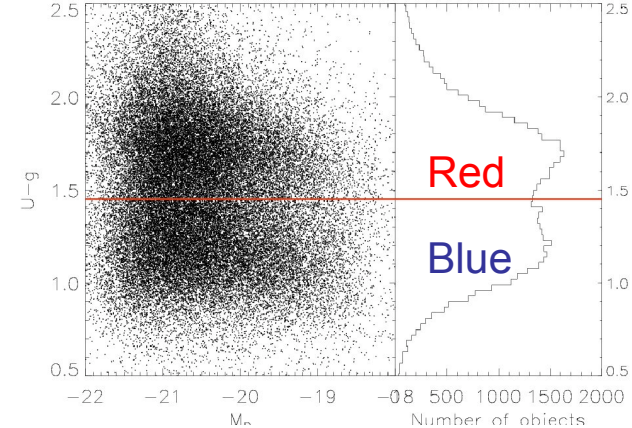
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→ nouvelle problématique, nouvelles observations requises, adapter les modèles

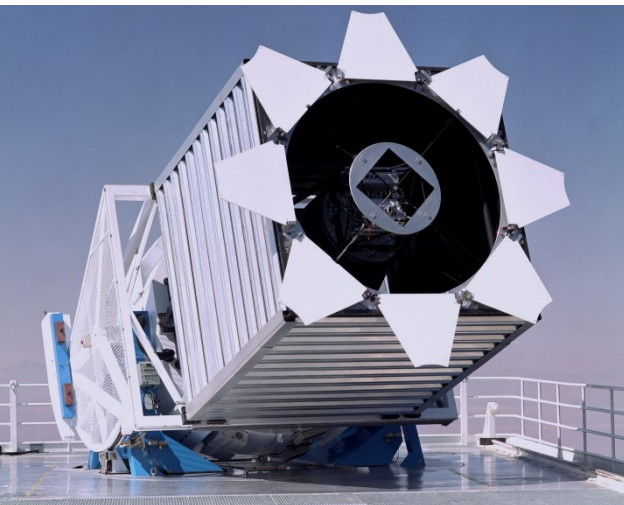
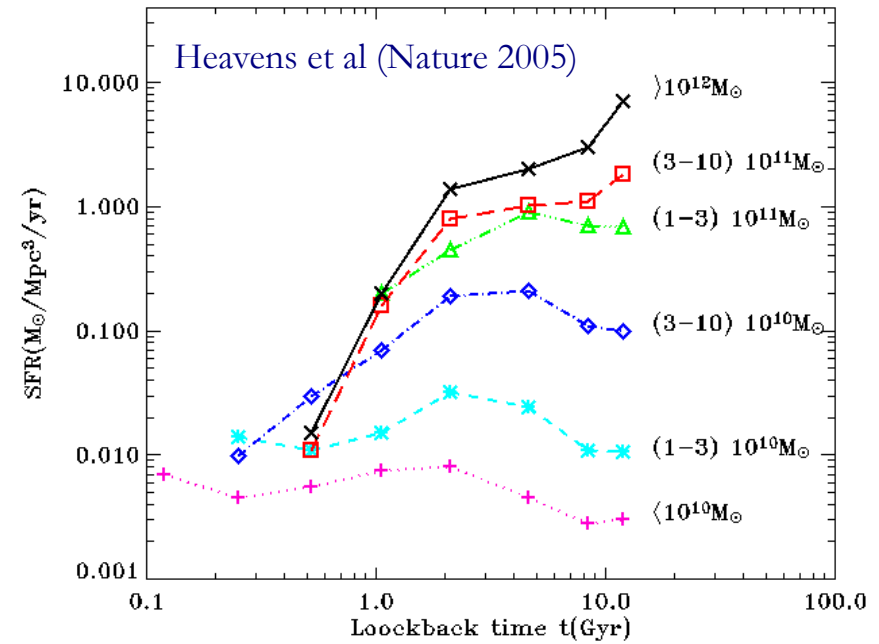
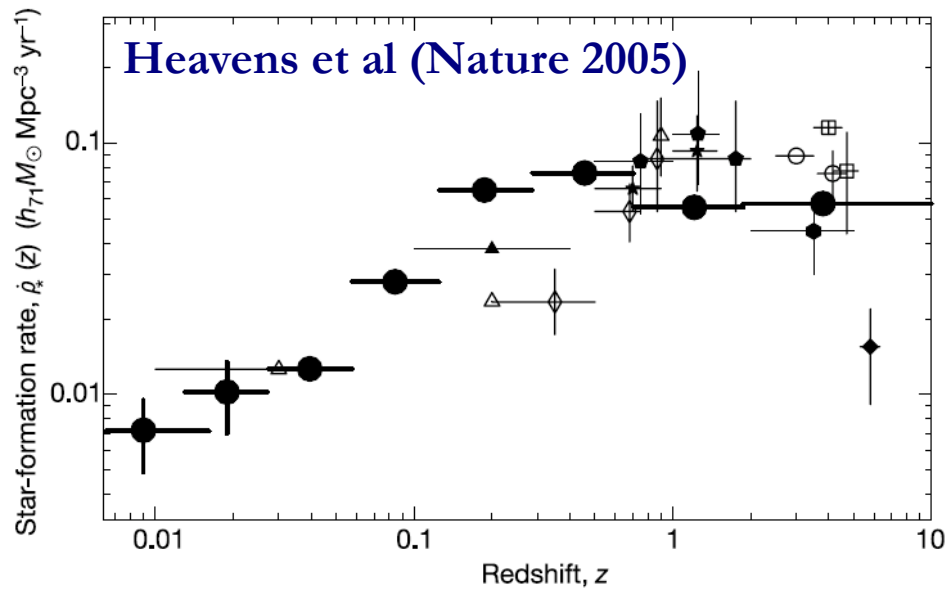
- prendre en compte l'extinction par la poussière et la corriger
- utiliser le taux de formation d'étoiles comme critère de séparation
- évolution de la bimodalité avec le redshift pour remonter à son origine
- effets d'environnement : voir comment ces propriétés varient avec l'environnement.

Galaxy bimodality and downsizing

M_Q = mass above which star formation is quenched



"Downsizing"



SDSS 2.5 m telescope (New Mexico)

Classification spectro-morphologique des galaxies

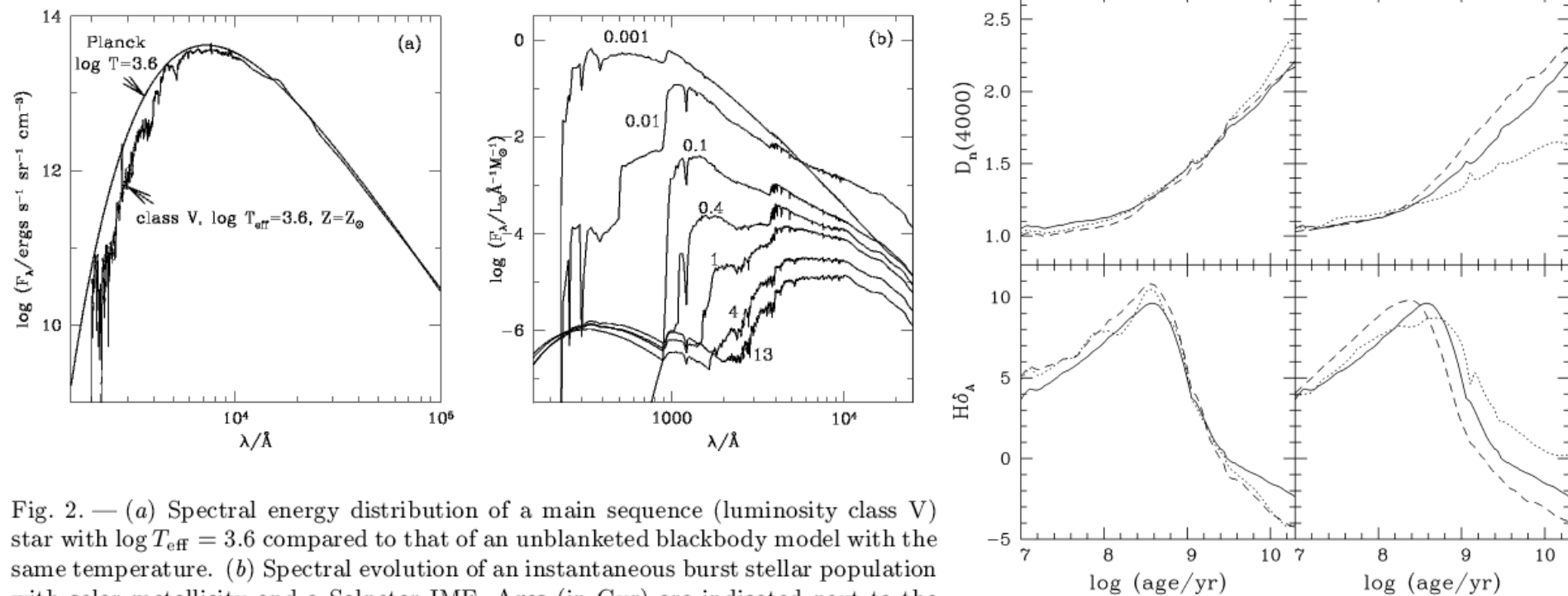
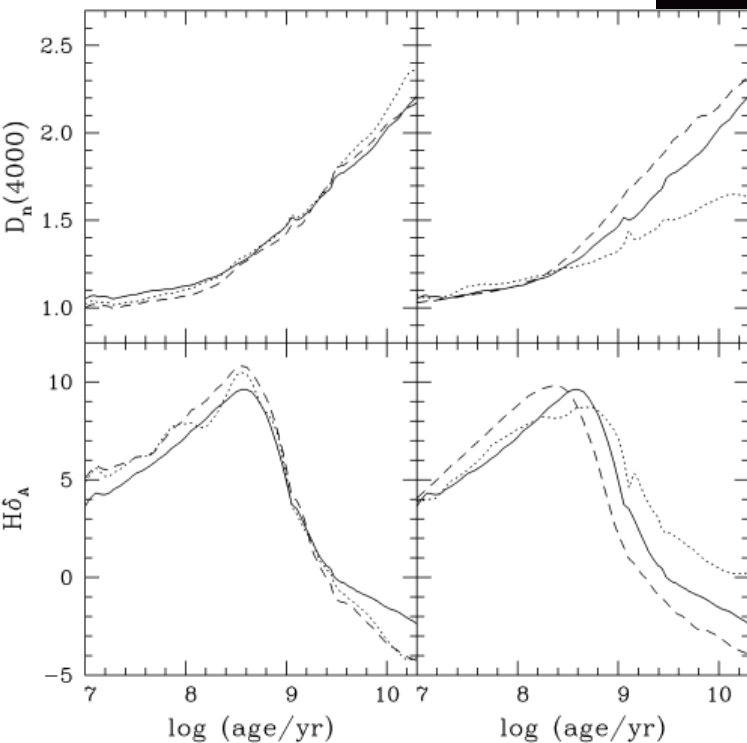
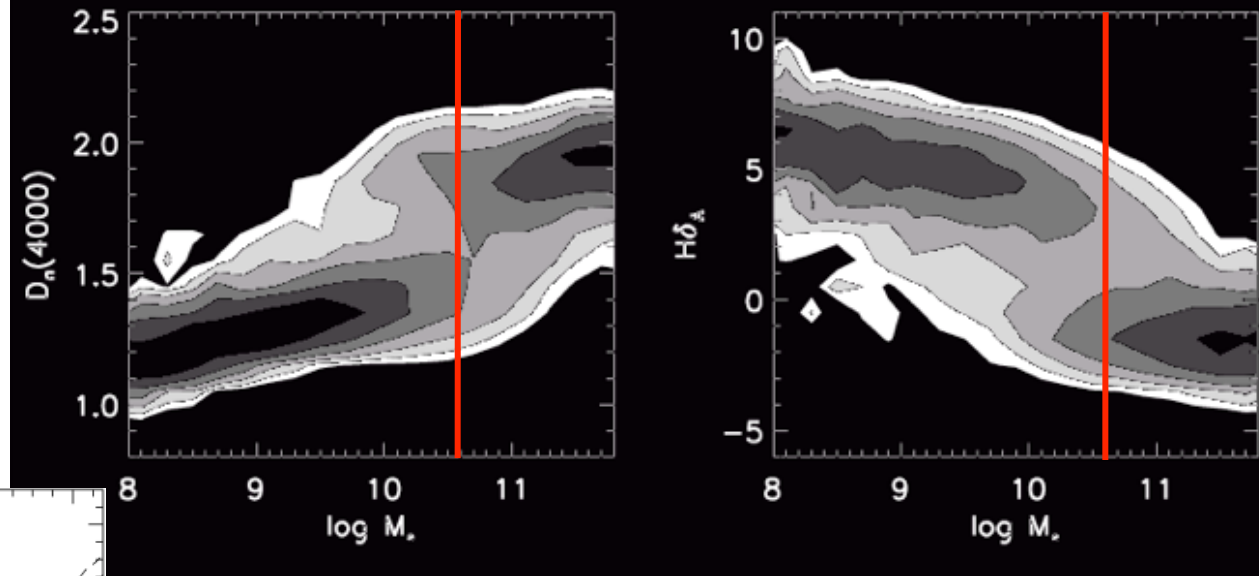


Fig. 2. — (a) Spectral energy distribution of a main sequence (luminosity class V) star with $\log T_{\text{eff}} = 3.6$ compared to that of an unblanketed blackbody model with the same temperature. (b) Spectral evolution of an instantaneous burst stellar population with solar metallicity and a Salpeter IMF. Ages (in Gyr) are indicated next to the spectra.

La bimodalité dans les populations de galaxies (Kauffmann et al. 2003)

SDSS : $10^4 \text{ }^{\circ 2}$, Hém.Nord
ugriz, 10^6 spectres
 $r < 17.77$
(Sloan Digital Sky Survey)



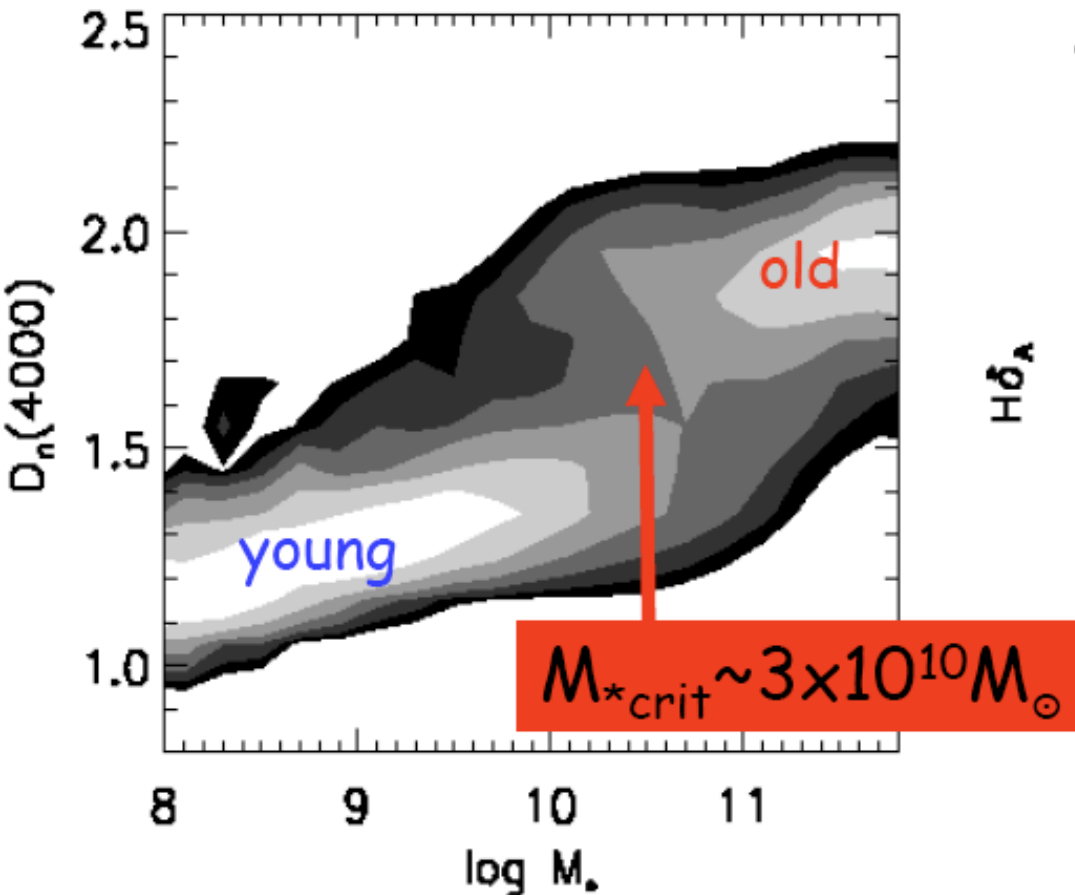
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-rouges, de type précoce, peu ou pas de SF
= aussi les plus massives

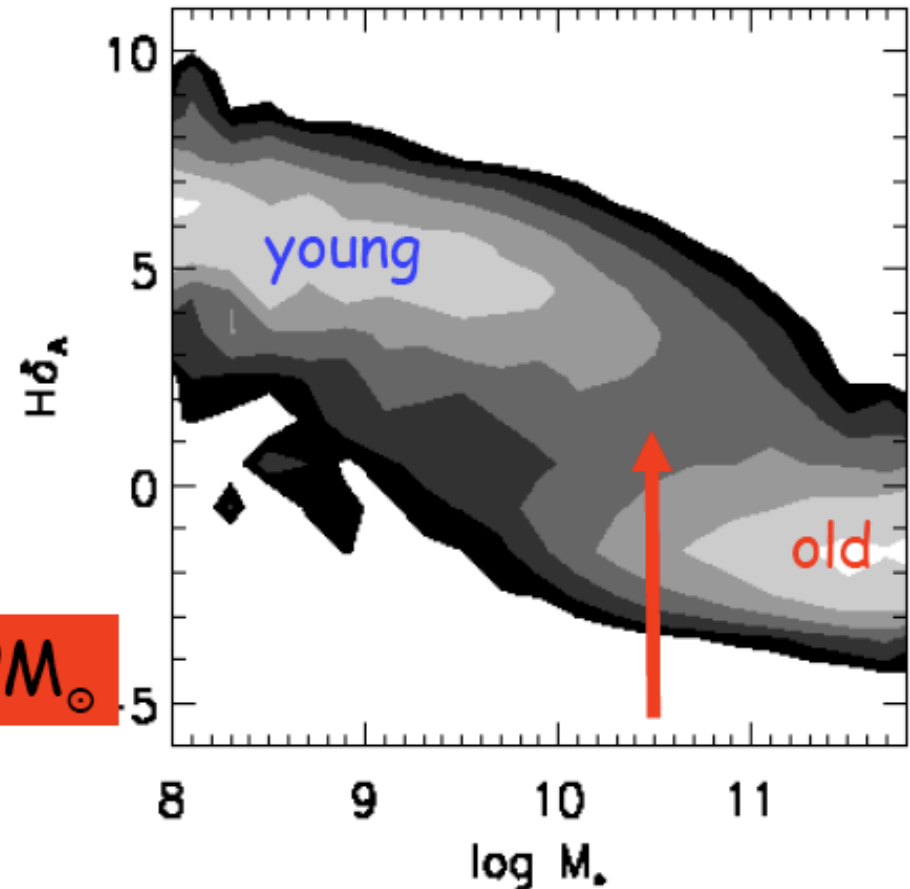
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Discontinuité à 4000 Angstroms

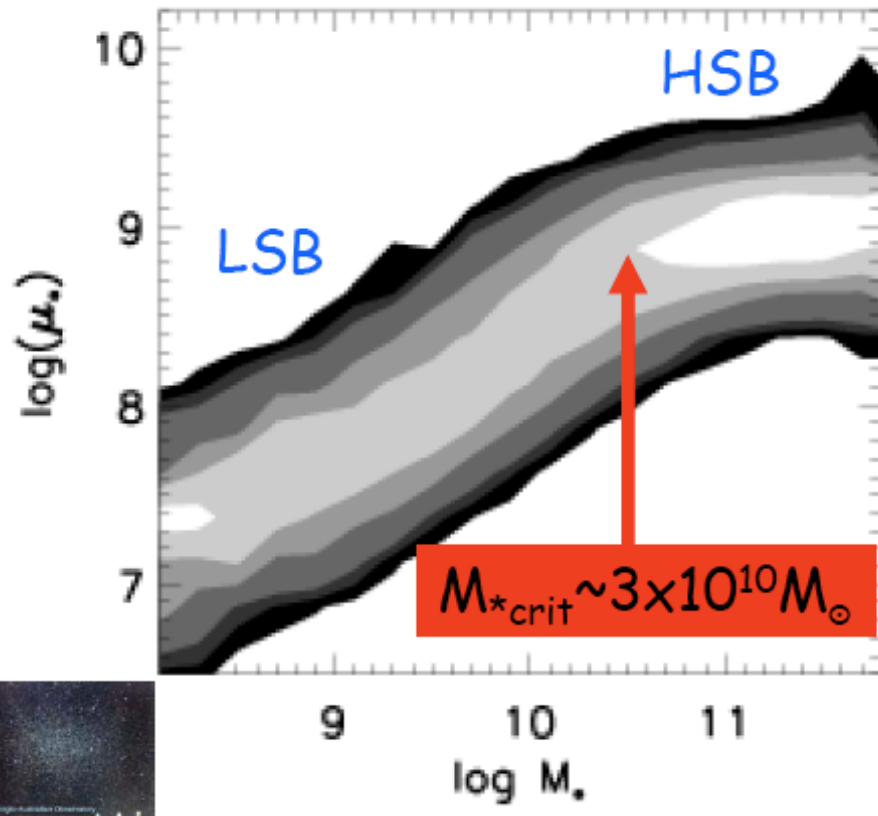


Raie nébulaire en absorption, H δ

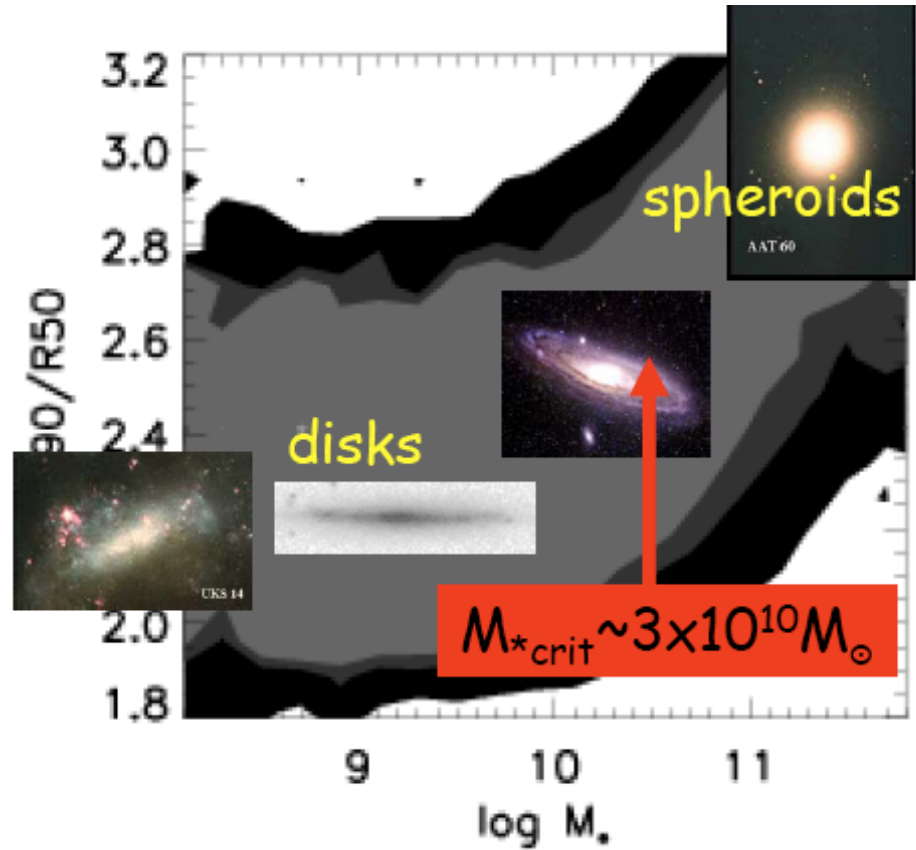


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Brillance de surface



Bulbe/disque



Bimodalité

La morphologie et la couleur sont deux manières d'identifier les galaxies en lien avec leur histoire. Il est apparu que les galaxies étaient divisées en deux grandes familles: les galaxies rouges et les galaxies bleues. Une division qui se rapproche de la division en galaxies de type **précoce (rouges)** et **tardif (bleues)**, avec une interprétation différente de celle de Hubble: les galaxies précoces (early-type galaxies) sont celles qui ont formé leurs étoiles tôt dans l'histoire de l'univers et qui sont aujourd'hui constituées d'étoiles froides et rouges. Les galaxies de type "tardif" (late-type galaxies) continuent de former des étoiles et leurs étoiles jeunes et massives sont responsables de leur couleur bleue. On parle de **bimodalité** des galaxies et on a constaté que ces deux familles pouvaient être distinguées aussi par leurs caractéristiques spectrales: discontinuité à 4000 Å, raies d'absorption de Balmer (H δ ,...).

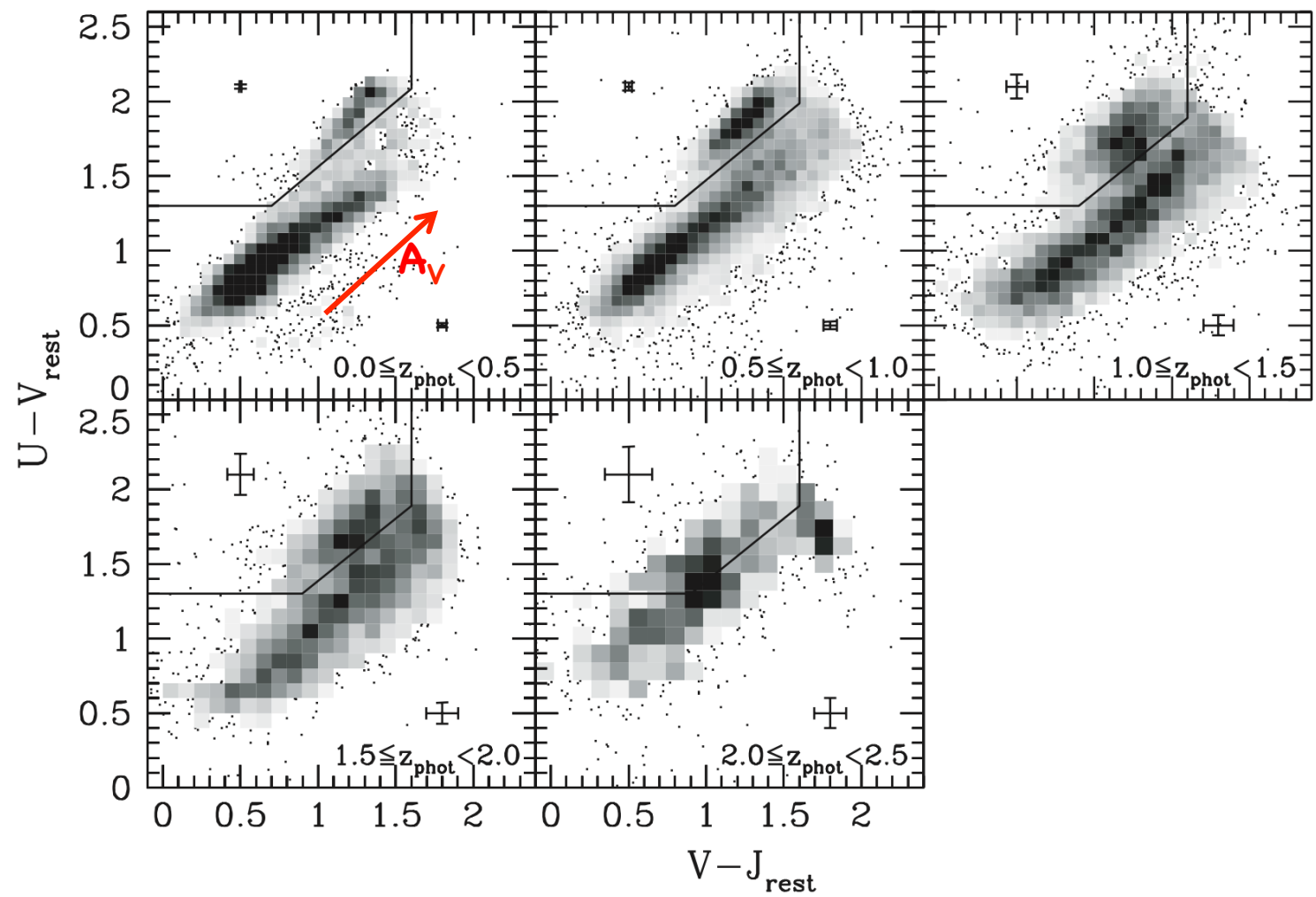
Dans les deux cas, ségrégation morphologique & bimodalité, on mesure la signature a posteriori de l'histoire des galaxies.

Problème: la séparation discontinue entre galaxies bleues et rouges avec une masse critique... Quelle origine physique ?

Une troisième signature est utilisée: la *relation activité - densité*; la mesure directe du *taux de formation d'étoiles instantané* des galaxies et son lien avec l'environnement.

DETECTION OF QUIESCENT GALAXIES IN A BICOLOR SEQUENCE FROM $Z = 0-2^*$

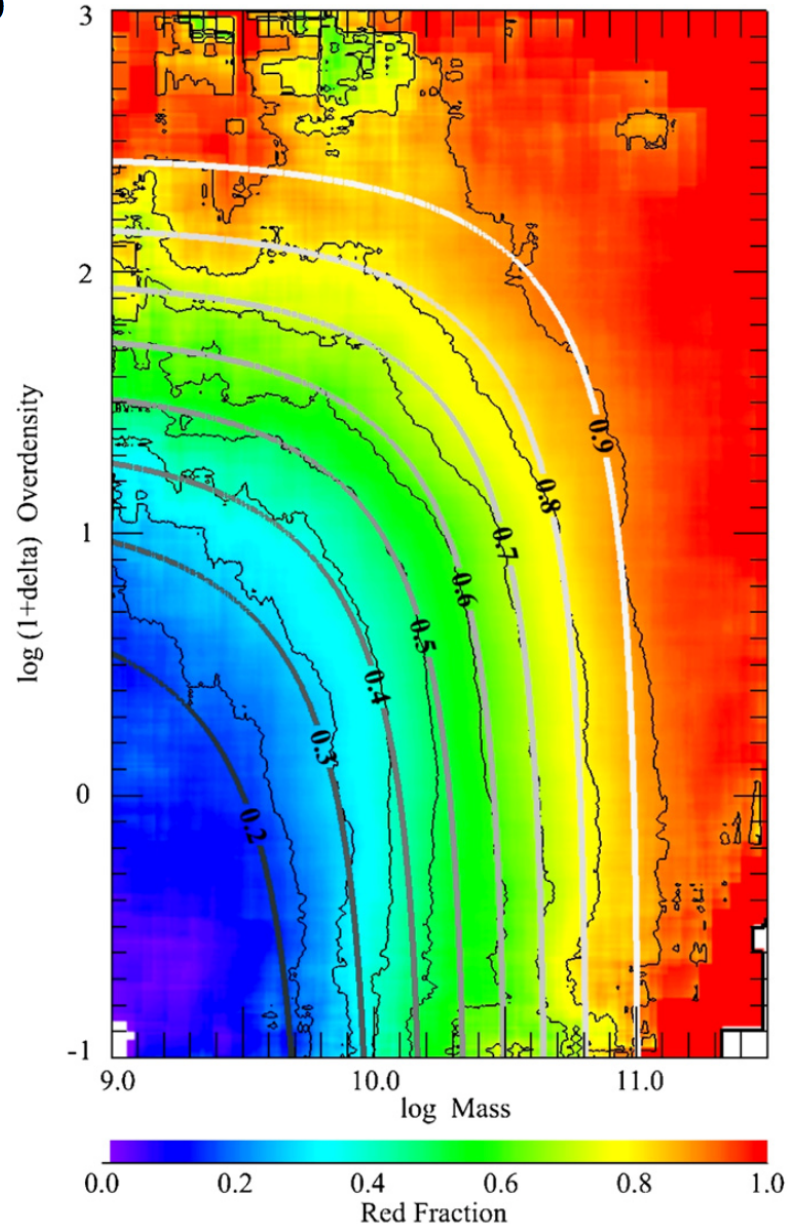
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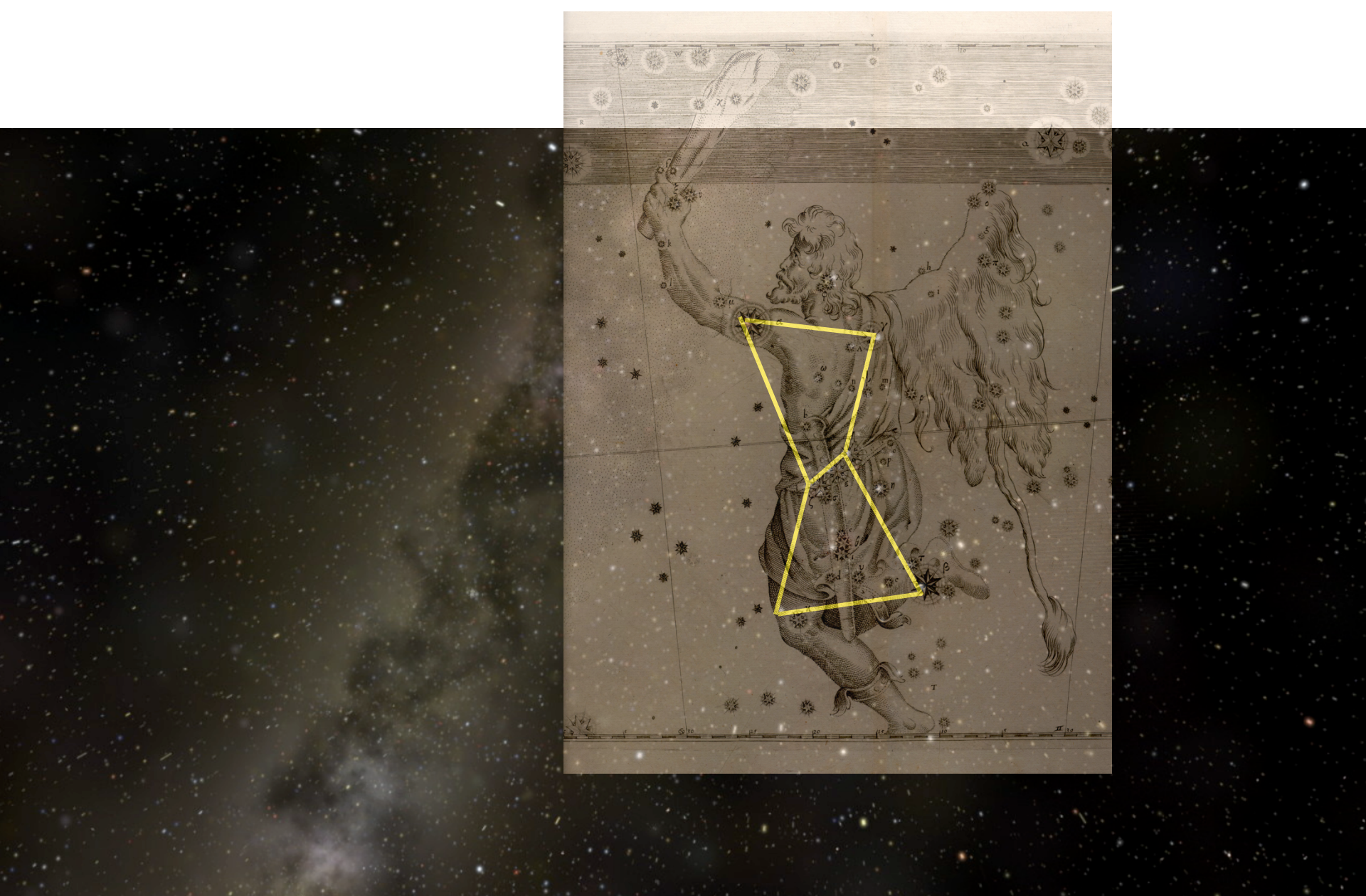


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