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Spatially resolved stellar populations of nearby galaxies: the overall age bimodality and the subtle nature of gradients in ETGs



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SPATIALLY RESOLVED STELLAR POPULATIONS

WHAT FOR?

- Scaling relations exist involving global/average galaxy properties
- Bimodalities exist in global/average galaxy properties

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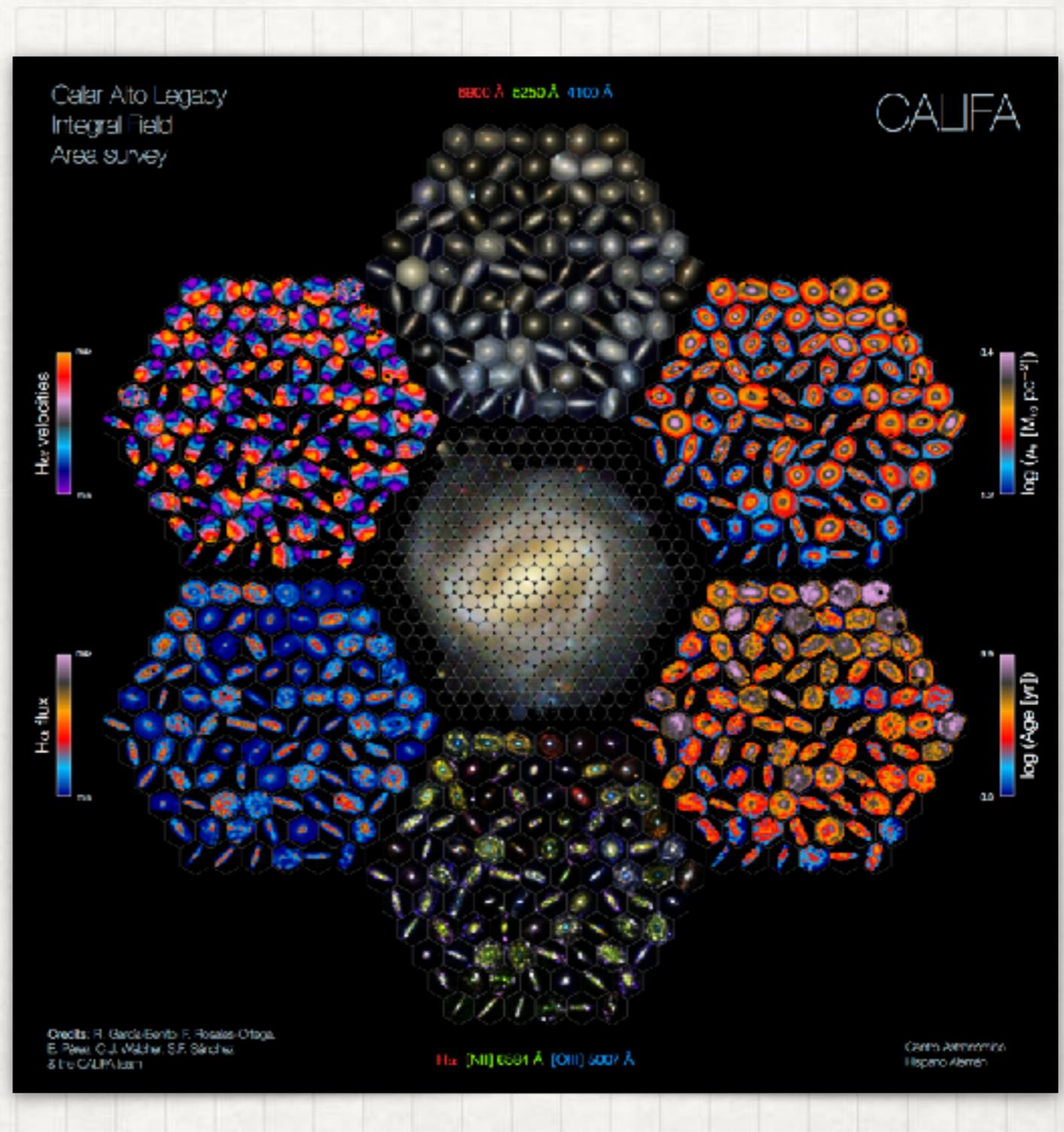
- Galaxies are hardly homogeneously mixed systems
 - gradients in various (stellar population) properties exist, which retain, to different extents, memory of the local physical conditions in which e.g. stars were born or accreted
 - the youngest populations don't even have time to "talk" to the entire galaxy!
- How are global and local properties related? What causes what? (i.e. "which came first: the chicken or the egg?") Through which physical mechanisms?

SPATIALLY RESOLVED STELLAR POPULATIONS IN NEARBY GALAXIES

CALIFA, the Calar Alto Legacy Integral Field Survey

Sanchez+2012,2016 (DR3), Walcher+2014 - [HTTP://CALIFA.CAHA.ES](http://CALIFA.CAHA.ES)

- Integral field spectroscopic optical survey at PMAS-PPAK on CAHA 3.5m:
 - two spectral setups:
 - V500 [4240-7140Å] 6Å FWHM
 - V1200 [3650-4620Å] 2.3Å FWHM
- Diameter selected sample of ~600 nearby galaxies ($0.005 < z < 0.03$), all morphologies, full coverage of the color-mag plane
 - typical coverage out to $> \sim 2 R_{\text{eff}}$
 - resolution ~ 1 kpc
- Stellar continuum, main optical emission line
- **Statistical representation of local Universe at $\log(M^*/M_{\odot}) > 9.7$** (Vmax volume correction) — representativeness drops at $\log(M^*/M_{\odot}) > 11.4$
- Complemented by SDSS imaging (by selection)

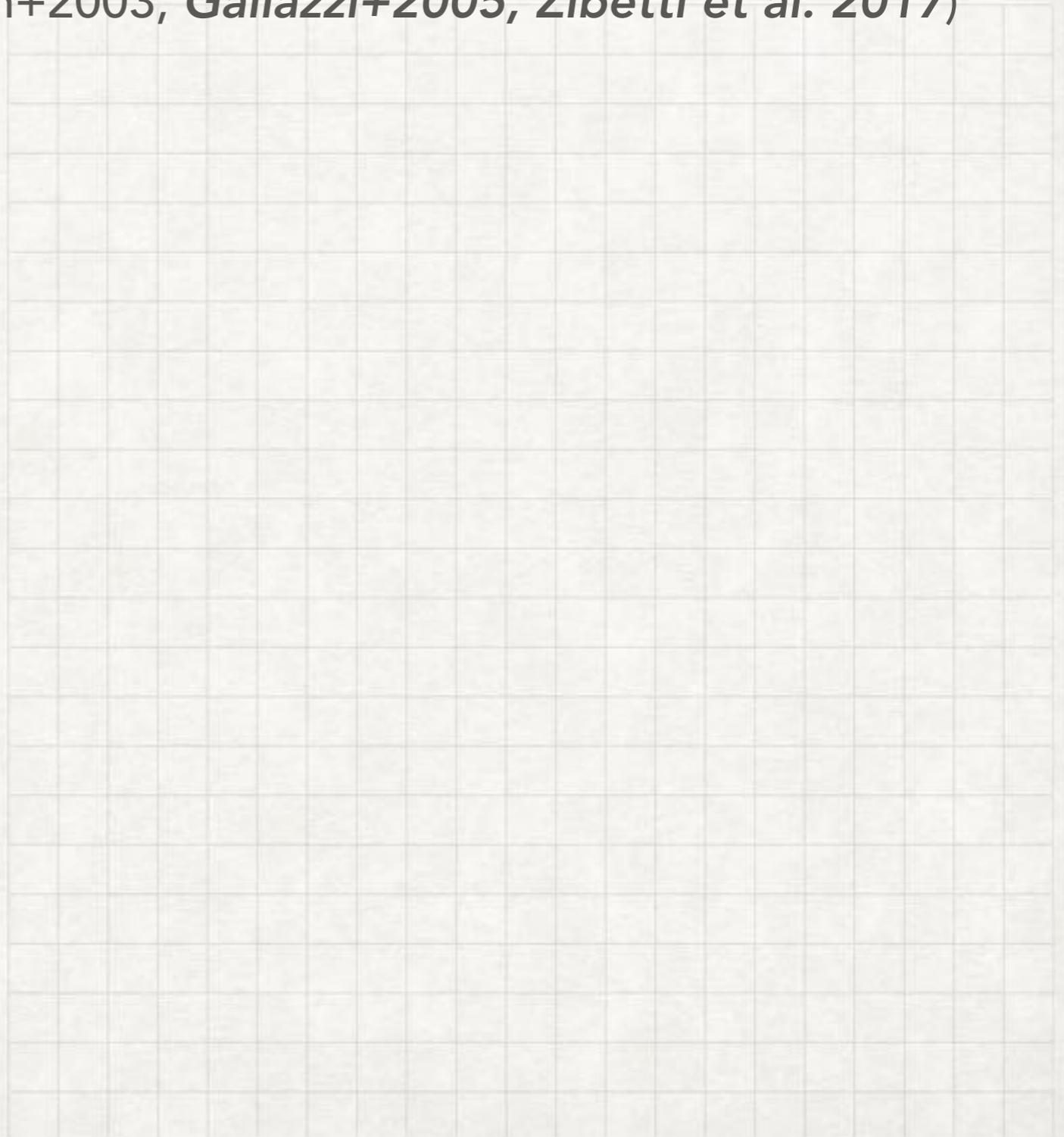


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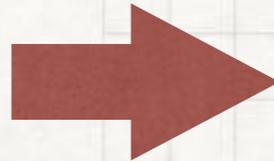


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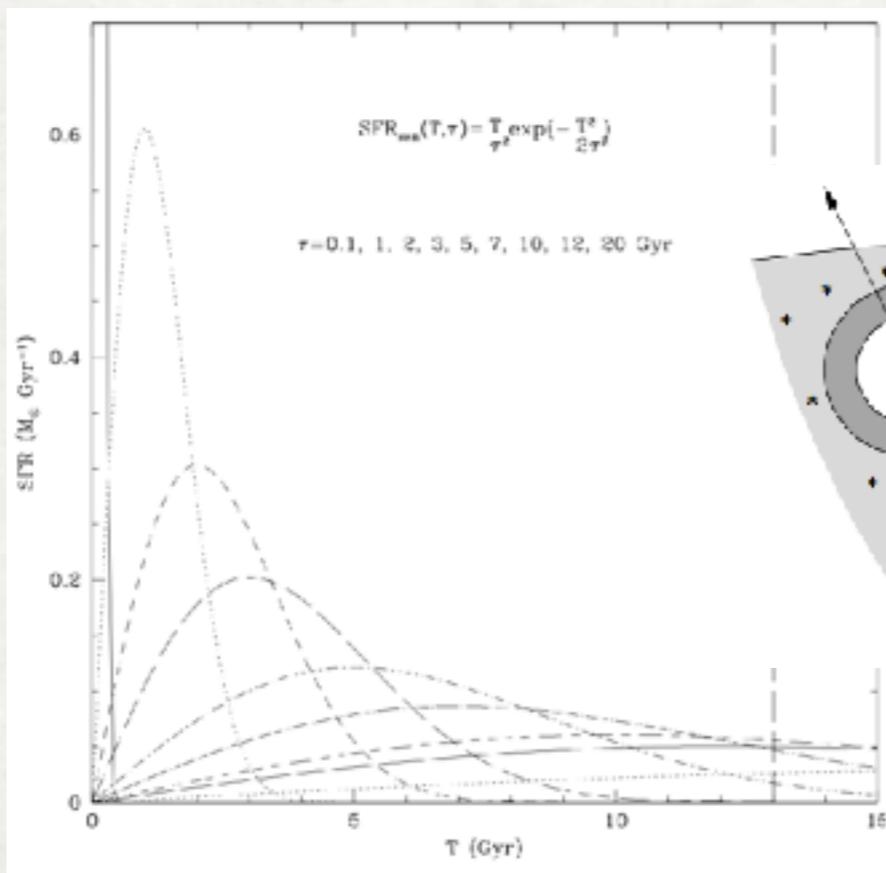
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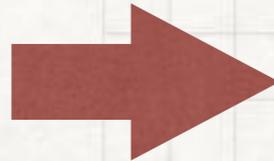


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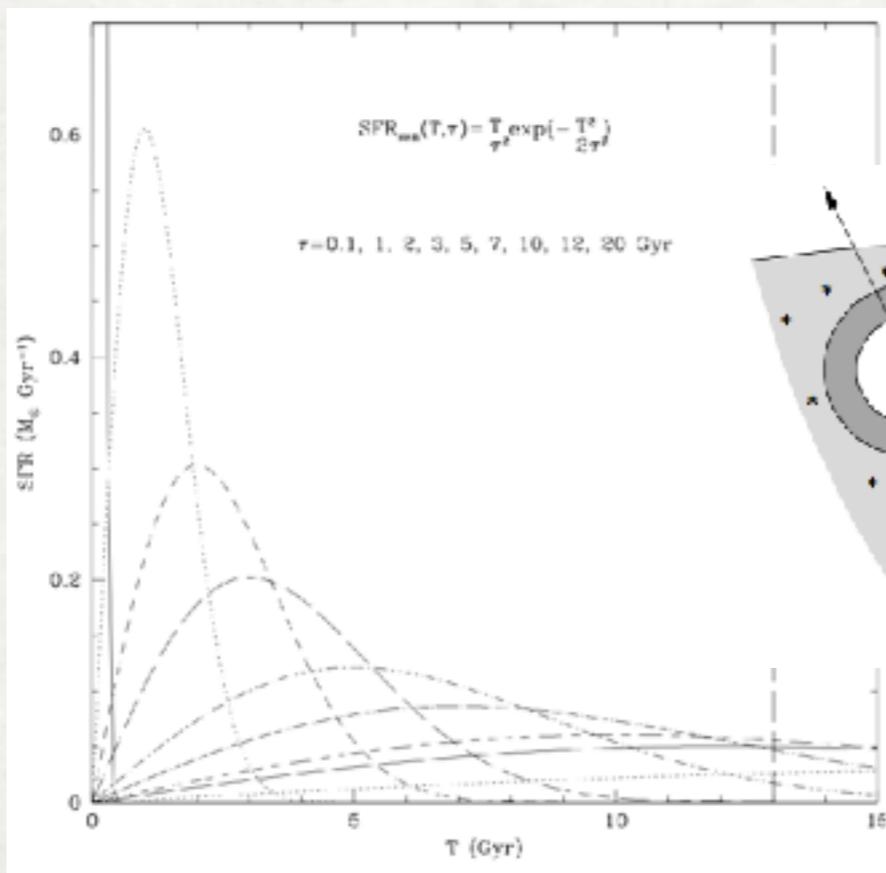
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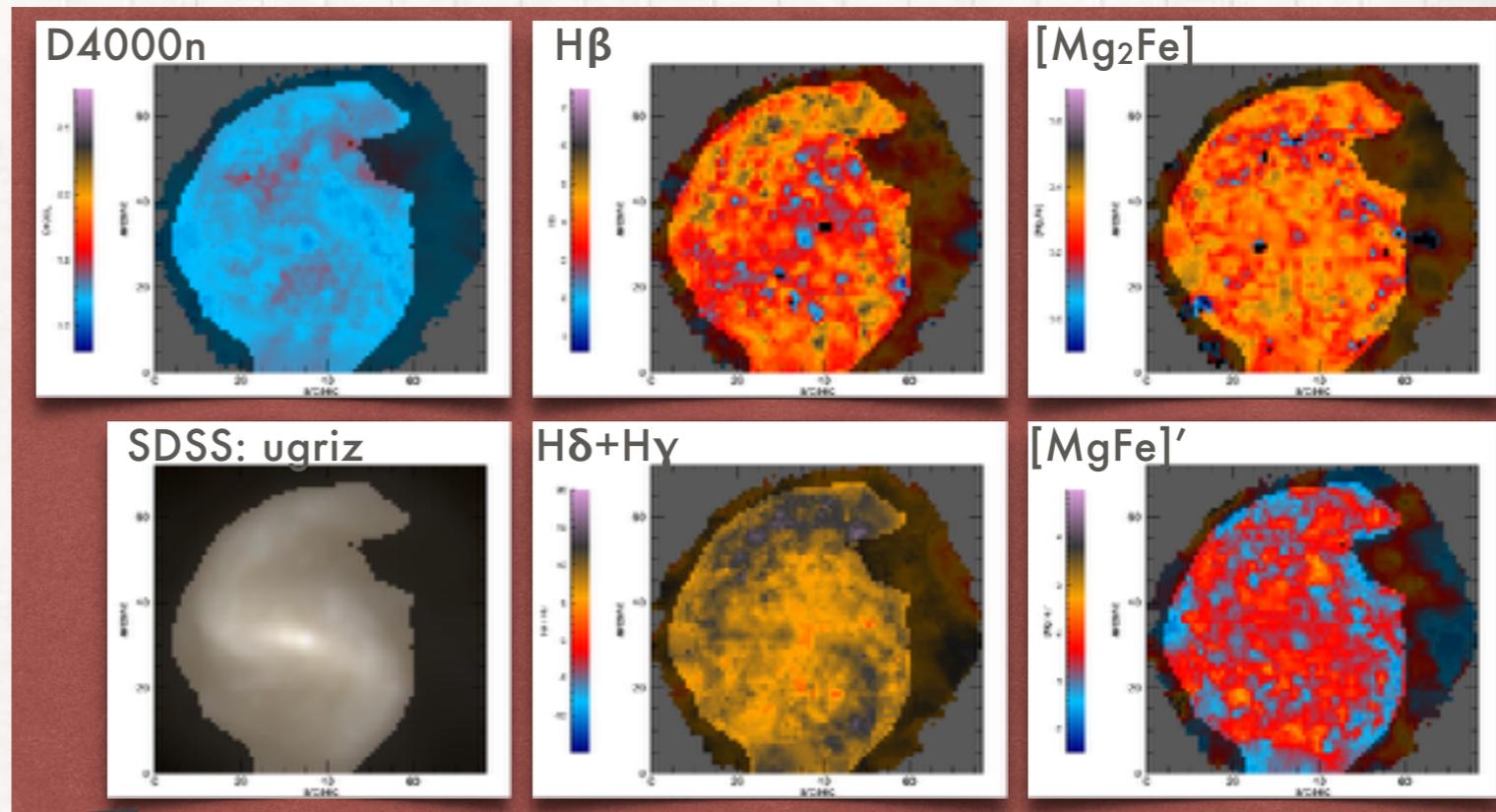


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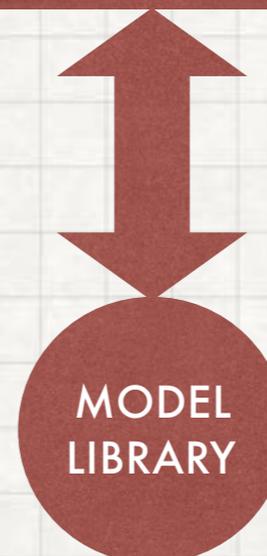
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MATCH CALIFA
RESOLUTION

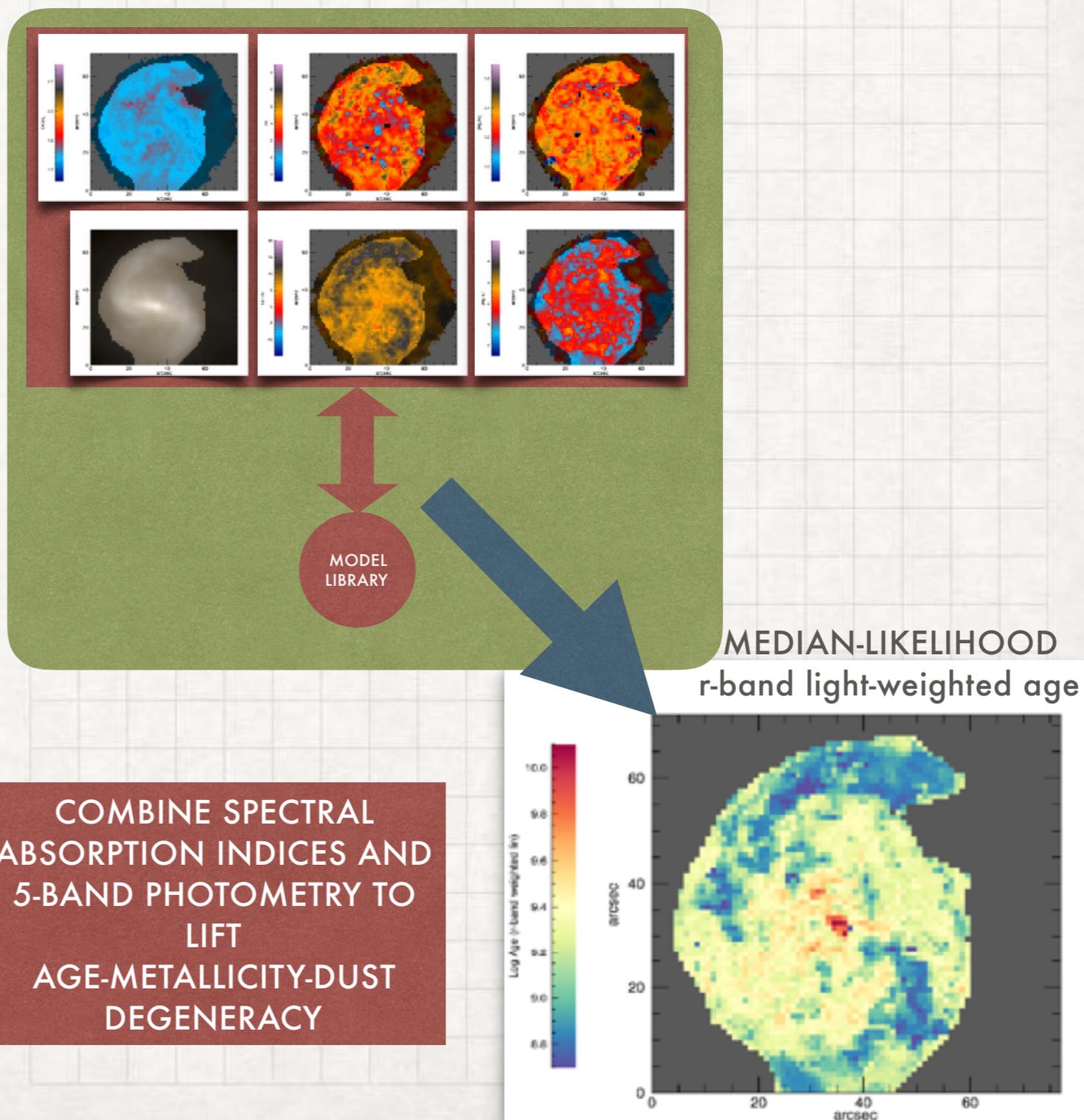


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- POSTERIOR probability distribution for the physical parameter(s) of interest, obtained via marginalisation over the entire library



AGE MAPS EXAMPLES

NGC6411 (E)



UGC10043(Sab)



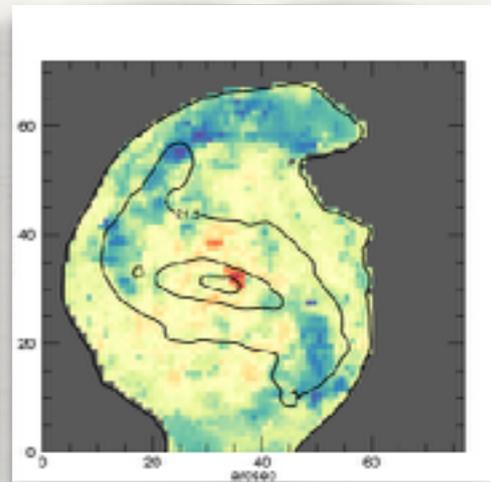
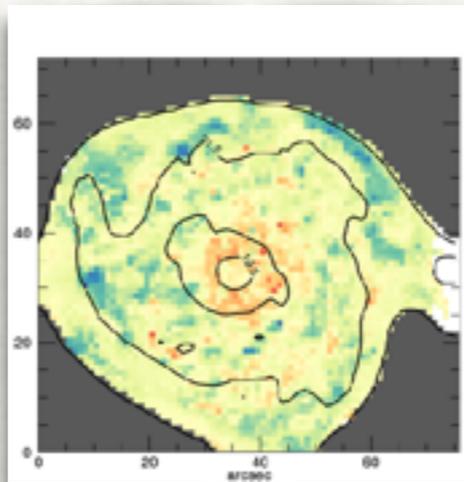
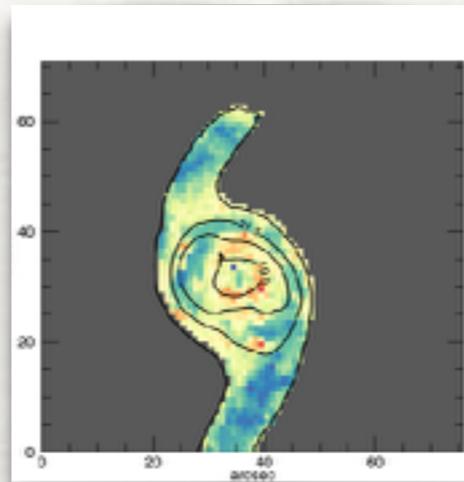
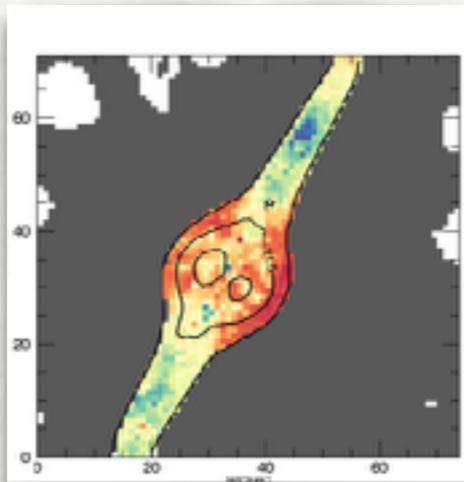
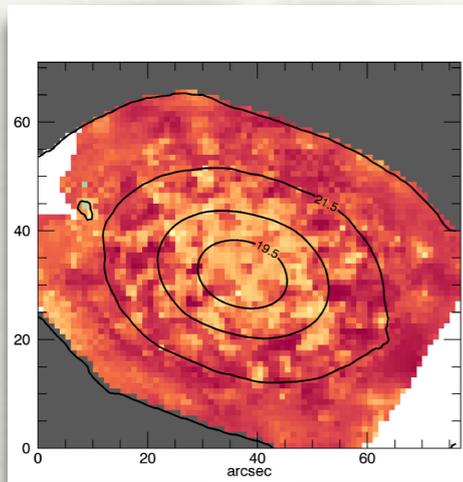
NGC5394 (Sbc)



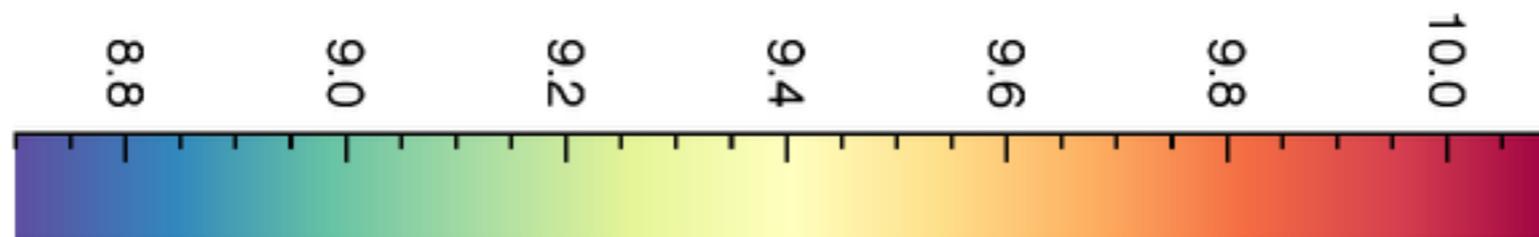
NGC0234 (Sc)



NGC3381 (Sd)



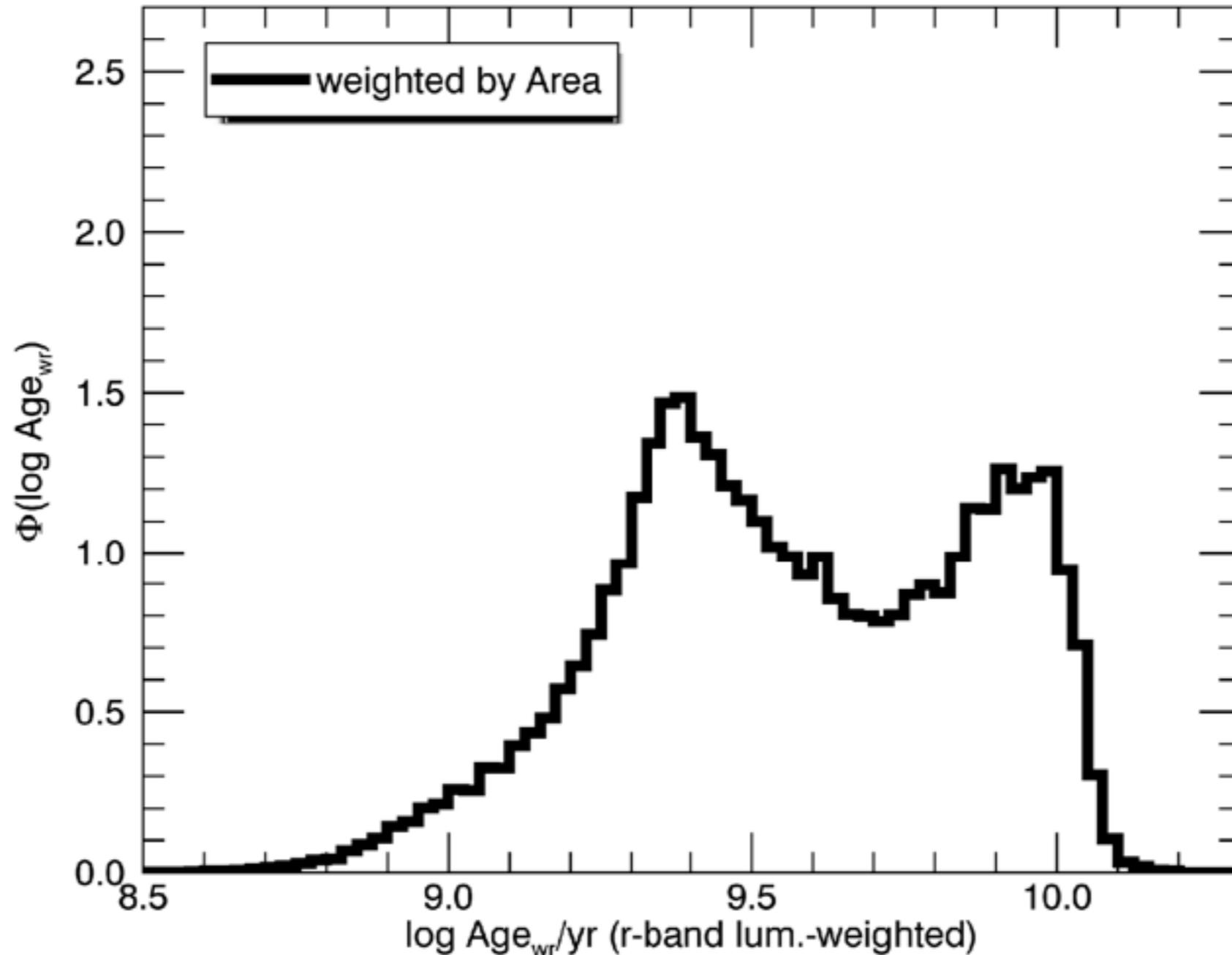
Log Age (r-band weighted lin)



light-weighted!

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395 galaxies, 654909 spaxels, volume corrected
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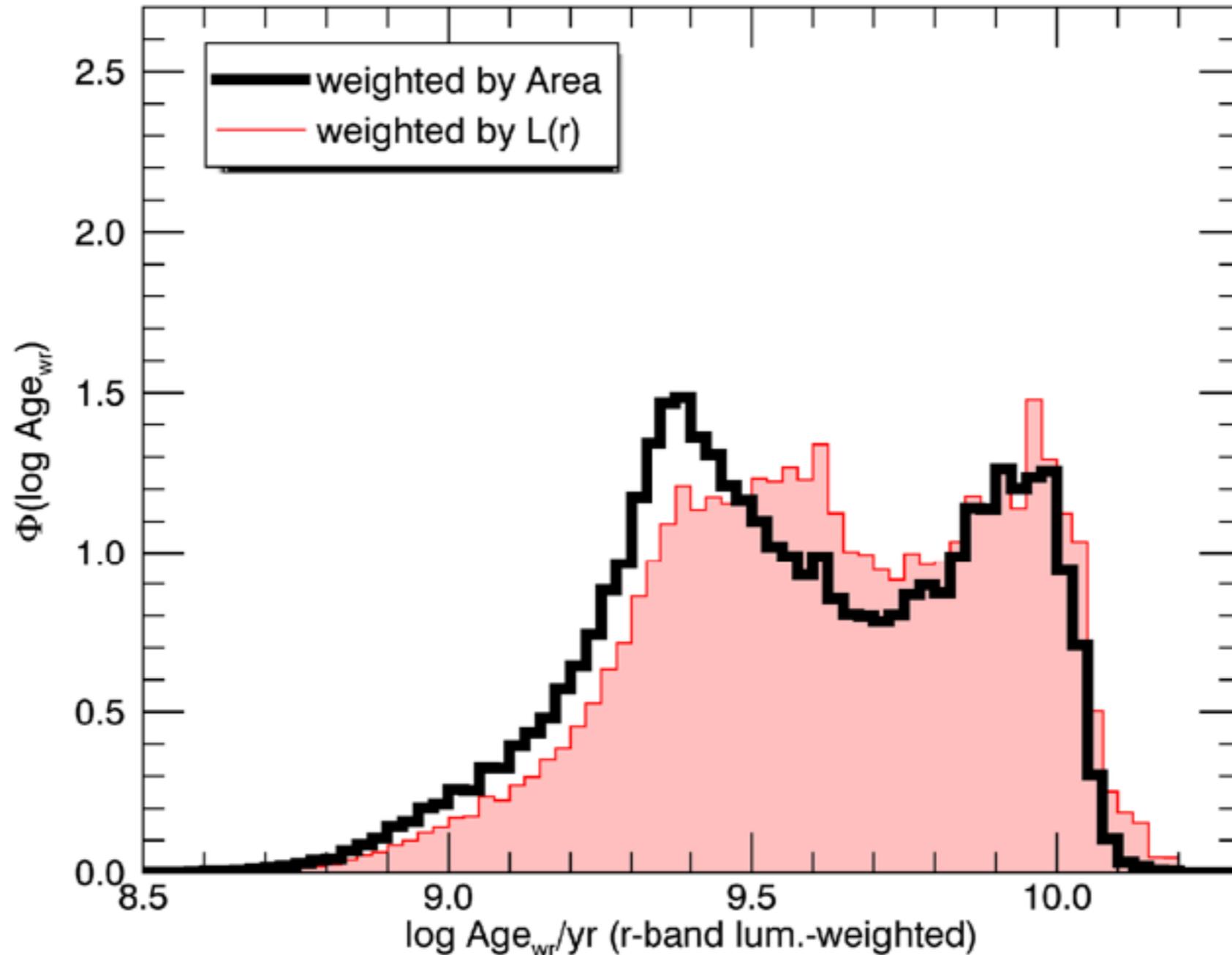


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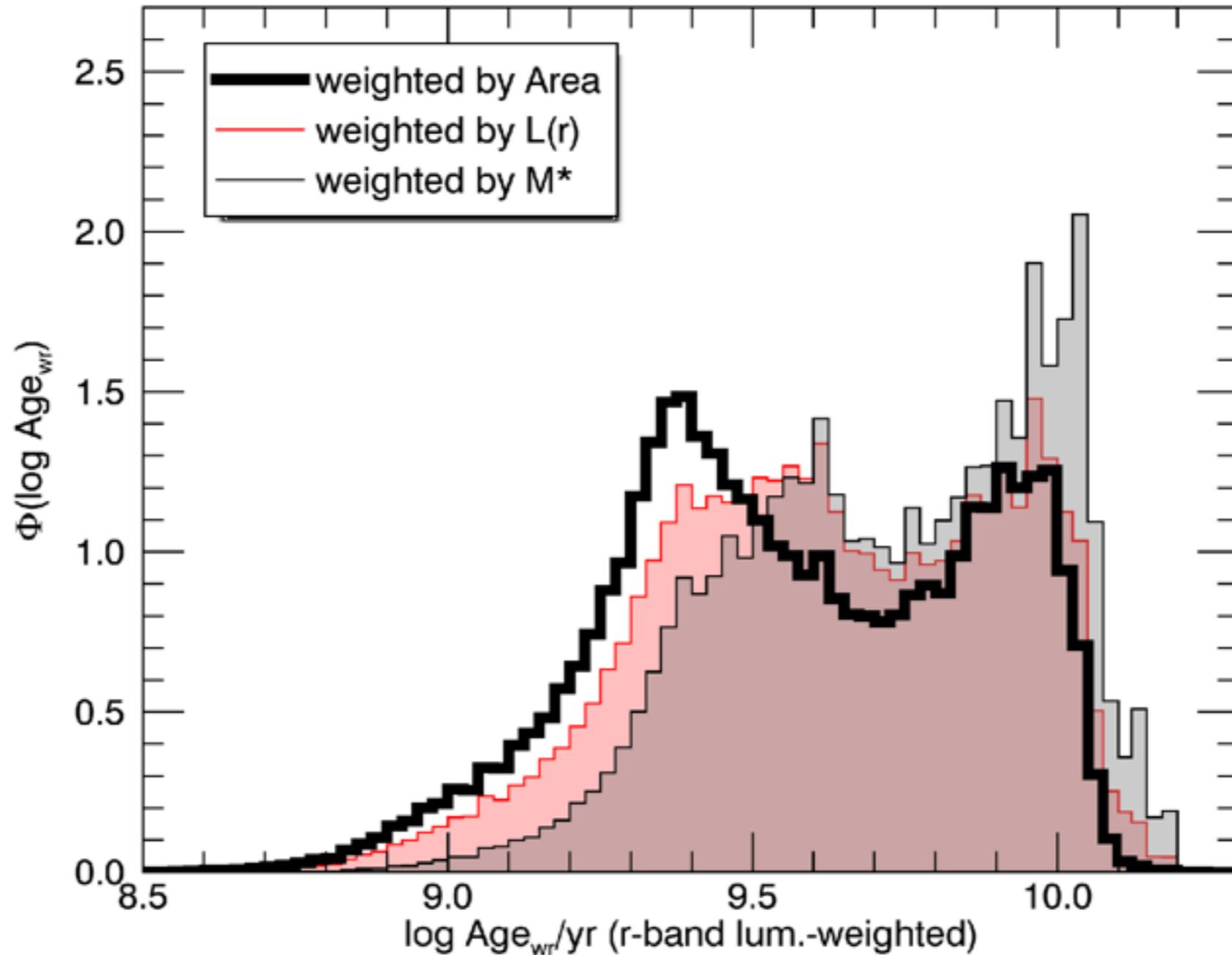


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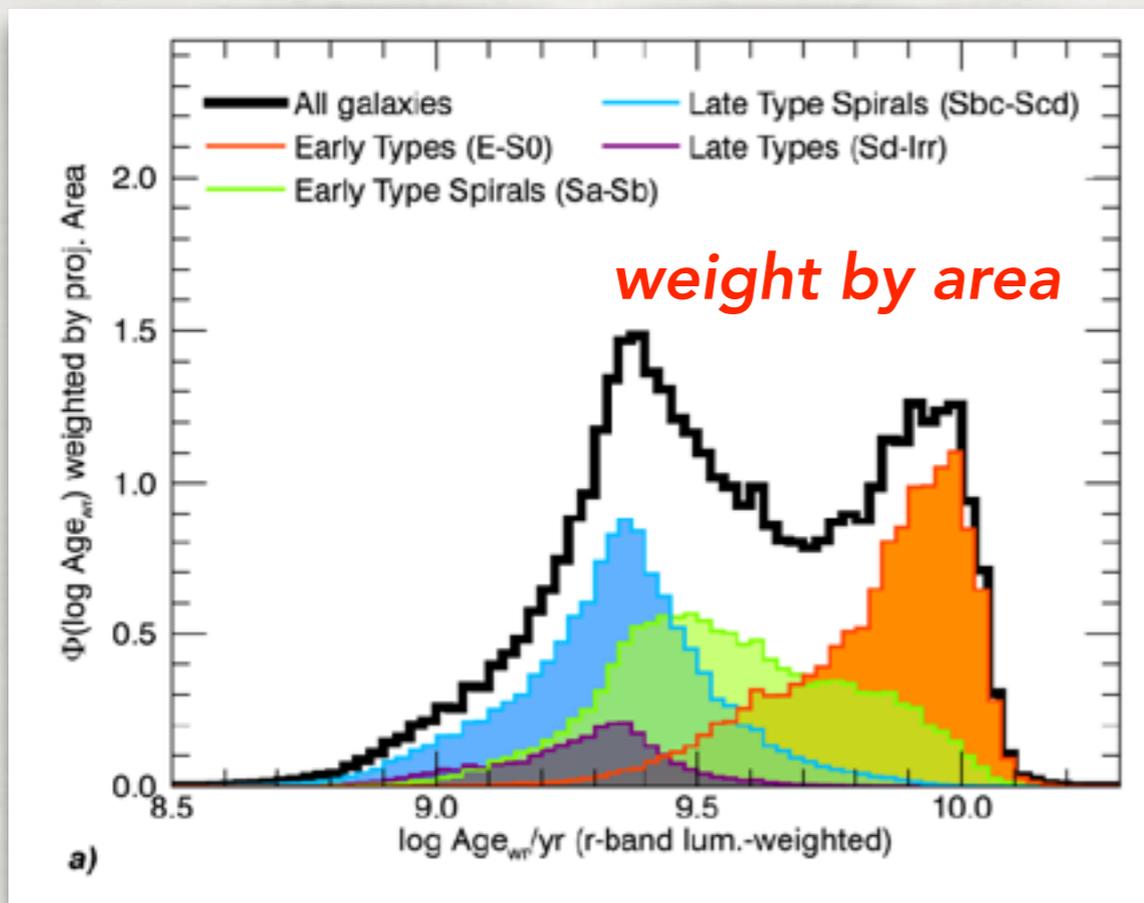
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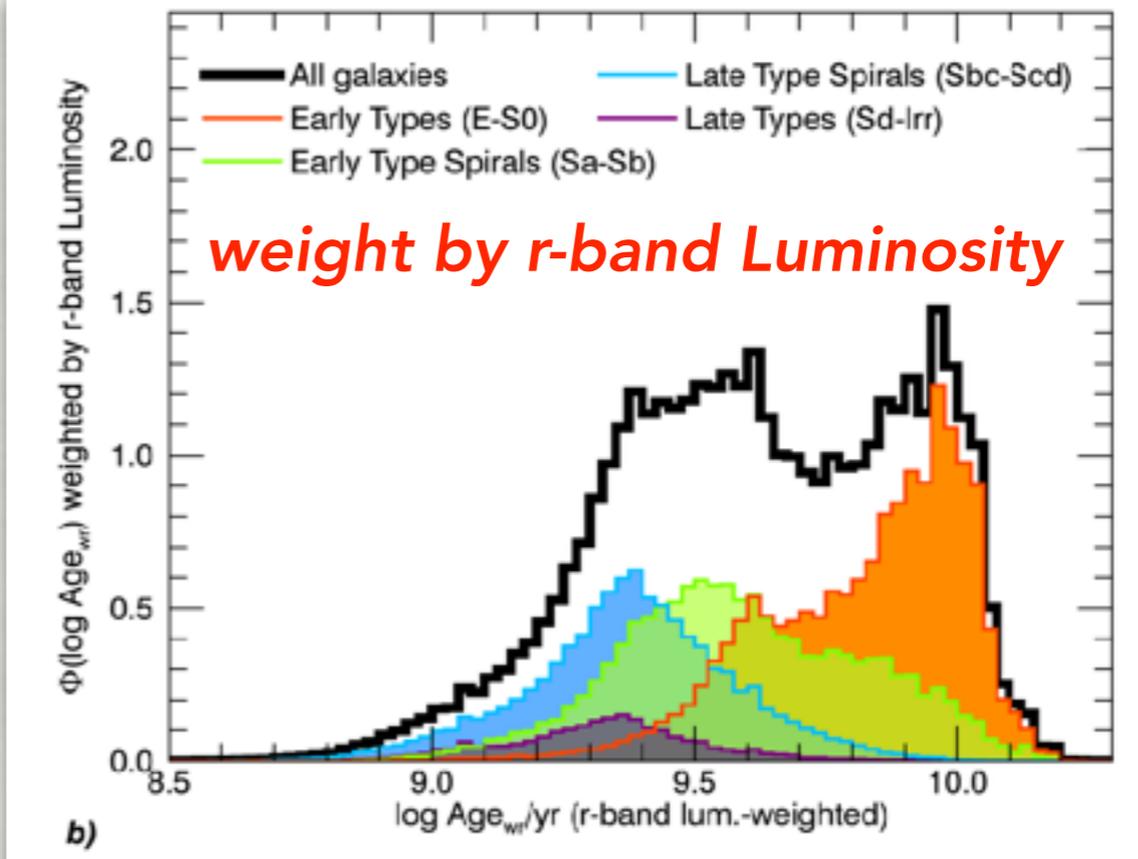
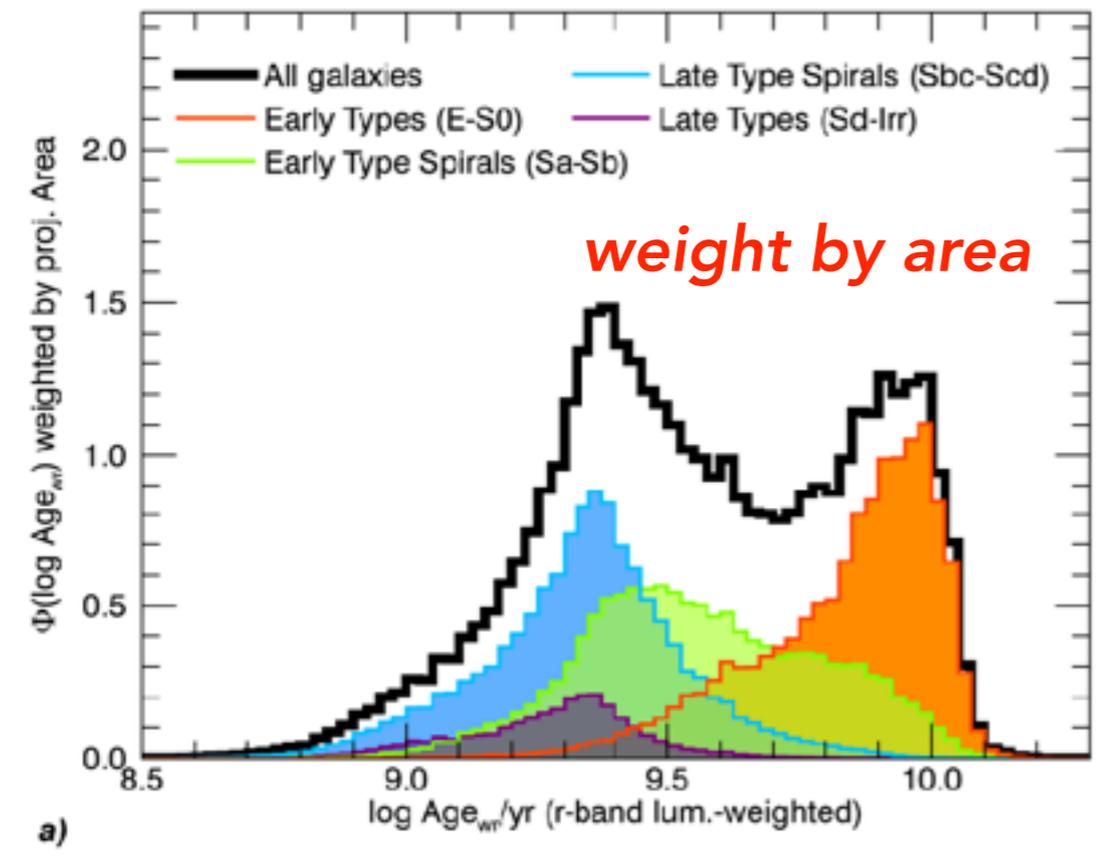


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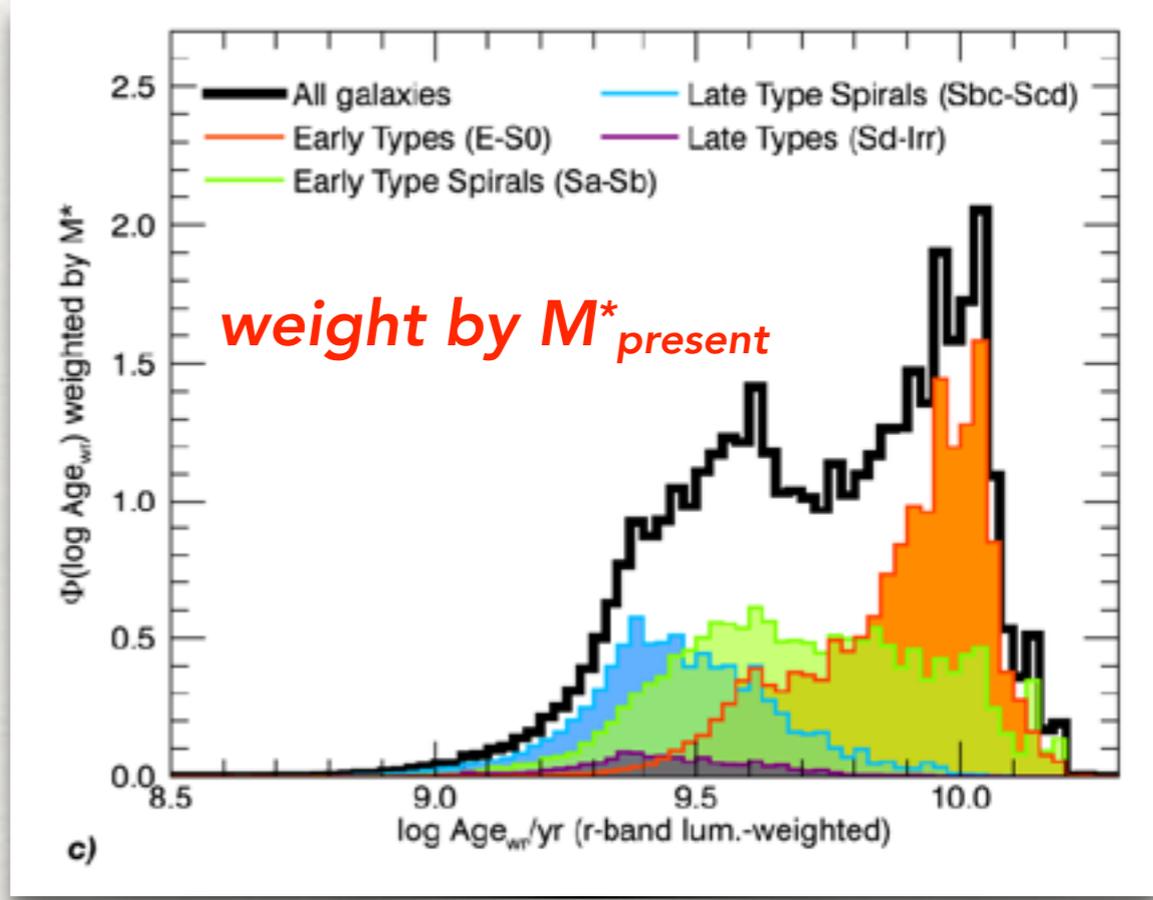
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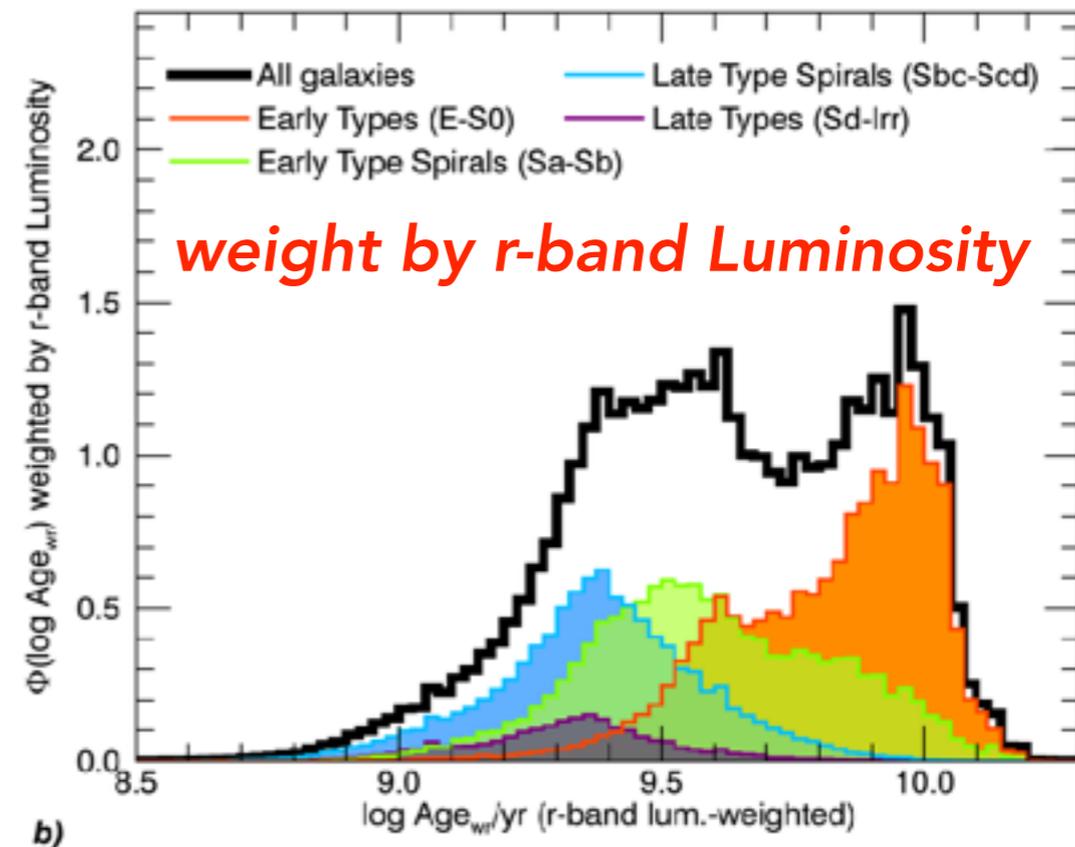
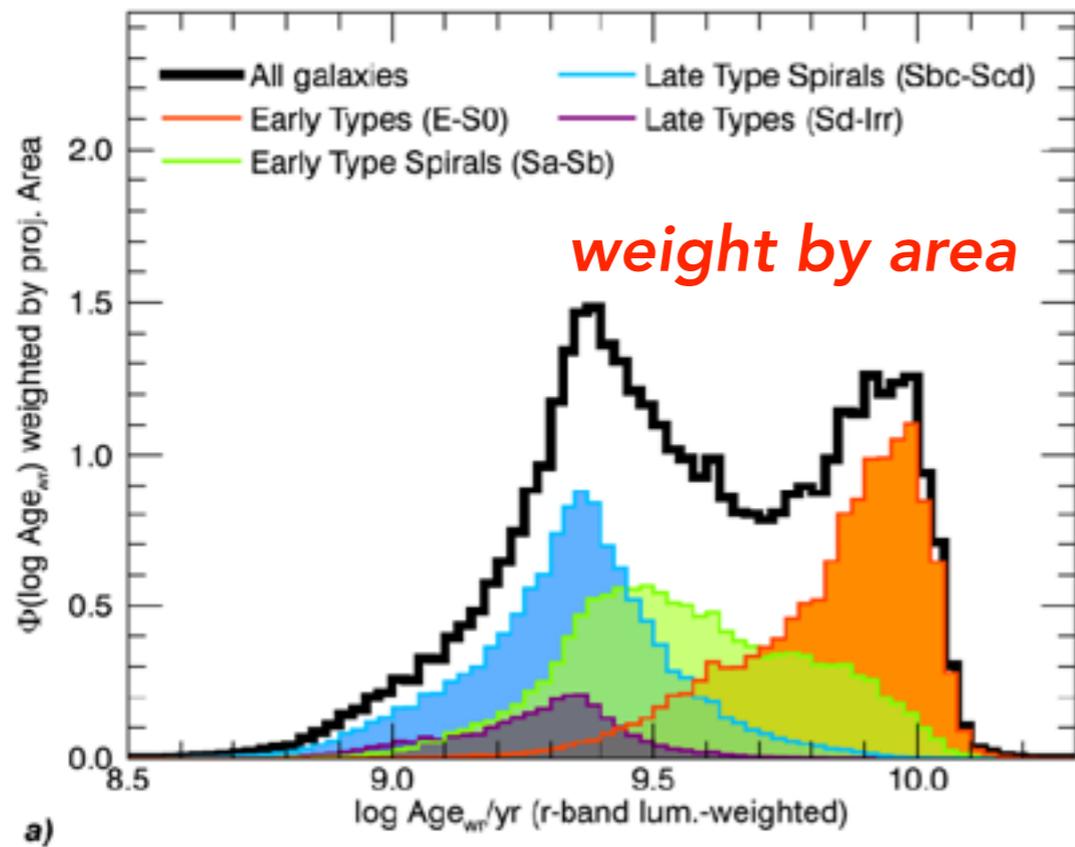
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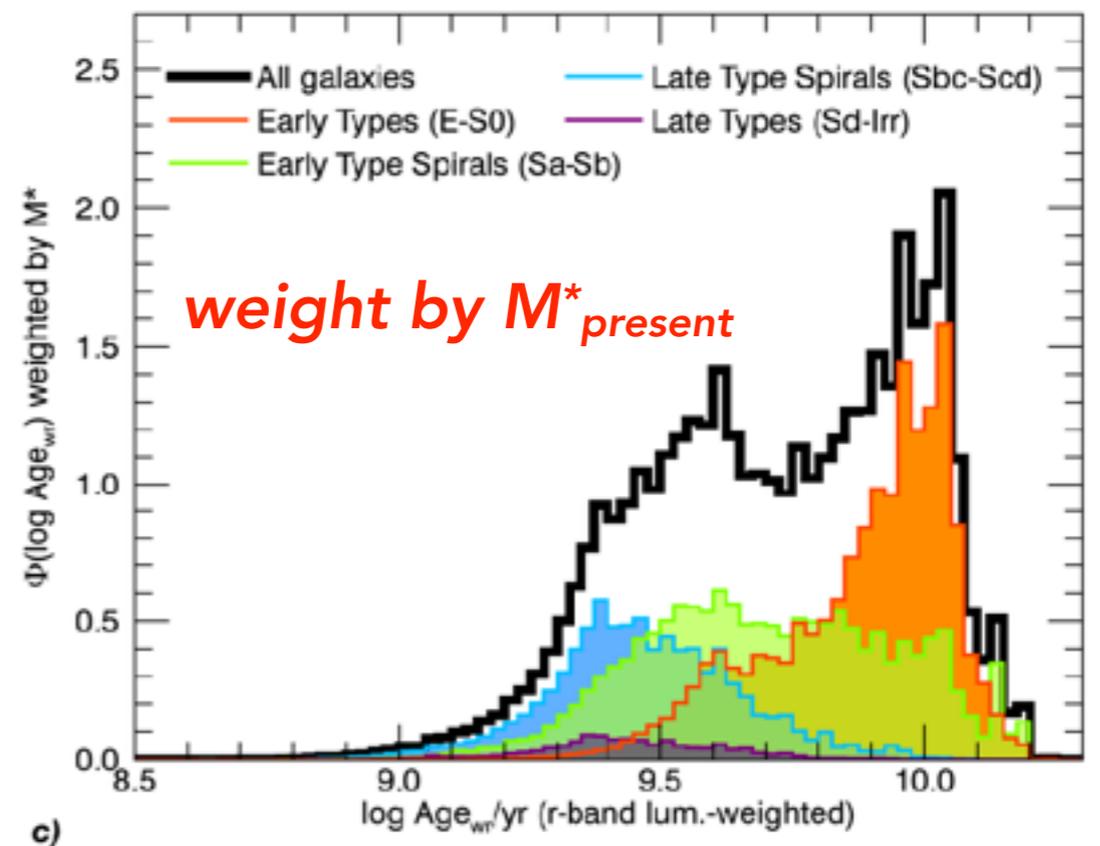
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**AGE BIMODALITY
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mainly a bulge vs disc
bimodality



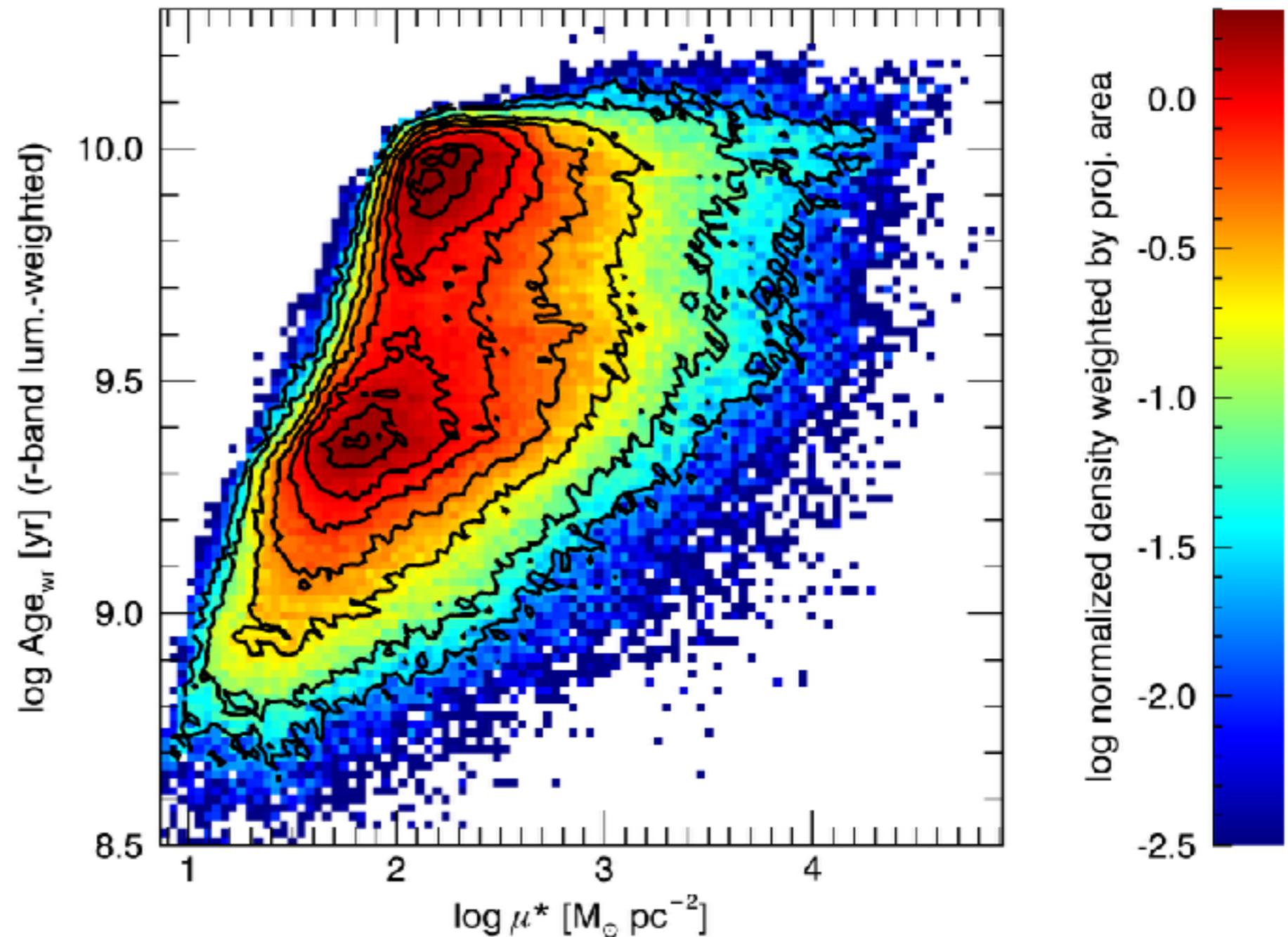
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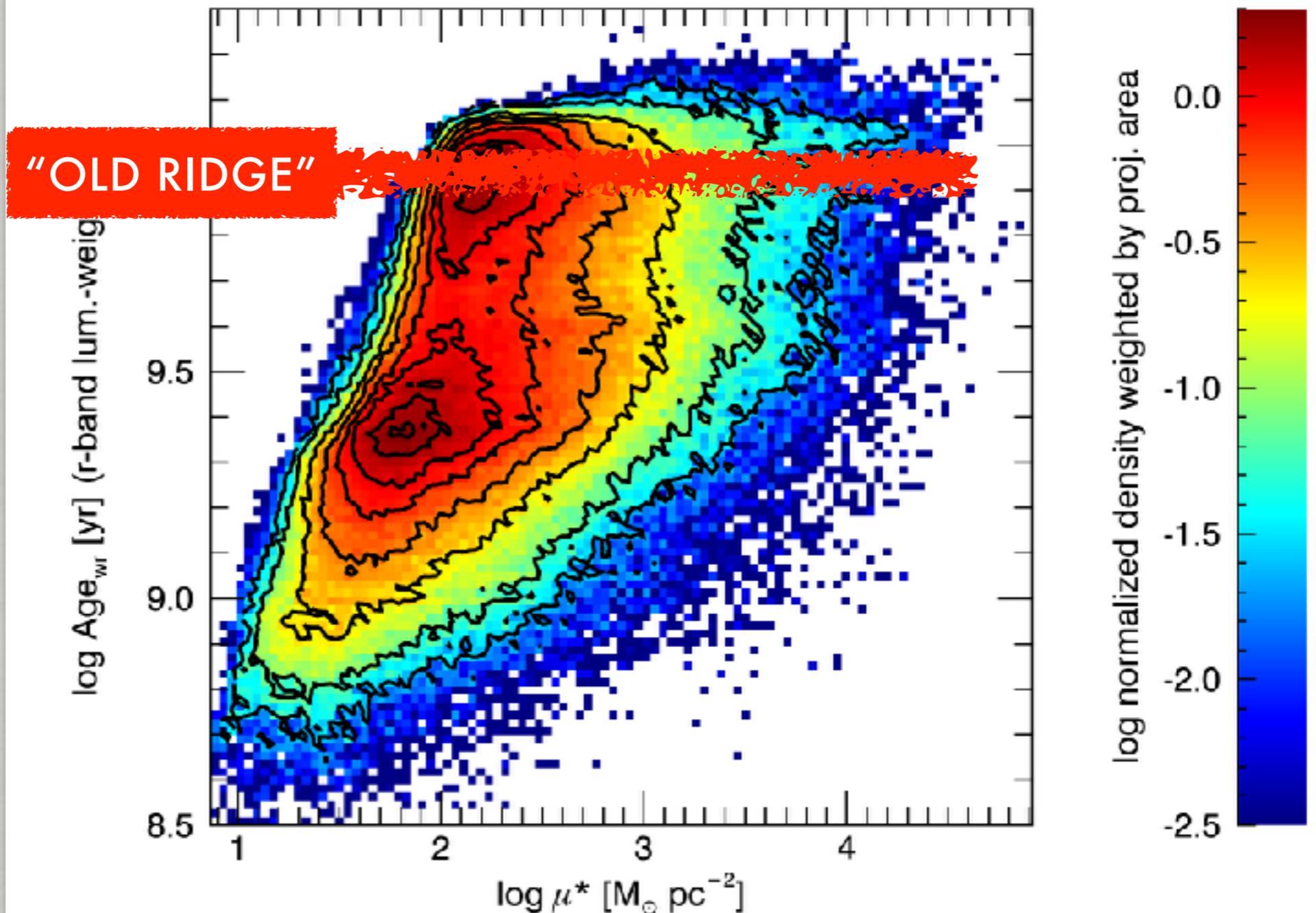
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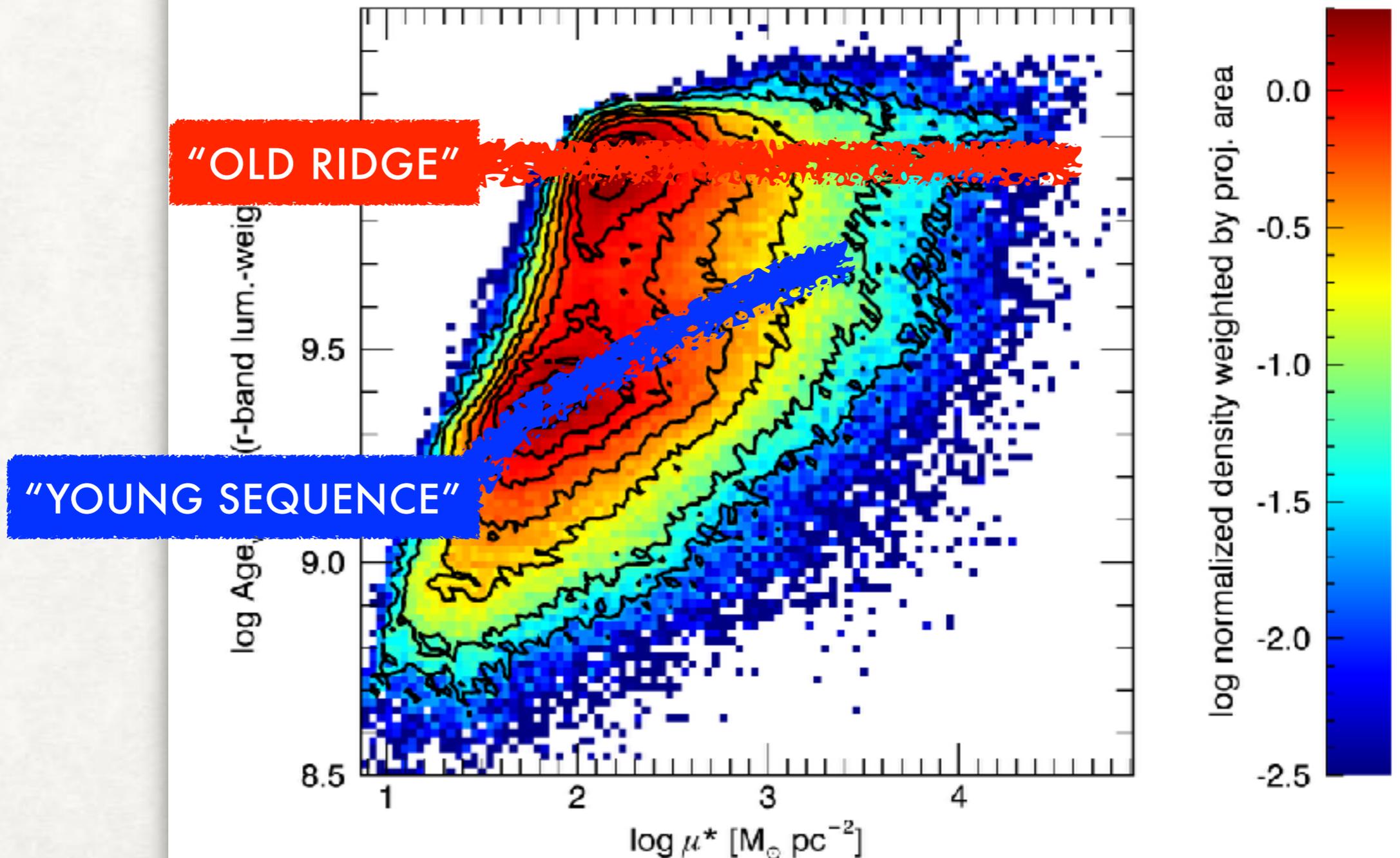
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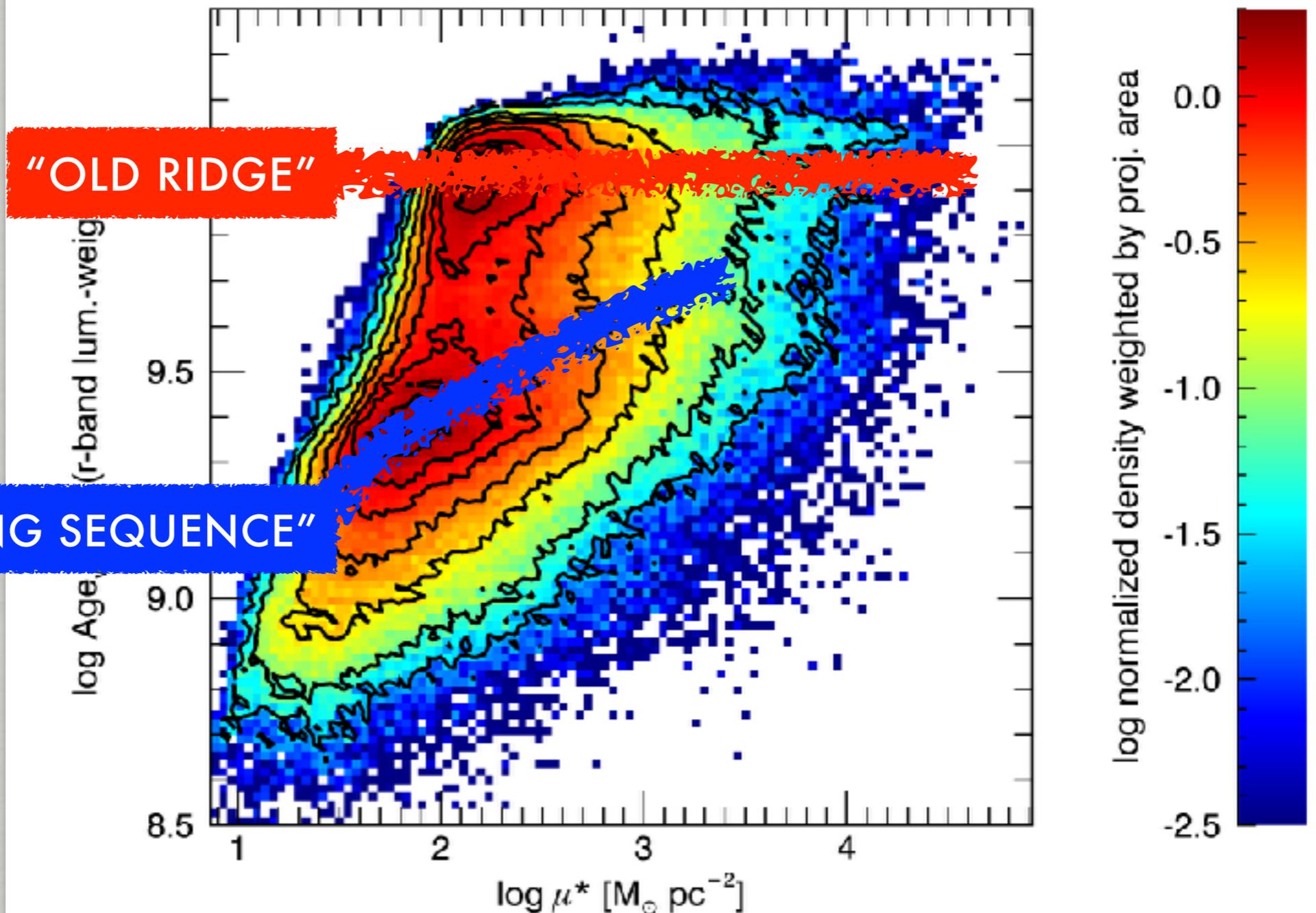
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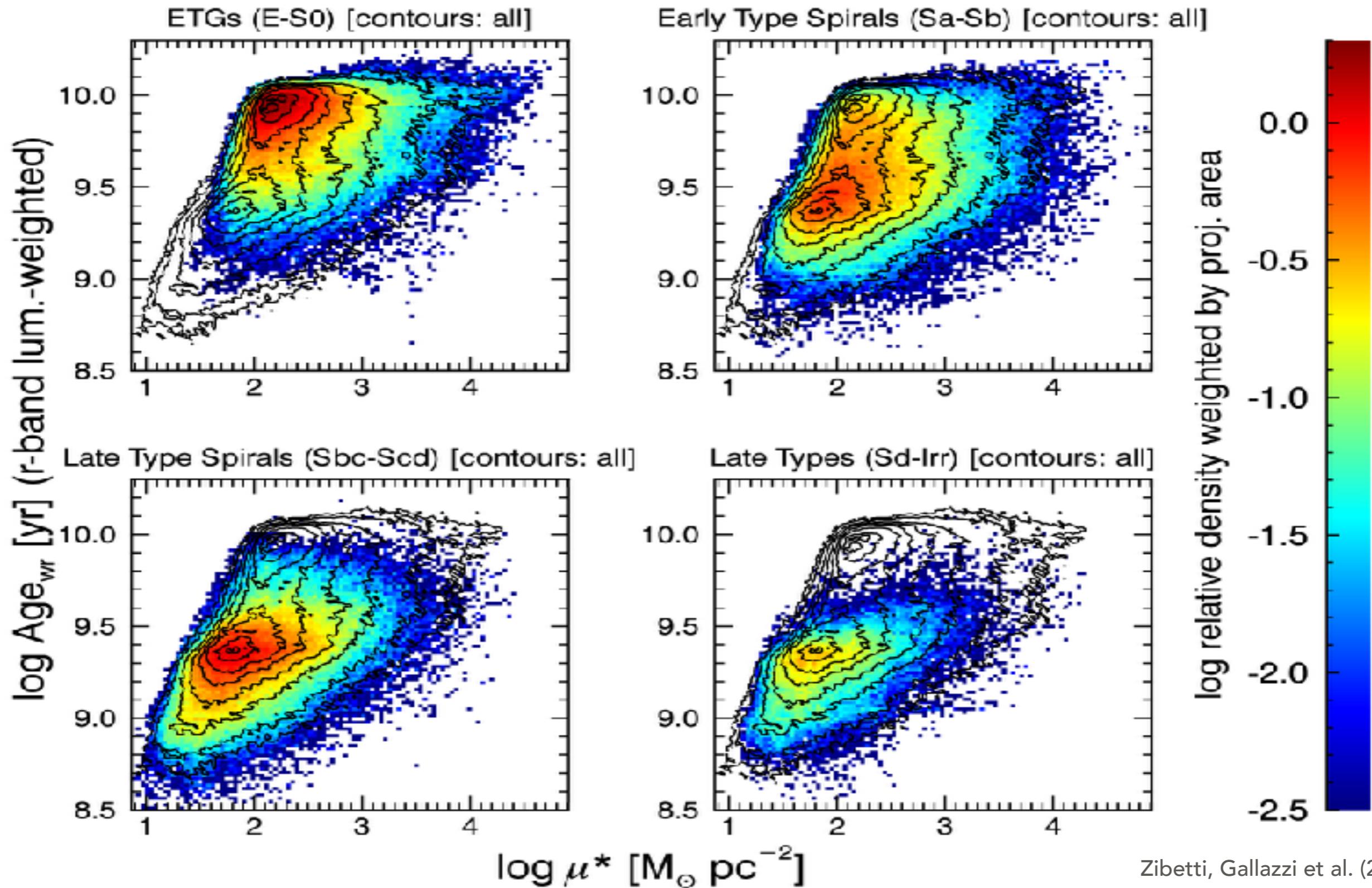
a signature of
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quenching?
radial migration?

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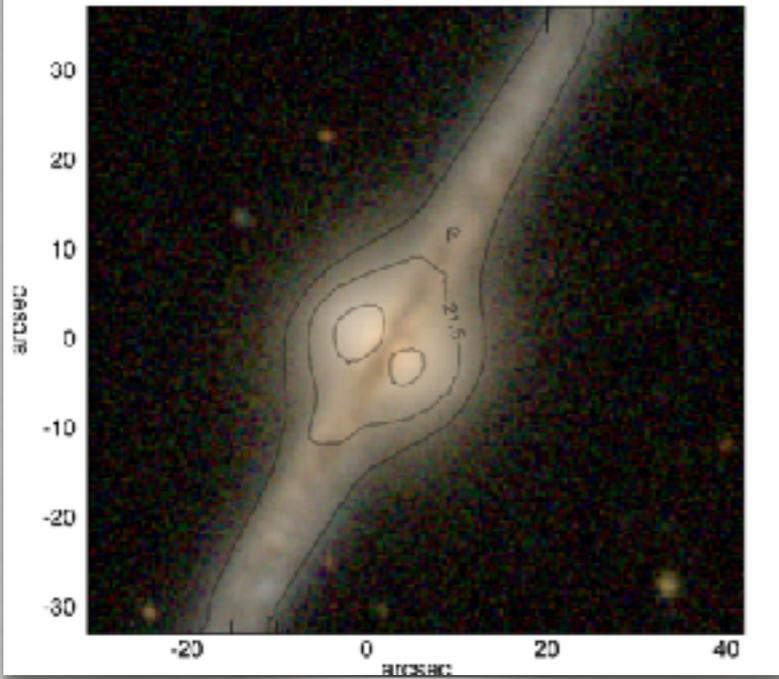
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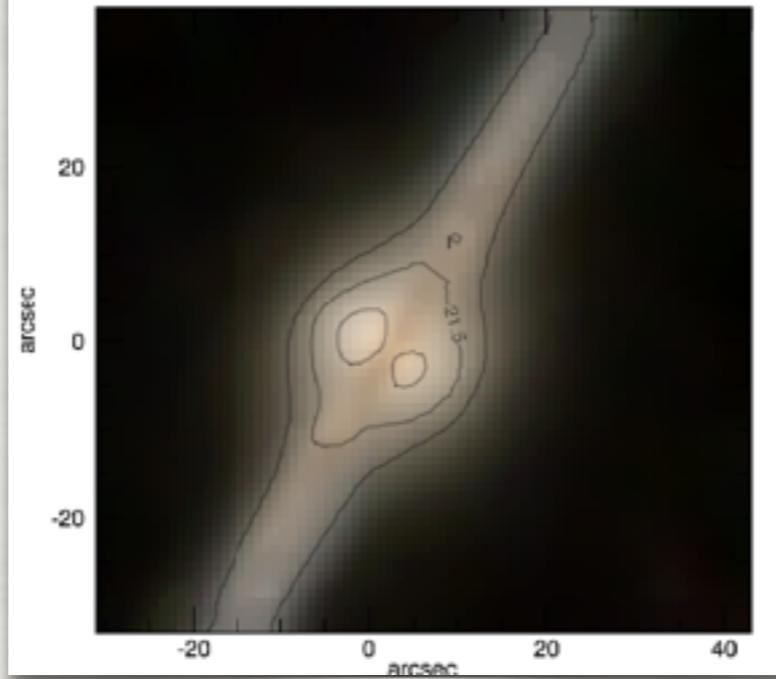


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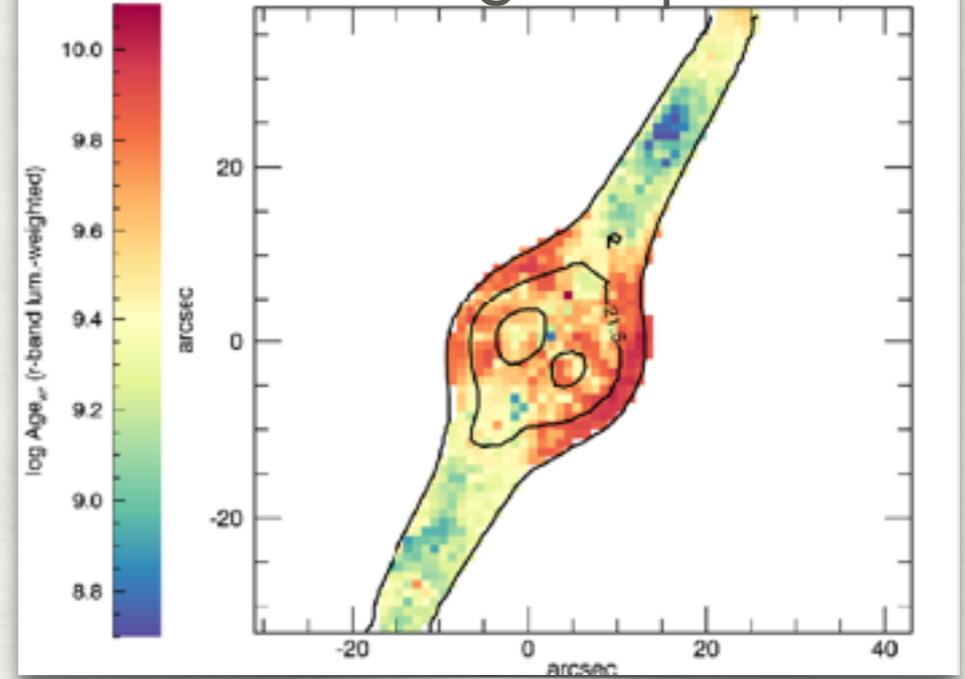
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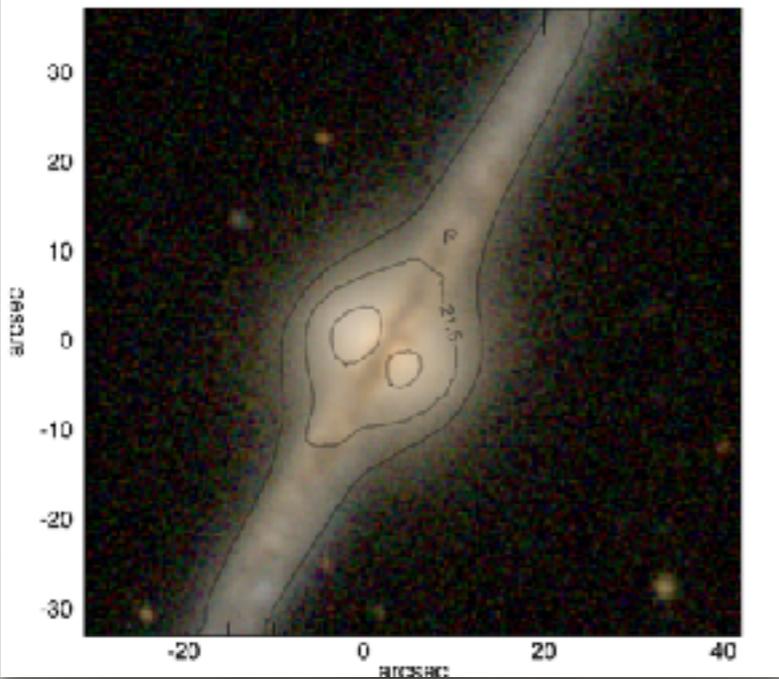


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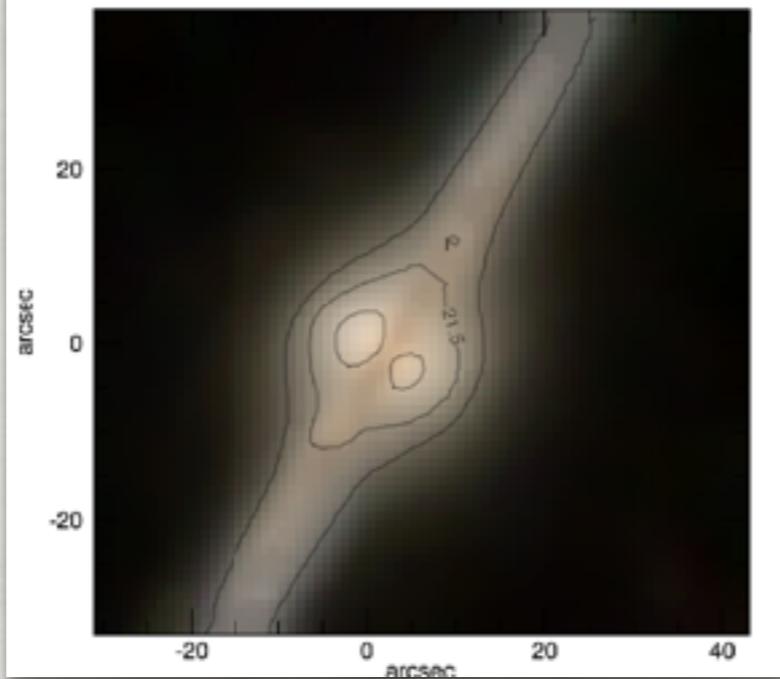


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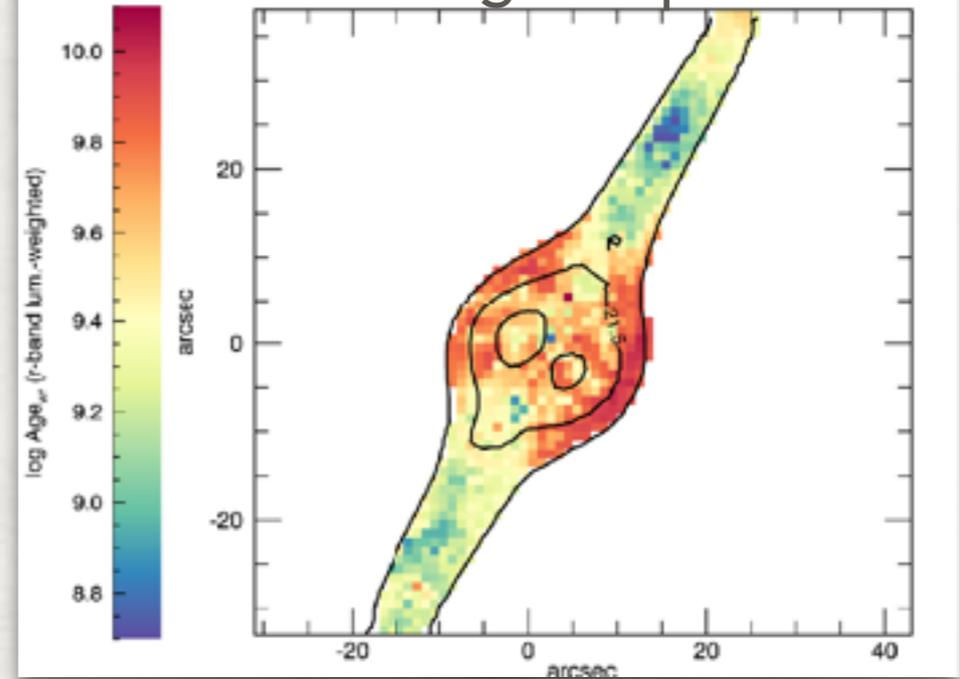
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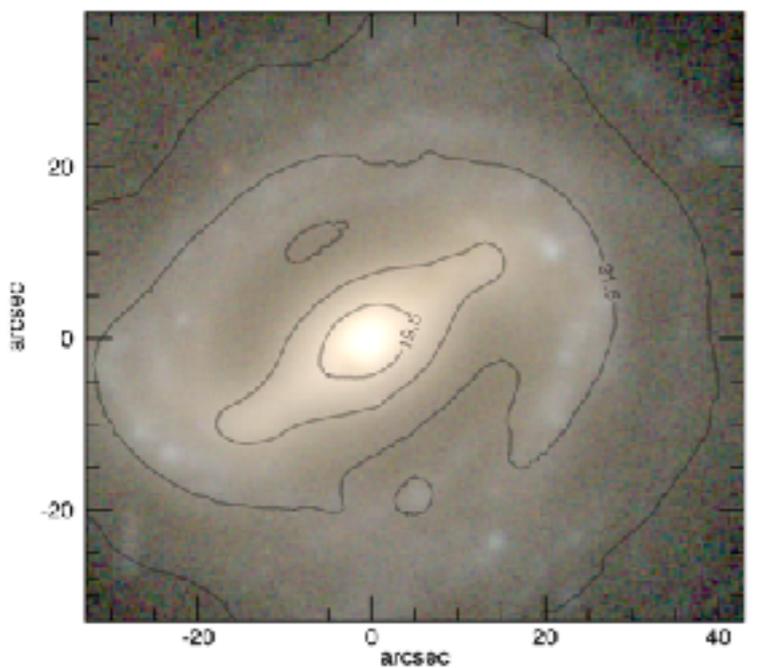


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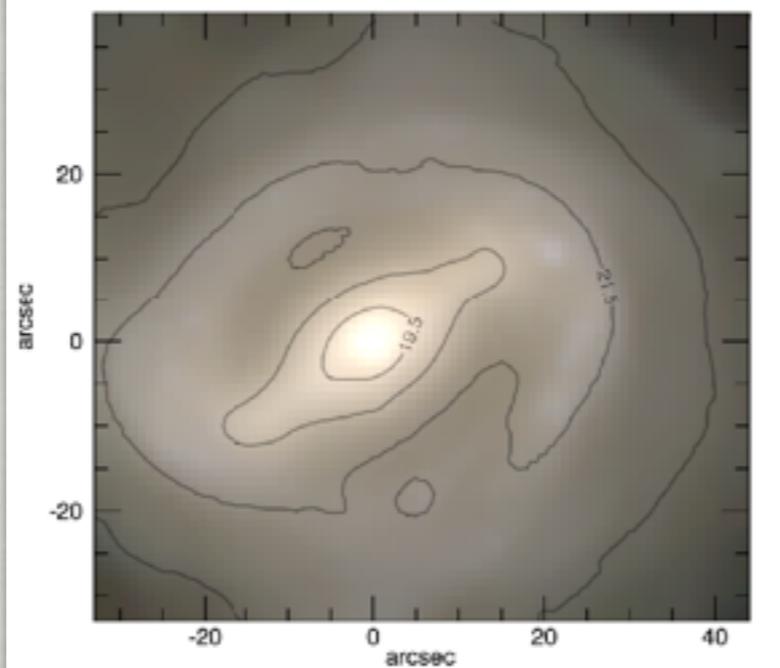


...BUT ALSO ARM VS INTERARM

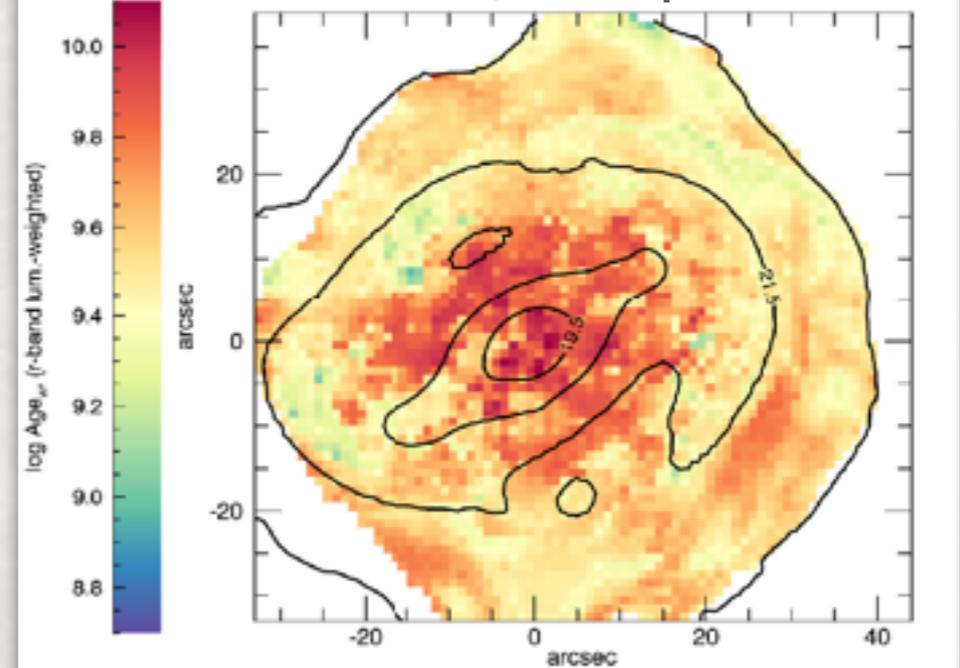
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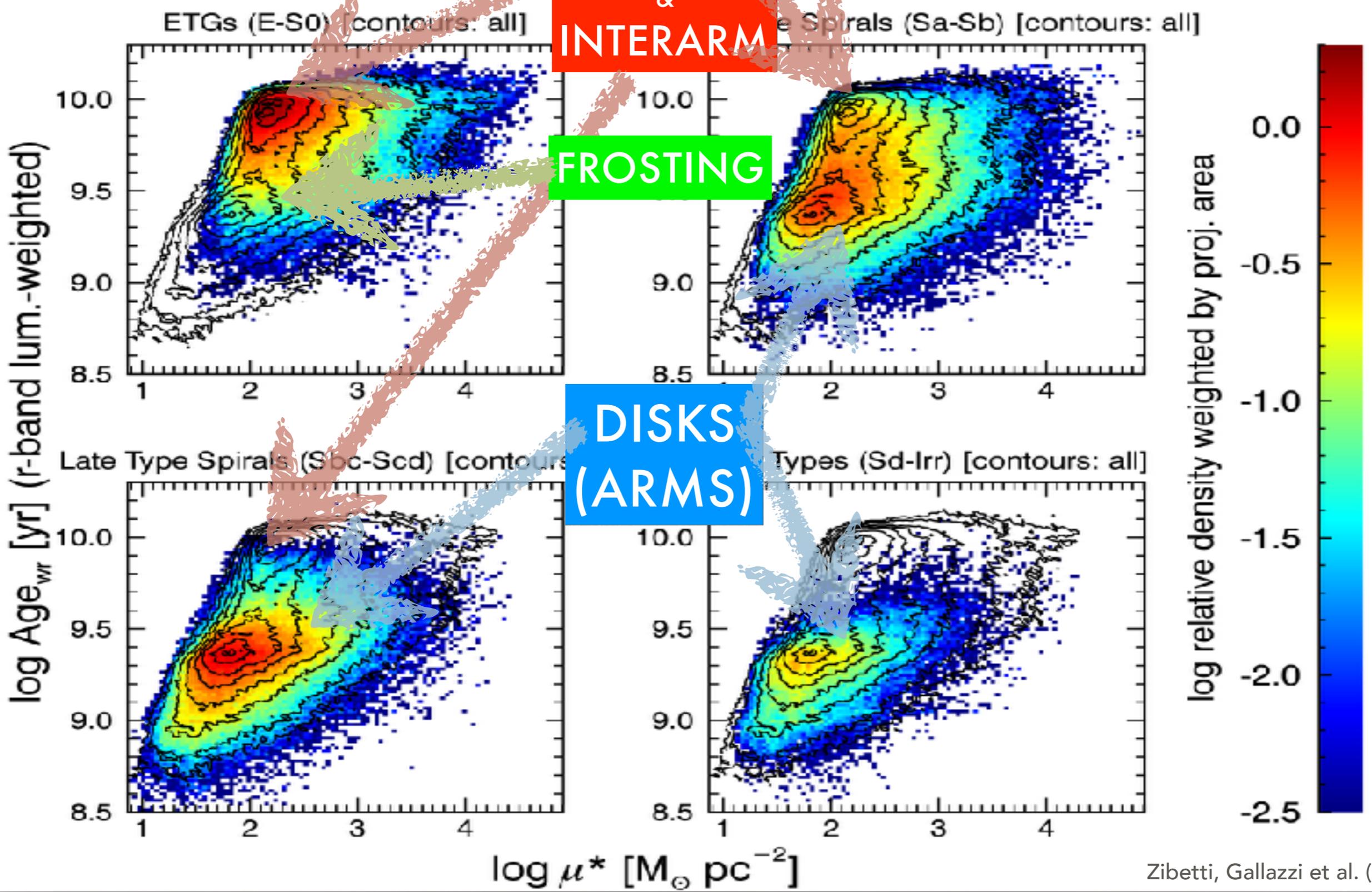
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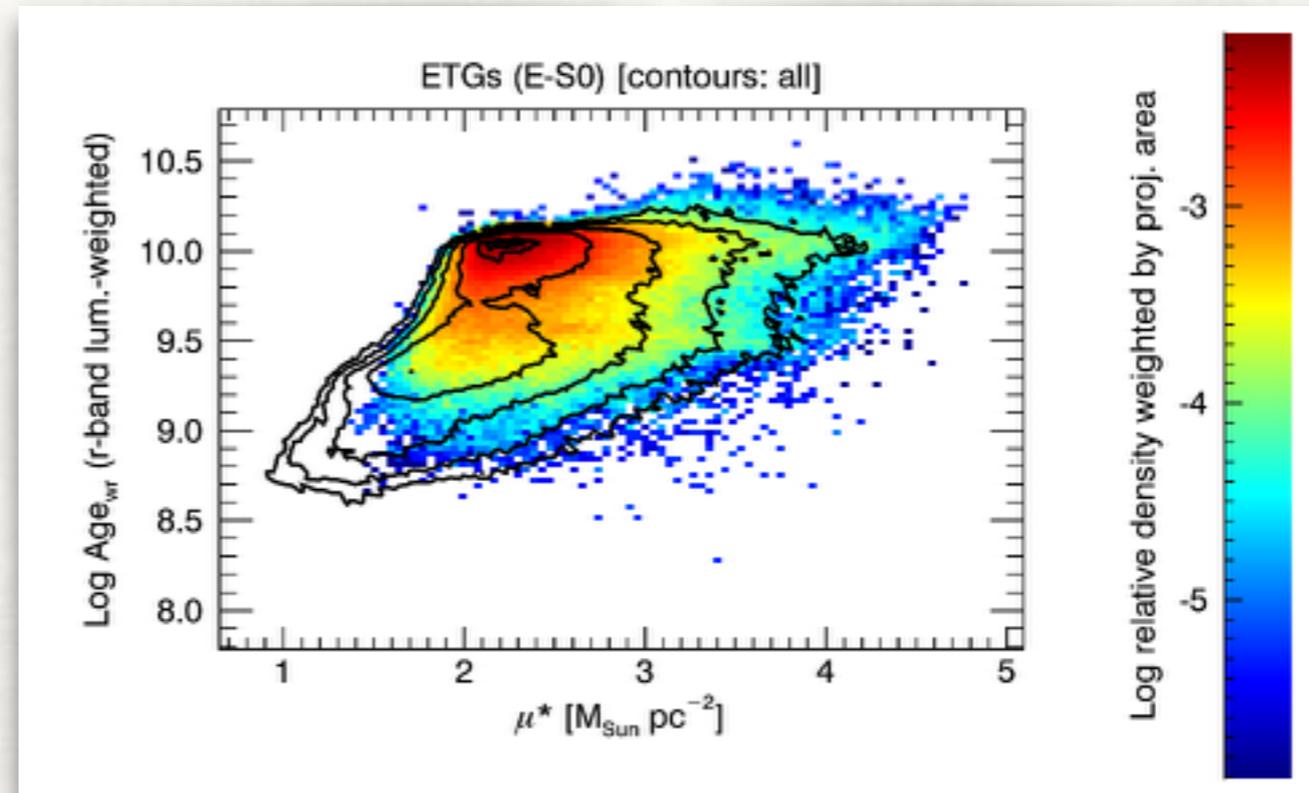
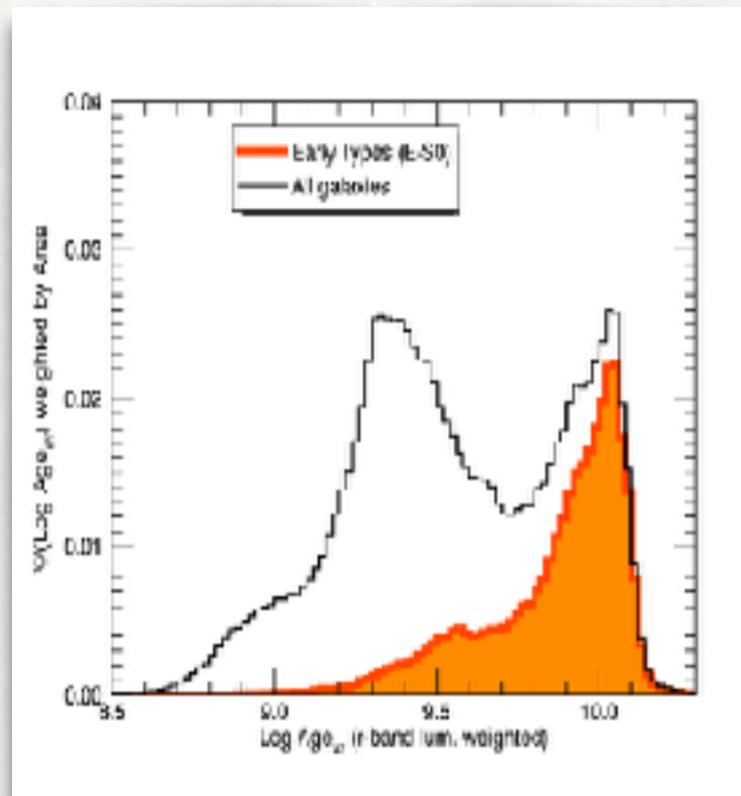
FROSTING

**DISKS
(ARMS)**



EARLY-TYPE GALAXIES

INTERNAL SCALING RELATIONS AND THEIR DRIVERS

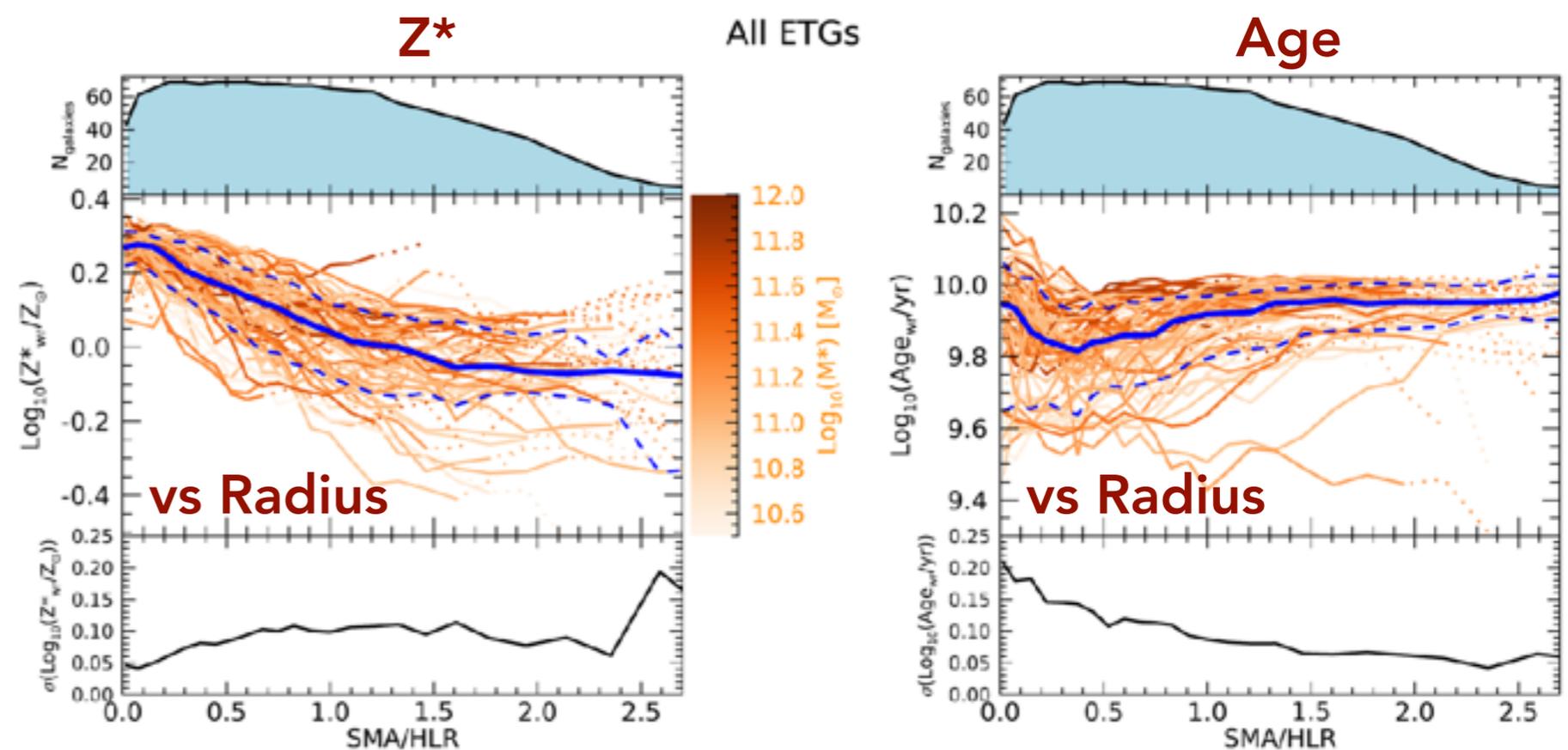


- Stellar population gradients:
 - radius
 - surface mass density
 - total (stellar) mass
- What do they tell us about physical mechanisms of galaxy evolution?
- Can they be used to constrain models?
- **Observations: 69 CALIFA ETGs, 48 E, 21 S0, excluding obviously interacting/merging systems**

Stellar population gradients in ETGs

Radius vs Surface Mass density

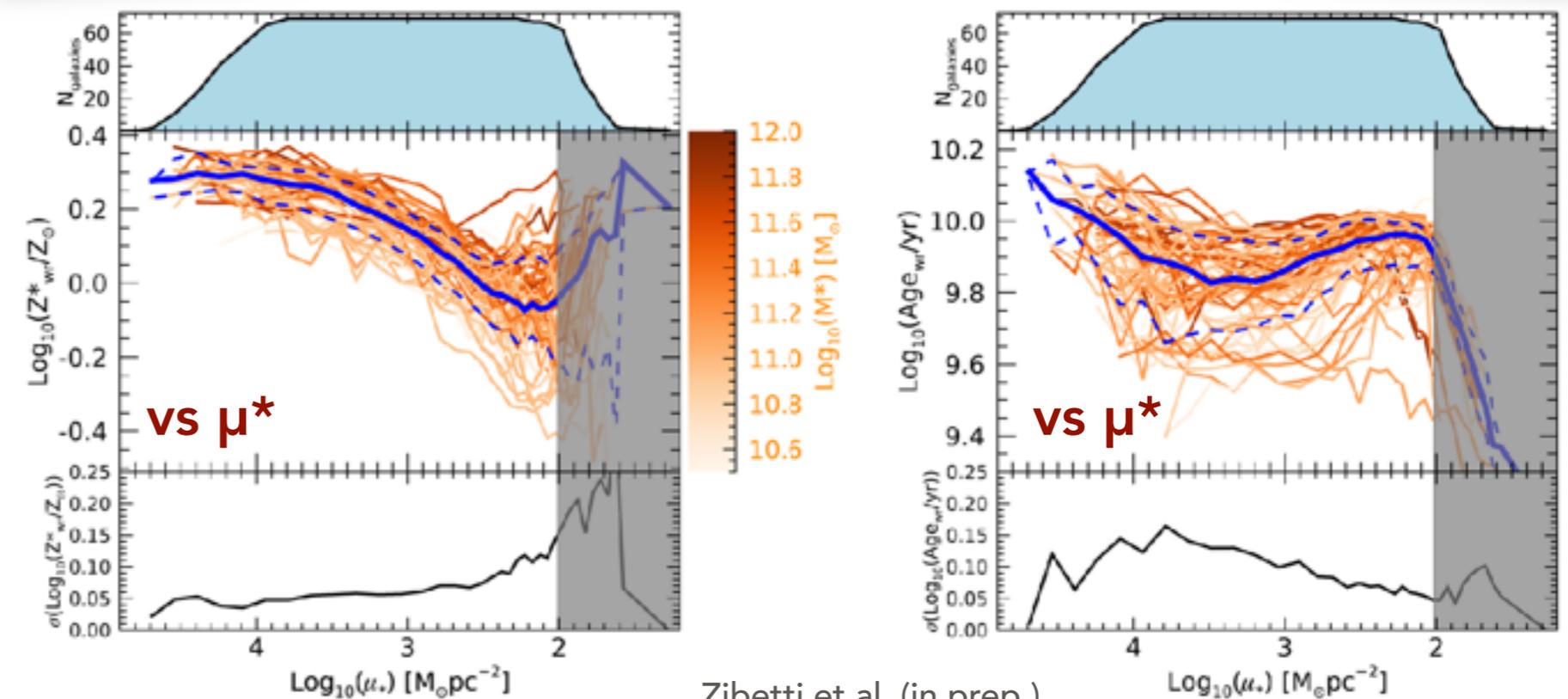
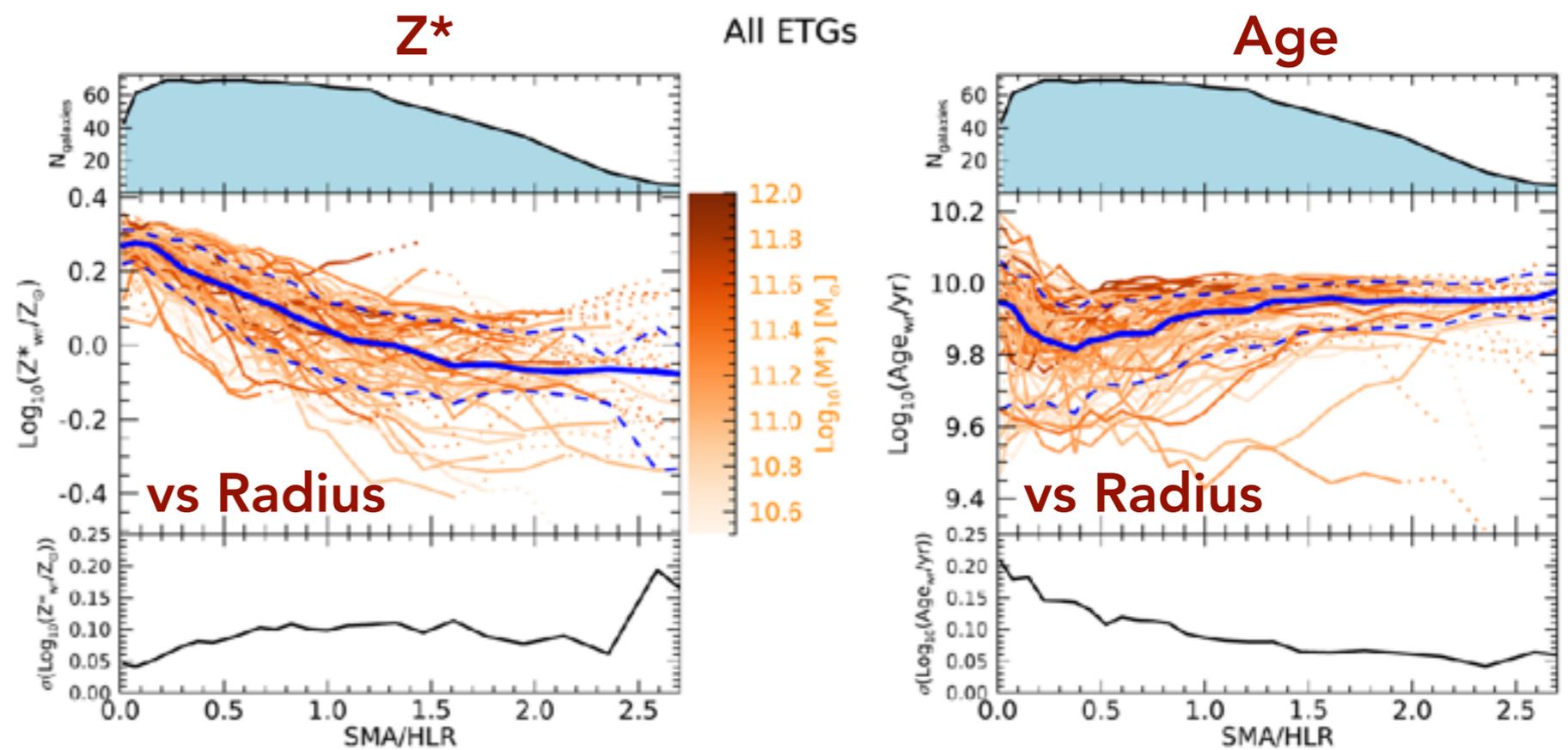
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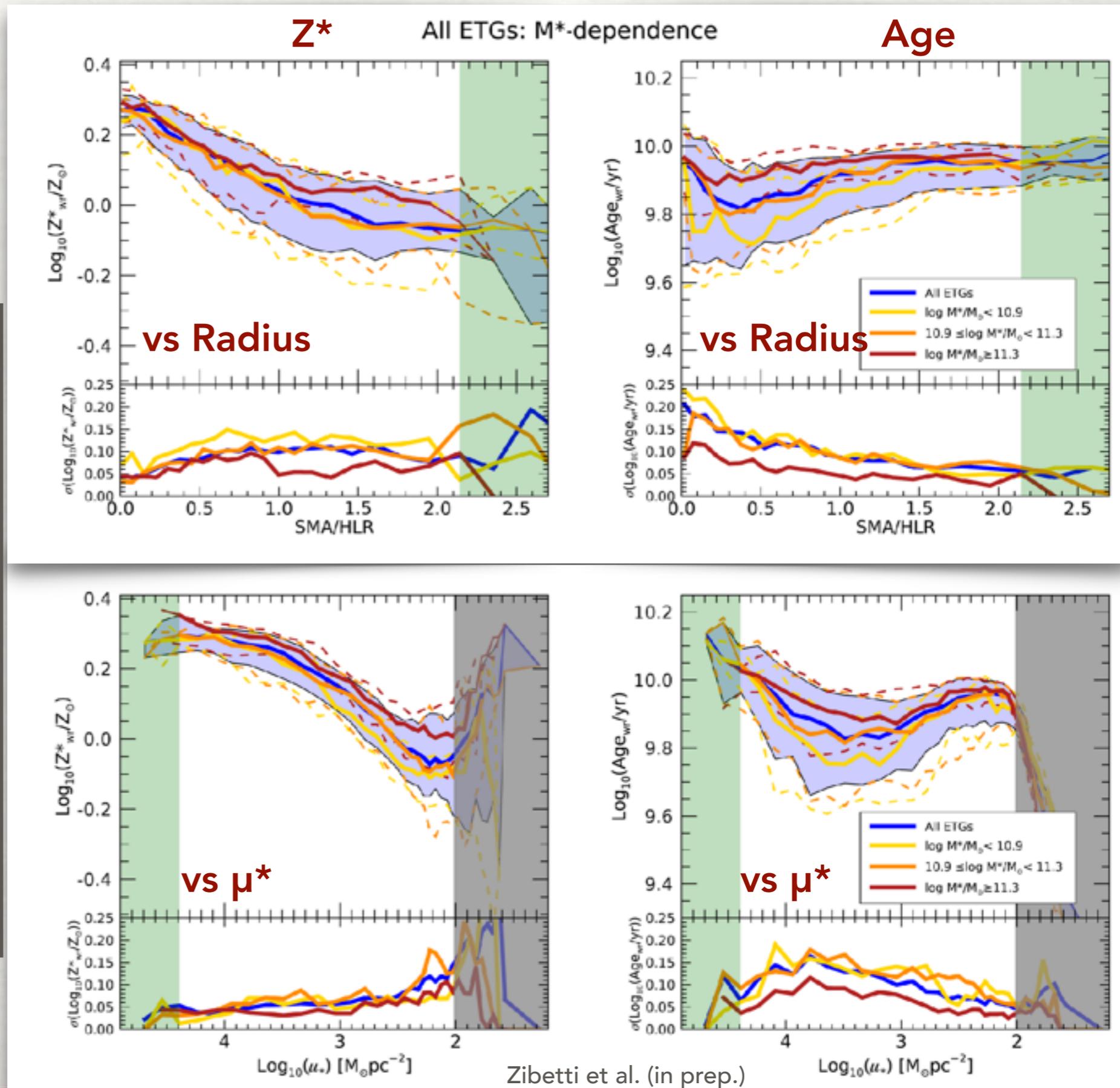
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Mass density:
total mass
dependence*

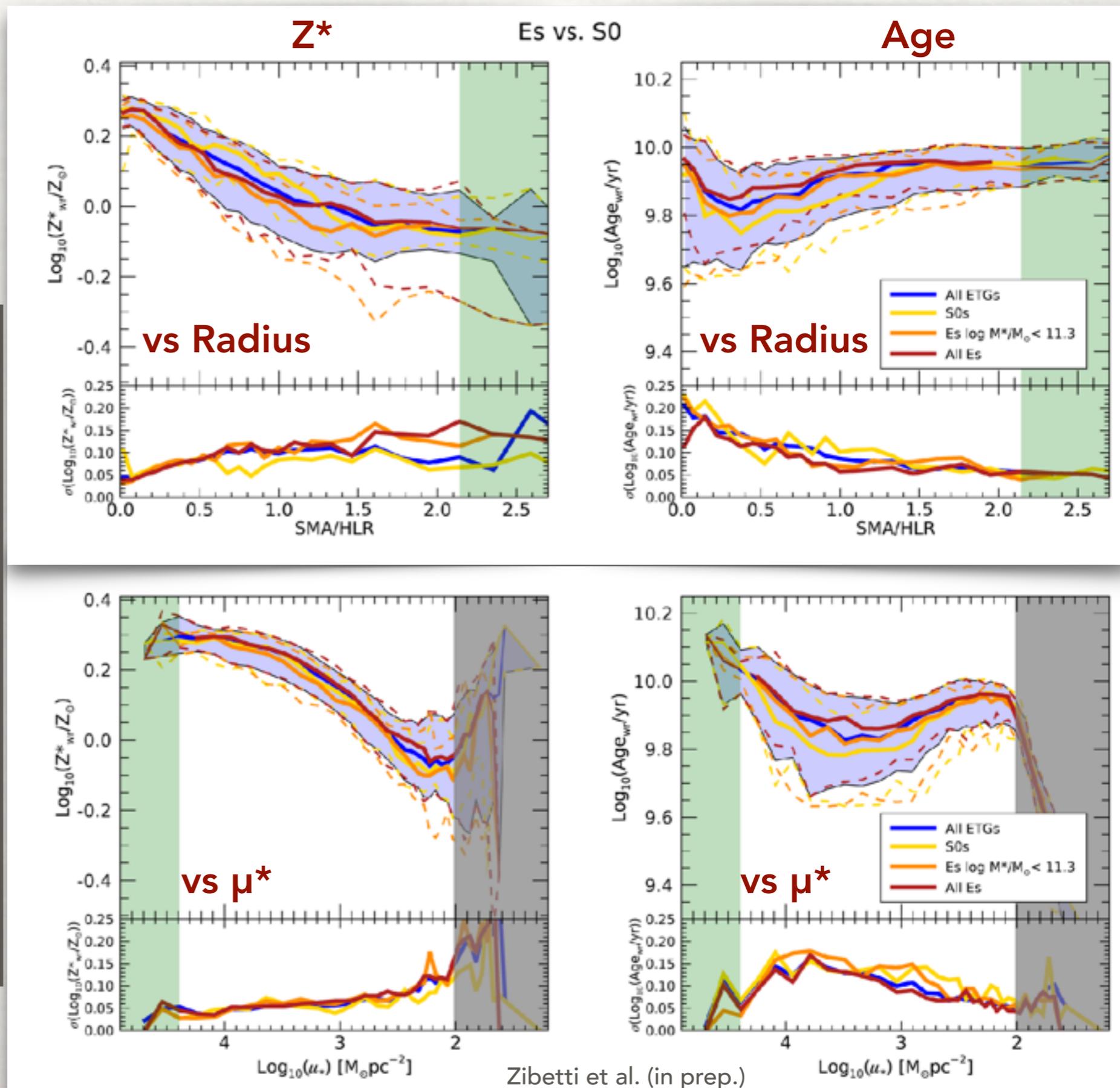
- Metallicity: almost universal μ^* - Z^* relation, residual dependence on M^* , reminiscent of MZ relation
- Age: clear dependence of age minimum (hence gradient strength) on mass



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*Radius vs Surface
Mass density:
morphology (E-S0)
dependence*

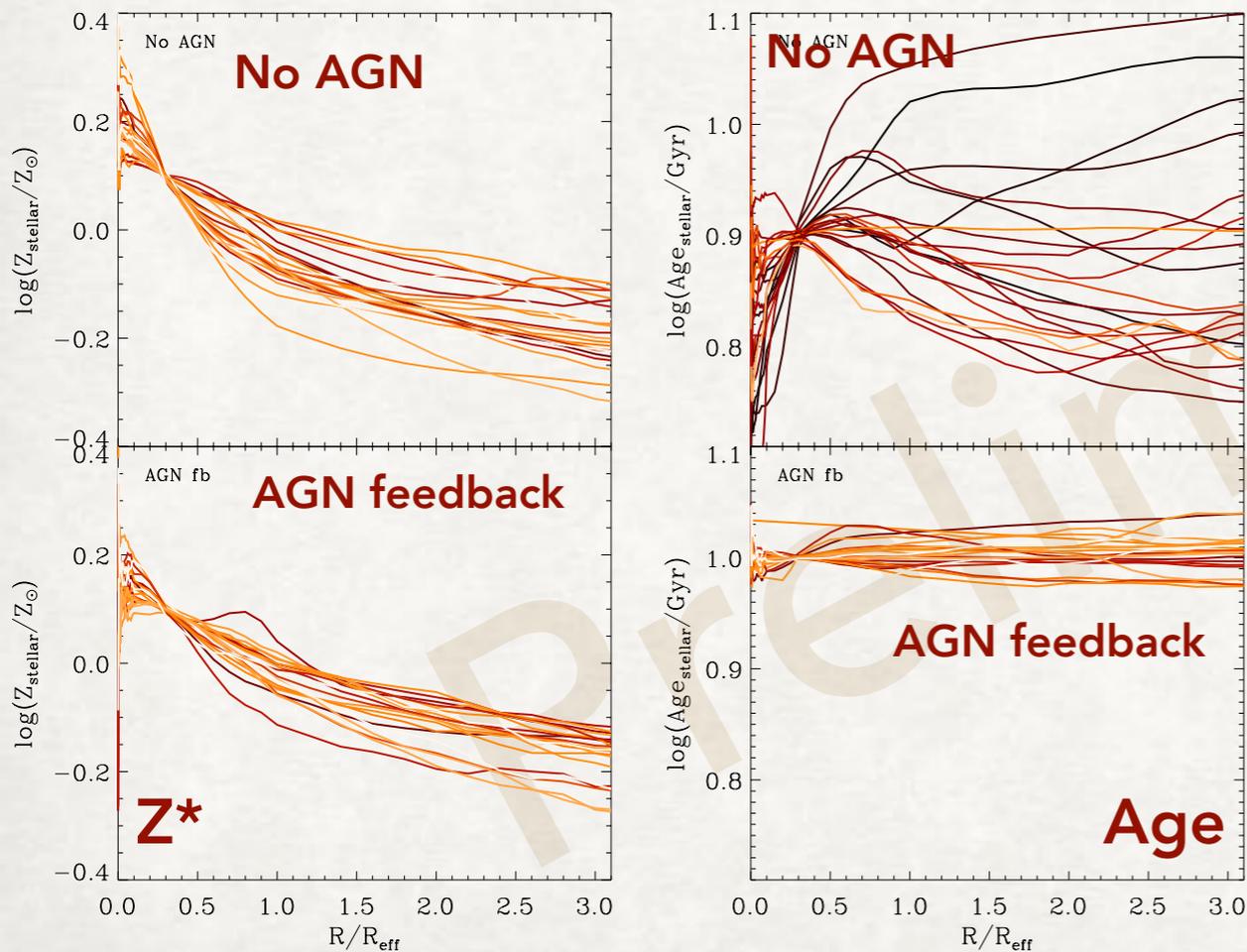
- Metallicity: no big differences, virtually identical universal μ^* - Z^* relation
- Age: S0 have lower minimum at ~ 0.4 HLR, hence stronger positive age gradient
 - Not only a mass effect!



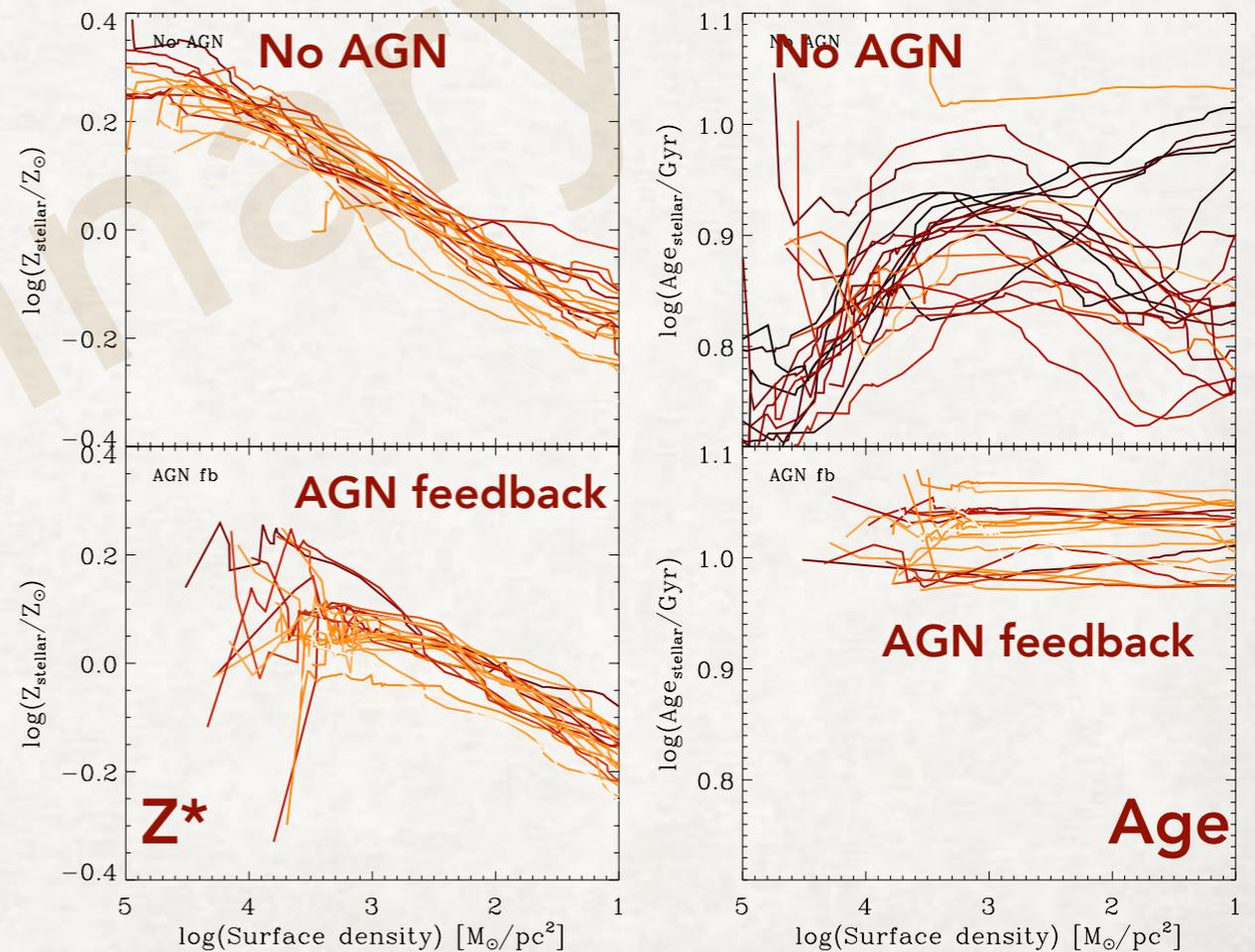
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what can we learn from / teach to simulations?

- Hard to reproduce the shapes of the stellar population profiles with “simple” AGN-feedback prescriptions even in state-of-the-art SPH simulations (zoom-in of cosmological N-body simulations)
 - Z gradients ~ok qualitatively, quantitatively better without AGN feedback
 - Age gradients are off, already qualitatively



vs Radius



vs μ^*

Hirschmann et al. (in prep.)

SUMMARY

- Overall “local” age bimodality, reflecting global structure/morphology but also driven by local mass density
 - “universal” old ridge and young sequence (consistent with inside-out)
- ETGs
 - ubiquitous negative Z^* gradients
 - “universal” μ^* - Z^* relation (tiny 0.05 dex scatter!), with small residual dependence on total M^*
 - U-shaped age profiles: minimum lower for lower M^* and for S0 (at fixed M^*) — inconsistent with inside-out scenarios; possibly hinting at mechanisms of gas inflow?
 - Hard time for models of AGN feedback... difficult to find a fit to everything