

**Nearby Clumpy, Gas Rich, Star Forming Galaxies:  
Local Analogs of High Redshift Clumpy Galaxies**



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# Local Luminous Compact Blue Galaxies

$$M_B \leq -18.5$$

$$S_{\text{Be}} \leq 21 \text{ B-mag arcsec}^{-2}$$

$$B-V \leq 0.6$$

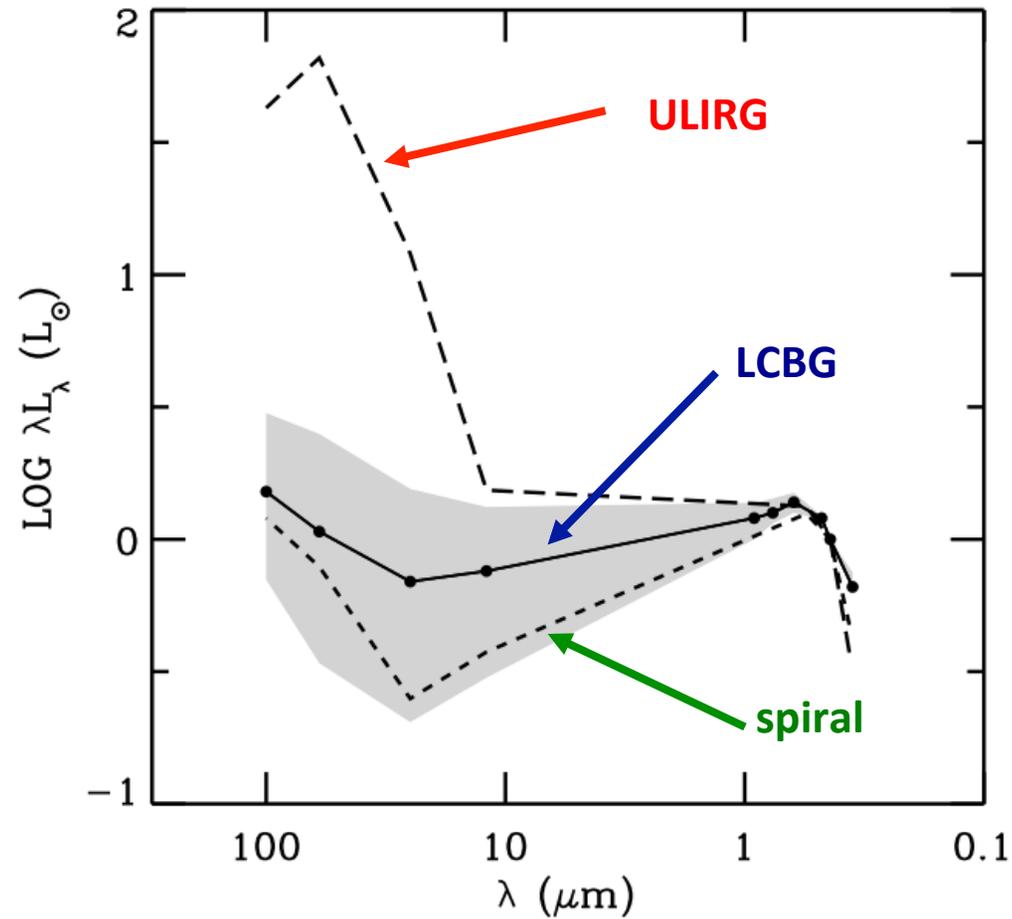
Werk et al. 2004



$\sim 10 \text{ kpc}$

SDSS DR7

# LCBGs are not local ULIRGs



Garland et al. 2004

**LCBGs are not blue compact dwarf  
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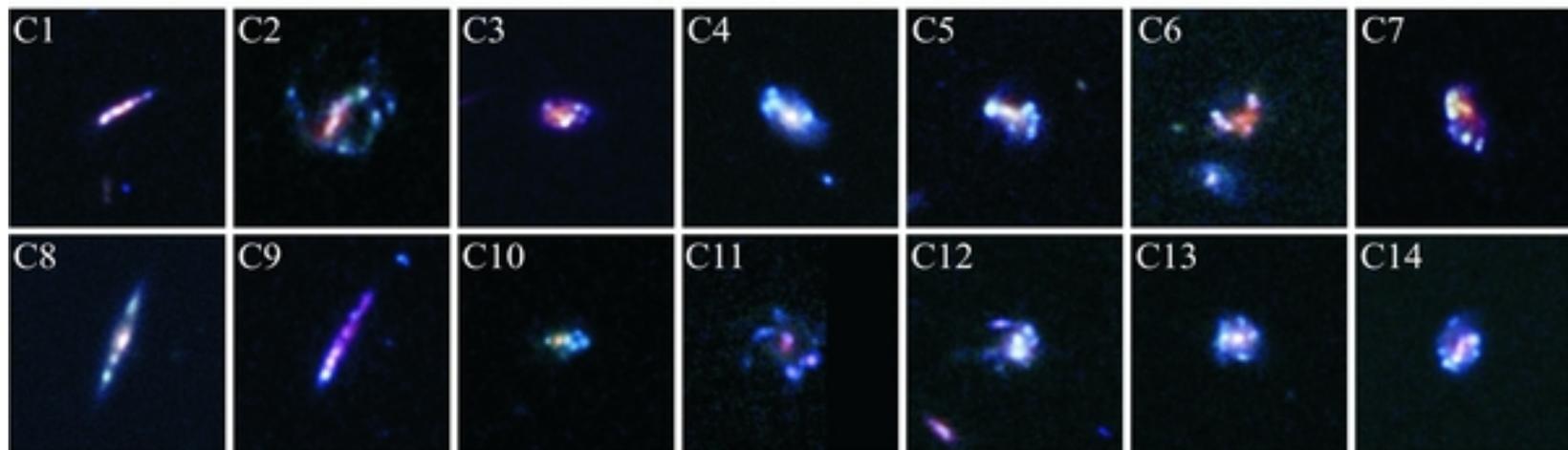
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Bournaud et al. 2012

# Sample

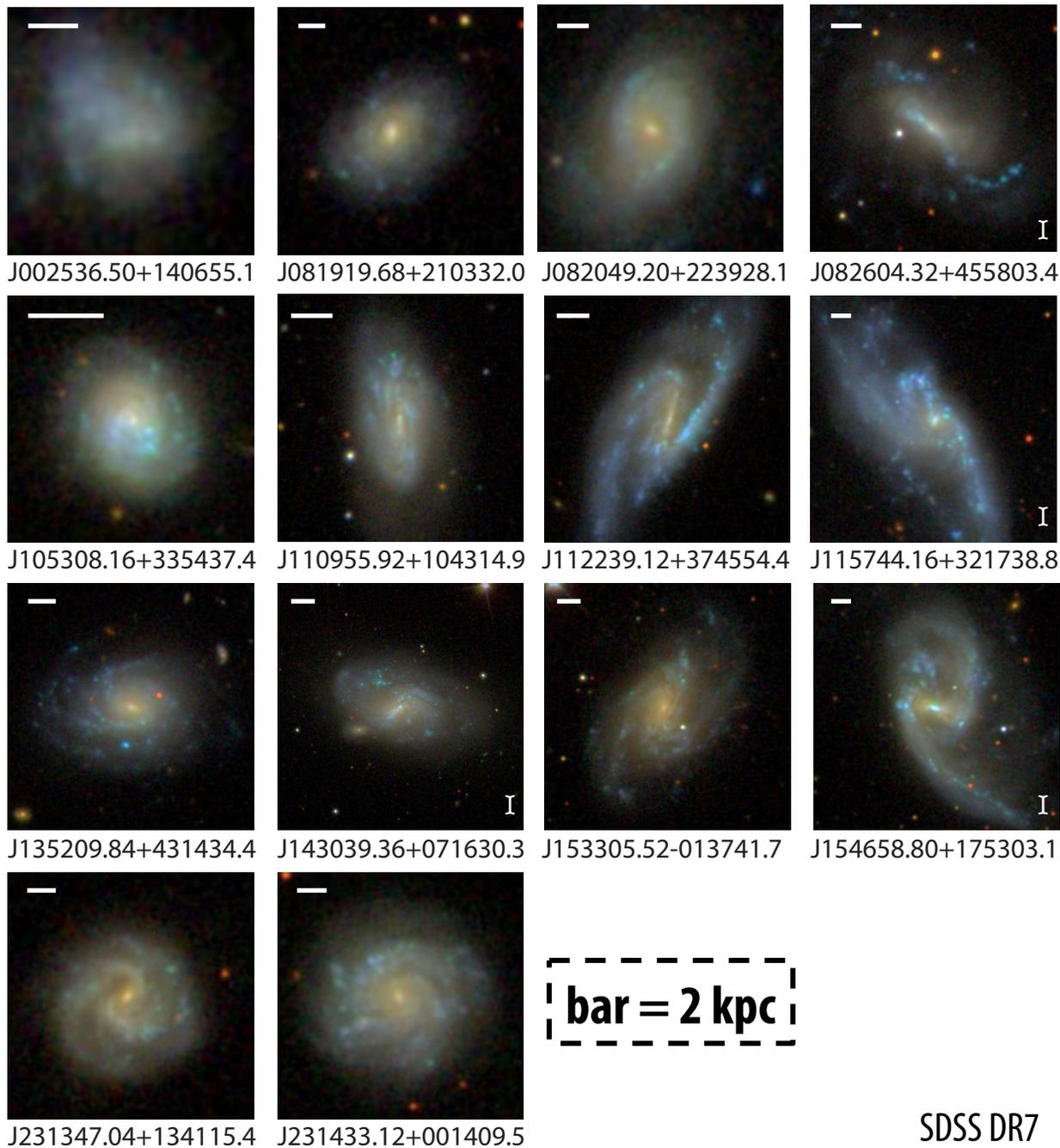


## 29 LCBGs with

- $D < 76$  Mpc.
- $H\alpha$  SFR and  $M_{\star}$  available.
- HI observations available (acquired or via archives).

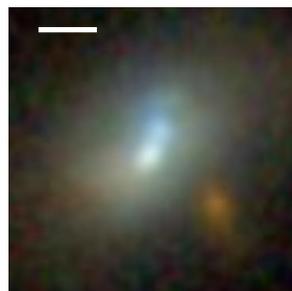
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Value Added  
Catalog

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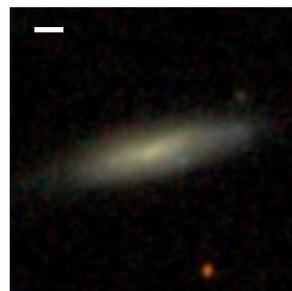


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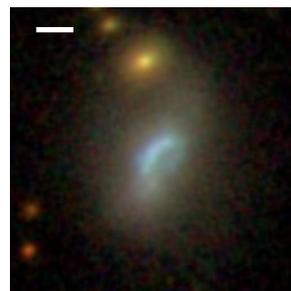
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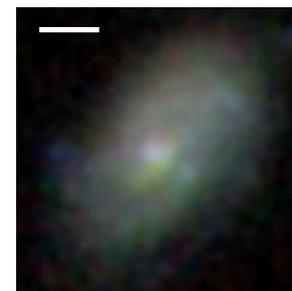
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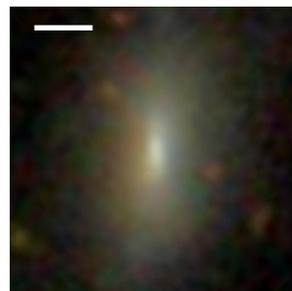
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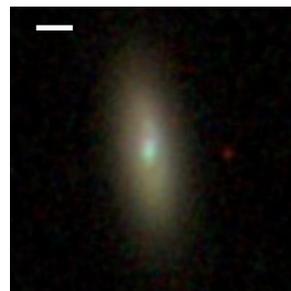
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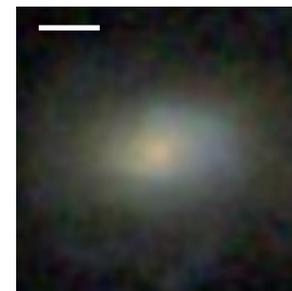
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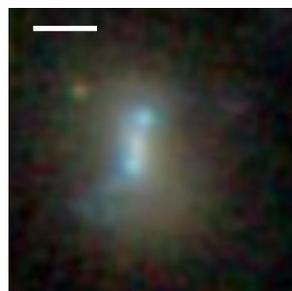
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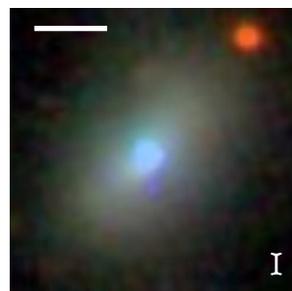
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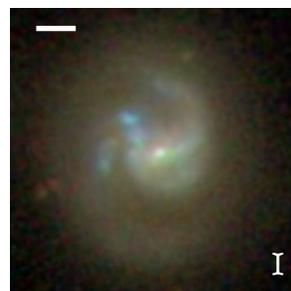
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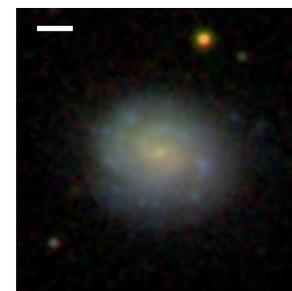
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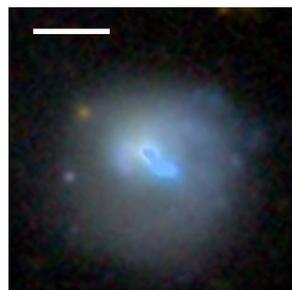
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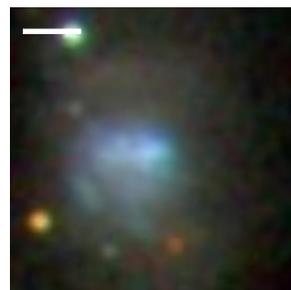
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**bar = 2 kpc**

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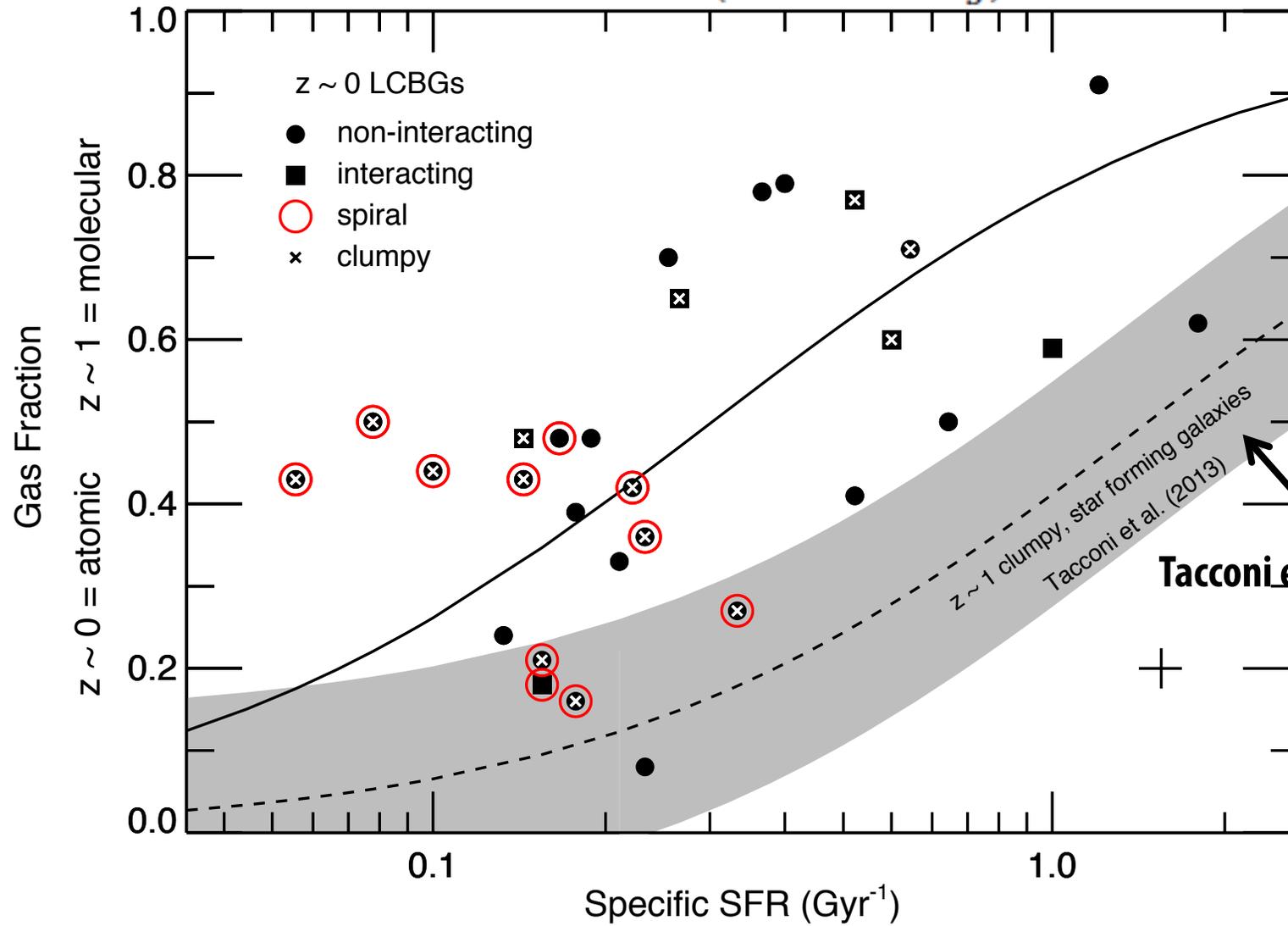
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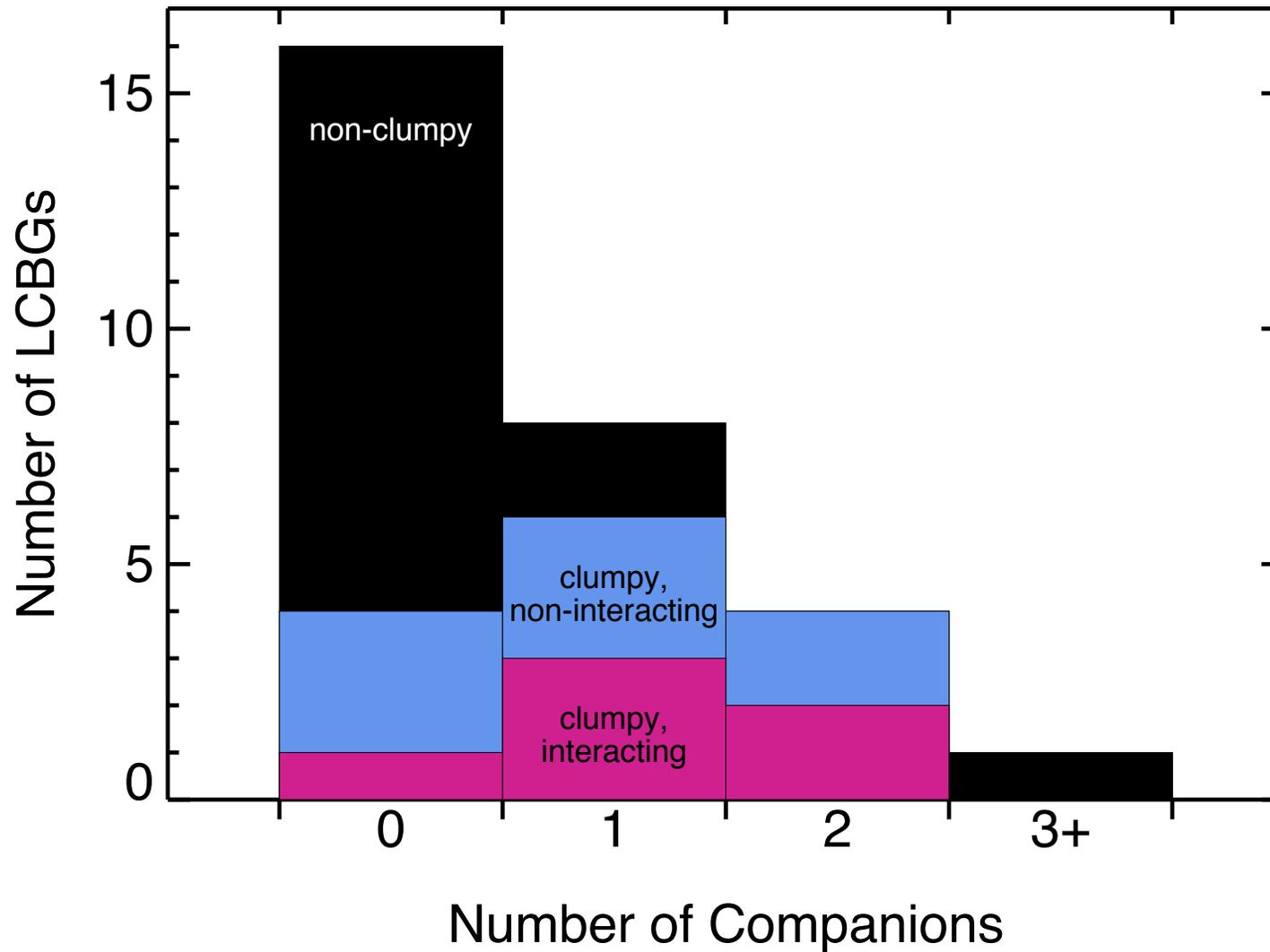
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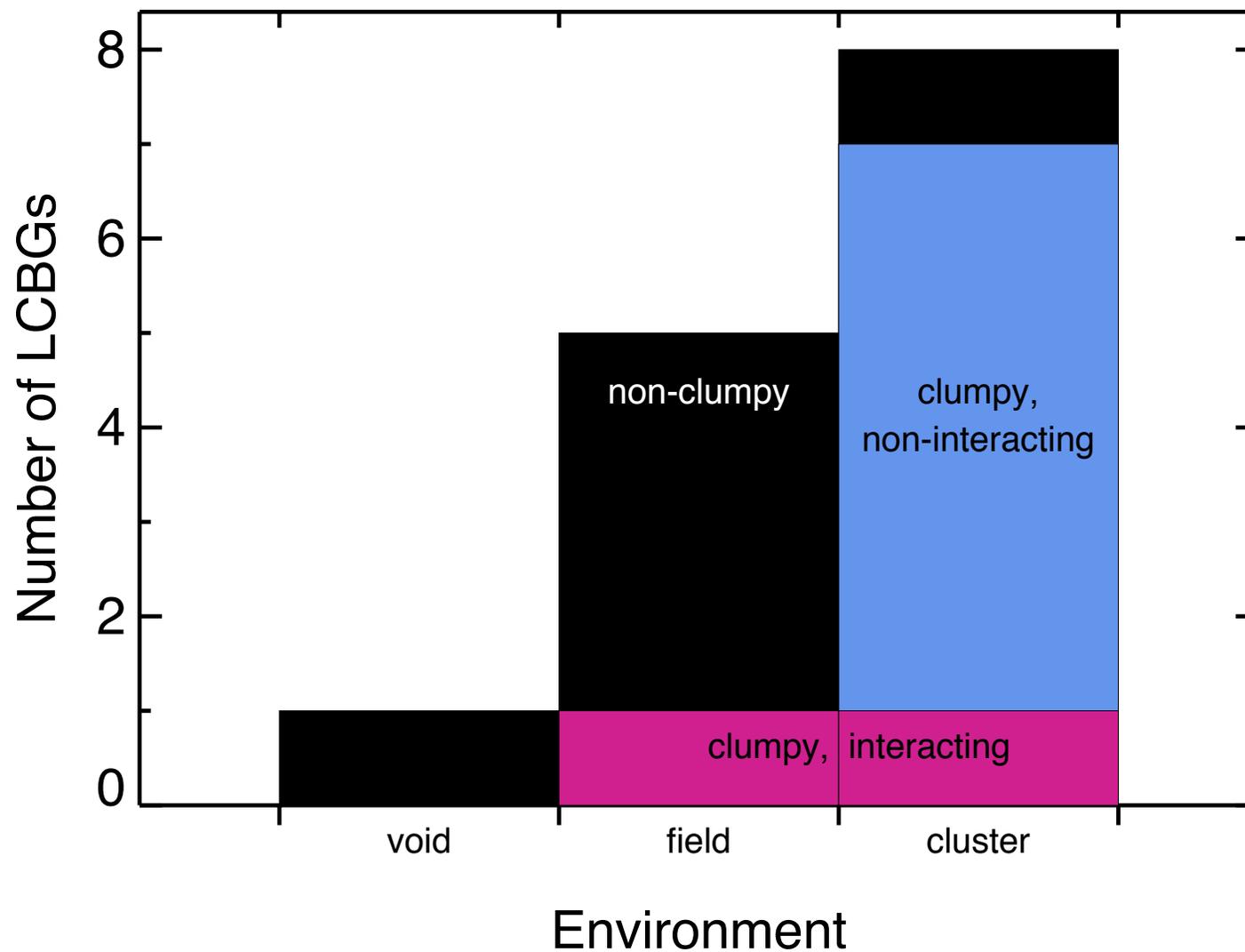
**Local LCBGs appear similar to high redshift SFGs.**

# Local Environment

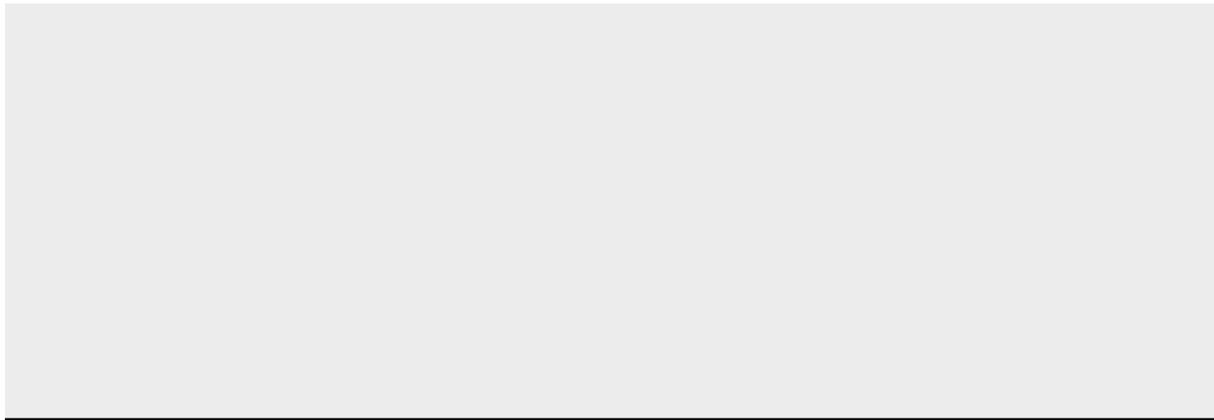


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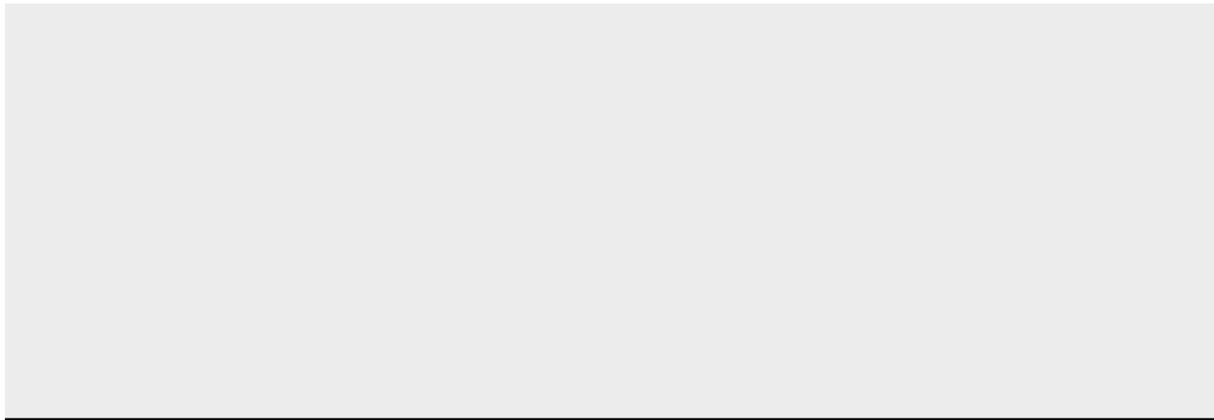


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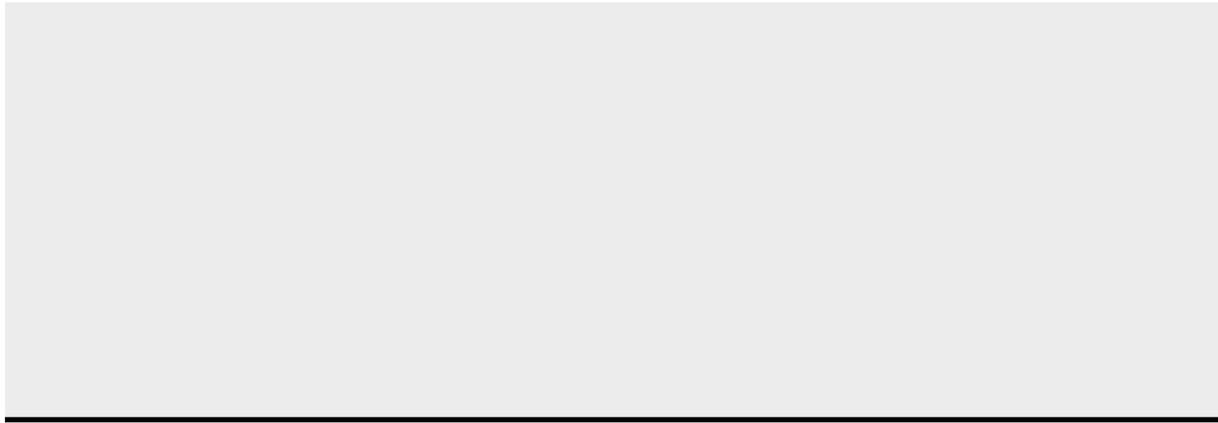


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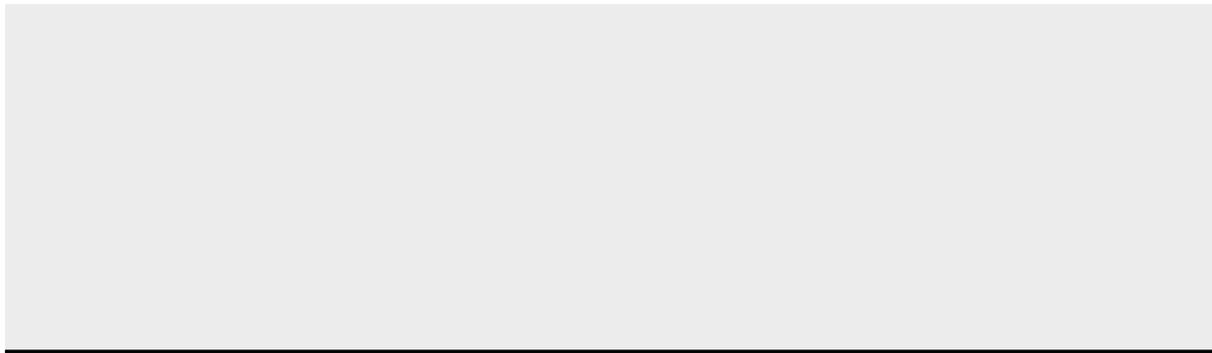
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## Local Analogs to High-z SFGs



**Local and global environments affect the method of building large gas fractions and produce clear differences in characteristics of LCBGs.**

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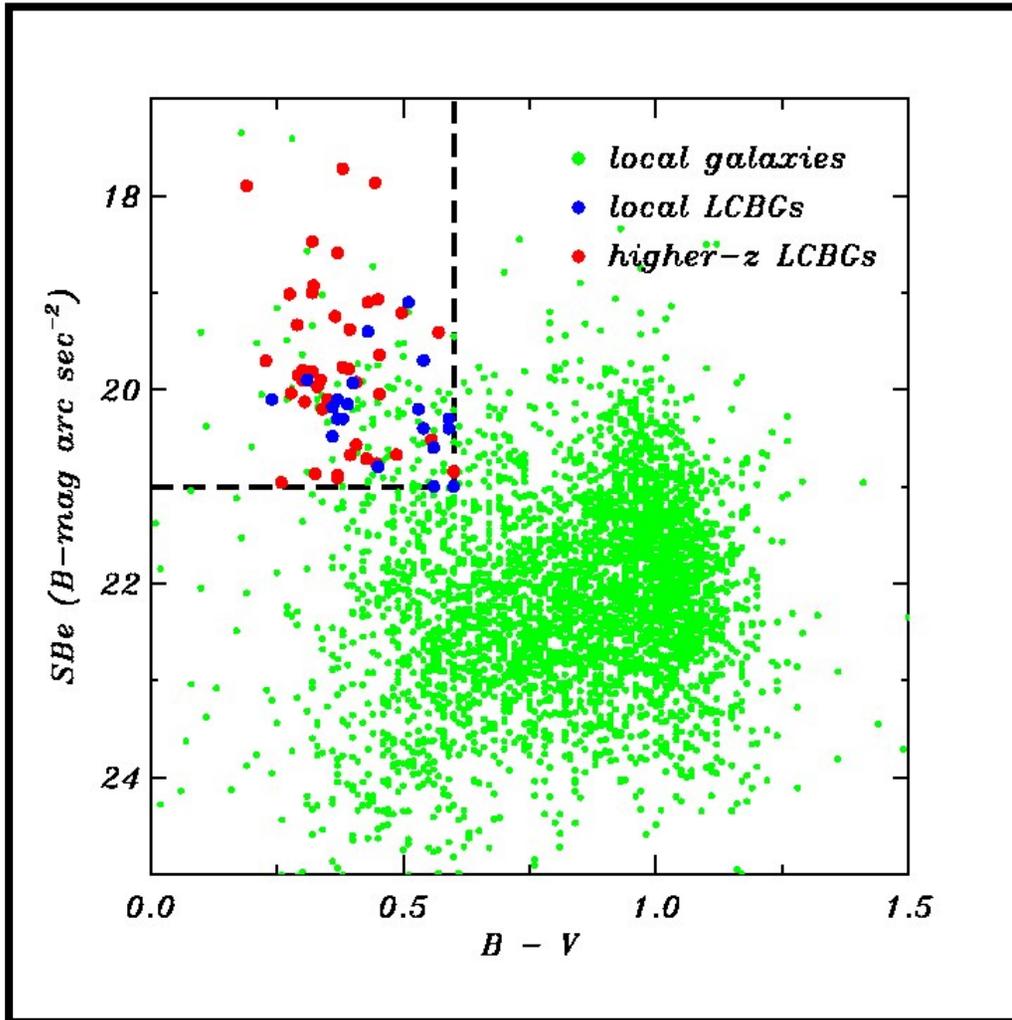


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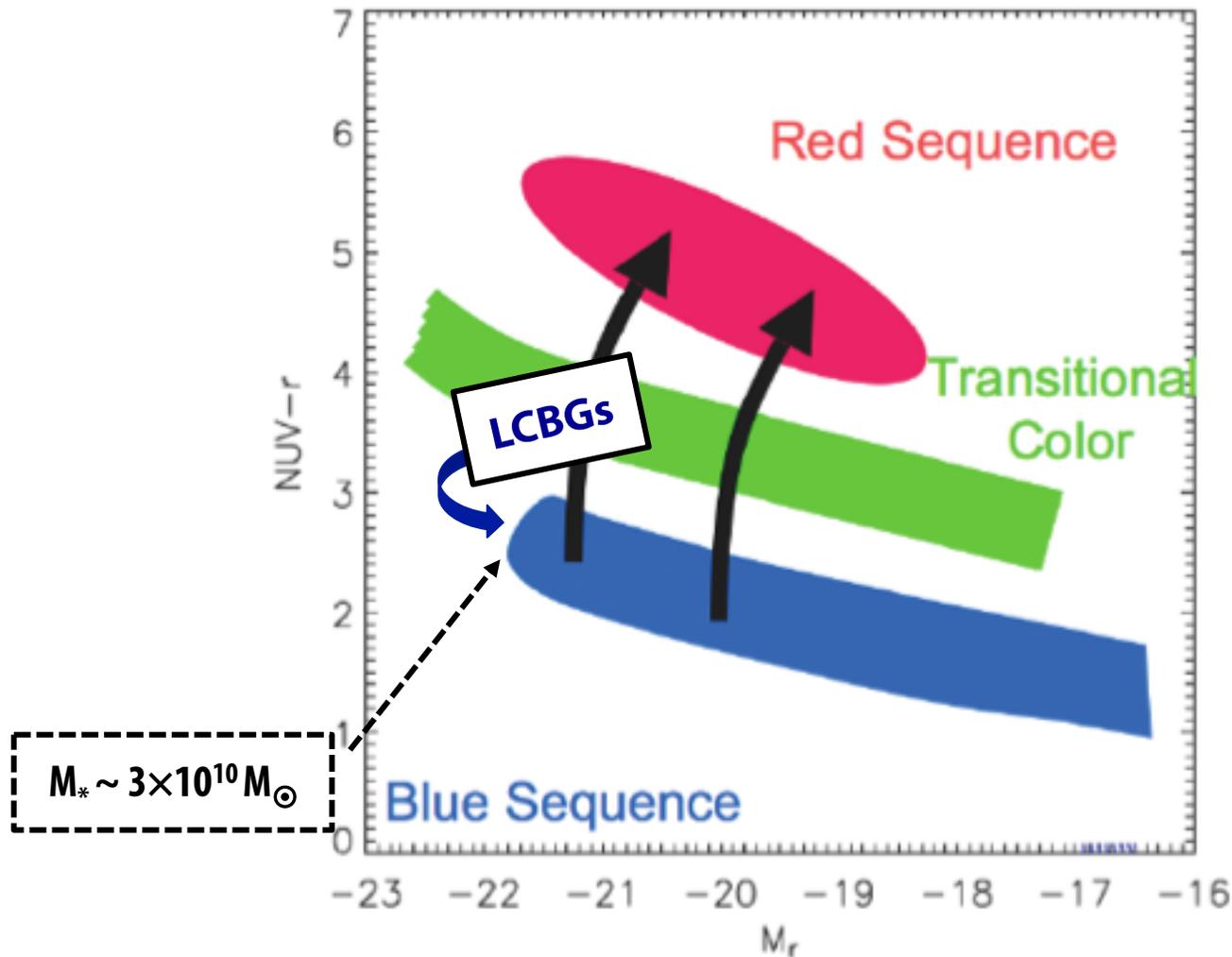
# LCBGs



**Cuts serve to define similar objects over a range of redshifts.**

- $D \leq 70 \text{ Mpc}$
- $0.4 \leq z \leq 1$

# LCBGs lie at the high-mass end of the blue sequence



e.g. Blanton et al. 2003  
graphic: Thiago S. Gonçalves