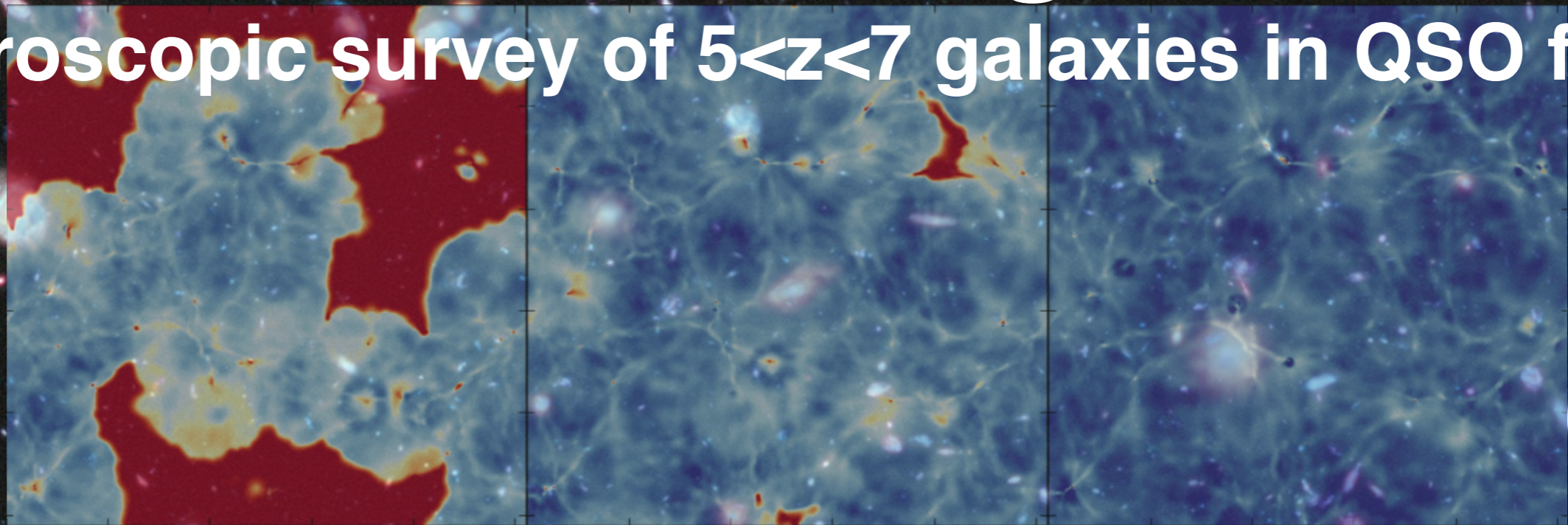


On the Role of Galaxies and AGN in Reionising the IGM:

spectroscopic survey of $5 < z < 7$ galaxies in QSO fields



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What reionized the Universe?

Gunn & Peterson (1965) paper

NOTES

ON THE DENSITY OF NEUTRAL HYDROGEN IN INTERGALACTIC SPACE

The flux can come from three sources; normal galaxies, radiogalaxies, and QSS's, and the intergalactic medium itself. The contribution from the first two sources can be estimated roughly, and almost certainly does not exceed 3×10^{-24} units at $z = 2$, of which about 10 per cent is from quasi-stellar sources (assuming that one can extrapolate the visual radiation into the UV with a spectral index of -0.7 , and assuming a present space density of $[600 \text{ Mpc}]^{-3}$).

- 50 years old problem!

What reionized the universe? Problem 1 “escape fraction”

COSMIC REIONIZATION AFTER PLANCK: COULD QUASARS DO IT ALL?

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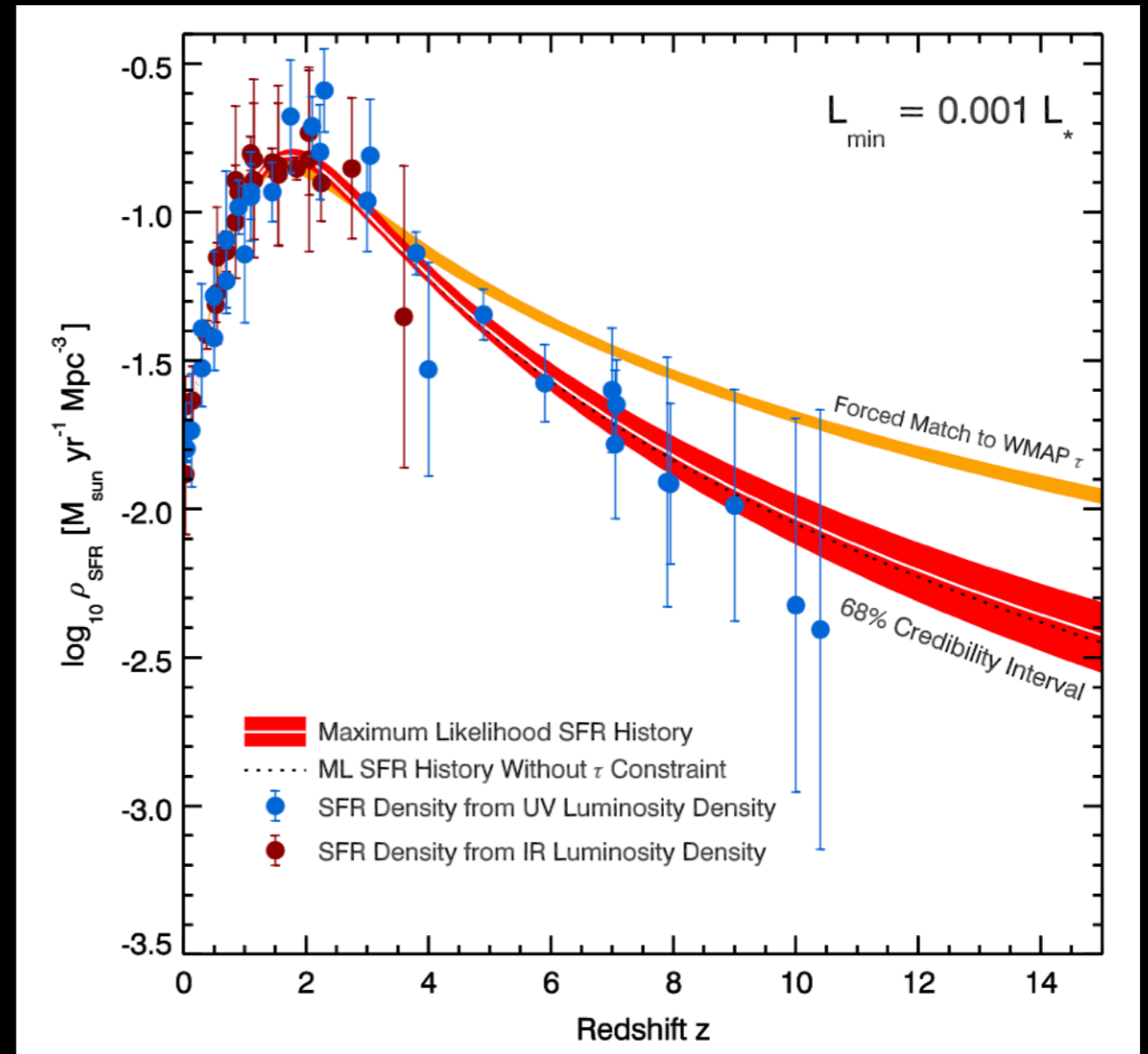
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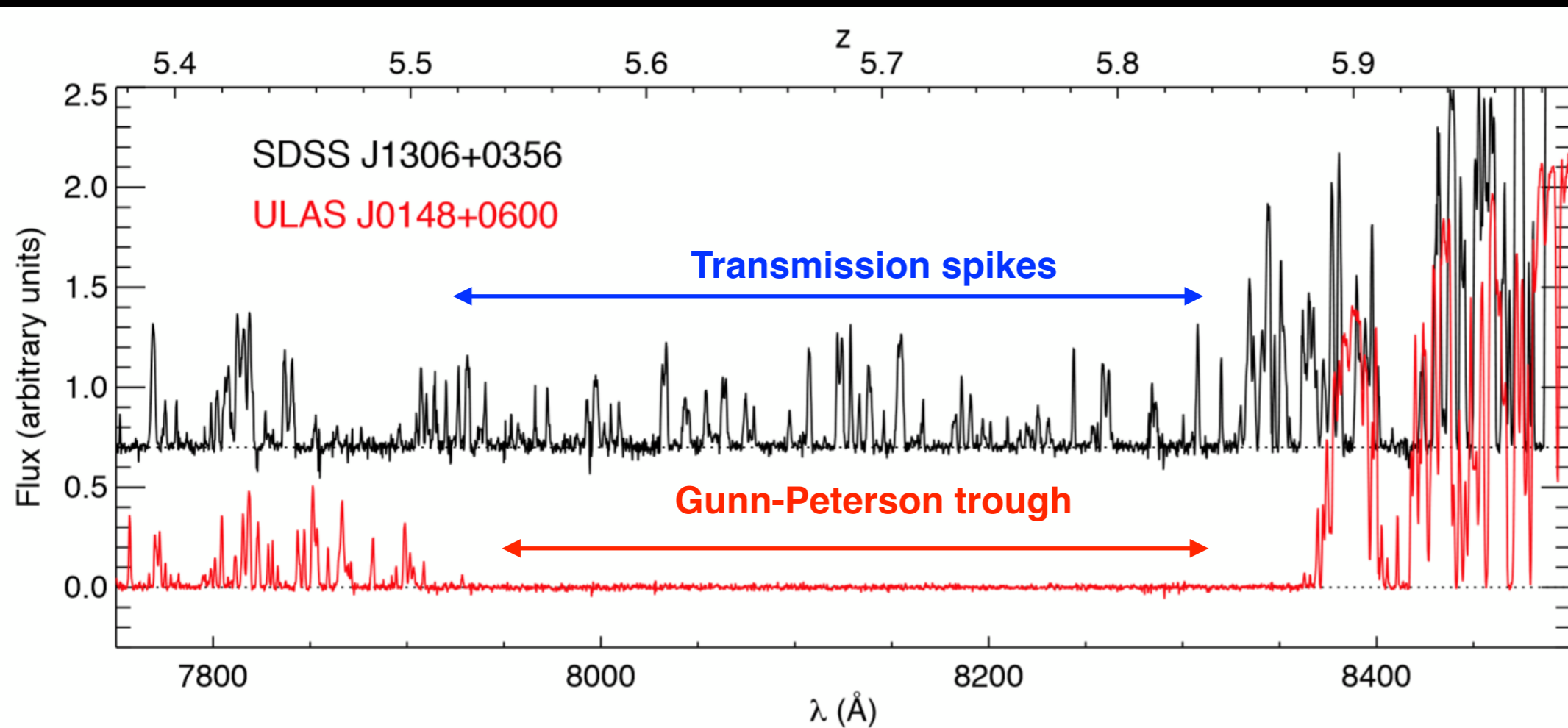
AGN?



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*HST galaxy demographics
can drive reionisation but
“Unknown f_{esc} ”*



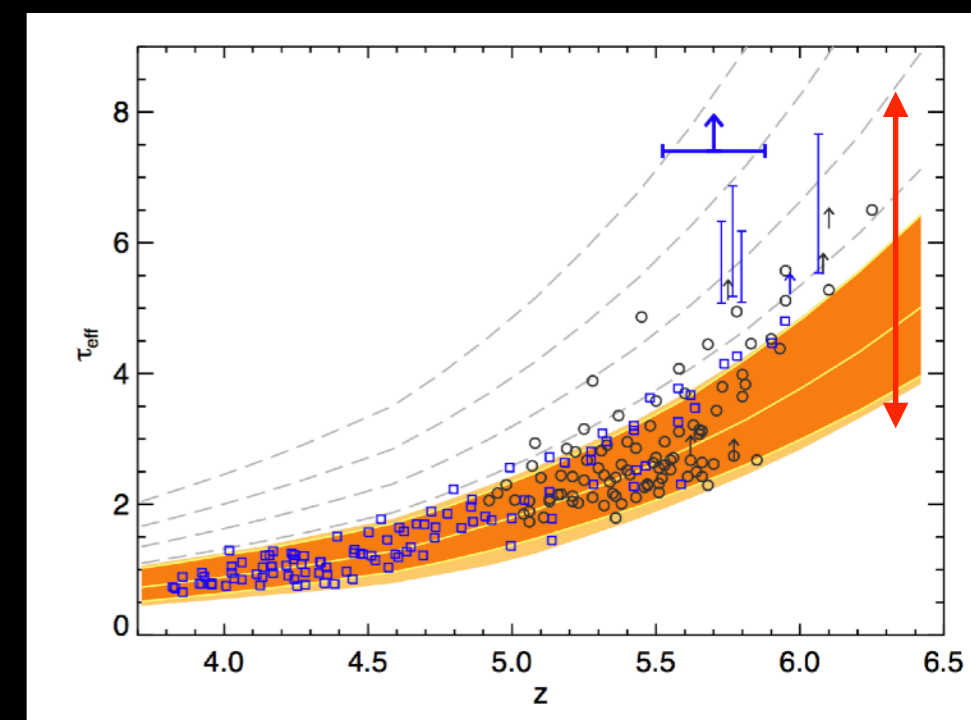
What reionized the universe?
Problem 2 “Faint vs Luminous systems”



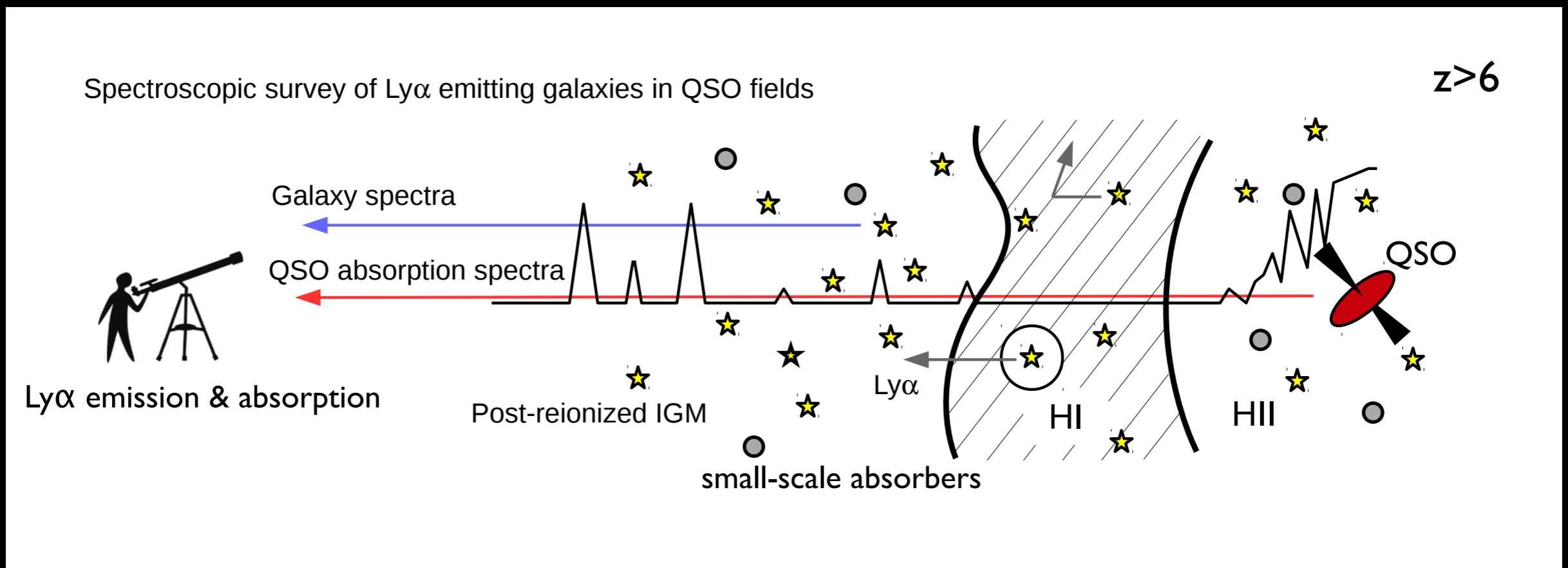
Becker+15
also Bosman+18

2.
*Huge variation of the intergalactic
Lyman alpha optical depth at $z > 5.5$*
Difficult with faint galaxies..
Need of luminous systems, e.g. AGN?
thermal fluctuations? mean free path?

e.g. Chardin+16, D'Aloisio+16, Davies+16



*Testing what reionized the universe:
Probing the direct influence of galaxies on the Ly α forest at $z > 5$*



“Ly α probing Ly α ”

*A reionisation-era extension of idea in
COS-halos (Tumlinson et al 2013 etc)*

Keck Baryonic Structure Survey (Steidel et al) e.g. Rudie+12, Turner+14

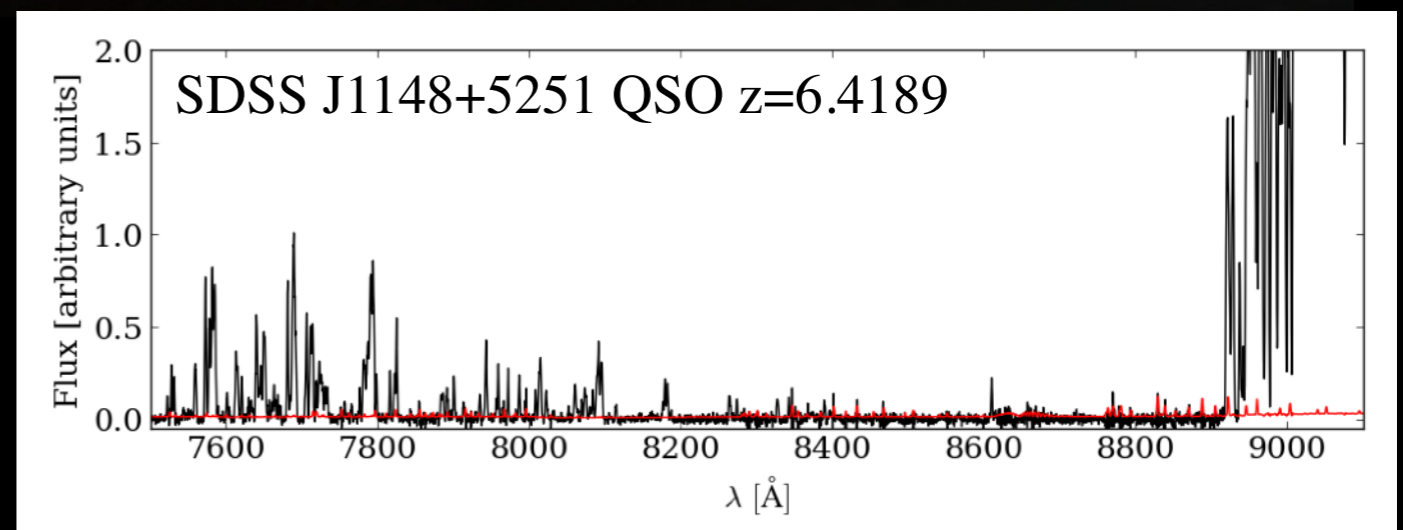
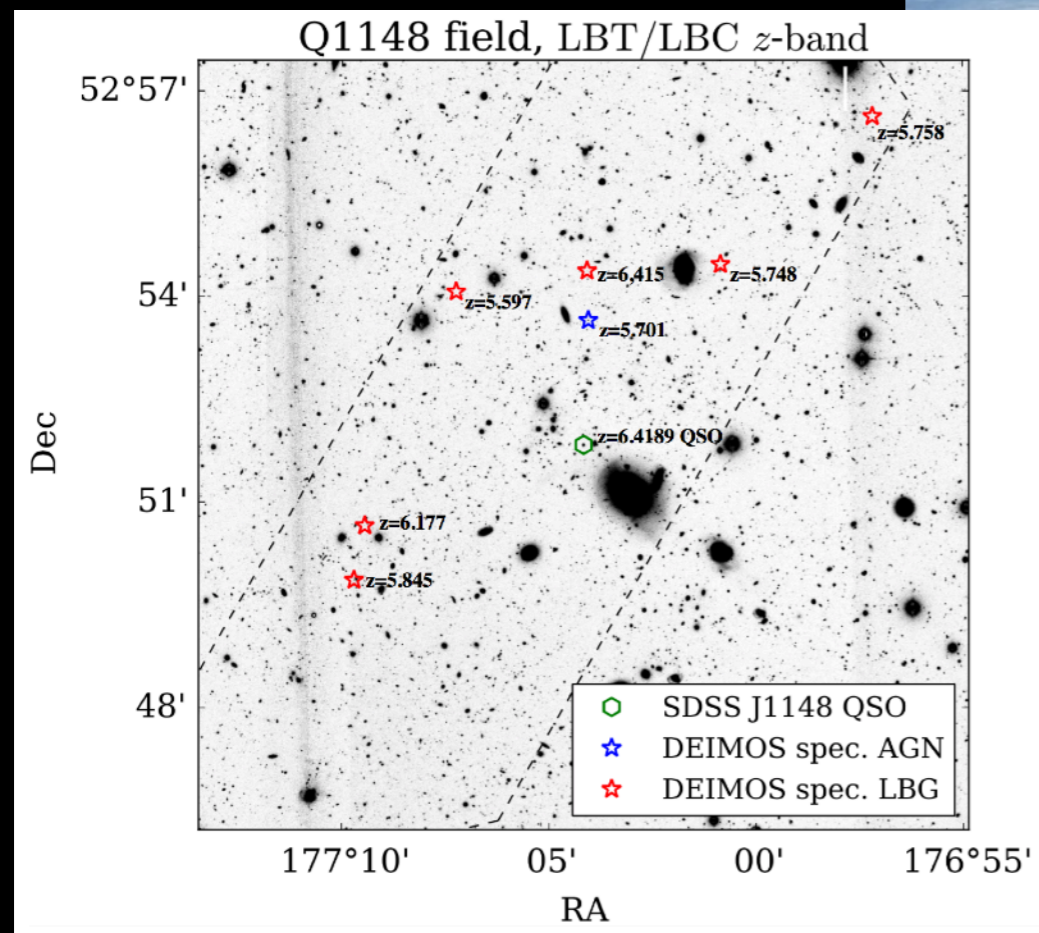
and Quasar Probing Quasar Survey (Hennawi & Prochaska et al) e.g. Prochaska+13, Schmidt+17



Keck spectroscopy of $5 < z < 7$ galaxies around the Ly α forest of a background QSO field

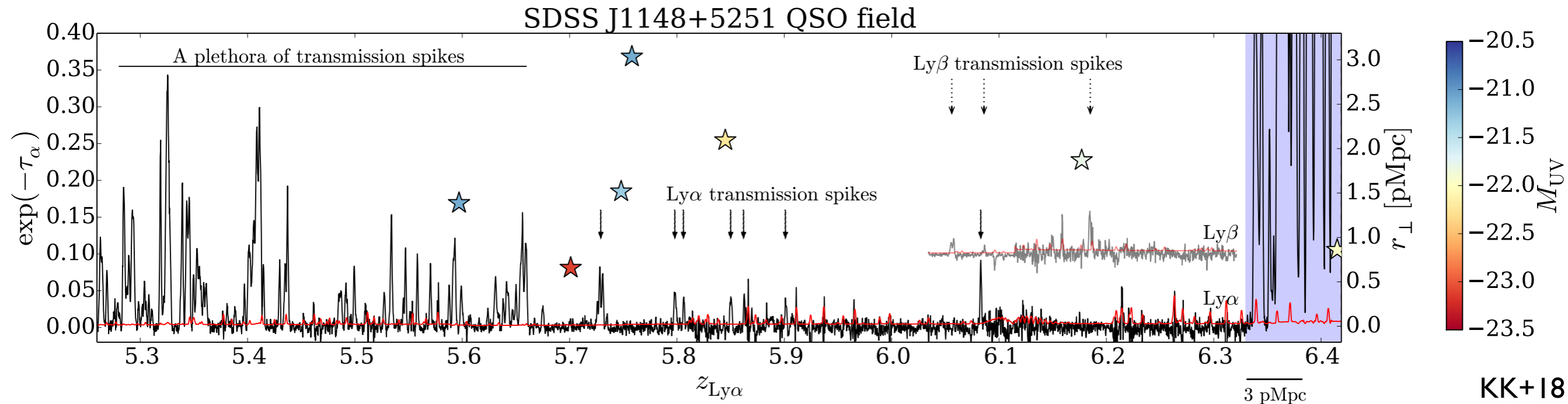
Survey design:

DEIMOS spectroscopy of bright LBGs (r- and i-dropouts, z mag < 25.5) in the foreground of well-known QSO $z \sim 6$ (Keck/ESI QSO spectra)



Ly α emitting Lyman-break galaxies in J1148+5251 QSO field

“Direct mapping of the physical state of the IGM around galaxies at $z \sim 6$ ”



Cosmological hydrodynamic simulation
+ simple radiative transfer

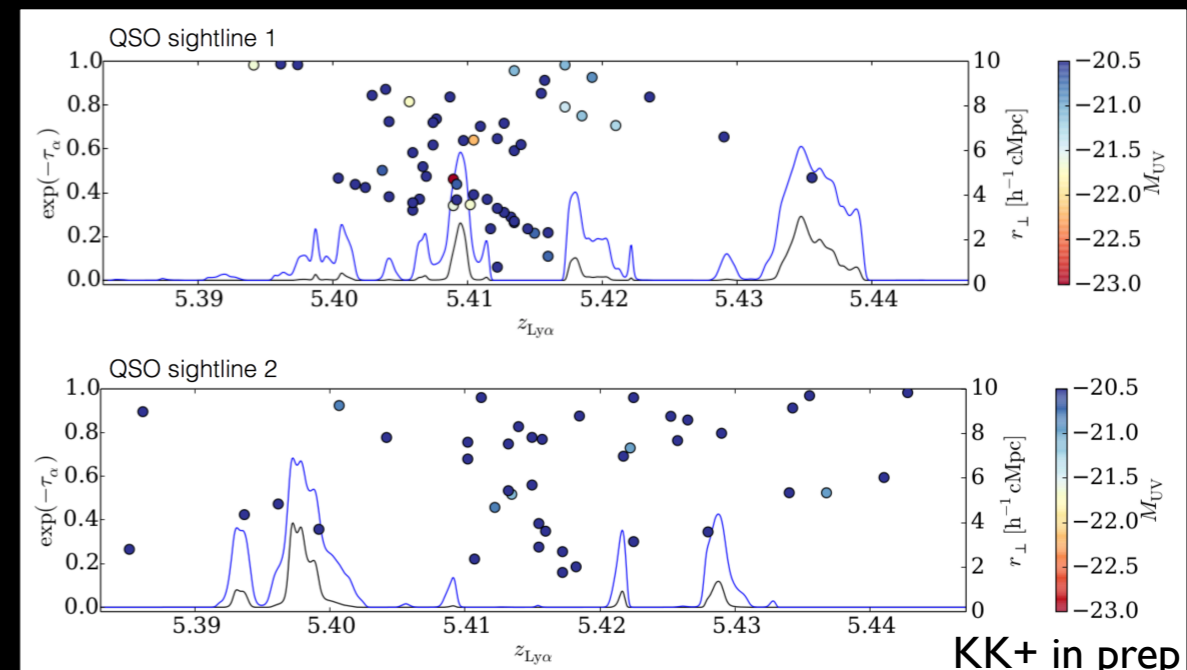
Ionising UV radiation from galaxies \rightarrow

more Ly α transmission spikes around galaxies
but the individual associations are “stochastic”

Ly α optical depth

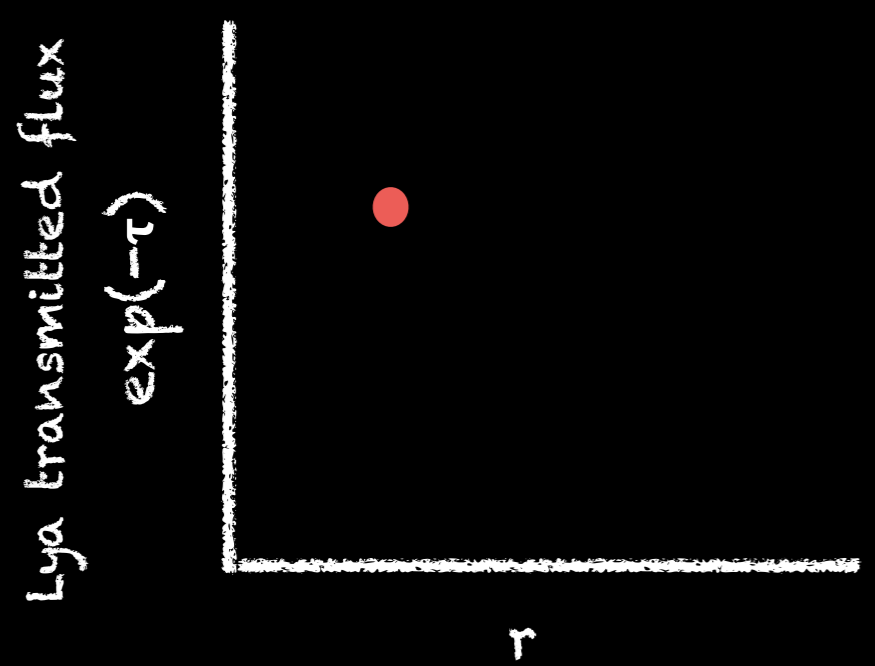
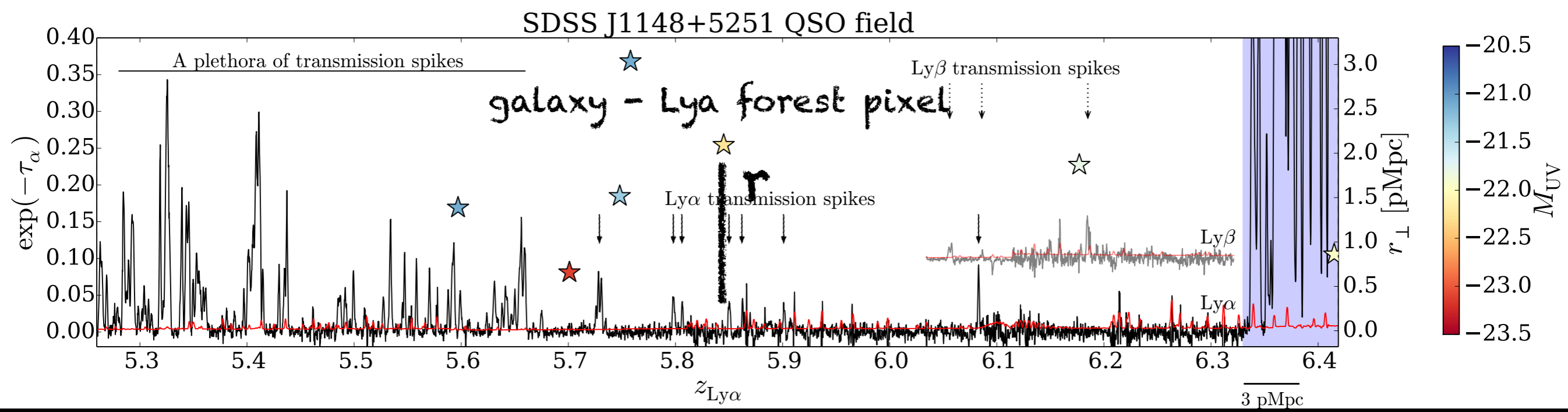
$$\tau_\alpha \simeq 11(1 + \delta_m)^2 \left(\frac{\Gamma_{\text{HI}}}{10^{-12} \text{ s}^{-1}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{T}{10^4 \text{ K}} \right)^{-0.72} \left(\frac{1+z}{7} \right)^{9/2}$$

Gas density UV background Temperature



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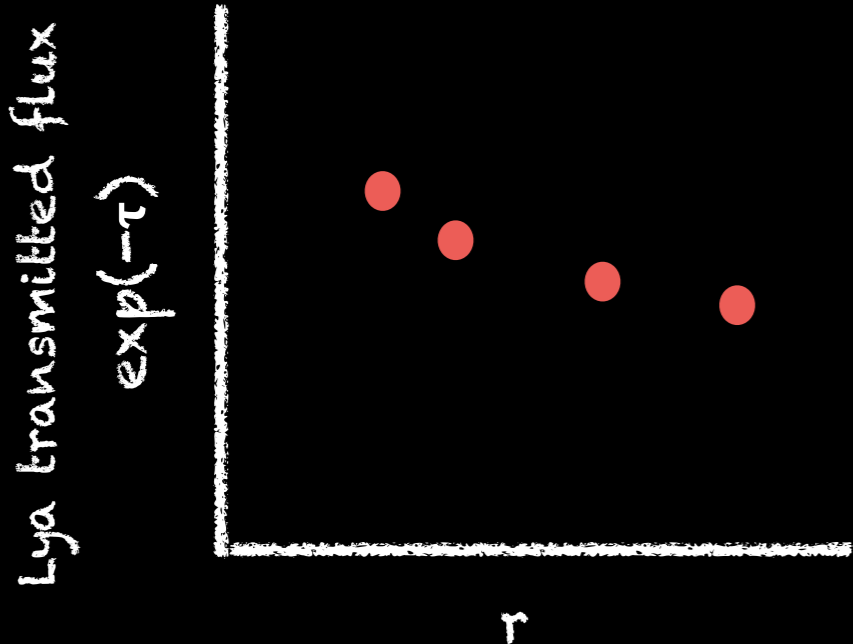
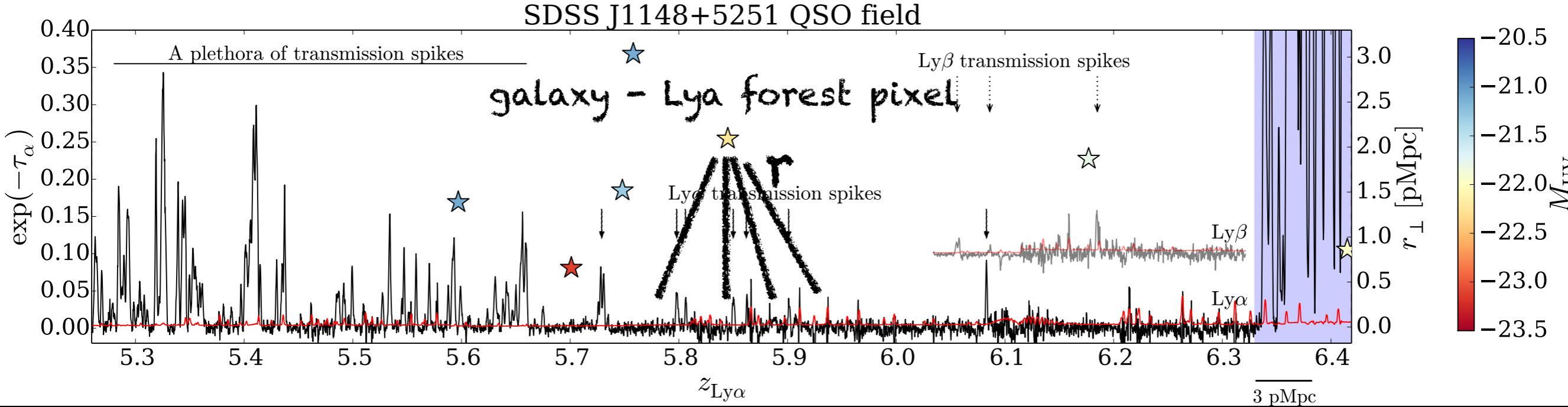
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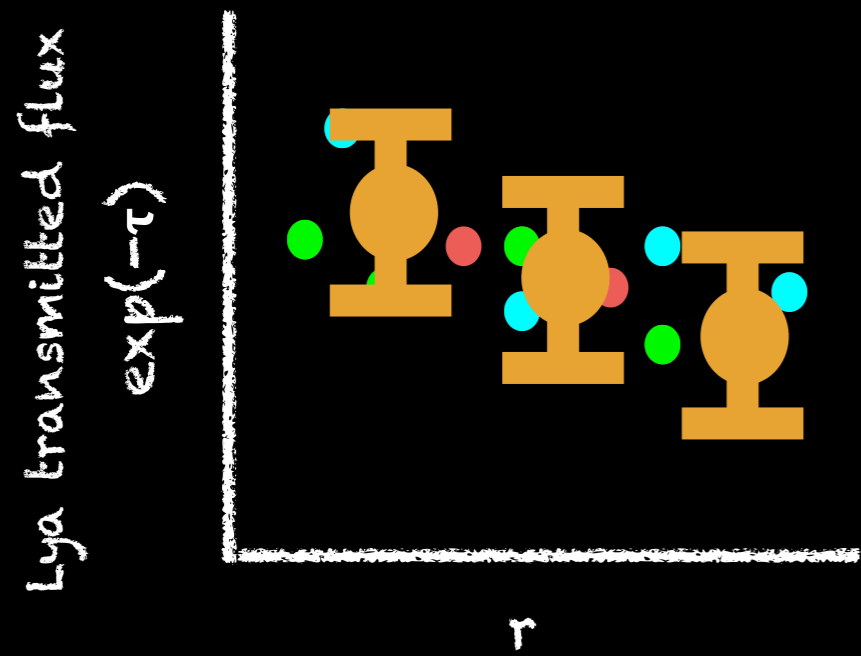
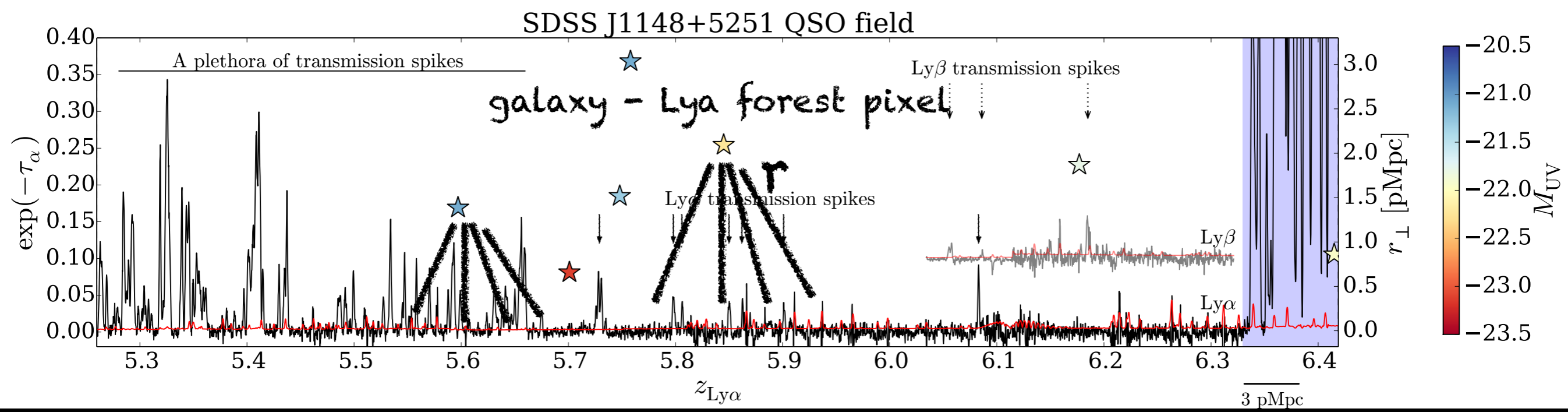
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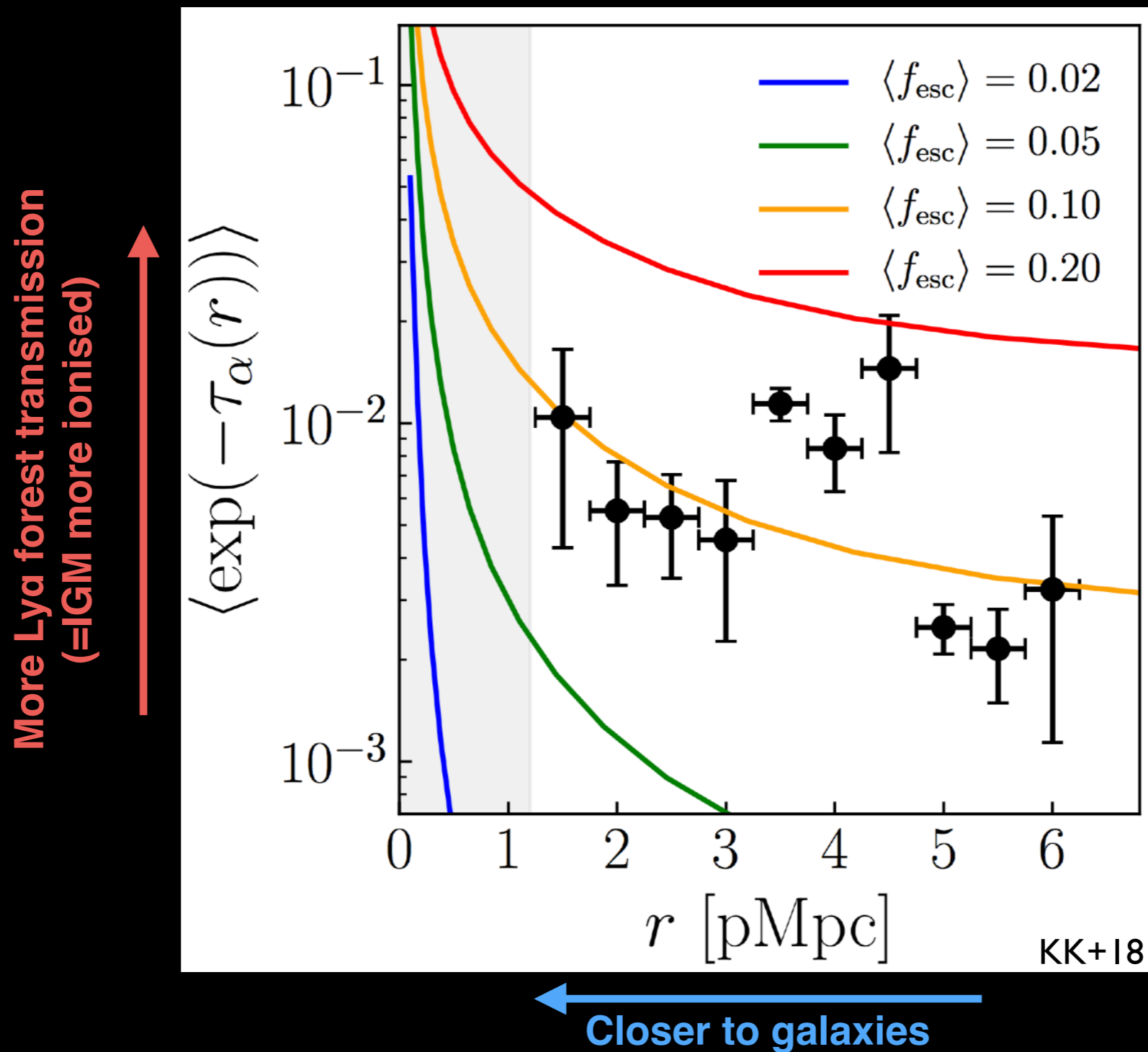
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Cross-correlate... well, just take the MEAN Ly α transmitted flux around LBGs

Mean Ly α transmitted flux around LBGs at $z \sim 5.8$



*“Tentative”, but promising, evidence of
“Statistical HI proximity effect” ?*

*More QSO field observations
are on-going and now being
analysed to secure this!!*

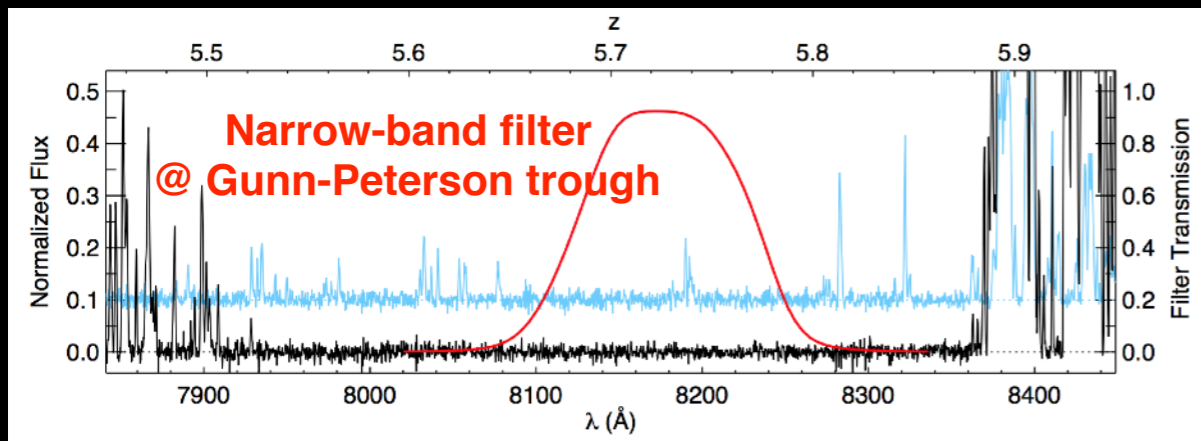
Independent test of statistical HI proximity effect

Statistical HI proximity effect →

more galaxies around high Ly α forest transmission



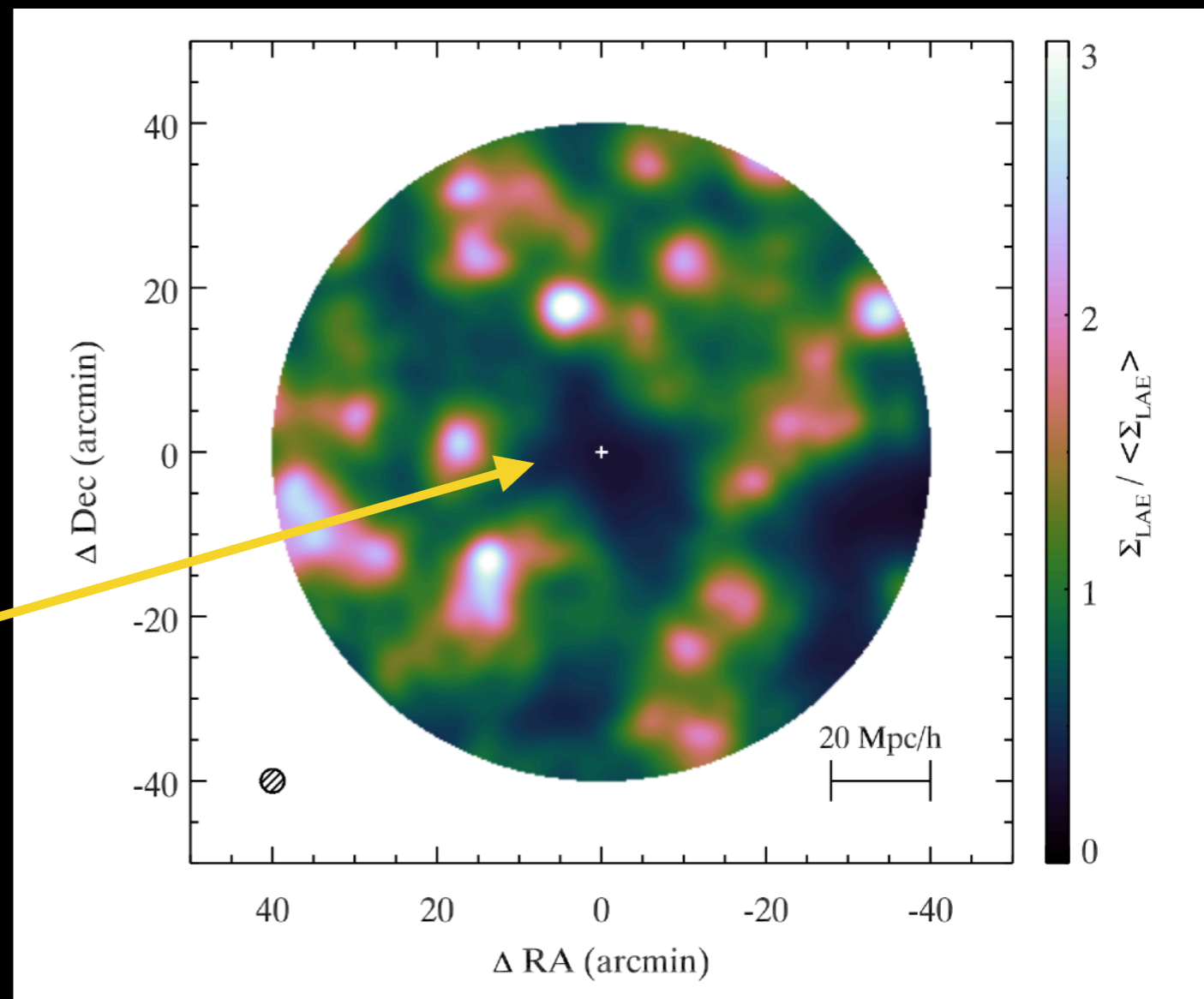
“less galaxies around Gunn-Peterson troughs”



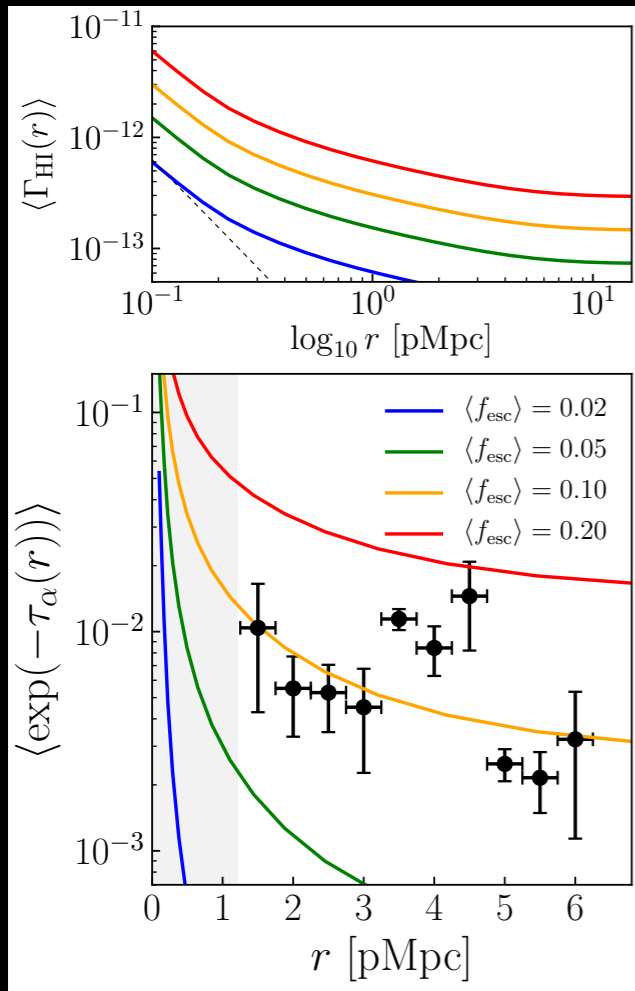
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Subaru/HSC narrow-band observation of $z \sim 5.7$ LAEs around the large Gunn-Peterson trough finds a *deficit* of LAEs.

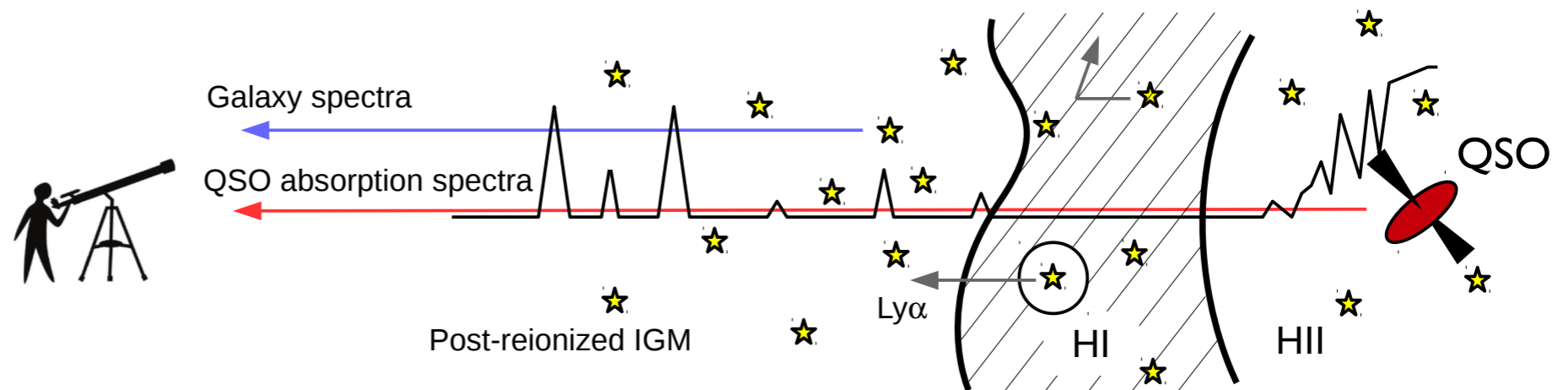
→ Independent confirmation of the proximity effect around galaxies



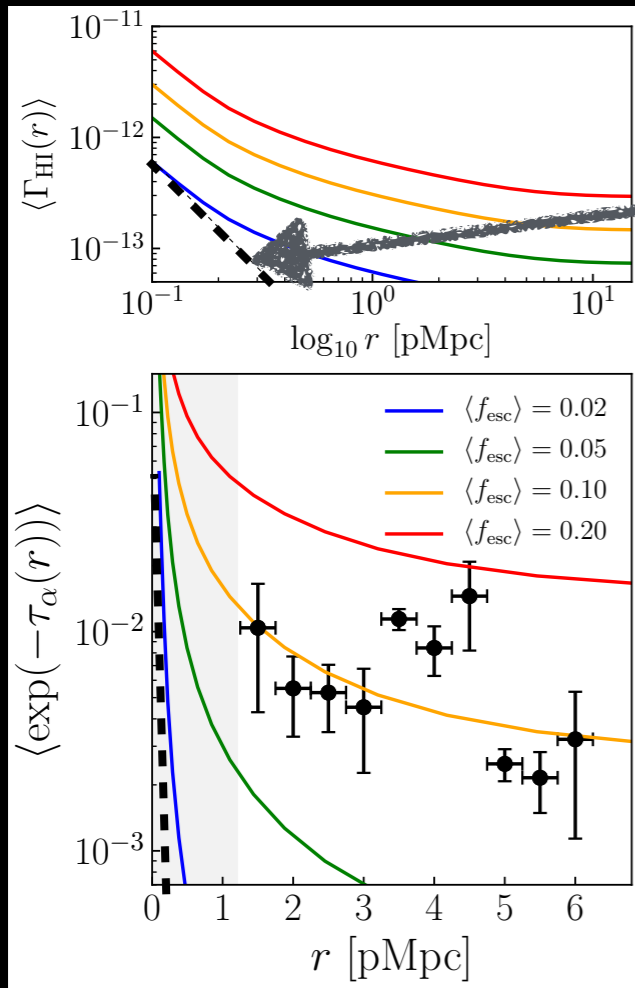
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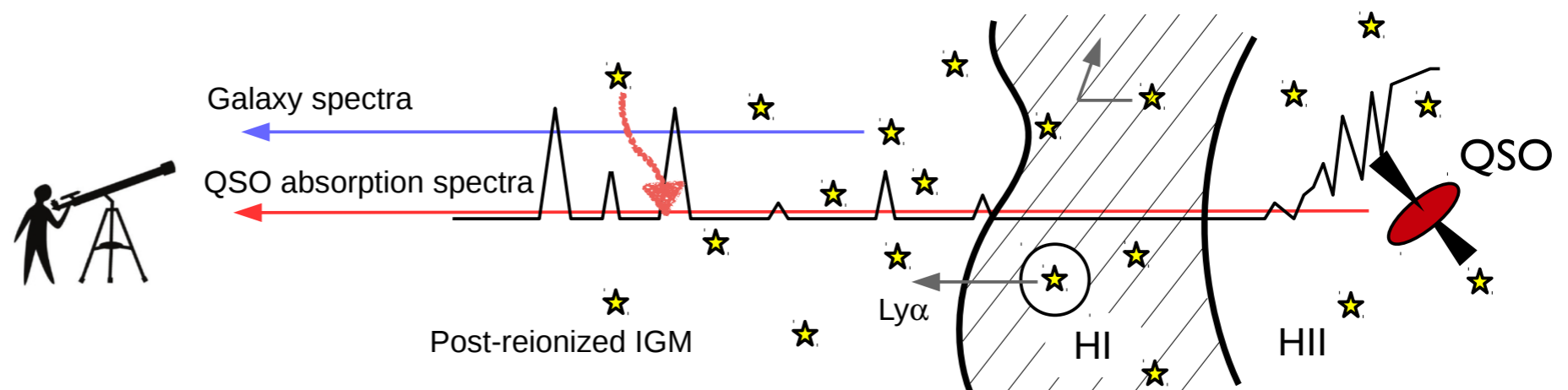


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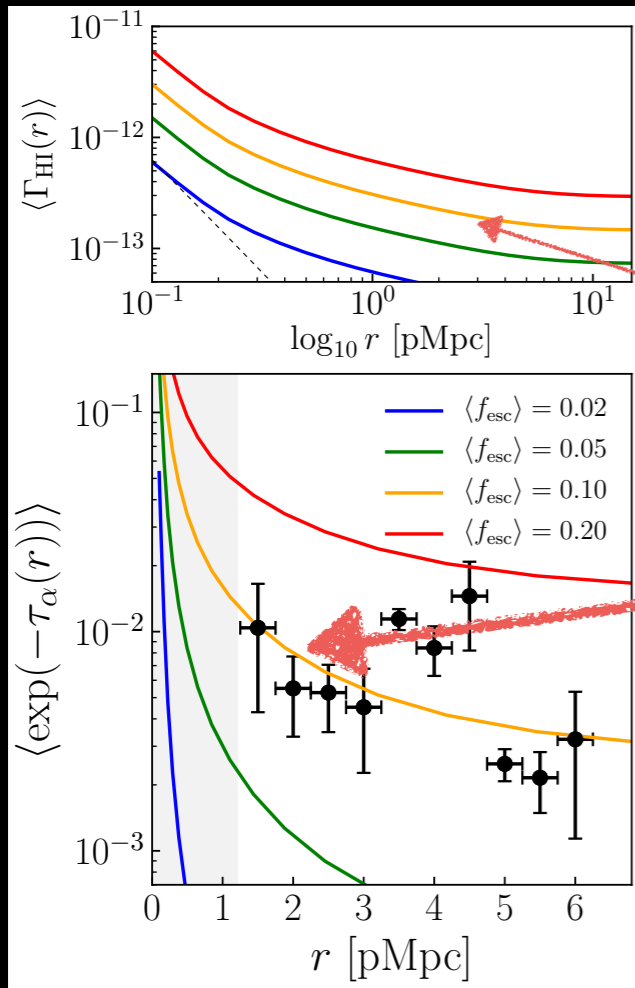


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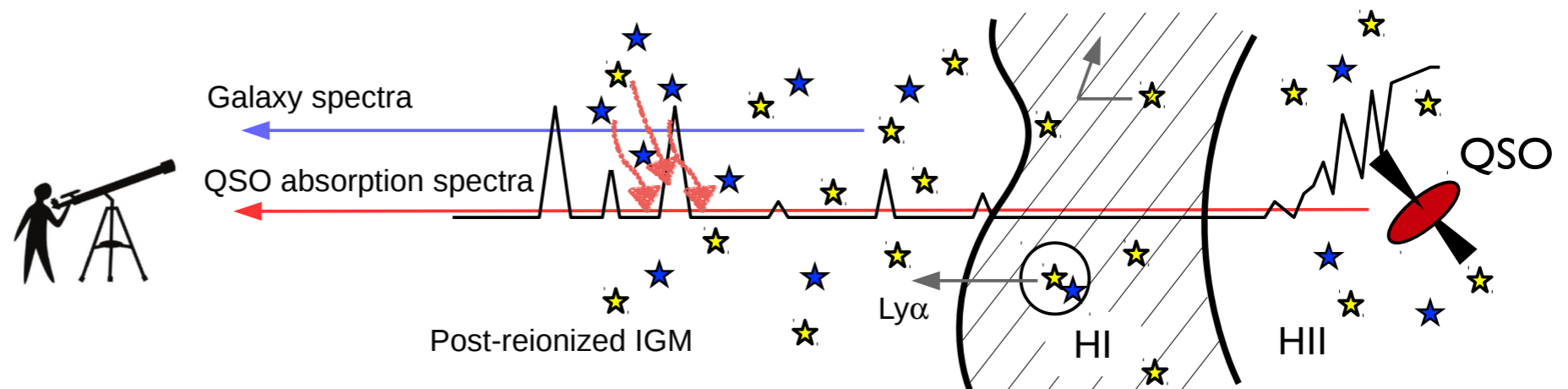


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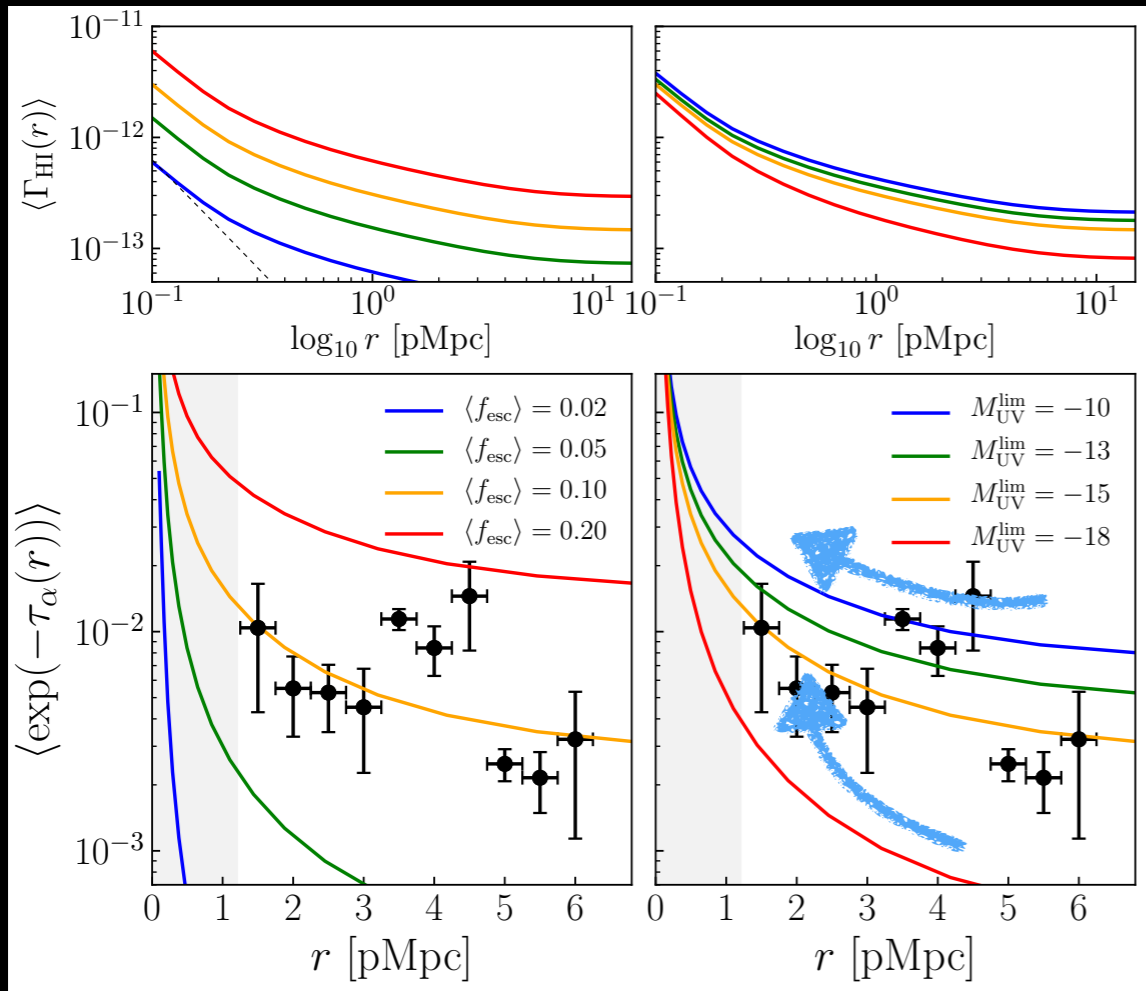
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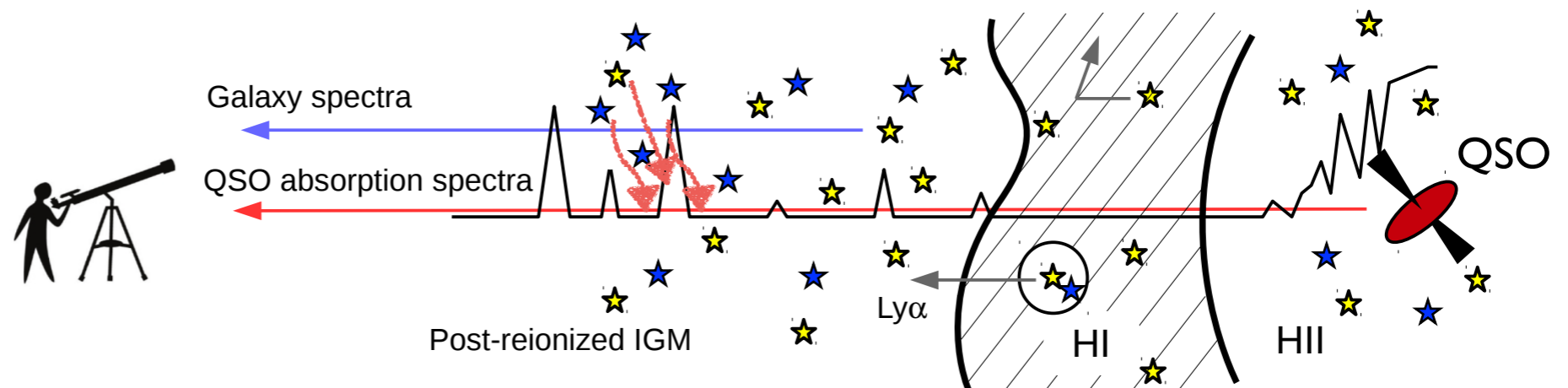
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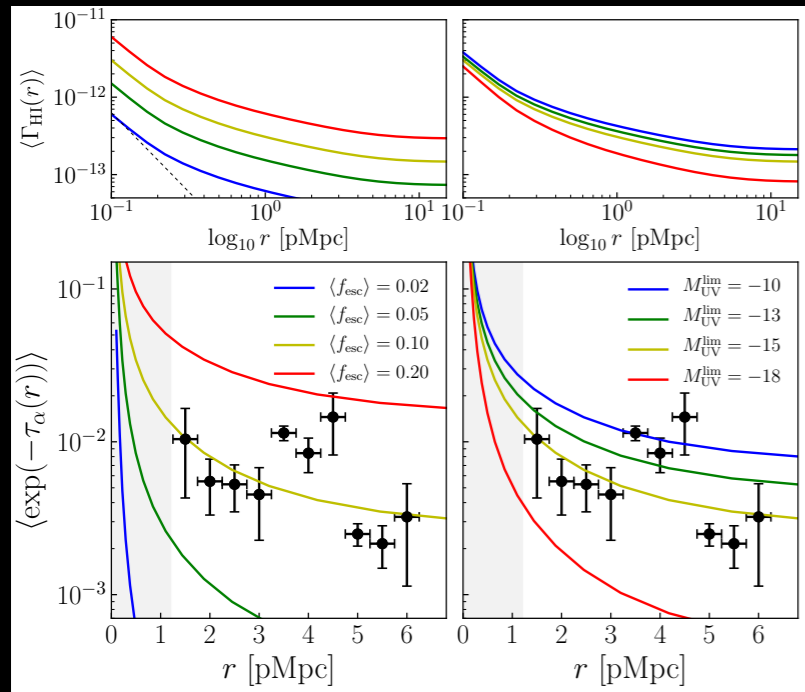
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Slope is shallower if the IGM is ionised by even fainter galaxies ‘clustering bias of ionising sources’

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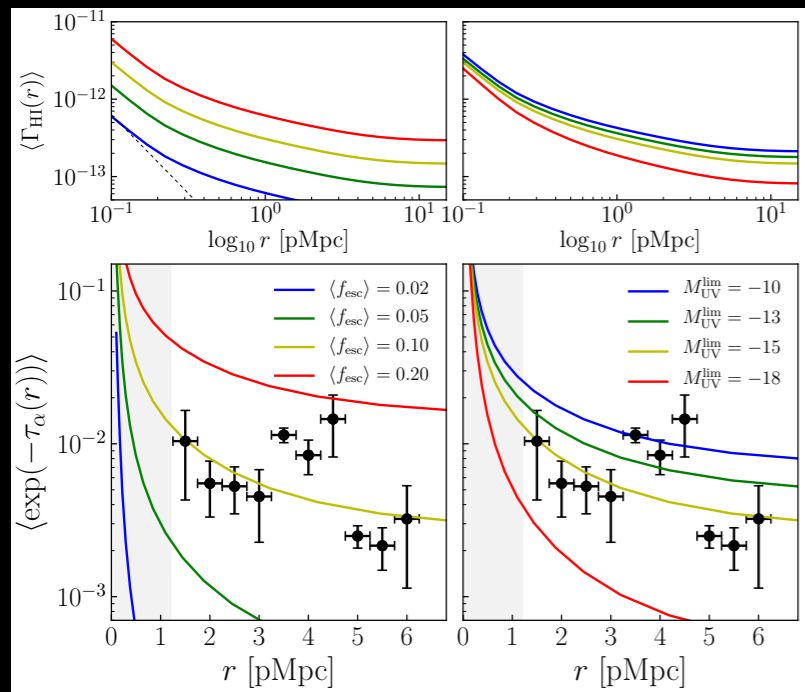


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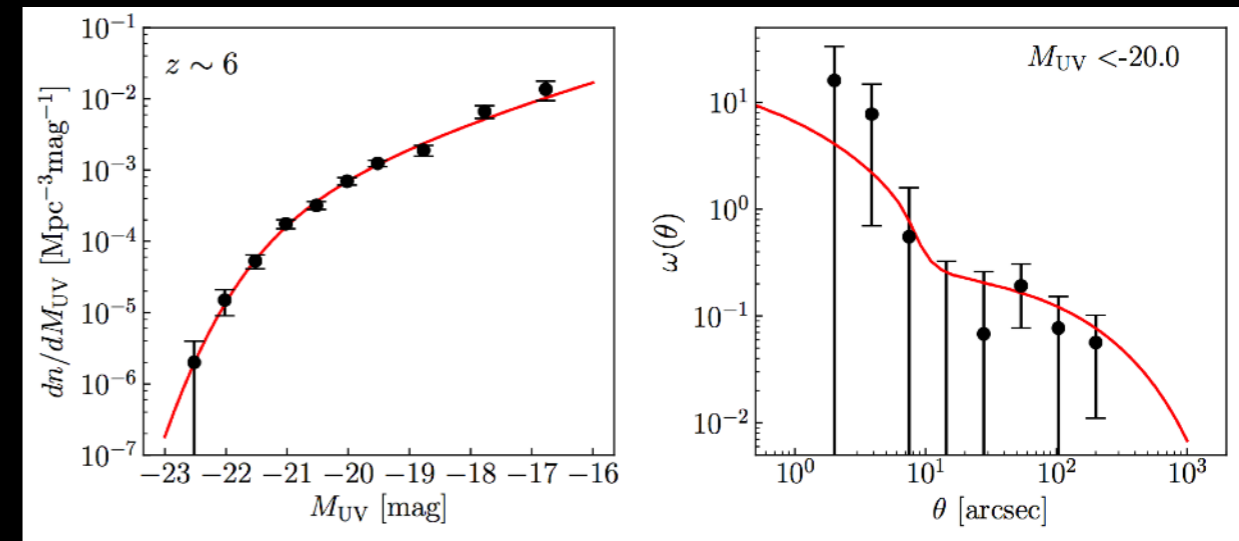


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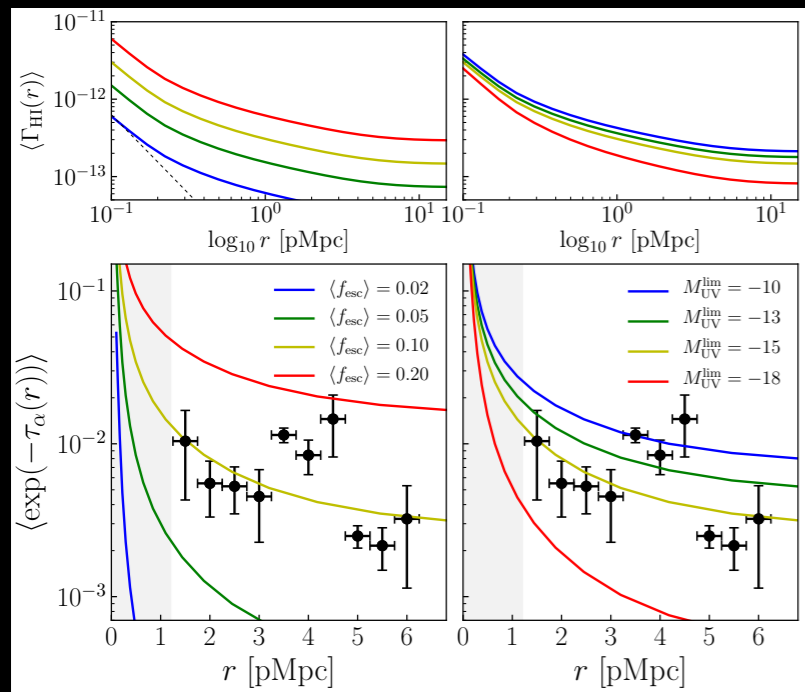


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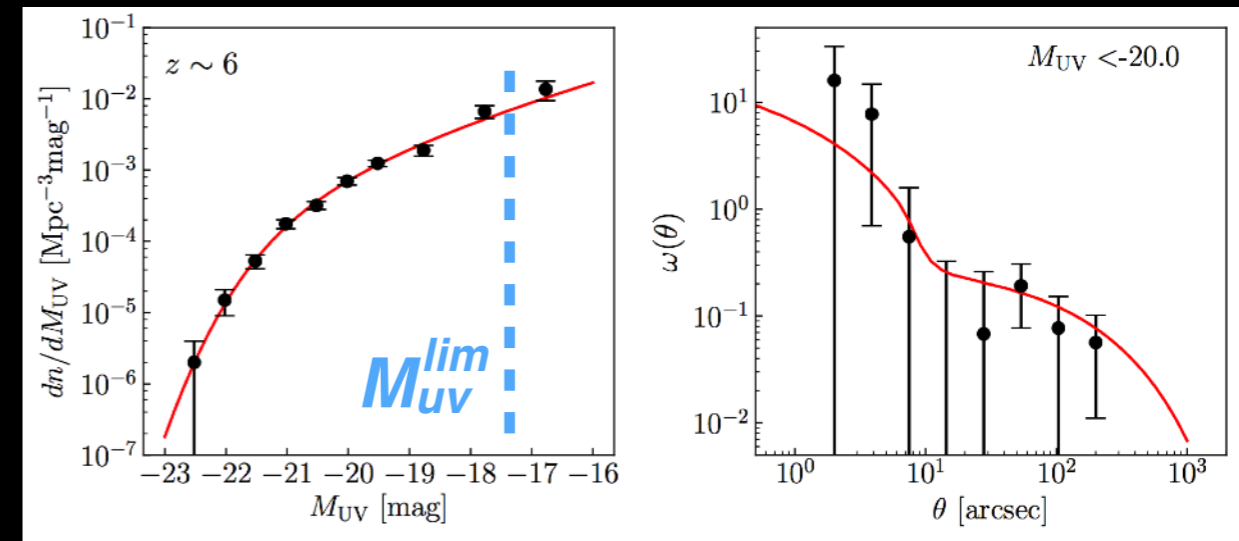


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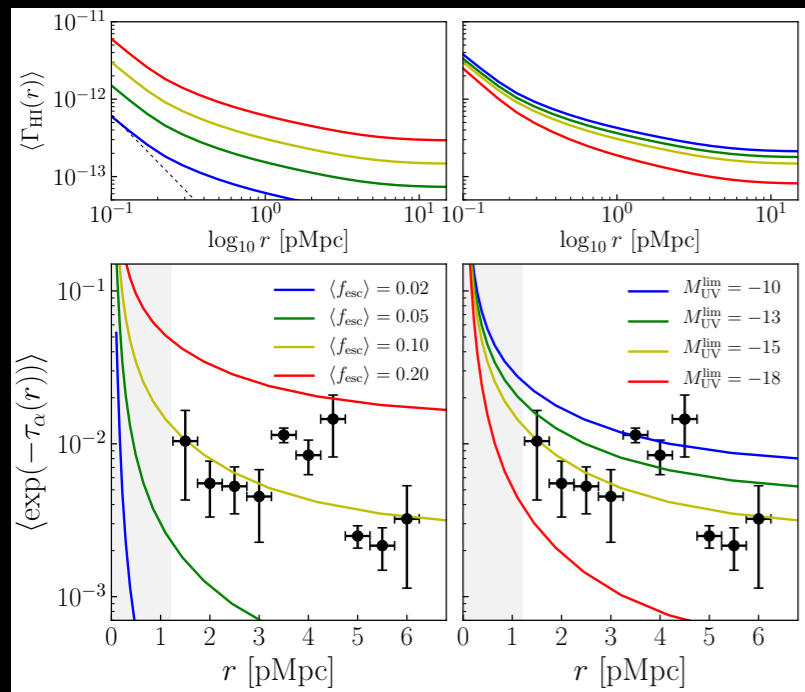


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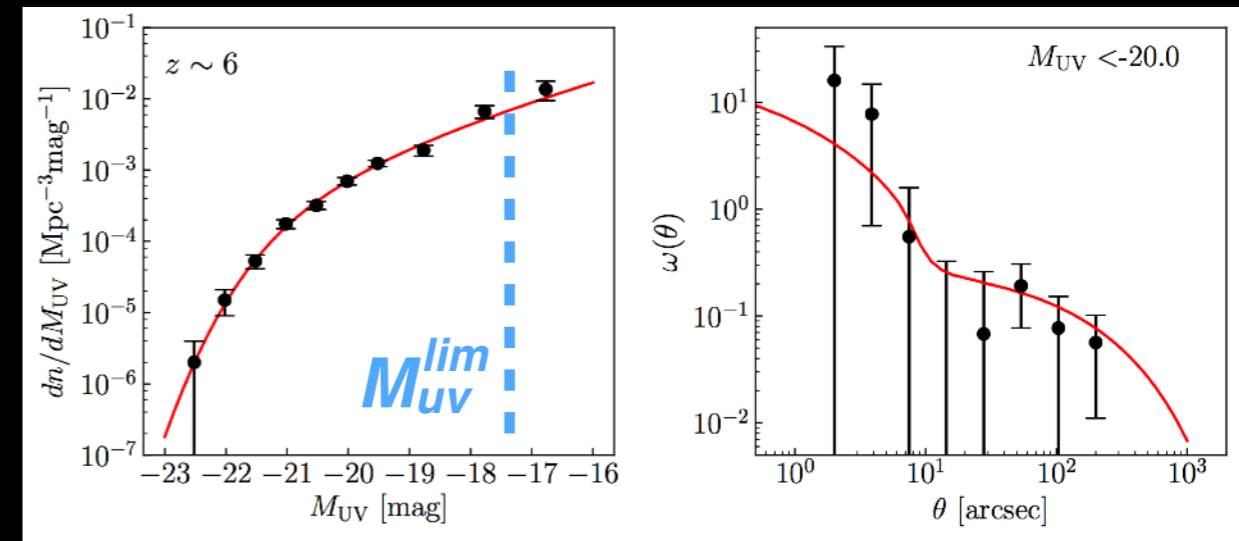


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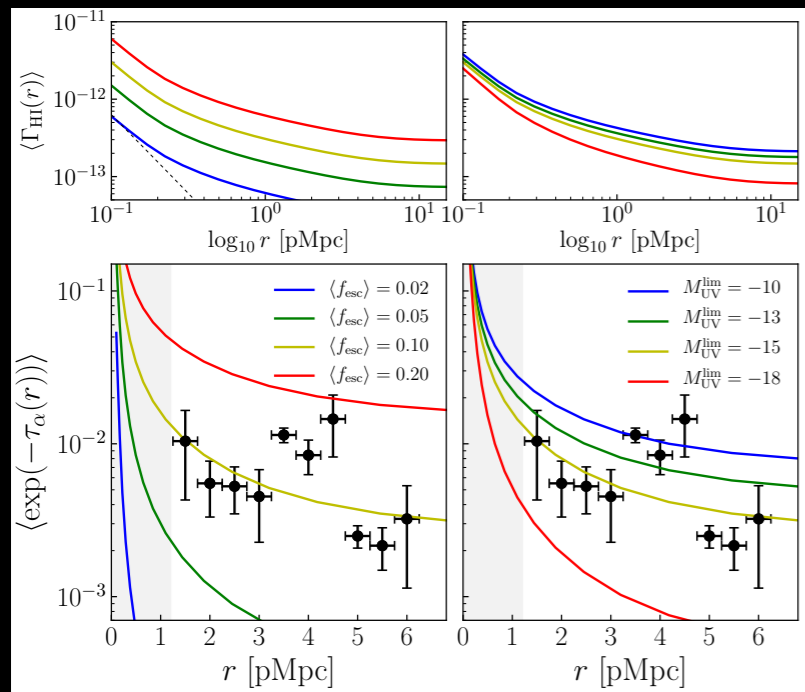
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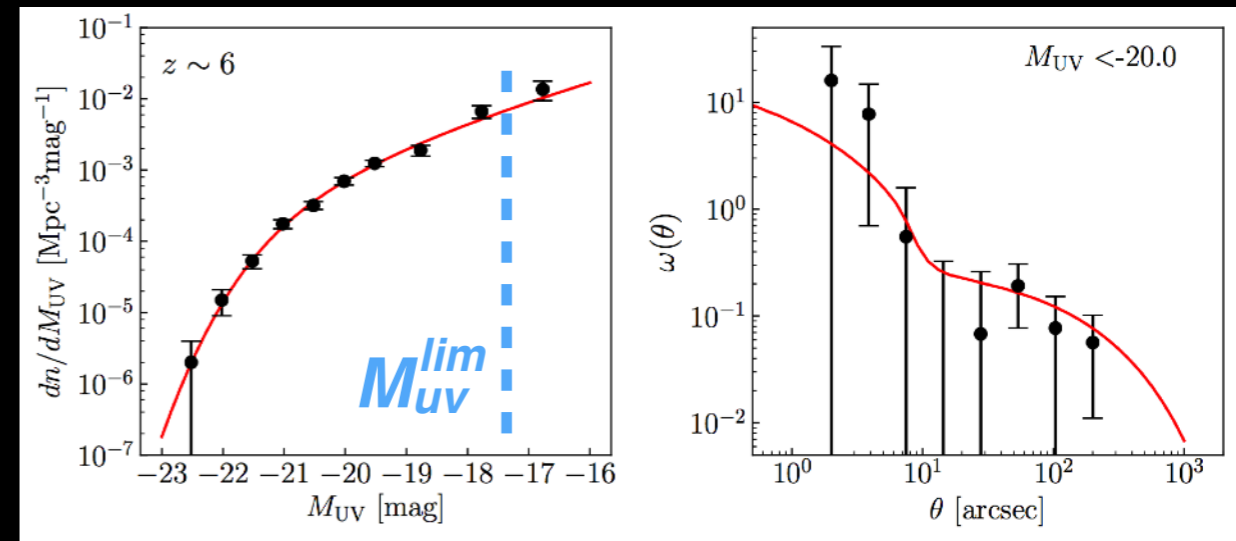
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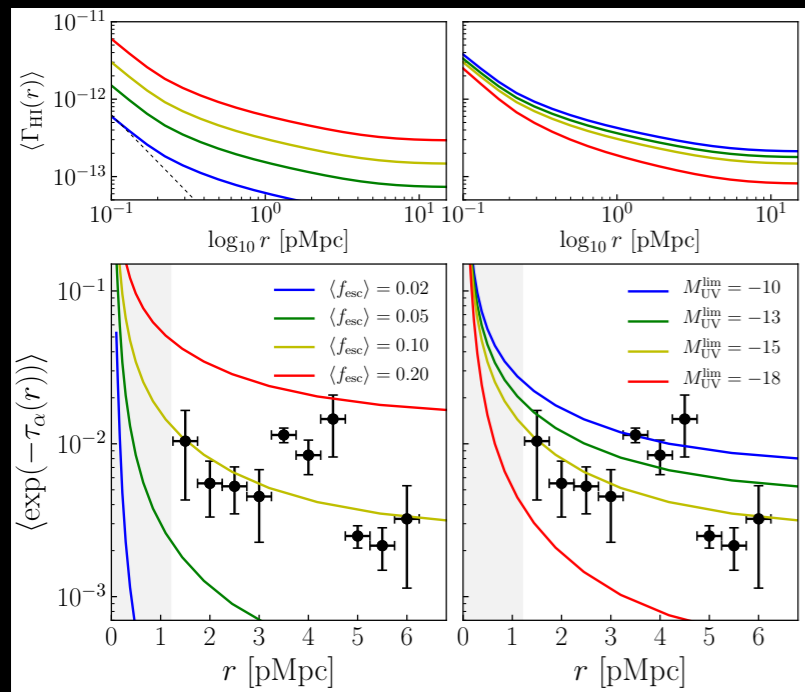


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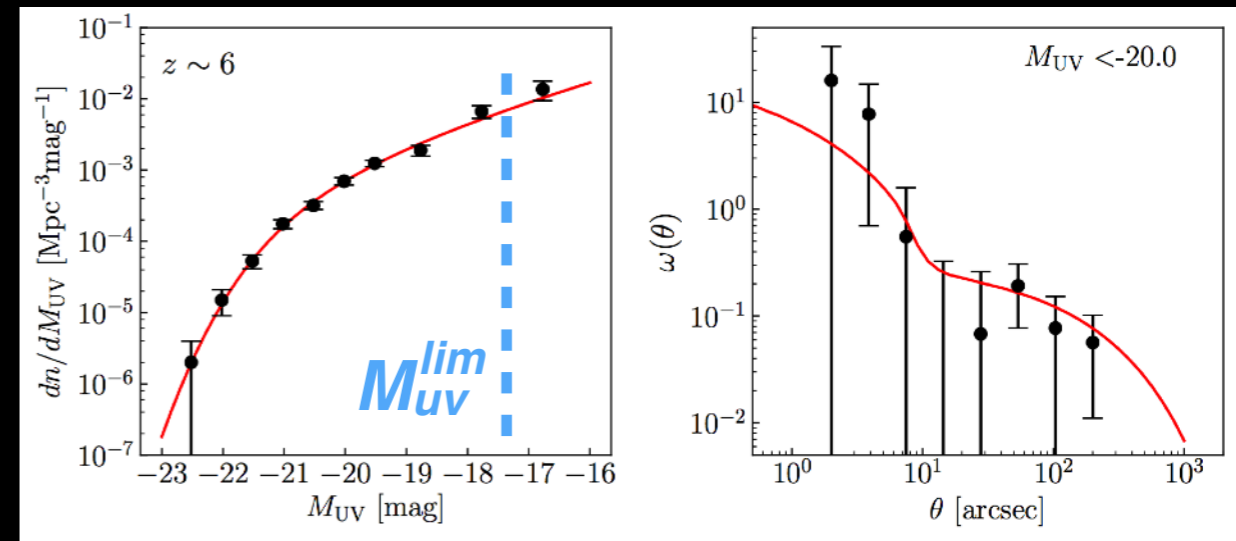
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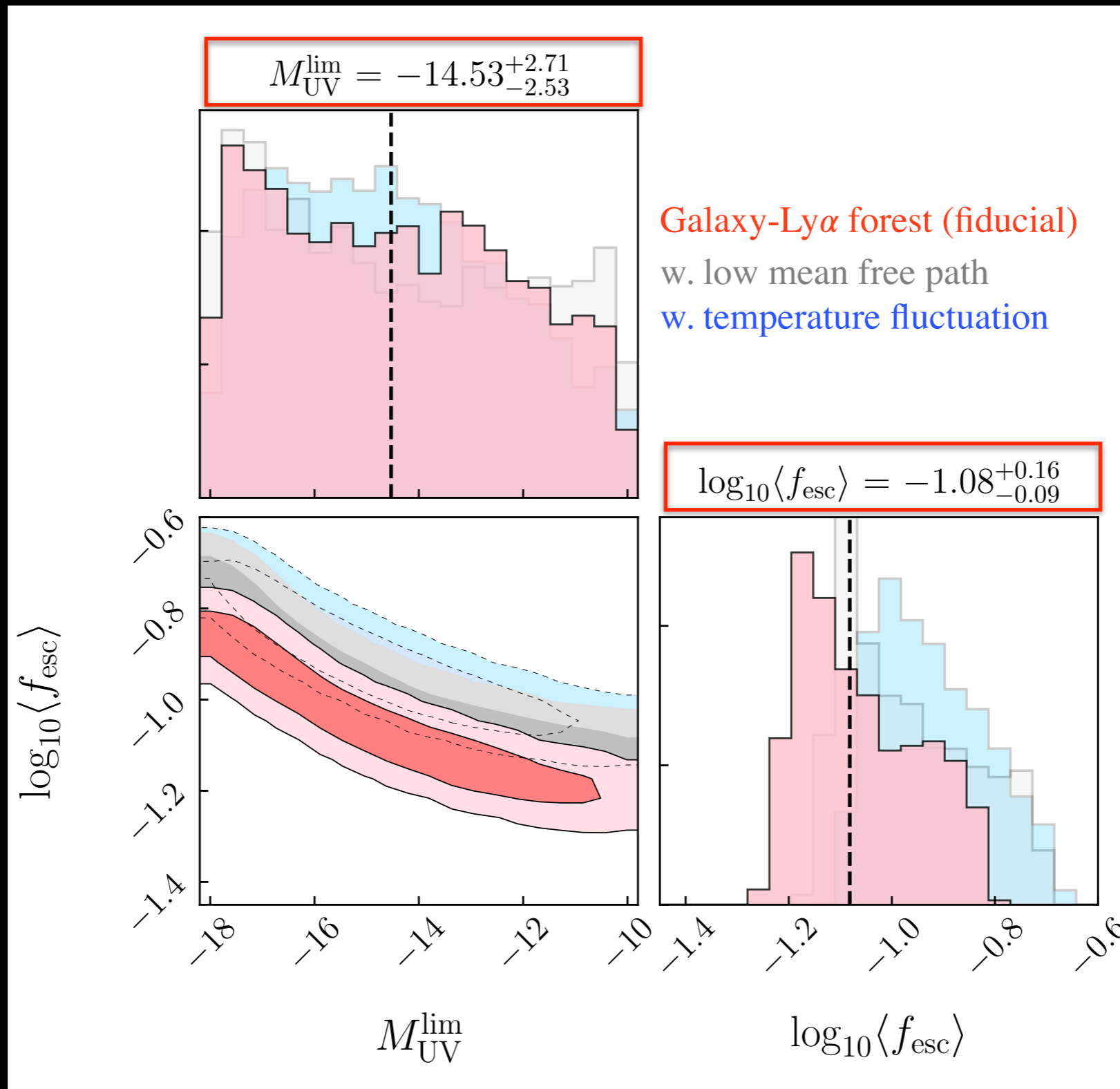
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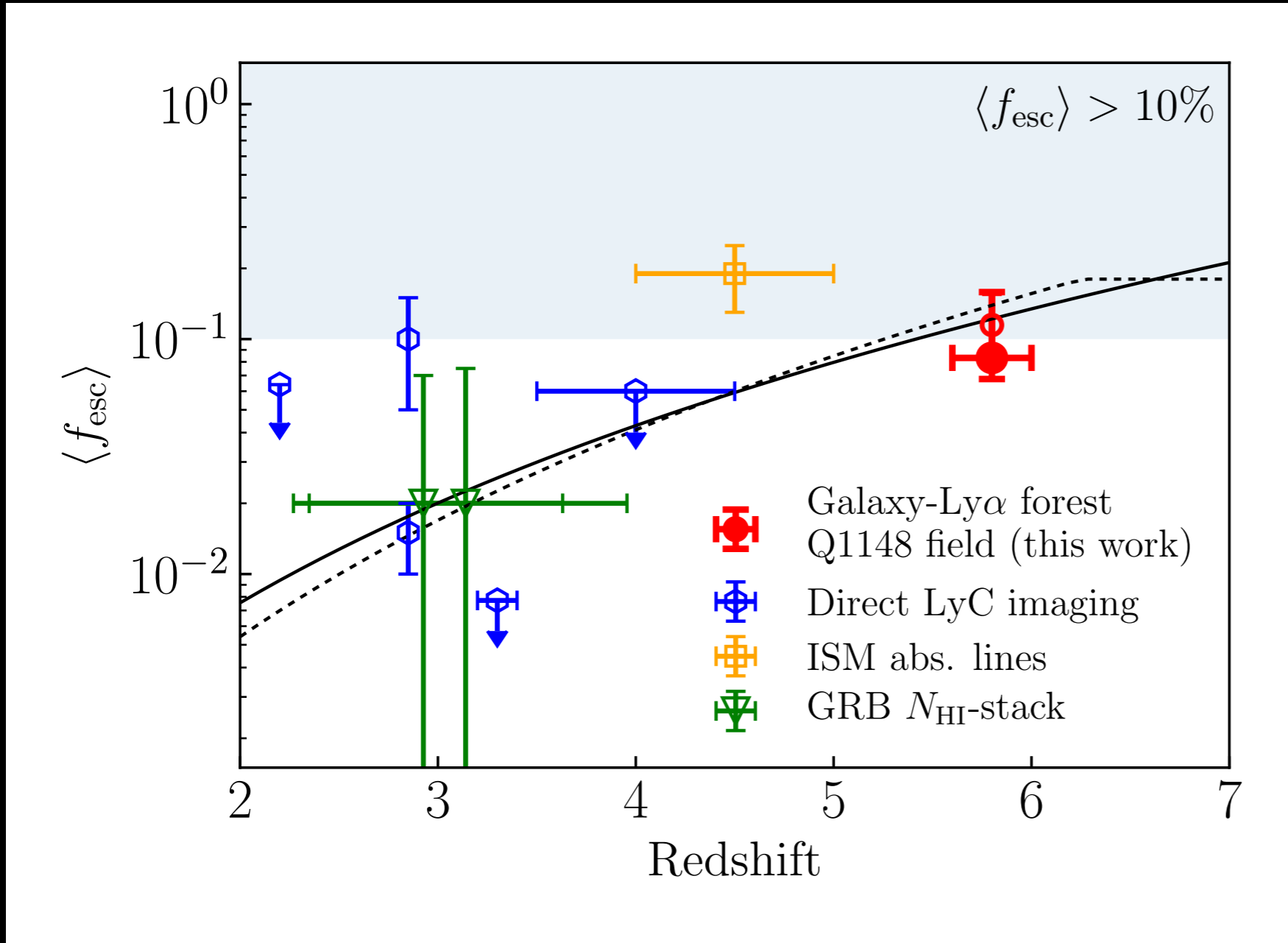
Measurement of the population-averaged escape fraction!!

Constraint on the average escape fraction at $z \sim 5.8$



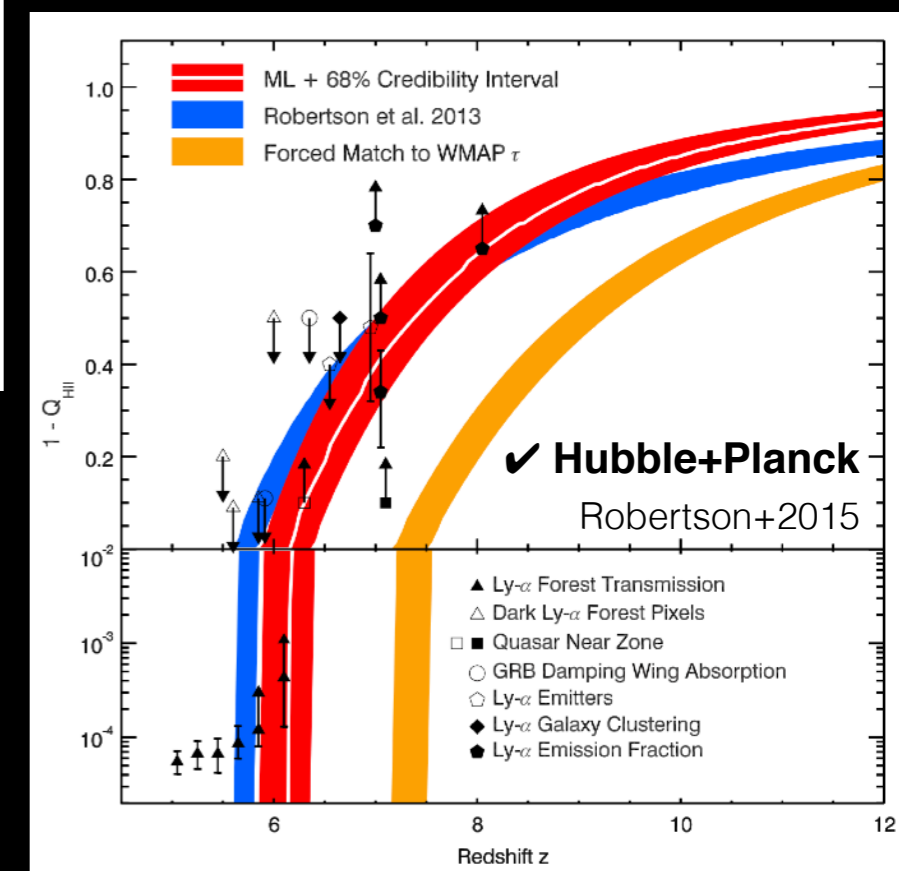
$$\langle f_{\text{esc}} \rangle = 0.08^{+0.08}_{-0.02} \left(\frac{\langle \xi_{\text{ion}} \rangle}{10^{25.2} \text{ erg}^{-1} \text{ Hz}} \right)^{-1}$$

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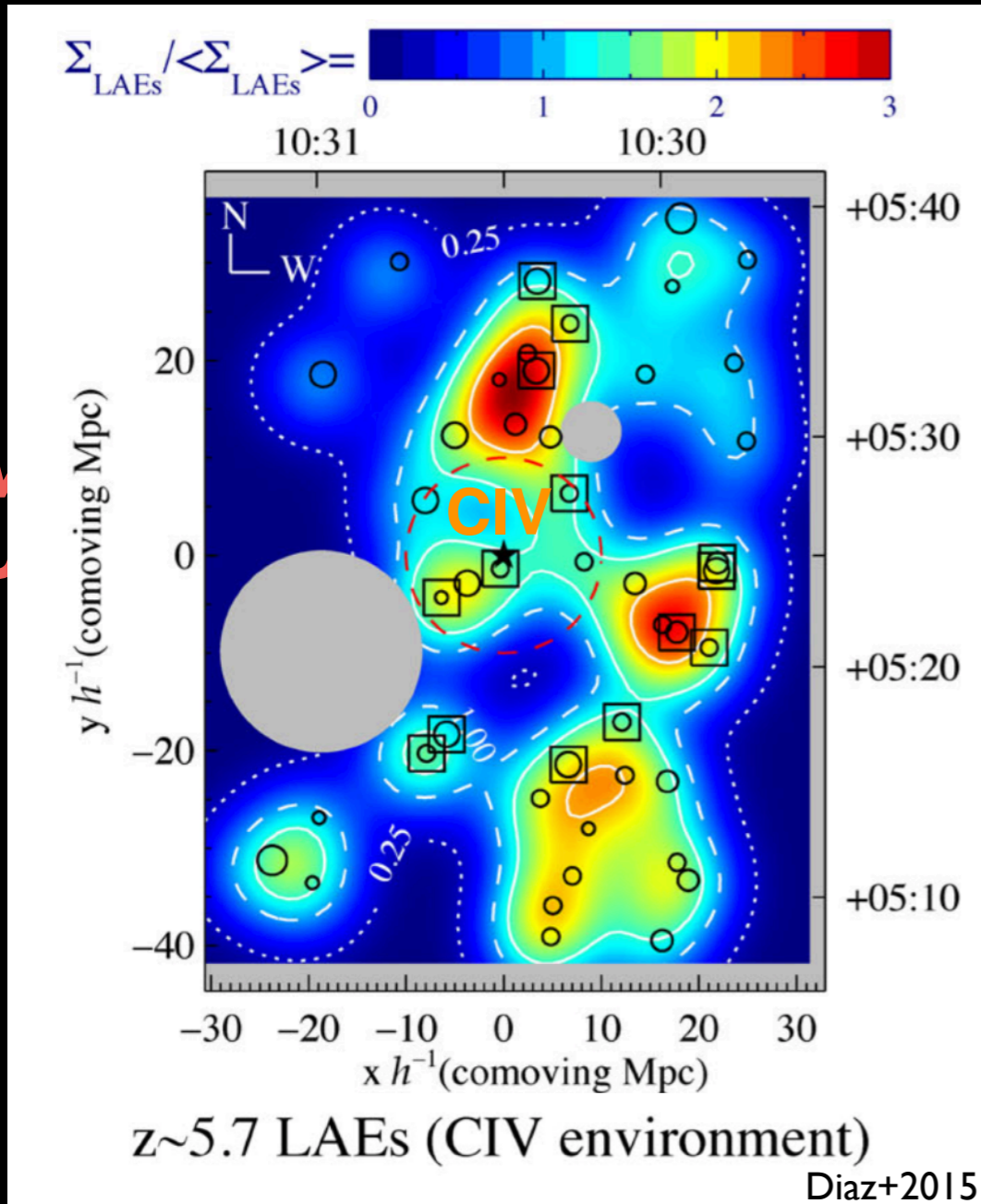
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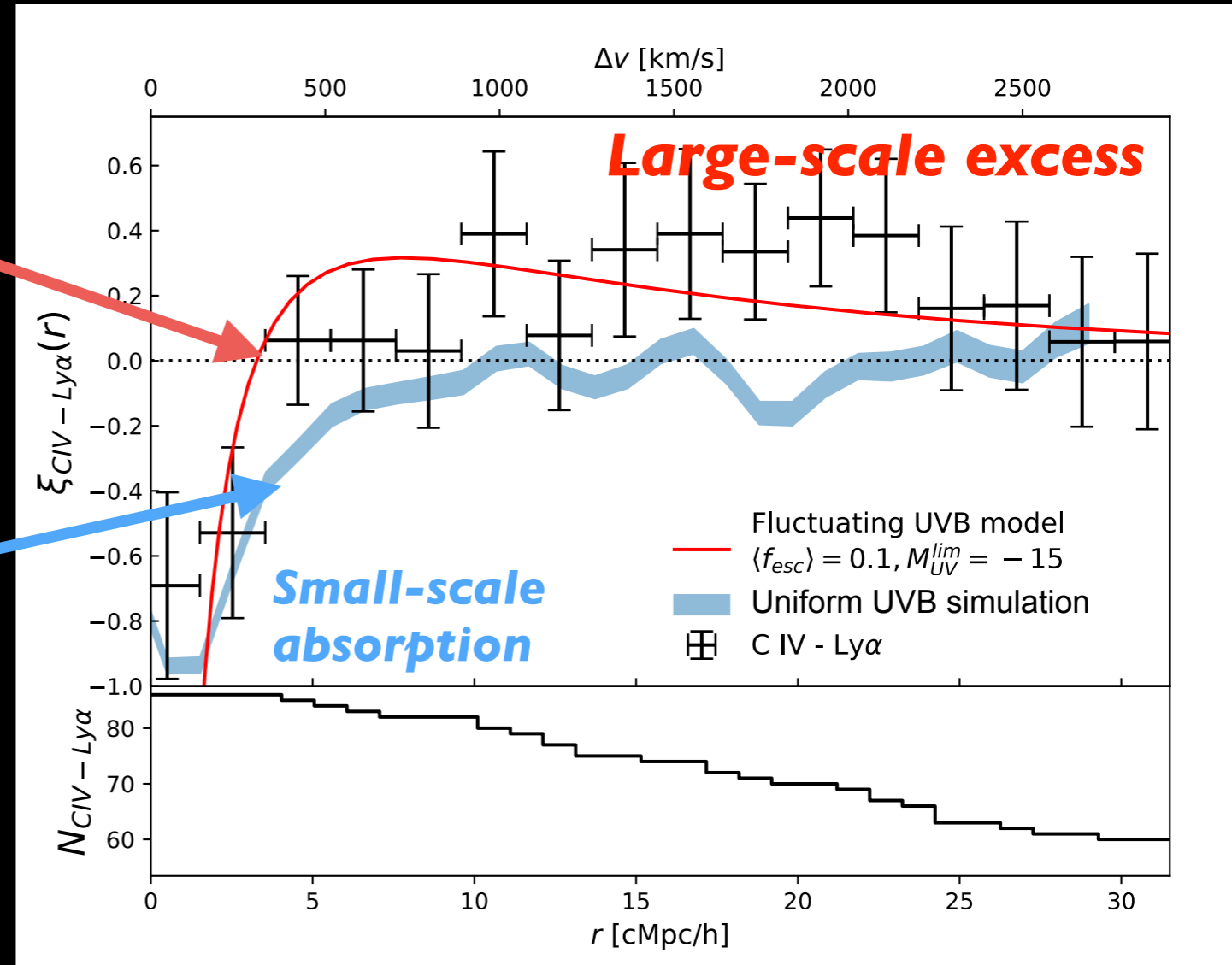


Gaseous environment of faint low-mass galaxies

Insight from CIV



Cross-correlation measurement at $\langle z \rangle = 5.2$



**Need for the enhanced UV background
by clustered galaxies around CIV-host galaxies**

Consistent with reionisation by faint galaxies with $f_{\text{esc}}=10\%$ (work in progress)

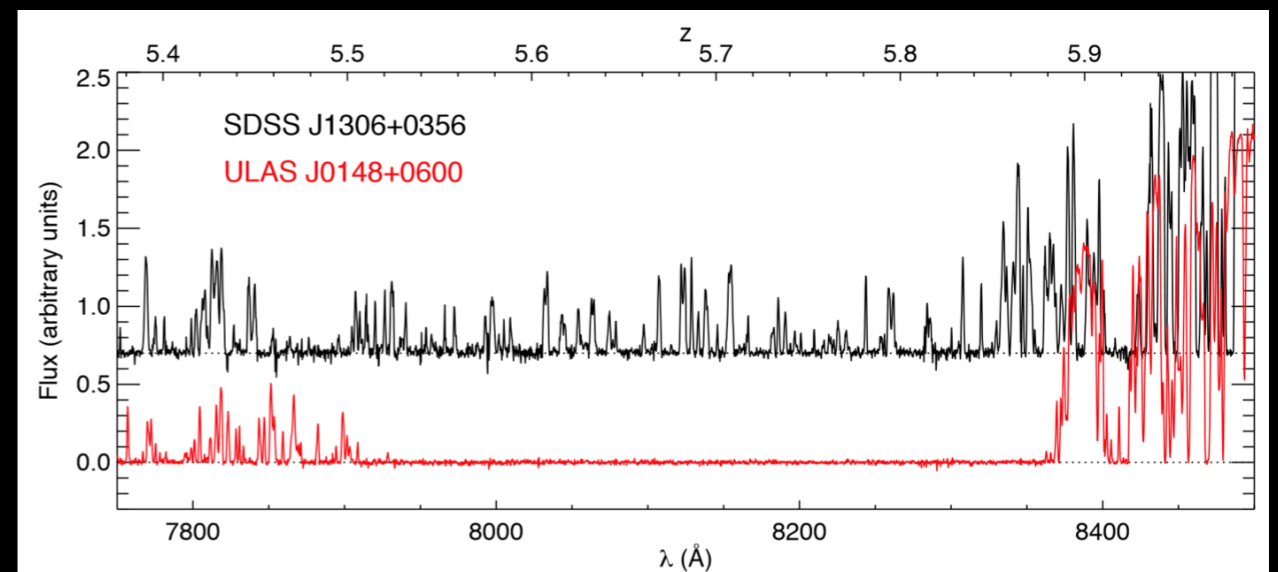
Romain Meyer, Bosman, Kakiichi, Ellis (in prep)

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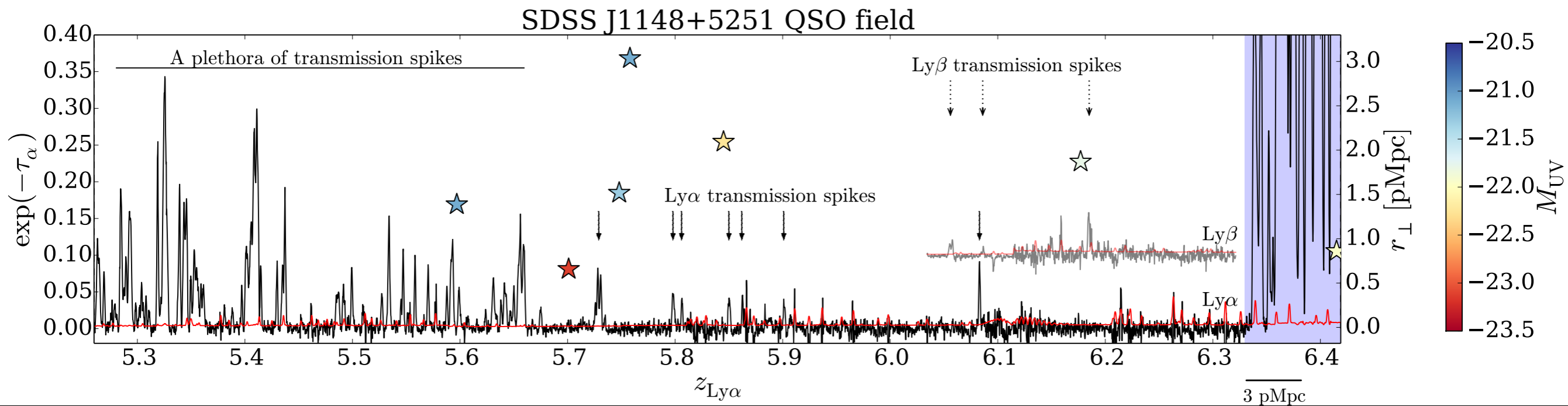
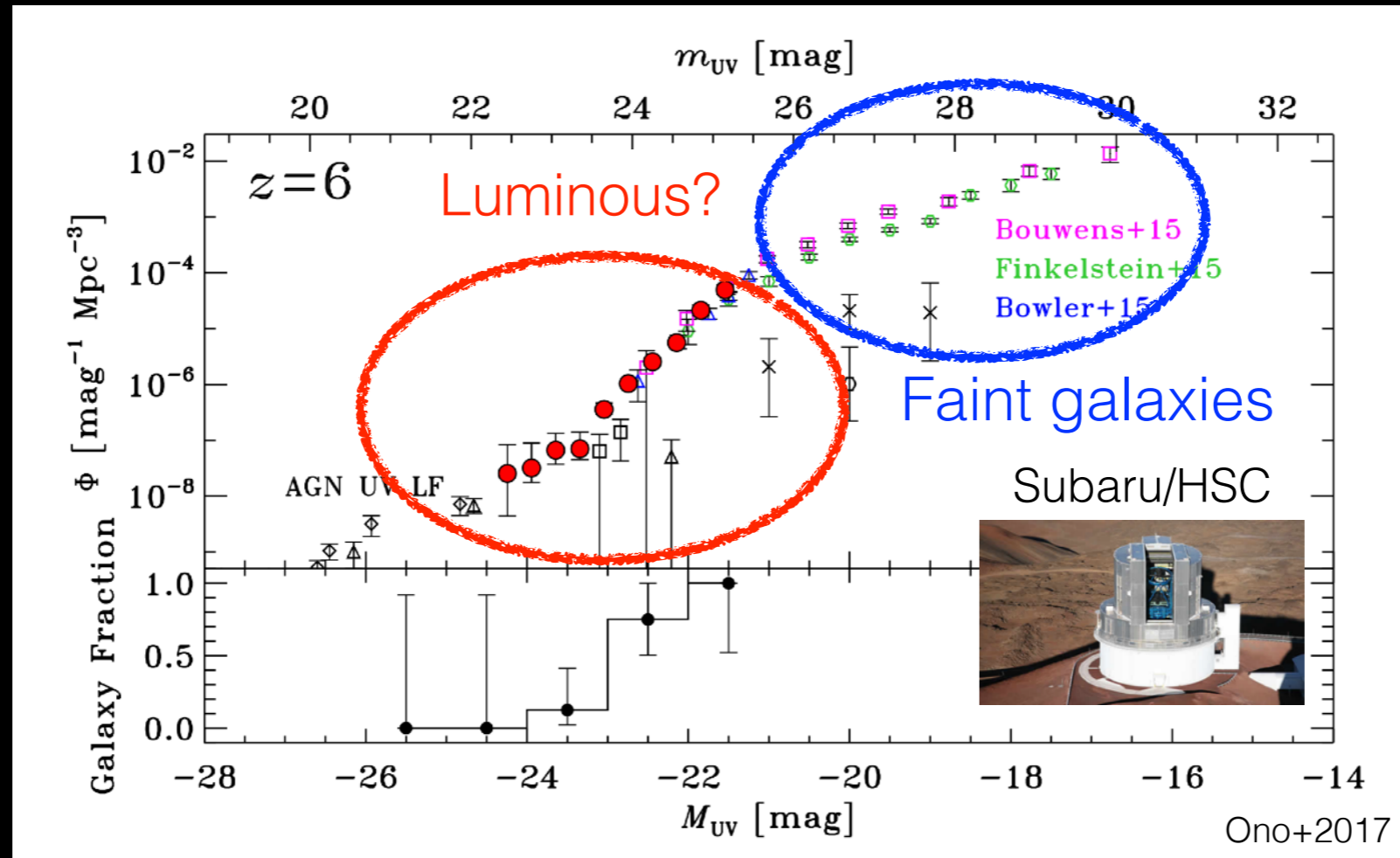


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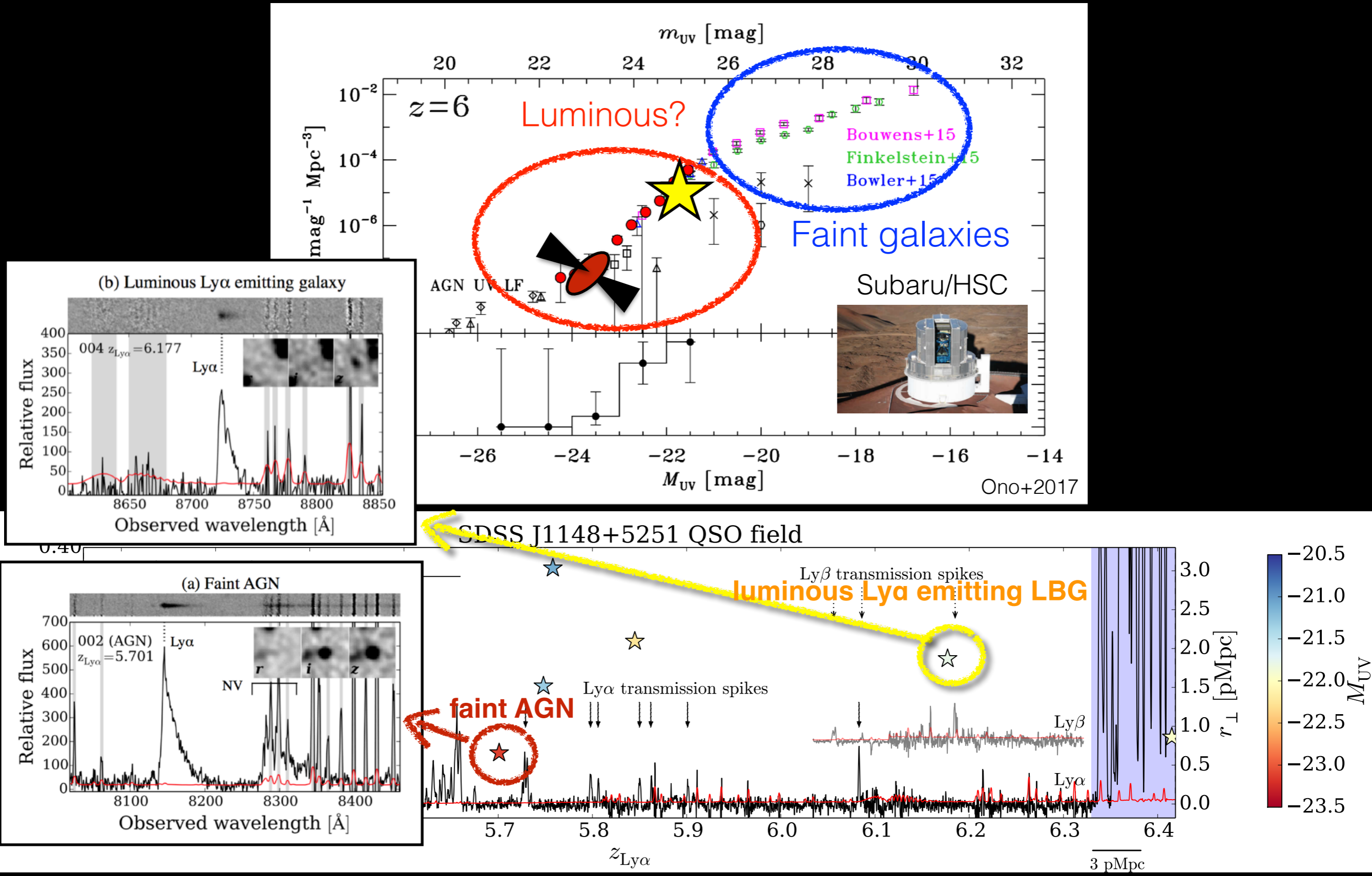


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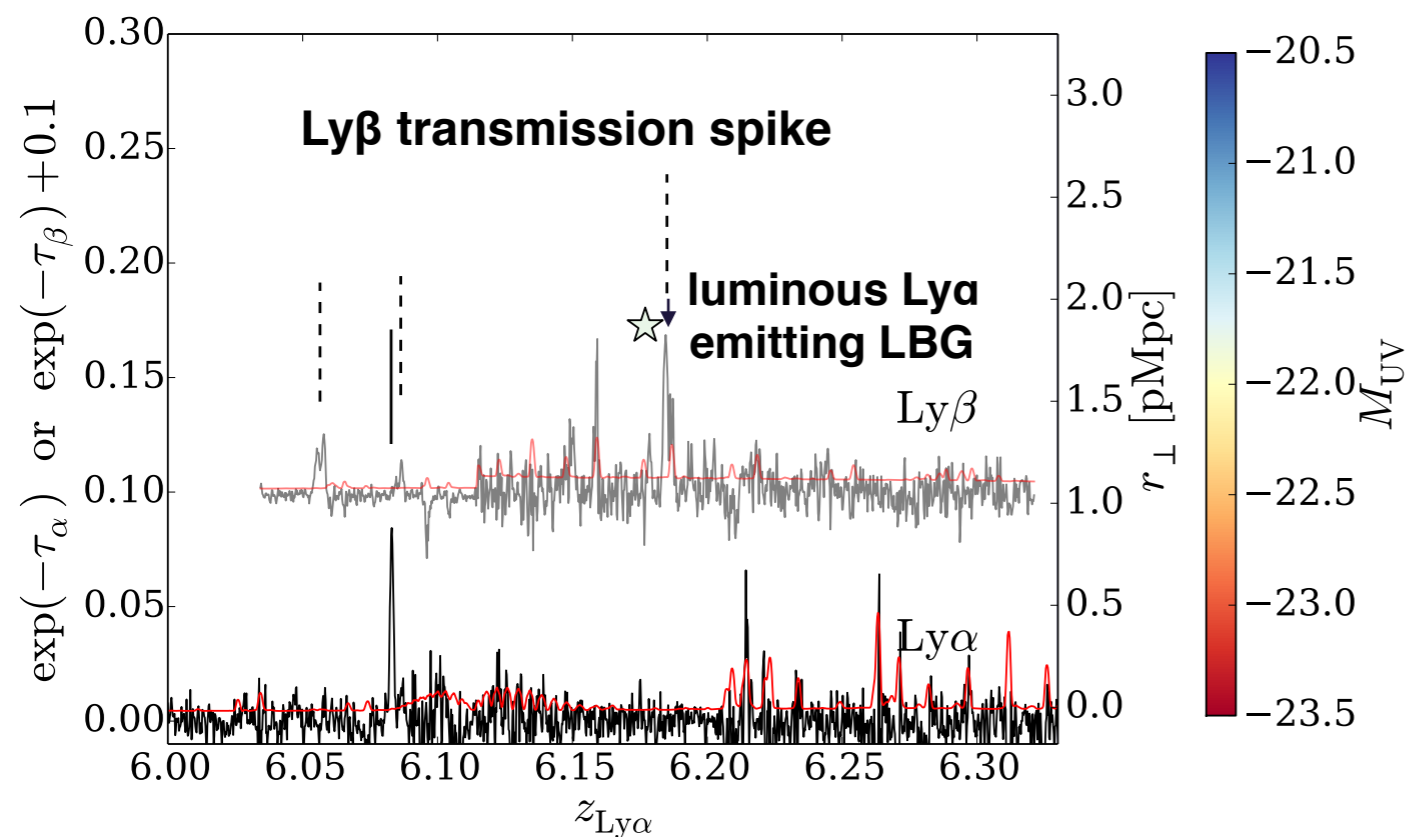
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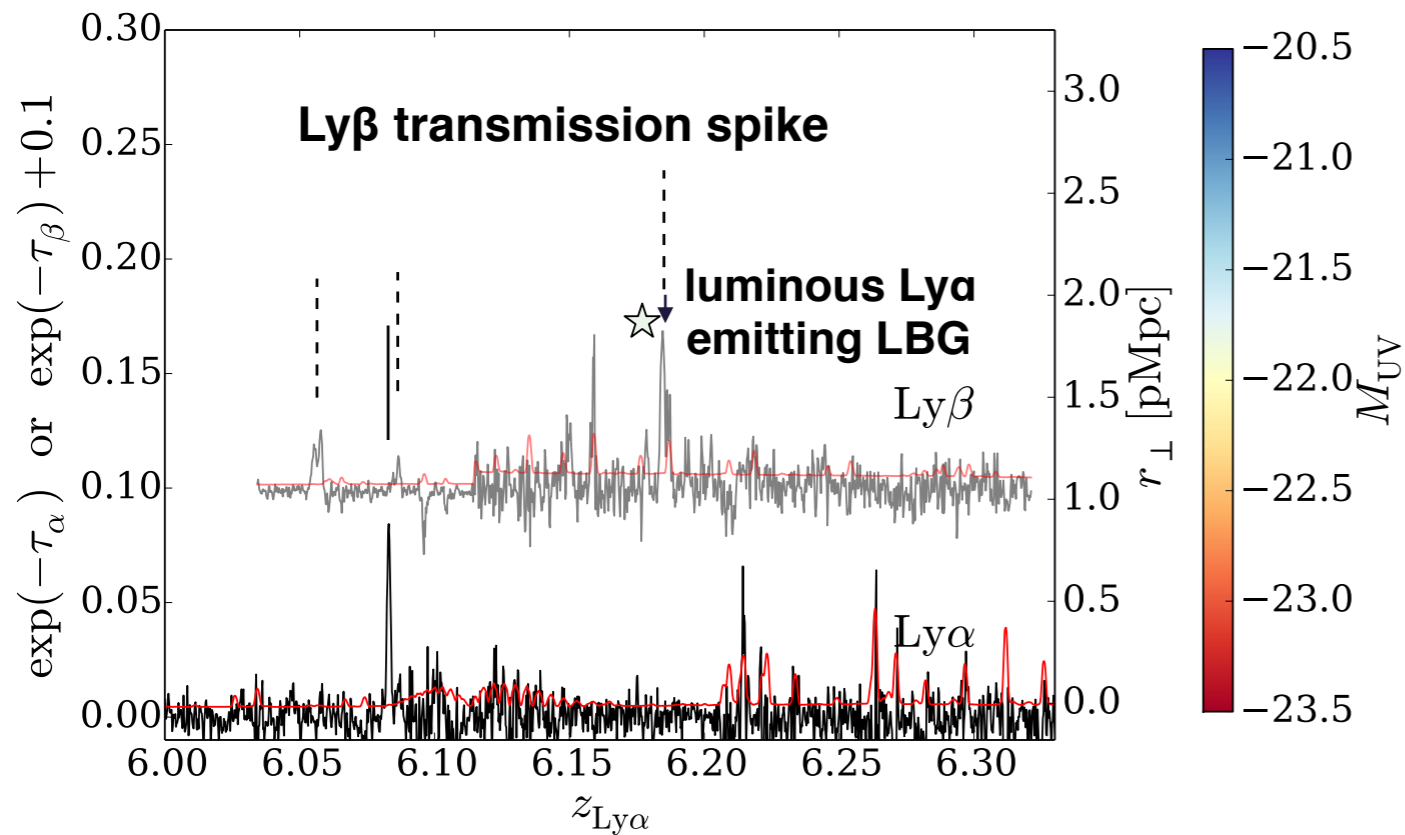
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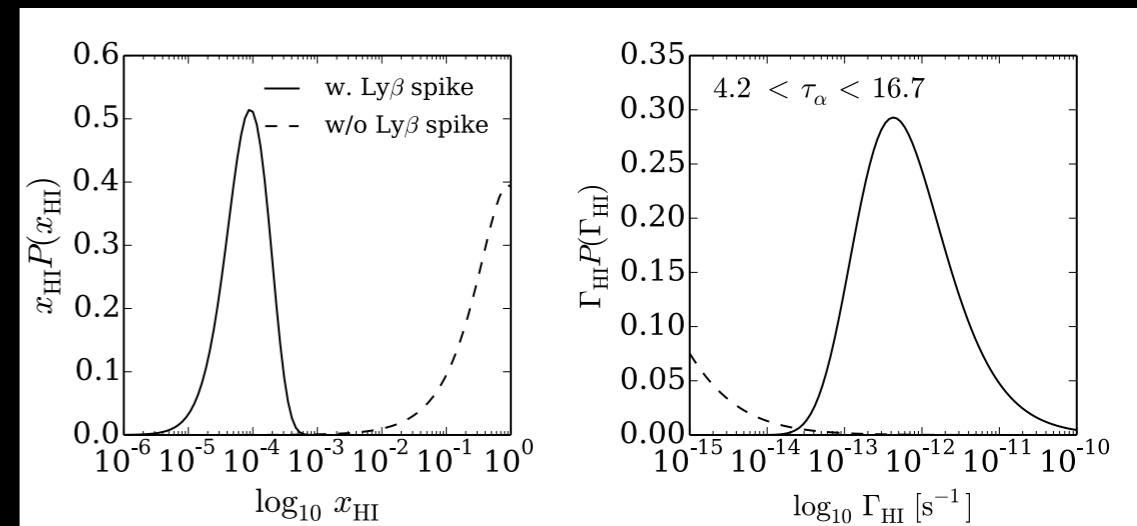
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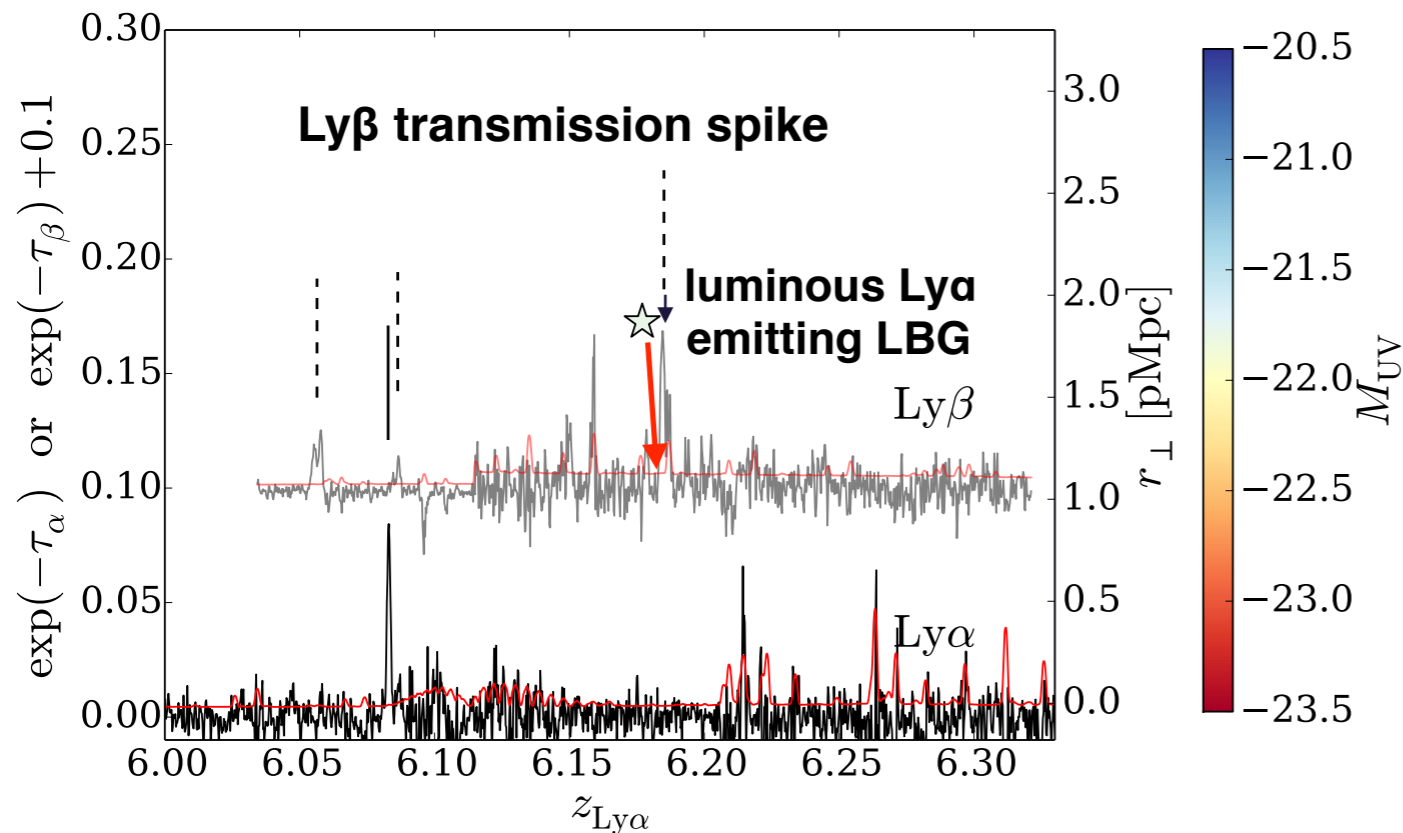


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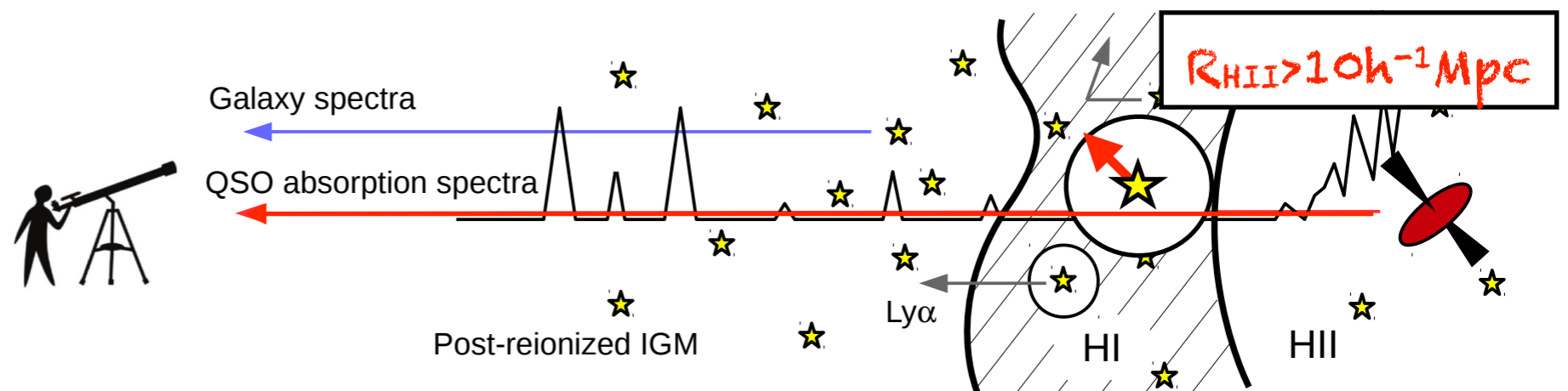


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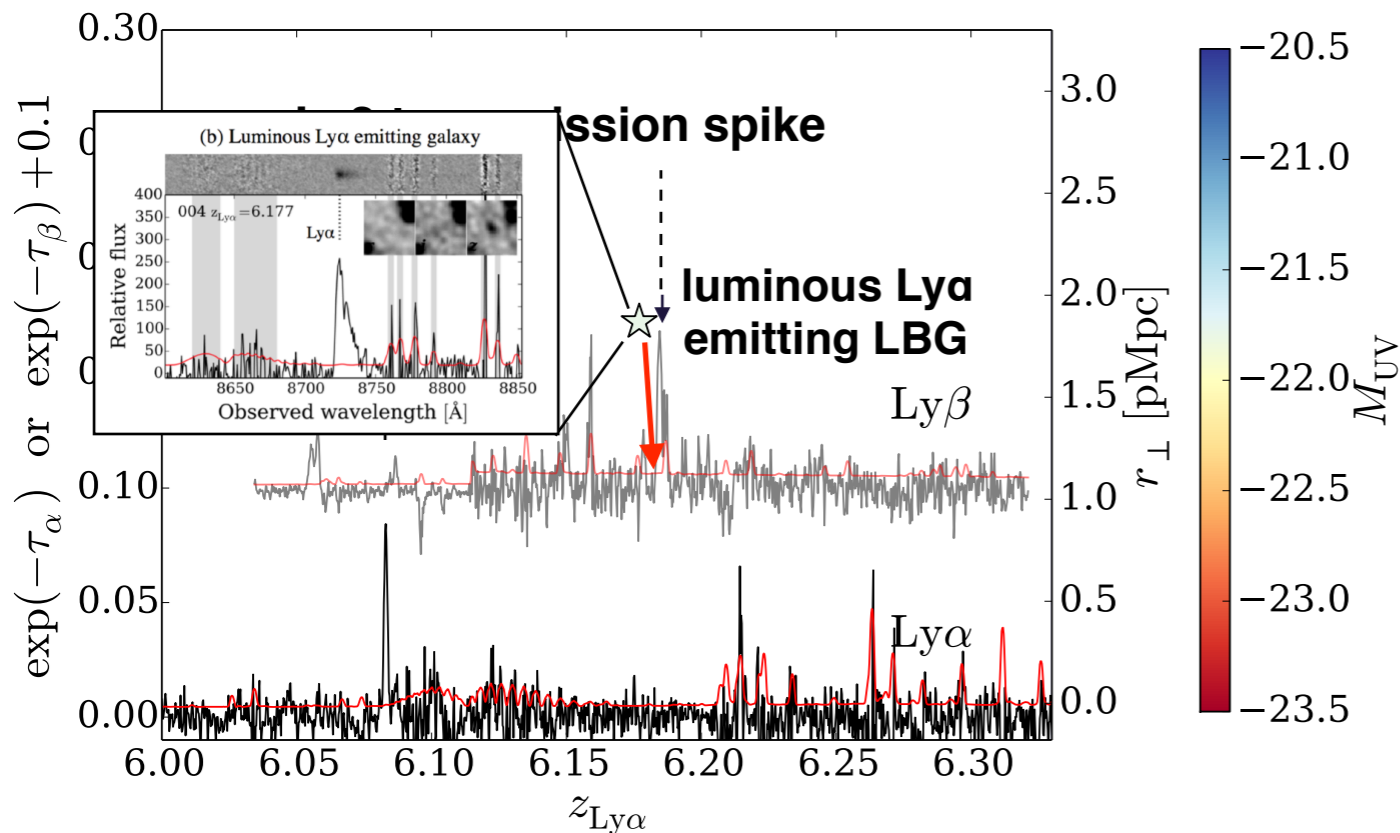
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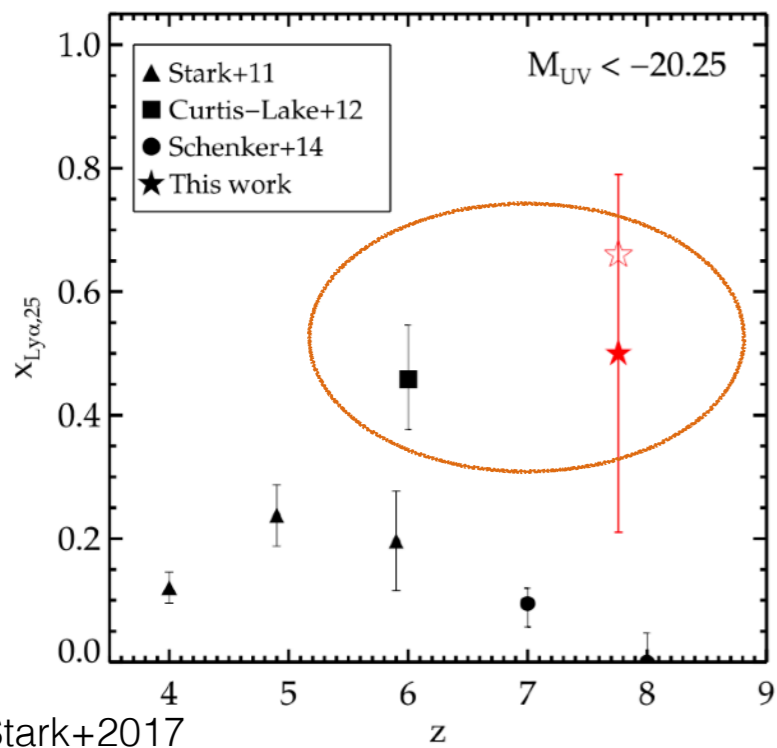
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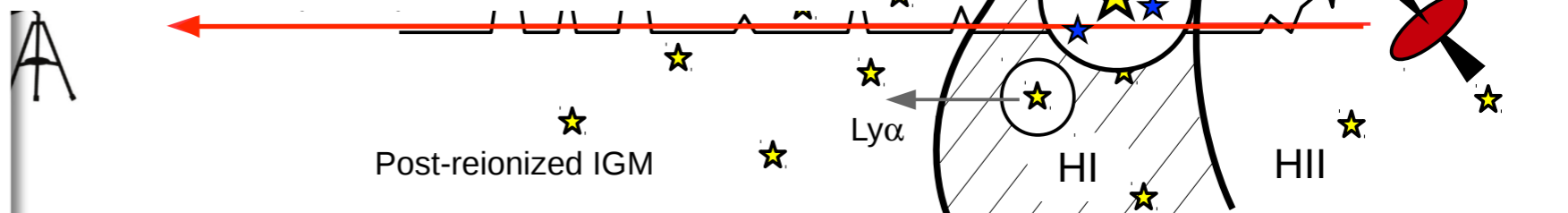


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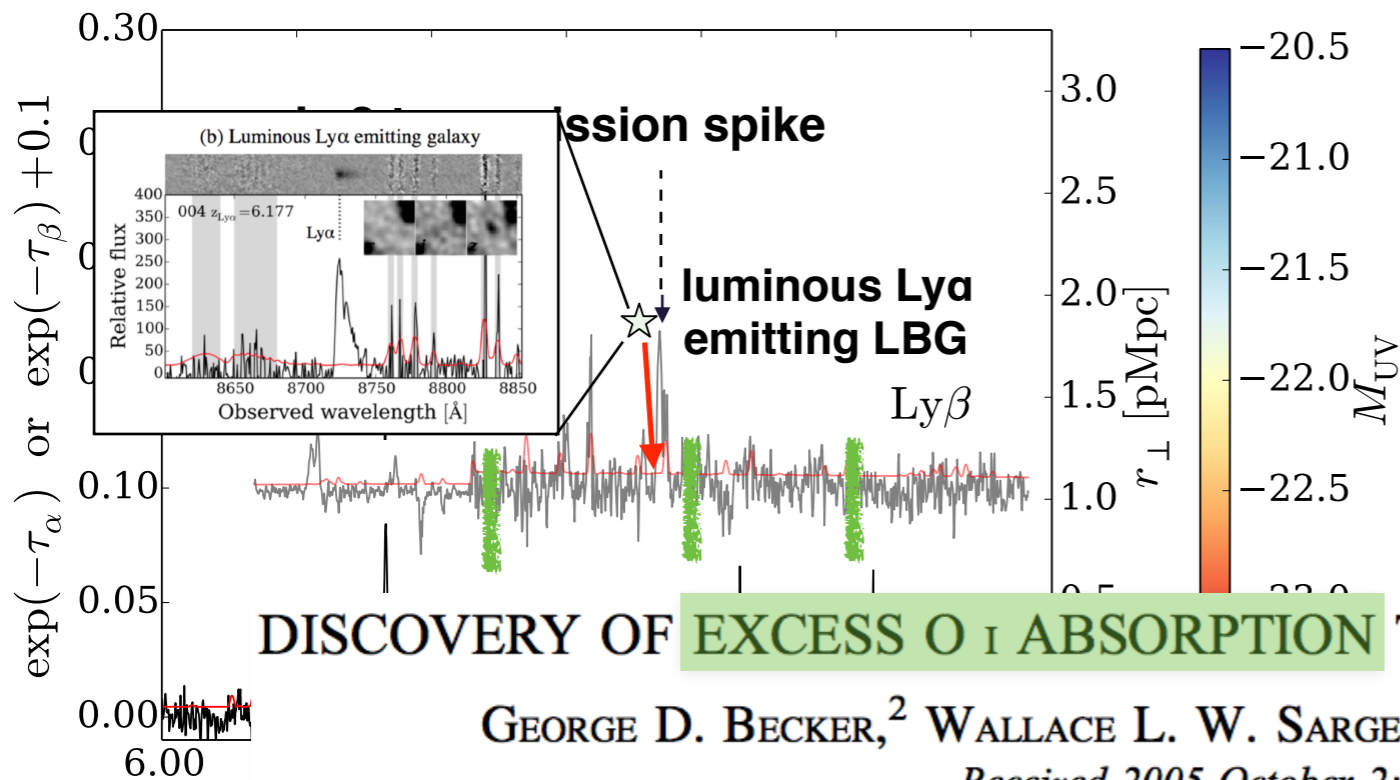


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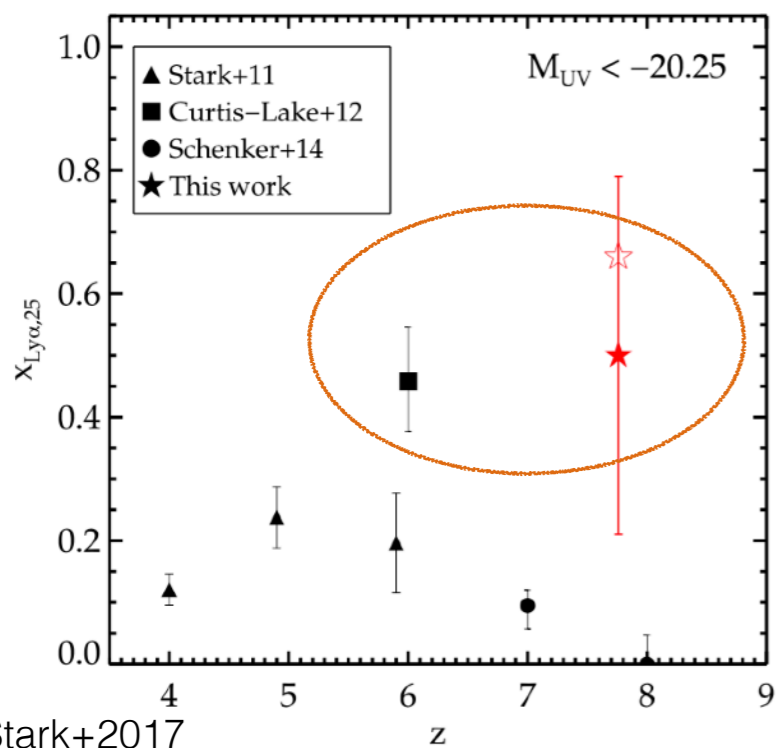
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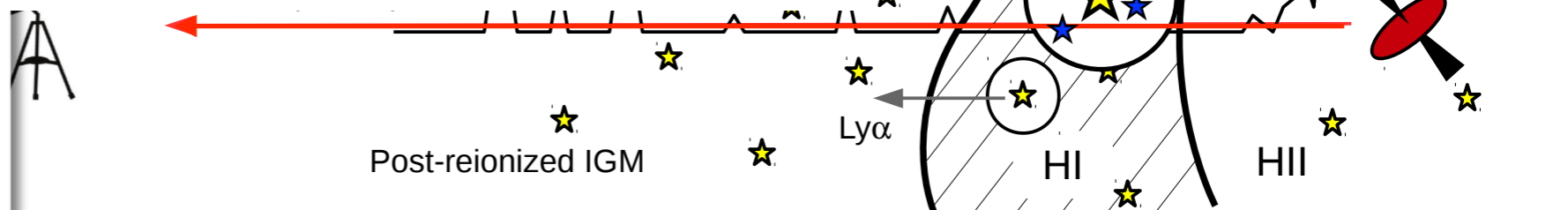
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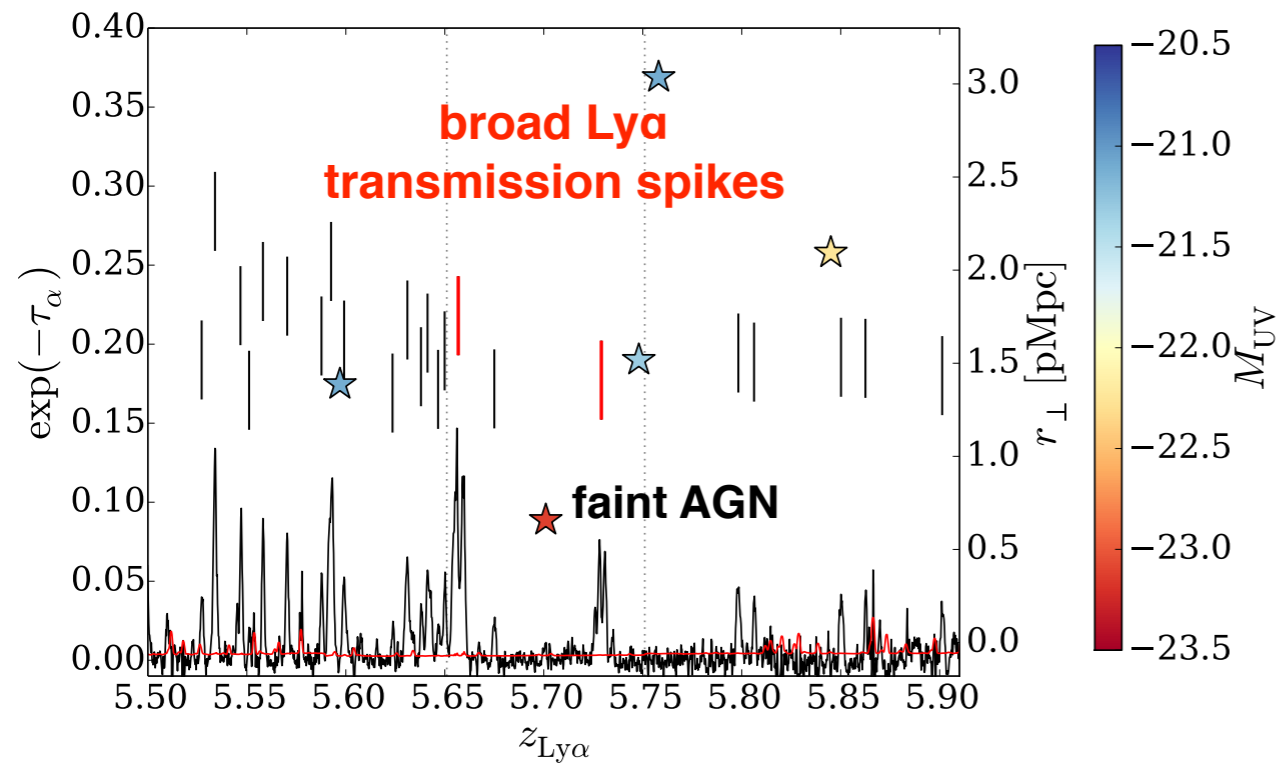
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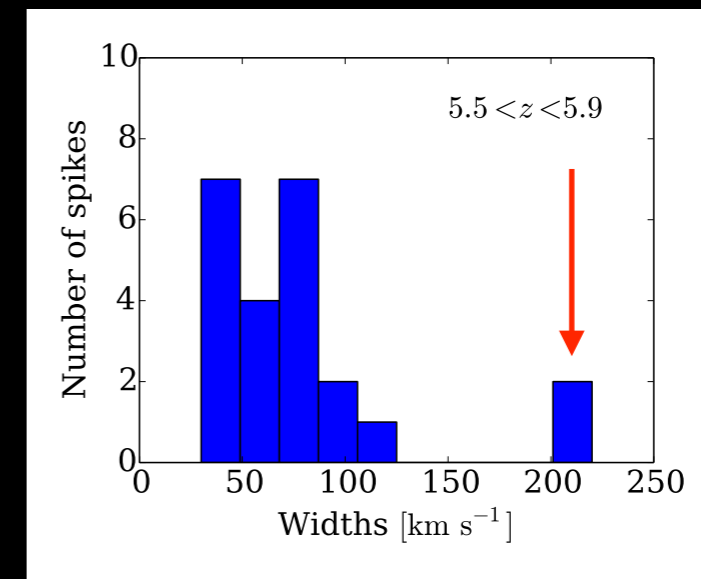
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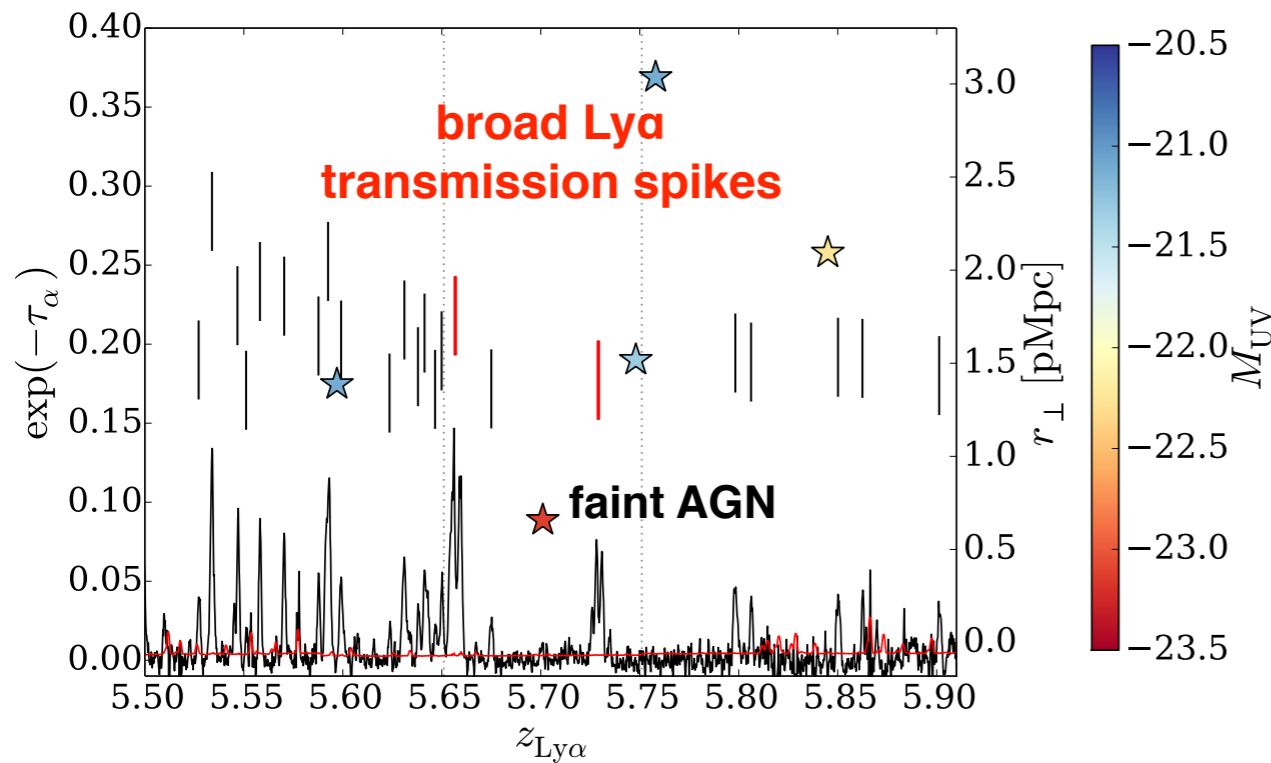
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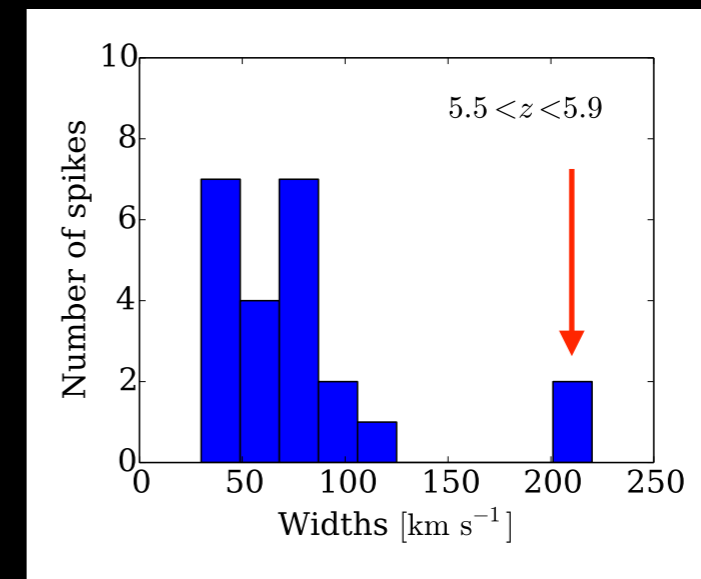
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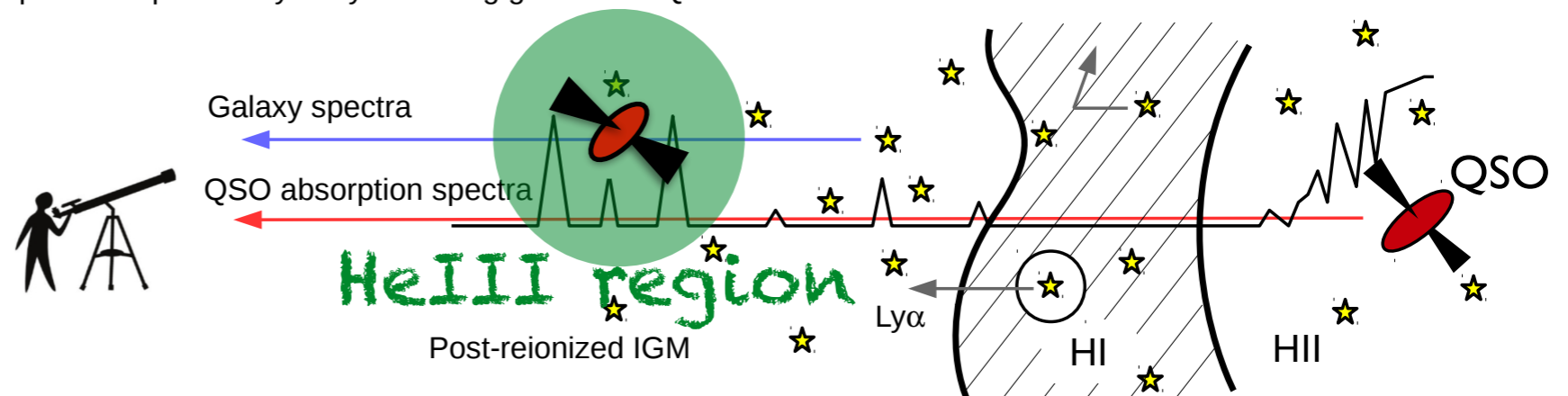
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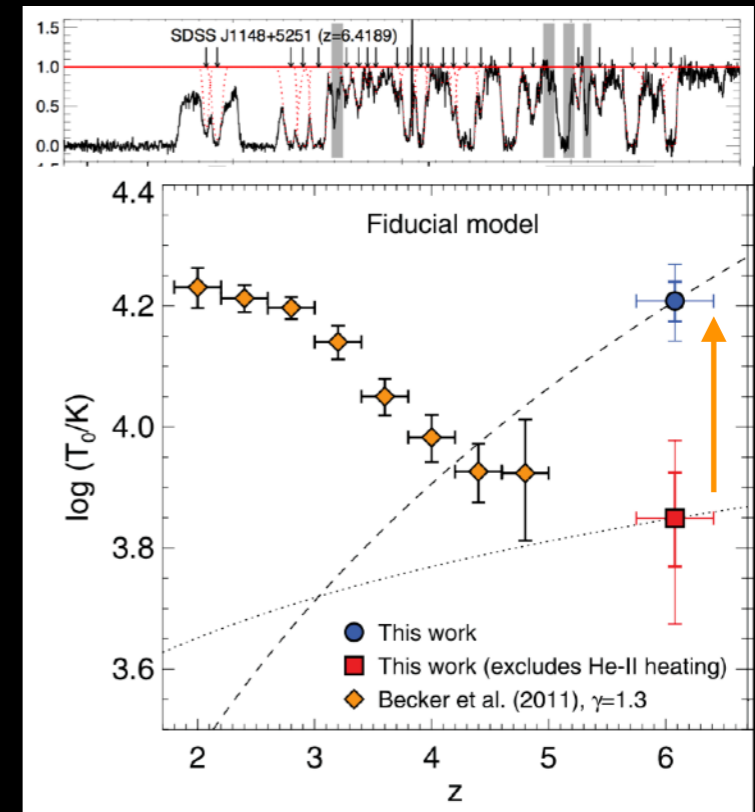
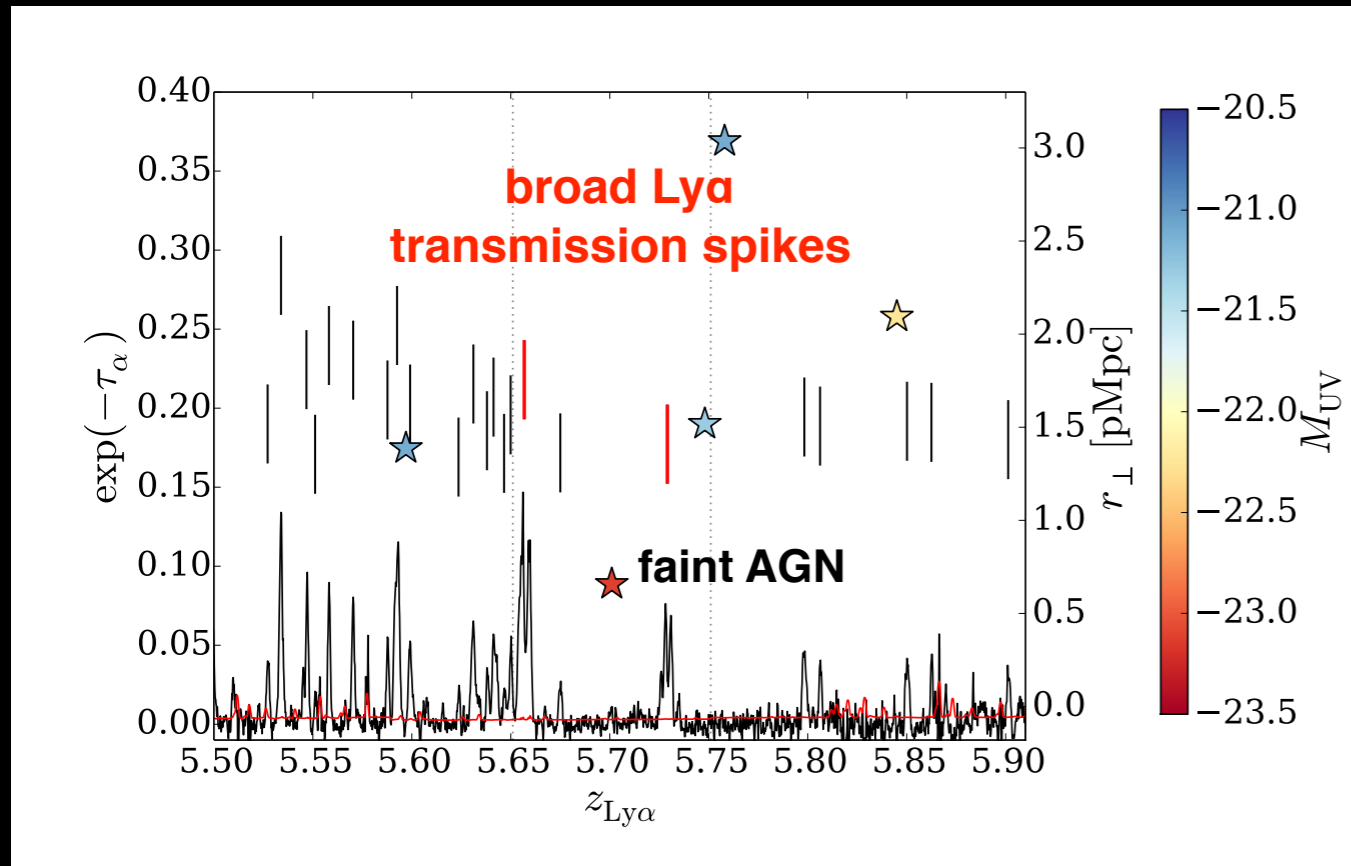
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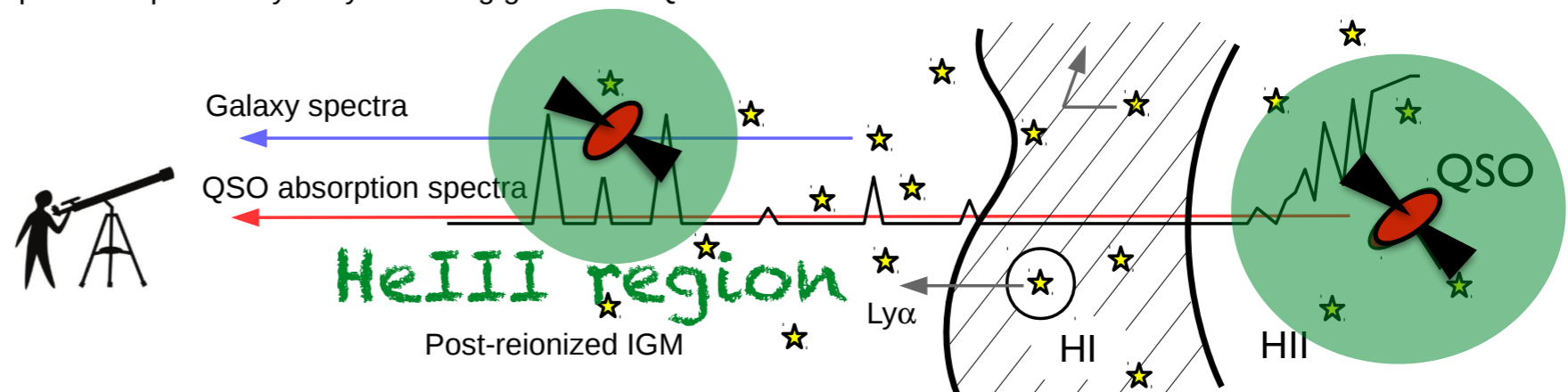
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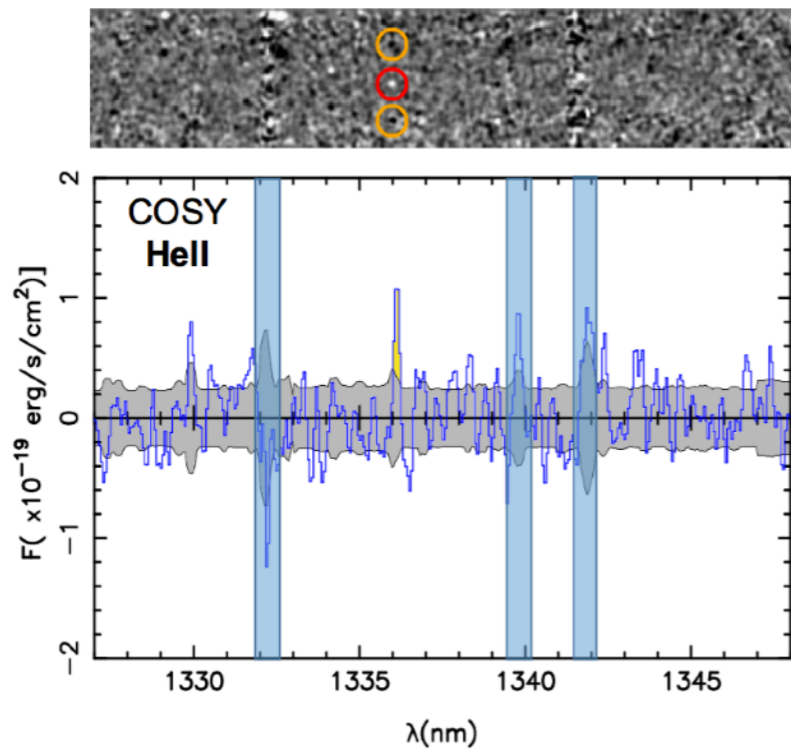
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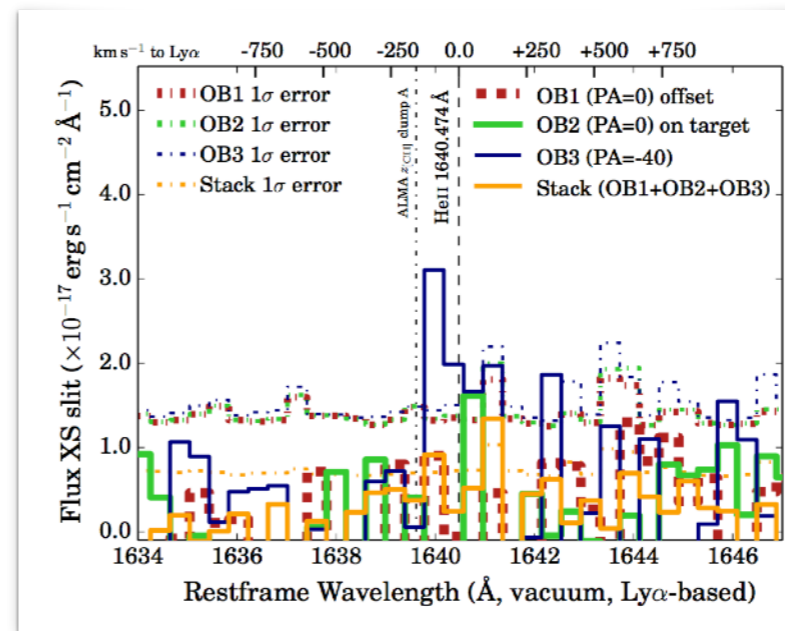


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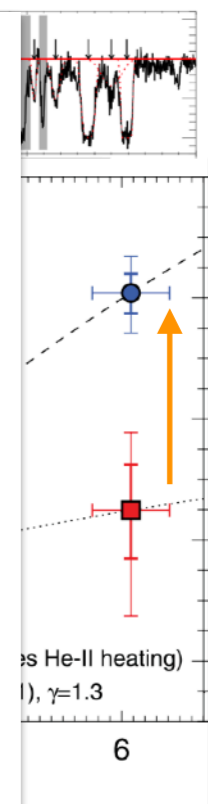
Galaxy that could drive HeII reionization in its local environment



z=7.15 galaxy with AGN activity
(Laporte+2017)



and z=6.6 CR7?
(Sobral+2018, but Shibuya+2018)



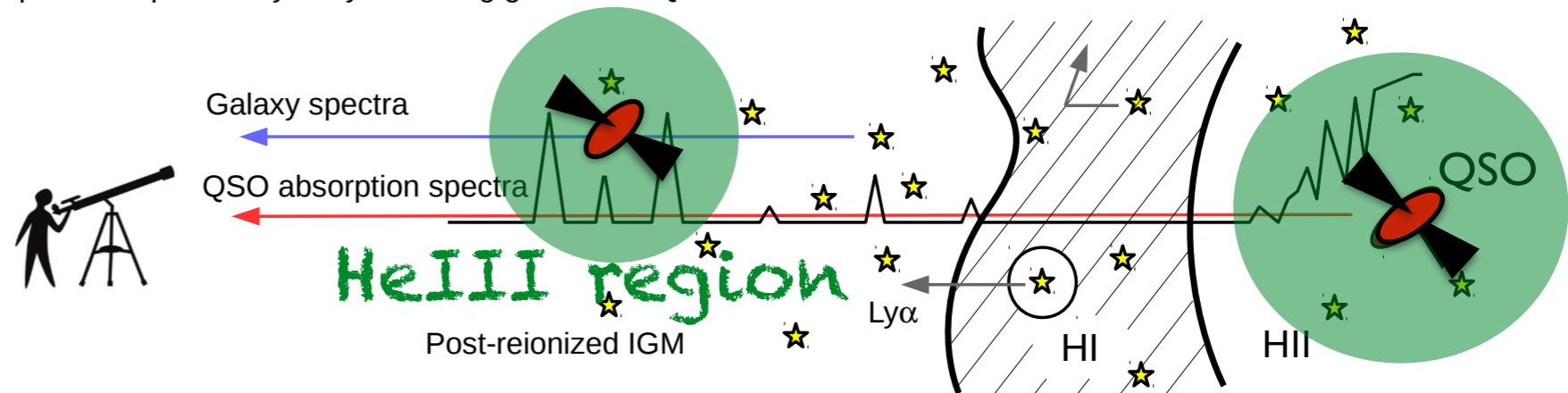
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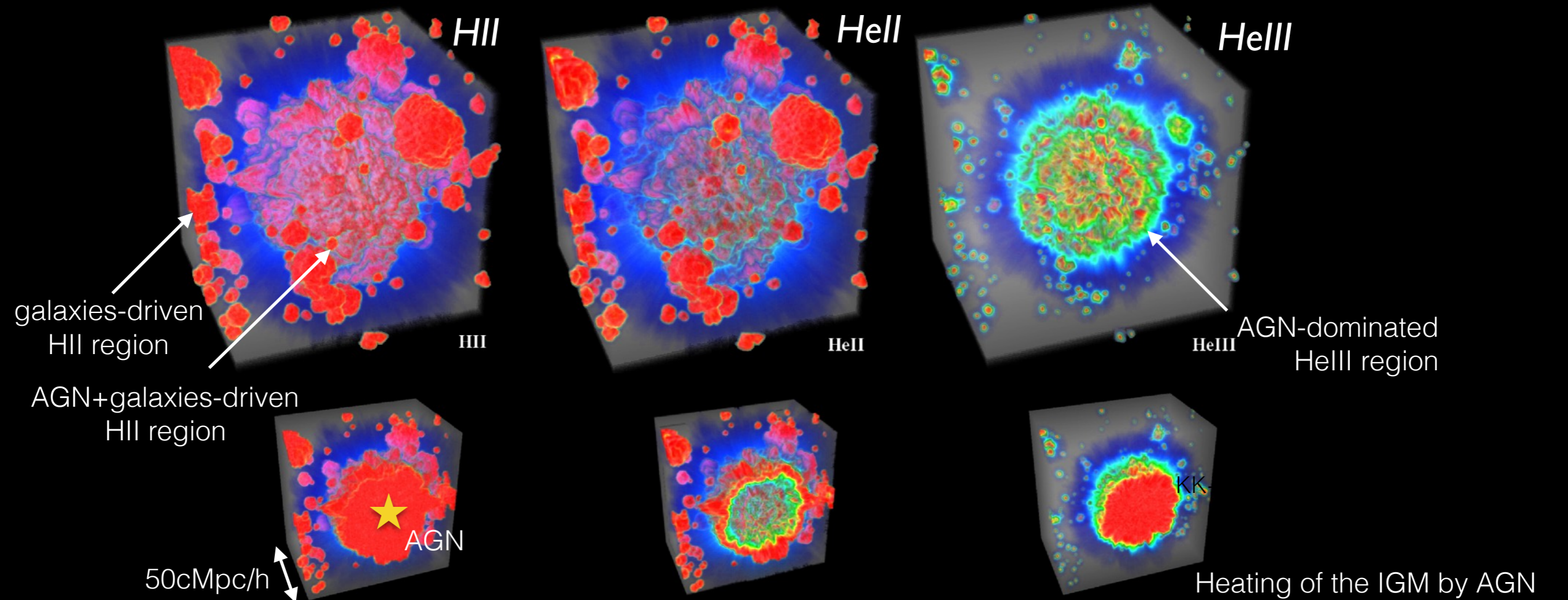
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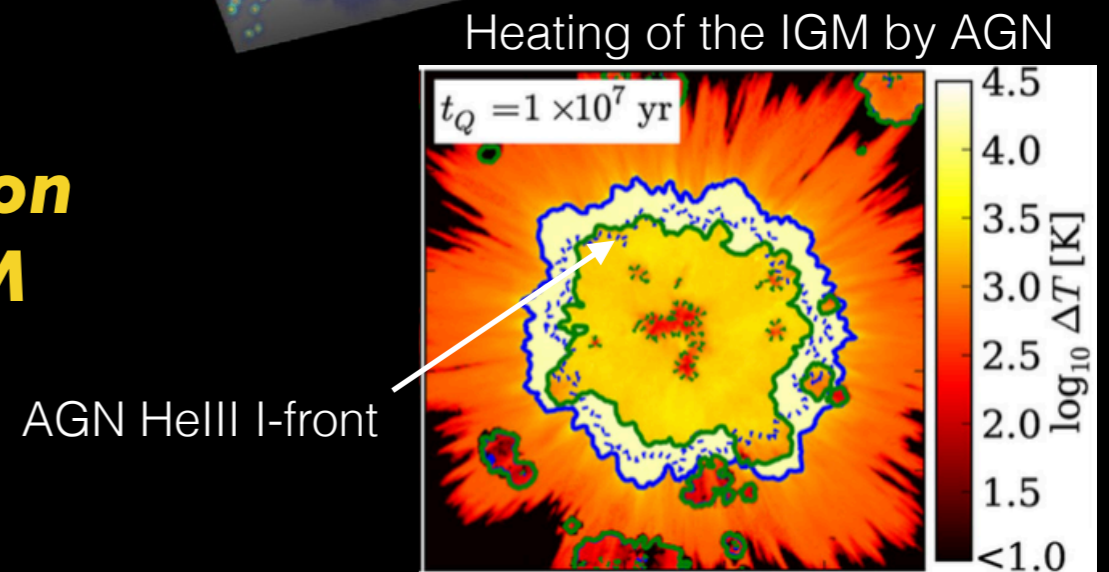
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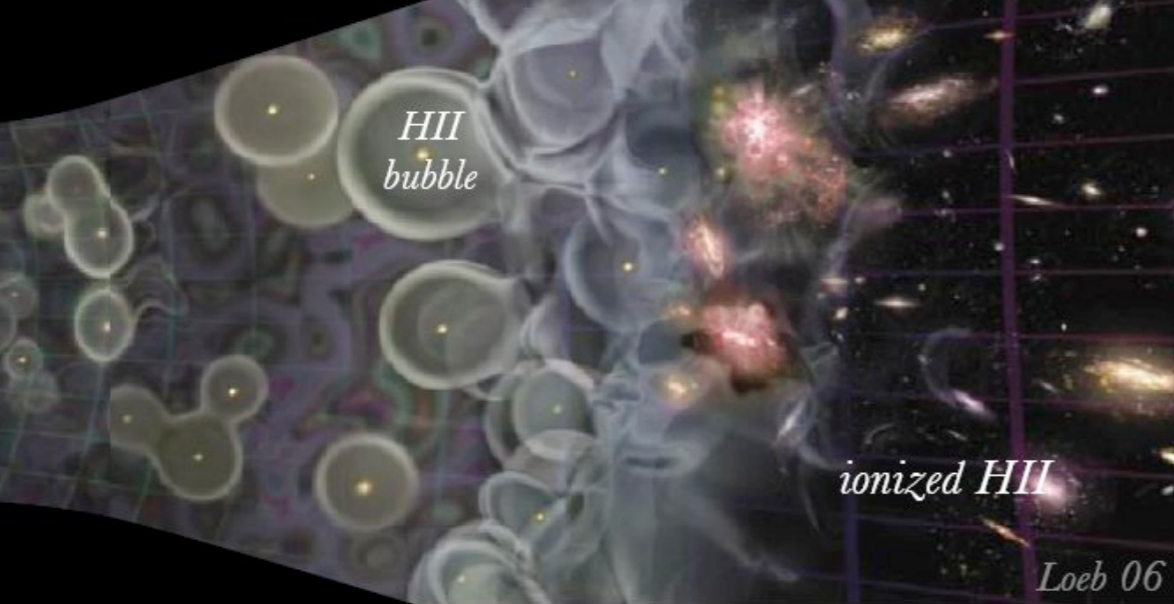
Multi-frequency radiative transfer simulation of hydrogen & helium reionization with galaxies and AGN

Kakiichi+2017



The ‘concerted’ impact of galaxies & AGN on the ionization and thermal state of the IGM in its local environment?





Hypothesis emerging from J1148+5251 QSO field

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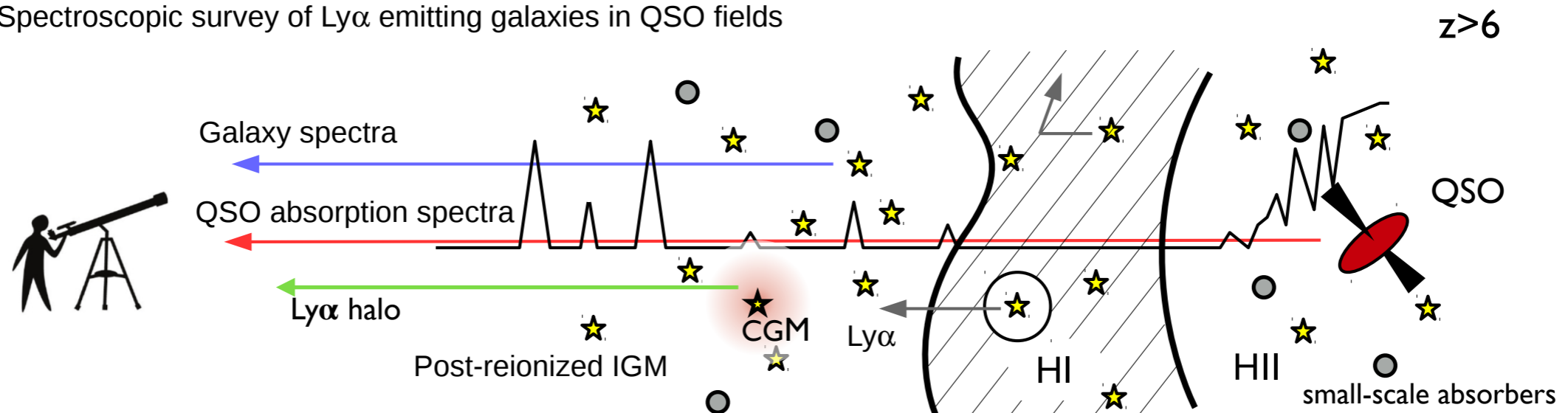
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1) A new route to escape fraction. 2) Role of luminous galaxies and AGN. 3) ... more!