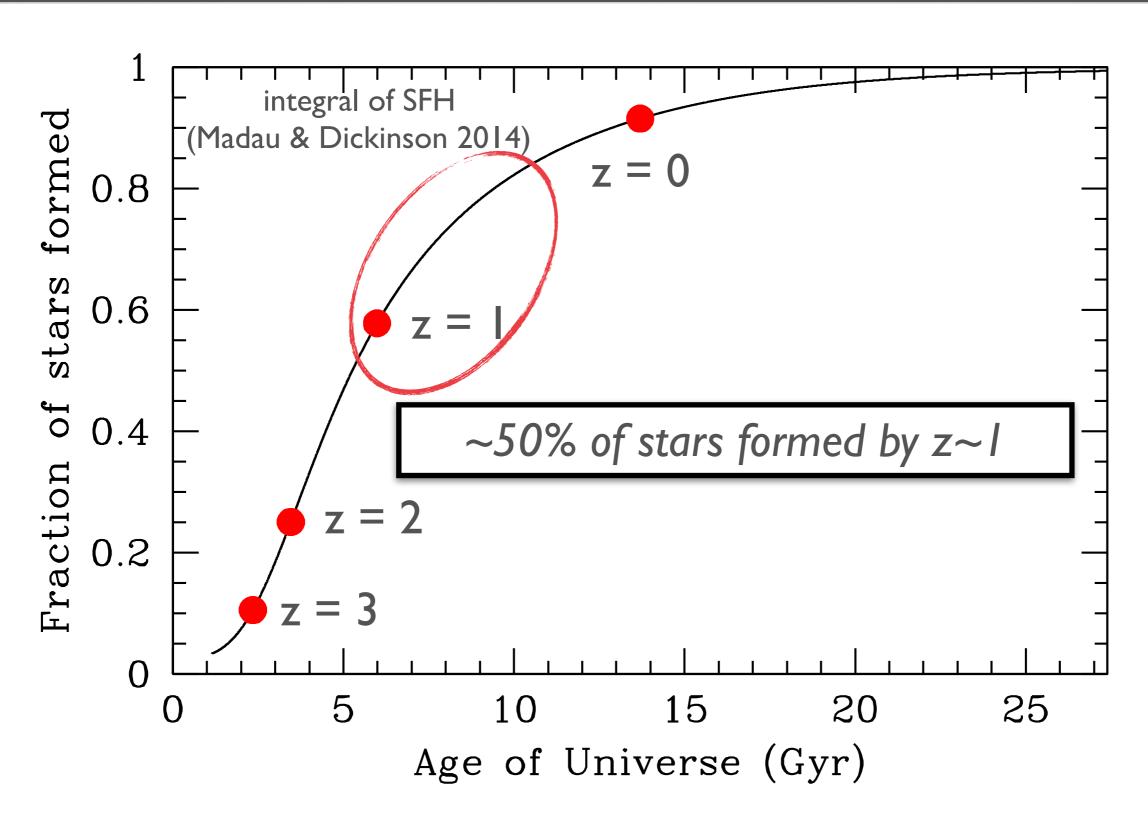
Tracing galaxy formation with deep spectroscopic survey

Multiple paths from star-forming to quiescence

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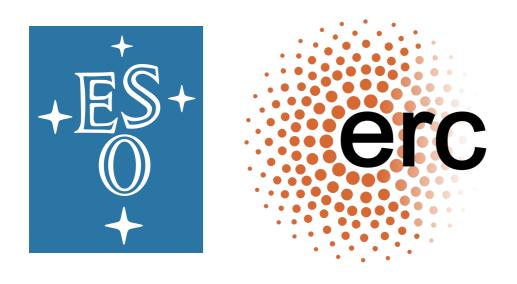
14 Gyr of Galaxy Evolution

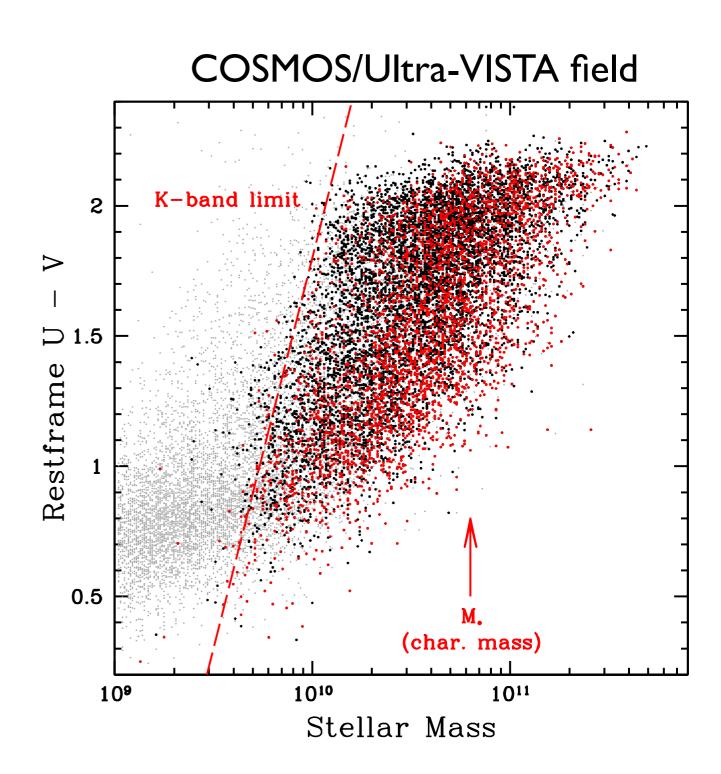


LEGA-C: a VLT / VIMOS Public Survey

Large Early Galaxy Astrophysics Census (van der Wel et al. 2016)

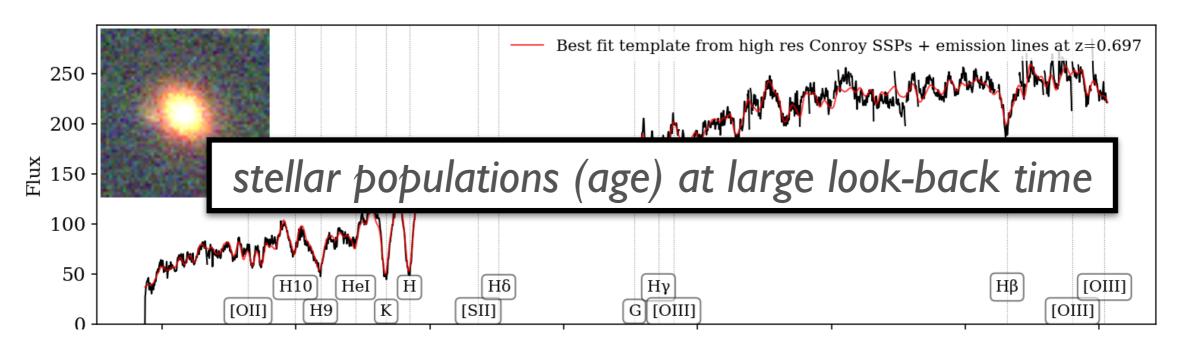
- > 1000hr allocation
- >3000 galaxies at 0.6 < z < 1.0
- 20h integrations.
- typical S/N=20/Å
- DR2





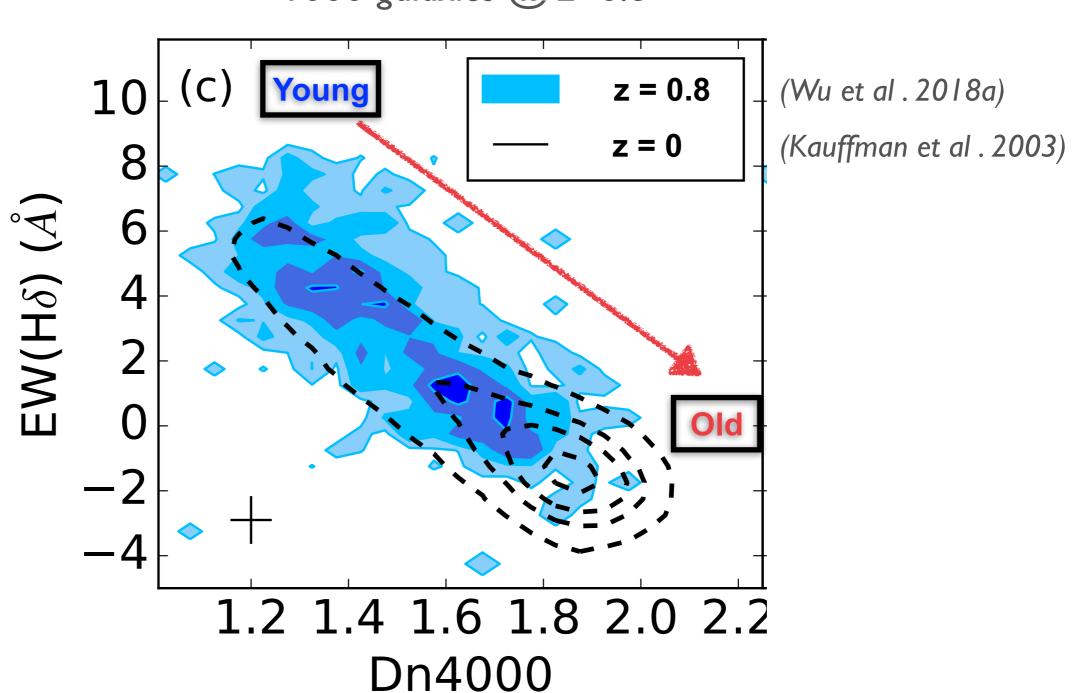
Stellar population



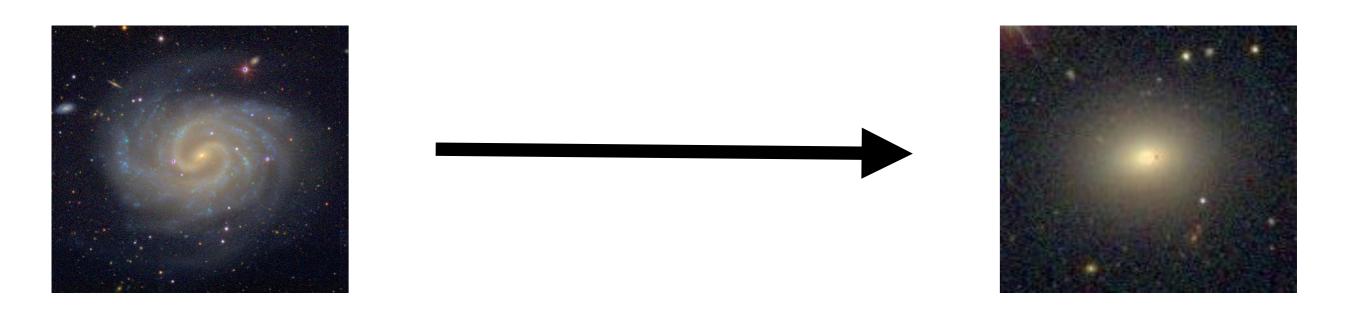


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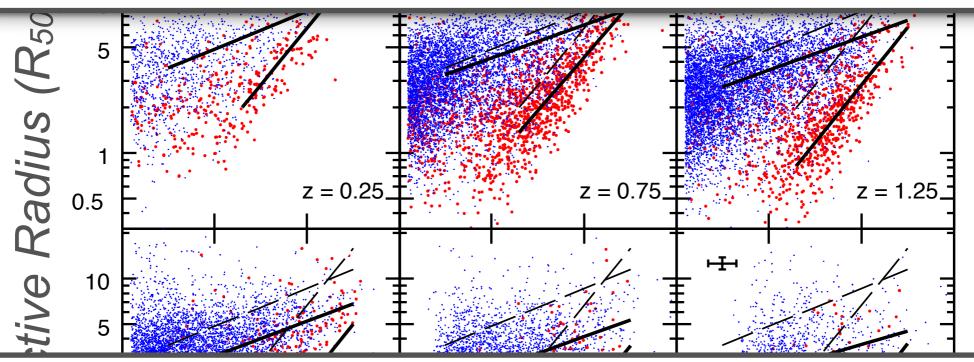


Question



Mass-size relation





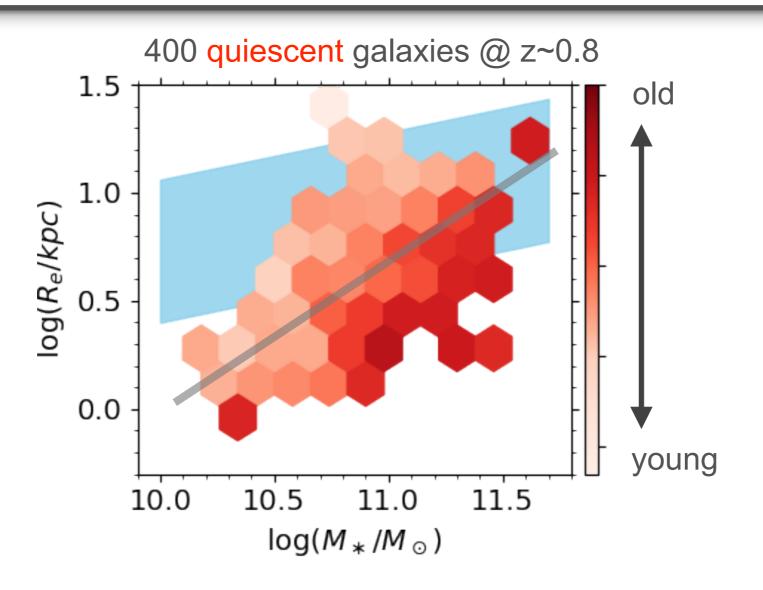
Scenario 2: Smaller galaxies evolve faster

 Smaller quiescent galaxies should be older

Stellar Mass (M_{\odot})

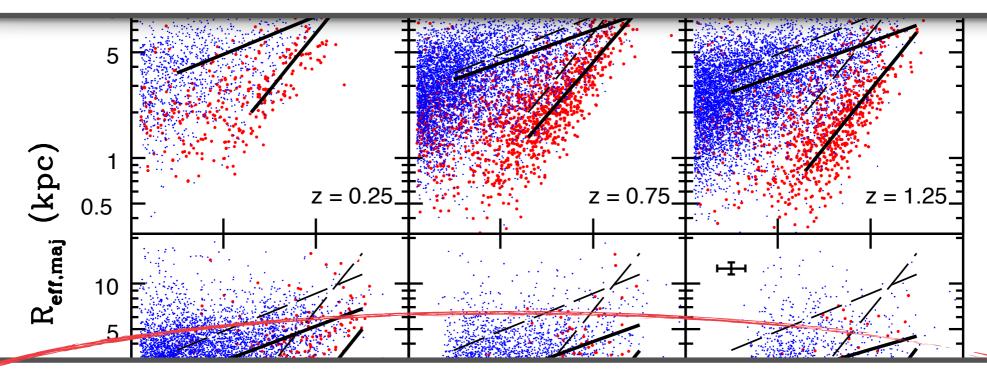
Stellar ages of quiescent galaxies

Small quiescent galaxies are on average older



Mass-size relation

Scenario 1: SFR and size decrease at the same time



Scenario 2: Smaller galaxies evolve faster

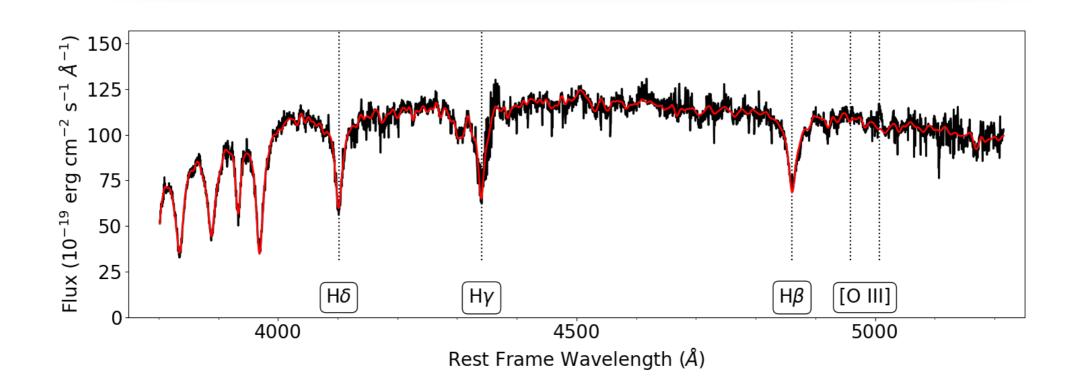
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A different view from "Young" galaxies

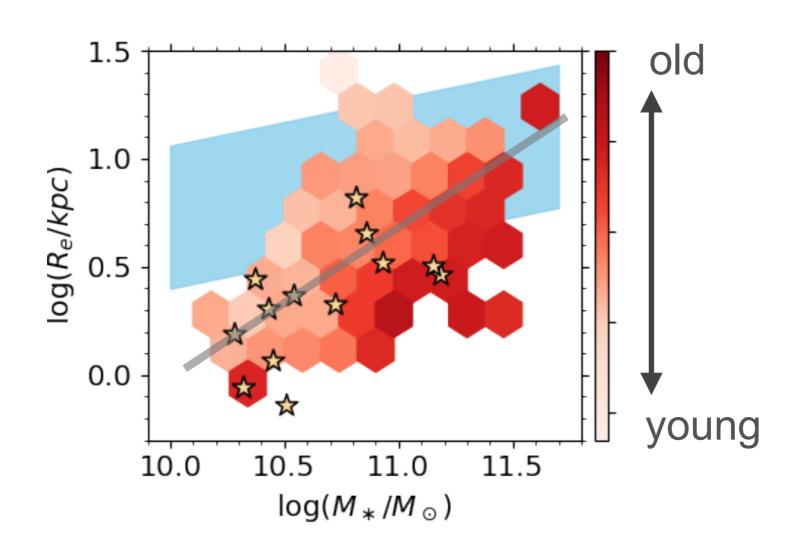
- Quiescent galaxies with strong
 Balmer absorption: A-type stars
- Star-formation declines rapidly
- "post-starburst galaxies"

Are these "A-type" galaxies larger?



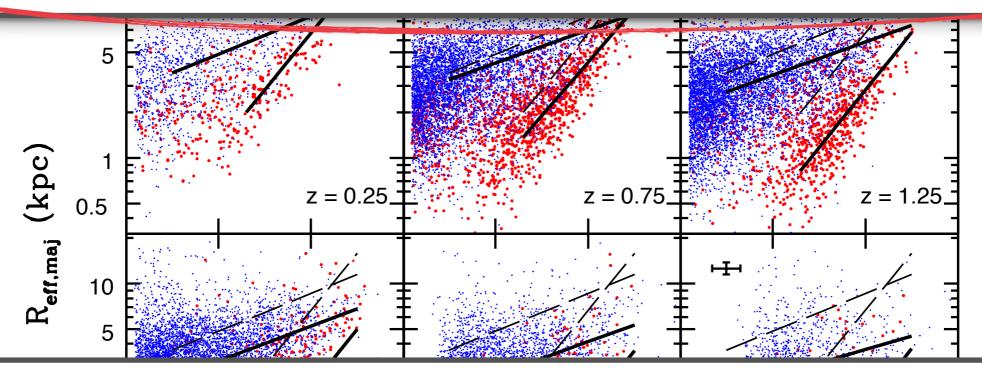
Size of "A-type" galaxies

No! "A-type" galaxies are not large & much smaller than average SF galaxies



Mass-size relation

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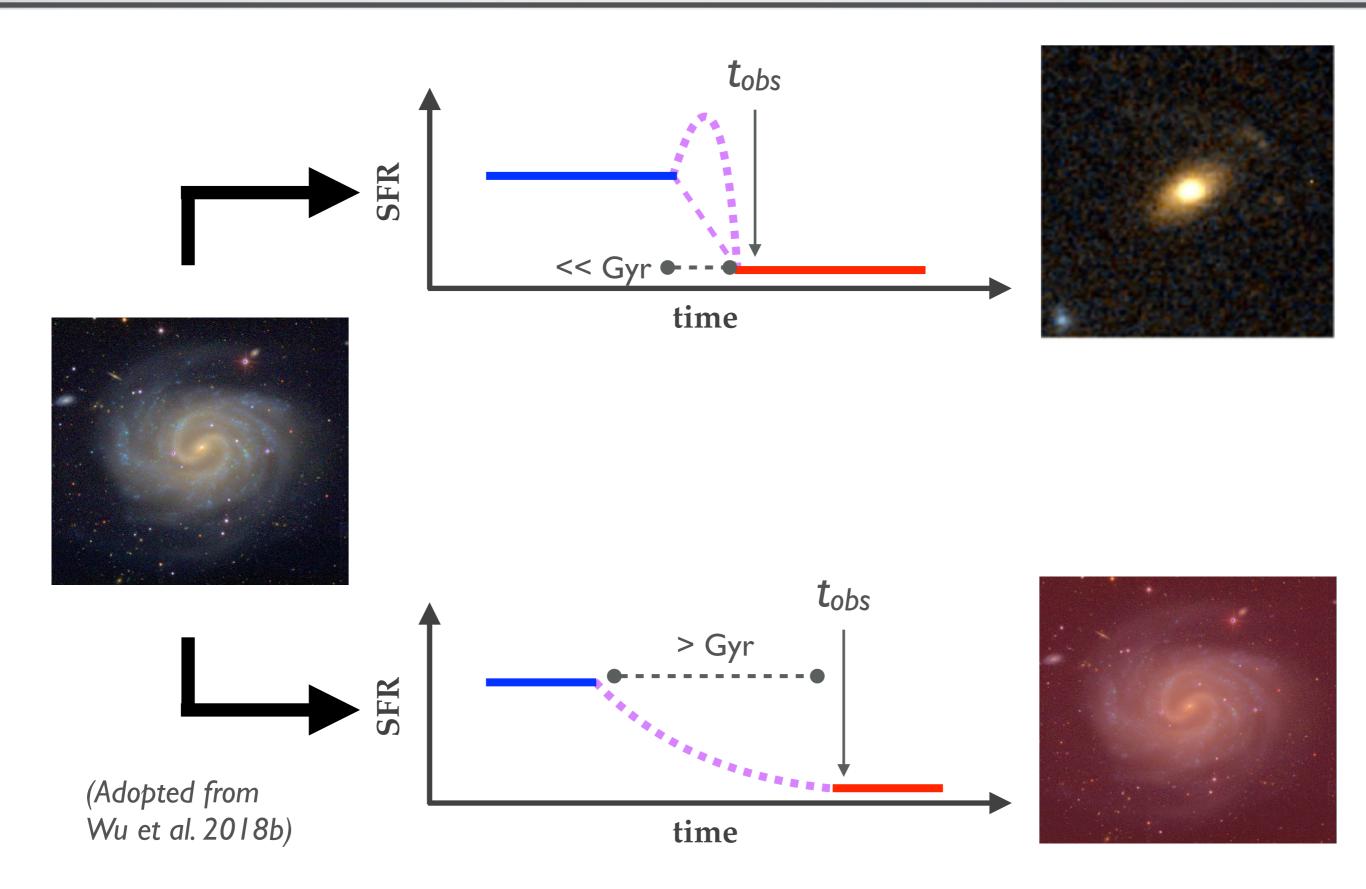
— Smaller quiescent galaxies

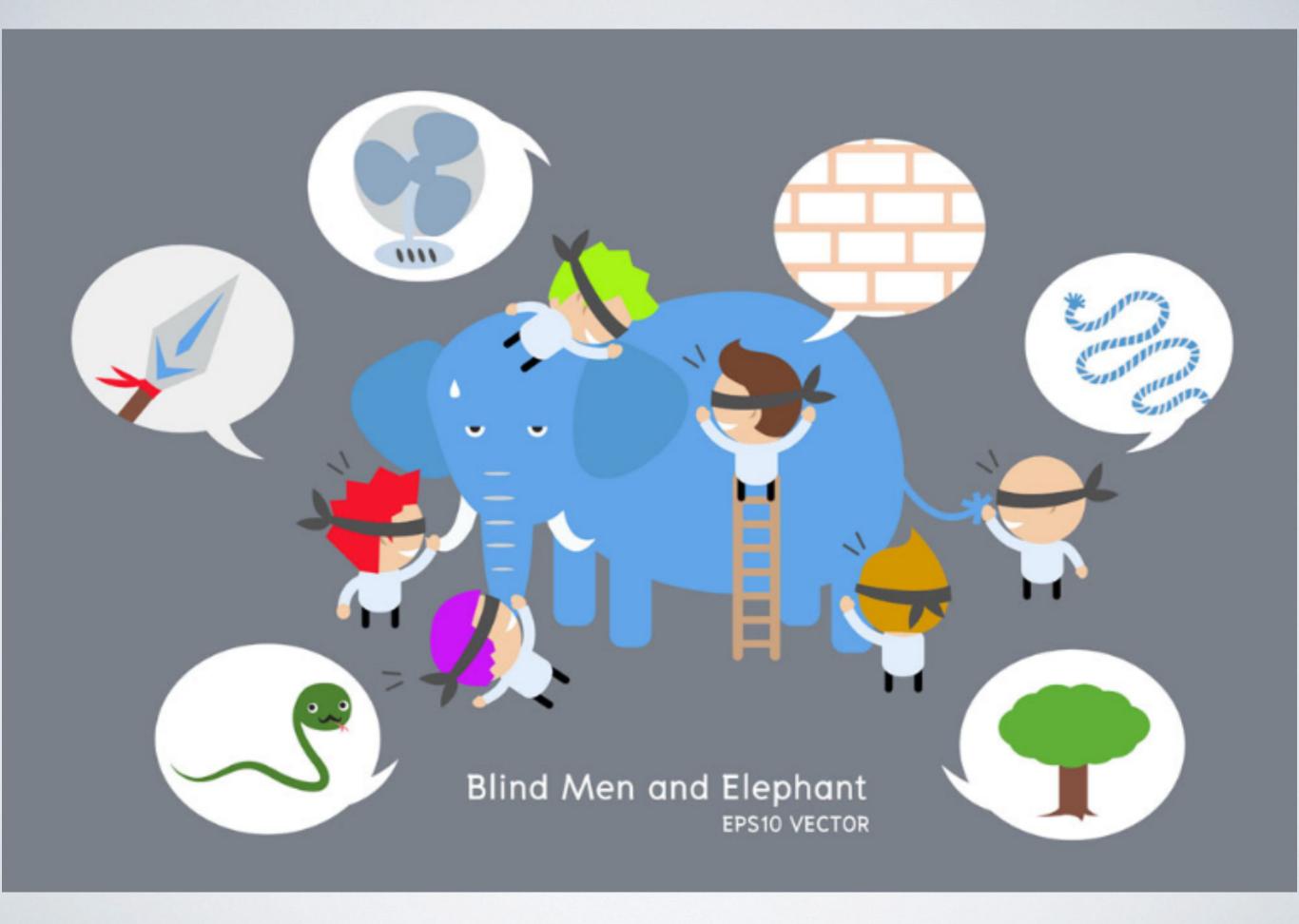
should be older

Stellar Mass (M_{\odot})

(van der Wel et al. 2014)

Multiple ways to quiescence (@ z~1)?



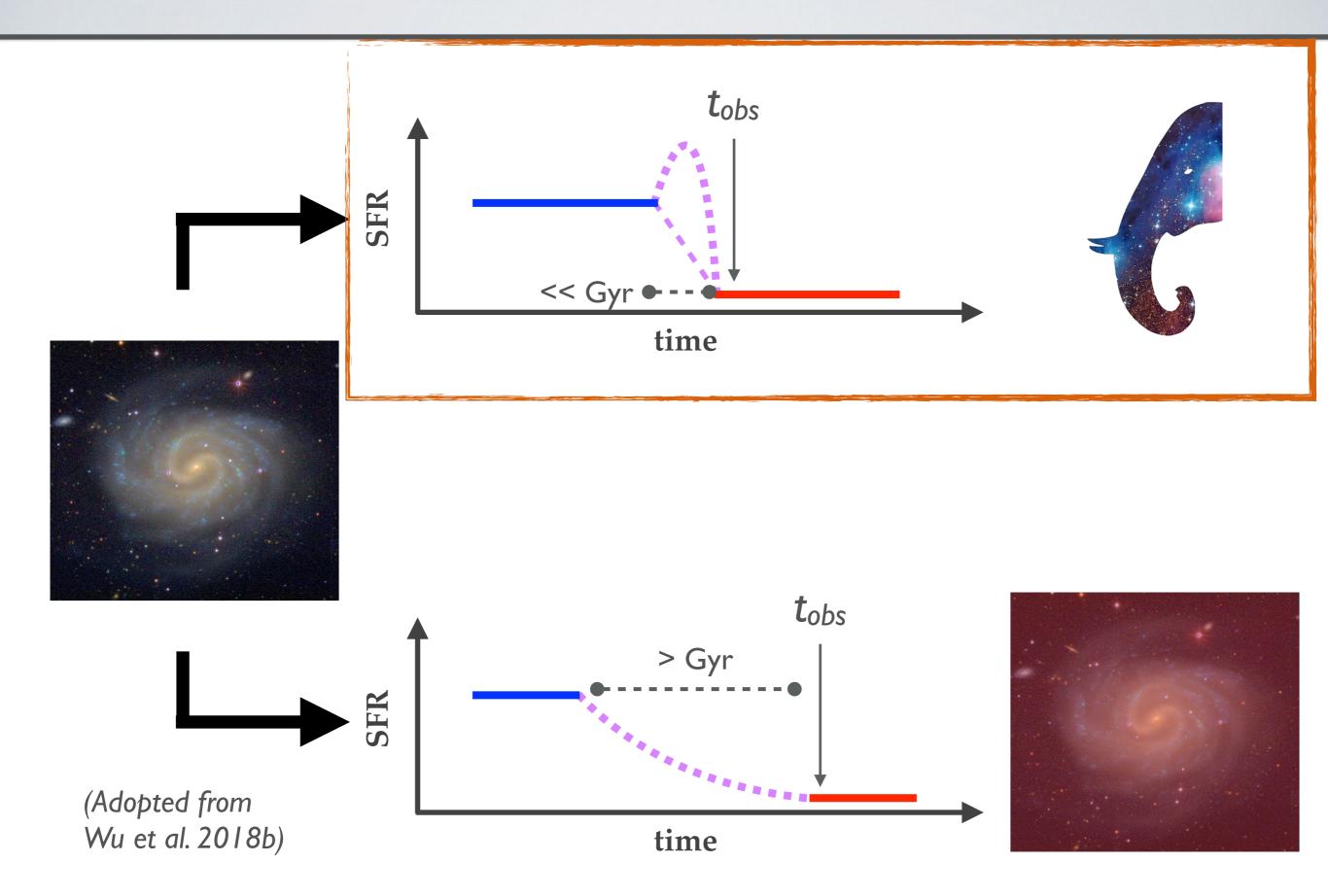








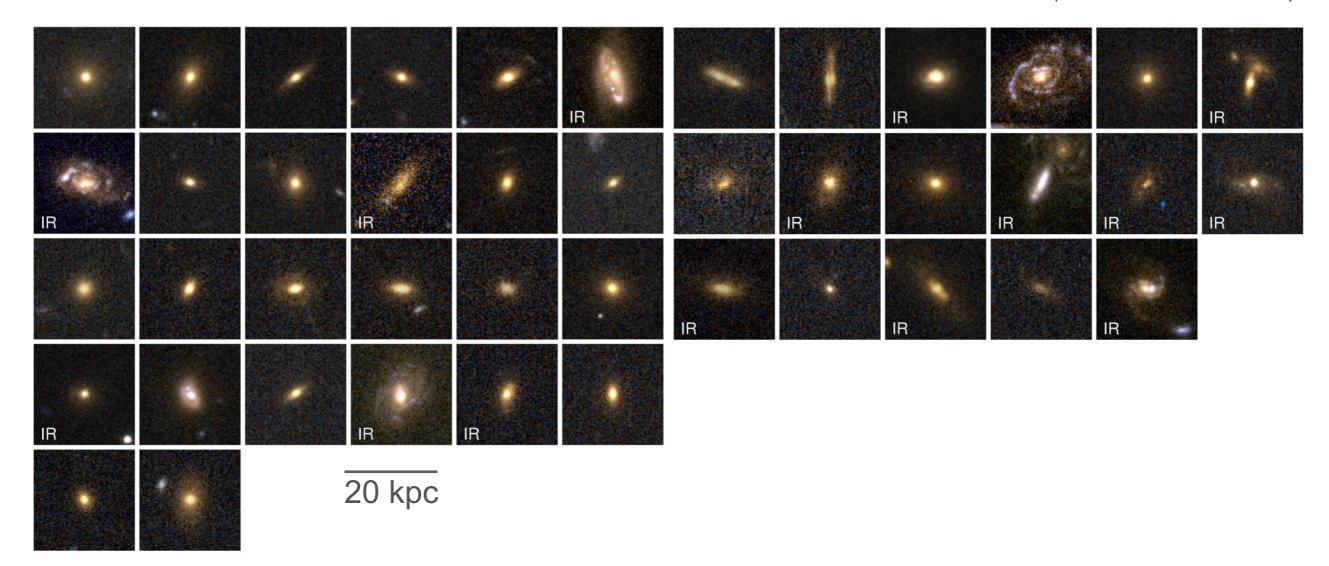
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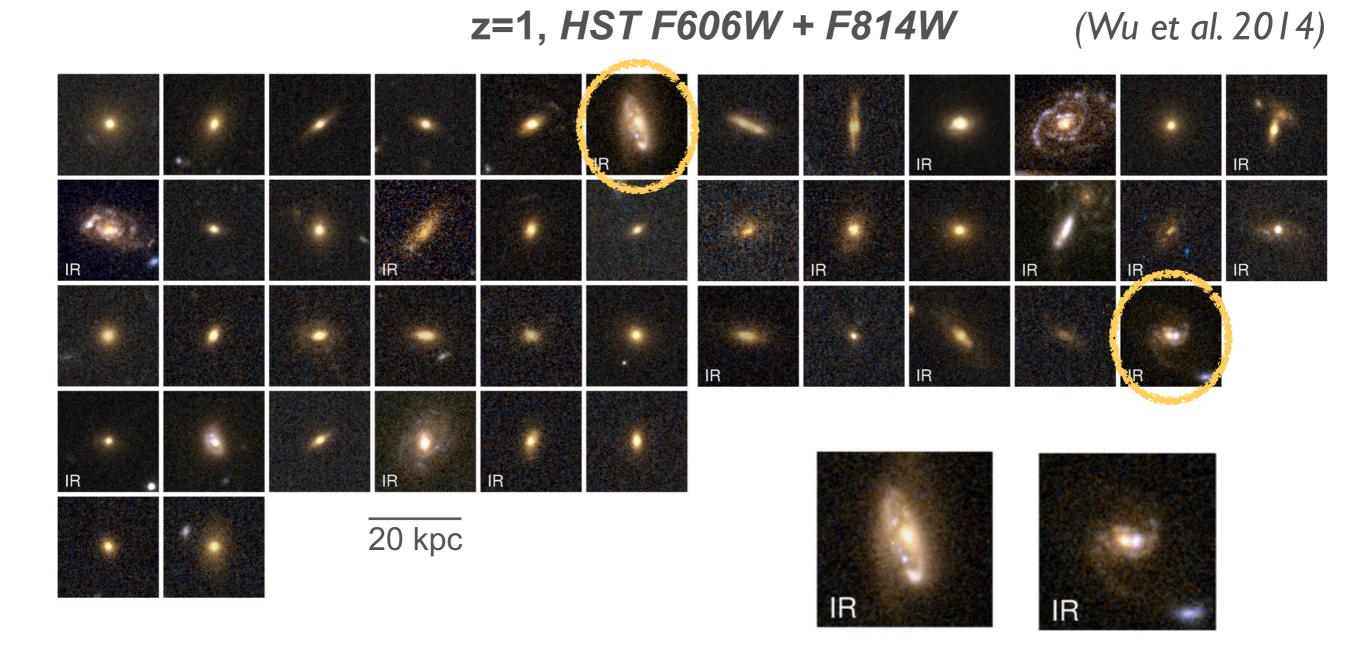
Gallery of "A-type" Galaxies

z=1, *HST F606W* + *F814W*

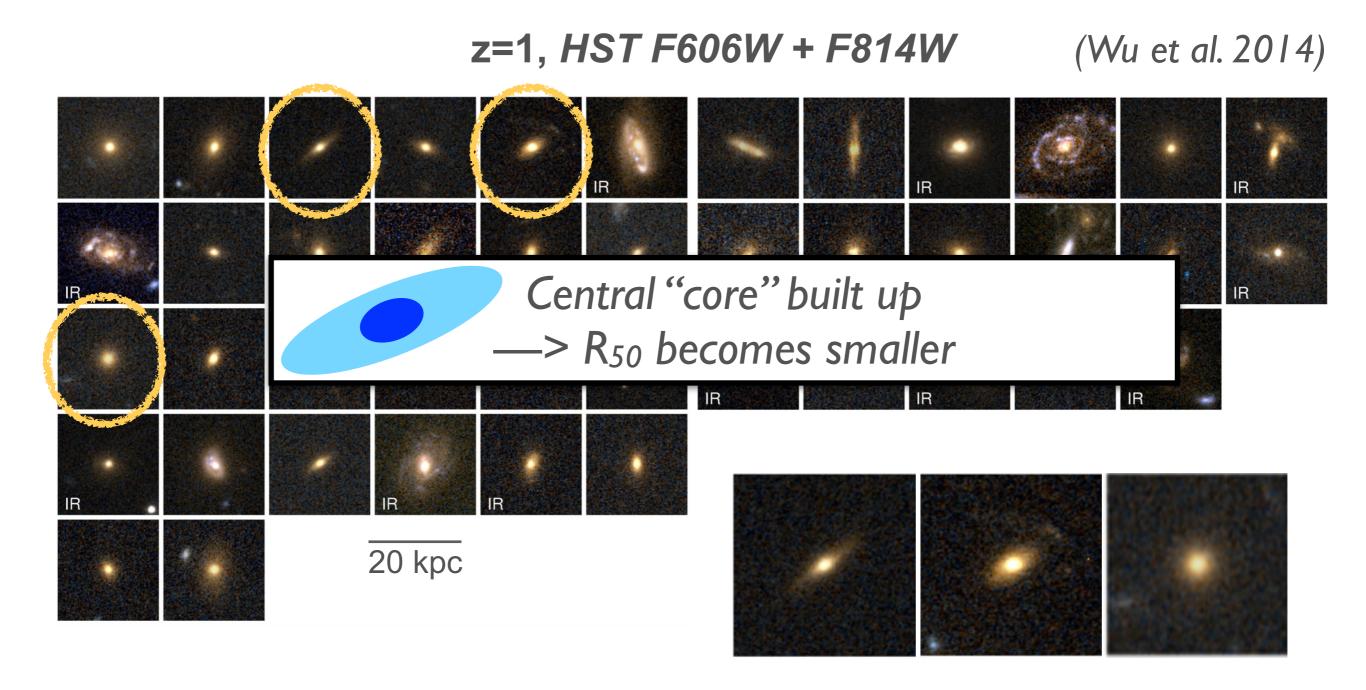
(Wu et al. 2014)



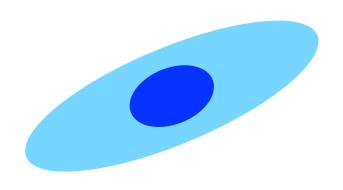
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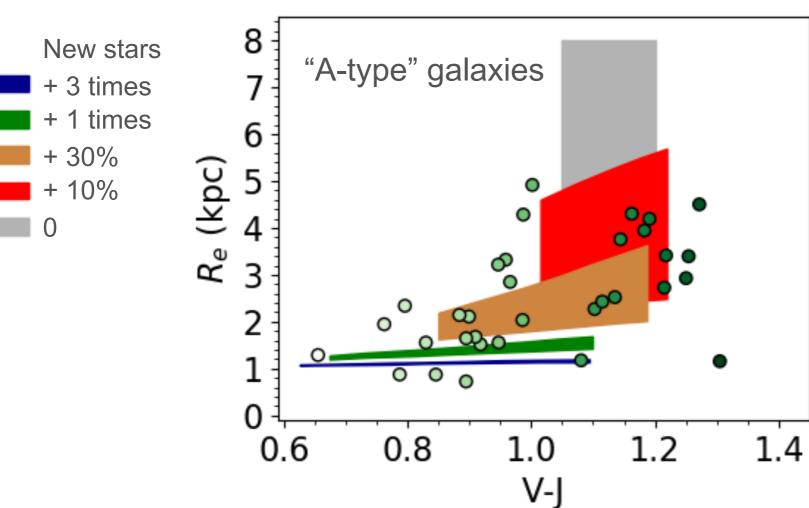


Correlation between colors and sizes



More new stars in the center ->

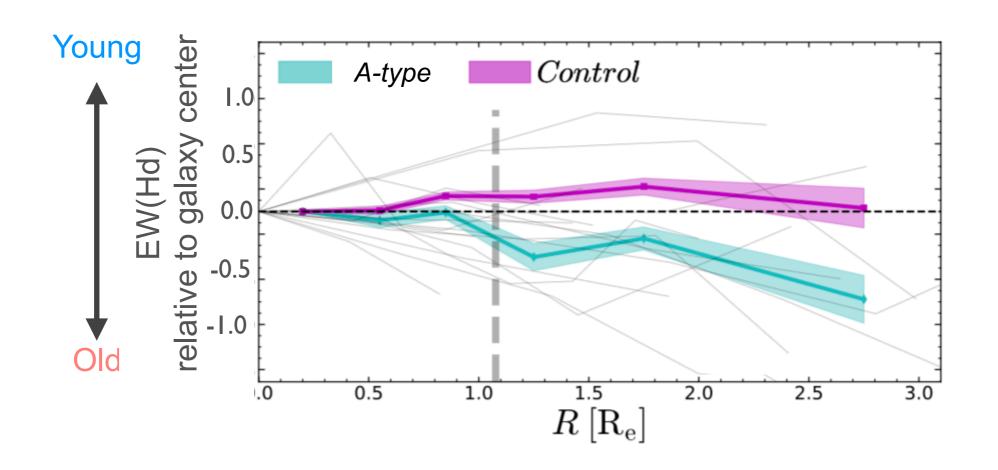
- 1. Smaller R₅₀
- 2. Bluer color



(Wu et al. 2019, sub.)

Age gradient

"A-type" galaxies have younger center
—> Different formation paths



(D' Eugenio et al. 2019, in prep)

Take-away points



Multiple mechanisms are shutting down SF:

- Slow, little structural transformation
- Rapid, significant structural transformation



Before a galaxy rapidly shuts down star-formation, new stars formed in the galaxy center

Deep spectroscopic survey is useful to picture the elephant and **PFS** can do it