

The Sydney-AAO Multi-object Integral field spectrograph

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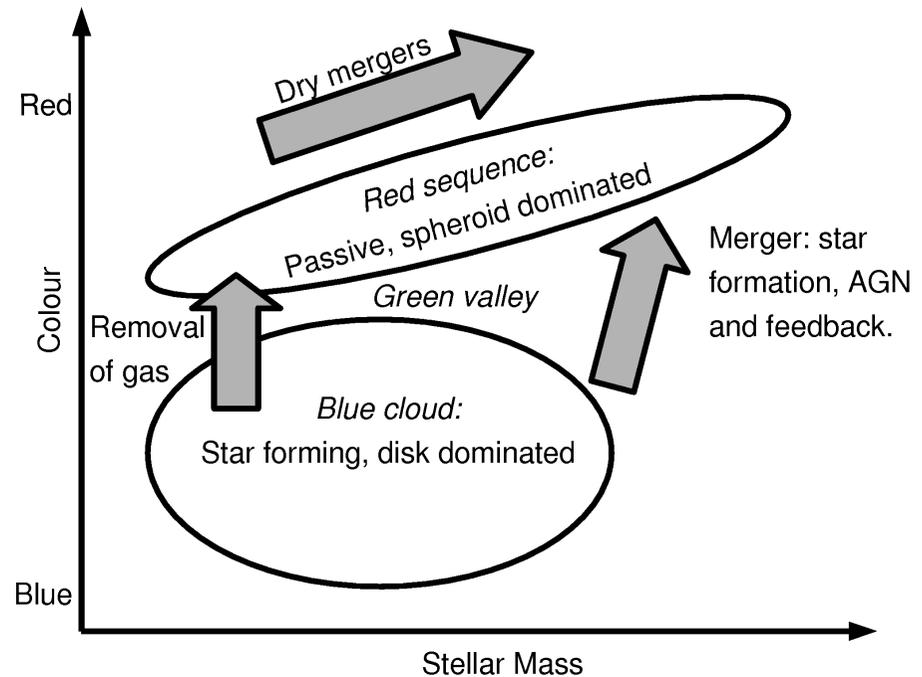
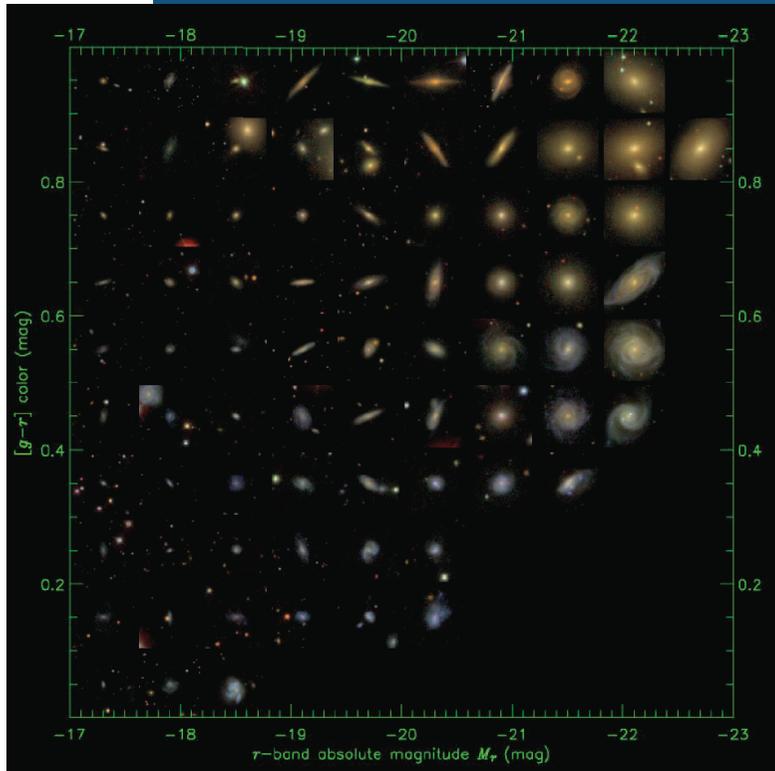
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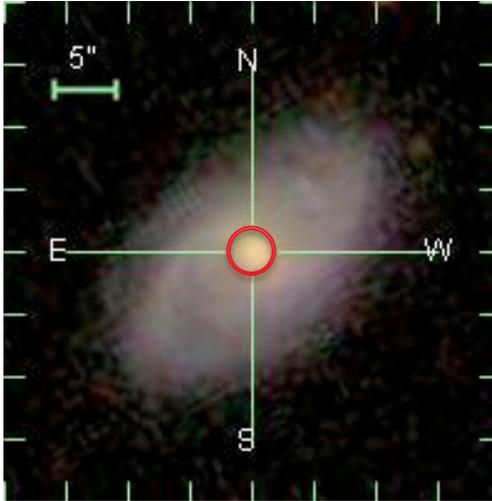
- › The rationale for massive IFU surveys.
- › The Sydney-AAO Multi-object Integral field spectrograph (SAMI).
- › The SAMI Galaxy Survey.
- › The future – bigger and better...



SDSS: Blanton et al. (2006)

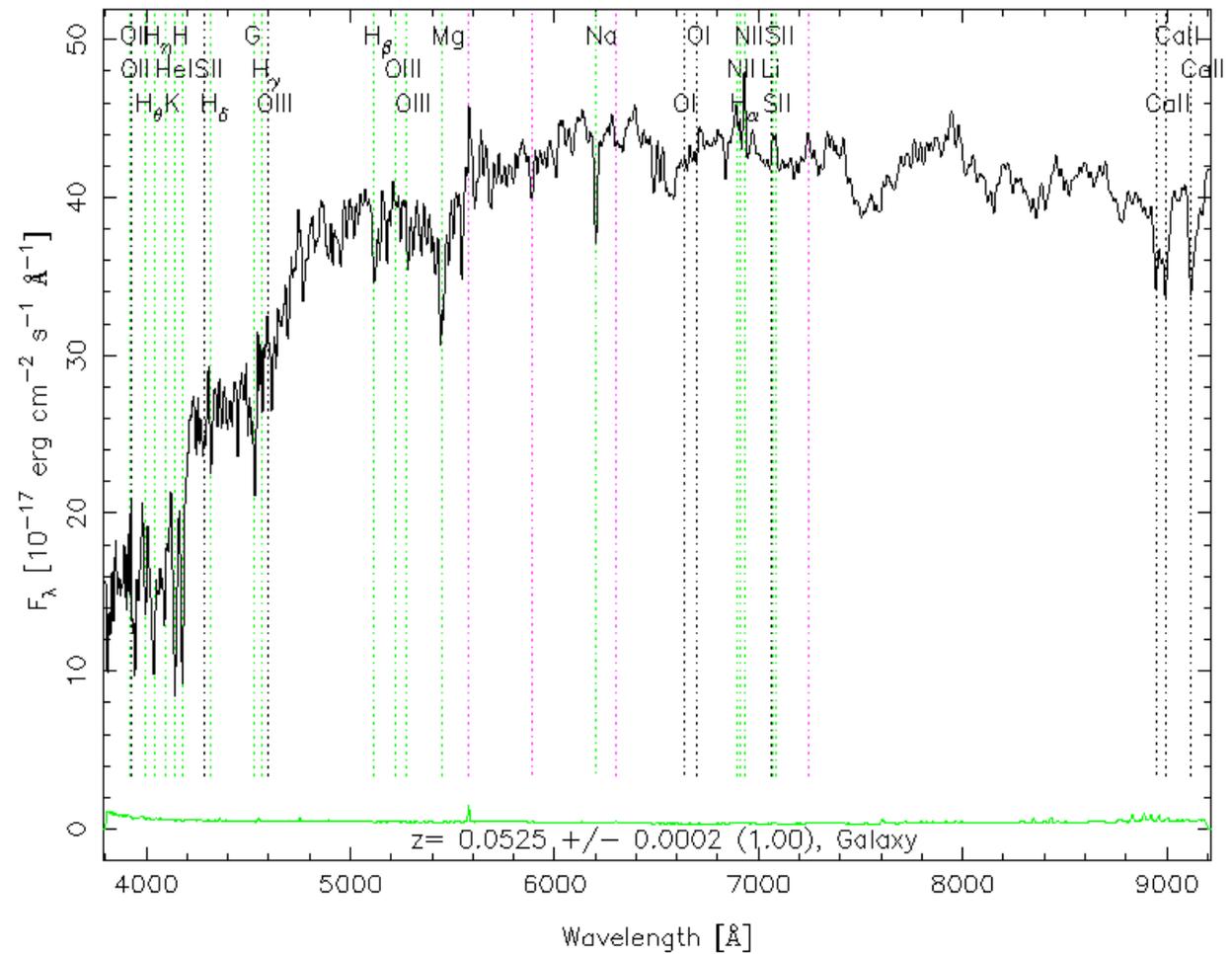
- › The physics of galaxy formation.
- › Which processes dominate in which regimes?
- › ***Moving from properties to processes....***

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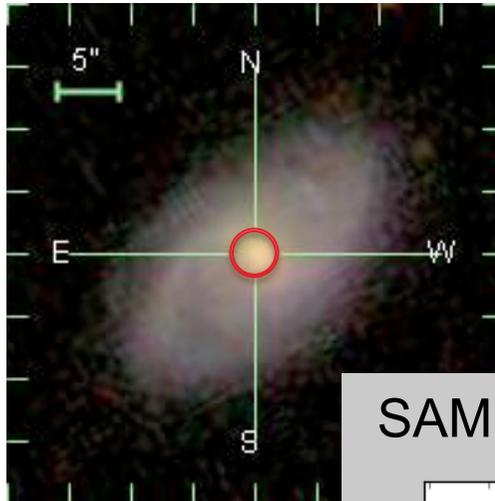


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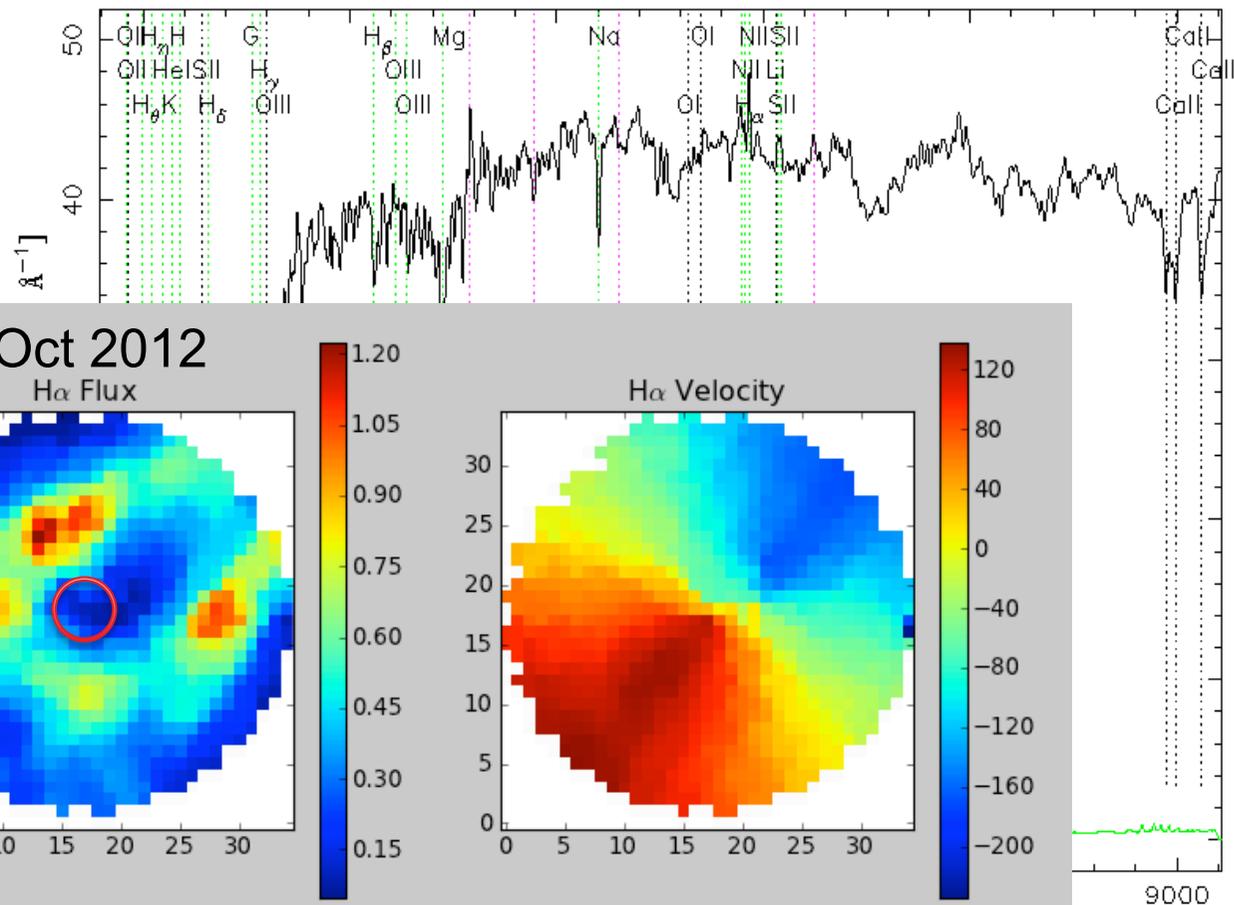


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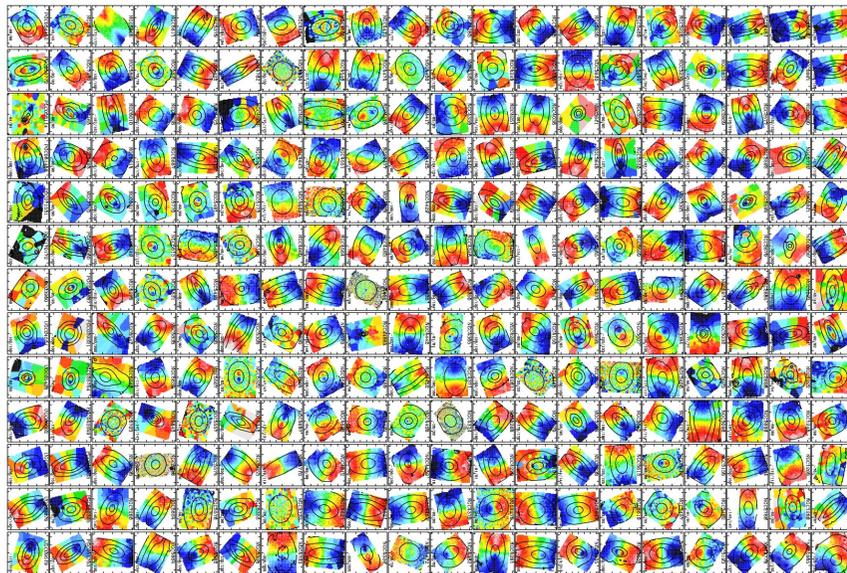
- › **What are the physical processes responsible for galaxy transformations?**
 - Morphological and kinematic transformations; suppression of star formation; internal vs. external; secular vs. fast; ram pressure stripping; harassment, strangulation; galaxy–group/cluster tides; galaxy-galaxy mergers; galaxy-galaxy interactions...
 - › **How does mass and angular momentum build up?**
 - The galaxy velocity function; stellar mass in dynamically hot and cold systems; galaxy merger rates; halo mass from velocity-field shear; Tully-Fisher relation...
 - › **Feeding and feedback: how does gas get into galaxies, and how does it leave?**
 - Winds and outflows; feedback vs. mass; triggering and suppression of SF; gas inflow; metallicity gradients; the role of AGN...
 - Important synergies with ASKAP HI surveys.
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Why large samples?

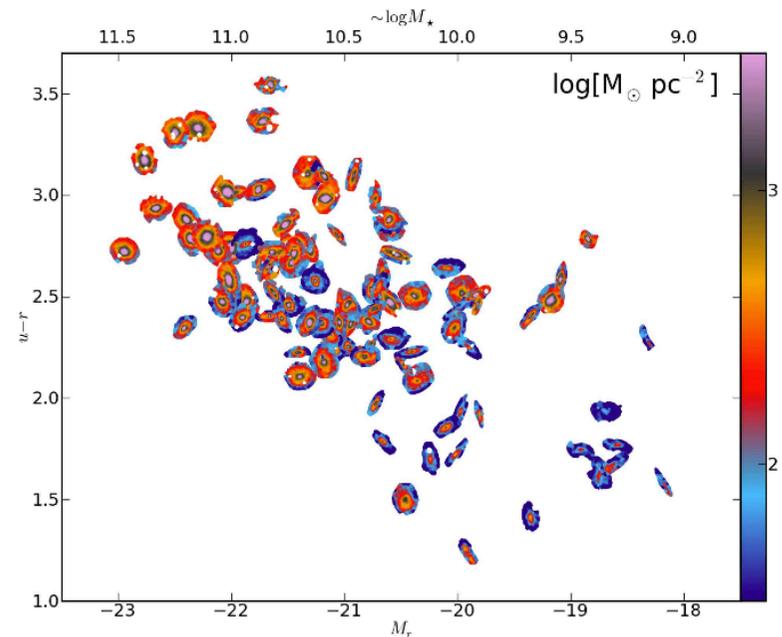
- › Complexity!
- › Galaxy formation depends on a number of parameters:
 - Stellar mass.
 - Halo mass.
 - Environment (is this the same as halo mass?).
 - Star formation history.
 - Merger history.
 - Intrinsic stochasticity (extra parameters?).
- › SDSS, 2dFGS and others have shown the power of large samples to address trends in multi-dimensional parameter spaces.

- › These are arguments well understood, and have led to projects such as:

ATLAS3D (e.g. Krajnovic et al 2011):
260 local early types using SAURON.

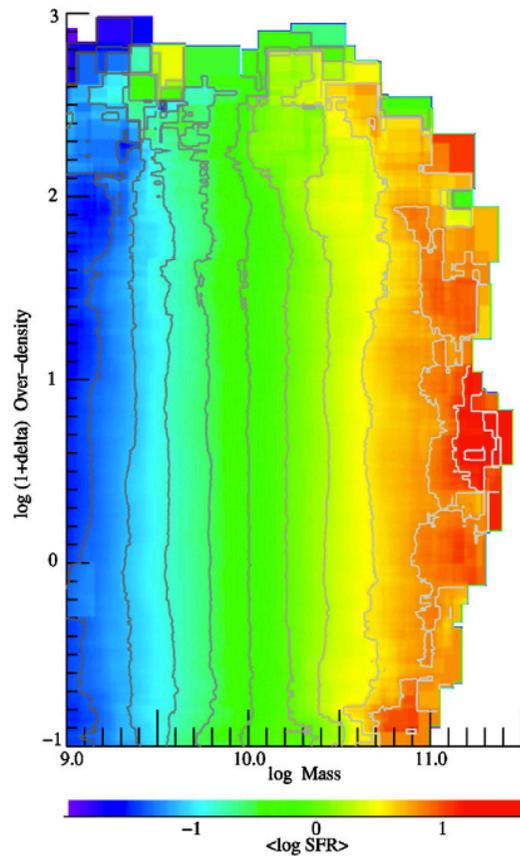


CALIFA (Sanchez et al 2012):
600 galaxies using PMAS.

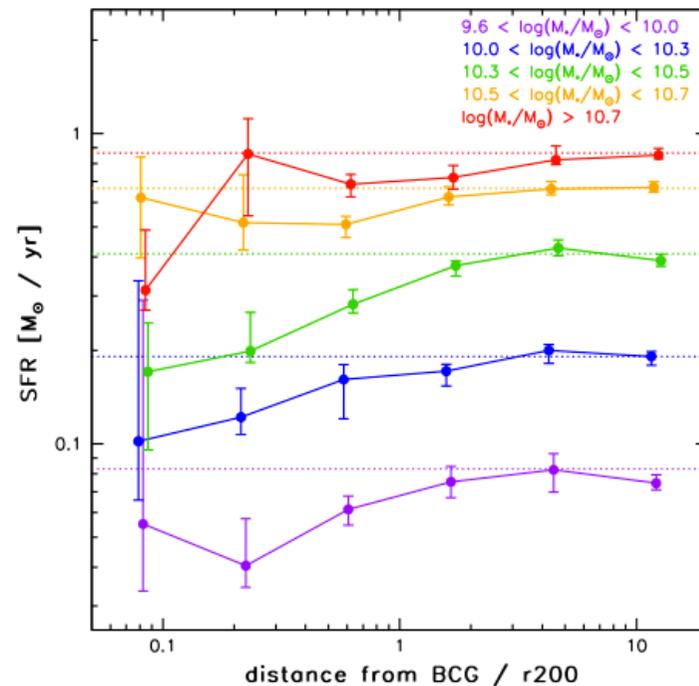


Talks by Roger Davies & Nic Scott earlier this week.

- › Quenching star formation: what are the physical processes?



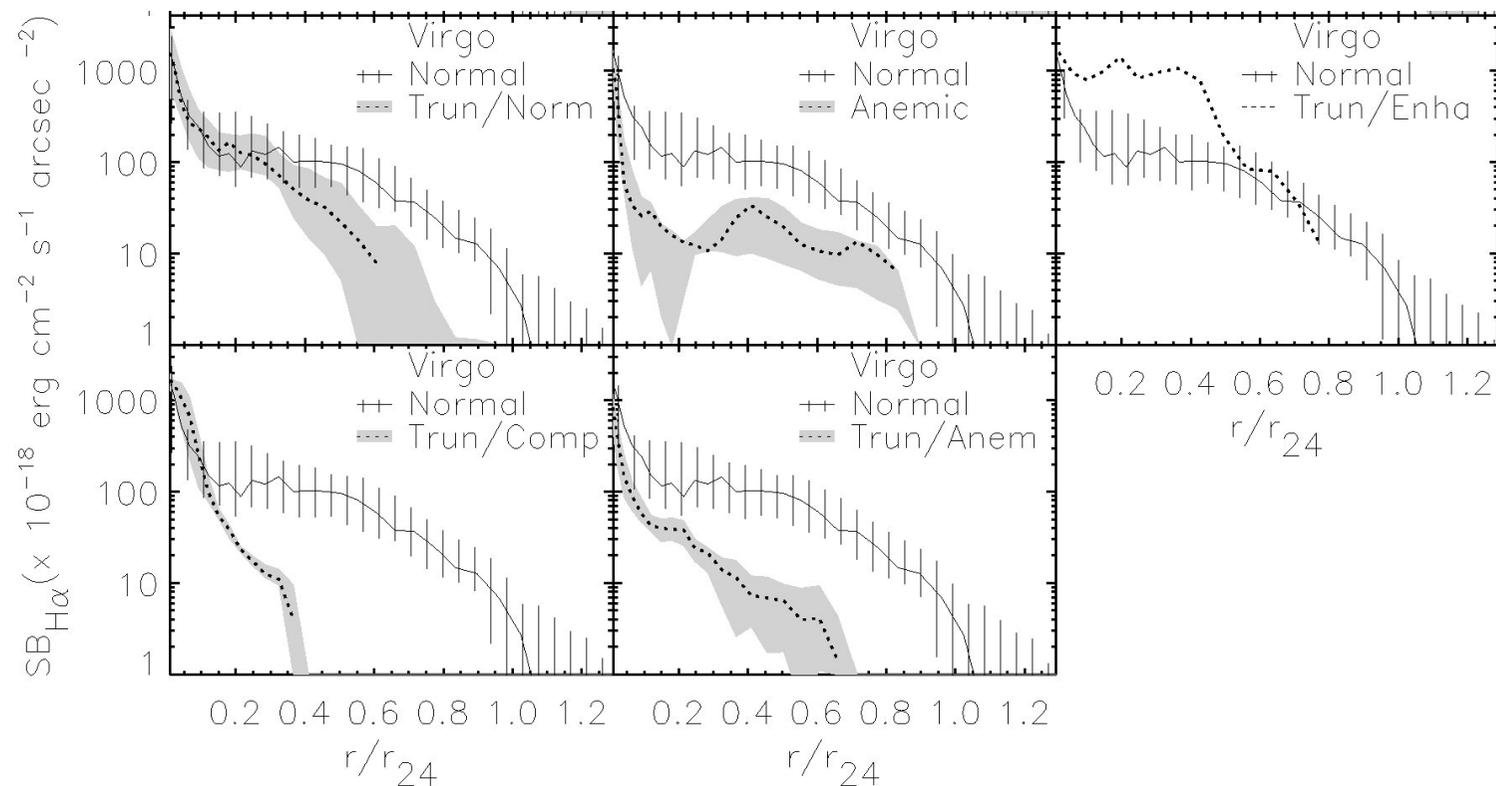
Peng et al. (2010, 2012)
-> **FAST**



Von der Linden et al. (2010), see also Weinmann et al. (2010)

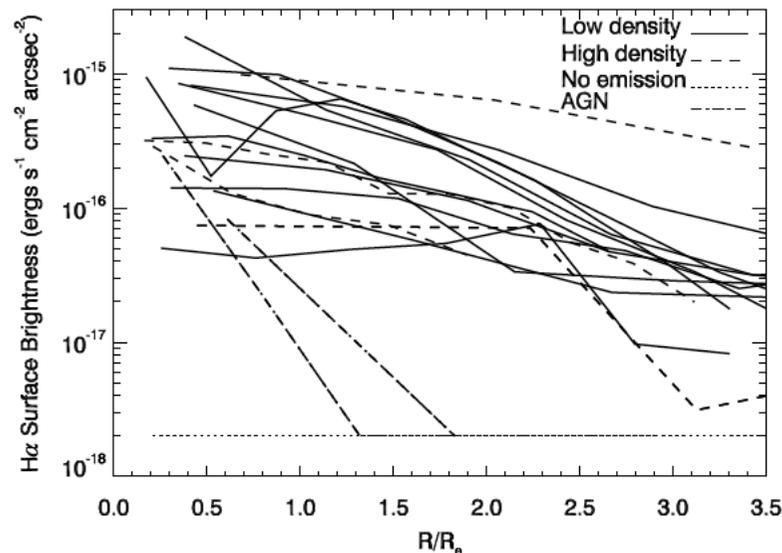
-> **SLOW**

- › But... where is star formation happening?



- › E.g. Koopmann & Kenney (2004): H α imaging in Virgo, ~50% of spirals truncated compared to field.

- › Extend to a wide range of environments with a pilot study using the SPIRAL IFU (Brough et al. 2013):
 - GAMA selected environments.
 - 18 galaxies in narrow range in stellar mass $\sim 10^{10} M_{\odot}$.
 - Mean SFR a factor ~ 2.5 lower in high density environments, but NOT significant - large scatter.



- Repeating with >300 galaxies from SAMI (USyd PhD student Adam Schaefer).

Signatures of physical processes

› Ram pressure stripping:

- Temporary enhancement of SF.
- Shock excitation of gas and one sided extra-planar gas.
- Gas disk and star formation becomes less extended.

› Strangulation (stripping of halo):

- Overall suppression of SF across the disk – less severe.

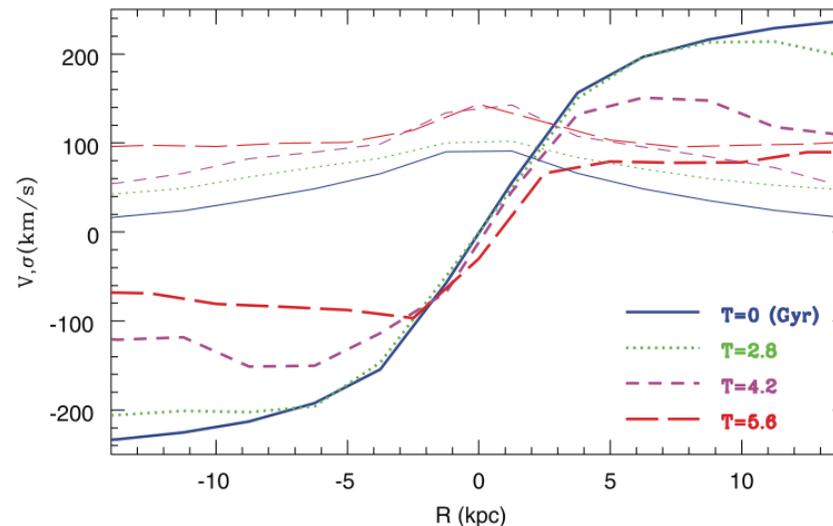
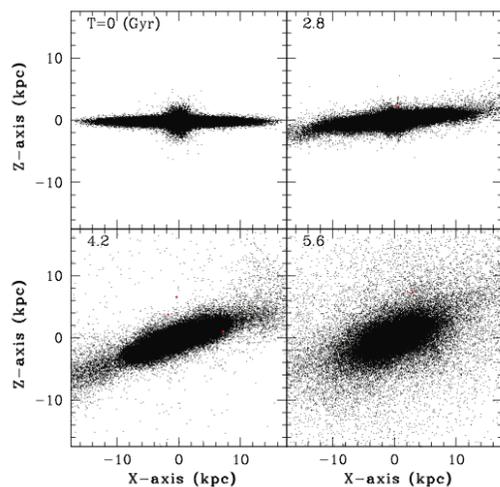
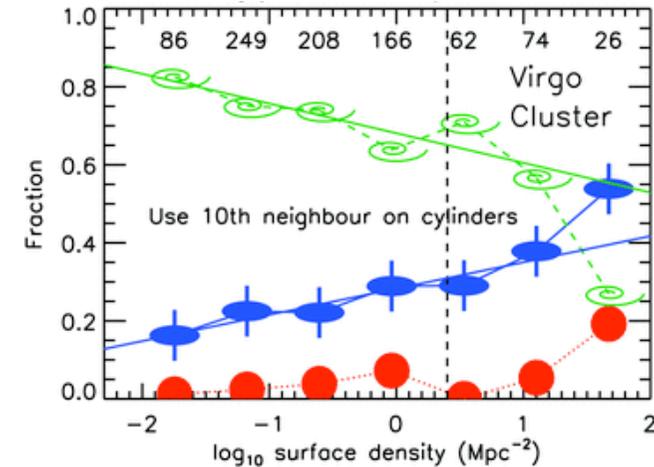
› Dynamical interactions and/or mergers:

- Nuclear star formation.
- Dynamical disturbance.
- Younger central stellar populations.

› But need to continue to simulate these signatures in detail...

› Possibly multiple paths for S0 formation.

- Fading, plausible for some S0s from TF relation (e.g. Bedregal 2006), but not all.
- Environmental dependence (e.g. Dessler 1980; Cappellari et al 2011).
- Galaxy-galaxy tidal interaction in groups a likely contender (Bekki & Couch 2011).



Sydney-AAO Multi-object IFS (SAMI)

- › 1 degree diameter f-o-v.
- › 13 x 61 fibre IFUs using hexabundles (Bryant, Bland-Hawthorn et al.).
- › 15" diameter IFUs, 1.6" diameter fibre cores.
- › Spectral resolution $R \sim 1700$ (blue), $R \sim 4500$ (red).

The Sydney-AAO Multi-object Integral-field spectrograph (SAMI)

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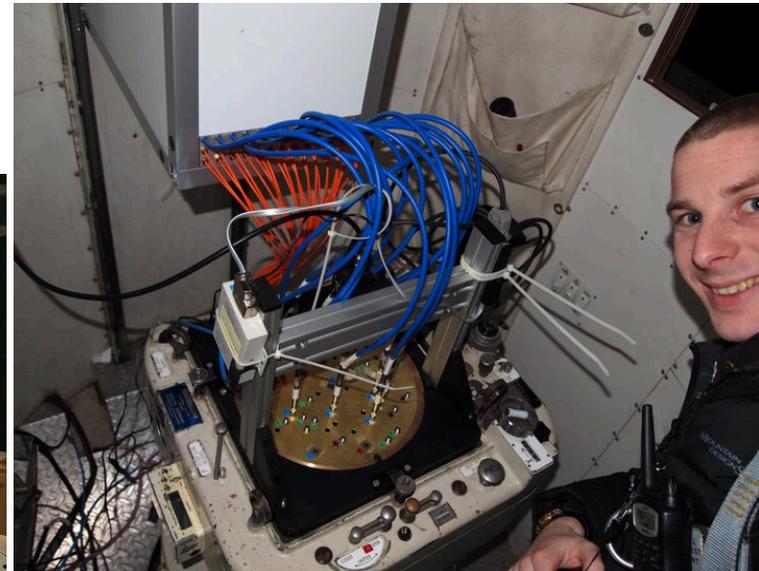
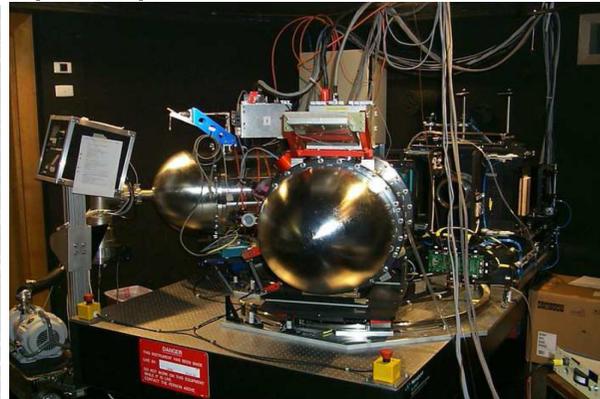
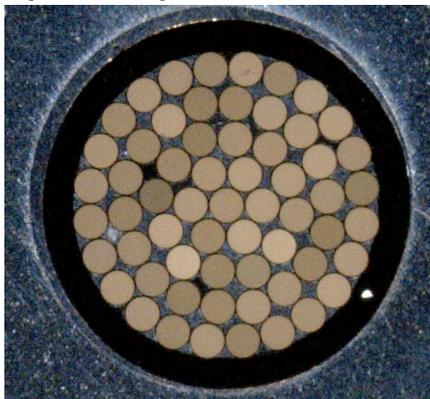
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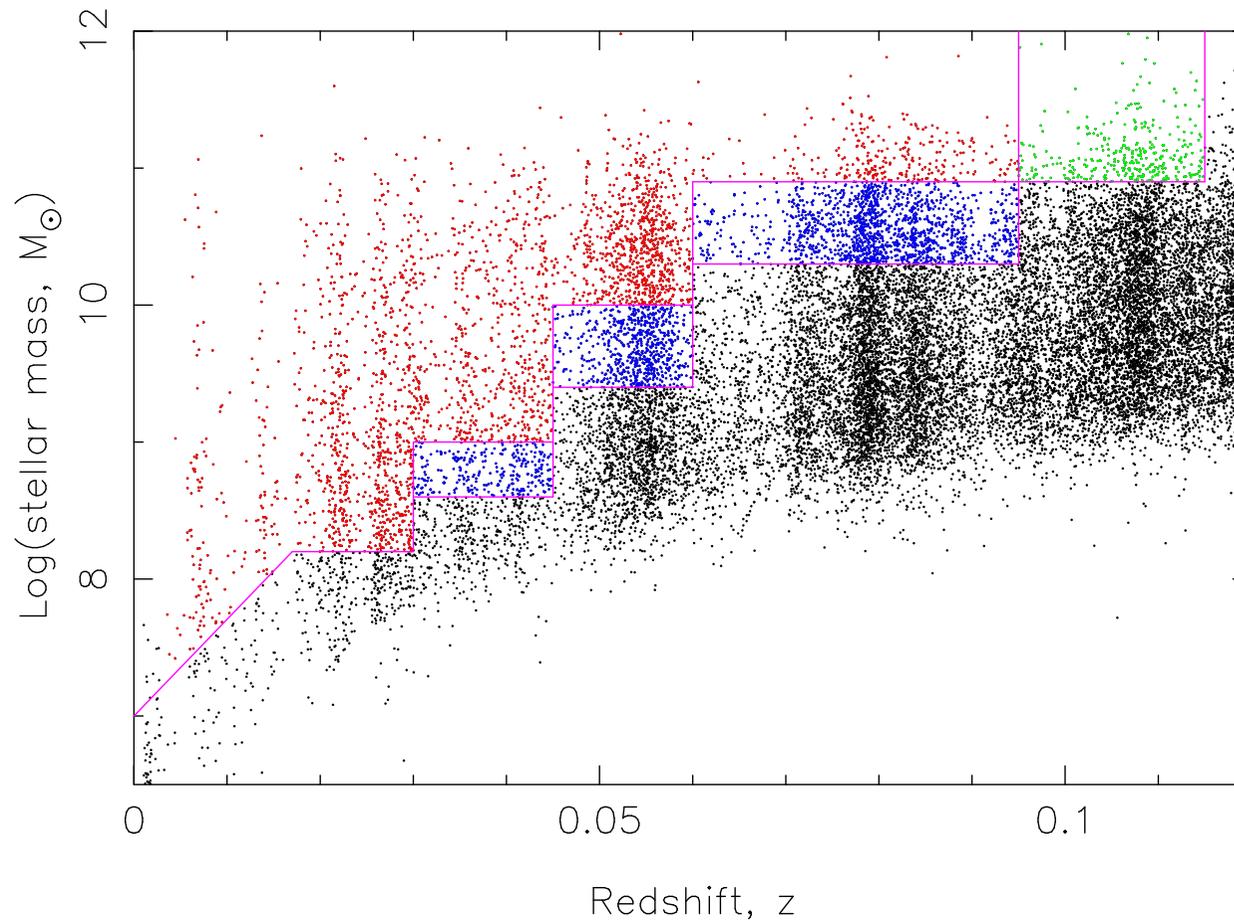


- › Prototype system commissioned in 2011.
- › Upgraded system commissioned Feb 2013 (Julia Bryant, Jon Lawrence, Sam Richards++).

- › The SAMI commissioning team were the first observers on the mountain after the Siding Spring fire.
- › Anglo-Australian Telescope, 13th Jan 2013:

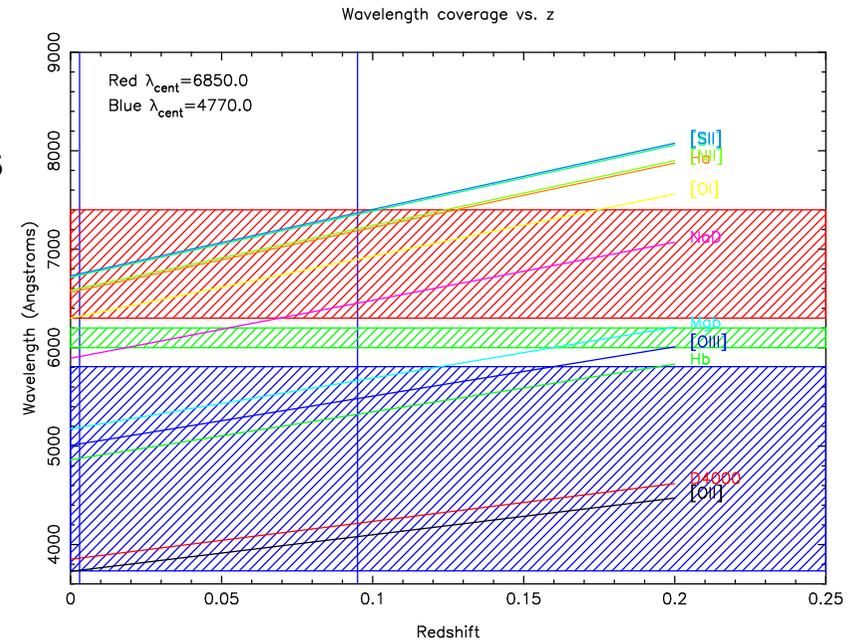


- › Using the upgraded SAMI instrument.
 - › Started in March 2013.
 - › 3400 galaxies in ~200 nights, 4 hours exposure per field.
 - › Primary fields are the Galaxy And Mass Assembly (GAMA; Driver et al. 2010) regions.
 - Three 4x12 deg equatorial regions at 9hr, 12hr and 15hr RA.
 - Deep, complete, spectroscopy to $r=19.8$ to define environment.
 - Robust group catalogue (Robotham et al. 2011).
 - GALEX, SDSS, VST, UKIDSS, VISTA, WISE, Herschel imaging.
 - HI 21cm from ALFALFA (half the area), and in the future ASKAP.
 - › Specific galaxy cluster fields to be targeted in the SGP to probe the highest density environments.
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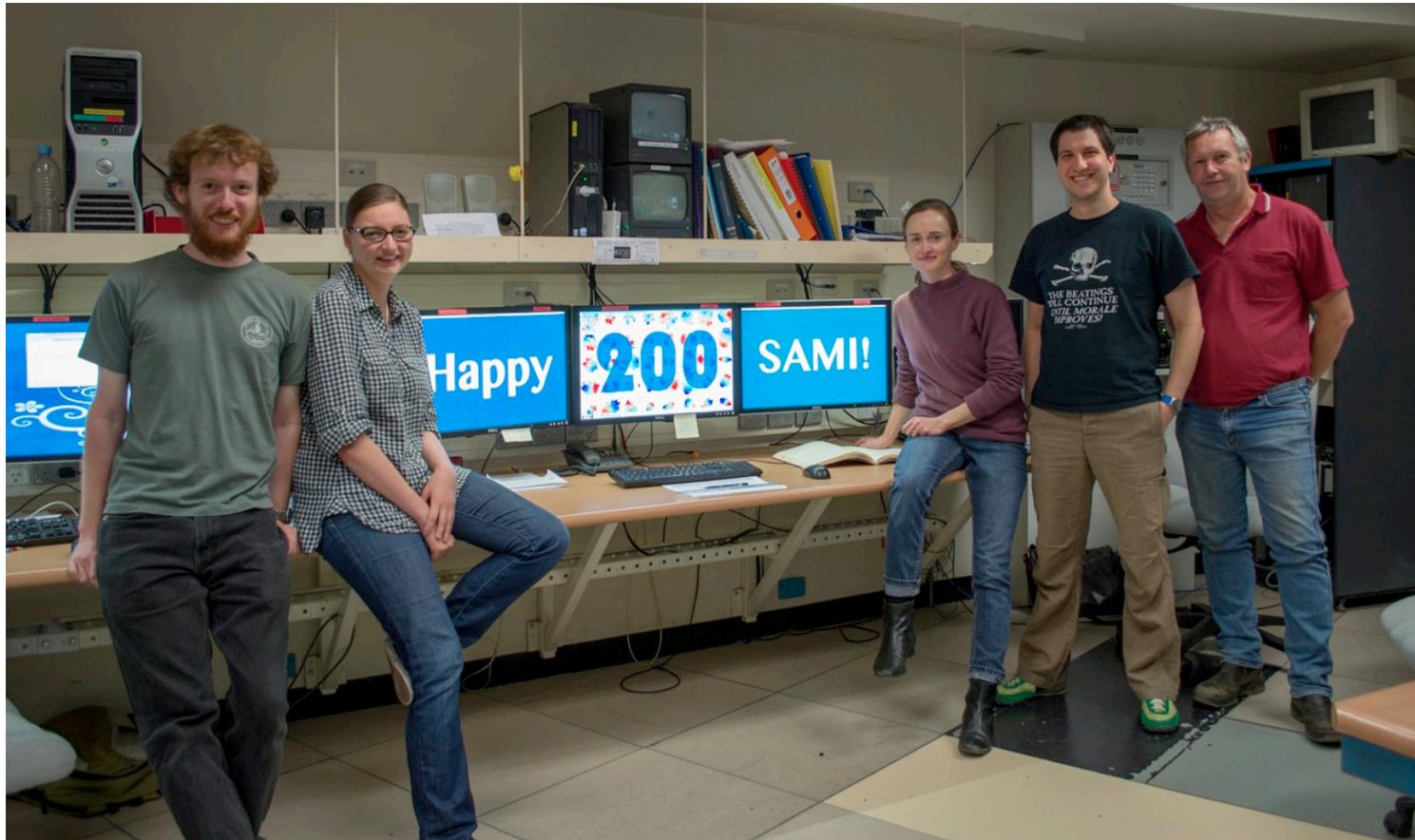


Primary sample, high mass secondary sample,
low mass secondary sample

- › Wavelength coverage/resolution:
 - Blue: 3700-5800A, $R \sim 1750$, $\sigma = 70 \text{ km/s}$
 - Red: 6300-7400A, $R \sim 4500$, $\sigma = 30 \text{ km/s}$
- › Galaxy sizes:
 - median major axis $R_e = 4.4''$
 - 10-90% range 1.8-9.4''
- › S/N:
 - Median at 1 R_e , V-band continuum $S/N = 15$, per spaxel, per A.
 - 10-90% range $S/N = 2 - 37$.
- › Chose to include dwarfs (to $\log(M^*) < 8.2$), although lower S/N.
- › Flux calibration: better than 5% over full spectral range (high fill factor, + calibration star observed with galaxies).



SAMI Galaxy Survey progress

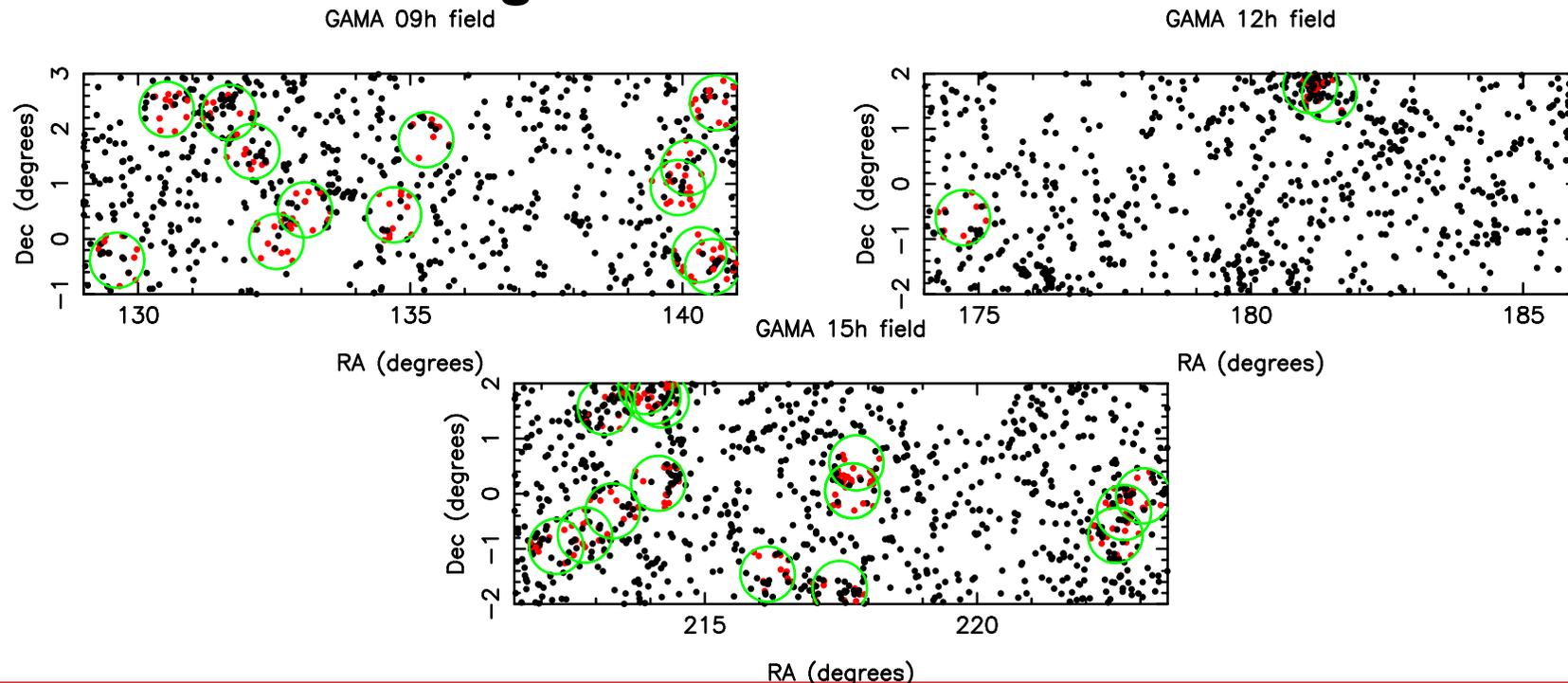


James Allen, Lisa fogarty, Julia Bryant, Iraklis Konstantopoulos, Steve Chapman

252 galaxies in 13 nights – March 2013

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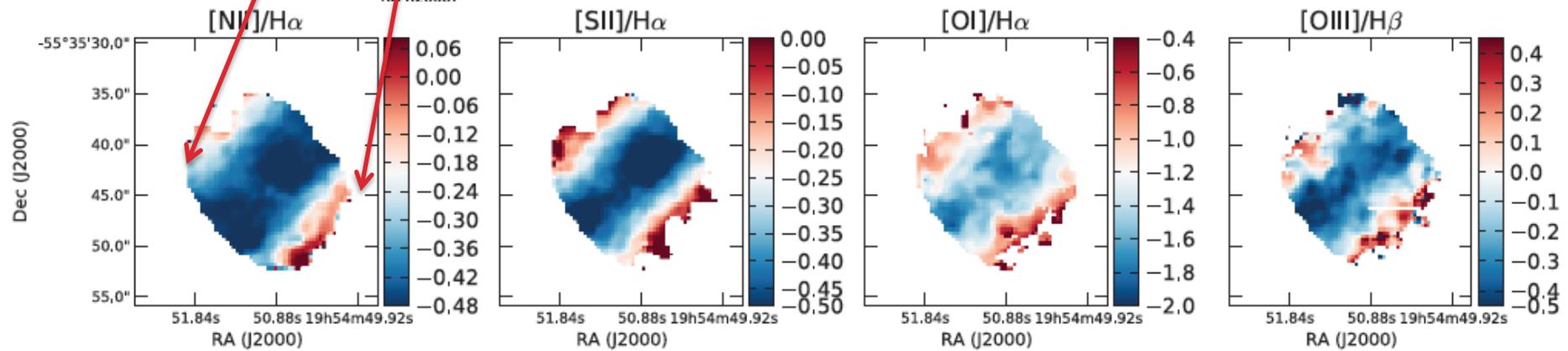
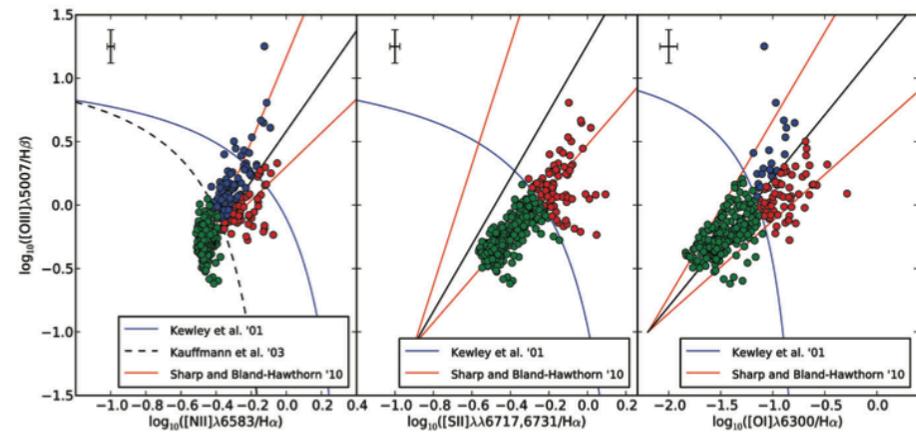
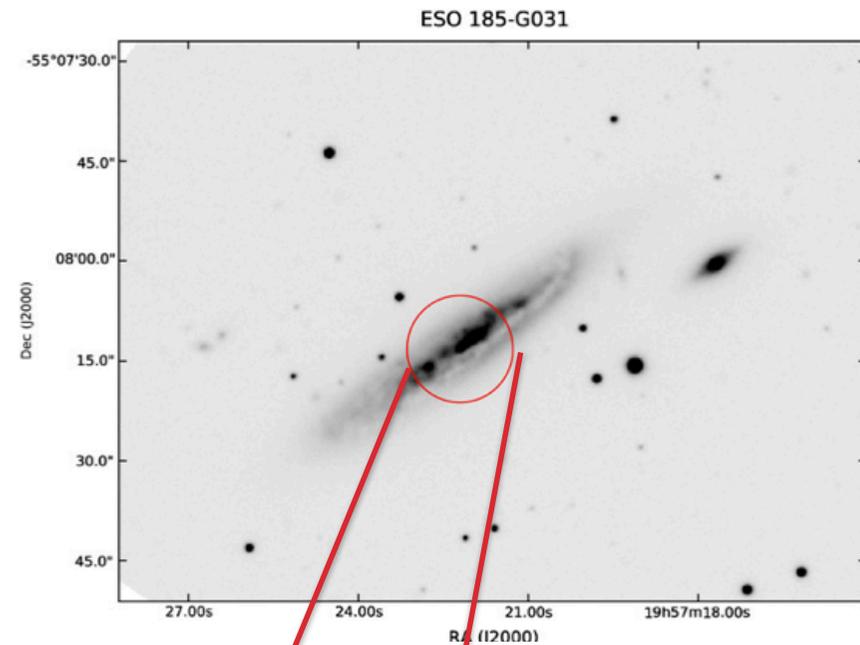
- › 32 fields, 384 galaxies in GAMA regions (March/April 2013).
- › 11 fields, 132 galaxies in Cluster regions (Aug/Sept 2013).
- › + 134 galaxies from pilot observations in 2012.
- › **Total of 650 SAMI galaxies observed.**



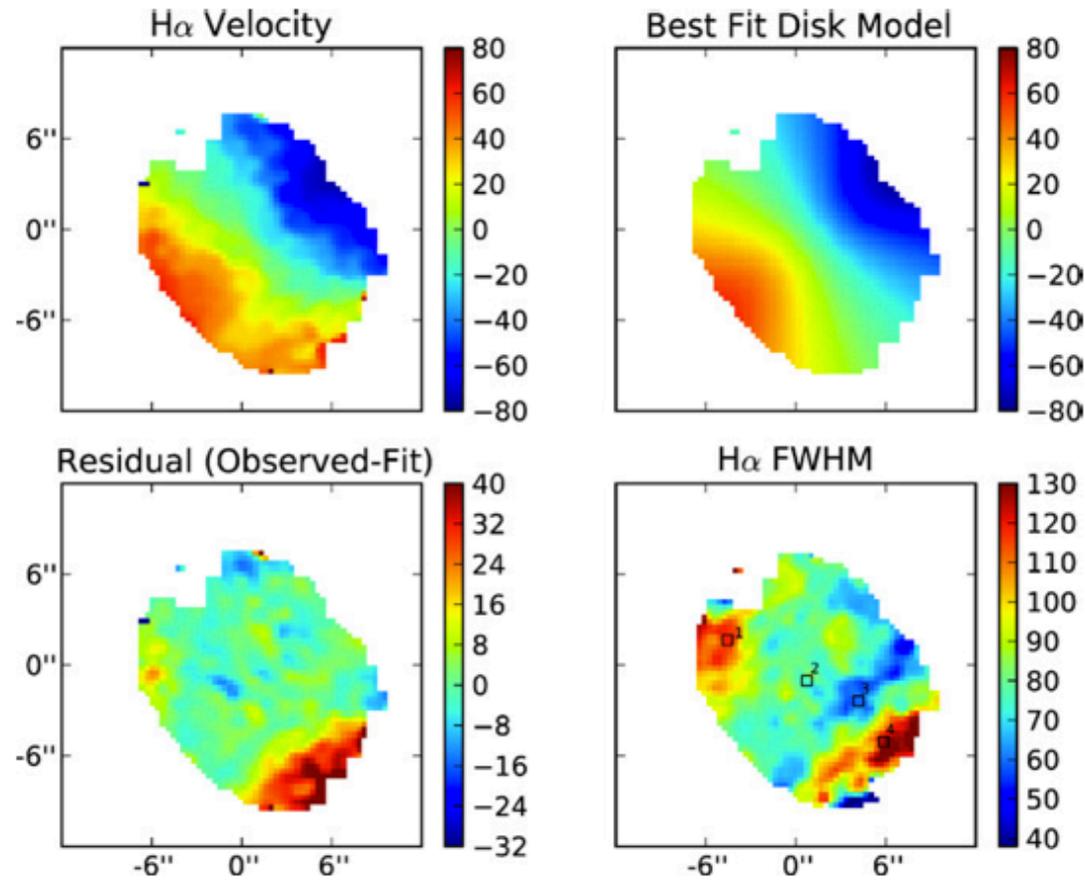
- › Commissioning data from July 2011 (10 6dFGS galaxies)
 - Relatively large and bright galaxies (disks and early types).
 - Serendipitous wind galaxy discovery (Fogarty et al. 2012).

 - › 10 nights on AAT for pilot observations in Sept/Oct 2012, just completed:
 - Targeting galaxy clusters at $z \sim 0.05$.
 - Studying the environmental dependence of fast and slow rotators.
 - First look at spatially resolved star formation vs. environment.
 - Sample of 134 galaxies (including a few targets from commissioning in May 2012).
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Lisa Fogarty et al. (2012)



First science: serendipitous wind discovery

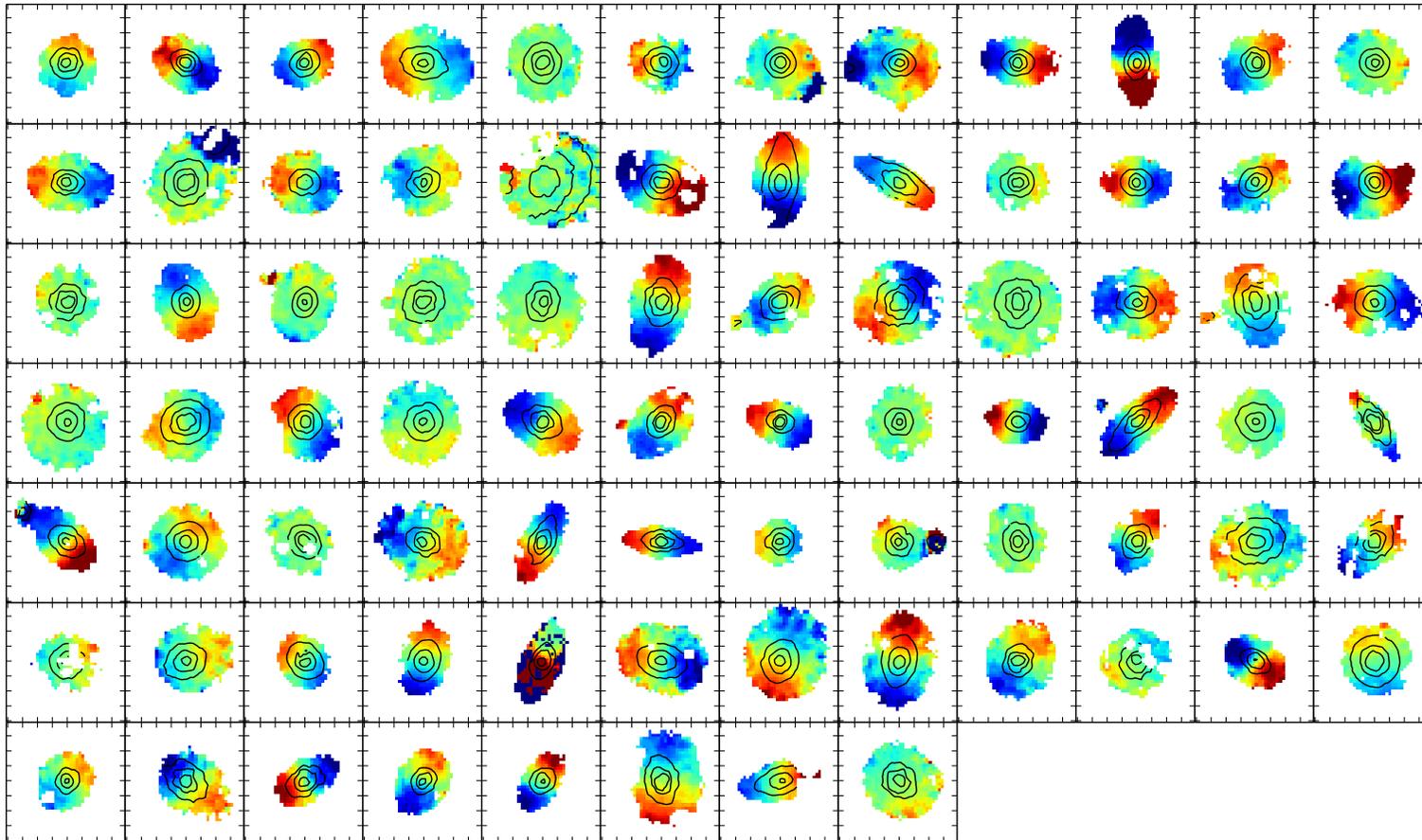


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Q: how rare are low-z outflows?

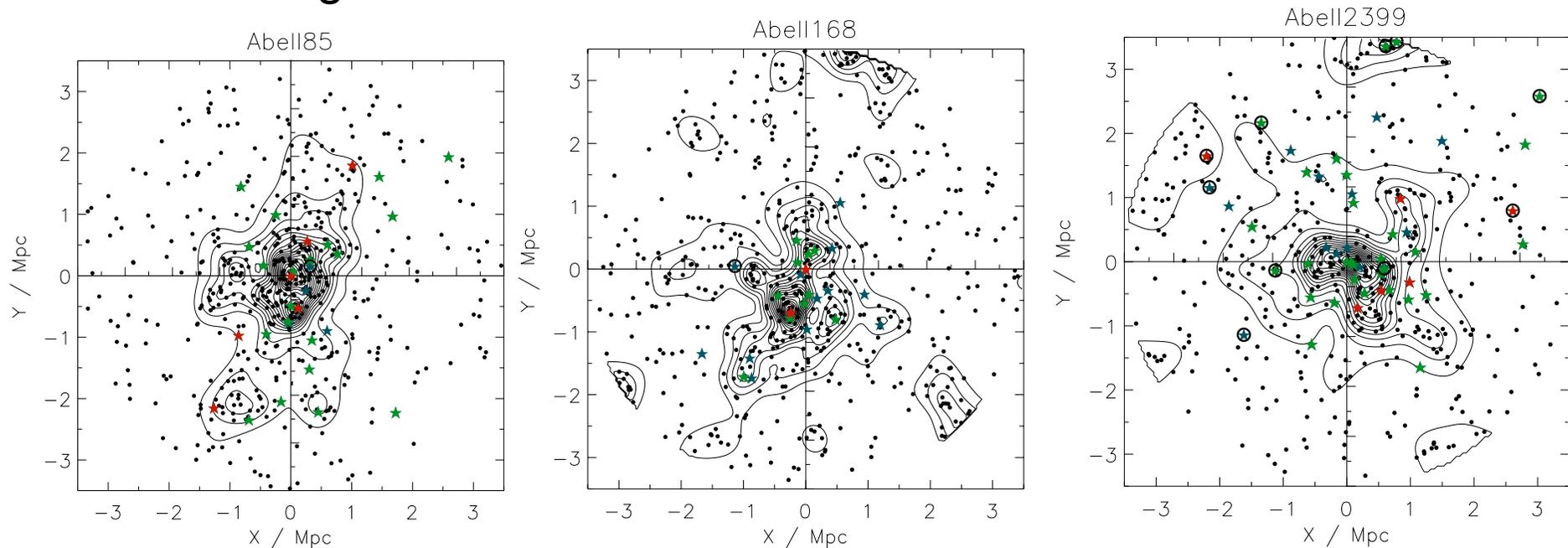
First science: fast/slow rotators in clusters

- › 134 galaxies in Abell85, Abell168, Abell2399, with 80 ~~early types~~ (*non-spirals*) (Lisa Fogarty, Nic Scott, Matt Owers et al.):

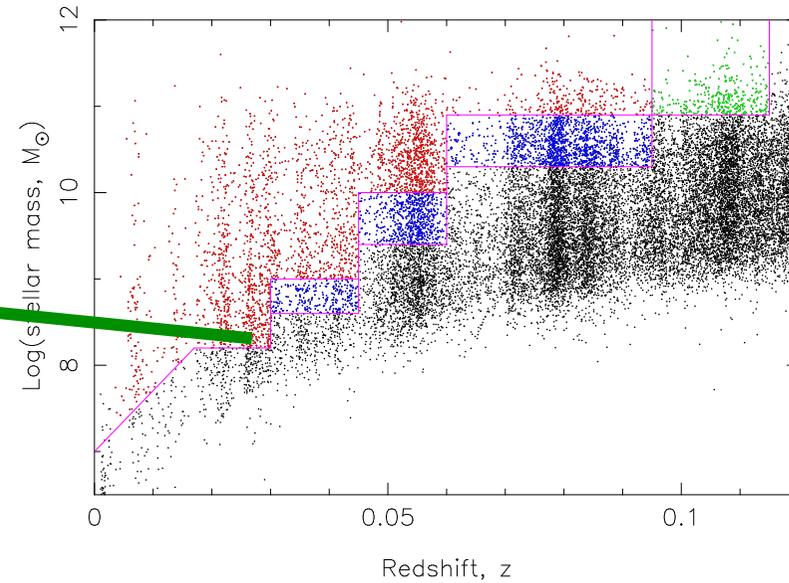
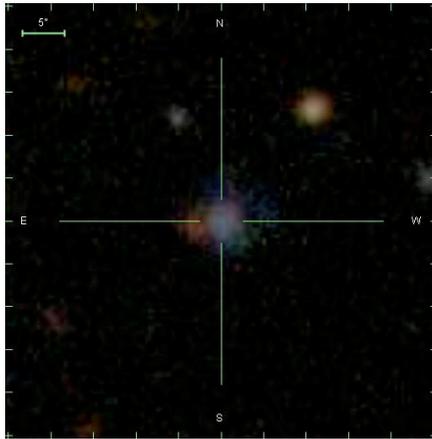


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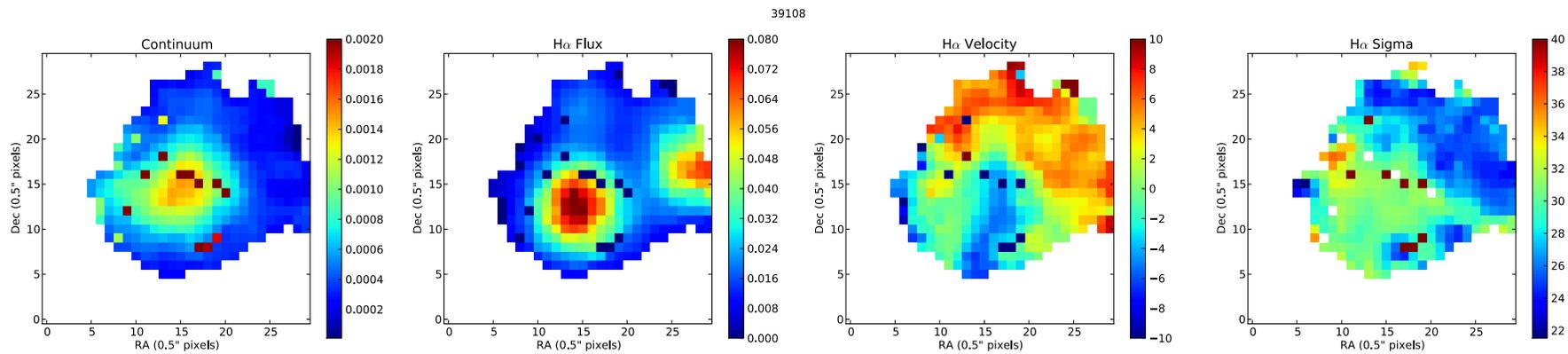
- › Slow rotators not just in the centres of clusters. Also associated with infalling substructure.



- › Are SRs fundamentally linked to centrals or galaxy mass or something else?
 - › SAMI will look at groups as well, (GAMA; Robotham et al. 2011)
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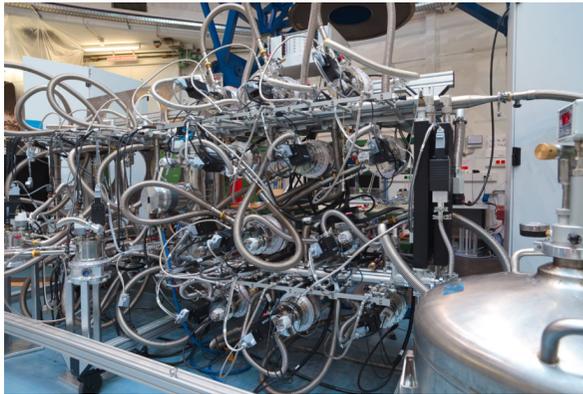


$z=0.029$, $\log(M^*)=8.35$, $R_e=2.7''$

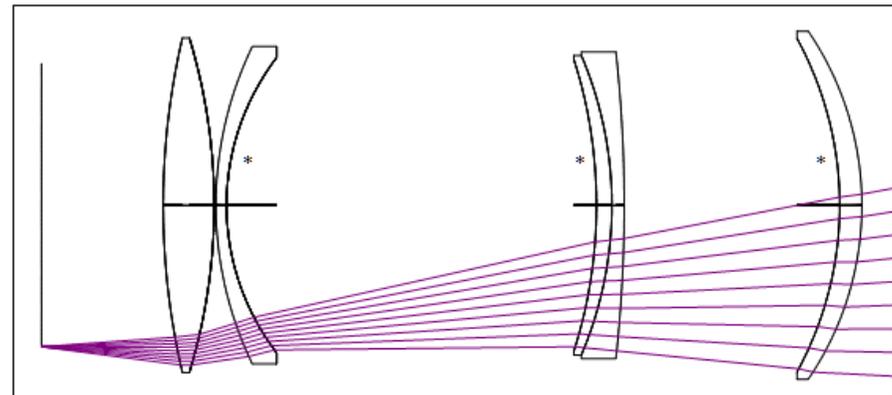


Probe dynamical disturbance over full range of mass (PhD student Jess Bloom).

- › Concept for a next generation AAT instrument with:
 - 50-100 IFUs.
 - 2-3 deg diameter field-of-view (new wide field corrector for the AAT?).
 - Resolution $R \sim 4000$ over the entire optical window using fixed format replicated spectrographs.
- › Potential to carry out a survey of $\sim 100,000$ spatially resolved galaxies.

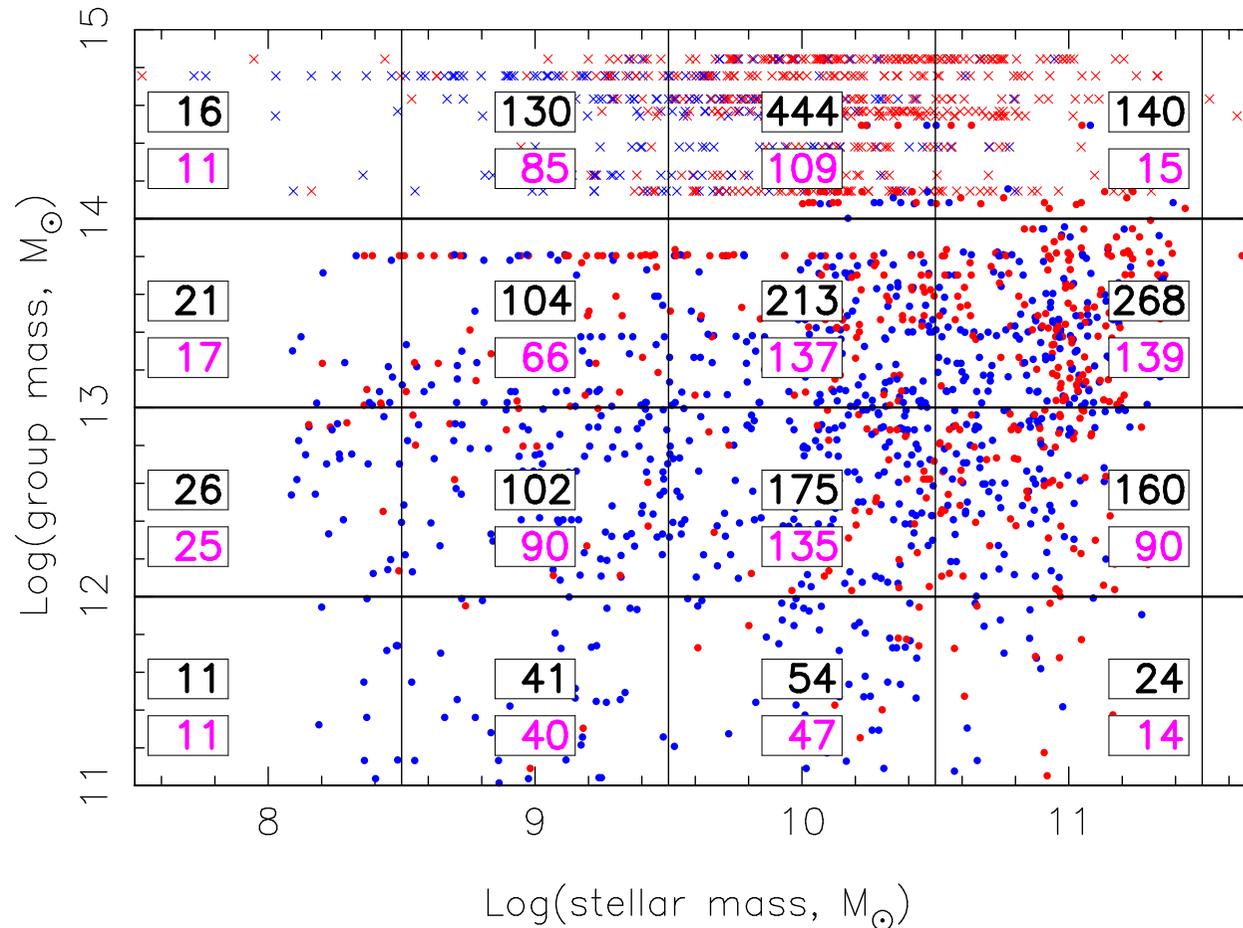


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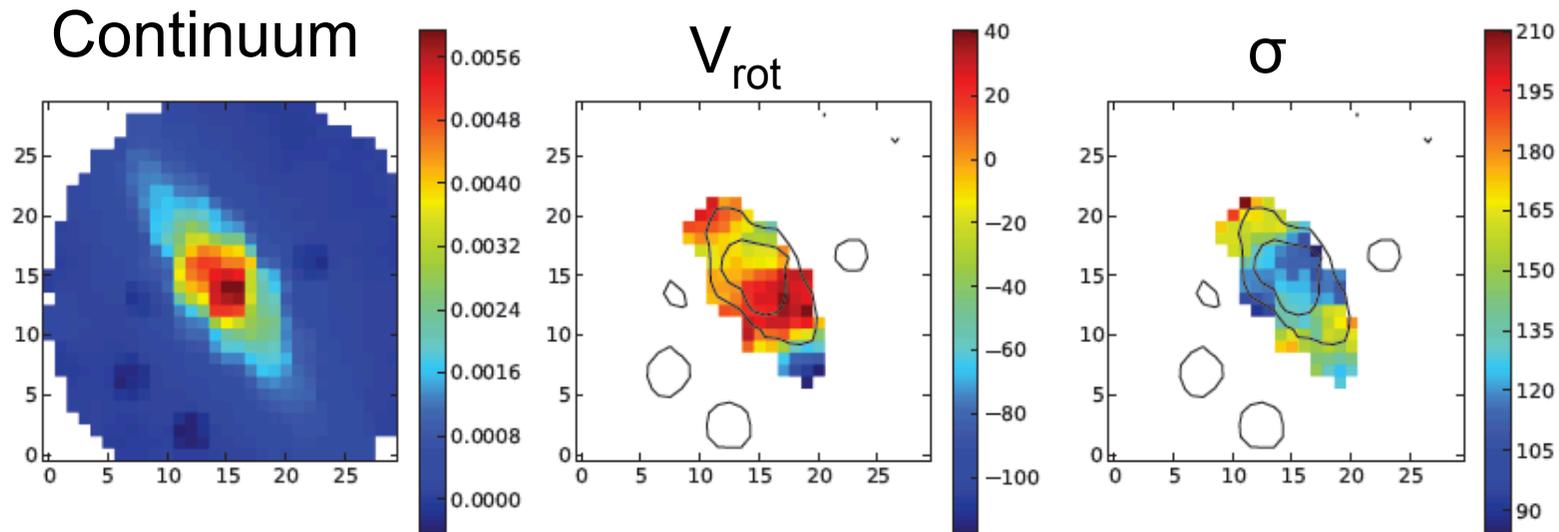
Design for 3-degree field of view AAT corrector

- › Multi-object IFU surveys will provide the next revolution in galaxy evolution studies – **the natural next step.**
 - › This is already happening with SAMI: 600+ galaxies observed to date.
 - › Early days, but SAMI already generating first science: wind galaxies, SR/FR vs. environment... much more very soon!
 - › ***VISION:*** Single fibre galaxy evolution surveys a thing of the past! We can re-define how we observe galaxies in the local Universe and our understanding of galaxy evolution.
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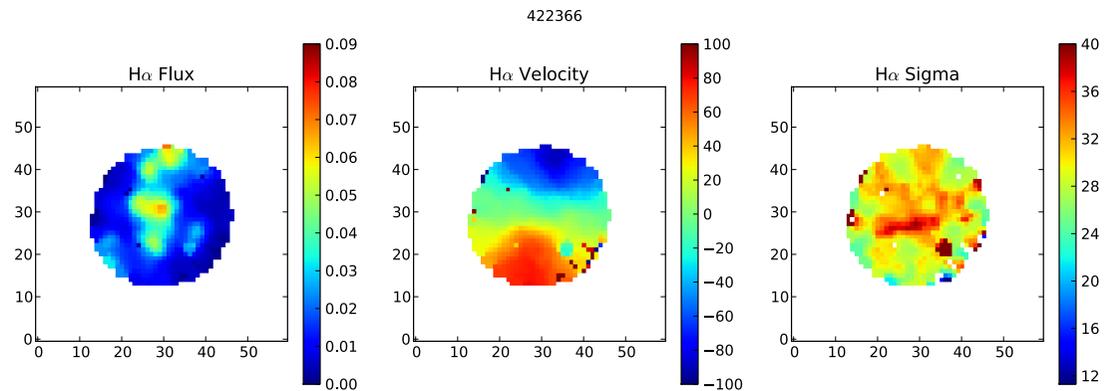
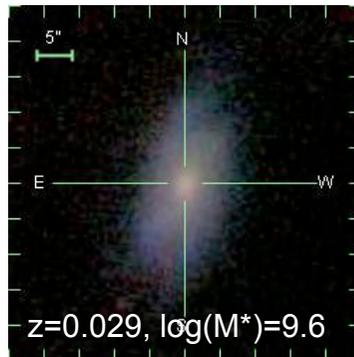
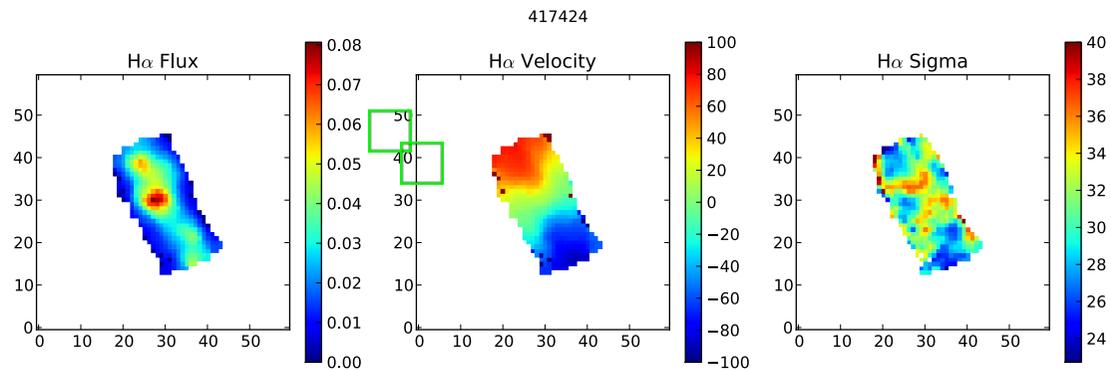
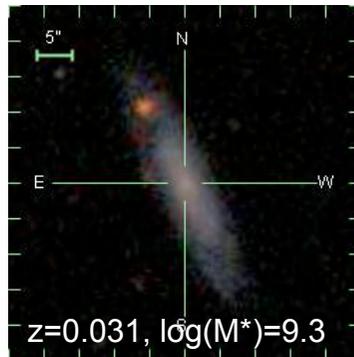
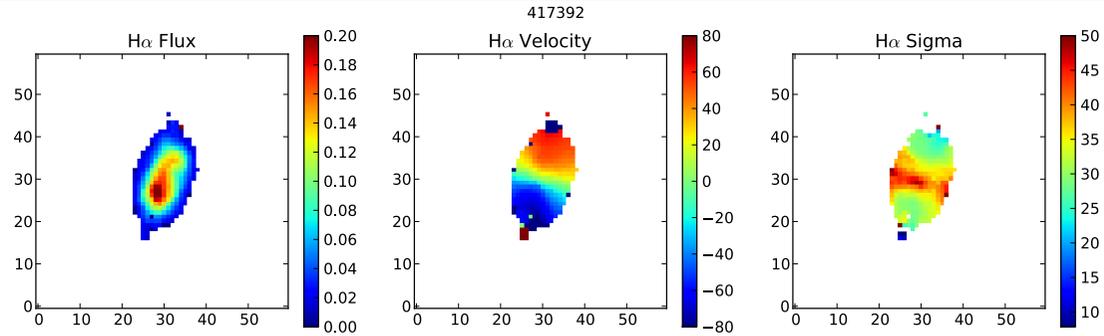
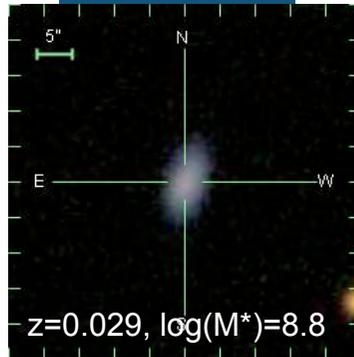


Group masses from GAMA (Robotham et al., 2011).
Emission line and **passive galaxies** from GAMA/SDSS.

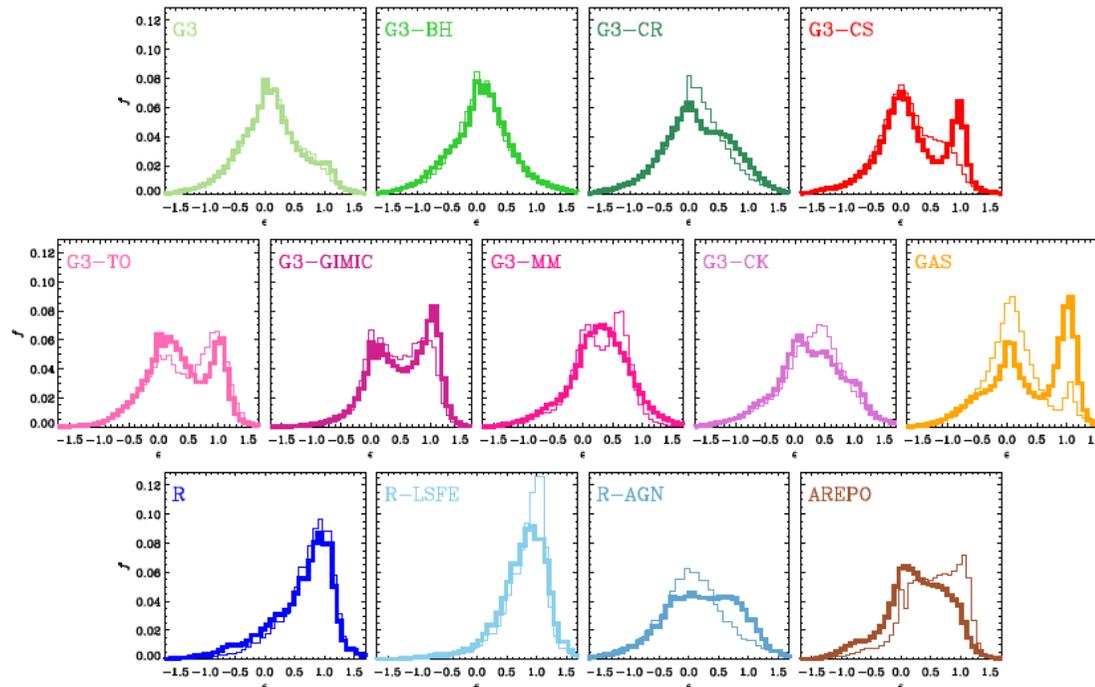
- › Rare objects, counter-rotating disks:



- › Will eventually know how common these are as a function of environment, mass etc.
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- › Still gross disagreement between different gas physics implementations (Aquila project; Scannapieco et al. 2012) – mostly due to feedback and sub-grid physics.



Same initial conditions.

Distribution of $\epsilon = j_z / j_c$.

$\epsilon \sim 1$ is due to a rotationally supported disk

Figure 3. Distribution of stellar circularities, $\epsilon = j_z / j_c$, for the different models. The circularity parameter is the z-component of the specific angular momentum of a star particle, j_z , expressed in units of the circular orbit value, j_c , at that radius. Stars with $\epsilon \approx 1$ typically belong to a rotationally-supported disk component. Thick and thin lines correspond to level-5 and level-6 resolution runs, respectively.

- › Fibres IFUs without lenslet arrays that have high fill factor and can be handled similarly to single fibre (MOS) systems.
- › Over short distances (few cm), cladding only needs to be 2λ , not the assumed 10λ (Bland-Hawthorn et al. 2009, 2011).
- › Better FRD properties for bundles that are not fully fused (Bryant et al., 2011). SAMI bundles have 75% fill factor.

