

The growth of stellar mass



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Cosmic star-formation history

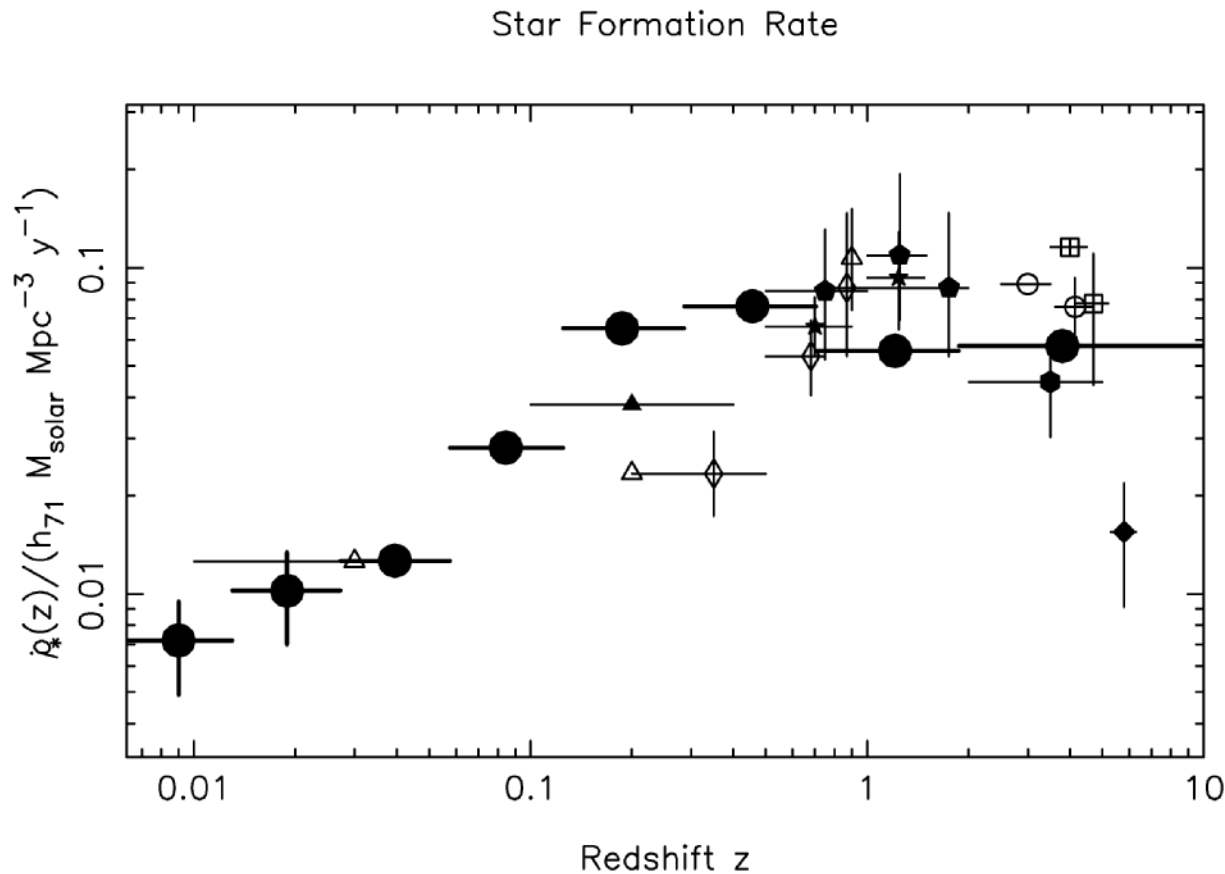


can be measured in several different/complementary ways

Delineating cosmic star-formation history

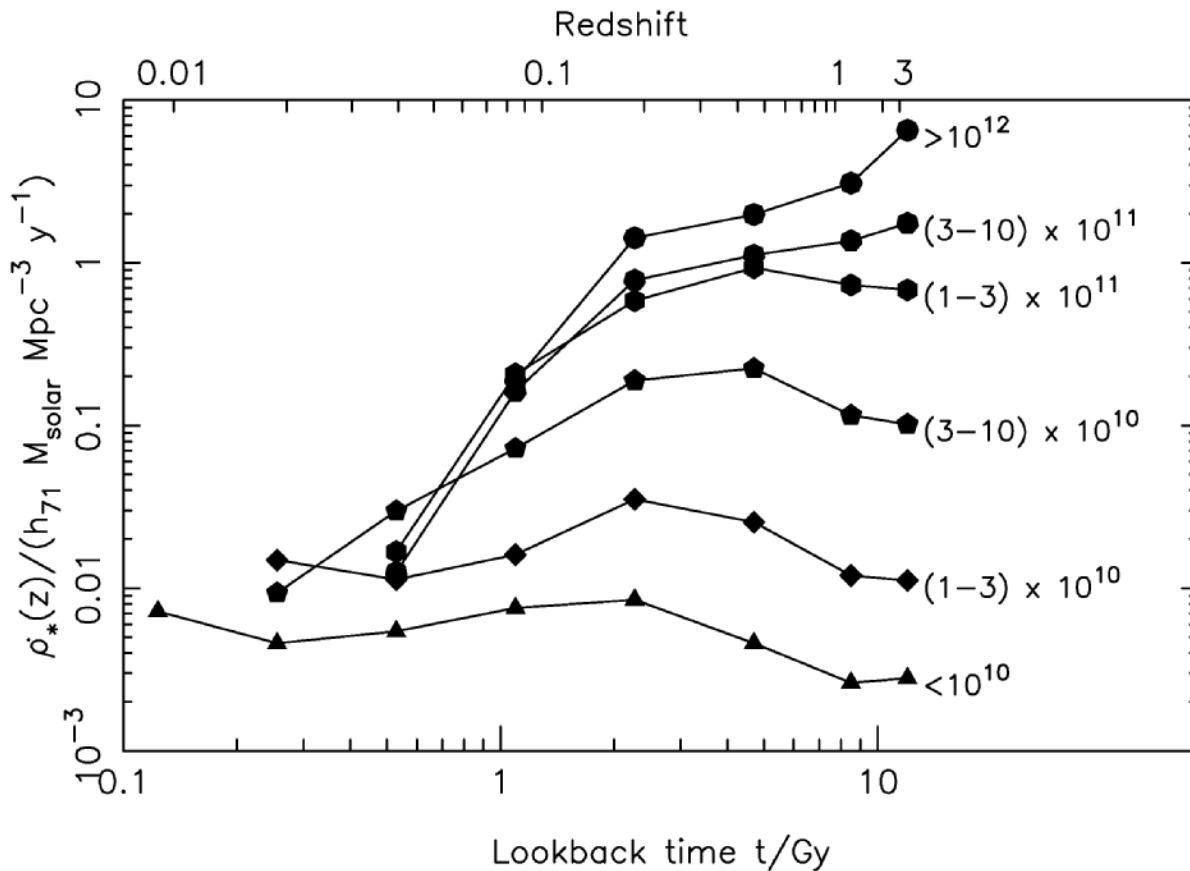


1) direct observation of star-formation activity with z



Delineating cosmic star-formation history

2) from the fossil record (e.g. Heavens et al. 2004)





Delineating cosmic star-formation history

3) by measuring stellar mass in place as a function of z

Needs

- deep near-mid infrared surveys

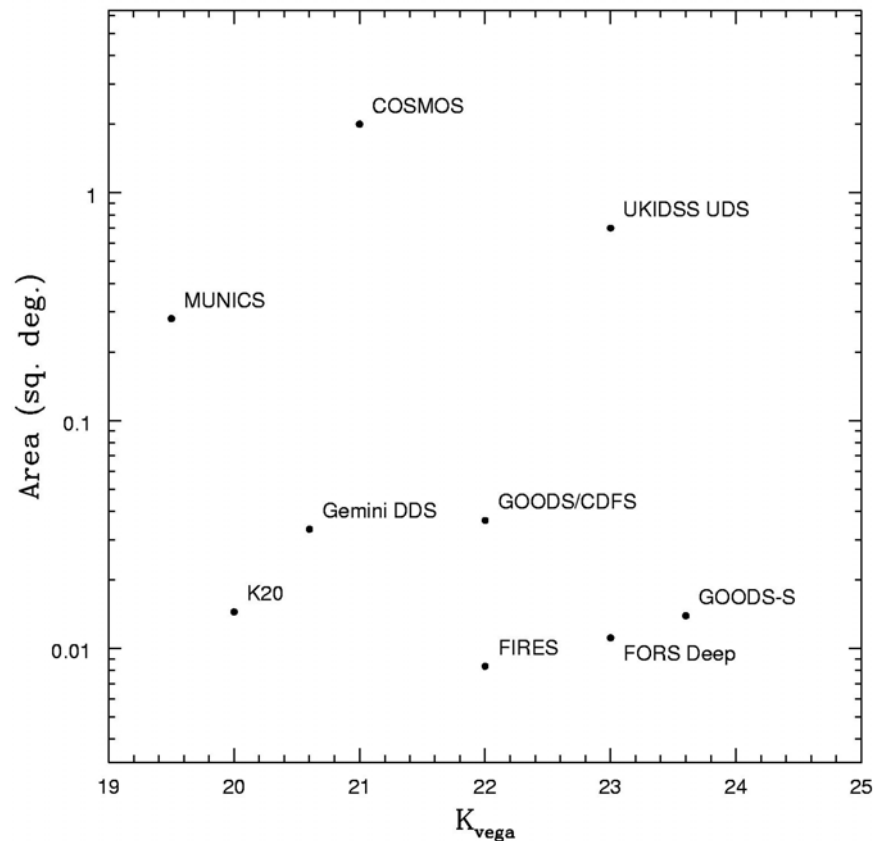
with

- multi-frequency supporting data

Deep IR surveys

Obtaining redshift information for IR-selected galaxy samples is now a major industry

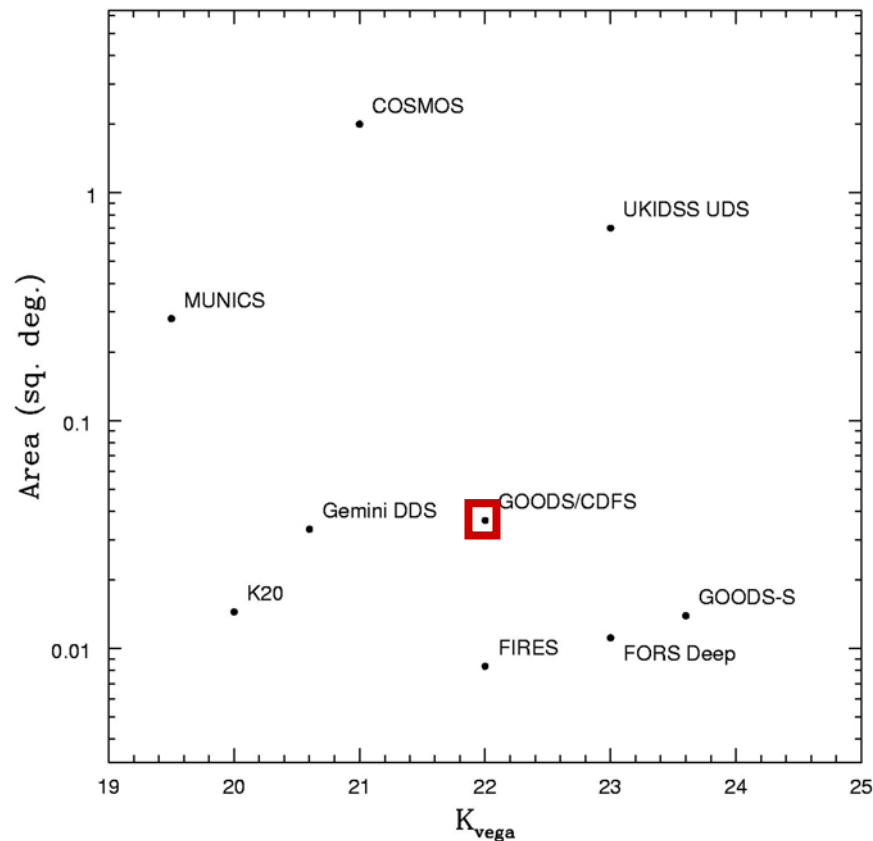
eg K20, FIRES, MUNICS, GDDS, K21, GMASS...



Edinburgh effort focussed on GOODS/CDFS



- 1) catalogues and clustering of EROs (*Roche et al. 2002, 2003*)
- 2) photometric redshifts, masses etc. (*Caputi et al. 2004, 2005*)
- 3) GMOS spectroscopy of EROs (*Roche et al. 2006*)



New results from Caputi et al. 2006



2905 galaxies with $K < 21.5$ from ISAAC VLT imaging of 131 arcmin²

686 with spectroscopic redshifts

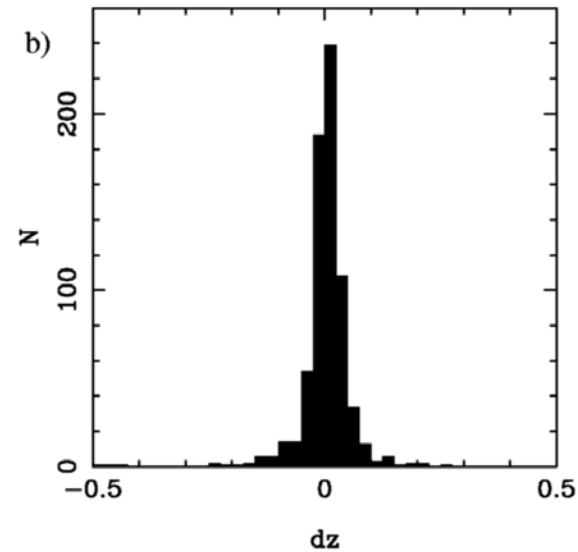
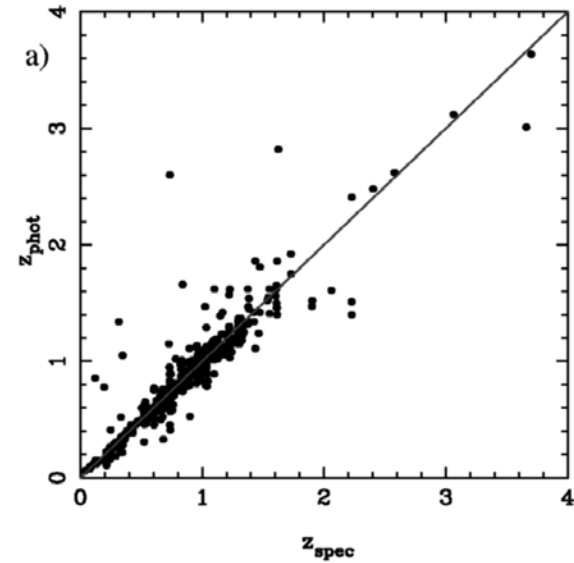
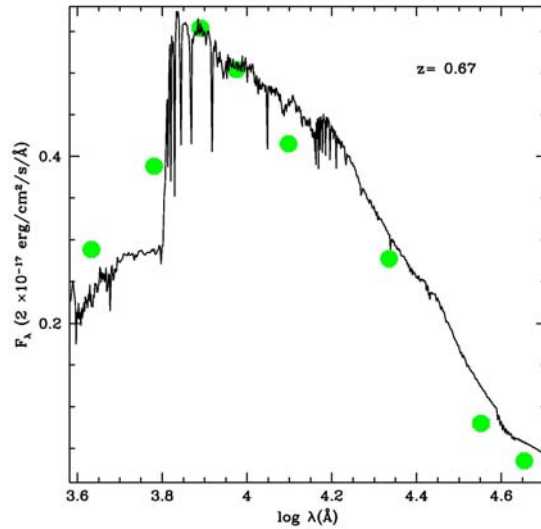
629 with COMBO 17 redshifts

1590 requiring broad-band photometric redshifts

8 waveband photometry available	HST ACS	B, V, I, z
	VLT ISAAC	J, K
	Spitzer IRAC	3.6, 4.5 microns

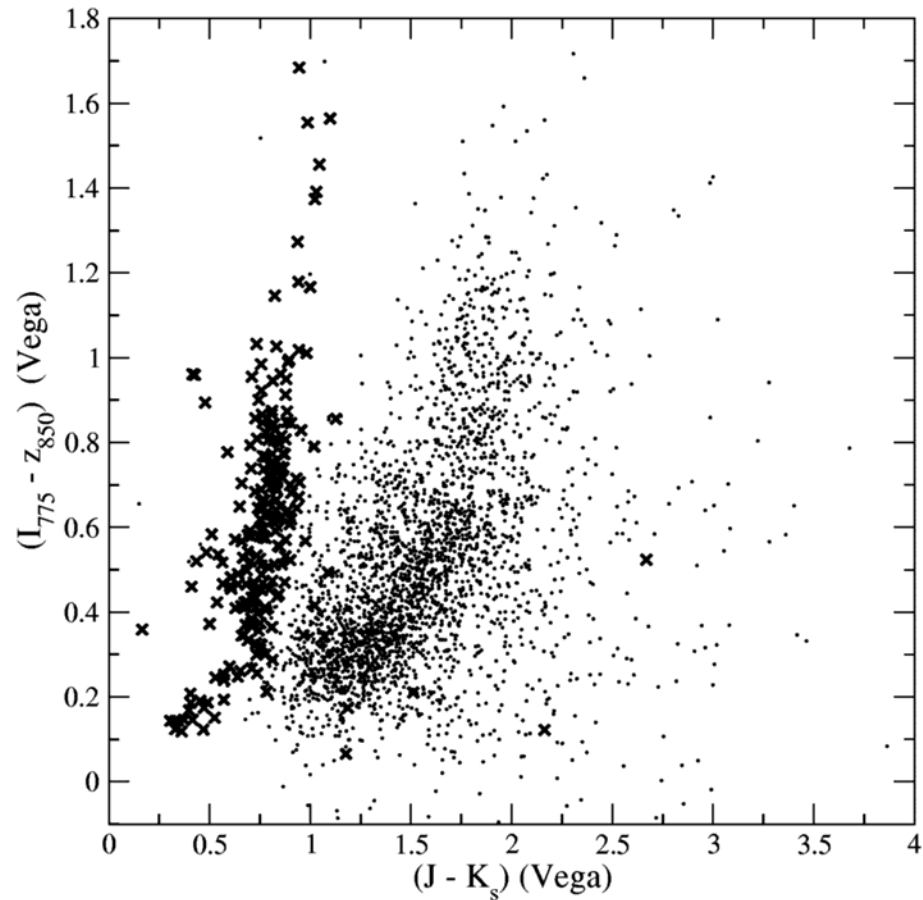
Estimating redshifts

want masses as well as z – need to fit models

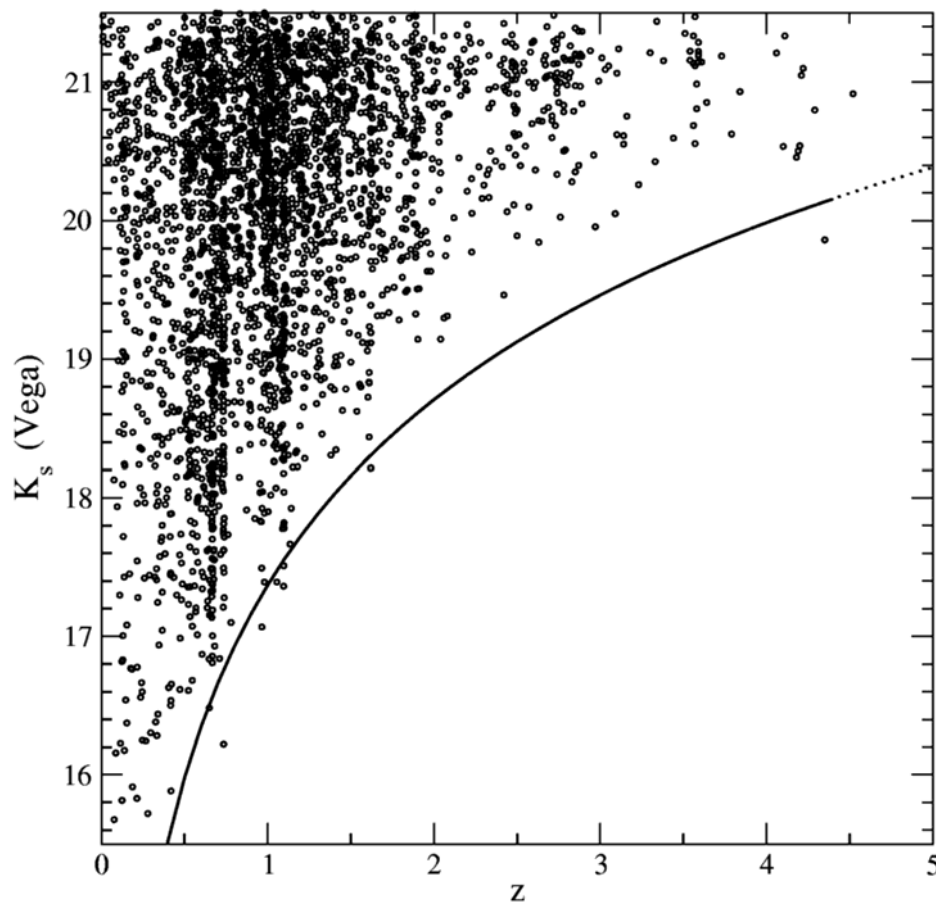


Star/Galaxy separation

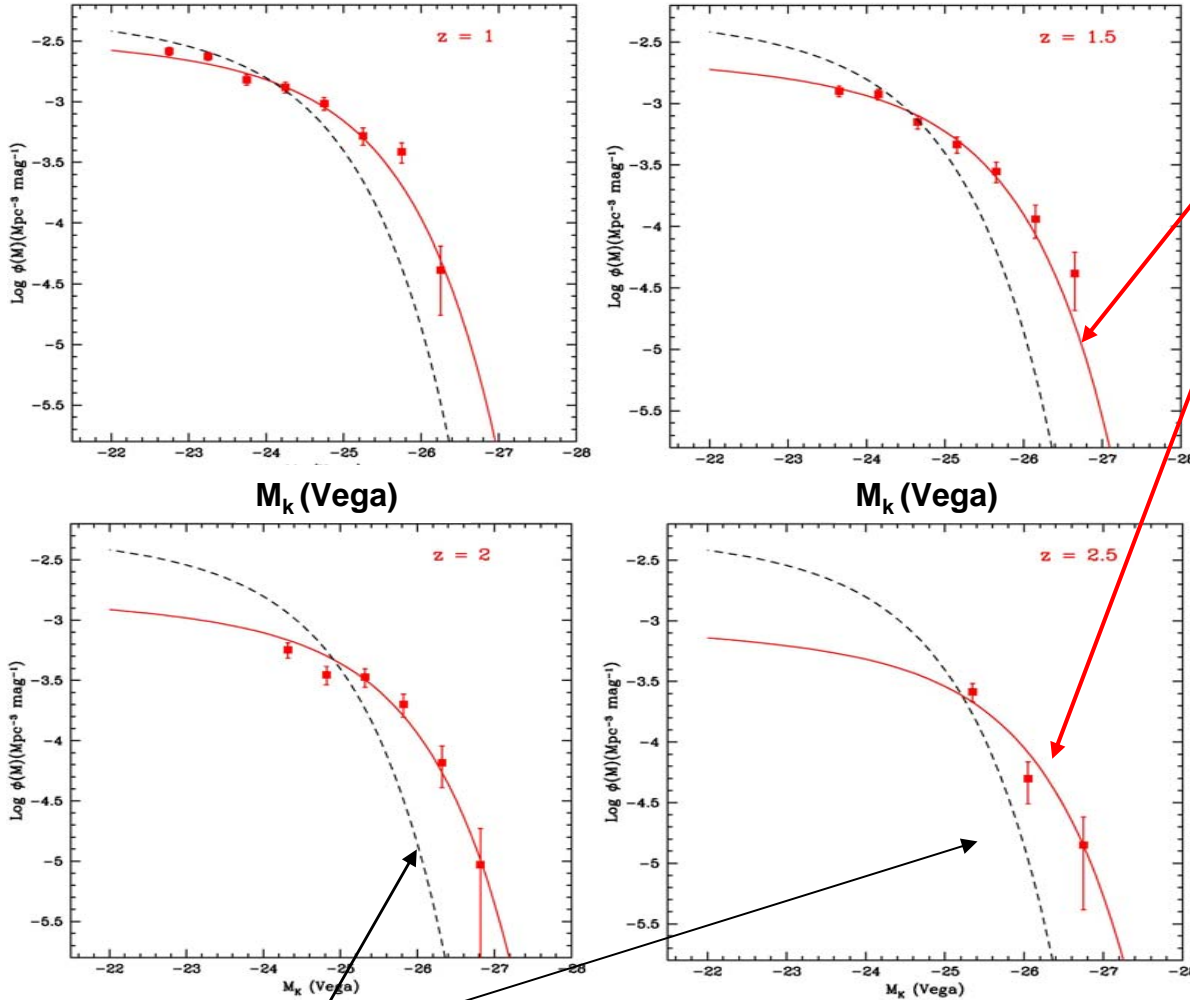
Crosses = stellarity > 0.8 from HST ACS z-band



K - z diagram



K-band Luminosity Function



Schechter function
with

Luminosity evolution

$$M^*(z) = M^*(0) - \left(\frac{z}{z_M} \right)^{k_M}$$

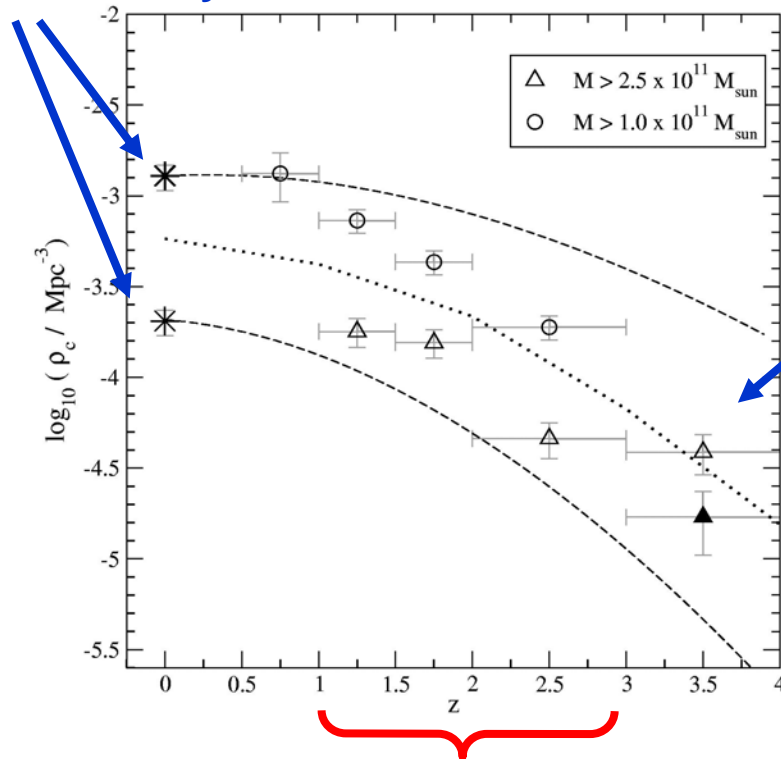
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Density evolution

$$\phi_0(z) = \phi_0(0) \times \exp \left[- \left(\frac{z}{z_\phi} \right)^{k_\phi} \right]$$

Space density

Local space density

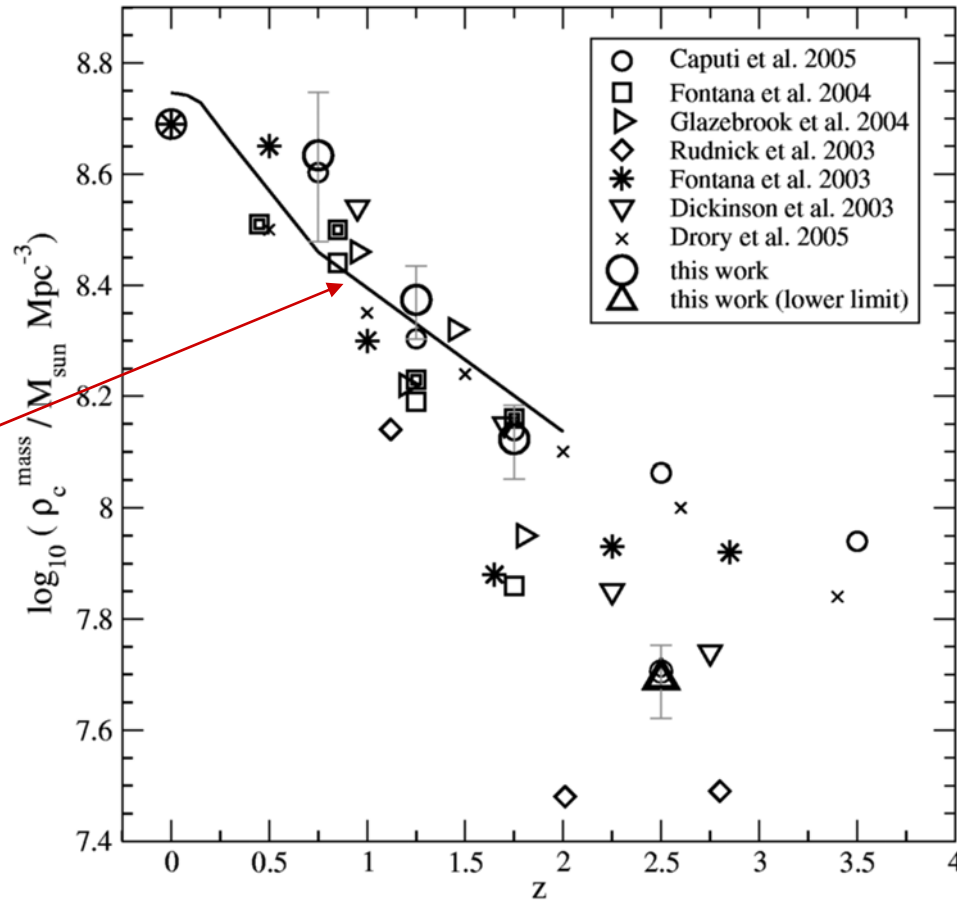


15 – 20 % of local massive galaxies in place before $z=3$

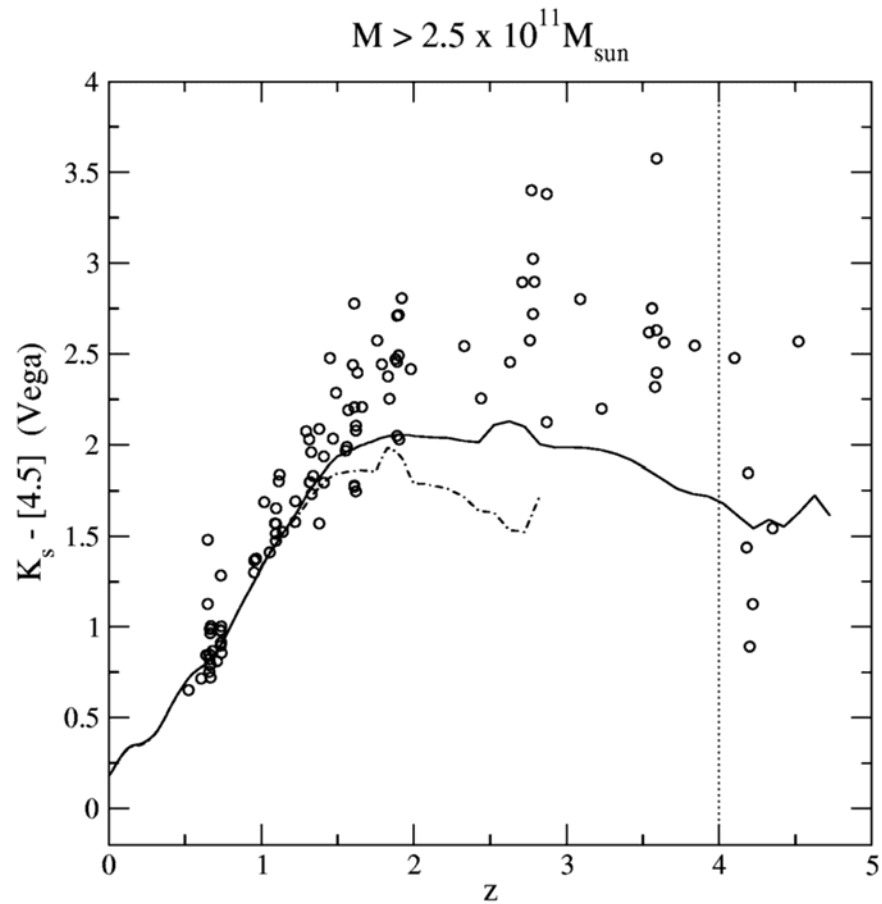
The assembling of 90% of massive galaxies occurs in the range $1 < z < 3$

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Inferred from Heavens et al. 2004



Very massive galaxies form early





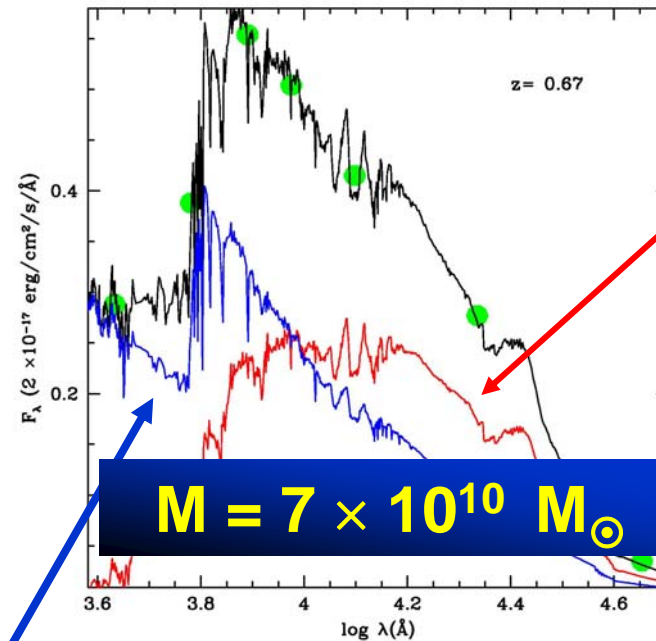
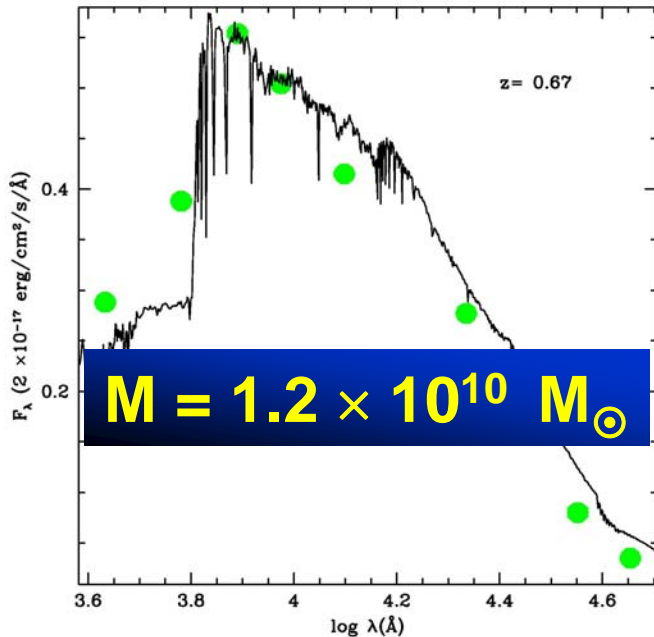
Coming soon.....

- Improved redshifts and mass estimates (Cirasuolo et al. 2006)
- Morphologies as function of z , mass, age (McLure et al. 2006)
- Comparison with semi-analytic models (Dunlop et al. 2006)

Refining mass estimation

Implementing a code for photometric redshift/mass estimation with a **2-components SED fit**

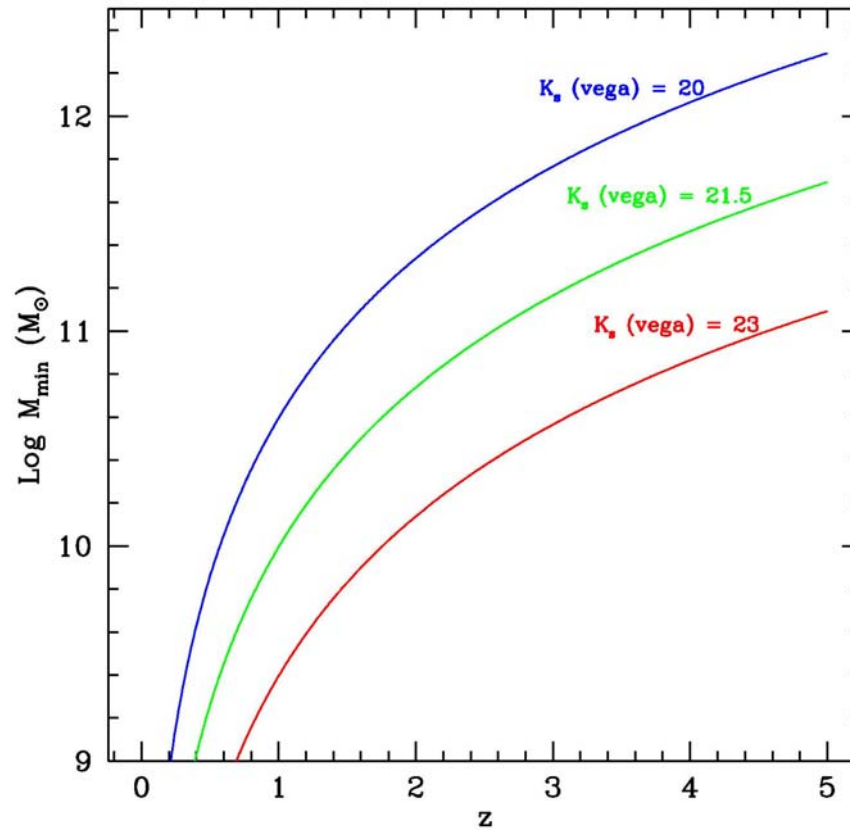
Age = 0.1 Gyr $A_v = 1.6$



Age = 7 Gyr

Age = 1 Gyr with ~ 10% of the mass

The power of deeper/bigger surveys



UKIDSS UDS



UKIRT Infra-red Deep Sky Survey

Ultra Deep Survey (UDS)

$$K_{\text{vega}} = 23$$

Area 0.7 sq. deg.

