

Deep Surveys with ALMA

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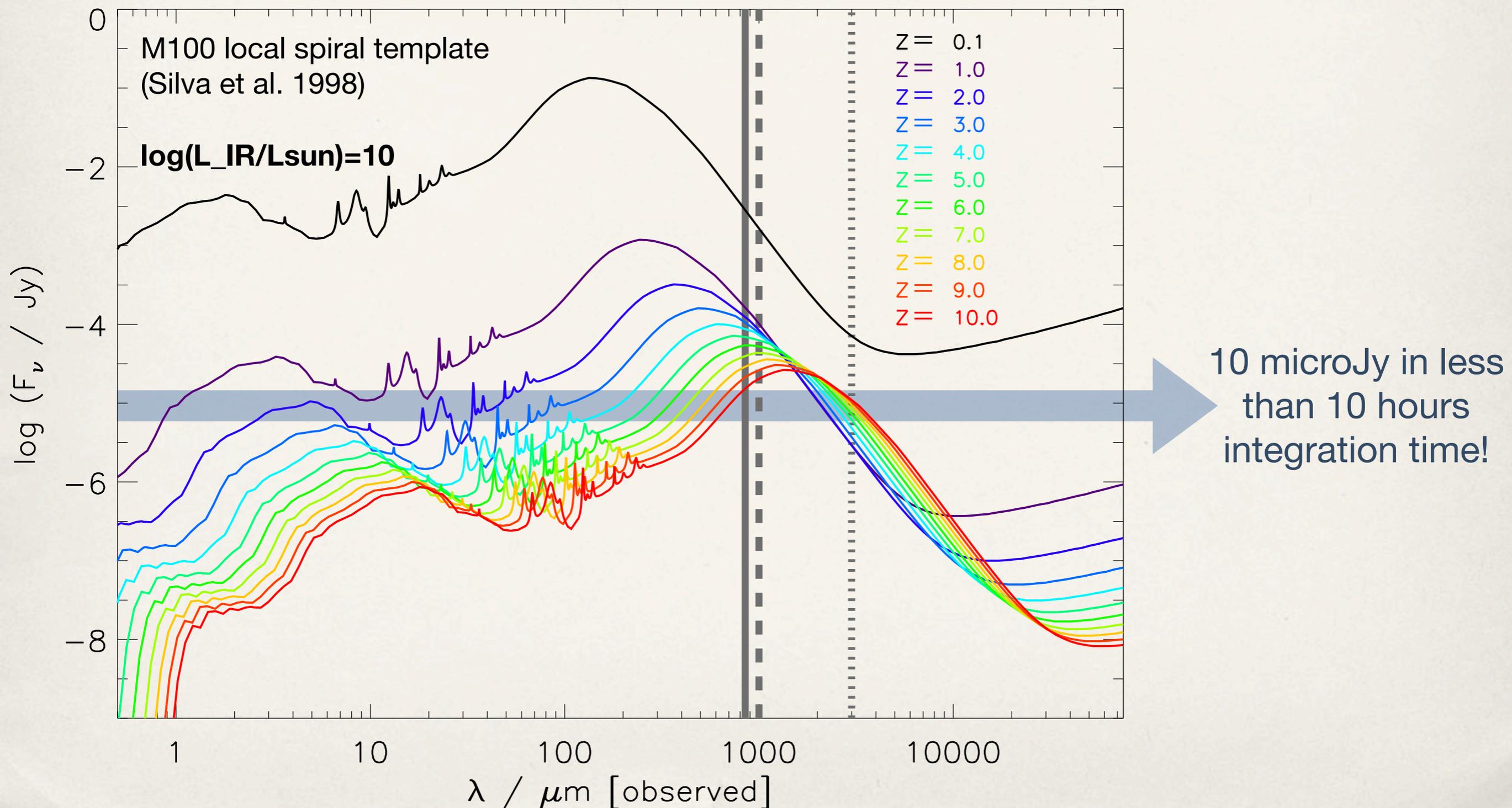


Multi-wavelength Views Of The ISM In High-redshift Galaxies - Santiago, Chile - June 27 - 30, 2011



ALMA: The future is now

- ALMA will detect 'normal' galaxies out to high redshift



Hubble Ultra Deep Field

HST ■ ACS



NASA, ESA, S. Beckwith (STScI) and The HUDF Team

STScI-PRC04-07a

The Data



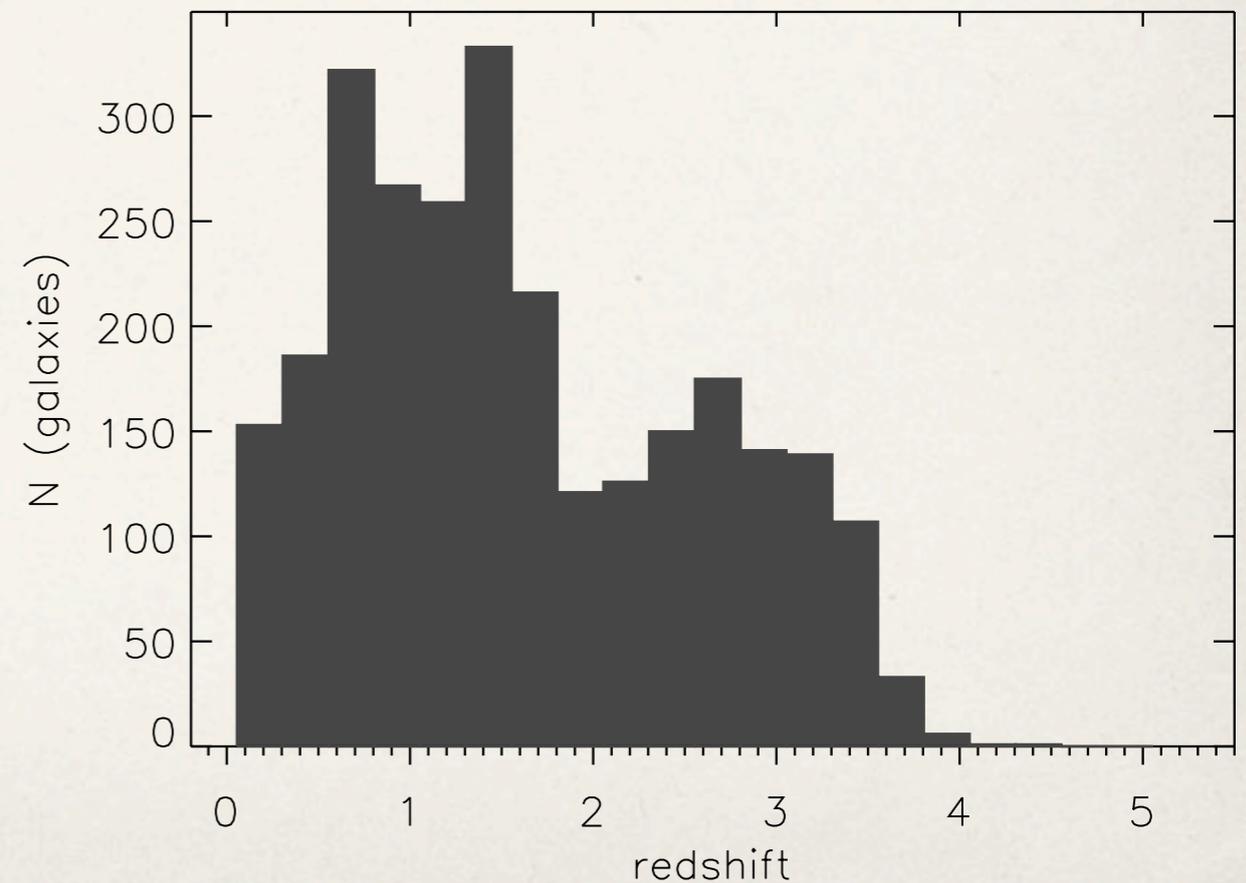
- Photometric catalogue of Coe et al. (2006):

- total of 18 700 sources;

- **ACS $BVi'z'$ + NIC3 JH** ;

- redshifts (mostly photometric)

- ~ **3000 galaxies** detected in at least 4 bands and above limiting magnitude in all bands



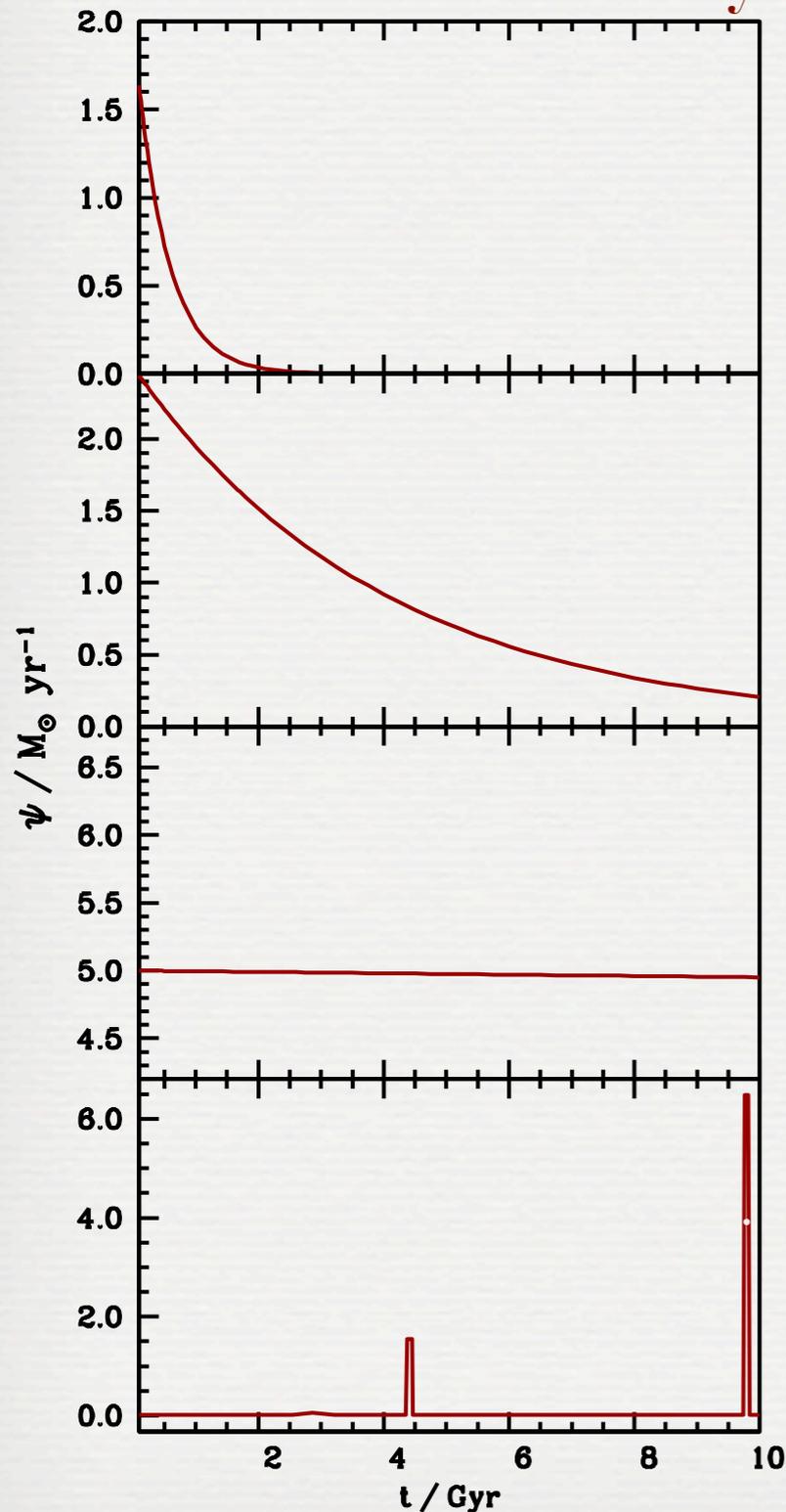
Modelling the SEDs

da Cunha, Charlot & Elbaz (2008) MNRAS

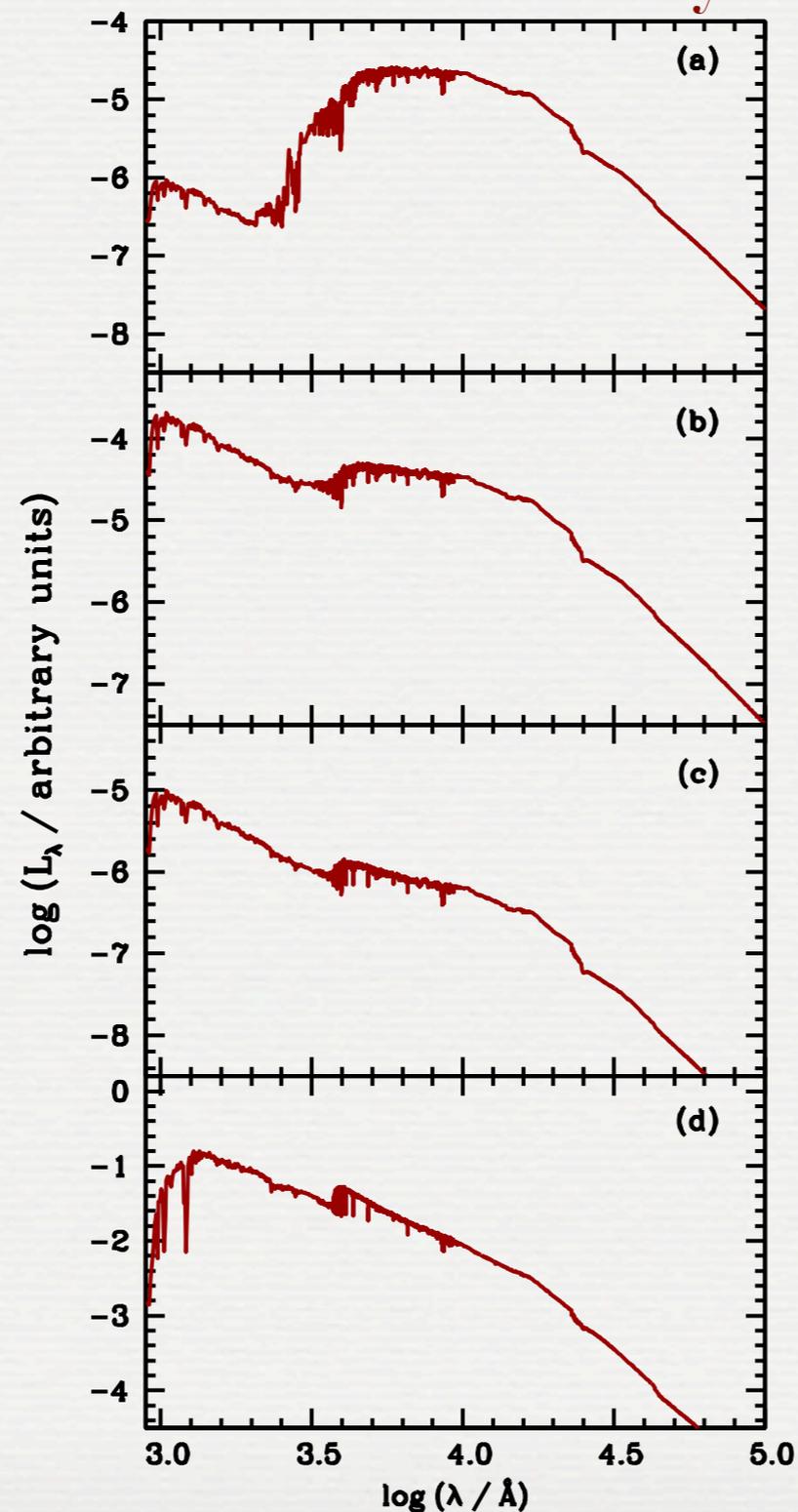
Code publicly available at: www.iap.fr/magphys

Emission from stellar populations

Star formation history



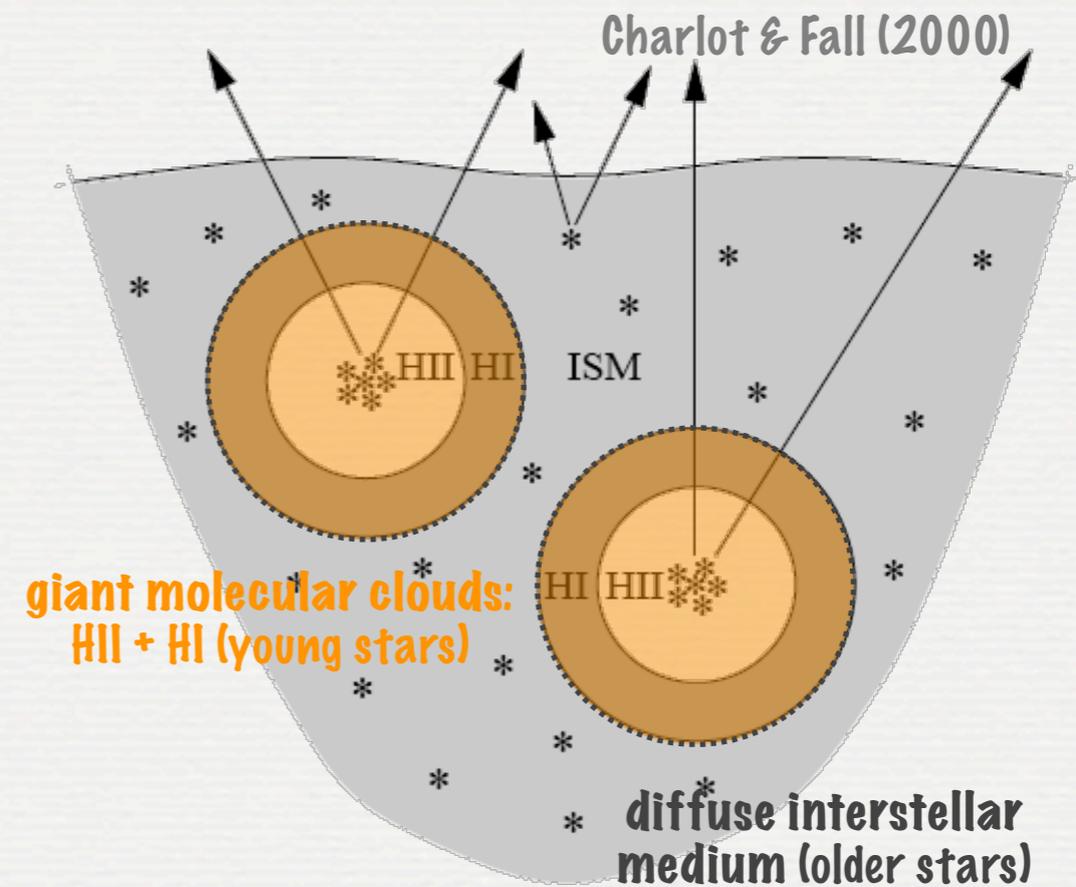
Total SED at 10 Gyr



- Latest version of **Bruzual & Charlot spectral synthesis models: CB07**; improved treatment of TP-AGB stars
- Chabrier IMF
- Main adjustable parameters:
 - age
 - star formation history: **exponentially declining + stochastic bursts**
 - metallicity

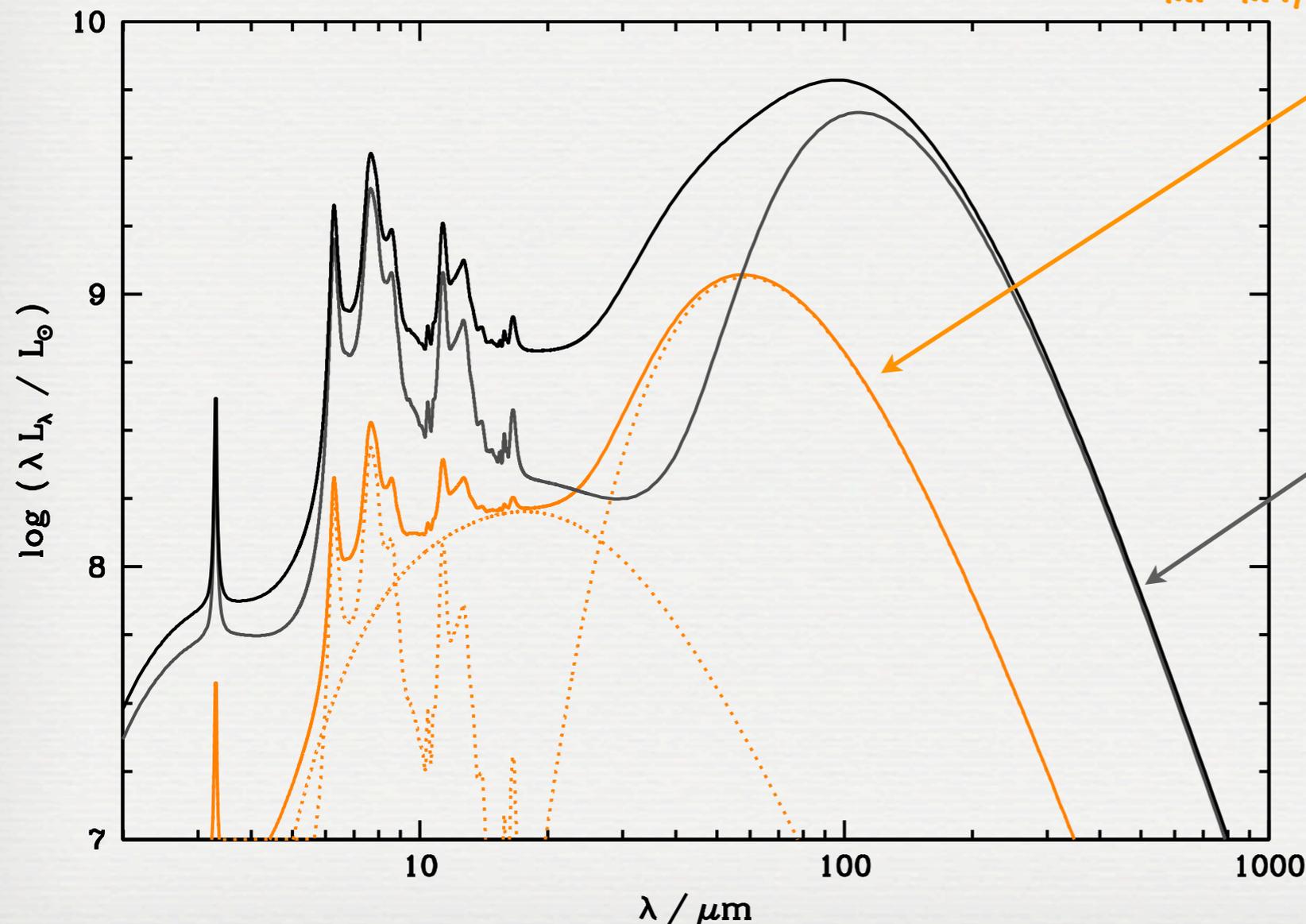
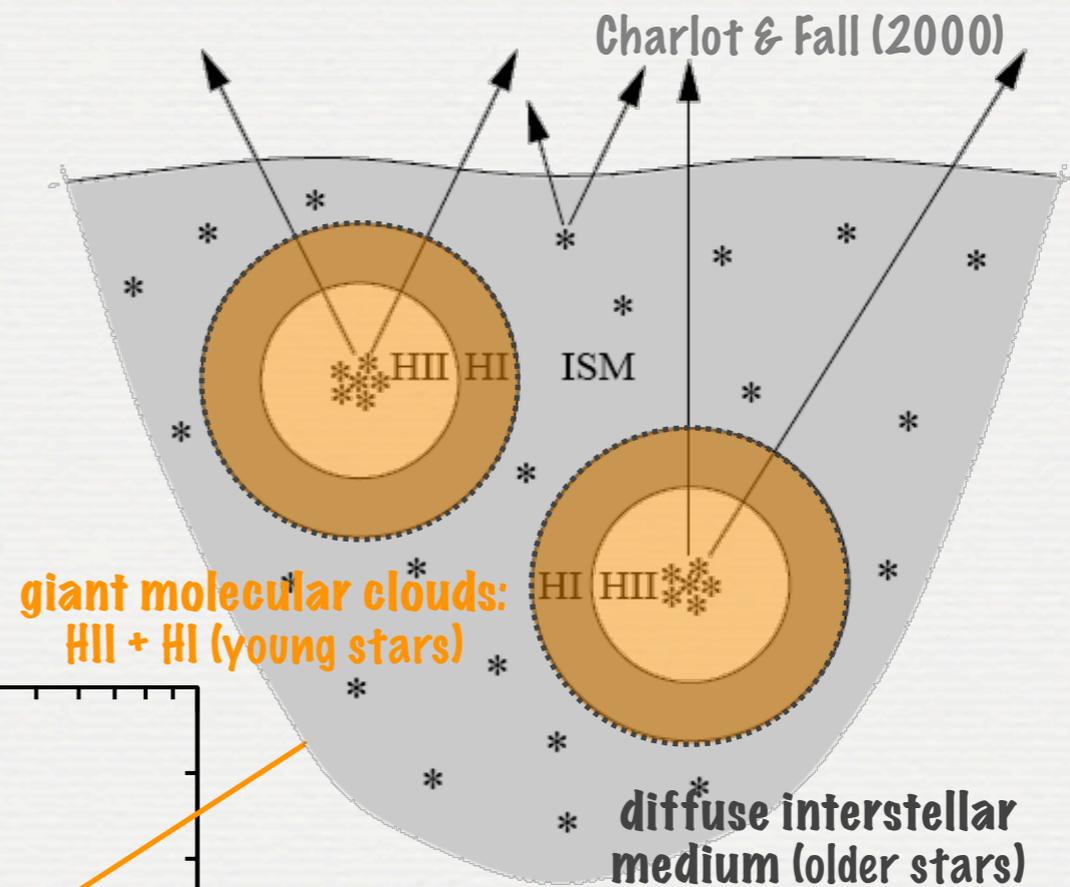
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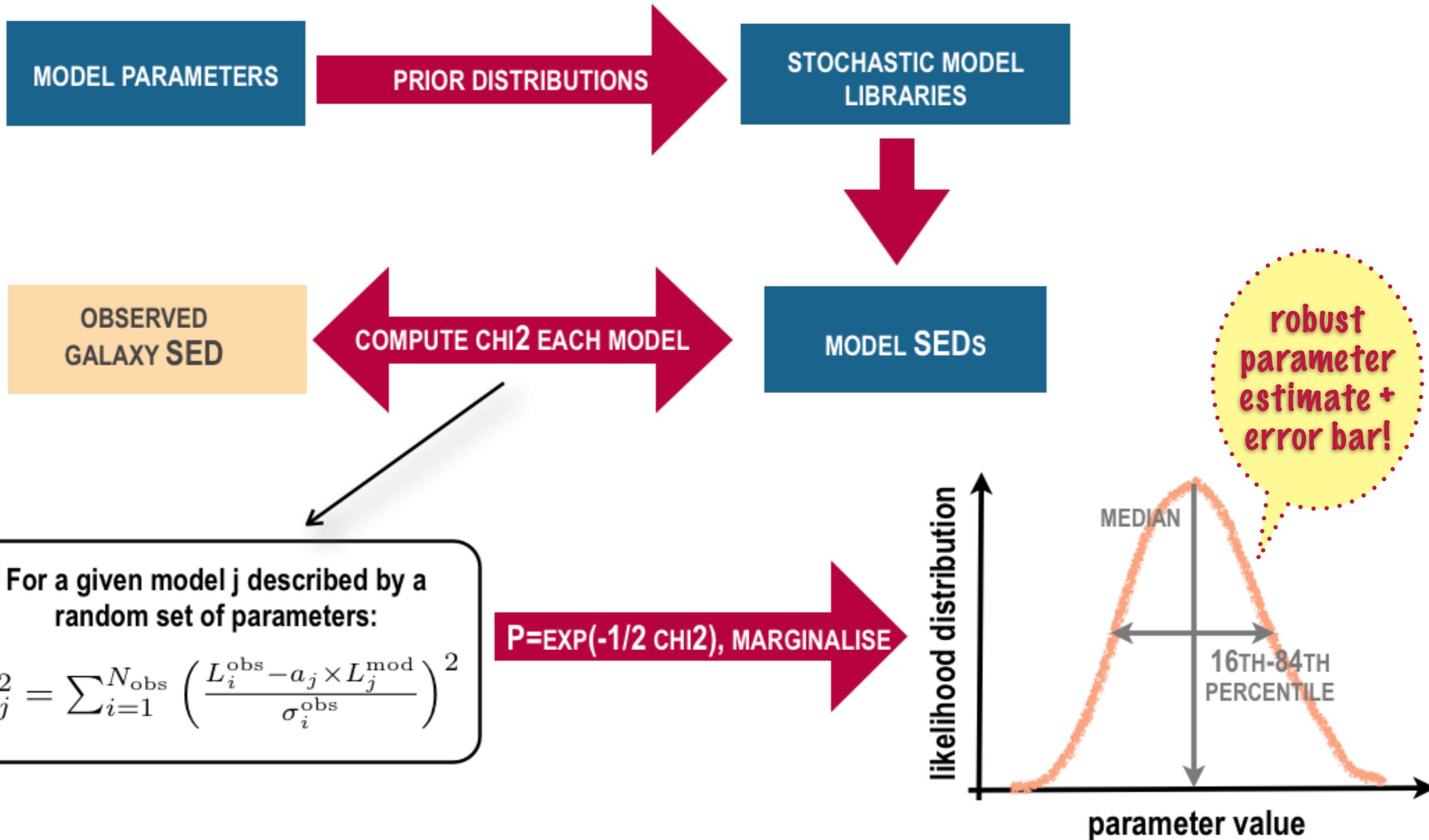
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- **Energy balance**
- **Dust components:**
 - PAHs,
 - Hot mid-IR continuum,
 - Warm dust in thermal equilibrium (30 - 60 K),
 - Cold dust in thermal equilibrium (15 - 25 K)

Statistical constraints on physical parameters

See also e.g.:
Kauffman et al. (2003)
Gallazzi et al. (2005)
Salim et al. (2007)



MODEL PARAMETERS

PRIOR DISTRIBUTIONS

STOCHASTIC MODEL LIBRARIES

OBSERVED GALAXY SED

COMPUTE CHI2 EACH MODEL

MODEL SEDs

For a given model j described by a random set of parameters:

$$\chi_j^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \left(\frac{L_i^{\text{obs}} - a_j \times L_j^{\text{mod}}}{\sigma_i^{\text{obs}}} \right)^2$$

P=EXP(-1/2 CHI2), MARGINALISE

likelihood distribution

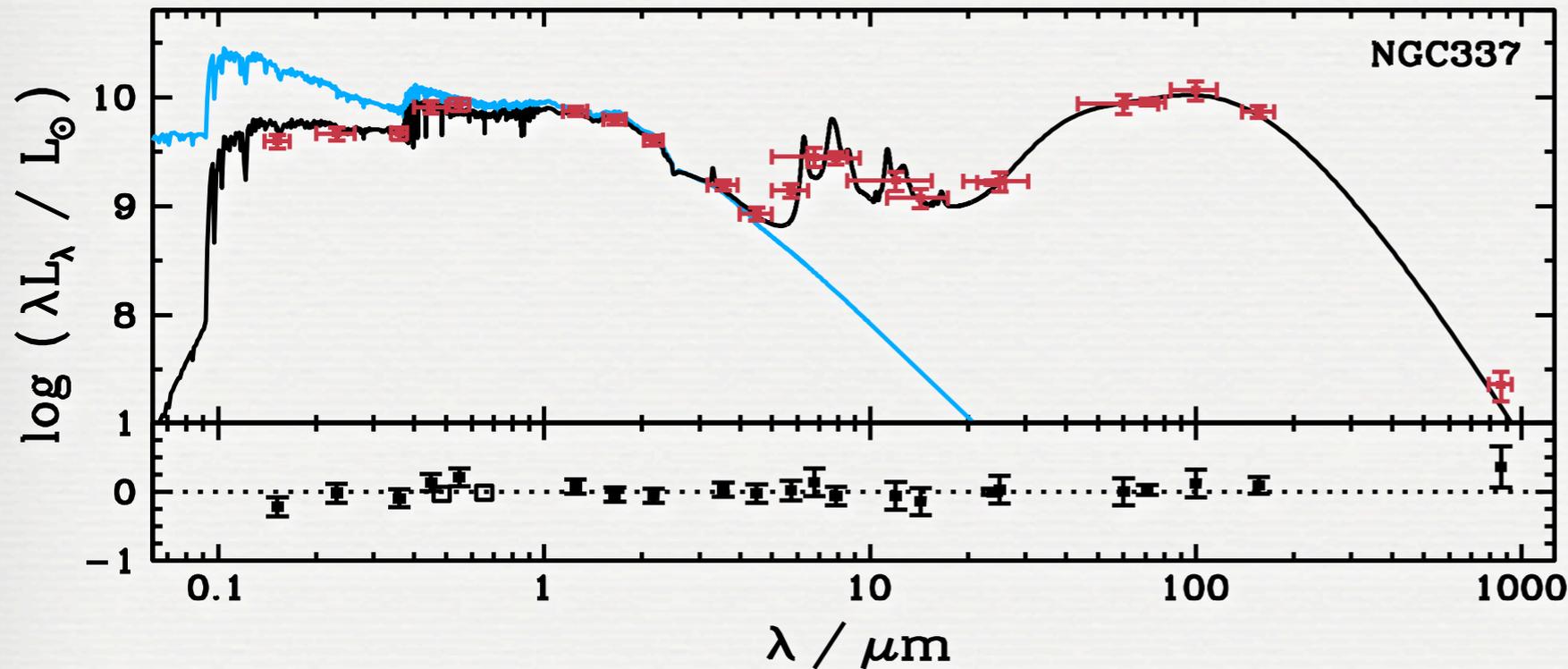
MEDIAN

16TH-84TH PERCENTILE

parameter value

robust parameter estimate + error bar!

Example: SINGS local spiral

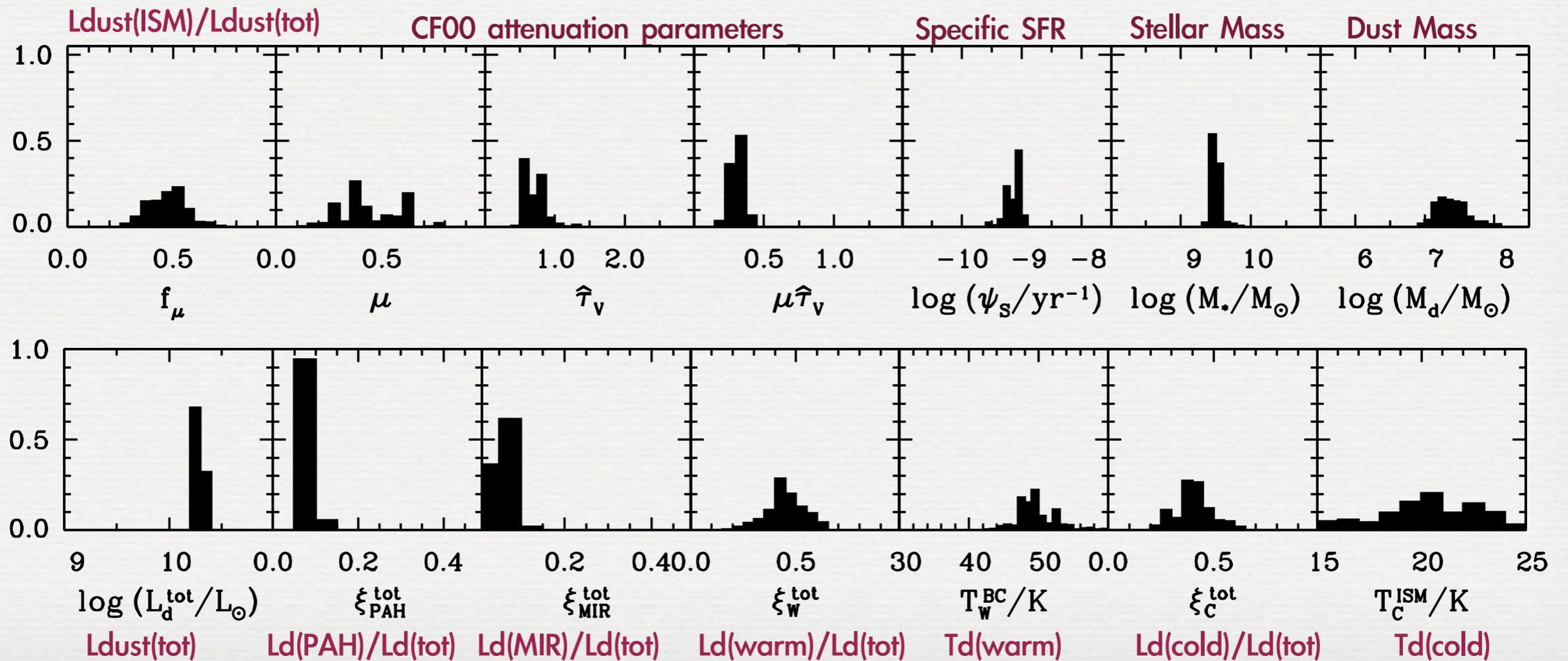


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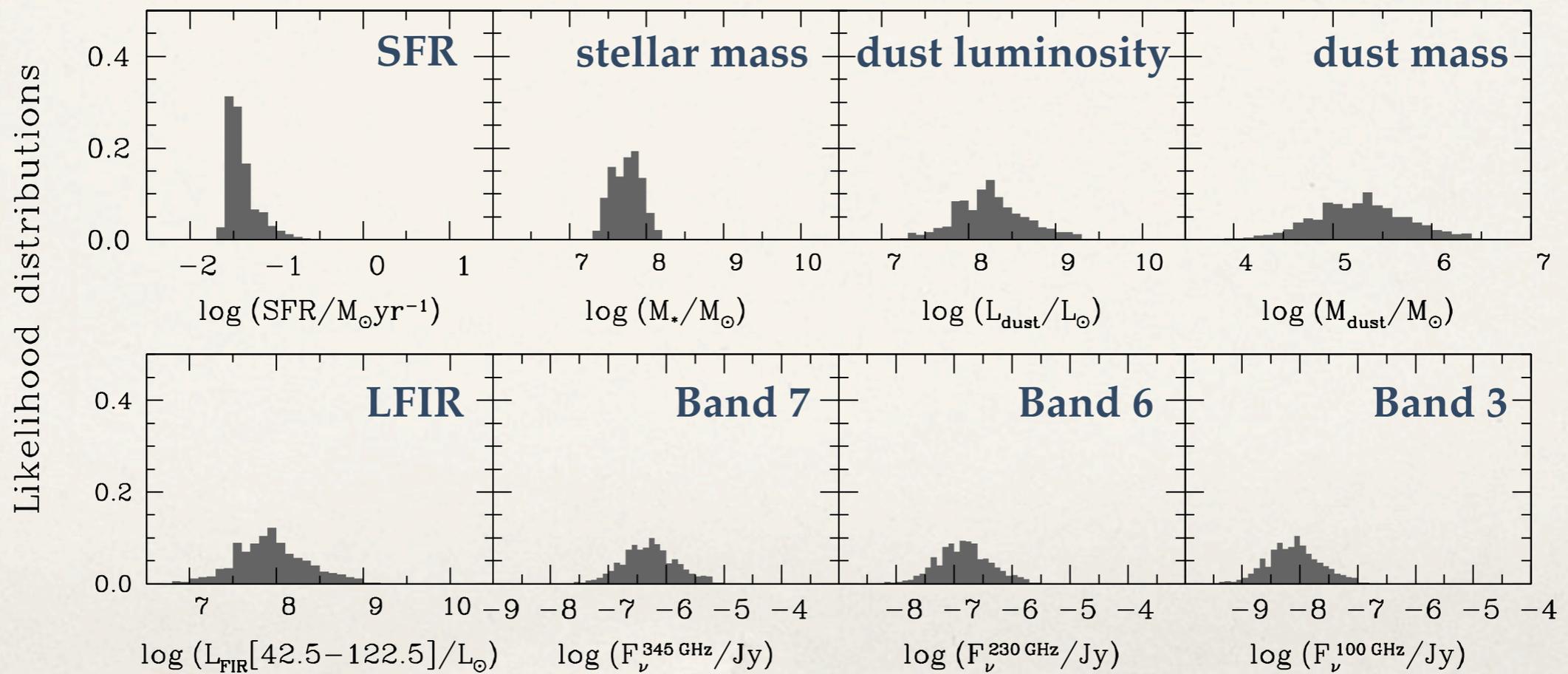
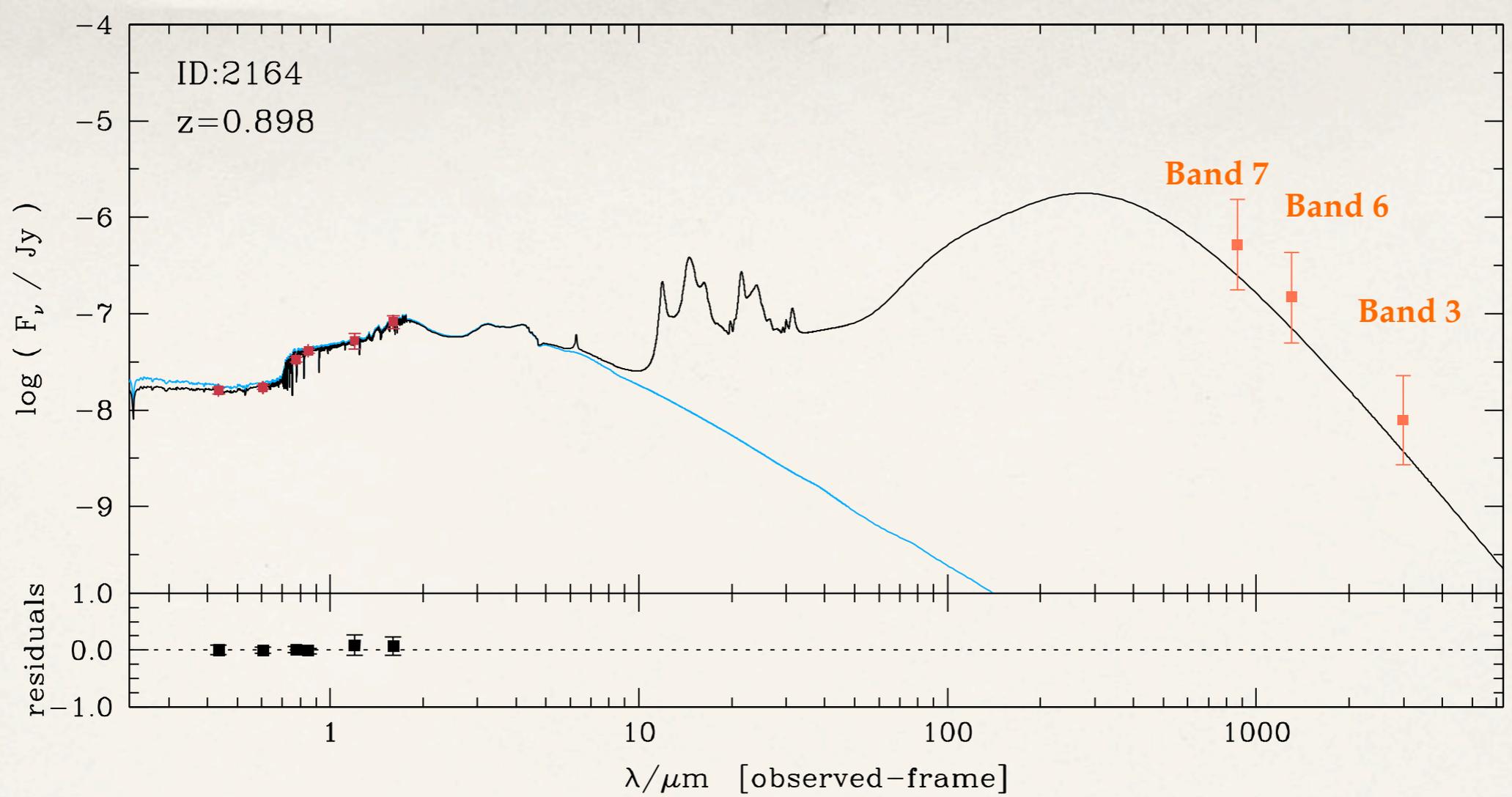
SINGS Team

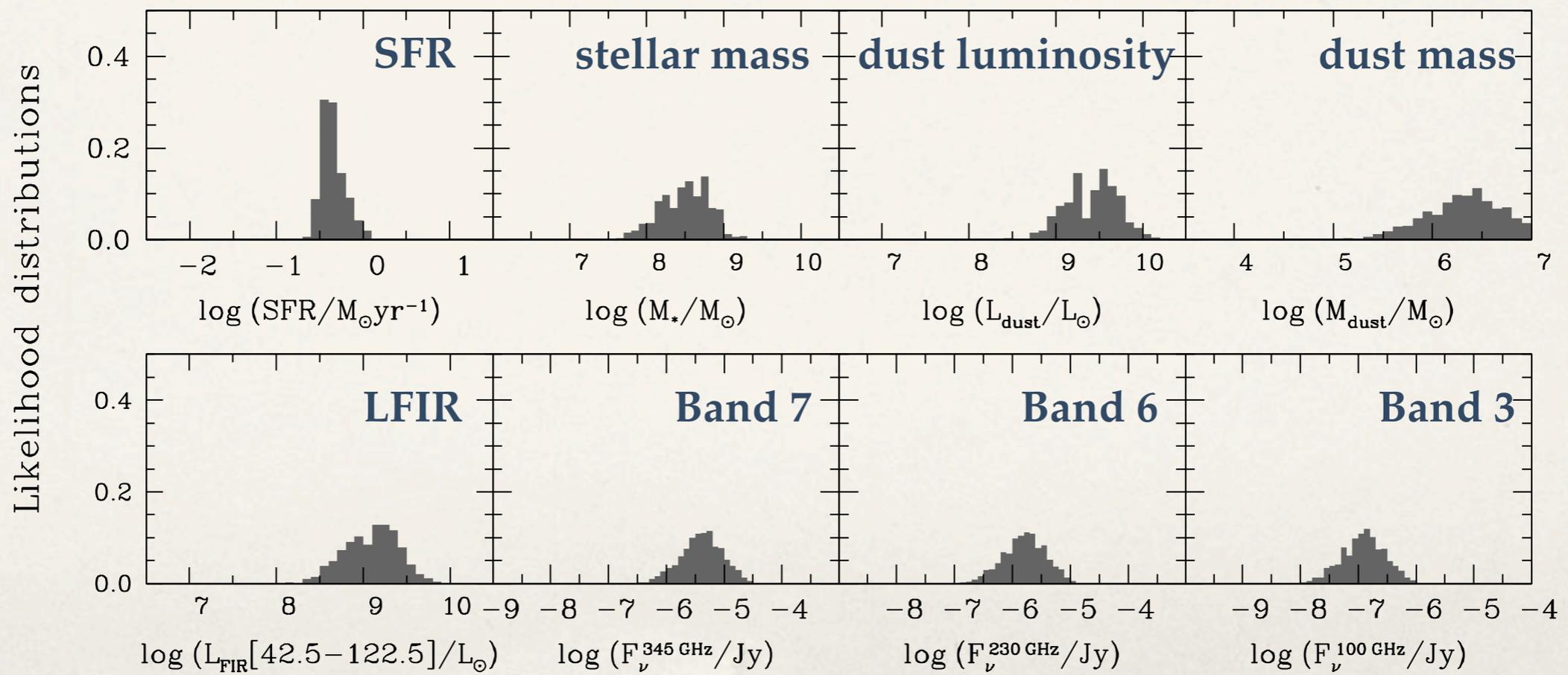
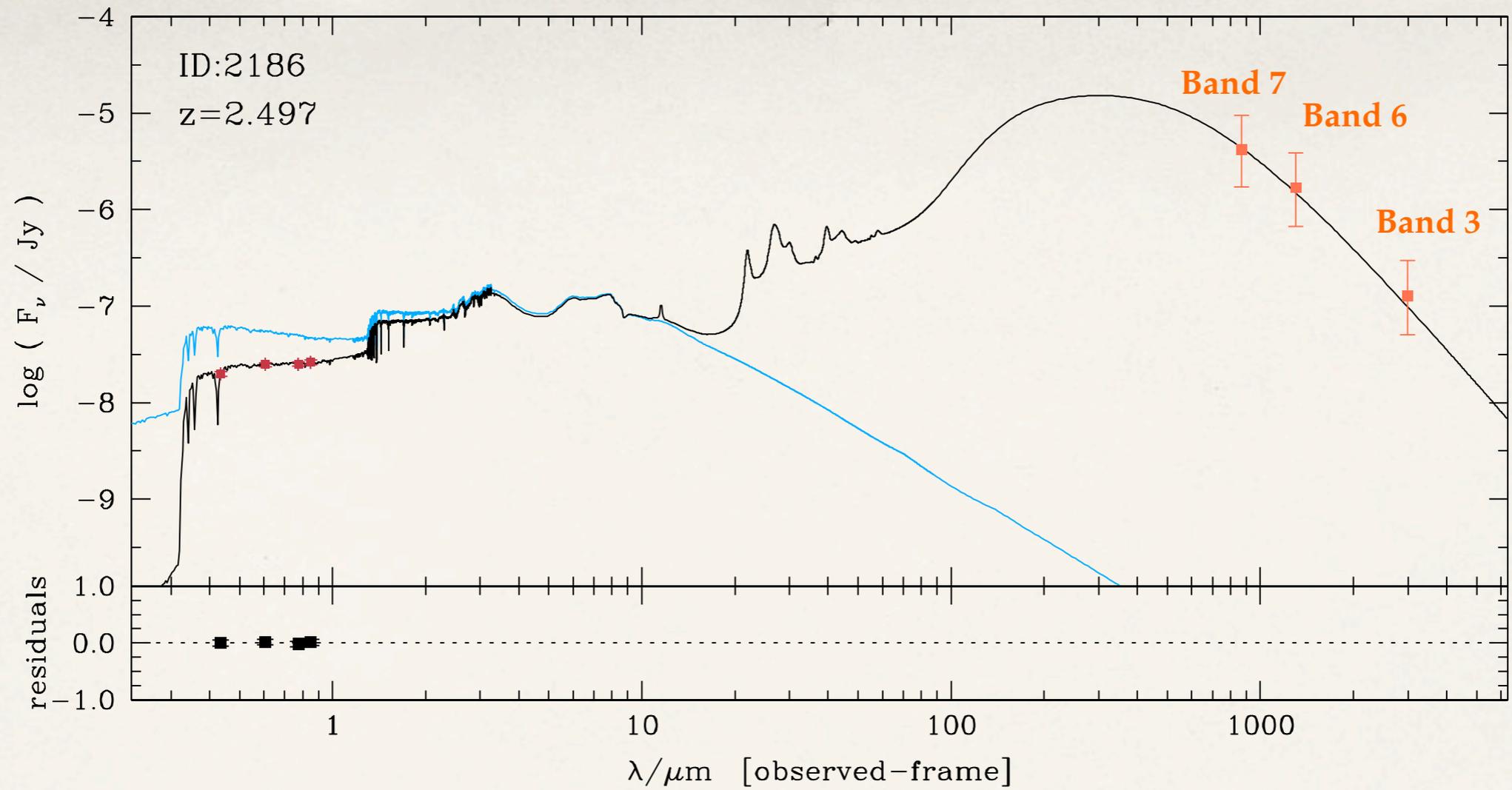
Parameter Likelihood Distributions



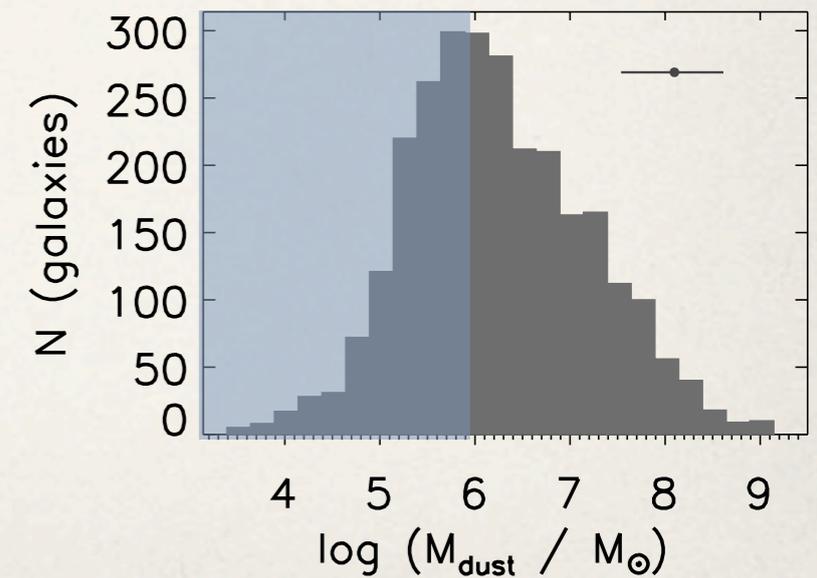
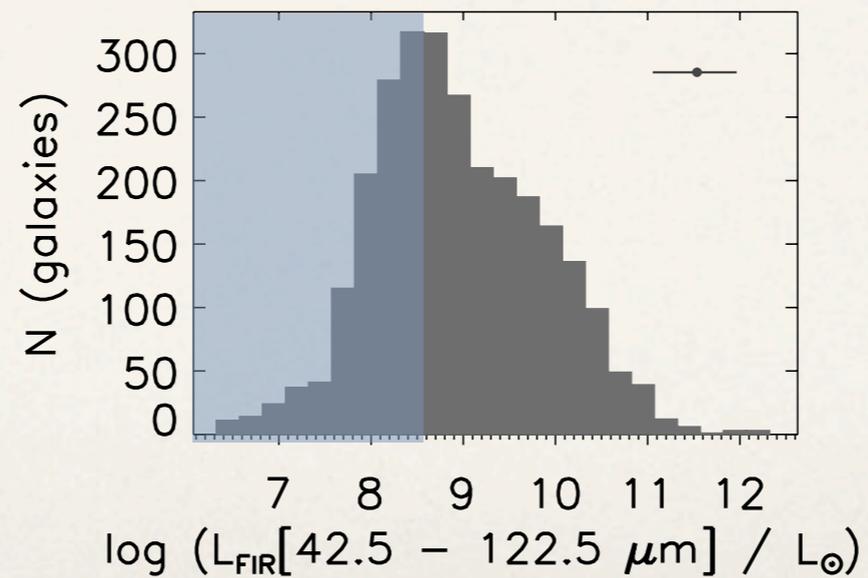
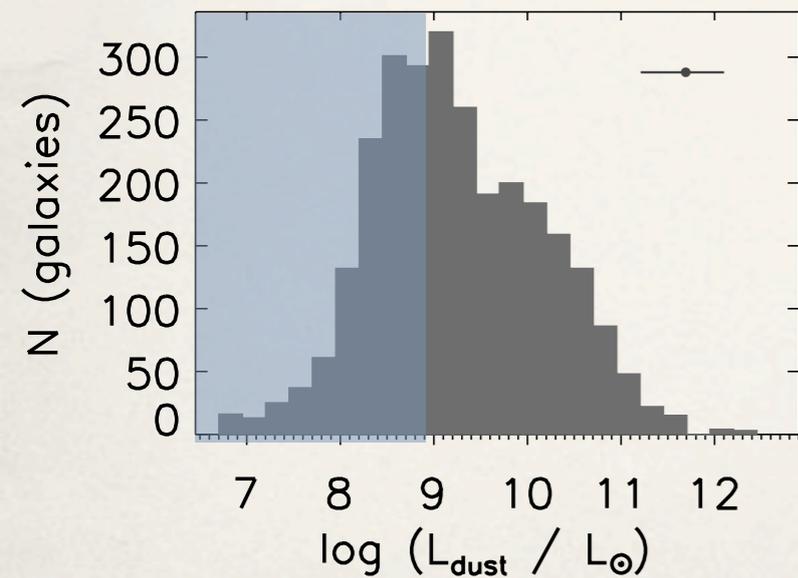
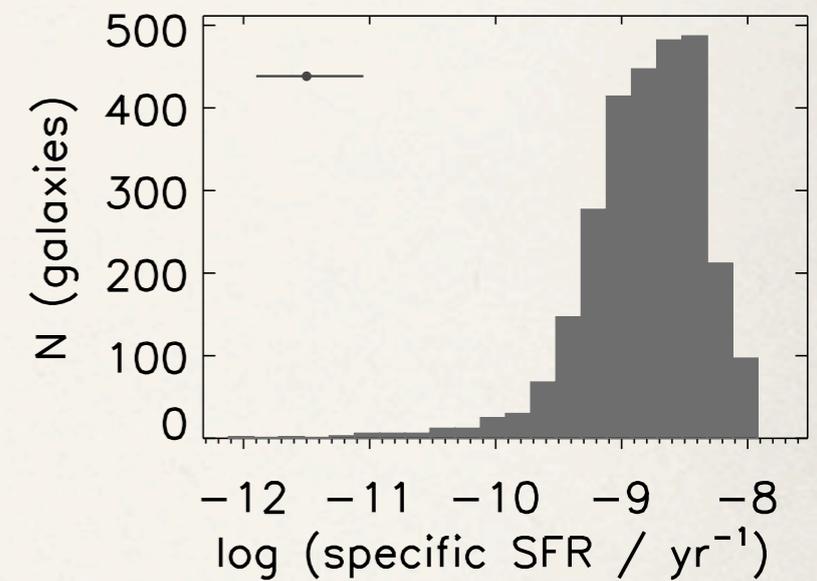
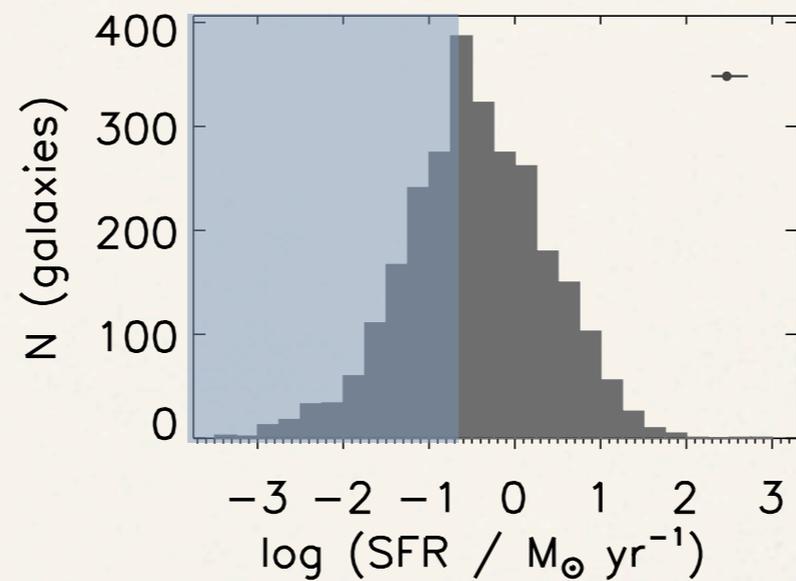
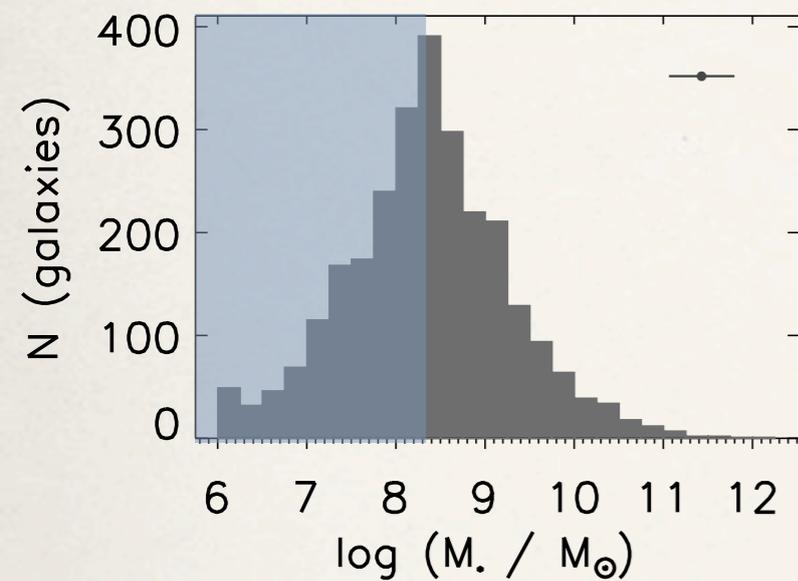
Fitting the SEDs of UDF galaxies

- ❖ Fit UV/optical photometry using library of 50,000 models - wide range of possible star formation histories and dust attenuation parameters
- ❖ For each combination SFH+dust attenuation --> likelihood distribution for dust luminosity (via **energy balance**)
- ❖ Dust luminosity + priors on dust masses/temperatures --> **likelihood distribution for L_FIR and continuum fluxes in ALMA bands.**

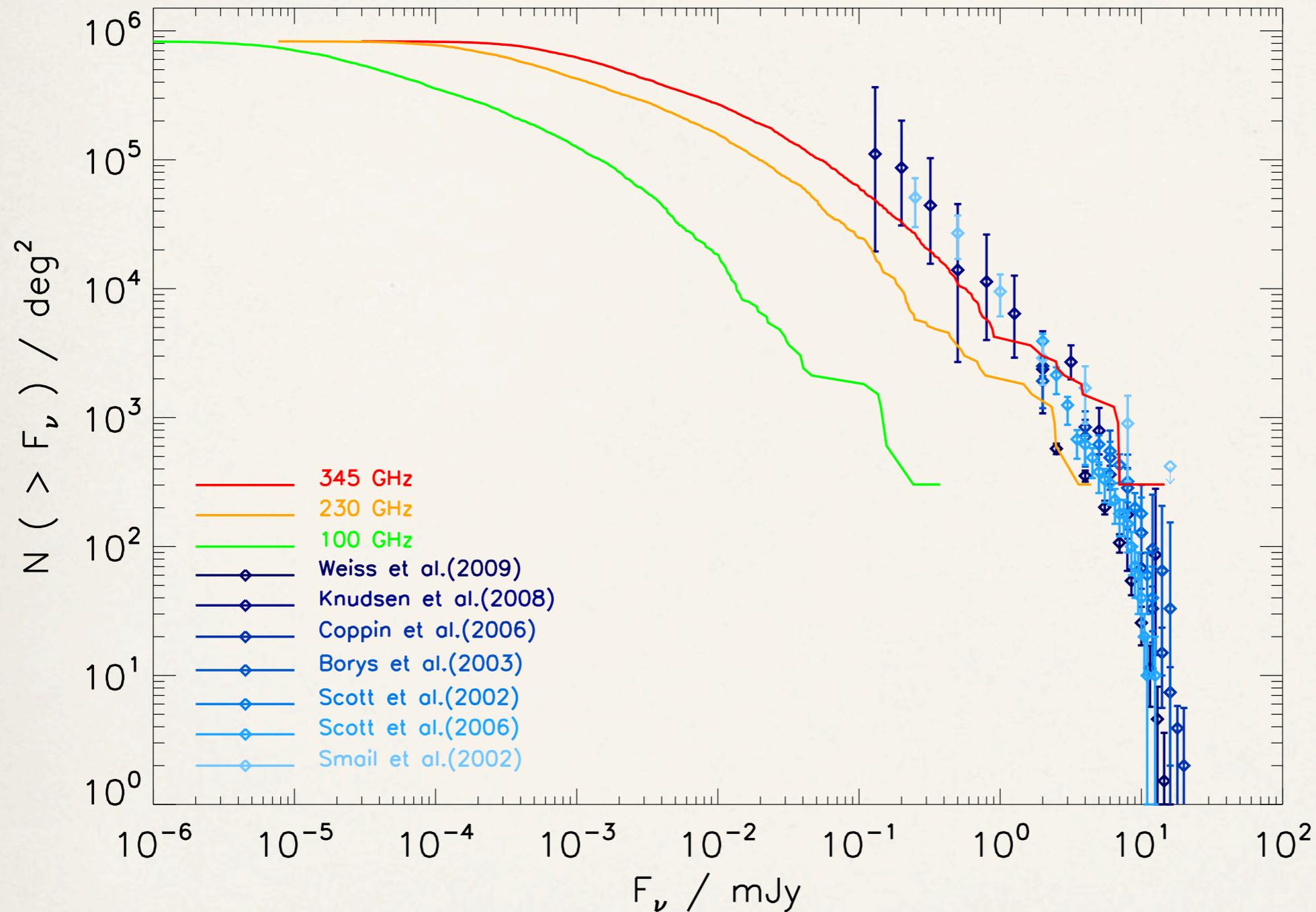




Physical parameters

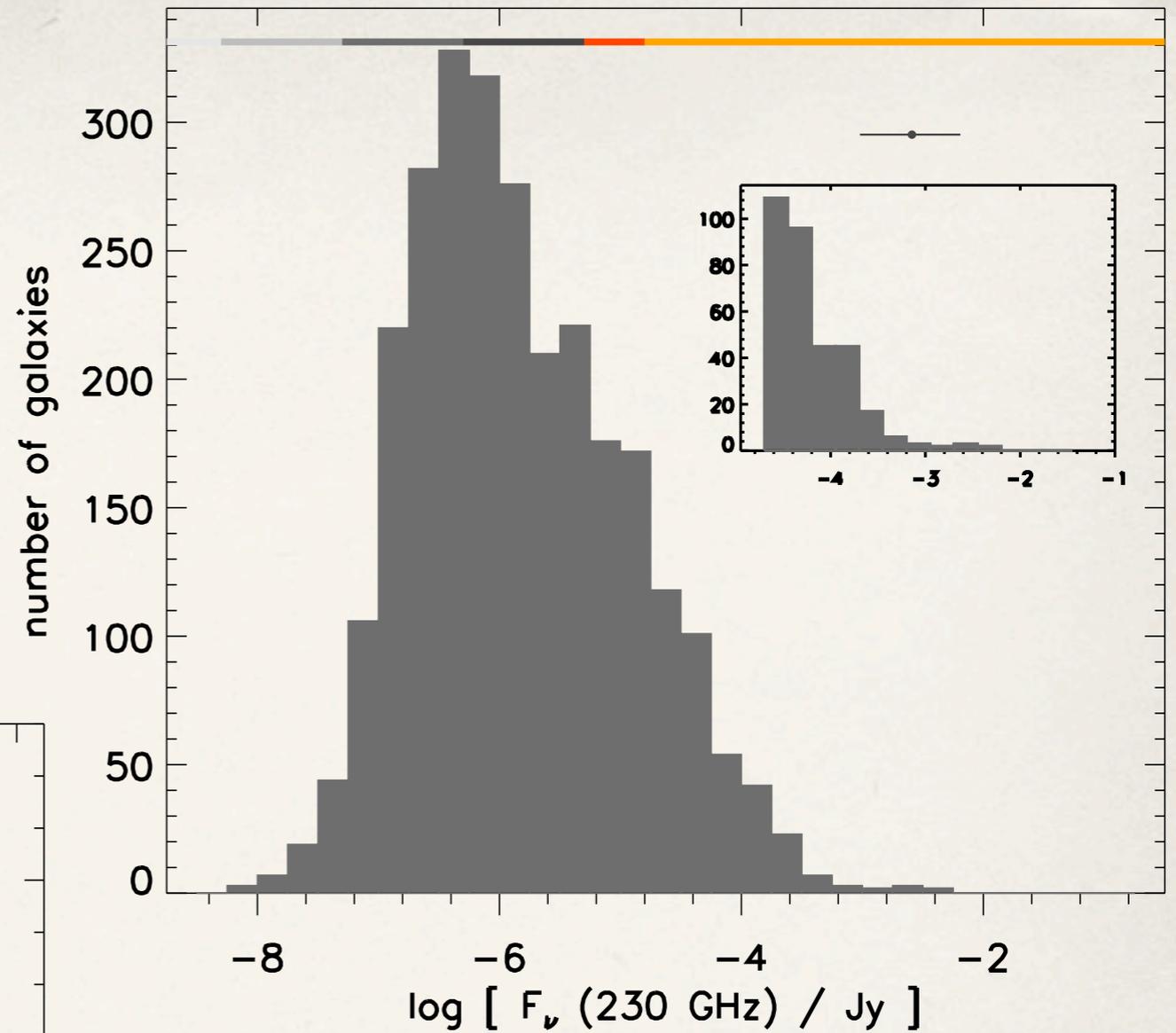


Continuum number counts



EBL @ 345 GHz = 43.5 Jy/sq. deg.
(consistent with Greve et al. 2010)

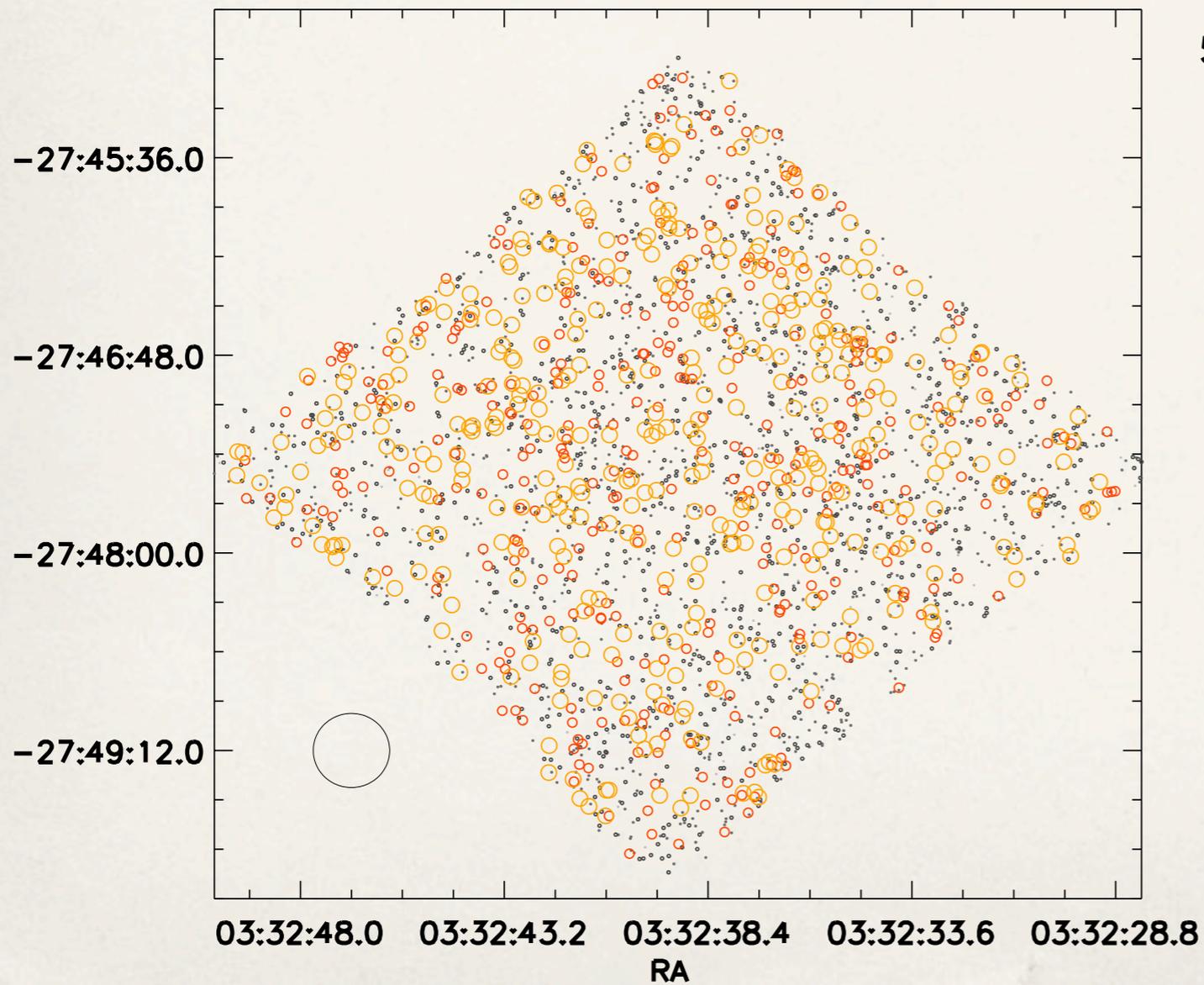
Continuum fluxes in Band 6



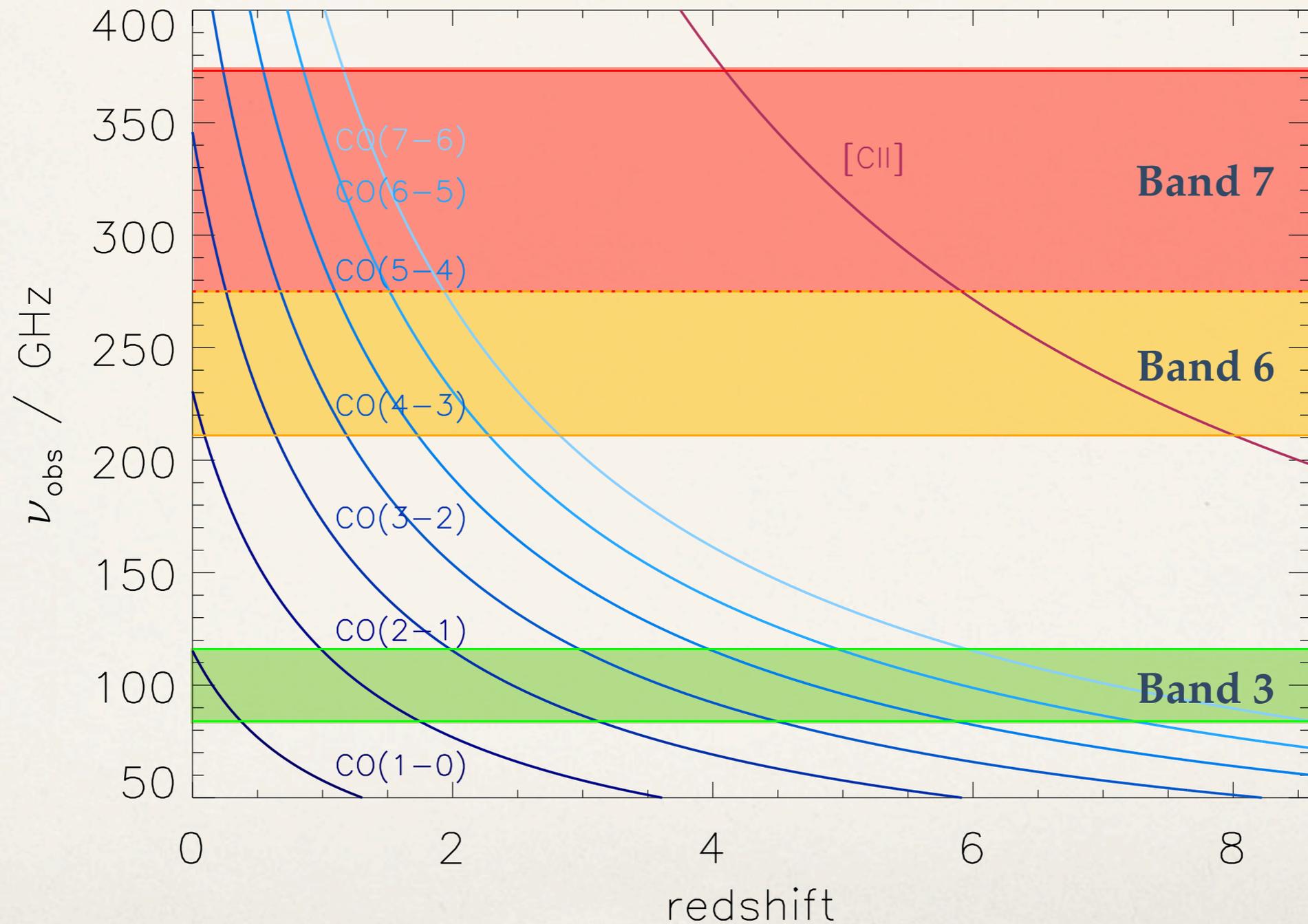
rms=0.01 mJy

orange circles:
fluxes above 3sigma (~400 detections)

red circles:
fluxes above sigma

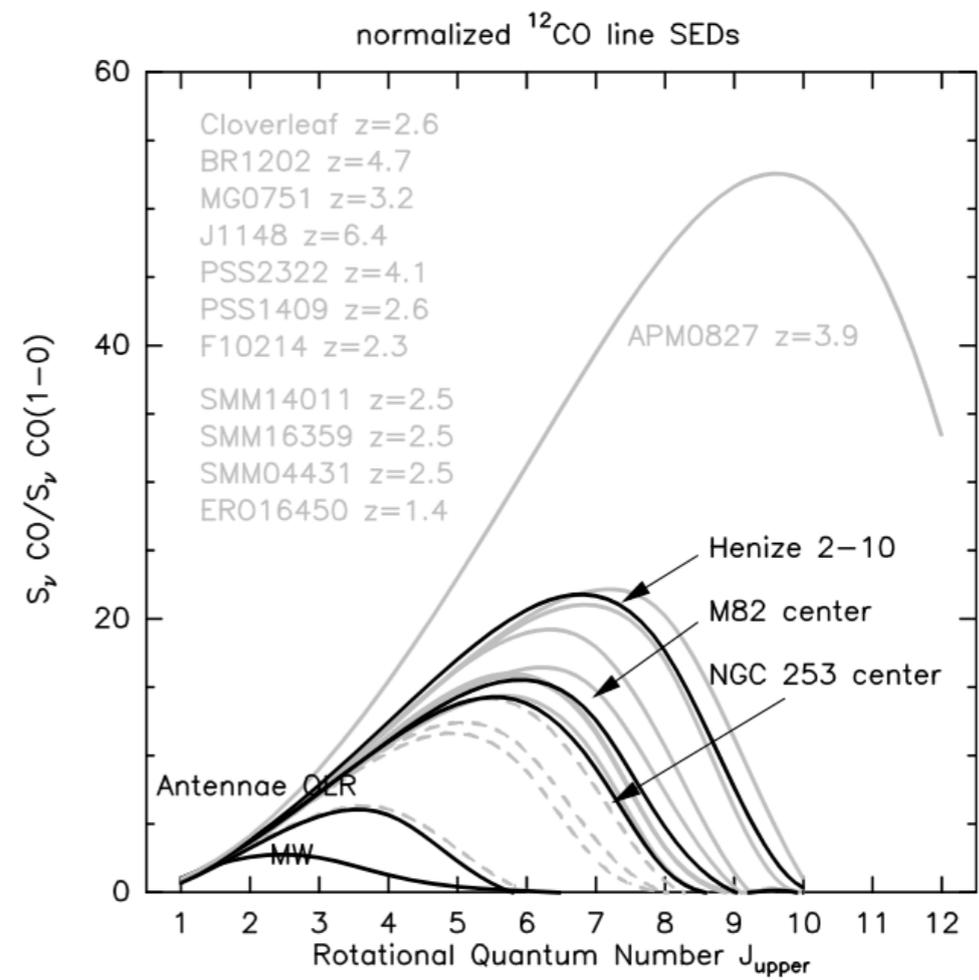
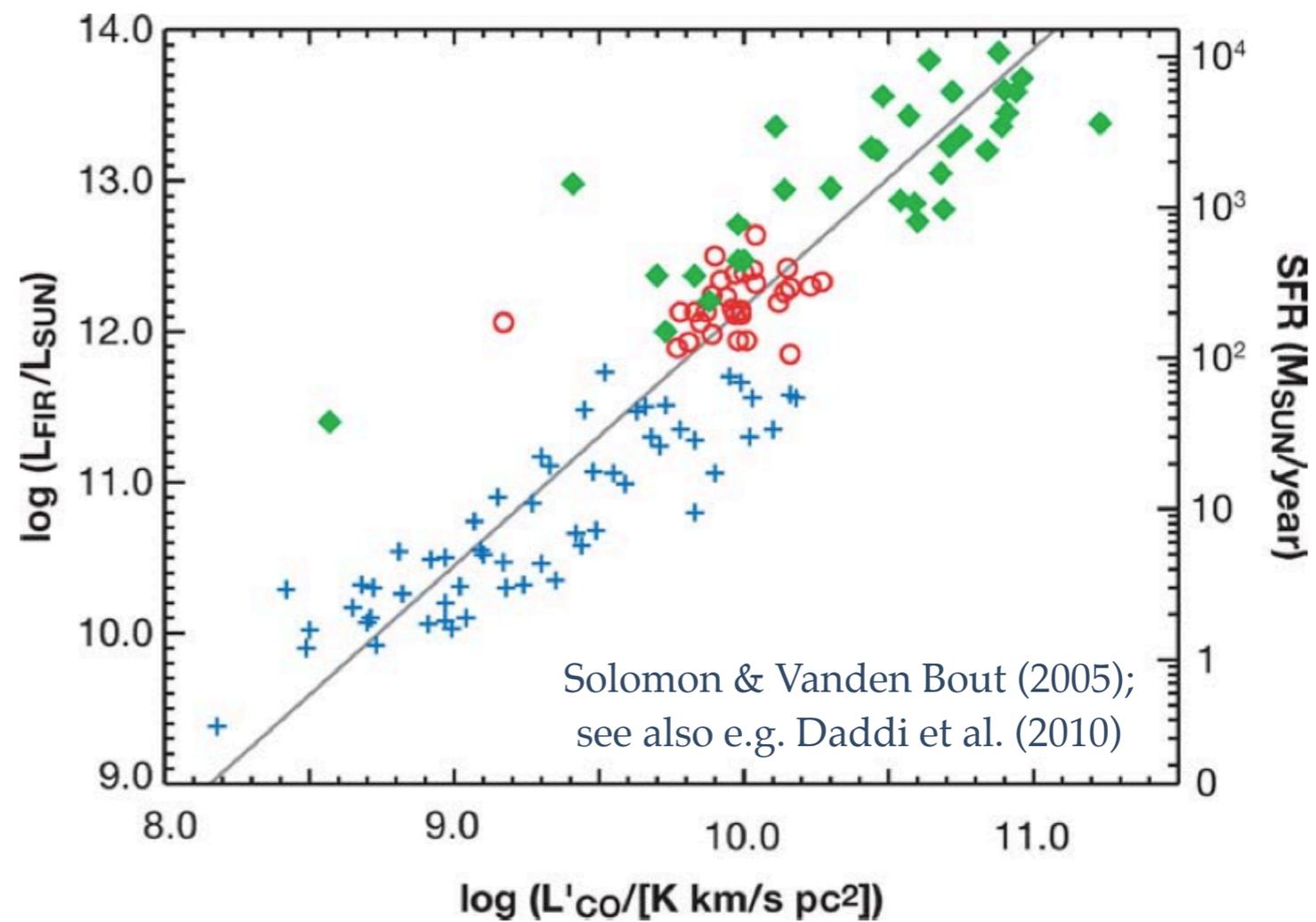


Lines - diagnostics of SF & ISM

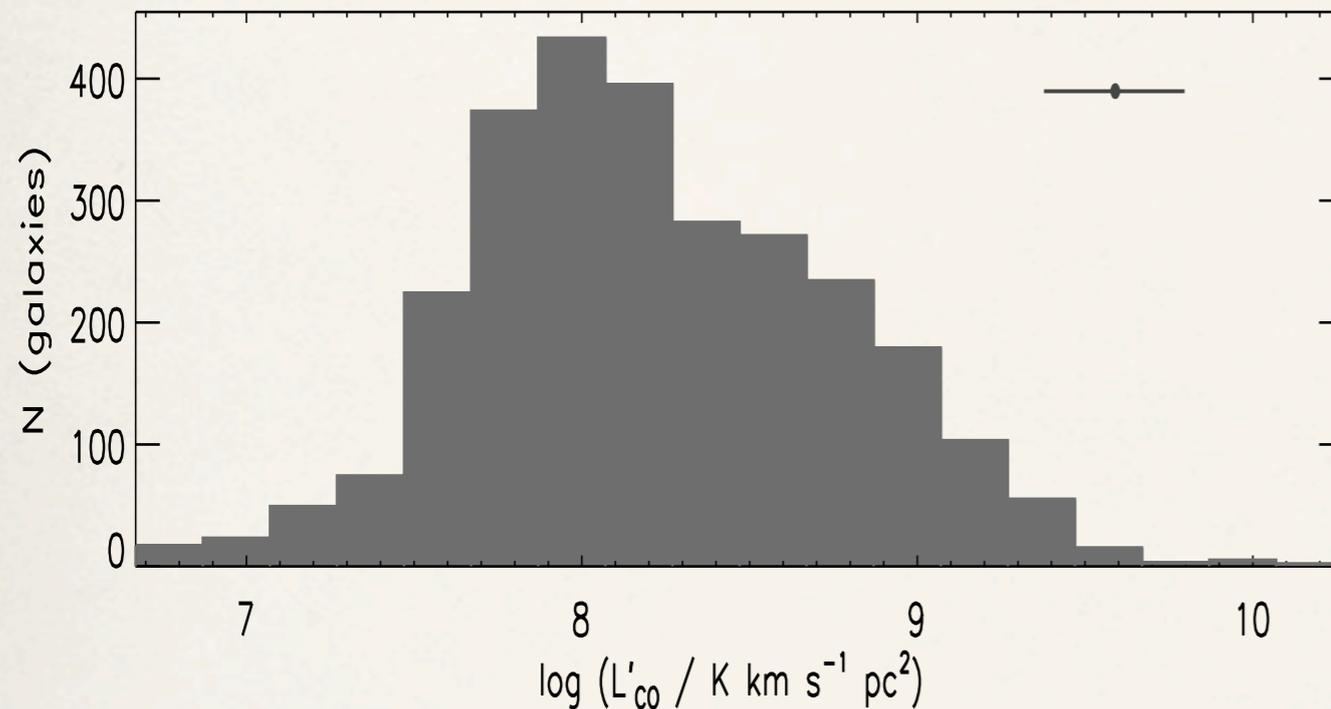


CO lines

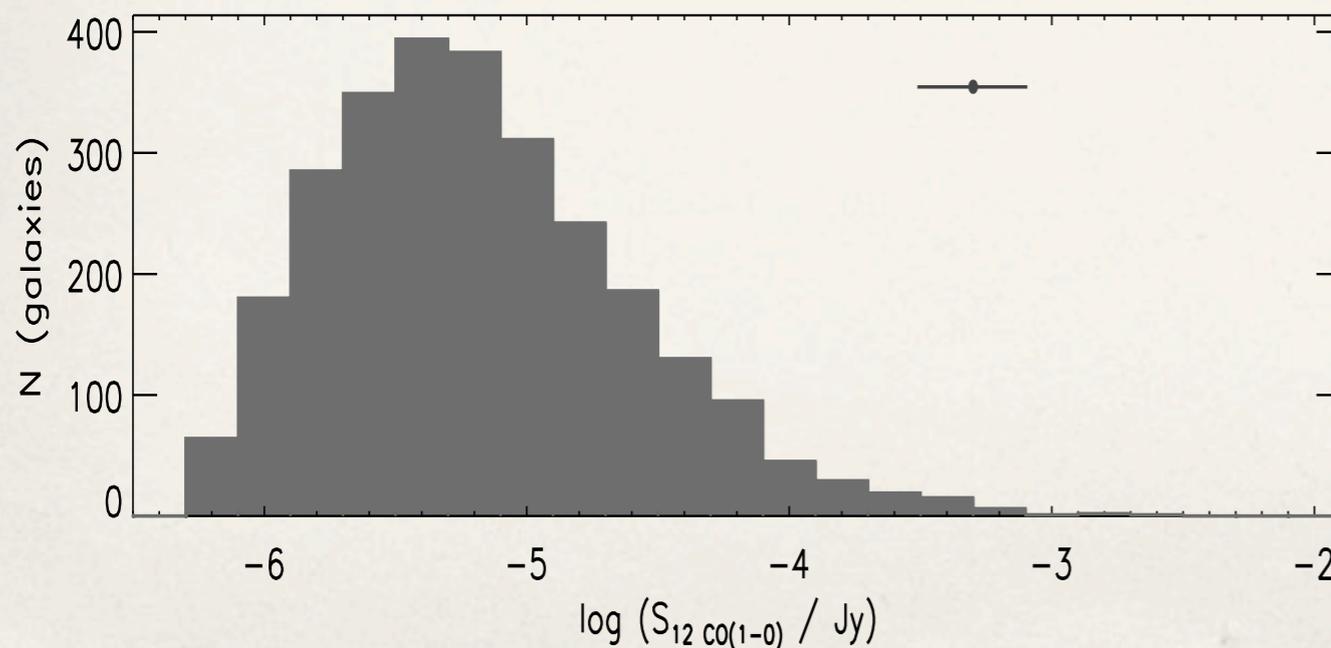
- ❖ Likelihood distribution of L_{FIR} from SEDs
- ❖ Calibration between L_{FIR} and $L_{\text{CO}(1-0)}$ -> Likelihood distribution for $L_{\text{CO}(1-0)}$
- ❖ Assume CO line width: CO(1-0) predicted flux
- ❖ Higher J transitions: CO SEDs from A. Weiss et al.



CO flux predictions



Band 3 [84 – 116 GHz]		
$5\sigma = 0.13 \text{ mJy}$		
Line	Milky Way	M 82 center
CO(1–0)	30	30
CO(2–1)	25	63
CO(3–2)	2	32
CO(4–3)	0	51
CO(5–4)	0	0
CO(6–5)	0	0
CO(7–6)	0	0



Band 6 [211 – 275 GHz]		
$5\sigma = 0.38 \text{ mJy}$		
Line	Milky Way	M 82 center
CO(1–0)	not observable	not observable
CO(2–1)	3	4
CO(3–2)	25	84
CO(4–3)	12	108
CO(5–4)	3	87
CO(6–5)	0	41
CO(7–6)	0	15

Summary & Conclusions

- ❖ ALMA will allow us to routinely detect Milky Way-type galaxies at high redshifts
- ❖ SED modelling of optically-detected galaxies in the Hubble UDF using physically-motivated models + statistical approach allow us to predict the sub-mm fluxes of these galaxies
- ❖ A large (500 hours) deep field of the UDF with ALMA will yield at least several hundreds of continuum detections and tens to hundreds of CO line detections
- ❖ Statistical studies of star formation & ISM of the 'normal' galaxy population at high redshifts