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EXPLORING HEII1640 EMISSION LINE PROPERTIES AT  $Z=2-4$

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**What is so special about Hell???**







Pop III  
Stars

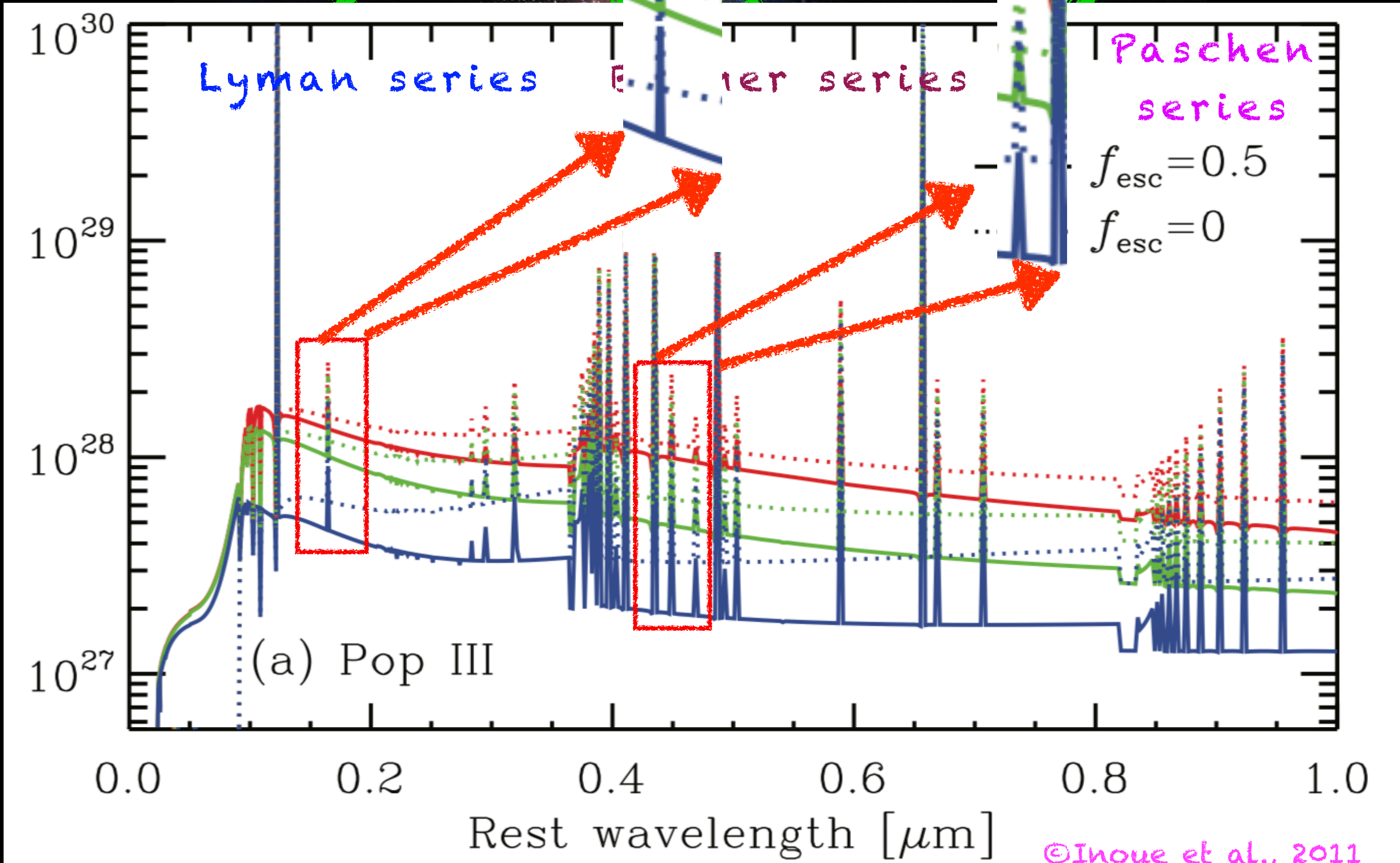
(Top heavy IMF)

$E > 54.4 \text{ eV}$

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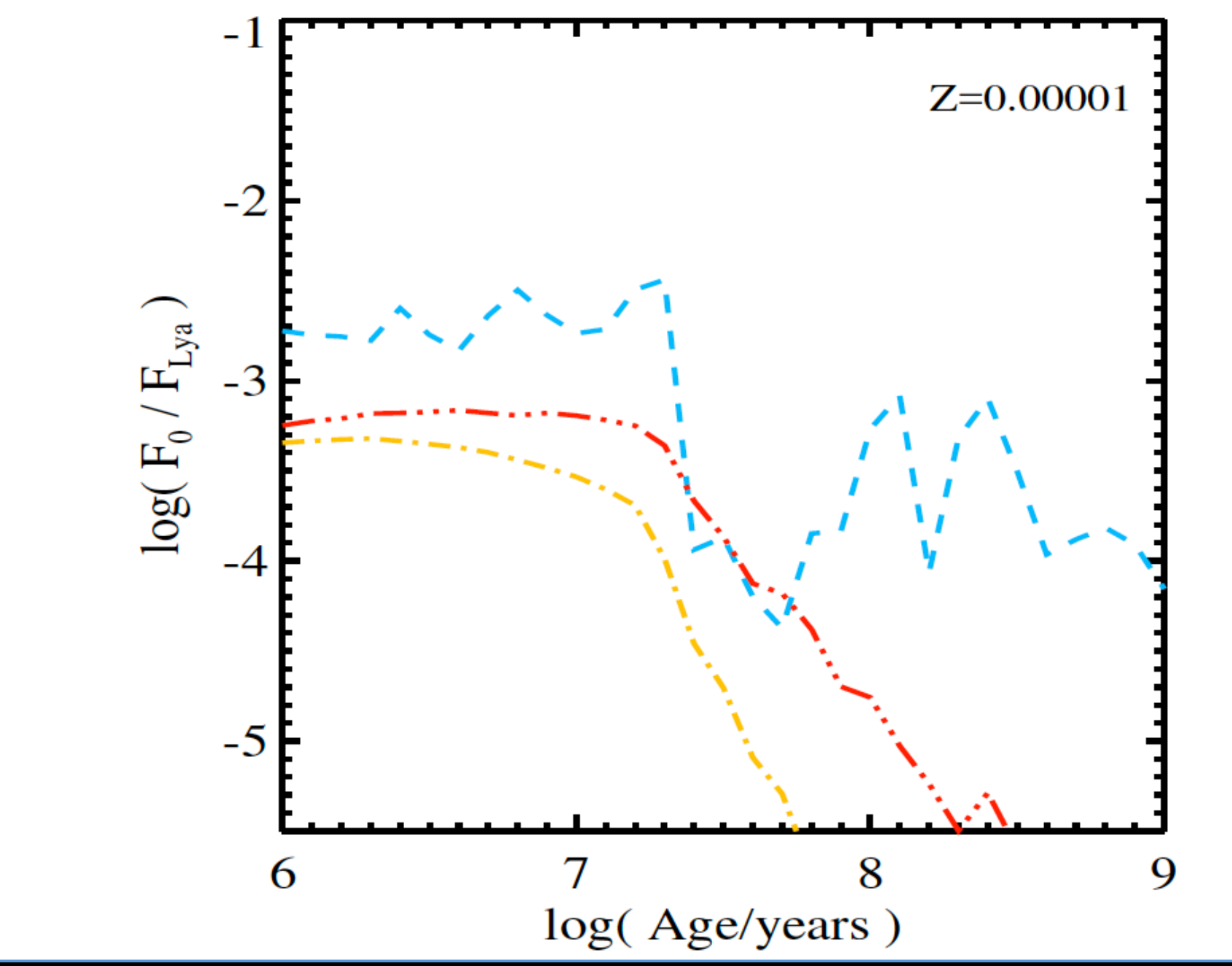
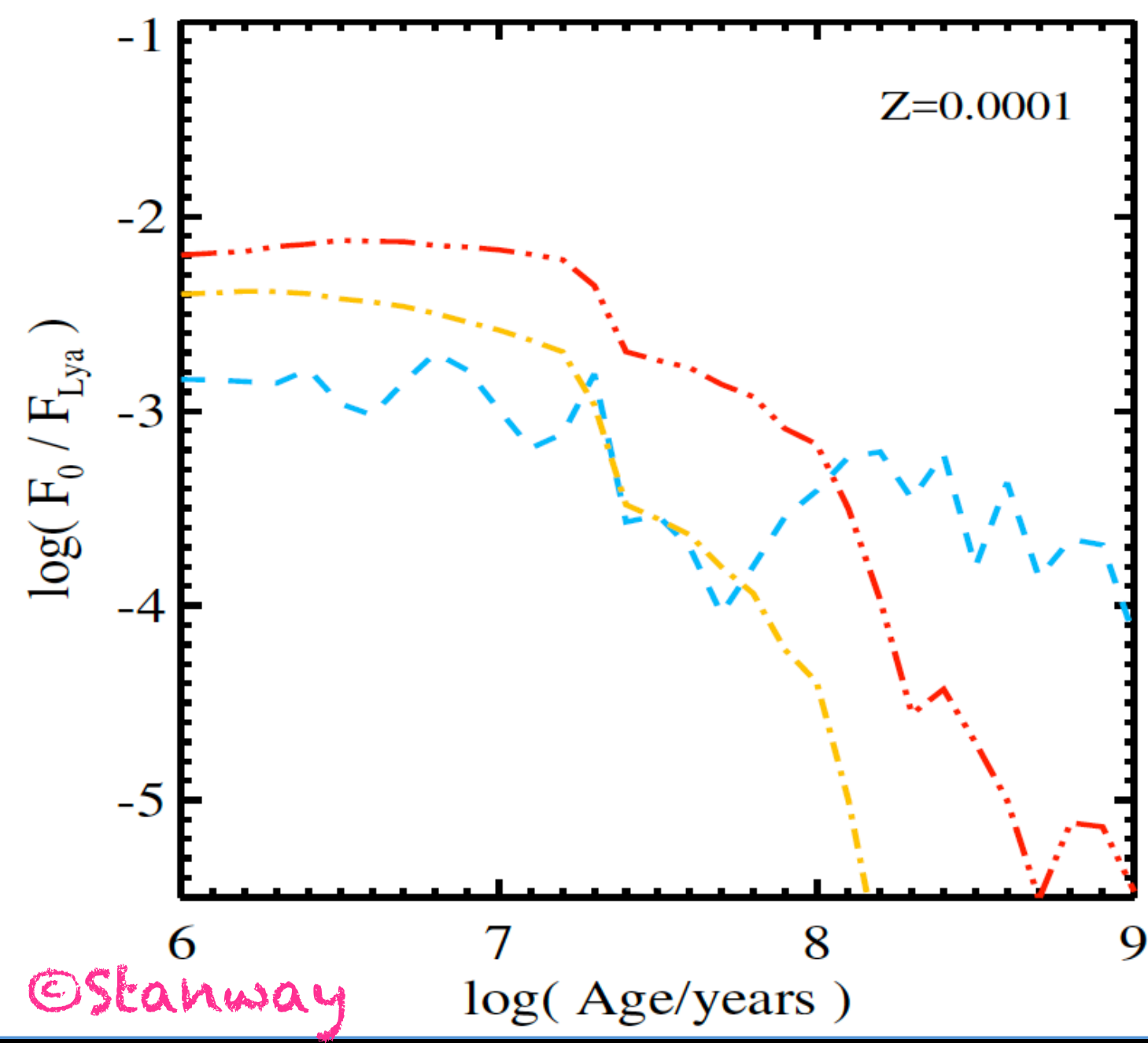
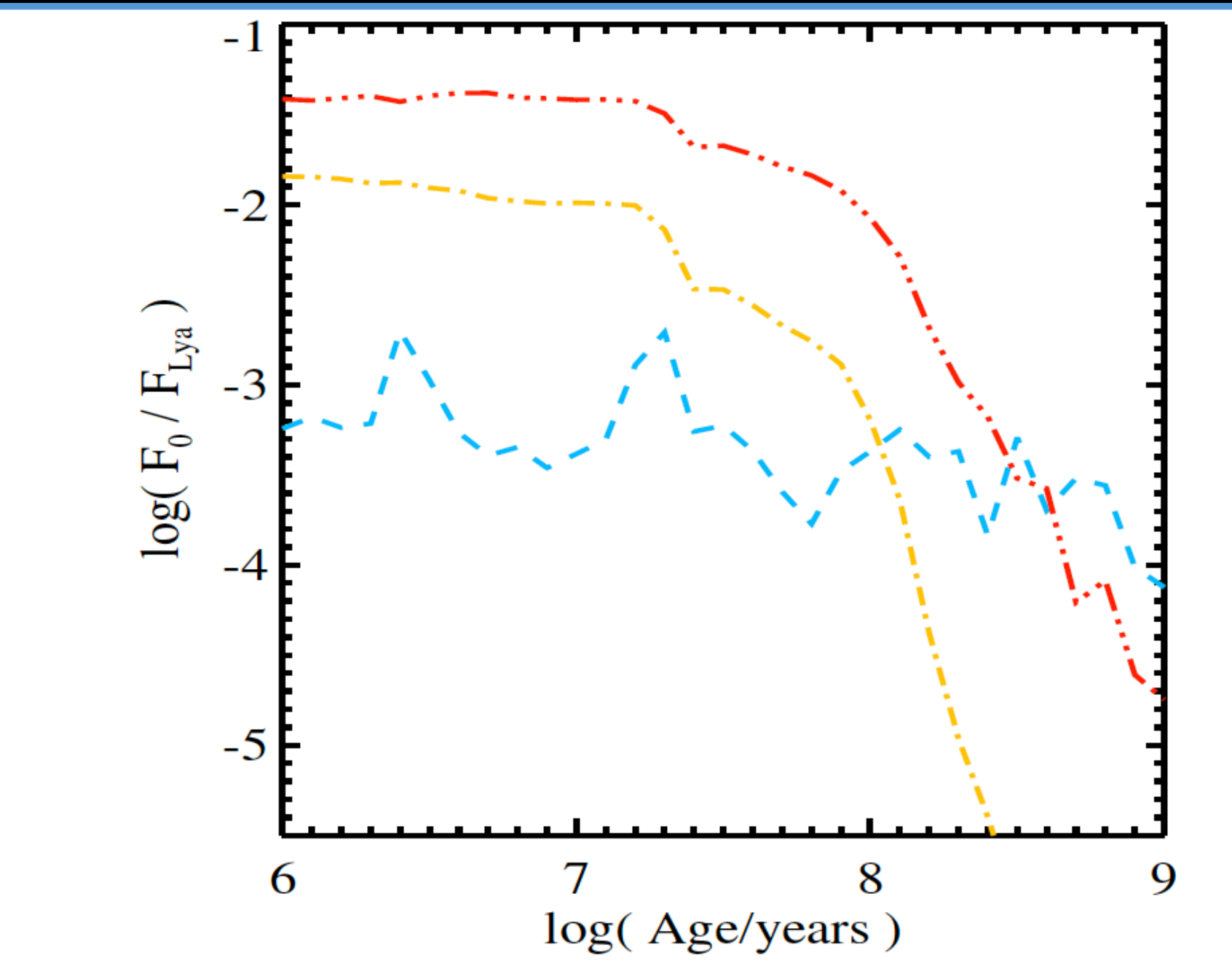
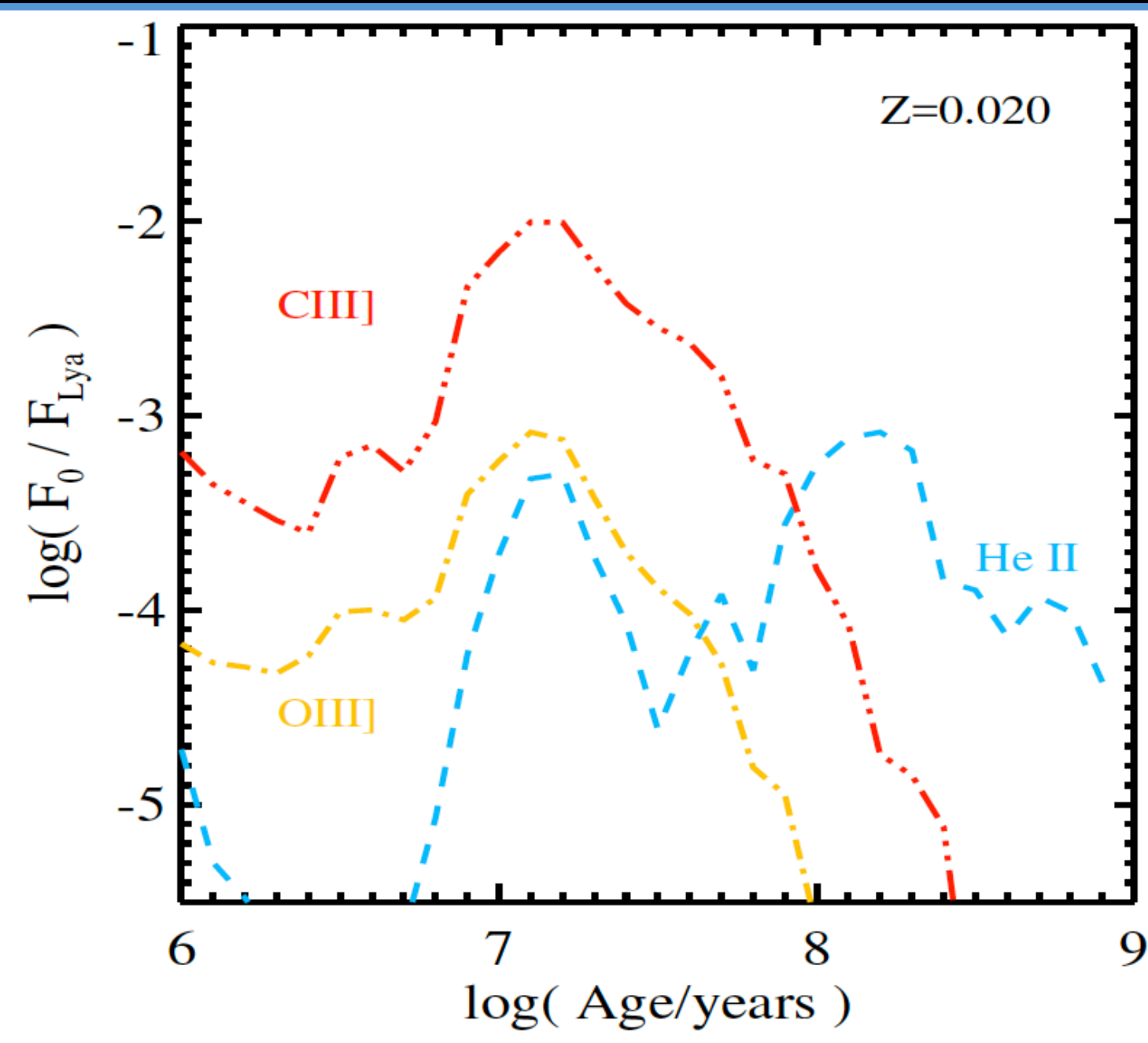
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**and in more moderate systems...**

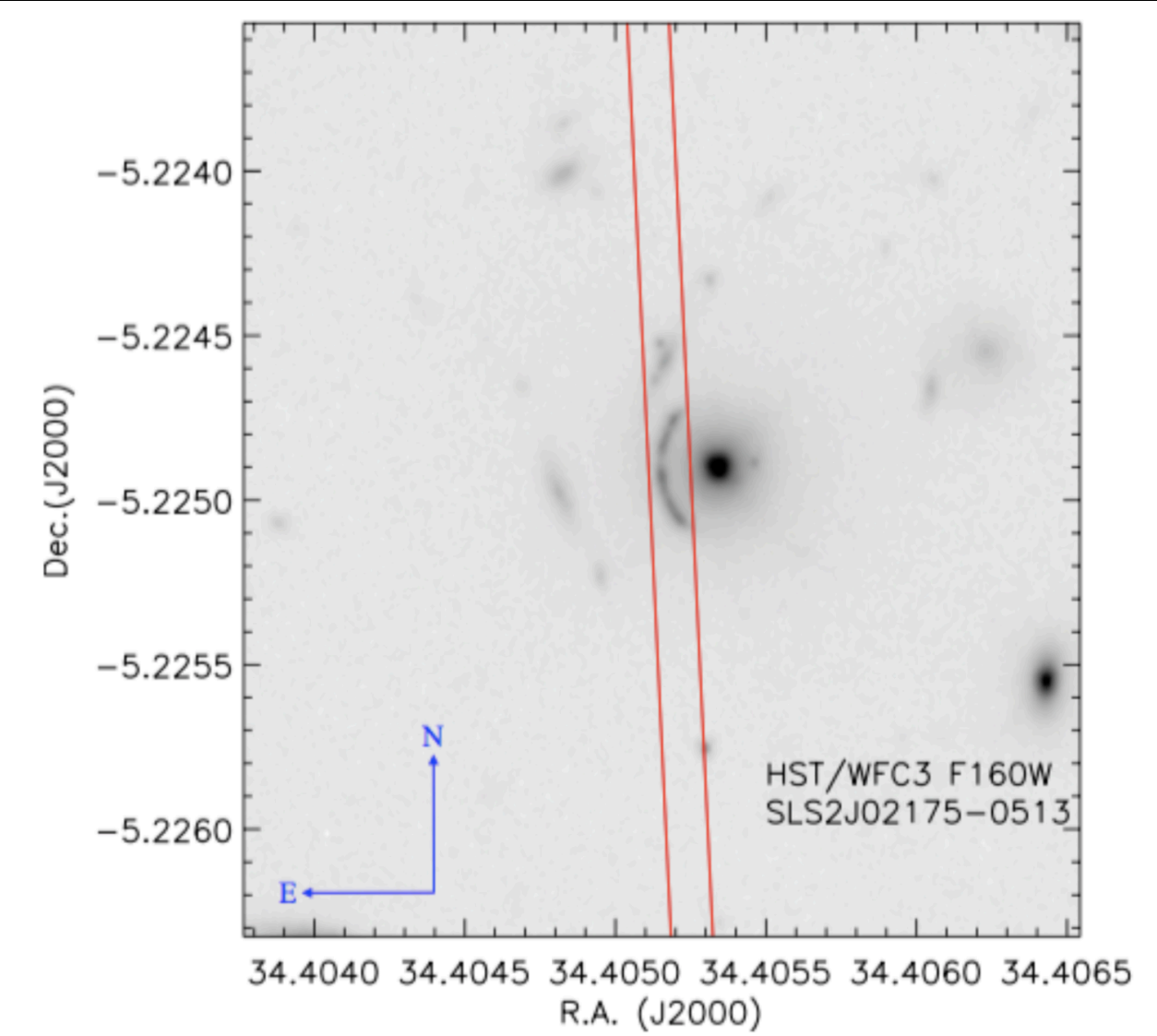
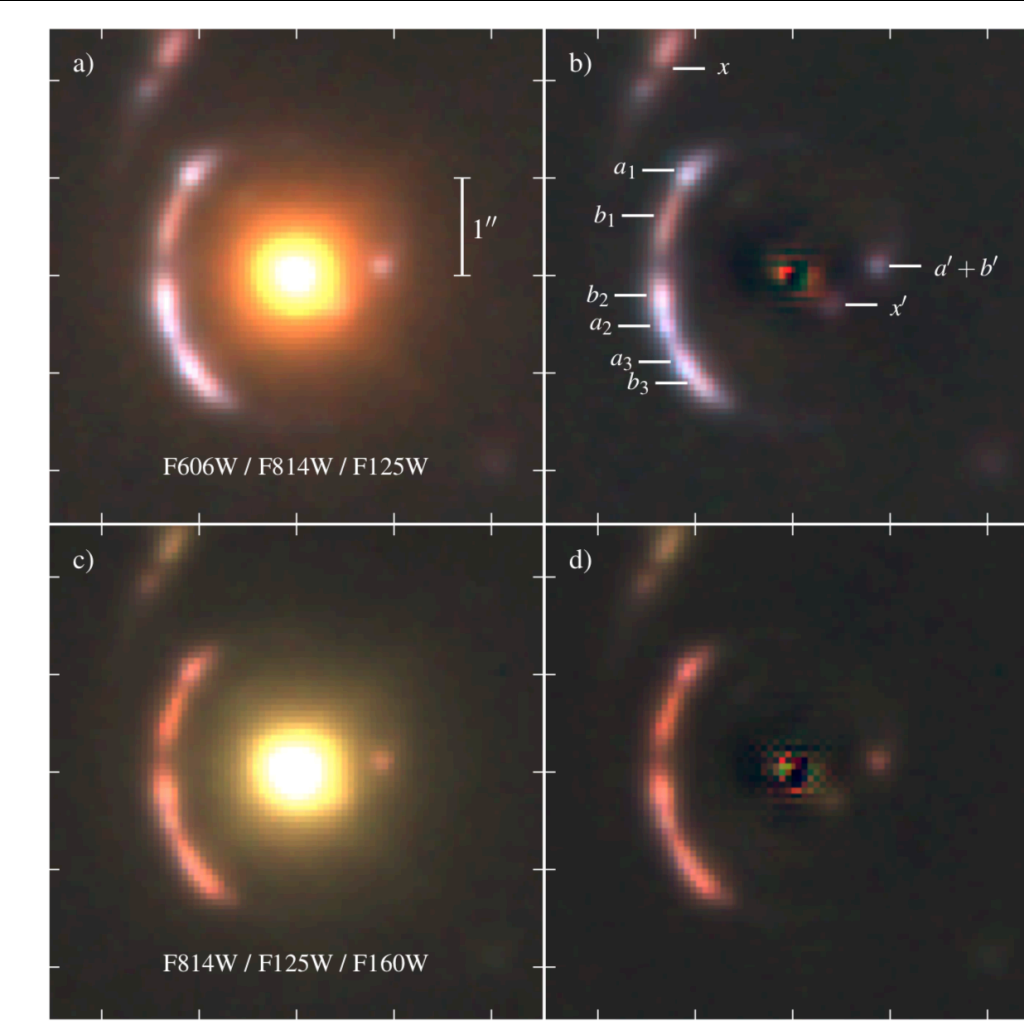
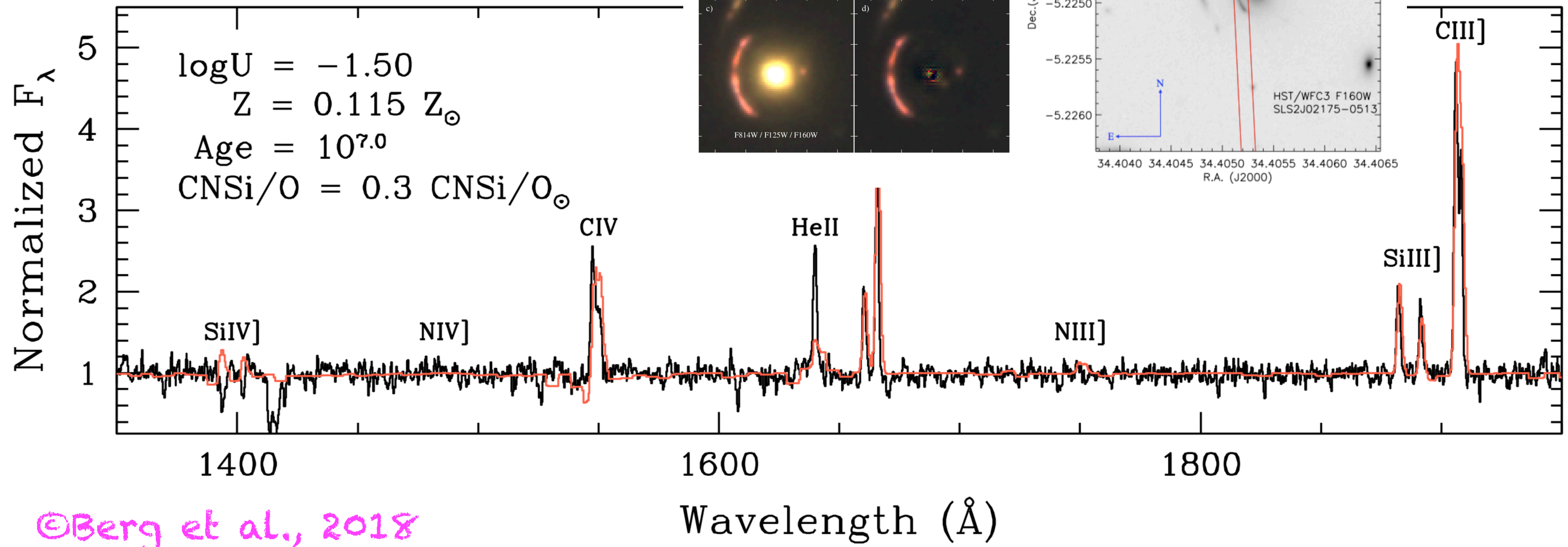


**He II may  
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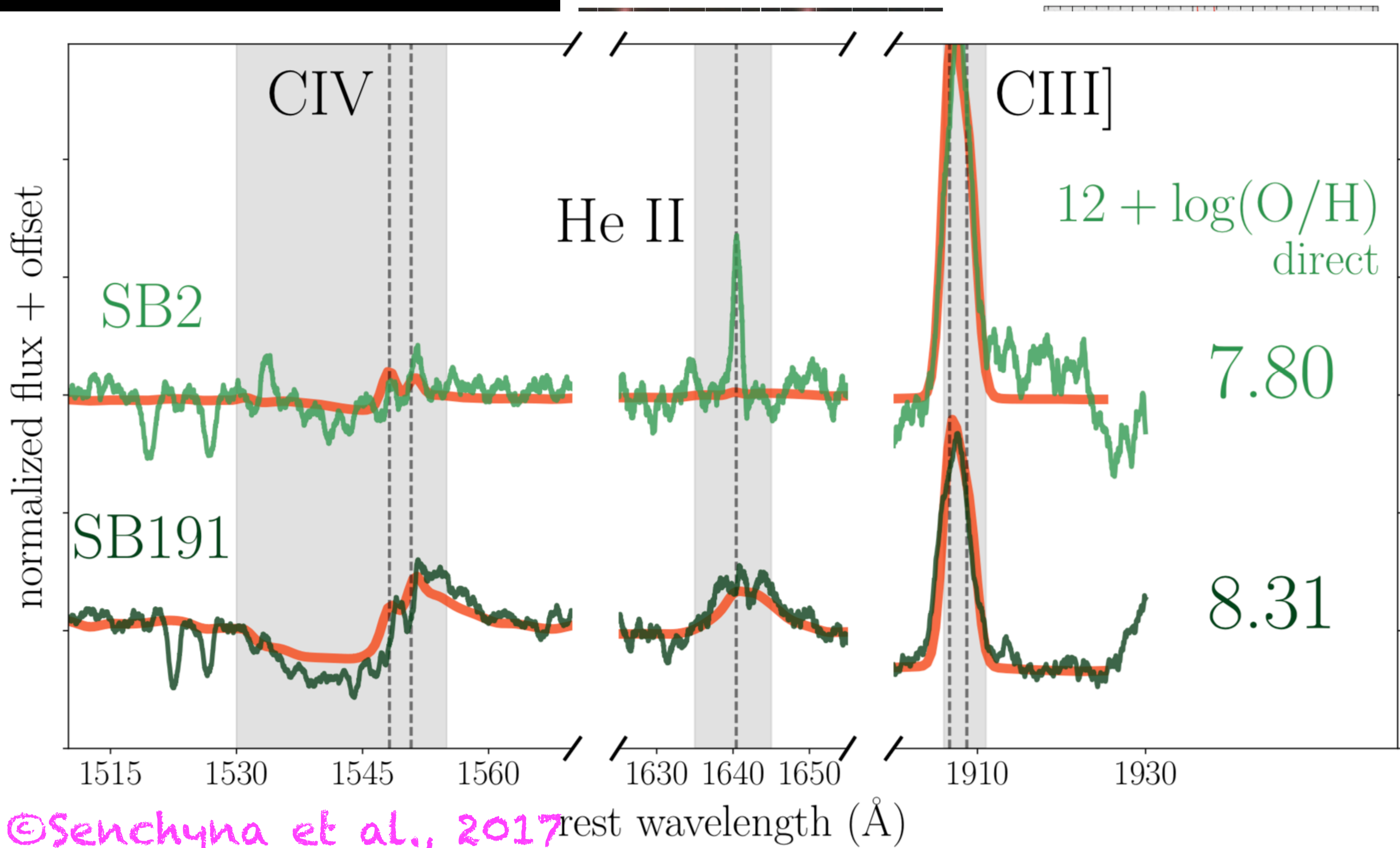
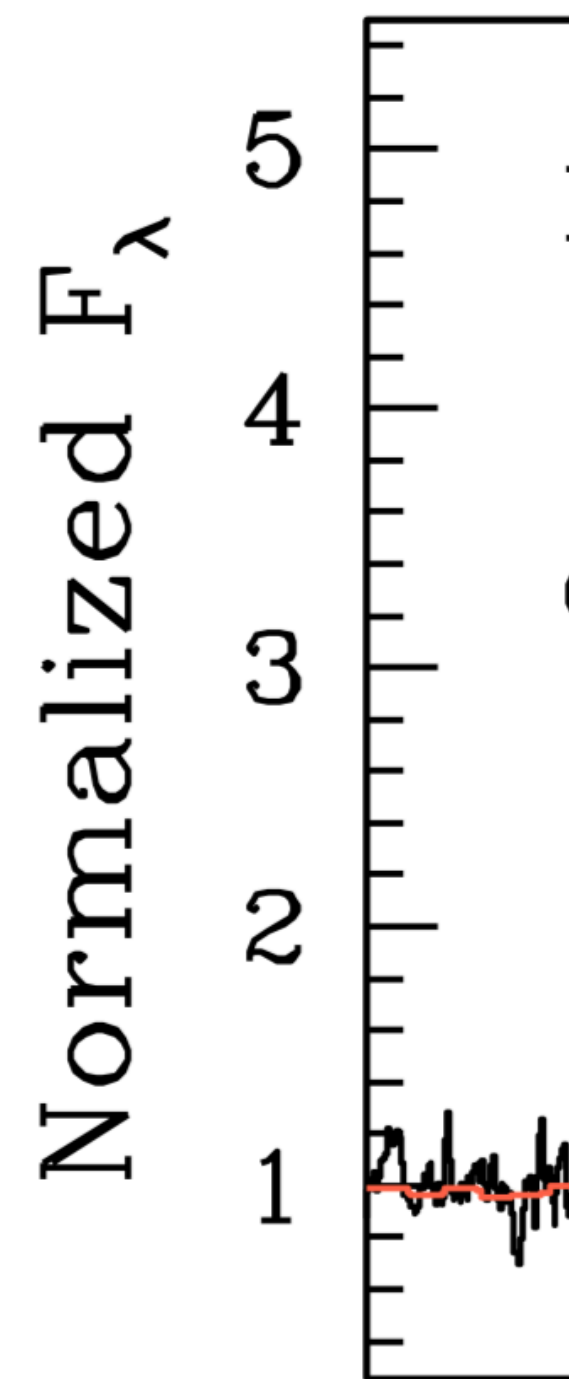


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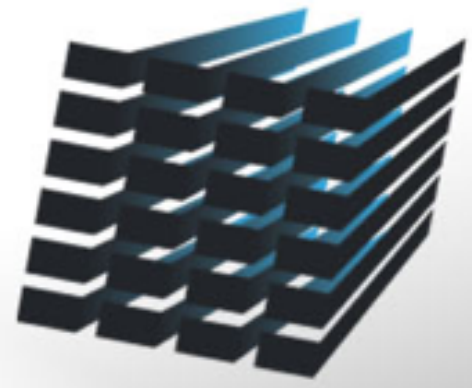
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# He<sup>+</sup> ionising photons can be produced via multiple mechanisms, so some solutions include:

- Decrease Z/mass threshold to produce W-R stars  Binaries  
VMS
- Include contribution from X-Ray Binaries  XRB population synthesis
- Increase N of Young massive stars  IMF variations
- Consider contributions from Shocks and AGN  Sub-dominant AGN

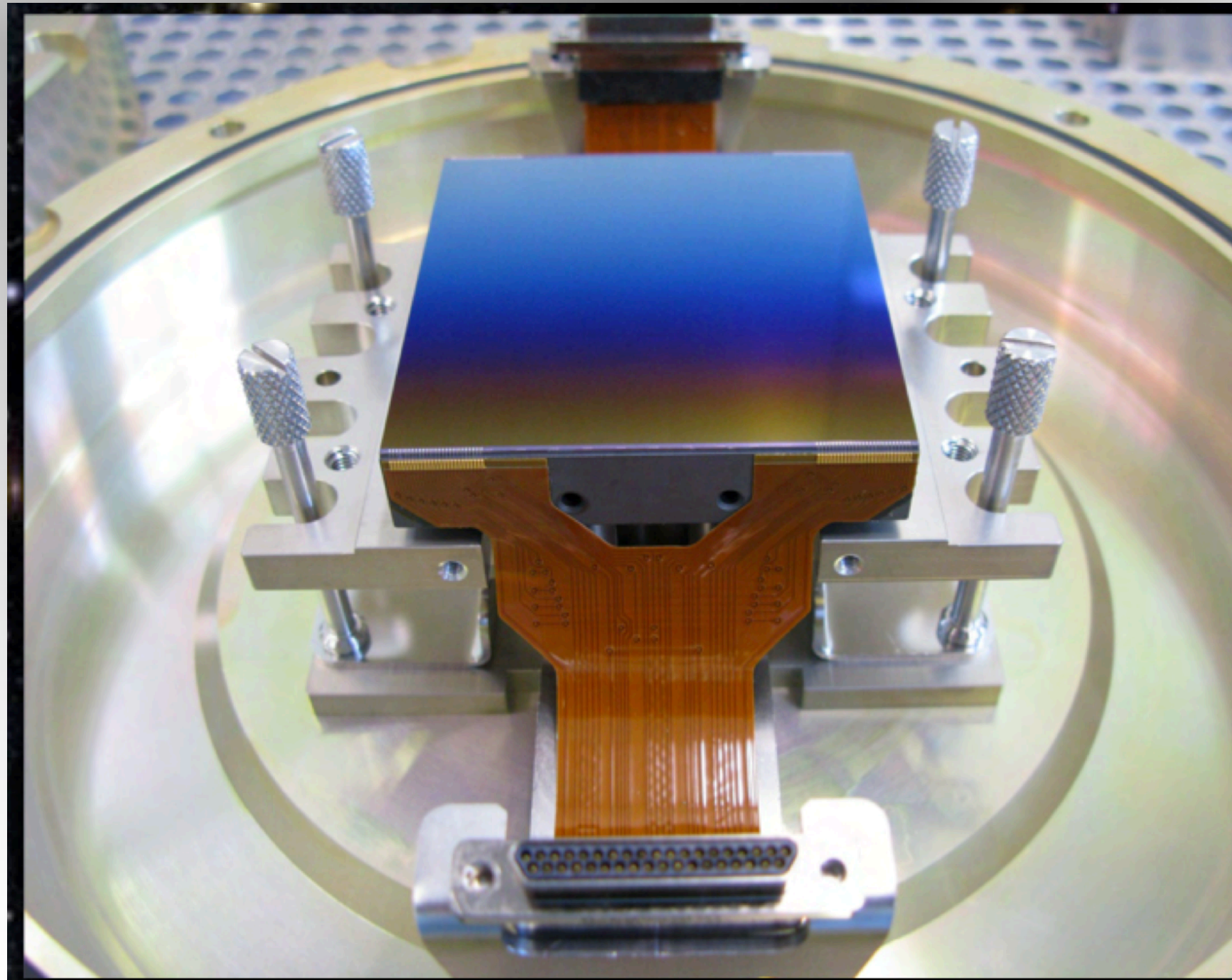
# Testing these models and providing constraints requires Helium emitters in a variety of conditions



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# Part I: Sample Construction

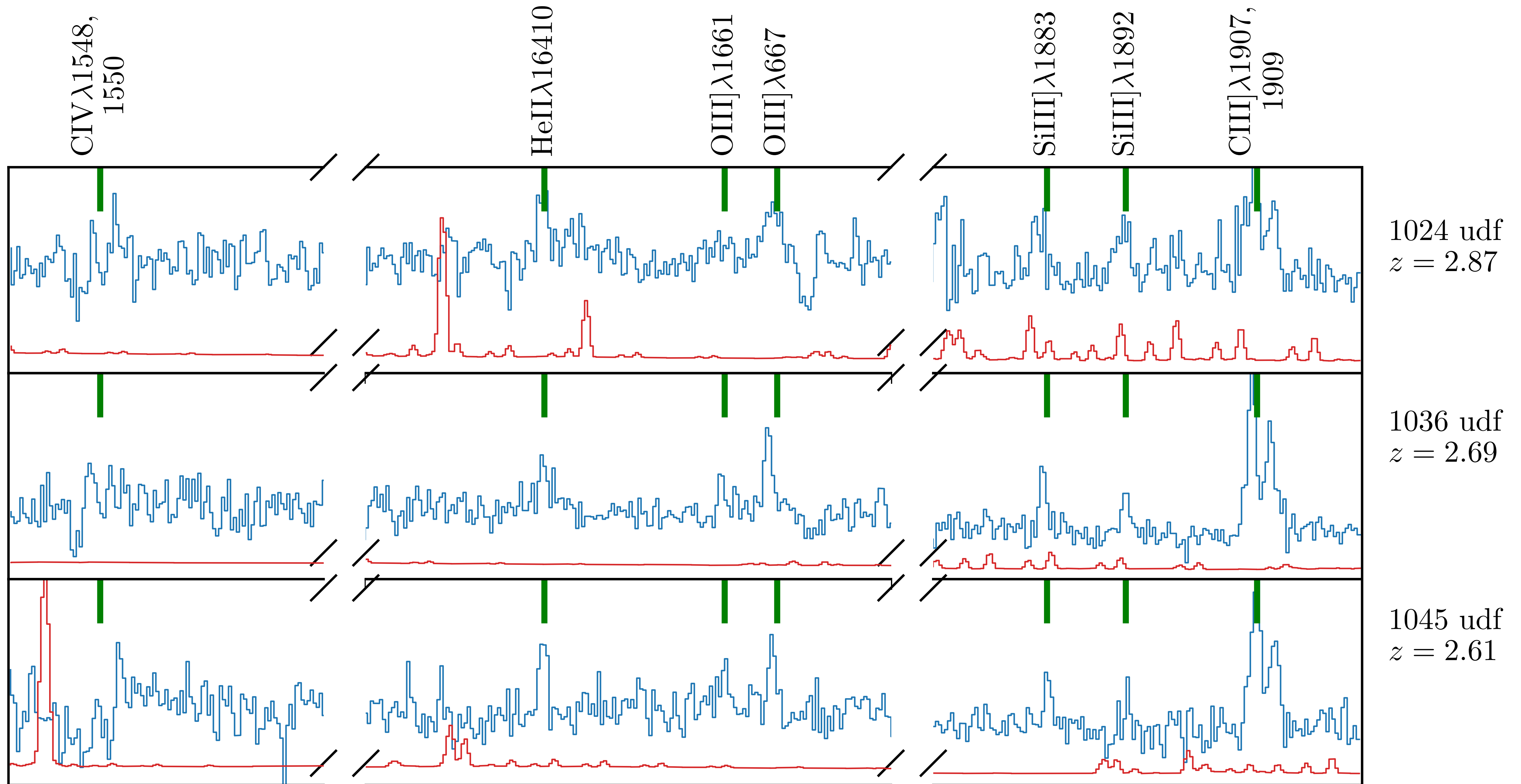
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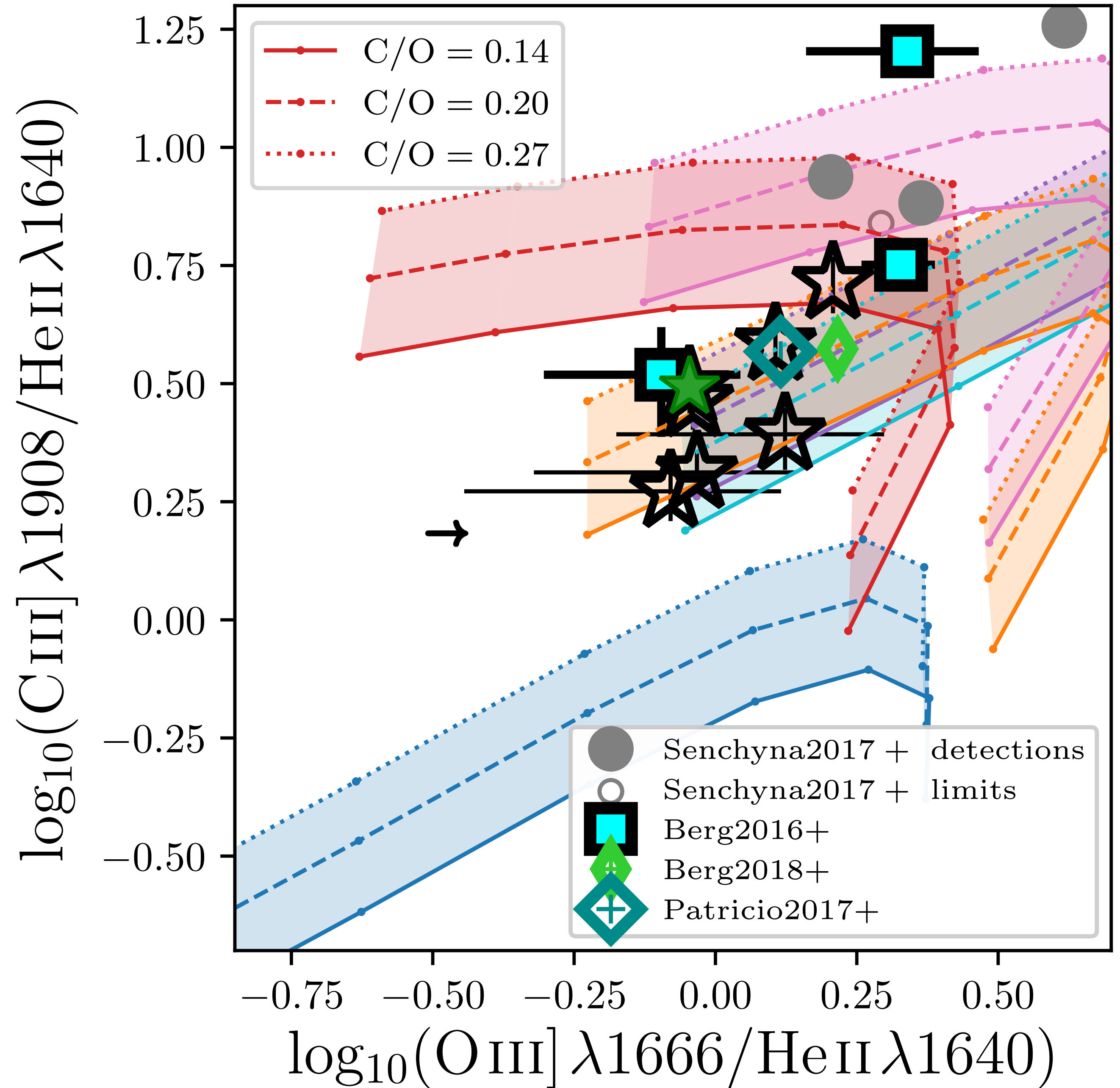




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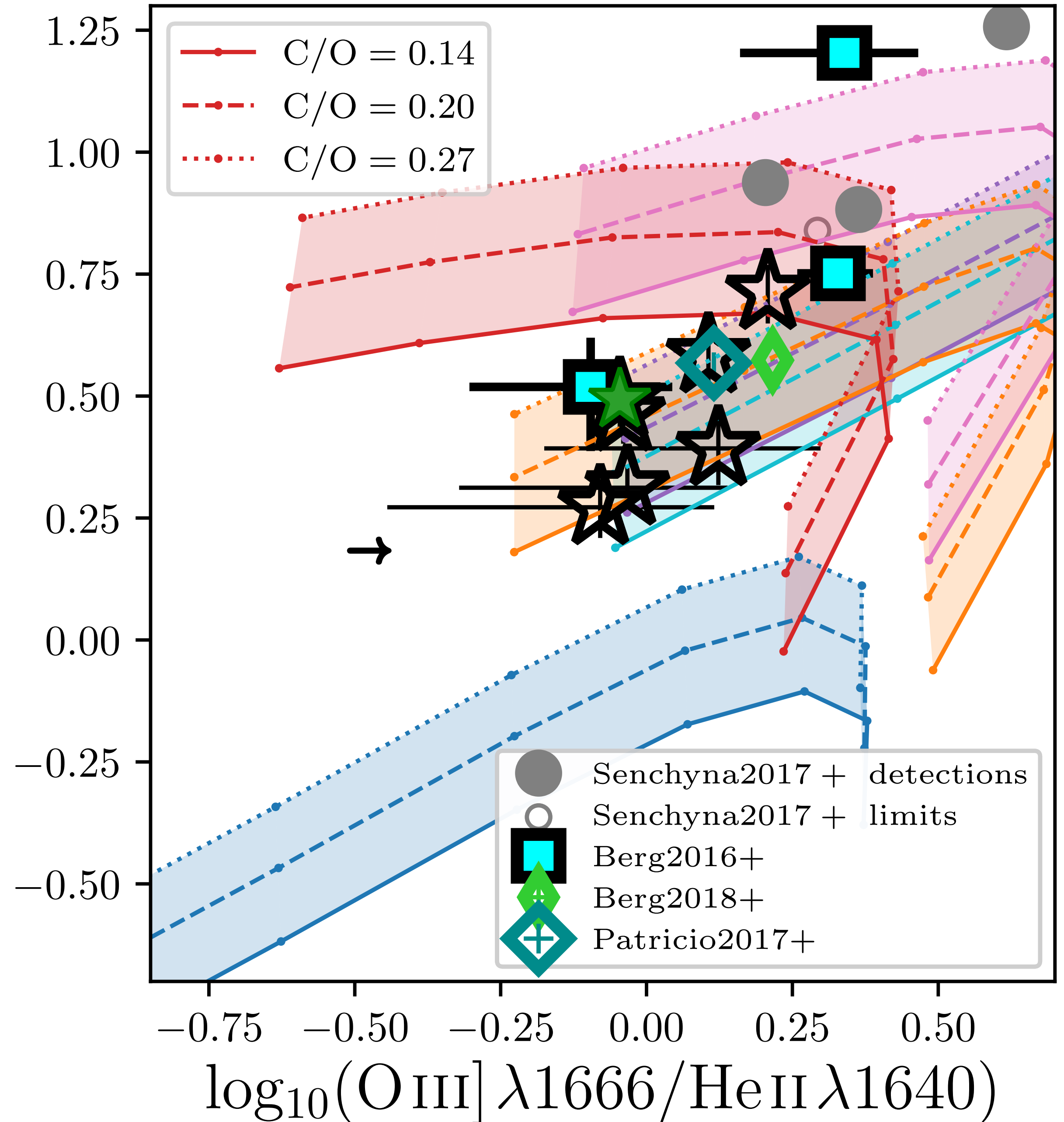
**note:**

- a large variety in model parameters
- only single stars

Parameter	Sampled values
$Z_{\text{ISM}}$	0.0001, 0.0002, 0.0005, 0.001, 0.002, 0.004, 0.006, 0.008, 0.010, 0.014, 0.017, 0.020, 0.030, 0.040
$\log U_s$	-1.0, -1.5, -2.0, -2.5, -3.0, -3.5, -4.0
$\xi_d$	0.1, 0.3, 0.5
$\log(n_{\text{H}}/\text{cm}^{-3})$	1, 2, 3, 4
$(\text{C/O})/(\text{C/O})_{\odot}$	0.10, 0.14, 0.20, 0.27, 0.38, 0.52, 0.72, 1.00, 1.40
$m_{\text{up}}/M_{\odot}$	100, 300

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$\log_{10}(\text{C III}] \lambda 1908 / \text{He II } \lambda 1640)$



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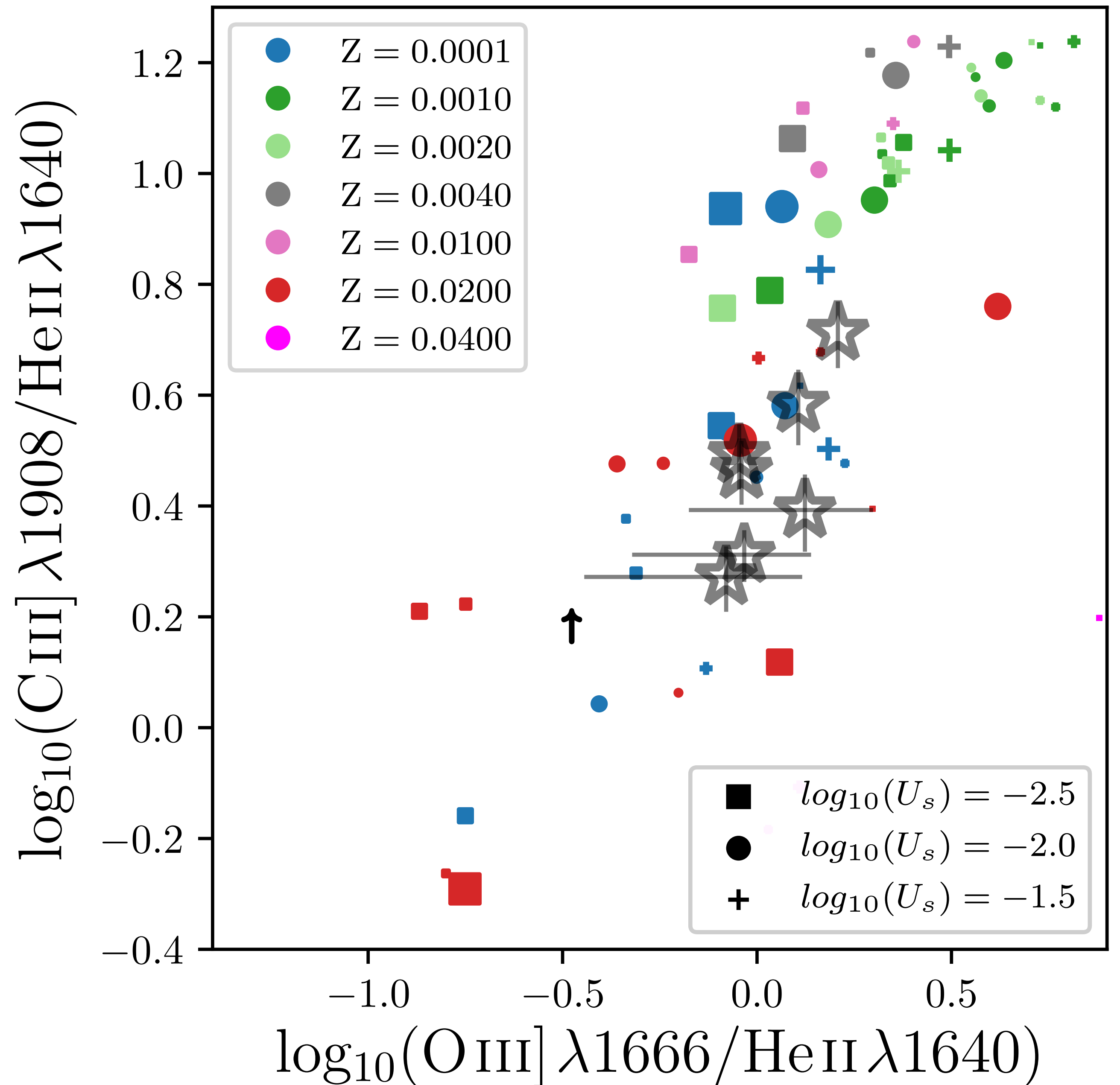
Considering effects of binary stars introduces added complexity to the line ratio diagnostics.

Models from BPASSv2.0

Xiao+2018

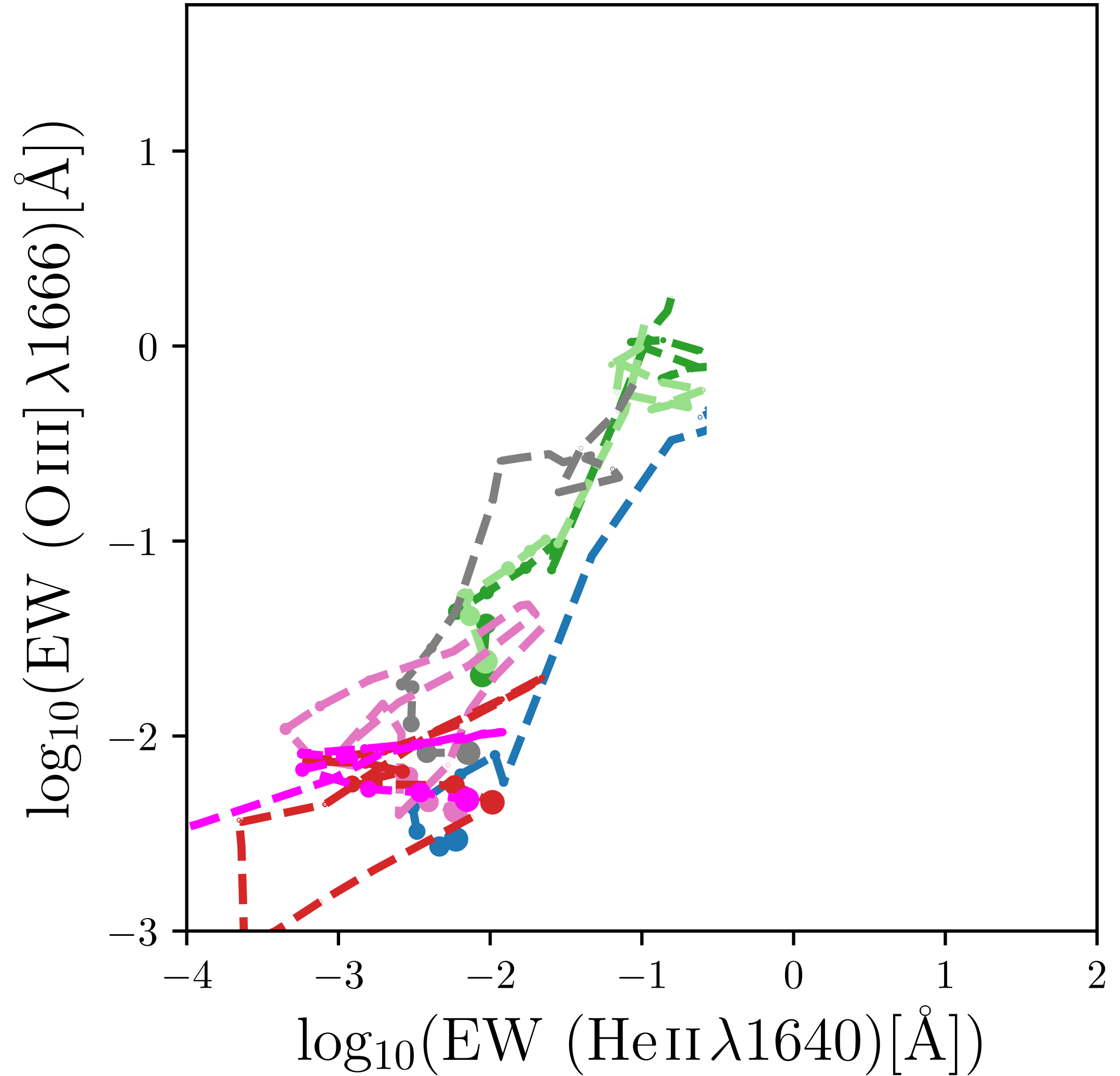
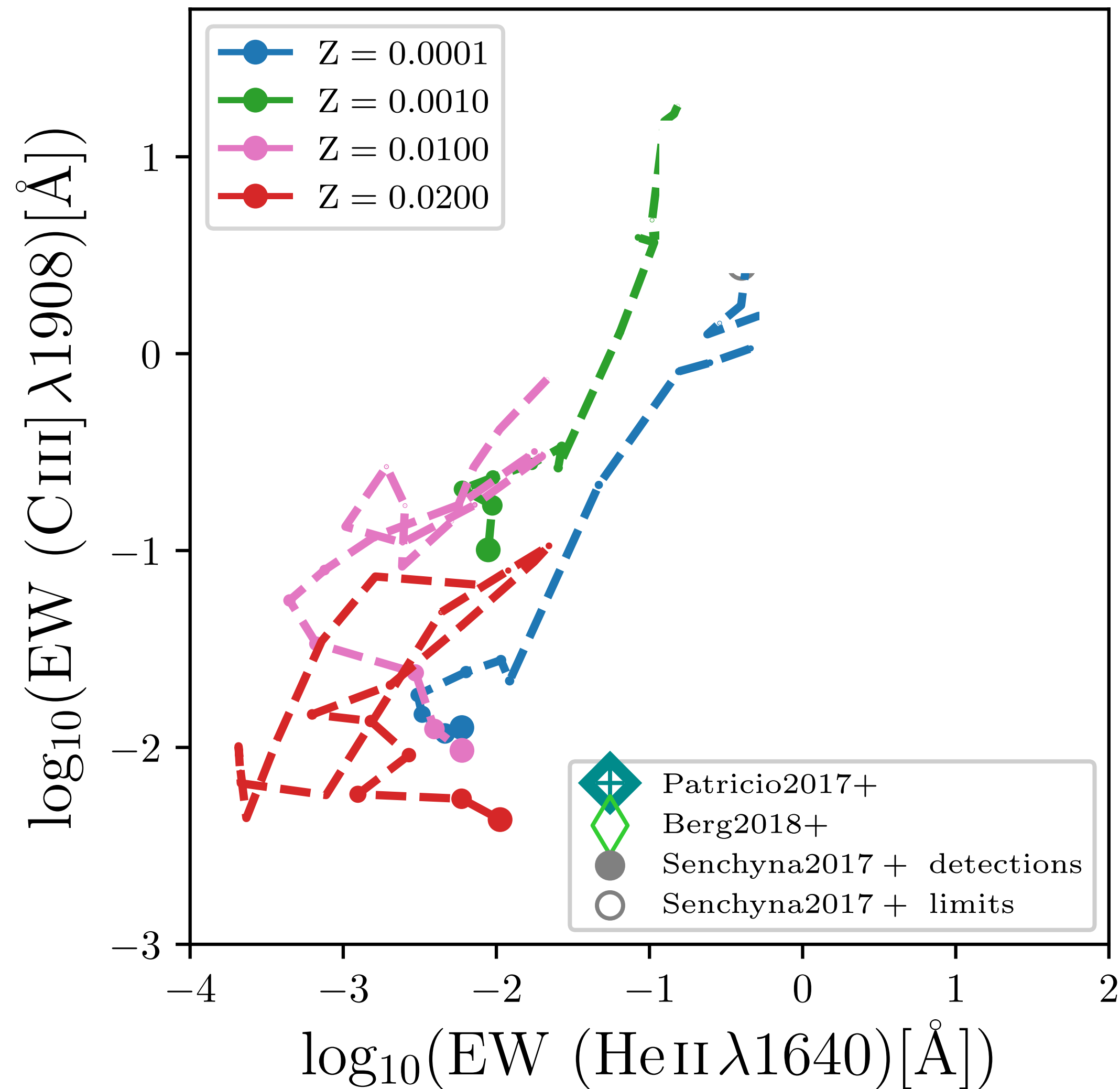
note:

- dust effects not considered

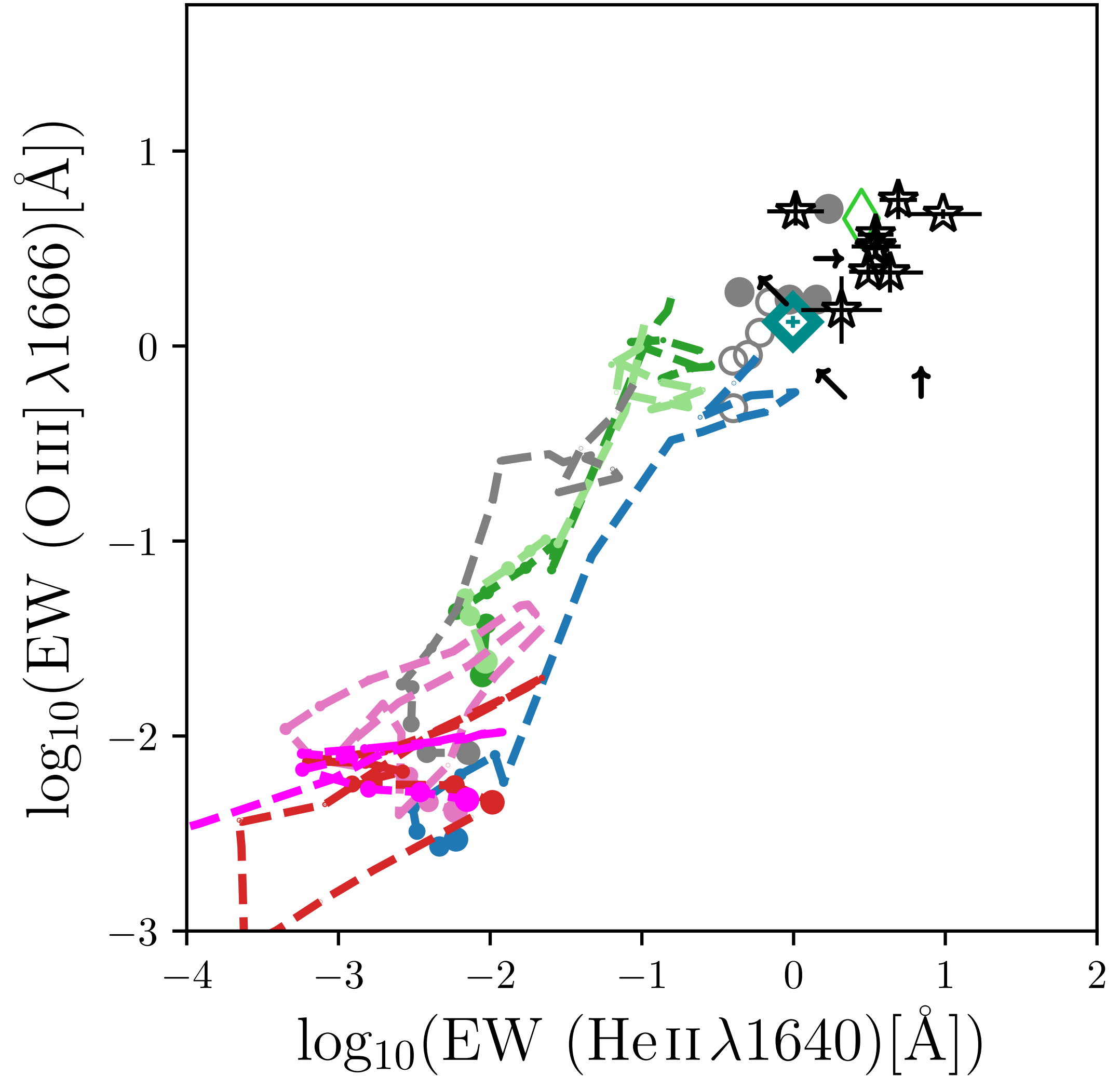
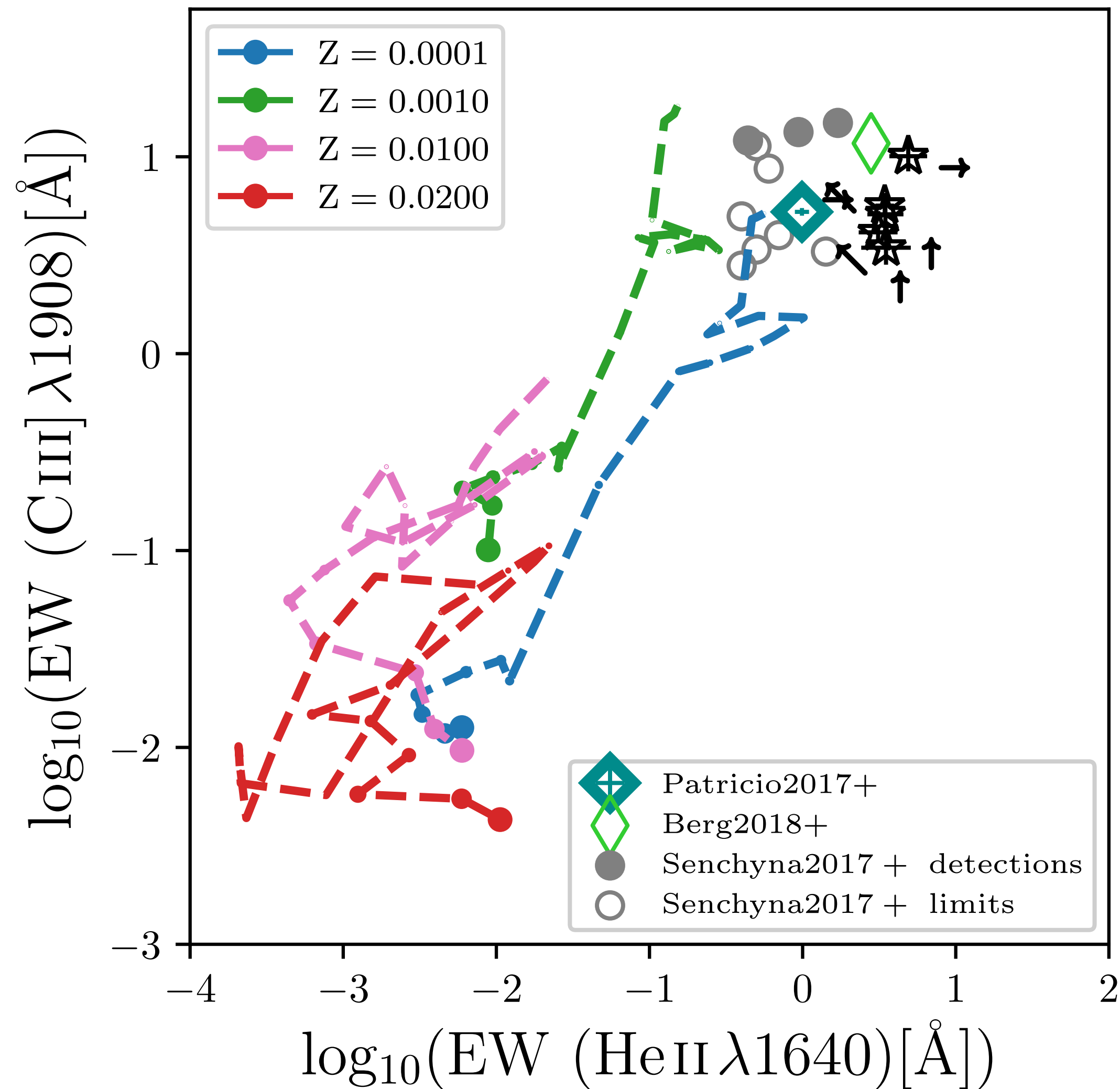


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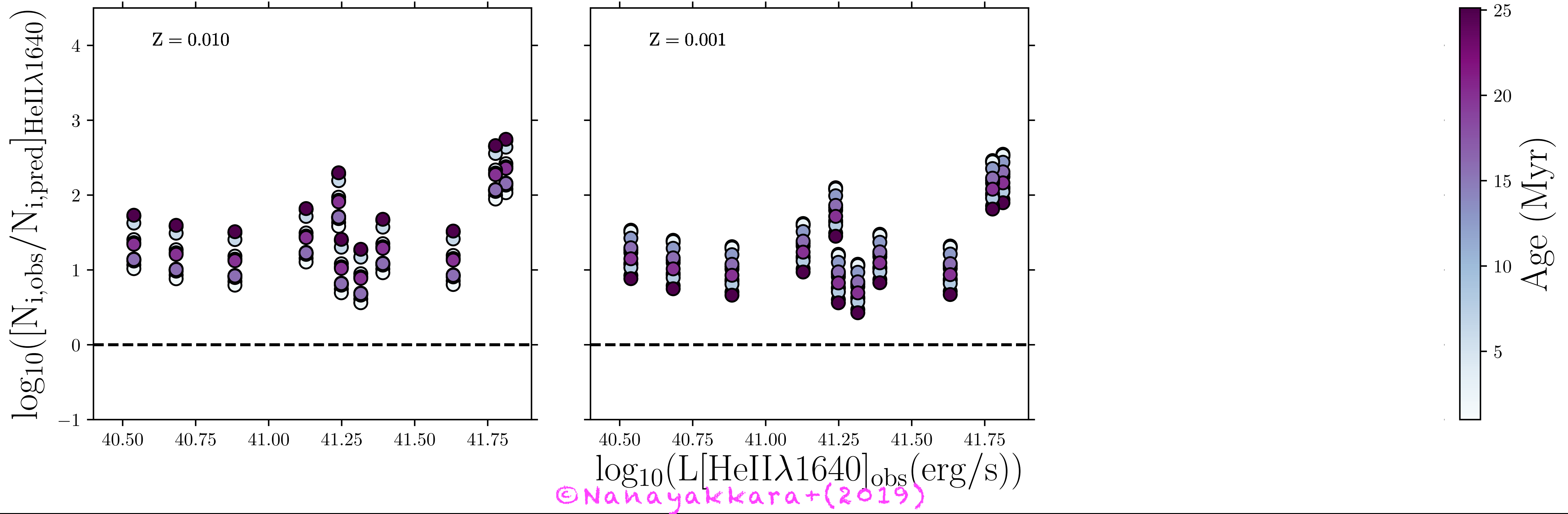
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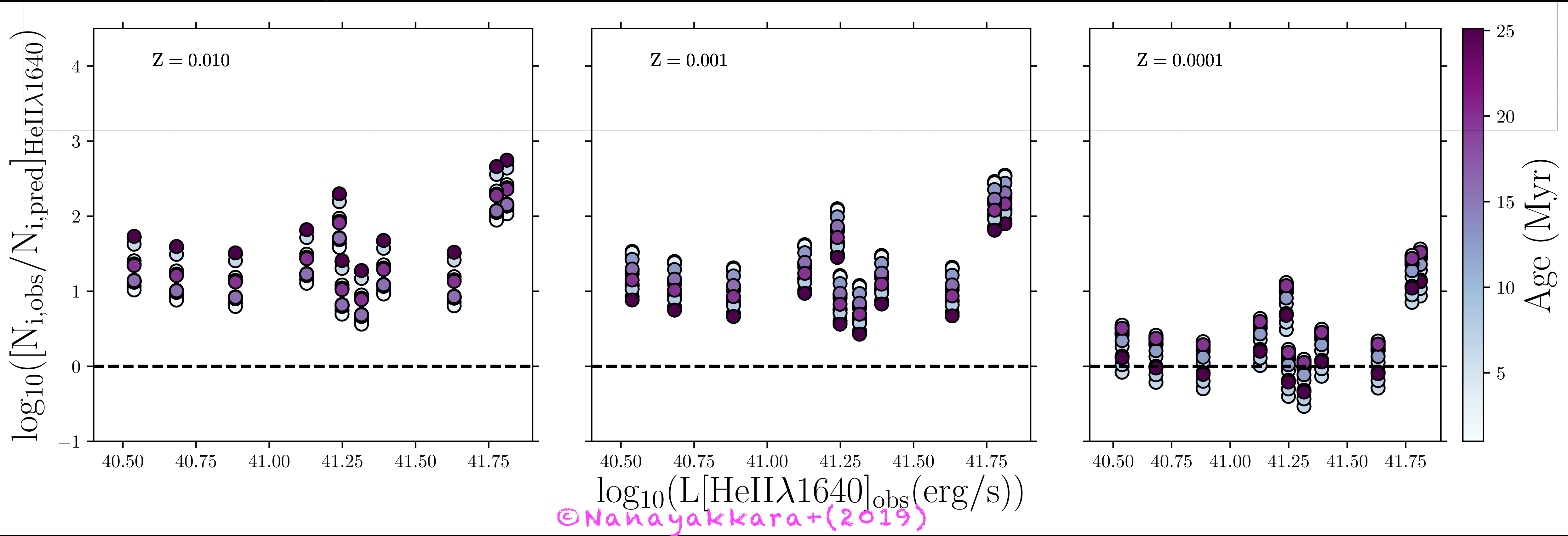


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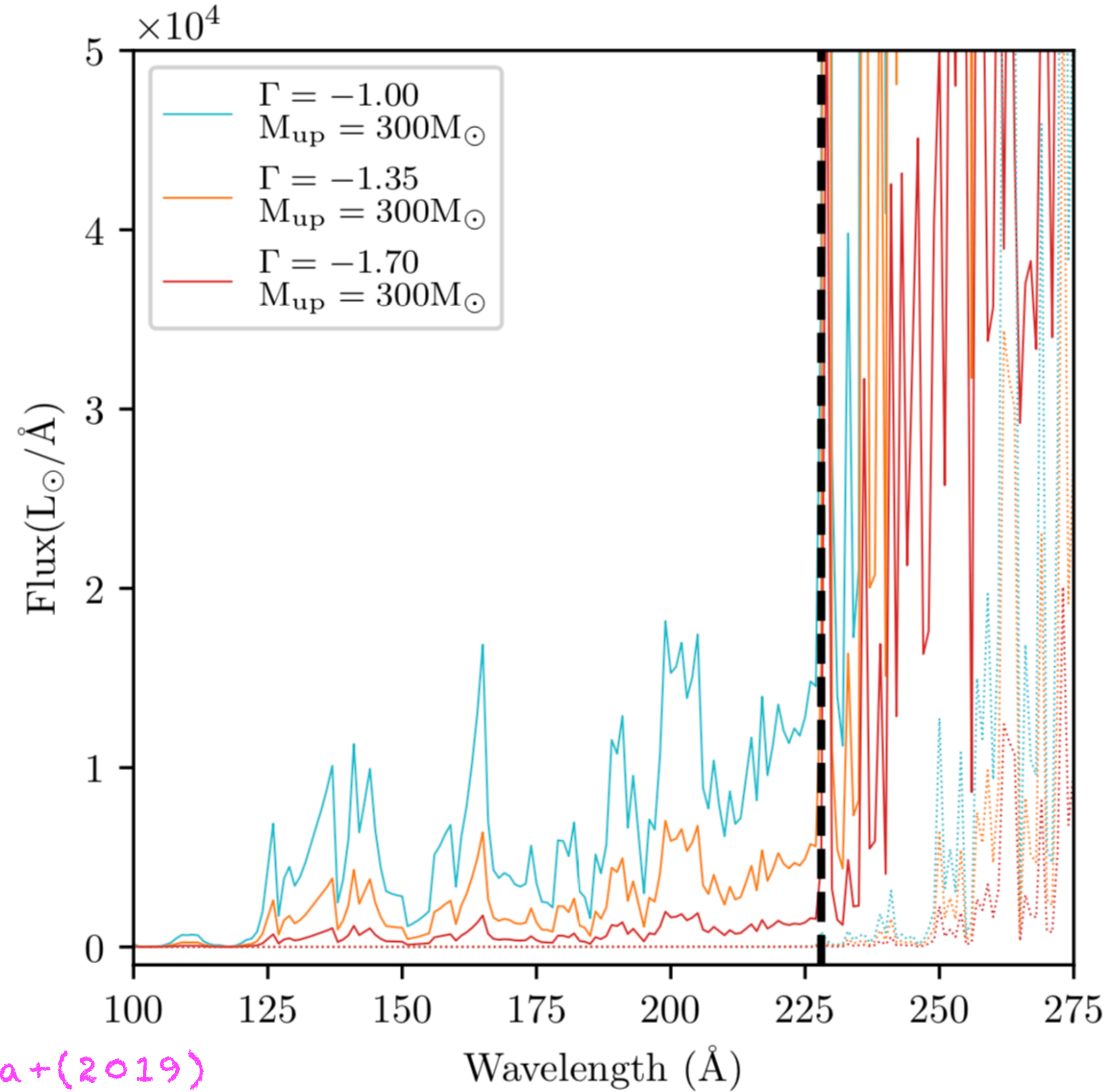
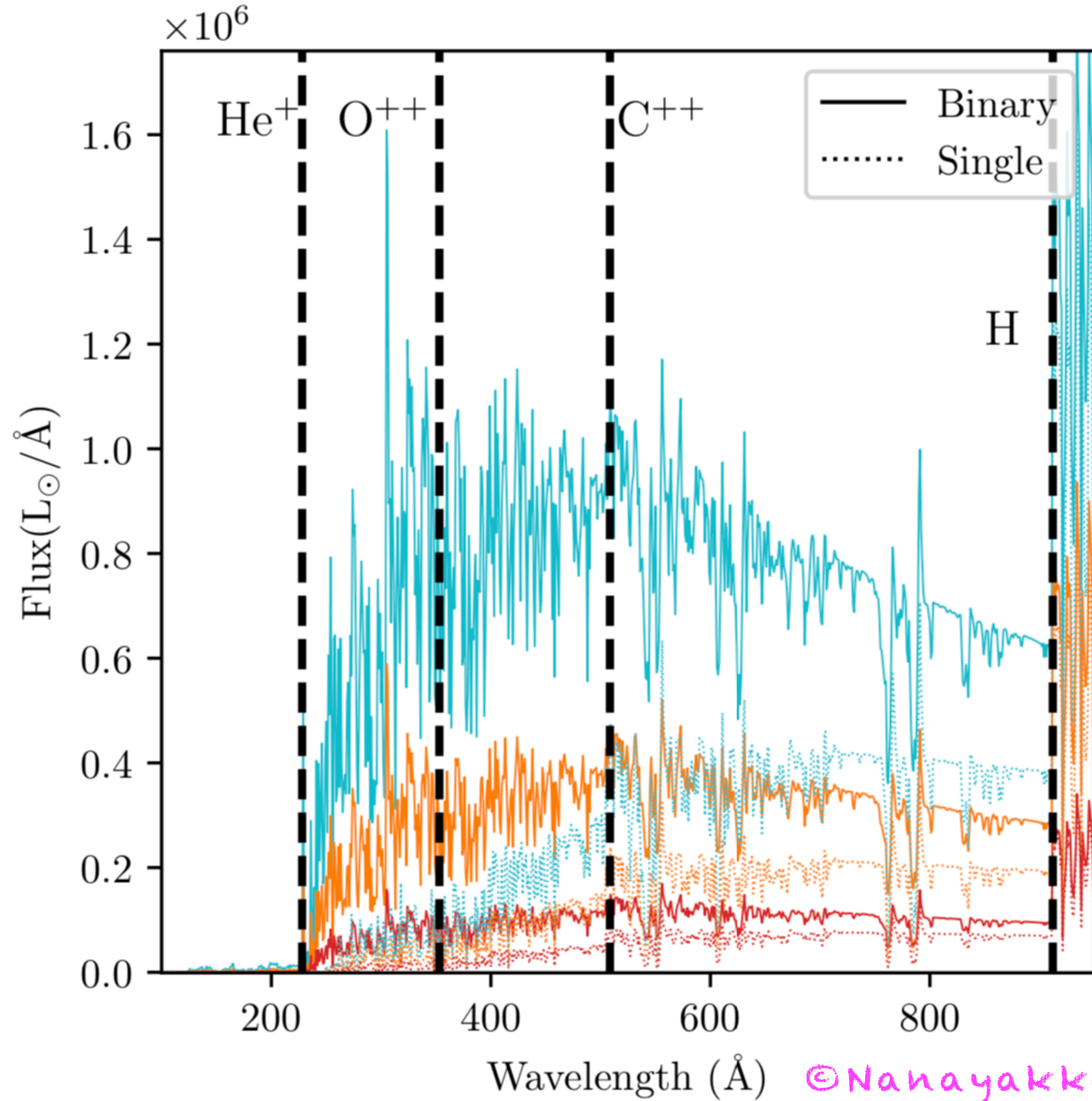


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This is in contrast to relatively higher metallicities inferred by line ratio diagnostics

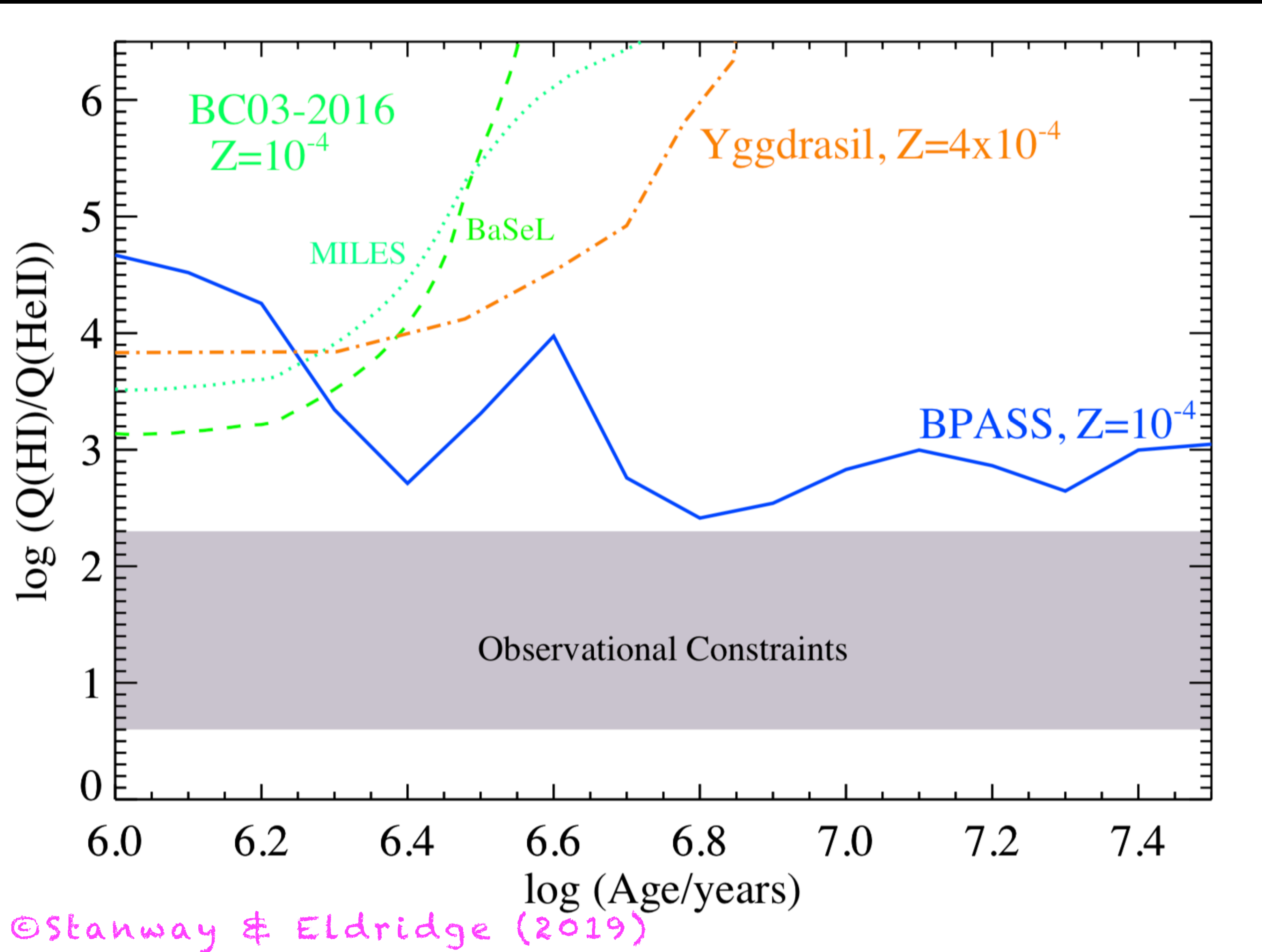


We lack a comprehensive understanding of stellar spectra in the FUV which may contribute to lack in mechanisms producing of  $E_{\text{photon}} > 54\text{eV}$



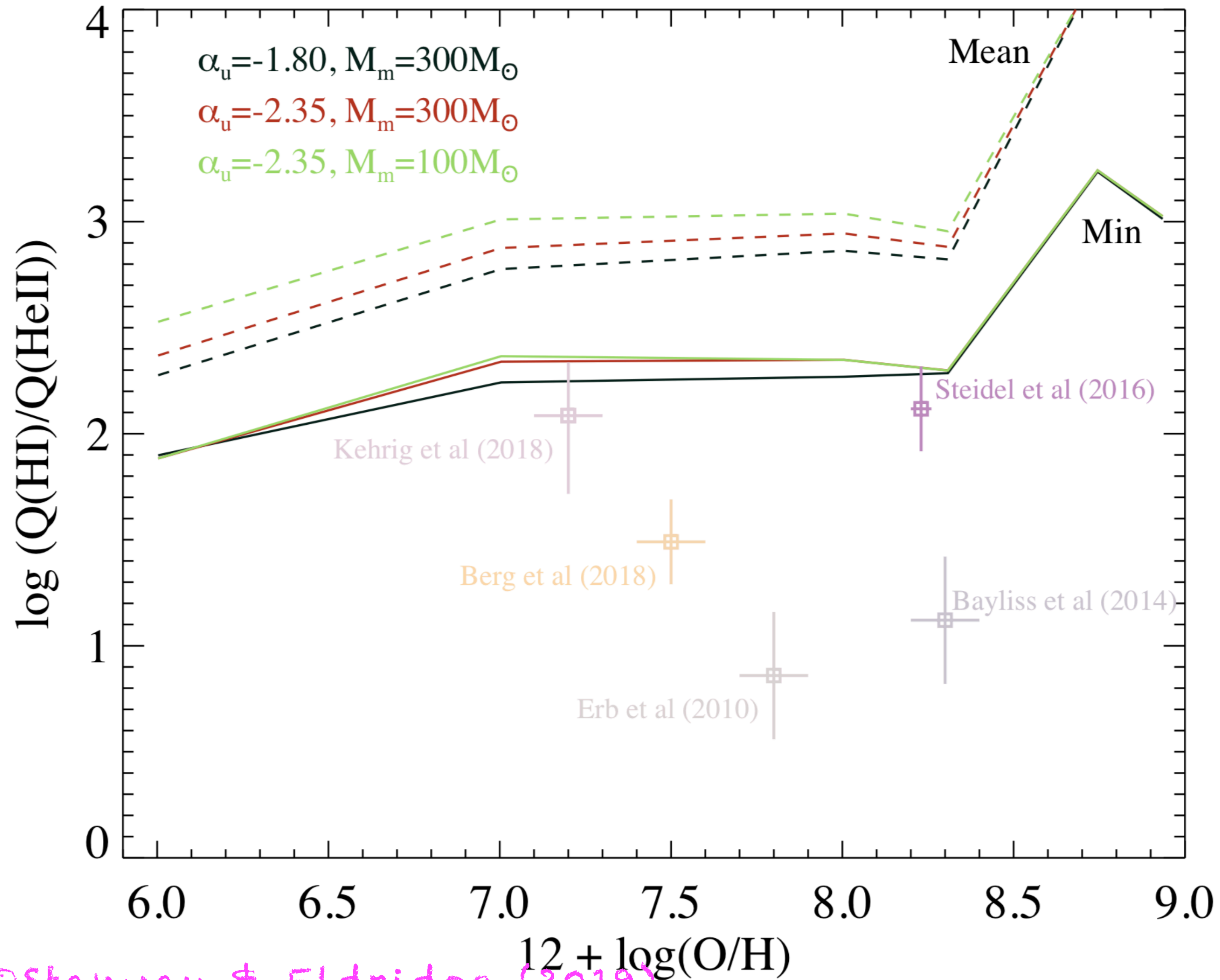
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# The lack of hard ionising photons is common for most stellar population models

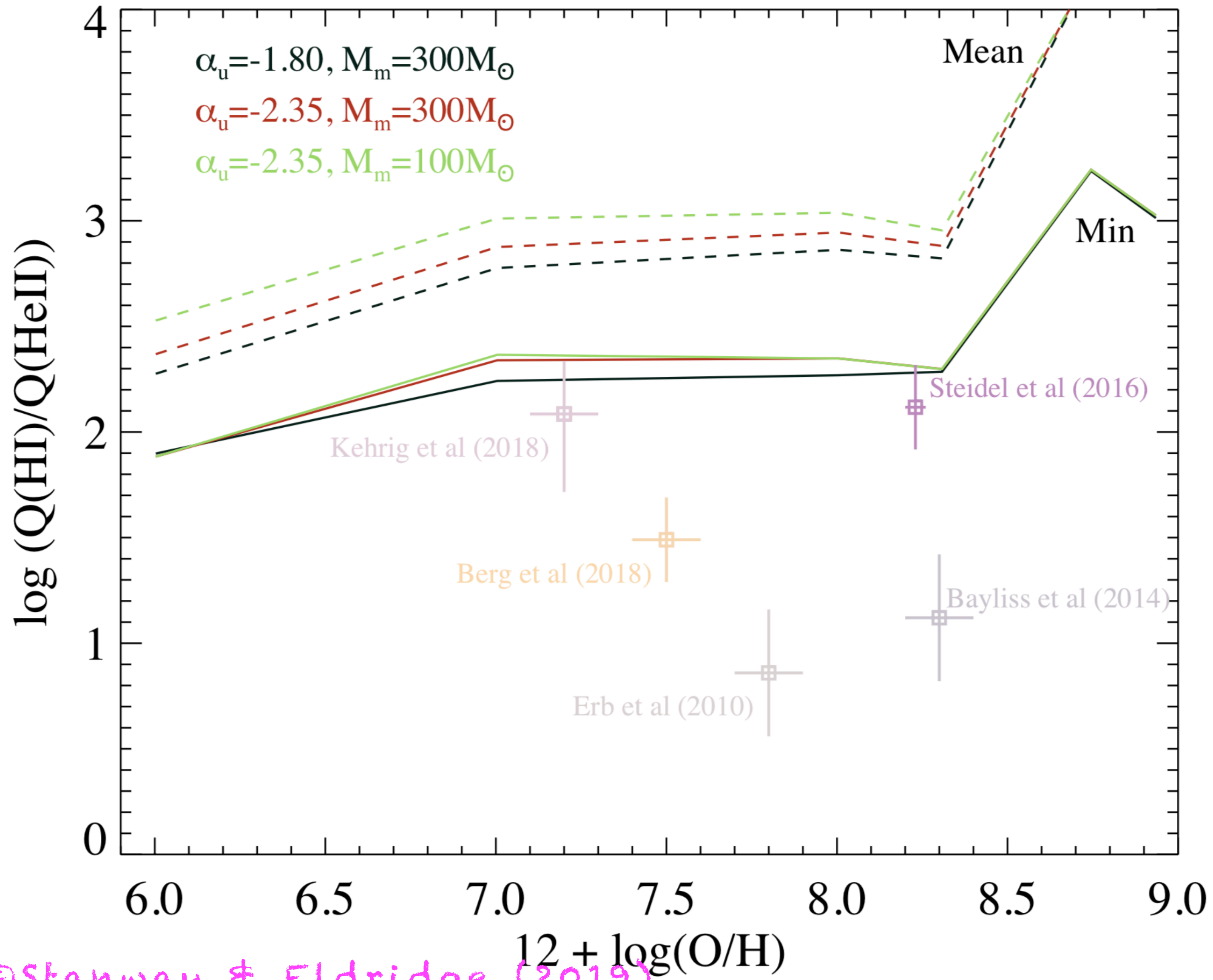


# **Part III: Where are the missing photons?**

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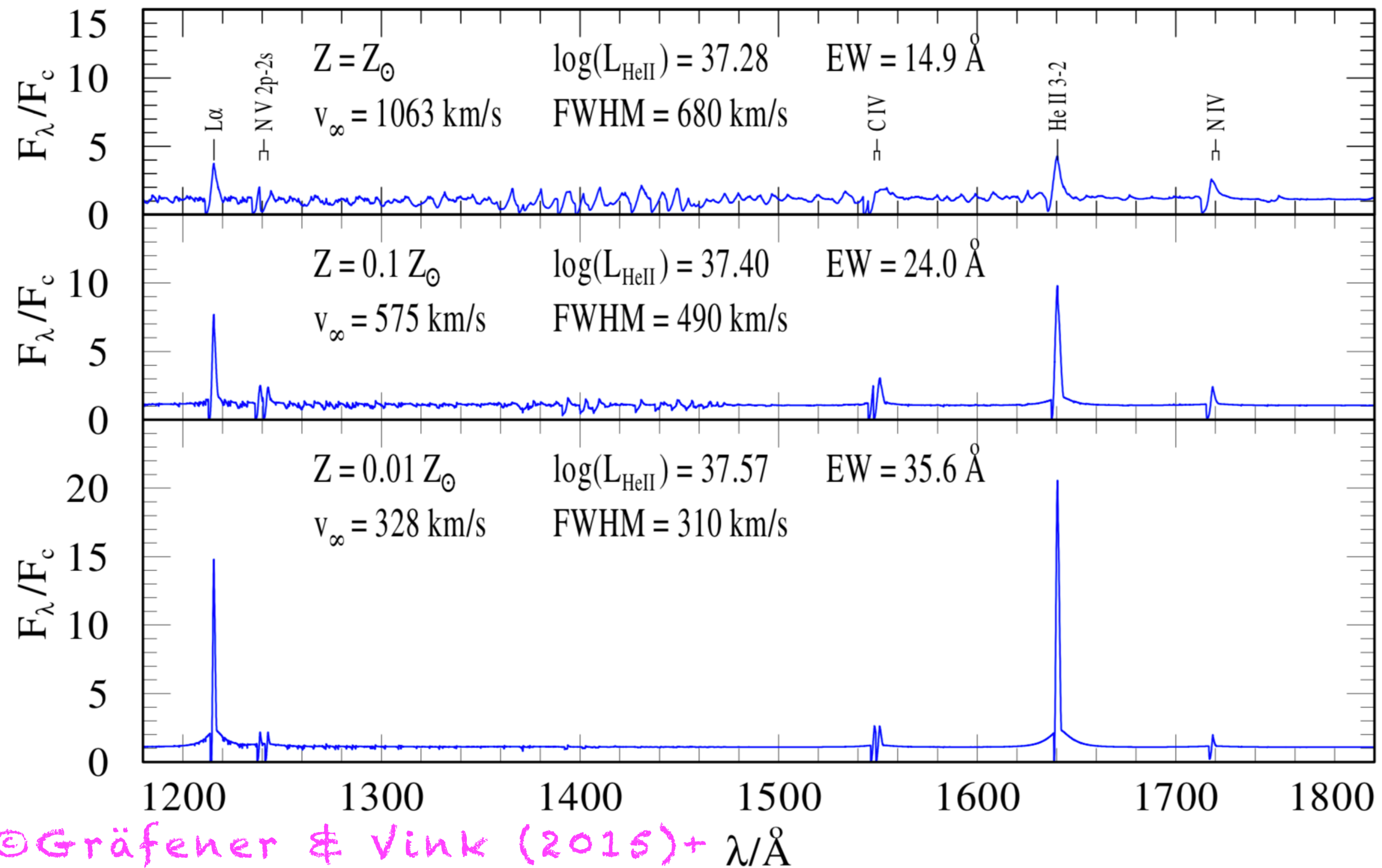


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In the context of BPASS even variations in the IMF has shown to NOT be sufficient to compensate for the missing photons

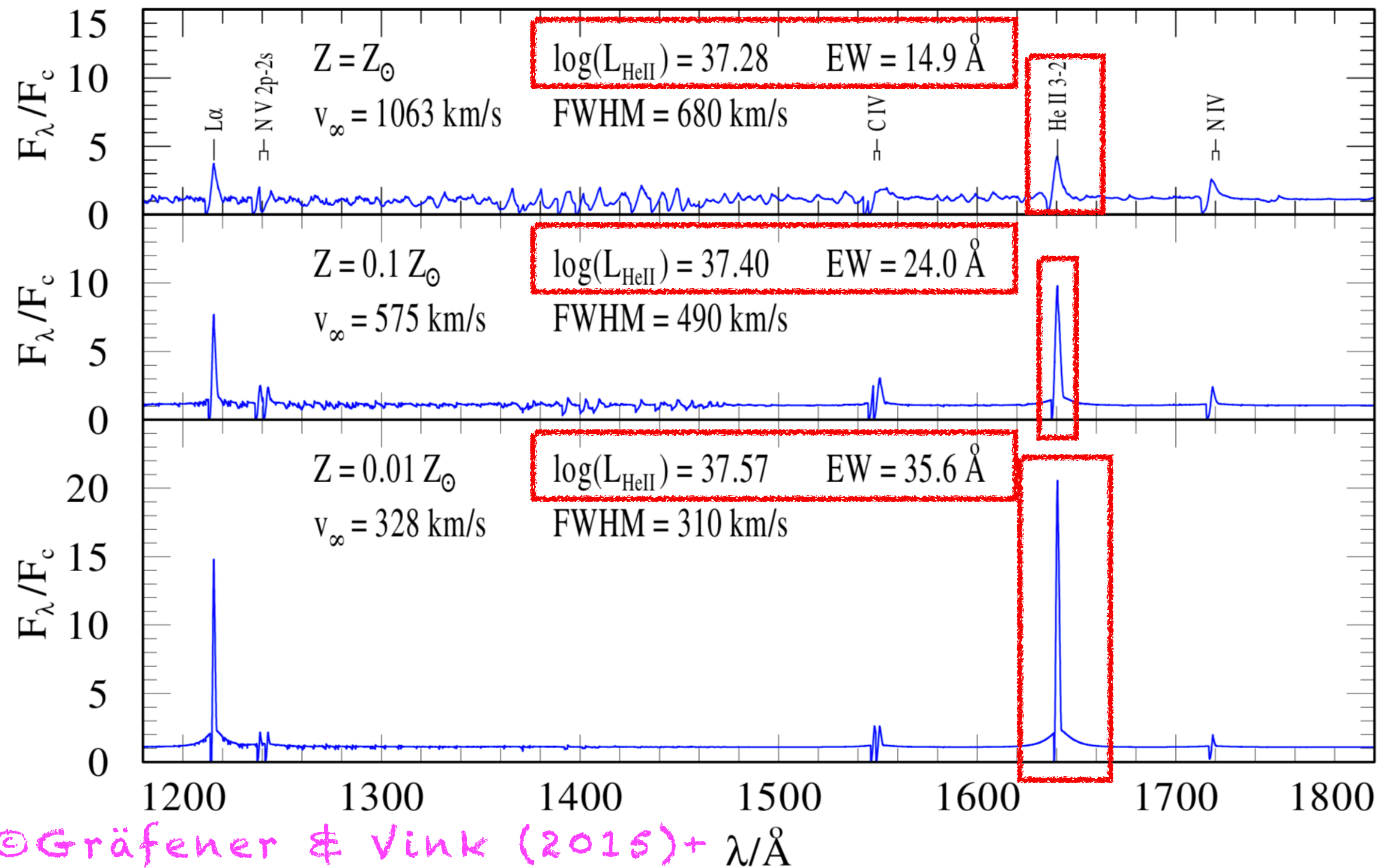
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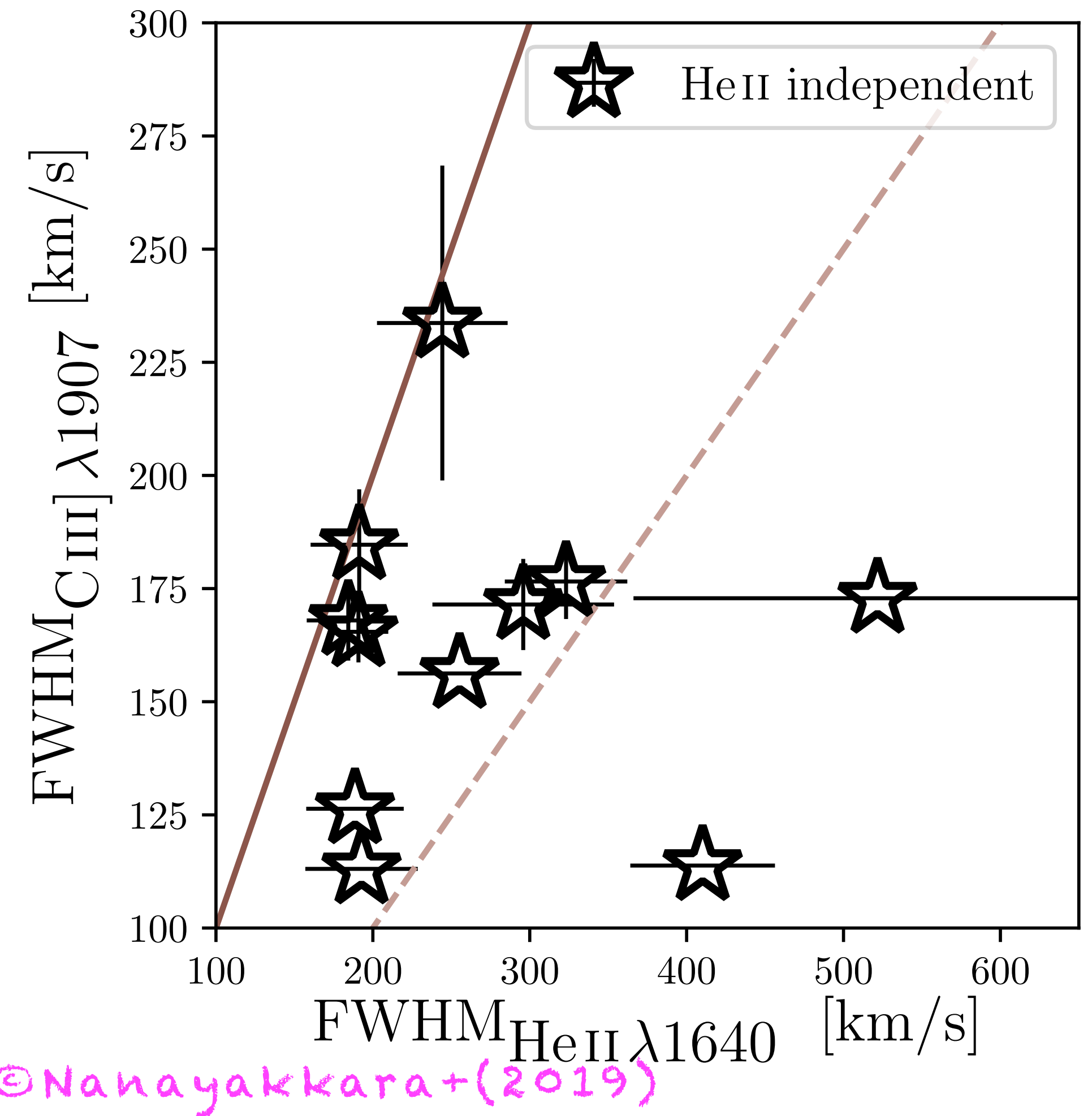
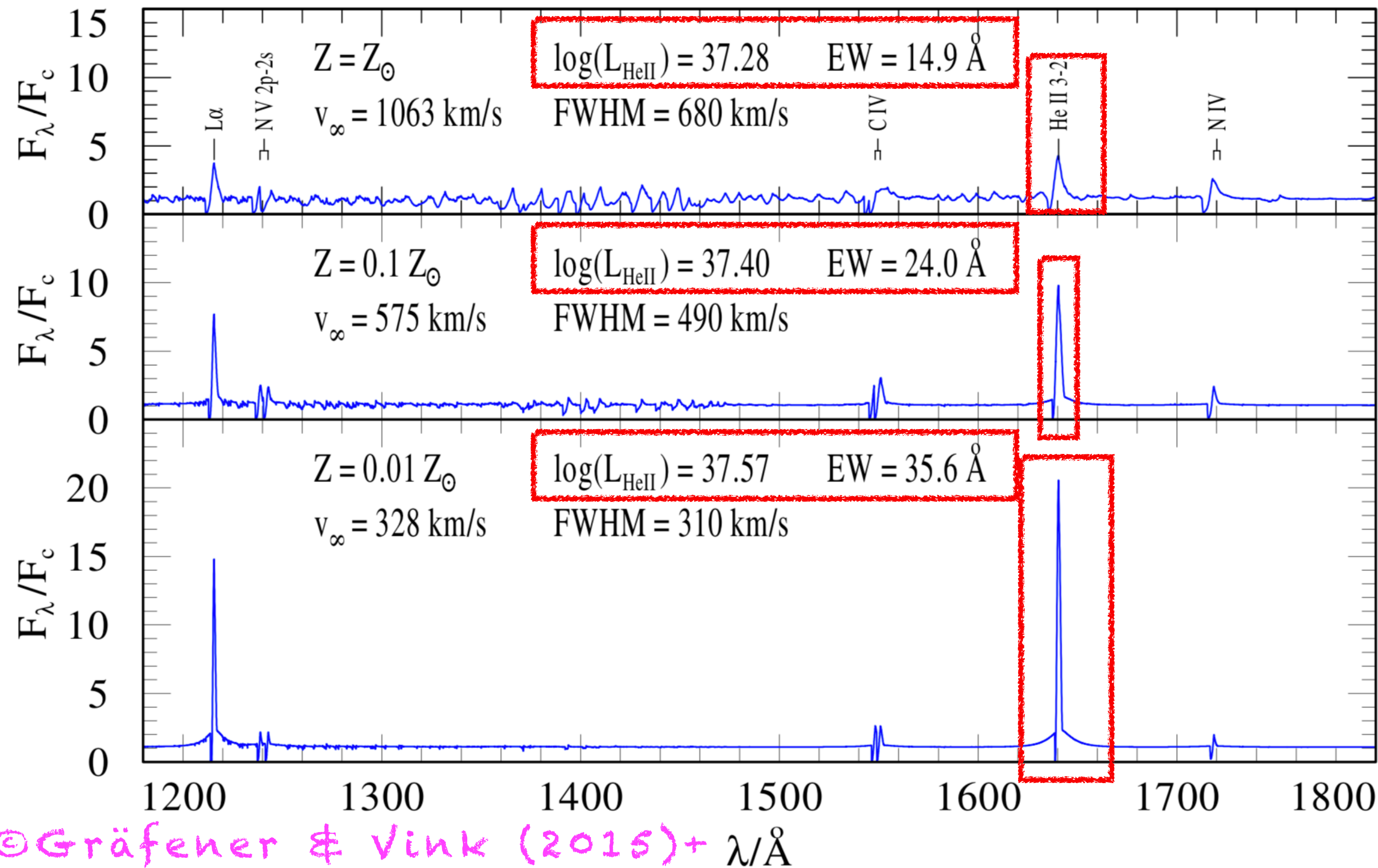
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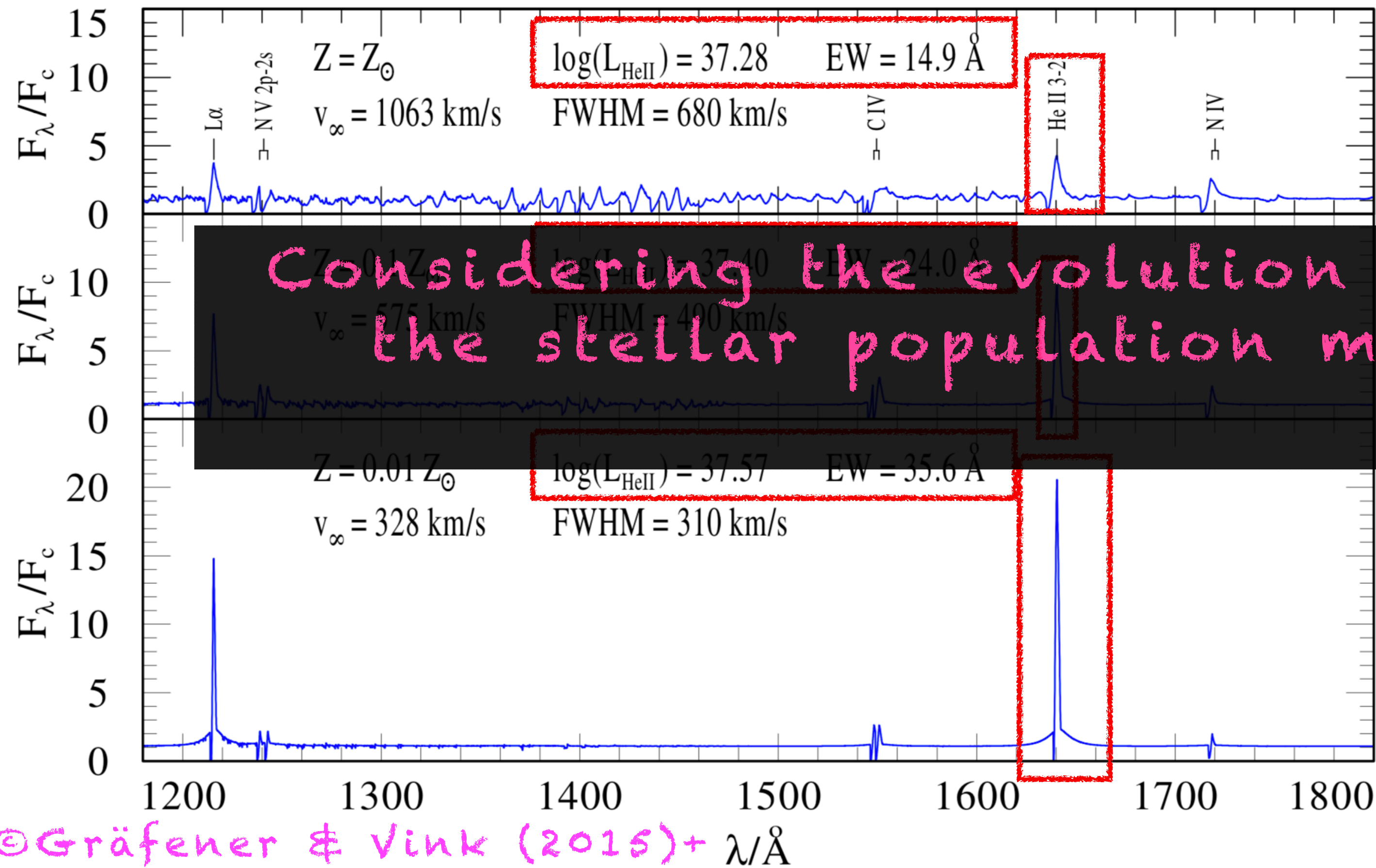
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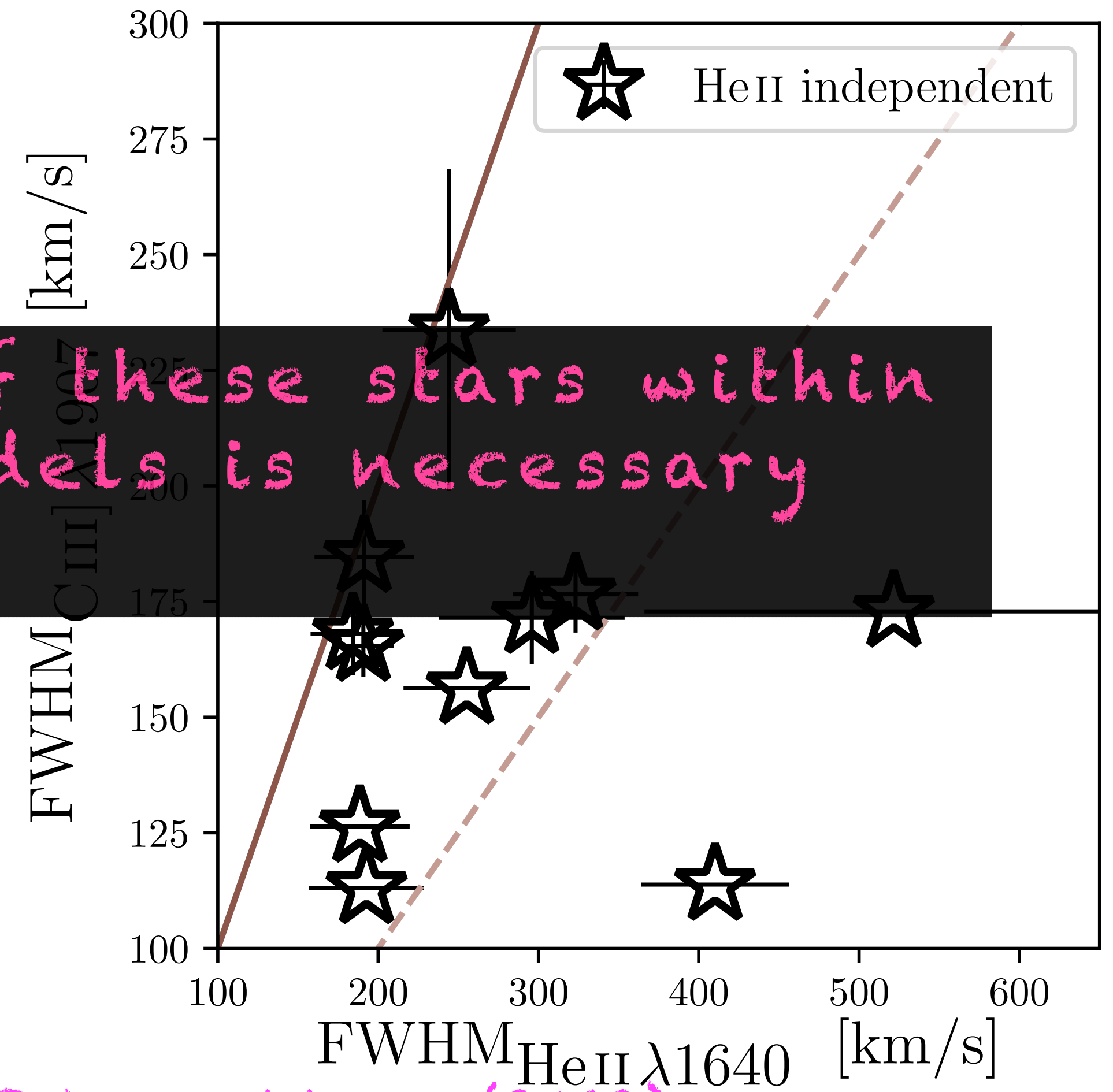
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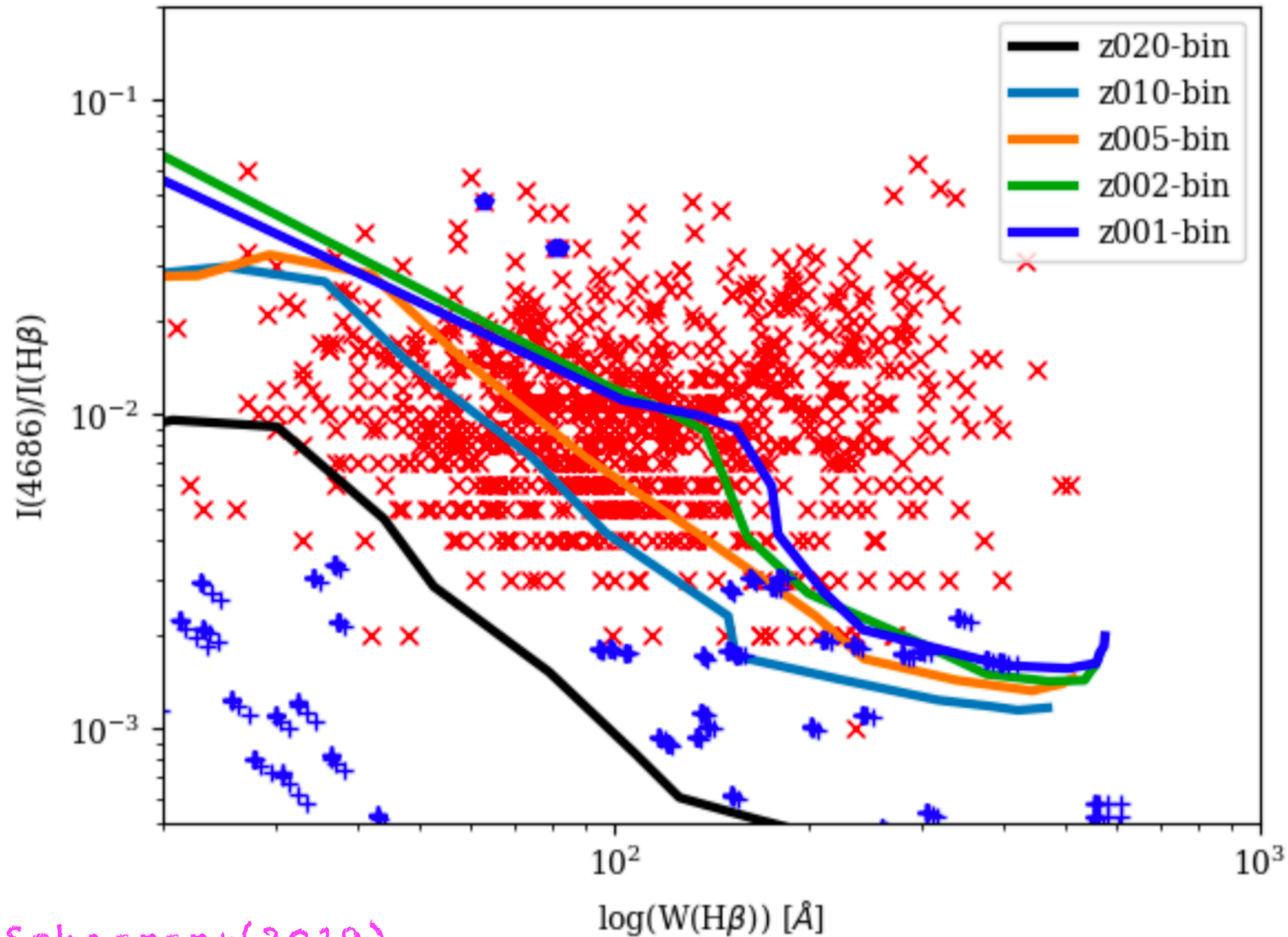
Considering the evolution of these stars within the stellar population models is necessary



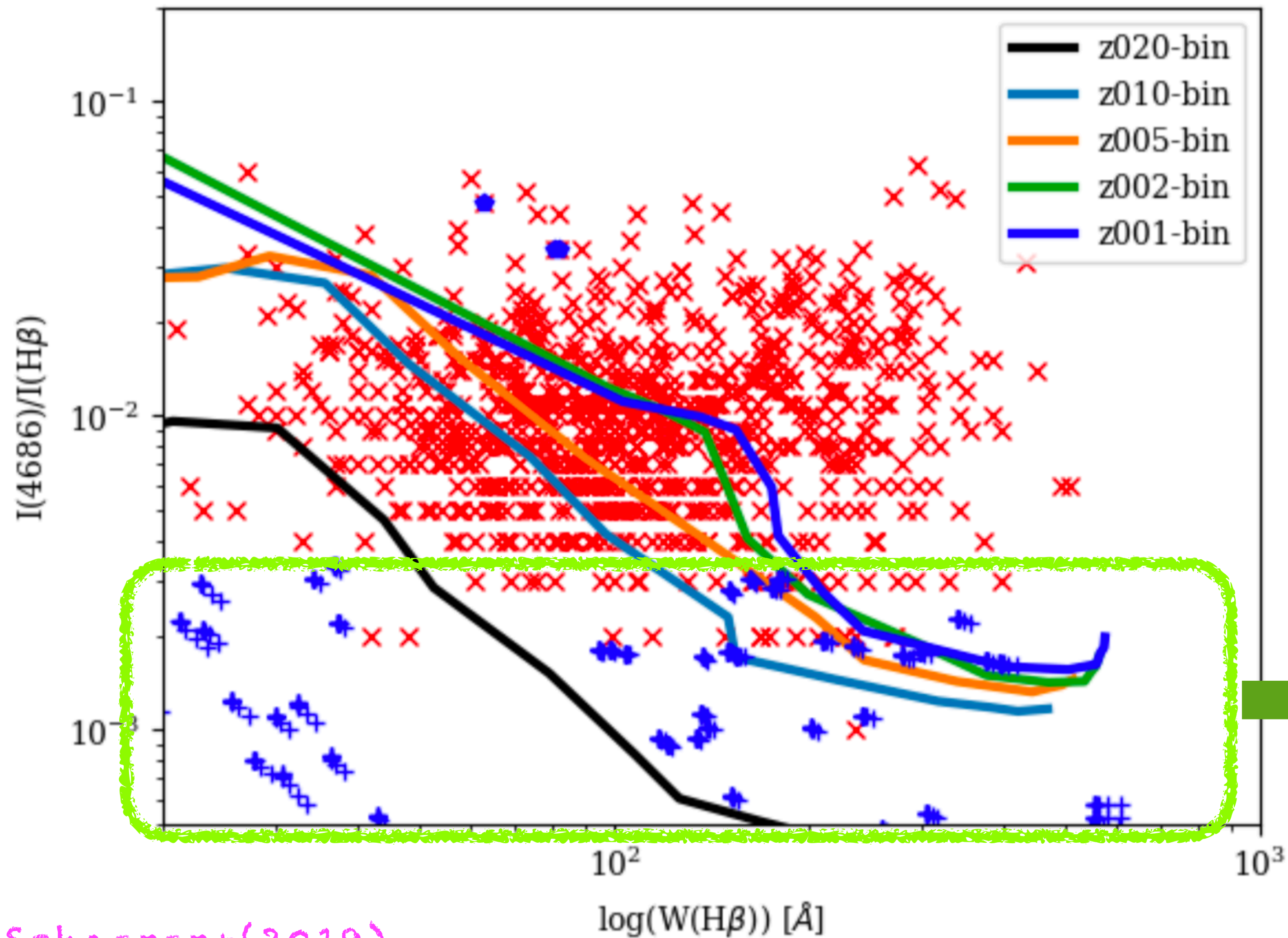
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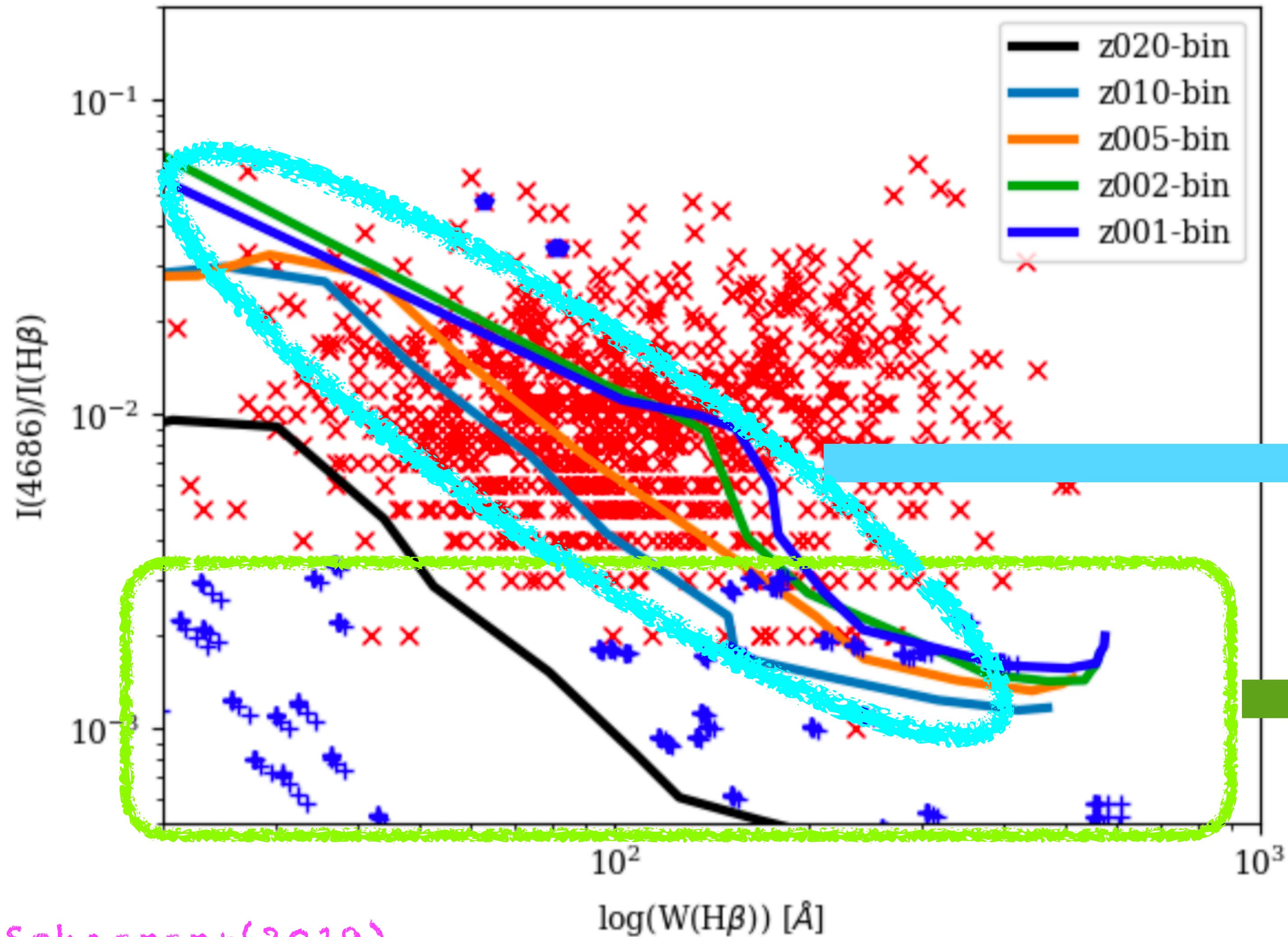


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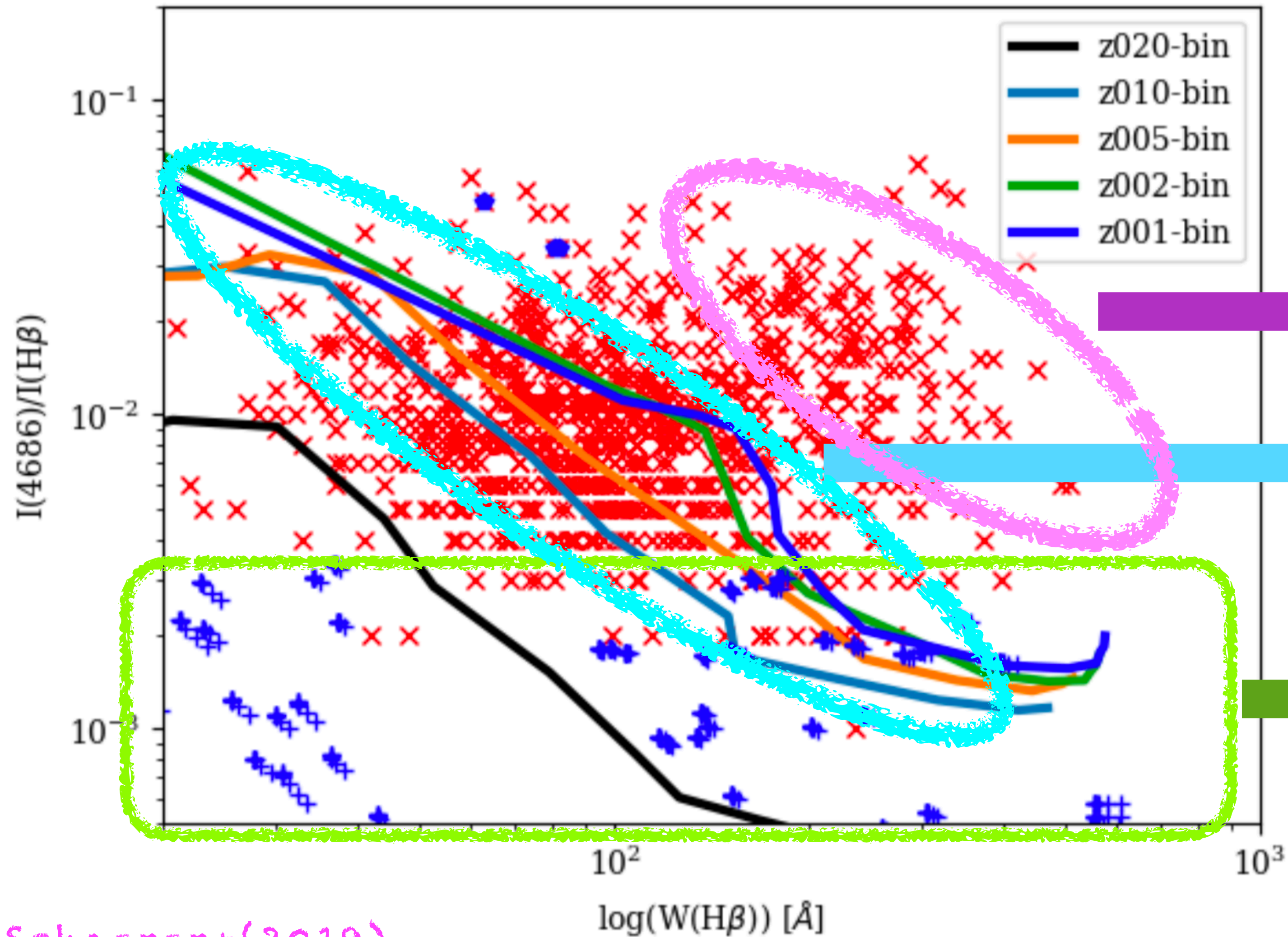
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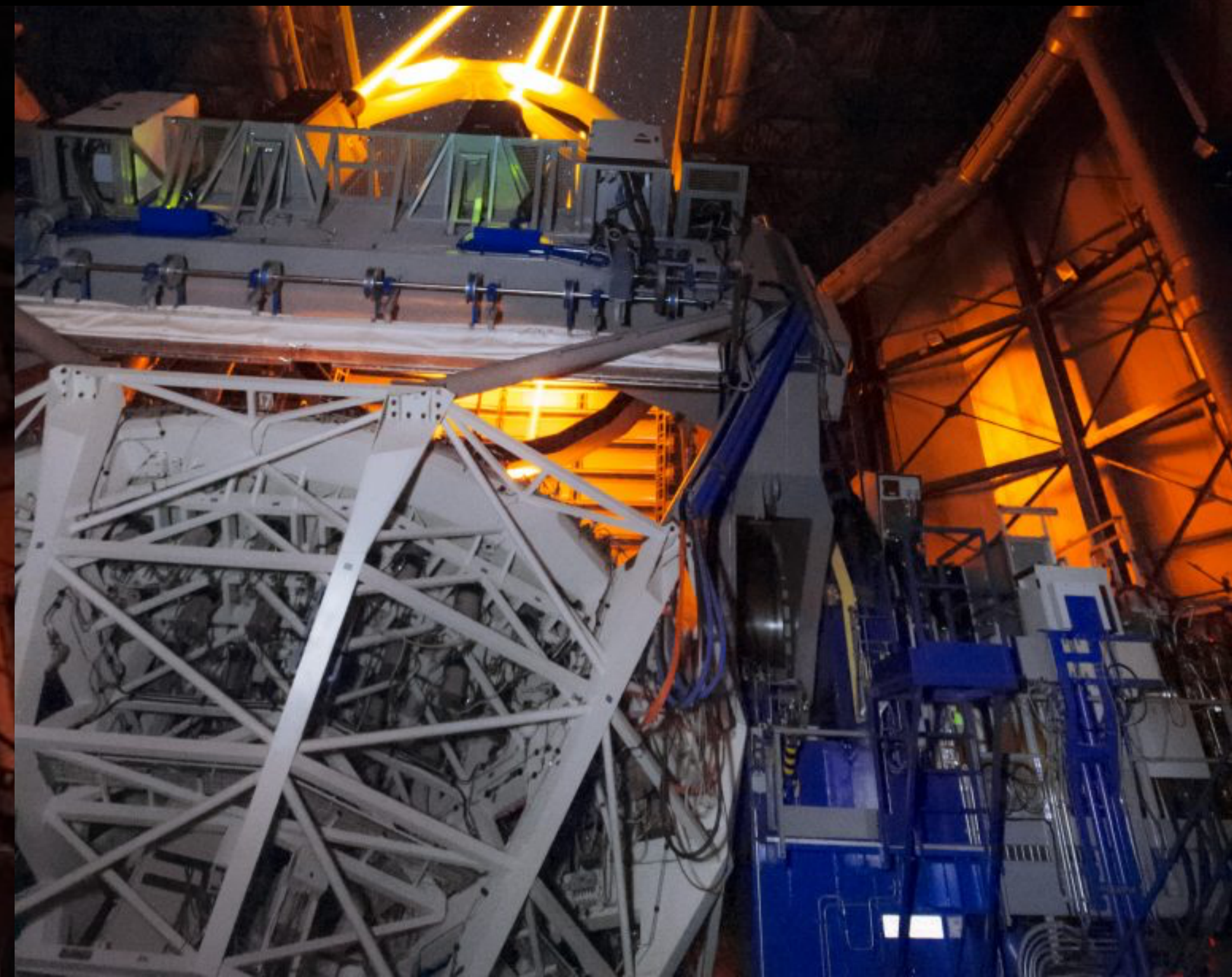
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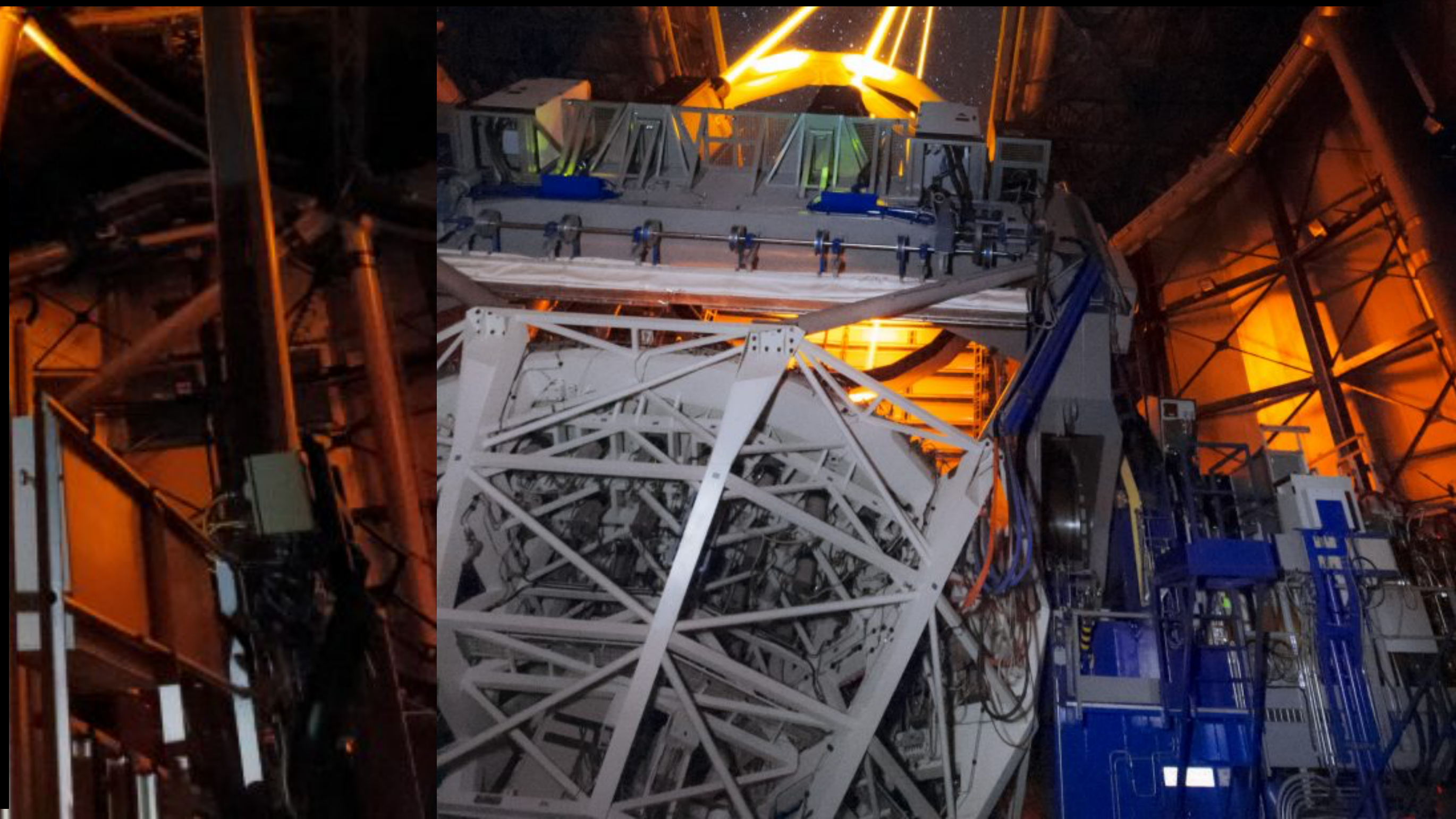
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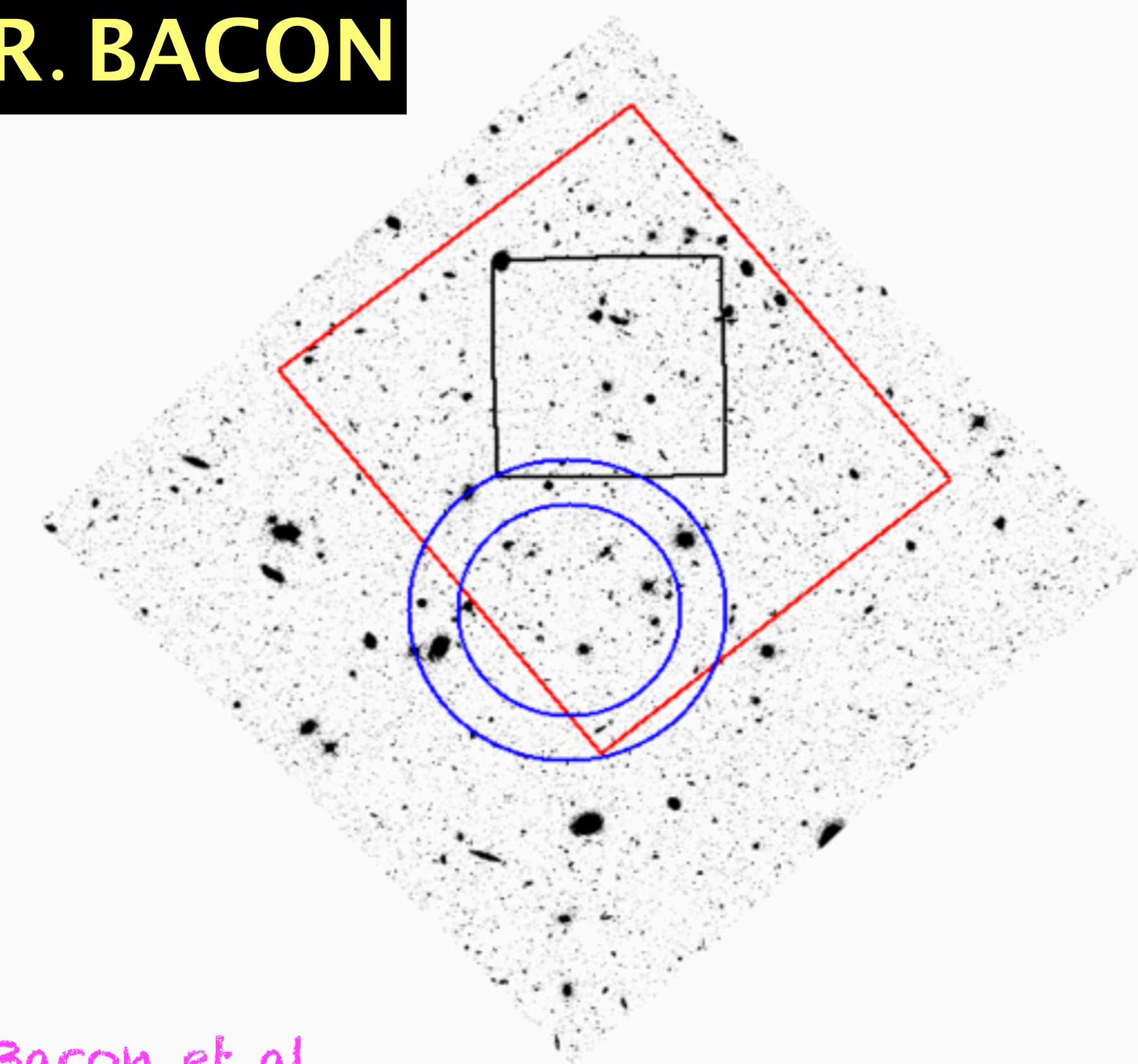
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# MUSE XDF program



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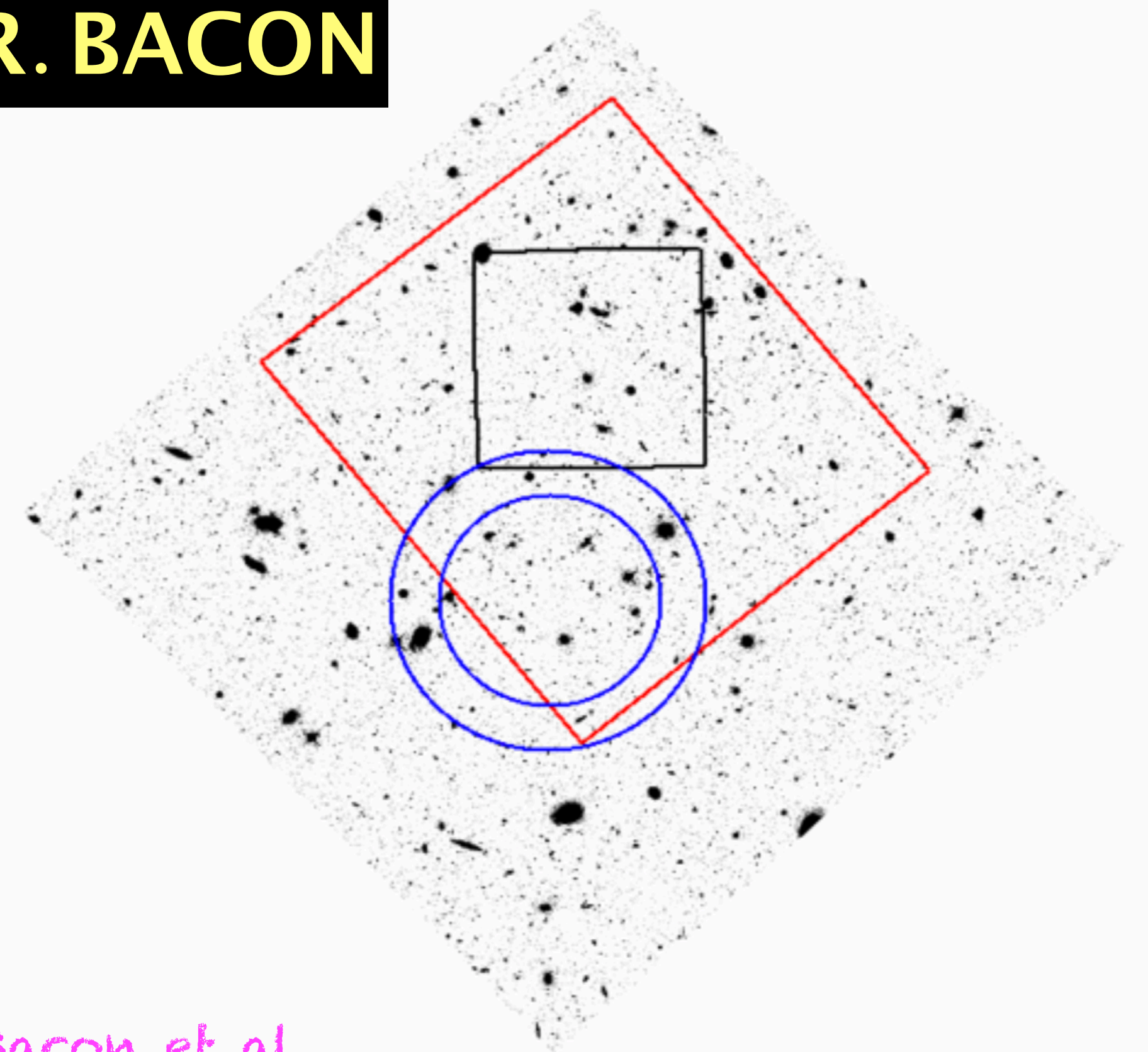
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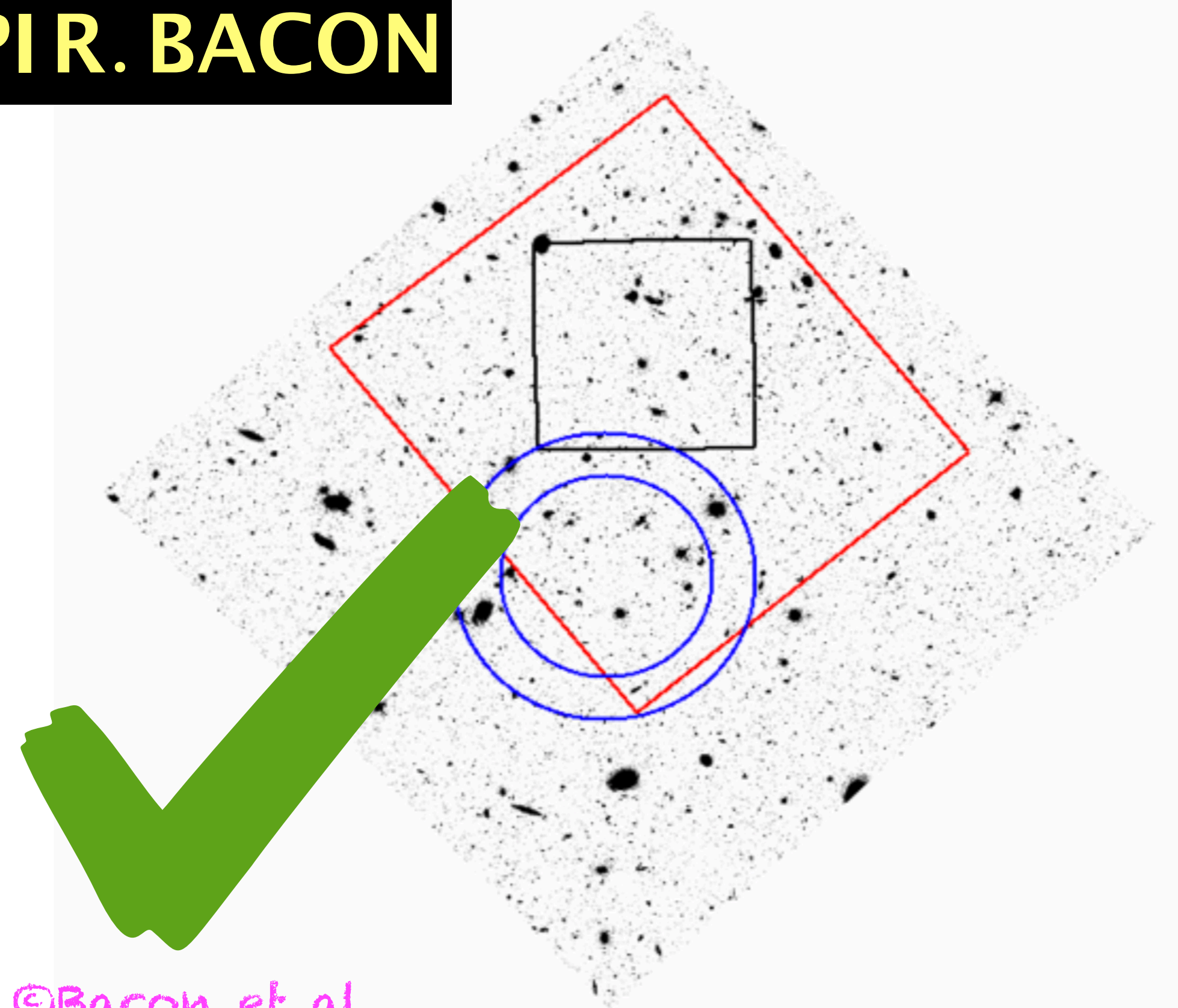
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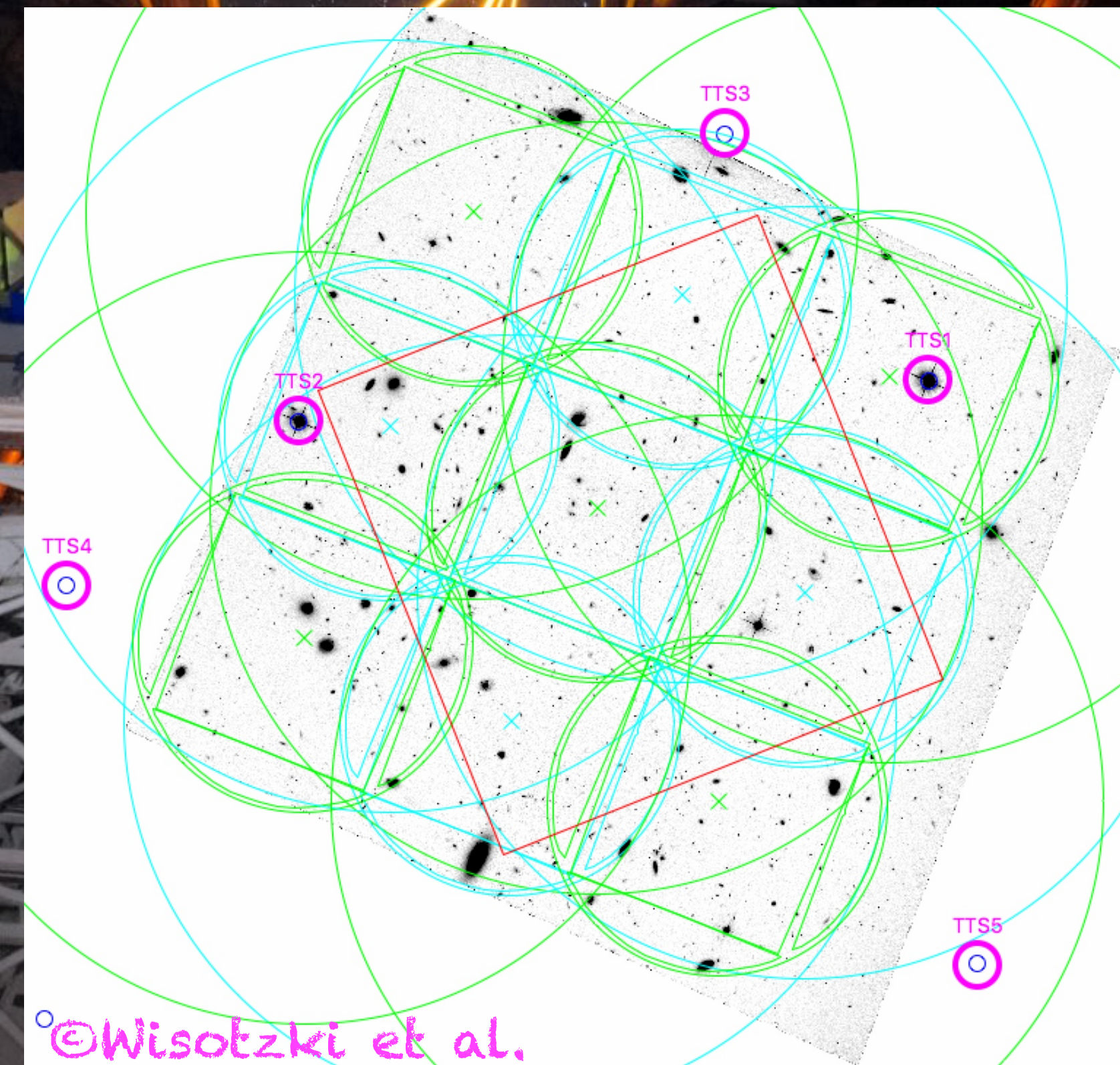
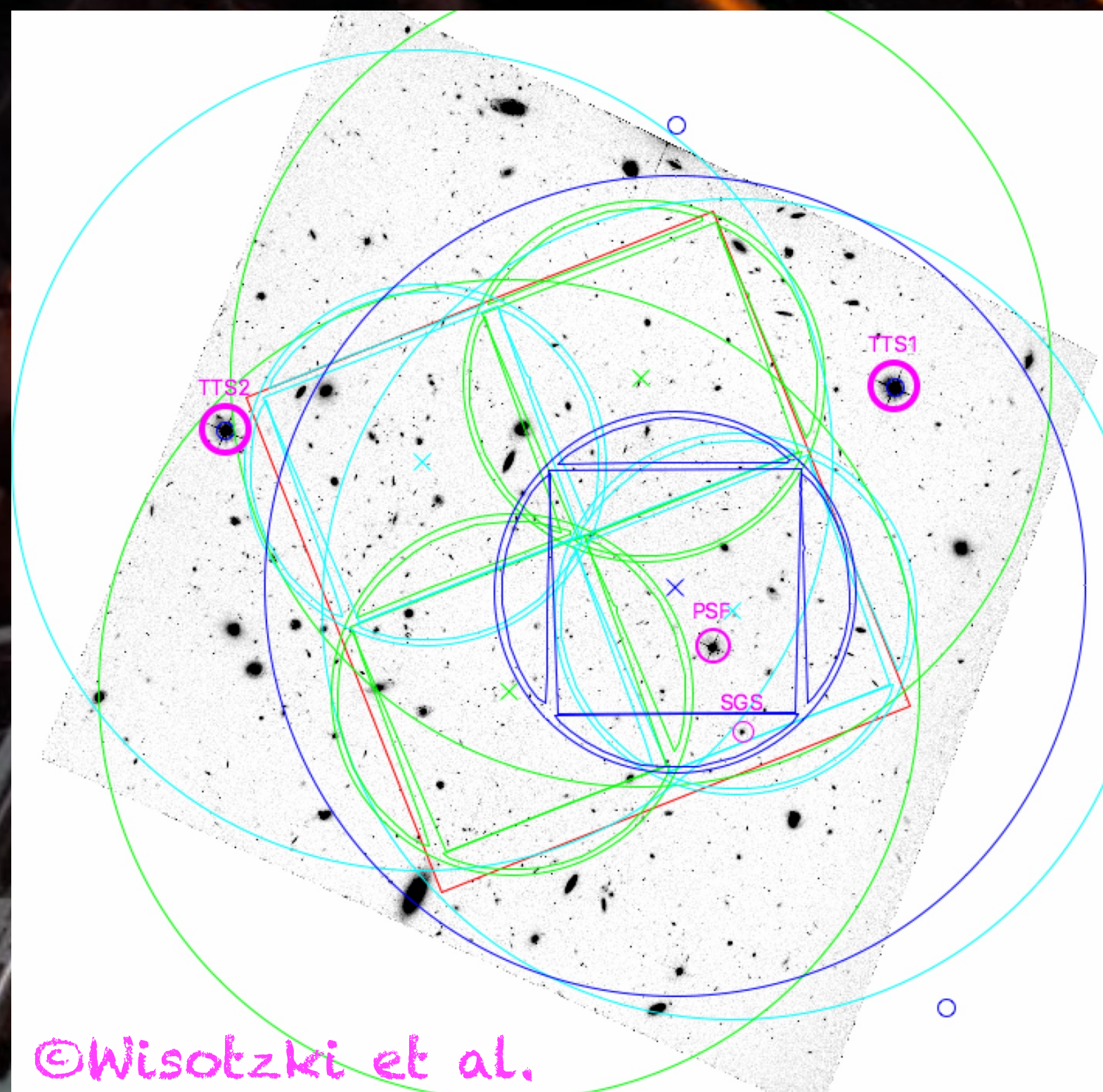
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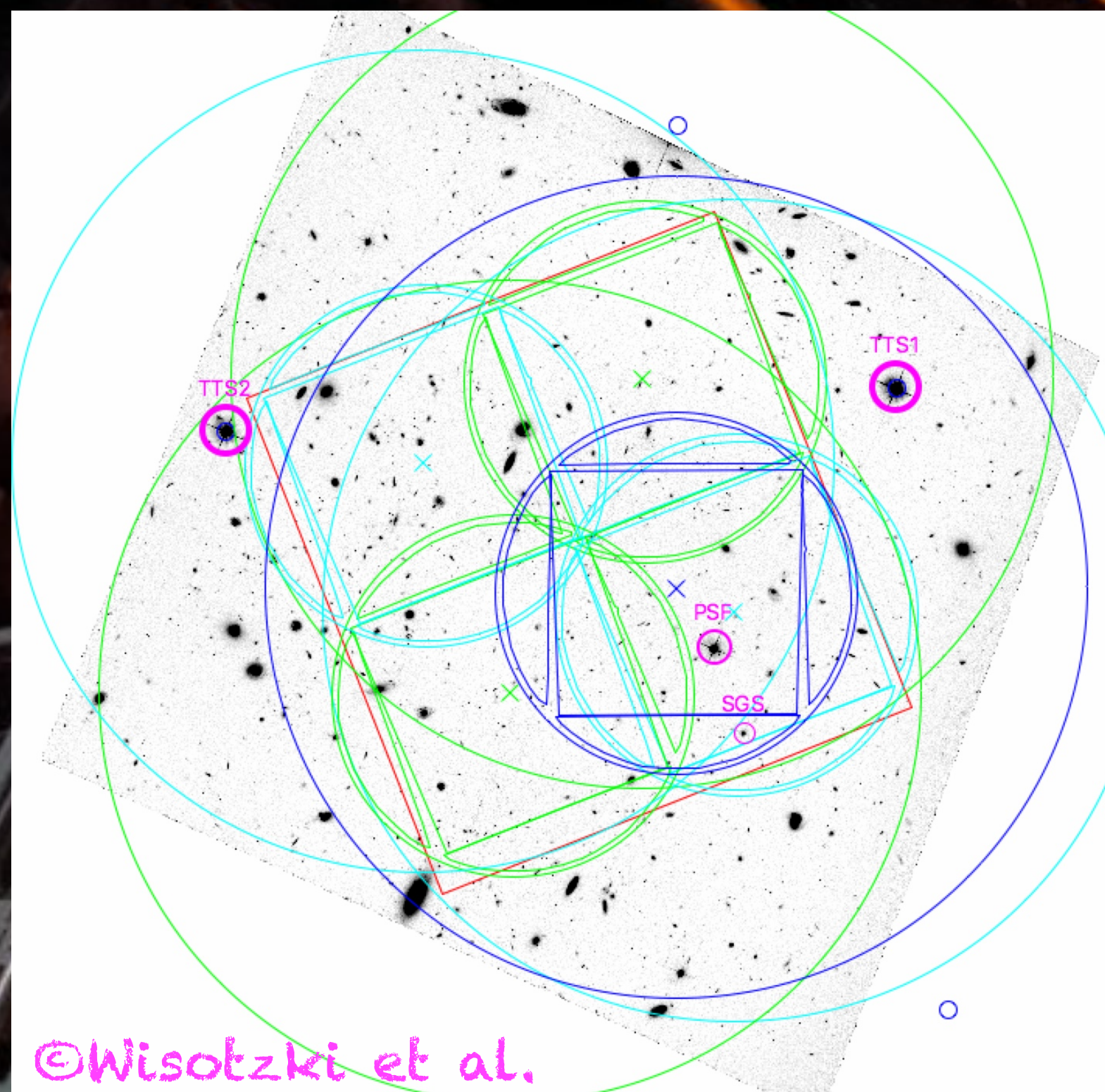
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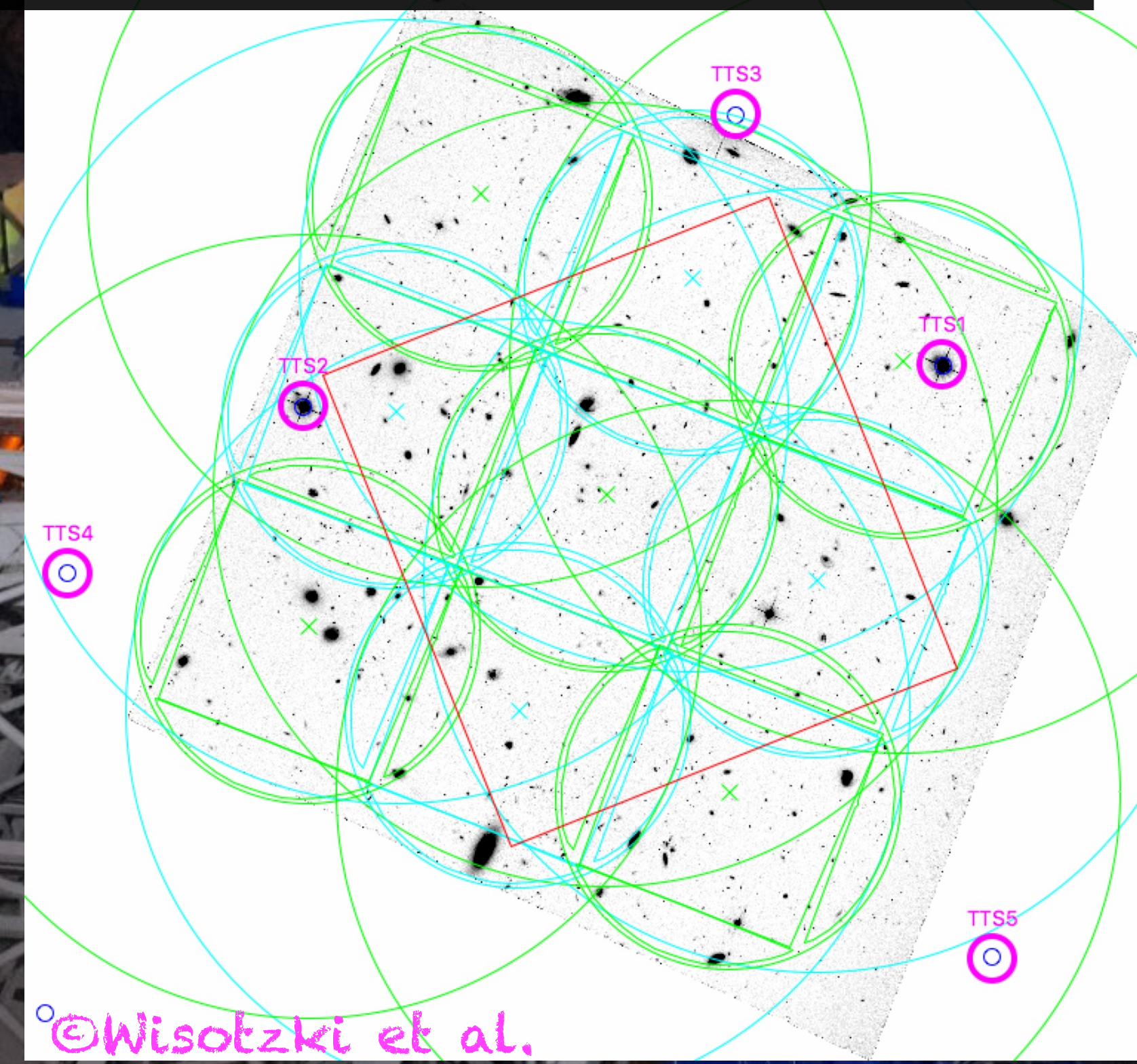
# MUSE HFF program

200h program with 4 HFF parallel fields.  
Each field:

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- Medium: 2'x2' 5h pointings
- shallow: 3'x3' 1.7h pointings



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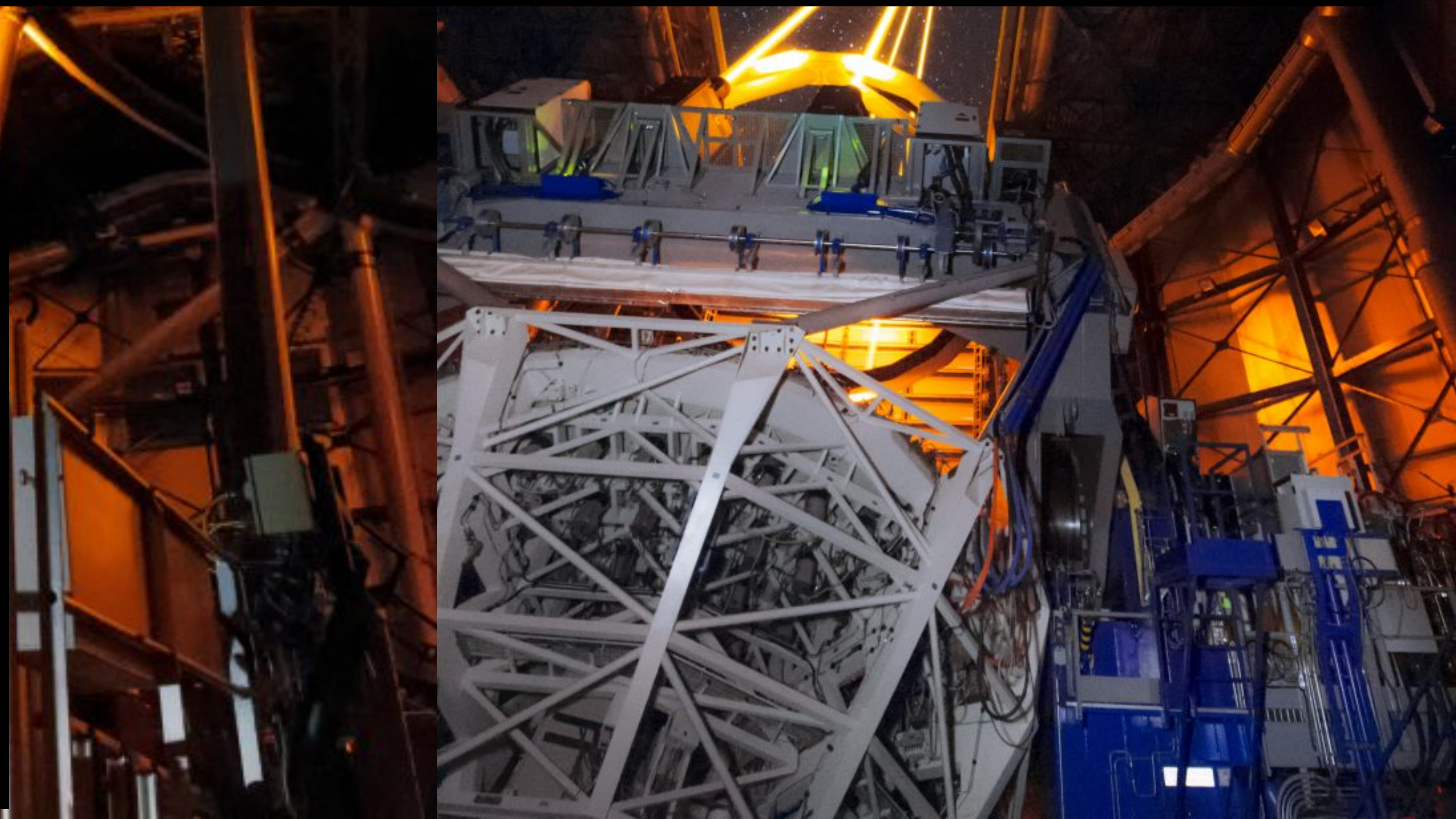
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**Stacking MUSE UDF (30h) + MUSE WIDE (10h\*9) + several ~10 other GTO pointings**



# Testing stellar population models

Include X-ray binary spectra, VMS evolution models in SSPs and investigate observed correlations with galaxy properties

Investigate the variations in the IMF along with other changes

Include realistic dust models and investigate how extra ionising photons effects observed emission line ratios

# CONCLUSIONS

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- We compose a catalogue with  $\approx 13$   $\text{HeII}\lambda_{1640}$  detections from MUSE (and  $\approx 20$  tentative detections from other public surveys).
- Using Gutkin et al., (2016) models we show our observed emission line ratios can be reproduced via high-U sub-solar Z models.
- Including effects of binaries from Xiao et al., (2018) models makes the model parameters degenerate.
- We show even BPASS models are unable to reproduce the observed  $\text{HeII}\lambda_{1640}$  and  $\text{OIII}\lambda_{1666}$  equivalent widths.
- We show that matching  $\text{HeII}\lambda_{1640}$  luminosities with BPASS models require  $\sim 1/200 Z_{\odot}$  models which are in tension with gas phase metallicities inferred via line-ratio diagnostics.
- IMFs with larger fractions of high mass stars (top heavy) or exotic stellar population mechanisms such as XRBs or very massive WNh stars that can produce photons at wavelength  $> 275 \text{ \AA}$  with relatively low wind effects are required to match our observed data with models.