

HI observations of gas-rich galaxies at redshift $z \sim 0.2$

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HI deep surveys

Detection of 21 cm emission at $z > 0.1$ is DIFFICULT

- ▶ weak signals → very long integration times
- ▶ radio frequency interference (RFI)
- ▶ increased beam confusion (single dish)

Almost NOTHING known about HI emission of galaxies above $z=0.1$

- ▶ Zwaan et al. 2001
Abell 2218 → 1 galaxy at $z=0.1766$

WSRT, 18×12 hrs

- ▶ Verheijen et al. 2007
2 Abell clusters ($z=0.206$ and 0.188)

WSRT, 20×12 hrs + 15×12 hrs

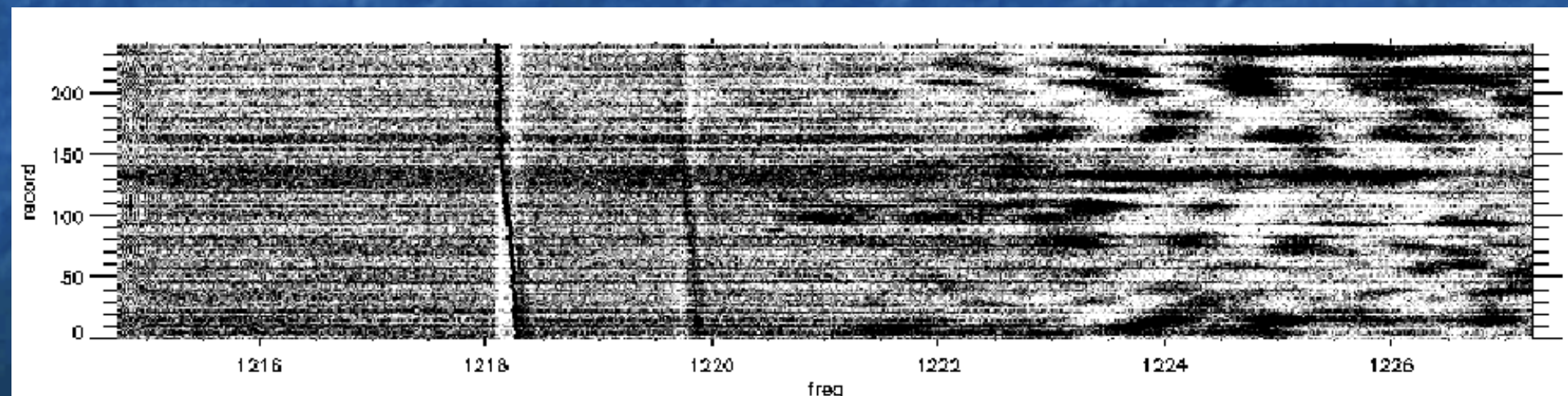
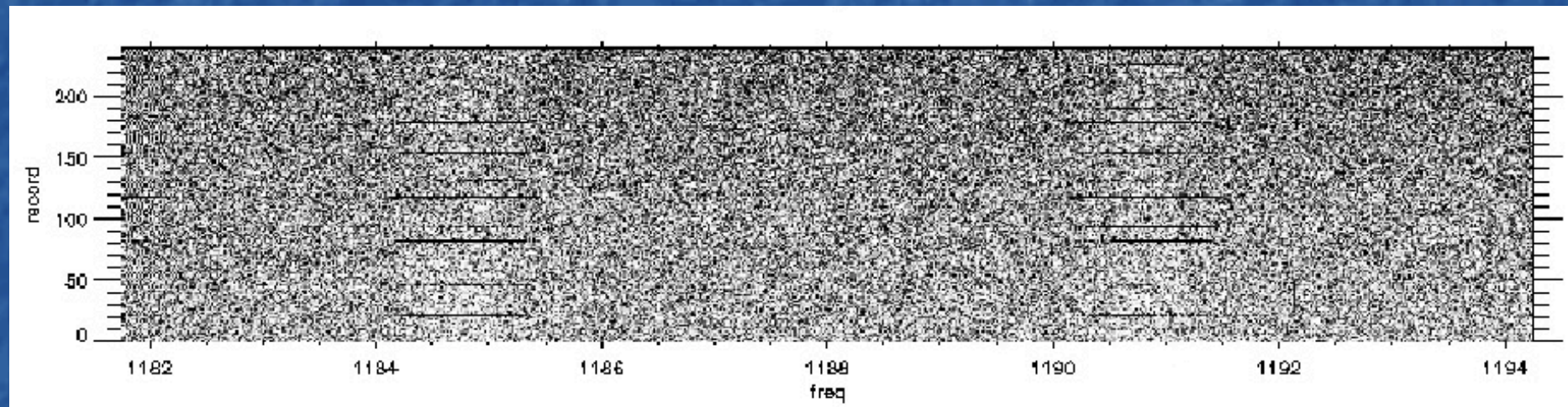
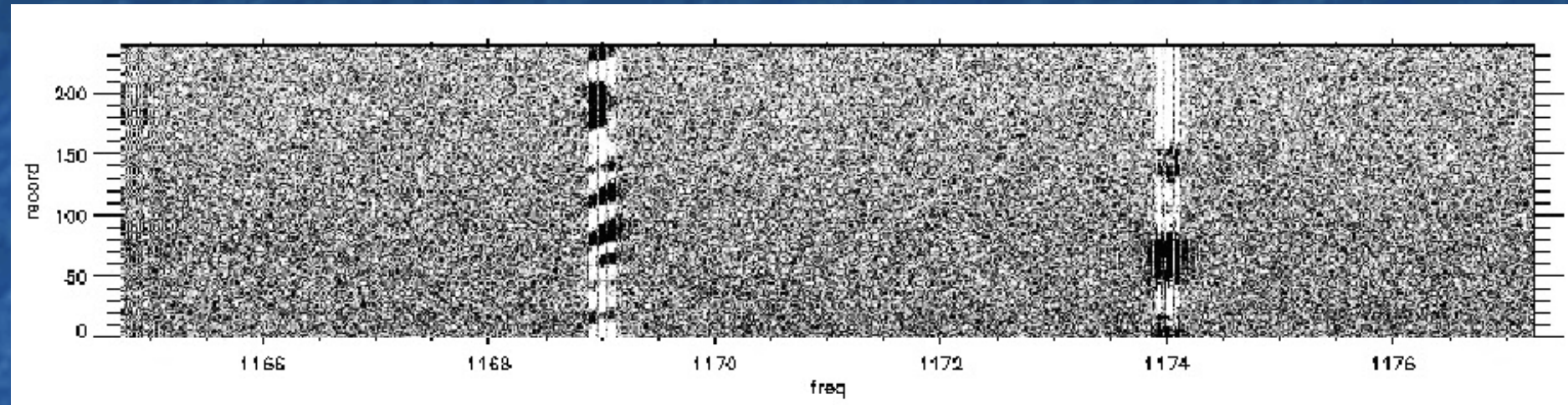
42 detections + 8 tentative, HI masses = $0.5 - 4 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$

Arecibo pilot HI survey at $z > 0.16$

- ▶ Technical improvements at Arecibo (already 1/10 collecting area of SKA!!)
new L-wide receiver in 2003: access to frequencies < 1.3 GHz
- ▶ SDSS \rightarrow accurate z for $\sim 10^6$ galaxies!
- ▶ Galaxies selected from SDSS according to z , $H\alpha$ EW, inclination, disk morphology, and relative isolation
- ▶ Observations in standard position-switching mode
- ▶ Radio frequency interference (RFI)



Radio Frequency Interference (RFI)



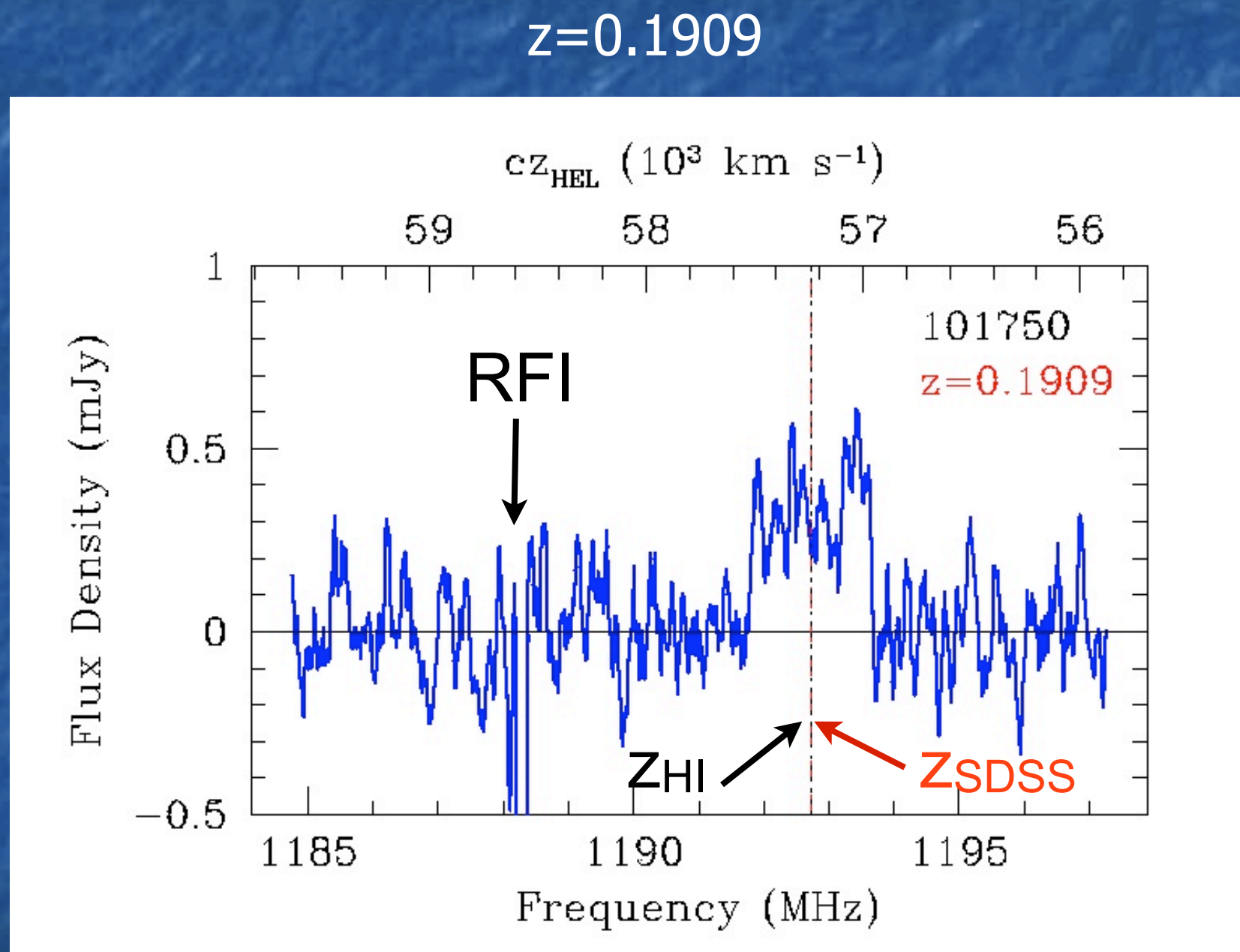
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Frequency →

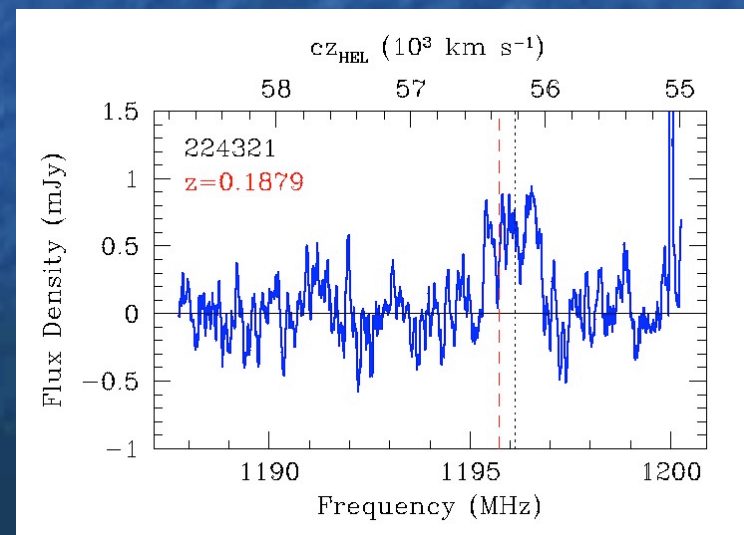
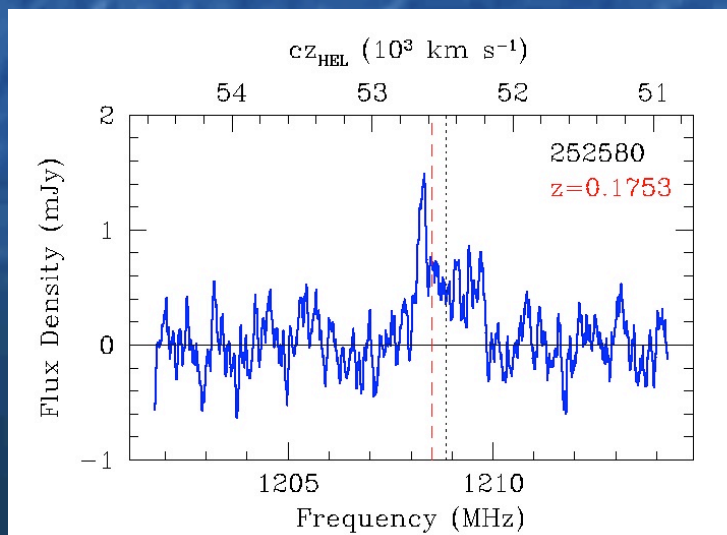
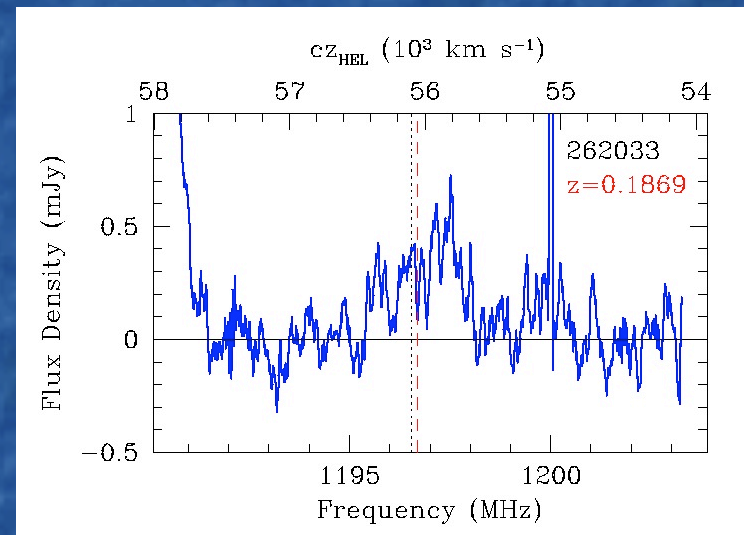
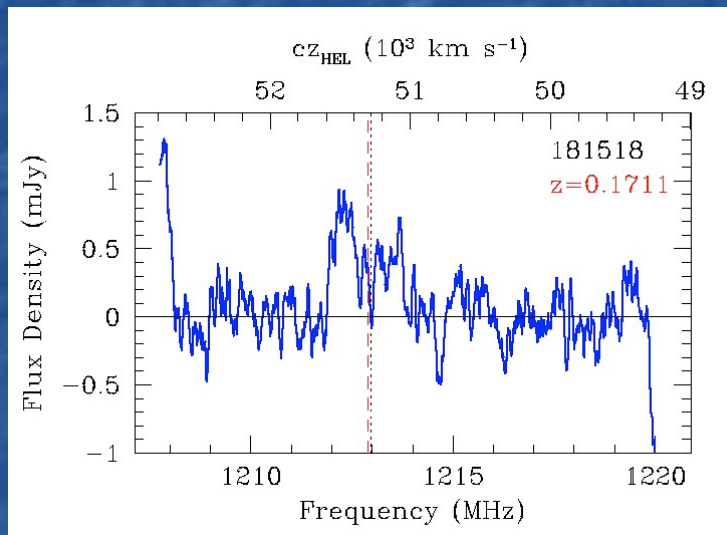
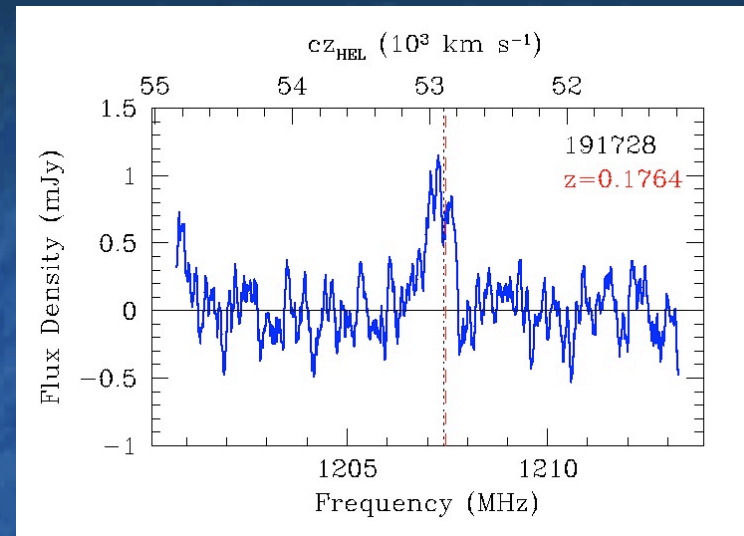
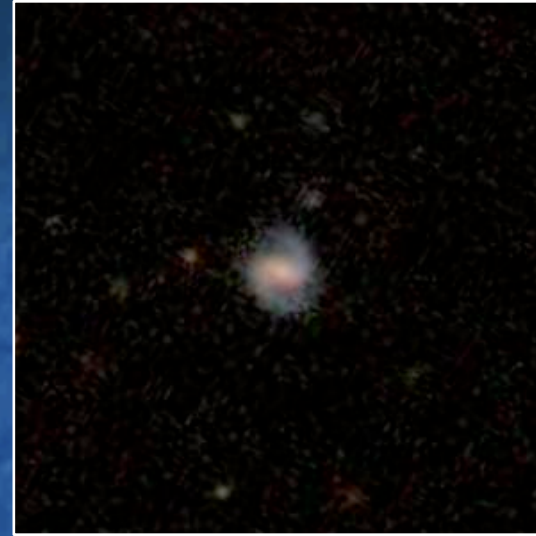
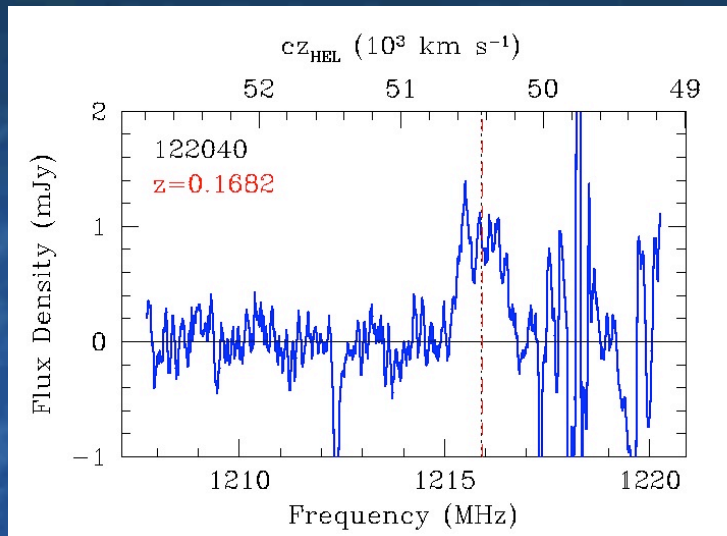
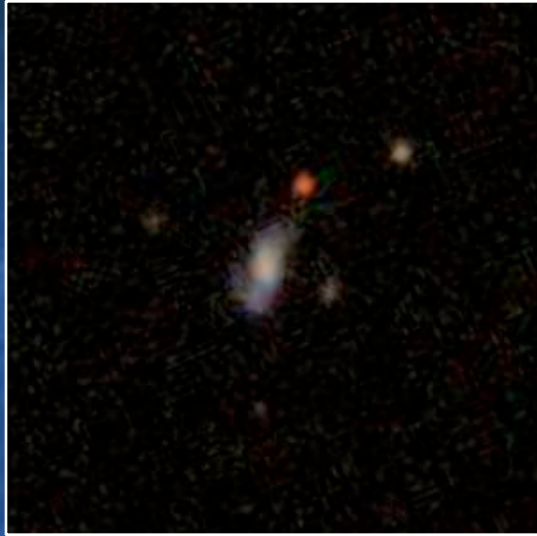
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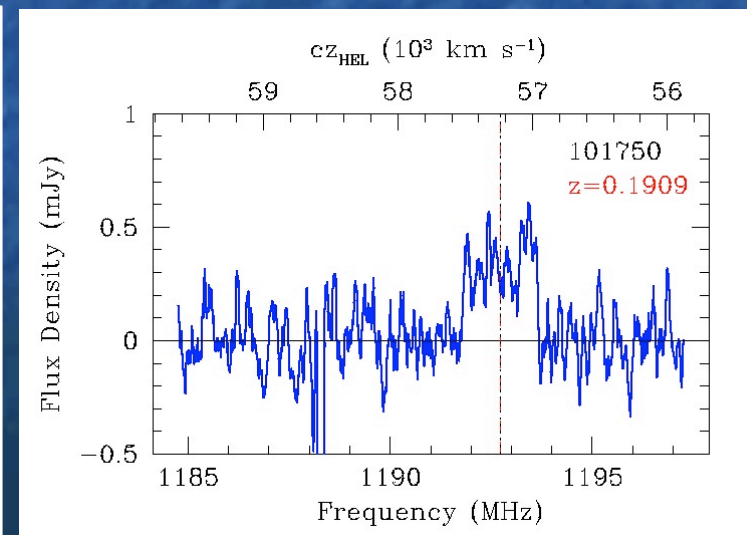
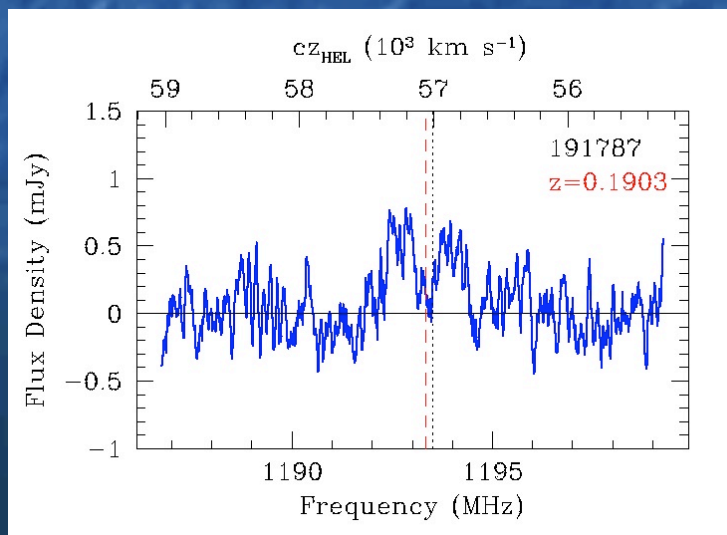
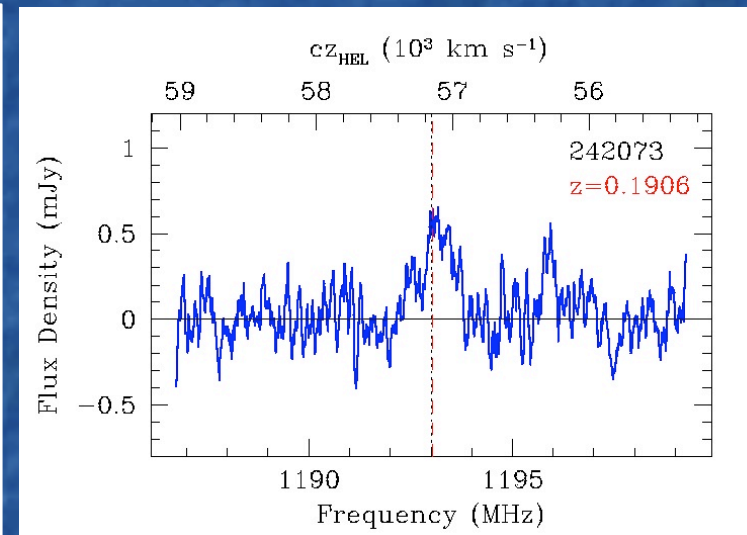
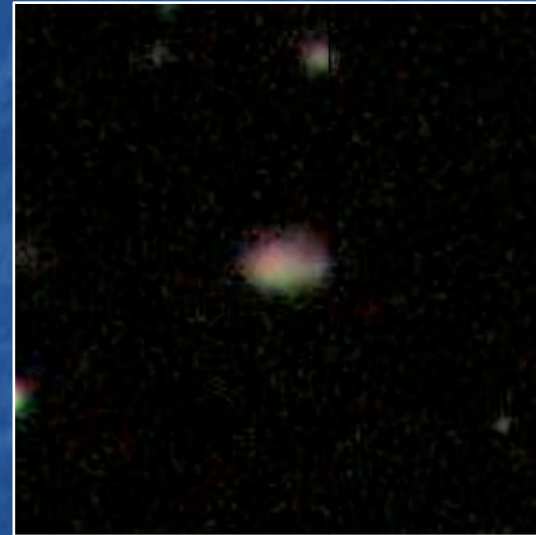
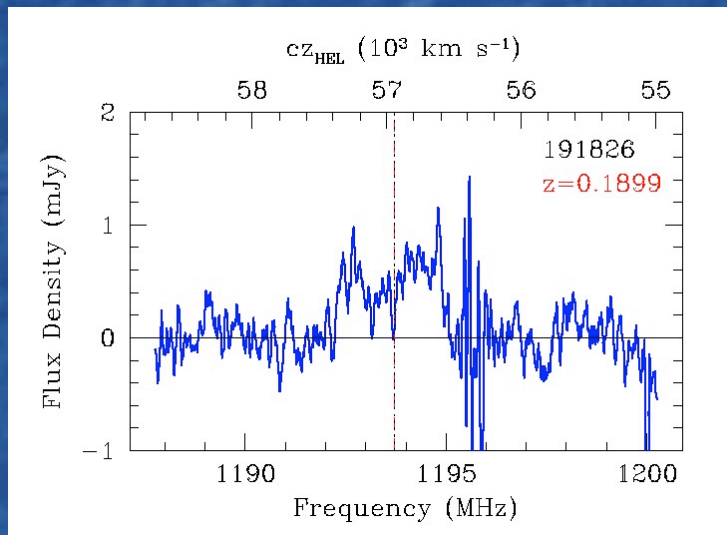
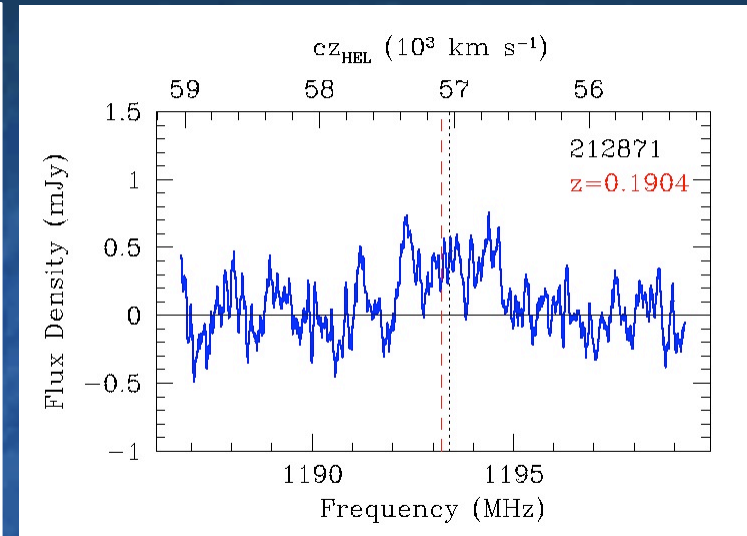
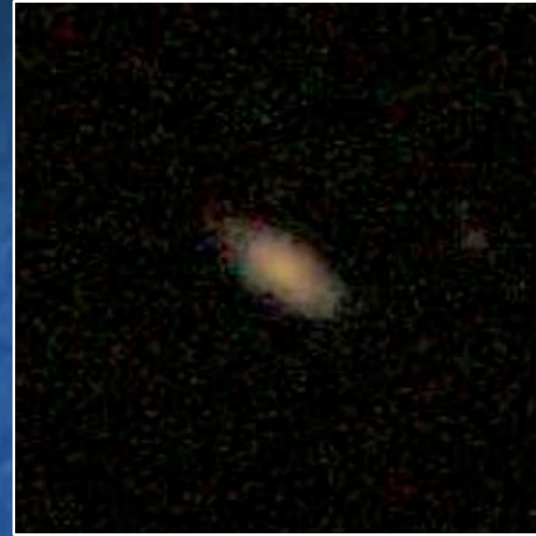
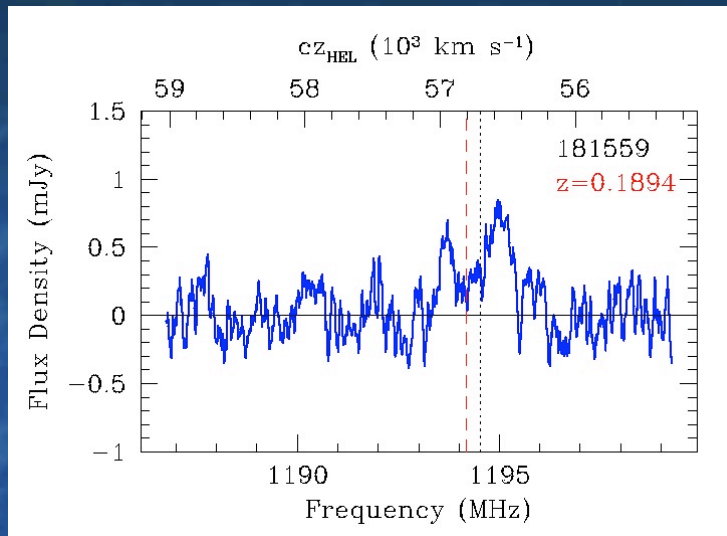
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~ 200 kpc @ $z=0.2$



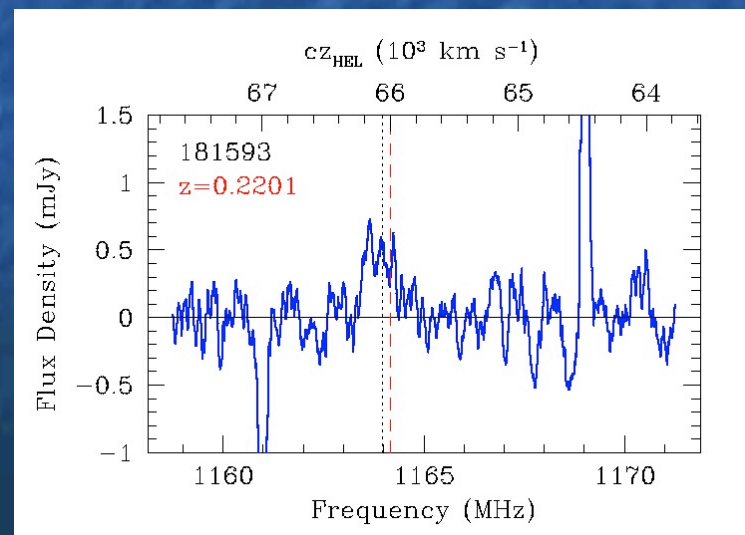
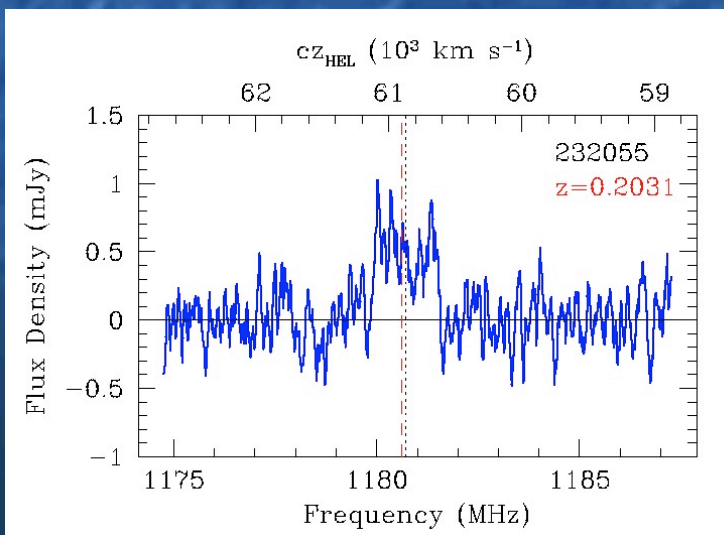
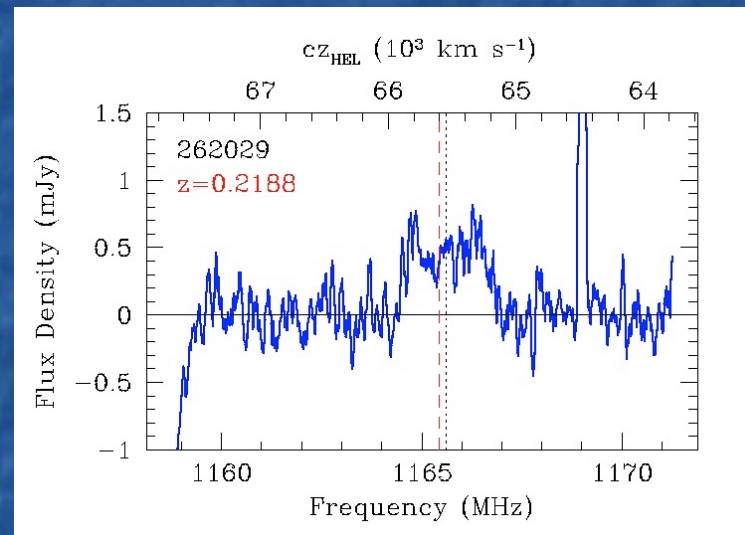
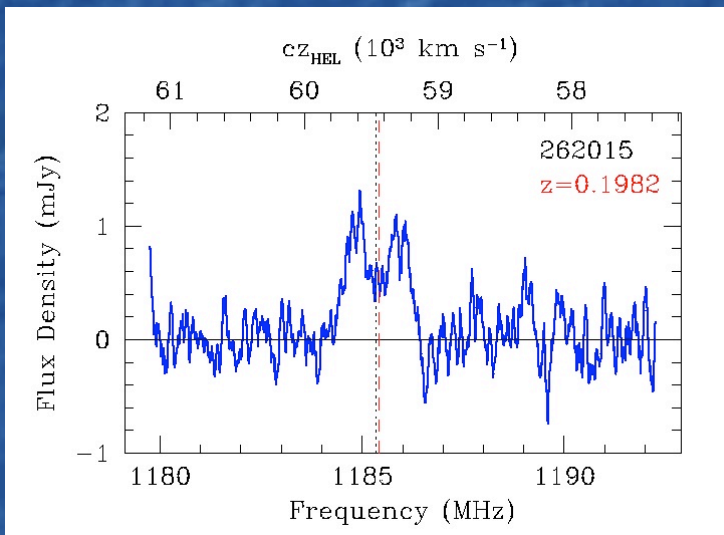
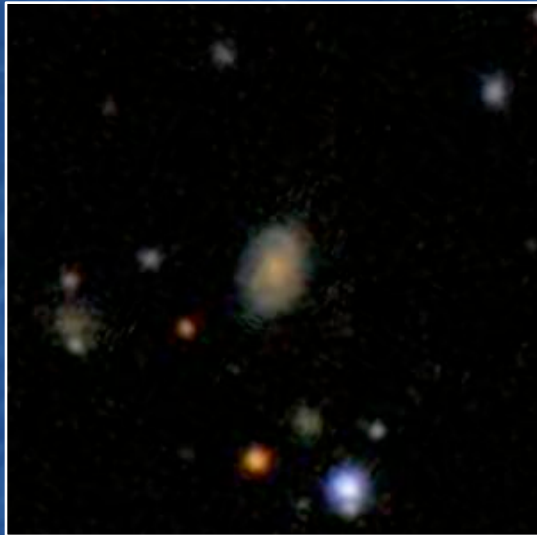
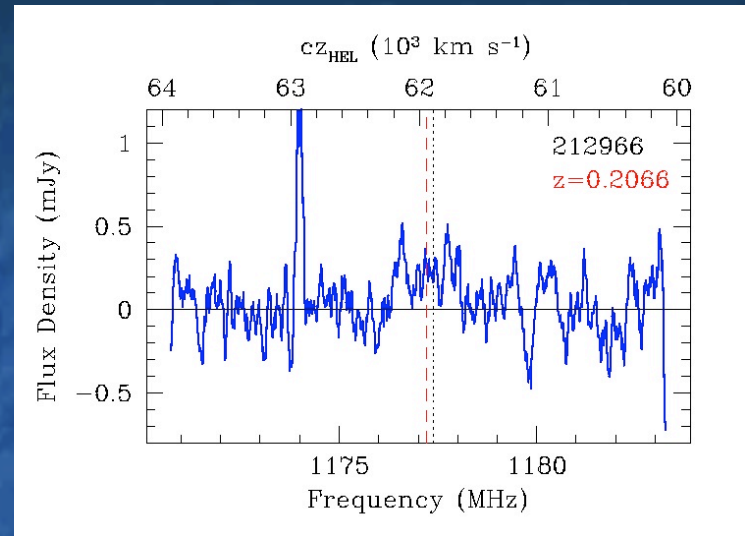
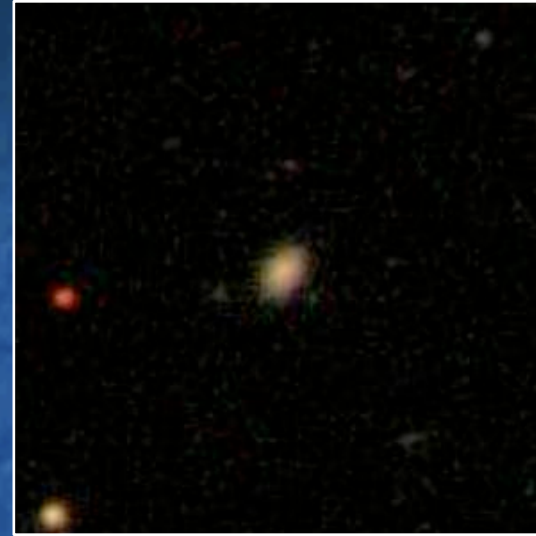
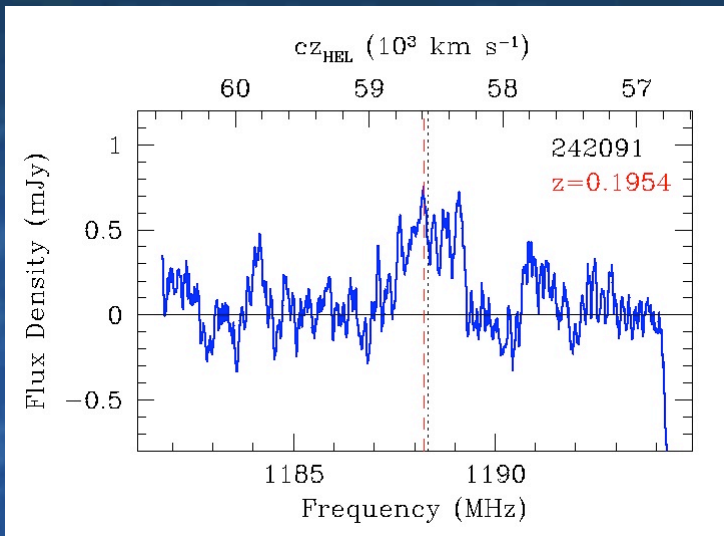
$$z=0.168 \Rightarrow 0.188$$



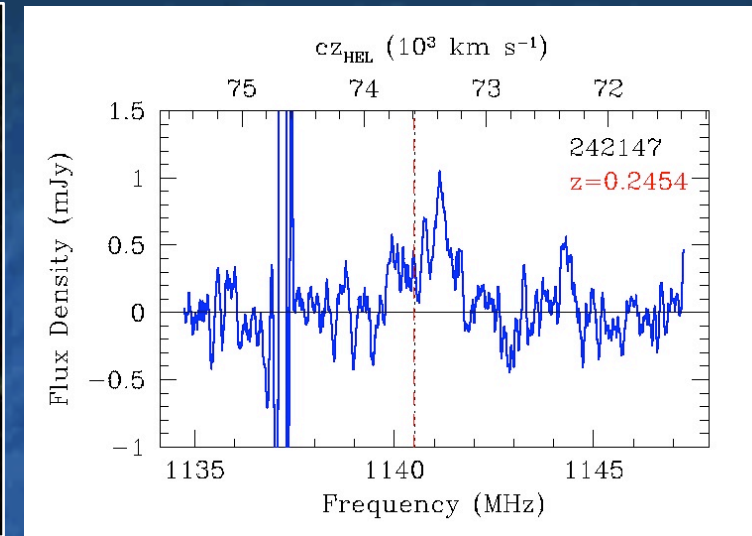
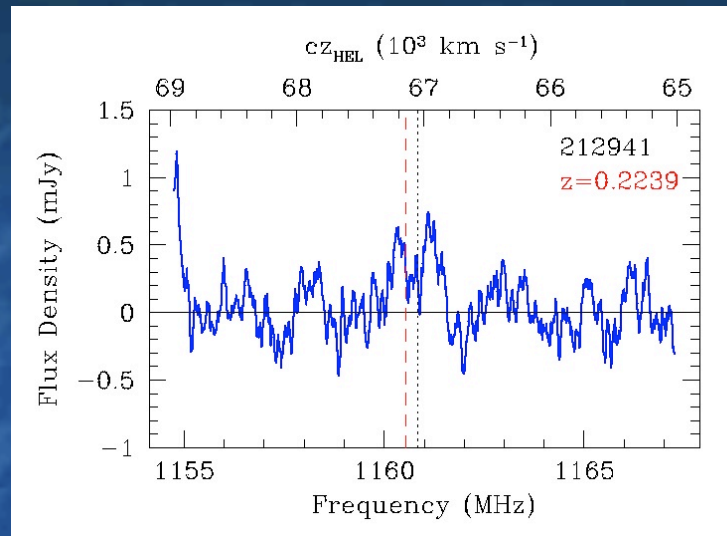
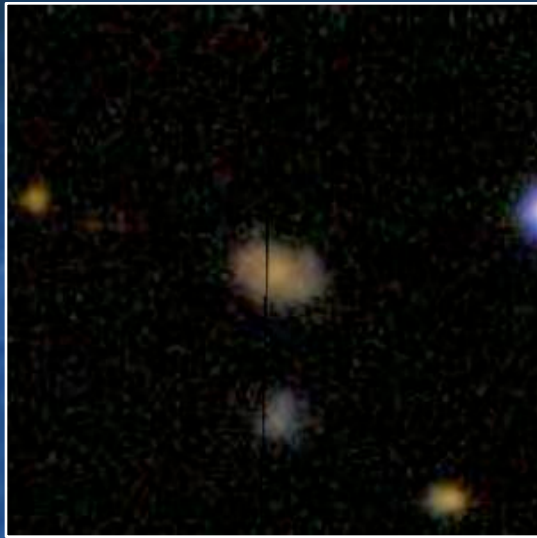
$z=0.189 \Rightarrow 0.191$



$z=0.195 \Rightarrow 0.220$



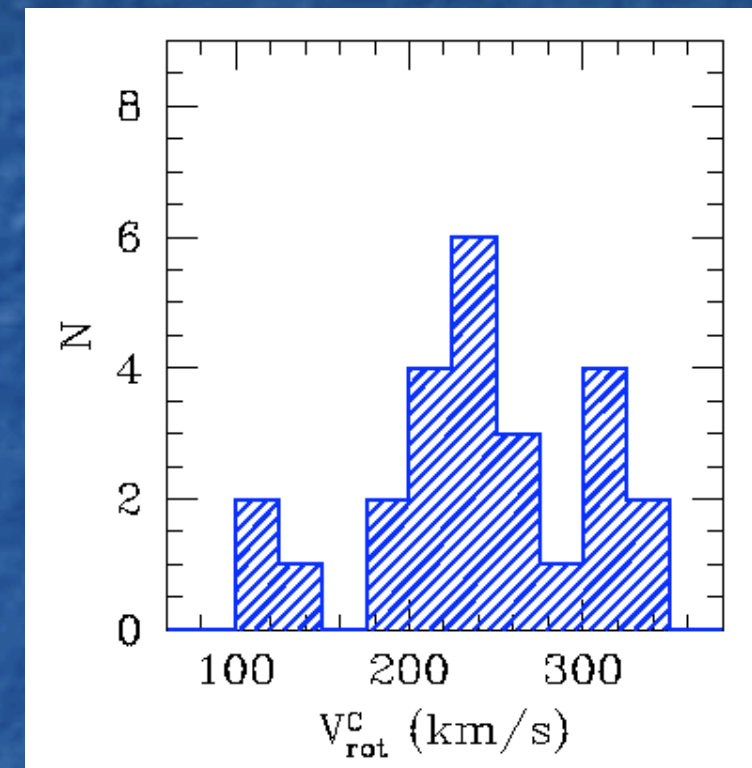
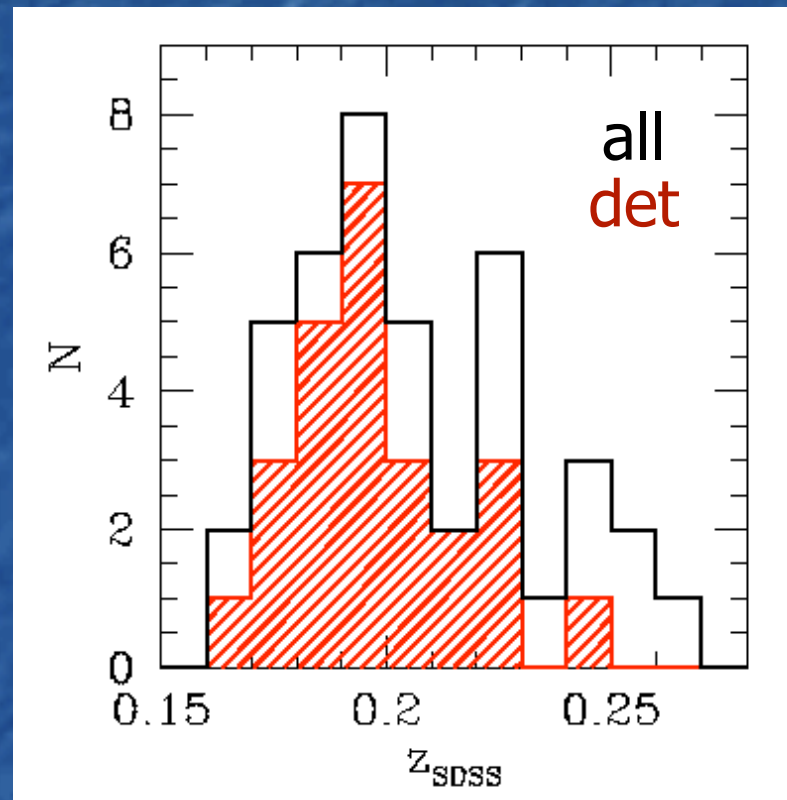
$$z=0.224 \rightarrow 0.245$$



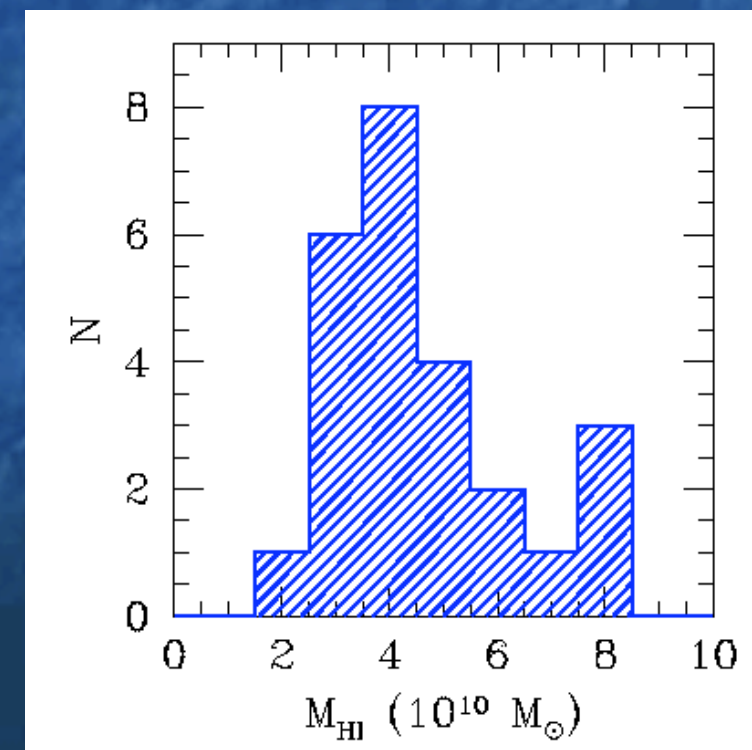
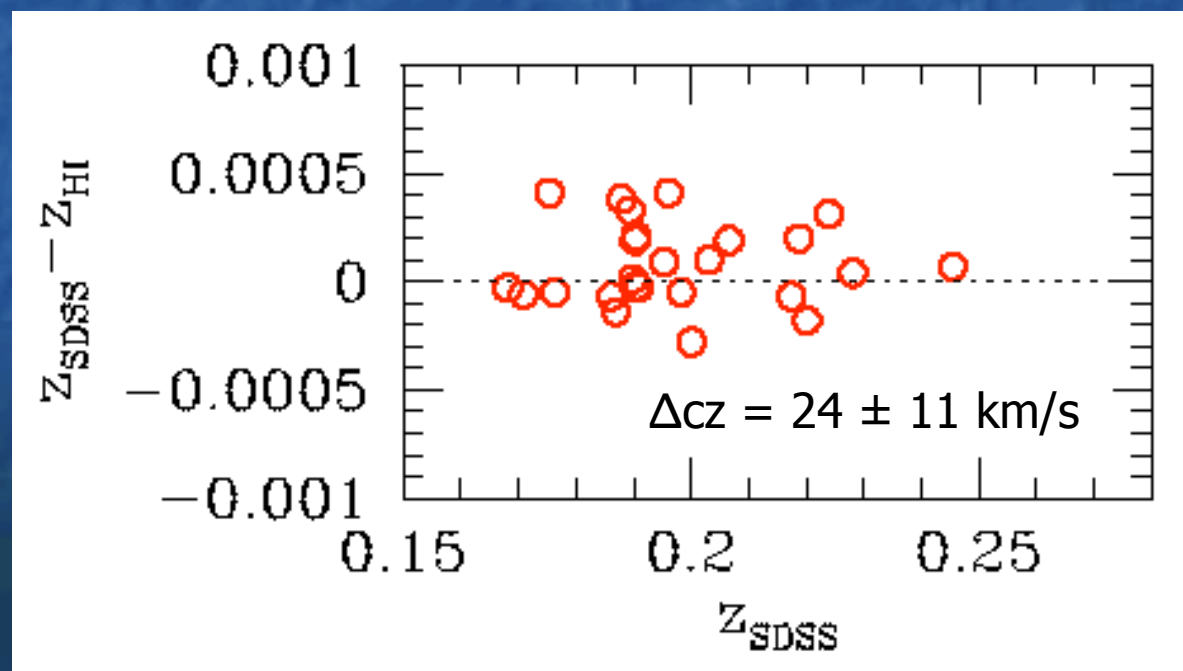
- ▶ 41 galaxies targeted
- ▶ $0.16 < z < 0.26$
- ▶ **25 detections**, 9 marginal, 7 non-detections
- ▶ HI mass $2 - 8 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$
- ▶ on-source integration time between 1 and 4 hrs per object
- ▶ ~200 hours telescope time
- ▶ Approved Arecibo proposal to increase the $z \sim 0.2$ sample and push the redshift limit beyond 0.3

Properties of $z \sim 0.2$ Arecibo detections

redshift



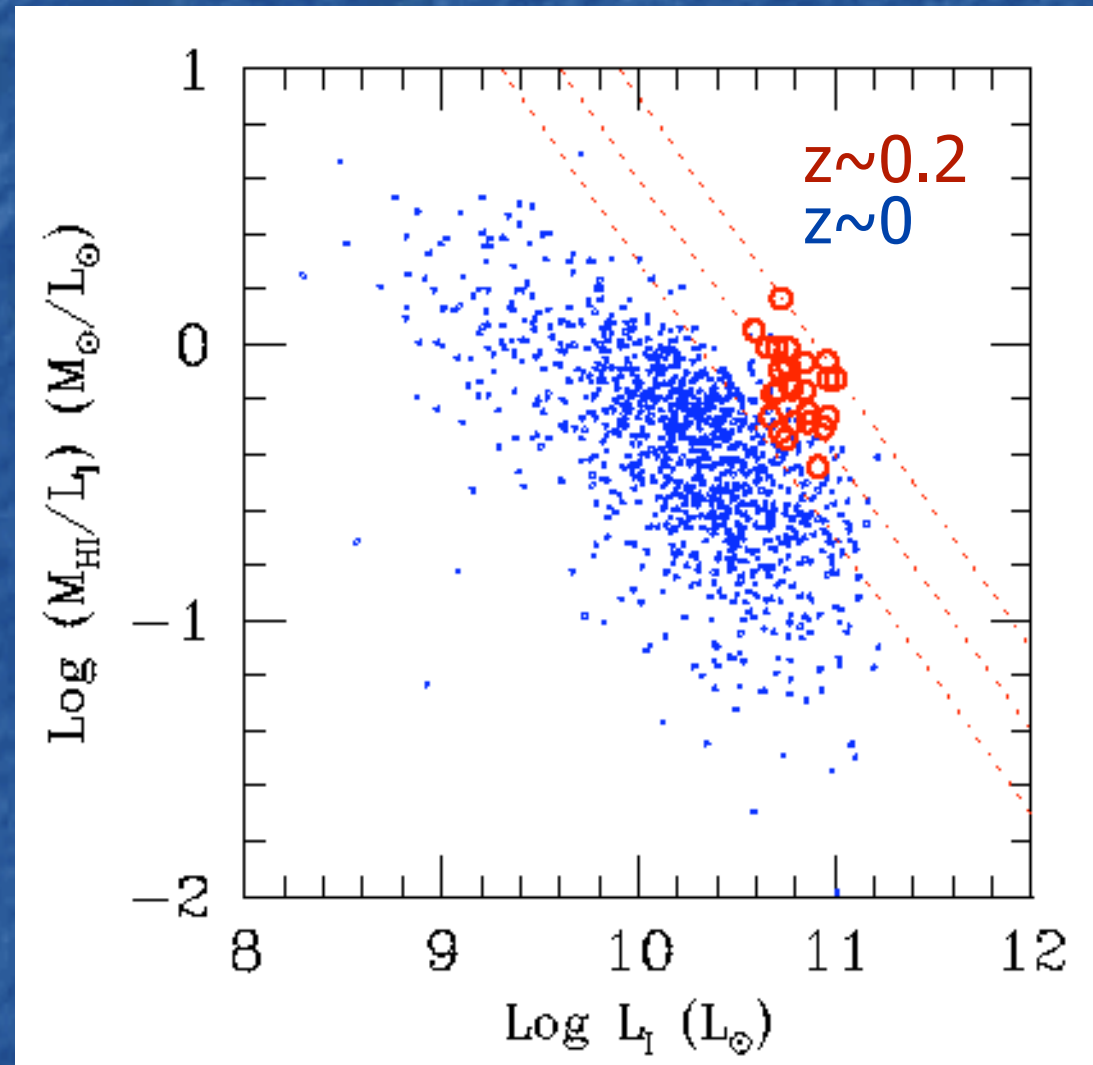
rotational velocity



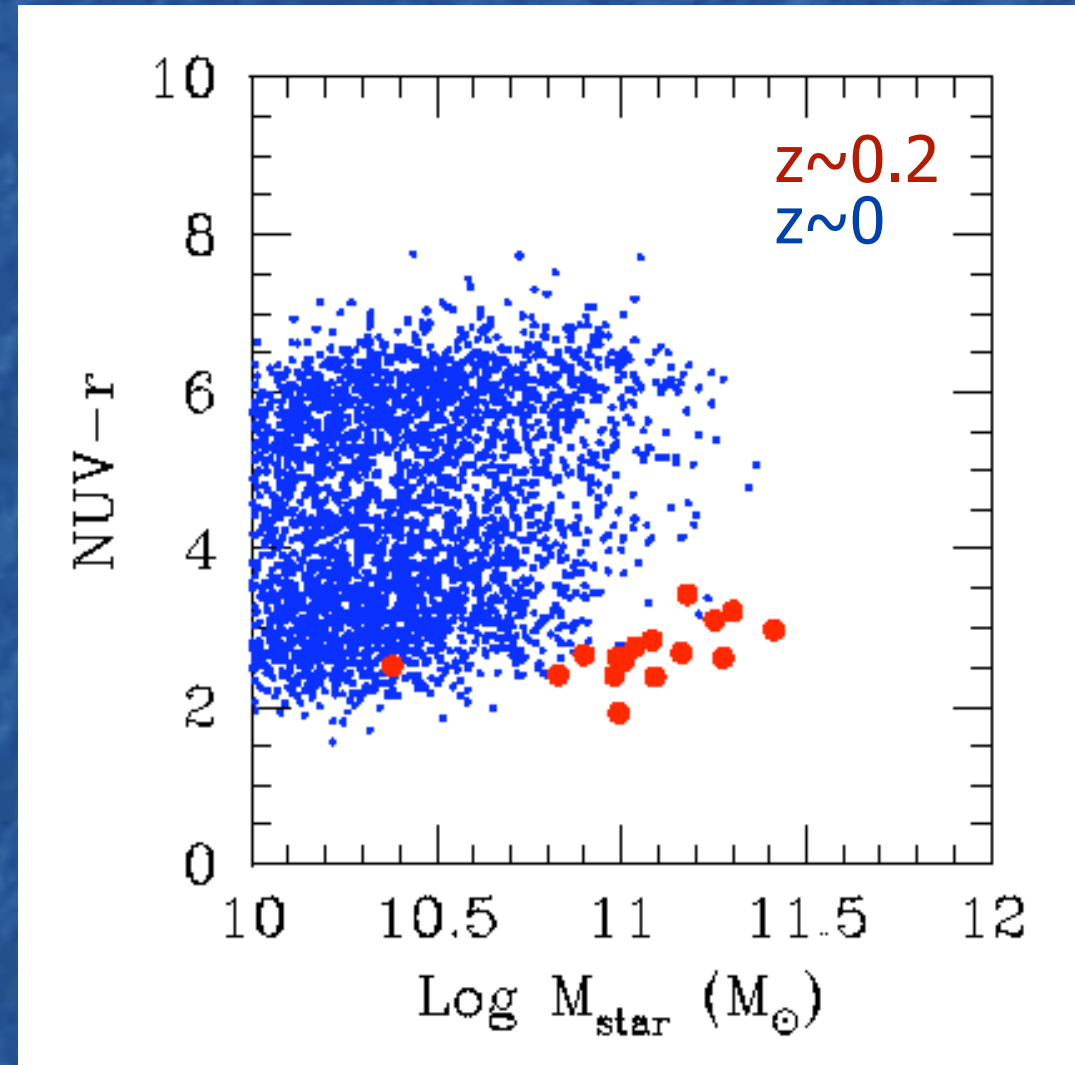
HI mass

$z \sim 0.2$ detections: not your typical $z=0$ disks

HI mass-to-light ratio vs I-band L



NUV-r vs stellar mass



- Rare objects in the nearby universe (selection effects!)
- Evolution? Need fair sample of massive (M_{HI} , M_{\star}), $z \sim 0$ galaxies for comparison, currently not available

GALEX Arecibo SDSS Survey (GASS)

D. Schiminovich (PI), B. Catinella, G. Kauffmann et al.

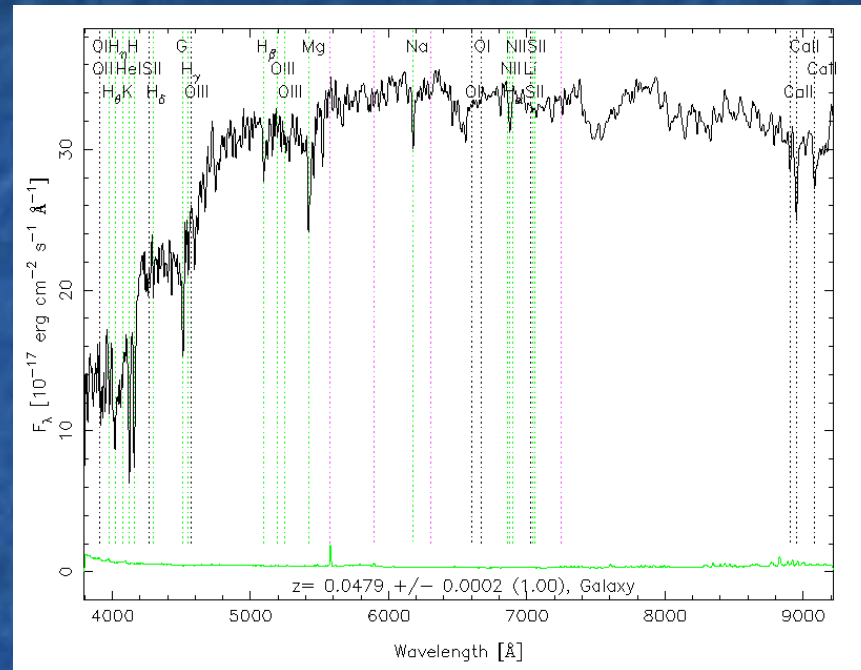
- ▶ Targeted HI survey: ~ 1000 galaxies selected from SDSS+GALEX +ALFALFA footprints, $0.025 < z < 0.05$, $10 < \log M_{\star}/M_{\odot} < 11.5$
- ▶ Galaxies observed down to gas mass fraction limit of 1.5%
- ▶ Arecibo large program, observations started in March 2008 (see Catinella et al. 2008 AIP Conf. Proc. for details)
- ▶ First statistical sample of massive galaxies with homogeneously measured M_{\star} , SFR and gas properties

→ Ideal $z \sim 0$ sample for comparison with massive, HI-rich $z \sim 0.2$ detections

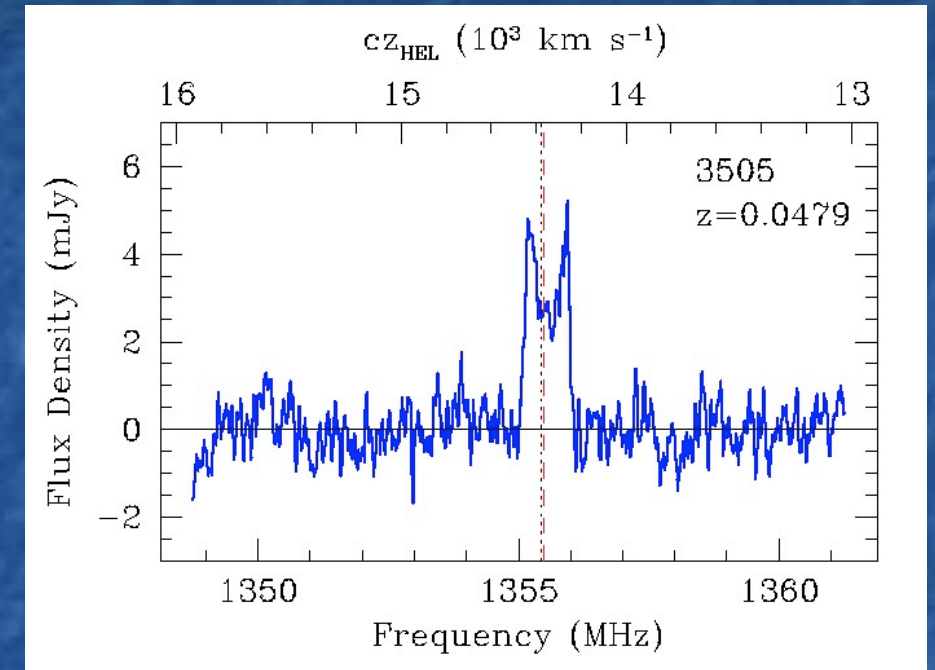
→ Main goal: understanding physical processes that regulate gas accretion and its conversion into stars in massive systems. Transition between blue cloud and red sequence.

<http://www.mpa-garching.mpg.de/GASS>

GASS 3505: a gas-rich, “red and dead” galaxy

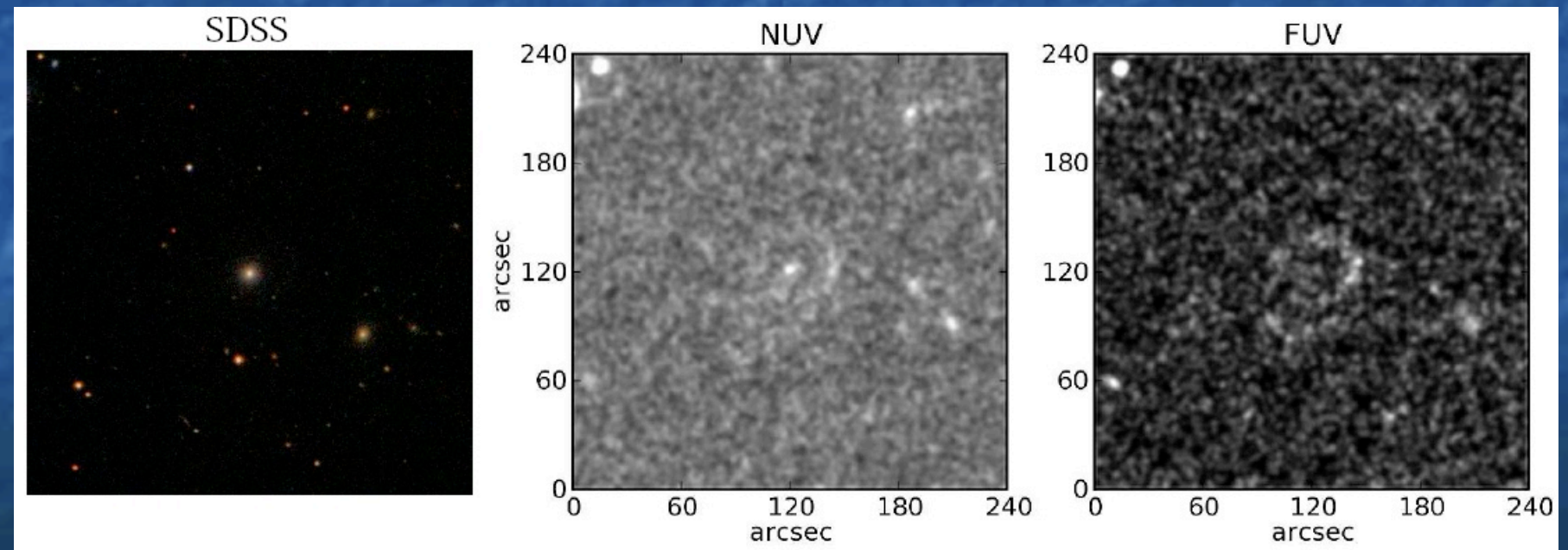


SDSS



Arecibo HI

No emission lines
 $z=0.048$
 $\text{NUV-r}=5.9$
 $\log M_\star/M_\odot = 10.21$
 $\log M_{\text{HI}}/M_\odot = 9.85$
 $M_{\text{HI}}/M_\star = 44\%$



SDSS + GALEX, 4' (~220 kpc) field

Summary and outlook: the EVLA

- ▶ Arecibo can detect HI emission from isolated galaxies at $z > 0.2$. This sample includes the highest redshift detections to date!!
- ▶ Galaxies detected are very gas-rich and massive → rare at $z=0$

Future

- ▶ Move beyond pilot programs: well-defined samples at $z \sim 0.2$ and higher
- ▶ Need good comparison samples at $z=0$, too (e.g., GASS survey)
- ▶ Many challenges: RFI, instrumentation...
- ▶ HI DEEP SURVEYS WITH THE EVLA
- ▶ Arecibo and WSRT/EVLA complementary: low-density vs. medium/high-density regions