

COULD WE IMPROVE OUR GALAXY SIZE MEASUREMENTS AT VERY HIGH REDSHIFT?



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GEELSBE2

Galaxy Edges and Euclid in the Low Surface Brightness Era



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**Stephan's
Quintet and
NGC7331
Deer Lick
Group**

SDSS

**Surface
brightness
magnitude
limit
(g-band)
26.5 mag
arcsec⁻²**



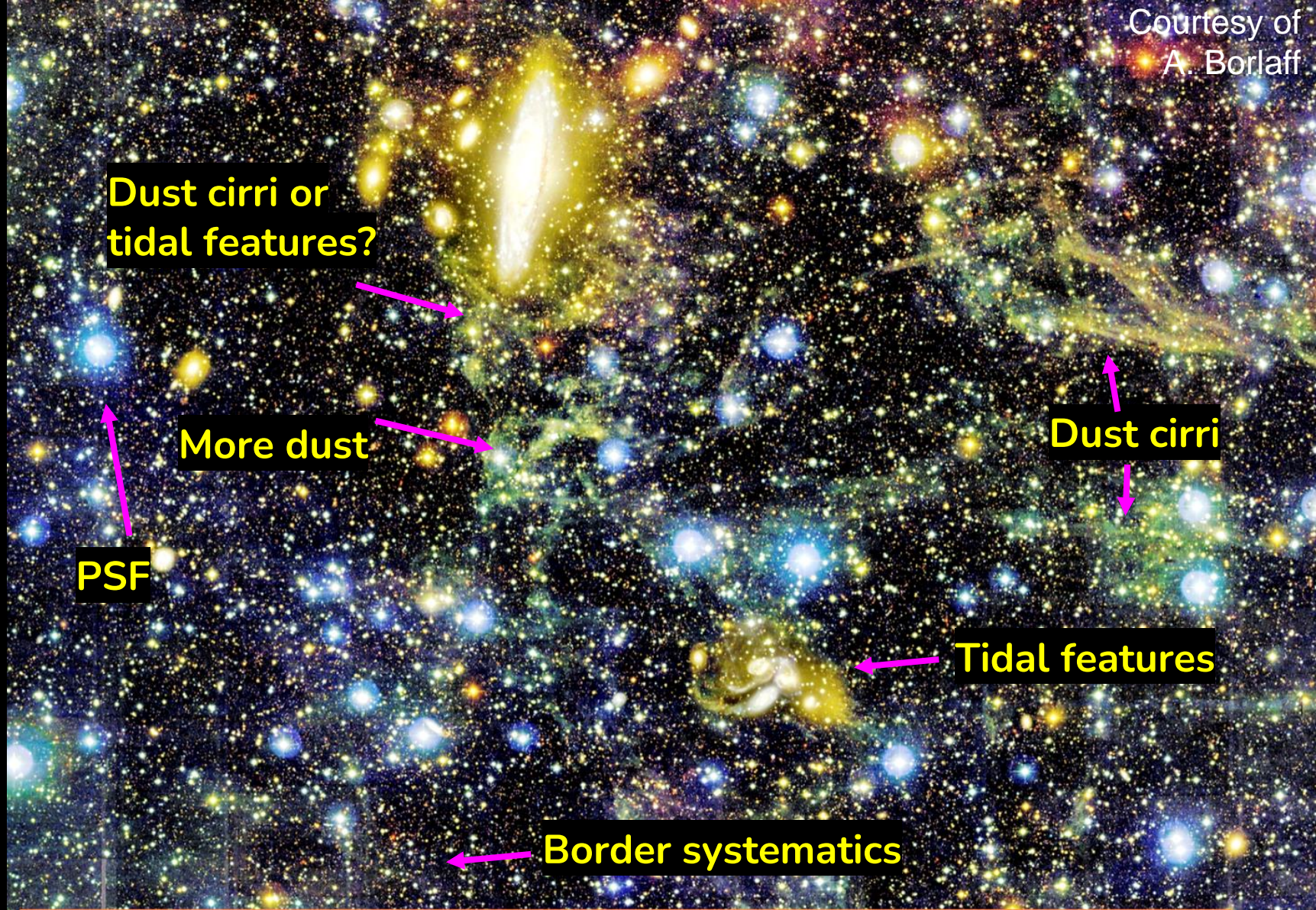
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(CFHT)

Duc,
Cuillandre &
Renaud
(2018)

Surface
brightness
magnitude limit
(u, g, r bands)
29.0, 28.6, and
27.6 mag
 arcsec^{-2}



Dust cirri or
tidal features?

More dust

PSF

Dust cirri

Tidal features

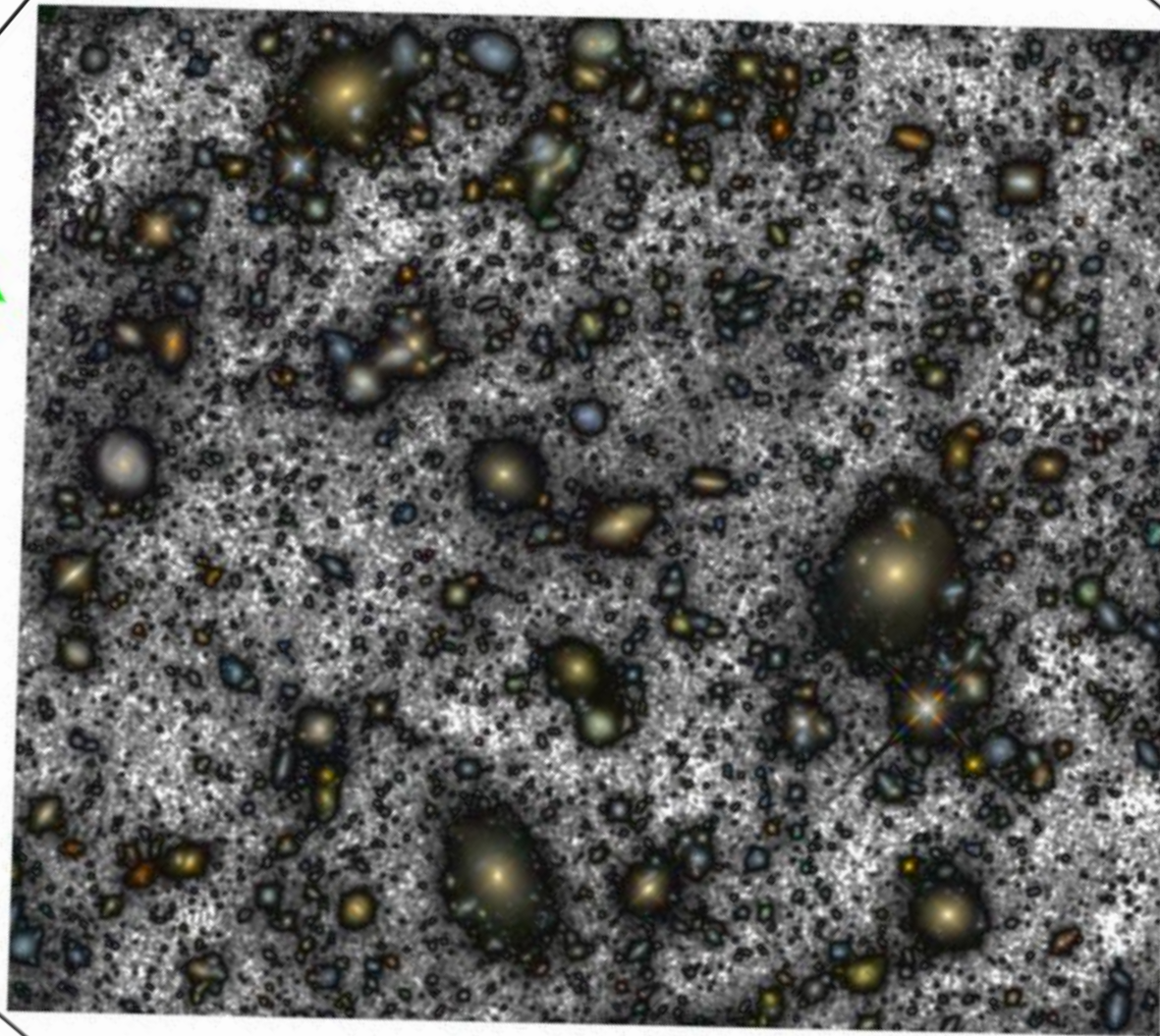
Border systematics

WE ARE
NOT AN
ENEMY
FOR HIGH-Z
SCIENCE



HST's eXtreme
Deep Field
(Illingworth+13)

1'00"
10'00"
 α (DD mm)
ABYSS WFC3 IR HUDF:
Blue: F105W
Green: F125W+F140W
Red: F160W



ABYSS
rendition
(Borlaff+19)

47'30"
-27°48'00"
53.142
53.150
53.158
degrees

WHY ARE GALAXY SIZES INTERESTING?

- Direct observables of galaxy evolution
- The mass-size relation tell us that on average the more massive a galaxy is, the larger its size (e.g. Shen+03)
- Dramatic size evolution for the most massive galaxies have taught us many unexpected lessons (Buitrago+08, Van der Wel et al. 2014 and many more)

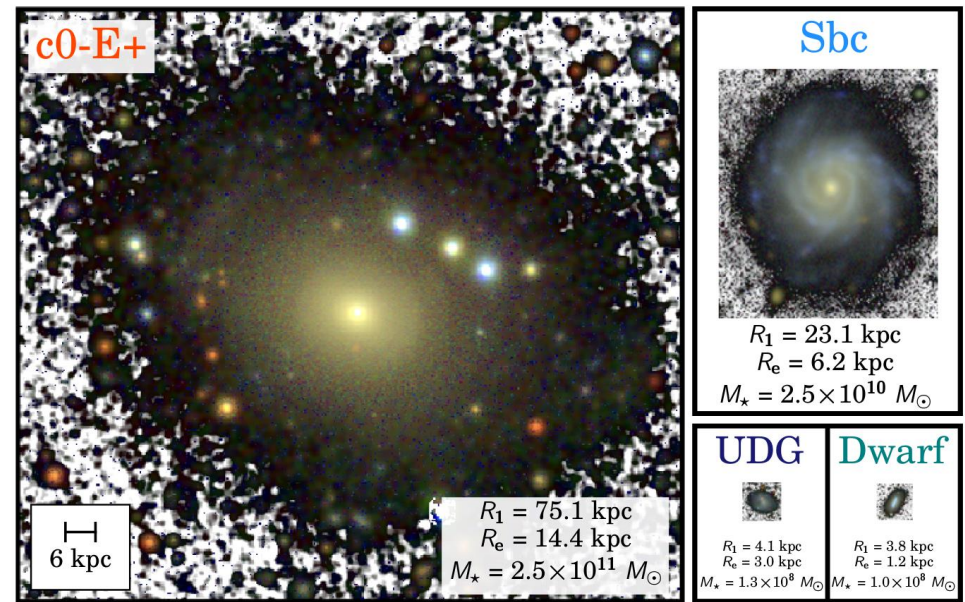


Figure 2: Representative galaxies shown to the same scale using images of the same depth ($\mu_{g,lim} = 29.2$ mag/arcsec² (3σ ; 10×10 arcsec²)). Credit: Chamba et al. (2020).

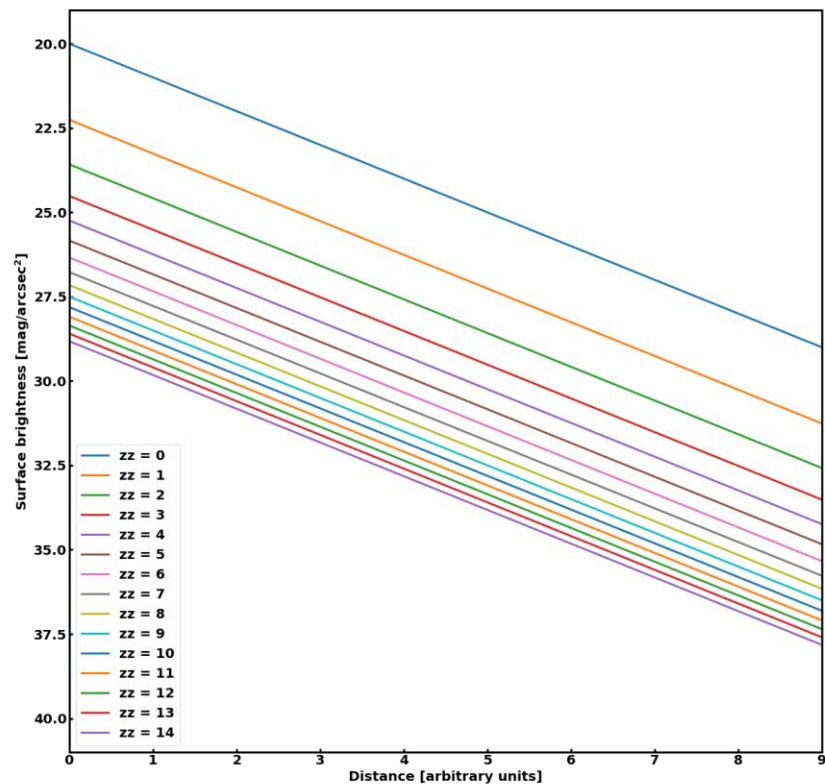
COSMOLOGICAL DIMMING

Tolman test: $(1+z)^4$ –bolometric case–

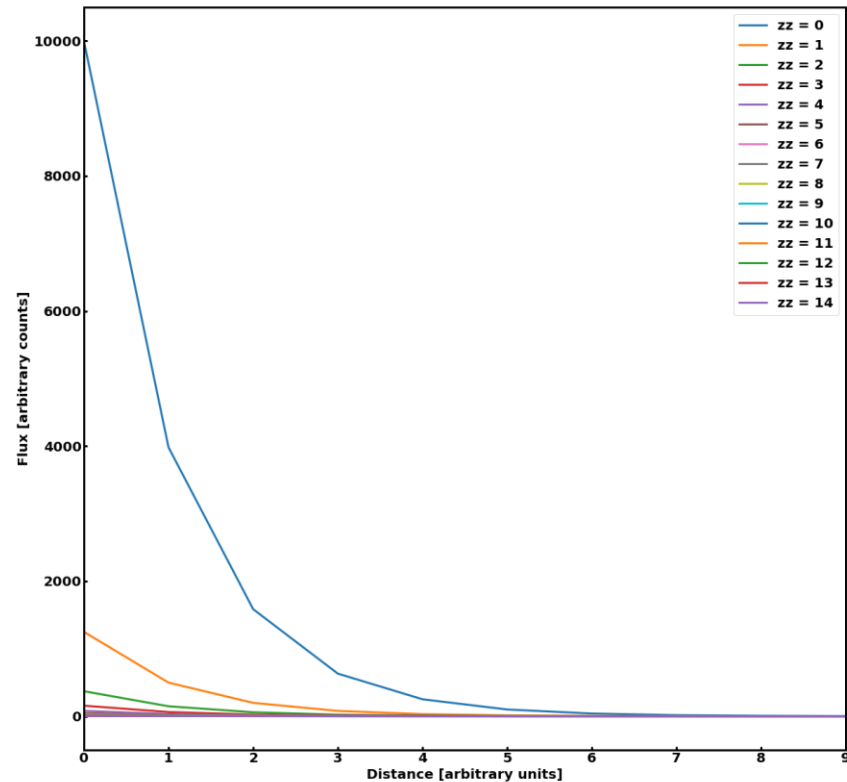
I_ν / ν^3 is a relativistic invariant (being I_ν the power per unit solid angle per unit of area normal to the propagation)

Thus, the surface brightness changes as $(1+z)^3$ times a correction that depends on spectral shape (see also Giavalisco+96, Law+07, Ribeiro+16)

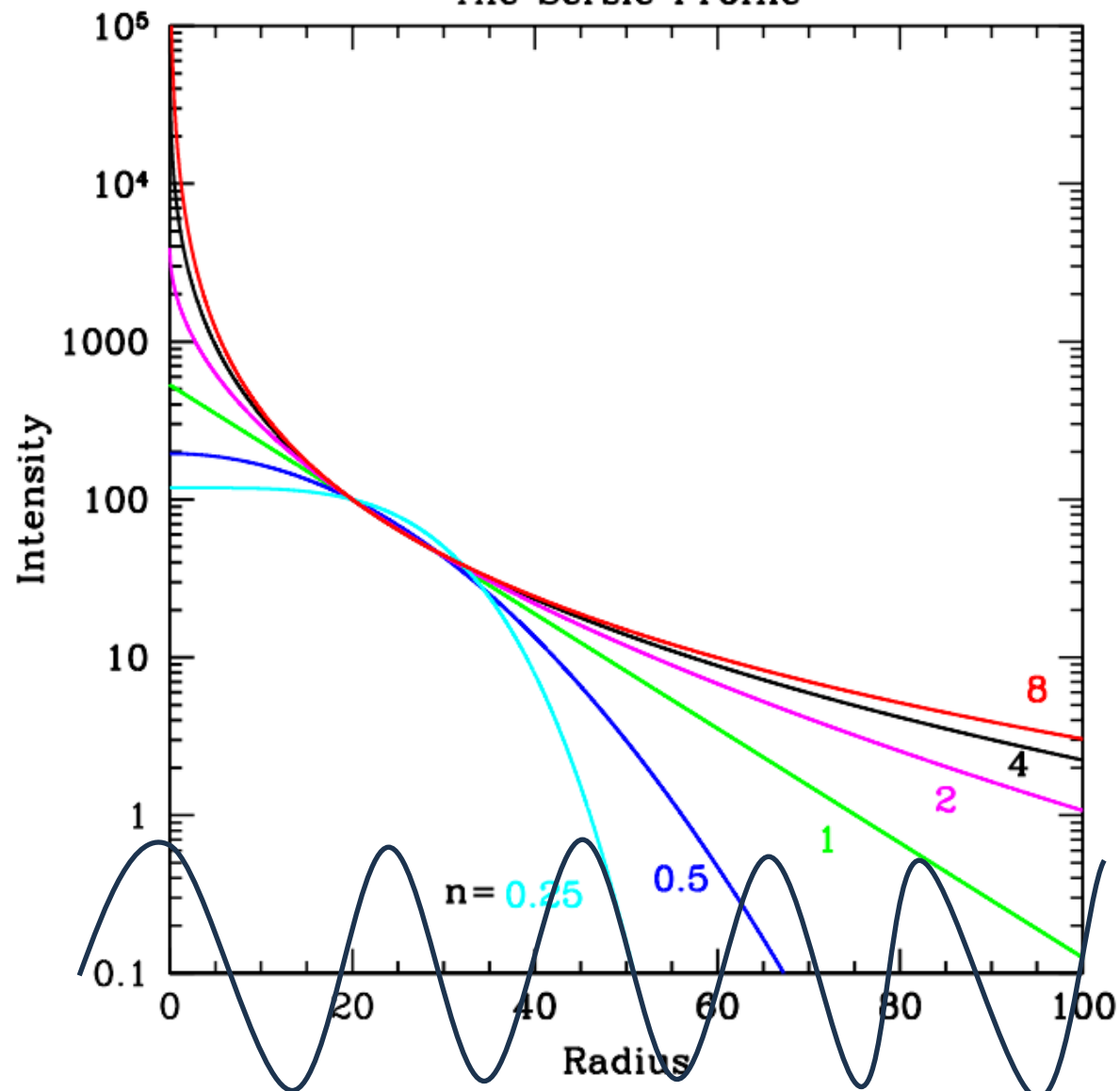
Surface brightness
change (log scale)



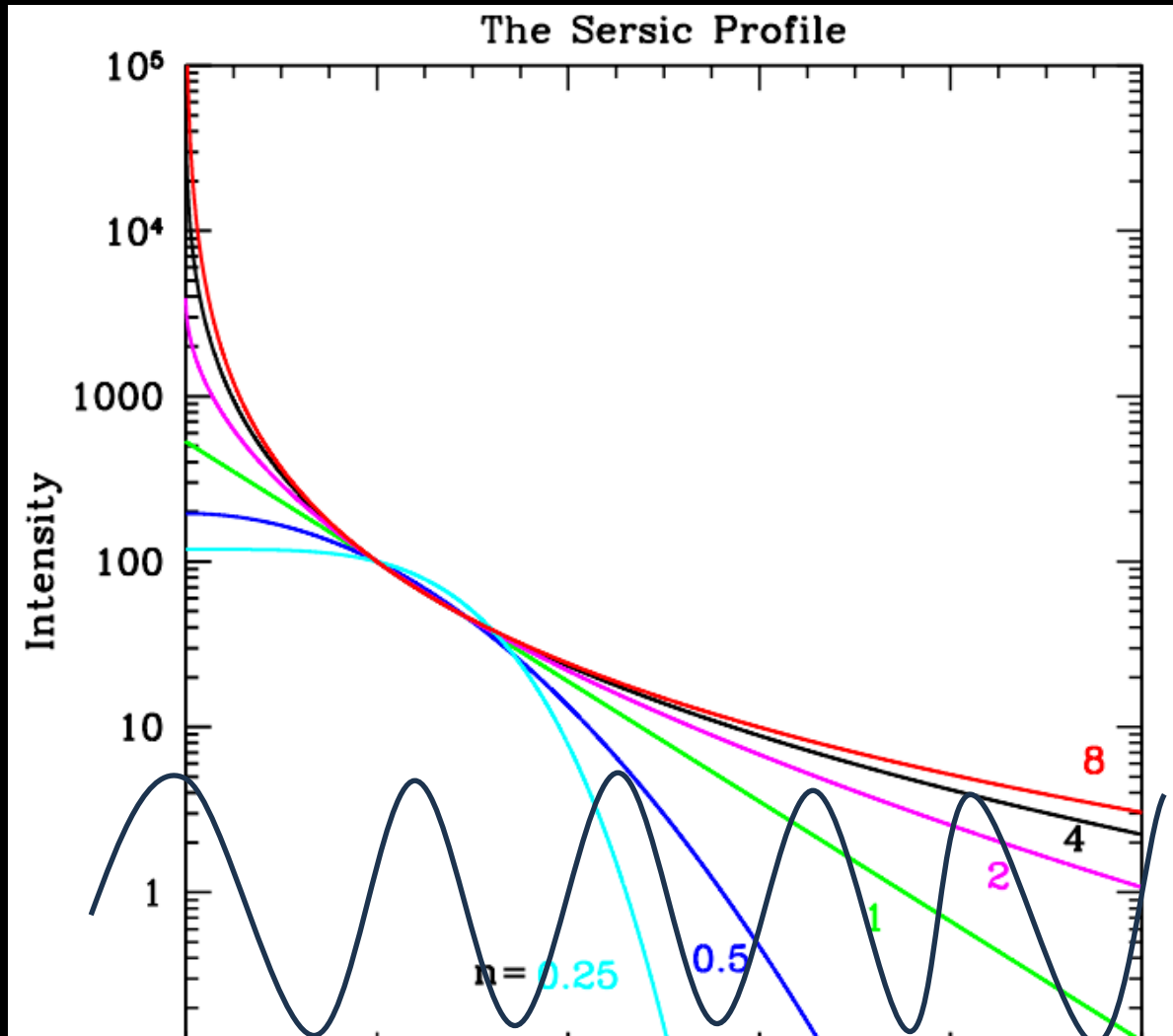
Surface brightness
change (linear scale)



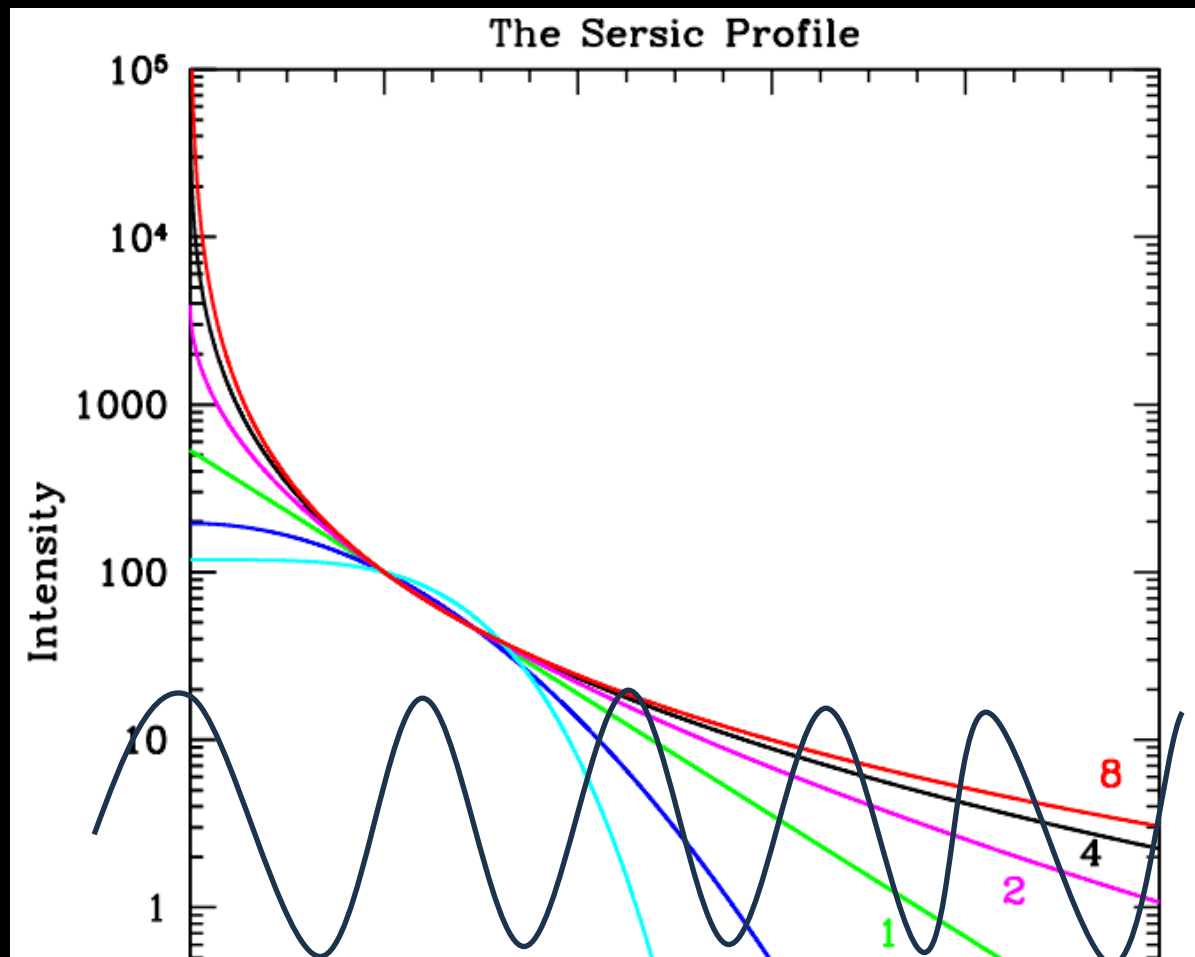
The Sersic Profile



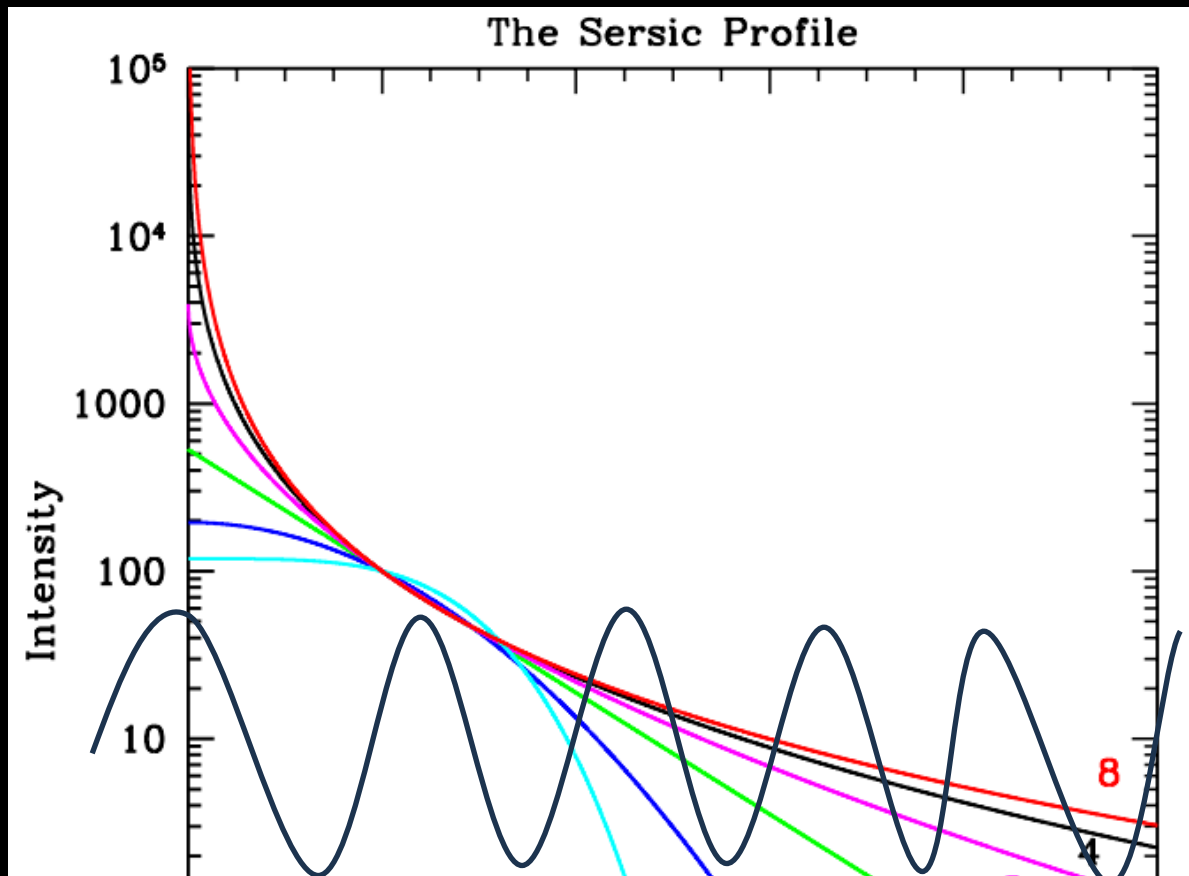
$z = 0$



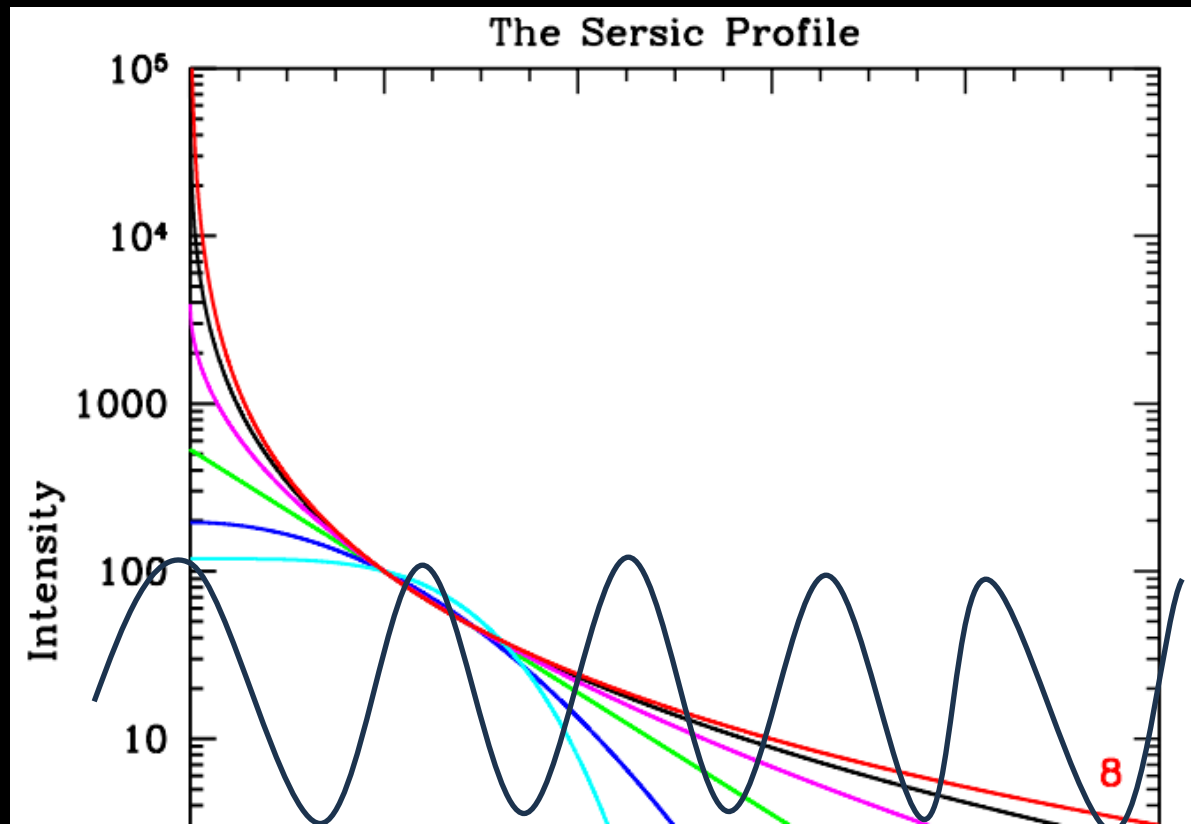
$z = 1$



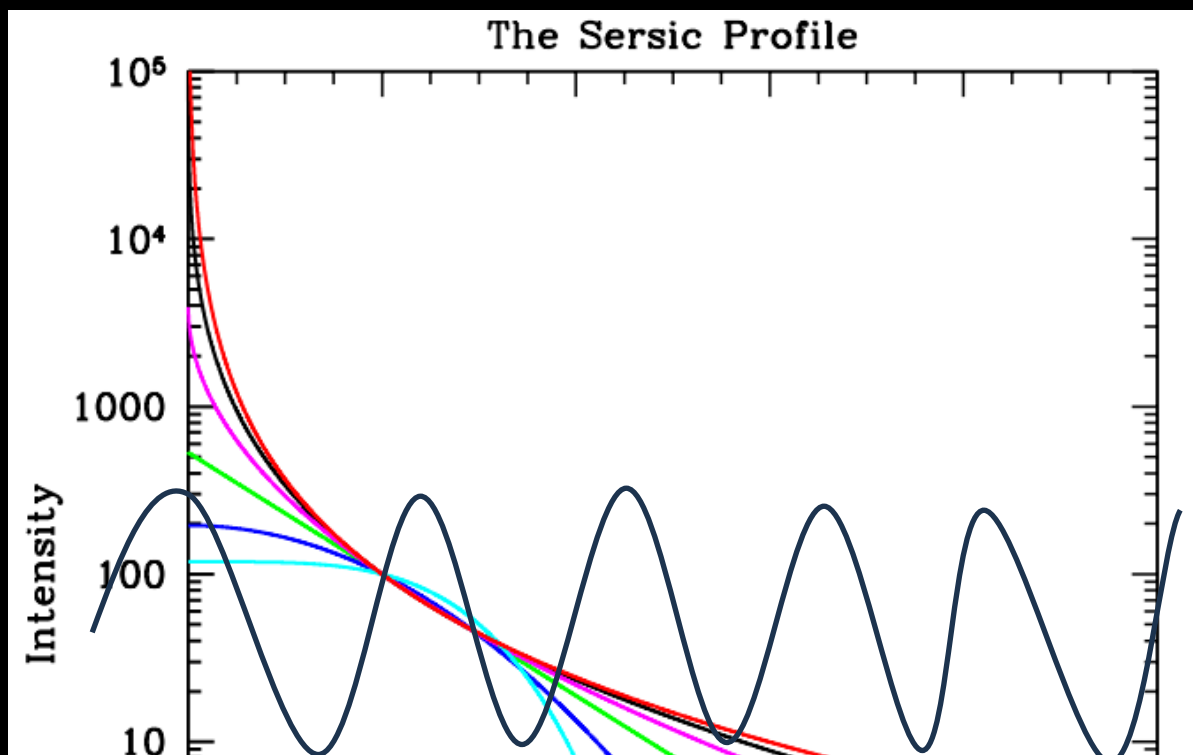
$z = 2$

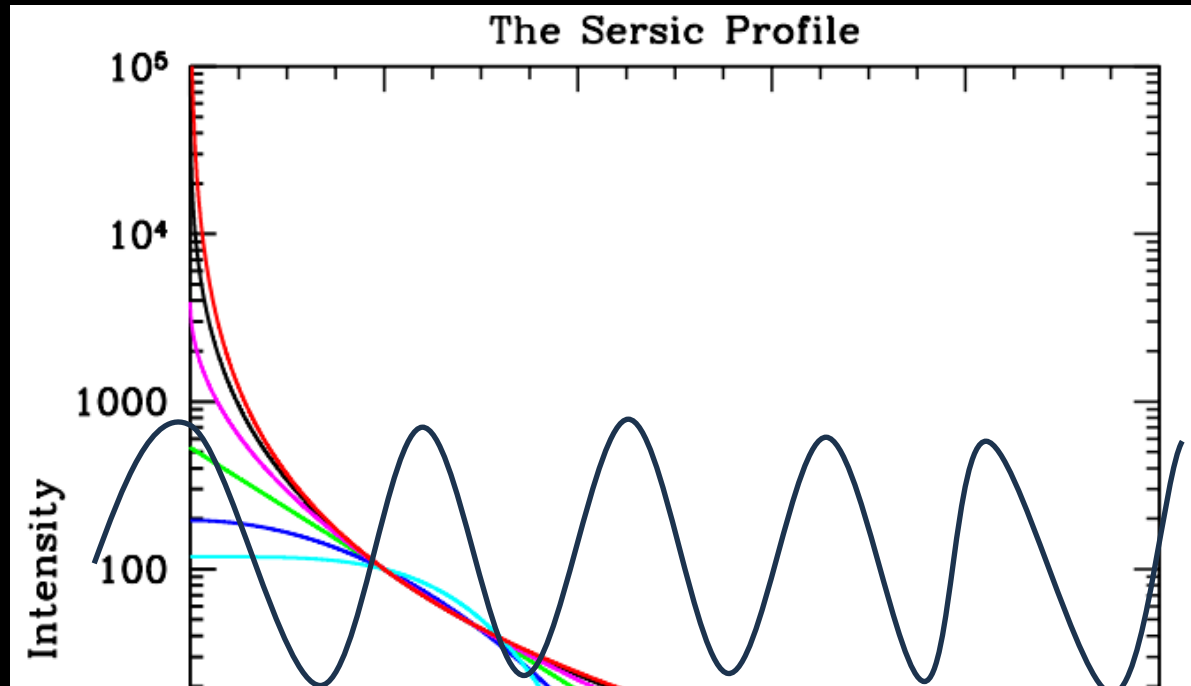


$n = 3$

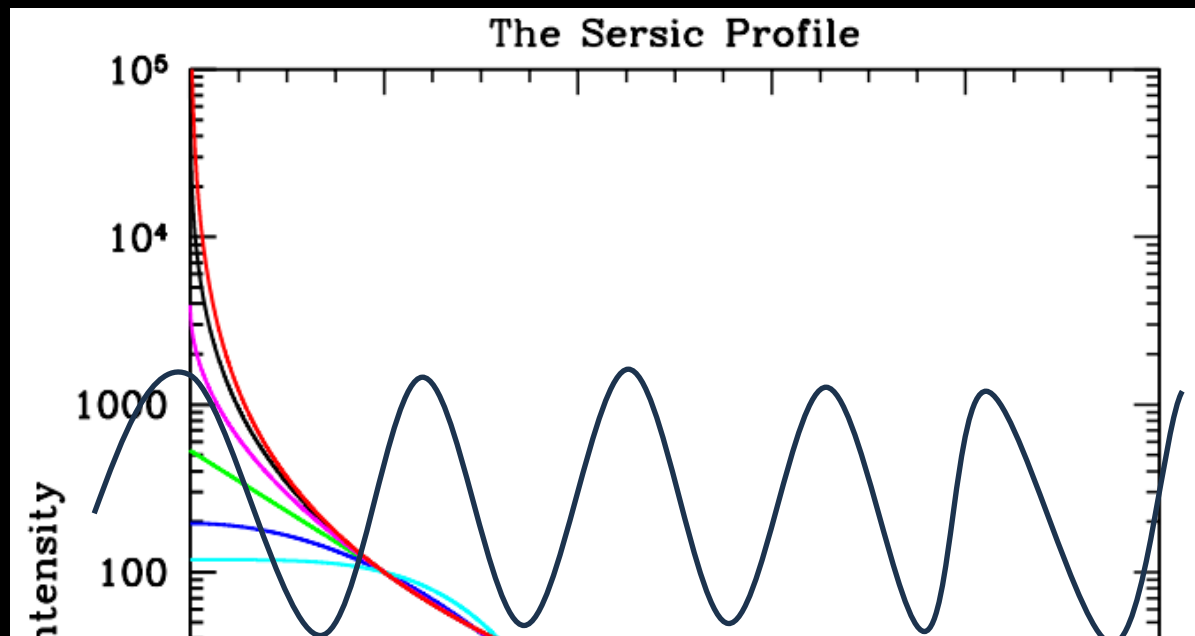


$z = 4$


$$z = 5$$

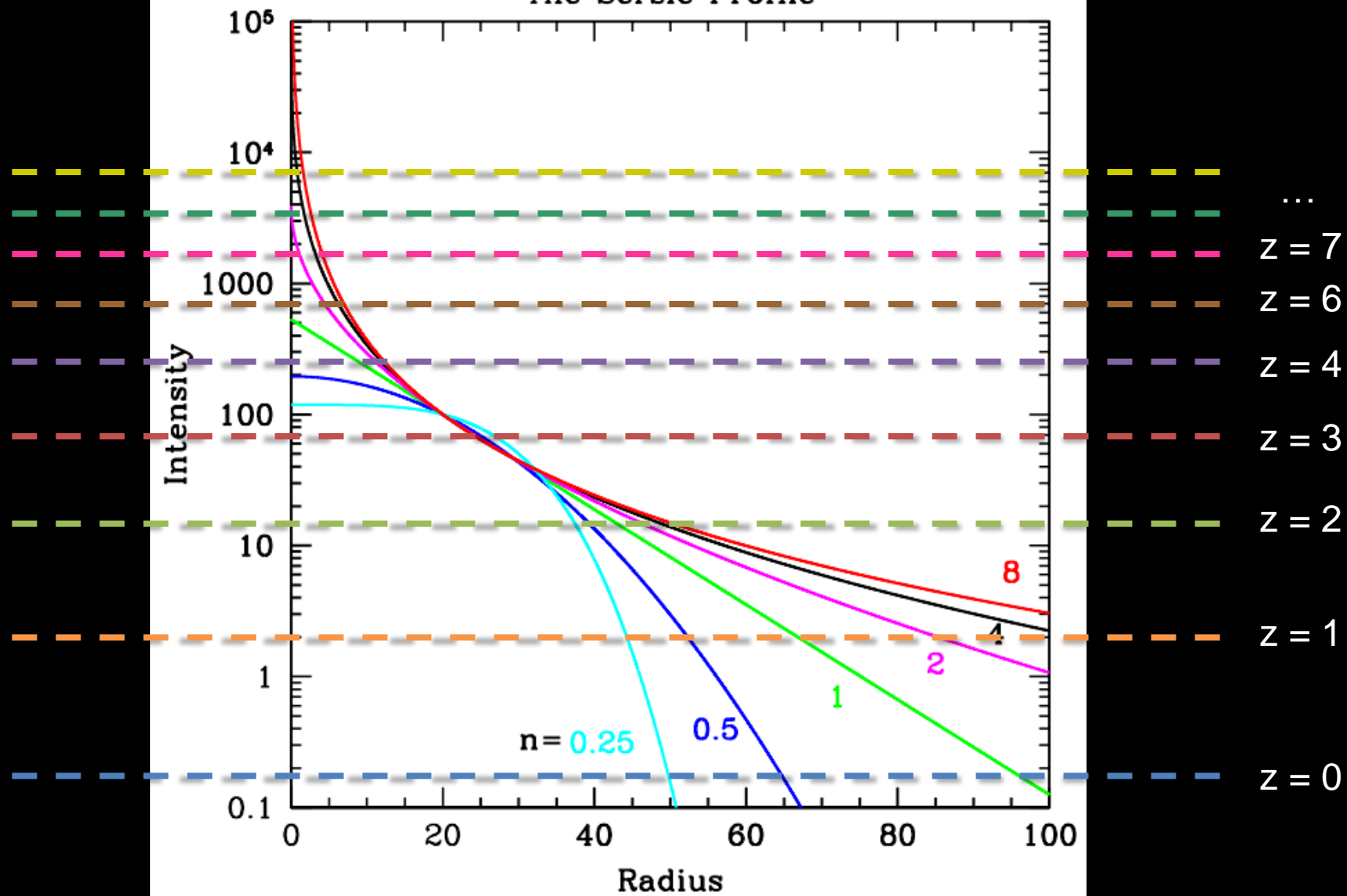


$z = 6$



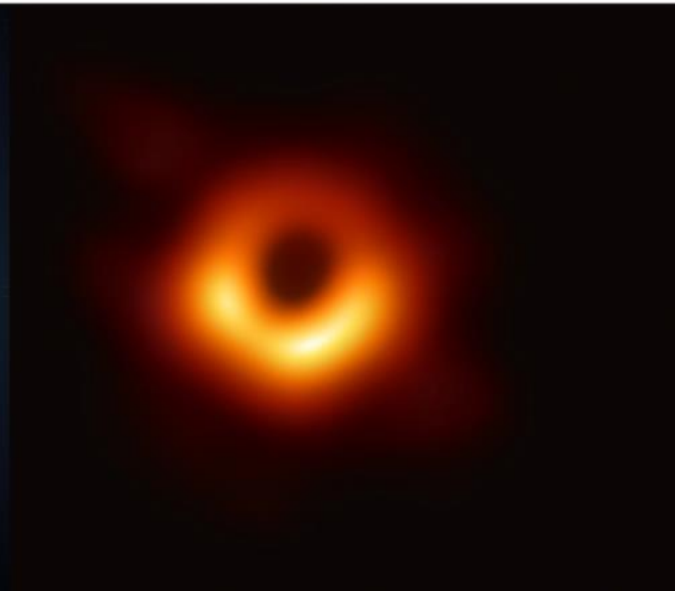
$z = 7$

The Sersic Profile



INSTAGRAM

REAL LIFE



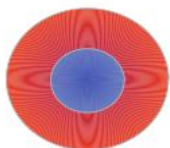
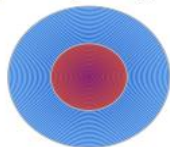
Place here you favourite galaxy

OTHER IMPORTANT EFFECTS

CMOD effect, Papaderos+23

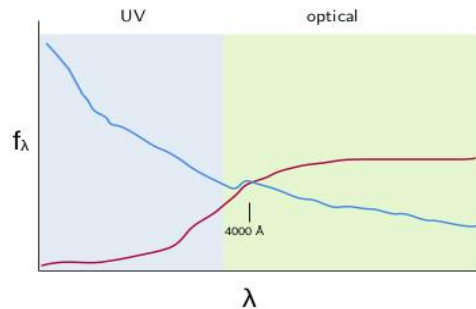


c inside-out SF quenching



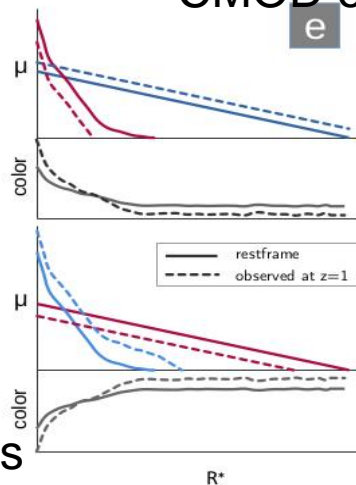
centrally confined SF

d

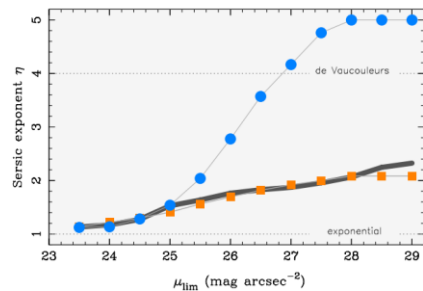
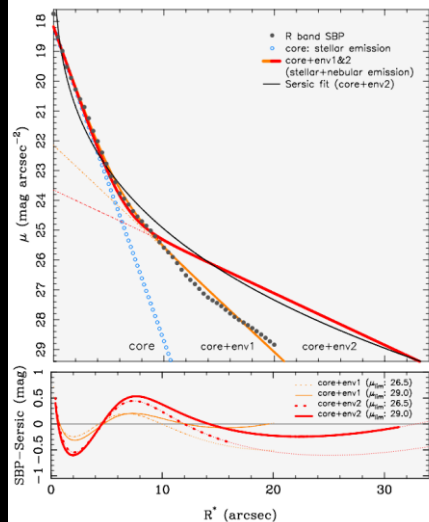
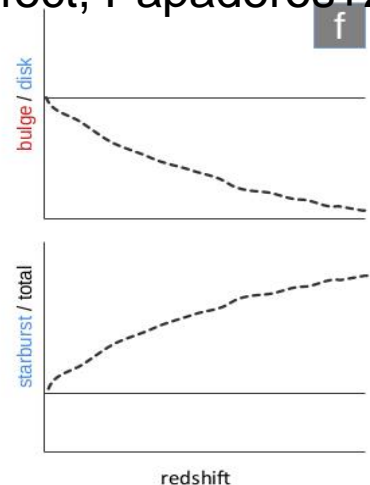


Very relevant for Ly α emitters

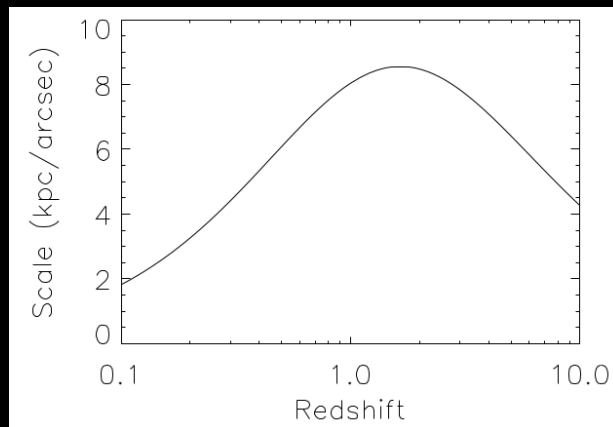
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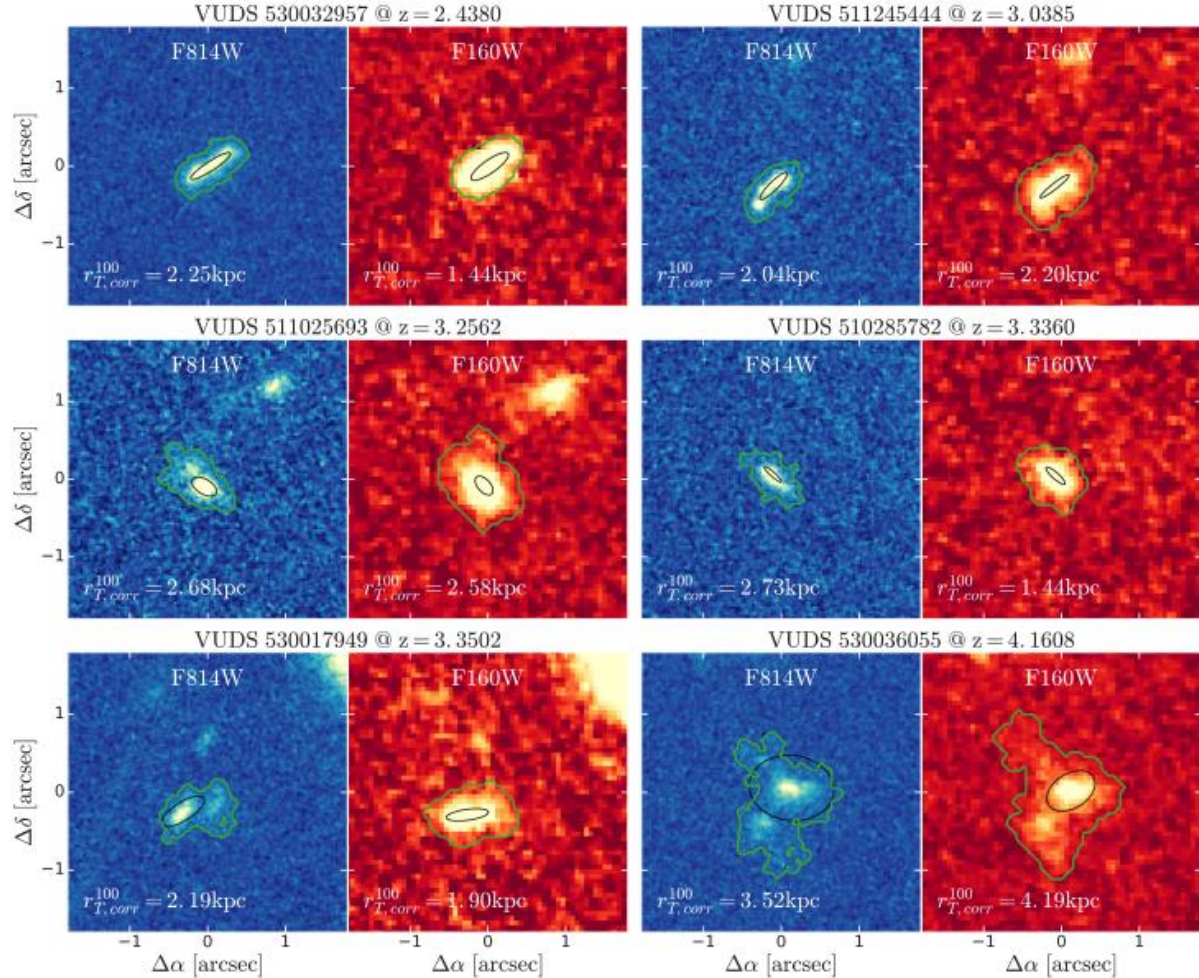
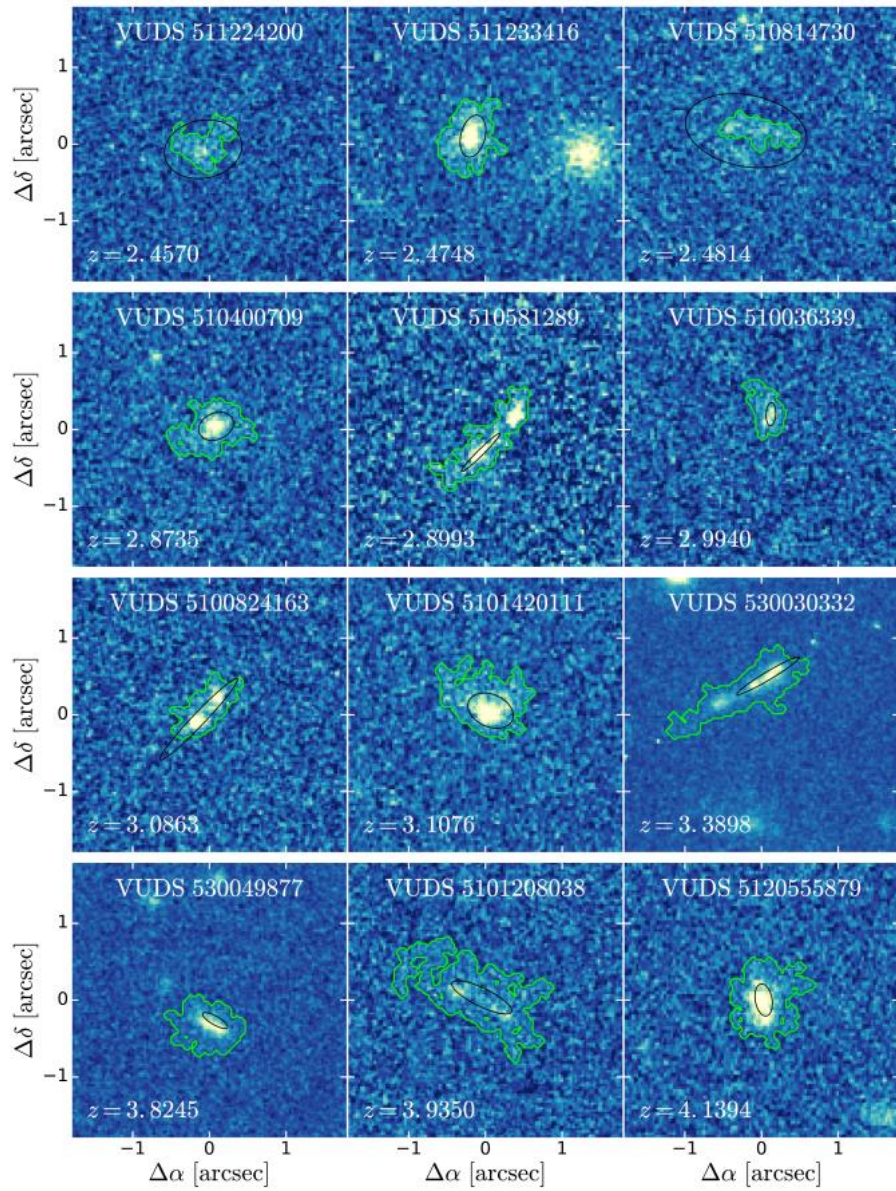
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Papaderos & Östlin (2012) Double exponential mimicking high Sérsic index



Change of the physical scale over z (from Epinat+10)

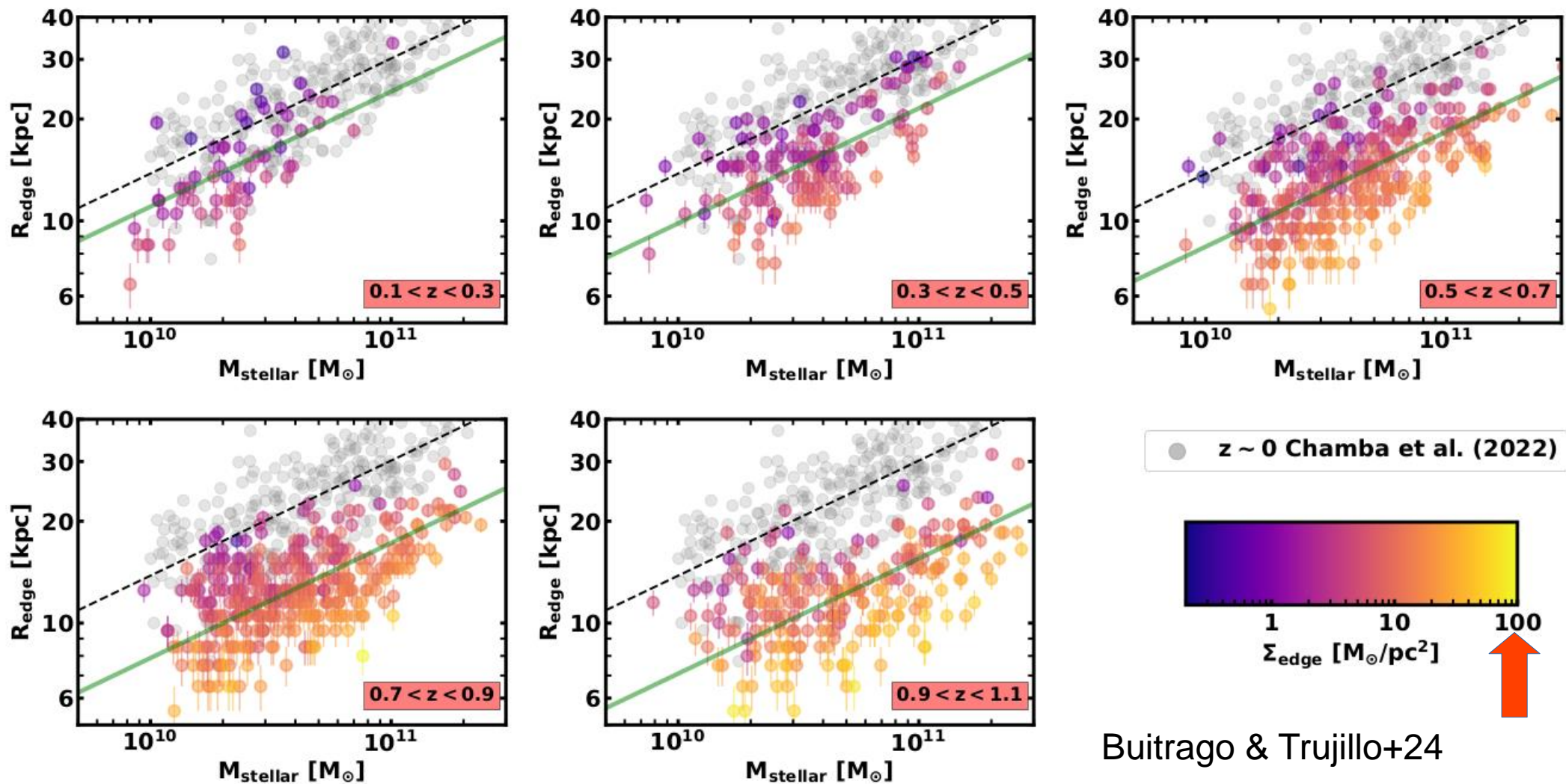


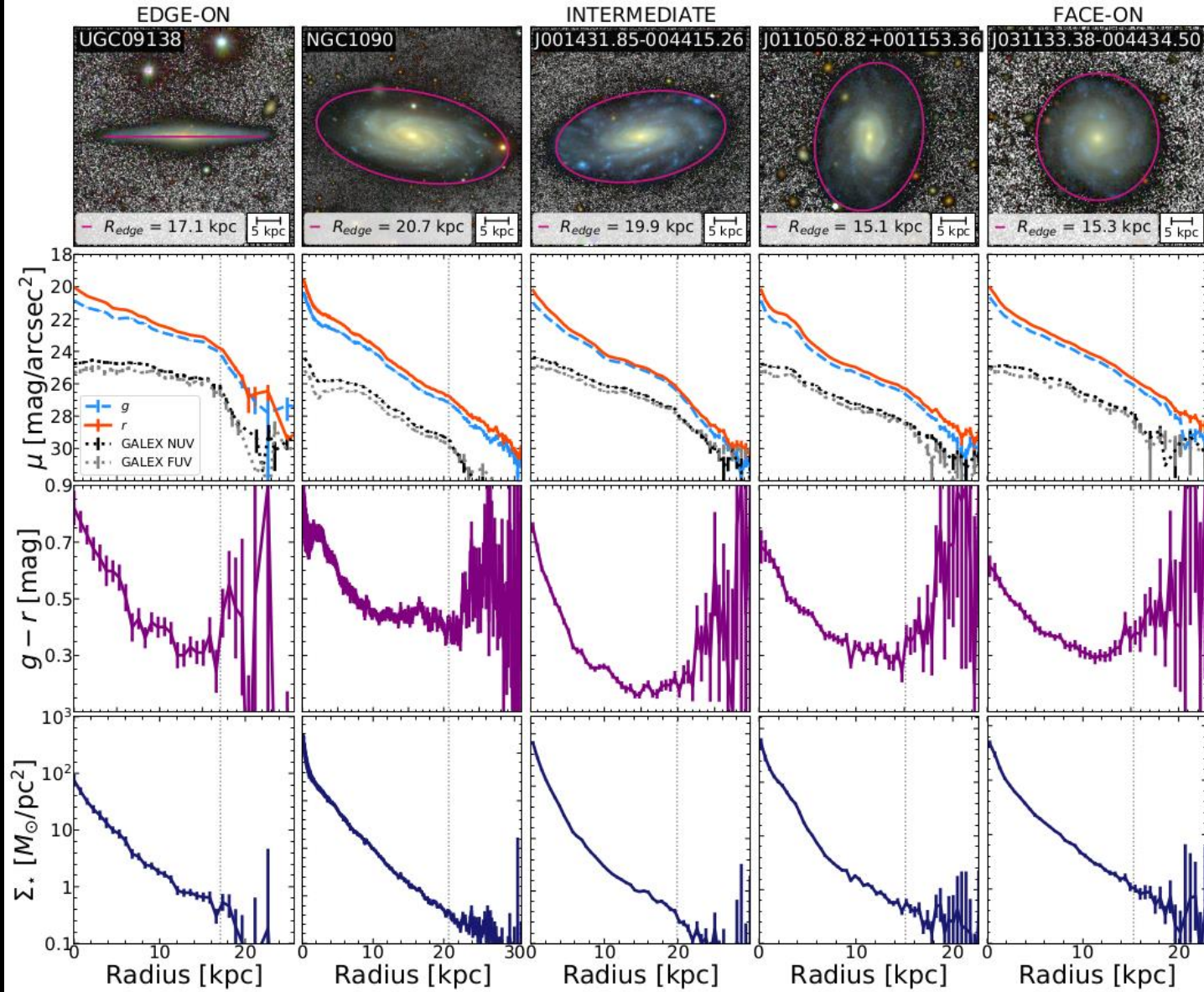
Ribeiro+16, star forming galaxies @ $2 < z < 4.5$

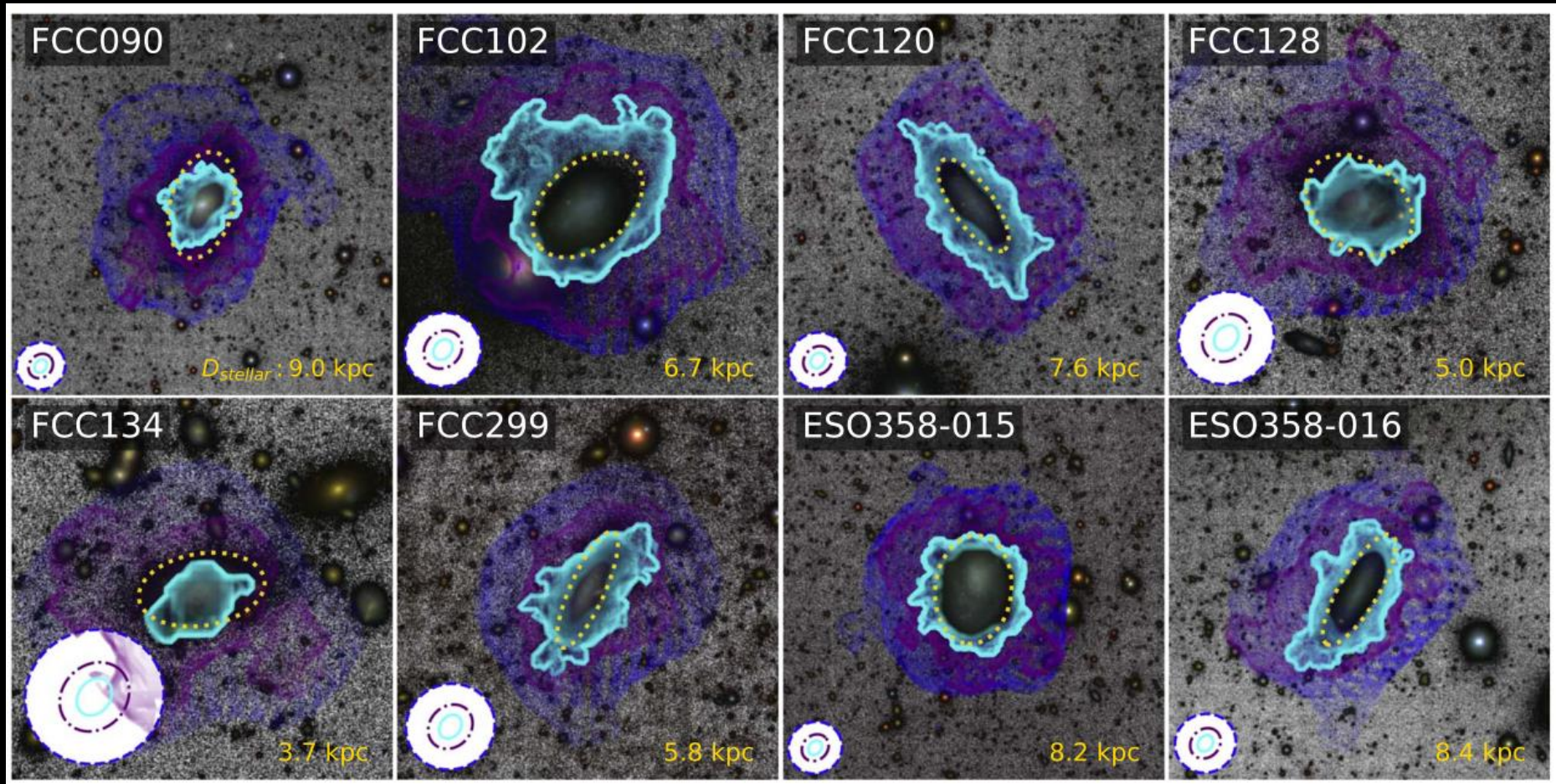
F814W $\Rightarrow 271 < \lambda[\text{nm}] < 148$

F160W $\Rightarrow 533 < \lambda[\text{nm}] < 291$

NEW MASS-SIZE RELATION



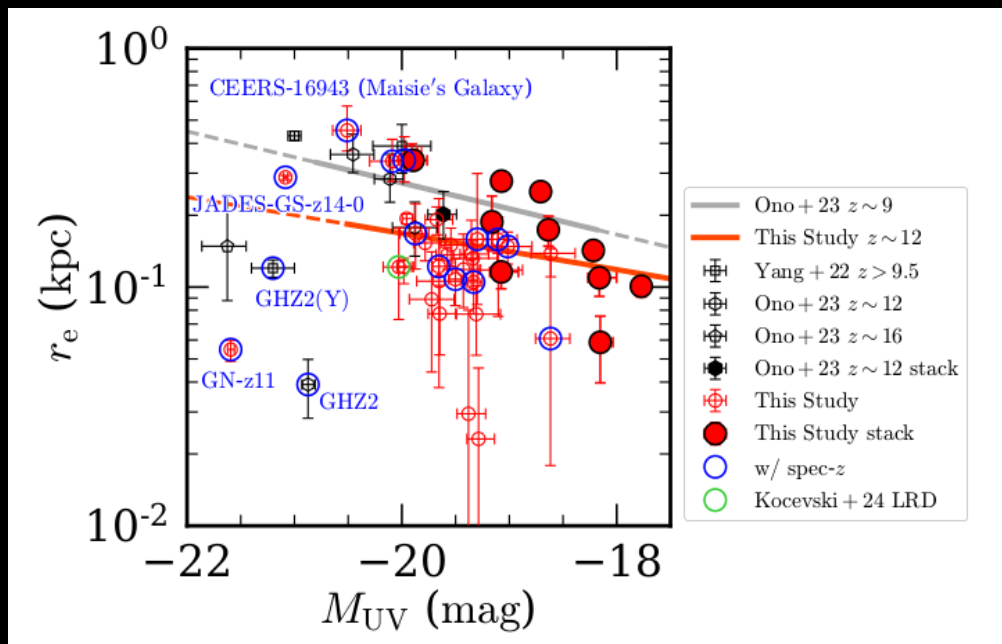




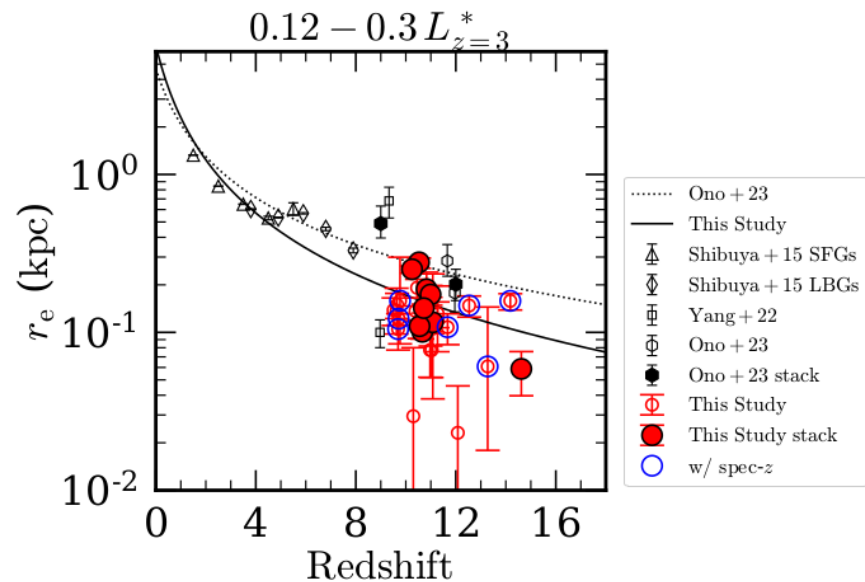
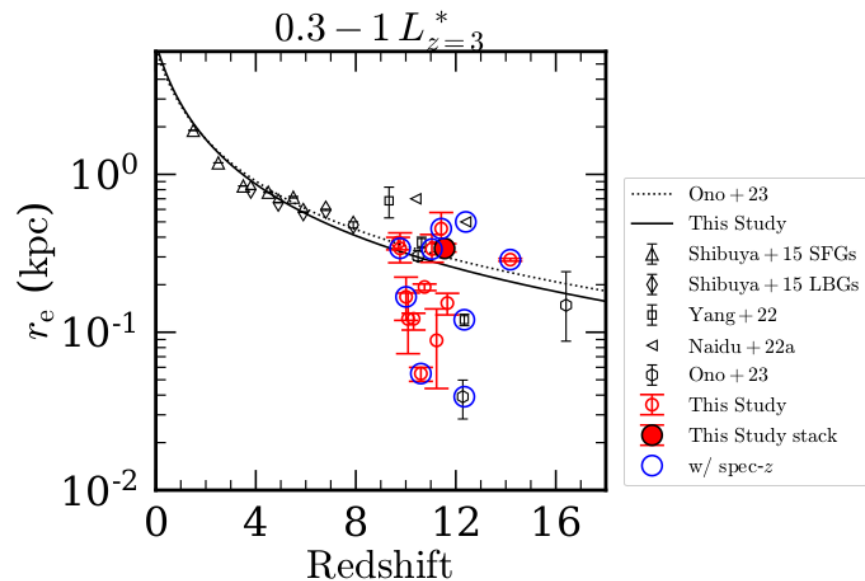
Chamba+24

As it is related with star formation, $\text{H}\alpha$ should be a better tracer...

WHAT DO PEOPLE KNOW AT $z \geq 10$?

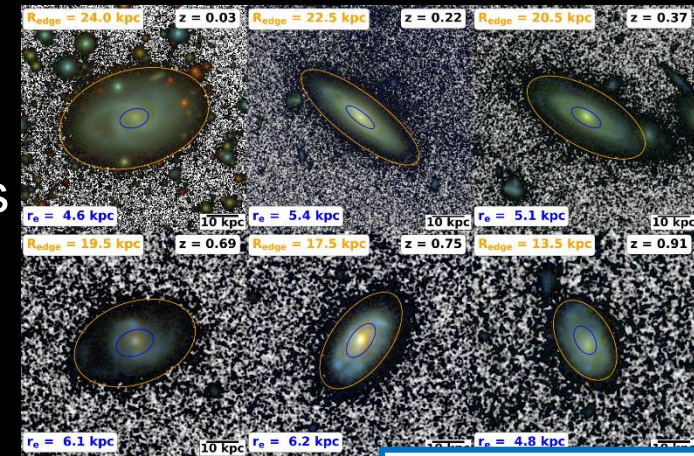


Ono+25



CONCLUSIONS

- The **Low Surface Brightness (LSB)** universe help us realizing that, when studying galaxies, we are looking at **the tip of the iceberg**
- Can we do better? Not at $z > 2-3$, **effective radii are arbitrary and biased by light concentration** but perhaps our only tool at very high z 😊
- Help us with our quest to **find truncations** by other means
- **Galaxies are not Sersic functions**
- **Report your biases** (we all have many!), compare pears with pears and do not expect perfect scaling relations



Buitrago & Trujillo (2024)