

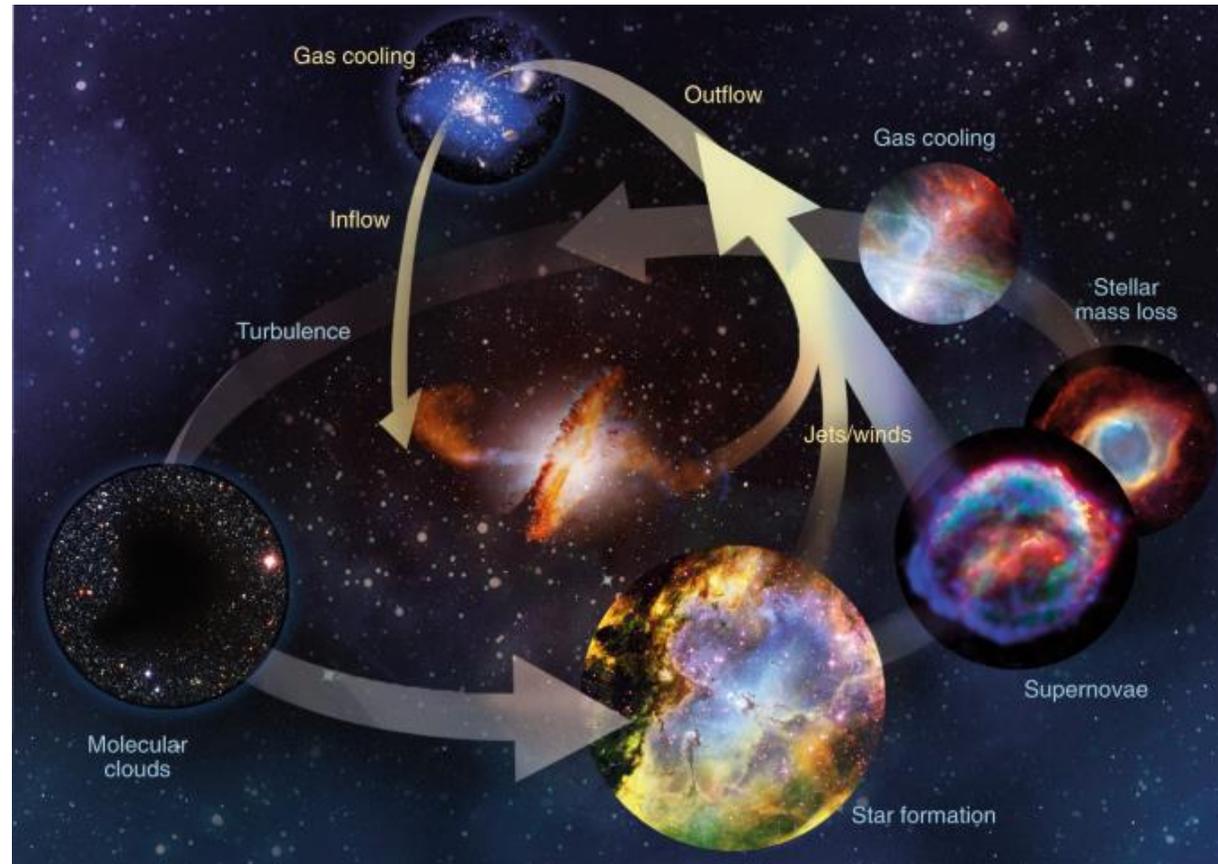
# Unveiling Early Galaxy Evolution Through Gas Kinematics

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# Galaxy Evolution



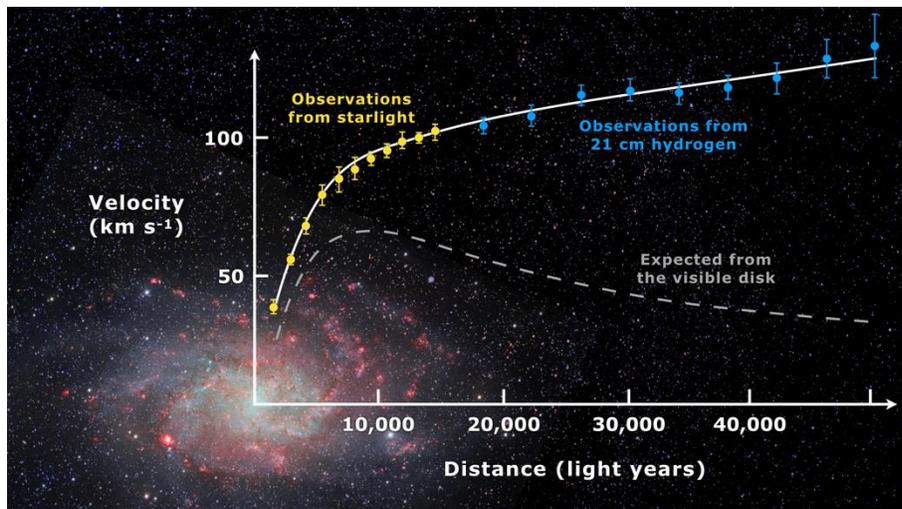
*“Many aspects of star and galaxy formation can be viewed as a cosmic tug-of-war between feedback and gravitational collapse”*

# Tracer of gravity

## Circular motions probe mass distribution including star, gas, and dark matter

Galaxies w/ ordered rotation:

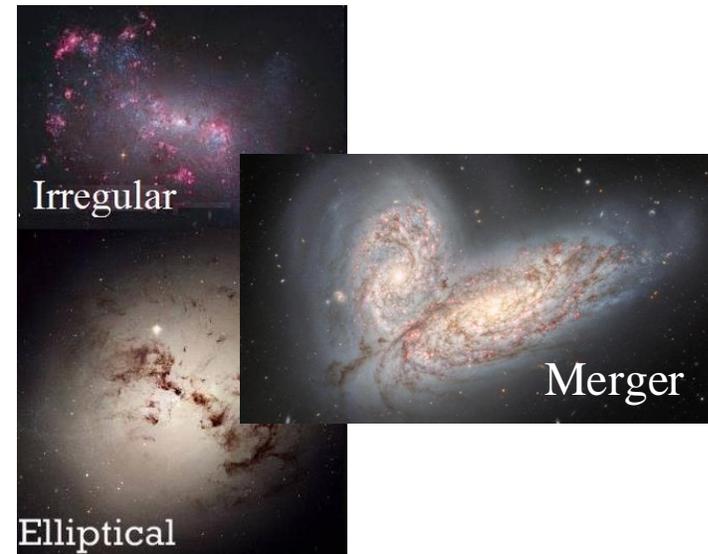
$$M_{\text{dyn}}(< R) = v_{\text{rot}}(R)^2 R / G$$



*Image credit: Mario De Leo*

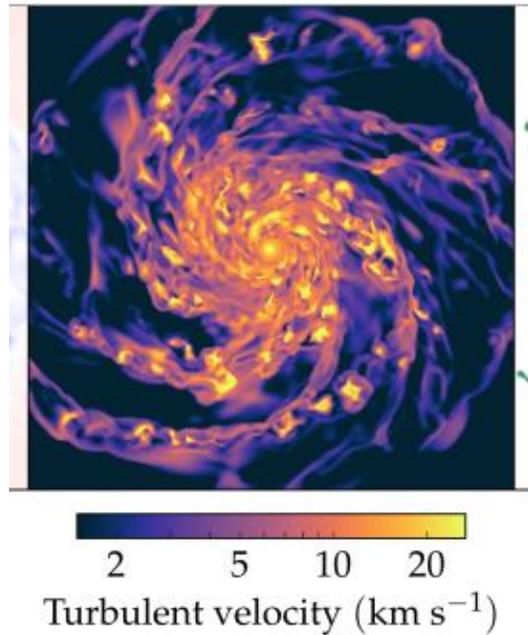
Galaxies w/o ordered rotation:

$$M_{\text{dyn}} = a \sigma_{\text{eff}}^2 R_{\text{eff}} / G ?$$

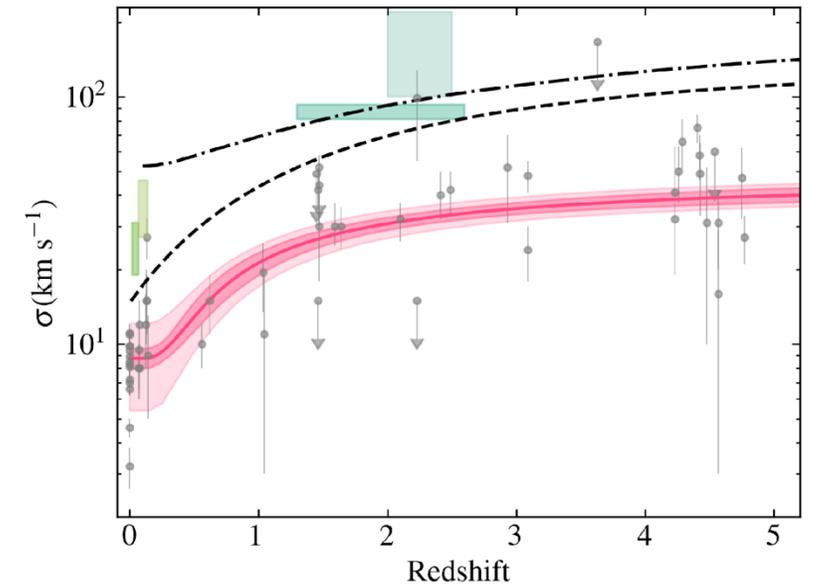
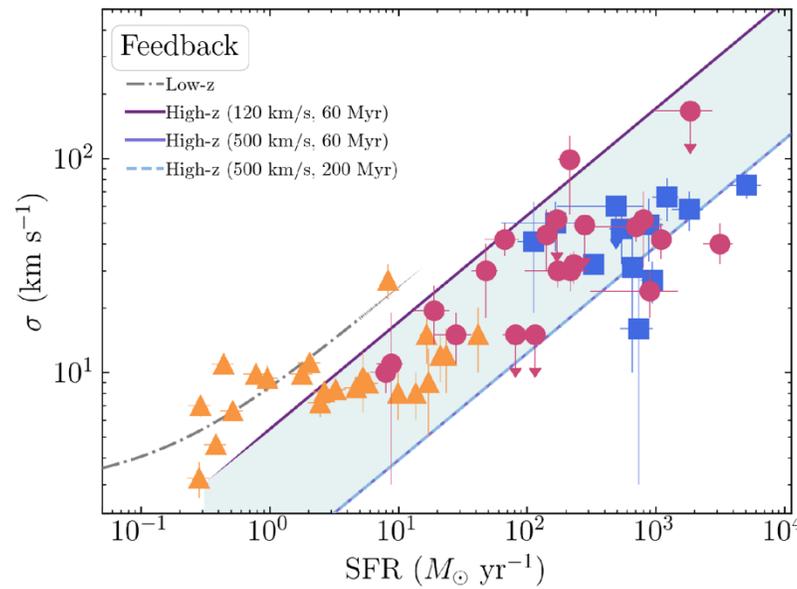


# Tracer of feedback

## Turbulent motions are produced by feedback



*Semenov et al. 2016*



*Rizzo+2024*

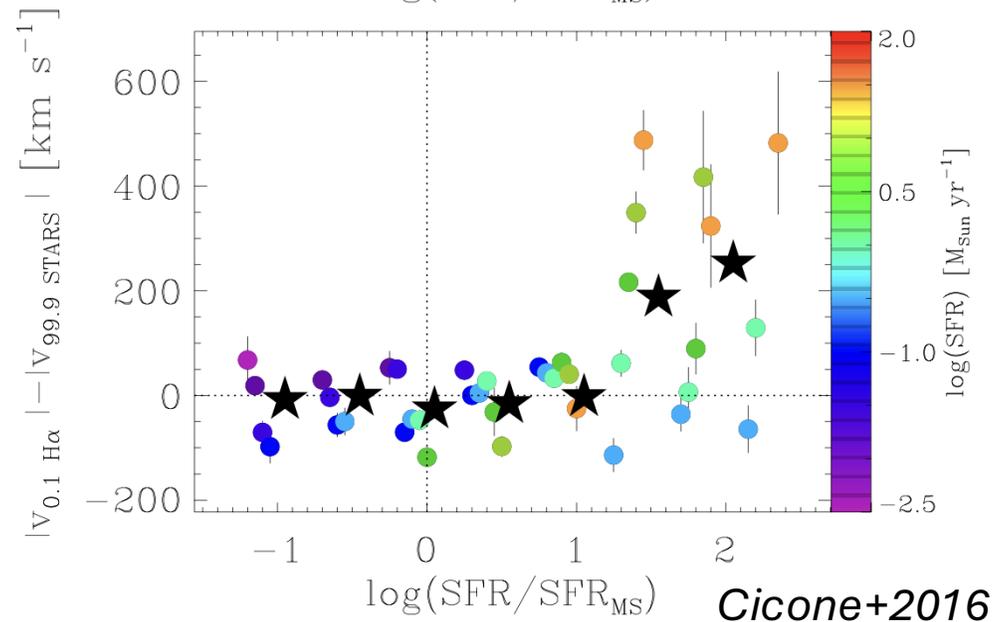
# Tracer of feedback

**Outflows are connected to energy and momentum injection from supernovae, massive stars, and AGNs**

More intense star formation produces stronger outflows



Stronger outflows suppress star formation



# Questions to be answered

- Up to what redshift rotation curve can be used as a tracer of dynamical mass? Where is the earliest disk?
- How ordered rotation and turbulence evolve across cosmic time?
- How outflows depends on galaxy properties at different redshifts

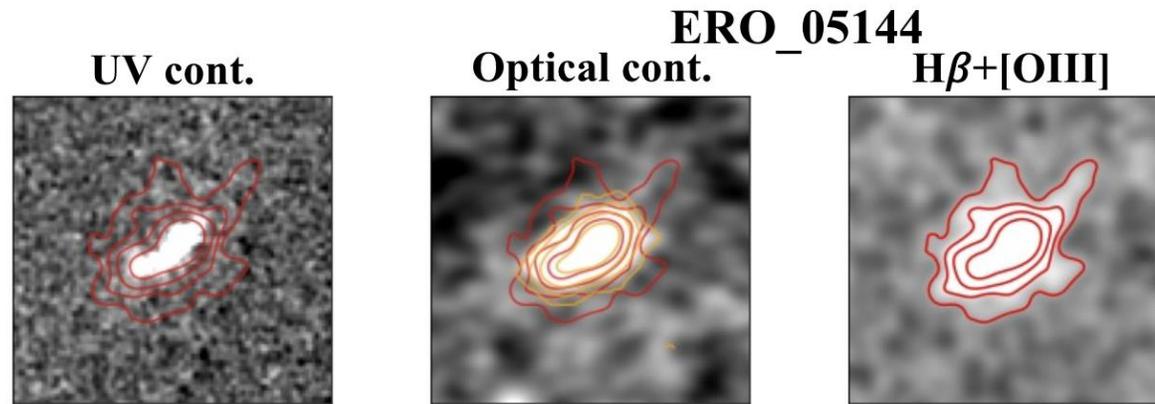
Part I.

# Outflows at high redshift

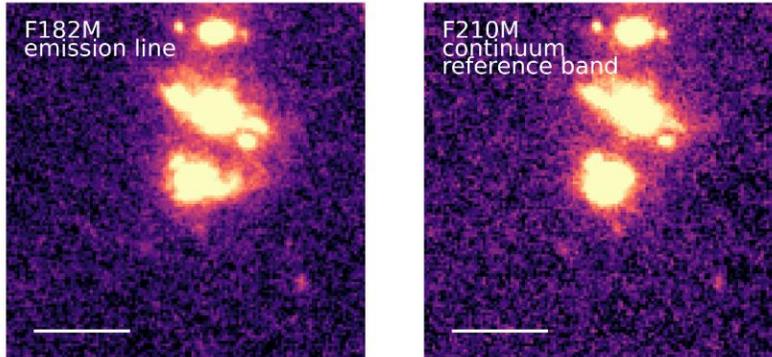
Based on Xu et al. 2023 arxiv:2310.06614

# Outflows at high z with JWST

## Spatial extension on images

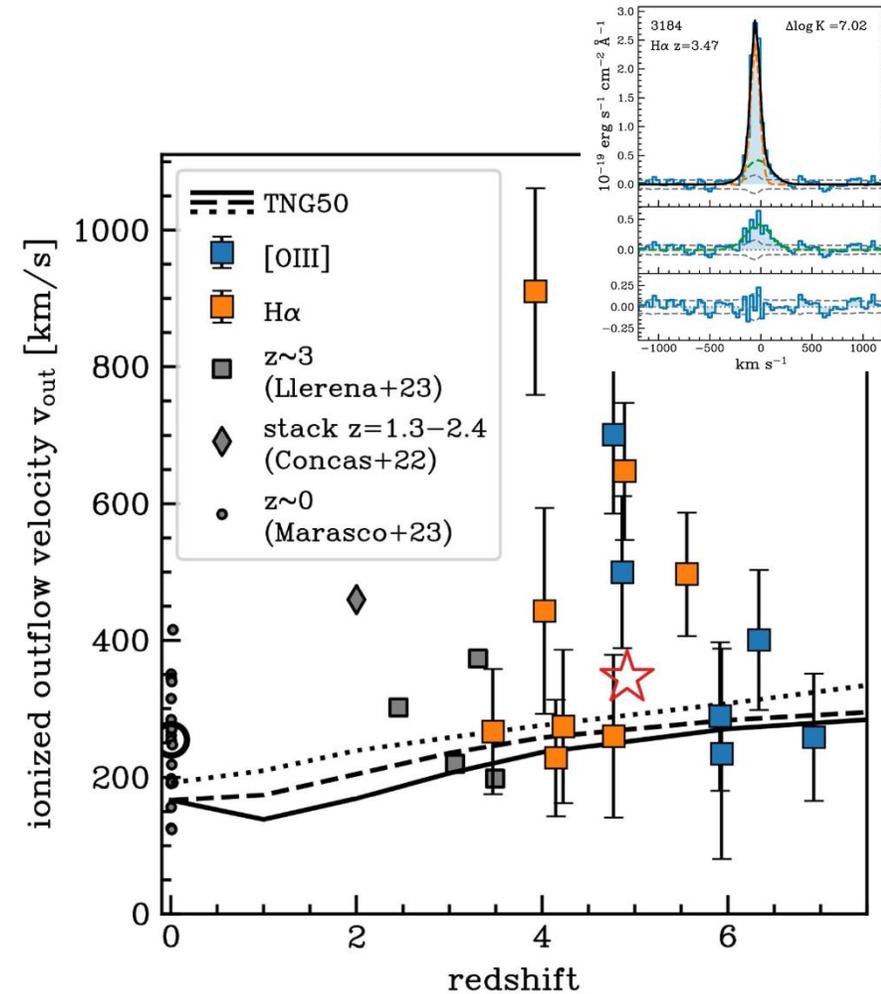


Y. Zhang, ..., YX, et al. 2024



Zhu+2025

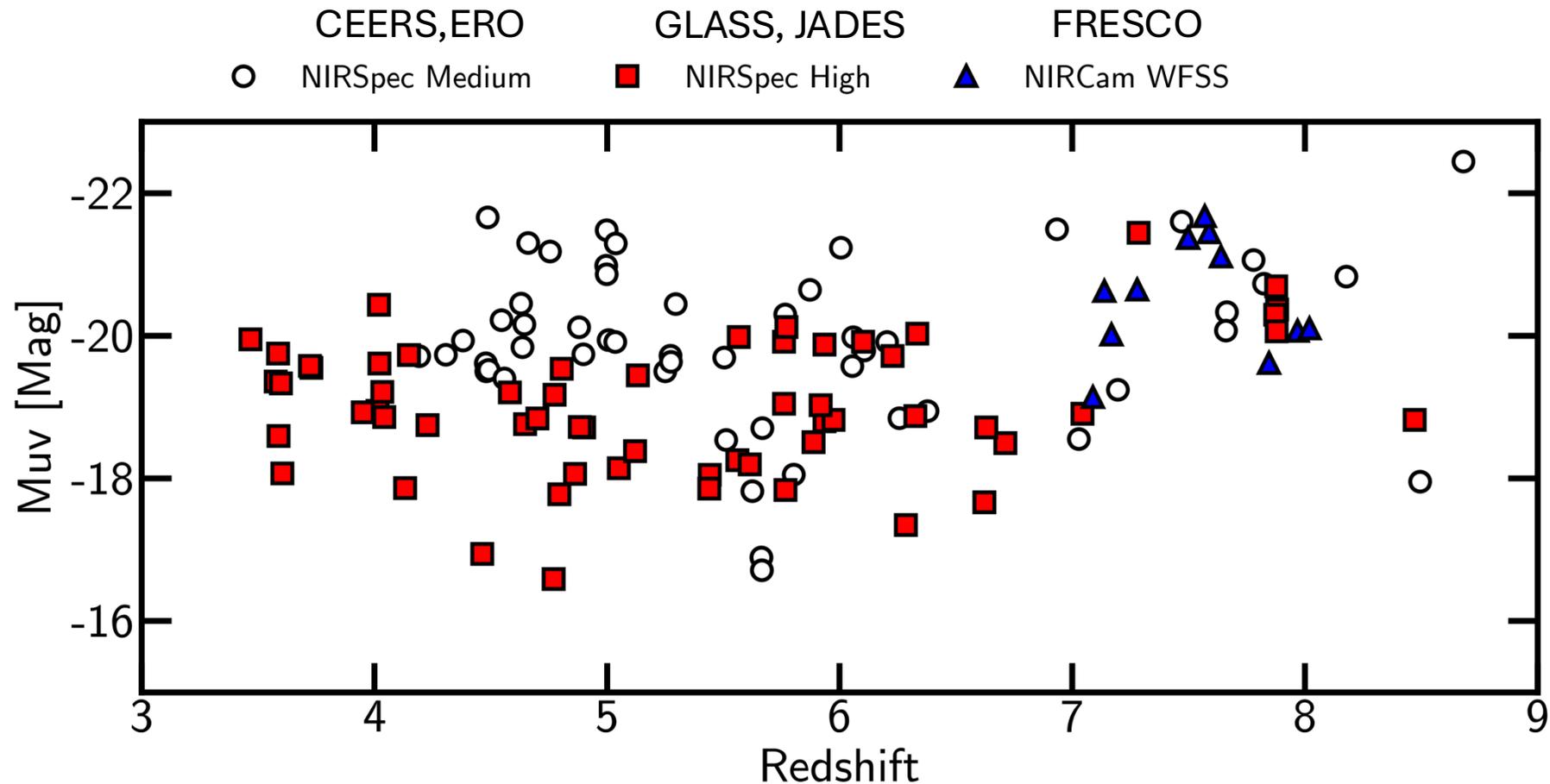
## Broad emission line



Carniani+2024 (JADES team)

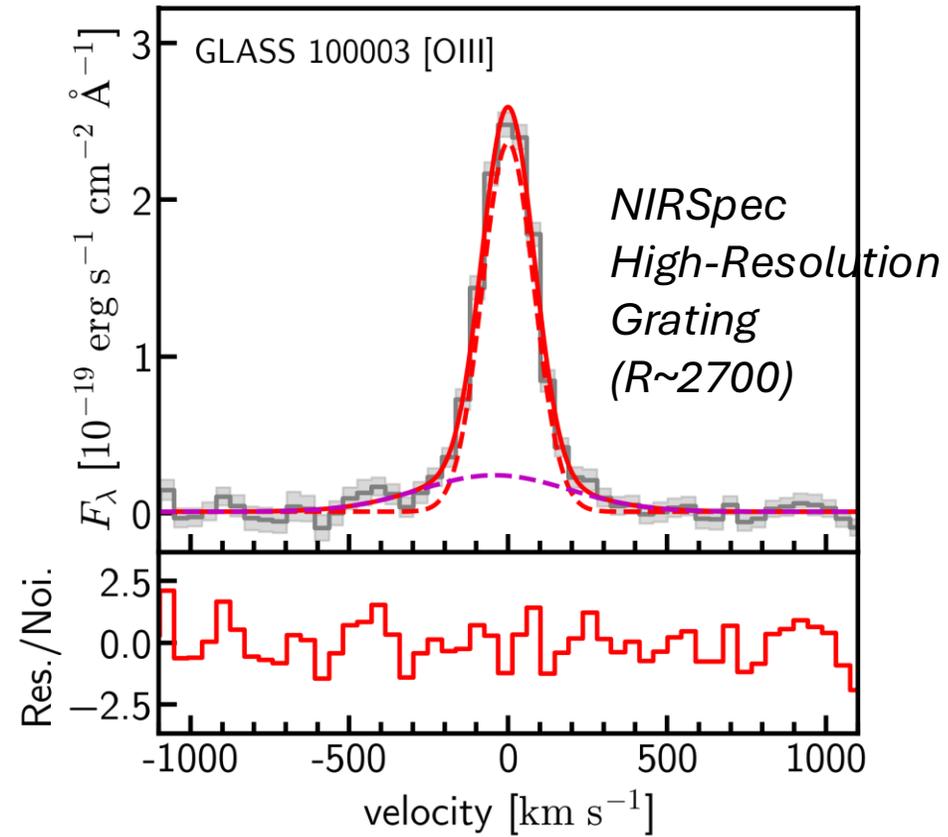
# Dataset

130 galaxies at  $z \sim 3-9$  with  $H\alpha$  or  $[OIII]\lambda 5007$  detections



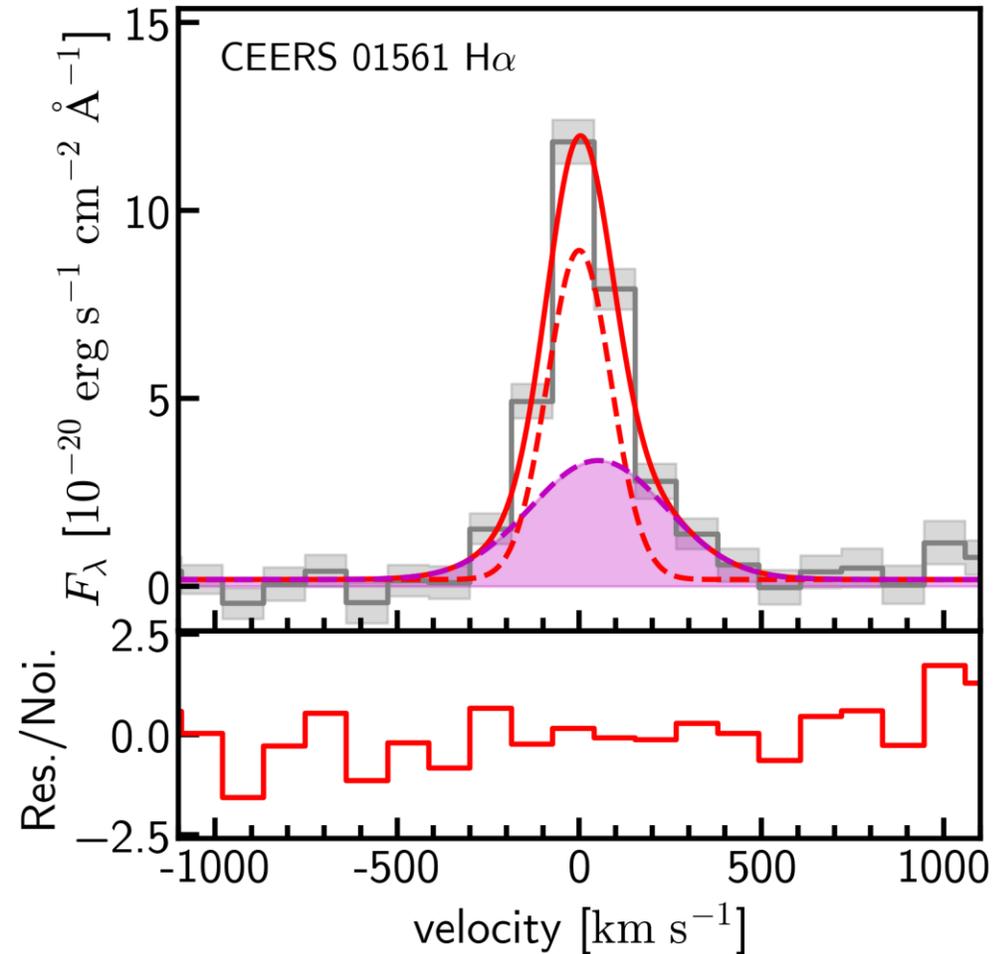
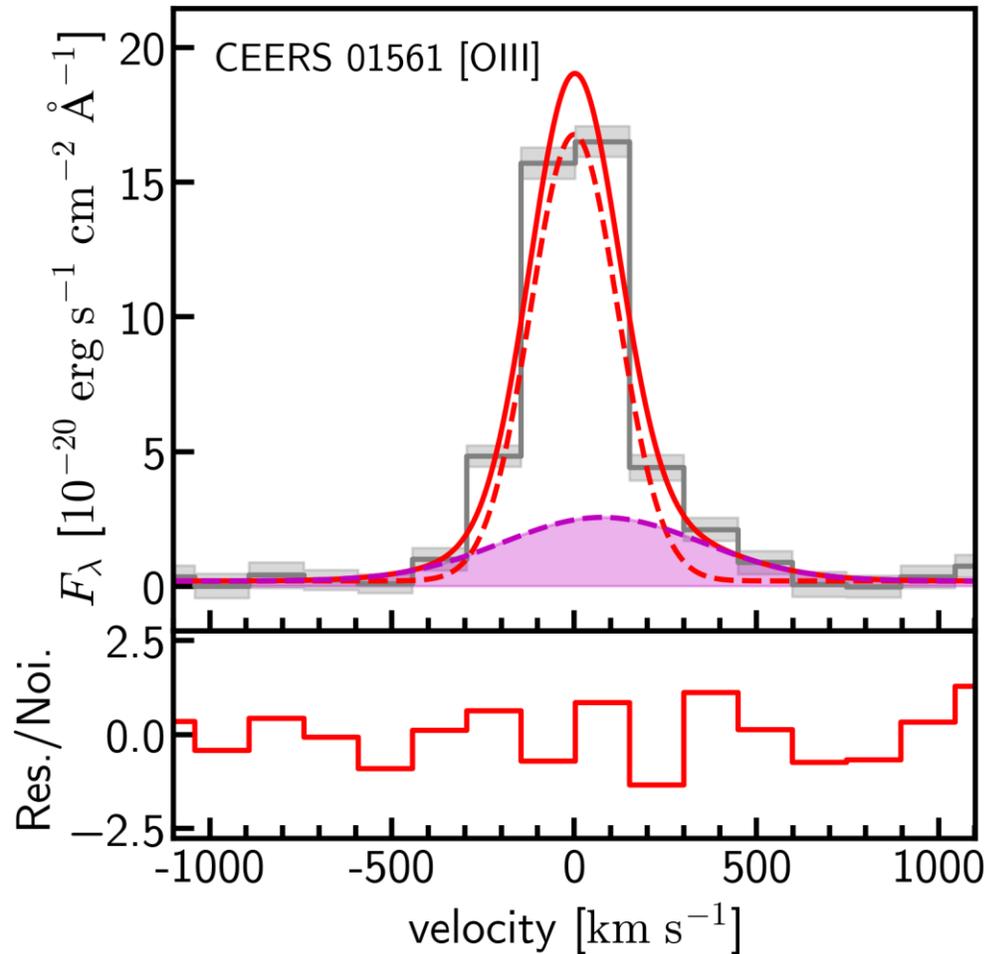
# Detecting outflows

## Broad wings tracing hot ionized outflows

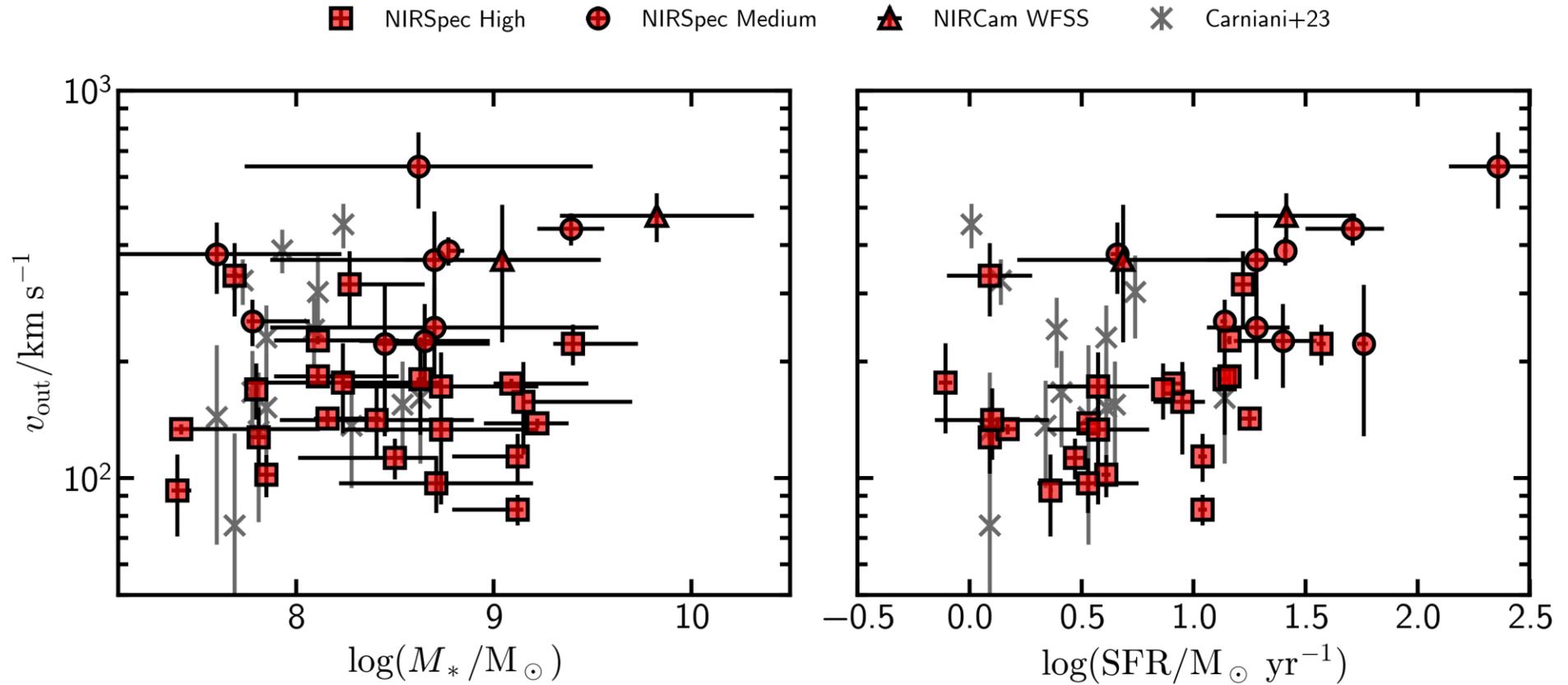


# Detecting outflows

detected in [OIII] and H $\alpha$  even with medium-resolution grating ( $R \sim 1000$ )

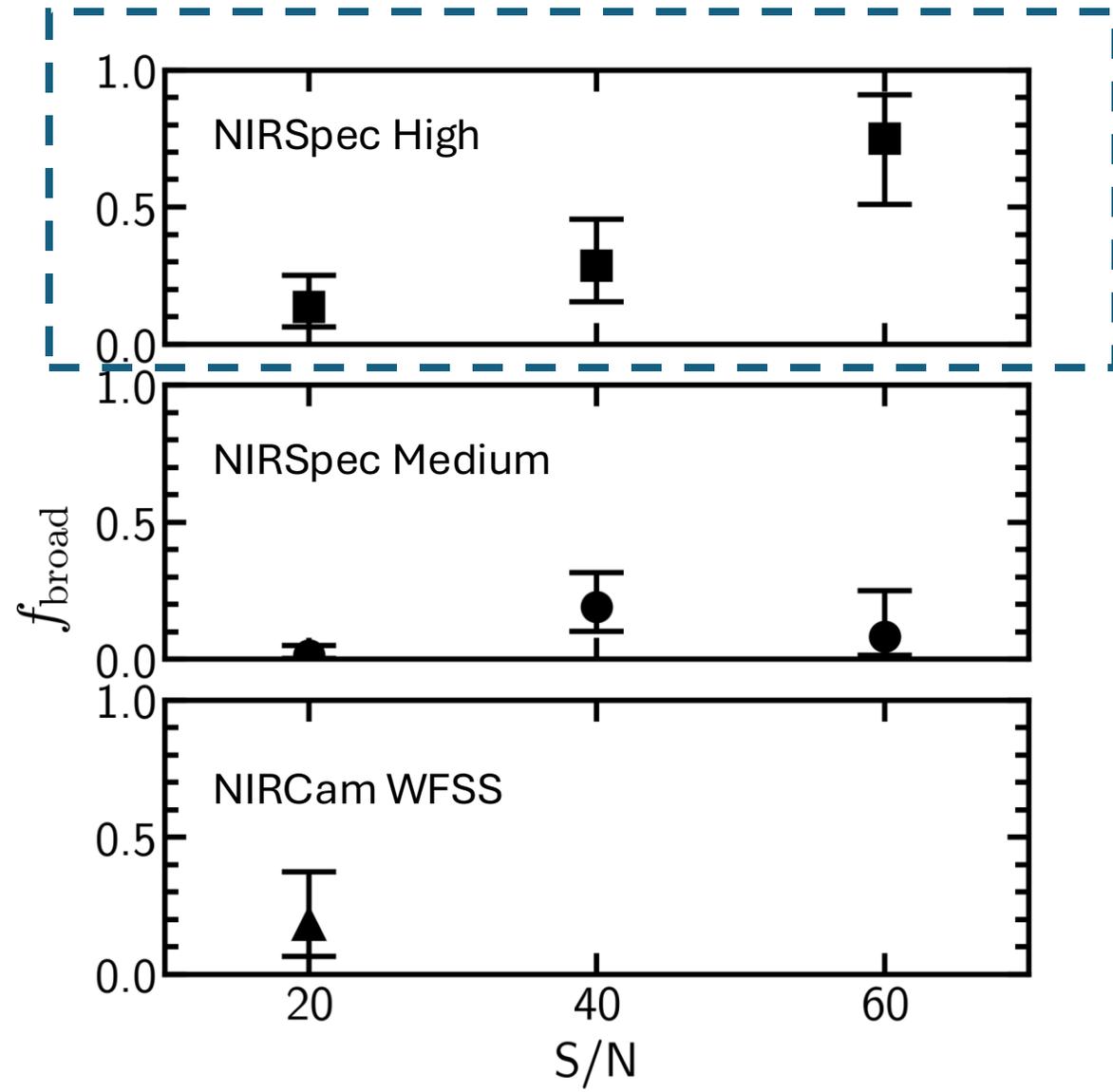


# Outflow velocity $v_{\text{out}} = |v_{\text{cent,out}} - v_{\text{cent,narrow}}| + \text{FWHM}_{\text{out}}/2$

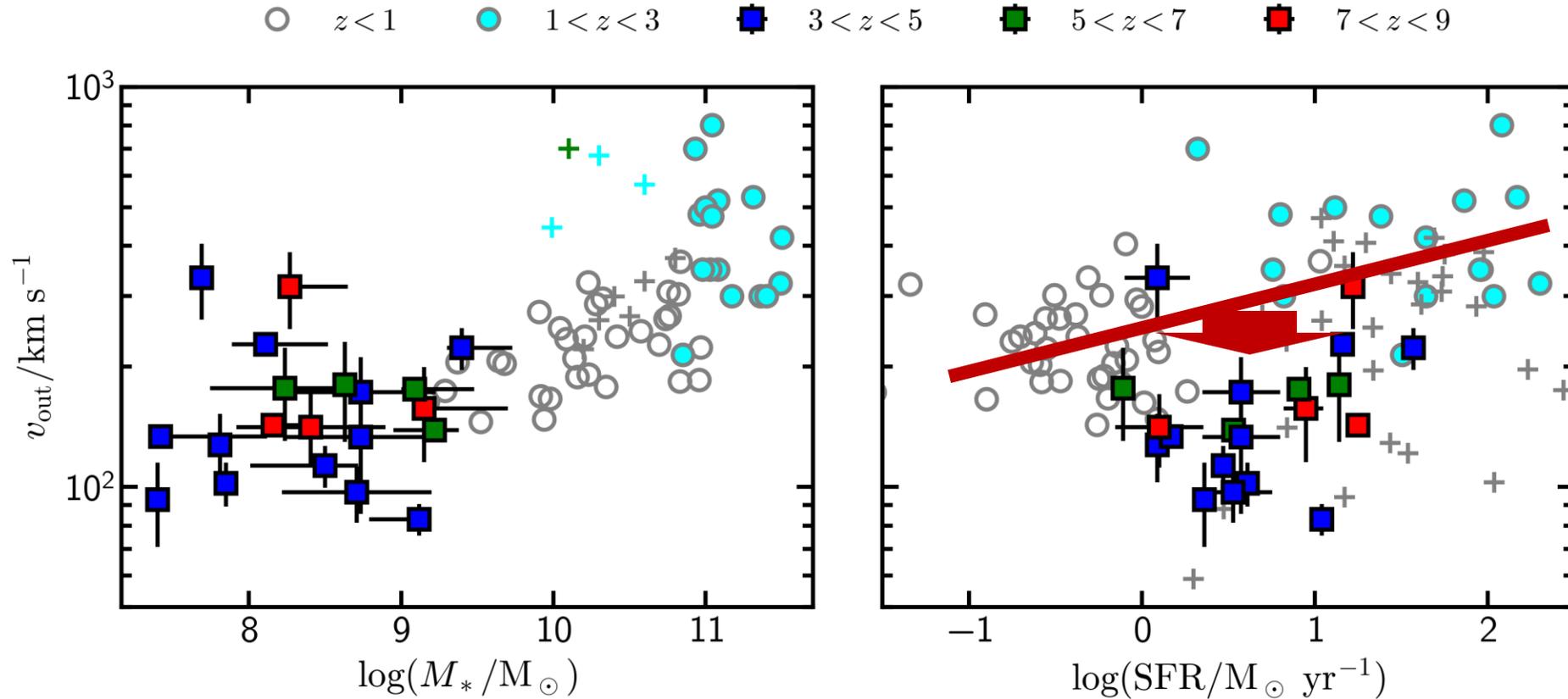


Large scatters exist => careful treatment of subsamples are needed

# Outflow detections are subject to data quality

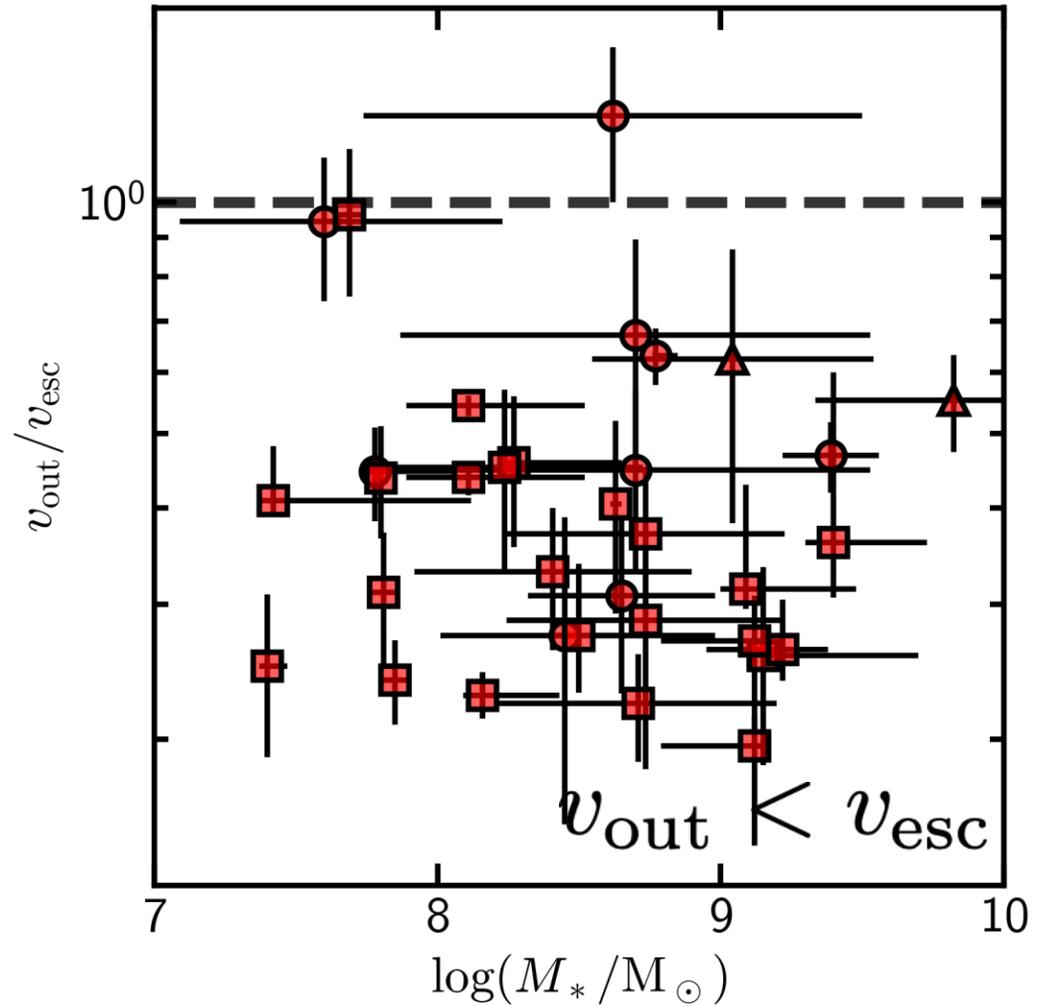


# Outflow velocity



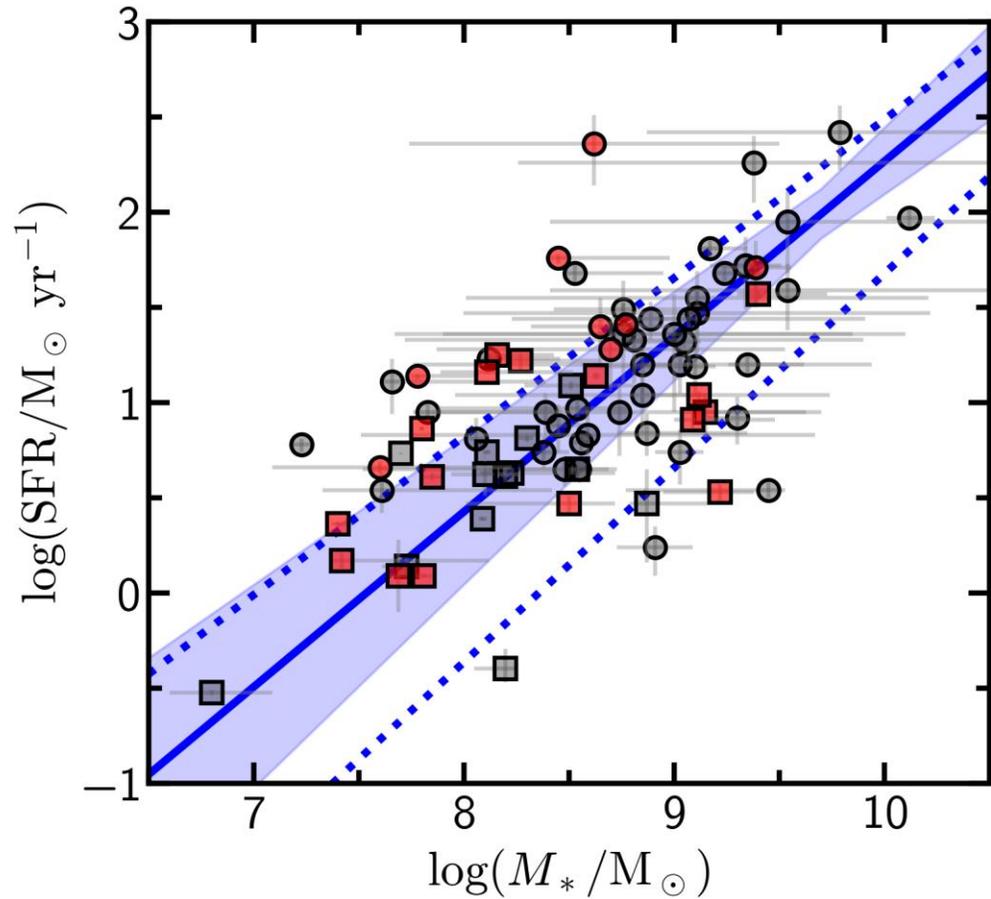
- Outflow velocities are smaller at high redshift for the same SFR
- Dependence on stellar mass suggesting effect of gravitation

# Discussions on outflows

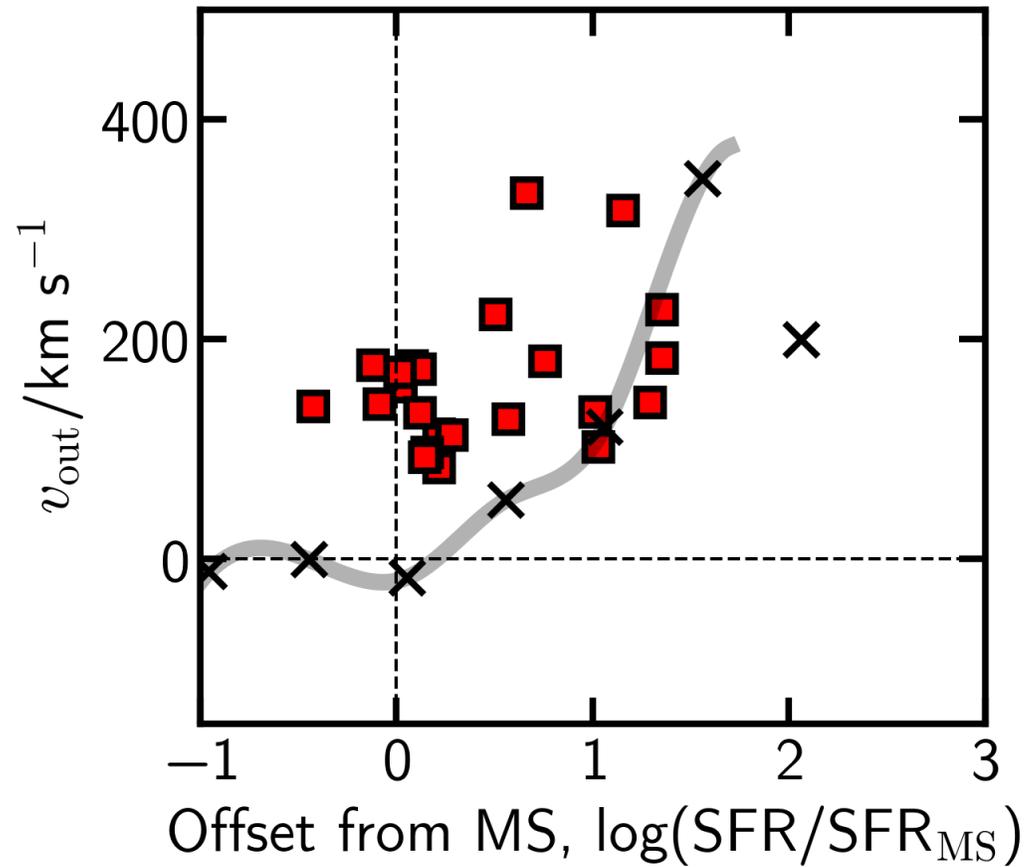


Outflows are not fast enough to escape

# Outflows and SF main sequence



Galaxies above SFMS drive stronger outflows



# Summary

- We identify 30 out of 130 galaxies with outflow signatures with NIRSpec Medium, NIRSpec High, NIRcam WFSS data
- Outflow velocities can be governed by gravitation at  $3 < z < 9$
- Correlation between outflow incidence and SFMS indicates feedback is at play at high  $z$

# Part II.

# Earliest rotating disk

Based on Xu et al. 2024 ApJ

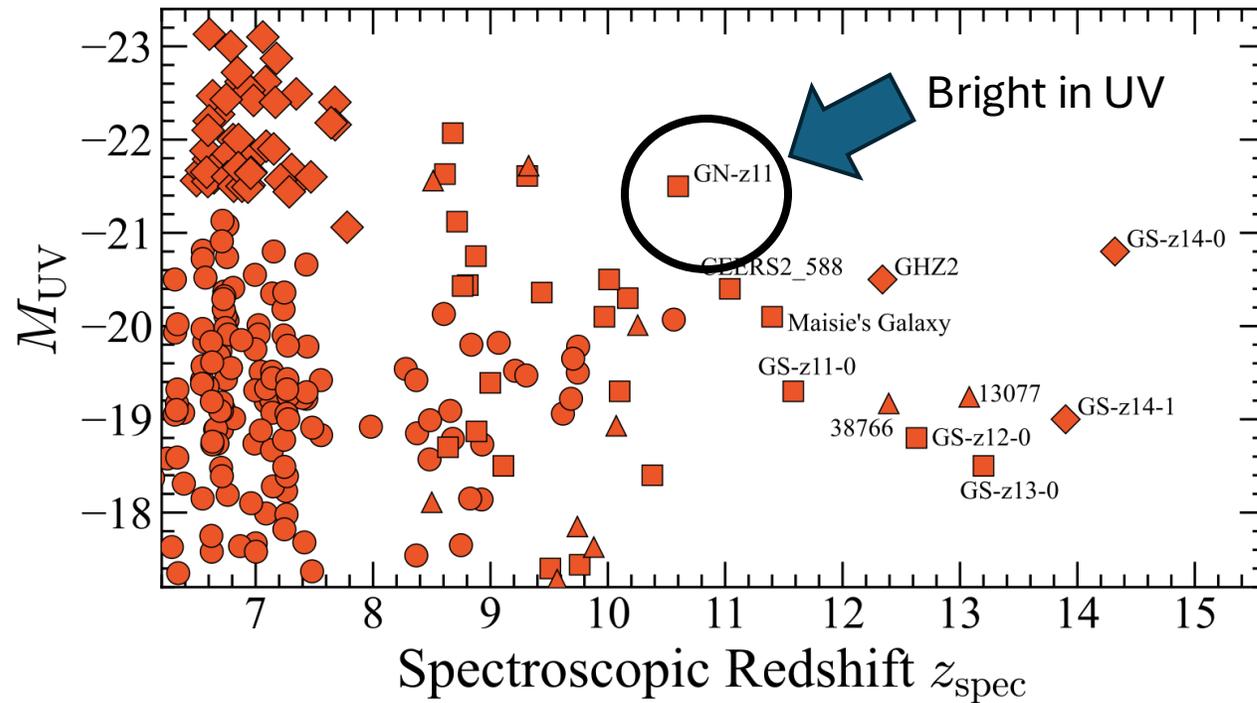
# Target

GN-z11 at  $z=10.6$  when the universe is  $\sim 500$  Myr old

$$\log(M_*/M_\odot) = 9.1, \text{ SFR} = 21 M_\odot/\text{yr}$$



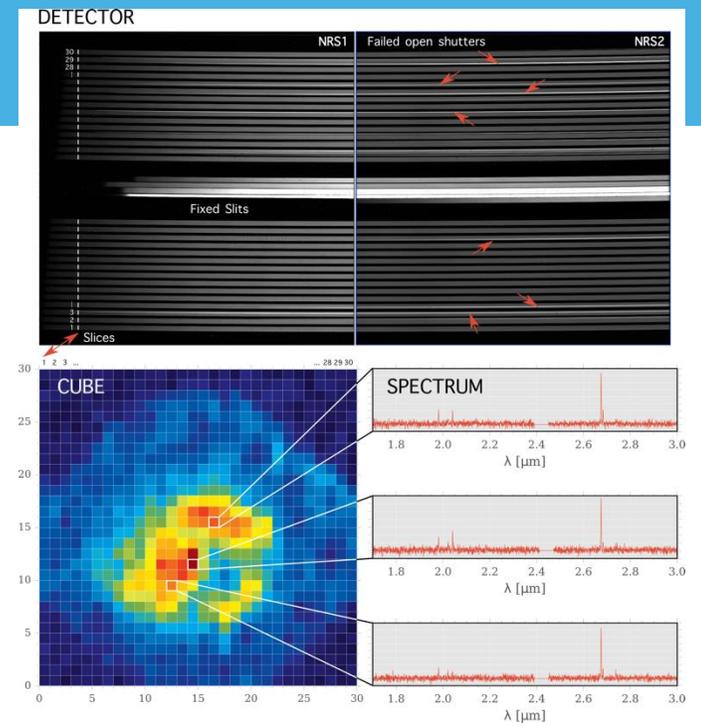
Image credit: NASA



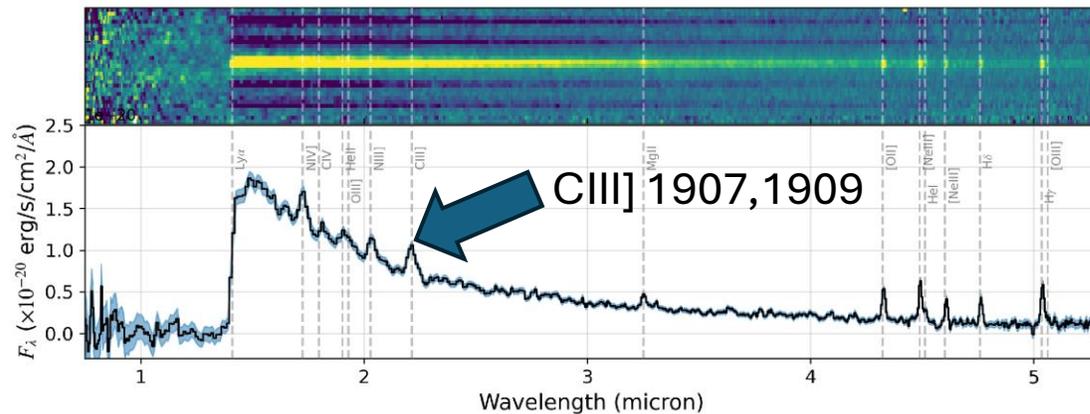
# Observations

## JWST NIRSpec IFU

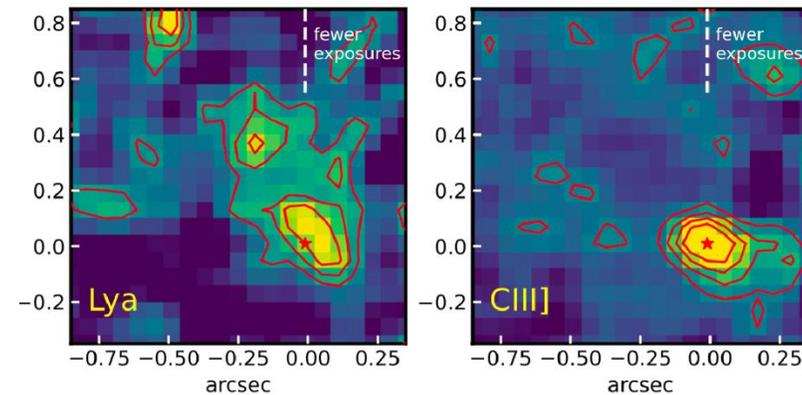
- G235M/F170LP covers 1.7-3.2 micron
- DDT 4426 (PI: Roberto Maiolino)
- Exposure time: 14 hours (**7 hours more than M23**)
- Prominent C III] emission
- New reduction from scratch



*Image credit: NASA*

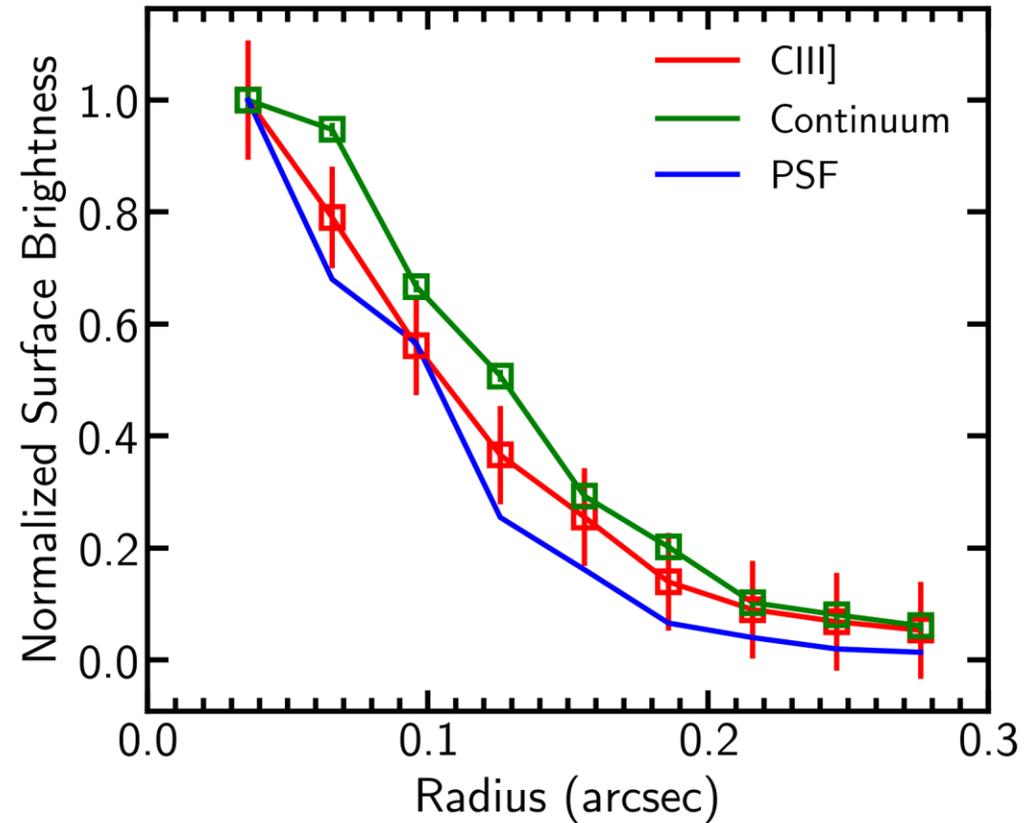


*Bunker et al. 2023*



*Maiolino et al. 2023*

# Is C III] spatially resolved?

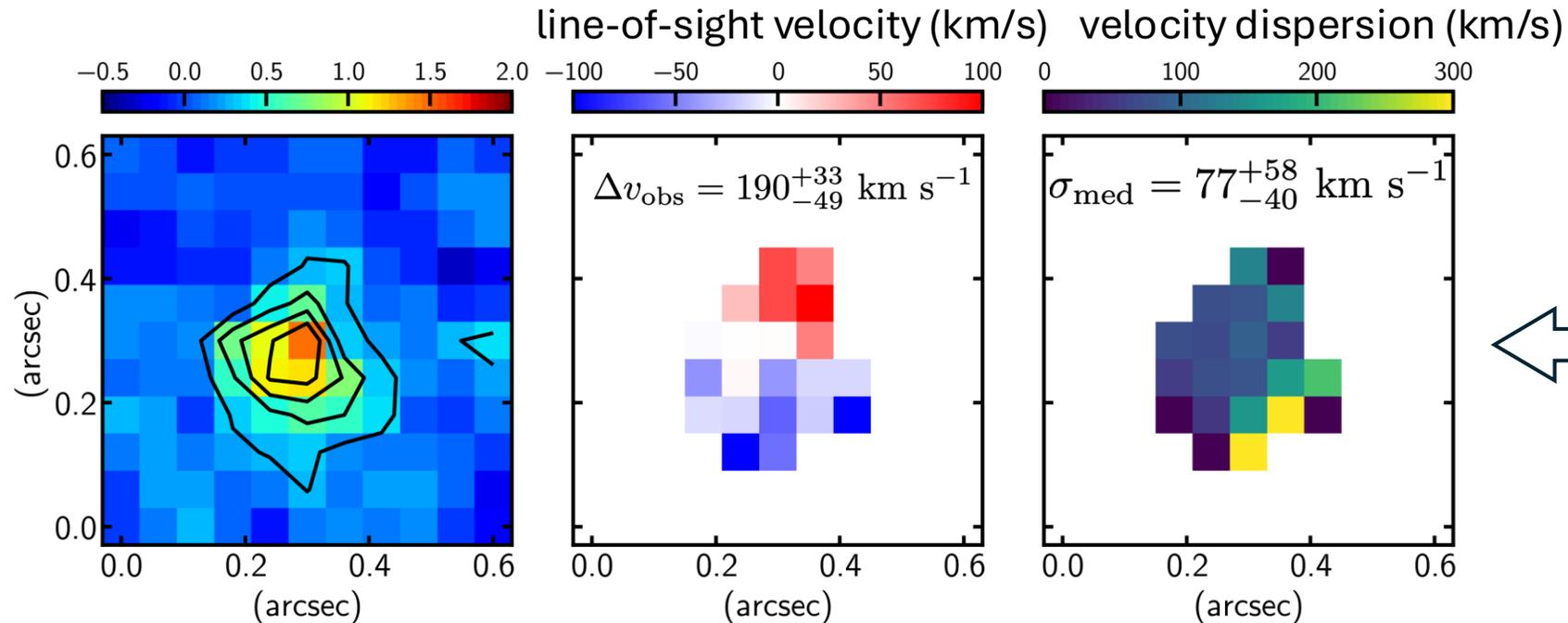
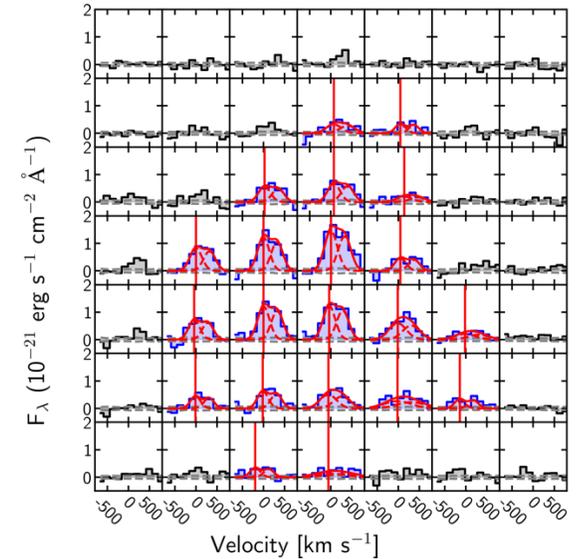


C III] is spatially extended over point-spread function (PSF)

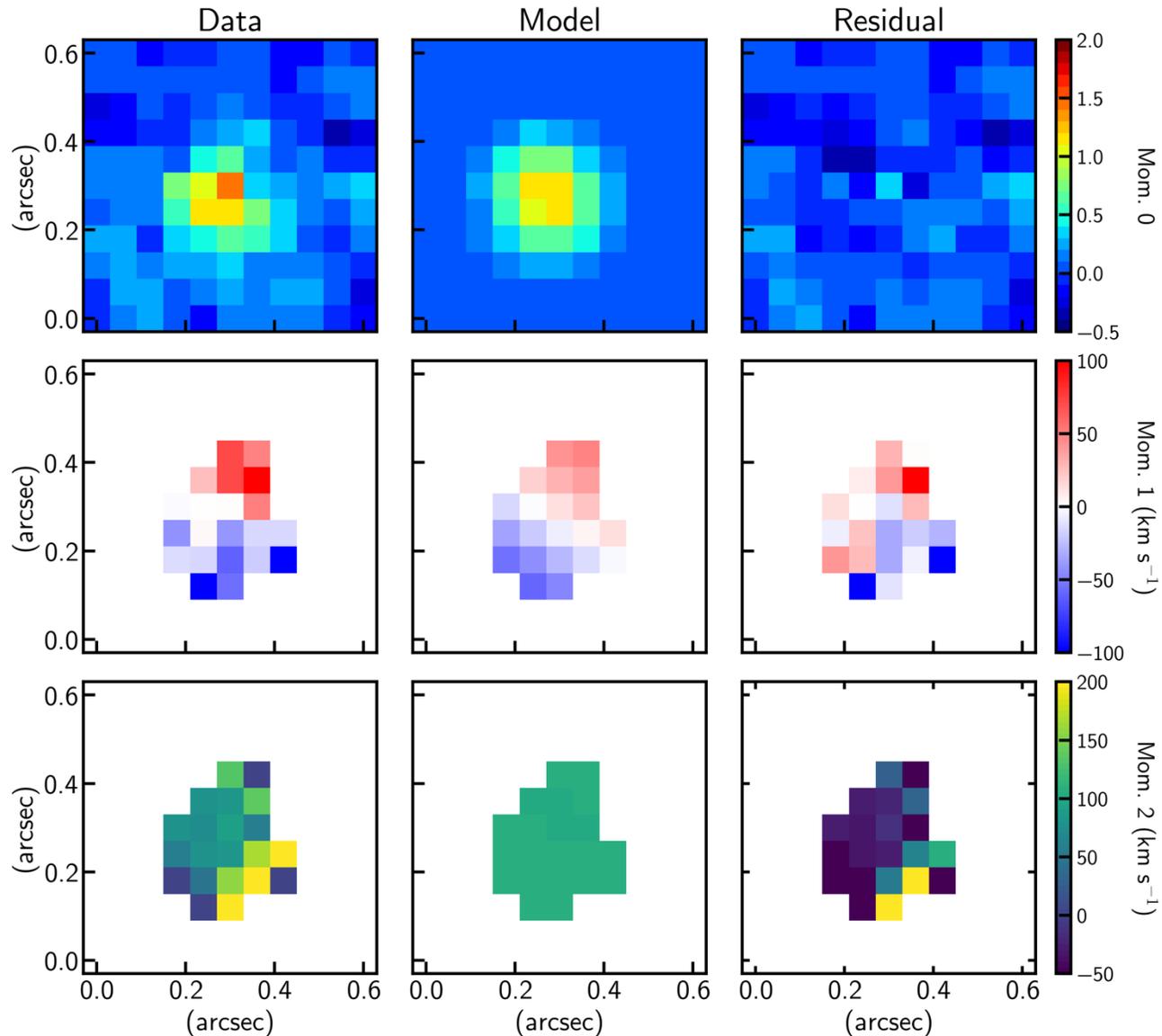
**Tracers of gas kinematics?**

# C III] kinematics

- C III] 1907,1909: marginally resolved doublet
- Two-component fitting in each high S/N spaxel
- Result
  - Clear velocity gradient  $\Delta v_{\text{obs}}/2\sigma_{\text{med}} = 1.34^{+0.68}_{-0.98}$
  - Rotating disk at  $z=10.6$ ?



# Forward modelling of rotating disk



GalPak<sup>3D</sup> model

- exponential disk
- arctan rotation curve
- convolved with line-spread function and PSF

Results:

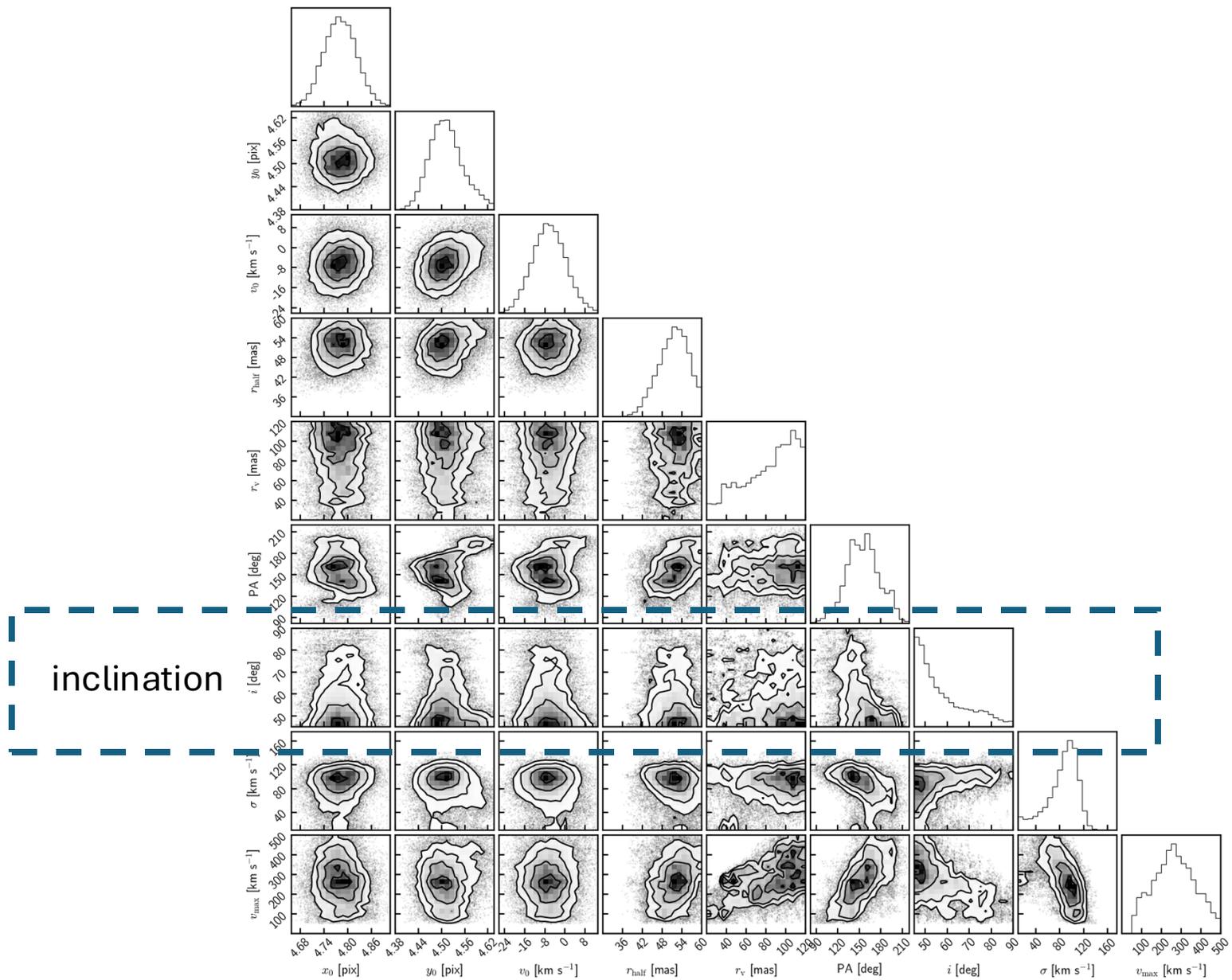
Explained by a rotating disk

$$v_{\text{rot}} = 249_{-118}^{+111} \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

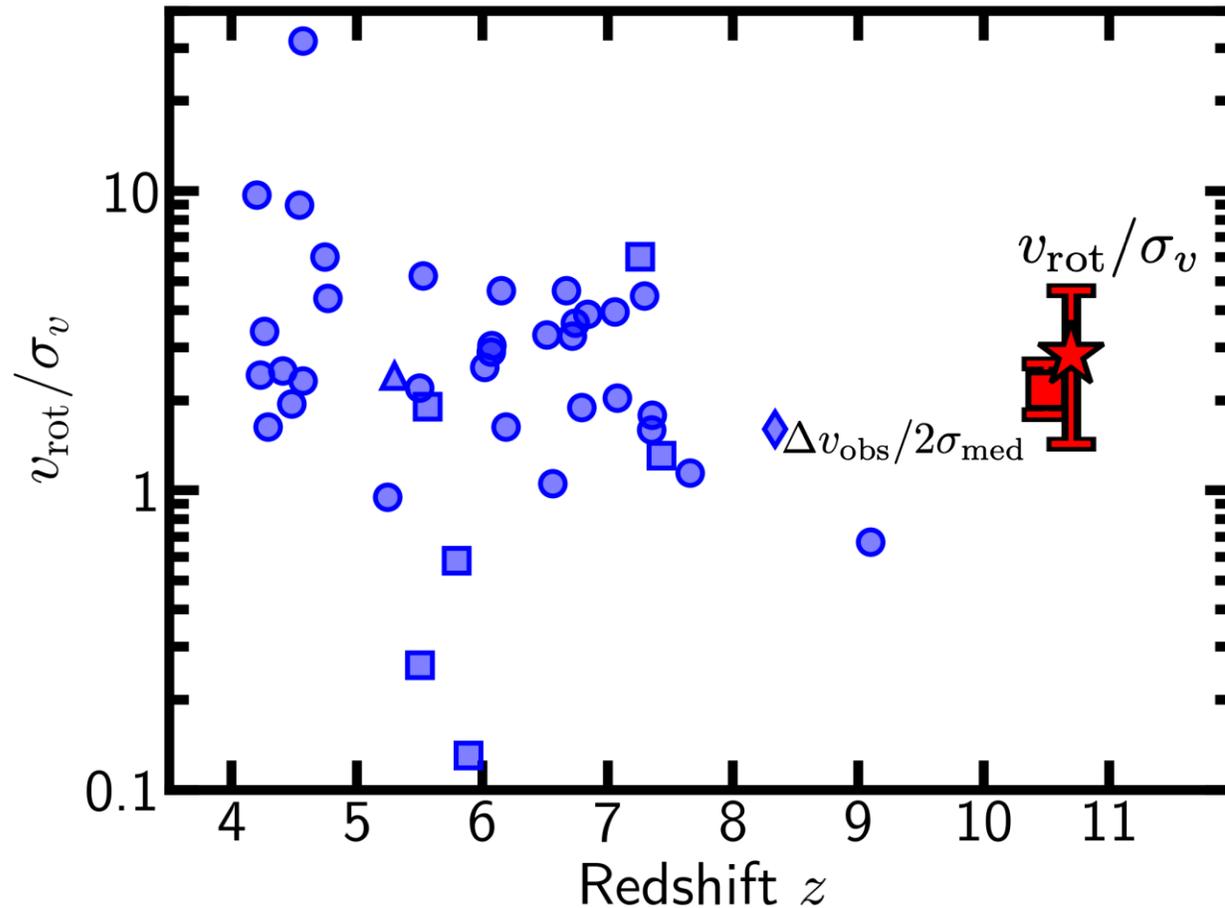
$$\sigma = 92_{-31}^{+16} \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

$$v_{\text{rot}}/\sigma = 2.8_{-1.4}^{+1.8}$$

# Constraint on inclination is still difficult



## Rotation-dominated disk in the first 500 Myr of the universe

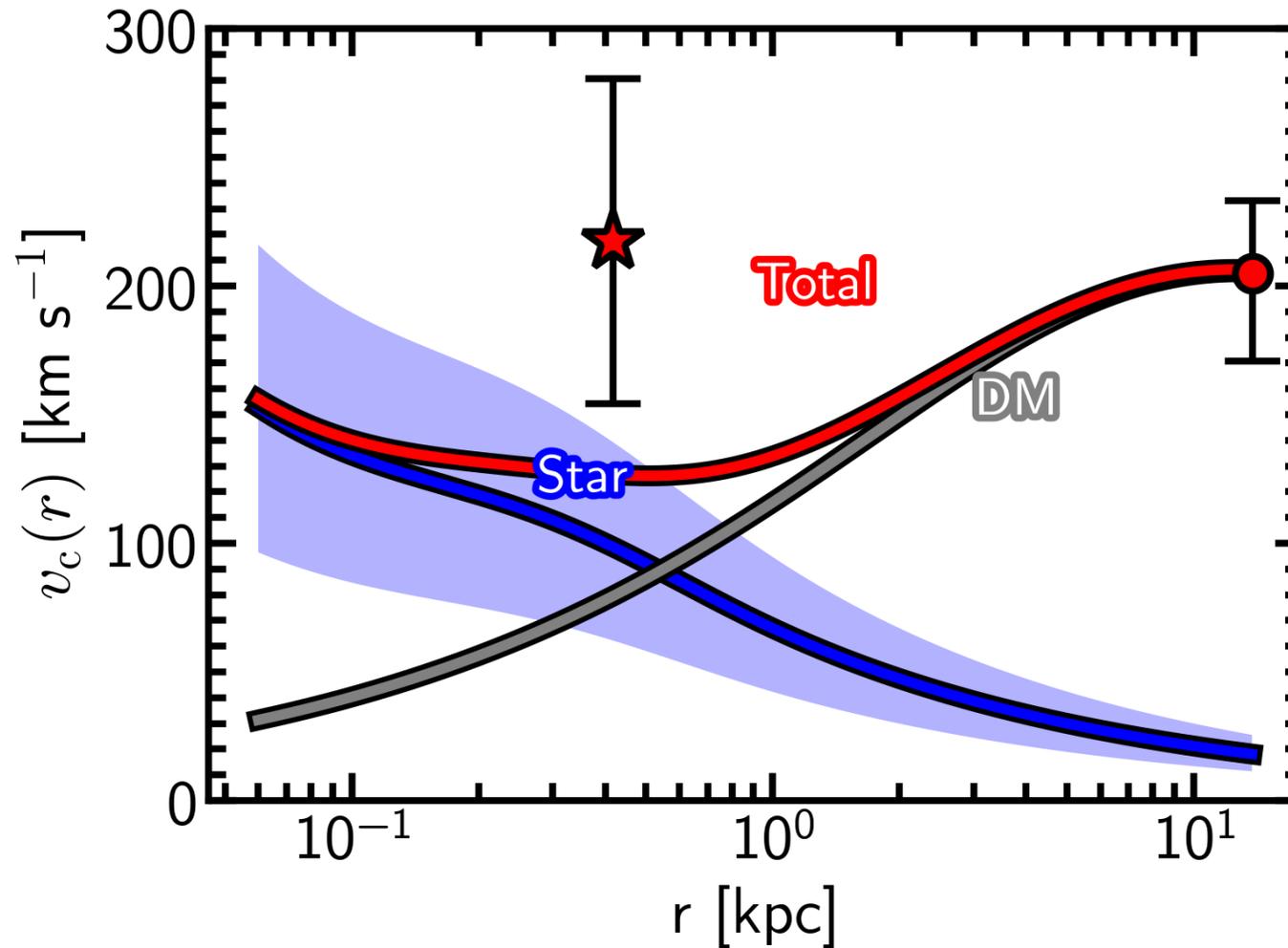


Is this surprising?

- GN-z11 is **massive** for  $z=10.6$   
=> growing fast and possibly undergo weak feedback
- GN-z11 is **compact** => mass is concentrated in the center

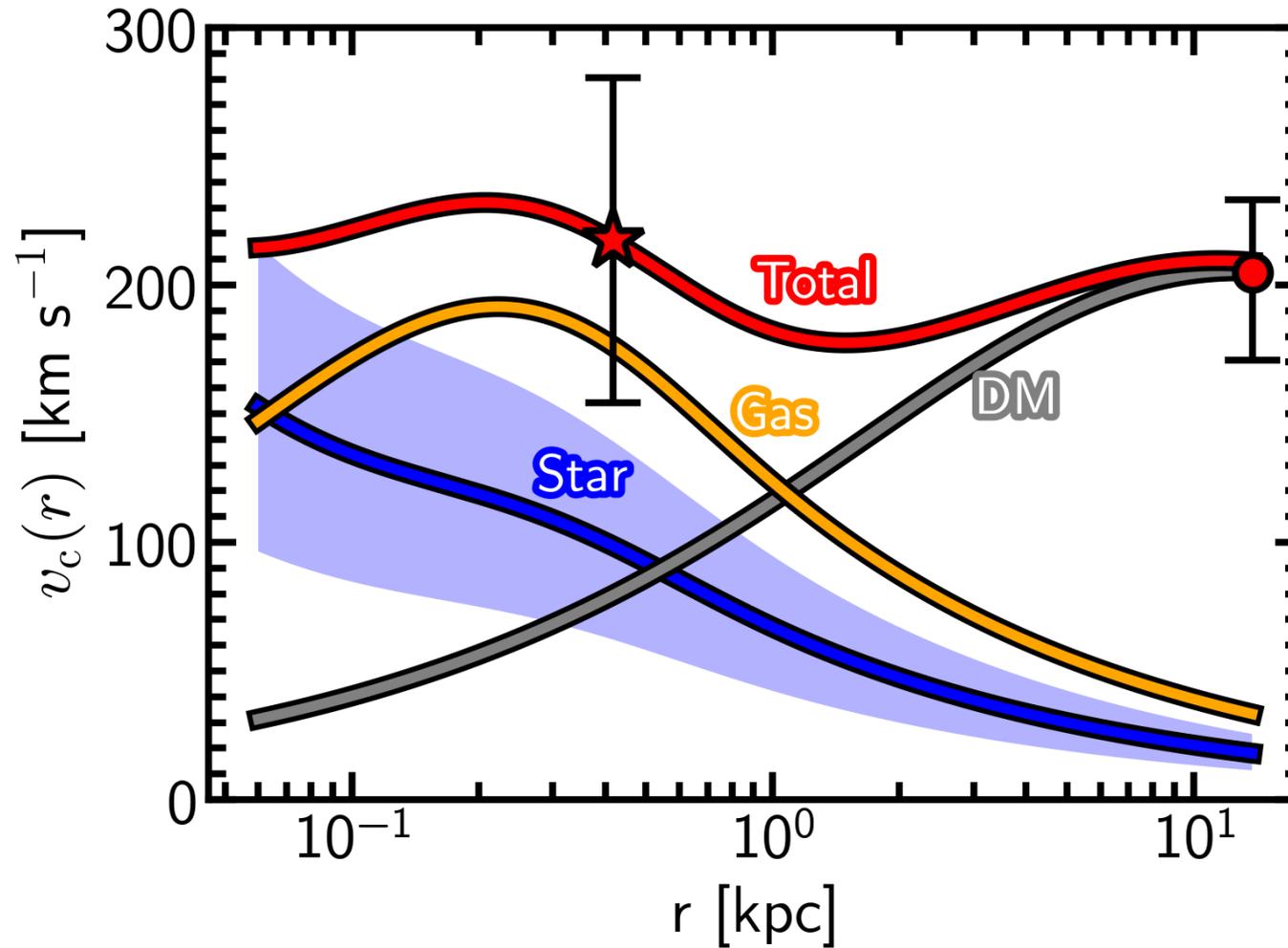
# Discussions: rotation curve and mass composition

Star and DM cannot account for  $v_{\text{rot}}$

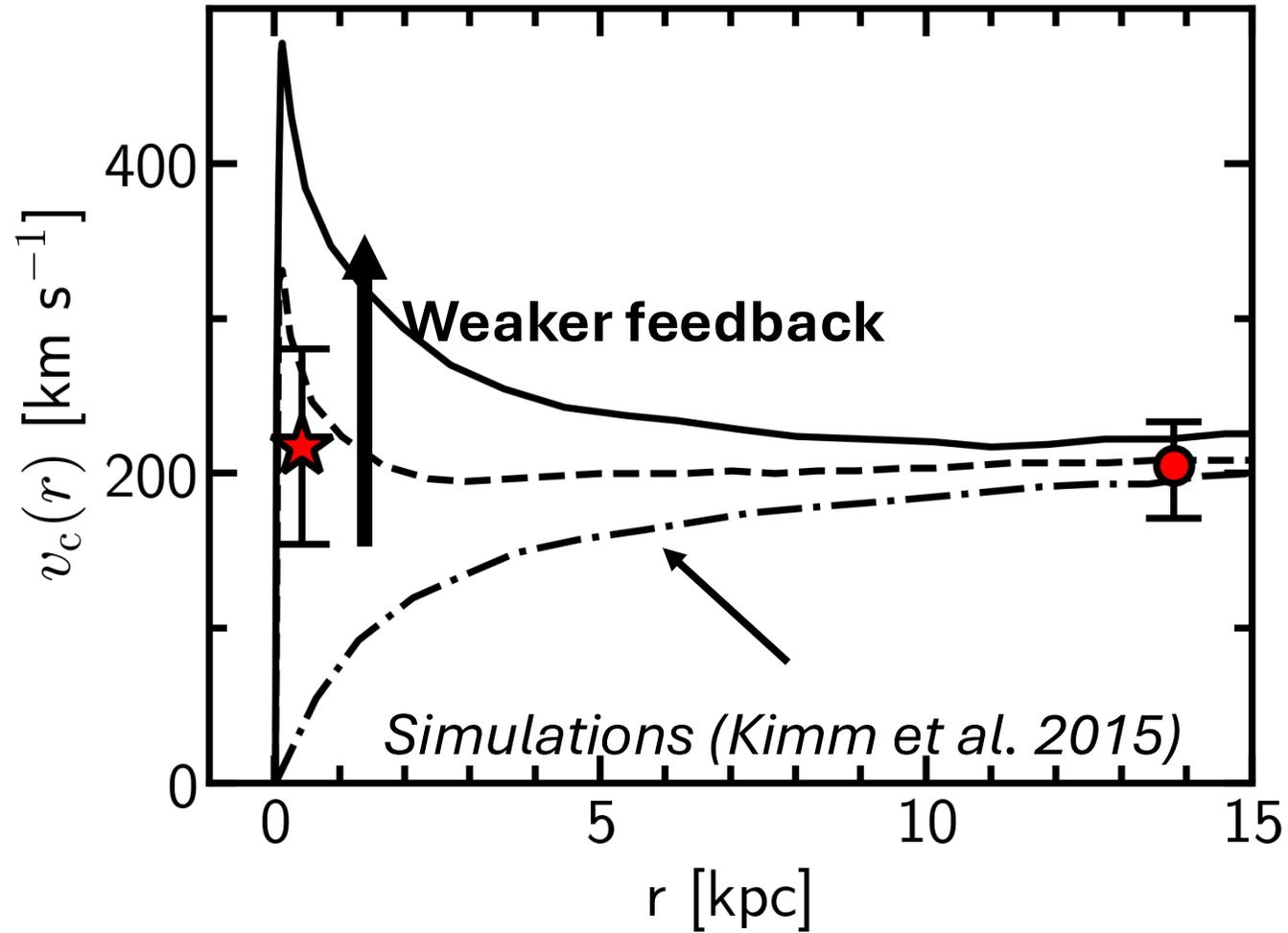


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Star and DM cannot account for  $v_{\text{rot}}$  => needs large gas fraction



# Discussions: rotation curve and feedback

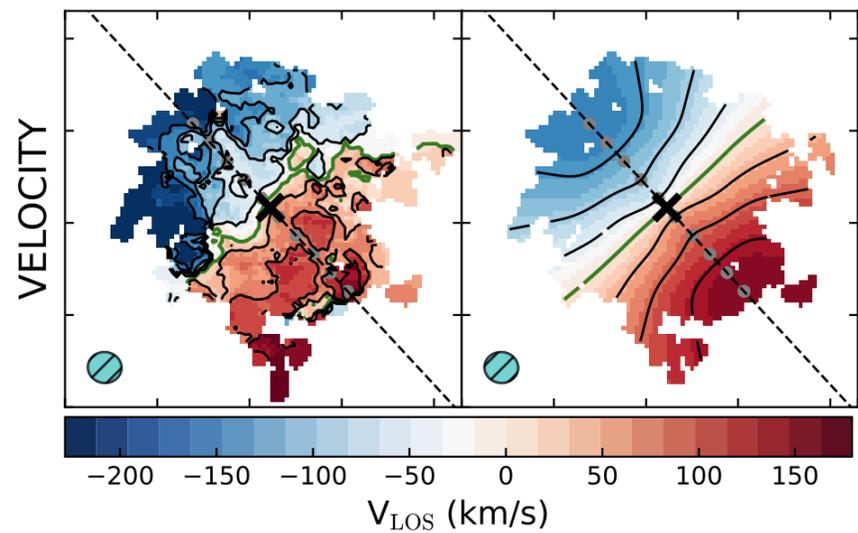


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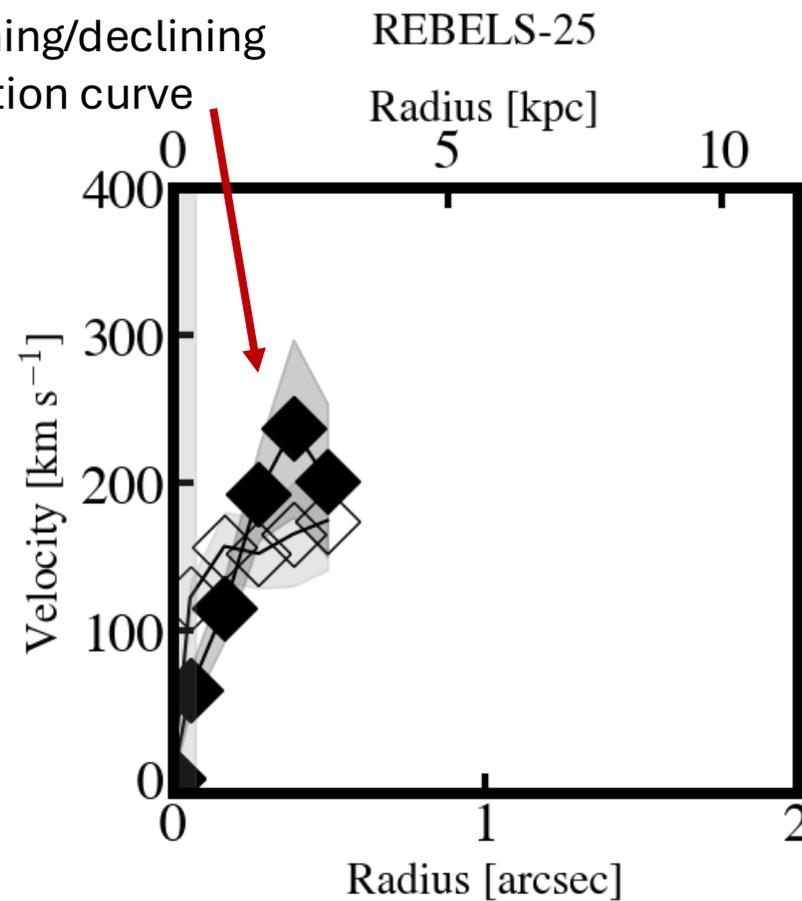
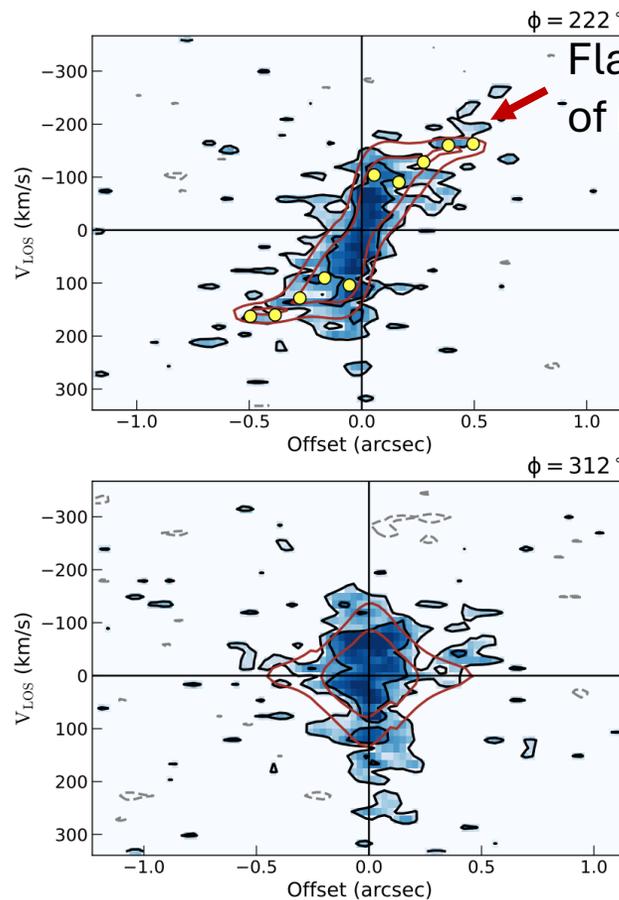
- We identify velocity gradient in GN-z11 that could be given by a rotation-dominated disk at  $z=10.6$
- The rotation velocity can be explained by a compact mass distribution with significant contribution from gas
- Large  $v/\sigma$  and concentrated rotation curve may attribute to weak feedback such predicted by simulations

**Can we resolve rotation curve at high  $z$ ?**

# At slightly lower redshift than GN-z11



REBELS-25 at  $z=7.3$  (Rowland+2024)

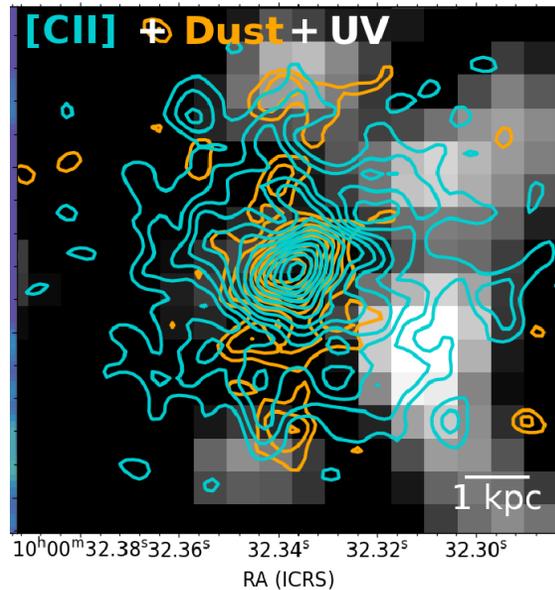


D. Sun, YX, et al. in prep.

# High-z disks can look clumpy

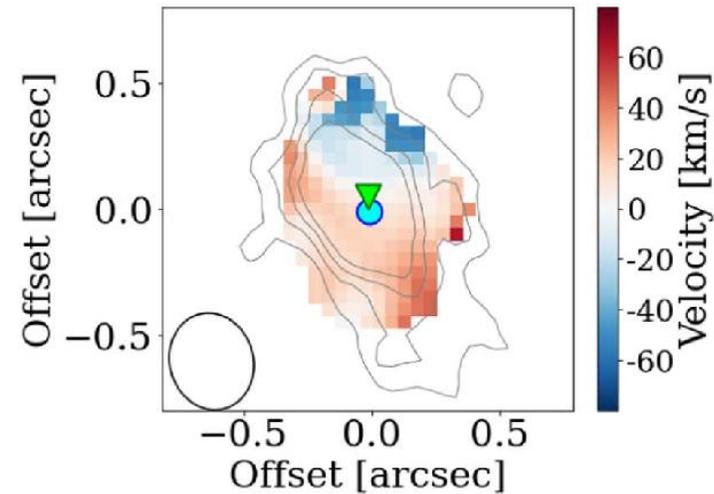
## We need novel disk models!

REBELS-25 are clumpy in UV  
due to dust extinction

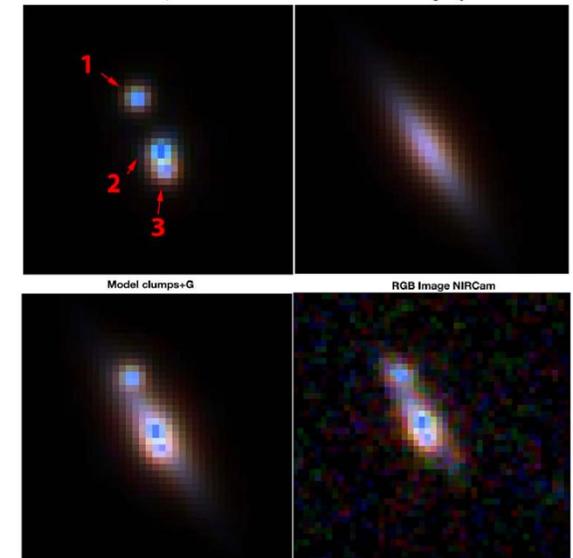


*Rowland+2024*

MACS1149-JD1 (z=9.1) merger or SF clumps?



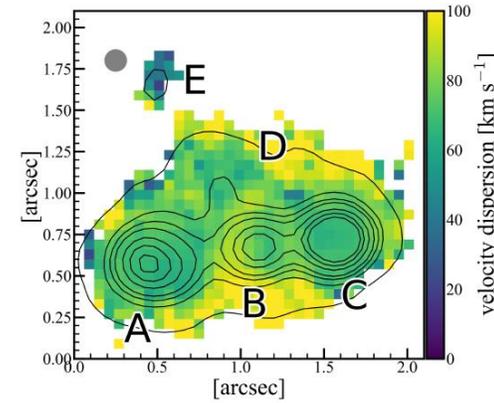
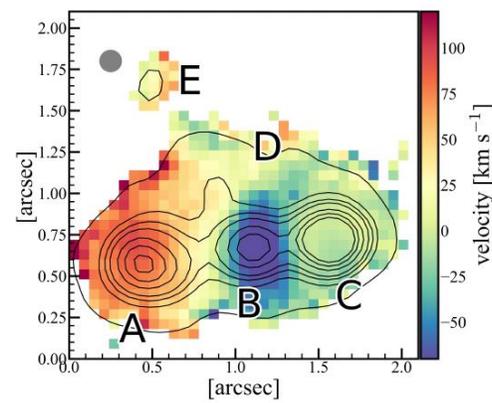
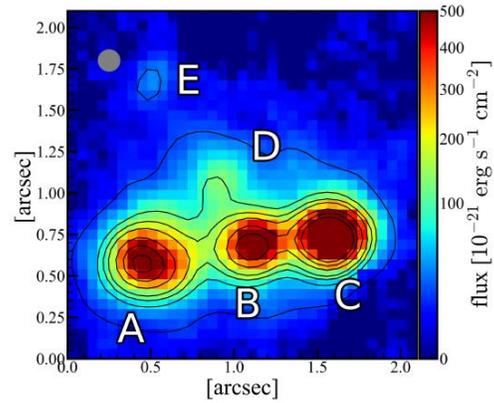
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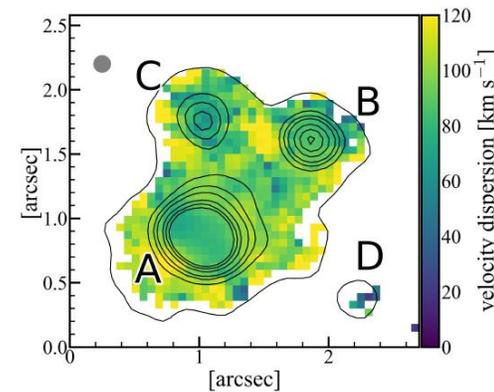
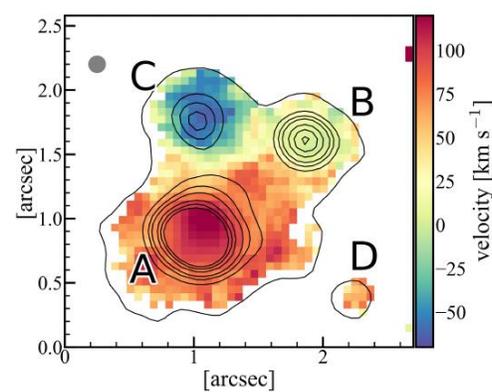
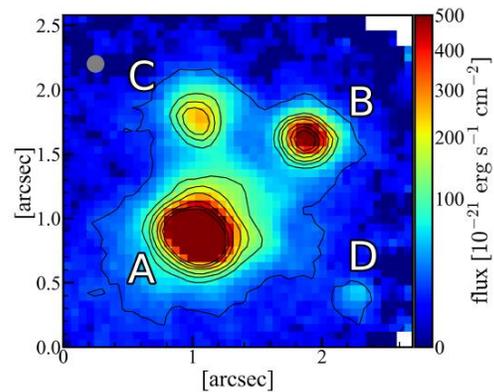
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# Mergers are preferably targeted by JWST NIRSpec IFU?

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T. Kiyota, YX, et al. in prep.

# Still many possibilities with current instruments

- Isolated, bright targets ( ) proposed in Cycle 4
  - UNCOVER\_10646 ( $z=8.511$ ) and EGS\_z910\_44164 ( $z=8.612$ )
- Exciting observations can be done with JWST or ALMA

