

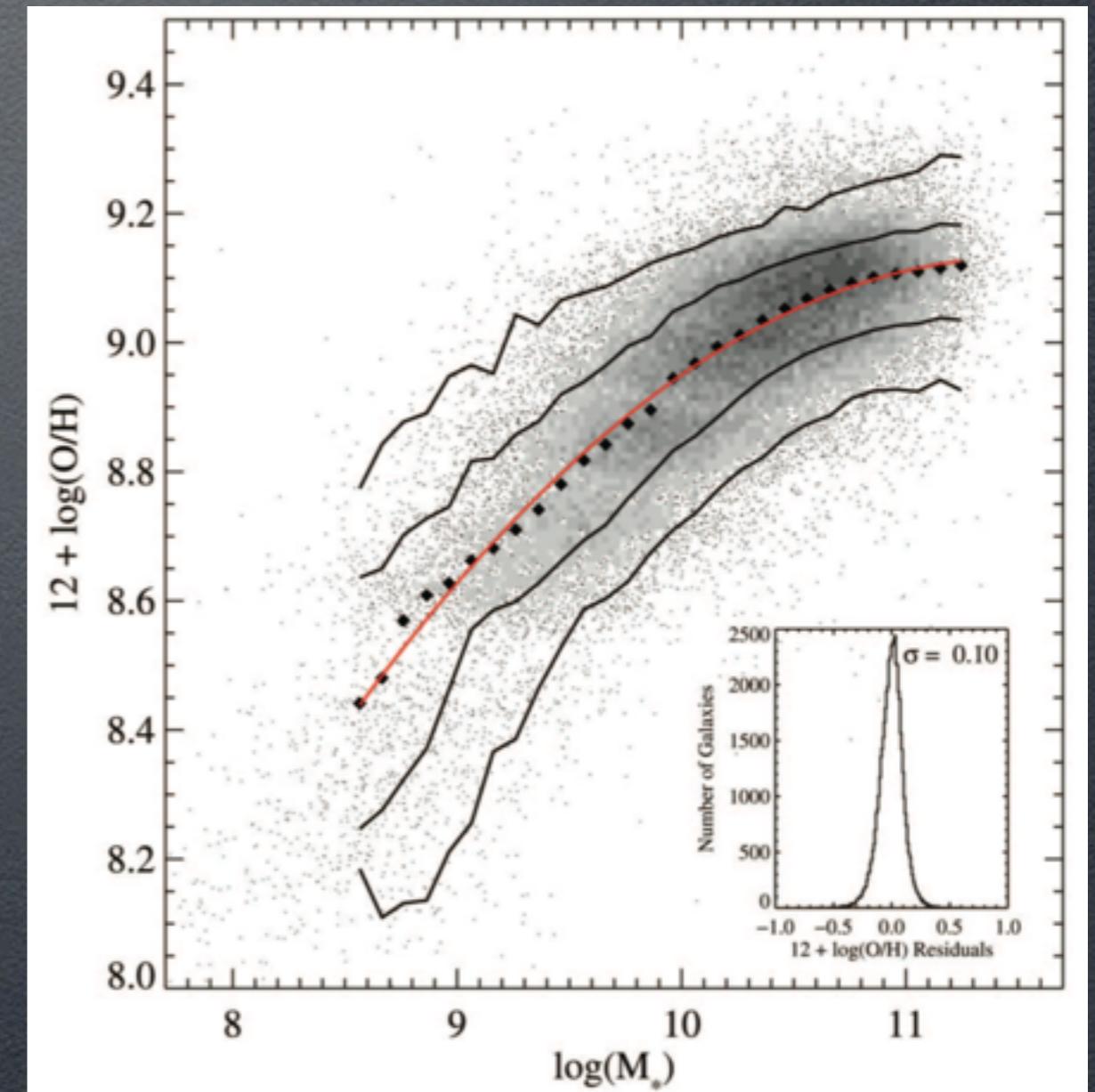
# Facing the Metal uncertainty: SAMI galaxy metallicity maps and cautionary tales

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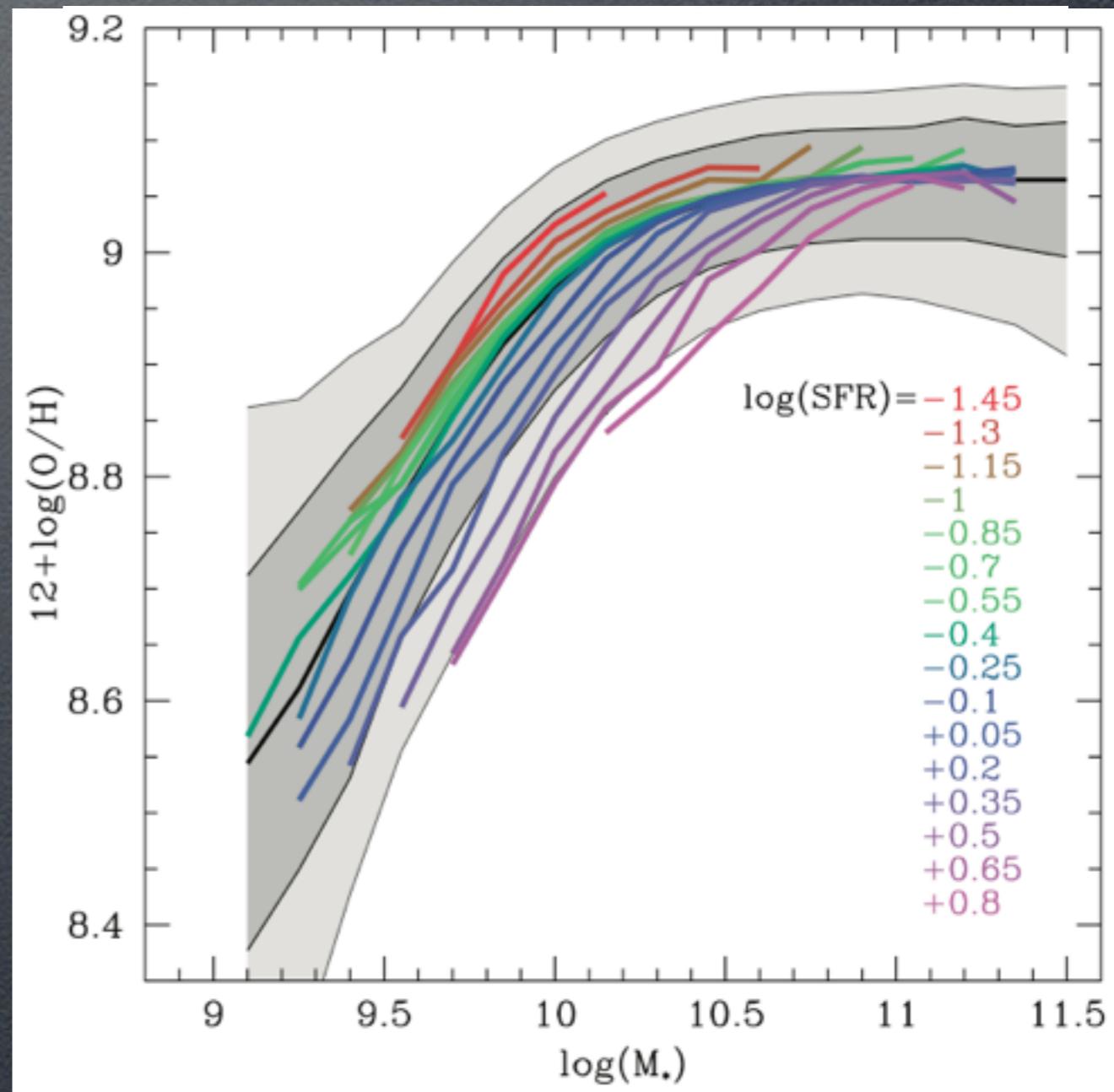
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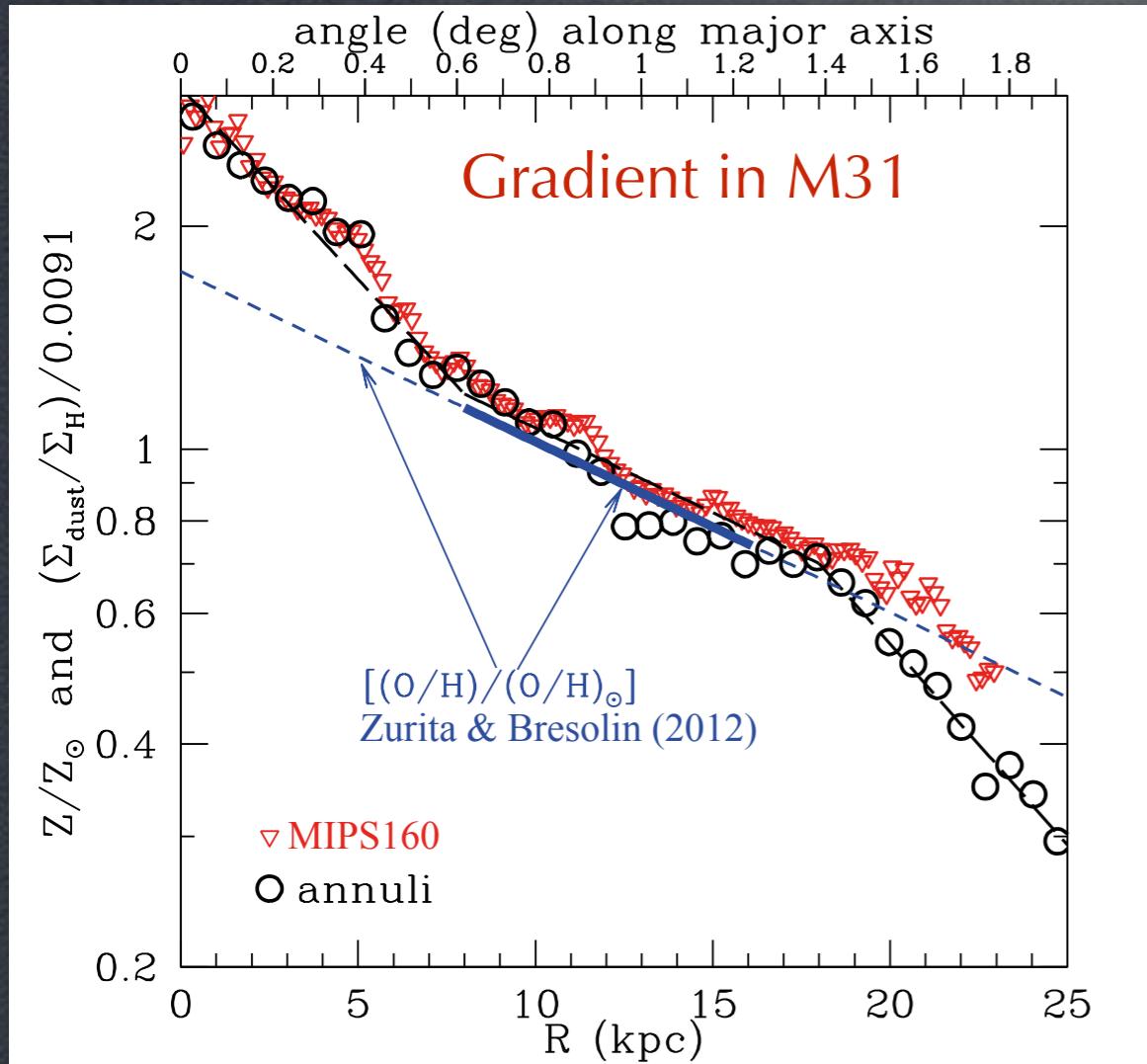
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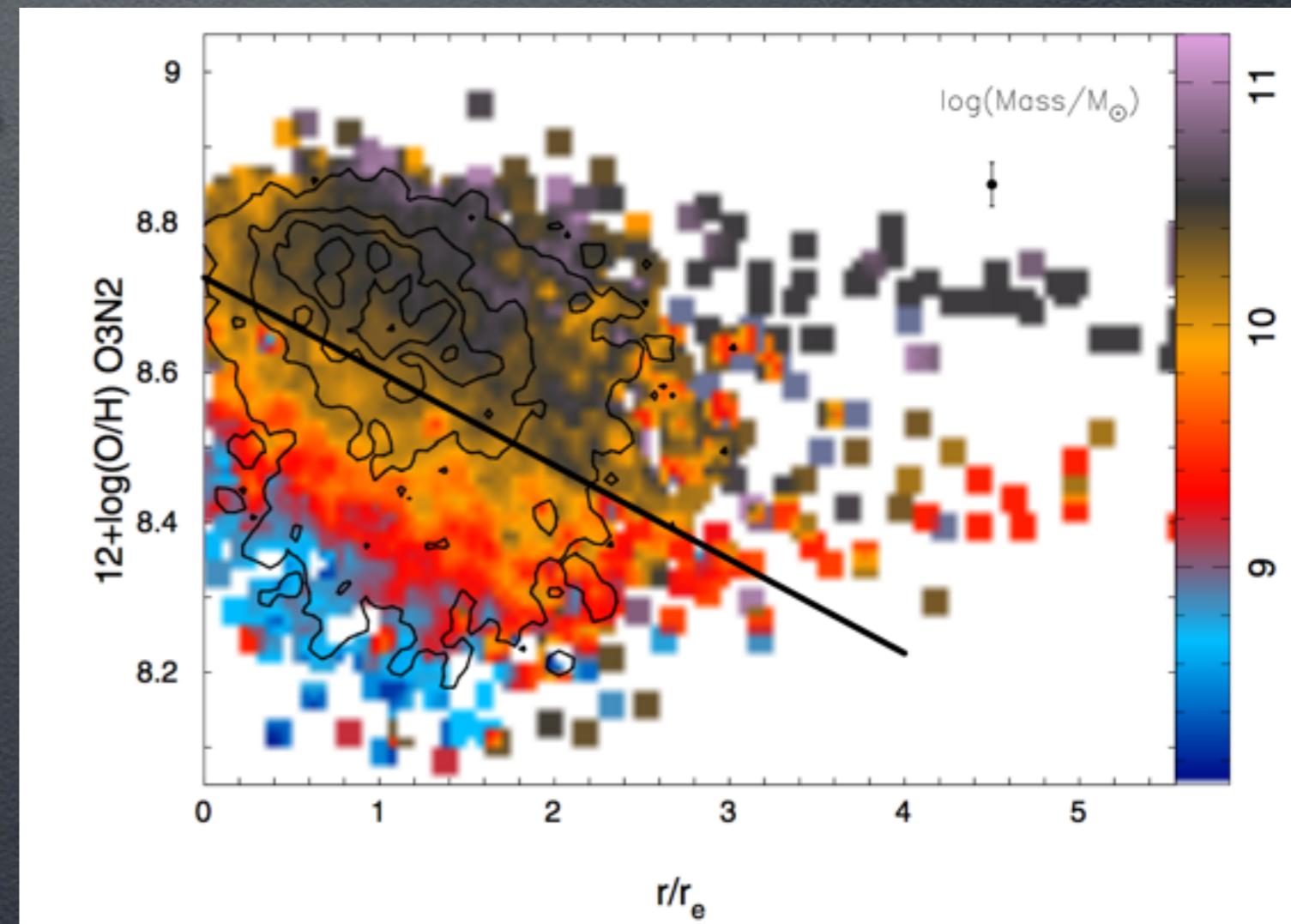
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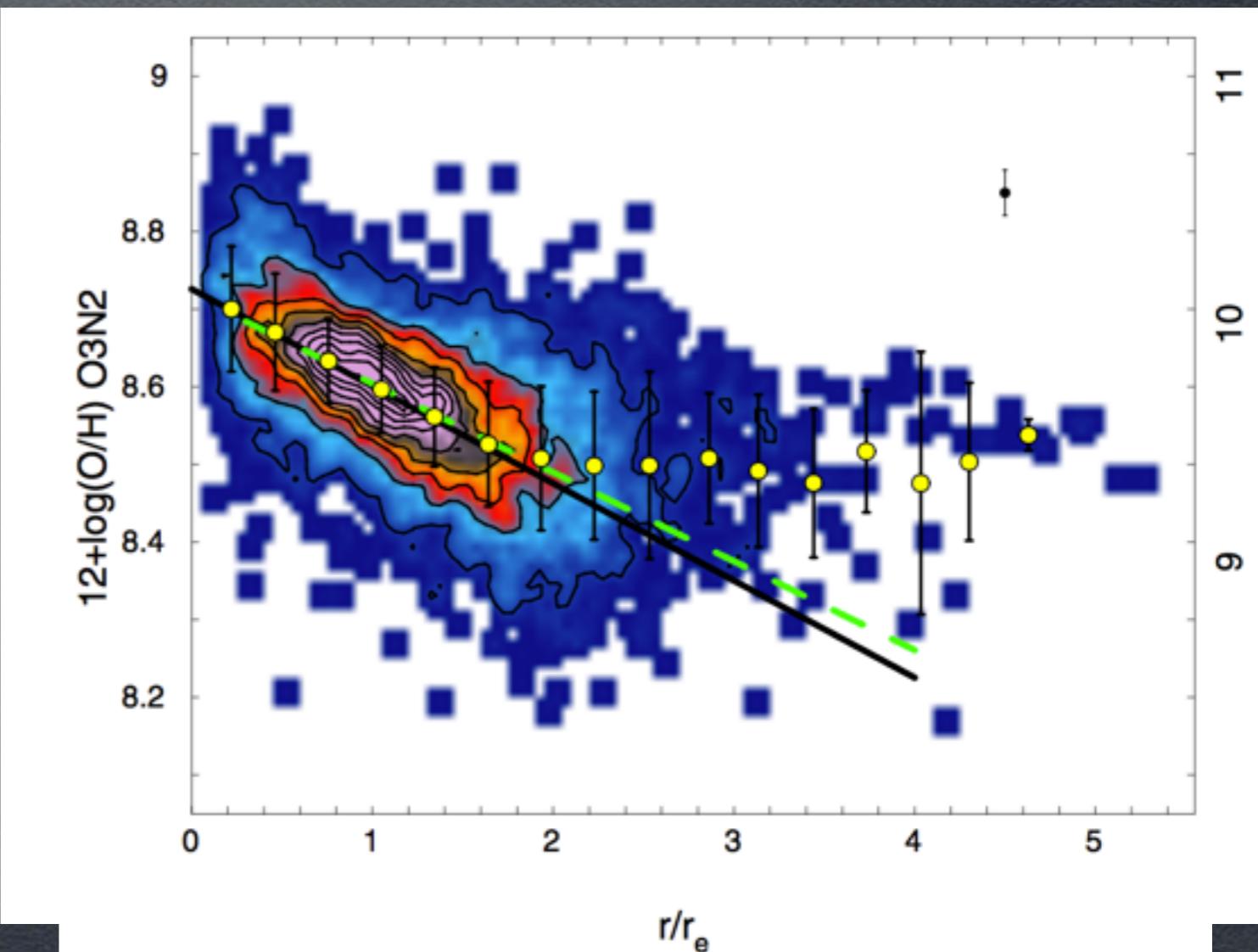
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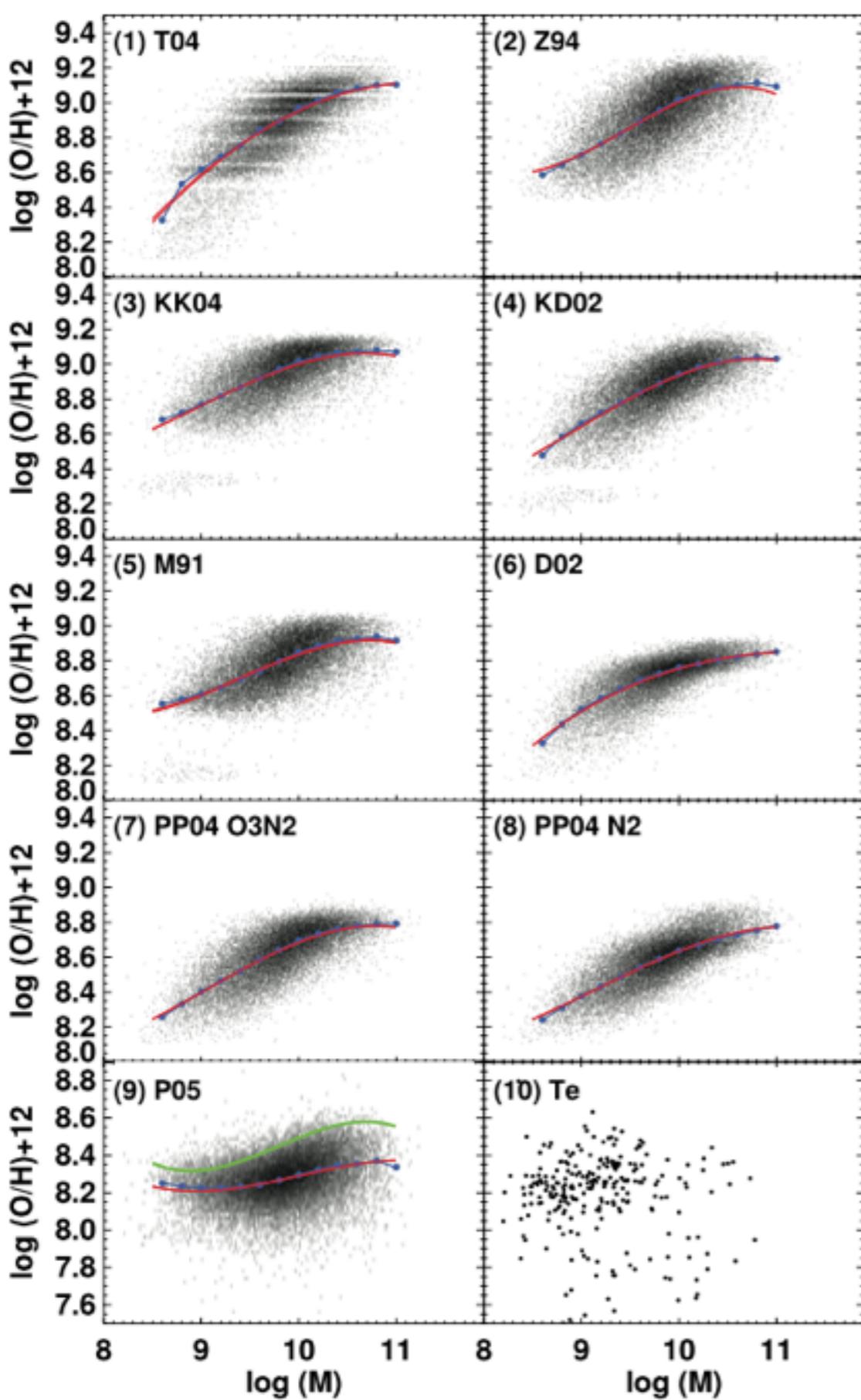
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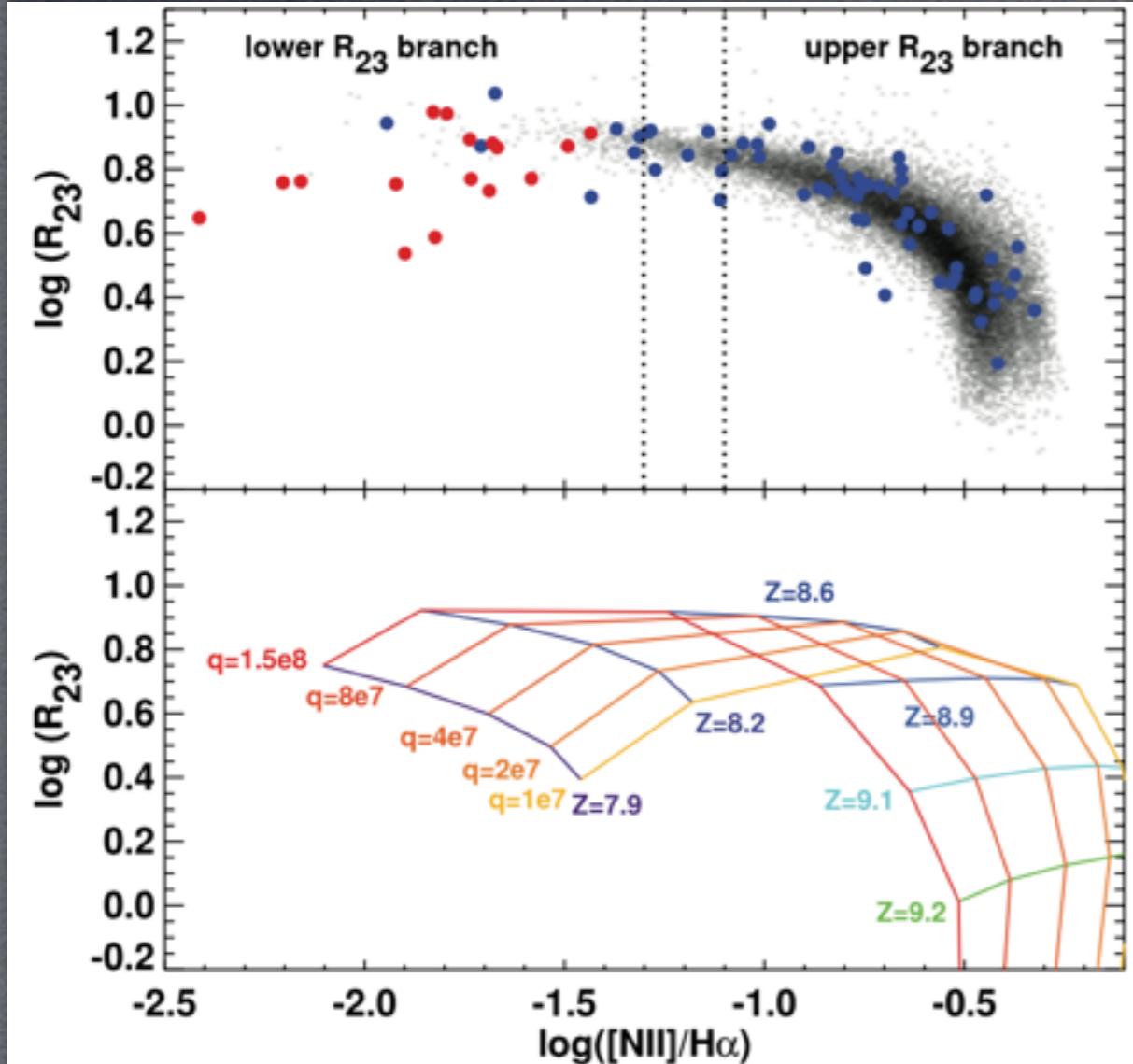
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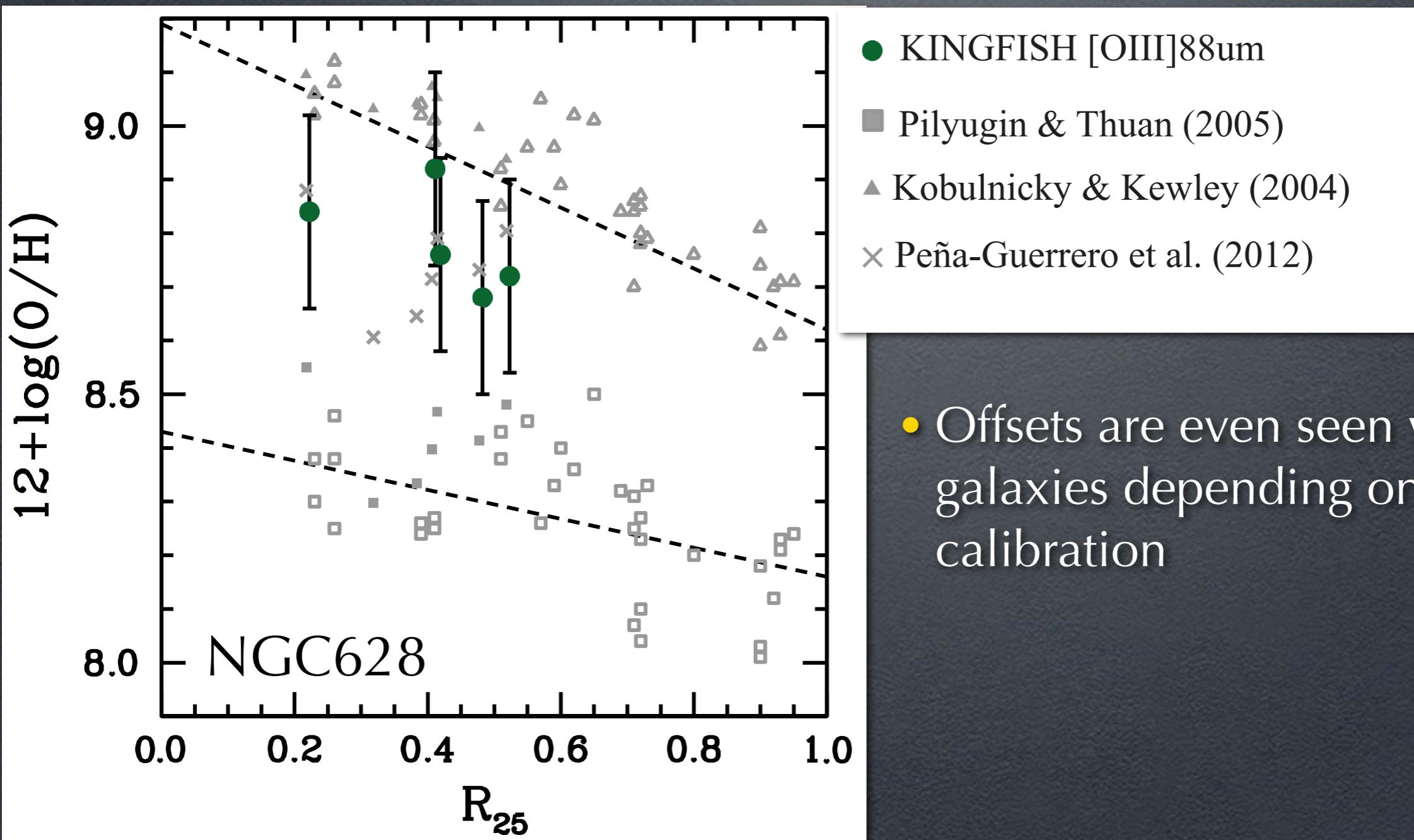
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- These diagnostics are all dependent on physical conditions in ISM (pressure, ionisation)
- Also dependent on the models used (even  $T_e$  method!)

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Croxall, Smith, BG, et al. (2013)  
(& Moustakas et al., 2010 Data)

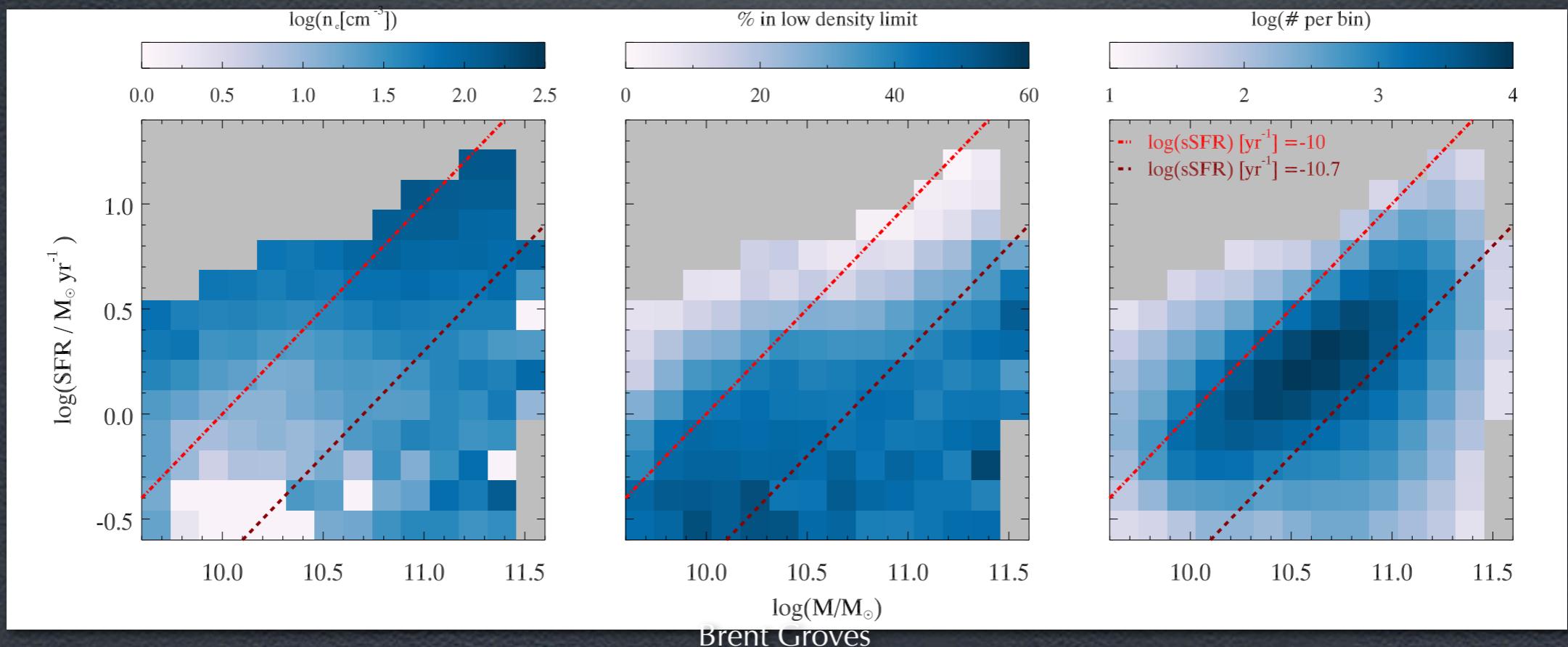
# Feeling dense?

- In the high-z Universe we see an increase in gas phase density from [OII] 3726/3729 ratio
- Locally see the same with ↑ SFR in SDSS with [SII] 6716/6731 ratio
- Metallicity diagnostics depend on ISM density/ Pressure!



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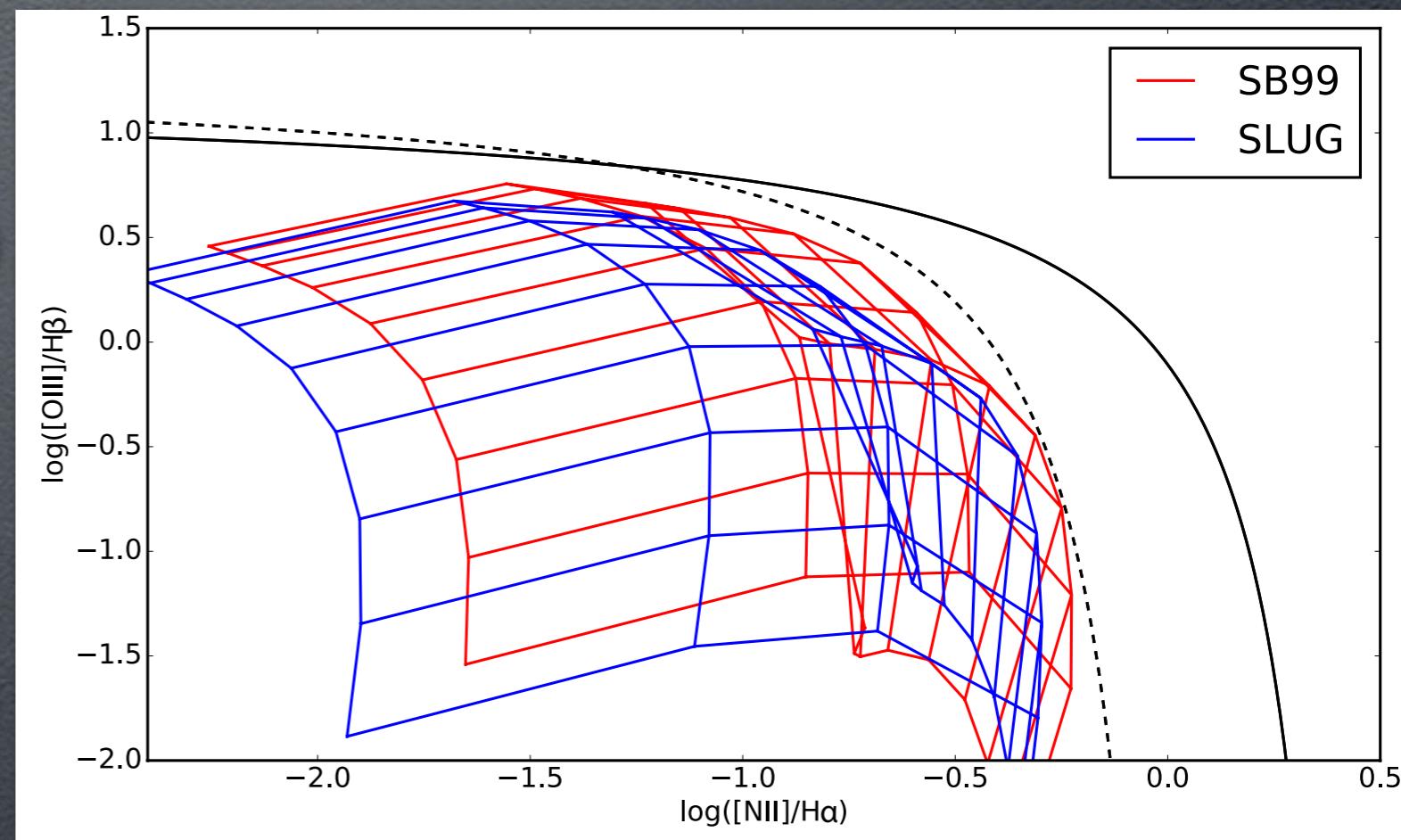
Kaasinen, BG, LK et al. (subm.)



# Synthesizing Systematics

D'Agostino, BG, LK et al. (in prep.)

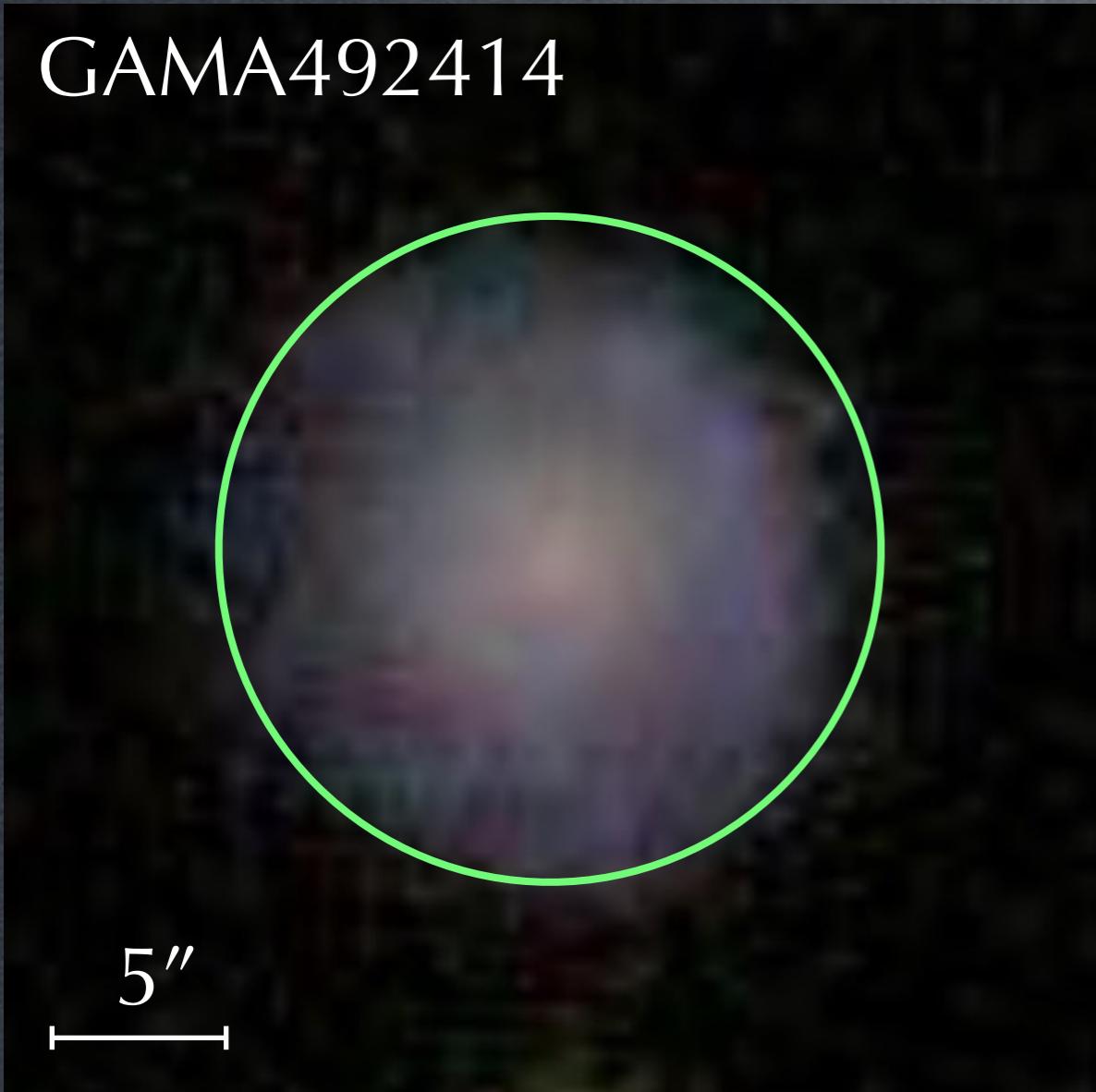
- The basis models also have severe impacts
- Starburst99 (Leitherer+99,03)  
SLUG (da Silva+14)
- Using same stellar tracks & atmospheres
- but different interpolation
- This leads to different strong line metal calibrations!



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D'Agostino



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# Metallicity

- SAMI galaxies with high H $\alpha$  S/N
- Face on
- Significant fraction of fibres
- Test multiple metallicity diagnostics on resolved data!



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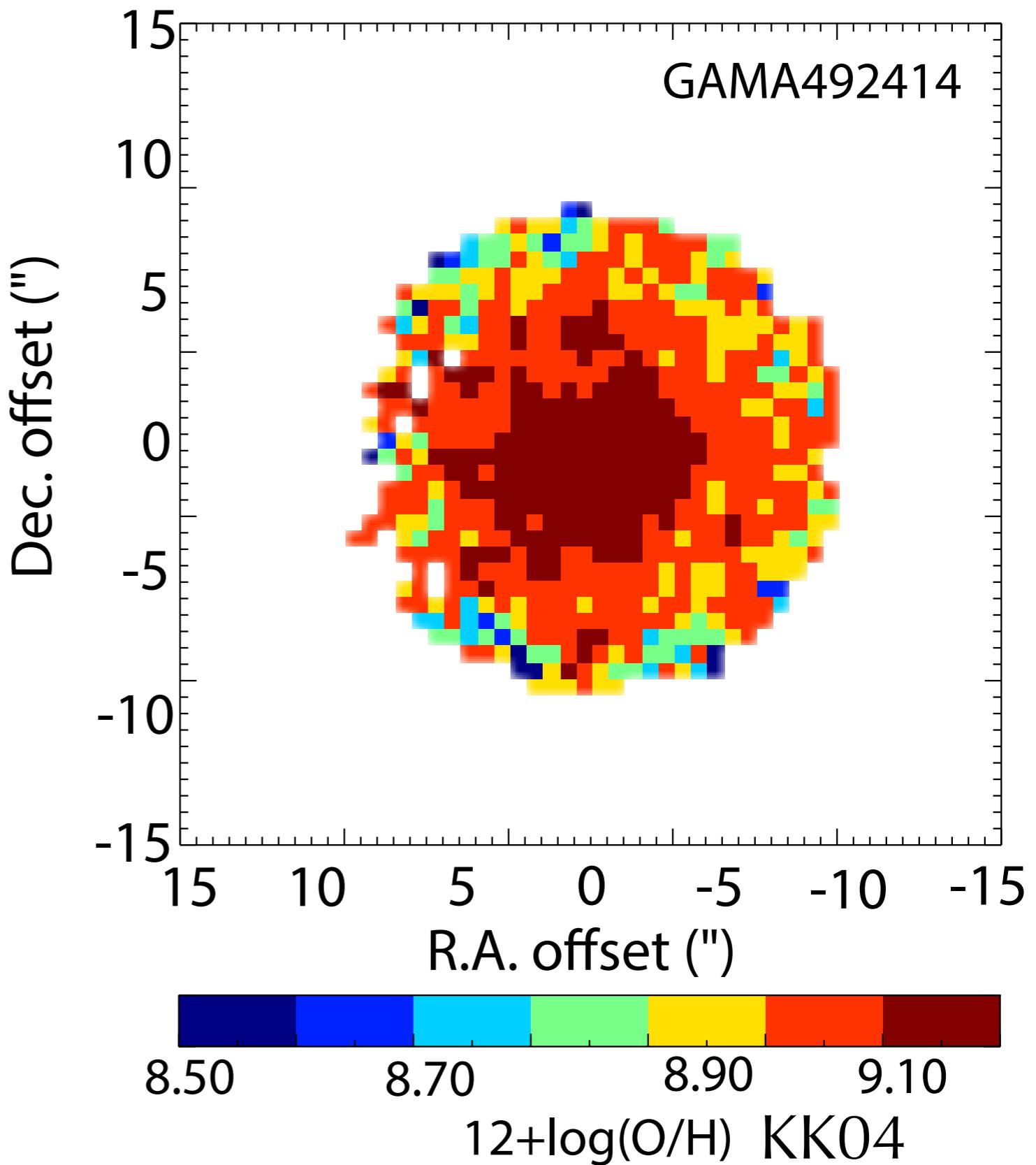


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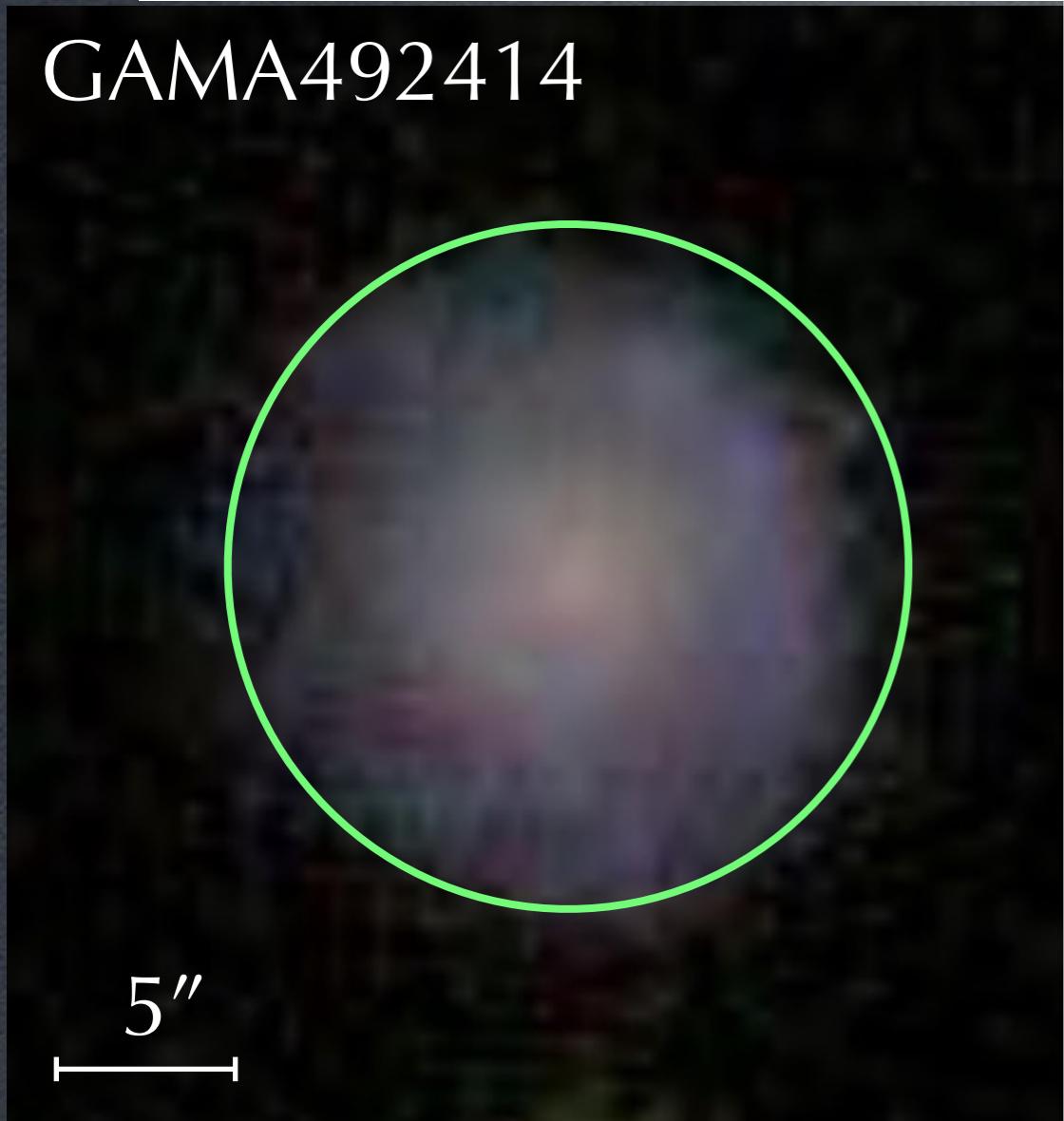
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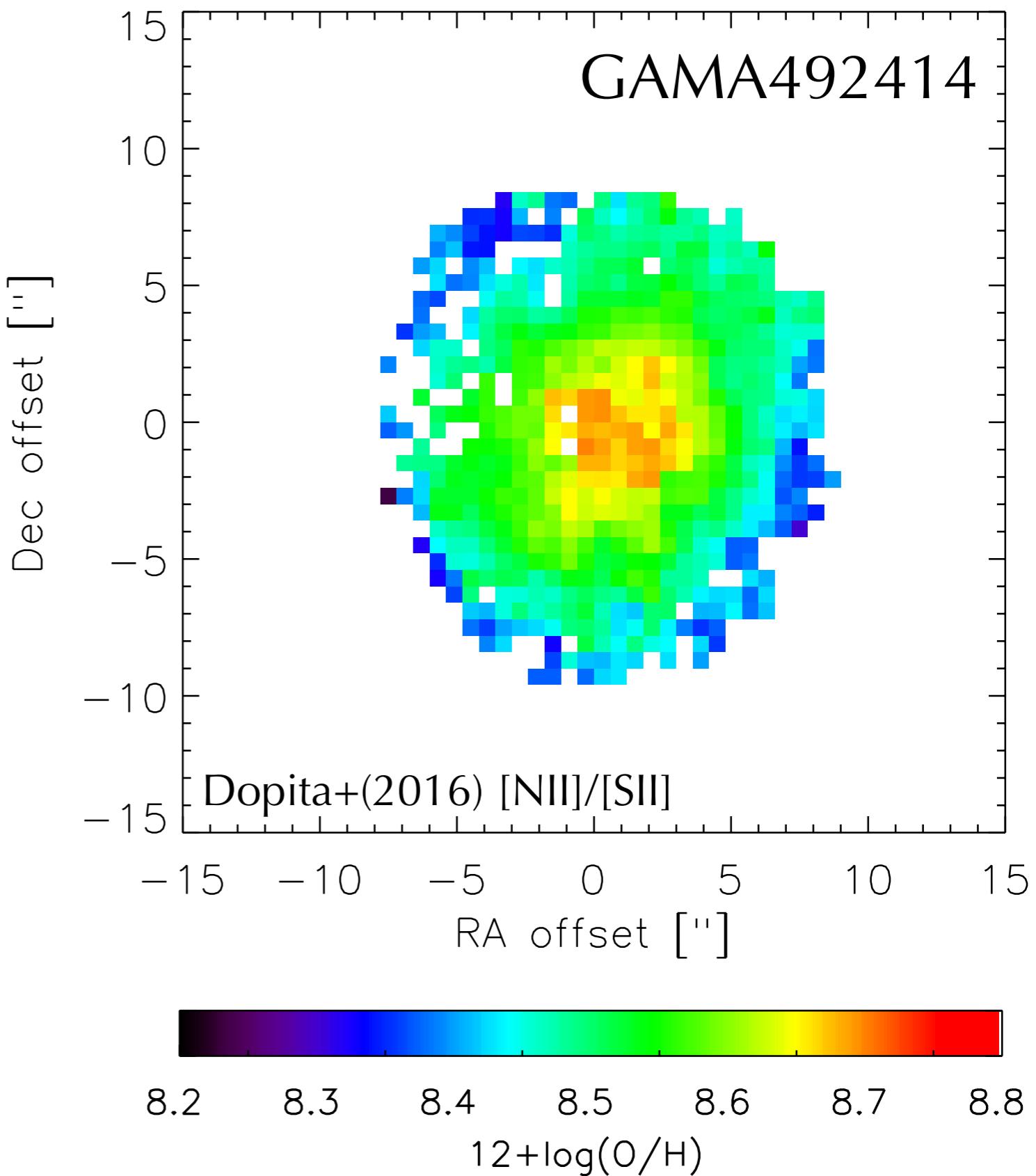
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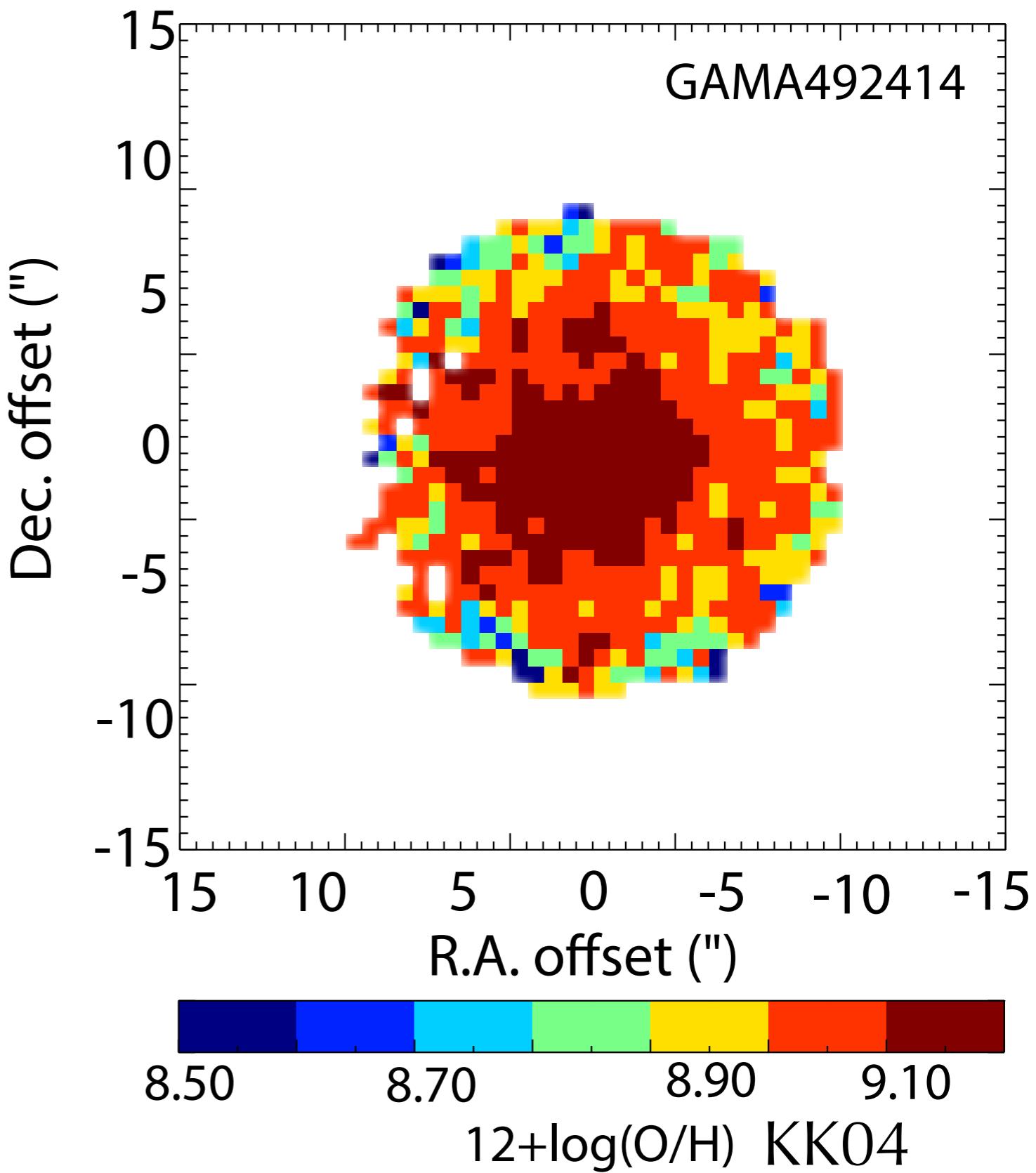
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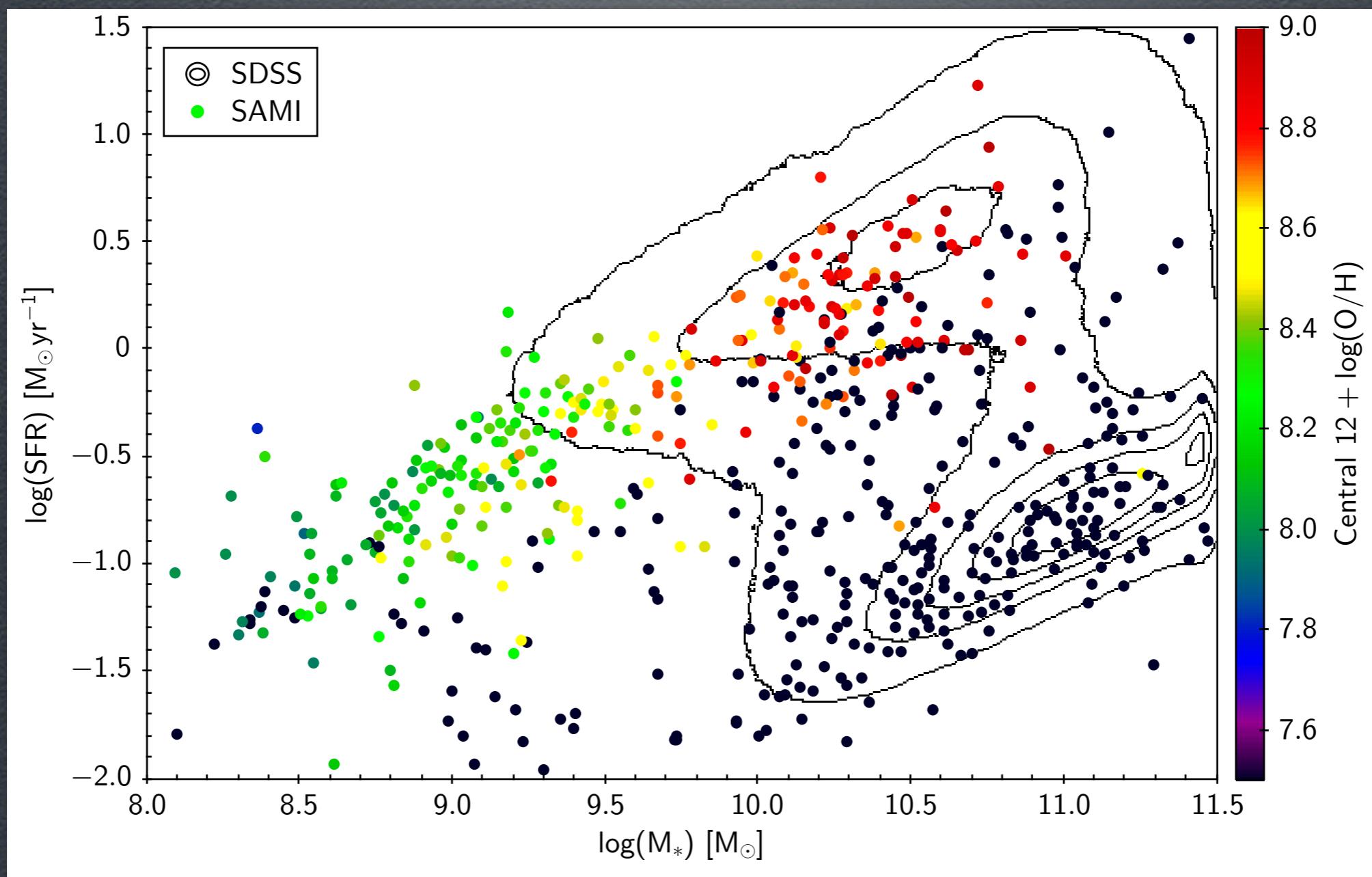
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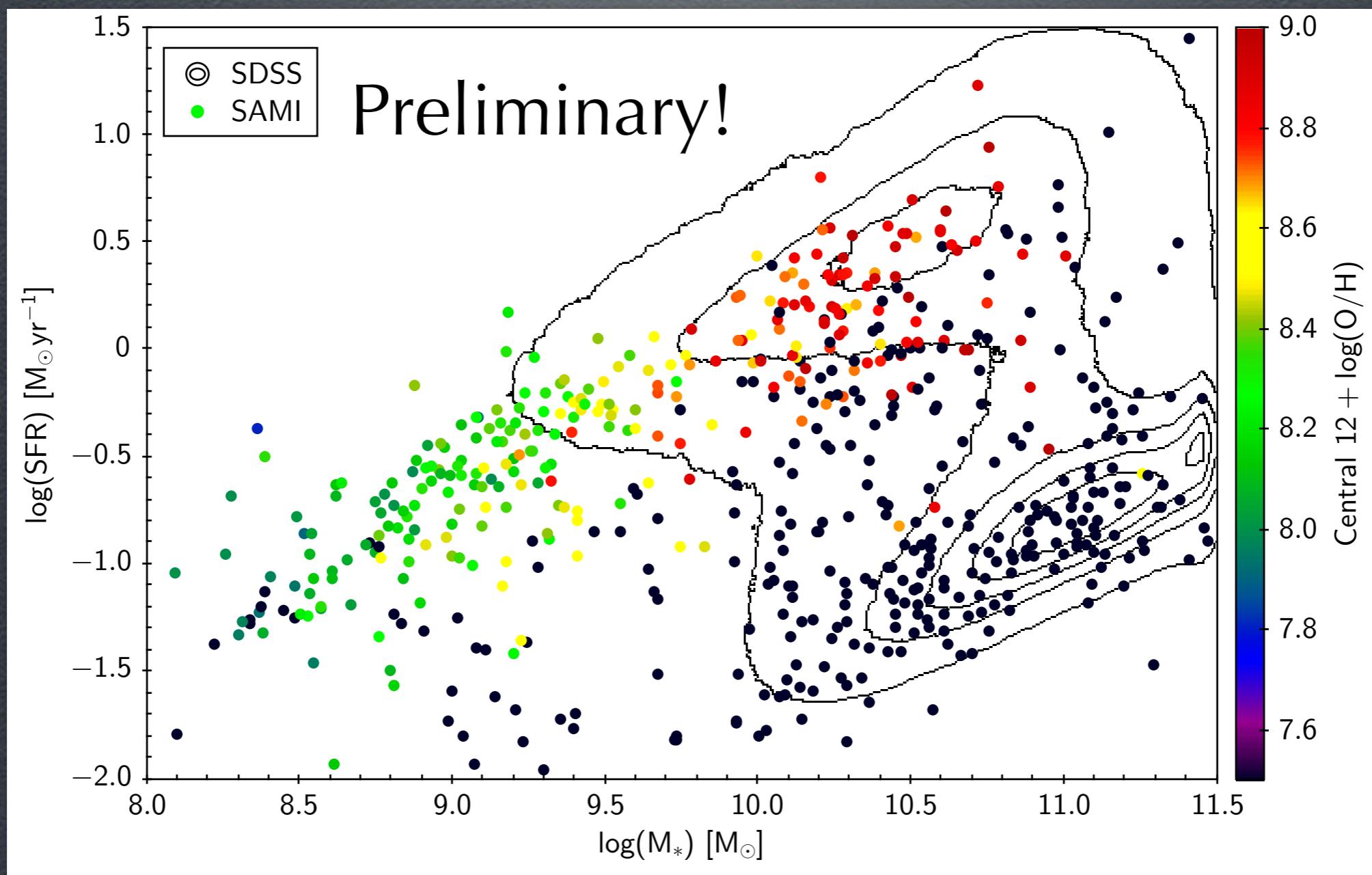


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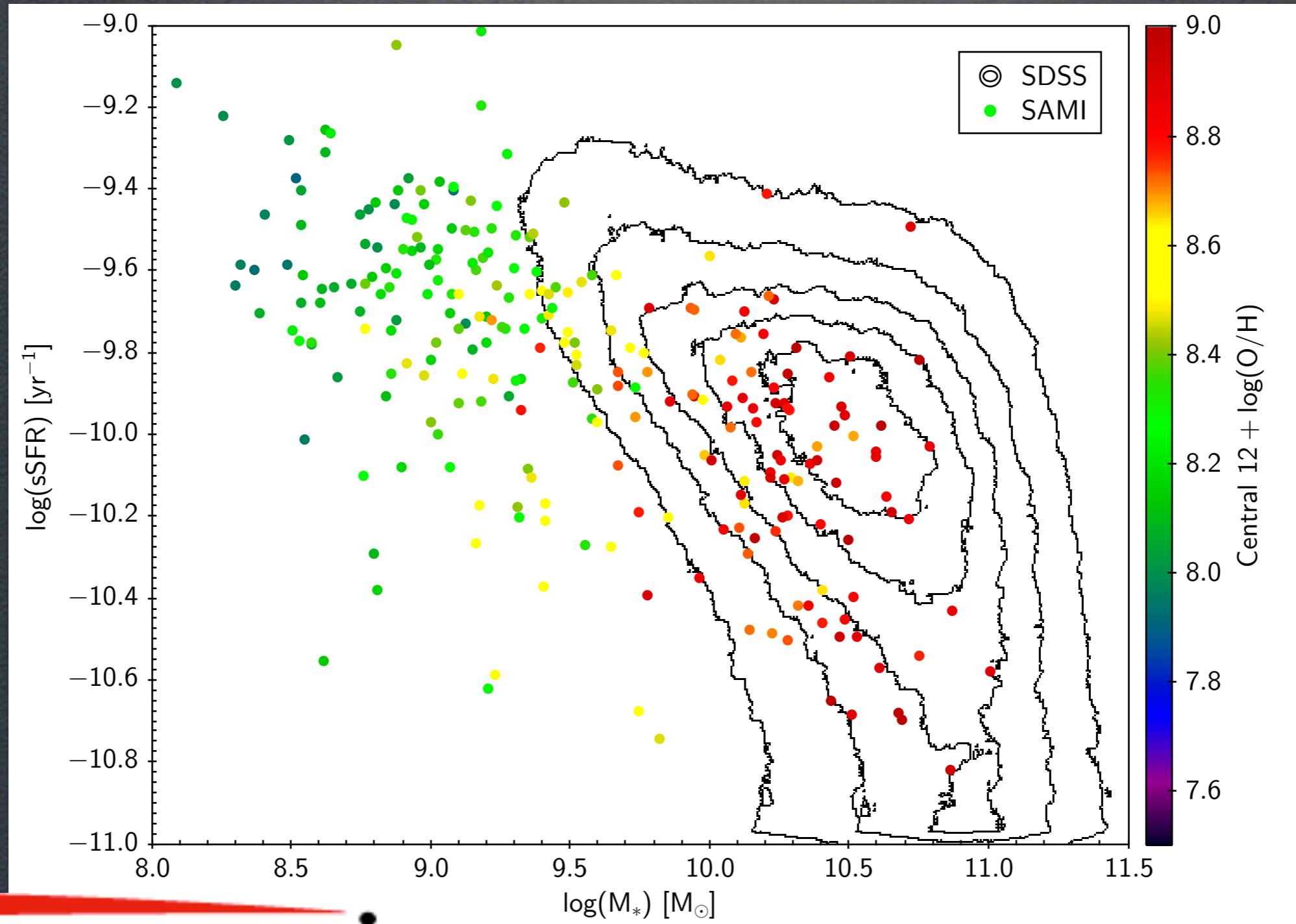
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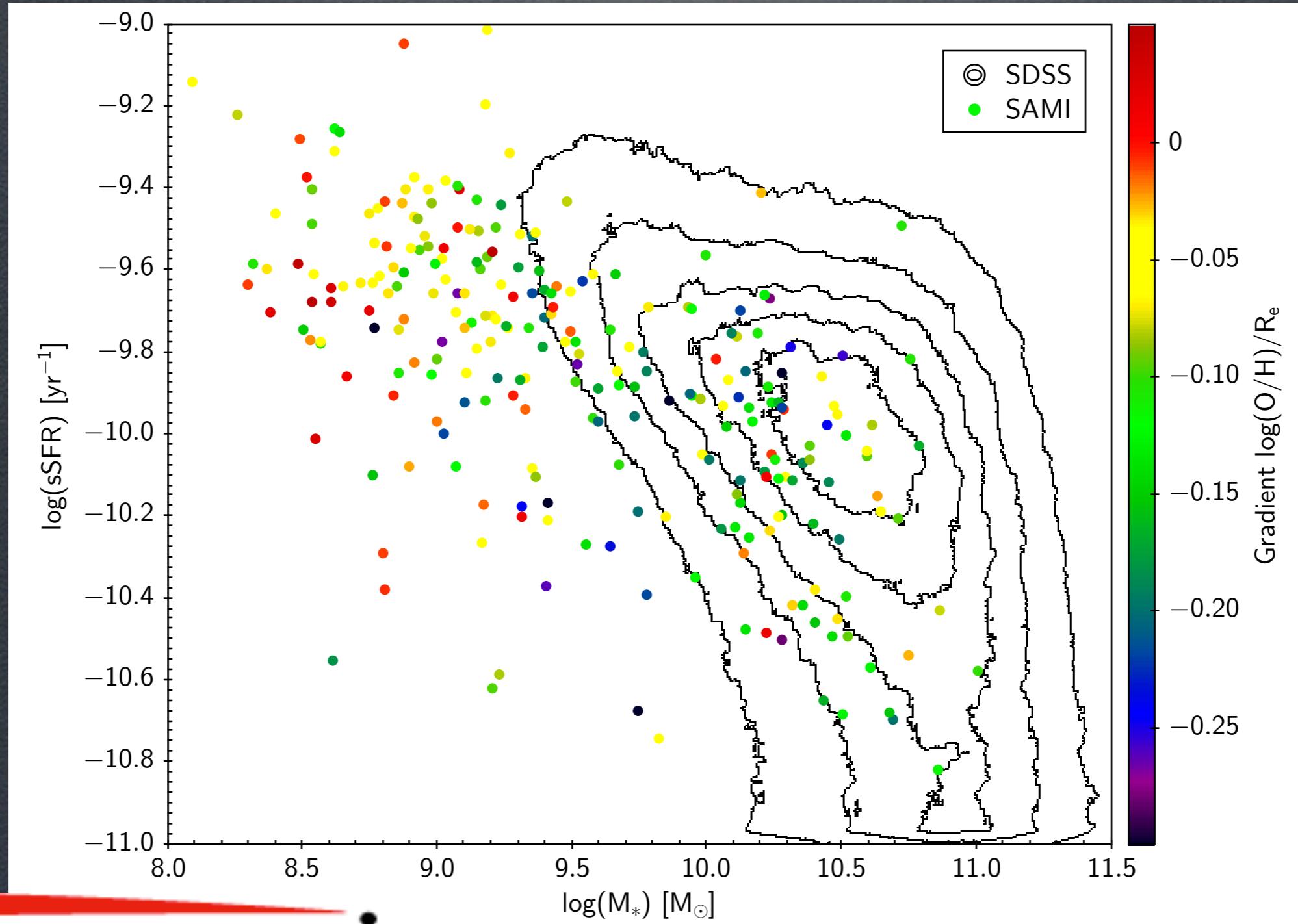
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# Those Devilish Metals

- Gas-phase metallicity follows the stellar mass of the galaxies
- Internally we see a consistent gradient of (O/H) with  $R_e$  independent of galaxy
- Yet we see no variations of (O/H) or gradient with specific Star Formation Rates
- BUT beware of internal and systematic effects
  - Density does vary with SFR
  - Metallicity depends on diagnostics and systematics