

# Dust attenuation in the Universe: what do we know about its variation with redshift and from galaxy to galaxy

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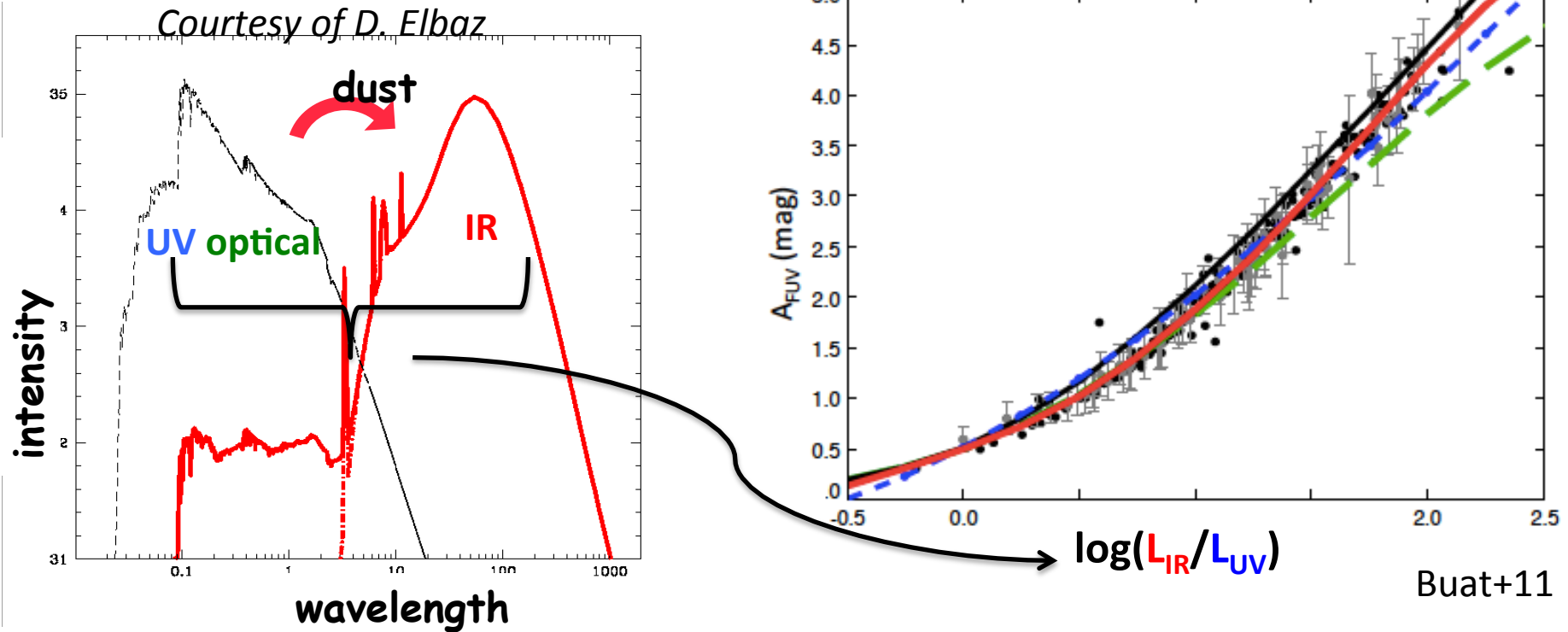
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And many collaborators from *Herschel and AKARI* surveys teams and  
the *HELP* european network



# General context



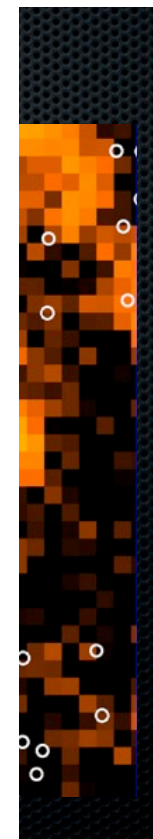
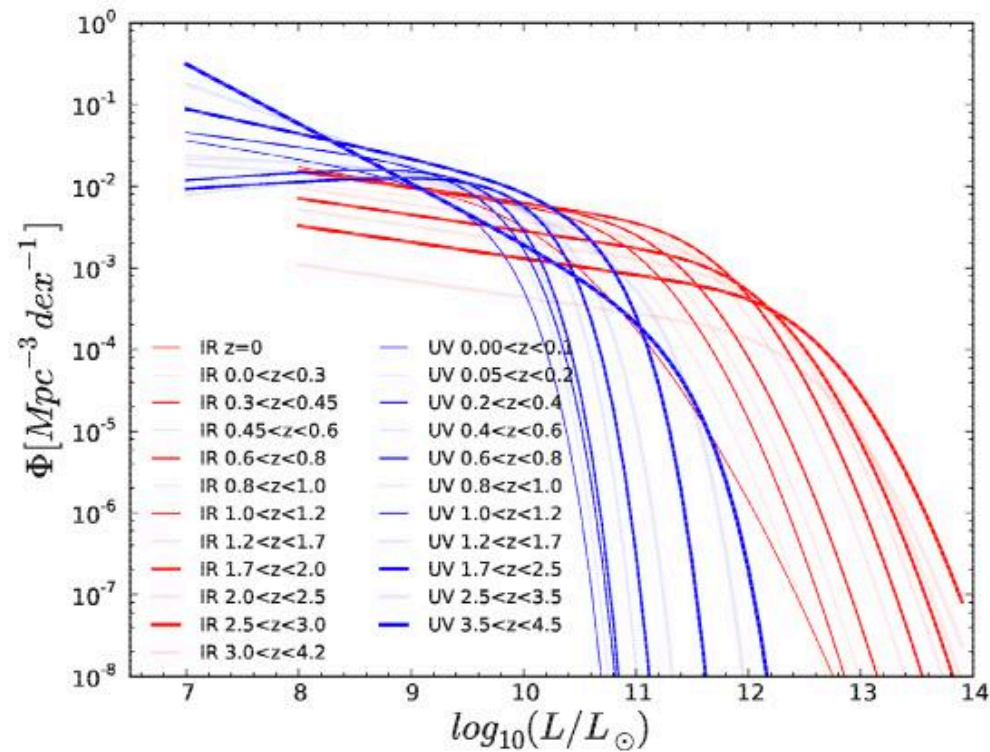
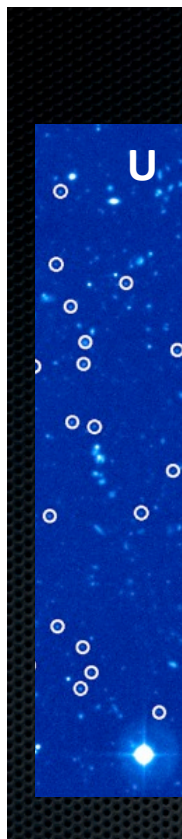
Both UV and IR emissions are related to recent star formation and to dust attenuation

The only relatively reliable measure for the UV attenuation factor for single galaxies was found in the ratio of the integrated far-IR flux to the far-UV flux, measured near 1600 Å, requiring the measurement of the entire spectral energy distribution of galaxies.

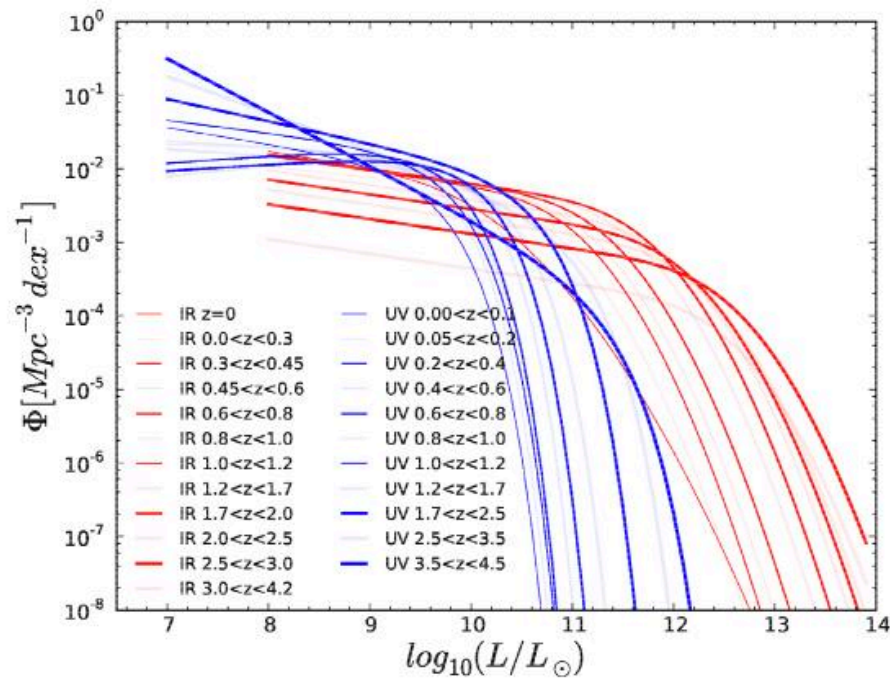
*Witt & Gordon 2000*

# COSMOS field:

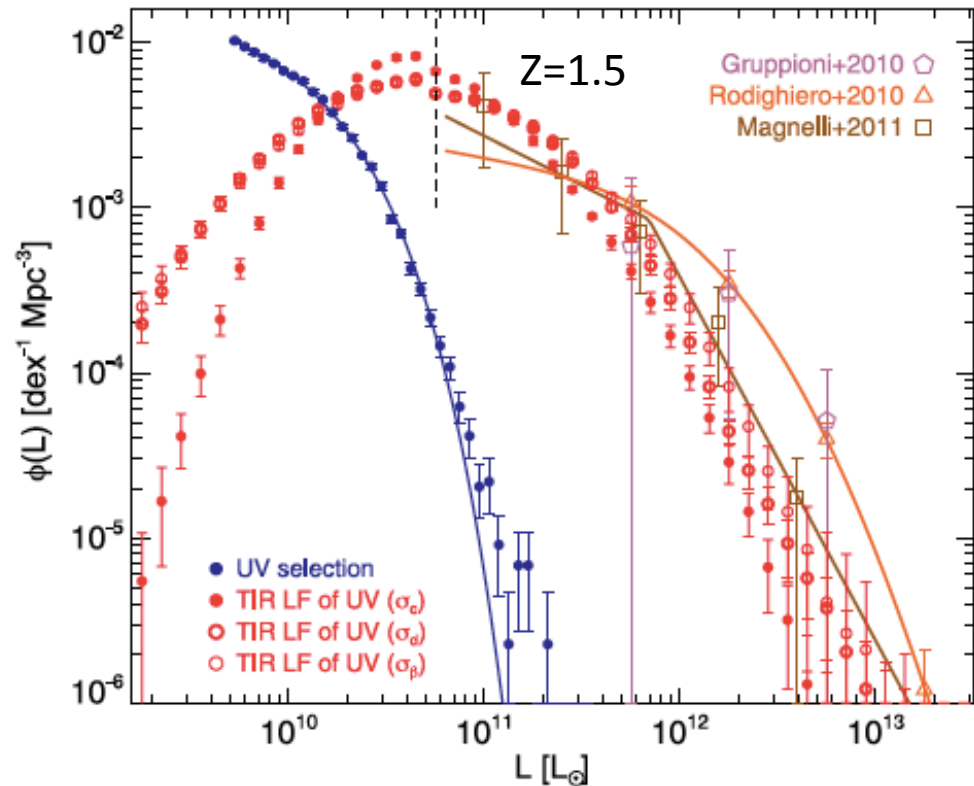
Almost no counterpart of UV-rest frame selected sources in Herschel images



# Are we able to 'see' all the universe in UV?

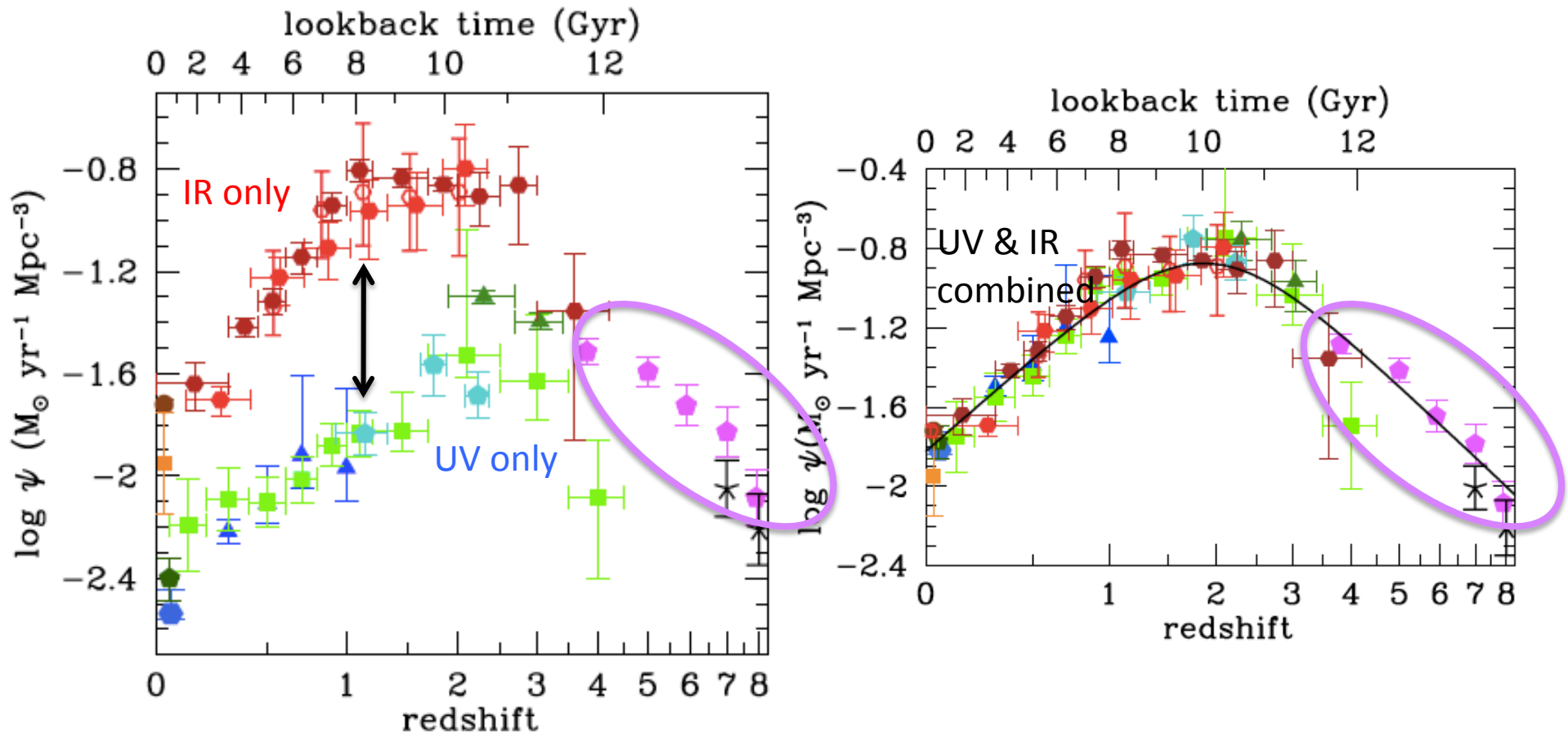


Burgarella+13



Heinis+13

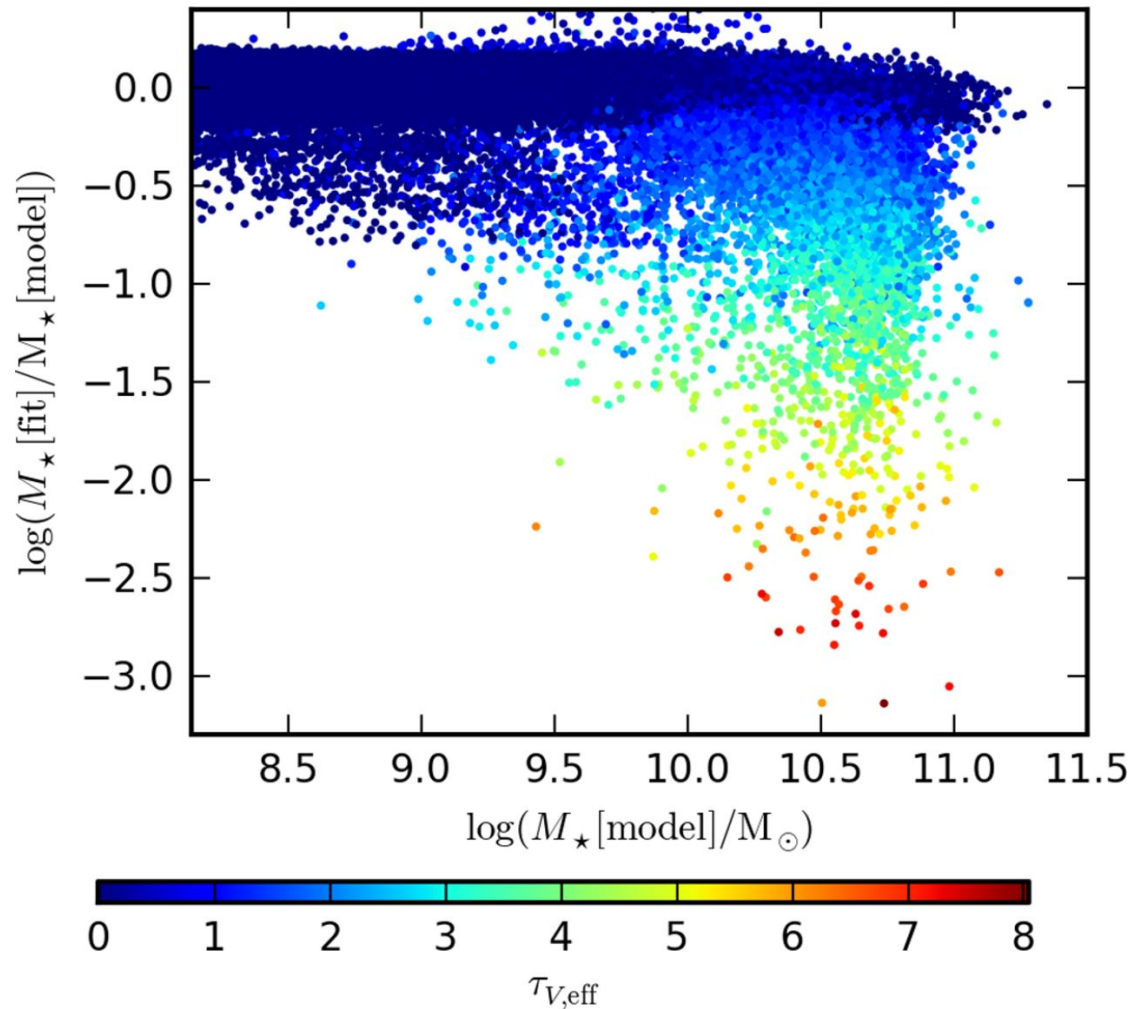
# SFR measurements need corrections for attenuation



*Madau & Dickinson 2014*



# Dust attenuation has also an impact on $M_*$ determination



**Model:** GALFORM  
semi-analytical  
modelling  
**Fit:** SED fitting with  
standard recipes:  
BC03 SPS, Calzetti  
att. Law,  
exponentially  
declining SFR  
Without FIR/  
submm data

*Mitchell+ 2013*

# About dust attenuation in the universe: **outline**

- **The global amount of attenuation in the universe:  
UV and IR luminosity densities**
- **Attenuation in samples of single galaxies:**
  - UV emitting galaxies:
  - IR selected galaxies
- **A consistent picture with the stellar mass as main driver of dust attenuation**
- **The attenuation law: a universal one ? → NO**

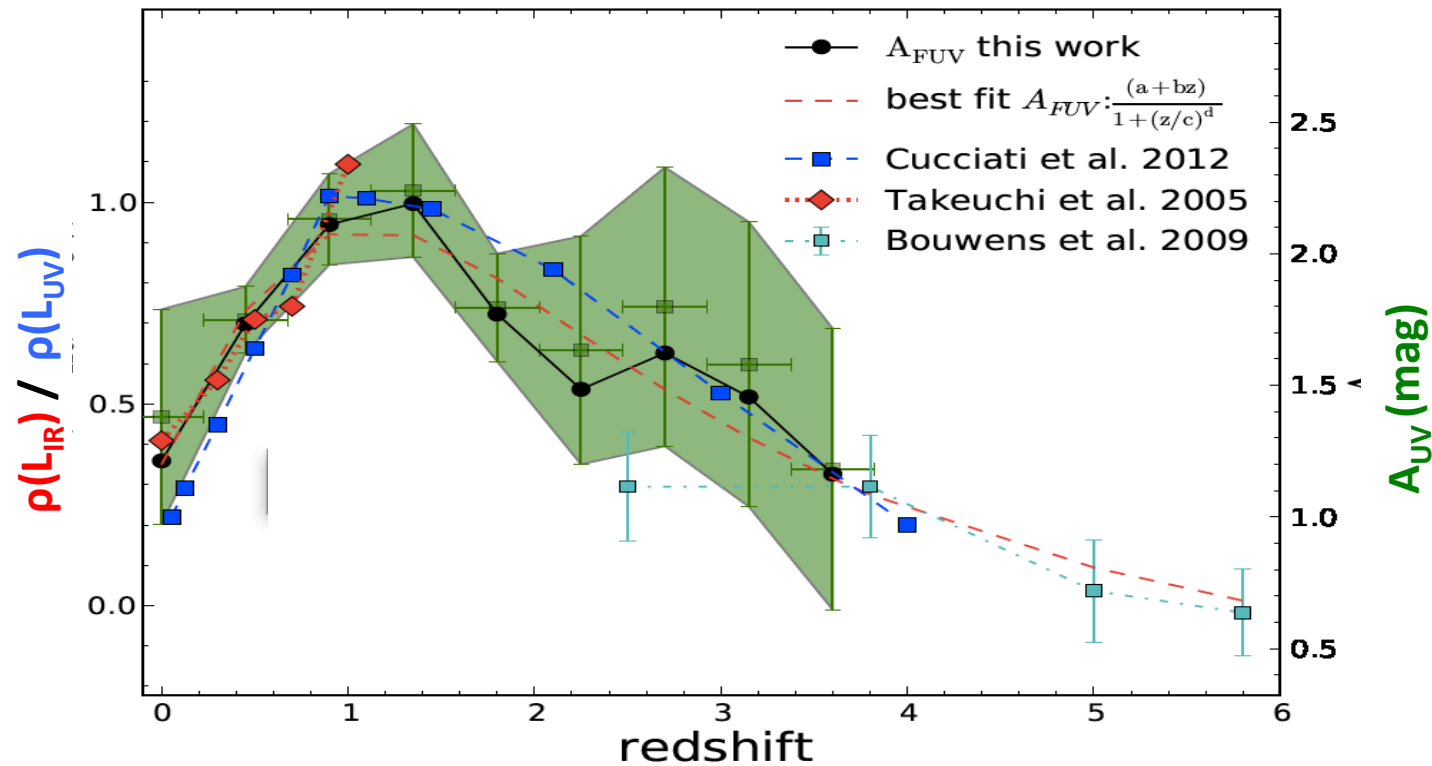
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# $\rho(L_{IR}) / \rho(L_{UV})$ as a measure of $\langle A(UV) \rangle$ in the universe

Burgarella, Buat et al. +13 (& Takeuchi, Buat & Burgarella+05)  
 Herschel (IR) and optical surveys (UV)

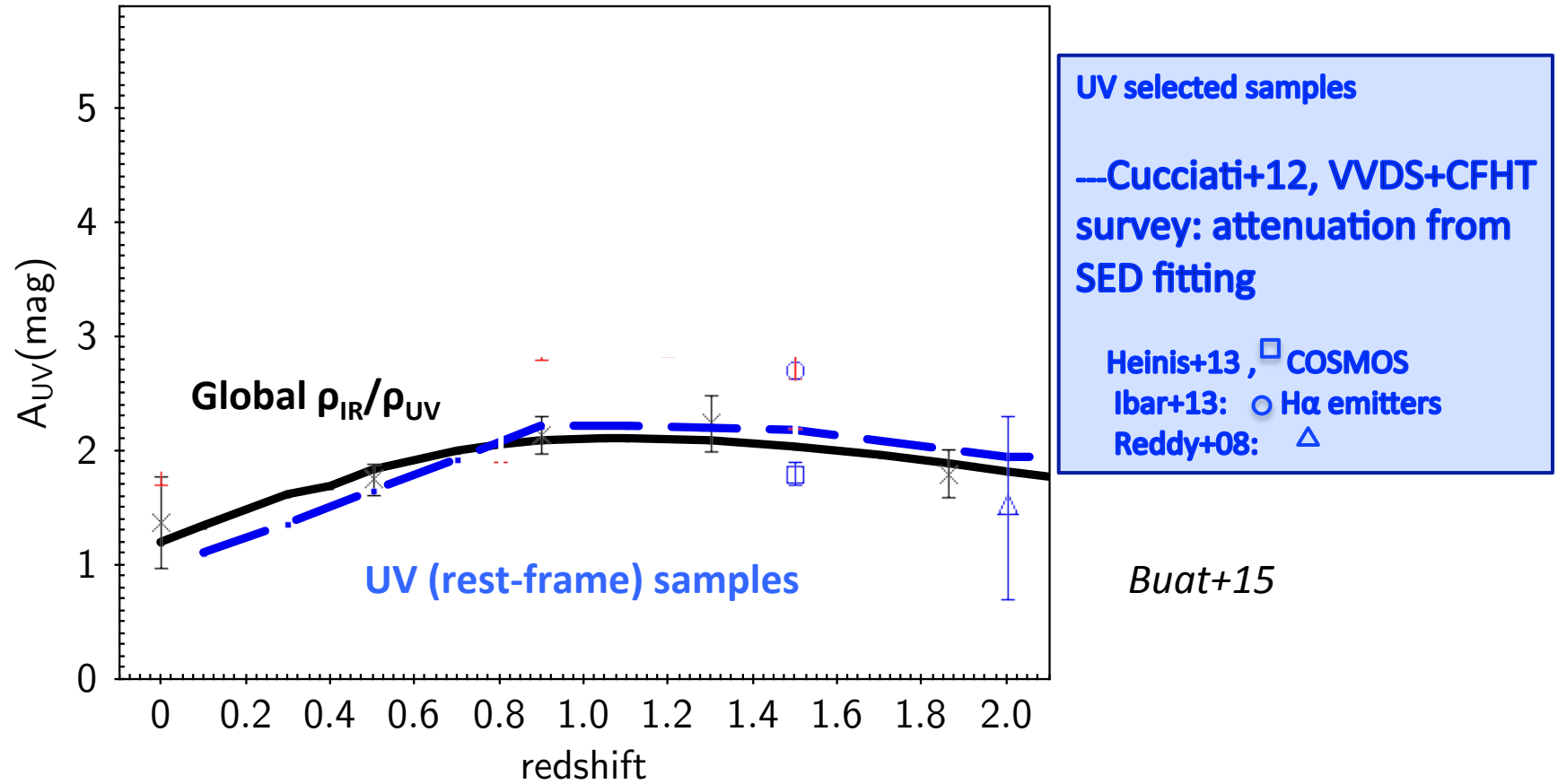


Attenuation increases up to  $z=1$  and then decreases  $A_{UV}(z=0) \sim A_{UV}(z=4)$

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# Evolution of dust attenuation with $z$ : global and UV selection



**UV selected samples:** similar to the global one measured with  $\rho_{\text{IR}}/\rho_{\text{UV}}$

Study of UV selected galaxies  
in the COSMOS field @  $z=1.5, 3 \text{ \& } 4$   
Heinis+13,+14 **HerMES project**

## UV selected Samples

Based on photometric redshifts (Ilbert+13)

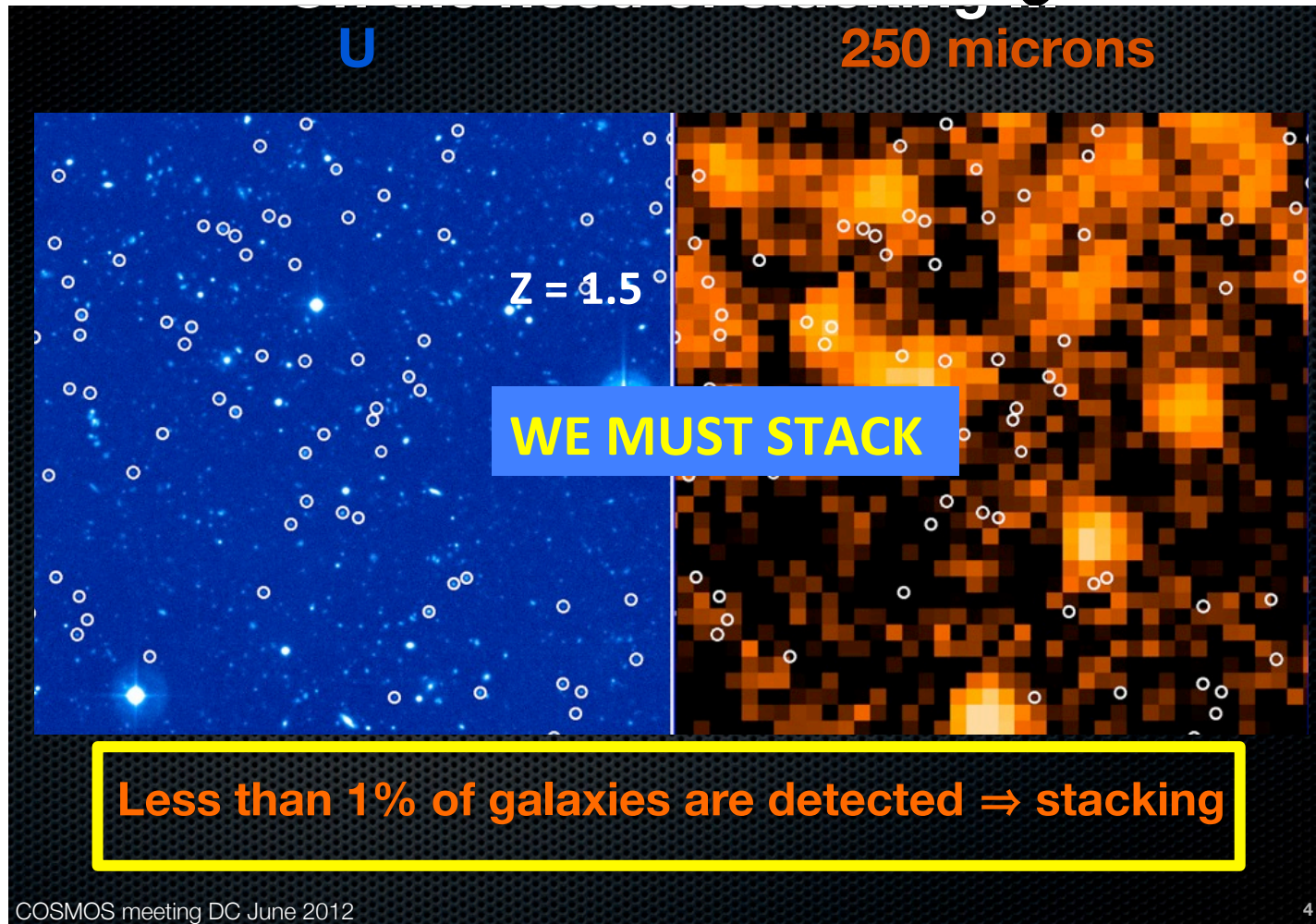
- FUV restframe selections
  - $z \sim 1.5$ : u-band selection ( $1.2 < z < 1.7$ ), 41,102 galaxies
  - $z \sim 3$  : r-band selection ( $2.75 < z < 3.25$ ), 23,774 galaxies
  - $z \sim 4$  : i-band selection ( $3.5 < z < 4$ ), 7,713 galaxies

SISSA, May 3, 2016

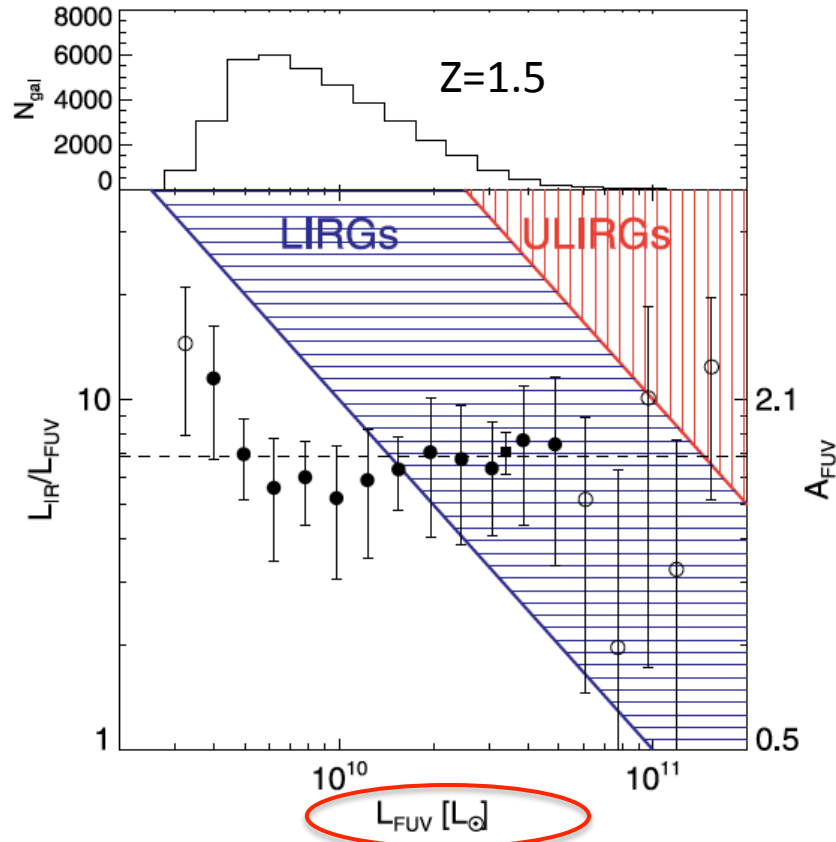


## Adding the IR to the UV:

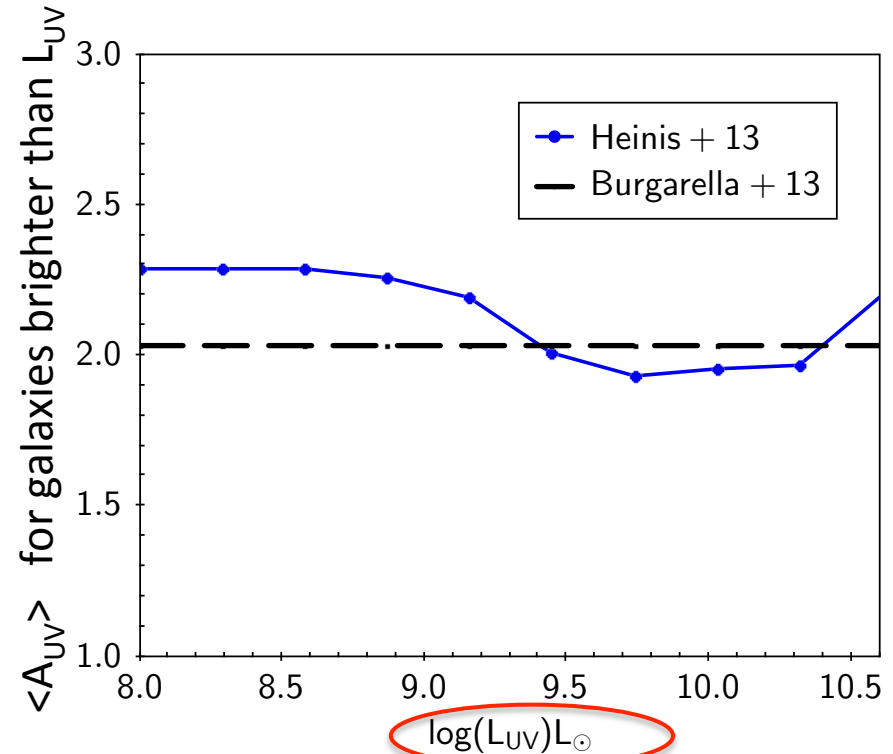
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Heinis+13,+14



No trend of  $L_{IR}/L_{UV}$  with  $L_{UV}$   
 → The same average  $L_{IR}/L_{UV}$   
 is measured for any cut in  $L_{IR}$



→  $\langle A_{UV} \rangle$  in any UV selection is similar  
 to the average attenuation



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# A 8 $\mu\text{m}$ rest-frame selection in the NEP-AKARI deep field

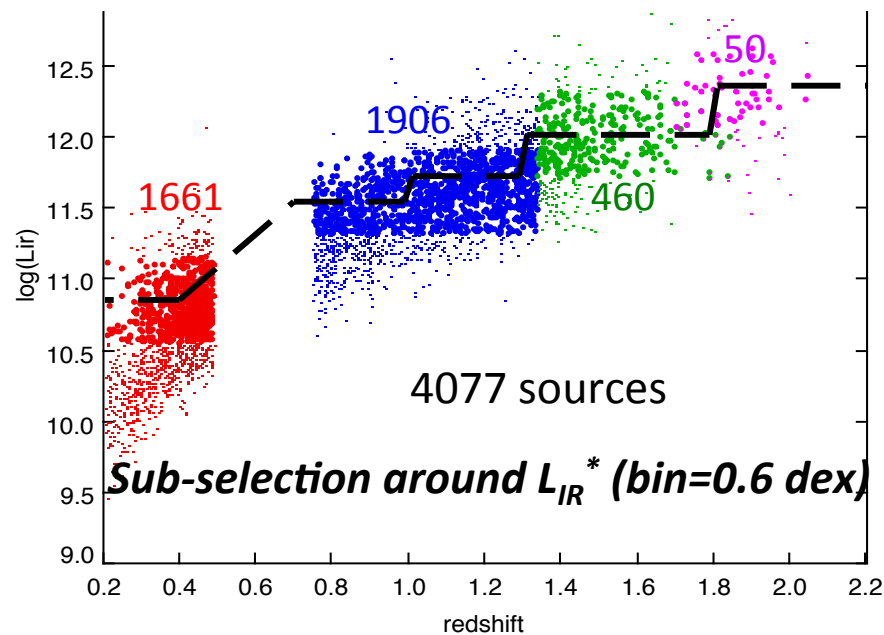
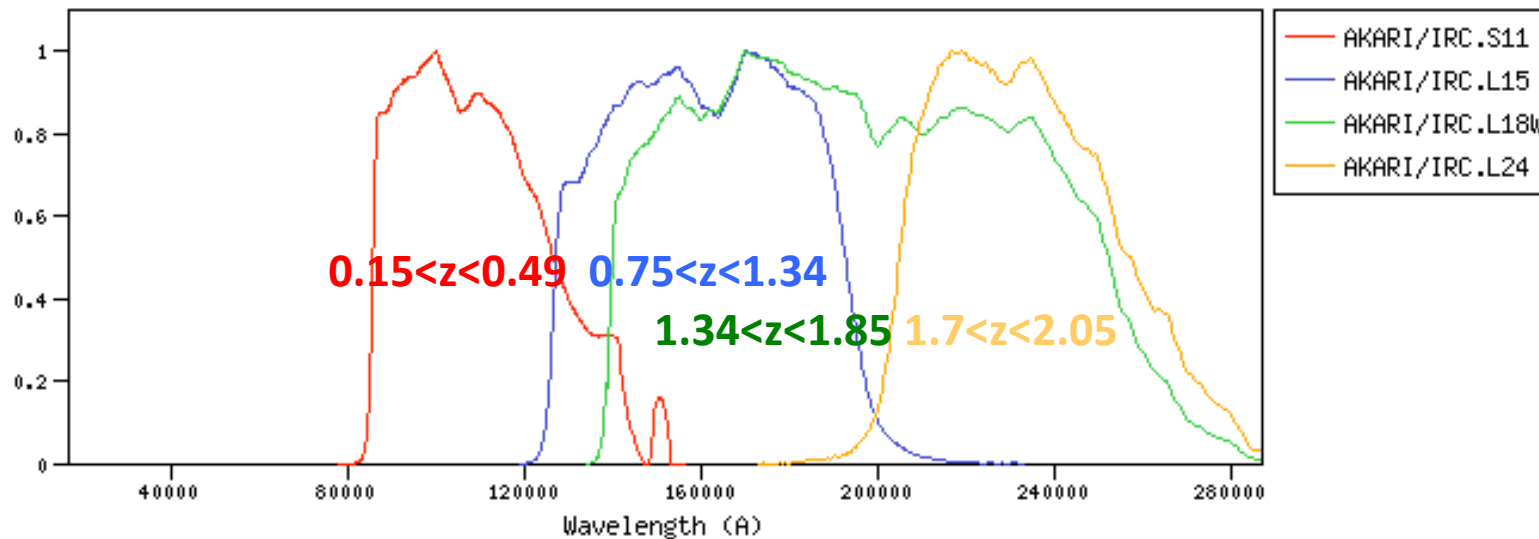
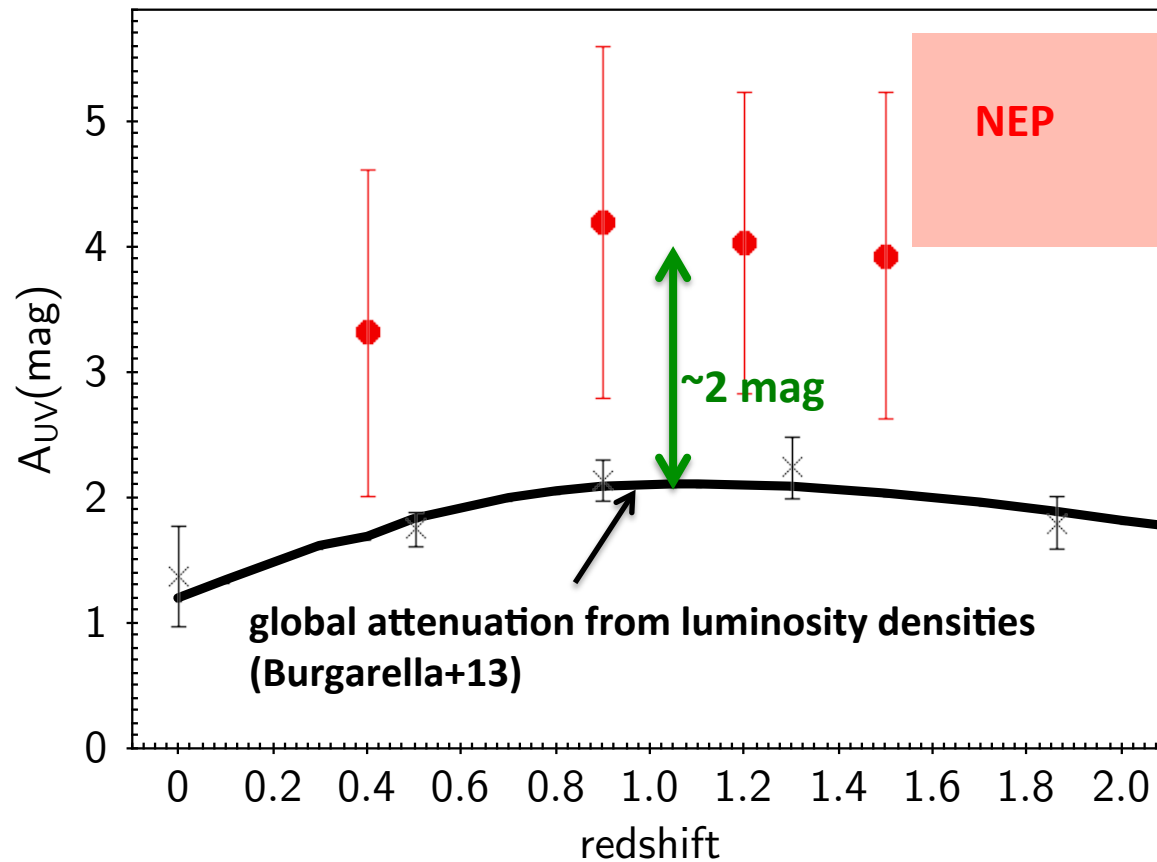


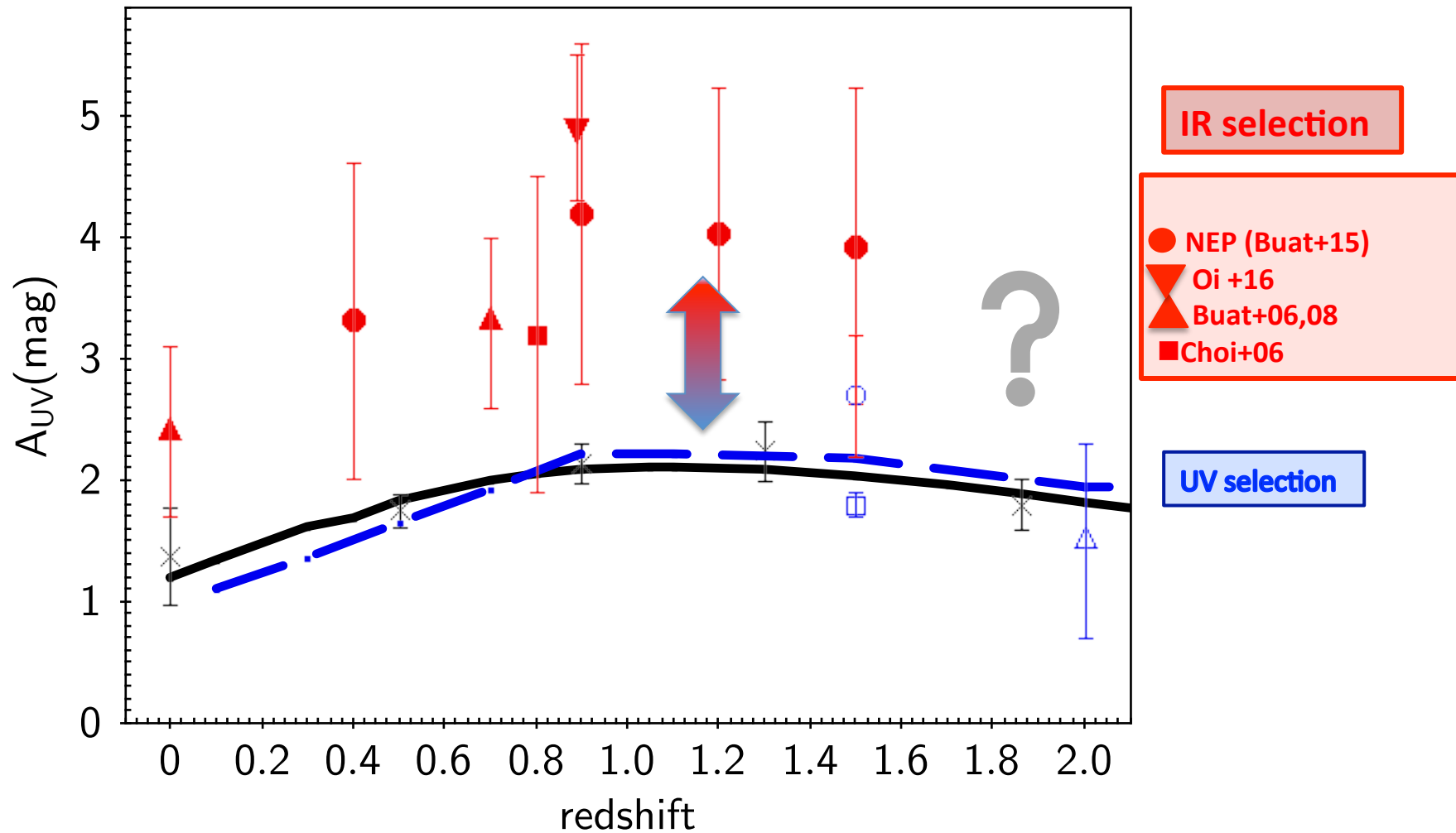
Photo-z from Oi+14  
 AKARI sources from Murata+13  
 PACS data for 599 sources

# Going back to the evolution of dust attenuation ( $A_{UV}$ ) with $z$



Attenuation in IR  
selected galaxies  
 $\sim 2 \text{ mag}$  higher than the  
average of the universe

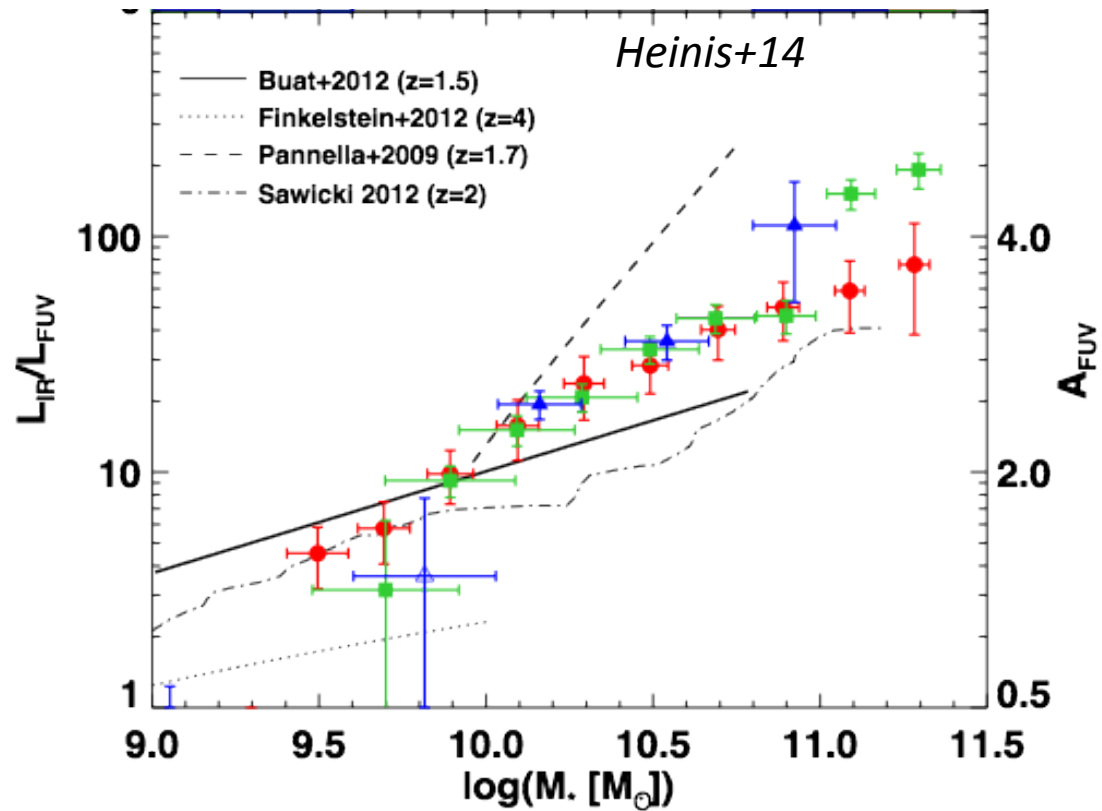
# Evolution of dust attenuation with z



## IR selected samples :

Slight increase of the attenuation with redshift for galaxies producing the bulk of the IR energy ( $L_{IR}^*$  galaxies)

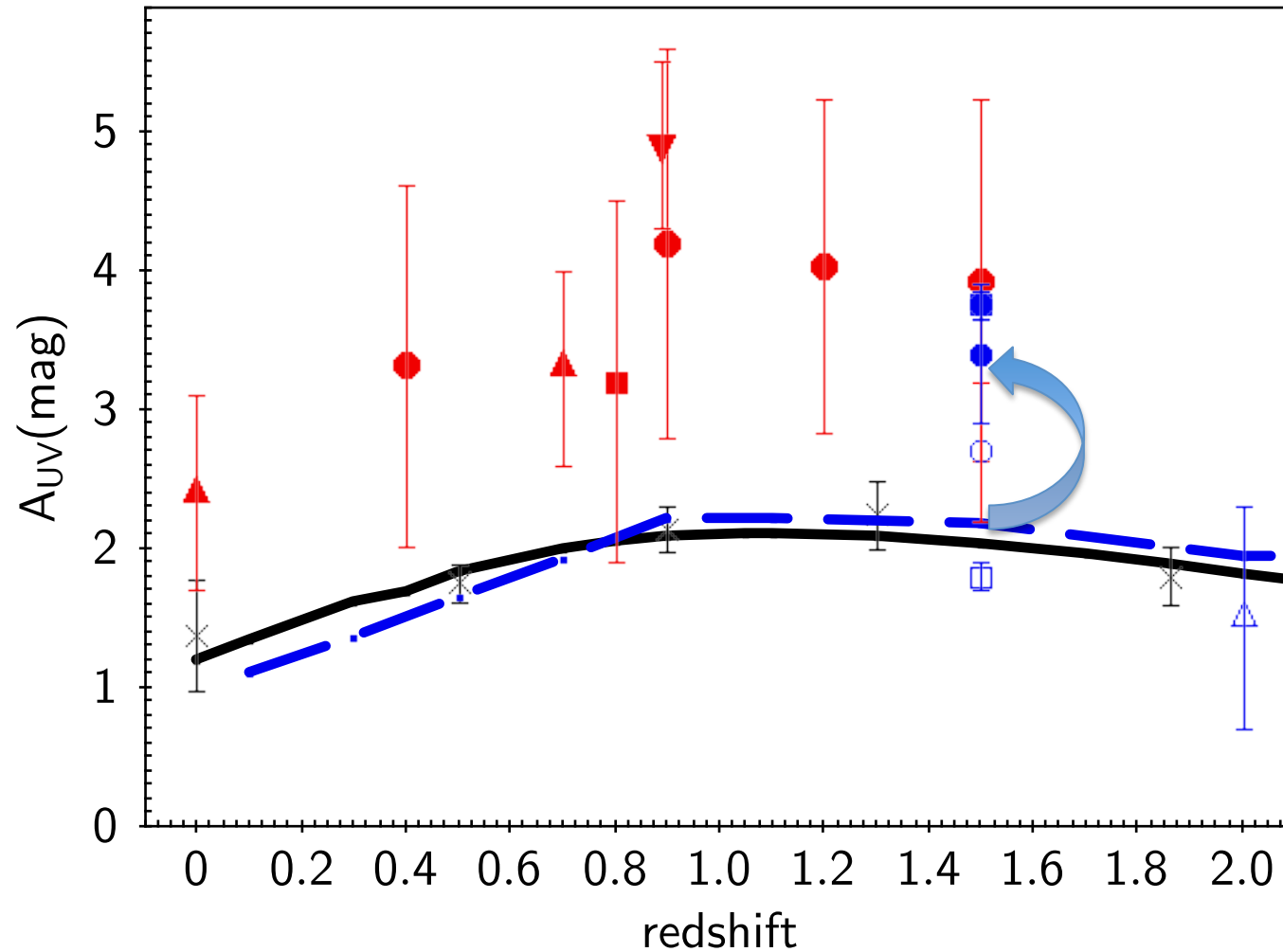
**UV selected samples:** much lower attenuation, similar to the global one measured with  $\rho_{IR} / \rho_{UV}$



## Dust attenuation increases with $M_*$ , a universal correlation?

*Garn & Best 2010 Ibar+2013, Heinis+2014, Price+2014, Panella+2015*

# Evolution of dust attenuation with z

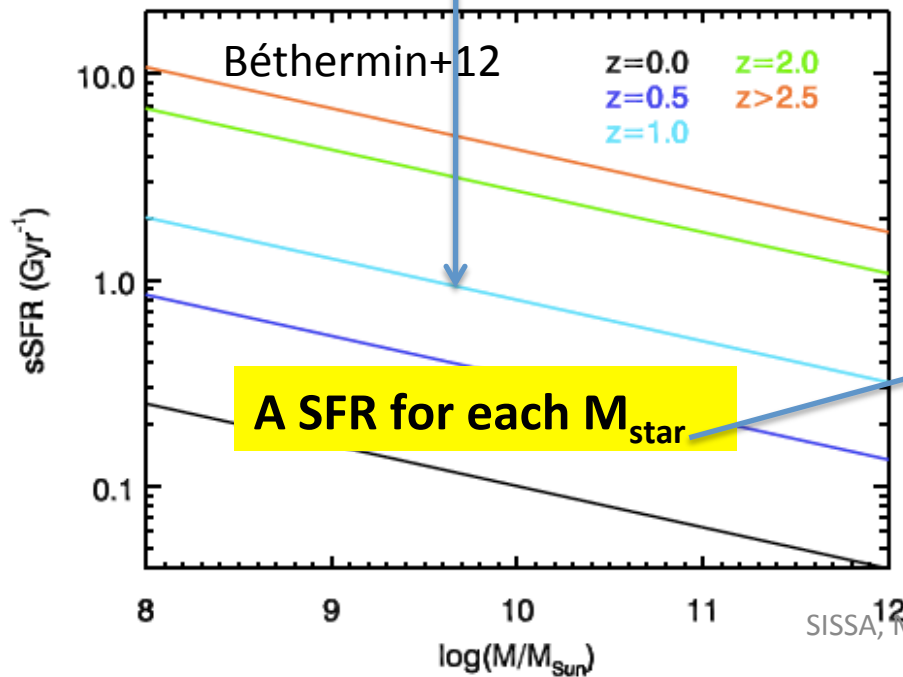
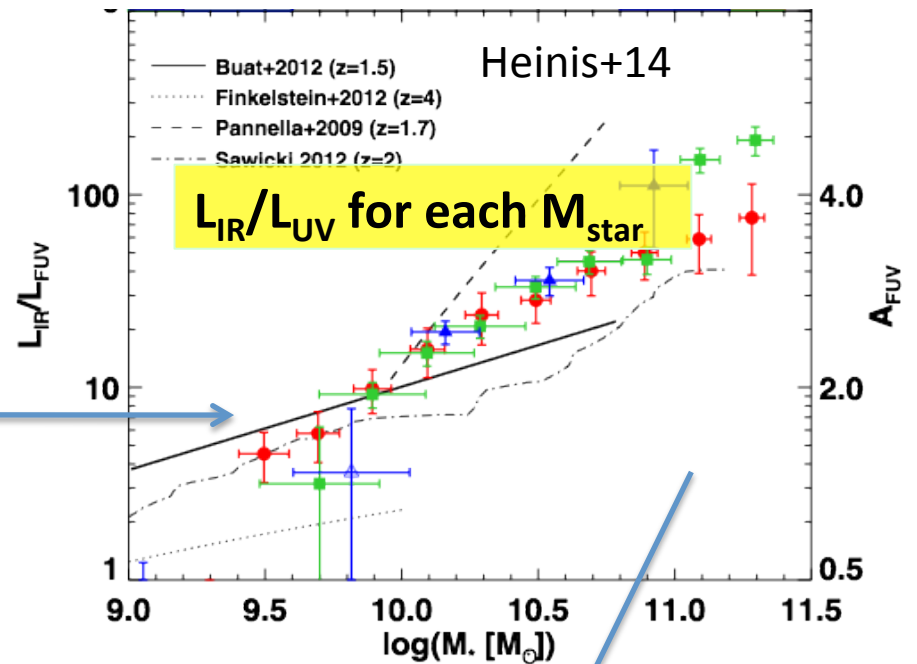
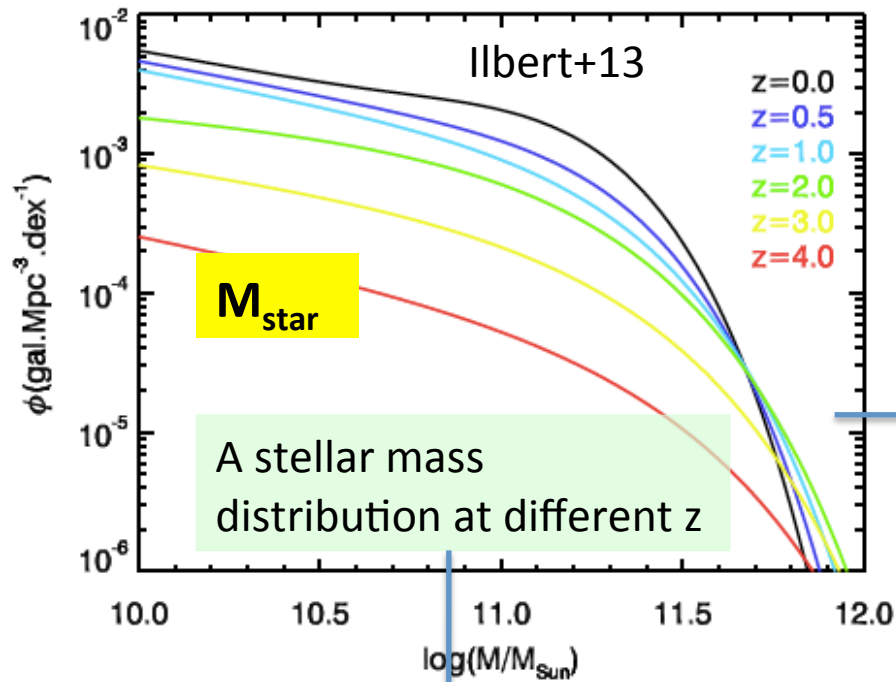


## UV selections

- If we select galaxies with the same stellar mass as in the IR selection
- Similar attenuation



# Towards a consistent model?



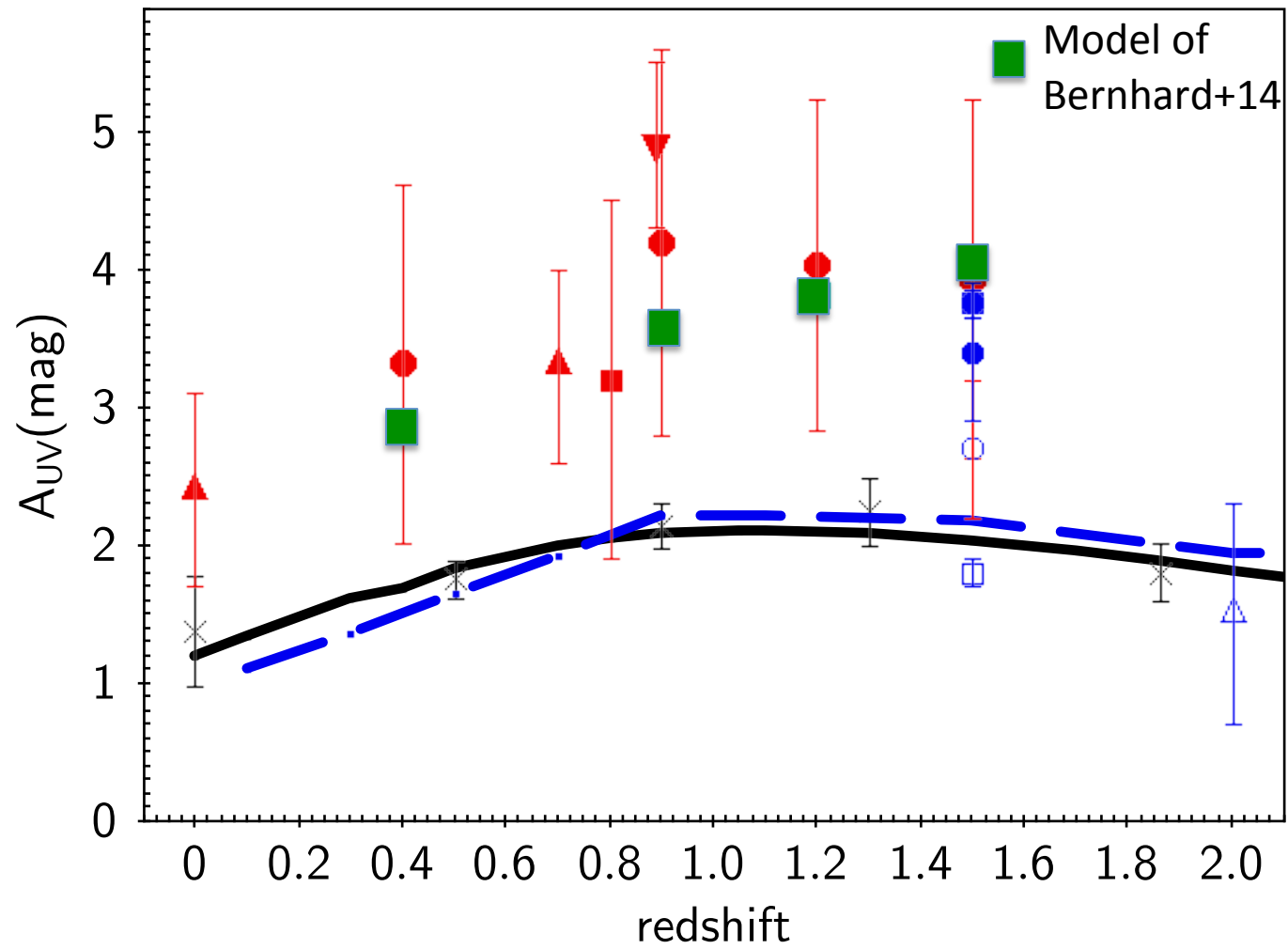
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Bernhard+14

For each  $M_{\text{star}}$  at any z

- SFR = SFR(IR) + SFR(UV)  
=  $k_{\text{IR}} L_{\text{IR}} + k_{\text{UV}} L_{\text{UV}}$
- $L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\text{UV}}$

→  $L_{\text{IR}}$  &  $L_{\text{UV}}$



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→ A consistent model based on stellar mass to reproduce the attenuation found in UV and IR selected samples

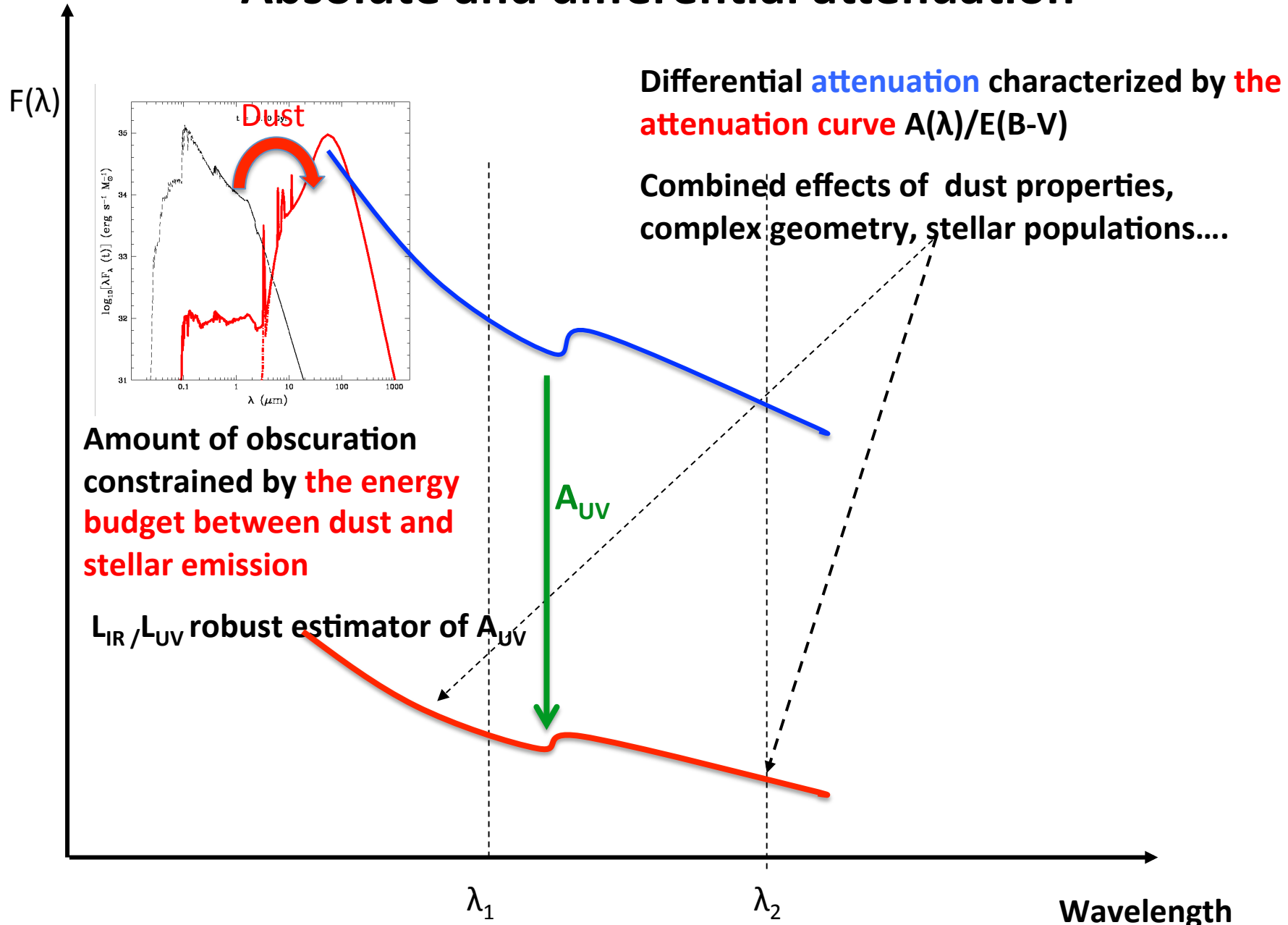
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  - UV emitting galaxies
  - IR bright massive galaxies

*Witt & Gordon 00* No justification was found for the use of a universal attenuation function for the analysis of a large sample of galaxies.



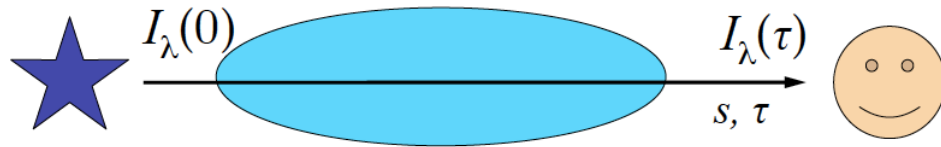
# Absolute and differential attenuation



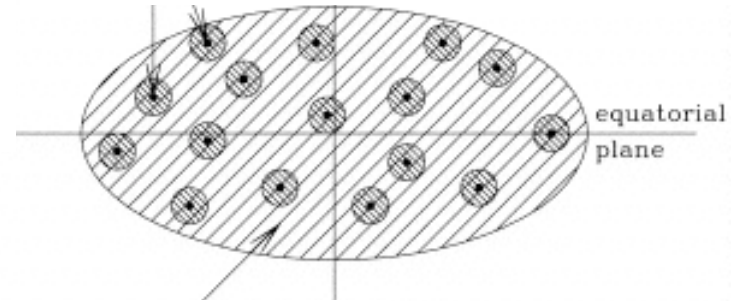


# Attenuation $\neq$ extinction

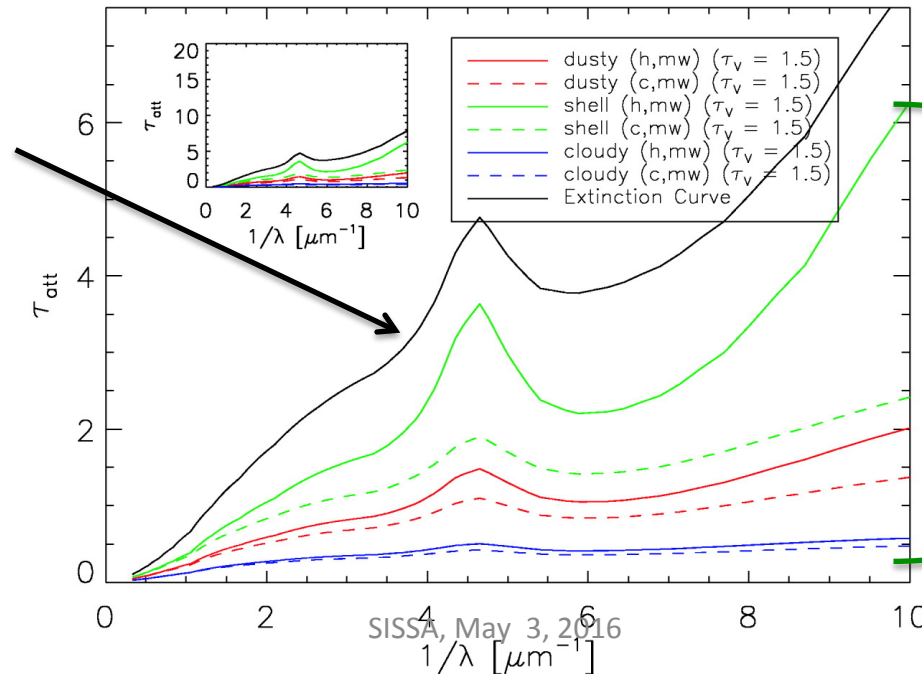
## Extinction Only (UV, Opt, NIR)



## Attenuation in a galaxy, stars and dust are mixed



MW Extinction curve along one line of sight, depends on dust properties only



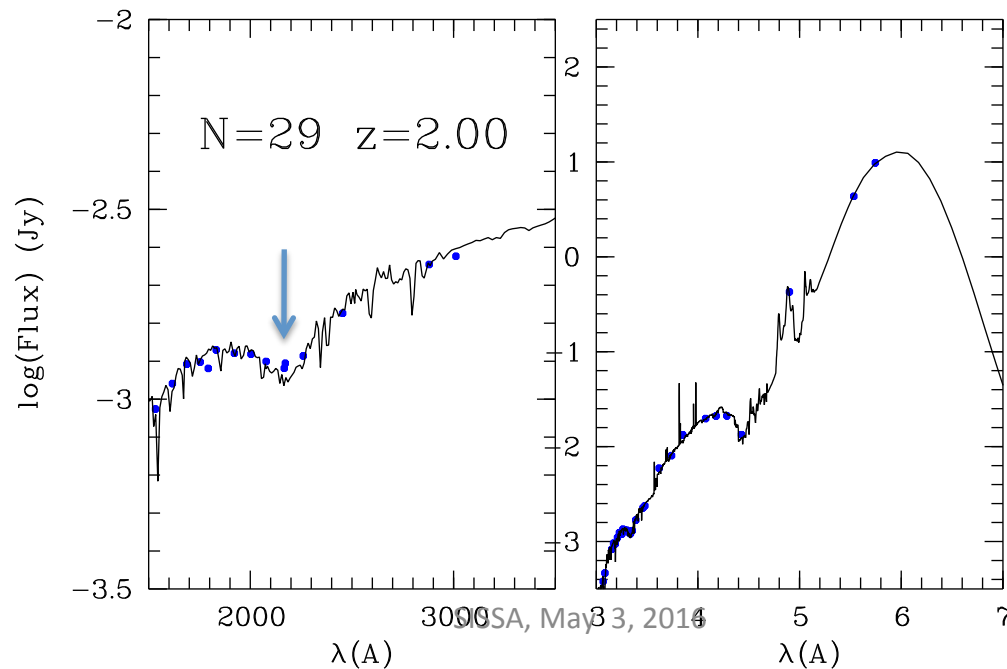
Attenuation law for extended objects depends on dust properties and dust-stars geometry

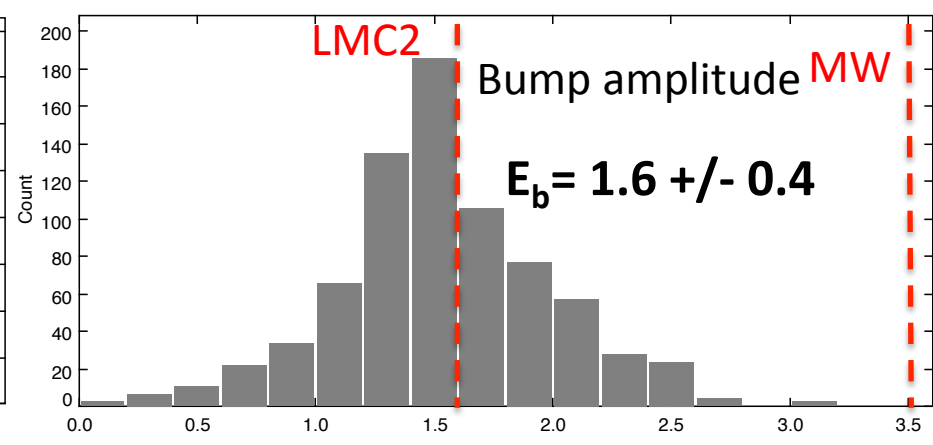
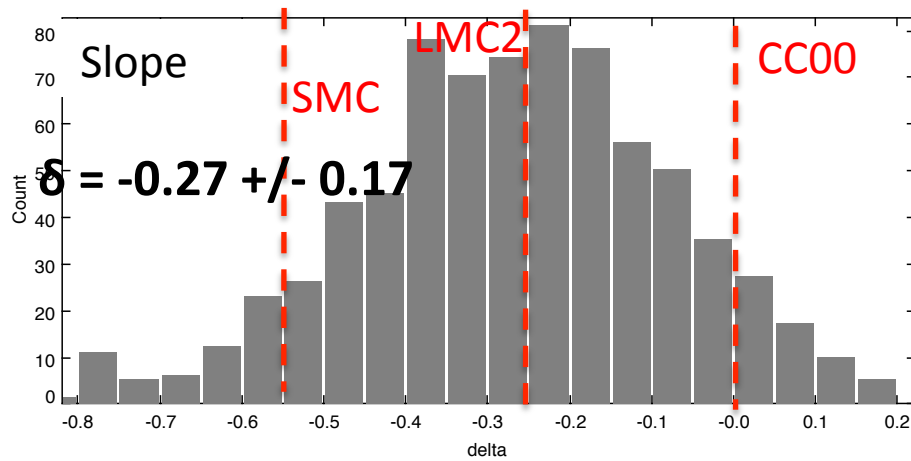
Witt & Gordon 2000

# Dust attenuation curve in « UV emitting » galaxies $1 < z < 2$ Buat+11,12

Subaru/MUSYC broad and intermediate band filters (Cardamone+10)  
+IRAC & MIPS data (Dickinson+03)  
+GOODS-Herschel/PACS data

751 galaxies,      236 galaxies detected with MIPS,      80 sources detected with PACS,  
upper limits for the other ones





**Close to the values of the LMC2 extinction curve**

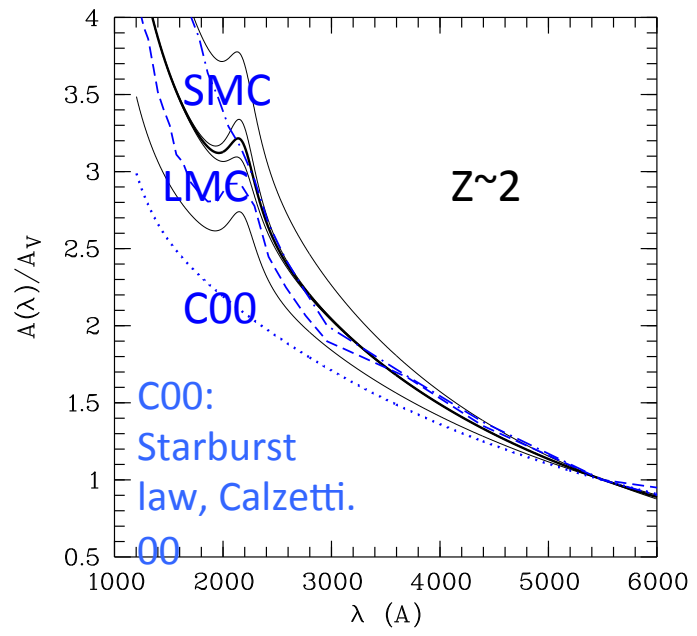
Bumps confirmed in ~20% of the global sample and ~40-50 % of galaxies observed in mid and far IR

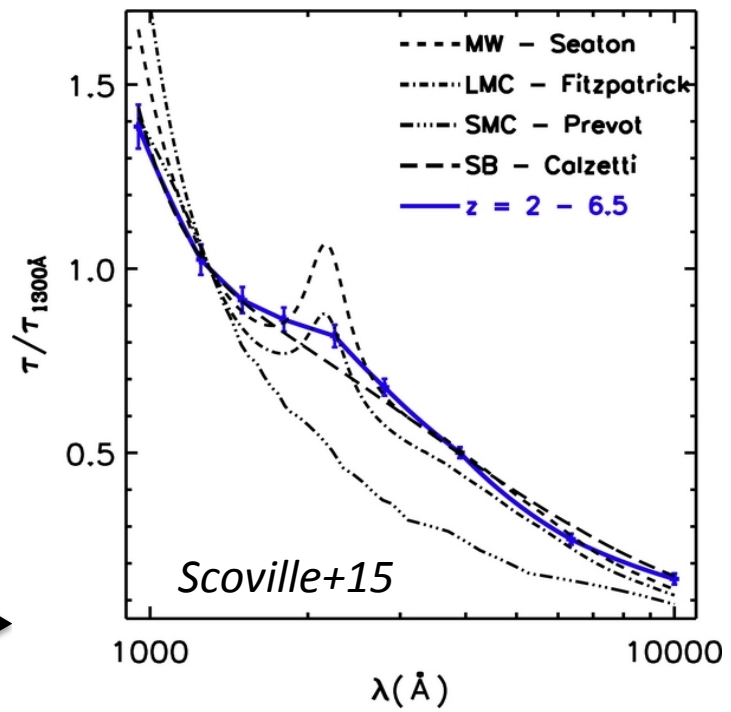
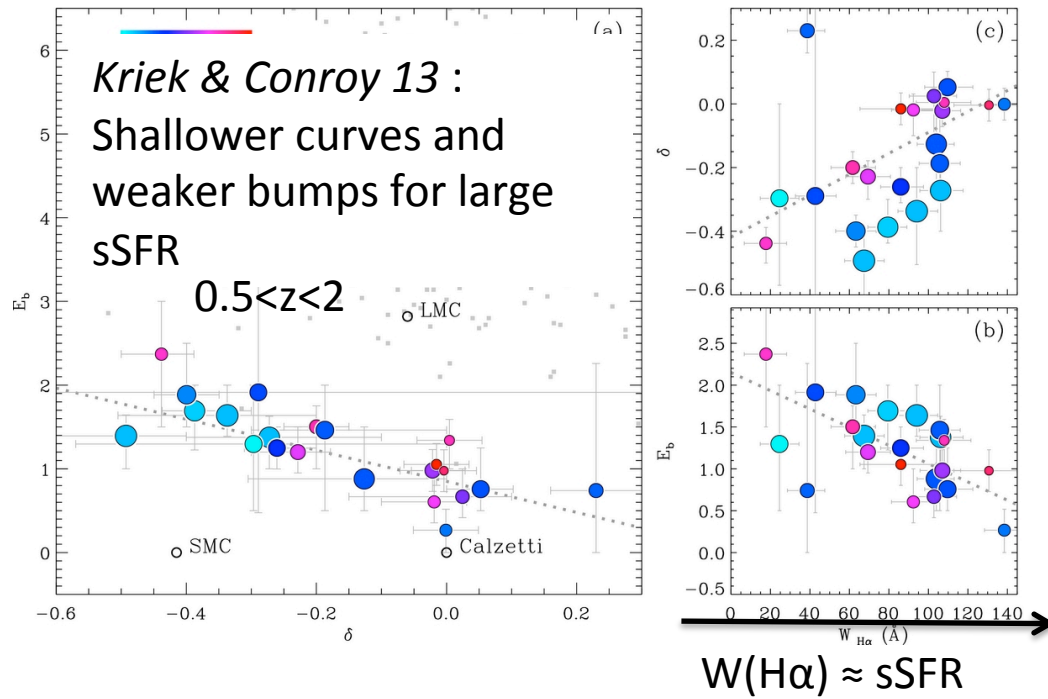
$$k(\lambda) = \left( \frac{A(\lambda)}{E(B-V)} + \frac{E_b \lambda^2 \gamma^2}{(\lambda^2 - \lambda_0^2) + \lambda^2 \gamma^2} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_V} \right)^\delta$$

Calzetti law

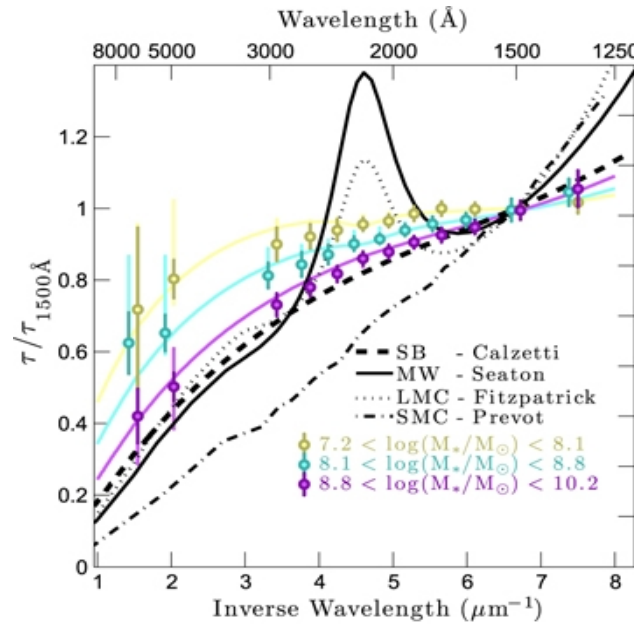
$E_b = 1.6 \pm 0.4$      $\delta = -0.27 \pm 0.17$

*Buat+11,12*

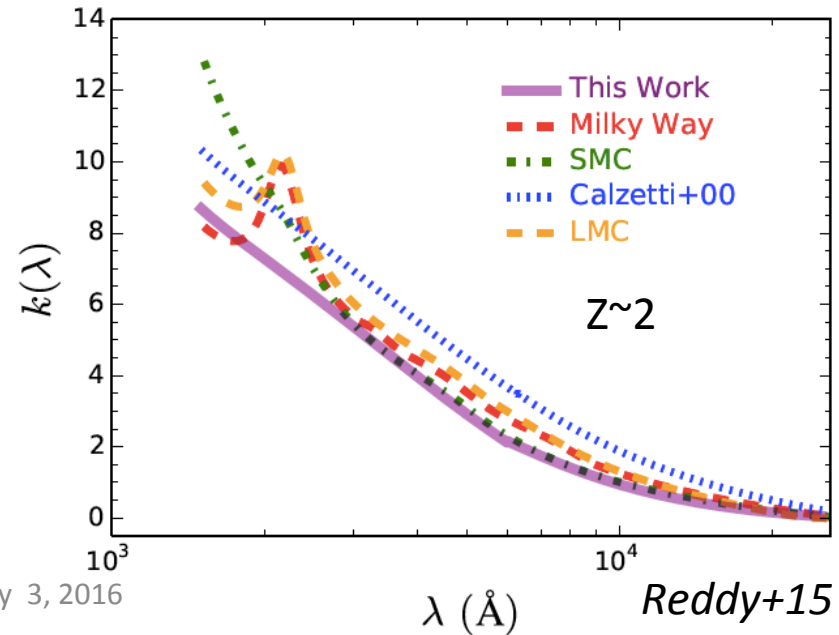




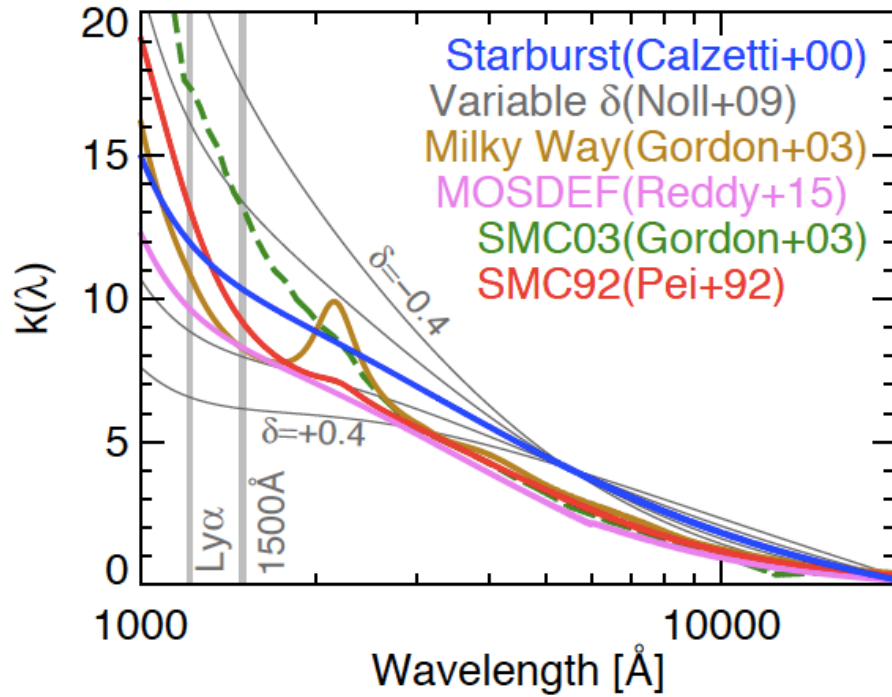
**Zeimann+15:**  
Emission line galaxies:  
Shallower curves than Calzetti's one,  
steepening when  $M^*$  increases



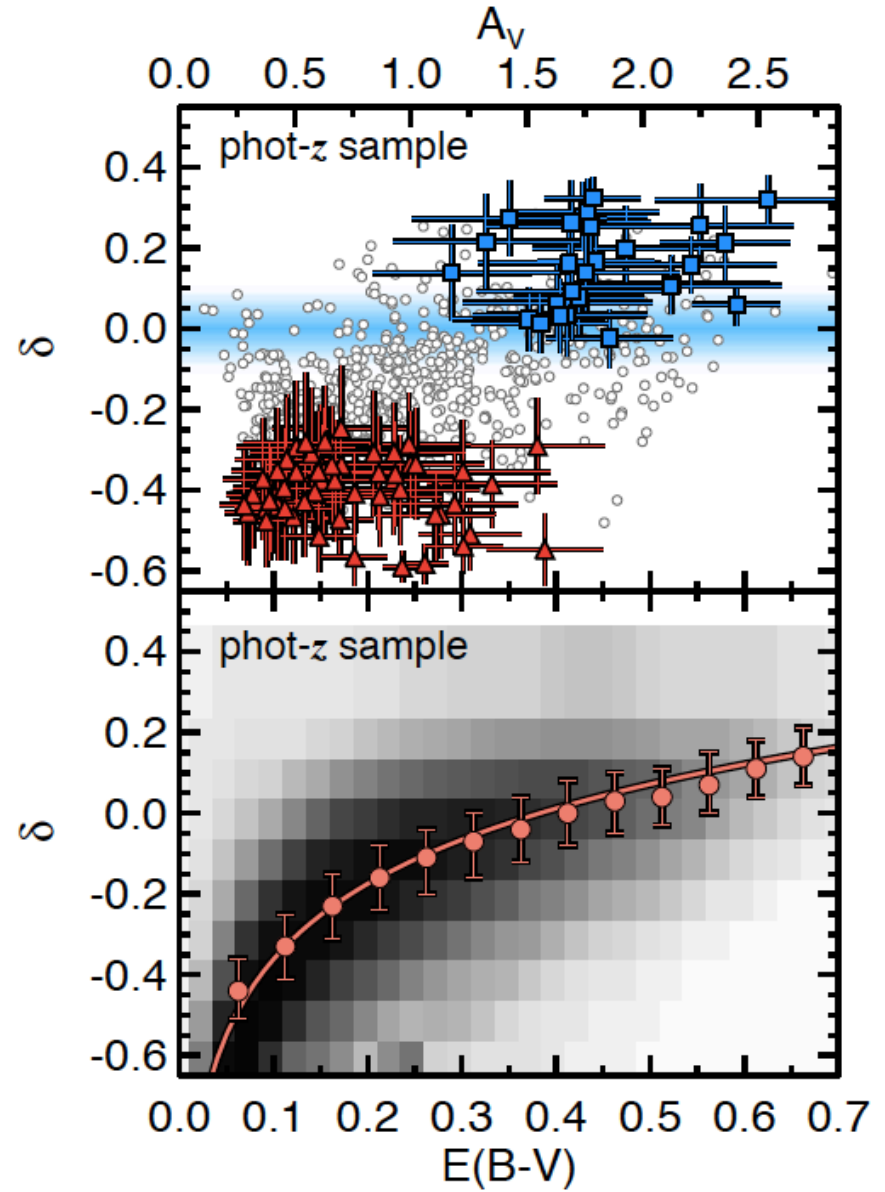
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Salmon+15, CANDELS data,  $1.5 < z < 3$  galaxies  
detected with **MIPS/24  $\mu\text{m}$**



$$\delta = (0.62 \pm 0.05) \log(E_{B-V}) + 0.26 \pm 0.02$$



## (Very) tentative conclusion?

An attenuation curve Calzetti like or steeper (LMC like)  
with bumps @ 215 nms present in >20% of galaxies  
flattening when the sSFR and E(B-V) increases?

BUT

Likely to be also dependent on the selection of the targets  
(UV (first selection) + IR data if any )



Going from a **UV-optical/IR selection** to **a far-IR selection**  
--> **A more complicated situation!**





# Herschel Extragalactic Legacy Project FP7/SPaCE

P.I. Seb Oliver



**A census of galaxy populations and their star formation history from the local to the distant universe**



« Ultimate » source extraction in all the cosmological Herschel fields (including HerMES and H-ATLAS surveys), UV to radio complementary data  
→ **photo-z, SFR,  $M_*$  for all the sources**





*Lo Faro et al. In prep*

## TO INVESTIGATE THE DUST ATTENUATION PROPERTIES OF IR-SELECTED GALAXIES AT LOW AND HIGH- $z$

### UV-to-FIR SED fitting

Physically-motivated SED modelling

Radiation transfer SED modelling

CIGALE, MAGPHYS (like)  
[cigale.lam.fr](http://cigale.lam.fr)

GRASIL  
[adlbitum.oats.inaf.it/silva/grasil/grasil.html](http://adlbitum.oats.inaf.it/silva/grasil/grasil.html)

**ON**

WELL KNOWN SAMPLE FOR WHICH A WEALTH OF DATA IS AVAILABLE & RT-based solutions have been already computed in detail

$Z \sim 1$  LIRGs and  $Z \sim 2$  ULIRGs) (from Lo Faro+13,15).

- nearby (U)LIRGs from GOALS (Armus et al. 2009) sample

## The attenuation laws considered in the work

Charlot & Fall 2000  
and Magphys recipes

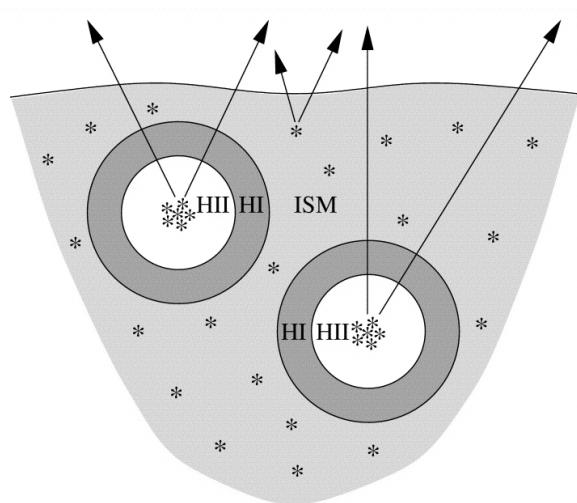
$$\tau_{\lambda}(t') = \begin{cases} \tau_{\lambda}^{BC} + \tau_{\lambda}^{ISM} & \text{for } t' \leq t_0 = 10^7 \text{ years} \\ \tau_{\lambda}^{ISM} & \text{for } t' > t_0. \end{cases}$$

$$\tau_{\lambda}^{BC} = (1 - \mu) \tau_V (\lambda / 5500 \text{ \AA})^{\delta_{BC}}$$

$$\tau_{\lambda}^{ISM} = \mu \tau_V (\lambda / 5500 \text{ \AA})^{\delta_{ISM}}$$

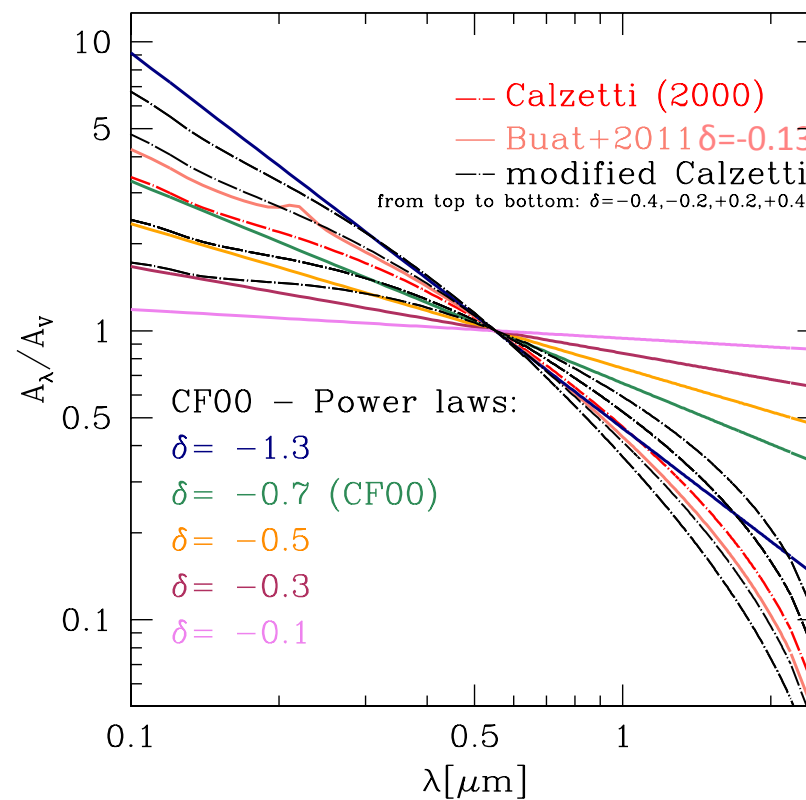
$$A_{\lambda}^{BC} = A_V^{BC} (\lambda / 5500 \text{ \AA})^{\delta_{BC}}$$

$$A_{\lambda}^{ISM} = A_V^{BC} f_{att} (\lambda / 5500 \text{ \AA})^{\delta_{ISM}}$$

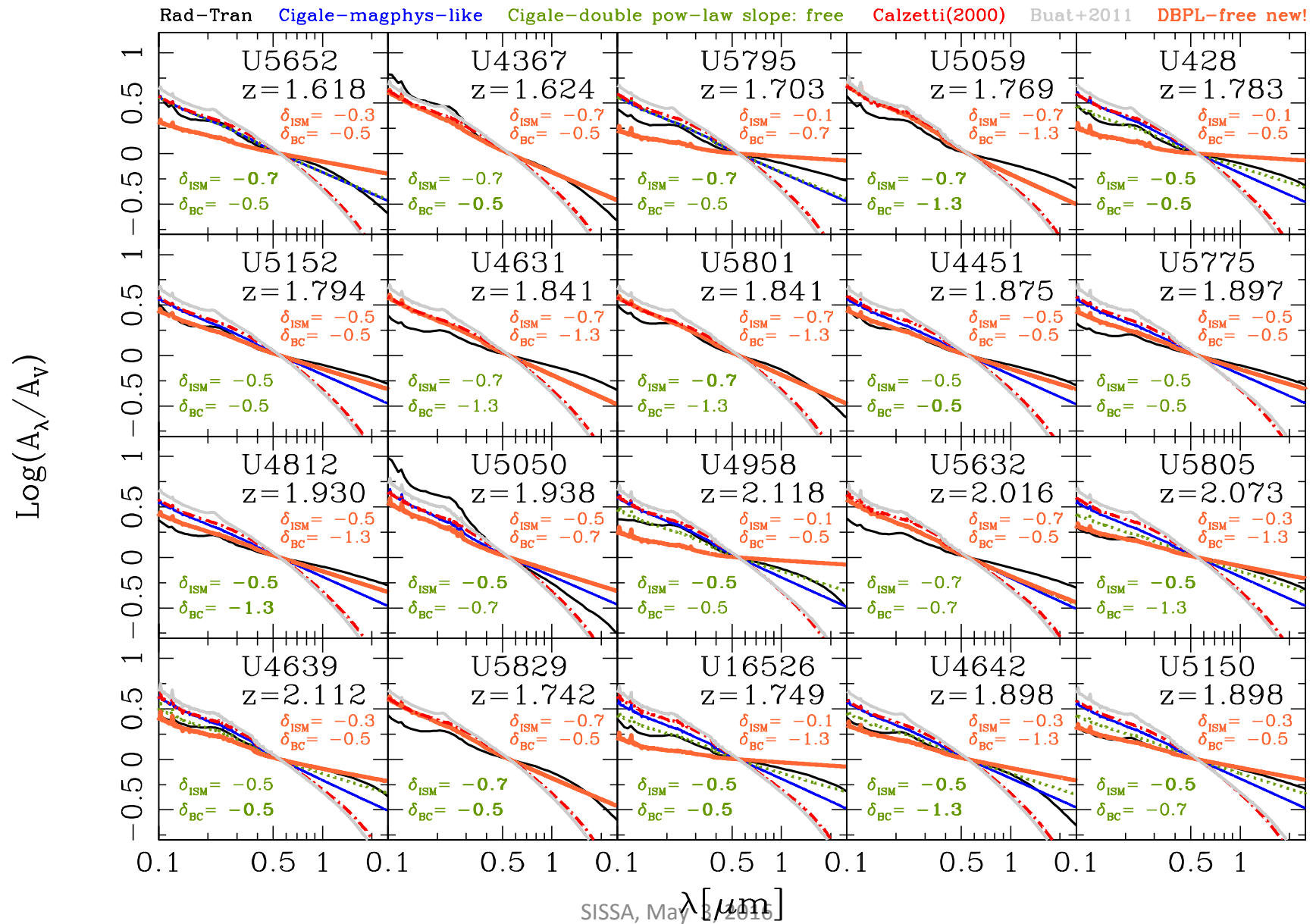


Calzetti and Calzetti modified laws

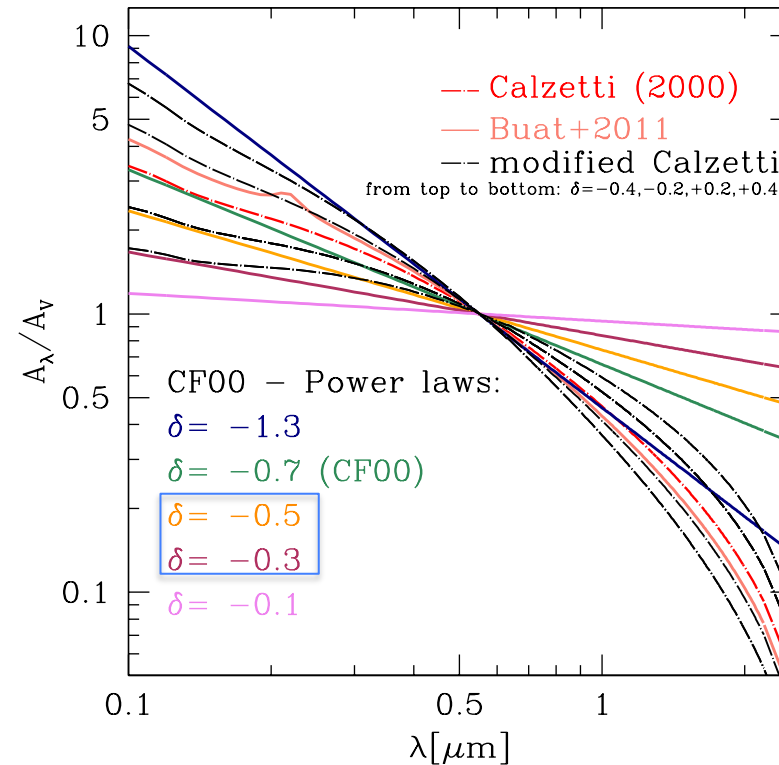
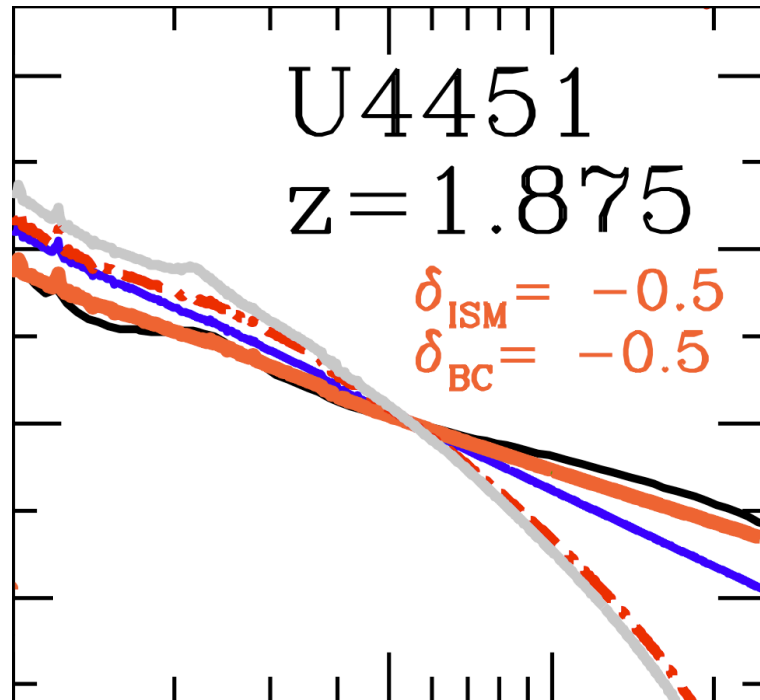
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# Comparison of different attenuations curves: SED modelling with Cigale, Magphys and Grasil *Lo Faro+16: (in prep)*



IR luminous galaxies (LIRGs and ULIRGs):  
 a flatter attenuation curve, not only in UV,  
 not reproduced by starburst like attenuation curves.



For the whole sample of ULIRGs  $\rightarrow \langle \delta_{\text{ISM}} \rangle \cong -0.4$

Chevallard et al. 2013:

Attenuation in optical-NIR

$$0.55 < \lambda < 1.6 \mu\text{m}$$

Compilation of Radiative Transfer modeling results

→ All predict a grayer attenuation for an increasing attenuation

$$\delta_{\text{ISM}} \rightarrow -n^{\text{ISM}}$$

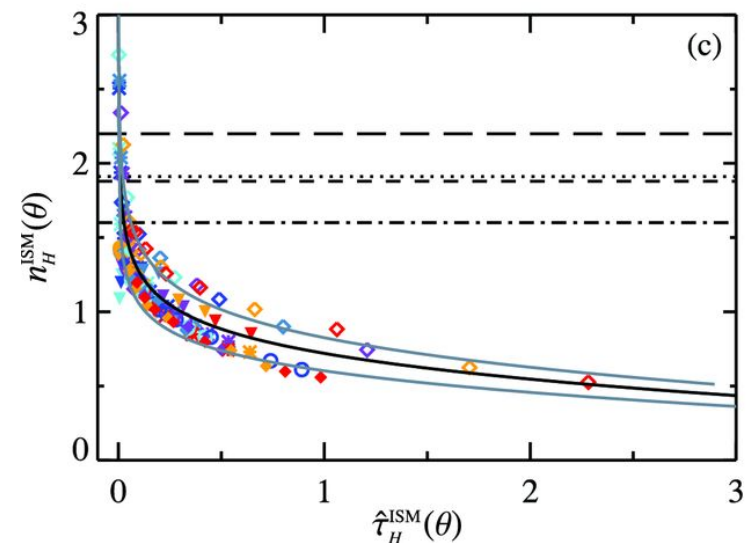
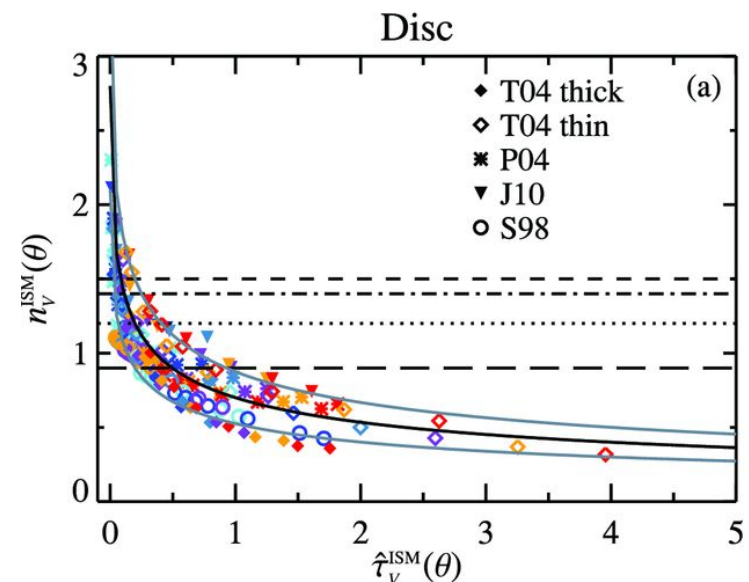
$$n_{\lambda}^{\text{ISM}}(\tau_V) = n_V^{\text{ISM}}(\tau_V) + b(\tau_V) \quad (\lambda/\mu\text{m} - 0.55),$$

with

$$n_V^{\text{ISM}}(\tau_V) = \frac{2.8}{1 + 3\sqrt{\tau_V}} \quad (\pm 25 \text{ per cent})$$

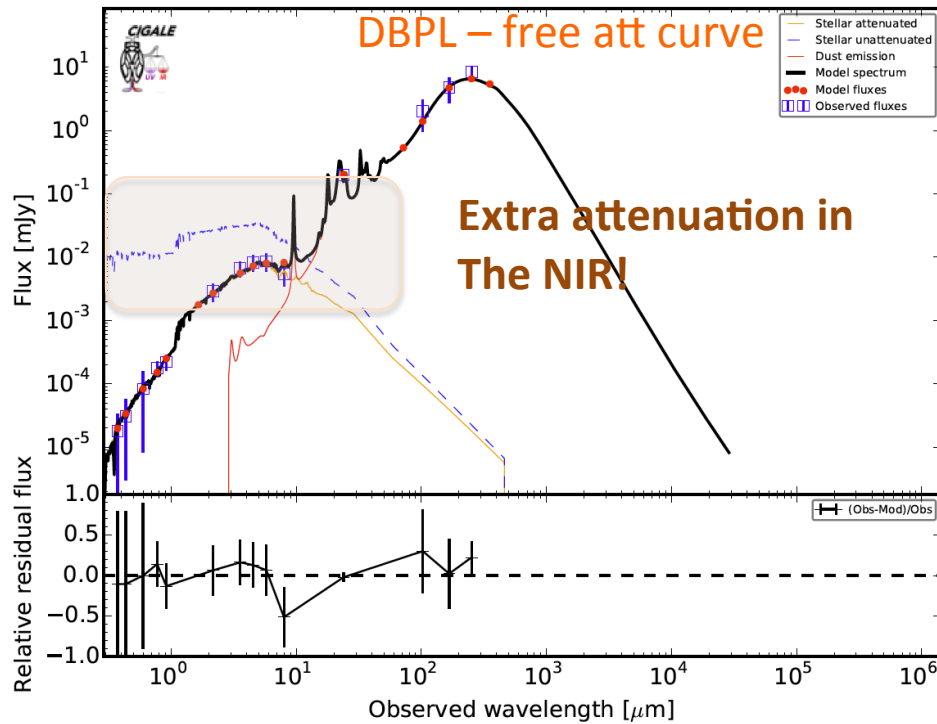
and

$$b(\tau_V) = 0.3 - 0.05 \tau_V \quad (\pm 10 \text{ per cent}),$$

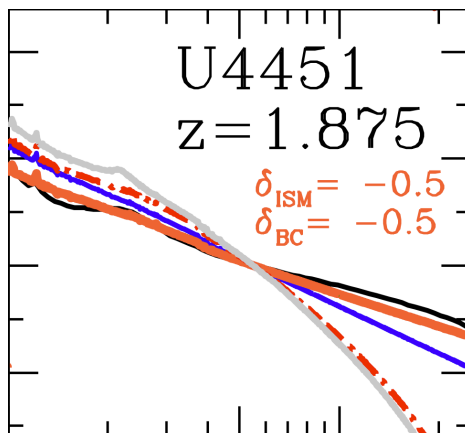
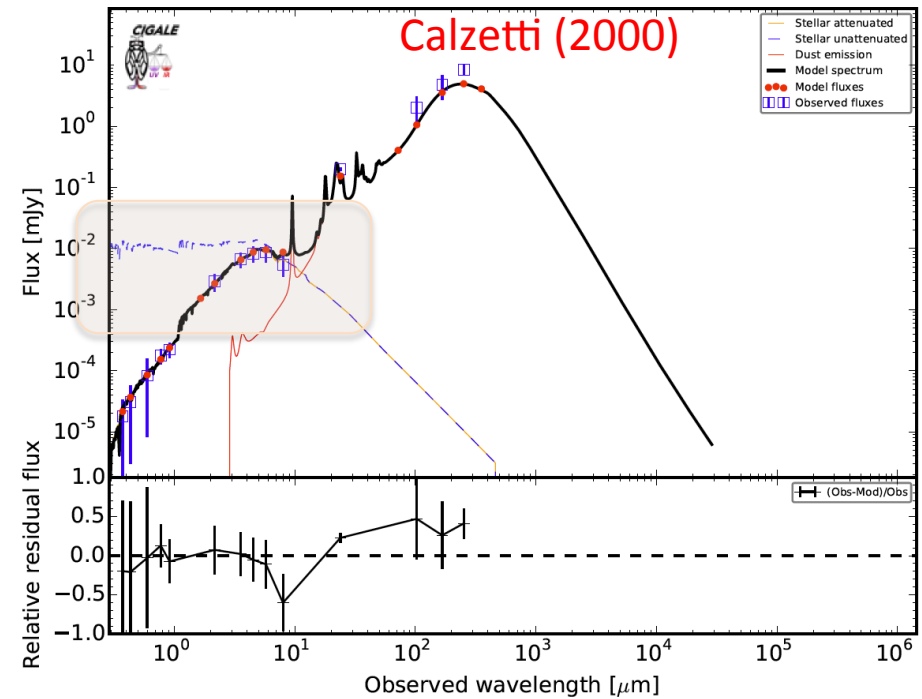


# How do these “flatter” attenuation curves affect the NIR-to-FIR SED ?

Best model for U4451 at  $z = 1.875$ . Reduced  $\chi^2 = 1.65$



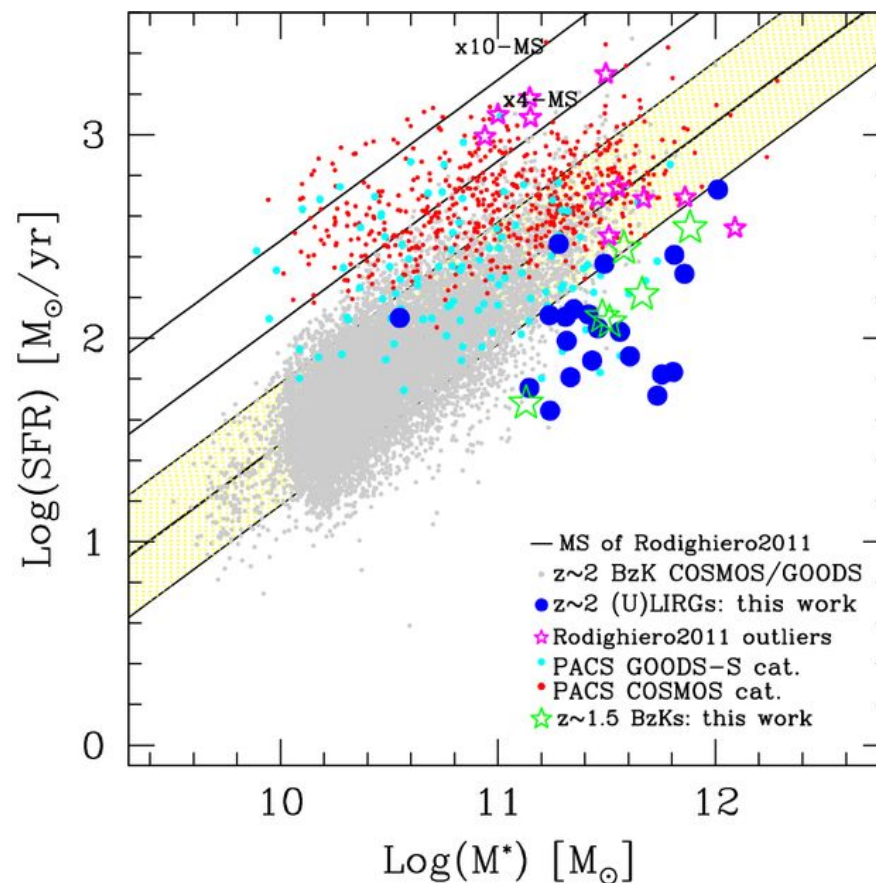
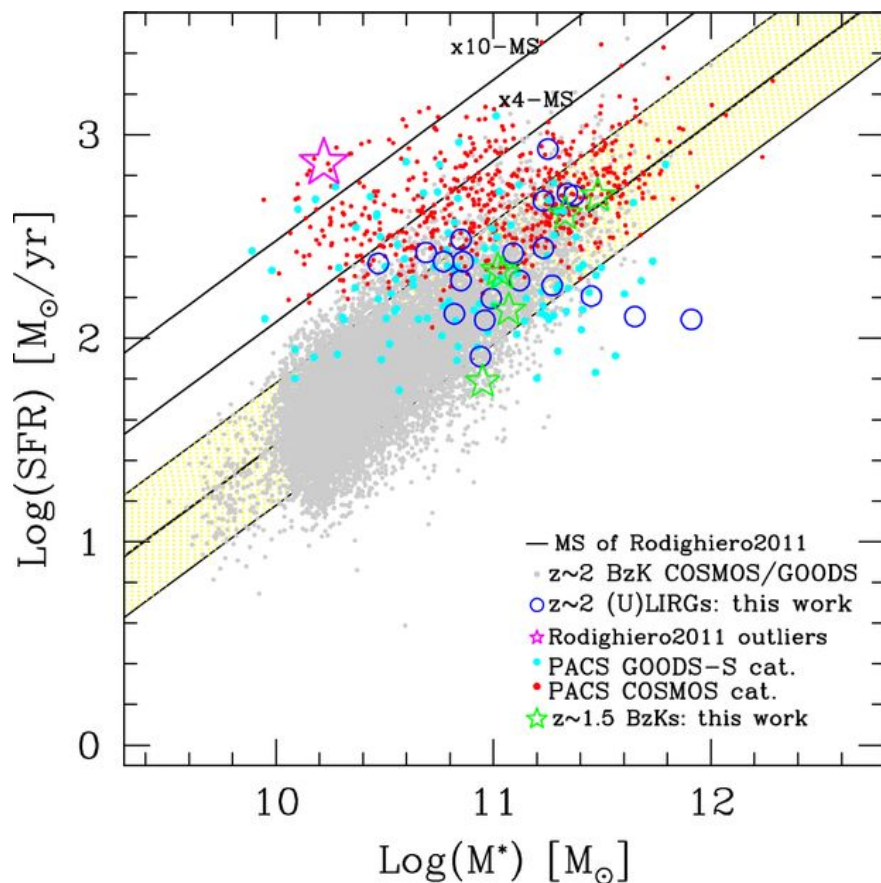
Best model for U4451 at  $z = 1.875$ . Reduced  $\chi^2 = 3.28$



**A larger amount of attenuation at longer wavelengths (NIR) than allowed by Calzetti(2000) att. law.**  
*(Mitchell (2013), Da Cunha(2010))*  
**→ Affects the determination of the stellar mass**



As a consequence → impact on the position of the  
 « Main Sequence »



Lo Faro+2015



# Few words to conclude

- **The absolute amount of attenuation:**  
well determined when **far-IR data** are available  
A good and universal (?) correlation **with the stellar mass**: reconcile UV and IR selections
- **The differential attenuation:** depends on the attenuation curve which **is not universal**, may flatten for IR bright galaxies and galaxies with a large sSFR, dust attenuation....  
more work and statistics is needed, variation with the ISM properties, redshift, sSFR

### Dust evolution in high- $z$ quasars

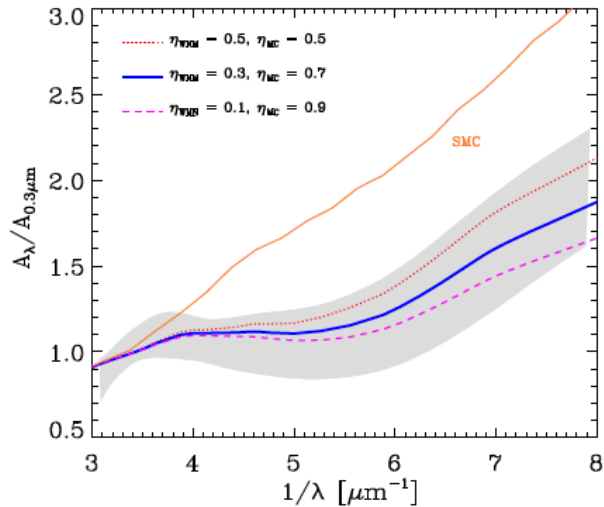


Figure 4. UV extinction curves ( $A_V/A_{0.3\mu\text{m}}$ ) at  $t = 1$  Gyr derived with the optical constants of amorphous carbon for carbonaceous grains. The dotted, thick solid and dashed lines show the cases with  $(\eta_{\text{WNM}}, \eta_{\text{MC}}) = (0.5, 0.5), (0.3, 0.7), (0.1, 0.9)$ , respectively. The hatched region is the range of the extinction curve including the uncertainty derived for the quasar J1048+4637 at  $z = 6.2$  (Maiolino et al. 2004). The SMC extinction curve is drawn by the thin solid line.

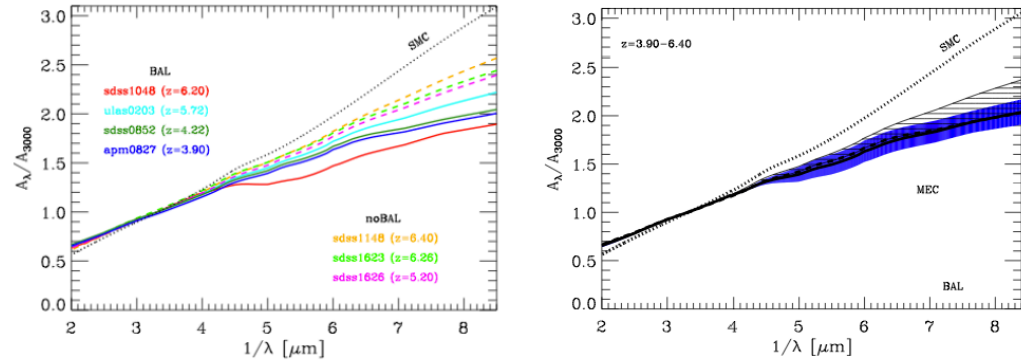
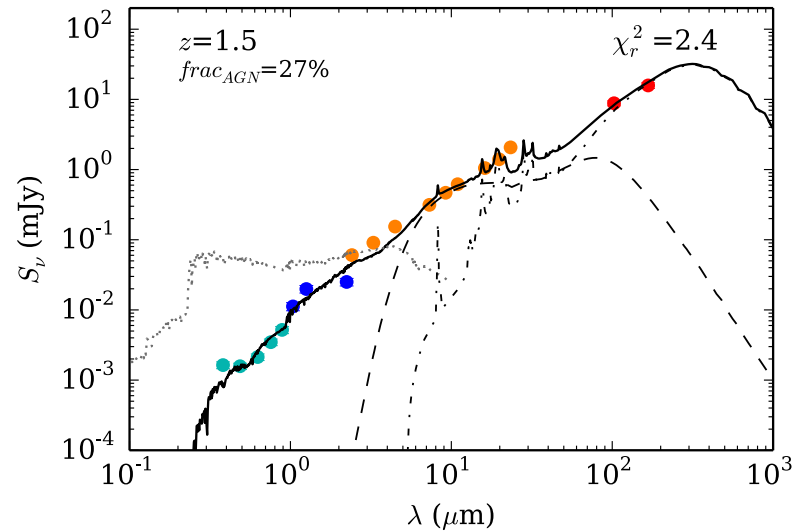
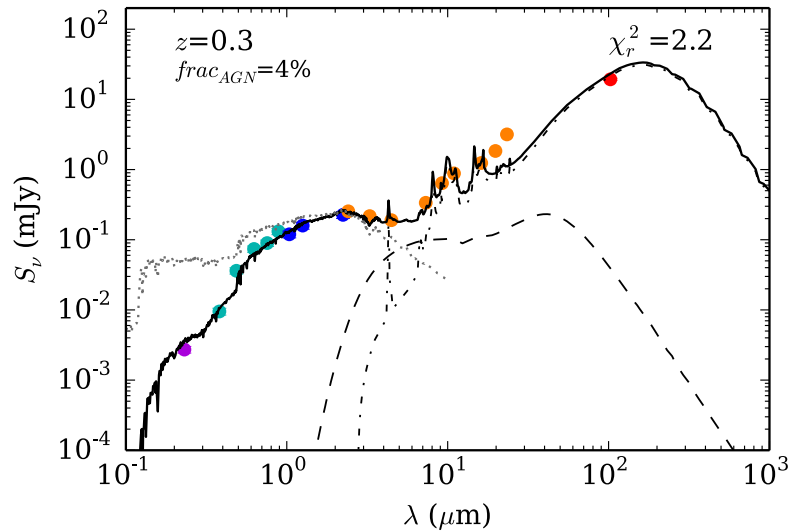
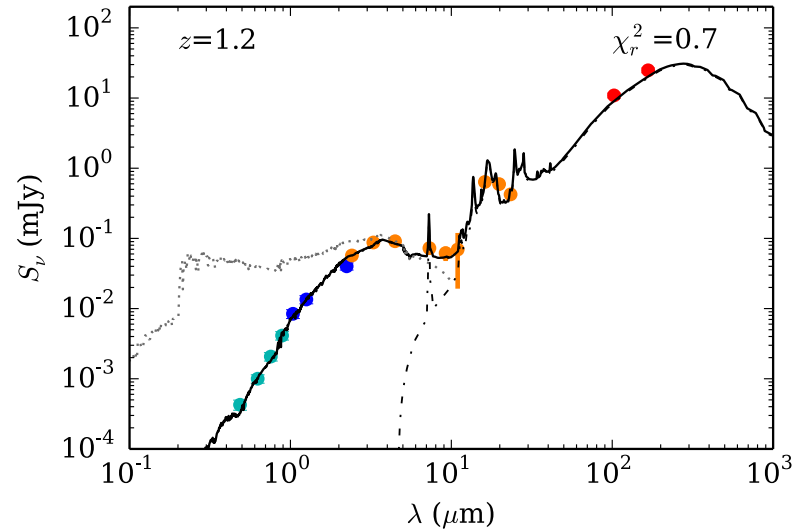
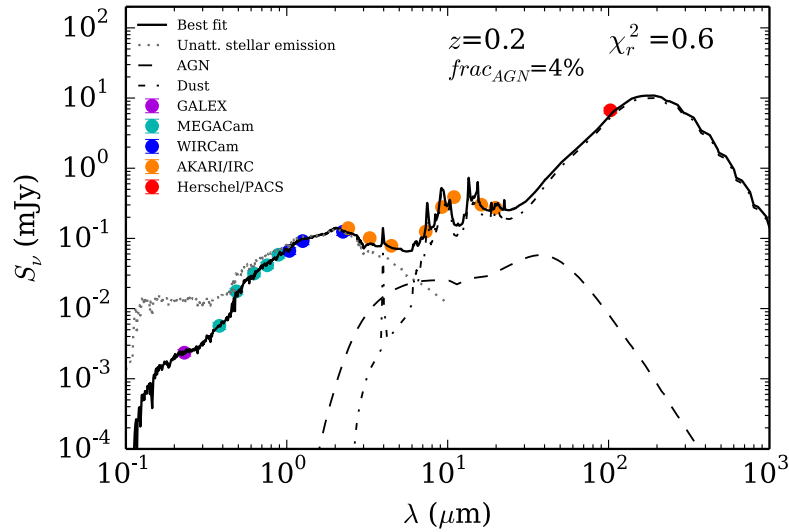


Figure 2: Left panel: Best fit extinction curves of reddened quasars. The solid lines are for BAL quasars, while dashed lines are for non-BAL quasars. For comparison, the SMC extinction curve is also shown and labeled in the figure (dotted black line). Right panel: The solid line shows the mean extinction curve (MEC) computed by averaging the results obtained for BAL reddened quasars, while the shaded region shows the dispersion. The dashed line shows the extinction curve obtained by the simultaneous fit of all the BAL quasars, while the hatched area shows the 68% confidence limit.

Conclusion: an attenuation curve Calzetti like or steeper (SMC like) with bumps present in >20% of galaxies  
 BUT, not so simple

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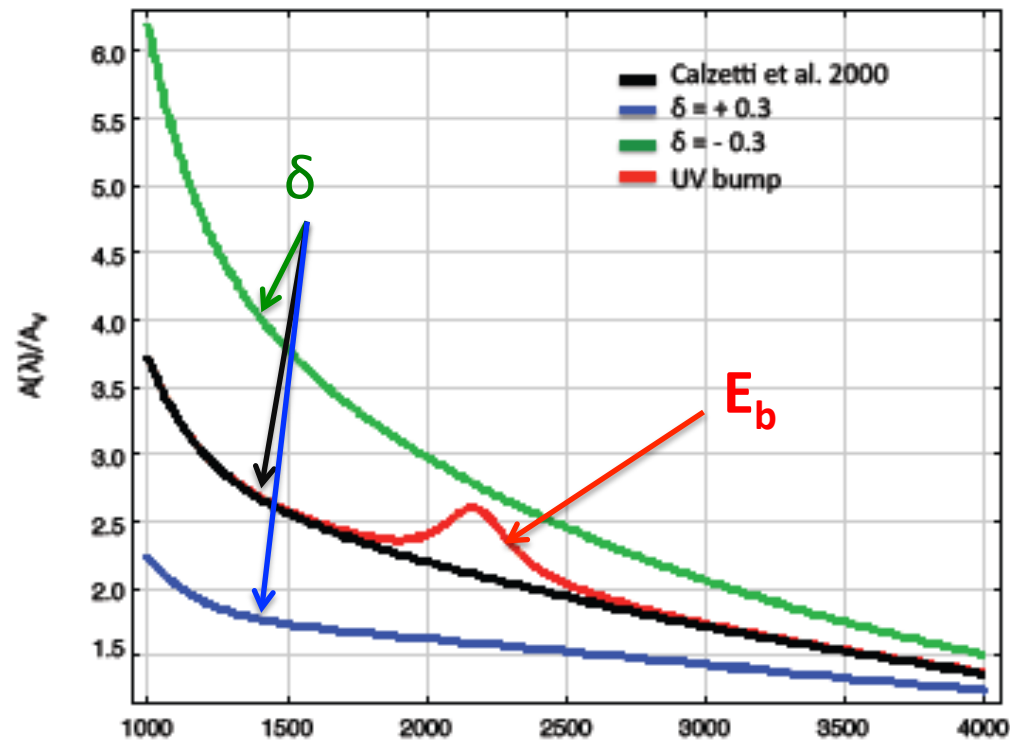
## Parametrization of the attenuation curve

$$k(\lambda) = \left( \frac{A(\lambda)}{E(B-V)} + \frac{E_b \lambda^2 \gamma^2}{(\lambda^2 - \lambda_0^2) + \lambda^2 \gamma^2} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_V} \right)^\delta$$

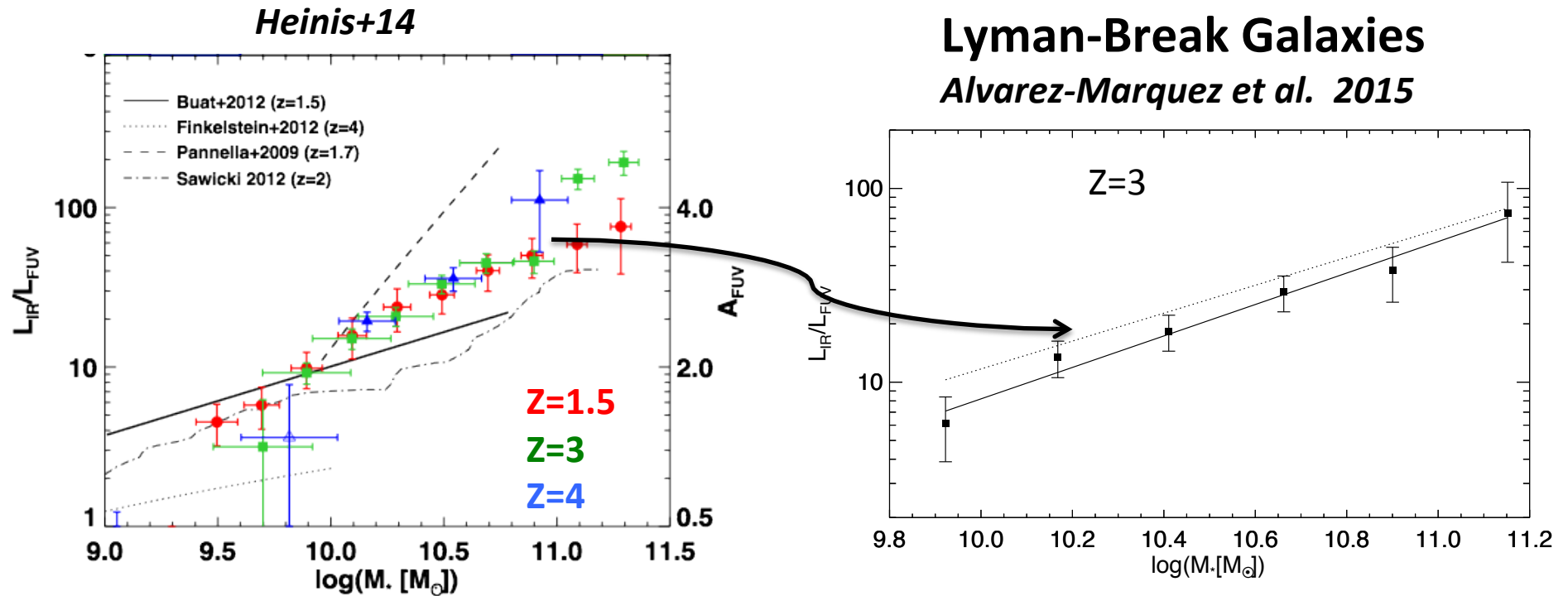
Calzetti et al.  
(2000)

UV bump  
*Fitzpatrick & Massa  
formalism*

power law

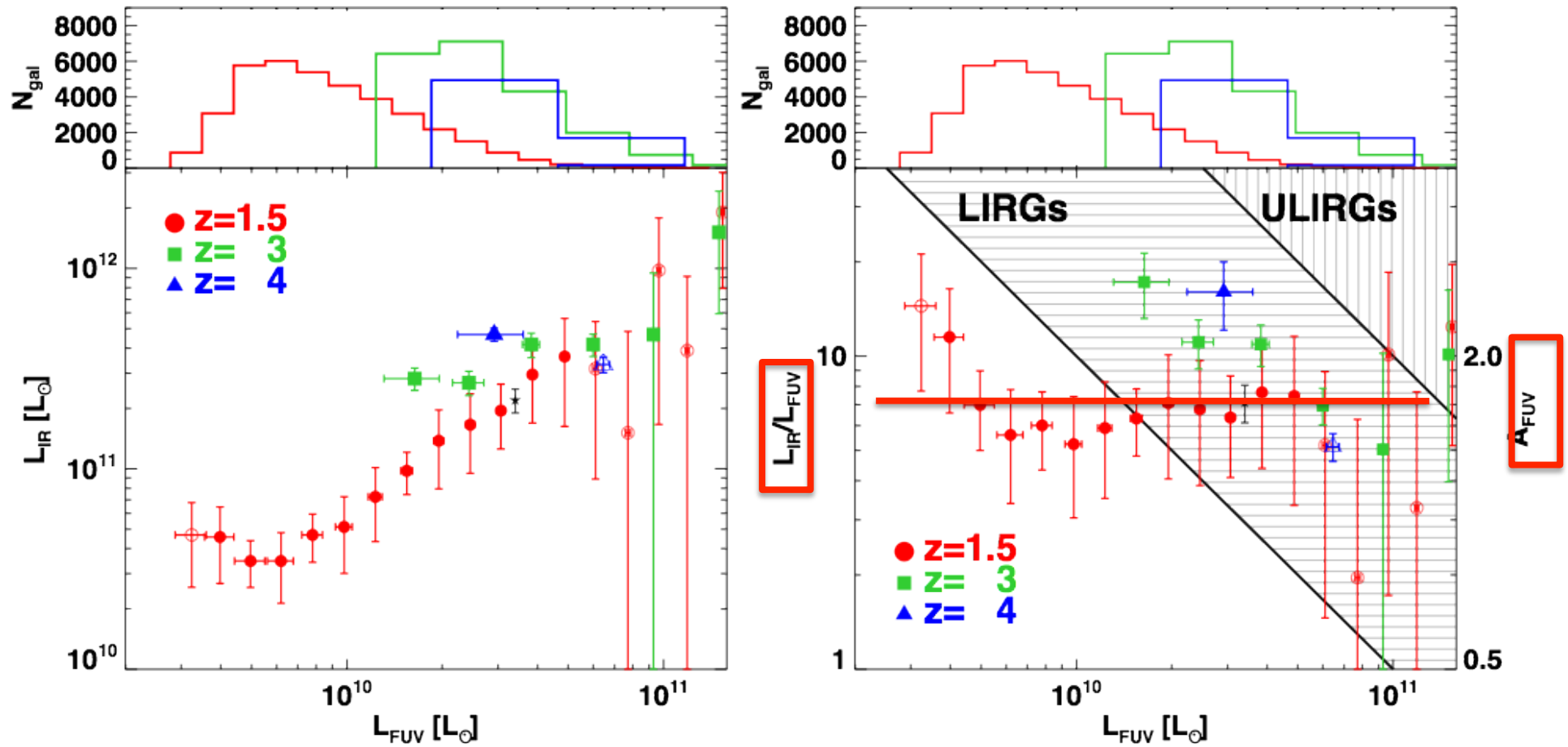


# Dust attenuation $L_{IR}/L_{FUV}$ versus $M_*$ for UV selected galaxies



A ( $L_{IR}/L_{FUV}$ ,  $M_*$ ) correlation which does not seem to vary with  $z$

Consistent results found by Panella+14 for a mass selection



$L_{\text{IR}}$  measured by fitting Dale & Helou (2002) templates on SPIRE data

*Heinis+13,14*

**UV selected galaxies  $\rightarrow$  LIRGs and sub-LIRGs**  
**Flat distribution of  $L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\text{UV}}$  versus  $L_{\text{UV}}$**