

Properties of Local Galaxies and Scaling Relations

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The Data Landscape

- Large area imaging Surveys:
 - GALEX, SDSS, 2MASS, UKIDSS, WISE, ALFALFA, (ROSAT All-Sky, FIRST, NVSS).
- Large single-aperture spectroscopic surveys of nearby galaxies:
 - SDSS, 2dF, GAMA
- Integral Field Spectroscopic surveys of nearby galaxies:
 - SAURON, ATLAS₃D, DiskMass, VENGA, MASSIVE, CALIFA, SAMI, and MaNGA.

How to measure global quantity?

- Integrated Photometry: Petrosian, Sersic, B+D fitting
- For any quantity that requires spectroscopy, we actually don't have large samples with global measurements available.
 - Slit and single-fiber spectroscopy are biased
 - Drift-scan spectroscopy or IFS are our only ways.

How a global quantity should be represented when the quantity has spatial gradient in a galaxy?

- Using the integrated value
- The value at R_e , or other characteristic place.
- Weighted average

Difficulty at getting the Global Value

- Example 1: Color

Color reflects the SFH (and metallicity).

The global color derived from integrated magnitudes is simply the average SFH of all components.

$$\frac{F_{u1} + F_{u2}}{F_{r1} + F_{r2}}$$

However, if there is spatial gradient in dust extinction, the global color becomes a weighted average of the SFH, weighted by the attenuated flux.

$$\frac{F_{u1}e^{-\tau_1} + F_{u2}e^{-\tau_2}}{F_{r1}e^{-\tau_1} + F_{r2}e^{-\tau_2}}$$

Difficulty at Getting the Global Value

- Example 2: Gas Metallicity in a star-forming galaxy

Global $[O/H]$ measured in the integrated spectrum is the average $[O/H]$ weighted by the intensity of star formation in each region.

Scaling Relations

- physics of SF: Kennicutt-Schmidt relation
- SF history:
 - color- luminosity relation
 - SFR - mass relation
 - mass - metallicity relation
 - mass - metallicity - SFR relation
 - stellar mass - halo mass relation
- BH formation: M - σ relation
- galactic structure: Luminosity - Kinematics (- size) Relation (Tully-Fisher, Faber-Jackson, Fundamental Plane, mass-size)

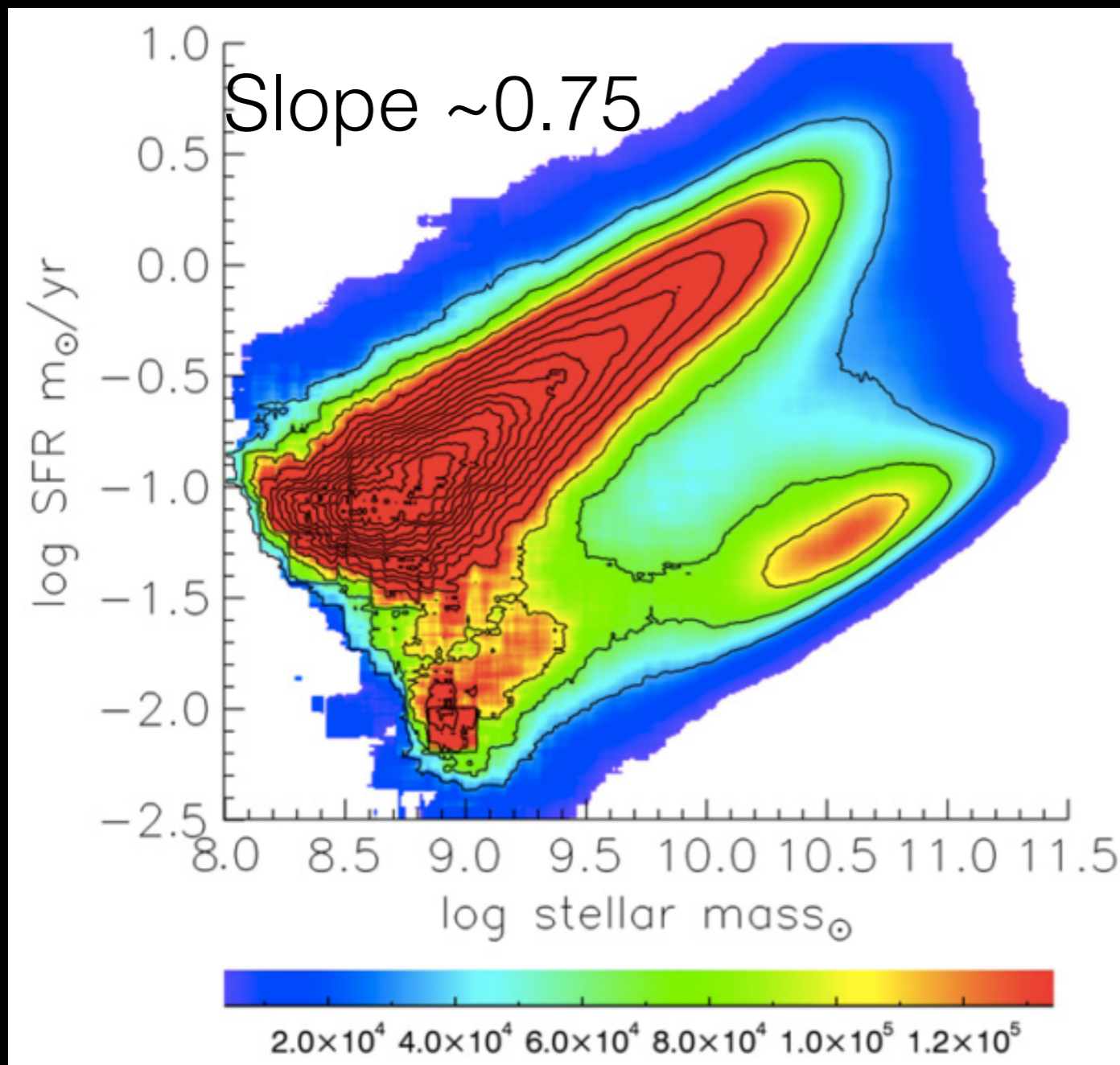
Measurement error vs. intrinsic scatter

useful for discovering
secondary dependence

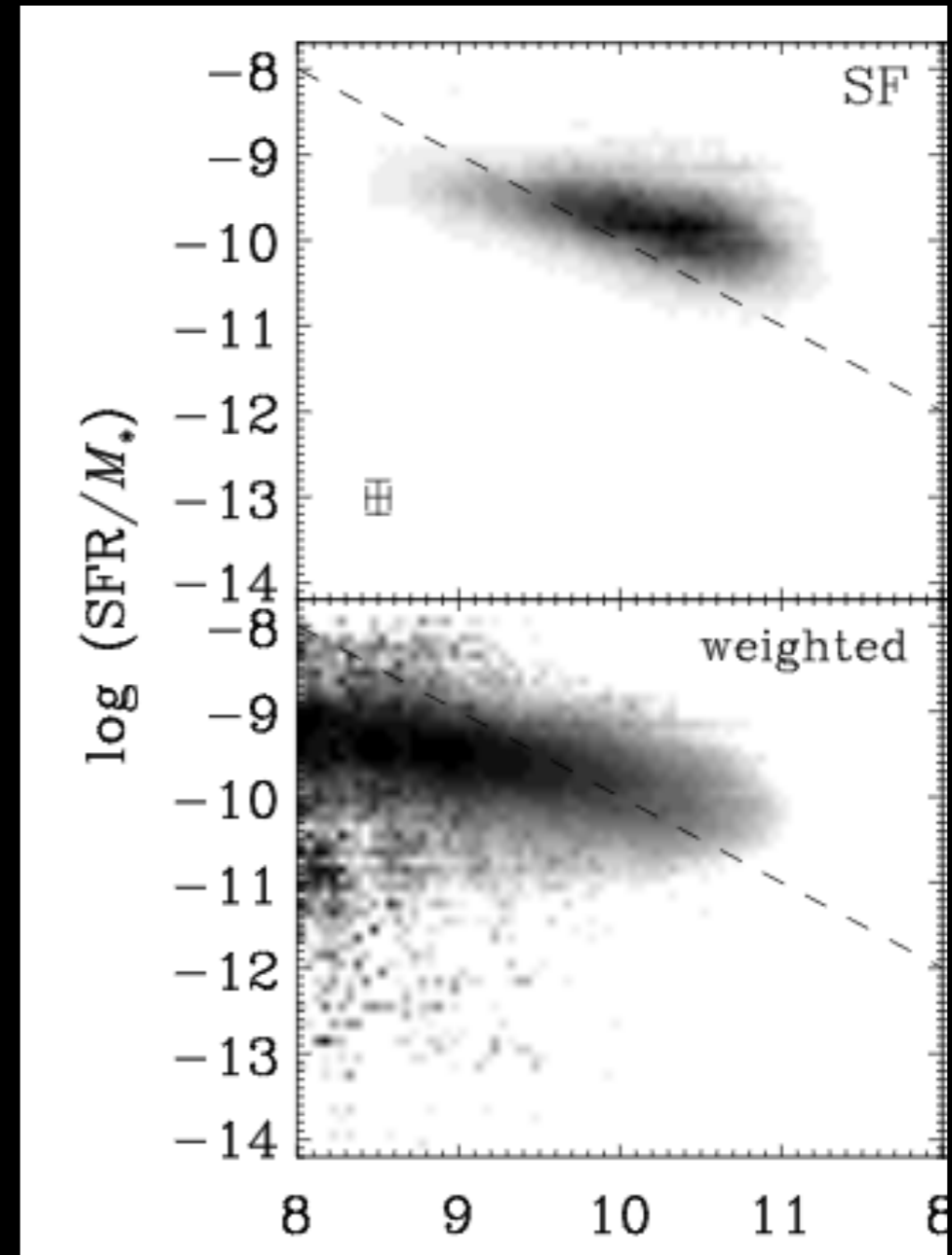
Random error vs. Systematic error

Model-dependent
Empirical-Calibration-dependent
Not necessarily a normalization offset

SFR - M_{star} relation



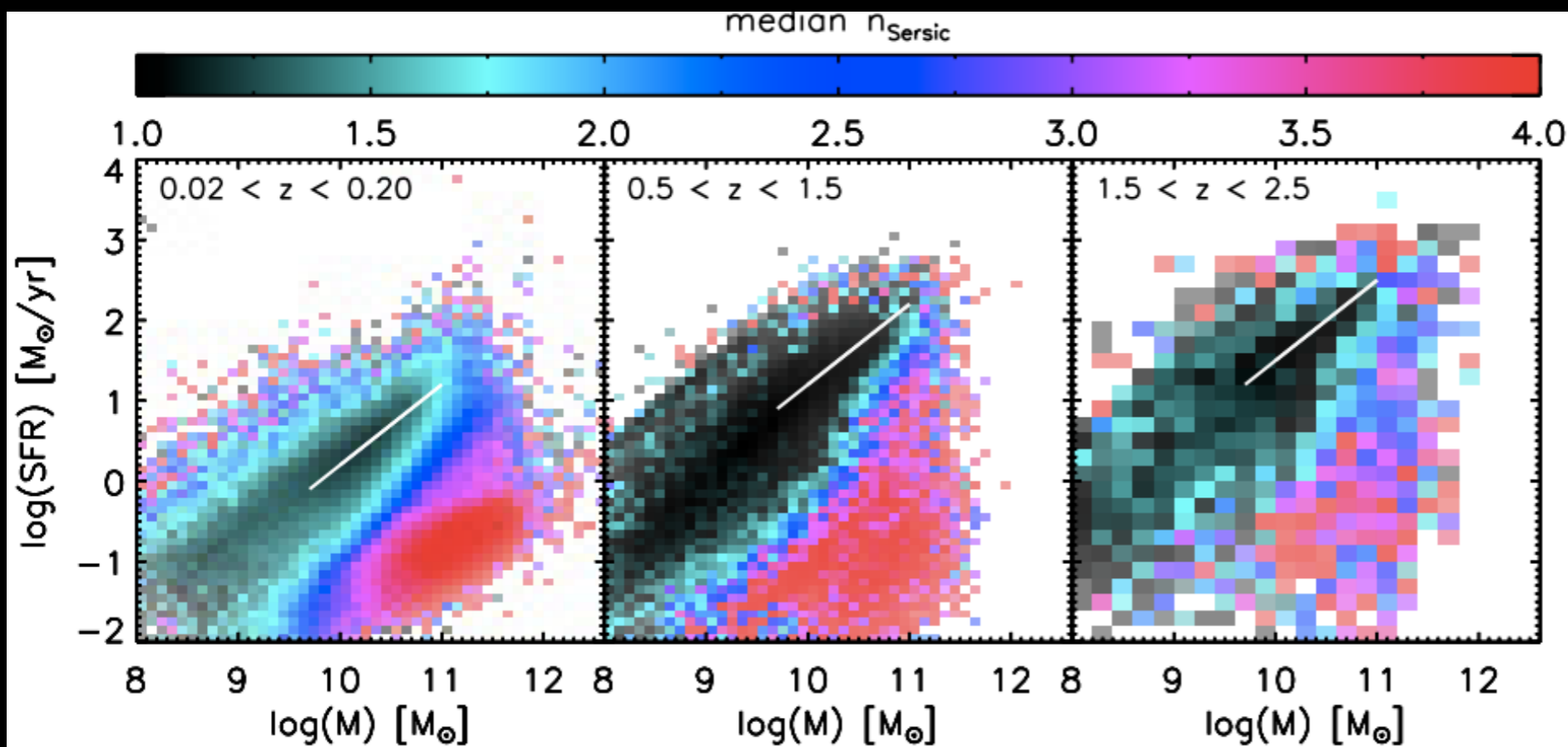
Renzini & Peng (2015)



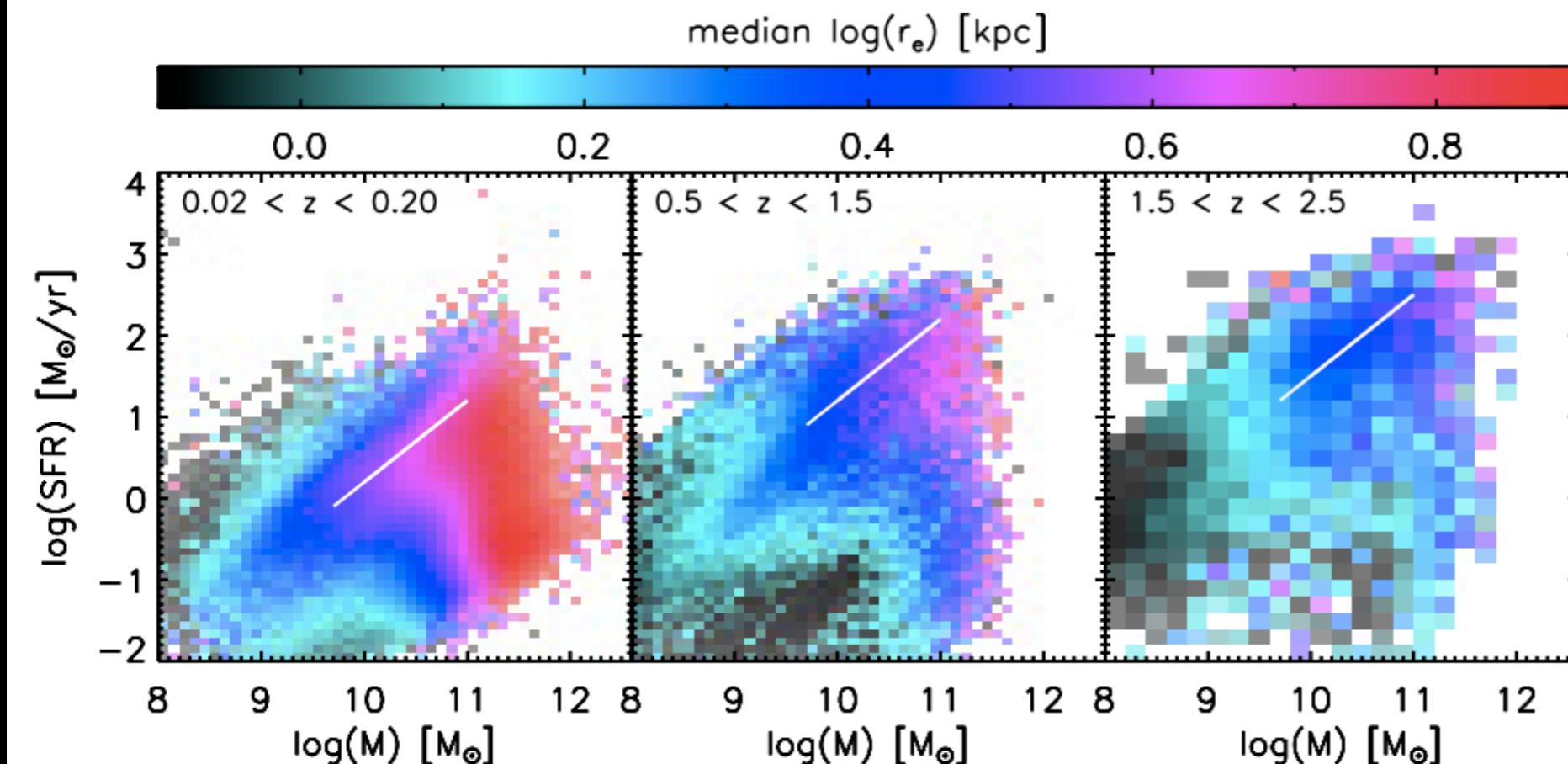
Salim et al. (2007)

And Brinchman+ (2004), Salim+ (2005), Salim & Lee (2012), Noeske et al. (2007), Elbaz+ (2007), Daddi+ (2007), Wuyts+(2011)

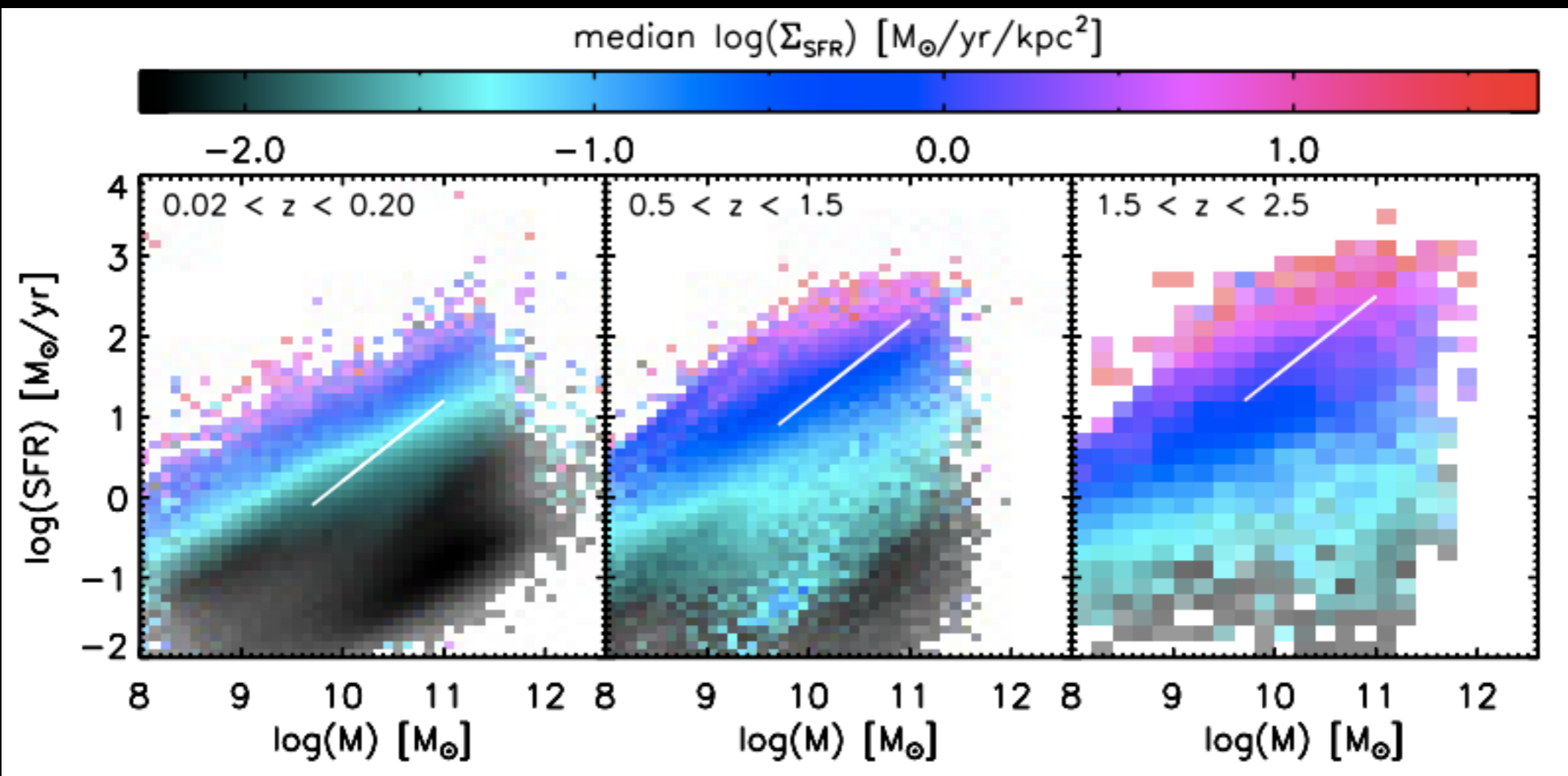
Structure SF main sequence



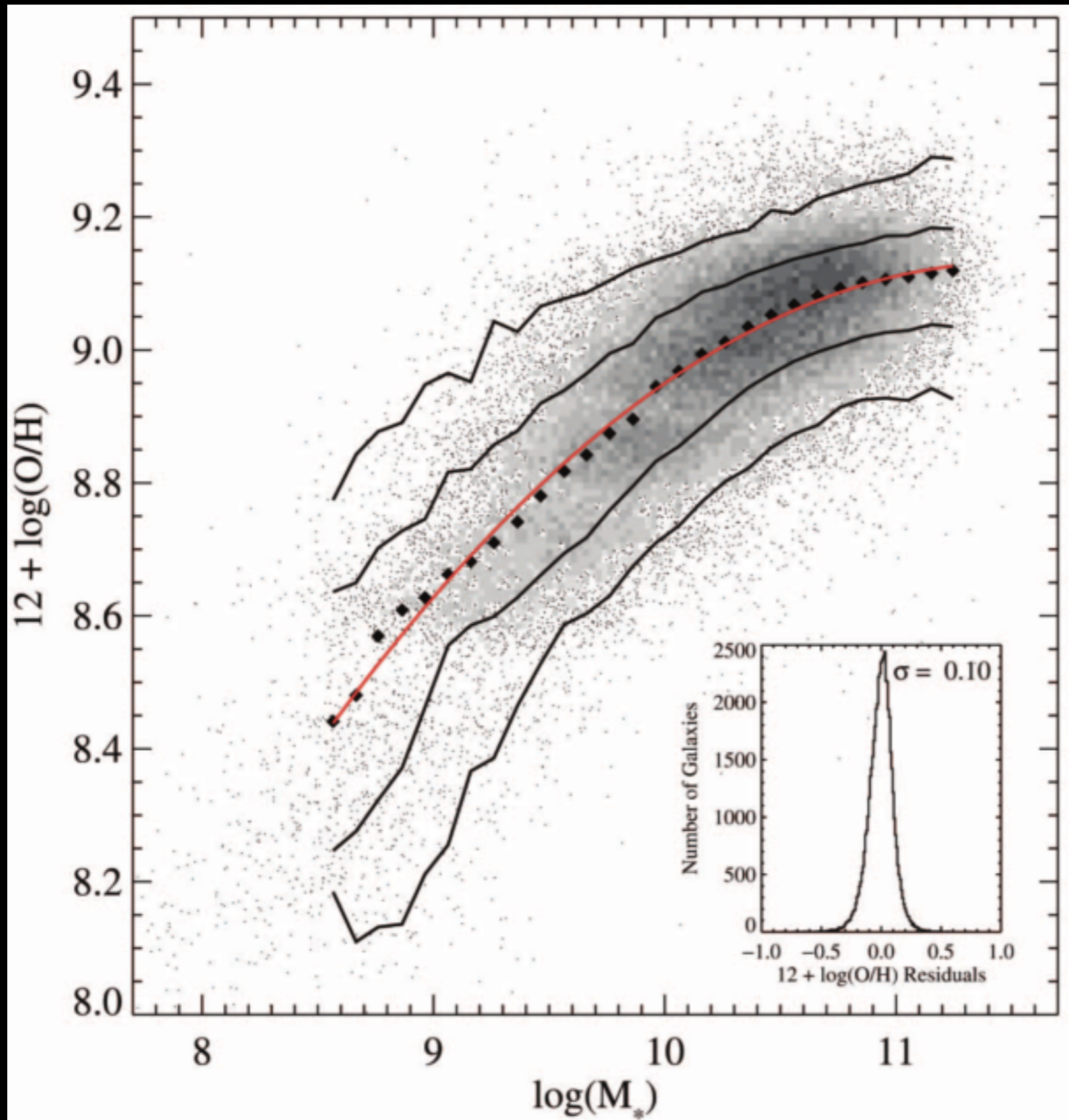
Slope ~ 1



Wuyts et al. (2011)



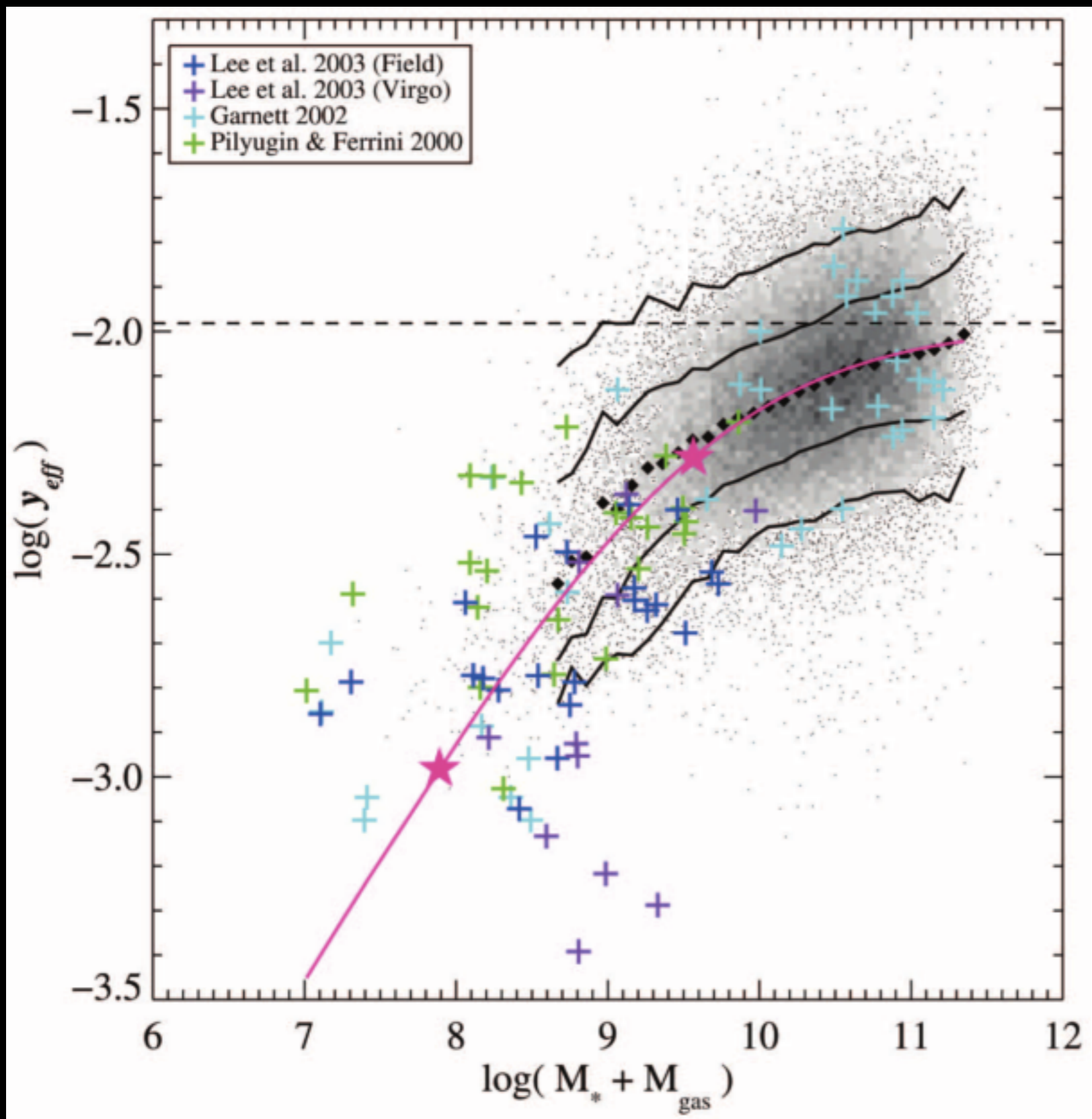
Mass-Metallicity Relation



The scatter is about twice the measurement error.

Tremonti et al. (2004)

Effective Yield vs. Baryonic Mass



Close-box model:

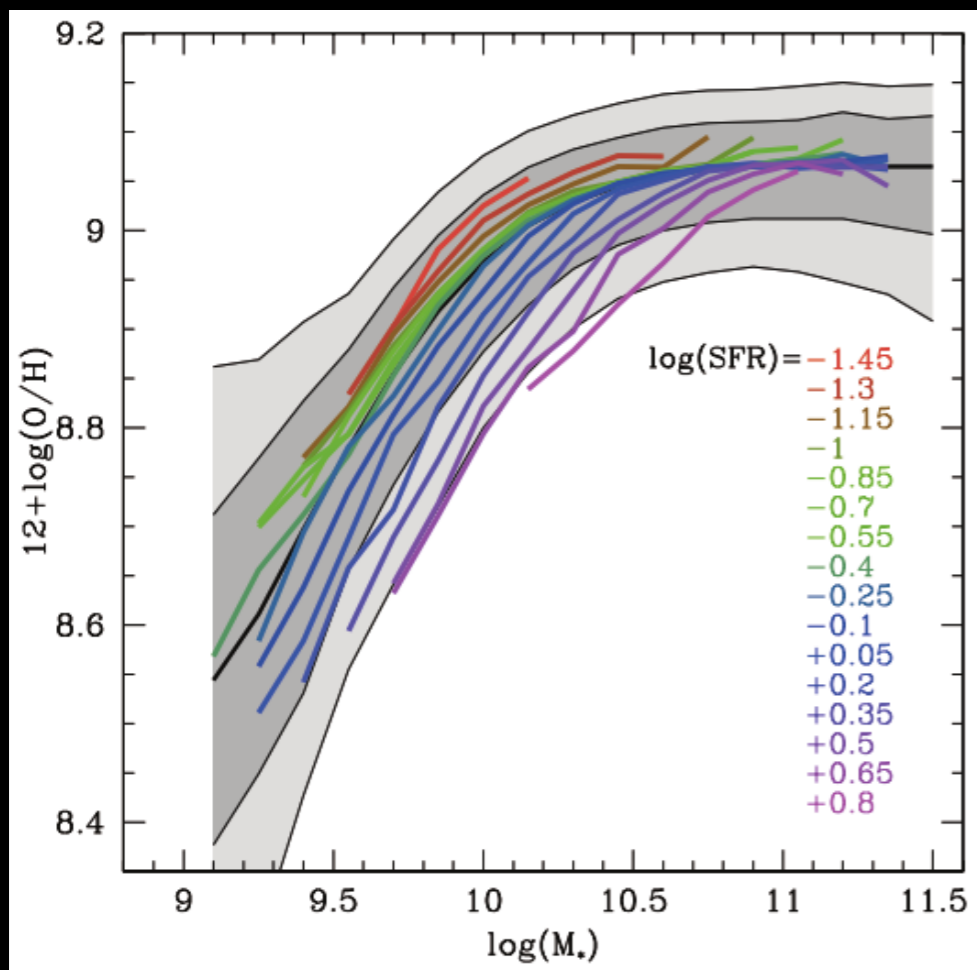
$$Z = y \ln(\mu_{\text{gas}}^{-1})$$

Define:

$$y_{\text{eff}} = \frac{Z}{\ln(\mu_{\text{gas}}^{-1})}$$

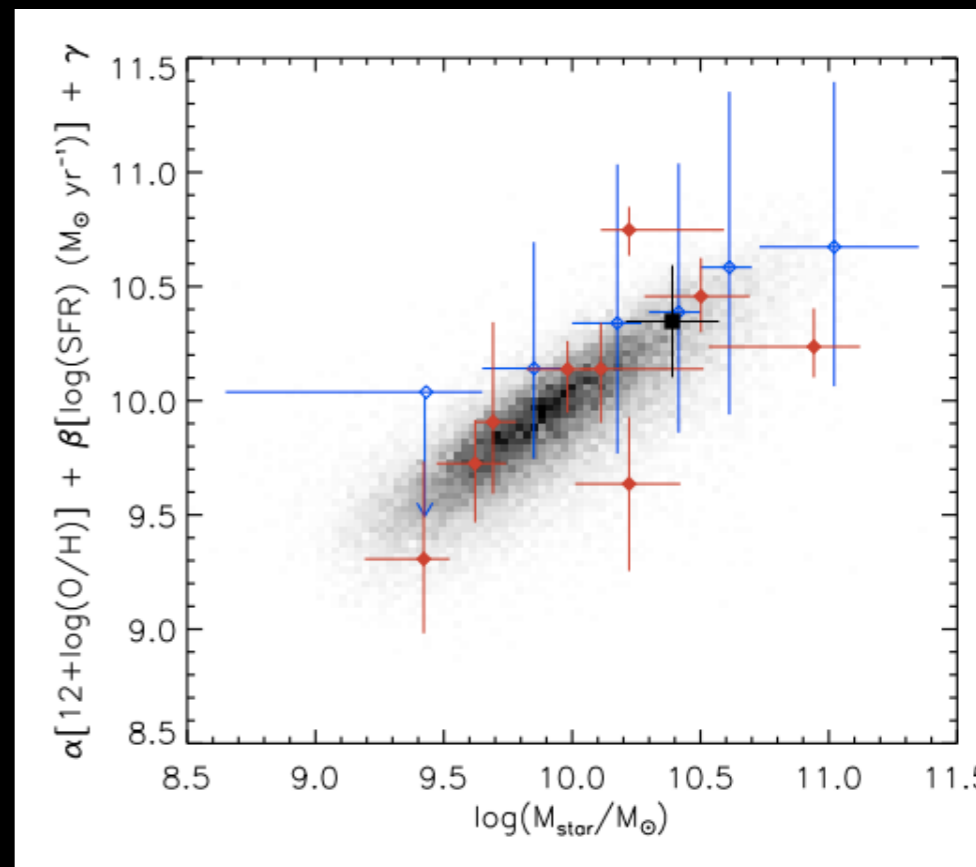
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Mass-Metallicity-SFR Relation

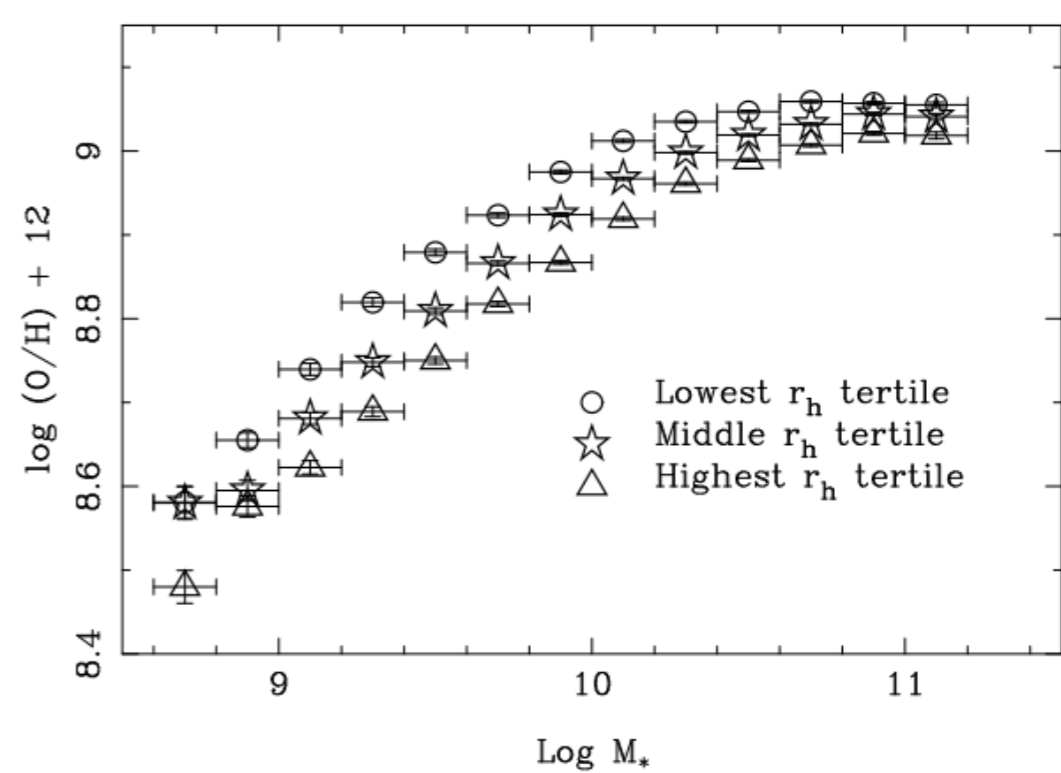
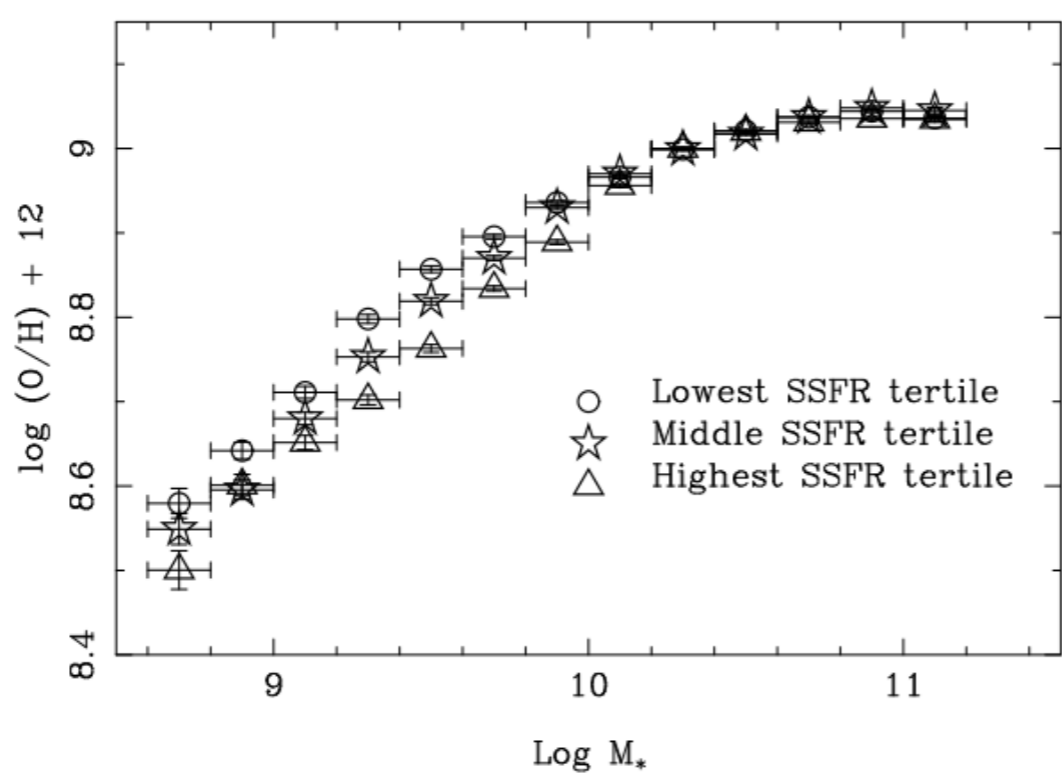


Mannucci+ (2010)

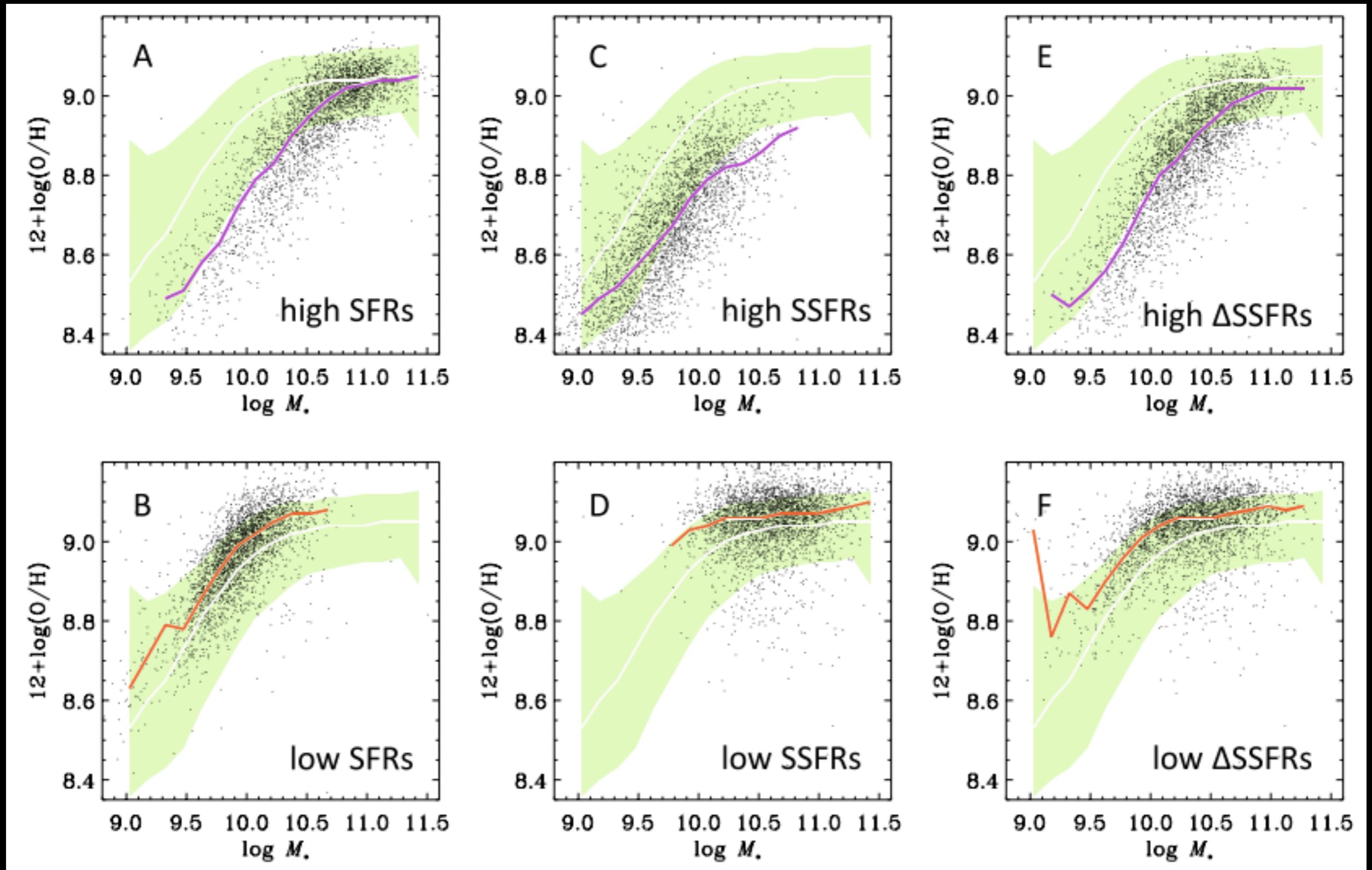
Lara-López+ (2010)



Ellison+ (2008)

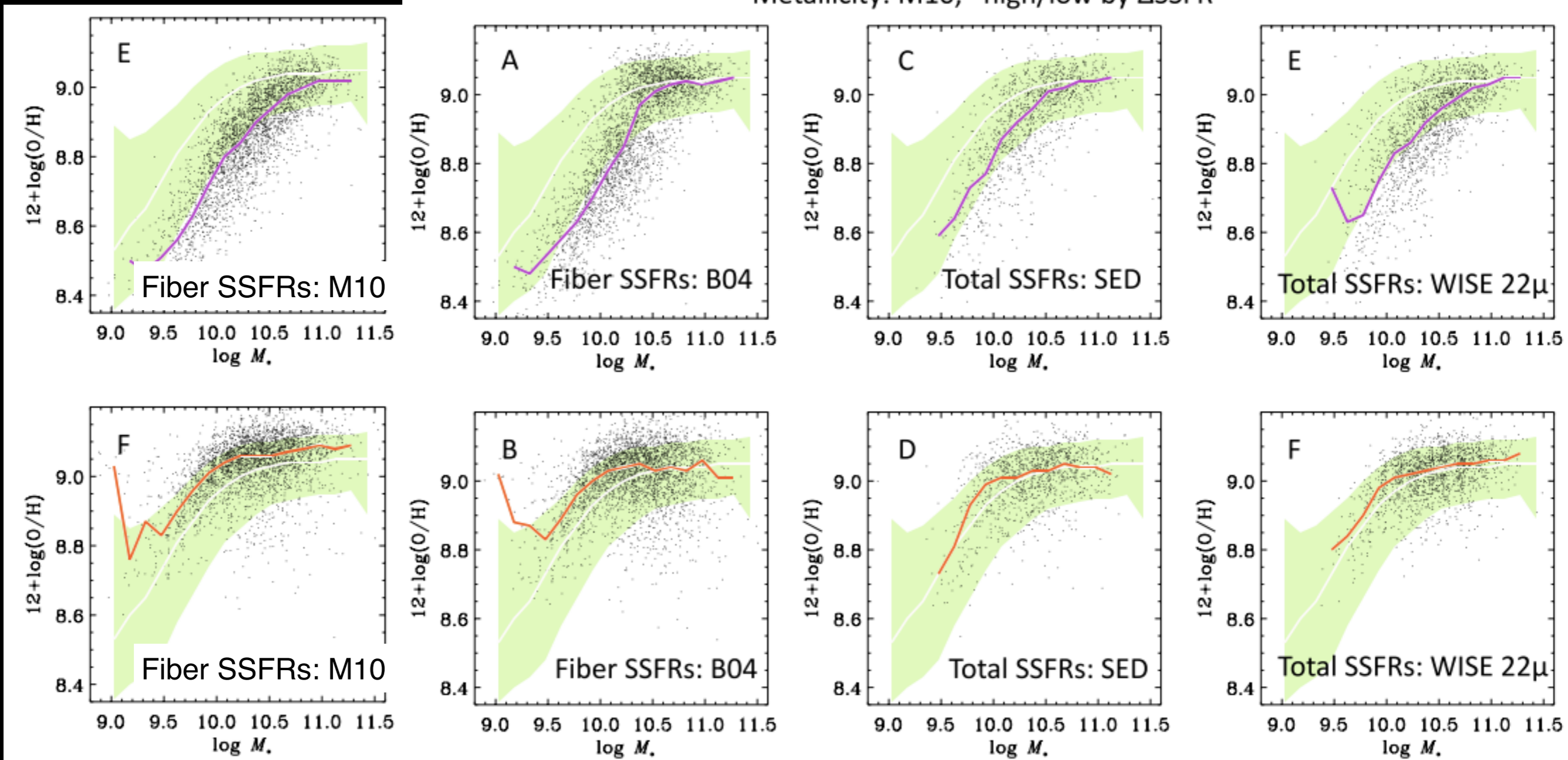


What secondary parameter to use matters



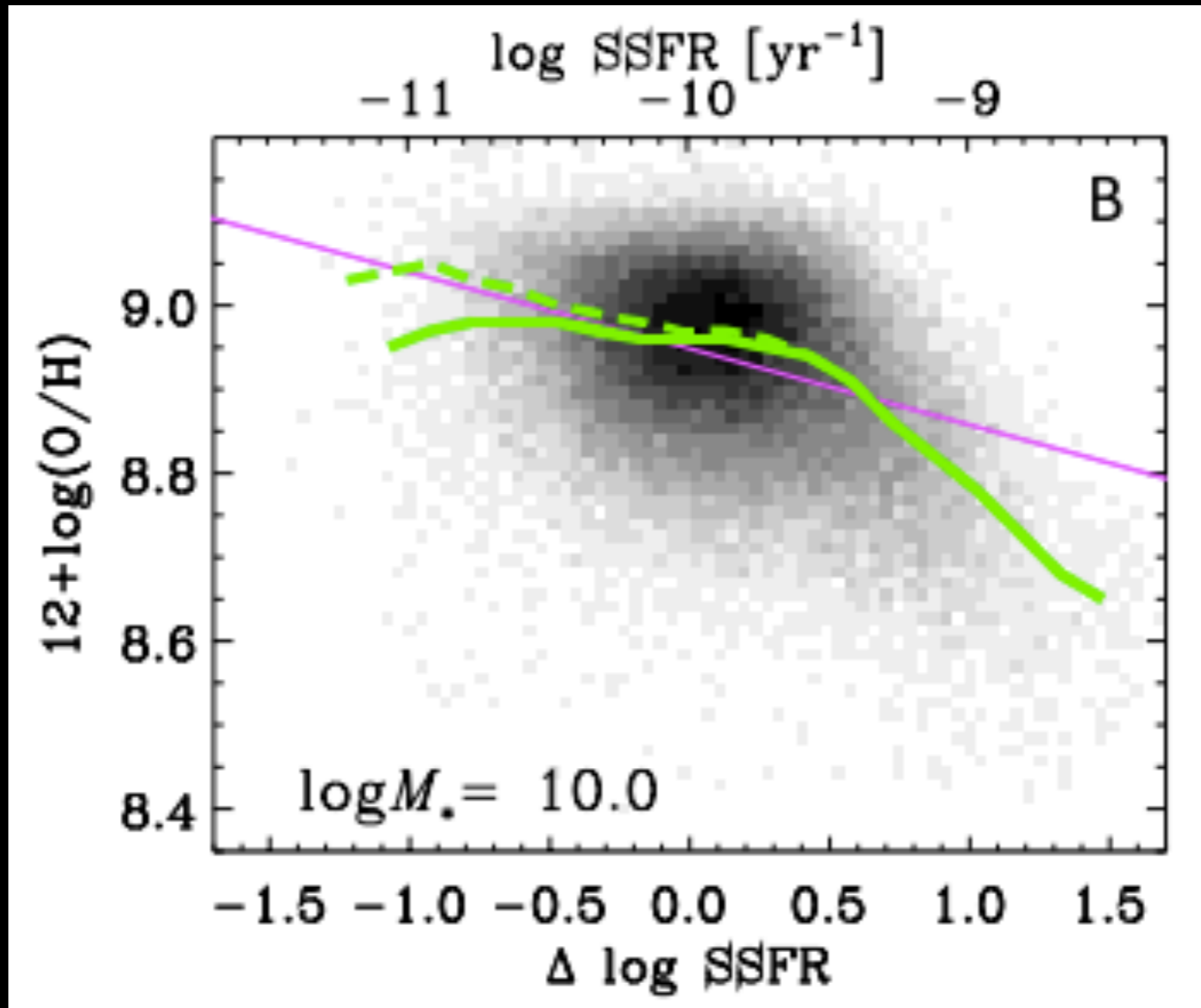
SFR indicator matters

Metallicity: M10, high/low by Δ SSFR



- Both fiber and total sSFR show the dependence.
- Different methods for SFR affect the strength of the

S/N ratio cuts on lines matters!!!



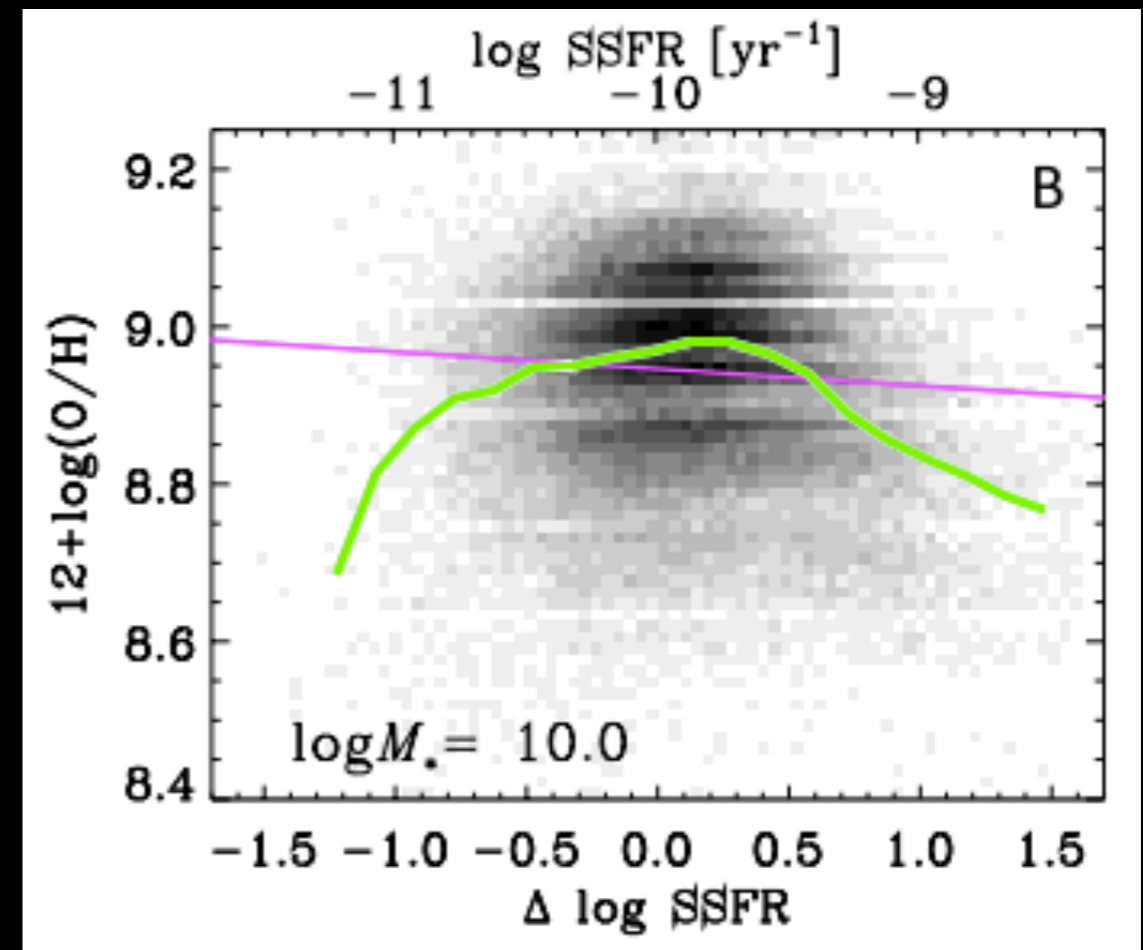
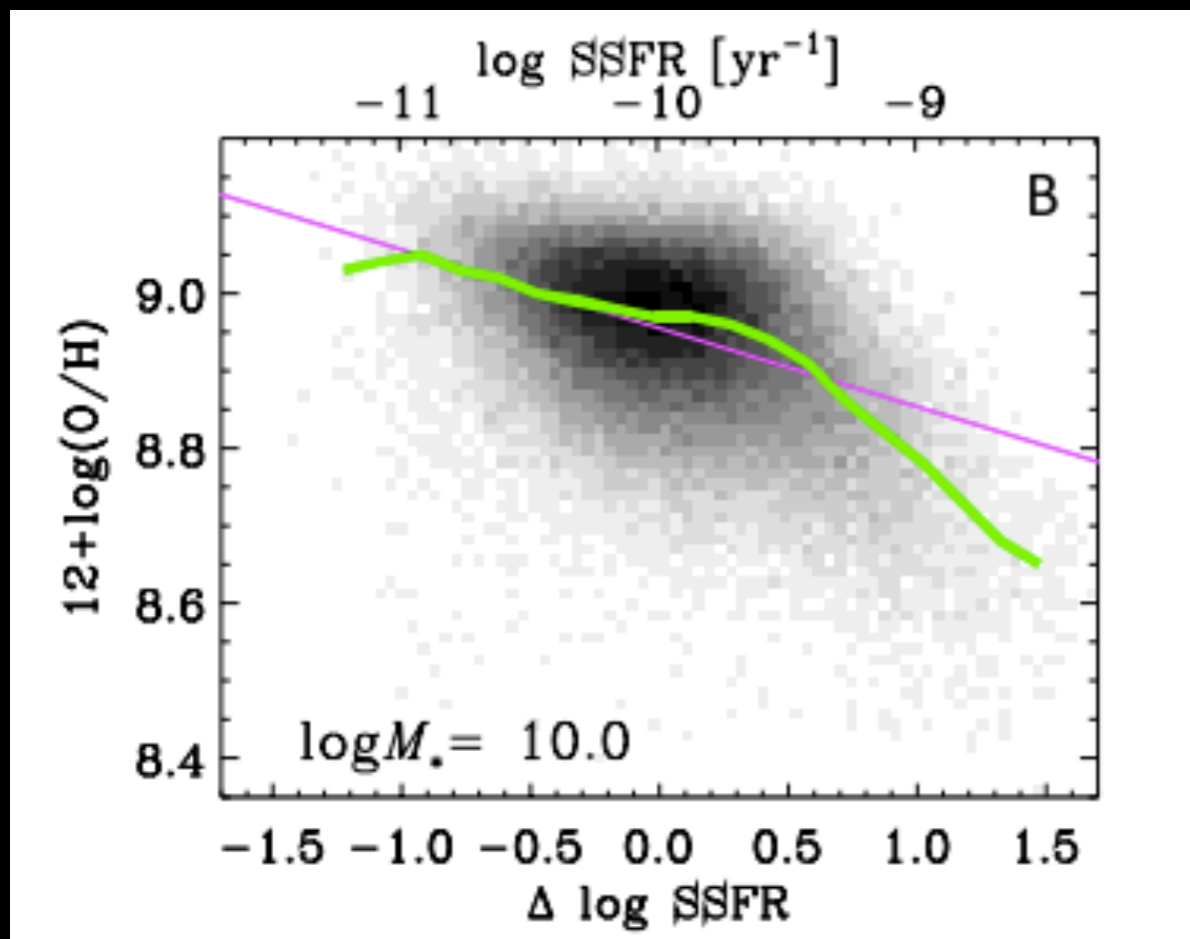
- Dashed: $S/N(\text{Ha}) > 25$
- Solid: $S/N(\text{Ha}) > 25$ and $S/N(\text{H}\beta, [\text{OIII}], [\text{NII}]) > 5.5, 4.5,$

Metallicity Estimator Matters!

[O/H] measurement based on

Mannucci+ 2010
Average of R23 and N2

vs. Tremonti+ 2004
Bayesian Method



Plots from Salim+2014

- Different metallicity estimators give different dependence strength.

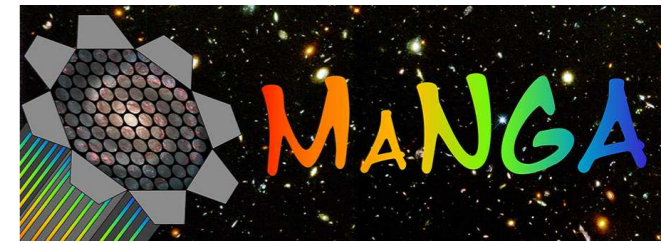
Intrinsic Scatter not fully explained

- Taking into account of the SFR dependence only reduces the scatter from 0.1 dex to 0.09 dex — very minor reduction. (Ellison+08, Pérez-Montero+13, Salim+15)
Still much more than measurement noise.
- There is also tertiary dependence on galaxy size, but it does not reduce the scatter much either.

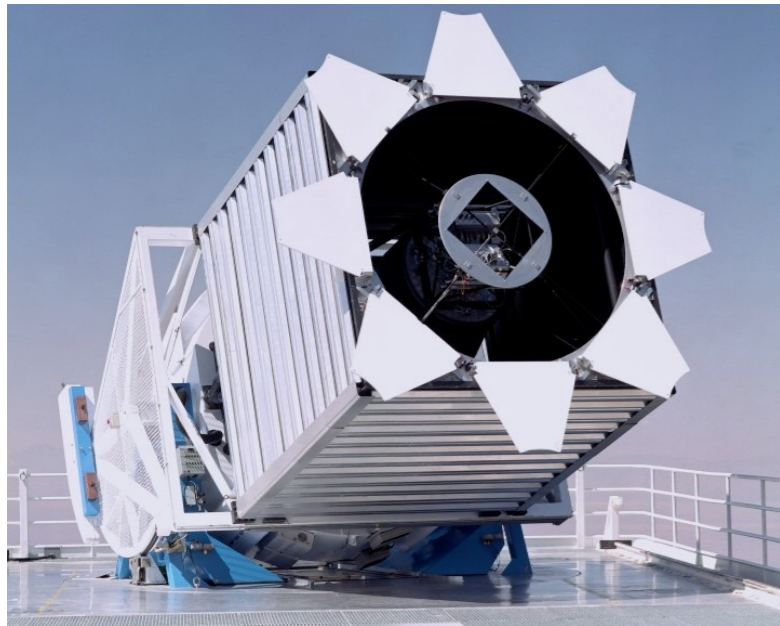
There is another thing!



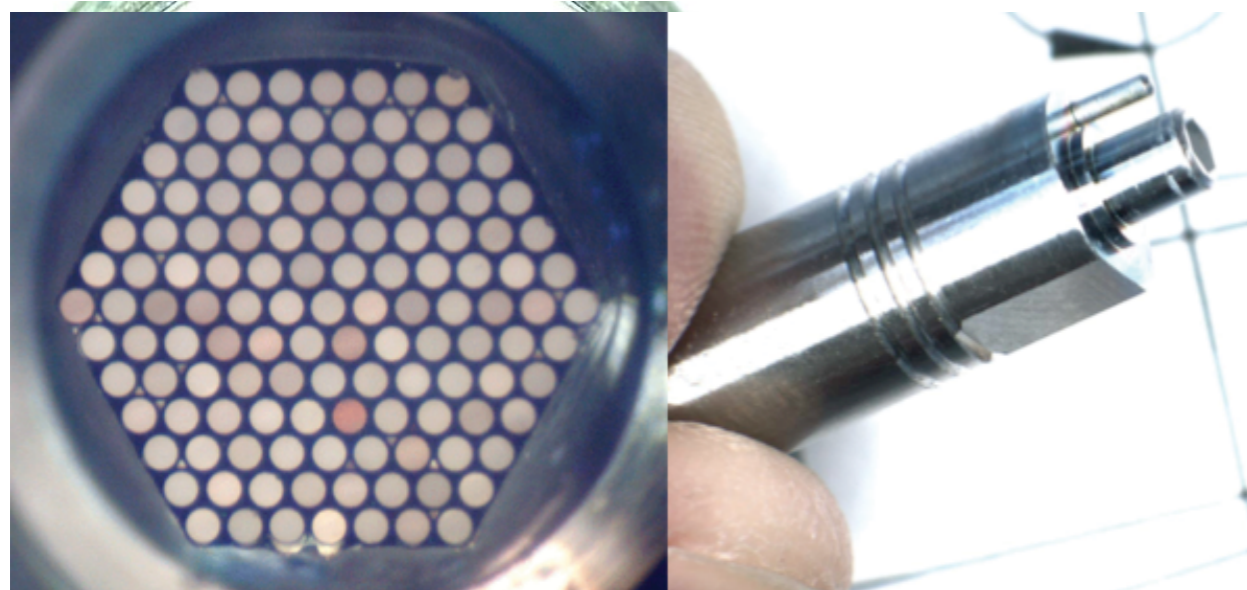
SDSS-IV/MaNGA



Mapping Nearby Galaxies at APO

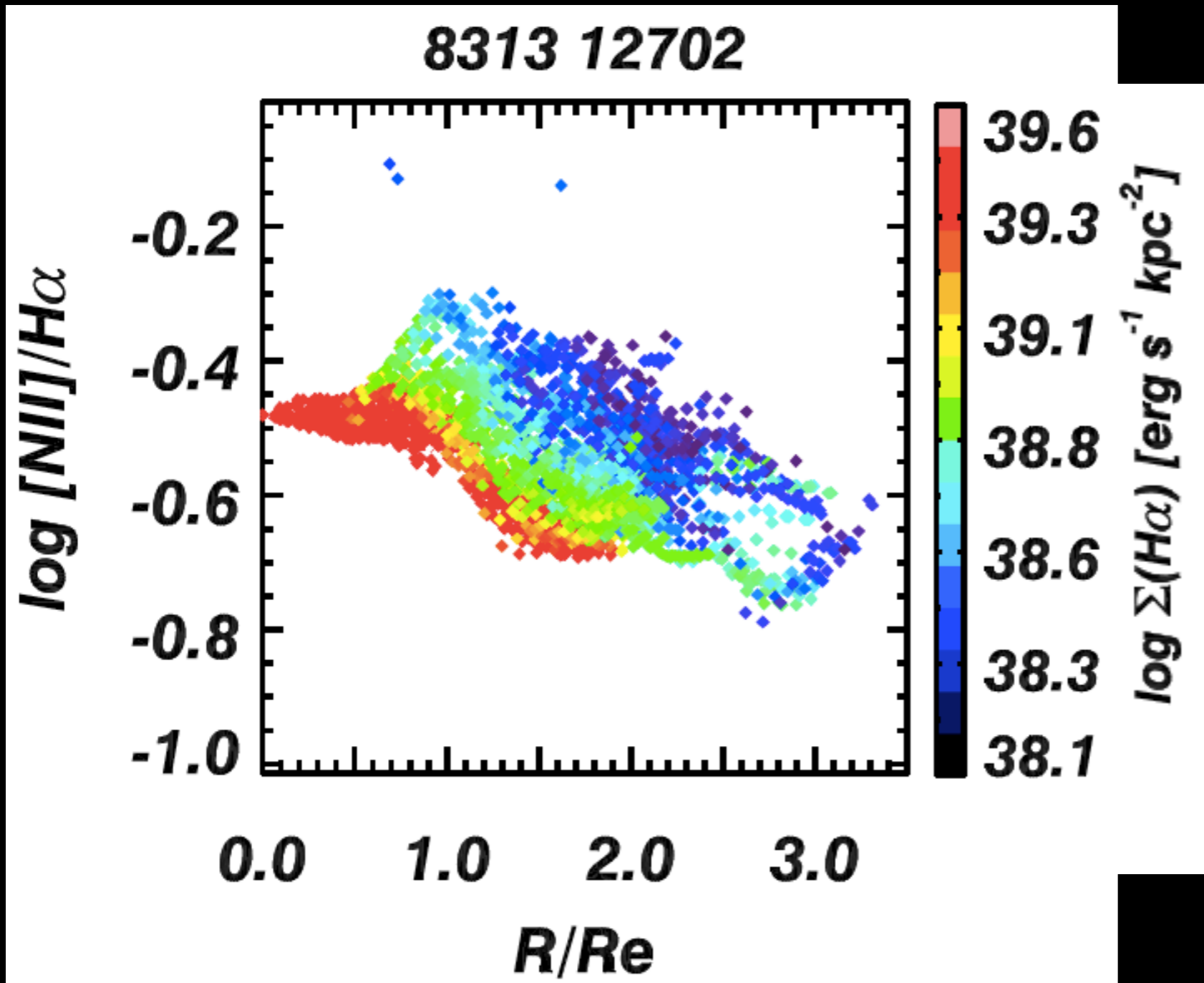


- Part of SDSS-IV
- Multi-object IFS: 17 galaxies per 7 sq. deg. pointing
- **10,000 galaxies** in 6 years (by Summer 2020).
- Spatial resolution: 2.5" (1-2kpc);
spectral resolution: 50-70 km/s (sigma), $R \sim 2000$;
spectral coverage: **3,630-10,300Å**.



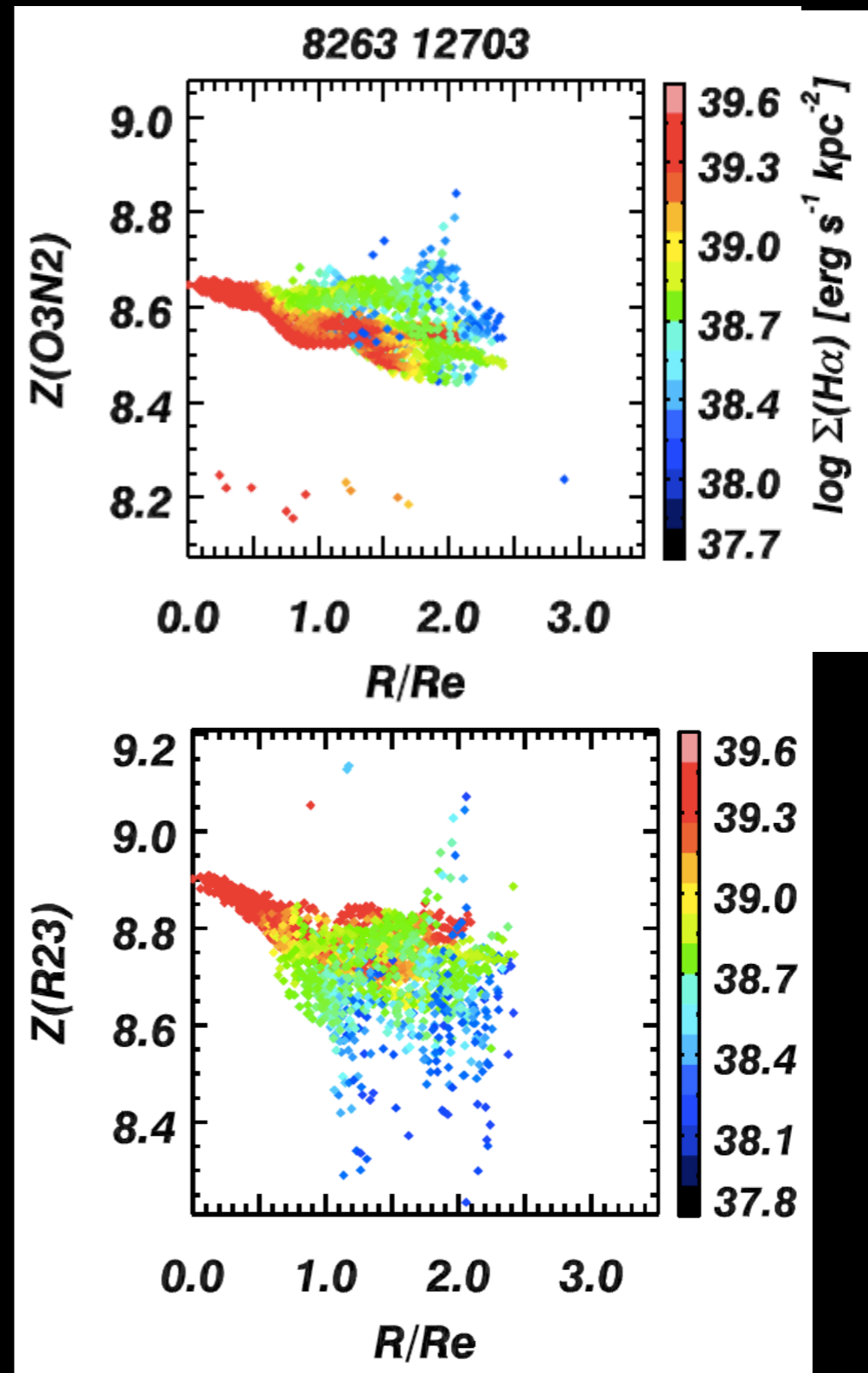
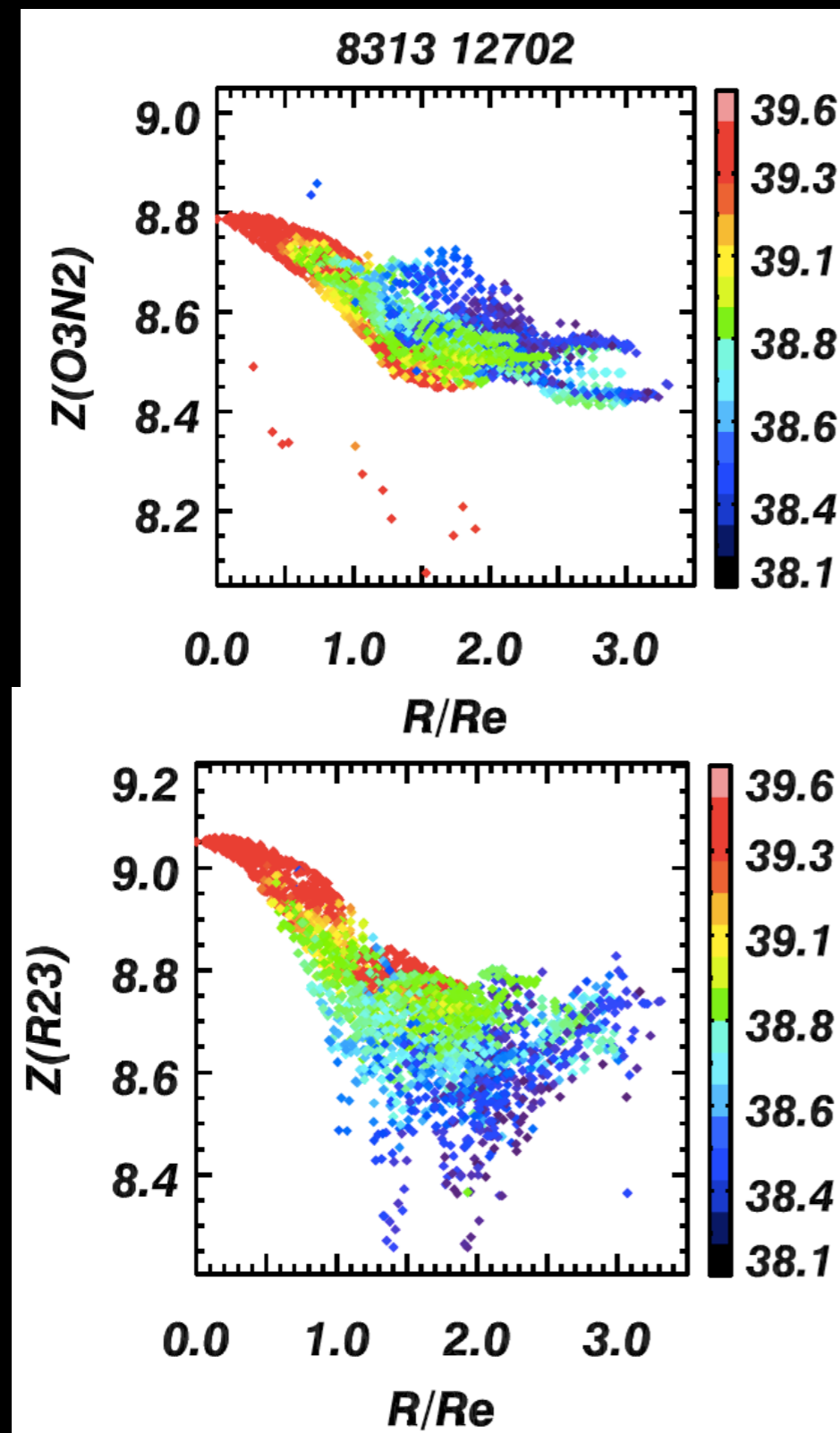
- Median S/N per Å of 5.5 per fiber in r-band at $1.5R_e$ with an average of 2.5 hour integration.
- **Up to today (Apr 9, 2016), we have observed ~2500 unique galaxies!**

Impact of Diffuse Ionized Gas



Zhang et al. in prep; see poster by Kai Zhang

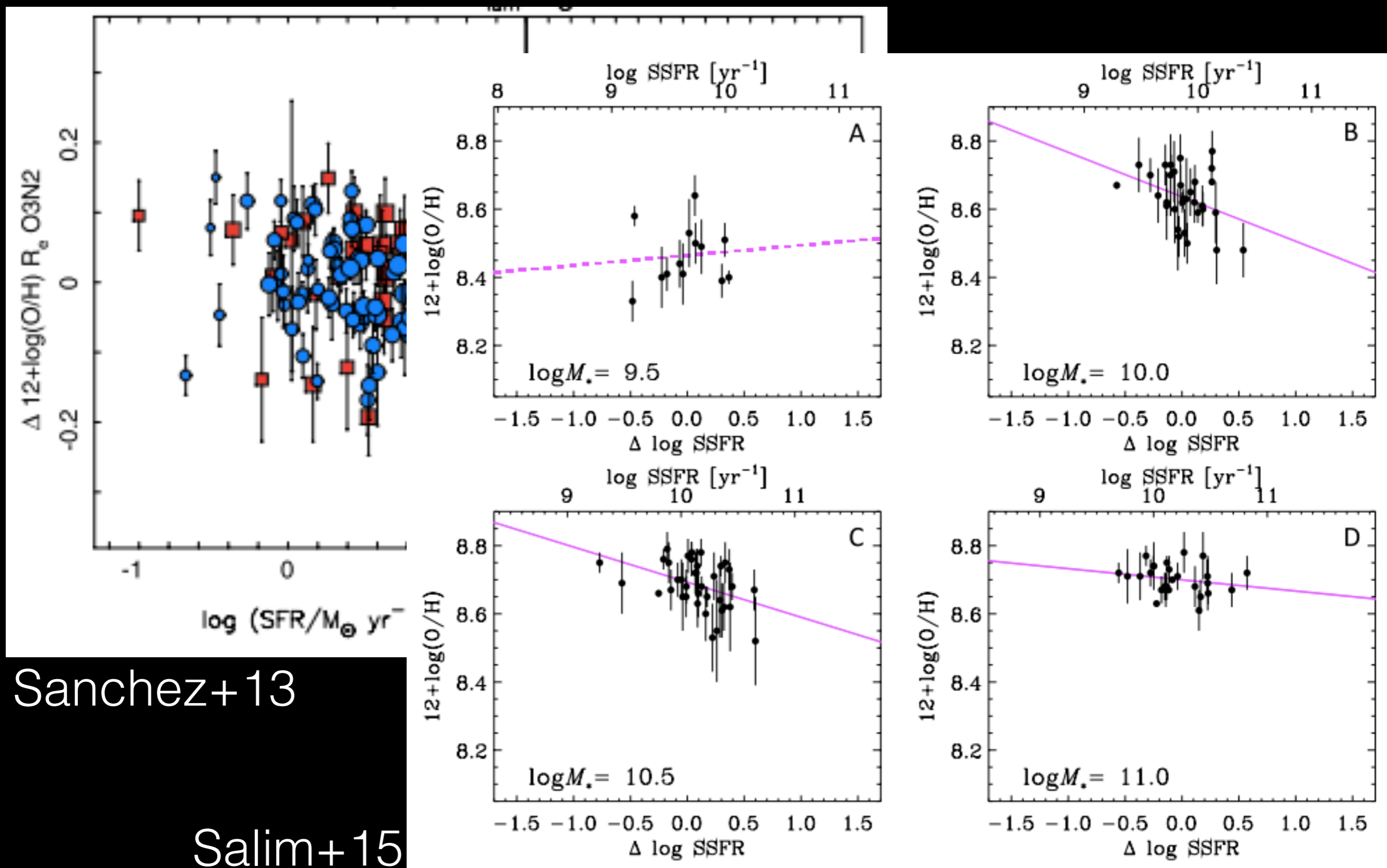
Different metallicity estimators are affected differently.



Summary

- Global measurements are difficult to make — we need to treat them carefully.
- To make progress, we need to understand ALL systematic errors in the measurements, related to sample selection, S/N cuts, empirical calibration, model assumptions
- Diffuse Ionized Gas has significant impact on metallicity measurements.

Aperture Effect



Sanchez+13

Salim+15