

Multi Object Spectroscopy @ E-ELT

How and Why

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This presentation heavily relies on contribution from
Bono, Fiore, Held, Li Causi, Longhetti, Maccagni, Pedichini, Pentericci, Zibetti...

Background: a strong italian participation to the first proposals of MOS instruments at ELT (OPTIMOS-EVE (Obs Paris) and OPTIMOS-DIORAMAS (Obs. Marseille))

First action: a dedicated science meeting aimed at:

- collecting the science cases;
- defining technological involvements;
- discuss various tradeoffs for optimization (slit vs fiber, resolution, IR vs Opt etc)

Meeting held at INAF HQ on Dec 19.

OPTIMOS-EVE

Observatoire de Paris, RAL-UK, NL-Nova, University of Copenhagen, etc.

Builds on consortium experience with VLT instruments:

- FLAMES/GIRAFFE, fibre-fed, medium res. instrument with multiplexing of 132 + multi-IFU,
- X-shooter, large spectral coverage, medium res.

Fiber-fed instrument = versatility

Spectral range from 370 to 1600nm

R>4000 (5000-30000)

Multiplex>200 on 7' (goal 10')

Different aperture on sky and spatially resolved spectroscopy

DIORAMAS

Use EELT natural seeing of GLAO corrected beam

Wide field: 7x7 arcmin

0.37-1.6 μm , 2 VIS and 2 NIR channels, simultaneous

Imaging

Spectroscopy mean slit 0.5", min 0.1"

Multiplexing: 480 slits at R~300, 160 slits at R~2000-3000

GLAO: from 0.7 to 0.4 arcsec over FOV

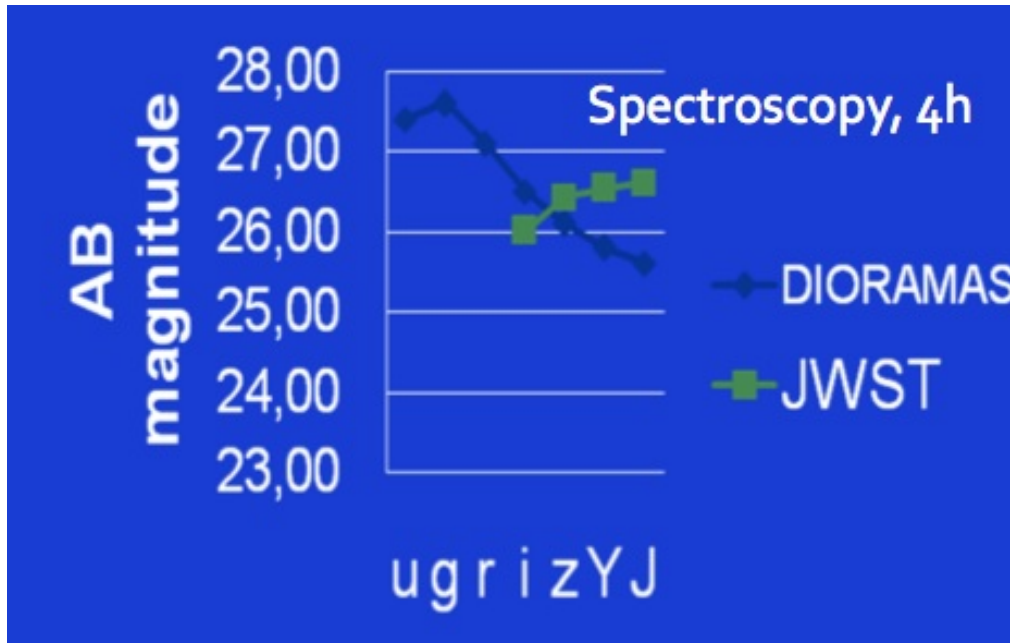
Limiting mag. in spectroscopy: AB~26.5

MOS@E-ELT VS JWST

gain@1um compared to NIRSPEC

X5 multiplex

X2.5-5 fov at equivalent depth/unit time



MOS@E-ELT will be competitive also during and after the JWST era.

“Sweet spot” science cases involve the study of:

- faint ($24 < m < 28$) **and**
- relatively rare ($\leq 1/\text{arcmin}^2$)
- targets

Italian researchers
(theo.+obs.+tech.)
interested in developing
science cases on nearby
stellar populations for
MOS@E-ELT



Torino:
Lattanzi,
GAIA

Milano:
Covino

Padova:
Held,
Greggio

Trieste:
Nonino,
Dimarcantonio,
Cirami, Coretti

Firenze:
Esposito,
Zibetti, Randich,
Mannucci

Bologna:
Battaglia;
Fiorentino

Pisa:
Prada Moroni,
Degl'Innocenti

Teramo:
Cassisi,
Pietrinferni,
Piersimoni

Roma:
Pulone

Napoli:
Dall'Ora,
Ripepi

Why Carina dSph?

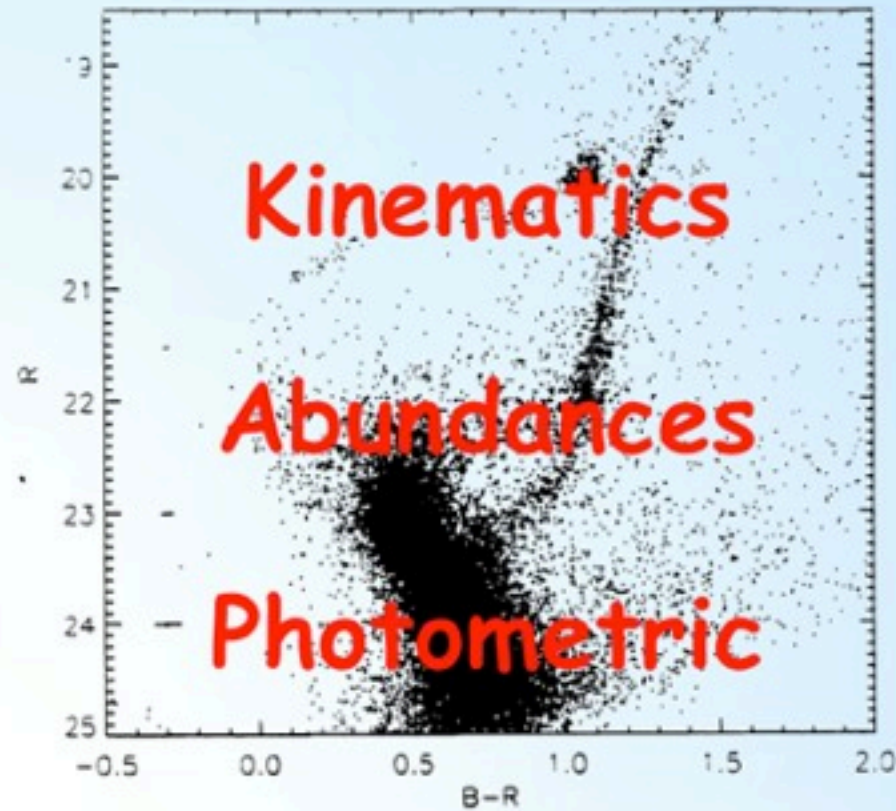
Close $\sim 100\text{kpc}$

Low density $\rho = 0.17 M_{\odot} / \text{pc}^3$

Well separated radial velocity peak from field stars

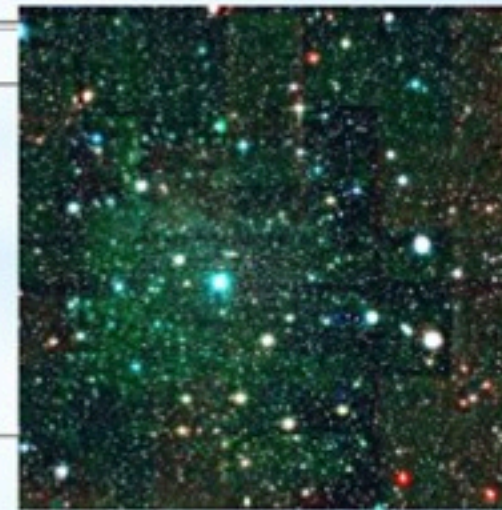
Multiple separated star formation episodes

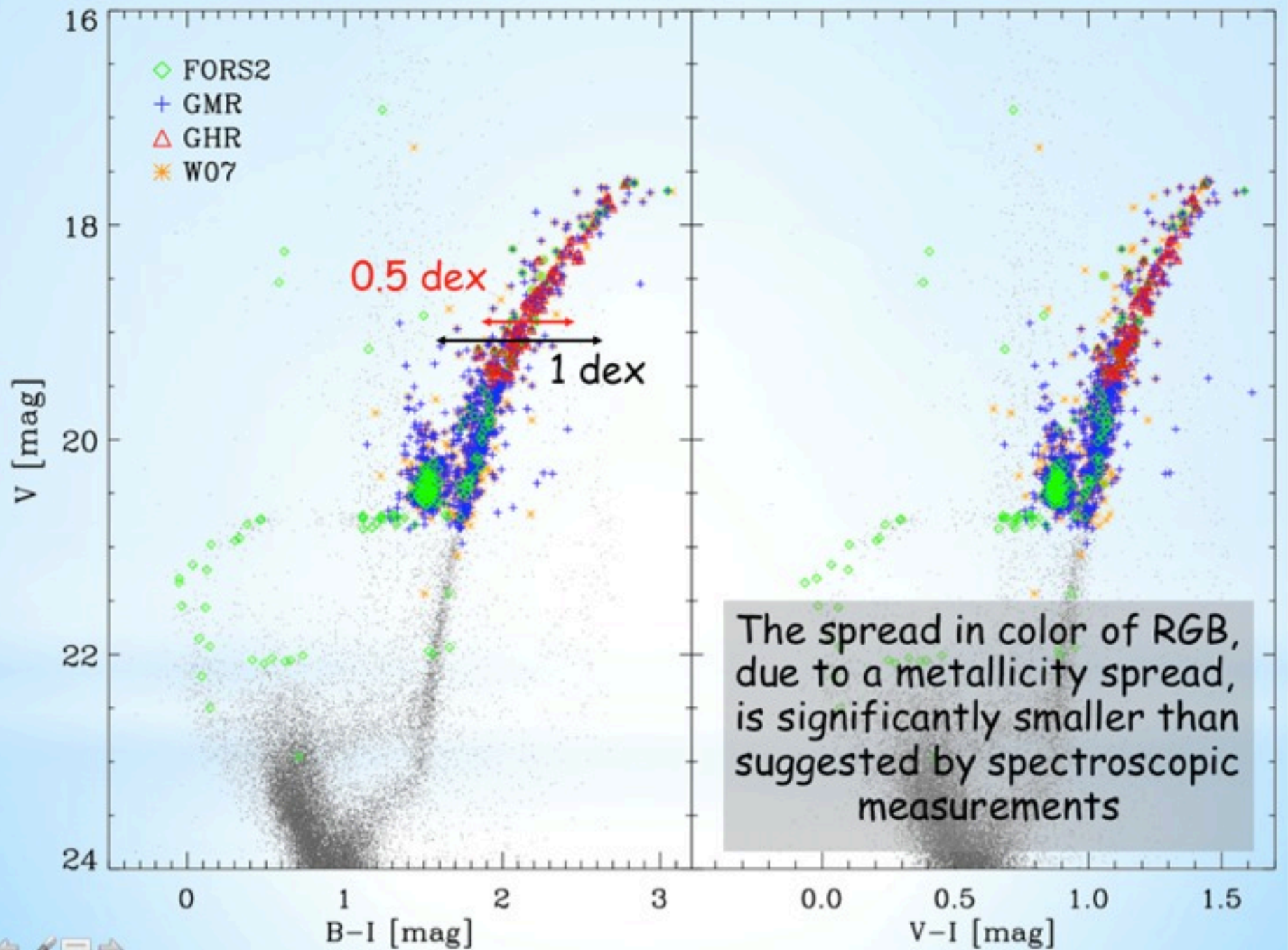
Metallicity distribution from ~ -2.5 to ~ 0.5 dex



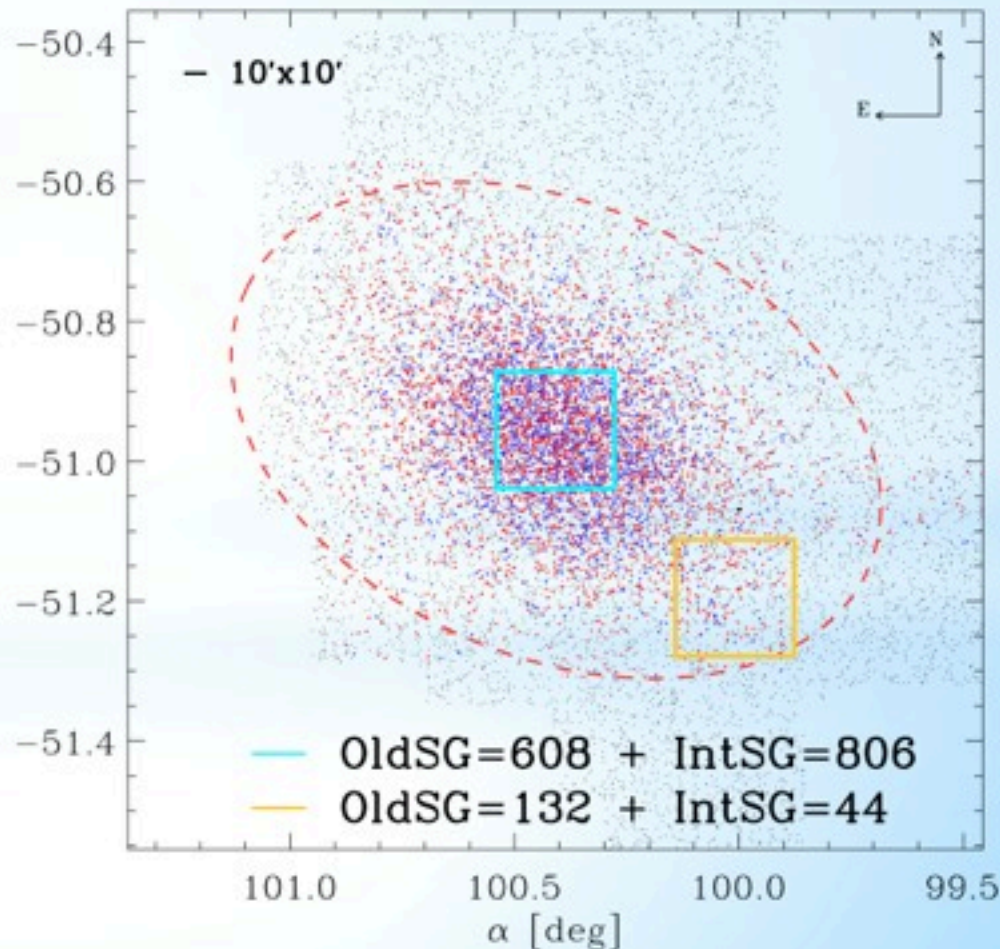
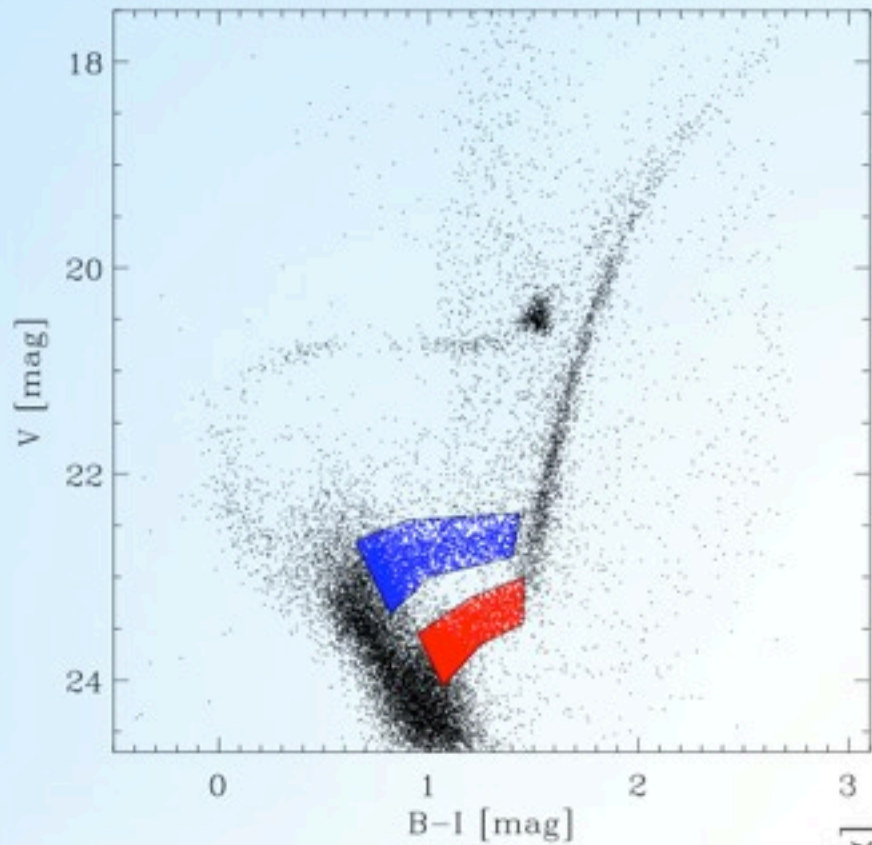
Parameter	Values
α (J2000).....	06 41 37
δ (J2000).....	-50 58 00
M_V^a (mag).....	-8.9
r_c^b (arcmin).....	$11.96 \pm 1.5/14^c$
r_d^d (arcmin).....	$22.54 \pm 1.4/32^c$
e^e	0.32 ± 0.04
P.A. ^f (deg).....	64 ± 2.5
σ_V^g (km s ⁻¹).....	6.8 ± 1.6
[Fe/H] ^h	-2.0 ± 0.30
$E(B-V)^j$	0.04 ± 0.02
$(m-M)_V^k$ (mag).....	20.03 ± 0.09

Smecker-Hane et al. 1996
Mateo 1998





Carina in MOS@E-ELT



Requirements:

- FoV
- Multiplex
- Limiting magn.

Requirements for MOS@E-ELT in the NIR

Large FoV > 7'x7' (goal 10'X10')

High multiplex > 200

Spatial res. < 0.3–0.9 arcsec

Kinematics (+met. Ind.)

Low-res $R \sim 3,000 - 4,000$

Limiting mag. J,H ~ 25 mag

S/N $\sim 10-15$ (50h)

Abundances

High-res $R \sim 20,000 - 30,000$

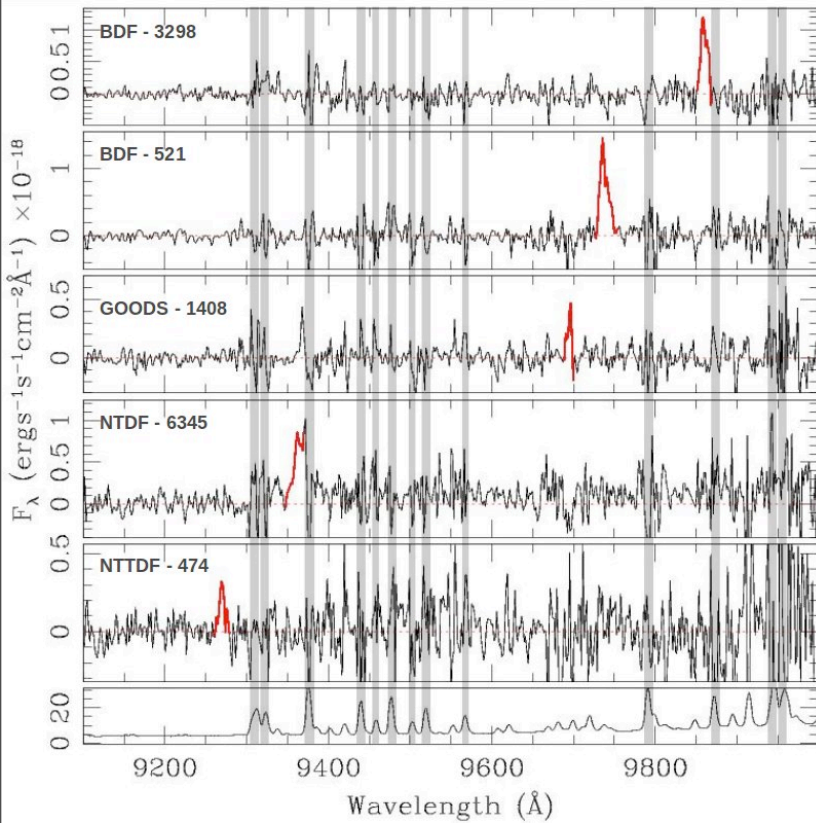
Limiting mag. J,H ~ 23 mag

S/N $\sim 60-80$ (30h)

Simultaneous multiplexity between medium and high resolution

1. The first galaxies: exploring the end of the dark ages; (Pentericci, Fontana, Grazian..)
2. Faint high redshift AGN: synergies with future X-ray facilities (Fiore, Comastri ...)
3. Quiescent old galaxies in the early Universe (Longhetti, Zibetti, Fontana..)
4. Stellar populations and high z: Metallicity and kinematics of high redshift “normal” galaxies (Zibetti, Longhetti, Mannucci etc..)

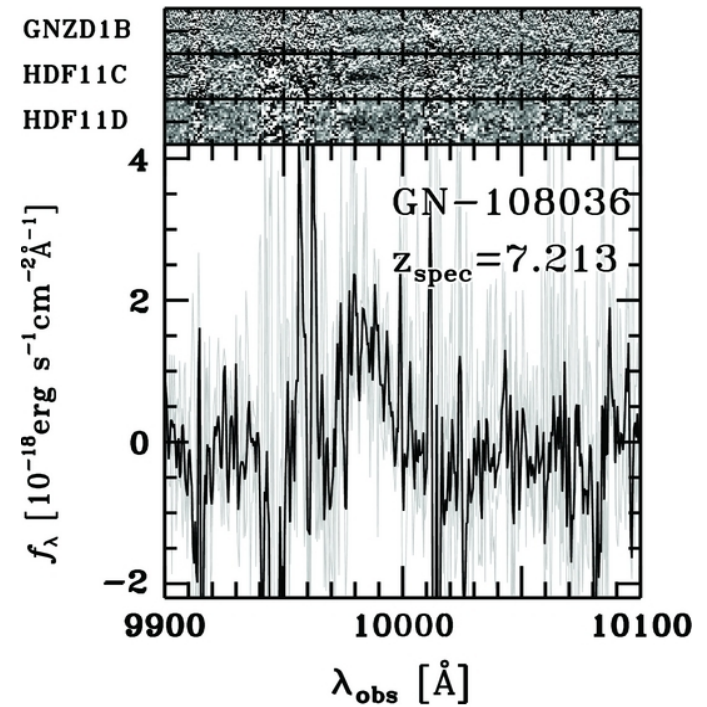
I Exploring the dark ages: the highest redshift galaxies



$z=7.109$

$Z=7.008$

Pentericci+11
Vanzella+11
Fontana+10



O. Ouchi+12

The spectroscopic confirmation of high-z galaxies is hitting a “ceiling” at $z \approx 7.2$.

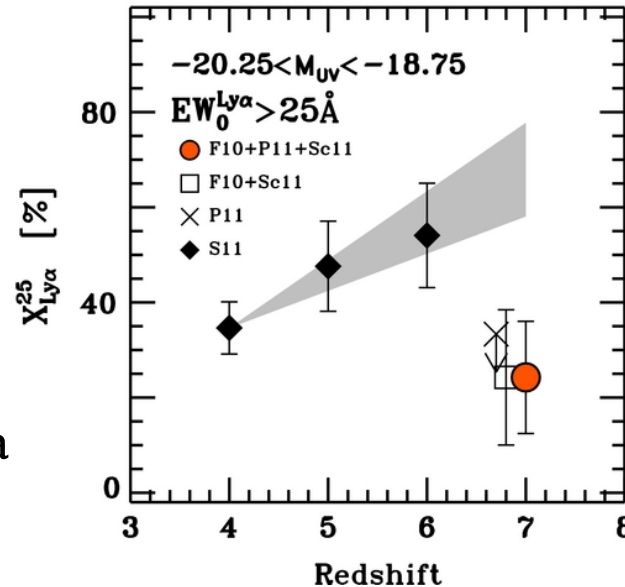
It is likely the combination of :

- a technology barrier (end of optical MOS, need for IR MOS)
- a sudden change in the properties of galaxies: **the first trace of reionization?**

We will need to detect the continuum of very faint galaxies (m27-28) with a low number density ($< 1/\text{arcmin}^2$)

Candidates will be accumulating slowly, we need to be able to observe them also after JWST era

We need follow up studies (kinematics) of the brightest confirmed galaxies.



@z=8
 H=29 ~ 1 galaxy/arcmin²
 H=28 ~ 0.5 galaxies/arcmin²
 H=27-27.5 ~ 0.12 galaxies/arcmin²

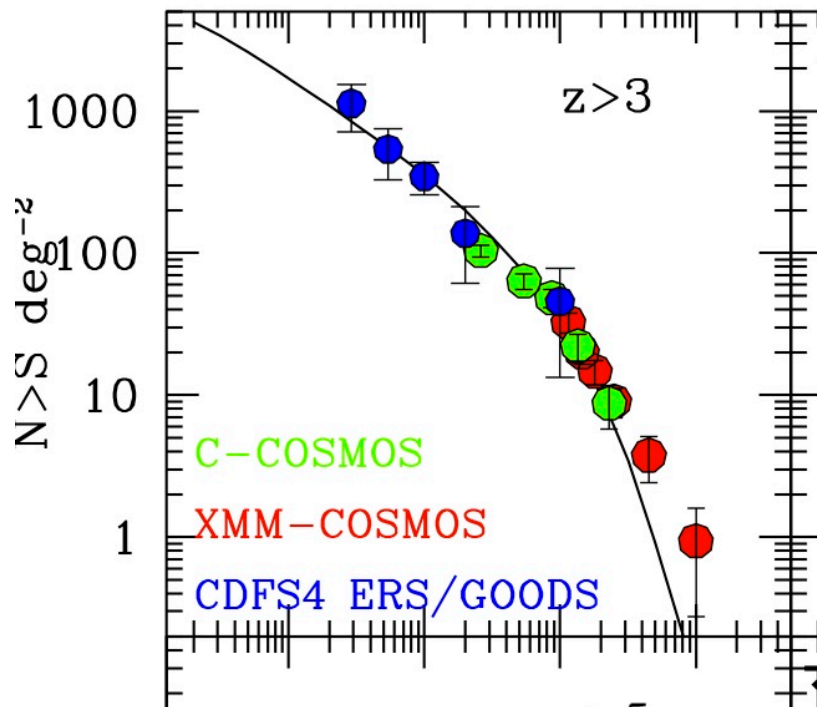
Ono+12
 Pentericci+11

2 . Detecting faint AGN at high redshifts: synergies with future X-ray facilities

Studying faint AGN at high redshift is essential to

1. Understand the evolution of the correlation between black hole masses and galaxies properties
2. Determining the contribution of AGN to cosmic reionization (as opposed to galaxies) and to the heating of the IGM and its effect on structure formation
3. Understand the formation of black hole seeds that eventually grow to form supermassive BH seen in bulges.
4. Investigate the physics of accretion at high redshifts

Predicted number densities at flux = 10^{-17}

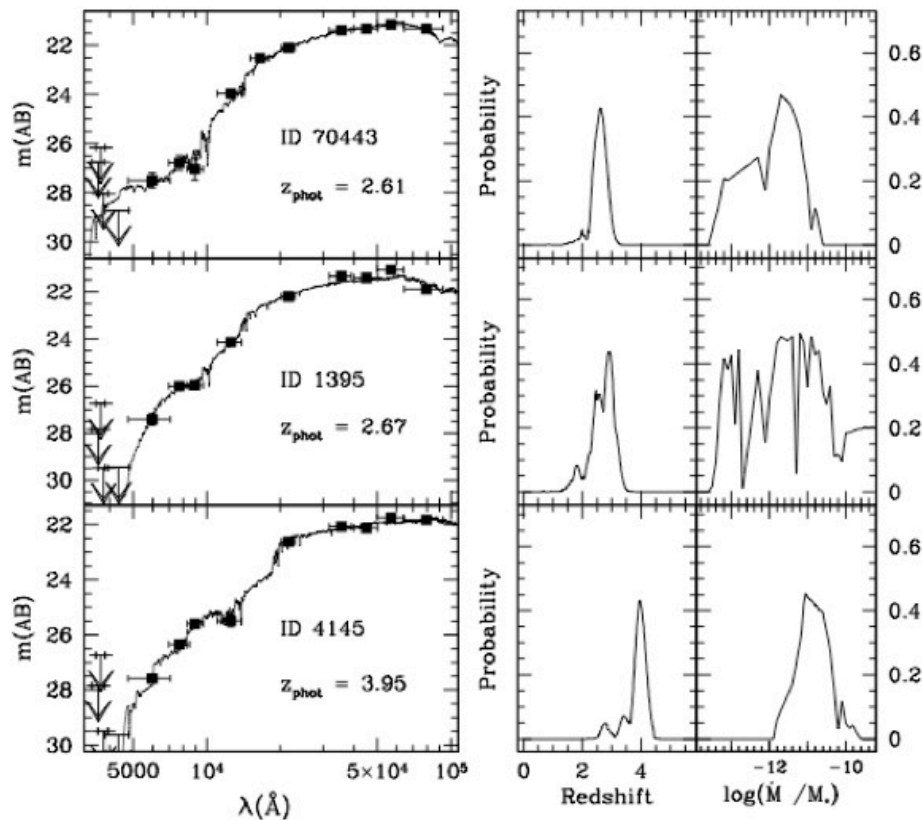


At a flux of 10^{-17} erg/s/cm² we expect
 ≈ 2000 AGN deg⁻² at redshift > 3
i.e. 0.5 arcmin⁻²

AGN with flux 10^{-17} erg/s/cm²
have predicted magnitudes
fainter than $H = 27$
E-ELT MOS is needed for
Spectroscopic observations!

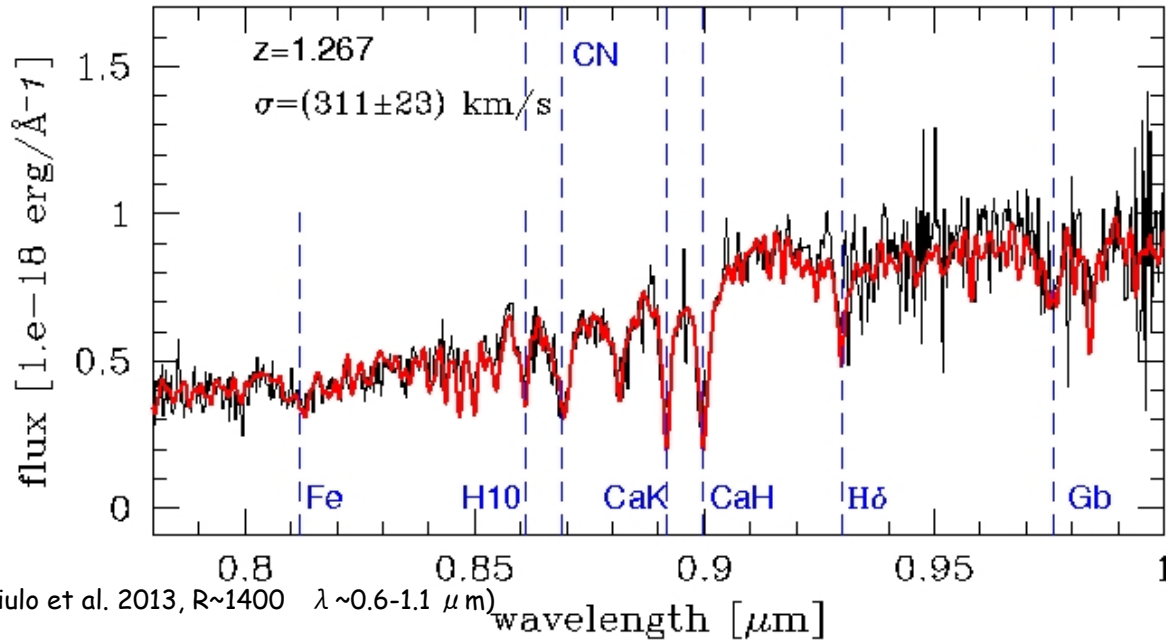
3. Massive quiescent galaxies at high redshift

- Contain the oldest stellar populations at high redshift
- Provide the most stringent constraints to galaxy formation models
- GMASS@VLT provided first exciting results at $z \leq 2$ with ultra deep VLT observations (Cimatti et al. 2008)
- Studies at $2 < z < 4$ are so far only based on photometric data



Examples of **red and dead galaxies at photo- $z > 2.5$ in GOODS-South** (Fontana et al. 2009)
Despite the excellent deep multi-wavelength data the basic properties of many galaxies remain uncertain

TODAY



$\sigma_v = 311 \pm 23 \text{ km/s}$

$R_e = 2.07 \text{ kpc}$

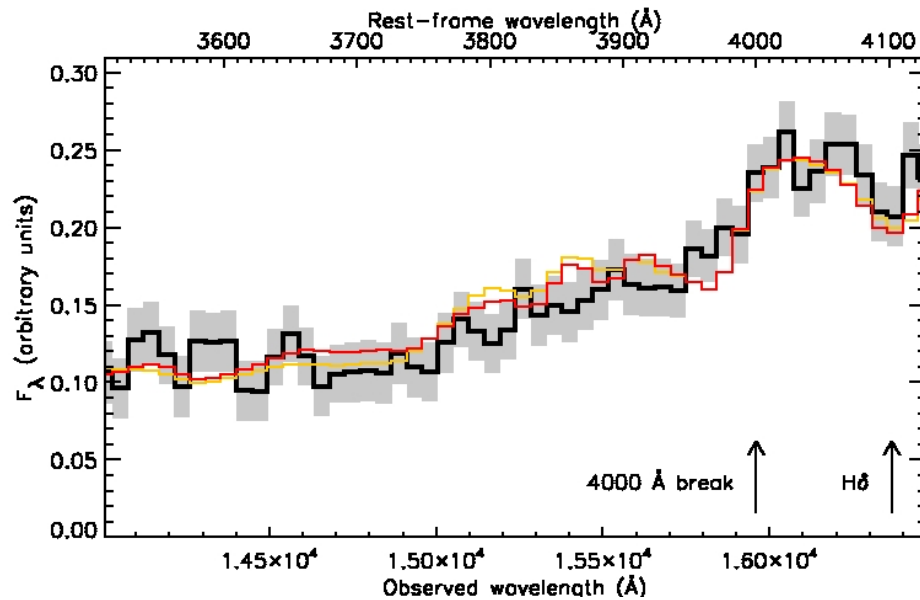
$M_* = 2.2 \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sol}}$

VLT-FORS2 obs, 8 hrs exposure, 4 ETGs

(Gobat et al. 2012)

$z\sim 3$ passive galaxy

HST WFC 3 spectrum
16 orbits



Quiescent (passively evolving) galaxies at $z > 2$

GOODS ($K \leq 25$)

8587 galaxies

1392 @ $z > 2.5$ (763 @ $z > 3$)

passive gal

43 @ $z > 2.5$ (14 @ $z > 3$)

Expected in a 5'X5' field

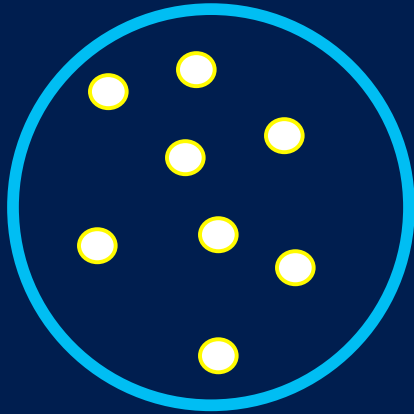
250 @ $z > 2.5$ (150 @ $z > 3$)

passive gal

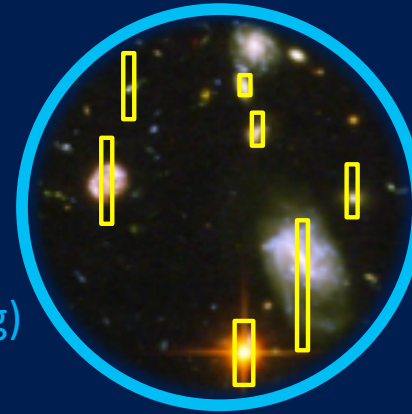
8 @ $z > 2.5$ (3 @ $z > 3$)

MOS approaches...

FIBERS (no imaging)



SLITS & MASKS



IFU (limited imaging)



Crucially, the T-rex team combines wide experience with slits (VIMOS) and is actively involved in the proposal of a fiber-fed spectrograph for VLT (MOONS).

Optical vs IR?

IR is scientifically preferred for:

- high redshift galaxies,
- kinematics and abundances of stellar populations,
- “easily” delivers diffraction limited resolution...

but optical is important for

- intermediate-z galaxies,
- strong metal lines in red giants
- hot stars (blue supergiant of external galaxies)
- beats JWST competition..

Bottom line: pushing toward a continuous coverage 0.37-1.6 μ m

Spectral Resolution:

- Abundances in nearby stellar systems calls for high resolution (>20.000)
- Kinematics of nearby stellar systems and extragalactic cases need R=4000-5000

Spatial Resolution:

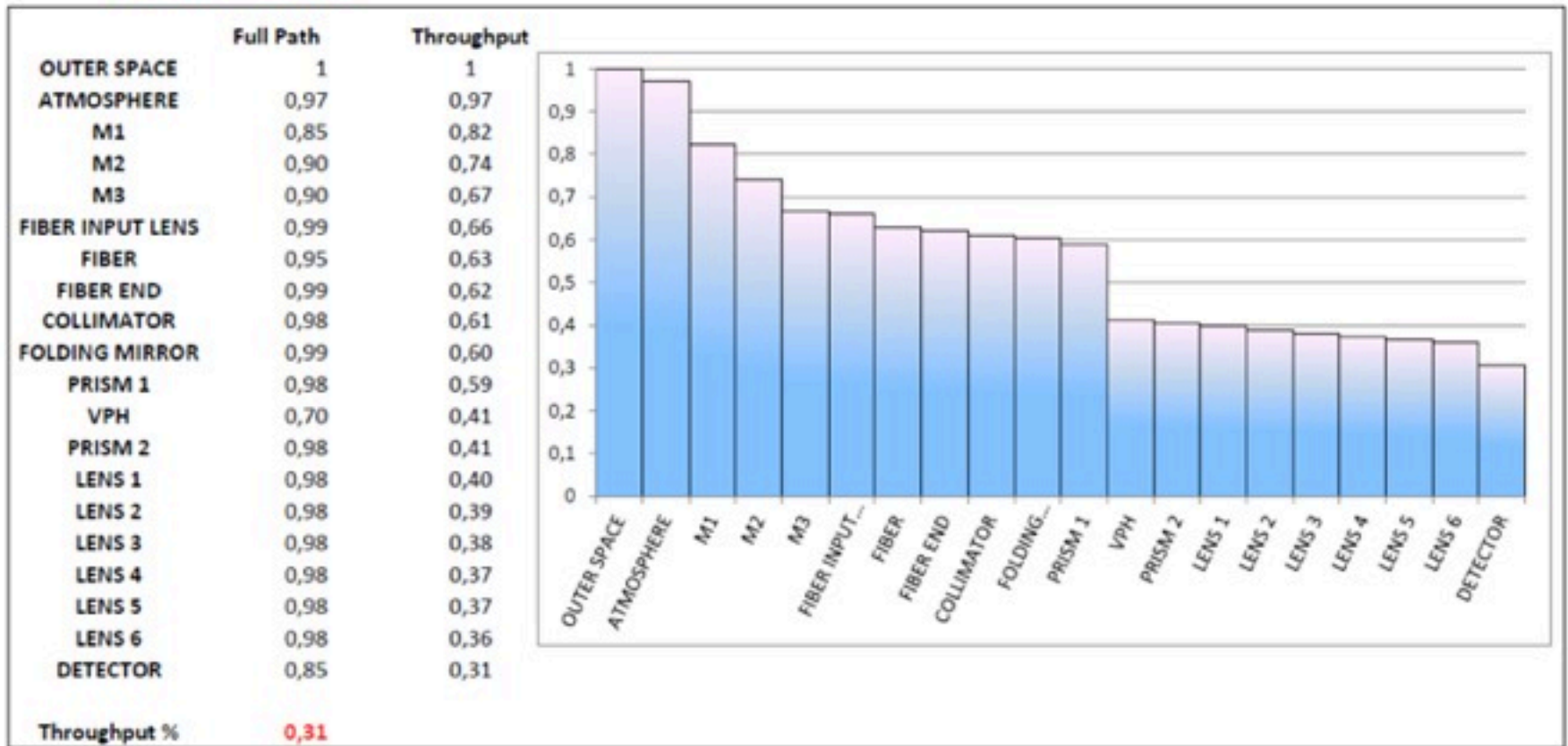
- Most stellar and all extragalactic cases are doable with moderate AO (seeing 0.3’')
- Some stellar cases would benefit from extreme AO (30mas scale)

Contribution to technical developments and studies:

- Overall design and construction (IASF-Mi, OAR, OAB)
- Positioners (OAR, IASF-Mi, OAPD)
- End2end simulations (OAR, OArcetri)

Second Stage: physical simulation of the optics

Optical budget



Output focal plane images

1 hour K20 Galaxy Survey in H mode ([asinh color scale](#))

