# A closer look at reionization sources Clustering, line emission and feedback

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# **Current knowledge on reionization**





- Timeline constrained from CMB + spectra (1)
- Favoured interpretation: IGM half neutral at  $z \sim 7$
- Patchy reionization favoured (2)
- UV emission from galaxies can explain reionization (3)



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- Is clustering responsible for line visibility and "patchiness"?

 Optical line emission in z~7 sources with and w/o Lya as a redshift and extreme fesc proxy

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- Ultra-faint, magnified galaxies in the Frontier Fields constrain the LF cut-off

# A space oddity at z~7: clustering?

In the overall paucity of Ly $\alpha$  lines, one line of sight with twin bright emitters among the 8 l.o.s. investigated in Pentericci+ 14

The BDF field hosts two close-by (4.4 proper Mpc) EW>50AA emitters. Their L<sub>UV</sub> cannot build a large enough HII region to explain line visibility (Vanzella+11).



# Faint z~7 LBGs in the BDF field



Previous Hawk-I data limited to Y~26.5.

Six new robust LBGs recovered at Y105~26.5-27.5 (at S/N>10)

$$(S/N(I_{814}) < 1) \land (I_{814} - Y_{105} > 2.2)$$
  

$$Y_{105} - (J + K) < 0.8$$
  

$$(S/N(Y_{105}) > 10) \land (S/N(V_{606})) < 1,$$

HST Cycle 22 program (PI MC) to look for surrounding, fainter LBGs.

#### 14 orbits with V606, I814, Y105.



### Faint z~7 LBGs in the BDF field



Stacking of the six new LBGs: V606 and I814 undetected at >30.2 mag, I814-Y105>3, S/N~2 detection in J+K.

 $Z_{phot}$ =6.95. Consistent with the objects being at the same *z* of the emitters

### The BDF region is overdense



Observed= 8 objects in two pointings. Expected ~1.8-2.9 objects.

No clustering around z~7 GOODS-S galaxies (objects lacking Ly $\alpha$  emission).

**The BDF field is 3-4x overdense wrt average**: consistent with a positive relation between line visibility and galaxy density as in *inside-out reionization scenarios.* (e.g. McQuinn+ 07, Wyithe&Loeb 07, Dayal+ 09).

# Galaxy density drives reionization





- Relation between density and HI fraction
   LAE pairs live in overdense regions with
- BDF analogs are reionized, overdense bubbles



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- First connection between density and ionized fraction (i.e. Ly $\alpha$  visibility)



# FIRST OBSERVATIONAL SUPPORT FOR OVERLAPPING REIONIZED BUBBLES GENERATED BY A GALAXY OVERDENSITY

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### A closer look at z~7 sources: optical line emission



Known evidence for high-EW [OIII]+Hβ lines from IRAC colors at z~6.5-7 (Labbe et al. 2013, Wilkins et al. 2013, Smit et al. 2014)

Good redshift indicator: <u>we can check</u> <u>reliability of LBGs lacking Lyα</u> <u>confirmation.</u>



EW(Lyα)<9A from 52hrs FORS2 spectrum

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An extreme escape fraction can erase the Ly $\alpha$  line, what about other lines?



#### a) Em. lines disappear when fesc $\rightarrow$ 1

#### b) Strong high ionization lines

Nakajima&Ouchi 2014: high [OIII]/[OII] see also Stasinska et al 2015 D. Schaerer and S. De Barros talks

$$L_{lines} \sim (1-f_{esc}) \times Q_i$$



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Stacking of targets in UDS and GOODS fields (deep IRAC available): Ly $\alpha$  undetected sources 6.4<z<sub>phot</sub><7.0; Ly $\alpha$  detected sources 6.4<z<7.0



Consistent with positive evolution with redshift (Smit et al. 2014)

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Still preliminary....

#### **Conclusions**:

- Ubiquitous evidence for strong optical line emission: no difference between  $Ly\alpha$  detected and undetected objects.

- No likely massive escape fraction from ionization bounded nebulae.

- Only with JWST we can fully constrain the presence of <u>density</u> <u>bounded HII regions (e.g. Zackrisson</u> et al. 2013, Nakajima&Ouchi 2014, De Barros+ 2015)

- Possible  $f_{esc}$  increase <u>combined</u> with IGM HI increase (Dijkstra et al. 2014)

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The LF cut-off (feedback due to UV background) affects the number counts of highly magnified sources We can probe the cut-off of the LF thanks to the Frontier Fields survey

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From ASTRODEEP catalogues of A2744 and MACS0416



Comparison between Yue&Ferrara model and observed counts All lensing models used to build a global likelihood minimizing systematics

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# A closer look at reionization sources: summary

#### **Clustering & IGM patchiness**

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#### Optical line emission & $\mbox{Ly}\alpha$ emission

 Ubiquitous evidence for strong optical line emission: no difference between Lyα detected and undetected objects.
 Ongoing analysis of deeper IRAC data.

#### LF cut-off & feedback

 First constraints Vc<40-50 Km/s on the cut-off circular velocity at z>5 from number counts of highly magnified FF galaxies.



