

# Outline

- Go over problems 9.5 and 9.6
- Other ways to find high  $z$  galaxies
- Gravitational lensing
- Starburst galaxies
  - Extremely red objects (EROs)
  - Sub-mm galaxies
- Lyman  $\alpha$  systems

# Hubble ultra-deep field



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- How can one go deeper than HST?

Abell 2218  
HST WFPC2 ACS



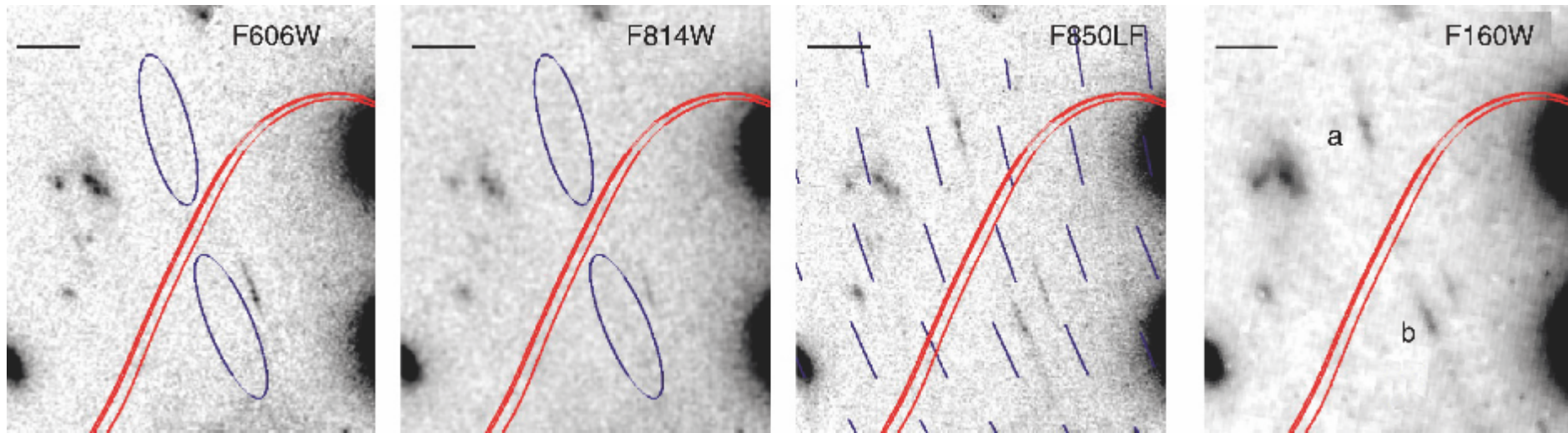
200,000 light-years

70,000 parsecs      21"

At the distance of Abell 2218  
2 billion light-years or  
600 million parsecs



# Gravitational lenses



- High  $z$  galaxies observed tend to be at the high end of luminosity distribution.
- Feasible to get spectra for  $L^*$  galaxies to  $z \sim 3$ .
- Gravitational lensing can magnify by factors  $> 5$ .
- Factor of 5 flux increase leads to decrease in exposure by factor of 25.
- Galaxy shown here is magnified by a factor  $\sim 25$ .

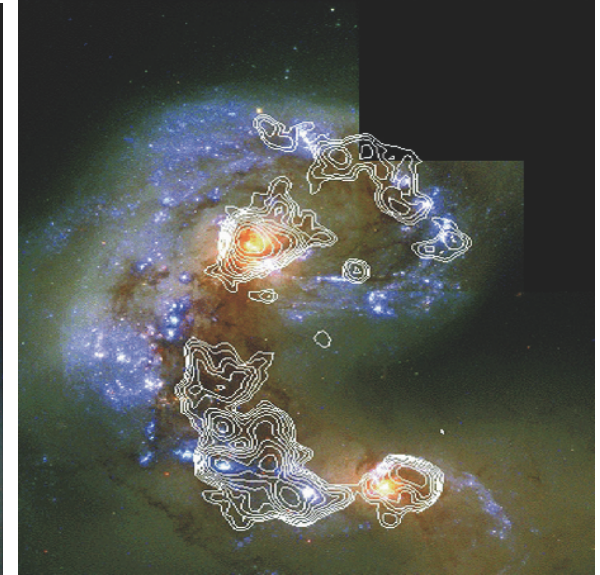
# Starburst galaxies



Optical



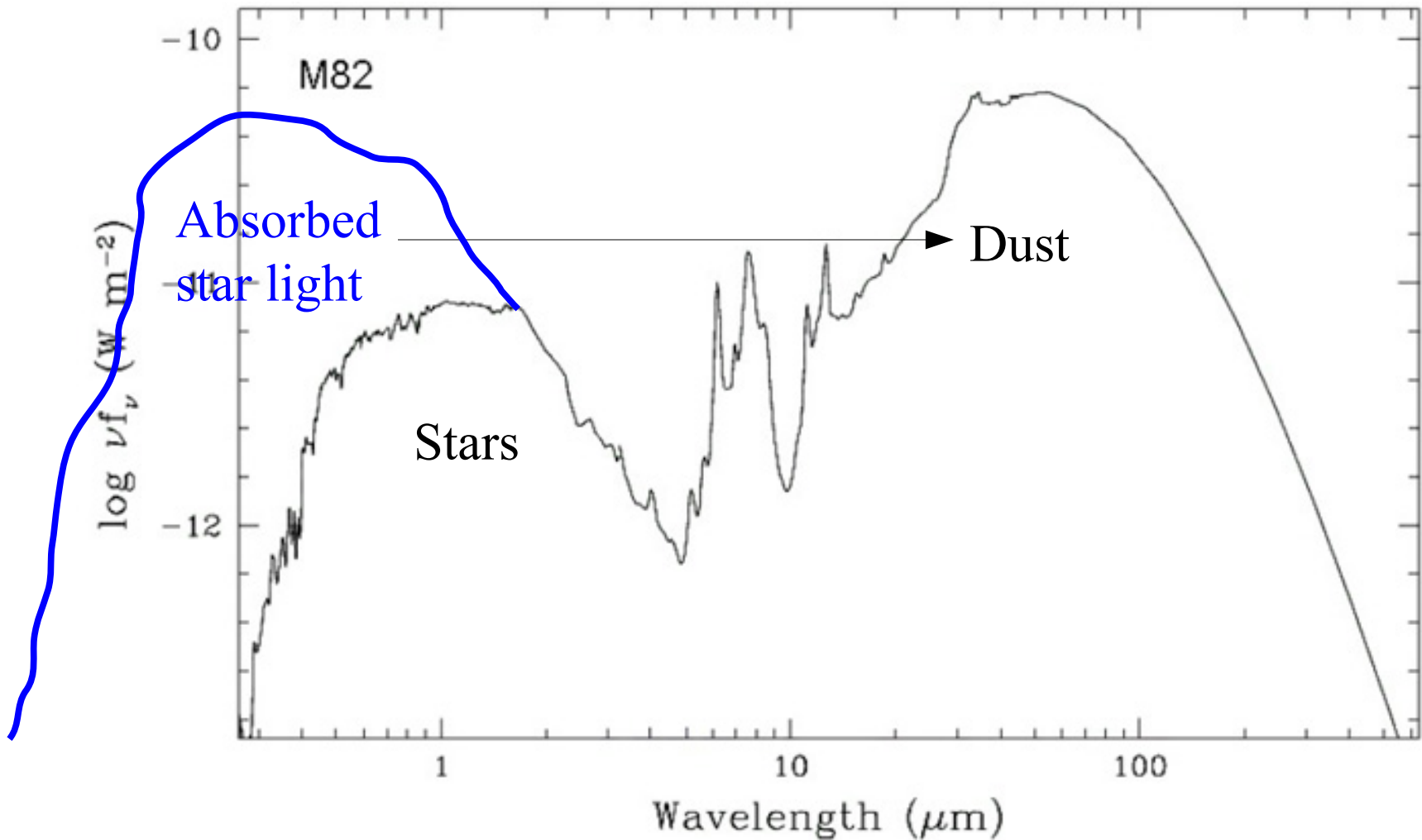
Red = H $\alpha$



Contours = IR

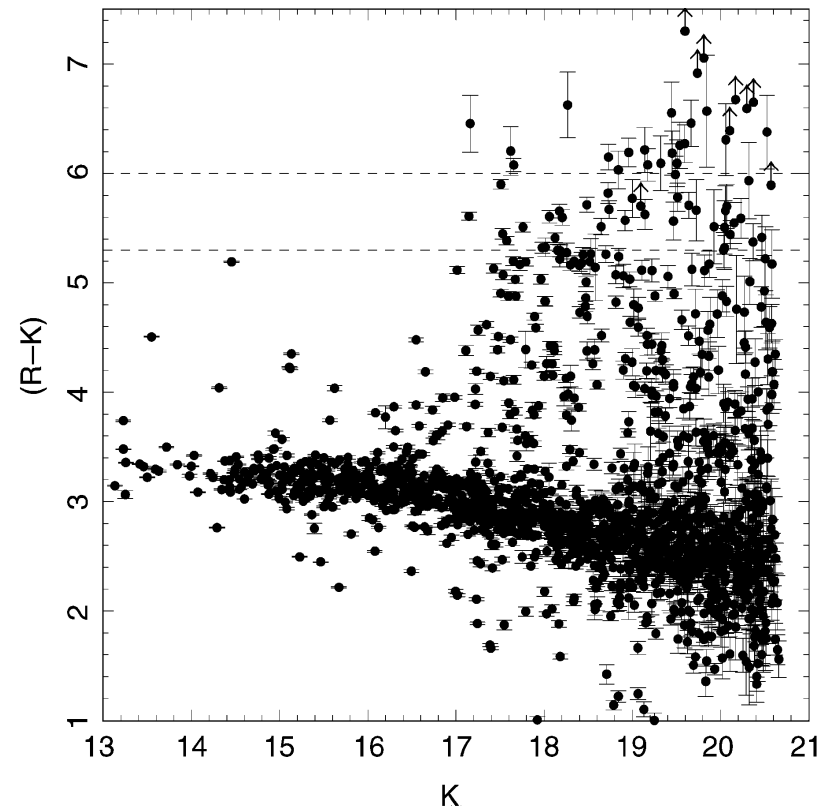
- Images of Antennae galaxies – interacting and starburst
- Young stars 5-10 Myr, also an older population 100-500 Myr
- Active star formation in regions of high gas and dust density
- UV/blue radiation reprocessed into IR

# Spectral energy distribution of M82



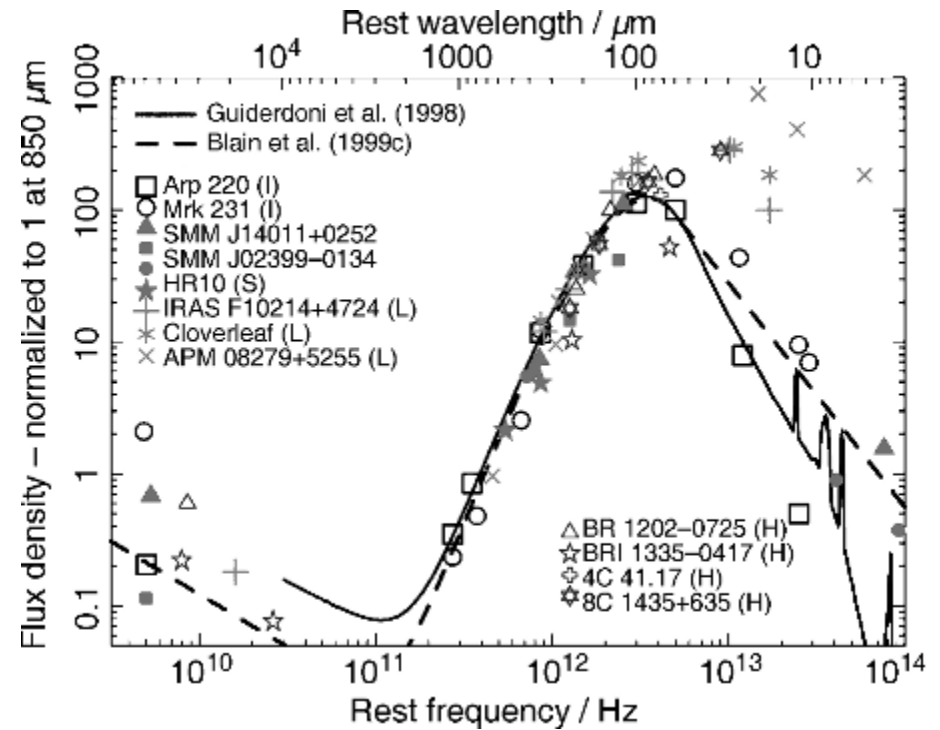
Absorbed star light heats dust clouds that radiate in the IR

# Extremely red objects (EROs)



- NIR surveys reveal EROs, dim objects with  $R-K > 5$ . ( $K = 2.2 \mu\text{m}$ ).
- Half are elliptical galaxies with  $4000 \text{ \AA}$  break between R and K.
  - Galaxies are at  $z \sim 1$  and have old stellar populations that formed at  $z > 2.5$ .
- Half are star-forming galaxies with star formation enshrouded by gas and dust
  - Star formation confirmed by radio and [OII] line emission
  - Ultraluminous infrared galaxies (ULIRGs) at  $\sim 1$

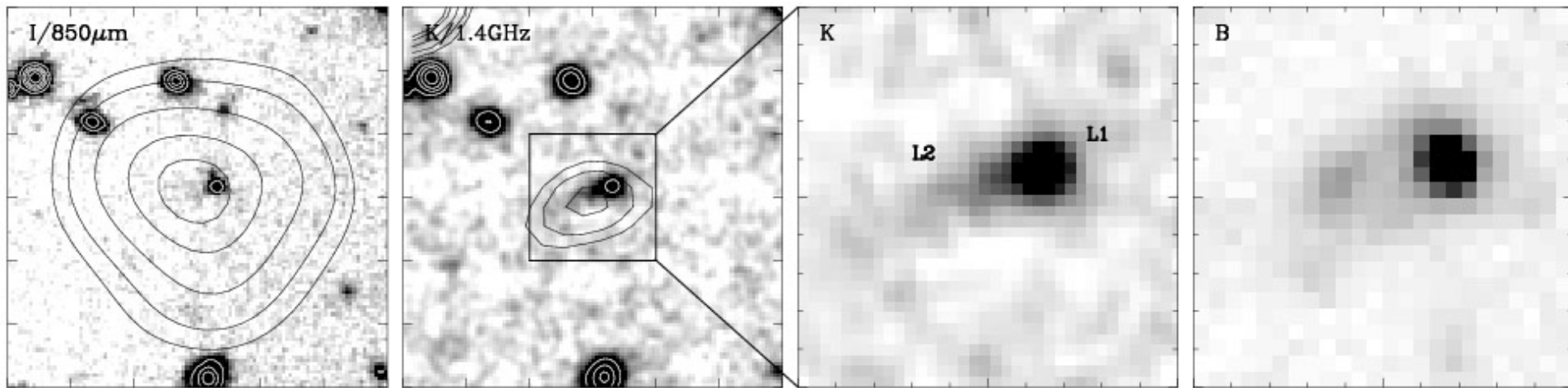
# Sub-mm galaxies



- Sub-mm telescopes (SCUBA) operating at 0.4-1.3 mm mainly see dust at 20-40 K.
- Spectrum  $S_\nu \sim \nu^{2+\beta}$  with  $1 < \beta < 2$ . Redshift increases rest-frame  $\nu$  and increasing spectrum leads to a higher luminosity density for sources at higher redshift.
- For  $z_{\text{max}} > z > 1$ , flux stays constant or increases.
- What sets  $z_{\text{max}}$ ? For dust at 40 K and  $\lambda \sim 0.85$  mm,  $z_{\text{max}} \sim 8$ .
- Luminosity function  $N(>S) \sim S^{-1.1}$ .

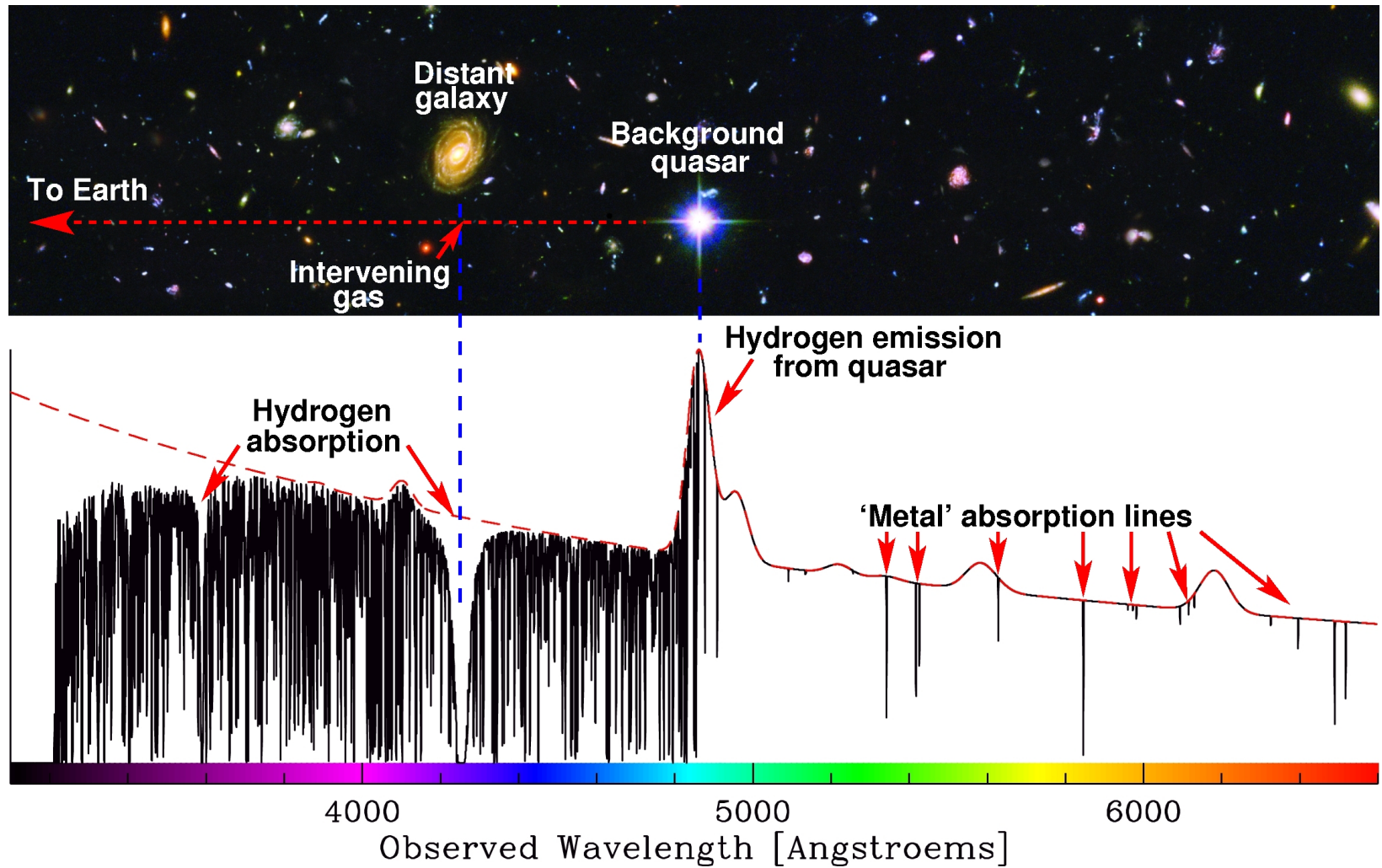


# Sub-mm galaxies



- SCUBA positions good to  $\sim 15''$  making optical identification difficult.
- Counterparts identified in radio with VLA (1.4 GHz,  $1''$ ) and then in optical.
- Redshifts from optical or a sort of photo- $z$  from radio/sub-mm flux ratio.
- Median  $z \sim 2.5$ . Galaxy masses  $\sim 10^{11} M_{\text{Sun}} \sim 10\times$  mass of LBGs.
- From mass, number density, and optical morphology, sub-mm galaxies are thought to be ellipticals in the process of formation.
- Many sub-mm have AGN revealed in X-rays, but X-ray/sub-mm ratio is low suggesting galaxies are dominated by star formation.

# QSO absorption lines



- Gas within quasars or in gas clouds or galaxies between us the and quasar can produce absorption lines.

# Lyman $\alpha$ systems

- Damped Ly  $\alpha$  systems defined as Ly  $\alpha$  absorbers with  $N_{\text{H}} > 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ .
- Most of the neutral hydrogen visible in quasar absorption lines is in DLAs.
- At current time, neutral hydrogen in damped is 1/3 of hydrogen in stars.
- DLAs have low metallicity, 0.1 solar, suggesting little star formation.
- Line profiles suggest DLAs are disks rotating with speeds  $\sim 200 \text{ km/s}$ .
  - May be spiral galaxies or proto-spirals
- Amount of gas in DLAs with  $z < 1.5$  is comparable to HI in local galaxies.
  - Suggests DLAs are gas rich galaxies
  - Nearby DLAs also seen in emission, appear to be normal galaxies
- Amount of gas in DLAs at high  $z$  is  $2\times$  larger than HI in galaxies.
  - A few high  $z$  DLAs seen in emission
  - Unclear if galaxies or proto-spirals
- Lyman  $\alpha$  blobs are extended,  $\sim 100 \text{ kpc}$ , systems seen in Ly  $\alpha$  emission
  - Could be misaligned quasars, star-forming galaxies, and/or gas accreted into dark matter halos

# Homework

For next class: problems 9.7