

nJy Science II: The Star Formation History of the Universe

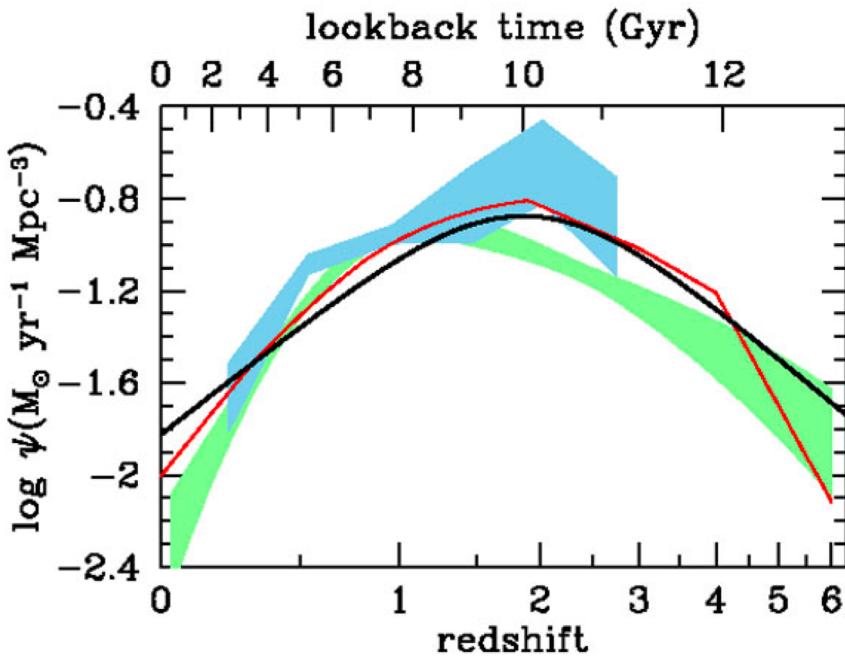
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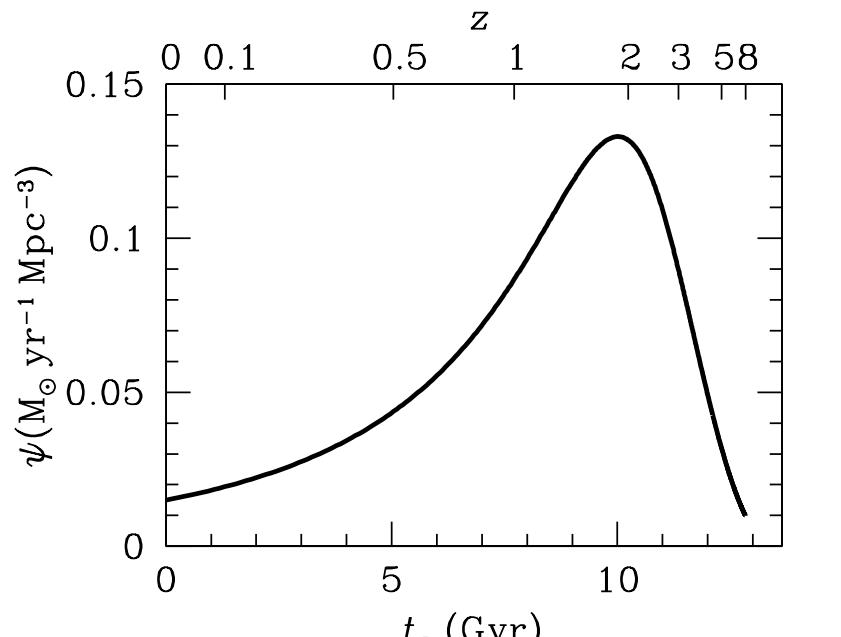
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Star formation and SMBH growth

- ~91% of all stars (by mass) were formed since $z \sim 3$.
- Assuming no evolution, 80% of the star formation (by mass) over all redshifts was created by sources with $S \gtrsim 0.25 \mu\text{Jy}$.



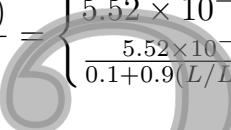
Madau & Dickinson (2014)



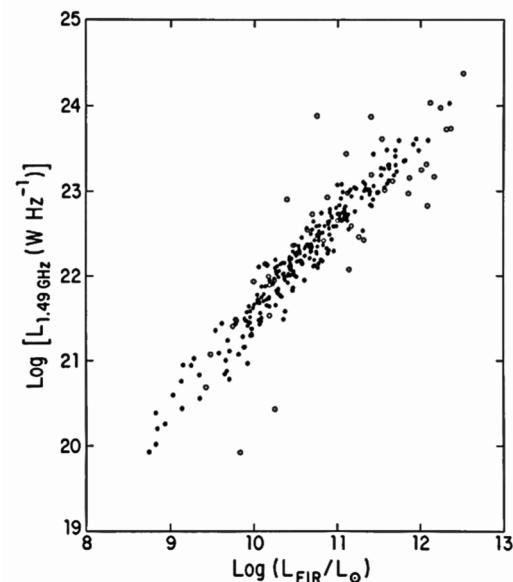
CM (2018), PASP, 130, 073001

Radio luminosity and star formation

$$\frac{\text{SFR}(M > 0.1 M_{\odot})}{M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}} = \kappa \left(\frac{L_{1.4 \text{ GHz}}}{\text{W Hz}^{-1}} \right) \quad (\kappa = 10^{-21})$$


$$\frac{\text{SFR}(M > 0.1 M_{\odot})}{M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}} = \begin{cases} 5.52 \times 10^{-22} L_{1.4 \text{ GHz}} & L > L_C, \\ \frac{5.52 \times 10^{-22}}{0.1 + 0.9(L/L_C)^{0.3}} L_{1.4 \text{ GHz}} & L \leq L_C \end{cases}$$
$$\frac{\text{SFR}(M > 0.1 M_{\odot})}{M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}} \sim 5.64^{+81}_{-5.3} \times 10^{-32} \left(\frac{L_{1.4 \text{ GHz}}}{\text{erg Hz}^{-1}} \right) \times \left(\frac{U_{\text{rad}}}{\text{erg cm}^{-3}} \right)^{-0.316 \pm 0.102}$$
$$\frac{\text{SFR}(M > 0.1 M_{\odot})}{M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}} \approx 1.20 \times 10^{-21} \left(\frac{L_{1.4 \text{ GHz}}}{\text{W Hz}^{-1}} \right)$$

Synchrotron radiation from
relativistic electrons accelerated
in supernova remnants.

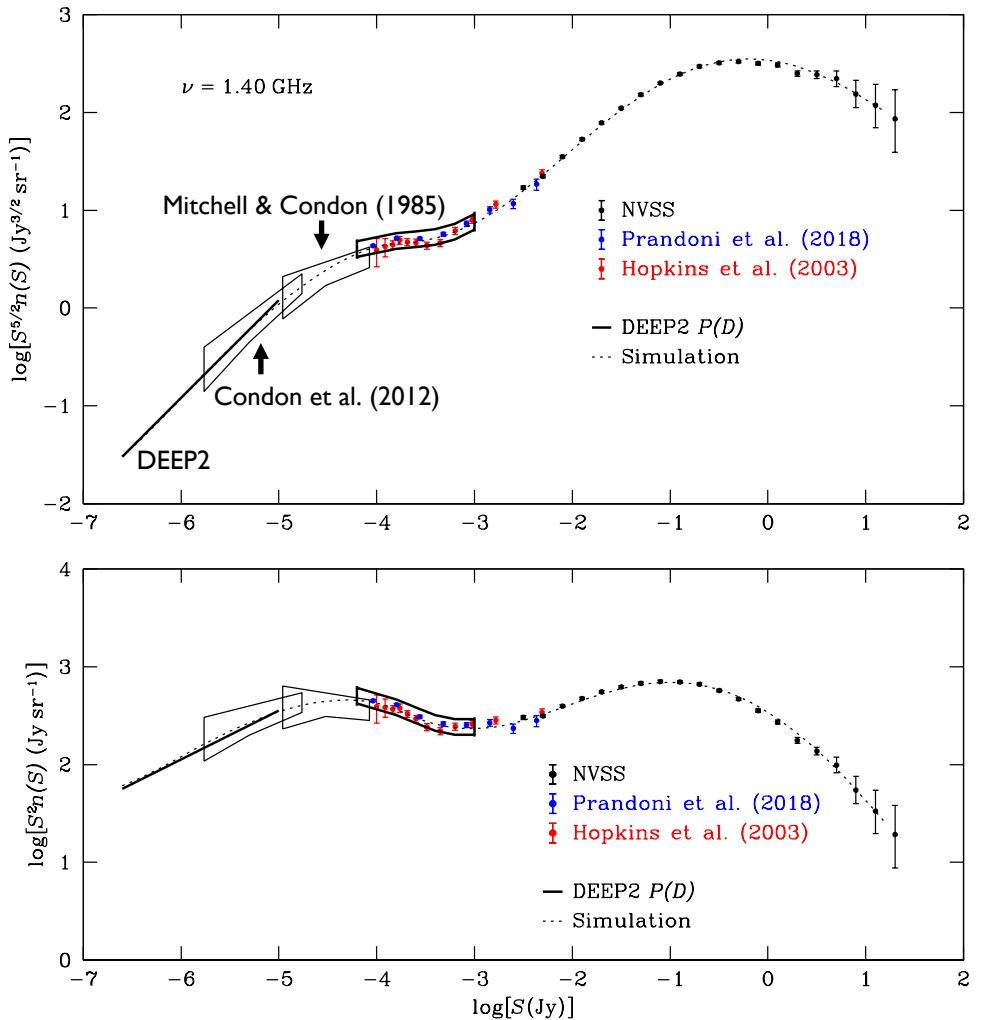


Bell (2003), Murphy+ (2011), Condon (1992)

Condon, J. J., Anderson, M. L., & Helou, G. (1991)

Radio source counts

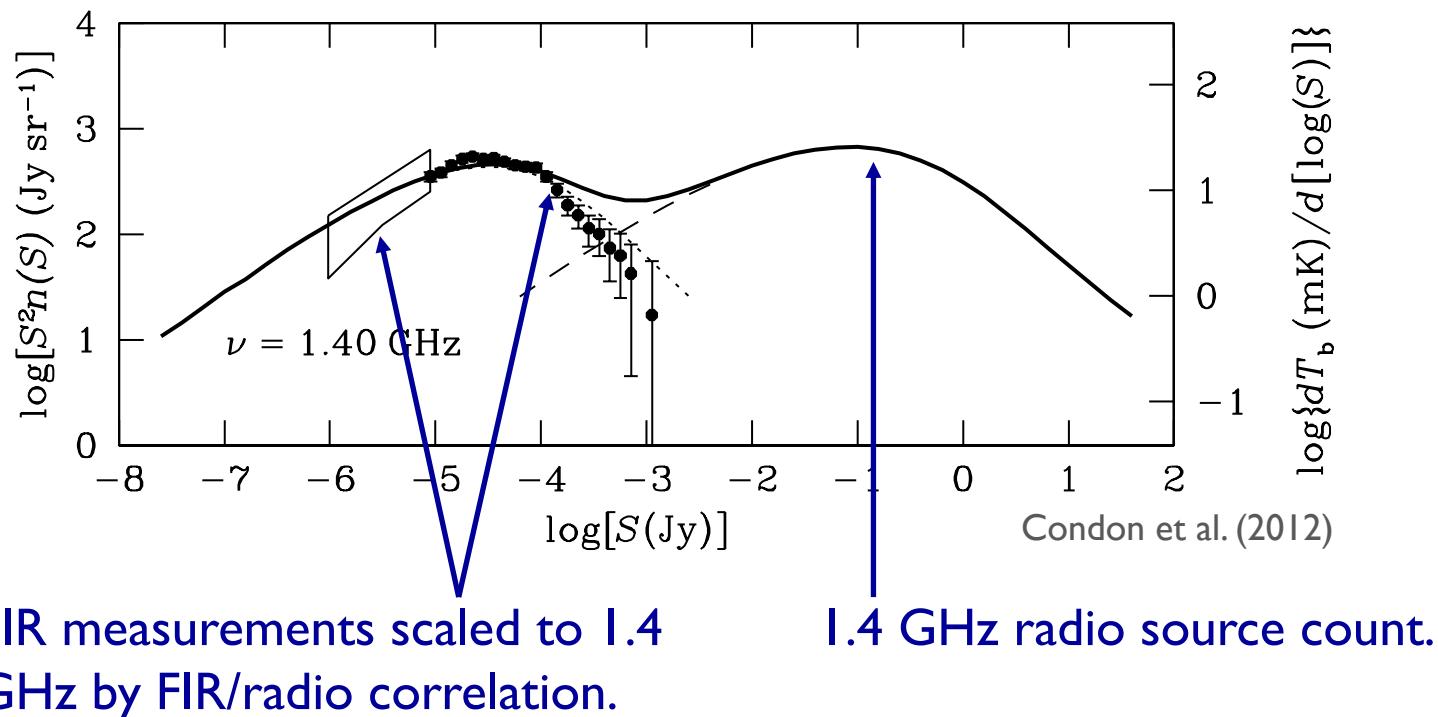
- κ does not alter determination of evolutionary models of the SFRD by comparisons of local radio luminosity functions with radio source counts.



Mauch et al. (2019, in prep)

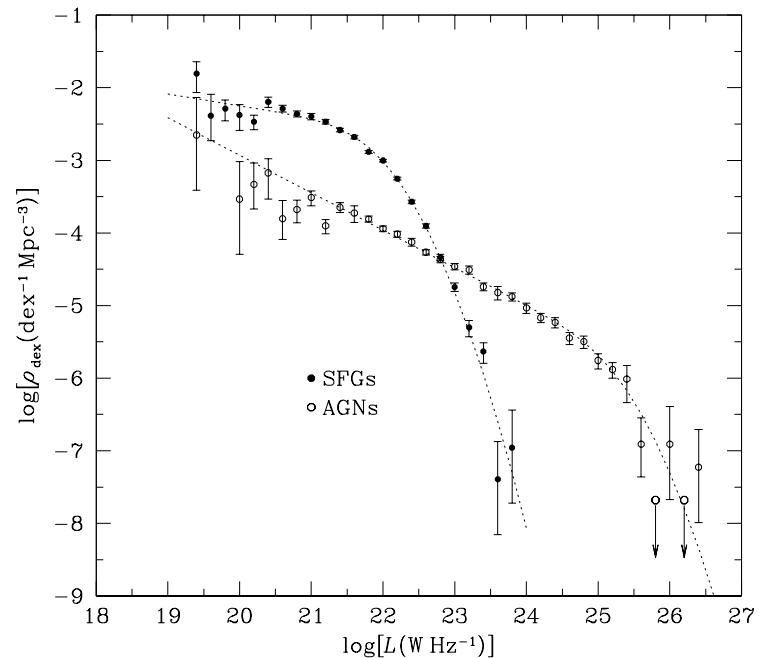
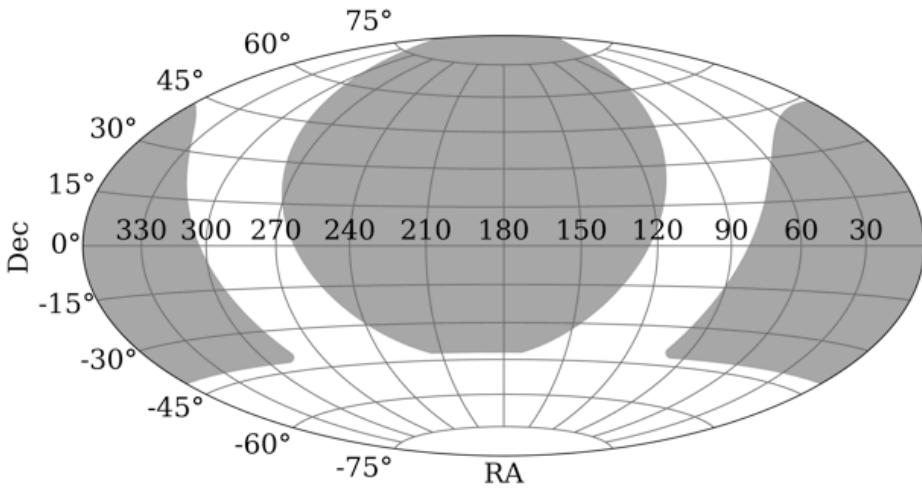
μ Jy sources

- SFGs outnumber AGN by an order-of-magnitude.



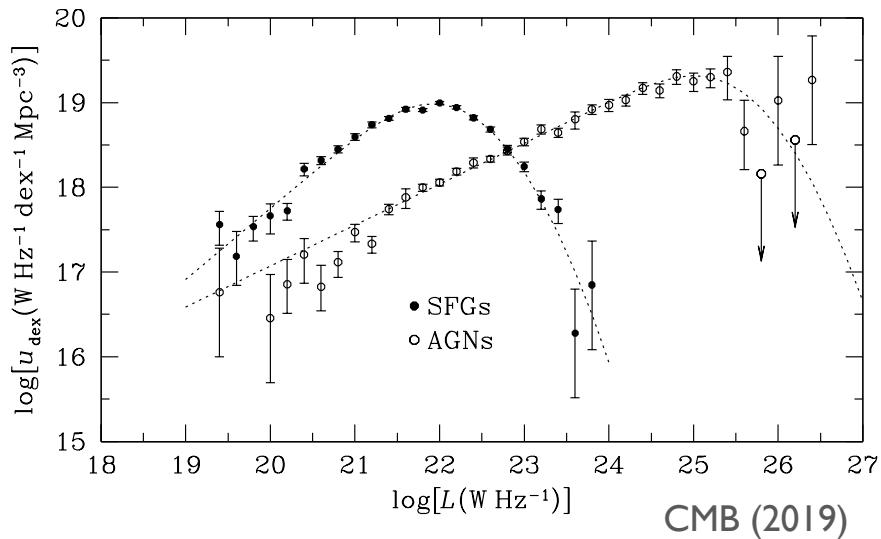
Measuring the local radio LF

- 9517 NVSS sources cross-identified with 2MASS with spectroscopically measured redshifts.
- Detected >99% of the total power output from local SFGs.



CMB (2019), ApJ, 872, 148C

Local radio LF → Source Counts



$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{dex}}(L_\nu|z) &= L \rho(L_\nu|z) \frac{dL}{d \log L} \\ &= L_\nu^2 \rho(L_\nu|z) \ln(10) \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta(S, z) = \rho(L_\nu|z) dL_\nu dV_C$$

$$S^2 \eta(S, z) = L_\nu^2 \rho(L_\nu|z) \left[\frac{(1+z)^{\alpha-1} D_{H_0}}{4\pi E(z)} \right]$$

$$S^2 \eta(S, z) = U_{\text{dex}}(L_\nu|z) \left[\frac{(1+z)^{\alpha-1} D_{H_0}}{4\pi \ln(10) E(z)} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} S^2 n(S) &= \frac{D_{H_0}}{4\pi \ln(10)} \\ &\times \int_0^\infty U_{\text{dex}}(L_\nu|z) \left[\frac{(1+z)^{\alpha-1}}{E(z)} \right] dz \end{aligned}$$

*Calculations from CM (2018), PASP, 130, 073001

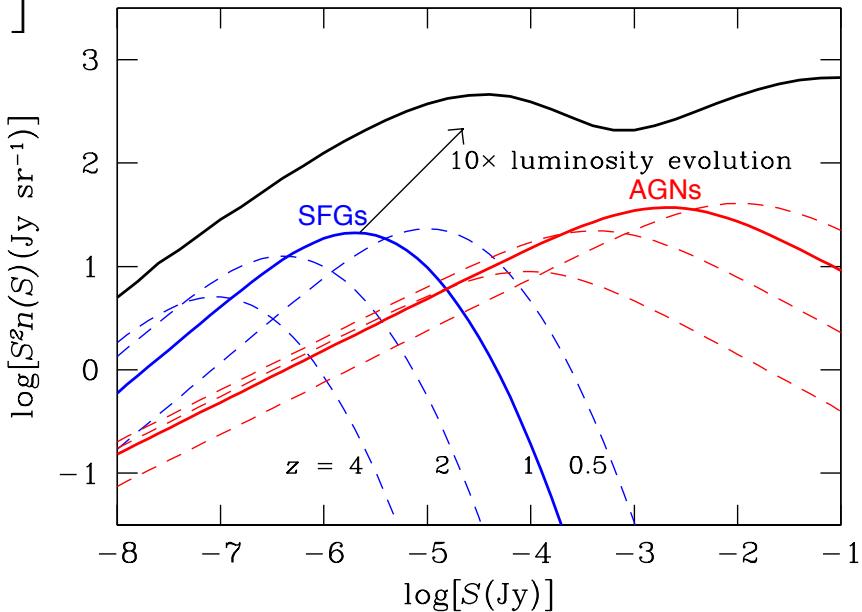
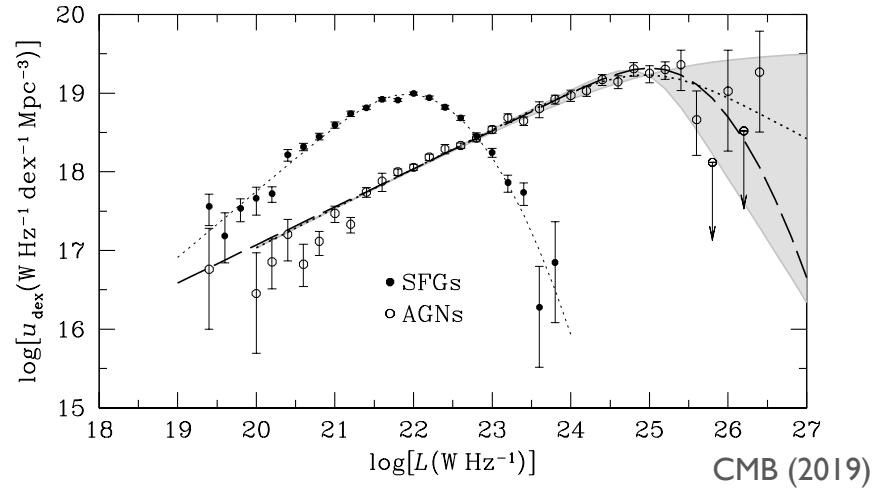
Local radio LF → Source Counts

- Counts are exactly the same shape as U_{dex} in narrow-redshift-ranges.

$$S^2 \eta(S, z) = U_{\text{dex}}(L_\nu | z) \left[\frac{(1+z)^{\alpha-1} D_{\text{H}_0}}{4\pi \ln(10) E(z)} \right]$$

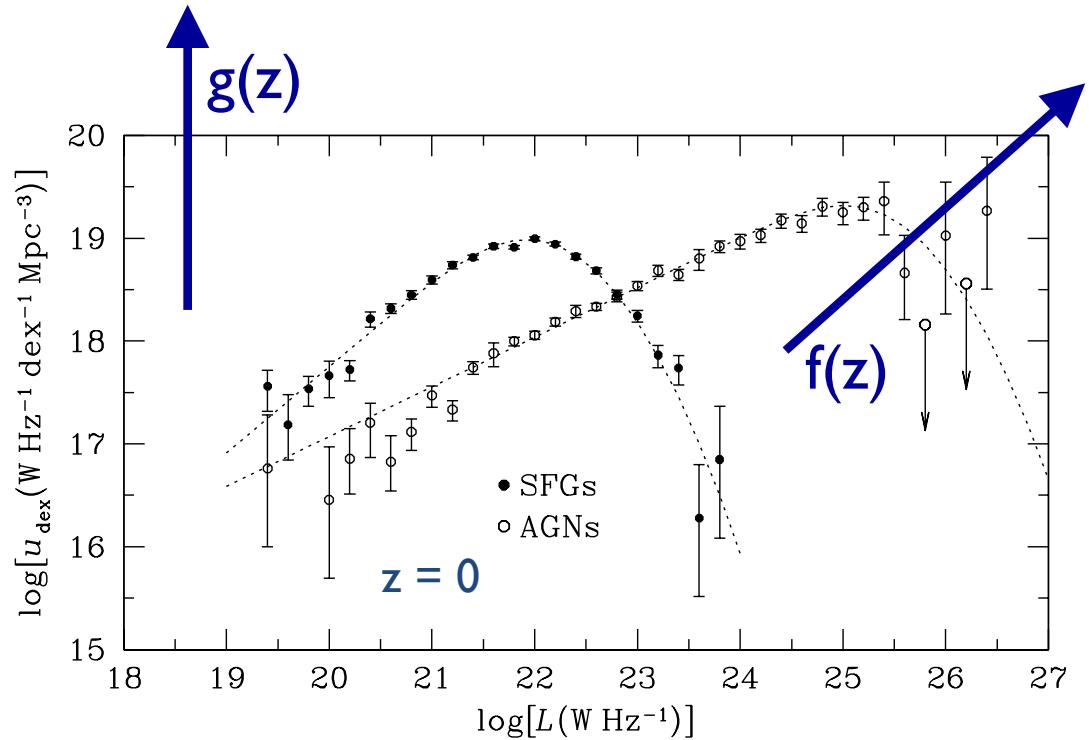
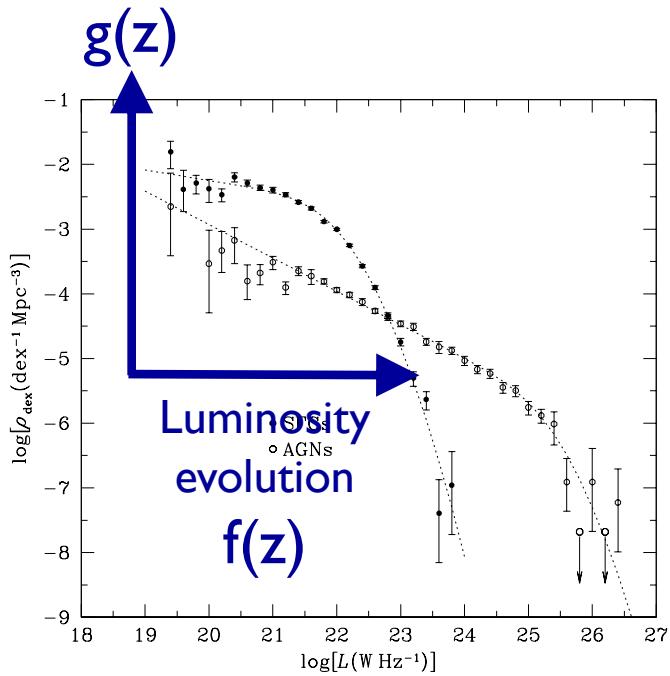


- Depends only on distance.



Evolving the local radio LF

Density evolution

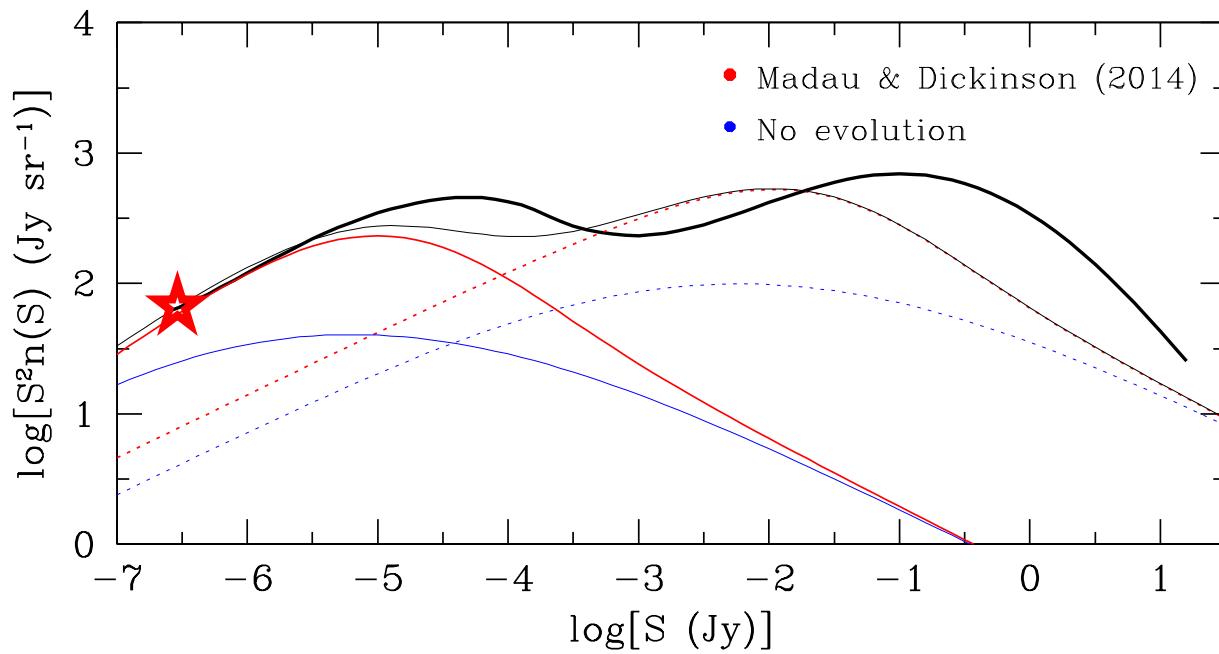


$$\rho_{\text{dex}}(L_\nu, z) = g(z) \rho_{\text{dex}}(L_\nu / f(z), z = 0)$$

Madau and Dickinson SFRD Model

$$\frac{\psi(z)}{\psi(0)} = \frac{(1+z)^{2.7}}{1 + [(1+z)/2.9]^{5.6}}$$

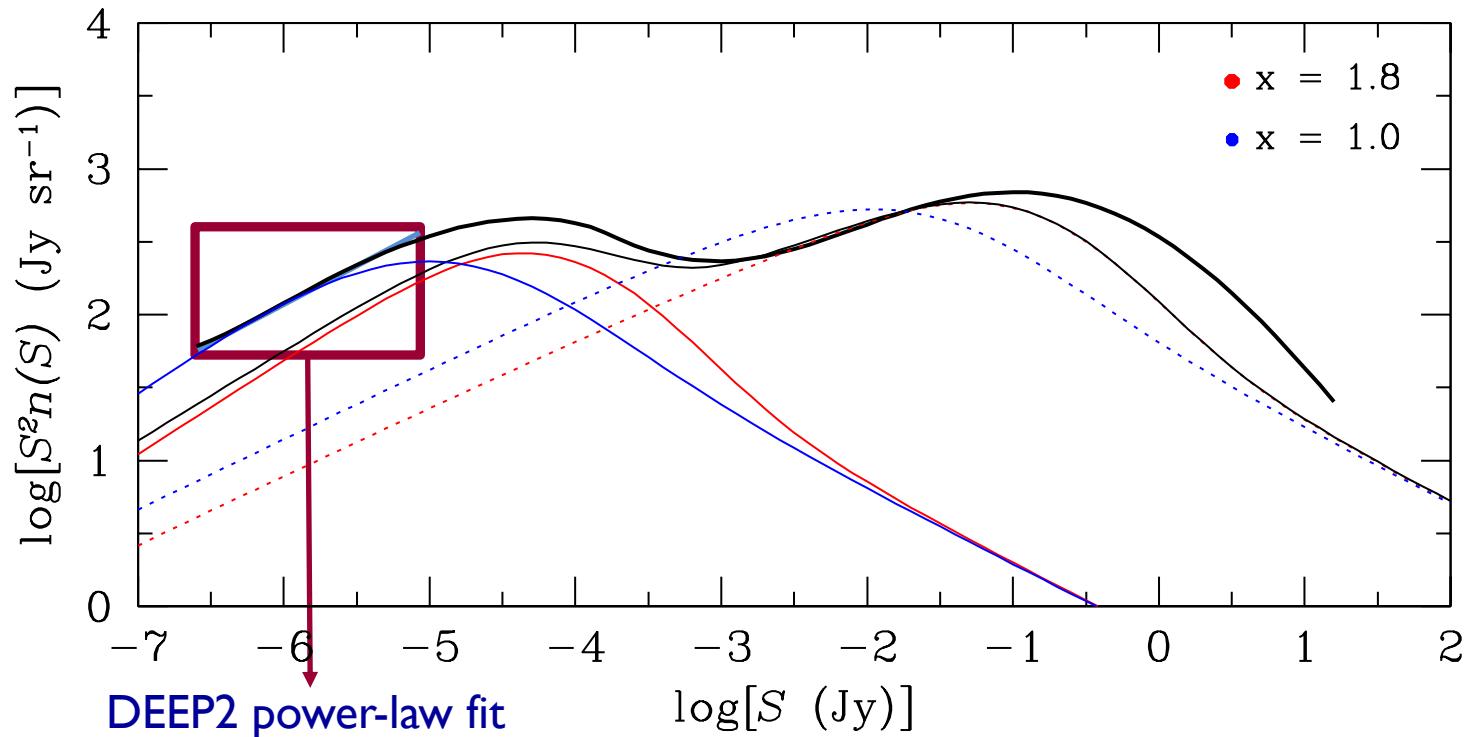
(Assuming pure luminosity evolution)



★ Milky Way at $z \sim 4$ with 10X luminosity evolution

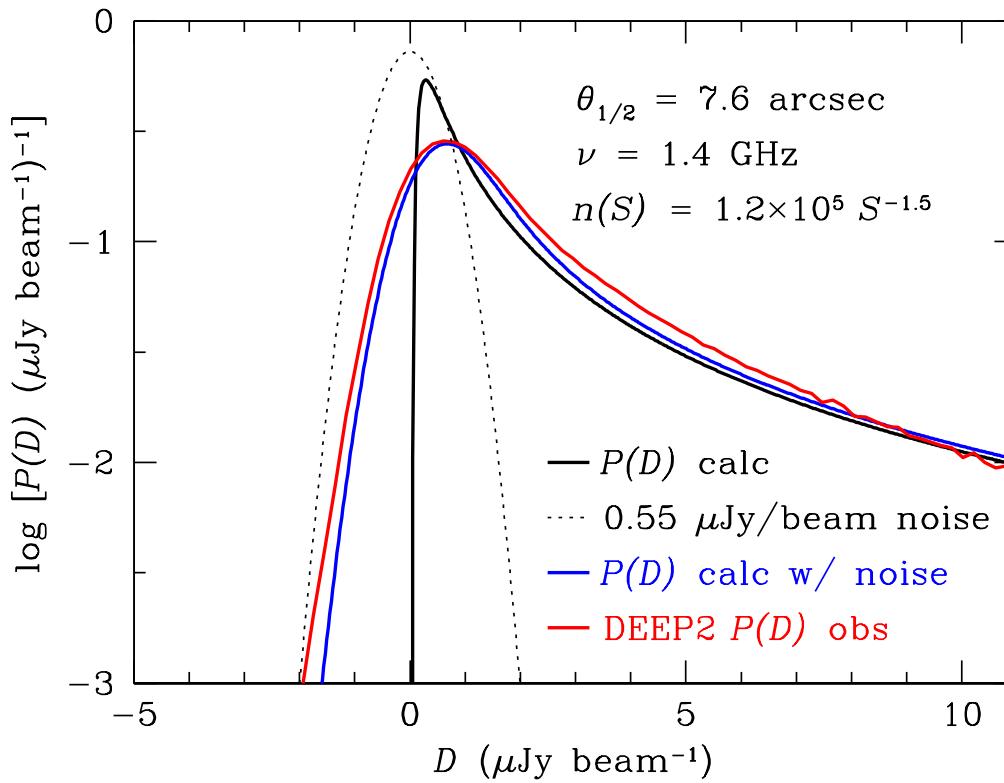
Adding density evolution

$$\frac{\psi(z)}{\psi(0)} = f(z) \times g(z) \longrightarrow f(z) = \left(\frac{\psi(z)}{\psi(0)} \right)^x, \quad g(z) = \left(\frac{\psi(z)}{\psi(0)} \right)^{1-x}$$



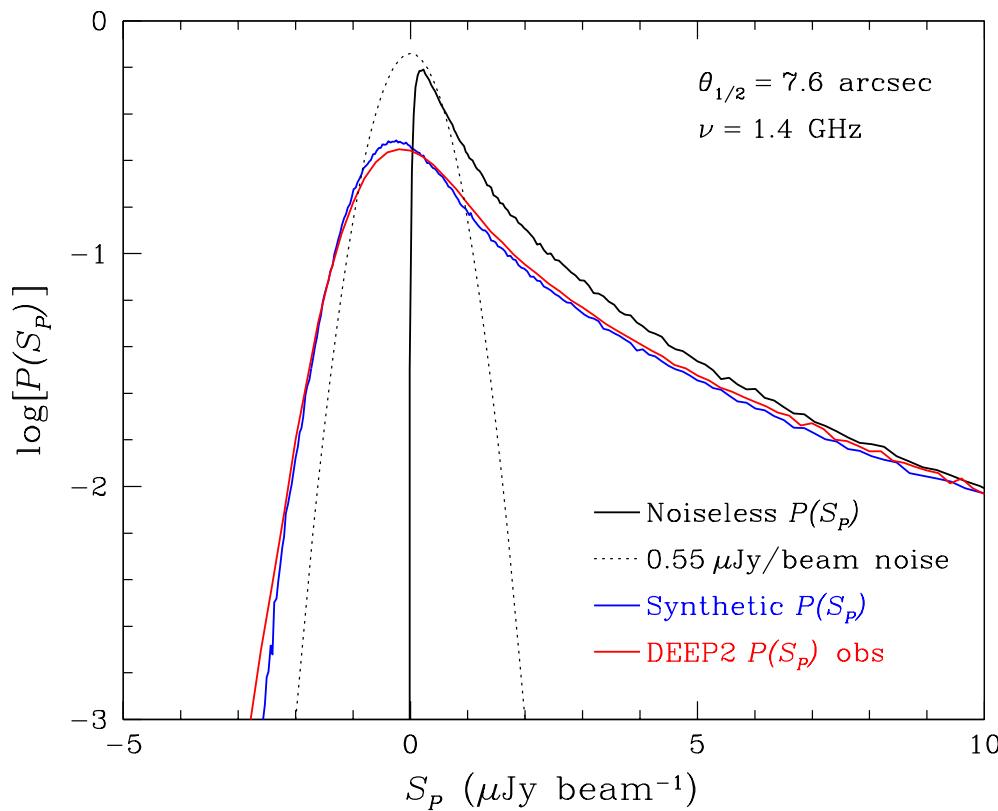
Beyond a power-law

- $n(S)$ does not follow a power-law, so cannot analytically derive $P(D)$.
 - Simulate synthetic image from measured $n(S)$.

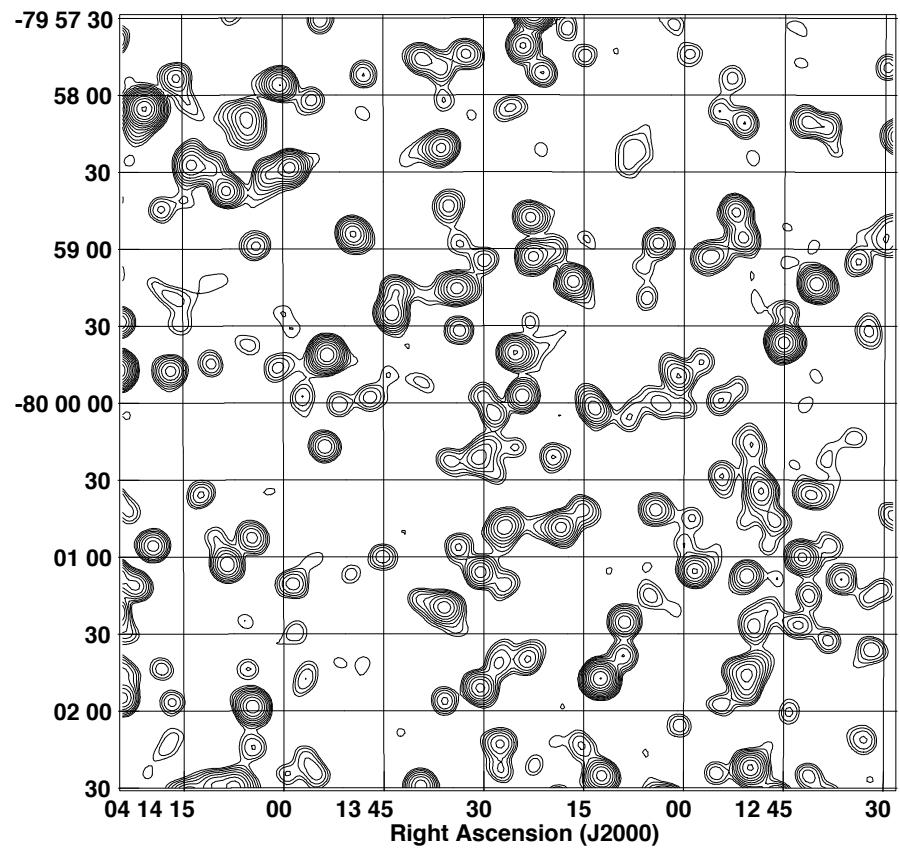
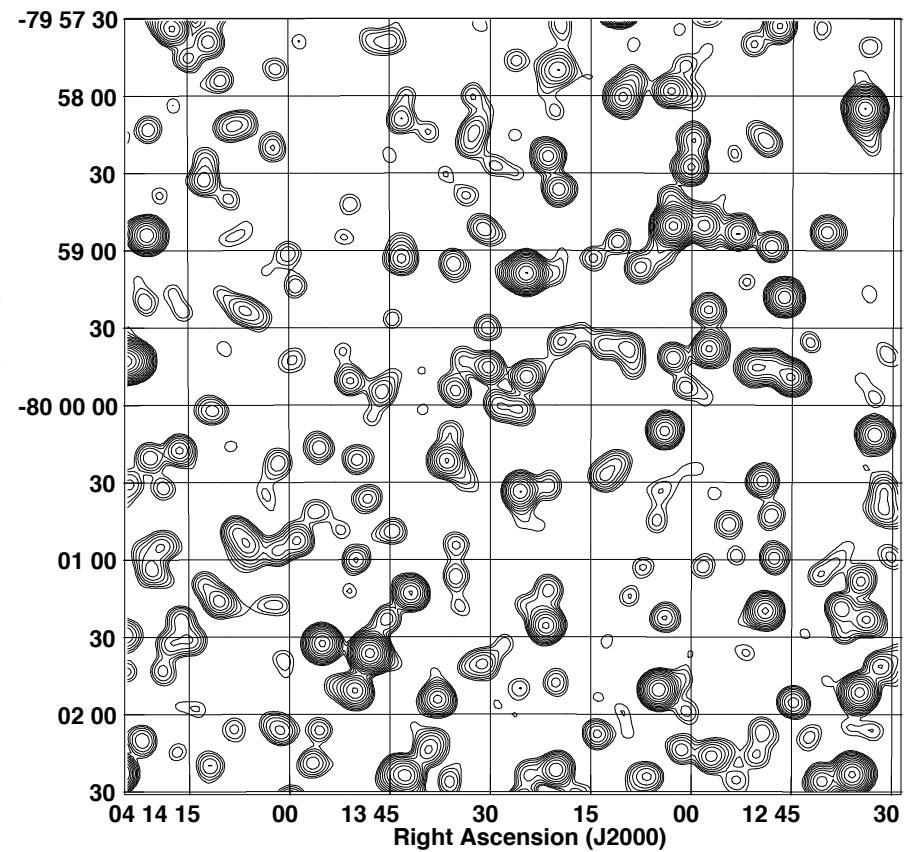


P(D) distribution from simulation

- Simulate P(D) distributions for non power-law source counts.



Synthetic Image



What DEEP2 does for SFH

- Differential source counts $n(S)$ down to $\sim 0.25 \mu\text{Jy}$.
- Sources with $S \gtrsim 0.25 \mu\text{Jy}$ (assuming no evolution) account for $\sim 80\%$ of the star formation (by mass) in the universe.
- Model the cosmic evolution of the SFRD using $n(S)$ and LRLF.

