# Lyα Blob as a probe of Galaxy Formation

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# Why LABs?

-Extended in Lyα
-Faint/Compact in UV
-> LABs

LABs found with current detection limits

Projenitors of massive galaxies

Gas cooling

Initial starburst

Superwind

very young phases (age <<10<sup>7</sup> yrs)

LBGs, DRGs, etc.

# LAB studies in the past

- Large velocity widths: superwinds? (e.g., Bower+04; Matsuda+05)
- High detection rate in NIR: stellar-massive? (e.g., Uchimoto+08)
- High detection rate in sub-mm & MIR: dusty starburst?

(e.g., Geach+05; Colbert+07)

# LAB studies in the past

• Large velocity widths: superwinds?

Most follow-up studies are made for LABs in protoclusters!

HOW ABOUT ISOLATED LABs??

(e.g., Geach+05; Collert+07)

Unbiased surveys are quite essential

### Unbiased --- How?

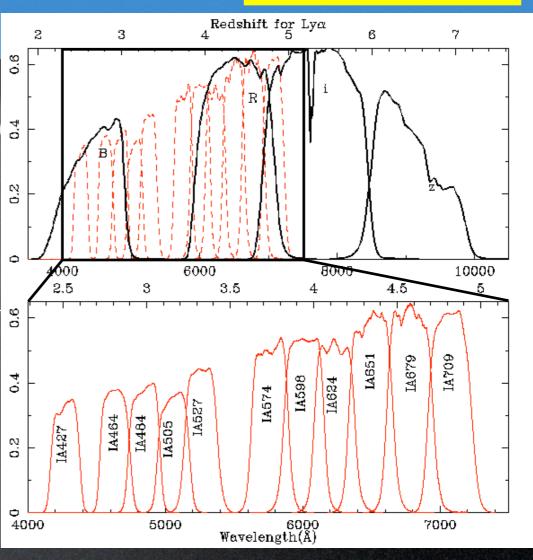
- RARE
  - (-) Need for large survey volume
- DIFFUSE
  - (-) Need for large correcting area
- LARGE EW
  - (+)Large narrow-band excess is expected

### Unbiased --- How?

• RARE

#### Subaru + Suprime-Cam + IA filters

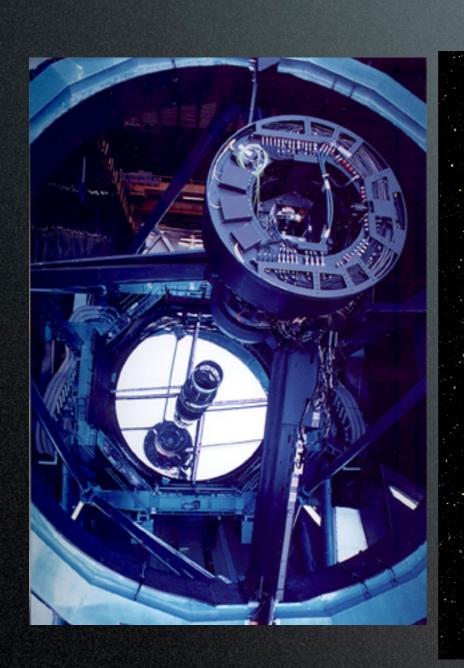
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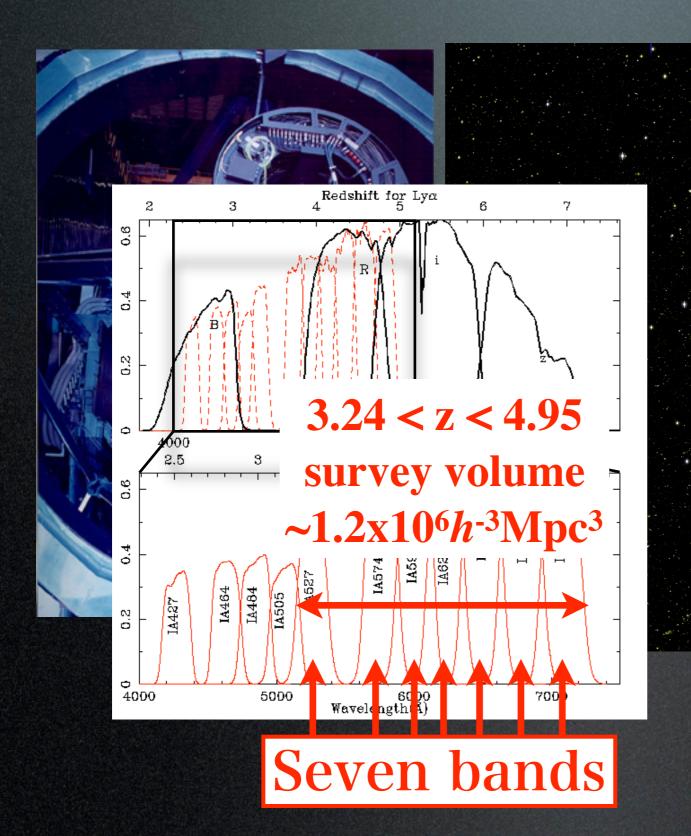
# The deep sample (z~3-5)



- Field: SXDF-S (~900 arcmin²)
- Redshift coverage:
- 3.24 < z < 4.95
- $3\sigma$  limiting mags for IA:

26.5-26.8 mag (AB)

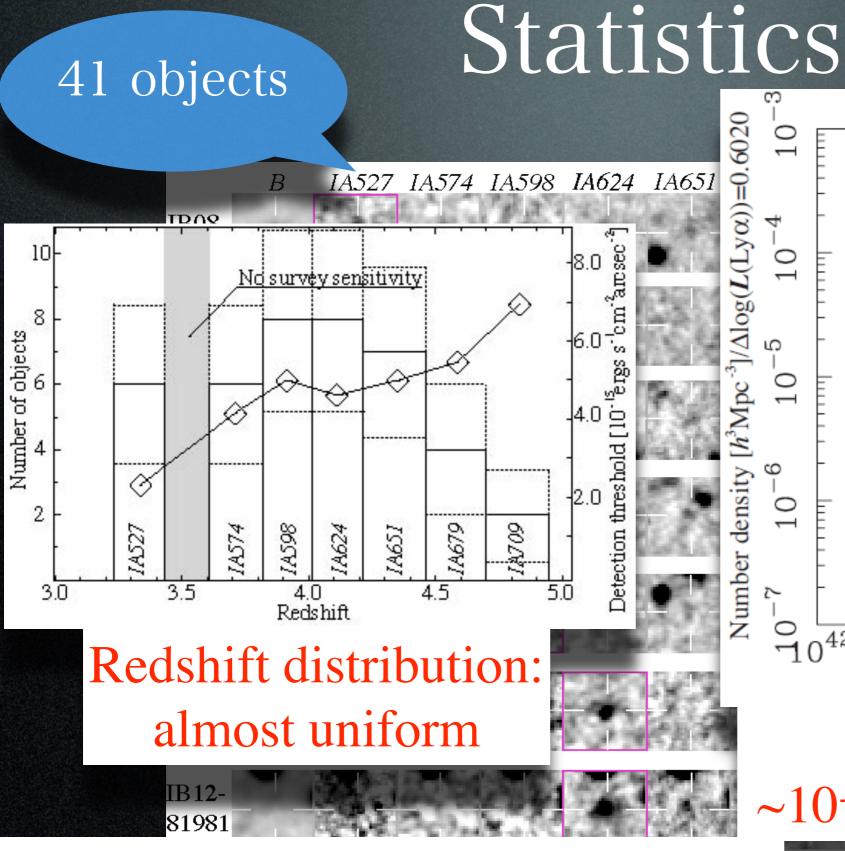
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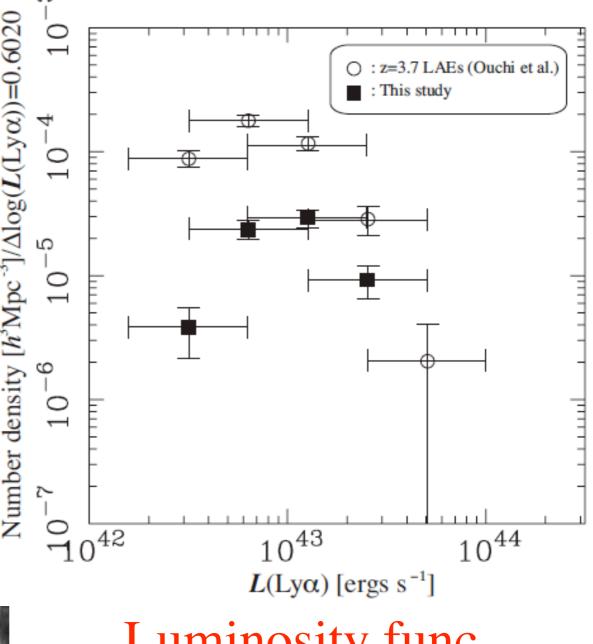


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41 Objects





Luminosity func. ~10<sup>-1</sup>-10<sup>-2</sup> times the LAEs

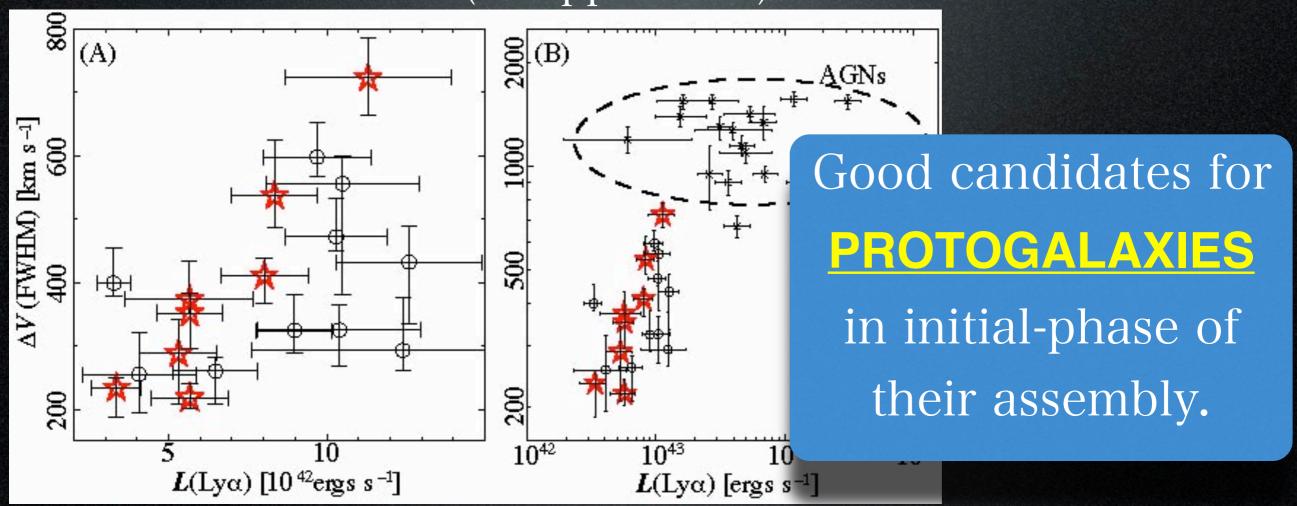
No clear signatures of overdensity

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Saito et al. 2006 & 2008

# Follow-up studies

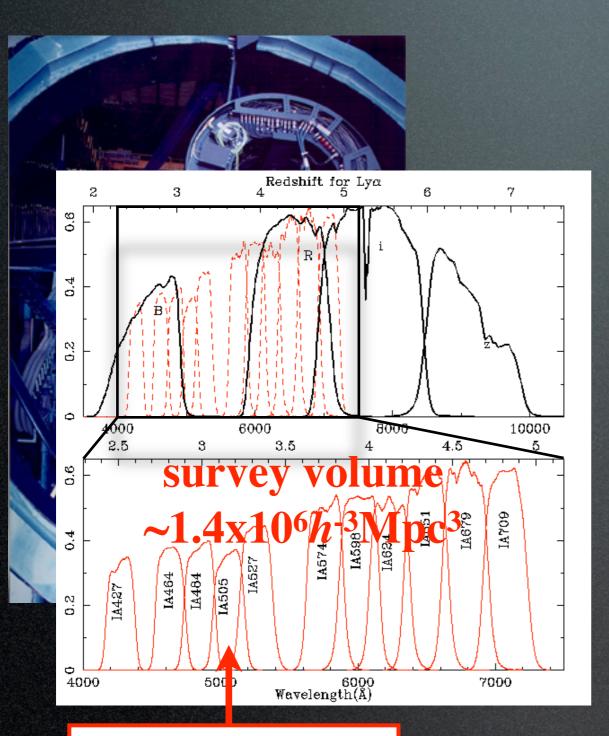
- VLT/VIMOS Spectroscopy:
  - ~40% have EW > 200A, no wing emission, and positive L- $\Delta V$  correlation -> cooling clouds?
- UKIDSS/UDS photometry (non-detection):
  - Stellar mass ( $3\sigma$  upper limit) M\* ~ a few  $10^9$  Mo



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# The wide sample (z~3)



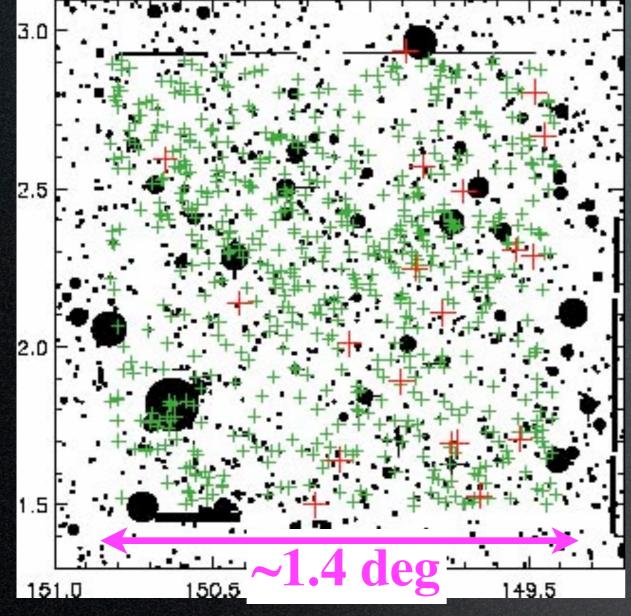
- Field: COSMOS field (~2 deg<sup>2</sup>: 10 pointings)
- Redshift coverage: 3.05 < z < 3.25
- 3σ limiting mags for IA:
  25.9 mag (AB)

19 Objects

IA505 band

### Wide-field,

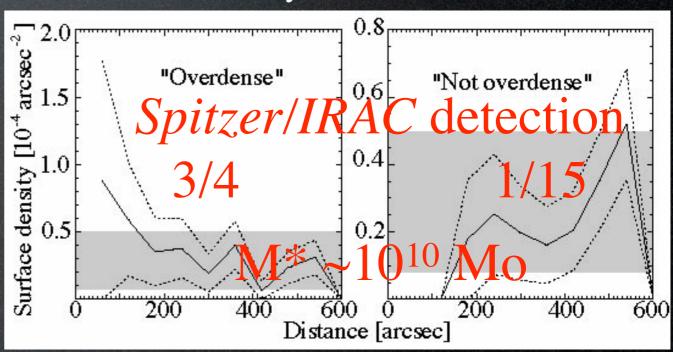
Multiwavelength analysis



Red: LABs

Green: photo-z sample

- Almost uniformly
   distributed over the sky,
   regardless of environment
- Both LABs with/without overdensity were found.

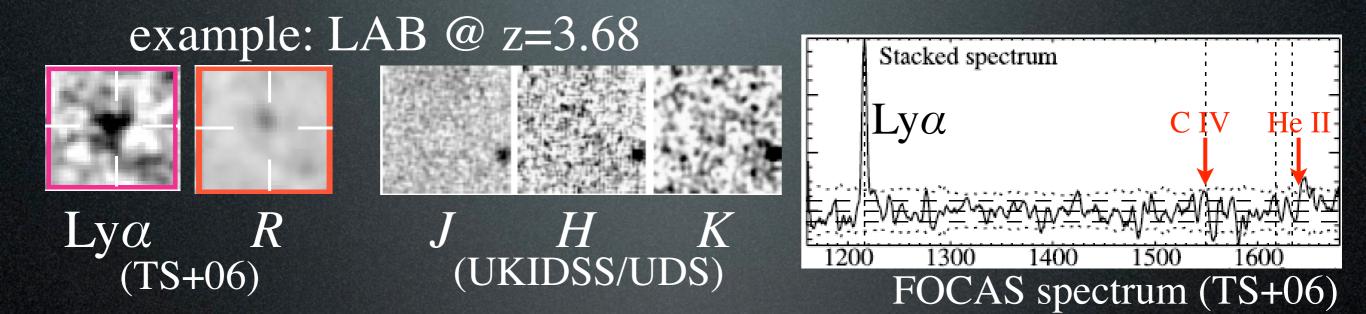


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--obscured, absent, or very first ones?--

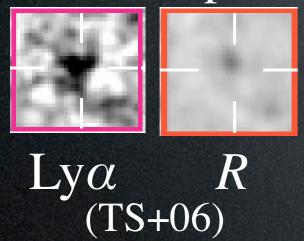


- "Isolated" LABs have no NIR counterparts
   --> low stellar-mass? obscured?
- Even with the stacked spectrum w/ Subaru other emission lines cannot be detected.

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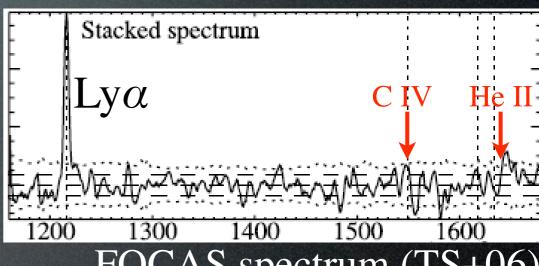
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example: LAB @ z=3.68





(UKIDSS/UDS)



FOCAS spectrum (TS+06)

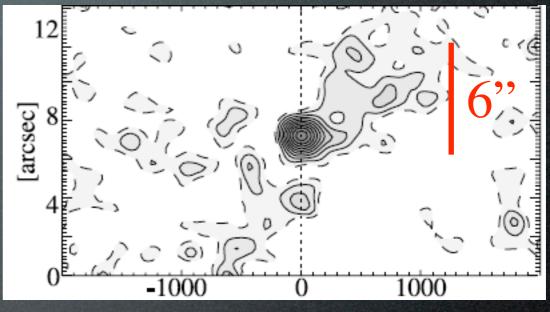
- Dust emission in submm nterparts ALMA! with great sensitivity & resolution
- $\bullet$  Er Optical & NIR spectroscopy with ~10x higher S/N ratio

### 2. Diffuse components

--infalling or outflowing?--

example: LAB @z=3.68 (TS+08)





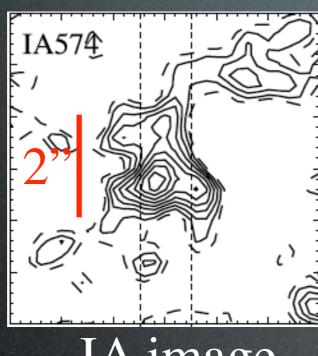
2-d spectrum

- Diffuse Ly $\alpha$  components cannot be detected w/ existing 8-10m telescopes
- Other emission lines (NV, CIV, HeII, etc.) are still not detected

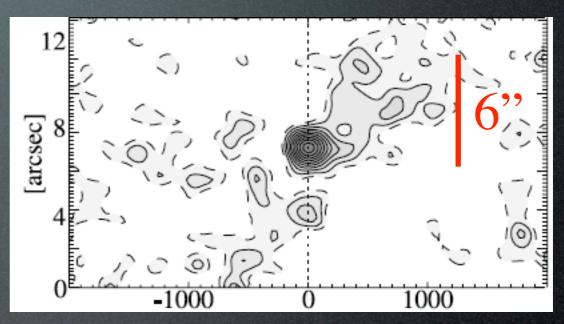
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IA image



2-d spectrum

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w/ exi

Gas dynamics:

• Other IFU on ELTs, and/or ALMA

are still not detected

etc.)

# Summary

Why do we observe LABs with ALMA & ELTs?



Why not?