

# **Molecular gas in void galaxies (CO-CAVITY)**

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**The Calar Alto Void Integral-field Treasury surveY  
(CAVITY)  
project**

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## **Introduction:**

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The majority of galaxies belong to groups and clusters tracing interconnected structures in a sponge-like fashion. This large-scale structure is characterised by clusters, filaments, walls, but also under-dense regions, called voids

The void regions and the galaxies within, represent an ideal place for the study of galaxy formation as they are largely unaffected by the complex physical processes that transform galaxies in high-density environments

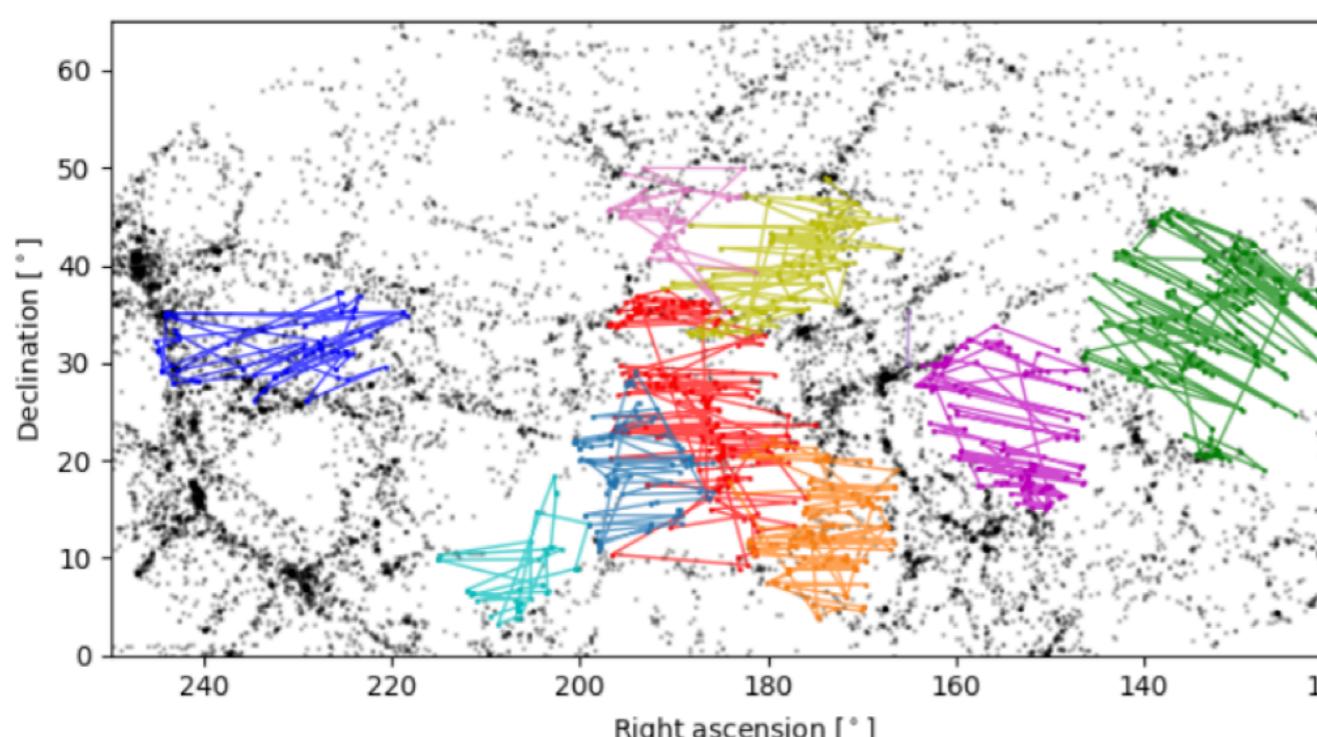
These void galaxies can shed light into galaxy formation and into the current challenges to the  $\Lambda$ CDM models

### **The main aims:**

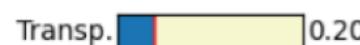
1. Determine how the environment has influenced the mass assembly (baryonic and dark) of void galaxies
2. Establish how galaxy formation and its properties are dependent on the larger-scale environment
3. Find the main driver of galaxy transformation

The CAVITY sample: ~ 300 galaxies distributed in 15 cosmic voids

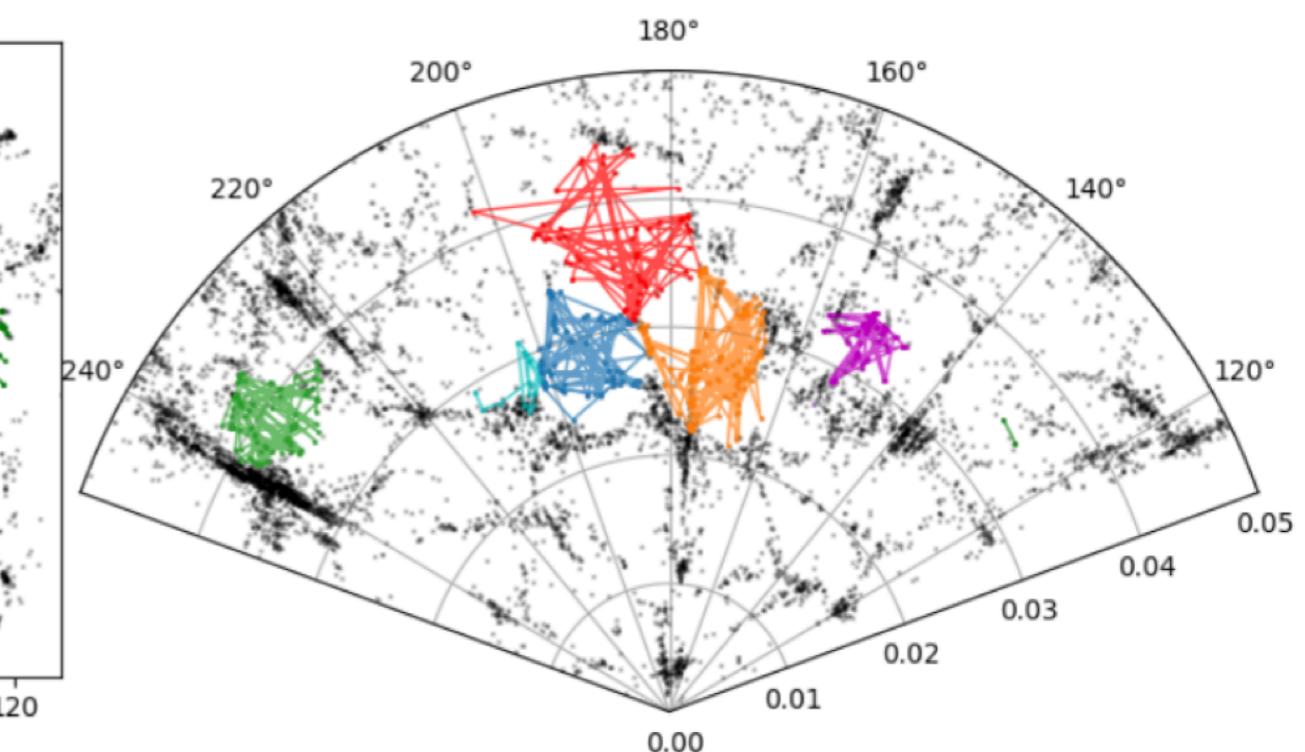
The sample has been specifically designed to sample galaxies within voids, probing voids of different sizes and dynamical stages, and also ensuring that the full 24th B-magnitude of the selected IFU-sample galaxies fits the field-of-view of the instrument to make sure that the analysed properties can be rightfully compared



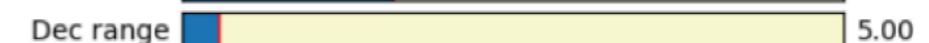
Projection within  $0.030 < z < 0.035$



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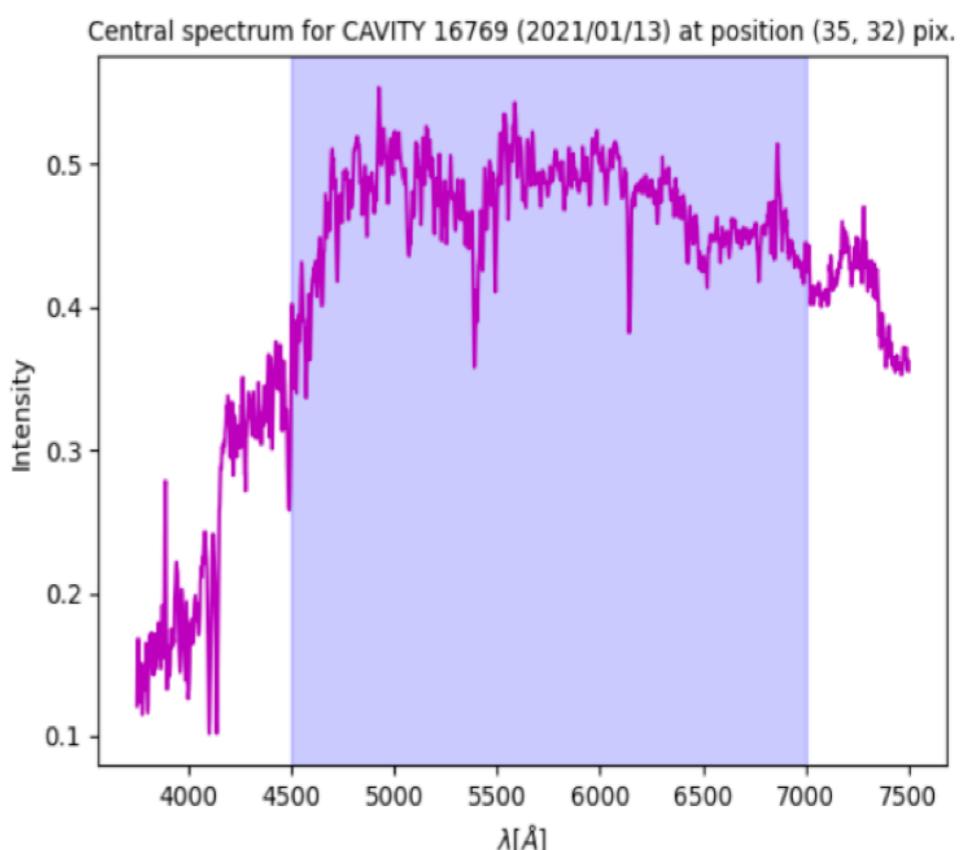
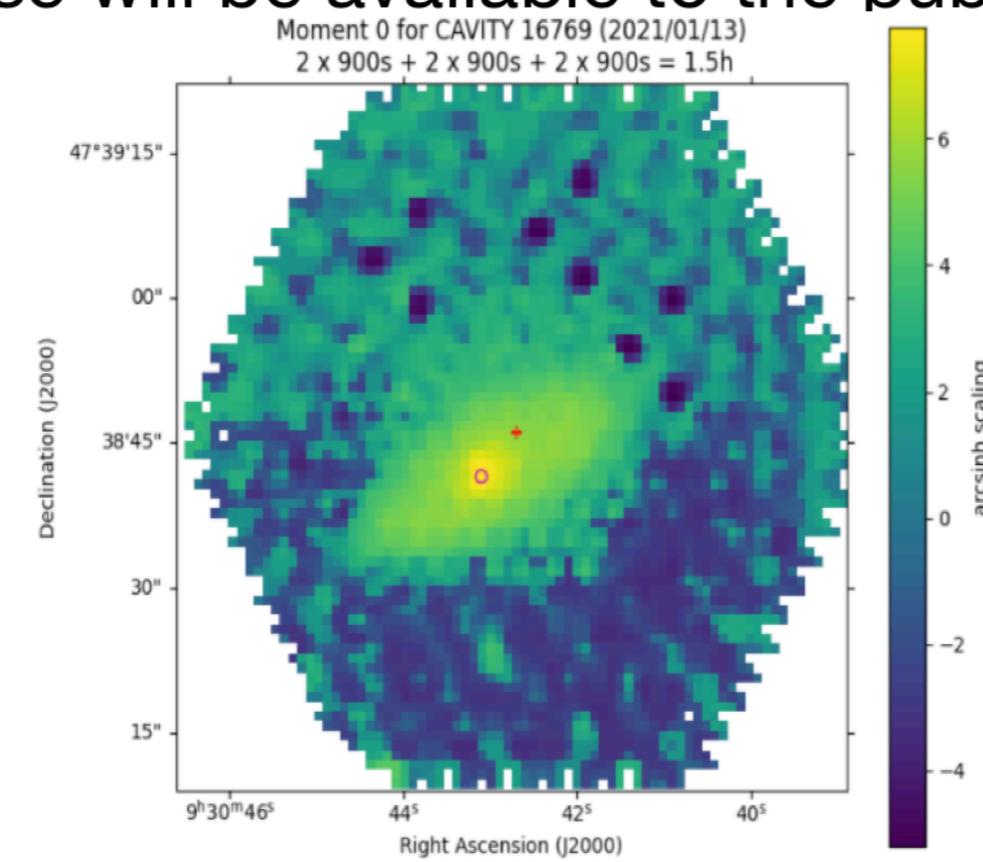
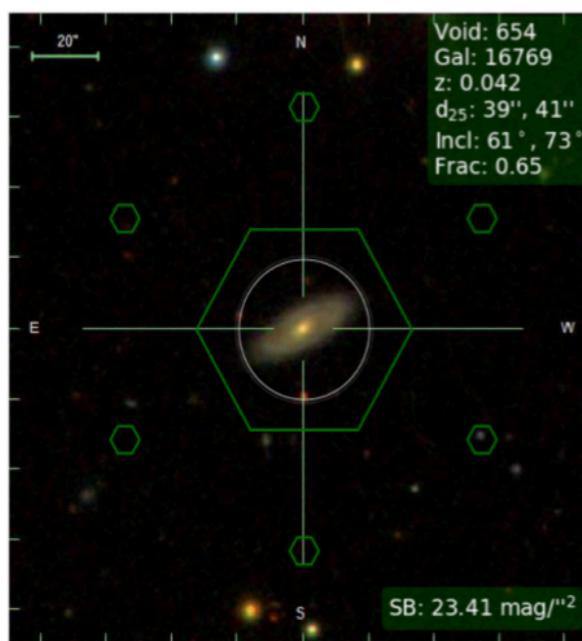
Wedge diagram within  $15.00 < \text{dec} < 20.00$



CAVITY observations officially started on January 2021, and are performed with the Postdam Multi Aperture Spectrograph (PMAS, Roth et al. 2005) in the PPak mode (Verheijen et al. 2004) at the 3.5 m telescope Calar Alto Observatory (CAHA)

The science fiber are comprised in an hexagonal configuration covering a field-of-view of  $74'' \times 64''$

The first data-release will be available to the public in 2023



For more info:  
<https://cavity.caha.es/>

# **CO-CAVITY:**

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Study of the cold molecular gas through radio-mm observations

MH<sub>2</sub> mass content

SFE

Gas fraction

Time depletion

I<sub>co</sub> (1-0) / I<sub>co</sub> (2-1)

# **Observations & Data reduction & Quality Control:**

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## **Observations:**

- **30 mts IRAM (EMIR - FTS)**
- **December 2021 to February 2023**
- **Wobbler switching**
- **30min to 4hrs**

## **Data reduction:**

- **Discard poor scans**
- **Modify central frequency ( $V_c = 0$ )**
- **Correct platforming effects**
- **Adjust and subtract a linear baseline**
- **Sum and smooth ( $V_{res} \sim 20 \text{ km/sec}$ )**

## **Quality Control:**

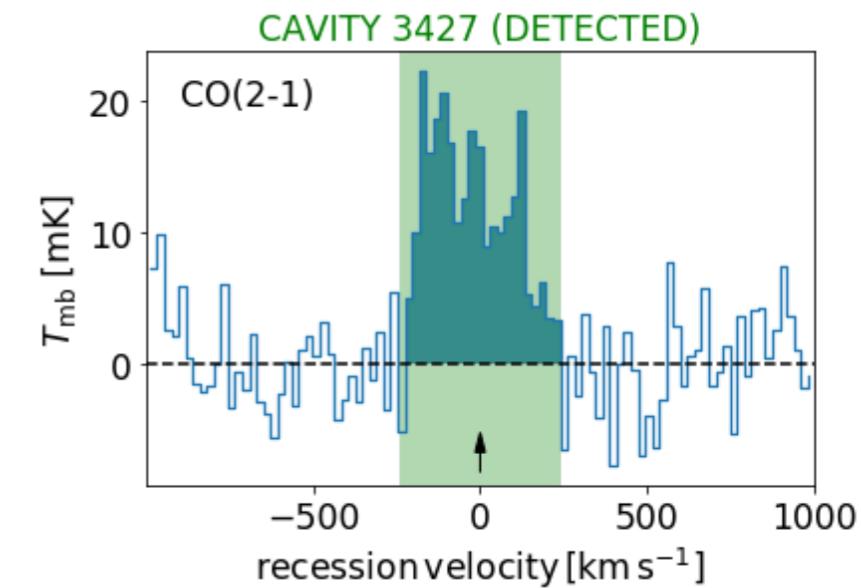
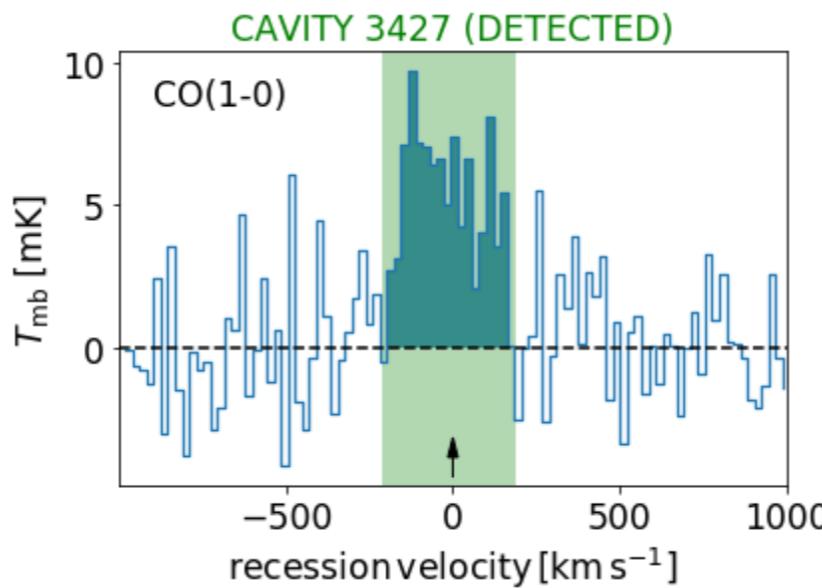
- **Detection**
- **Flat baseline**
- **Velocity window**
- **Comparison between the CO(1-0) and CO(2-1) emission**

## Results summary:

106 objects

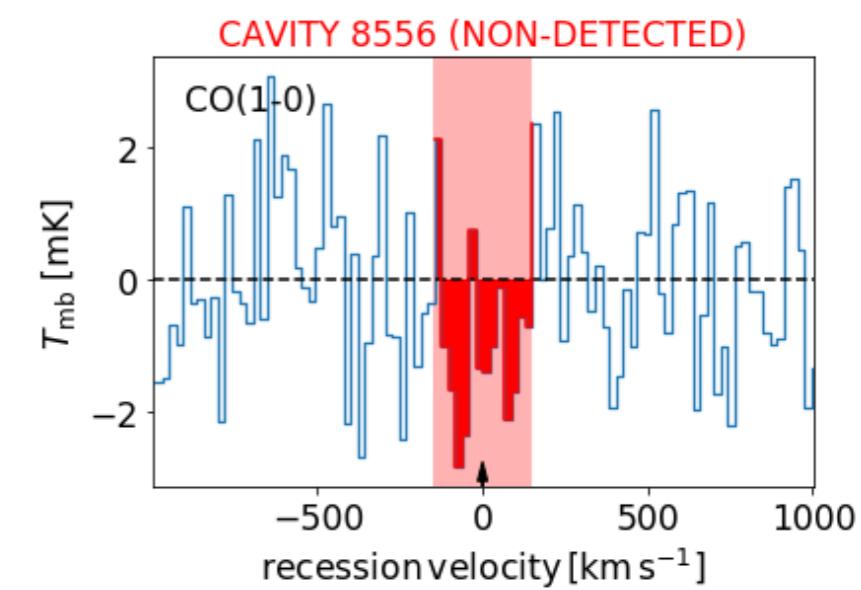
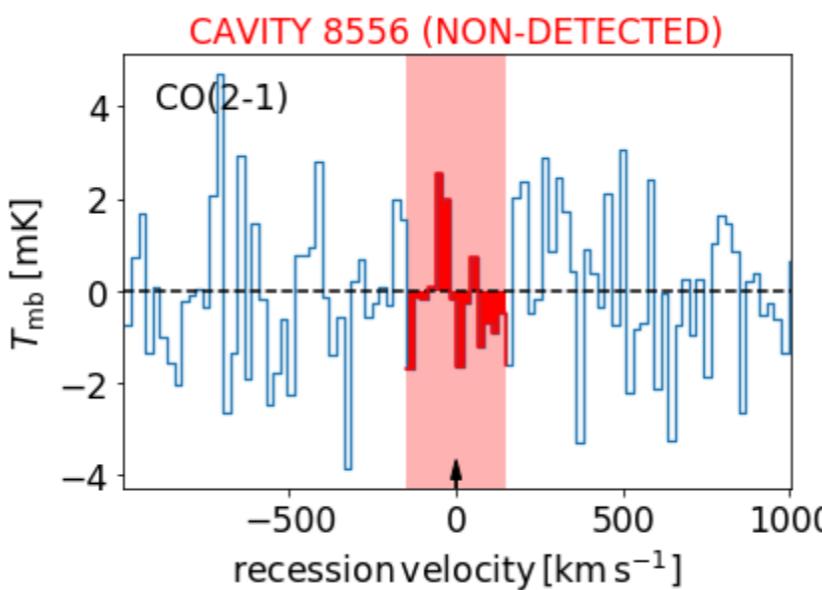
### CO (1-0)

detections ( $S/N > 5$ ): 64  
tentative ( $3 > S/N < 5$ ): 9  
non-detected ( $S/N < 3$ ): 33



### CO (2-1)

detections ( $S/N > 5$ ): 63  
tentative ( $3 > S/N < 5$ ): 9  
non-detected ( $S/N < 3$ ): 35



7 galaxies undetected in CO(1-0), but detected in CO(2-1)

**16769, 26668, 37605, 39573, 40774, 51442 and 65887**

### **Control Sample:**

**xCOLD GASS:** The xGASS (Catinella et al. 2018, the extended GALEX Arecibo SDSS Survey) is a HI survey of 1179 galaxies. xCOLD GASS (Saintonge et al. 2017) is an IRAM 30 m telescope H<sub>2</sub> legacy survey of 532 galaxies.

**Galaxies inhabiting voids and clusters (Pan et al. 2012 & Tempel 2017) and AGN's were removed**

### **Additional Sample:**

**VGS:** Pilot project of 20 galaxies observed with the 30 Mts (Domínguez-Gómez et al 2022 ). The HI data taken from Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope (presented in Kreckel et al. 2012).

**Additional data:****H<sub>I</sub>:**

ALFALFA Survey (36 detection and 20 upper limits)

**Metallicity:**

Calculated by Duarte-Puertas using O3N2 calibrator.

**SFR:**

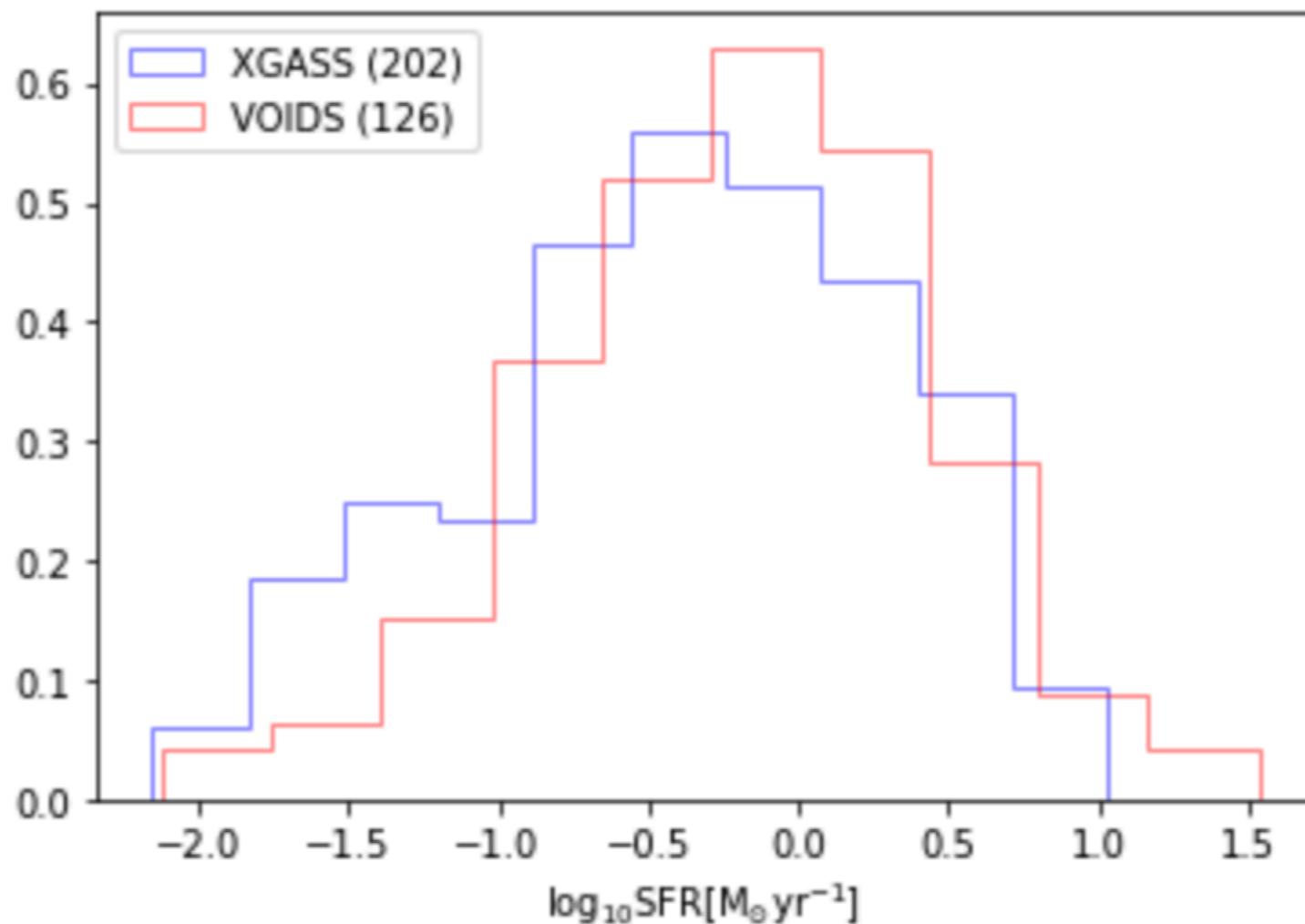
Calculated by Duarte-Puertas ( $\text{H}\alpha$  refined model in Duarte Puertas et al. 2017)

**M<sub>\*</sub>:**

MPA-JHU catalogue (<https://wwwmpa.mpa-garching.mpg.de/SDSS/DR7/>)

## SFR's

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# Distance to the main sequence

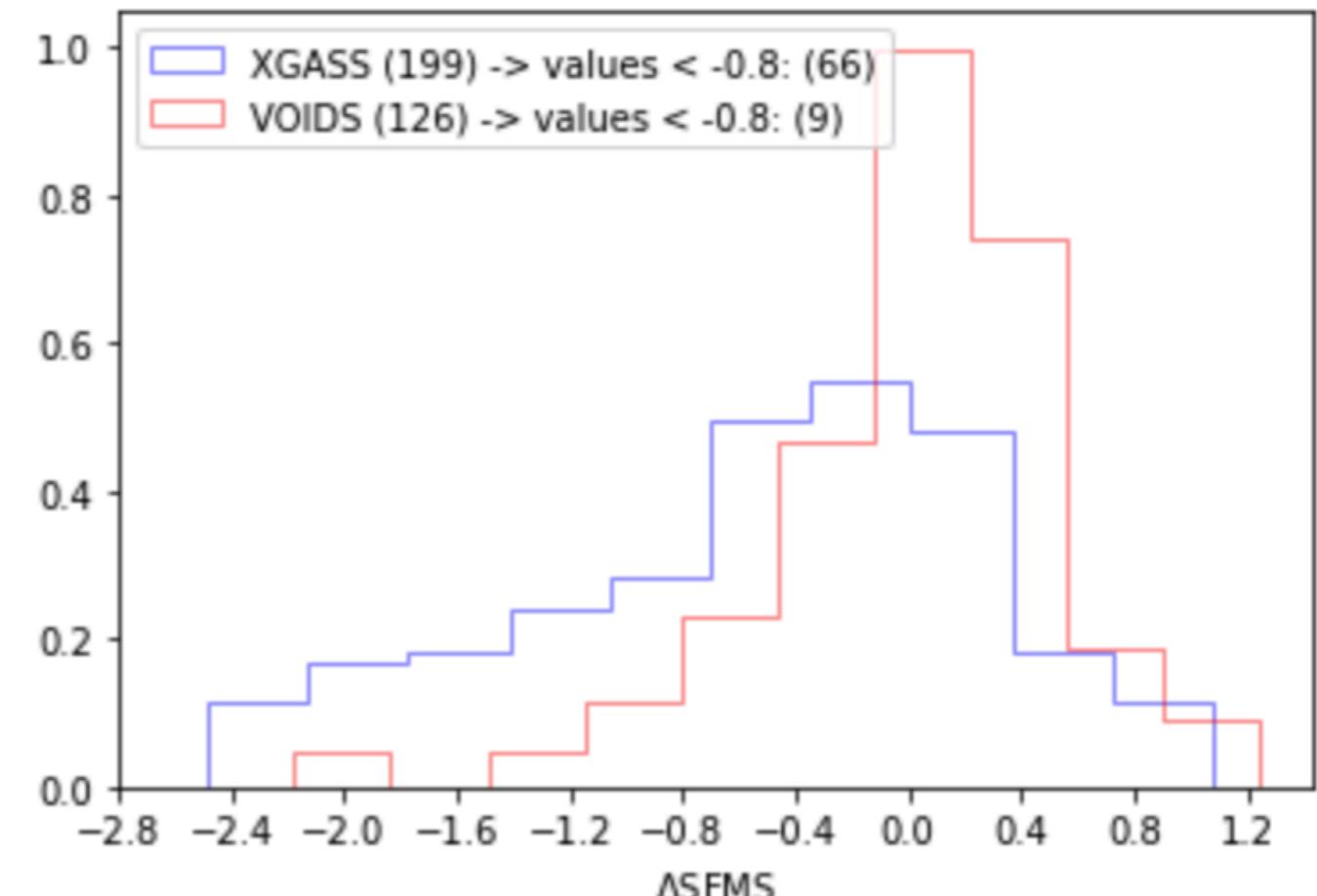
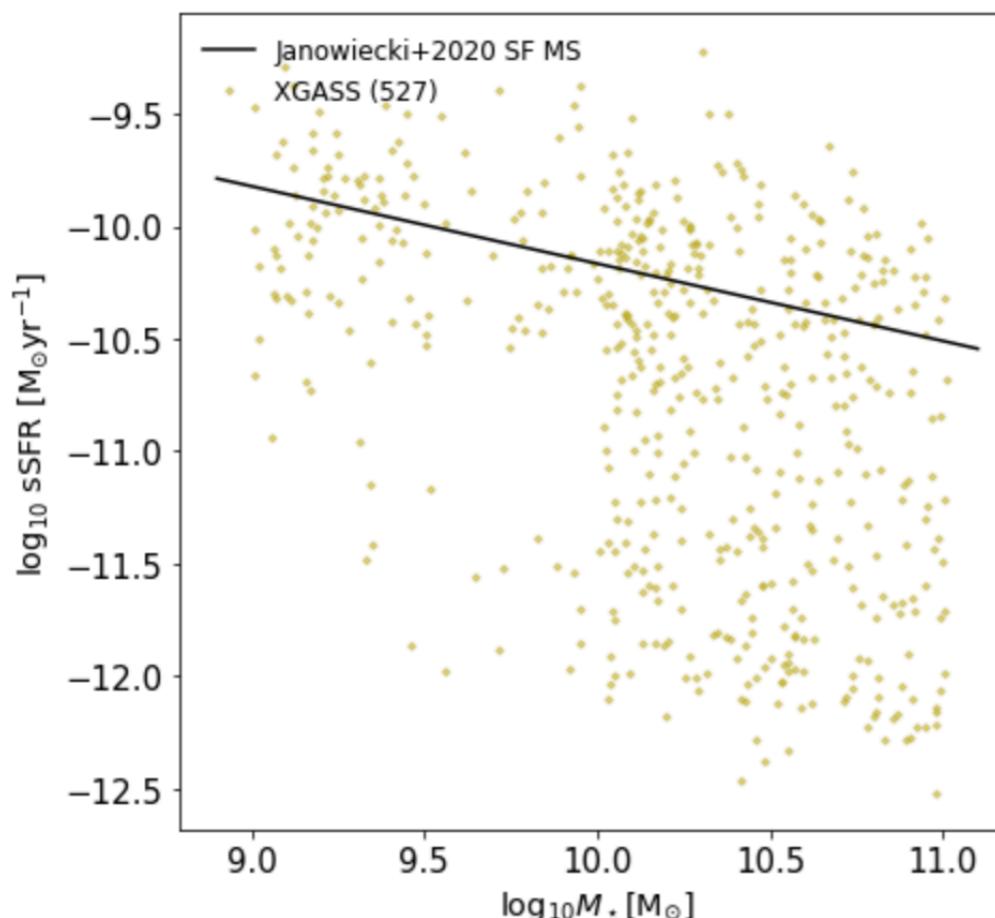
- Janowiecki+2020

$$\Delta SFMS = \log \frac{SFR}{M_{star}} [\text{yrs}^{-1}] - \log \frac{SFR_{MS}}{M_{star}} [\text{yrs}^{-1}]$$

## SF main sequence (Janowiecki+2020)

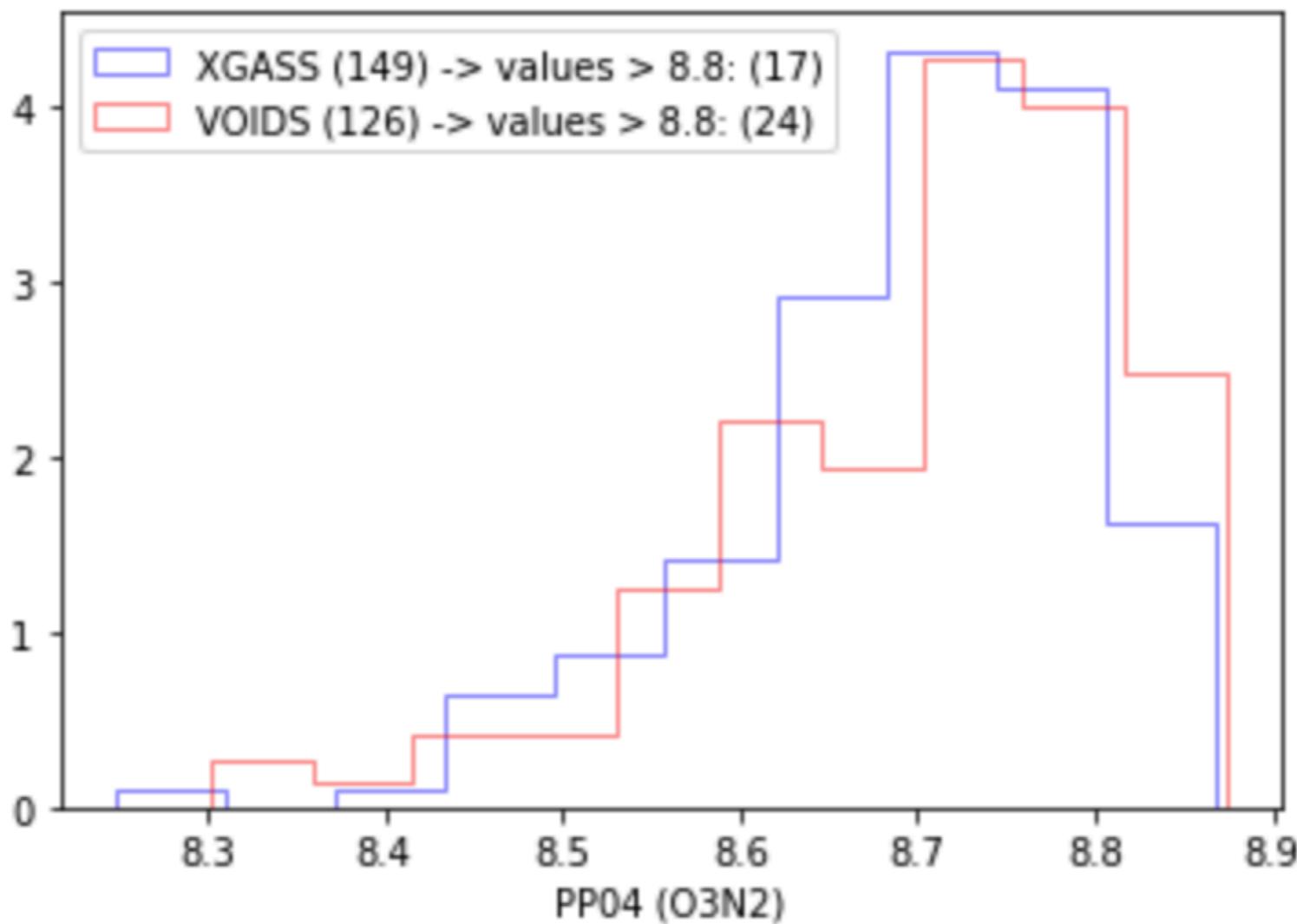
$$\log \frac{SFR_{MS}}{M_{star}} (\text{yr}^{-1}) = m_{SFMS} (\log \frac{M_{star}}{M_{\odot}} - 9) + b_{SFMS}$$

$m_{SFMS} = -0.344 \pm 0.101$   
 $b_{SFMS} = -9.822 \pm 0.057$



# Metallicities

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## Preliminary analysis: Alpha\_co factor

### Alpha CO factor (Accurso+2017)

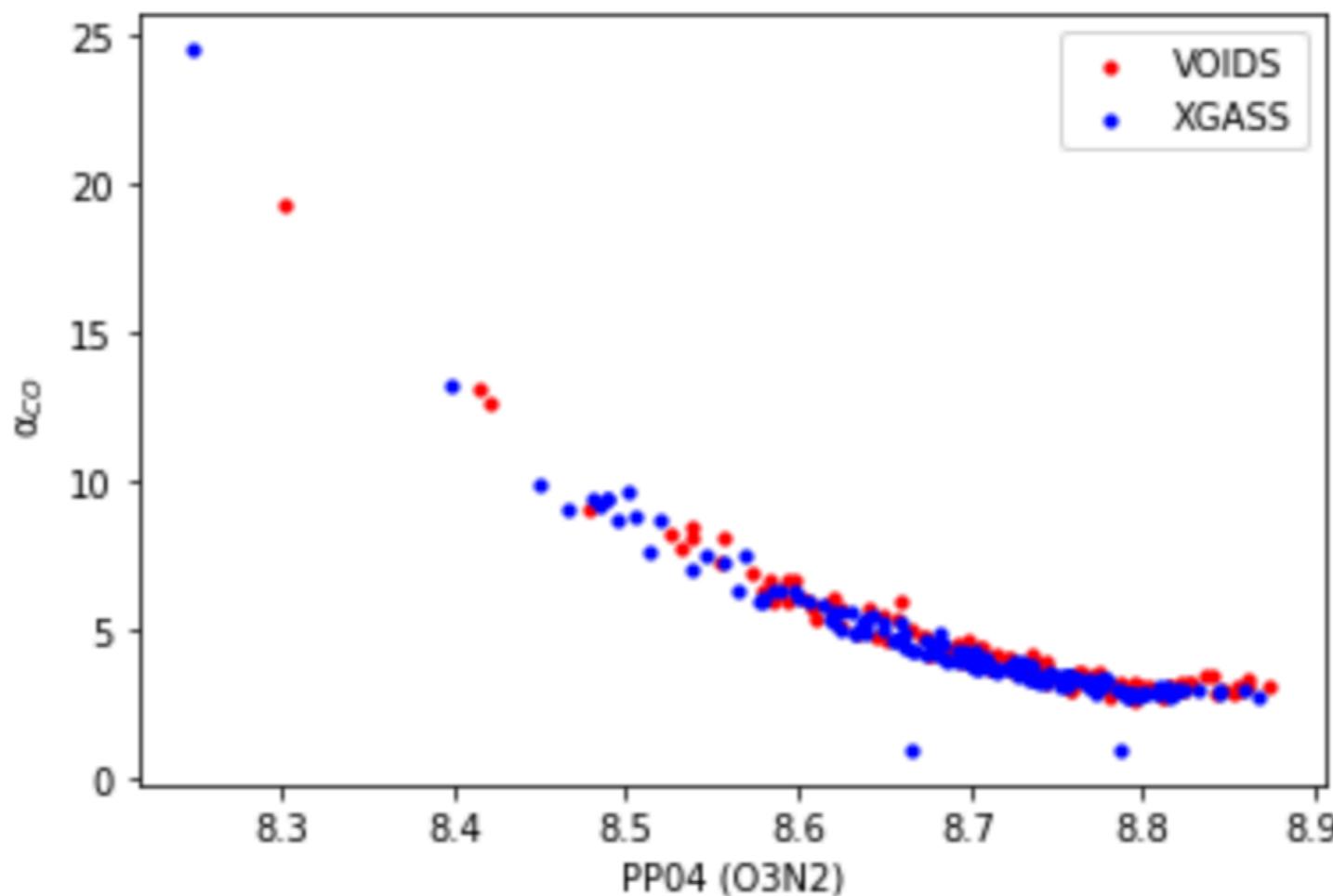
$$\log \alpha_{CO} (\pm 0.165dex) = 14.752 - 1.623[12 + \log(O/H)] + 0.062 \log \Delta (MS) \text{ (eq. 25)}$$

The prescription should only be applied to galaxies with  $7.9 < [12 + \log(O/H)] < 8.8$  and  $-0.8 < \log \Delta MS < 1.3$

For values  $[12 + \log(O/H)] > 8.8$  set  $[12 + \log(O/H)] = 8.8$

For values  $-0.8 < \log \Delta(MS)$  set  $\log \Delta(MS) = -0.8$

$$[12 + \log(O/H)] = 8.73 - 0.32 \times O3N2$$



## Preliminary analysis: Molecular gas mass

### Calculate MH<sub>2</sub>

- From Solomon et al., 1997

$$L'_{CO} [K \text{ km sec}^{-1}] = 3.25 \times 10^7 S_{CO} \Delta V v^{-2} D_L^2 (1 + z)^{-3}$$

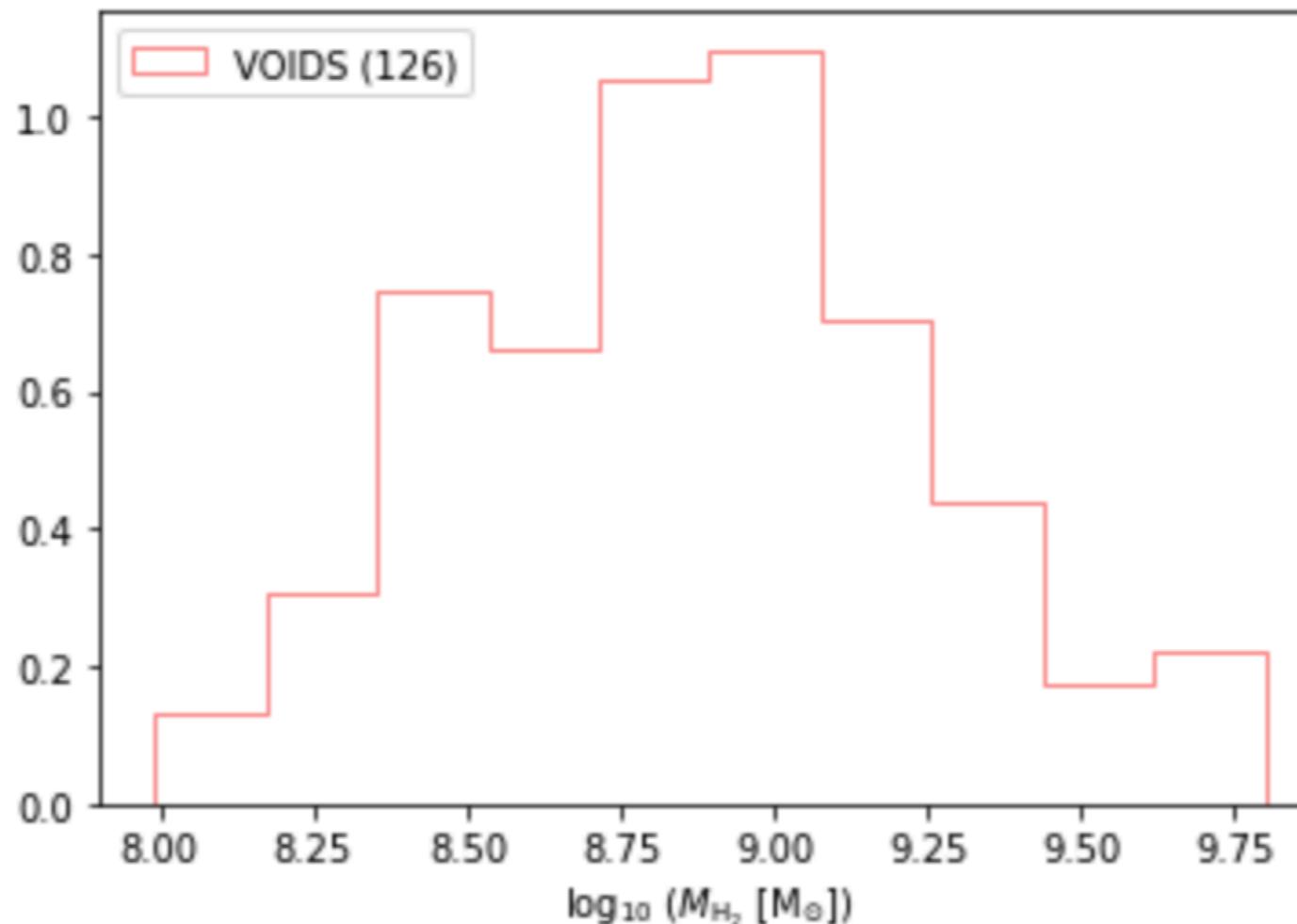
$$S_{CO} \Delta V [Jy \text{ km sec}^{-1}] = K_{i-s} \times I_{CO} [K \text{ km sec}^{-1}]$$

$$M_{H_2} [M_\odot] = f_{ap} \alpha_{CO} L'_{CO}$$

$\alpha_{CO}$  variable according the metallicity

- For non-detections:

$$I_{CO} < 3 \times rms [Jy] \times \sqrt{\delta_v * \Delta_V}$$



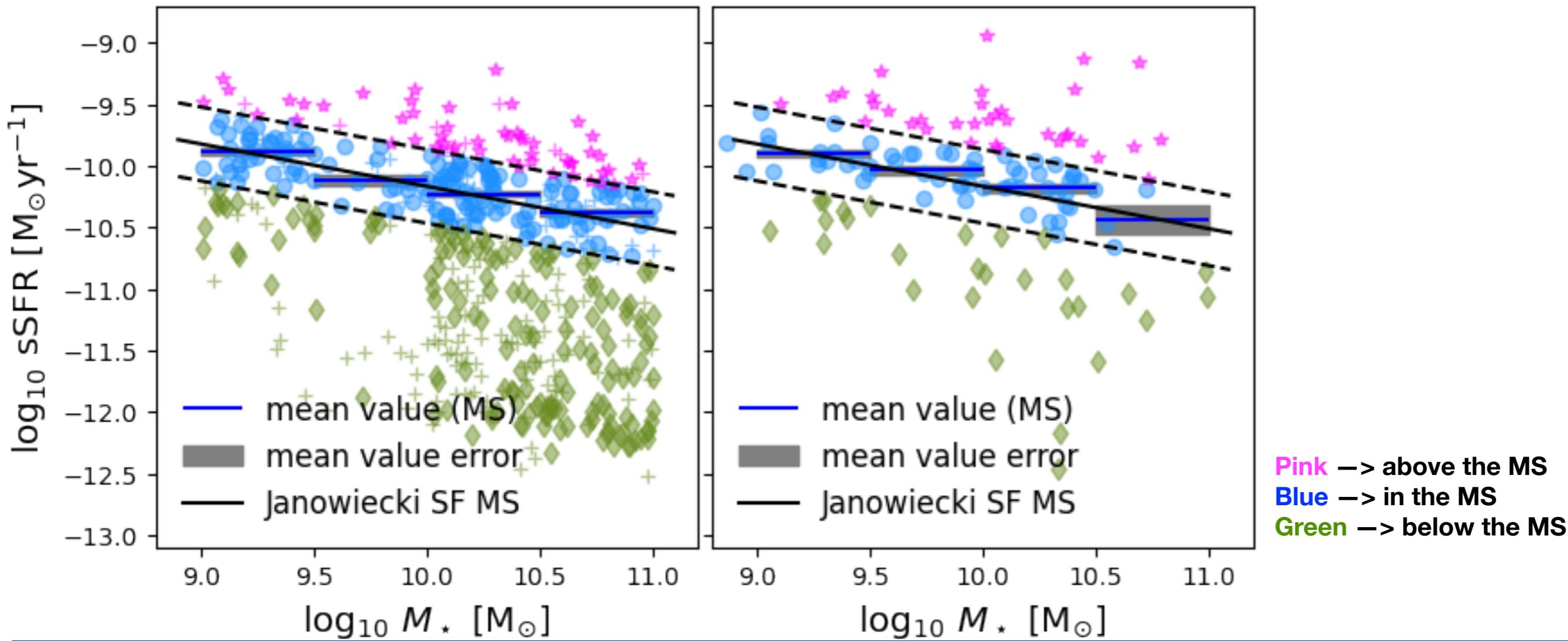
# Preliminary analysis:

**sSFR**

$$sSFR = \frac{SFR}{M_{star}} [yrs^{-1}]$$

XGASS

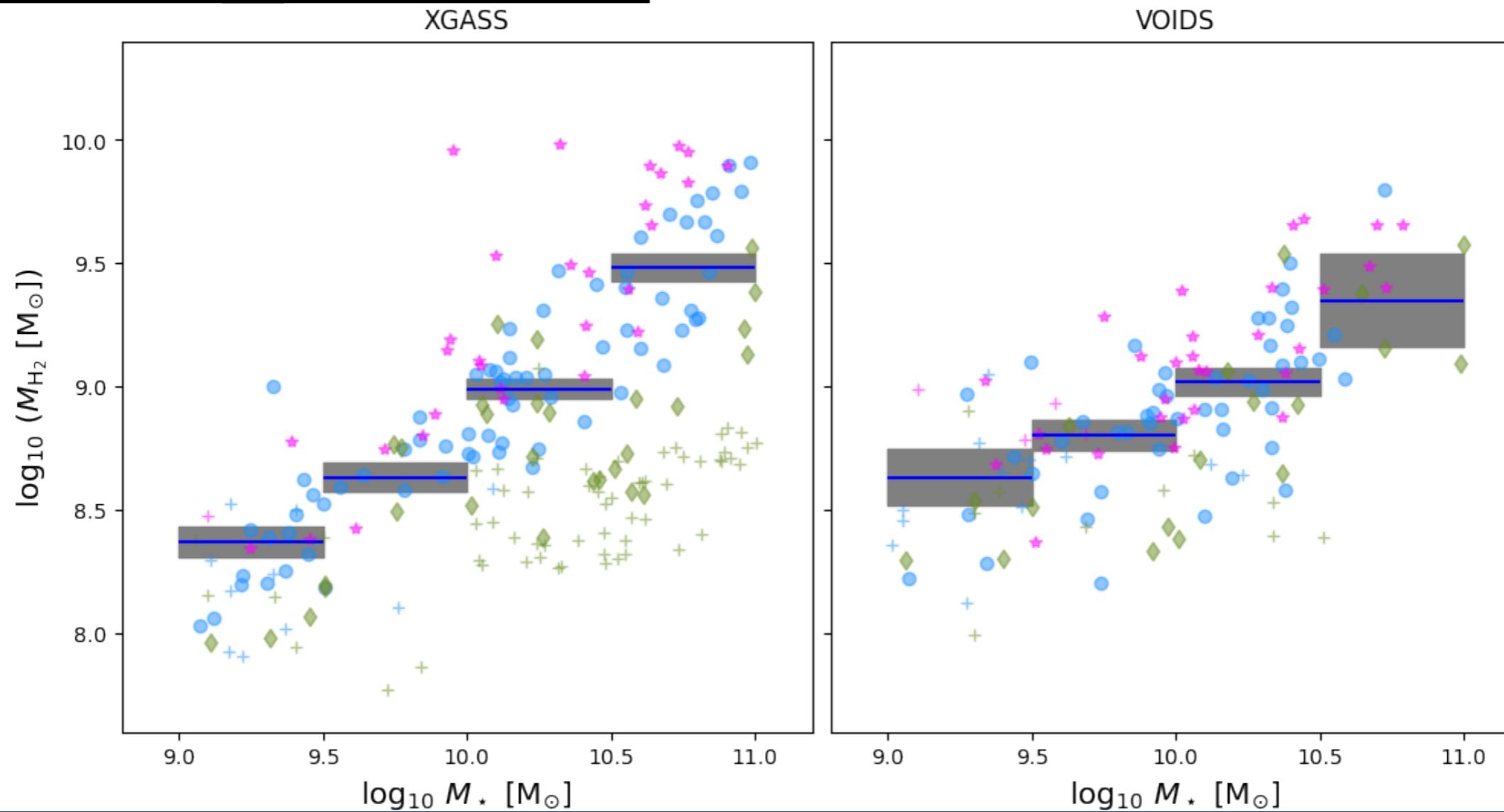
VOIDS



Log  $M_*$

Sample	9.0 - 9.5 $M_*$	9.5 - 10.0 $M_*$	10.0 - 10.5 $M_*$	10.5 - 11.0 $M_*$
XGASS log (sSFR)	$-9.887 \pm 0.025$ (43/8)	$-10.120 \pm 0.042$ (21/5)	$-10.229 \pm 0.023$ (81/24)	$-10.376 \pm 0.028$ (49/13)
VOIDS log (sSFR)	$-9.899 \pm 0.036$ (16/0)	$-10.036 \pm 0.032$ (16/0)	$-10.183 \pm 0.033$ (24/0)	$-10.437 \pm 0.113$ (13/0)

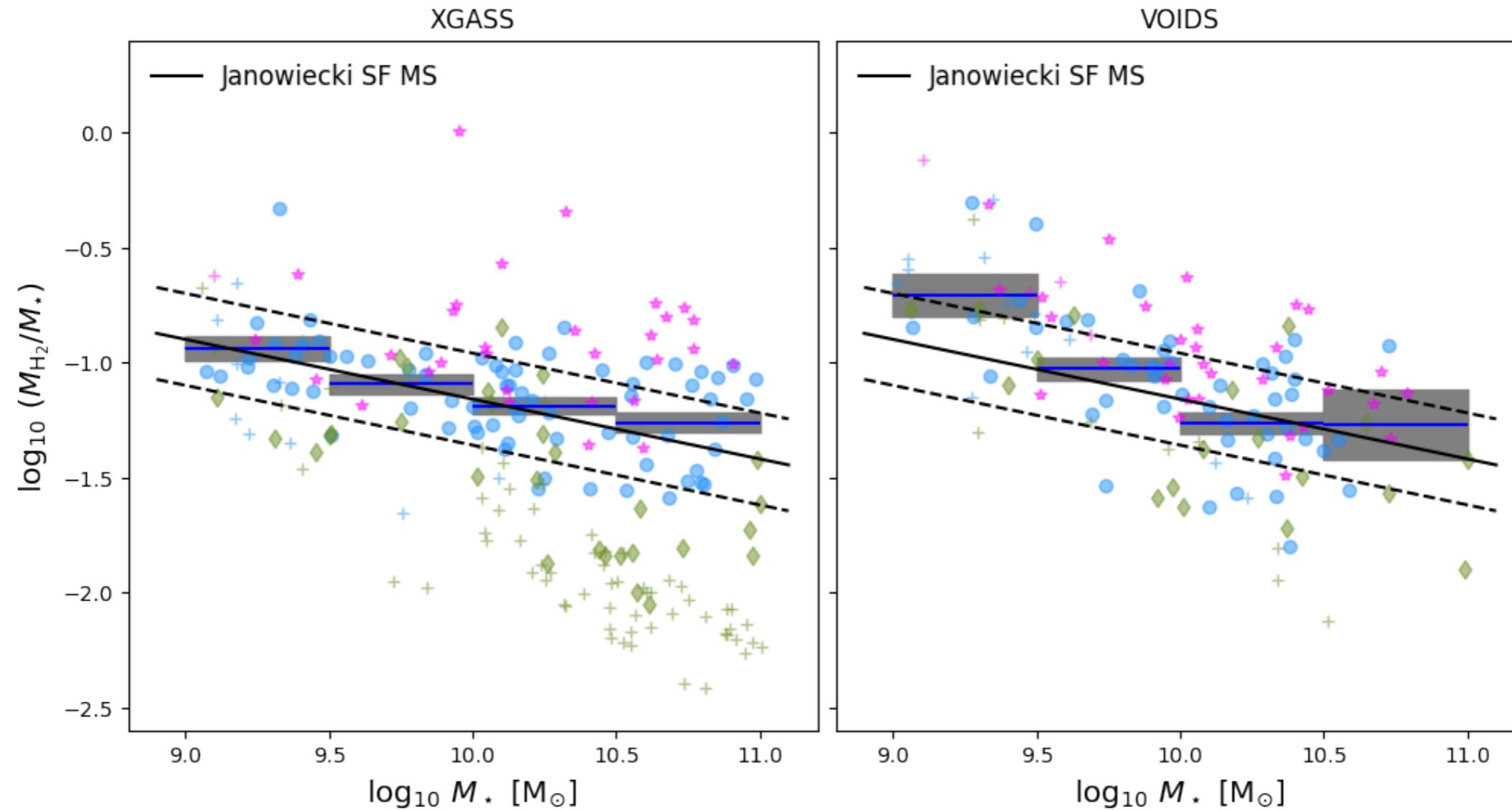
# Preliminary analysis: MH<sub>2</sub>-M<sub>\*</sub>



Log M<sub>\*</sub>

Sample	9.0 - 9.5 M <sub>*</sub>	9.5 - 10.0 M <sub>*</sub>	10.0 - 10.5 M <sub>*</sub>	10.5 - 11.0 M <sub>*</sub>
XGASS log (MH <sub>2</sub> )	8.371 +/- 0.064 (22/8)	8.633 +/- 0.057 (11/1)	8.991 +/- 0.041 (27/1)	9.483 +/- 0.056 (22/0)
VOIDS log (MH <sub>2</sub> )	8.633 +/- 0.115 (16/9)	8.804 +/- 0.060 (16/1)	9.019 +/- 0.056 (24/2)	9.349 +/- 0.189 (3/0)

# Preliminary analysis: $M_{\mathrm{H}_2}/M_{\star} - M_{\star}$



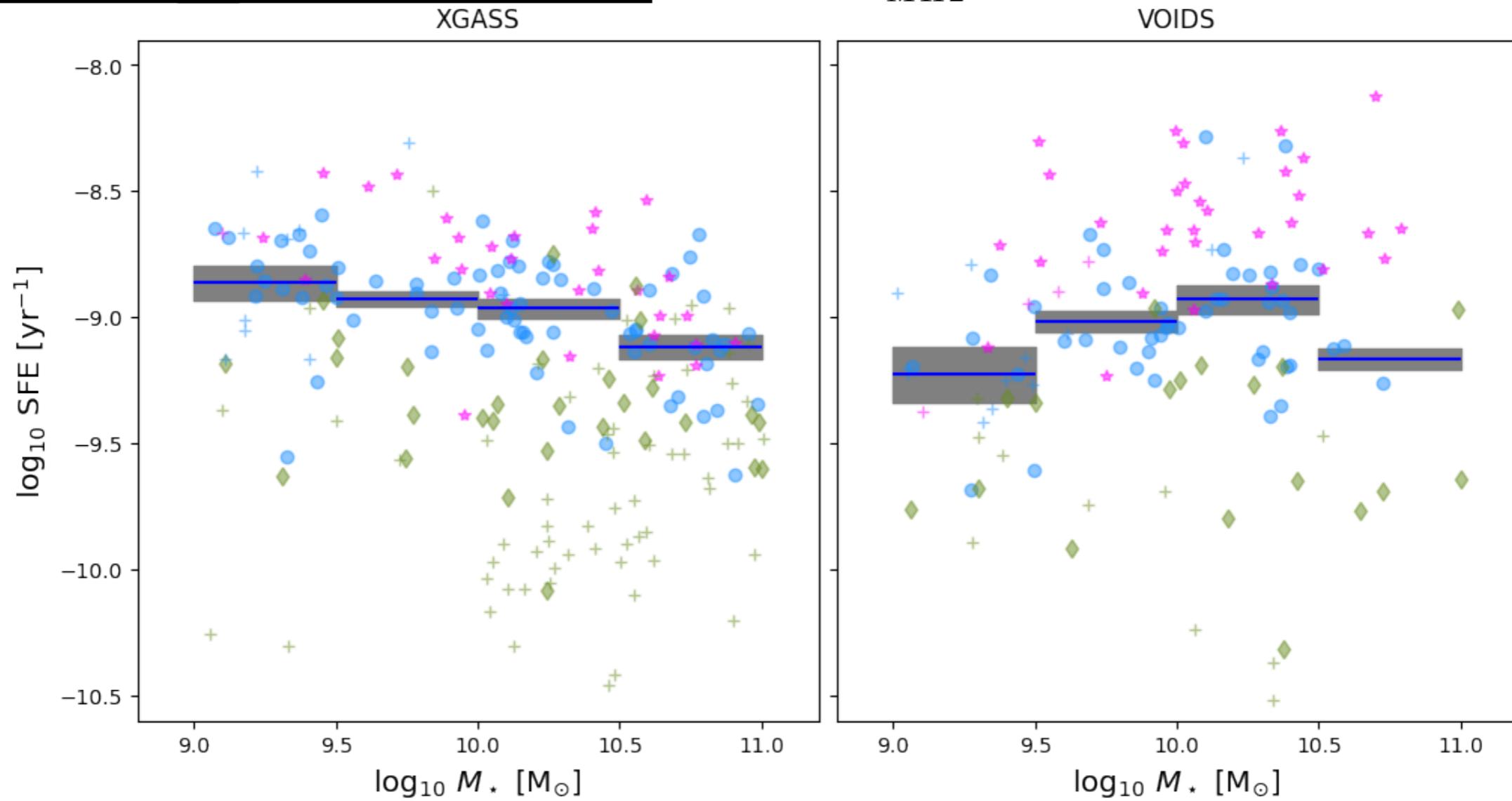
Log  $M_{\star}$

Sample	9.0 - 9.5 $M_{\star}$	9.5 - 10.0 $M_{\star}$	10.0 - 10.5 $M_{\star}$	10.5 - 11.0 $M_{\star}$
XGASS log ( $M_{\mathrm{H}_2}/M_{\star}$ )	-0.938 +/- 0.052 (22/8)	-1.095 +/- 0.041 (11/1)	-1.190 +/- 0.036 (27/1)	-1.261 +/- 0.043 (22/0)
VOIDS log ( $M_{\mathrm{H}_2}/M_{\star}$ )	-0.710 +/- 0.094 (16/9)	-1.027 +/- 0.050 (16/1)	-1.265 +/- 0.048 (24/2)	-1.272 +/- 0.151 (3/0)

# Preliminary analysis:

**SFE**

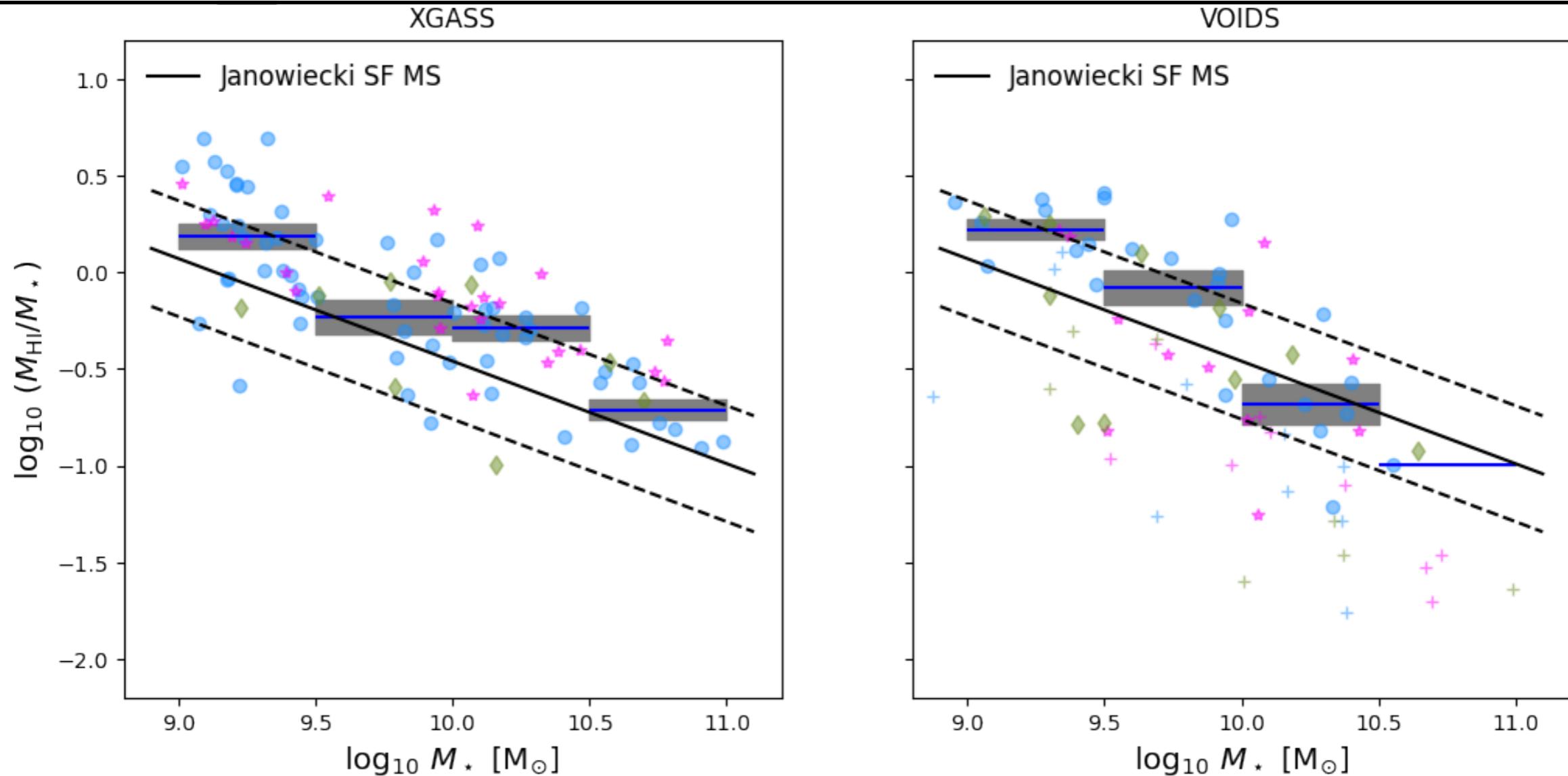
$$SFE = \frac{SFR}{MH2} [yrs^{-1}]$$



Log  $M_*$

Sample	9.0 - 9.5 $M_*$	9.5 - 10.0 $M_*$	10.0 - 10.5 $M_*$	10.5 - 11.0 $M_*$
XGASS log (SFE)	-8.863 +/- 0.067 (22/8)	-8.927 +/- 0.030 (11/1)	-8.964 +/- 0.039 (27/1)	-9.116 +/- 0.047 (22/0)
VOIDS log (SFE)	-9.226 +/- 0.110 (16/9)	-9.014 +/- 0.041 (16/1)	-8.929 +/- 0.057 (24/2)	-9.165 +/- 0.039 (3/0)

# Preliminary analysis: $M_{\mathrm{HI}}/M_{\mathrm{*}} - M_{\mathrm{*}}$ Only ALFALFA detections (cut in rms and redshift)

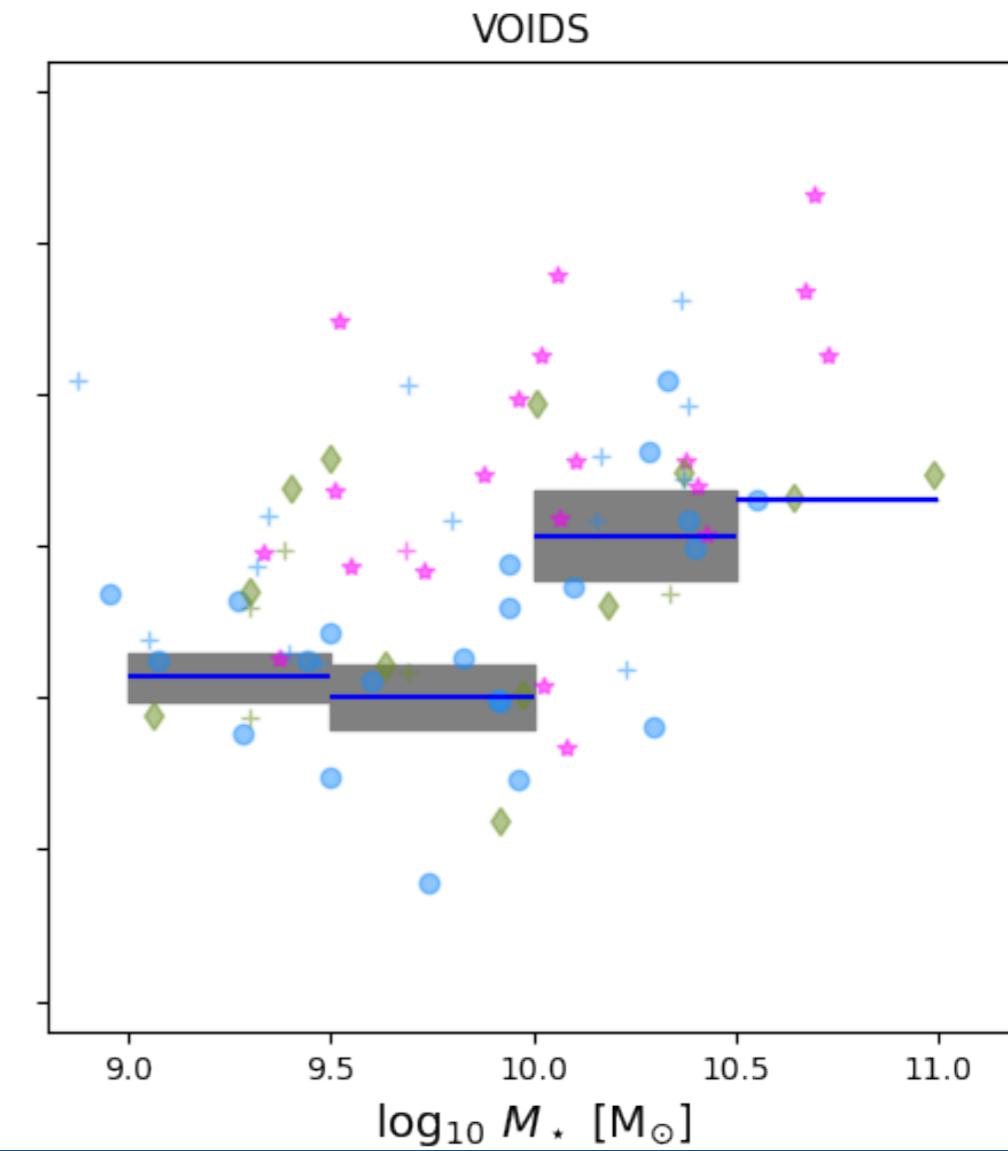
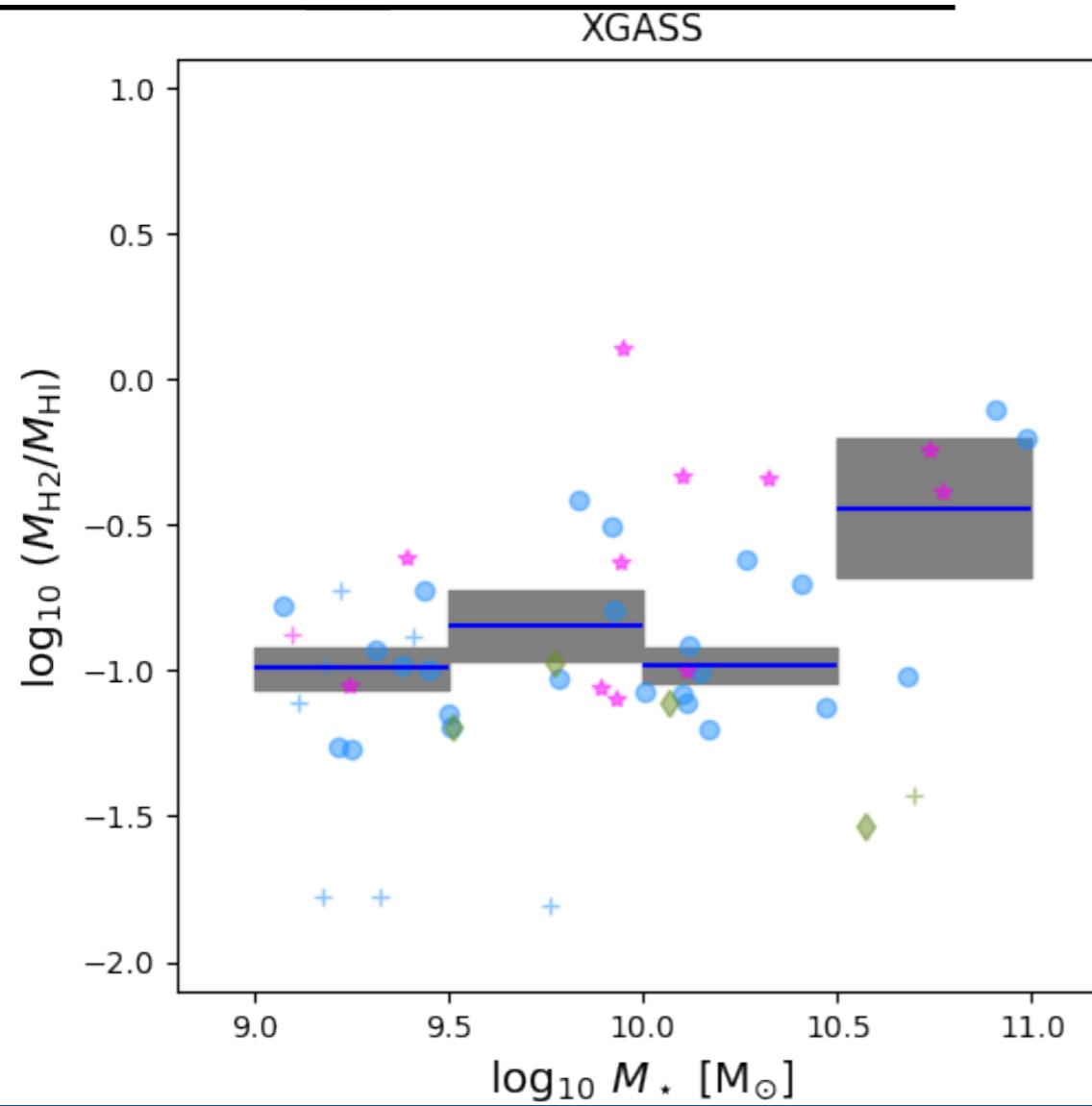


Log  $M_{\mathrm{*}}$

Sample	9.0 - 9.5 $M_{\mathrm{*}}$	9.5 - 10.0 $M_{\mathrm{*}}$	10.0 - 10.5 $M_{\mathrm{*}}$	10.5 - 11.0 $M_{\mathrm{*}}$
XGASS log ( $M_{\mathrm{HI}}/M_{\mathrm{*}}$ )	0.185 +/- 0.064 (25/0)	-0.234 +/- 0.088 (12/0)	<b>-0.288 +/- 0.061</b> (14/0)	-0.711 +/- 0.055 (9/0)
VOIDS log ( $M_{\mathrm{HI}}/M_{\mathrm{*}}$ )	0.221 +/- 0.054 (11/2)	-0.077 +/- 0.091 (10/2)	<b>-0.684 +/- 0.106</b> (12/5)	-0.994 +/- 0.000 (1/0)

# Preliminary analysis:

## MH<sub>2</sub>/MHI



Log M\*

Sample	9.0 - 9.5 M <sub>*</sub>	9.5 - 10.0 M <sub>*</sub>	10.0 - 10.5 M <sub>*</sub>	10.5 - 11.0 M <sub>*</sub>
XGASS log (MH <sub>2</sub> /M <sub>*</sub> )	-0.992 +/- 0.074 (13/6)	-0.846 +/- 0.124 (7/1)	<b>-0.981 +/- 0.063</b> (9/0)	-0.441 +/- 0.237 (3/0)
VOIDS log (MH <sub>2</sub> /M <sub>*</sub> )	-0.932 +/- 0.080 (11/5)	-0.997 +/- 0.108 (10/2)	<b>-0.464 +/- 0.147</b> (12/6)	-0.345 +/- 0.000 (1/0)

## **Conclusions:**

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- We have observed 106 galaxies in voids belonging to the CAVITY sample with the IRAM 30m telescope
- We have calculated the  $\text{MH}_2$  gas content ( $\log \text{MH}_2 \sim 8.0 - 9.8 \text{ M}_{\text{sun}}$ )
- We have analyzed main properties such as sSFR, SFE, gas fraction ( $\text{MH}_2/\text{M}_*$ ), and MHI
- The properties analysed seem very similar in void and control (wall, filament) galaxies.

**THANKS!**