

Photometric Redshifts for the NSLS

[Northern Sky Legacy Survey]

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Main Goals

- To provide an optical survey to complement the Euclid NearIR + riz photometry in the Northern Sky.
- To design a survey optimal for photometric redshifts of sources down to riz~24.5.

But with additional constraints:

- can be perform with MegaCam as is
- must fit in a "reasonable" amount of time

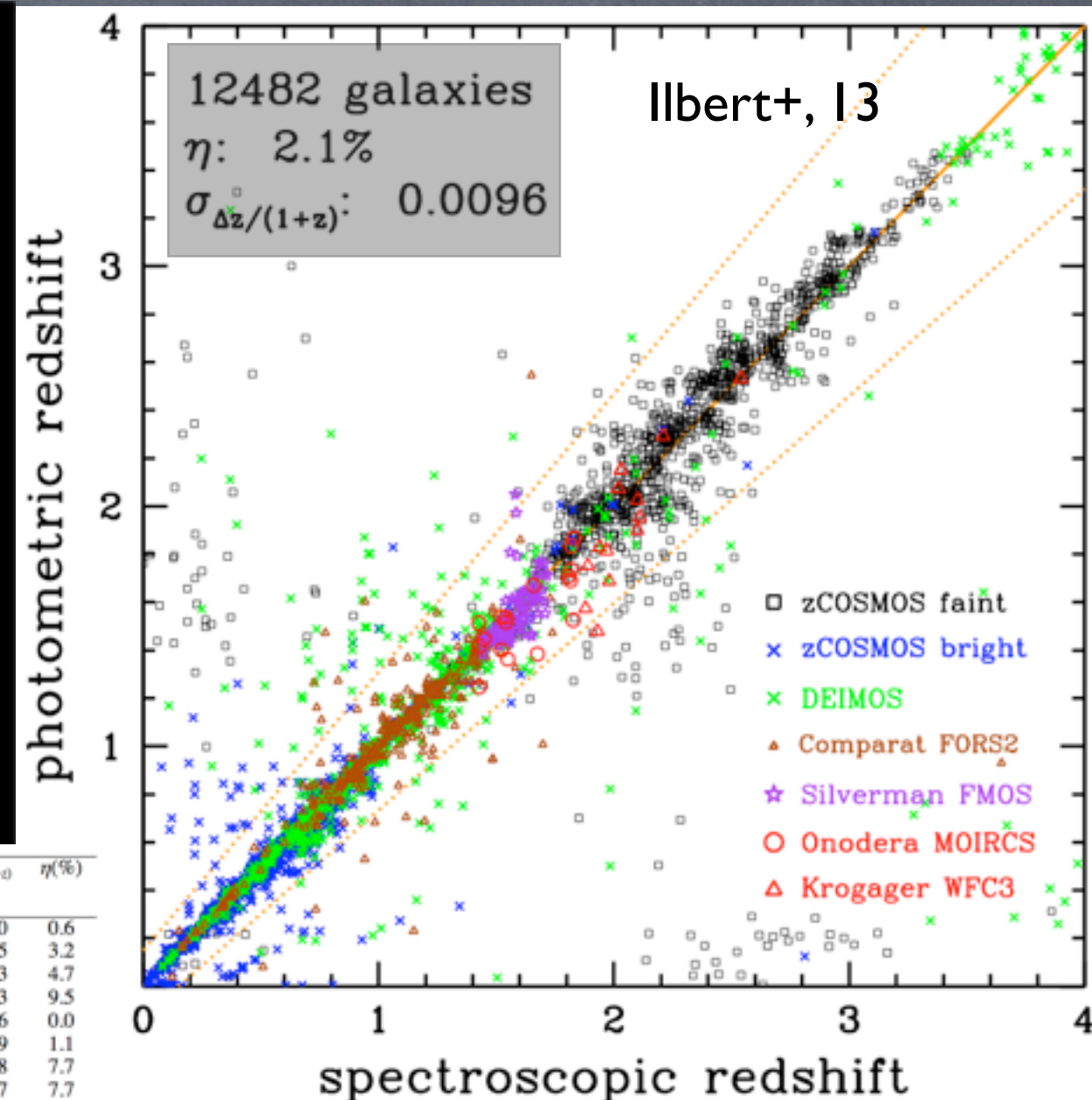
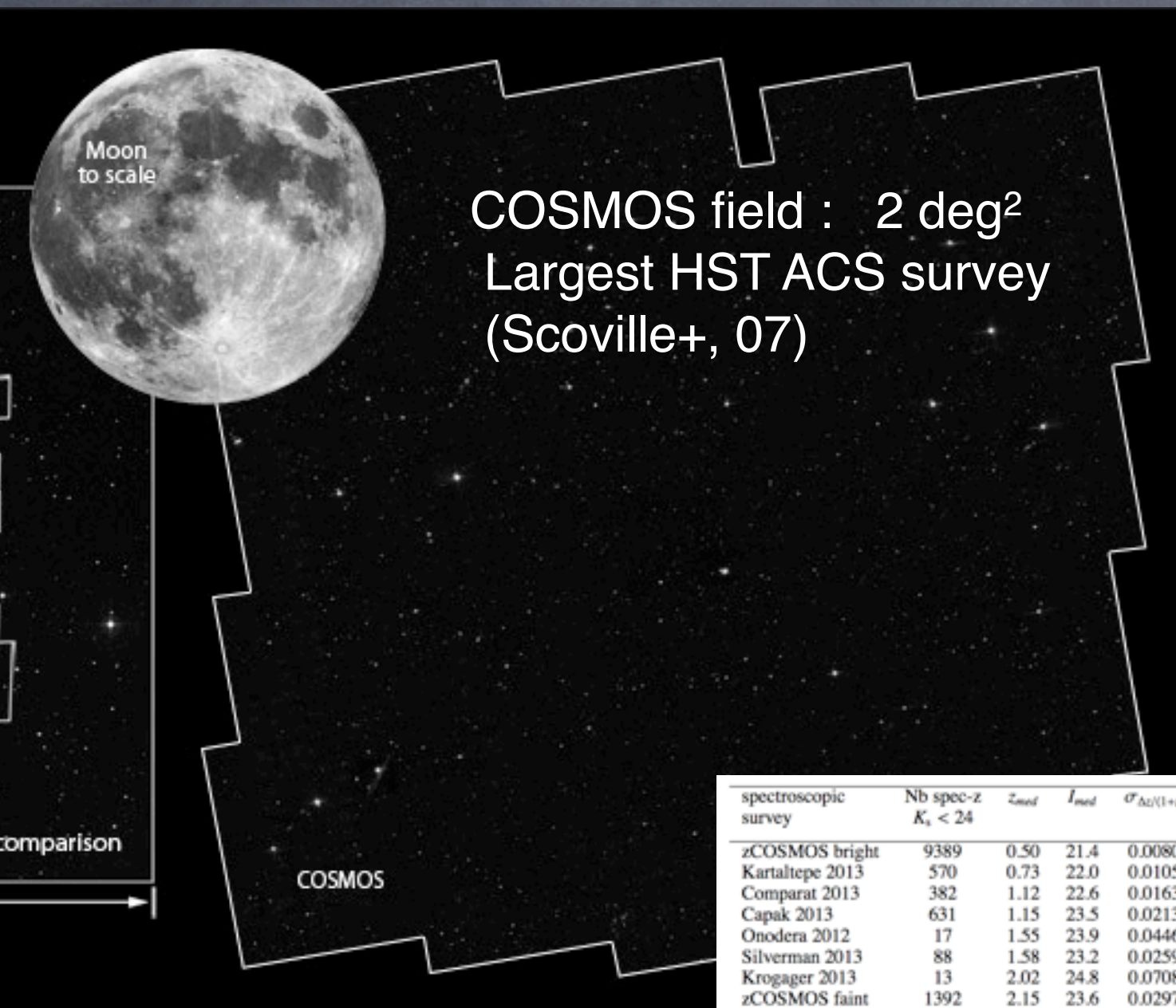
→ choice of filter set and depth ?

Strategy

to build simulated catalogs based on the COSMOS Field (Jouvel+, 11)

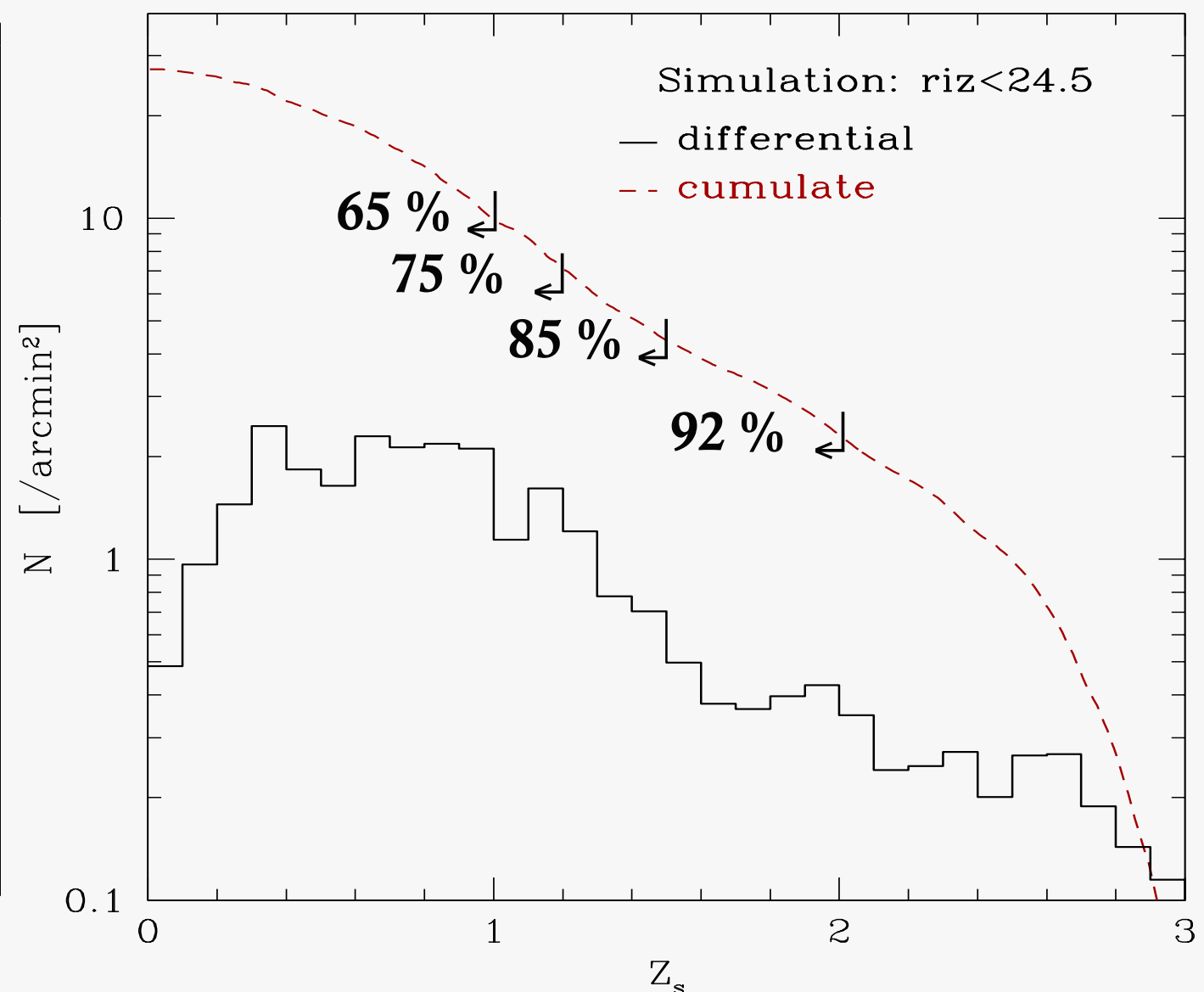
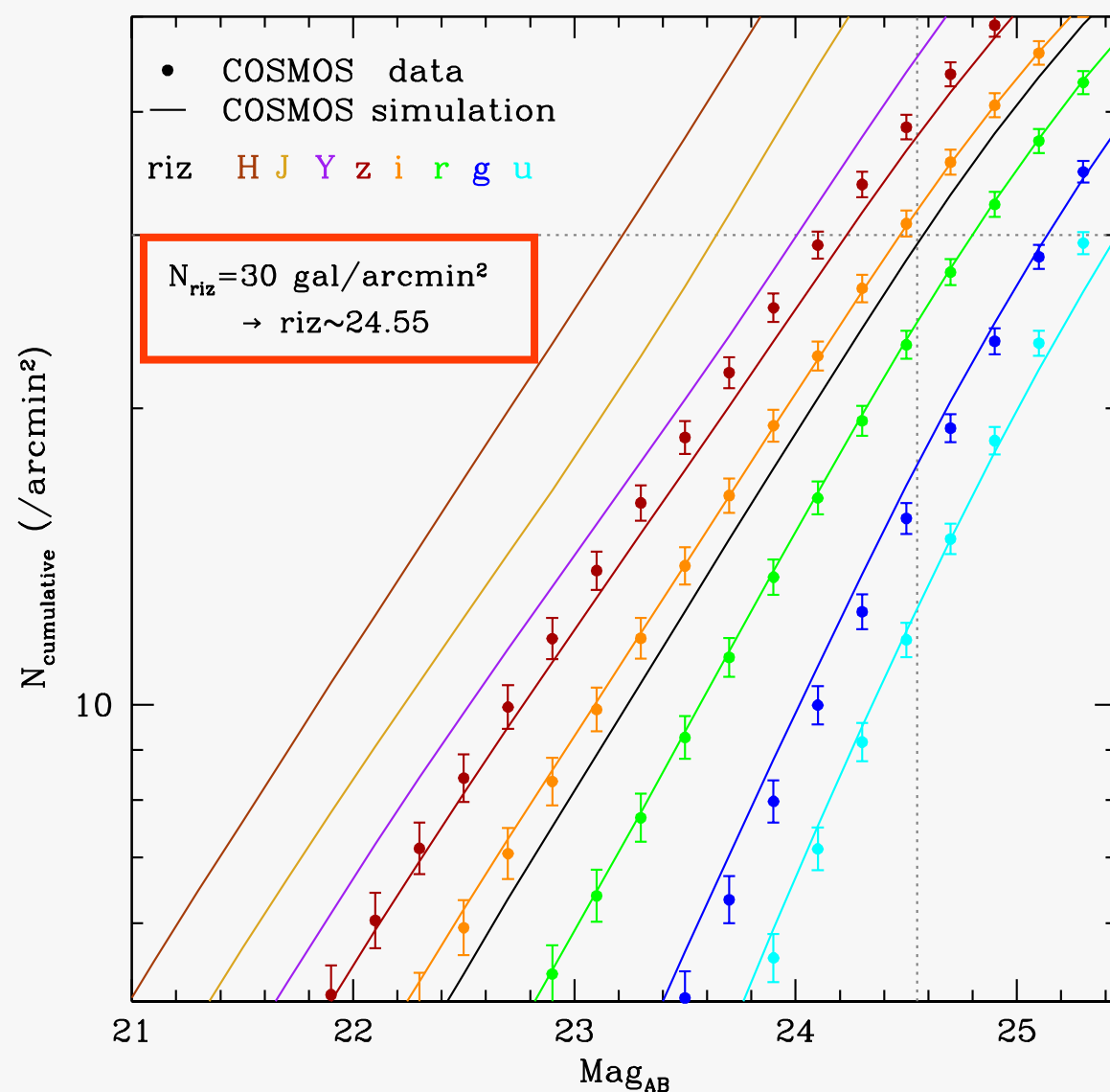
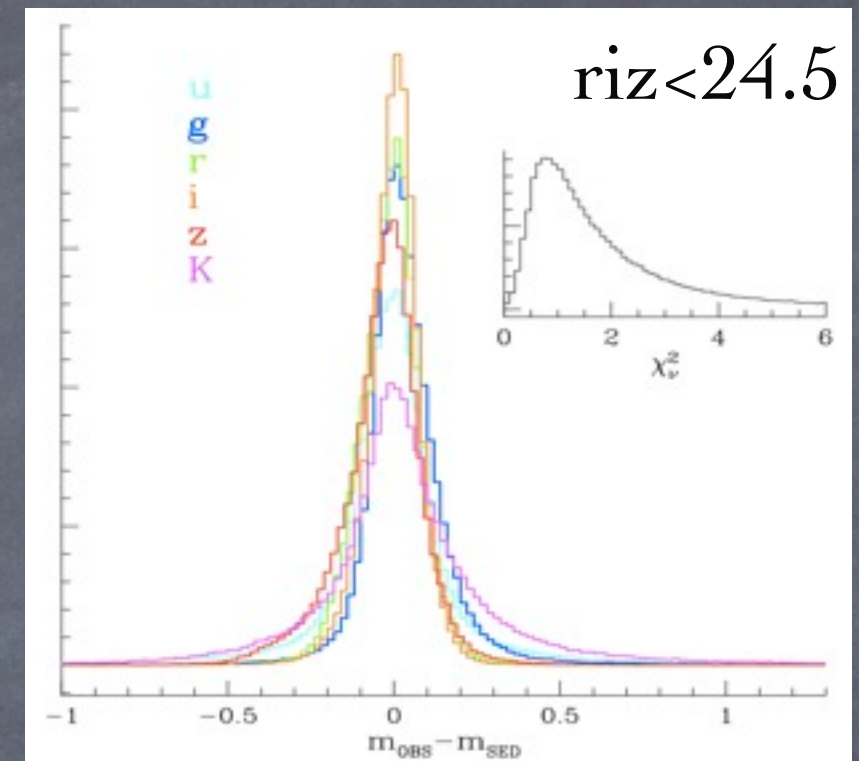
- Multi-wavelength dataset with 30 filters from Far-UV to Mid-IR
- Large & Deep: diversity and representative of various environments
- Highly accurate Photometric Redshifts (Large spectroscopic sample)

⇒ It allows us to explore the population that will be seen by Euclid



Simulated Catalogs

- Empirical SEDs with various attenuation laws are used to fit COSMOS photometry (13 broad bands) and by keeping the redshift of the sources
- Simulated catalogs generated from the modeled magnitudes in any filterset: $ugriz + riz + YJH$

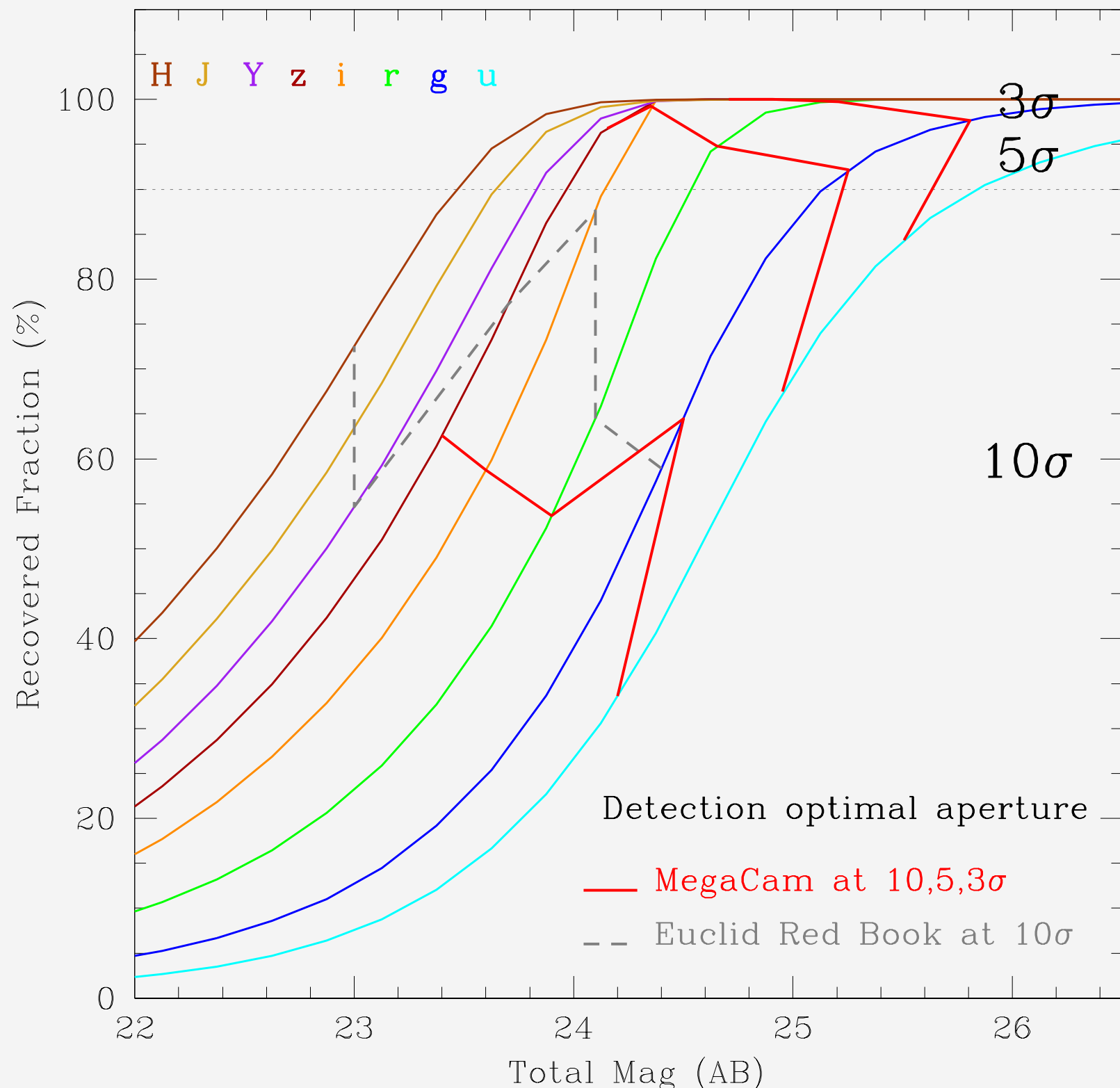


Simulated Catalogs

How deep do we need to go in optical ?

see JCC talk !

Cumulative distributions for $r_{\text{iz}} \leq 24.5$



based on CFHT constraints
we adopt this definition:

- * ~60% of riz sources will be detected in griz bands with a S/N~10

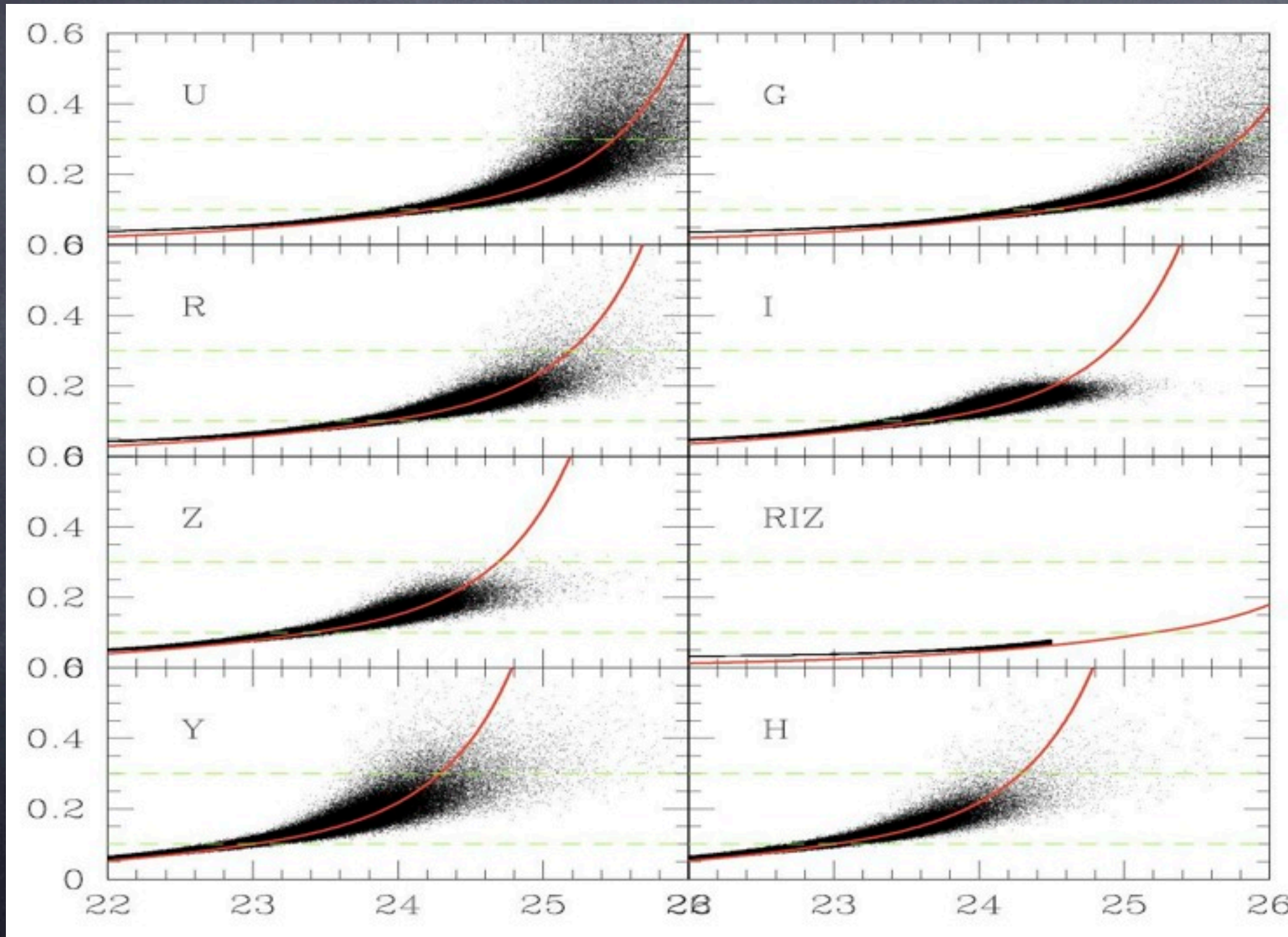
⇒ similar to YJH !

- * less than Euclid Red Book but provides a high recovery in all bands at 5 σ .

- * shallower in u band (half the S/N of griz bands)

Mock Catalog

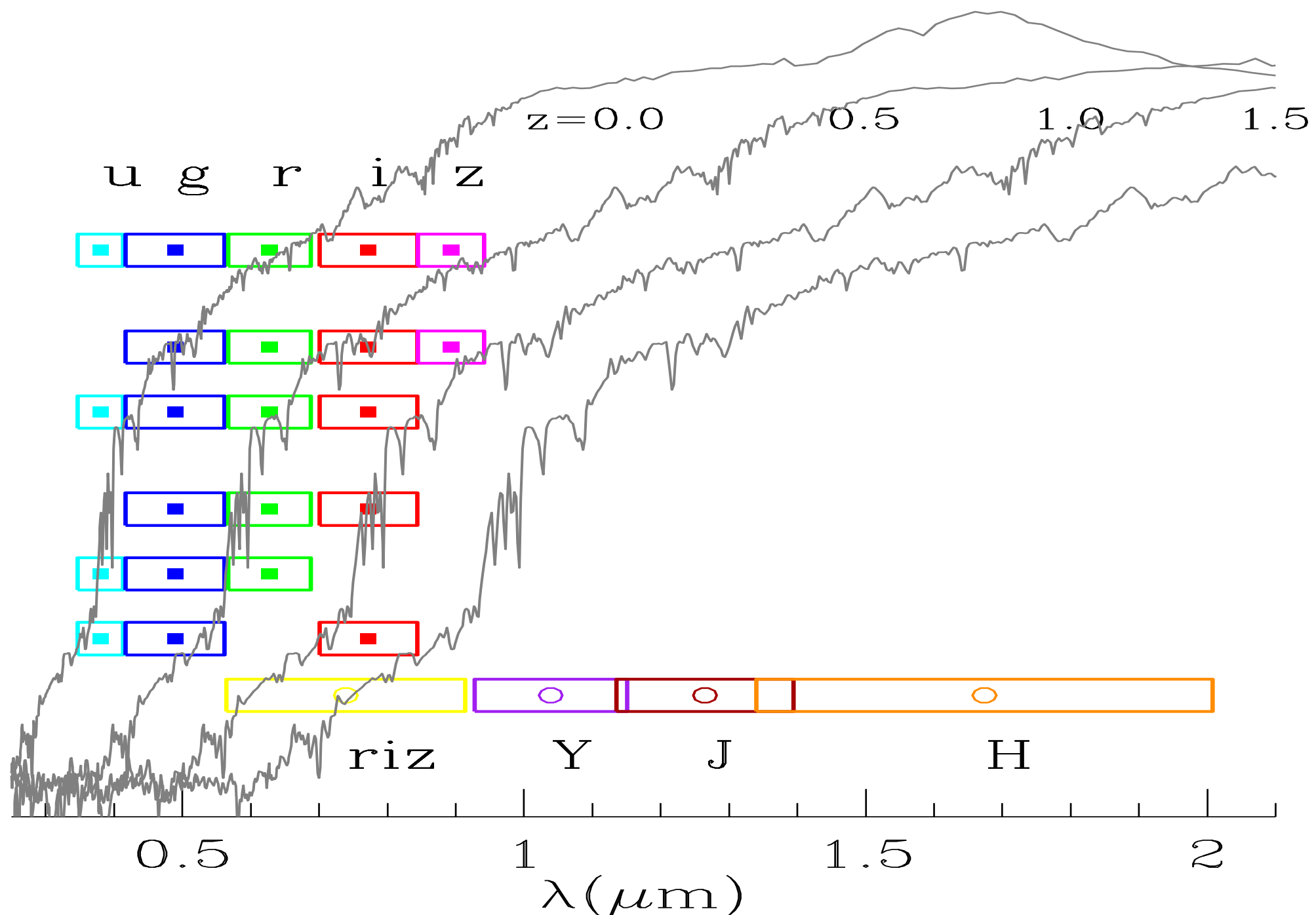
- Adopting the above constraints we generated mock catalogs with the expected S/N vs Mag
- Upper limits (defined at 5σ) are assigned for galaxies with $S/N \leq 1$



Filter	S/N~10
u	24.2
g	24.5
r	23.9
i	23.6
z	23.4
riz	25.2
Y	23
J	23
H	23

Photometric Redshifts

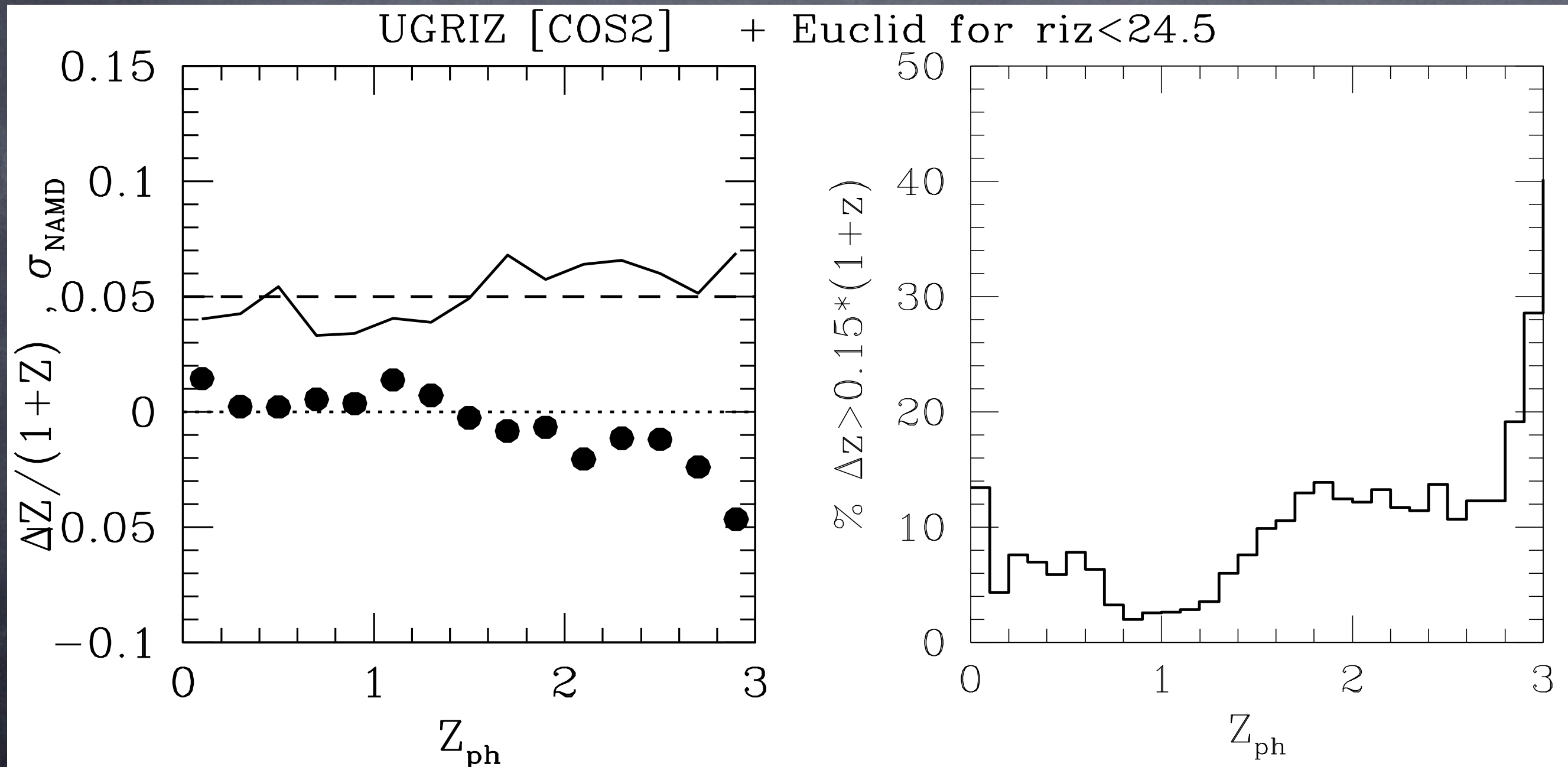
- run LePhare code with a subset of SEDs & E(B-V) reddening excess
- use Euclid configuration + different optical filter combinations



Reference catalogs : ugriz + riz + YJH

- Photo-z based on a subset of COSMOS templates (half) & less extinctions

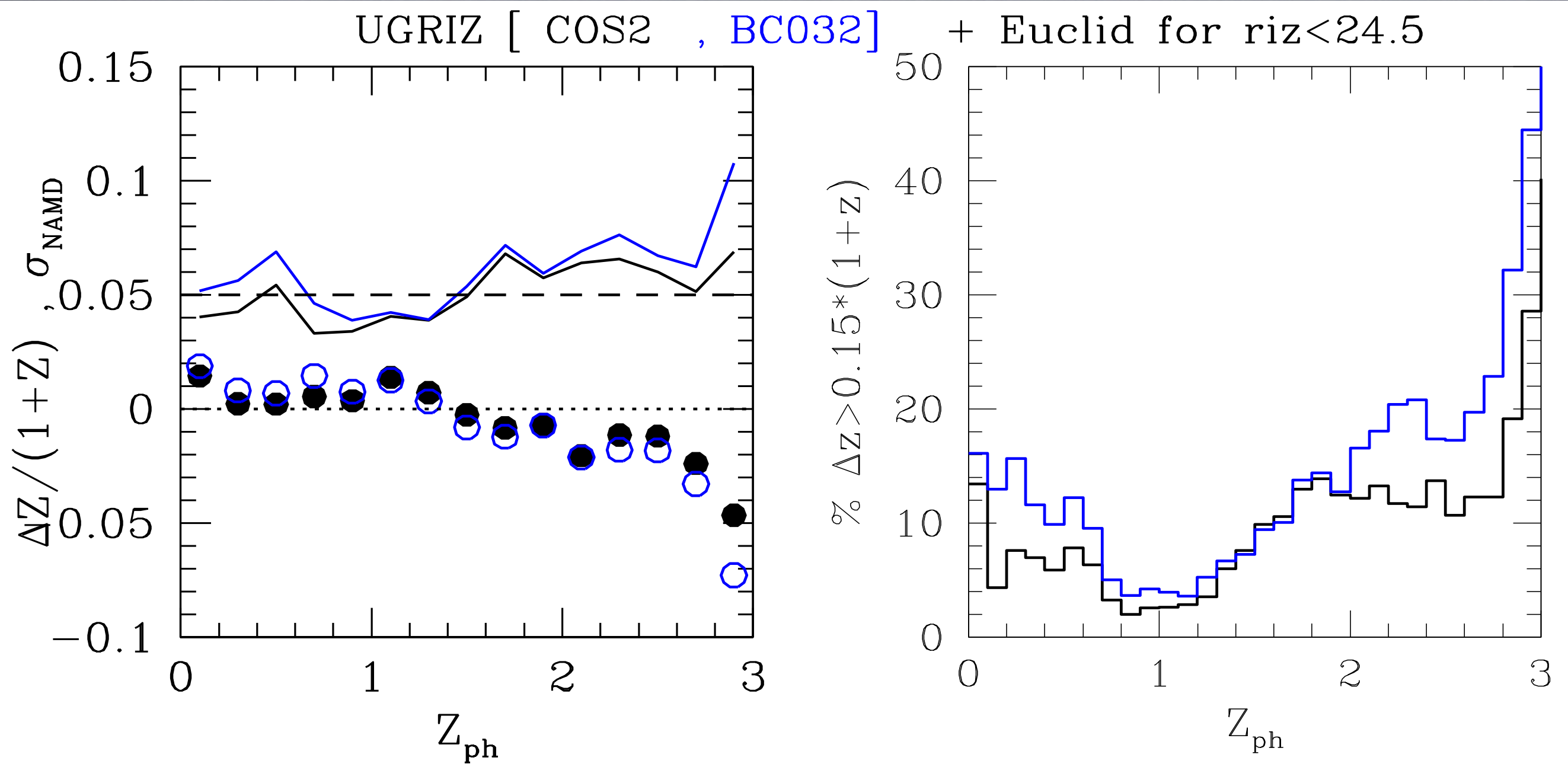
Bias (Δz) , dispersion (σ) and fraction of catastrophic redshifts (fcat)



- UGRIZ + Euclid gives good results at $z < 1.5$ (i.e. 85 % of sources) and acceptable at $1.5 < z < 2$

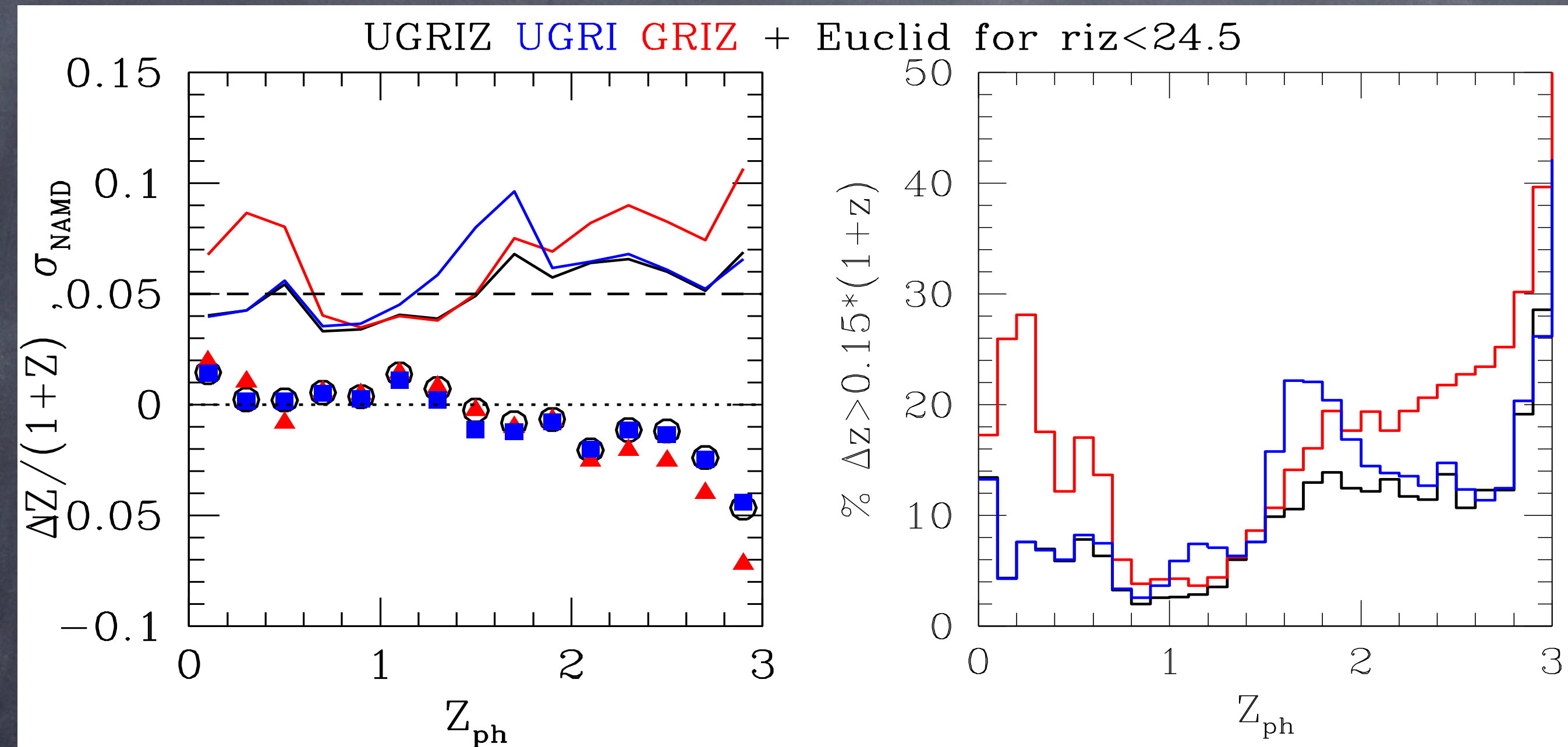
Reference catalogs : impact of SEDs in Mock

- Sensitivity of our analysis to the Input Mock Catalogs ?
 - COS SEDs based on set of empirical SEDs (Ilbert+,09)
 - BC03 SEDs from a spectro-photometric synthesis model (BC+03)



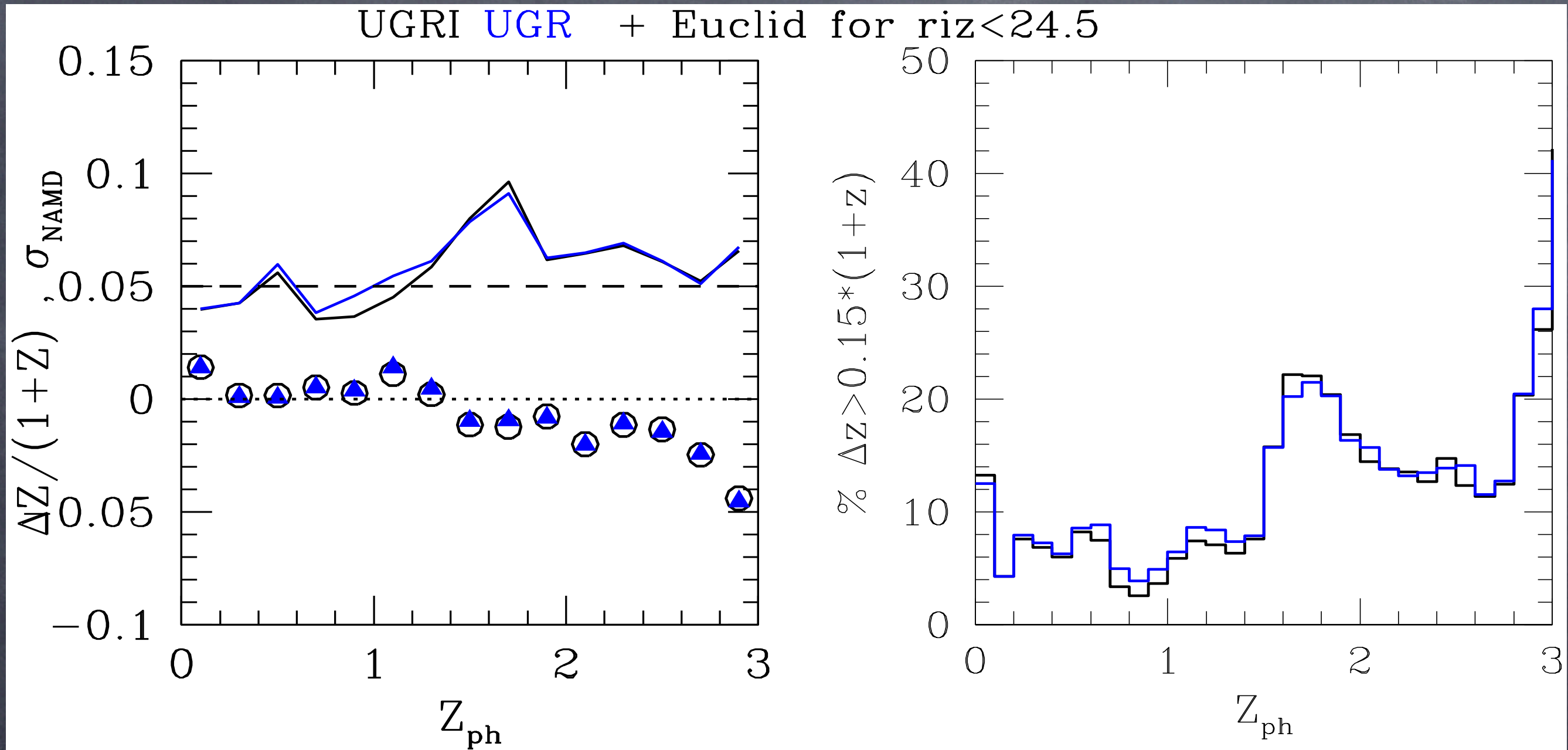
- The pessimist case still close to the Euclid requirements !

MegaCam Filterset : ugri vs griz ?



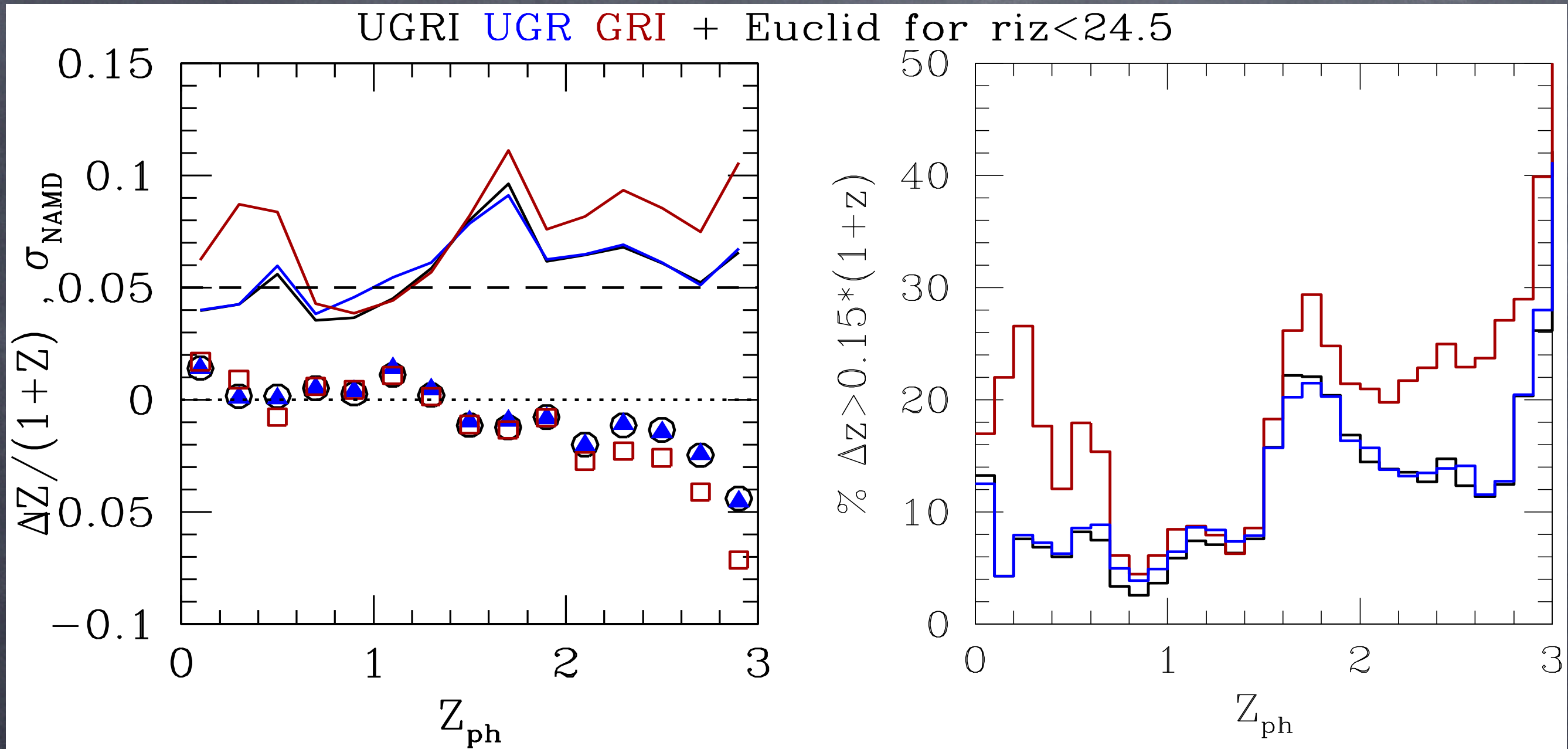
- UGRI gives excellent results at $Z < 1.2$ (i.e. for 75% of galaxies) but degrades in $1.5 < z < 1.8$ ($\sigma > 0.08$, $\text{fc} > 15\%$) before getting optimal at $z > 1.8$
- GRIZ significantly worse at $Z < 0.6$ but almost optimal in $0.6 < Z < 2.0$
 - High fc at low ($Z < 0.7$) and high ($Z > 1.8$) z due to the lack of u band.

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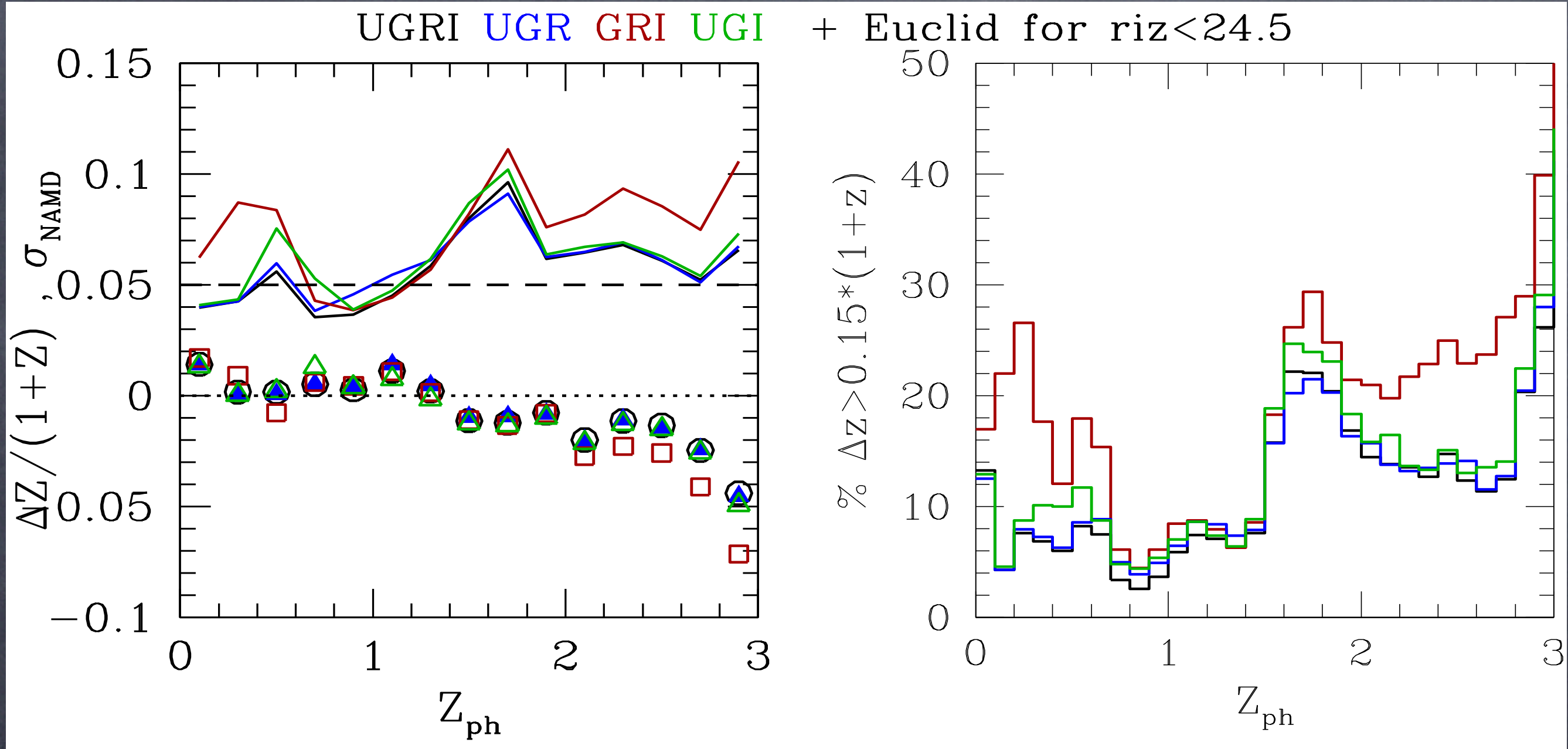
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- UGI close to UGR but slightly worse (σ , fcat) at low - high z ($z \sim 0.5$ & 1.7) [(riz-i) $\sim$ r+z filter] less meaningful information for SED

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- If a minimalist **3 bands** version for the NSLS is needed
 - UGR is the best (*but it will require only darkest time scheduling at CFHT*)
 - UGI as a weaker alternative (*easier to schedule*)

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- The above results depend critically on the expected S/N in all bands
 - deep NIR data are a key for the photo-z accuracy (*compare to CFHTLS*)
 - S/N in color extraction must be tested on real data
MegaCam/DES for optical + U-Vista in COSMOS
to mimic Euclid photometry
... in progress
- An optimal set of SED templates for photo-z measurements is not yet available. It will depend on the available photometry and spectroscopic calibration sample.
(*difficult to estimate now its performance*)

NSLS without Euclid

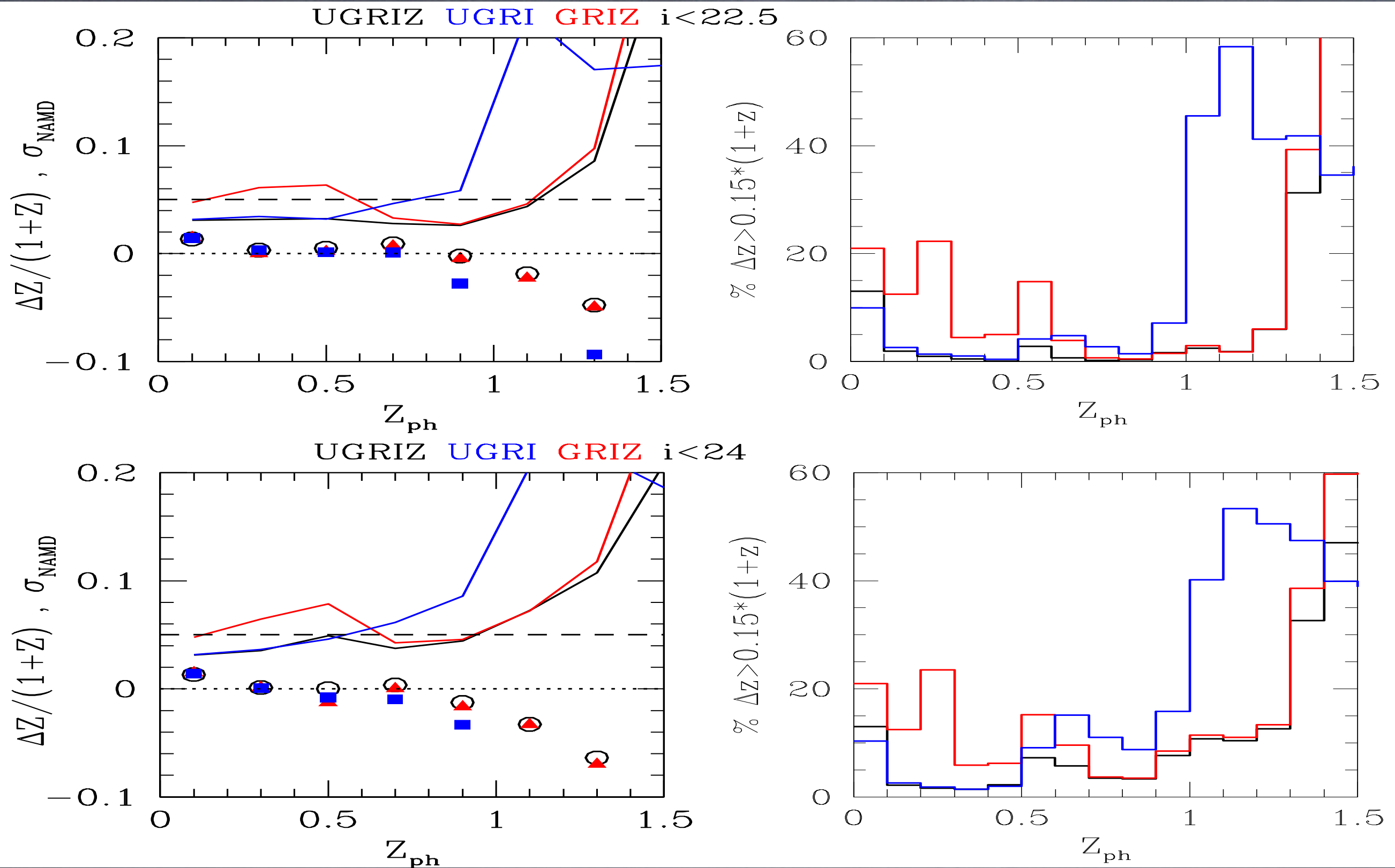


Photo-z for UGRIZ, UGRI, GRIZ and no Euclid photometry ($i < 22.5$, $i < 24$)
 good accuracy and fcat below $z=1$ (UGRI) and $z=1.2$ (GRIZ)

NSLS with BC03-Mock catalogs

