



# Hi-GAL

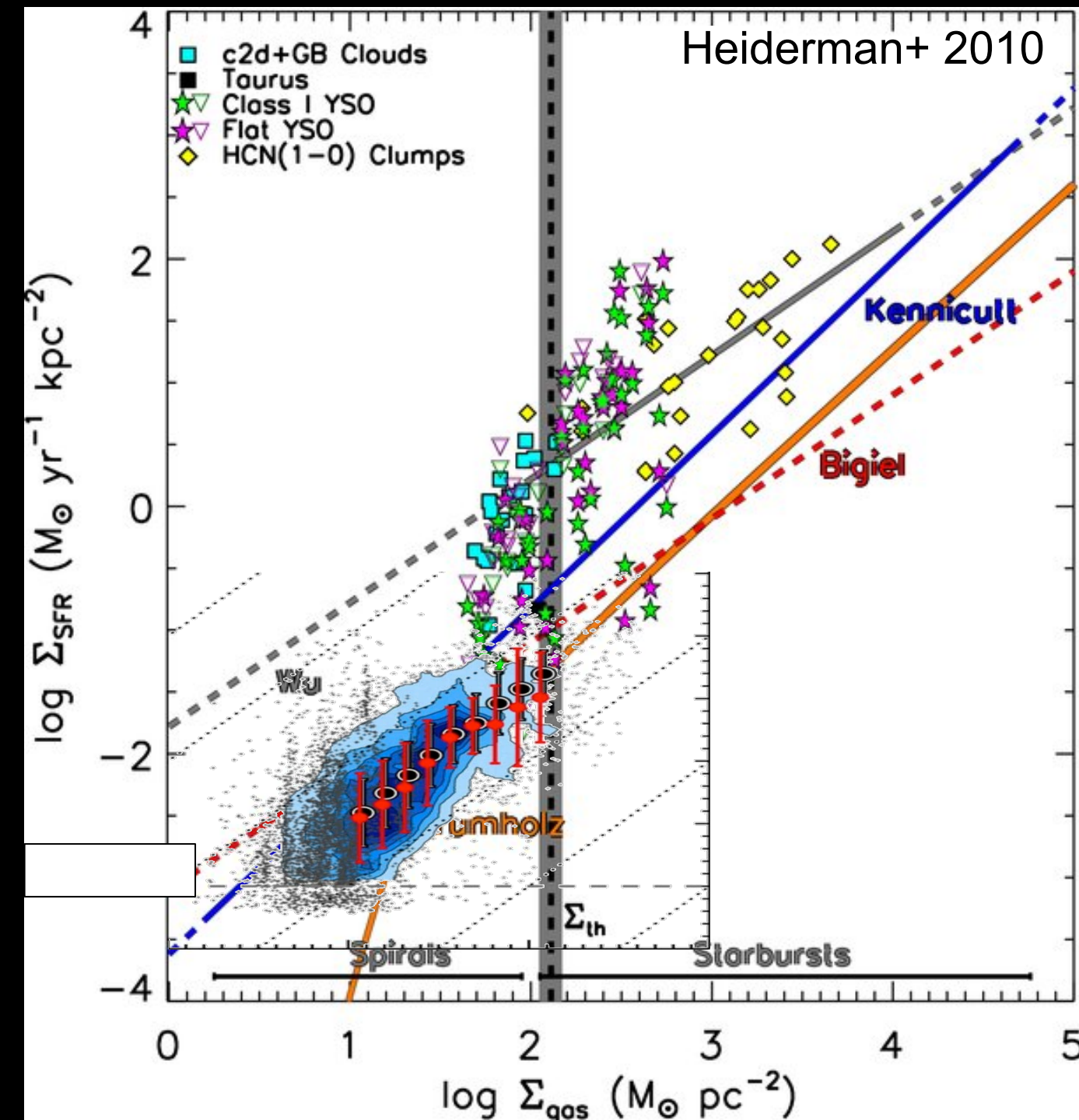
## The Milky Way as a Star Formation Engine

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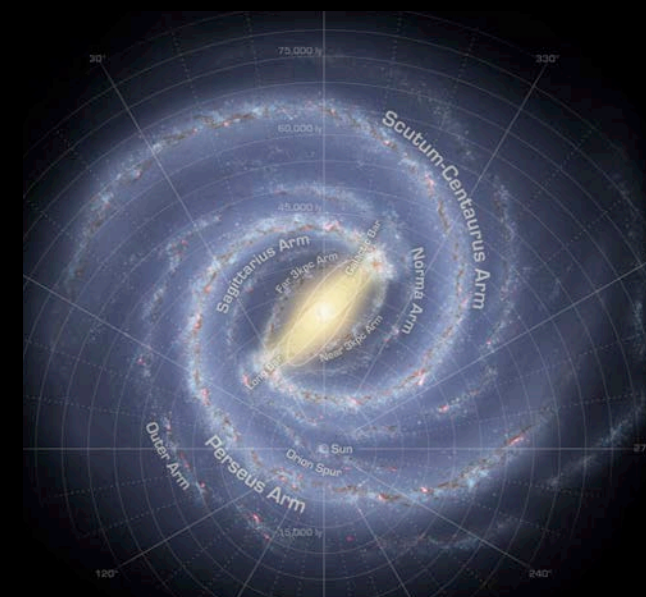


# Basic Rationale for star-formation-driven large Galactic Surveys



**Aim:** Identify the critical parameters that govern the formation and evolution of dense cluster-forming clumps within the diversity of environmental conditions:

- Spontaneous/triggered SF ?
- Star Formation on/off Filaments ?
- Depending on the position in the Galaxy
- w.r.t. Spiral Arms
- etc.



understand if & how the mix of the ingredients conspire to determine a global Star Formation law



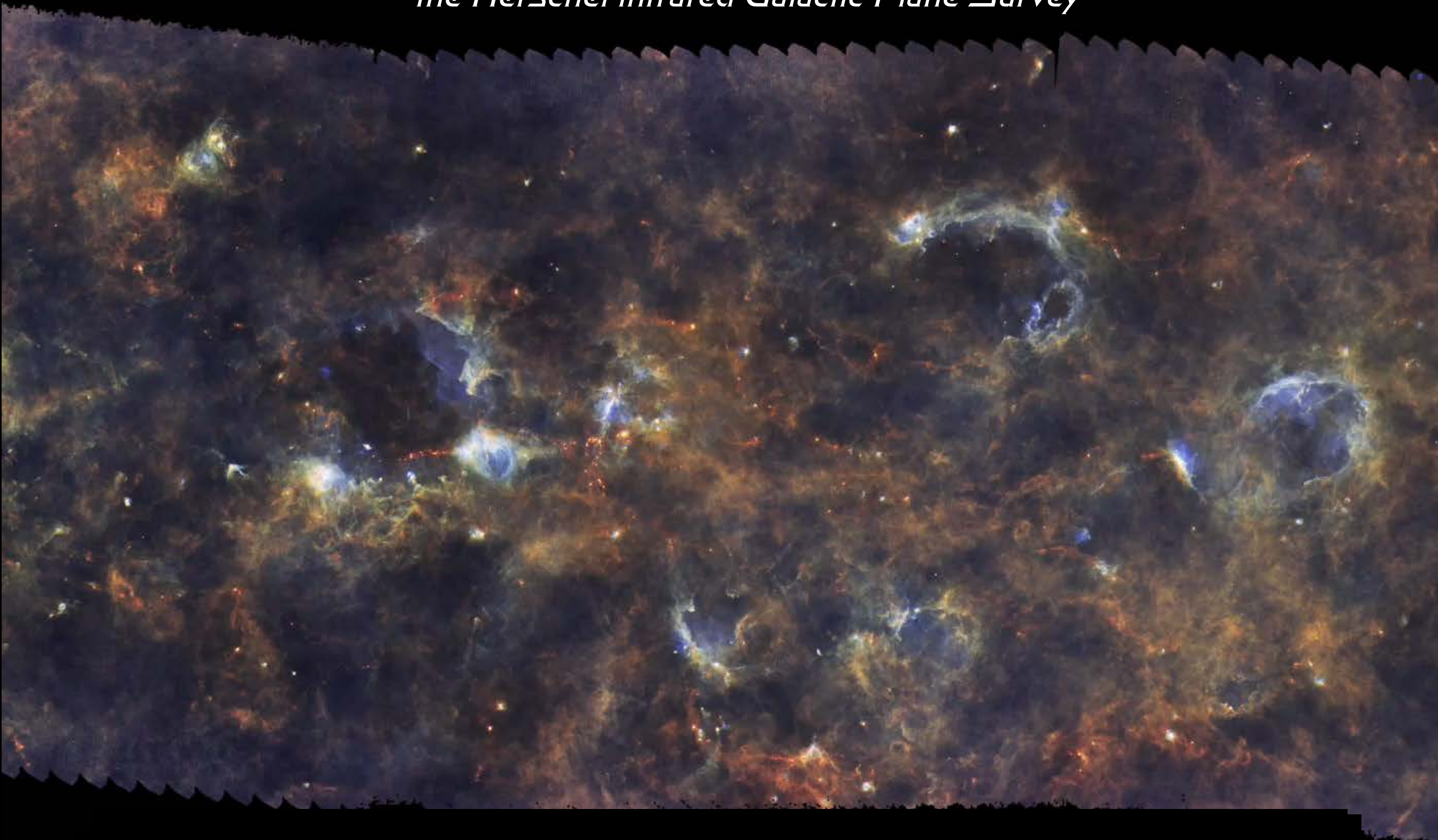
# SurveysSurveysSurveysSurveysSurveysSurveys...

Table 1: List of most representative surveys covering the Galactic Plane

Surveys facilities	$\lambda$ or lines	Surveys notes
Ground-based		
Columbia/CfA DRAO/ATCA/VLA	CO, $^{13}\text{CO}$ HI-21 cm OH/H $\alpha$ -RRL/1- 2GHz cont. 5GHz cont.	9 - 25' resolution ( <i>Dame et al.</i> , 2001) IGPS: unbiased HI-21cm $255^\circ \leq l \leq 357^\circ$ and $18^\circ \leq l \leq 147^\circ$ ( <i>McClure-Griffiths et al.</i> , 2001; <i>Gibson et al.</i> , 2000; <i>Stil et al.</i> , 2006) + THOR: unbiased HI-21cm/OH/H $\alpha$ -RRLs/1-2GHz cont. $15^\circ \leq l \leq 67^\circ$ (Beuther et al. in prep.)+ CORNISH: 5GHz continuum $10^\circ \leq l \leq 65^\circ$ ( <i>Hoare et al.</i> , 2012) 55'' resolution. Galactic Ring Survey ( <i>Jackson et al.</i> , 2006) + Outer Galaxy Survey ( <i>Heyer et al.</i> , 1998)
FCRAO 14 m	CO, $^{13}\text{CO}$	HOPS: ( <i>Walsh et al.</i> , 2011; <i>Purcell et al.</i> , 2012), MALT90: $\sim 2000$ clumps $20^\circ \geq l \geq -60^\circ$ ( <i>Foster et al.</i> , 2013), Southern GPS CO: unbiased $305^\circ \leq l \leq 345^\circ$ ( <i>Burton et al.</i> , 2013), ThrUMMS: unbiased $300^\circ \leq l \leq 358^\circ$ ( <i>Barnes et al.</i> , 2013), CMZ: ( <i>Jones et al.</i> , 2012, 2013)
Mopra 22 m	CO, $^{13}\text{CO}$ , N $_2\text{H}^+$ , (NH $_3$ + H $_2\text{O}$ ) maser, HCO $^+$ /H $^{13}\text{CO}^+$ + others	Methanol MultiBeam Survey ( <i>Green et al.</i> , 2009) NGPS: unbiased, $200^\circ \leq l \leq 60^\circ$ ( <i>Mizuno and Fukui</i> , 2004) + NASCO: unbiased in progress, $160^\circ \leq l \leq 80^\circ$
Parkes NANTEN/ NANTEN2 CSO 10 m	CH $_3\text{OH}$ maser CO, $^{13}\text{CO}$ , C $^{18}\text{O}$ 1.3 mm continuum	Bolocam Galactic Plane Survey (BGPS), 33'' ( <i>Aguirre et al.</i> , 2011)
APEX 12 m	870 $\mu\text{m}$ continuum	ATLASGAL, $60^\circ \geq l \geq -80^\circ$ ( <i>Schuller et al.</i> , 2009)
Space-borne		
IRAS	12, 25, 60 and 100 $\mu\text{m}$ cont.	3-5', 96% of the sky
MSX	8.3, 12.1, 14.7, 21.3 $\mu\text{m}$ cont.	Full Galactic Plane ( <i>Price et al.</i> , 2001)
WISE	3.4, 4.6, 11, 22 $\mu\text{m}$ continuum	All-sky ( <i>Wright et al.</i> , 2010)
Akari	65, 90, 140, 160 $\mu\text{m}$ continuum	All-sky ( <i>Ishihara et al.</i> , 2010)
Spitzer	3.6, 4.5, 6, 8, 24 $\mu\text{m}$ continuum	GLIMPSE+GLIMPSE360: Full Galactic Plane ( <i>Benjamin et al.</i> , 2003), ( <i>Benjamin and GLIMPSE360 Team</i> , 2013) + MIPS GAL, $63^\circ \geq l \geq -62^\circ$ ( <i>Carey et al.</i> , 2009)
Planck	350, 550, 850, 1382, 2098, 3000, 4285, 6820, $10^4$ $\mu\text{m}$ cont.	All-sky, resolution $\geq 5'$ ( <i>Planck Collaboration et al.</i> , 2013a)
Herschel	70, 160, 250, 350, 500 $\mu\text{m}$ cont.	Hi-GAL: Full Galactic Plane ( <i>Molinari et al.</i> , 2010a)

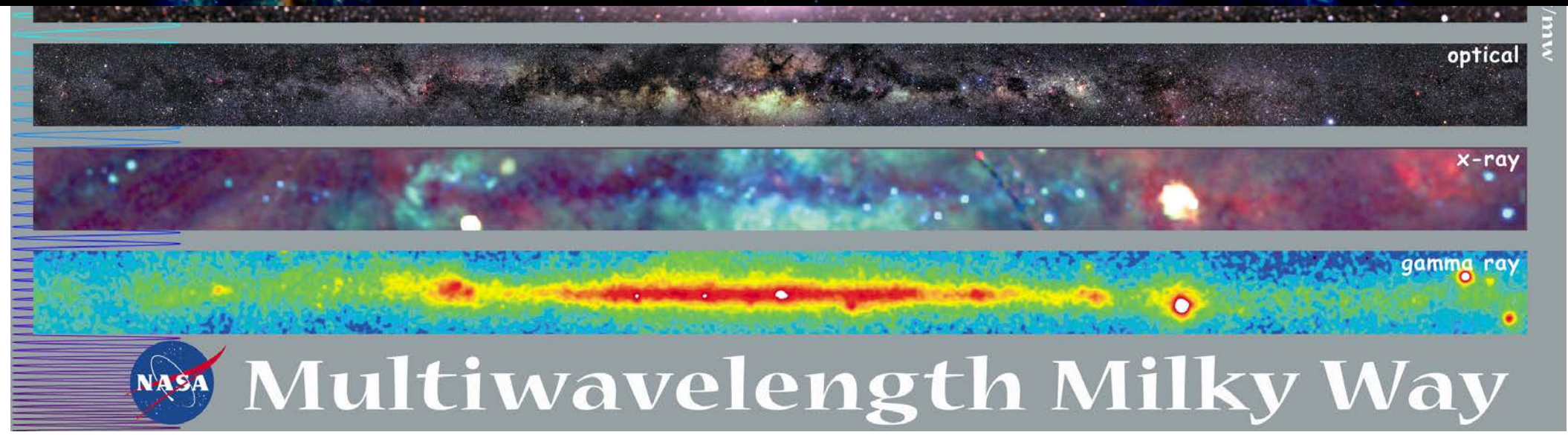
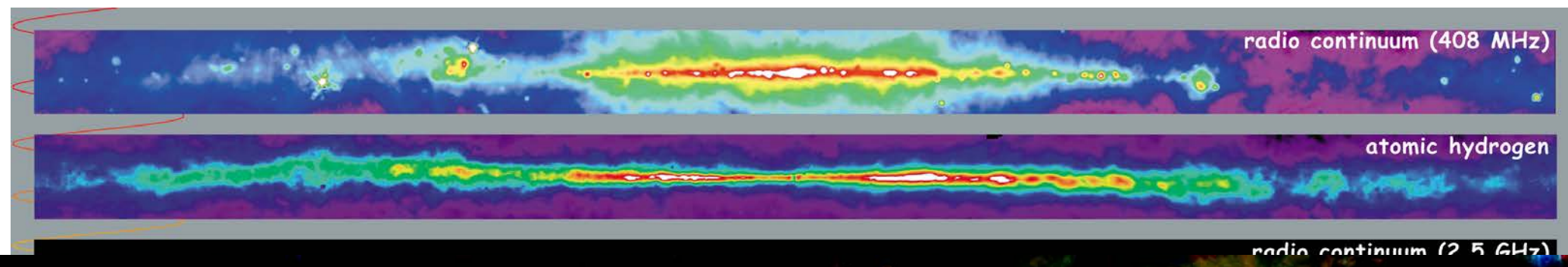


*the Herschel infrared Galactic Plane Survey*



from cold starless clumps to hot HII Regions





Multiwavelength Milky Way

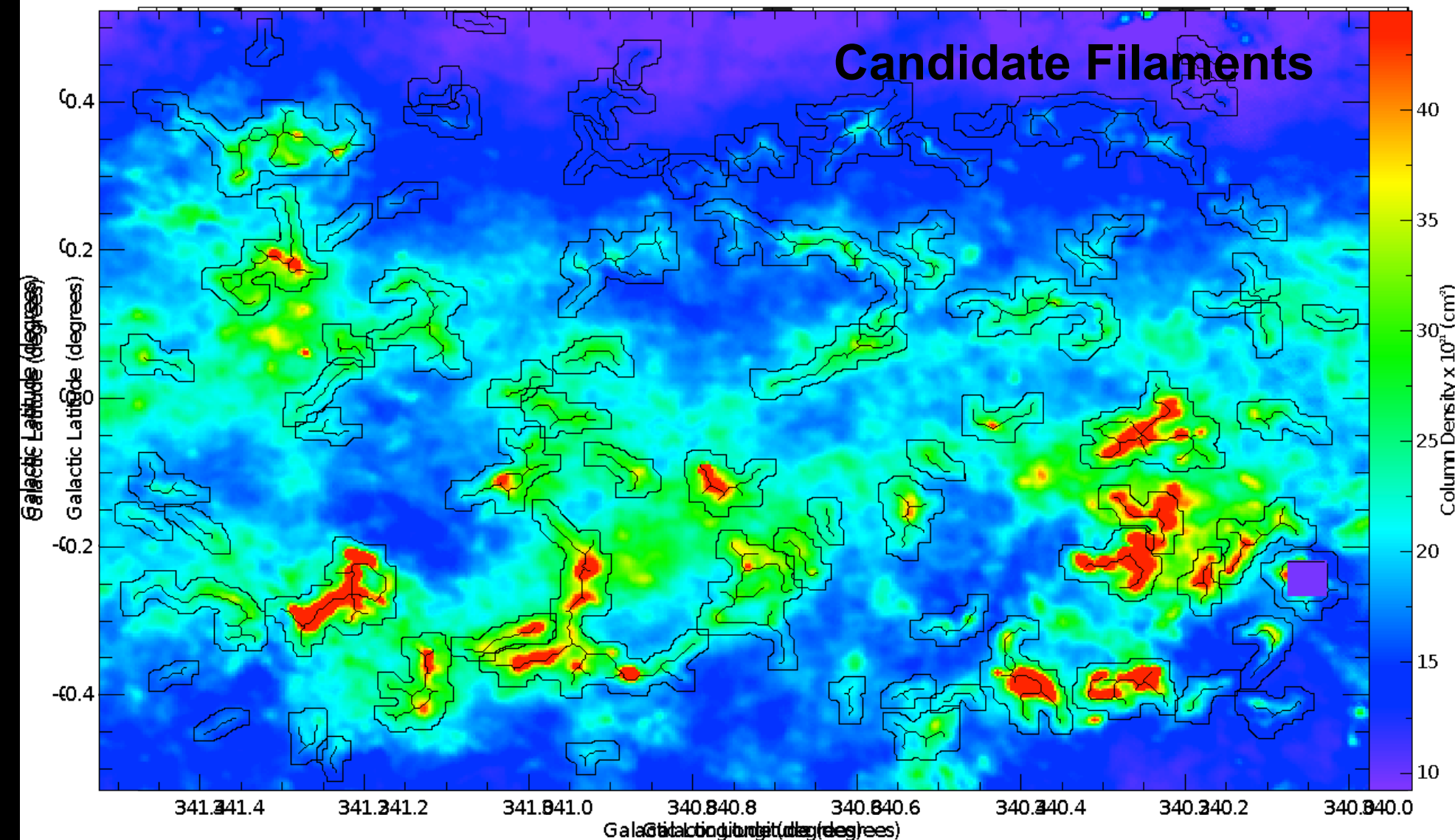


# The filamentary Milky Way



Example for a  $1.5^\circ \times 1^\circ$  region

**Candidate Filaments**



Schisano et al. 2014

**KEY SHAPE  
PARAMETERS:**

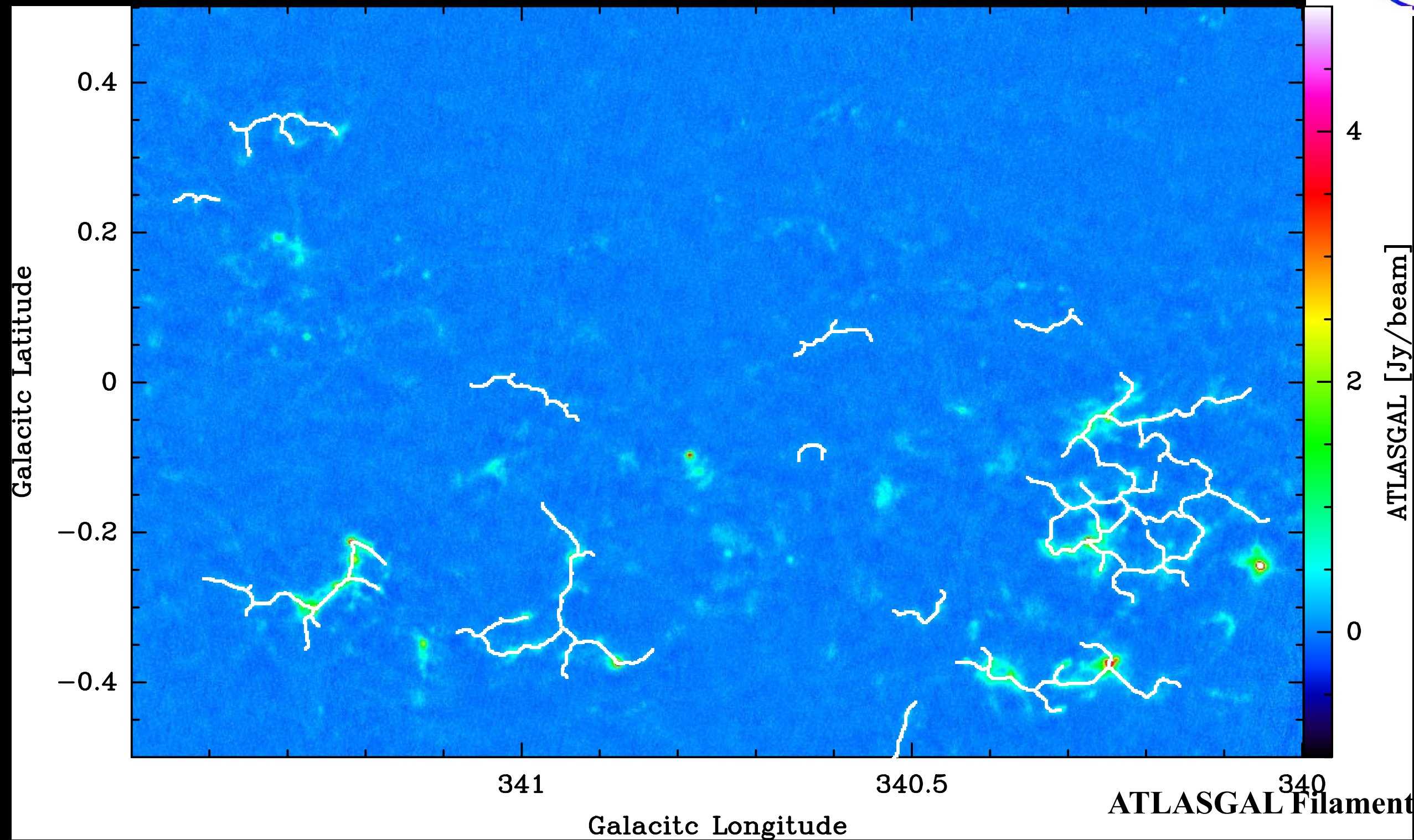
- ) elongated
- ) extended
- ) contrasted

Tool applied to the entire dataset of Hi-GAL data building up an extensive catalogue of candidate filaments

The catalogue contains both single isolated linear filaments and large complex networks: a total of **32245** candidates in the Galactic Plane (Schisano+, subm.)

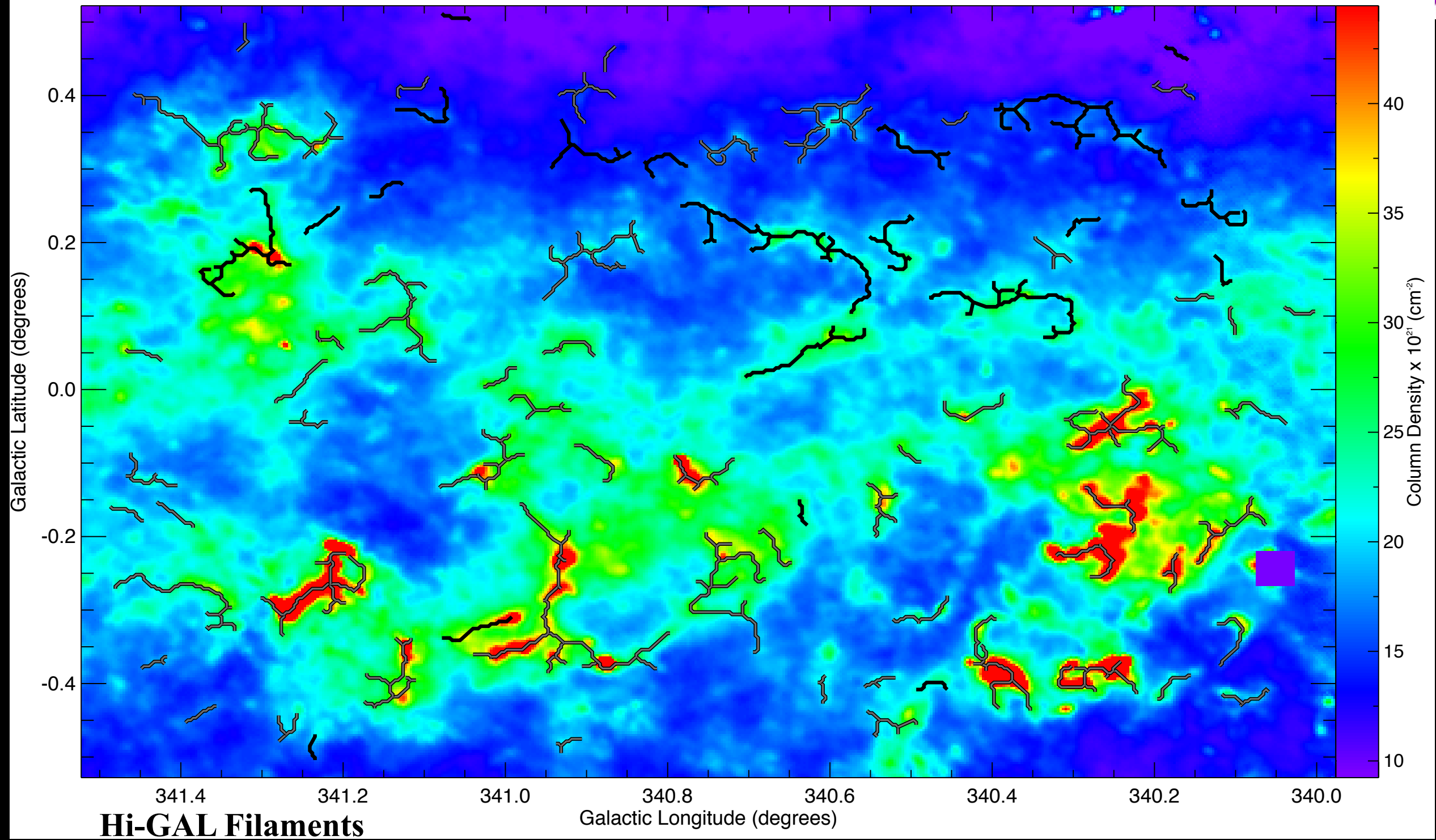


# Comparison Hi-GAL/ATLASGAL filaments





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# Velocity Coherence of 2D filaments

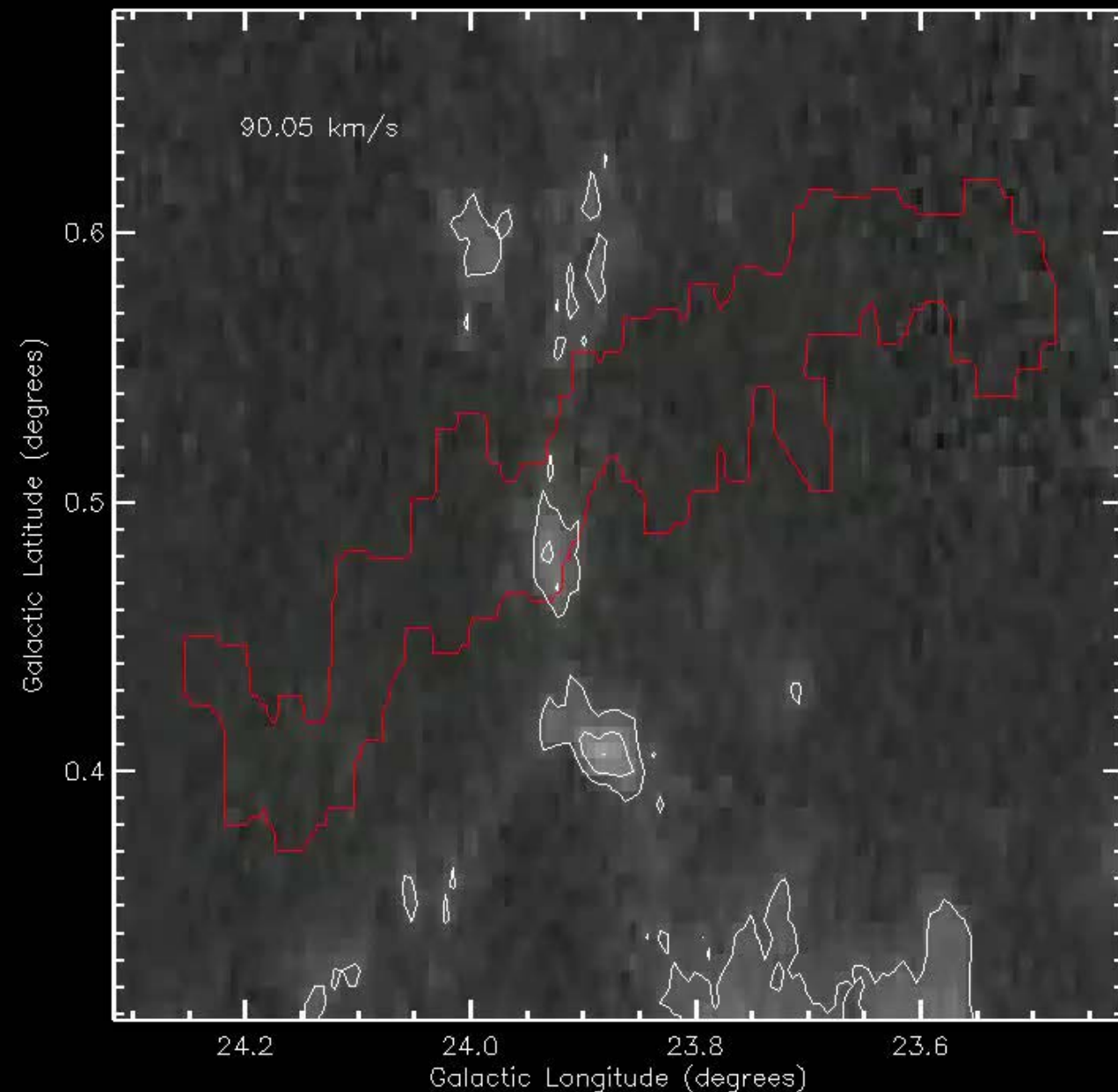


Exploring molecular line data looking for coherence in velocity space.

Looking for overlap between filament mask and contours of molecular line emission.

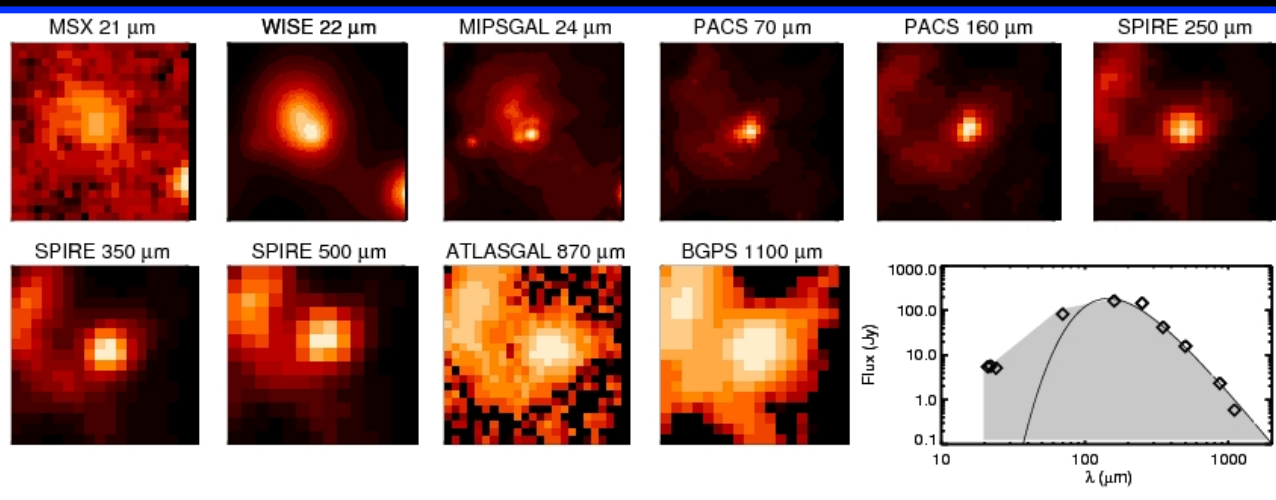
Schisano et al. 2019, in prep.

- On GRS data ~2300 features with  $^{13}\text{CO}$  emission and velocity coherence  $\Delta v < 4 \text{ km/s}$
- Expanding by two orders of magnitude the sample already identified visually (few~10) (Ragan et al 2014, Wang et al 2015, Zucker et al. 2015).
- Analysis extended to other surveys: SEDIGISM, MOPRA, EXFC, OGS, FQS.

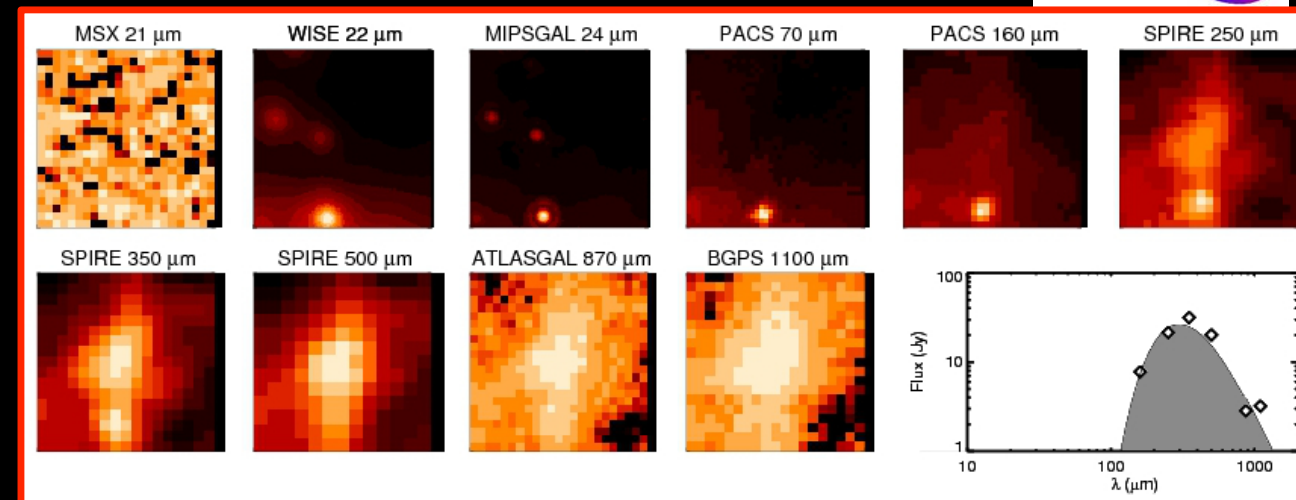




# Compact sources on the Galactic Plane

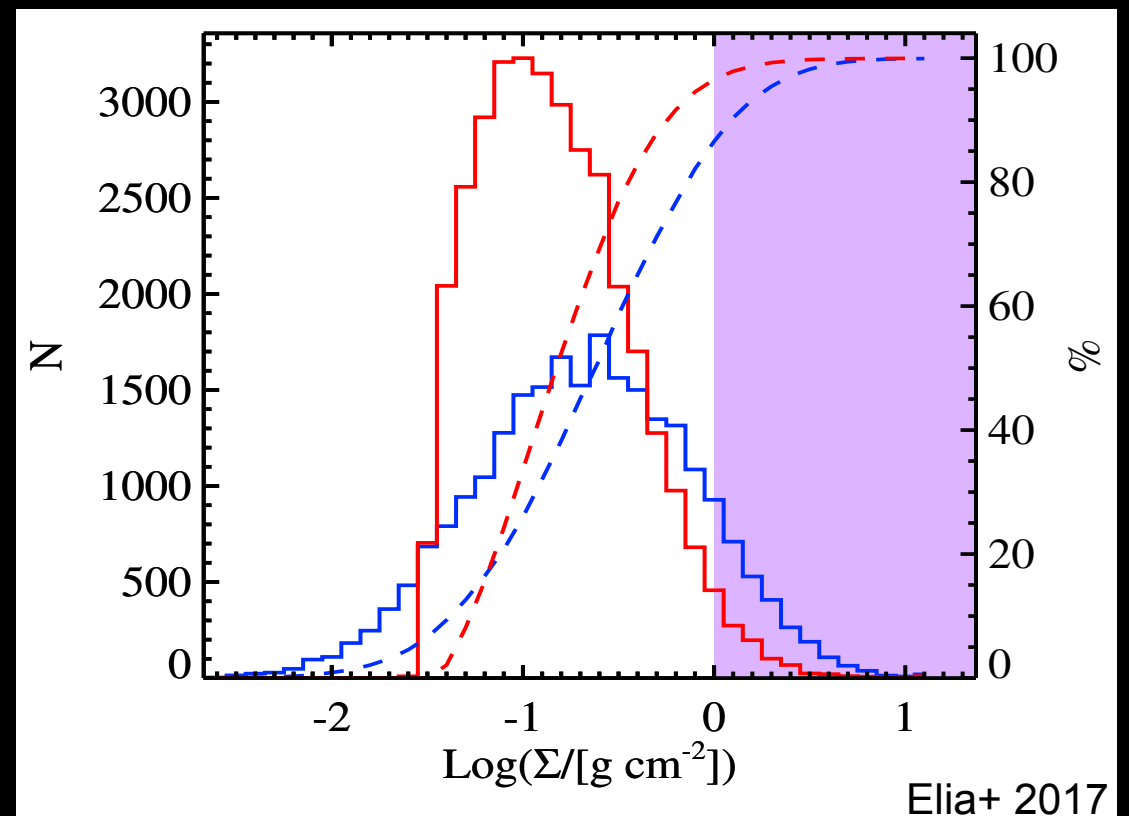
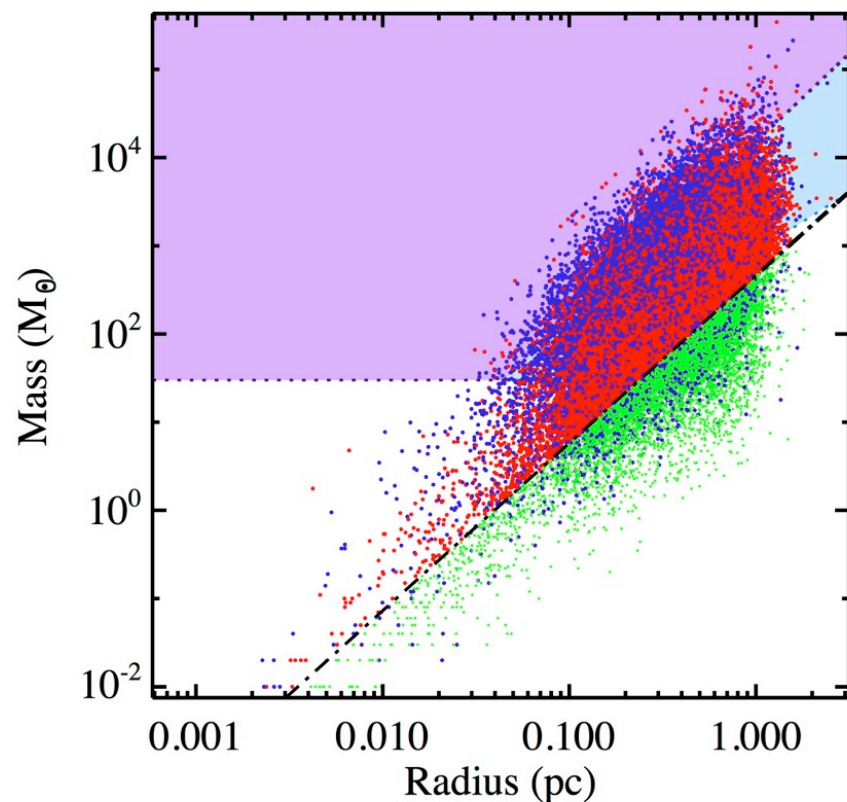


Proto-stellar sources



Pre-stellar sources

Nearly 150,000 compact clumps revealed (Elia+ 2017, 2019 in prep.)  
Each source in Far-IR/submm single-dish surveys is a dense clump  
potentially hosting a protocluster in the making



Elia+ 2017



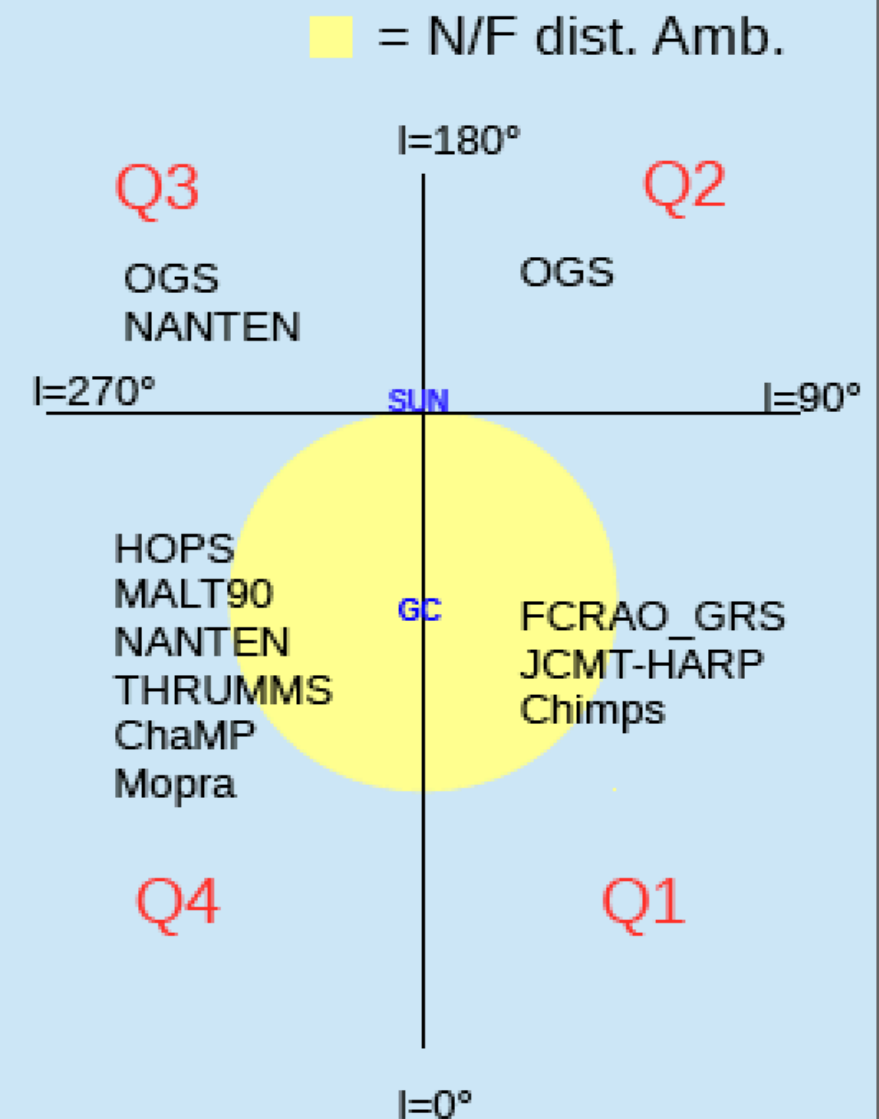
## Kinematical analysis of radio spectroscopic surveys

### The VIALACTEA knowlegde database :

- CHaMP (HCO+ 1-0)
- HOPS (H<sub>2</sub>O 6-1-6\_5-2-3 , NH<sub>3</sub> 1-1\_1-1, NH<sub>3</sub> 2-2\_2-2)
- FCRAO\_GRS (13CO 1-0)
- MALT90 (HCO+ 1-0, HCN 1-0, N<sub>2</sub>H+ 1-0, HNC 1-0)
- THRUMMS (12CO 1-0, 13CO 1-0, C18O 1-0)
- NANTEN (12CO 1-0)
- OGS (12CO 1-0, 13CO 1-0)
- JCMT-HARP (12CO 3-2)
- Mopra CO survey (12CO 1-0, 13CO 1-0)
- CHIMPS (13CO 3-2, C18O 3-2)
- VGPS (HI 21cm)
- CGPS (HI 21cm)

### The general automatic process :

- Sub-cube extraction => around a source
- Profile fitting => velocities
- Morphological analysis => adopted velocity
- Distance hierarchical analysis

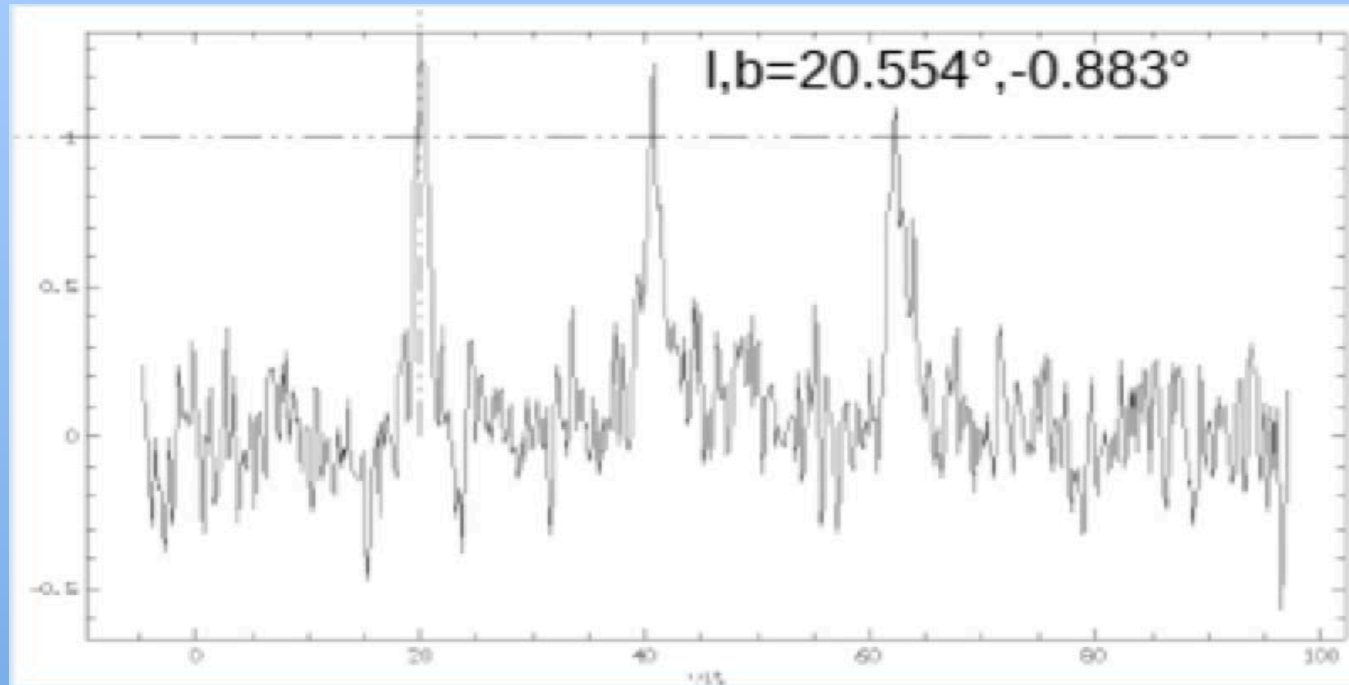




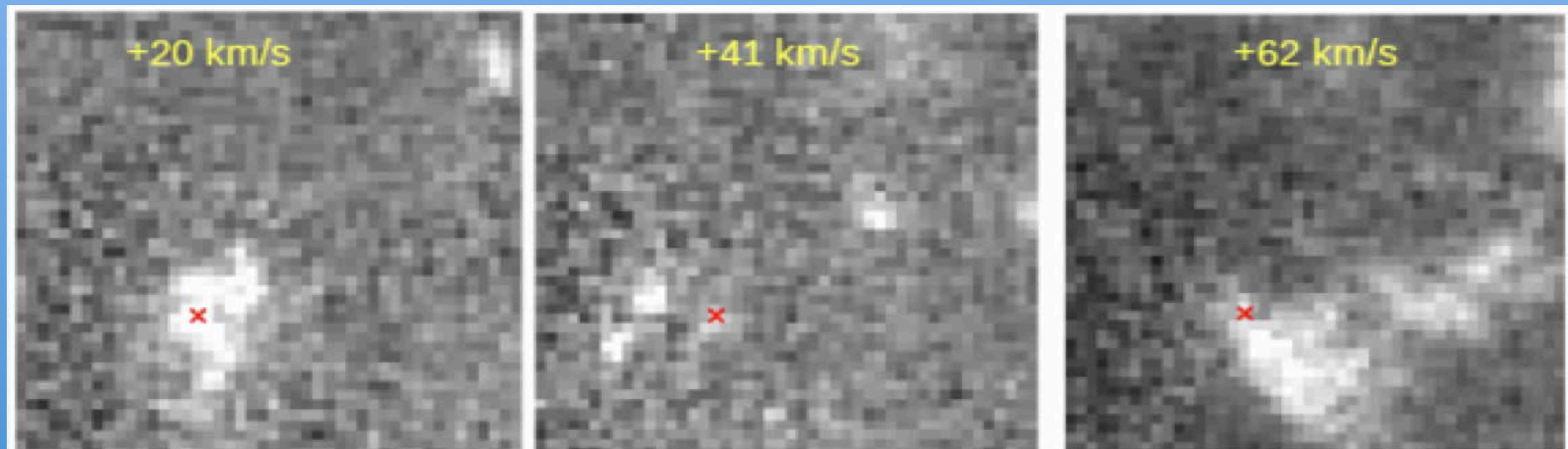
# Distance determination to Hi-GAL sources



Automated morphological analysis of line-of-sight components



Assign scores based on morphology matching to Hi-GAL clumps

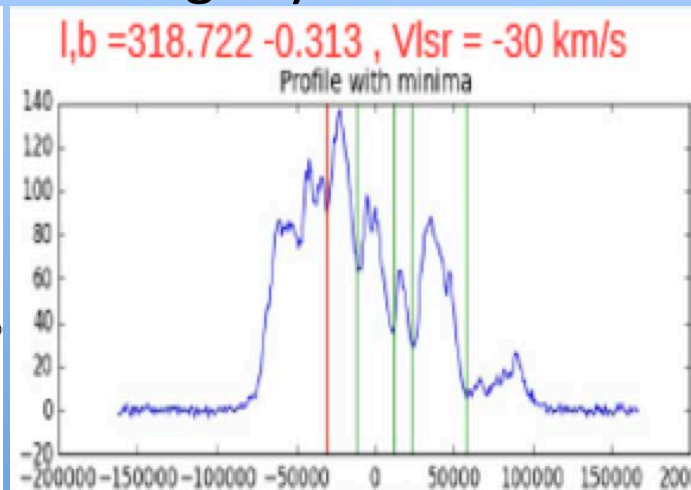
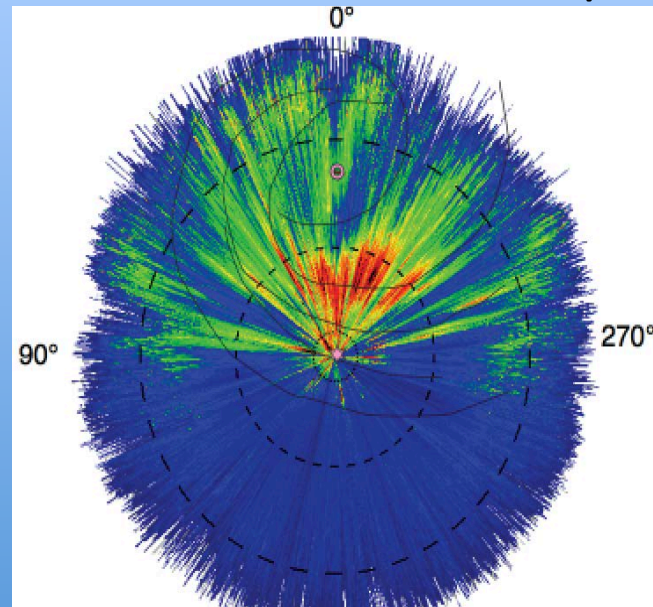




# Distance determination to Hi-GAL sources



## Near/Far ambiguity solution



HISA method: matching HI-21cm profile dips with VLSR of CO emission associated to Hi-GAL clumps

Study of 3D dust extinction (Marshall+ in prep.)

## Hierarchical Decision tree

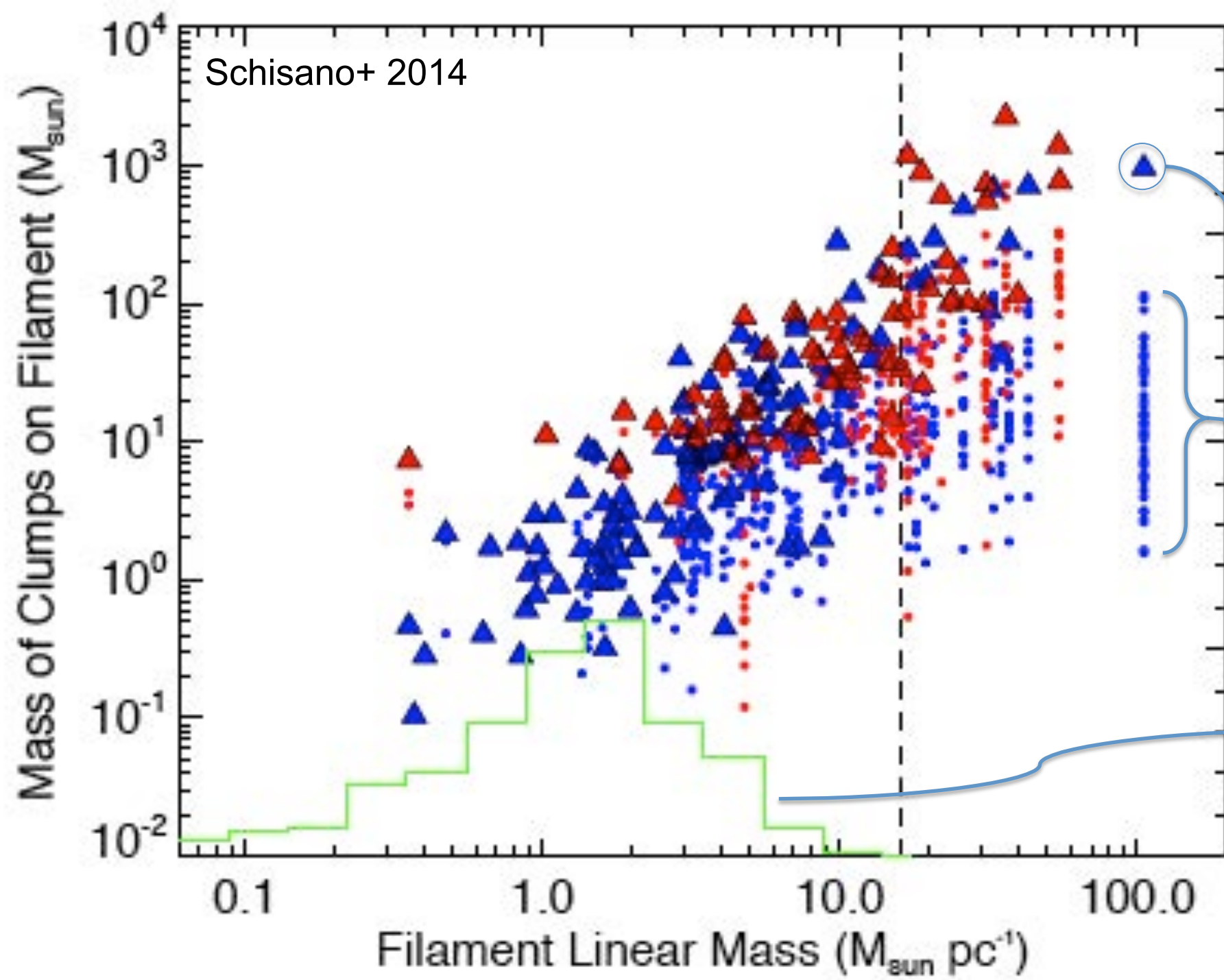
Method	Description
22	Tangent dist.
20	No dist. ambiguity
0	Maser parallaxe distance (Dist. err adopted 10 %)
1	d* grouping (Dist. err adopted 20 %)
2	d <sub>kin</sub> from extinction (d <sub>ext</sub> err. adopted 30 %)
3	d <sub>kin</sub> from KDA sol. litterature
4	d <sub>kin</sub> grouping
5	d <sub>kin</sub> from KDA sol. IRDC/DC
6	« Daugther cloud » dist/KDA sol. assignment Q4 only
7	KDA sol. from HI profile
8	d <sub>kin</sub> - Solomon method (dist. to the plane)

Flow of decision

	Nb sources	Sources with Vel. (dist.)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	No Amb	Tang	No sol.
Q1	57990	68 %	<0.5%	<2%	44%	<1%	<1%	<1%	--	--	<1%	15 %	2%	5%
Q2	15380	71 %	<0.1%	10%	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	« 60 % »	--	--
Q3	12409	69 %	<0.1%	11 %	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	« 57 % »	--	--
Q4	64438	88 %	<0.1%	2%	44%	<1%	<1%	3%	7%	--	5%	12%	8%	7%

Zavagno+, in prep.





**Total mass of clumps  
on each filament**

**Mass of individual  
clumps on filaments**

**Distribution of linear  
mass for filaments with  
NO clumps**

Do more massive clumps form on more massive filaments ? Or do filaments grow mass from the surrounding environments and channel more mass to the clumps ?

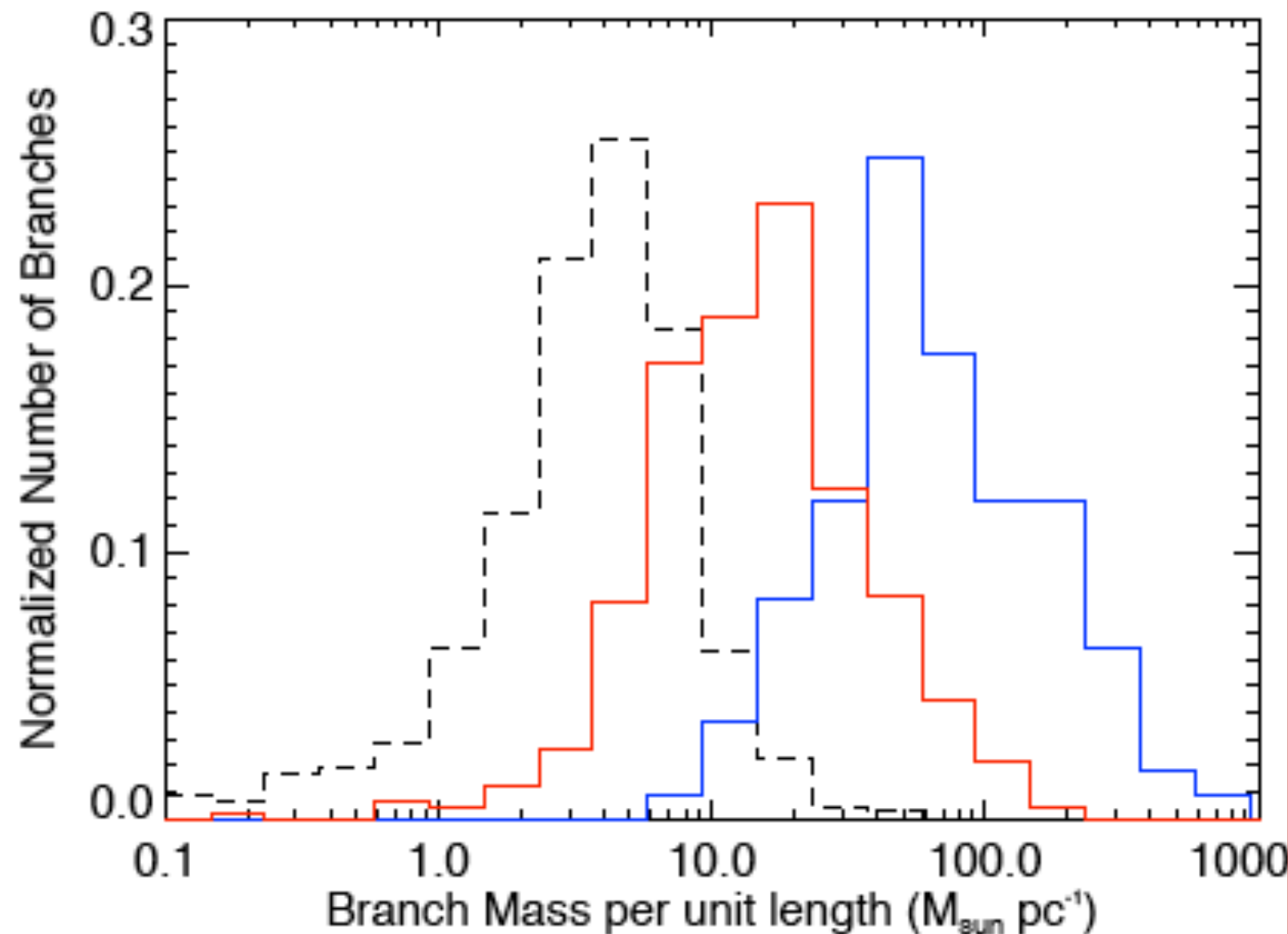


Evolutionary effects are clearly visible as a function of the filaments linear masses

**Blue:** filament branches with PROTOstellar Clumps, i.e. with a  $70\mu\text{m}$  counterpart

**Red:** filament branches with PREstellar Clumps

**Black:** filament branches with NO Clumps

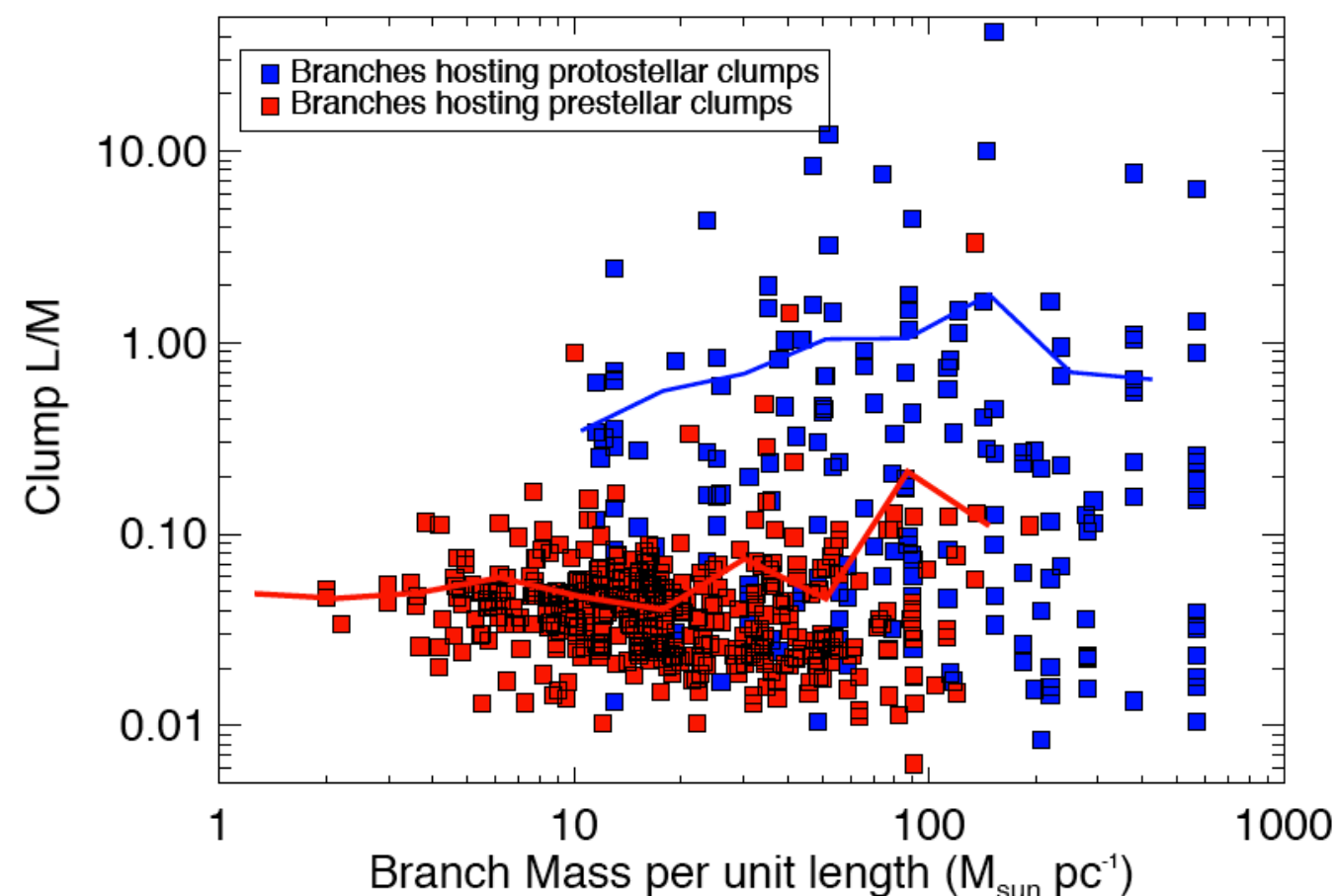


1) Accretion rates  $\approx 10^{-2}-10^{-3} M_{\odot}/\text{pc}/\text{yr}$  are needed to explain the differences in evolutionary terms (see also Kirk +13, Peretto+ 13)

or...

2) Differences in linear masses, clump masses and  $L/M$  are imprinted at the time of filament formation.

Schisano+ 2014





# Star Formation Rates from Protostellar Clumps

## counts



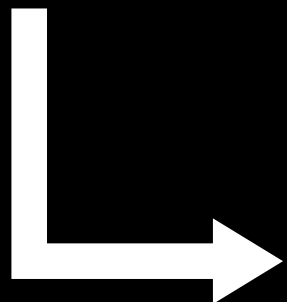
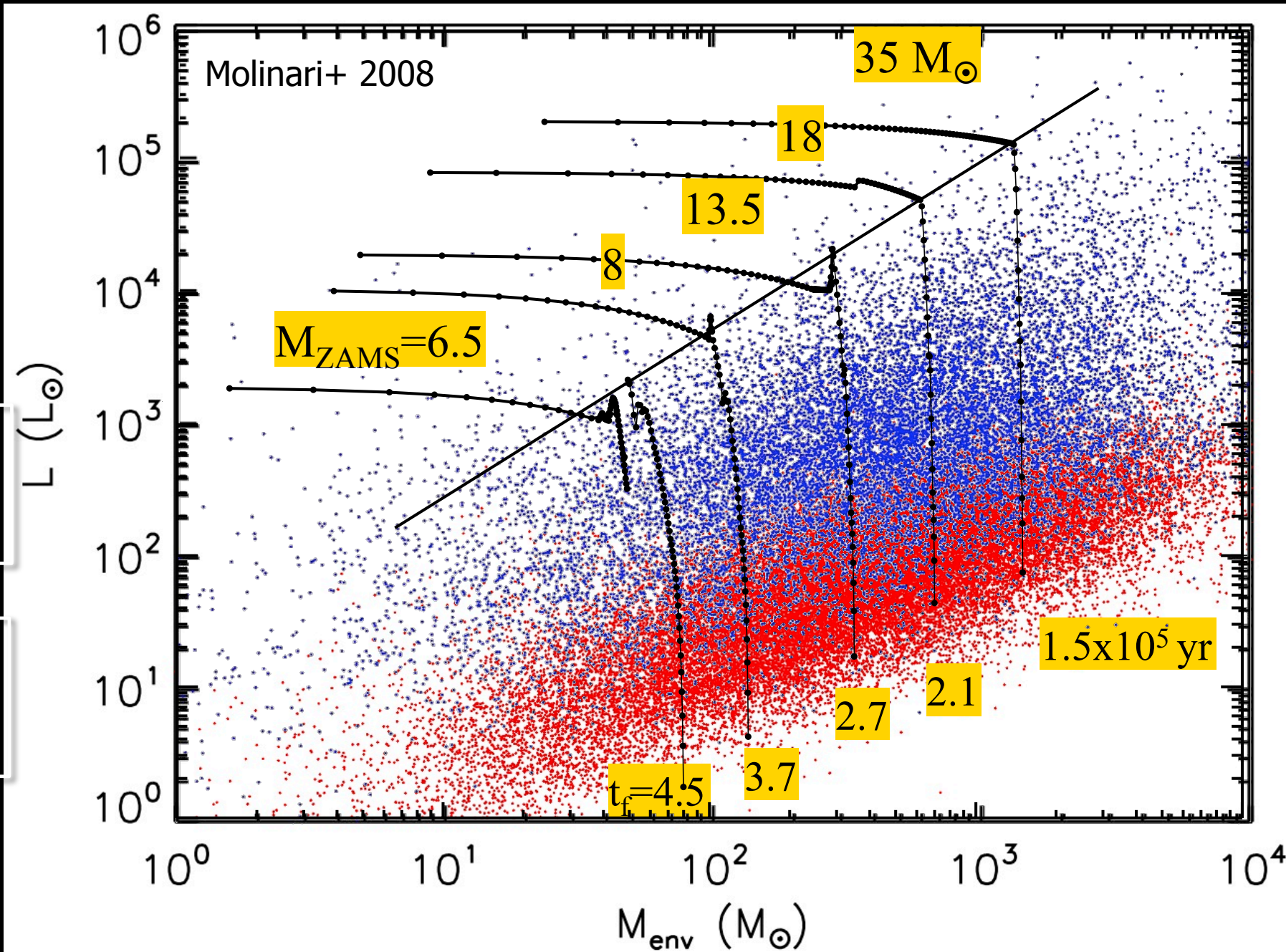
Each clump is associated to:

- final ZAMS masses  $M_{ZAMS_i}$
- formation times  $\tau_i$

$$SFR_C = \sum_i M_{i,ZAMS} / \tau_i$$

Prescriptions account for cluster formation with MC rather than single massive stars

Method calibrated against YSO-counts SFR from Gould Belt regions (Baldeschi+ 2017a,b)



$$SFR_C [M_{\odot} \text{yr}^{-1}] \sim 5.6 \cdot 10^{-7} \times M_C^{0.736}$$

Veneziani+ 2017



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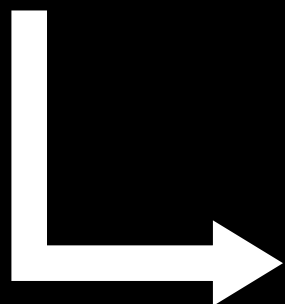
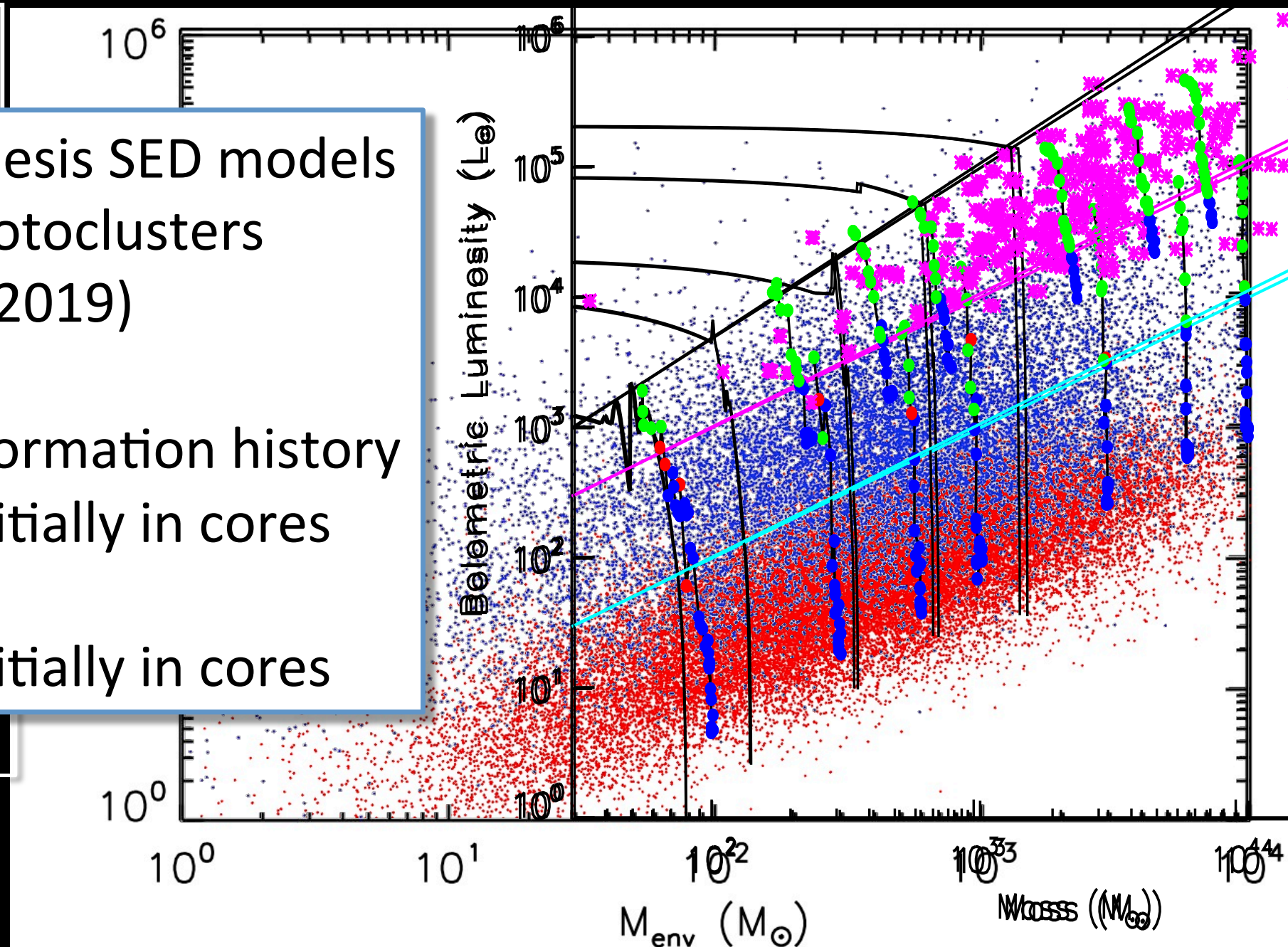
- final ZAMS masses  $M_{ZAMS}$

New population synthesis SED models  
of embedded protoclusters  
(Molinari+ 2019)

$5 \times 10^5$  years flat Star Formation history  
10% clump mass initially in cores

30% clump mass initially in cores

regions (Baldeschi+ 2017a,b)

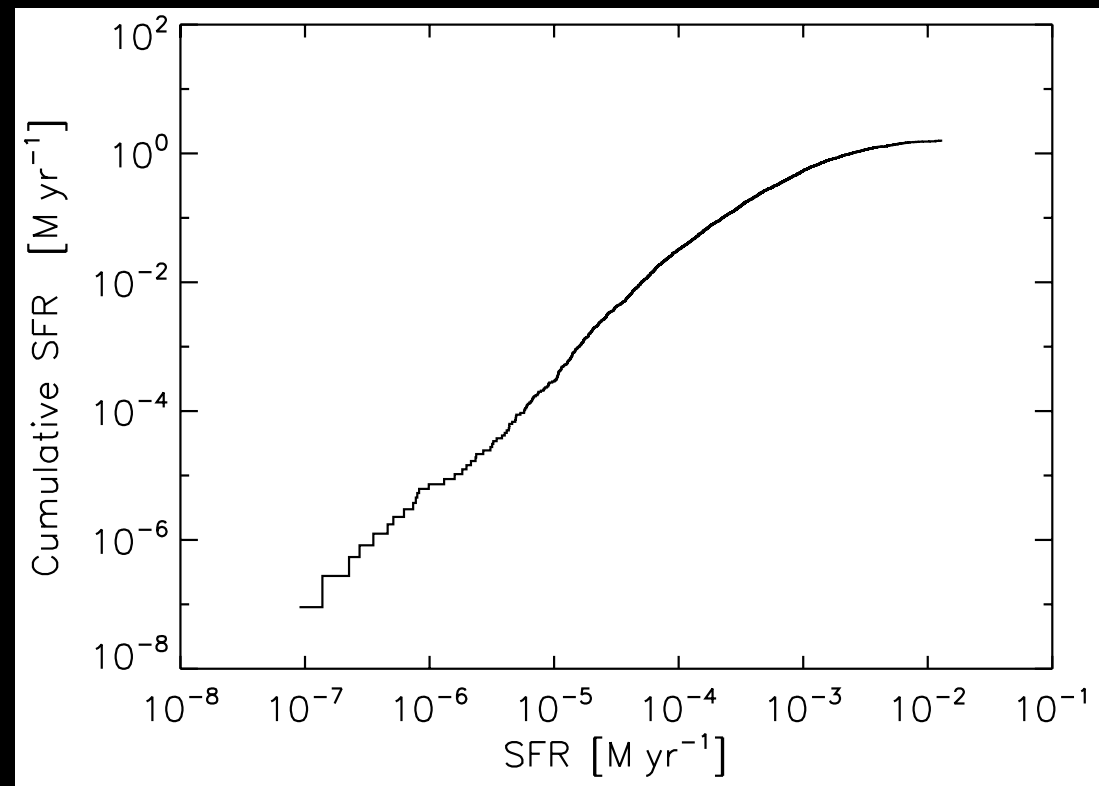


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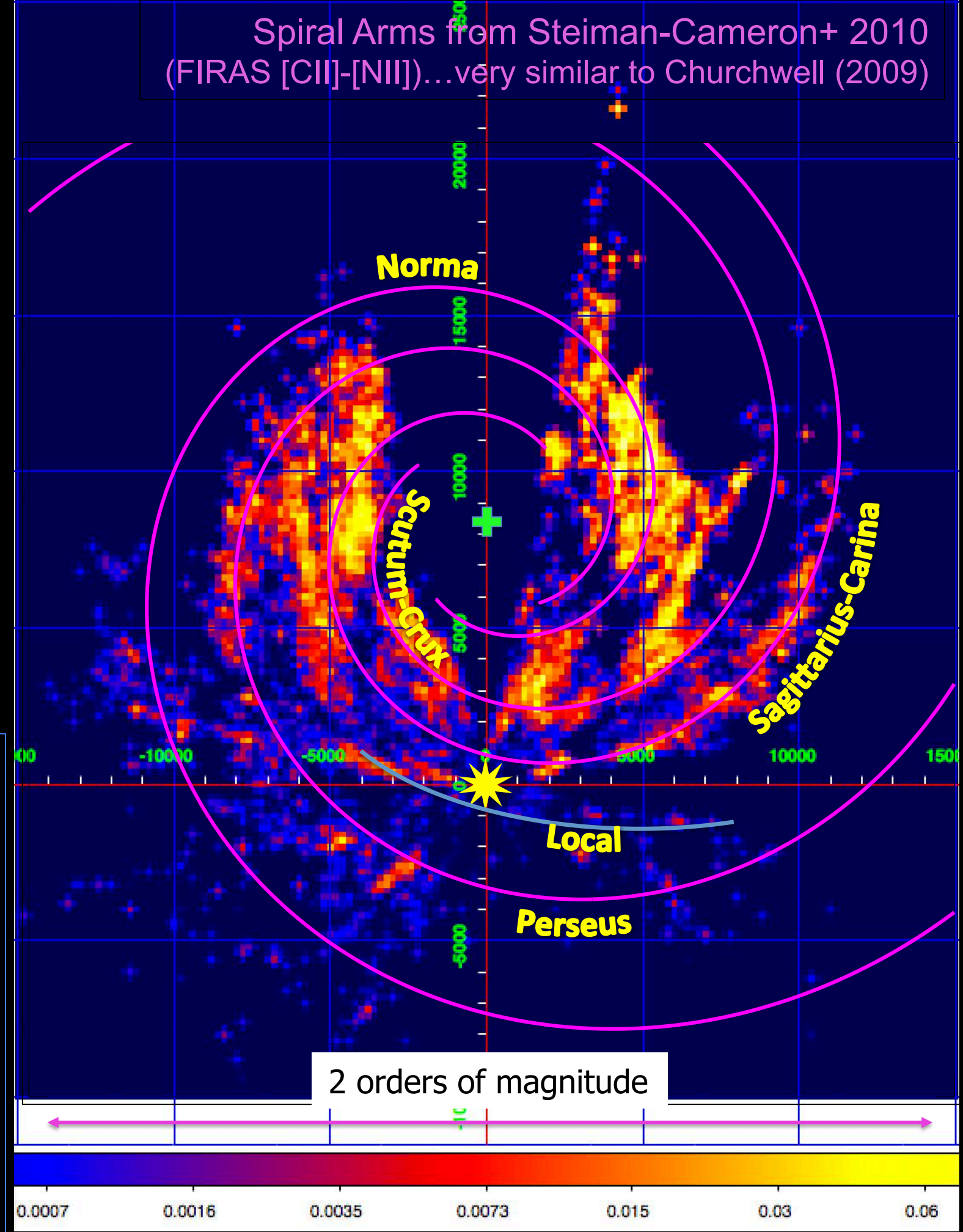
# The Milky Way Map of the Star Formation Rate



- Cumulative distribution yields an integrated **SFR  $\approx 1.6 \text{ M}_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1}$**
- 20% of the cells are contributing 65% of the total SFR
- The  $+15^\circ \geq l \geq -10^\circ$  adds  **$\approx 0.57 \text{ M}_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1}$**  assuming all clumps at  $D=8400 \text{ pc}$

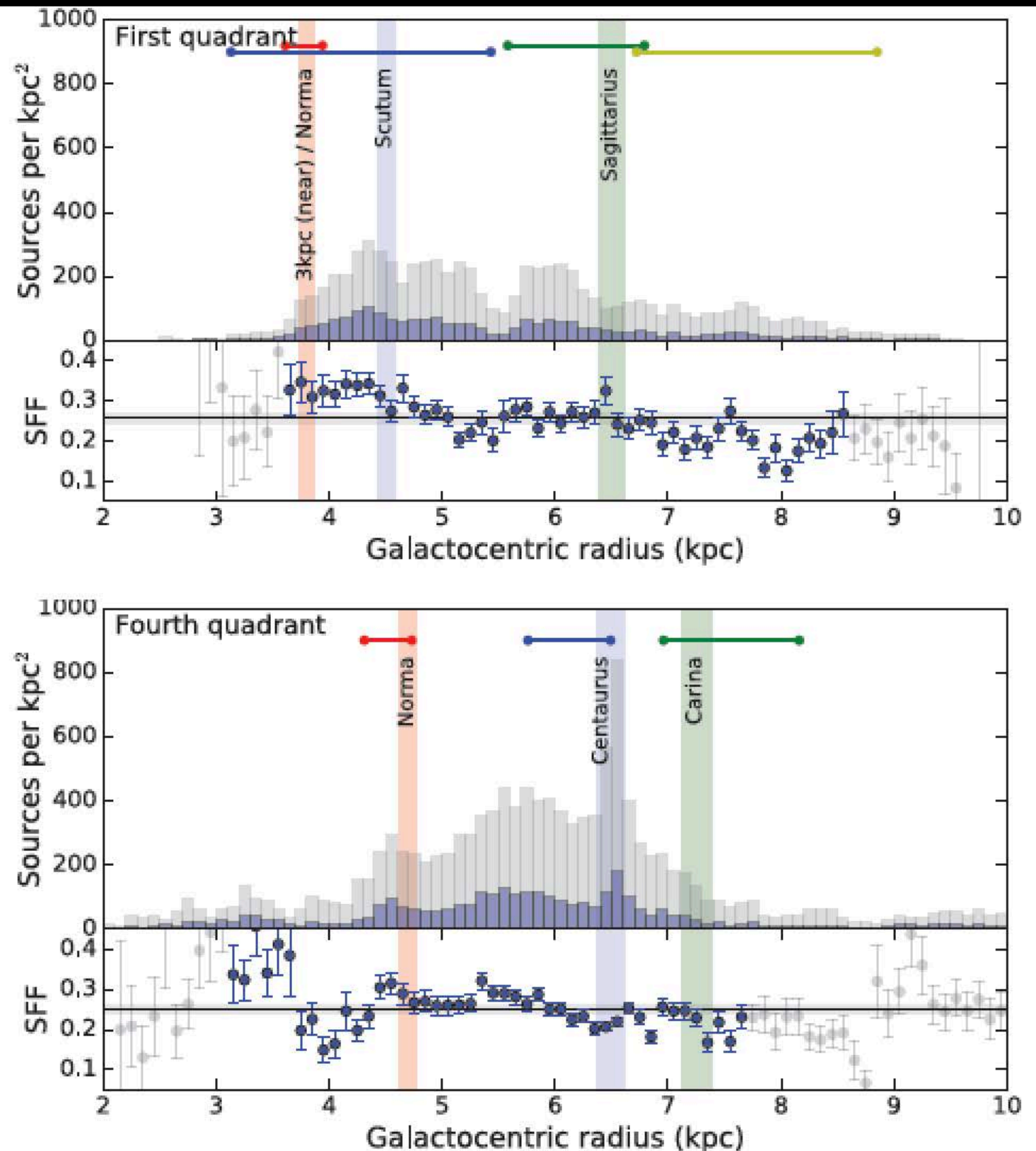
Elia+ in prep.

Spiral Arms from Steiman-Cameron+ 2010 (FIRAS [CII]-[NII])...very similar to Churchwell (2009)





# The role of Spiral Arms: triggers or collectors ?



- Protostellar clumps
- All clumps

- Star formation efficiency and fraction are not enhanced in spiral arms  $\rightarrow$  arms are collectors, rather than triggers
- Slow decreasing trend in star formation efficiency as a function of Galactocentric radius

Ragan+ 2016

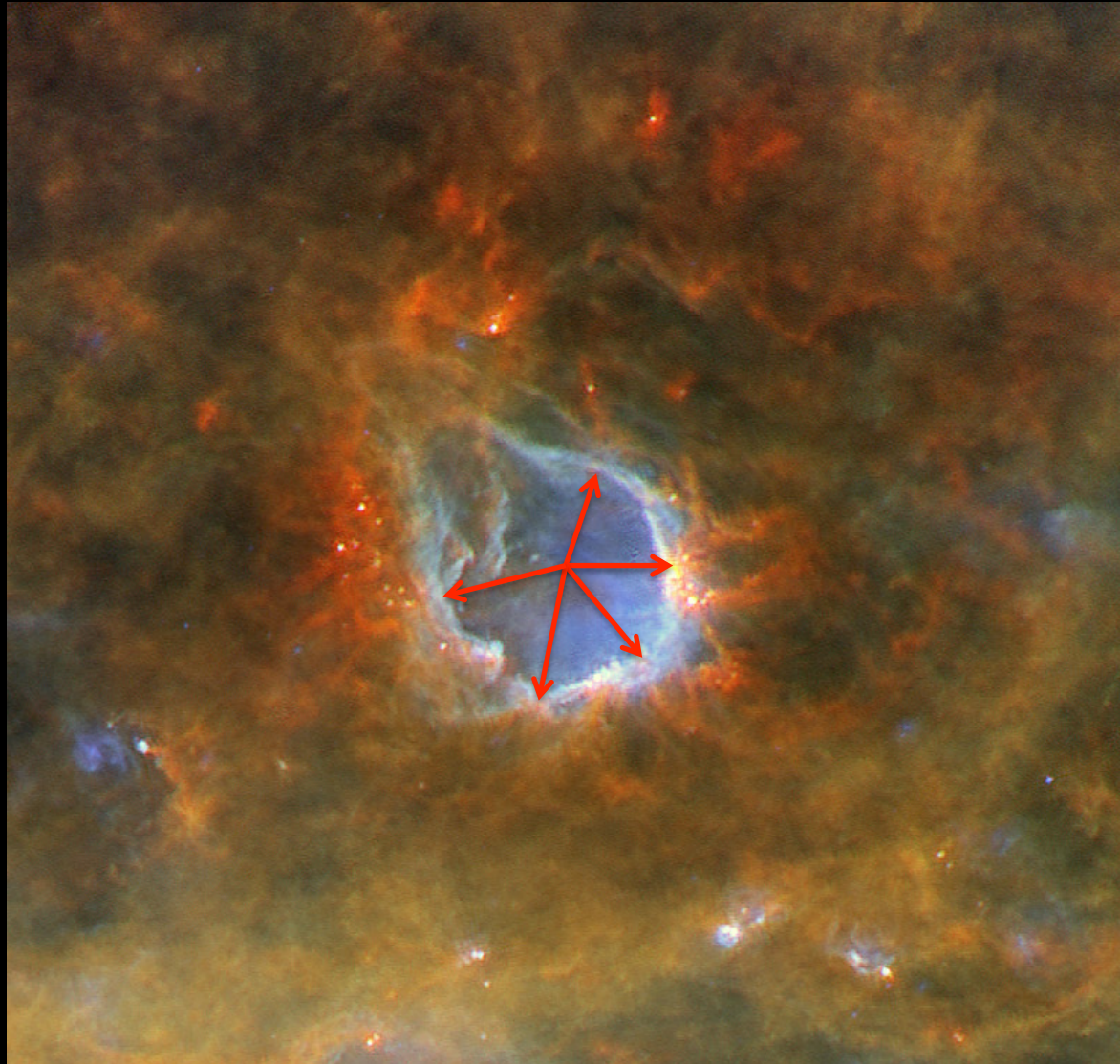


# Bubbles and Triggered Star Formation

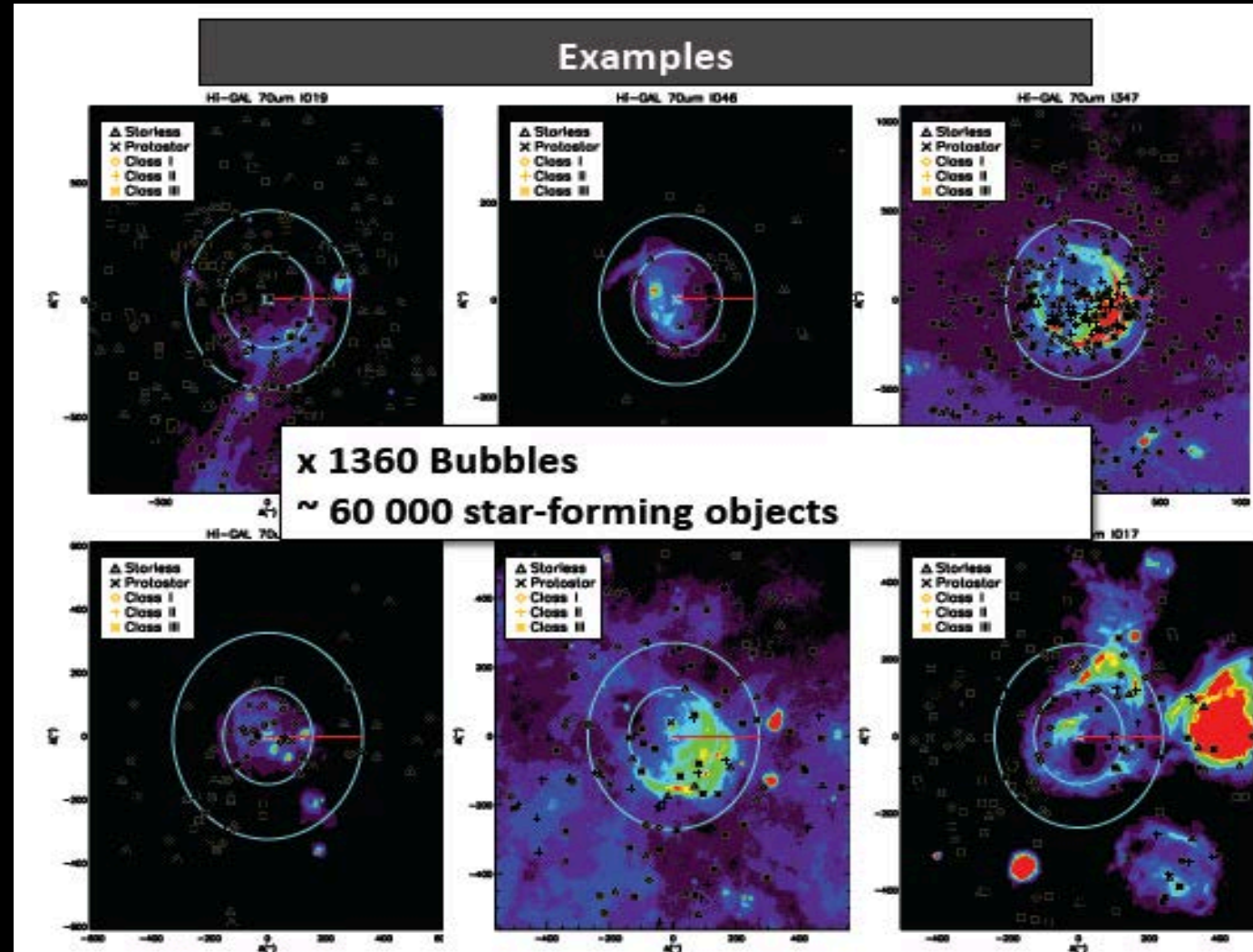


Statistics of sources in proximity of bubbles:

- Star-forming sources surface density enhanced by **80%**
- Clump formation efficiency enhanced by **50%**

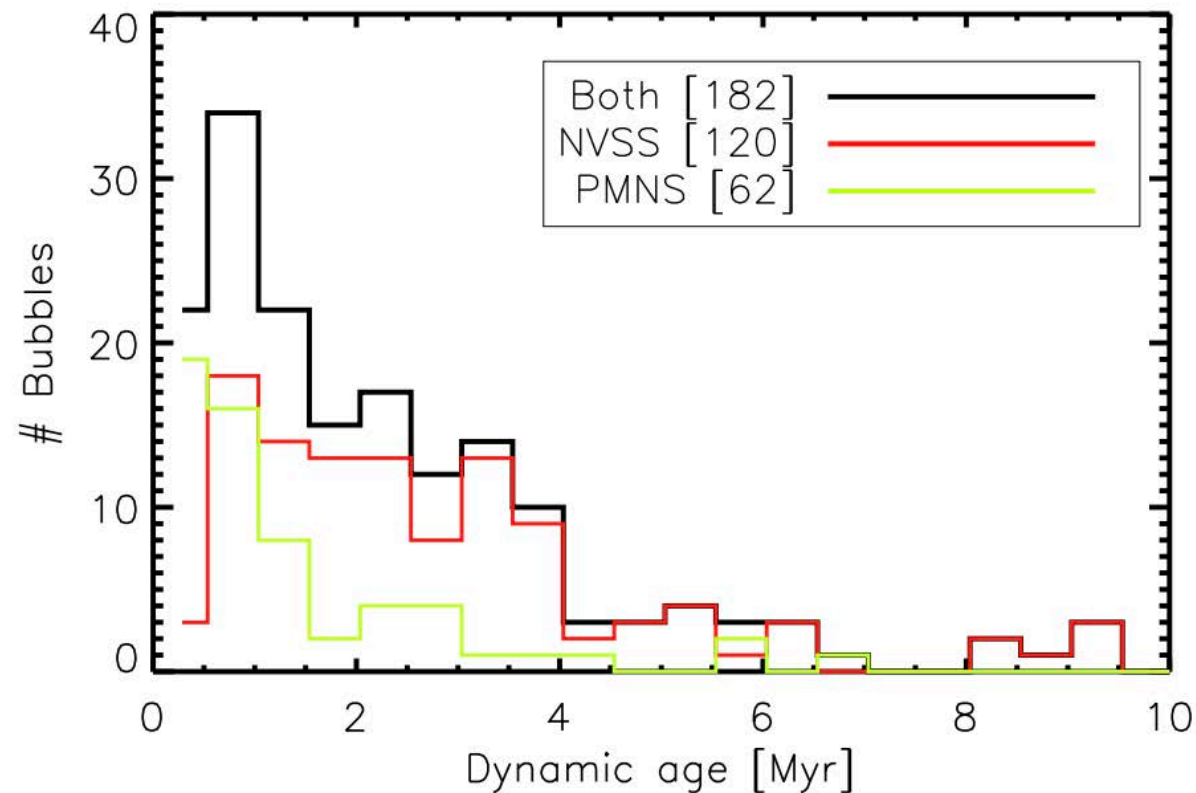


Palmeirim+ 2017

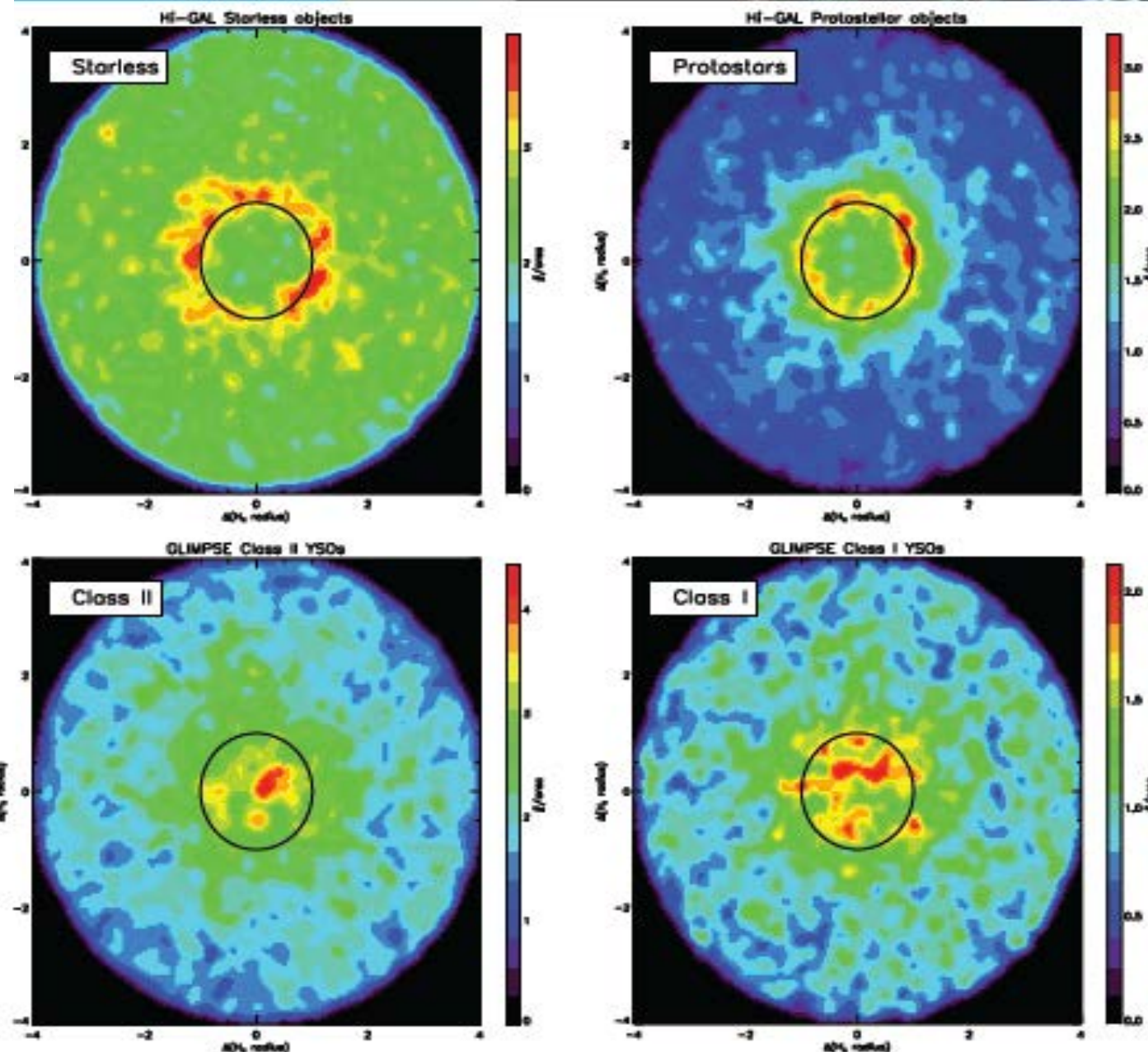




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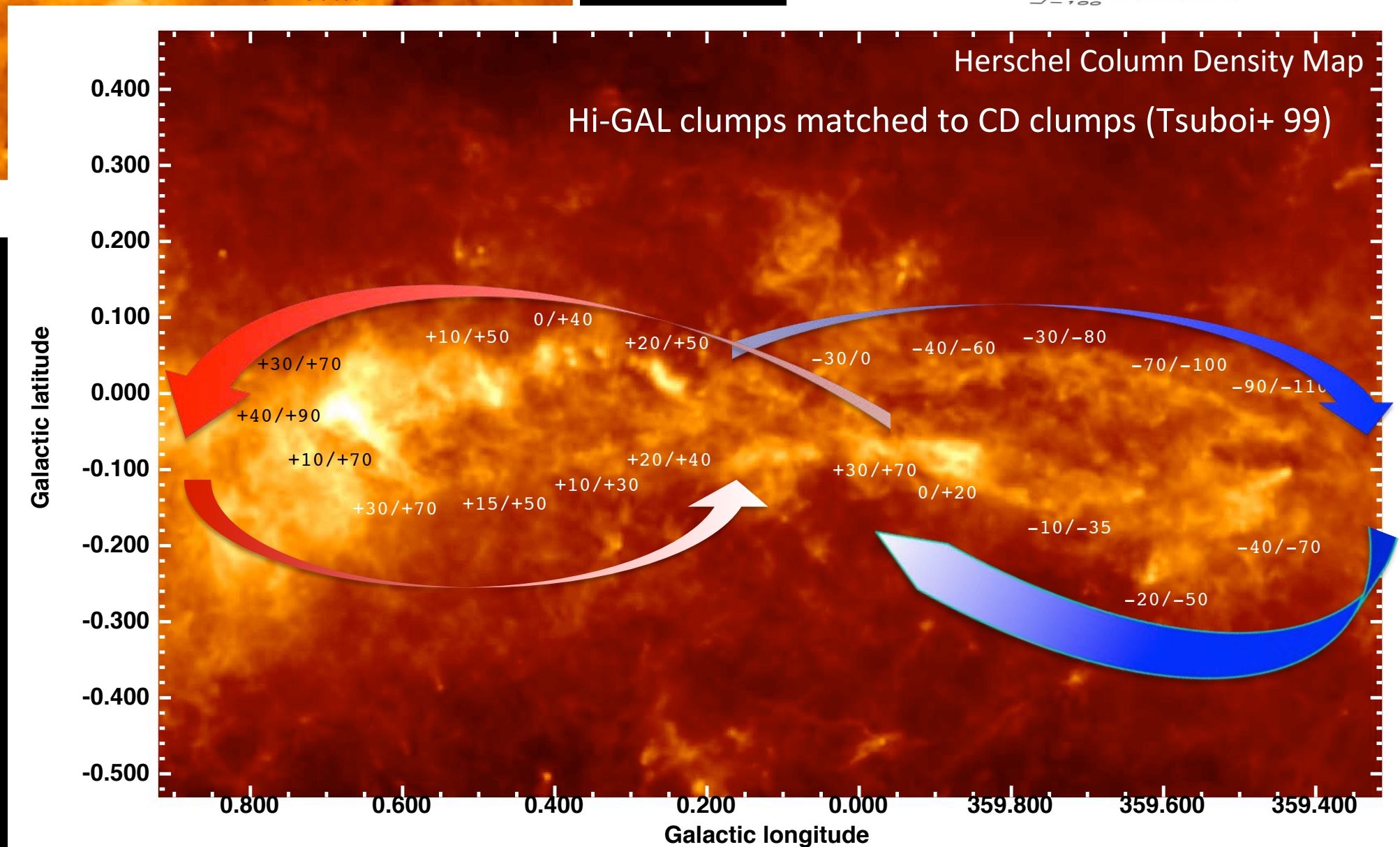
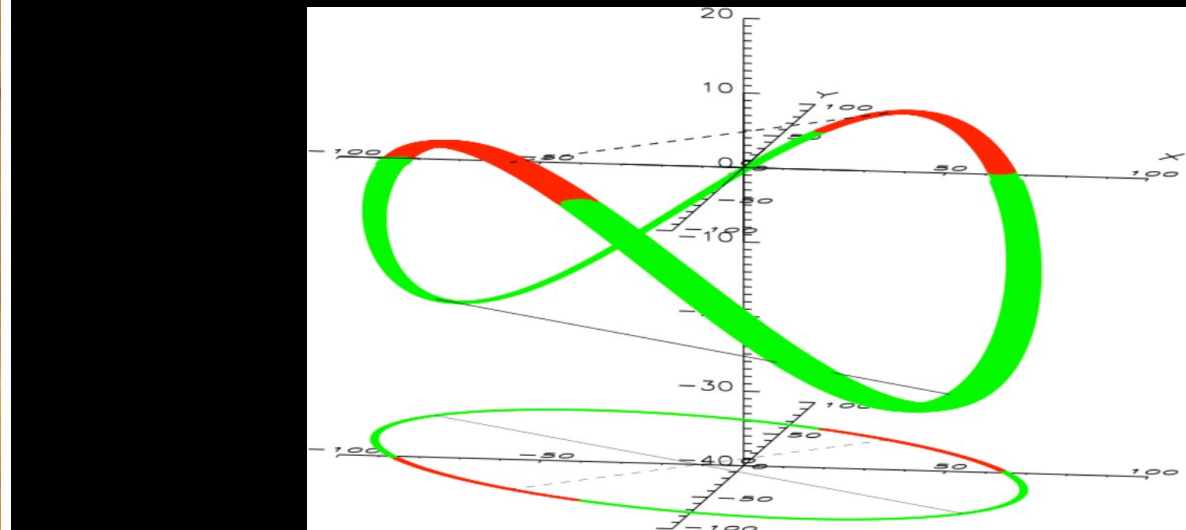
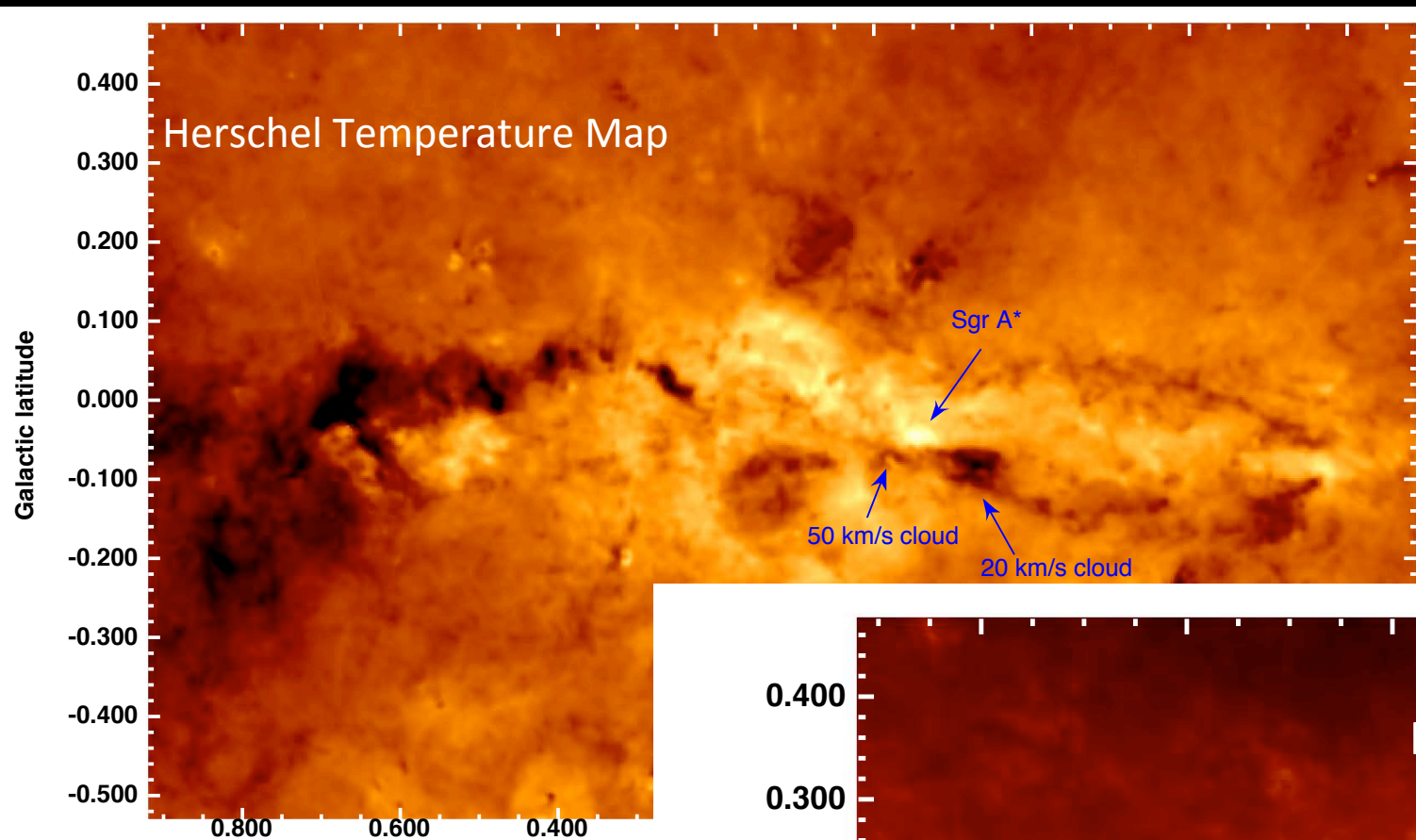
## Evolutionary trends in source distribution



- Evidence of sequential star formation
- Bubble dynamical timescales agrees with SF clumps ages spreads



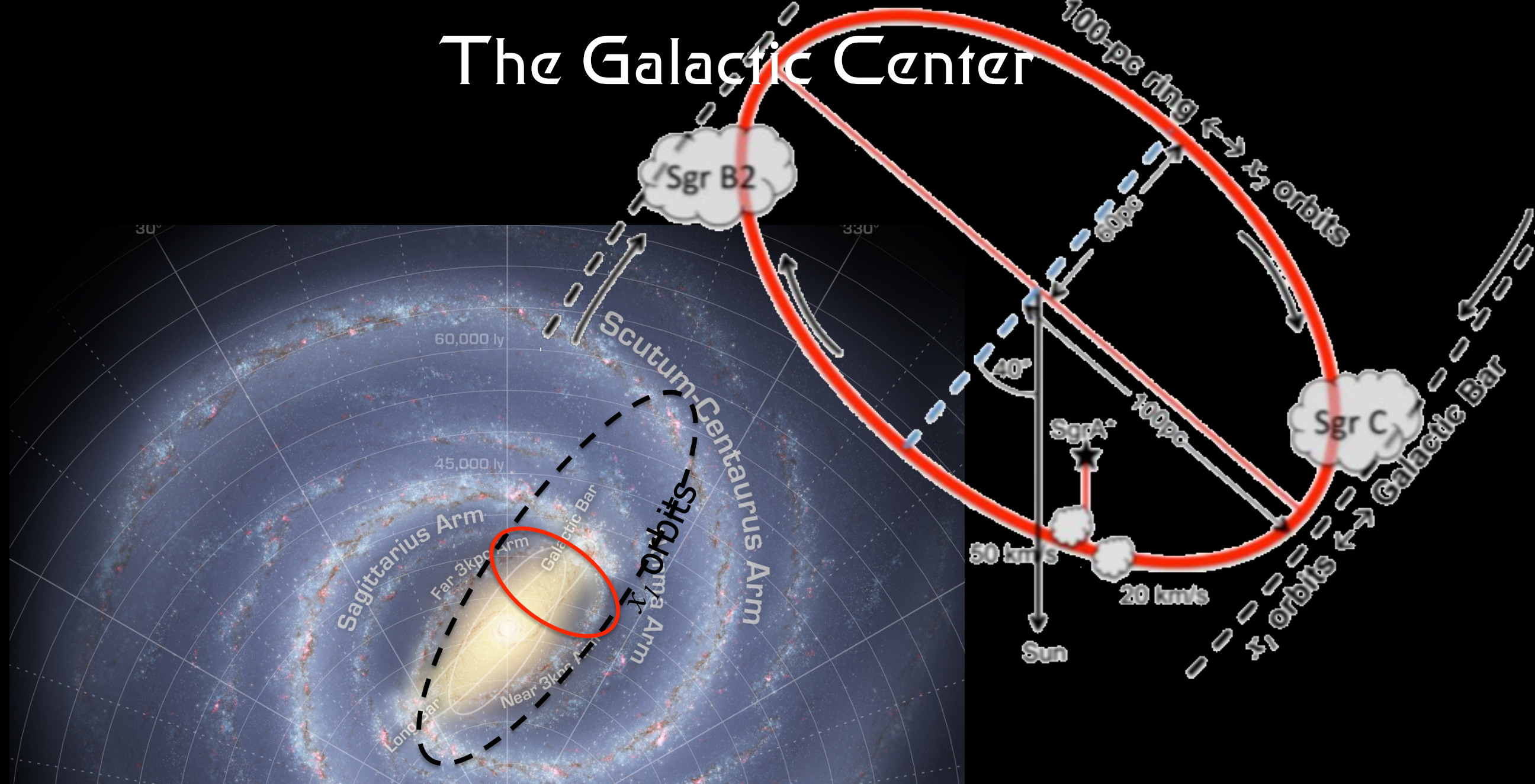
# The Galactic Center



Molinari+ 2011



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The 100pc ring revealed by Herschel is the counterpart to the  $x_2$  orbits predicted by theory (e.g. Binney et al. 1991)

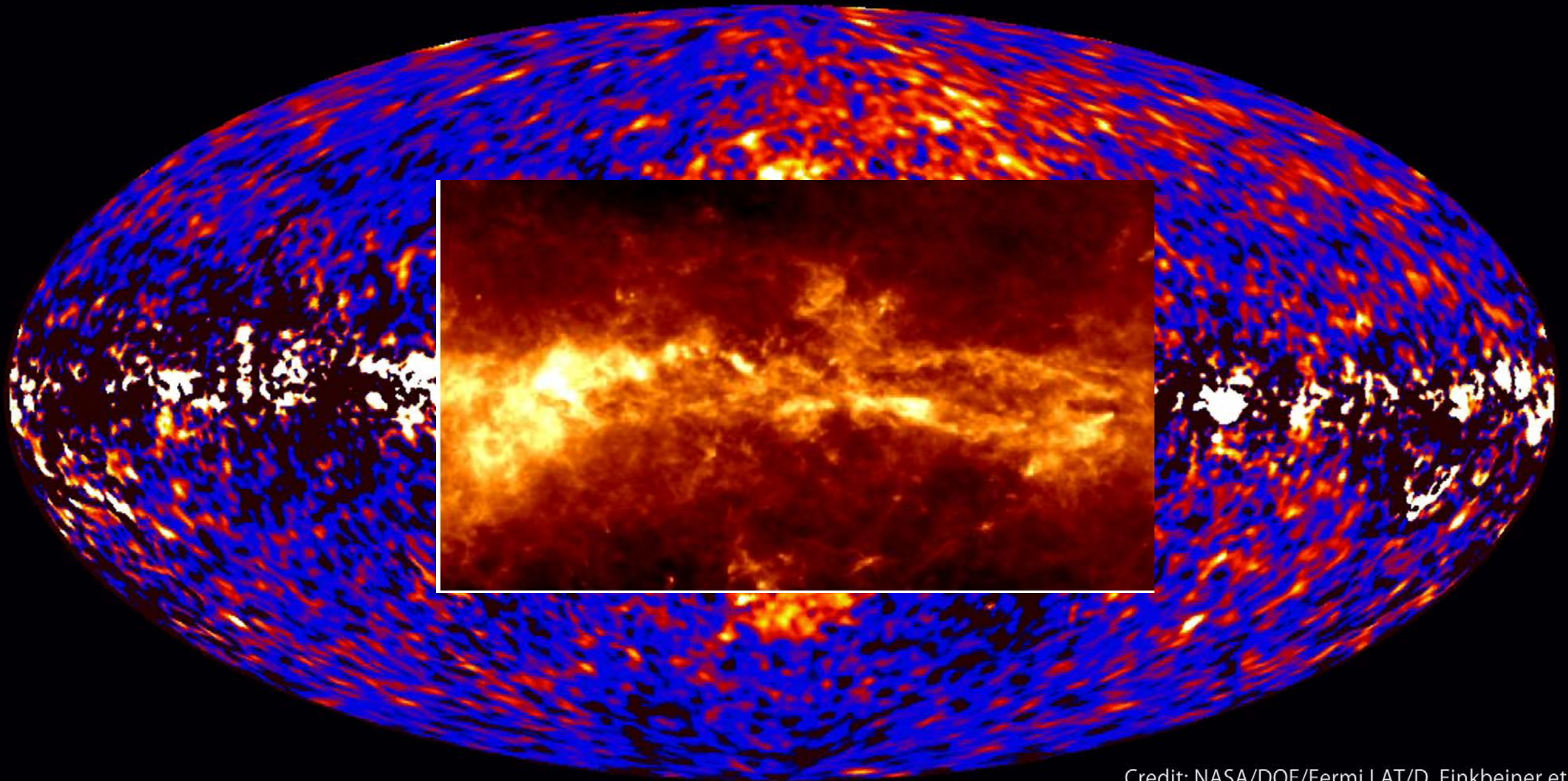
SgrB2 and SgrC are conveniently located at the converging points between the  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  orbits, where shock-focusing mechanism may favor the formation of massive clouds



# The Galactic Center

A past AGN phase for the Milky Way ?

## Fermi data reveal giant gamma-ray bubbles



Credit: NASA/DOE/Fermi LAT/D. Finkbeiner et al.

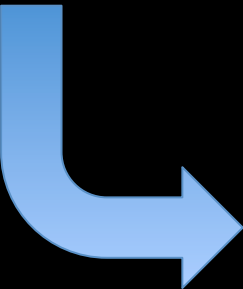
Could the 100-pc ring be the remnant of the large AGN dusty torus ?



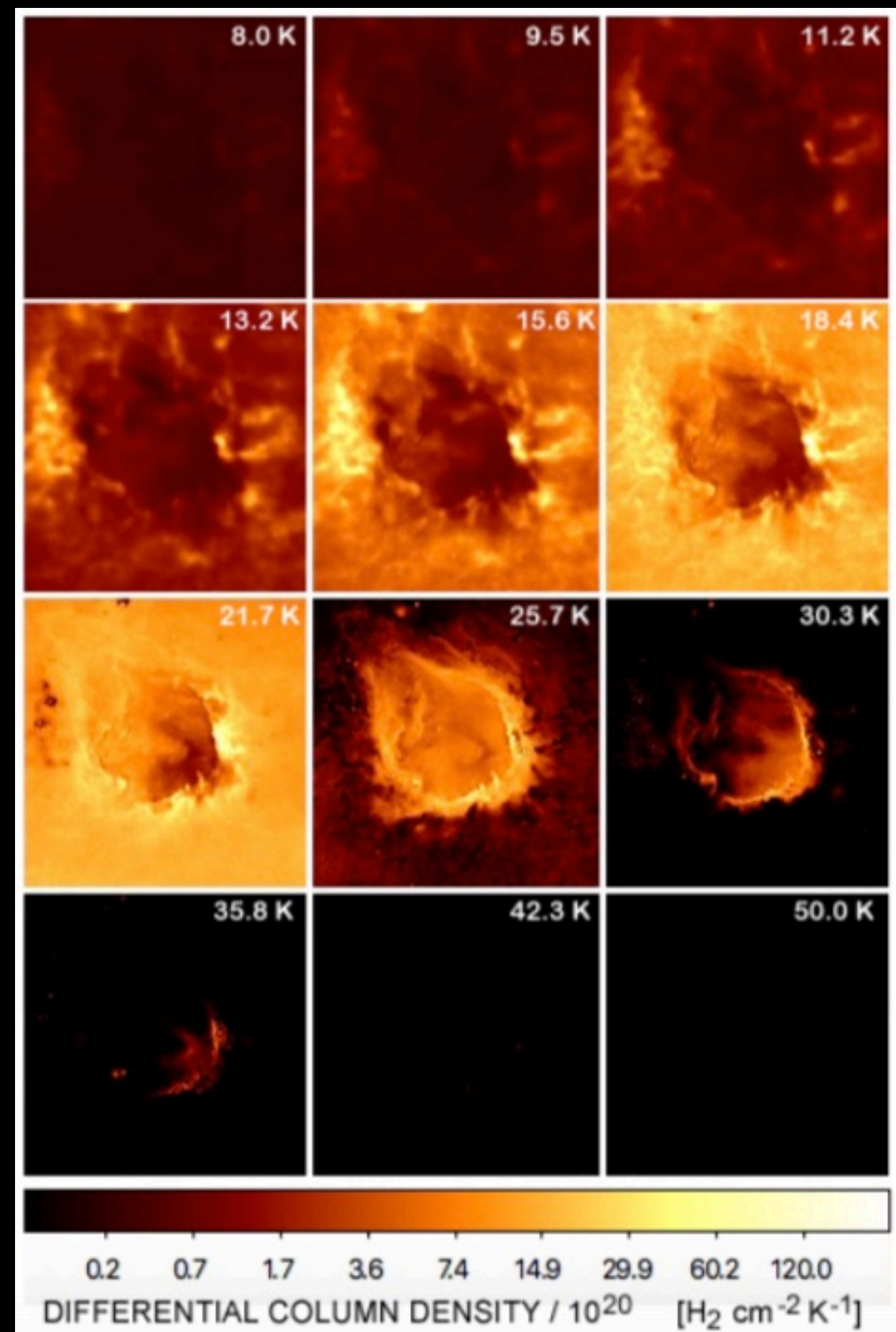
# PPMAP:

## T-dependent Column Density

(Marsh+ 2017)

- Allow  $T$  (and optionally,  $\beta$ ) to vary along line of sight
  - Use all observed images at their *native* resolution
  - Output is a 3D cube of differential column density ( $x, y, T$ ) or a 4D hypercube ( $x, y, T, \beta$ )
  - Bayesian procedure, based on *Point Process* concept
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- Clumpy structure at low temperatures (cores, star formation)
  - Spherical structure at high temperatures (PDR)

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# Hi-GAL is a vision come true

