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The Promise of a Giant Telescope



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Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope



Past, Present, Future

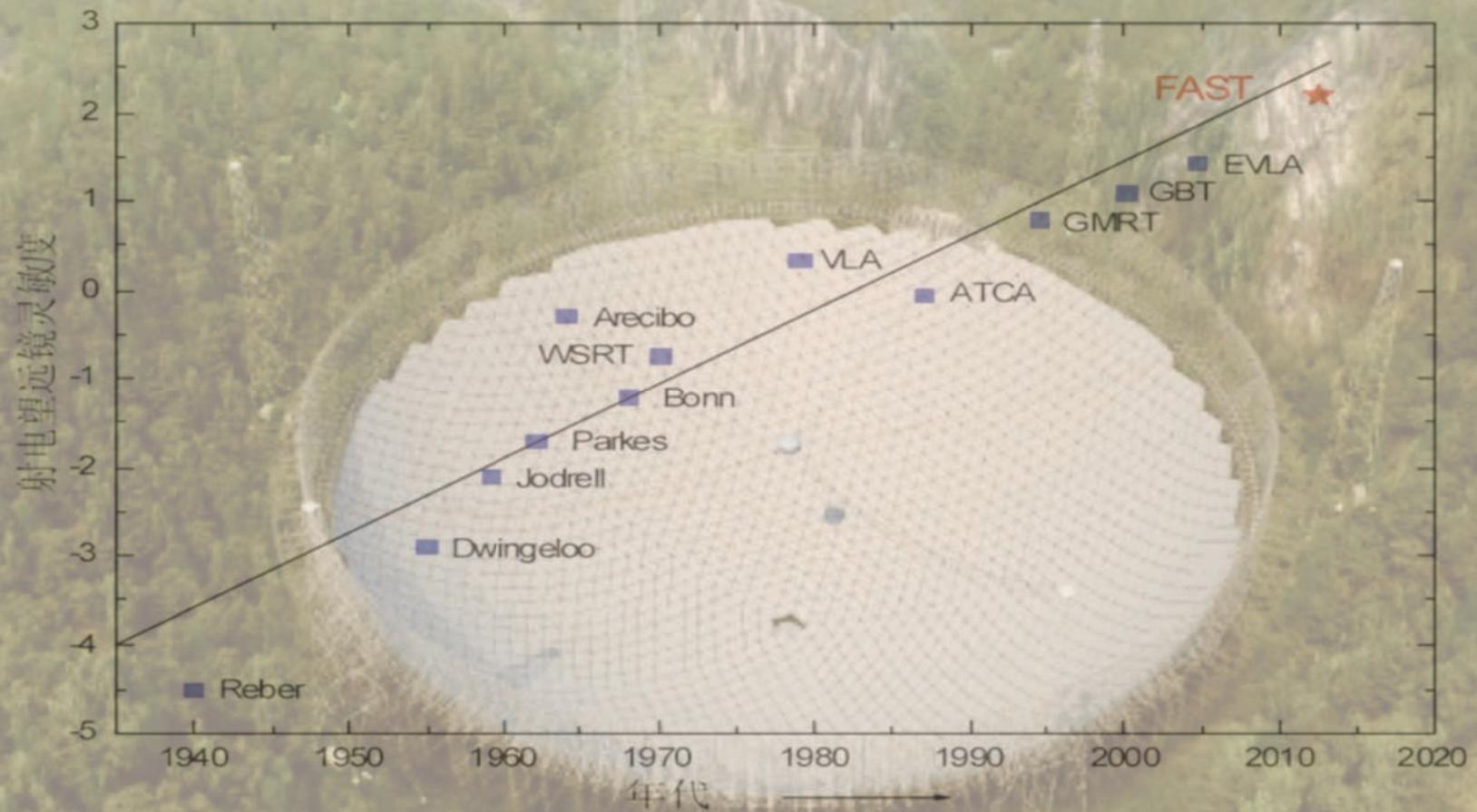


图 1-2 望远镜灵敏度发展曲

Outline



→ Motivation for a Large Single Dish

2. The Key Technical Aspects of FAST
3. Science Cases of FAST
4. A “Fundamental Science” (973) proposal to prepare for FAST
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Discovery of Hydrogen



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Harold Irwin Ewen
(Doc H.I. Ewen) and
Purcell 1951

Transit telescope
designed to have the
Galactic Center pass
through its beam

Receiver system built
with \$500. grant plus
military surplus parts



Detection of interstellar Gas



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waveguide
connected
to the
horn
antenna

Discovery of CMB



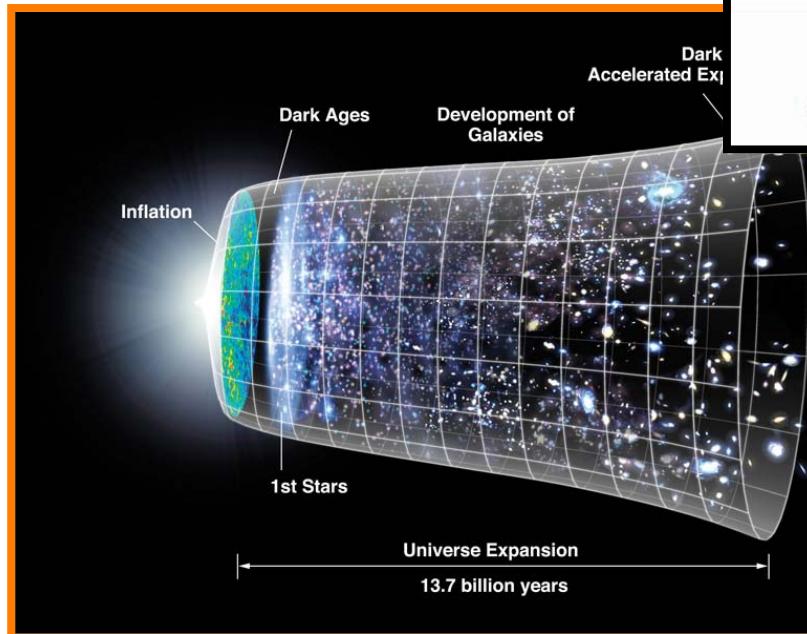
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A MEASUREMENT OF EXCESS ANTENNA TEMPERATURE AT 4080 Mc/s

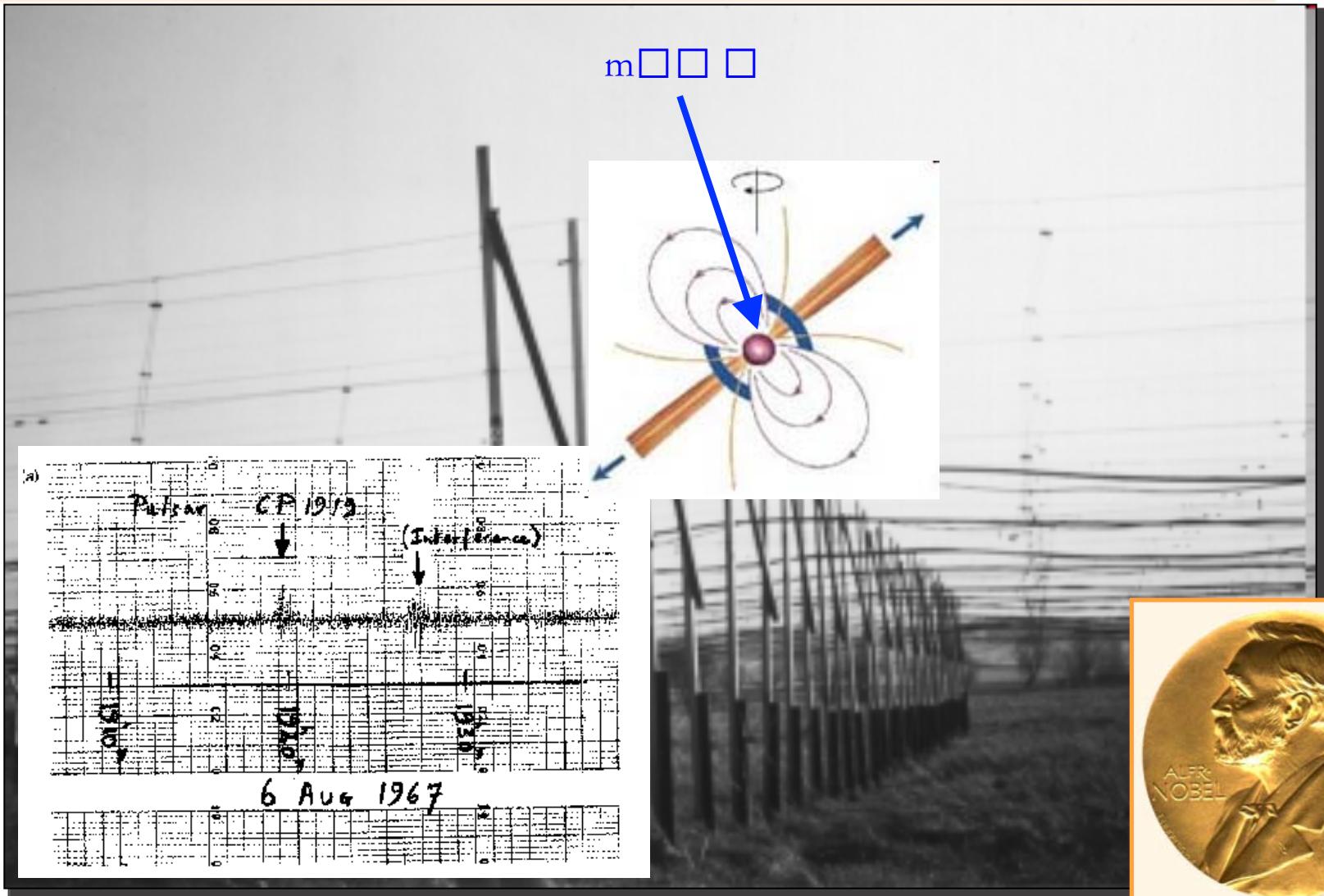
Measurements of the effective zenith noise temperature of the 20-foot horn-reflector antenna (Crawford, Hogg, and Hunt 1961) at the Crawford Hill Laboratory, Holmdel, New Jersey, at 4080 Mc/s have yielded a value about 3.5° K higher than expected. This excess temperature is, within the limits of our observations, isotropic, unpolarized, and



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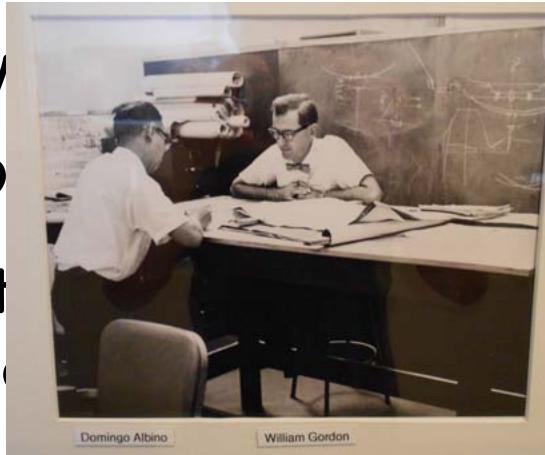
Discovery of Pulsar



Bell and Hewish 1967

The Birth of a True Giant!

- Who proposed the project around 1958 to the Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA)
- Constructed between 1963 and 1968
- Operated by National Astronomy and Ionosphere Center (NAIC) through Cornell University



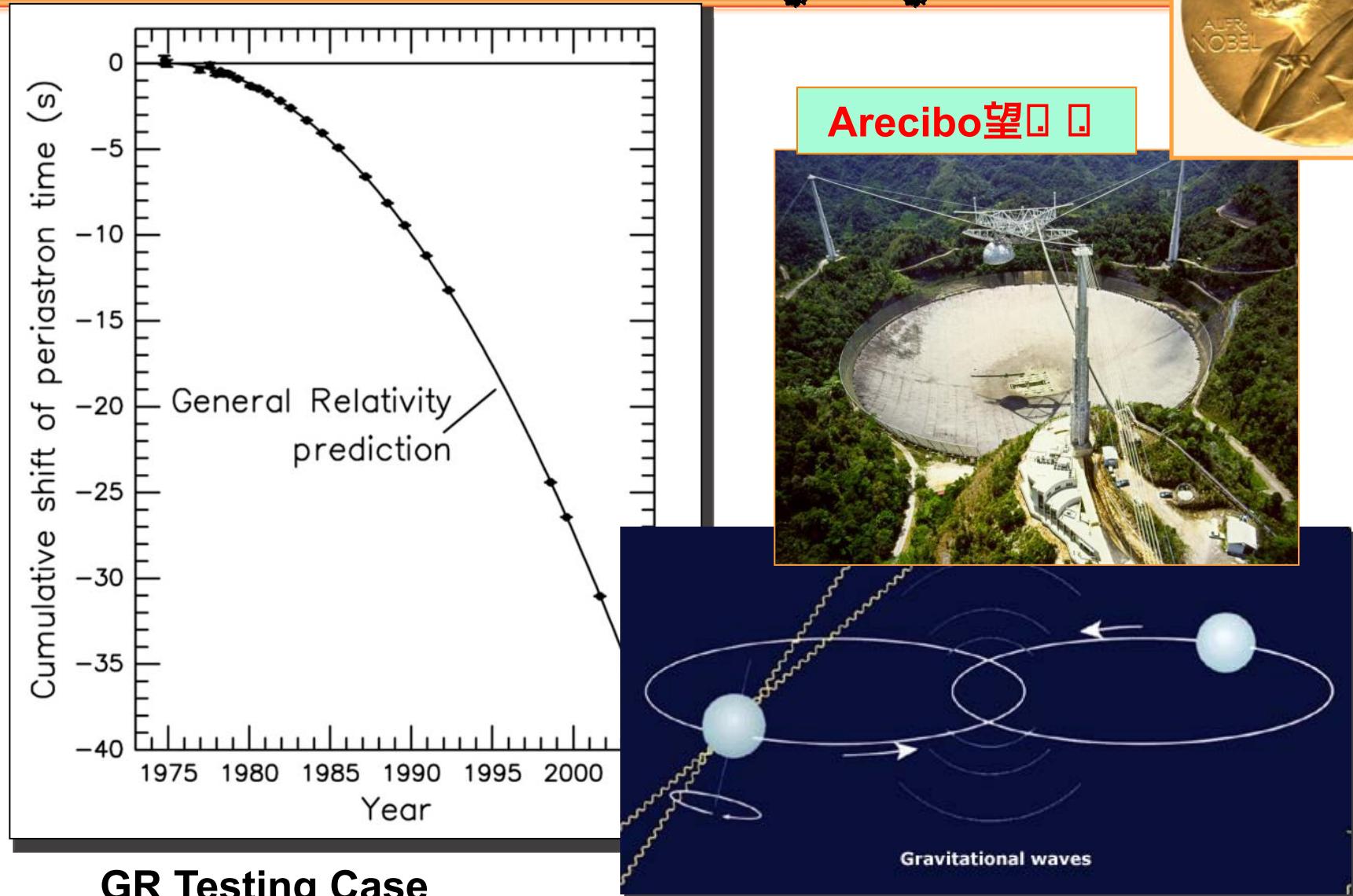
Triumph of the Giant



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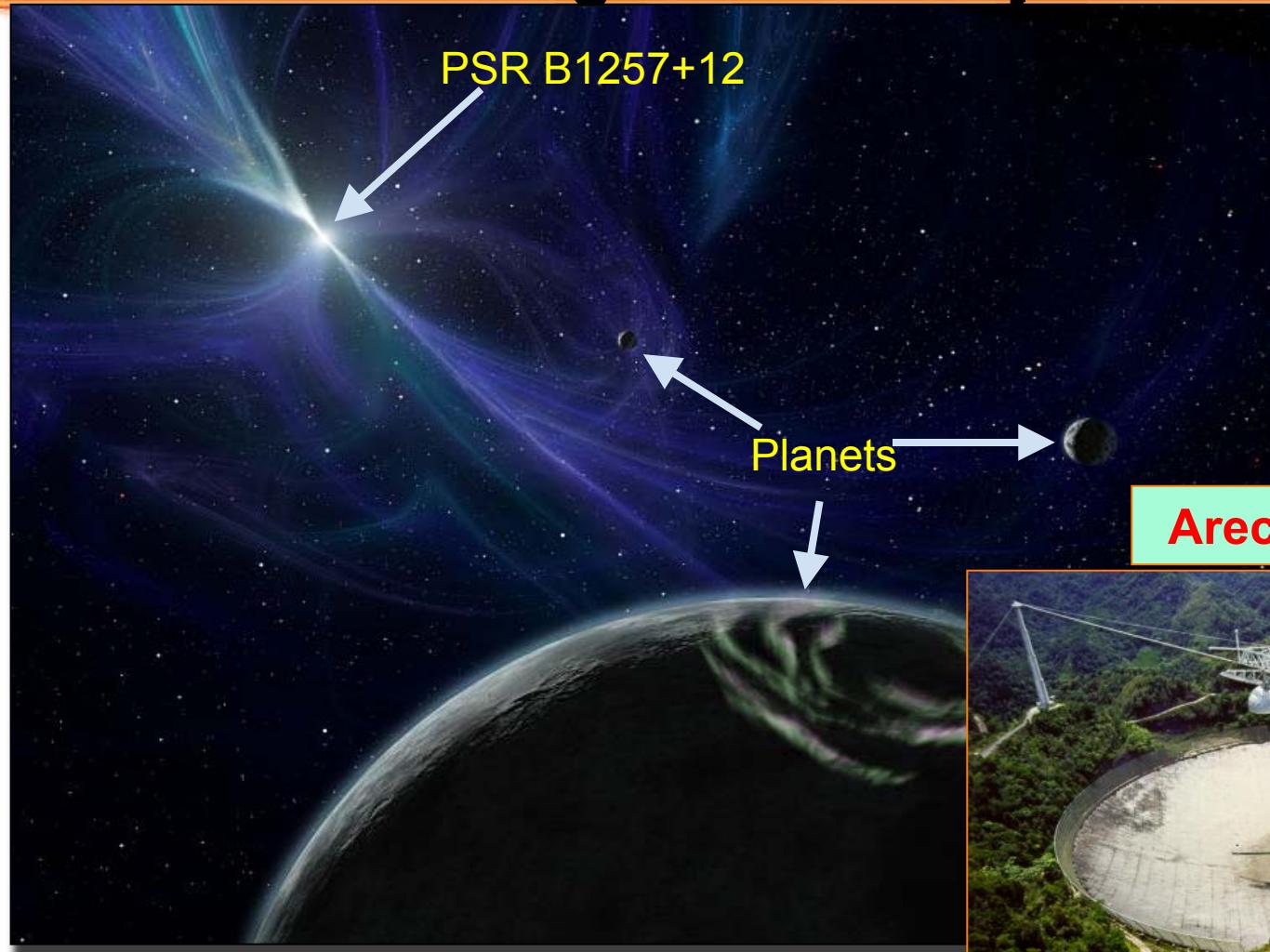
- Pettengill et al. Mercury rotation rate 1964
- Lovelace et al. Crab Pulsar – 33 msec periodicity; neutron star
- Hulse & Taylor 1974 PSR B1913+16, binary pulsar
- Backer et al. 1983 PSR B1937+21, millisecond pulsar
- Map HI Galaxy Distribution 1980s
- Direct imaging of asteroids 1989–1990s
- Wolszczan first exoplanets 1990

Pulsar in a Binary System



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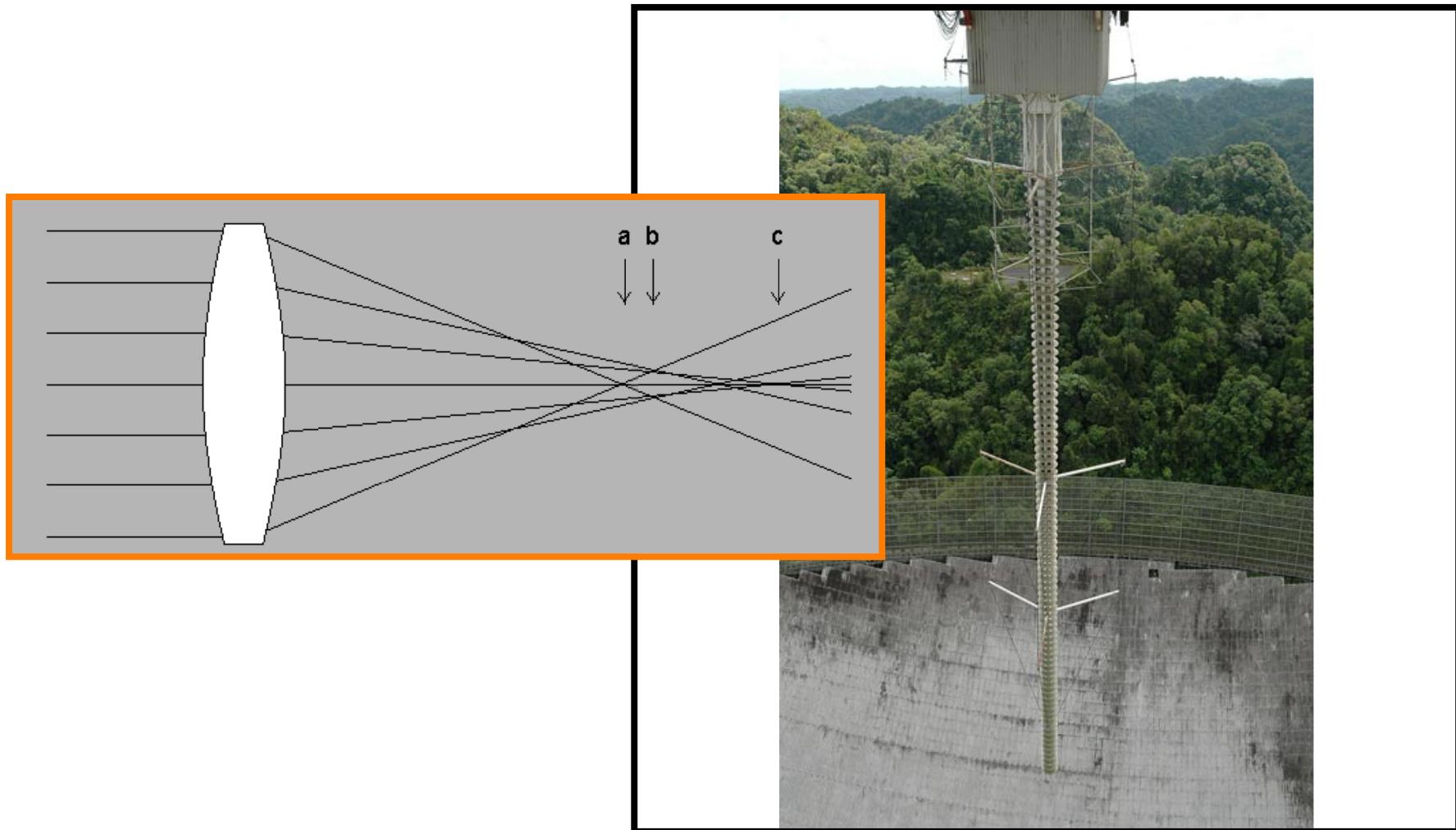
Discovery of Exoplanet



First Discoveries of Exoplanets
1990 @ Arecibo, around PSR B1257+12



Spherical Design



Upgraded



- Secondary,
Tertiary => point
focus
- Primary
readjustment =>
sensitivity and
up to 10 GHz
- Ground Screen
=> cleaner beam

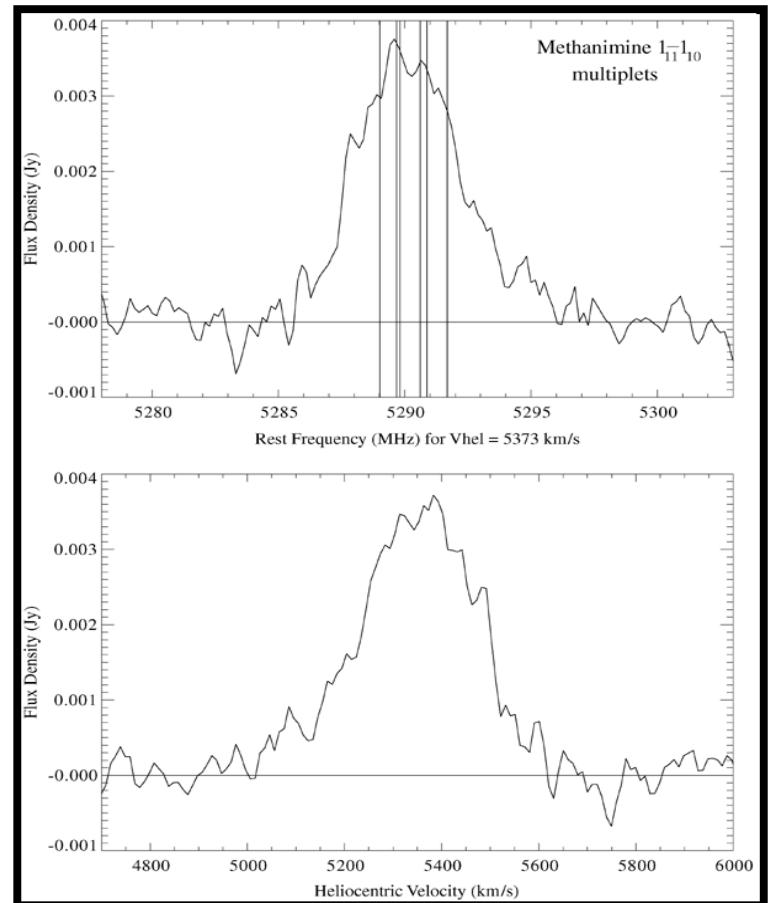
Pre-Biotic Molecules in Galaxies



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射电望远镜



2008: 阿雷西博望远镜在NGC 226中发现了S“前生命”(pre-biotic)分子CH₂NH

Fully Steerable Telescopes



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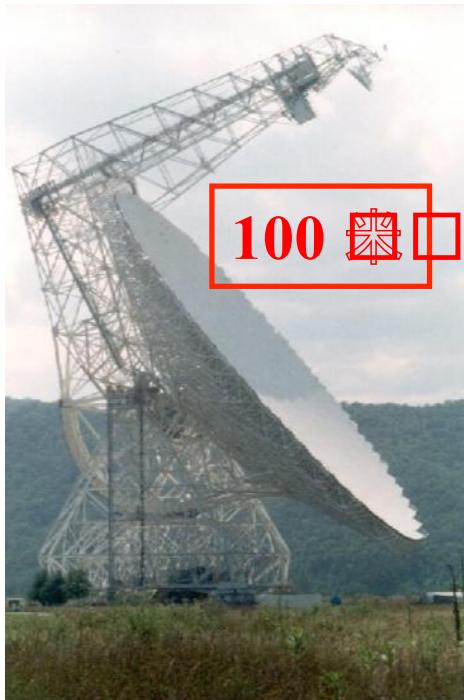
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3. Science Cases of FAST

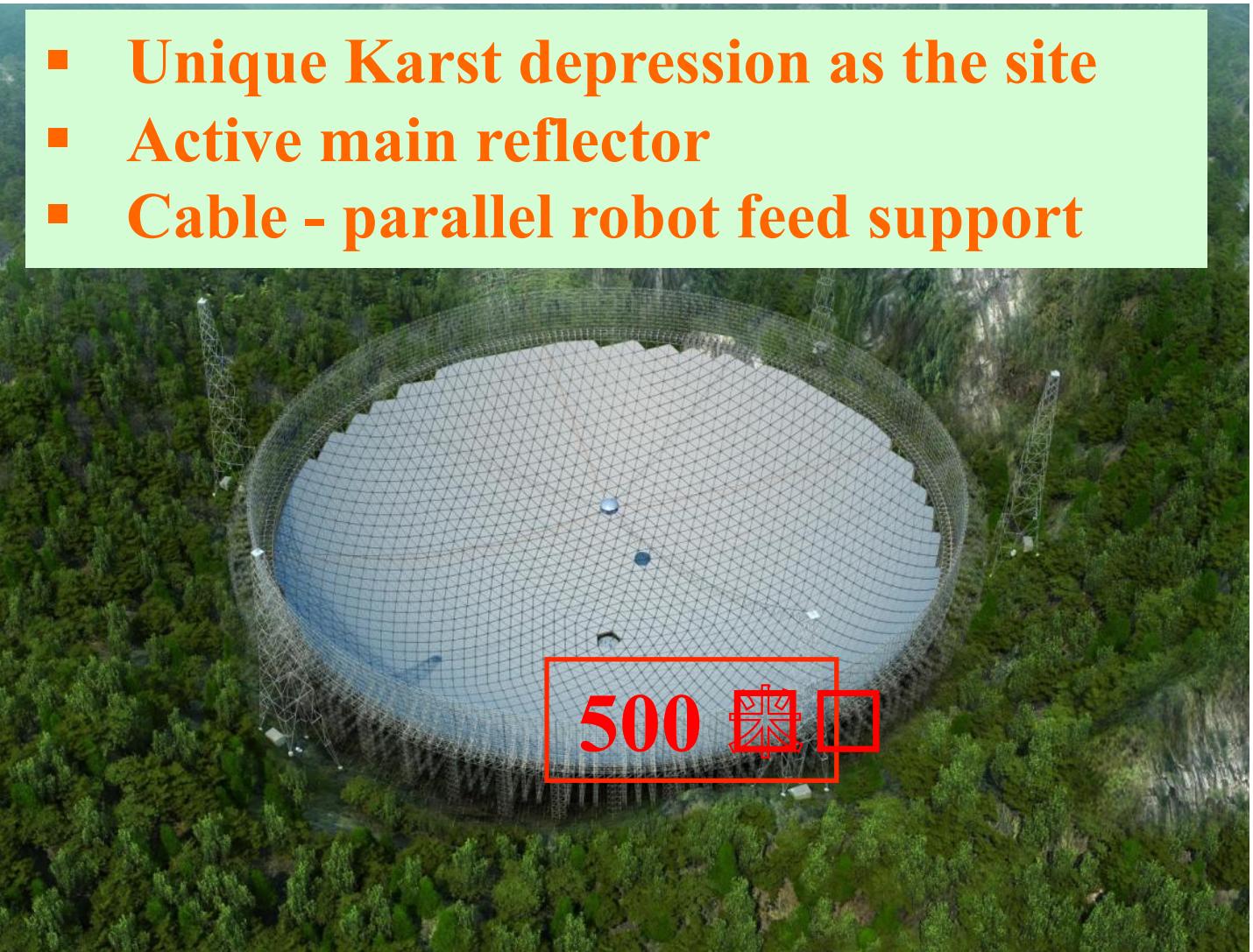
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Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope (FAST)



- Unique Karst depression as the site
- Active main reflector
- Cable - parallel robot feed support



"World's Largest Telescope"



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The screenshot shows the **nature news** homepage. A red box highlights the main article: "World's largest telescope under construction". The article discusses China's FAST telescope, which is currently under construction in Guizhou province. It mentions the telescope's resolution of 700 million yuan and its completion date of 2014. The article is part of the "News in Brief" section. To the left, there are sidebar links for "Space and astronomy" and "Radio telescopes". At the bottom, there is a large, bold title "World's largest telescope under construction" followed by a detailed description of the FAST telescope.

World's largest telescope under construction

China has begun building the biggest radio telescope in the world, the Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical Telescope (FAST). Sitting in a natural bowl-shaped depression in a remote region of Guizhou province, southwestern China, FAST is due to be completed in 2014. China's National Astronomical Observatories will use the exquisite resolution of the 700-million-yuan (US\$102-million) facility to identify distant pulsars and galaxies in the low-gigahertz range of the radio spectrum. FAST will unseat the Arecibo radio telescope in Puerto Rico as the biggest single eye on the sky — although it will not be able to match the resolution of multiple-antenna telescopes such as the Very Large Array in New Mexico and the Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimeter Array (ALMA) in Chile (currently under construction). ■

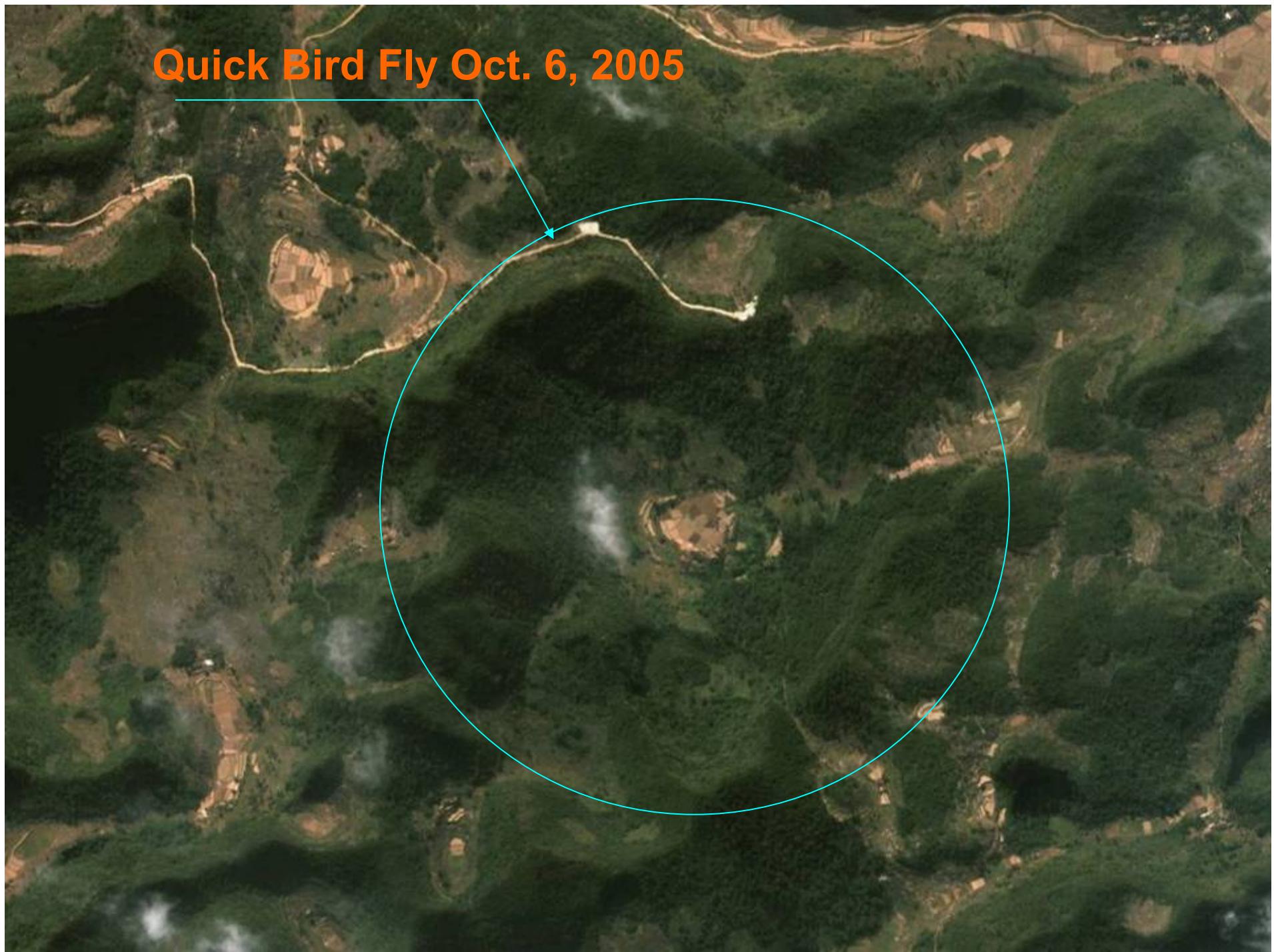
FAST Site in Guizhou



Location: N25.647222° E106.85583°

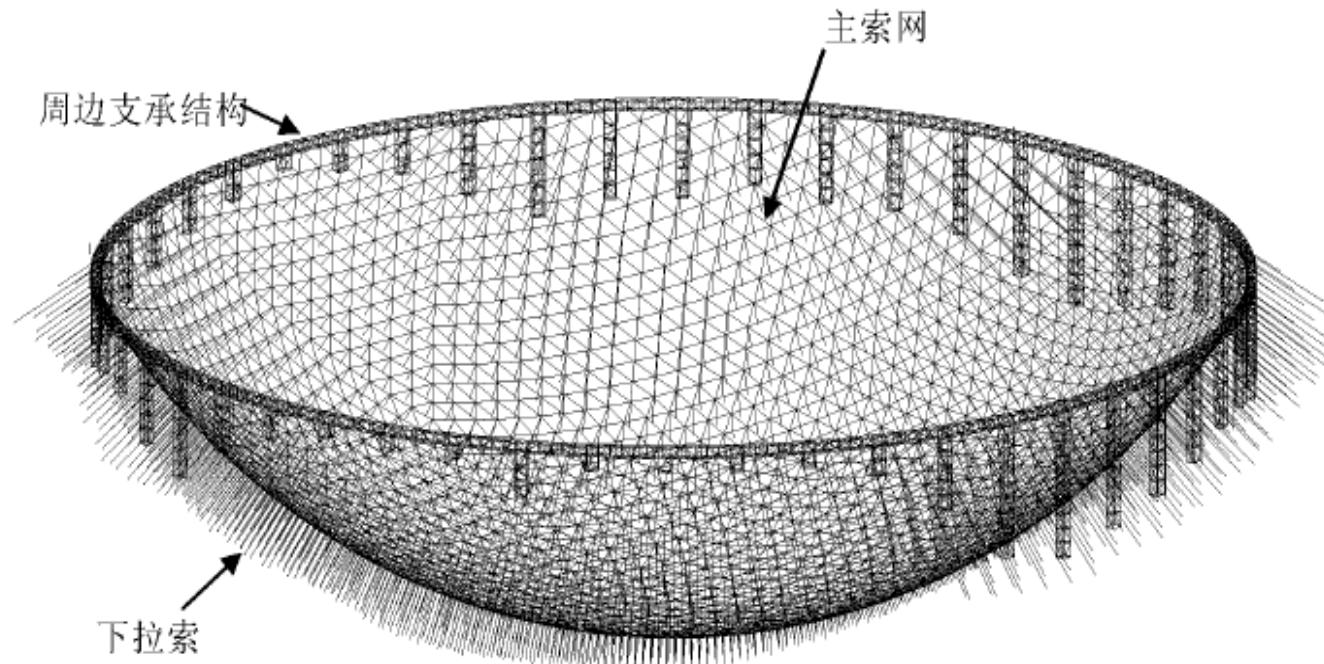
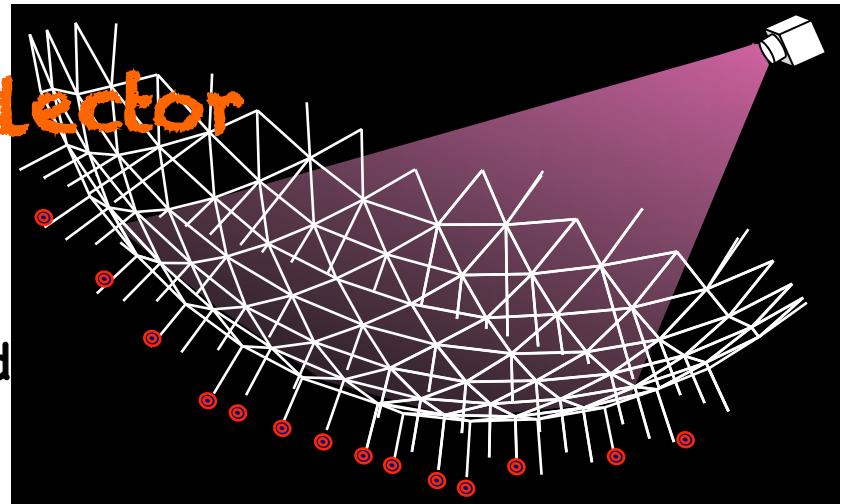
Site: the Karst region in south Guizhou Province

Quick Bird Fly Oct. 6, 2005

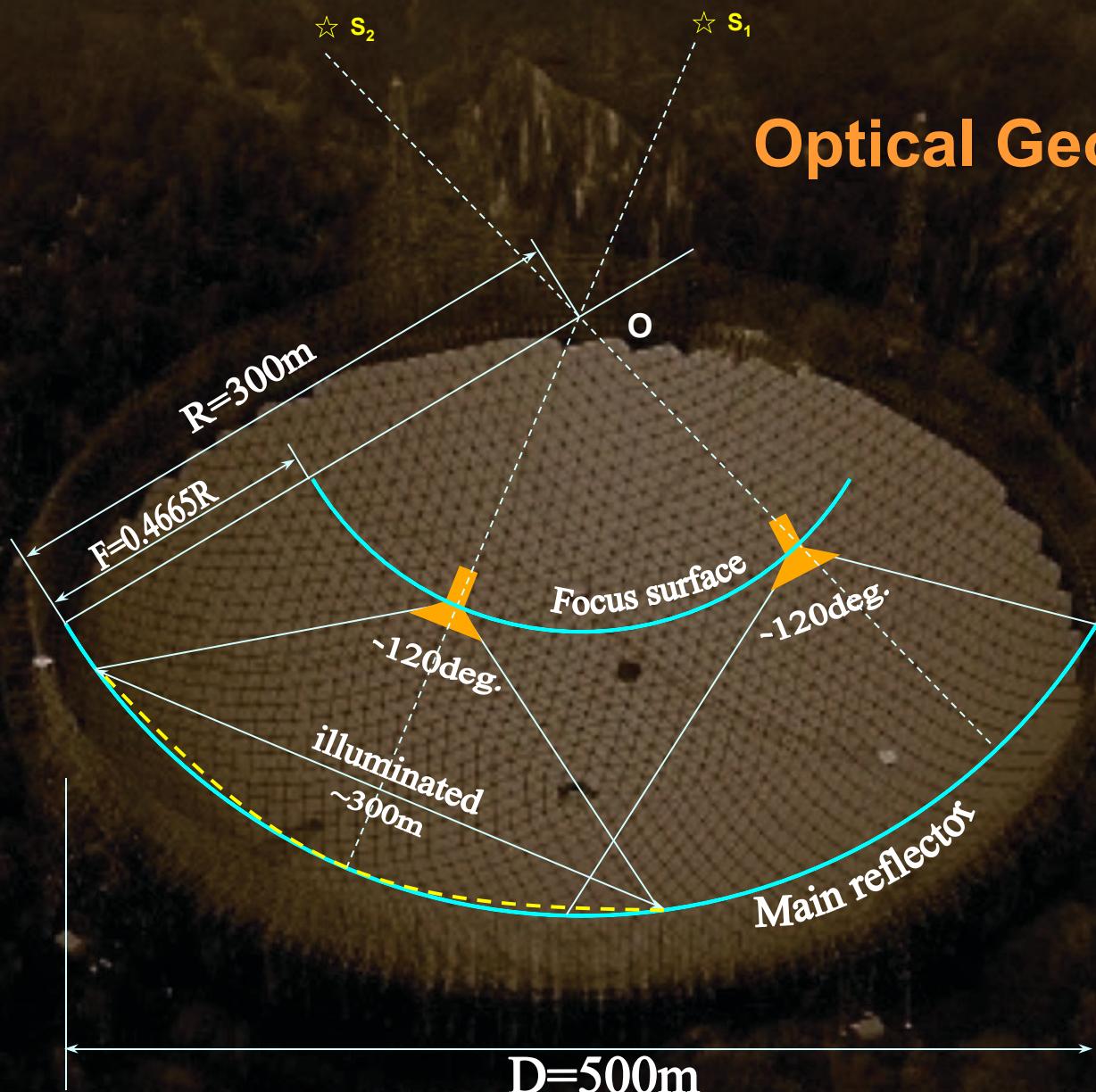


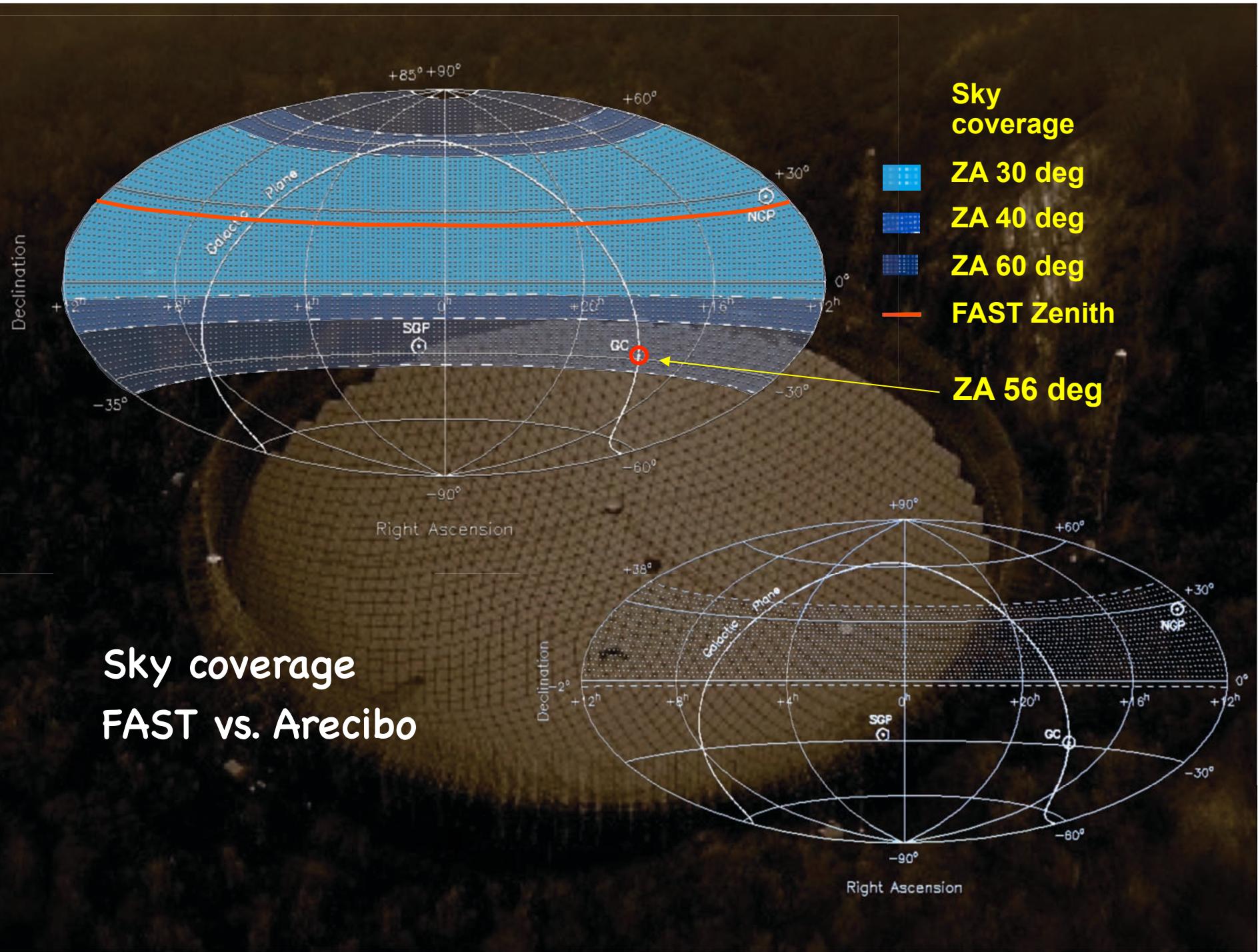
Structure of active reflector

- 500m girder built around hills
- 50 pillars
- Backup consists of ~7000 steel strand
- 2300 down tied cables driven by
- winches anchored into ground

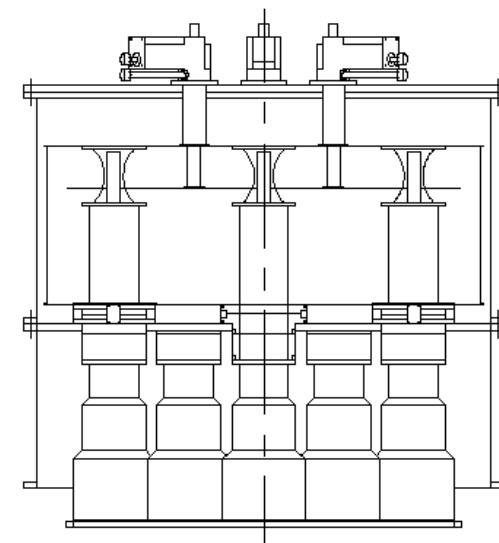
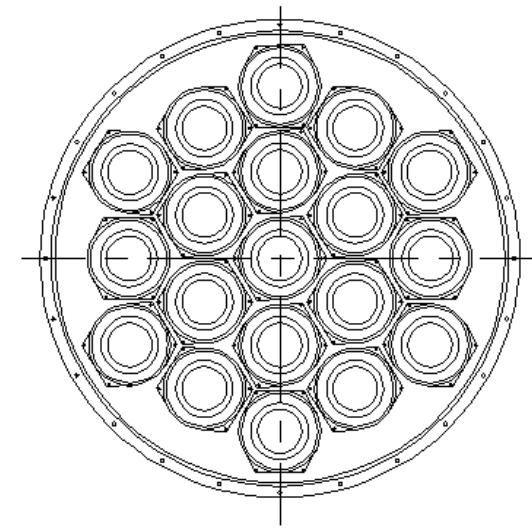
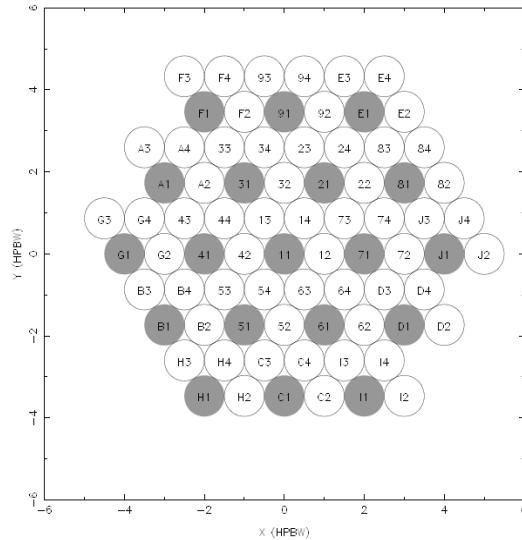
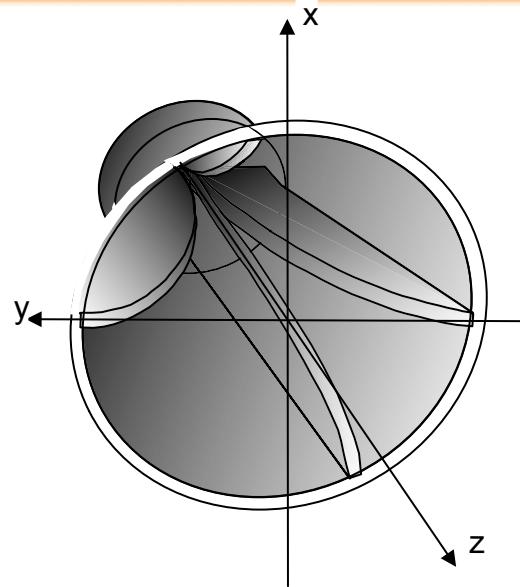


Optical Geometry





L-band receiver Array



Technical Specification

Spherical reflector : Radius \sim 300m, Aperture \sim 500m, Opening angle 110 \sim 120°

Illuminated aperture : $D_{\text{ill}}=300\text{m}$

Focal ratio : $f/D = 0.467$

Sky coverage : zenith angle 40°(up to 60°with efficiency loss) tracking hours 0~6h

Frequency : 70M ~ 3 GHz (up to 8GHz in future upgrading)

Sensitivity (L-Band) : A/T \sim 2000, T \sim 20 K

Resolution (L-Band) : 2.9'

Multi-beam (L-Band) : 19, beam number of future FPA >100

Slewing : <10min

Pointing accuracy : 8"

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 **Science Cases of FAST**

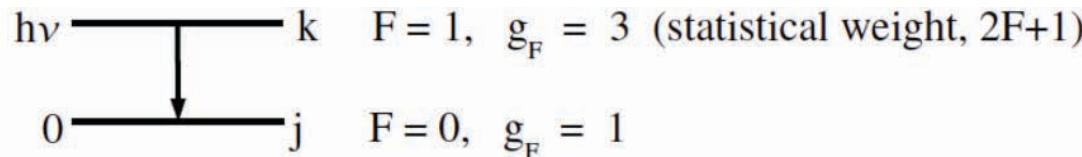
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Observables



70MHz~3GHz Complete Coverage

- HI 21cm Hyperfine transition



Frequency: 1420.405 751 7667 MHz (± 0.001 Hz !)

- Pulsar
- Many more atomic and molecular lines, radio continuum, maser
- Planetary radio emission

Major Topics



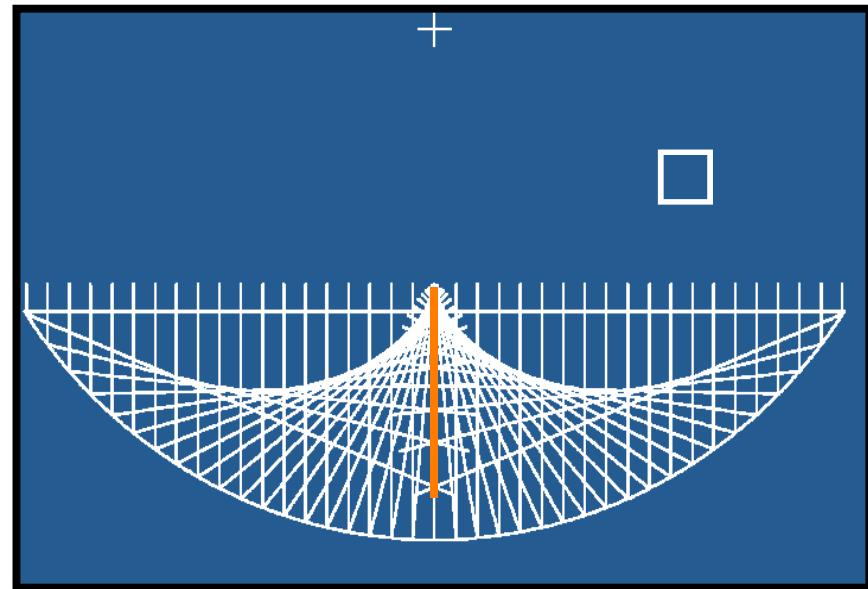
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- (1) Galaxy Evolution and Cosmology:
sensitive measurement of HI universe
- (2) ISM and Star Formation:
spectroscopic tracers of physics and chemistry
- (3) Compact Objects and Gravitational Wave: PTA, pulsar physics, state of matter
- (4) Planetary Radio Emission

Possible Discoveries



- New content of the ISM including new molecules, especially **prebiotic** ones
- High redshift **masers**
- HI Disks and halos in **dark galaxies**
- special pulsars:
pulsar-blackhole system, first **extra-galactic pulsar**
- first detection of radio emission of **exoplanet**



FAST Overview



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THE FIVE-HUNDRED-METER APERTURE SPHERICAL RADIO TELESCOPE (FAST) PROJECT

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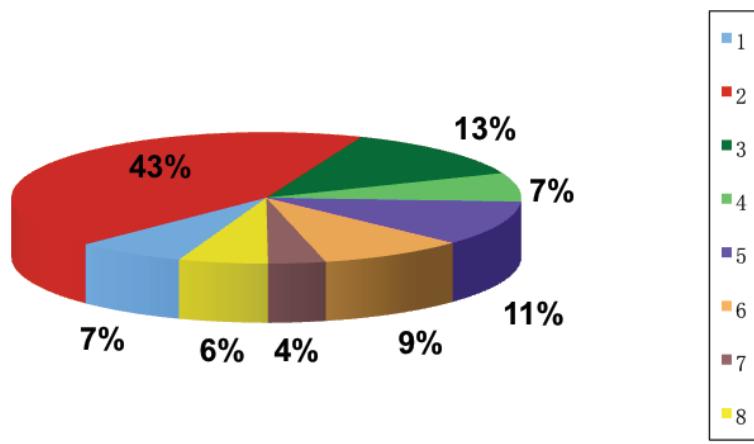
**National Astronomical Observatories,
Chinese Academy of Sciences,*

Budget of FAST project



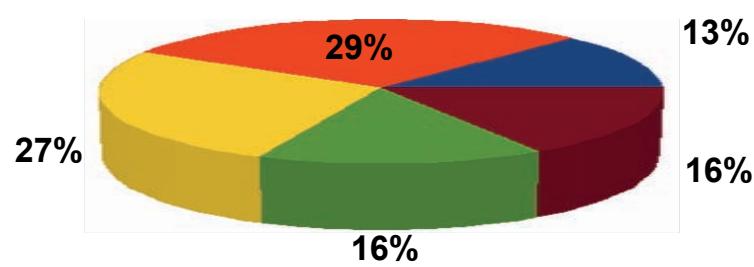
Total budget ~ ¥ 667 millions approved

Total budget pie



- Site
- Reflector
- Feed support
- Measurement
- Receivers
- Observatory
- Others
- Contingency

Budget pie of reflector



- Cable mesh
- Back structure of reflector element
- Surface Panel
- Girder ring and other supporting structure
- Actuator

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"Frontiers in Radio Astronomy and FAST"



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- 2011.3: Construction Start for FAST
- 2016.9: FAST first light
- 2020至2024: SKA phase I and phase II

Fundamental Science Proposal (973):**2012～2016**

five science teams plus one receiver group, define
key FAST programs and early science, train >30
graduate students and young radio astronomers

right idea, right talent, right techniques →
window of opportunity

973 Science Teams



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Observers lead, collaborating with theorists, modeling experts, and instrumentalists, work toward a concrete definition of FAST key programs and early science goals.

1. Pulsar Observations and Theories (Xu@PKU)
2. From Atoms to Star: ISM and Star Formation (Li@ NAOC)
3. Galaxy Evolution and Structures (Zhu@NAOC)
4. Cosmology and Dark Matter (Zhu@BNU)
5. Radio Spectroscopy and Masers (Wang@NJU)
6. Multi-beam System and VLBI (Jin@NAOC)

1) Galaxy and Cosmology



FAST HI Galaxy
Survey:
1000 per day

Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 383, 150–160 (2008)

doi:10.1111/j.1365-2966.2007.12537.x

Galaxy redshift surveys selected by neutral hydrogen using
the Five-hundred metre Aperture Spherical Telescope

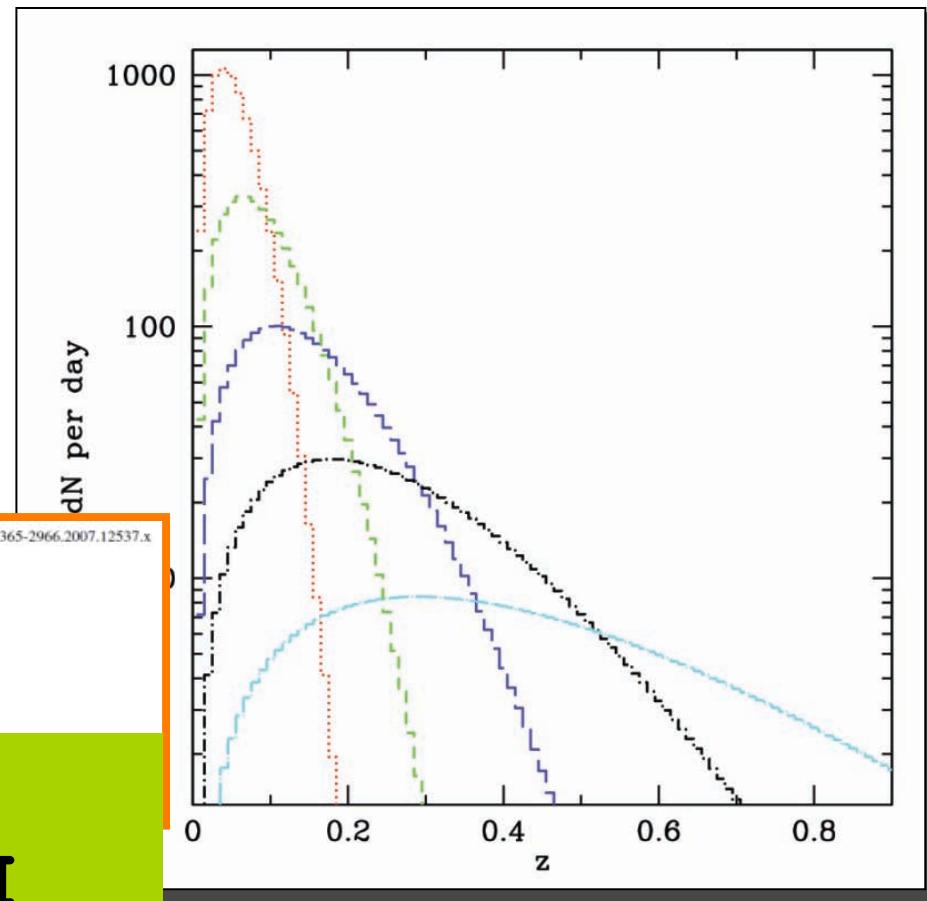
Alan R. Duffy,^{1,2*} Richard A. Battye,¹ Rod D. Davies,¹ Adam Moss³
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973: prepare survey
methods, understand HI
mass function

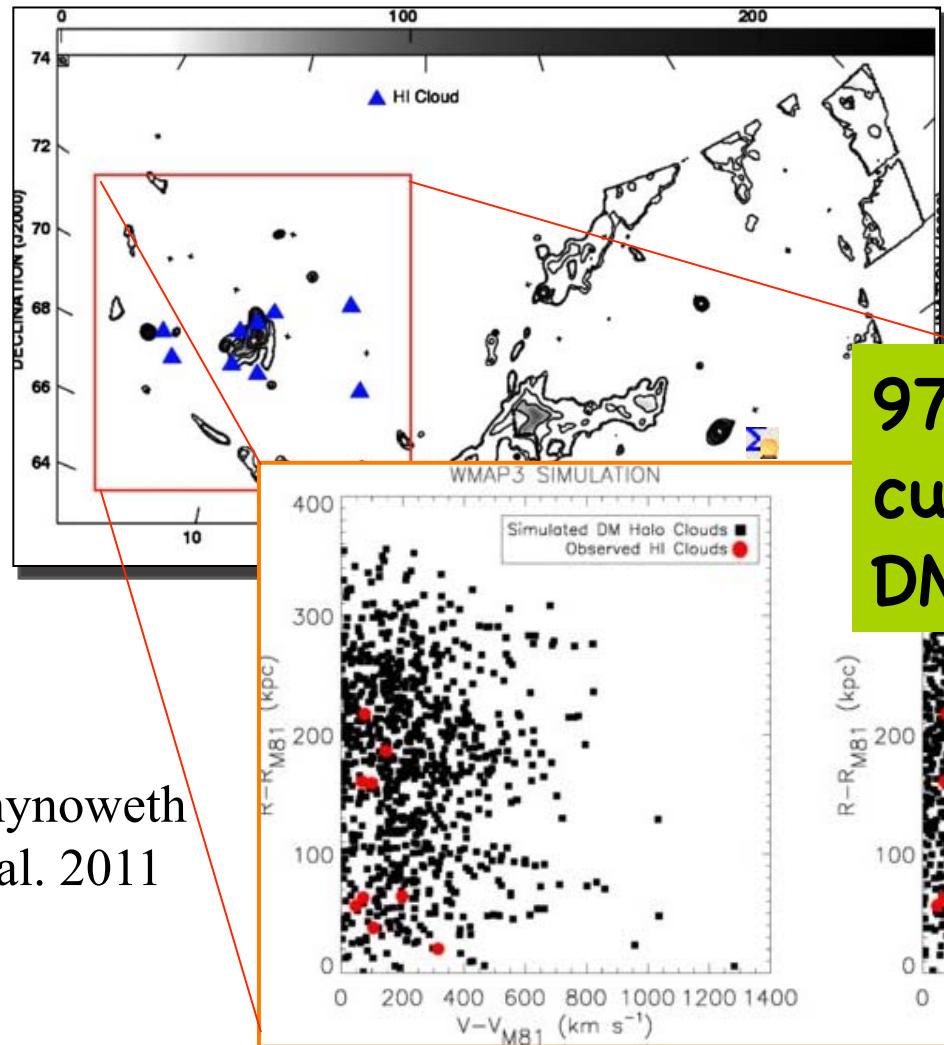


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1) Missing Satellite Problem



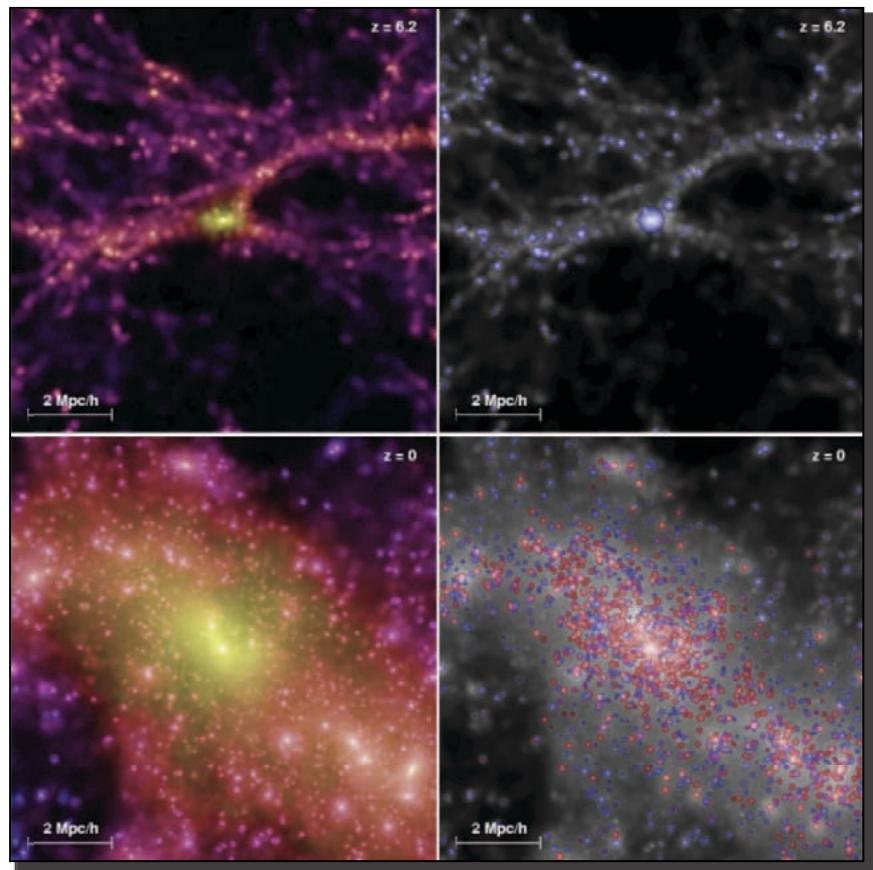
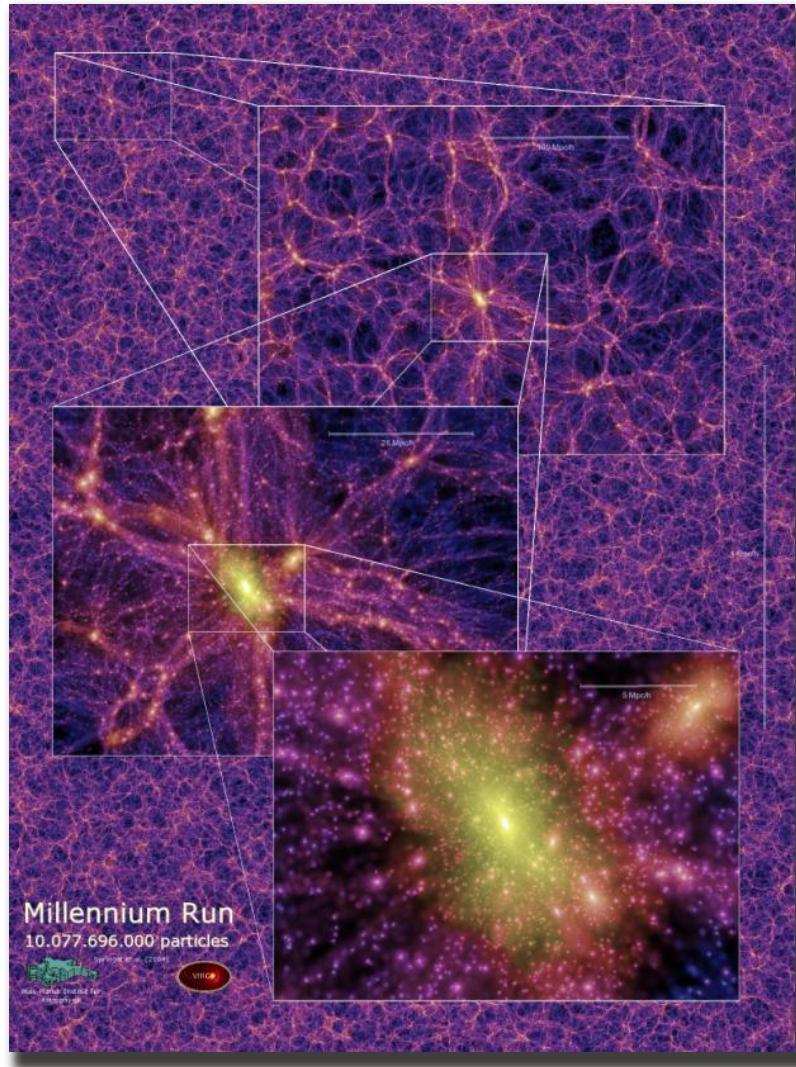
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973: summarize the current understanding of DM - HI relationship

2) Star Formation: 点亮暗宇宙



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(Springel et al. 2005, *Nature*)

Treatment of SF



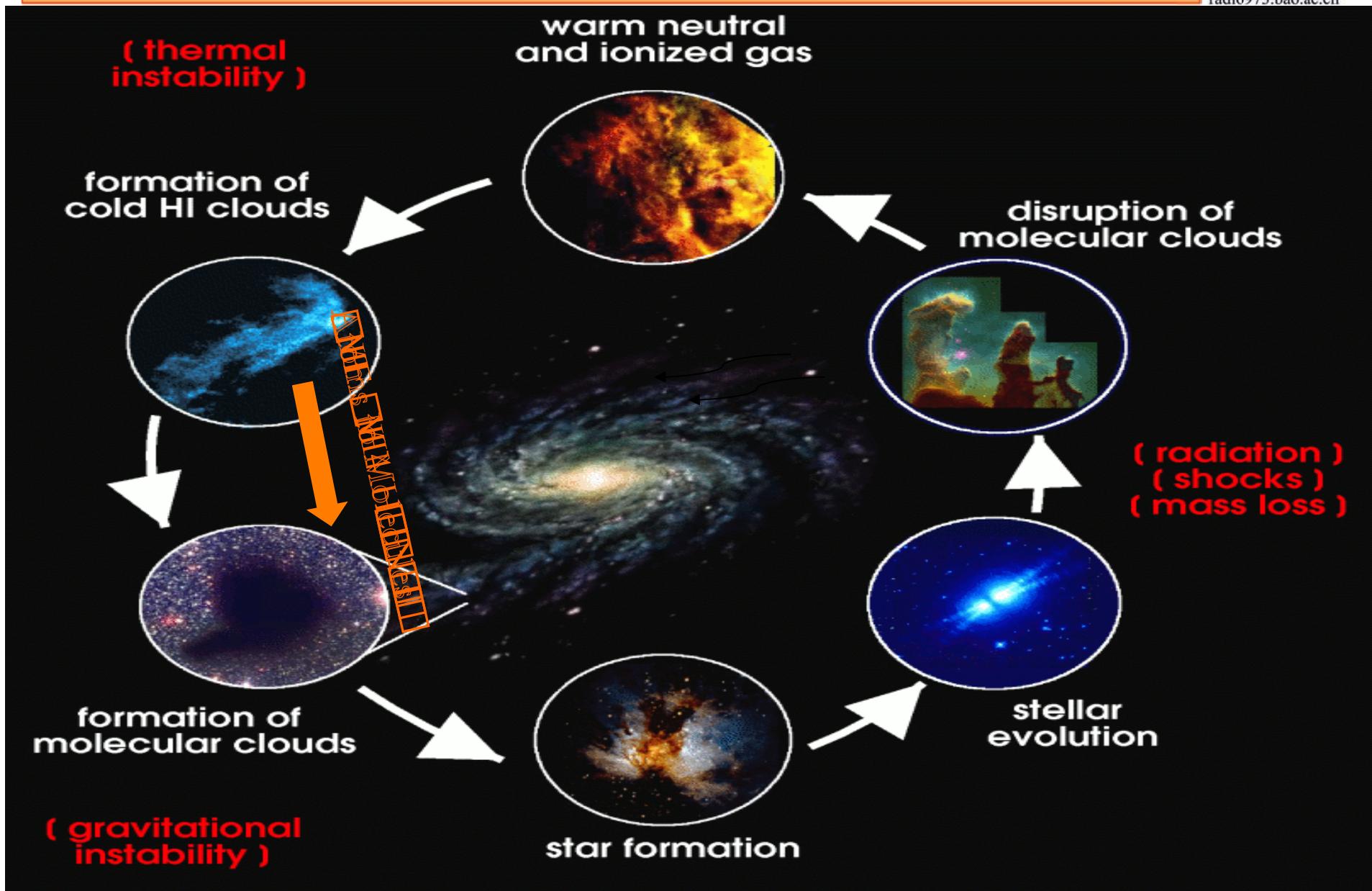
- “Semi-Analytic”

The Millennium simulation – Virgo Consortium
Collisionless dark matter particle +
Analytic equations of cooling, star formation, and feedback.

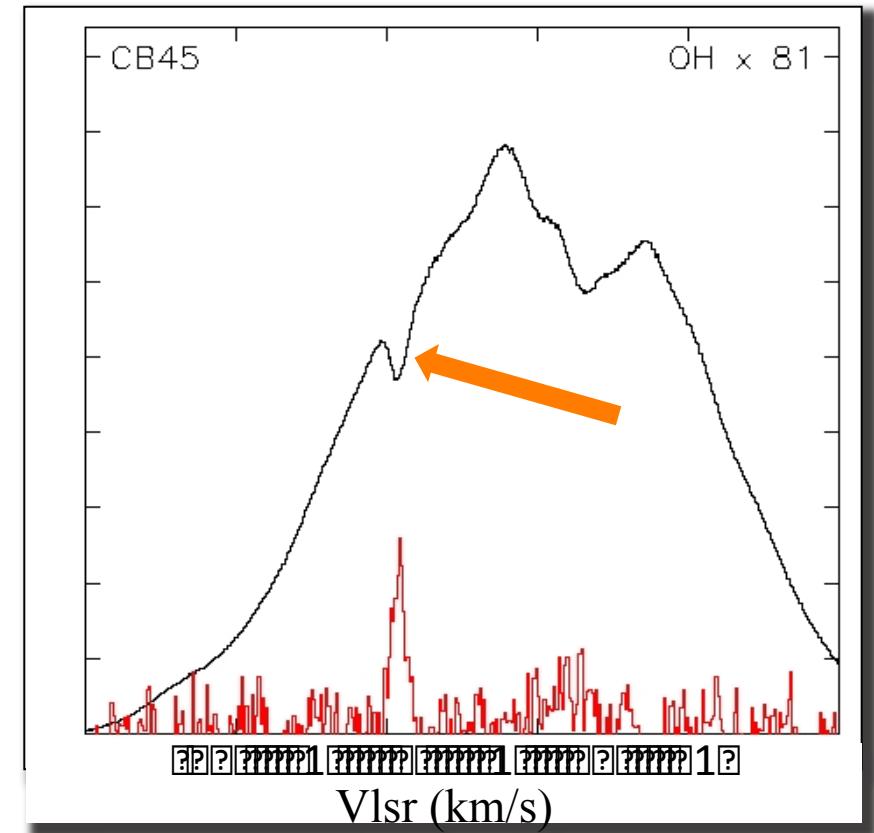
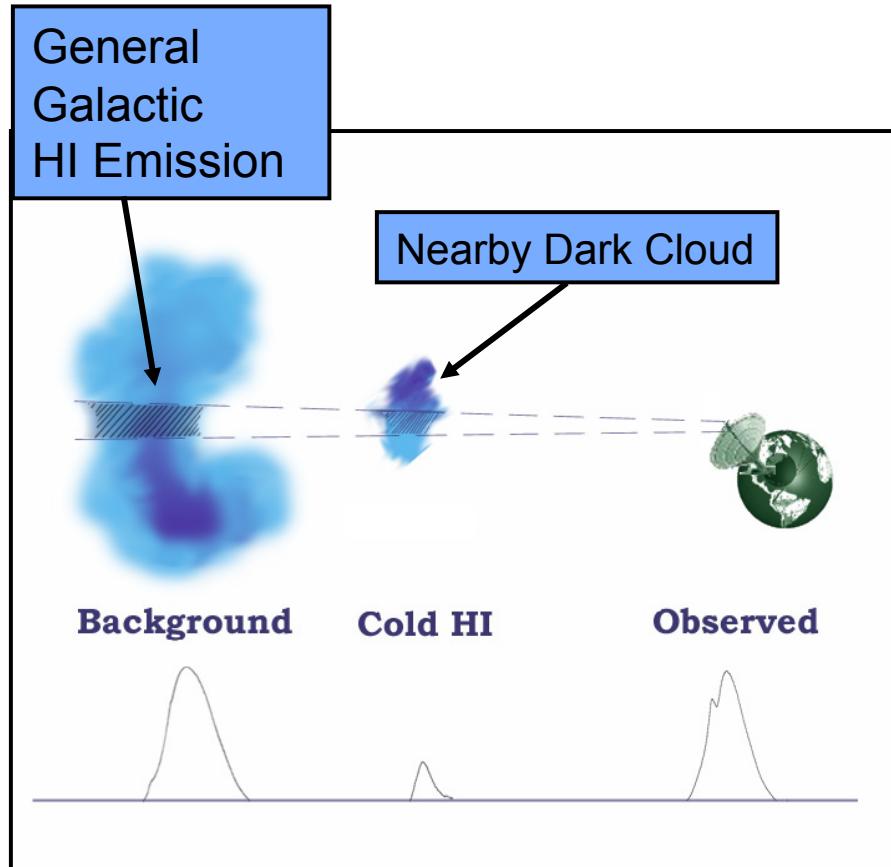
- “Dissipative”

Hydrodynamic Simulations
Overwhelmingly Large Simulations (OWLS)
(Schaye et al. 2009 MNRAS)
Dark matter particles + gas particles +
parametric treatment of star formation.

2) Life Cycle of ISM □



2) HINSA Reveals Cold HI



(Li & Goldsmith 2003)

HI Narrow Self Absorption (HINSA)

Atoms (HI) to Molecules (H₂)

Fractional Abundance of HI

$$x_1(t) = 1 - \frac{2k'n_0}{2k'n_0 + \zeta_{H_2}} \left[1 - \exp\left(\frac{-t}{\tau_{H_1 \rightarrow H_2}}\right) \right].$$

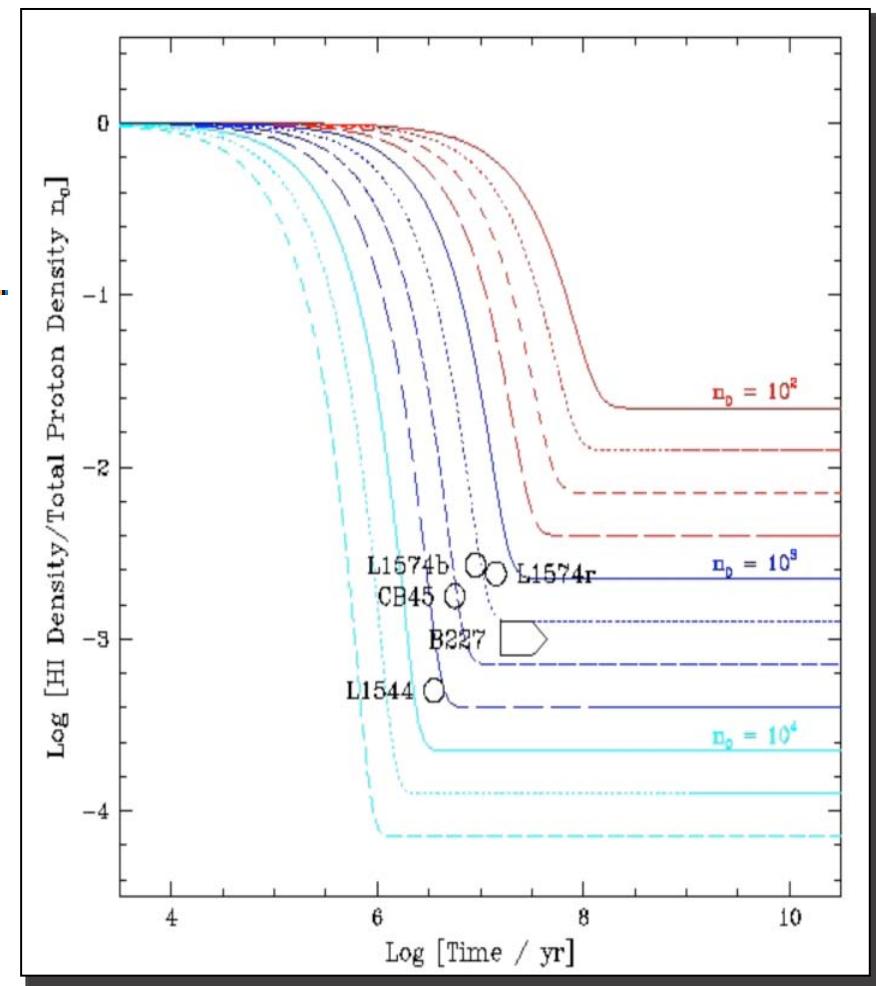
Characteristic Time Scale

$$\tau_{H_1 \rightarrow H_2} = \frac{1}{2k'n_0}, \quad T = 1.3 \times 10^9 \text{ yr}/n_0$$

Steady-State Abundance of HI

$$x_1 \rightarrow \frac{\zeta_{H_2}}{2k'n_0} \quad \text{or} \quad n_{H_1} \rightarrow \frac{\zeta_{H_2}}{2k'}.$$

Molecular Cloud Age: >10⁷ yr



(Goldsmith & Li 2005)

SF Time Scale



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Theory of Star Formation

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Key Words

accretion, galaxies, giant molecular clouds, gravitational collapse, HII regions, initial mass function, interstellar medium, jets and outflows, magnetohydrodynamics, protostars, star clusters, turbulence

Abstract

We review current understanding of star formation, outlining an overall theoretical framework and the observations that motivate it. A conception of star formation has emerged in which turbulence plays a dual role, both creating overdensities to initiate gravitational contraction or collapse, and countering the effects of gravity in these overdense regions. The key dynamical processes involved in star formation—turbulence, magnetic fields, and self-gravity—are highly nonlinear and multidimensional. Physical arguments are used to identify and explain the features and scalings involved in star formation, and results from numerical simulations are used to quantify these effects. We divide star formation into large-scale and small-scale regimes and review each in turn. Large scales range from galaxies to giant molecular clouds (GMCs) and their substructures. Important problems include how GMCs form and evolve, what determines the star formation rate (SFR), and what determines the initial mass function (IMF). Small scales range from dense cores to the protostellar systems they beget. We discuss formation of both low- and high-mass stars, including ongoing accretion. The development of winds and outflows is increasingly well understood, as are the mechanisms governing angular momentum transport in disks. Although outstanding questions remain, the framework is now in place to build a comprehensive theory of star formation that will be tested by the next generation of telescopes.

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Observationally, core lifetimes can be estimated by using chemical clocks or from statistical inference. The formation of complex molecules takes $\sim 10^5$ years at typical core densities, but this clock can be reset by events that bring fresh C and C^{+} into the core, such as turbulence or outflows (Langer et al. 2000). A potentially more robust clock is provided by observations of cold HI in cores: Goldsmith & Li (2005) infer ages of $10^{6.5-7}$ years for five dark clouds from the low observed values of the H^0/H_2 ratio. These age estimates would be reduced if clumping is significant and hence the time-averaged molecule formation rate is accelerated, but, as in the case of complex molecules, they would be increased if turbulent mixing were effective in bringing in fresh atomic hydrogen. In simulations of molecule formation in a turbulent (and therefore clumpy) medium, Glover & Mac Low (2007) find that H_2 formation is indeed accelerated when compared with the nonturbulent case, although the atomic fractions they found are substantially greater than those observed by Goldsmith & Li (2005). If confirmed, these ages, which are considerably greater than a free-fall time, would suggest that these dark clouds are quasi-equilibrium structures.

Statistical studies of core lifetimes are based on comparing the number of starless cores with the number of cores with embedded YSOs and the number of visible T Tauri stars (TTTs). The ages of the cores (starless and with embedded YSOs) can then be inferred from the ages of the T Tauri population, provided that most of the observed starless cores will eventually become stars. The results of several such studies have been summarized by Ward-Thompson et al. (2007), who conclude that lifetimes are typically $3 - 5 t_{ff}$ for starless cores with densities $n_{H_2} = 10^{3.5} - 10^{5.5} \text{ cm}^{-3}$. This is not consistent with dynamical collapse, nor is it consistent with a long period ($> 5 t_{ff}$) of

H₂ Formation and SF



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RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS

GEOPHYSICS
Glaciers going, going...
Geophys. Res. Lett. doi:10.1029/2010GL042816 (2010)
As much as half of the glacial retreat documented in the Swiss Alps in recent decades could be due to natural cycles in the North Atlantic climate.
Matthias Huss at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich and his co-authors combined field data with computer modelling to develop a year-by-year model of the surface mass balance from 1908 to 2008. The team compared their records with global climate data as well as with regional climate trends relating to multidecadal oscillations in Atlantic Ocean surface temperatures.
The findings may help to sharpen predictions of the impact of future climate change on glaciers, the authors say. J.T.

ASTRONOMY
Clouds with an H₂ lining
Astrophys. J. 715, 1370–1382 (2010)
Clouds are often seen as wispy clouds of gas. Figuring out where such clouds begin and end is tricky because their main component, molecular hydrogen (H₂), is often too cold to be seen by telescopes.
Paul Goldsmith and his colleagues at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, have used the orbiting Spitzer Space Telescope to find the edge-on emission from transitions in the rotational states of molecular hydrogen, they found hints of a warm layer of H₂ on the surface of the cloud. The team suggests that the properties of the hot edge could be related to circulation of gas within the cloud. G.B.

ECOLOGY
What's that whale?
Genome Res. doi:10.1101/gp102954;109 (2010)
Killer whales consist of several species, not just one, according to a genetic study.
Different populations or 'ecotypes' of killer whale (*Orcinus orca*) vary in traits such as body size, social structure and preferred prey. Yet analyses of fragments of their mitochondrial DNA — which is inherited only from the mother and is often studied to define species — have revealed very low levels of genetic diversity within ecotypes, probably because of low mutation rates.
Phillip Morin of the National Marine Fisheries Service in La Jolla, California, and his colleagues examined the entire mitochondrial genome of 139 whales from the North Pacific, North Atlantic and

PHYSIOLOGY
Marathon metabolites
Science Transl. Med. 2, 39ra37 (2010)
A team of researchers has found metabolites that yielded indicators of physical fitness.
Robert Gersten and Gregory Lewis at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston and their colleagues analysed blood samples taken from 70 people before and after a ten-minute run on a treadmill. The researchers found that, across the group, the levels of 21 metabolites changed during the run. Some of these metabolites are linked to cardiovascular fitness and faster times in the Boston Marathon. Furthermore, fit volunteers showed signs of having more efficient fat metabolism than less fit individuals.
Feeding cultured cells a mixture of five of the 21 metabolites — glycerol, niacinamide, glucose-6-phosphate, pantothenate and succinate — rapidly boosted expression of the NUR77 protein, which controls glucose and lipid metabolism in muscles. H.L.

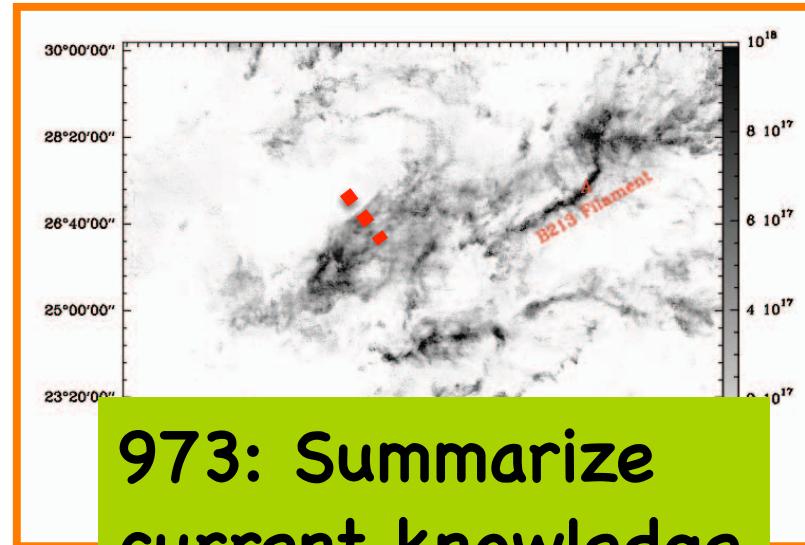
For a longer story on this research, see go.nature.com/g5f49p

GENOMICS
Transposition trends
Genome Res. doi:10.1101/gp106493;10 (2010)
Researchers have mapped the genomic locations of almost every member of a family of human retrotransposons — short DNA segments that can move around the genome — one-third of the genome. These elements — which can affect physical traits — copy and then paste themselves back into the genome at various locations. Despite their abundance, they are not as well studied as other forms of genomic variation.

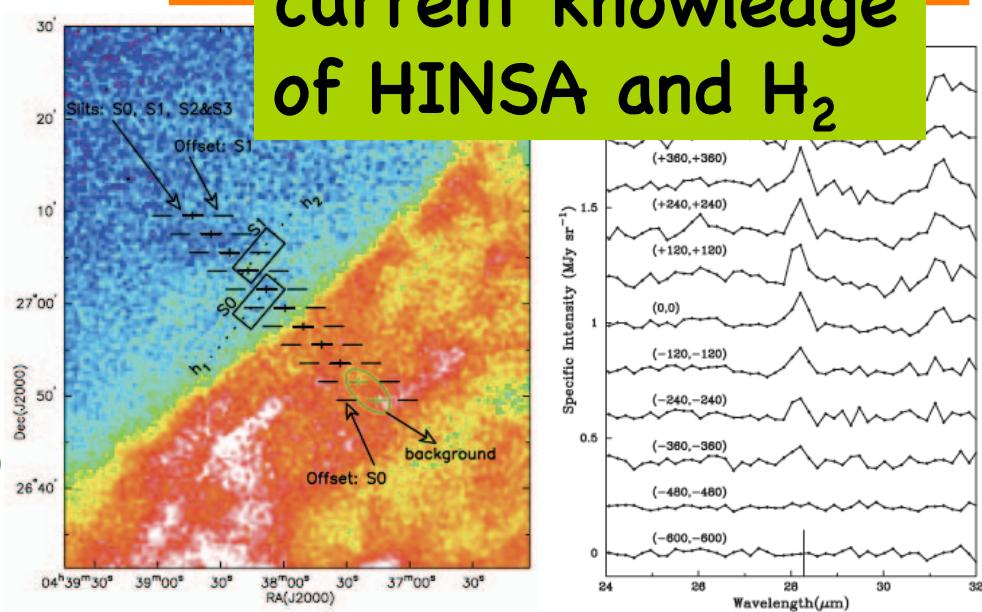
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detects warm
H₂ around dark
clouds



973: Summarize
current knowledge
of HINSA and H₂

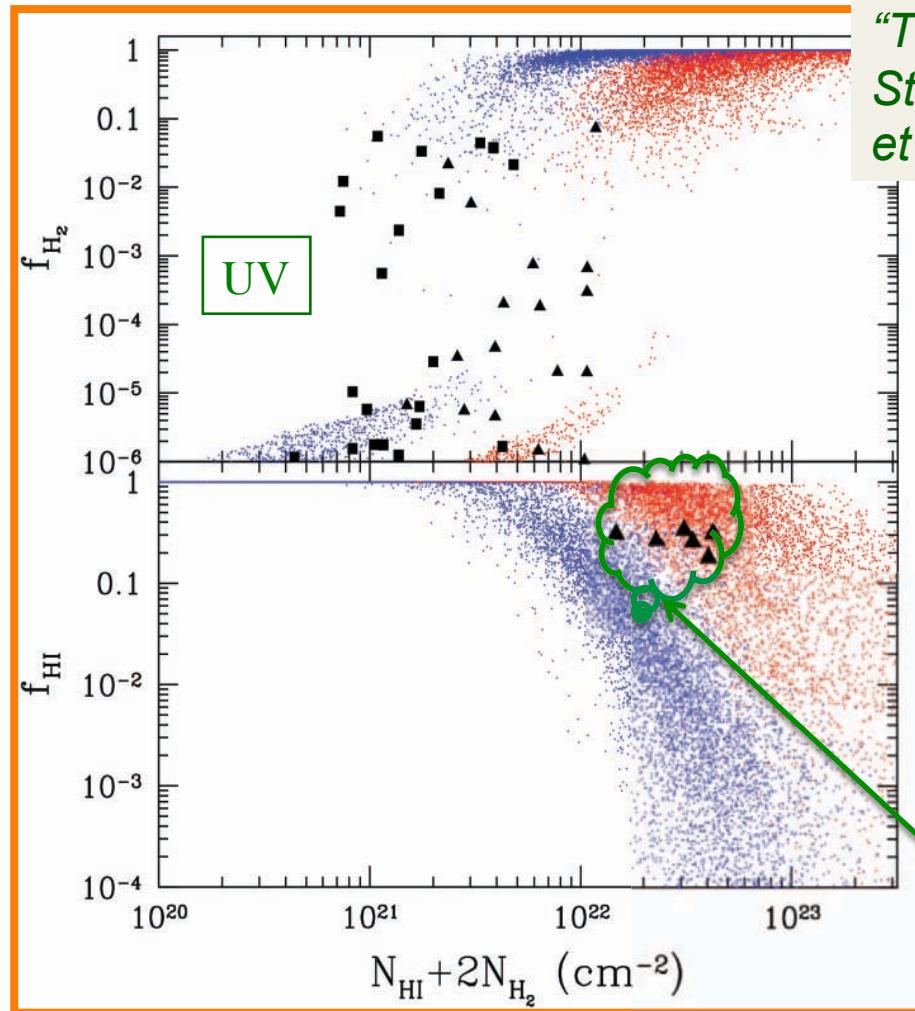


(Goldsmith, Velusamy, Li & Langer 2010)

Implications for Sim.



N. Gnedin & A. Kravtsov 2010



"The Impact of Baryon Physics on the Structure of High-redshift Galaxies", Zemp et al. 2012

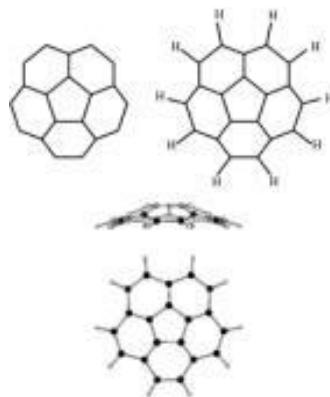
The atomic-to-molecular transition ... is rather sharp and shifts to higher densities with decreasing dust-to-gas ratio and/or increasing FUV flux.

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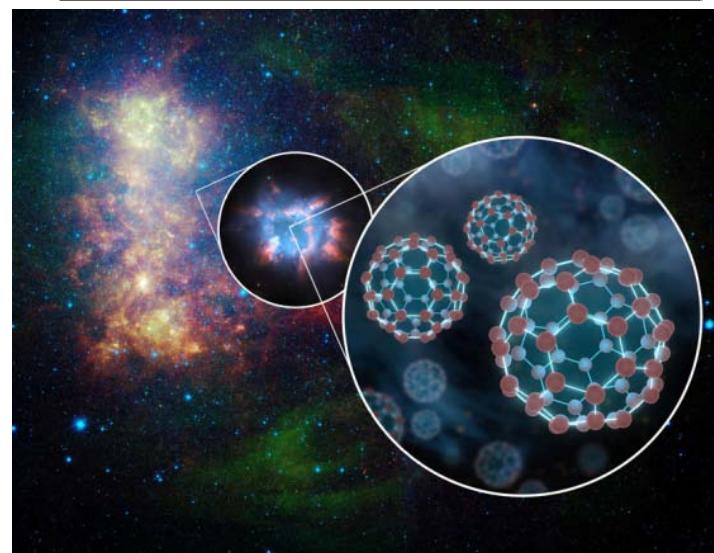
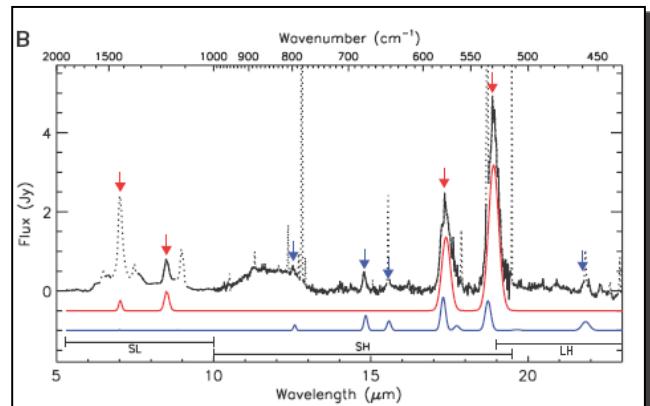
Goldsmith & Li 2005

2) ISM: New Components

- Molecules in the ISM & Benchmark molecules identified
- OB stars, the primary targets for spectroscopy, is one A red clump star
- FAST: complementary survey over frequency radio bands
- Search for "Pebbles" and large organic molecules (*Nao, Li, Jia et al. IJMPD 2011*)



C_{60} 和 C_{70} (Buckyballs) in space



Cami et al. 2010, *Science* 329, 1180

3) Pulsar Surveys

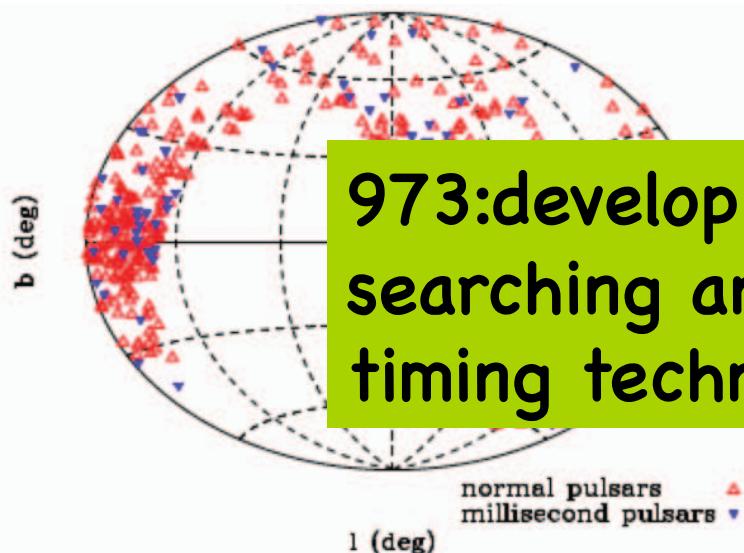
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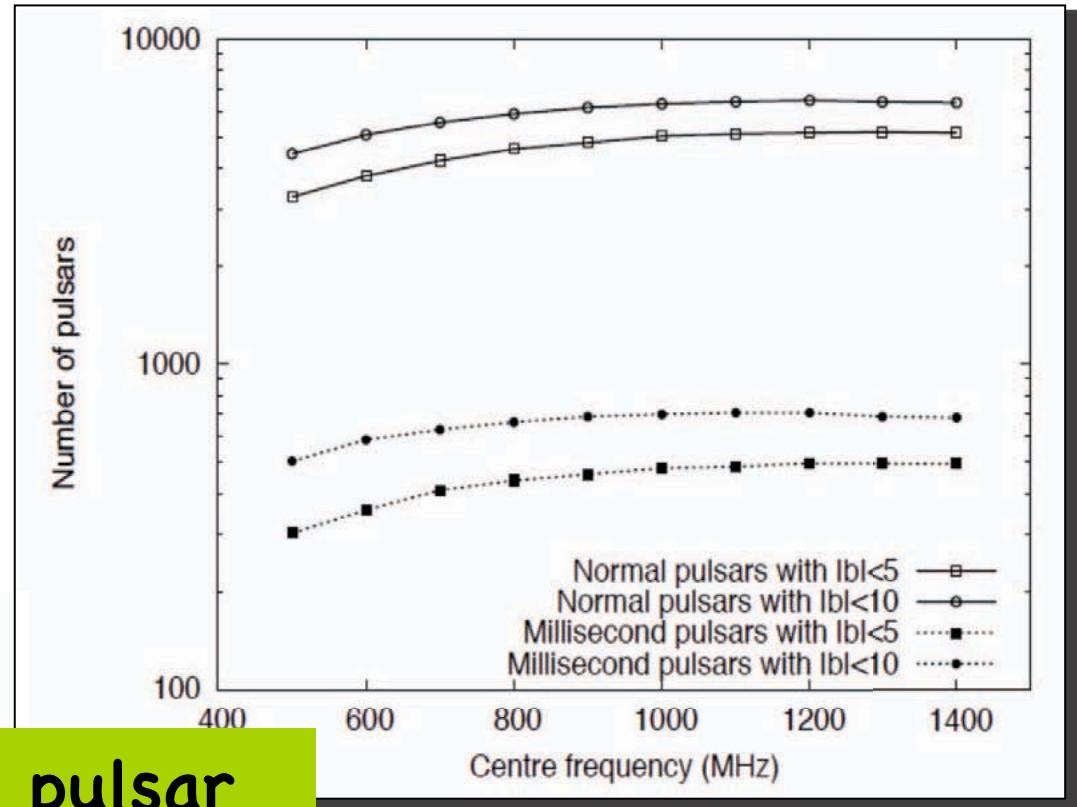
~300 MSP

Survey time : 200d

Integration : 600s



973:develop pulsar
searching and
timing techniques



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Astronomy
& Astrophysics

Pulsar science with the Five hundred metre Aperture
Spherical Telescope

R. Smits¹, D. R. Lorimer^{2,3}, M. Kramer^{1,4}, R. Manchester⁵, B. Stappers¹, C. J. Jin⁶, R. D. Nan⁶, and D. Li⁷

3) Pulsar-BH System

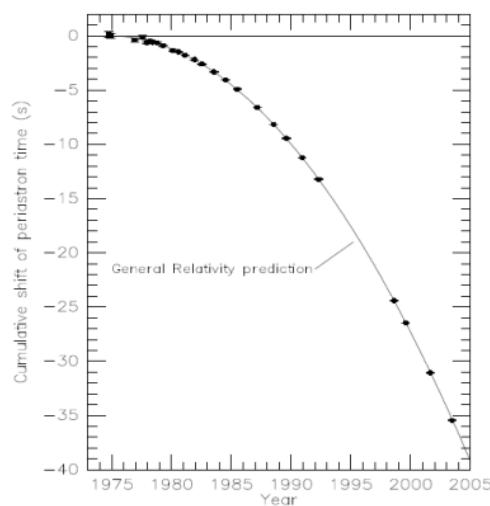
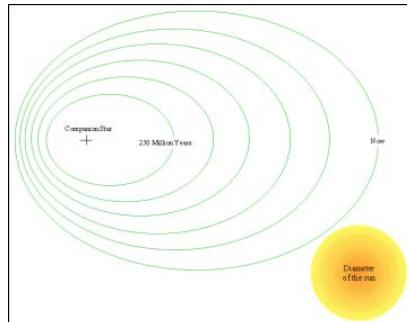
Pulsar-Neutron Star (1974)

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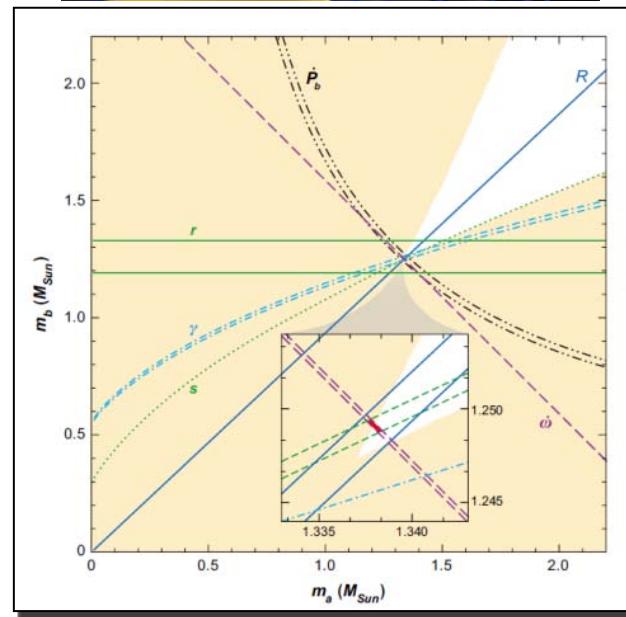
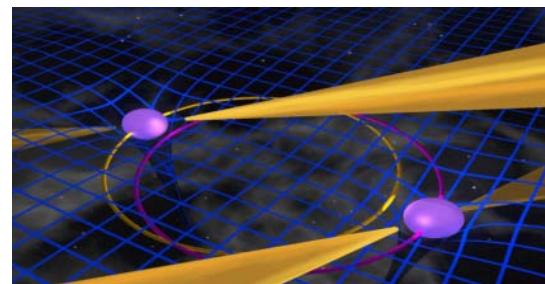
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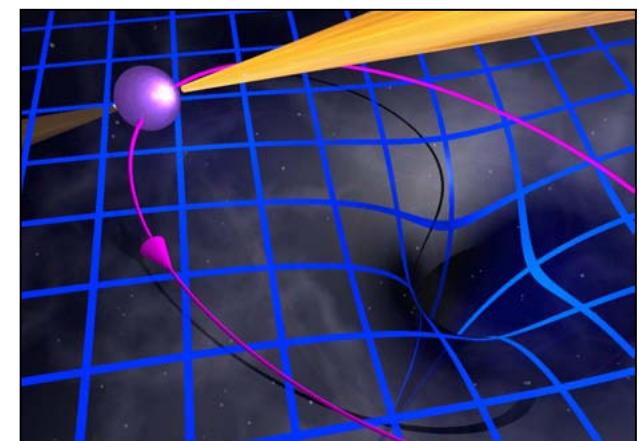
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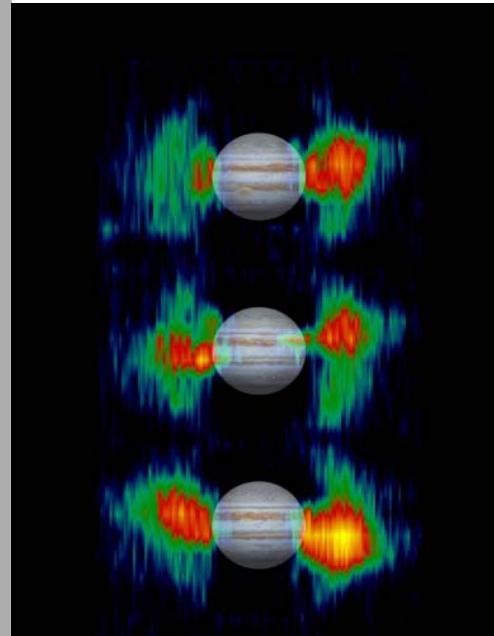
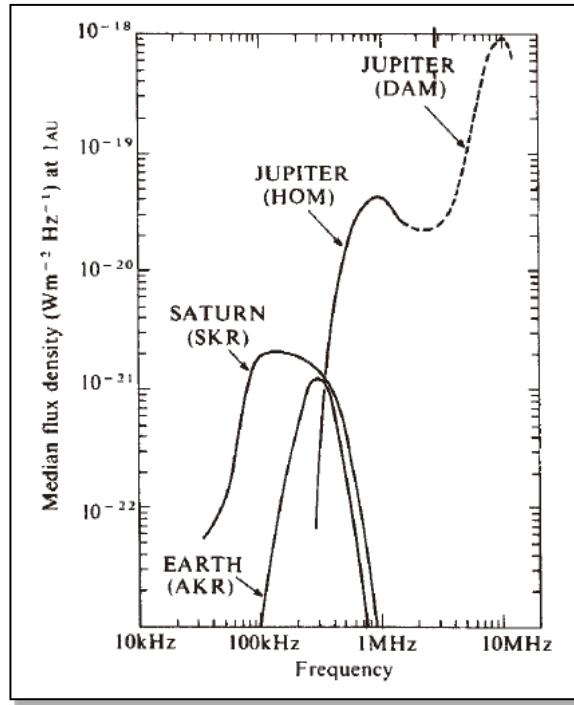
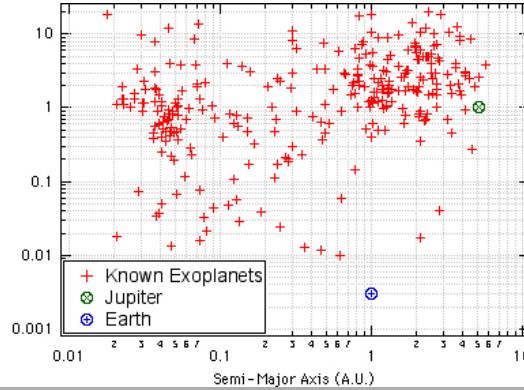
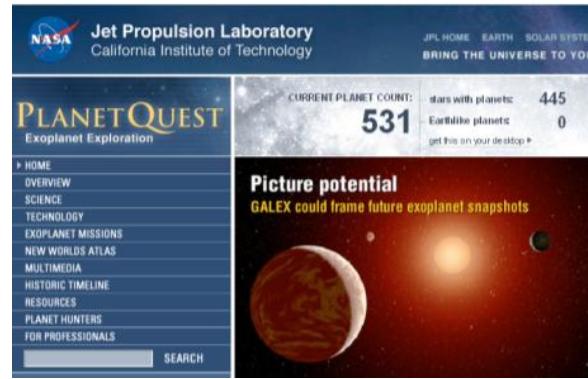
KERMAN & SMITH (2008), TAKAHASHI

Pulsar-BH
BH physics and
precise measurement
of GR effects



973: move beyond
acceleration search

4) Planetary Radio Emission

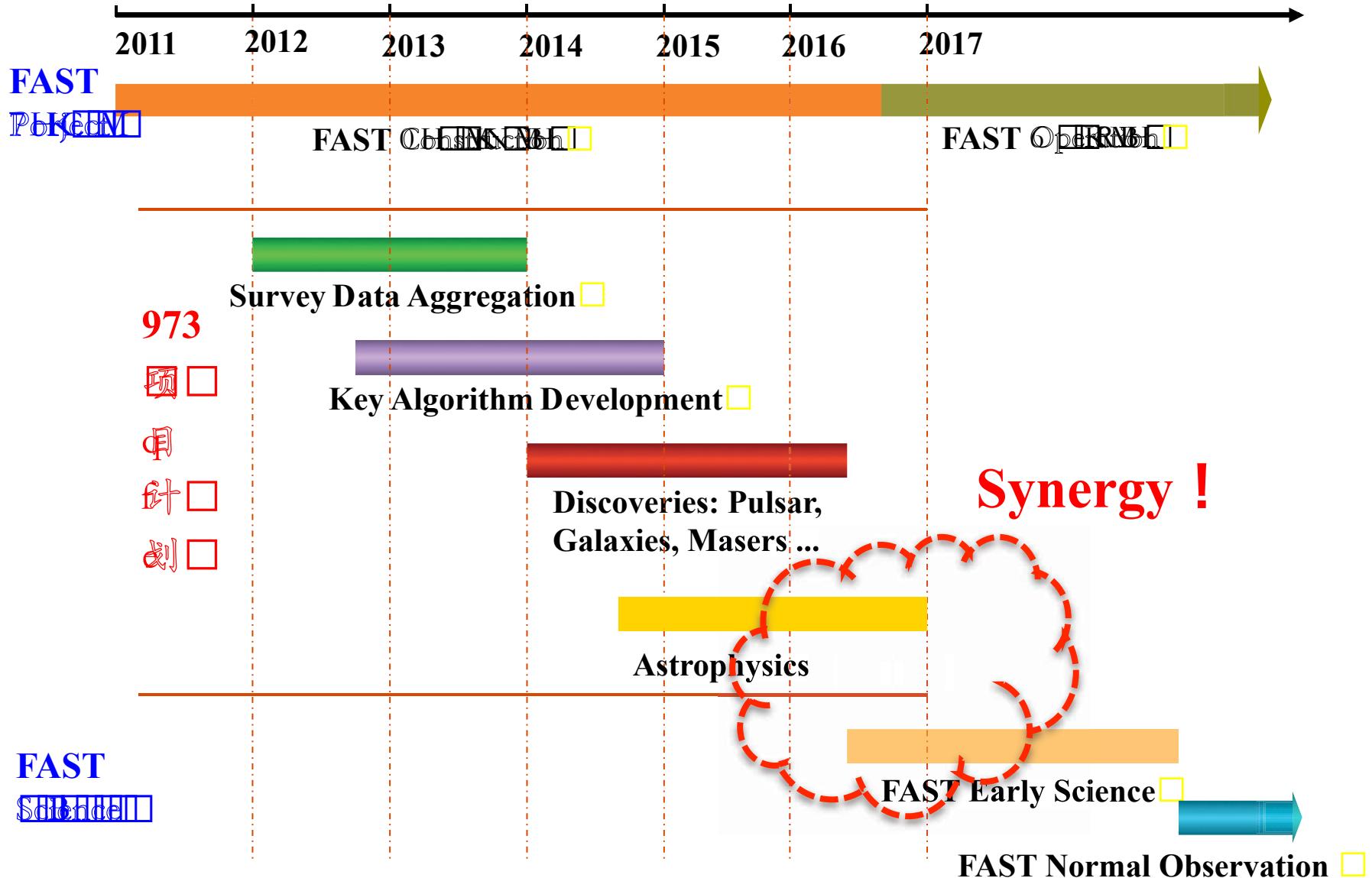


FAST high sensitivity
=>
time modulation signal?

(Li 2009, EGU invited talk)

973:verify
method, model
and targets

Planning Diagram

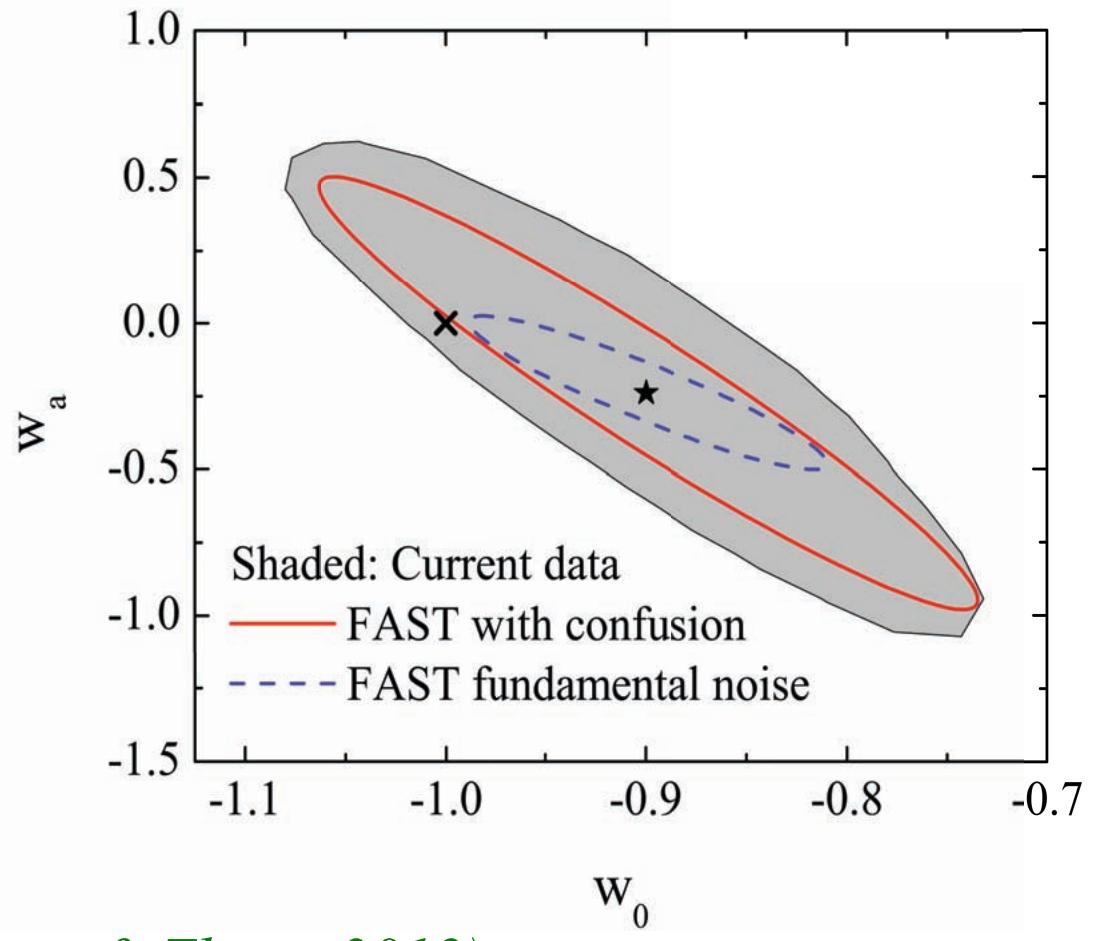
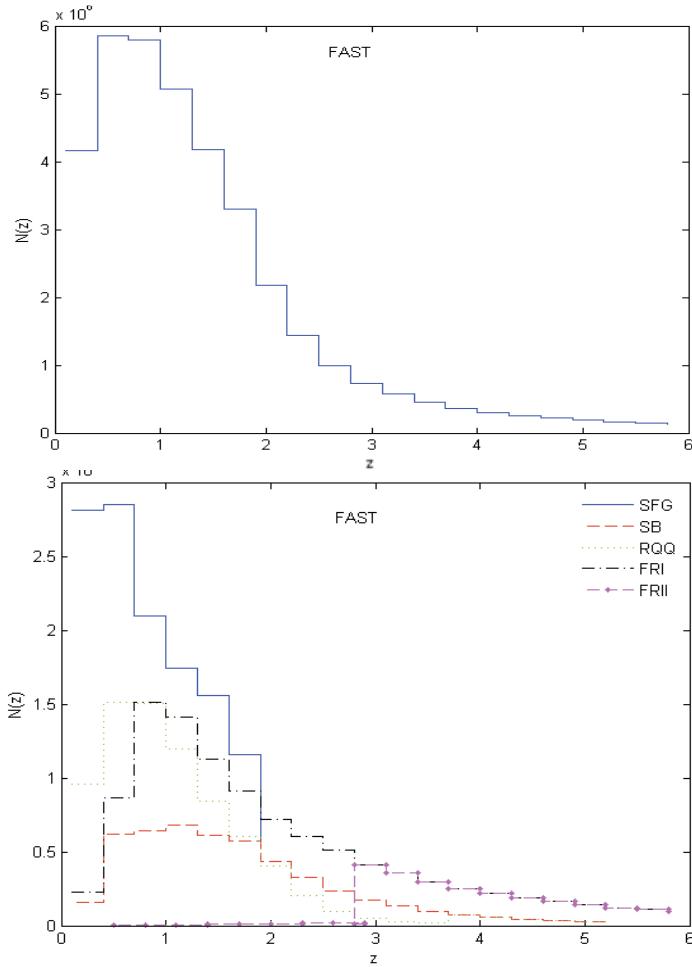


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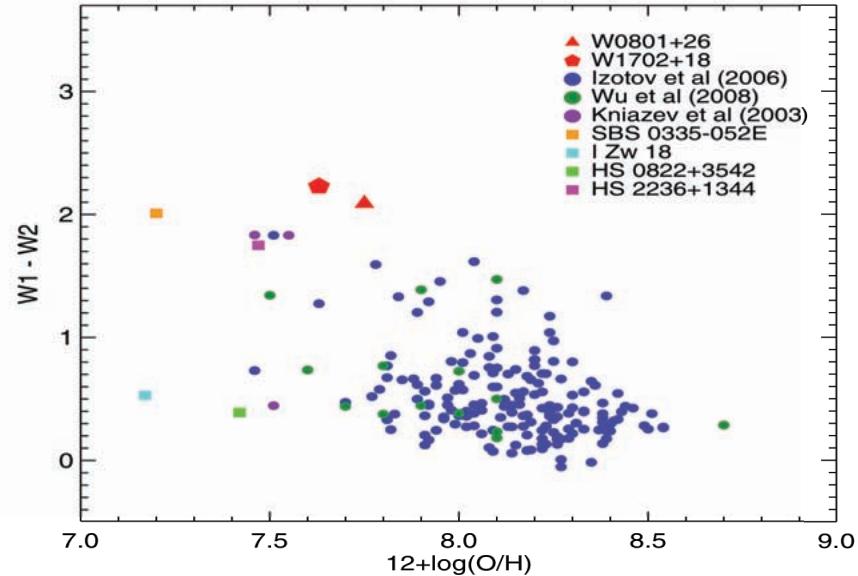
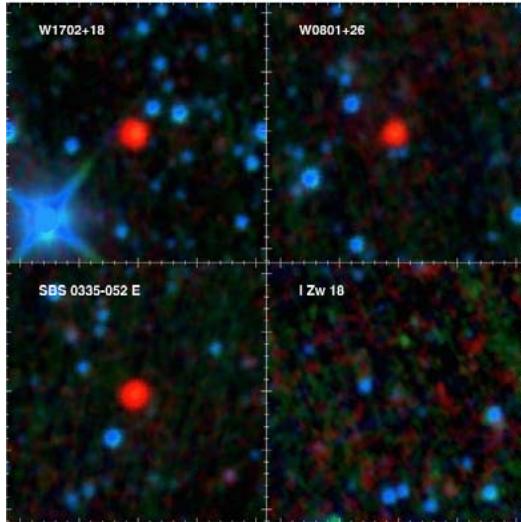


(Yue, Li, Zhao, & Zhang 2012)

WISE BCD



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Proposal Title: HI Content of Mid-IR Bright, Low Metallicity Blue Compact Dwarf Galaxies
ABSTRACT:

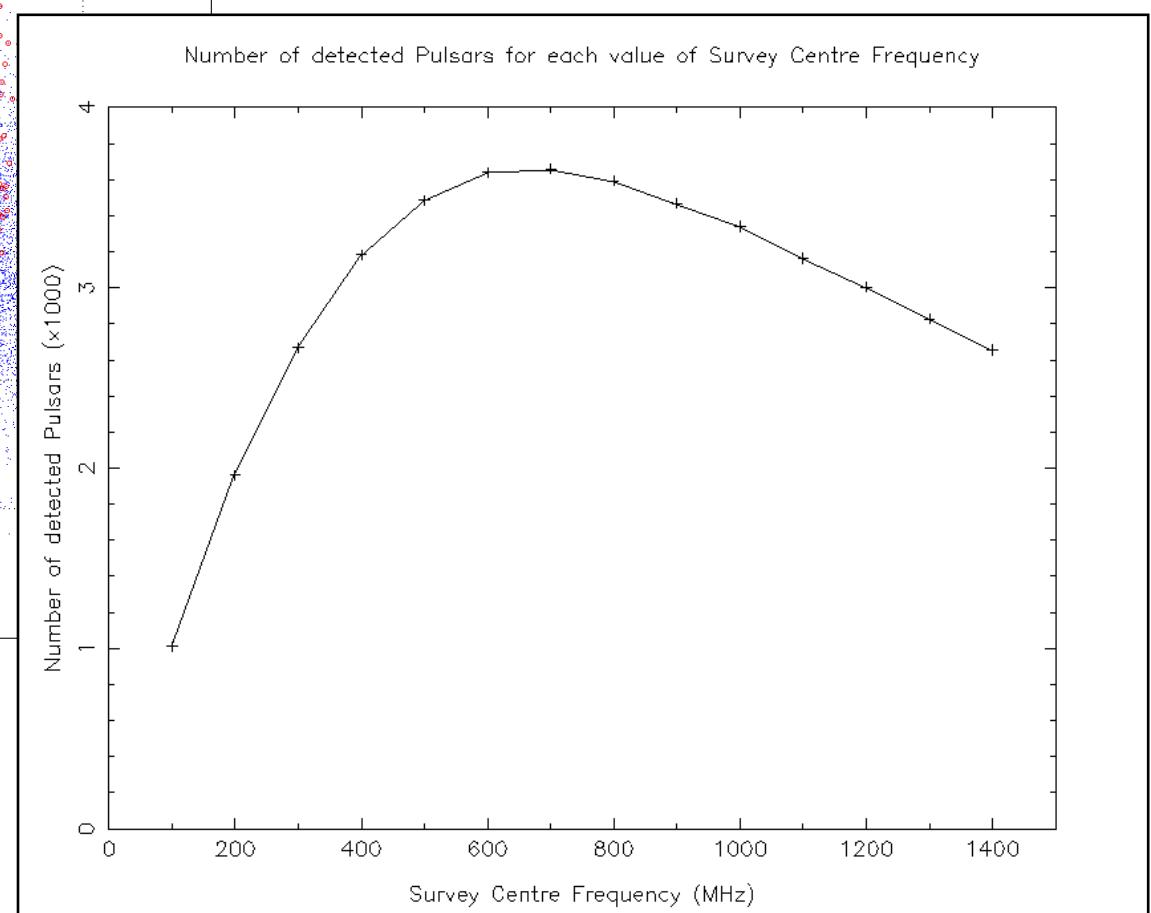
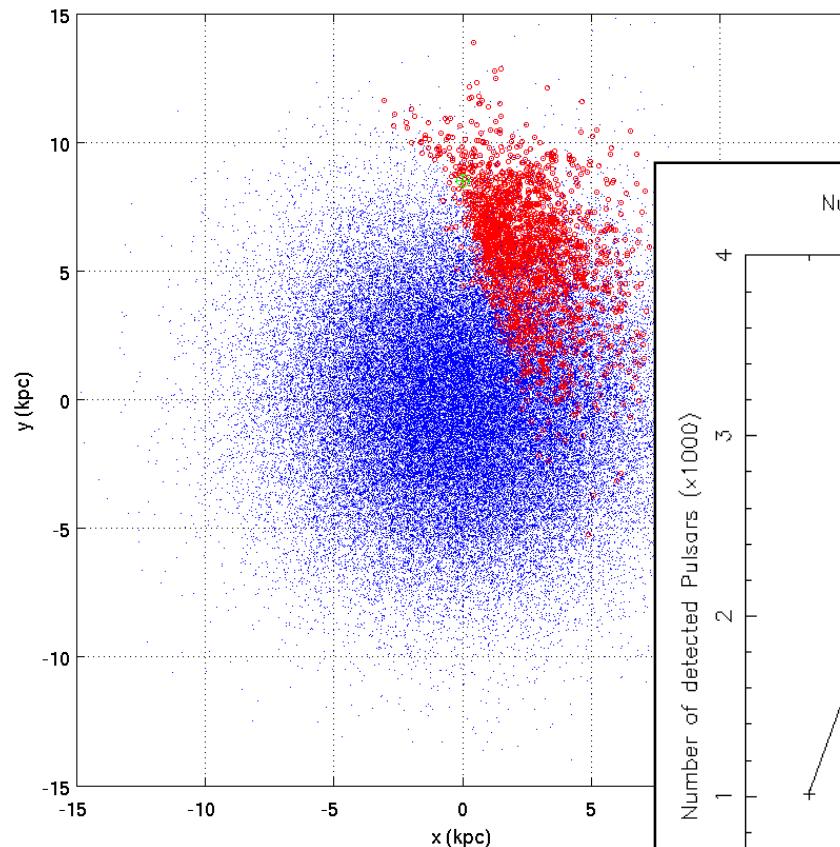
We propose to measure the HI contents of four selected nearby metal-poor blue compact dwarf galaxies (BCDs) using ALFA on Arecibo Telescope. These BCDs, selected by their red and bright mid-infrared emission using WISE mid-infrared data, are undergoing a starburst phase in the low metallicity environments, possibility their first major episode of star formation. It is a mystery why the gas in these systems has remained in a relatively pristine state with little metal enrichment in their early star formation cycles over the Hubble time, but recently have they exhibited active star formation. The proposed observations will probe the neutral gas as the fuel resource of the current intensive star formation activity, and provide the essential first step toward the further understanding of gas dynamics in these systems.

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3) FAST-Drift Scan

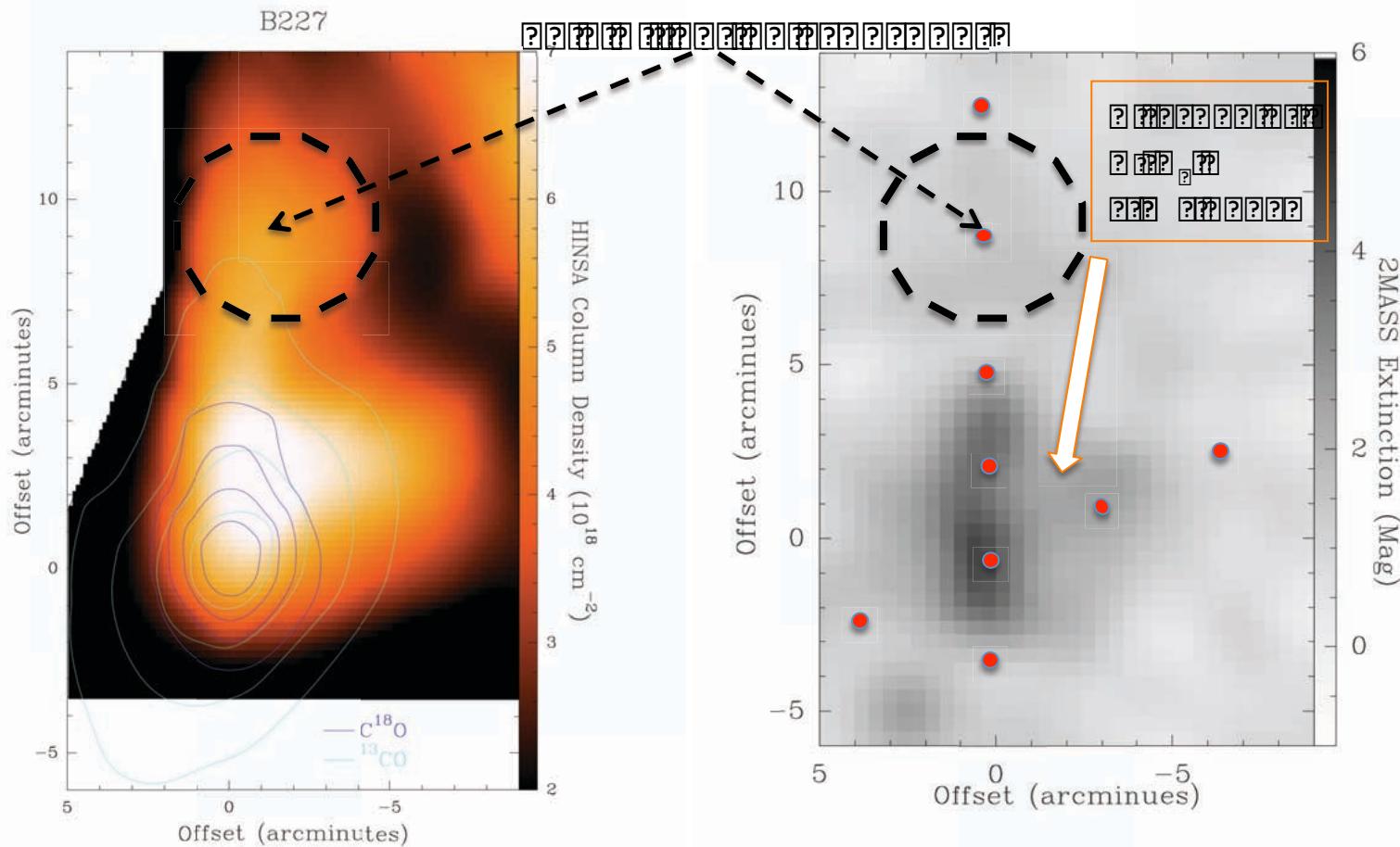


Yue, Li, Li, Jenet, Lorimer, Xu, 2012, in prep



The case for a
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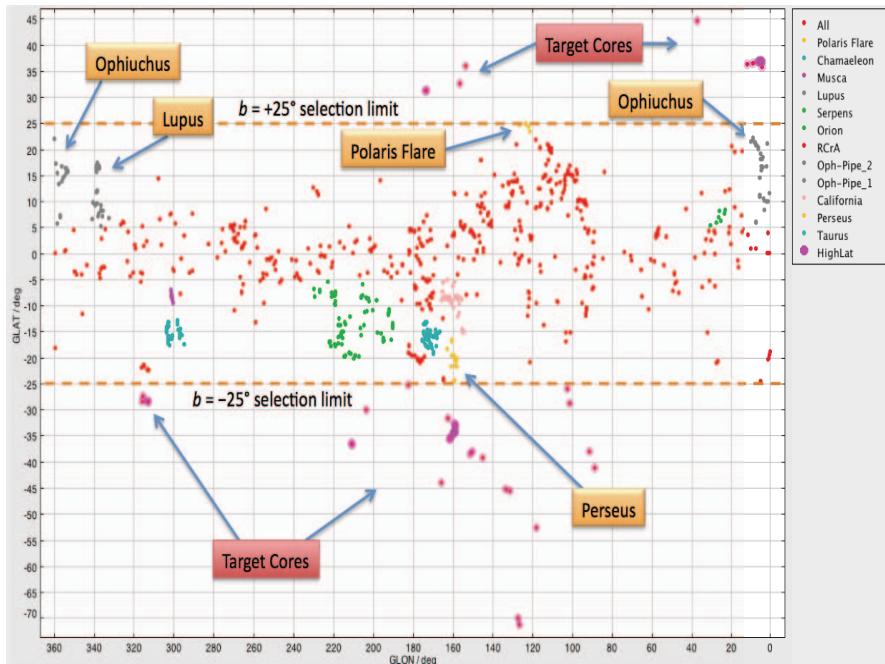
Probe HI-H₂ Transition



Herschel OT1 Program: *Isolated Dark Clouds with Signs of On Going H₂ Formation*

Arecibo proposal: A Sensitive Survey of HI Absorption in *Planck Cores*

Planck Cores



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Gas emissions in Planck cold dust cores

—A Survey of the J=1-0 Transitions of ^{12}CO , ^{13}CO , and C^{18}O

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本站首页

500米口径球面射电望远镜(Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope,简称FAST)是目前中国天文科学界正式立项并实施建设的国家重大科技基础设施，将成为世界上最大的单孔径射电望远镜。作为一个在关键技术指标上处于国际前沿的科学设备，FAST蕴藏着巨大的发现机遇，具有对天文学产生重大影响的潜力。FAST的立项及开建受到国际科学界和媒体的广泛关注，在《自然》杂志、《天空和望远镜》杂志及《纽约时报》都有报道。

FAST将于2016年在贵州建成。在FAST投入运行之前的五年时间里，中国射电天文界有义务利用现有设备，在与FAST相关的领域取得国际领先的成果，并为FAST运行作科学上的准备。我们只有培养足够的射电天文人才并且储备足够的创新思想，才可能在拥有自主建设的国际最先进的观测设备后，由本国科学家主导取得重大成果。

973指南中的“重要科学前沿领域”包含了“基于国家重大科学工程开展的前沿科学的研究”的方向。本项目围绕FAST这一国家重大科学工程开展研究。计划在未来五年内调动中国及国际天文界力量，完成几十个具体的射电前沿研究课题，推动FAST科研人才培养及储备。综合考虑FAST相关领域及国内现有人才，本项目设置六个相互依赖并互相促进的研究课题：

1. 脉冲星射电观测与理论研究；
2. 从原子到恒星：星际介质及恒星形成的射电研究；
3. 星系结构与星系演化；
4. 宇宙学和暗物质；
5. 射电光谱和脉泽源；
6. 低频多波束接收机和VLBI的设计预研。

这六个课题通过FAST的观测技术有机结合在一起，力图在多波段观测、基础理论及仪器设计等方面取得成果。本项目建议的首席科学家李菂研究员是中国科学院国家天文台射电天文研究部首席科学家、FAST项目科学家，美国Arecibo望远镜多波束巡天恒星形成课题的首席及美国宇航局多个观测项目的首席，有能力领导该项目。

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- 李菂研究员等赴Arecibo望远镜观测Planck Cores中的中性氢自吸收线
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