

# High Fidelity Modeling of the Youngest Stars with Schooner

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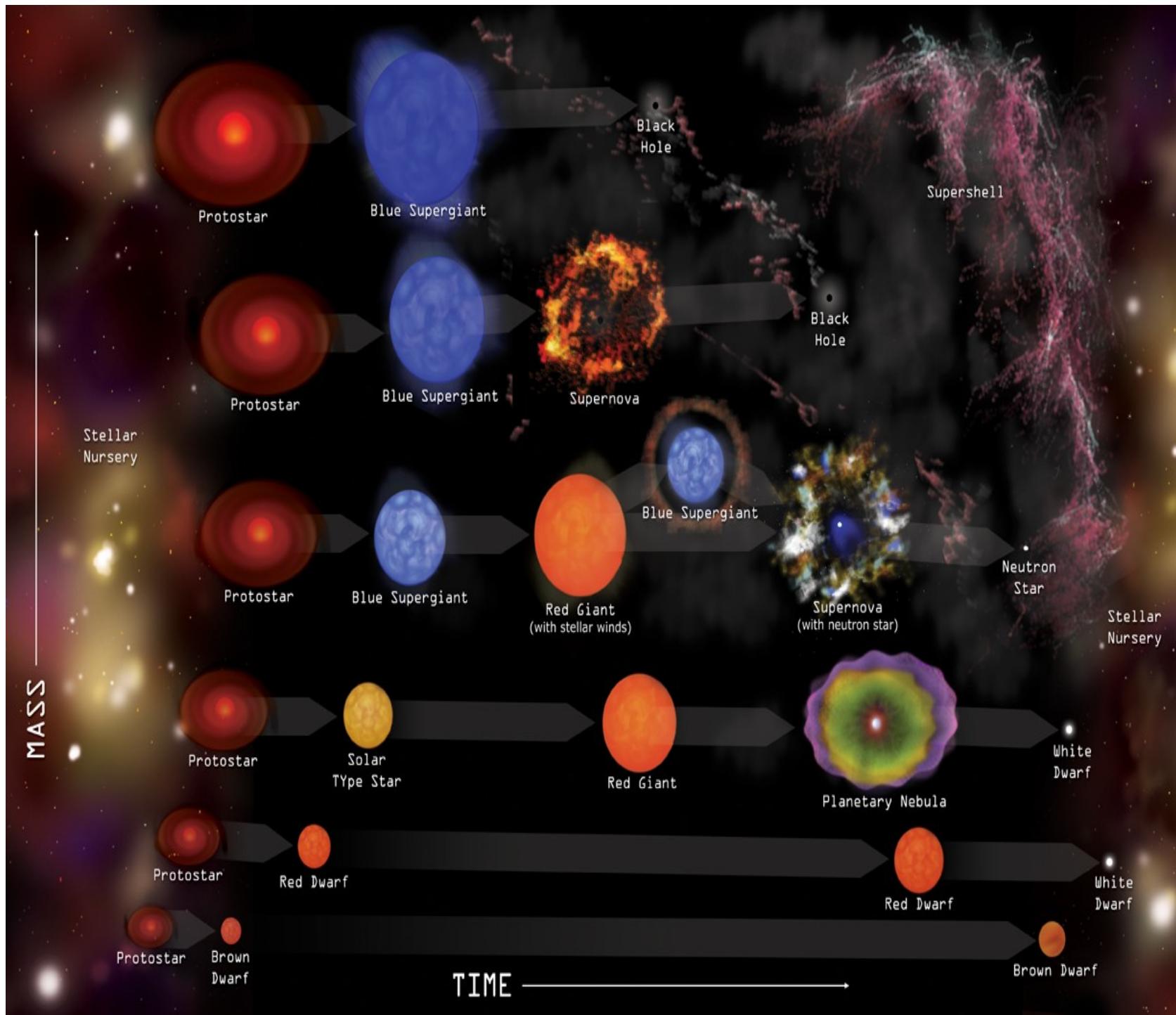
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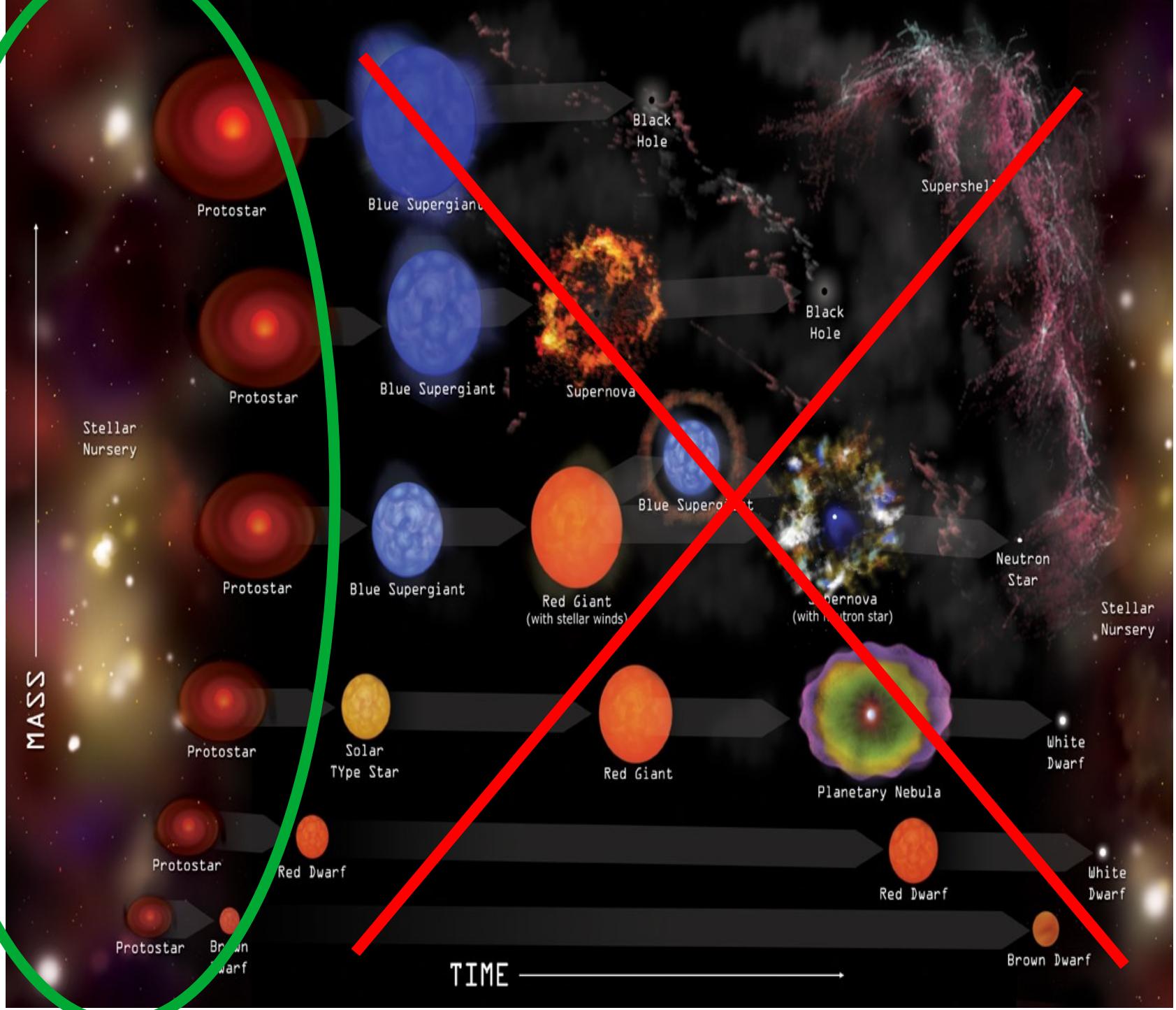
## Big Questions in Astronomy

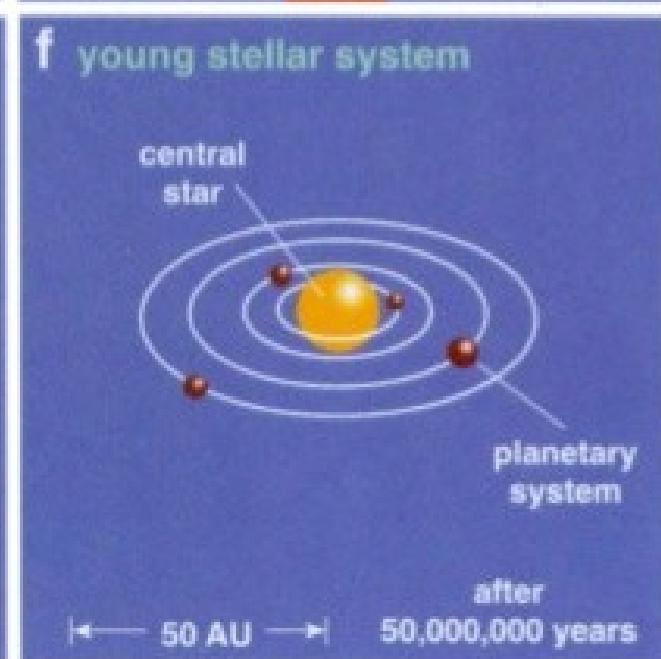
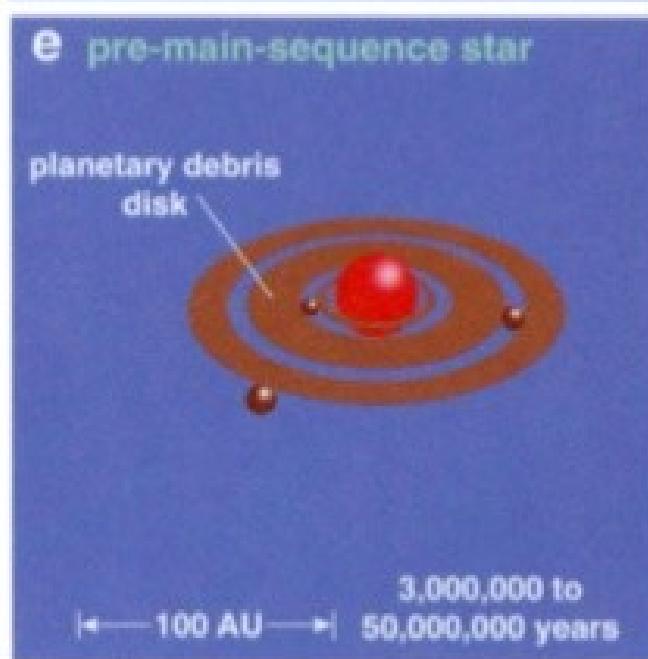
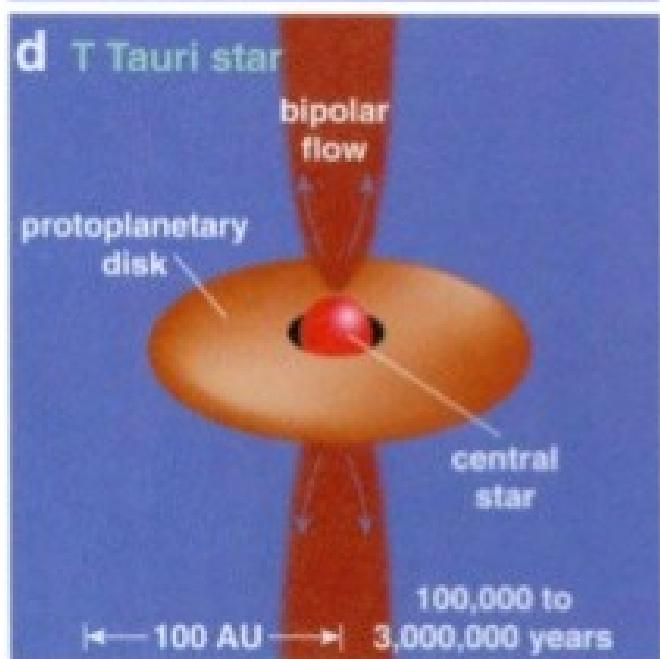
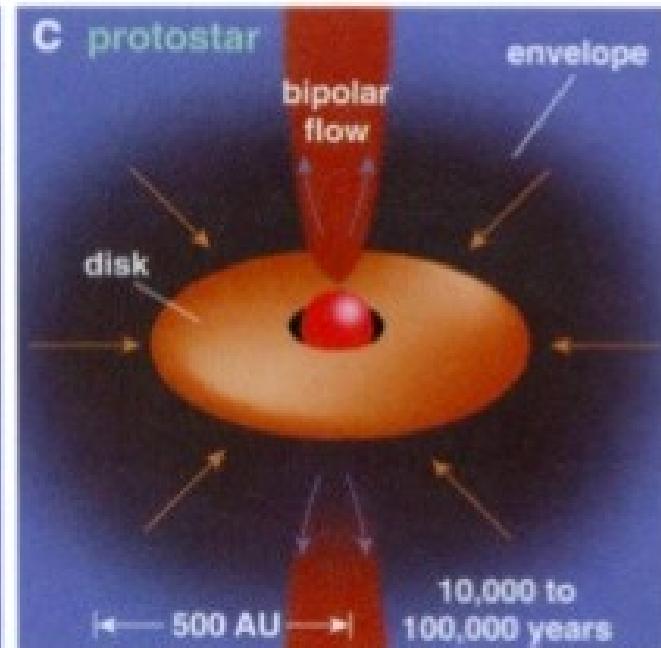
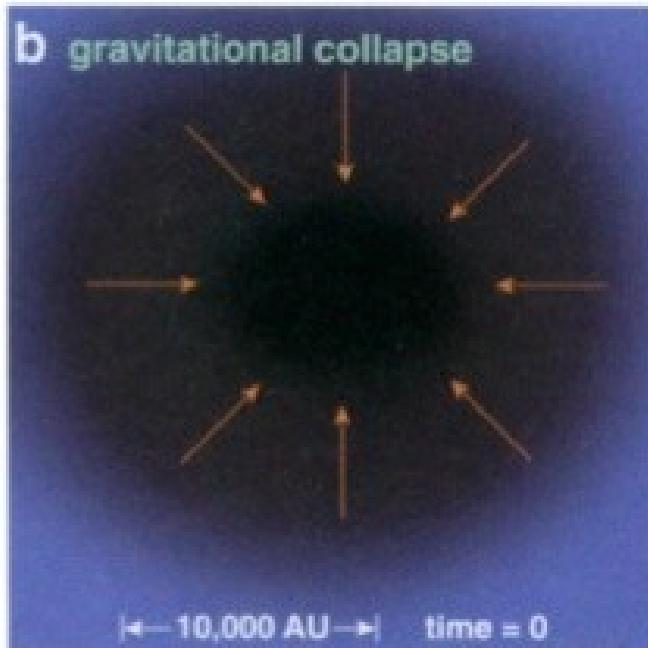
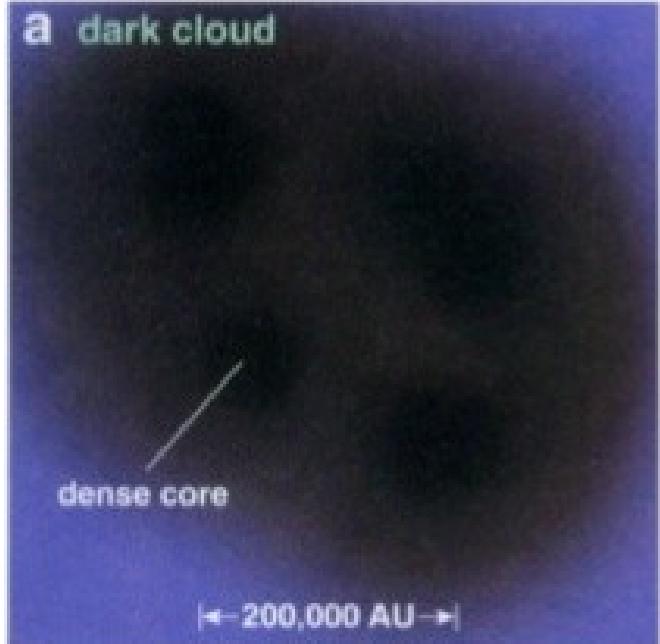
- Where did we come from?
- What else is out there (locally)?

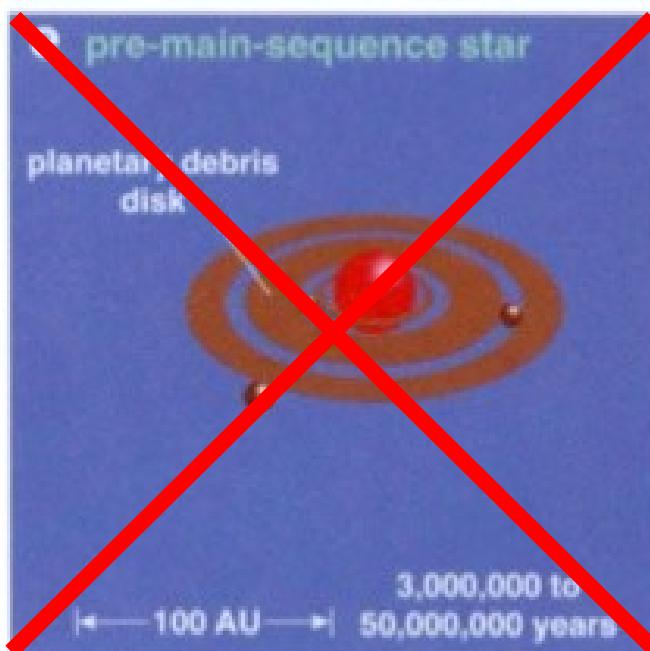
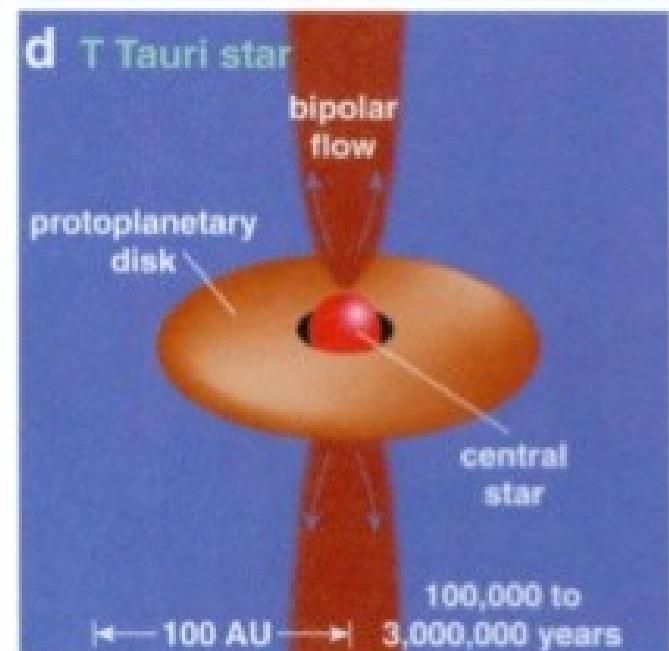
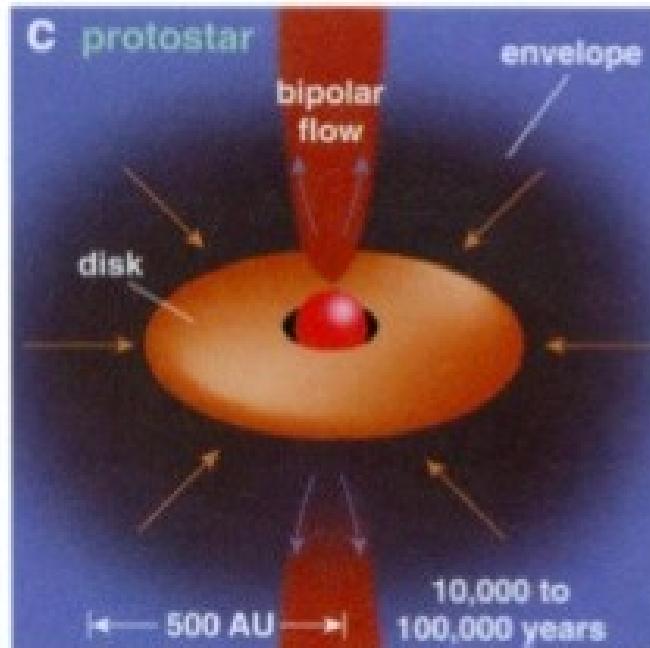
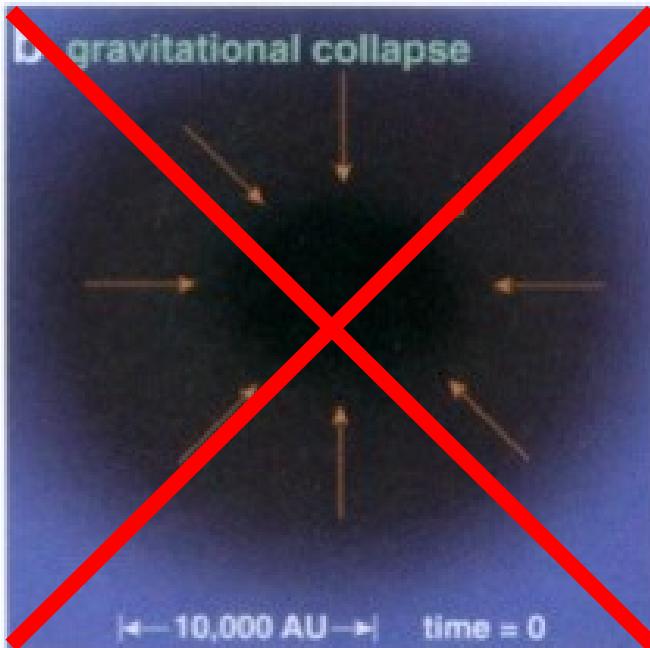
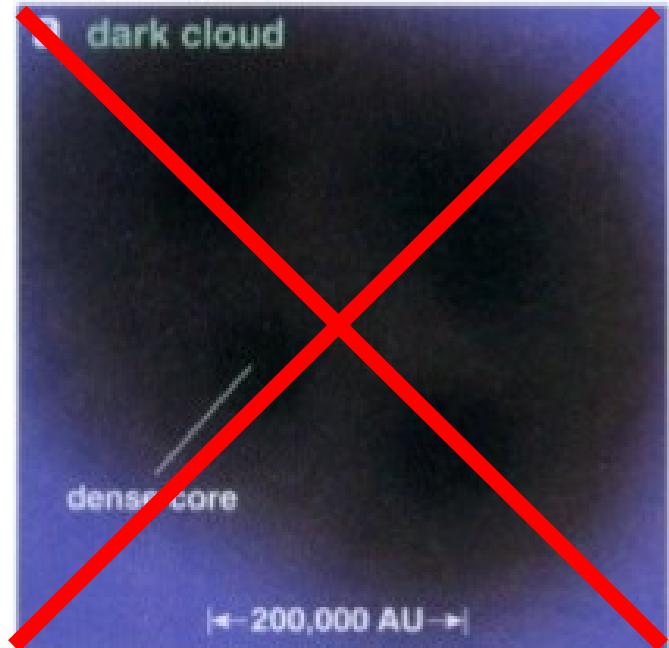


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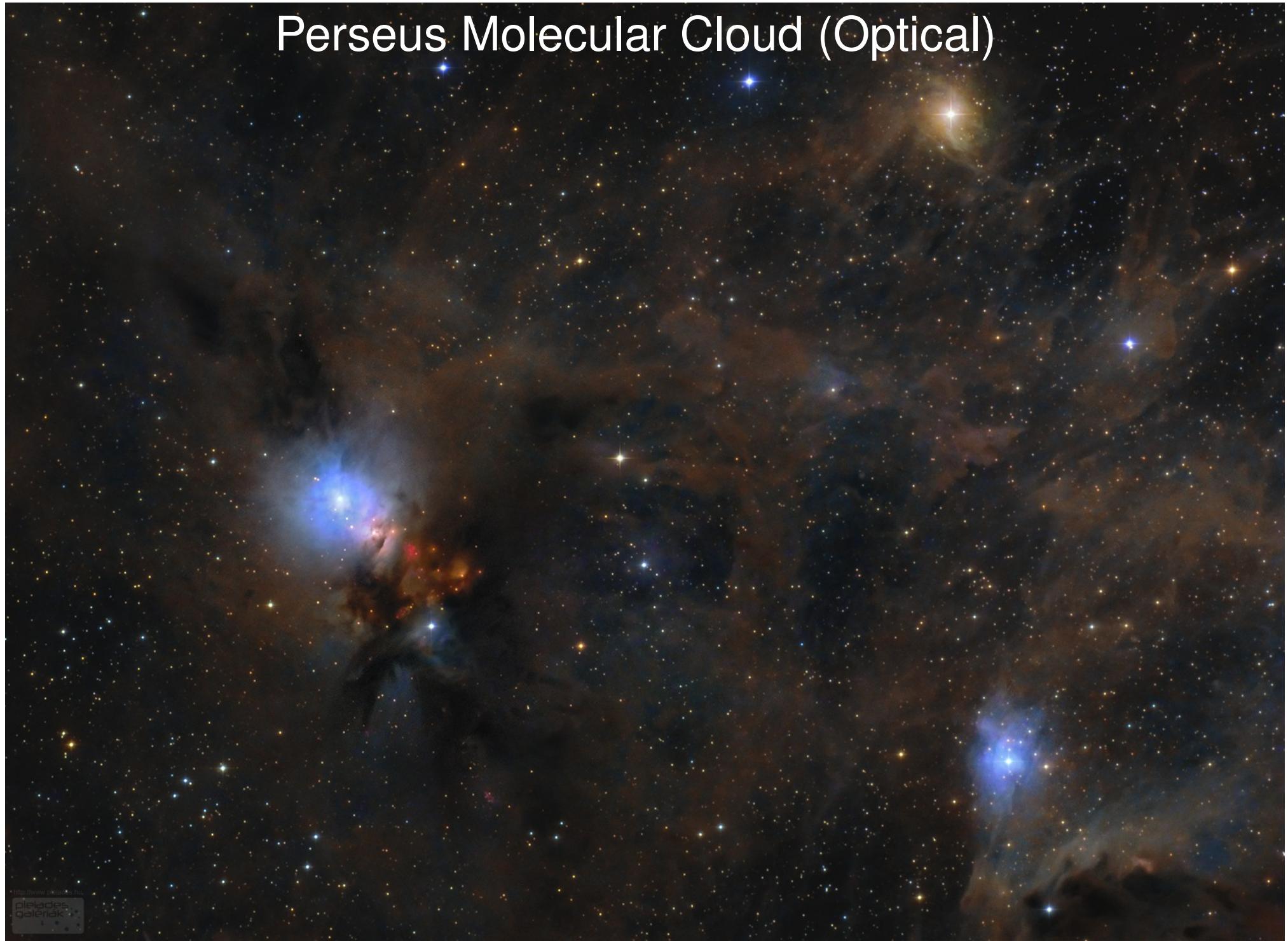




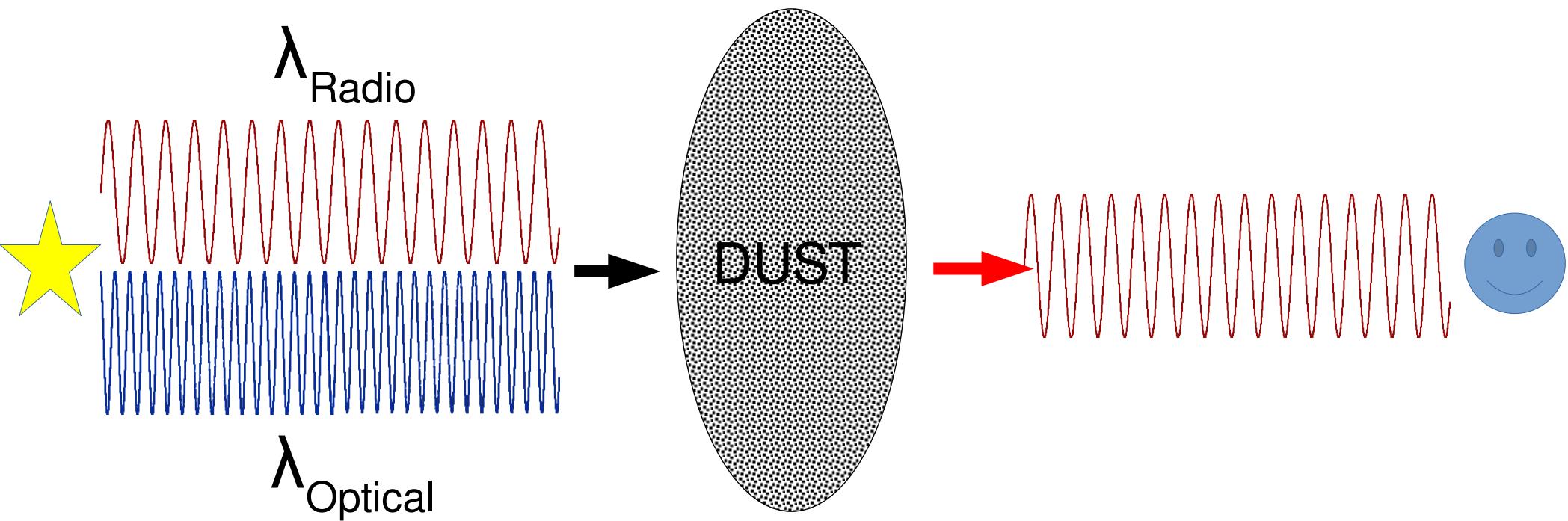




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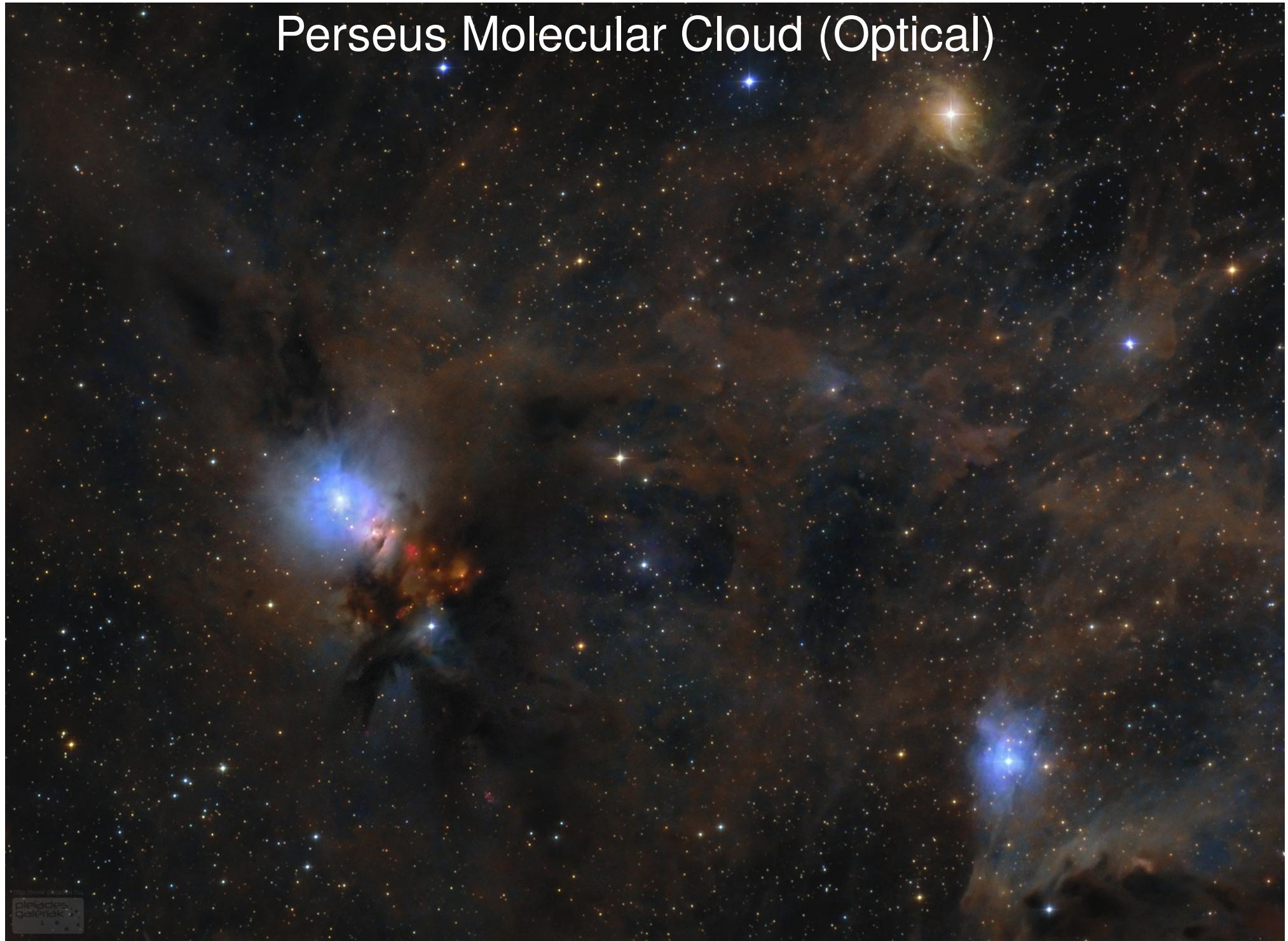


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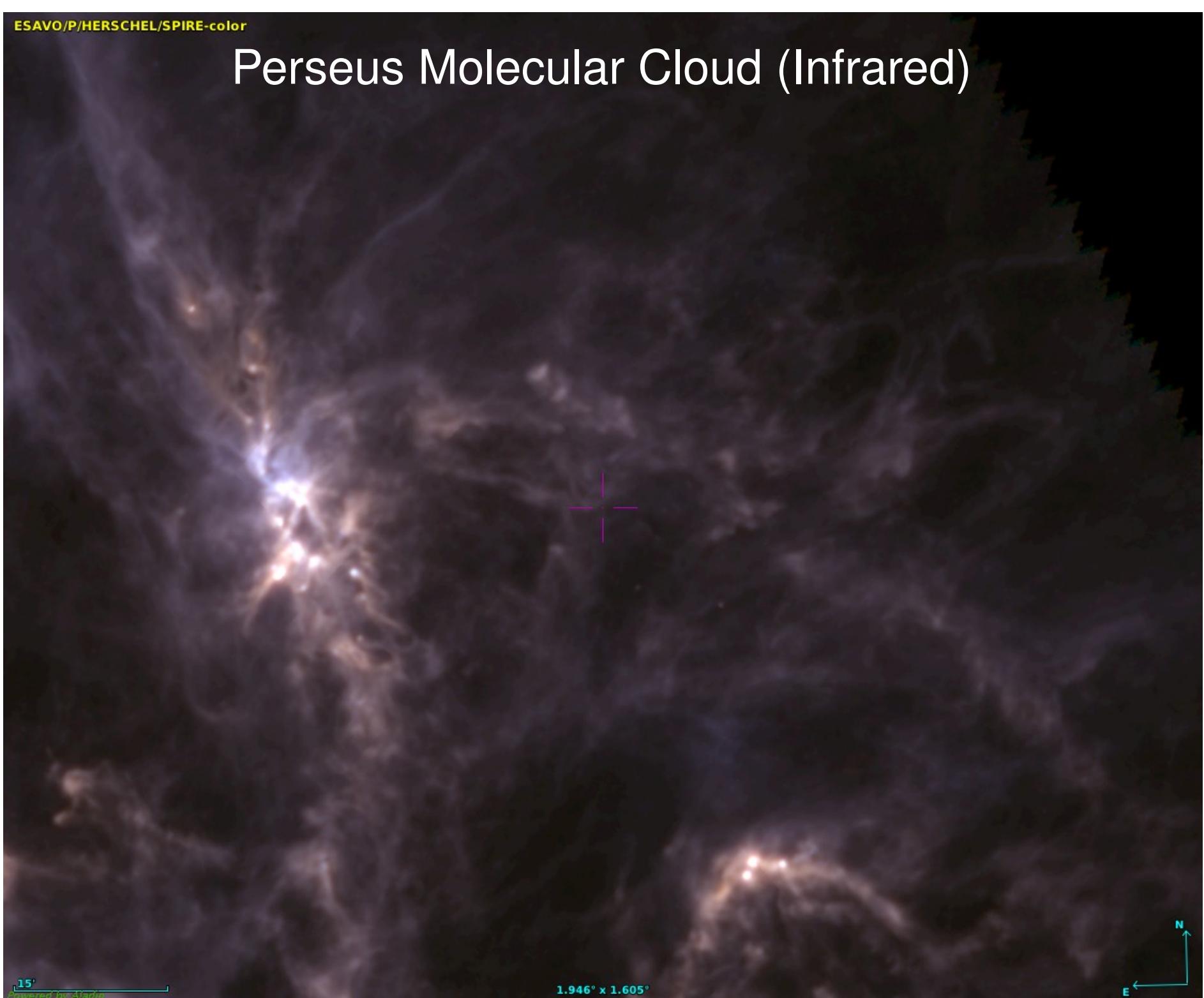
So longer wavelength,  
better we can “see  
through” the cloud

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ESAO/P/HERSCHEL/SPIRE-color

# Perseus Molecular Cloud (Infrared)



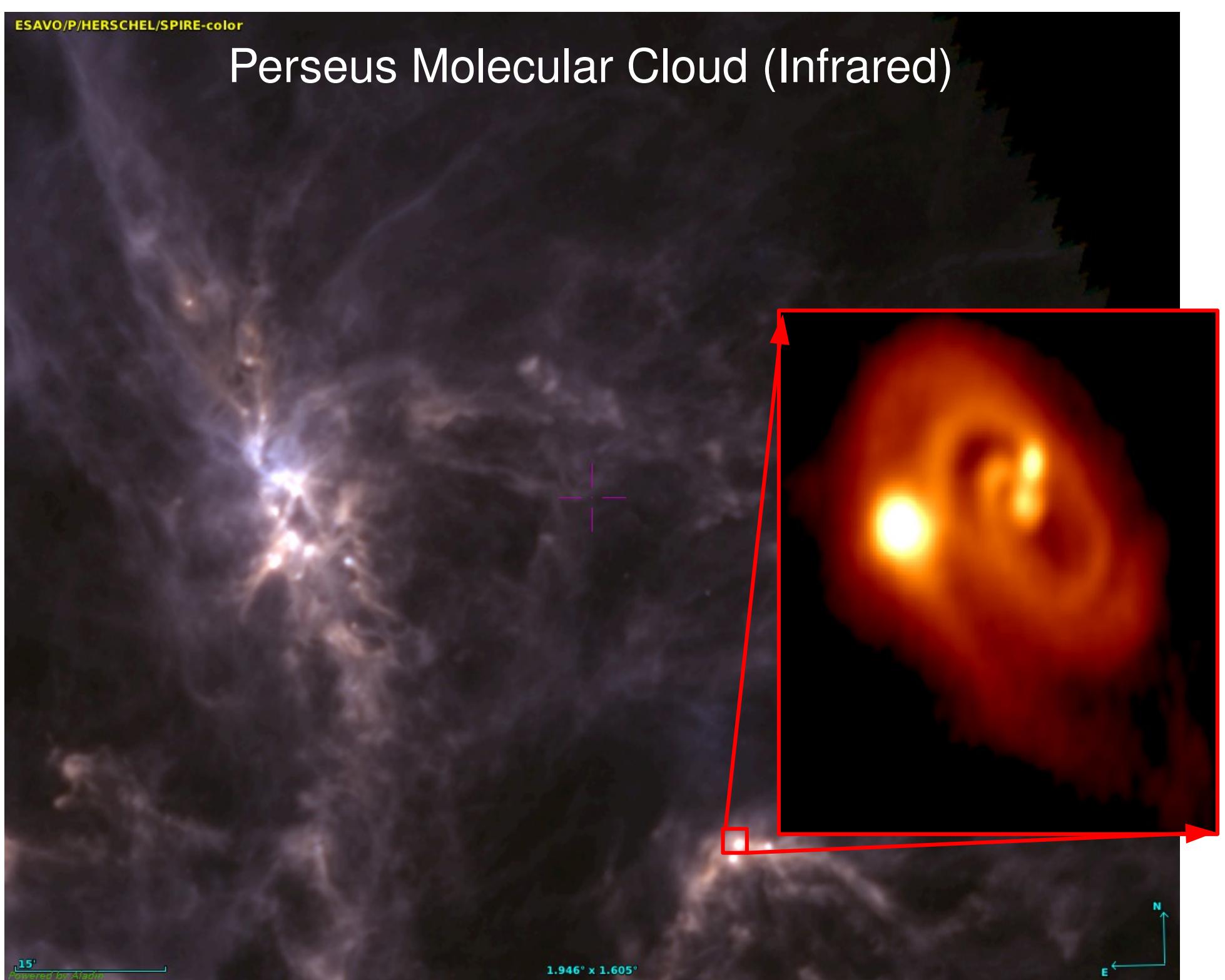
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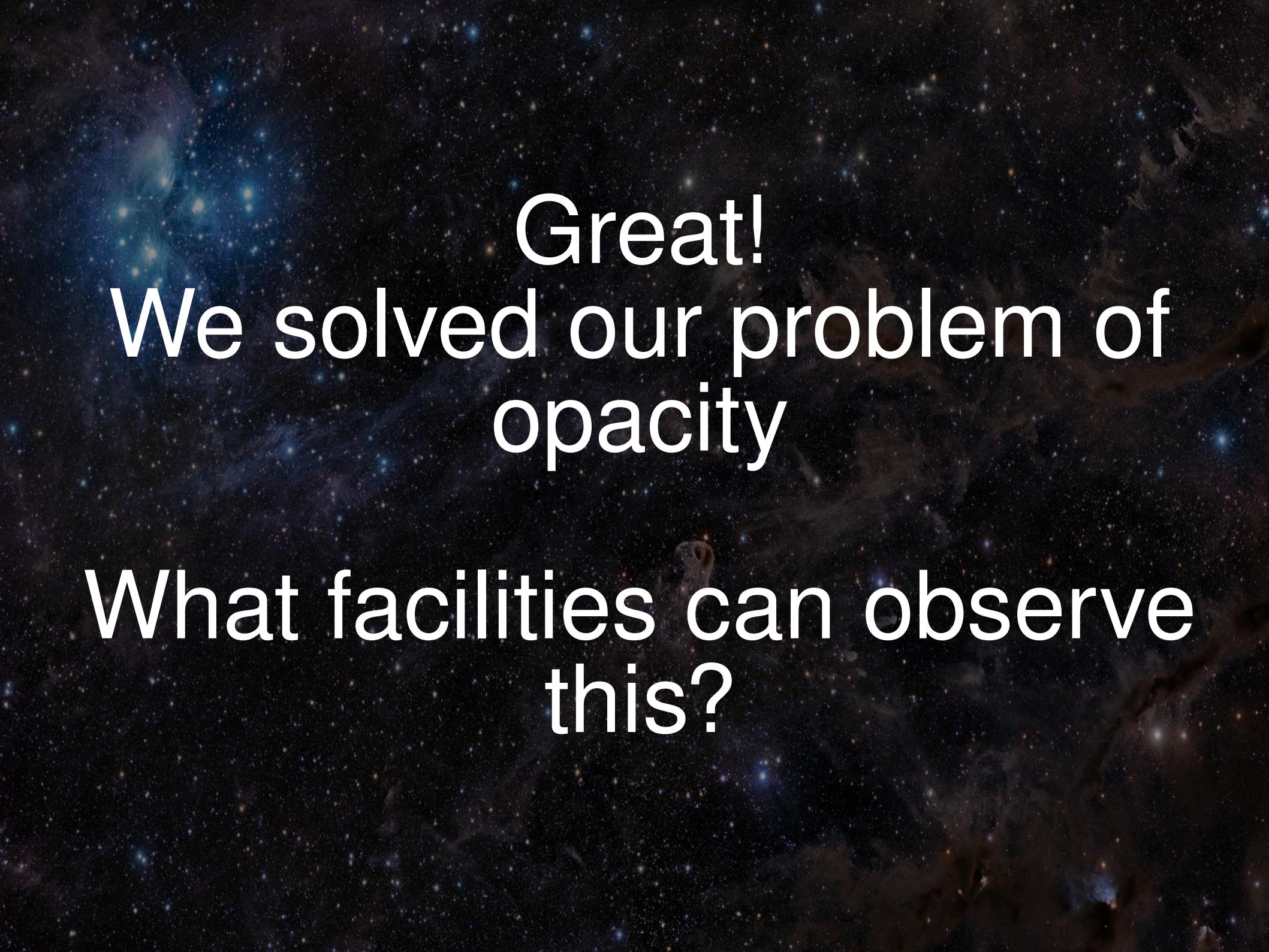
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# Perseus Molecular Cloud (Infrared)





Great!  
We solved our problem of  
opacity

What facilities can observe  
this?

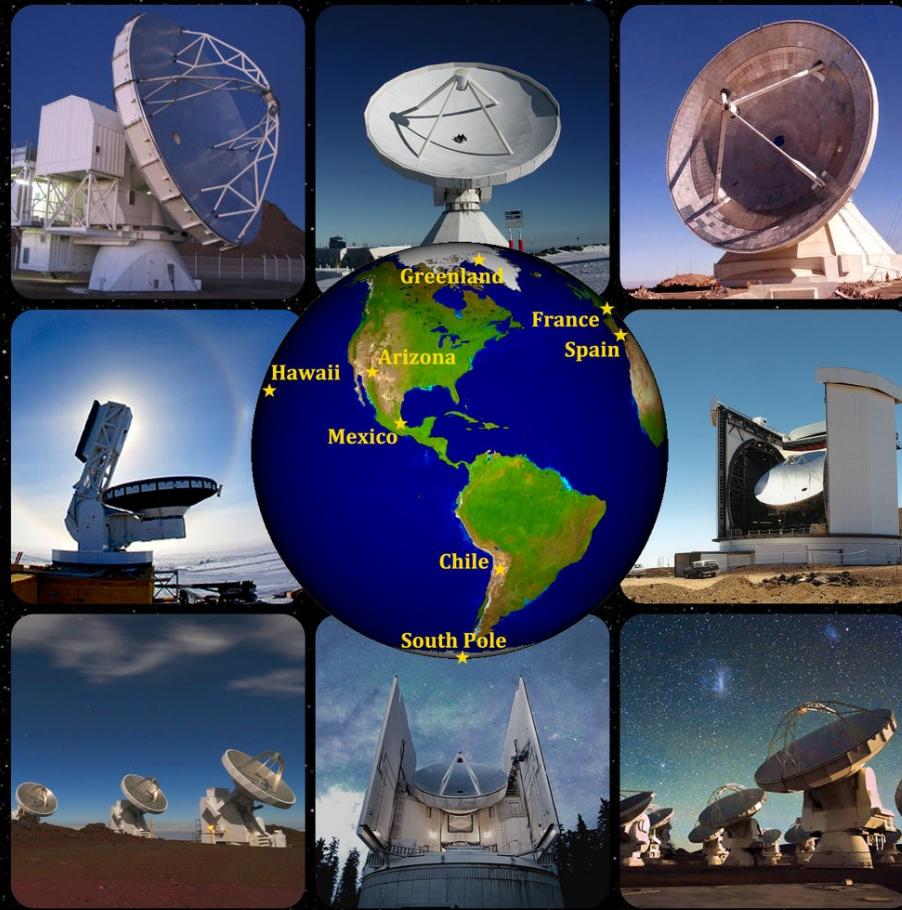
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ALMA (Chile)



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- VLBI (Worldwide, EHT talk from Bouman)

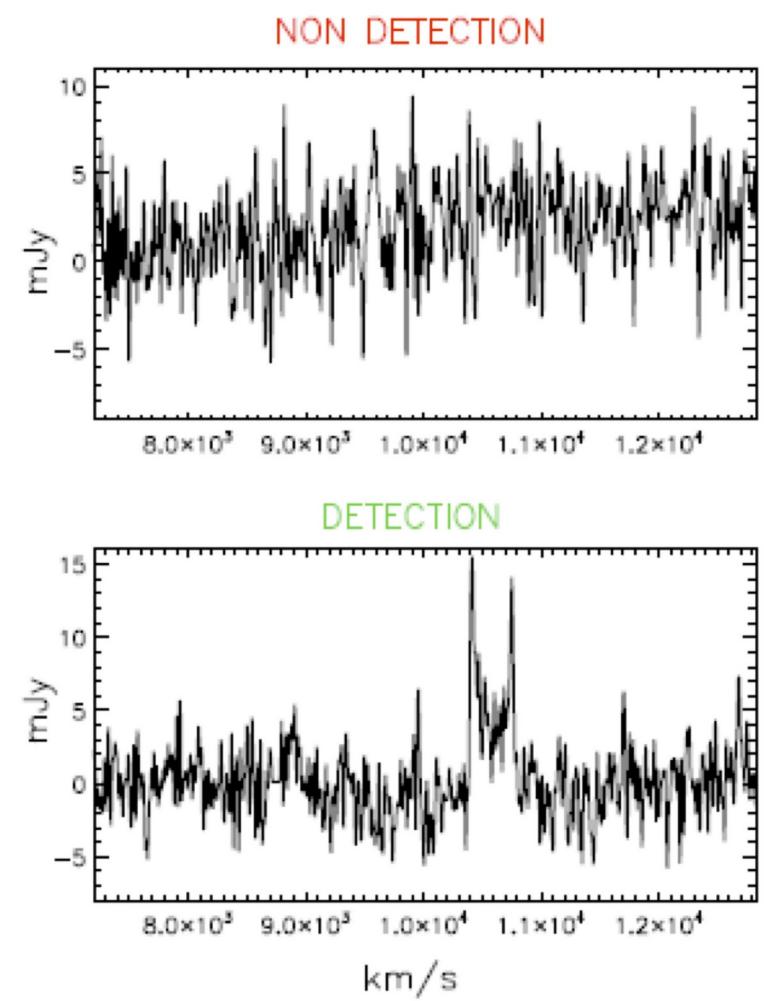
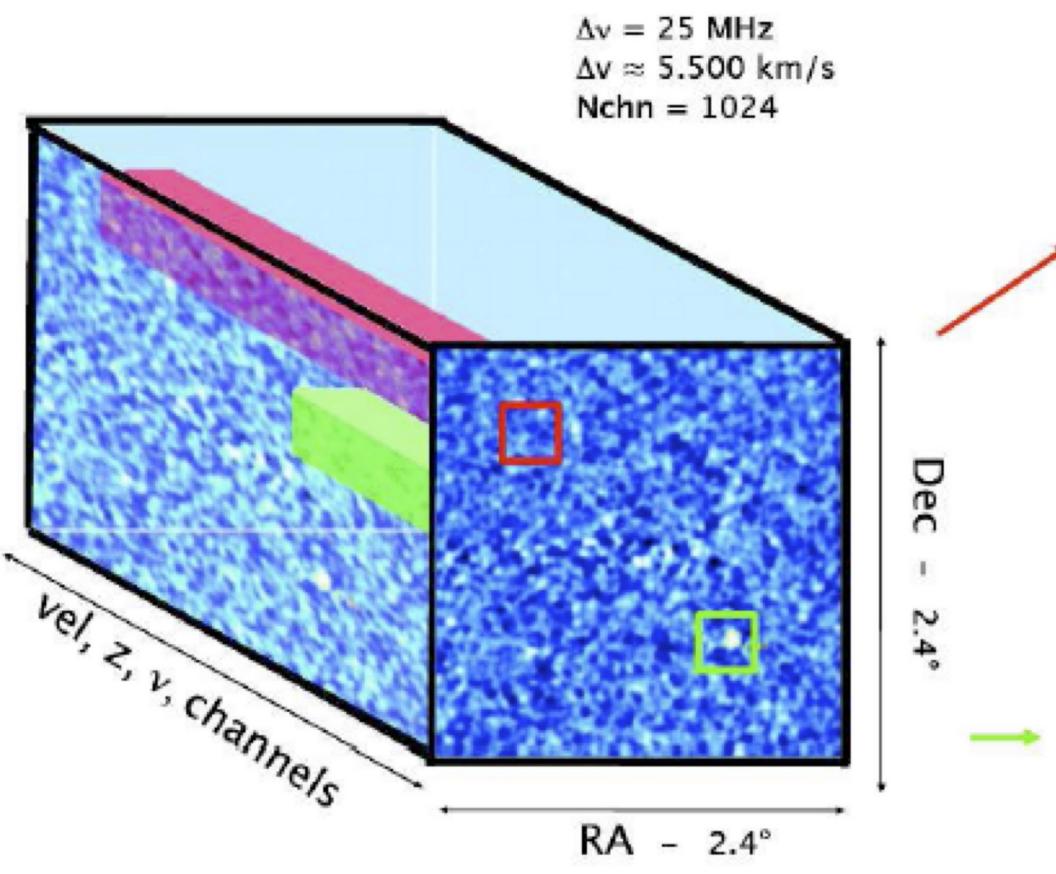


The background of the image is a dark, textured representation of space, filled with numerous small, glowing stars of varying colors (blue, white, yellow) and several larger, more prominent star clusters. In the upper left quadrant, there is a bright, nebulous cluster of stars with a distinct blue tint. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and cosmic.

Let's get data!

# Data Cube

## Photometry & Spectroscopy



# Data Types

## Photometry/ Continuum

Tells us about dust:

- mass of system
- geometry
- high sensitivity
- fine structure

## Spectroscopy

Tells us about gas:

- molecules
- ionized material
- kinematics
- complementary view of dynamics

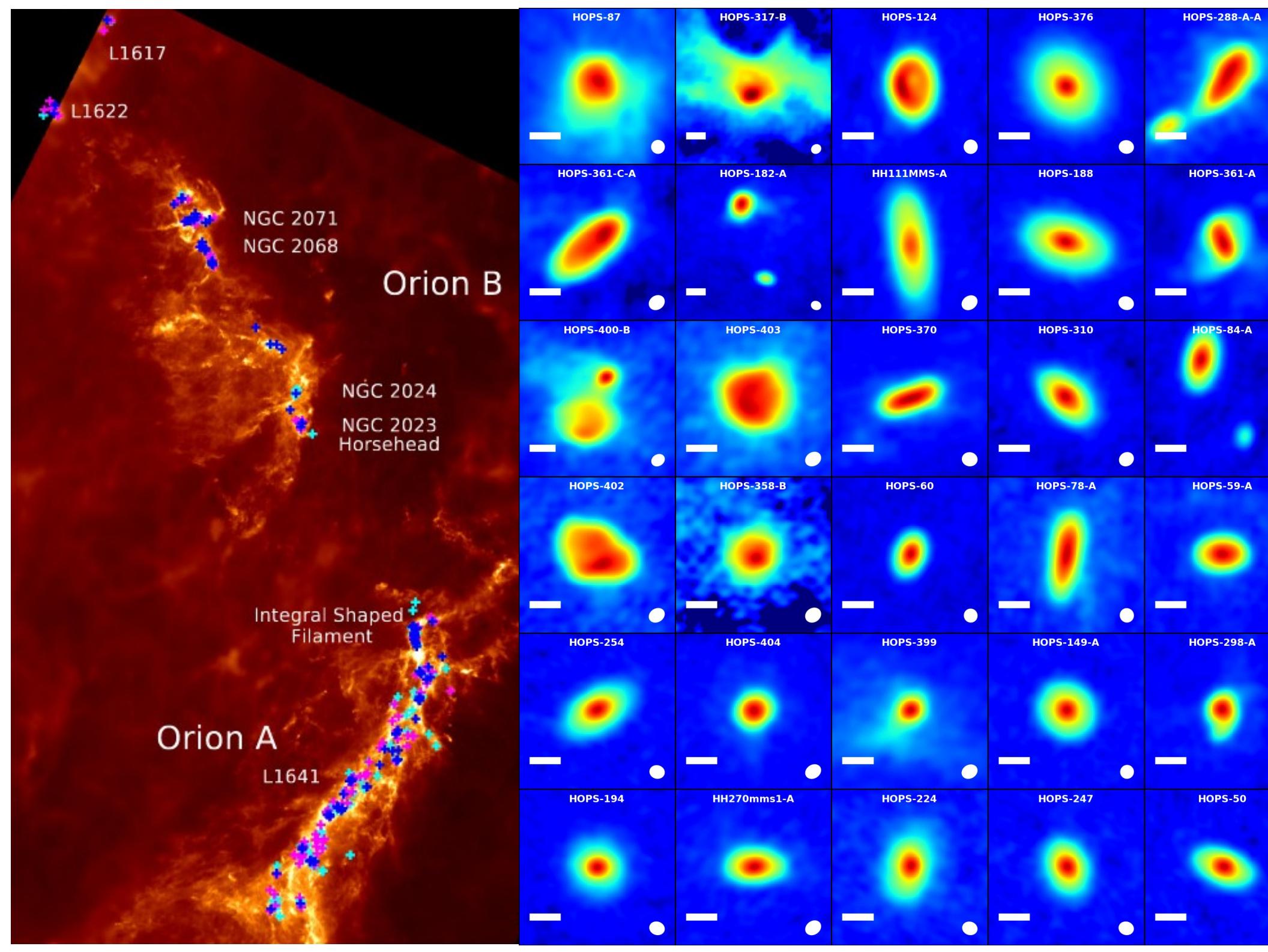
In total, we get 20-40 various parameters that can be used to describe the system.

# Science Summary

- We went from optical to radio
- Can now study properties of these systems individually and in bulk
- We have information about dust and gas
  - Information about structure, kinematics, dynamics, etc

# What do we need and why?

- Our understanding of star and planet formation is incomplete.
- Previous studies of protostellar disks have historically been heavily biased or limited sample sizes
- Until ALMA we lacked the high resolution and high sensitivity for this analysis.
- Need more complete observations for our theory folks.
- We present the first and largest unbiased survey in Orion Molecular Cloud

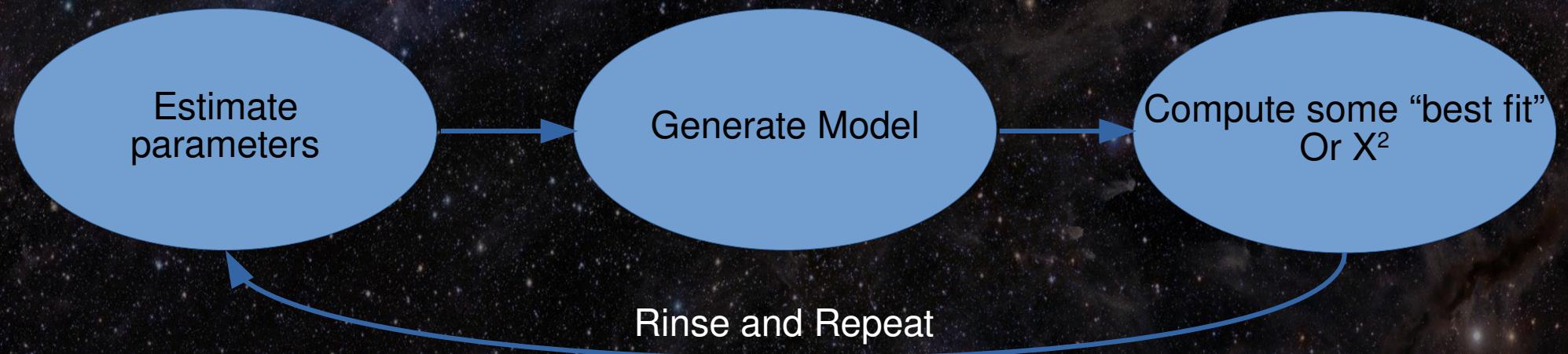


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# Computation

- We now have 20-40 parameters, that are tightly correlated, to fit
- End goal: what are the parameters that “best” describe the system?



- Sounds perfect for parallelization and Bayesian Statistics

# Codes

- RADMC3D (Dullemond 2012)

[www.ita.uni-heidelberg.de/~dullemond/software/radmc-3d/](http://www.ita.uni-heidelberg.de/~dullemond/software/radmc-3d/)

- Galario (Tazzari et al. 2018)

[mtazzari.github.io/galario/](https://mtazzari.github.io/galario/)

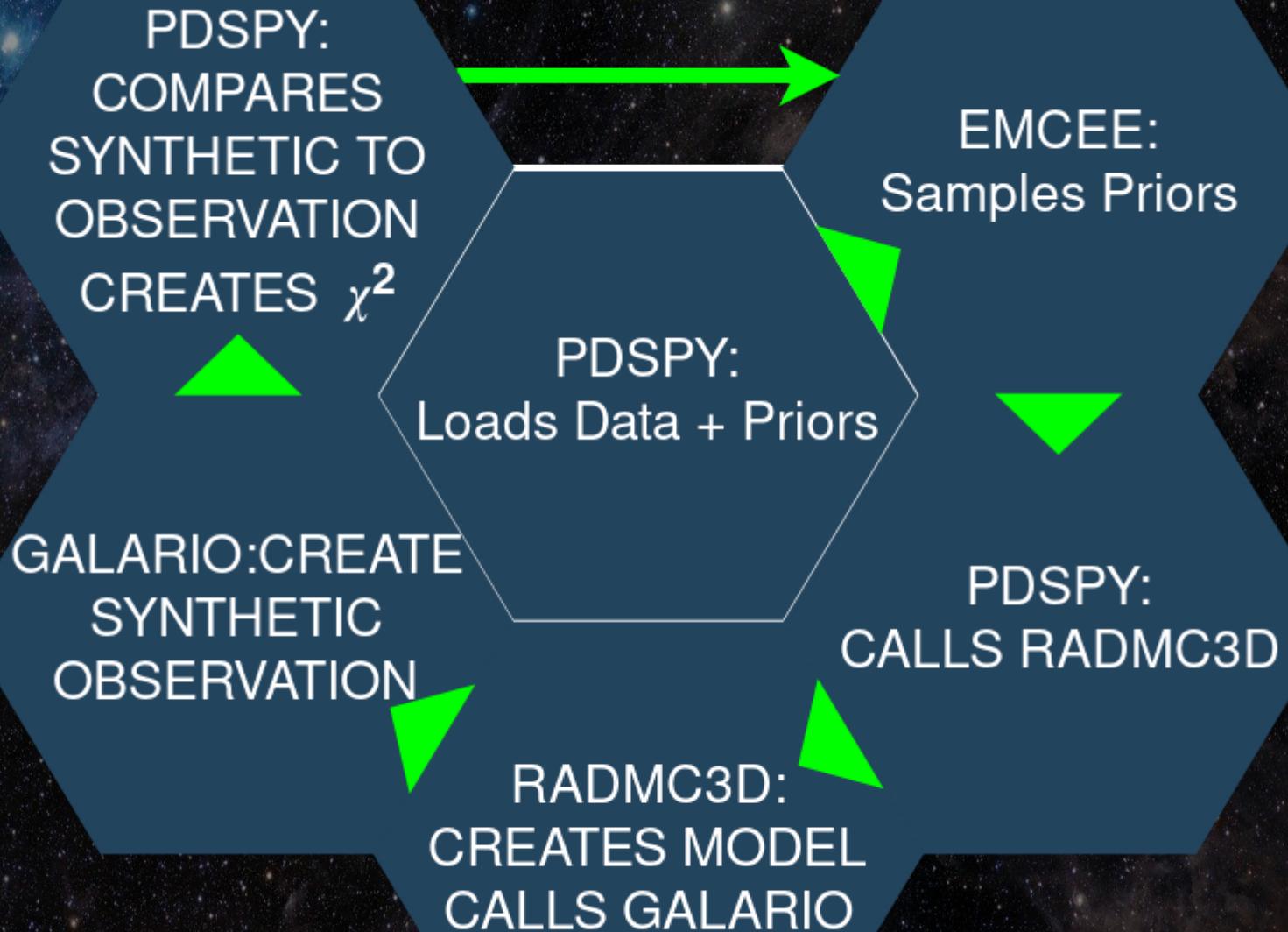
- Emcee (Foreman-Mackey et al. 2012)

<https://github.com/dfm/emcee>

- PDSPY (Sheehan et al. 2019)

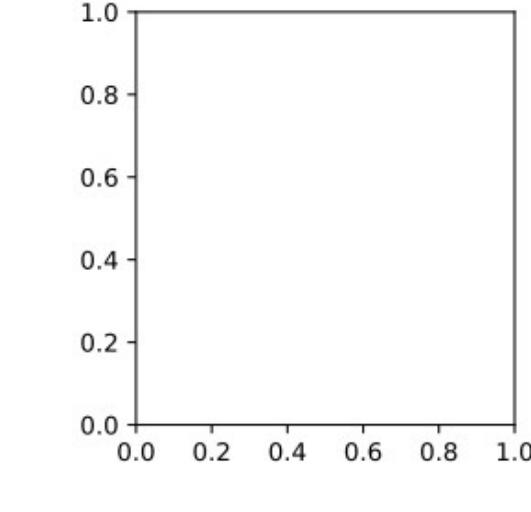
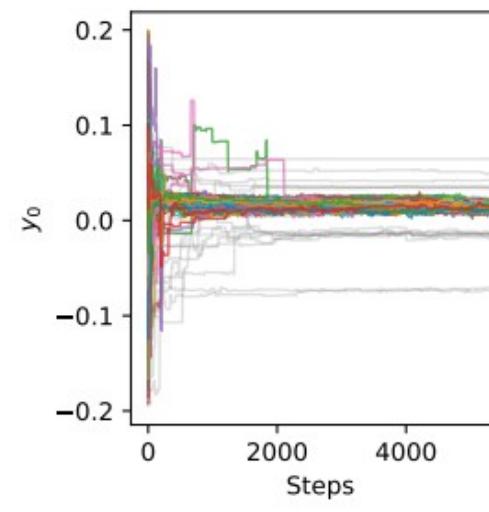
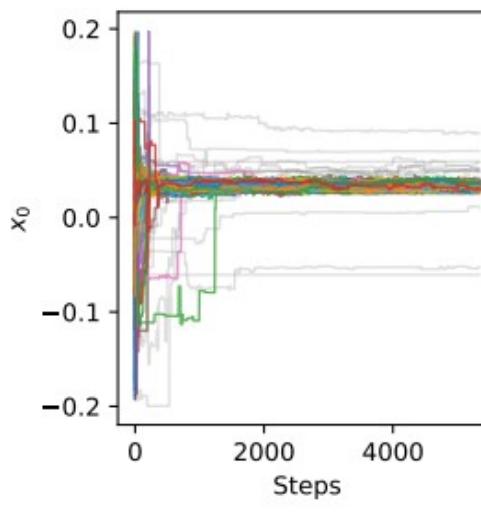
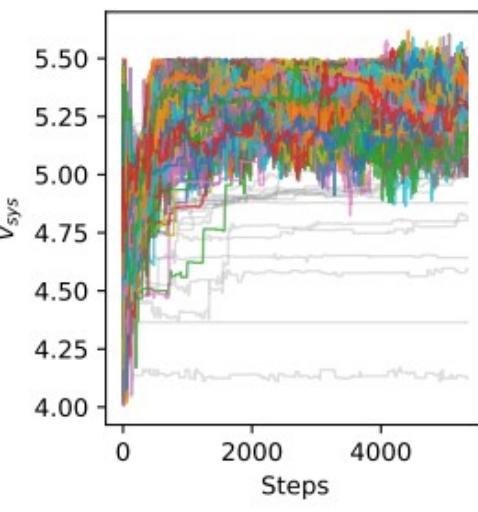
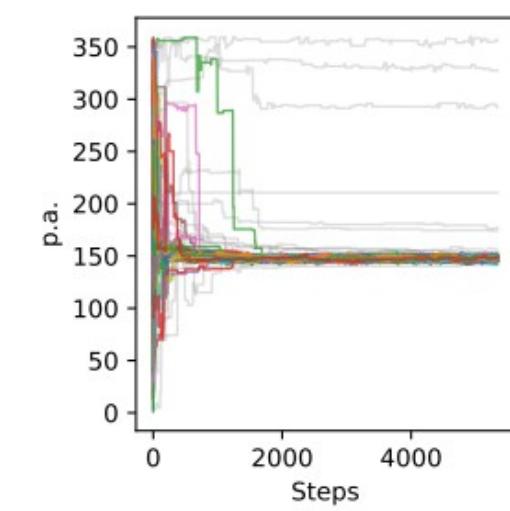
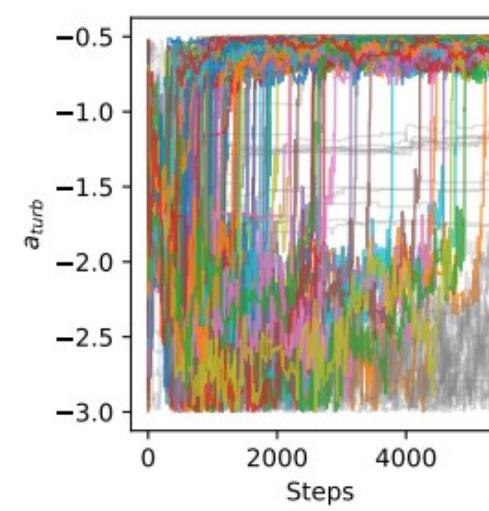
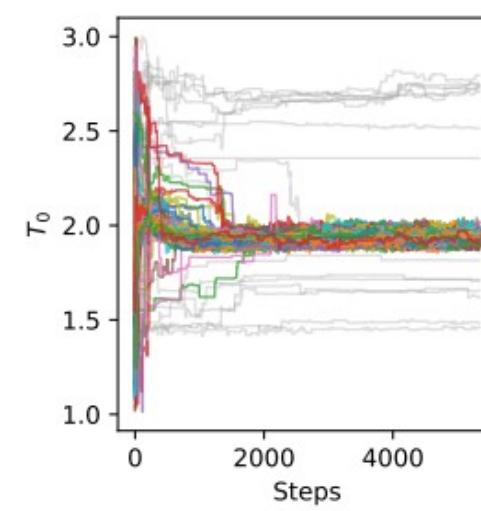
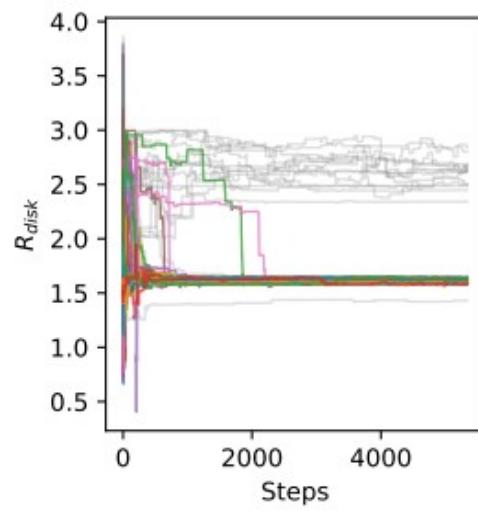
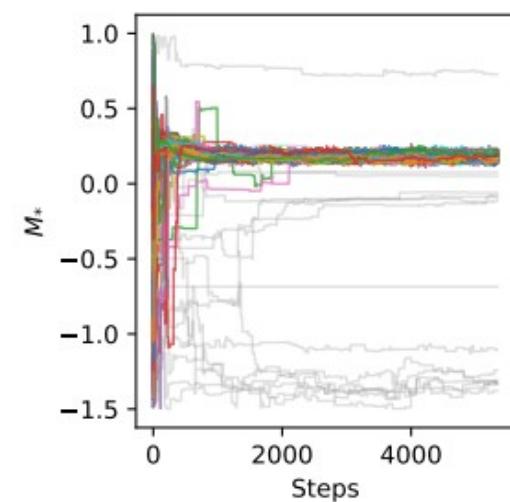
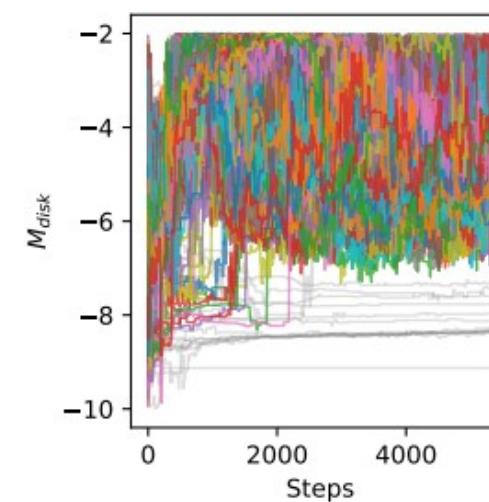
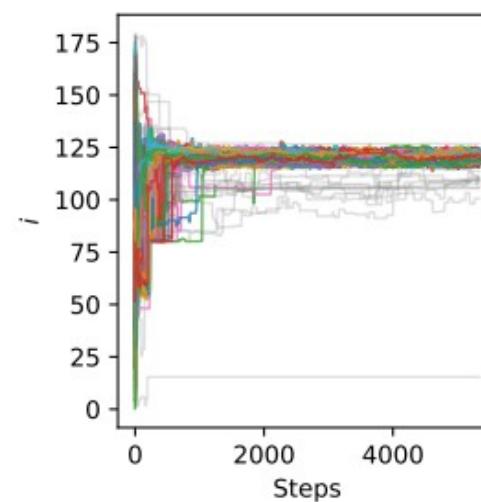
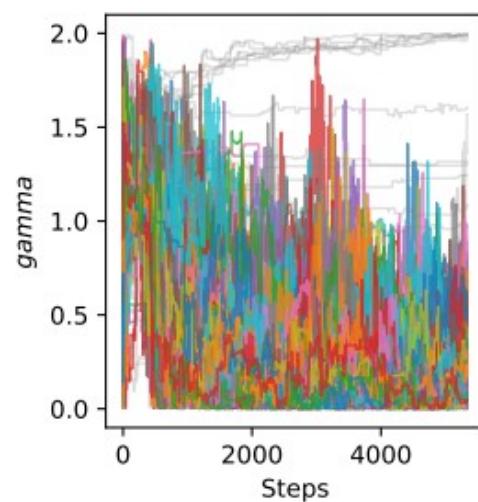
[github.com/psheehan/pdspY](https://github.com/psheehan/pdspY)

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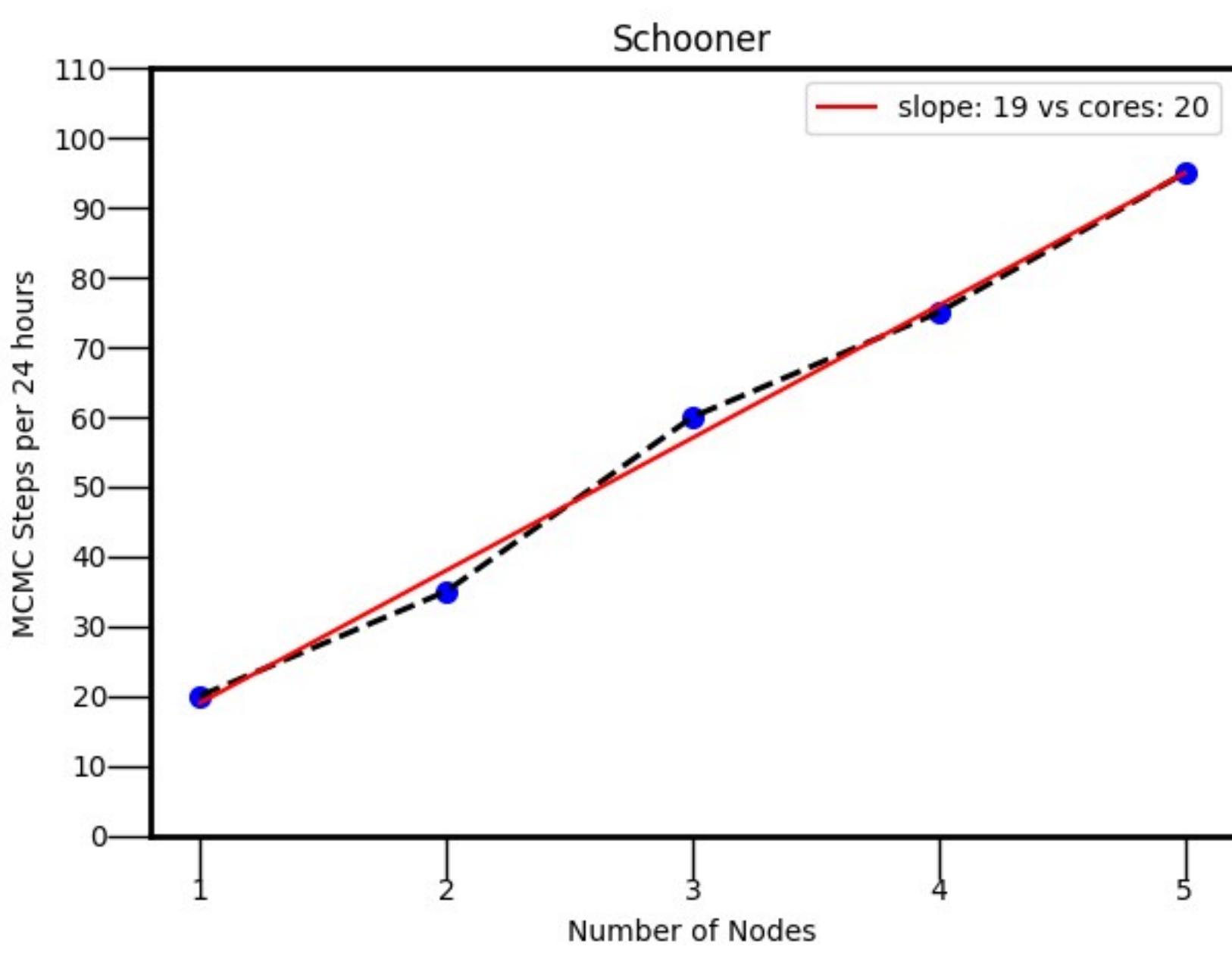
# Computing Specifics

- Our personal systems: 2 x 28 physical core CPUs
- That 60k hours is now ~ 1200 hours per source

# Schooner

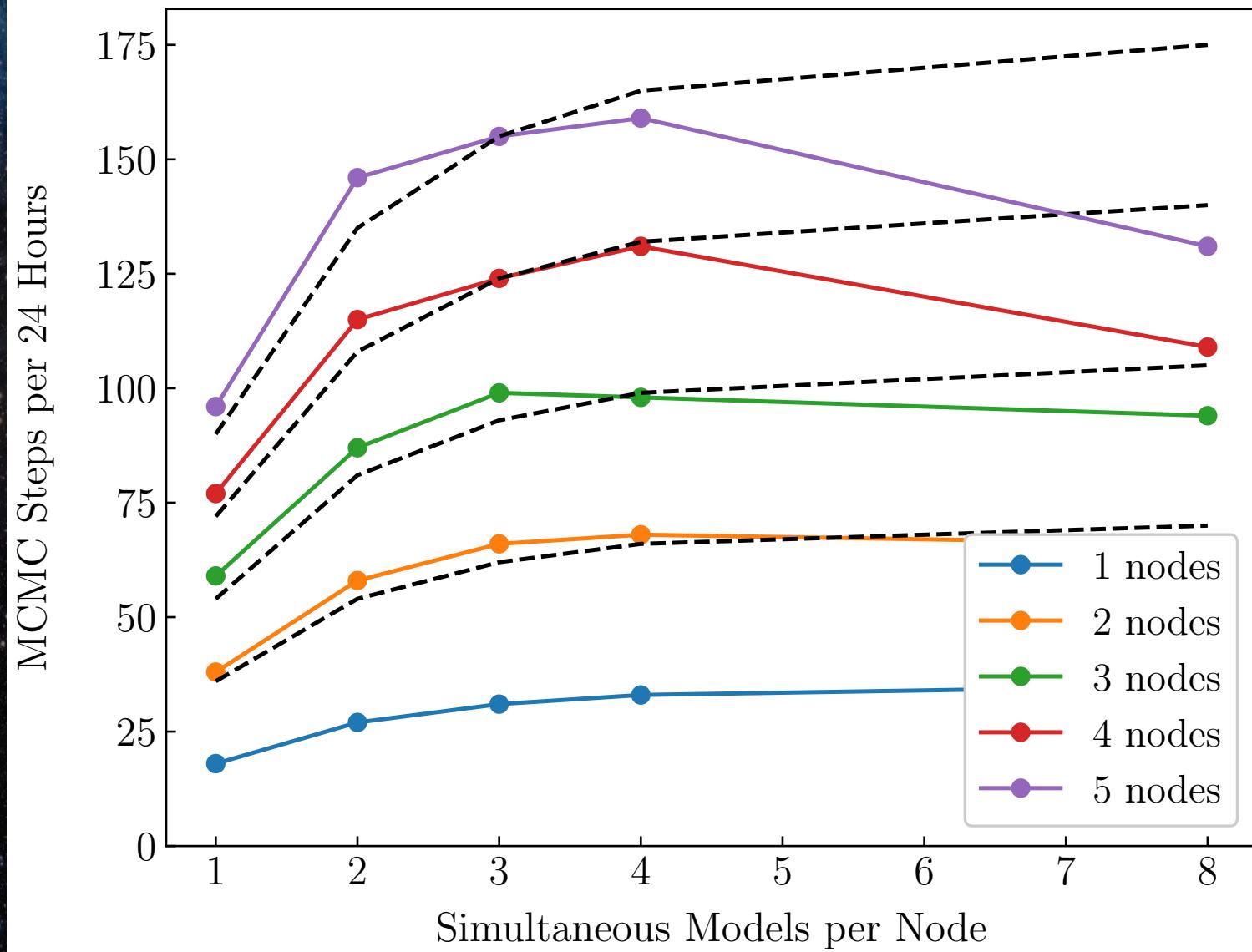
- The supercomputer drastically changes the game for us
- Typical requests:
  - 5-15 nodes (100 – 300 cores)
  - About 2 weeks

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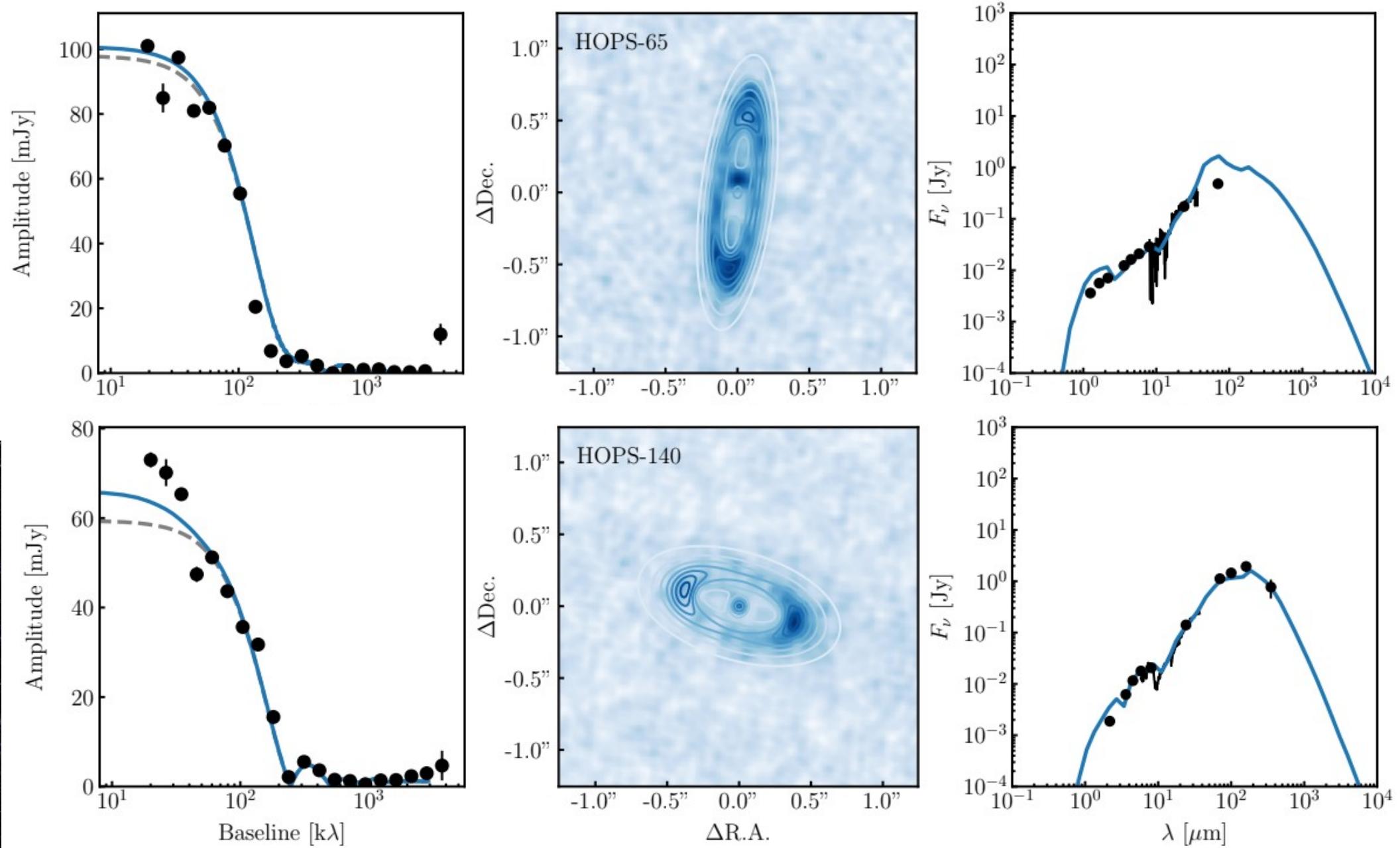
Comet



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# What do we get?



# Other Facilities

- Hundreds of sources and each one can be modelled multiple times
- Using OSCER we fit about a dozen sources with high success (1 paper accepted, several submitted/in prep).
- Used OSCER to test the limits of the code and optimize it further
- Proposed to XSEDE bridges and comet (7 million CPU-hours)
  - Proposal was based and accepted due to the models run on OSCER!

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# What are we answering?

- How/when/where do planets form?
- What does a typical protostellar system look like?
- In answering these statistically, we can also ask, are we unique?

# Impacts

We want to do this in a statistically robust and relatively unbiased way

- This motivated the need for our pristine survey and the need for our computation time on OSCER and XSEDE
- The group at OU is one of the forerunners in this field and are a part of global collaborations
- 3 proposals accepted (ALMA + XSEDE)
- 2 papers accepted (Sheehan et al. 2019 a, b)
- 1 paper submitted (Tobin et al. 2019, sub)
- 4 papers in prep (Sheehan et al., Reynolds et al. a,b, Sharma et al.)

# Summary

- Stars and planets form within dense cores in molecular clouds as protostellar systems
- We have the largest, high resolution survey of these protostars within nearby clouds (Orion, Perseus)
- Modeling these protostars to characterize their conditions to understand their formation pathways
- Used OSCER fit results to propose for XSEDE computing time
- Hopefully answer some of our starting questions

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- OSCER support: Henry, Horst, the entire OSCER support staff
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If you are interested in astronomy/have  
some free time tonight;

Free Star Party!

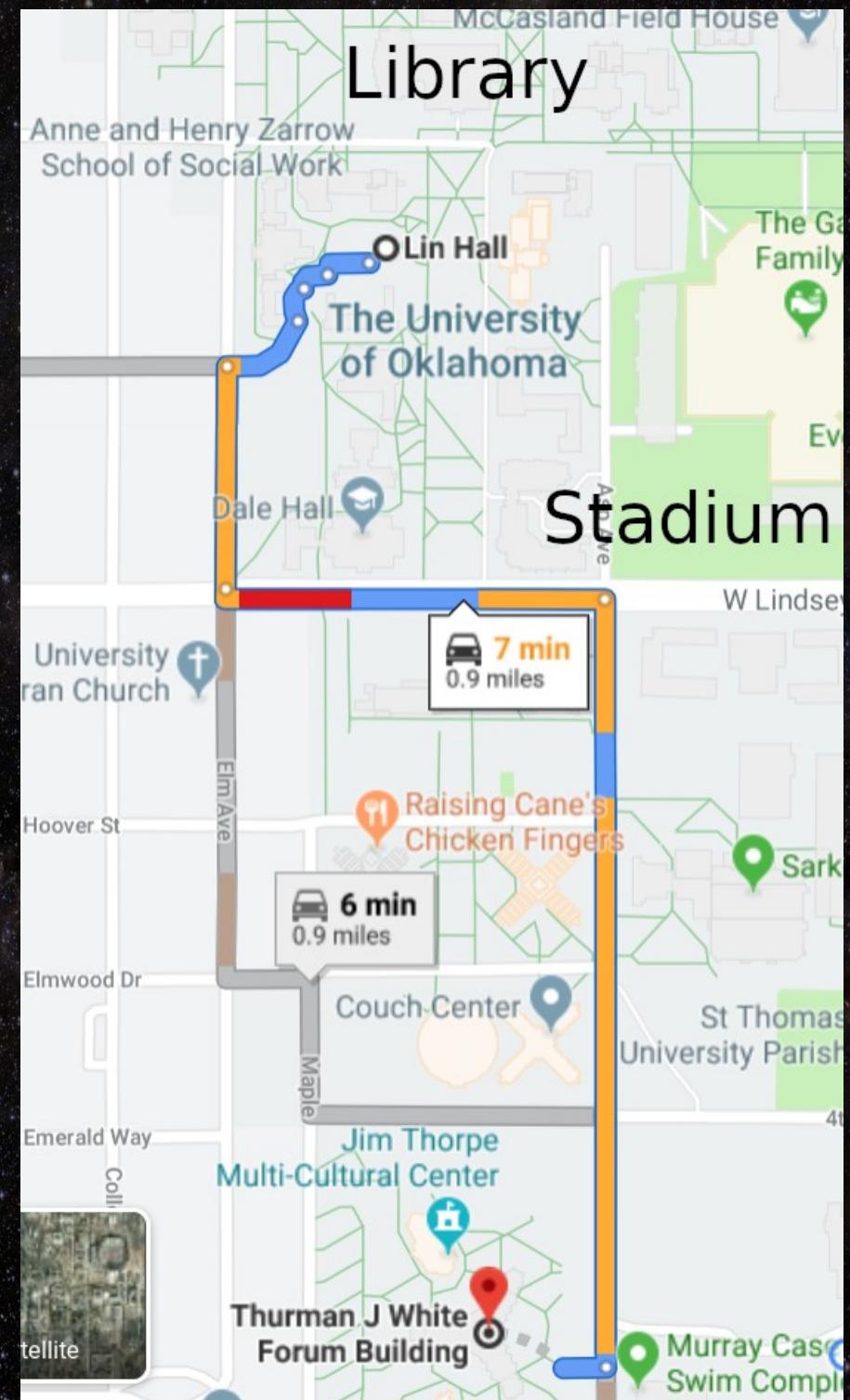
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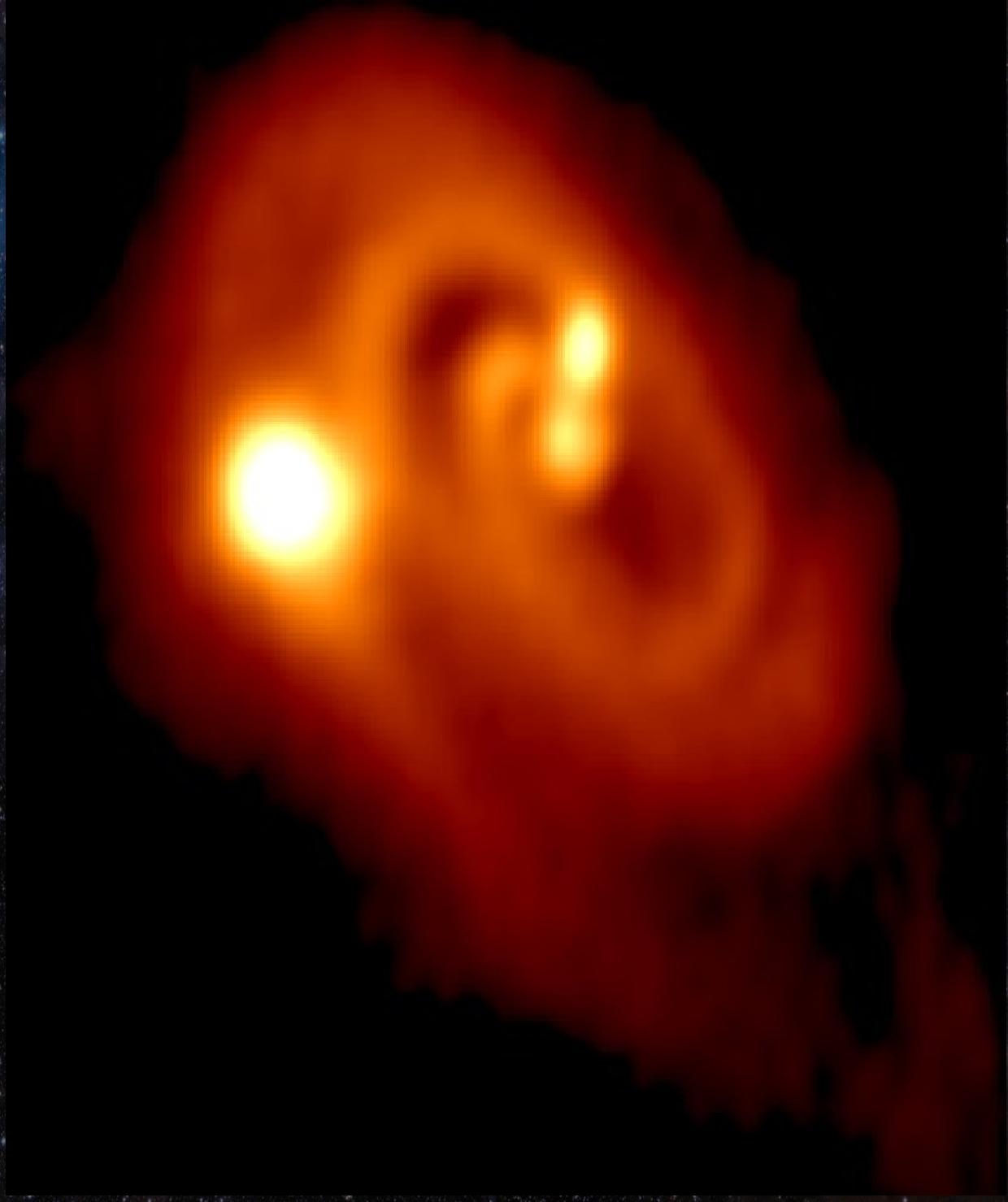
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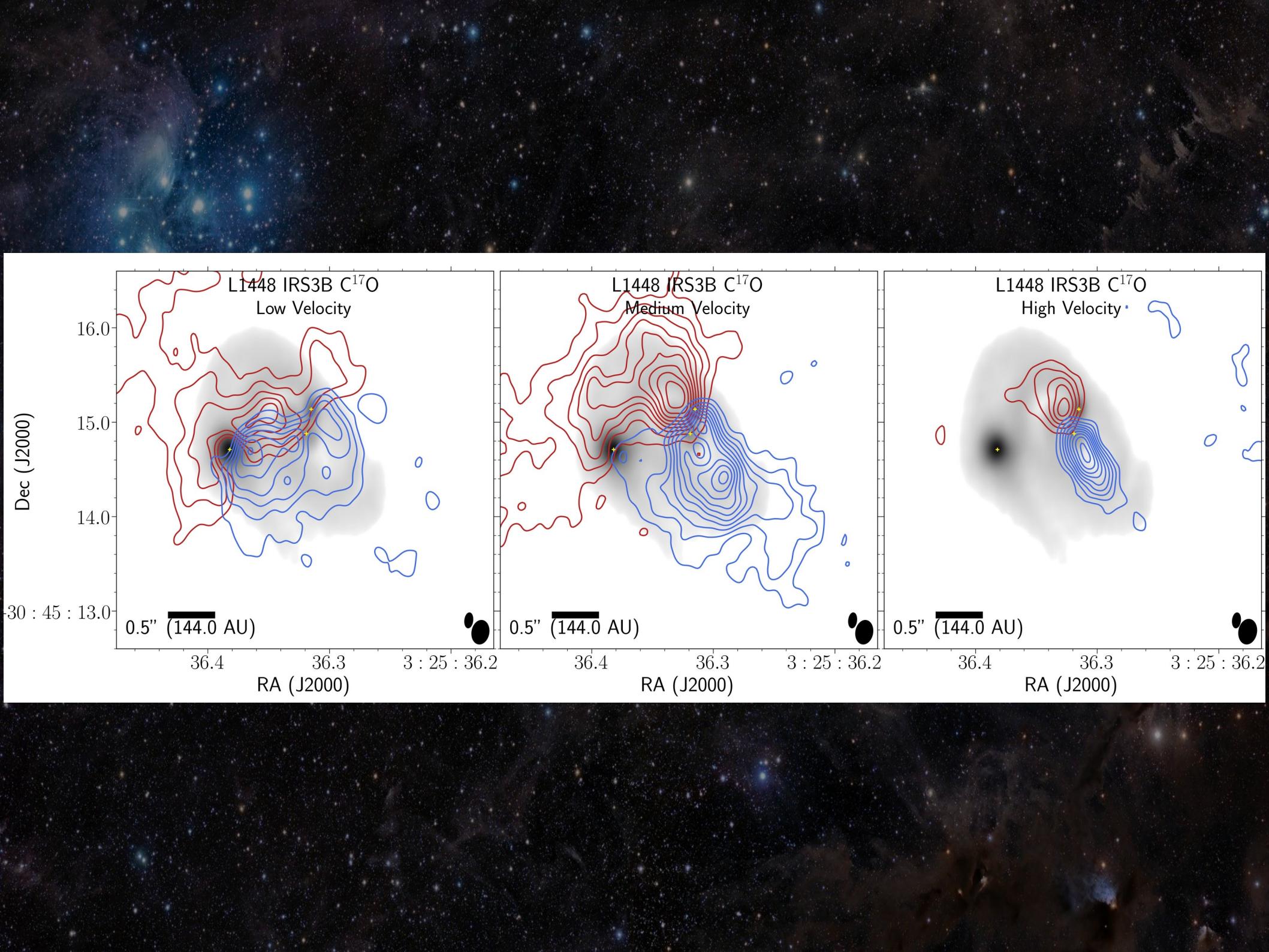
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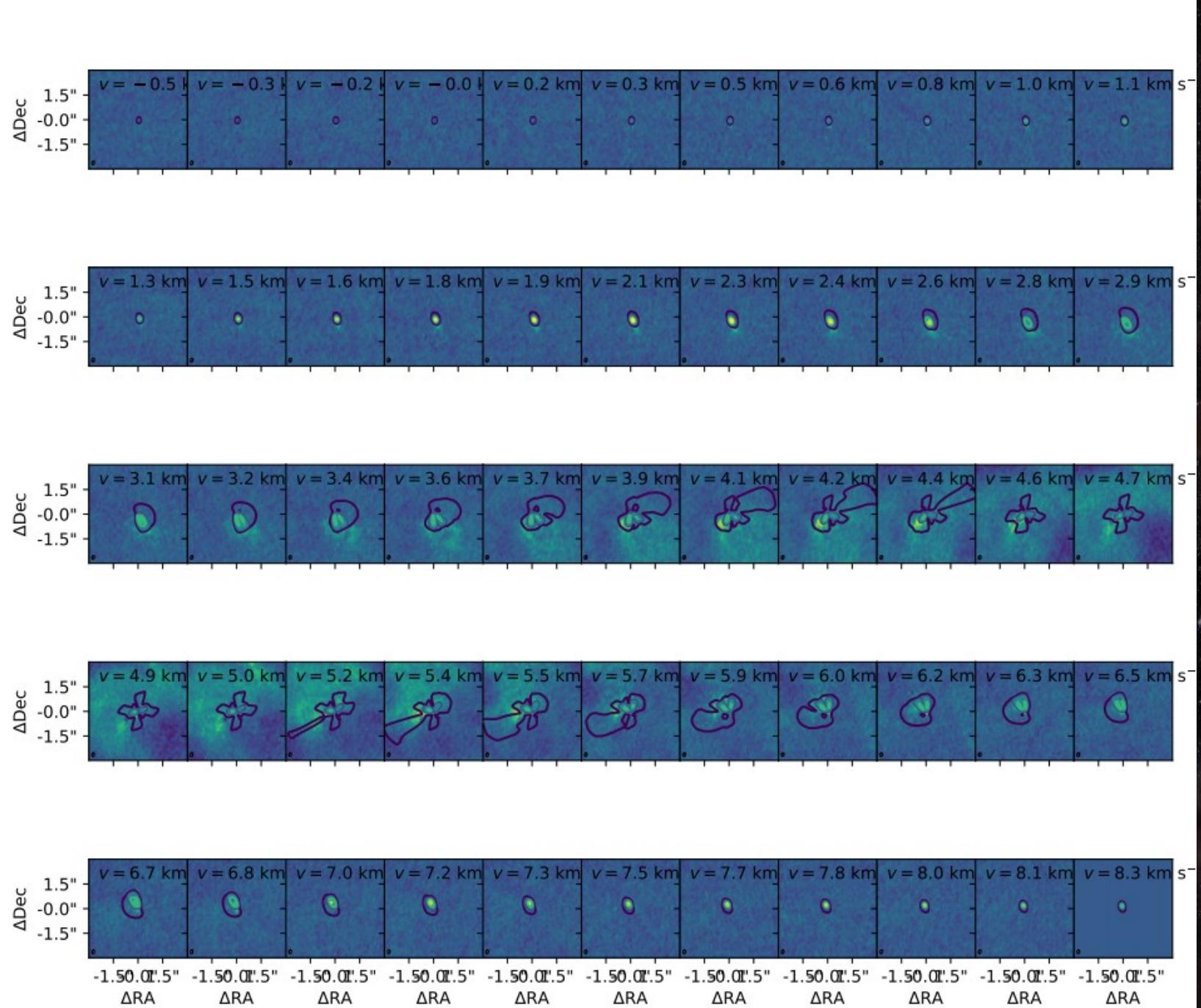
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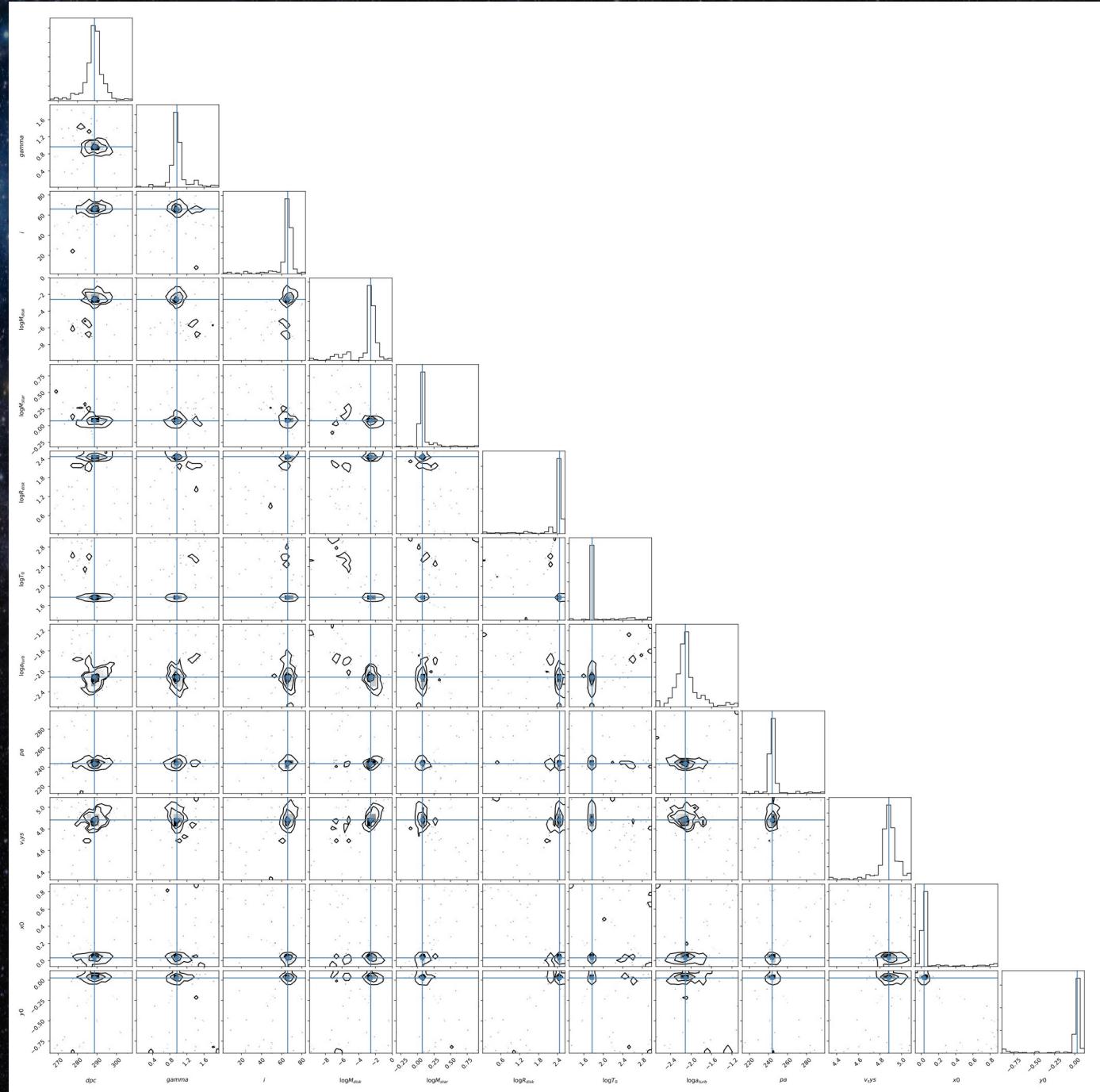


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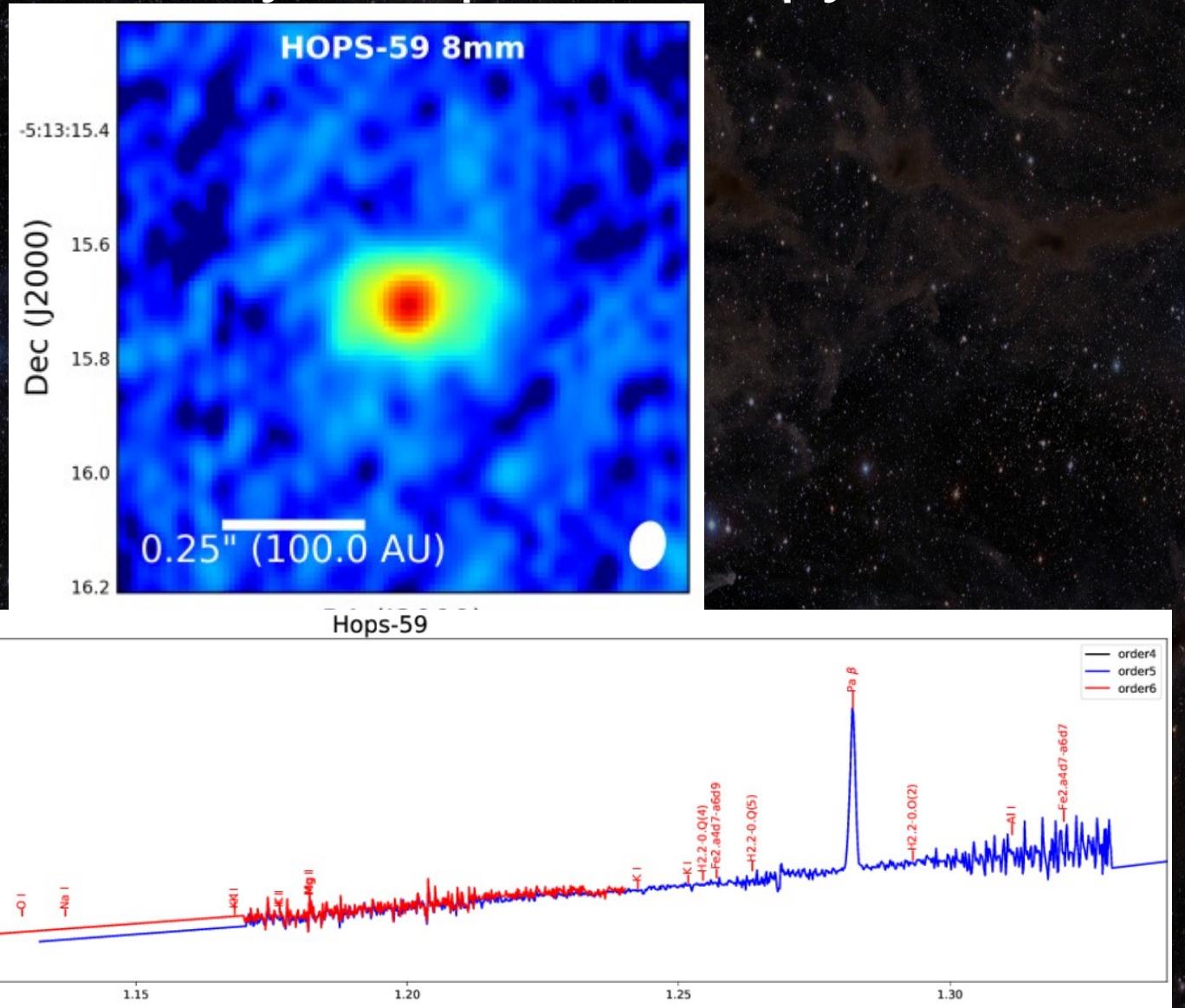
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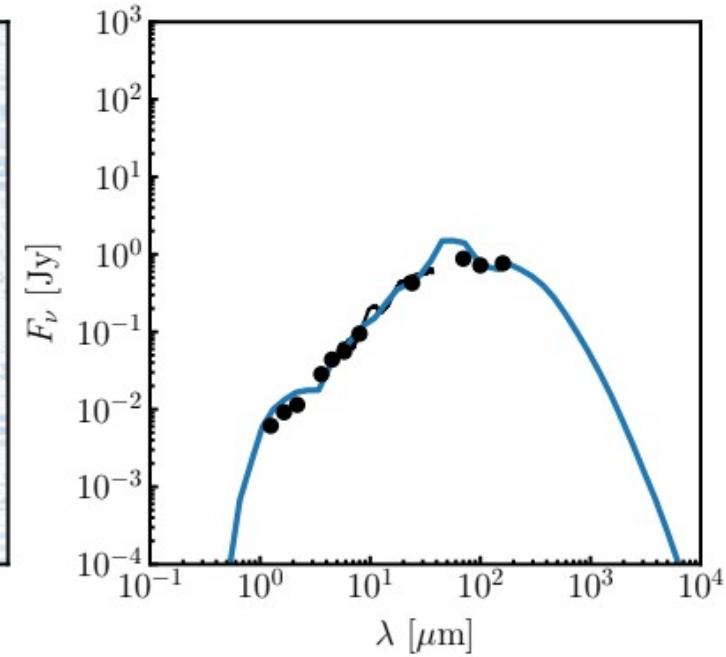
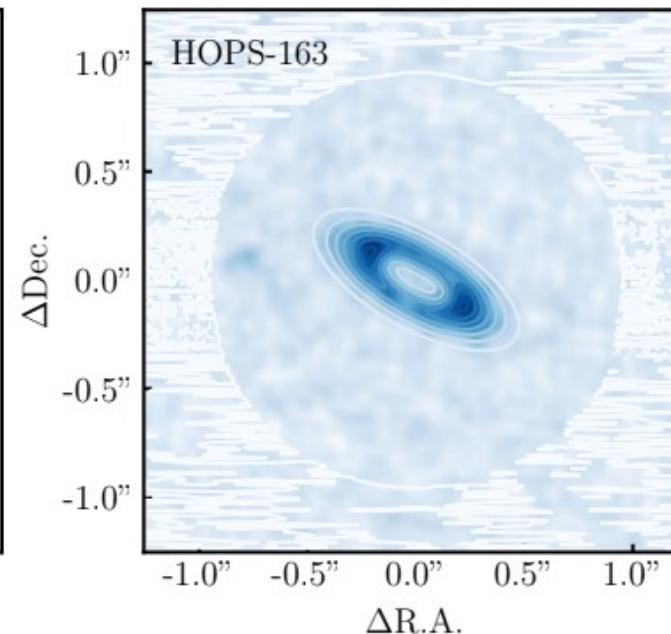
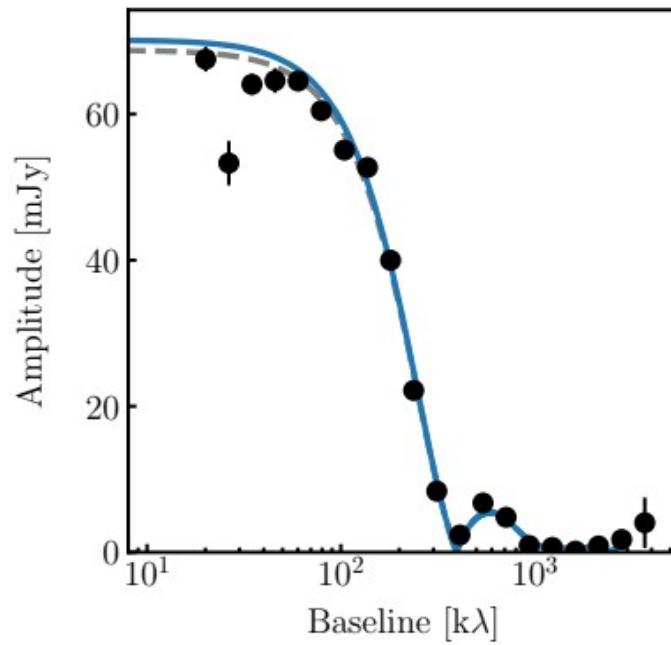
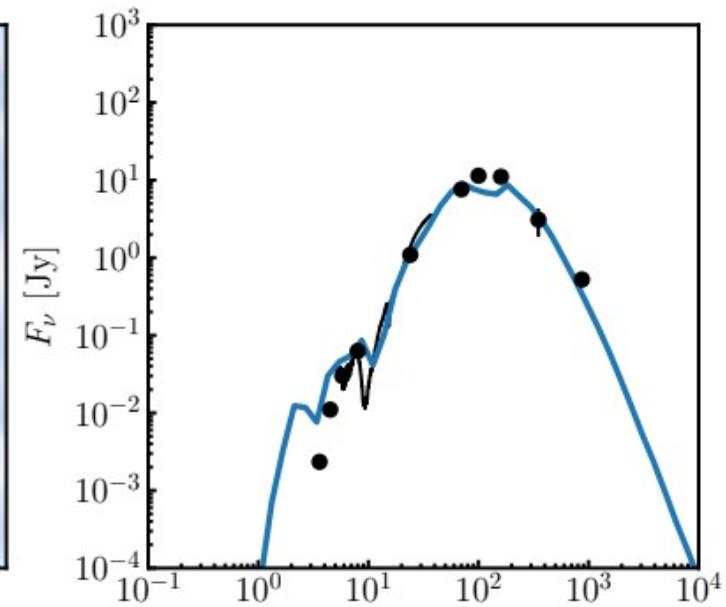
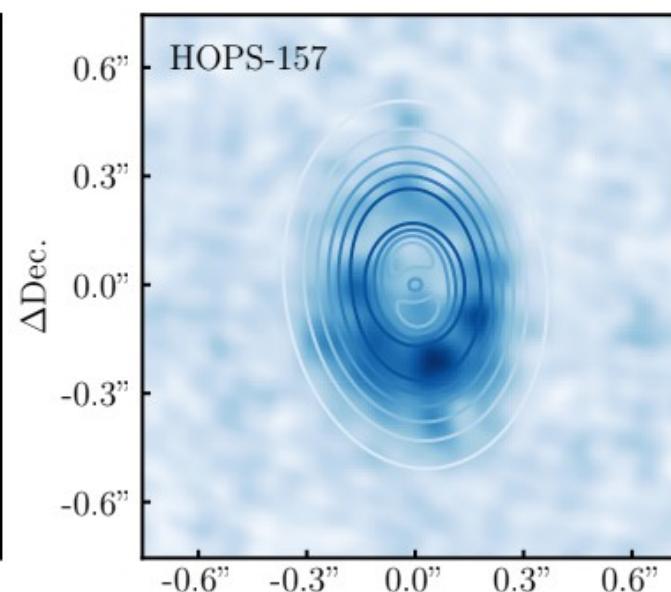
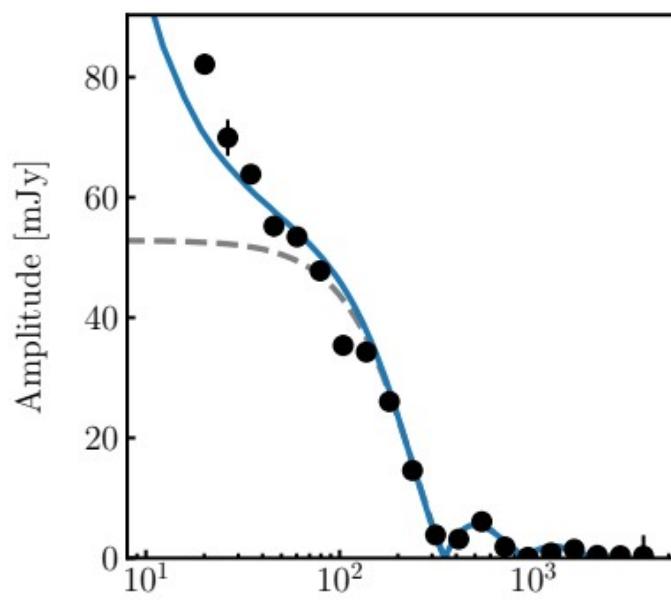


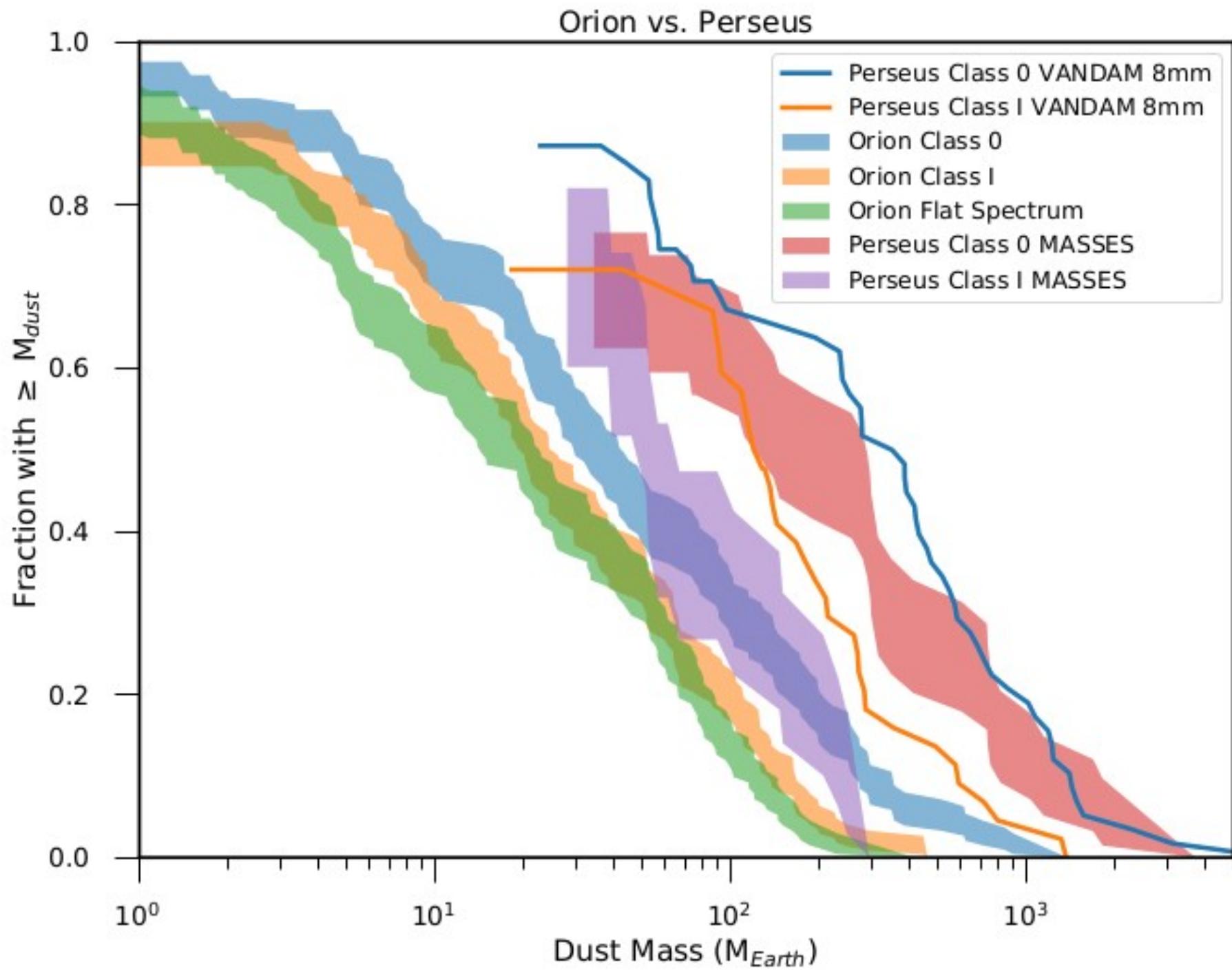
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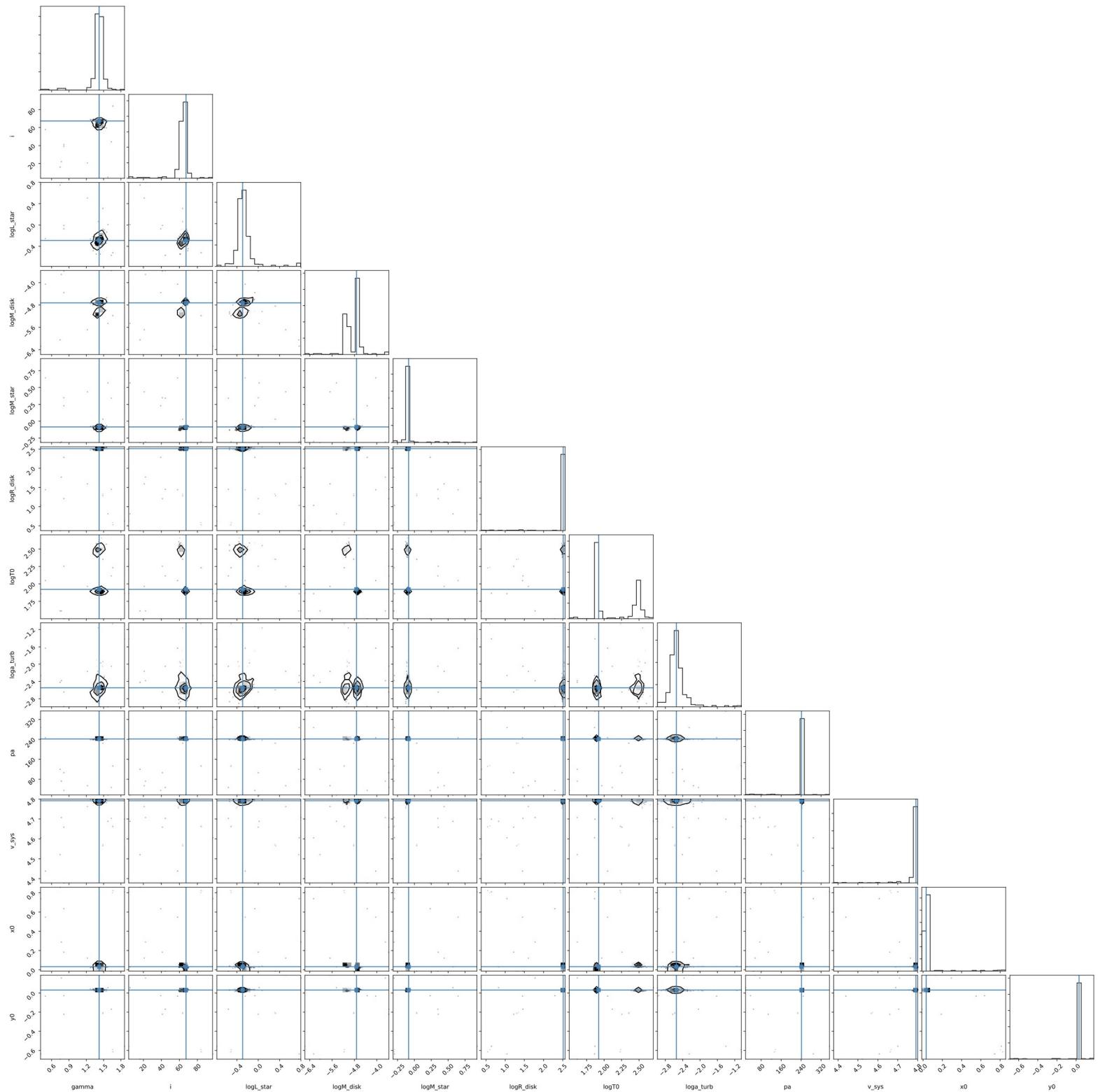
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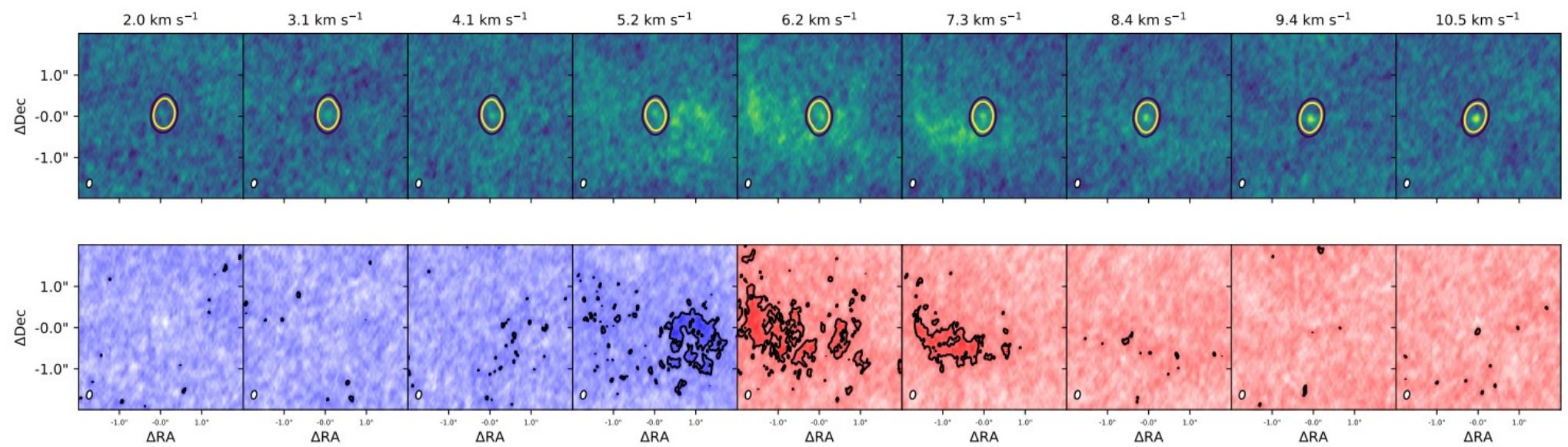


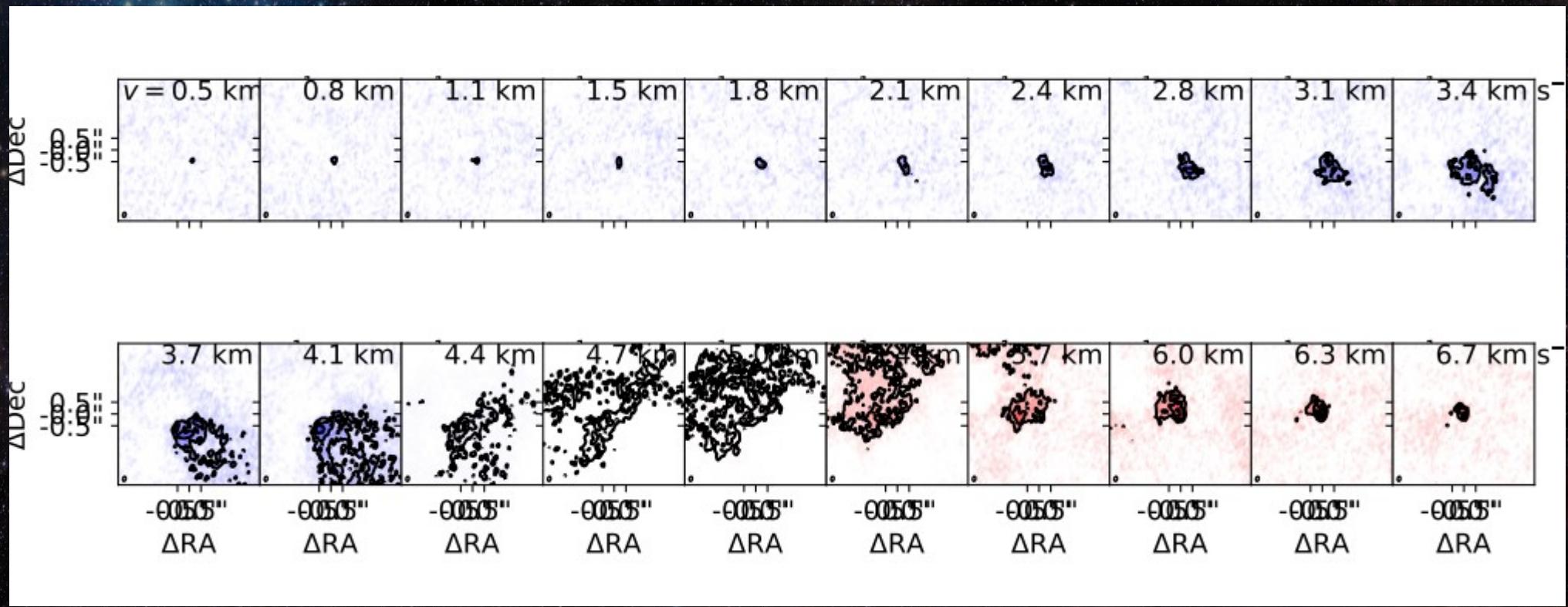
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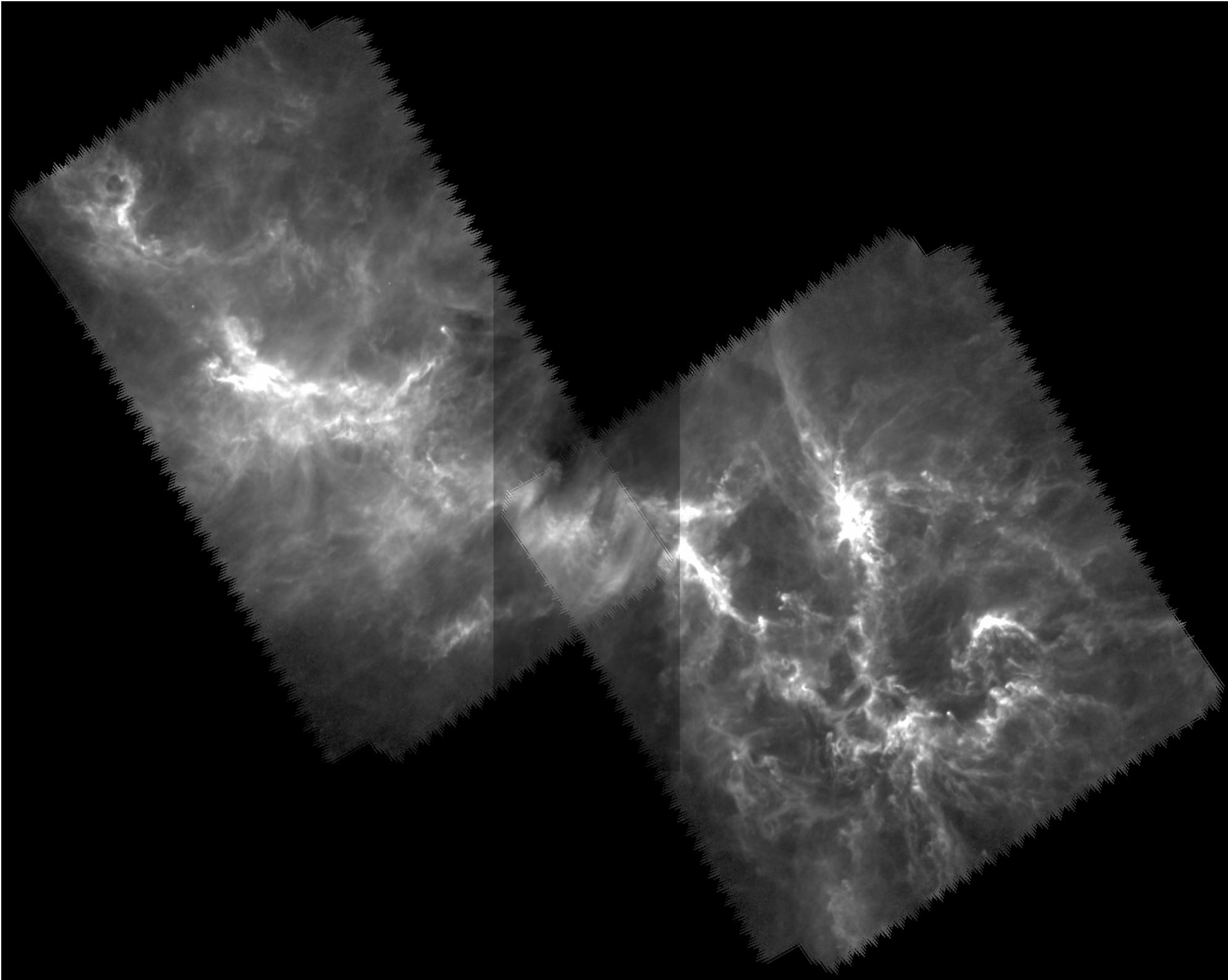




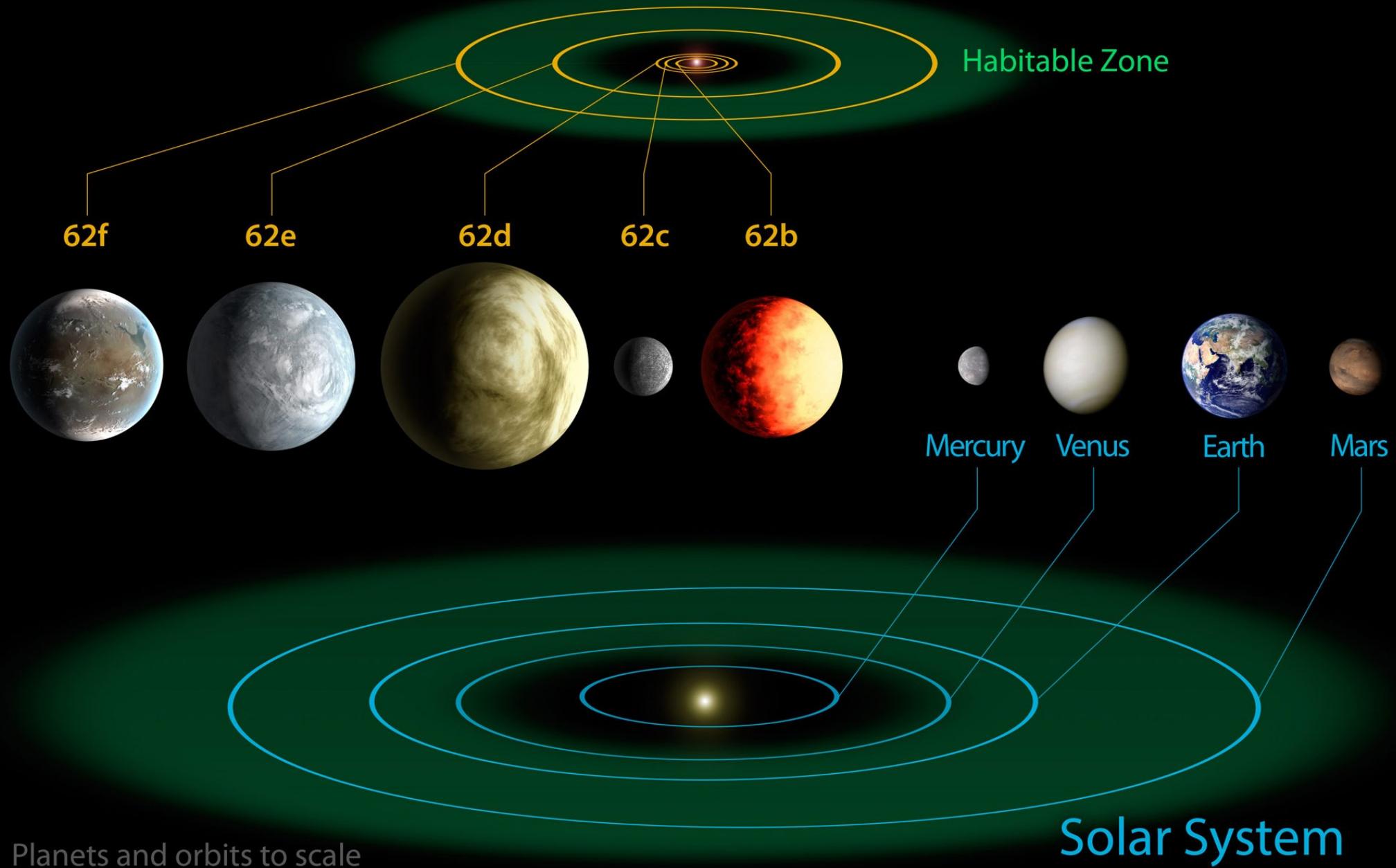




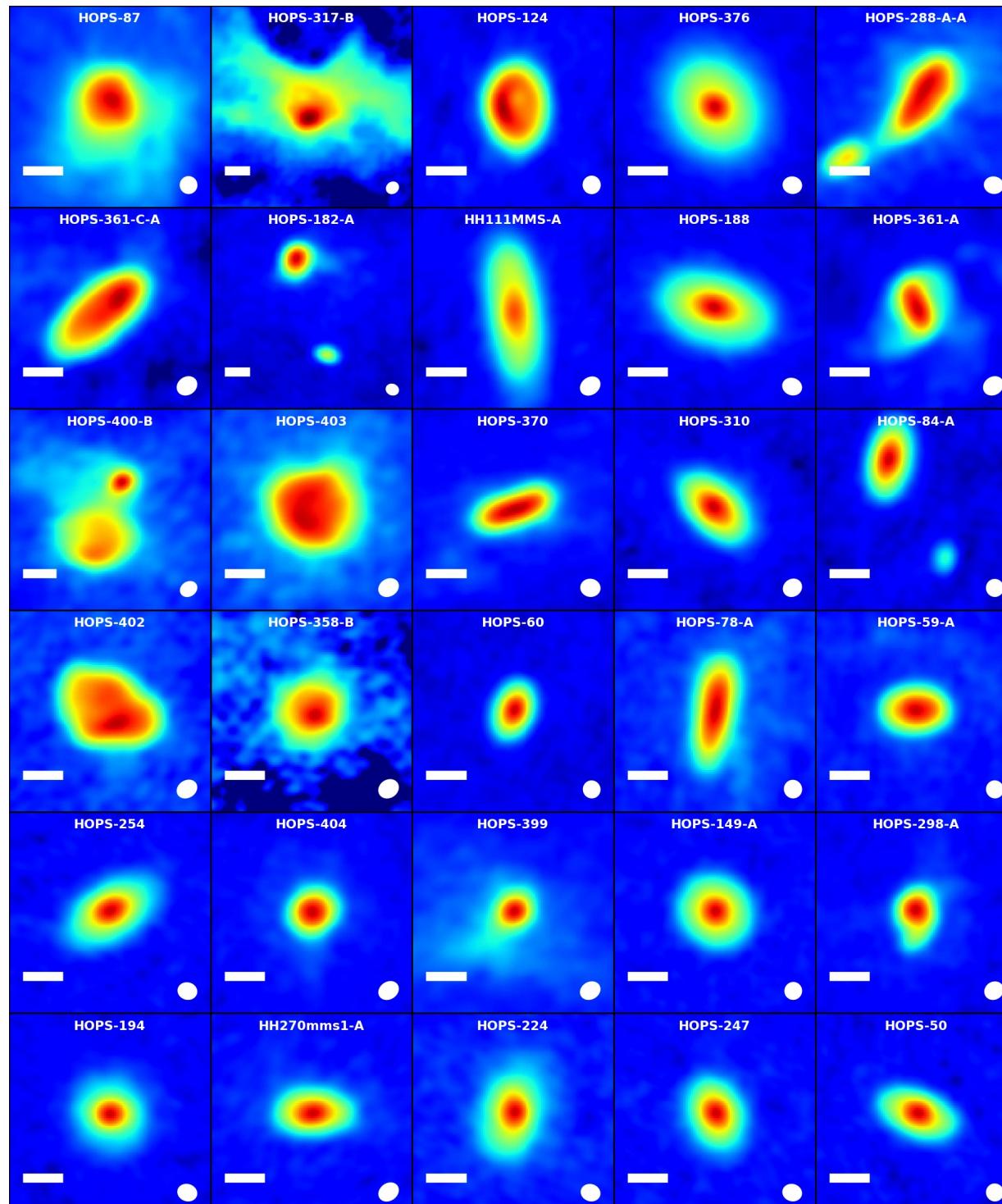




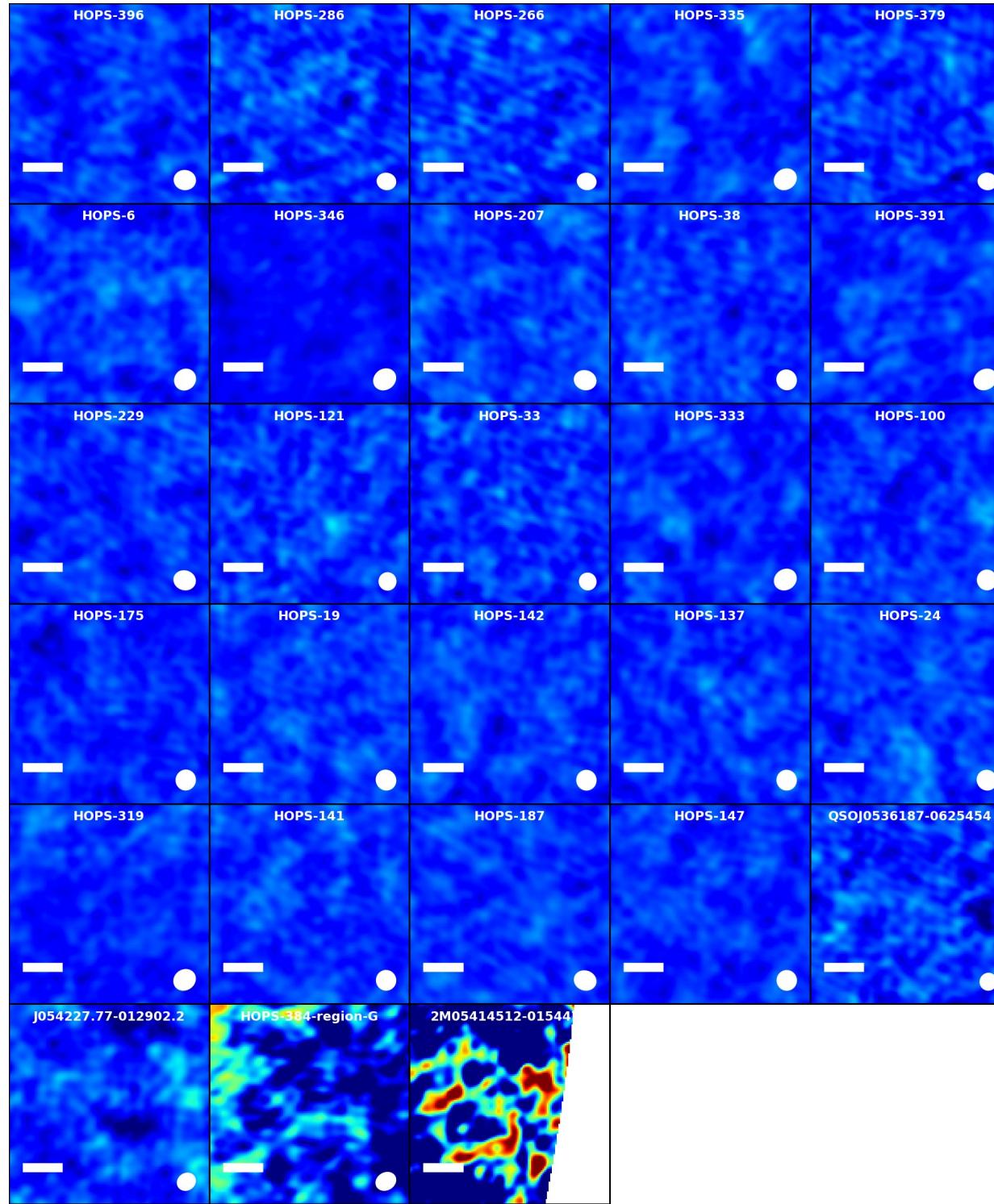
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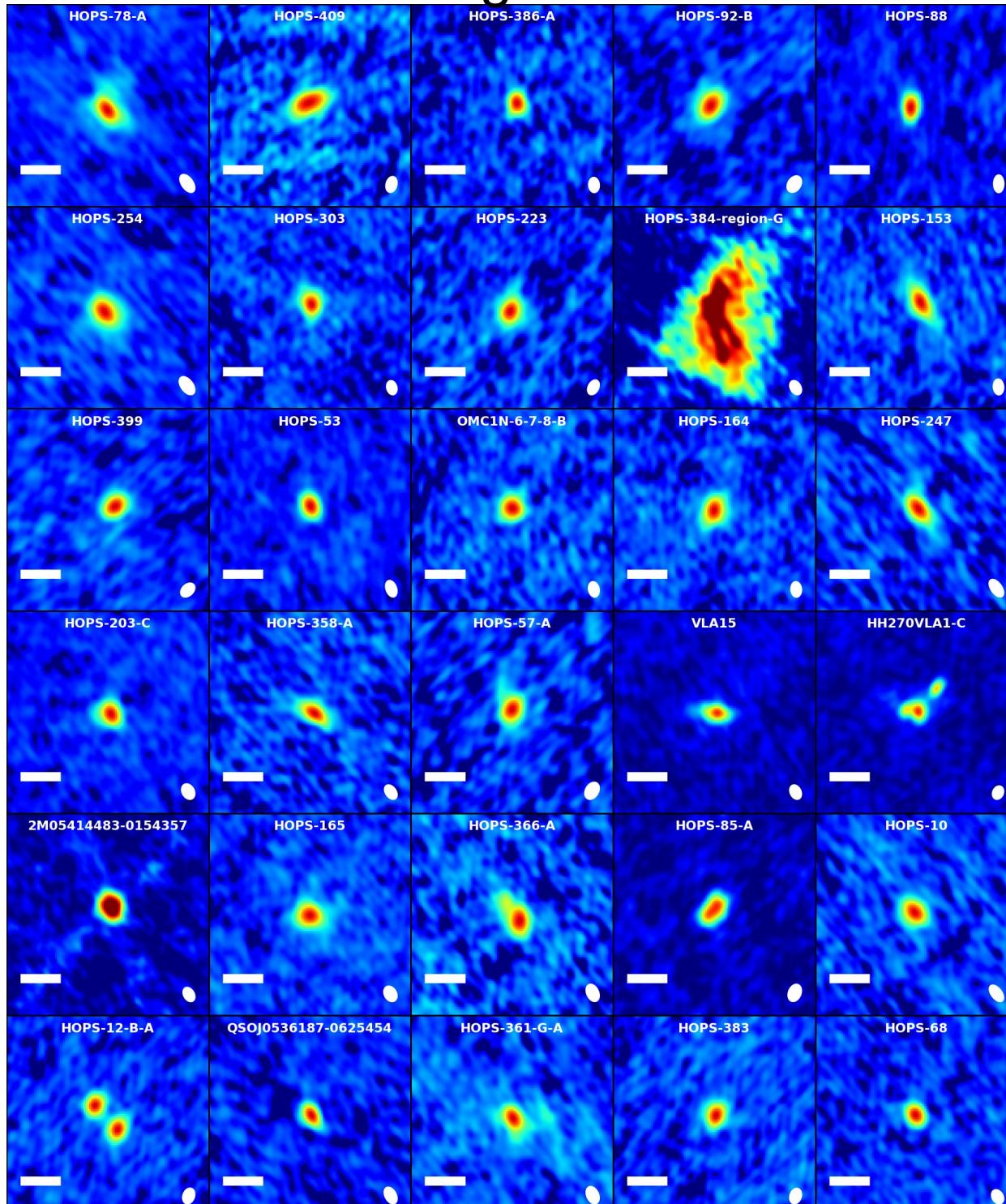
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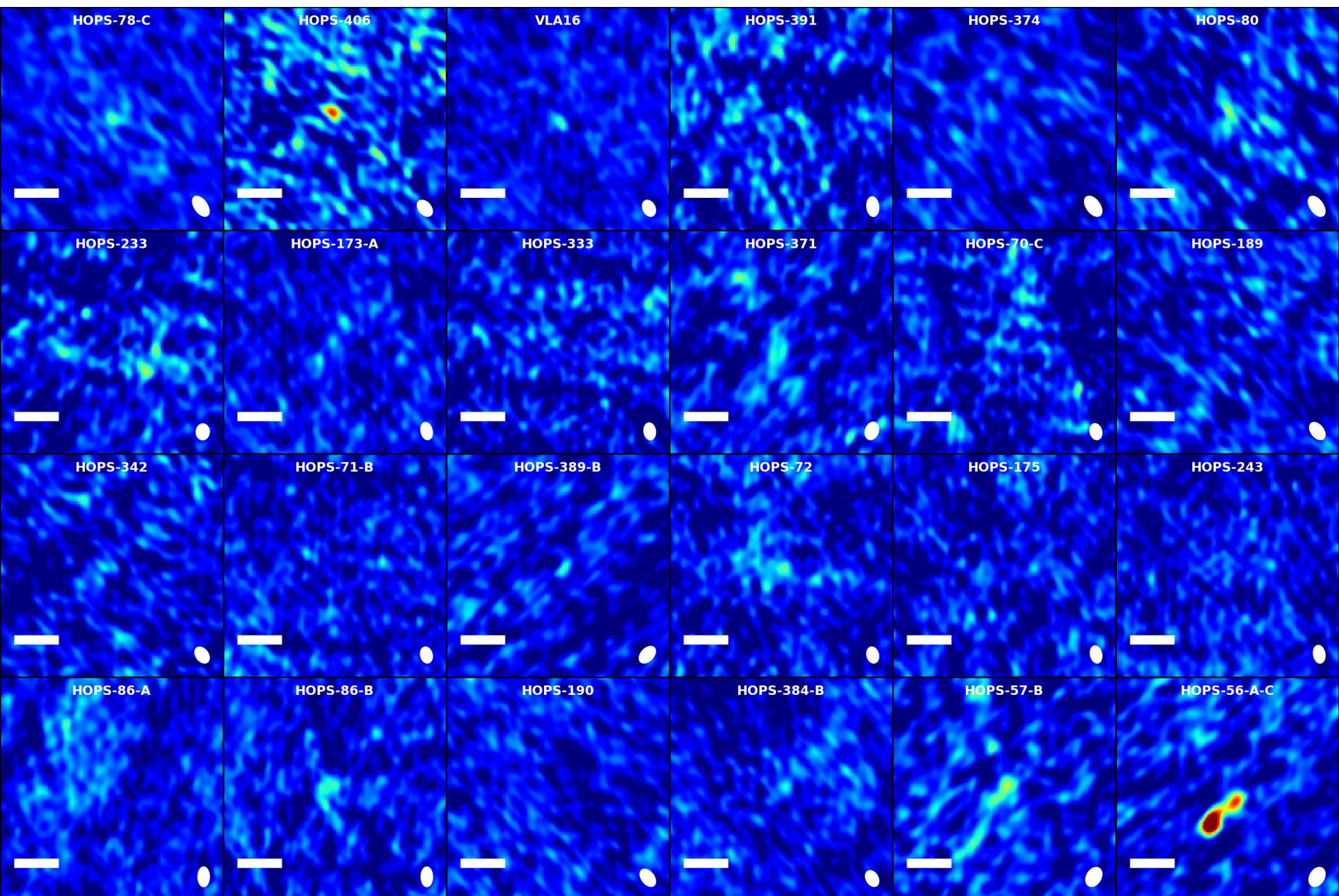
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# Strong VLA/ALMA Detections and their fits

