

Harnessing Machine Learning to Study Star Formation

利用機器學習研究恆星形成

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Unlocking the Mystery of our Sun

Why does the Sun have the mass it does?

太陽的物質怎麼來的？

How long does it take to form stars?

製造恆星要多久？

Why is there only one star in our Solar System?

為何太陽系只有一顆恆星？（明天的講題）

Tomorrow!

太陽10年

Why do the planets have the properties they do?

如何解釋行星各自的性質？

NASA:
10yr time lapse
of the Sun

從恆星誕生地「分子雲」找答案

Answers lie in the birth places of stars: "molecular clouds"

Outline

1. Life cycle of stars

2. Why use machine learning?

3. Hunting for signatures of stellar feedback: outflows and winds

利用機器學習，尋找恆星形成過程當中回饋雲氣的「噴流」與「恆星風」

4. Future work & conclusions

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Credit: NASA, ESA

Life Cycle of Stars

Galaxy



50 kpc

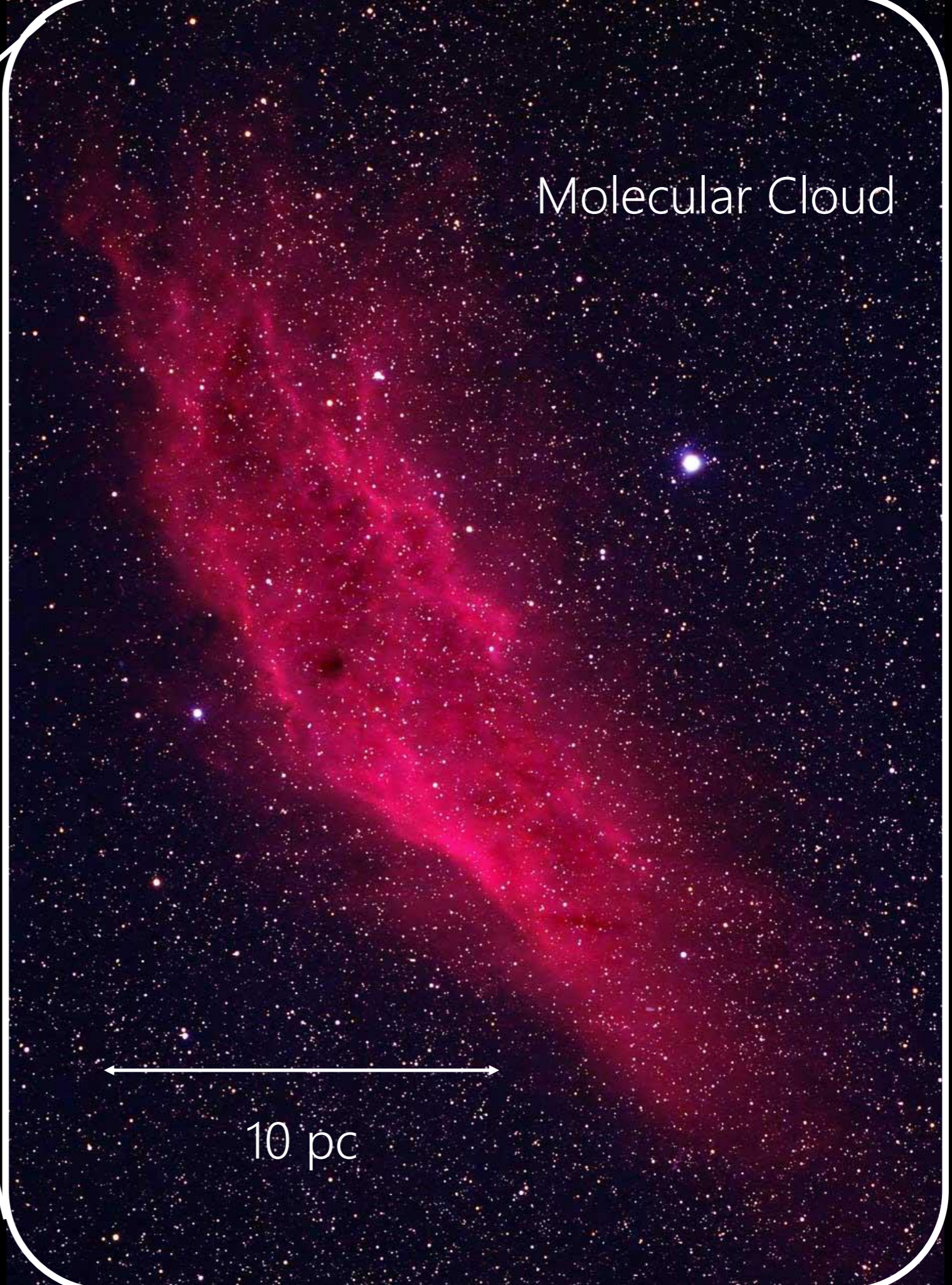
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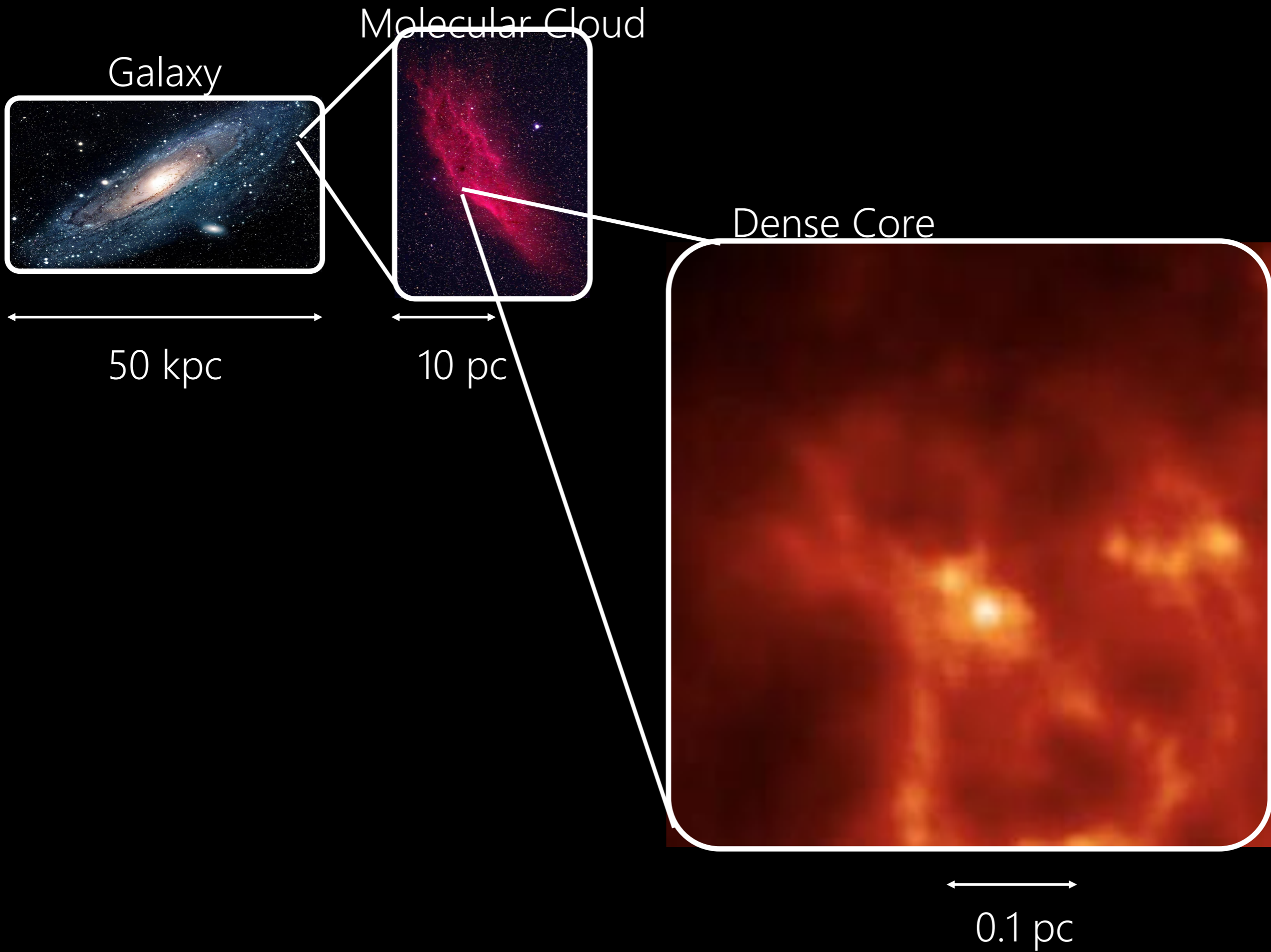


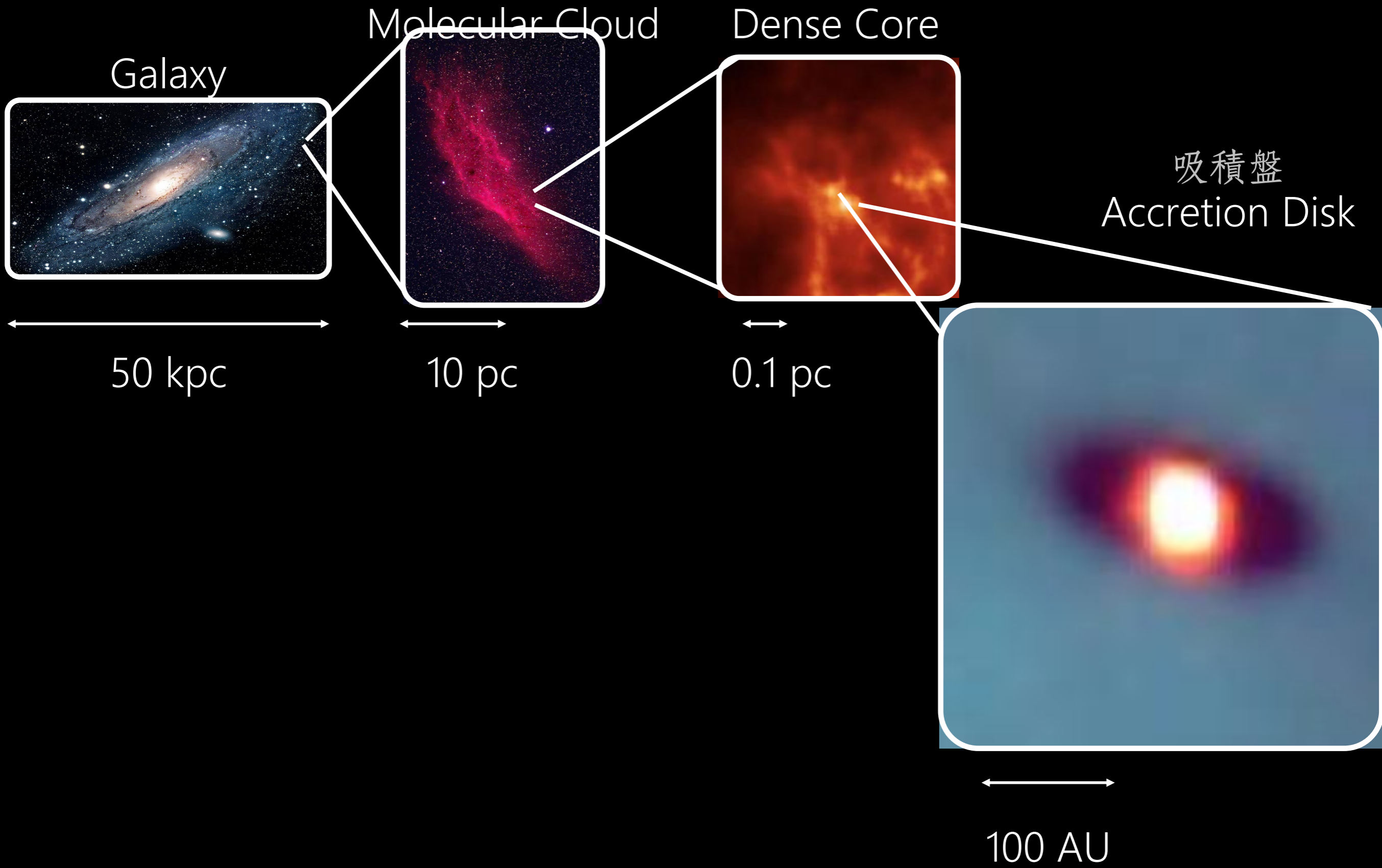
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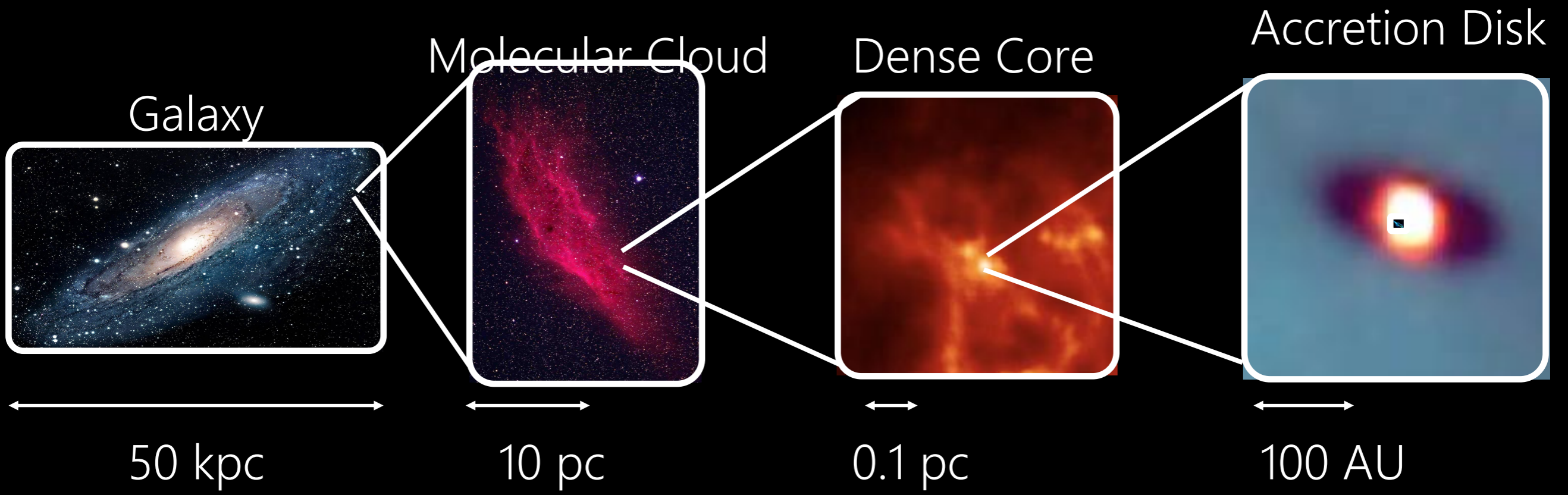


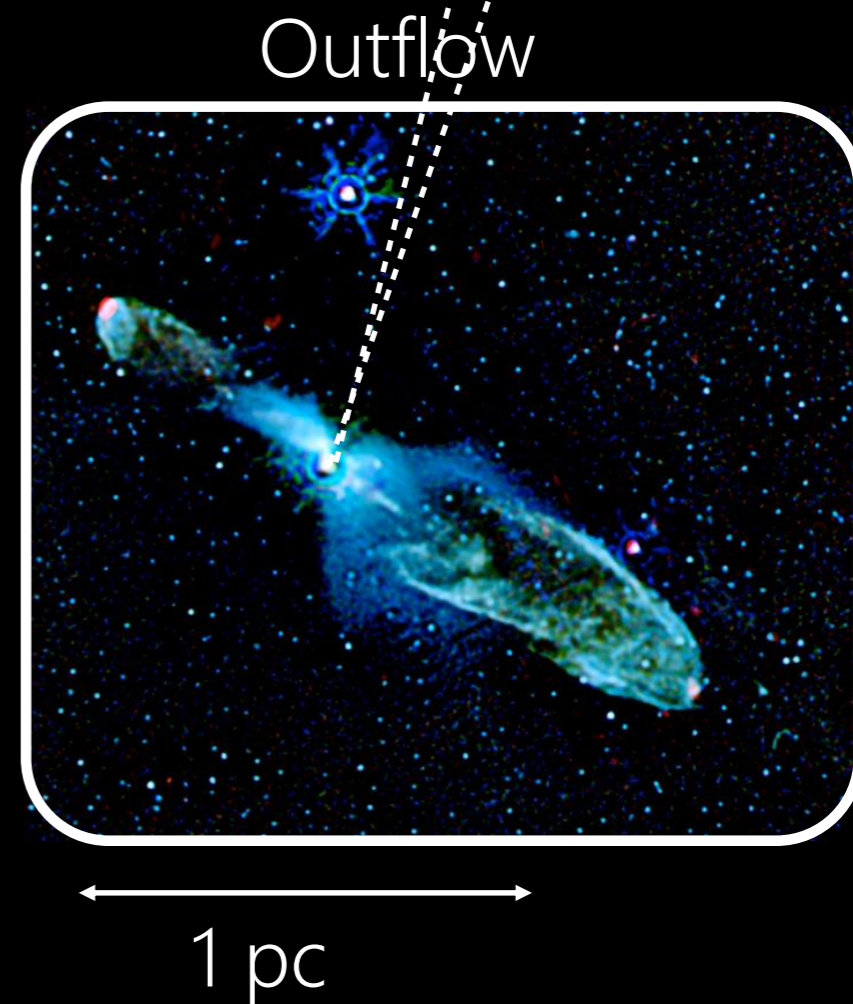
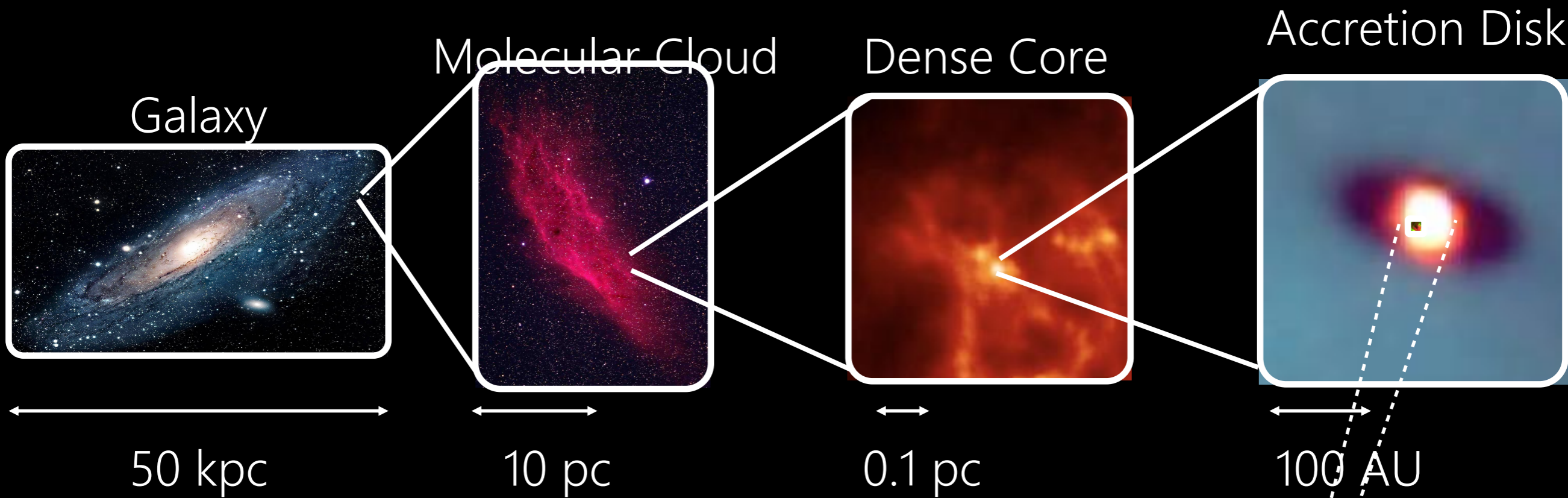
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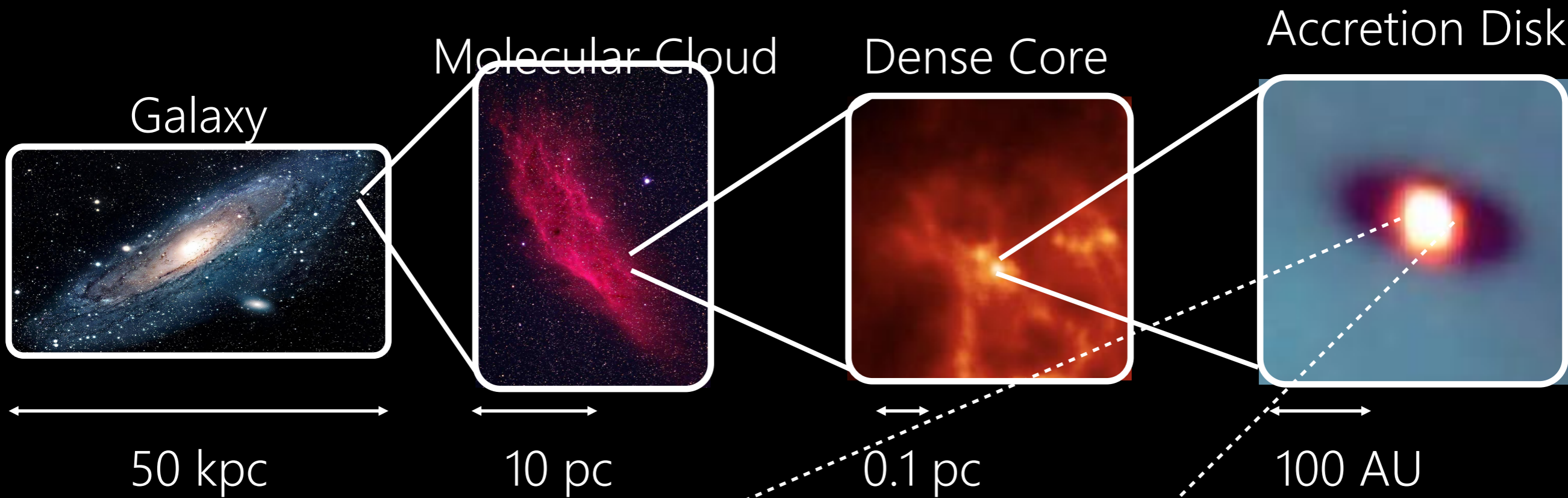












Stellar Wind/
Radiation

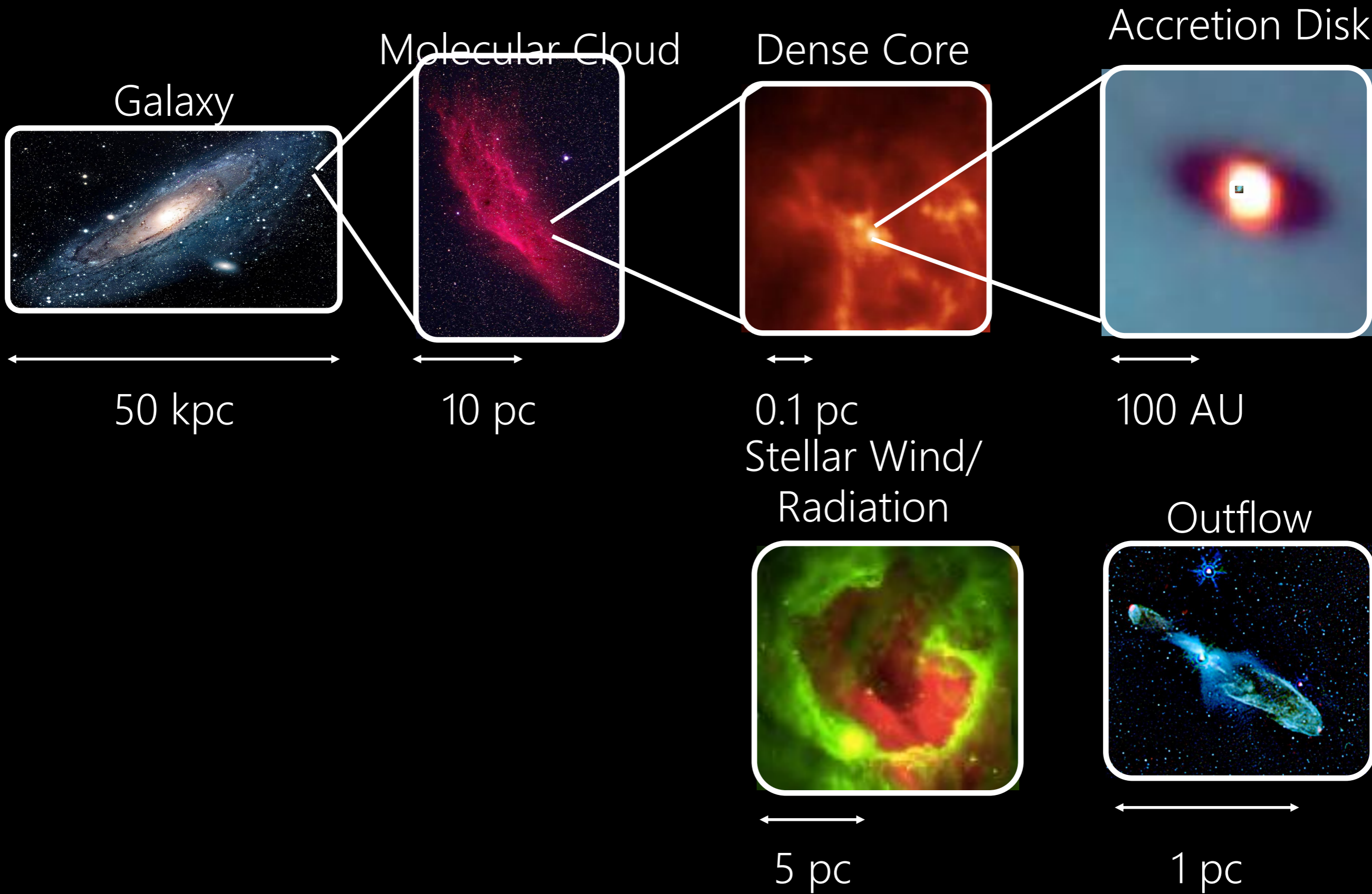
恆星風與輻射

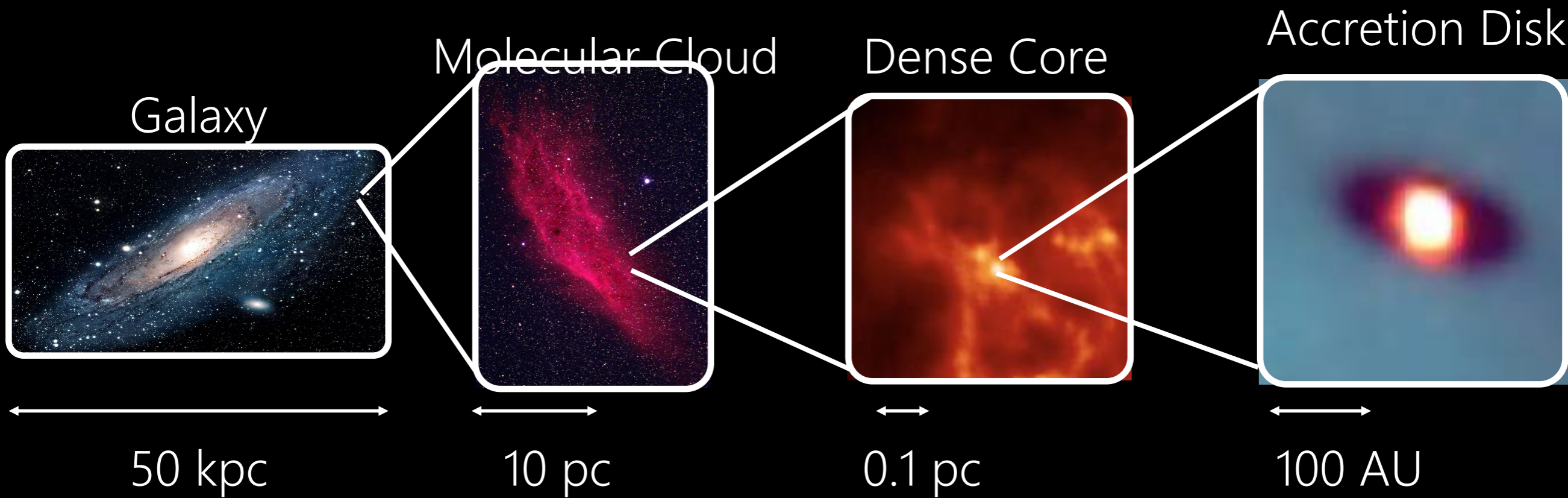


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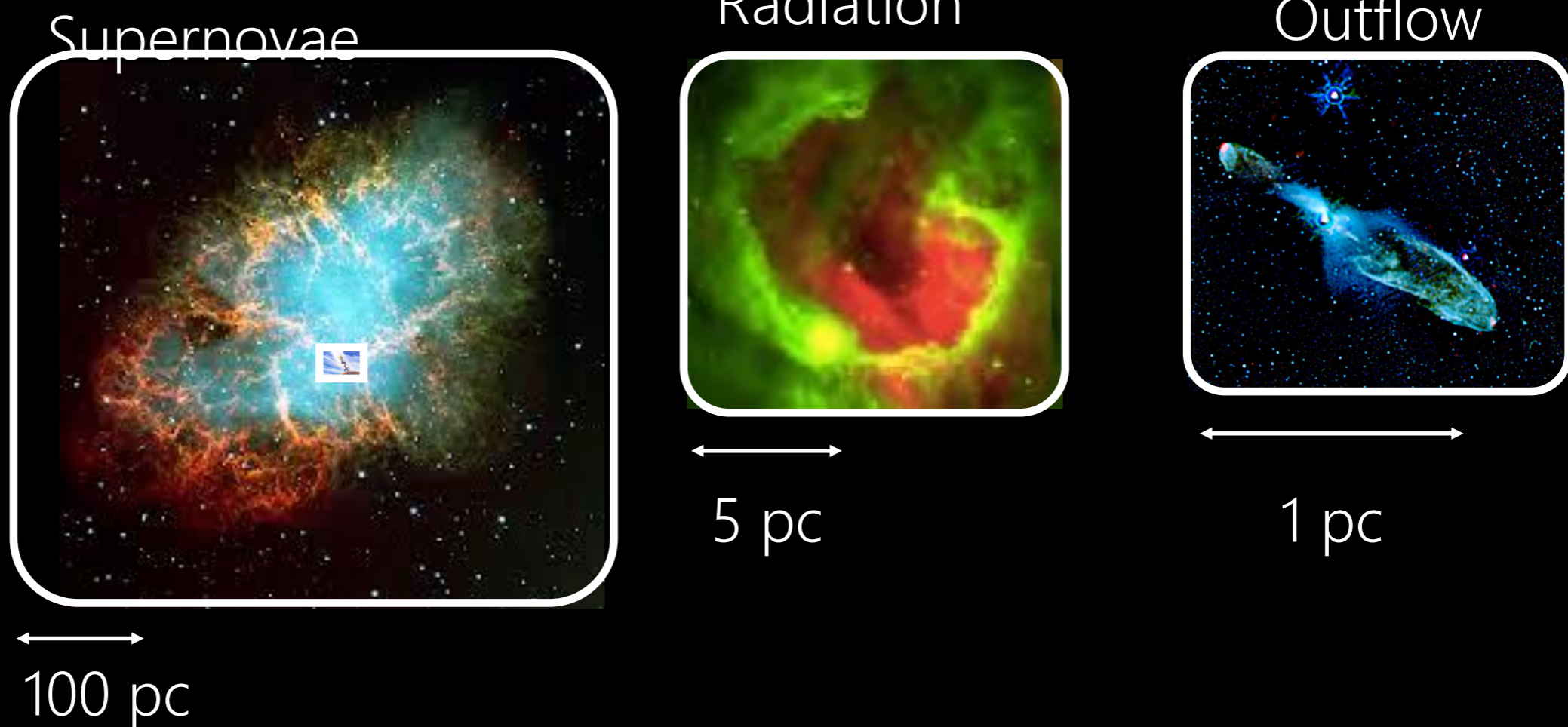


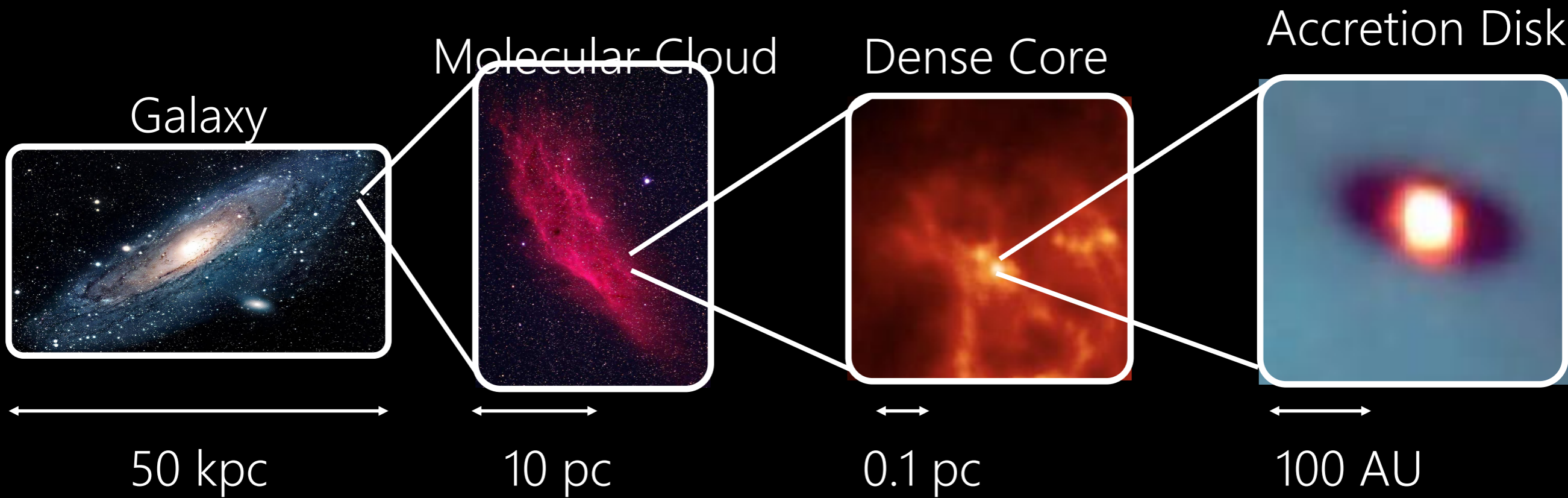
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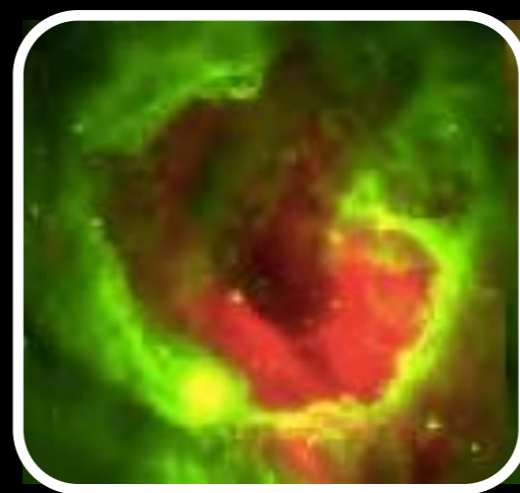


Supernovae



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Stellar Wind/
Radiation



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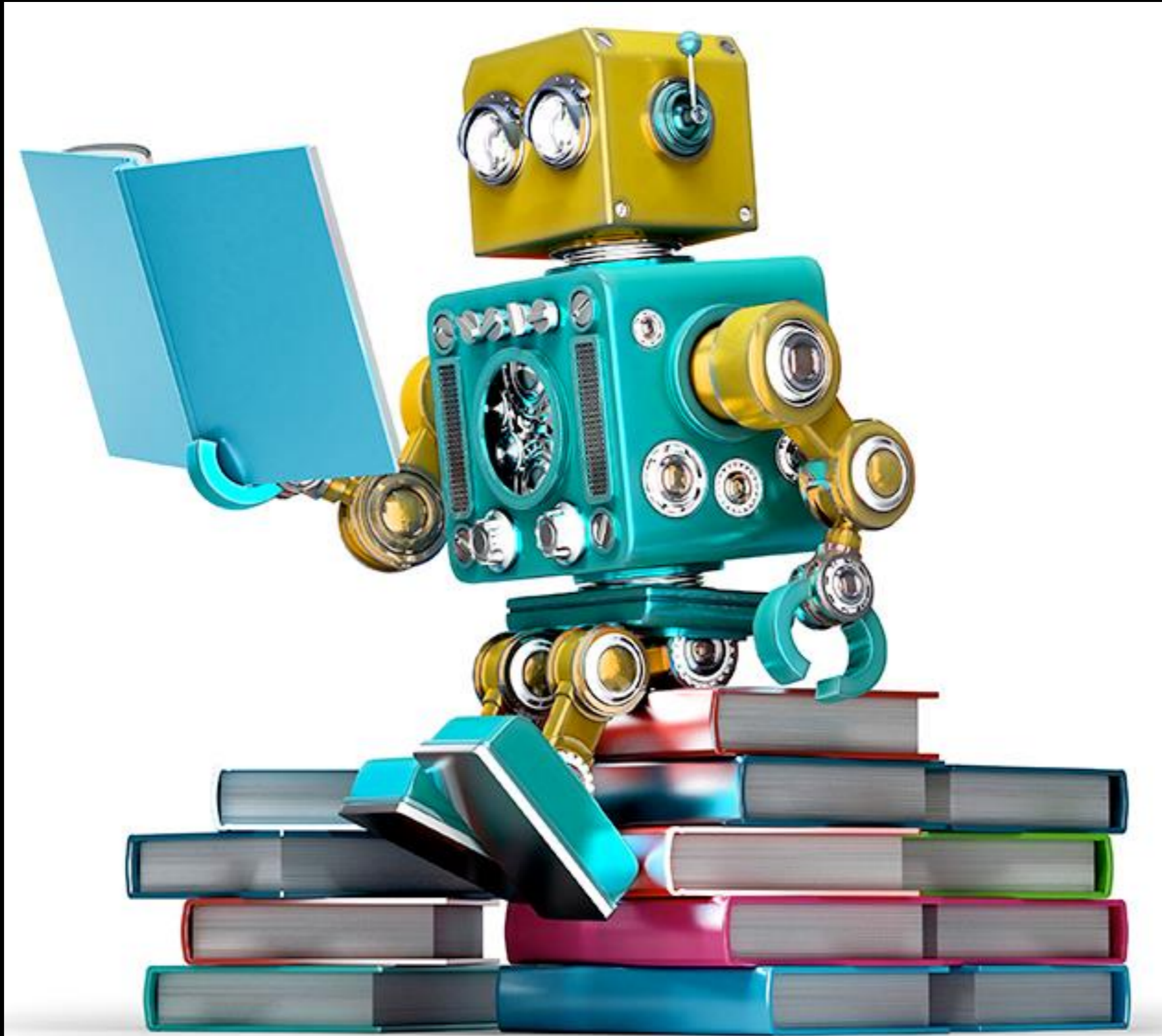
Outflow



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Machine Learning

or Artificial Intelligence



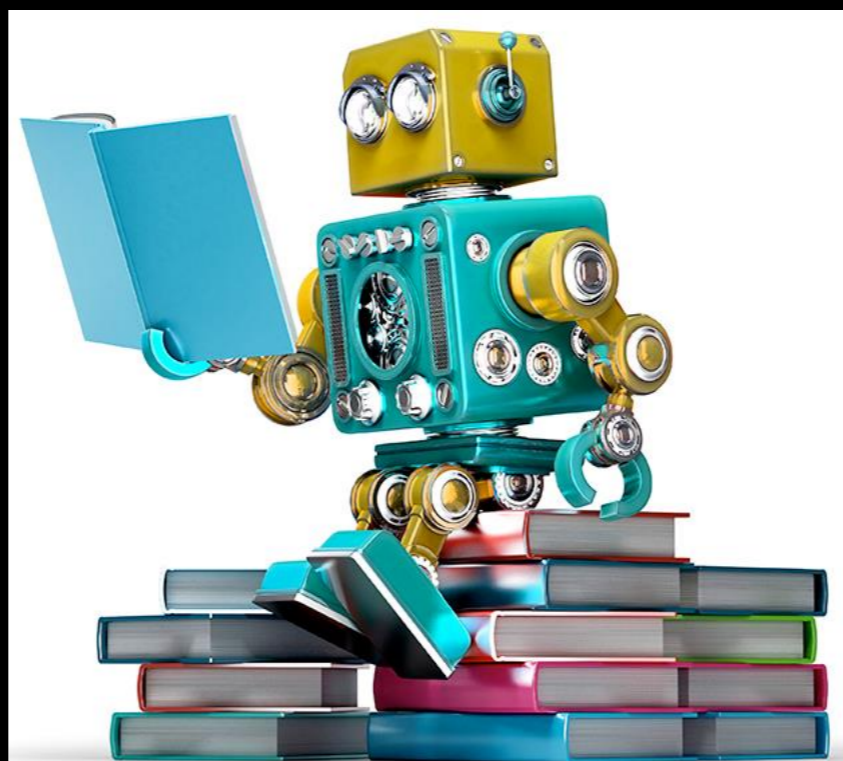
Machine Learning

or Artificial Intelligence

noun :: field of computer science that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed.

讓電腦自我學習，而非
執行特定程式

— Arthur Samuel



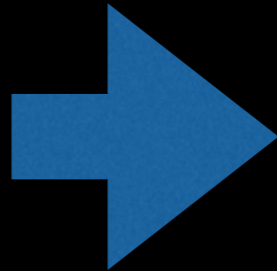
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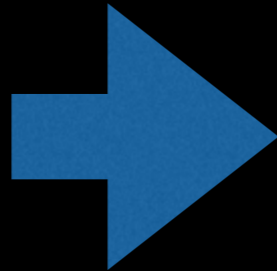
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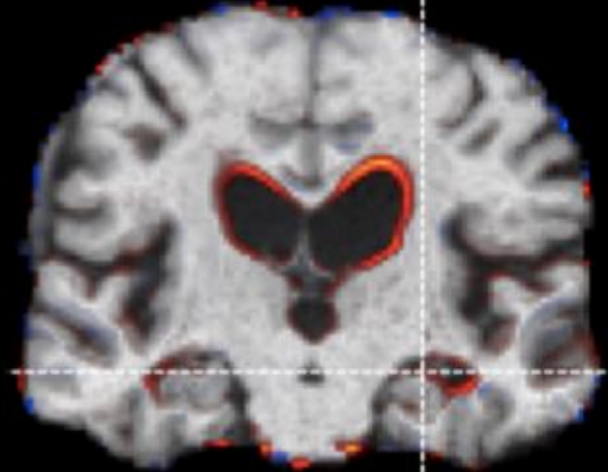
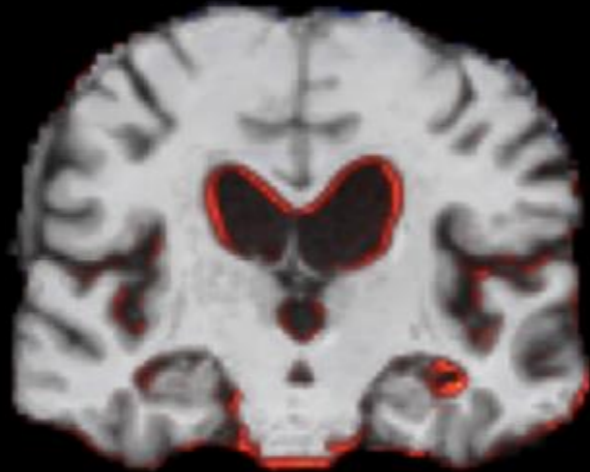
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監督學習



2. Find a pattern / **something interesting**: *unsupervised*

無監督學習



3. Make new images / similar data: *generative*

具衍生特性

Why machine learning?

.....Star formation is *messy*

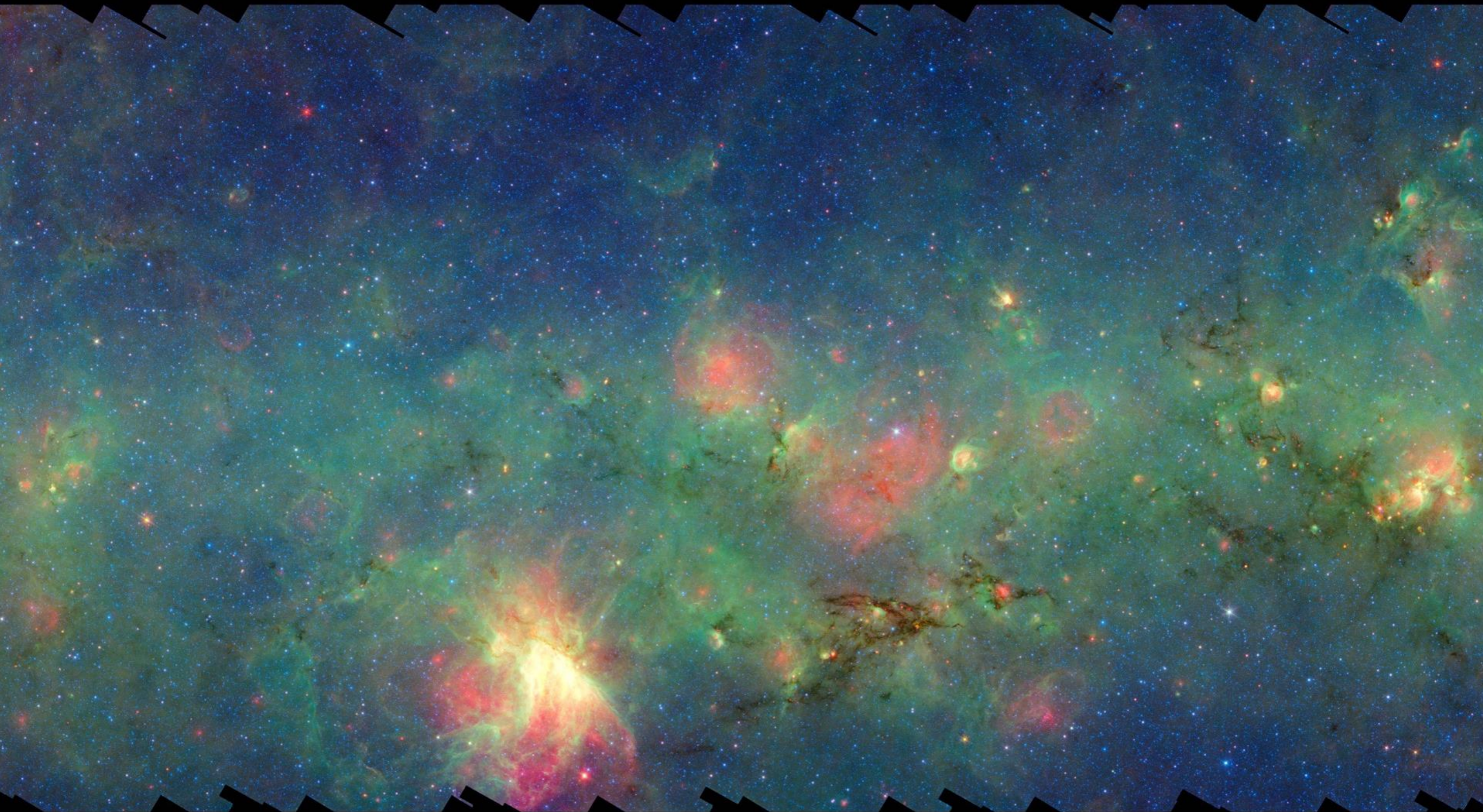
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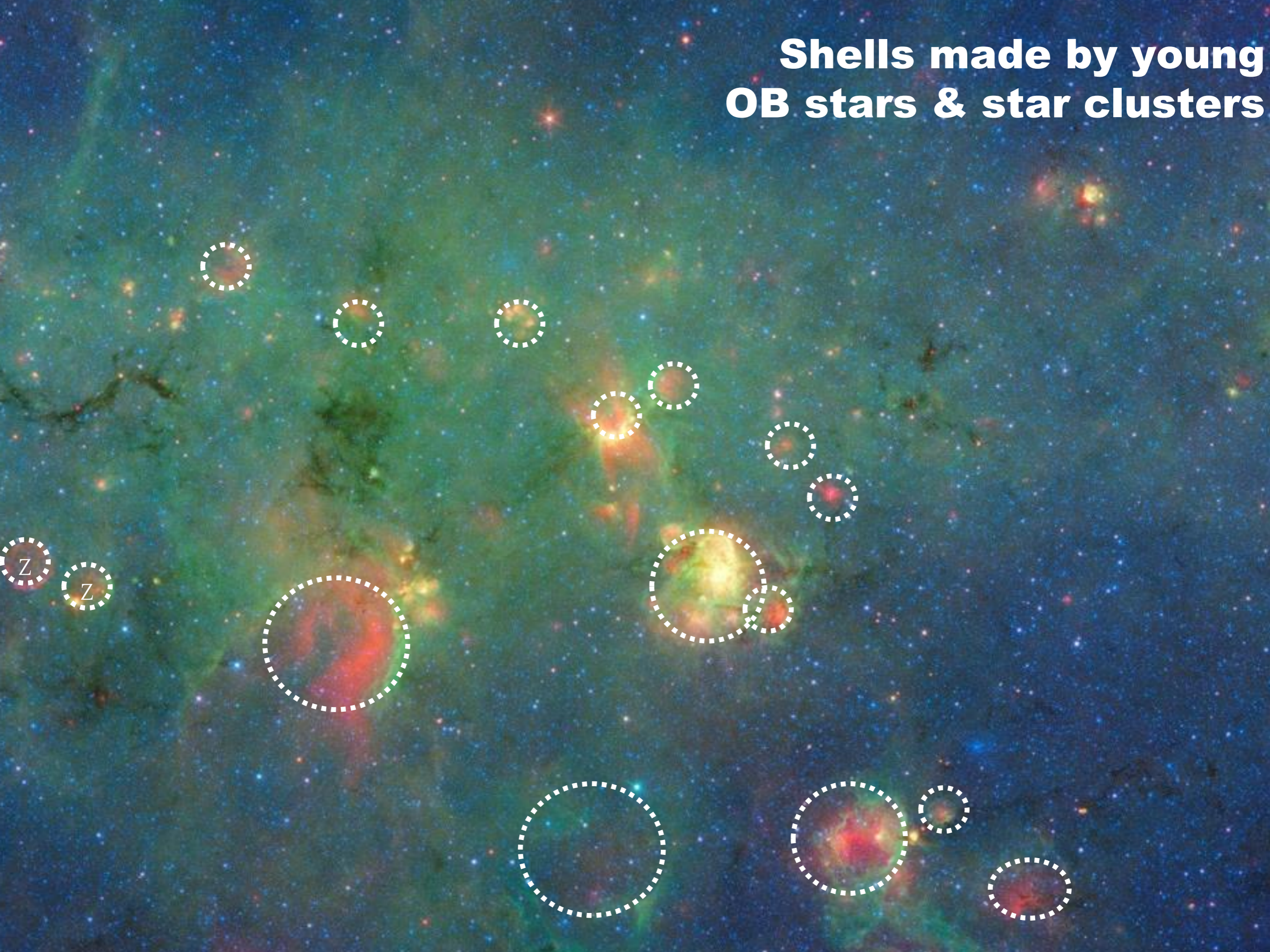
Dust Emission

星際塵埃的輻射

Spitzer Space Telescope Galactic Plane Survey



Shells made by young OB stars & star clusters



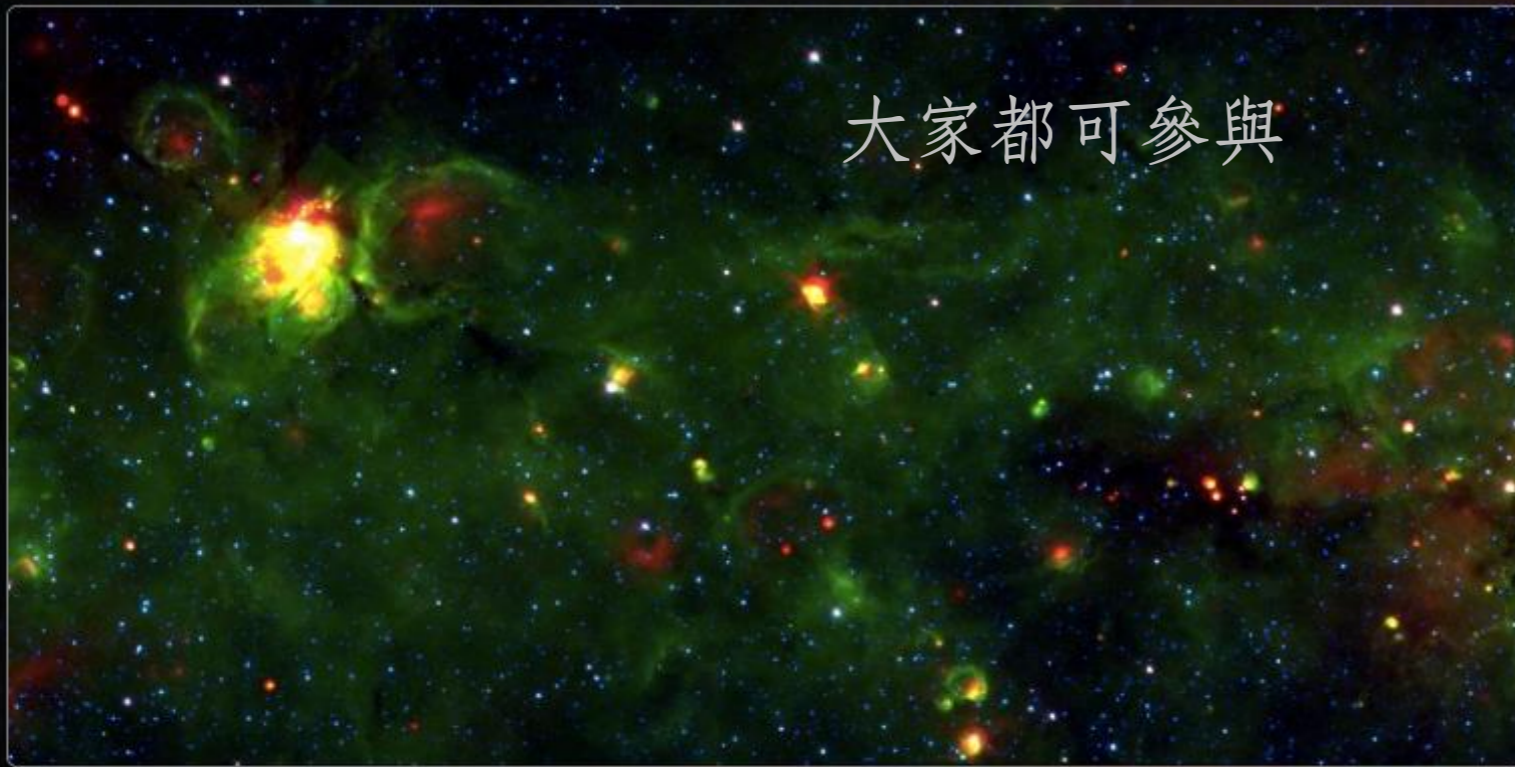
Why machine learning?

...There is *a lot* of data...

數據量大



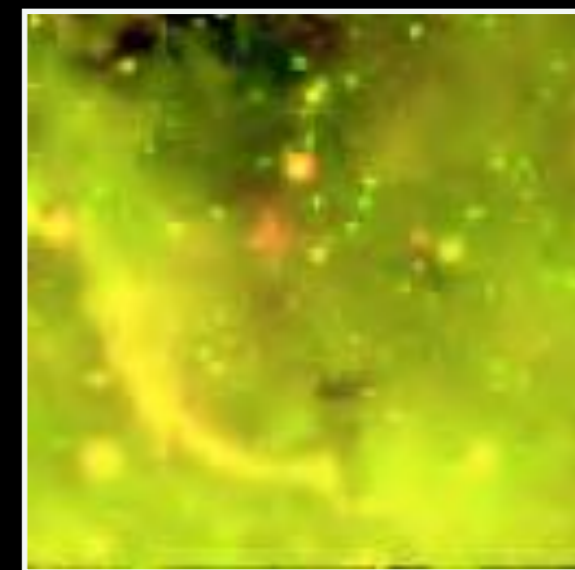
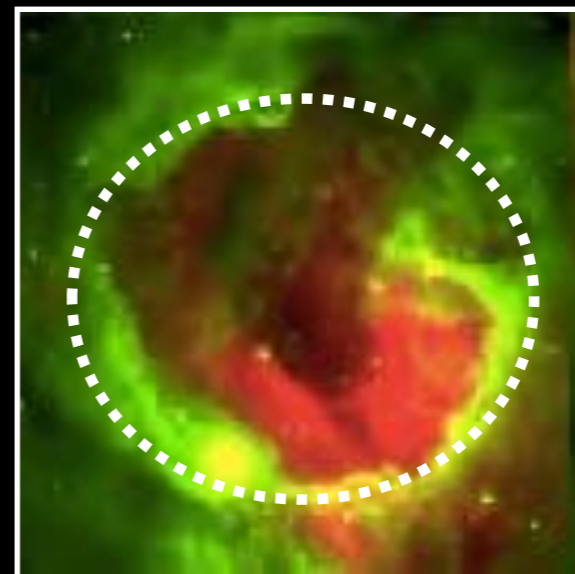
Milky Way Citizen Science Project (MWP)



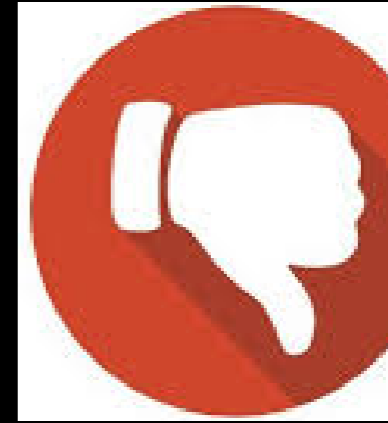
大家都可參與

What do you see in this image? Make classifications using the sets of tools below, and if multiple objects appear in the same image mark *each* bubble, bow shock + driving star, etc. If you find that there's *nothing* worth marking, simply click 'Done' to complete the classification and view other images.

- Bubble 0 drawn
- Bow Shock 0 drawn
- Bow Shock Driving Star 0 drawn
- Yellowball 0 drawn
- Other Objects 0 drawn



Human Identifications



1. Engage the public in science!

2. Numerous!

3. Free!

4. Can identify atypical cases!

1. Different opinions.

2. Need simple instructions.

3. Can be “hangry.”

Even experts don't know the “right” answer.



Why machine learning?

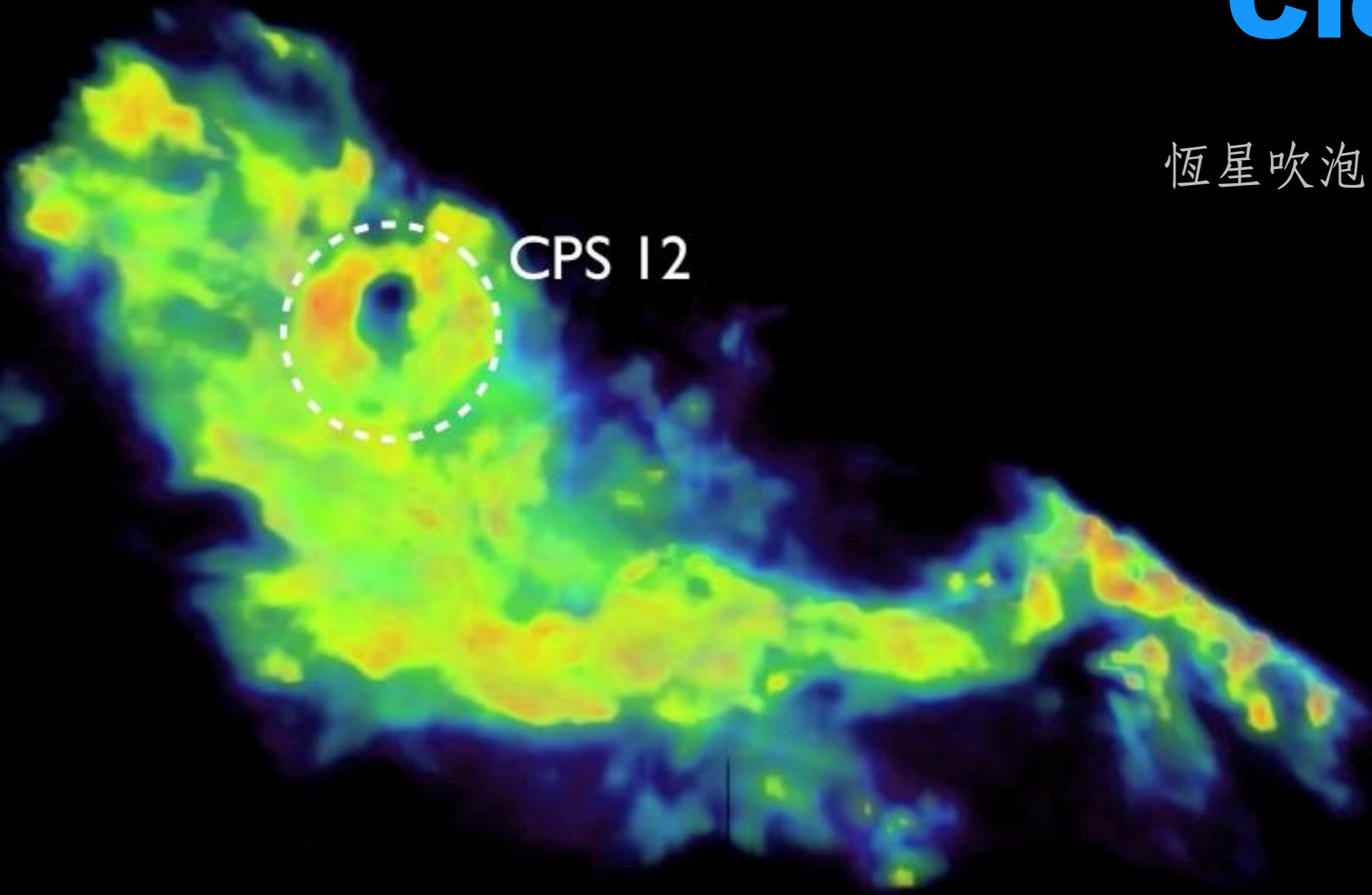
....Star formation is messy

...*and* 3+ Dimensional

B5 Star Forming Region in $^{13}\text{CO}(1-0)$

Bubbling Clouds!

恆星吹泡泡



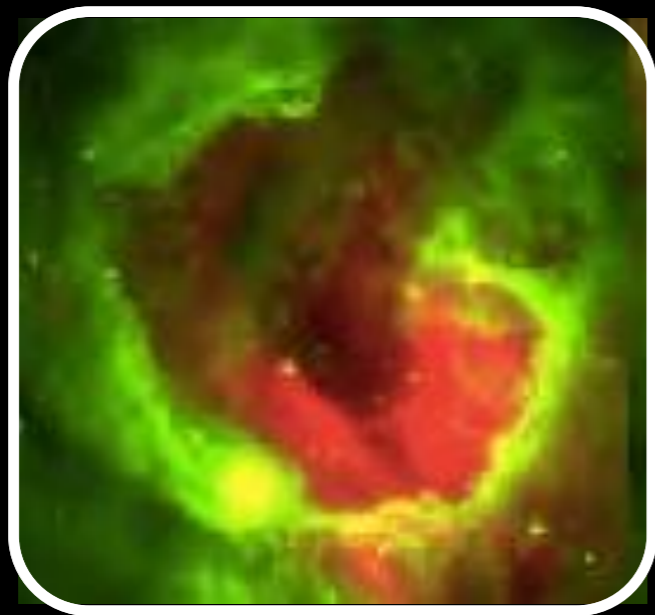
Michelle
Borkin

A Bubbling Nearby Molecular Cloud
H. Arce et al. 2011, movie courtesy of A. Goodman

Human with Applied Physics
PhD, topic: data viz

How does feedback shape clouds & star formation?

Part I. Stellar Winds



Part II. Outflows



利用機器學習指認恆星回饋
其所誕生的雲氣

Use machine learning to identify
stellar feedback!

Convolutional Neural Network

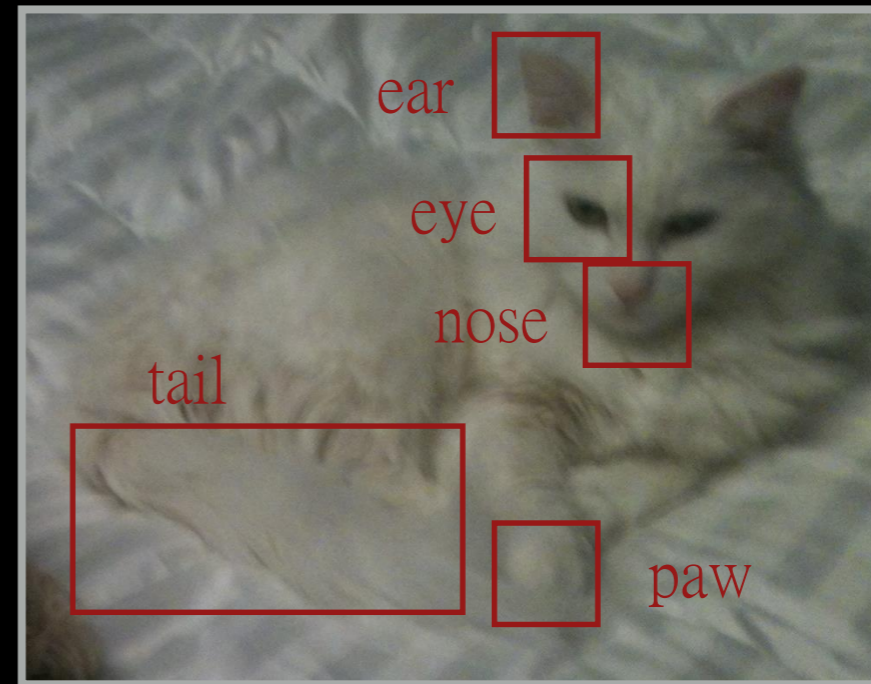
卷積神經網路

先告訴機器要學什麼；叮著它學

Supervised Learning



Characteristics



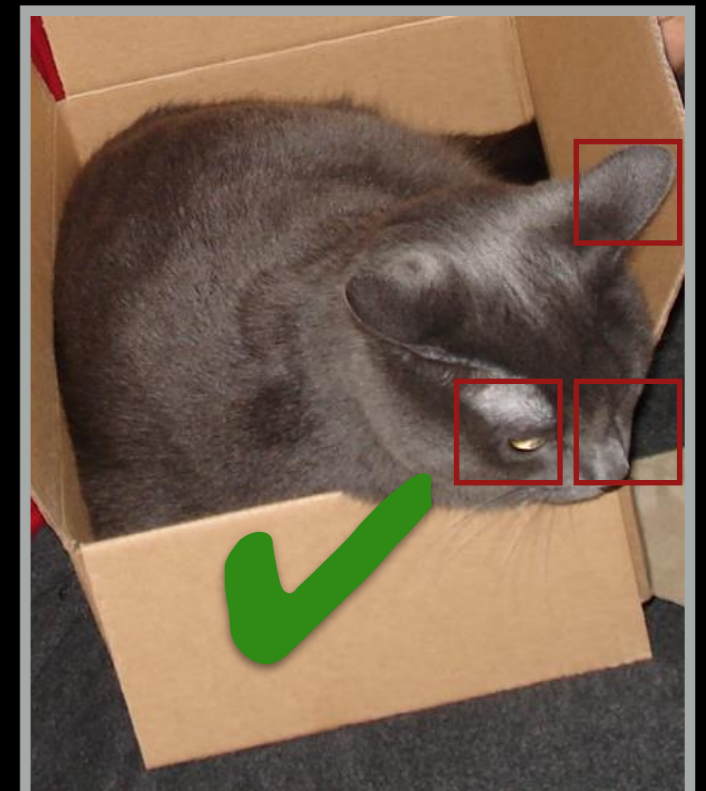
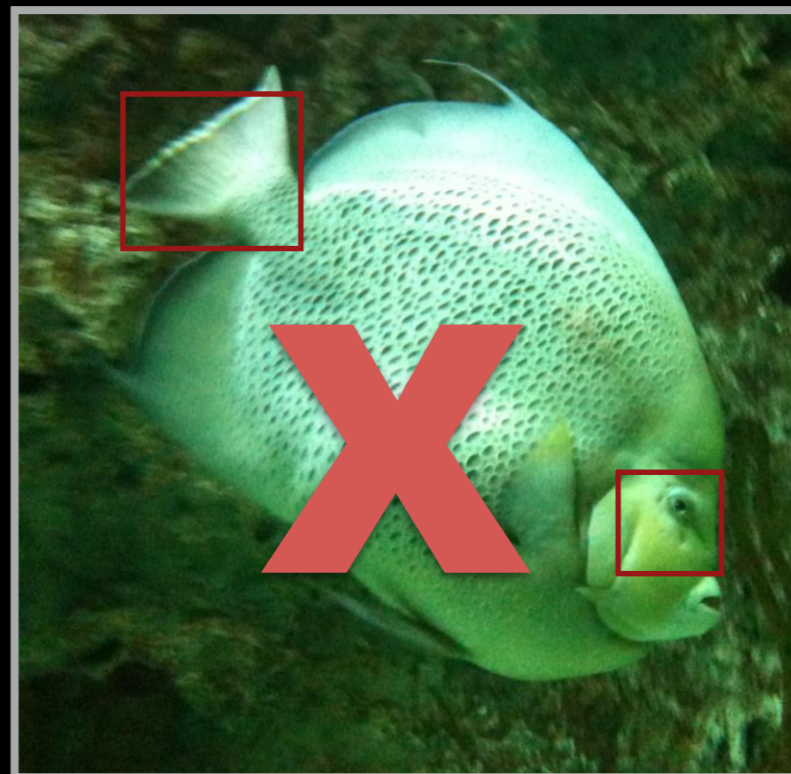
“Cat”

“deep learning”

深度學習



Colin van Oort



Convolutional Neural Network



Training Set

Supervised Learning

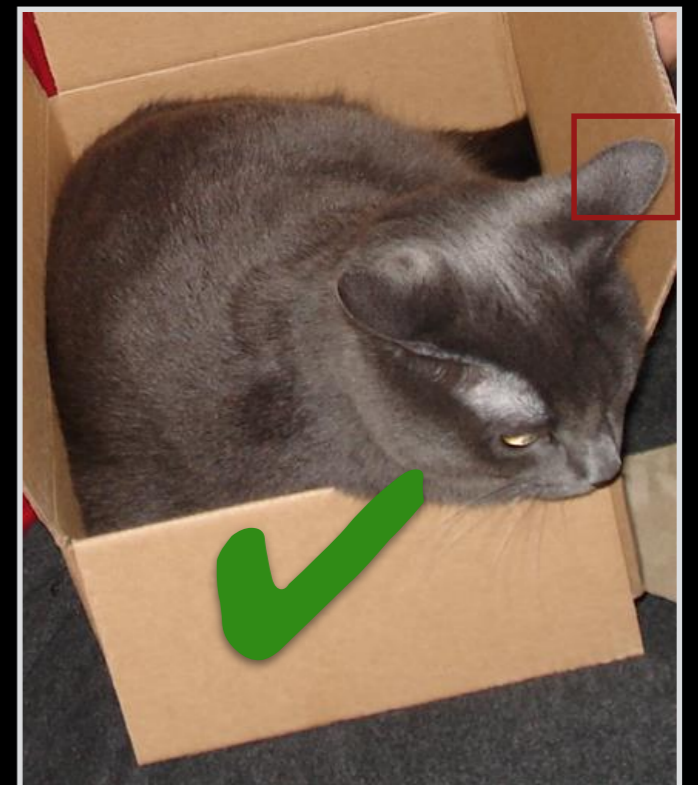
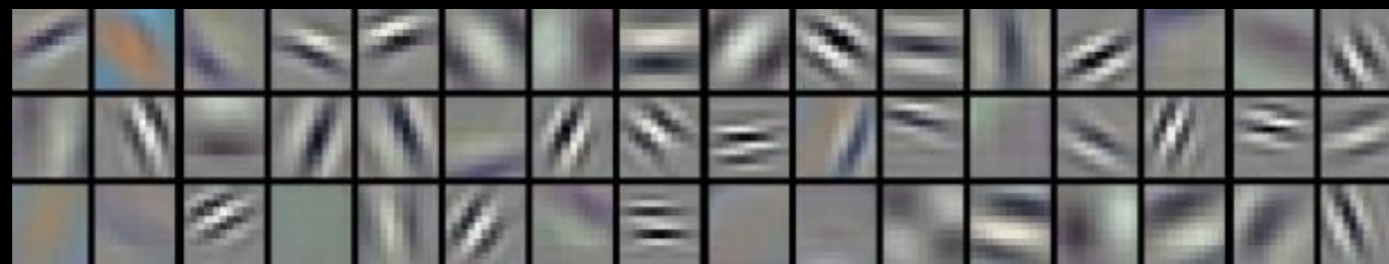


“deep learning”

Not an ear,
but a set of
patterns:
“filters”



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Convolutional Approach to Structure Identification (CASI)

“Denoising Convolutional Autoencoder”

Remove noise / everything not of interest

Be able to reproduce input image

Training Data



Convolve with a filter



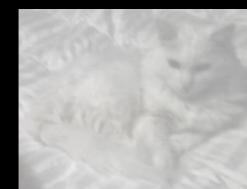
Apply activation function

Feature Map

Upsampling m times and return the target

Repeat $m-1$ times!

Down-sample



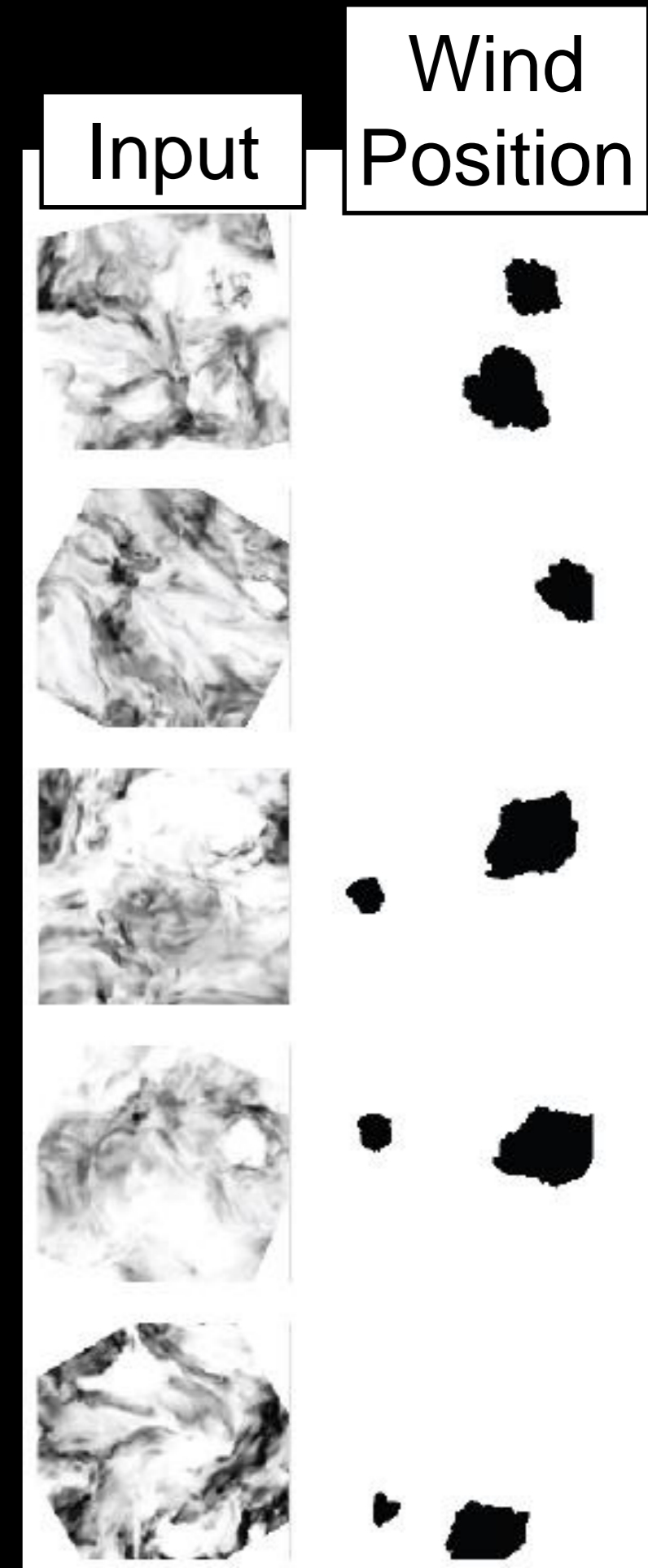
Constructing the Training Set

輸入的學習數據

- **Gas density** 氣體密度
- **$^{12}\text{CO}/^{13}\text{CO}$ emission**
- **Wind tracer field** 風向
- **Different times, magnetic field strengths, star properties**
- **With / without noise**

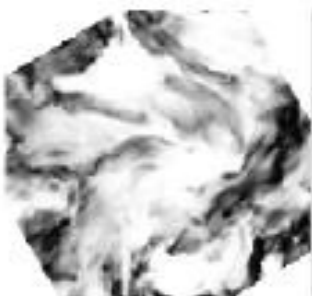
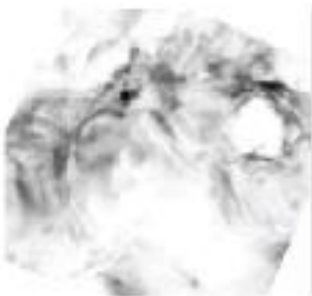
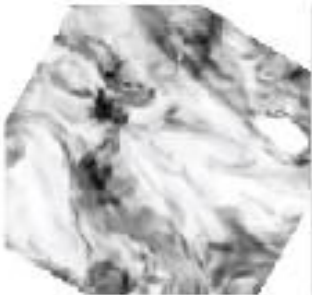
van Oort et al. 2019

^{12}CO emission & binary wind tag slices

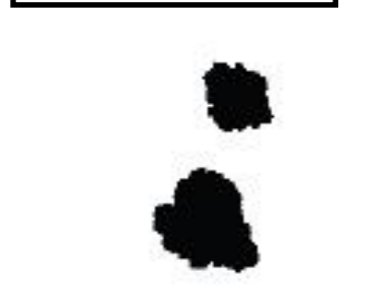


Feedback Recovery (2D slices)

Input



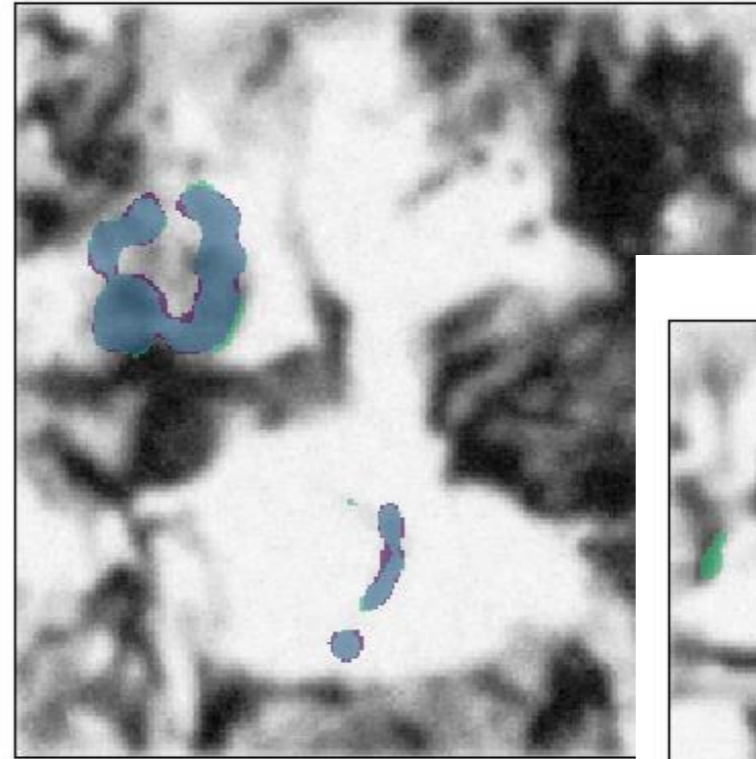
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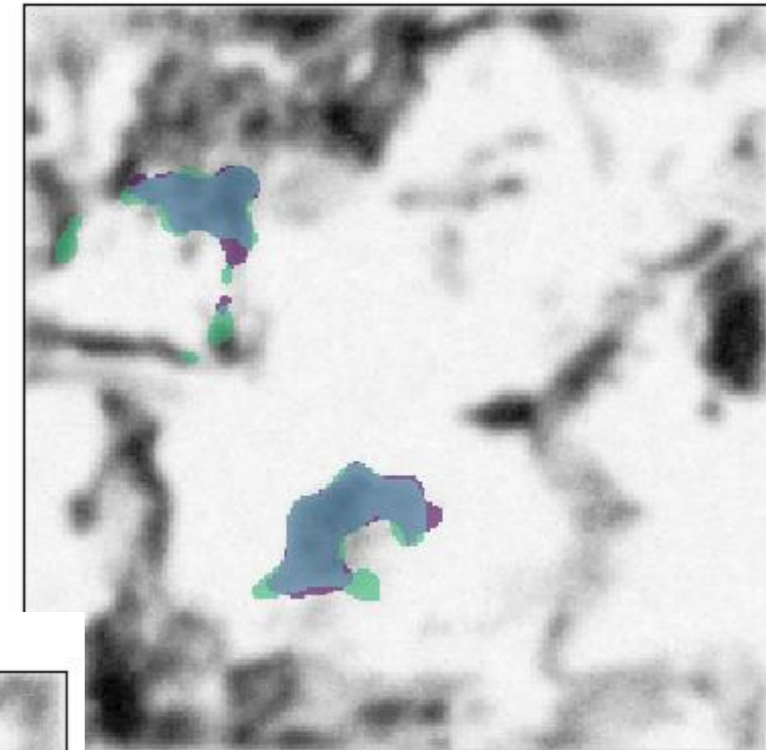
Prediction



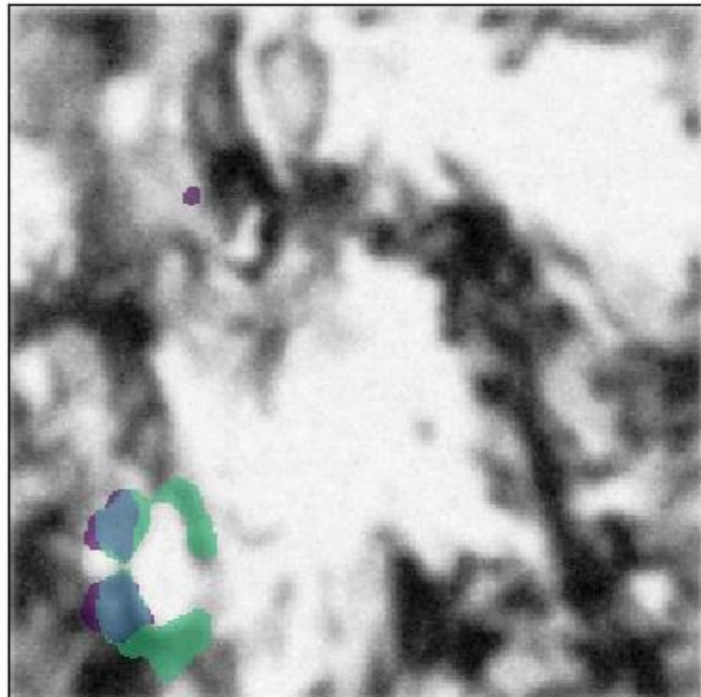
Test slice 5



Test slice 7



Test slice 15



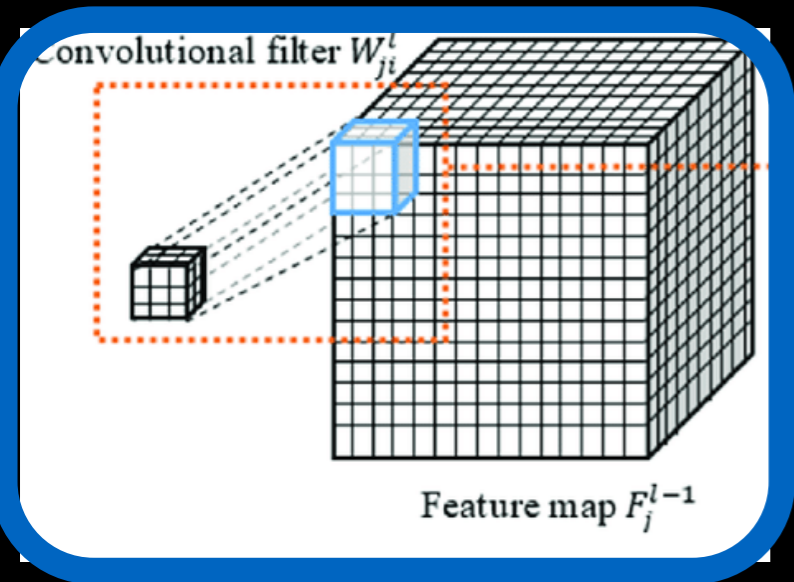
Simulation Testing

True Positive
False Positive
False Negative

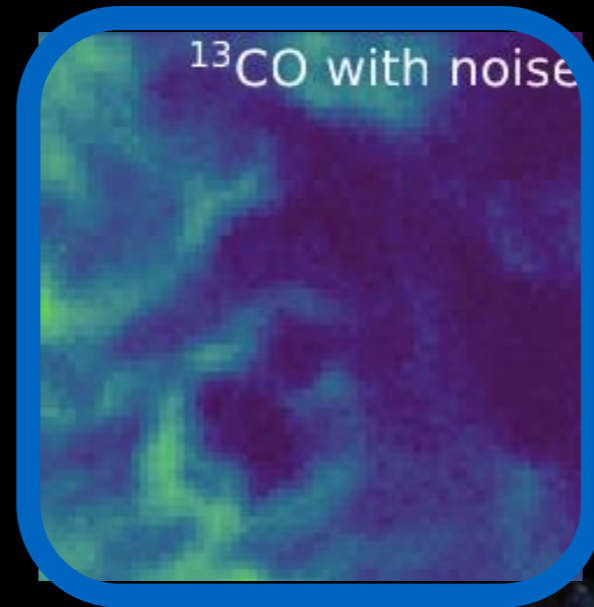
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Bubbles Expand! \Rightarrow CASI-3D

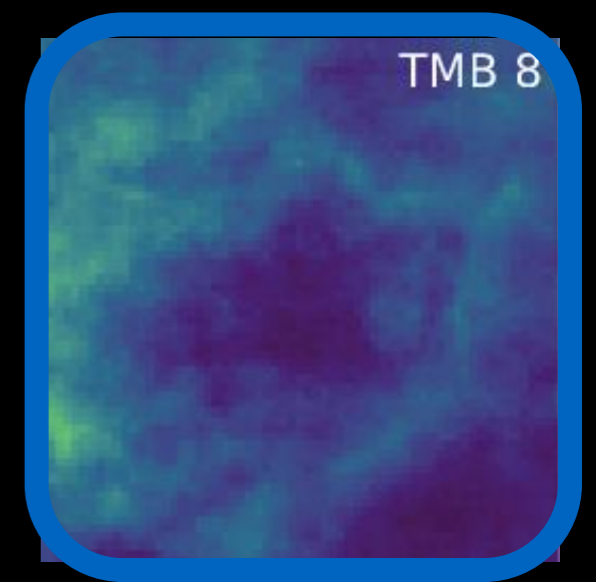
3D Convolution



Train on Simulations



Apply to Taurus cloud



Compare to visual identifications

跟「人眼」看到的比較

visual

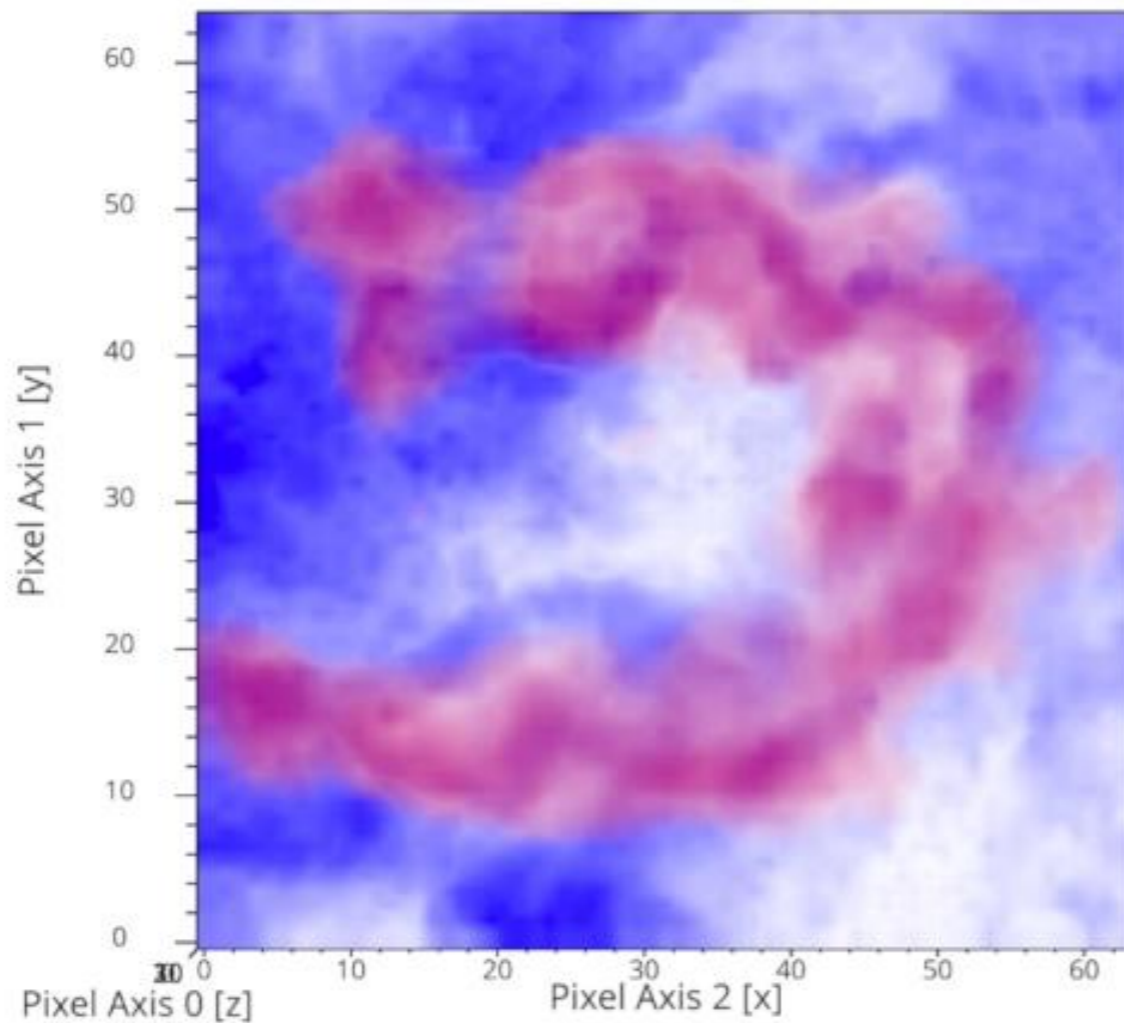
identifications

d=140 pc
Forming low-mass stars ($m^* < 3 M_{\text{sun}}$)
Mapped in ^{12}CO , ^{13}CO by FCRAO

Xu et al 2020a



Identification of Shell TMB8



Identifies
feedback with
pixel level
accuracy.

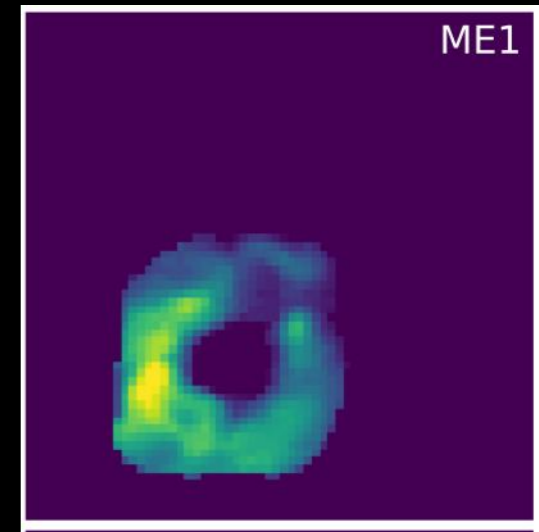
— ^{13}CO (1-0)
— CNN ID



A Tale of Two Models: ME1 & MF

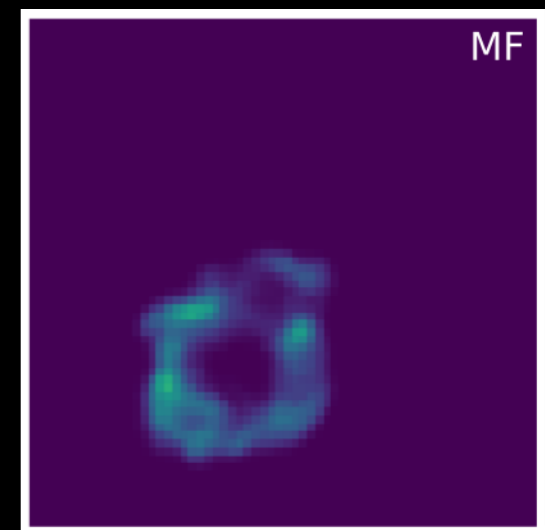
立體像素當中的全部輻射

- **ME1 trains on total emission in voxels that contain some feedback gas**
 - **Similar to how human visual identification works**



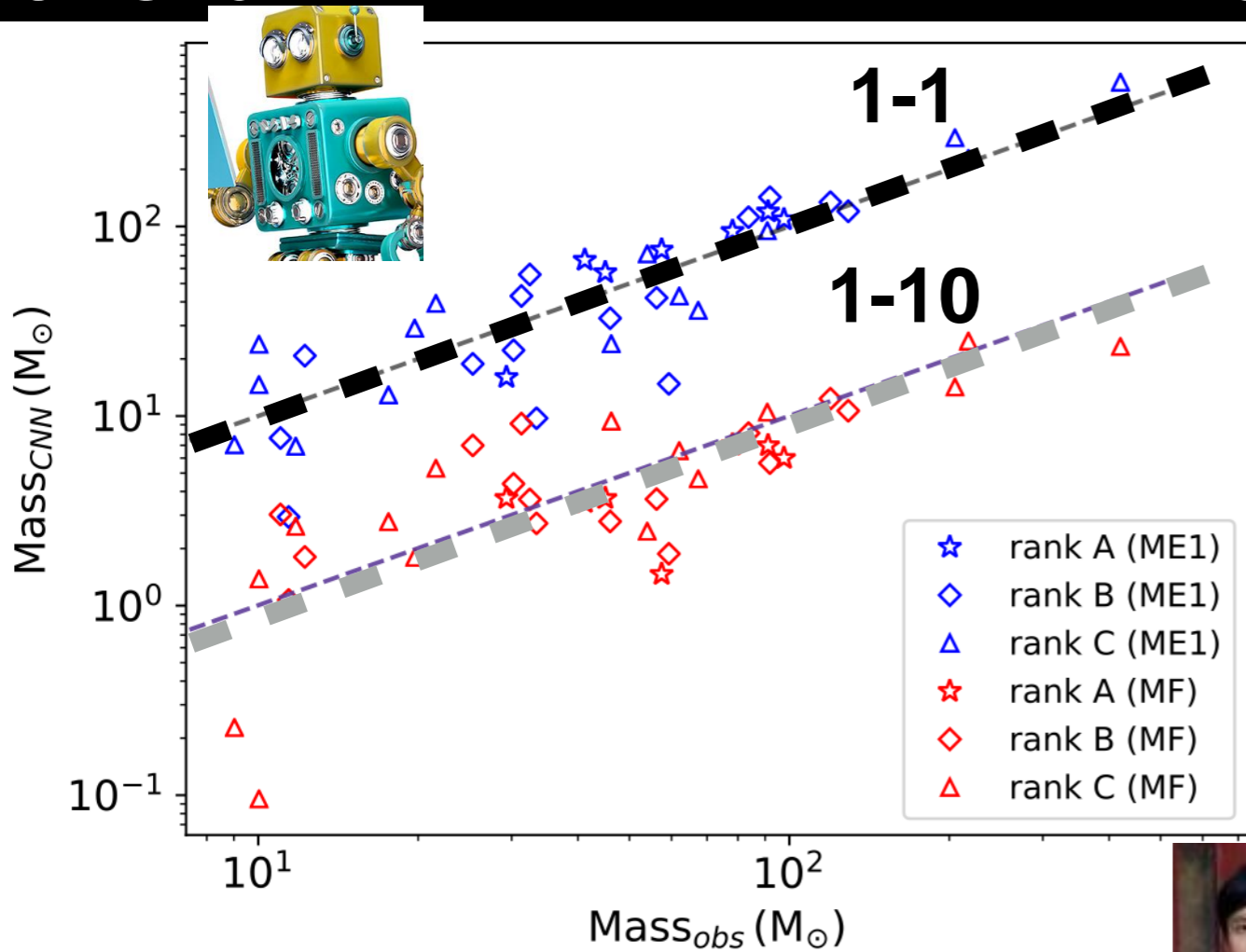
立體像素當中包含的質量

- **Model MF trains on the fraction of mass contained in voxels as mapped into spectral space**
 - **Learns mapping between emission and true feedback mass**

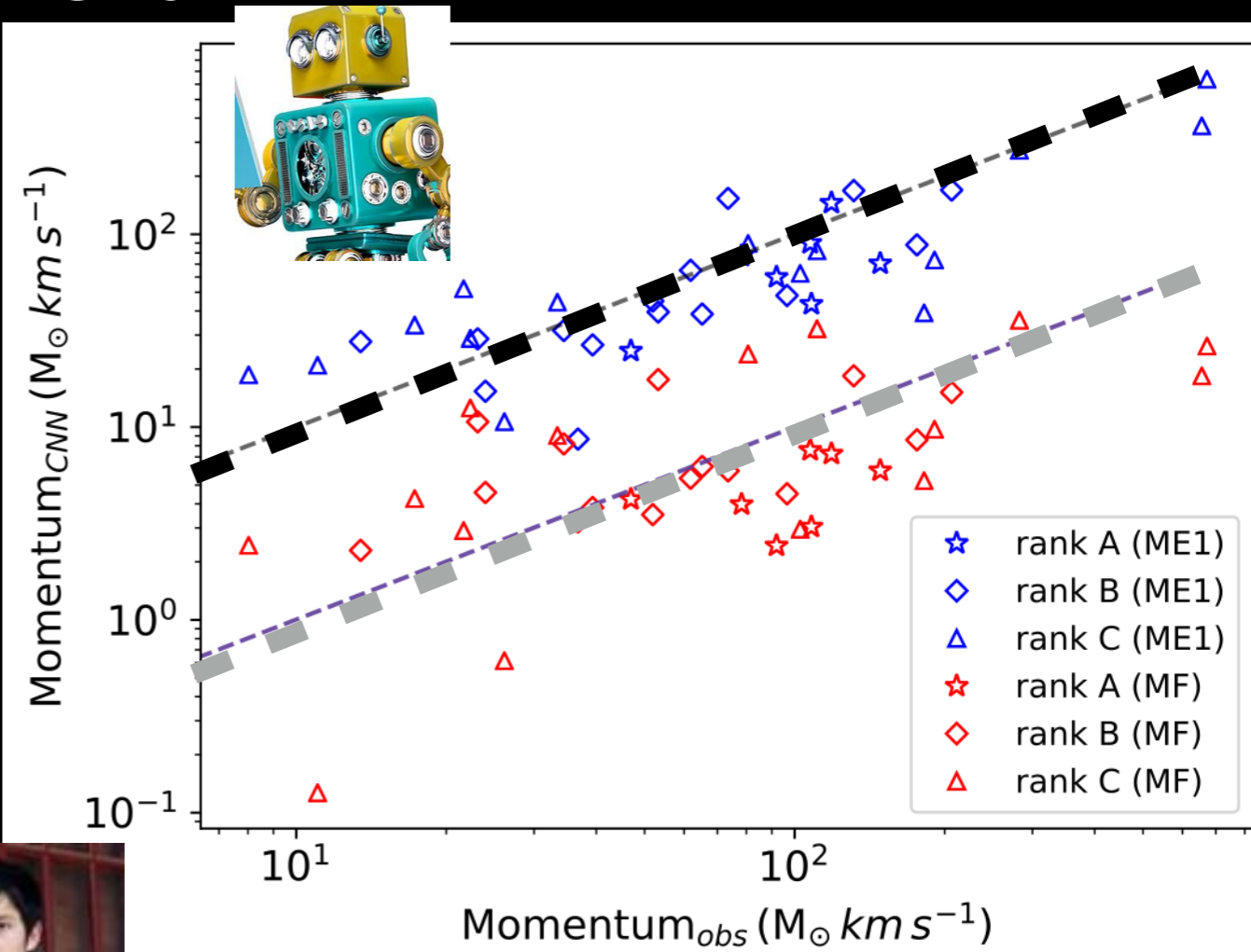


A Tale of Two Models: ME1 & MF

CASI-3D



CASI-3D



Mass of Human ID'd Shell



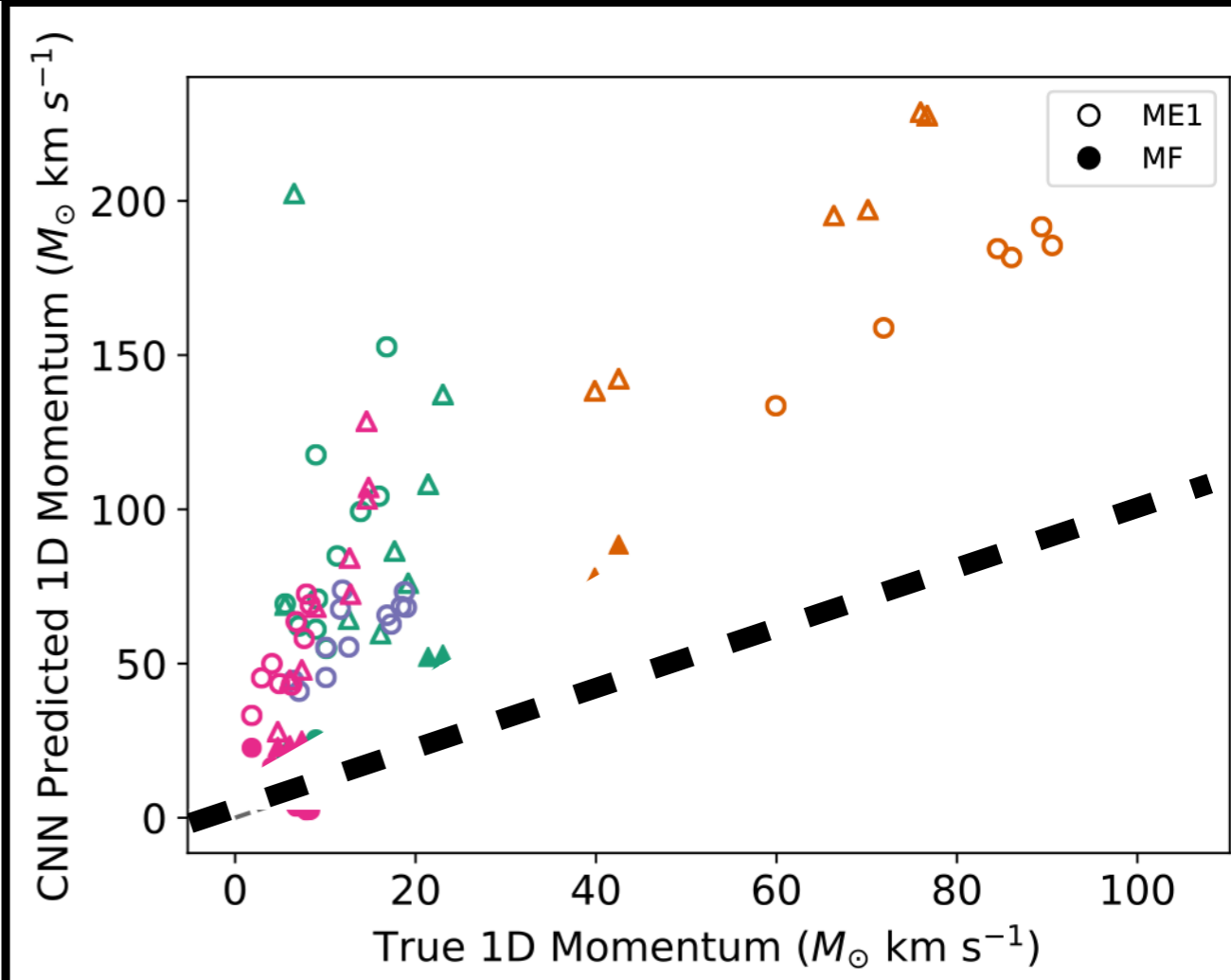
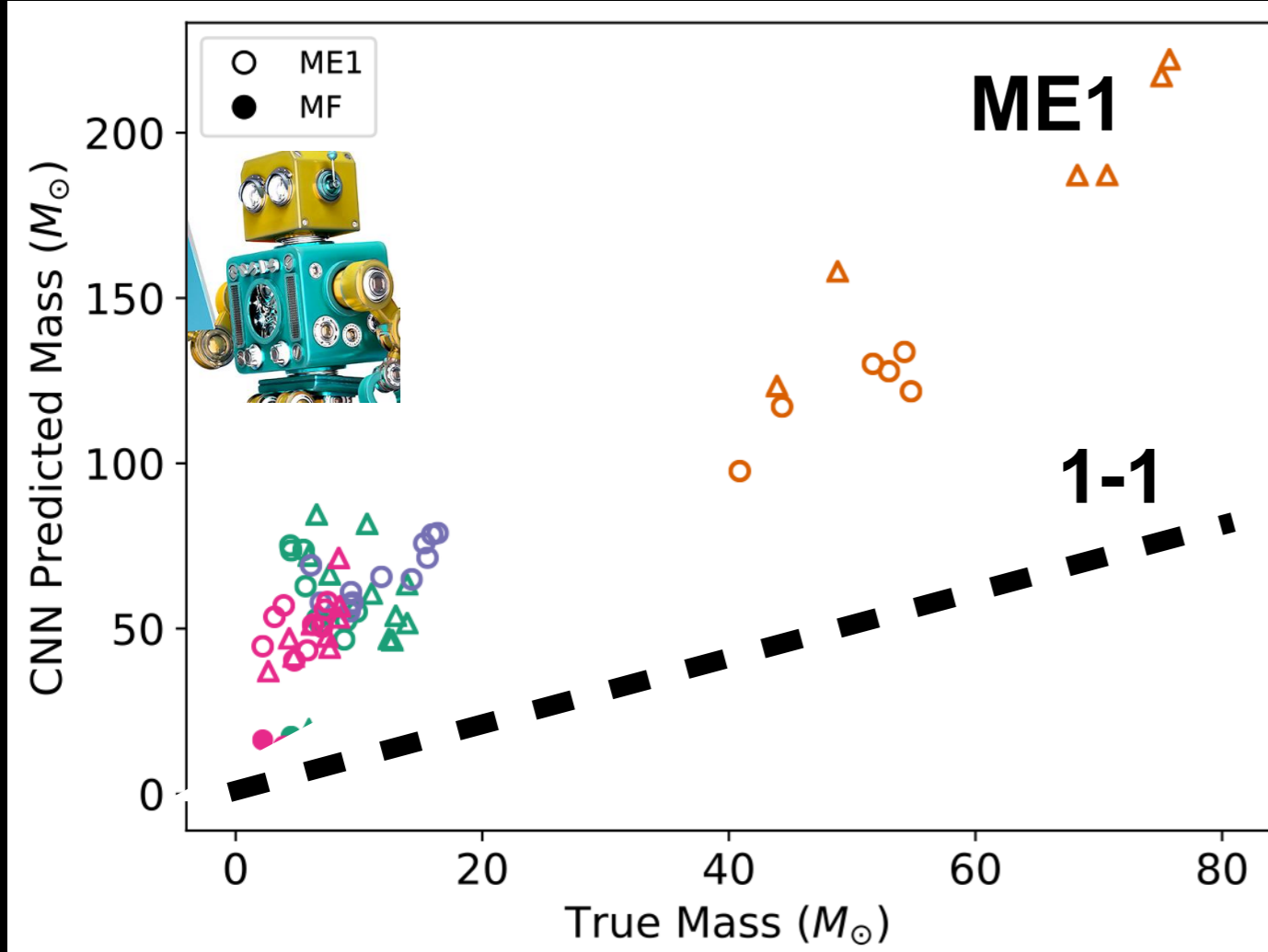
Mom. of Human ID'd Shell

- ME1 agrees very well with previous 'by eye' estimates.
- Model MF predicts 10x lower mass & momentum
- Which to believe??

兩種方式估計結果不同

Human Error

Xu et al 2020a



True Mass (Simulation)

True Momentum (Simulation)

- Line-of-sight emission not associated with feedback increases estimated mass and momentum by a factor of 10!

MF 經過學習，得到正確的質量與動量結果不同

- CASI-3D ME1 represents how humans find bubbles.

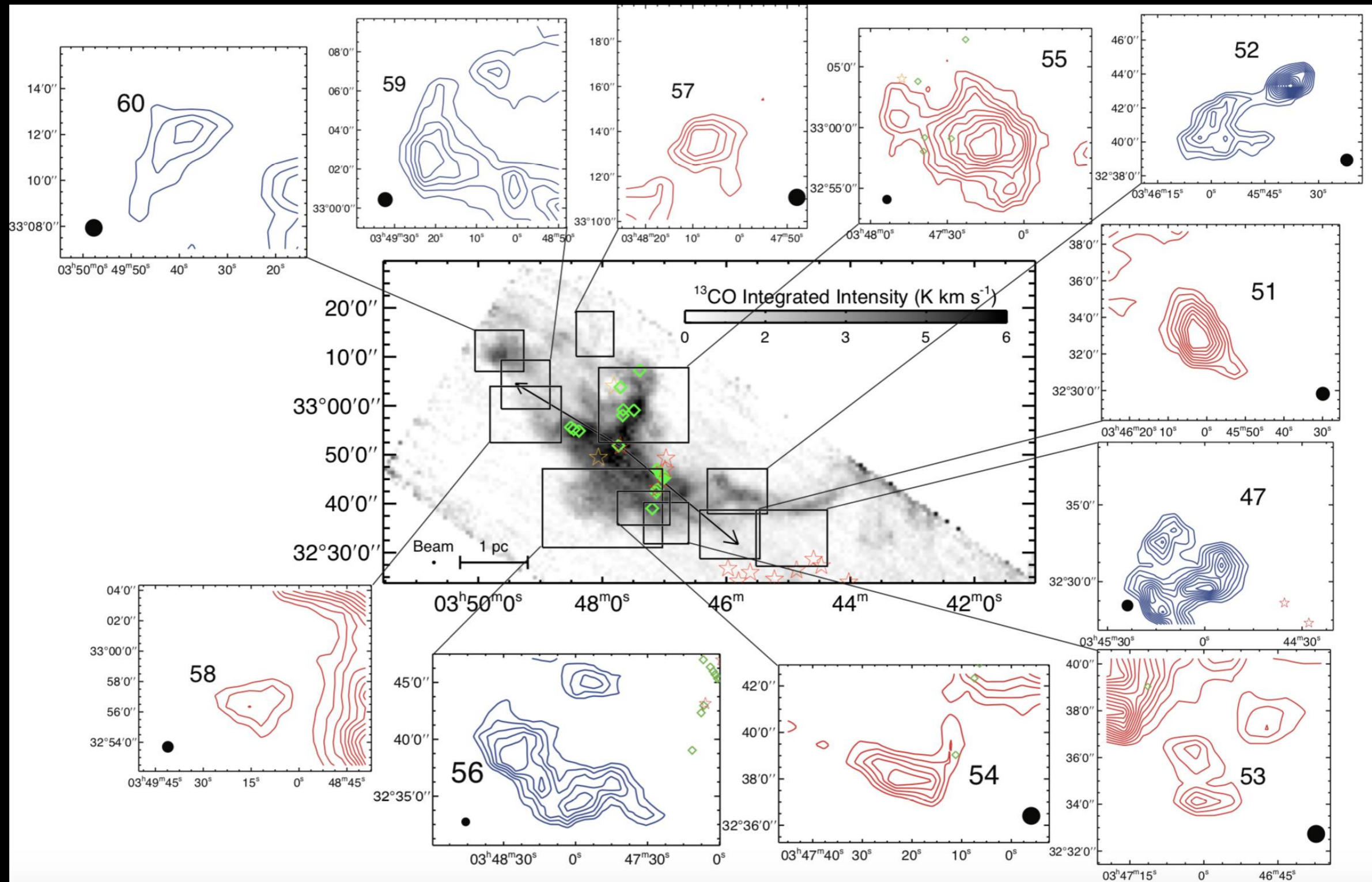


Protostellar Outflows

應用在指認原恆星的噴流

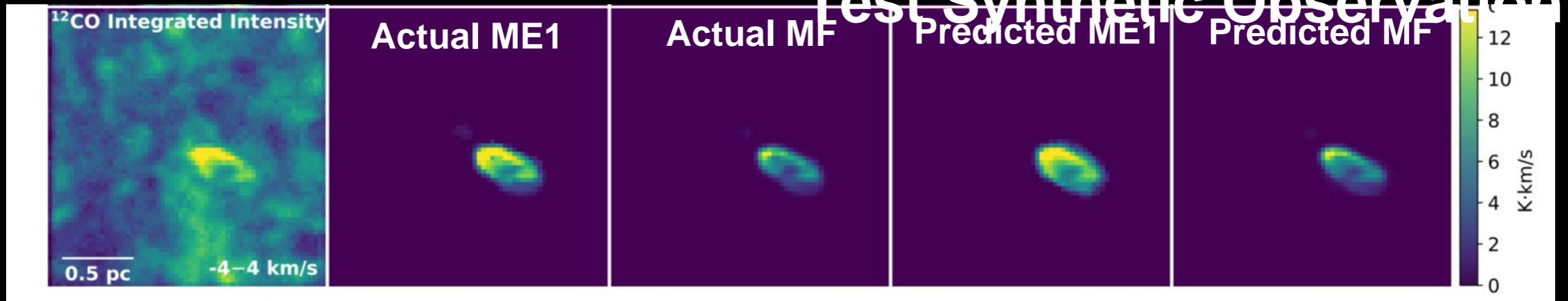
Human-Identified Outflows

Arce et al. 2010

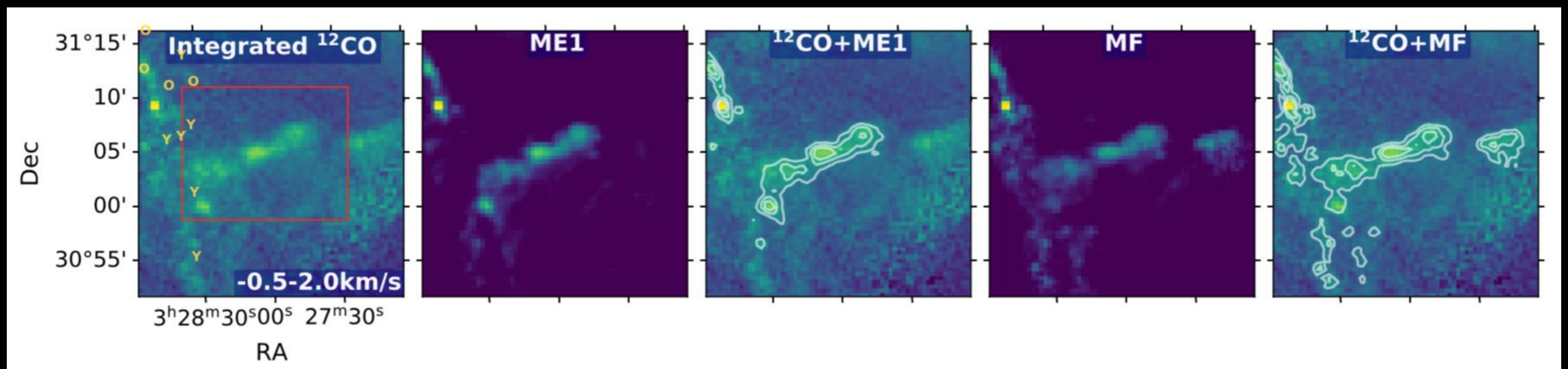


Re-Train CASI-3D for Outflows

Xu et al 2020b



Actual Perseus Outflow



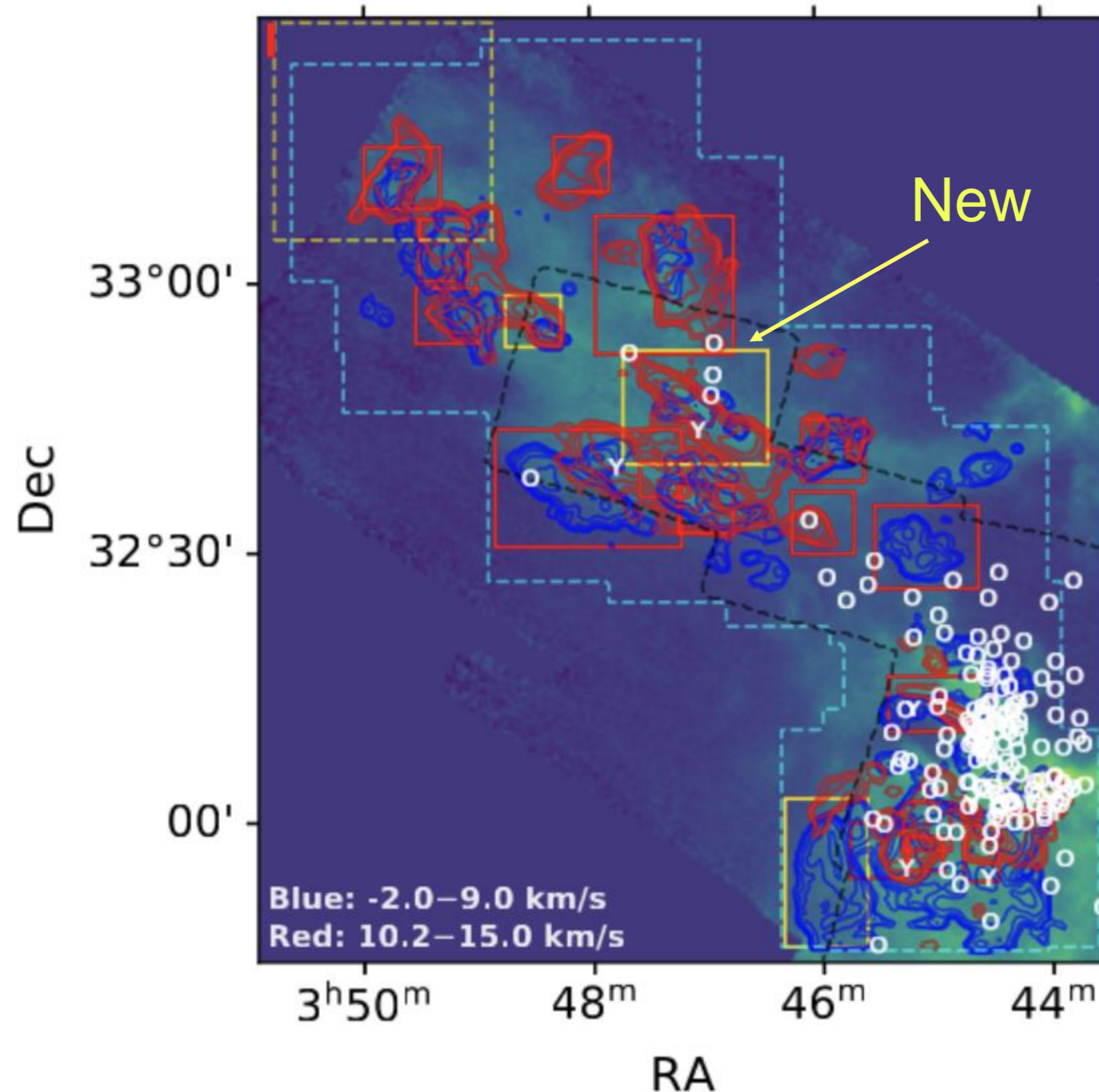


Protostellar Outflows

機器學習找到的噴流

Machine-Identified Outflows

- Identifies all 60 known visually identified outflows
已知60個全找到
- Identifies 20 new outflows!
另發現20個
- Identifies outflows in confused regions!
即使在複雜區域...



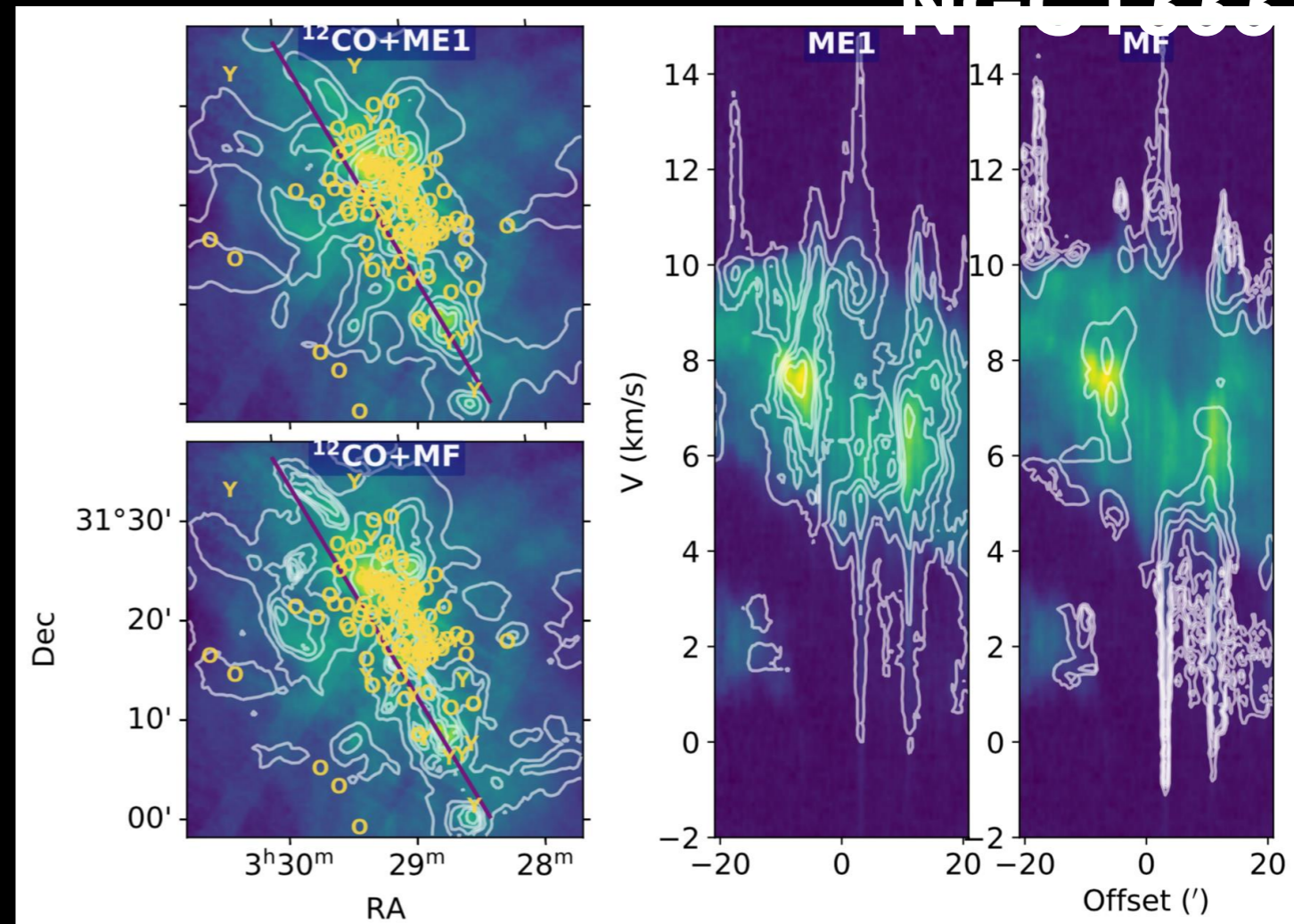
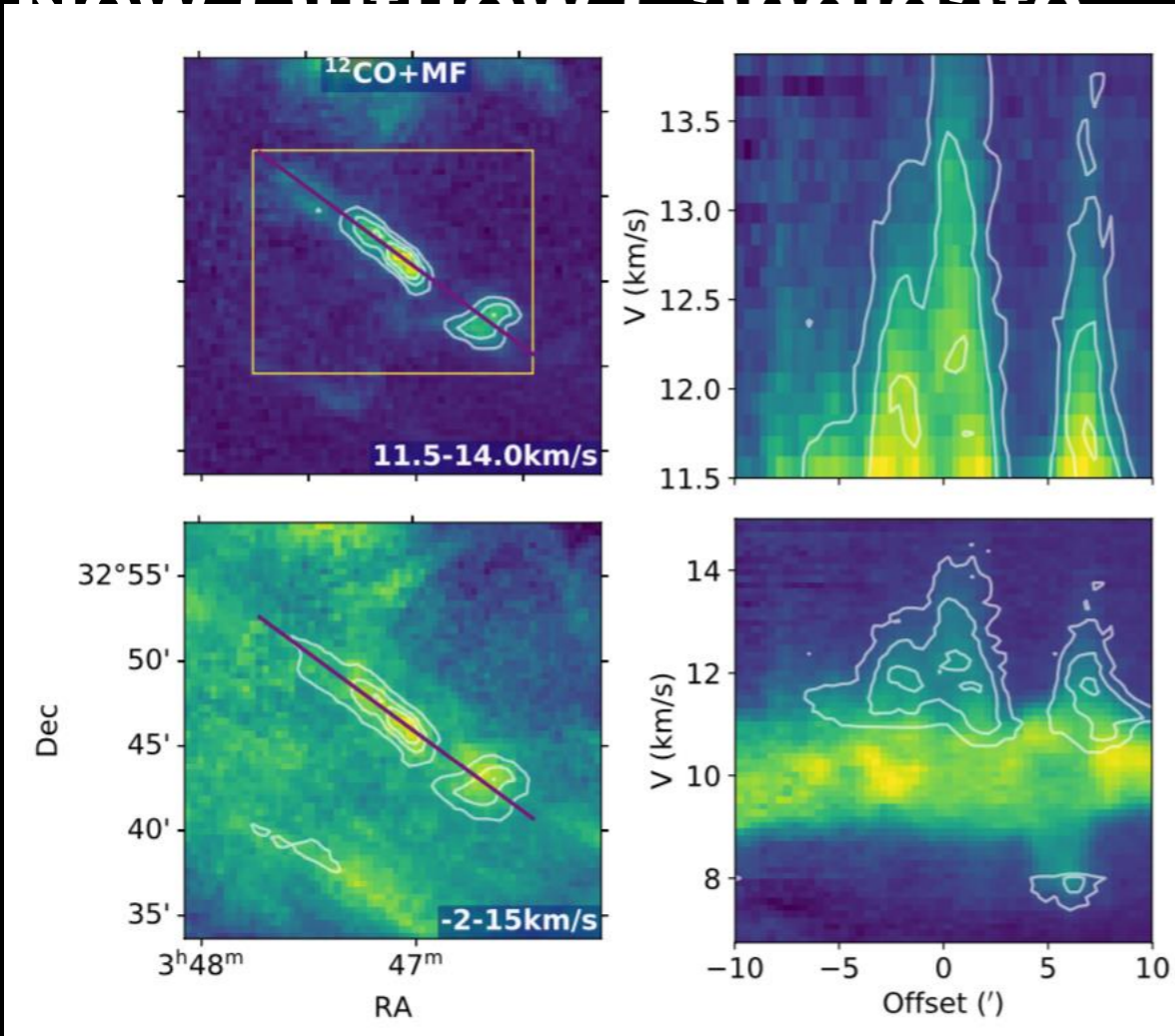
Y = young star
O = older young star

Cluster
With ~100
young stars

Protostellar Outflows

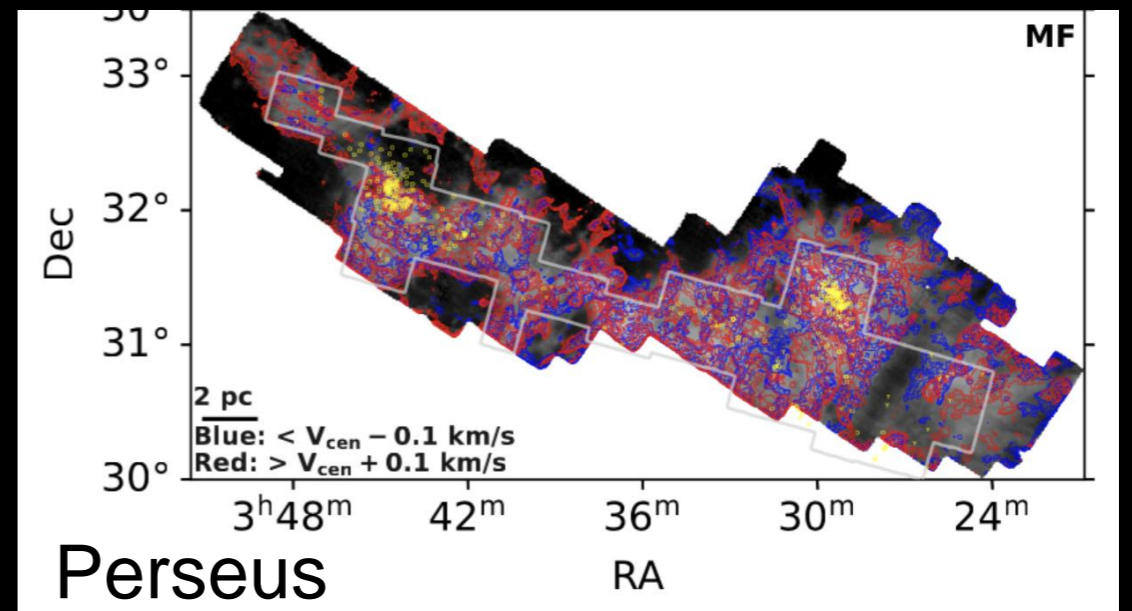
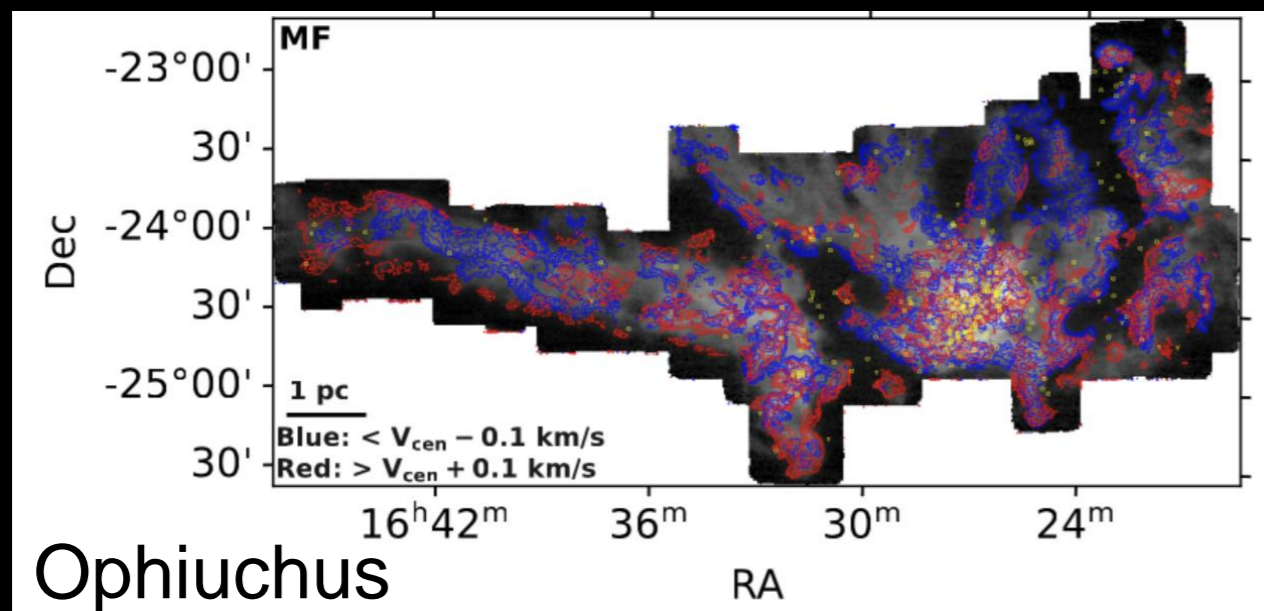
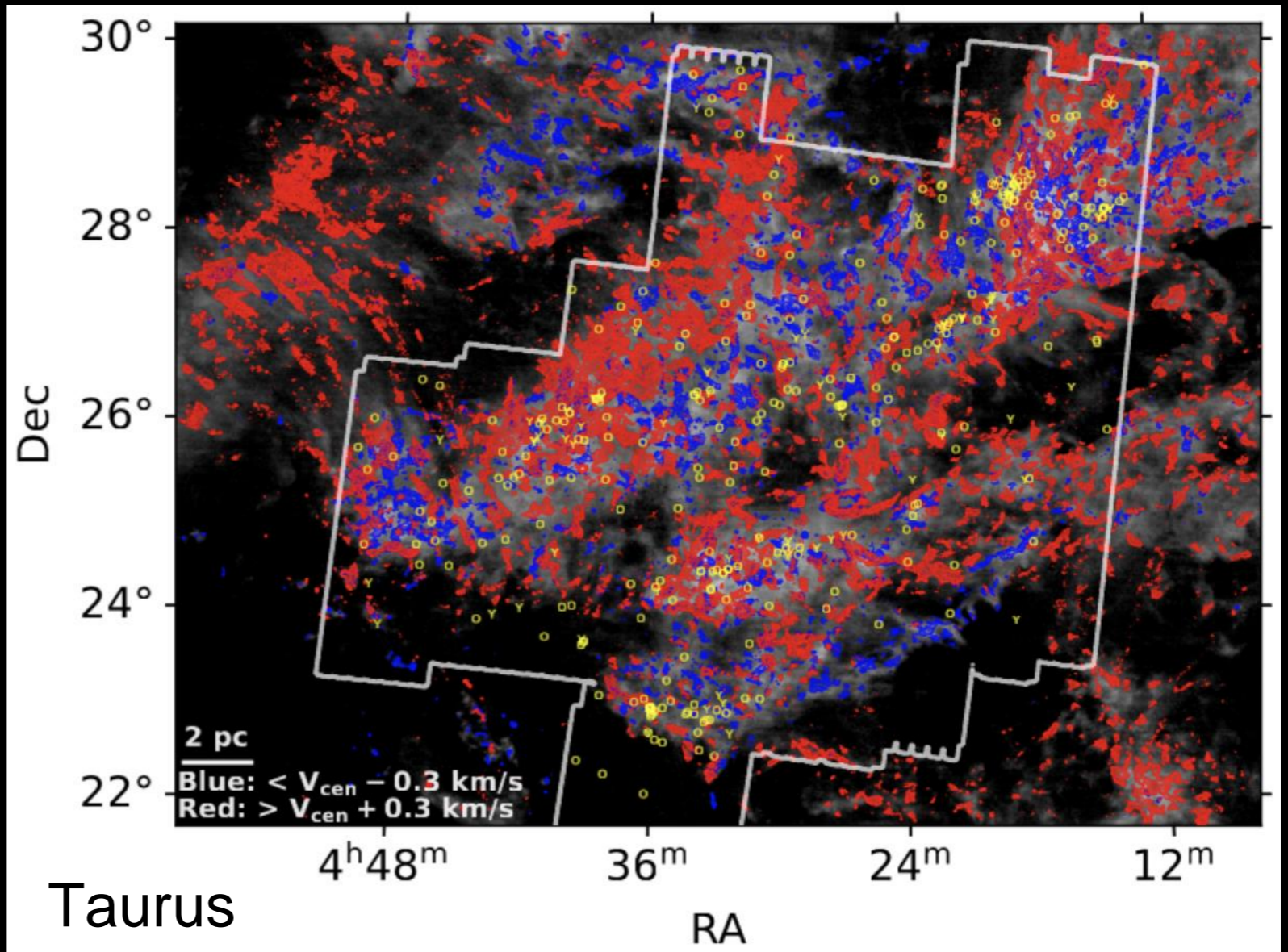
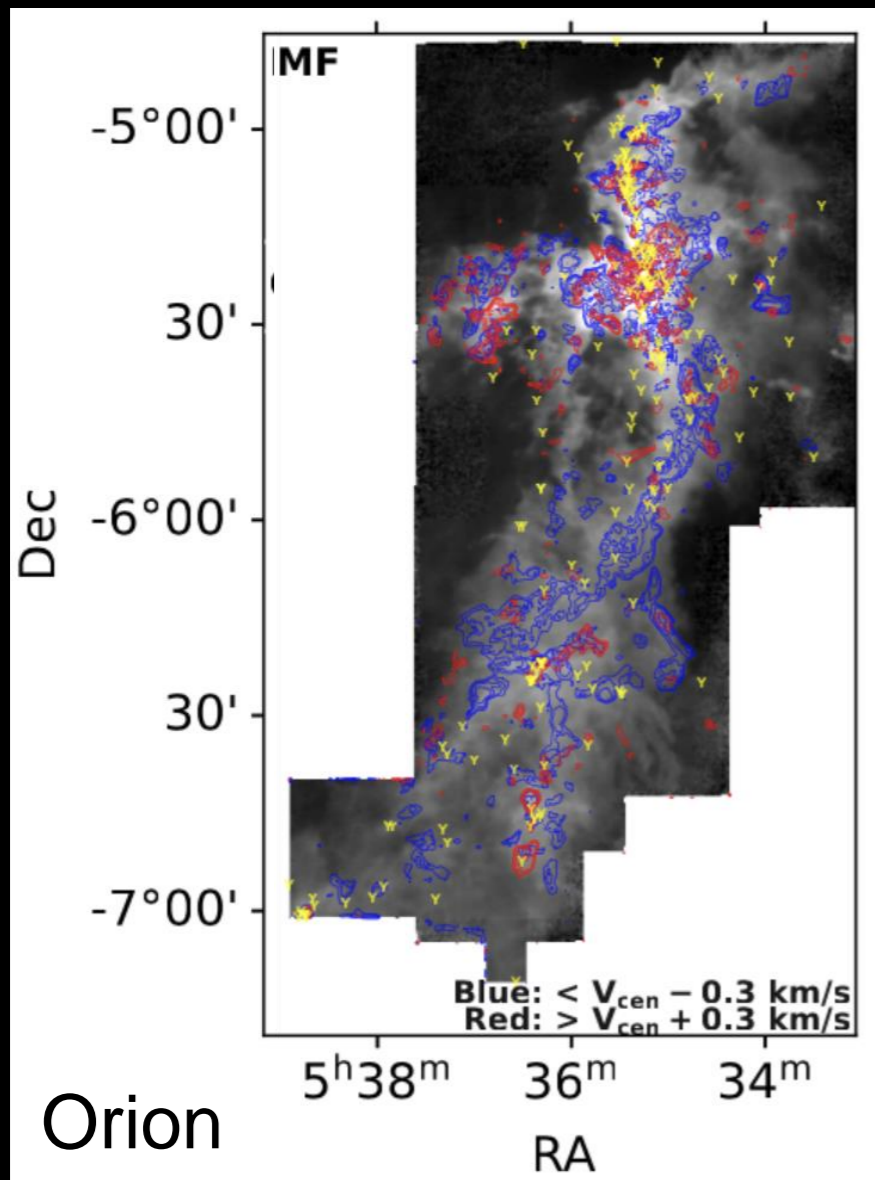
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New Outflow Candidate



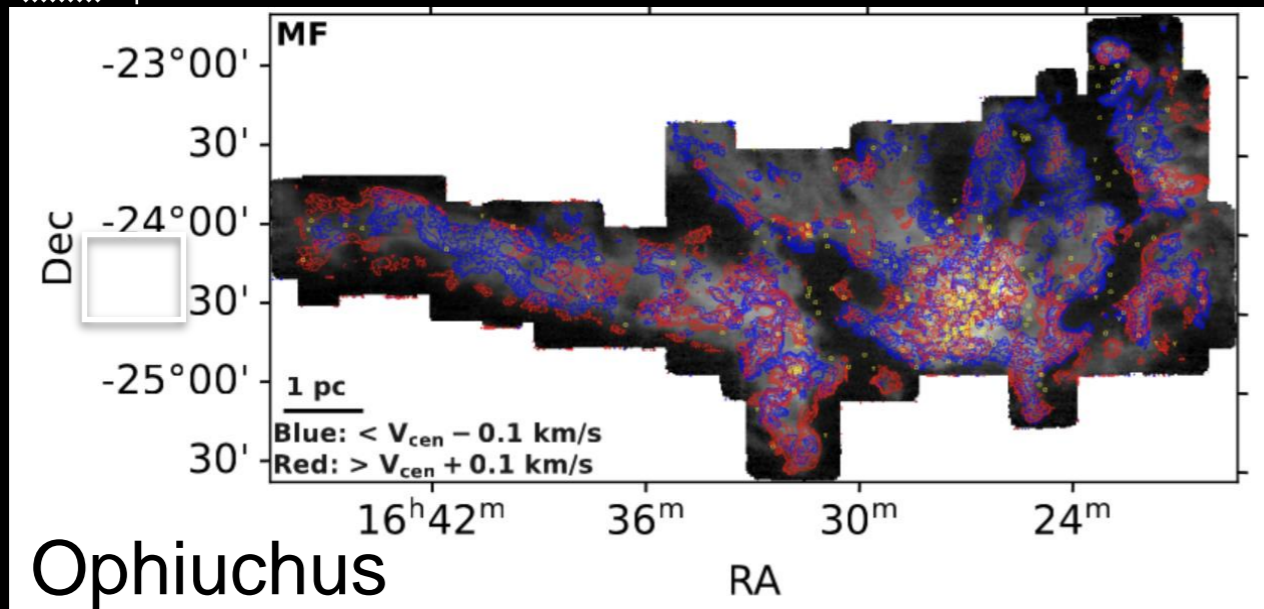
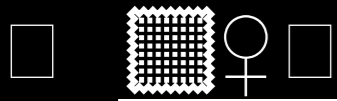
- Excludes most cloud emission; allows more exact mass, momentum and energy estimates.
- Properties of individual outflows are similar due to cancelation of errors but total outflow impact is underestimated by at least 30% (missing outflows).

Cloud Outflow Survey

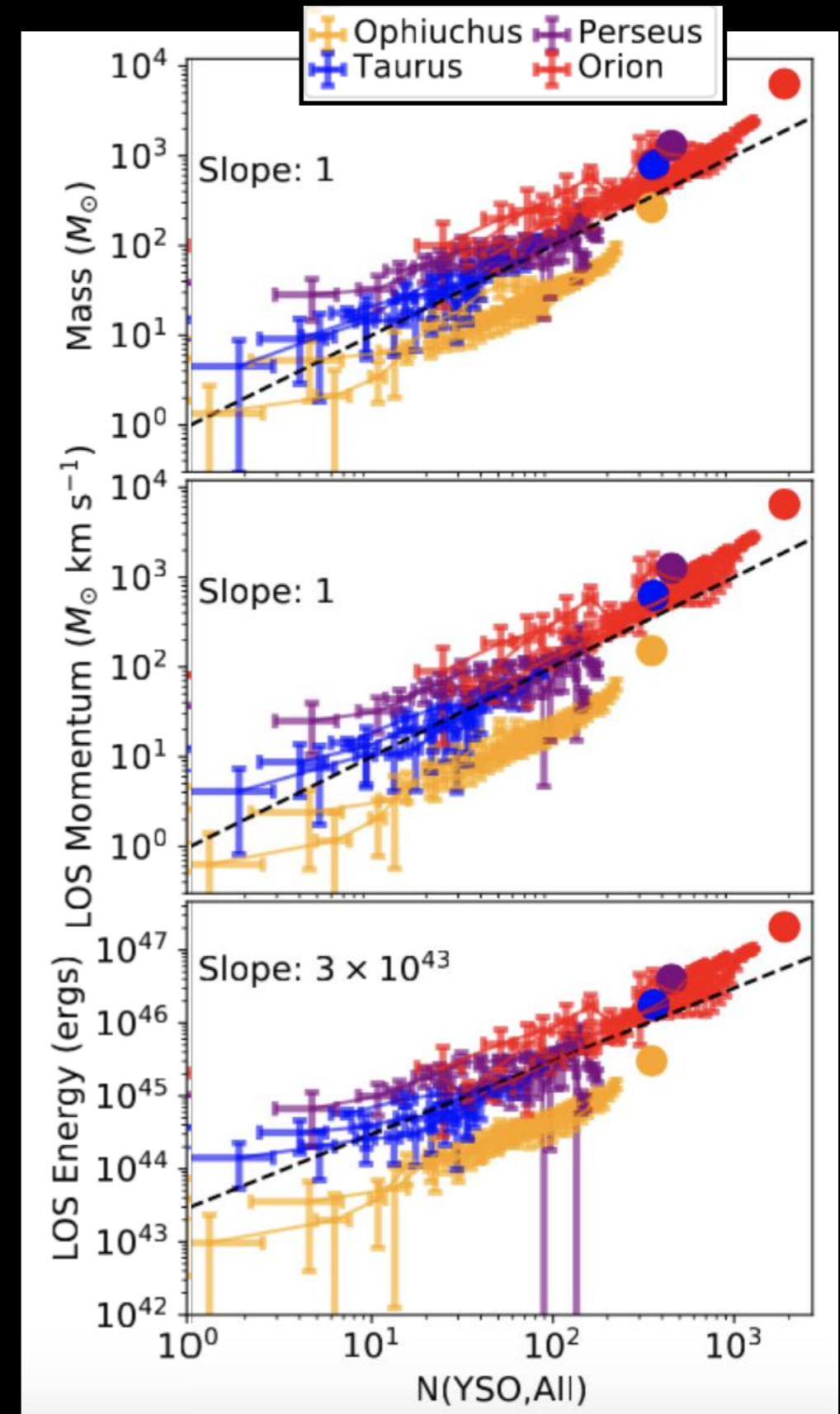


Feedback Scales with NYSO

- All follow same feedback-young stellar object (YSO) relationship
- $\sim 1 M_{\text{sun}}$ outflow mass per YSO
- $\sim 1 M_{\text{sun}} \text{ km/s}$ outflow momentum per YSO 每顆年輕恆星噴出1個太陽質量的物質以及1 $M_{\text{sun}} \text{ km/s}$ 的動量
- Energy injection offsets turbulent dissipation in all 4 regions 提供的能量足夠湍流消耗
- Ophiuchus is under-performing 但蛇夫座恆星形成區稍有不足



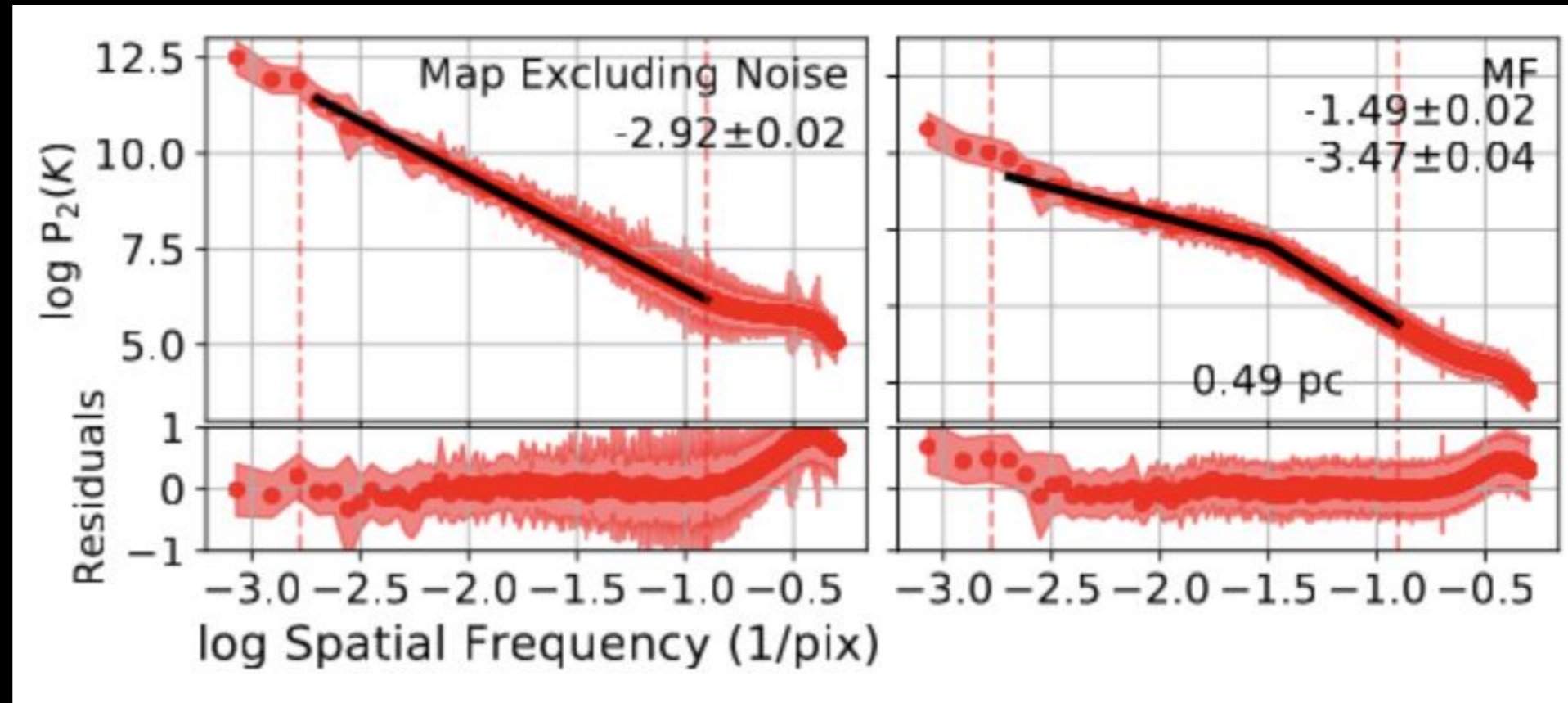
Xu et al. 2022



Characteristic Input Scale

Spatial Power Spectrum (SPS)

Xu et al 2022



- SPS of the outflow emission shows a break in all 4 clouds
- Interpretation: outflow size and momentum injection scale
- Break point ranges from 0.27 pc (Orion) - 0.65 pc (Perseus)

Star Formation is Messy

- Protostellar outflows are important in clouds from Taurus to Orion
- Feedback can offset turbulent dissipation: star-forming regions can self-regulate
 - ▶ Young stars influence their forming neighbors
 - ▶ Star formation lasts longer...
- Astronomers can move beyond catalogs (and visual inspection!) to 3D images

以致於延長了恆星形成的時間尺度

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Credit: NASA, ESA

What's next?

STAR FORMation in Gaseous Environments (STARFORGE)

Grudic et al. 2021, Guszejnov et al. 2021, Grudic et al. 2022

Conclusions

- CASI-3D is a general CNN method:
 - Can be used to identify structure in spectral cubes
 - Can be used to estimate observational biases like radiative transfer effects / opacity & projection effects
- Feedback is everywhere in star-forming clouds
- Previous bubble/wind feedback impact over-estimated (mass and momentum lower by a factor of 10!)
之前高估了恆星風回饋的影響
- Previous outflow feedback impact under-estimated due to missing at least 30% of outflow activity
而低估了恆星噴流的影響
- Impact is significant compared to cloud kinetic energy

Thank you!

<https://gitlab.com/casi-project/casi-2d>

<https://gitlab.com/casi-project/casi-3d>

Predicting Fluid Flow Through Porous Media

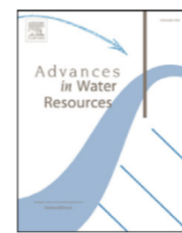
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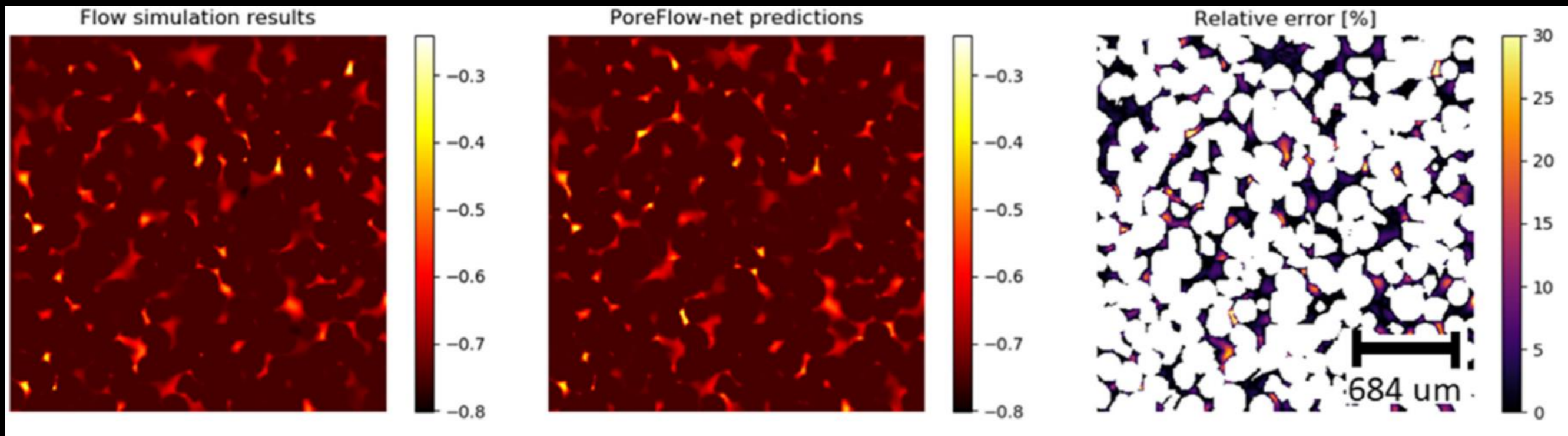
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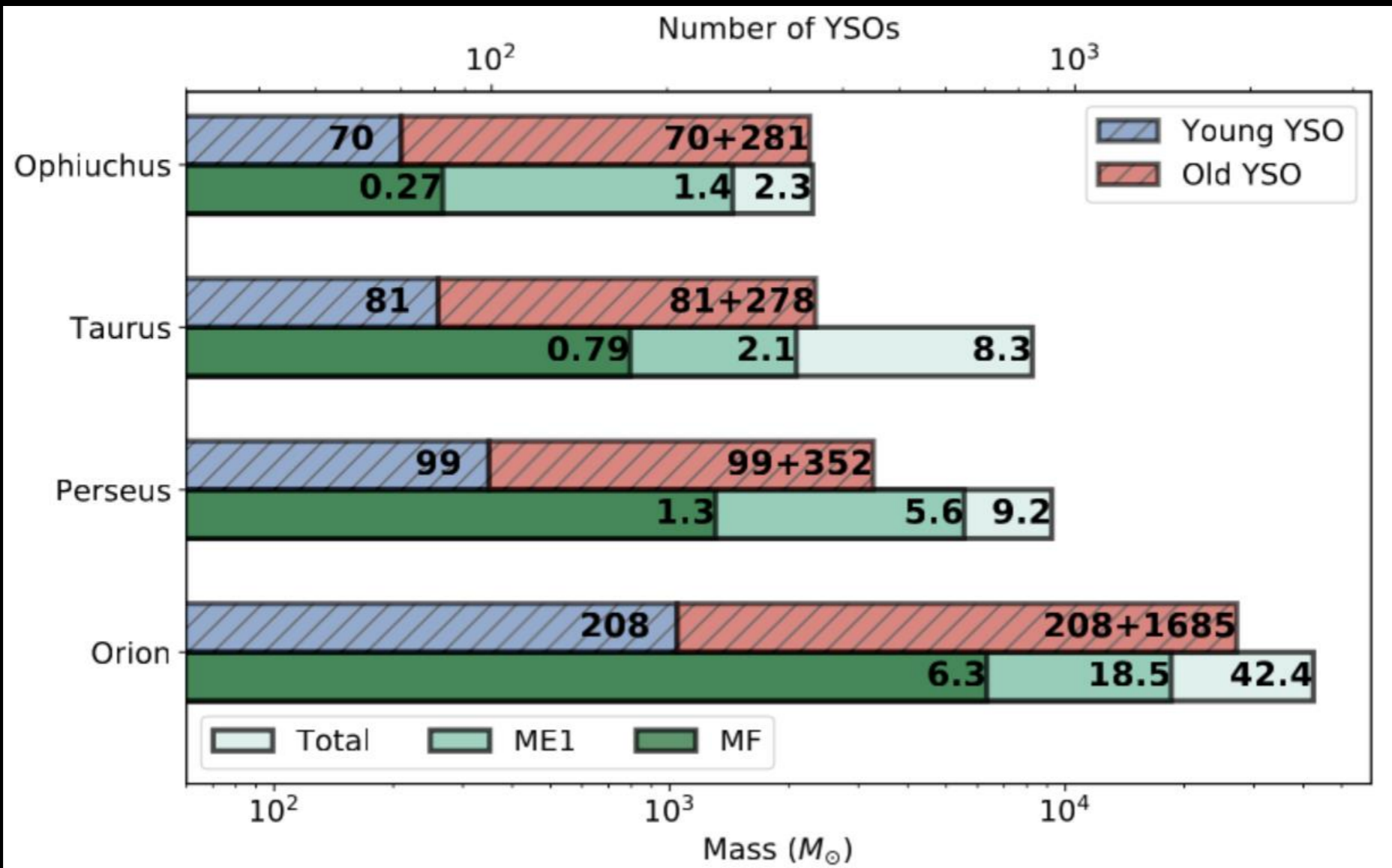
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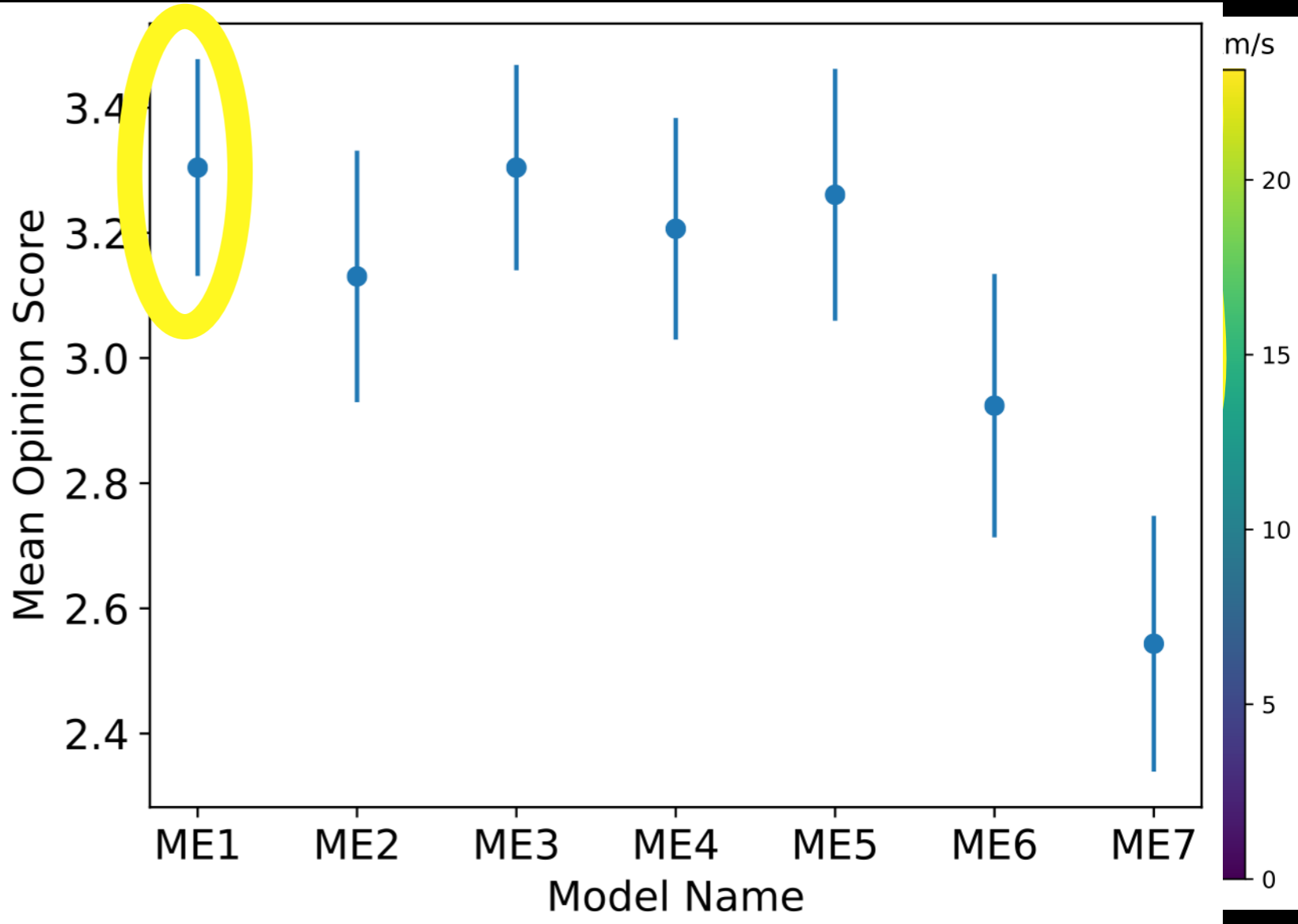
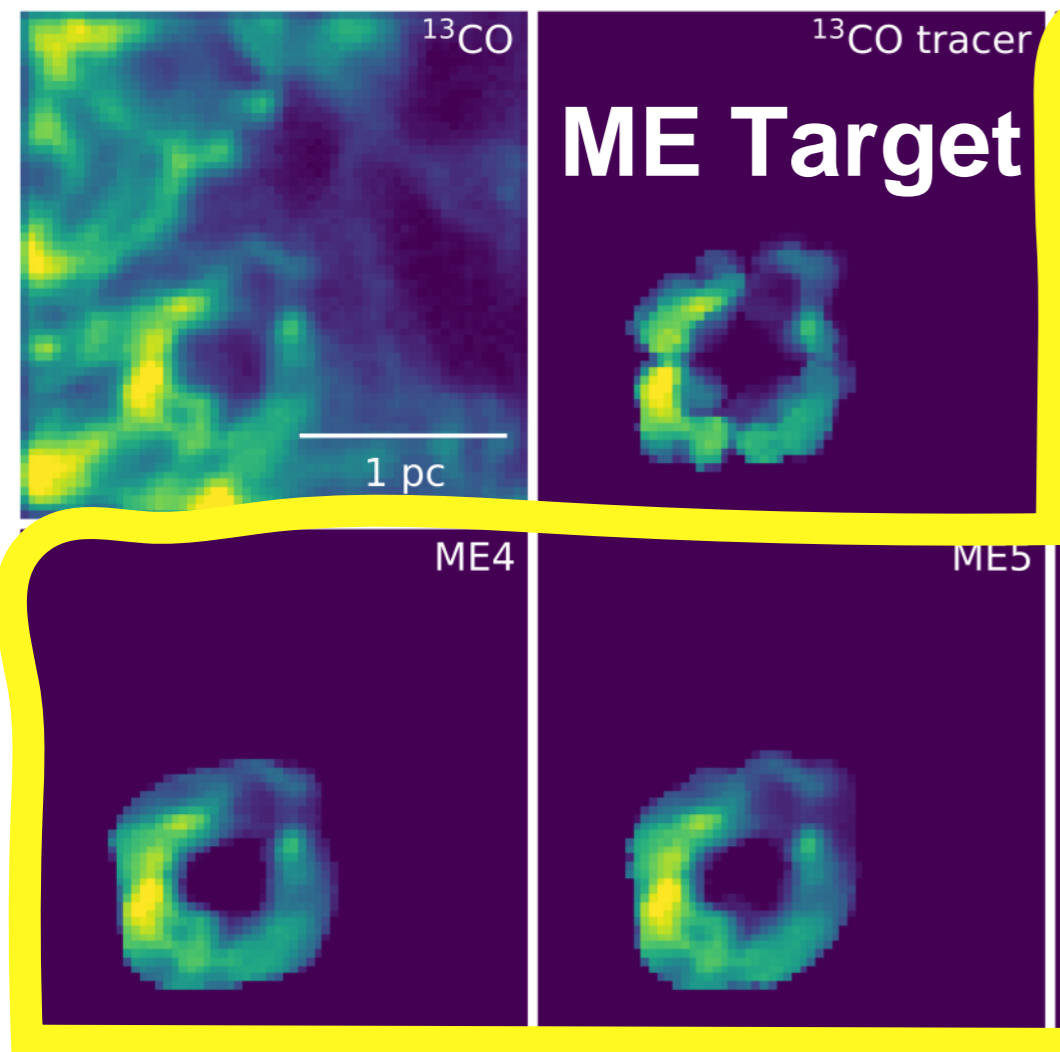
PoreFlow-Net
Santos, Xu et al 2020



- Accurate flow predictions in less than 1sec
- Results for granular rocks, carbonates and “consolidated media”
- “shows the successful application of a disruptive technology (physics-based training of machine learning models) to the digital rock physics community”



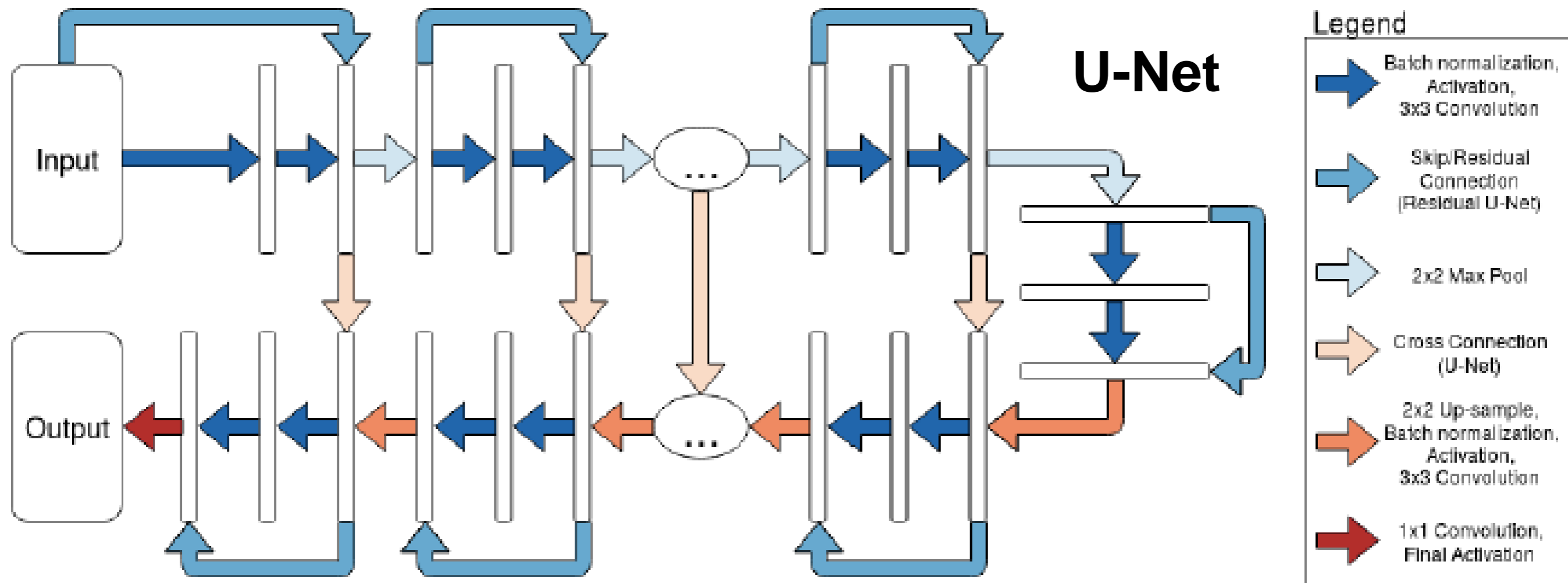
CASI-3D Models



- Evaluate hyper-parameter choices & training sets
- Models ME1-ME7 train on emission associated with feedback
- Use Mean Opinion Score to test performance on observed data.

5: Excellent
 4: Good
 3: Average
 2: Fair
 1: Poor

Convolutional Approach to Shell Identification (CASI)



- U-Net architecture
- 4 residual blocks
- Mean squared error loss function
- Input image is 256^2
- 200 epochs, $< \sim 5\%$ convergence
- Data: 1/3 training, 1/3 validating, 1/3 testing

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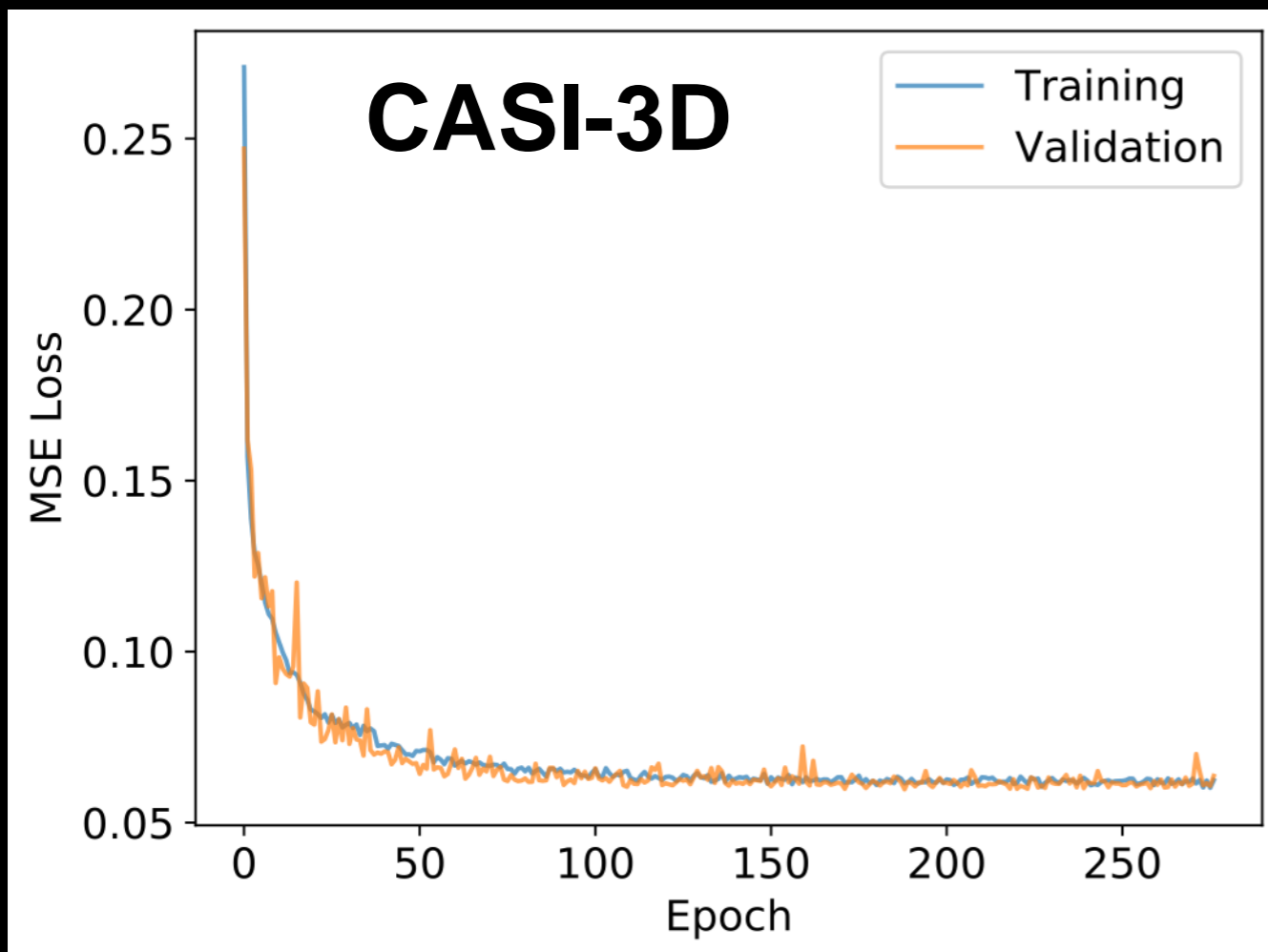
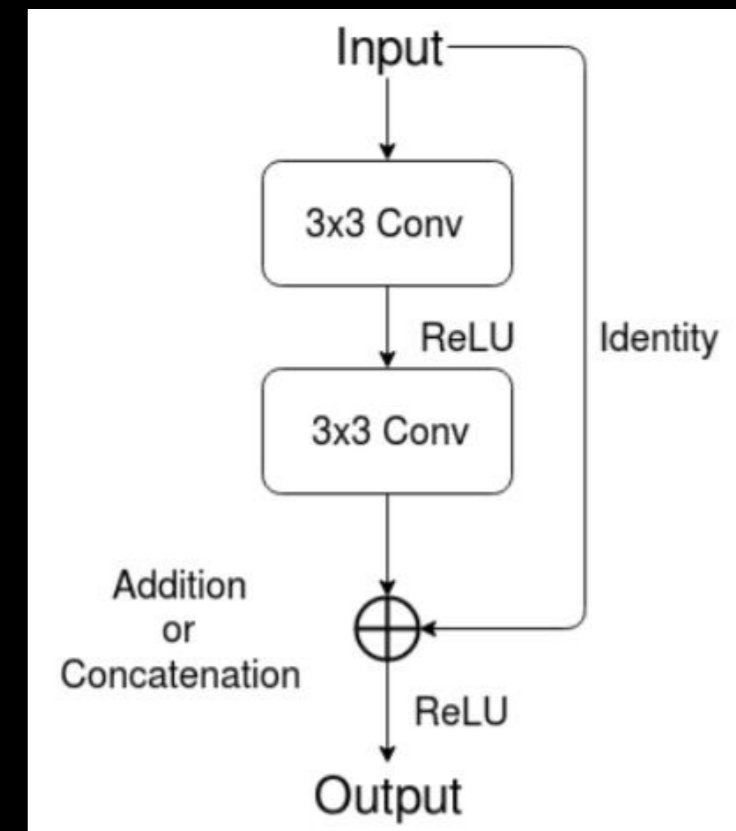
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CNN Details

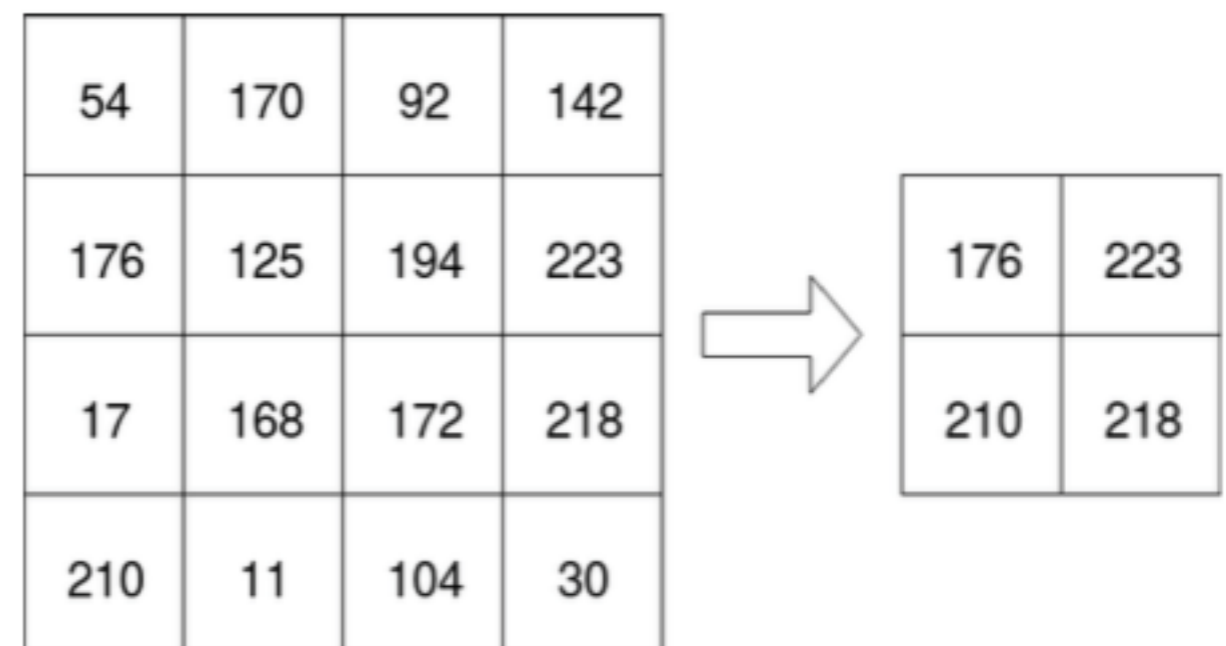
Table 1. Network Hyper-Parameters^a

Name	Definition	Symbol
Depth	Blocks in the compressive/decompressive legs.	D
Number of Filters	Filter allotted for each convolution operation.	F
Batch Size	Samples provided at each training iteration.	B
Noise Strength	Standard deviation of the white Gaussian noise applied to network inputs.	σ

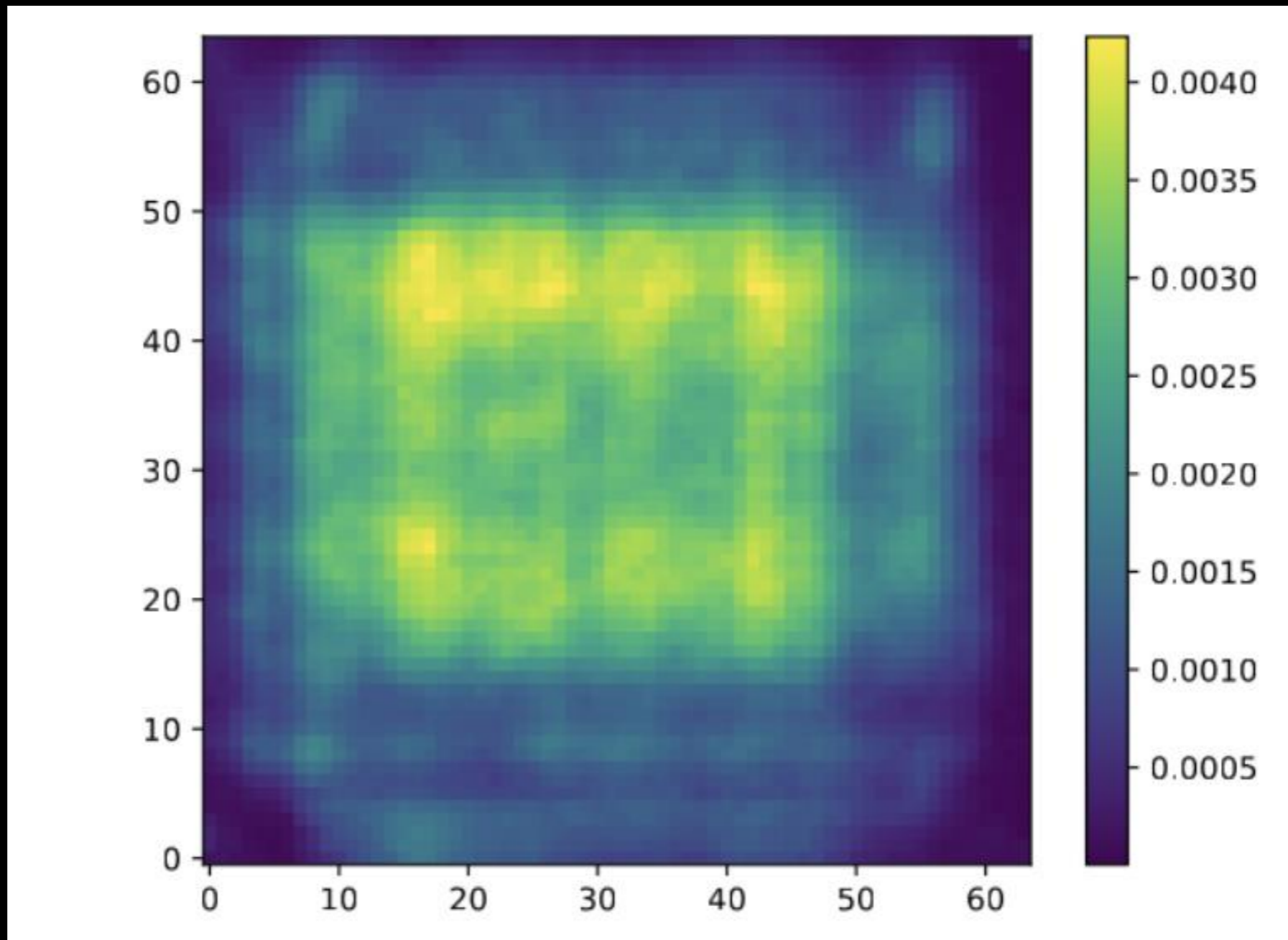
Basic Residual Block



Max pooling



CASI-3D Window Sensitivity



The integrated response of a voxel in the cube: the fraction of voxels predicted to be associated with feedback in the same position in the stack of cubes summed over all velocity channels.

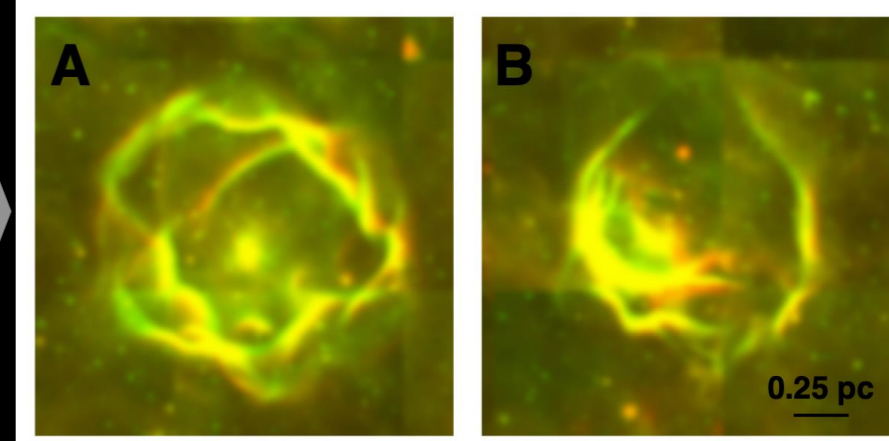
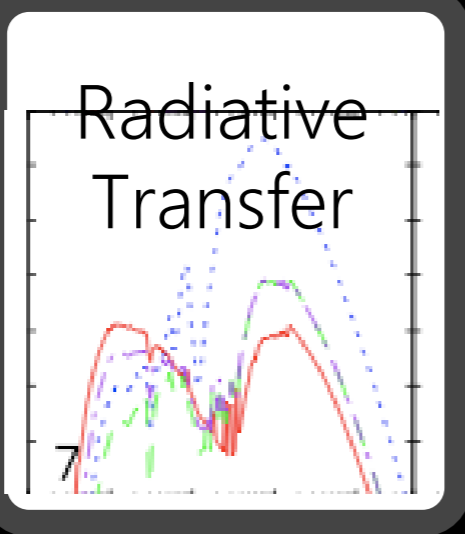
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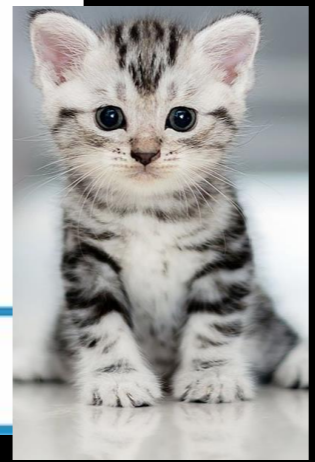
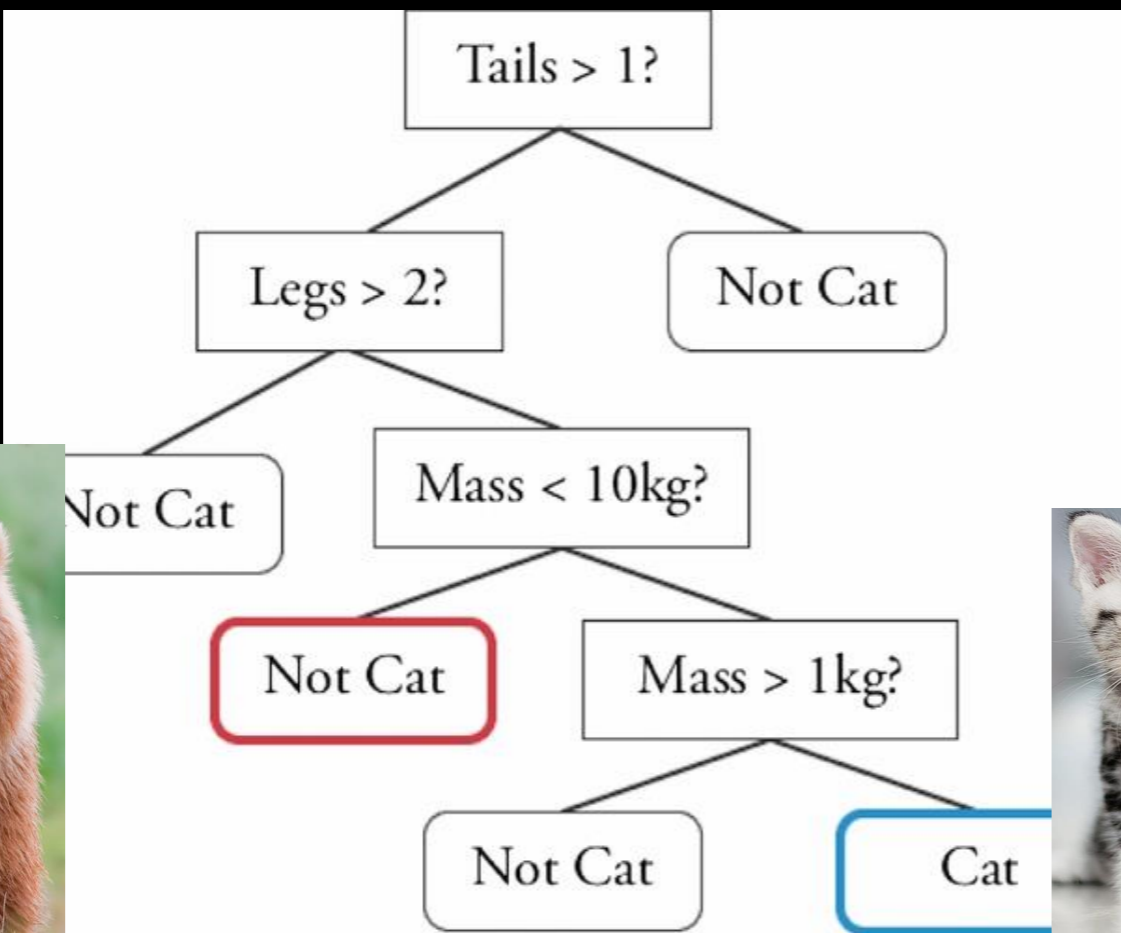
Synthetic Observations

Training Set

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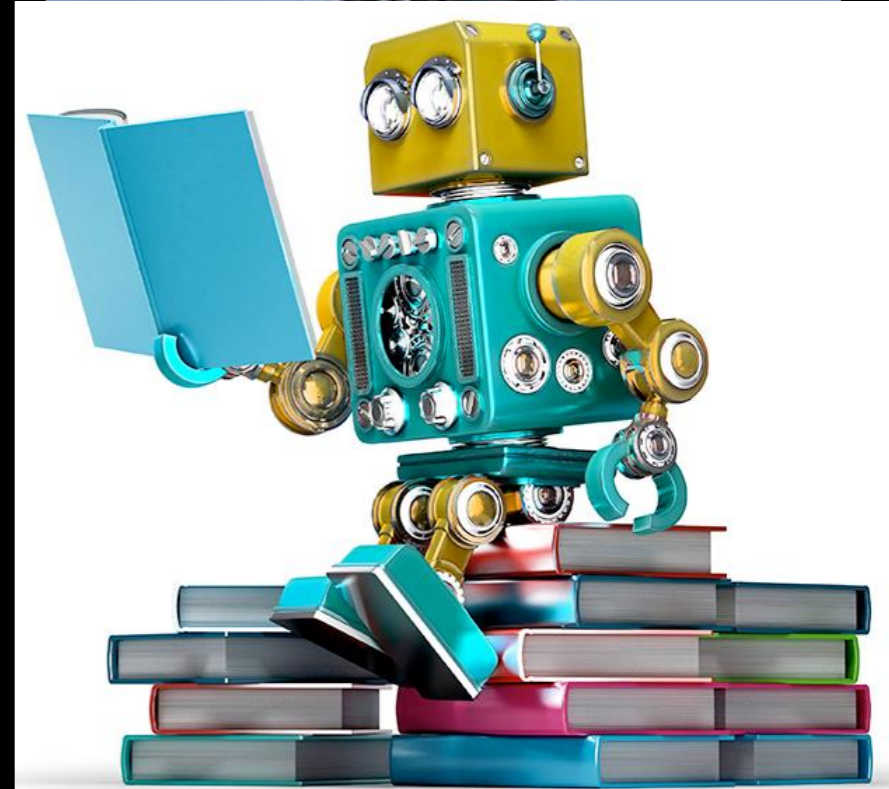


“Random Forest” Approach



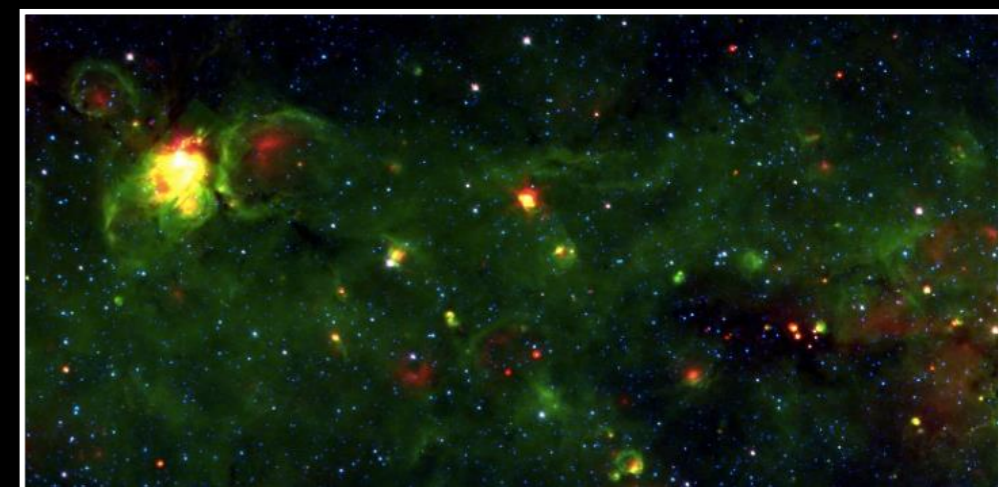
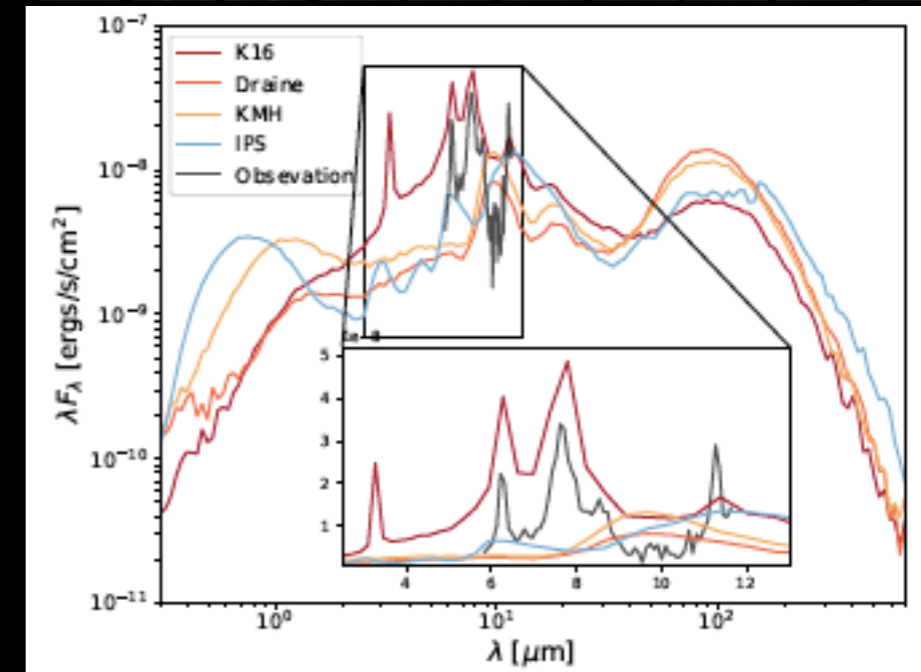
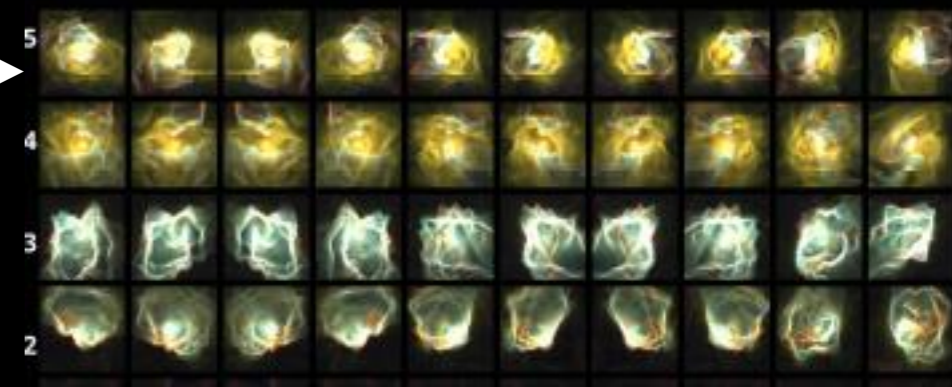
BRUT, Beaumont et al 2014

Machine Learning



Training Data

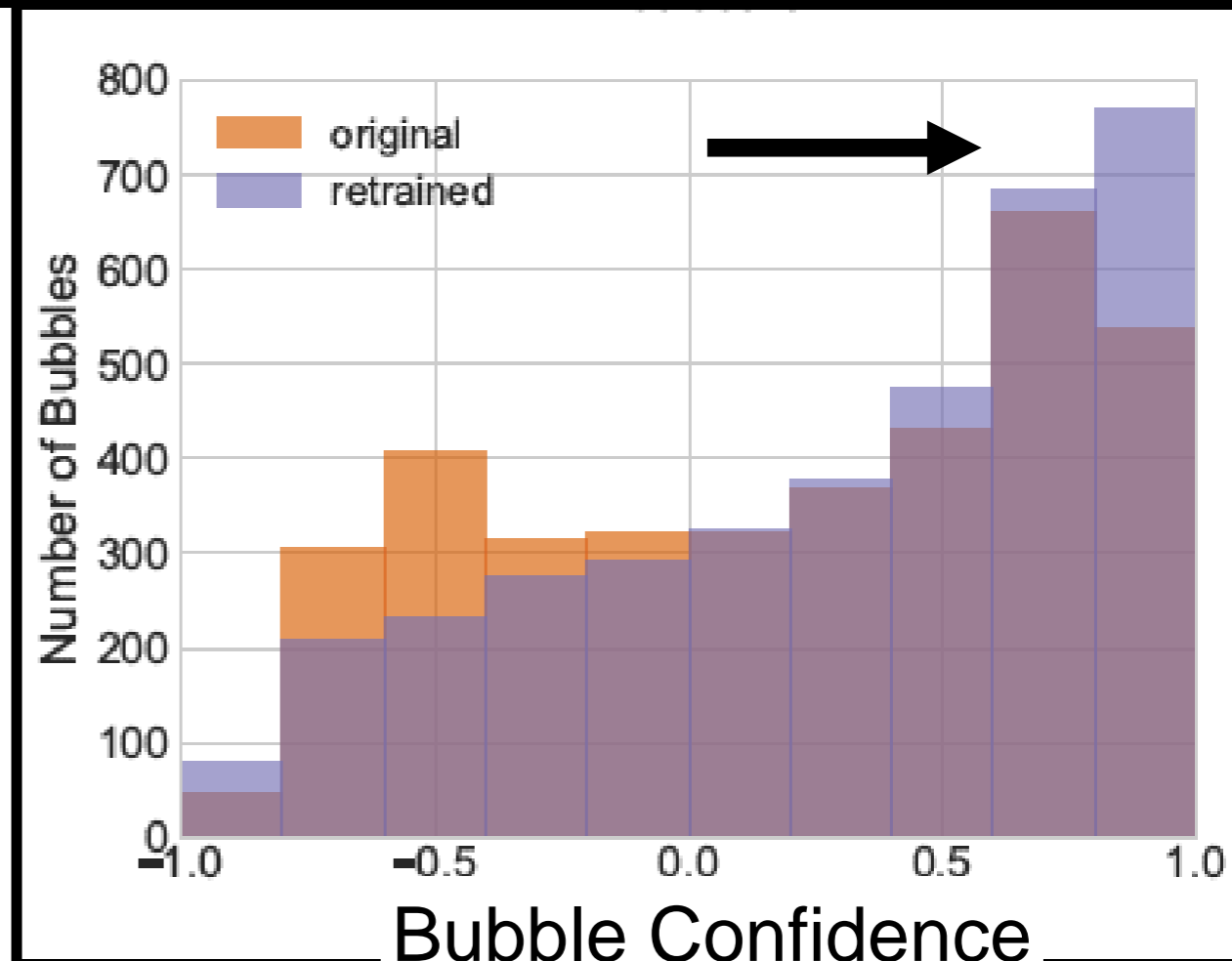
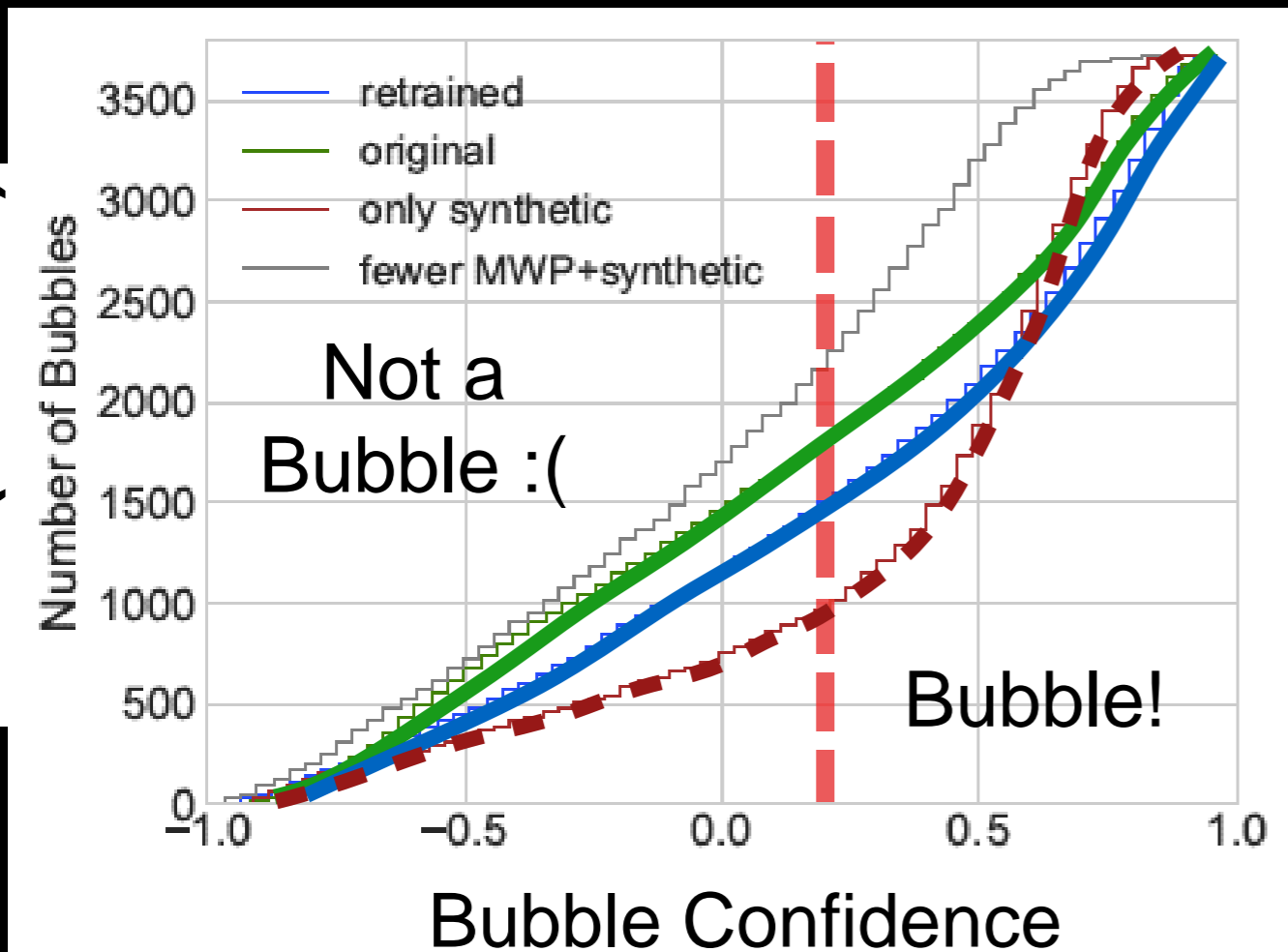
- Synthetic dust emission (3 color) →
 - Dust model with PAHs
 - Different times, magnetic field strengths, star properties, viewing angles
 - With / without noise
 - Centered on shell
- +
- With / without observational data identifications



Train with Simulations, Apply to Real Data

Xu & Offner 2017

MWP (humans)

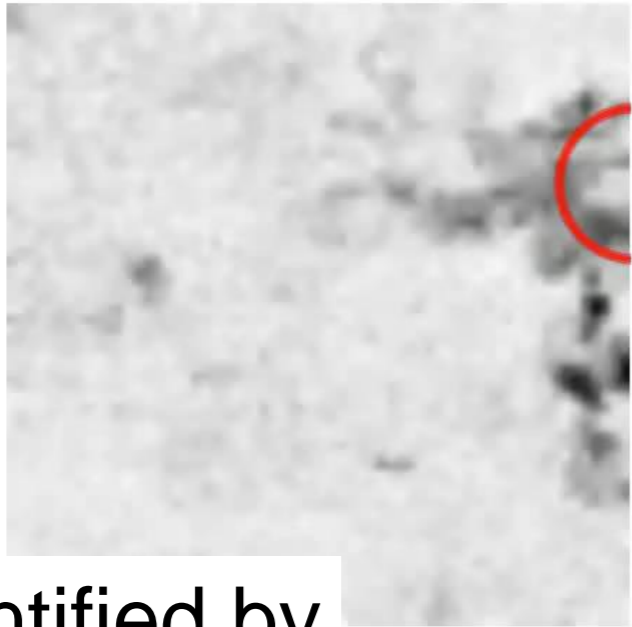


- Confidence increases for visually identified bubbles.
- For simulation-only training, some bubbles (as expected) have lower scores... know your training set!
- Best results: test set samples all types of bubbles

Feedback Recovery (3D)

Taurus
13CO

Data 0



Res-2-Unet



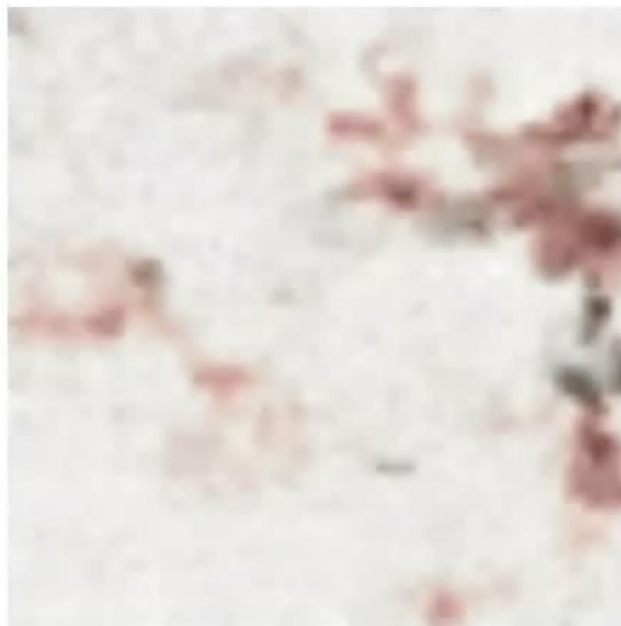
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Not identified by
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BUT there is a
source there.

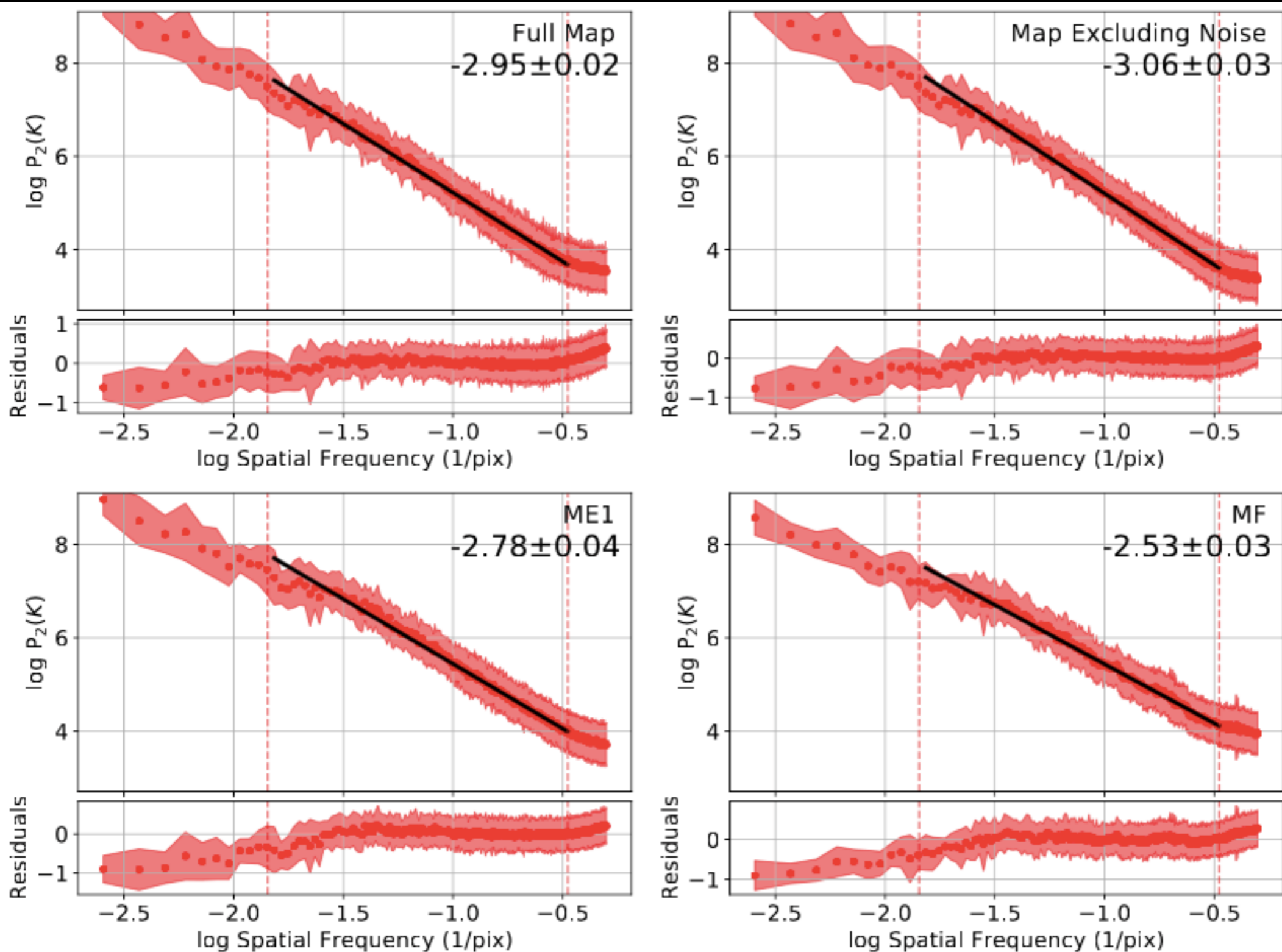
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Res-3-Unet-old

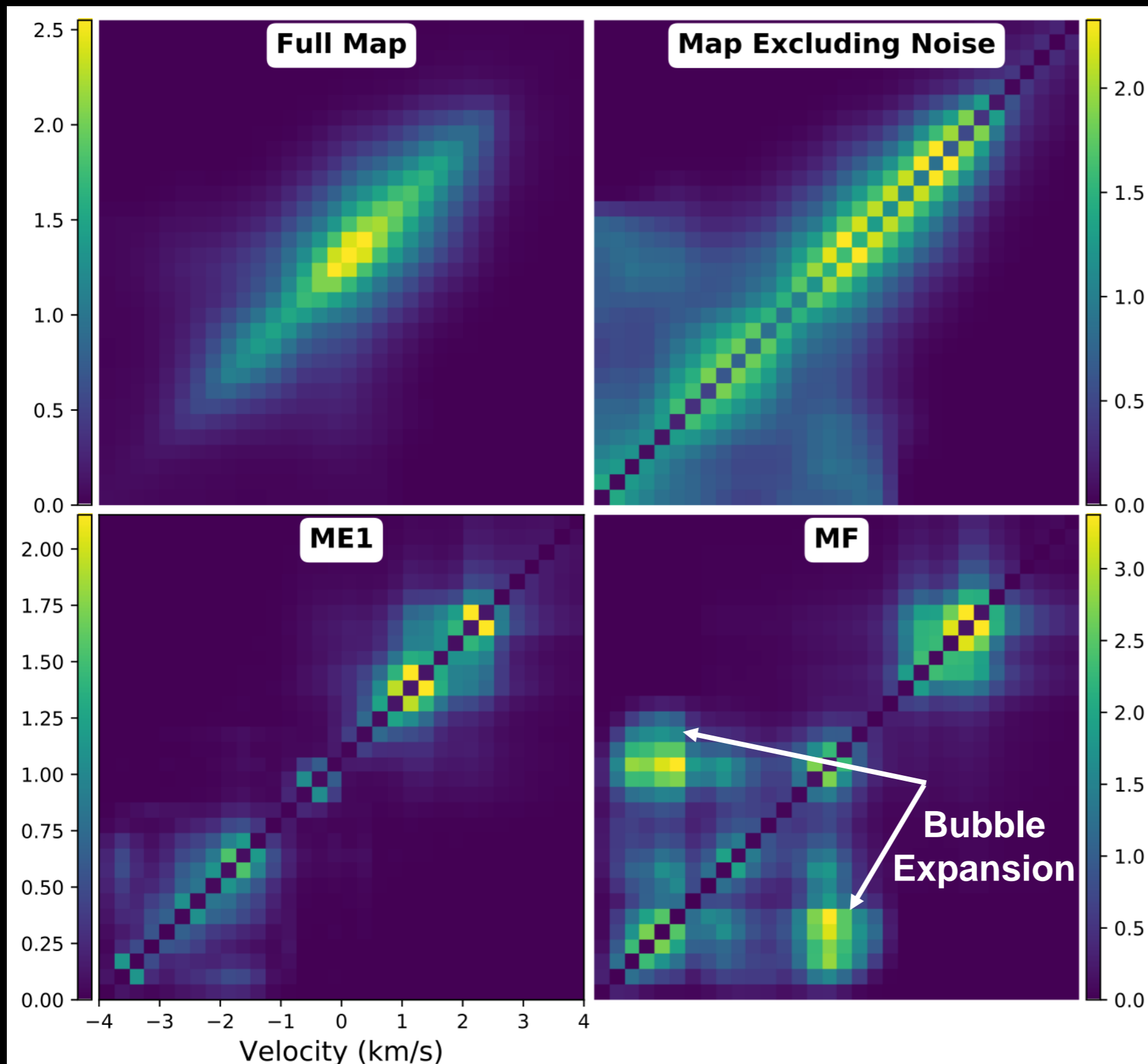


Spatial Power Spectrum (SPS)



- SPS of Taurus intensity flattens with feedback
- Predicted by Offner & Liu 2018 using models.

PCA is Sensitive to Feedback



- Taurus PCA covariance matrix shows evidence of feedback.
- Predicted by Boyden et al. 2016 using models.

$$C_{jk} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij} X_{ik},$$

$$X_{ij} = T(r_i, v_j) - \left[\sum_{k=1}^n T(r_k, v_j) \right] / n,$$

C = covariance

T = spectral cube

Xu et al 2020