

# **PDRs Near and Far: The Extraordinary Utility of Photodissociation Region Models**

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# Outline

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- Some PDR Basics
- Molecular Ions and Cosmic Rays
- Ices
- The challenge of high resolution Galactic observations
- To the Edge of the Universe



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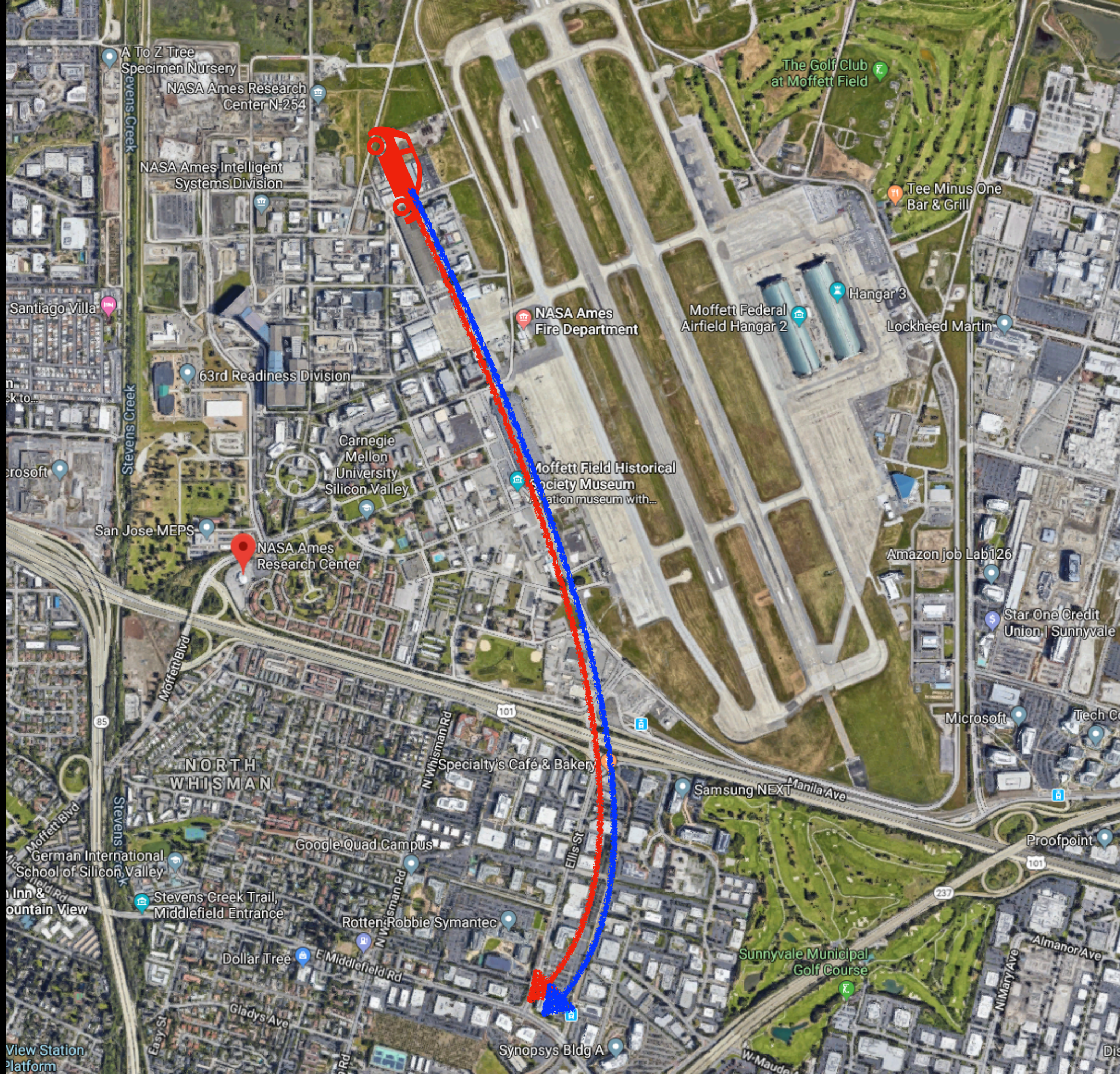
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# PHOTODISSOCIATION REGIONS. I. BASIC MODEL

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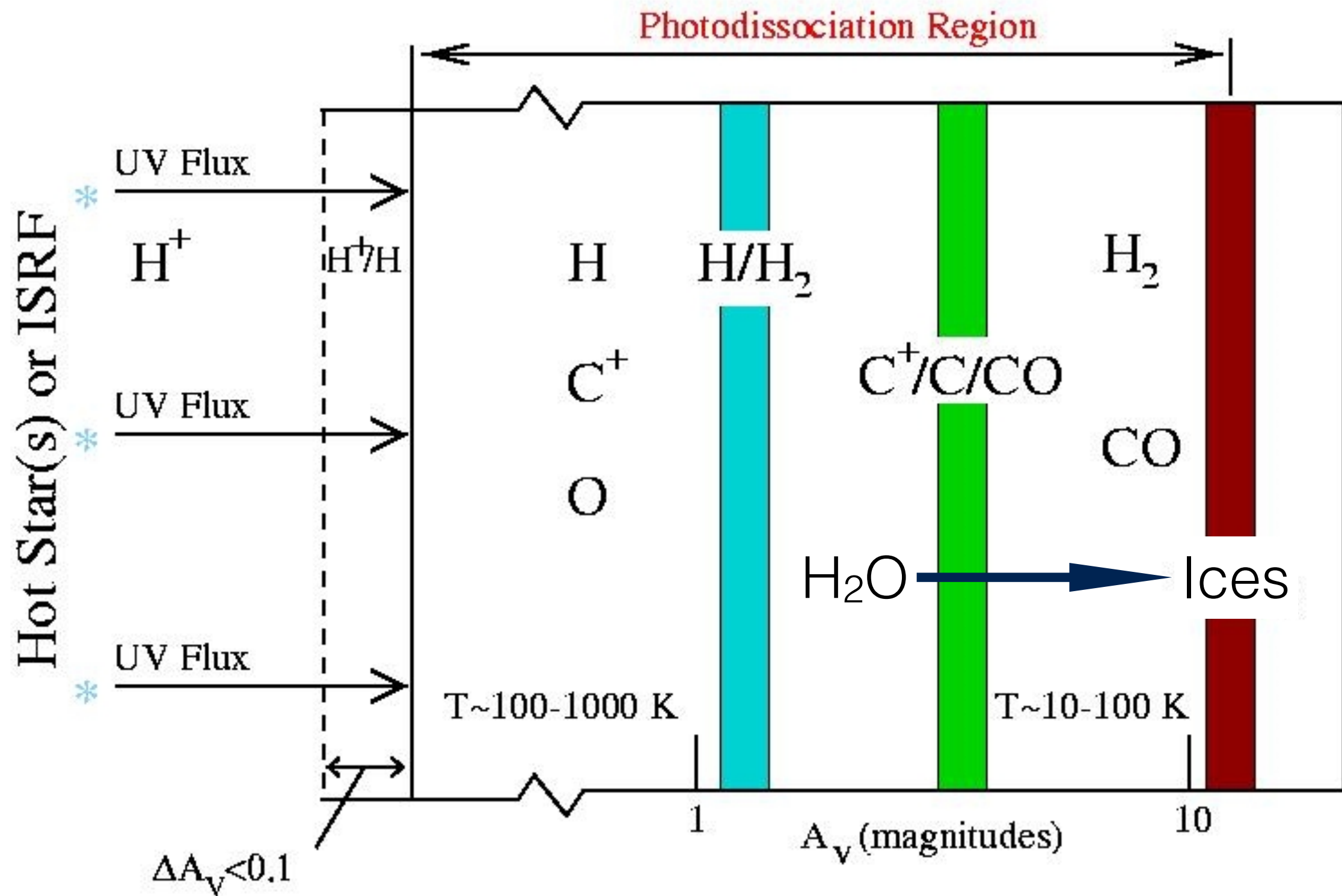
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## ABSTRACT

We have theoretically modeled the chemistry and heat balance of dense ( $10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3} < n_0 < 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ) neutral gas illuminated by far-ultraviolet (FUV) ( $6 \text{ eV} < h\nu < 13.6 \text{ eV}$ ) fluxes  $10^3$ – $10^6$  times more intense than the ambient interstellar field. The one-dimensional models extend  $A_v \sim 10$  into the neutral gas, and are primarily intended to study the FUV illuminated neutral gas (photodissociation regions) between molecular clouds and H II regions. However, the models also apply to neutral shells around planetary nebulae, bright-rimmed molecular clouds, reflection nebulae, regions around protostars, and the center of the Galaxy, and to global studies of external galaxies. The models relate observed line and continuum emission from these regions to interesting physical parameters such as the gas density and temperature, the incident FUV flux, the elemental abundances, and the grain properties. The dense, highly illuminated photodissociation regions generally include a hot ( $T > 100 \text{ K}$ ) atomic region (H, O, and  $\text{C}^+$ ) near the surface ( $A_v \lesssim 3$ ) where trace  $\text{H}_2$  is vibrationally excited by FUV pumping, a warm ( $T \sim 100 \text{ K}$ ) partially dissociated region ( $\text{H}_2$ , O, C, and CO) at about  $A_v \sim 3$ – $5$ , and a cooler ( $T < 100 \text{ K}$ ) interior region ( $A_v \sim 10$ ) where oxygen is still photodissociated to atomic form ( $\text{H}_2$ , CO, and O).

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# PDR Schematic

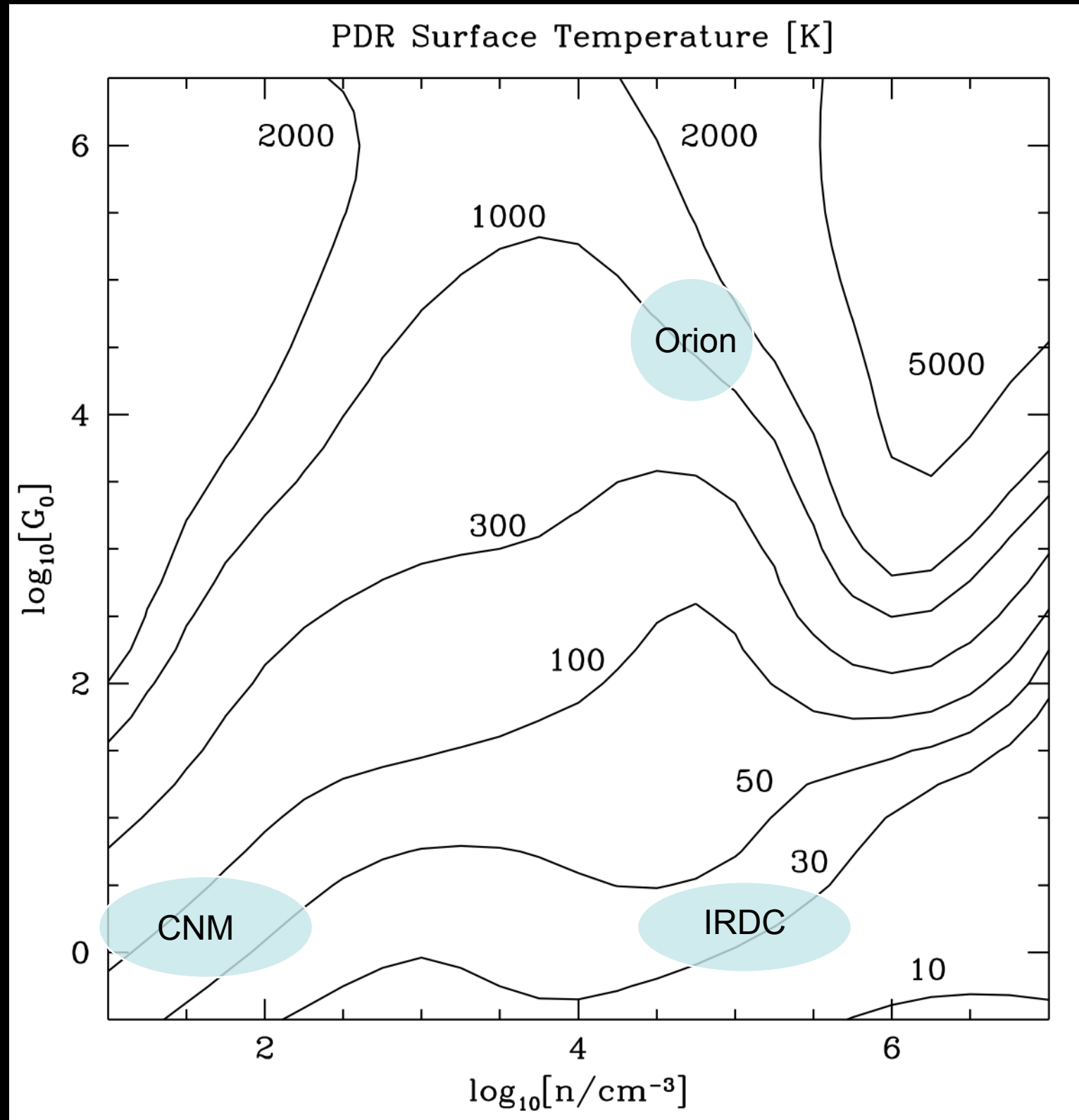




# Model Grids (Wolfire et al. 1990, Kaufman et al. 1999, 2006; Wolfire & Pound 2008; Hollenbach et al. 2009, 2012)

- Input conditions
  - Grain/PAH properties
  - Chemical abundances
  - FUV spectrum
  - cosmic ray rate
  - total column
  - 1-sided/2-sided illumination
  - Steady state
- Parameter space
  - $\log(n) = 1 - 7$  (but possible to fix  $P$  instead of  $n$ )
  - $\log(G_0) = -0.5 - 6.5$
  - Makes understanding physical processes more straightforward
  - Best for trends; individual sources should take details into account

# PDR Surface Temperature [K]



WNM

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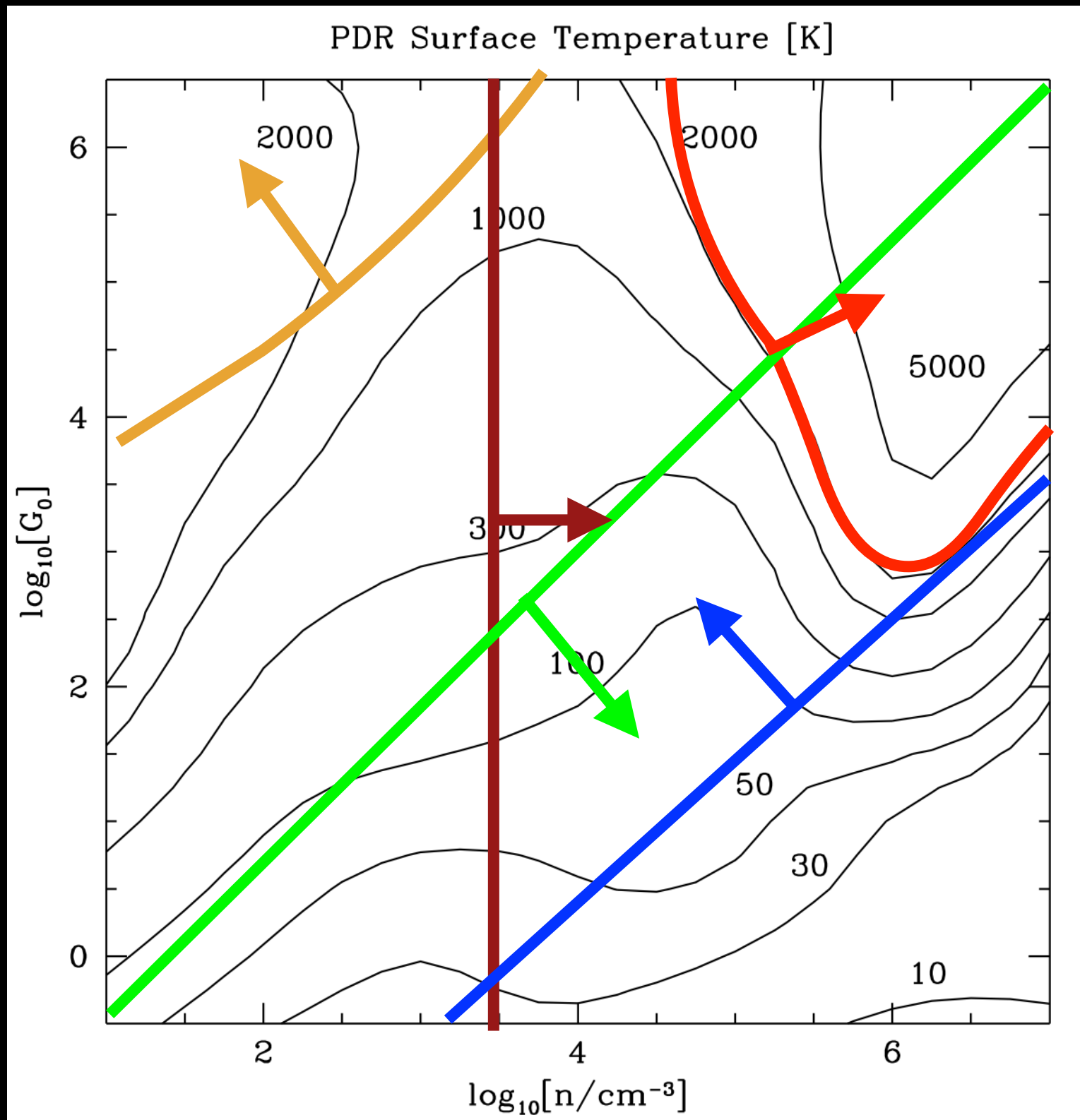
$$V_{\text{drift}} > V_{\text{th}}$$

$$G_0/n < .03$$

$$n > n_{\text{cr}}^{\text{C}}$$

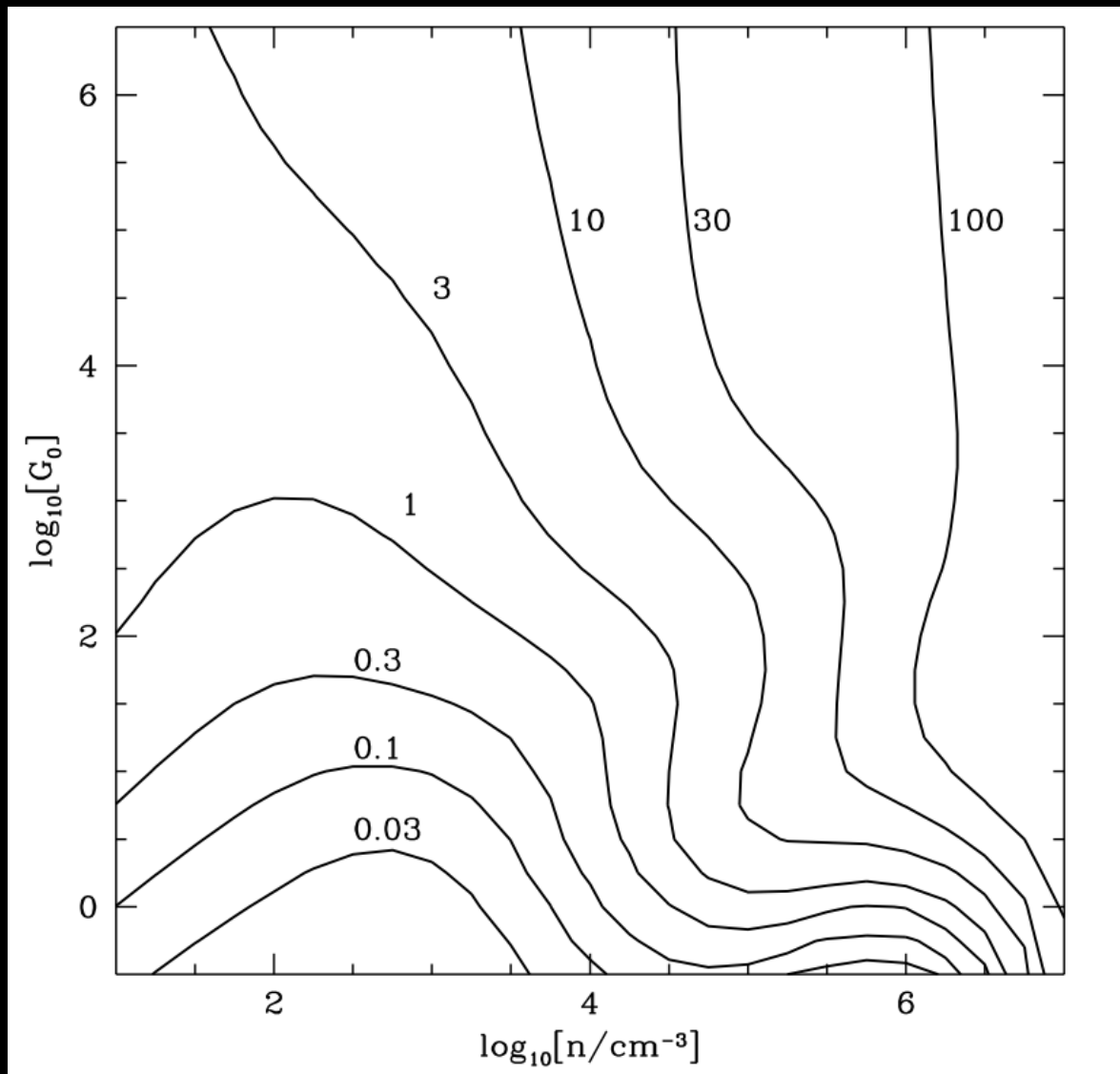
$$N(\text{C}^+) = 10^{21} x_{\text{C}}$$

Vib. Heating

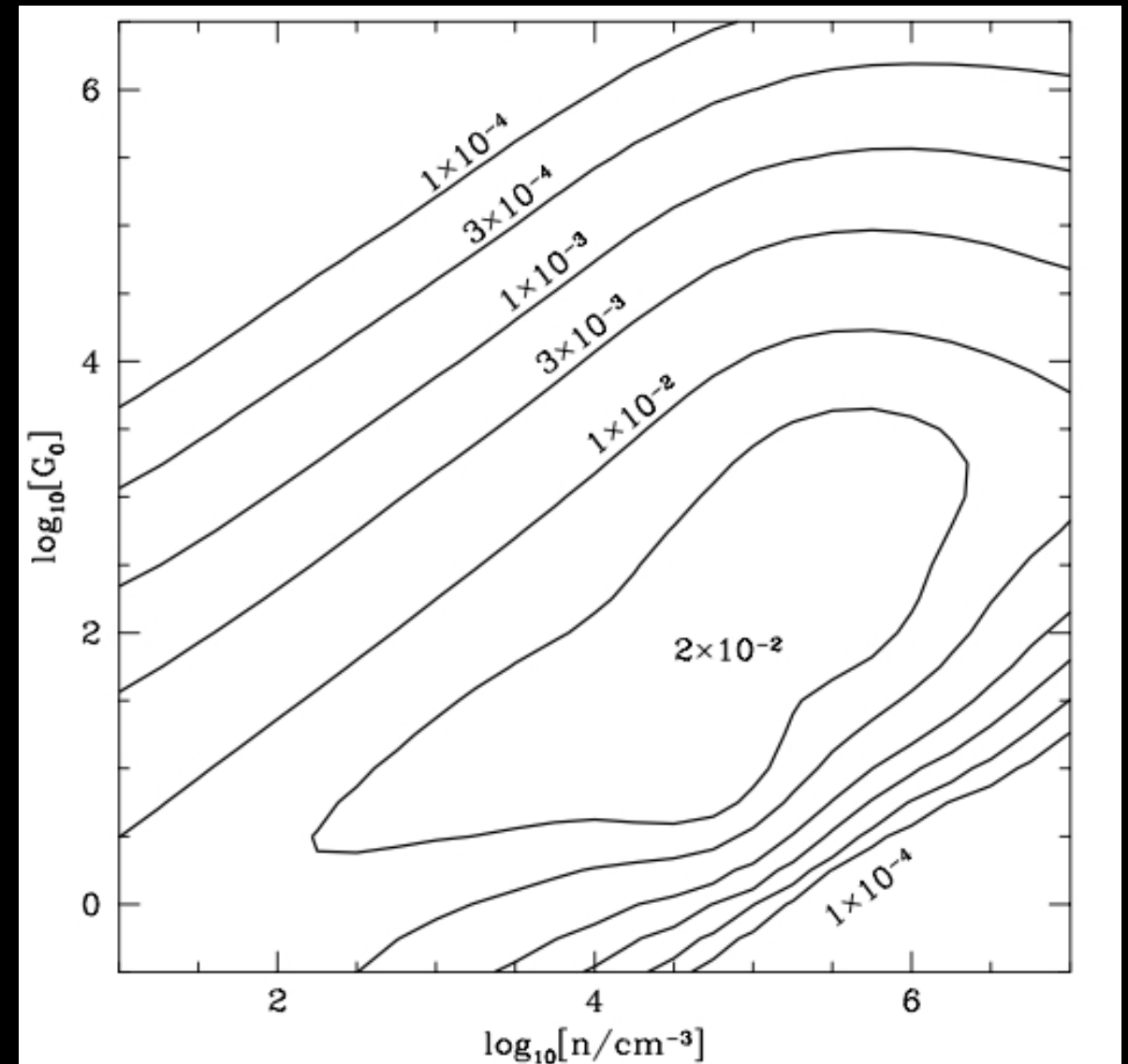


# “Classical” Tracers

OI 63 $\mu$ m/CII 158 $\mu$ m

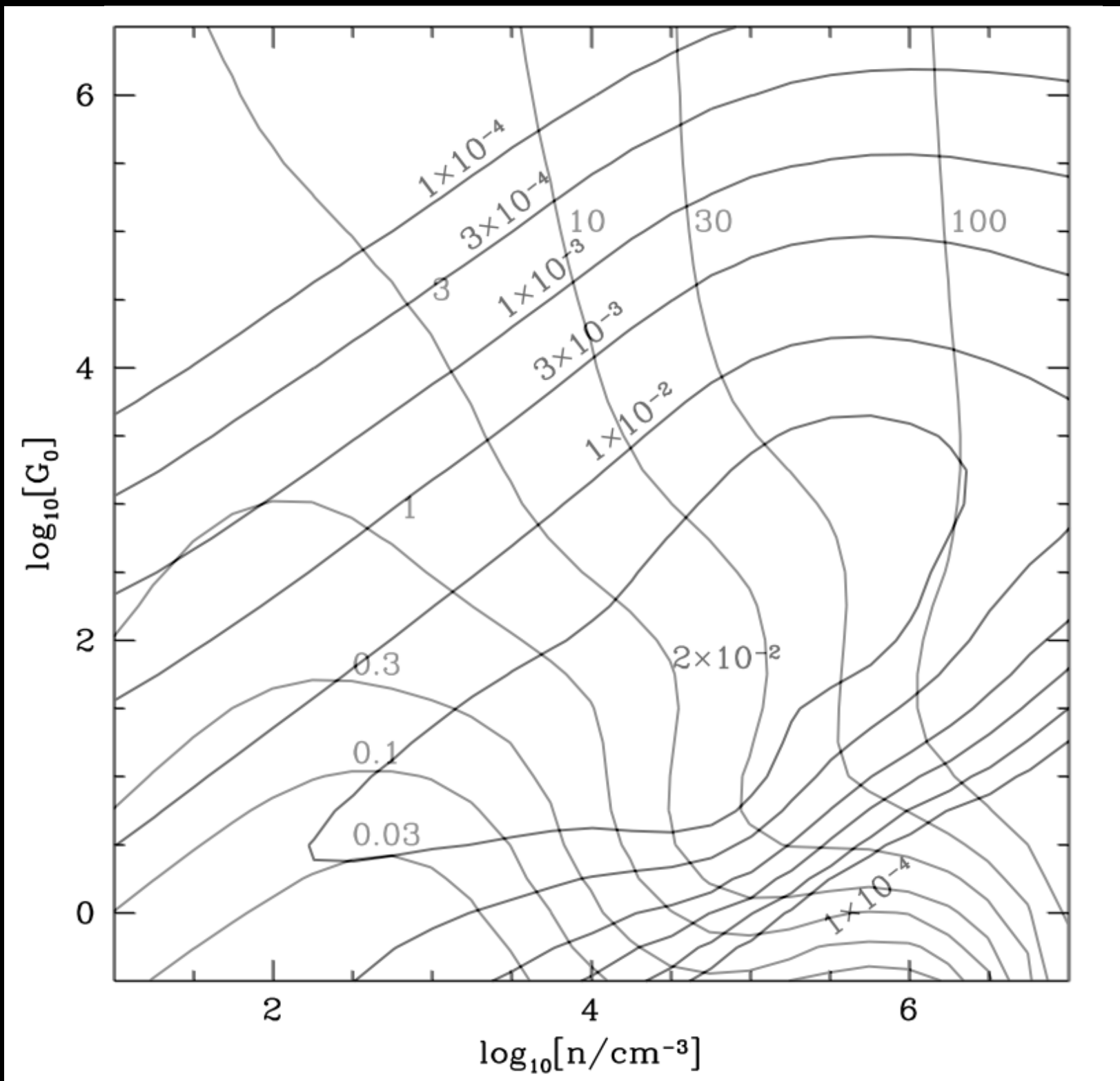


(OI 63 $\mu$ m+CII 158 $\mu$ m)/FIR

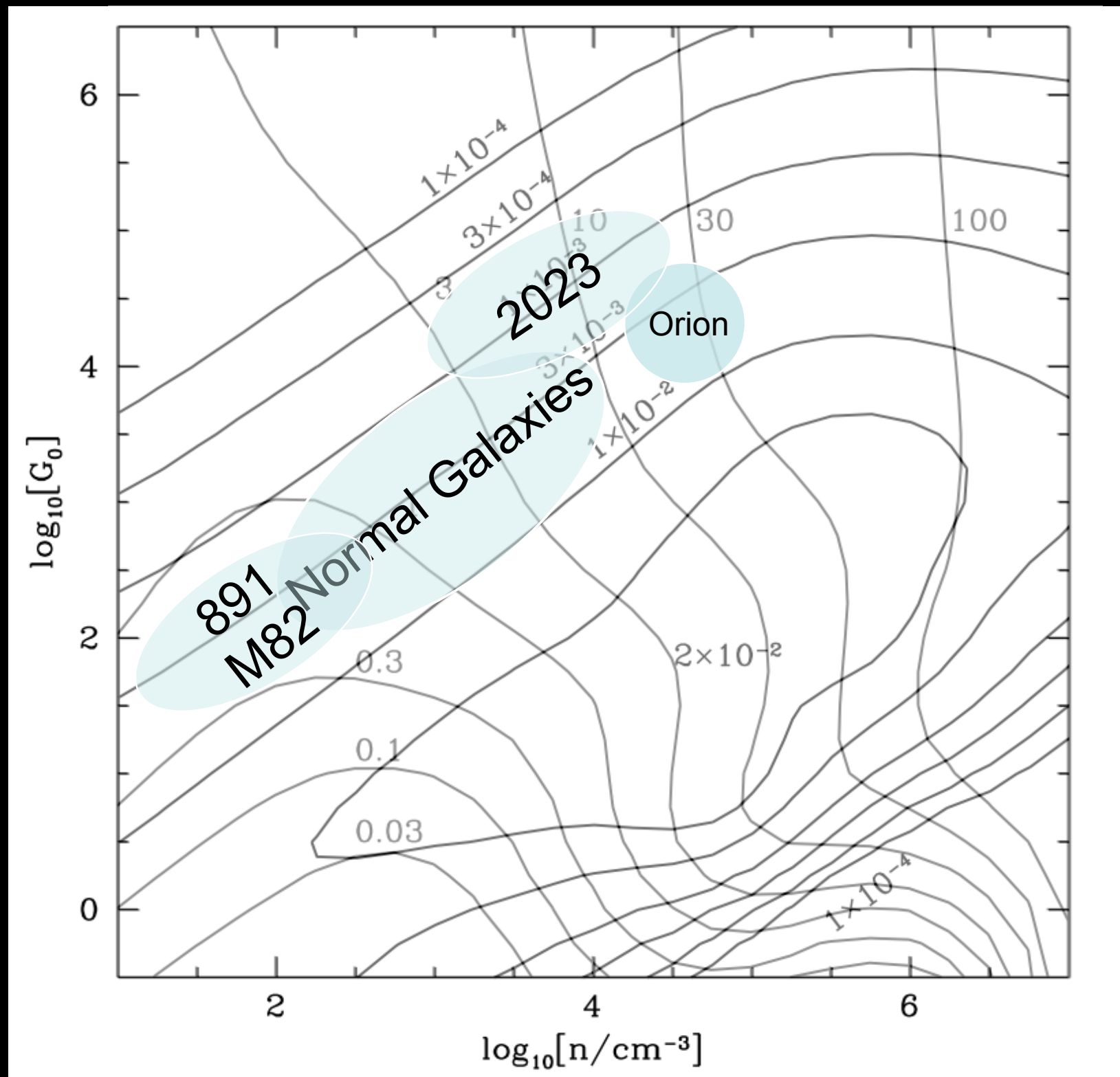




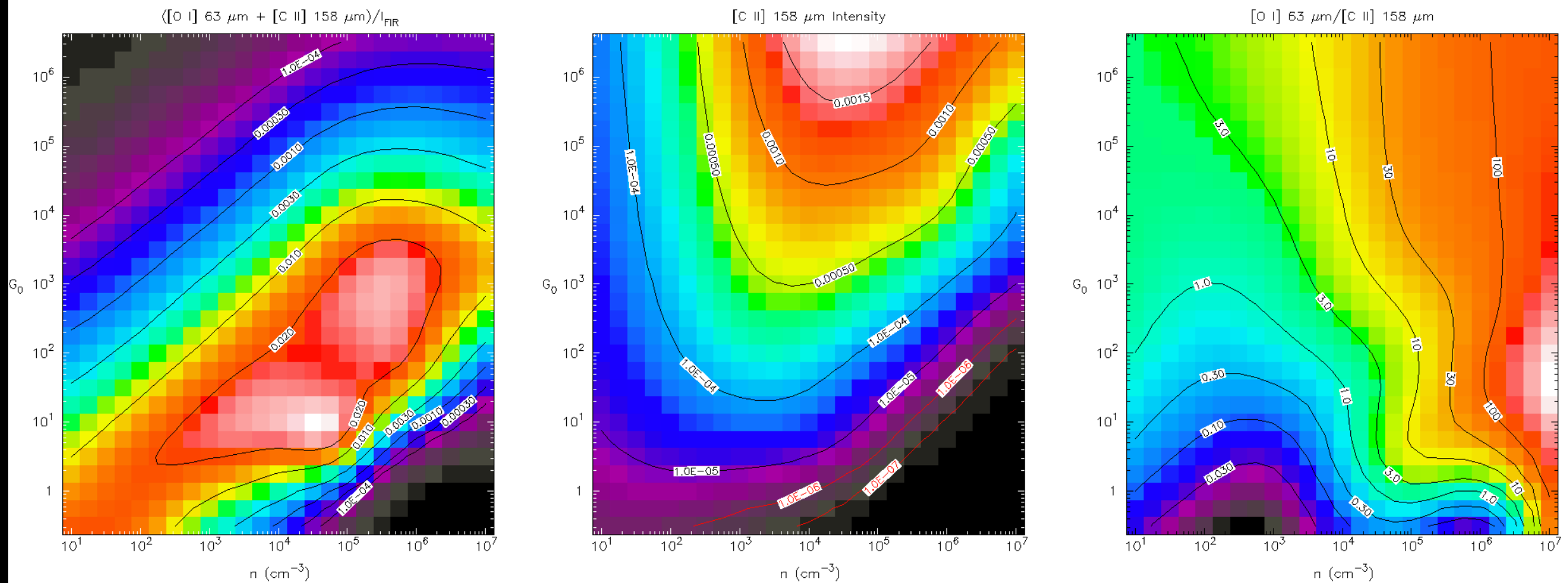
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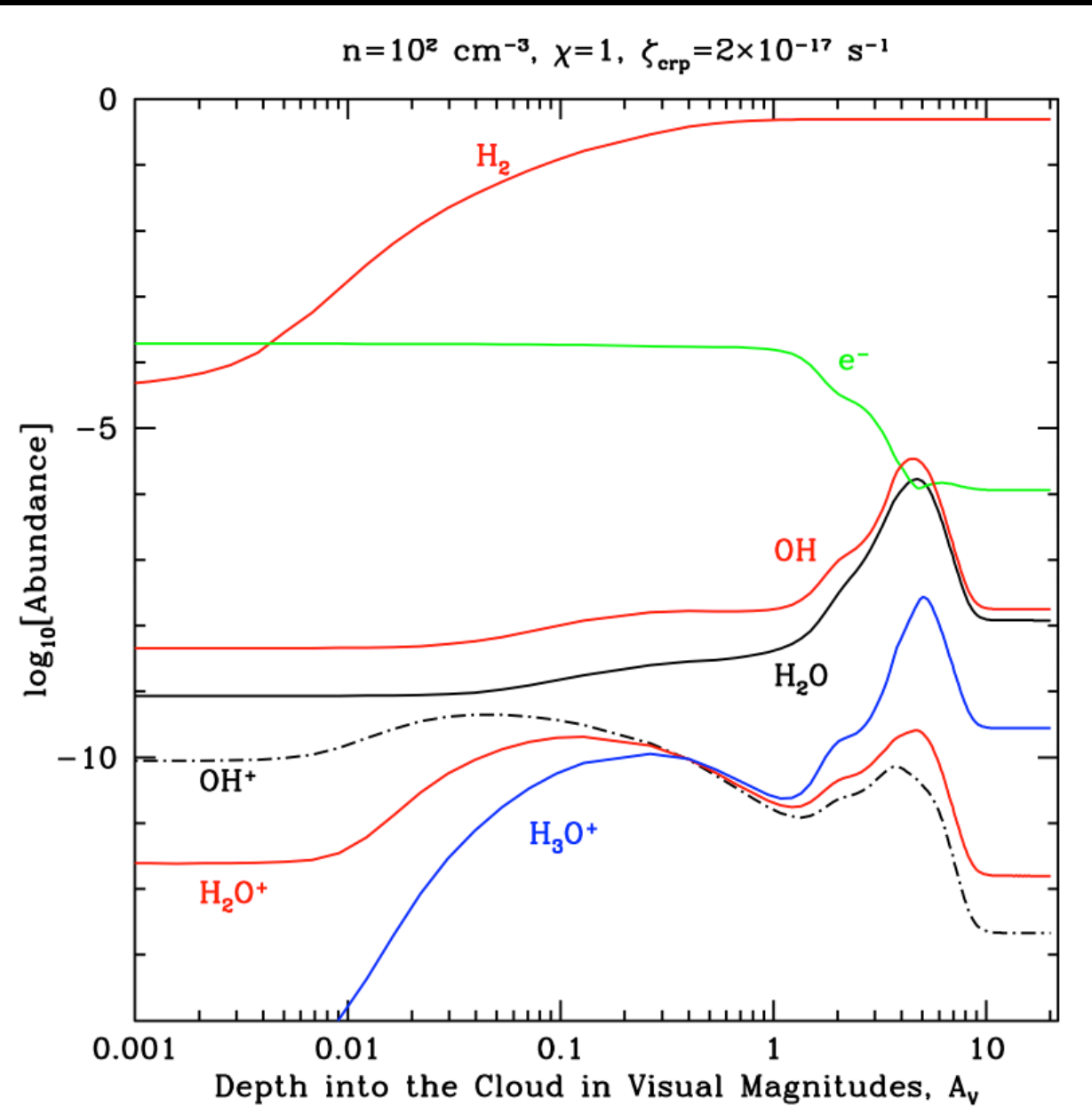
# All available from the **PDR Toolbox**: Precomputed contour plots and best fits to your data



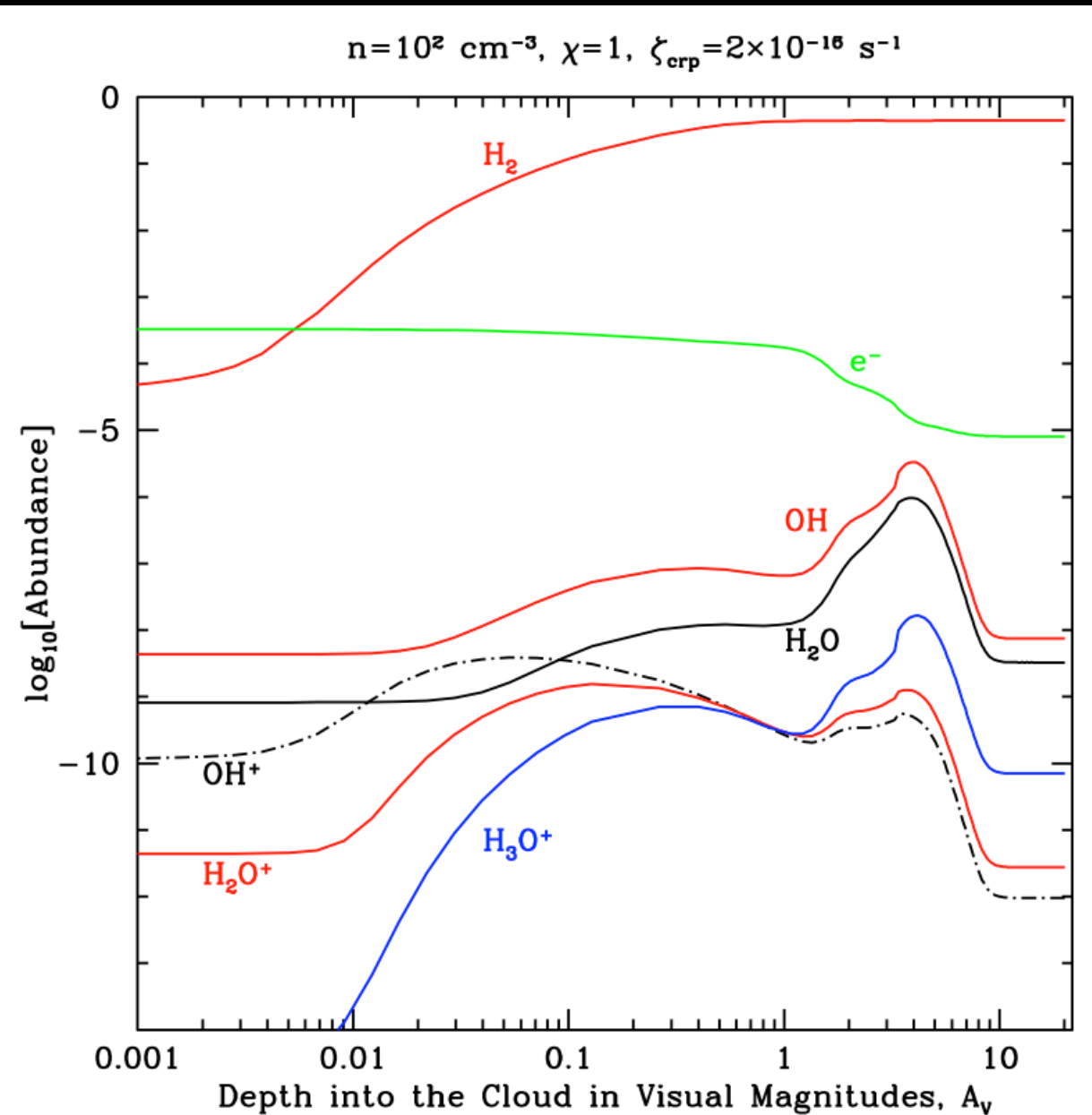
**H<sub>2</sub>, OI, CII, CI, CO, SiII, FeII, Efficiency, etc.**  
**See Poster by Marc Pound**

# Molecular Ions in PDRs

$$\zeta_{\text{cr}} = 2 \times 10^{-17} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



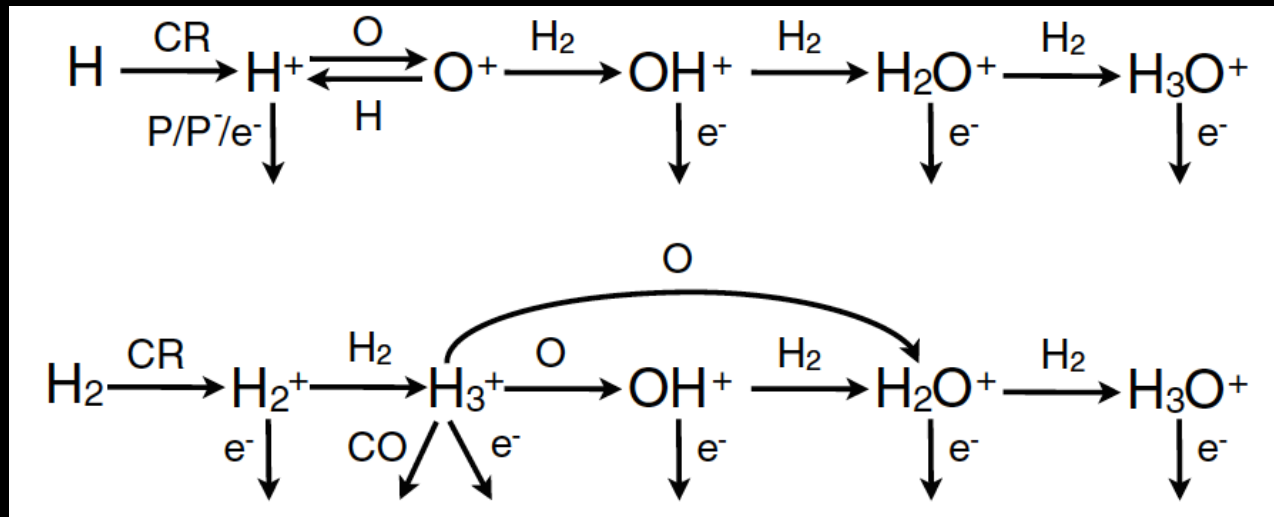
$$\zeta_{\text{cr}} = 2 \times 10^{-16} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



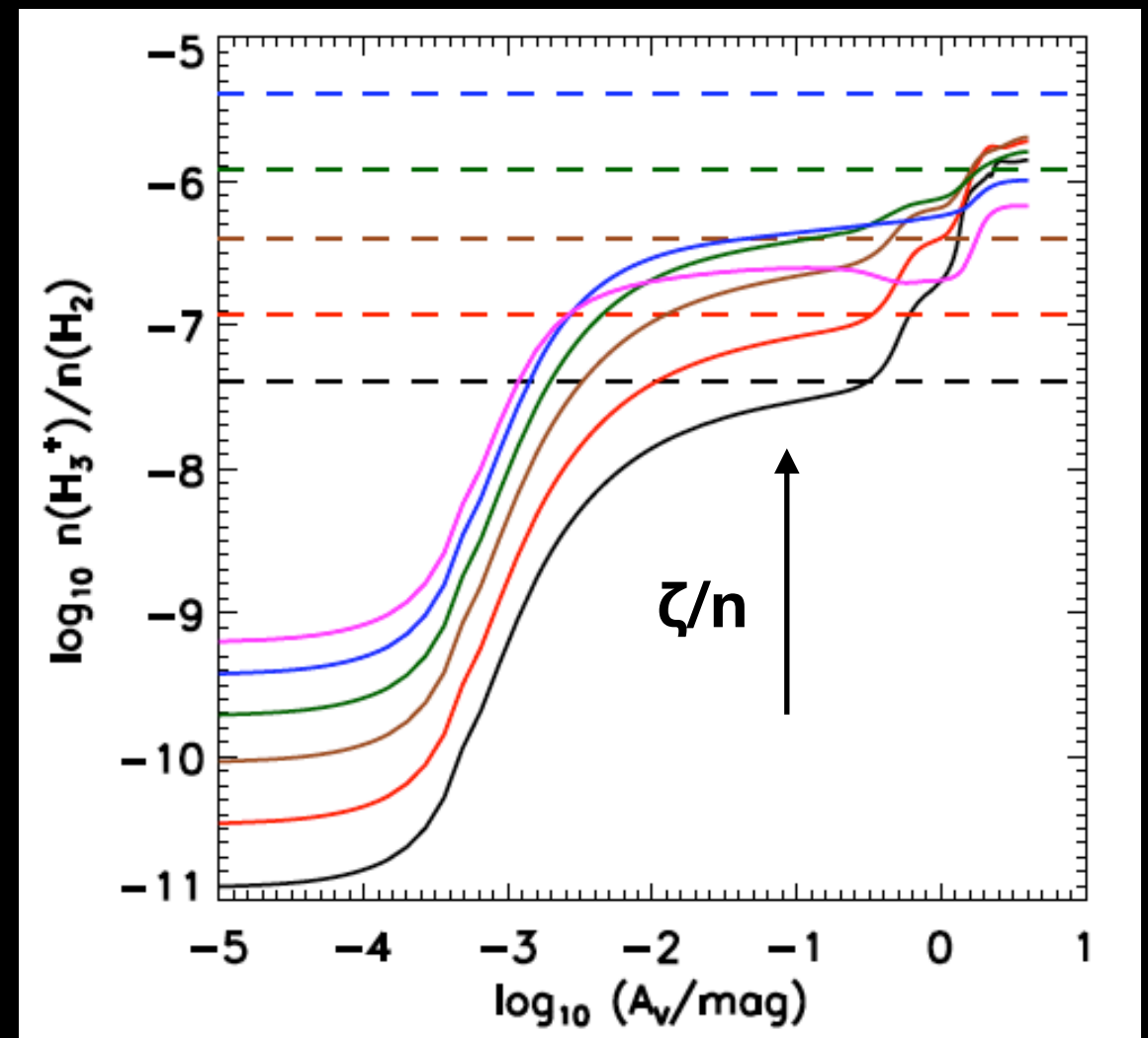
Hollenbach+2012



# Cosmic Ray Ionization Rate

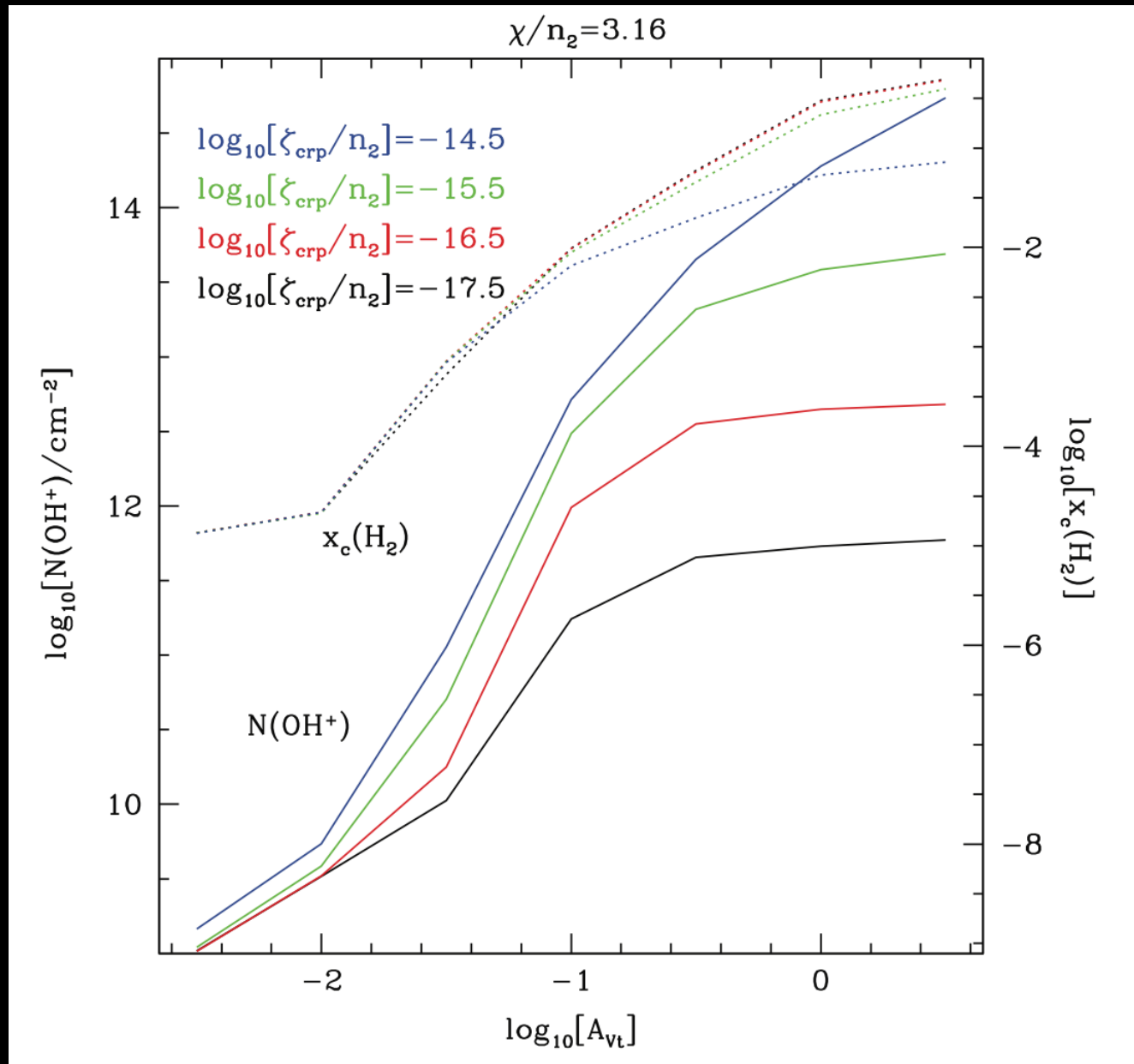


- Herschel absorption line measurements of molecular ions ( $\text{OH}^+$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}^+$ ,  $\text{ArH}^+$ , etc.) + IR measurements of  $\text{H}_3^+$
- Simple analytic expressions relate column density ratios to cosmic ray rate (divided by density)
- Detailed PDR modeling of an ensemble of diffuse clouds gives best constraints to date

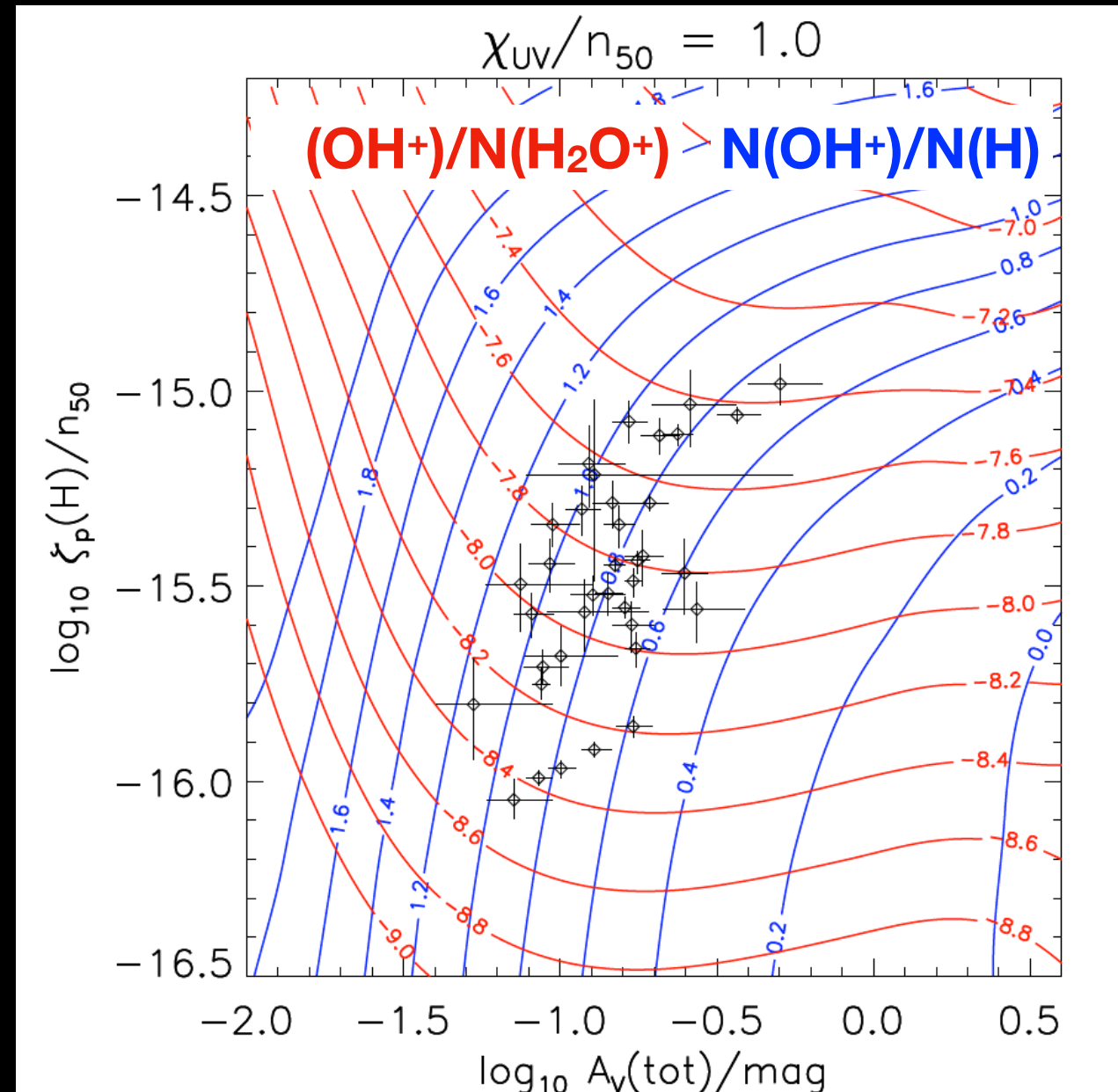


Neufeld & Wolfire 16, Hollenbach+12, Indriolo & McCall 12

# Cosmic Ray Rate Diagnostic



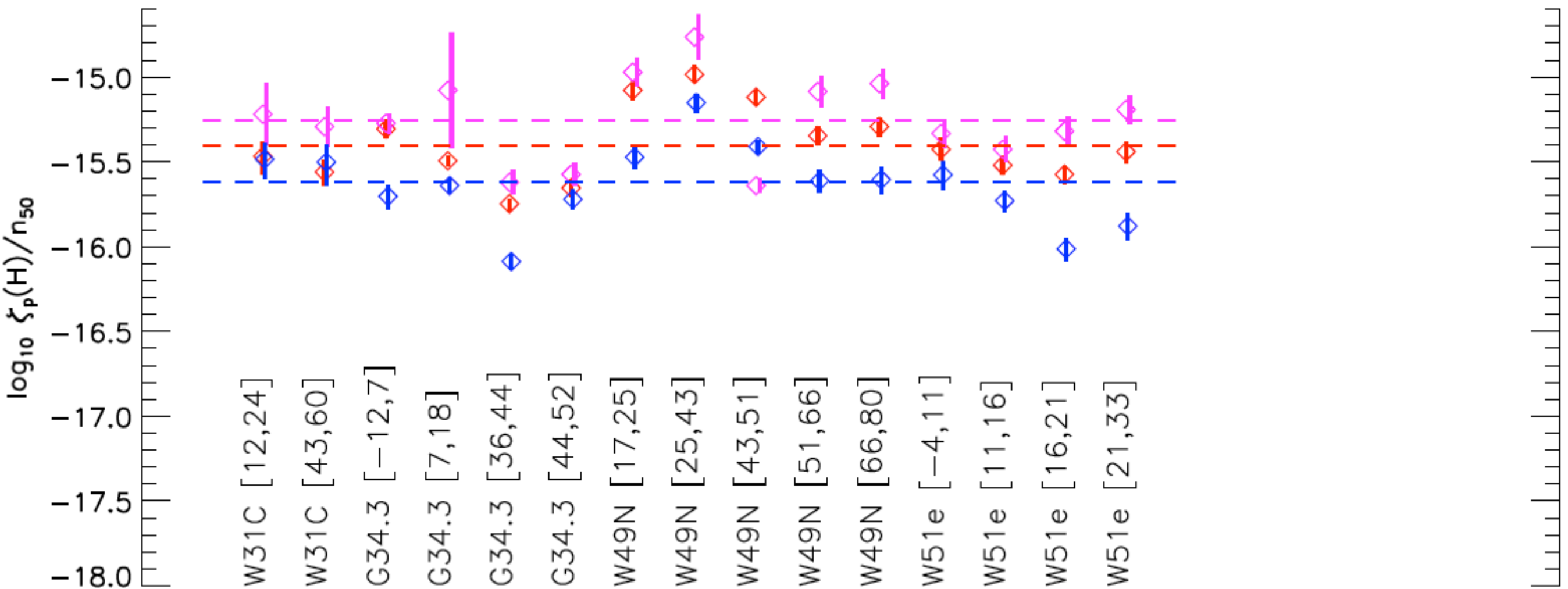
Hollenbach et al. 2012



Neufeld & Wolfire 2017

Observed column density ratios along line of sight to diffuse clouds out to 12 kpc ==> constrain  $\zeta/n$

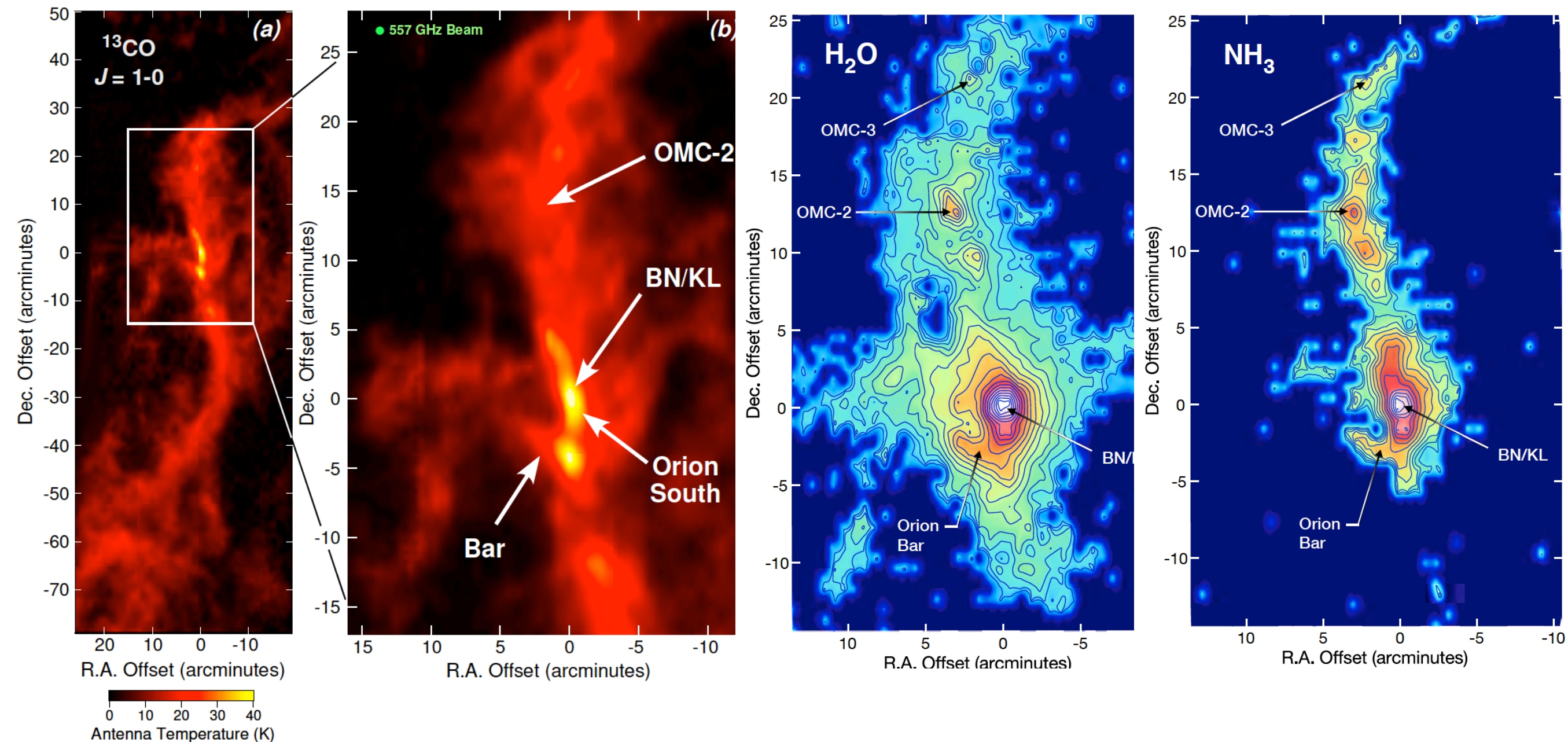
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Neufeld & Wolfire 2017

$$\zeta_p(H) = (2.2 \pm 0.3) \exp[(R_0 - R_G)/4.7 \text{ kpc}] \times 10^{-16} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

# Line Mapping in the Quiescent Ridge: Testing PDR Models with Grain Surface Chemistry



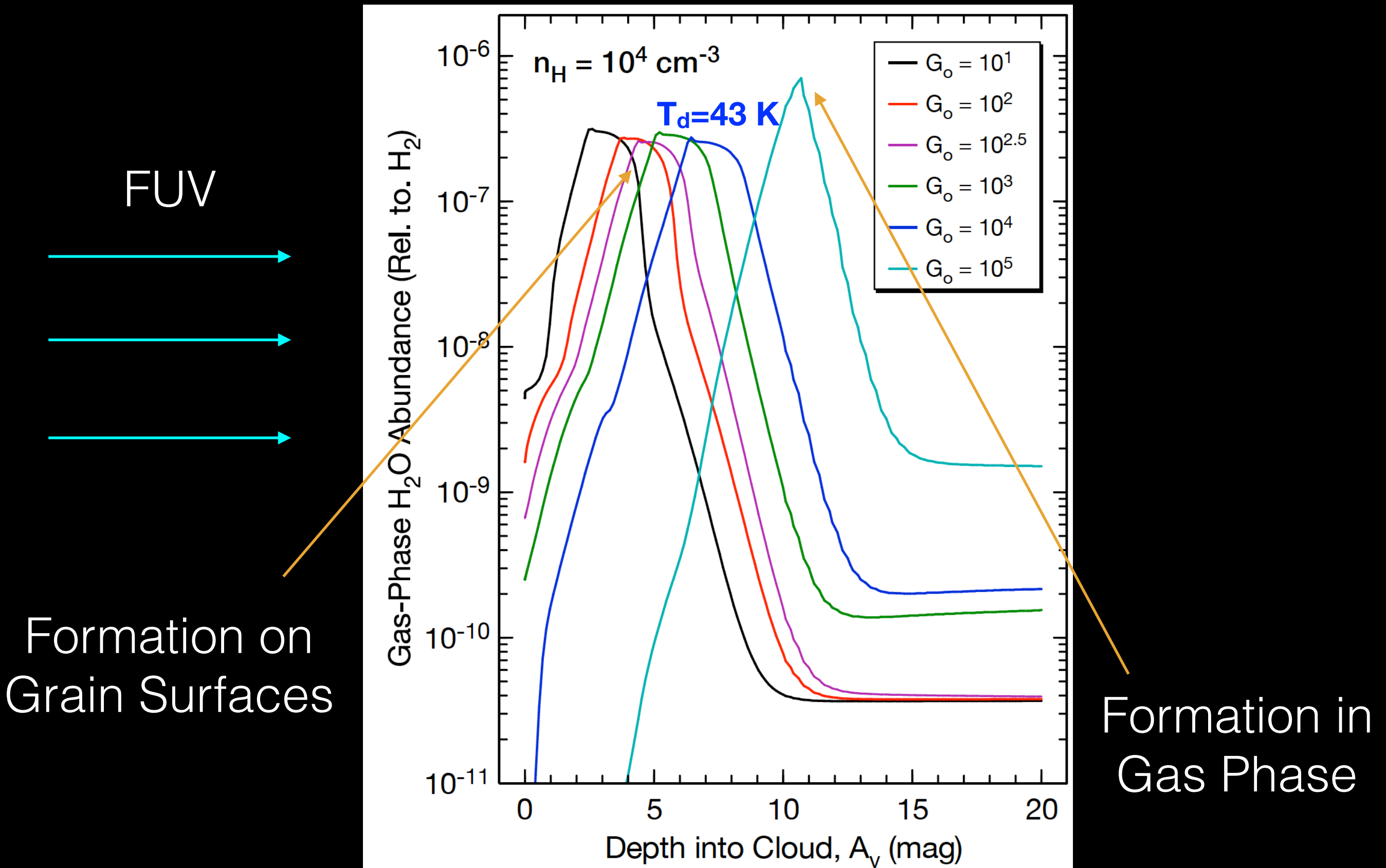
HIFI:  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$

FCRAO:  $^{12}\text{CO}$ ,  $^{13}\text{CO}$ , CN, HCN,  $\text{C}_2\text{H}$ ,  $\text{N}_2\text{H}^+$

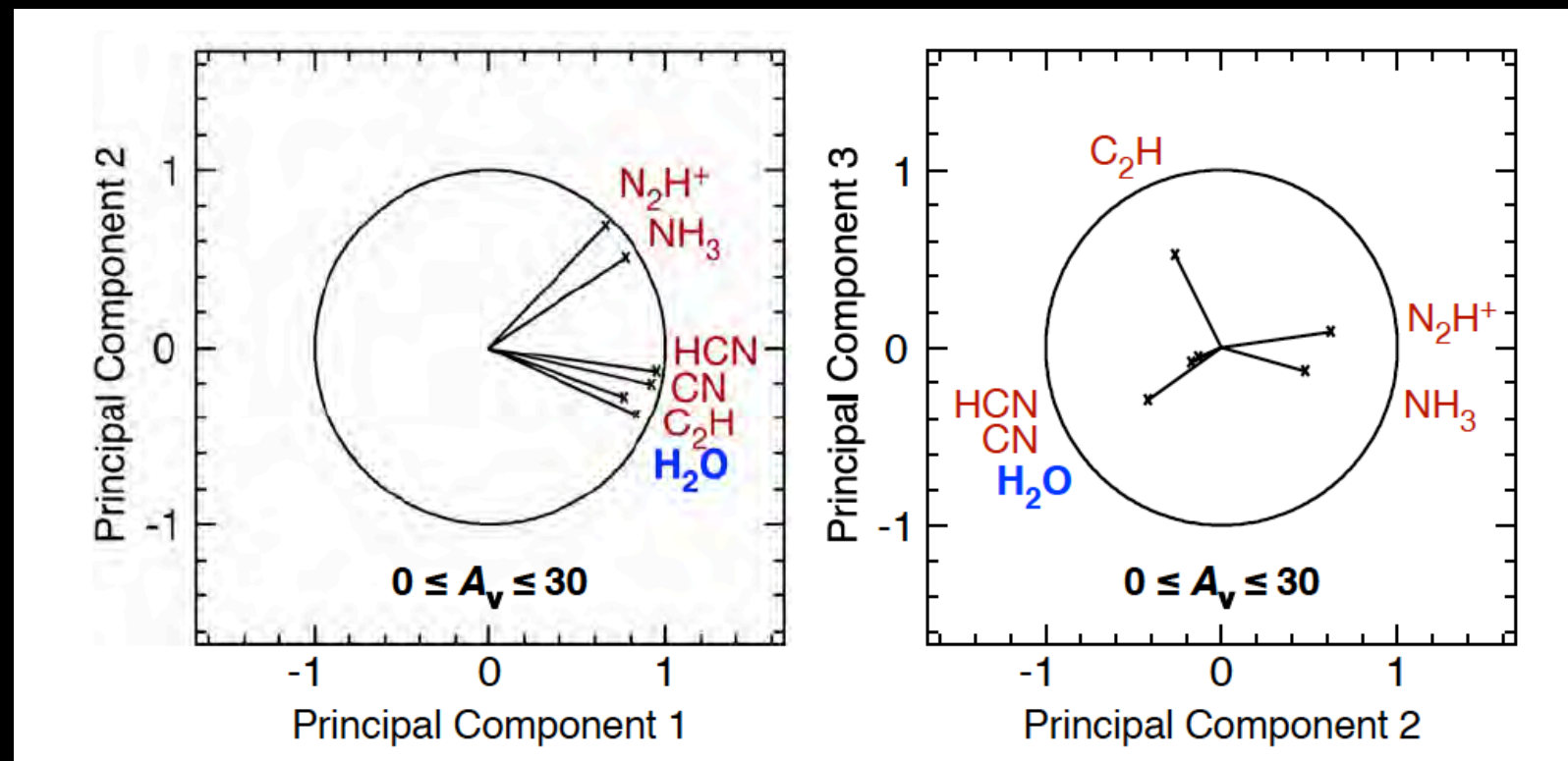
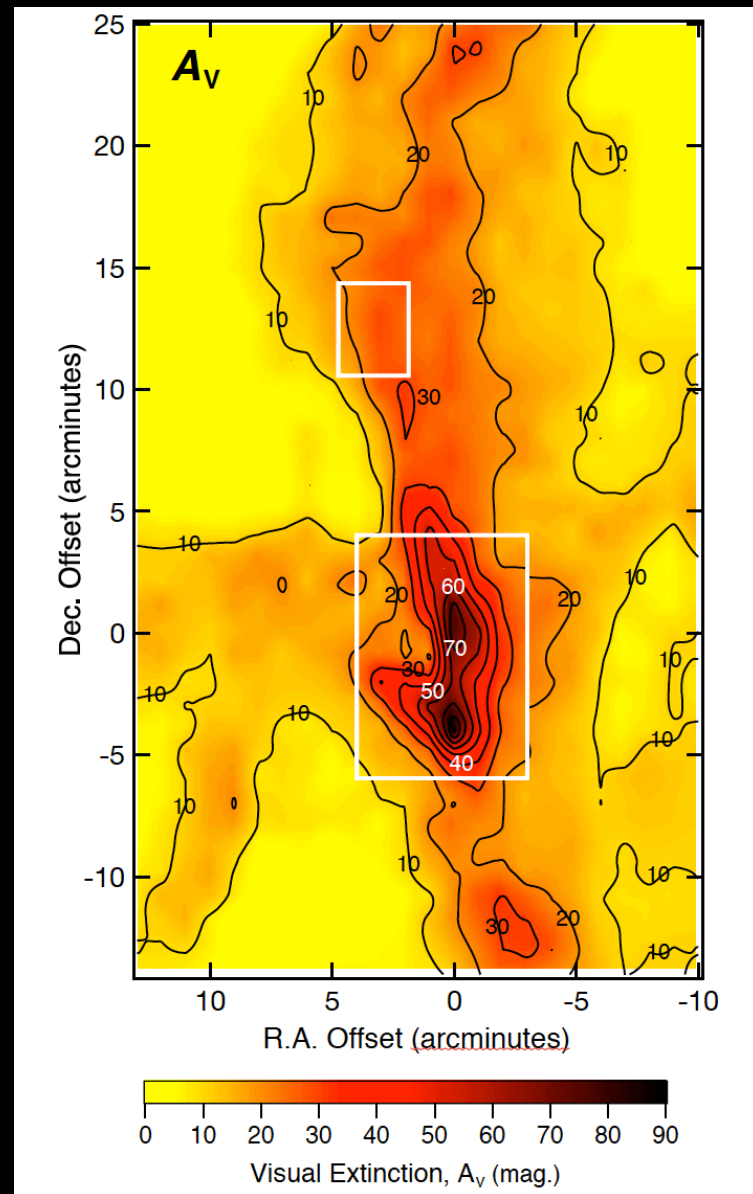
Melnick+in prep



# Gas-Grain models of PDRs (Hollenbach+09; Melnick+in prep)

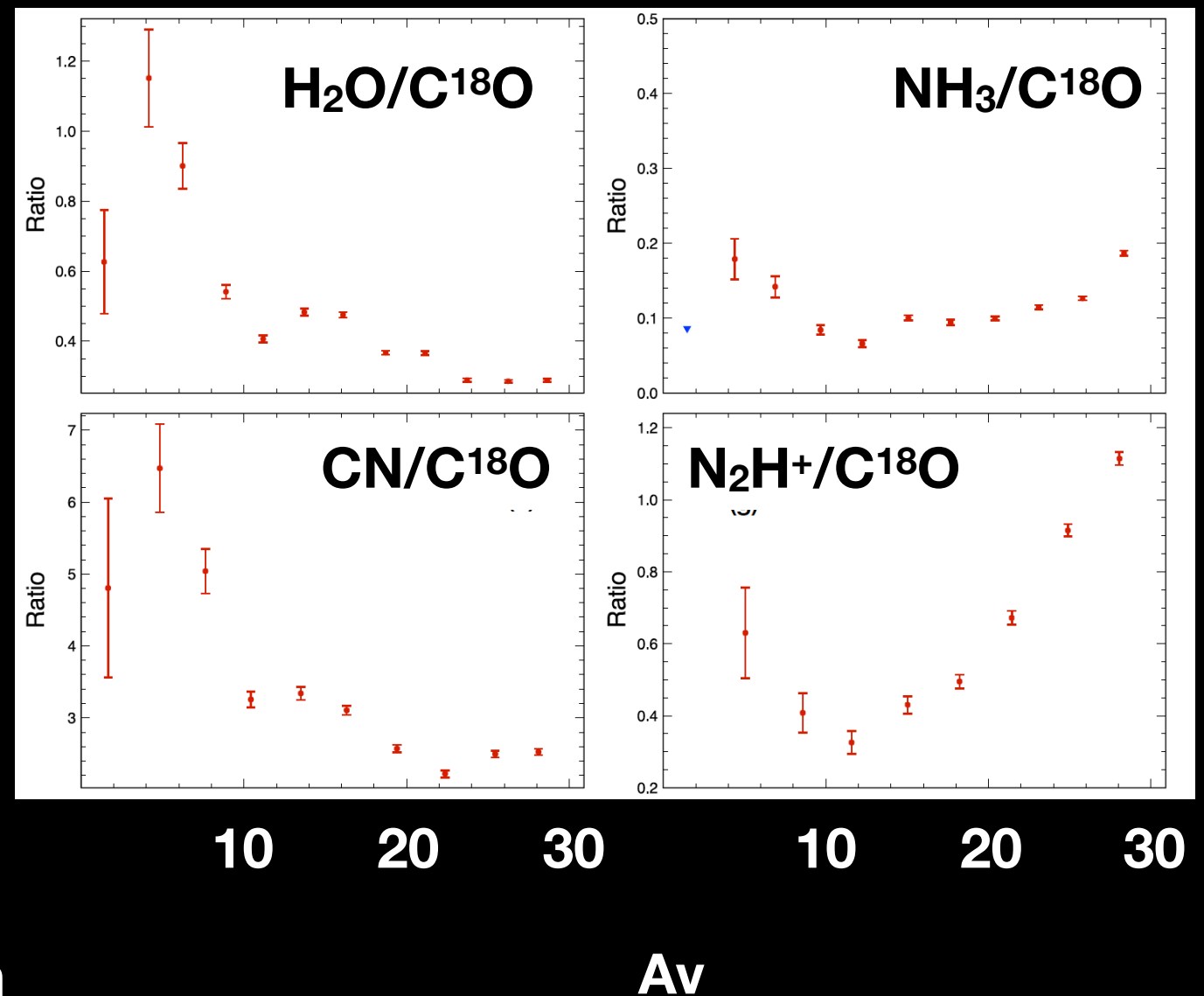
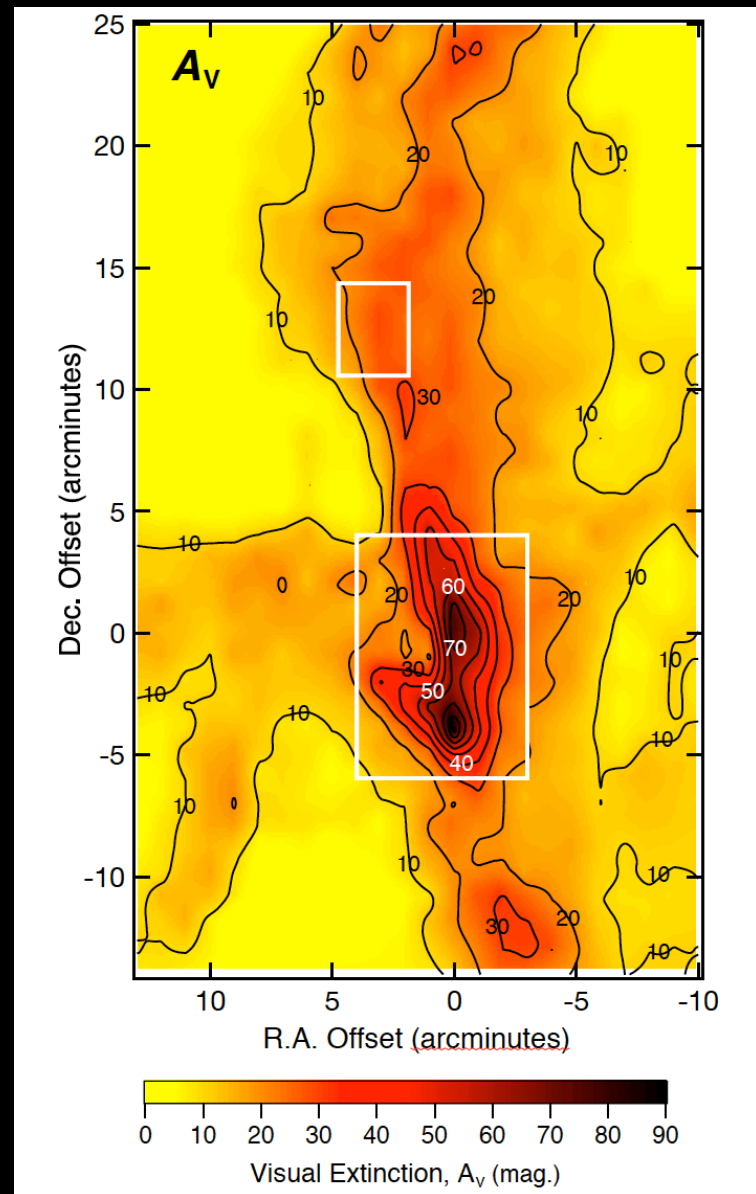


# Line Ratios As a Function of Extinction



From comparison of  $^{13}\text{CO}/^{12}\text{CO}$  with photometry of background stars (Ripple+13)

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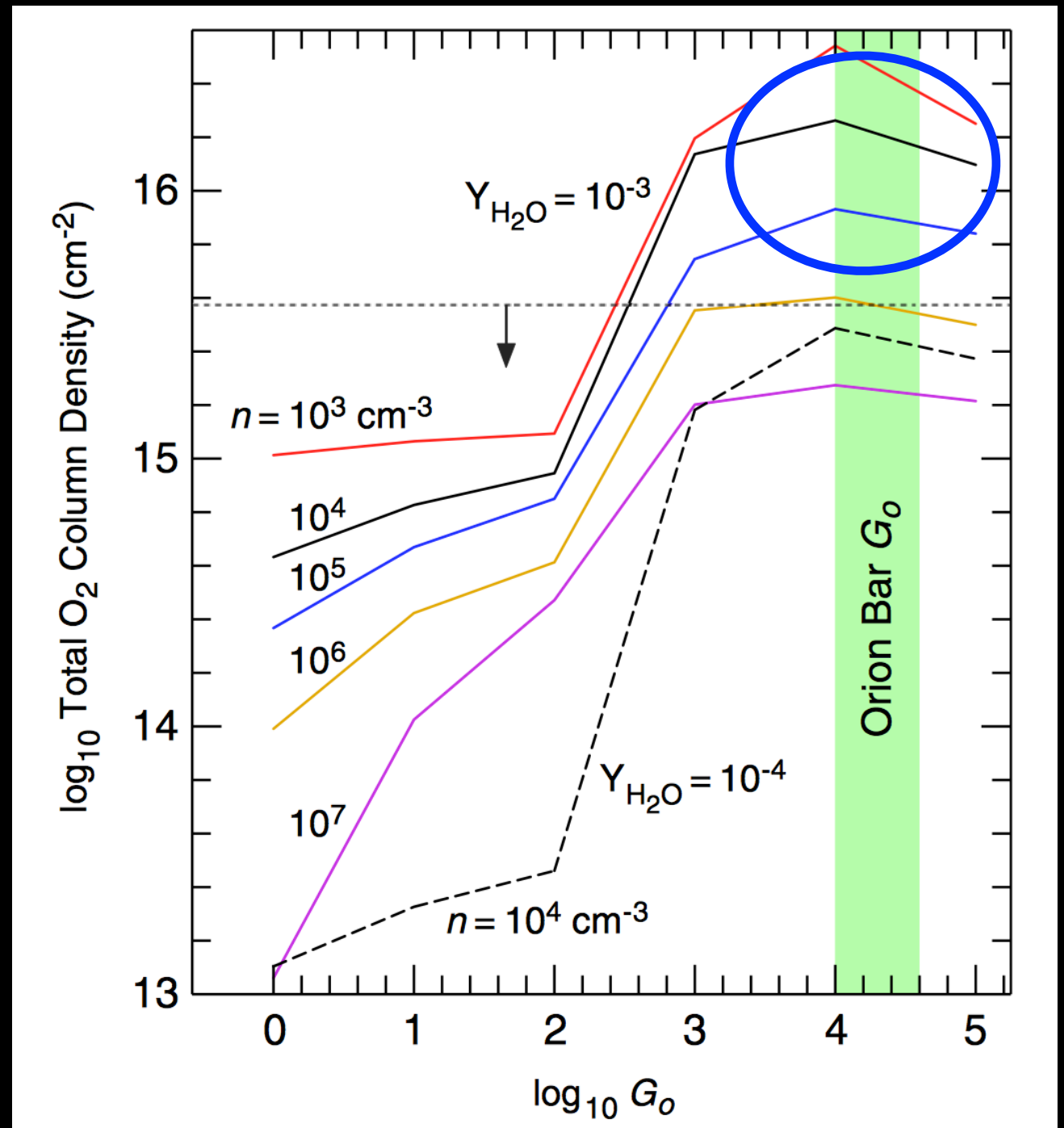


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# A Search for $O_2$ in the Orion Bar (Melnick et al. 2012)

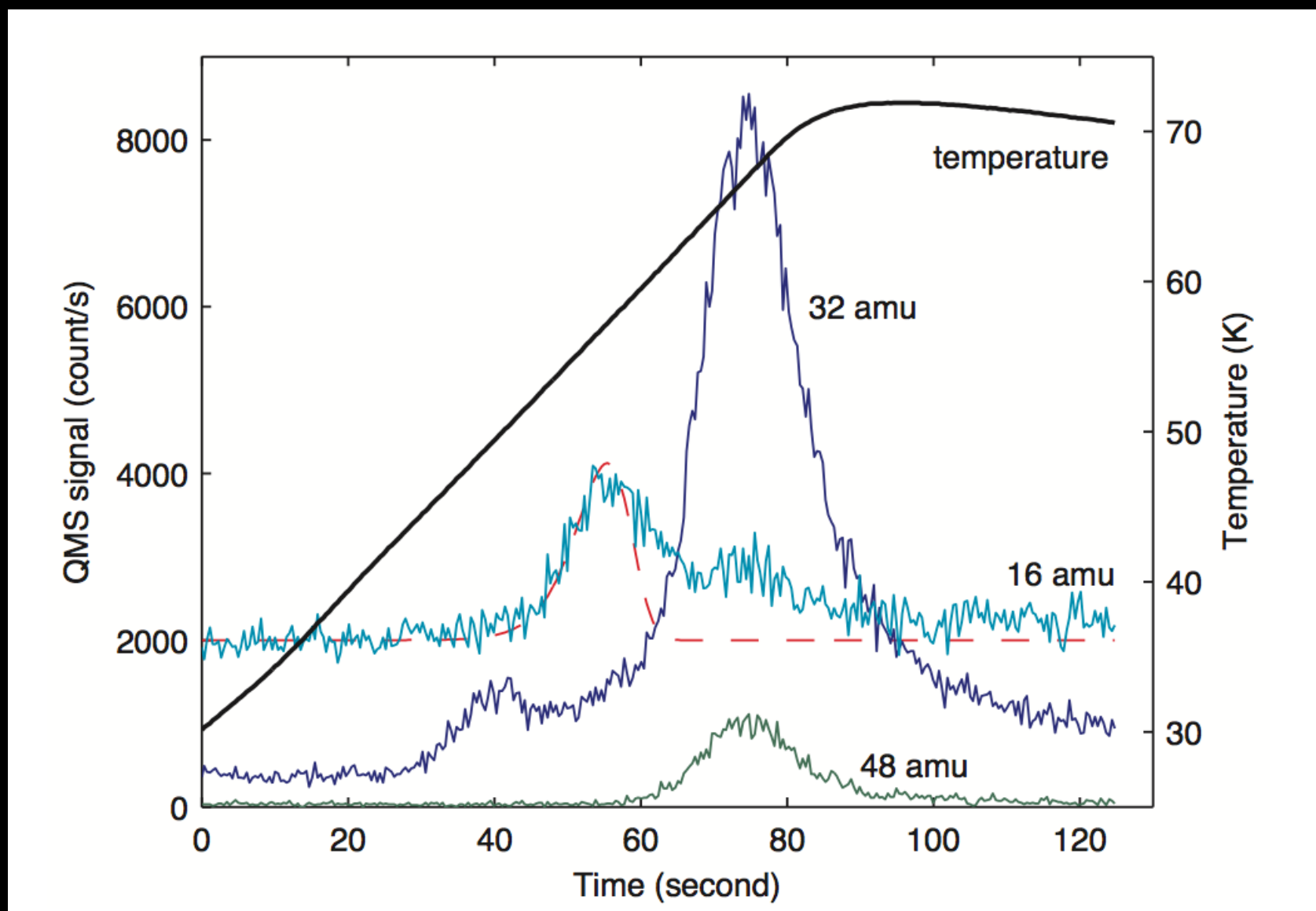
Use the high FUV field to  
test the model prediction



Upper limits rule out  
binding energy this low

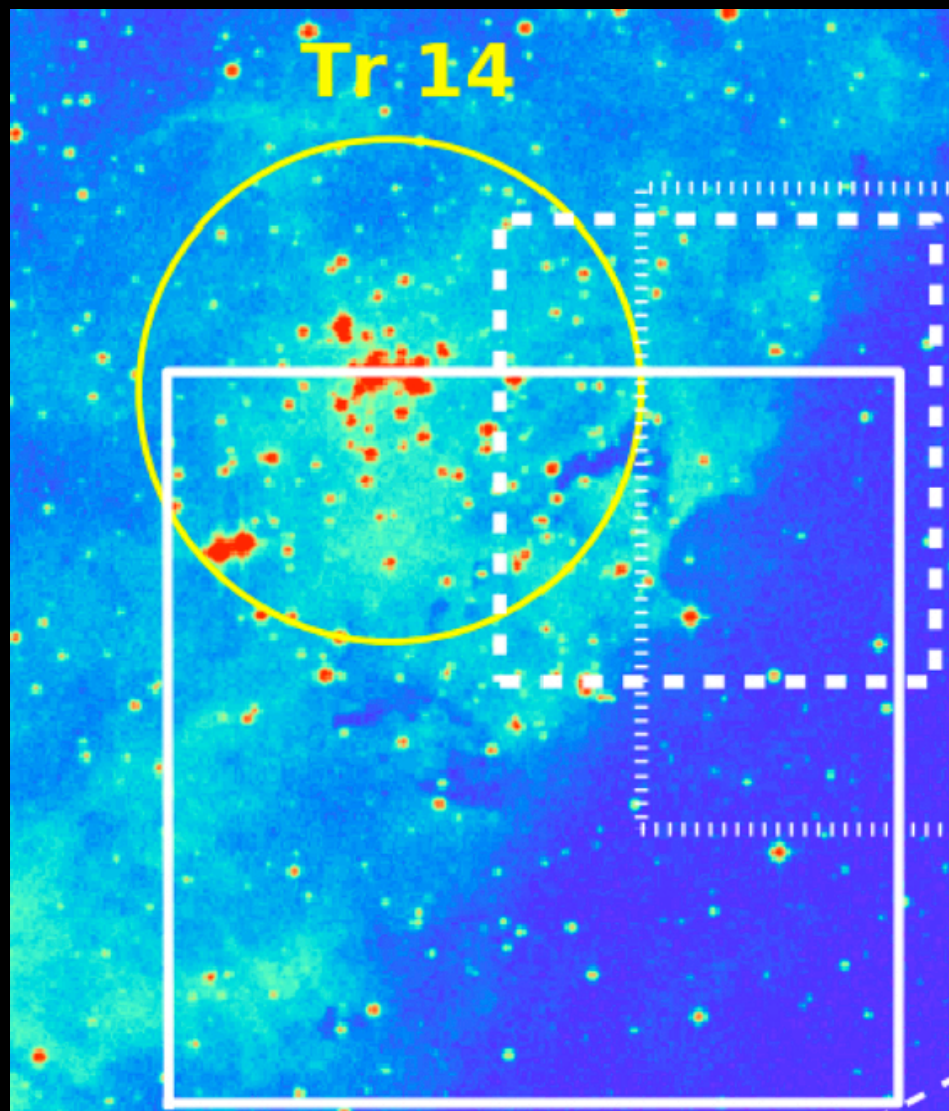
The discrepancy between the model predictions and our observations would be reduced, if not eliminated, if the adsorption energy of atomic oxygen to water ice were greater than 800 K, and possibly as high as 1600 K. A lower value for the photodesorption yield for  $H_2O$  would help, but is not supported by fits to other astronomical data or recent theoretical calculations and laboratory measurements. A

# New lab results (He et al. 2015)

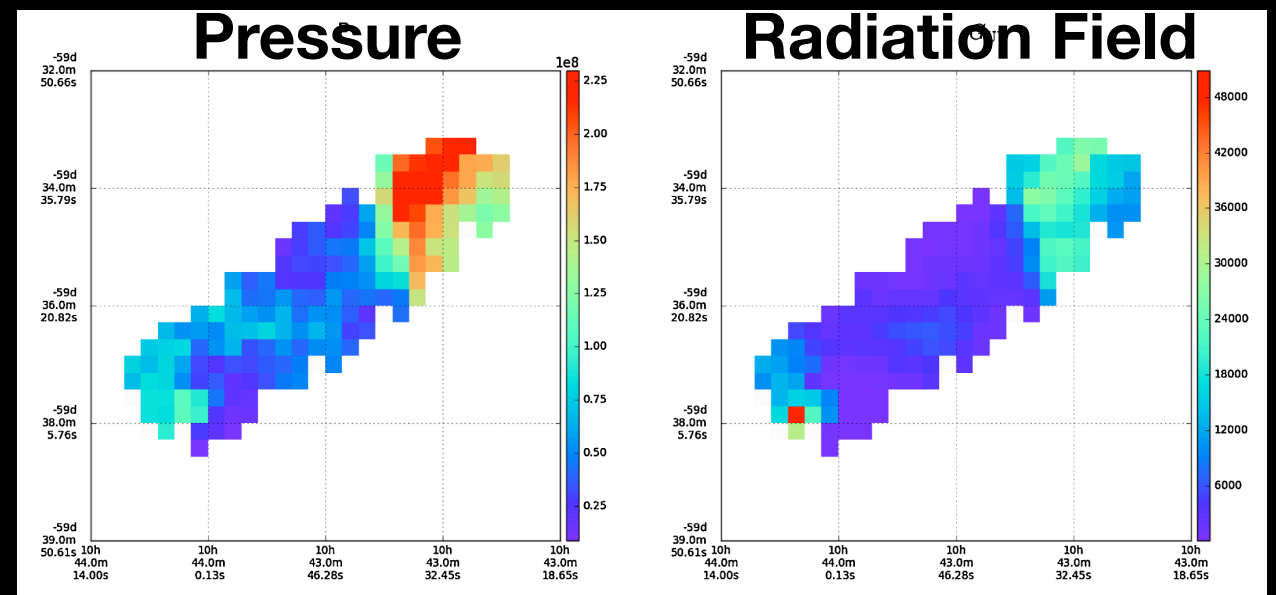


Surface	Desorption Peak Temperature	$E_{\text{des}}(\text{O})$
Porous water ice	$56 \pm 2 \text{ K}$	$1660 \pm 60 \text{ K}$
Amorphous silicate	$64 \pm 3 \text{ K}$	$1850 \pm 90 \text{ K}$

# Mapping PDR Conditions on Small Scales



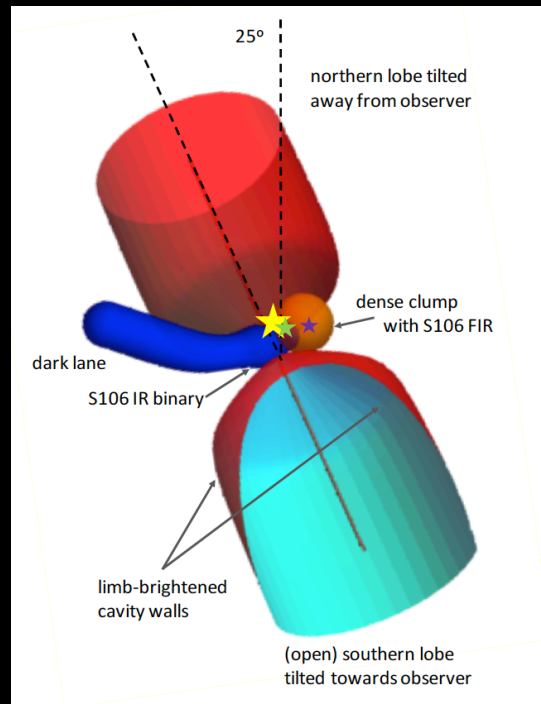
Trumpler 14 PDR - Wu+18  
Also: Seo+19



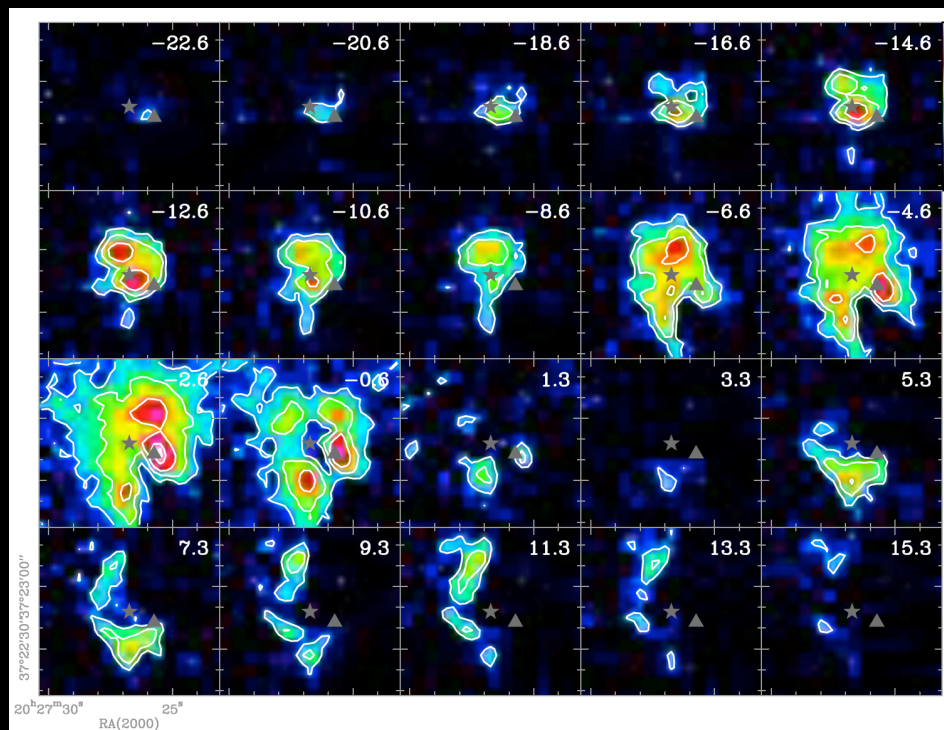
- **SPIRE/FTS: CO 5-4 to 13-12, CI 370 and 610**
- **PACS OI 63, 145 and CII 158**
- **Meudon PDR code fits to CO SLEDs and CI**
- **Matches with OI 63 and CII problematic: need resolved spectra**



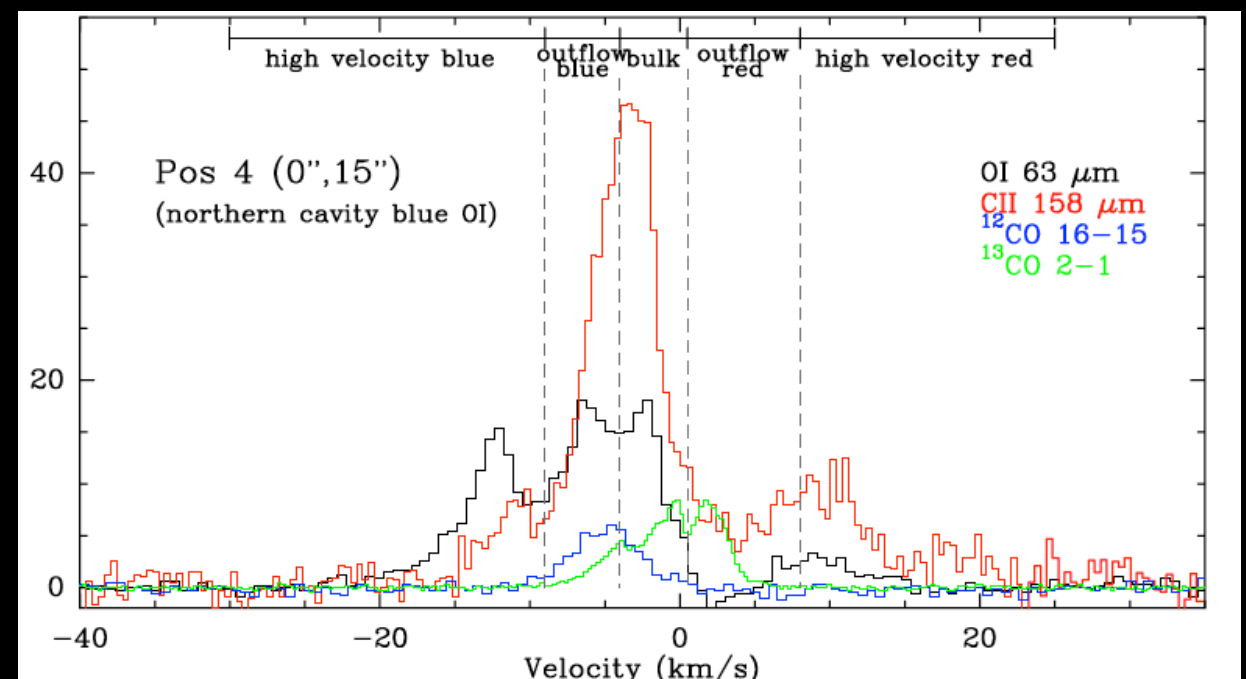
# High Spatial and Spectral Resolution Observations of S106: Schneider+18



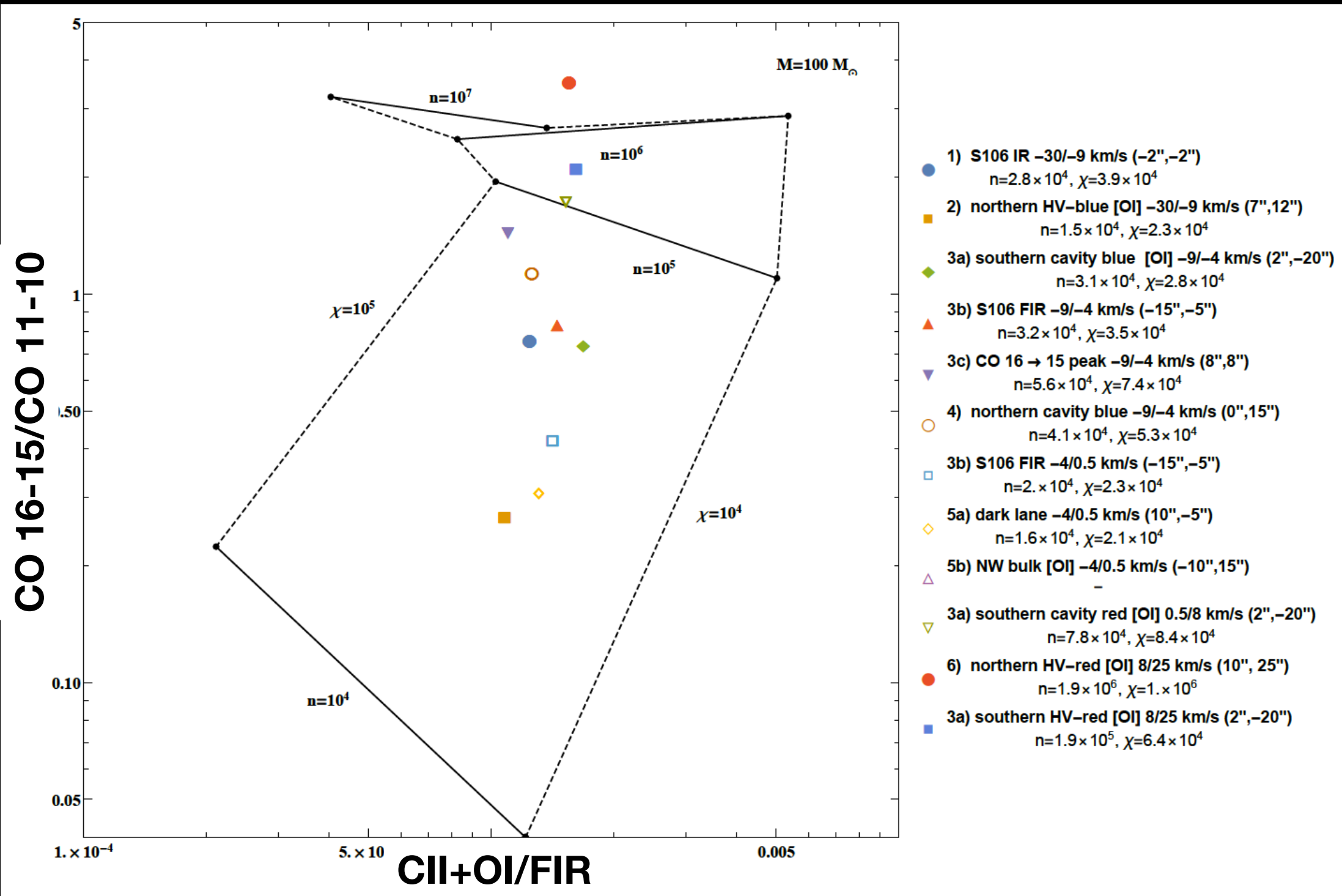
- **S106 Massive Star Forming Region**
- **Binary providing FUV illumination of outflow cavity walls and dense molecular clump**
- **Observed with SOFIA/GREAT in CII 158, OI 63, CO 16-15**
- **KOSMA- $\tau$  models used to compare intensities in different velocity ranges**



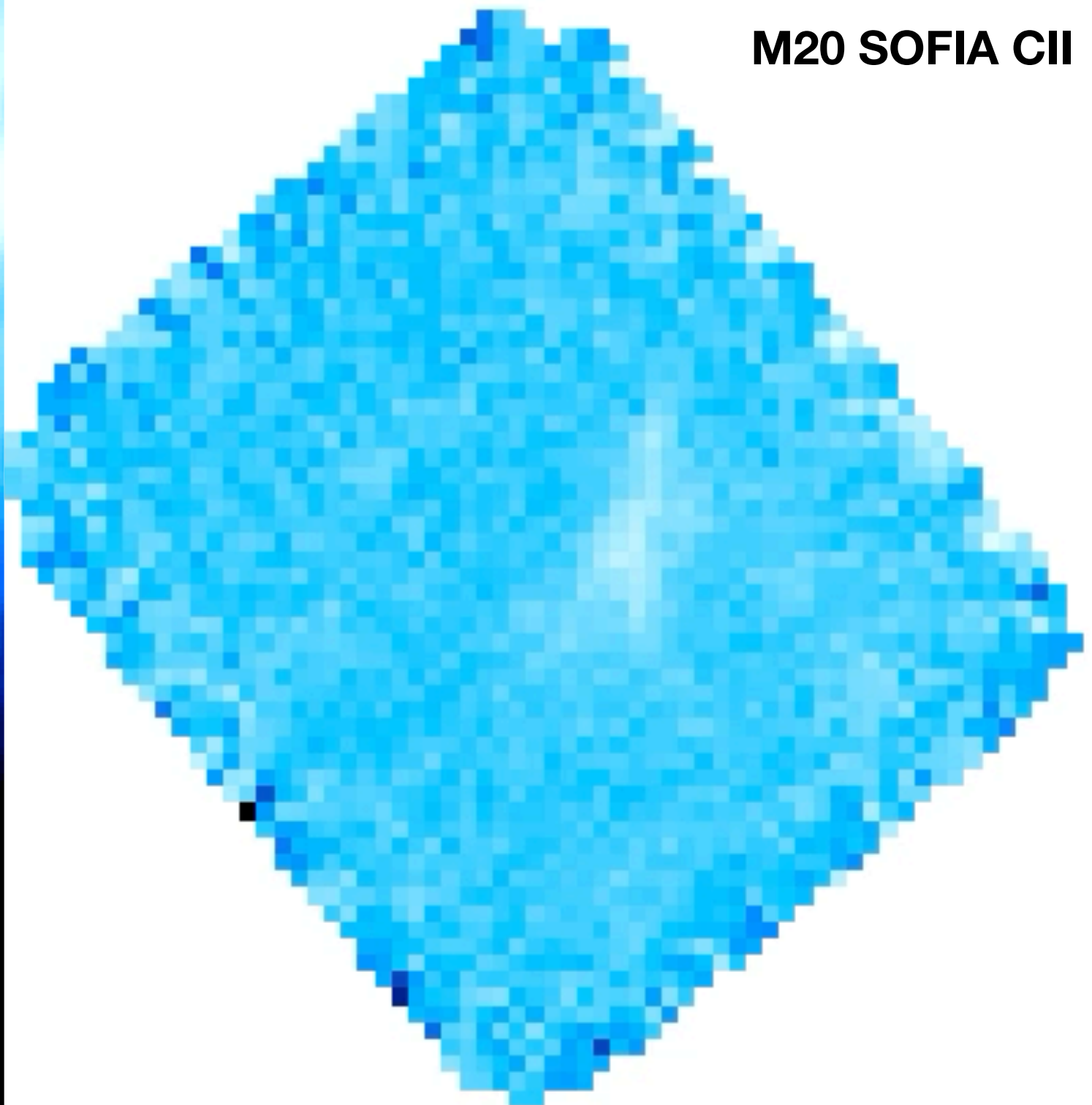
**SOFIA OI 63 $\mu$ m Channel Maps**



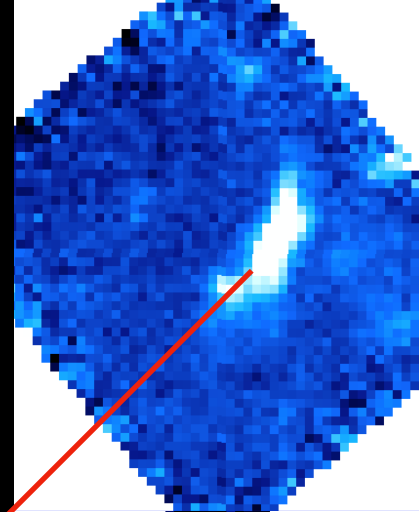
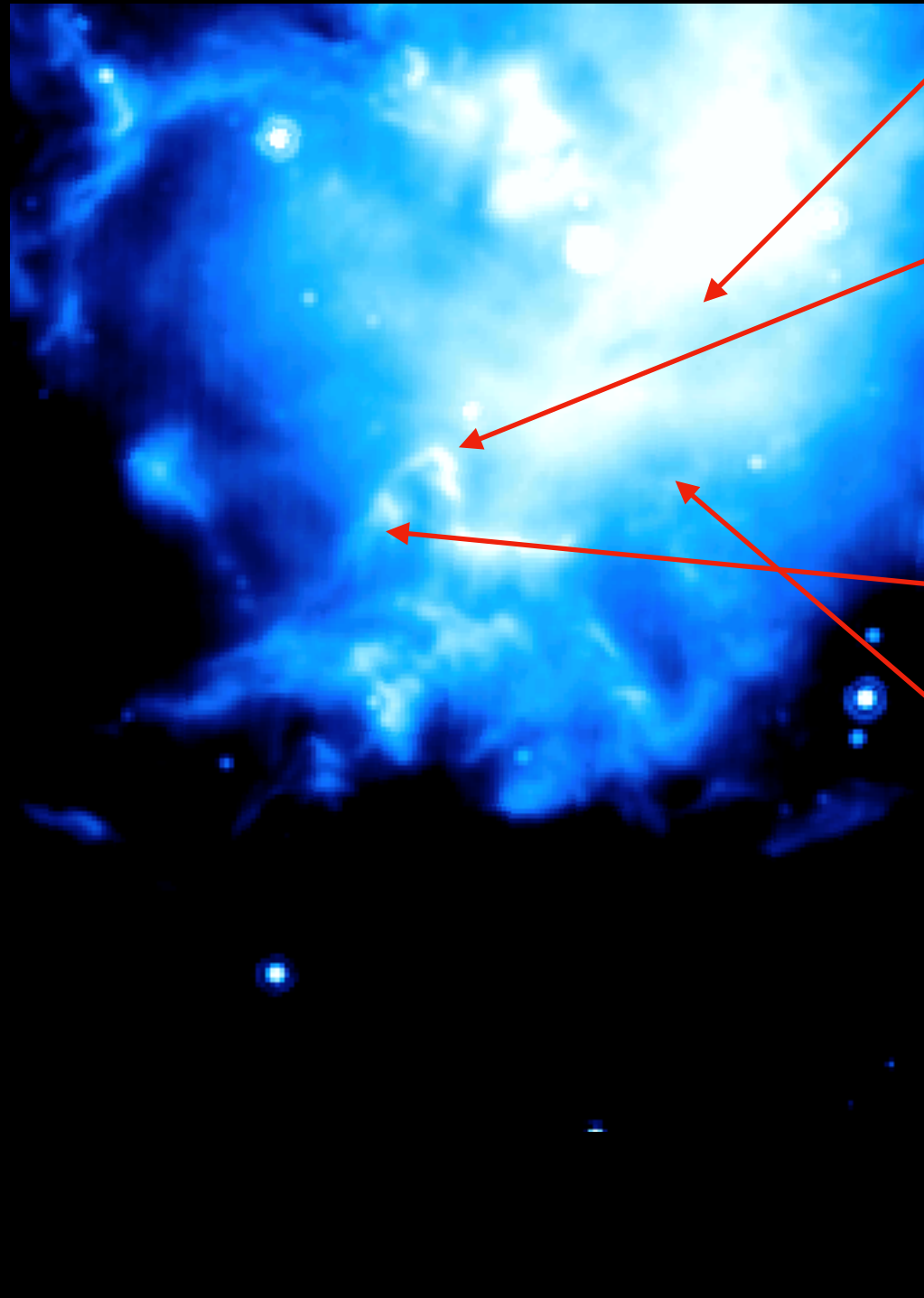
# Model Results - Separate Components by Velocity



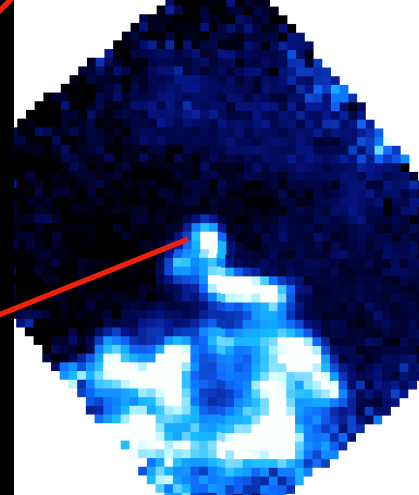
# Spatially and Spectrally Resolved Galactic PDRs



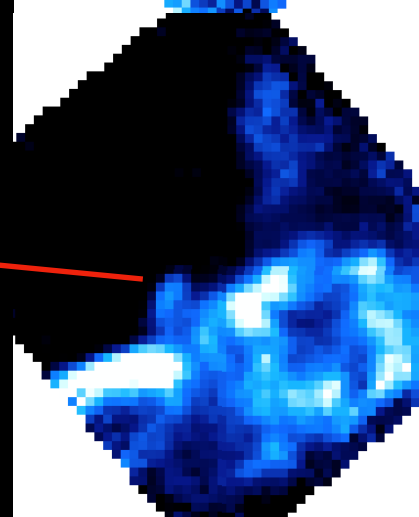
**Spitzer 8 $\mu$ m**



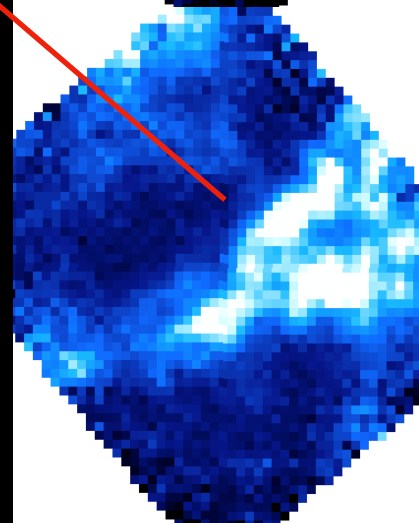
**-2.35 km/s**



**7.65 km/s**



**+10.15 km/s**



**+13.15 km/s**

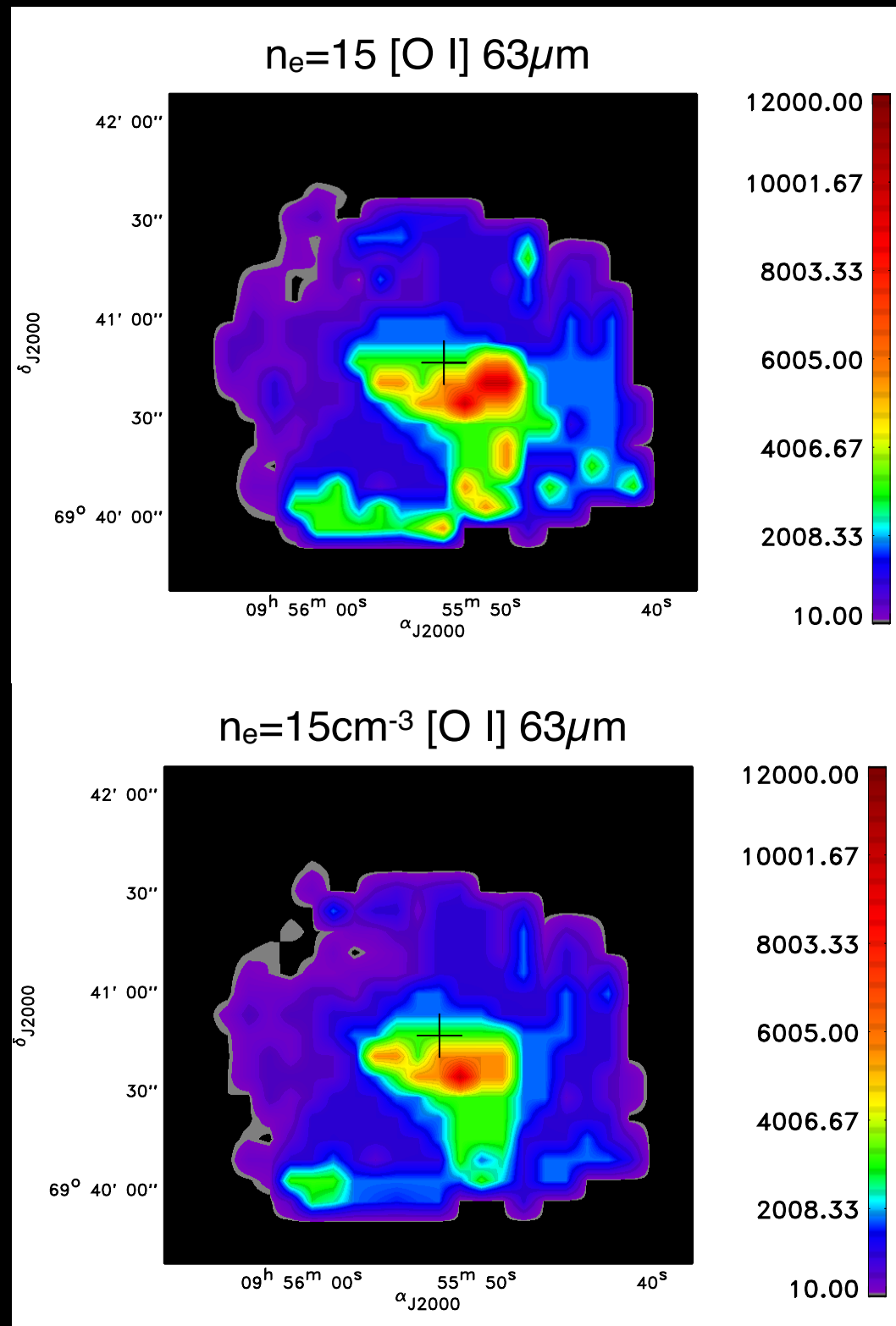
**upGREAT CII**



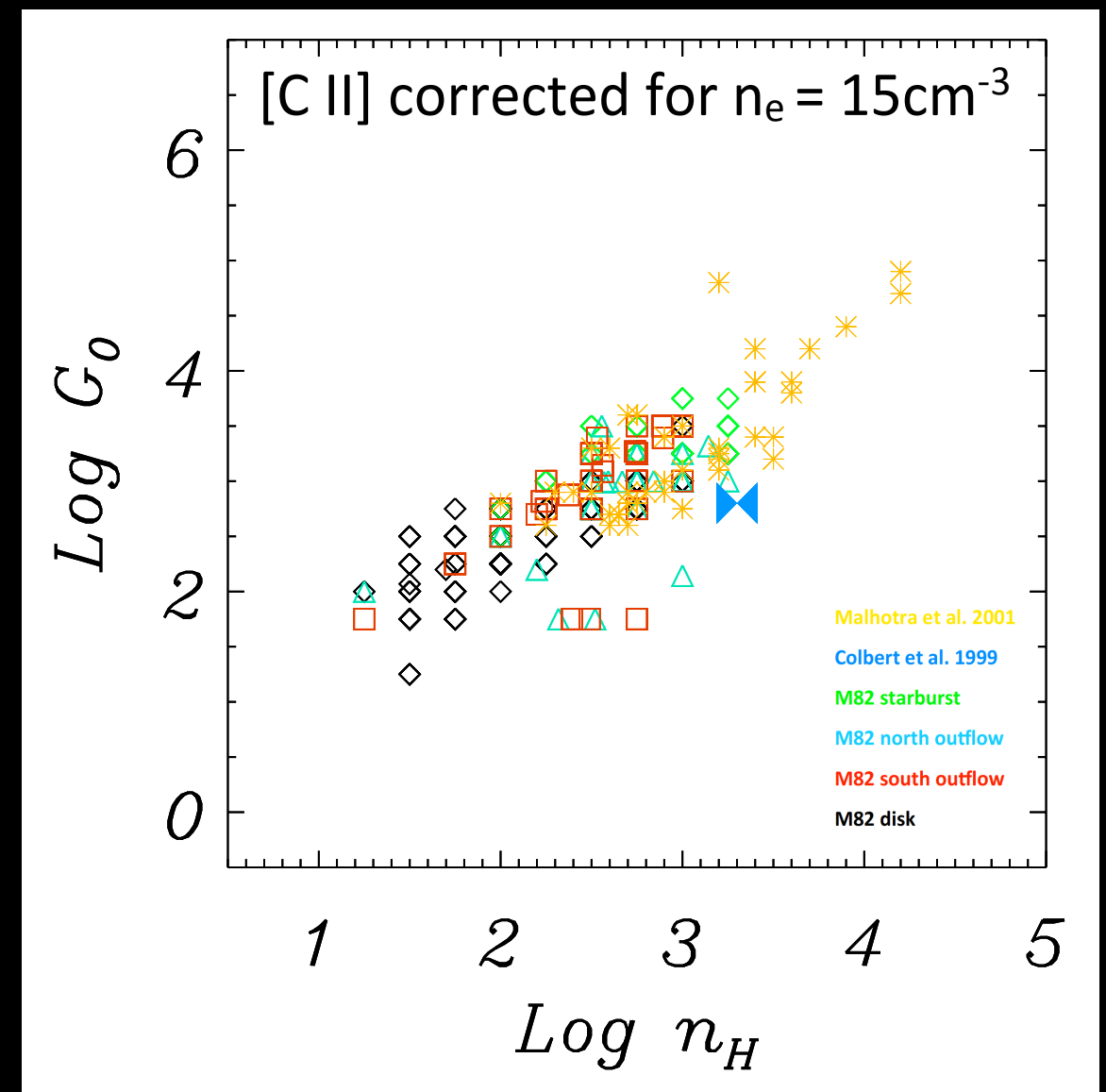
# Herschel PACS M82 PDR Map: Neutral Gas in Outflows, Disk and Starburst

FUV Flux,  $G_0$

Density,  $n$

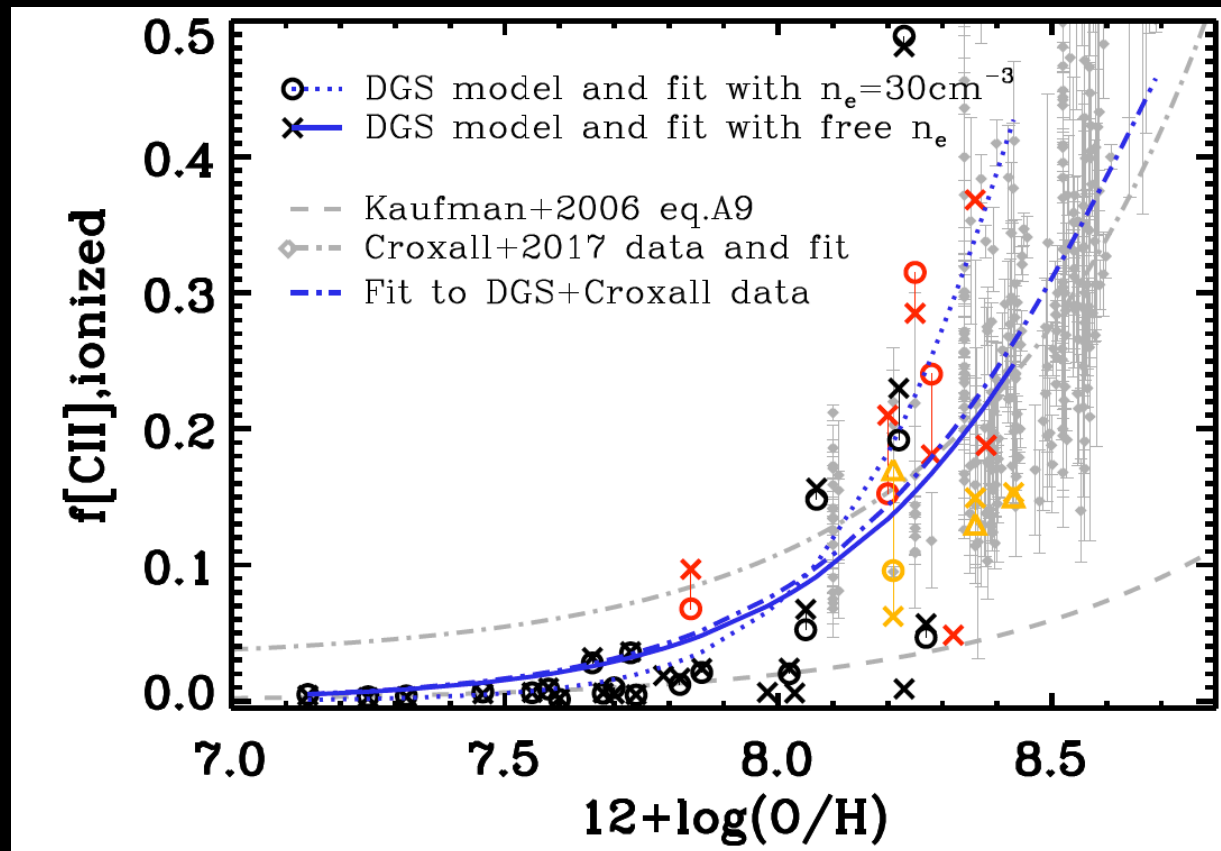


Mapping over  
~2kpc of the disk  
at ~200 pc scale



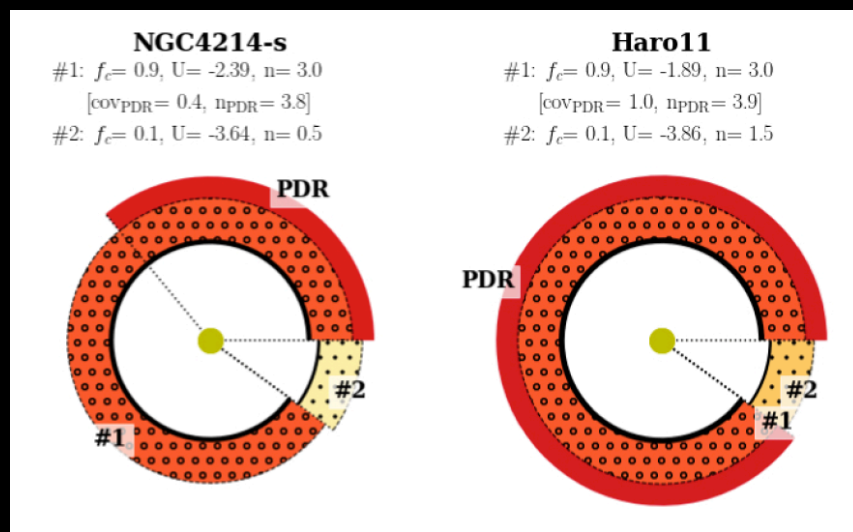
Contursi+2013

# Extragalactic Studies: Moving from the General to the Specific



**PDRs always dominate [CII] emission**  
**Cormier+19, Croxall+17, Dios-Santos+17**

- In low metallicity galaxies, [OIII] emission traces extended ionized gas regions with large volume filling factors
- CII emission is dominated by PDRs, which have thick CII layers surrounding small, weakly emitting CO cores
- CII good for tracing SFR at high redshift



# Most Distant Lensed Quasar

## $z=6.52$

**J0439+1634**  
**Fan+19**

multiply lensed  
quasar

foreground  
galaxy

**Rest-frame FIR/Submm Lines**

**[CII] 158 $\mu$ m**

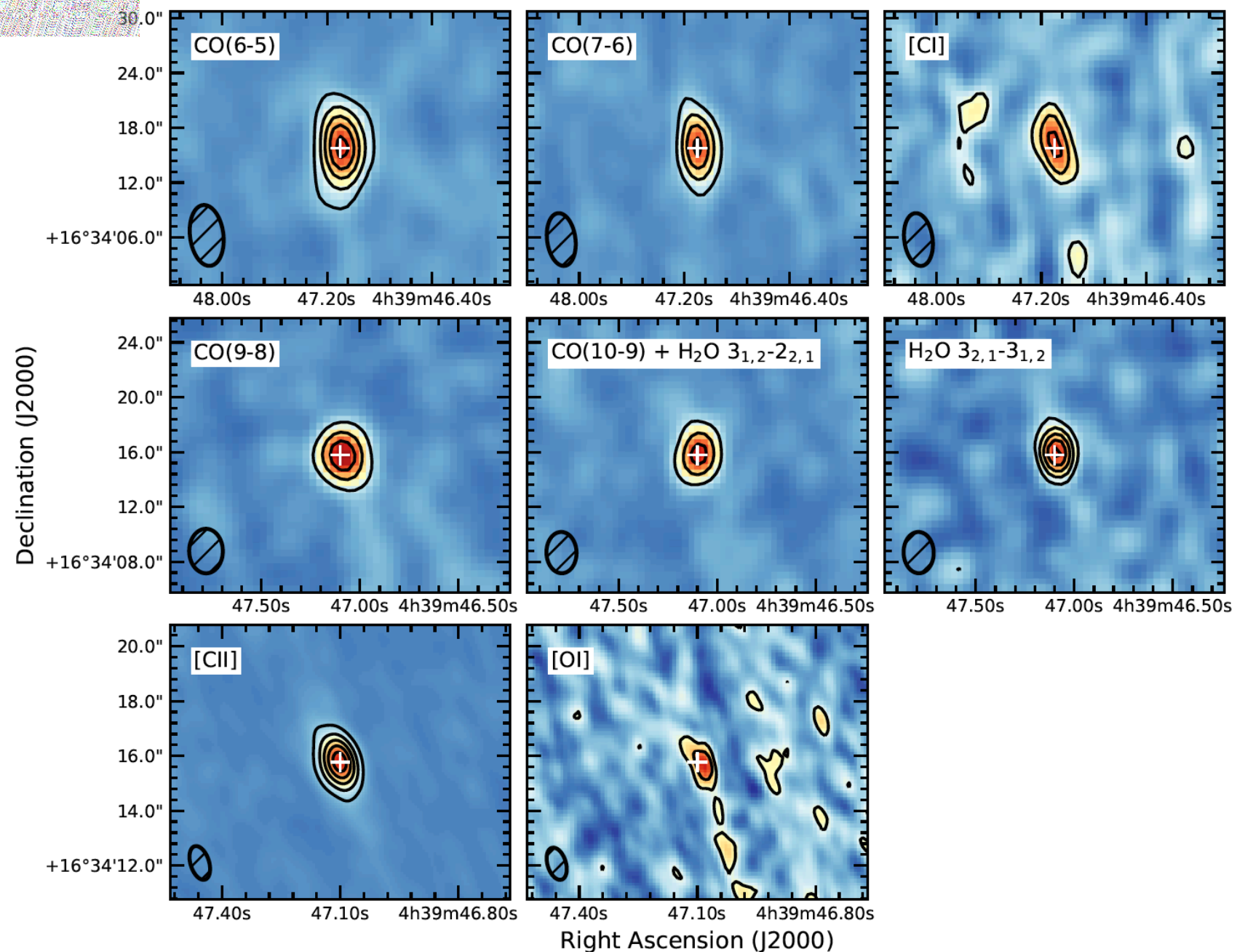
**[CI] 370**

**[OI] 145**

**CO 6-5, 7-6, 9-8, 10-9**

**H<sub>2</sub>O 3<sub>1,2</sub>-2<sub>2,1</sub> and 3<sub>2,1</sub>-3<sub>1,2</sub>**

**FIR Continuum**

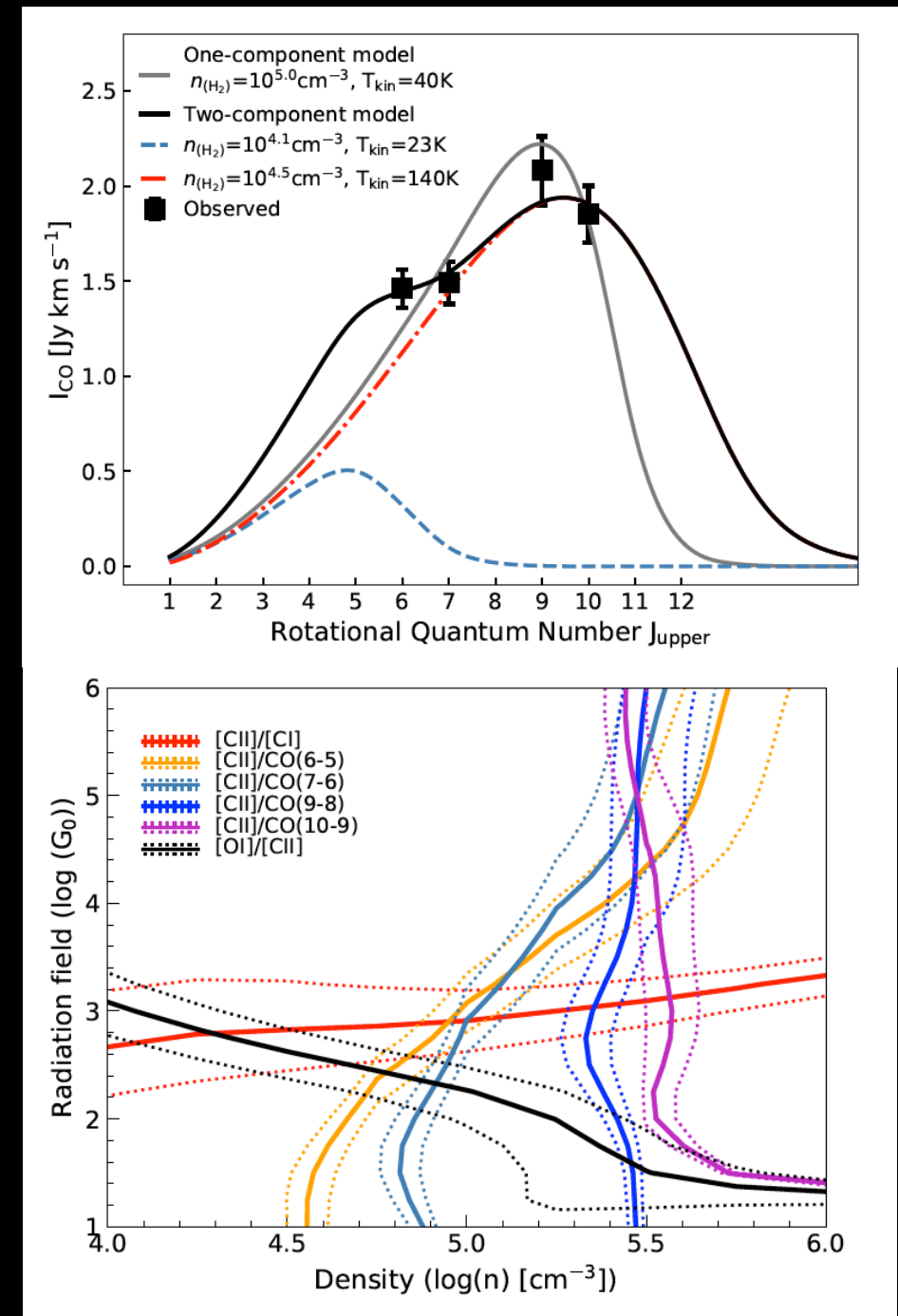


**Host galaxy magnification  $\sim 2.6-6.6$**

**Yang+19**

# Physical Conditions at Very High Redshift

- CO SLED suggests two ISM components
- Comparison with PDR models gives high values of  $G_0$  and  $n$
- CO and CI give molecular gas masses of  $\sim 5 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$
- Strong lensing makes it possible that ALMA can be used to separate components





# Conclusions

- PDR Models have been around for ~35 years
- They continue to be useful, even for things Xander didn't lay claim to
- In “simple” situations, they can be used to make detailed measurements
- In more complex situations, spatial and spectral resolution can help

