

The WSRT HALOGAS Survey

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Context & survey design

Typical disk results

Results & work in progress

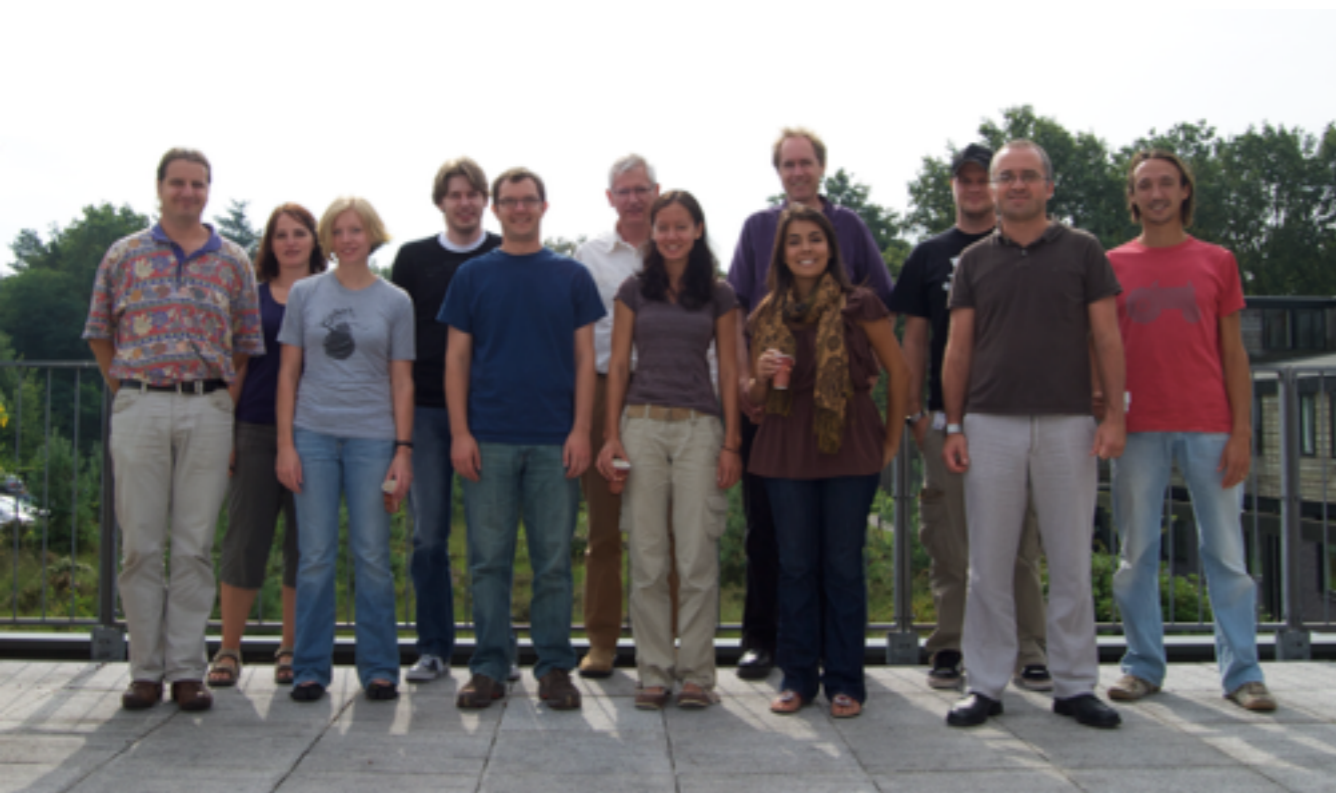
- Occurrence of thick HI disks in galaxies
- Prevalence of HI clouds

The future

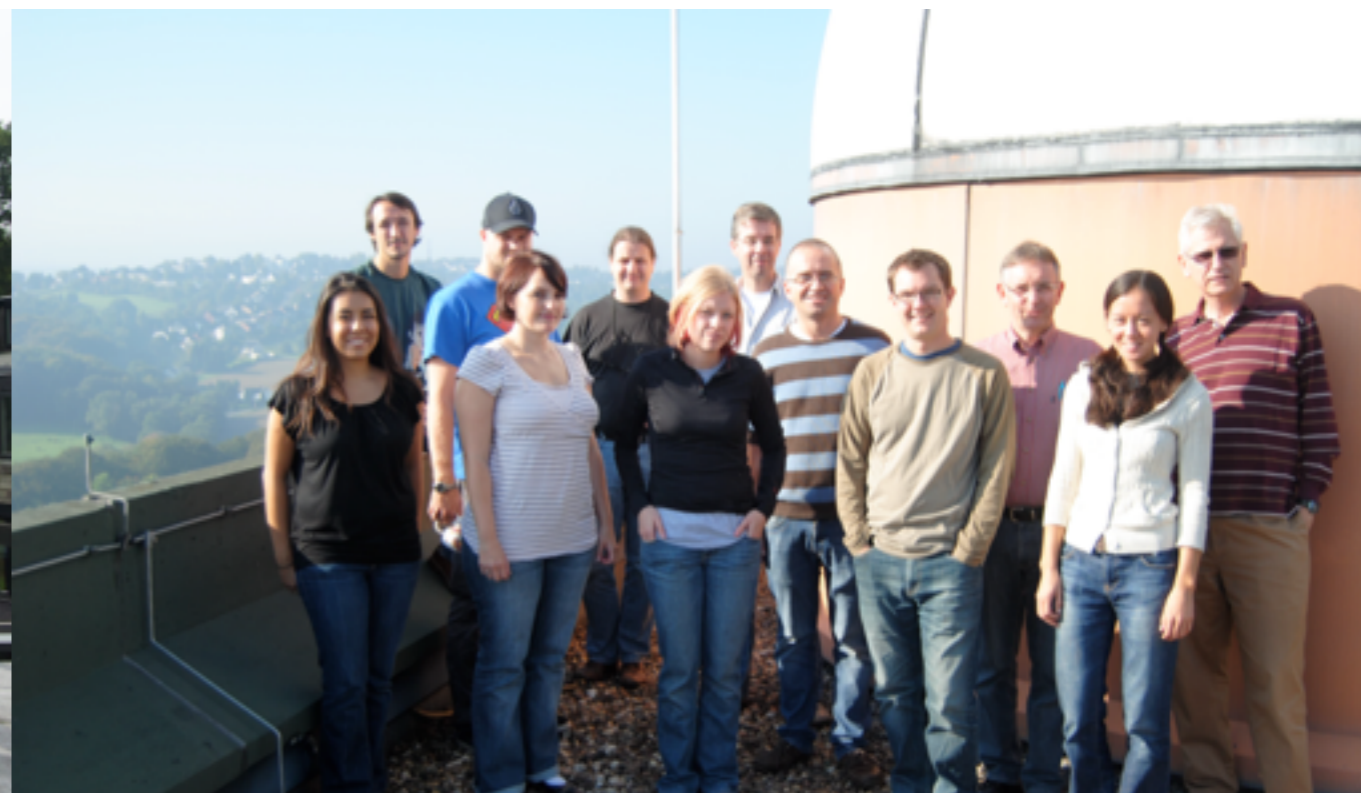
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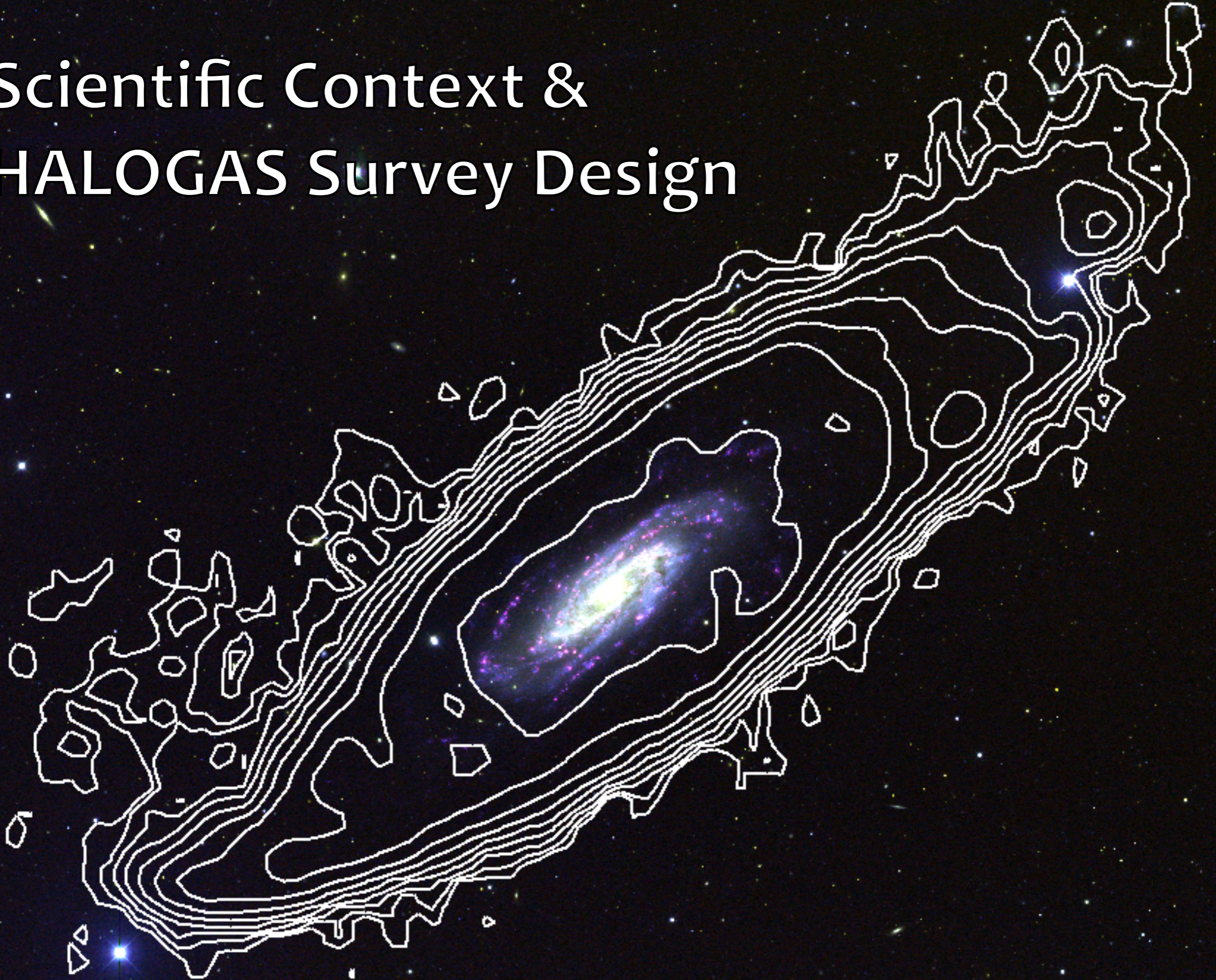


HALOGAS Meeting: Dwingeloo, August 2010



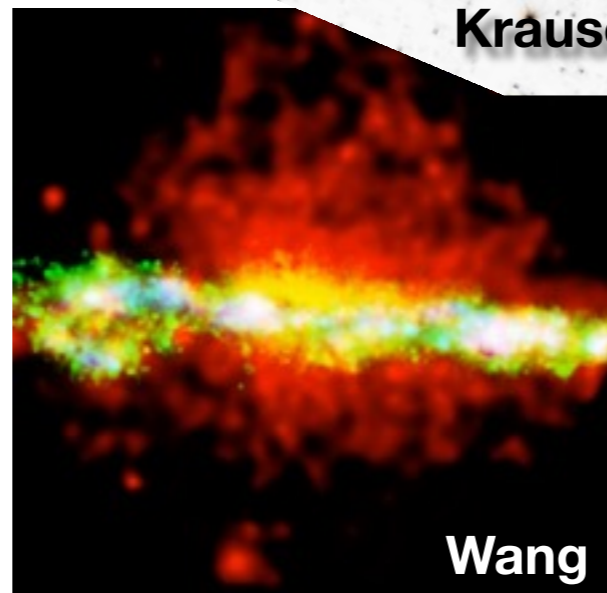
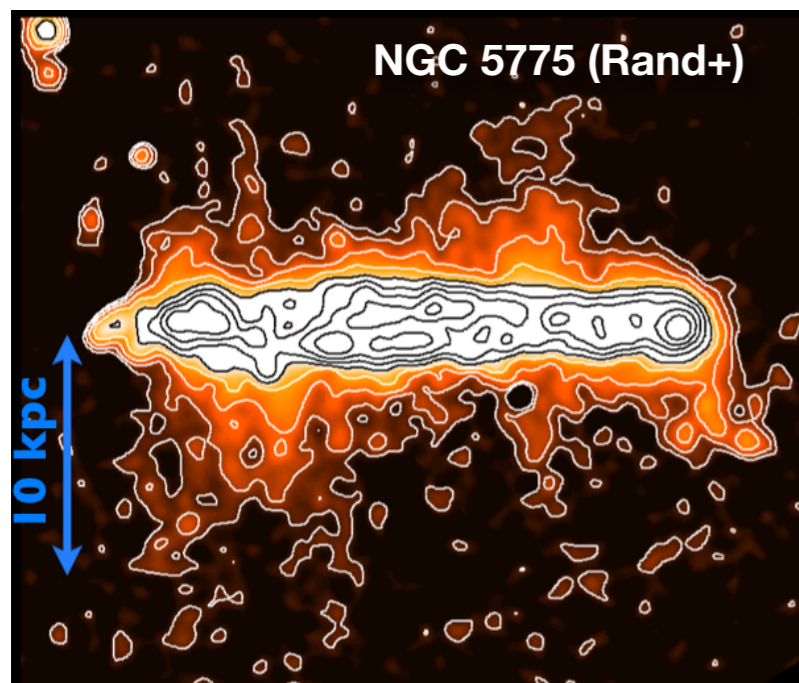
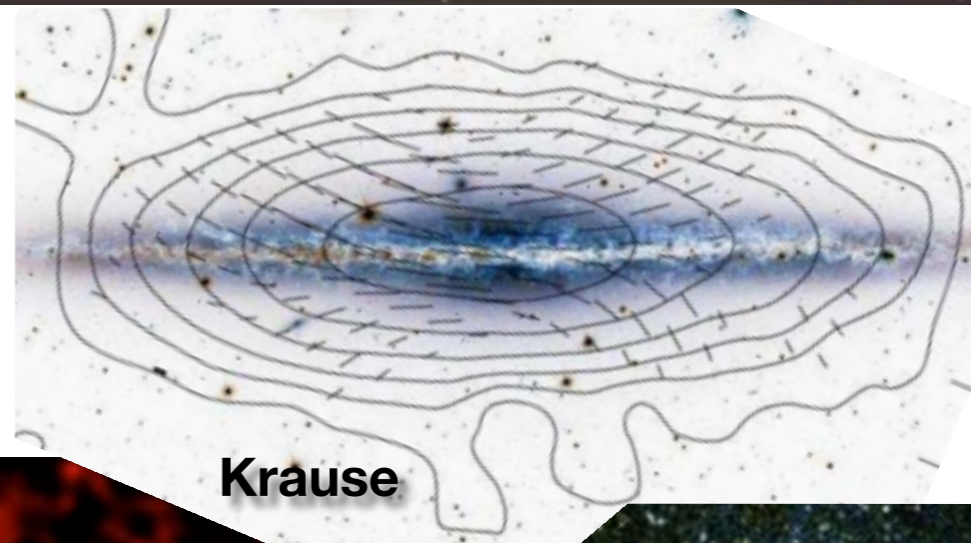
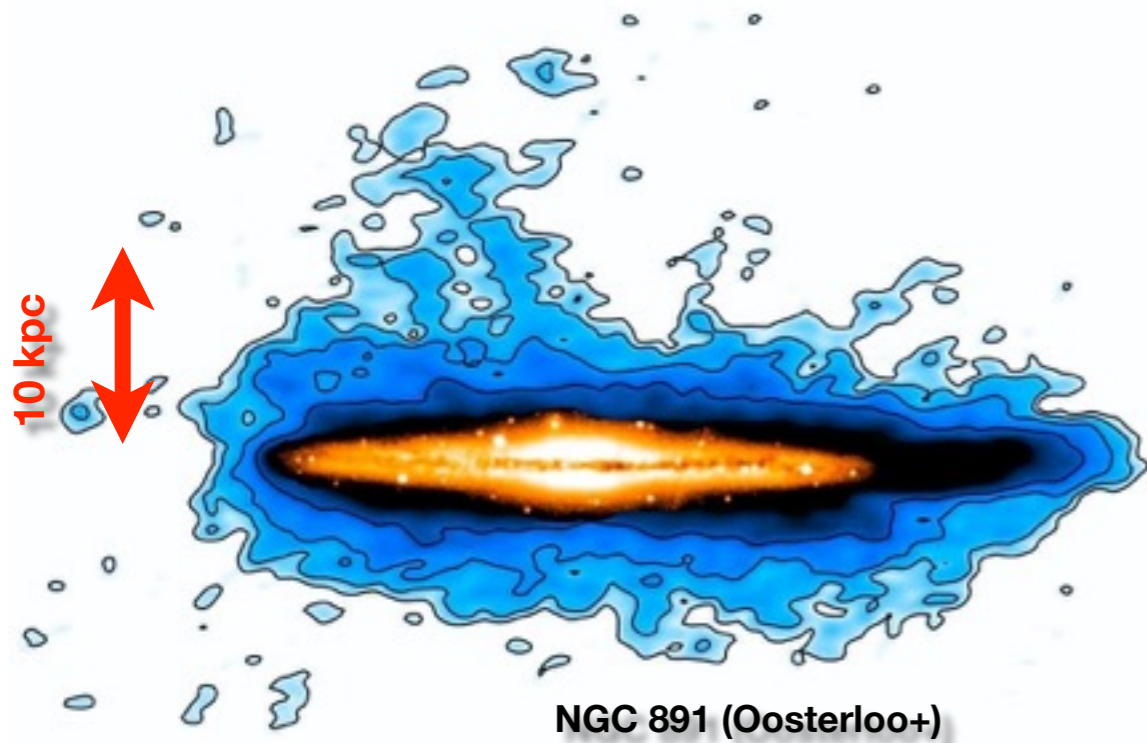
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Scientific Context & HALOGAS Survey Design

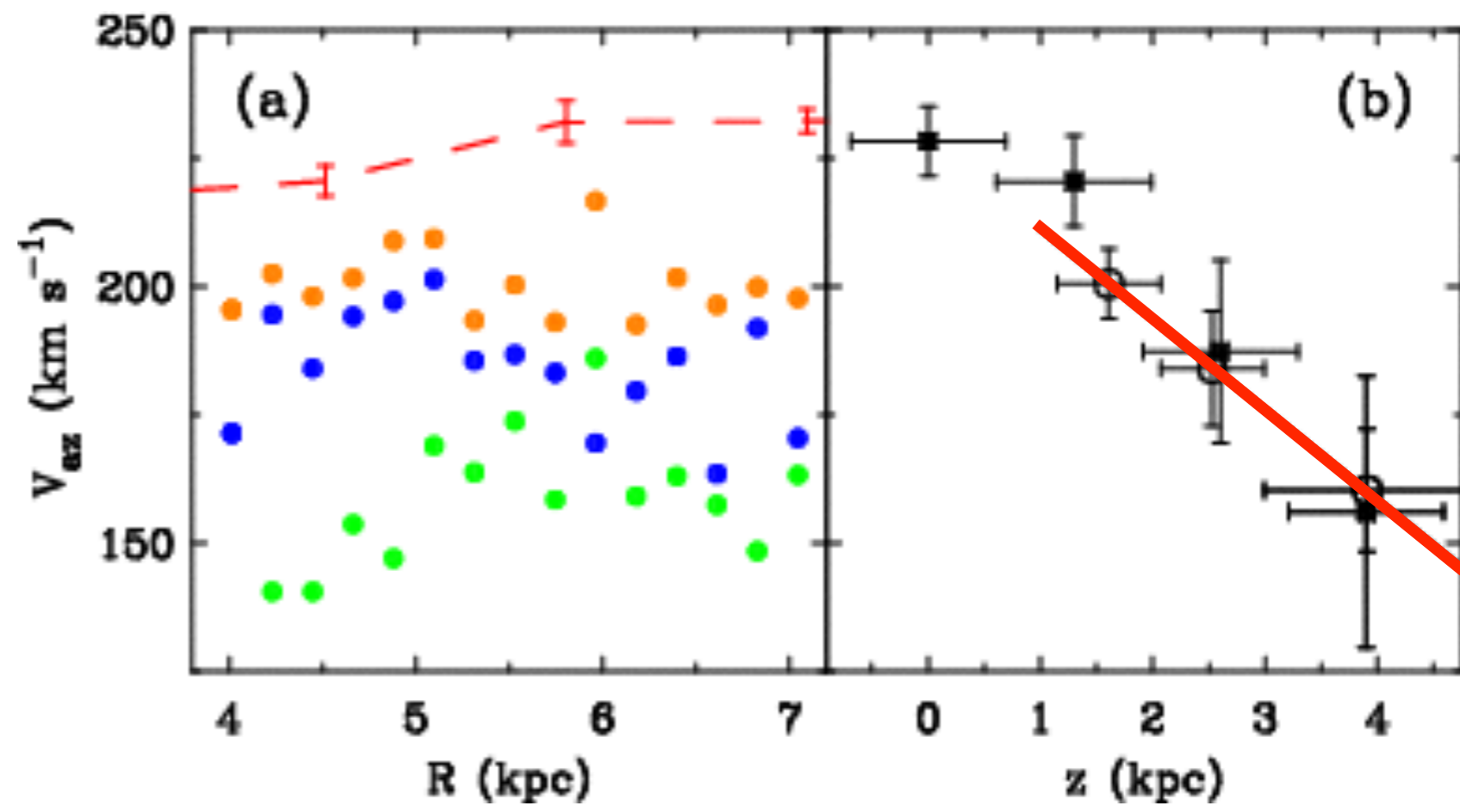
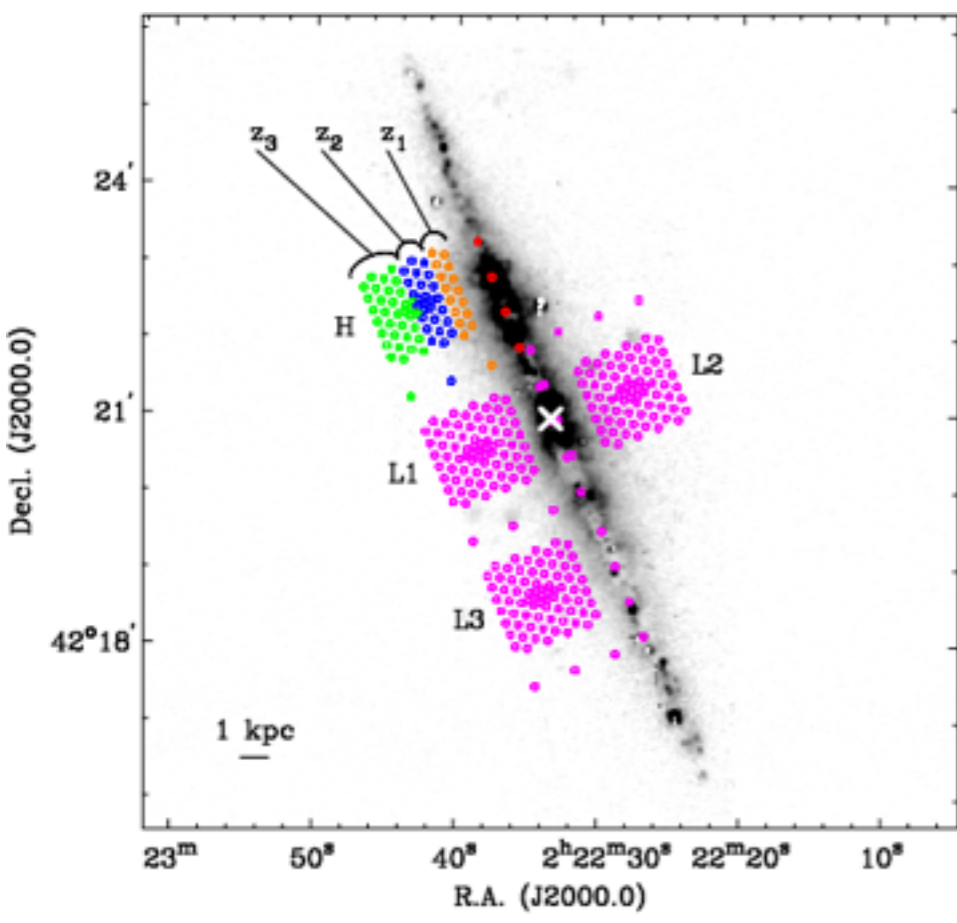


Multiphase extraplanar regions

- Deep observations of (edge-on) spirals show thick, vertically extended, multi-phase layers of **gas**, **dust**, and **magnetic fields**



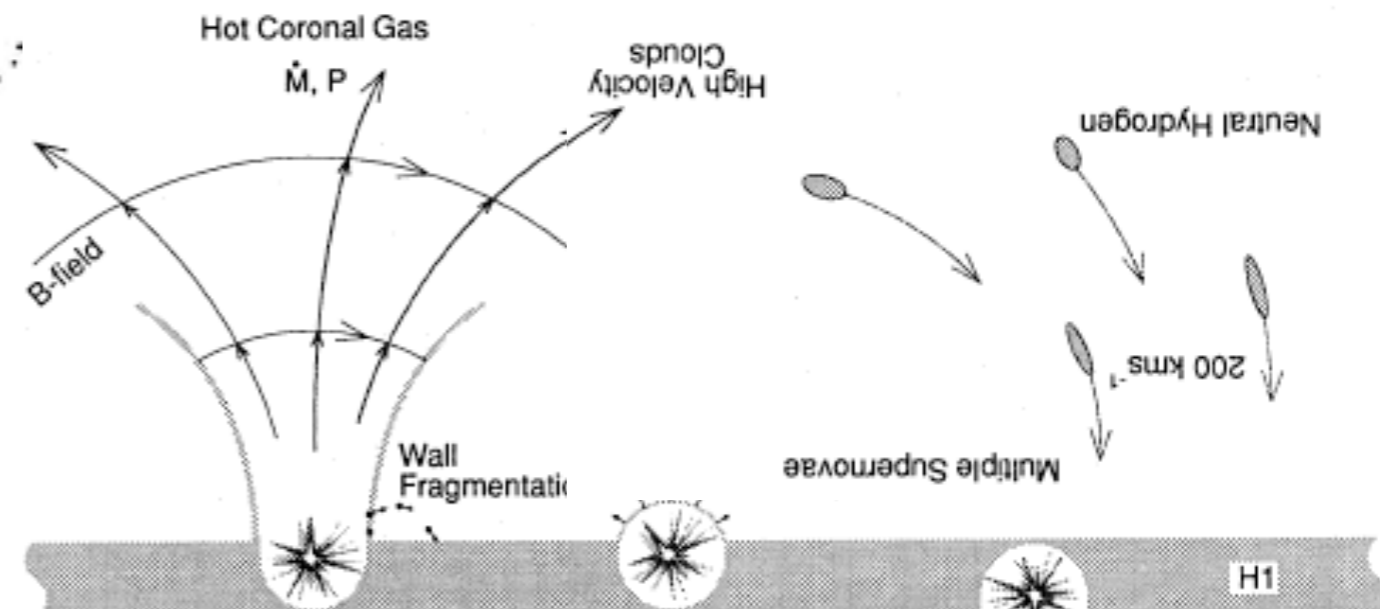
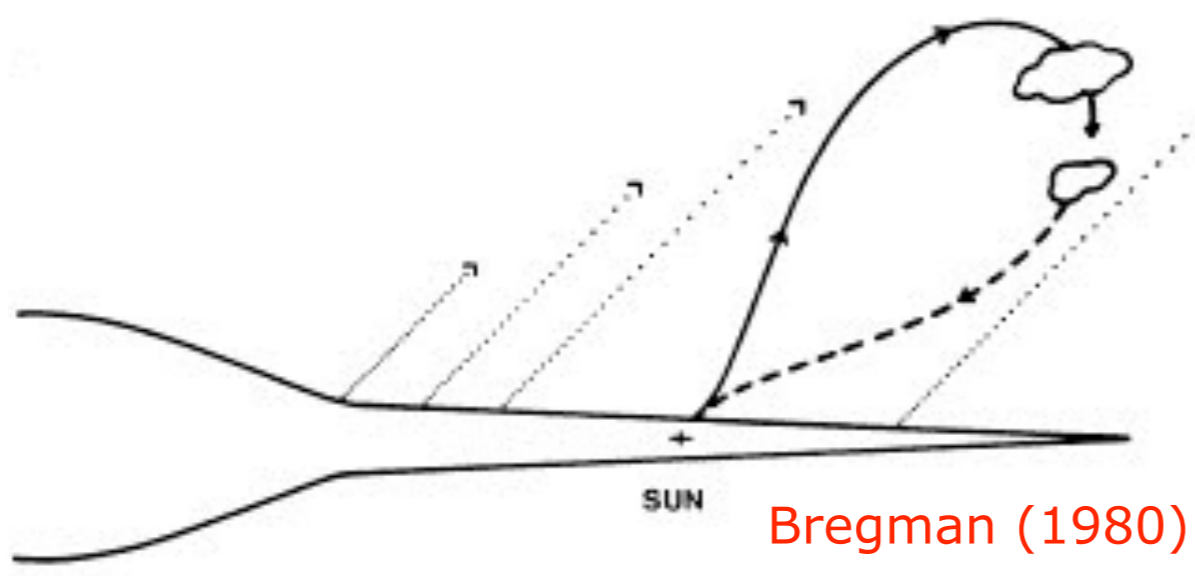
- Extraplanar kinematics “lag” the disk rotation curve
 - This means that thick disks can be identified *kinematically* in inclined galaxies



Heald et al. (2007)

Ionized gas kinematics match HI kinematics from Fraternali et al. (2005)

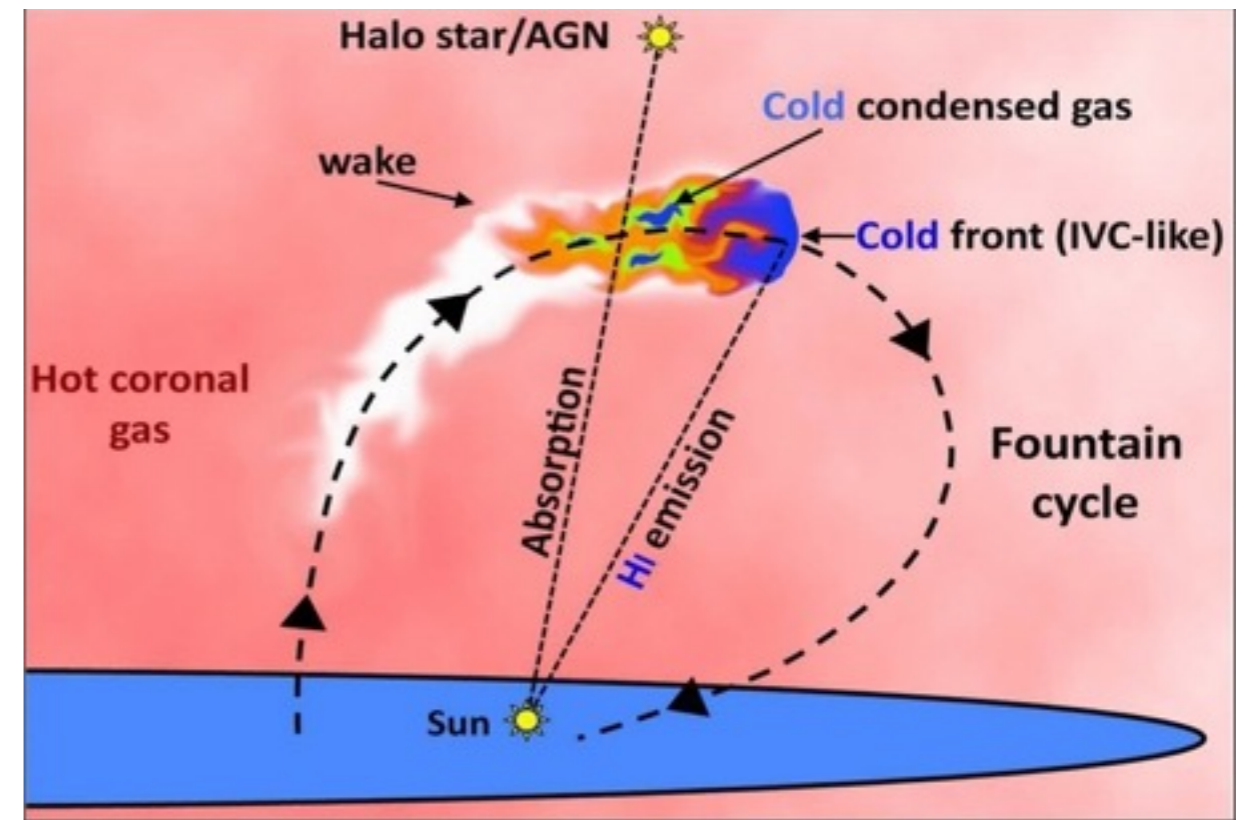
- Origin thought to be a mixture of galactic fountain / chimney



Norman & Ikeuchi (1989)

and swept-up coronal gas:

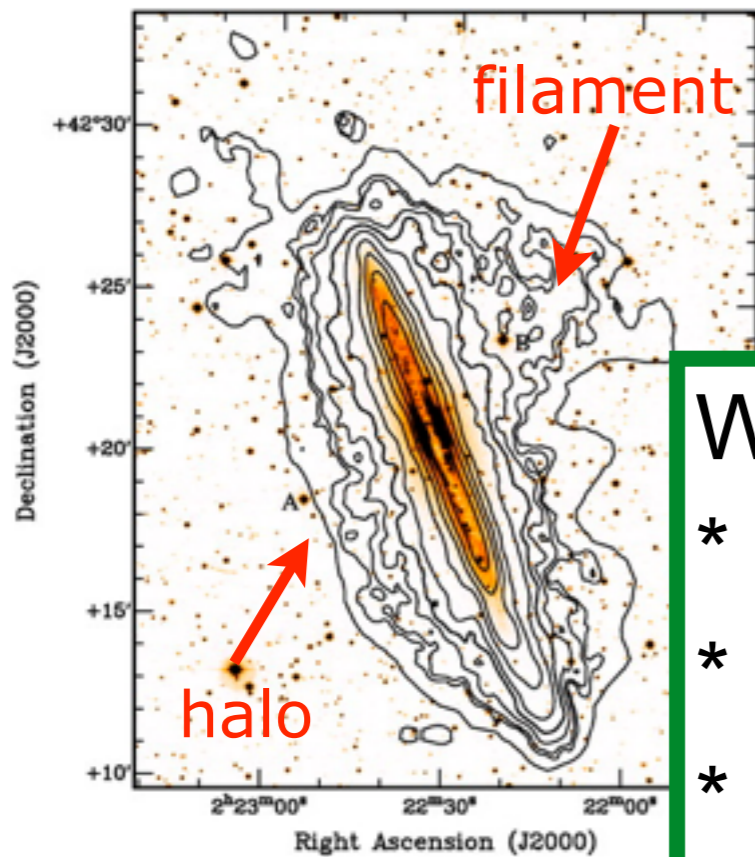
This combination can explain the kinematics, and appears to imply a reasonable accretion rate



Fraternali et al (2013)

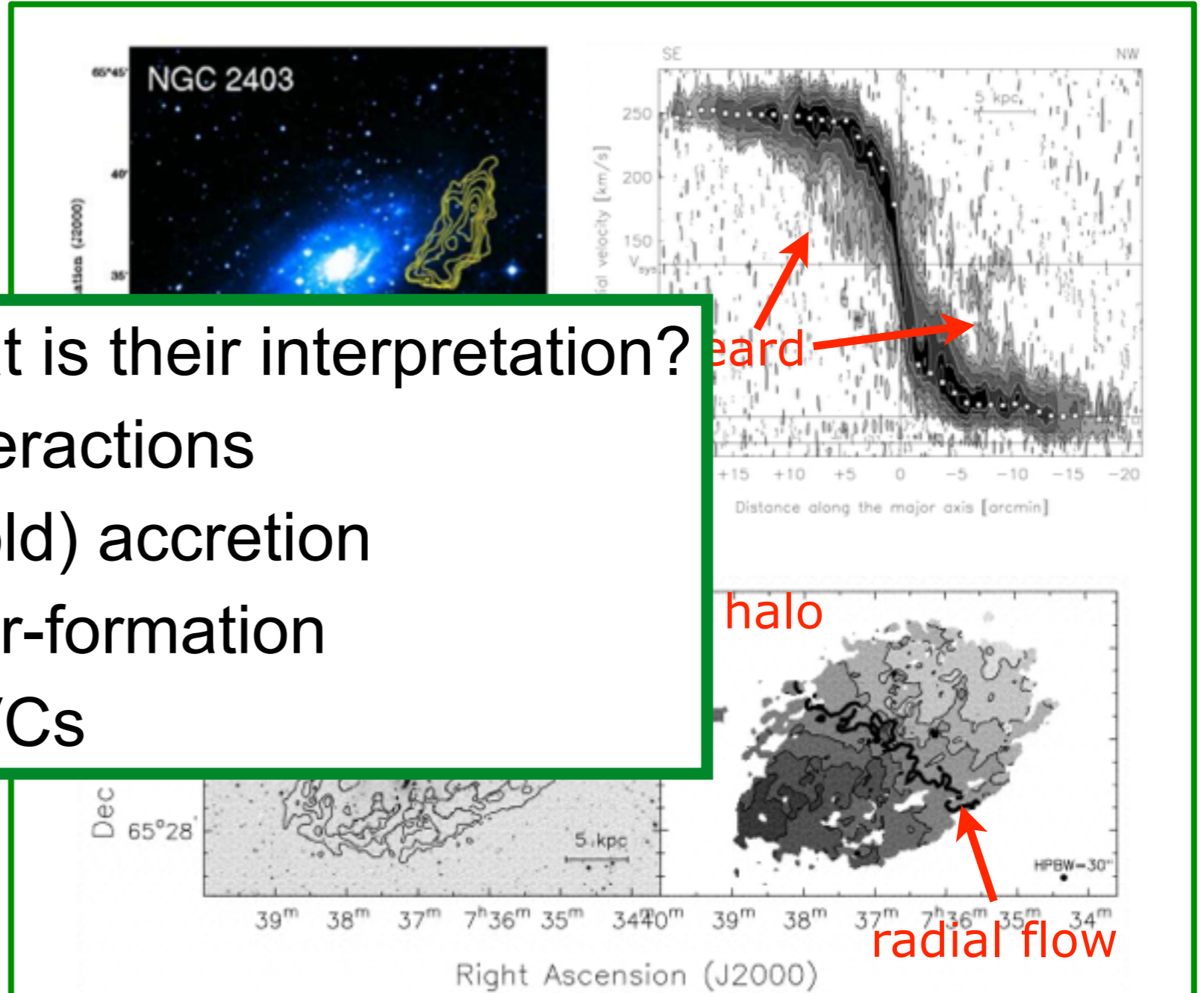
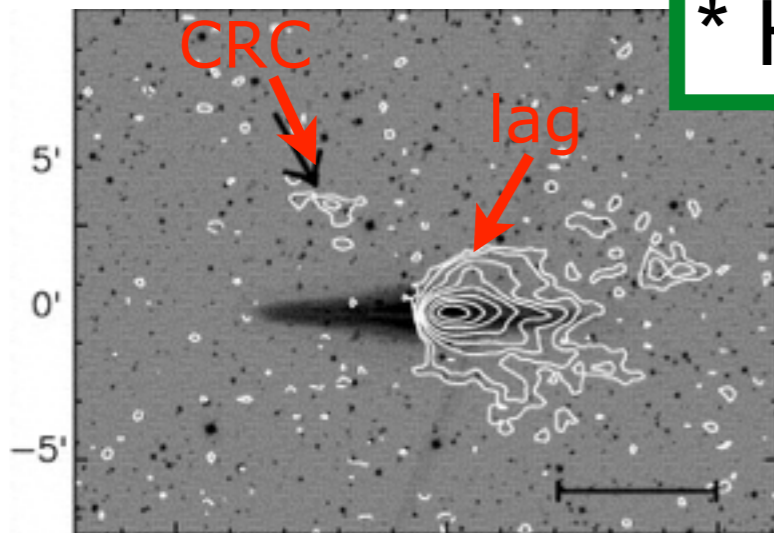
- How many nearby spiral galaxies show features like these?

Oosterloo et al. (2007)



What is their interpretation?

- * interactions
- * (cold) accretion
- * star-formation
- * HVCs

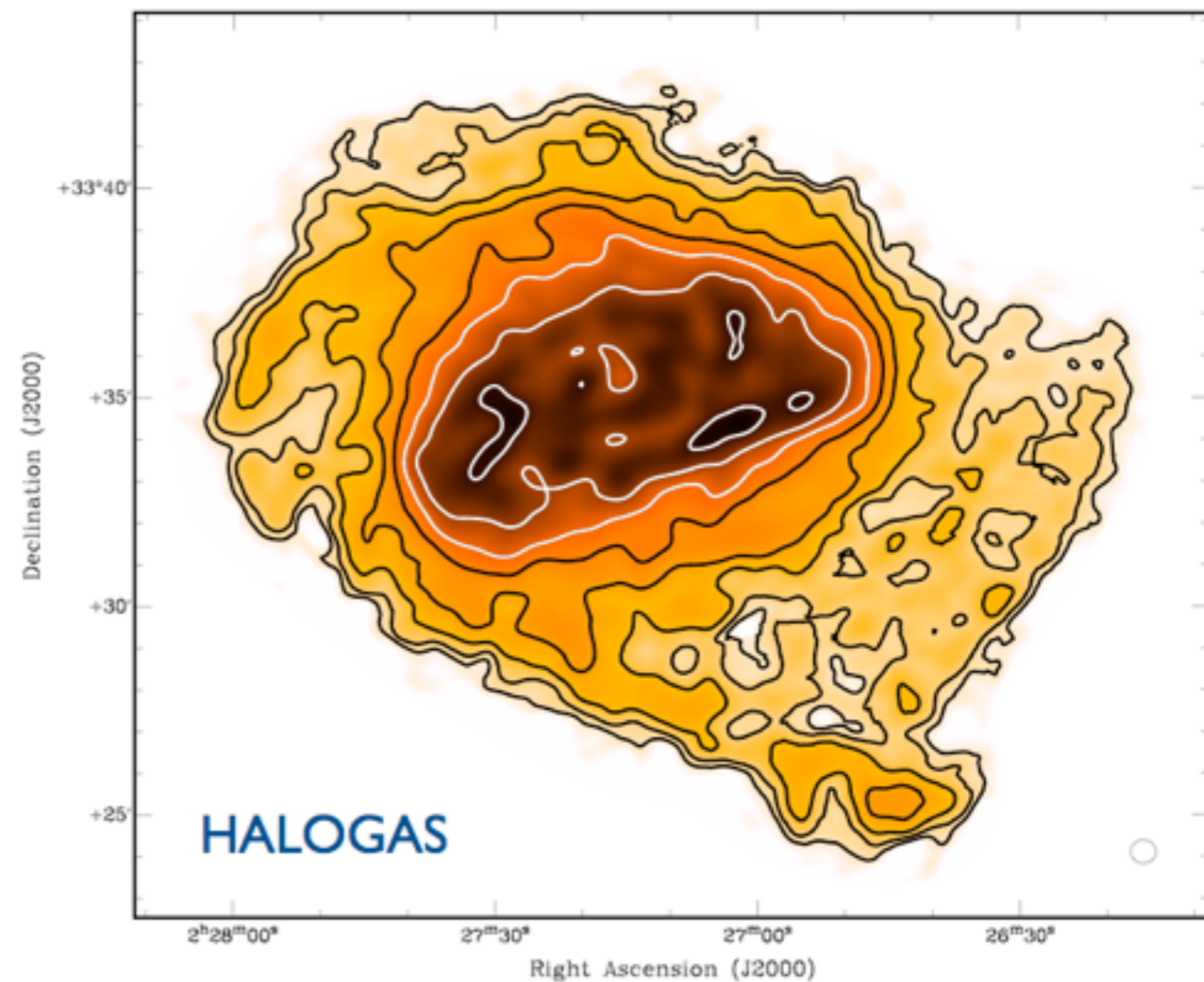
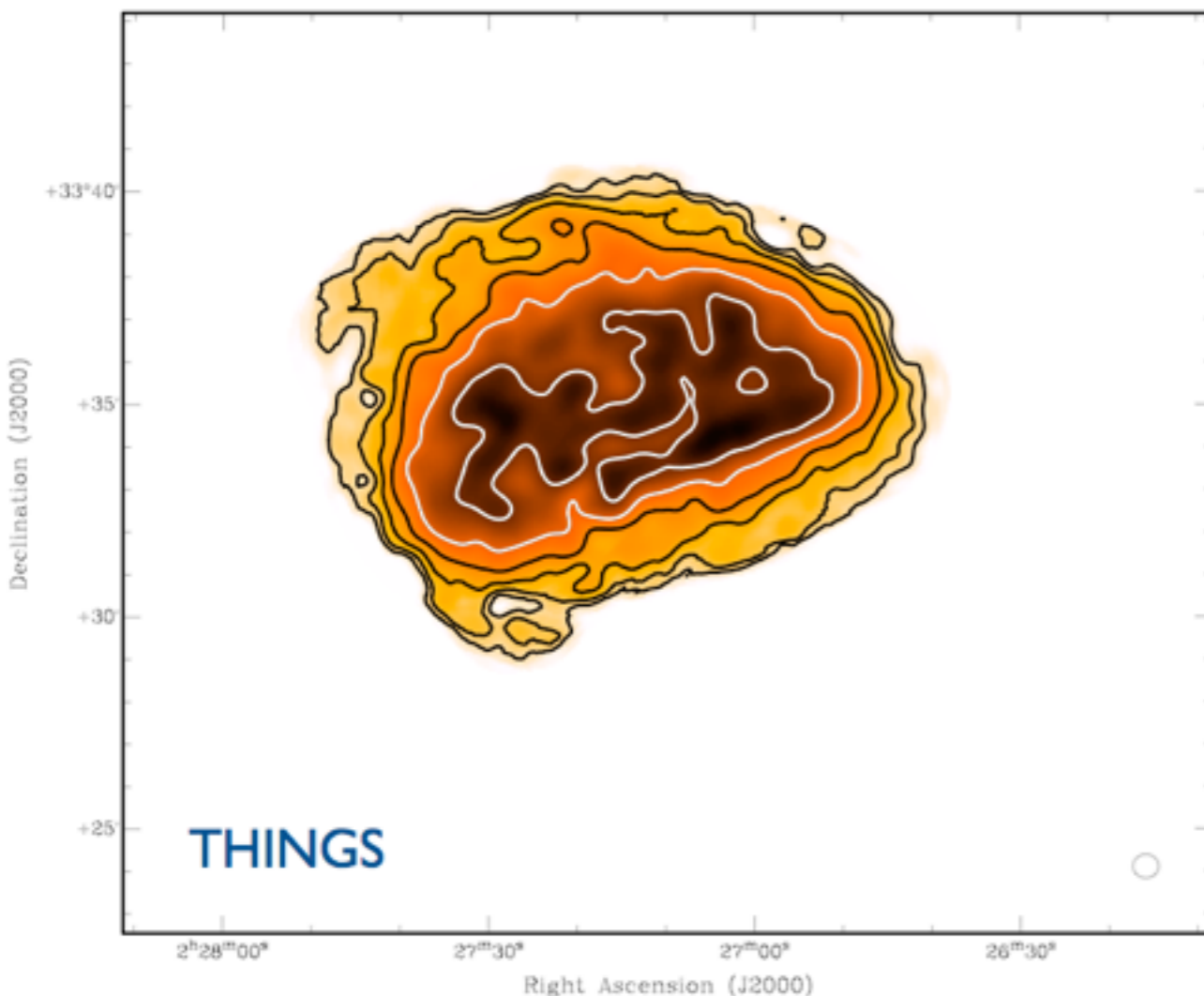


Fraternali et al. (2002)

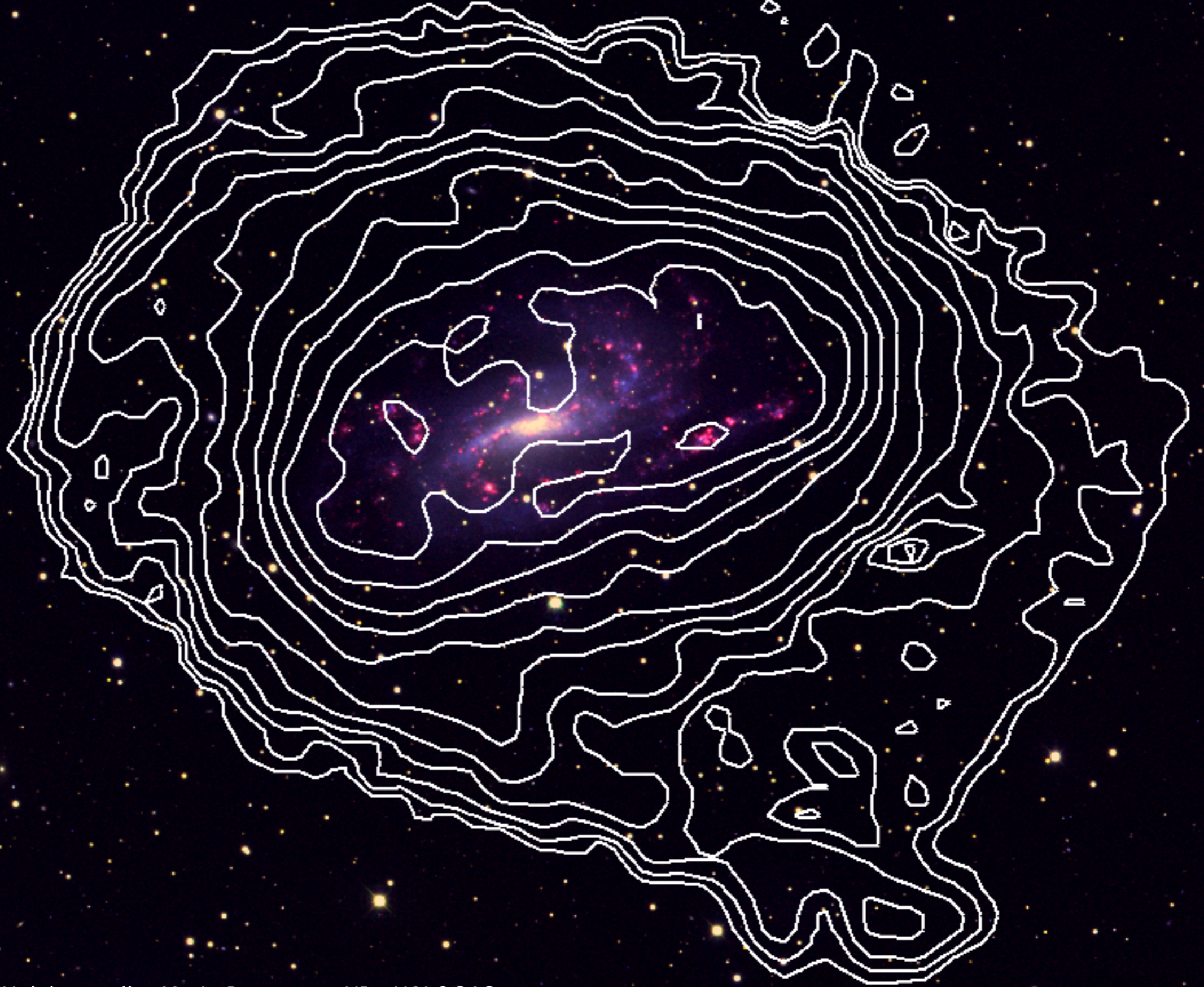
- 10x12 hr per target, to reach typical column density sensitivity of $N_{\text{HI}} = 1 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ (3σ) at 30'' resolution (cf. THINGS: $5 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-2}$) and typical unresolved mass sensitivity $M_{\text{cl}} \approx 2.7 \times 10^5 \left(\frac{D}{10 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^2 M_{\odot}$
- Survey sample = 24 galaxies (including NGC 891 & NGC 2403)
- WSRT observations are complete as of early 2013.

Dec: +33° 35' 17.00" (J2000)

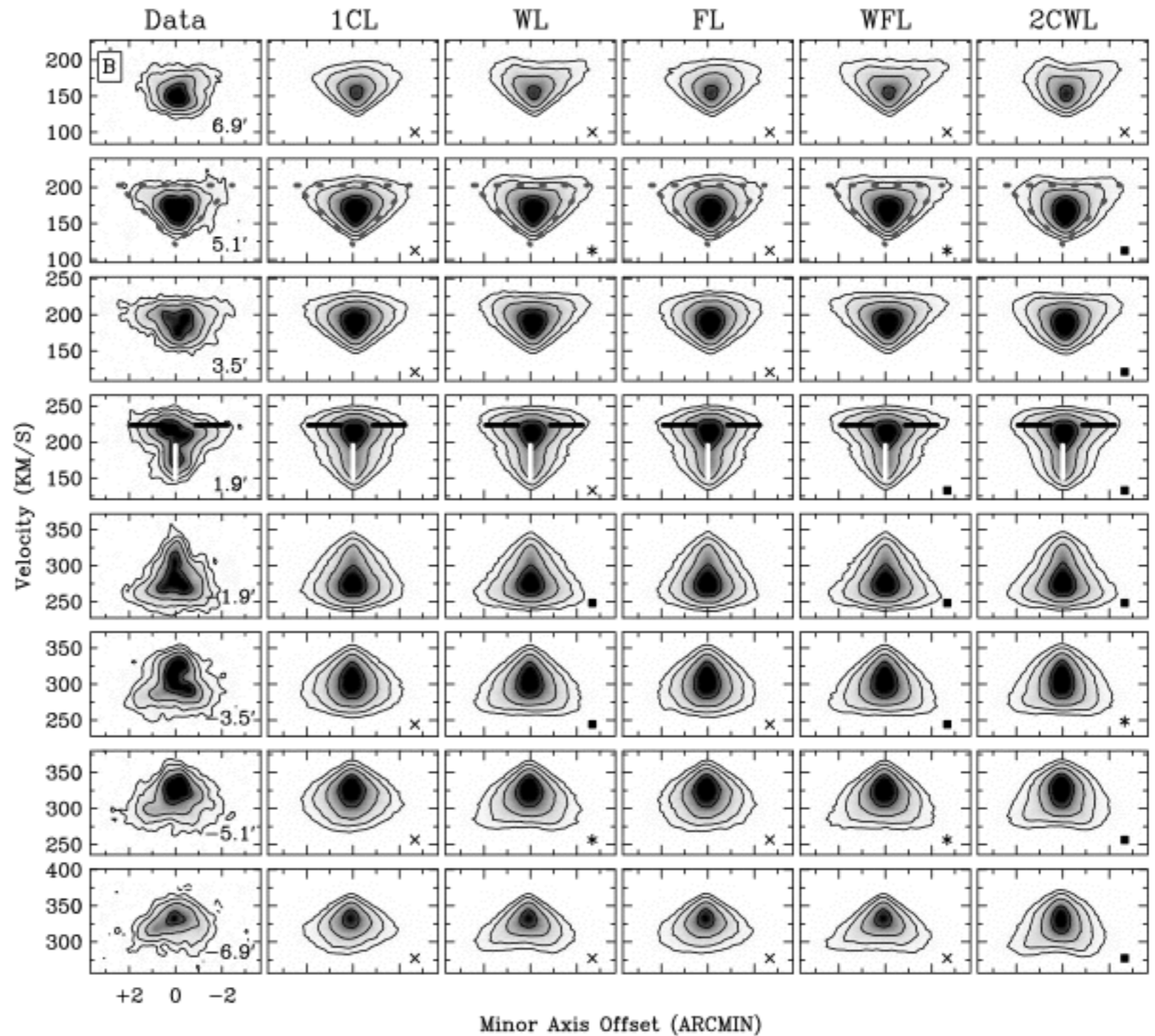
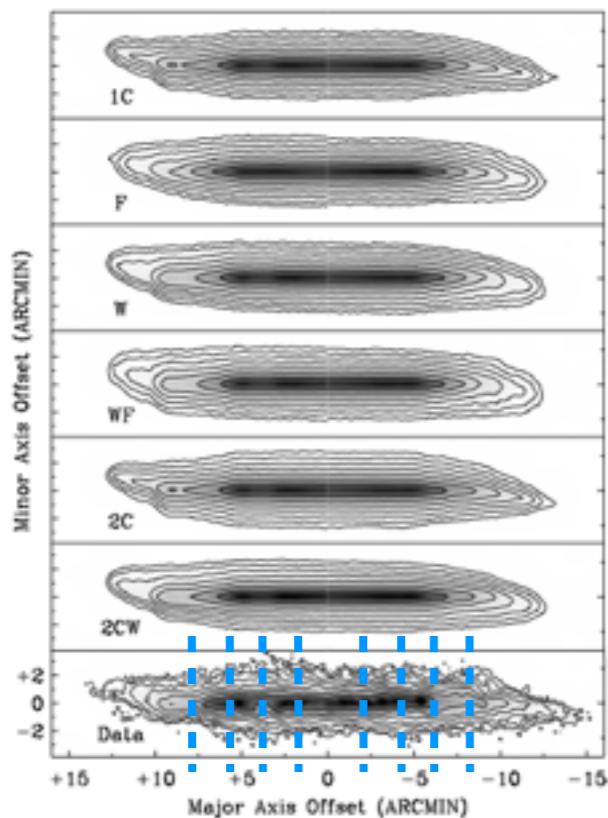
NGC 925 ~ Major axis PV diagram (THINGS=red HALOGAS=blue)



Typical HALOGAS Disks



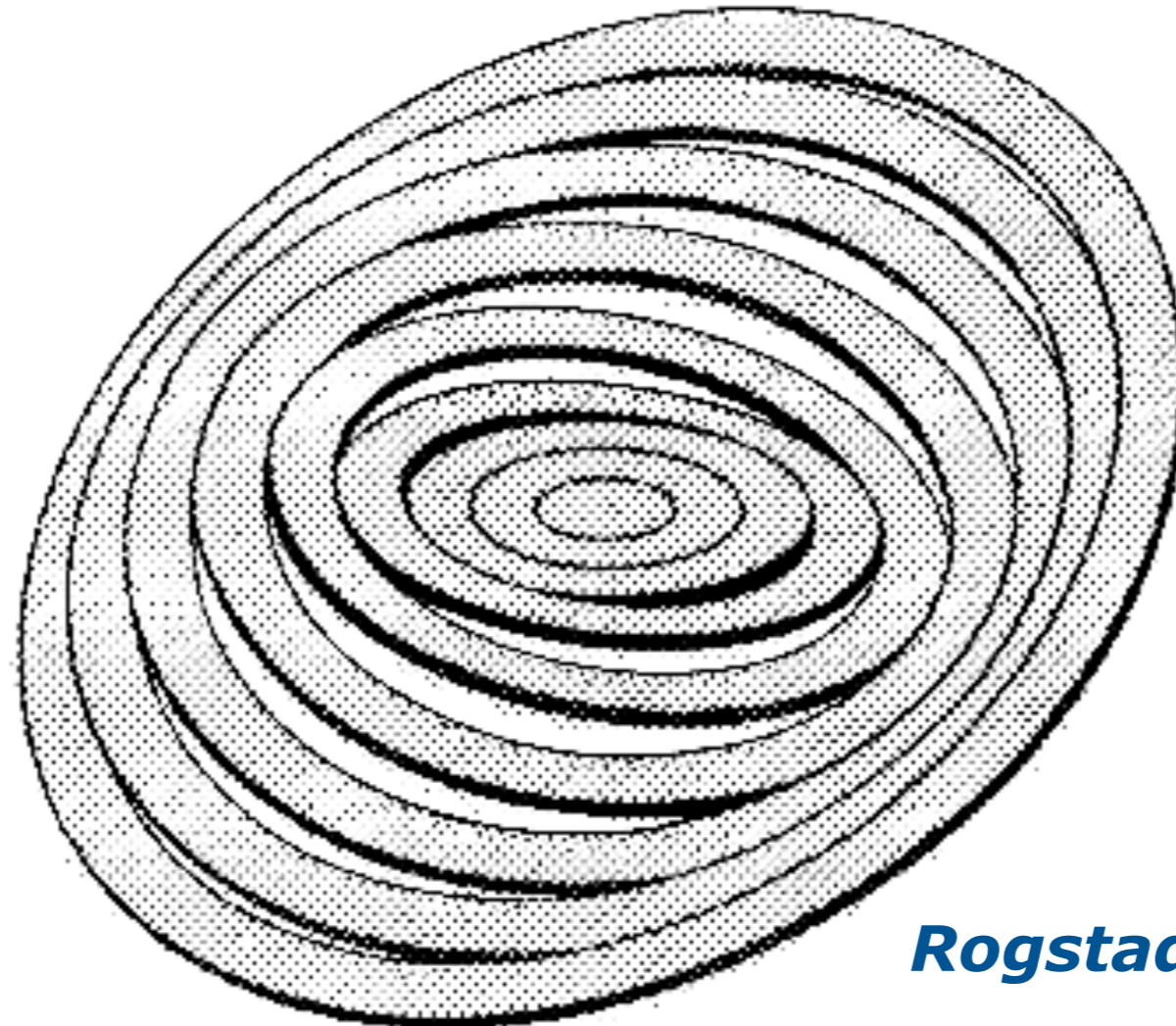
- Key results:
 - no halo - *surprisingly thin*
 - radially varying rotational lag $\sim 9 \text{ km/s/kpc}$



- Tilted Ring Fitting Code

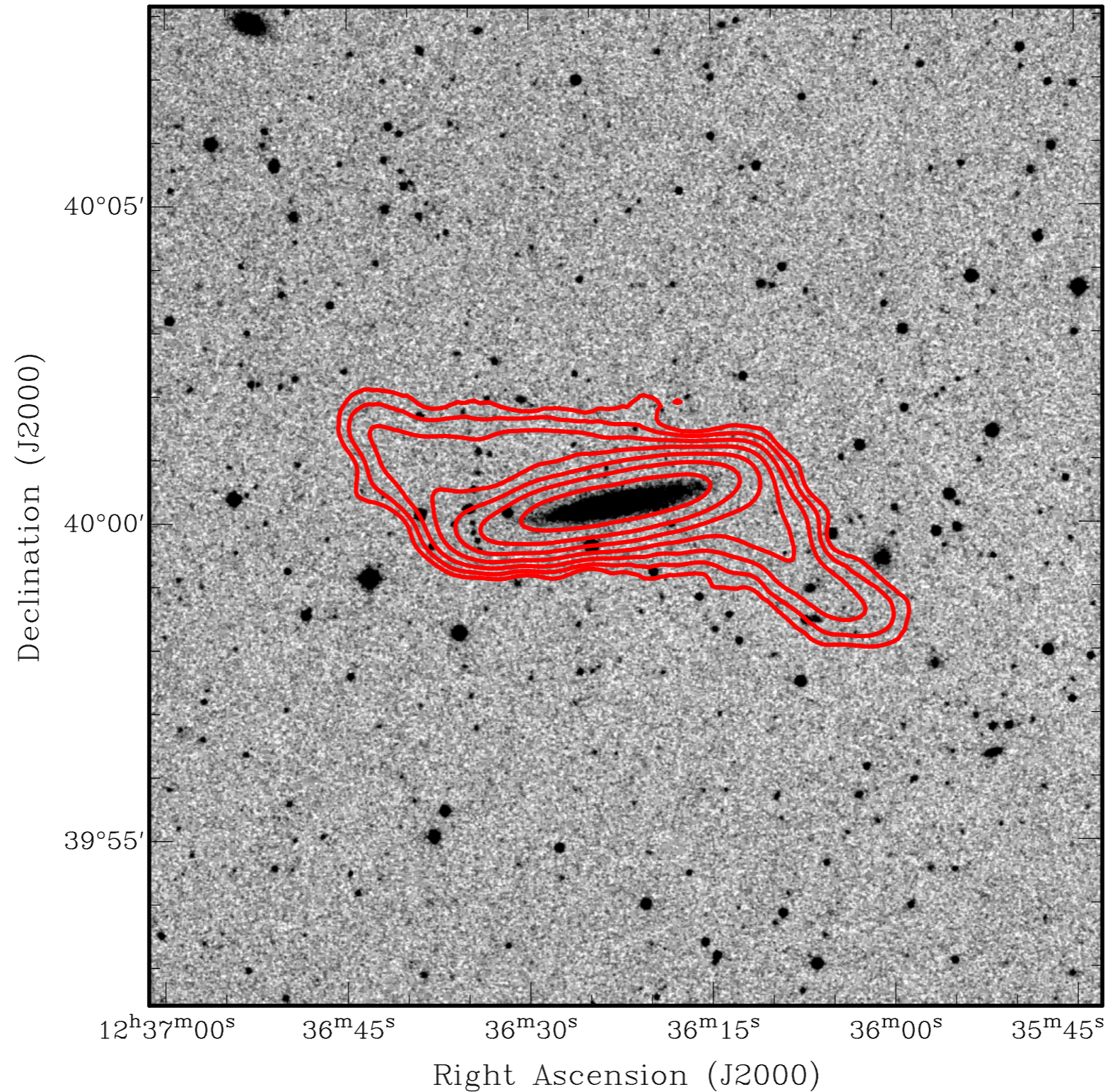


- Used to model in 3D: warps, flares, thick disks, spiral arms, ...
Extraordinary ability to assess the effect of various features



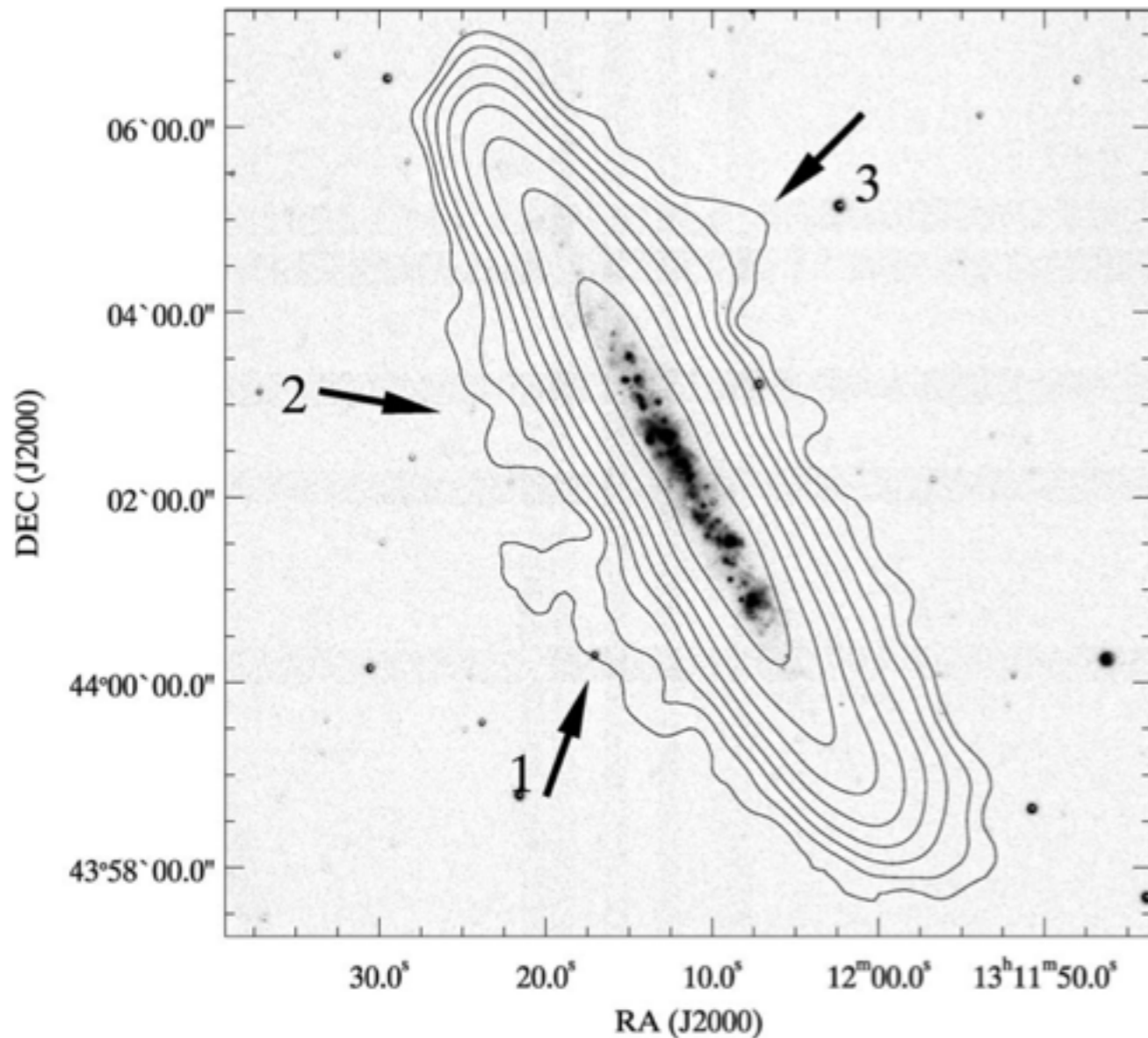
Rogstad+ (1974)

- Strongly warped! but no sign of extraplanar HI...

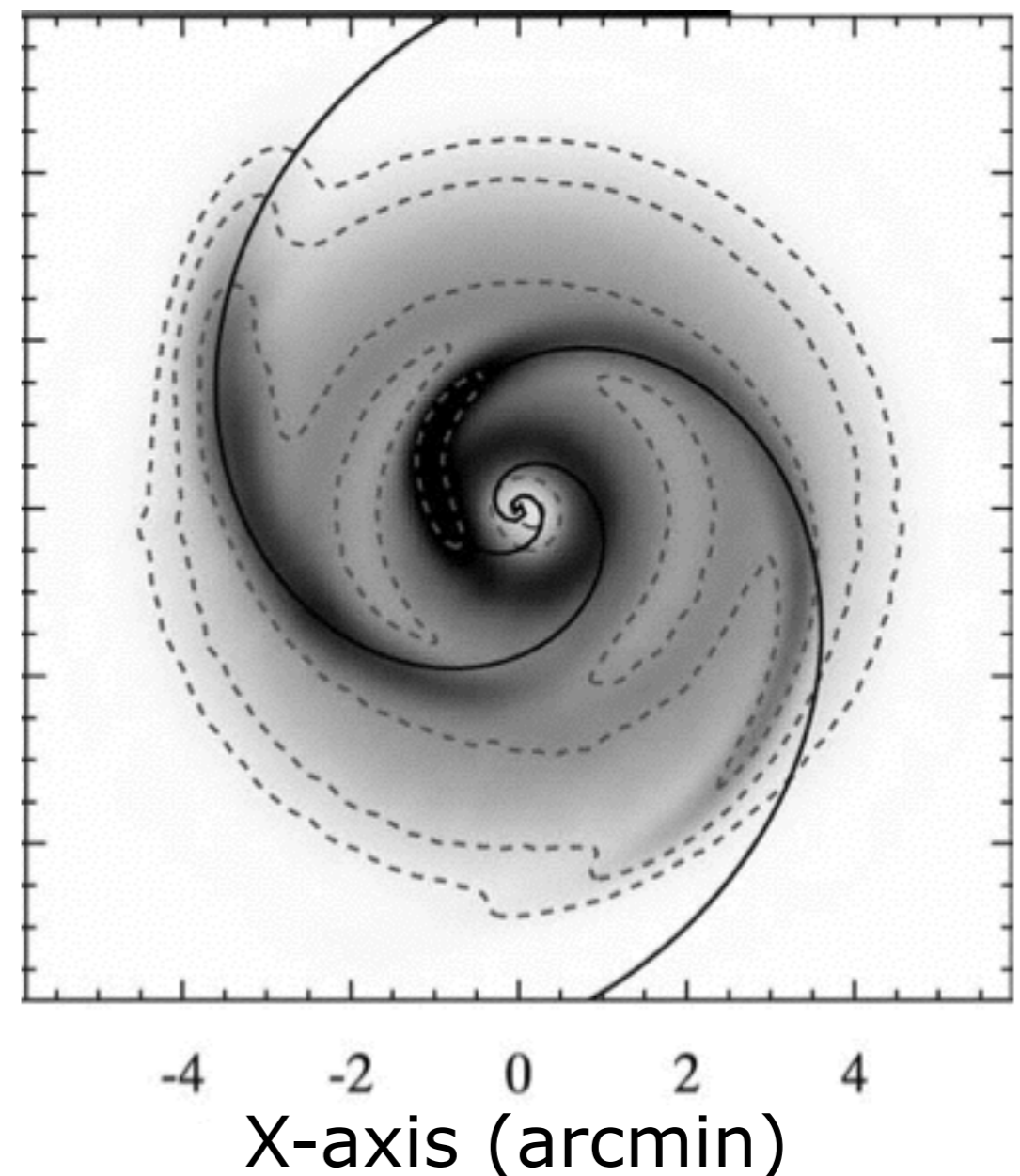


- Need to model spiral structure in an edge-on galaxy....
 - Reduces contribution lagging thick disk, removes model asymmetries, lag does not radially vary, disk thins

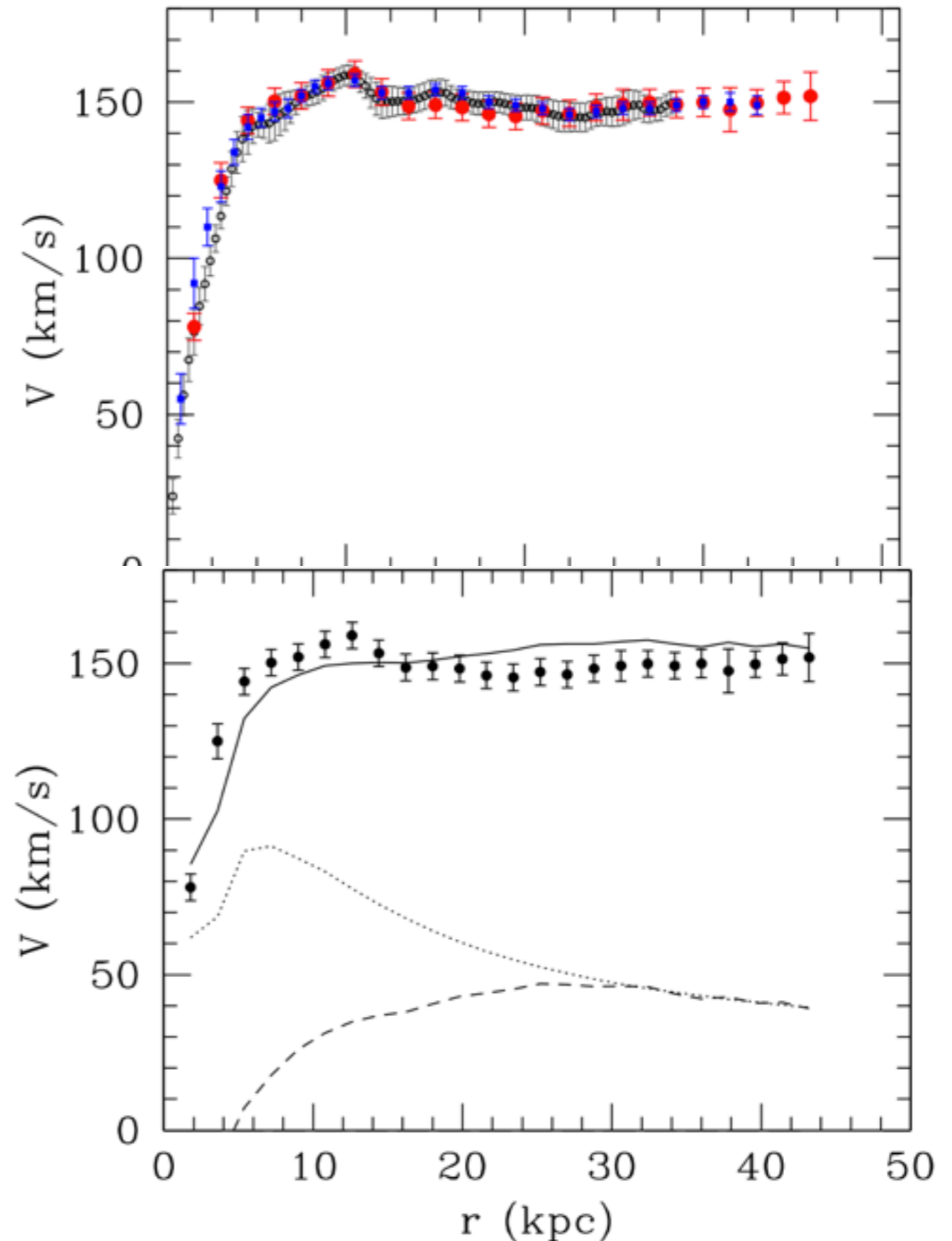
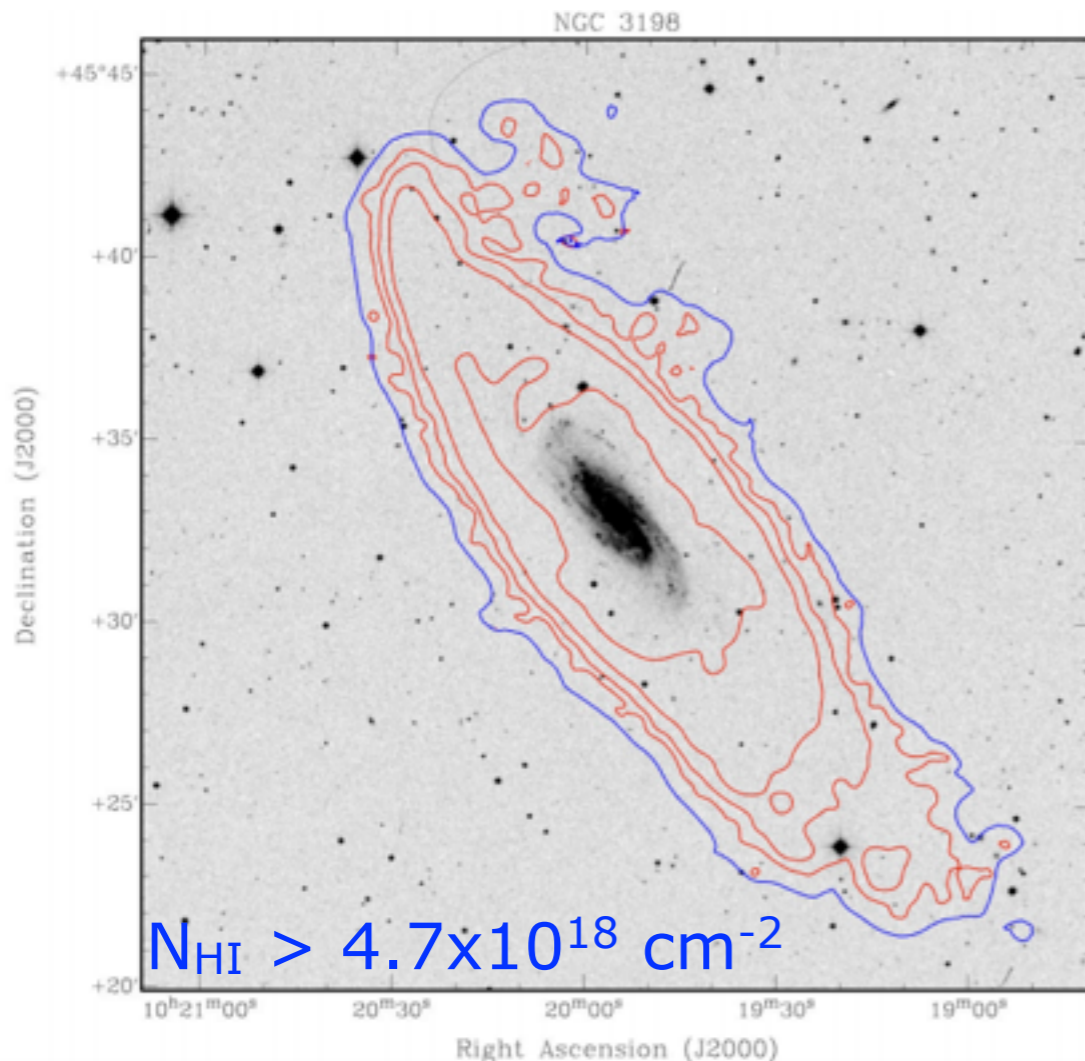
Edge-on (sky) view



Face-on (model) view

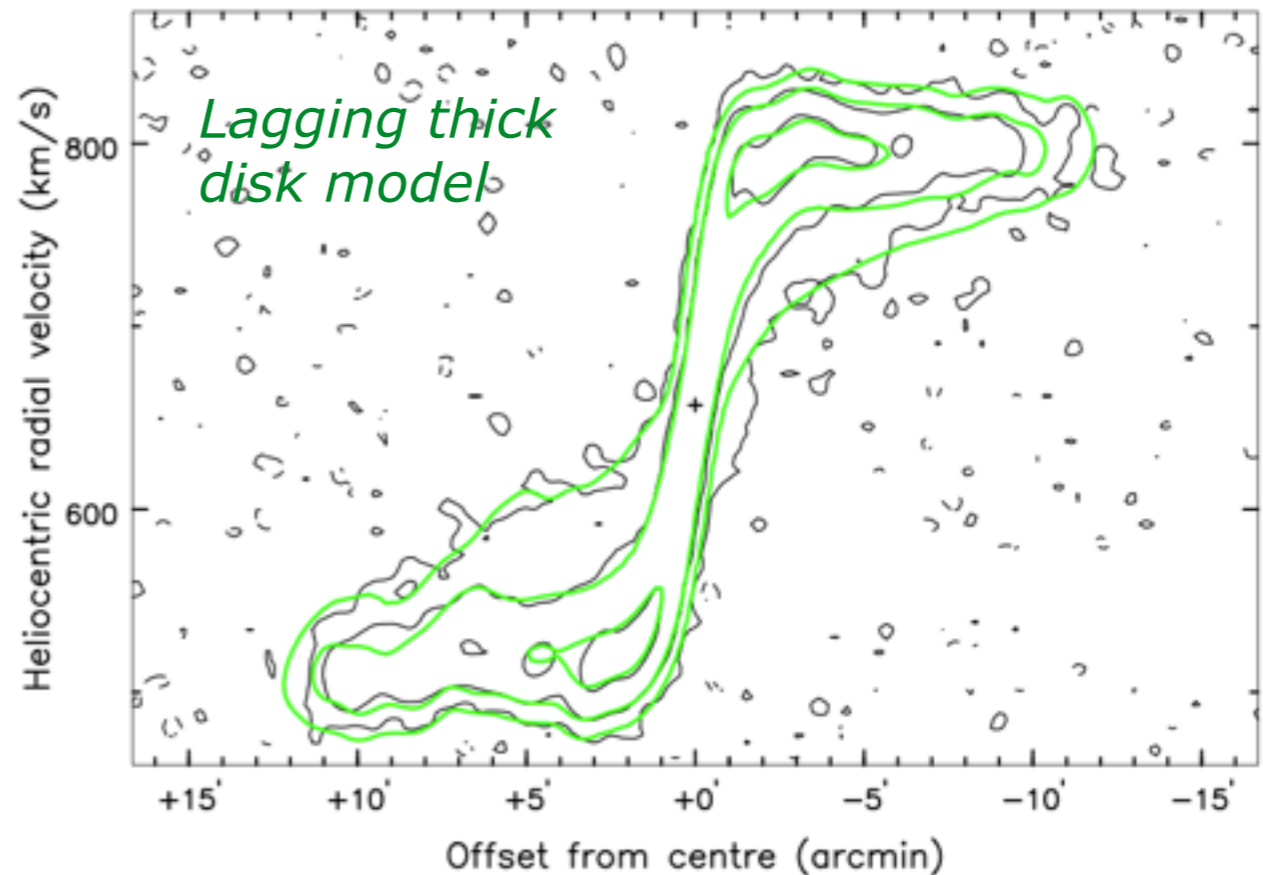
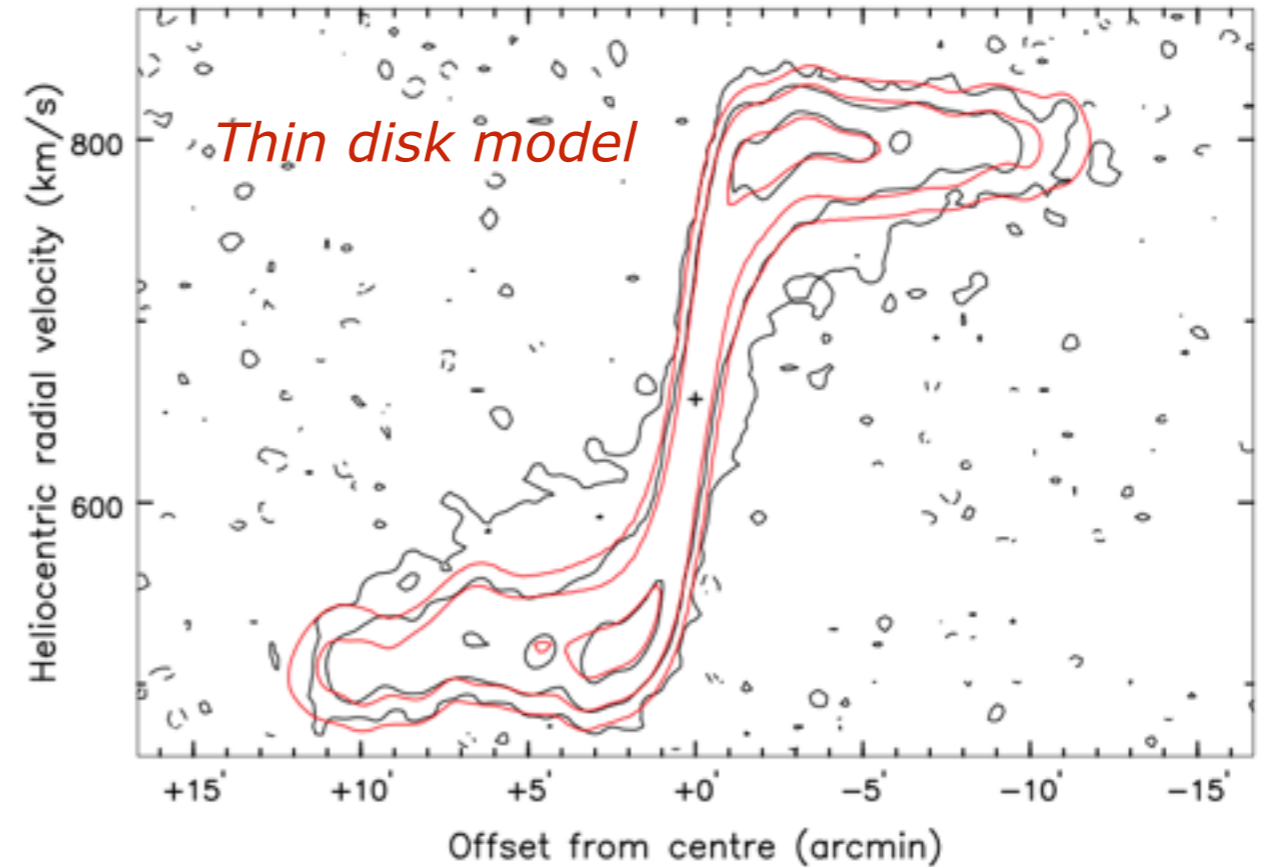
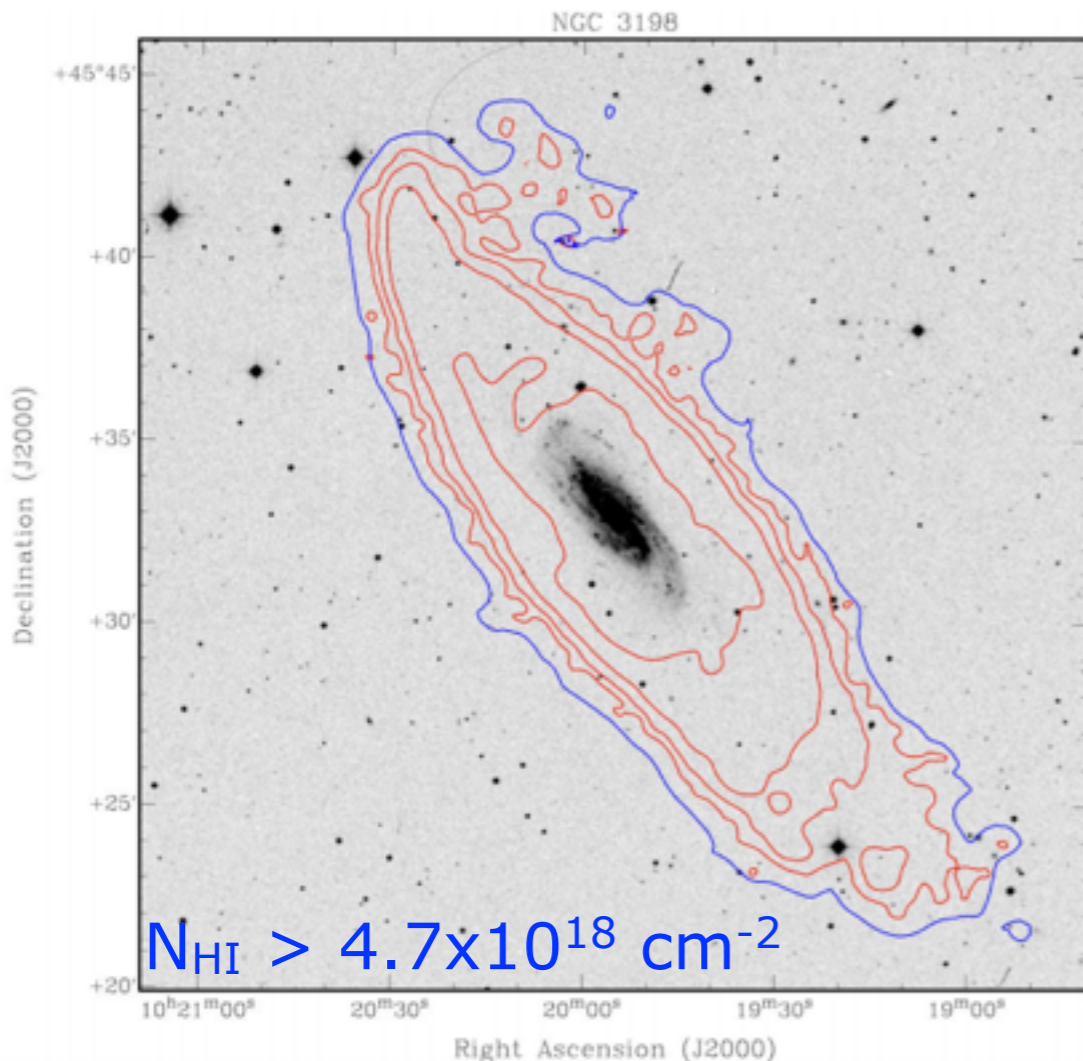


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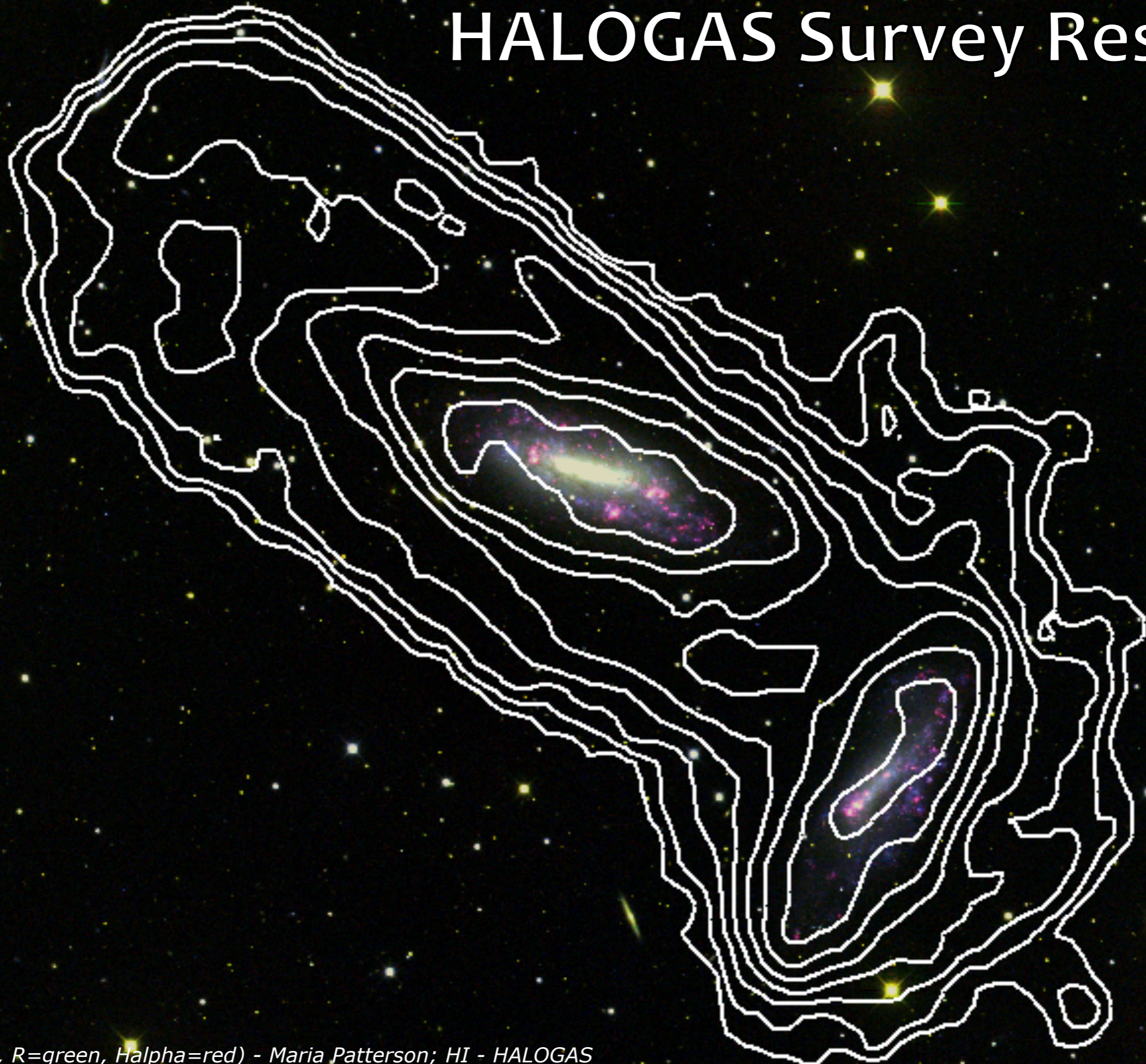


NGC 3198 (Gentile+ 2013)

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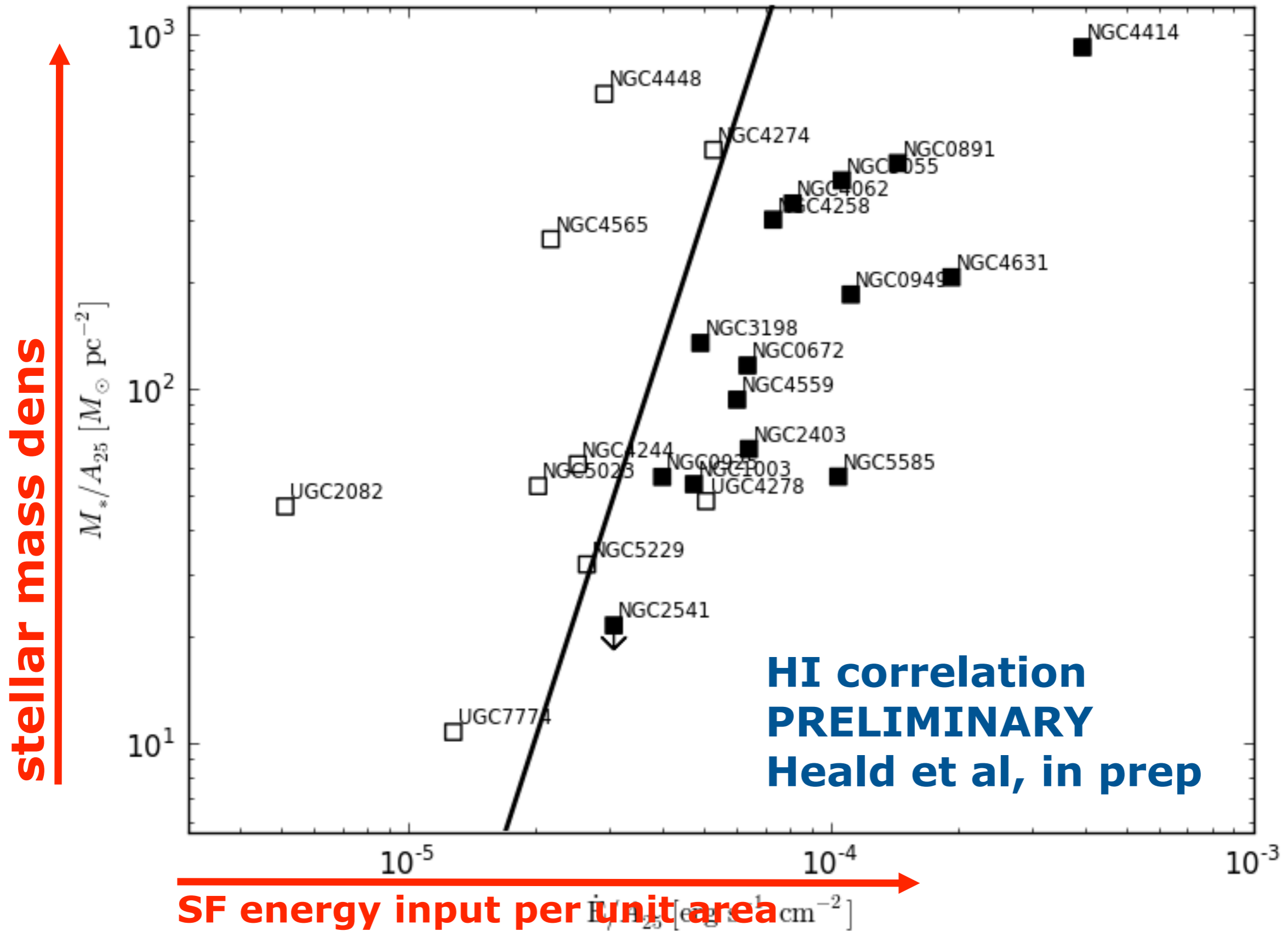


HALOGAS Survey Results



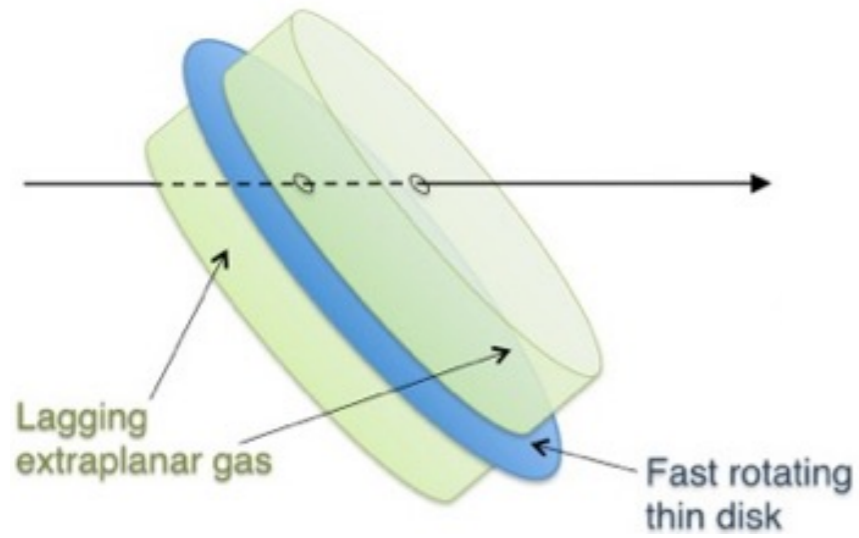
Thick HI disks

Multiphase thick disks: correlations

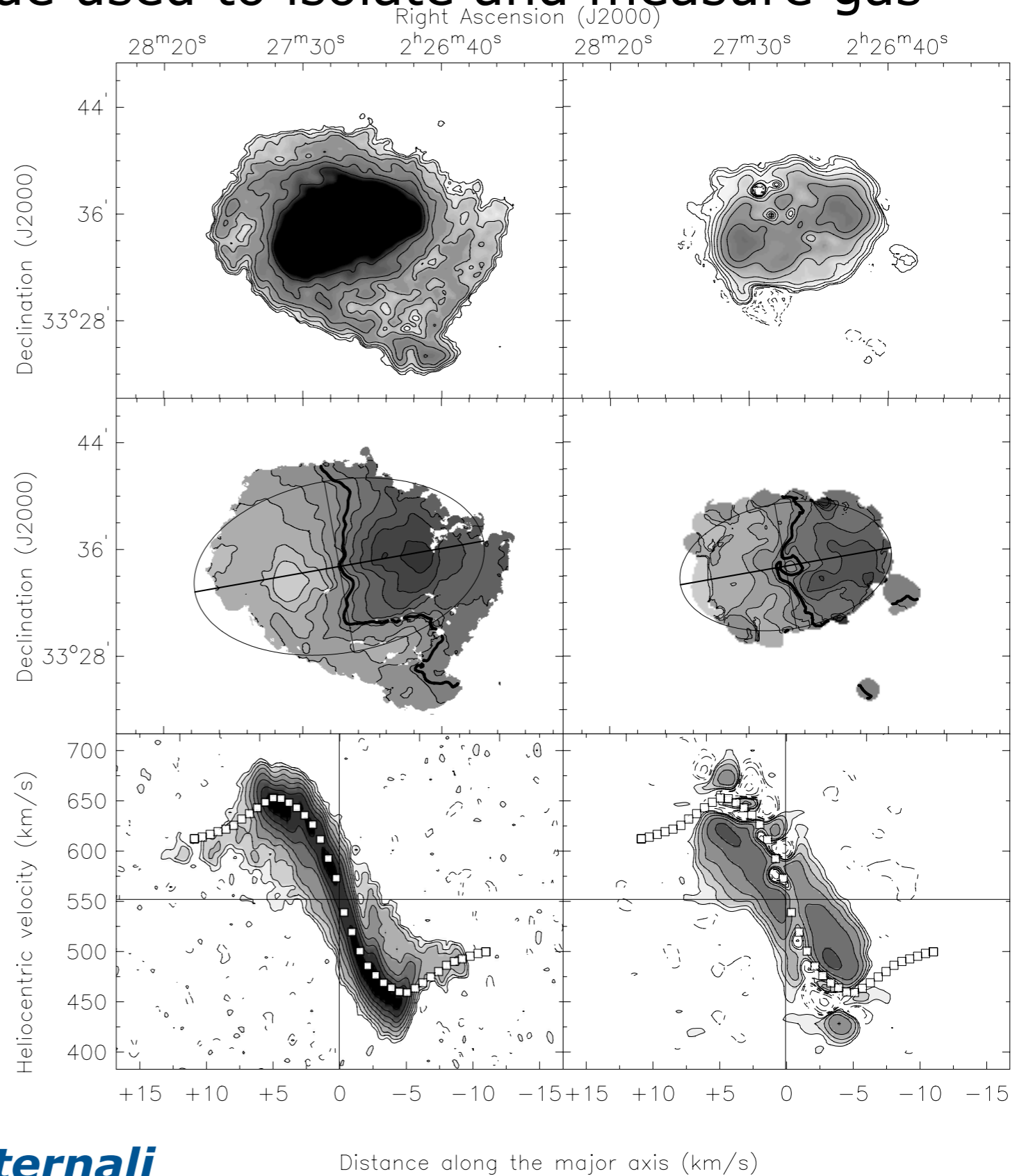
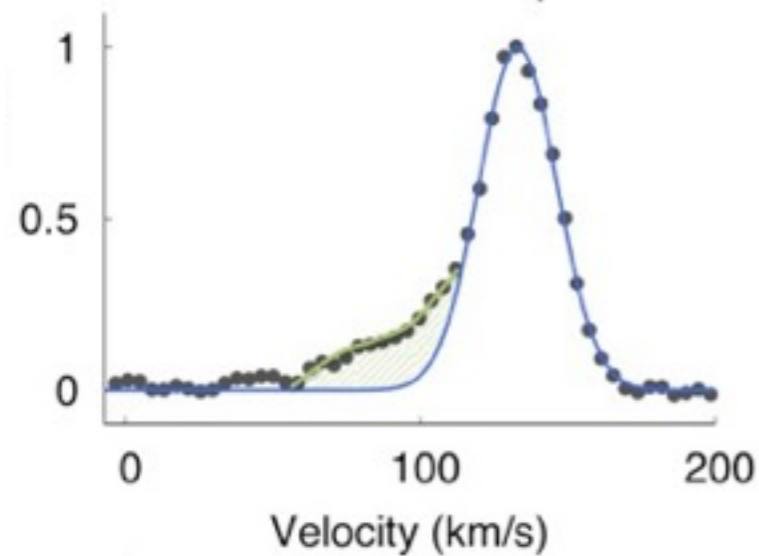


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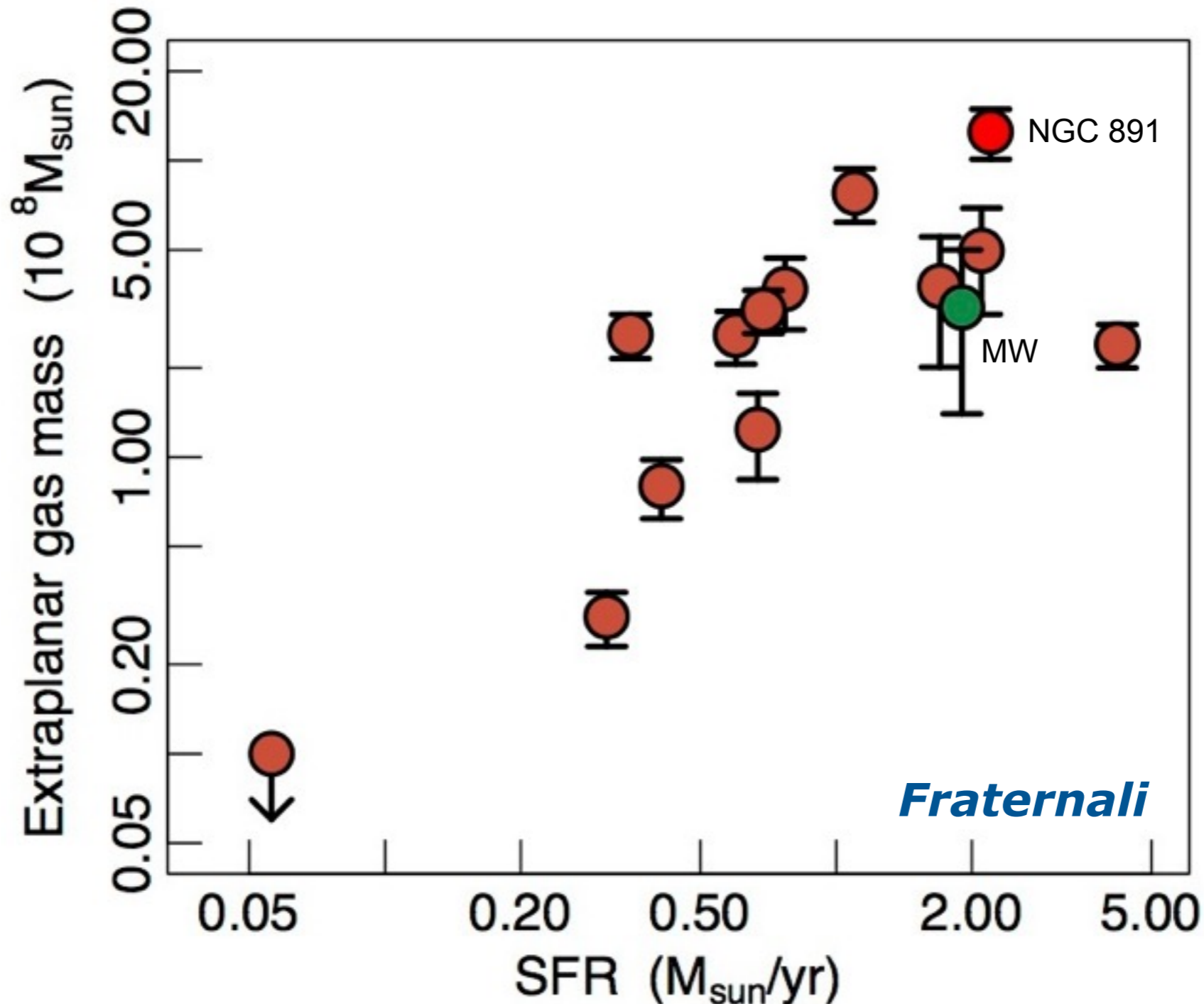
Tilted galactic disk + extraplanar gas



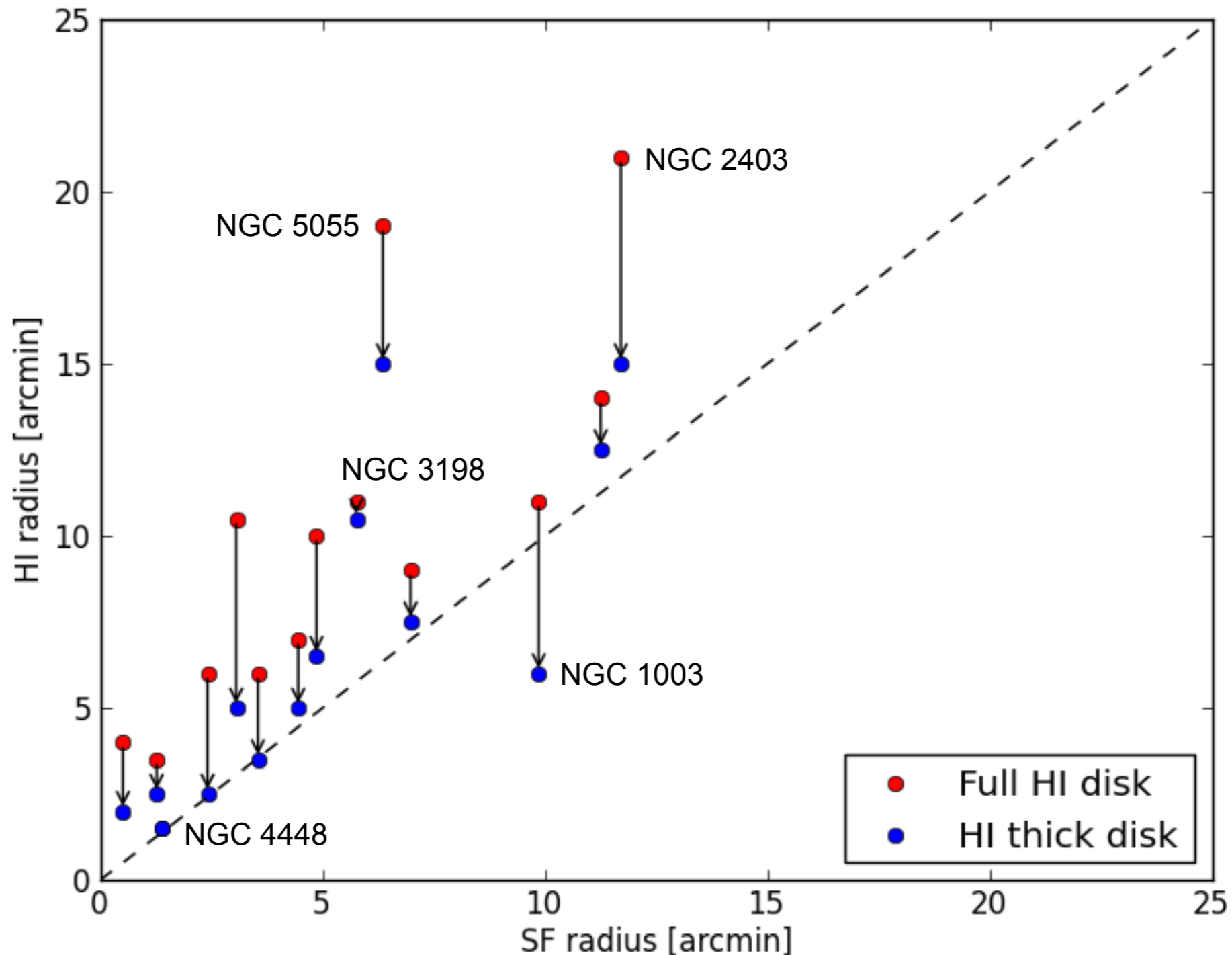
Observed line profile



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- Thick disk HI mass appears to correlate with host galaxy SFR



- Disk-halo separation technique used to isolate and measure gas above the thin disk
- Radial extent of thick disk gas correlates well with SF radius



- A fountain mass estimate

$$M_{fount} = 2\pi \int_0^{R_{max}} \Sigma_{fount}(R) R dR$$

$$\Sigma_{fount}(R) = \alpha SFRD(R) \times t_{orb}(R)$$

$$SFRD(R) = SFRD_0 \exp(-R/R_{SF})$$

$$t_{orb}(R) \simeq A(v_{flat})R$$

flat rotation curve

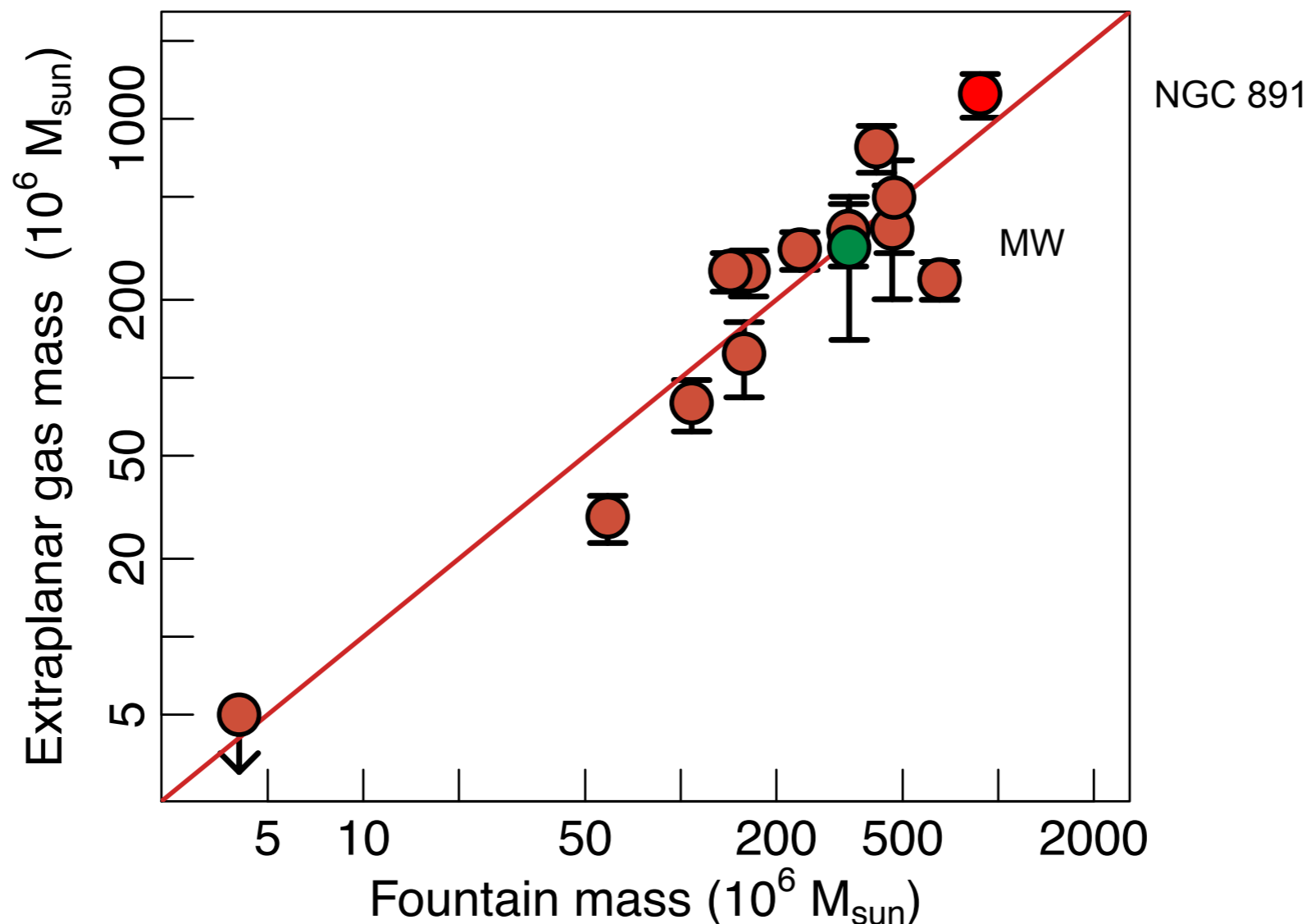
$$A = 25(v_{flat}/100km/s)$$

t_(orb) in Myr and R in kpc

$$M_{fount} = 2\alpha \cdot A \cdot SFR \cdot R_{SF}$$

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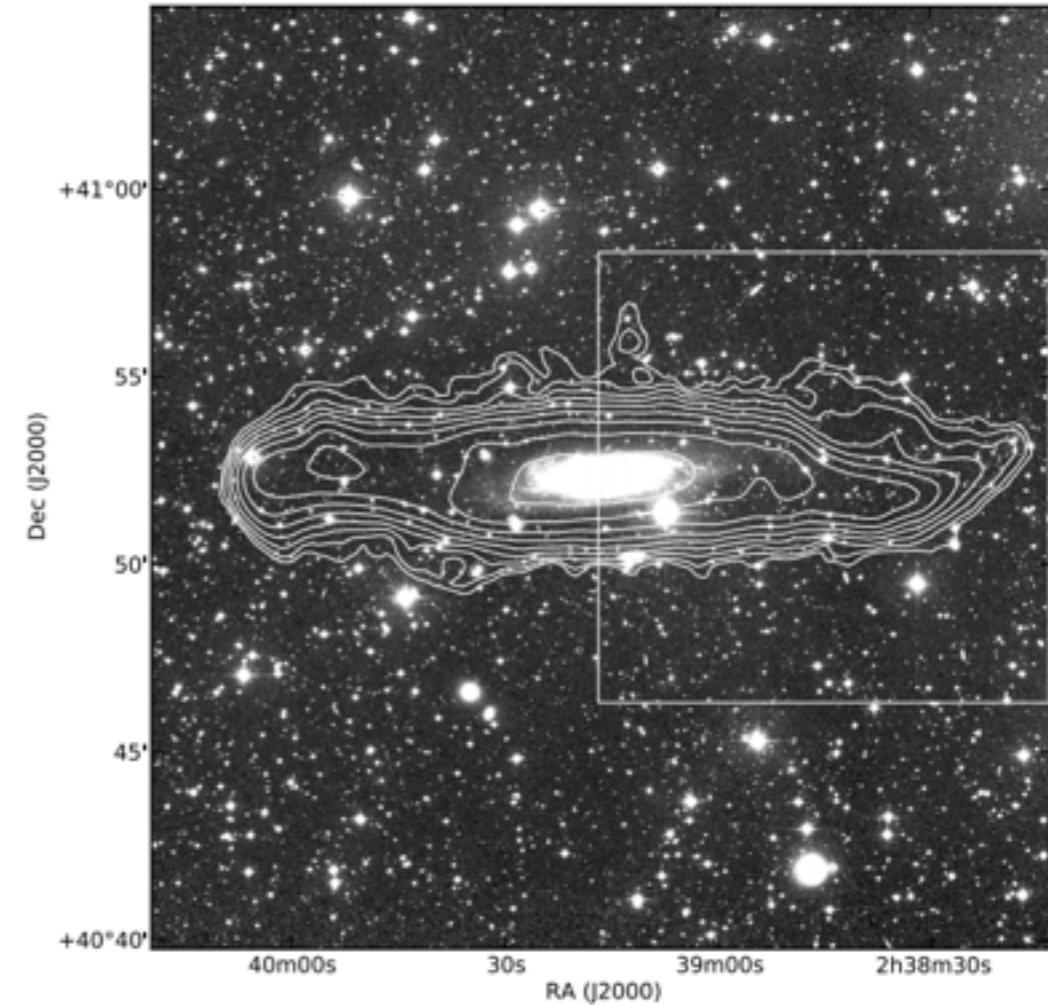
HALOGAS HI mass vs Fountain mass



HI Clouds

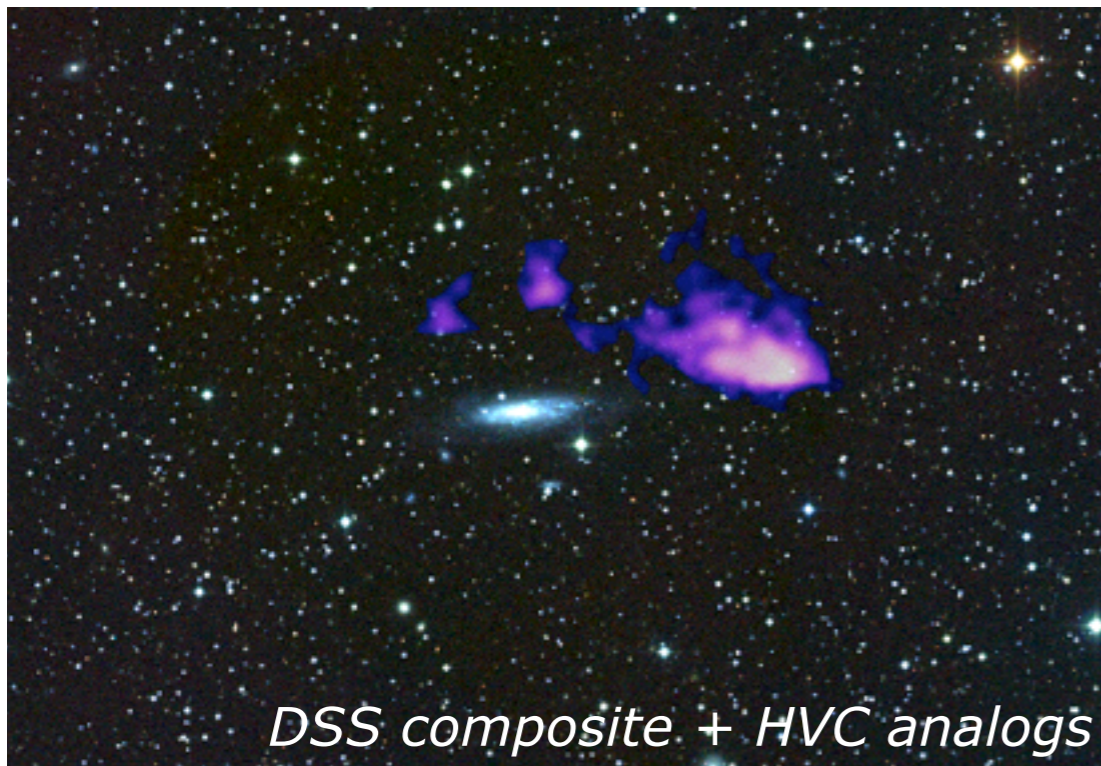
- Effort underway to collect full list of all clouds and streams in HALOGAS target fields
 - Formation of master catalog
 - How many galaxies show signs of accretion? How much (and at what rate)? Clouds or diffuse? Corotating with the galaxy? Associated with star formation? ...
- Preliminary result already clear:
Some features attributable to cold accretion (in the form of HI)
but insufficient to fully balance SFR in a typical galaxy
 - See also Di Teodoro & Fraternali (2014)
Minor mergers do not significantly contribute to fuelling SFR

- Key results:
 - HVC analogs detected at 11 Mpc distance
 - Contributing $\sim 4 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$ of the HI in the system
 - over a dynamical time, these features contribute only $\sim 2\%$ SFR



Heald et al. (in prep)

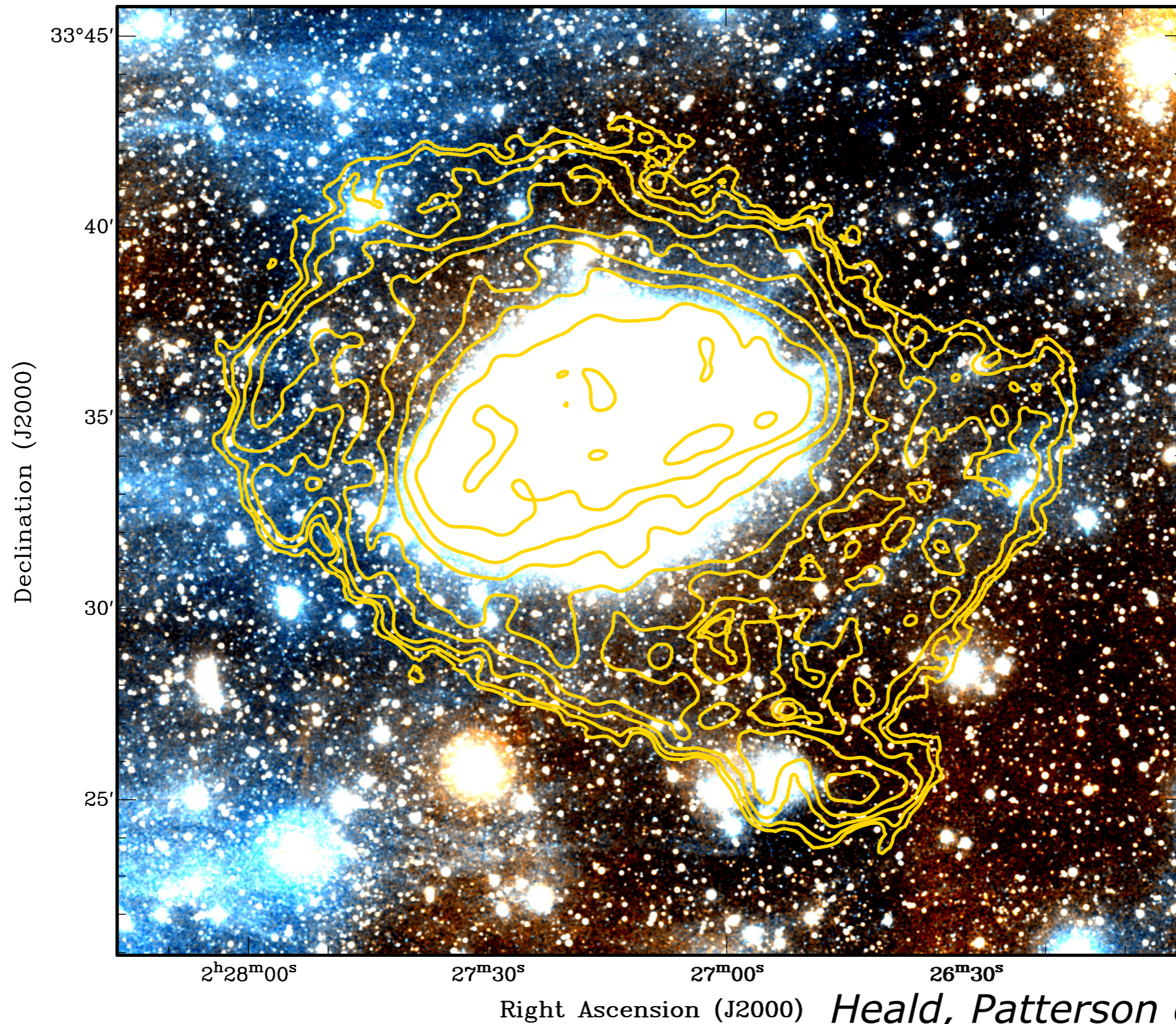
HALOGAS + HALOSTARS

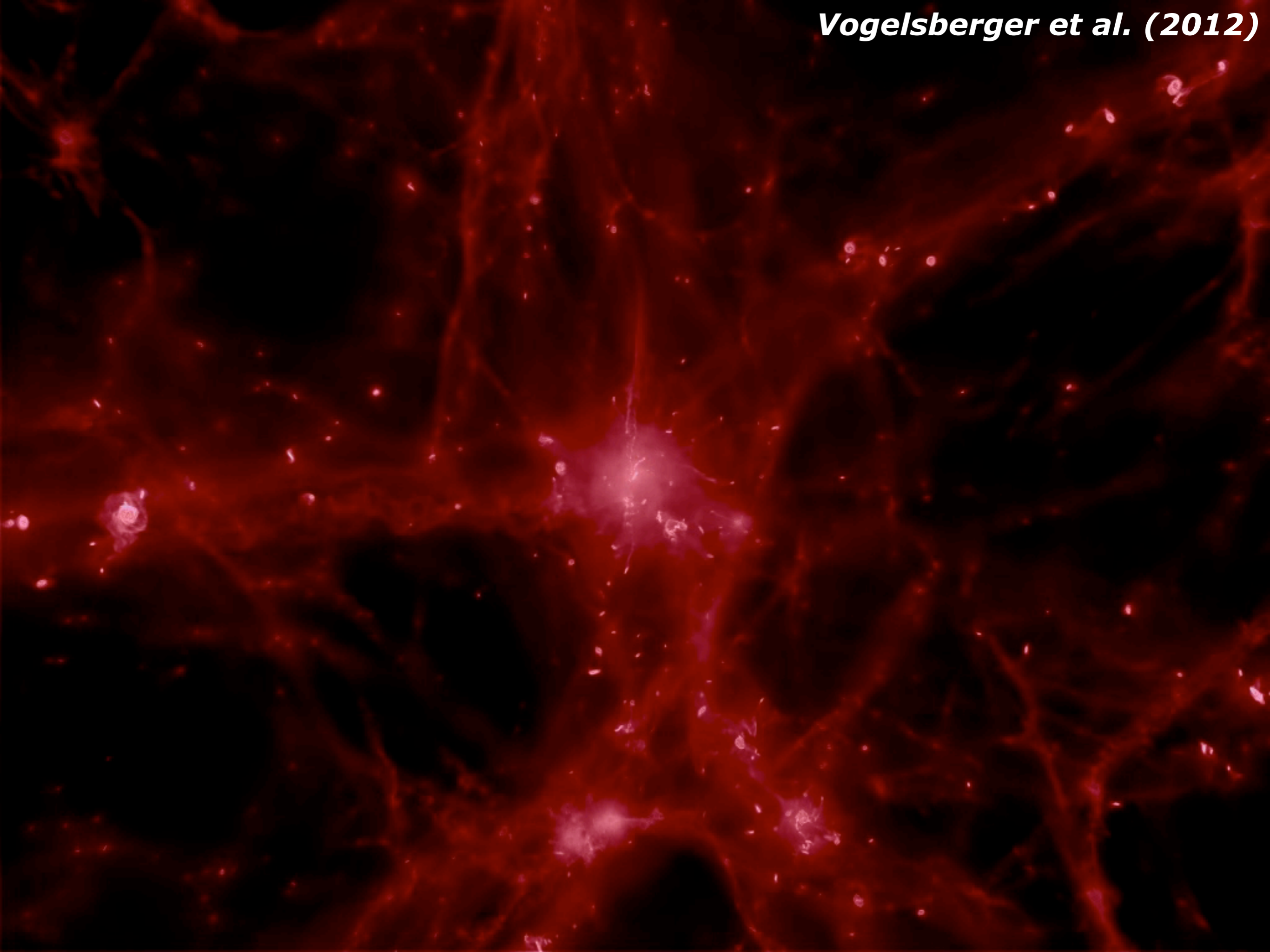


DSS composite + HVC analogs

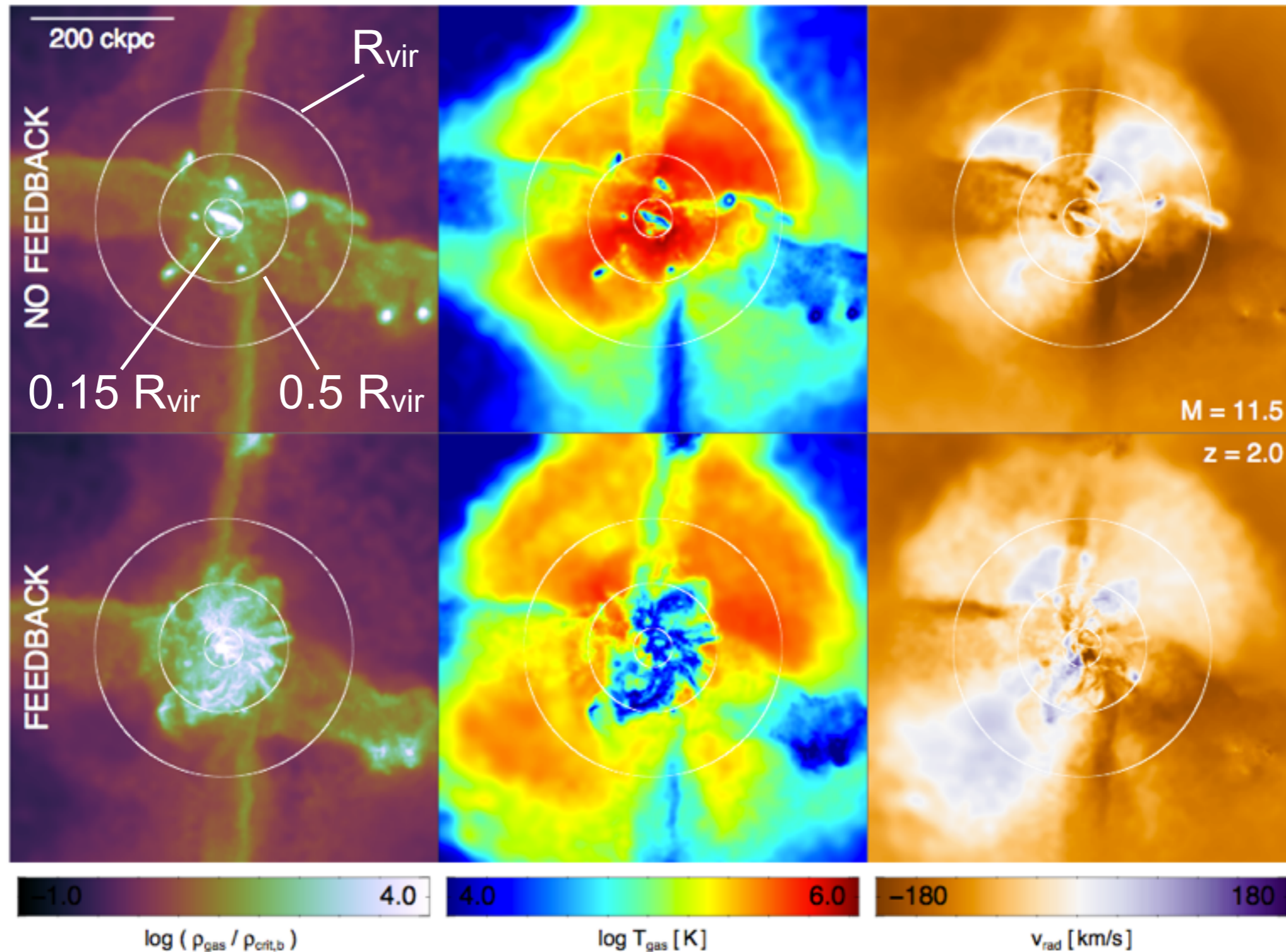
Cloud	Mass	Height
1	$2 \times 10^5 M_{\odot}$	10 kpc
2	$3.3 \times 10^5 M_{\odot}$	10 kpc
3	$3 \times 10^5 M_{\odot}$	5 kpc
AC (excl #3)	$2.9 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$	-

- Powerful combination of deep optical and HI reveals tidal remnants





- Current observational capability does not permit a search for accreting gas in each galaxy, over the full virial volume



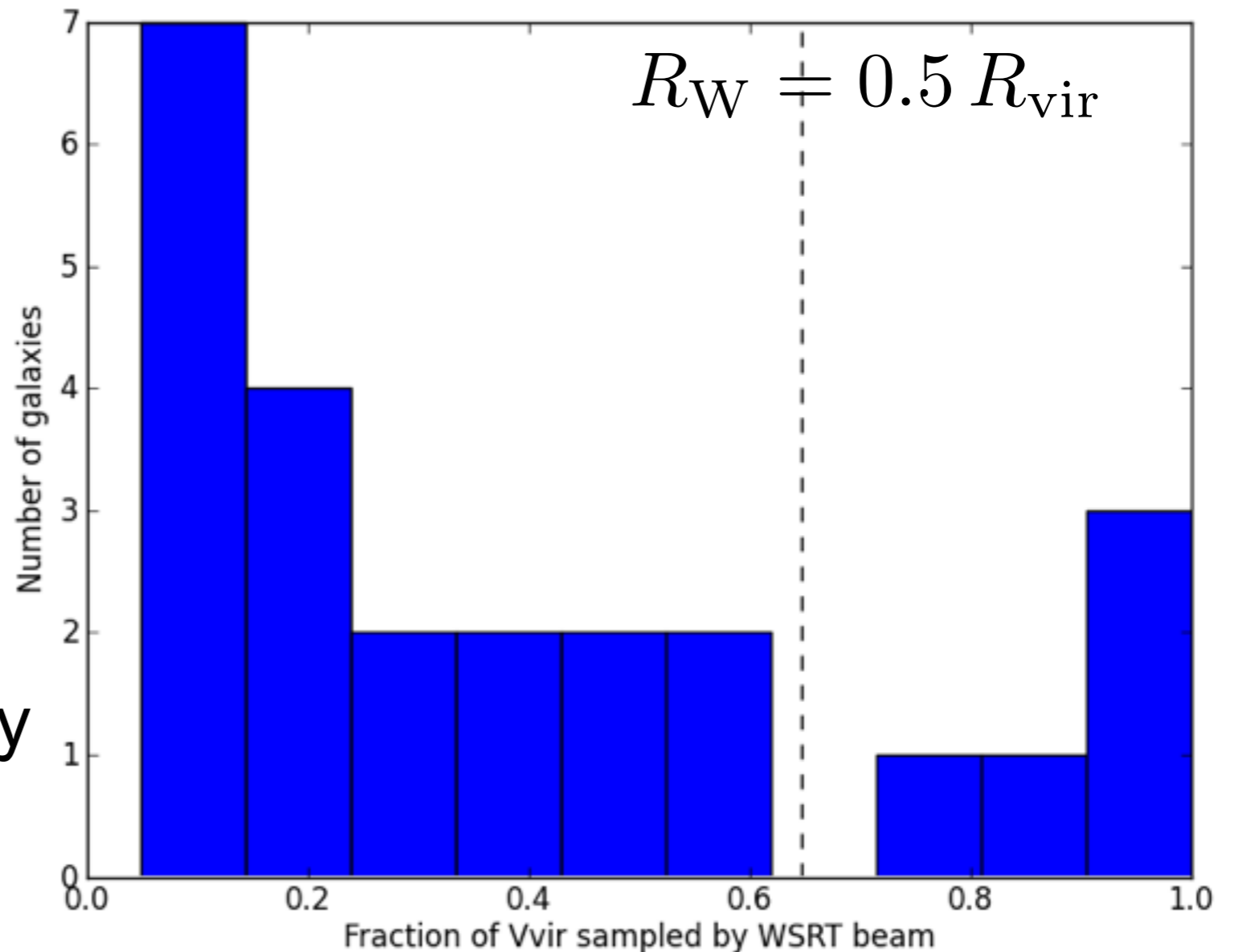
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 - Bulk of gas thought to be within volume defined by $\sim 0.5 R_{\text{vir}}$ (e.g. Nelson et al 2014)
 - That volume is not always fully probed with single pointings:

$$V_W = \frac{4\pi}{3} (R_{\text{vir}}^3 - \zeta^3),$$

$$\text{where } \zeta = \sqrt{R_{\text{vir}}^2 - R_W^2}$$

virial radius

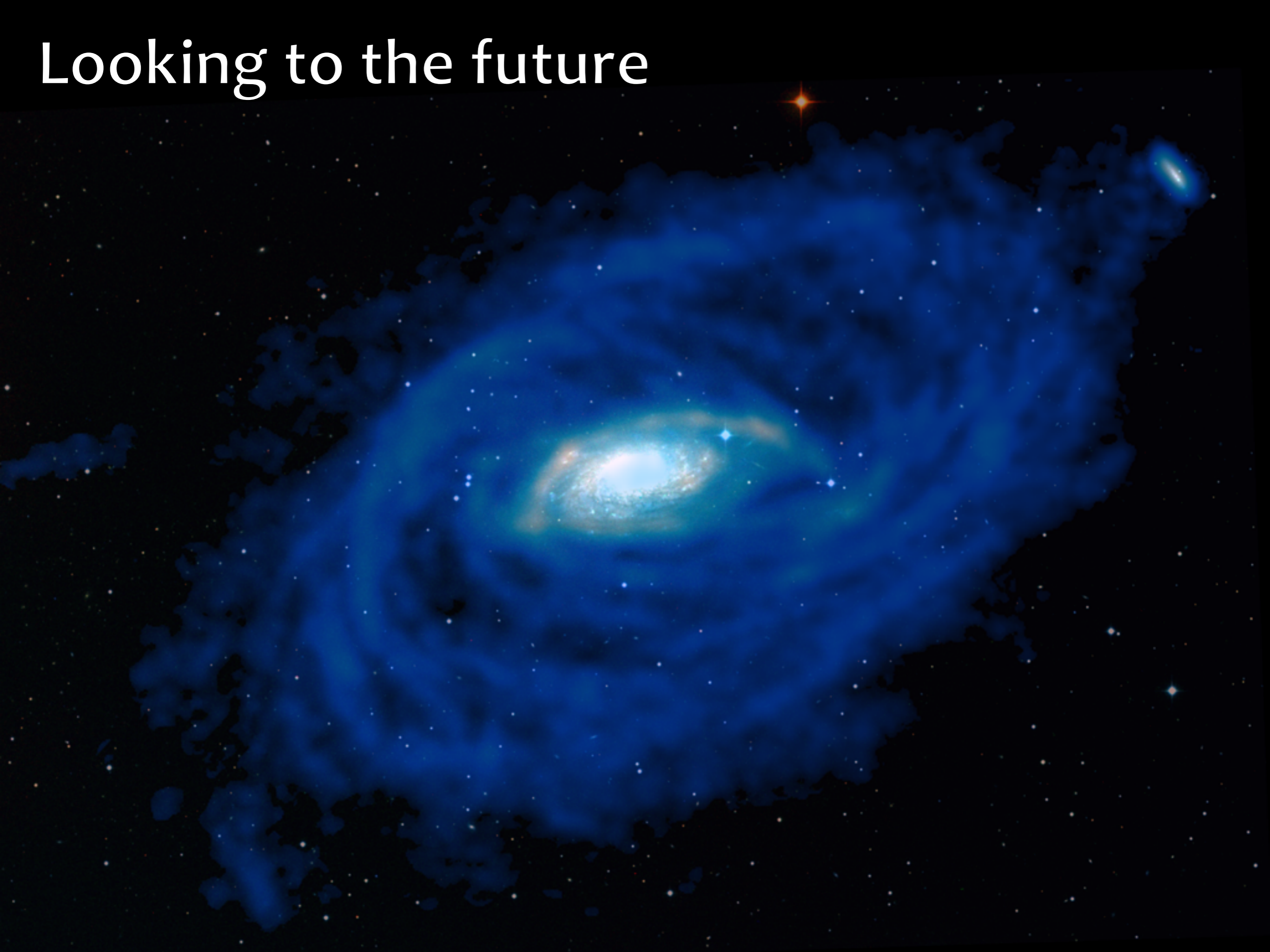
WSRT primary beam size



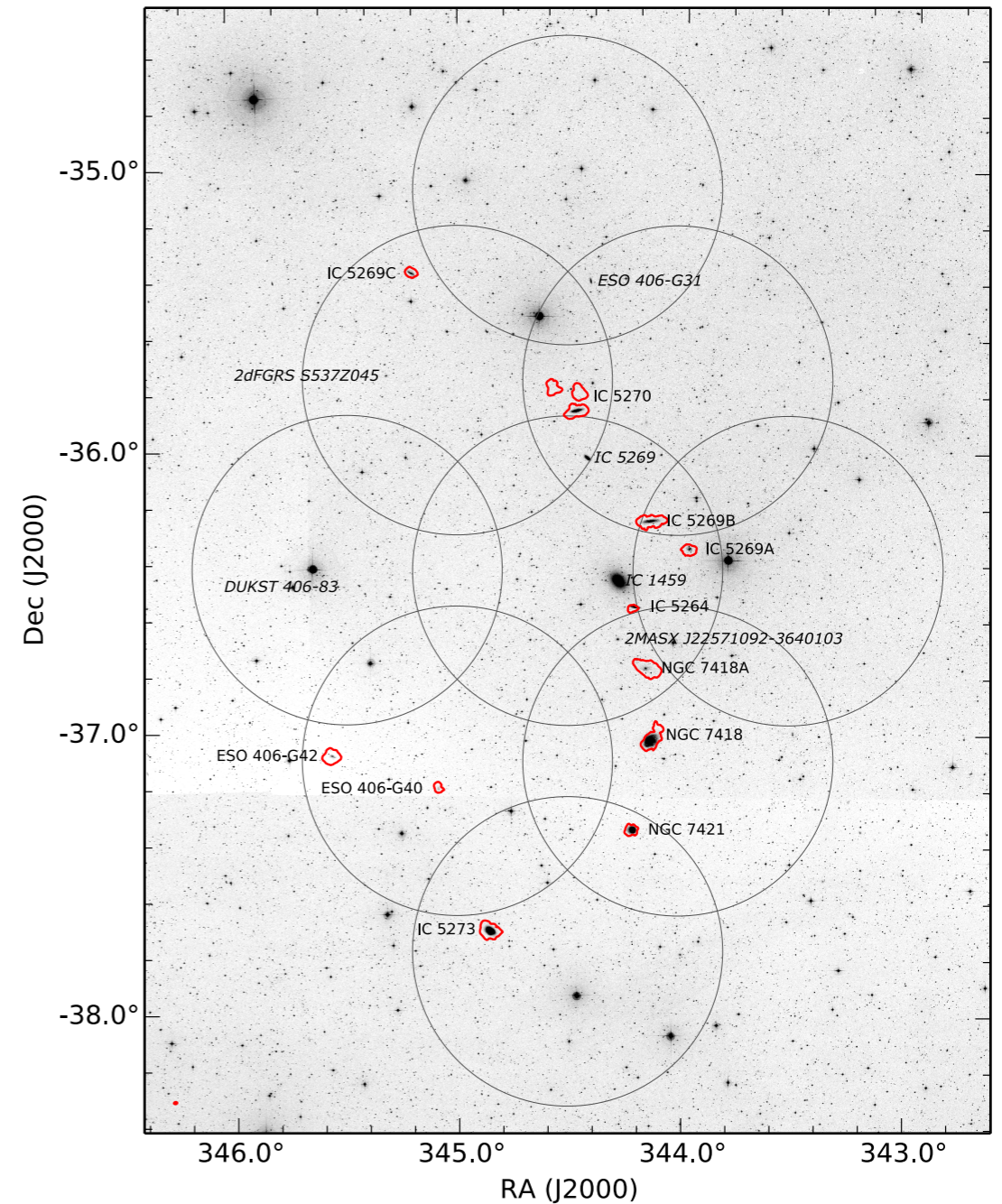
- Current observational capability does not allow for a full census of accreting gas in each galaxy
- Using human searches along with SoFiA (Serra et al.) to do uniform cloud detection within PBs ... but almost nothing is seen!
- We detect hardly any HI clouds that are not associated with the main disks or tidal interactions
- **HALOGAS detects insufficient amounts of (cold) accretion in HI emission**
- See Eva Jütte's and Filippo Fraternali's talks this afternoon for interpretation

- HI thick disks are not ubiquitous, but have properties that seem to align with underlying galaxies
 - Detections vs non-detections gives important leverage
 - SF seems to be at the root of HI thick disk properties
- Accretion seemingly not predominantly in the form of clouds, and not in the form of minor mergers (Di Teodoro & Fraternali 2014)
 - Era of galaxy SFR decline?
 - In the form of hot gas, and brought to the disk via fountain?
 - Need for a better search out at the virial radius?

Looking to the future



- Current observational capability does not allow for a full census of accreting gas in each galaxy
- But this is bound to change with ASKAP & APERTIF!
- NB: Typical virial radius for HALOGAS galaxies is ~ 250 kpc
 - For ASKAP, FoV = 5.5 deg x 5.5 deg; APERTIF 3 deg x 3 deg
 - ASKAP = full V_{vir} for galaxies $D > 5$ Mpc with full sensitivity
 - APERTIF = full V_{vir} for galaxies $D > 10$ Mpc with full sensitivity

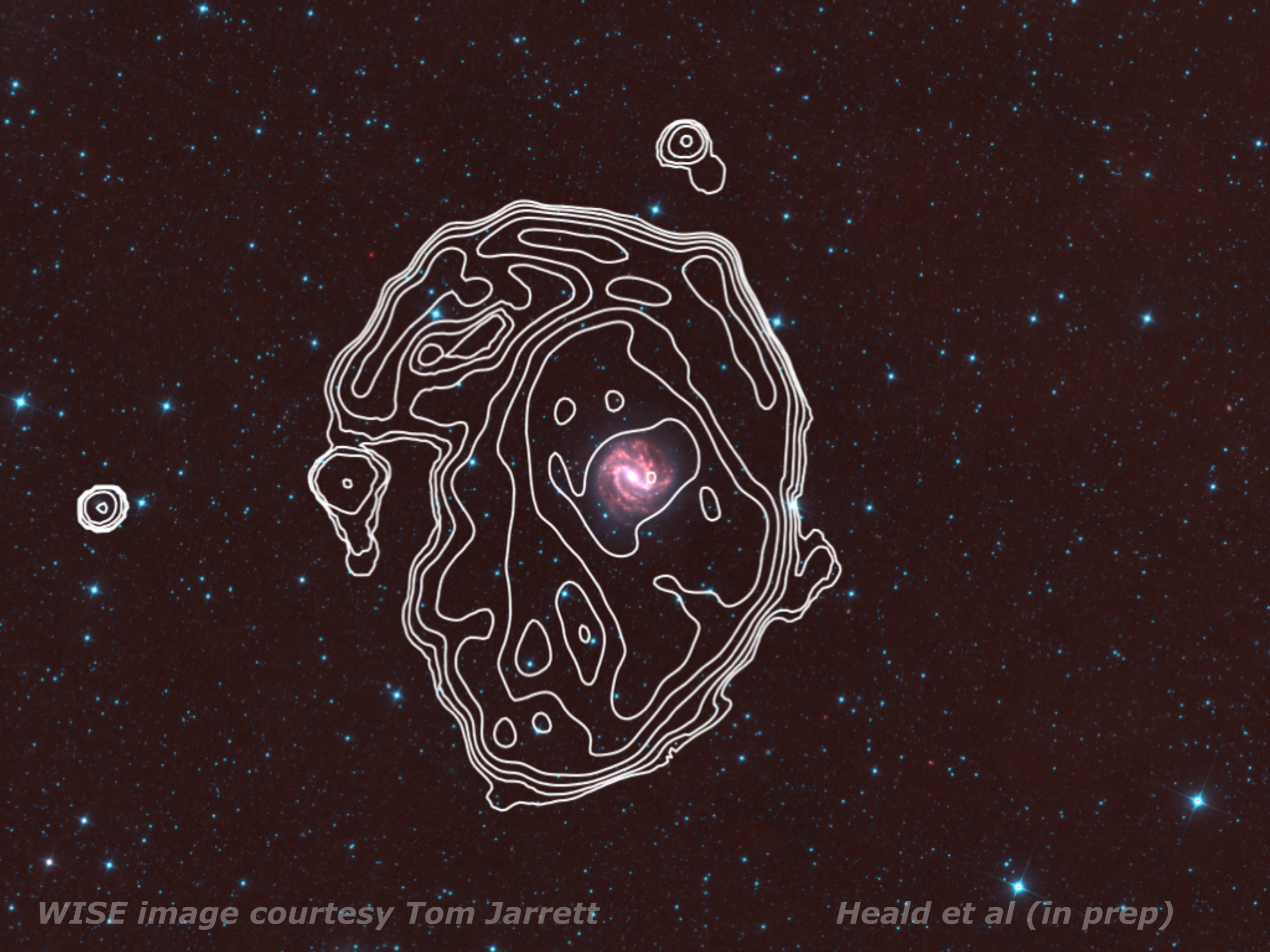


ASKAP (BETA): Serra et al 2015

- MHONGOOSE (de Blok et al)
MeerKAT HI Observations of Nearby Galactic Objects: Observing Southern Emitters
- Deep HI observations of nearby galaxies, with commensal polarized continuum to investigate magnetic fields
- First look at M83 with KAT-7 in 2013
 - Initially in full-Stokes continuum mode
Produced intriguing HI map despite poor velocity resolution
 - Recent reobservation (reduction ongoing) in line mode
 - 6/7 antennas operational for first scan, all 7 for the rest
 - 3 pointing mosaic, in total ~60h on source
 - Data reduced in miriad using standard bandpass and interleaved gain (phase) calibrators

MHONGOOSE

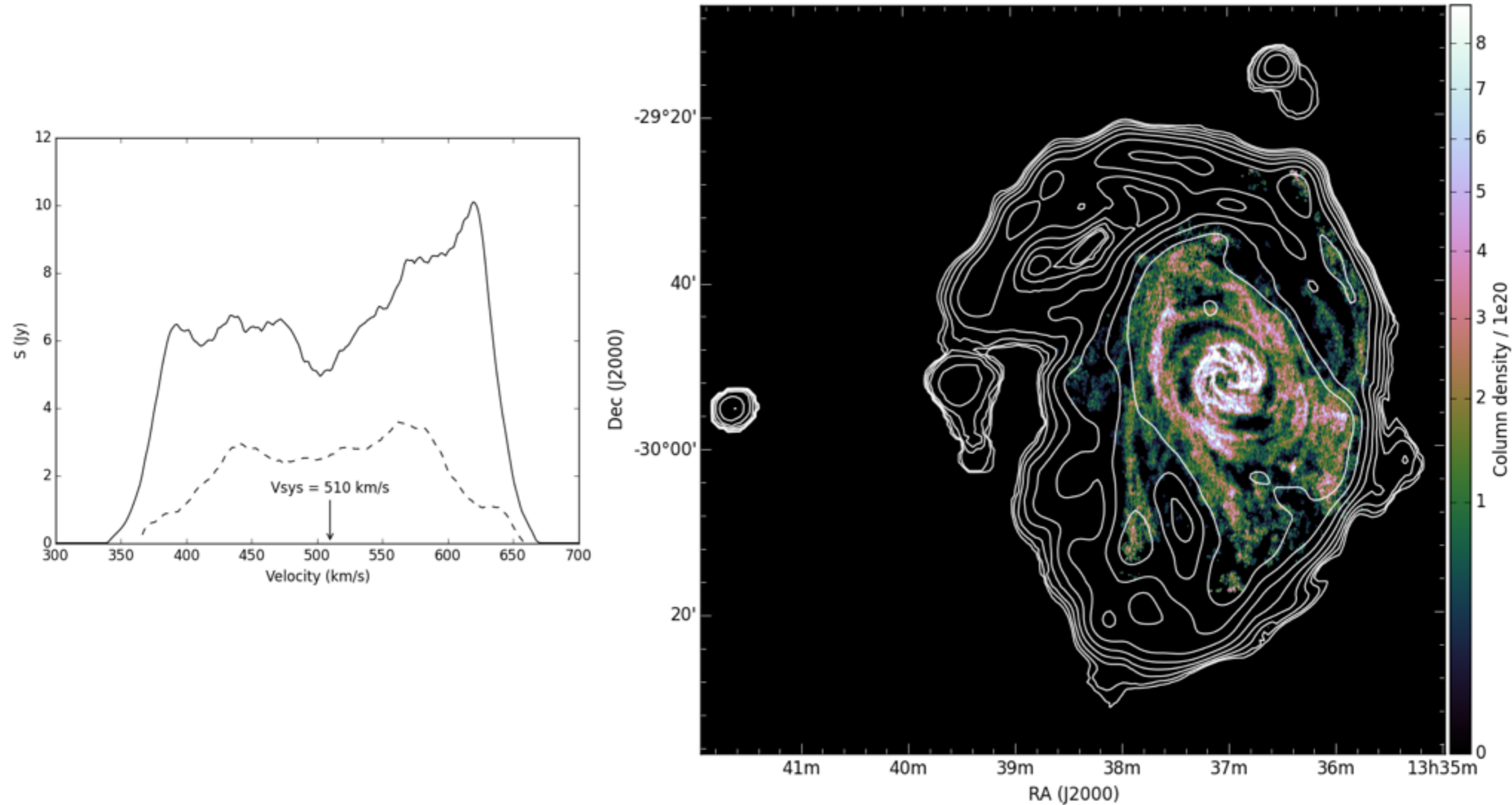
Talk by Yiannis Bagetakos on Fri



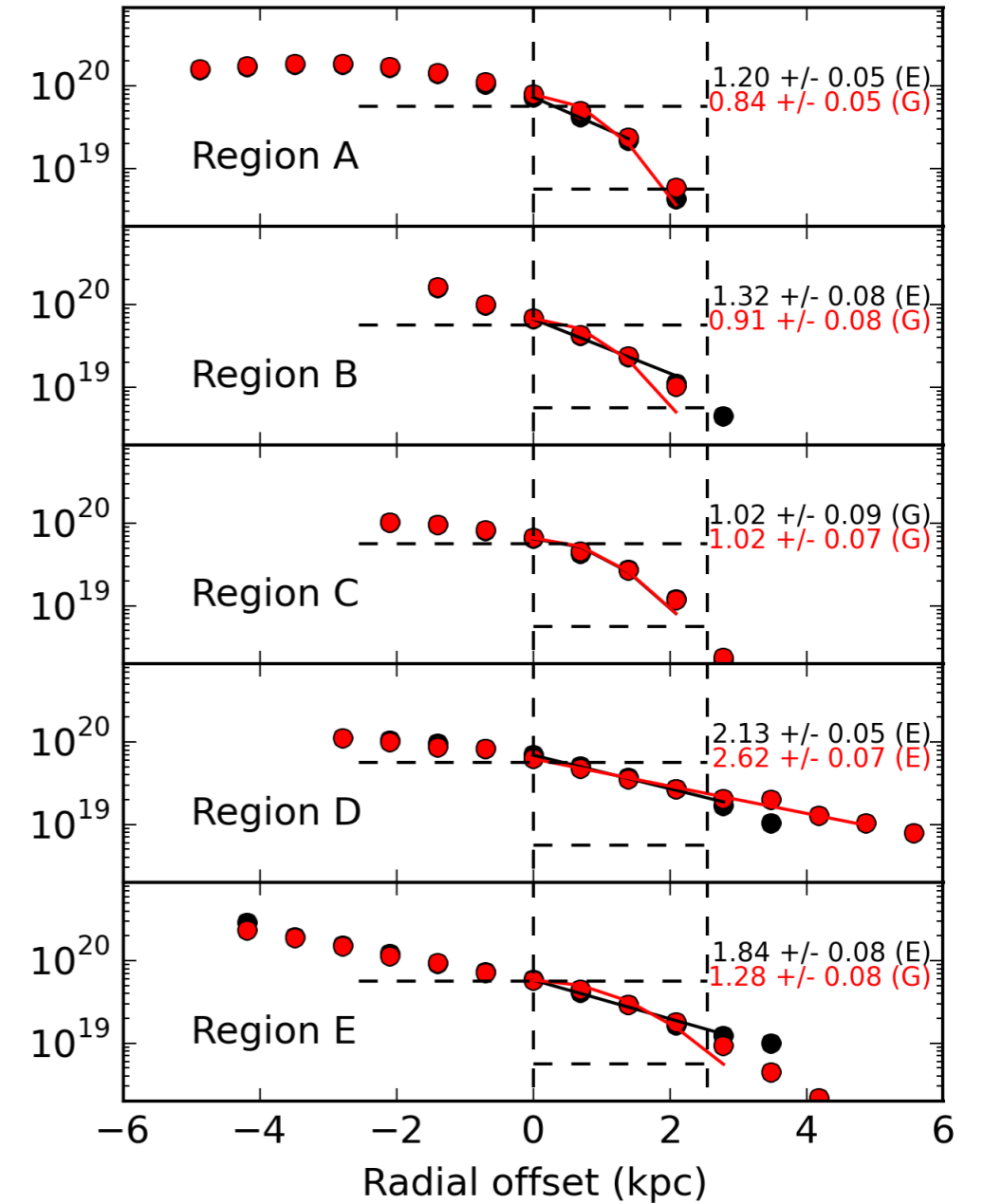
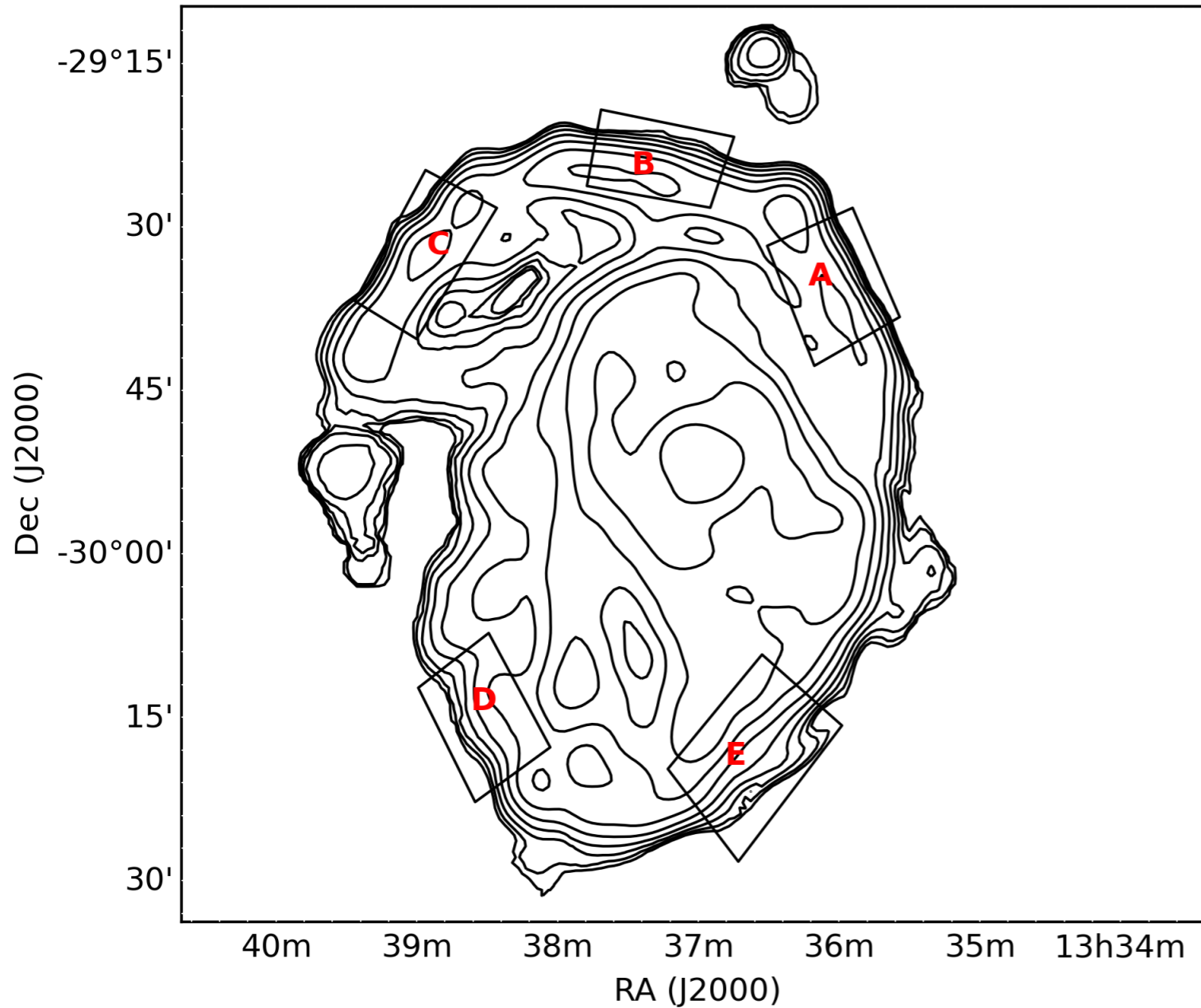
WISE image courtesy Tom Jarrett

Heald et al (in prep)

- Column density threshold similar to HALOGAS, with $\sim 3'$ resolution



- Edge of the disk?



- HALOGAS: Interpretation underway
 - Providing access to a broad range of extraplanar characteristics (including *important* non-detections...)
 - SF origin of extraplanar HI layers and role in gas accretion
 - HALOGAS accretion catalog
- Near-term prospects for extending lessons from HALOGAS
 - APERTIF Medium-deep survey, MeerKAT/MHONGOOSE
 - Preliminary work with KAT-7 is already providing new access to low column density (diffuse) HI!
 - More to come...