

Measuring Turbulent Motions: from Galaxies to GMCs to Star-Forming Cores

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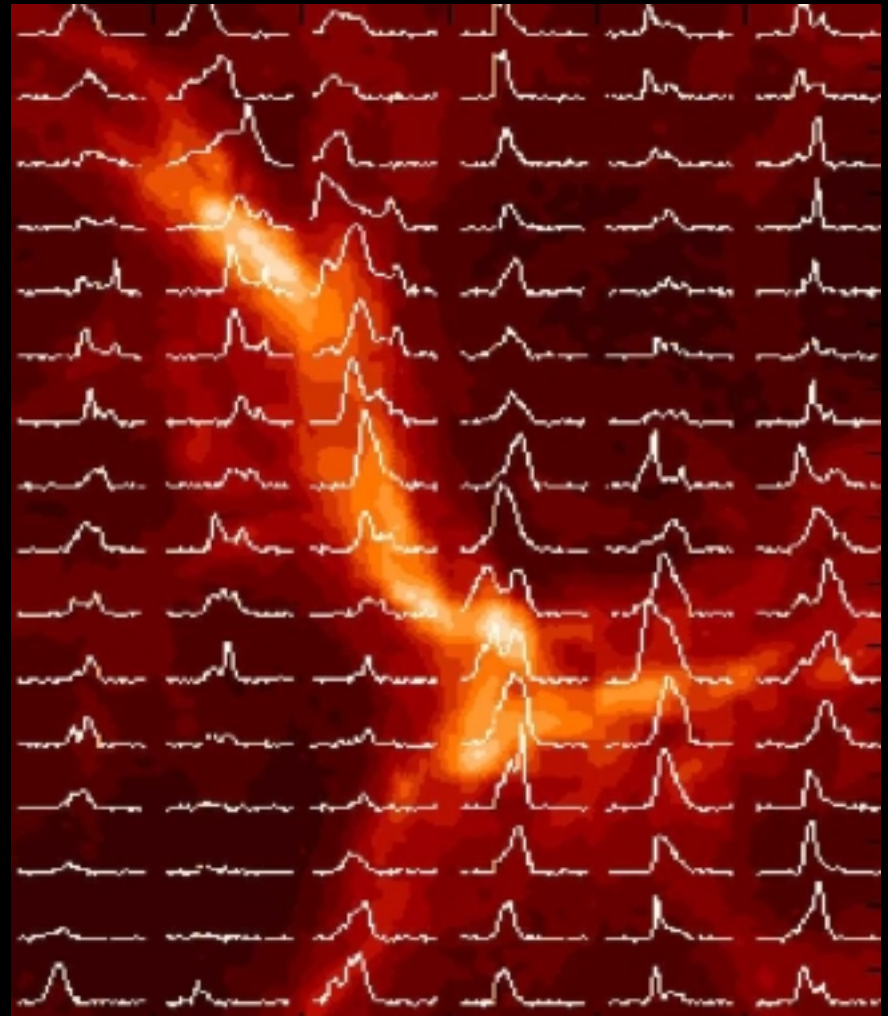
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What did Alyssa Goodman say about “Measuring Turbulent Motions” in Santa Cruz?

The Spectral Correlation Function (SCF)

- Can **discriminate amongst** observed and simulated spectral-line **maps** other statistical measures find identical (Rosolowsky, Goodman, Wilner & Williams 1999, ApJ, 524, 887).
- Exhibits power-law behavior as a function of scale, the index of which seems to be excellent **diagnostic of the nature of turbulence** (Padoan, Rosolowsky & Goodman 2001, ApJ, 547, 862).
- Can **map the scale height** of a mostly **face-on galaxy** (the LMC; Padoan, Kim, Goodman & Staveland-Smith 2001, ApJ, 555, 33).
- Should have its **greatest use** in the **fine-tuning of simulations** (e.g. Ballesteros-Paredes, Vazquez-Semadeni & Goodman 2001, preprint).
- Should be able to **find “coherent cores”** (see Goodman, Barranco, Wilner & Heyer 1998, ApJ, 504, 223). MHD simulations already show a **“turbulent shock origin of cores”** (Padoan, Juvela, Goodman & Nordlund 2001, ApJ, 553, 227), as well as **“accidental” infall profiles** (Padoan et al. 2001, in prep).

Outflows

- Are *definitely* highly **episodic**, and their episodic nature can explain steep observed mass-velocity relations (Arce & Goodman 2001, ApJL, 551, L171; Arce & Goodman 2001, ApJ, 554, 132). Influence of episodicity on “driving” turbulence still needs to be understood.

Provocative Suggestion

- The central source of the outflow in **PVCeph** might be **moving at $\sim 10 \text{ km s}^{-1}$** (Arce & Goodman 2001, in prep.).

What is the Spectral Correlation Function?

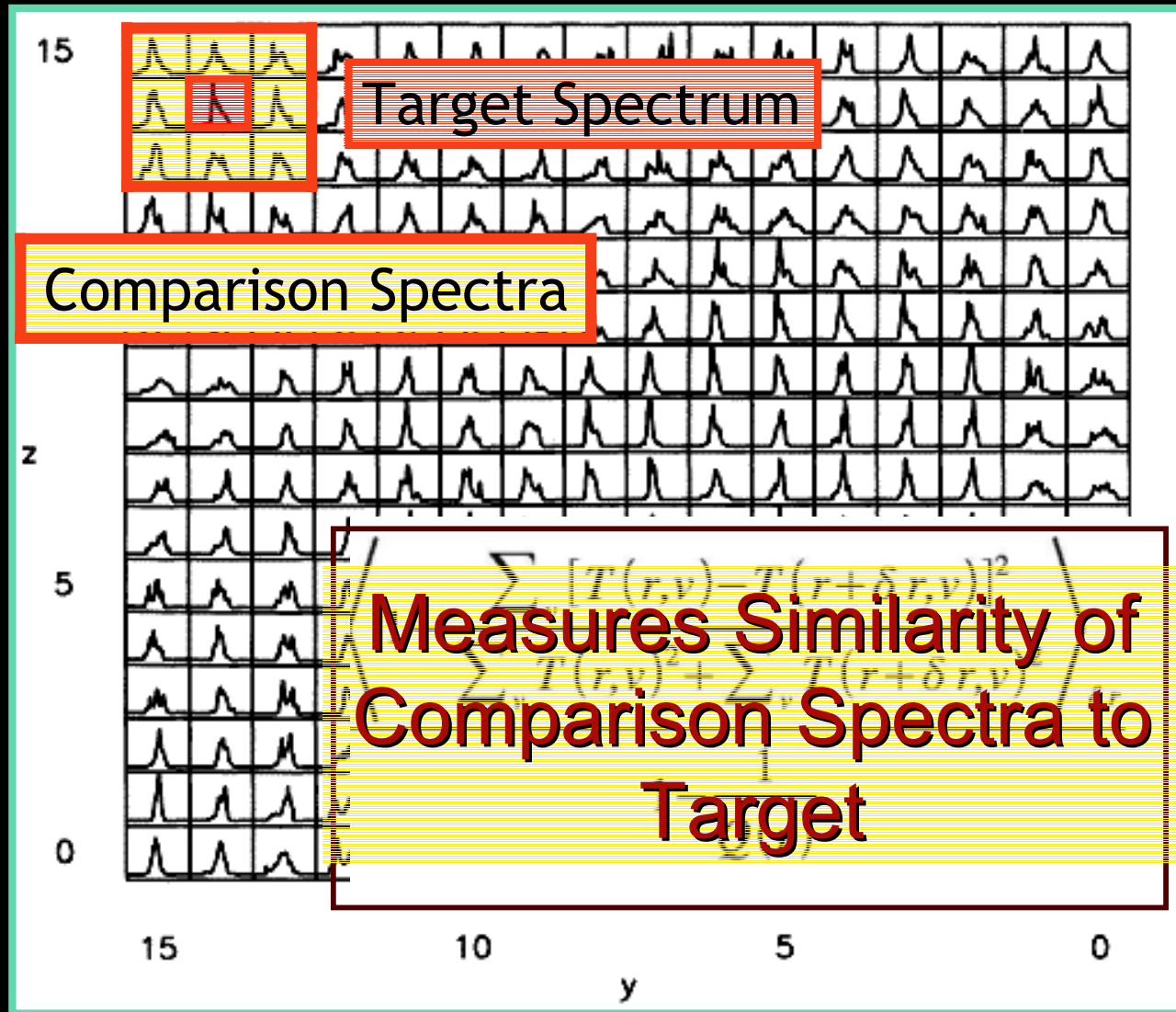


Figure from Falgarone et al. 1994

SCF, v.1.0

(Rosolowsky et al. 1999)

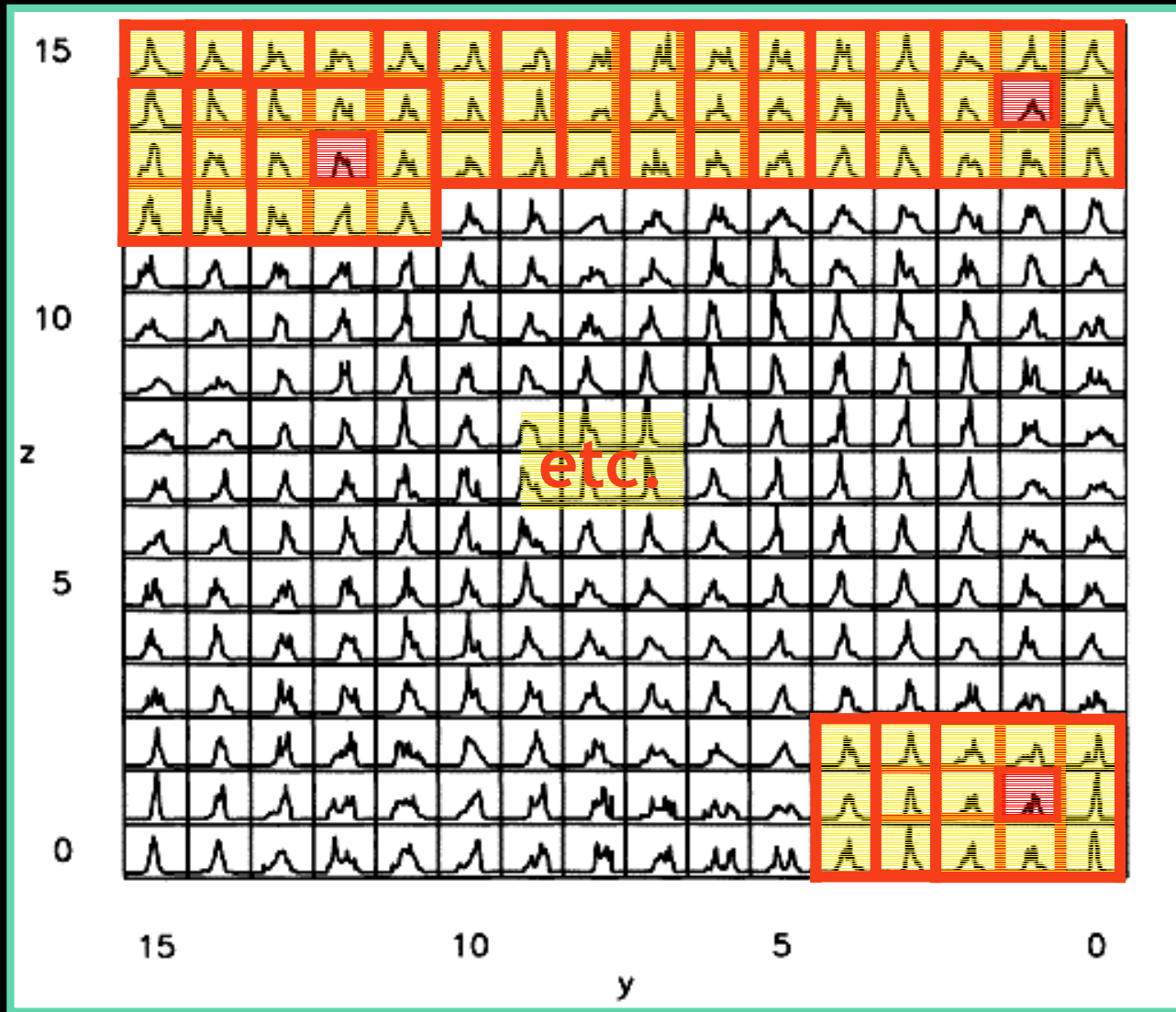
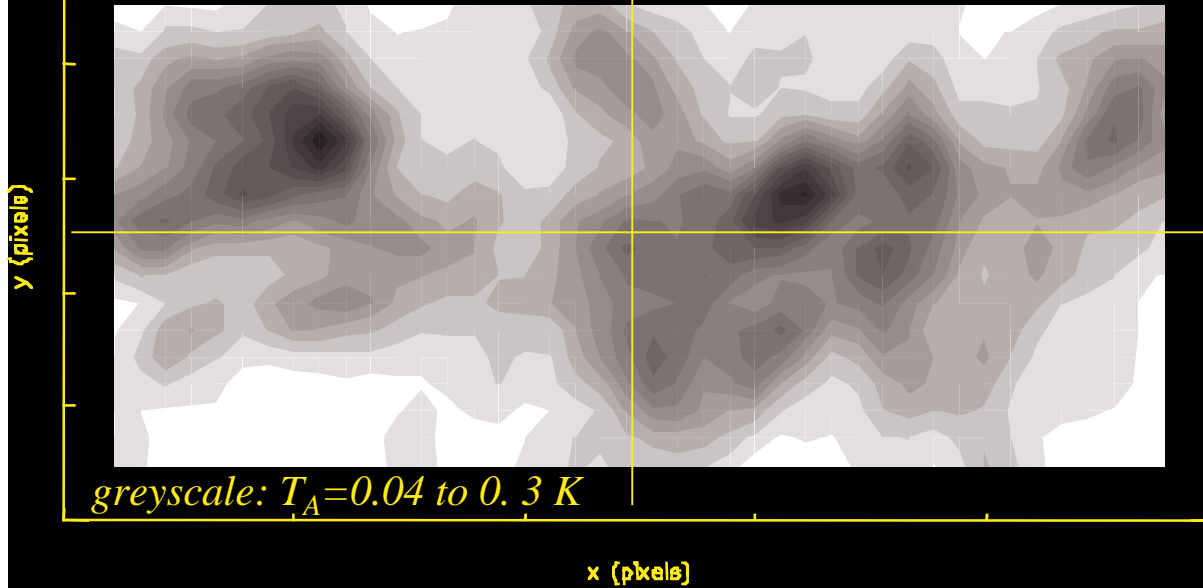
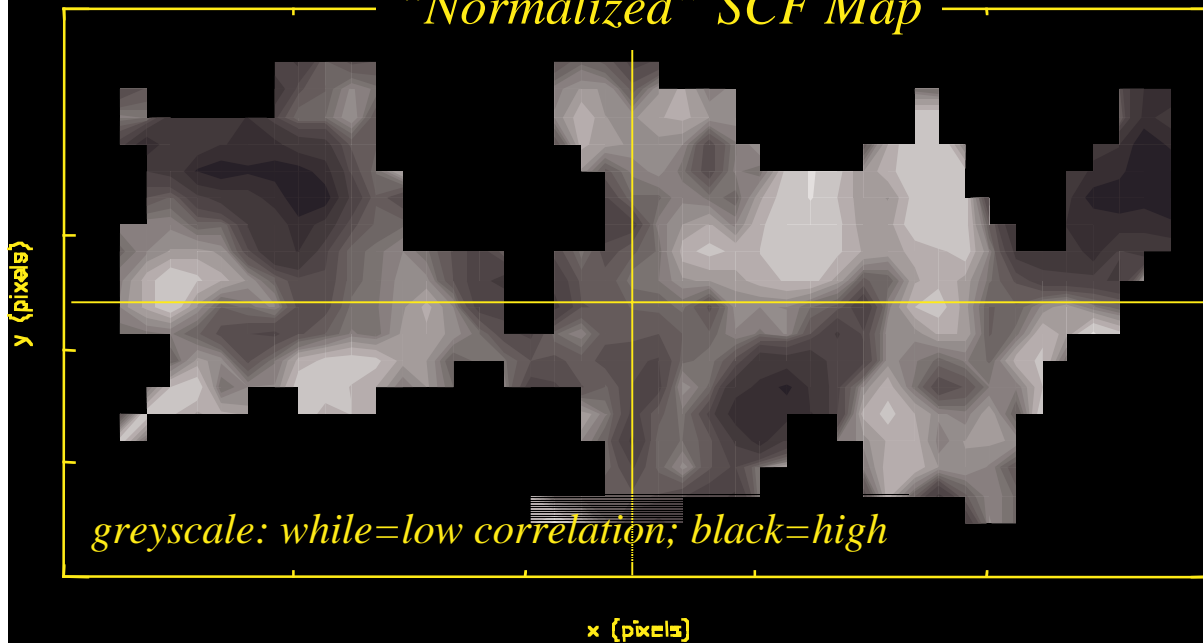


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Antenna Temperature Map



“Normalized” SCF Map

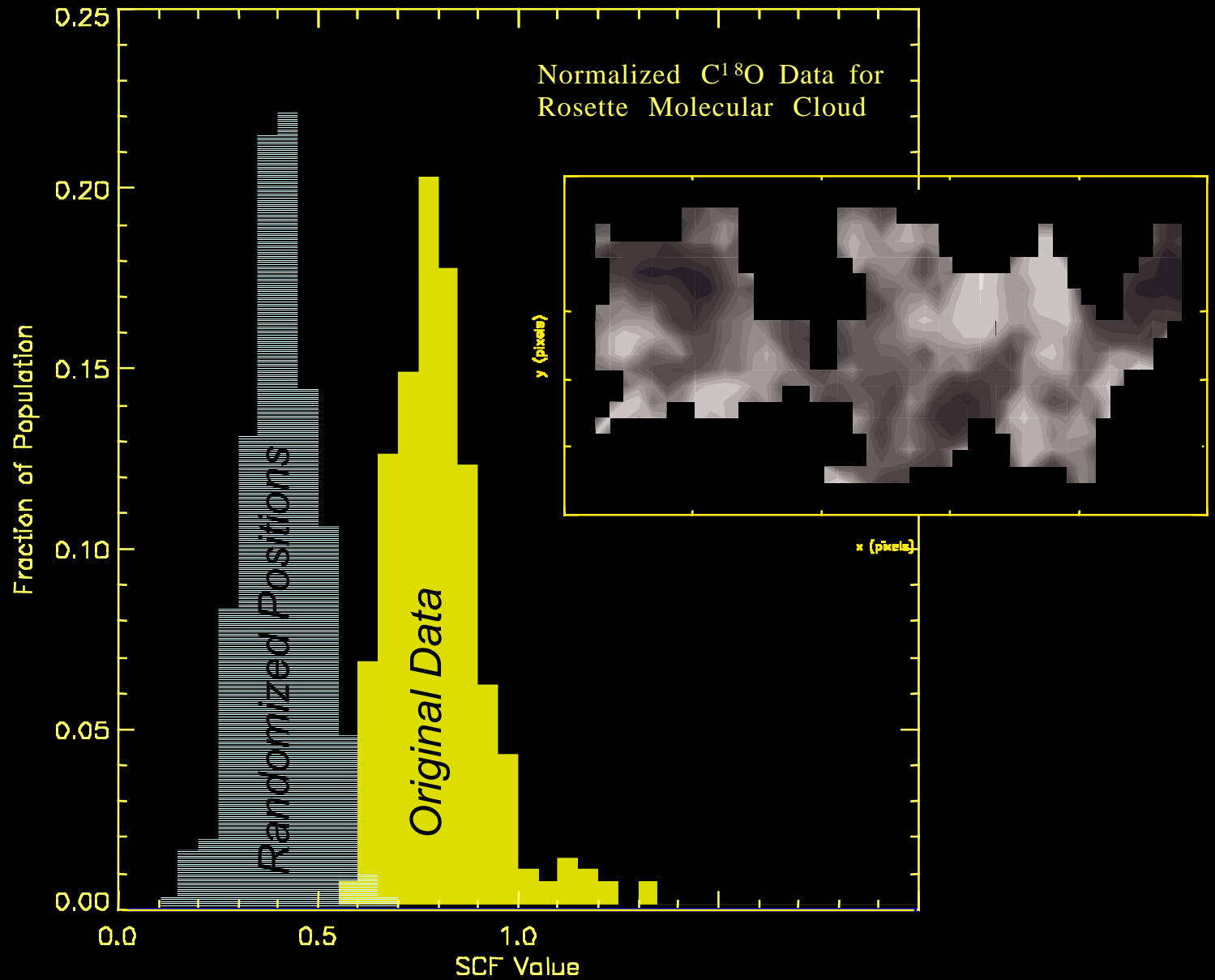


Application of the SCF

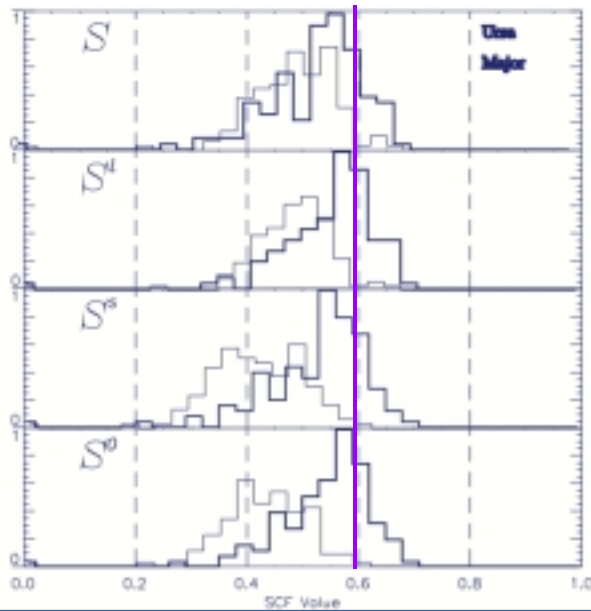
Data shown: $C^{18}O$ map of Rosette, courtesy *M. Heyer et al.*

Results: *Padoan, Rosolowsky & Goodman 2001.*

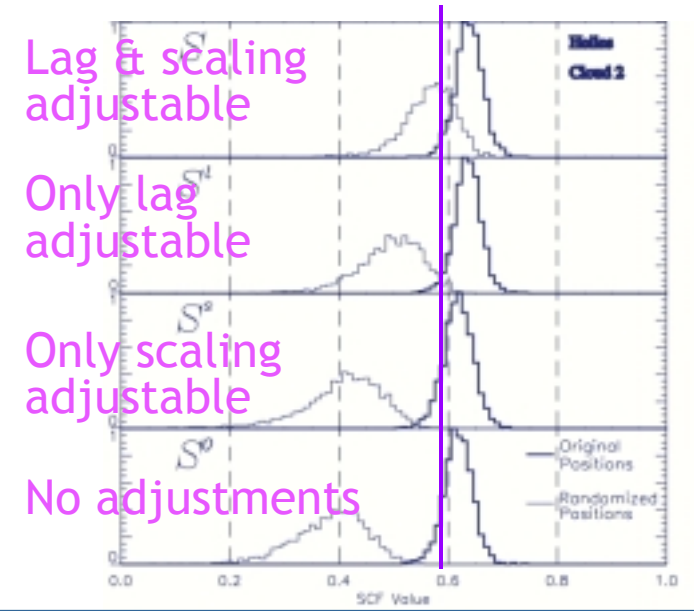
SCF Distributions



Unbound High-Latitude Cloud



Self-Gravitating, Star-Forming Region



Insights from SCF v.1.0

Rosolowsky,
Goodman, Williams
& Wilner 1999

Lag & scaling adjustable

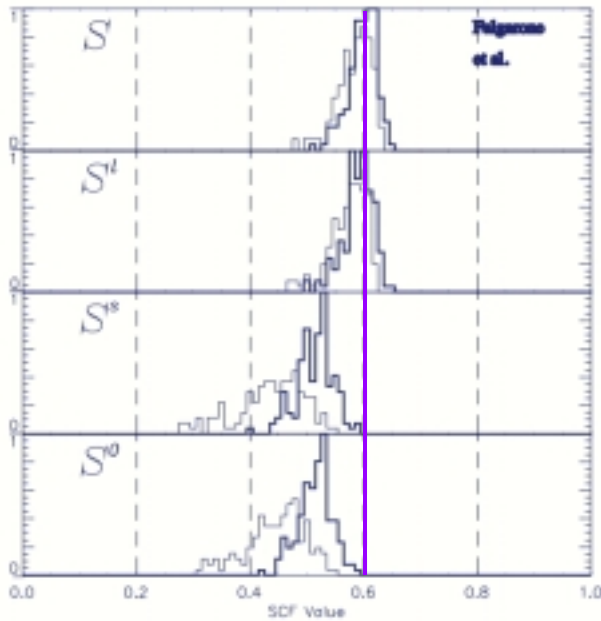
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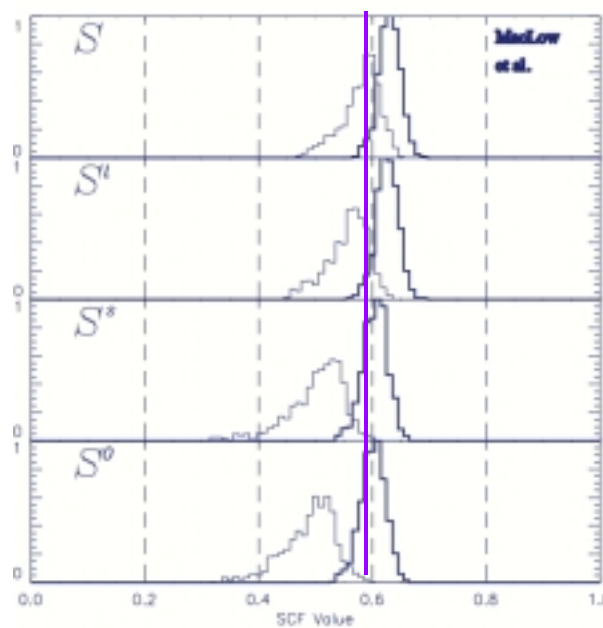
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Observations

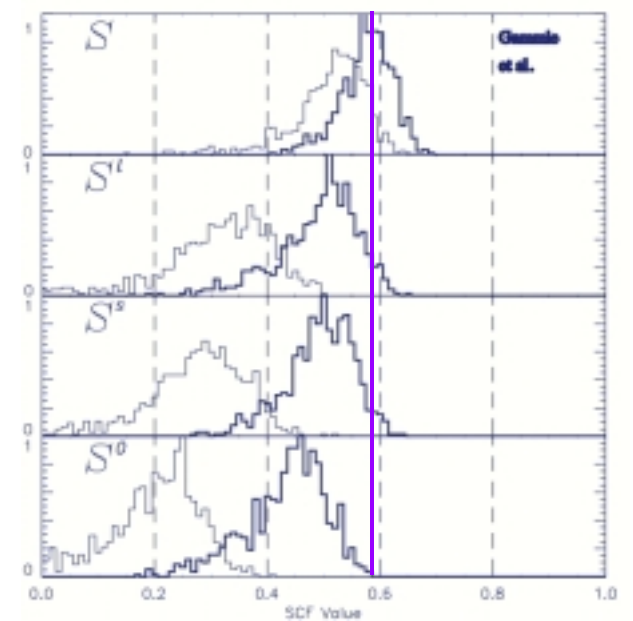
Simulations



No gravity, No B field

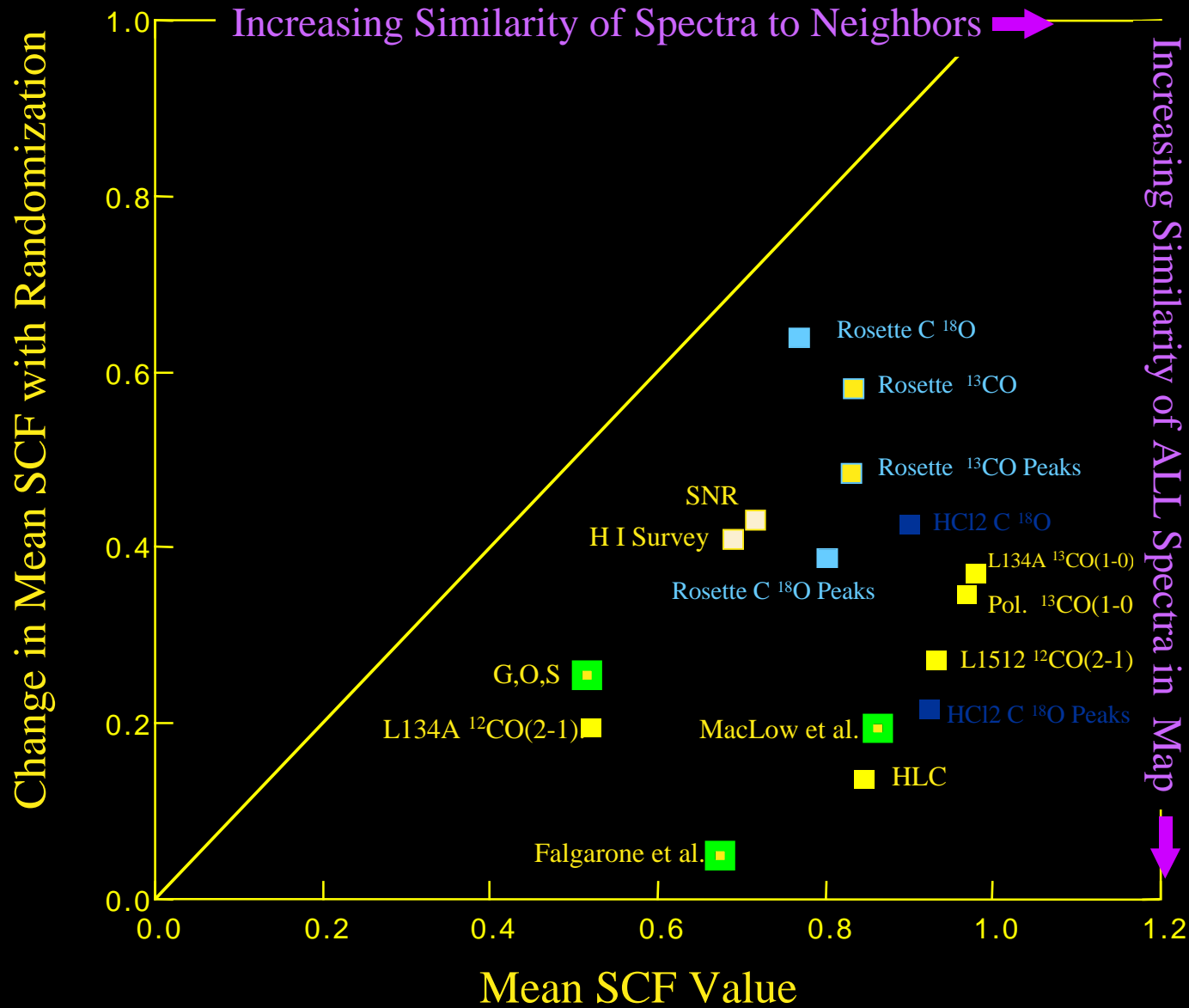


No gravity, Yes B field



Yes gravity, Yes B field

Which of these is not like the others?



The Spectral Correlation Function as a Function of Spatial Scale

(v.2.0; Padoan et al. 2001)

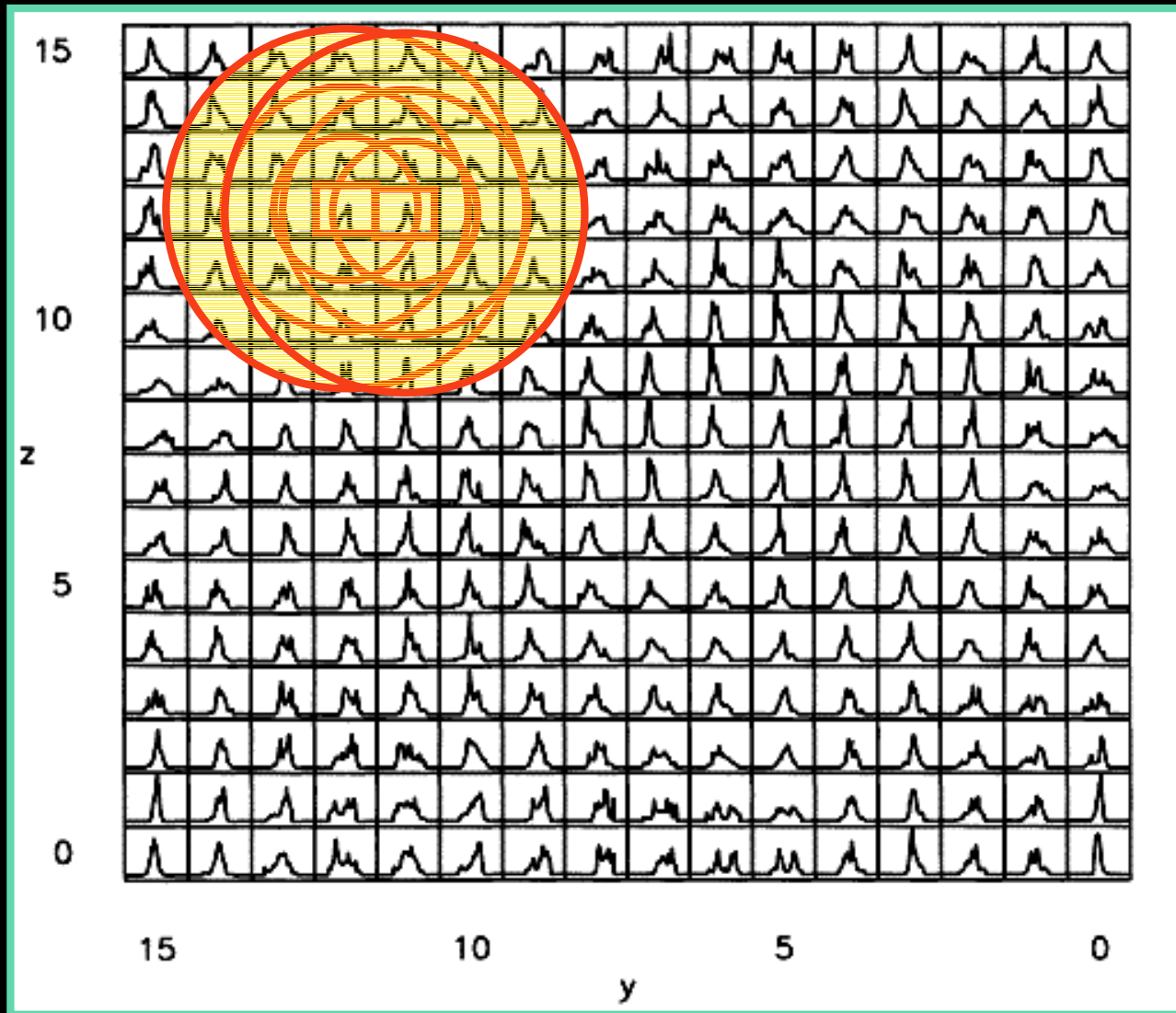
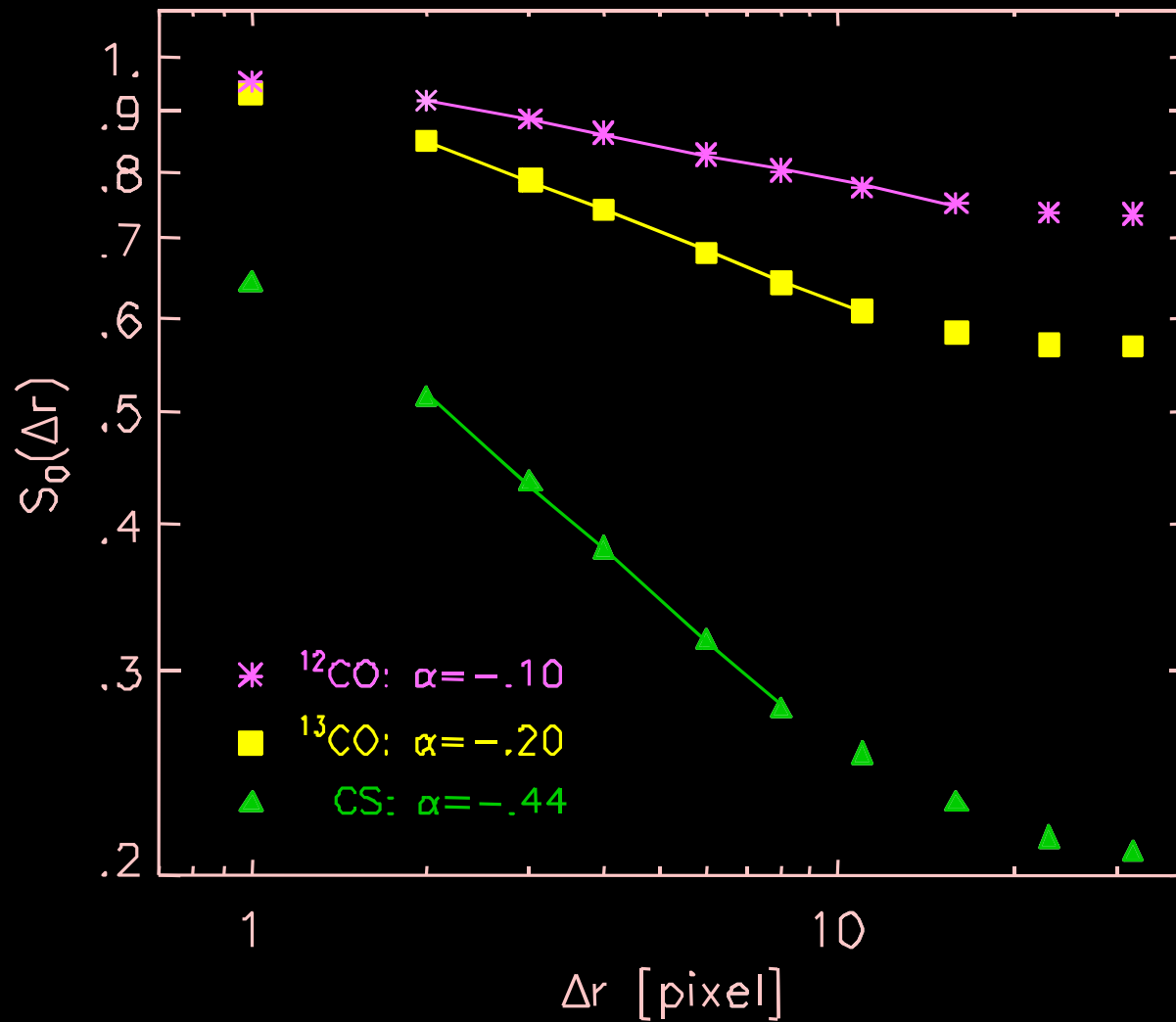


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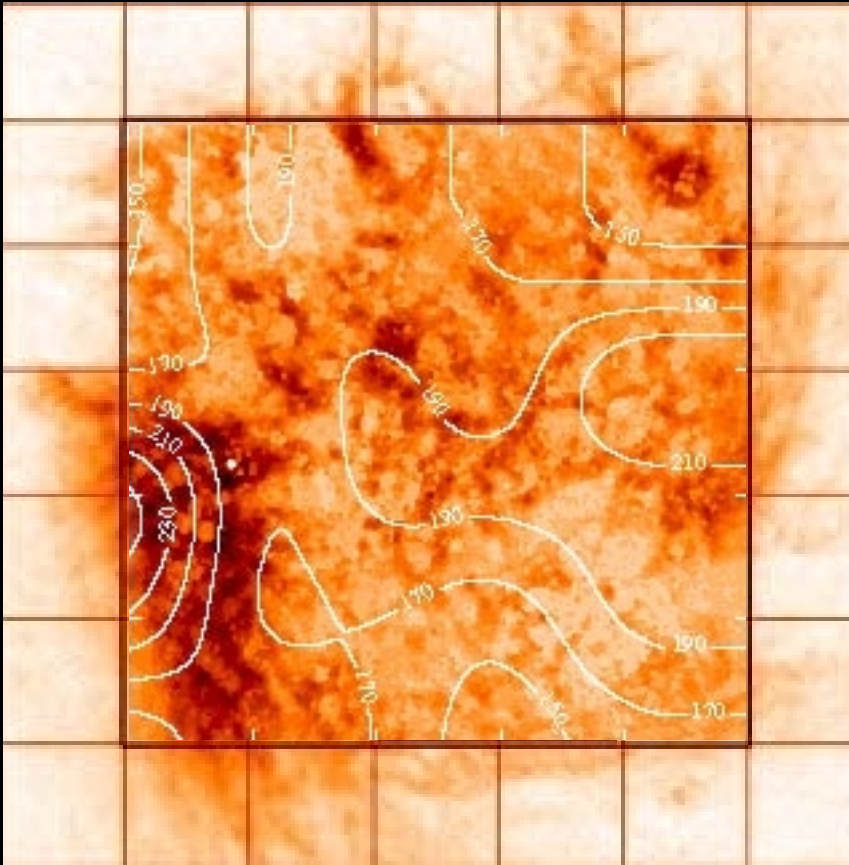
v.2.0: Scale-Dependence of the SCF



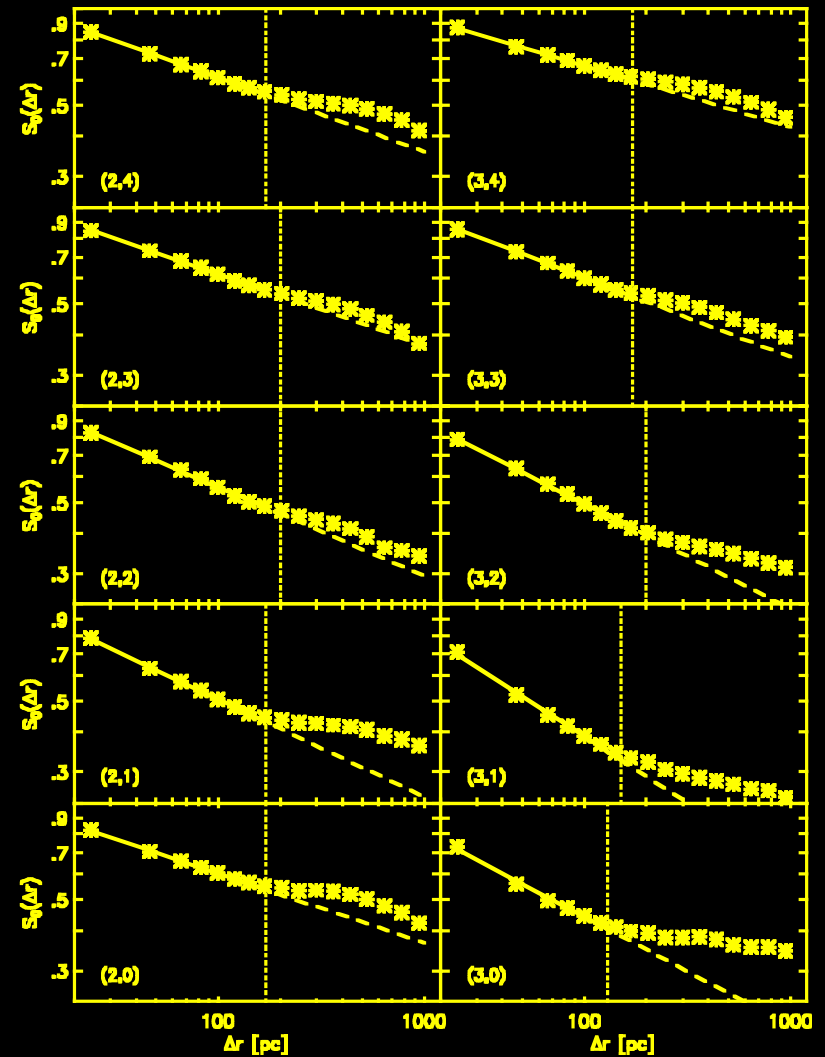
Example for "Simulated Data"

Padoan, Rosolowsky & Goodman 2001

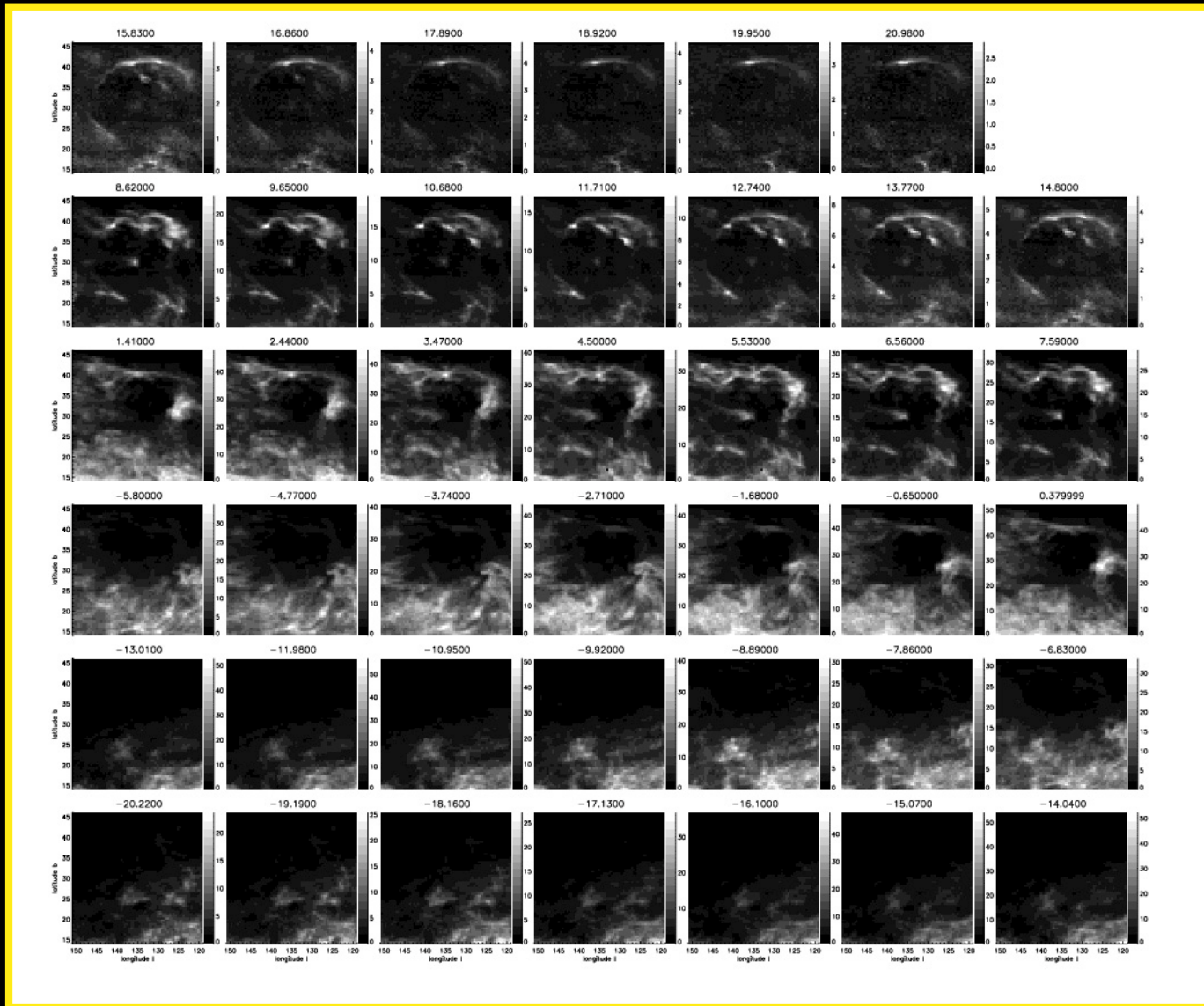
Galactic Scale Heights from the SCF (v.2.0)



HI map of the LMC from ATCA & Parkes Multi-Beam, courtesy Stavelly-Smith, Kim, et al.



“Fine-tuning Simulations with the SCF”



Data: Hartmann & Burton 1999; Figure: Ballesteros-Paredes, Vazquez-Semadeni & Goodman 2001

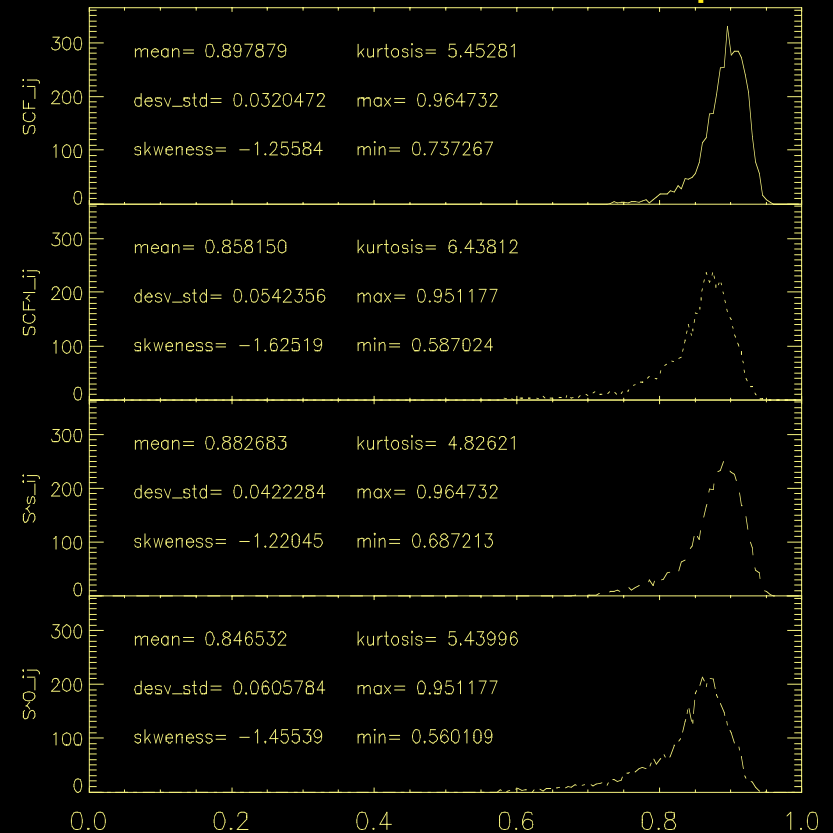
An Example of Fine-tuning

Comparison with simulations of Vazquez-Semadeni, Ballesteros-Paredes & collaborators shows:

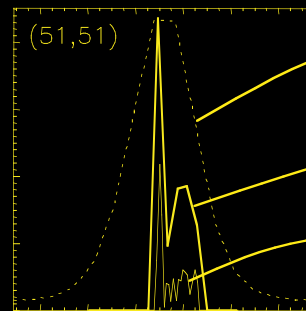
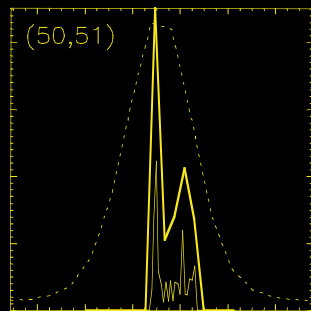
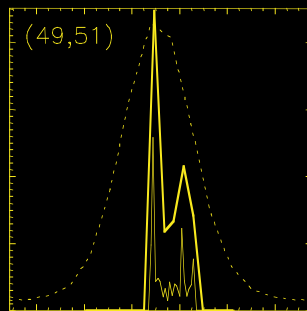
- “Thermal Broadening” of H I Line Profiles can hide much of the true(?) velocity structure
- SCF v.1.0 good at picking out shock-like structure in H I maps (also gives low correlation tail)

See Ballesteros-Paredes, Vazquez-Semadeni & Goodman 2001.

SCF v.1.0 for NCP Loop

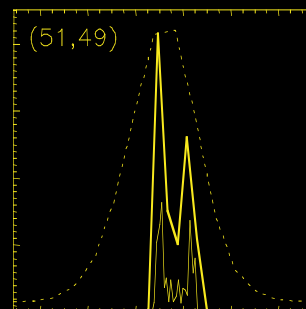
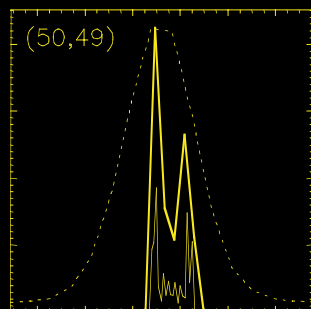
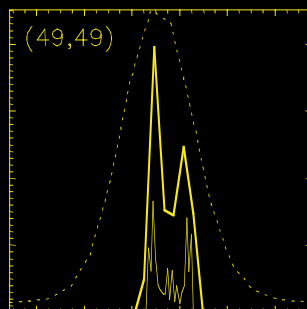
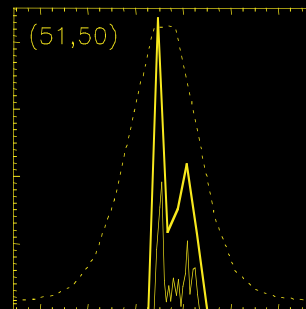
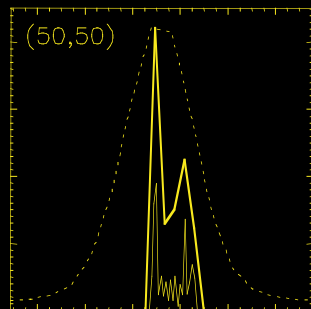
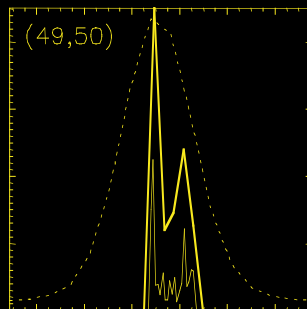


Revealing Shortcomings of a Simulation



“Thermally Broadened,”
very high therm/turb
Velocity histogram, 16
bins

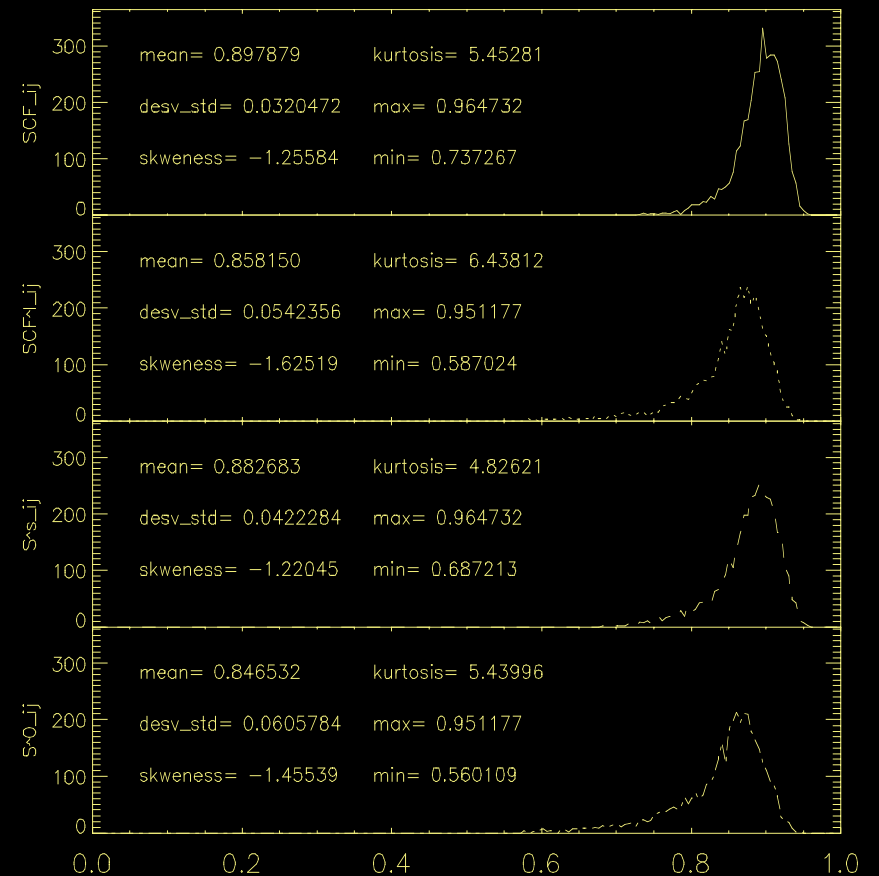
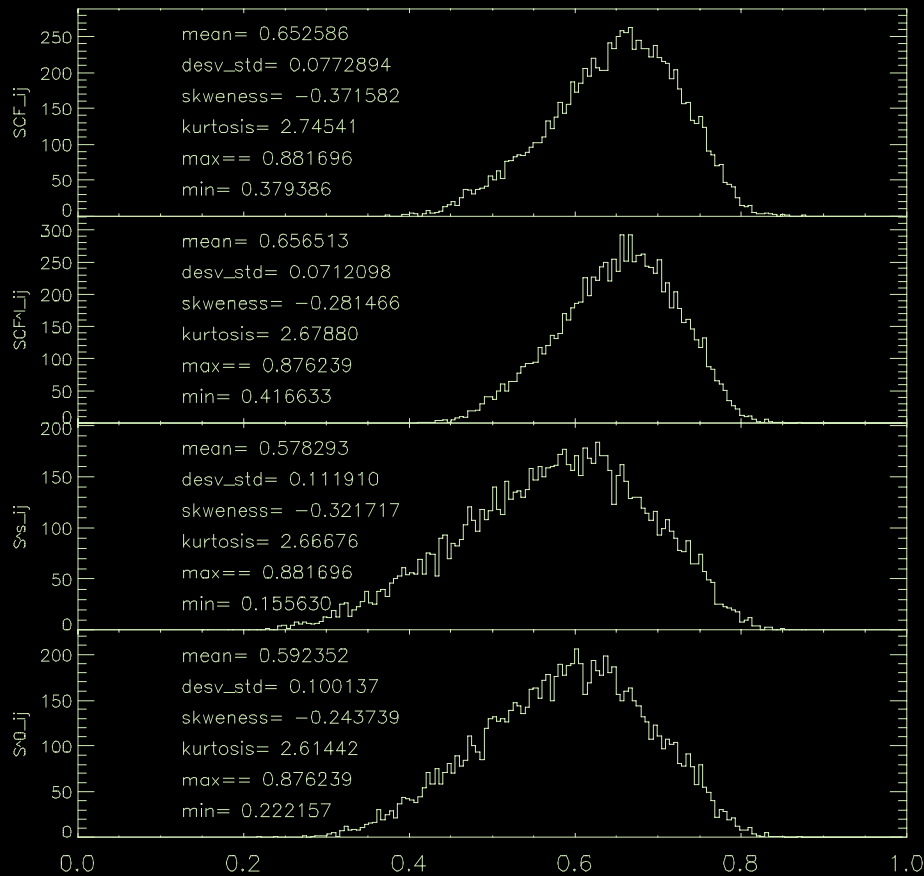
Velocity histogram, 64
bins



An Example of Fine-tuning

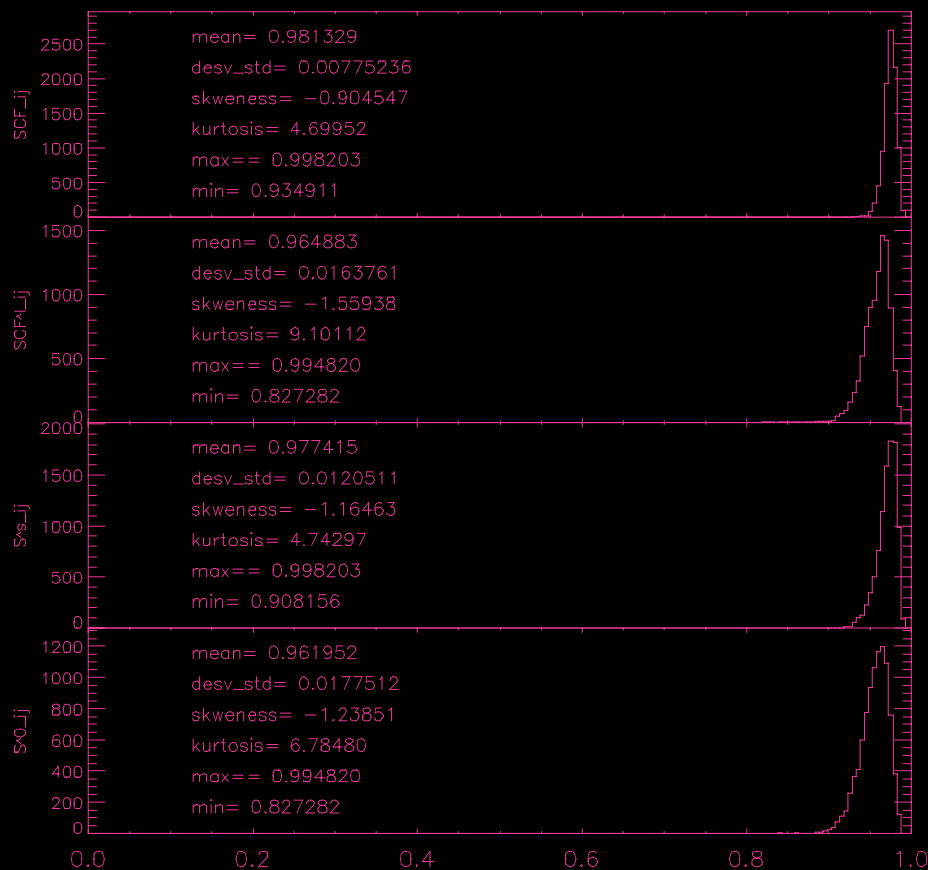
From v-histograms, 64 bins

H I Observations

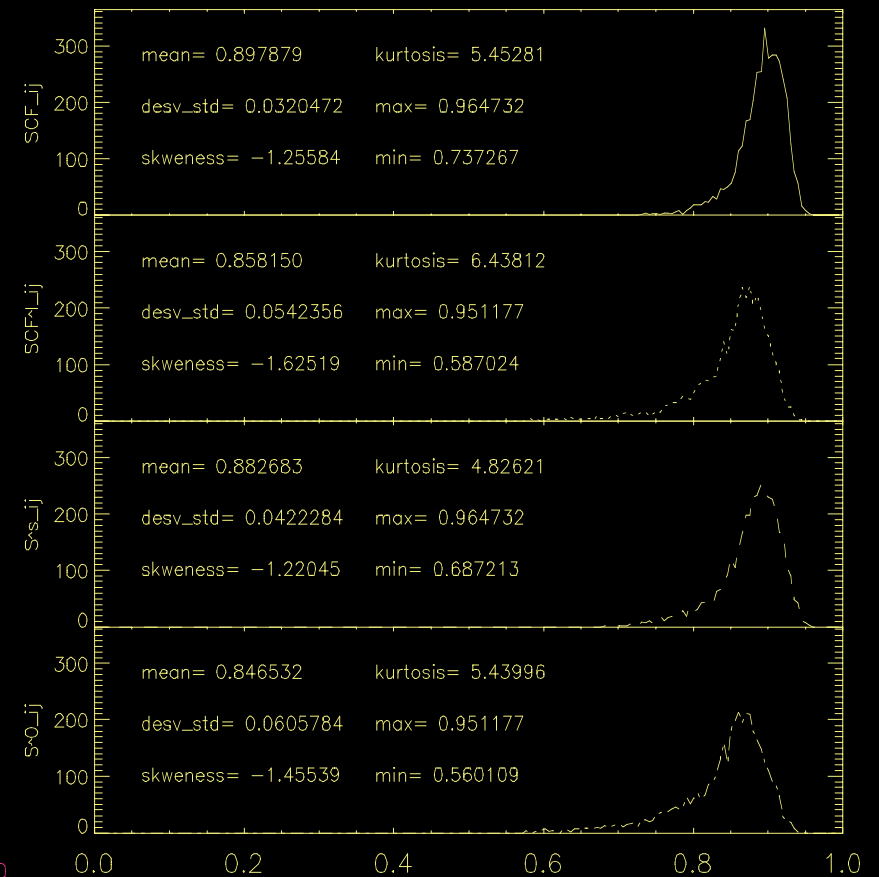


An Example of Fine-tuning

Thermally Broadened, high therm/turb



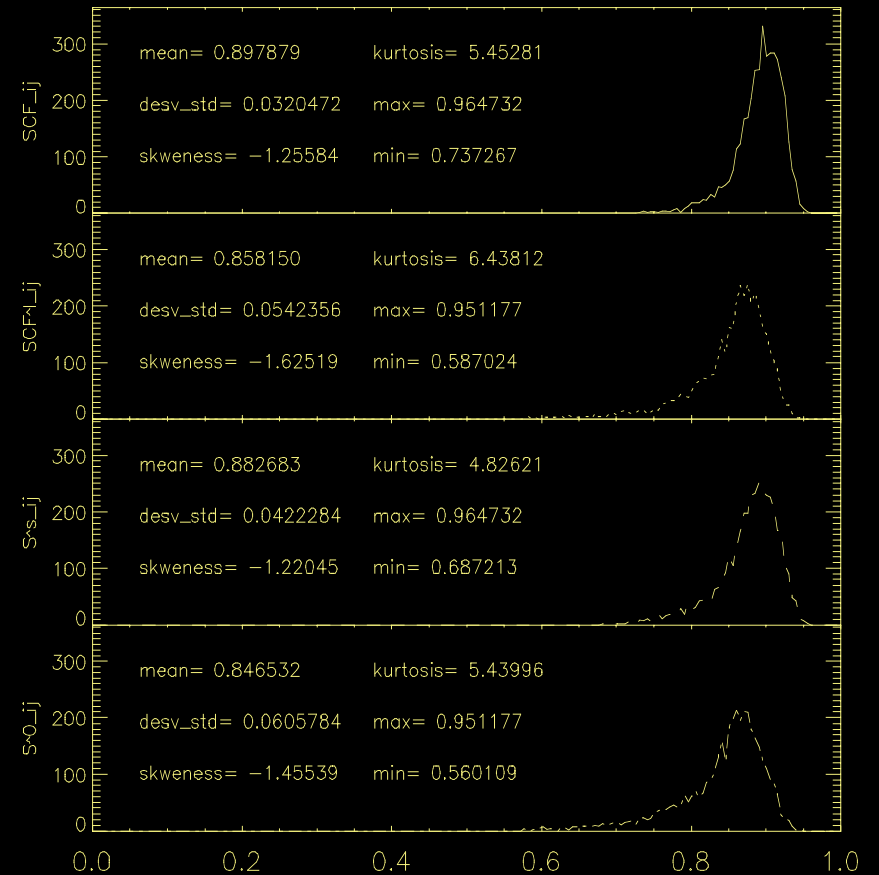
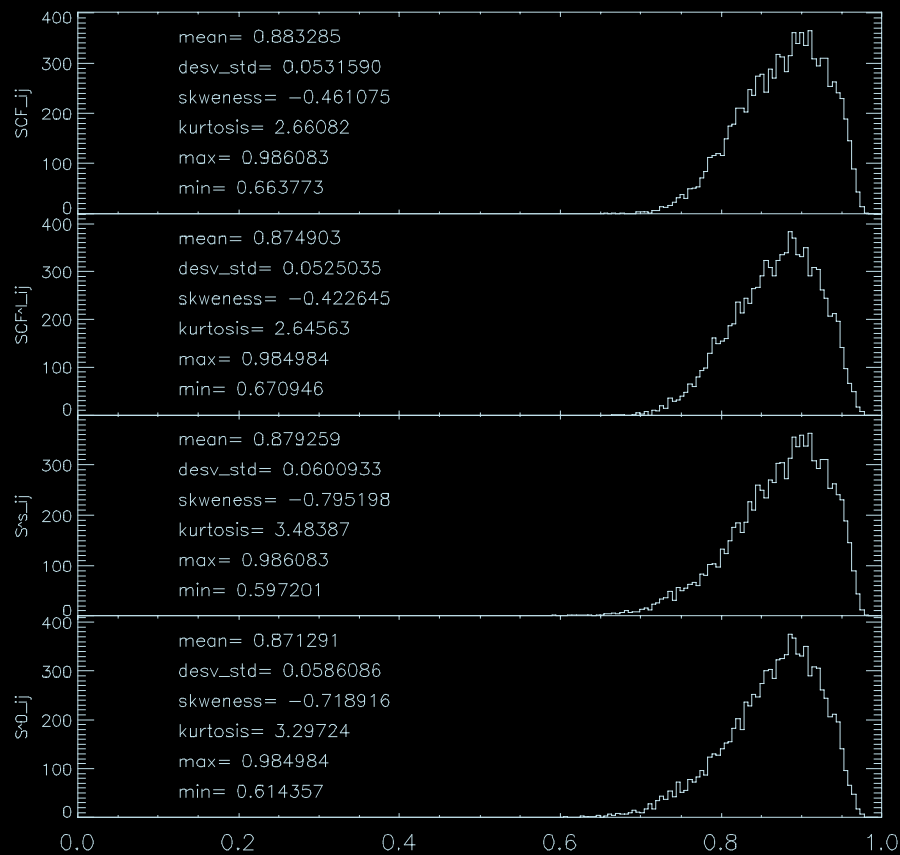
H I Observations



An Example of Fine-tuning

Reduce therm/turb x 6
--best match!

H I Observations



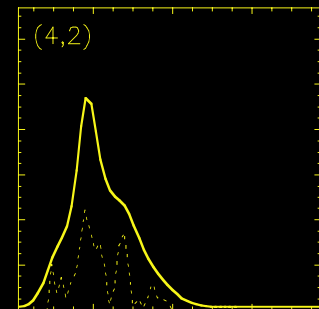
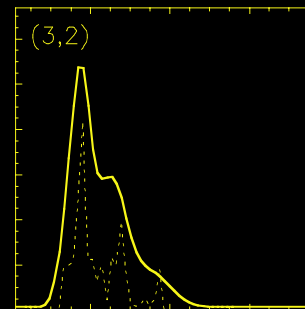
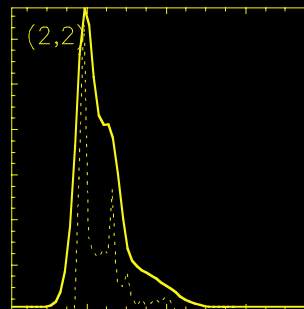
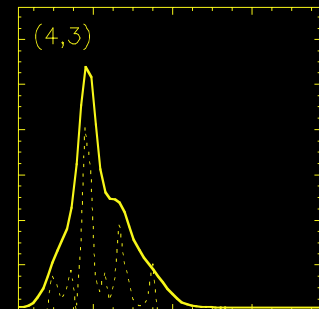
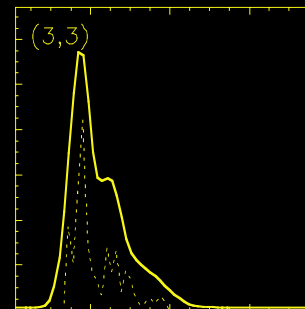
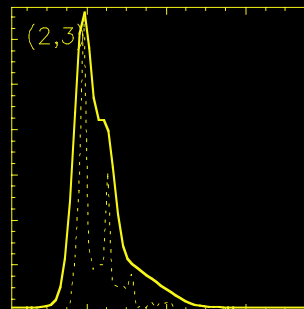
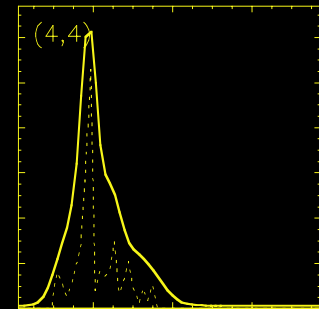
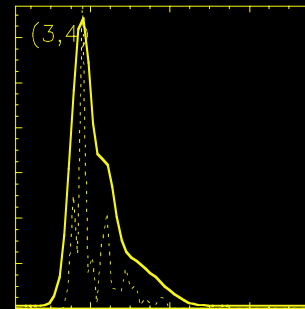
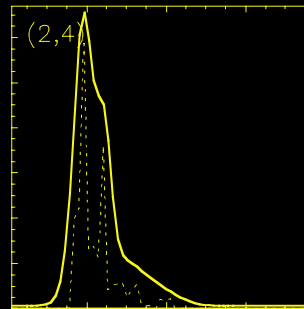
The Fine-Tuned Simulation

Sample spectra
after velocity scale
expanded x6 (to
mimic lower ratio
of thermal to
turbulent pressure)

Mean temperature should
really be $\ll 8000$ K

and/or

Much more energy input
to turbulence (e.g. real
SNe) needed



-20 0 20
velocity [km/sec]

-20 0 20
velocity [km/sec]

-20 0 20
velocity [km/sec]

Recent SCF Comparisons



What have we learned, lately, from well-matched simulations?

- Realistic core properties, and the IMF can be reproduced from “turbulent fragmentation.”
(Padoan & Nordlund 2000; Padoan, Juvela, Goodman & Nordlund 2001)
- Reduction in polarization near peaks of SCUBA maps caused by reduced polarization efficiency, not geometry. (Padoan, Goodman, Draine, Juvela, Nordlund & Rögnvaldsson 2001)
- “Infall” can be faked, but not w/o non-LTE radiative transfer. (Padoan et al., in prep.)

Simulations by Padoan et al.

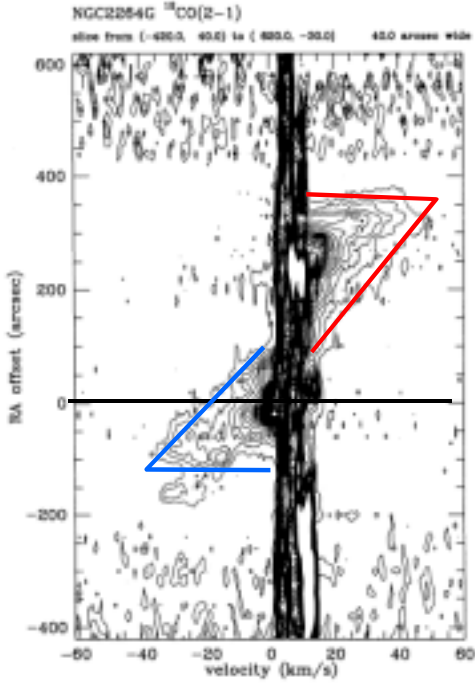


Pattern is similar to observations of extended infall by e.g. Lee, Myers & Tafalla 2001.

What *about* outflows, Mordecai??

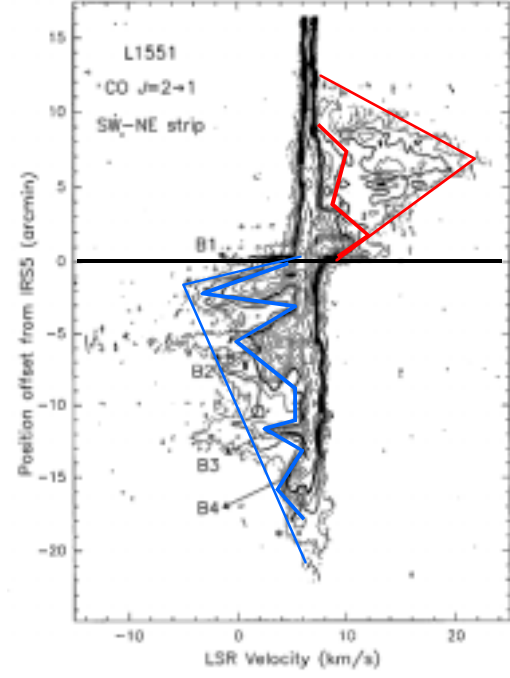
- They're highly episodic.
- Much momentum and energy *is* deposited in the cloud ($\sim 10^{44}$ to 10^{45} erg, comparable or greater than cloud K.E.).
- Some cloud features are *all* outflow. That's how much gas is shoved around!

*See collected thesis papers of H. Arce.
(Arce & Goodman 2001a,b,c,d).*

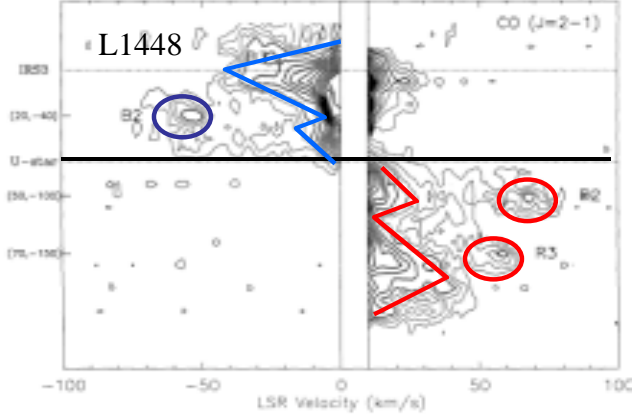


Lada & Fich 1996

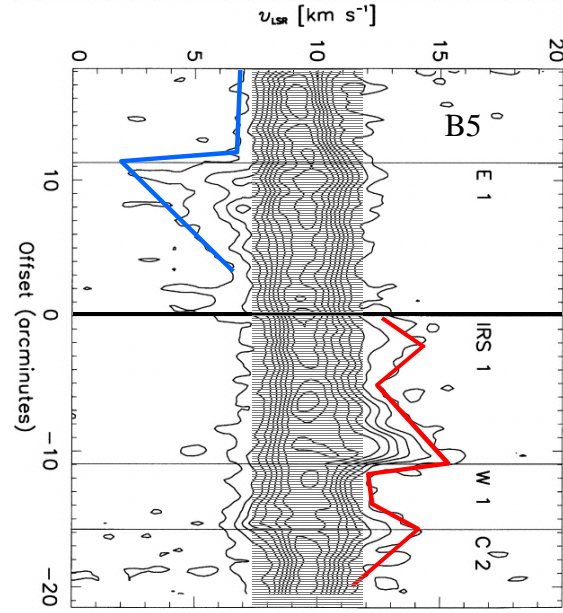
Sample outflow position-velocity diagrams



Bachiller, Tafalla & Cernicharo 1994



Bachiller et al. 1990

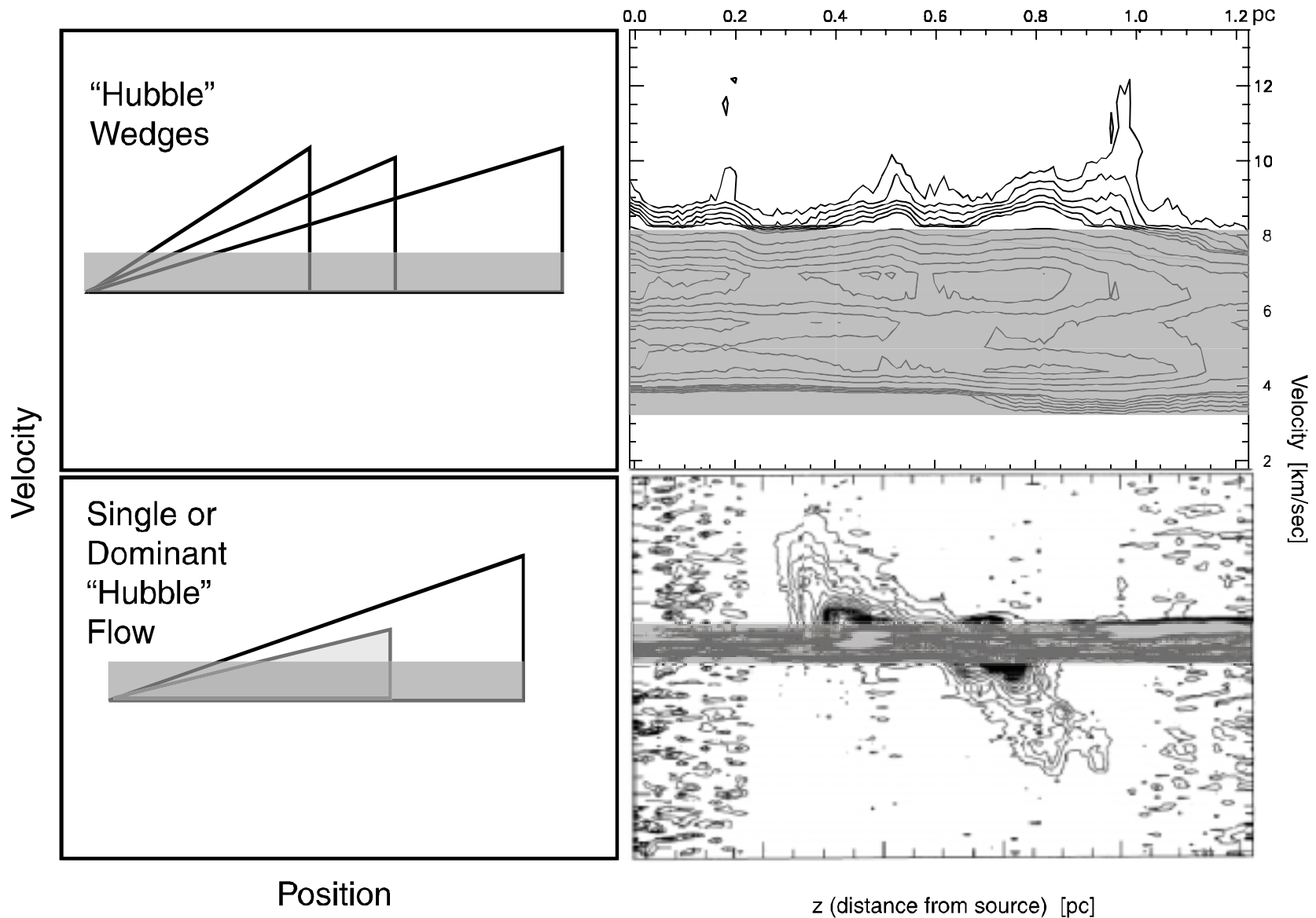


Yu Billawala & Bally 1999

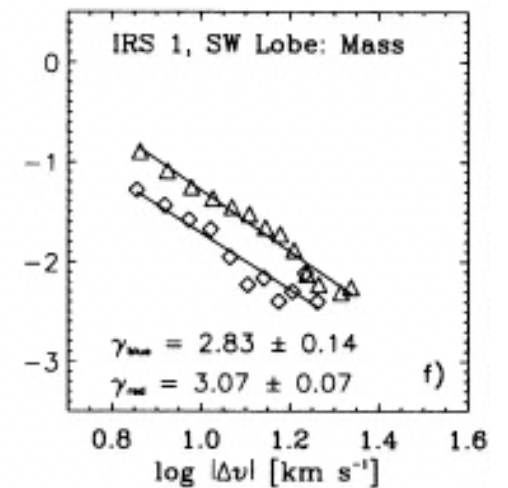
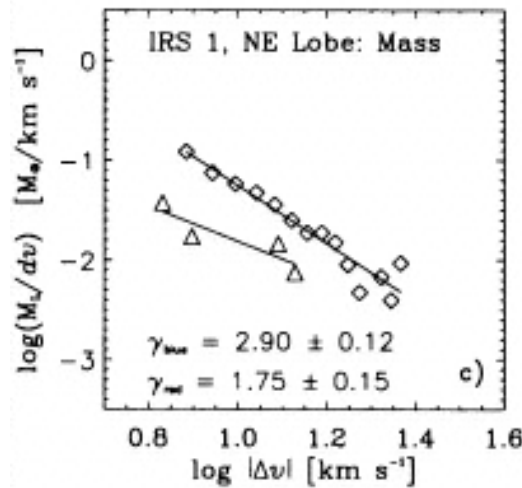
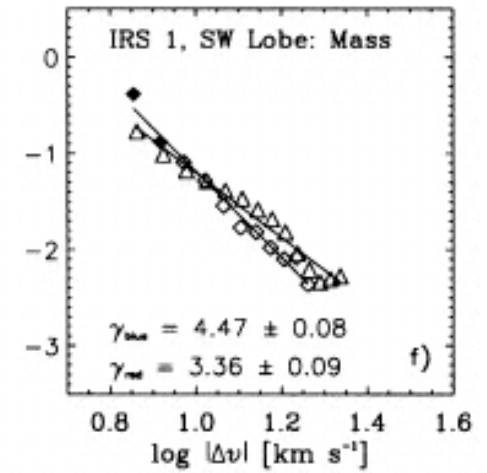
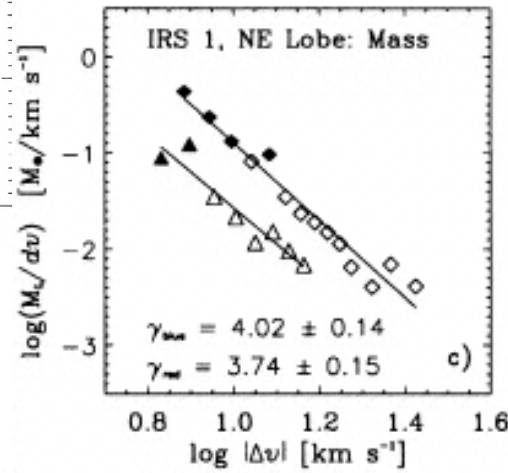
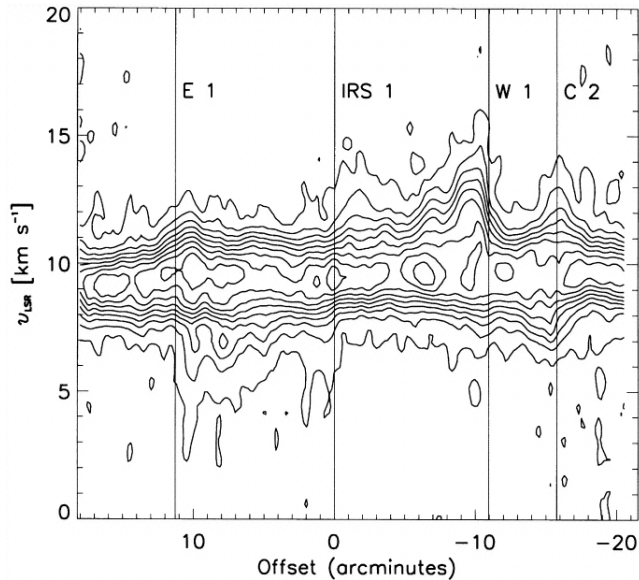
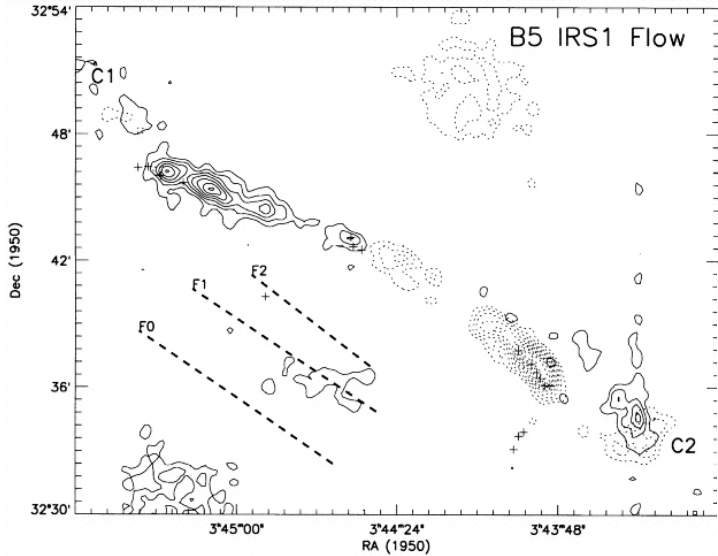
Outflow position-velocity diagrams

Behavior

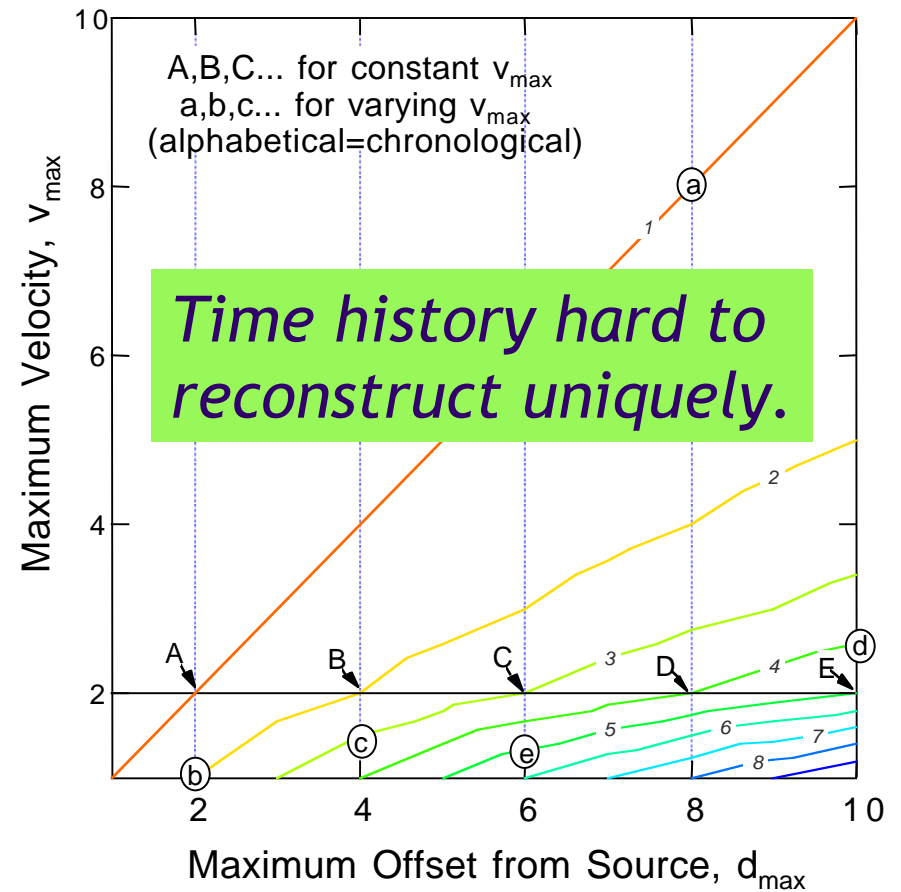
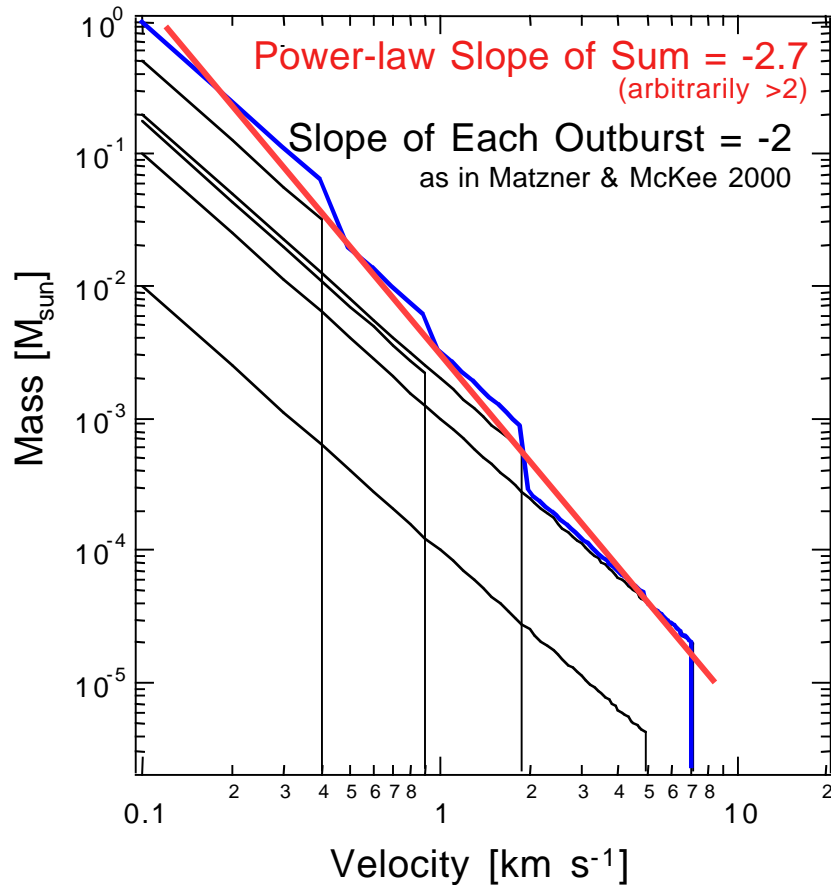
Example



Mass-Velocity Relations can be very **steep**, especially in “bursty-looking” sources...



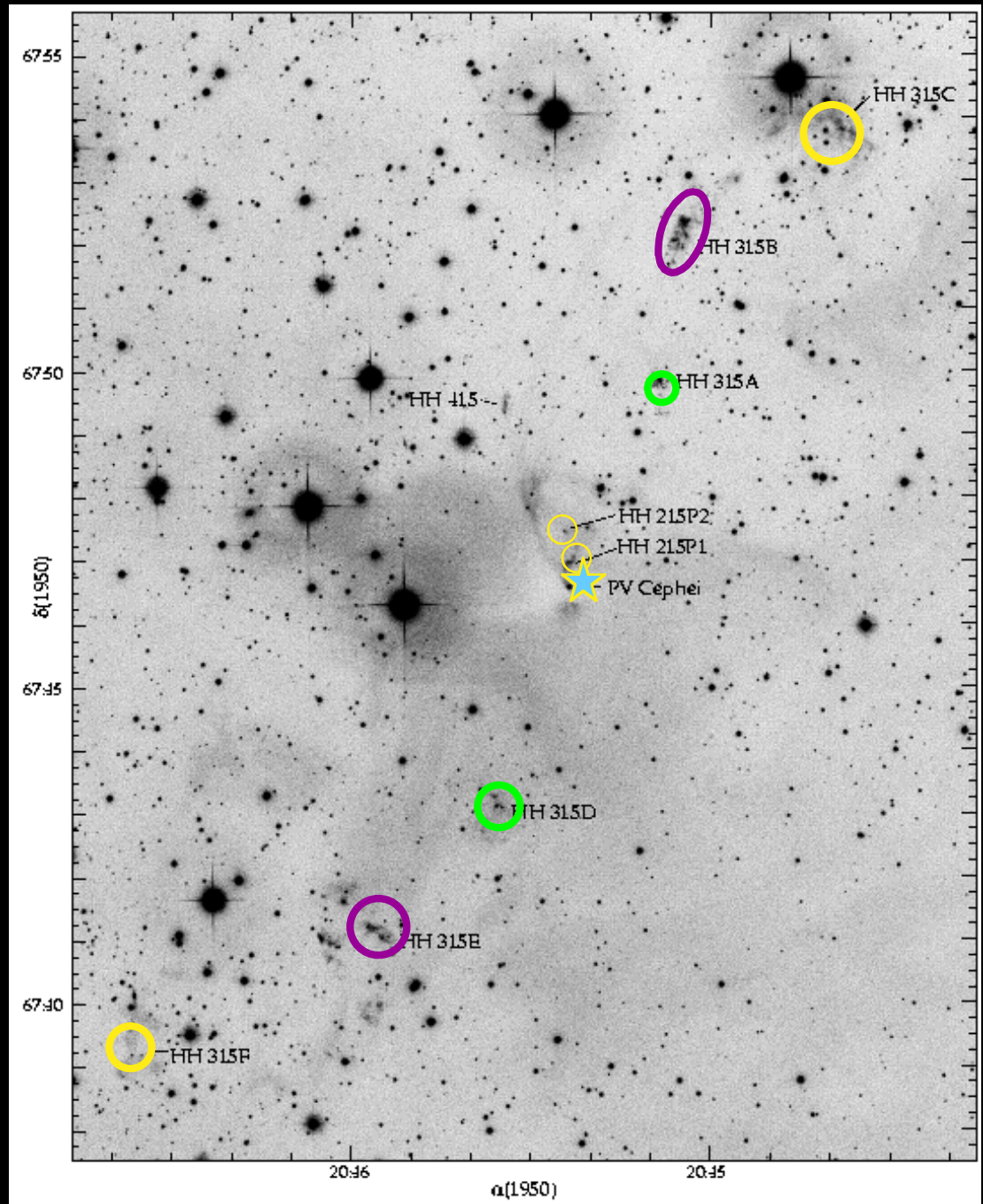
Mass-Velocity Relations in Episodic Outflows: *Steep Slopes result from Summed Bursts*



“Giant” Herbig-Haro Flows: PV Ceph

1 pc

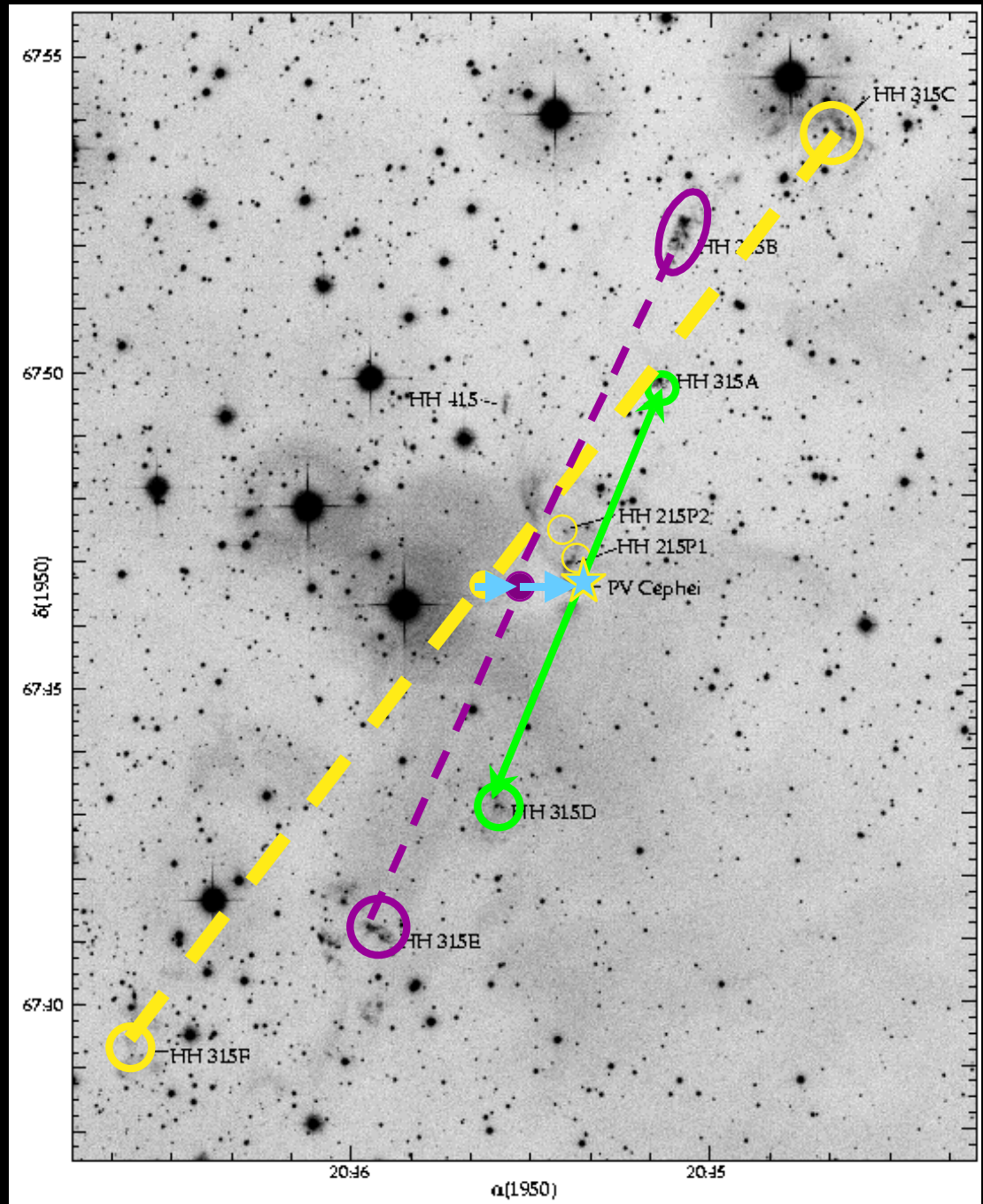
Reipurth, Bally & Devine 1997



A New
Proposal:
Episodic
ejections
from
precessing or
wobbling
moving
source

*Required motion of 0.25 pc
(e.g. 2 km s⁻¹ for 125,000 yr
or 20 km s⁻¹ for 12,500 yr)*

Arce & Goodman 2001



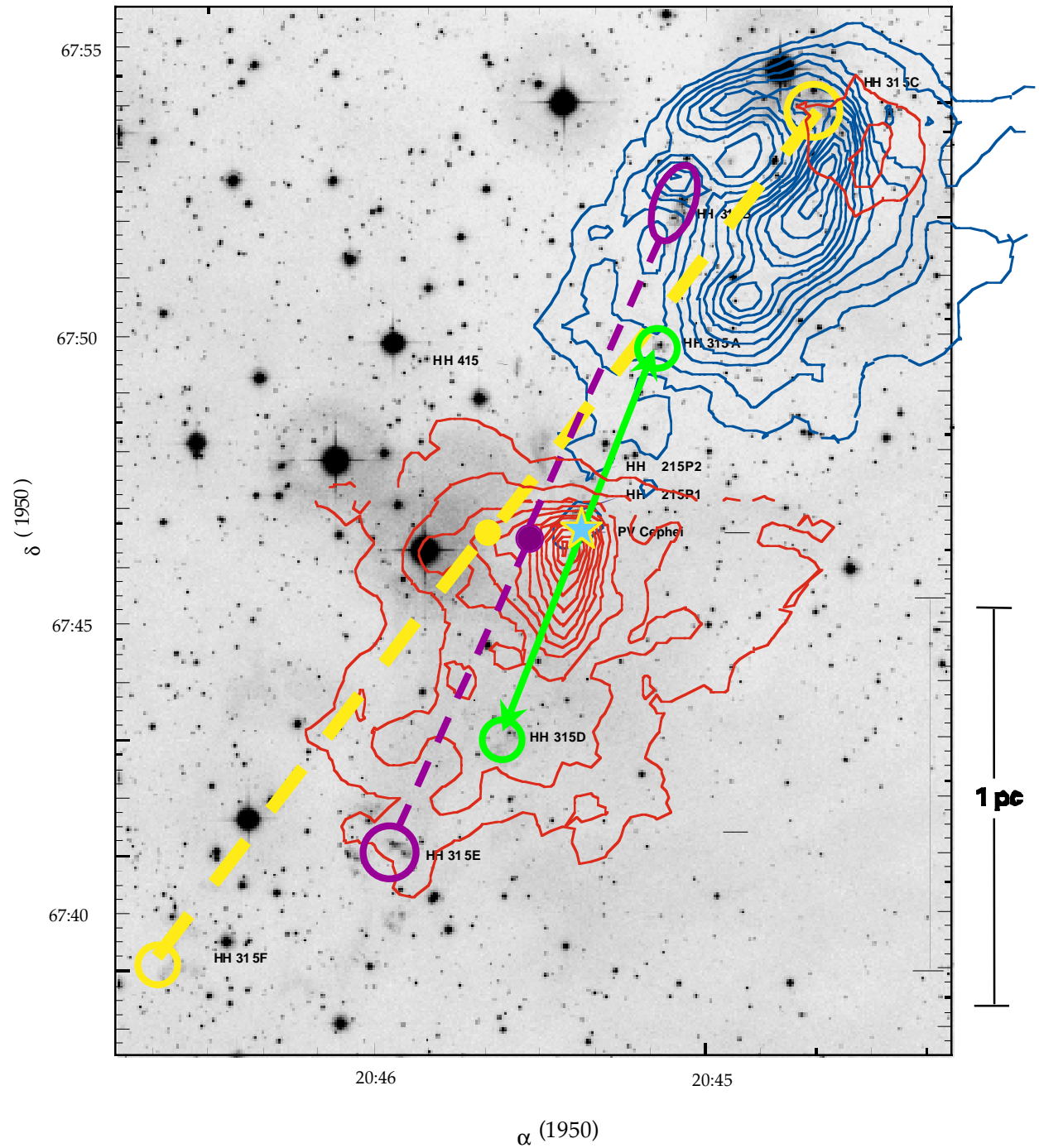
PV Ceph

^{12}CO (2-1) OTF
Map from **NRAO 12-m**

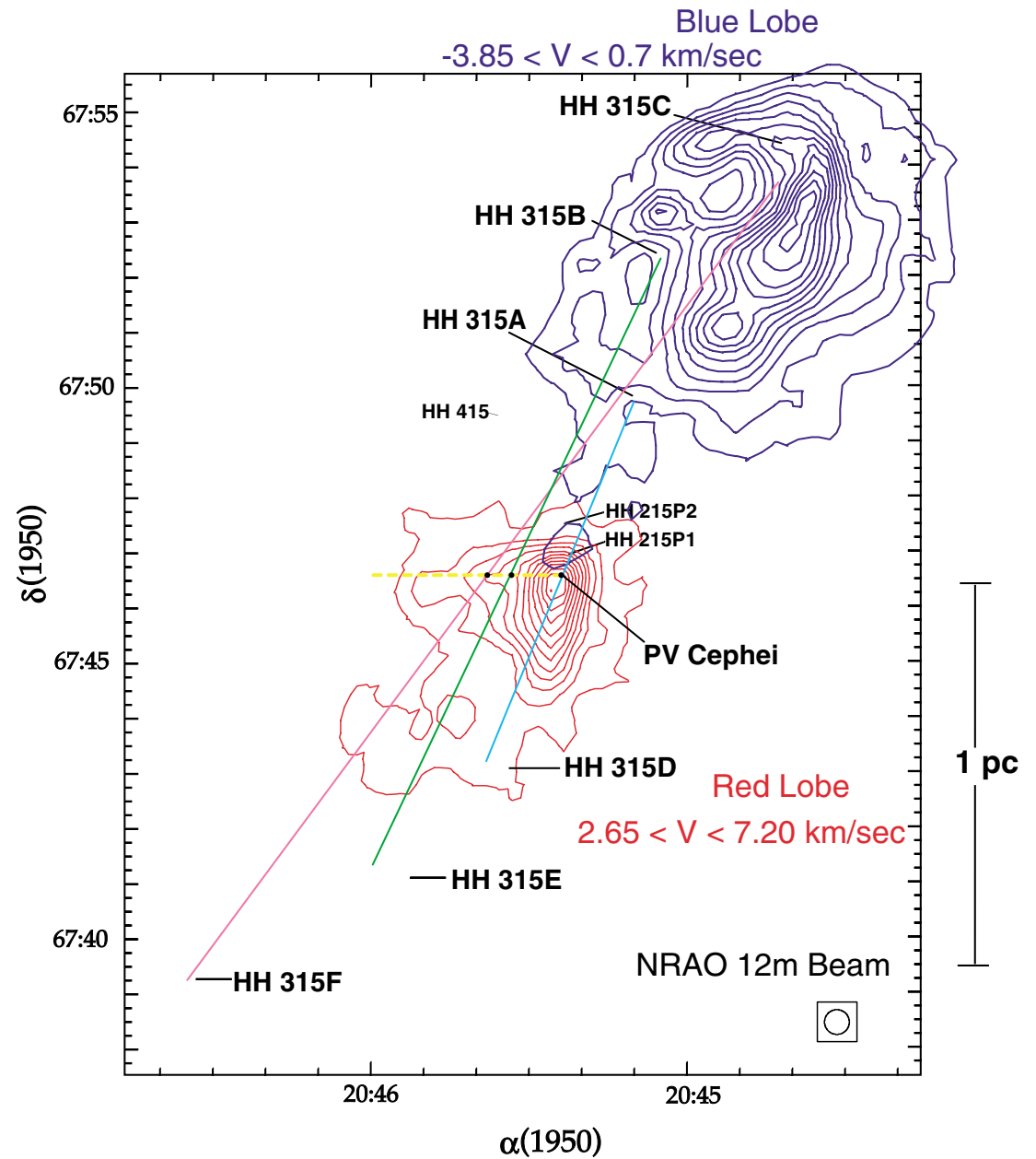
Red: 3.0 to 6.9 km s^{-1}

Blue: -3.5 to 0.4 km s^{-1}

Arce & Goodman 2001



Even
leaves a
trail?



Arce & Goodman 2001

Cloud $V_{\text{LSR}} = 1.68$ km/sec

starting contour= 1.5 K km/sec
contour steps= 1 K km/sec