



Early results of SIGGMA

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SIGGMA: The Survey of Ionized Gas in the Galaxy, Made with the Arecibo telescope

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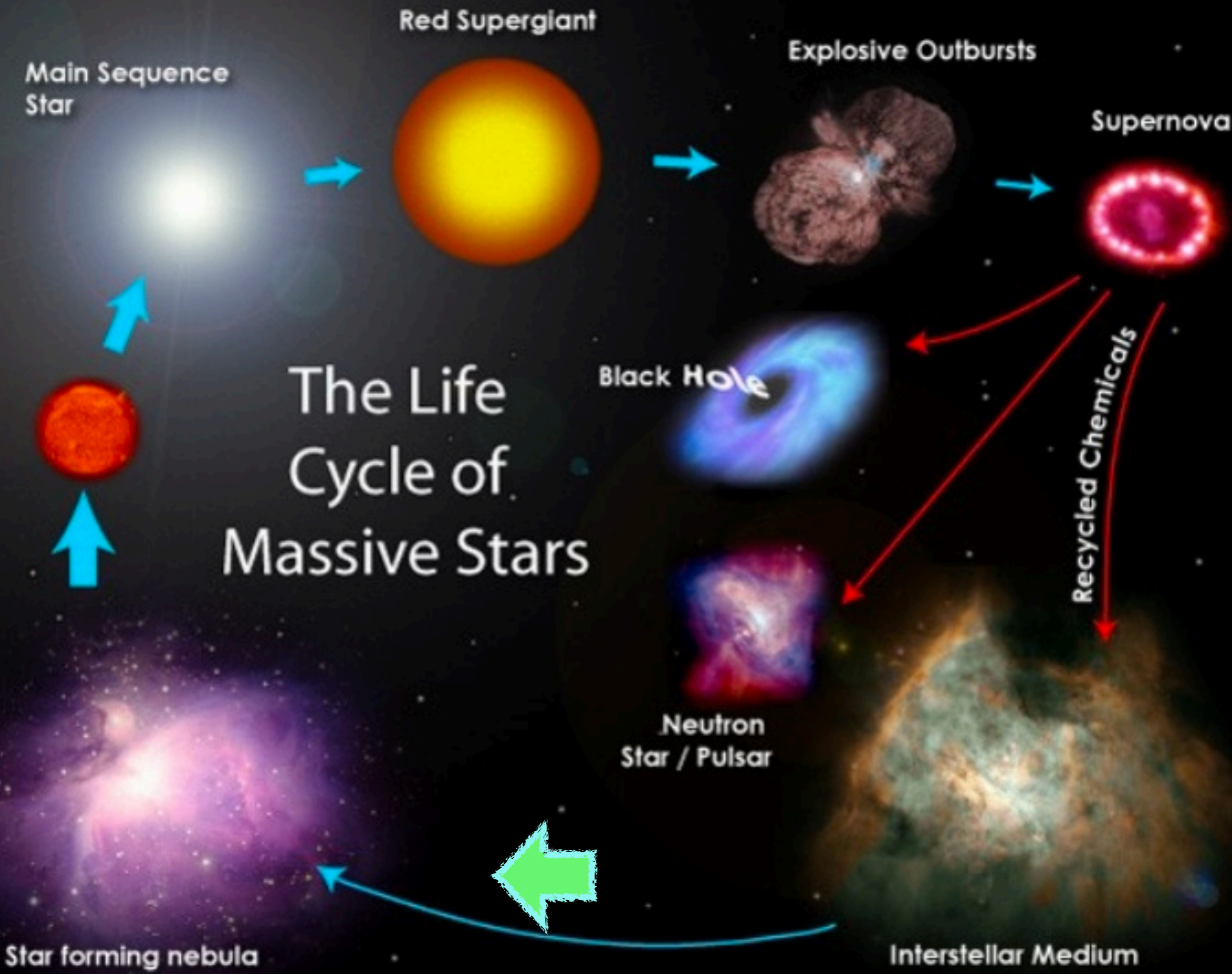
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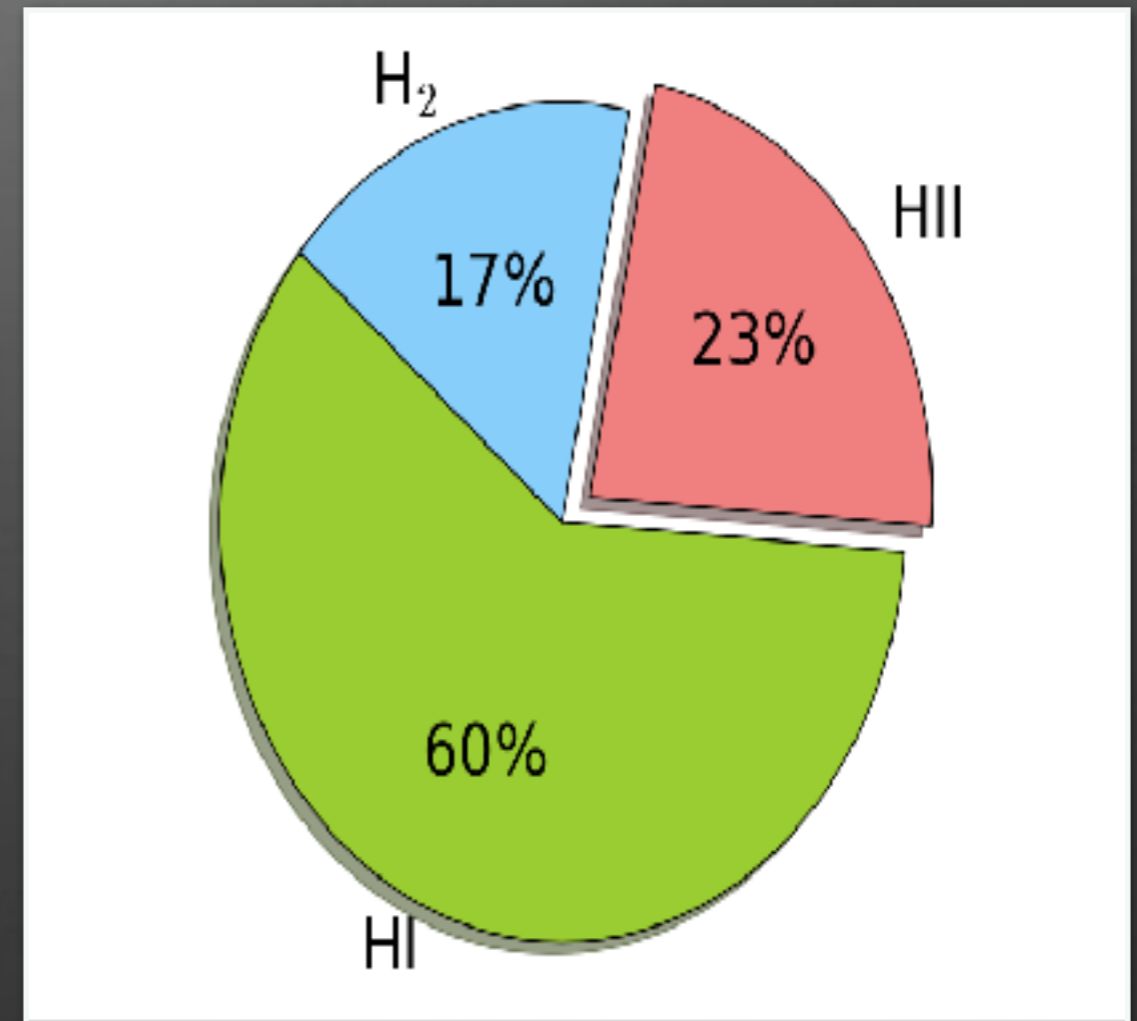
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The Life Cycle of Massive Stars

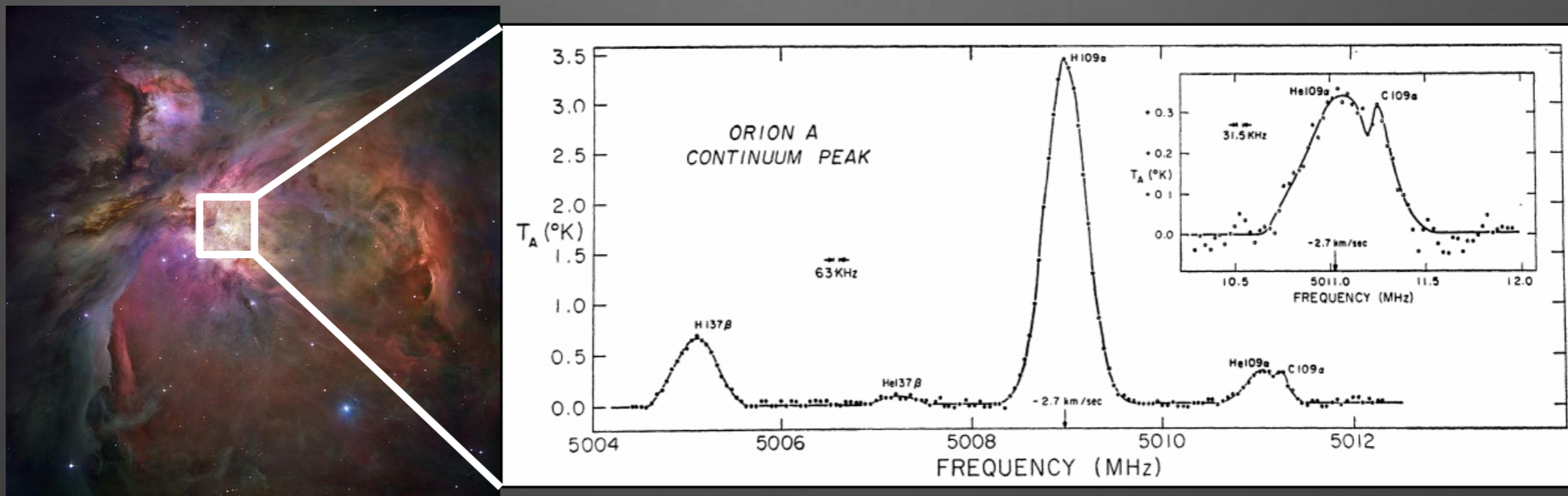


Organization of the Interstellar medium

- **Ionized gas (HII)**
 - HII regions
 - Warm Ionized Medium (WIM)



Tracers of the ionized gas



Radio Recombination Line (RRL)

$$\Delta v_D \frac{T_1}{T_c} = 2.5 \times 10^{-12} (a^{-1}(v, T)) T^{-1.15} v^{2.1} (6 f_{nm} n^{-1}) \left(\frac{N(H^+)}{N(H^+ + He^+)} \right),$$

Motivations

- ★ SIGGMA fully covers the entire Galactic plane observable by Arecibo telescope.
- ★ The aim is to produce the most sensitive RRL survey ever made of the galactic plane.

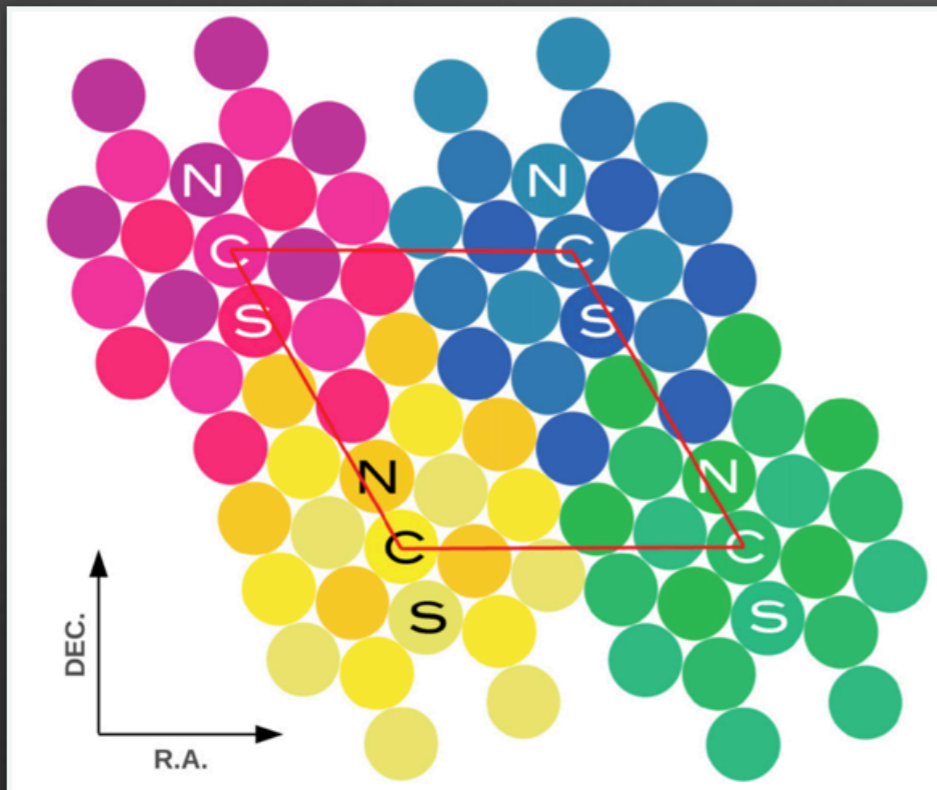
Blind survey for RRL emitting regions:

- Search for new HII regions
- Detect carbon RRL from PDRs
- Other possibilities (WIM, SNR etc.)

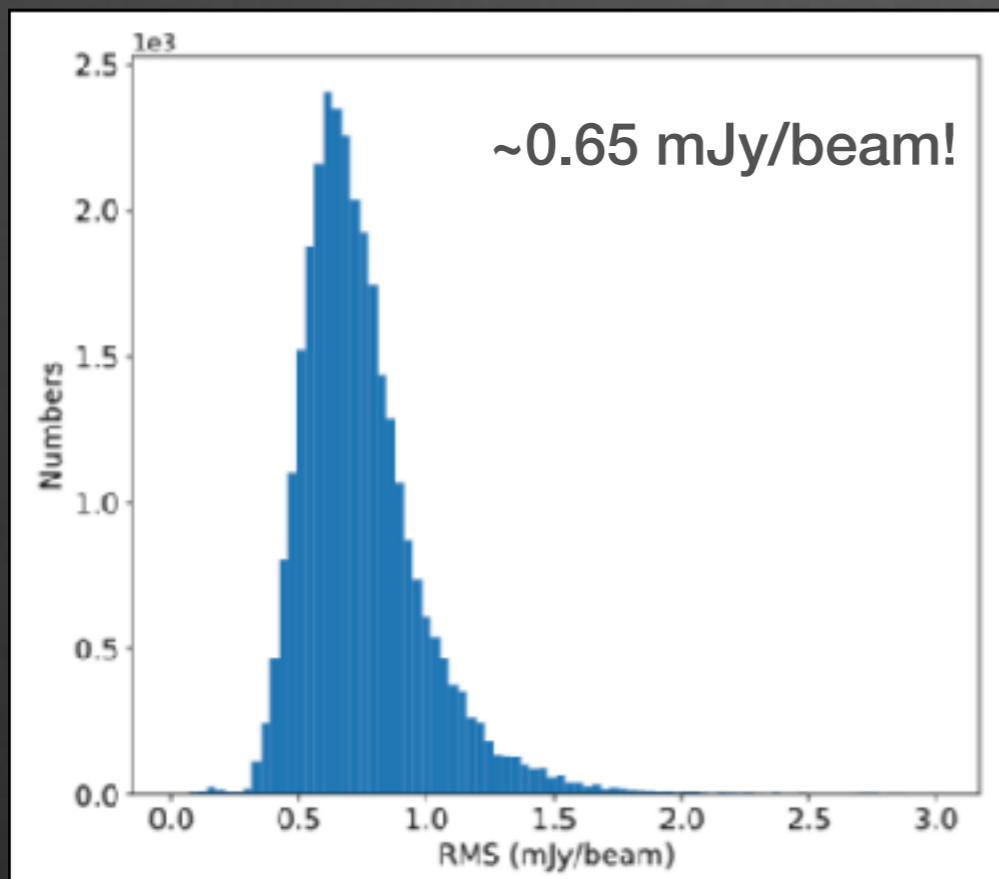
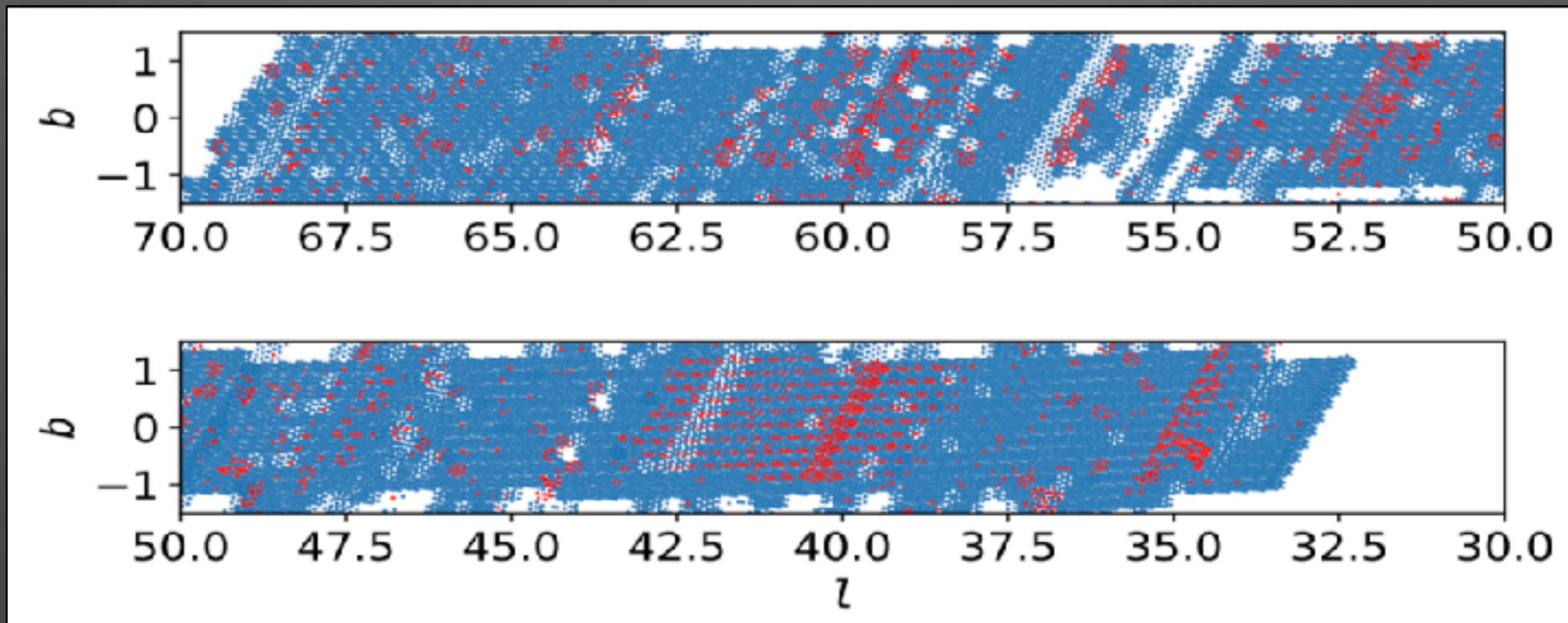


Comensal Survey with PALFA

Observe 12 alpha lines simultaneously
(300 MHz BW total)



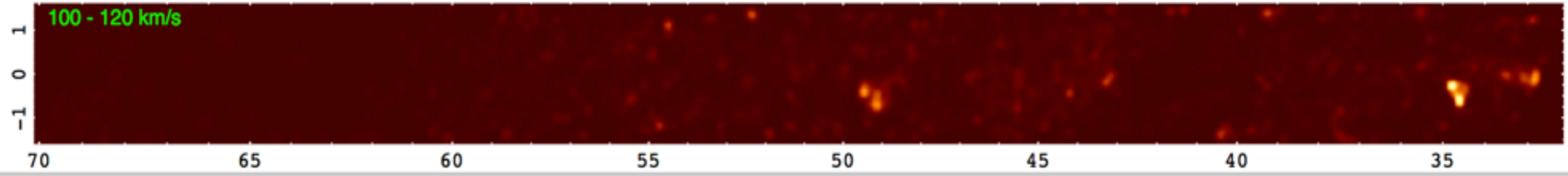
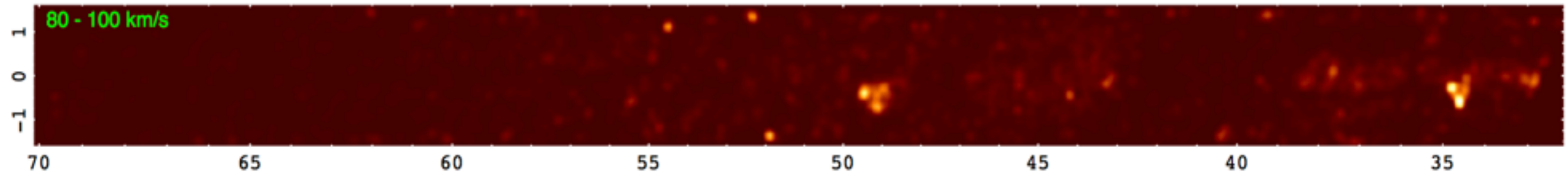
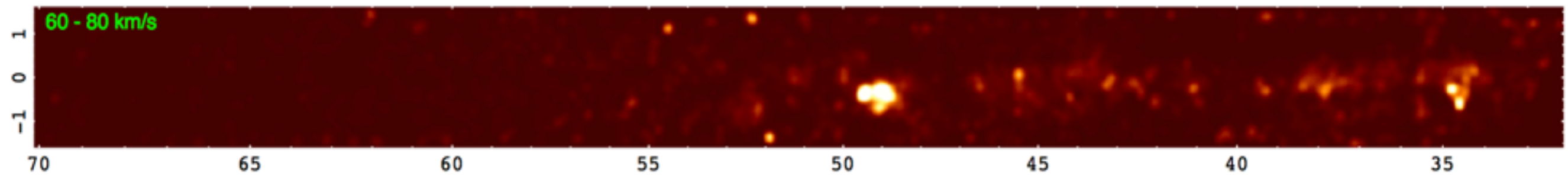
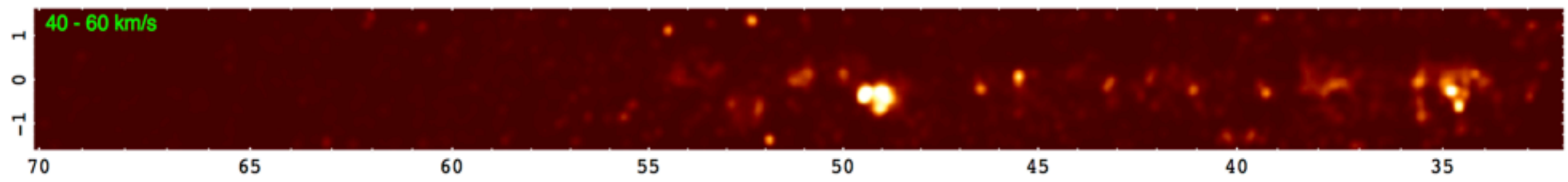
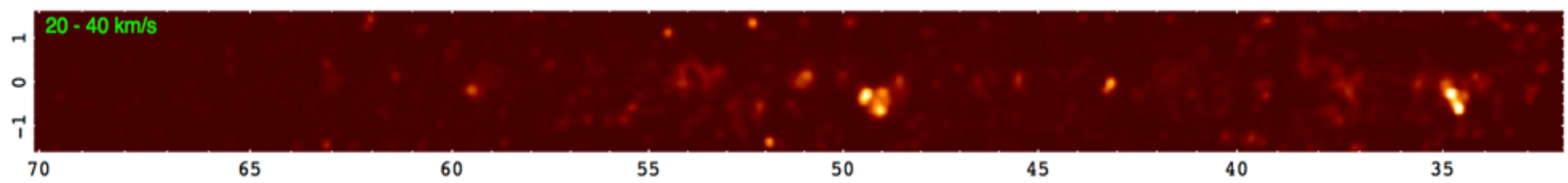
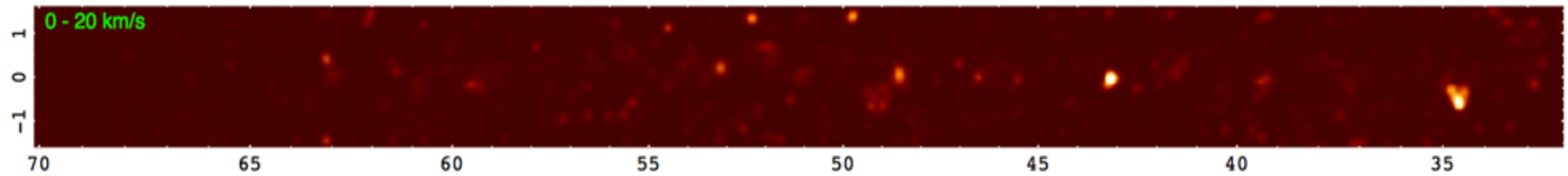
Parameter	Value
l	$32^\circ - 70^\circ$
b	$-1^\circ.5 - +1^\circ.5$
FWHM	$3'.4$
Spectral resolution	4.2 km s^{-1}
Velocity range	$-300 - +300 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
Integration time	270 s
rms noise	$0.65 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$



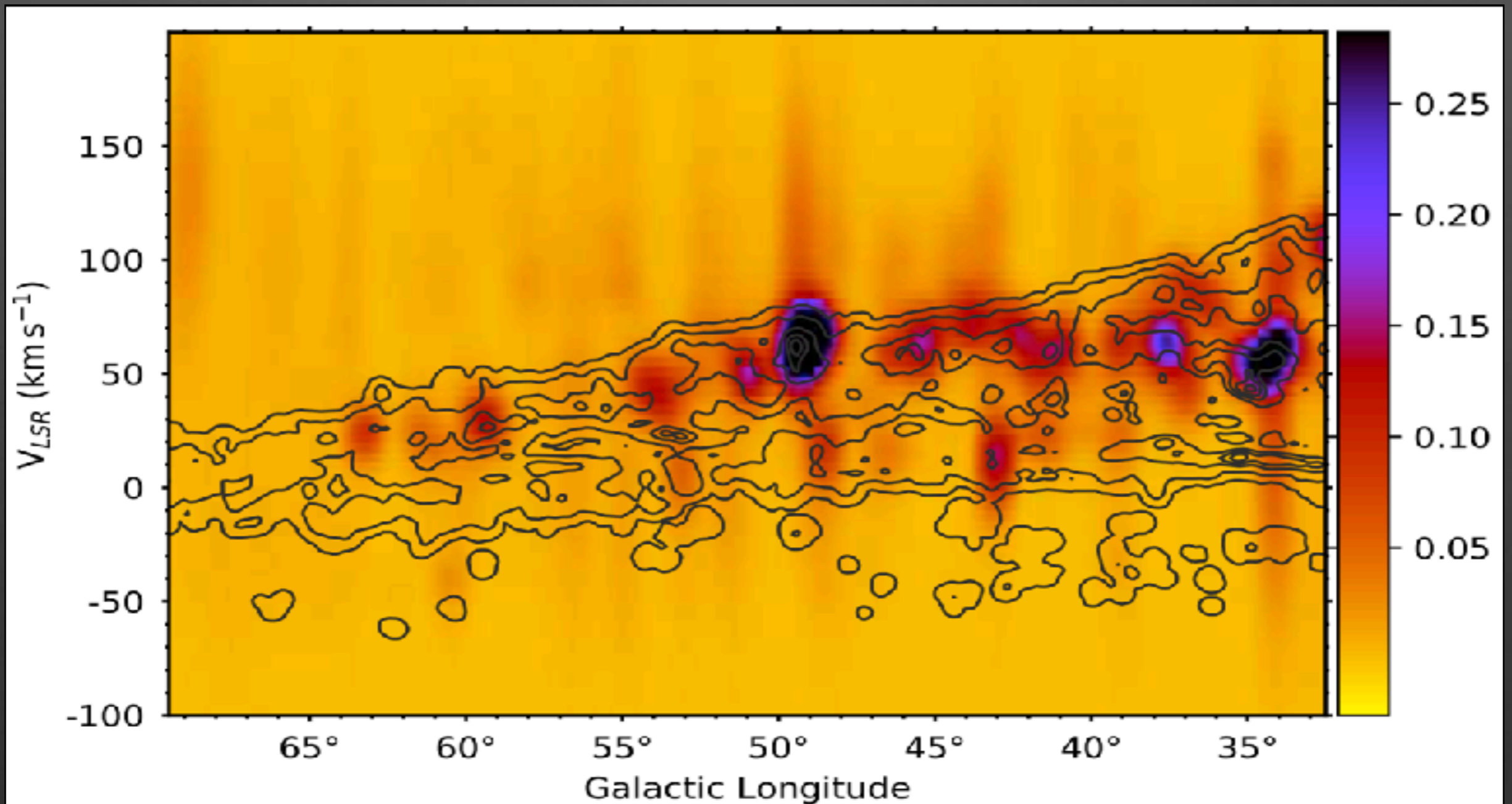
High sensitivity

RFI and baseline problems

Fully sampled (not Nyquist)

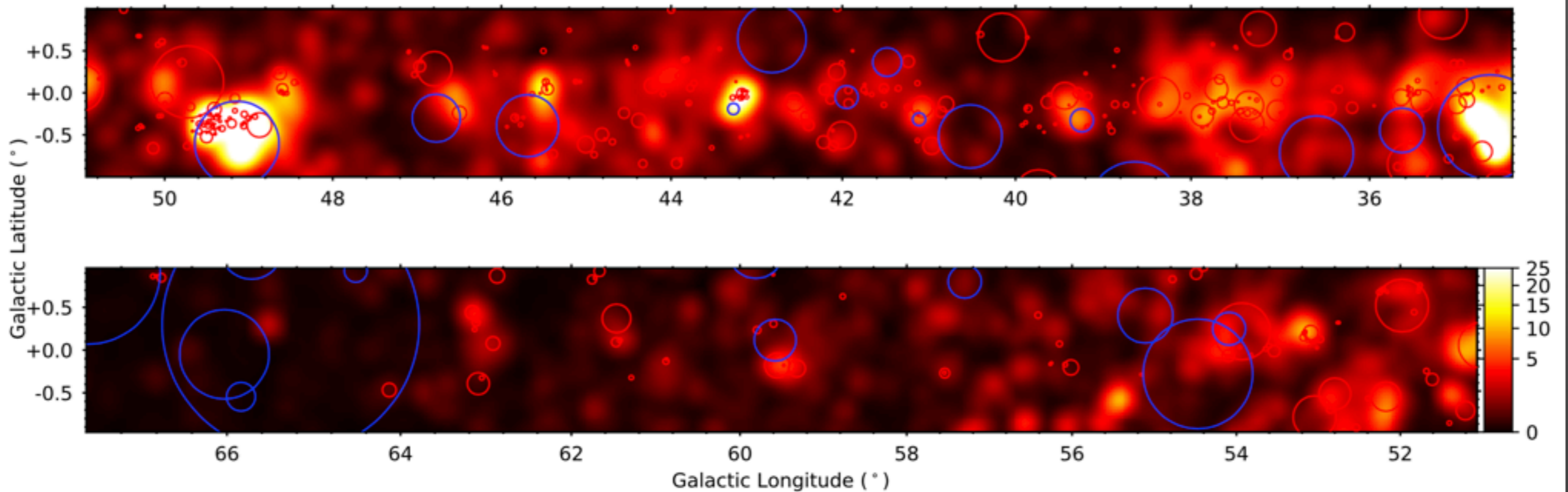


I - v diagram comparing with CO data



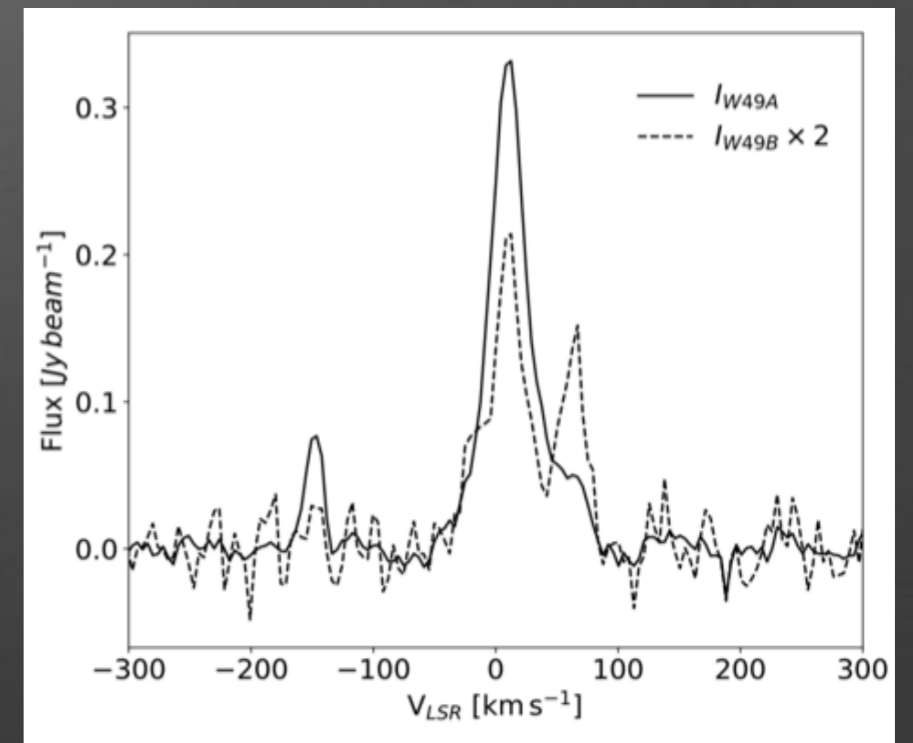
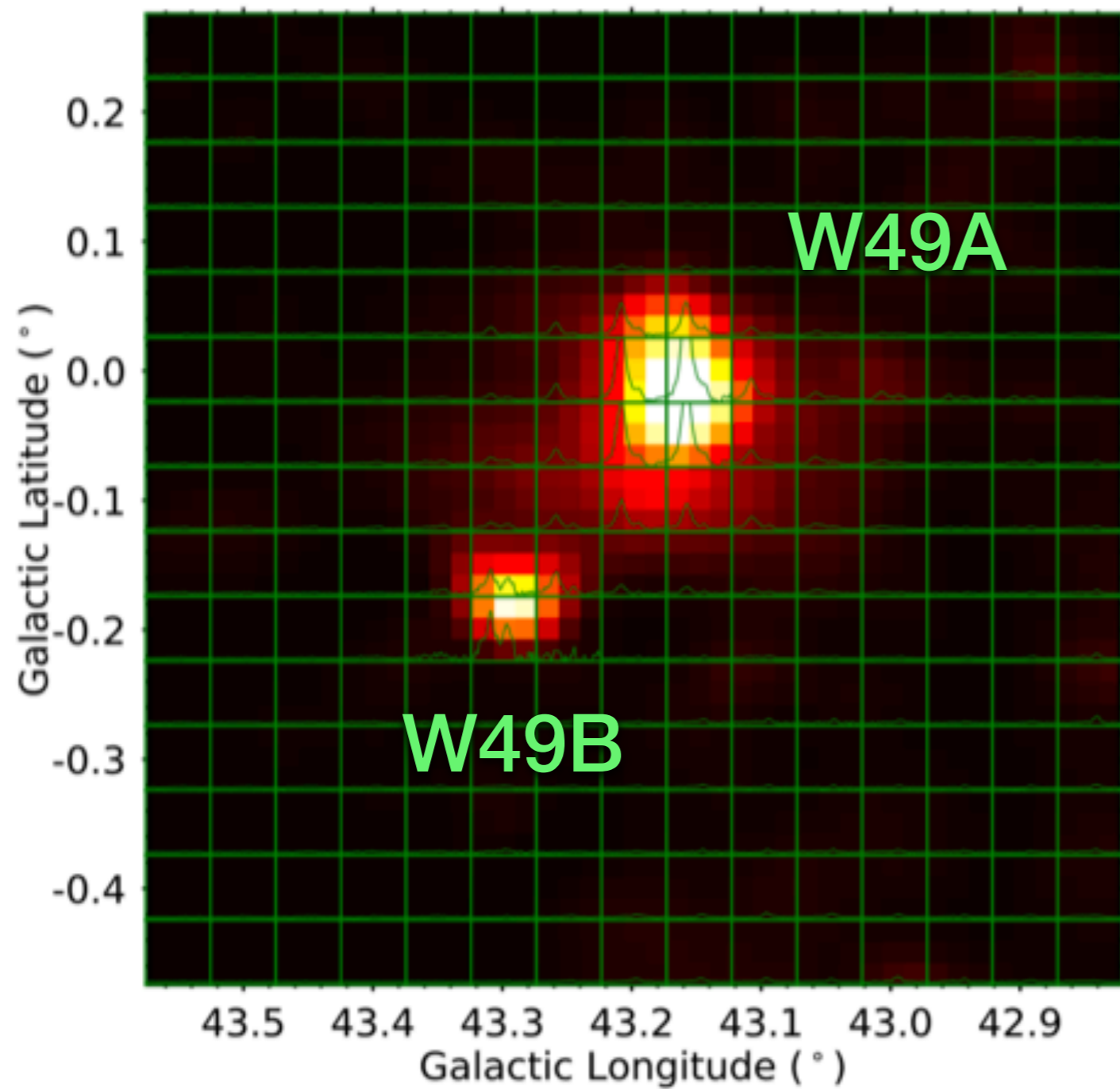
CO contours by Dame et al. 2001

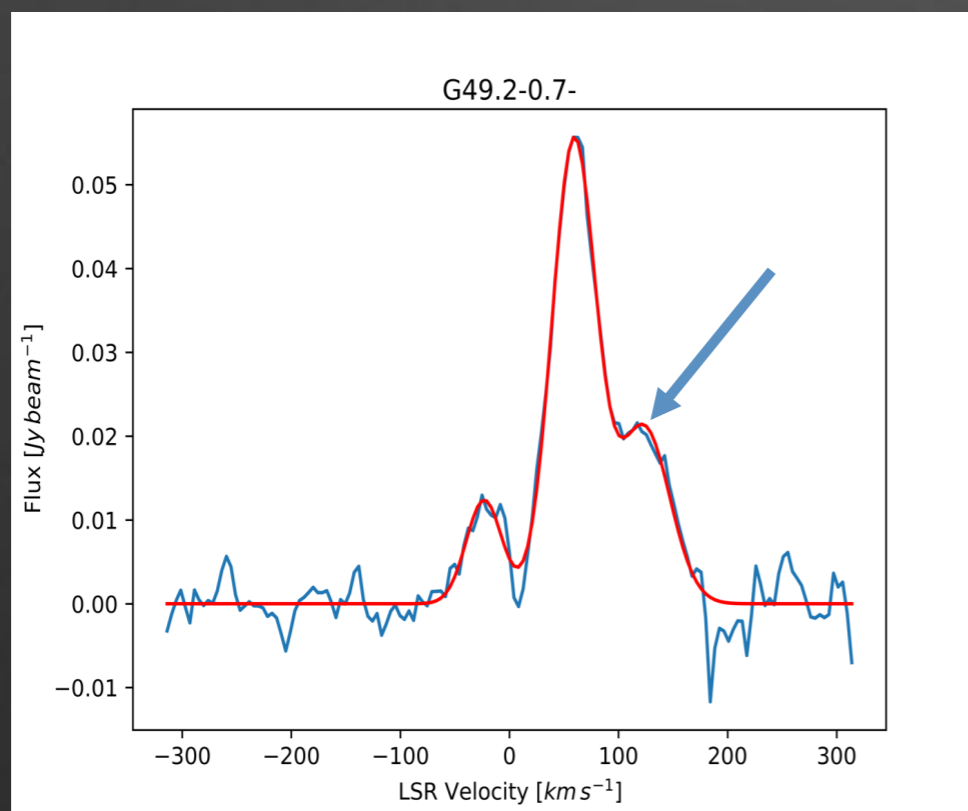
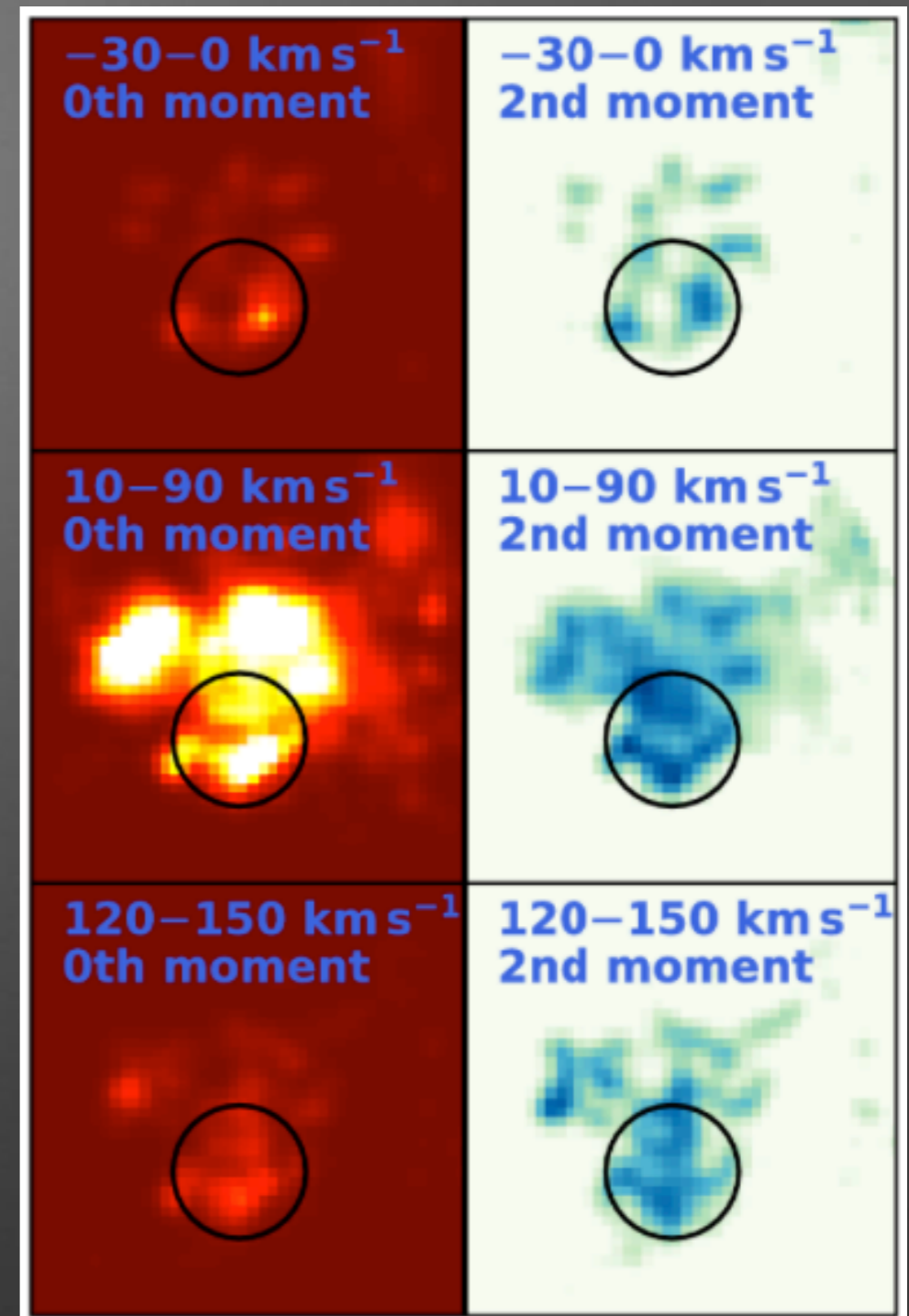
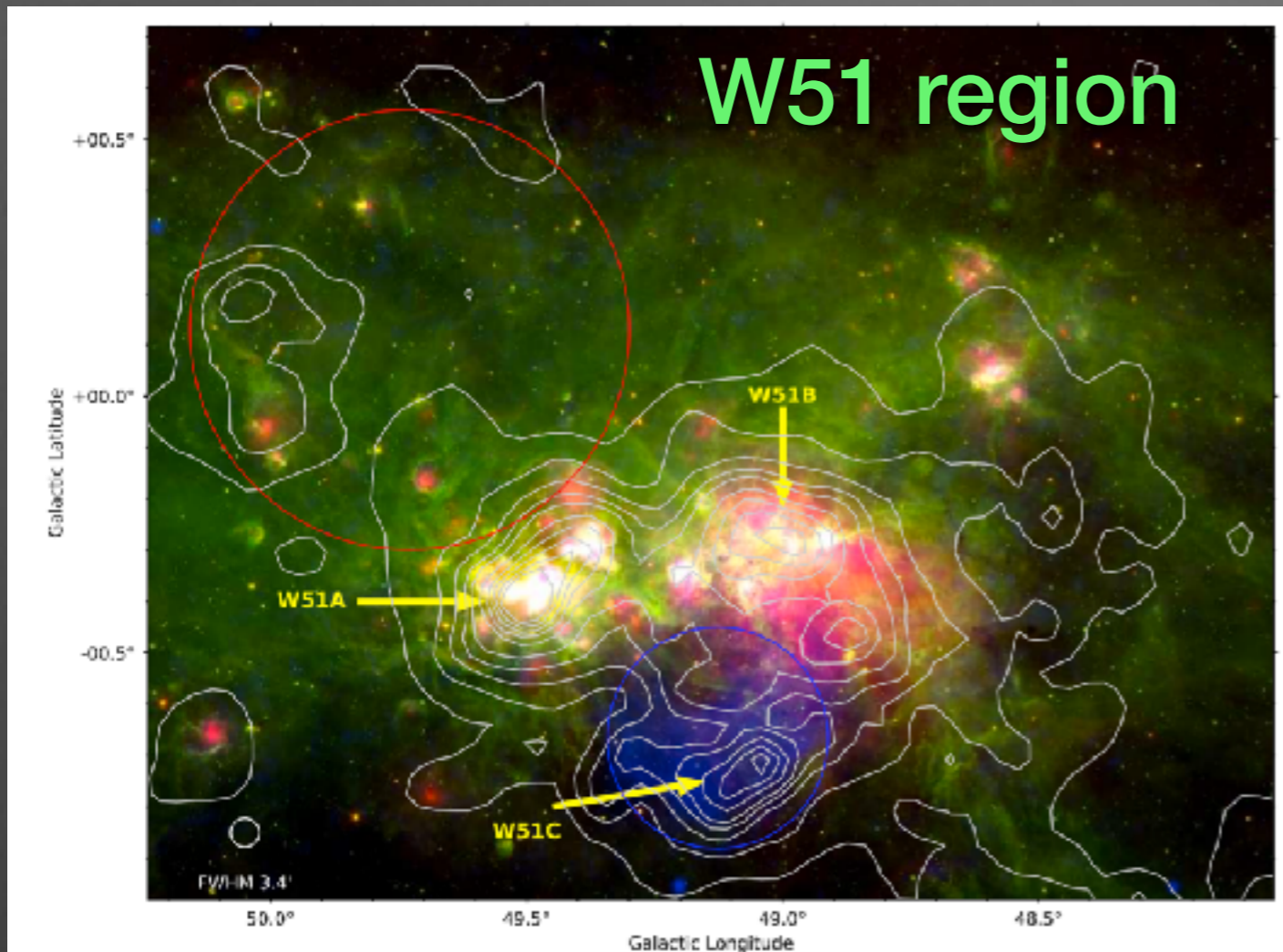
Thermal emission derived from RRL



$$T_C = \frac{(1 + 0.08)}{6985} \cdot a(T_e) \cdot T_e^{1.15} \cdot \nu_{GHz}^{-1.1} \cdot \int T_L dV,$$

W49 region





SNR: W51C

The RRL catalogues of SIGGMA

RRL detections

- 338 known HII regions
- 84 new HII regions
- 11 carbon RRL regions
- 14 detections towards SNRs

SIGGMA data cubes will be accessible online in 2018!

Name	l	b	Peak	V_{LSR}	FWHM	RMS	S/N
	°	°	mJy beam ⁻¹	km s ⁻¹	km s ⁻¹	mJy beam ⁻¹	
G032.800+00.190	32.800	+0.190	9.16 ± 1.01	14.9 ± 1.2	22.1 ± 2.8	1.65	8.9
G032.823+00.072 ^a	32.824	+0.072	30.40 ± 2.89	106.7 ± 1.2	25.3 ± 2.8	2.76	19.0

Name	l	b	Peak	V_{LSR}	FWHM	RMS	S/N
	°	°	mJy beam ⁻¹	km s ⁻¹	km s ⁻¹	mJy beam ⁻¹	
G033.024-00.366	33.025	-0.366	26.15 ± 2.02	50.8 ± 1.2	28.2 ± 3.0	2.61	18.2

Name	l	b	Radius	H II Region	$\int I_{CRRldV}$	C/H ^a	Quality ^b
	deg.	deg.	deg.		Jy km s ⁻¹		
G034.2+0.2	34.24	+0.15	0.05	G034.256+00.136 (NRAO584)	0.07	0.03	B

GName ^a	Other Name	l	b	Radius	V_{LSR}	FWHM	D_N	D_F	D	Quality ^c
		deg.	deg.	deg.	km s ⁻¹	km s ⁻¹	kpc	kpc	kpc	
G33.6+0.1	Kes 79	33.67	+0.03	0.11	106.3	26.1	6.4	7.5	7.1 ^[1]	C
G34.7-0.4	W44	34.67	-0.42	0.32	47.7	114.3	2.9	10.8	2.9 ^[2]	B
G34.7-0.4					49.4	11.6	3.0	10.7		
G34.2-0.0					138.0	80.0	6.8	6.8		
G35.6-0.4		35.60	-0.43	0.13	53.7	23.5	3.2	10.3	3.6 ^[3]	A
G36.6-0.7		36.59	-0.69	0.28	40.6	64.4	2.5	10.8	...	B
G45.5+0.0					57.5	20.2	3.4	9.9		
G49.5-0.4					146.0	71.5	6.7	6.7		
G39.2-0.3	3C 396	39.23	-0.32	0.08	12.8	34.0	0.8	9.2	≤ 11.3 ^[4]	A
G53.6+0.0					61.2	24.5	3.7	9.2		
G40.5-0.5		40.51	-0.51	0.23	45.3	36.1	2.8	9.8	...	C
G41.1-0.3	3C 397	41.12	-0.31	0.05	62.1	24.5	3.8	8.7	10.3 ^[5]	A
G41.5+0.4		41.46	+0.39	0.12	19.2	18.2	1.3	11.2	10.3 ^[6]	A
G43.3-0.2	W49B	43.27	-0.19	0.07	9.1	42.5	0.6	11.5	7.5 ^[1] , 10 ^[7]	A
G63.1+0.4					62.7	24.7	4.1	8.0		
G45.7-0.4		45.56	-0.35	0.21	65.1	18.6	4.8	6.8	...	B
G45.7-0.4					86.5	100.4	5.8	5.8		
G46.8-0.3	HC 30	46.77	-0.27	0.16	60.2	25.3	4.4	7.0	6.4 ^[1]	C
G49.2-0.7	W51C	49.14	-0.61	0.22	62.3	41.2	5.4	5.4	6 ^[1]	A
G49.2-0.7					122.8	51.8	5.4	5.4		
G54.4-0.3	HC 40	54.47	-0.29	0.38	43.6	15.5	4.1	5.6	3.3 ^[1] , 6.6 ^[8]	B
G57.2+0.8	4C21.53	57.24	+0.82	0.10	106.1	39.8	4.5	4.5	...	B

(Liu et al. 2018, submitted)