



# Observations future perspectives

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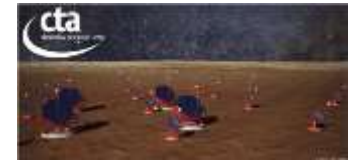
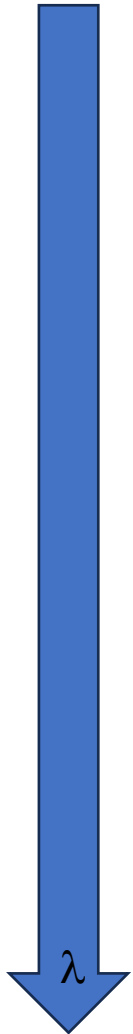
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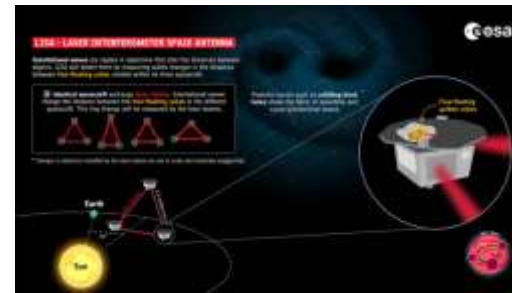
# Future capabilities

- Planned ground based telescopes :
  - CTA Cerenkov Telescope Array (gamma ray facility with broad energy sensitivity : 1 GeV – 300 TeV)  
2 sites Canary islands + ESO-Chile
  - ESO ELT (Extremely Large Telescope)
  - TMT (Thirty Meter Telescope) and GMT (Giant Magellan Telescope)
  - Vera C. Rubin Observatory (for Fast sky survey)
  - ALMA 2030 upgrade (30 – 900 GHz)
  - ngVLA (Next Generation Very Large Array) Arizona 1.2 – 50.5 GHz & 70 – 116 GHz
  - SKA (Square Kilometer Array) 2 sites Australia (SKA-LOW) & South Africa (SKA-MID) (0.05 – 15 GHz)
  - MeerKAT (South Africa) (0.58 – 3.5 GHz)
  - LOFAR (Low Frequency Array, NL & Europe) (0.01 - 0.3 GHz)
  - NenUFAR (France) (0.01 – 0.085 GHz)



# Future capabilities In space

- Solar system exploration : Jupiter system, Venus, ...
- Toward sample return missions : asteroids, Mars ? Moon ?
- Nancy Grace Roman Telescope (NASA). Wide field Camera (300 Mpx, 0.48 – 2.3  $\mu\text{m}$ ) + low res spectroscopy ( $R \sim 200$ ) + coronagraph
- NewAthena for X rays (0.2 – 12 keV, 2 instruments for imaging & spectroscopy down to 3.5eV resolution, FoV 40' 9" resolution)
- LISA (Laser Interferometry Space Antenna) for Gravitational waves
- Far infrared mission ? Under discussion



# Future capabilities : instruments

New telescopes

→ Improving the instrument concepts and performances

→ Improving the access to data : archives

→ High data flow , new data processing methods

- Some capabilities

- Extreme Adaptive optics

- Multi Object/integral field spectroscopy

- Time monitoring

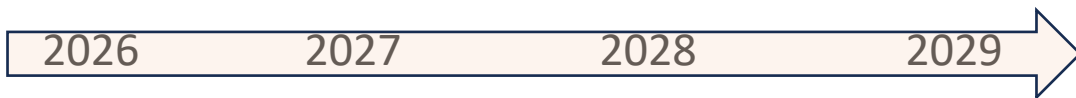
- Polarization of dust continuum and line emission for magnetic field information

- Interferometry : longer baselines, high uv plane coverage, dual frequency operations ...

- Heterodyne cameras : toward large field of view spectral images

# ESO future plans

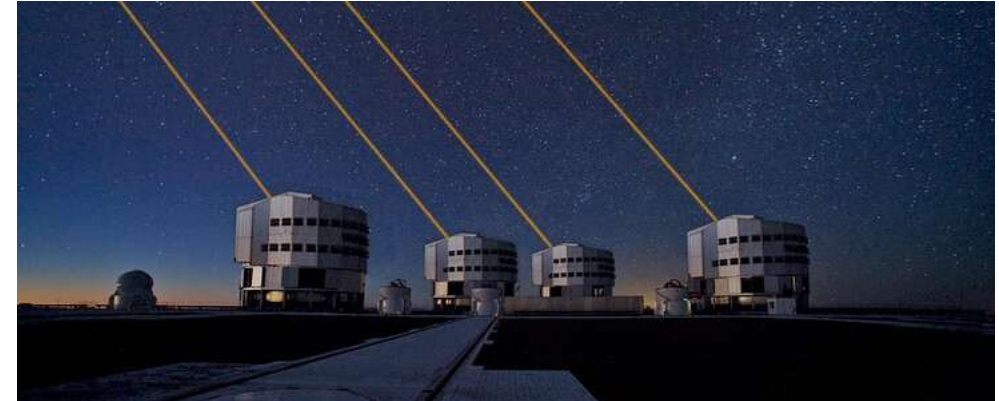
- VLT spectrometers
  - UV spectra with CUBES (local to high  $z$ )
  - Infrared spectroscopy MOONS, CRIFRES+
- VLTI upgrade
  - GRAVITY+ (IR interferometry with Adaptive optics) 3.5mas, R = 22, 500, 4500
- ELT (<https://elt.eso.org/instrument/>)
  - HARMONI, MICADO, METIS, ... , ANDES & MOSAIC



Dome &  
Structure

Mirrors

1<sup>st</sup> light &  
Science Verification



# ELT first light instruments

(<https://elt.eso.org/instrument/>)

- HARMONI (High Angular Resolution Monolithic Optical and Near-infrared Integral field spectrometer)

Wavelength	0.47 – 2.45 $\mu\text{m}$
Spectral resolution	~3,500, 7,500, and 18,000 in the NIR and ~3,500 in the VIS bands
Simultaneous spectral range	at least one band at a time R-7,500 (I, z, J, H, K), two at R-3,500
Field(s)-of-view	four, corresponding to different spaxel scales
AO	LTAO and SCAO

- MICADO (Multi-AO Imaging Camera for Deep Observations)

Wavelength	0.8–2.4 $\mu\text{m}$
Field-of-view	50.5" x 50.5" (4 mas pixels); 18" x 18" (1.5 mas pixels)
Filters	IYJHK broad band + medium and narrow band filters
Relative astrometry	50 $\mu\text{as}$ (10 $\mu\text{as}$ goal)
Contrast requirement	$1 \times 10^{-4}$ at 100 mas; $1 \times 10^{-5}$ at 500 mas
Spectral resolution	< 20,000
Simultaneous spectral range	1.45–2.46 $\mu\text{m}$ ; 0.84–1.48 $\mu\text{m}$
Slit width	16 mas
Slit length	3 arcsec

# ELT first light instruments

- MORFEO (Multi-conjugate adaptive Optics Relay For ELT Observations)
- METIS (Mid-Infrared ELT Imager and Spectrograph)

Wavelength coverage	3 – 13 $\mu\text{m}$ (imaging); the imager includes low-resolution slit spectroscopy and coronagraphy 3 – 5 $\mu\text{m}$ IFU spectroscopy
Spectral resolution	Low-resolution, long-slit R~400 (N-band), R~1500 (L-band), R~1900 (M-band) High-resolution, IFU R~100,000 (L,M bands)
Field-of-view	~10" (imager), <1" (high resolution IFU spectroscopy)
AO	all observing modes work at the diffraction limit with a single conjugate AO system

A complete set of imaging and spectroscopy

# ALMA-2030 : Wide band Sensitivity Upgrade)

Broader instantaneous frequency coverage

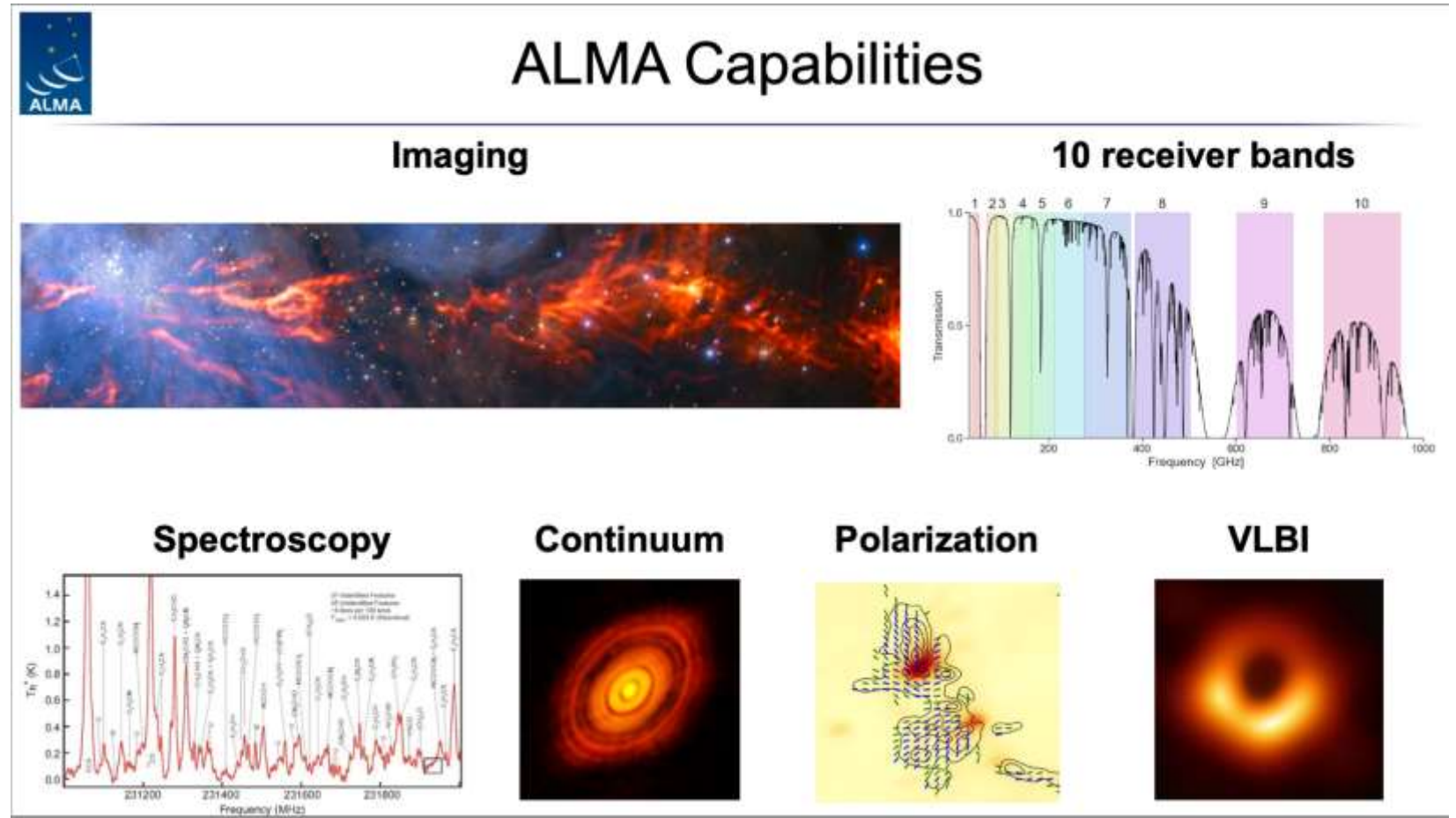
- Broader bands (x2 to 8 GHz up to x4 at 16 GHz)
- Increased sensitivity & flexibility

ALMA Memo 621 and arXiv 2211.00195

Continuous Operations combined with step by step upgrades

Slides from J. Carpenter(ALMA at 10yrs conference)  
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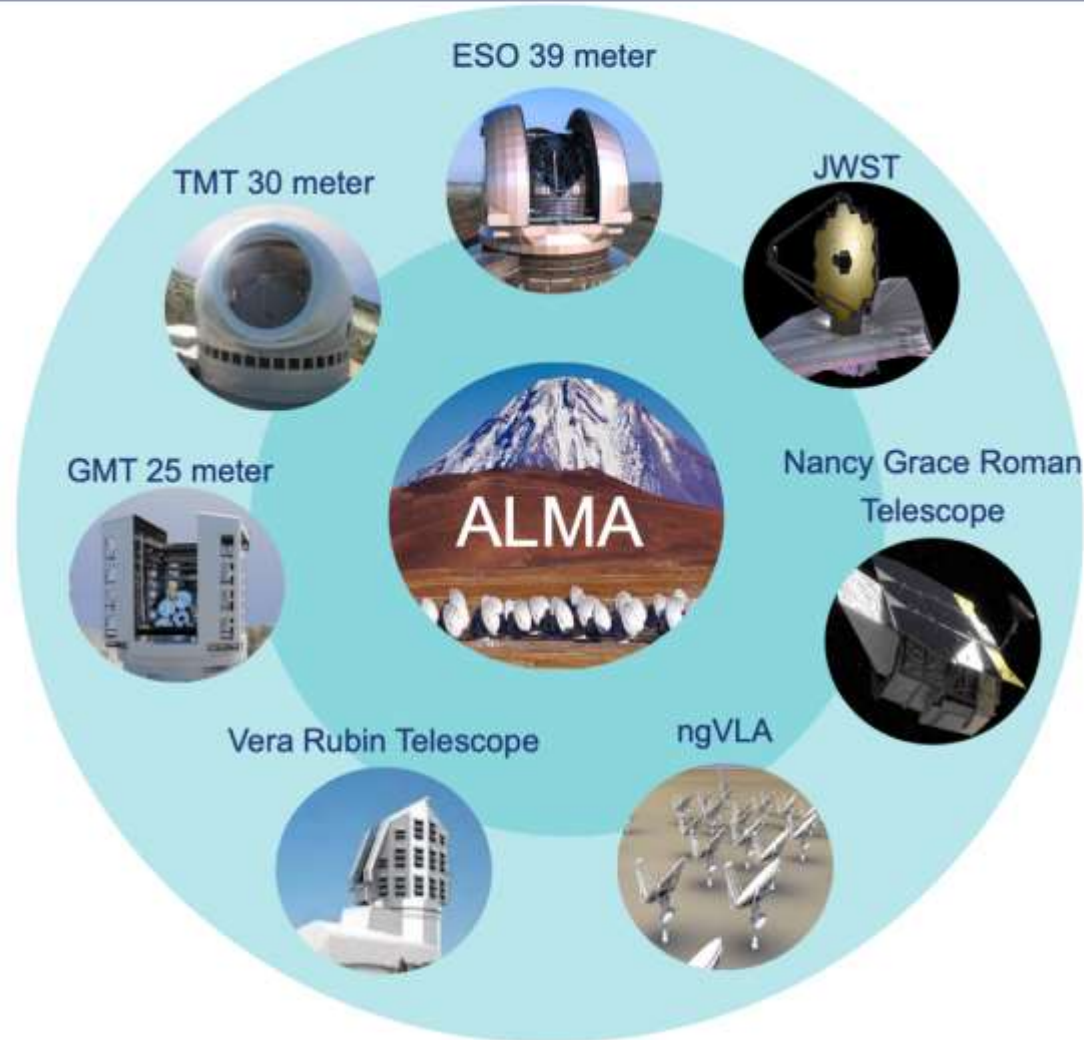
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# New facilities in the next decade



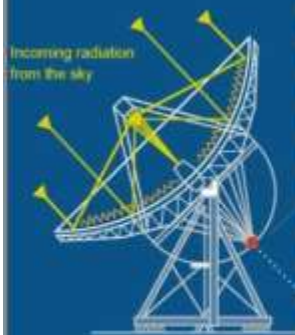


## Wideband Sensitivity Upgrade (WSU): Top Priority of the ALMA2030 Roadmap

- Upgrade of the bandwidth and throughput of the ALMA system
  - upgraded receivers with increased bandwidth and improved receiver temperatures
  - more powerful correlator
  - increased data reduction capacity

Upgrade!

Antennas → Receivers → Back end → Correlator → Data processing → Archives → Astronomers

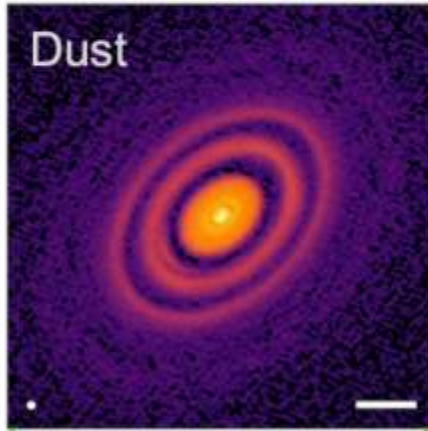


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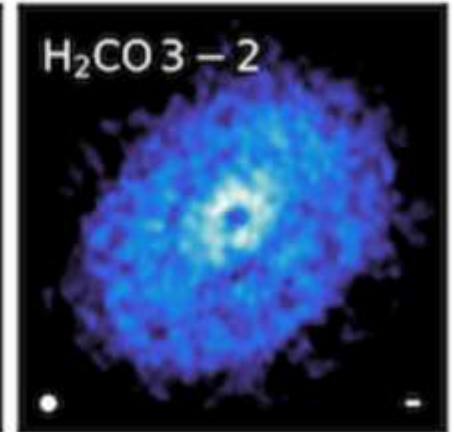
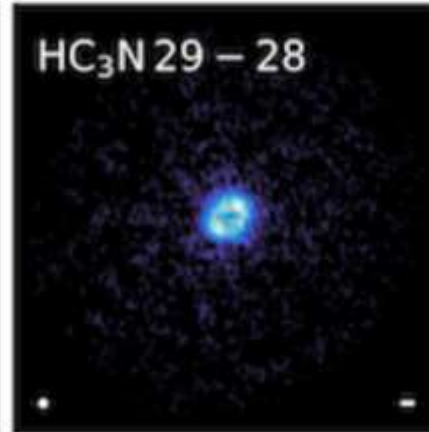
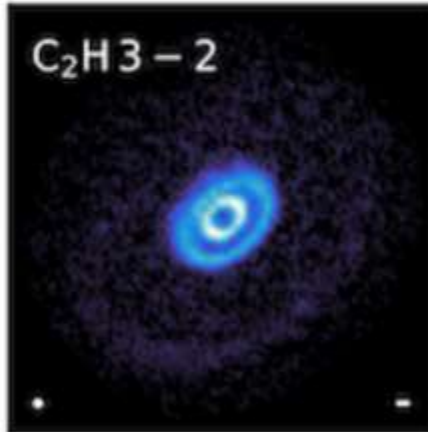
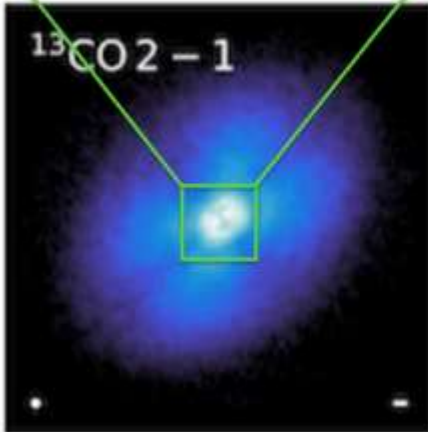


# The power of molecular spectroscopy in disks

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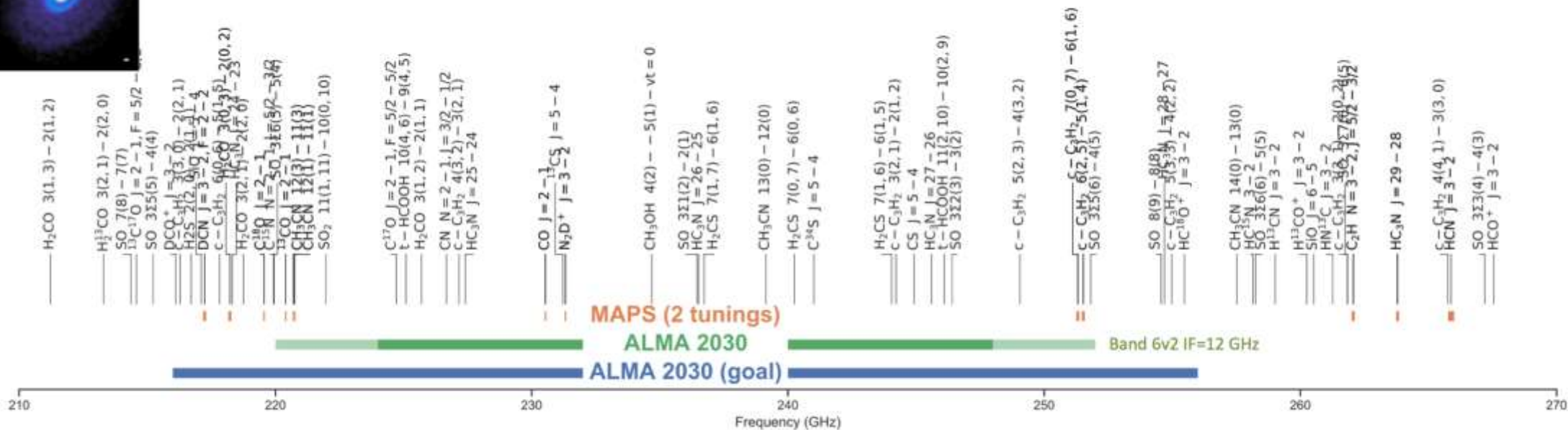
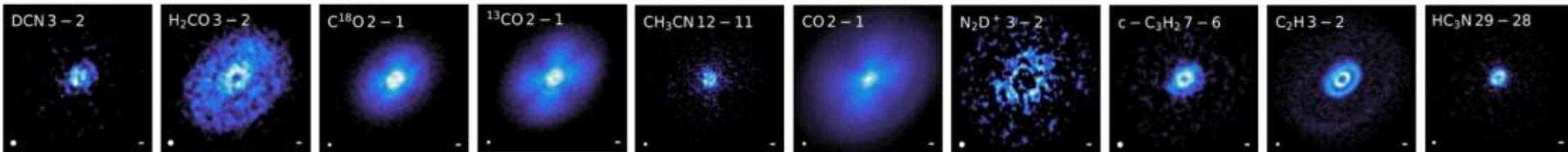


- Gas mass
  - dust traces only ~ 1% of the total disk mass
  - use molecules to trace the dominant disk component ( $H_2$ )
- Chemistry and the chemical compositions of planets
- 3D velocity and temperature structure of disks
- Detect embedded planets through velocity distortions
- **With vastly improved spectral grasp and improved line (and continuum!) sensitivity, the Wideband Sensitivity Upgrade will be a tremendous advance for disk studies.**



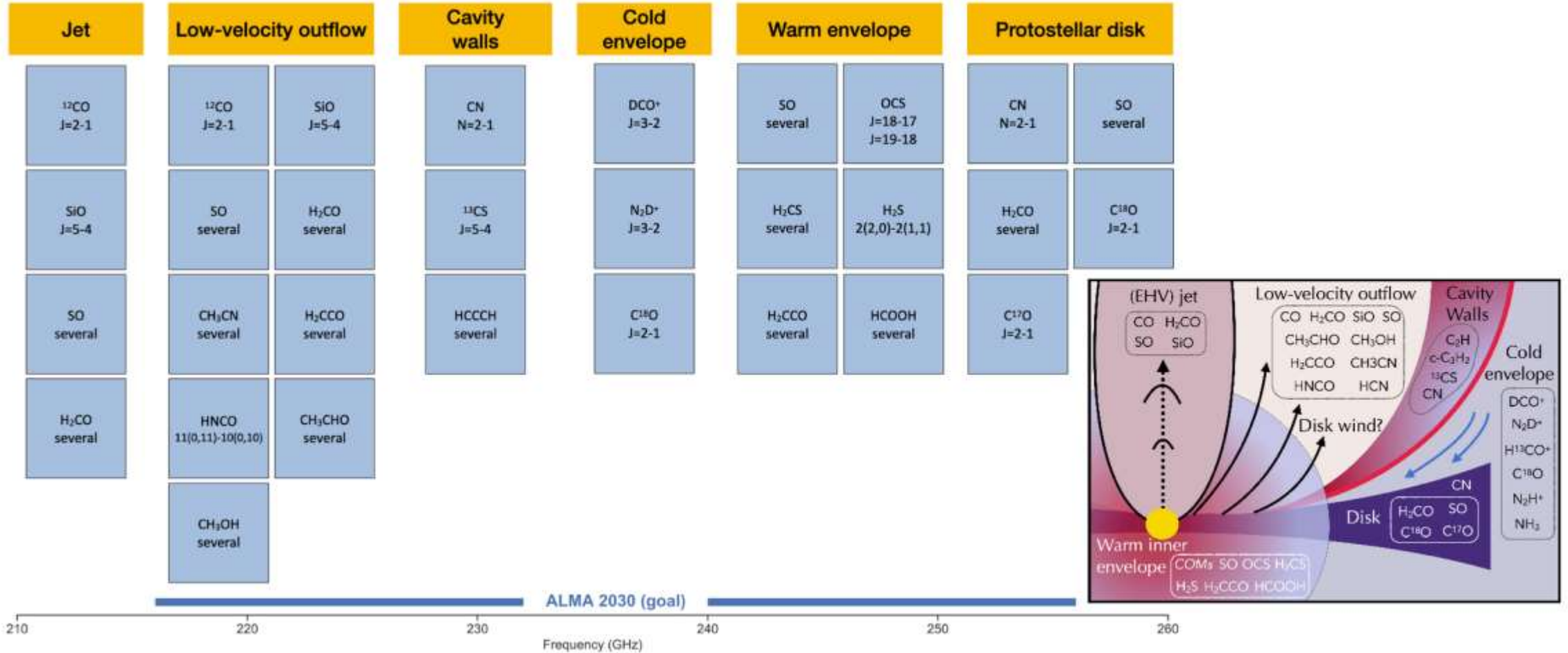


# The WSU Advantage





# Molecular probes of star formation with ALMA 2030



# Challenges for the future

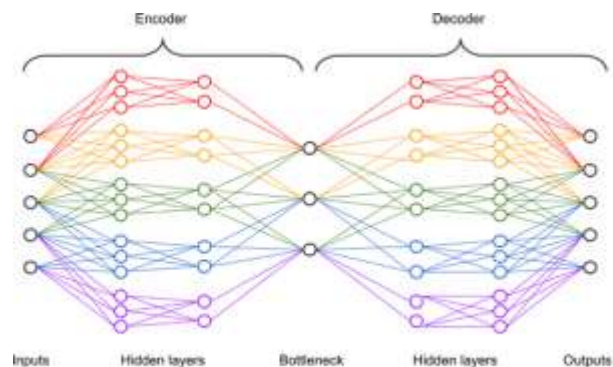
- High data rate
  - Increased sensitivity, camera field of view and spectrometer bandpass
  - Large number of objects surveys
  - Change the data processing method to manage the data rate
- Higher measurement accuracy
  - Improve absolute and relative calibration
  - Characterize systematic effects and bias
  - Multi wavelength and multi time analysis of objects

# New Data processing methods, with help from AI

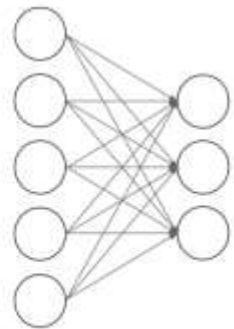
- Image (data cube) processing : noise filtering, source extraction, structure decomposition (e.g. filaments, cores)
  - Interferometric image computation
  - Fourier plane analysis
  - Automatic spectral line fitting : determination of physical conditions (density, temperature, velocity field) .. along the line of sight
  - Automatic (PDR, shock, ...) model fitting
  - Spectral line survey processing :
    - Line finding
    - Line stacking & Match filtering for molecule detection
    - New molecule identification
- Collaboration with data scientists is essential

# Advanced data analysis & interpretation

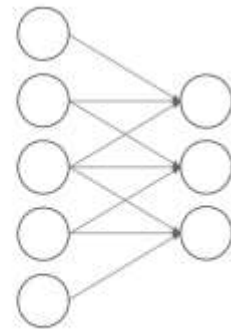
- Large data volumes : automated analysis, and construction of statistical diagnostics
- Limited integration time and optimal use of telescope time : denoise the data using statistical information on the noise and signal properties
  - Simple denoising : multiple gaussian line fit
  - Using neural network (auto-encoder)



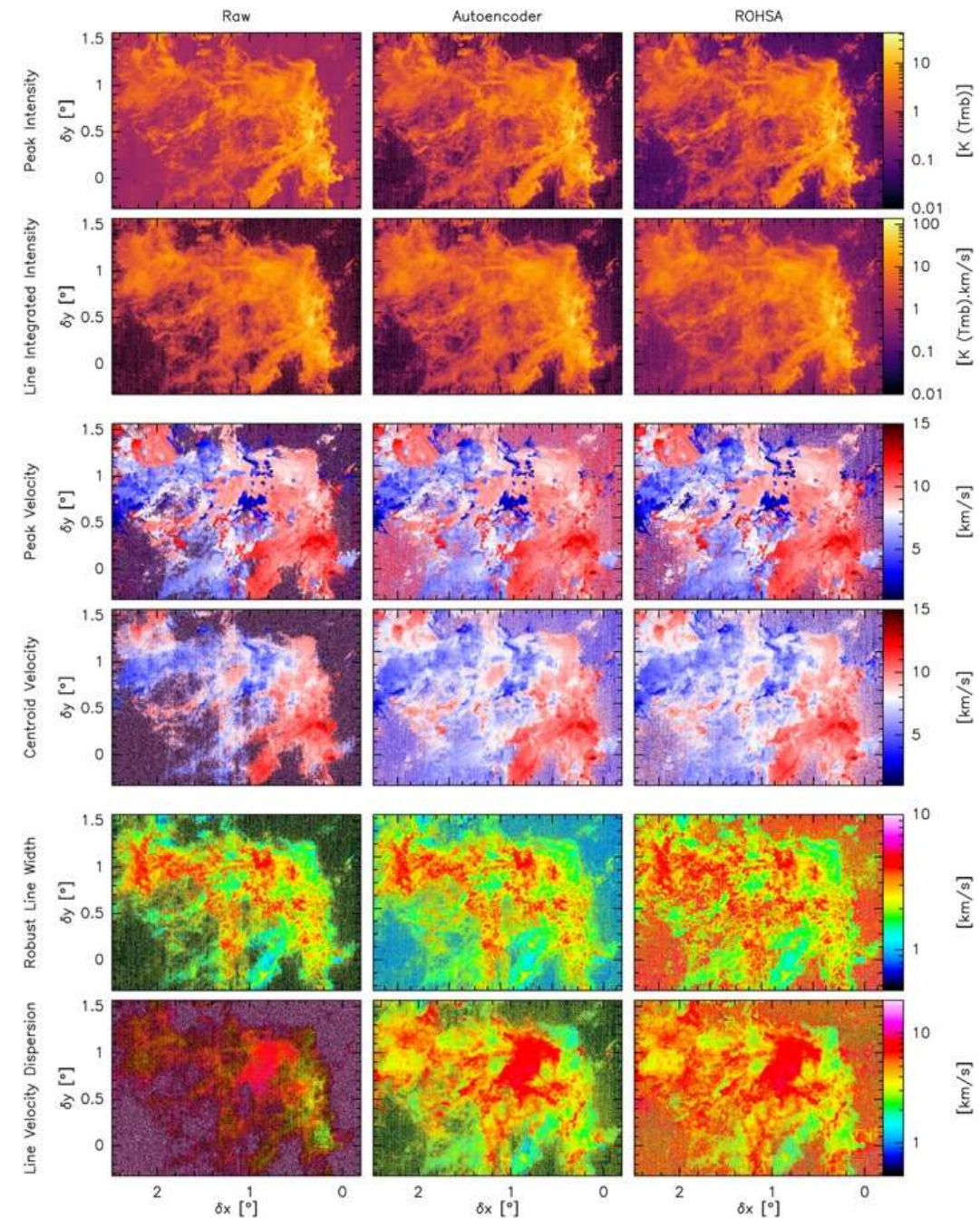
(a) Optimized Autoencoder



(b) Fully connected layer

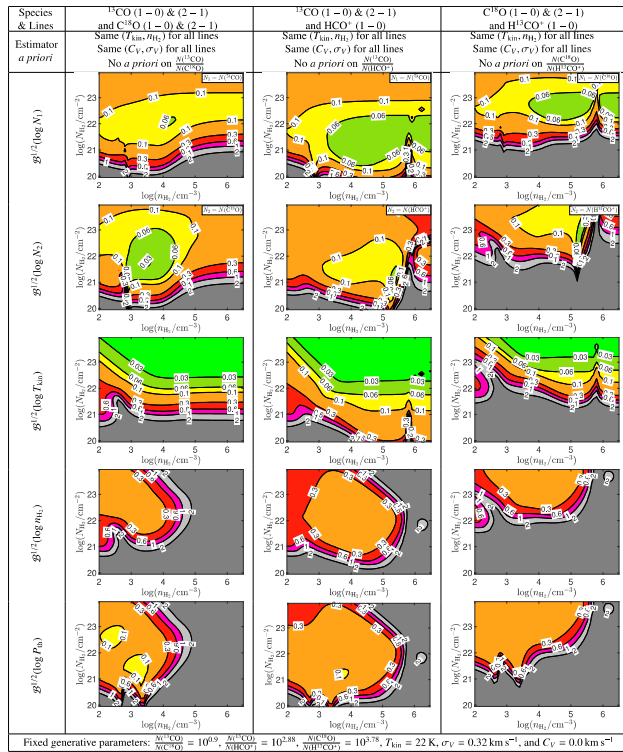


(c) Locally connected layer

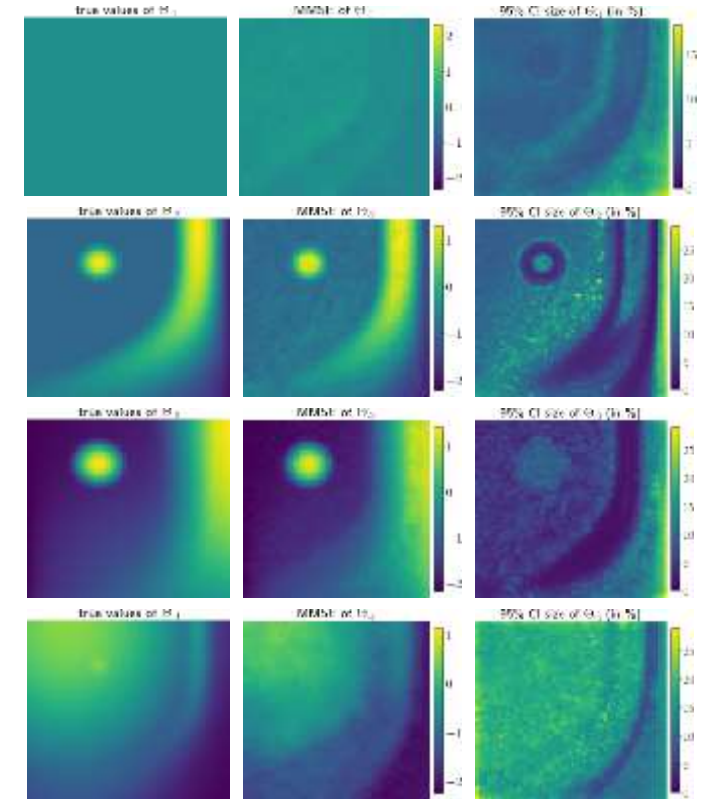




# Advanced data analysis & interpretation



Method	Error factor			Memory (MB)	Speed (ms)		
	mean	99th per.	max				
No outlier removal	near. neighbor	→13.1	→11.3	→3e5	1650	62	
		linear	15.7	→2.3	→143	1650	1.5e3
	spline	linear	15.7	→2.3	→144	1650	...
		cubic	11.2	→2.2	→122	1650	...
		quintic	19.1	→2.9	→304	1650	...
	RBF	linear	10.2	96.8	→99	1650	1.1e4
		cubic	10.4	→2.1	→112	1650	1.1e4
		quintic	10.9	→2.1	→118	1650	1.1e4
	ANN	R	7.3	64.8	→81	118	12
		R+P	6.2	49.7	→84	118	13
	Outlier removal on training set	near. neighbor	→13.1	→11.6	→3e5	1650	62
			linear	15.9	→2.4	→143	1650
spline		linear	15.9	→2.4	→144	1650	...
		cubic	11.1	→2.2	→120	1650	...
		quintic	20.0	→2.7	→285	1650	...
RBF		linear	10.3	97.3	→97.5	1650	1.1e4
		cubic	10.5	→2.0	→106	1650	1.1e4
		quintic	10.9	→2.0	→114	1650	1.1e4
ANN		R	5.1	42.0	→32.8	118	12
		R+P	5.5	42.3	→41	118	13
		R+P+C	4.9	44.5	→44	51	14
		R+P+D	4.5	33.1	→33.8	125	11
	R+P+C+D	4.8	37.9	→37.6	43	14	



- Improve the accuracy : study the Precision, bias and degeneracies of the molecular line fits using radiative transfer models
- PDR model fits : Emulation of the PDR model with a neural network for fast calculations and Bayesian fitting

# Learning from the data for the determination of $N(\text{H}_2)$

$N(\text{H}_2)$  derived from fitting the dust thermal emission between far IR and submm, assuming a dust model and a dust to gas ratio

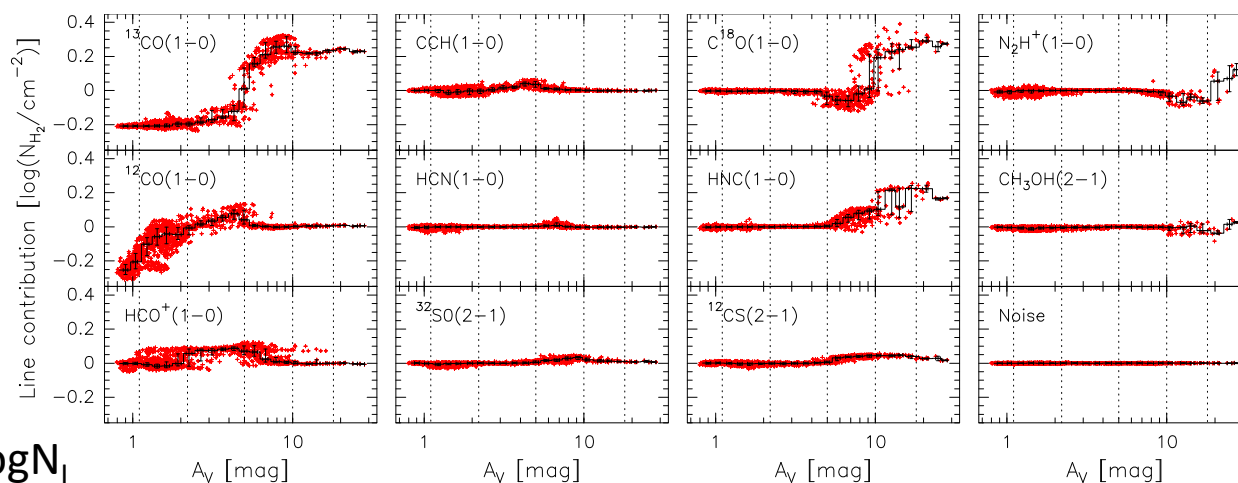
Or

$N(\text{H}_2)$  derived from molecular line maps assuming constant emissivity or a fixed and known relative abundances

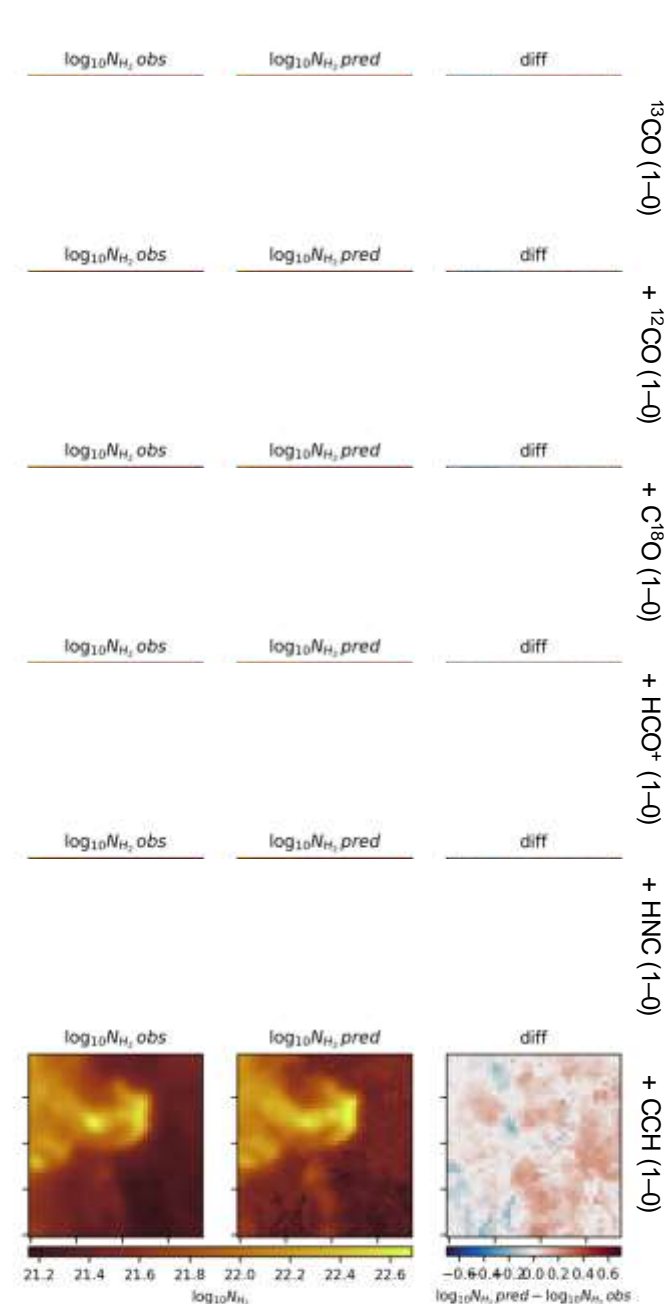
Learning from the data using four lines :  $^{12}\text{CO}$ ,  $^{13}\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{C}^{18}\text{O}$ ,  $\text{HCO}^+$  (1-0)

For each pixel, the four lines provide information on the column density, with different relative contributions for different values of  $N(\text{H}_2)$

⇒ Insight into the physics and chemistry



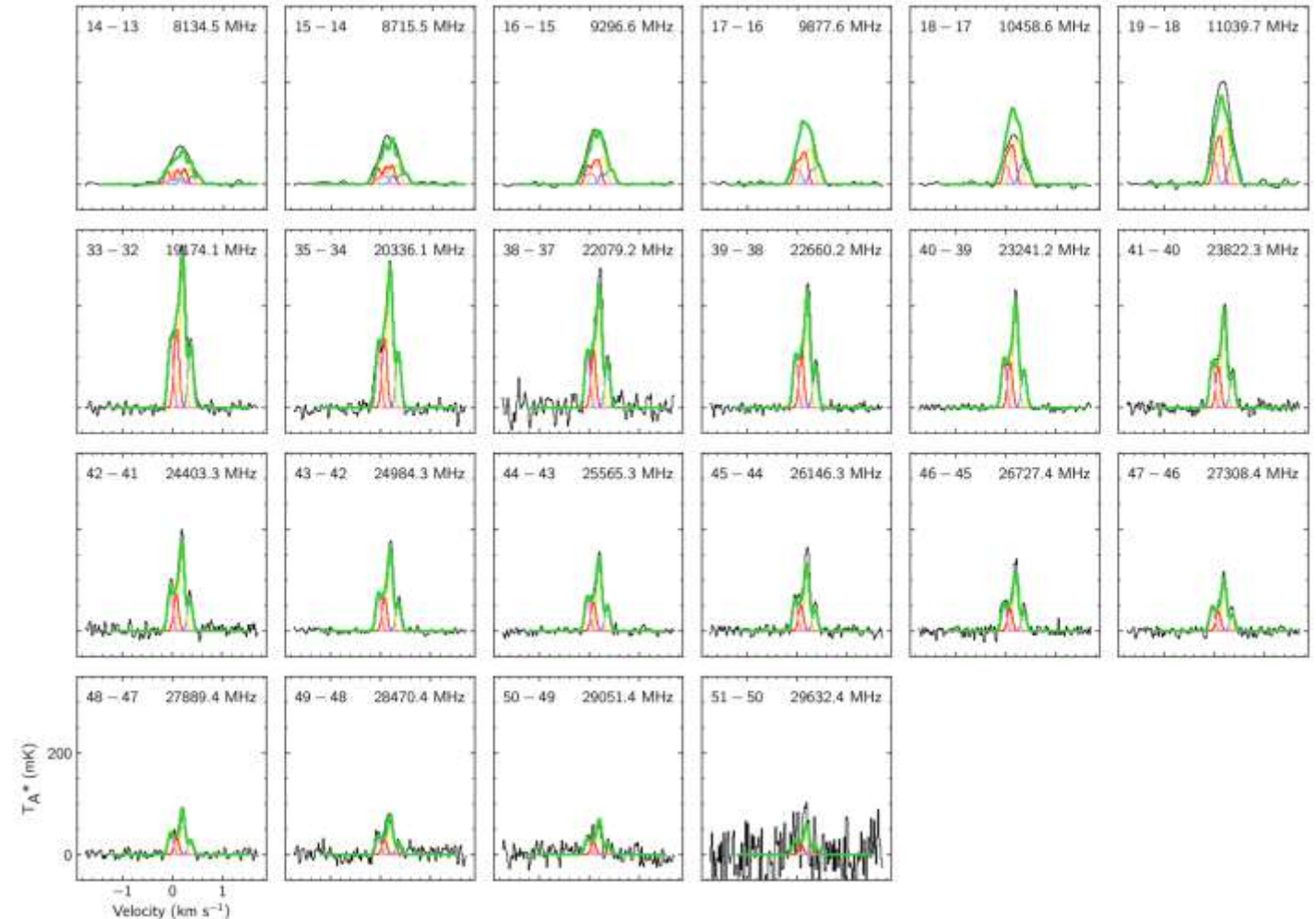
$$\log N = \log N_0 + \sum_{l=1,L} \log N_l$$



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# Line survey analysis : matched filtering

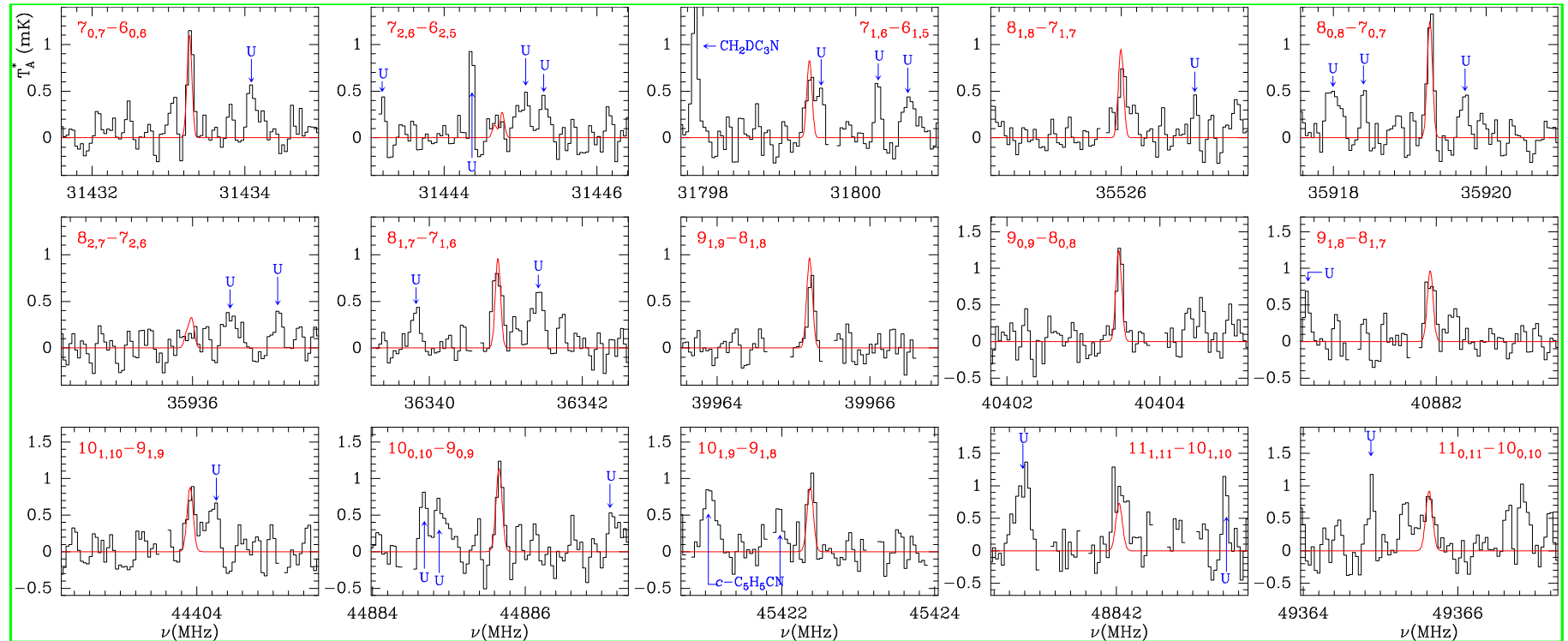
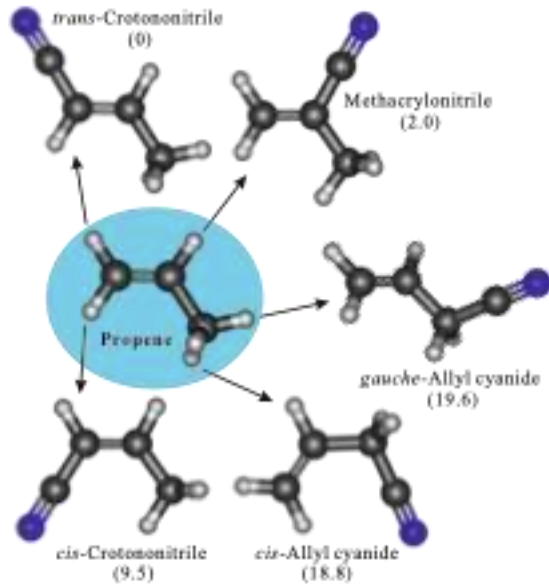
- Known line profile (from theory or from observations of strong spectral lines) and source properties (size, temperature, ...)
  - Known and accurate molecule spectroscopic parameters
  - Known telescope and instrument performances
- Simulation of expected signal
- Convolution of the observed data with the expected signal
- Allows stacking of different lines
  - Confirmation of a detection with detection of individual lines ( $\text{HC}_9\text{N}$ )





# Line survey analysis

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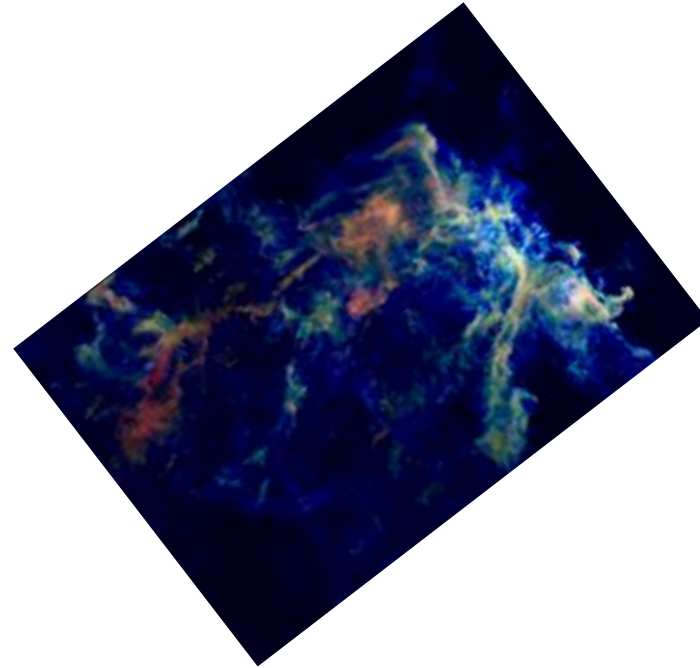


Five cyano derivatives of propene (CH<sub>3</sub>CHCH<sub>2</sub>) detected

- Deep integrations over a broad frequency range
- Line by line detections and stacking

Cernicharo+2022

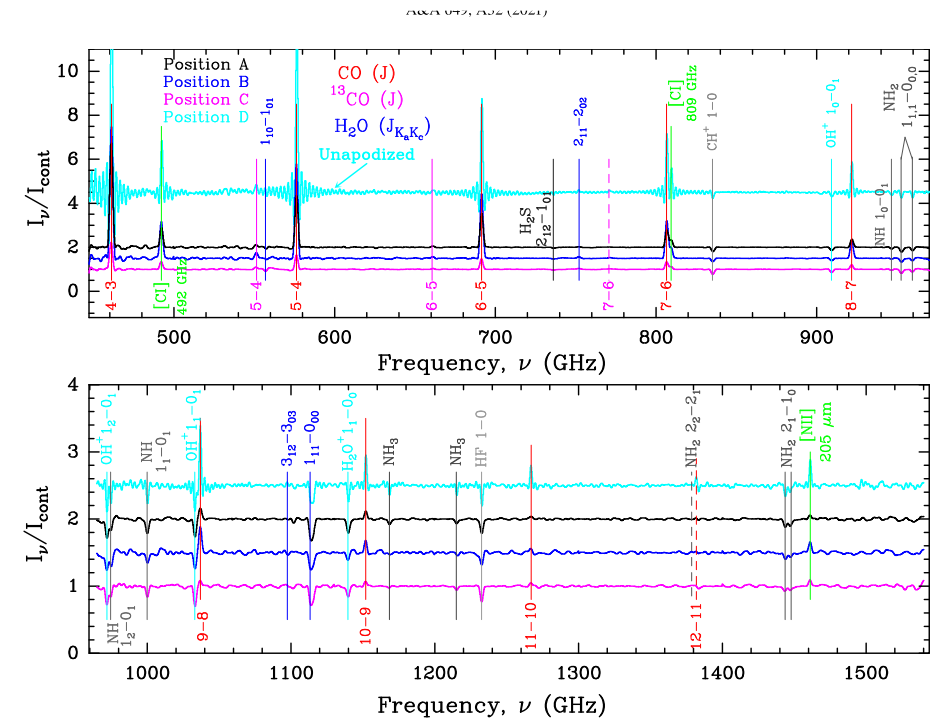
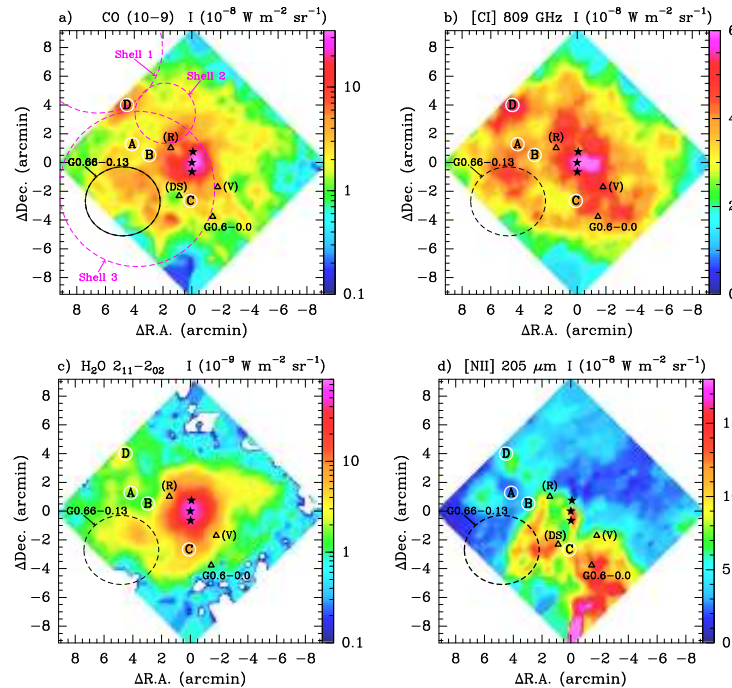
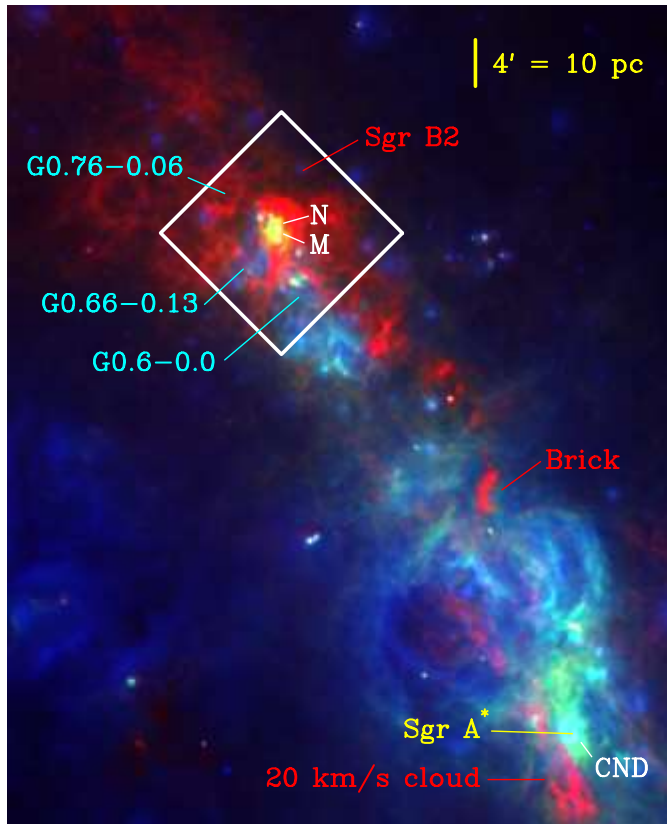
# The benefit of large scale maps



*Orion B Herschel vs IRAM-30m*

- Large dynamical range of spatial scales
- Large variety of environments
- Relation between star forming regions and their environment
- Unbiased selection of lines : mini line surveys for molecular clouds
- Spectral line maps are smaller than photometry but bring complementary information

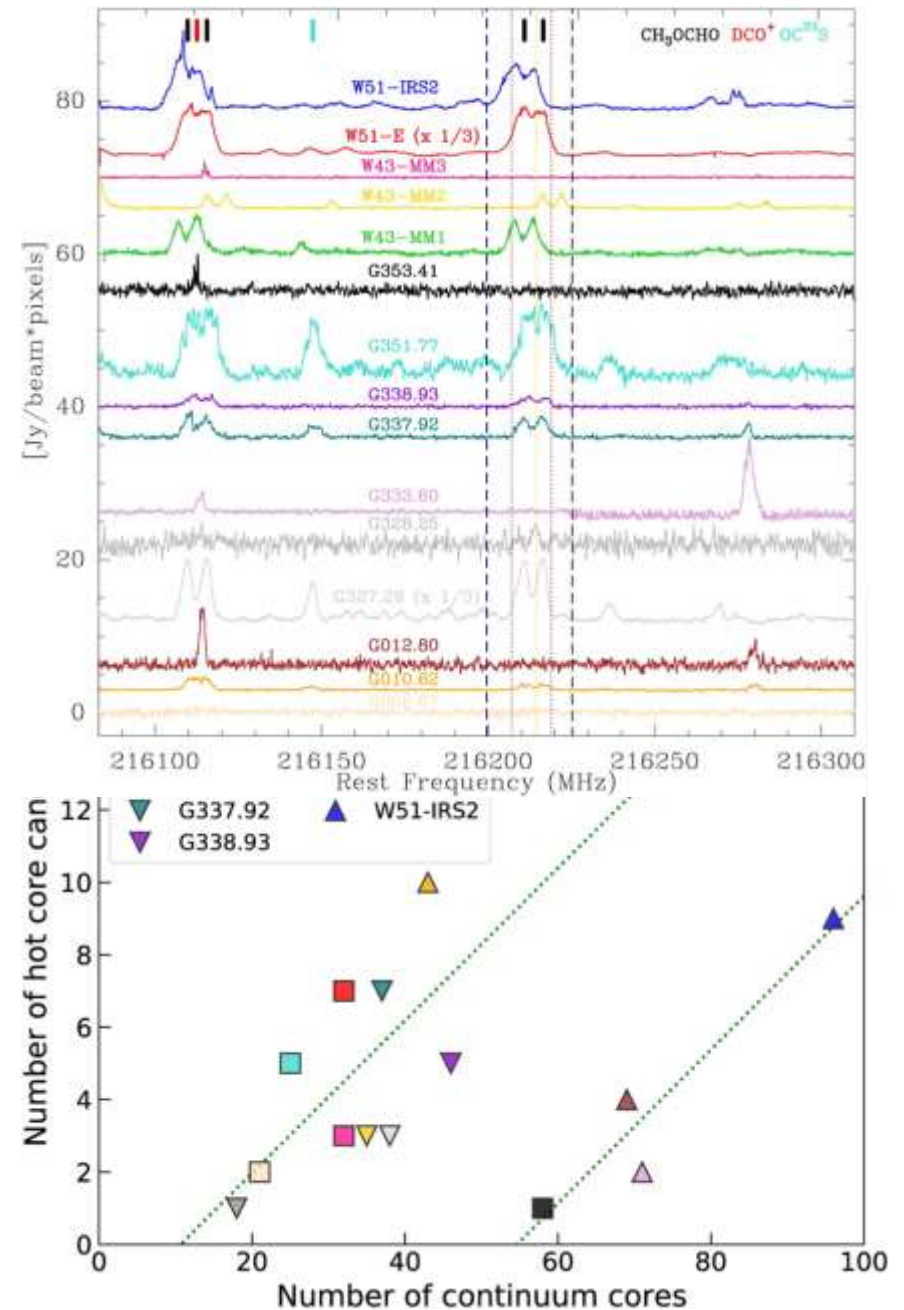
# The benefic of large scale maps



- SgrB2 : an example for molecular cloud associated to super star cluster, as in starbursts
- Combination of spectral diagnostics for the different phases

# Statistical samples

- Statistical view of ISM and star forming regions : from few (template) sources to unbiased samples
- Large programs, e.g. ALMA-IMF, selection of hot core candidates with CH<sub>3</sub>OCHO lines
- Hot cores are associated with deeply embedded massive protostars
- Hot core lifetime  $\sim$  protostar lifetime few  $10^5$  yrs

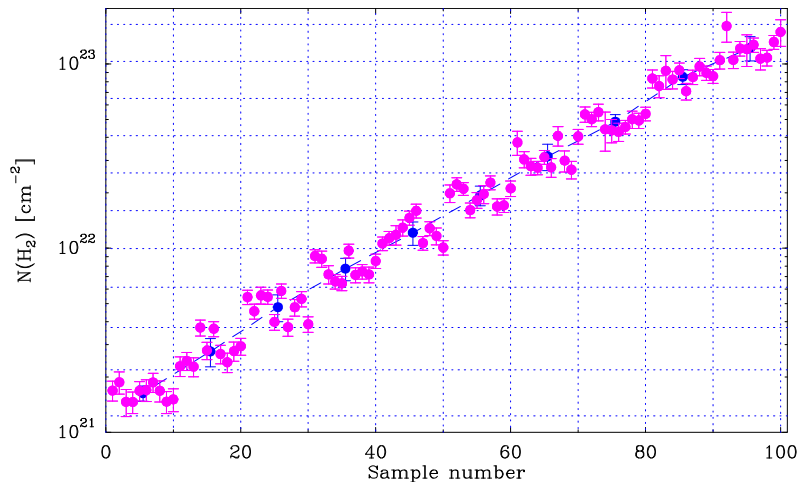




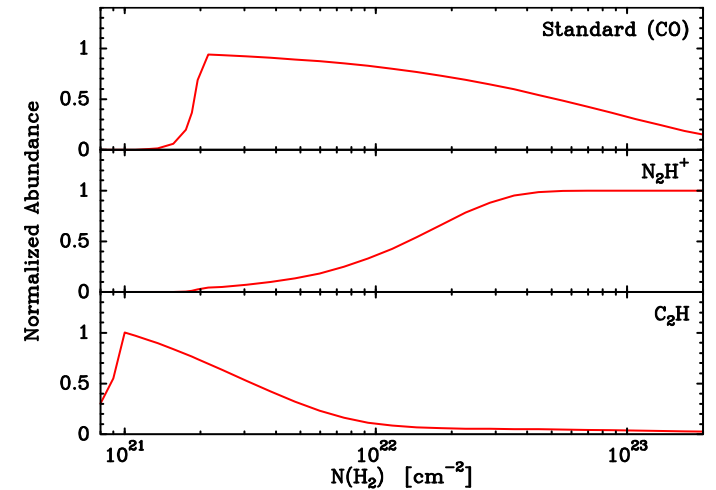
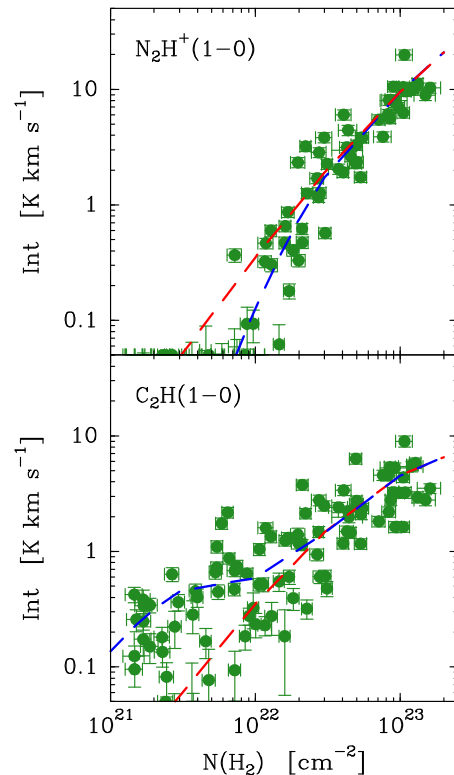
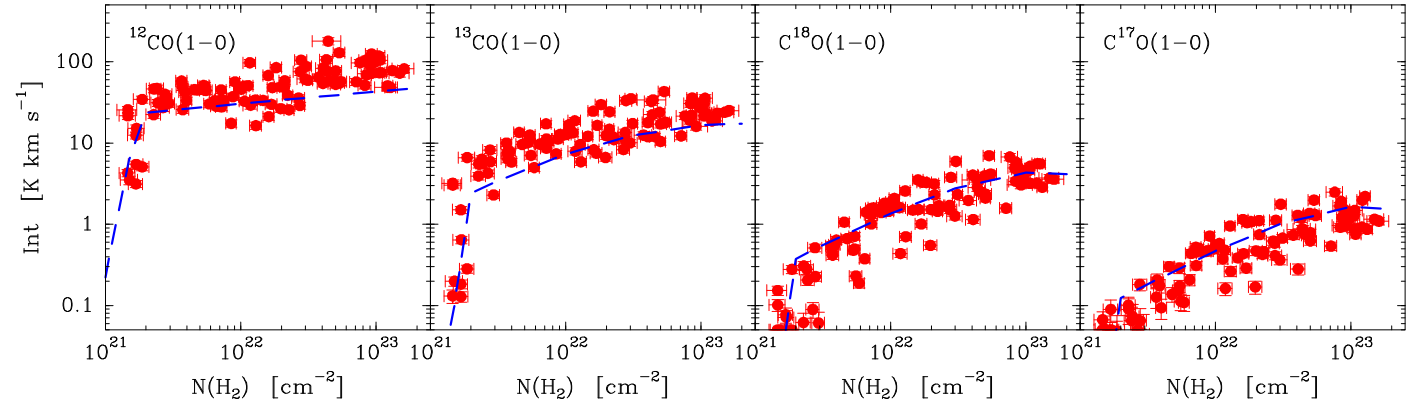
# Sampling clouds

- Random sampling of nearby molecular clouds by selecting positions in different intervals of  $N(\text{H}_2)$
- Building trends of line emission vs  $N(\text{H}_2)$
- Fit trends with simple cloud and abundance model including photodissociation at cloud edge and Freezing at high extinction :

*A&A proofs: manu*



Tafalla+2021, 2023



$$n(\text{H}_2) = 2 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3} (N(\text{H}_2) / 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-2})^{0.75}$$

$$\Delta V = 1 \text{ km s}^{-1} (N(\text{H}_2) / 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-2})^{0.15}$$

$$X(N(\text{H}_2)) = X_0 f_{\text{out}}(N(\text{H}_2)) f_{\text{in}}(N(\text{H}_2))$$

# What's next ? Star and planet forming material

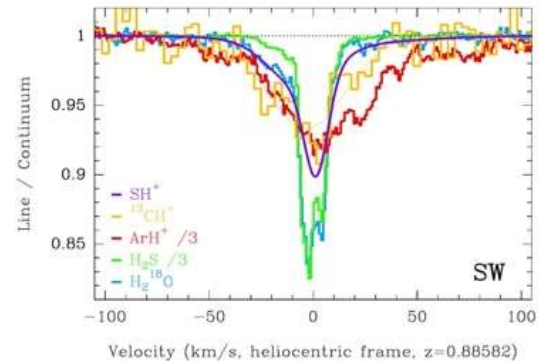
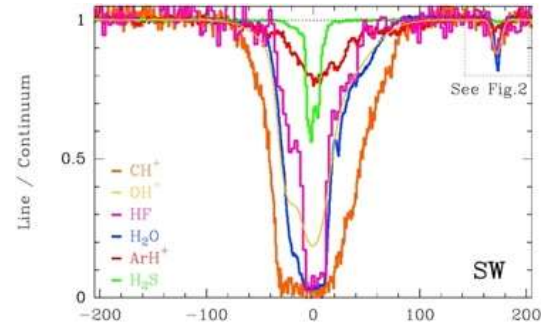
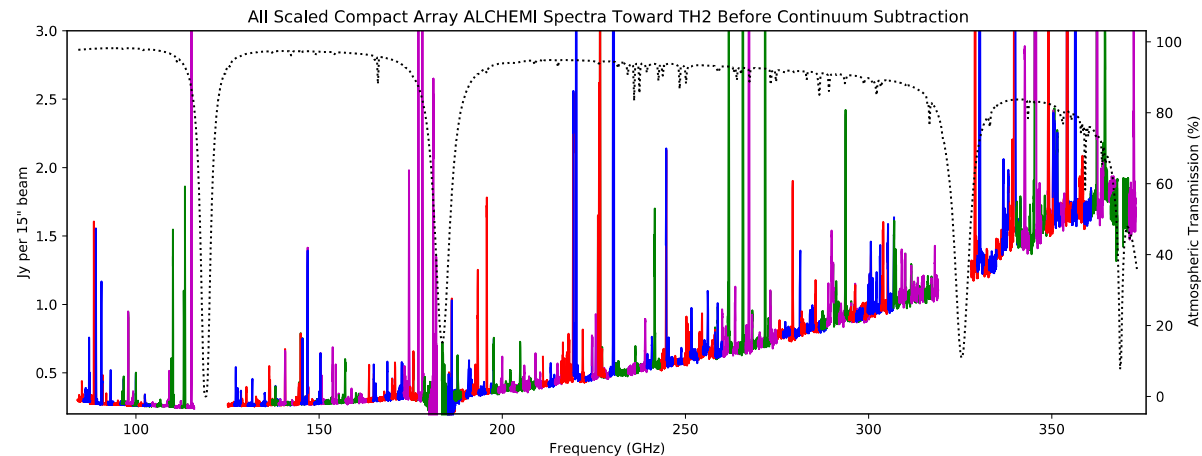
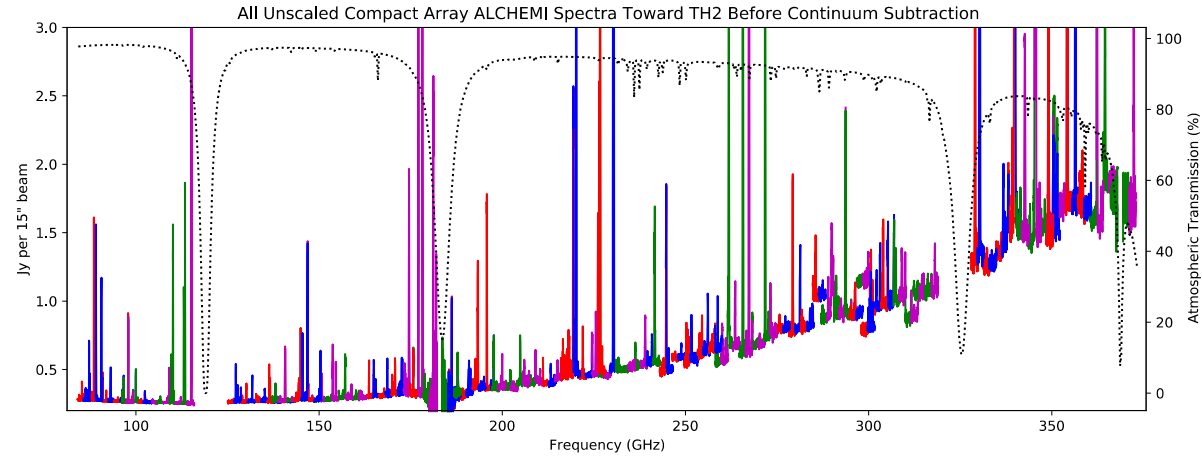
- Far infrared spectroscopy of planet forming disks : HD, H<sub>2</sub>O, OI, as in the FIR probe projects
  - Total gas content, depletions, position of the snow line, tomography from the line profiles, evolutionary effects
  - High spectral resolution is key for line profile and line/continuum separation
- IR imaging spectroscopy with JWST
- Ground based interferometers GRAVITY+, NOEMA, ALMA Wide Sensitivity Upgrade (2030+) with 2x (8 – 16 GHz) at high spectral resolution, ngVLA, MeerKat, SKA



# What's next : Astrochemistry at low and high redshift

- From the solar system to high  $z$  : variation of elemental abundances, metallicities, dust properties, radiation field, cosmic ray flux, ..
- Dust evolution : dust content and dust composition
- Variation of some fundamental constants with time ?

## ALCHEMI NGC253 with ALMA

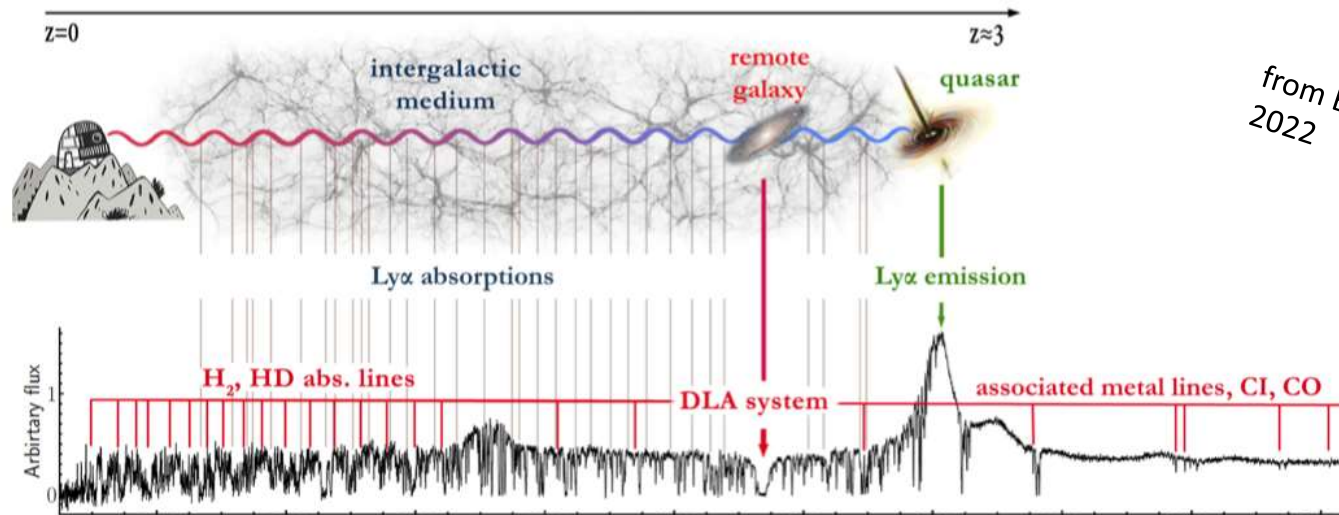


Martin+2021,  
Müller+2017

# H<sub>2</sub>, C<sup>+</sup>, C, CO .. observations at high redshift

## Electronic spectrum of H<sub>2</sub> in the far UV

redshifted → visible absorption towards extragalactic sources



from Balashev & Noterdaeme  
2022

→ test of variation of fundamental constants at high  $z$ ;  $d\alpha/\alpha \leq 10^{-6}$ ;

coupling of high spectral resolution spectra and theoretical computations to derive the K-factors (Ubachs +2019)

