



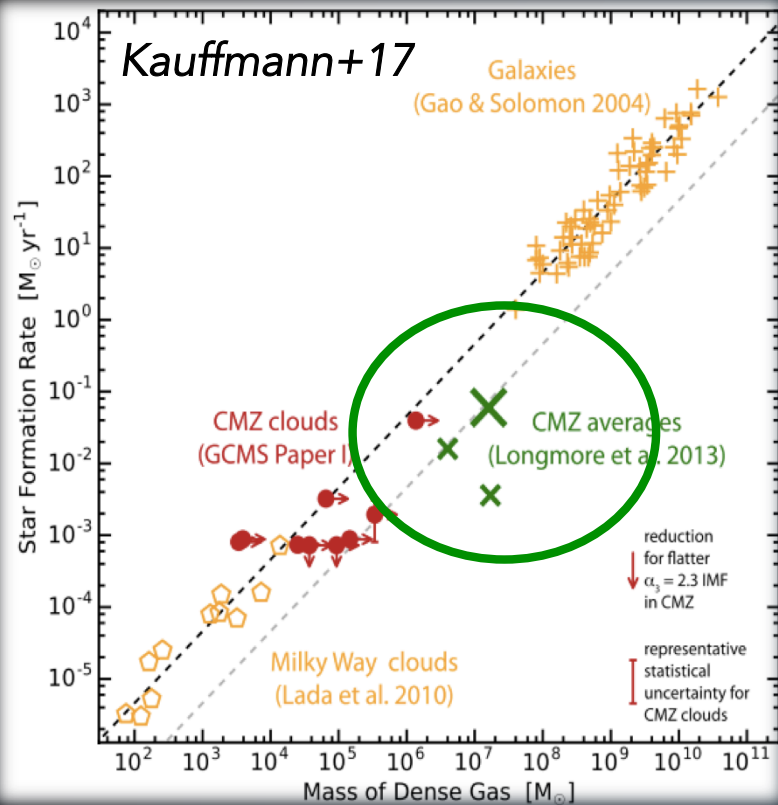
# ***Star Formation Conditions In the Milky Way's Galactic Central Molecular Zone***

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# Inefficient SF in GC



- Star Formation *Efficiency* is 1–2 orders below the K-S Law for dense gas  
(e.g. Kauffmann+17)
- GC is a hostile environment for SF & good sample for finding parameters of SF
  - Turbulence
  - Magnetic Field
  - Cosmic-Ray (e.g. Kruijssen+14)
- Gas Volume density  $n_{\text{H}_2}$ 
  - $\text{SFR} = \epsilon_{\text{ff}} \cdot M_{\text{gas}} \cdot t_{\text{ff}}^{-1}$   
function of density?                      function of density
  - $\text{SFR} \propto M_{\text{gas}} (n_{\text{H}_2} > 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3})$

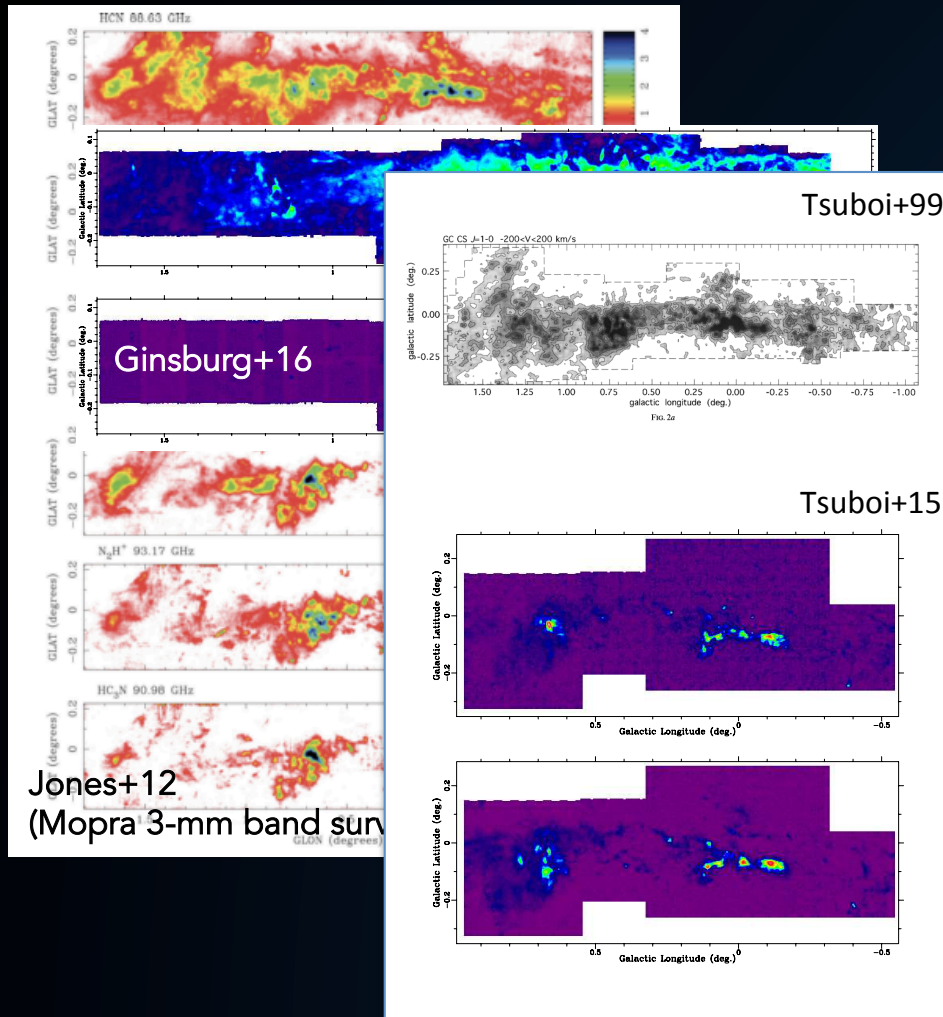
# Density Measurement is Difficult

- Physical Condition Probes

- gas surface density  $N_{\text{H}_2}$  : submm-FIR dust
- gas kinetic temperature  $T_{\text{kin}}$  : ammonia,  $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$
- gas volume density  $n_{\text{H}_2}$  : ???

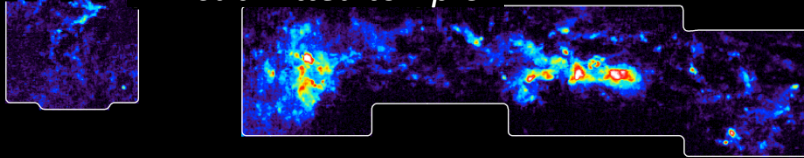
- We have to Solve excitation equation including full parameter set
  - ( $N_{\text{H}_2}$ ,  $T_{\text{kin}}$ ,  $n_{\text{H}_2}$ , filling factor, molecular abundances) x num. of voxel

# Multi-line Analysis

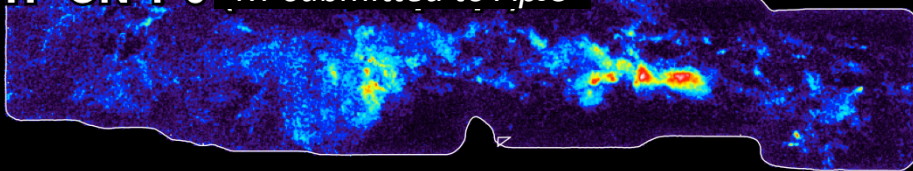


- ASTE10-m & NRO45-m (*KT+ in prep.*)
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  - $\text{H}^{13}\text{CN } J=1-0$  +
  
- Mopra 3-mm Survey (*Jones+ 2012*)
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  - $\text{HCO}^+ J=1-0$  +
  
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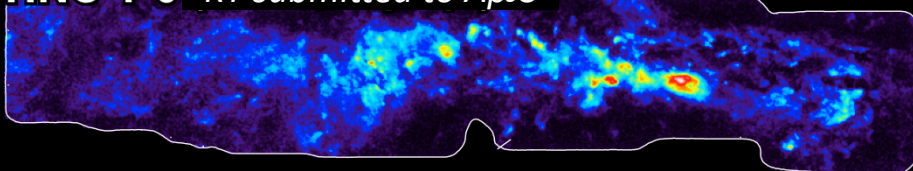
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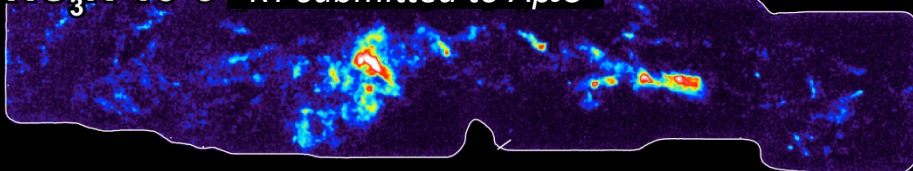
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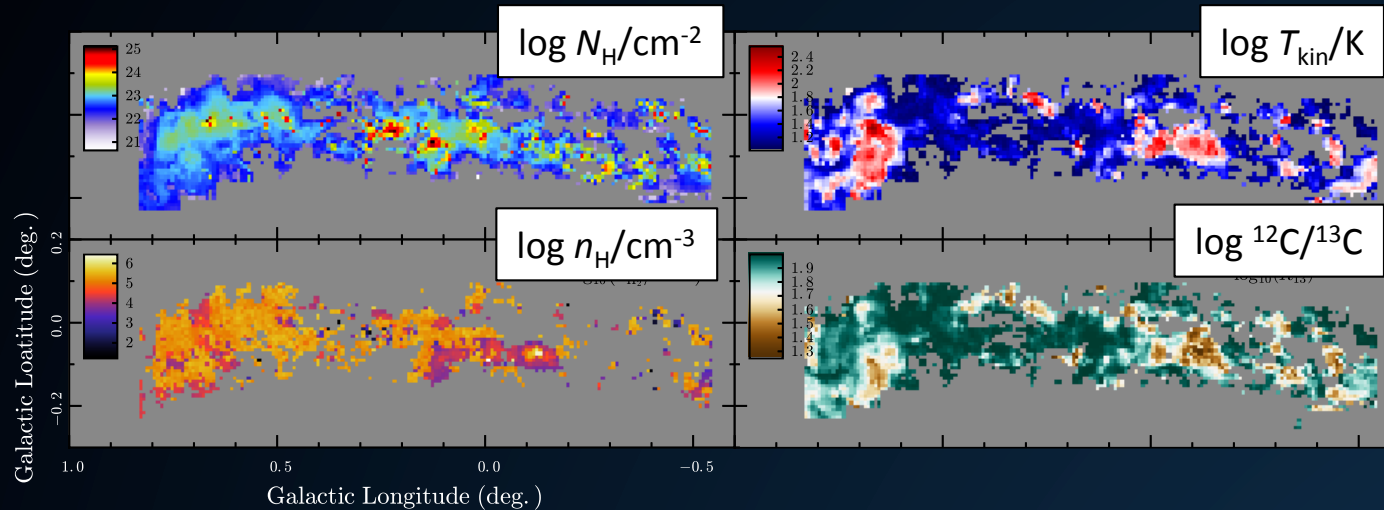
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# Maximum Likelihood(ML) Analysis



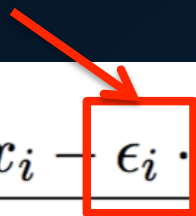
Likelihood Function :

$$P(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{p}) \propto \prod_i \frac{1}{\delta_i} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x_i - F(\mathbf{p}_i)}{\delta_i} \right)^2 \right]$$

- Severely affected by systematic errors due to calibration errors, spectral baseline noises, breakdown of one-zone LVG approximation, ...

···But Systematic Errors cannot be included in ML analysis

factor for systematic errors

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- Additional parameter representing systematic errors are necessary
- Cannot be solved with ML method : d.o.f < 0

# Hierarchical Bayesian Analysis

*Kelly+12*

## Physical Parameters

$N_{\text{H}_2}$   $n_{\text{H}_2}$   $T_{\text{kin}}$   
 $R_{13} = [^{12}\text{C}]/[^{13}\text{C}]$   
filling factor  
 $x(\text{HCN})$   
 $x(\text{p-H}_2\text{CO})$   
...

## Errors

$e(\text{HCN } 1-0)$   
 $e(\text{HCN } 4-3)$   
 $e(\text{H}^{13}\text{CN } 1-0)$   
 $e(\text{p-H}_2\text{CO } 3_{03}-2_{02})$   
 $e(\text{p-H}_2\text{CO } 3_{21}-2_{20})$   
...

## Hyper-parameters

$\Sigma$

$p_0$

$\sigma$

- Uses statistical properties of Parameters for inference
  - Variance-covariance of  $p$  :  $\Sigma$
  - Voxel-mean of  $p$  :  $p_0$
  - Std of systematic errors :  $\sigma$



# Posterior Probability

$$P(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{I}) \propto P(\mathbf{I} | \mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}) \cdot P(\mathbf{p}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) \cdot P(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{i,j} \frac{1}{\delta_{i,j}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_{i,j} - \epsilon_i \cdot F(\mathbf{p}_i)_j}{\delta_{i,j}} \right)^2 \right]$$

Joint (simultaneous) probability of

$\mathbf{p}$  : physical condition

$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$  : errors

$\boldsymbol{\theta}$  : statistical properties of  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$

on condition that  $\mathbf{I}$  (line intensities) are known

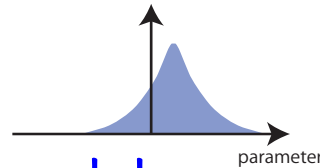
$$\cdot \prod_{i,j} \frac{1}{\sigma_j \cdot \epsilon_{i,j}} \cdot \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\ln \epsilon_{i,j}}{\sigma_j} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\cdot |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-\frac{N}{2}} \cdot \prod_i \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\nu} (\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_0)^\top \cdot \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \cdot (\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_0) \right]^{-\frac{\nu + N_p}{2}}$$

$$\begin{cases} |R|^{-(N_p+1)} \cdot \prod_k^{N_p} \left[ S_k^{-N_p} (R^{-1}_{k,k})^{-\frac{N}{2}} \right] \\ \quad \text{(for symmetric positive definite } \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \text{)} \\ 0 \\ \quad \text{(otherwise)} \end{cases}$$

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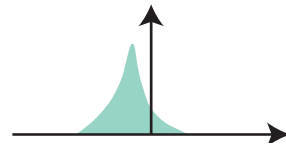
Likelihood =  
degree of fitness of the model  
to the observation



$$\prod_{i,j} \frac{1}{\delta_{i,j}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_{i,j} - \epsilon_i \cdot F(\mathbf{p}_i)_j}{\delta_{i,j}} \right)^2 \right]$$

Prior functions:

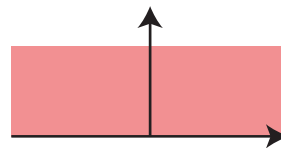
Parameter  $\sim$  log-student  $(\mathbf{p}_0, \Sigma)$   
Errors  $\sim$  log-normal  $(0, \sigma^2)$



$$\cdot \prod_{i,j} \frac{1}{\sigma_j \cdot \epsilon_{i,j}} \cdot \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\ln \epsilon_{i,j}}{\sigma_j} \right)^2 \right]$$

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Hyperprior functions:  
“Any sets of  $(\Sigma, \mathbf{p}_0, \sigma)$   
are equally possible”



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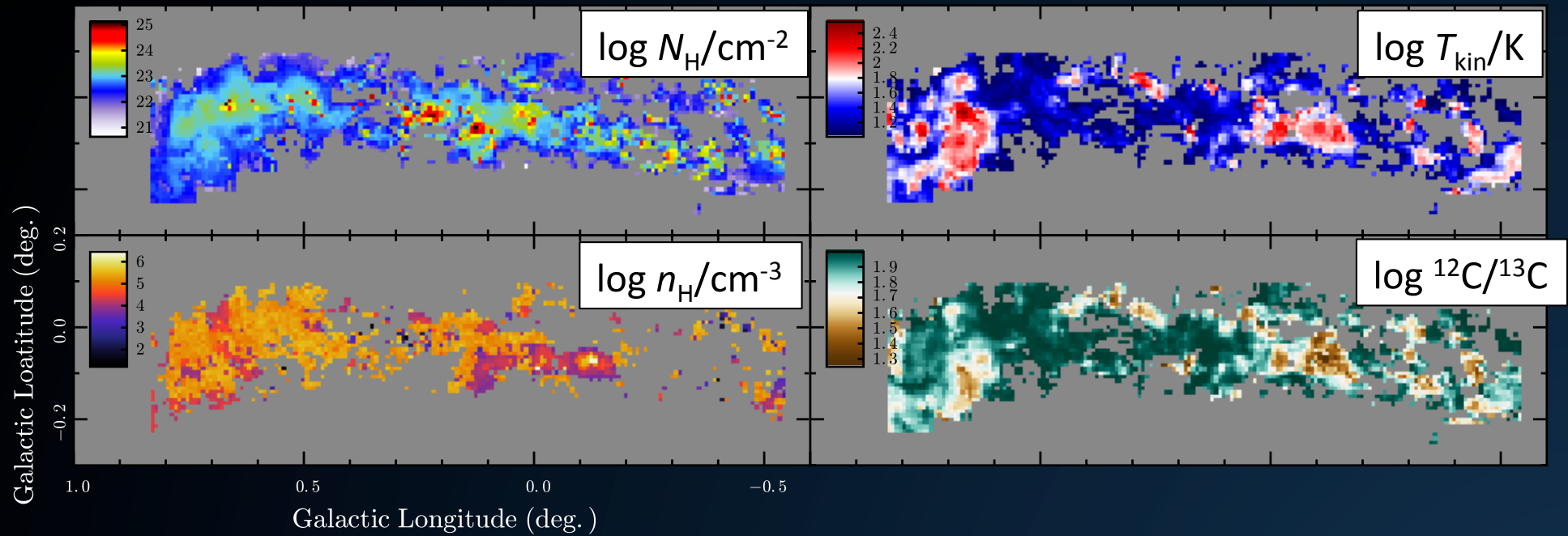
# Marginal Posterior Probability

Eliminate 'nuisance parameters' ( $\epsilon$ ,  $\theta$ ) by performing integration

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{p}|\mathbf{I}) &= \int P(\mathbf{p}, \epsilon, \theta|\mathbf{I}) \cdot d\epsilon \cdot d\theta \\ &\propto \int P(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{p}, \epsilon) \cdot P(\mathbf{p}, \epsilon|\theta) \cdot P(\theta) \cdot d\epsilon \cdot d\theta \end{aligned}$$

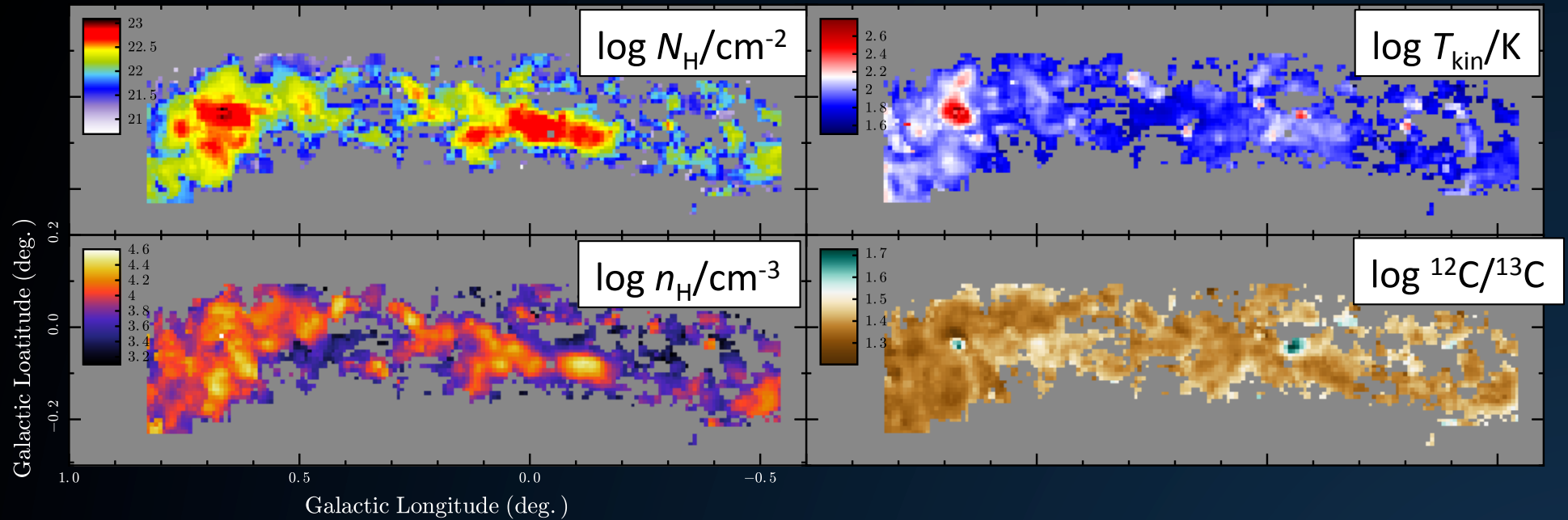
Integration is done using Markov-Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) method

# ML Analysis



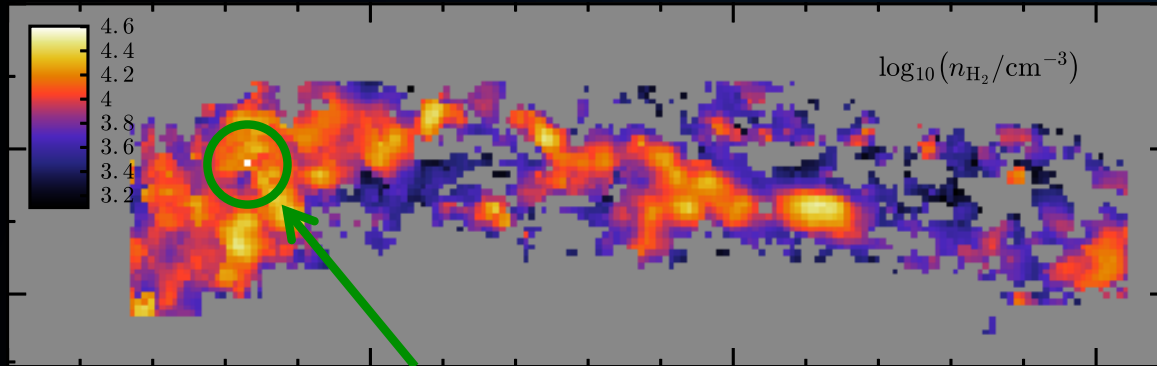
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# HB Analysis (PDF median map)



- Artifacts are suppressed

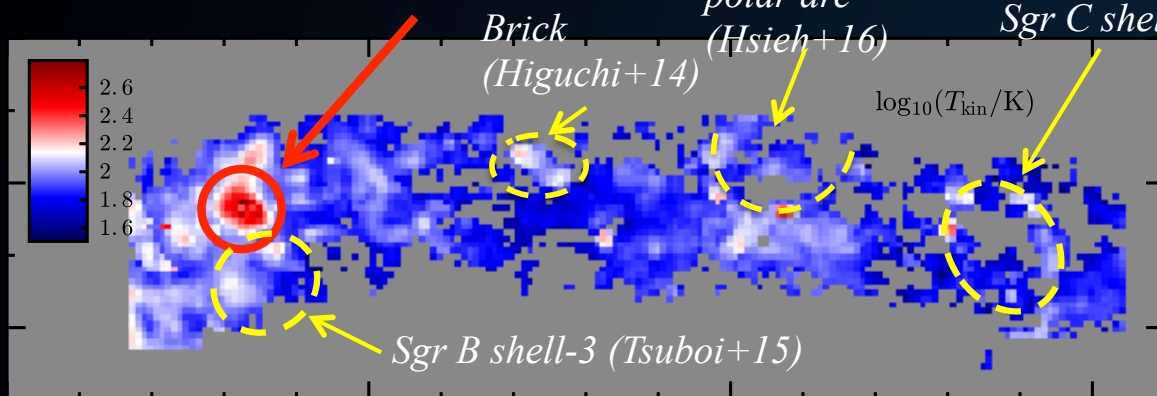
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## Volume density

No systematic difference between active SF regions and quiescent GMCs are detected (except for Sgr B2)

Sgr B2 cluster-forming region

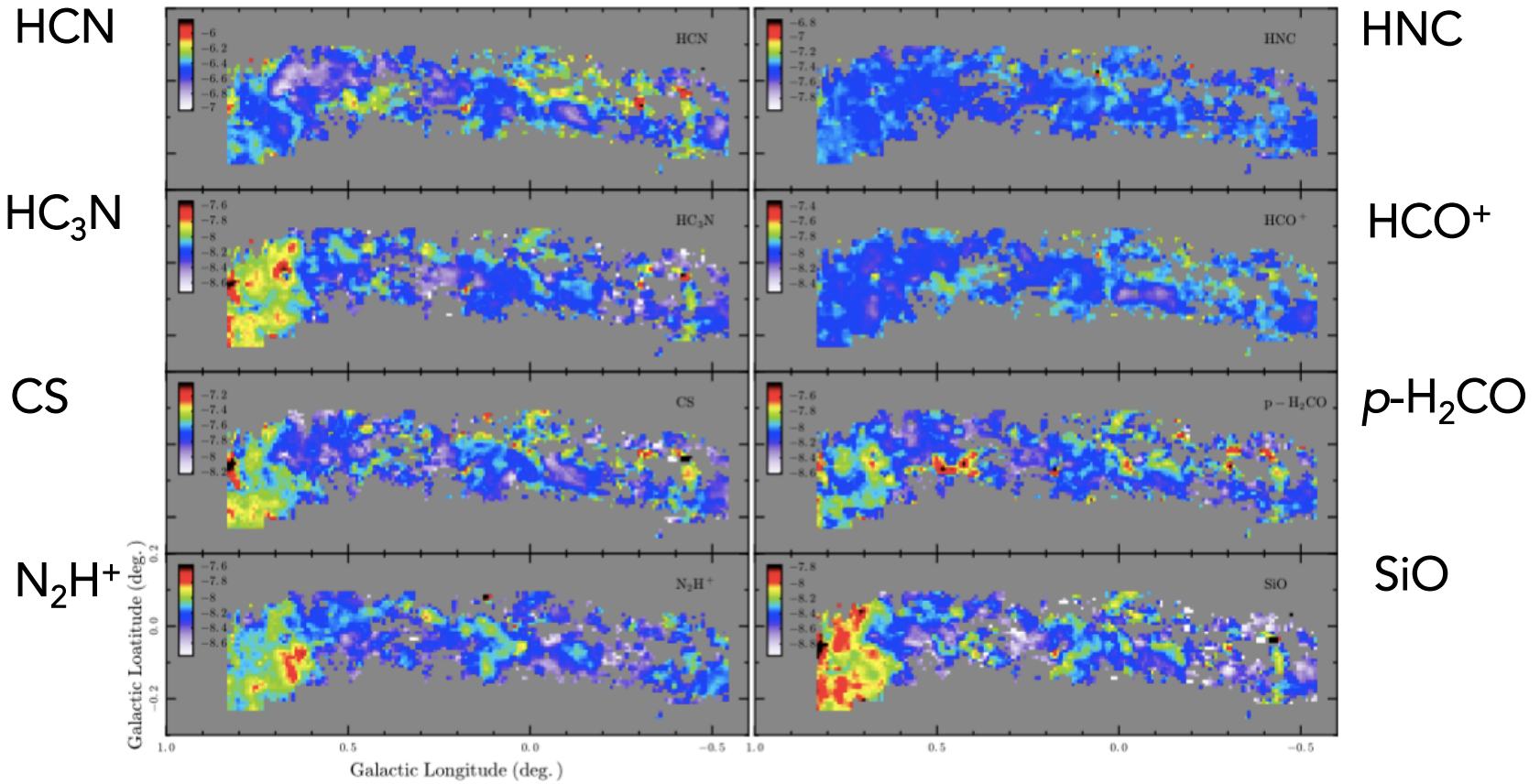


## Gas Temperature

Warm regions without heating sources

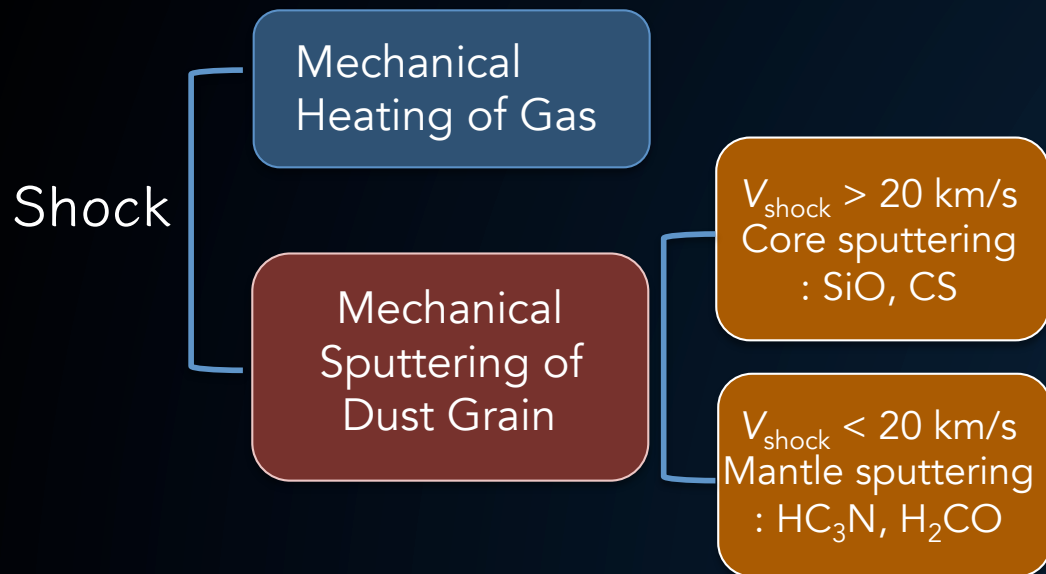
→ Shock-heated gas

# Molecular Abundance Map

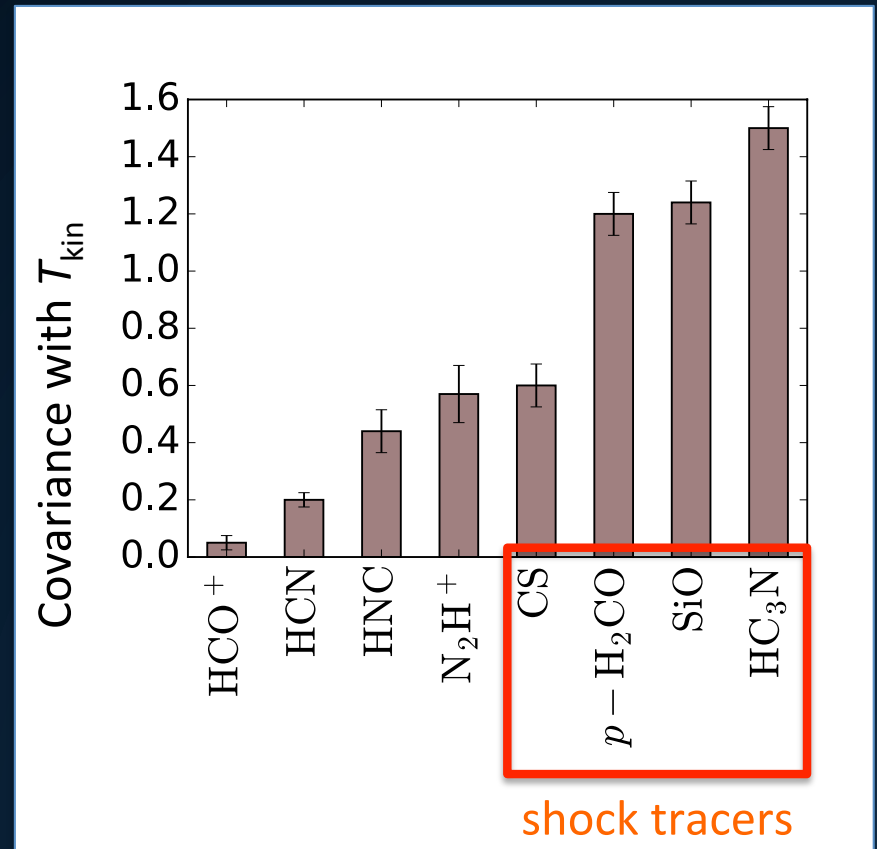


# Widespread Shock Chemistry

- Effects of shocks on the chemical & thermal processes in the GC clouds



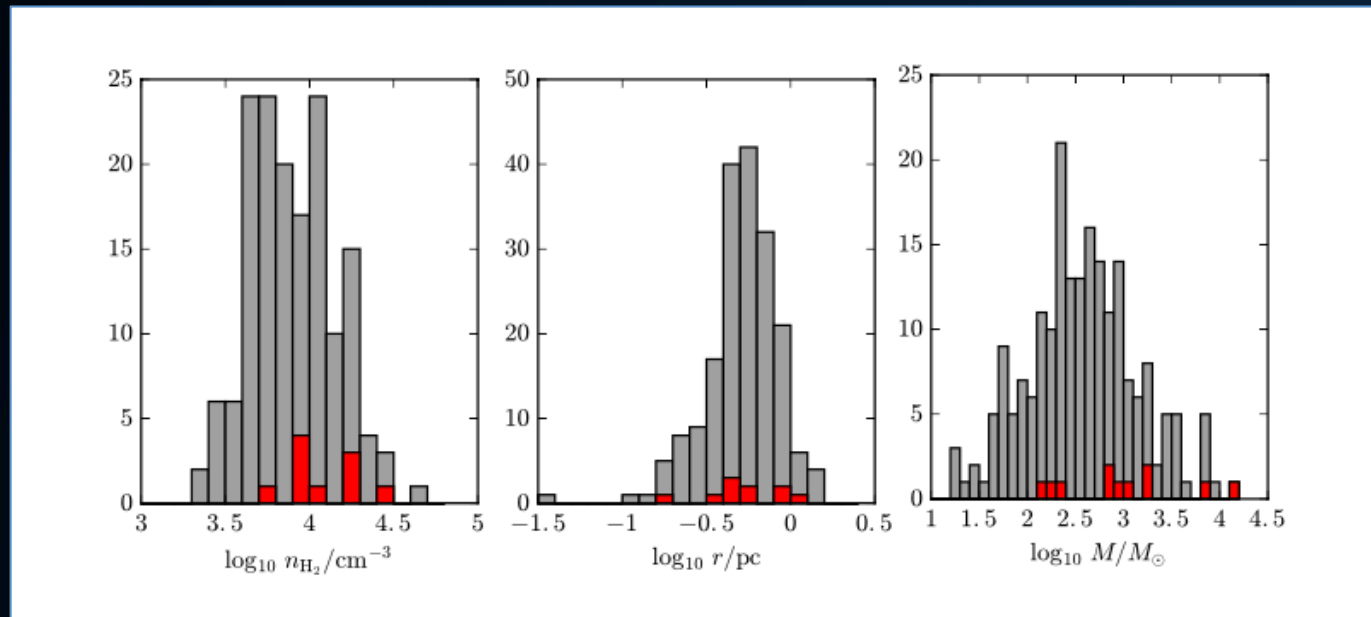
*Requenna-Torres+06, Ao+13, Ginsburg+16*



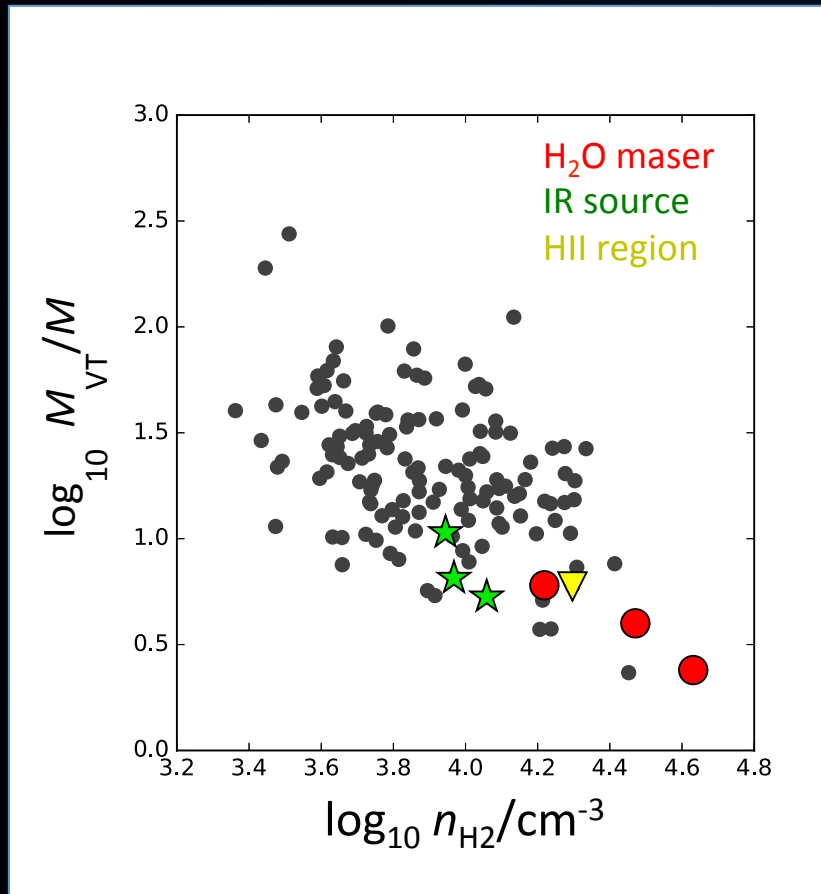


# Physical Condition & Star Formation

- Identified 206 clumps from the HCN4-3 map
- Investigated correlation among  $r$ ,  $dv$ ,  $M$ ,  $n_{\text{H}}$ , and  $T_{\text{kin}}$



# Principal Component & Linear Discrimination Analysis

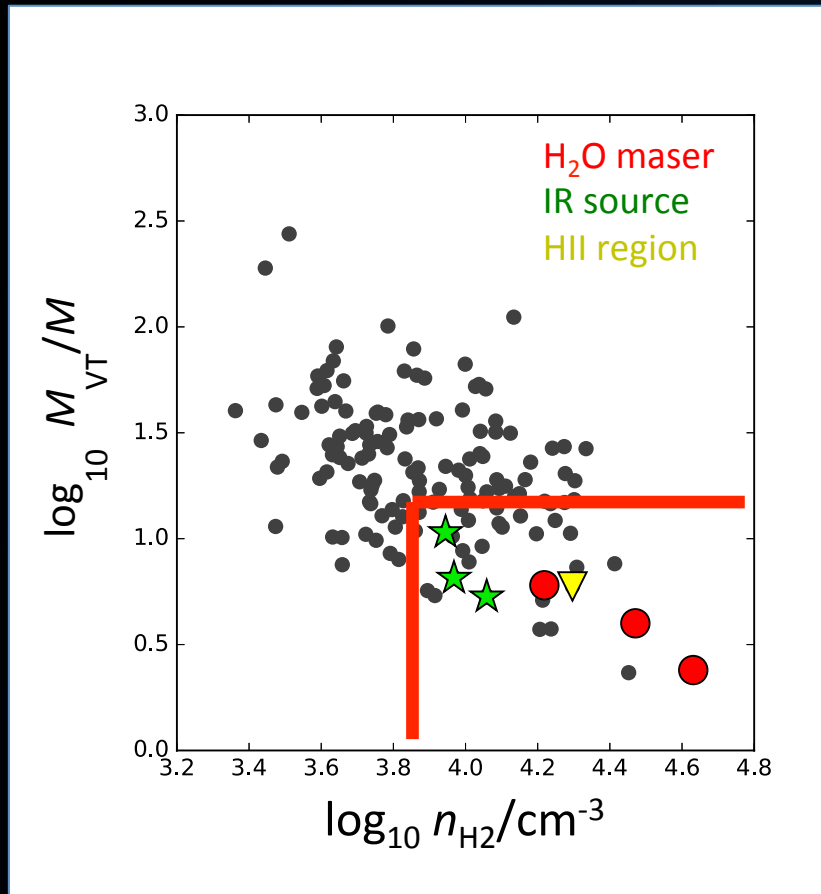


- Correlation 1: (PC5 = 0)

$$r \cdot \Delta v^{1.15} \cdot M^{-0.71} \cdot n_{H_2}^{0.42} = \text{Const.}$$

Virial parameter  $\alpha = r dv^2 M^{-1}$  or  
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# PCA & LDA results



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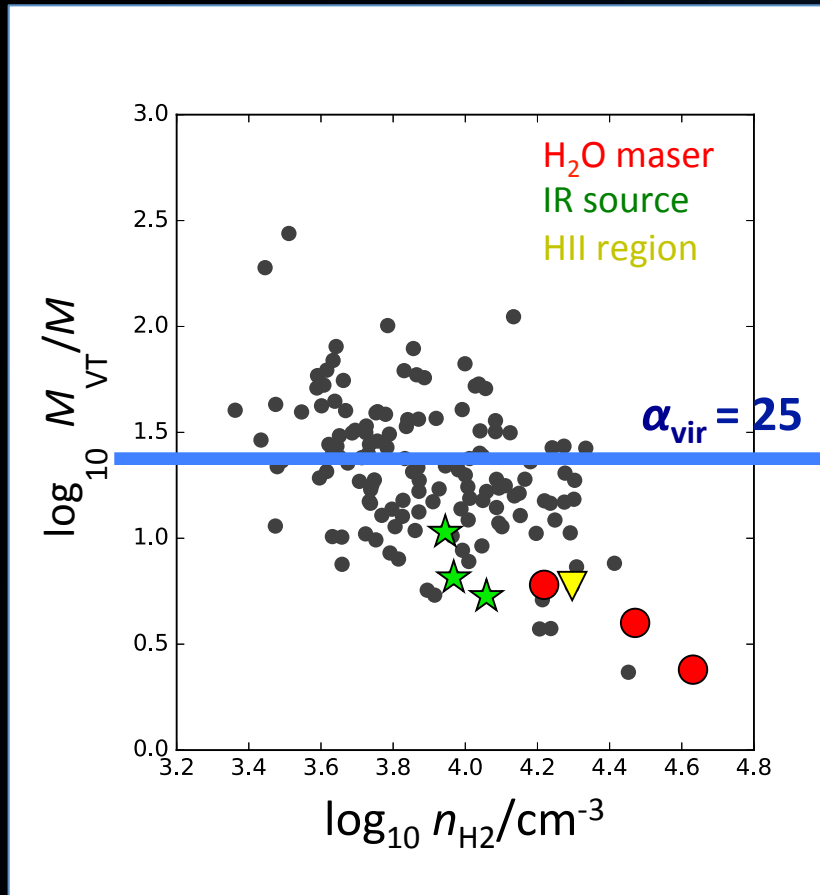
- Correlation 2:

$$r \cdot \Delta v^{2.70} \cdot M^{-1.28} \cdot n_{\text{H}_2}^{-1.57} \sim P(\text{SF})^{-1}$$

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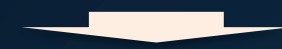
- Qualitatively consistent with turbulent regulated SF

*e.g. Krumholz+05*



$$\frac{n_{\text{th}}}{n_0} \sim \alpha_{\text{vir}} \cdot \mathcal{M}^2 \cdot (1 + \beta^{-1})^{-1}$$

- $n_{\text{th}}$  : threshold density
- $n_0$  : mean density  $\sim 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- $\mathcal{M}$  : Mach Number  $\sim 20$
- $\beta$  : plasma beta  $\sim 0.1$  ( $B=0.1 \text{ mG}$ )
- $\alpha_{\text{vir}}$  : virial parameter  $\sim 25$

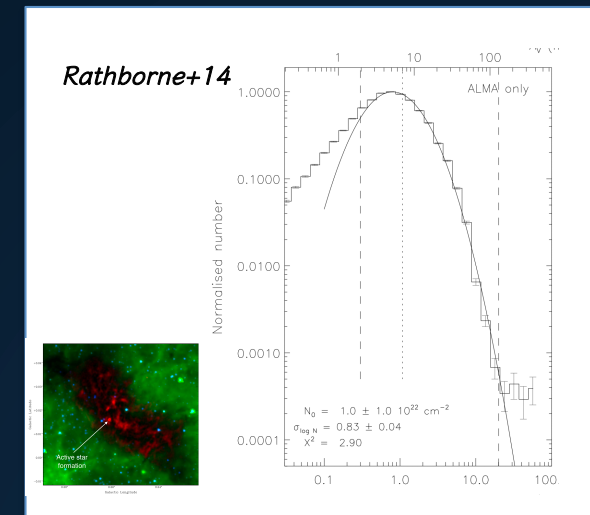


- $n_{\text{th}} = 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$   
( $10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  for disk)
- critical overdensity factor  $\sim 10^3$   
( $10^2$  for disk)

Reason of the low SFE in GC: GC clouds are not dense enough to form stars against strong turbulent pressure support

# Potential Application of this Analysis

- Higher resolution analysis using ALMA data
  - density measurement of  $< 0.1$  pc scale resolution data
  - Volume density PDF, detection of high density cores
- Application for extragalactic SF region



## Summary

- Volume density distribution in 3-D (2-D in space + 1-D in velocity) space is calculated for the MW's central molecular zone
- New method using Hierarchical Bayesian Analysis is adopted for volume density measurement
- Effects of shocks on the thermal balance and molecular chemistry are confirmed
- Clumps with low virial parameter / high volume density tend to have higher probability of having SF signatures
- **GC clumps are not dense** enough to form stars against strong turbulent pressure support