

# Star-formation in the (Early) Universe

a.k.a.

My Decade-long Quest to Learn about SMGs

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# **Appetizer**

*Submillimeter Galaxies*

## **Mezze**

*Innovations*

## **Entree**

*Interperting SMG Surveys*

*Disentangling Multiplets*

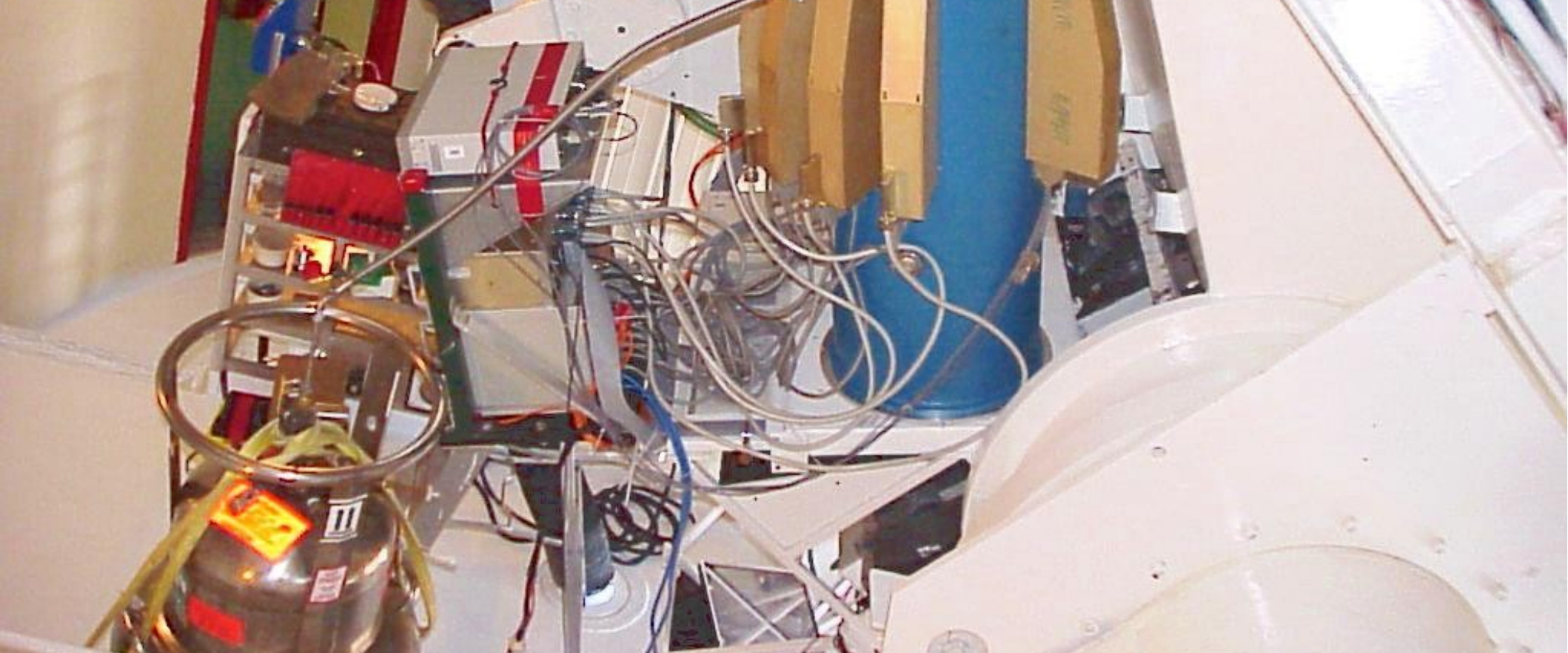
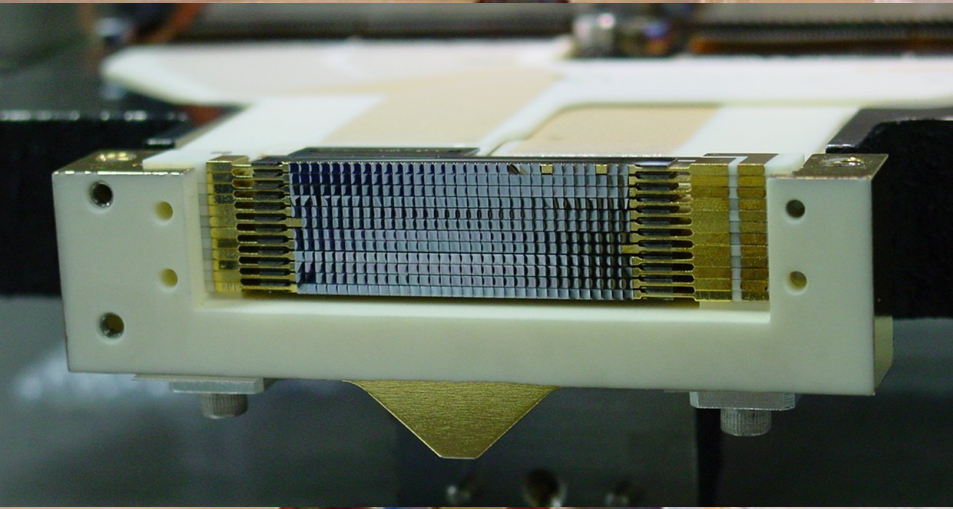
*FIR Characterizations*

*Dust SED Models*

## **Dessert**

*Looking to the Future...*

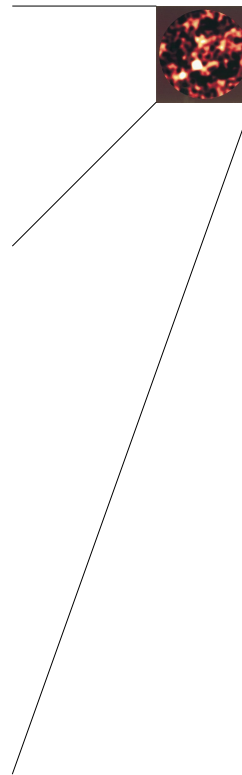
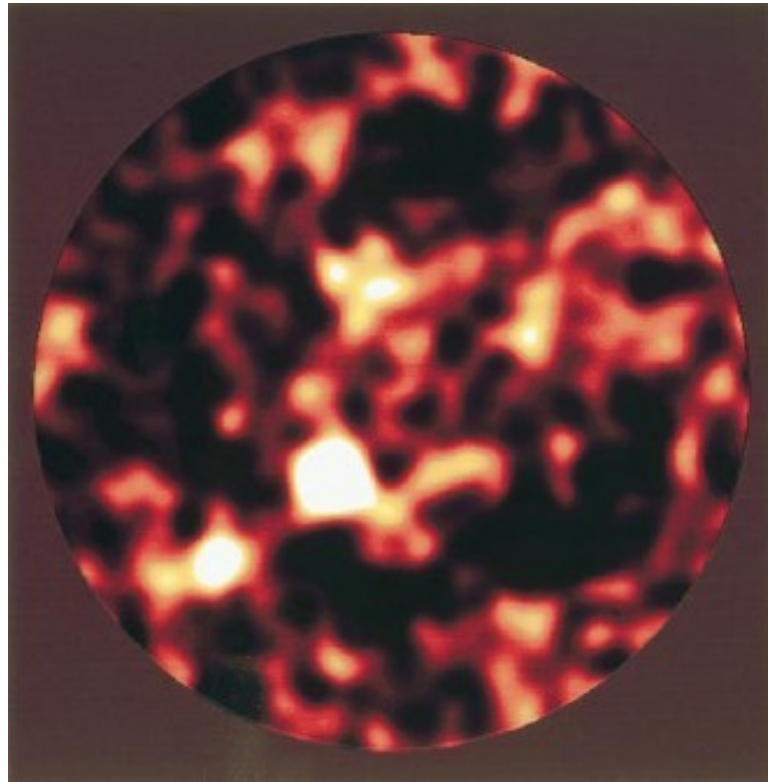
# SHARC-2



# Submillimeter Galaxies (SMGs)

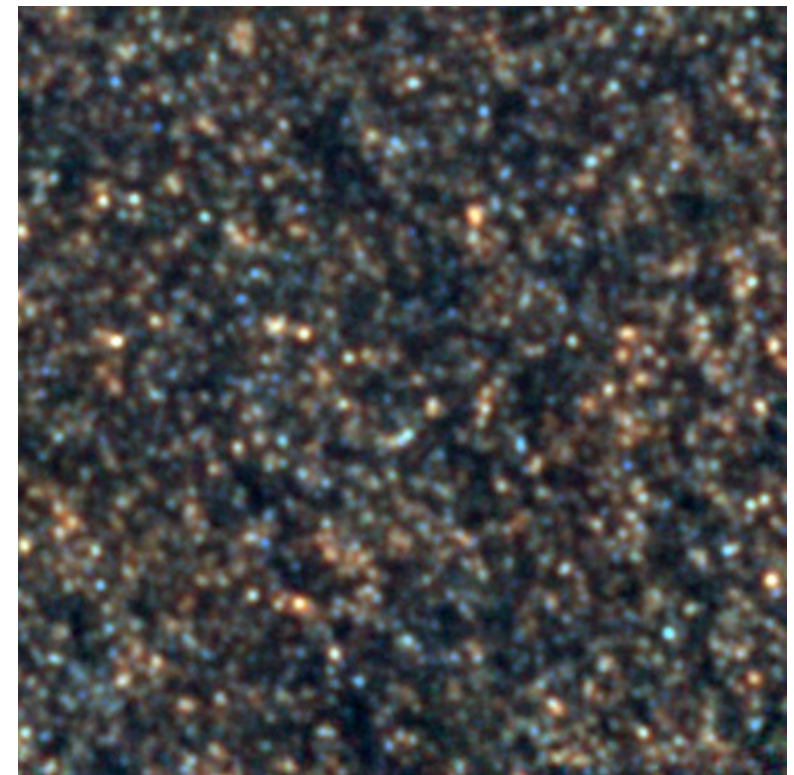
1998

The First Detections

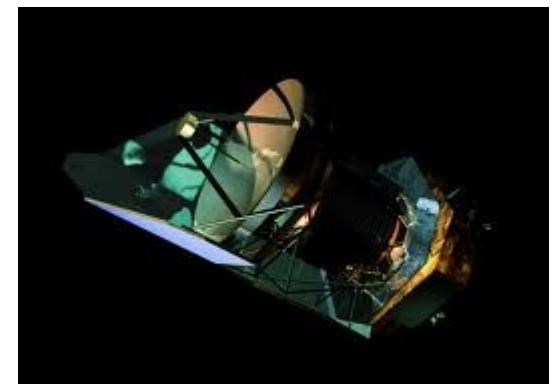


2011

~300,000 SMGs

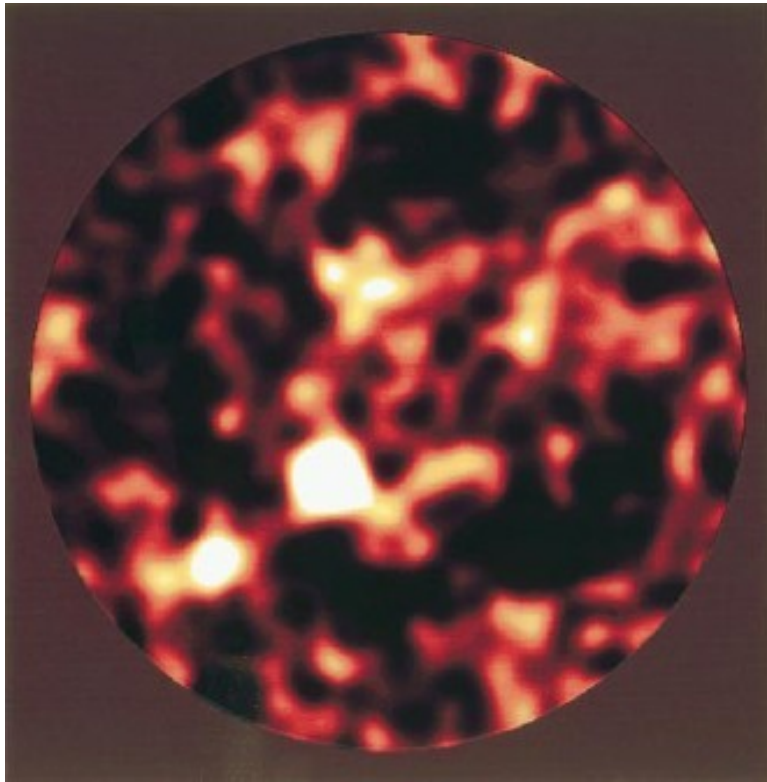


Hughes et al. 1998

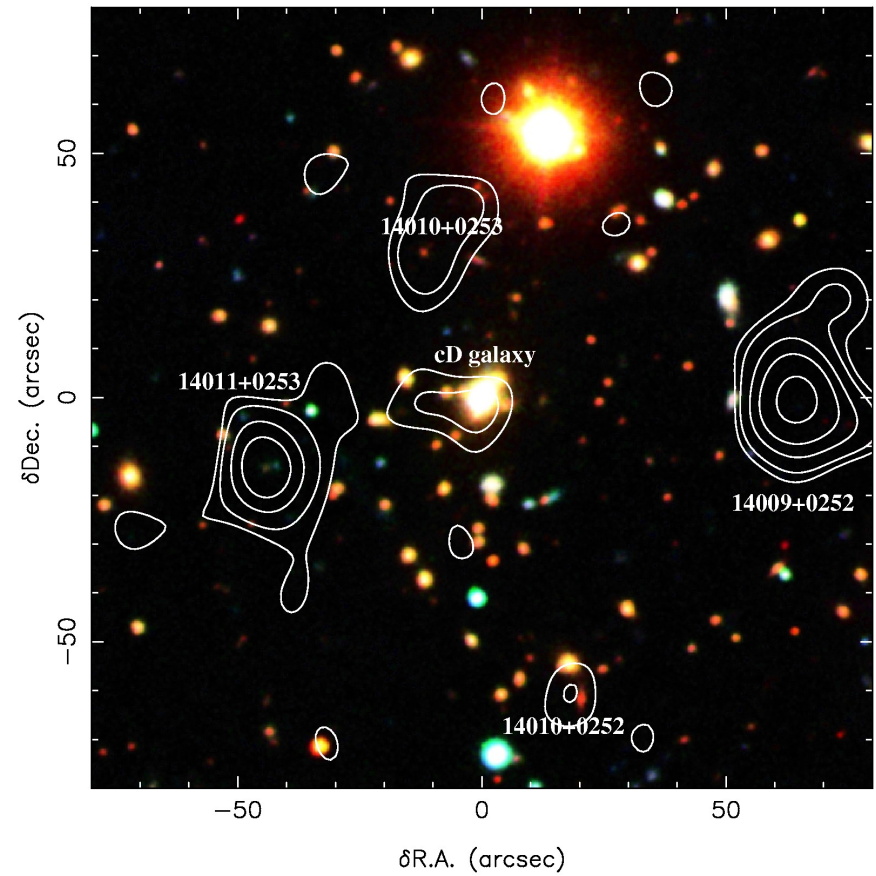


# Submillimeter Galaxies (SMGs)

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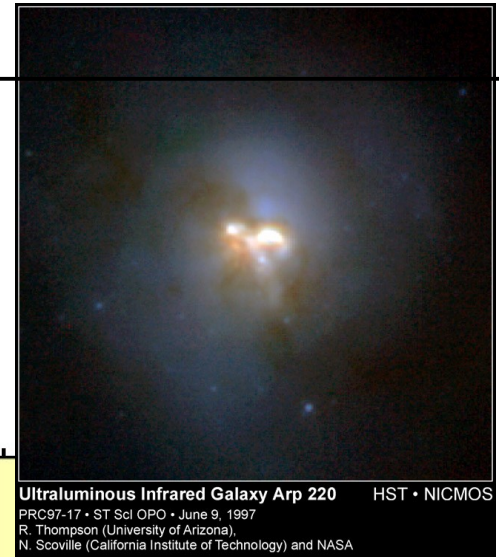
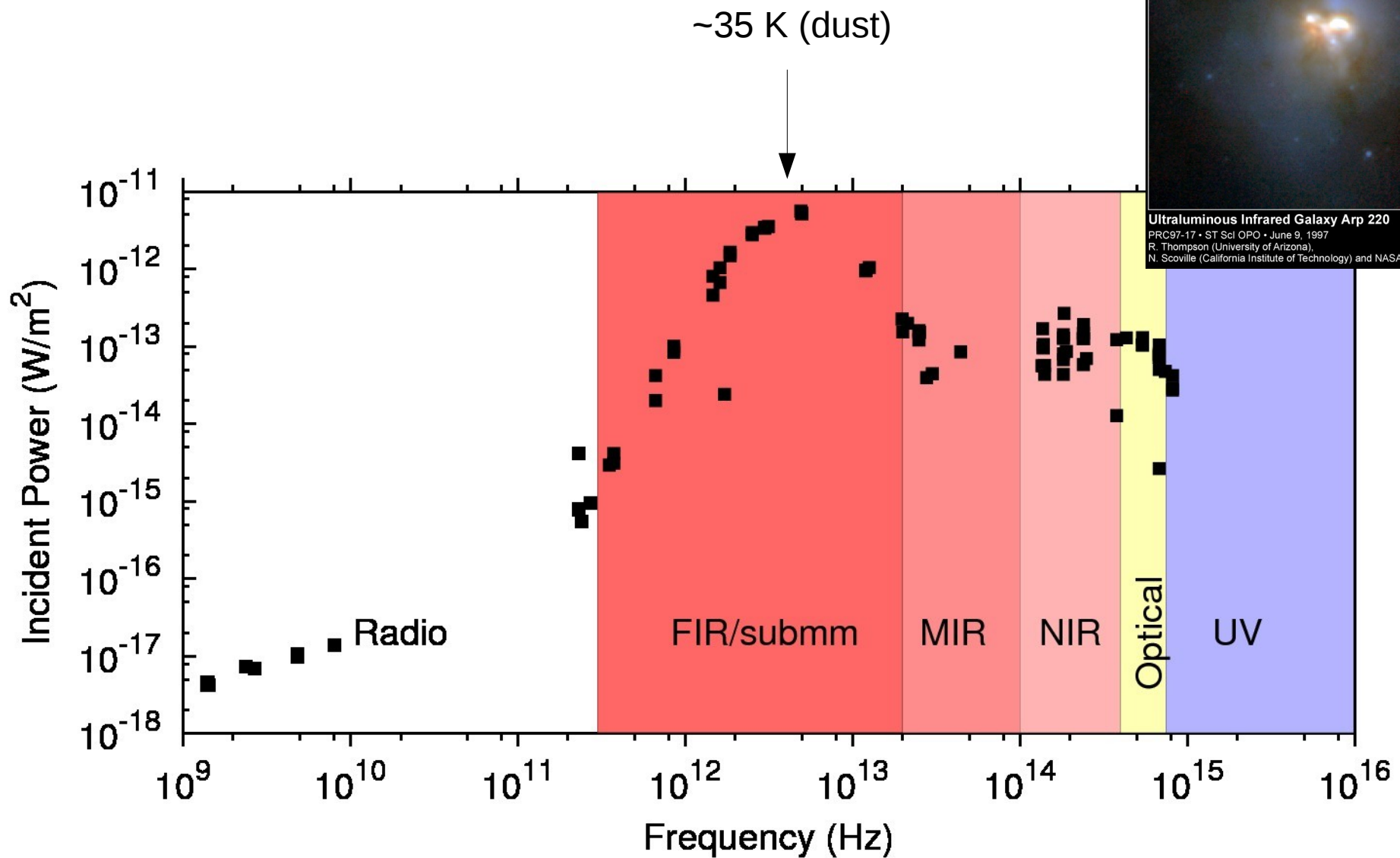
Hughes et al. 1998  
in Nature!!!



**Too many optical counterparts  
Or none at al...**

# Arp 220

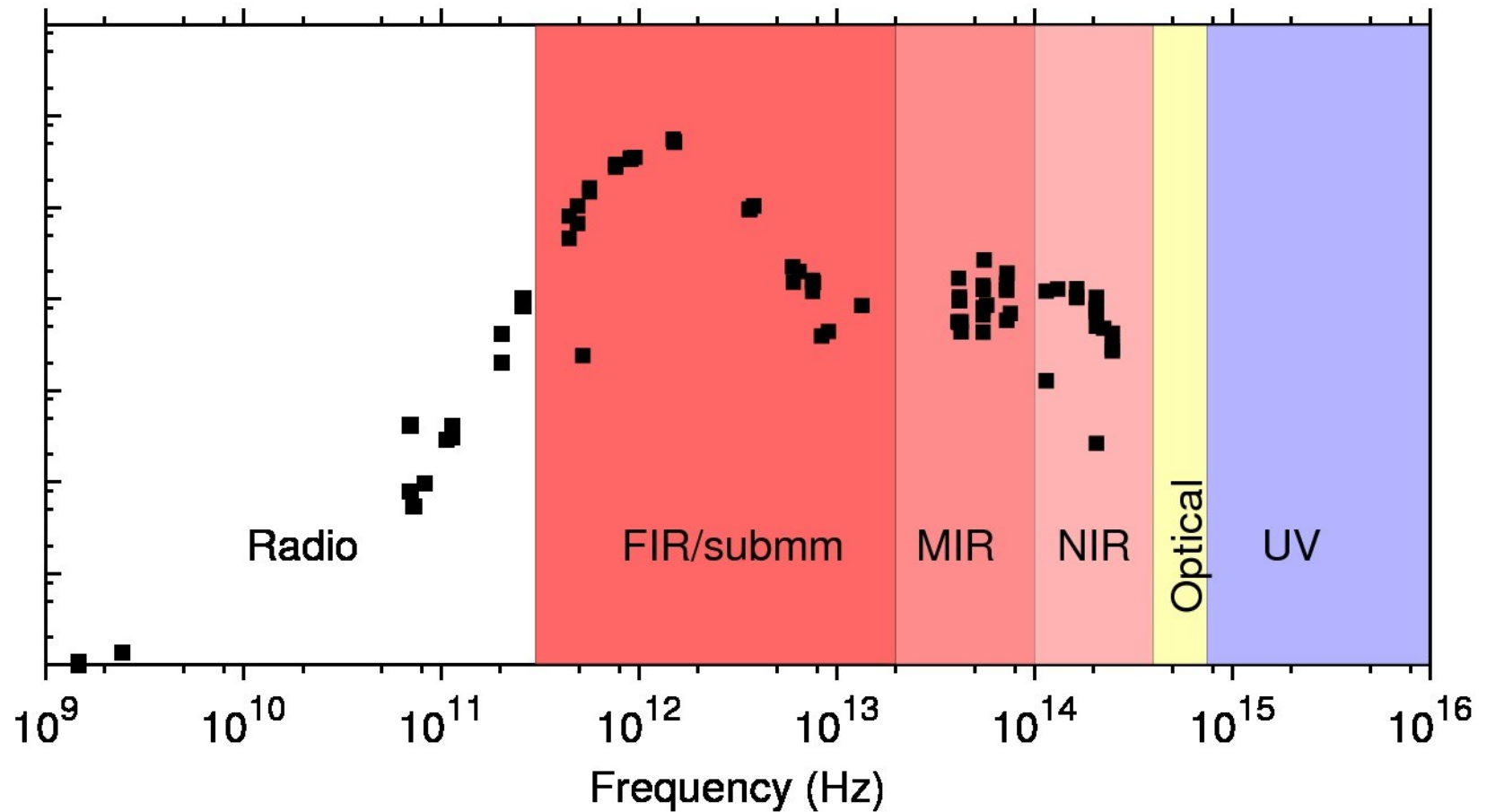
## The Energy Spectrum of a Luminous Galaxy



Milky Way FIR fraction is about 50%, T~16K

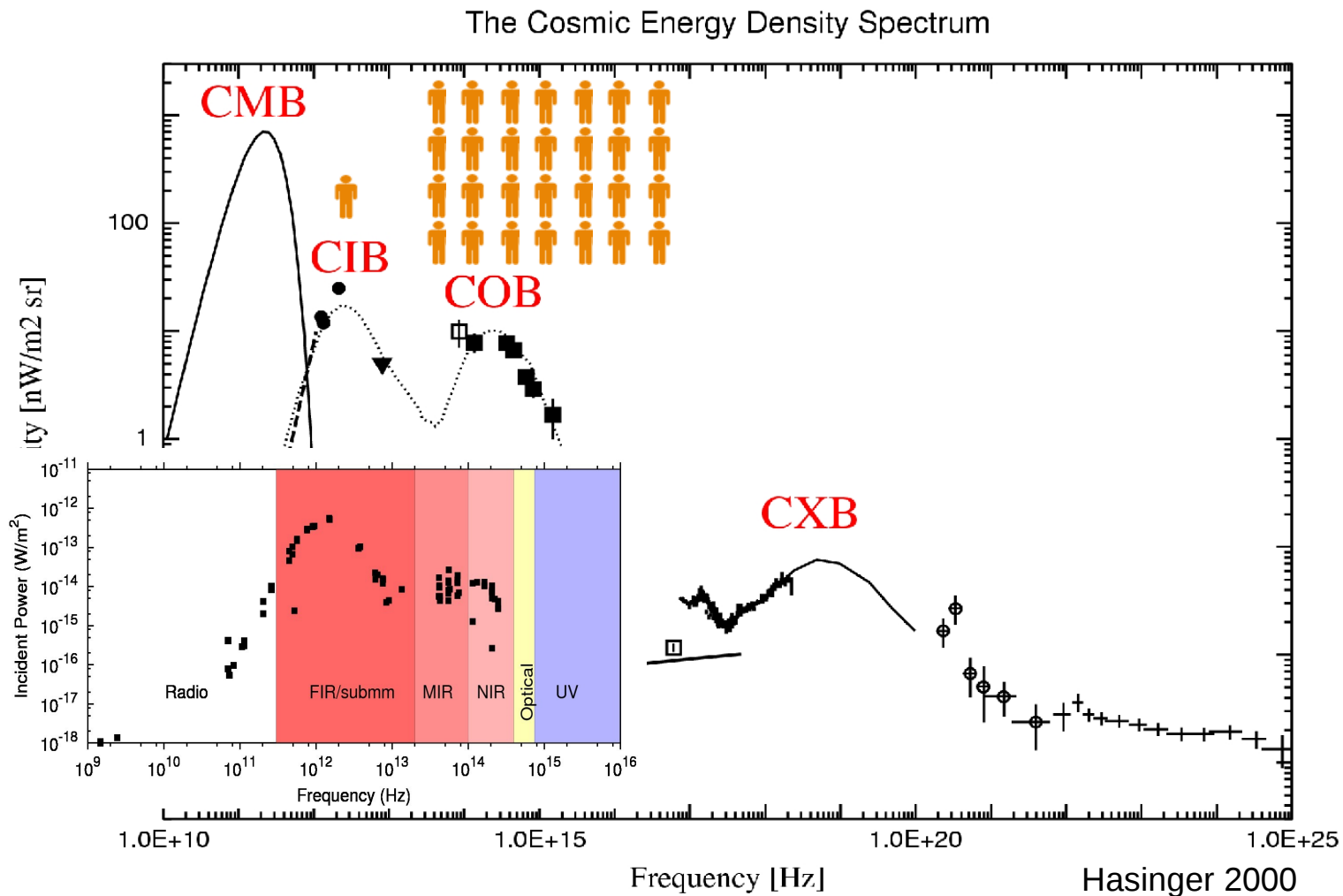
# Arp 220 at $z=2.3$

The Energy Spectrum of a Distant Luminous Galaxy?



FIR/submm is great for studying distant populations!

# The Cosmic Background



Infrared background is due to such star-forming galaxies....

SMGs account for the bulk of the star-formation in the Universe



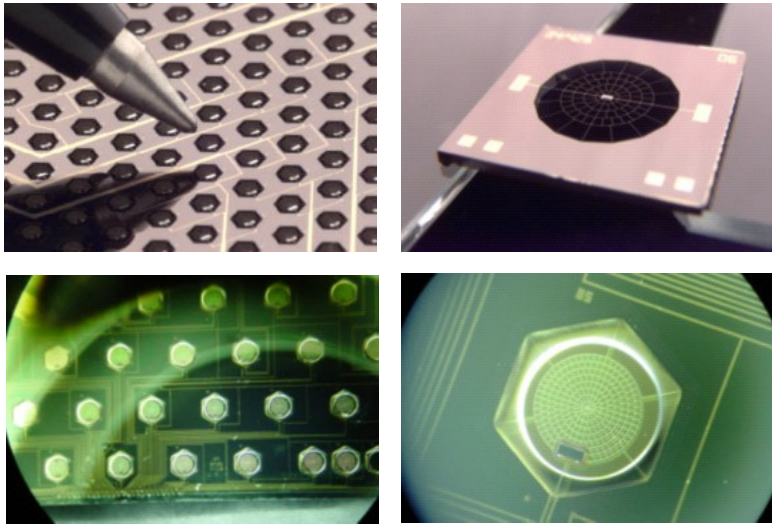
# Essential Technologies

*Total-power bolometers*

*Scanning strategies*

*Data reduction*

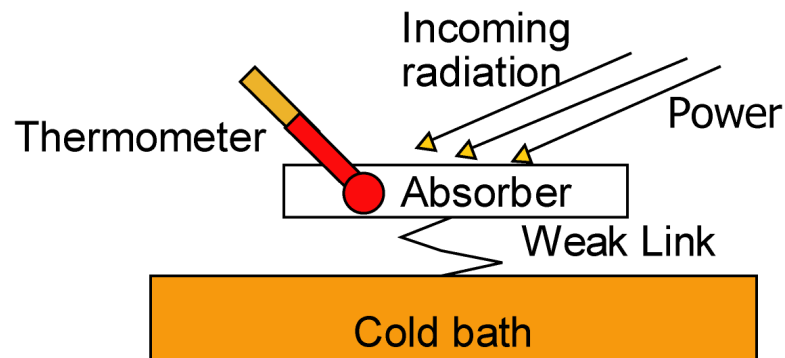
# The challenges of ground-based observing



A Galaxy far far away...  
(10 Gly, 35K)



atmosphere  
(300K)

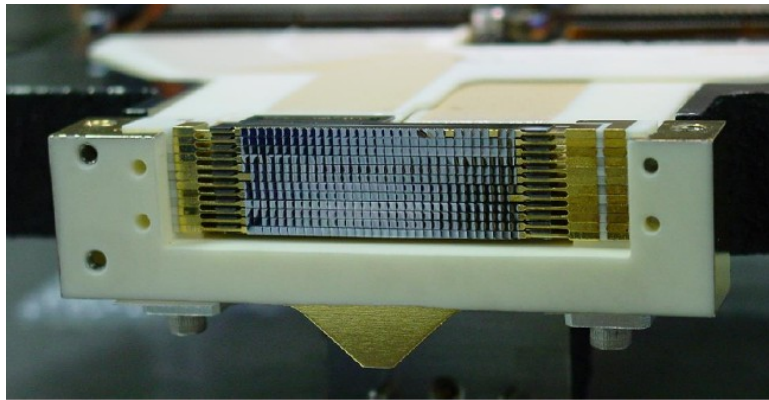


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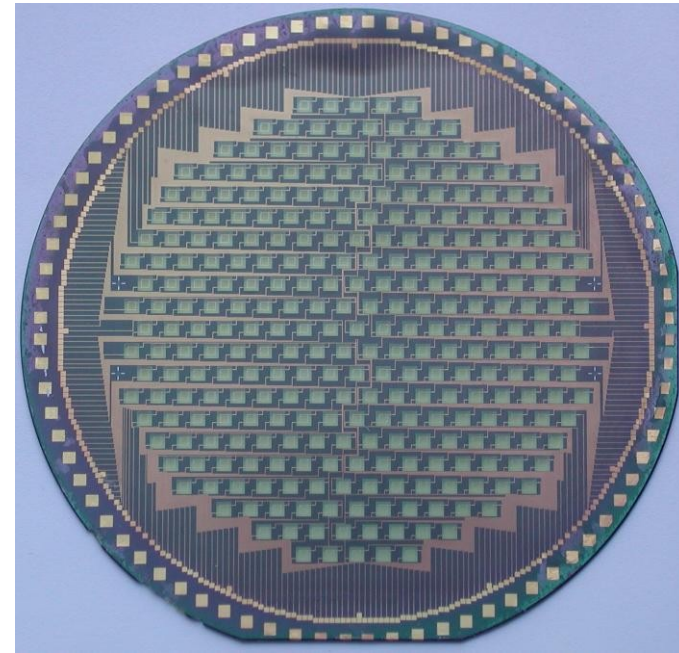
Unstable gain/noise

Microphonics

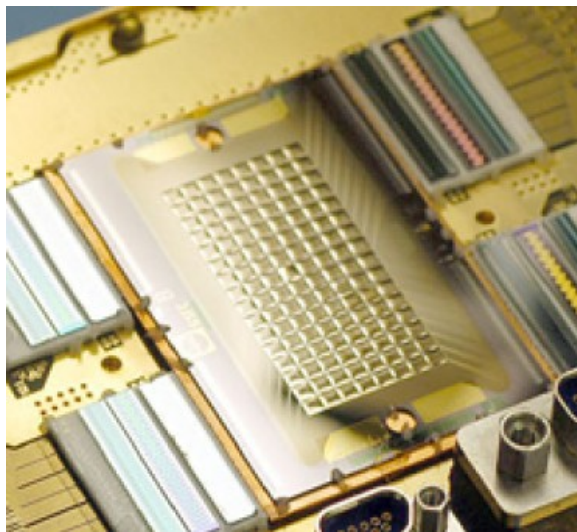
EM pickup



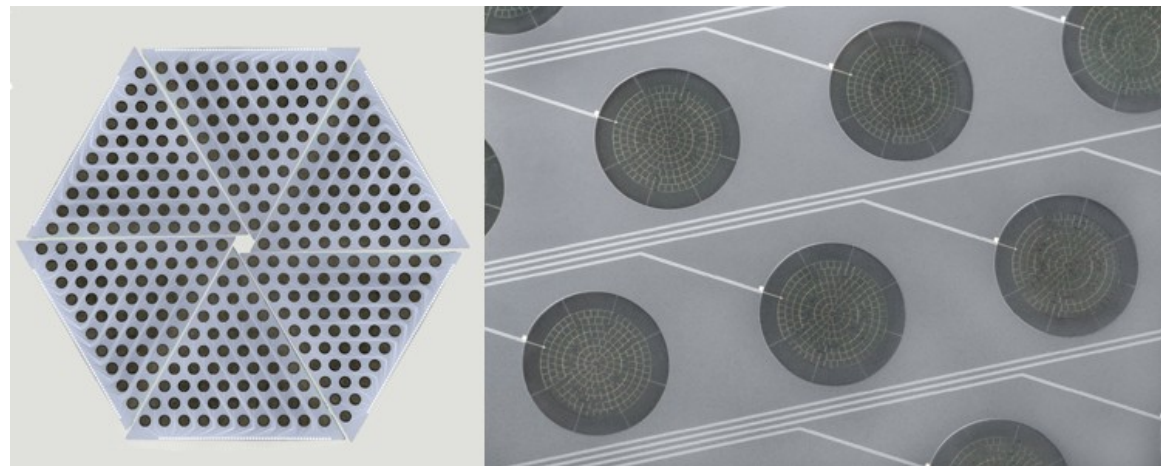
**SHARC-2** (350um)



**LABOCA** (870um)



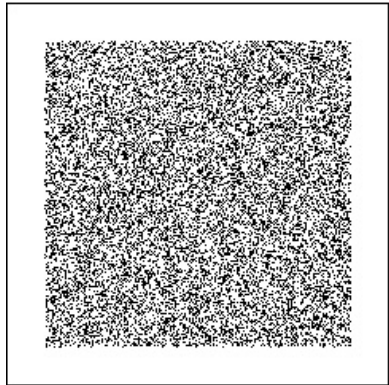
**GISMO** (2mm)



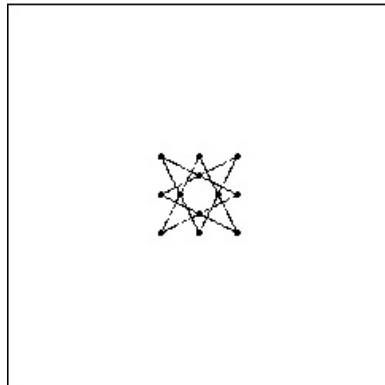
**ASZCA** (2mm)

## Pattern Gallery

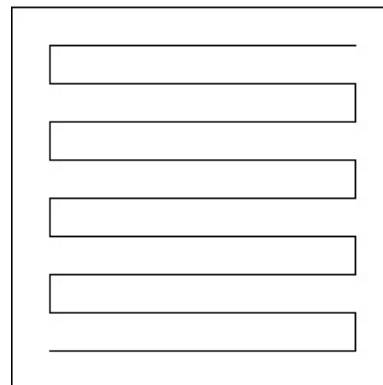
random



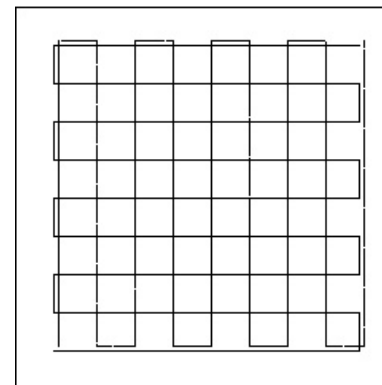
DREAM



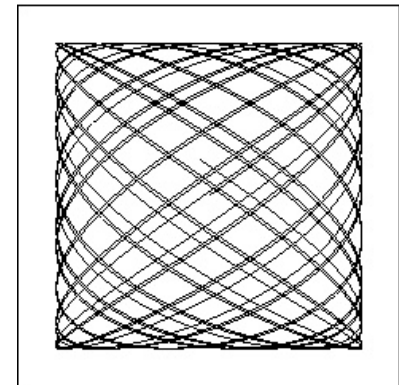
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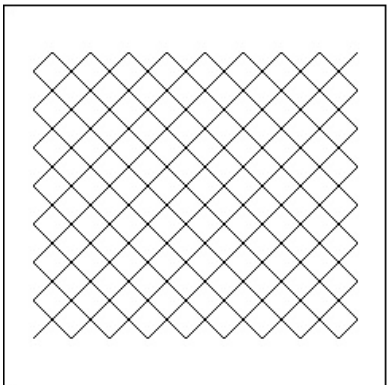
OTF  
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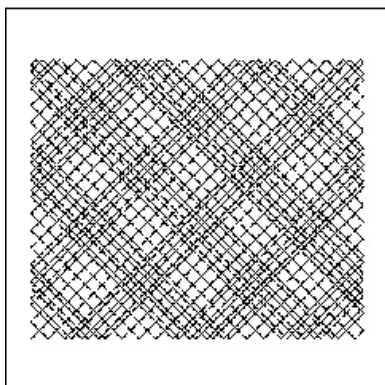
Lissajous



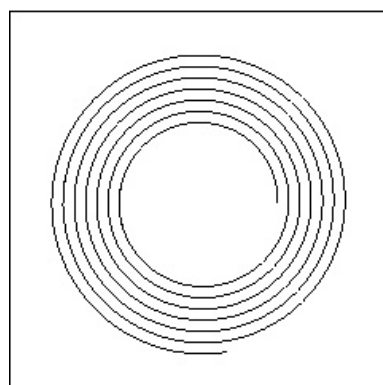
Billiard (closed)



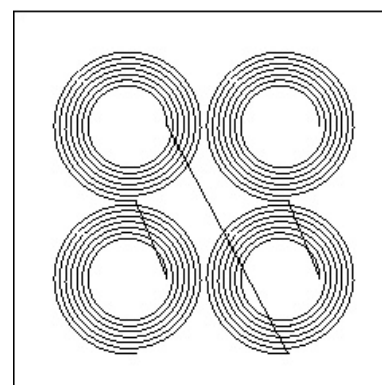
Billiard (open)



spiral



raster-spiral

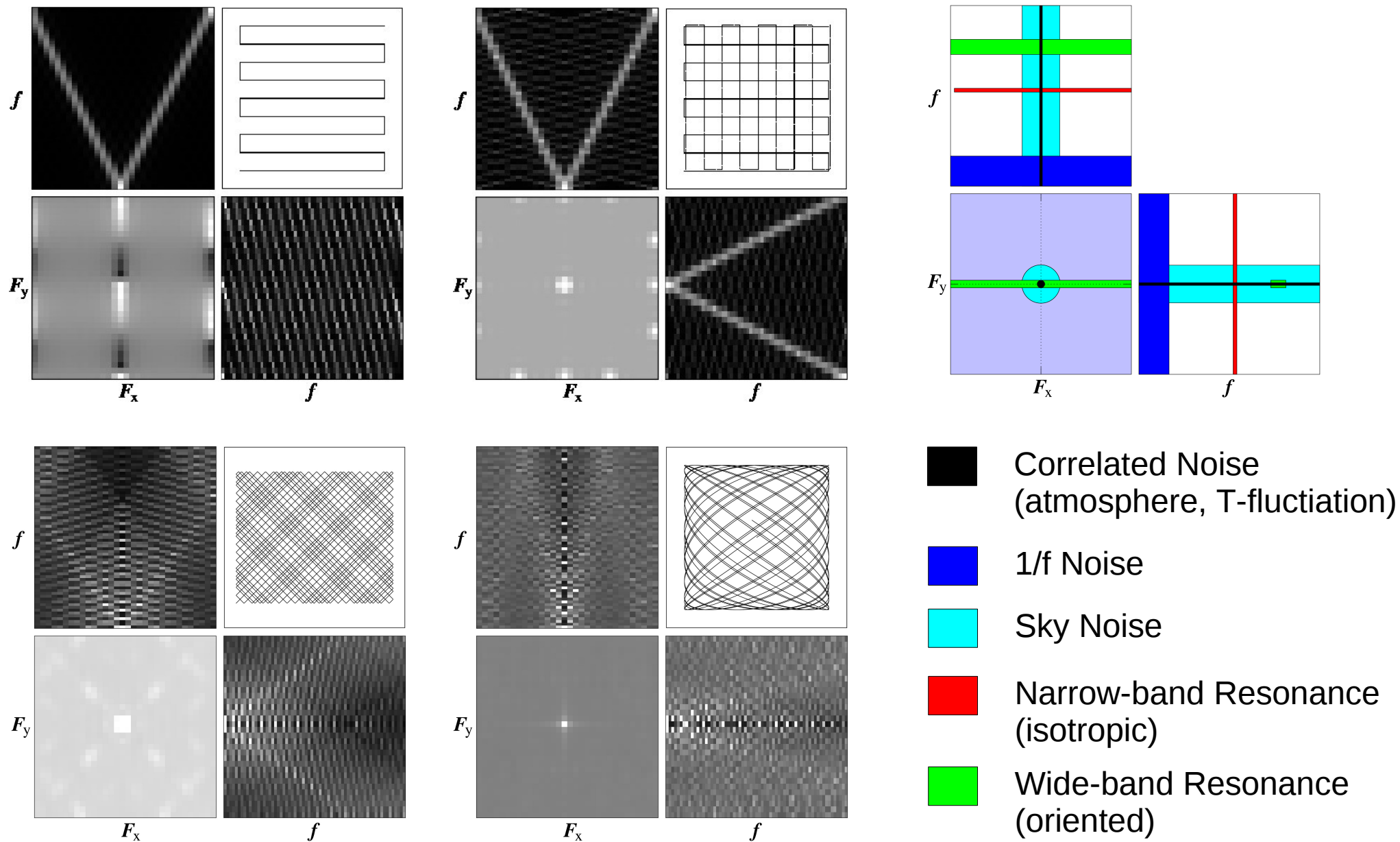


... and other  
patterns...

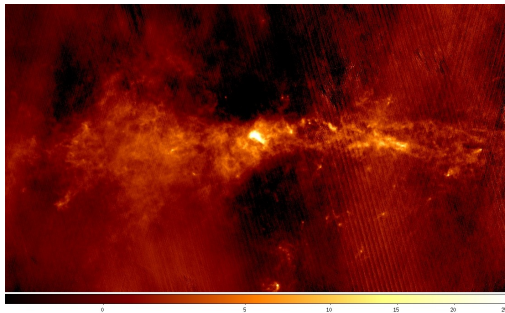
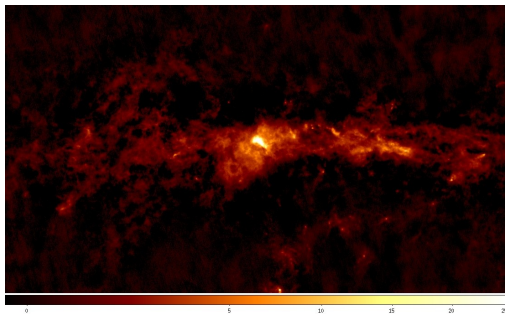
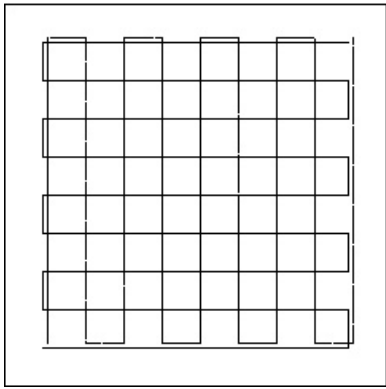
What is your  
favourite?

<http://www.submm.caltech.edu/~sharc/scanning/>

## *Spectral Dispersion (noise resistance)*

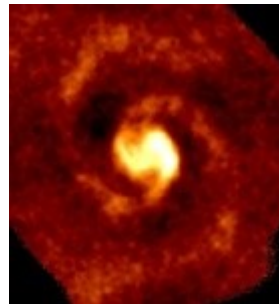
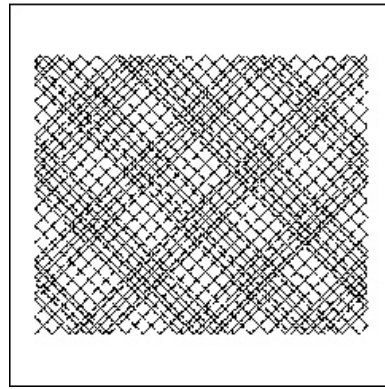


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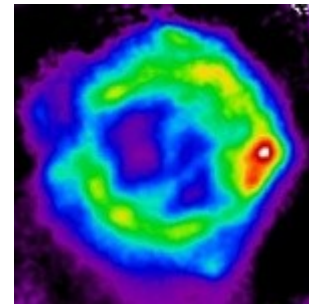
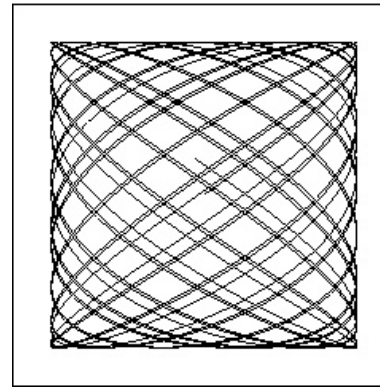
LABOCA  
GISMO

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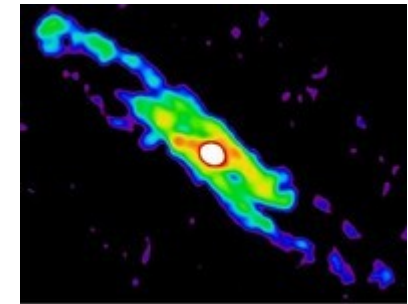
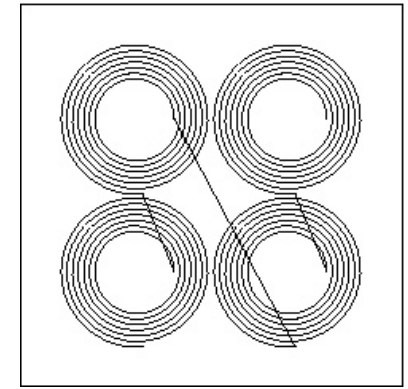
SHARC-2  
SCUBA-2

Lissajous



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LABOCA, SABOCA

raster-spiral



LABOCA, SABOCA

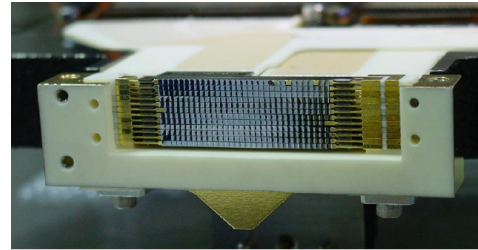
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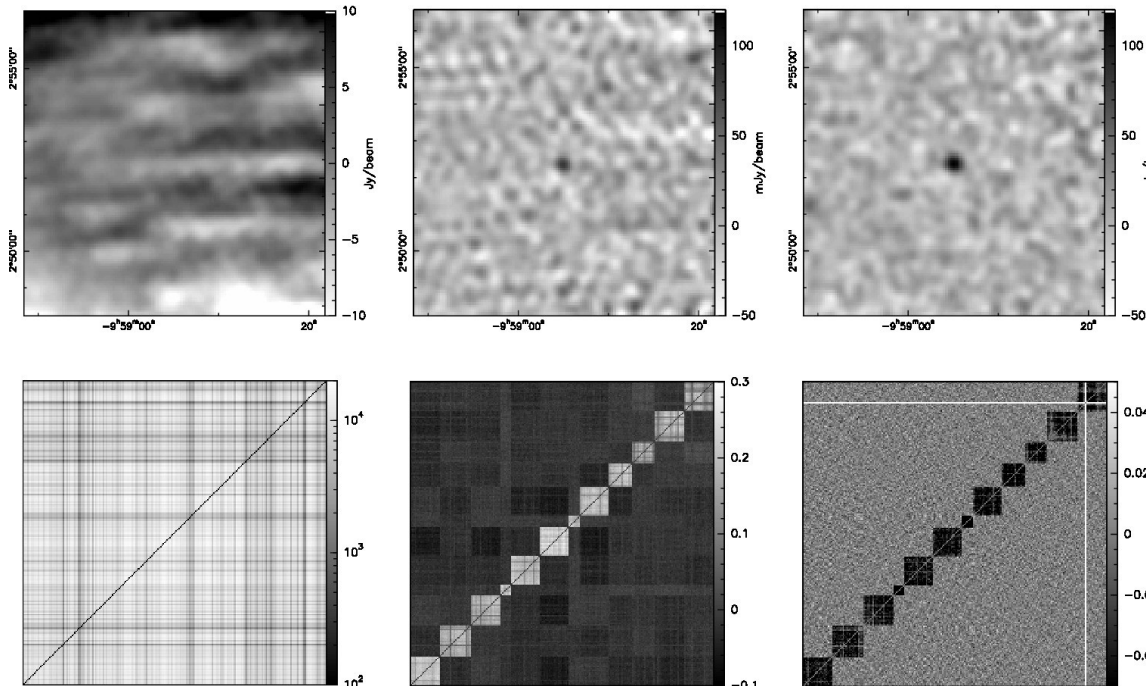
Microphonics

EM pickup

Glitches



SHARC-2 (350um)



100 Jy



Correlated Sky & Gains



Noise Whitening (delayed)

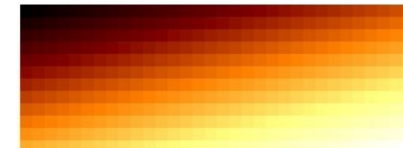
Detector Weights

Time Weights

Despiking

Sky Gradients

10 Jy

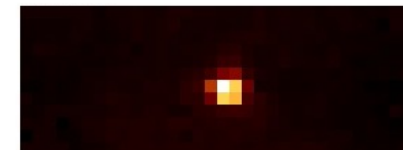


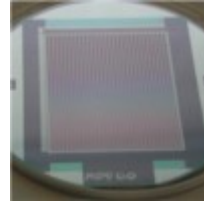
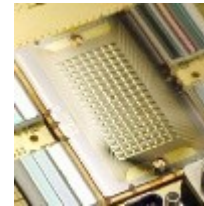
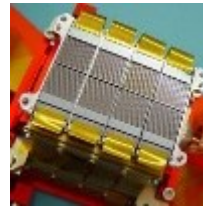
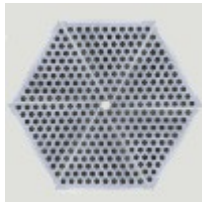
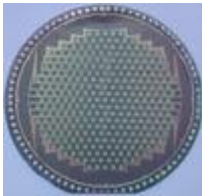
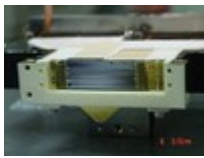
Bias Drifts



Source

5 Jy





**SHARC-2**

**LABOCA**

**SABOCA**

**ASZCA**

**p-ArTeMiS**

**PolKa**

**GISMO**

**SCUBA-2**

350um

870um

350um

2mm

200um

870um  
polarimetry

2mm

450um

CSO  
(2003)

APEX  
(2007)

APEX  
(2008)

APEX  
(2006)

350um

450um

APEX  
(2011)

APEX  
(2010)

IRAM  
(2008+)

JCMT  
(2010+)

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**sharcsolve**

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**BoA**

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**SMURF**

Easily expandable to more instruments...

... and different data types

(e.g. spectral scanning, heterodyne arrays, interferometry?)



# Entree

*Interpreting SMG Surveys*

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# A Larger, Deeper Survey of Submillimeter Galaxies

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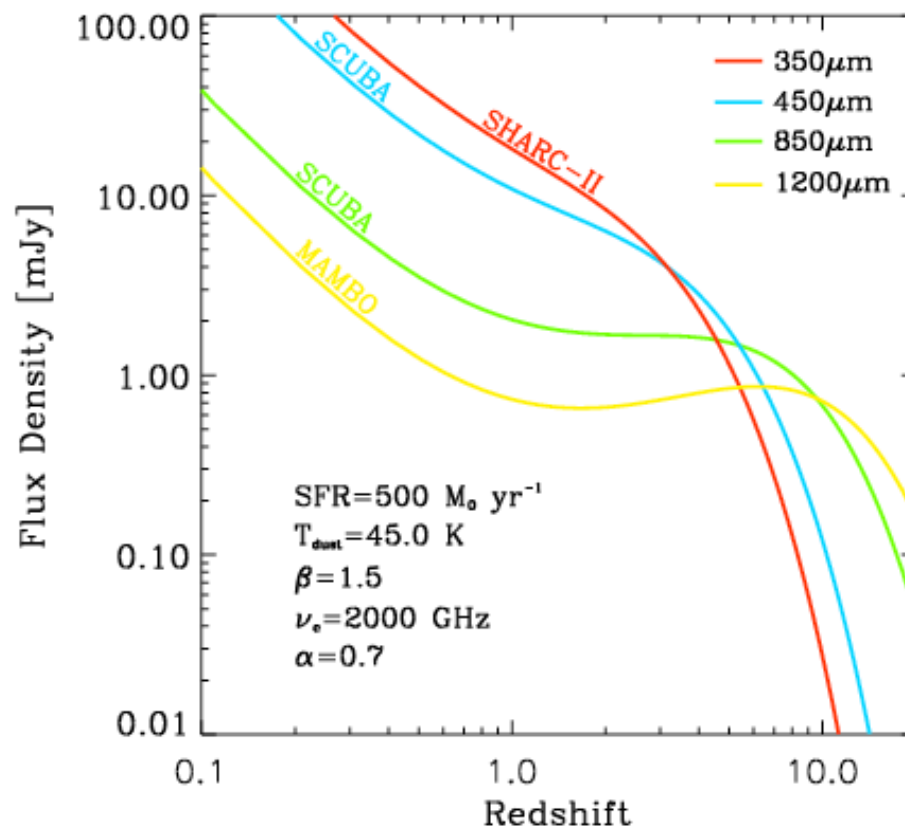
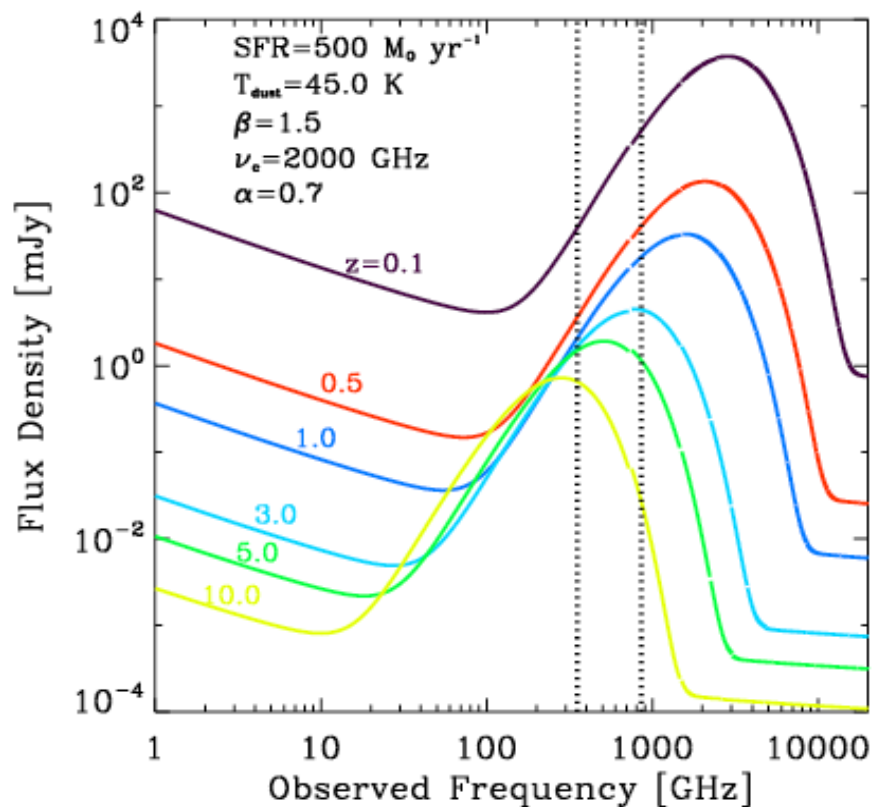
**Axel Weiss**

MPIfR

I. Smail, K. Coppin, F. Walter, T. Greve  
et al.



# K-Correction Benefits...

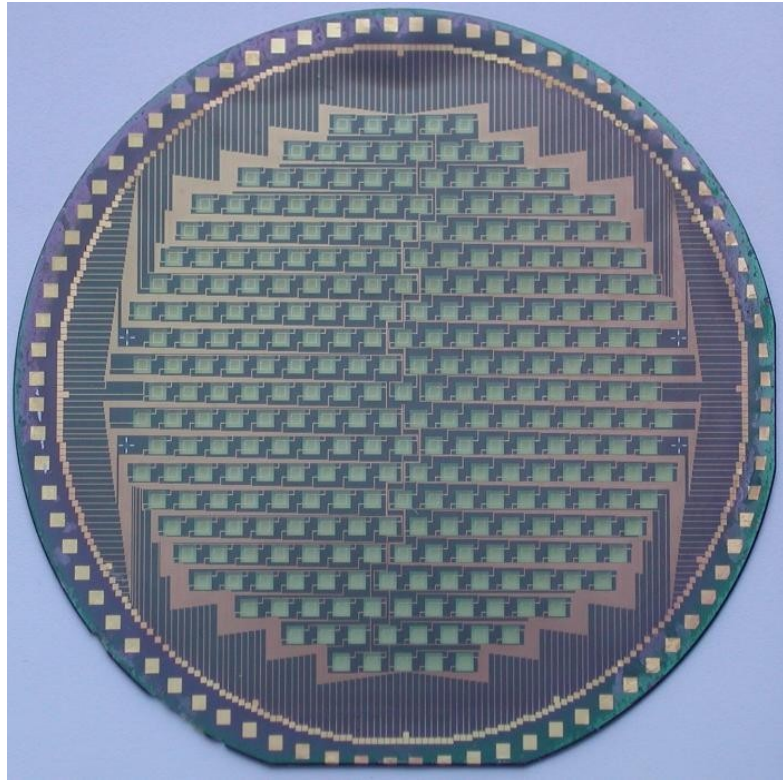


T. Greve

850 micron is equally sensitive to the *same* galaxy at  $z \sim 1-10$ ...  
(the shorter wavelengths less so...)

# LABOCA

(Large Bolometer Camera)



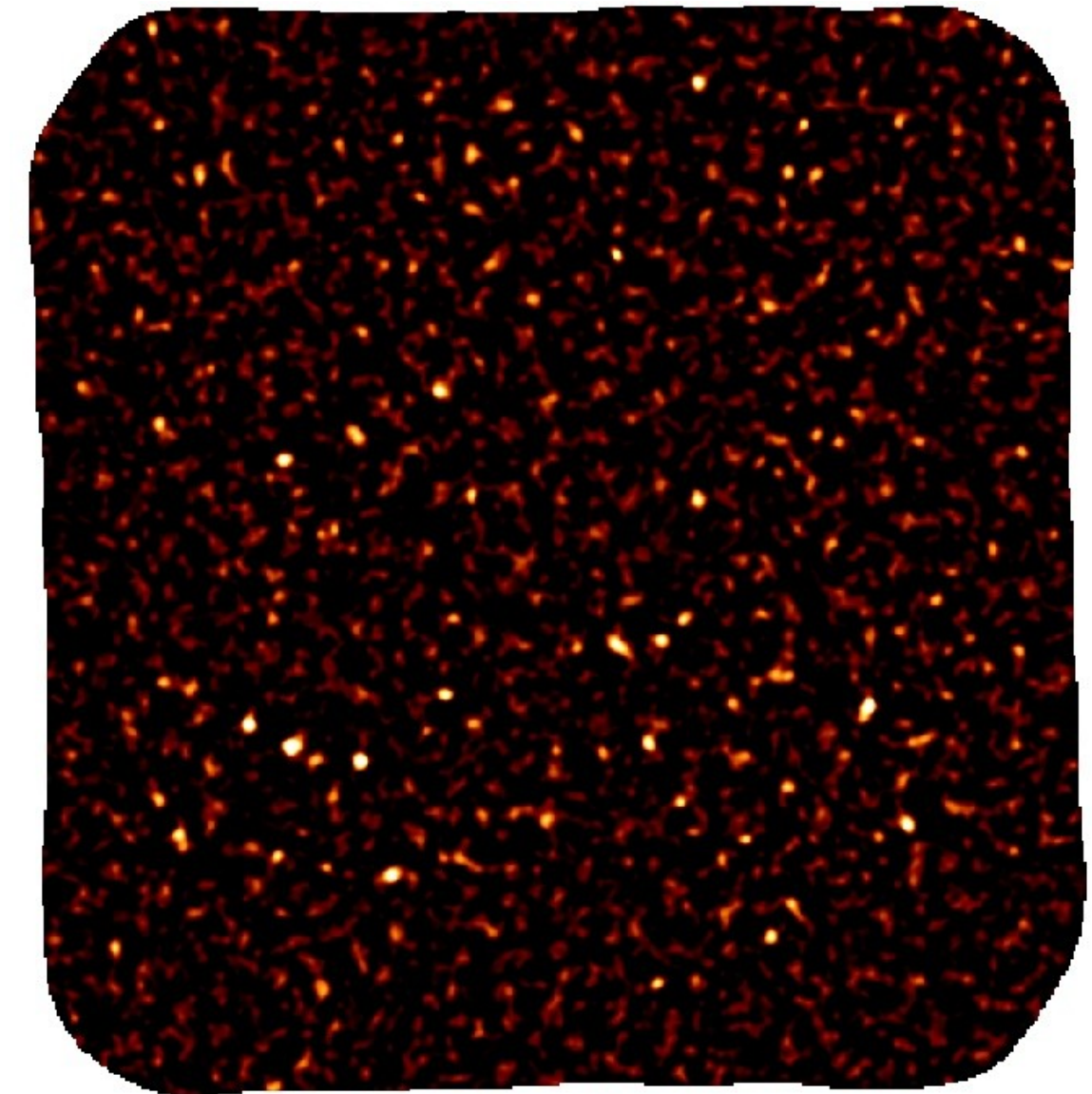
Siringo et al. 2009

**295 pixels**

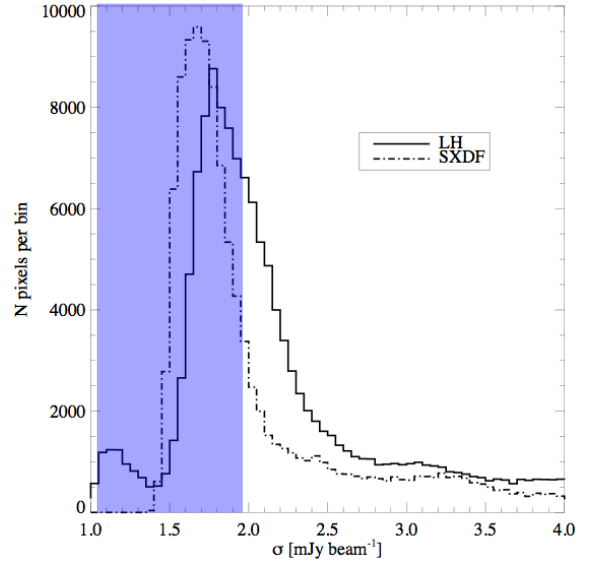
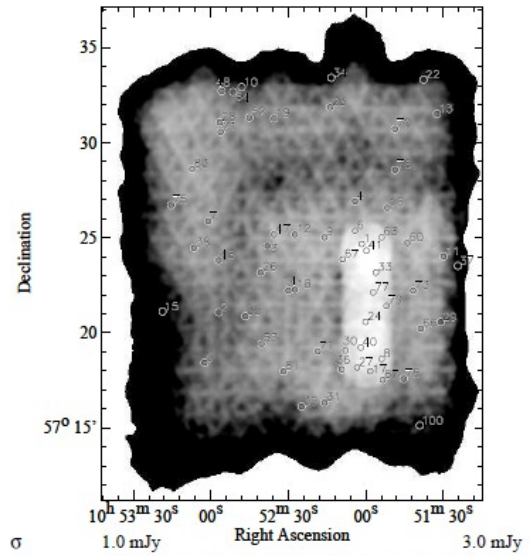
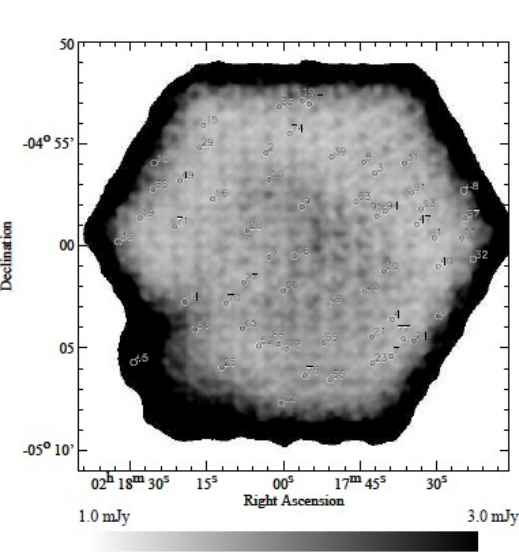
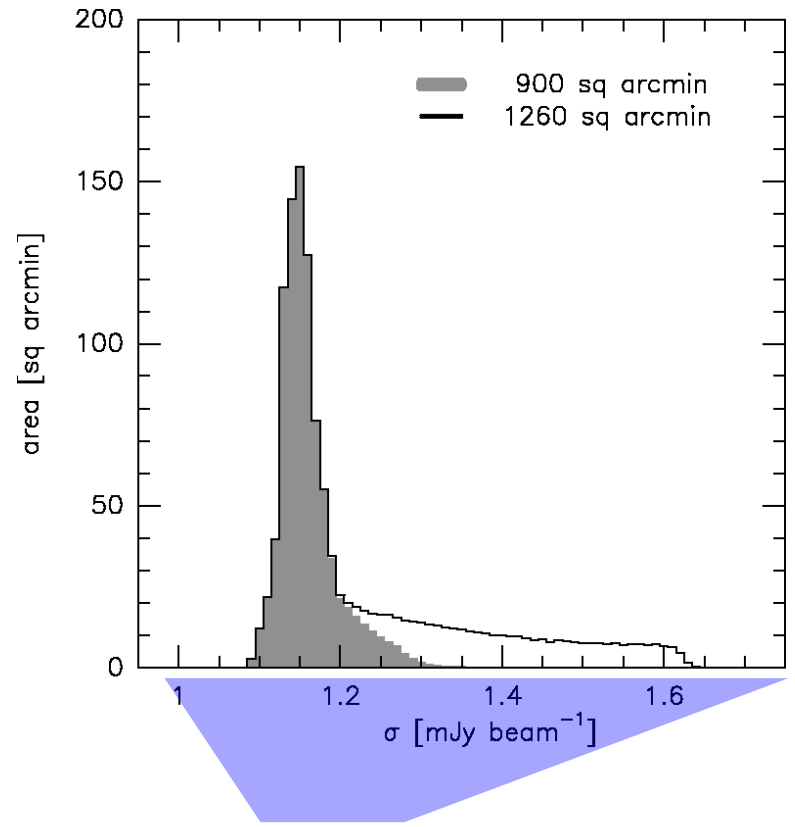
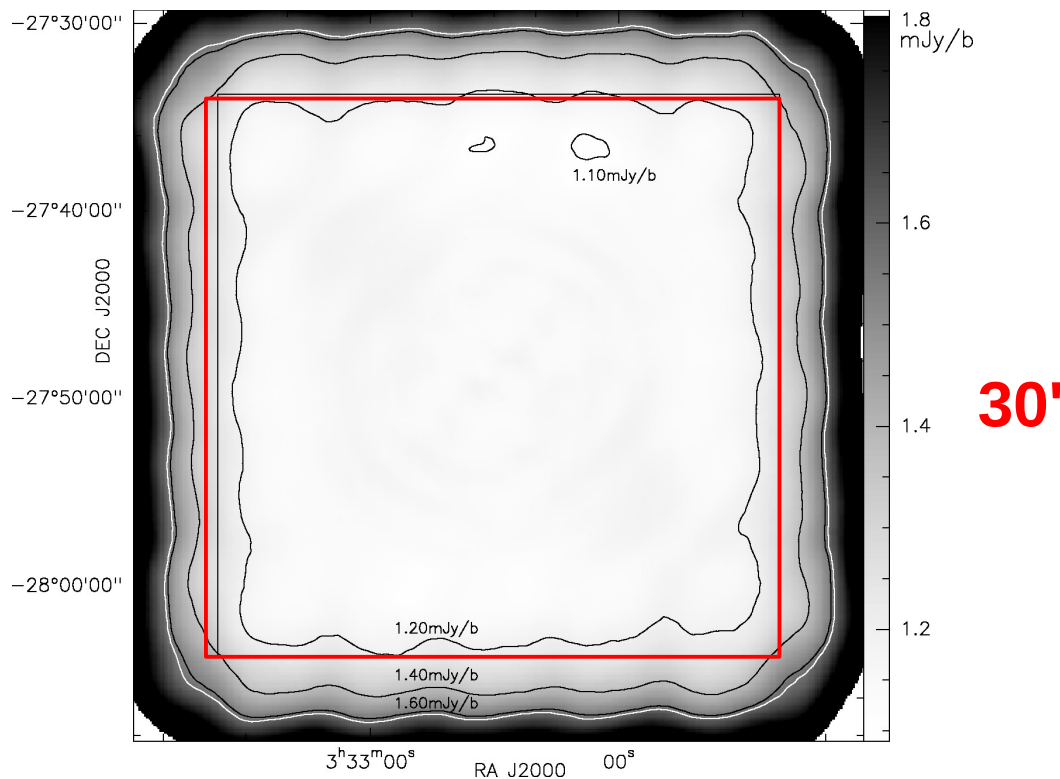
**(870um)**



300 hours  
19" beam  
(27" smoothed)  
1.2 mJy/beam  
125 sources  
(5 false)



mJy/beam



# How (Not) to Get Source Counts...

The “Direct” Method...

Luminosity  
Function

Evolution (color)

(*z*-Distribution)

Stellar Analogy:

IMF

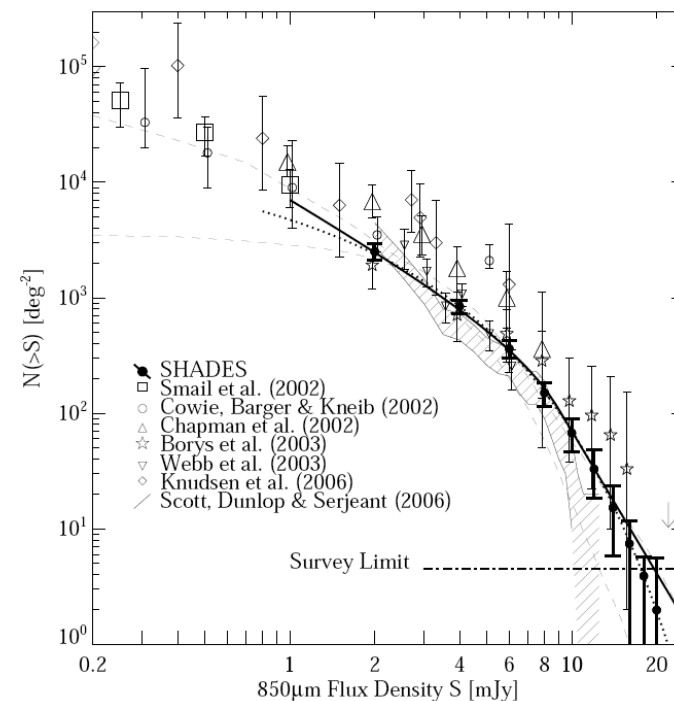
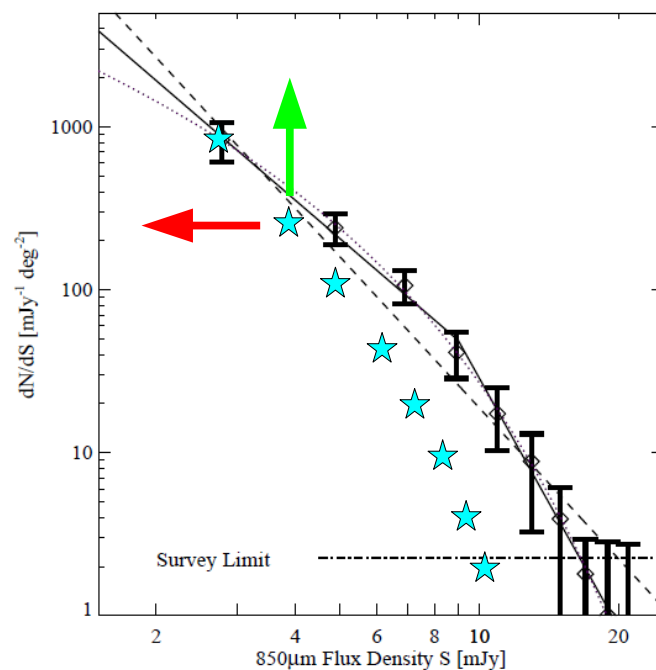
1. Bin your source  
brightnesses

2. **Deboost** with

$$p(S) = \frac{\partial N}{\partial S}$$

3. **Completeness**  
correction

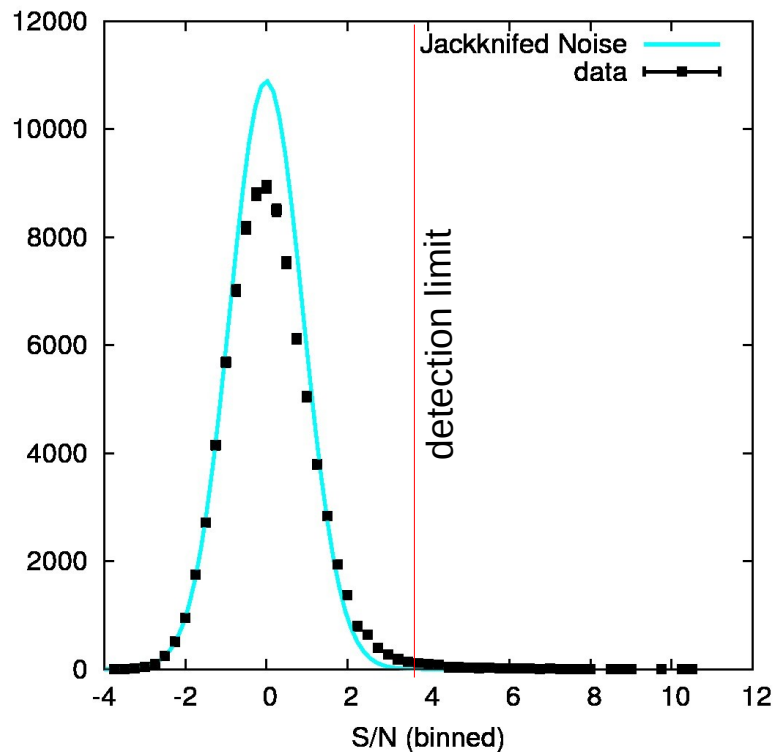
4. Get  $dN/dS$



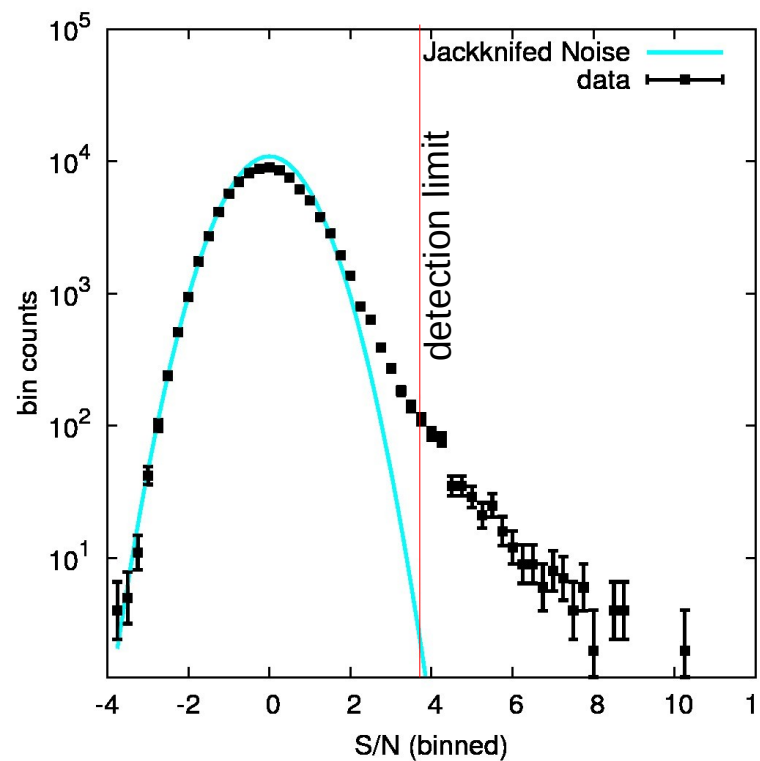
Coppin et al. 2006

**Hidden caveat: one source per detection is typically assumed (i.e. no blending)**

Many faint sources  
widen distribution  
(confusion noise)

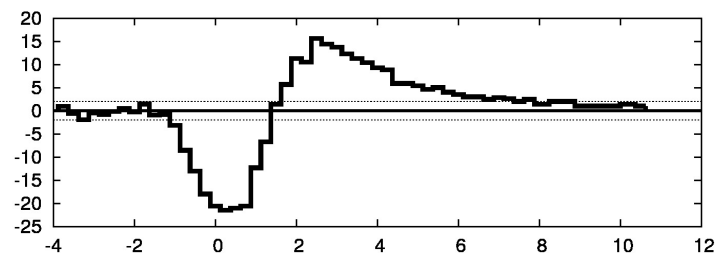


Bright sources  
Produce tail

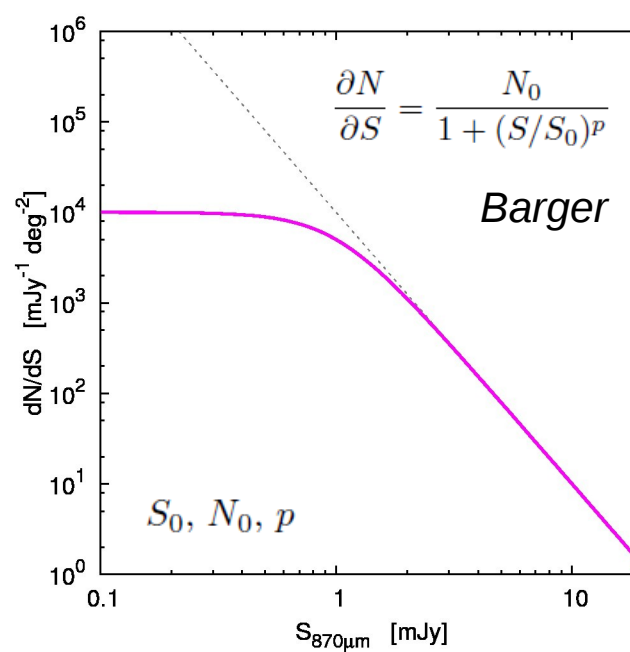
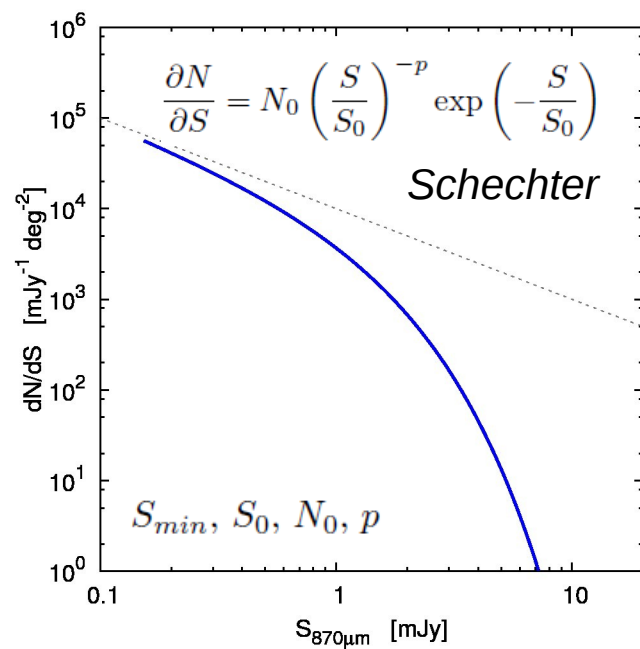
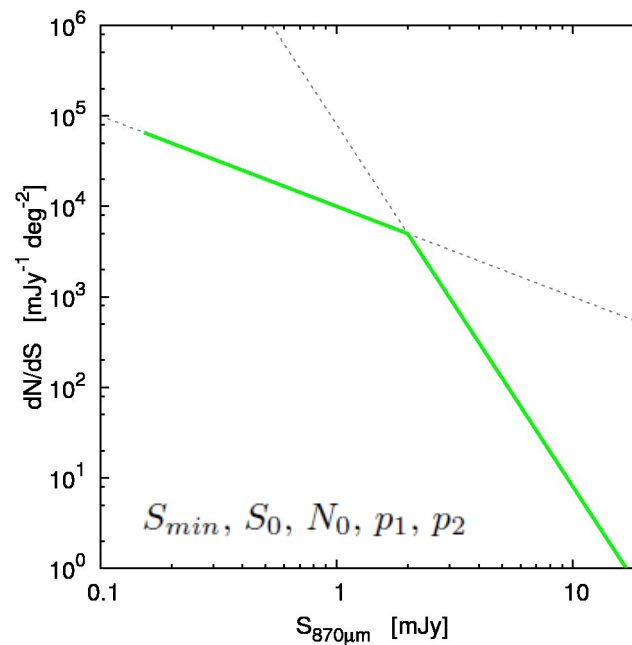
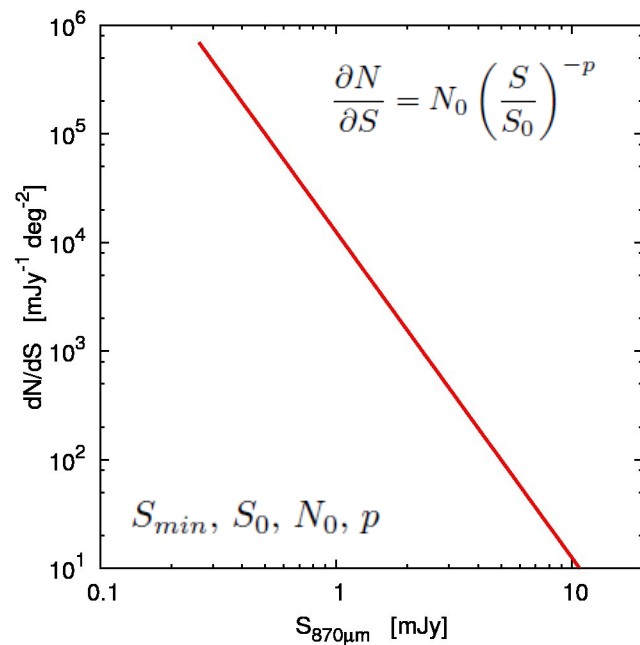


## $P(D)$ analysis

Observed distribution is a product of  
the source distribution and the  
underlying noise...

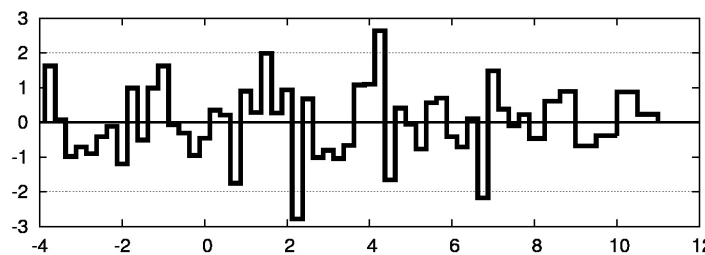
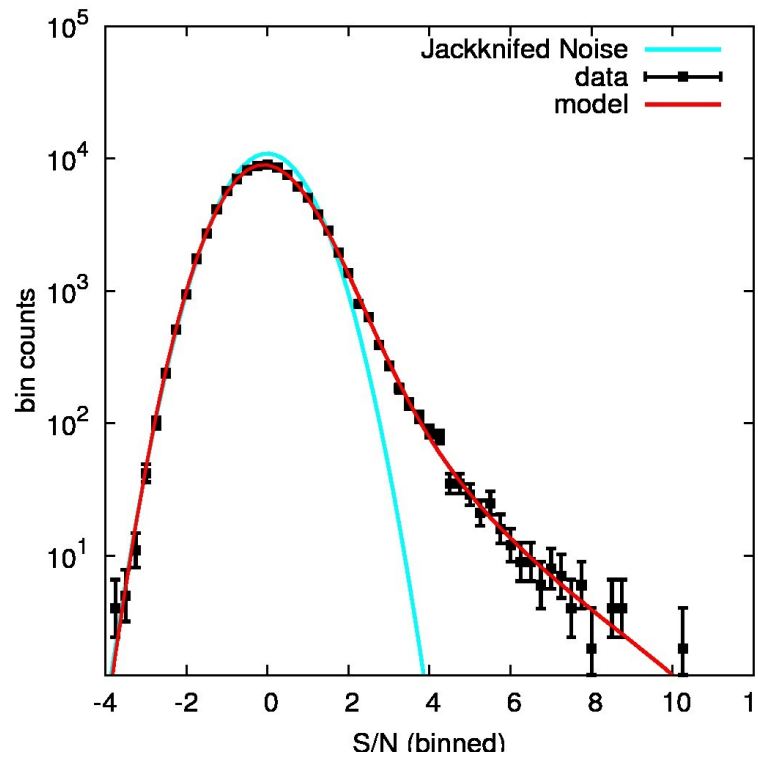
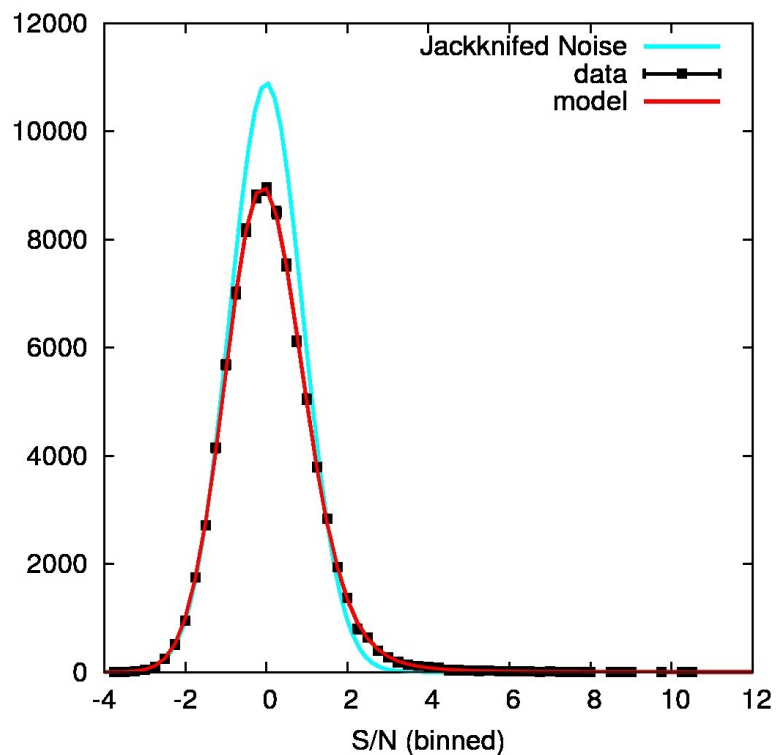






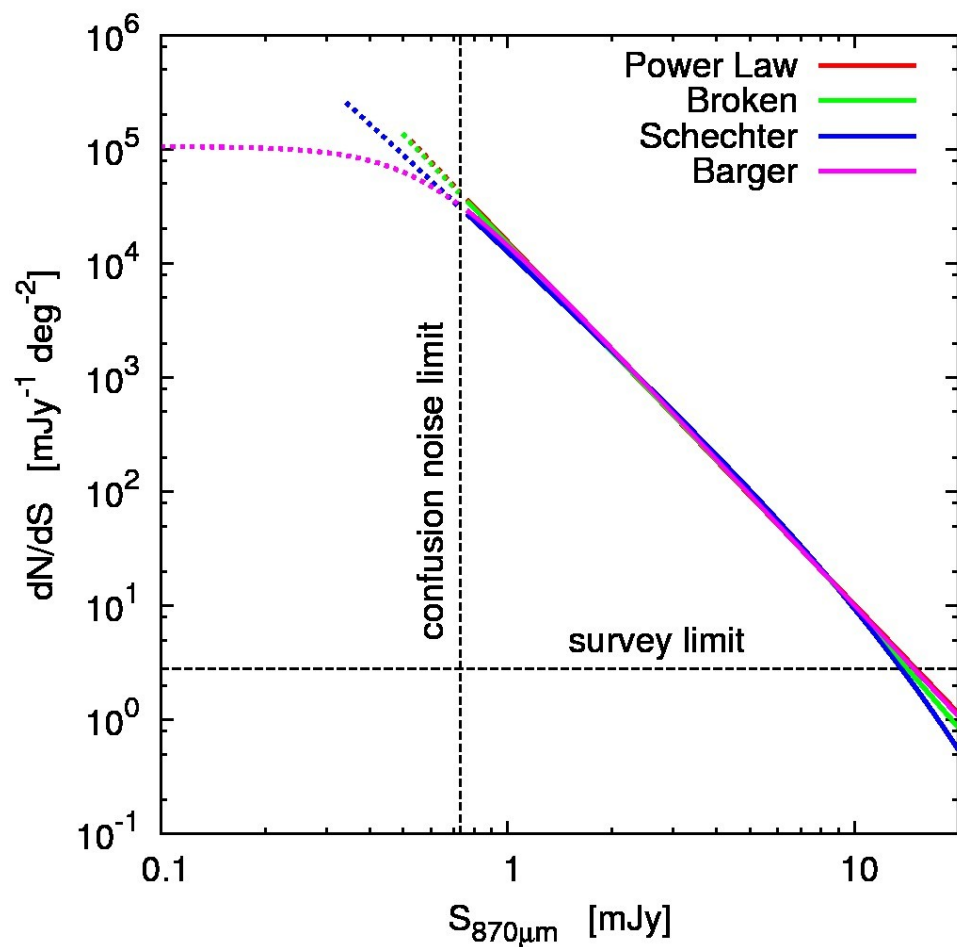
## Power Law:

$$S_{\min} = 0.5 \text{ mJy}$$
$$N_0 = 92.7 \text{ mJy}^{-1} \text{ deg}^{-2}$$
$$p = 3.178$$

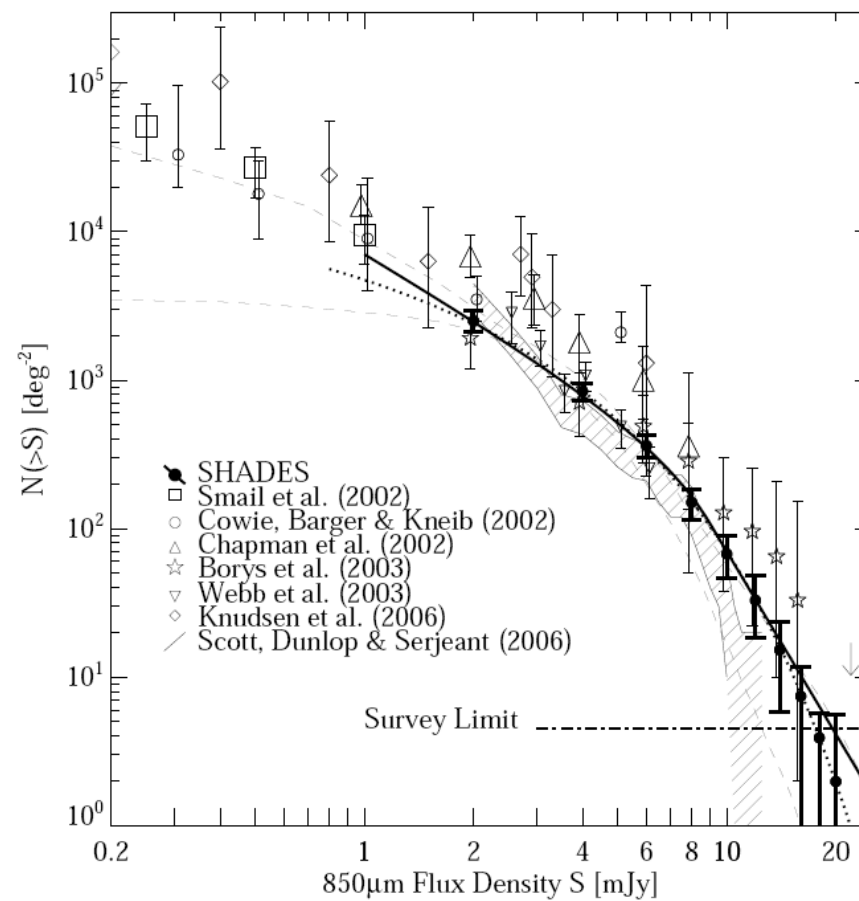


unbroken power law

CDFS



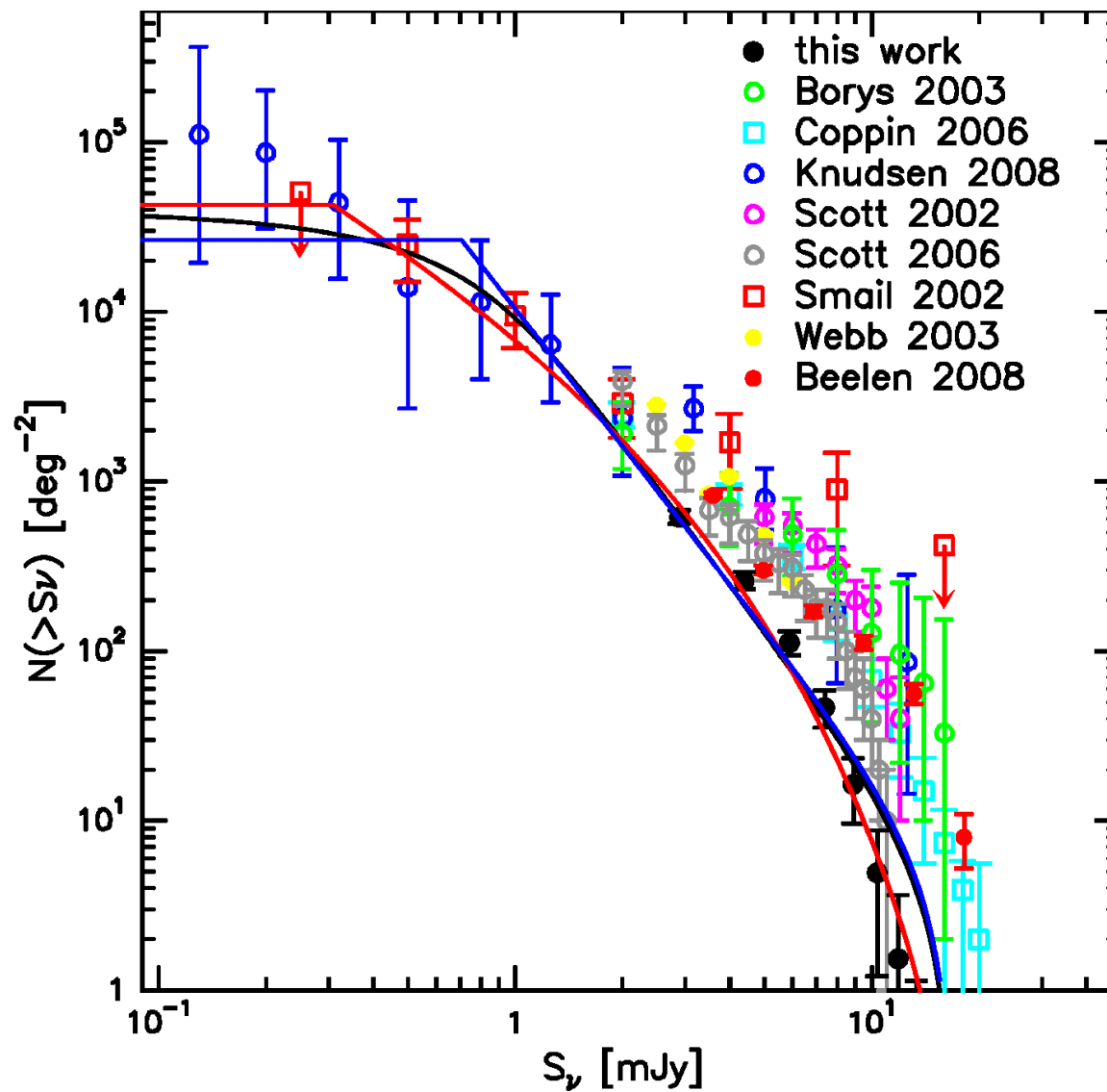
SHADES



Coppin et al. 2006

**Integrated 870 $\mu\text{m}$  Background: 29-33 Jy/deg<sup>2</sup>**

*COBE*: 45  $\pm$  5

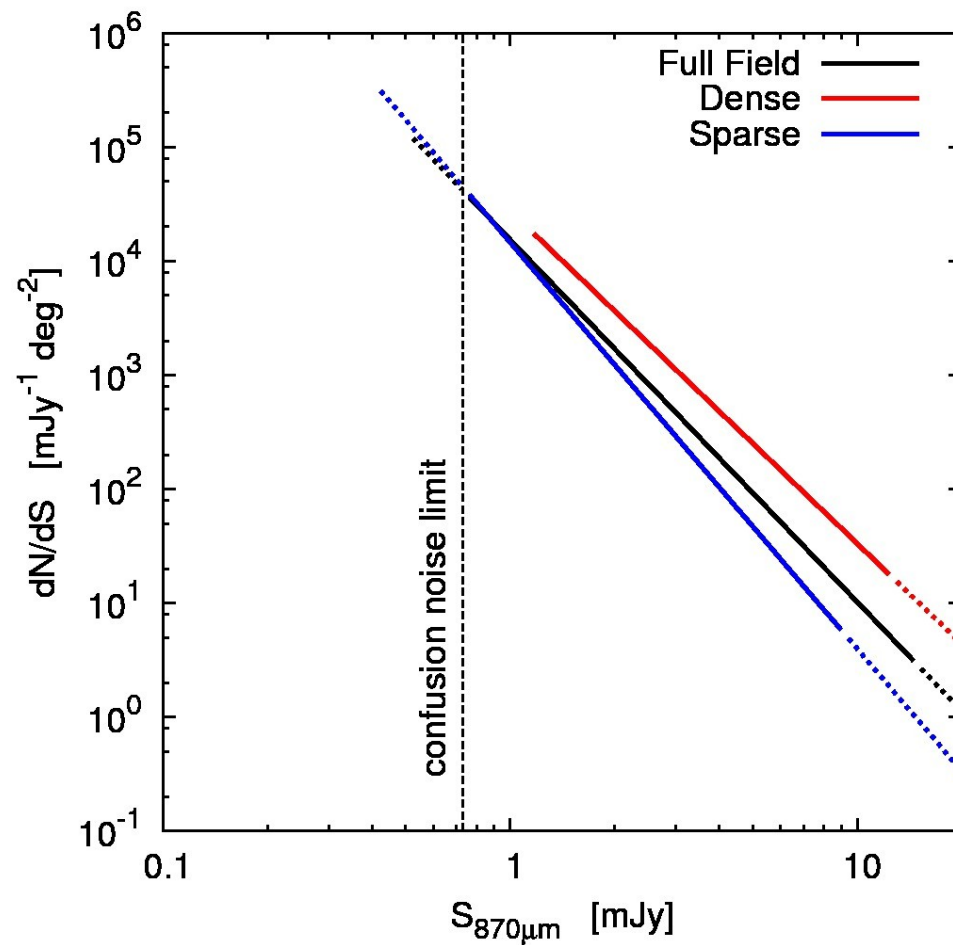
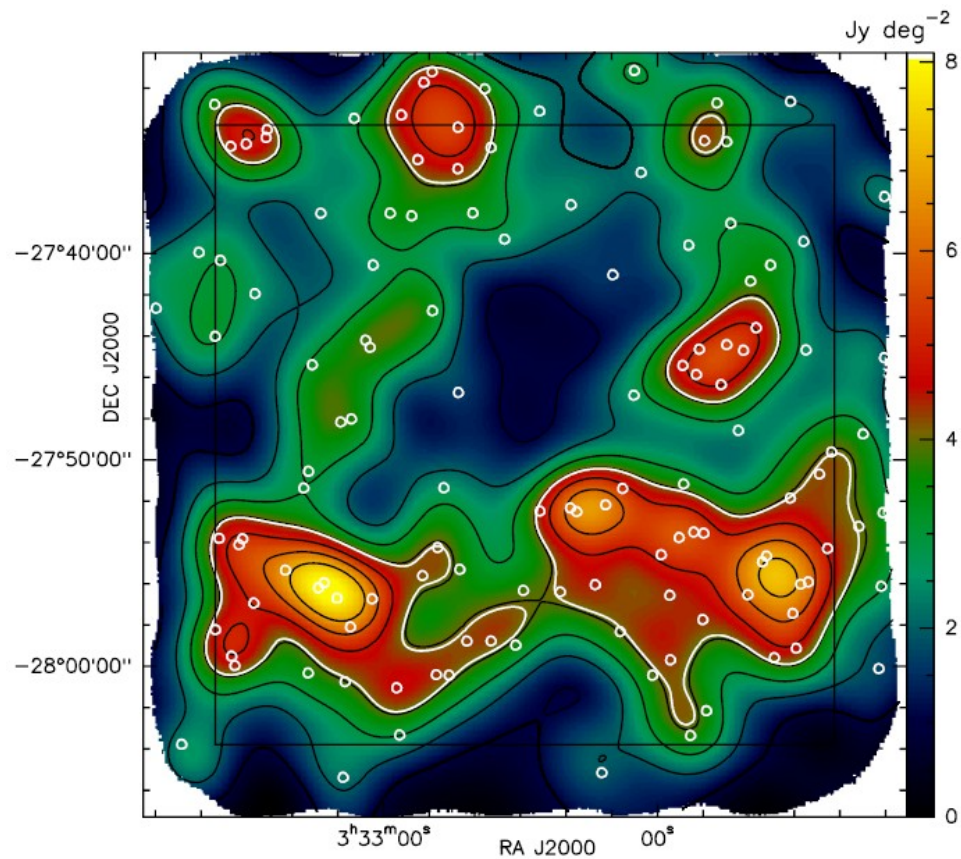


### Underdensities In the CDFS:

$Z > 2$  K-band selected galaxies are under-abundant by ~60%.  
(Dokkum et al. 2006)

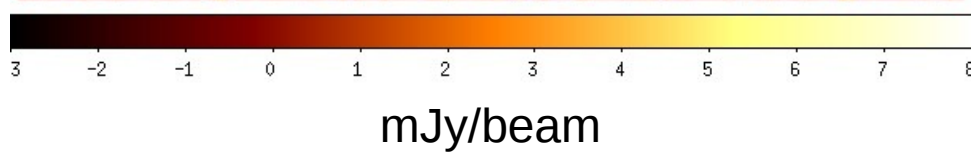
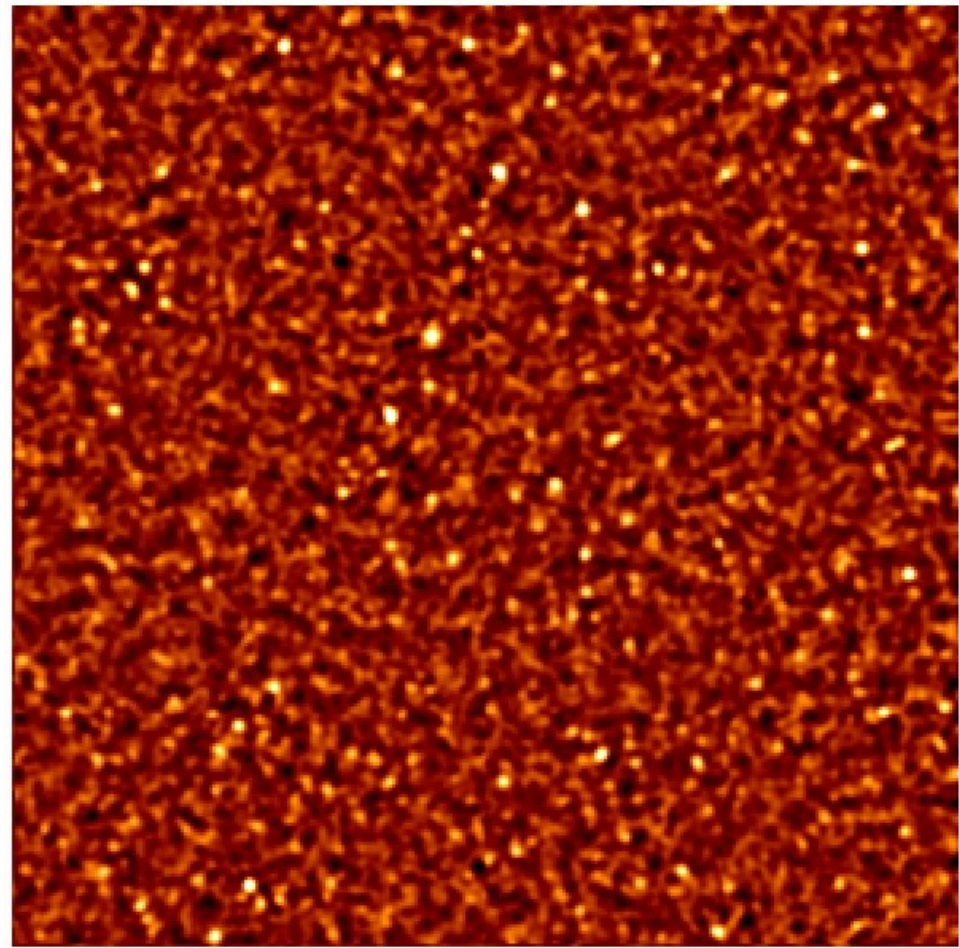
$Z > 2.5$  DRGs  
(Marchesini et al. 2006)

High- $z$  optically bright AGNs  
(Dwelly & Page 2006)



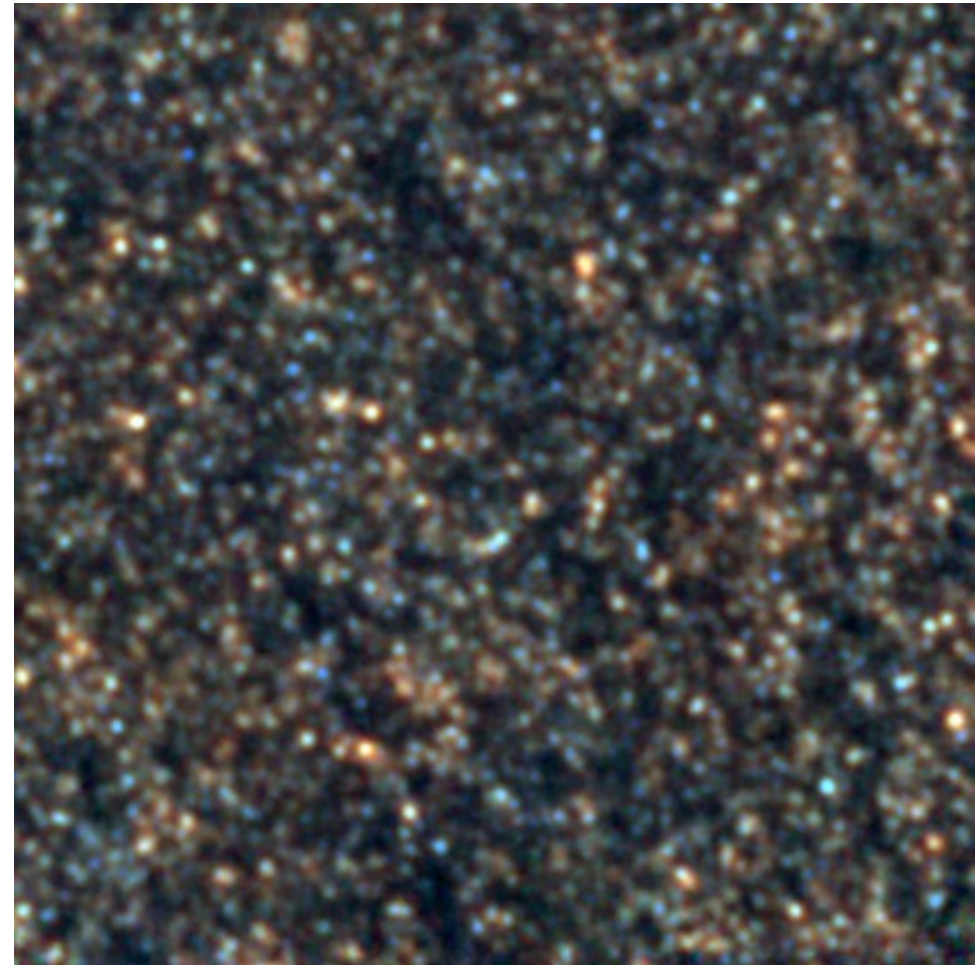
Seems more a variation in steepness rather than density

The 870 $\mu$ m sky from a 12-m telescope



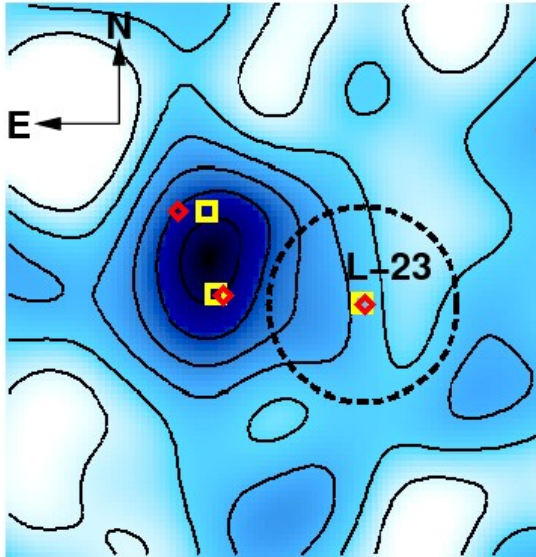
12K source inserted  
(no clustering assumed)

*Herschel* Deep Field



*Dominated by  $z < 2$  sources*

SHARC2 12"



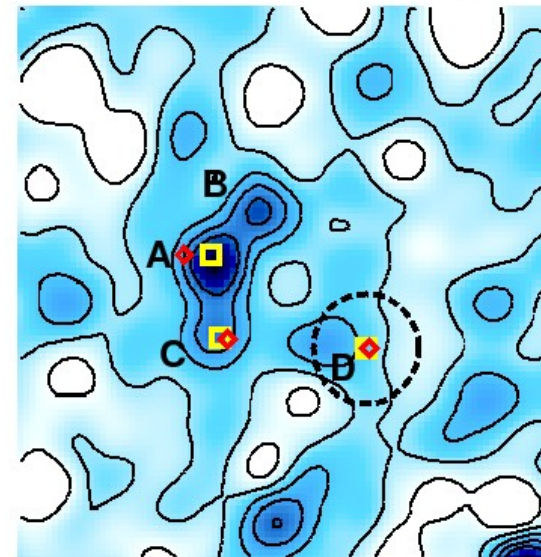
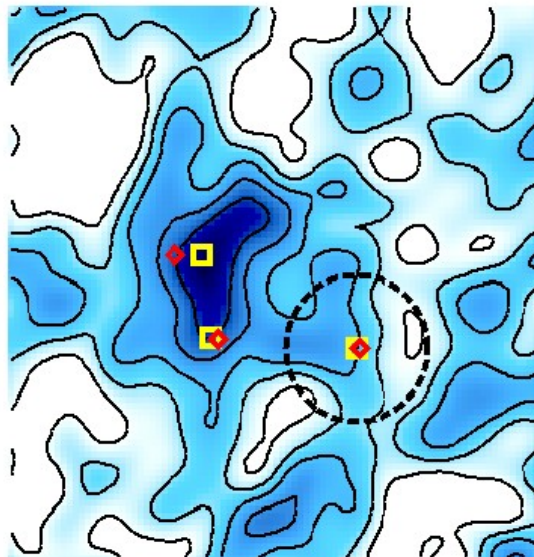
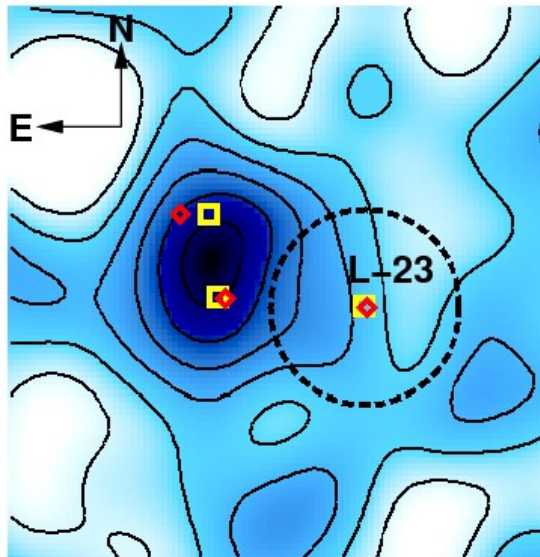
15''

Do we know how to count?...

SHARC2 12"

SHARC2 9"

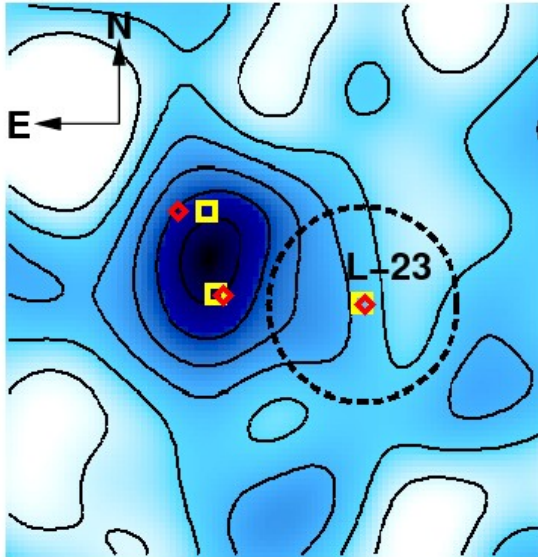
SHARC2 deconvolved (5")



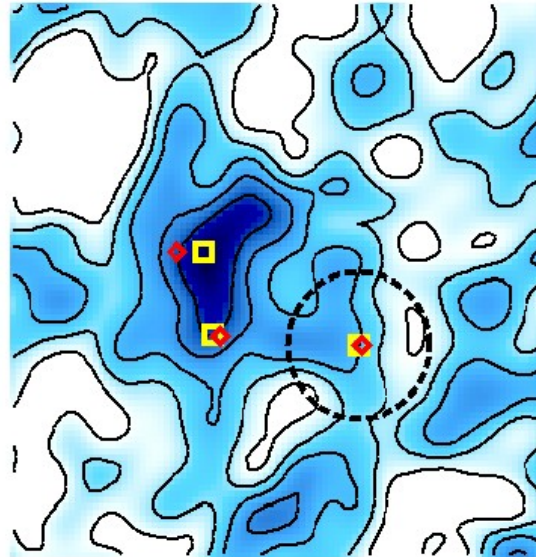
15"



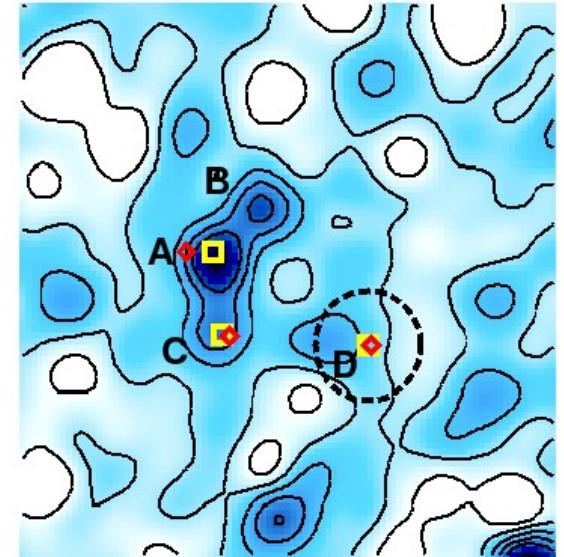
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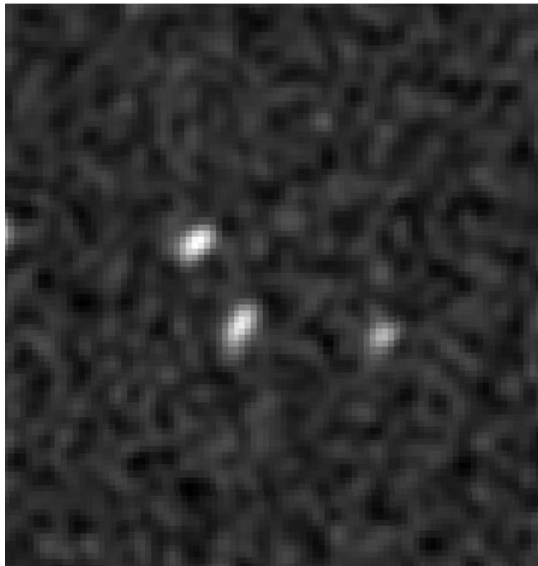
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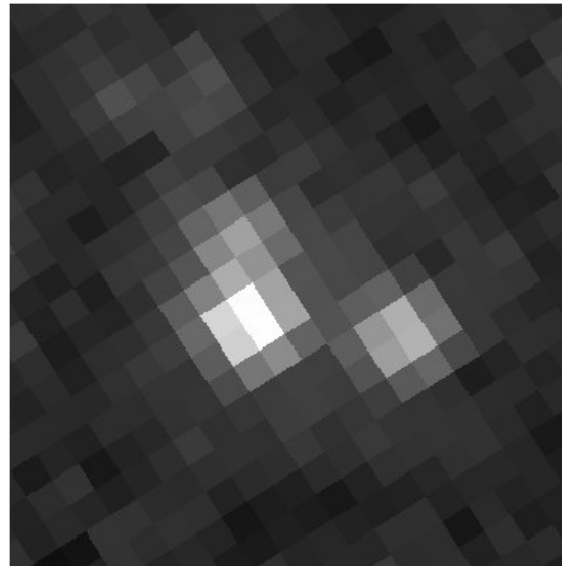
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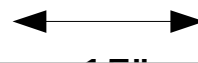
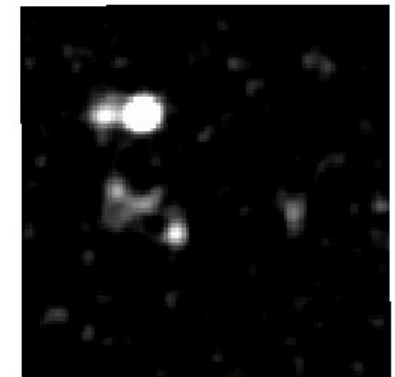
VLA 1.4 GHz

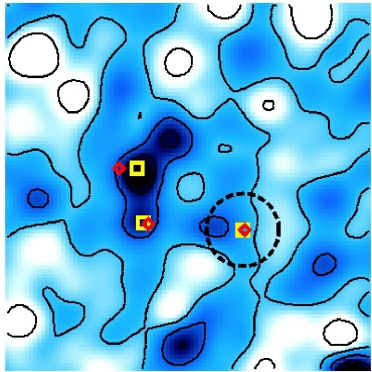


MIPS 24um

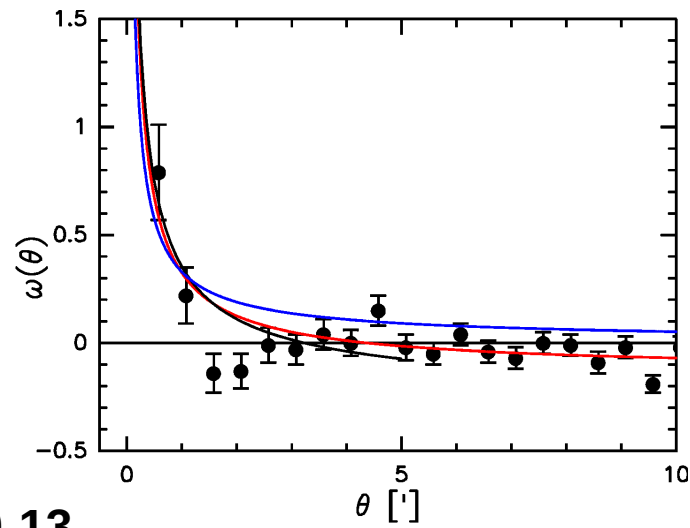


1.7um



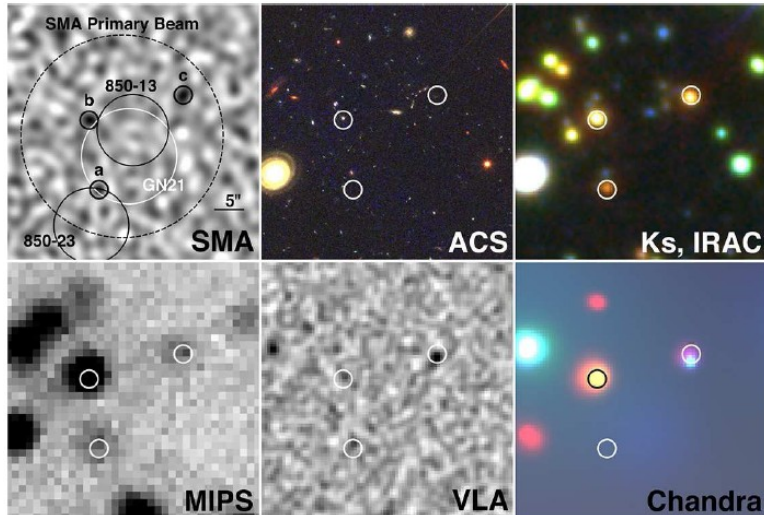
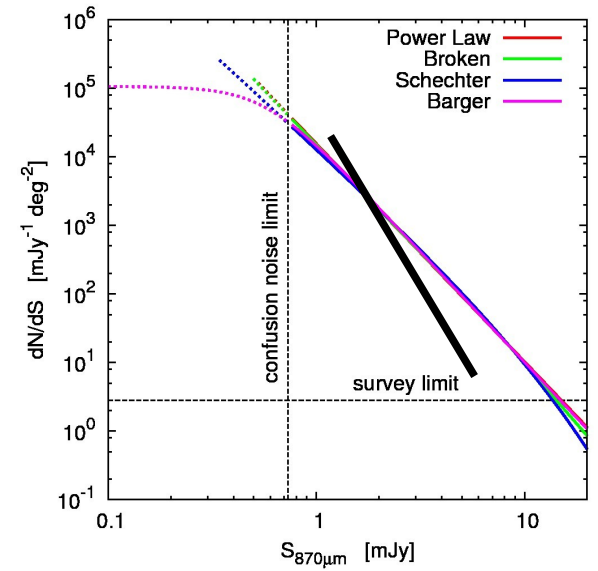


Kovács et al. 2010, ApJ, 717, 29

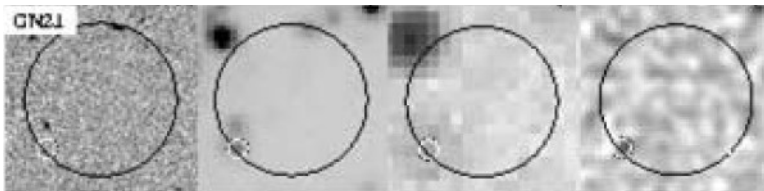


850-13

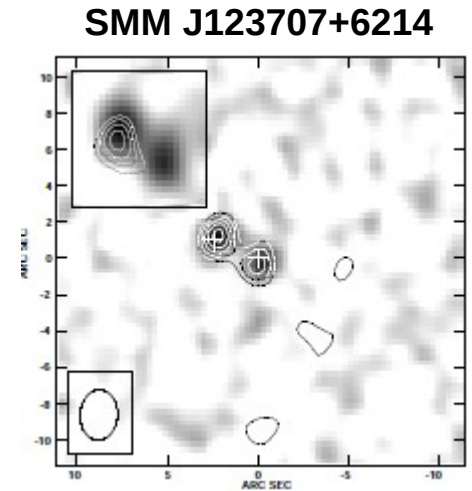
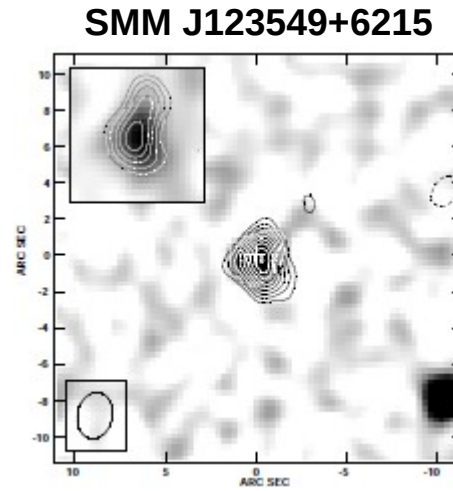
Weiss et al. (2009)



Wang et al. (2010)



Pope et al. (2006)



Ivison et al. (2010)

# Source Counts: Conclusions

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$P(D)$  is a reliable way to get counts (and background!)

**BUT**

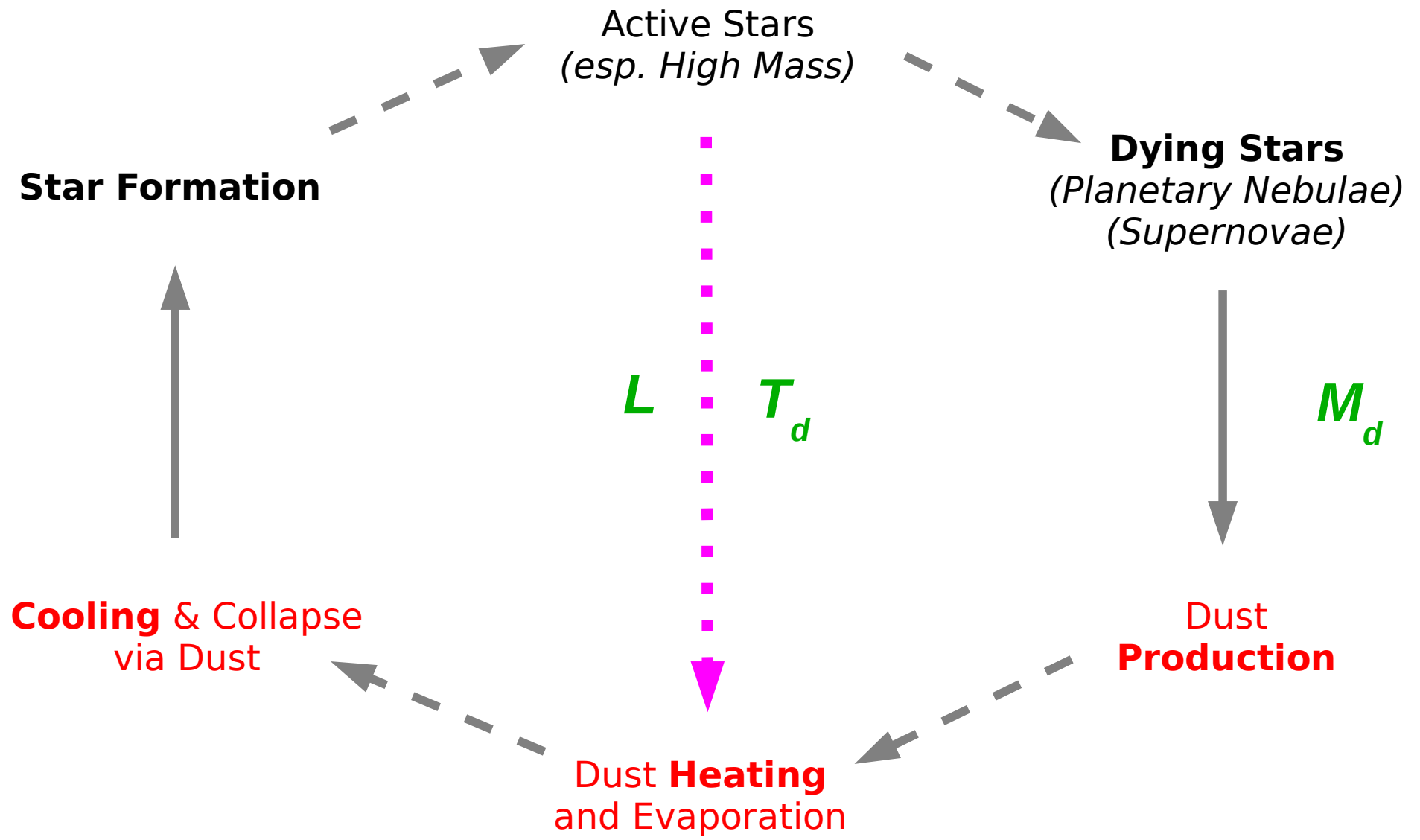
Need to know clustering to get it right....

# Entree

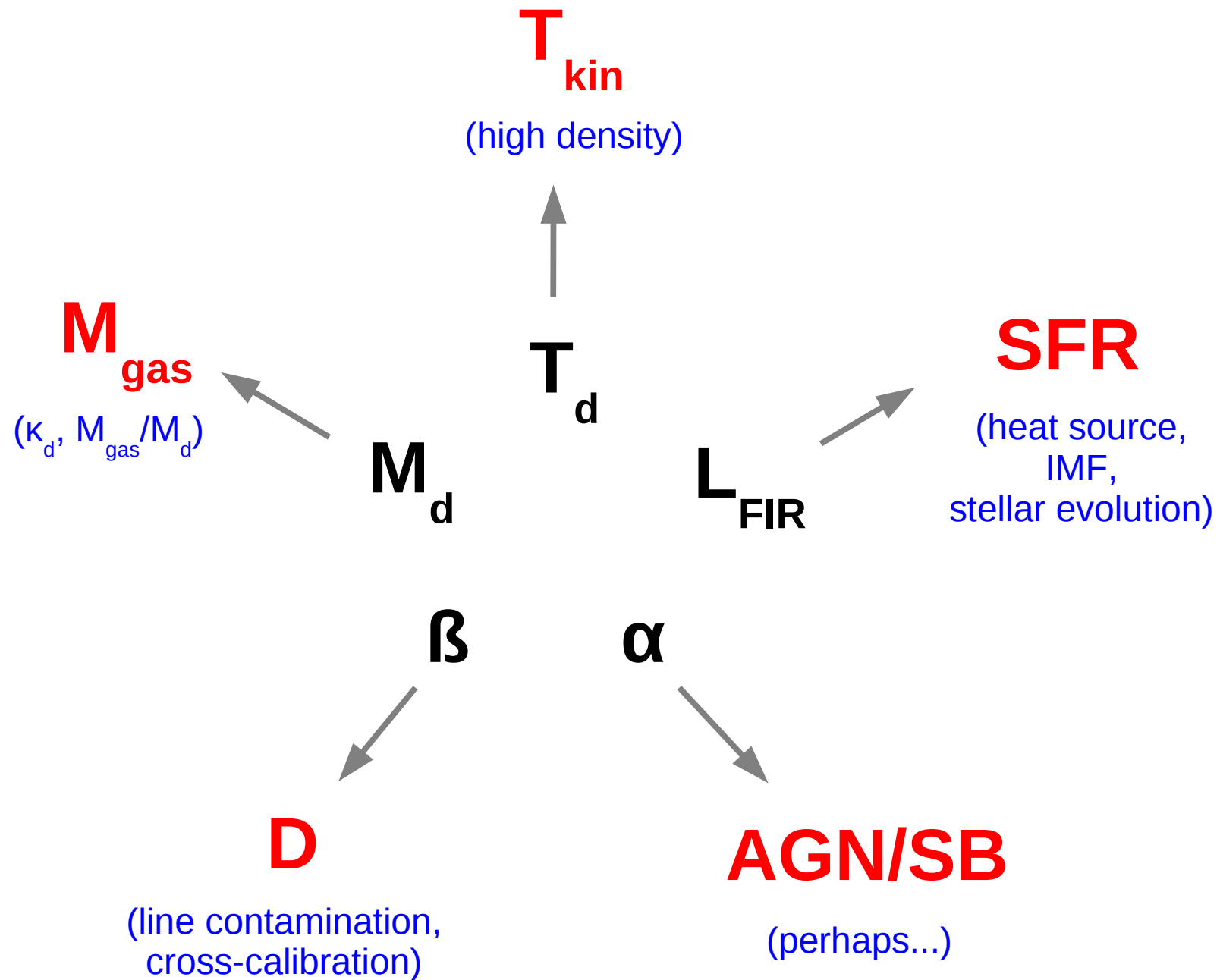
*FIR Characterization*

*Dust SED Models*

# Lifecycle of Dust and Stars



# Treasures in the Dust



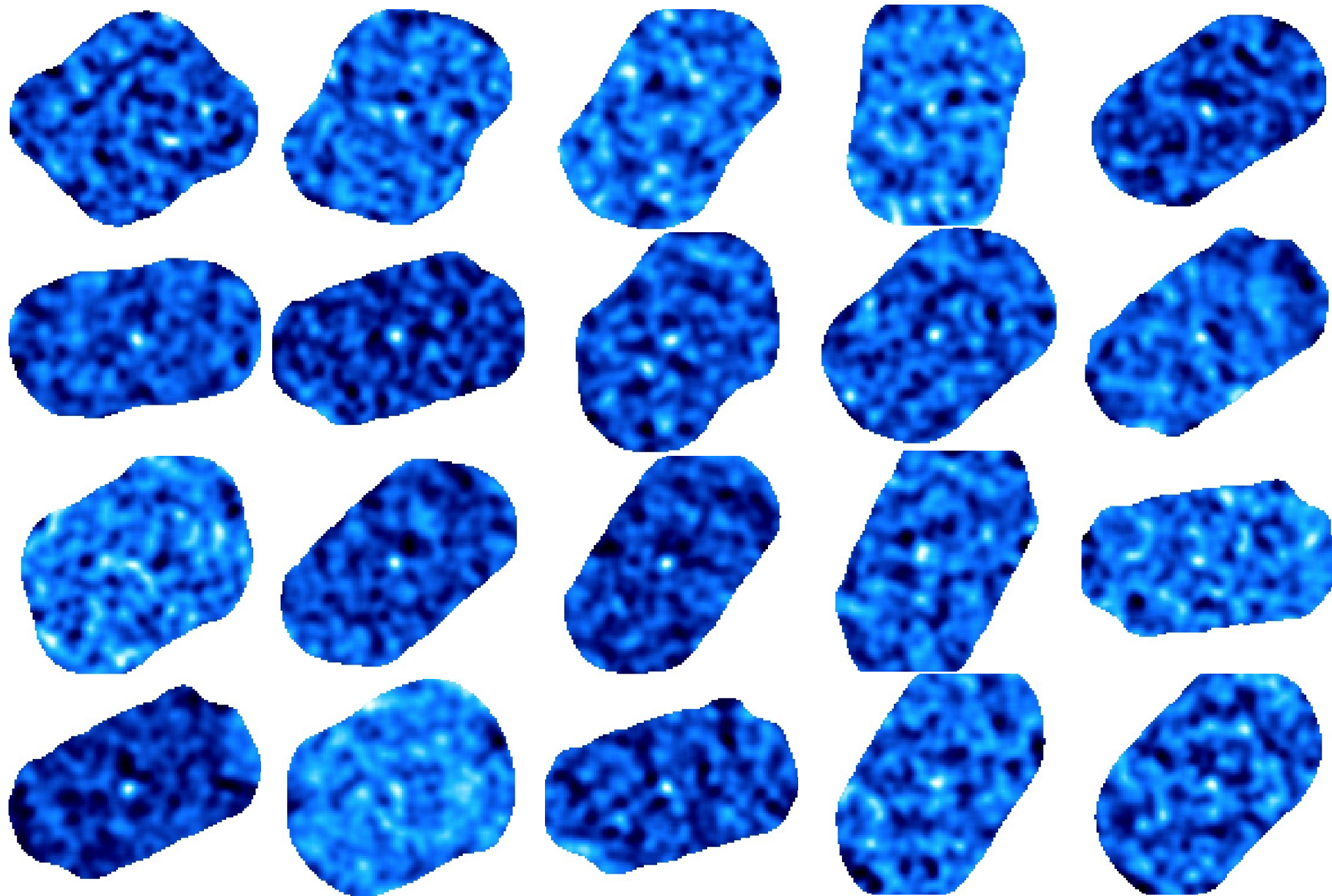
# Caltech Submillimeter Observatory

**10.4 m Gregorian Telescope**

**12 $\mu$ m RMS surface**  
*(DSOS Melanie Leong)*

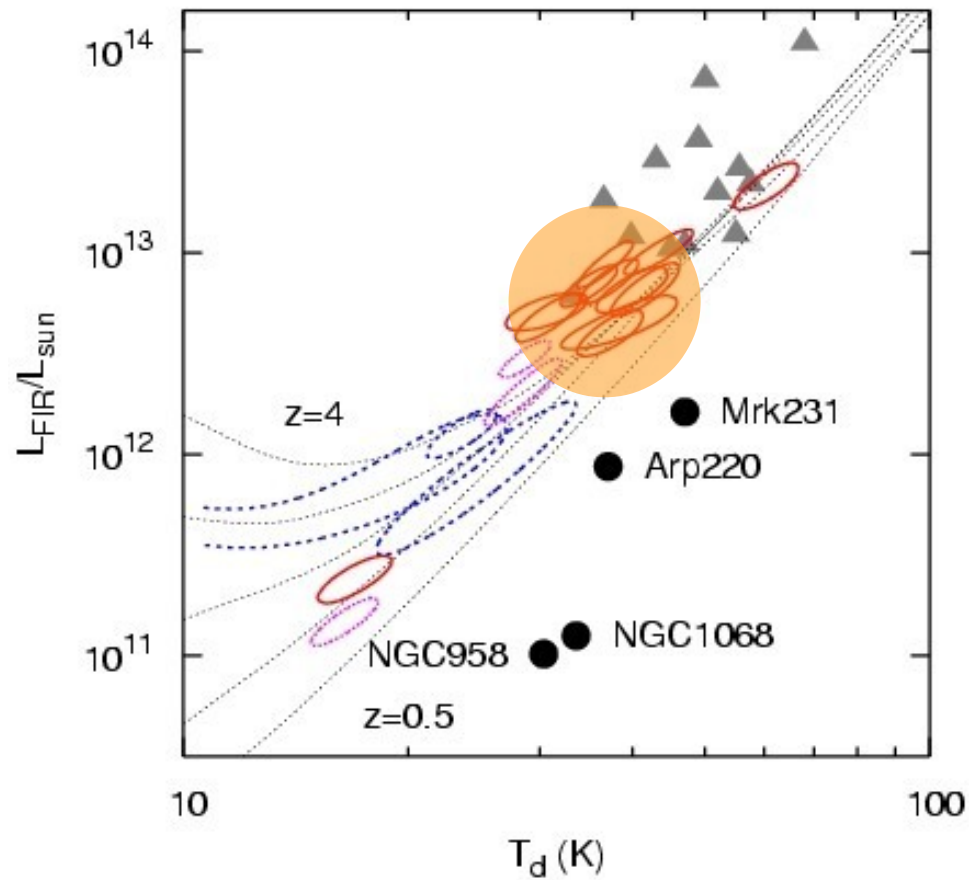
**4,000m (13,000ft) Elevation**





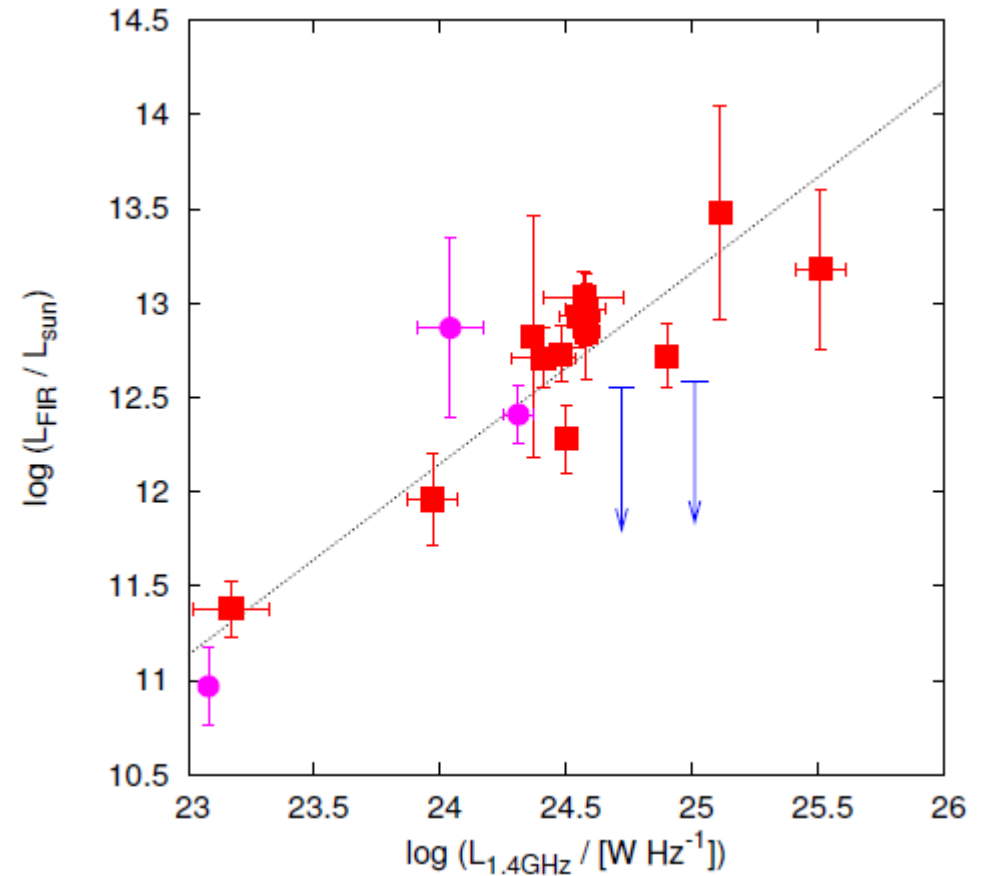


3 years of data...



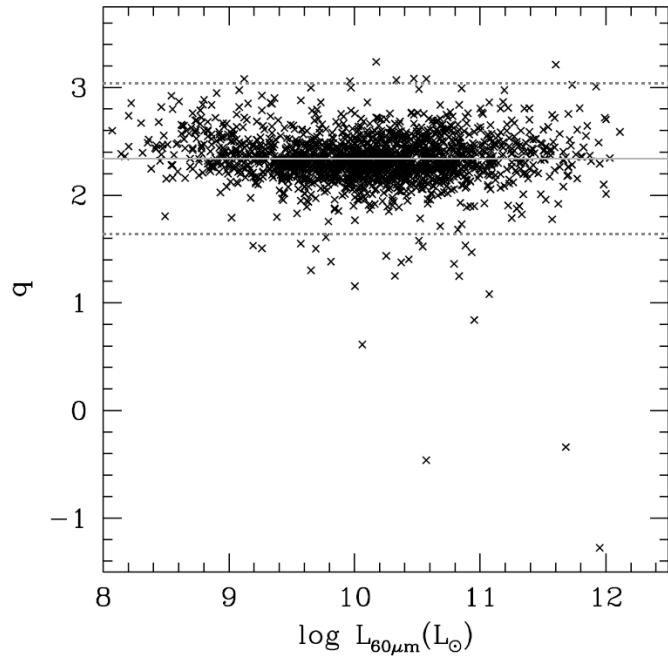
**Temperatures & Luminosities**

$$T \sim 35\text{K}, L \sim 10^{13} L_{\text{sun}}$$



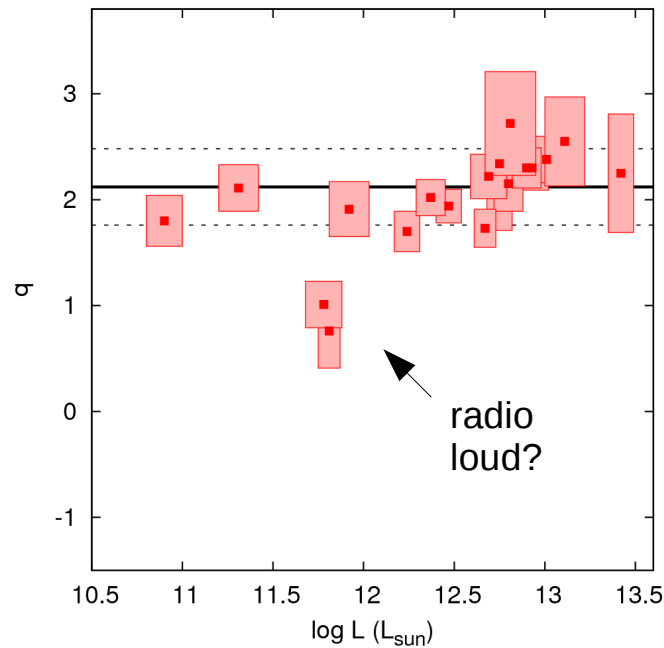
**Radio-FIR Correlation**

**Local IRAS galaxies**



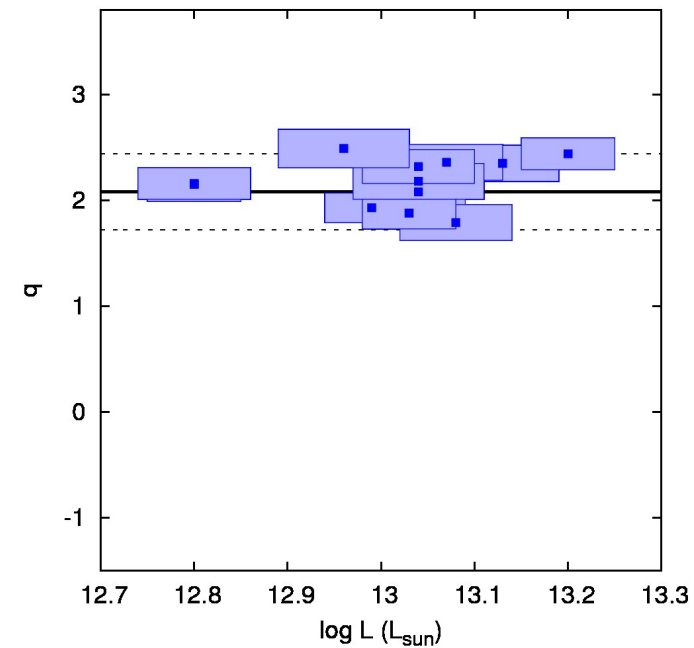
Yun et al. (2001)

**Classical SMGs**



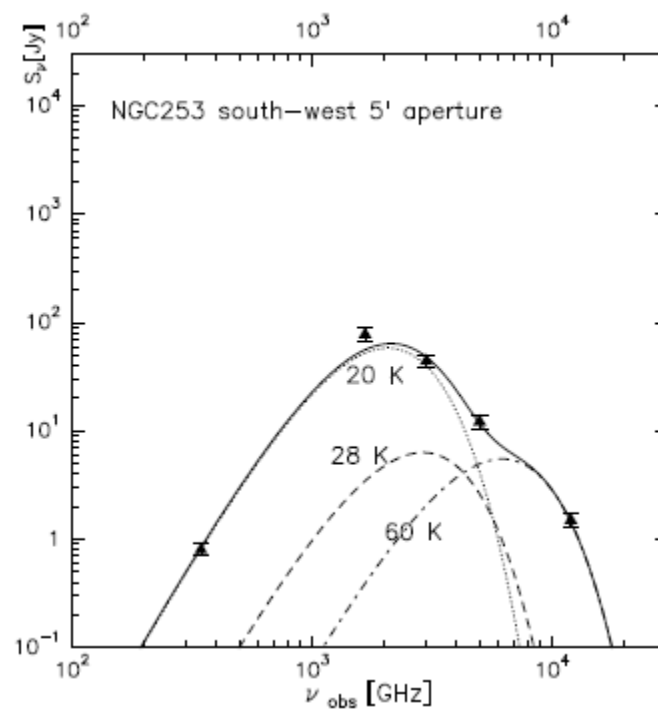
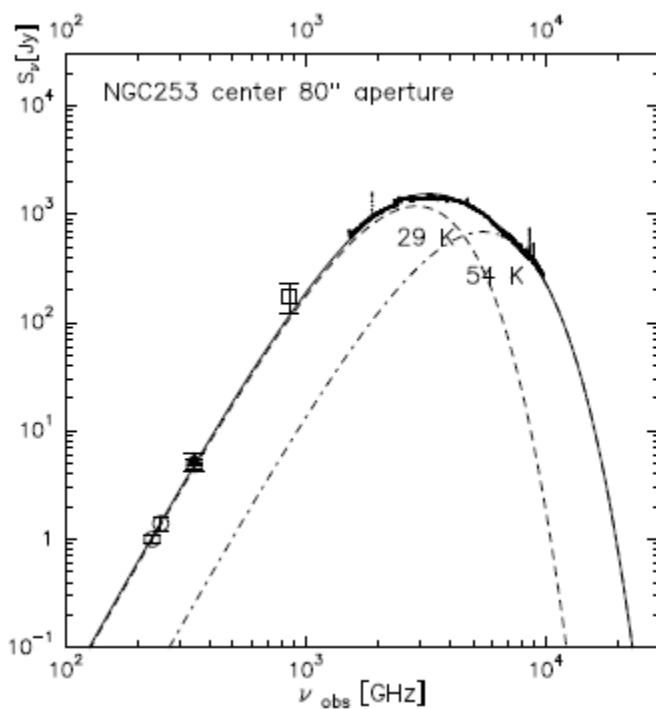
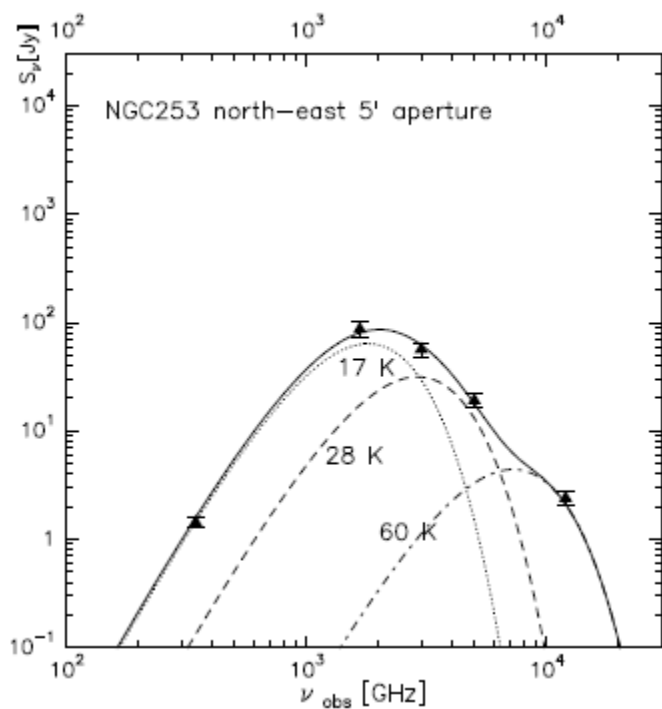
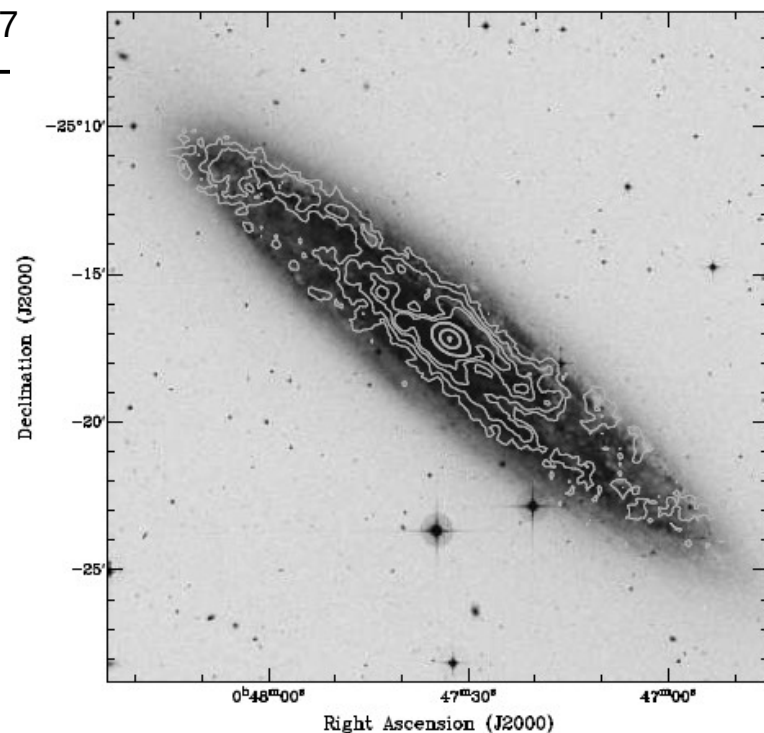
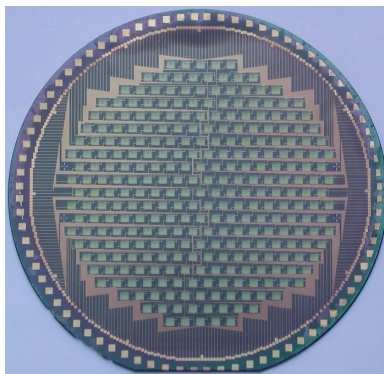
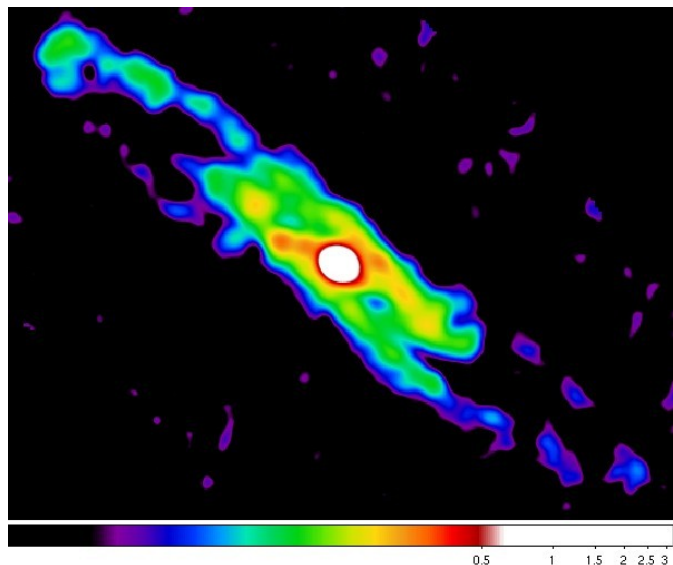
Kovács et al. (2006)

**Spitzer SMGs**



Kovács et al. (2010)

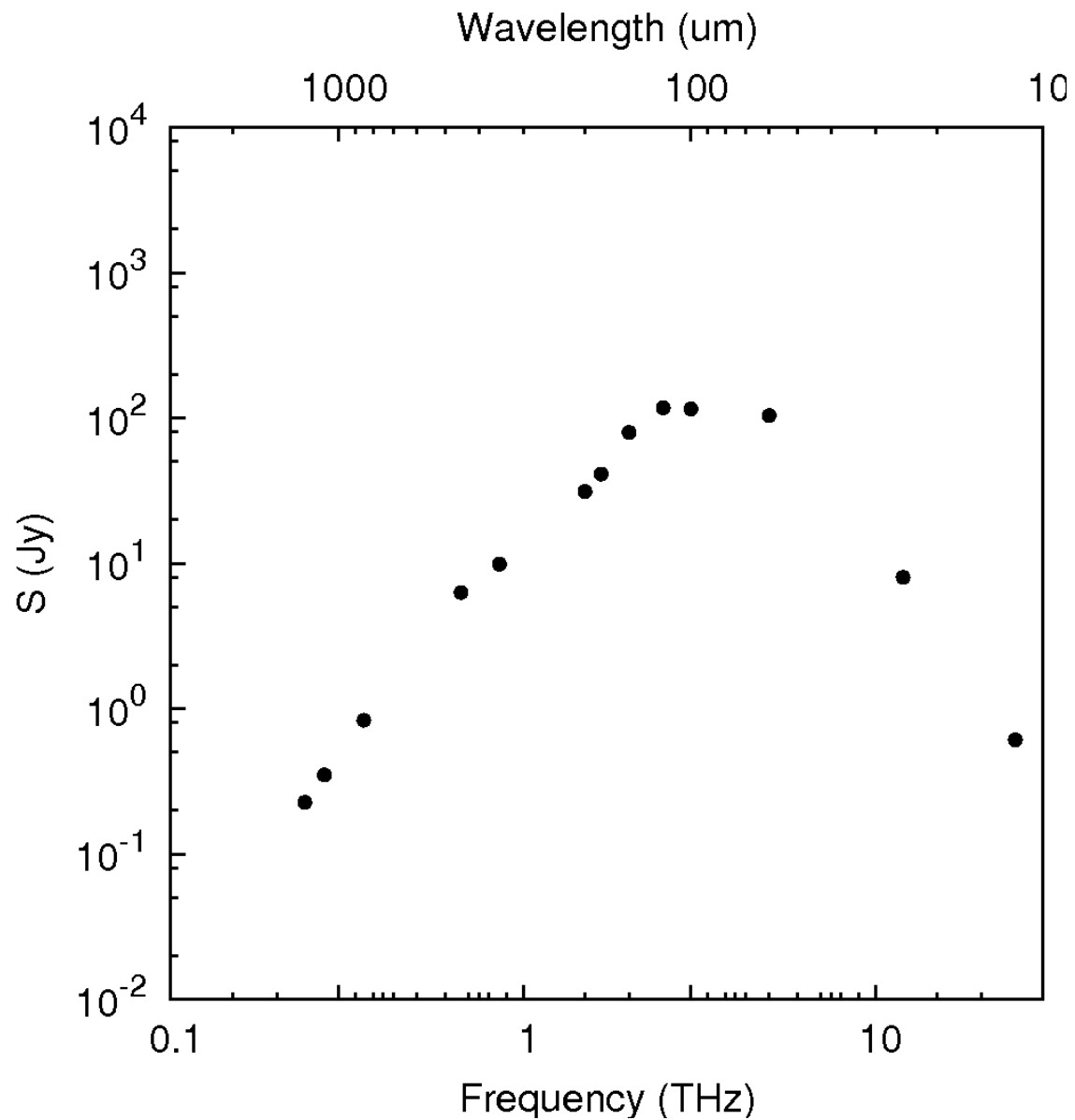
SMG Luminosities fueled by star-formation.



# SED Case Study: Arp 220

Flux data between  
12  $\mu\text{m}$  and 2 mm

(source: NED)



# SED Case Study: Arp 220

parameters:

$$M_d \quad T_c \quad \beta \quad \gamma \quad (d)$$

Emissivity index is related to the fractal dimension of dust:

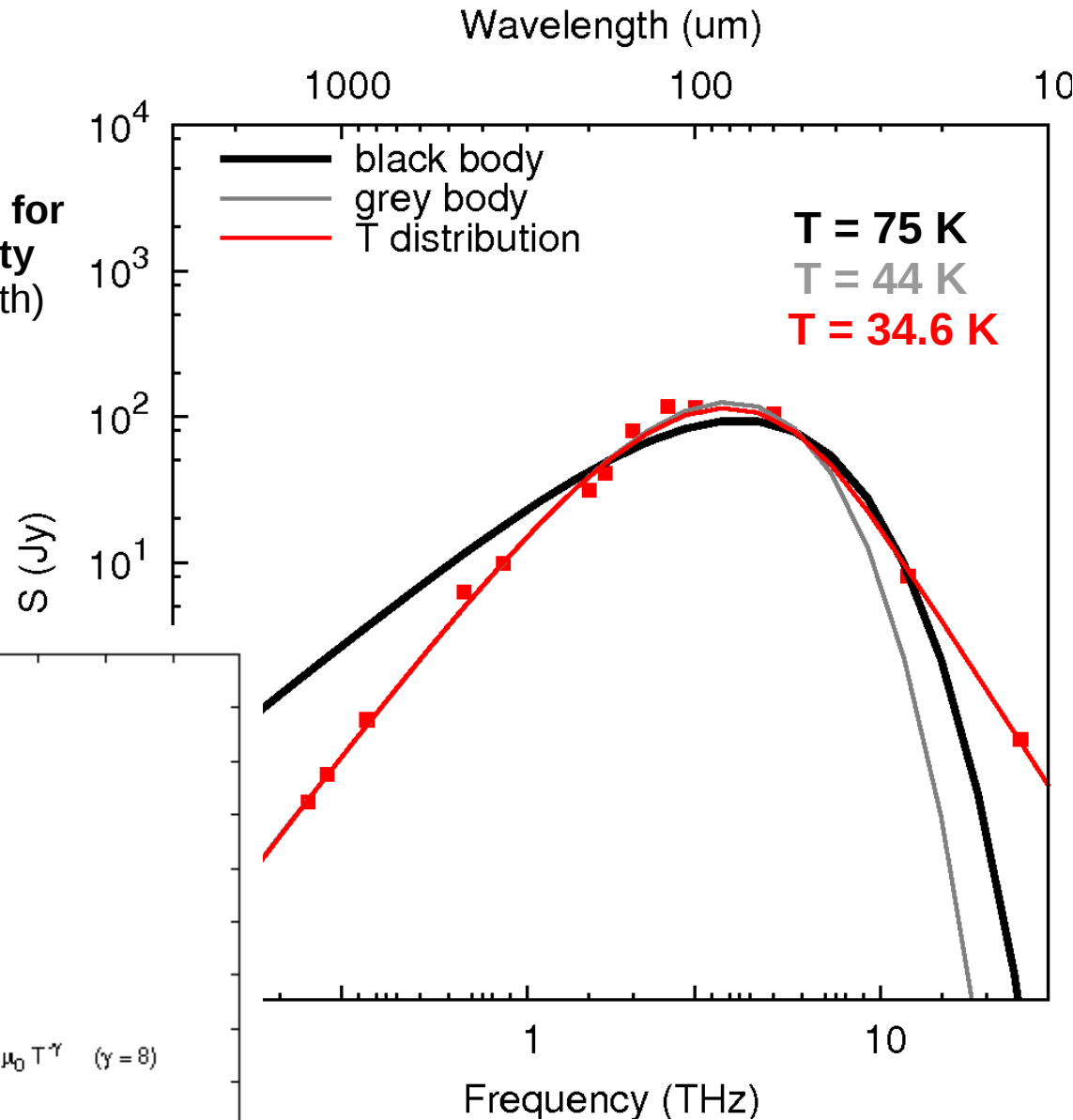
$$\beta = D - 1$$

Thus it is expected in the range 1 – 2. Typical values are ~1.5.

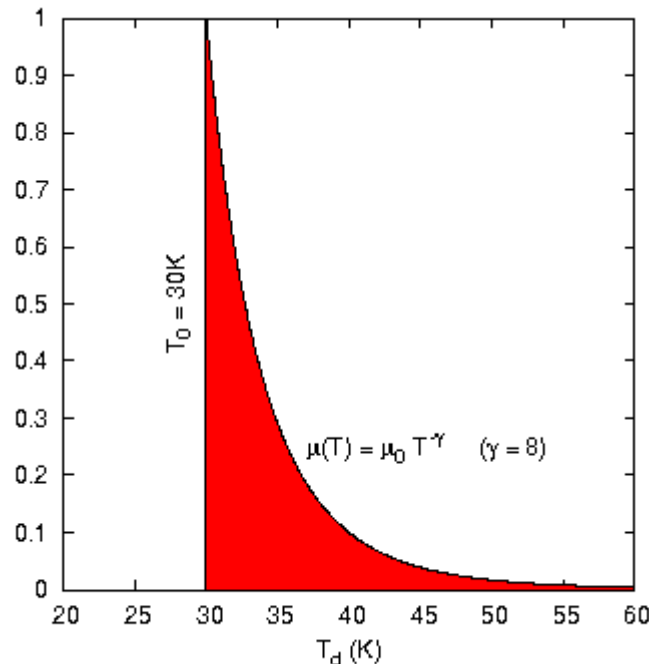
$$K_d \sim \nu^\beta$$

$$dM(T) \sim \mu_0 T^{-\gamma}$$

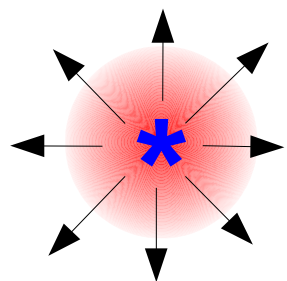
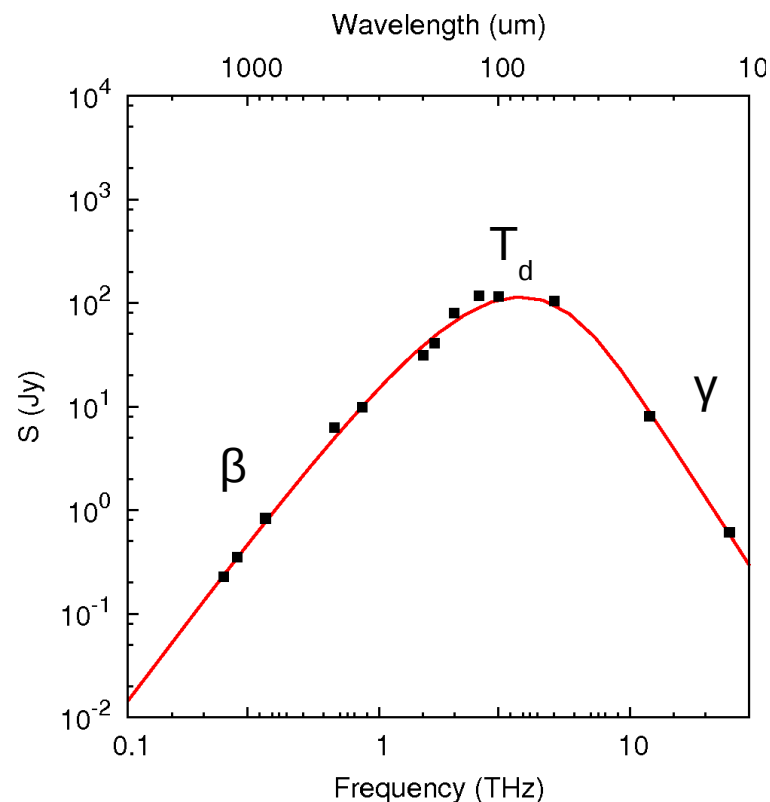
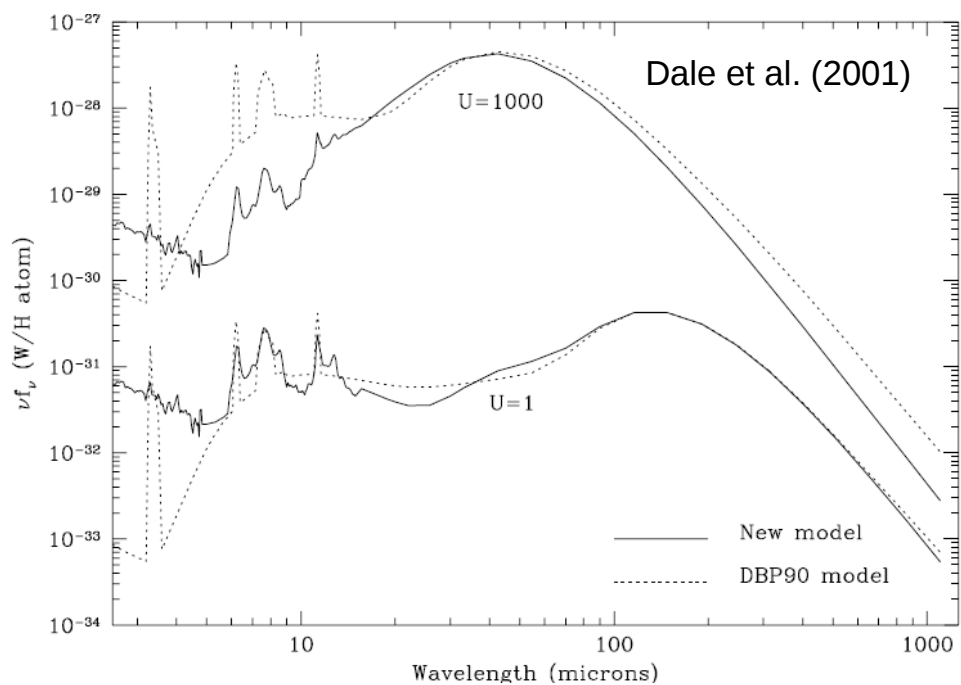
Mass-temperature index  $\gamma$  is related to mass-FUV index  $\alpha$  (Dale 2001)



Analytic expressions for Integrated luminosity (including optical depth)



# The SED Flavour of the Day...

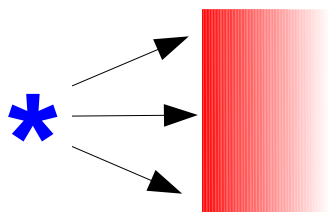


**3 type of grains**  
2 $\mu\text{m}$  – 2mm

$dM(U)$   
 $\alpha \sim 1 - 2.5$

**libraries**

*(radiative heating only)*

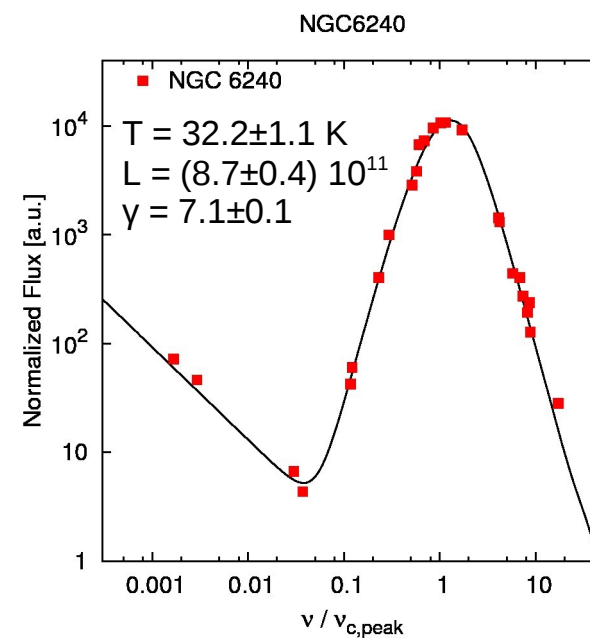
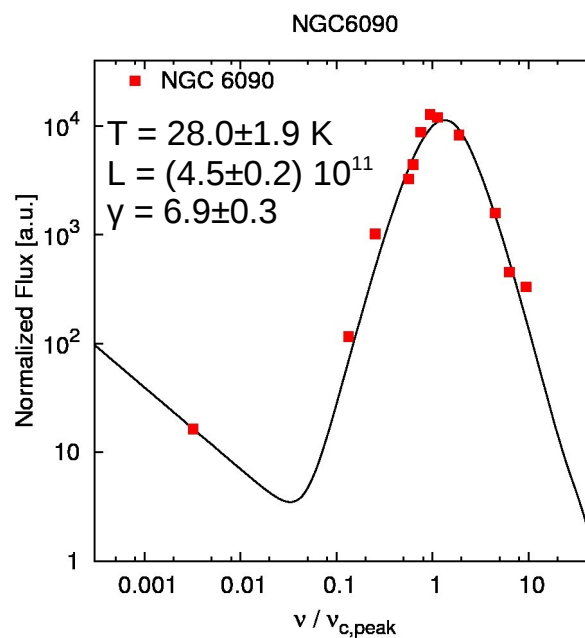
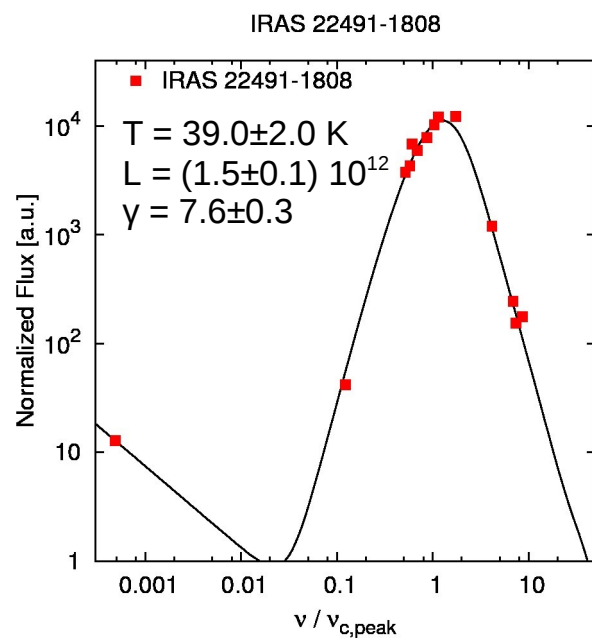
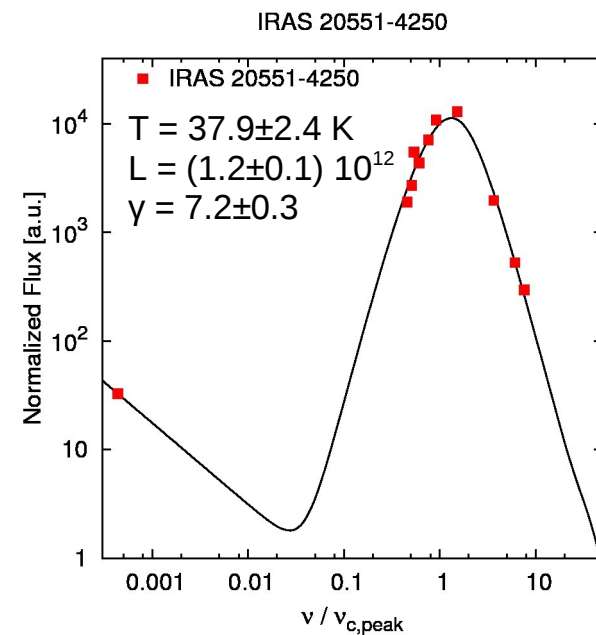
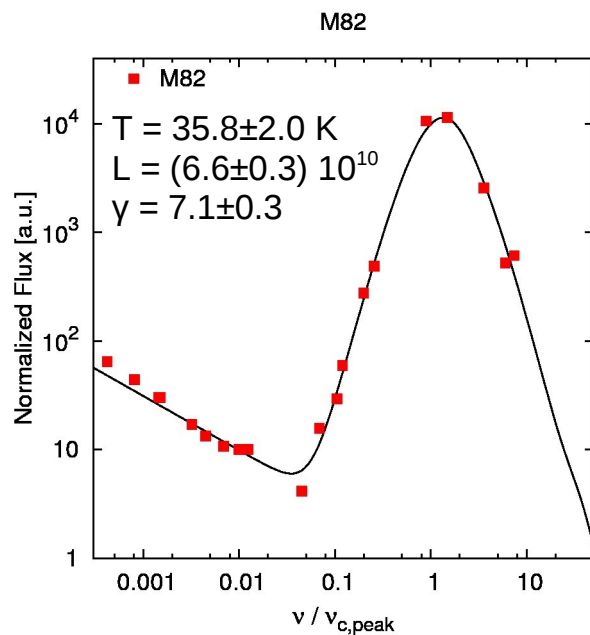
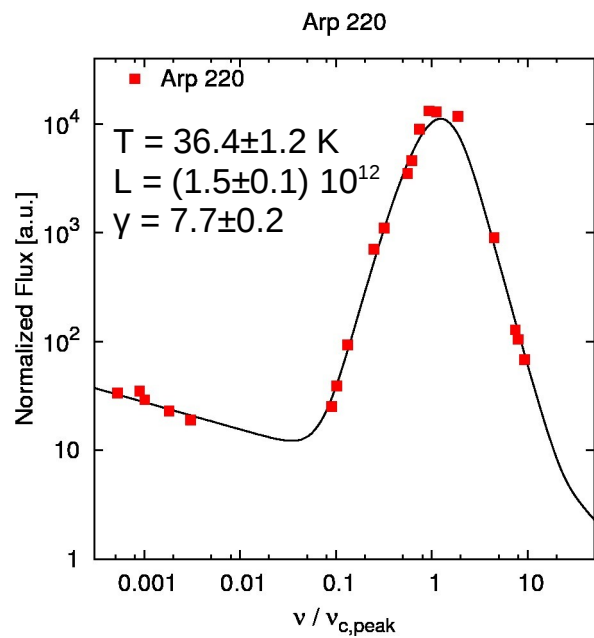


**1 grain type**  
12 $\mu\text{m}$  – 2mm

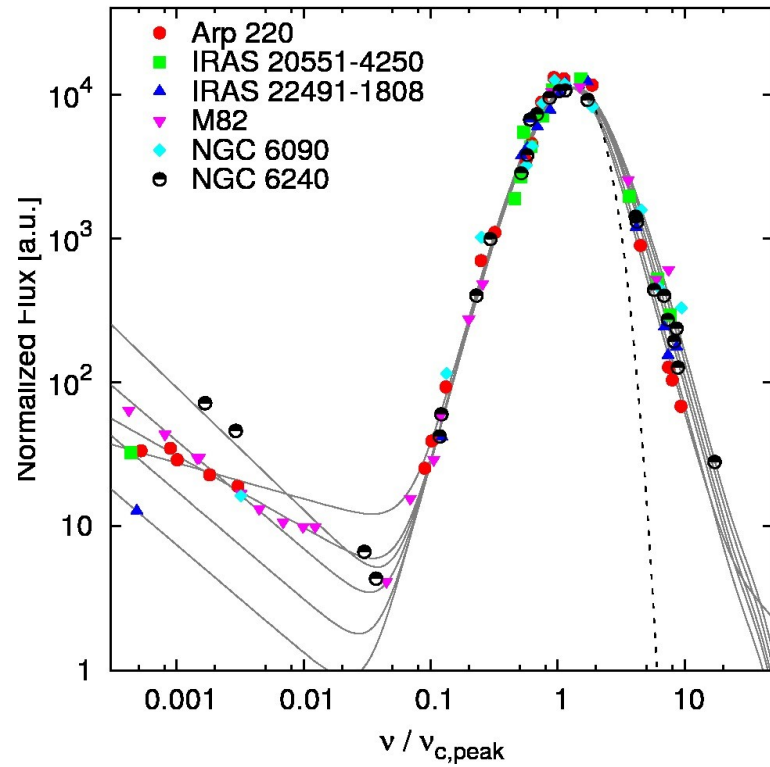
$dM(T)$   
 $\gamma \sim 5 - 9.25?$

**parametric**

*(heating also by shocks or infall)*



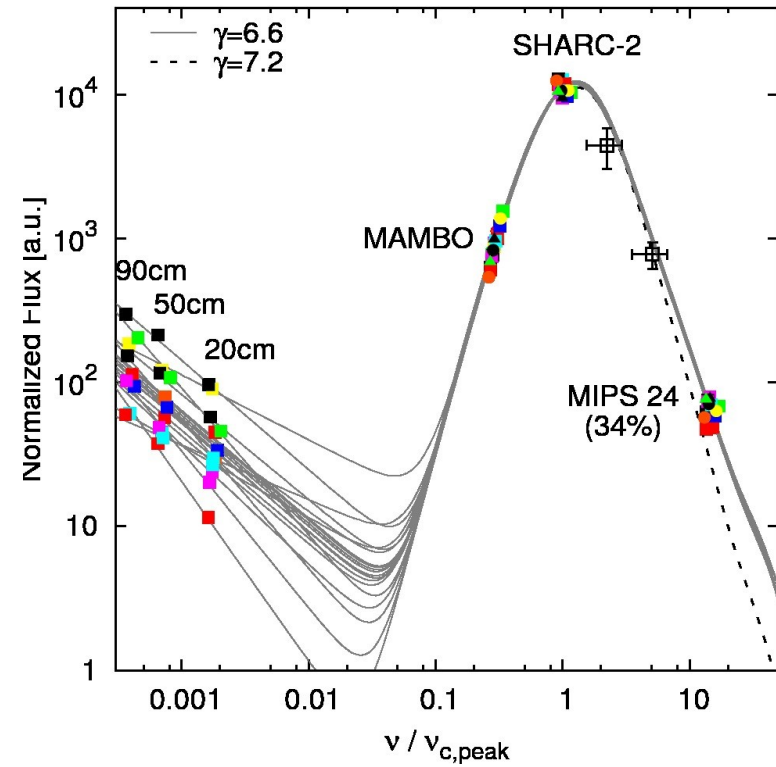
## Local Starbursts



$$\beta = 1.54 \pm 0.04 \quad (D \sim 2.5)$$

$$\gamma = 7.21 \pm 0.09$$

## Spitzer SMGs

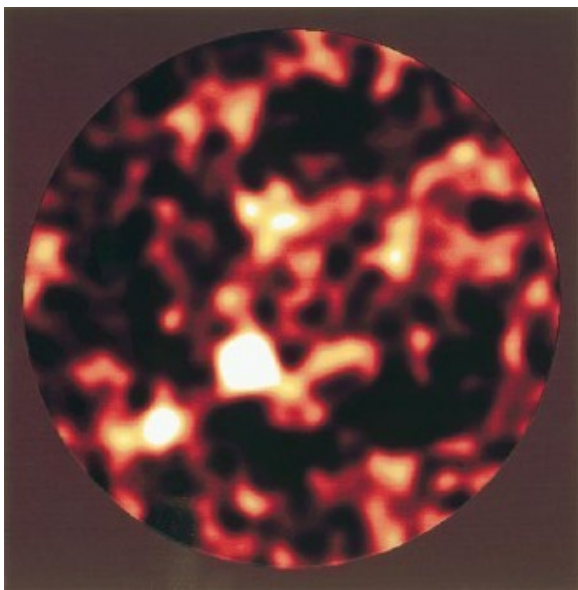


$$\gamma = 6.6 \pm 0.1$$

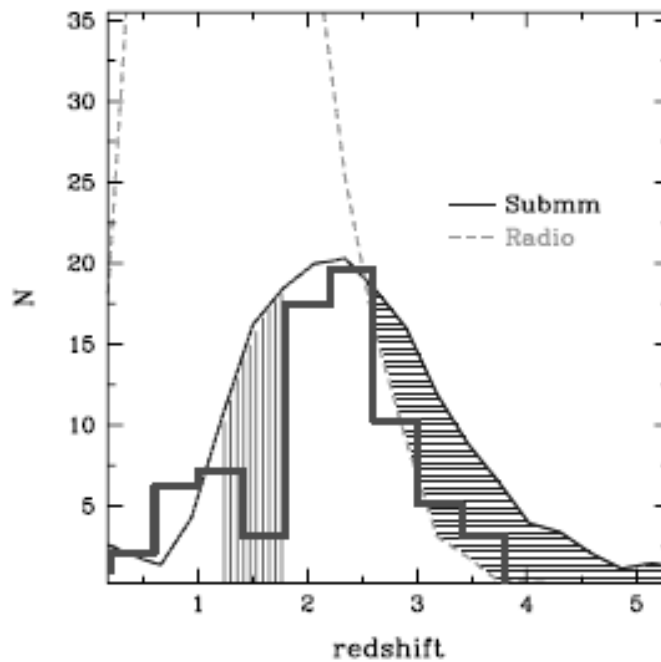


# The Issues: 10+ years of SMGs on 1 Slide...

Hughes et al. 1998

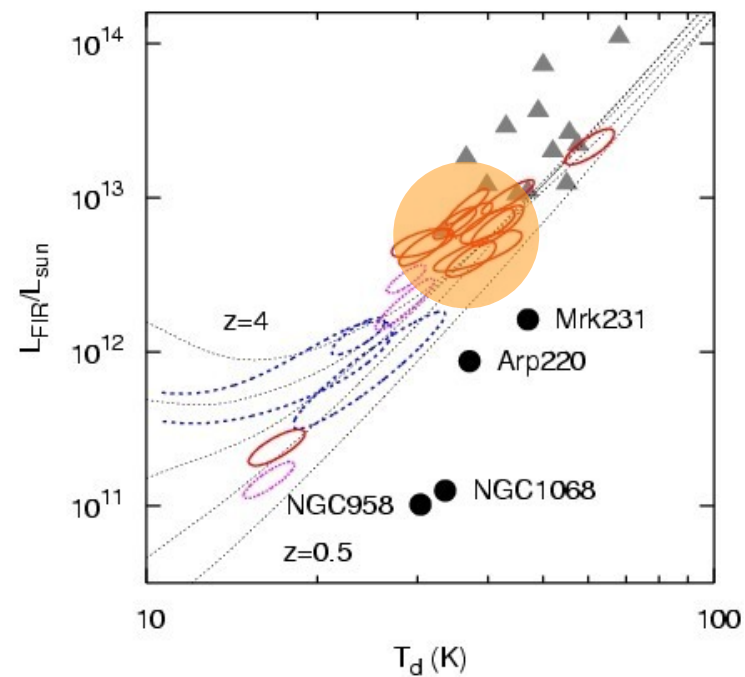


Chapman et al. 2003 & 2005



$z \sim 1-3$   
(radio cutoff)

Kovács et al. 2006



$T \sim 35 \text{ K}$   
 $L \sim 10^{13} L_{\text{sun}}$

**~300,000**  
Detections

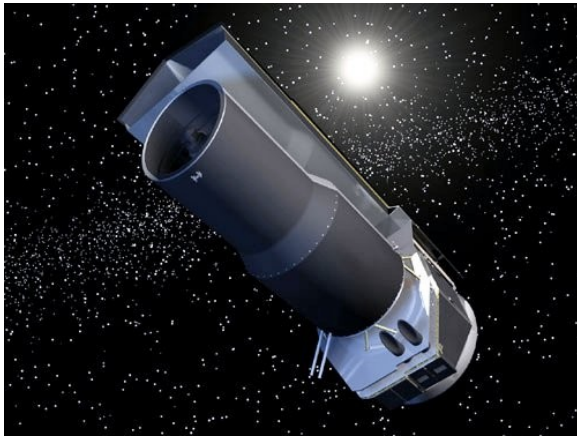


**~150**  
Redshifts via radio ID



**~40**  
Characterizations

# The Spitzer (mid-IR) Hope...

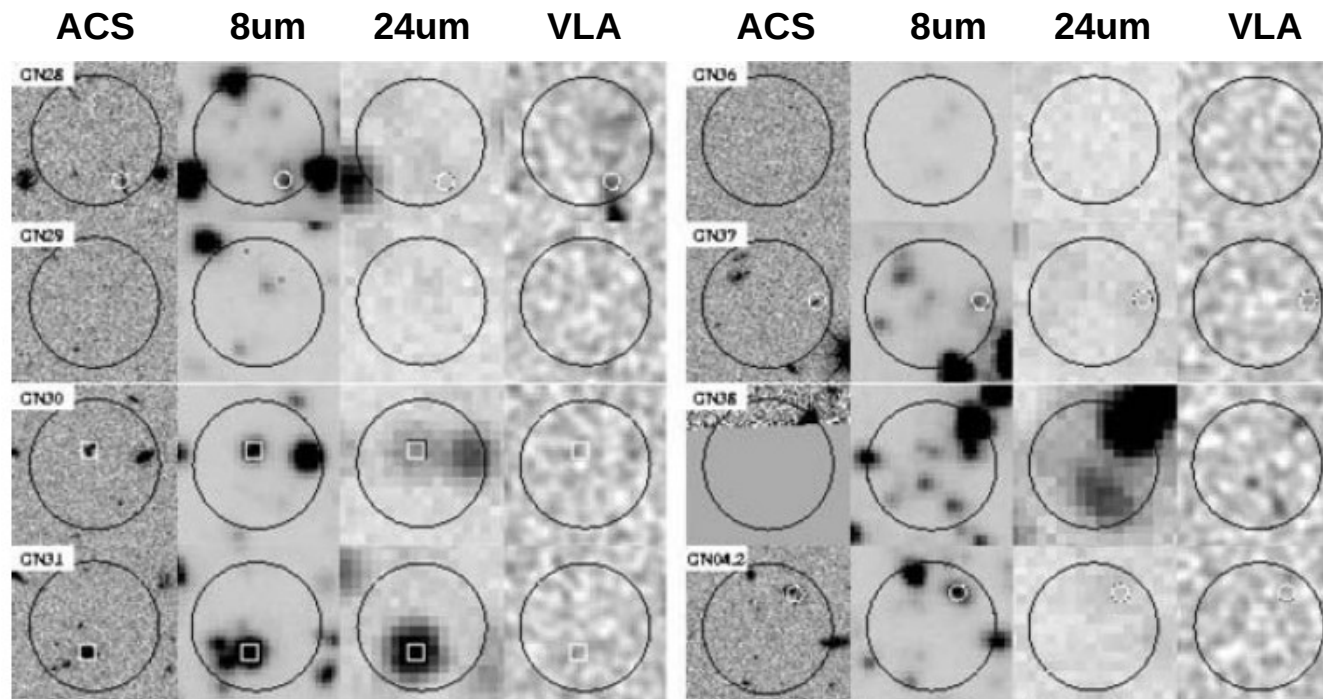


**Photometric Redshifts**

**Characterization (starburst vs AGN)**

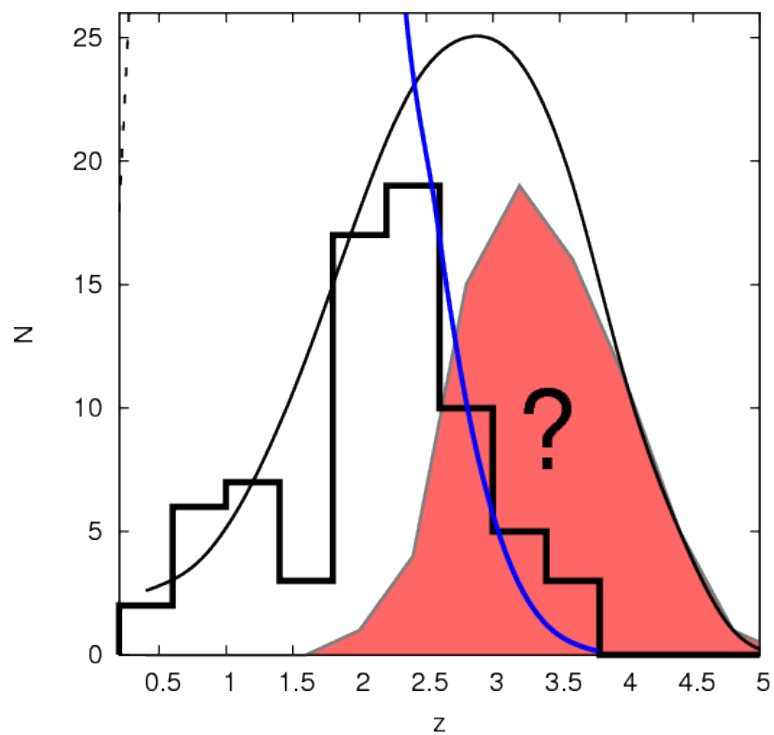
**Stellar Masses**

Only IRAC bands (and sometimes MIPS 24um) can see SMGs

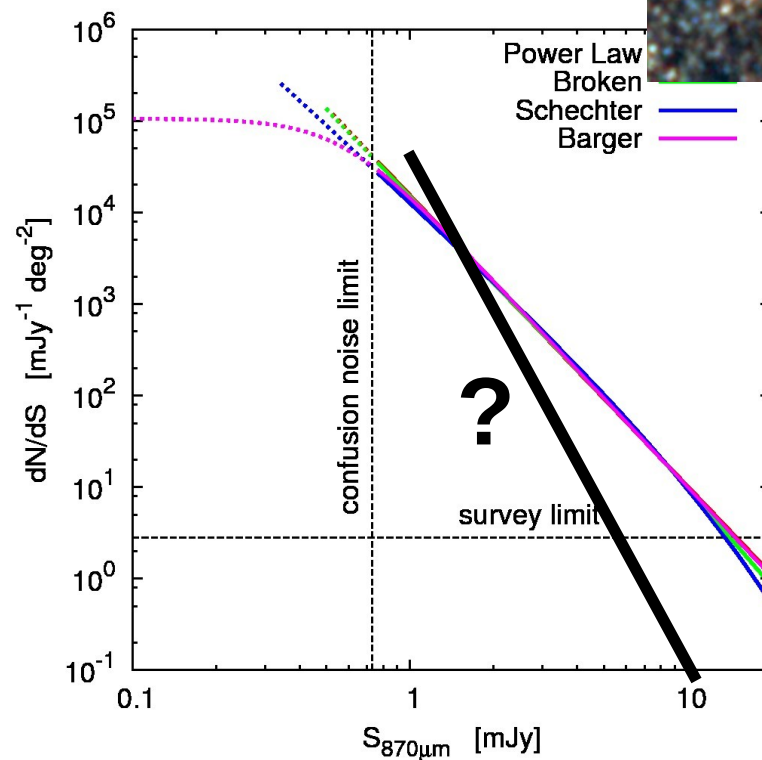


Pope et al. 2006

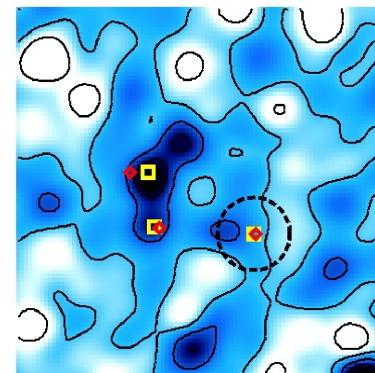
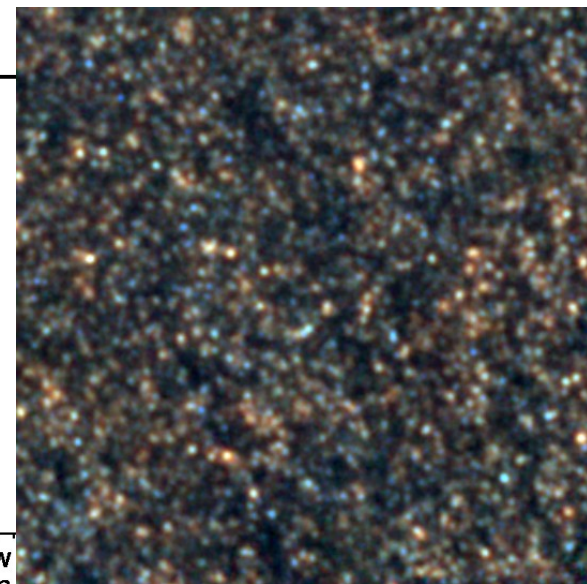
# The Million-Dollar Questions



Formation epochs  
Star-formation history  
Mass-assembly

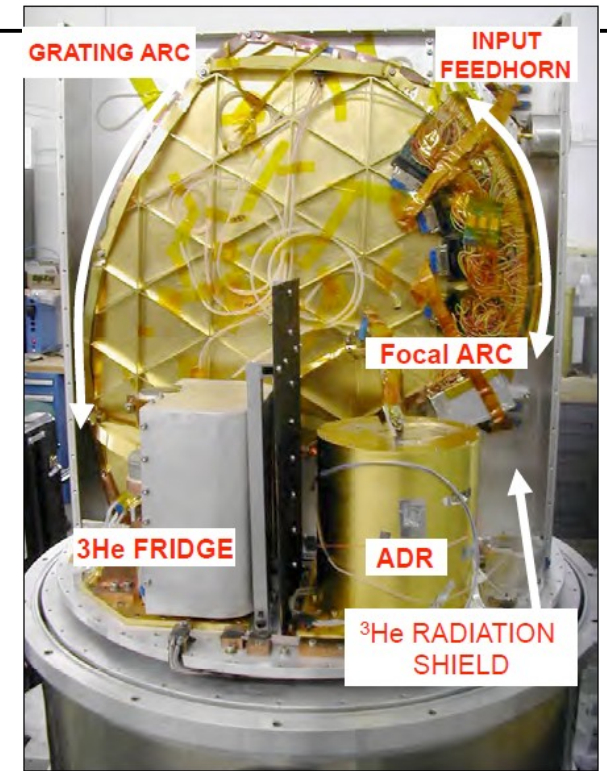
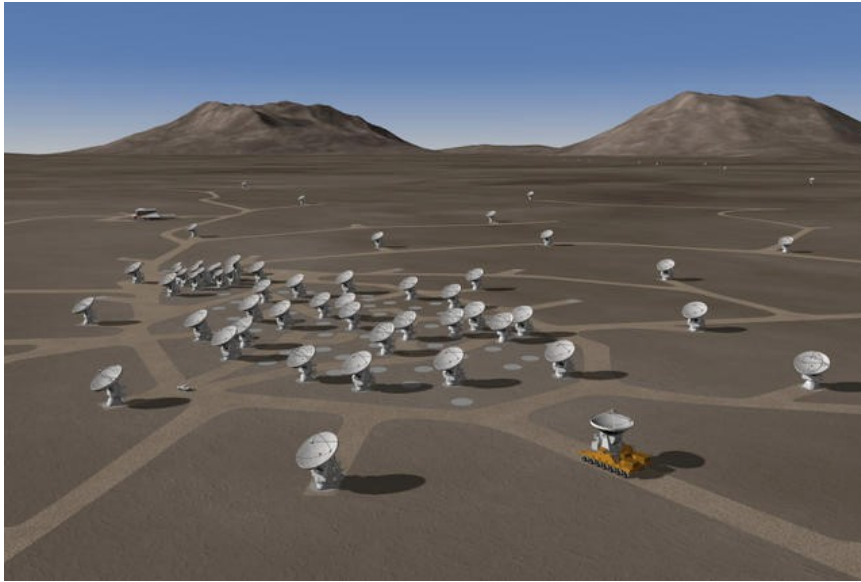


luminosity function  
clustering



# Solutions

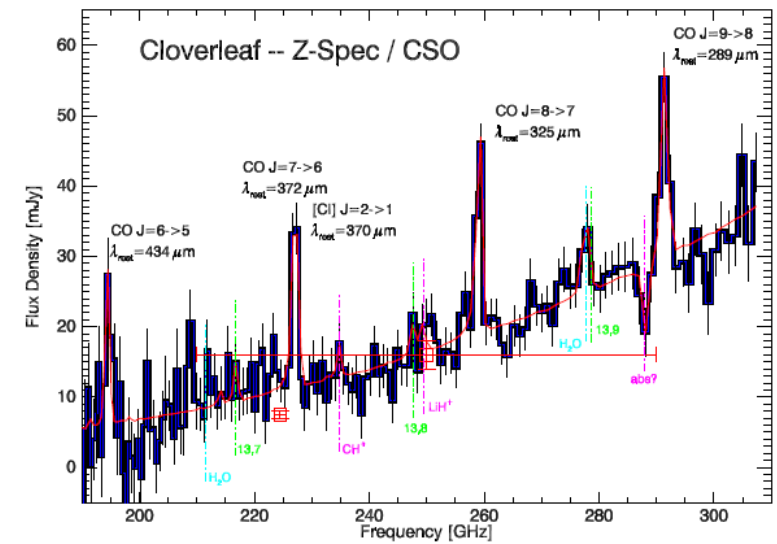
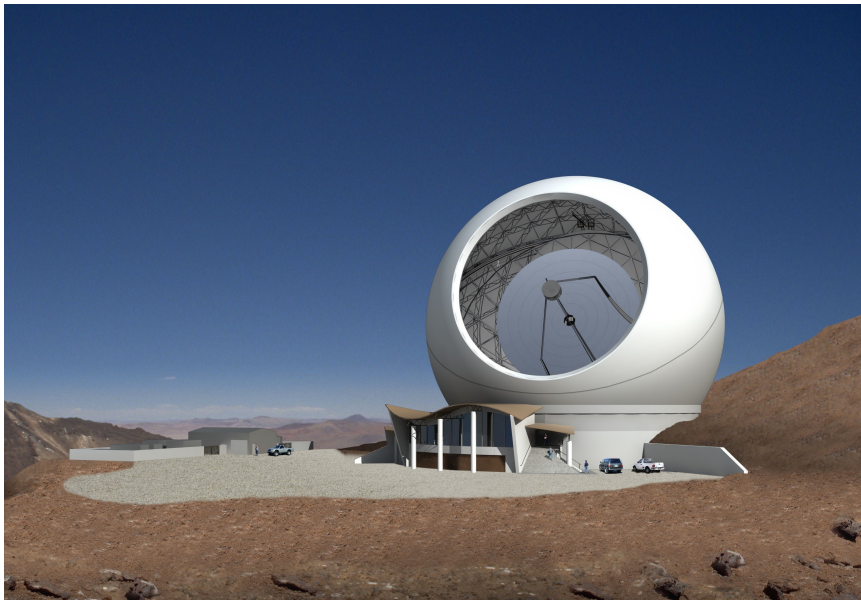
ALMA  
+  
EVLA



Bradford et al. 2010

multibeam  
R~700  
spectro-  
scopy

CCAT

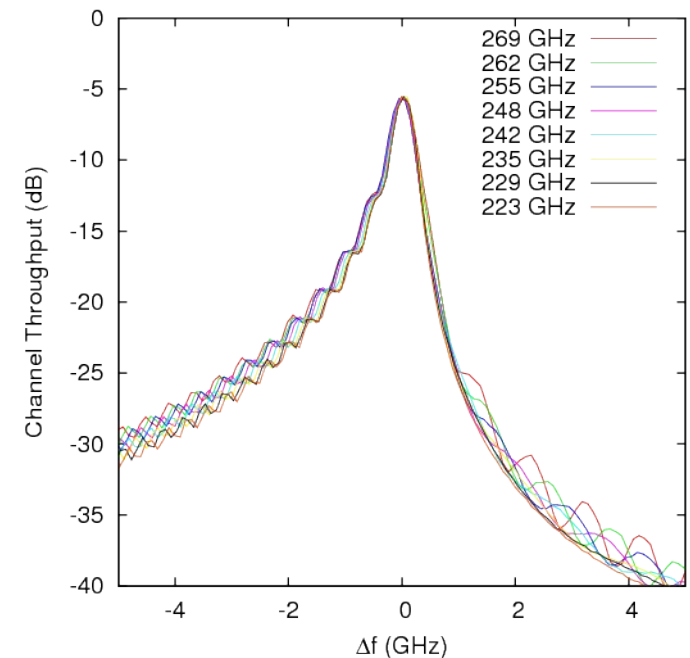
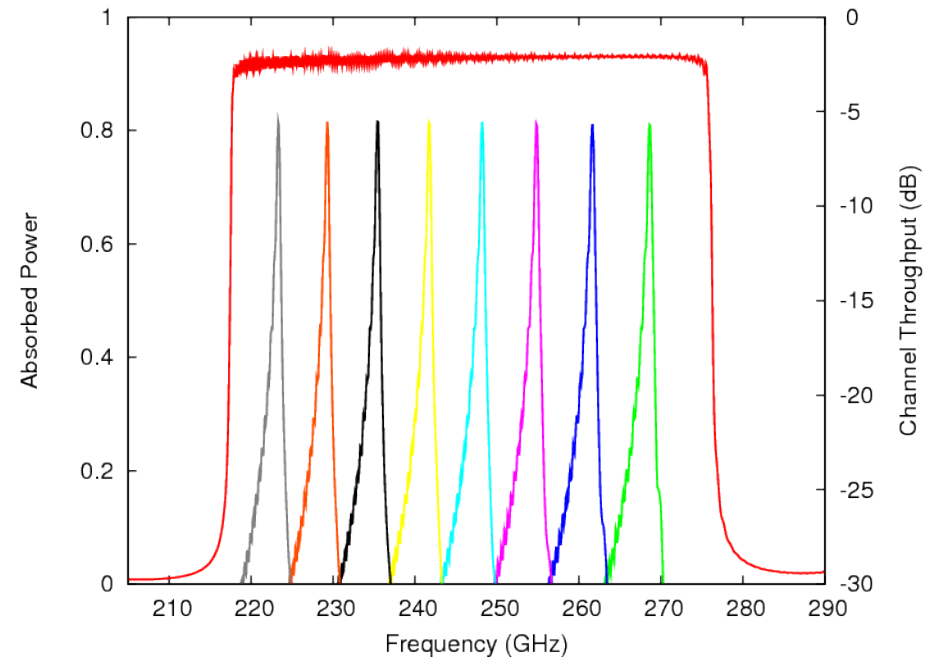
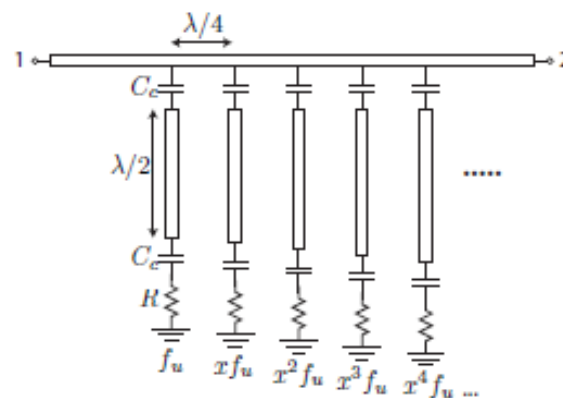
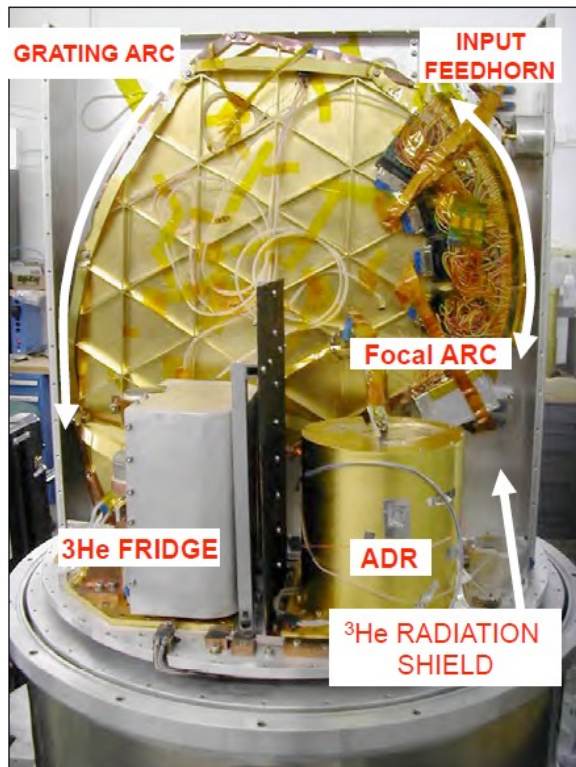


Fits “Z-spec” on an  $F\lambda$  pixel

100 pixel arrays  
for CCAT?

Over 100 redshifts per night

Over 100,000 redshifts in 3 years....



# THE END

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DRIVING  
PROHIBITED