

HOT AND COLD GAS AROUND THE MILKY WAY AND NEARBY GALAXIES

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- **Galactic HI High-Velocity Clouds (HVCs)**
- **Transition temp. gas (few 10^5 K) in HVCs**
- **HVC kinematics**
- **HI/OVI associated with nearby galaxies**

HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

Gas with velocities incompatible with a simple model of differential galactic rotation.

In practice: $|v_{\text{LSR}}|$ or $|v_{\text{DEV}}| > 90 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ [50 km s⁻¹ for IVCs]

ORIGINS

- Galactic Fountain
- Tidal Streams
- Accreting material
- Remnants of Milky Way (Local Group?) formation

KEY MEASUREMENTS

- Metallicities
- Distances
- Ionization conditions

HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

MEASURING HVC METALLICITIES

Absorption from dominant
ionization stage of undepleted
elements
=> UV spectra of OI, SII absorption

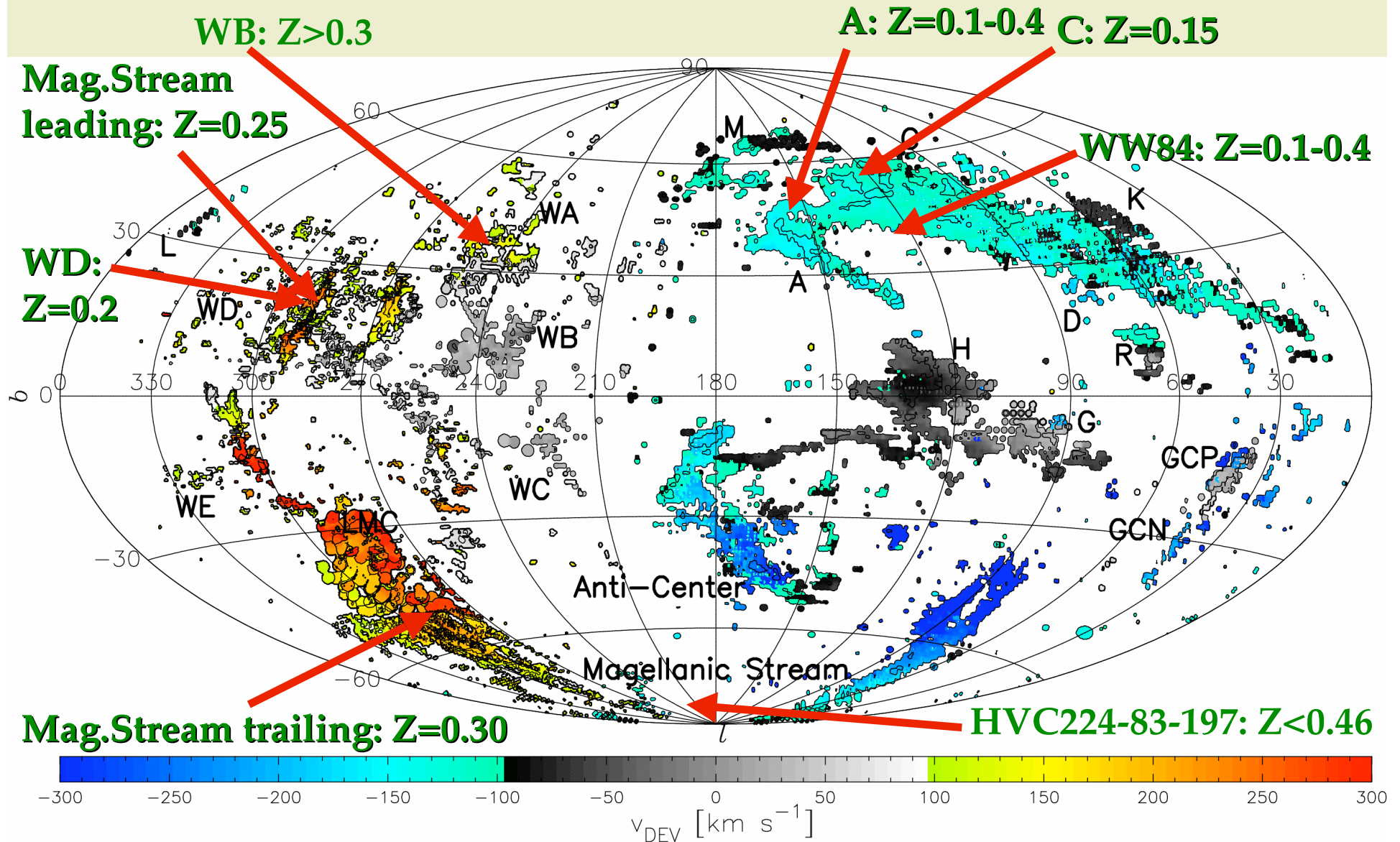
- Data from FUSE and HST:
- 3 IVCs: 1+ stars => about solar metallicity
- 7 HVCs: 1 AGN
- Complex C: 5 AGNs



(FUSE)

HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

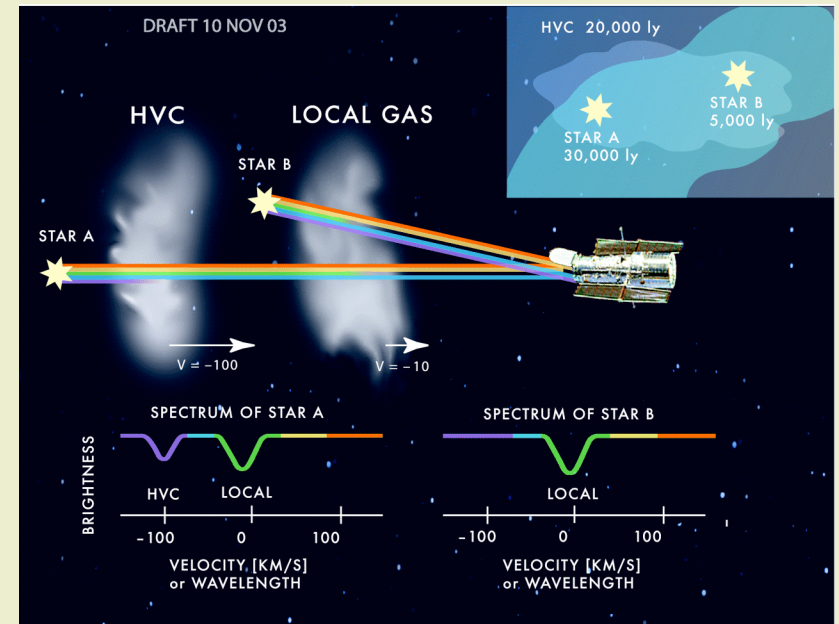
Six clouds with measured metallicity (Z); 2 with limits



HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

MEASURING HVC DISTANCES

**Look for absorption in stars
behind HVC
and significant non-detection
in stars in front of HVC
[usually using CaII K/H]**



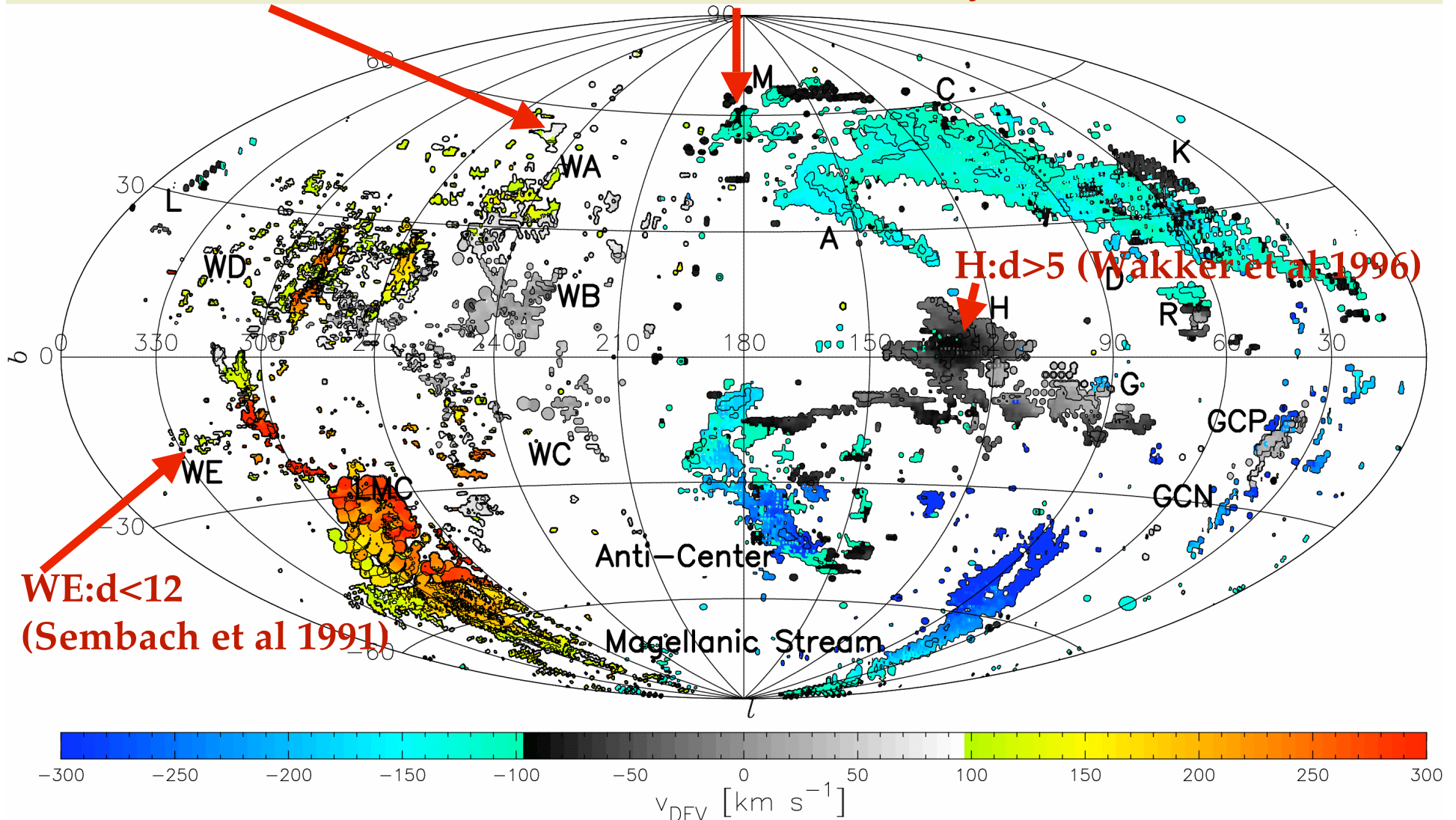
- **SDSS+2MASS+Other: 30000 BHB/RR candidates**
- **60 HVC/IVC fields: ~10 stars per 3 kpc interval (3000 total)**
- **SDSS/SEGUE/APO: classification spectroscopy+photometry (500 stars and growing)**
- **VLT/Keck: 30 stars, and growing**

HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

Four distance limits (3 upper; 1 lower)

WW35: $d < 8.8$ (Thom et al 2006)

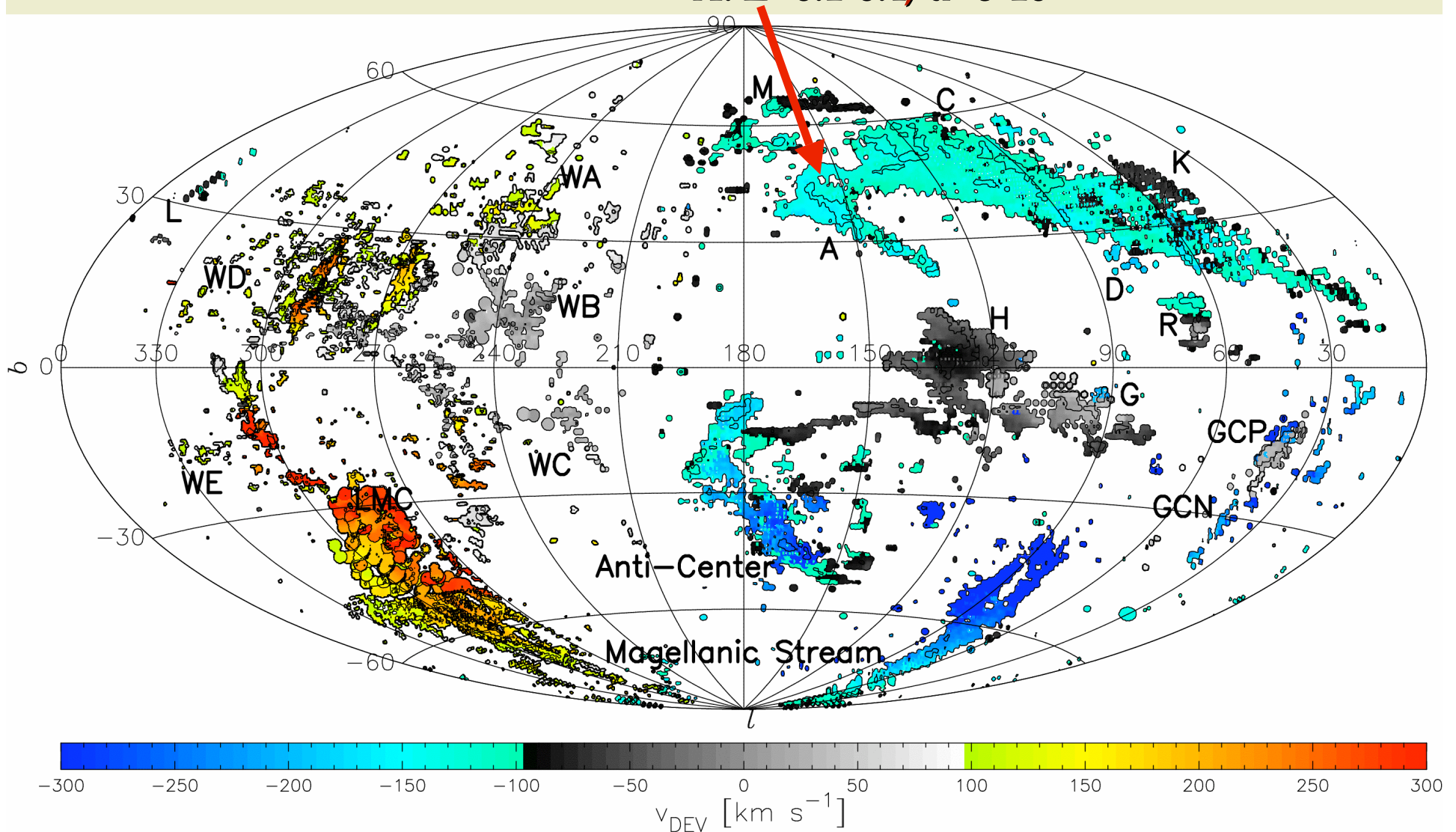
MII: $d < 4$ (Danly et al 1993)



HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

Four distance brackets - complex A: 8-10 kpc
(van Woerden et al 1999)

A: $Z=0.1-0.4$; $d=8-10$

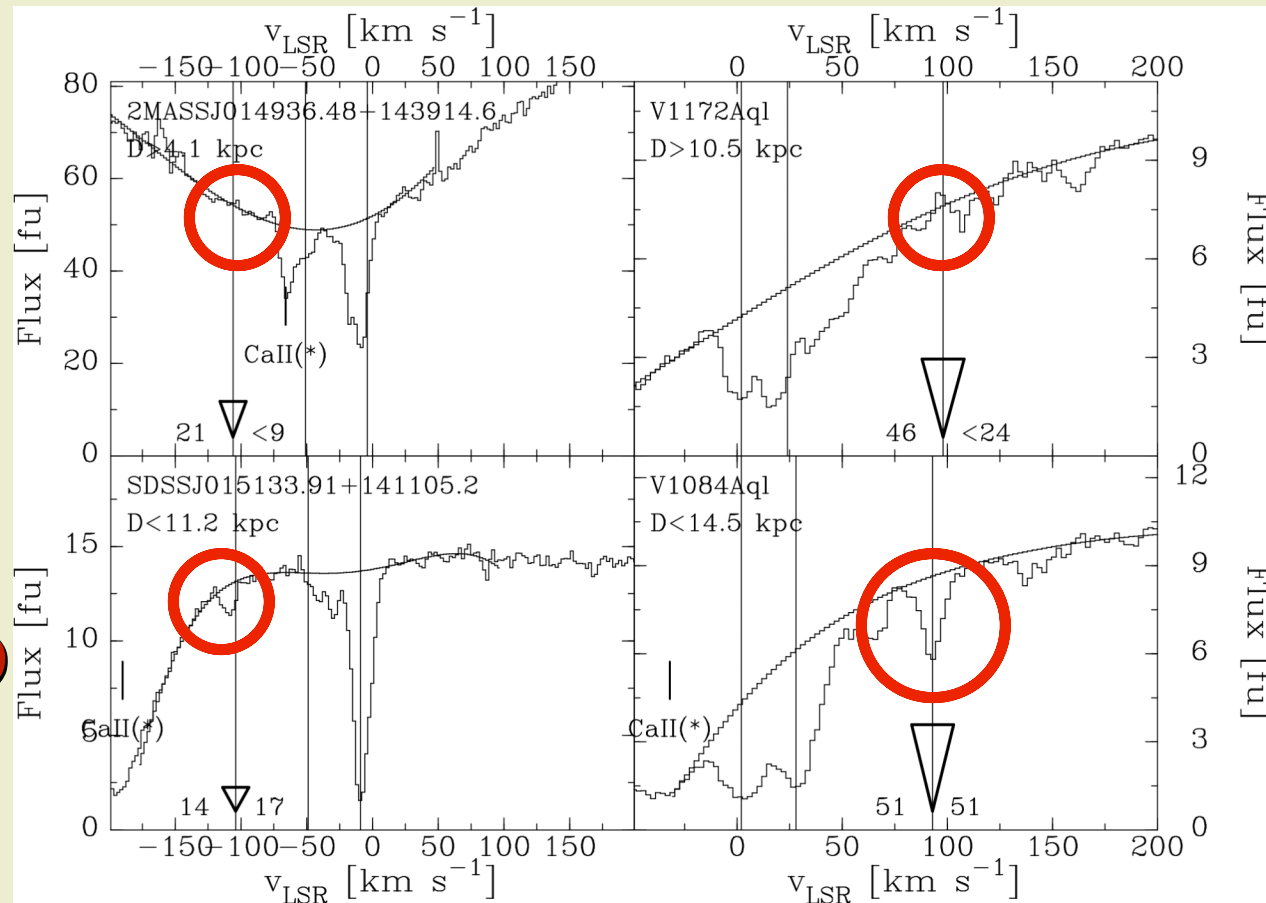


HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

VLT UVES data (2006) BHB/RR Lyrae stars (1-3 hours/star)

**2MASS
J014936
(4.1 kpc)**

**SDSS
J015133
(11.2 kpc)**



**V1172Aql
(10.5 kpc)**

**V1084Aql
(14.5 kpc)**

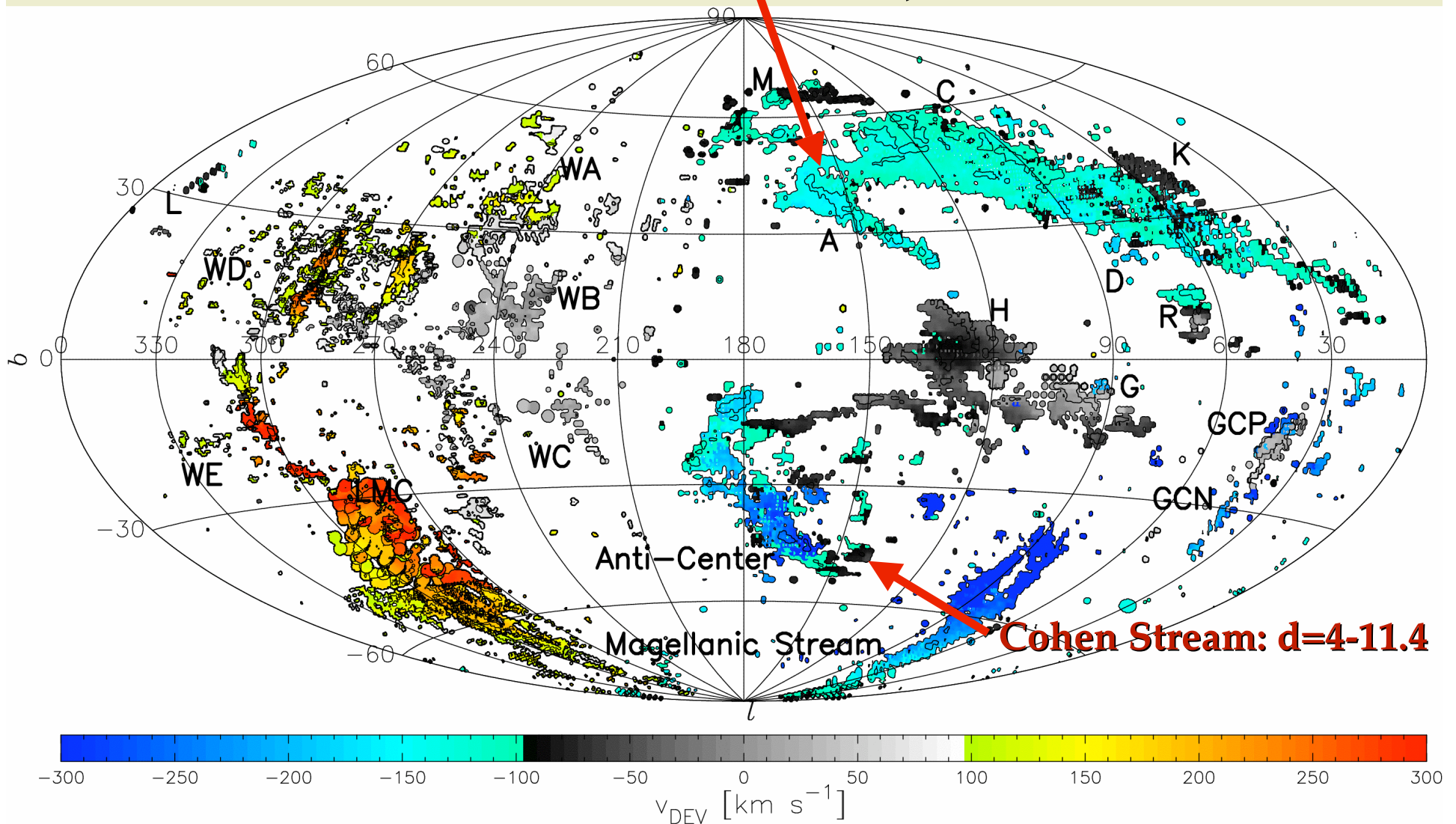
Cohen Stream

Complex GCP

HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

Four distance brackets - Cohen Stream: 4-11 kpc

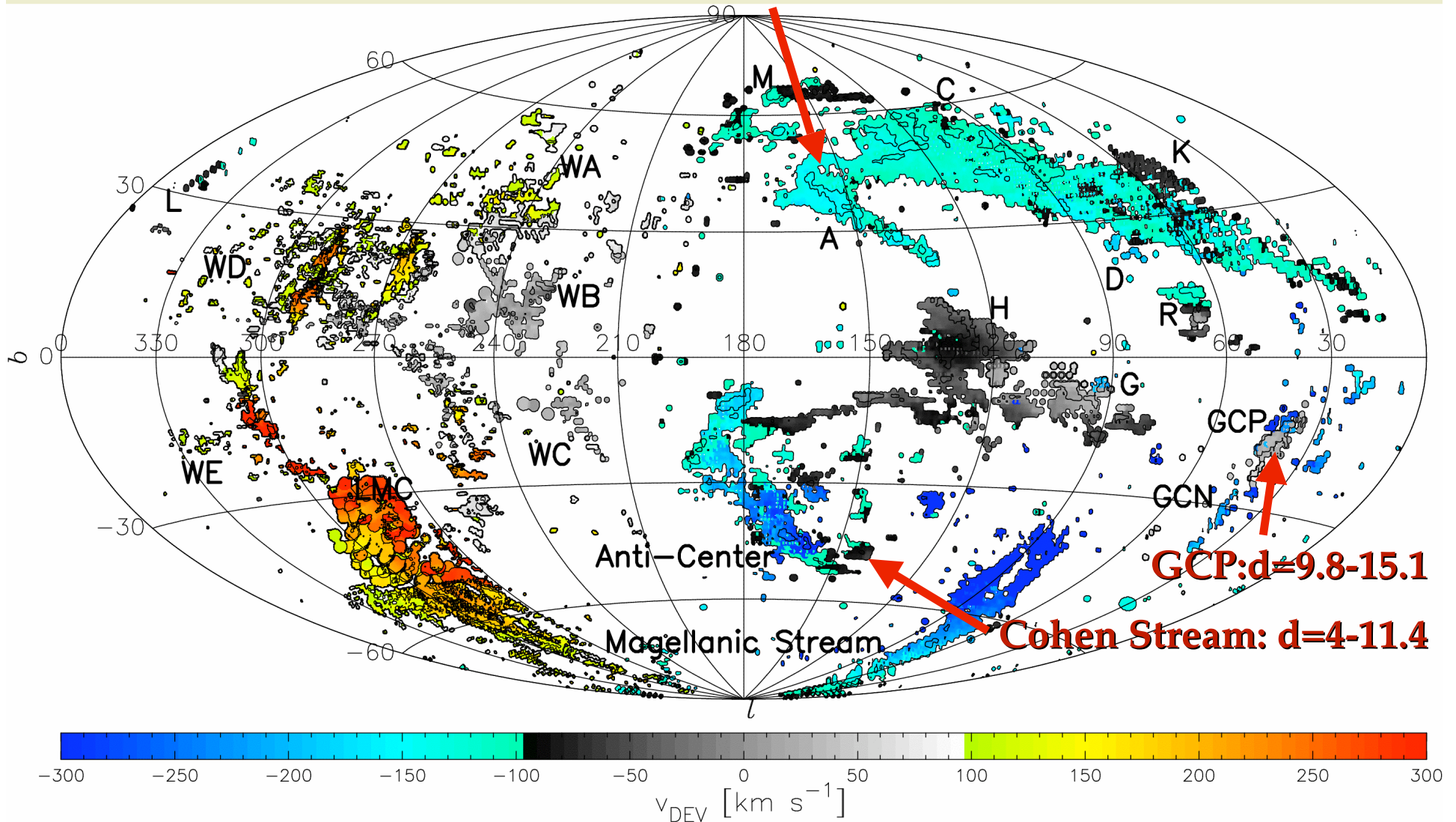
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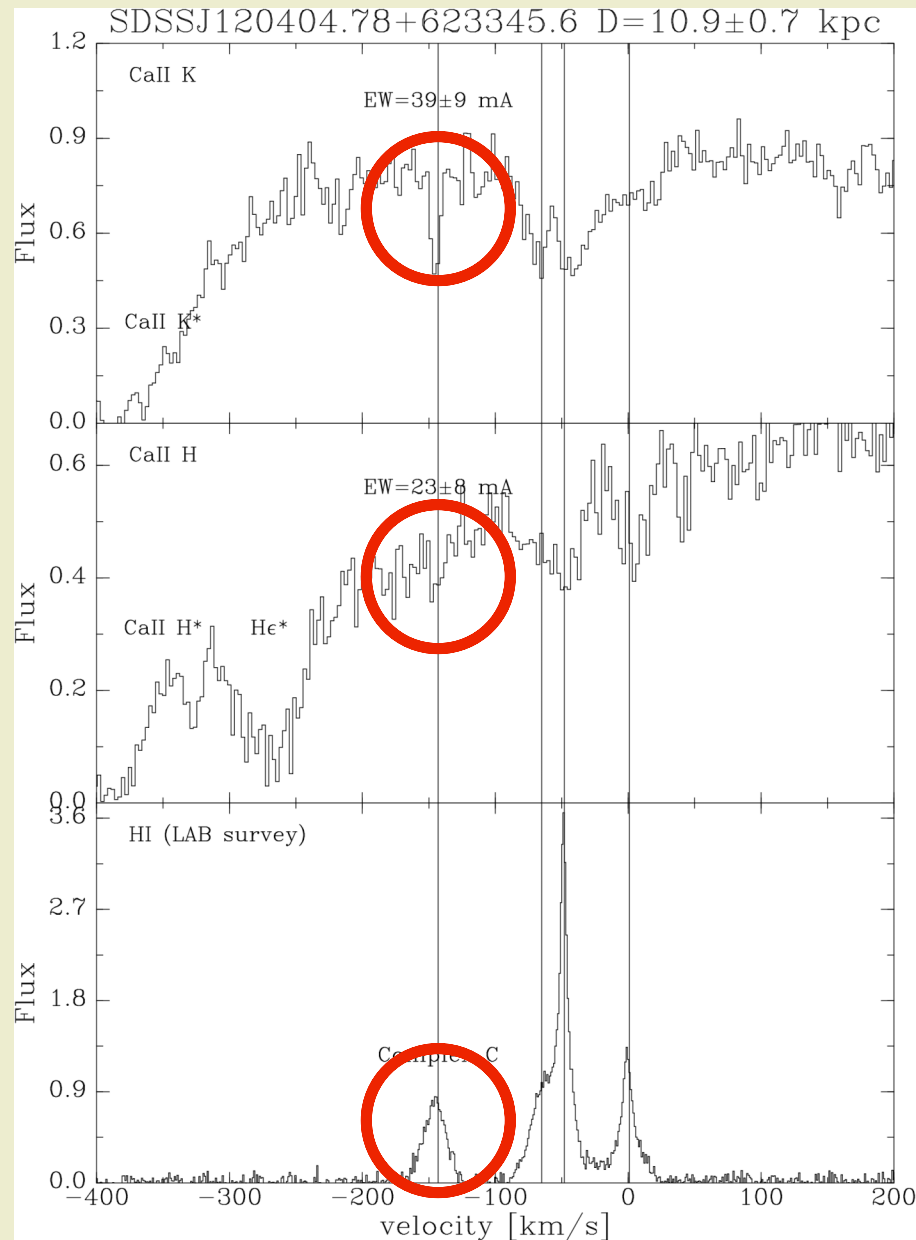
HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

Four distance brackets - GCP/Smith Cloud/HVC40-15+100: 10-15

A: $Z=0.1-0.4$; $d=8-10$



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**Keck data - April 24 2007
(preliminary reduction)**

**SDSSJ120404.78+623345.6
BHB star at 11 kpc**

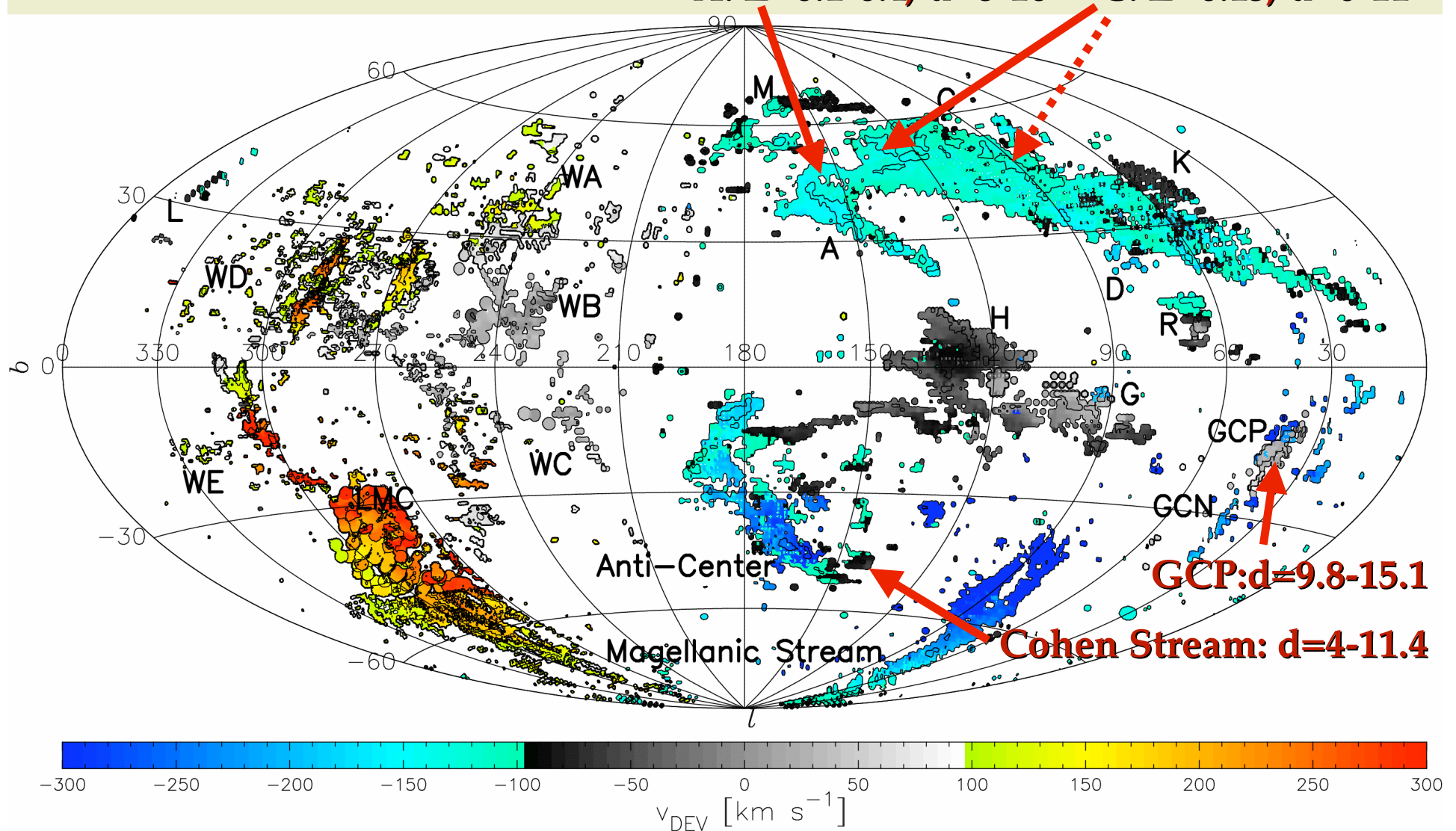
**Apparent complex C
CaII K/H absorption**

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Four distance brackets - Complex C: 6-11 kpc

A: $Z=0.1-0.4$; $d=8-10$

C: $Z=0.15$; $d=6-11$



OVI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

MEASURING IONIZATION CONDITIONS

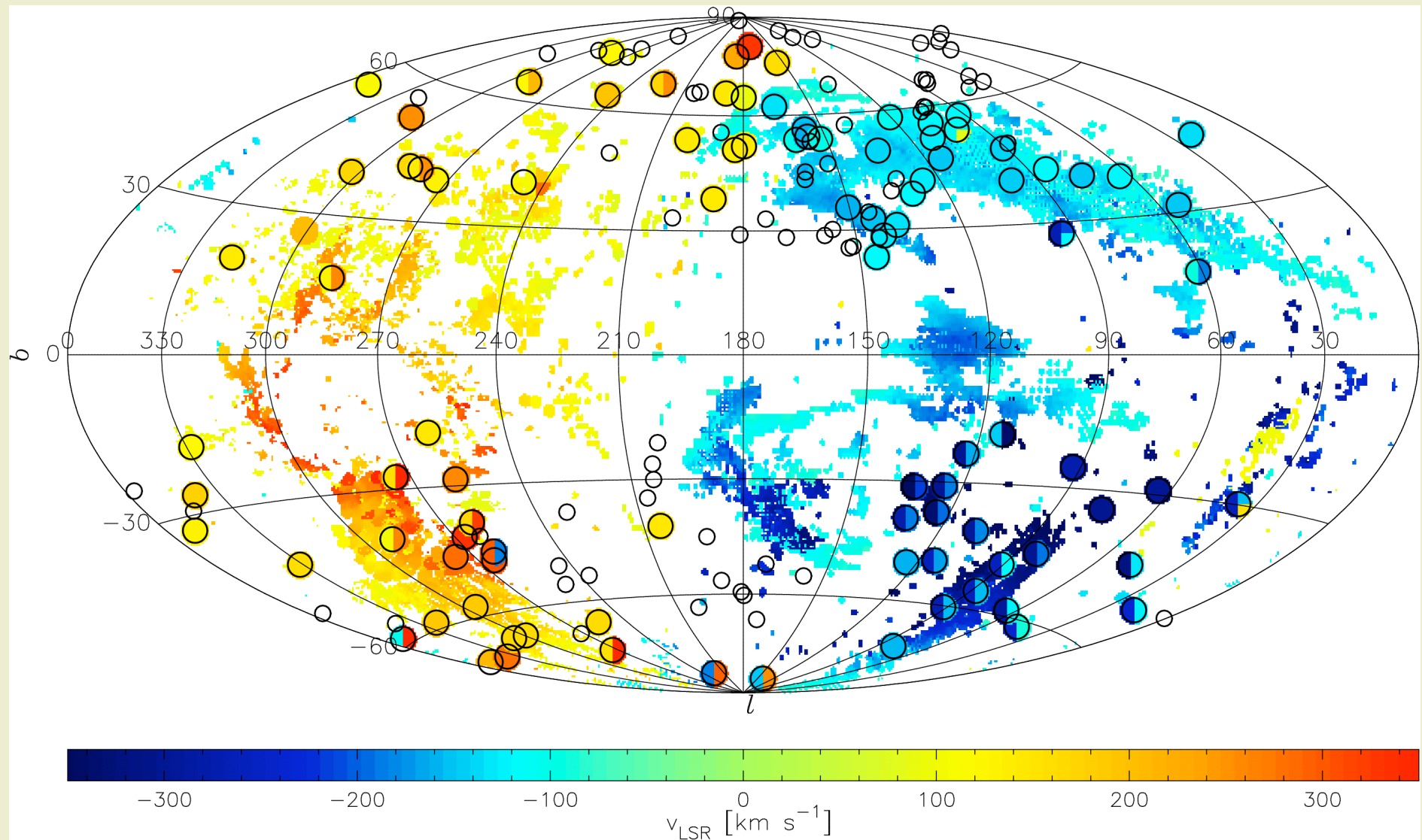
O abundance + ~20% O as OVI +
linestrength + 113.9 eV I.P. =>

1031.93 Å line of OVI is good
tracer of transition temperature
(few 10^5 K) gas
[Gas that is cooling or heating]

- FUSE
(Wakker/Savage/Sembach et al 2003)
- 176 lines of sight
- High-velocity OVI in 104 l.o.s. (60% of l.o.s.)
- 85% (36 of 42) l.o.s. with 21-cm HVC have associated OVI



OVI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS



Continues colors: velocities of H I 21 cm emission ($|v_{\text{LSR}}| > 100 \text{ km s}^{-1}$)
Circles: velocities of OVI absorption

HVC KINEMATICS

Parametrize locations

Number density = radial power law with some size scale
distribute around MW or MW+M31 or MW+M31+LG

Parametrize velocity field

Bulge+Disk+Halo potential $\Rightarrow v(\text{rot}) \Rightarrow v(\text{tangential})$

Add radial infall component (0 - 100 km/s)

Add dispersions (~ 50 km/s)

$\Rightarrow$ Predictions for (l, b, v_{LSR})

Parametrize cloud parameters

Power law mass distribution, fixed density

$\Rightarrow$ Predictions for radius, area, flux, $T_{\text{B}}(\text{HI})$

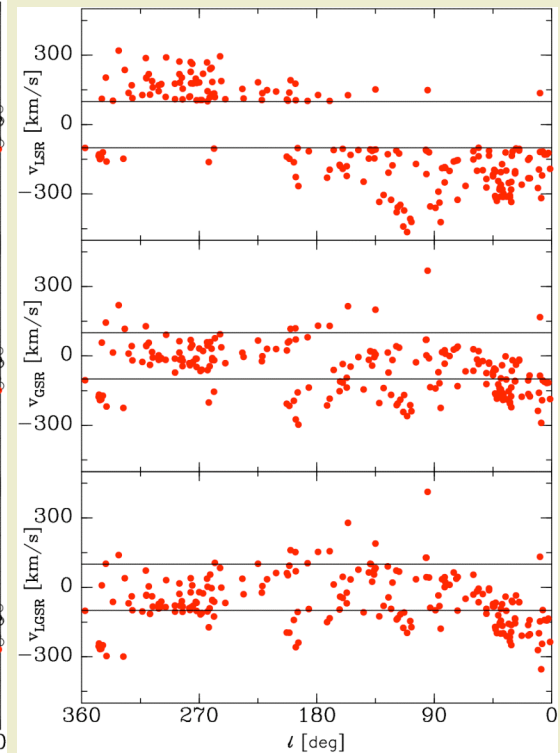
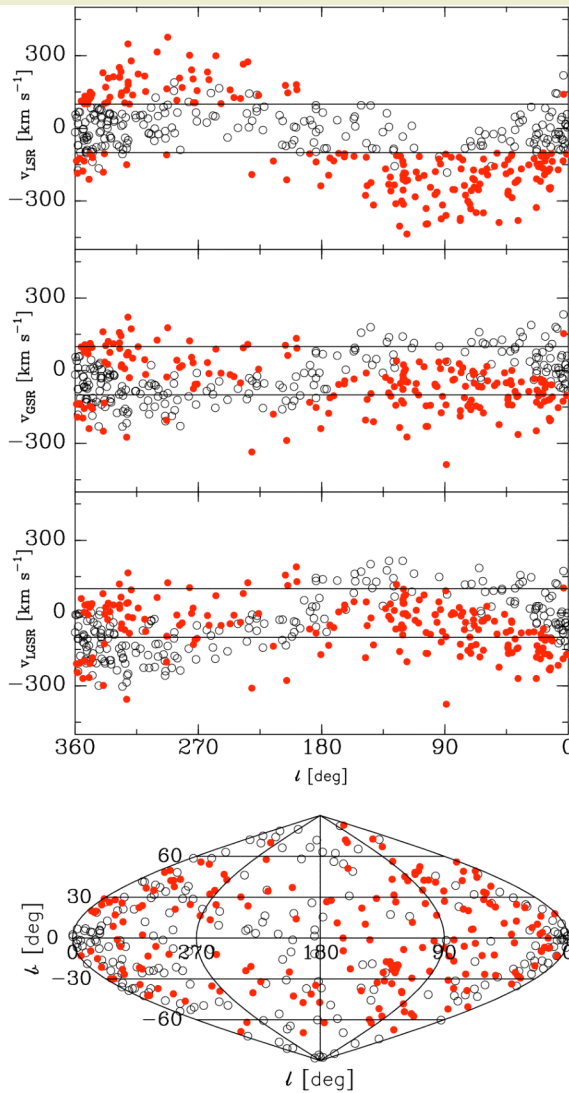
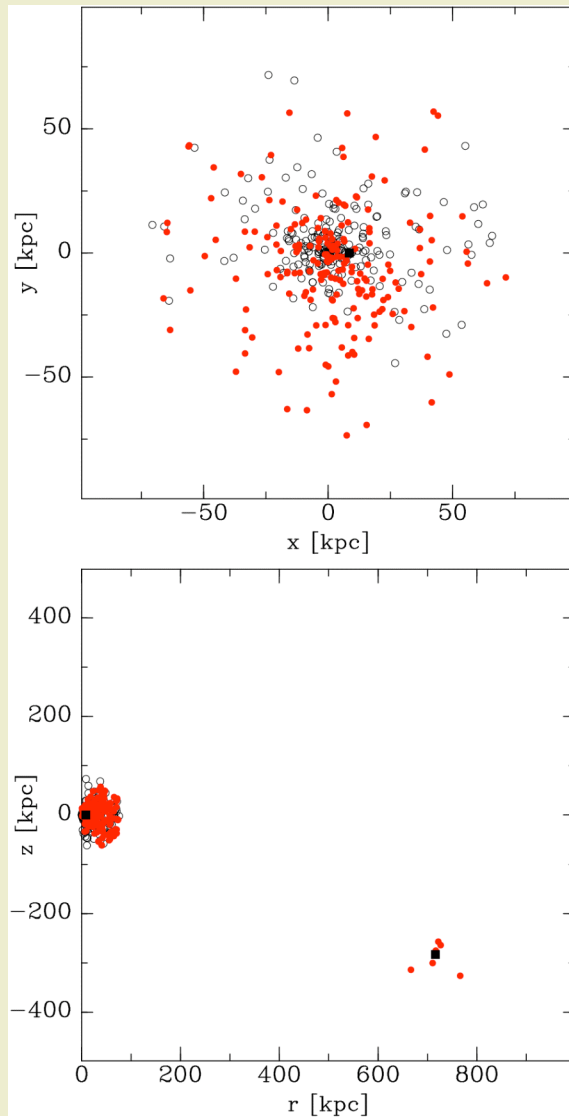
Apply observational selection criteria

HVC KINEMATICS

Model xy/rz view

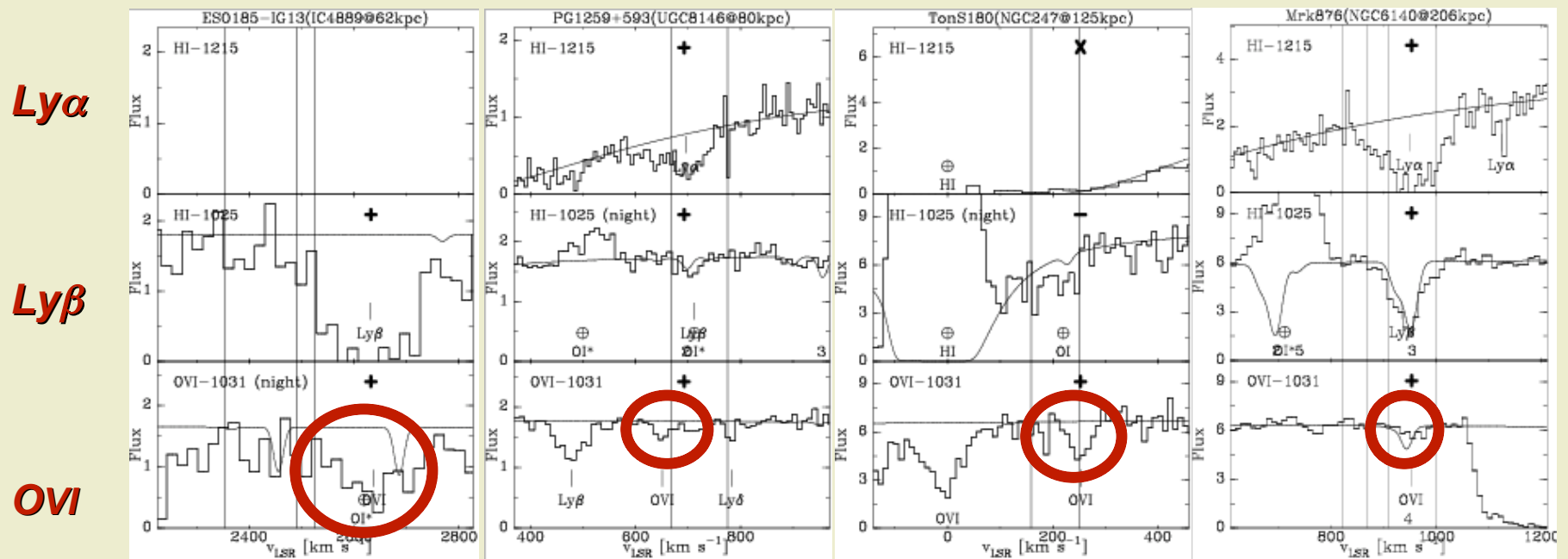
$v_{\text{LSR/GSR/LGSR}}(l)$
(model)

$v_{\text{LSR/GSR/LGSR}}(l)$
(data)



EXTRAGALACTIC OVI/HI SURVEY

- 73 AGN with $v > 7000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
- Find galaxies with $v < 5000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ and $b < 1 \text{ Mpc}$
- Look for absorption at $v \sim v(\text{gal})$



AGN
Galaxy
Imp.Par.

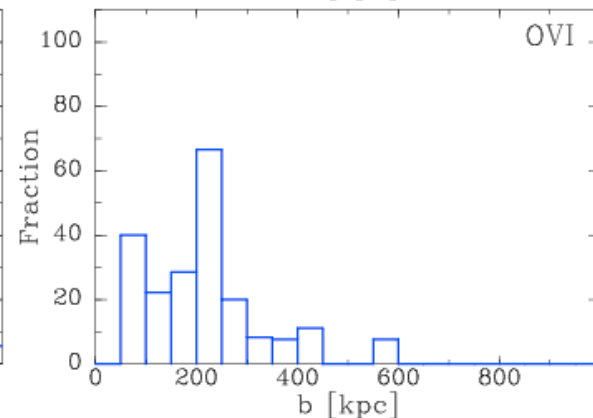
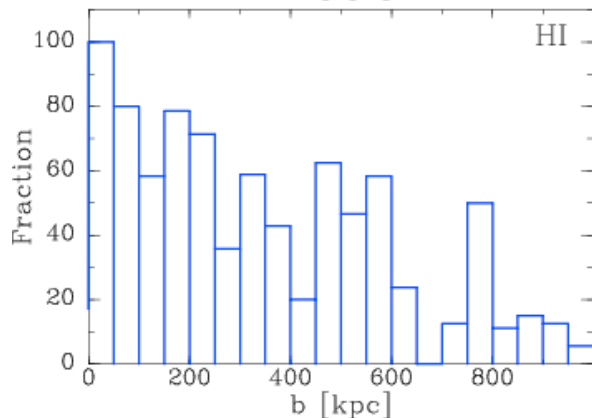
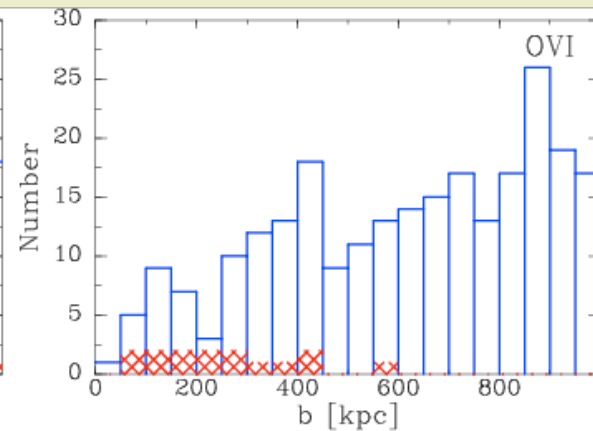
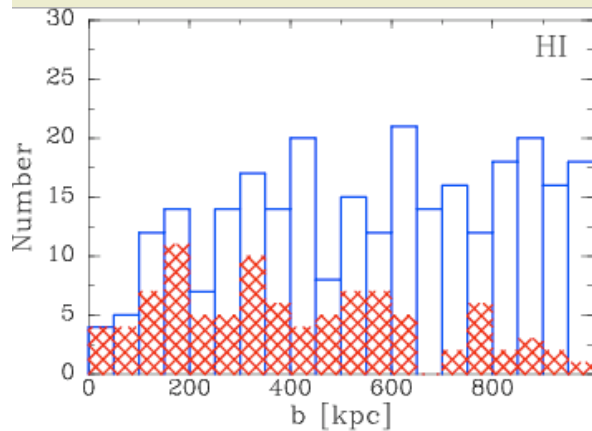
ESO185-IG13
IC4889
b=62 kpc

PG1259+593
UGC8146
b=80 kpc

Ton S180
NGC247
b=125 kpc

Mrk876
NGC6140
b=206 kpc

EXTRAGALACTIC OVI/HI SURVEY



→ **b(kpc)**

OVI

b(kpc)	#det	#los	
560-1000	0	147	0%
300-560	5	68	7%
100-300	7	30	23%
<100	3	6	50%

HI

b(kpc)	#det	#los	
>1000	28		
560-1000	25	144	17%
300-560	35	79	44%
100-300	27	52	60%
<100	6	7	86%

Top: number of **sightlines/detections**

Bottom: fraction of **detections**

EXTRAGALACTIC OVI/HI SURVEY

$$N(\text{H};\text{OVI}) = N(\text{O VI}) / f / A_{\text{O}} / Z$$

$$N(\text{O VI}) \sim 10^{13.2} - 10^{13.9} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

f = fraction of O in OVI < 20%

A = oxygen abundance = $10^{-3.34}$

Z = metallicity, assume ~ 0.1 solar

$$N(\text{H};\text{OVI}) > 10^{18.2} - 10^{18.9} \quad \text{in interface containing OVI}$$

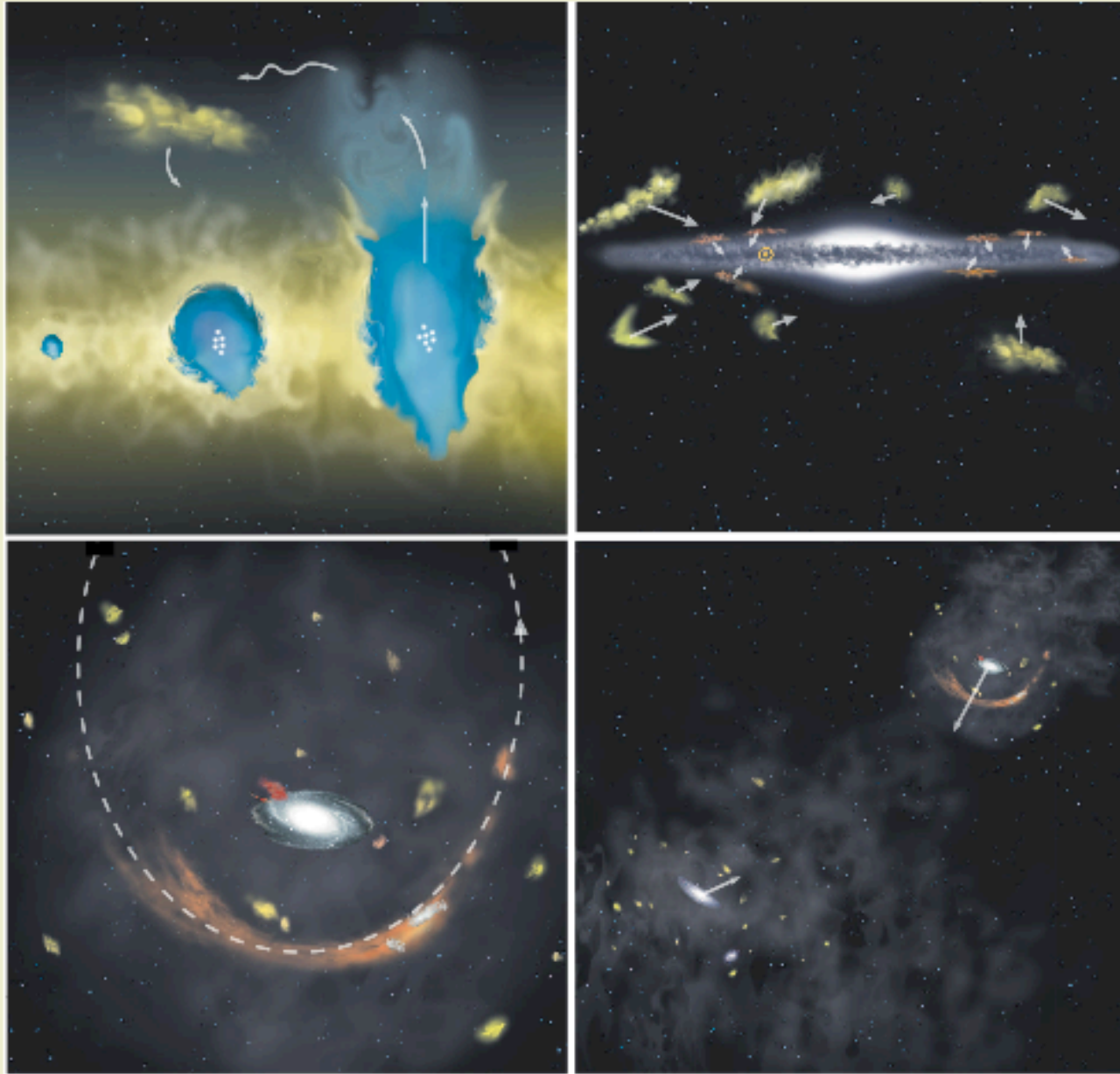
$$M(\text{H};\text{OVI}) = \sum A(R) N(\text{H};\text{OVI}) c(\text{OVI})$$

$A(R)$ = Area of 50 kpc ring

$c(\text{OVI})$ = detection fraction in ring

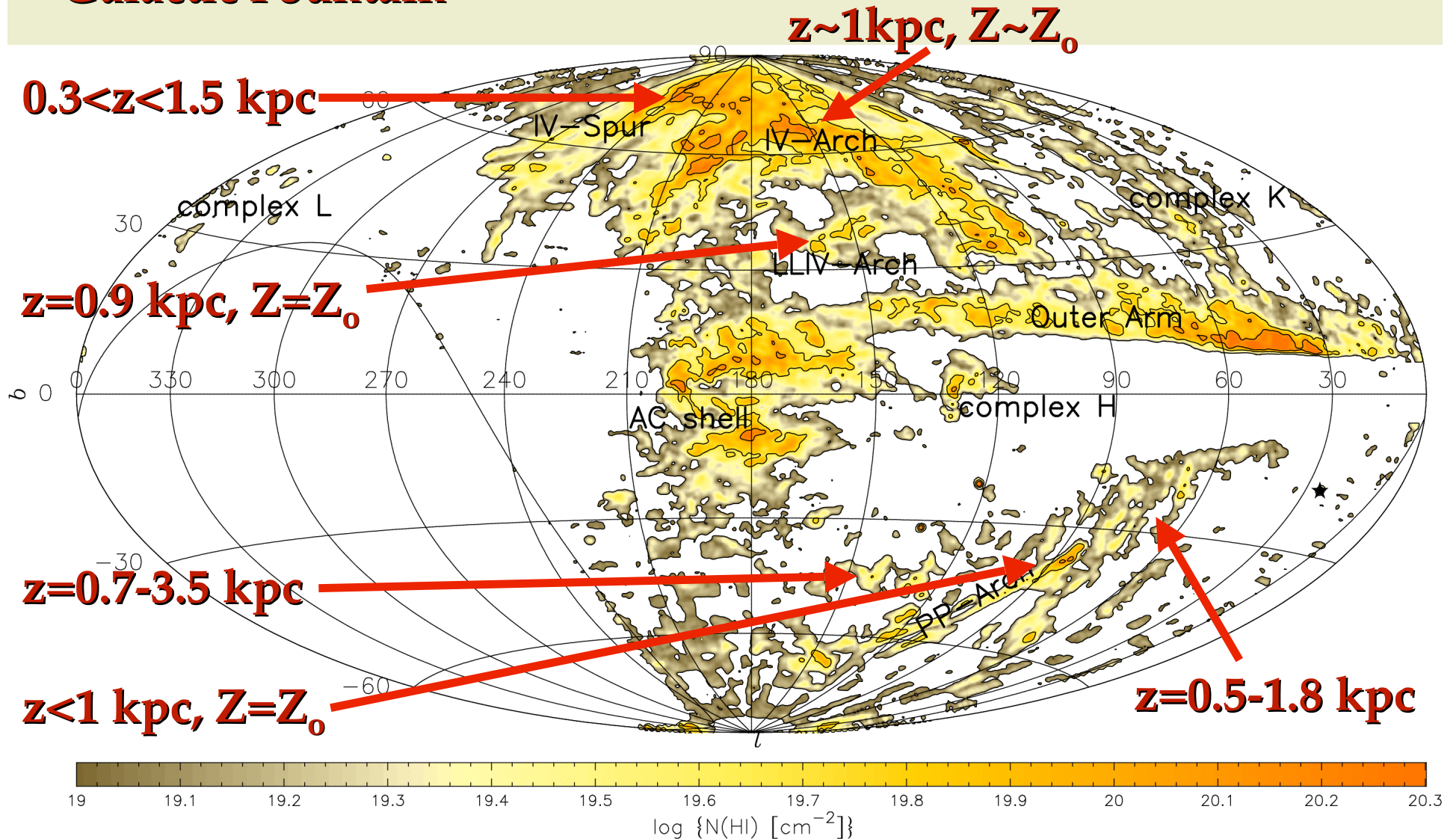
$$M(\text{H};\text{OVI}) \sim 10^{9.6} M_{\odot} \quad \text{of halo gas currently in interfaces}$$

SUMMARY

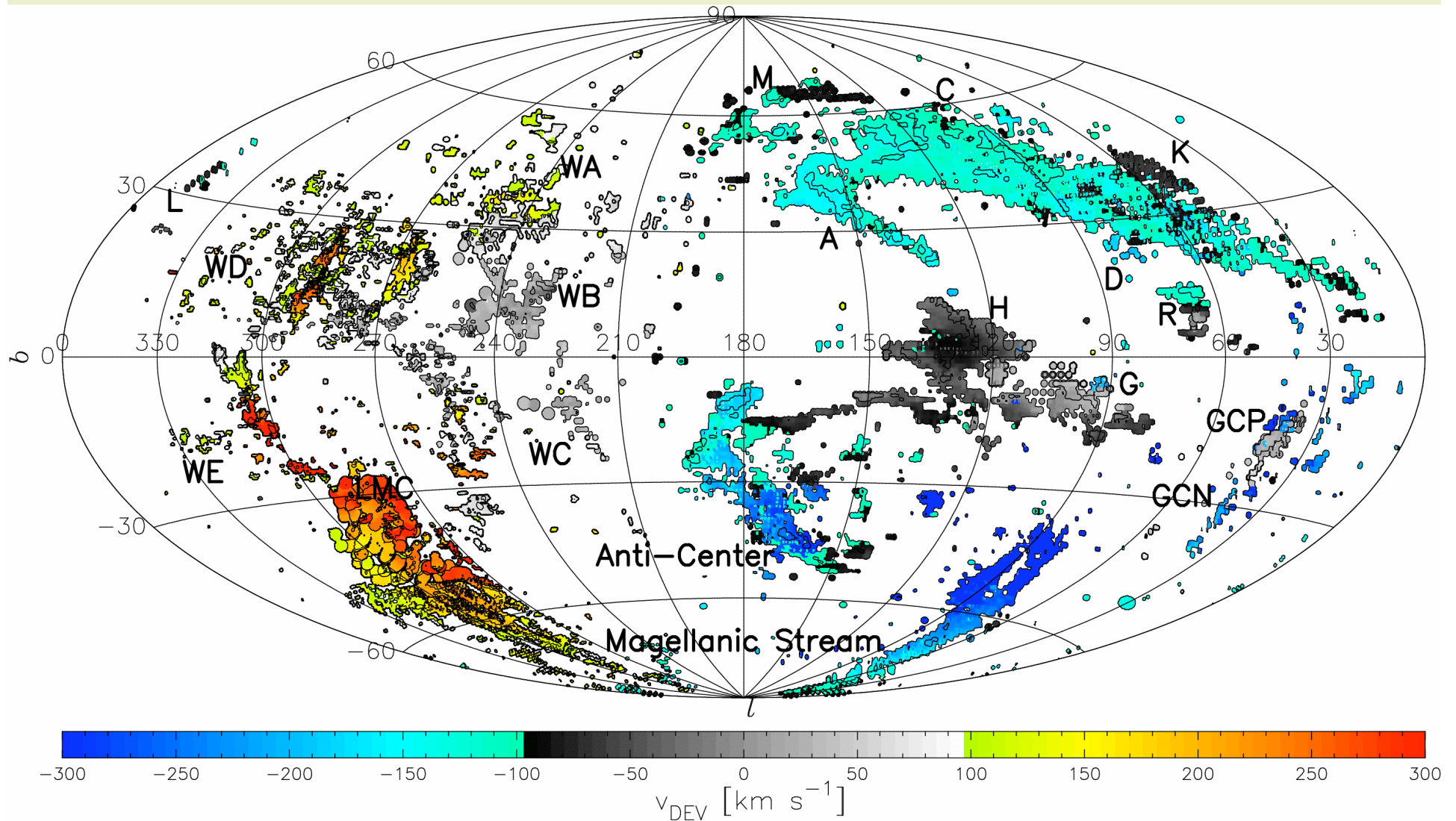


INTERMEDIATE-VELOCITY CLOUDS

About 1 kpc above Galactic plane, solar metallicity =>
Galactic Fountain

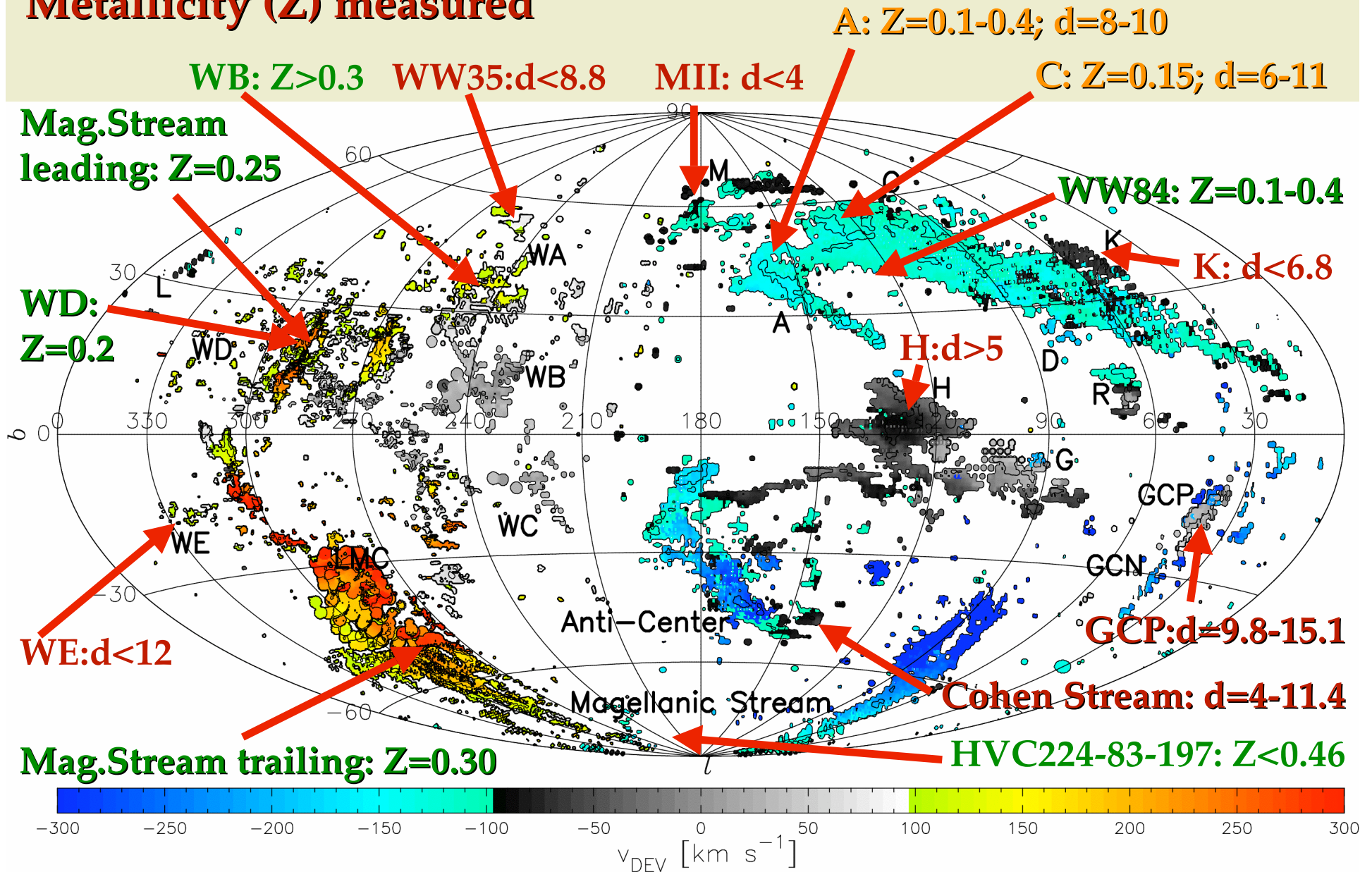


HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

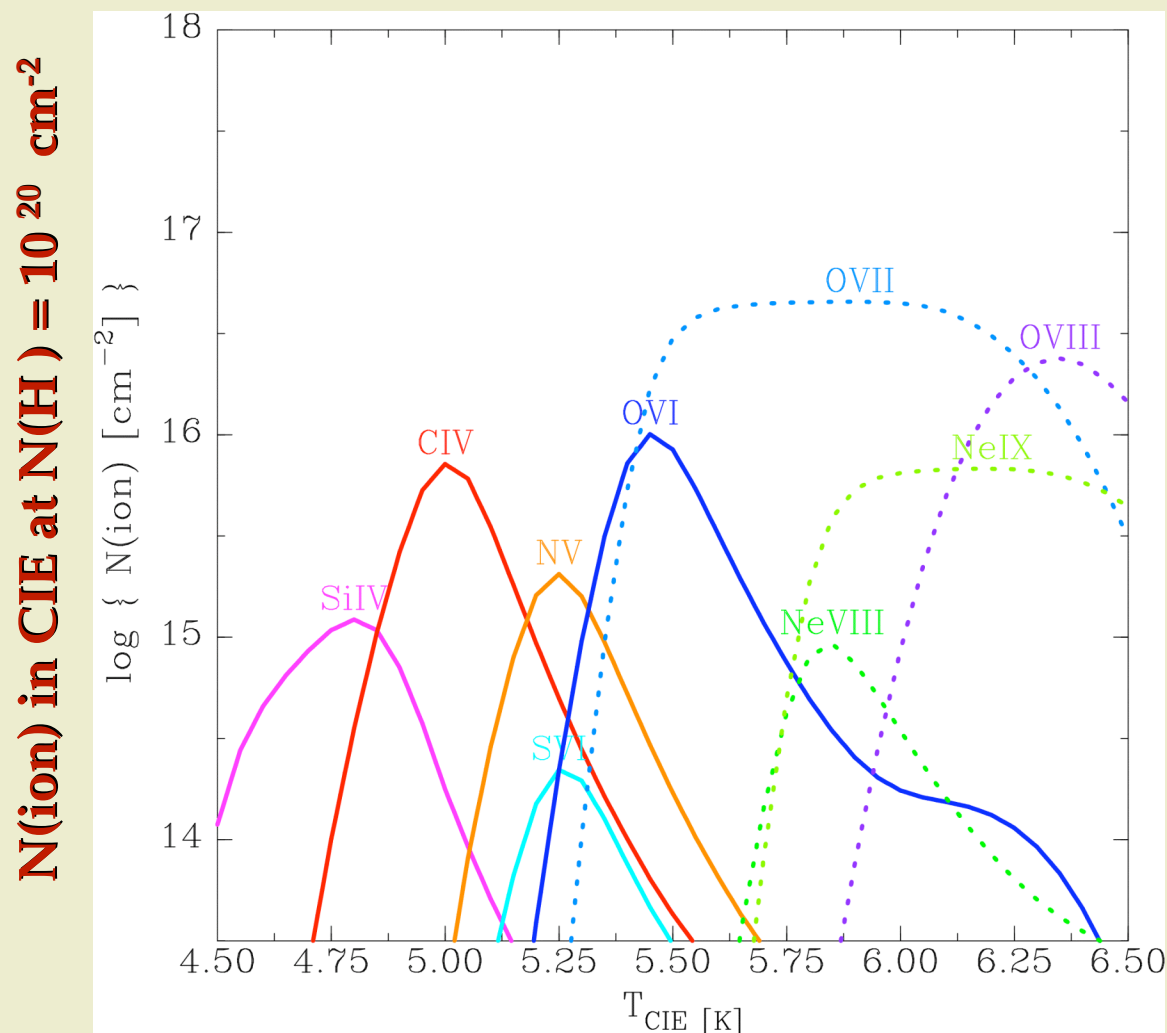


HI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

Metallicity (Z) measured



HIGH IONIZATION ISM/IGM SPECIES



HST

C IV, N V, Si IV

FUSE

O VI, S VI, (Ne VIII)

• XMM/Chandra

O VII, O VIII, Ne IX

**O VI is always <20%
of total O**

λ 1031.926, 1037.617 A

(Sutherland & Dopita 1991)

FUSE: THE SATELLITE



Launch: June 1999

Spectra from 912 to 1180 Å

White dwarfs, CVs, OB stars, AGN

Lines of

Deuterium (DI)

Cold gas (H₂)

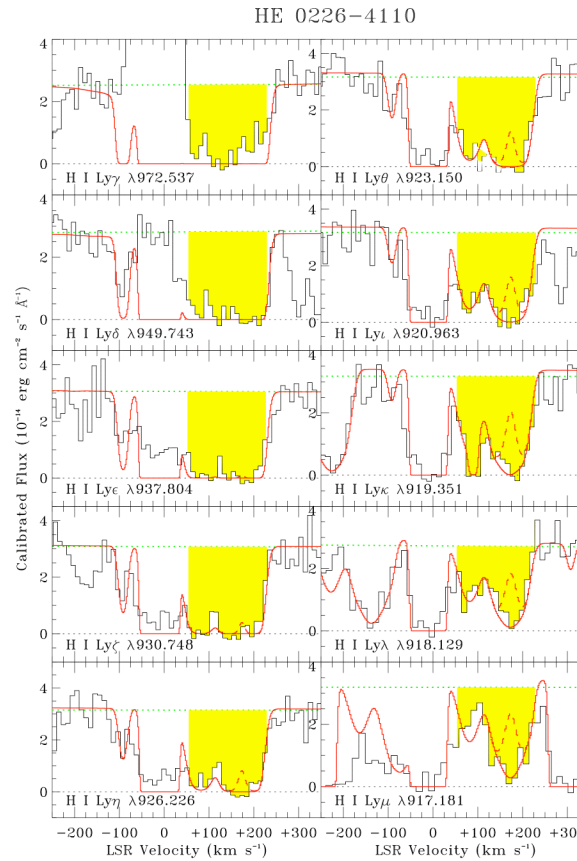
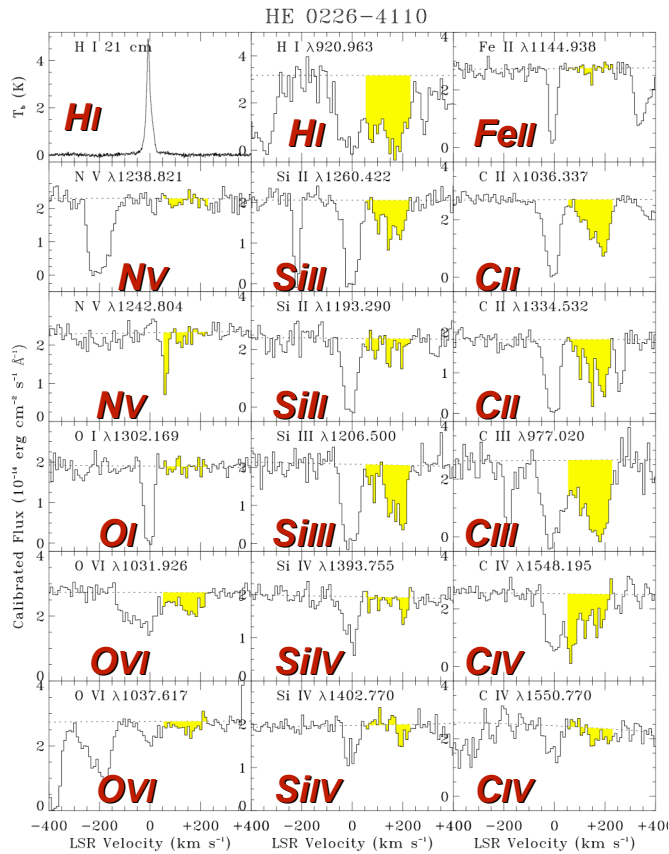
**Cool gas (HI, CII, NI, OI, FI, SiII,
PII, ArI, FeII)**

Excited states (CII*)

Warm gas (CIII, NII, FeIII)

Hot gas (OVI, PIII, PV, SVI)

HIGH-VELOCITY OVI: ANALYSIS

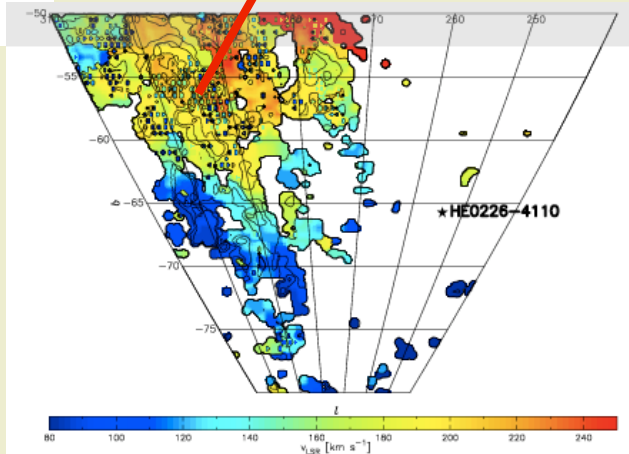


HE0226-4110, PG0953+414

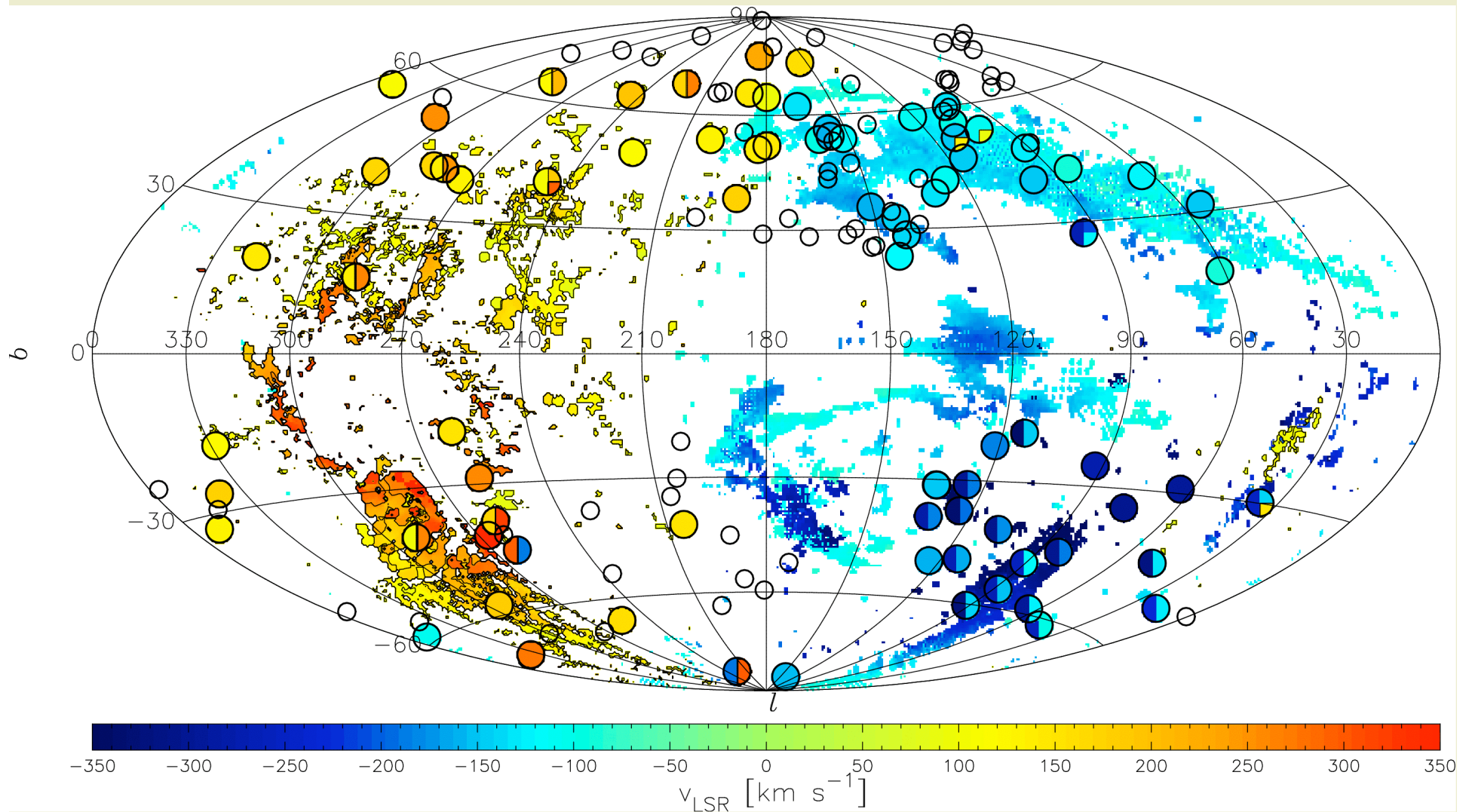
**Measure: H I, O VI, N V, C II, C III, C IV,
Si II, Si III, Si IV**

(Fox et al. 2006, ApJ, 630, 332)

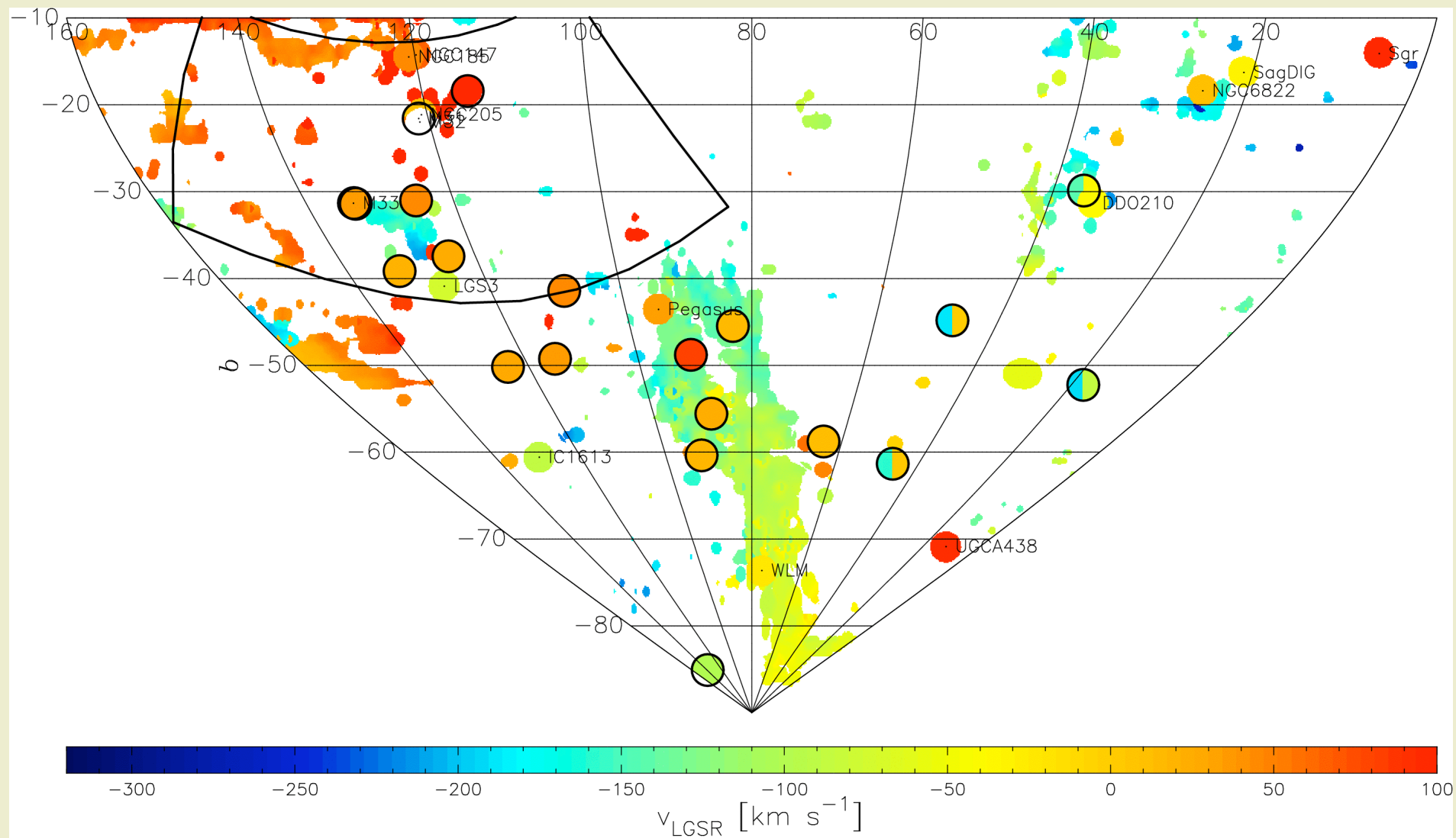
Magellanic Stream



THE HIGH-VELOCITY SKY IN H I & O VI

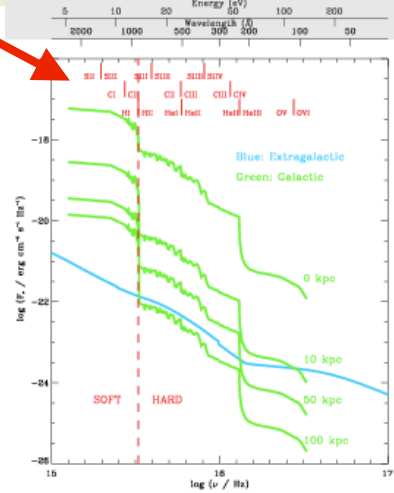
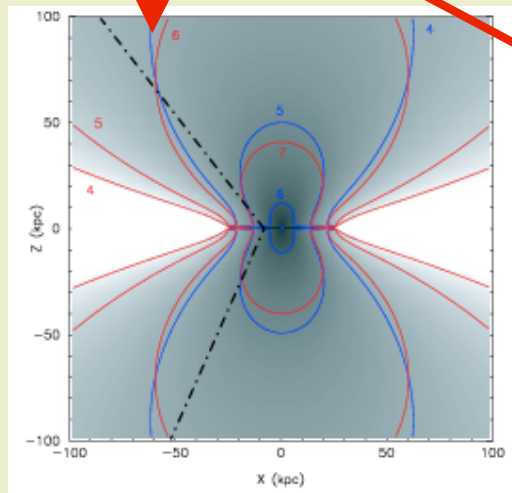


O VI vs H I (Local Group gas?)



OVI HIGH-VELOCITY CLOUDS

MW+EGB ionizing radiation
spatial + spectral distribution



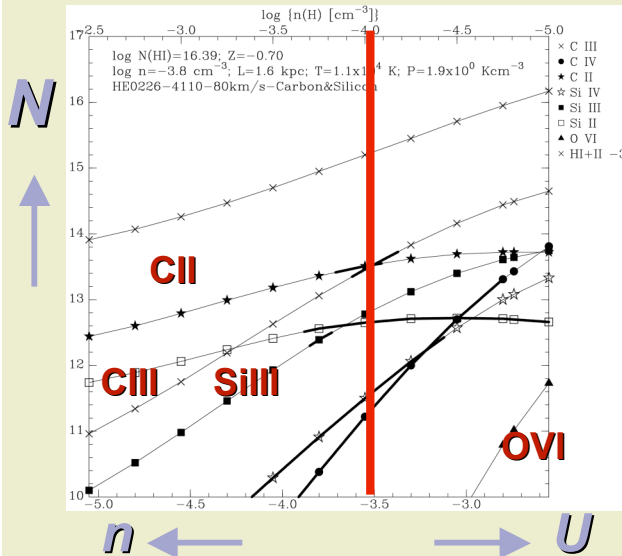
Modeling of conductive interfaces,
turbulent mixing, shock ionization,
adiative cooling, CIE

F_{ν}



ν

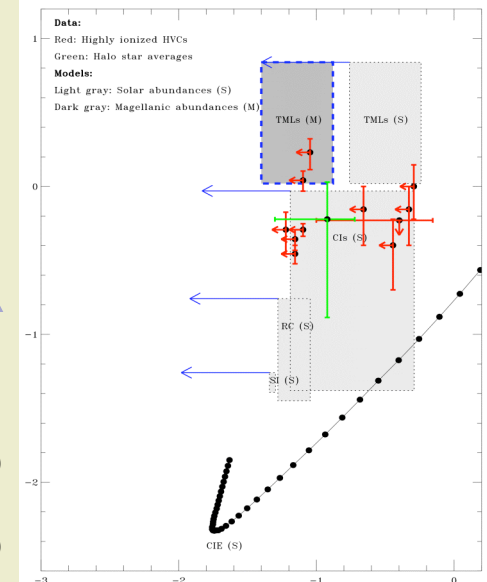
NV/OVI



=>
**Photoionized
gas
at $T \sim 10^4$ K
explains
H I, C II, C III,
Si II, Si III,
Si IV**

=>
**Conductive
interfaces
at $T = 10^5$ K
explains
O VI, C IV**

CV/OVI



HVC KINEMATICS

Parametrize locations

**Number density = radial power law
around MW, MW+M31, MW+M31+LG**

Parametrize velocity field

**Bulge+Disk+Halo potential $\Rightarrow v(\text{rot})$
Radial infall; Add dispersions**

Simulate observations

**Power-law mass distribution
Fix density (0.005 cm^{-3}) $\Rightarrow$ radius, area, flux, $T_B(\text{HI})$
OR
145 sightlines distributed like OVI sample**

$\Rightarrow$ Predictions

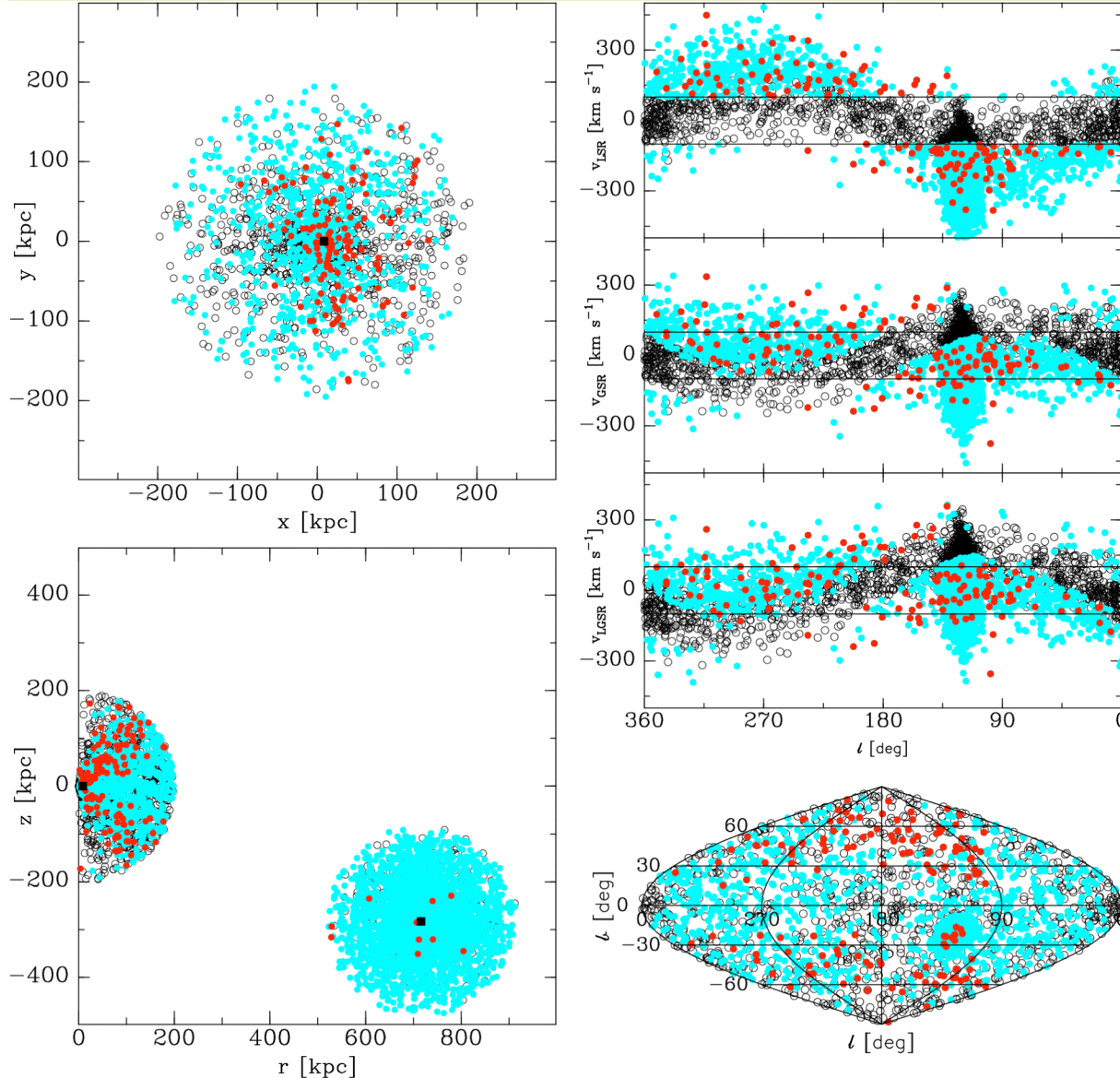
Longitude, latitude, LSR/GSR/LGSR velocities

Compare to actual data

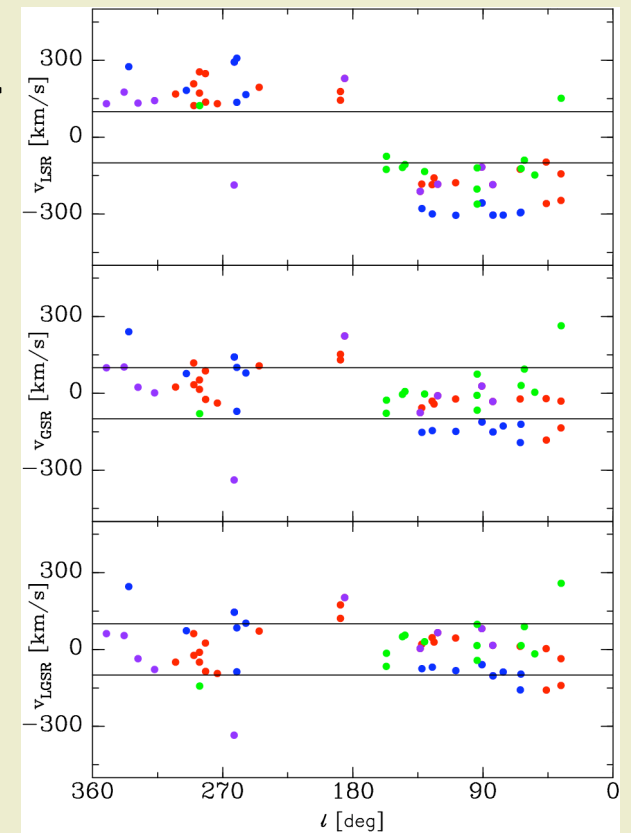
**Globular Clusters
Local Group samples
H I HVC samples
O VI HVC samples**

HIGH-VELOCITY OVI: PREDICTION

Modeled

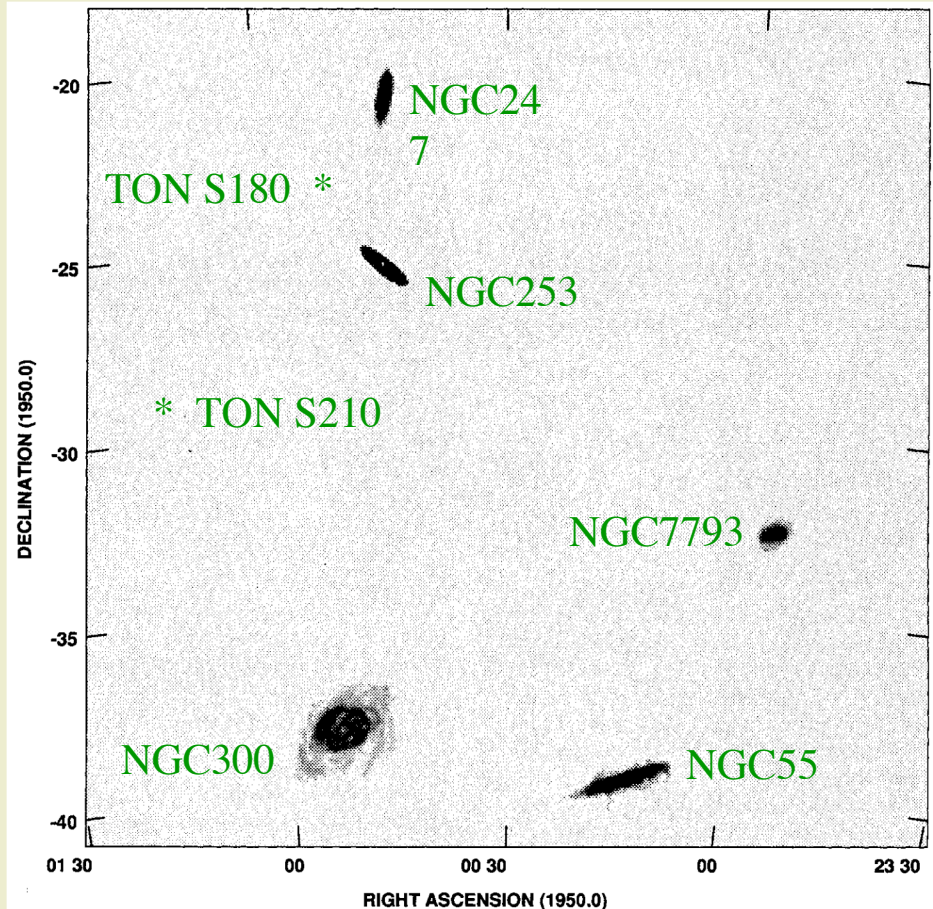


Observed



⇒ OVI originates
in corona with
 $R \sim 200$ kpc

EXTRAGALACTIC OVI: TON S180



**OVI absorption toward
Ton S180 at $v=+250 \text{ km s}^{-1}$**

**V(HI rotation curve NGC247)
at Ton S180 = $+250 \text{ km s}^{-1}$**

**V(HI rotation curve NGC253)
at Ton S180 = $+60 \text{ km s}^{-1}$**

**HI map: Puche & Carignan (1991, ApJ 378, 487)
(GALAXIES ENLARGED 4 TIMES)**

SUMMARY

- HVC metallicities vary: 0.1 to 1 solar
- Distances of large clouds are ~ 10 kpc
(Complex A/C: distance ~ 10 kpc; metallicity ~ 0.15 solar)
- Smaller clouds: population with $D_{\text{max}} \sim 200$ kpc
- OVI HVCs present in $\sim 60\%$ of the sky
- HVCs are embedded in hotter gas
- OVI is seen around nearby galaxies out to few 100 kpc
- HI ($\text{Ly}\alpha$) around nearby galaxies out to 1 Mpc

High-velocity clouds suggest the presence of a reservoir of hot gas with radius ~ 200 kpc out of which cool clouds condense and accrete

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$$\dot{M}(\text{H};\text{OVI}) = M / t = M D / v$$

D = typical distance ~ 200 kpc

v = typical infall velocity ~ 50 km/s

$$\dot{M}(\text{H};\text{OVI}) \sim 10^{9.6} M_{\odot} \text{ in 2 Gyr or } 1 M_{\odot}/\text{yr of gas cooling}$$