

Extragalactic High-J CO Observations and their Interpretation

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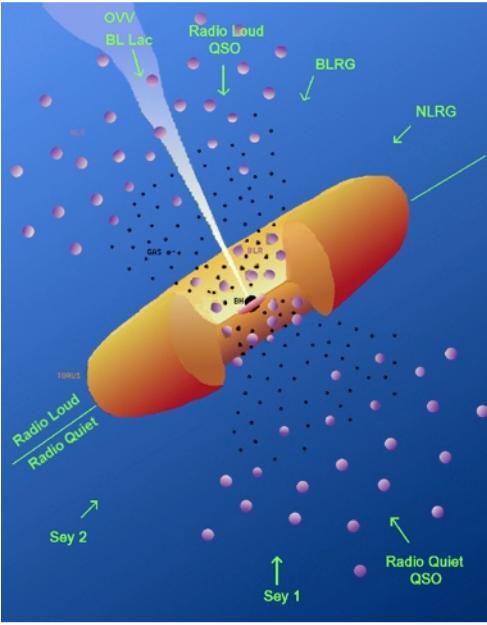
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High-J CO in local galaxies with Herschel

- CO SLED observations of “template” galaxies
- Probing AGN environment
- CO line ratios as new diagnostic tool





Extragalactic High-J CO: “Historical” context

Krolik & Lepp (1989):

If the AGN torus exists, it should emit not only in thermal continuum (mid-IR), but also in molecular cooling lines (e.g. FIR)

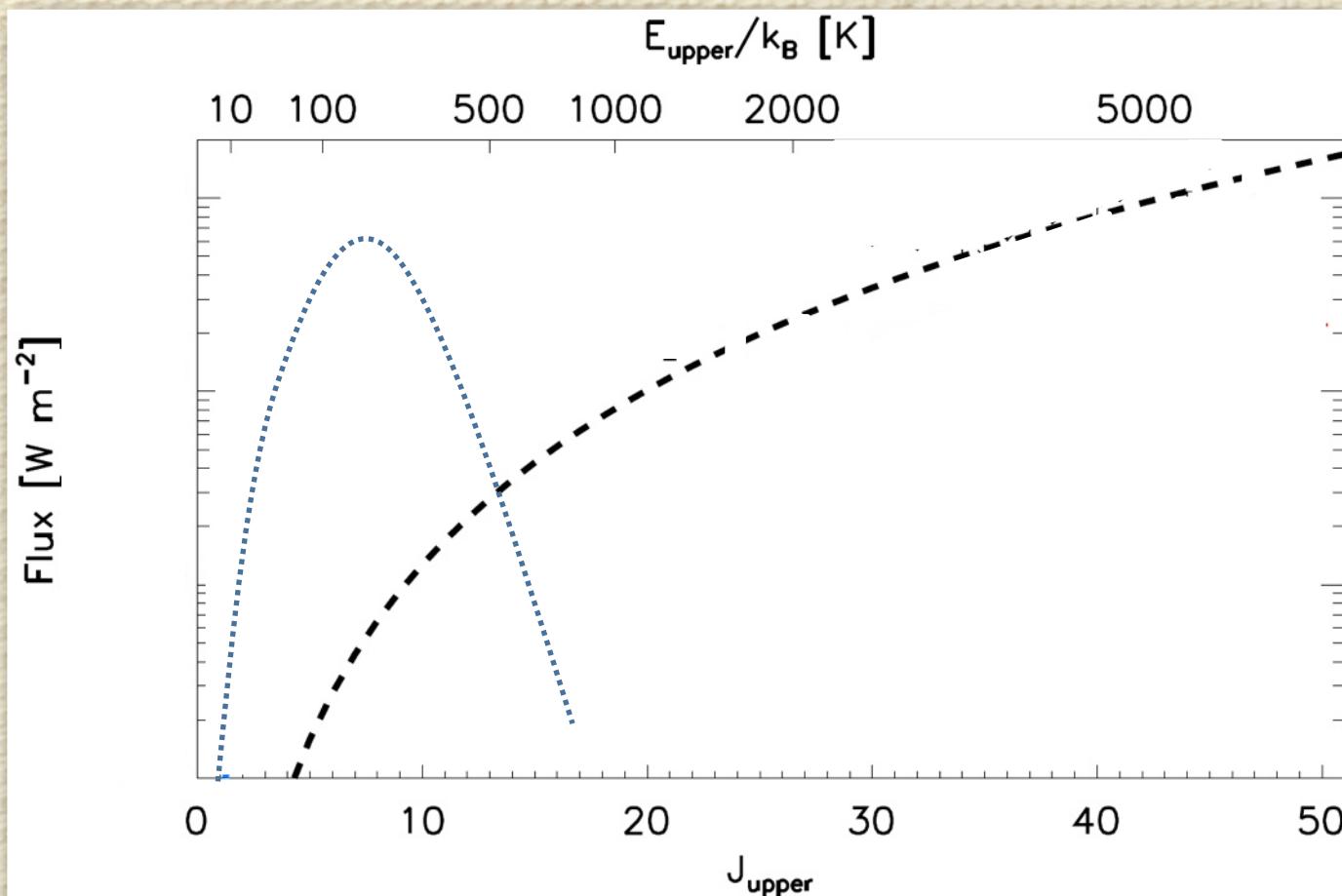
→ detectable fraction of L_{bol} in IR molecular lines (mid-IR H₂, far-IR CO)

Promise of high-J CO lines: strong enough, little extinction, not or only weakly produced in normal star formation regions (i.e. direct tracer of torus)

Krolik & Lepp 1989 – FIR CO lines from the Torus:

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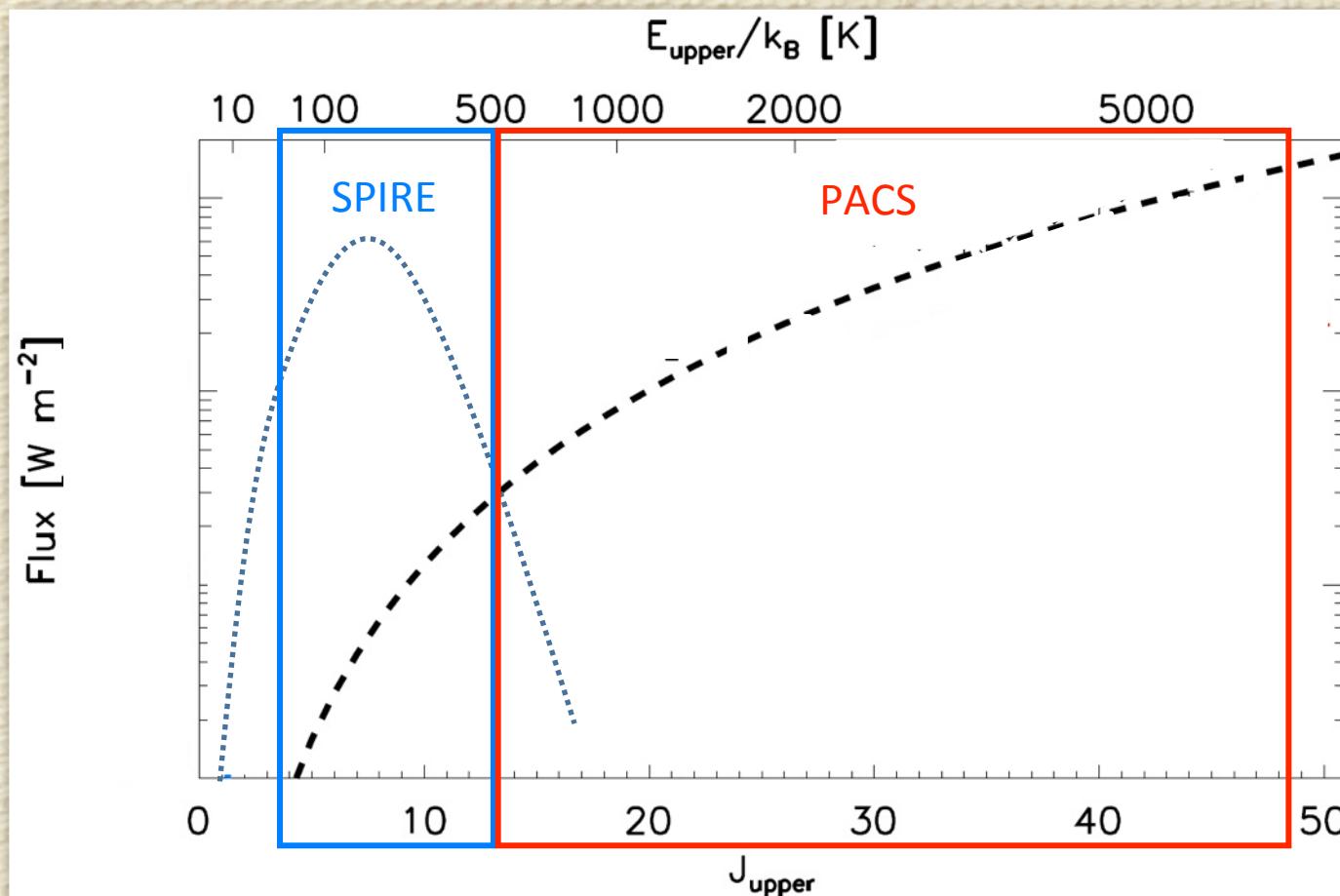
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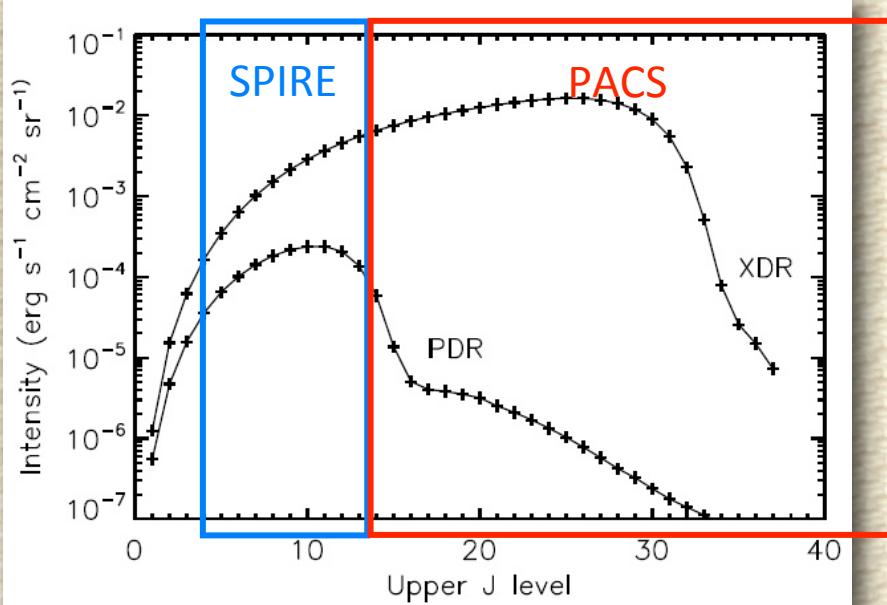
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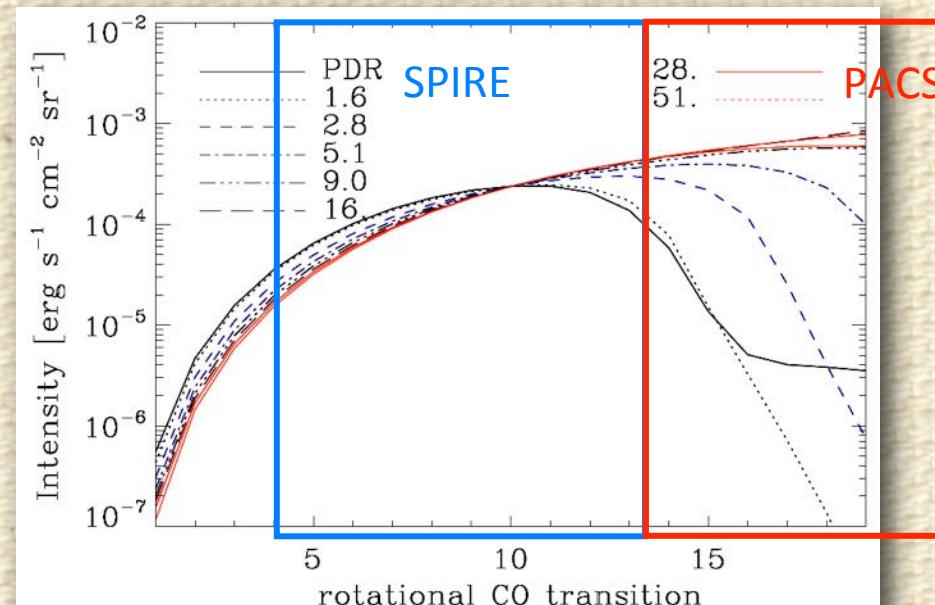
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Extragalactic High-J CO: “modern” context



Spaans & Meijerink 2008



Schleicher+ 2010

High-J CO → A new probe of warm and dense molecular gas

SB, AGN, feedback, galaxy evolution

UV/X-ray (AGN torus)

Cosmic rays

Jets

Turbulence

Mergers vs. cold accretion

Galaxy dynamics

Outflows

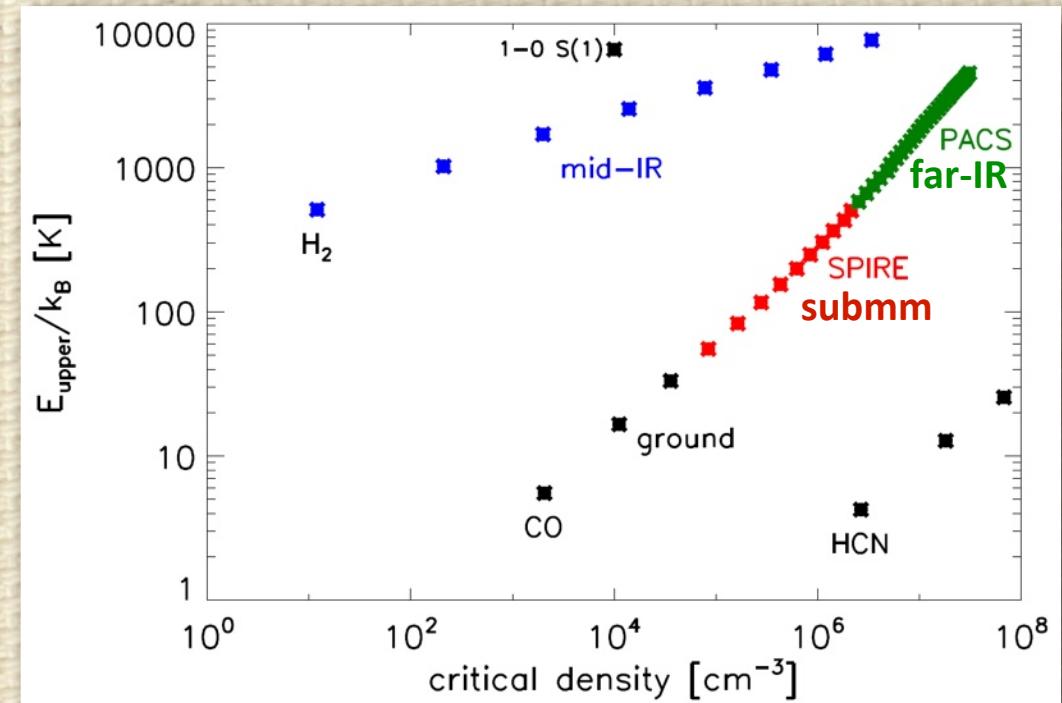
Methods

Galactic templates

Non-LTE radiative transfer

PDR/XDR/shock models

High resolution spectral imaging



Nearby templates:

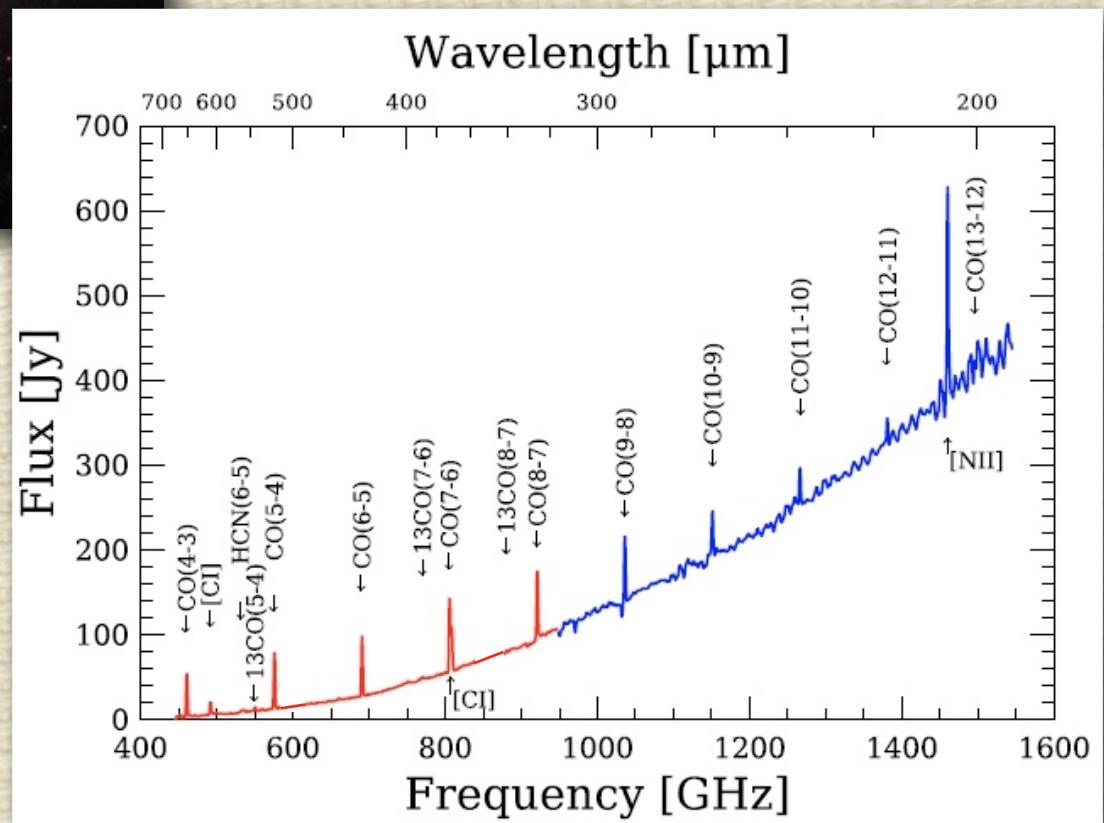
M82(SB)

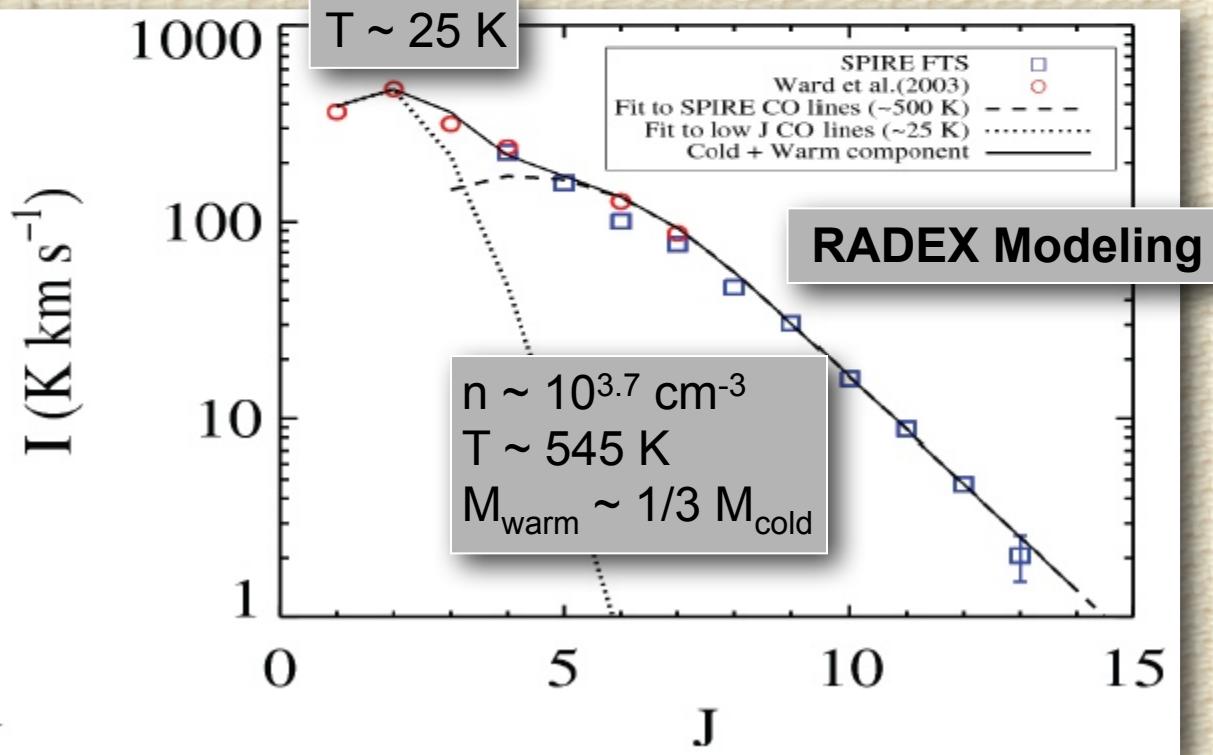
NGC1068 (Sy)



43.4" beam
~ 830 pc

M82 (Panuzzo+2010, SPIRE)





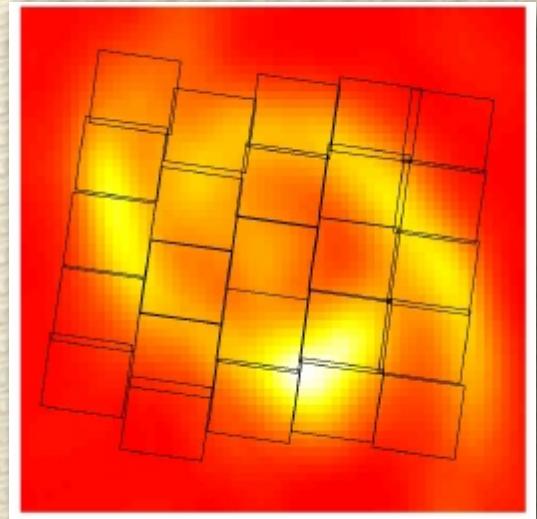
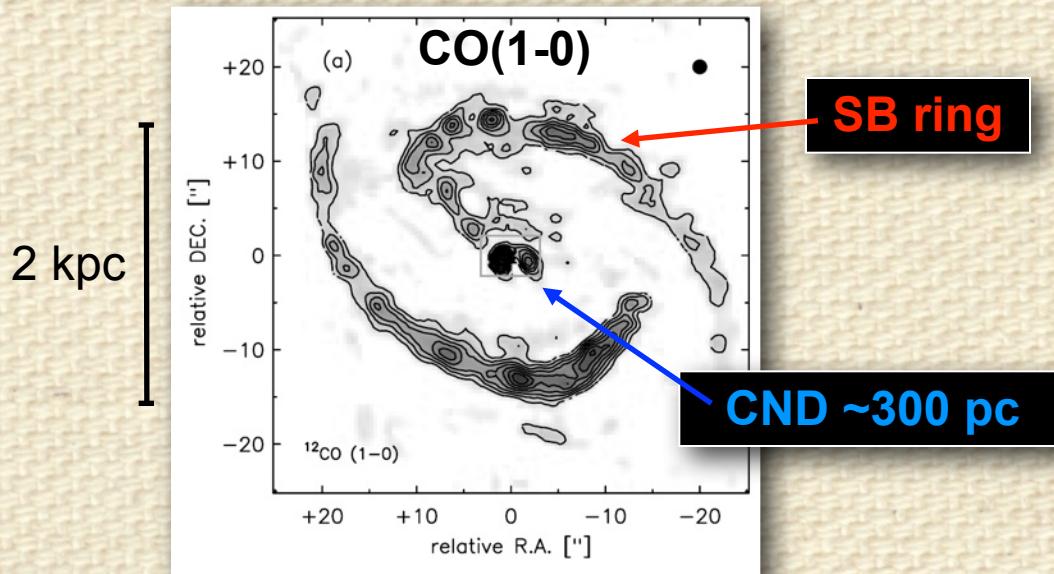
M82 (SPIRE)

Panuzzo+ 2010,
Kamenetzky+ 2012

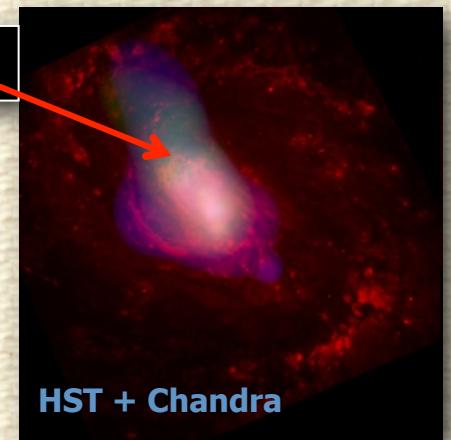
- Higher J lines much brighter than PDR predictions
 \Rightarrow *not tracing UV-heated gas*
- Cosmic ray density too low
- Dissipation of turbulence
 \Rightarrow ***stellar wind and supernovae***

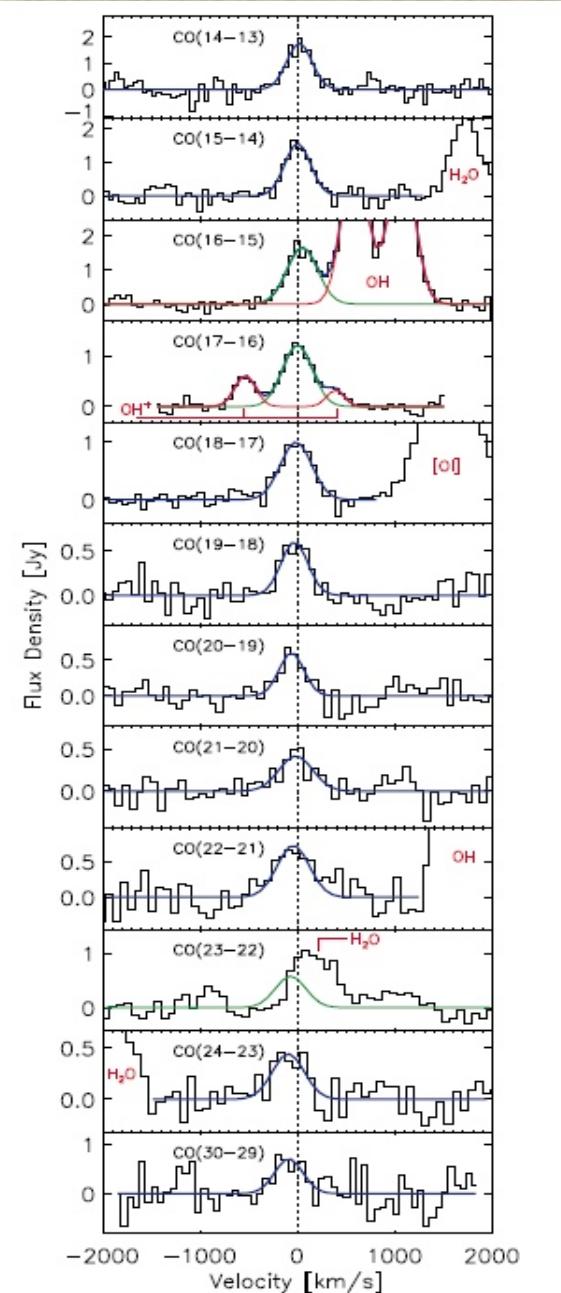
NGC 1068

Hailey-Dunsheath+2012, PACS
Spinoglio+2012, SPIRE



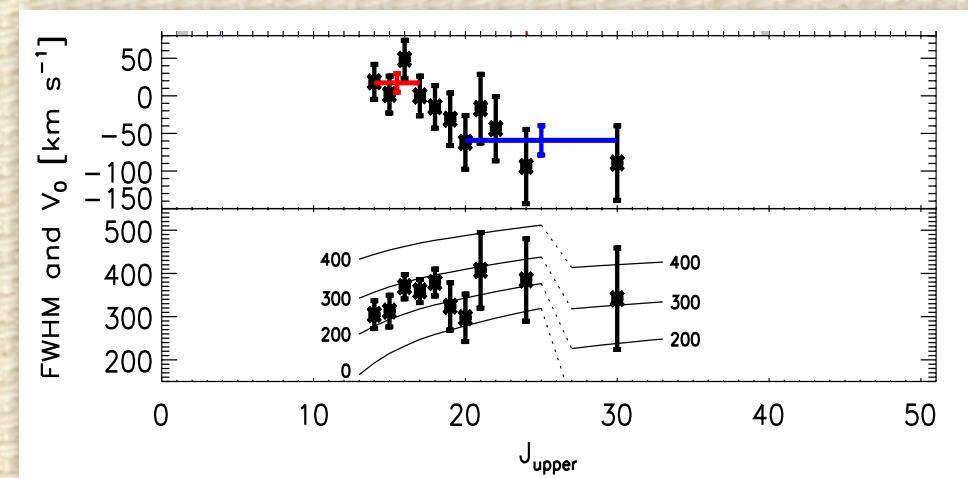
X-rays



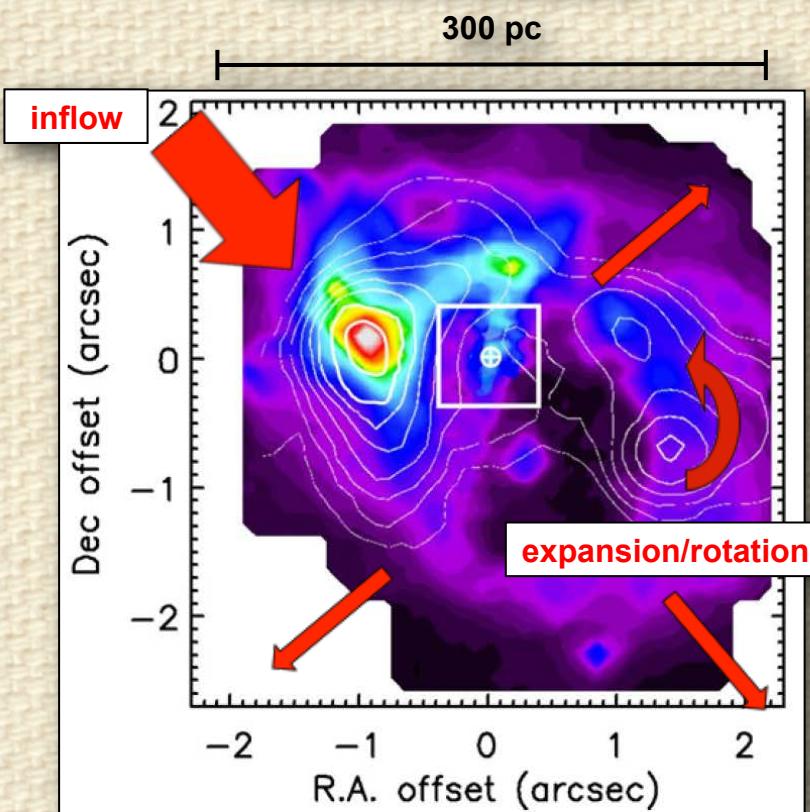


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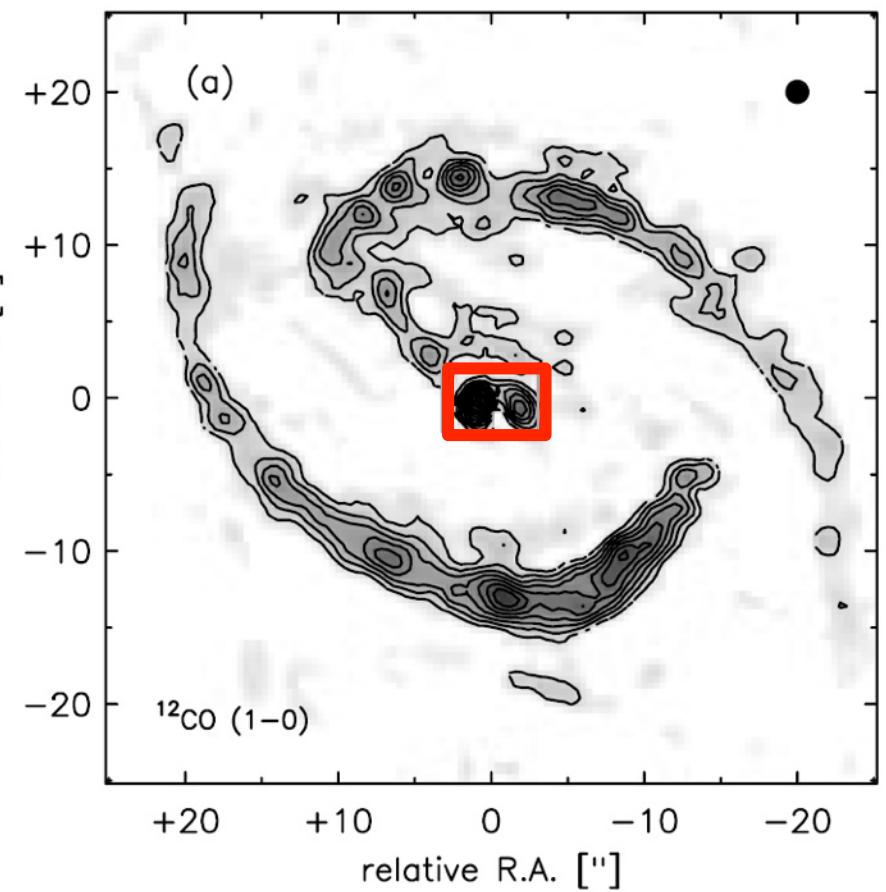
Hailey-Dunsheath+ 2012



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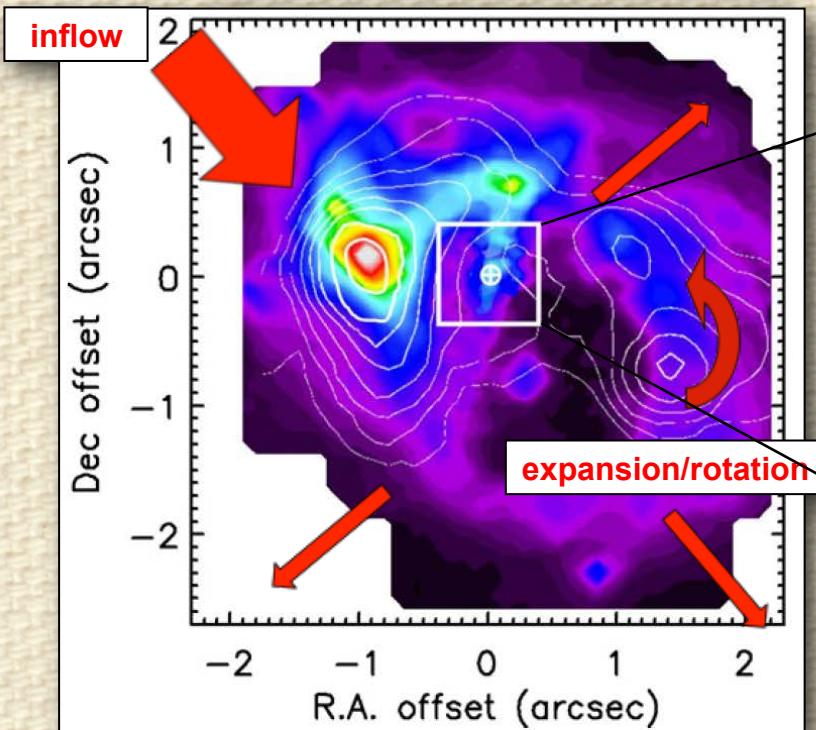


Müller Sánchez+09,
Davies+07,
Schinnerer+00

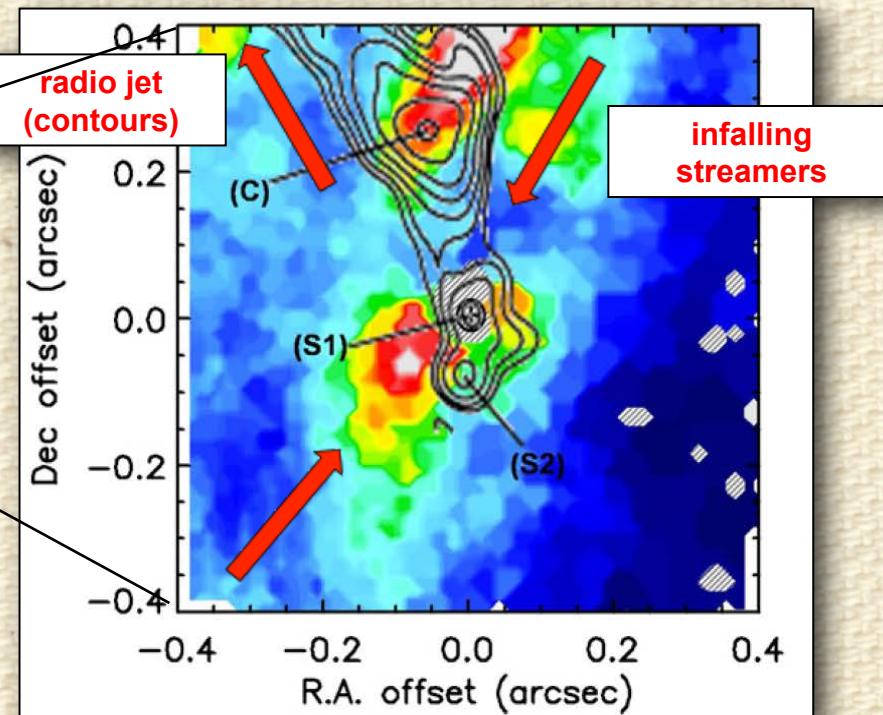


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300 pc



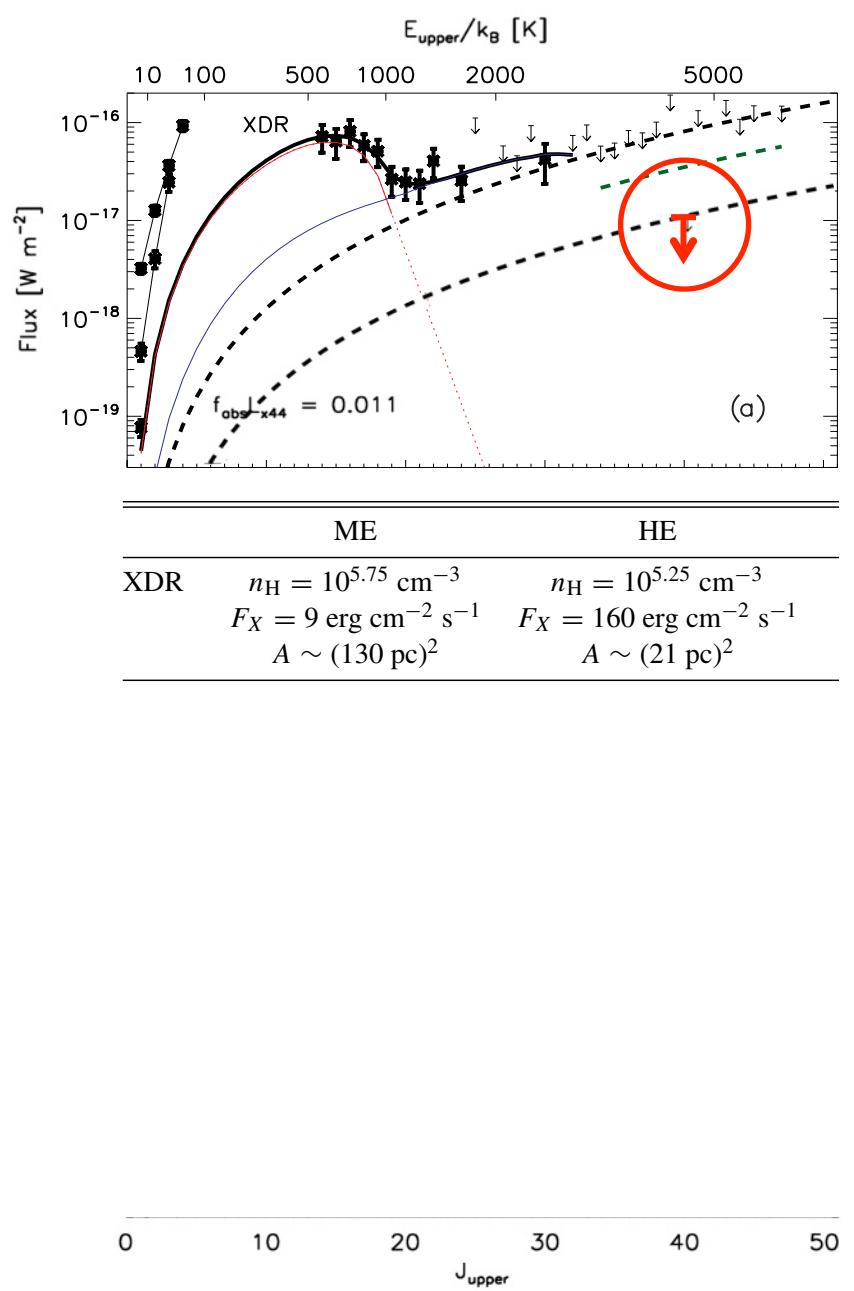
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XDR / PDR models:
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C-shock models
 models:
 Flower & Pineau
 Des Forêts 2010



Hailey-Dunsheath+
 2012
 Janssen+ in prep.

XDR
 Torus(?)

PDR

shock

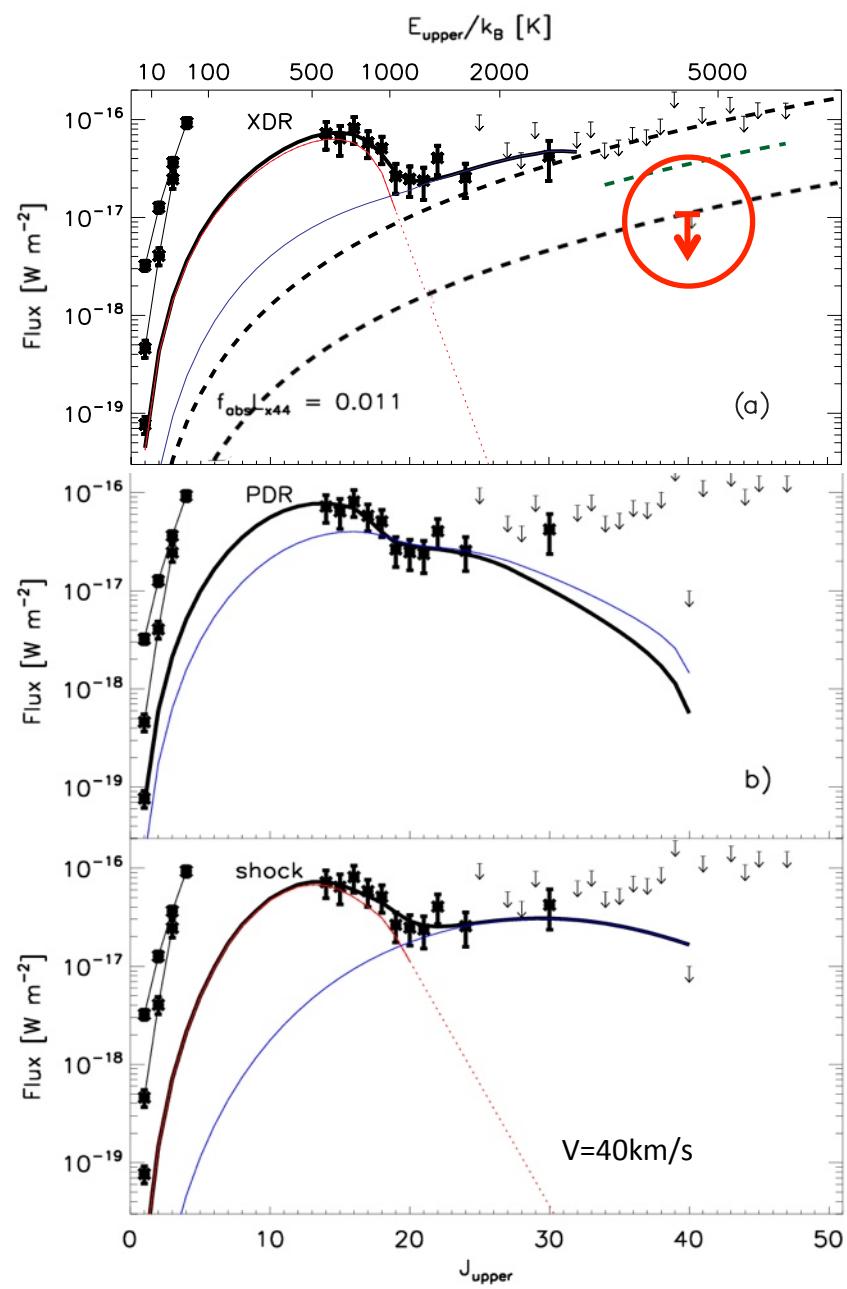
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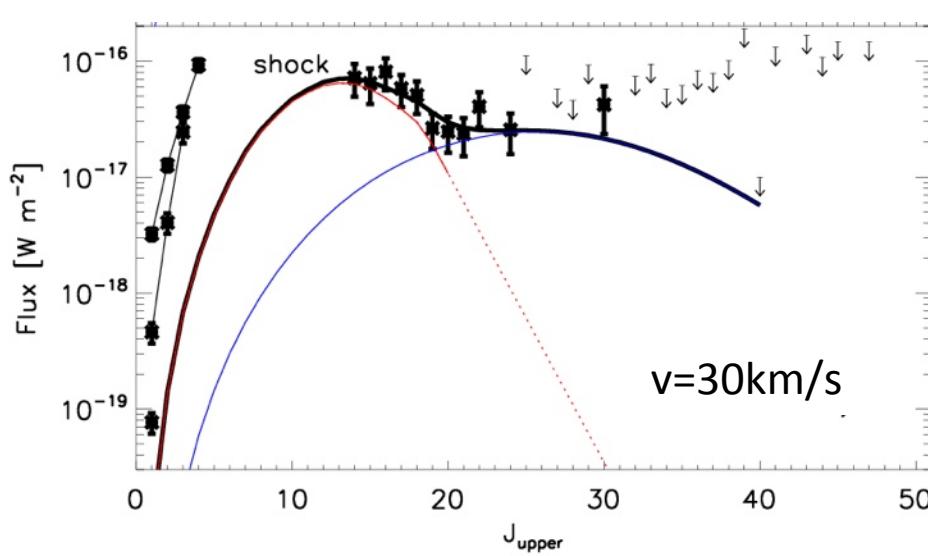
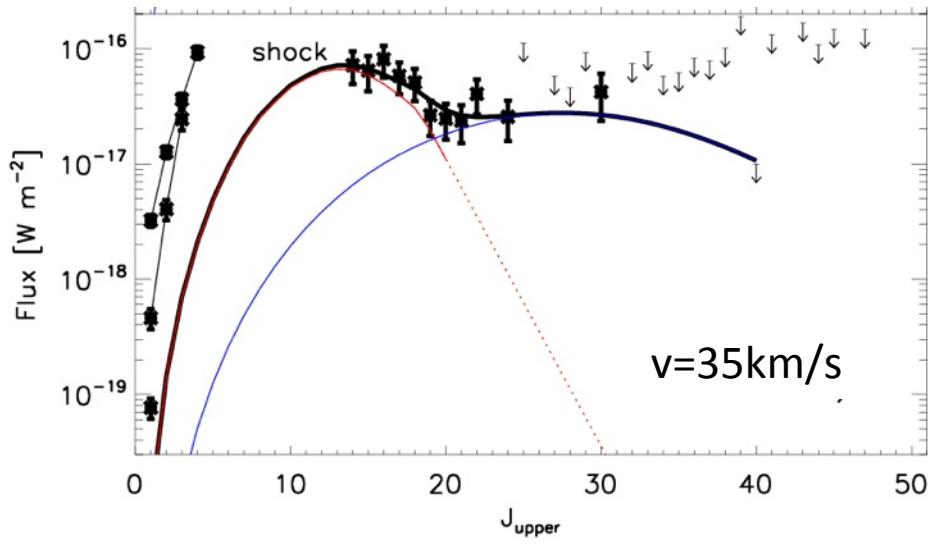
PDR

shock

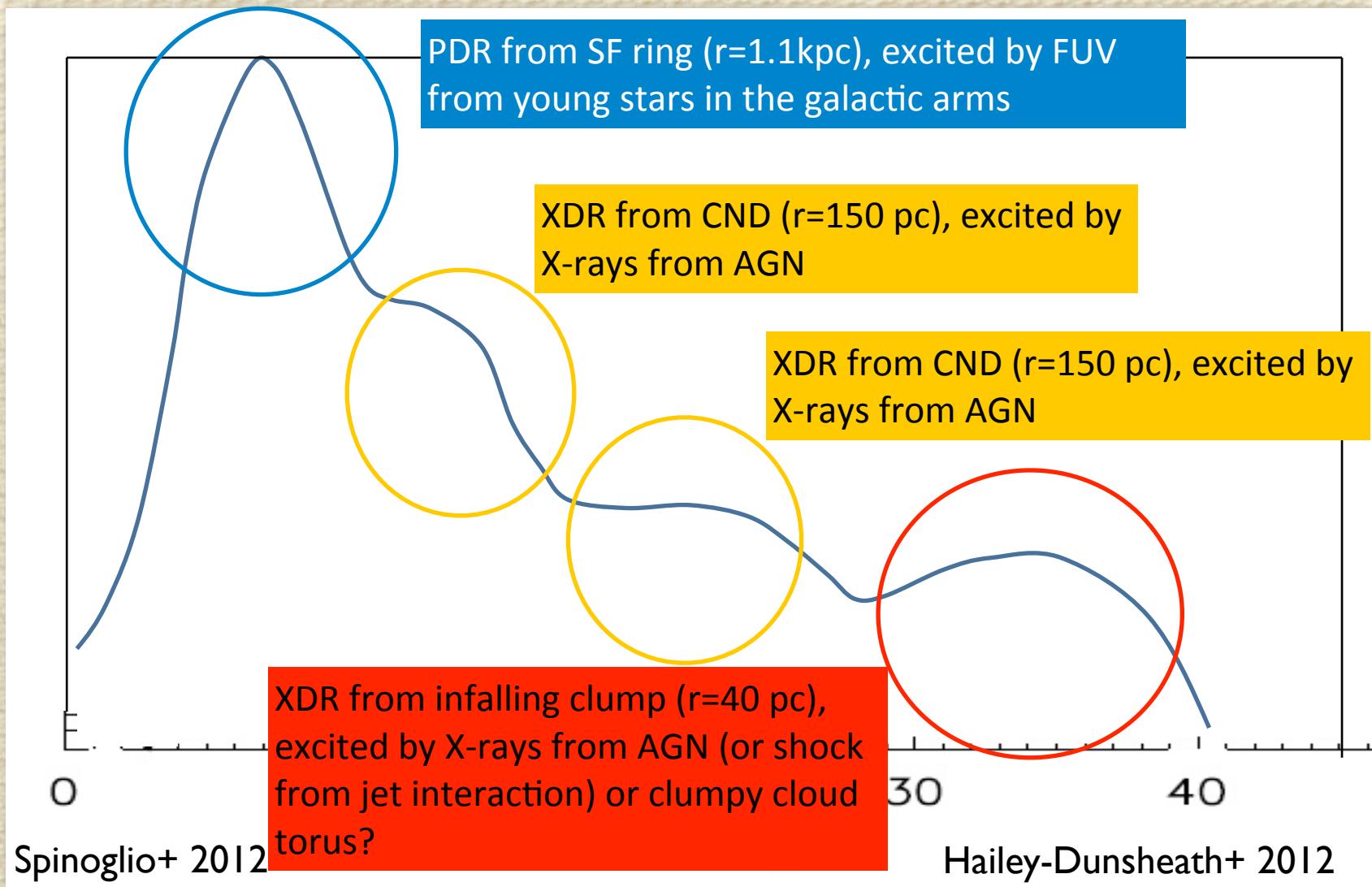
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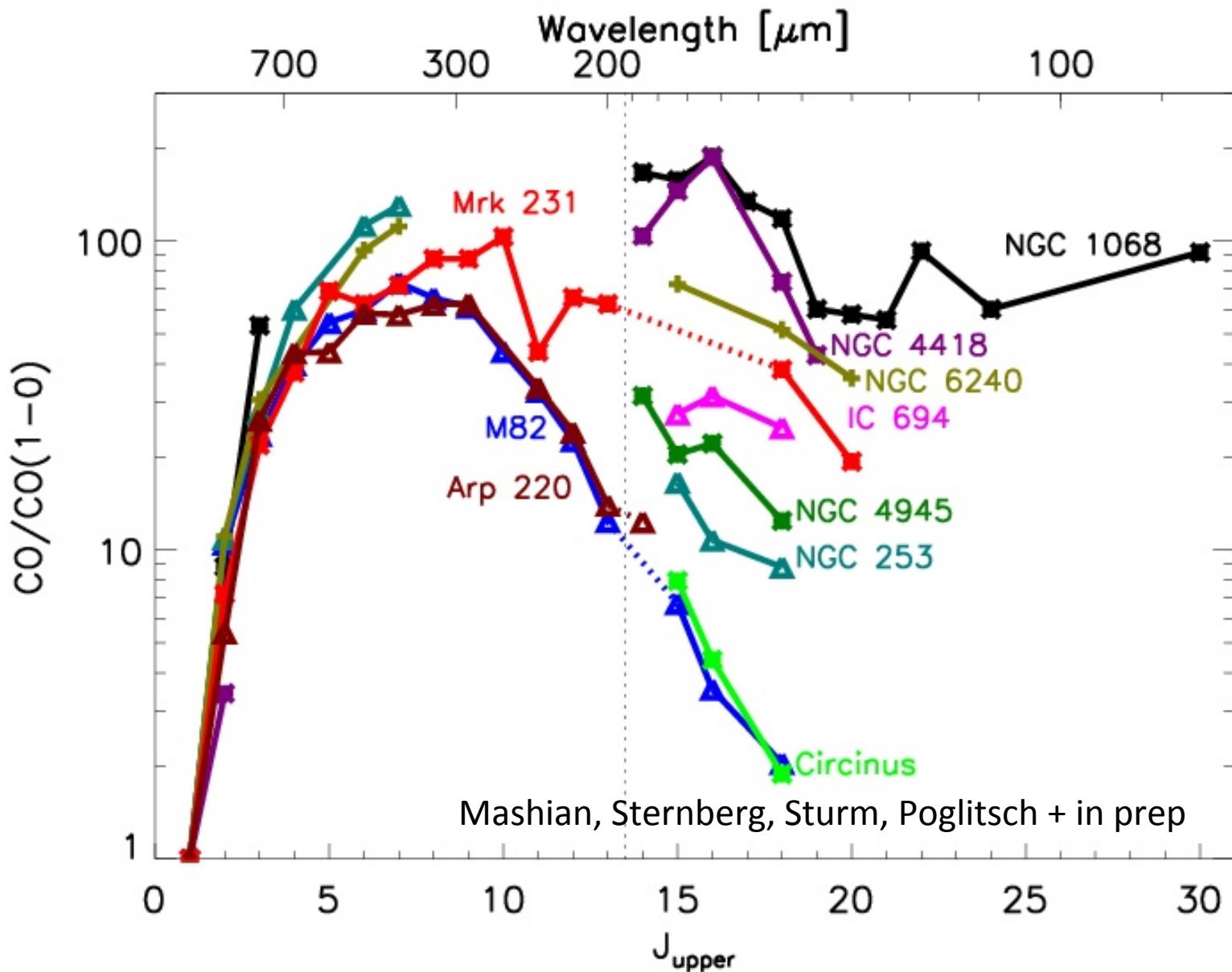




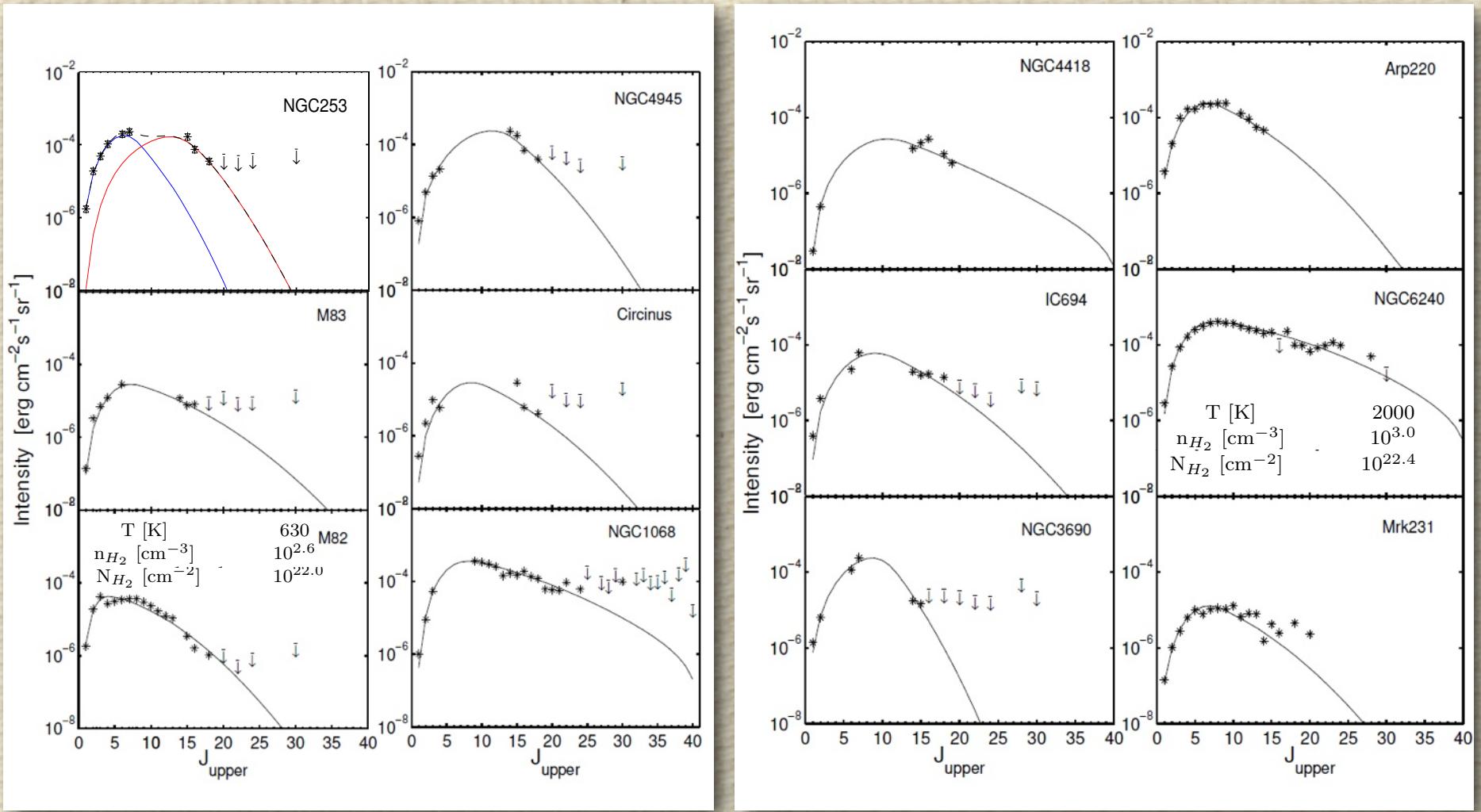
The CO Line-SED of NGC1068 from J=0 ...40



Application to ULIRGs



LVG Modeling

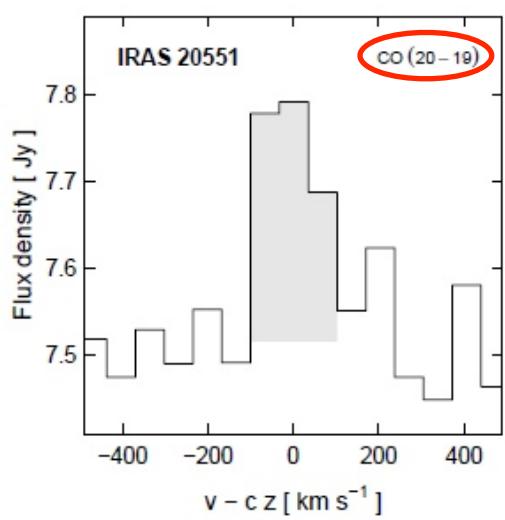
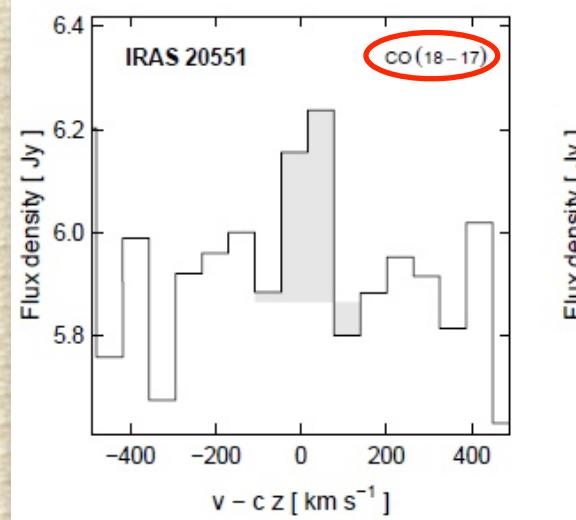


Mashian, Sternberg, Sturm, Poglitsch + in prep

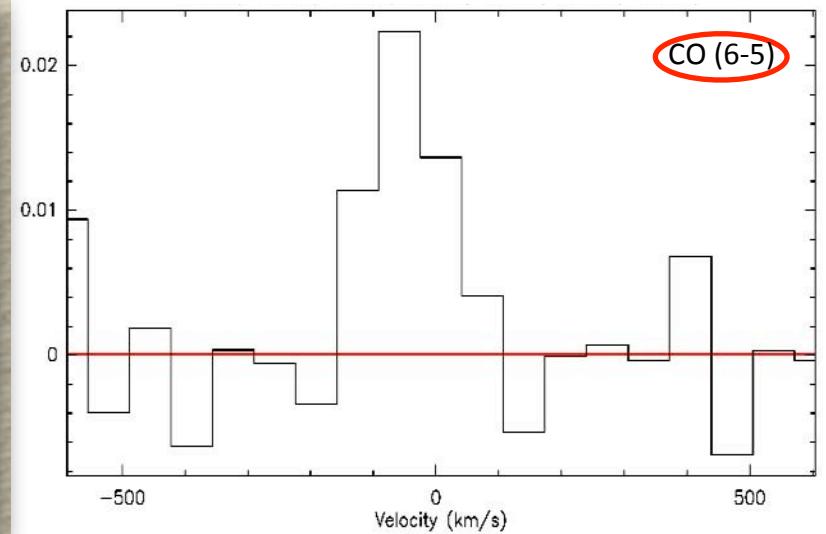
CO Line Ratios in local ULIRGs

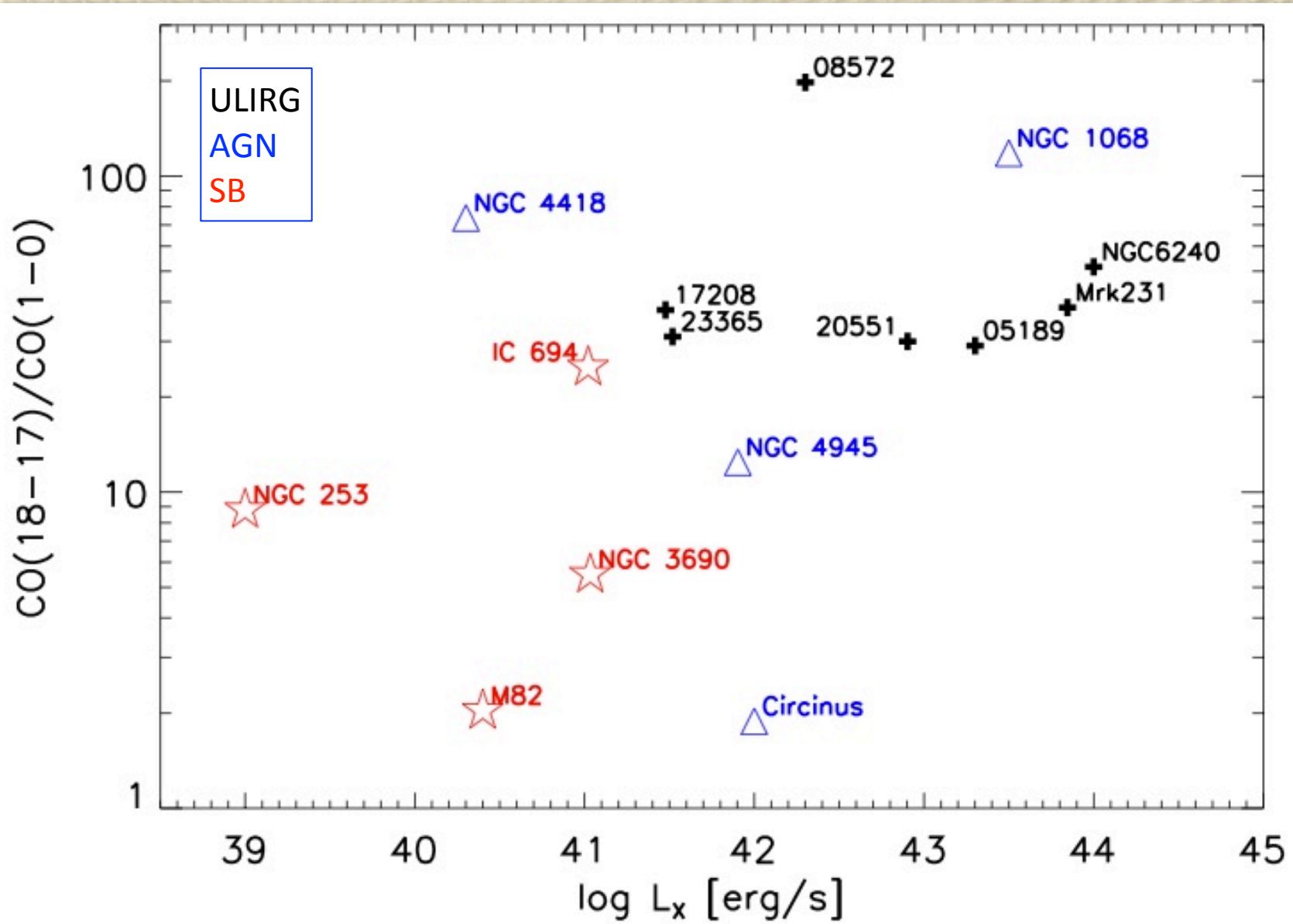
Characterizing the excitation of the molecular gas and the nature of the energy source

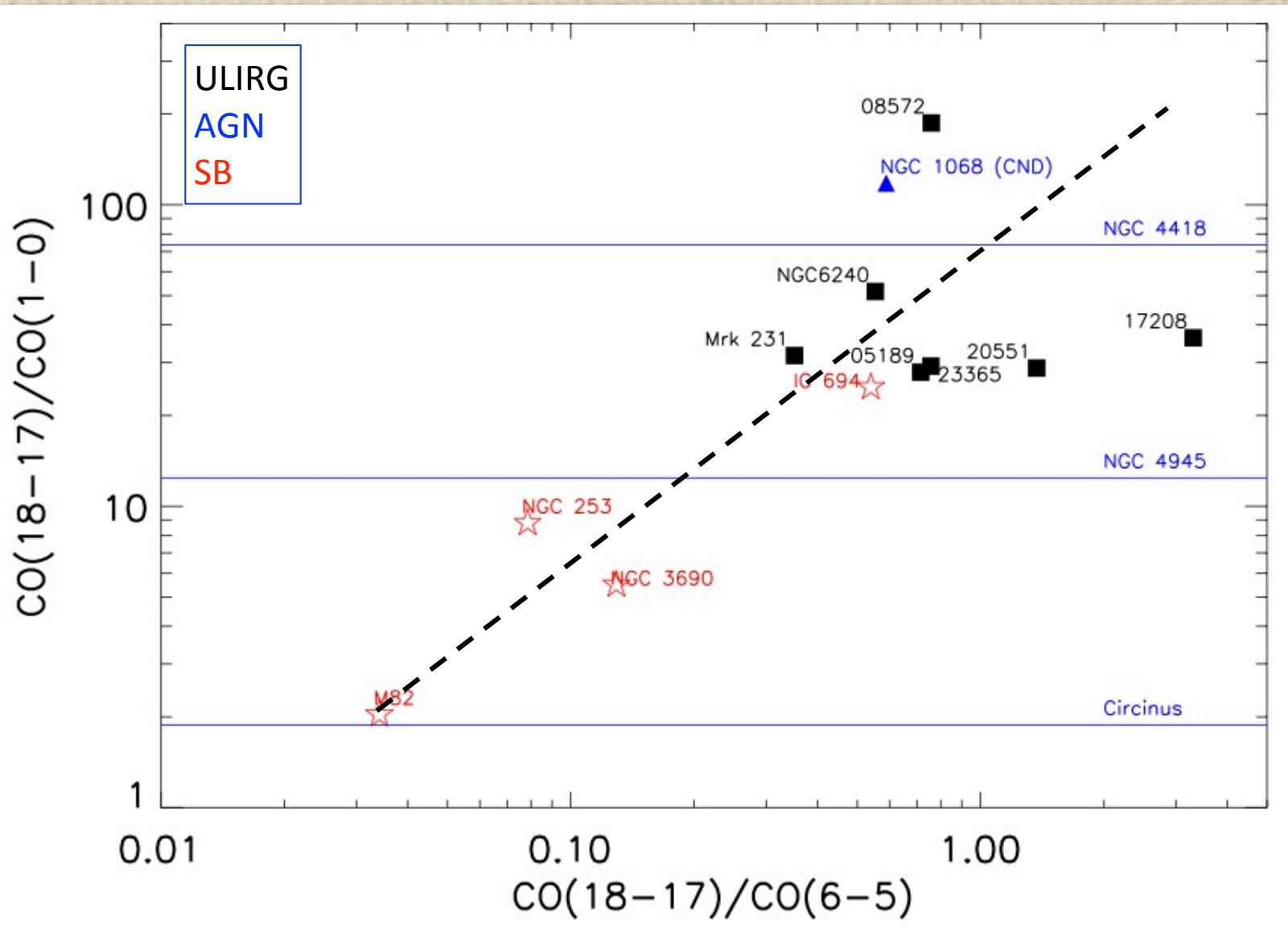
PACS spectra
(SHINING)



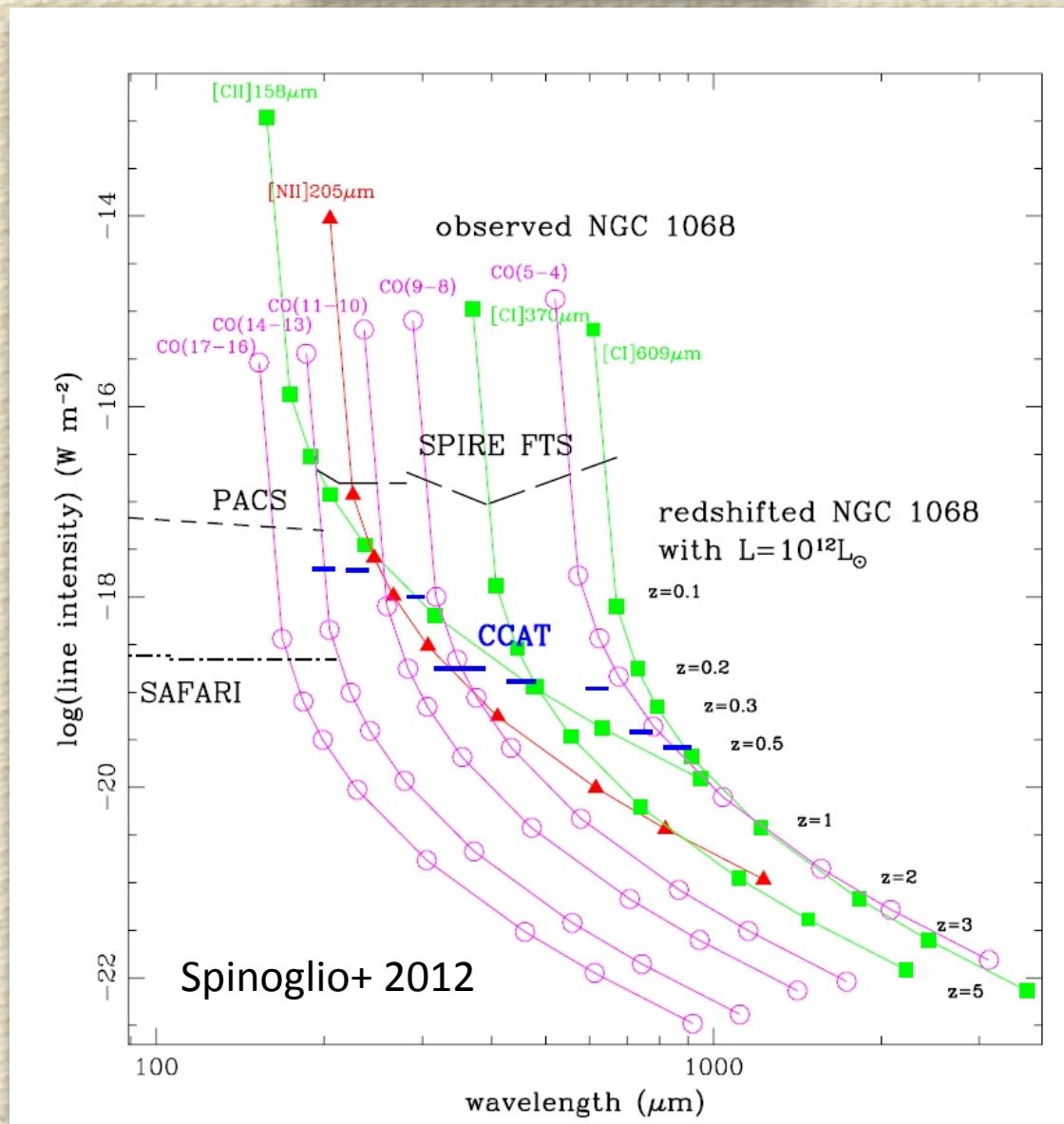
APEX spectrum



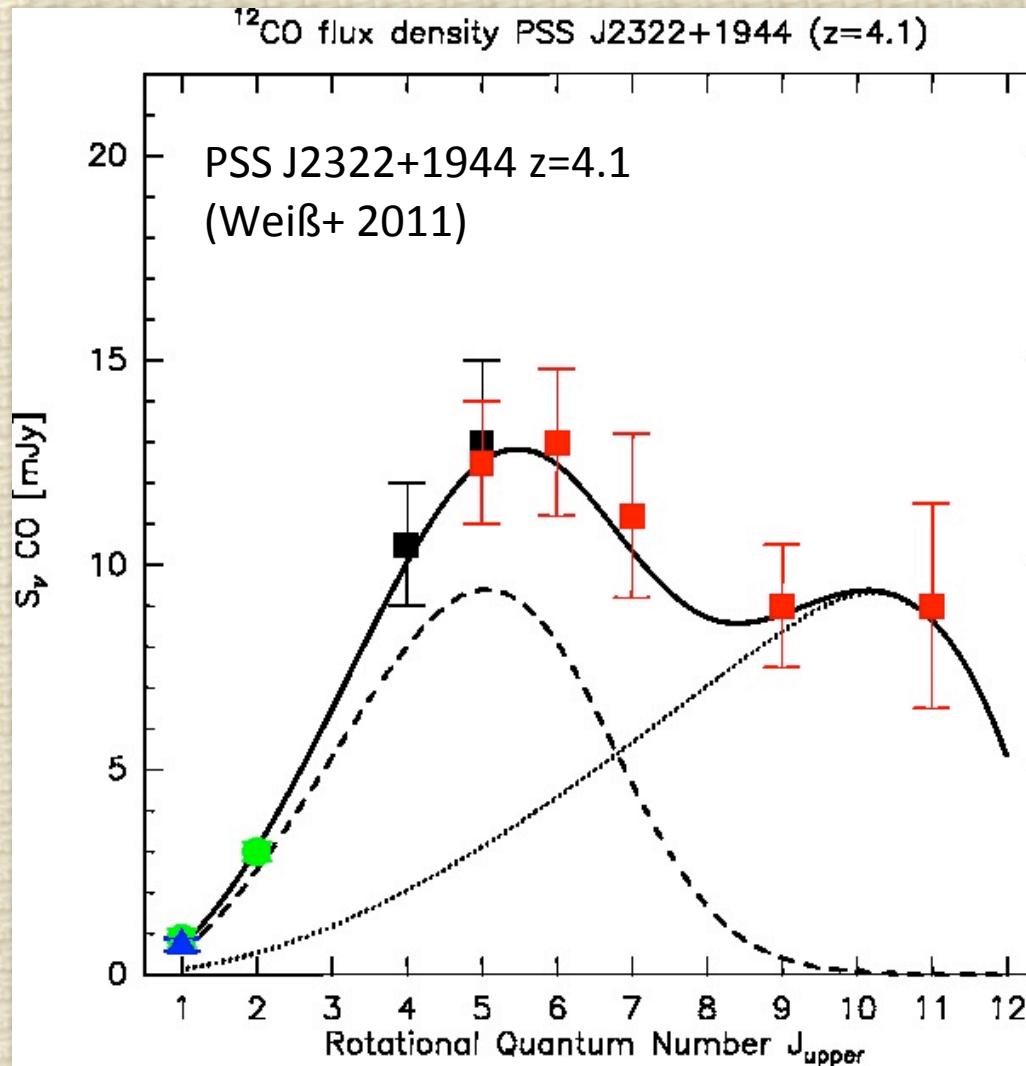




What next?



CO at high redshifts - Caveats



Summary

- High-J CO lines (together with ionized species like H_2O^+ and OH^+) are a promising tool to help distinguish between XDR, PDR, CDR and shock excitation/chemistry
- However, observationally there is a lot of scatter, and a good sampling of the CO line SED up to really high-J ($J \approx 40$ at $65\mu\text{m}$) is needed (and expansion of the models)
- Ratio-ratio diagrams (a la $\text{CO}(18-17)/\text{CO}(1-0)$ vs. $\text{CO}(6-5)/\text{CO}(1-0)$) must be explored more, both, observationally and theoretically
- Interpretation of high-z high-J CO lines (e.g. CCAT, NOEMA, ALMA) not straightforward!

Summary

- 1 pc torus (basis of Krolik & Lepp 1989) excluded
- “Clumpy Torus” models with slightly larger extension ($\sim 10\text{pc}$) could still work. Testing needs inclusion of gas/line emission in these models, and observations up to really high J
- Further “calibration” of the methods and the models with SPICA – both MCS and SAFARI – at spatially resolved nearby template objects will be critical