

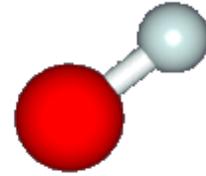


THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES IN THE FORMATION OF METHANOL MASERS AND OH MASERS ACCORDING TO DATA FROM RADIO ASTRONOMY OBSERVATIONS

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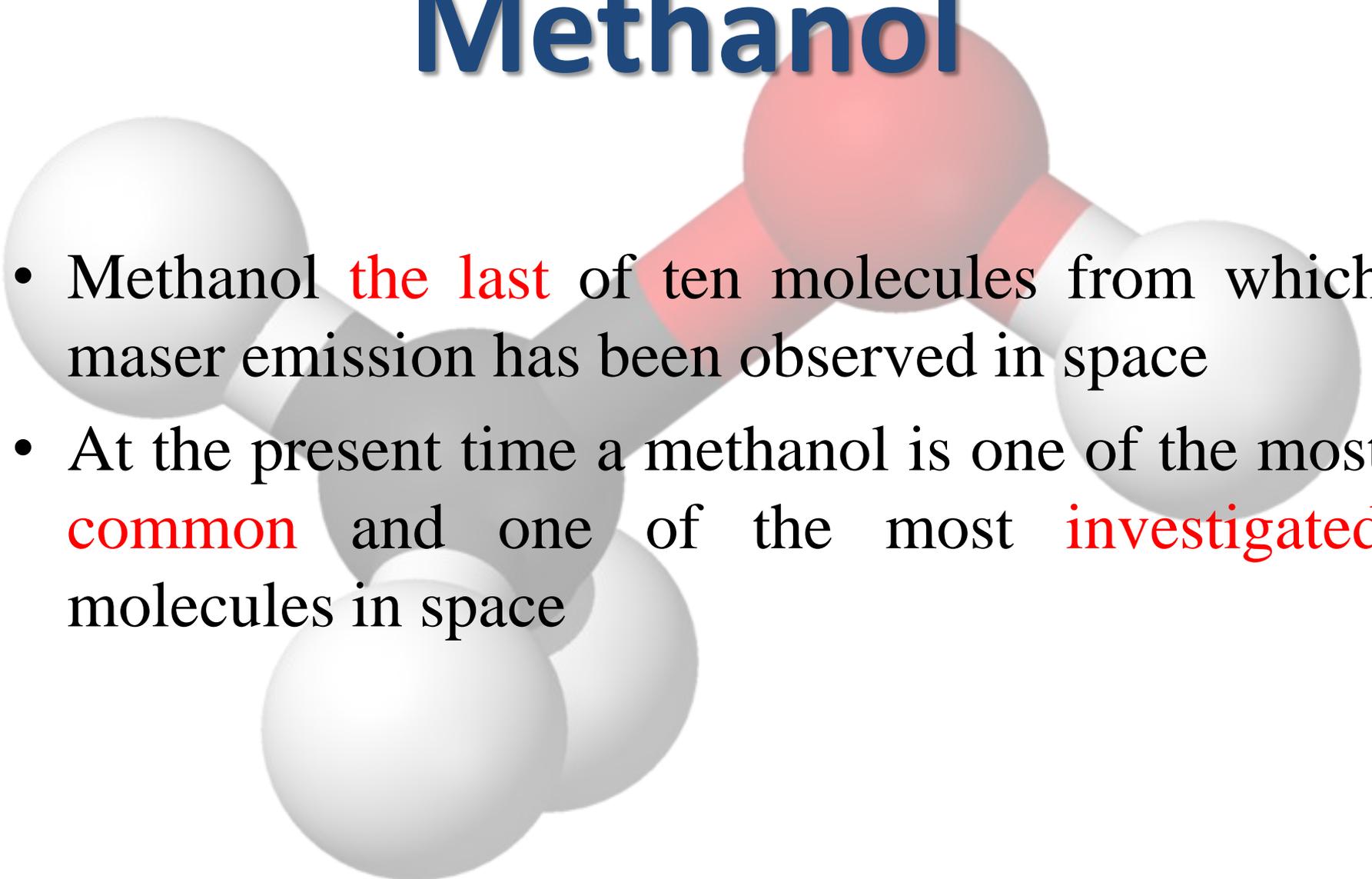
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OH MASER



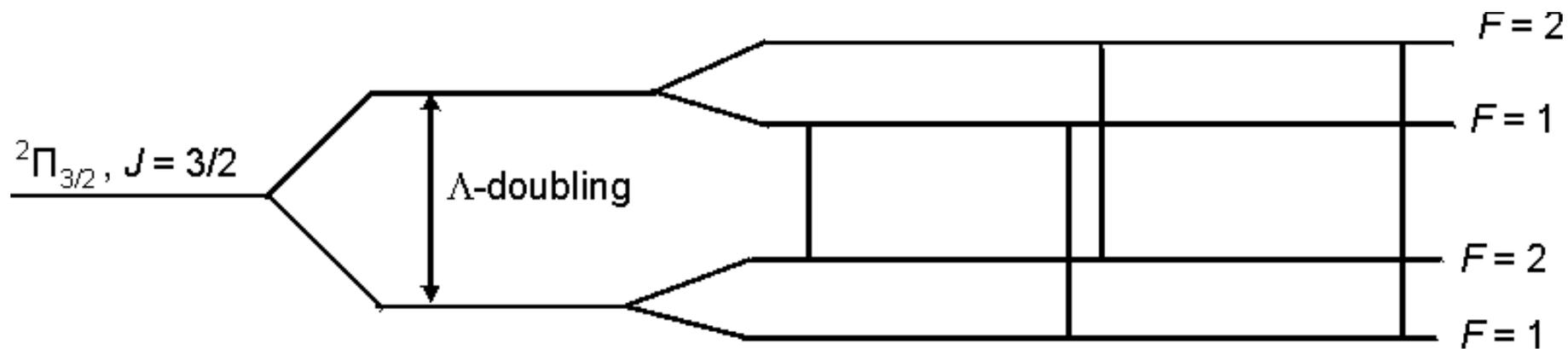
- ⦿ The OH molecules were first maser discovered in space
- ⦿ Their research is now a routine process

Methanol

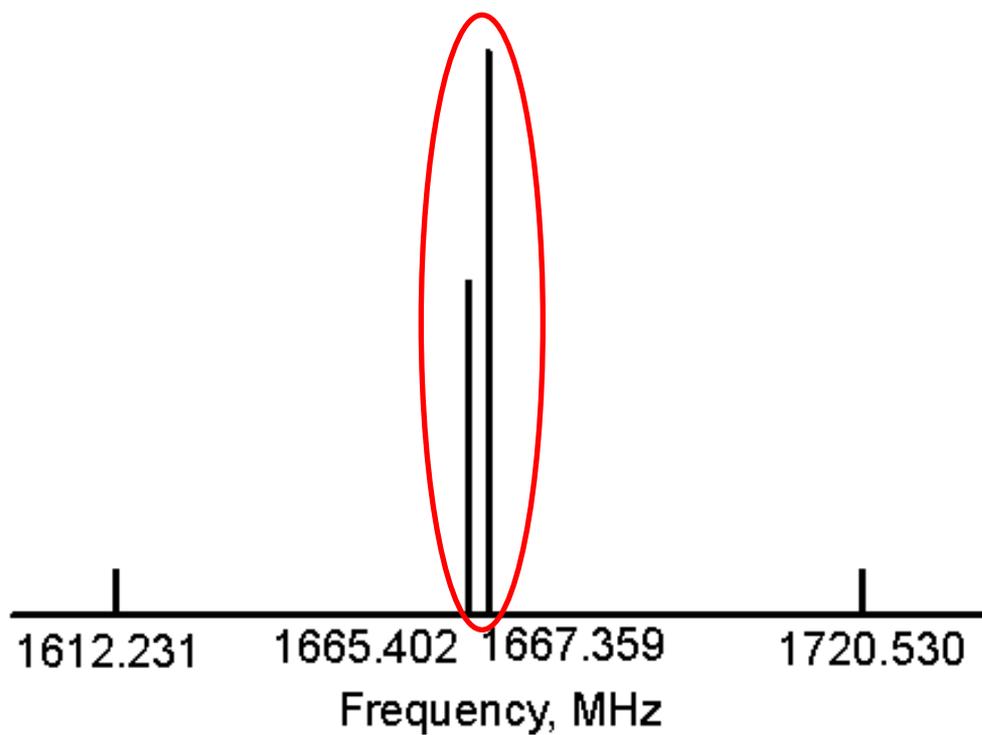


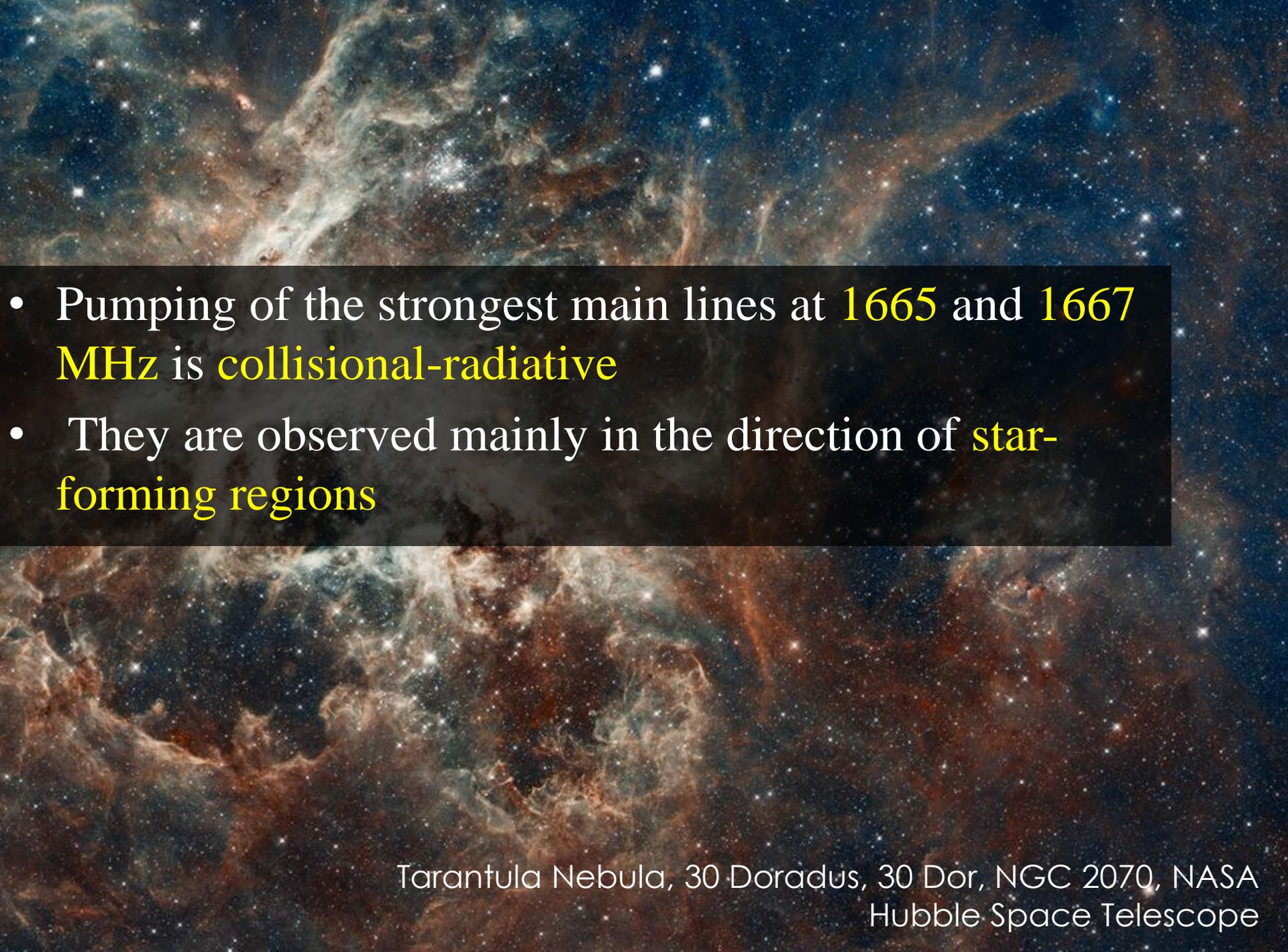
- Methanol **the last** of ten molecules from which maser emission has been observed in space
- At the present time a methanol is one of the most **common** and one of the most **investigated** molecules in space

◎ What is common between these masers and what are the differences, is strongly dependent on **the type of objects** in which these masers are formed, and **the evolutionary status** of the molecular cloud



OH

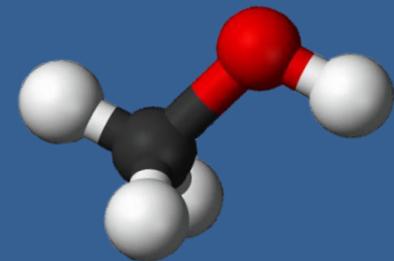


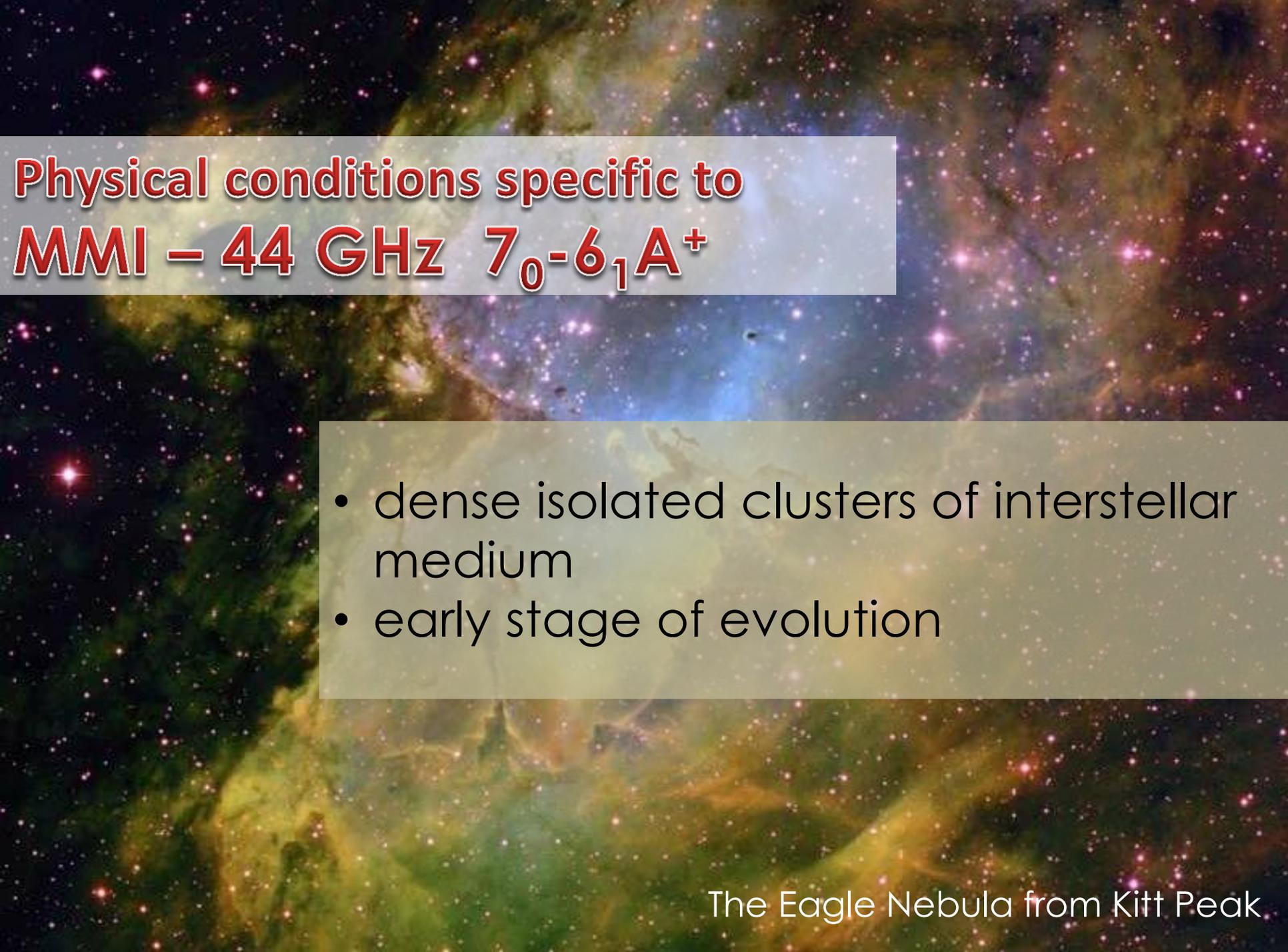
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- The background of the slide is a detailed image of the Tarantula Nebula, showing intricate filaments of gas and dust in shades of blue, green, and brown, set against a dark starry field.
- Pumping of the strongest main lines at **1665** and **1667 MHz** is **collisional-radiative**
 - They are observed mainly in the direction of **star-forming regions**

Tarantula Nebula, 30 Doradus, 30 Dor, NGC 2070, NASA
Hubble Space Telescope



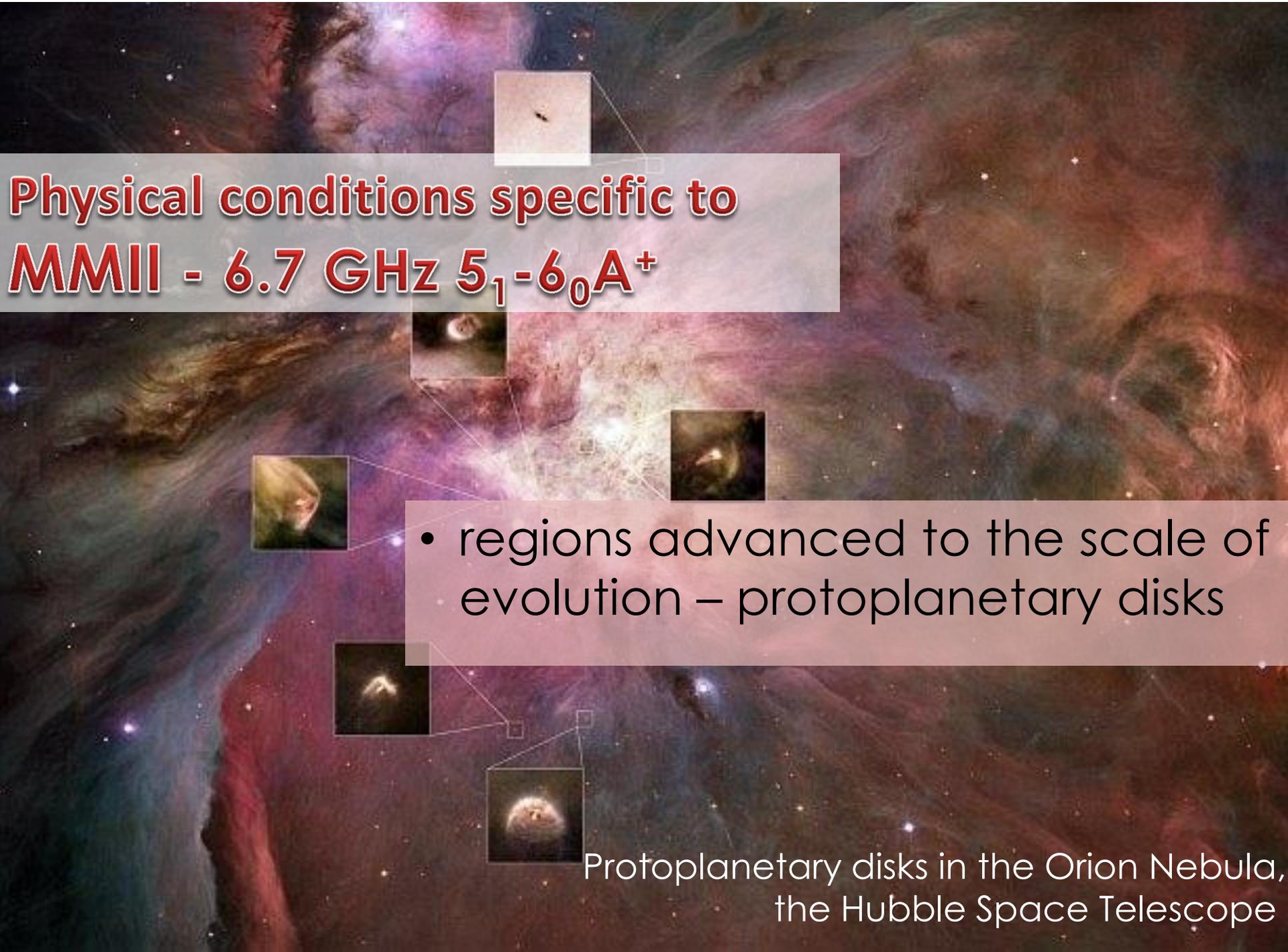
- The molecule has more than **two hundred allowed quantum energy transitions**, whose radiation is available for earth observation by radio telescopes



The background of the slide is a vibrant, multi-colored image of the Eagle Nebula, showing intricate patterns of interstellar dust and gas in shades of green, blue, and purple, with numerous bright stars scattered throughout.

Physical conditions specific to
MMI – 44 GHz $7_0-6_1A^+$

- dense isolated clusters of interstellar medium
- early stage of evolution

The background is a vibrant, multi-colored image of the Orion Nebula, showing various shades of red, purple, blue, and green. Several small, square inset images are scattered across the scene, each connected to a specific region of the nebula by thin white lines. These insets show different stages of protoplanetary disk evolution, from dark, dusty clouds to bright, glowing disks.

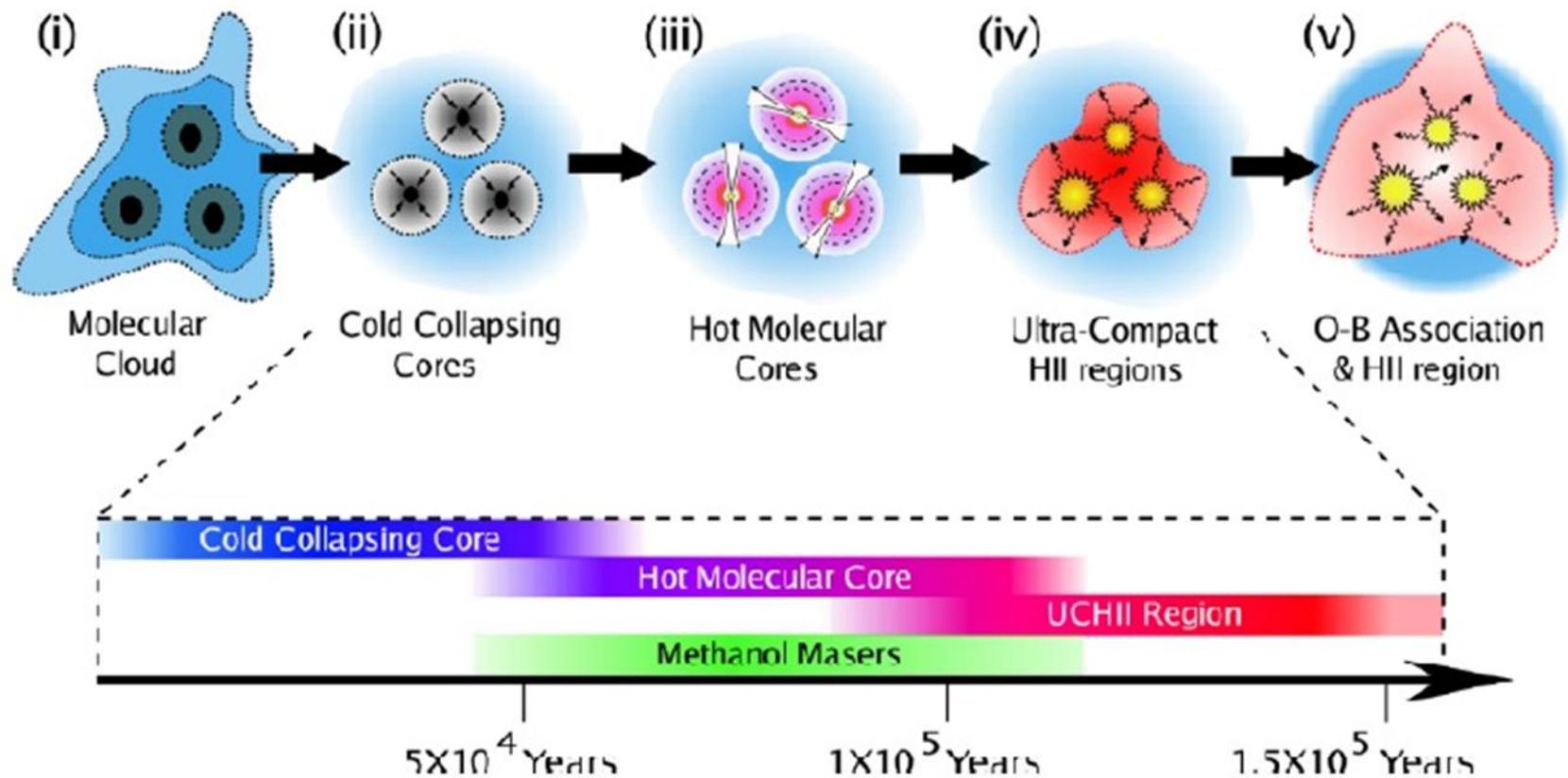
**Physical conditions specific to
MMII - 6.7 GHz $5_1-6_0A^+$**

- regions advanced to the scale of evolution – protoplanetary disks

Protoplanetary disks in the Orion Nebula,
the Hubble Space Telescope

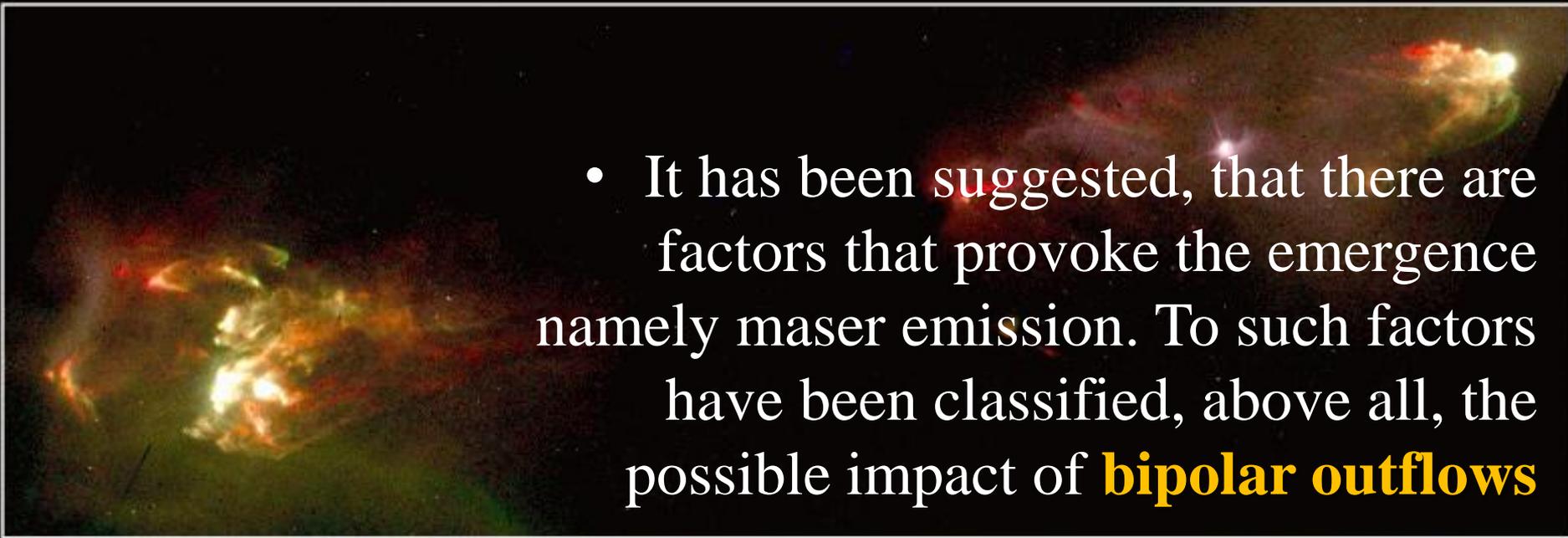
Table shows a comparison of the characteristics of MMI and MMII

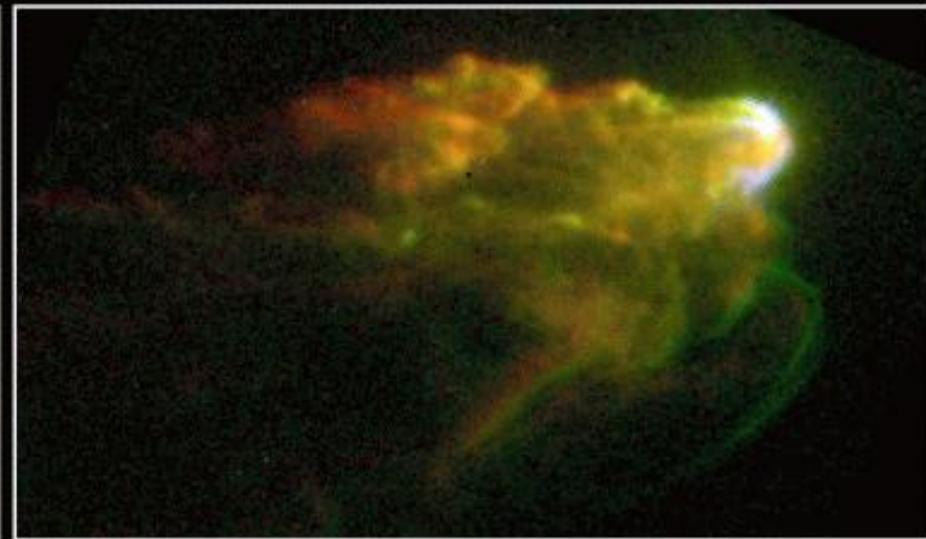
	MMI	MMII
methanol column density	$10^{16}\text{--}10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-2}$	10^{17} cm^{-2}
density	$\sim 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$	$10^6\text{--}10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
temperature	$\sim 25\text{--}100 \text{ K}$	$\sim 30\text{--}175 \text{ K}$
scale	1000 A.U.	<1000 A.U.
number	~ 200 objects (not including the objects from work X. Chen, S. P. Ellingsen 2011)	~ 800 objects



- Nature of MMII well studied and understood - basically, it's **protoplanetary disks** at the edge of HII regions
 - *A cartoon shows when the methanol maser emission supposedly occurs*

- The nature of MMI is still a mystery
- Although the type of **collisional pumping** of these masers was obvious since the start of their research and is associated with the specific structure of the quantum levels of a methanol molecule, still not clear the fact why the thermal emission of methanol in the interstellar medium occurs quite often, but **maser - much less**

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- It has been suggested, that there are factors that provoke the emergence namely maser emission. To such factors have been classified, above all, the possible impact of **bipolar outflows**

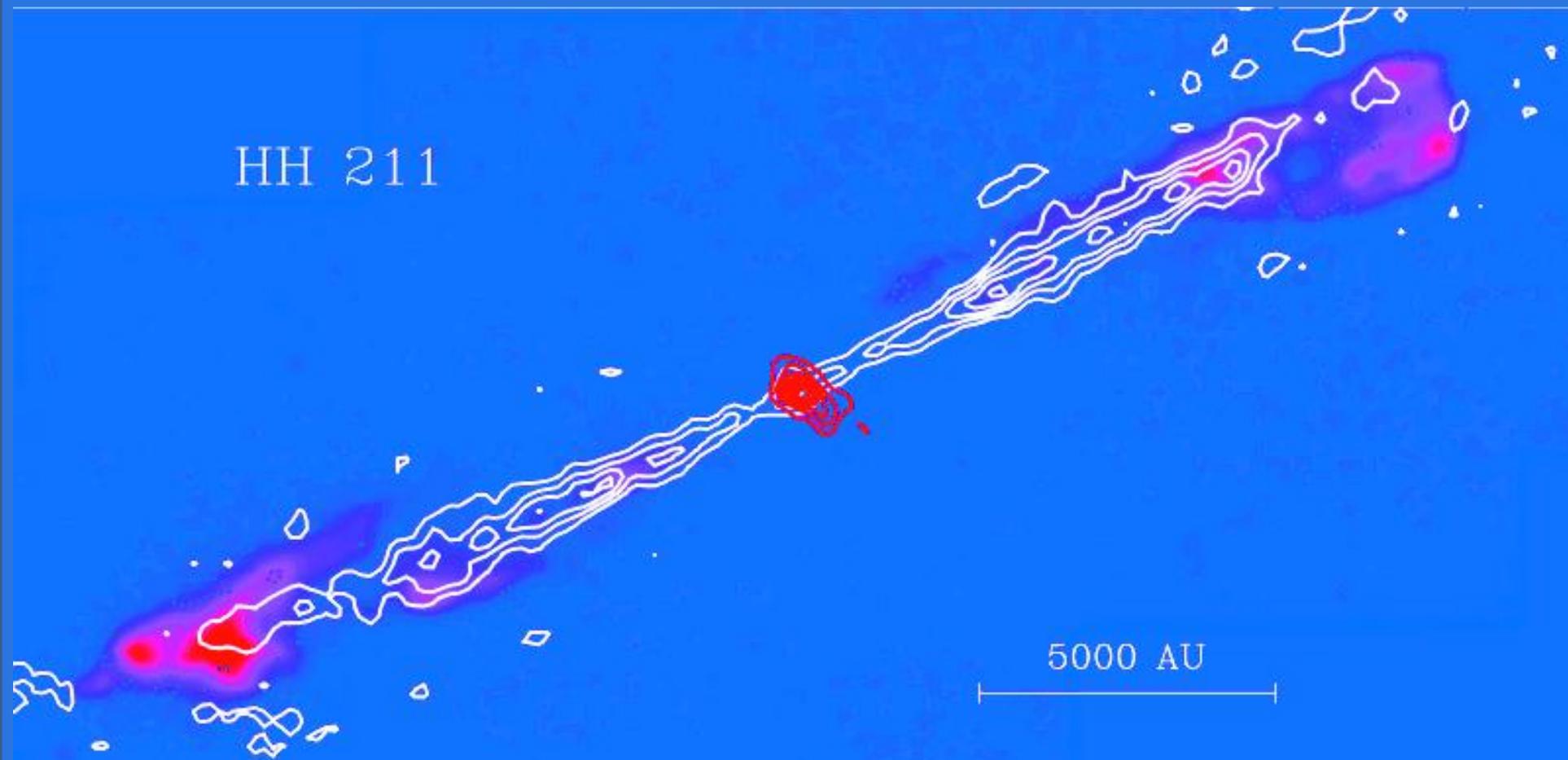


Jets from Young Stars · HH1/HH2

HST · WFPC2

bipolar outflows

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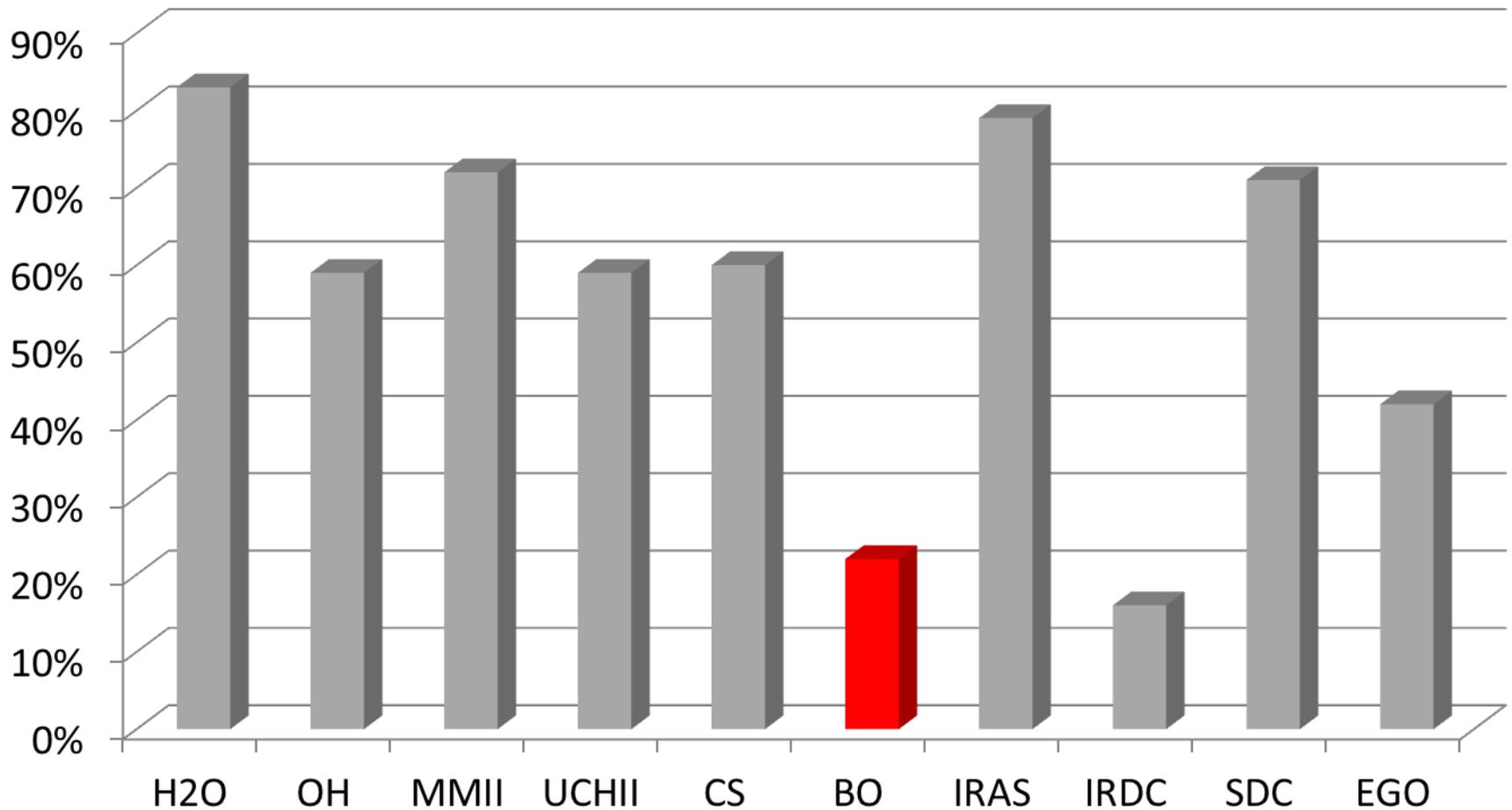
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- It is assumed, that bipolar outflows wrap around the condensation can increase density of matter in it, thus accelerating and intensifying the evaporation of methanol molecules from the surface of interstellar grains

Class I methanol maser catalog

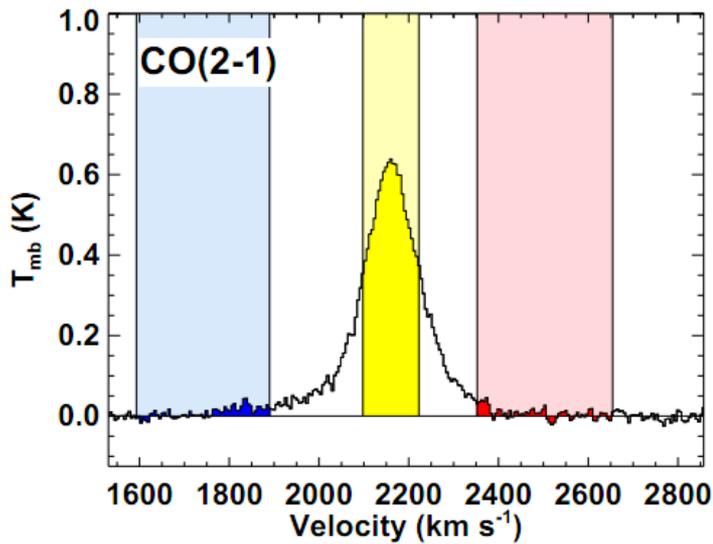
206 Class I methanol masers,
third version - <http://www.asc.rssi.ru/MMI>

N	Position	Source Name	RA	Dec	$\int S dv ; V_{LSR}$	Maser Identification	IR identification:	Identification with	Molecules traced dense gas:	Distance
			(B1950) / (J2000)	(B1950) / (J2000)	for the strongest detail of the methanol spectra	MMII (Y) OH H ₂ O	/IRAS /IRDC /SDC /EGO(number of table in [CWH])	UCHII BO	CS	
			h m s	° ' "	Jy km s ⁻¹ ; km s ⁻¹					kpc
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	119.779-6.031	CB3 NGC2071 HH7-11 IMYSO [BKY]	00 25 56.98 / 00 28 42.7	56 25 32.1 / 56 42 07	20.64; -33.96 [BKY]	W [BKY]	/00252+5625 / / /	BO [CB]	CS [CB]	2.5 [BKY]
2	121.298+0.659	IMYSO [BKY]	00 33 53.38 / 00 36 47.5	63 12 31.9 / 63 29 02	4.29; -17.54[BKY]	Y [SHK] W [BKY]	/00338+6312 / / /		CS [BNM]	0.85 [BKY]
3	122.015-7.072	Mol 3	00 42 05.46 / 00 44 57.6	55 30 54 / 55 47 18	1.6; -48.8 [FCF]	W [PBC]	/00420+5530 / / /			4.33 [PBC]
4	133.749+1.198	W3(3) LDN1359	02 22 06.1 / 02 25 53.5	61 50 40 / 62 04 10.7	10; -38.40 [BMG]	W [SIM]	/02226+6150 / / /	BO W33/RS5 [H1]	CS [AEP]	2.4 [AEP]
5	133.949+1.065	W3(OH)	02 23 17.3 / 02 27 4.62	61 38 58 / 61 52 25.6	4.2; -46.49 [HMB]	Y [PMB] OH [SIM] [ARM] W [SIM]	02232+6138 / / /	UCHII [BNM]	CS [BNM]	2.4 [AEP] 1.95 [RMZ1]

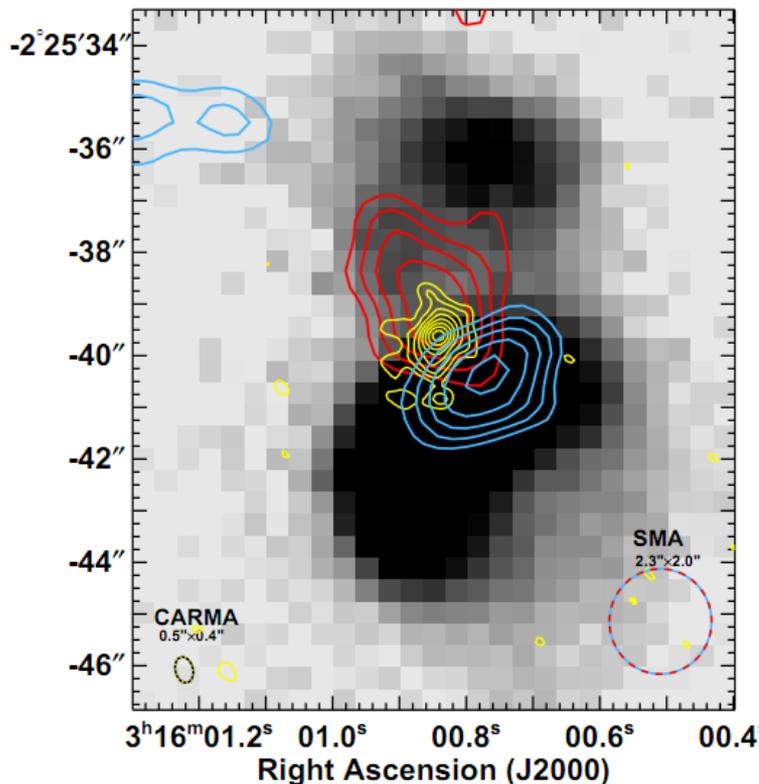
- According to our researches a formal association of bipolar flows and MMI - is not obvious



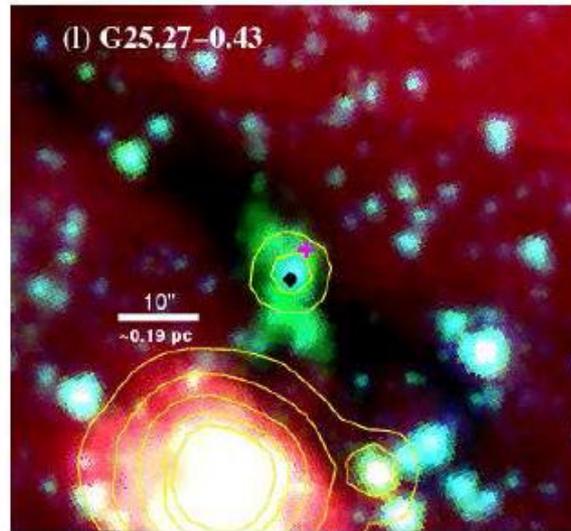
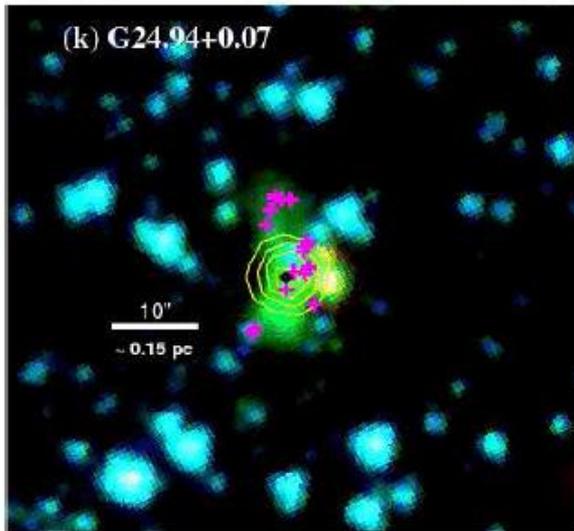
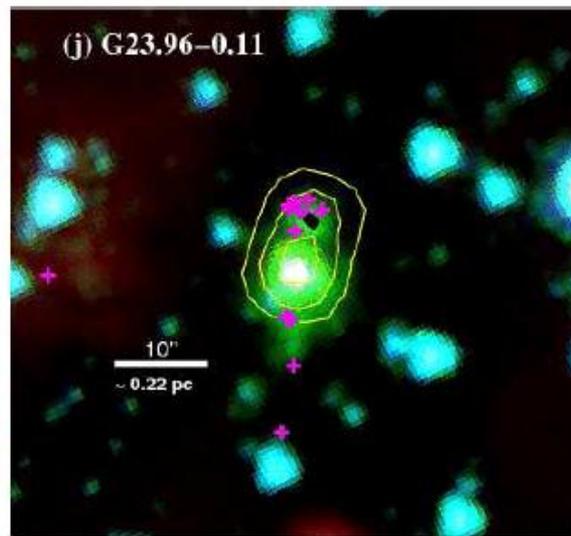
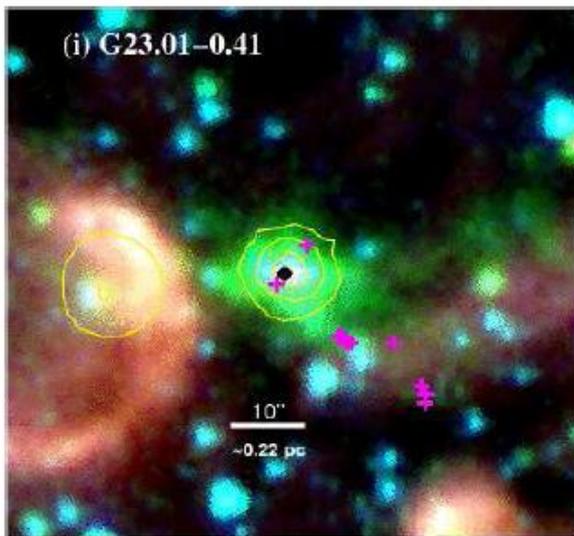
22% (46) of the MMI are associated with **bipolar outflows**



- These results are based on **traditional methods** of detection bipolar outflows, mainly on the presence of broad **CO line wings**
- Observational selection effects are probably important in this case, since bipolar outflows **cannot always be revealed** using the lines that are usually used to search for them



The line profile of the CO ($J = 2 \rightarrow 1$) transition as observed by the SMA submillimeter array



Three-color GLIMPSE
IRAC images showing

8.0 μm

4.5 μm

3.6 μm

*A Class I and Class II CH₃OH Maser
Survey of Extended Green Objects
(EGO) from the GLIMPSE Survey*
C.J. Cyganowski, C.L. Brogan, T.R.
Hunter, E. Churchwell

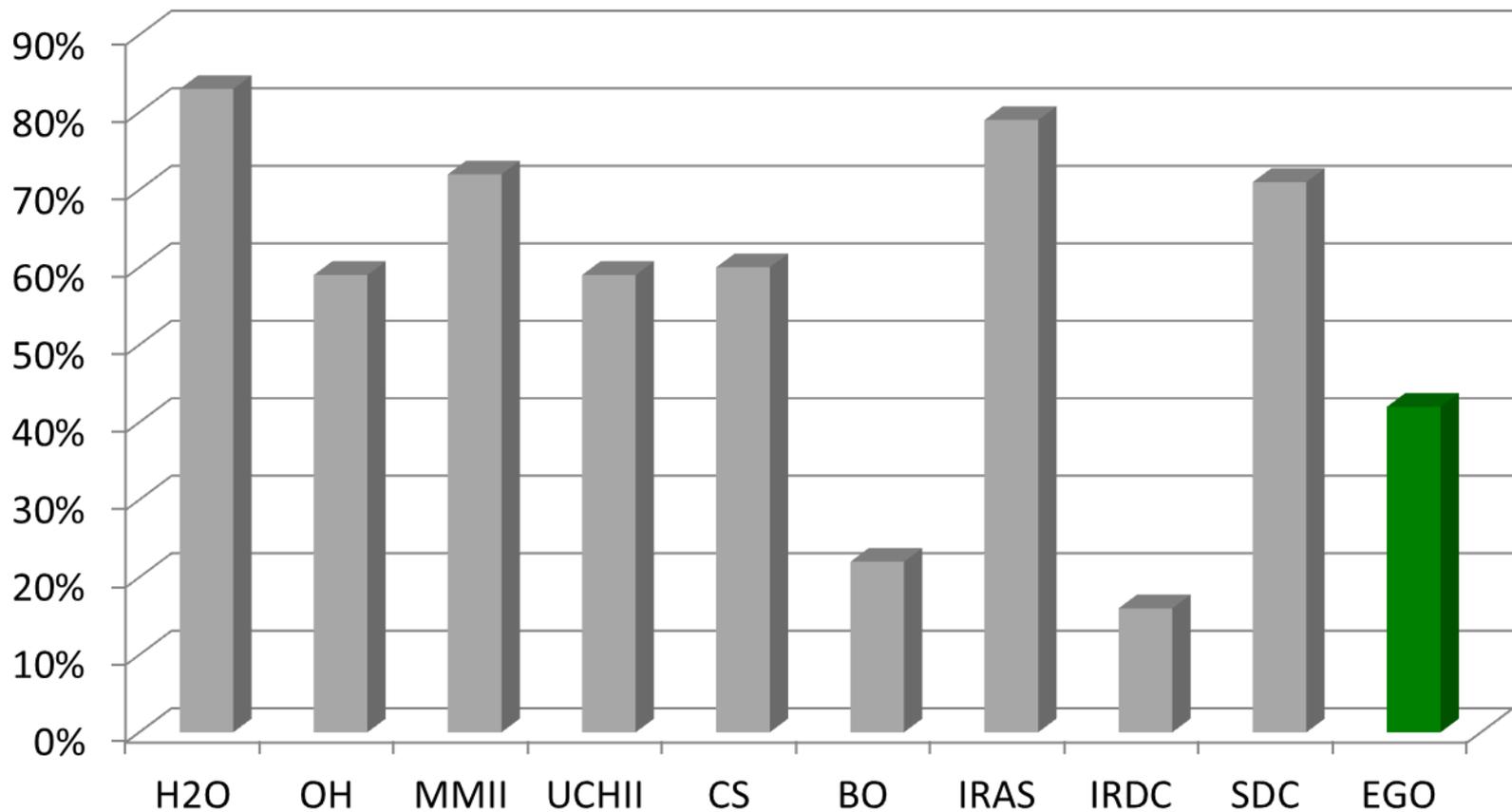
Extended green objects (EGO)

Organization	NASA/ JPL/ Caltech
Launch date	2003-08-25
Mission length	2.5 to 5+ years (8 years, 8 months and 24 days elapsed)
Wavelength	3 to 180 micrometers
Diameter	0.85 m



Spitzer Space Telescope

- is an infrared space observatory launched in 2003
- It is the fourth and final of the NASA Great Observatories program



According to our research

42% (59 of 139*) of the MMI are associated with **EGO**

*only 139 MMI fall in the longitude range explored by Spitzer

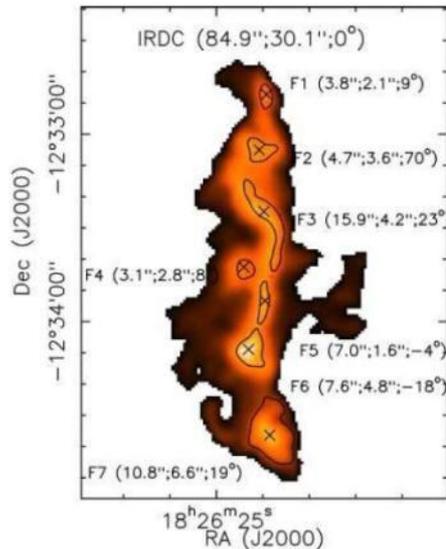
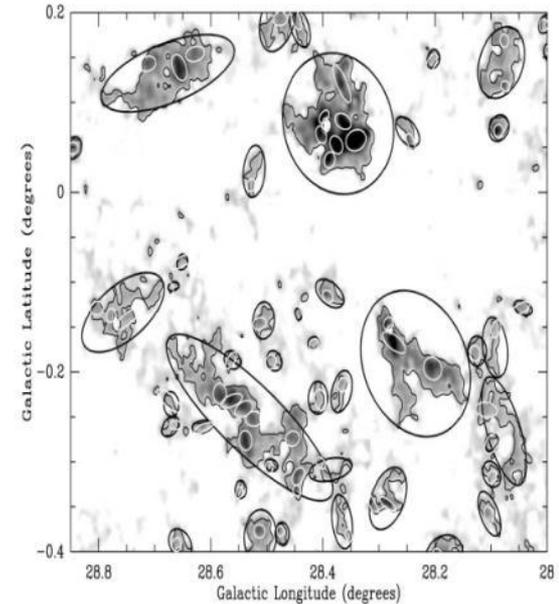
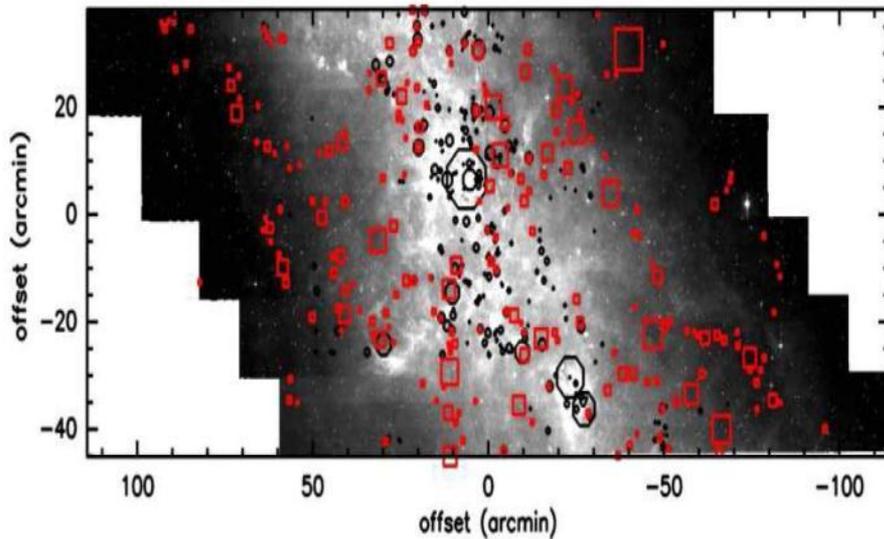
We consider that in addition to **bipolar outflows**, provocative factors may also be:

- **self-gravity**
- **shock front of SNR**
- **cloud collisions**
- **and magnetic fields**

we decided to study these possibilities

self-gravity

Dark clouds in the Milky Way on the background radiation of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) to $8\ \mu\text{m}$

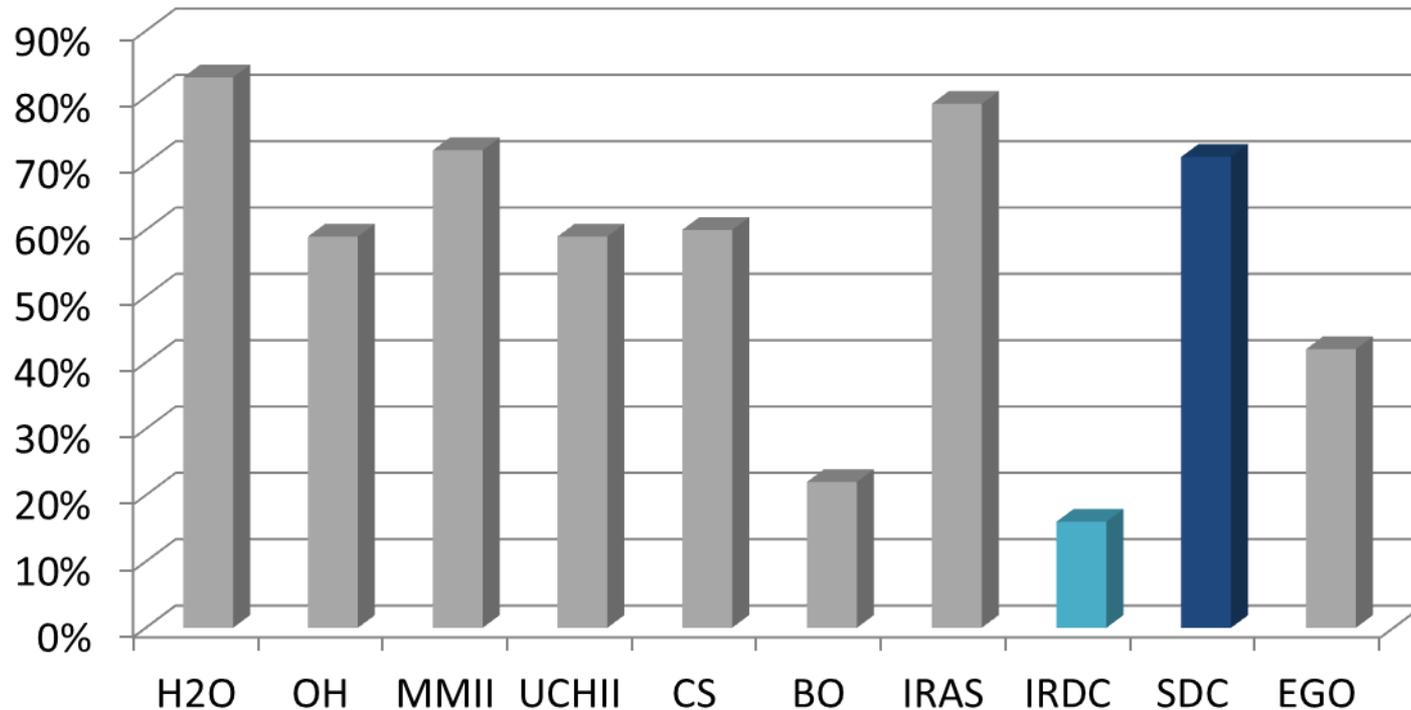


top left: SPITZER map

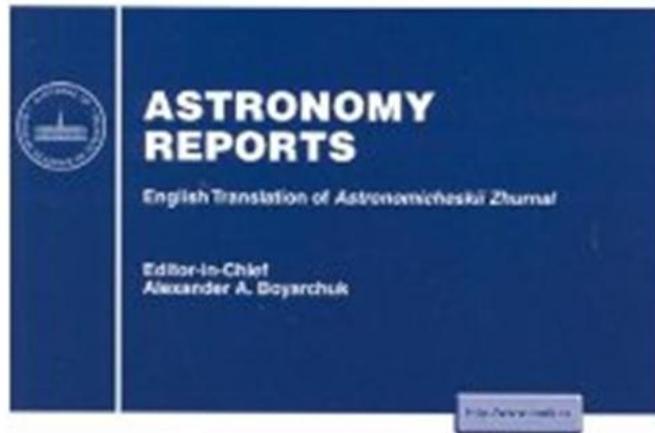
top right: MSX map

Bottom: map of the typical SPITZER
SDC dark cloud

Statistical analysis of the association MMI and IRDC/SDC based on our catalog show:



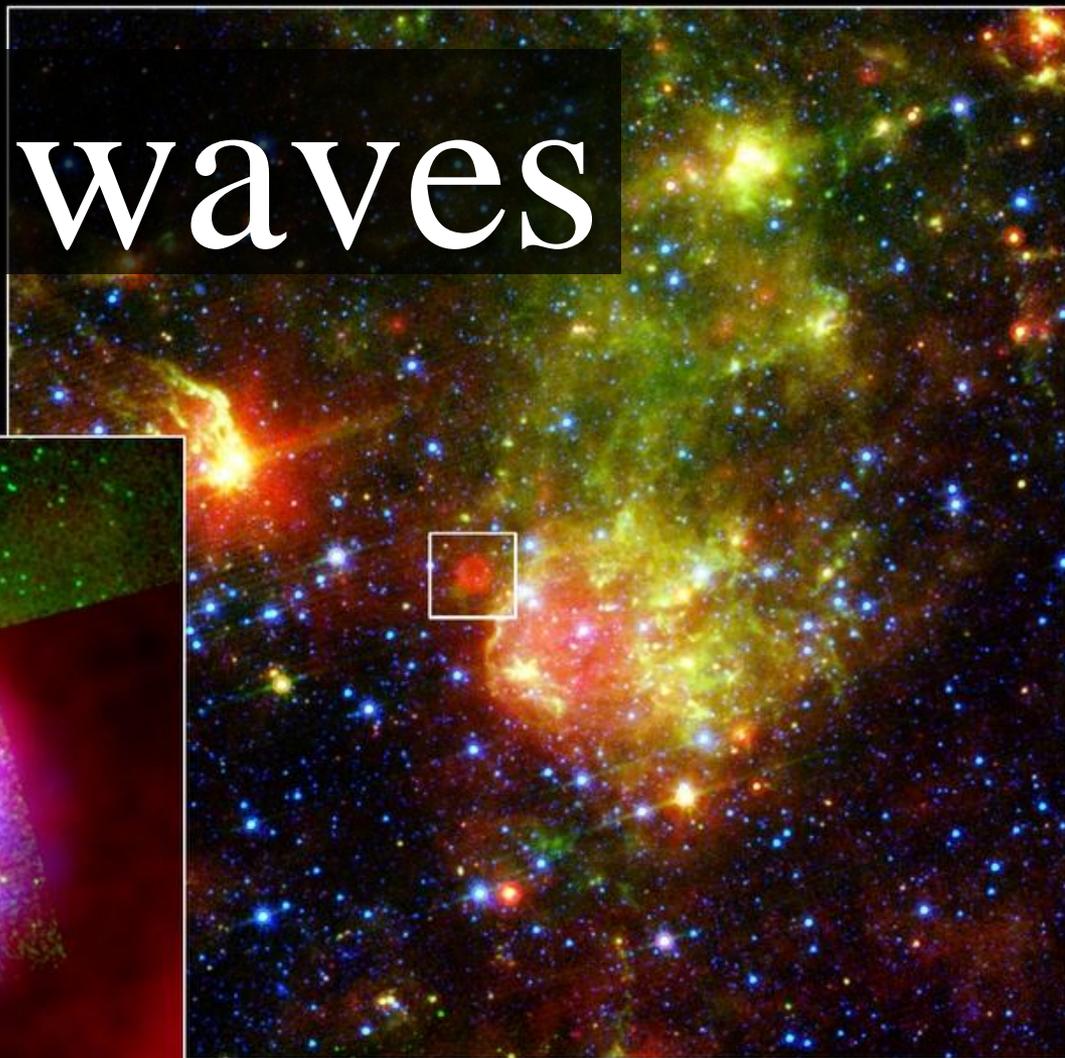
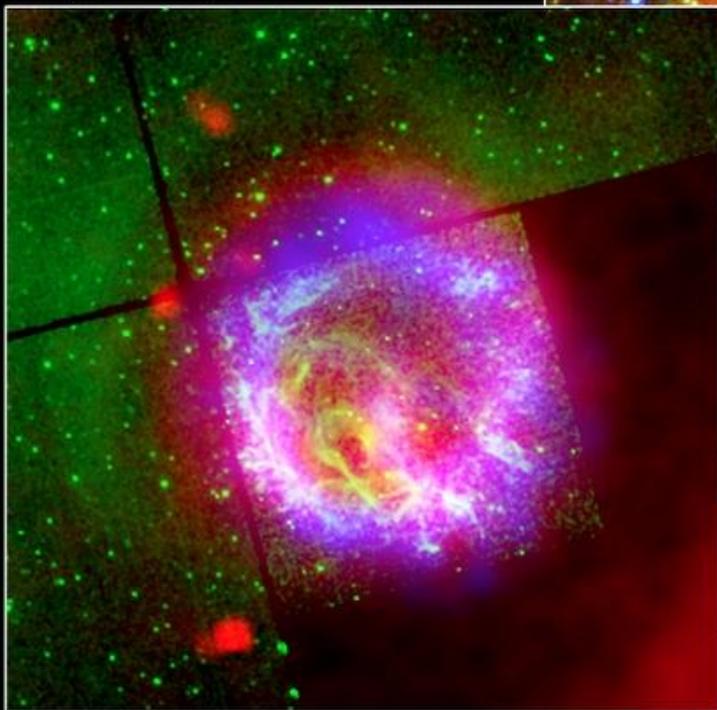
- **16%** (33) of the MMI are associated with **IRDC** from the MSX survey
- **71%** (99 of 139) of the MMI are associated with **SDC** from the Spitzer survey



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shock waves

X-ray, Visible, Infrared



Infrared

Dusty Supernova Remnant

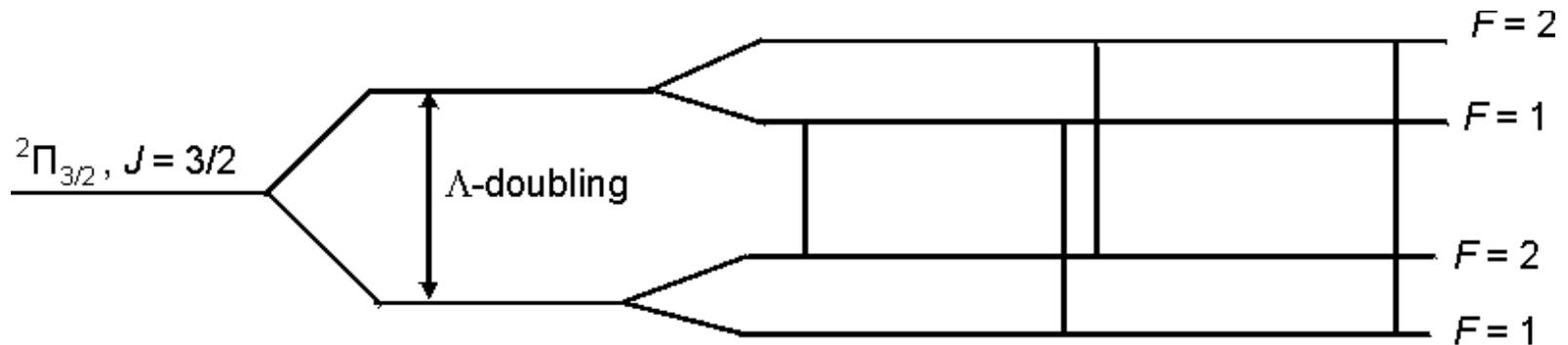
NASA / JPL-Caltech / S. Stanimirovic (University of California at Berkeley)

Spitzer Space Telescope • IRAC • MIPS

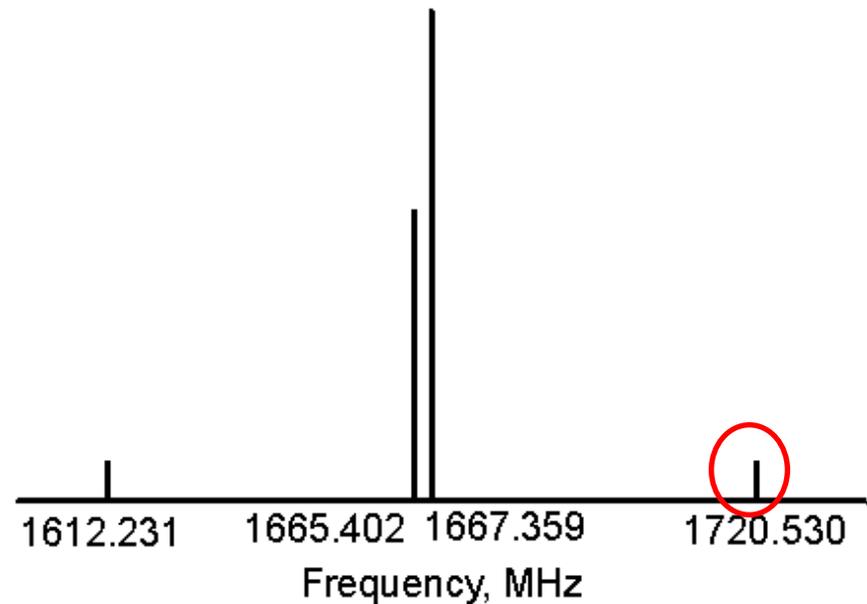
Chandra X-Ray Observatory • Hubble Space Telescope

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Let's go back to OH molecule



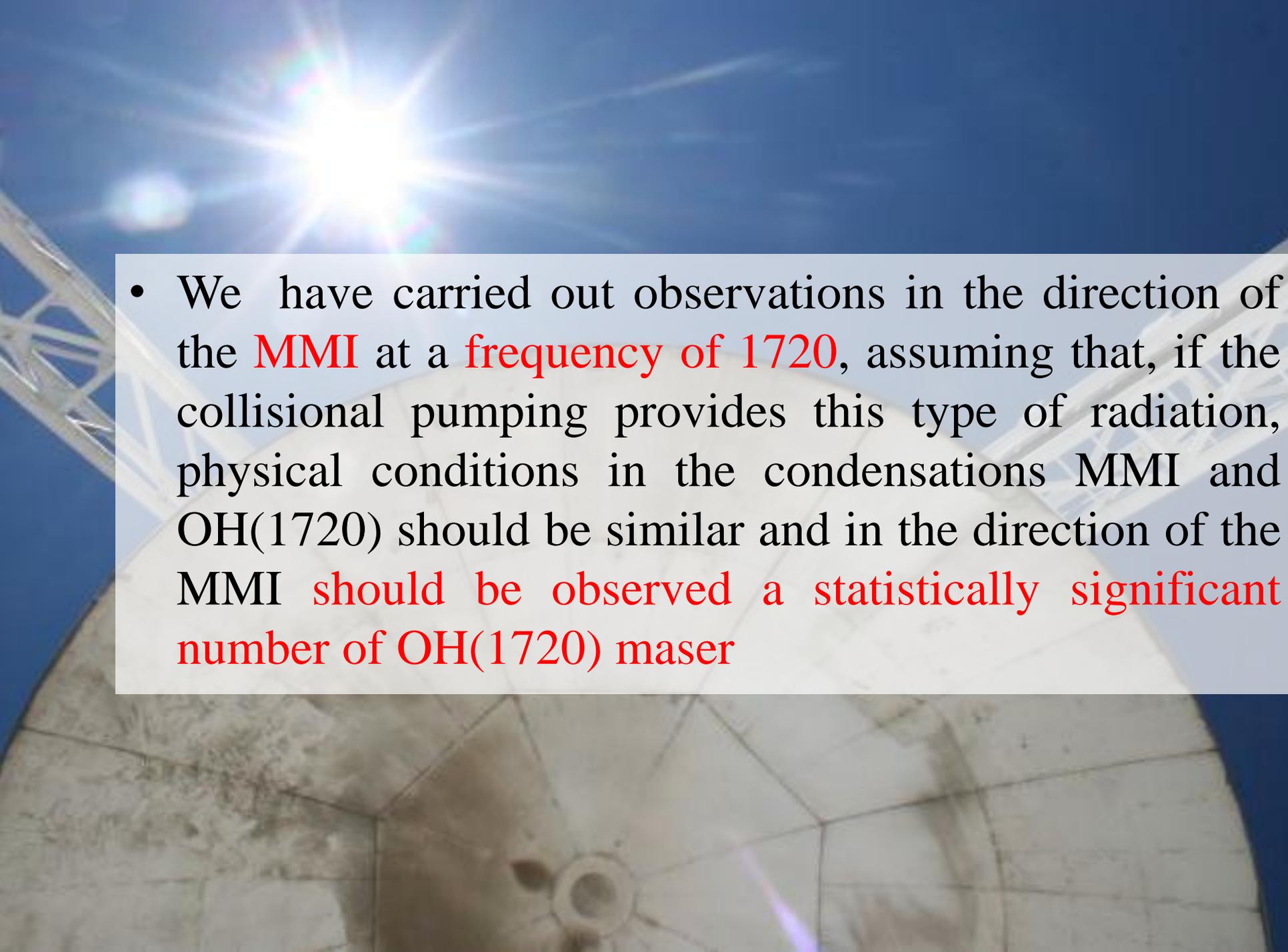
OH



- Pumping of one of the satellite line at **1720 MHz is purely collisional**
- They are observed mainly in the direction of supernova remnants, ie, are **tracers of shock waves**



Tarantula Nebula, 30 Doradus, 30 Dor, NGC 2070, NASA
Hubble Space Telescope

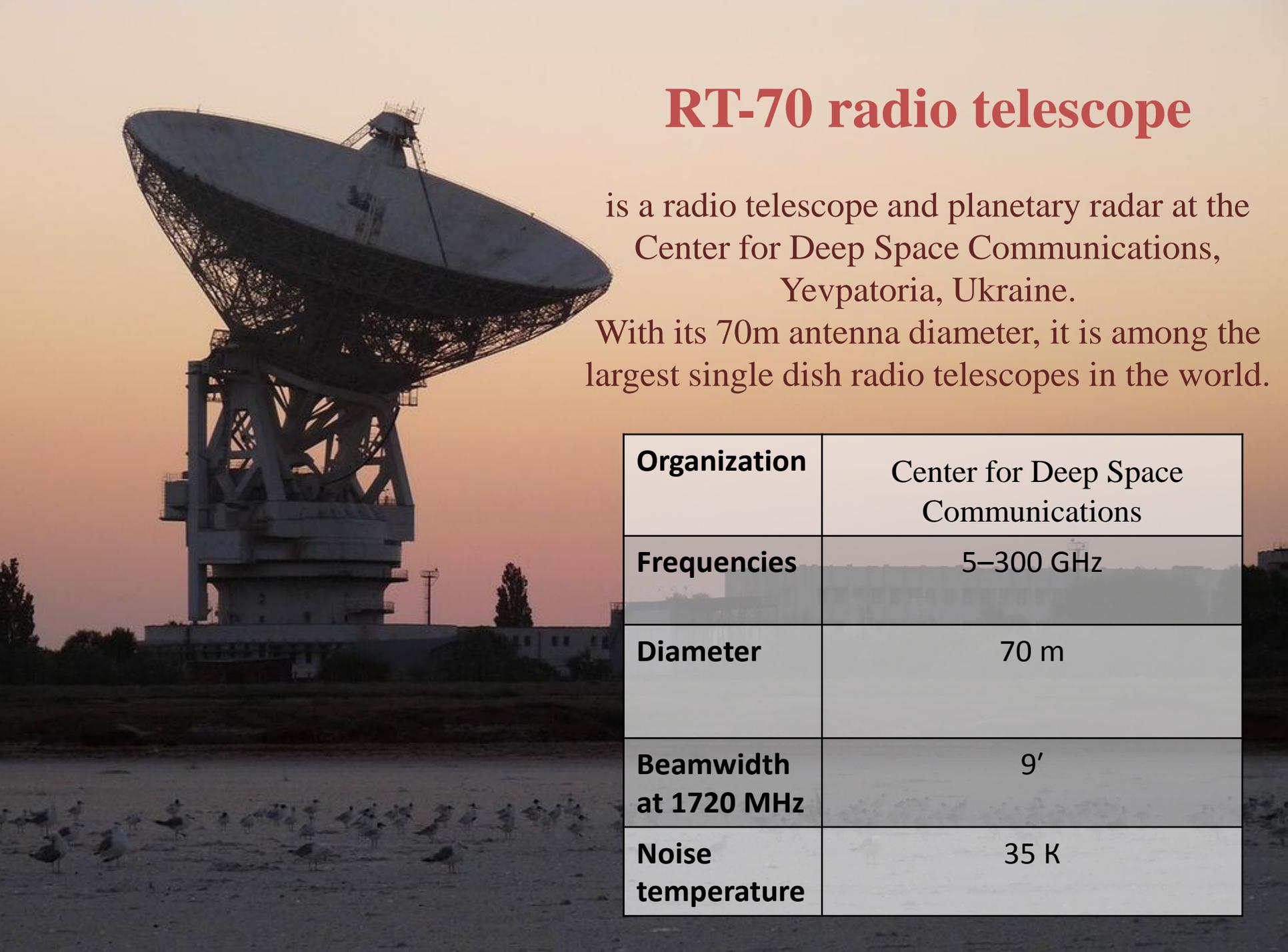
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- We have carried out observations in the direction of the **MMI** at a **frequency of 1720**, assuming that, if the collisional pumping provides this type of radiation, physical conditions in the condensations **MMI** and **OH(1720)** should be similar and in the direction of the **MMI** **should be observed a statistically significant number of OH(1720) maser**

RT-70 radio telescope

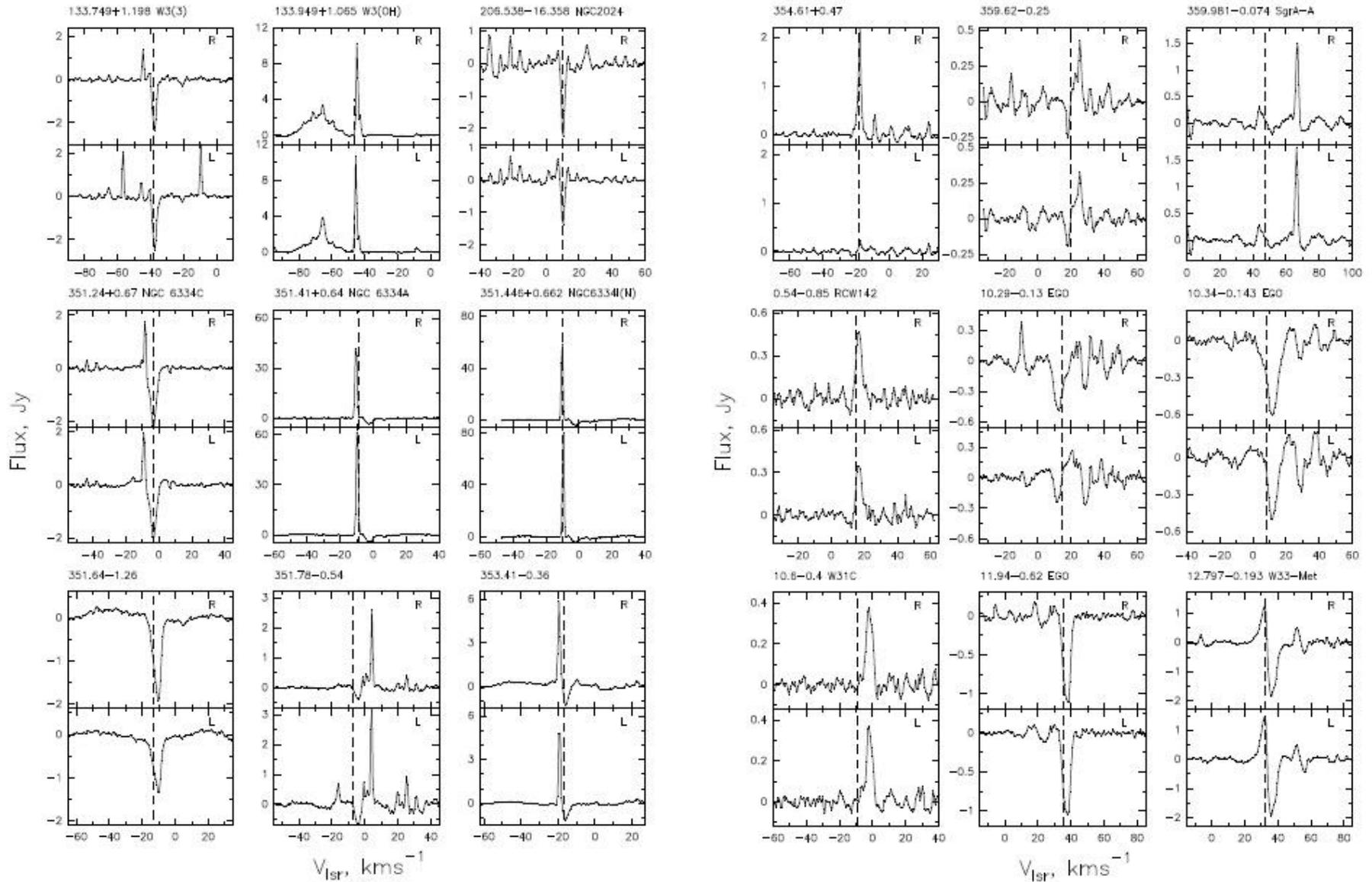
is a radio telescope and planetary radar at the Center for Deep Space Communications, Yevpatoria, Ukraine.

With its 70m antenna diameter, it is among the largest single dish radio telescopes in the world.

Organization	Center for Deep Space Communications
Frequencies	5–300 GHz
Diameter	70 m
Beamwidth at 1720 MHz	9'
Noise temperature	35 K



The spectra obtained from our observations on the RT-70



Results

- We obtained **72 spectra** without obvious interference
- We have estimated the following mean column densities of OH molecules:

$$N_{\text{OH}} = 1.5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

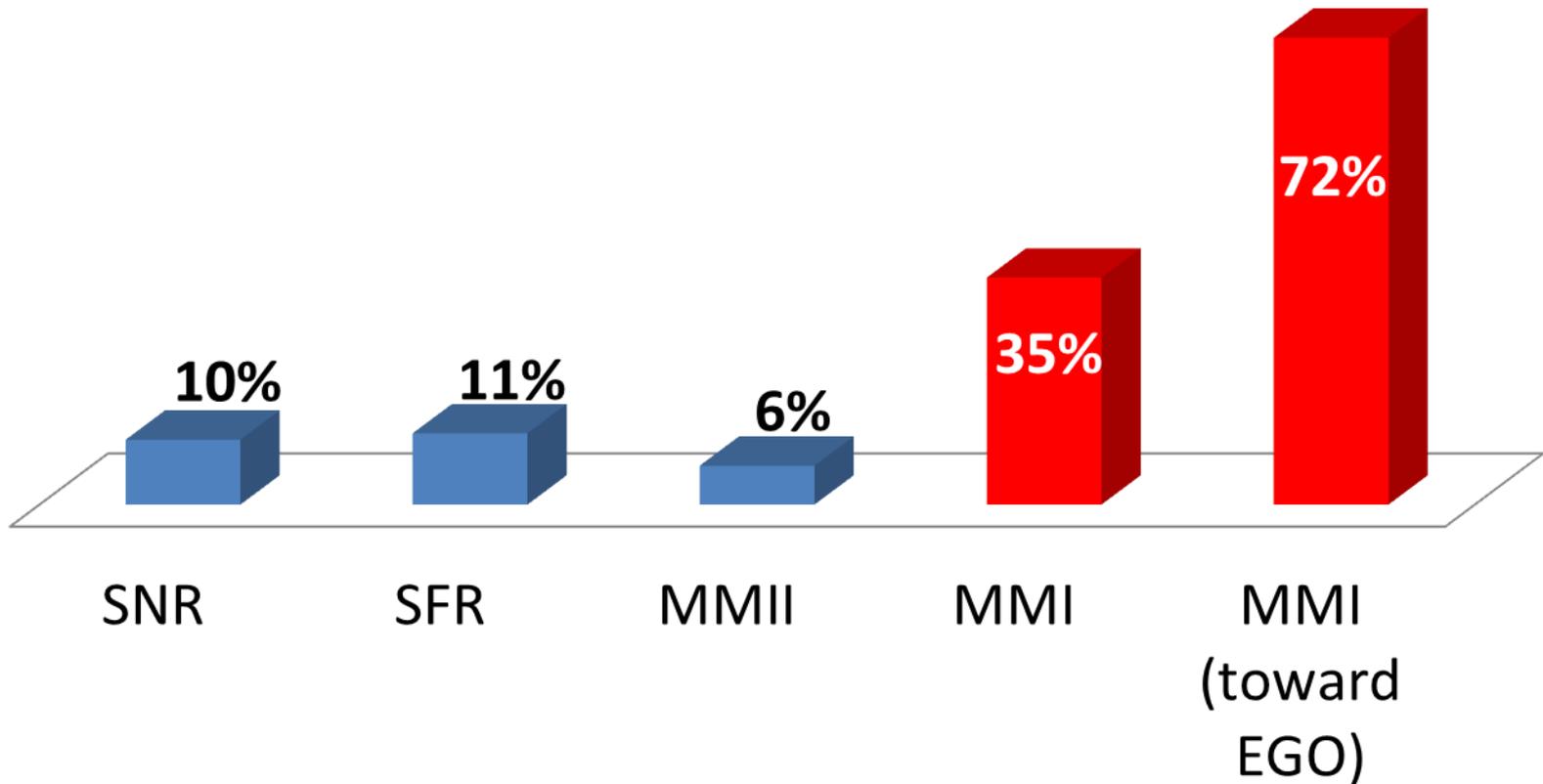
for narrow emission features with linewidths not exceeding 2 km/s

$$N_{\text{OH}} = 3.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-2}$$

for absorption features

- The flux densities in narrow features are no less than **100 mJy** (exceed **500 mJy** for a considerable number of lines)

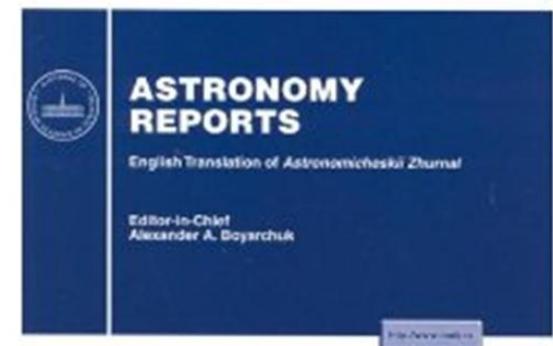
OH (1720) maser emission is observed toward:

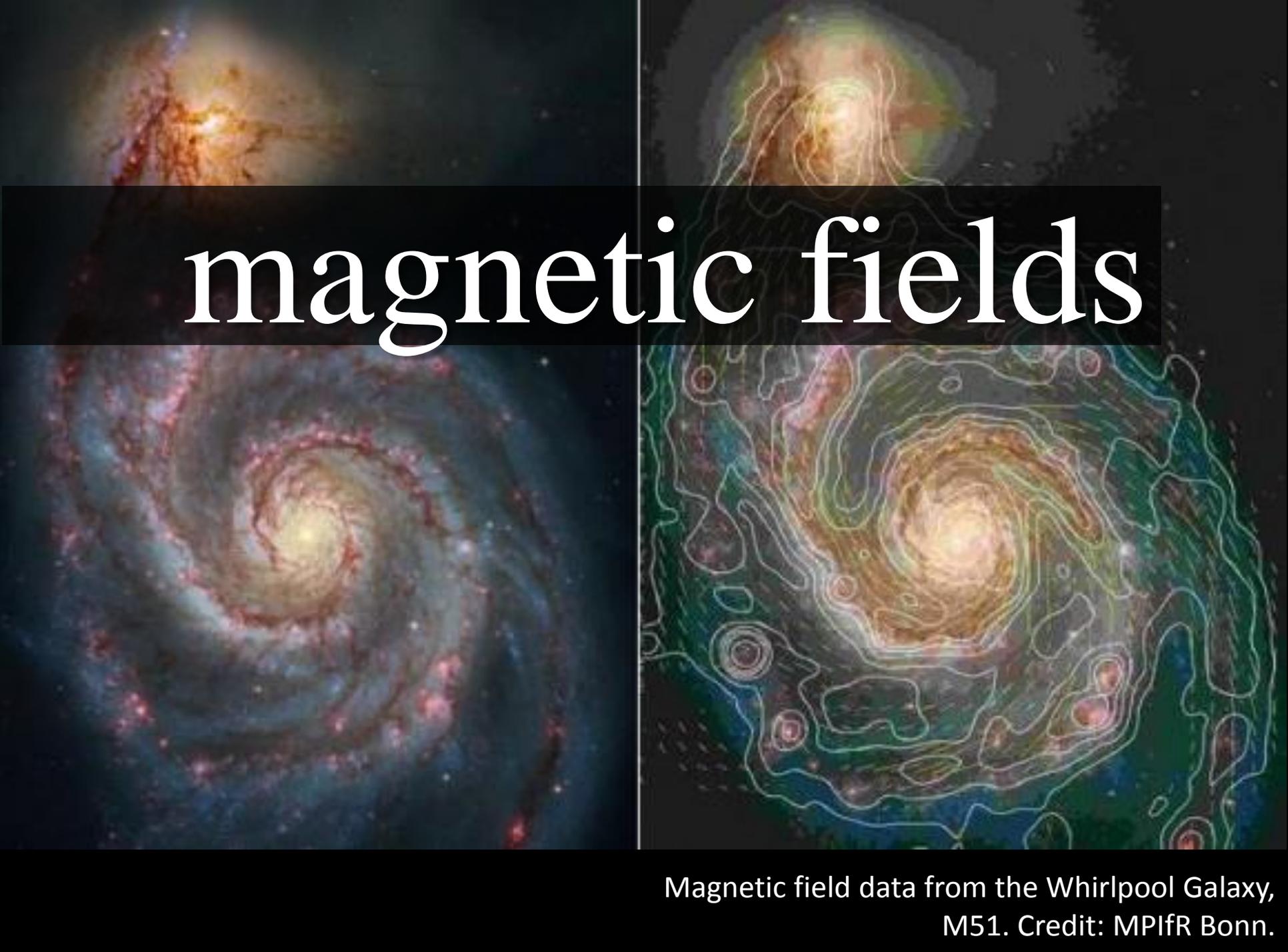


Results

- **The main result of this study** is the detection of numerous OH (1720) emission lines, many of which could be maser lines, observed in larger numbers toward MMI than toward SNRs, SFRs, and MMIs, as well as numerous OH (1720) absorption lines, which form narrow asymmetric spectra
- The presence of OH (1720) emission lines can be considered direct evidence for **the presence of shocks** in the observed regions

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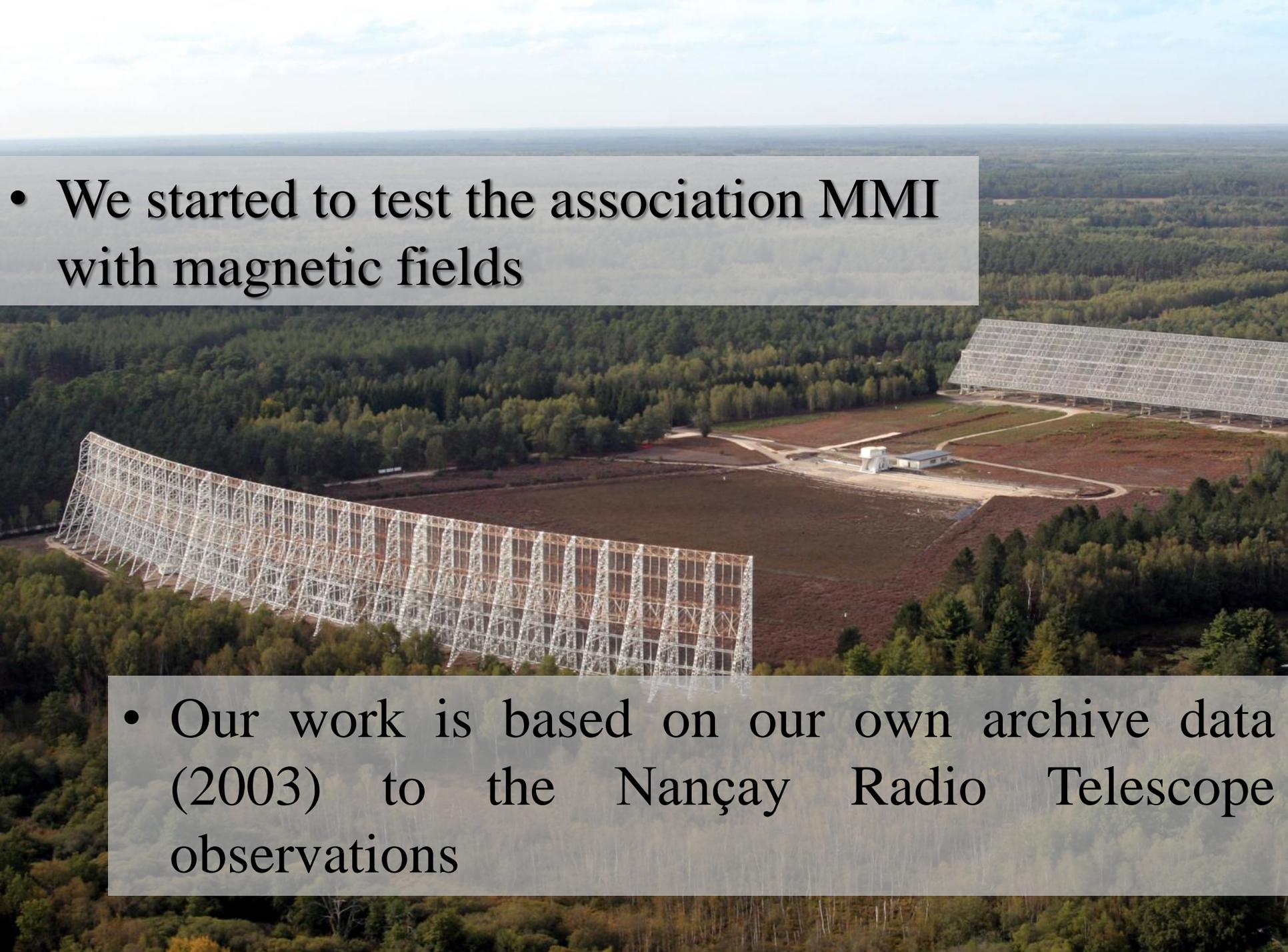




magnetic fields

Magnetic field data from the Whirlpool Galaxy,
M51. Credit: MPIfR Bonn.

- We started to test the association MMI with magnetic fields

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- Our work is based on our own archive data (2003) to the Nançay Radio Telescope observations

Nançay Radio Telescope

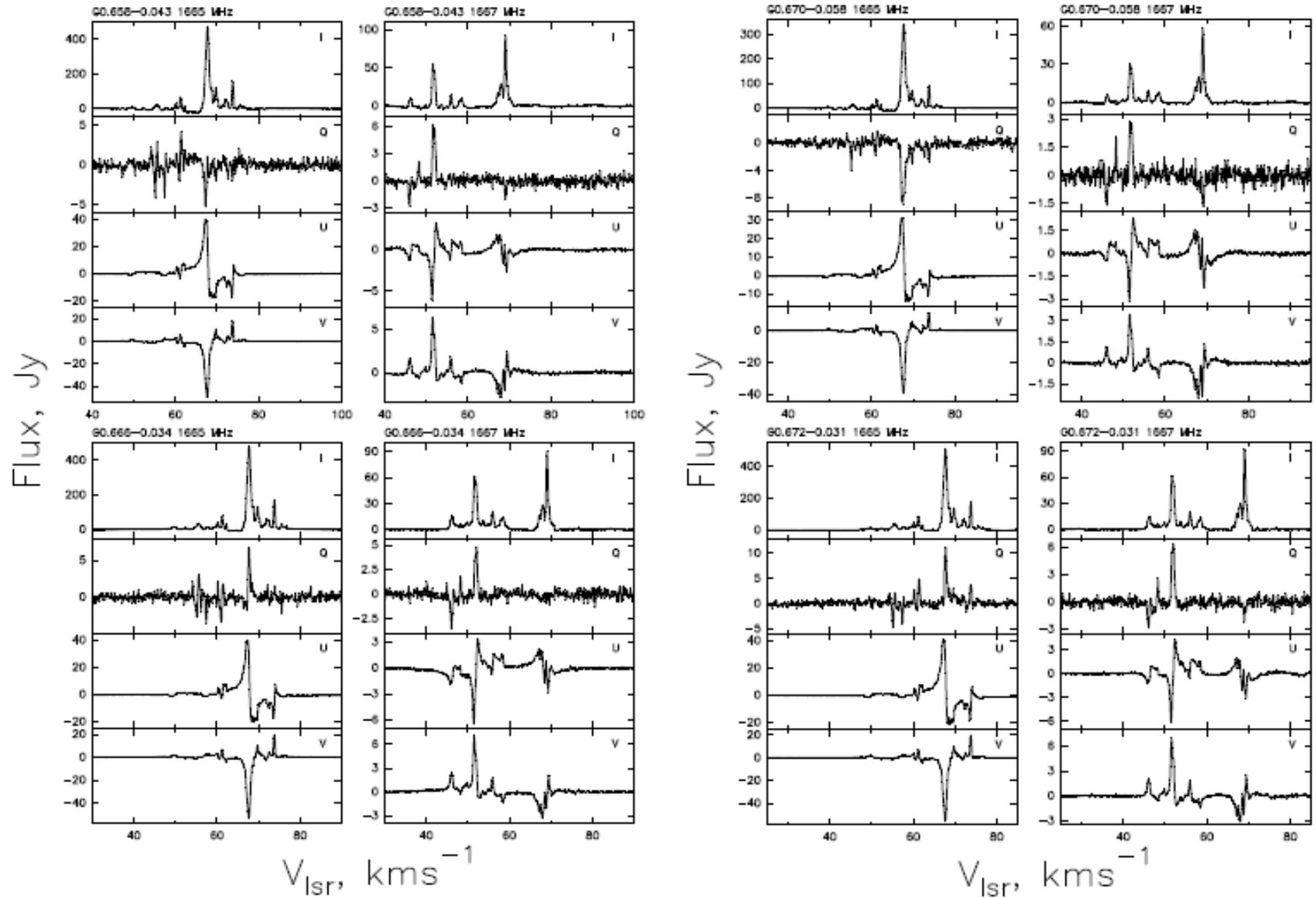
Nançay, France

Start of scientific observations	1967
Design	Kraus-type, with two mirrors
Primary mirror	ten panels 20 x40 m
Secondary mirror	section of a sphere R=560 m
Frequencies	1400 MHz 1660 MHz 3330 MHz
Wavelength	21 cm 18 cm 9 cm



- In this project we have conducted a survey of OH masers in all four Stokes parameters in order to measure their full polarization properties and found new highly linear polarized masers. This was the first such survey. Usually only LCP and RCP spectra have been measured, and only several OH masers have their Stokes parameters determined. In our list there were all known OH masers accessible from Nancay with flux density above 1 Jy.

PROSPECTS

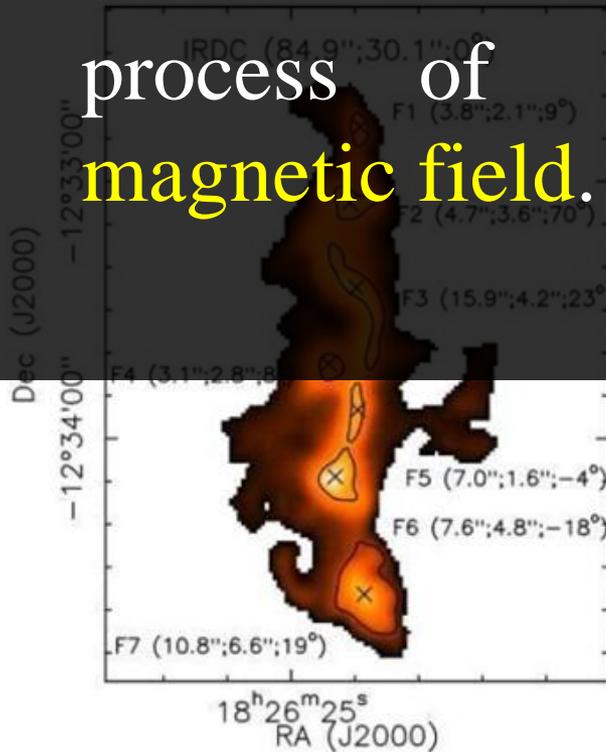


- At present processed all the sources (92) of this survey
- We propose to estimate the magnetic fields and to make conclusions

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- At the moment, our feeling and the impression is that ANY mechanism may provoke of MMI occurrence - as recognized **bipolar flows**, and the **shock front of a supernova remnant**, and the process of **self-gravitation**, and possibly **magnetic field**.

- **Not only one.**



- We continue this work and hope to get **reliable arguments in favor of one factor** that provoke the most enigmatic of masers – MMI.

A photograph of a series of tall, white lattice towers, likely for telecommunications or radio, arranged in a line on a grassy hill. The towers are set against a sky with scattered white clouds. In the foreground, there's a paved path and some greenery. A semi-transparent white banner is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "Thank you for your attention!".

Thank you for your attention!