

A Reply to Palla & Stahler 2000: An Origin of Accelerating Star Formation

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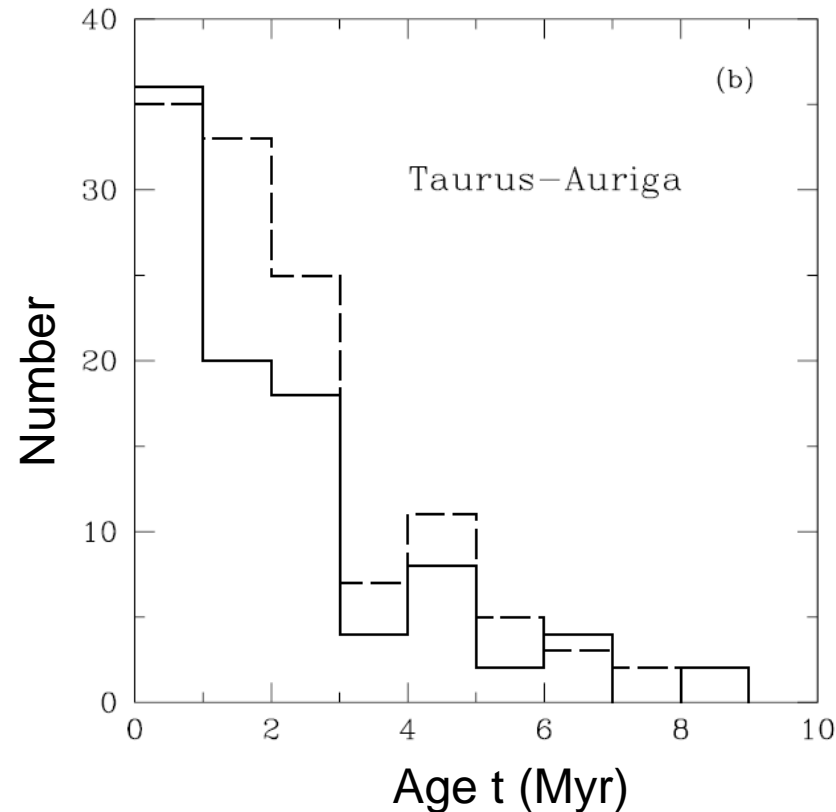
ACCELERATING STAR FORMATION IN CLUSTERS AND ASSOCIATIONS FRANCESCO PALLA AND STEVEN W. STAHLER

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Section 4. DISCUSSION

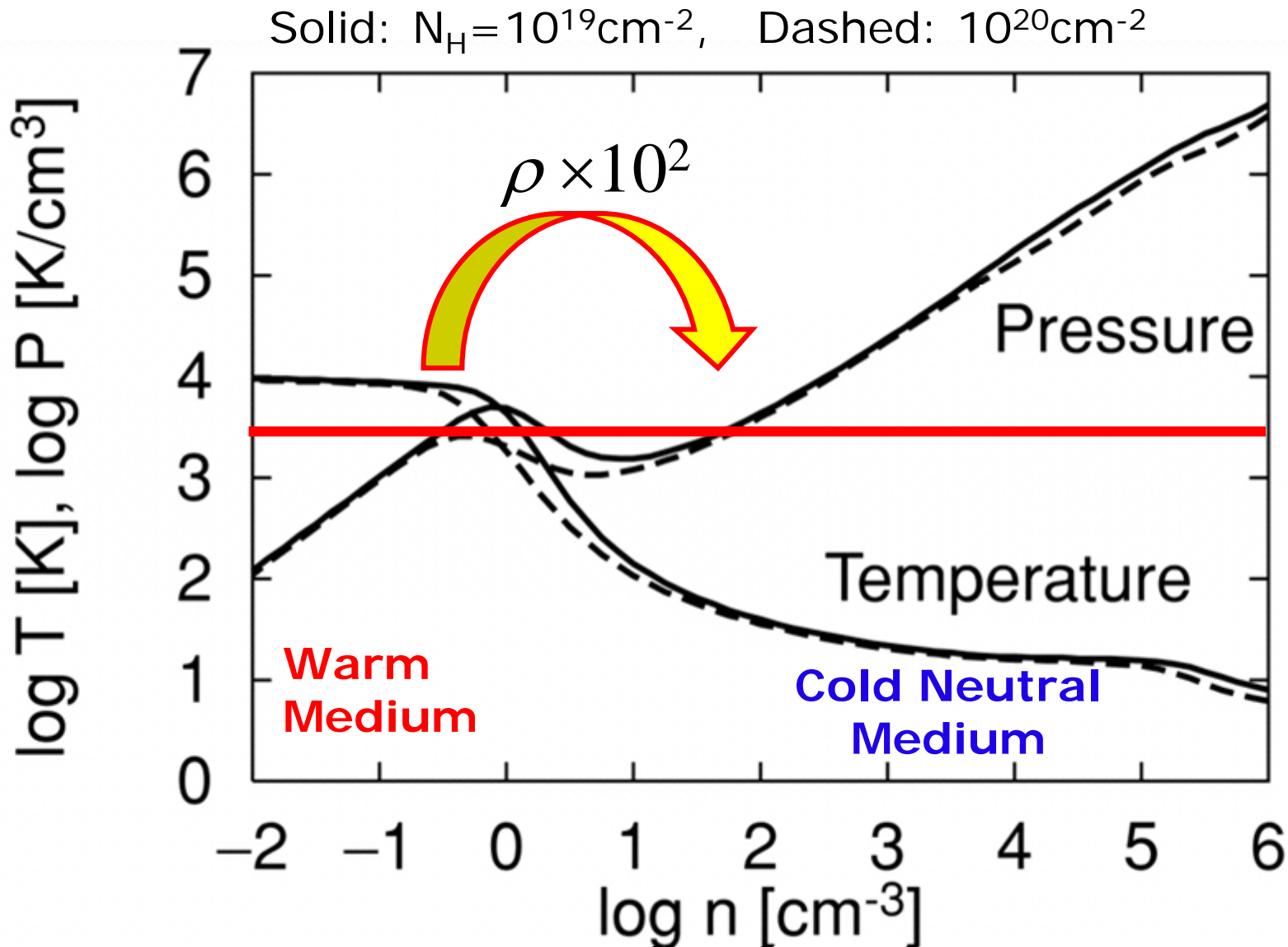
“The present study therefore reinforces our view that **both the production and collapse of dense cores occur in response to global evolution of the parent cloud.**”

“**What is the nature of this evolution?**”



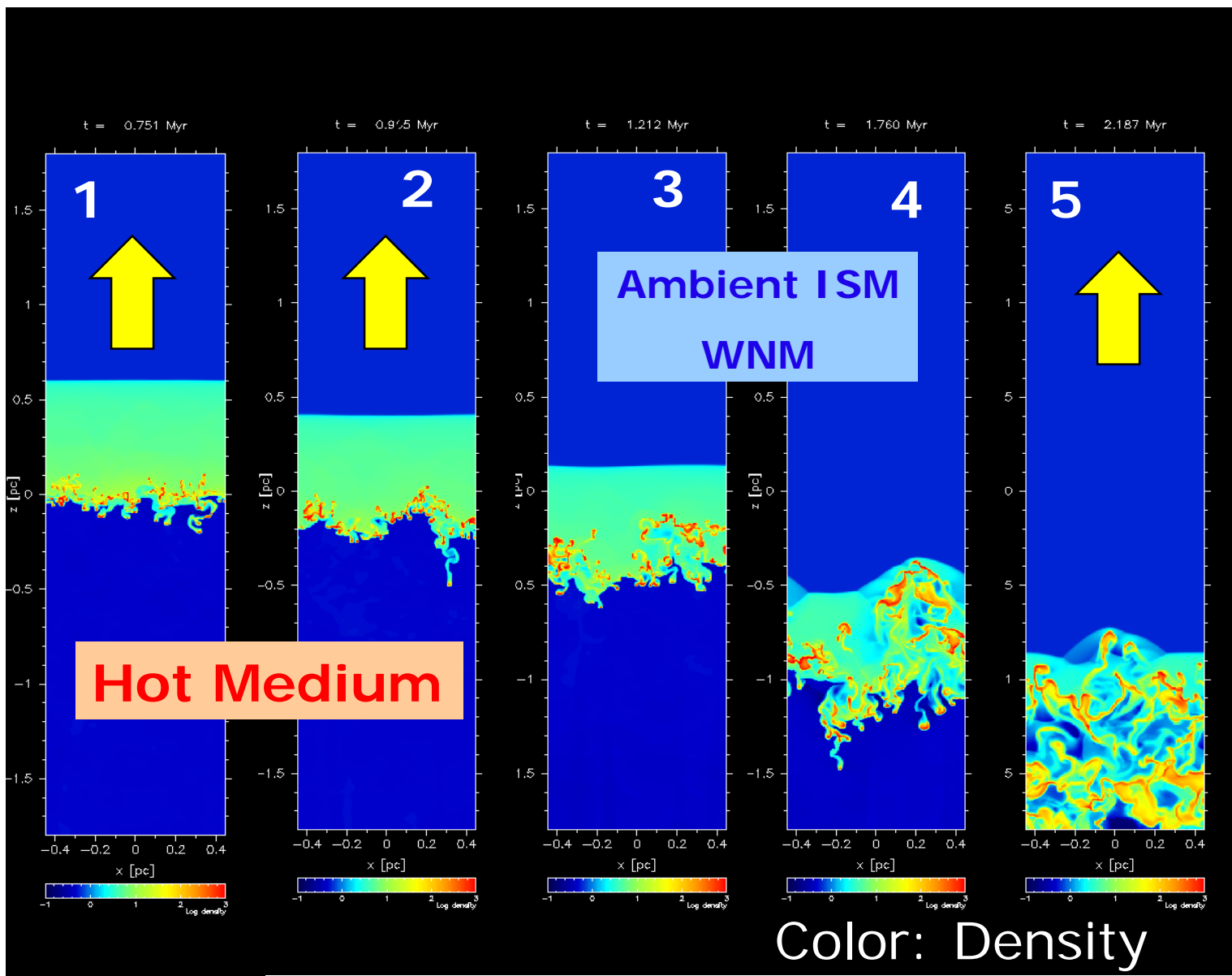
Formation of Molecular Clouds

Radiative Equilibrium for a given density



e.g., Wolfire et al. 1995, Koyama & SI 2000

Shock Propagation into WNM



Color: Density

Summary of TI-Driven Turbulence

Koyama & SI (2002): 2D/3D Calculation of Propagation of Shock Wave into WNM via Thermal Instability

→ fragmentation of cold layer into cold clumps with long-sustained supersonic velocity dispersion (\sim km/s)

1D: Shock $\Rightarrow E_{\text{th}} \Rightarrow E_{\text{rad}}$

2D&3D: Shock $\Rightarrow E_{\text{th}} \Rightarrow E_{\text{rad}} + E_{\text{kin}}$

$\delta v \sim$ a few km/s $< C_{S, \text{WNM}} = 10$ km/s

← 10^4 K due to Ly α line: Universality!

$T_{\text{CNM}} \sim 10^2$ K ← C $^+$ 158 μ m (~ 92 K)

Hennebelle & Audit (2007):

Turbulence Spectrum \sim Kolmogorov

density and velocity

density and velocity fields, $t = 26.82$ My

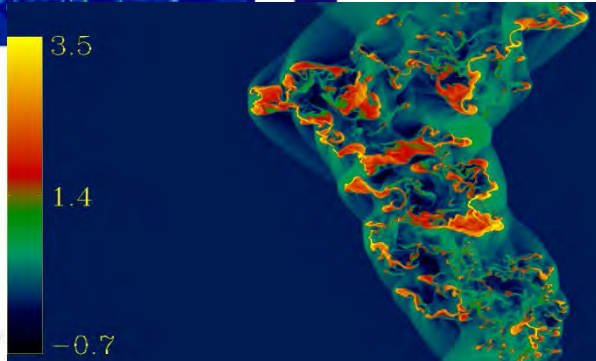
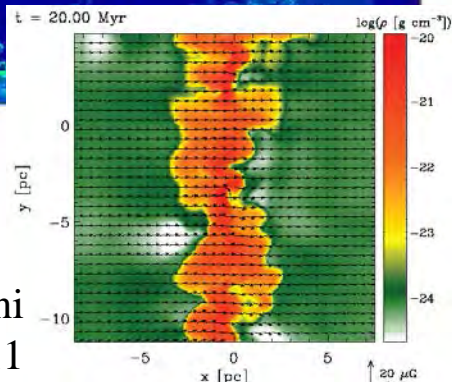
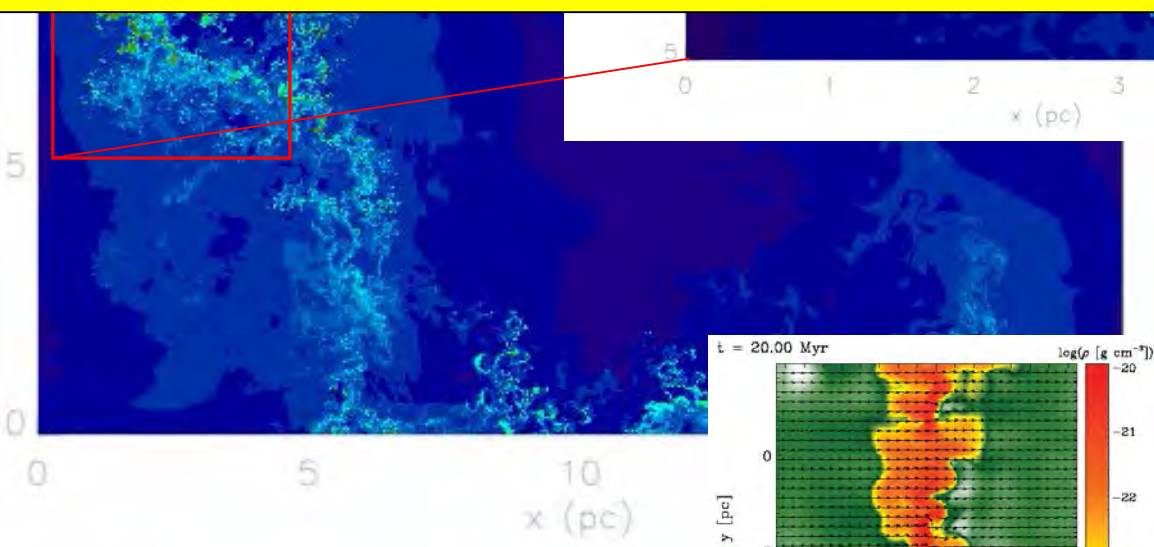
c.f.
Kritsuk &
Norman 1999

Hennebelle & Audit 07
 $10,000^2$

Magnetic Field?

20 pc

20 pc



Heitsch+ 2006
2D, 4096^2

$t = 7.6$ Myr, $\log n \text{ [cm}^{-3}\text{)}$

Vazquez-Semadeni
et al. 2011

Cloud Formation in Magnetized Medium

Can compression of **magnetized
WNM** create **molecular clouds**?

Ref. Inoue & SI (2008) ApJ **687**, 303

Inoue & SI (2009) ApJ **704**, 161

Inoue & SI (2012) ApJ **759**, 35

SI, Inoue, Iwasaki, Hosokawa 2015 A&A **580**, A49

Two-Fluid Resistive MHD + Cooling/Heating +
Thermal Conduction + Chemistry (H₂, CO,...)

Ambipolar
diffusion included

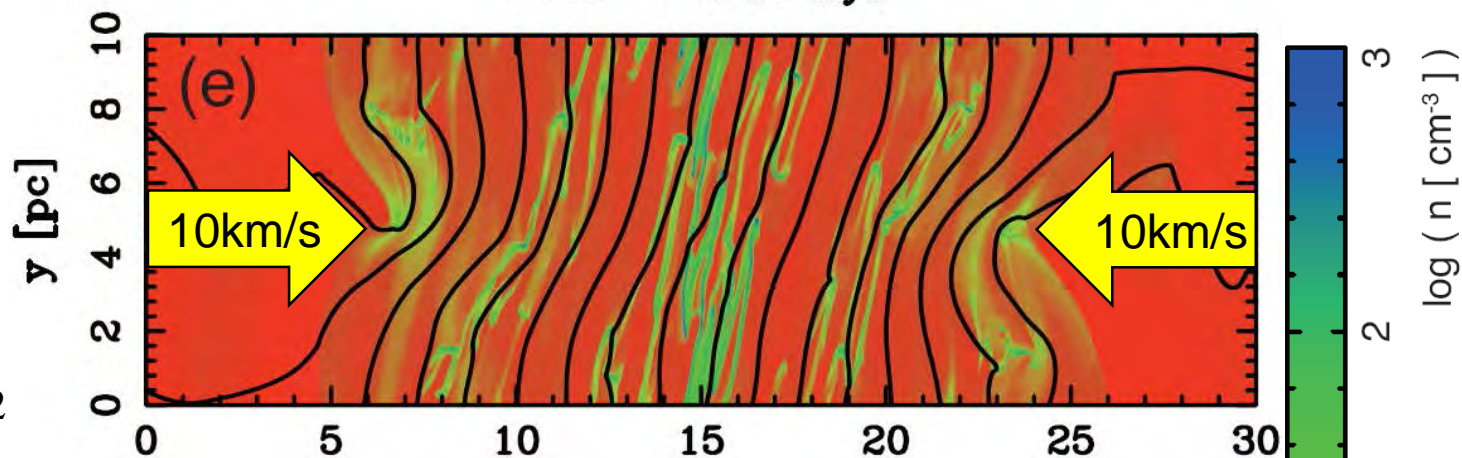
Colliding WNM with $B_0=3\mu\text{G}$

Time = 6.40 Myr

$v=10\text{km/s}$

(a) 15deg

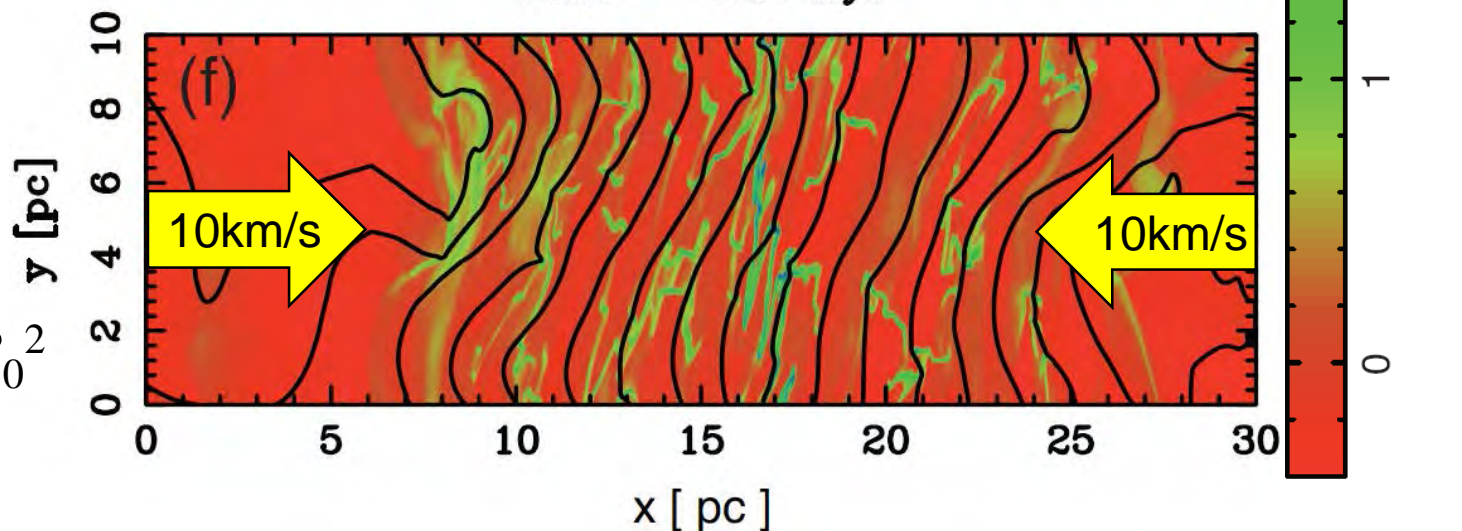
$$\langle \delta B^2 \rangle_{\text{init}} = B_0^2$$



Time = 6.40 Myr

(a) 40 deg

$$\langle \delta B^2 \rangle_{\text{init}} = 4B_0^2$$



2-Fluid MHD Simulation (AD included)

Inoue & SI (2008) ApJ 687, 303

Compression of Magnetized WNM

Can direct compression of magnetized WNM create molecular clouds? → **Not at once!**

Inoue & SI (2008) ApJ 687, 303

Inoue & SI (2009) ApJ 704, 161

Essentially same result by

Heitsch+2009; Körtgen & Banerjee 2015;

Valdivia+2016; (Iwasaki+2017 in prep)

We need **multiple episodes** of compression.

→ Timescale of Molecular Cloud Formation ~ **a few 10^7 yr**

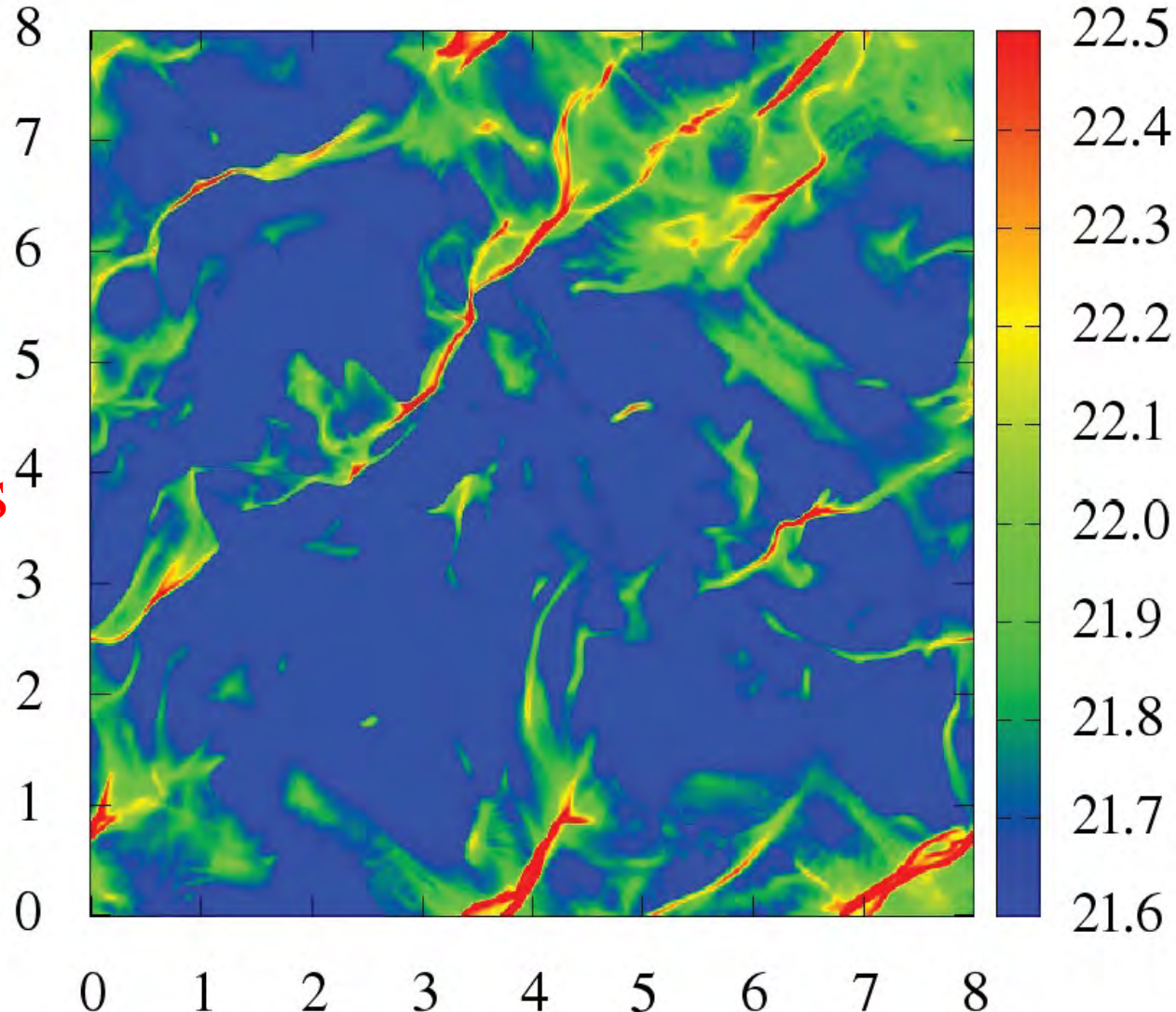
Next Question: What happens for further compressions?

Further Compress. of Mole. Clouds

Further
Compression of
Molecular Cloud

→ Magnetized
Massive Filaments
& **Striations**

c.f. obs. by *Soler,*
Pillai, Arzoumanian,
Fissel, etc.



Self-Gravity Included, *SI, Inoue, Iwasaki, & Hosokawa 2015*

Highlight of Herschel Result (André+2010)

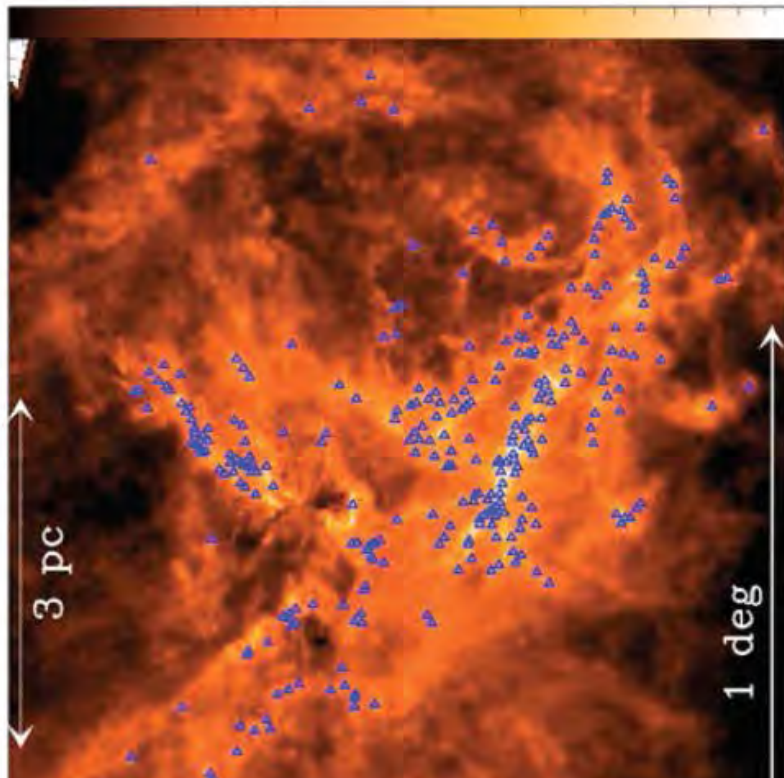
Prestellar cores are preferentially found within the densest filaments

Δ : Prestellar cores - 90% found at $N_{\text{H}_2} > 7 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2} \Leftrightarrow A_{\text{v}}(\text{back}) > 8$

Aquila N_{H_2} map (cm^{-2})

10^{22}

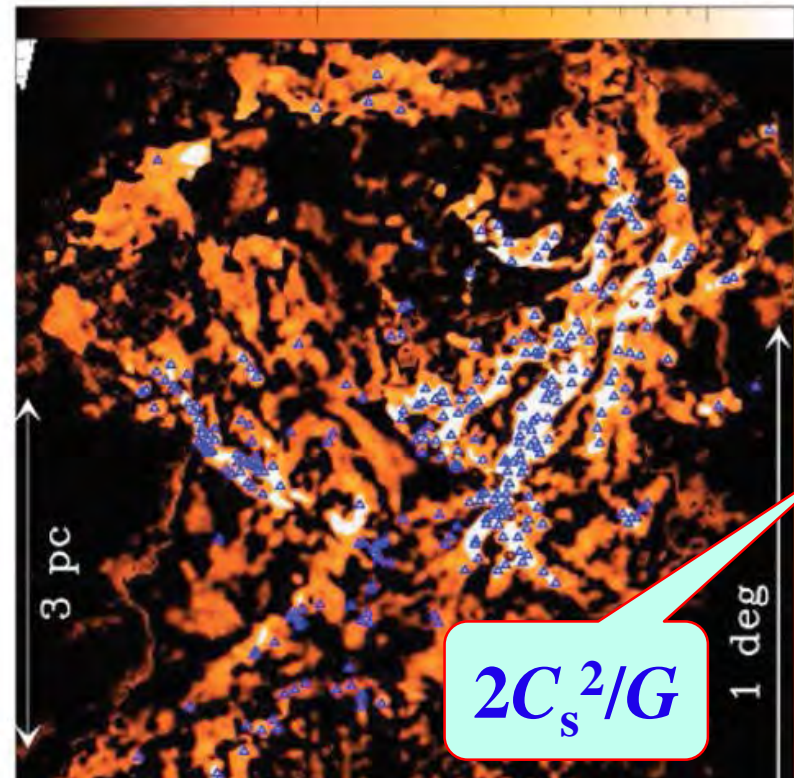
10^{23}



Aquila curvlet N_{H_2} map (cm^{-2})

10^{21}

10^{22}



Unstable

$M_{\text{line}}/M_{\text{line,crit}}$

1/3

Stable

Self-Gravity Essential in Filaments

Mass Function of Cores in a Filament

Inutsuka 2001, ApJ 559, L149

Line-Mass Fluctuation of Filaments

Initial Power Spectrum

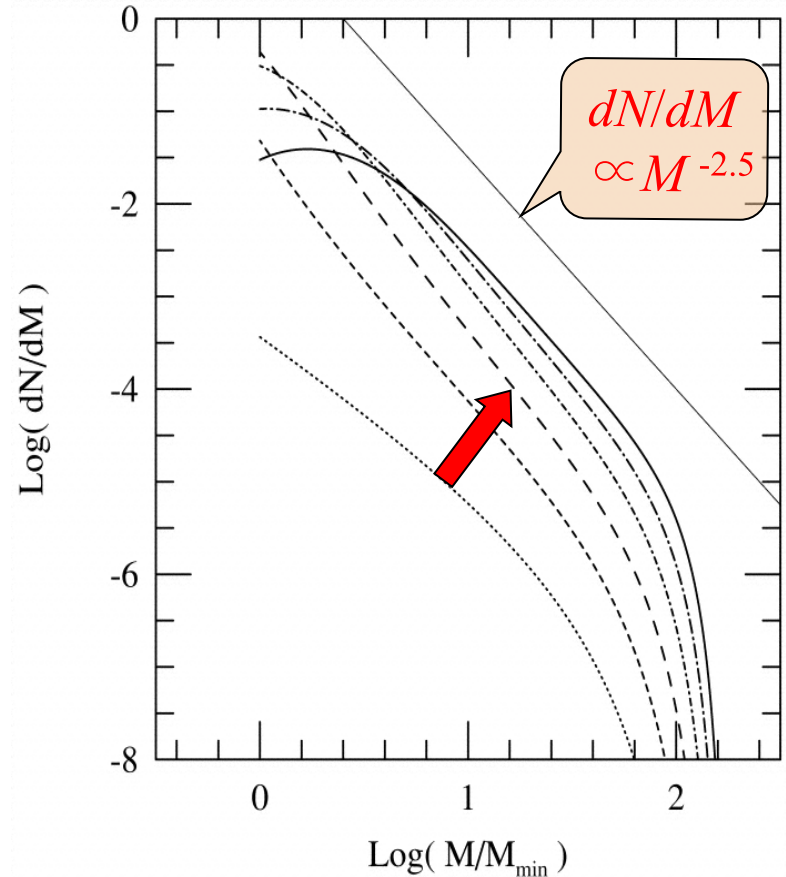
$$P(k) \propto k^{-1.5}$$

Mass Function

$$dN/dM \propto M^{-2.5}$$

Observation of Both Perturbation
Spectrum and Mass Function

→ Clear and Direct Test!

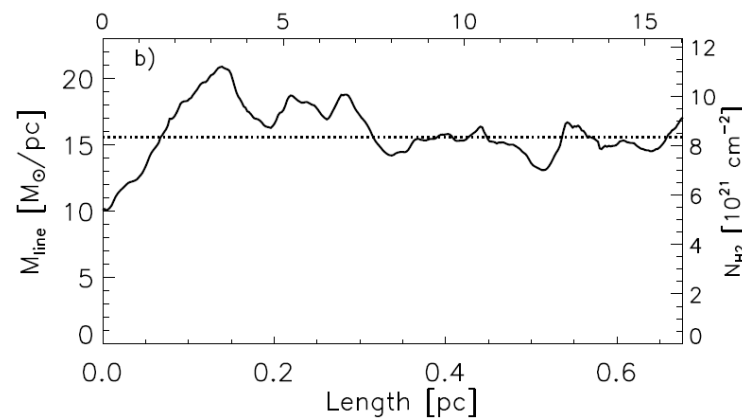
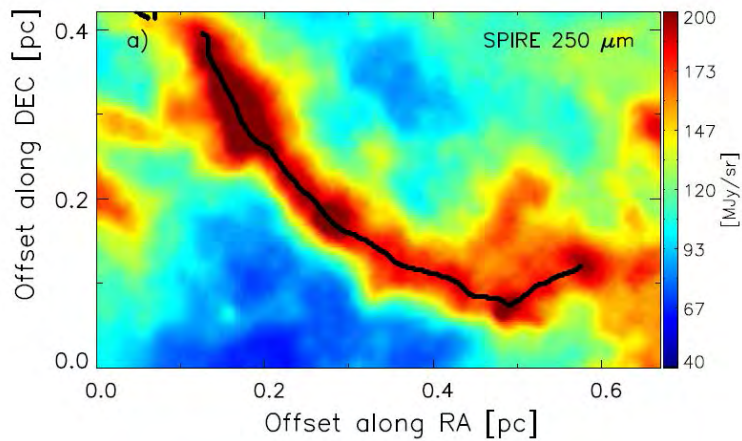


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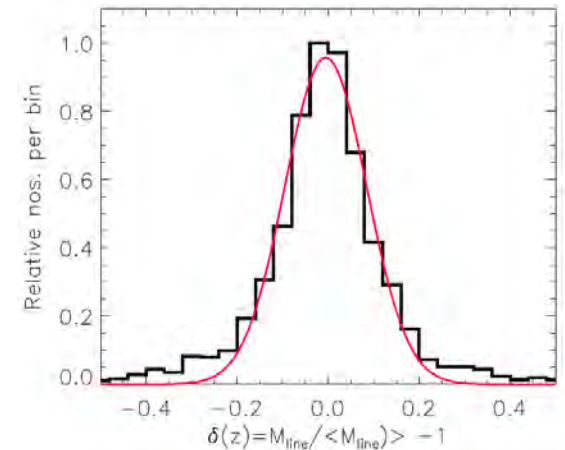
$t/t_{ff} = 0$ (dotted) , 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 (solid)

“A possible link between the power spectrum of interstellar filaments and the origin of the prestellar core mass function”

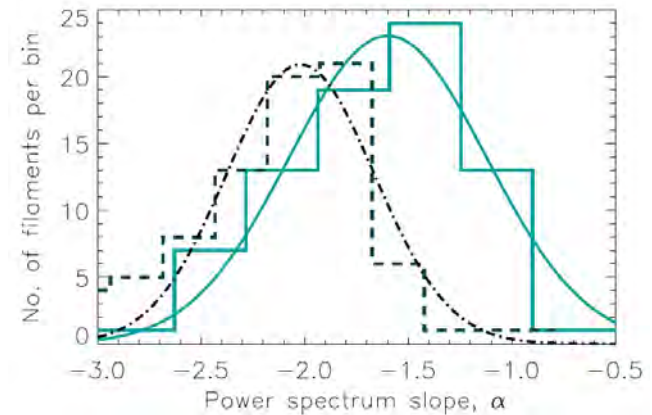
Roy, André, Arzoumanian et al. (2015) A&A 584, A111



$\delta \dots$
Gaussian



$P(k)$
 $\propto k^n$
 $n = -1.6 \pm 0.3$



Supporting Inutsuka 2001; Li, Hennebelle & Chabrier 2017

Filament Paradigm

Completely Successful?!



Other Modes of Star
Formation?

Cloud Collision (*Fukui, Tan, Dobbs,...*)

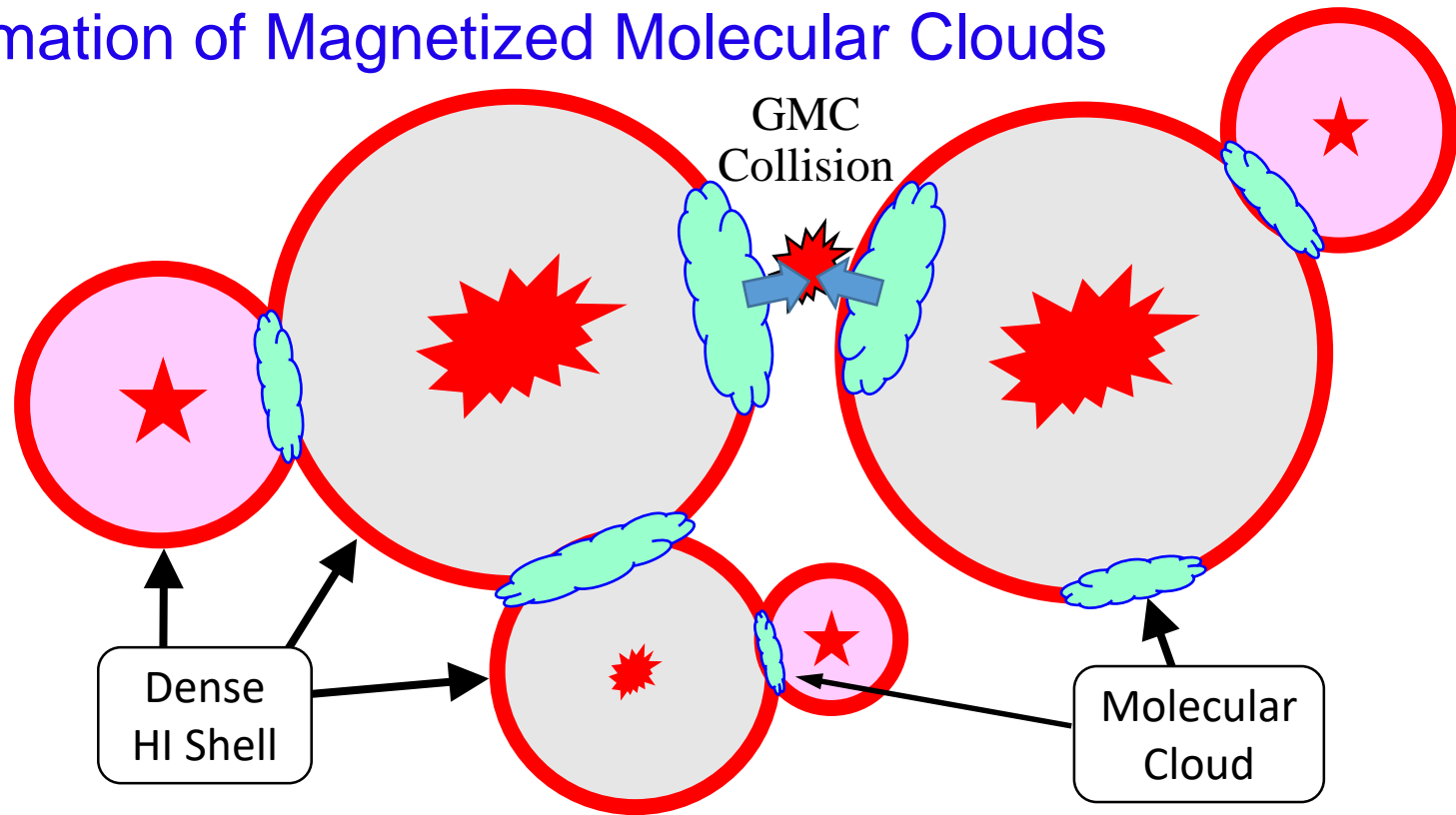
Collect & Collapse (*Elmegreen-Lada, Whitworth,
Palouš, Deharveng, Zavagno,...*)

Toward Global Picture of Cloud Formation

$$t_{\text{form}} = \text{a few } 10^7 \text{ yr}$$

Network of Expanding Shells

Multiple Episodes of Compression →
Formation of Magnetized Molecular Clouds

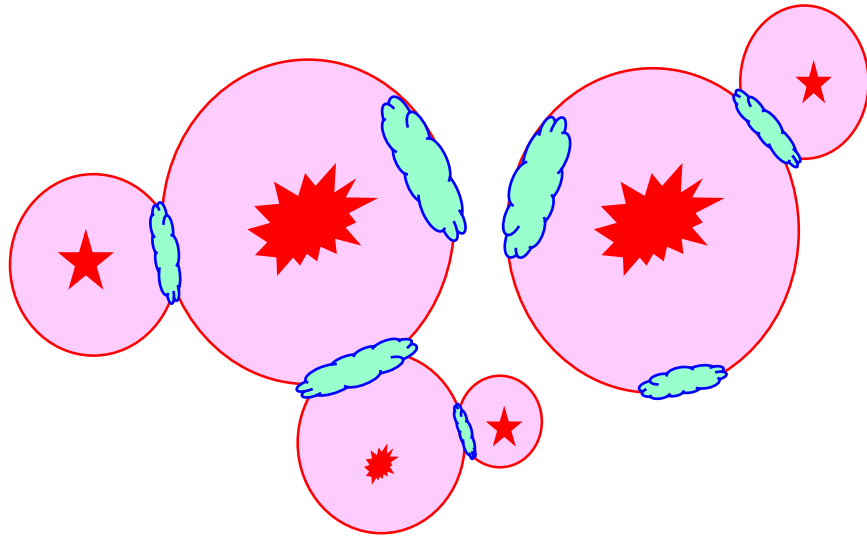


Long (>10Myr) Exposure Picture!

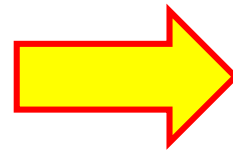
Each bubble disappears quickly (<Myr).

Velocity Dispersion of Clouds

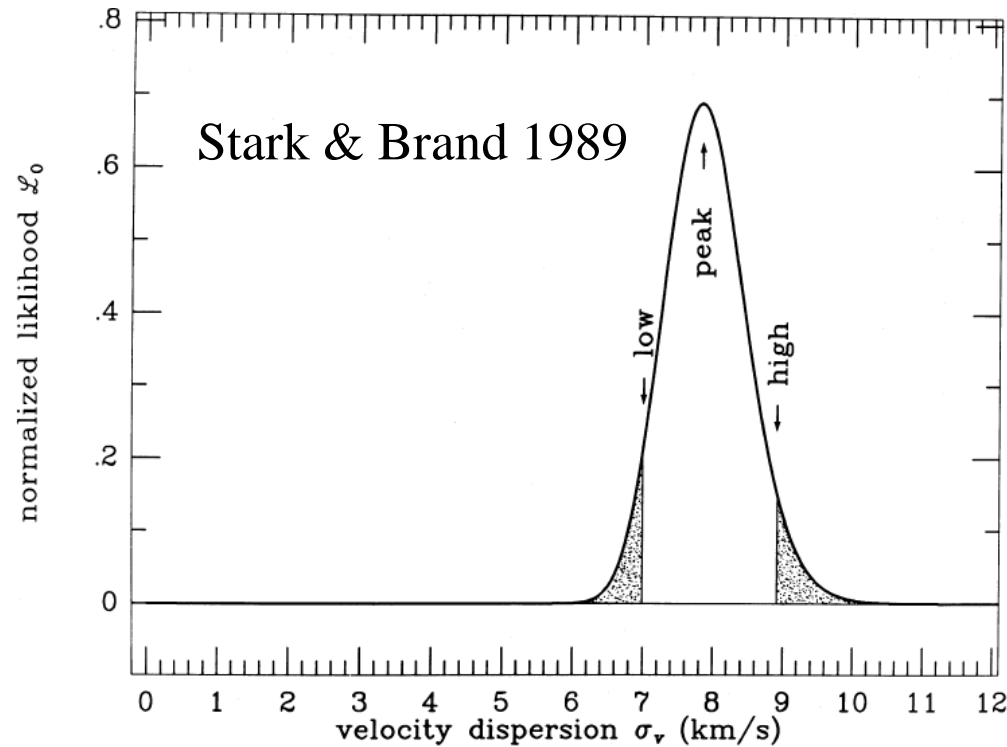
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Shell Expansion
Velocities ~ 10^1 km/s



Cloud-to-Cloud
Velocity Dispersion



Network of Expanding Shells

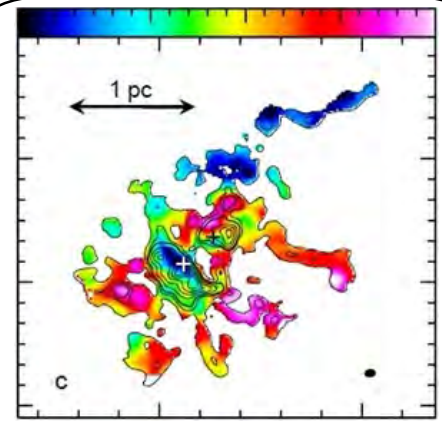
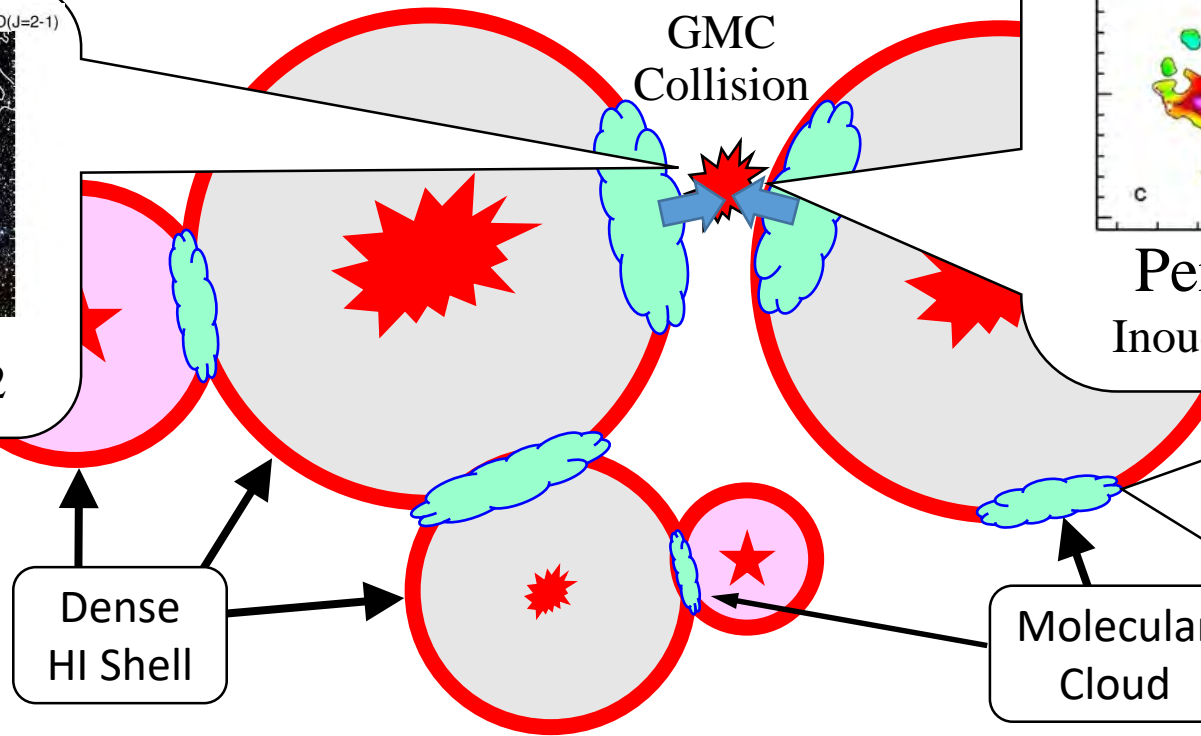
Multiple Episodes of Compression →
Formation of Magnetized Molecular Clouds

(b) Color J,H,K image , Contour CO(J=2-1)

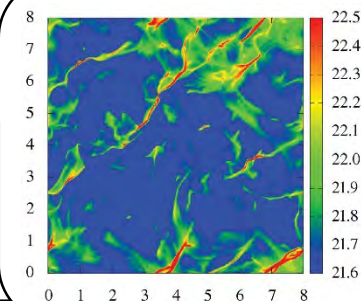


Fukui+2012

GMC
Collision



Peretto+2013
Inoue & Fukui 2013



Each Bubble Visible Only for Short Time (~1Myr)!

δv of Clouds ~ Cloud-Cloud Col. Velocity ~ **10km/s**

Star Formation Efficiency in Dense Gas

Herschel Observation (e.g., Andre+2014, Könyves+2015)

$$M_{\text{core}} / M_{\text{filament}} \lesssim 15\%$$

Star Formation Efficiency in Dense Core: ϵ_{core}

$$\epsilon_{\text{core}} \sim 33\% \quad (\text{ex. Machida+})$$

Star Formation Efficiency in Dense Gas: $\epsilon_{\text{dense gas}}$

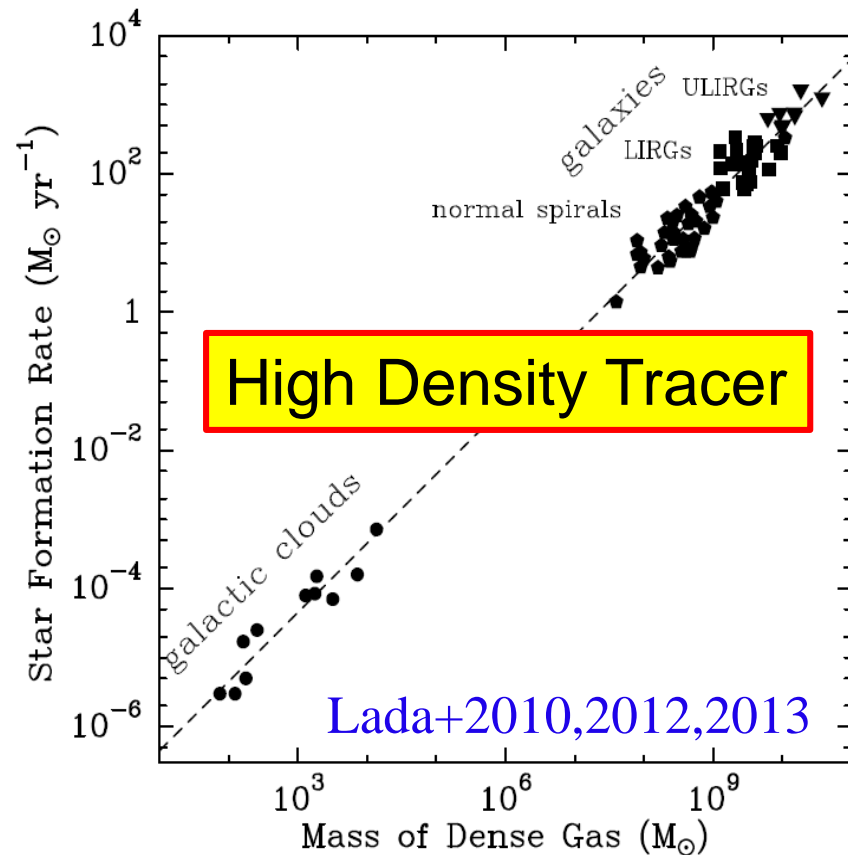
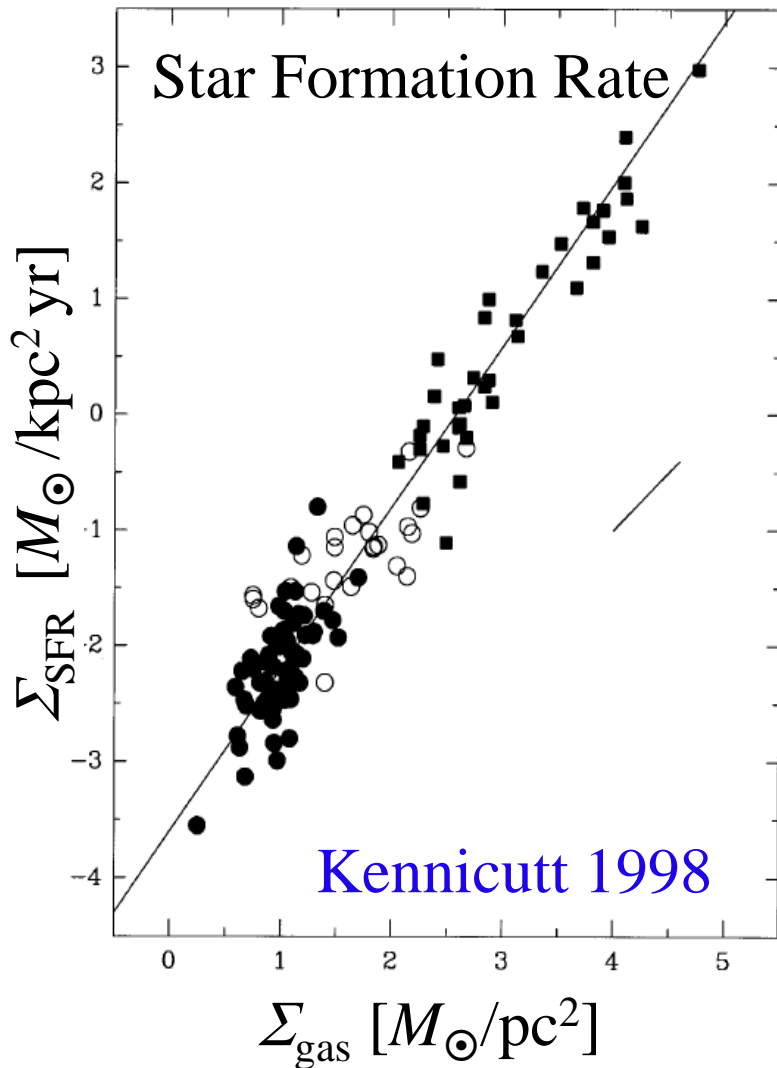
$$\rightarrow \epsilon_{\text{dense gas}} = M_{\text{core}} / M_{\text{filament}} \times \epsilon_{\text{core}} \sim 5\%$$

Consumption Timescale of Dense Gas: $t_{\text{dense gas}}$

$$t_{\text{dense gas}}^{-1} = (10^6 \text{ yr})^{-1} \times \epsilon_{\text{dense gas}} = (20 \text{ Myr})^{-1}$$

$$\rightarrow t_{\text{dense gas}} \sim 20 \text{ Myr} \quad (\text{eg. Lada+2010, Andre+2014})$$

Schmidt-Kennicutt Law of SF



- Column Density: $\Sigma_{\text{gas}} [M_{\odot} / \text{pc}^2]$
- SF Rate: $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}} [M_{\odot} / \text{kpc}^2 \text{ yr}]$
- Timescale: $M / (\text{SFR}) \sim 20 \text{ Myr}$

Timescale: $\Sigma_{\text{gas}} / \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} \sim \text{Gyr}$

See also Gao & Solomon 2004; Wu+2005; Bigiel et al. 2008,2010,2011, Shimajiri+2017

How Many Generations of Filaments?

Star Formation Efficiency in Dense Gas: $\epsilon_{\text{dense gas}}$

$$\rightarrow \epsilon_{\text{dense gas}} = M_{\text{core}} / M_{\text{filament}} \times \epsilon_{\text{core}} \sim 5\%$$

Typical Mass of Star Forming Filaments: $L \sim 3\text{pc}$, $M_{\text{Line}} \sim 2C_s^2/G$

$$M = M_{\text{Line}} \times L \sim 60M_{\text{sun}}$$

Total Mass of Stars Created in a Filament:

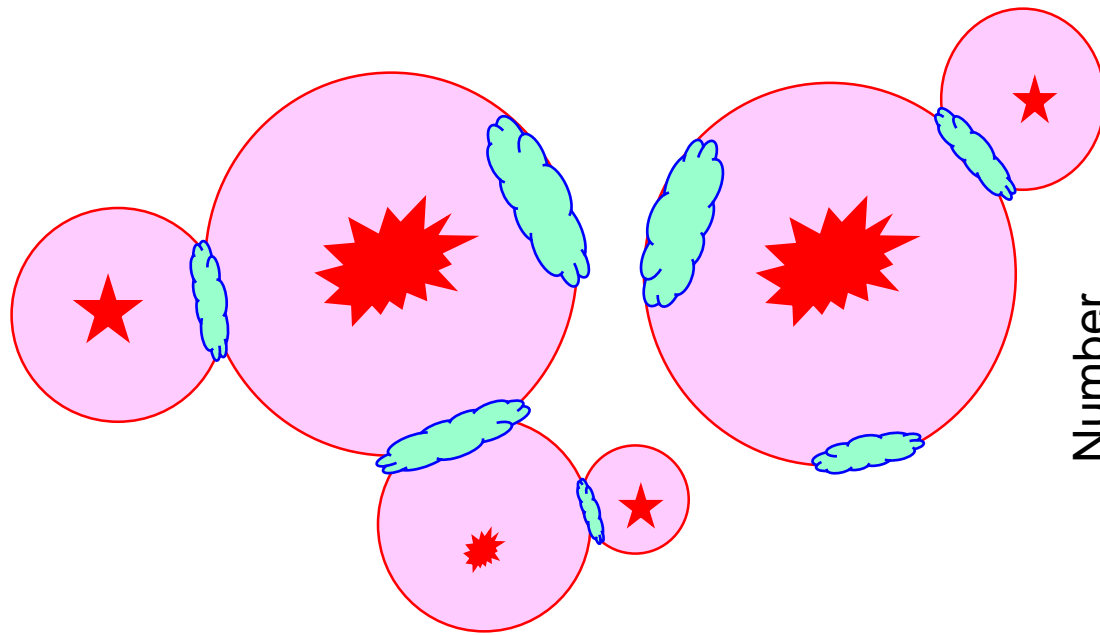
$$\rightarrow 60M_{\text{sun}} \times \epsilon_{\text{dense gas}} \sim 3M_{\text{sun}}$$

\rightarrow Total Mass of YSOs: $M_{*_{\text{total}}}$

$$\# \text{ of Filaments to Form Stars} = M_{*_{\text{total}}} / 3M_{\text{sun}}$$

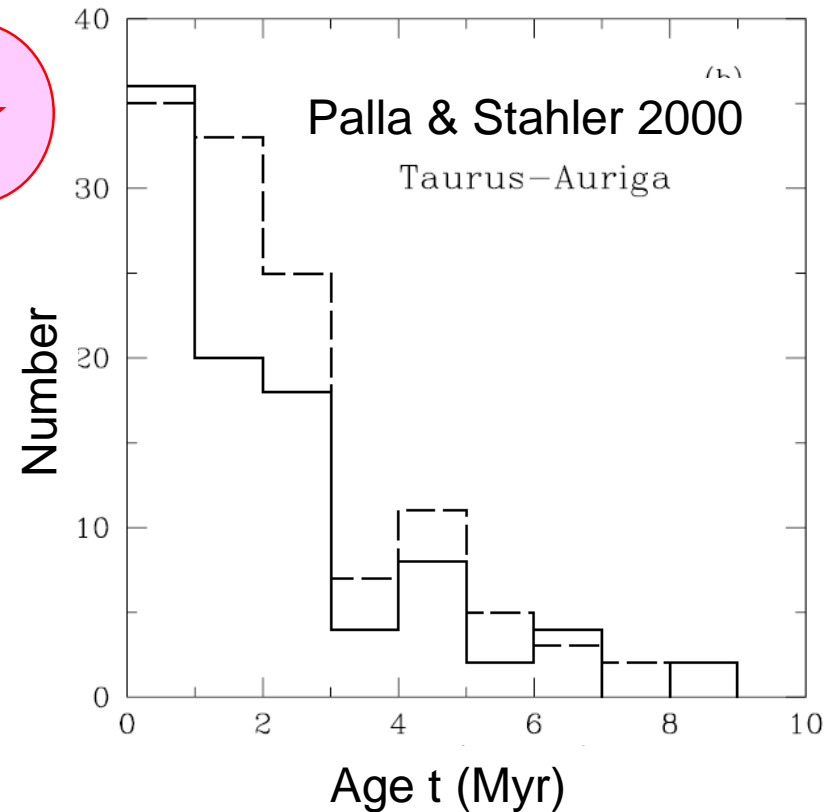
\rightarrow Multiple Generations of Filaments Needed!

Natural Acceleration of Star Formation



Molecular Cloud Growth

- ➔ Mass Increase in Supercritical Filaments
- ➔ Accelerated SF



Also in *Lupus*, *Chamaeleon*,
 ρ Ophiuchi, *Upper Scorpius*,
IC 348, and *NGC 2264*

See also [Poster 52](#) by Kunitomo

My Last Exchange with Francesco Palla

Dear Francesco and Steven,

18 May 2015

I would like to introduce our recent paper on a scenario of Galactic star formation. This is based on our time-consuming (~15yrs) work on the formation of molecular clouds and their destruction, and accepted for Astronomy & Astrophysics.

I think we found a clue in understanding "Accelerating Star Formation" you found in the year I started this line of work. I hope you would have some interest. Thank you.

With my best regards, Shu-ichiro Inutsuka



Dear Shu-ichiro,

19 May 2015

good to hear from you and many thanks for your paper. I will read it with great pleasure!

It also comes at the right time since in my course I'm now teaching the formation and evolution of molecular clouds. So, in addition to my personal interest, it will provide me with important material for the students.

27 Jan 2016, RIP

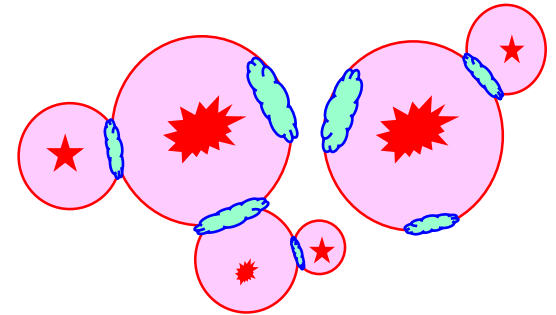
All the best, Francesco

Summary

- Fragmentation of Filaments → Core Mass Function
- Bubble-Dominated Formation of Molecular Clouds

→ Unified Picture of Star Formation

- $\delta v_{\text{cloud-cloud}} \sim 10^1 \text{ km/s}$
- Accelerated Star Formation
- Schmidt-Kennicutt Law
- Star Formation Efficiency: $\epsilon_{\text{SF}} \sim 10^{-2}$
- Slope of Cloud Mass Func = $1 + T_{\text{form}}/T_{\text{dis}} \sim 1.7$



SI, Inoue, Iwasaki, & Hosokawa 2015, A&A 580, A49
Kobayashi, SI, Kobayashi, & Hasegawa 2017, ApJ 836, 175