



First-year results of SALSA: Survey of extragALactic magnetiSm with SOFIA

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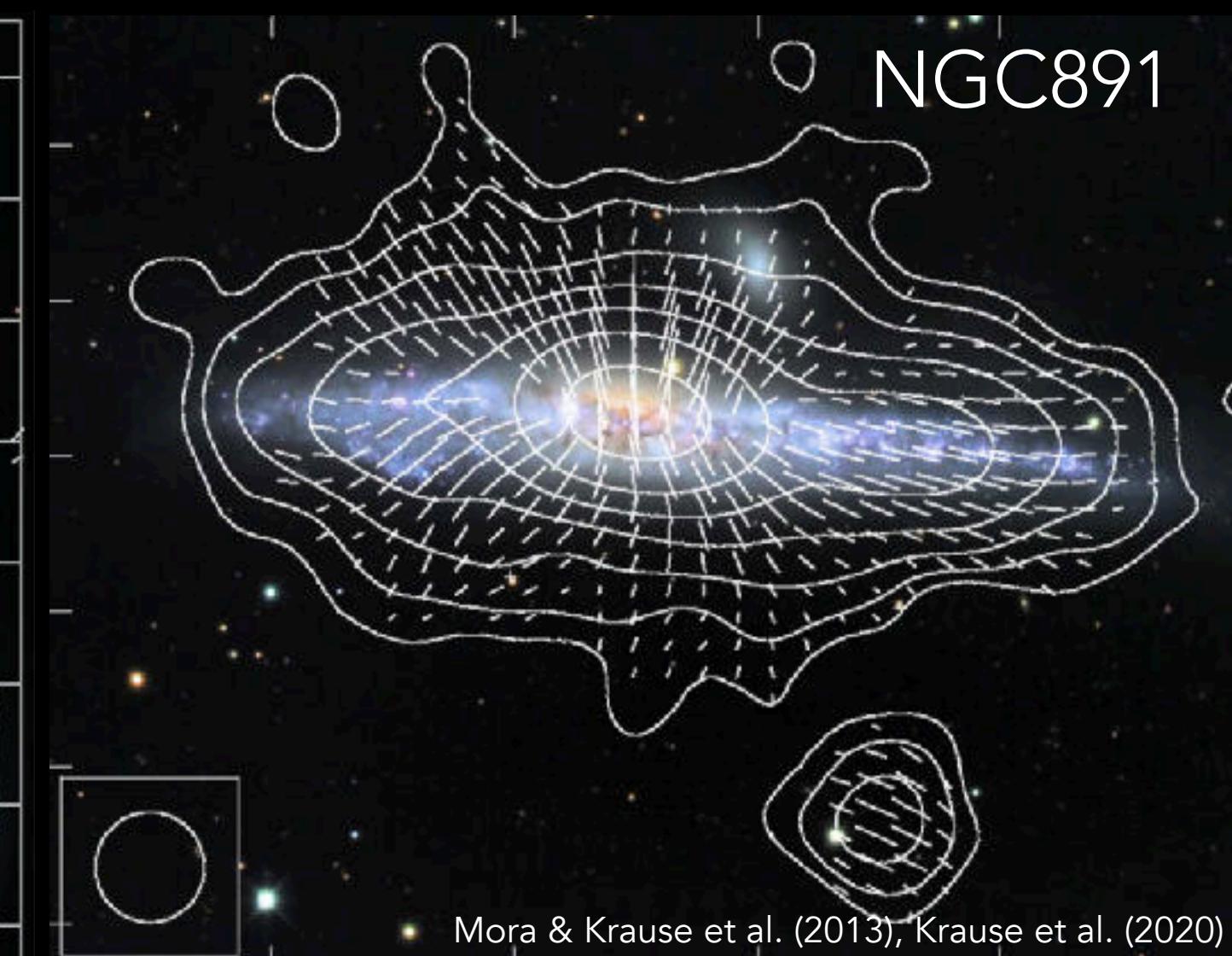
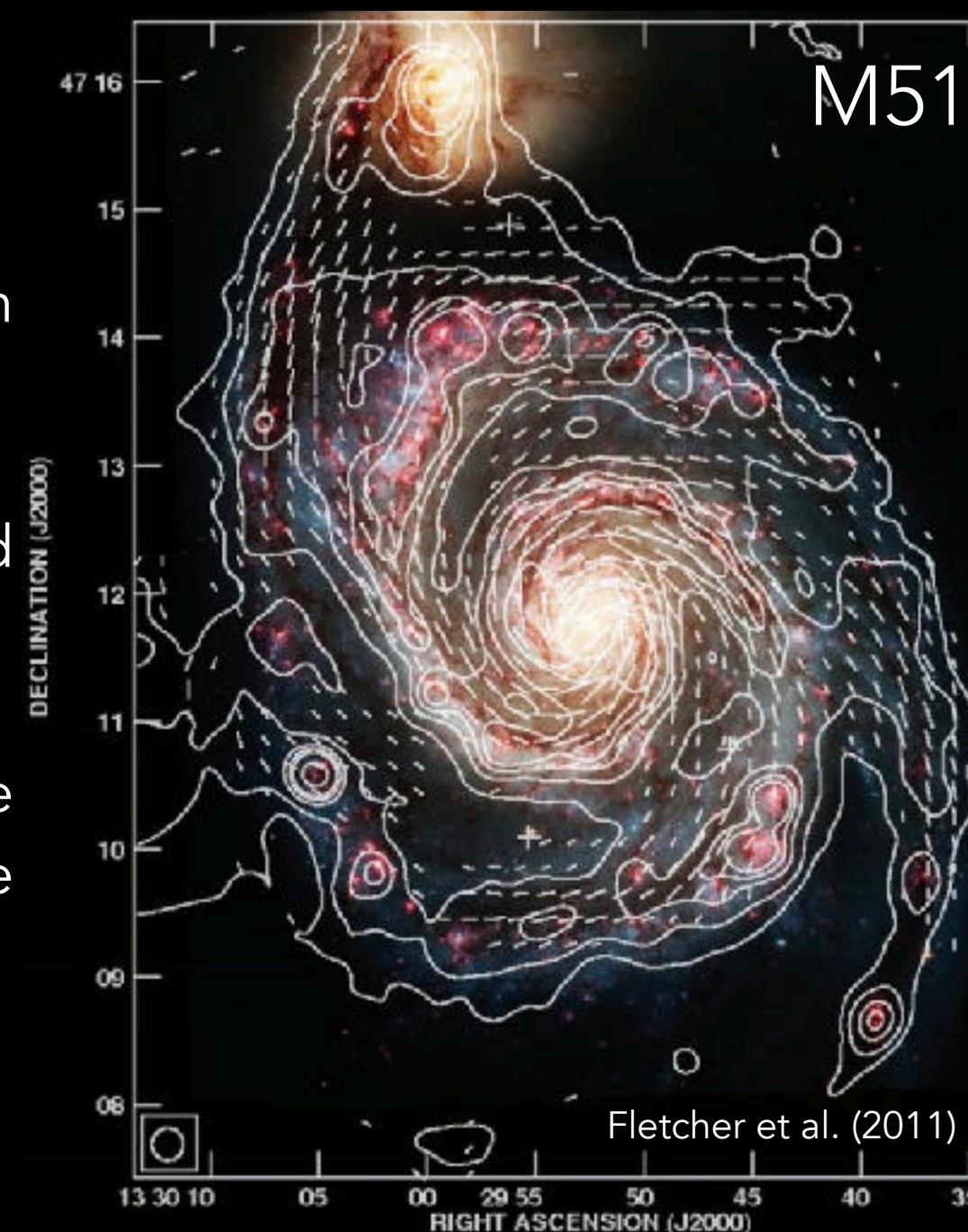
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OUR CURRENT KNOWLEDGE BASED ON RADIO POLARIMETRIC OBSERVATIONS

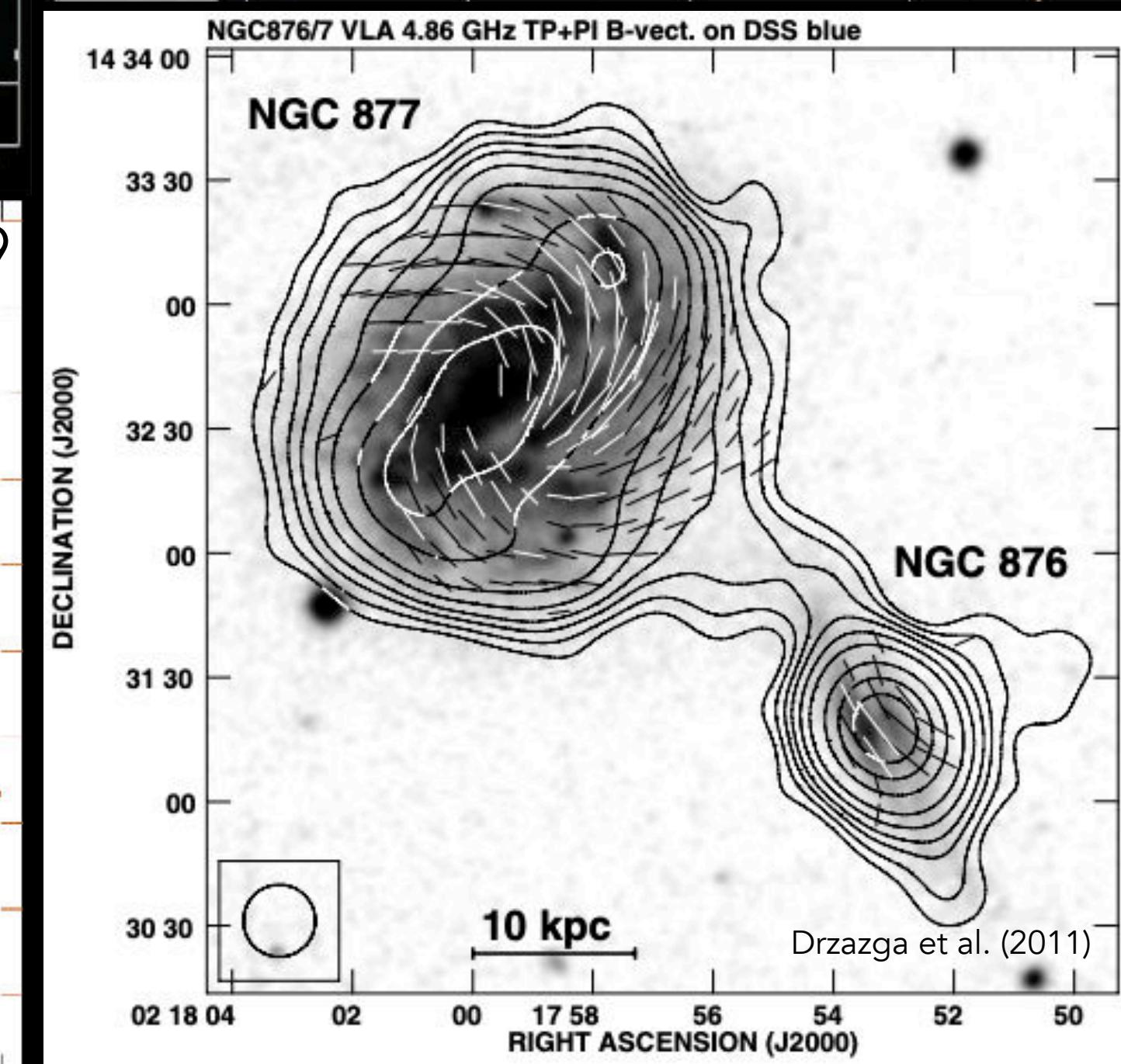
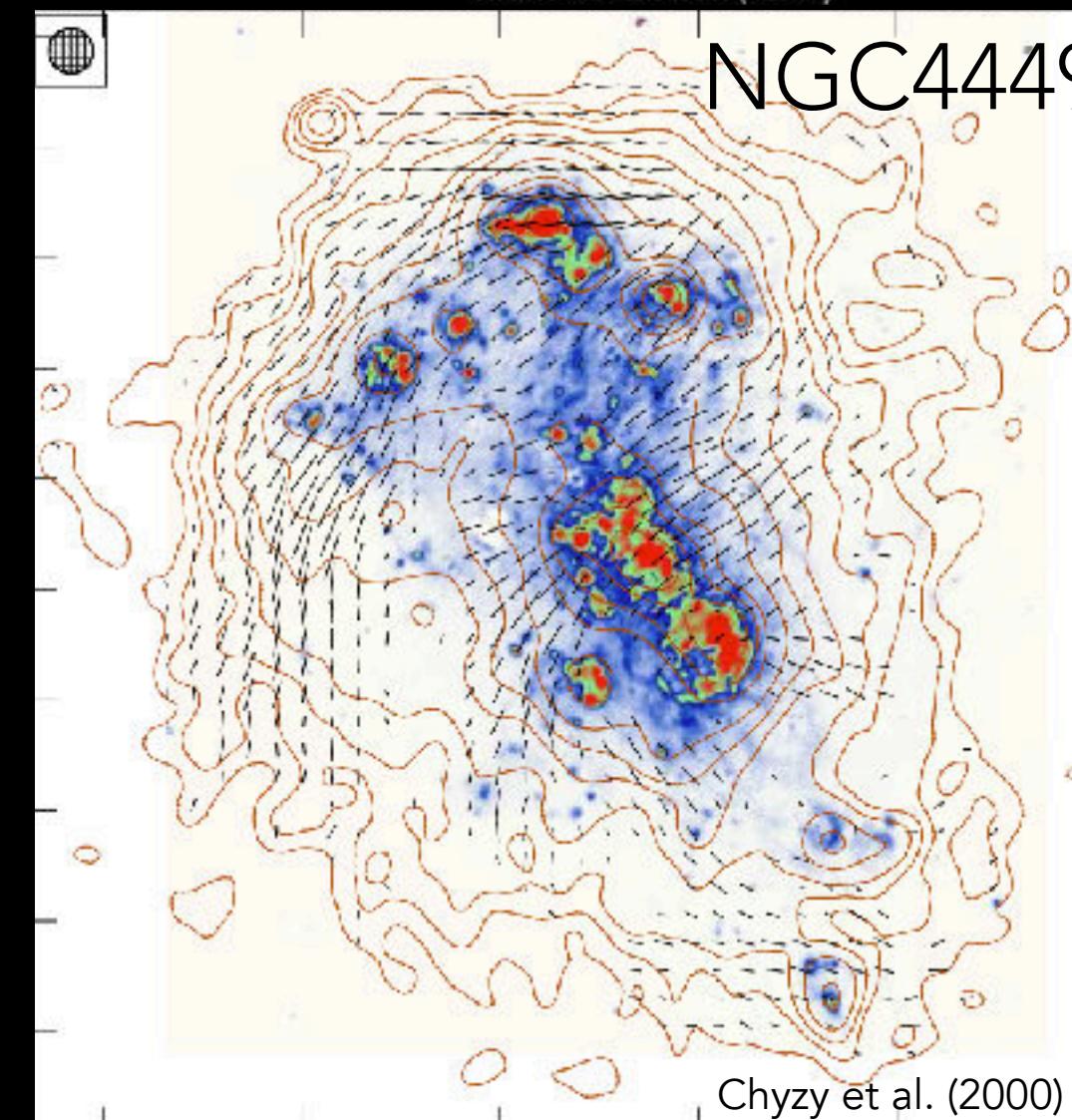
Spiral galaxies

- Highly polarized in the interarm regions of the galaxy.
- Contribution of ordered and turbulent fields along the spiral arms.
- Late-type galaxies had enough time for the galactic dynamo to take place and order the large-scale B-fields.



Irregular galaxies

- Slowly rotating galaxies may reveal strong total magnetic fields.
- Partially ordered/regular field, spiral pattern, and radial pattern.
- $\alpha - \Omega$ may be operating.



Interacting galaxies

- B-fields become aligned along the compression front or perpendicular to the velocity gradients.
- Gas flows, due to merger, make turbulent fields highly anisotropic.
- Average B-field strength is stronger than normal galaxies, but the mean P is low, implying tangled B-fields.

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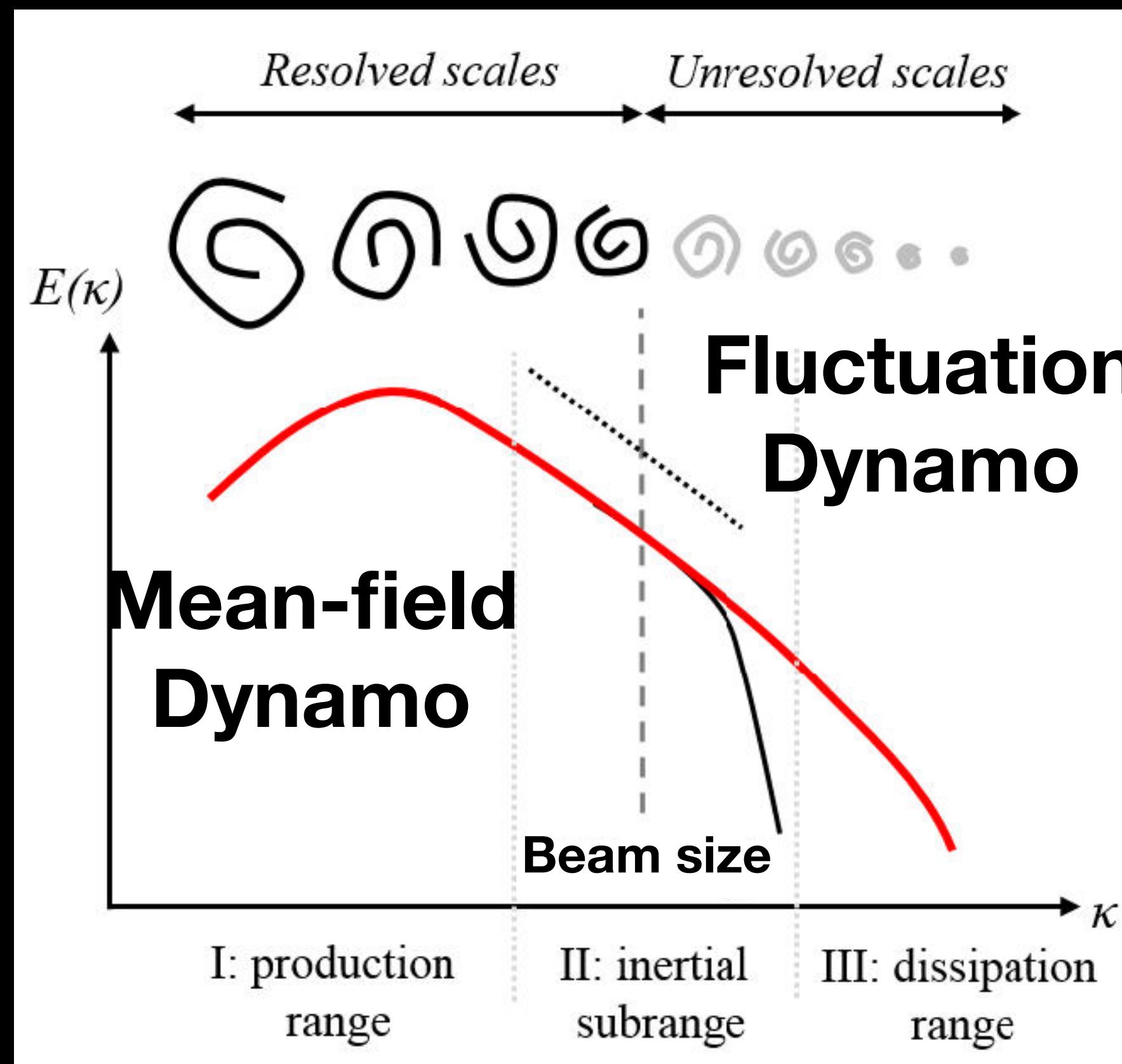
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Stellar and gas distribution as a function of cosmic time

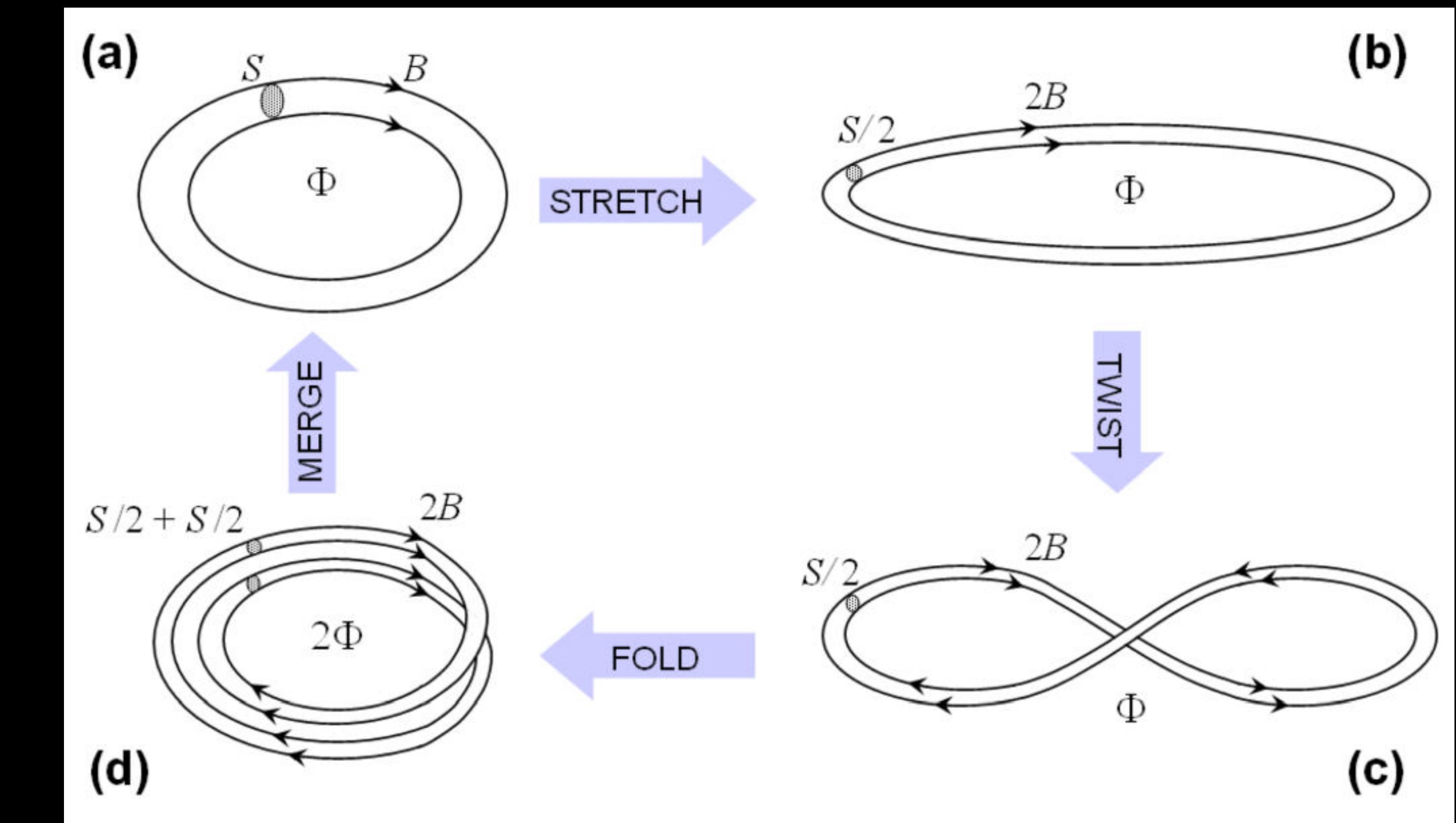
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GALACTIC FLUCTUATION DYNAMOS

Turbulent cascade
(Dissipation)



B-field amplification
(electromagnetic induction)

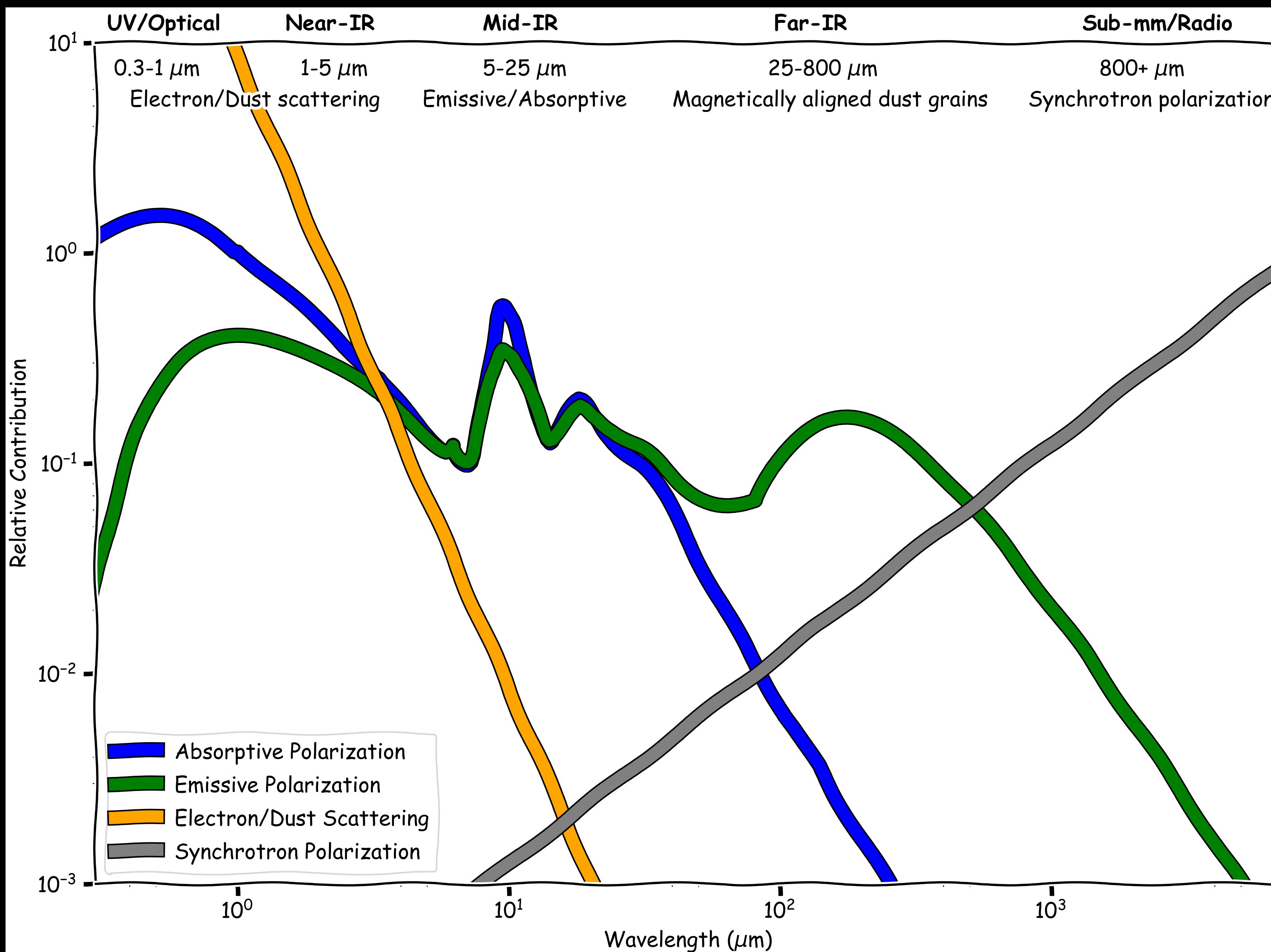


Turbulent coherent length of ~50-100 pc driven by SN explosions in spiral galaxies
(e.g. Haverkorn 2008, Brandenburg & Subramanian 2005)

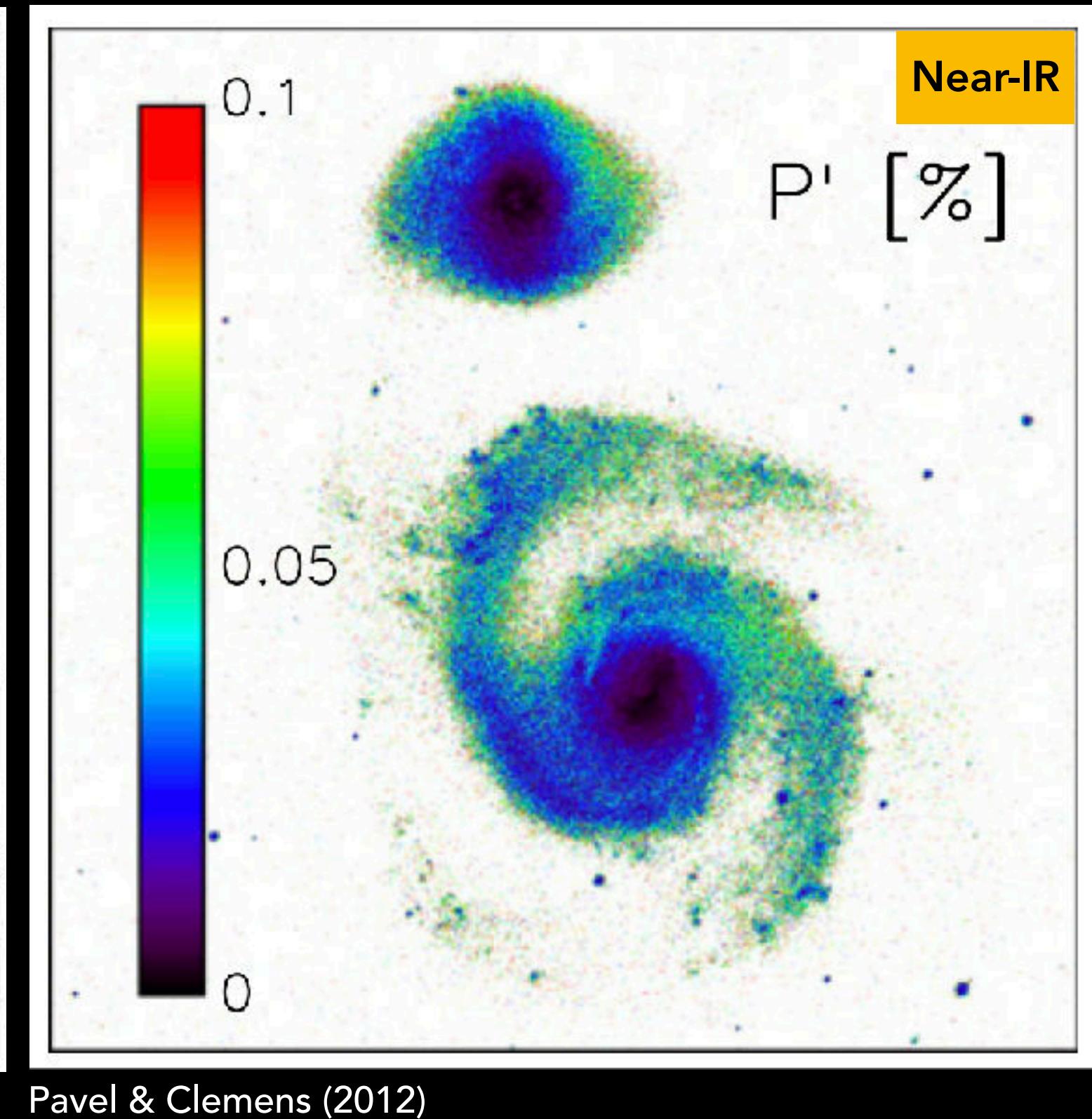
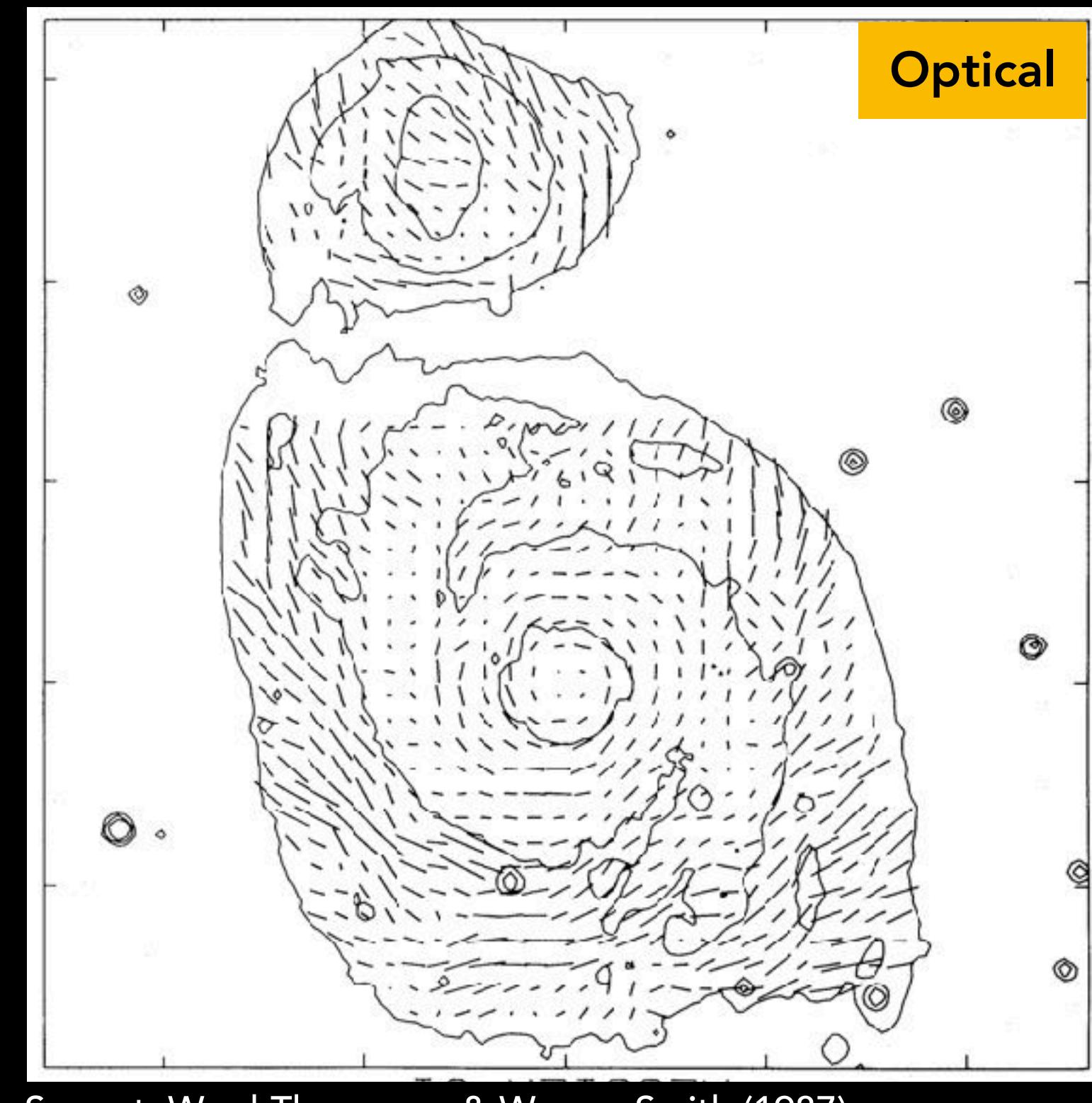
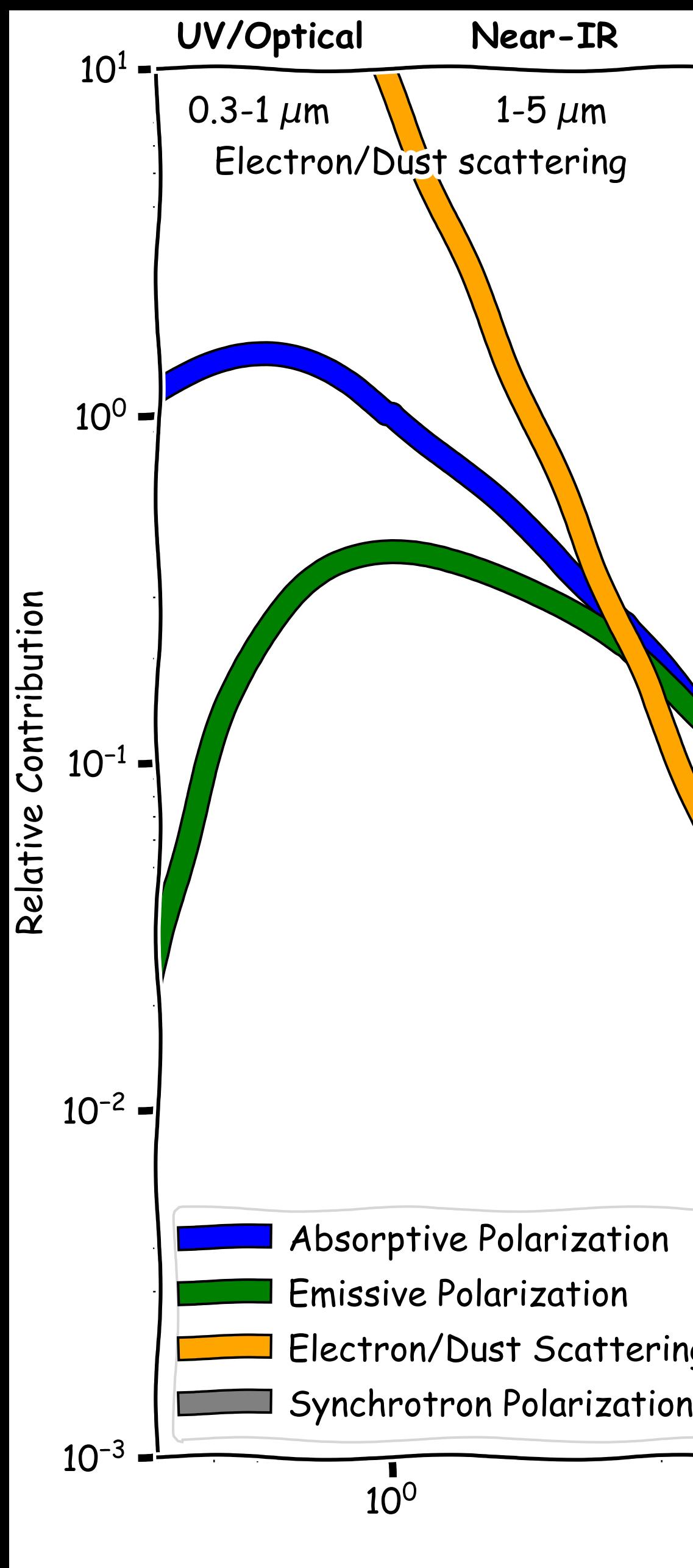
OPEN QUESTIONS

- How did the evolution of galaxies in mergers affect magnetic fields?
- Is the circumgalactic medium magnetized?
- How has the magnetic field been amplified by interaction/SF in galaxies?
- How can the fluctuation dynamo be traced?

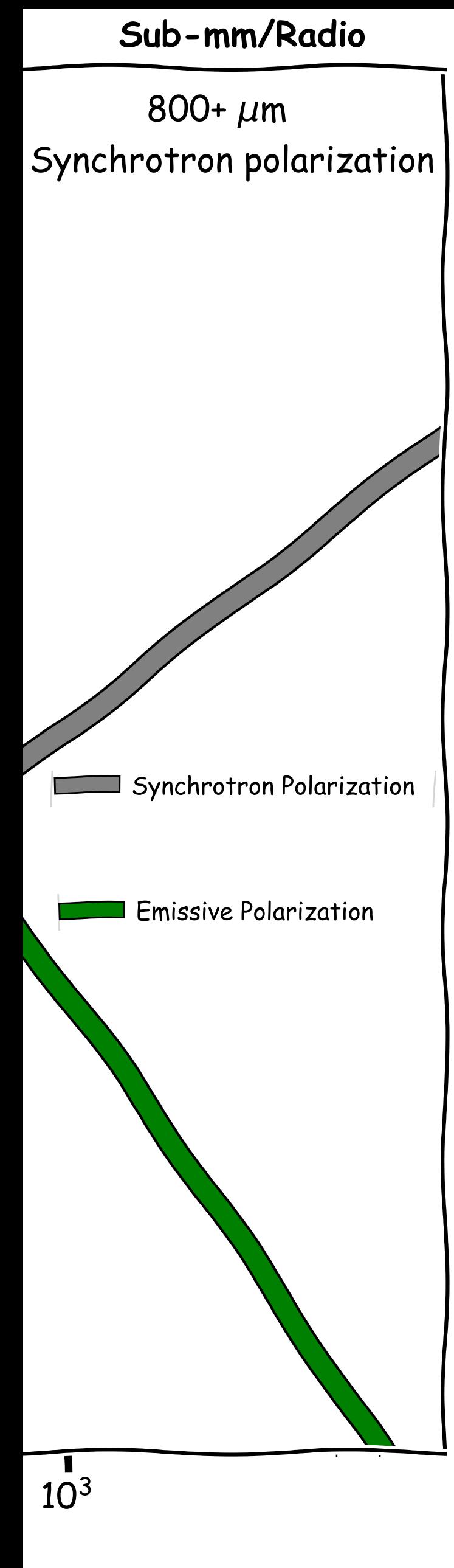
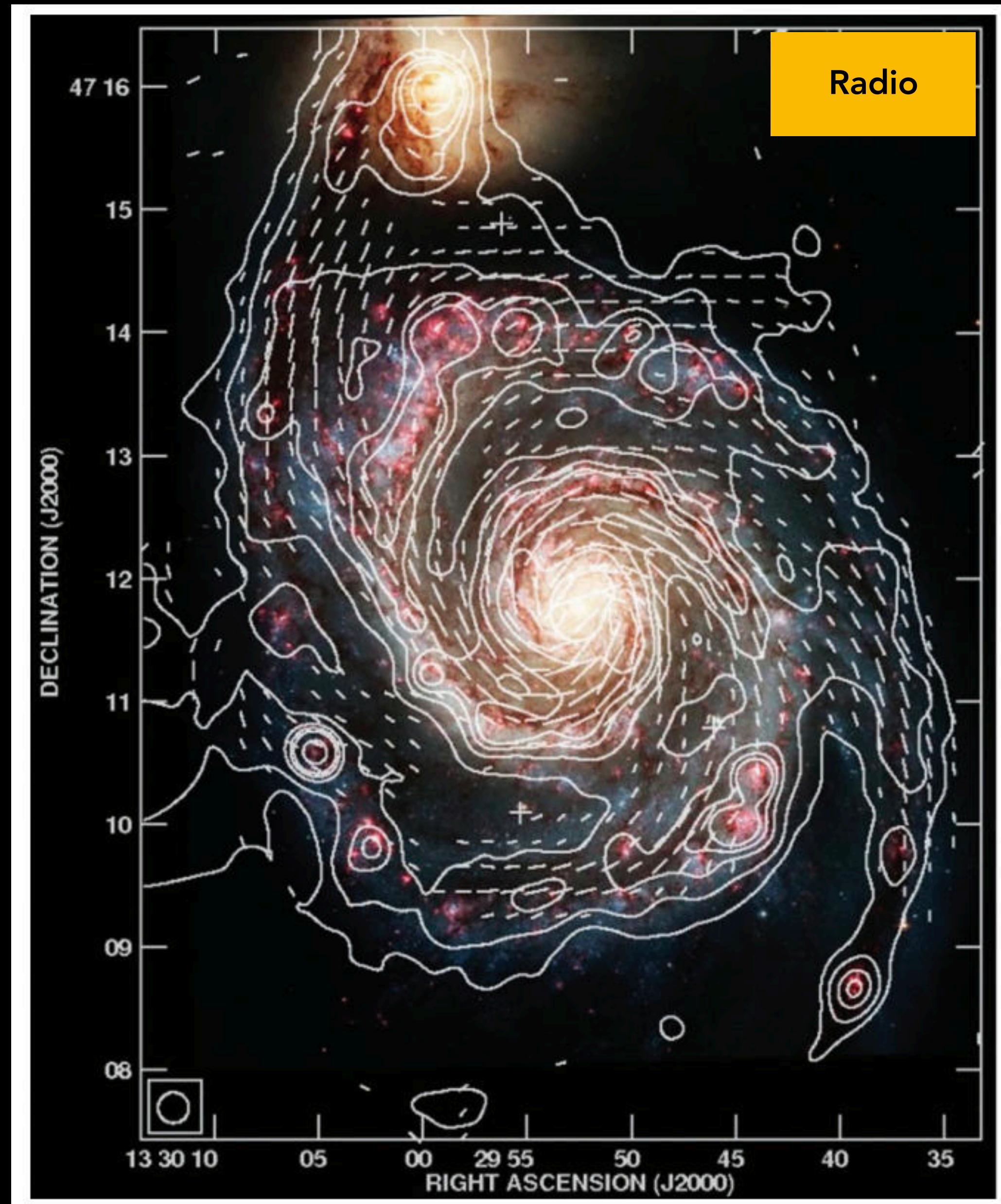
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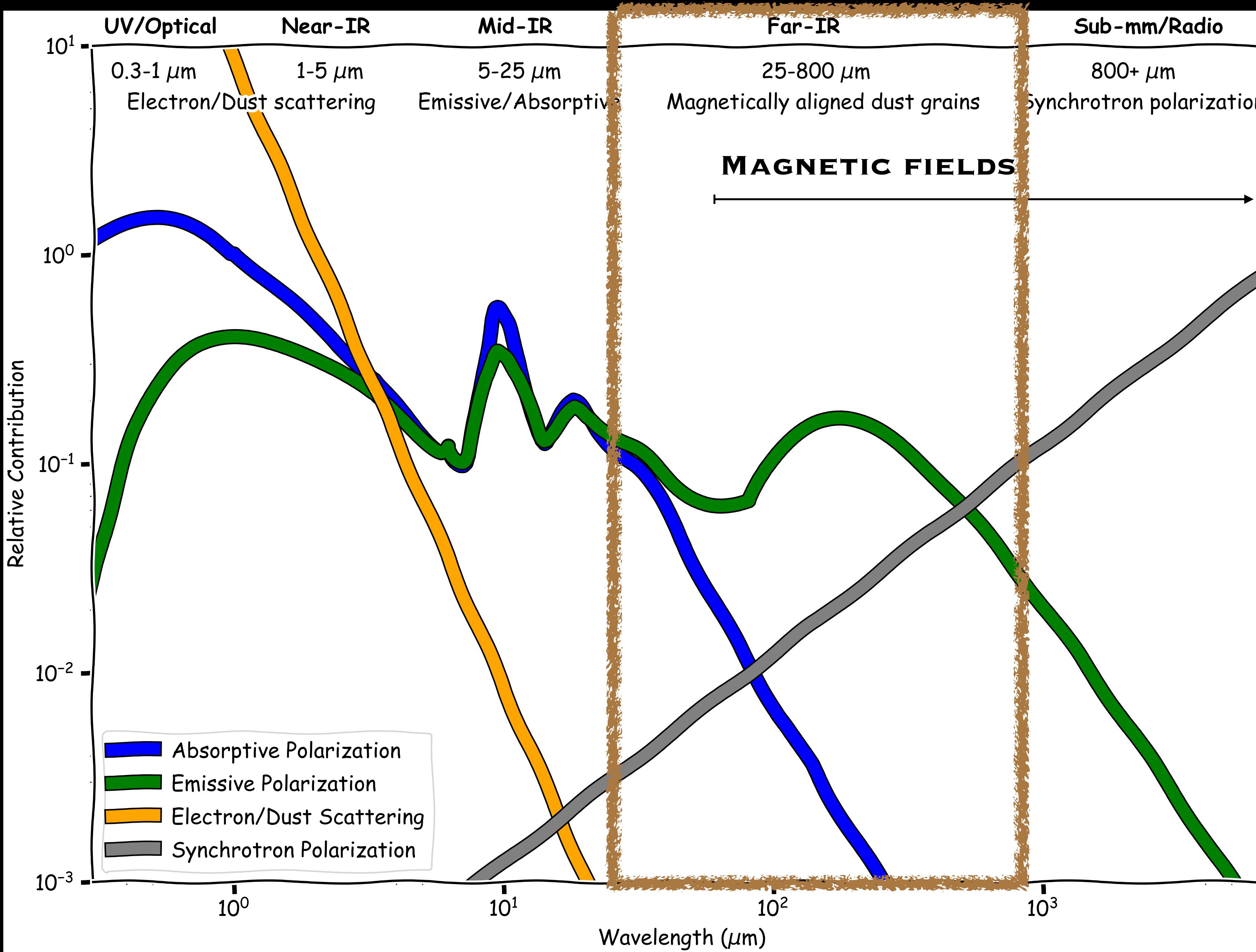
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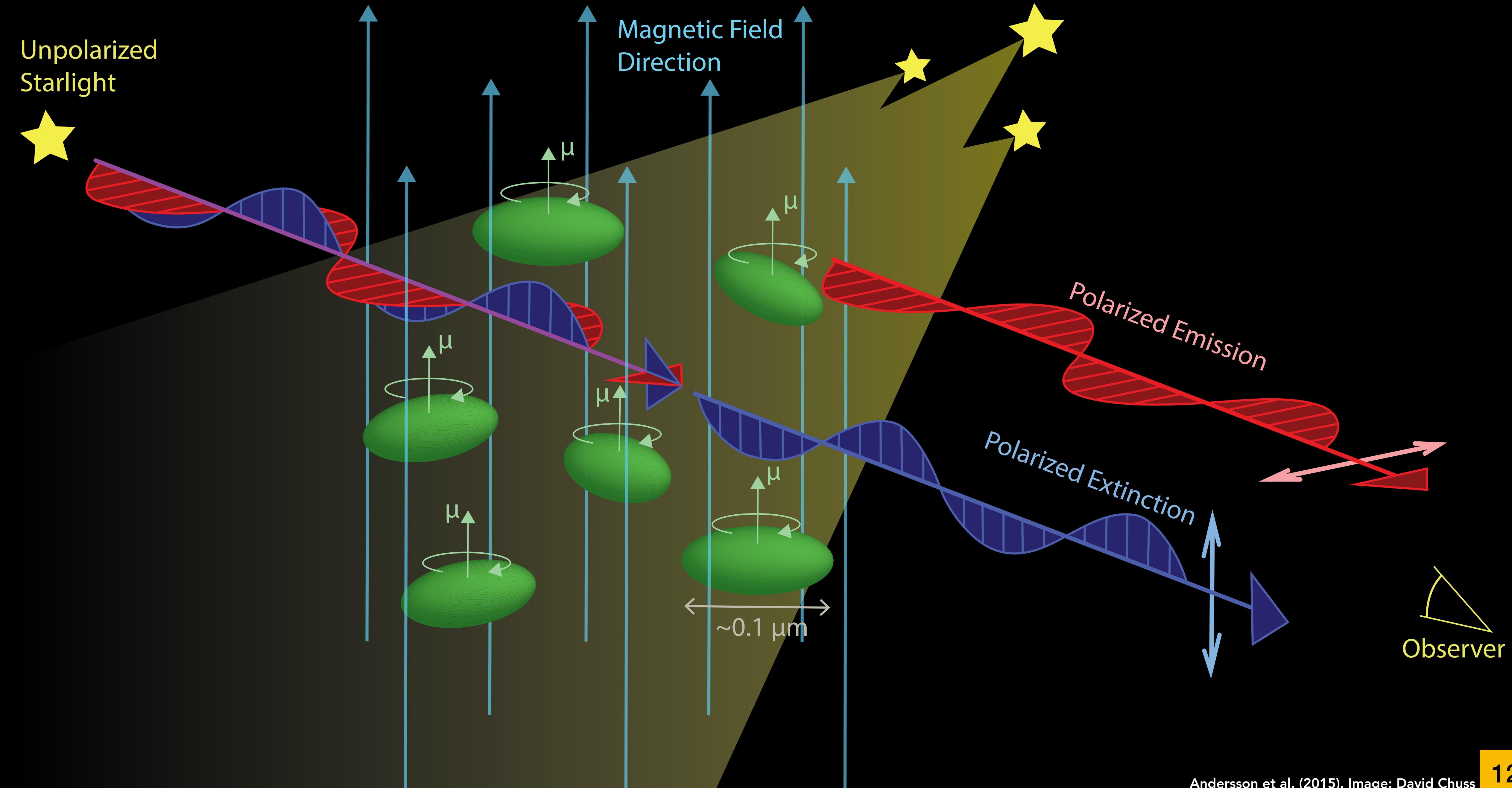
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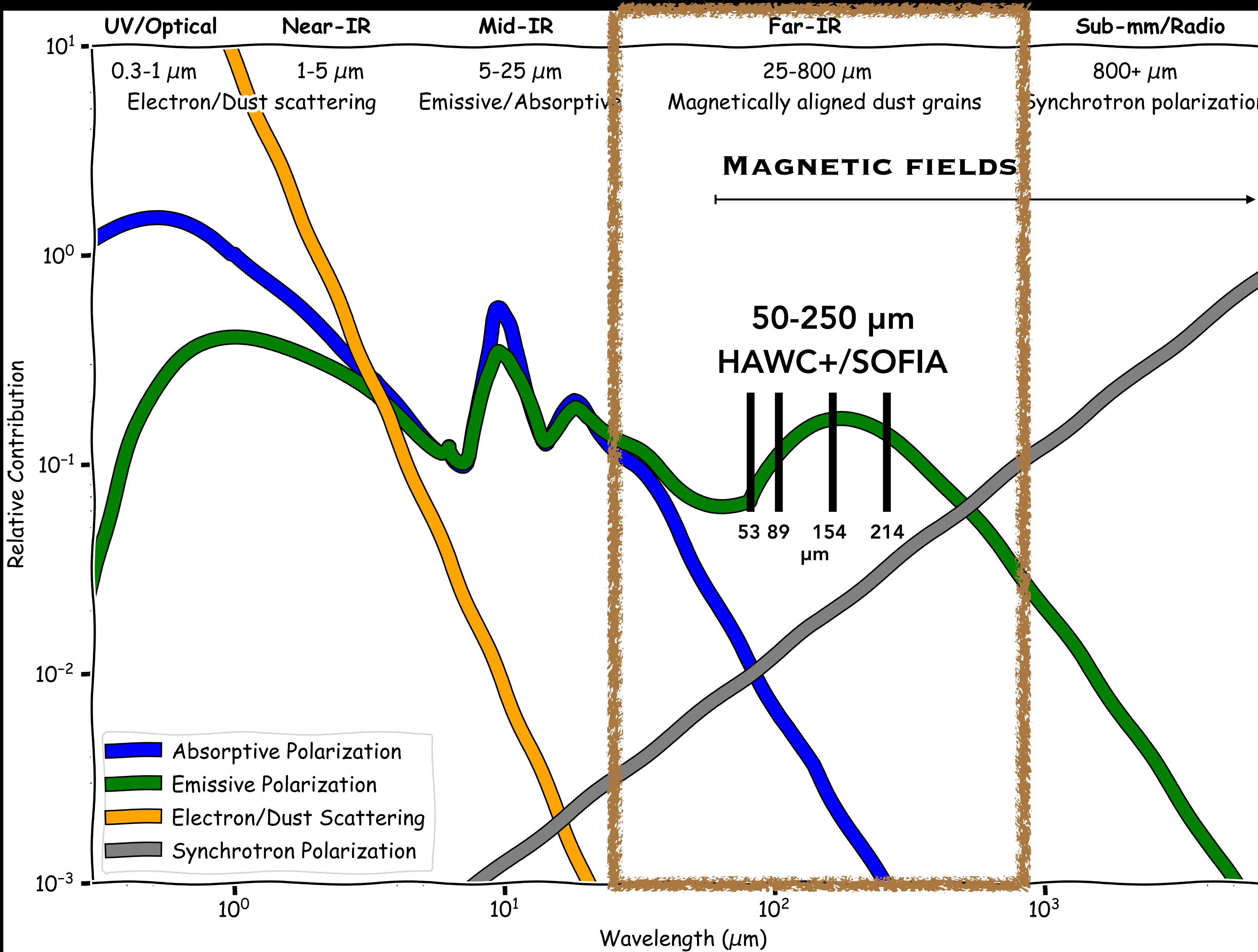
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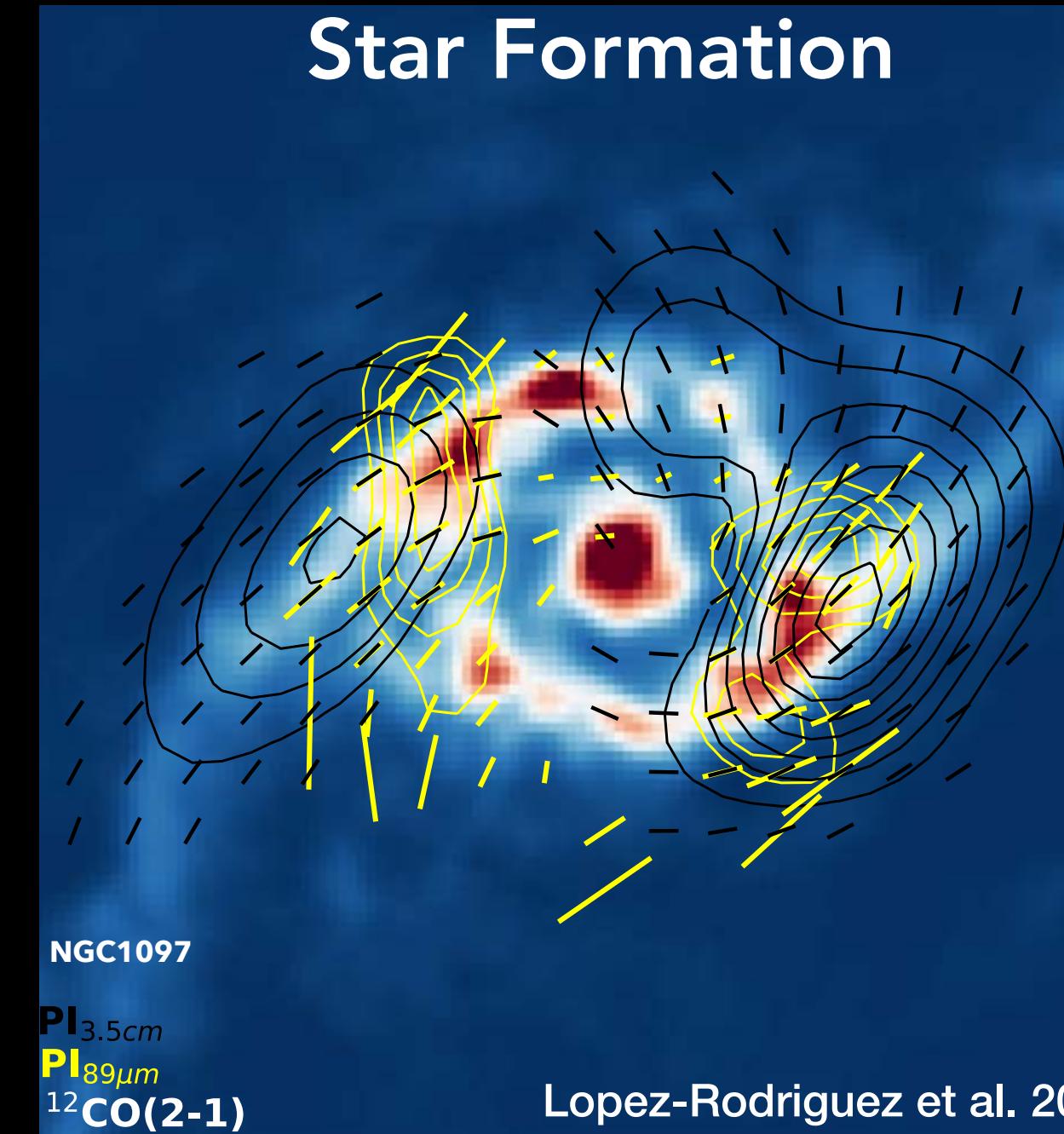
ISM Phase	Instrument	Tracers
Dense and cold	FIR/HAWC+/ SOFIA and ALMA	Continuum dust total/polarized emission of aligned dust B-field orientation
Warm and diffuse	Radio/VLA/ Effersberg	Synchrotron emission B-field orientation/direction/strength
Molecular gas (CO)	Sub-mm/ALMA	Line emission morphology Velocity field Velocity dispersion (turbulent kinetic energy)
Neutral gas (HI)	21cm (varios telescopes)	Line emission morphology Velocity field Velocity dispersion (turbulent kinetic energy)

KEY SCIENCE TOPICS OF THE LEGACY PROGRAM

Active Galaxies



Star Formation



Galaxy Dynamo Theory



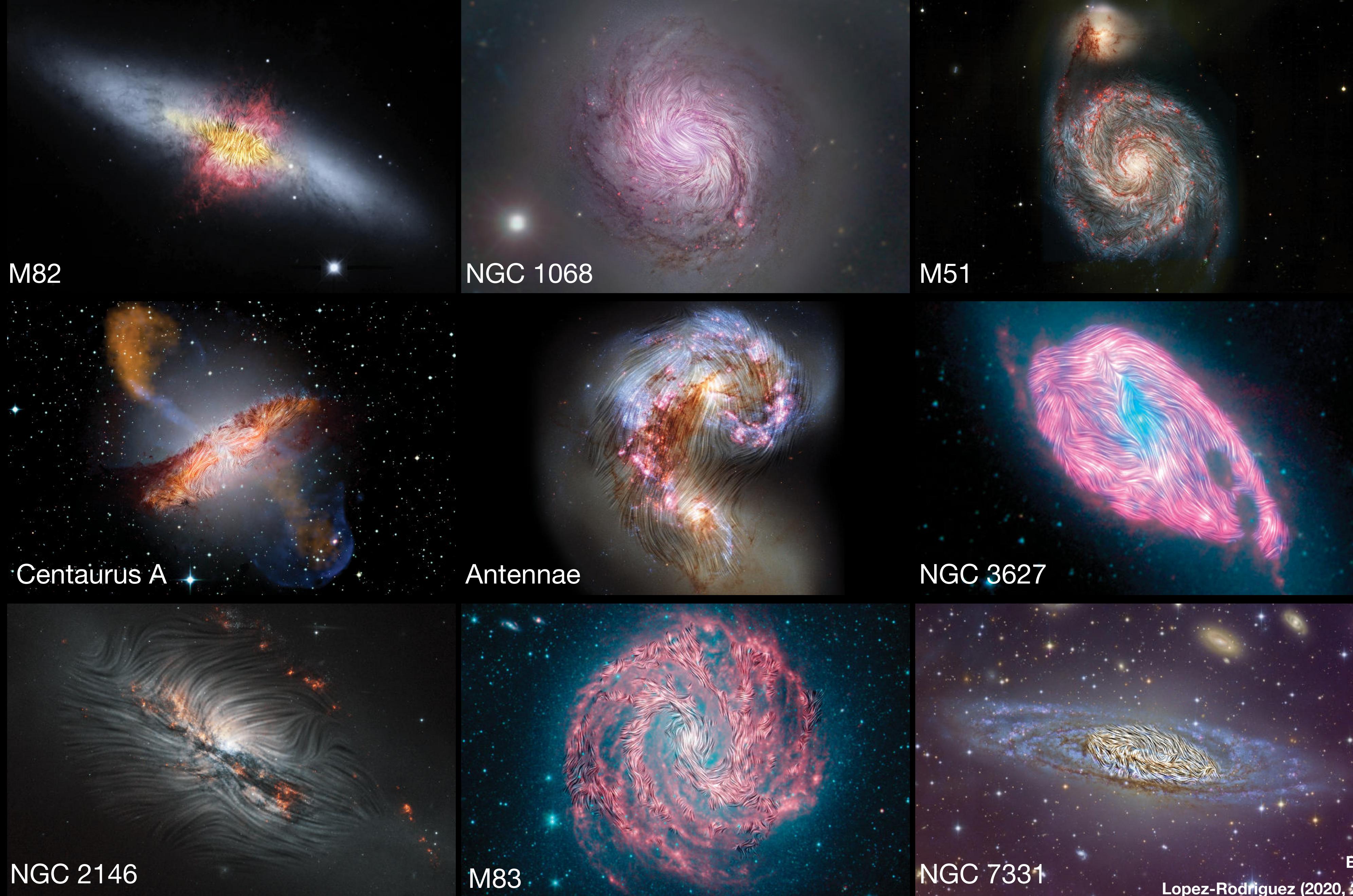
Interacting Galaxies



Intergalactic medium, galactic winds, energetic particles

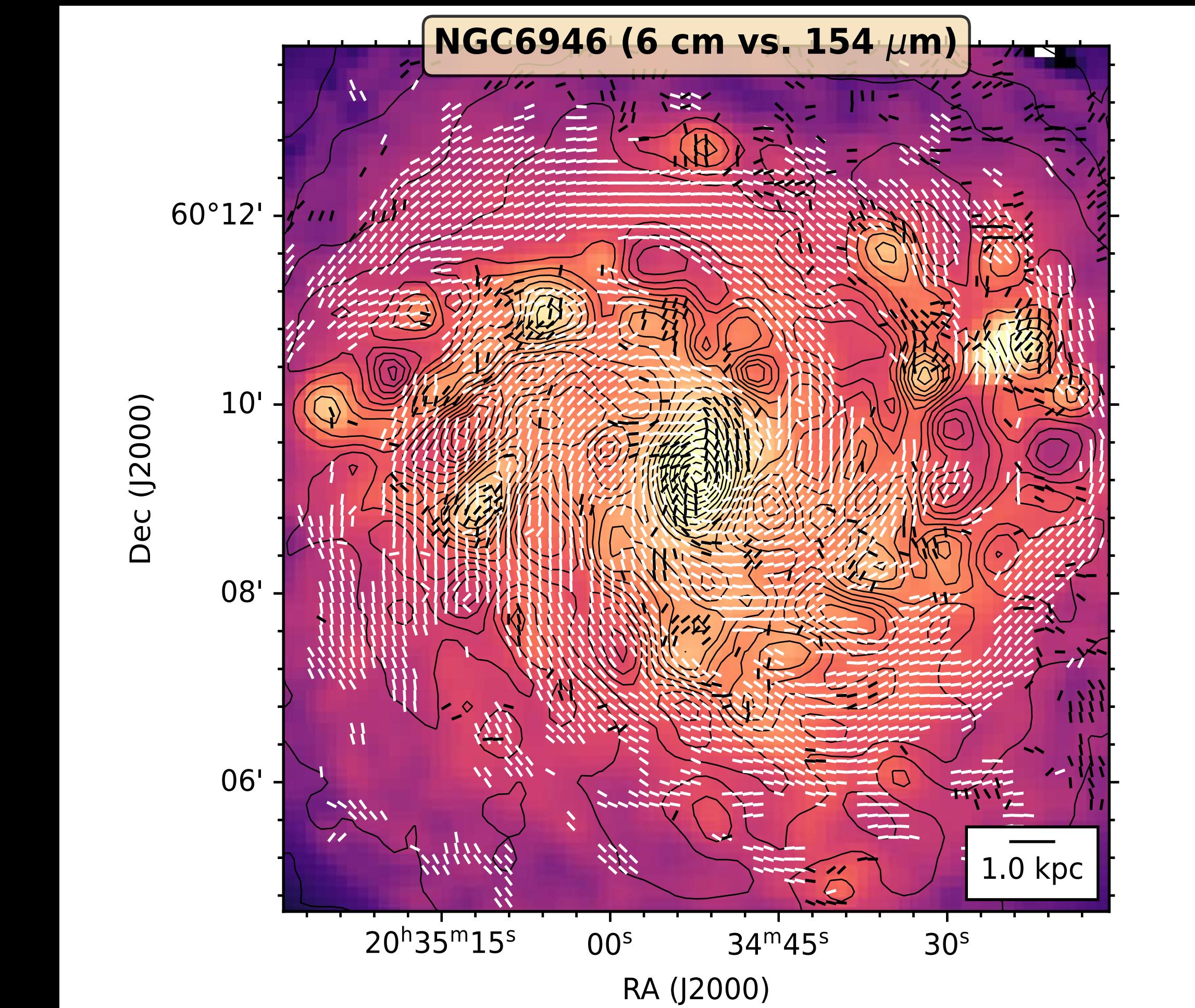
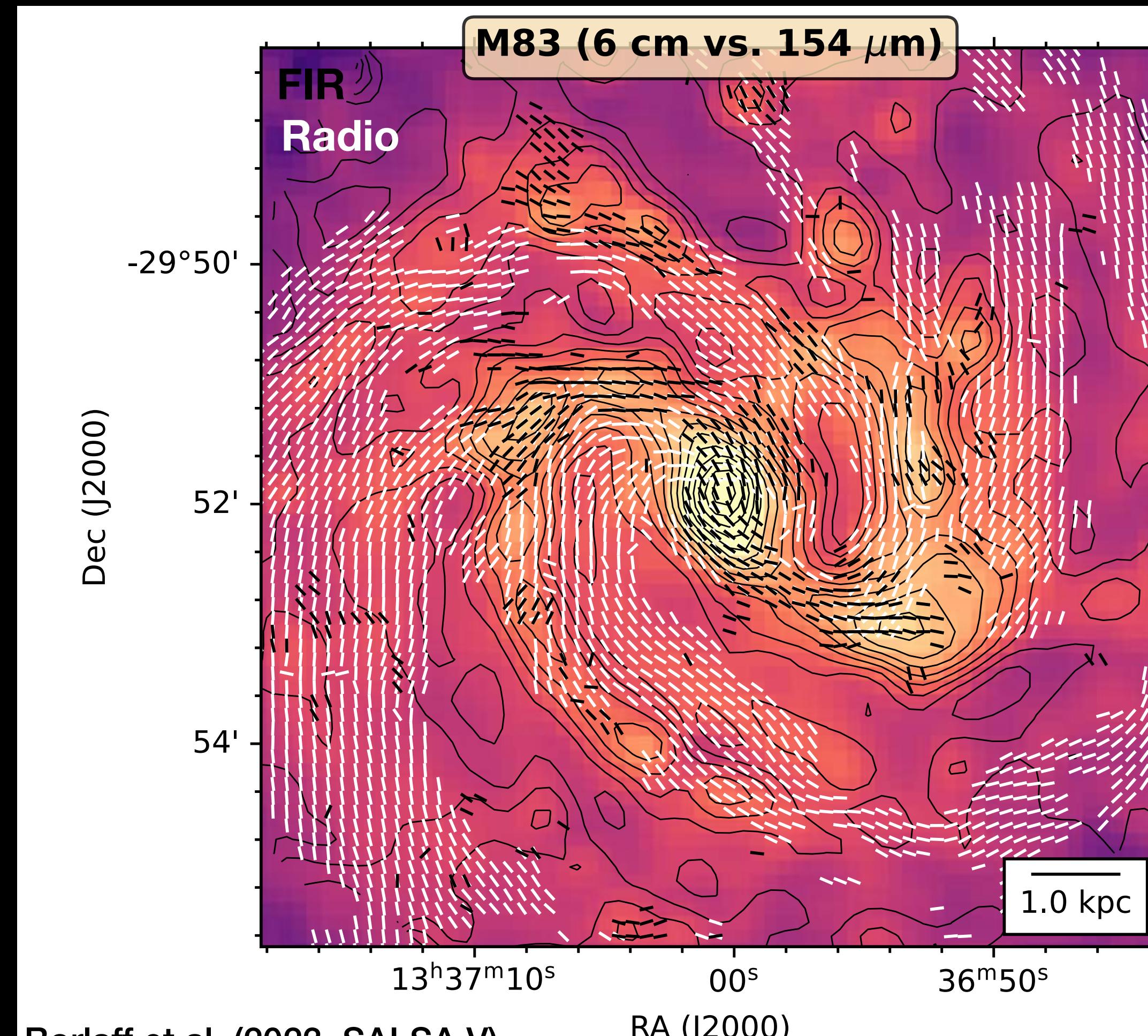


Magnetic fields permeate the interstellar and intergalactic medium

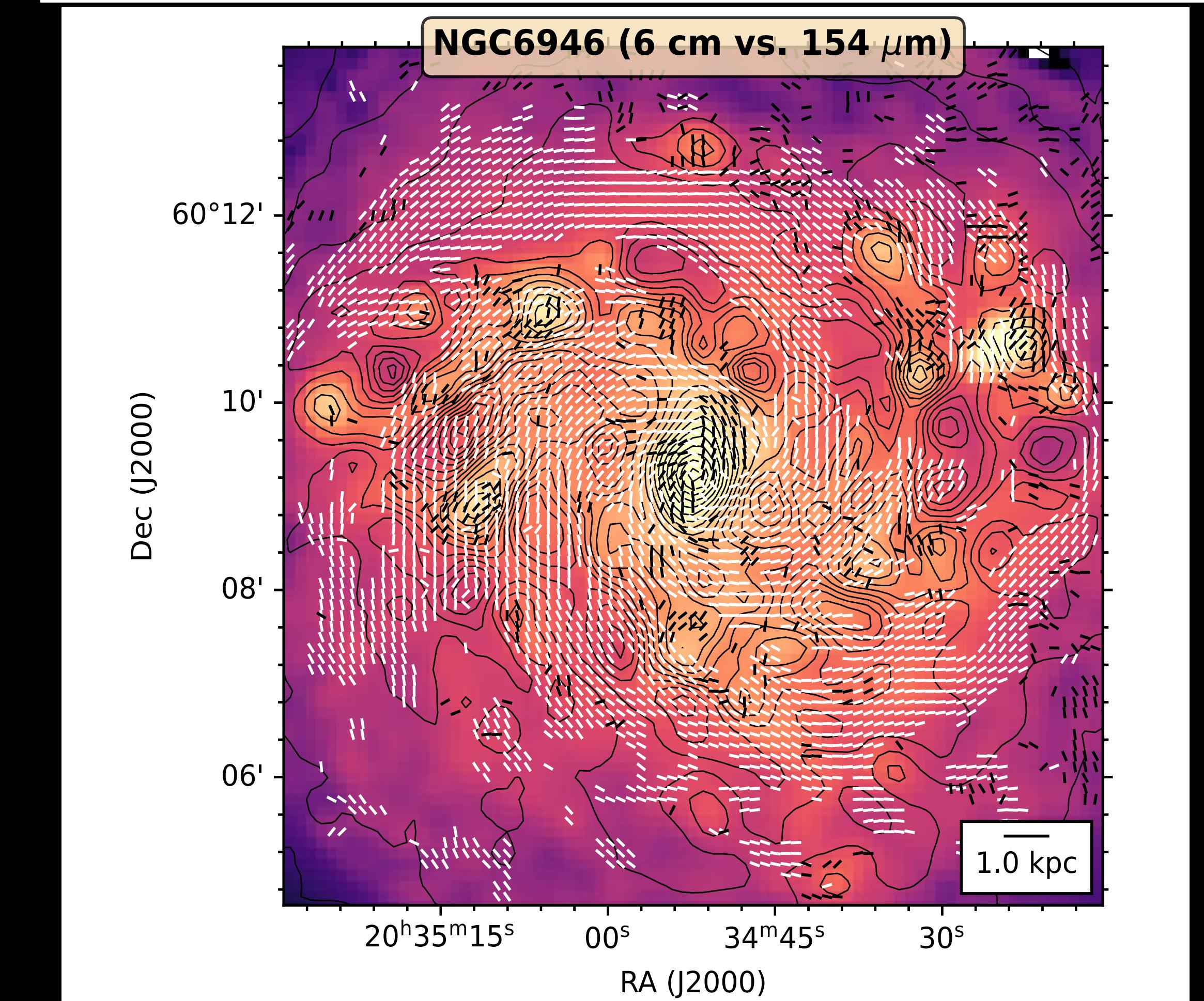
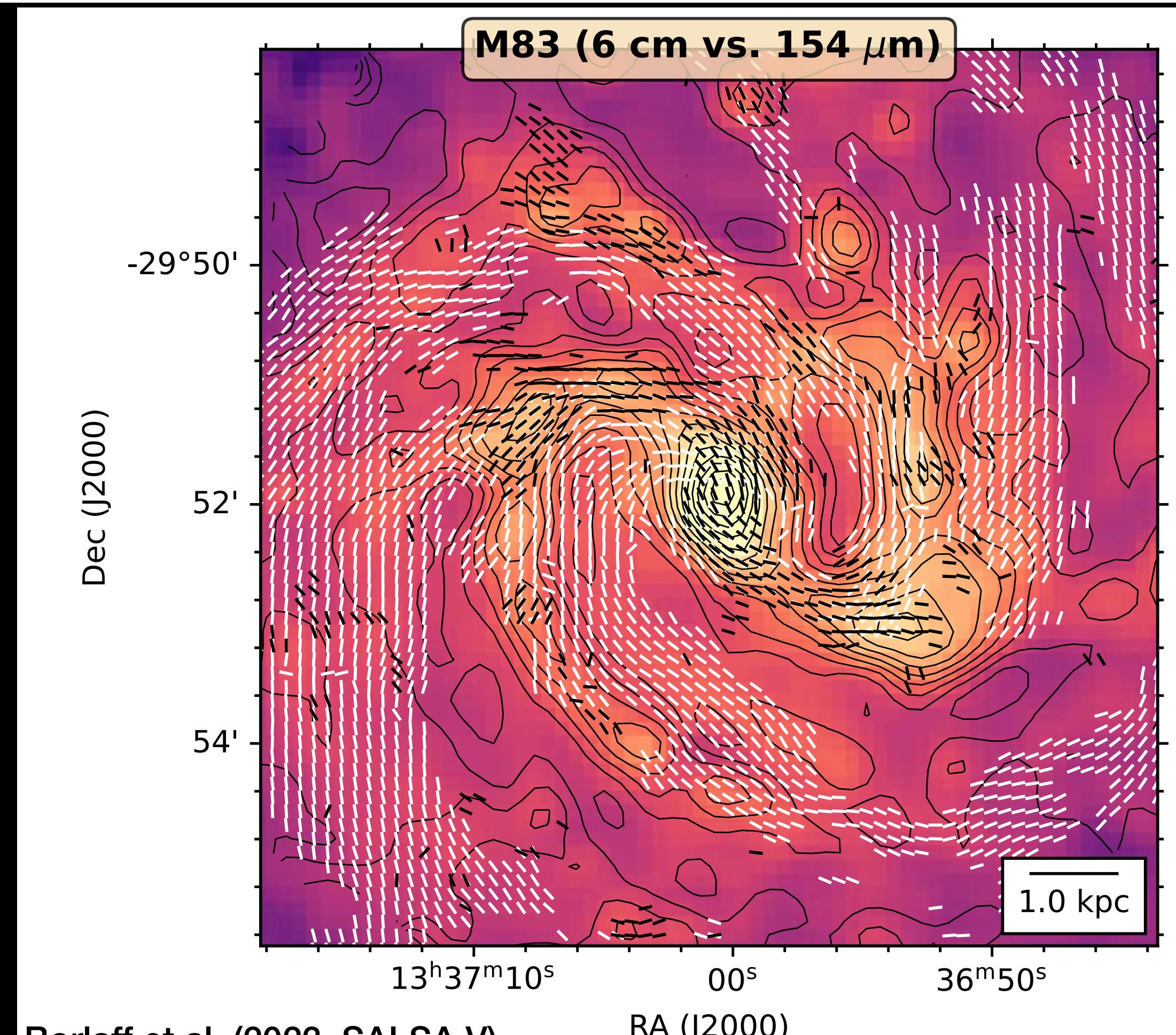
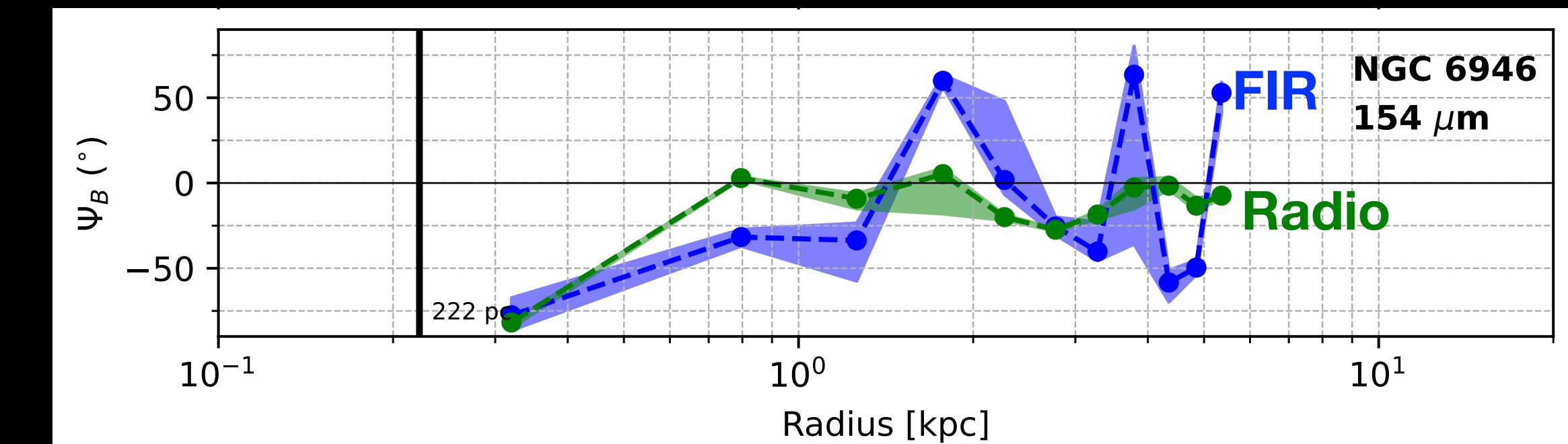
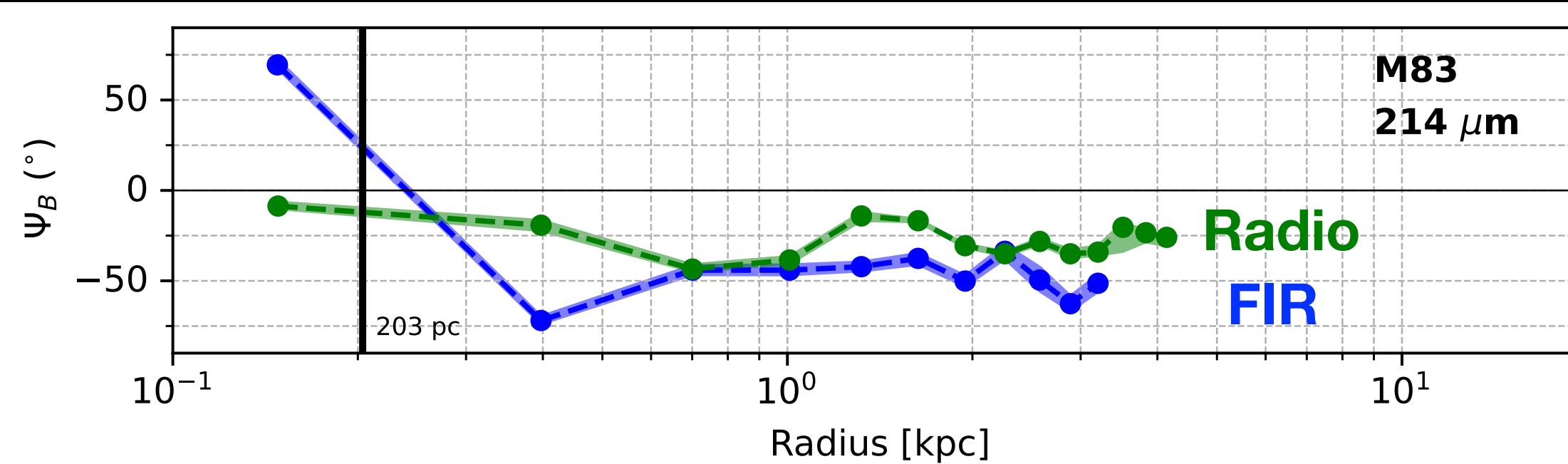


FIR vs. Radio B-field morphology

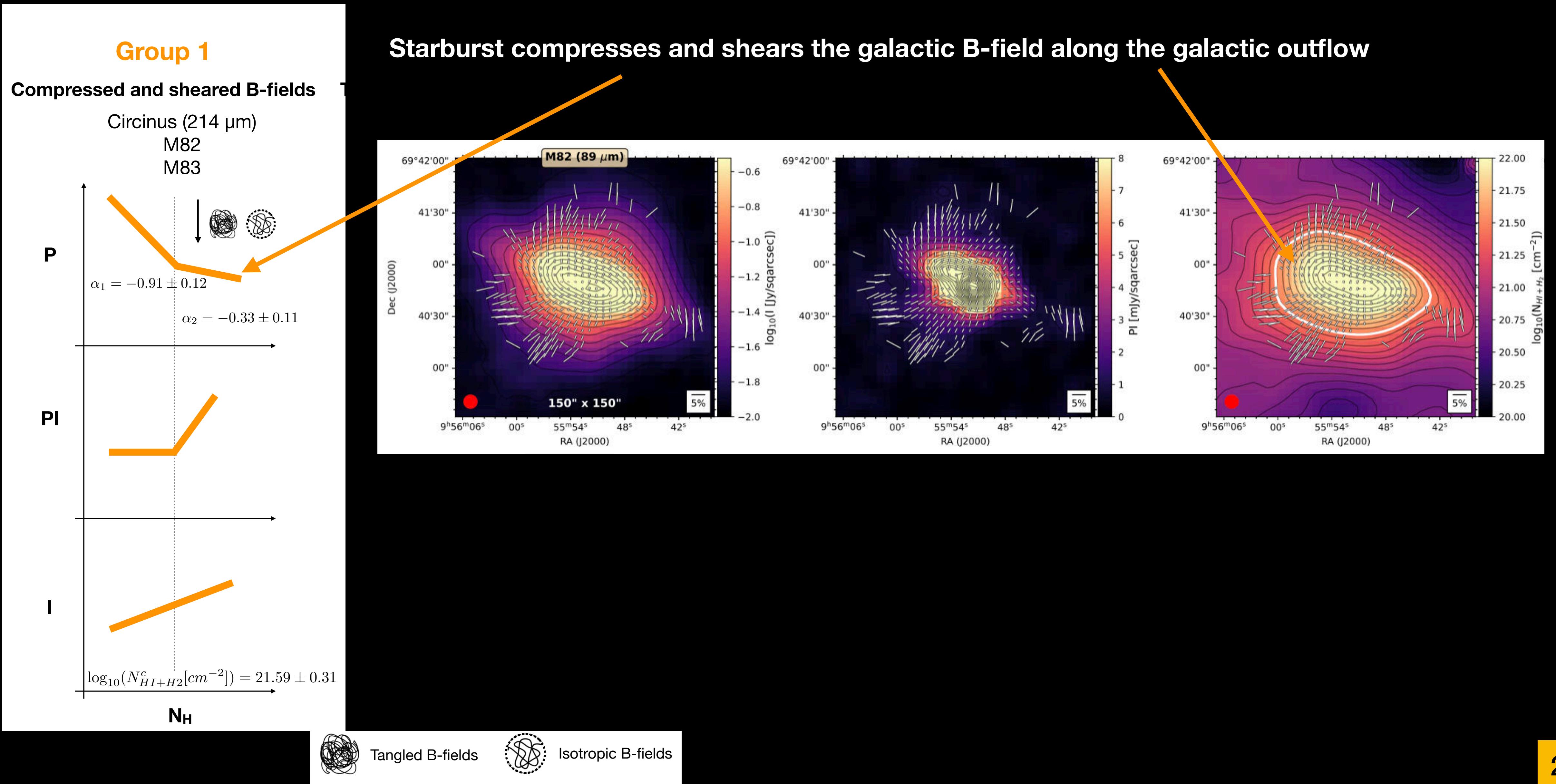
Large-scale spiral ordered B-fields dominate at both FIR and Radio wavelengths



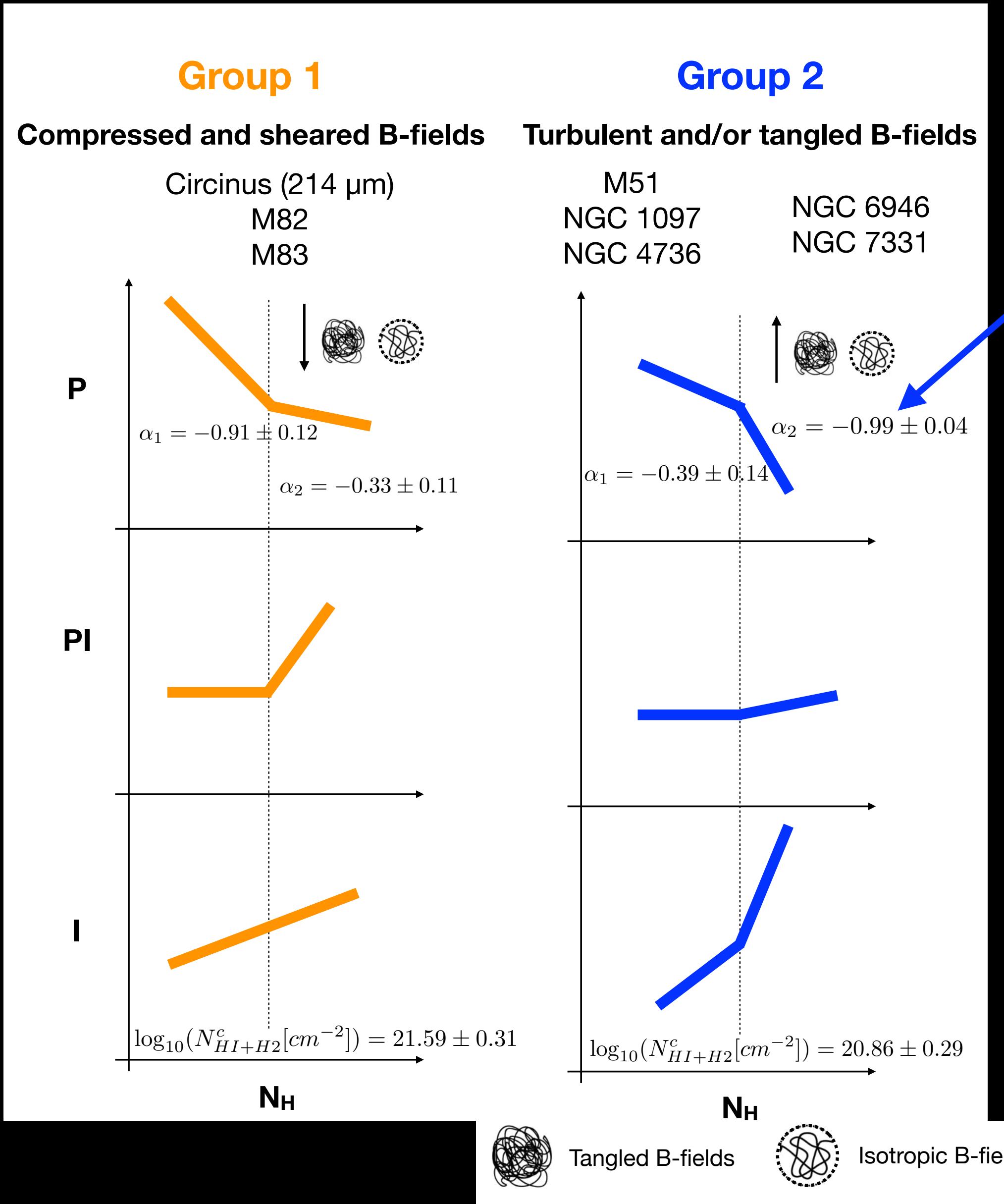
FIR B-field is more turbulent than the Radio B-field



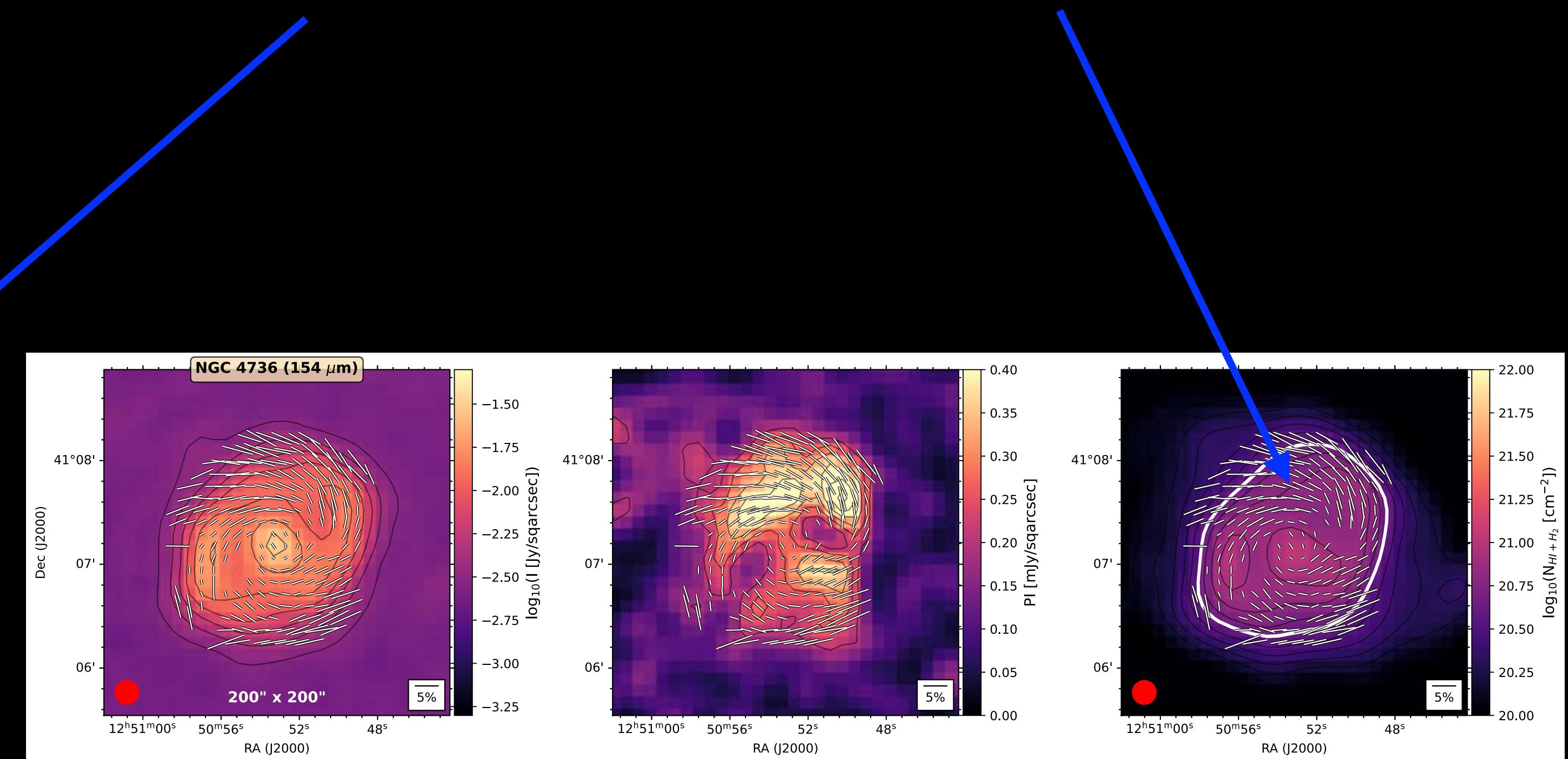
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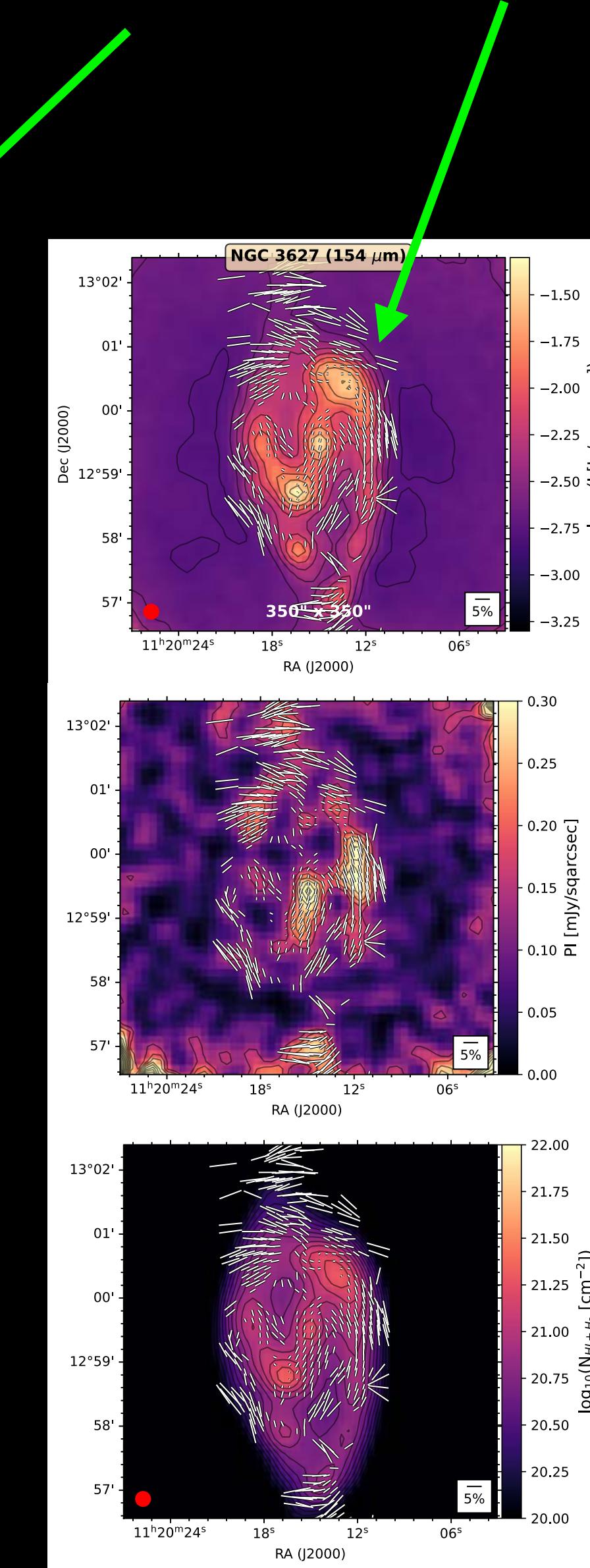
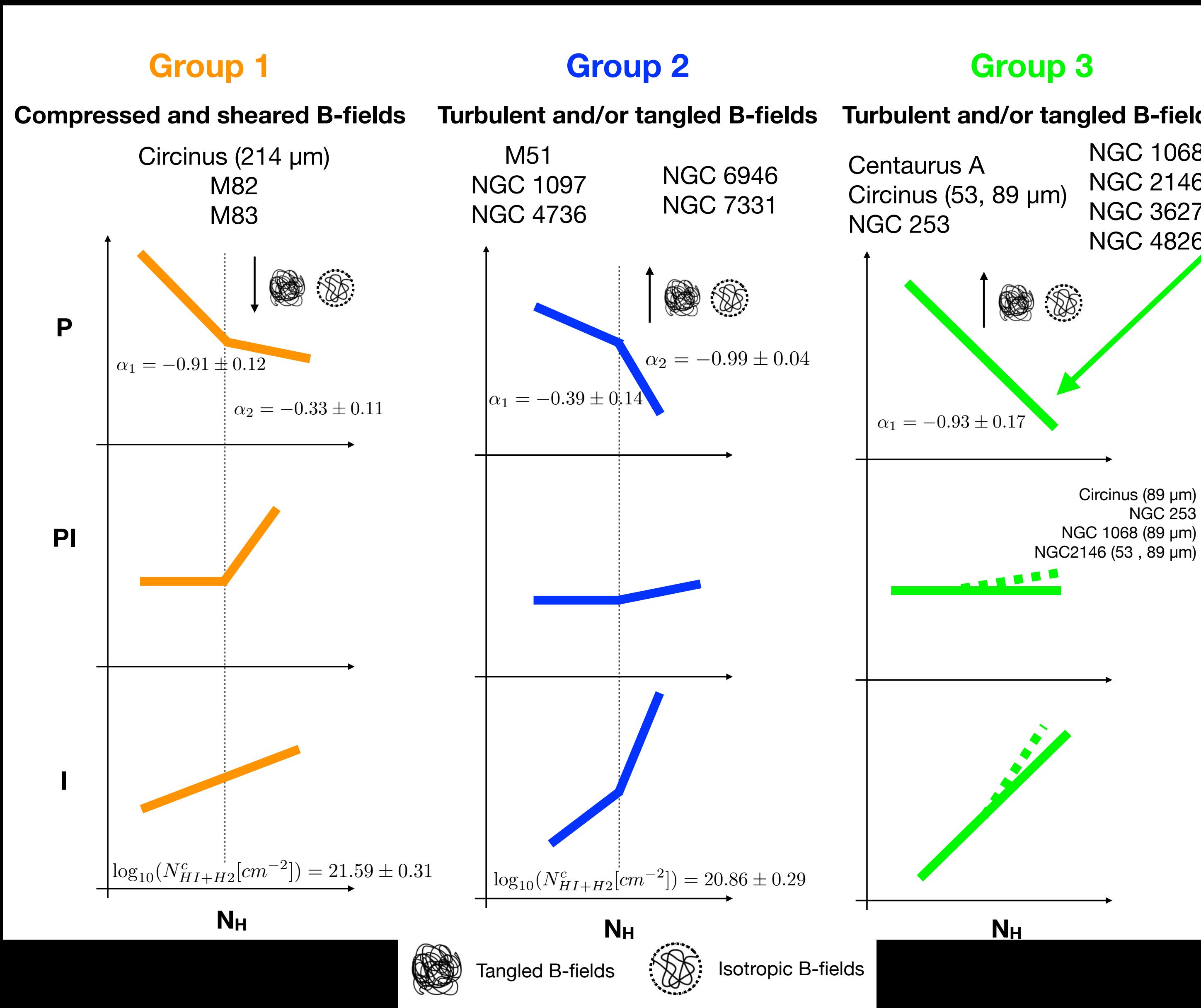


Star-forming regions inject turbulent and/or tangle the B-fields

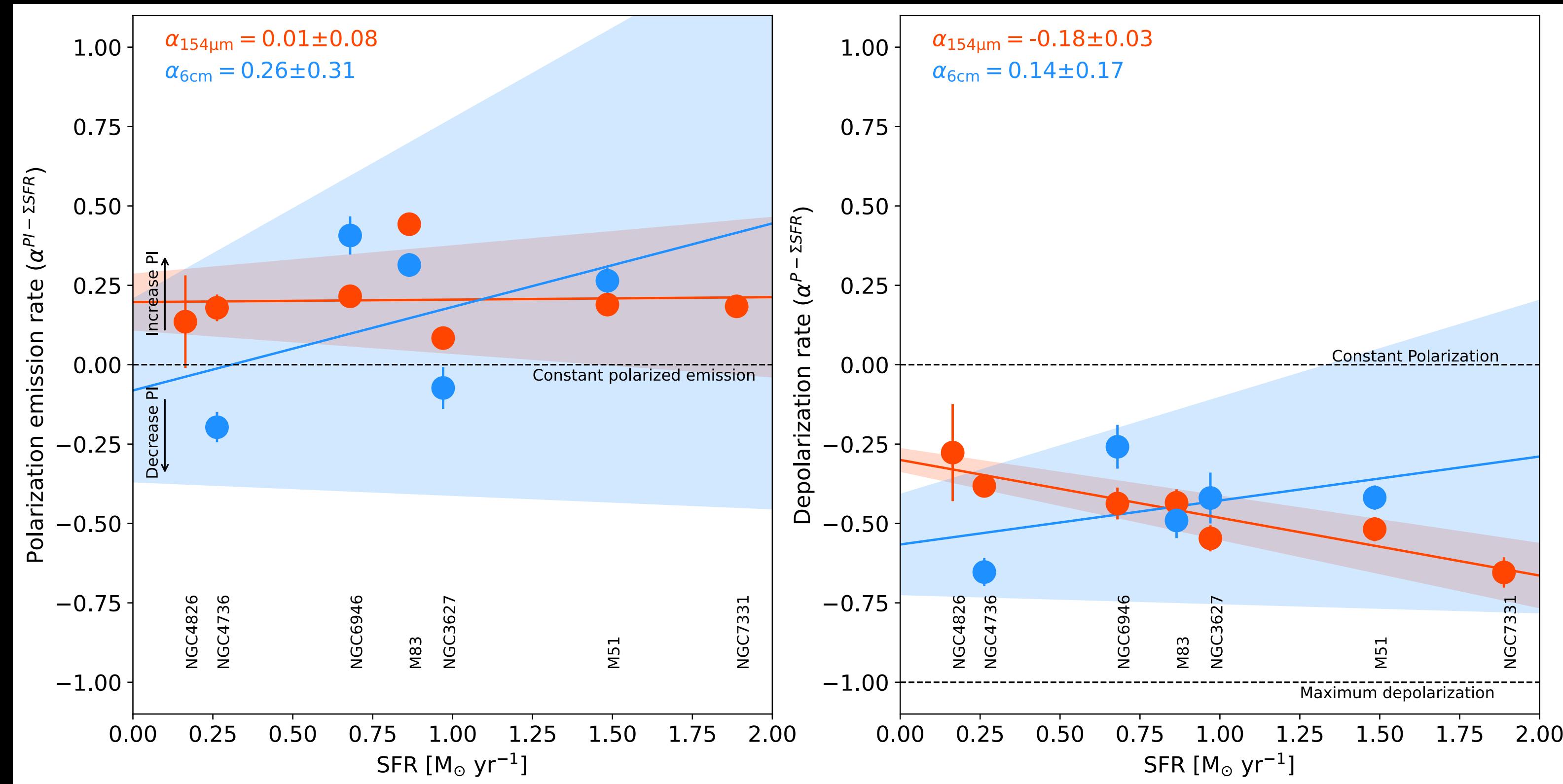


Where does the FIR turbulence come from?

The whole galaxy has a highly turbulent and/or tangled B-field



FIR turbulent B-field is located in the dense and cold ISM associated with SF regions



Radio

- PI rate ~ increases with SFR.

FIR

- PI rate is constant with SFR.

- P rate ~ constant with SFR.

- P rate decreases with SFR.

Increase of anisotropic random B-fields (tentative)

Increase of isotropic random B-fields

FIR turbulent B-field arises from the injection of turbulent energy driven by SF in the dense ISM.

FIR has a tighter depolarization rate with SFR than at radio wavelengths.

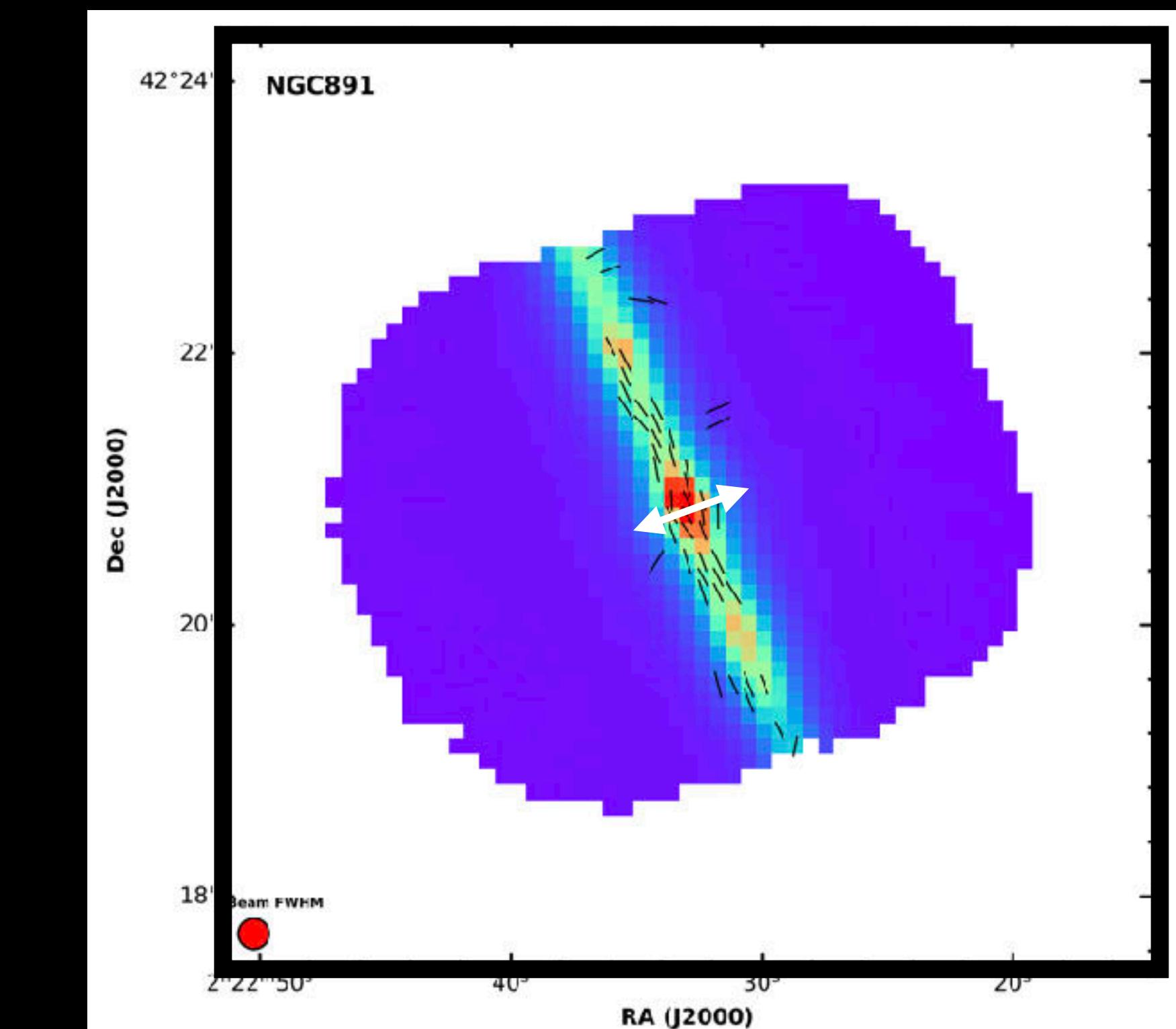
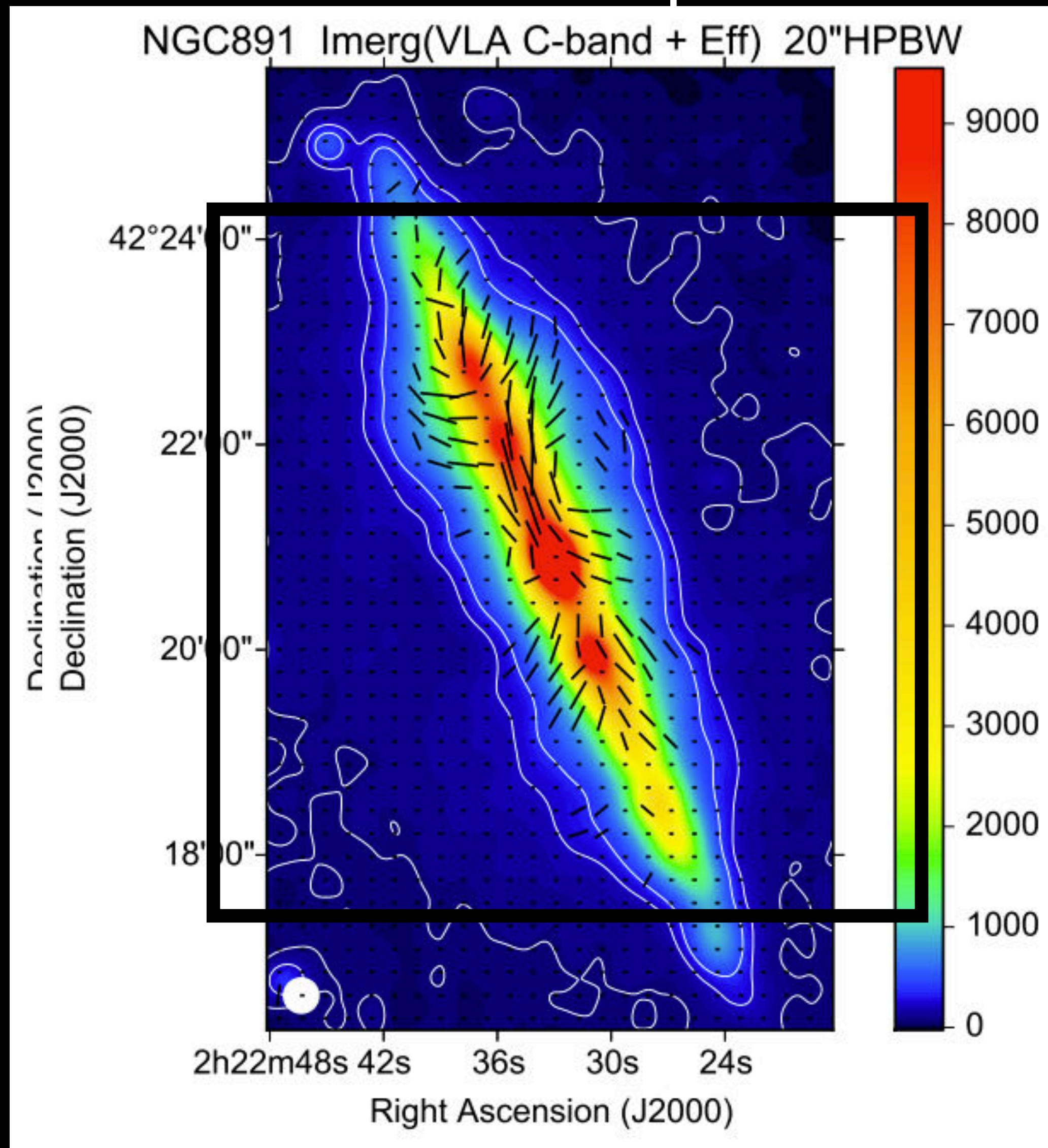
Structure of the B-field using radio and FIR polarimetric observations

Radio: warm and diffuse ISM

FIR: cold and dense ISM

$h \sim 1\text{-}2 \text{ kpc}$

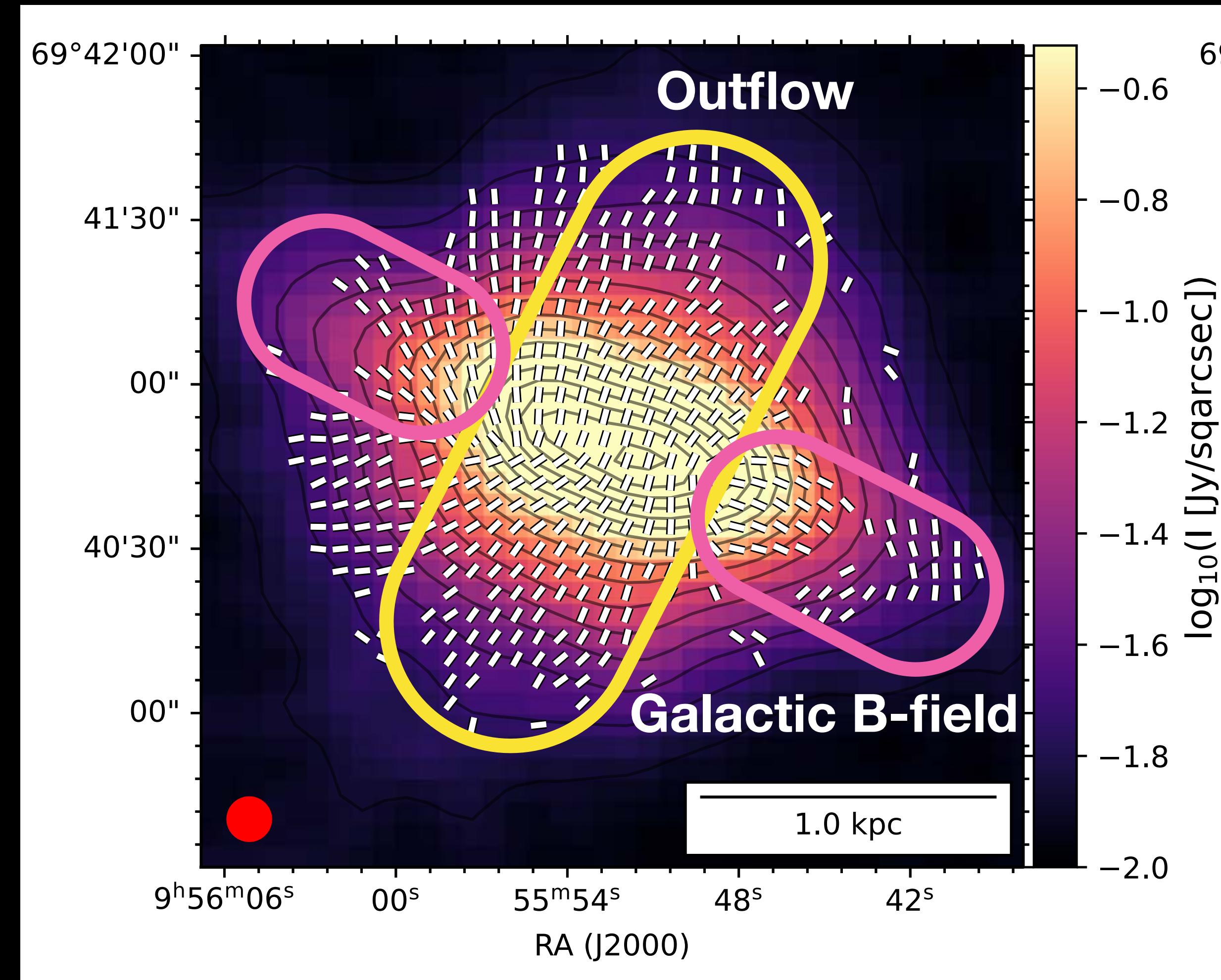
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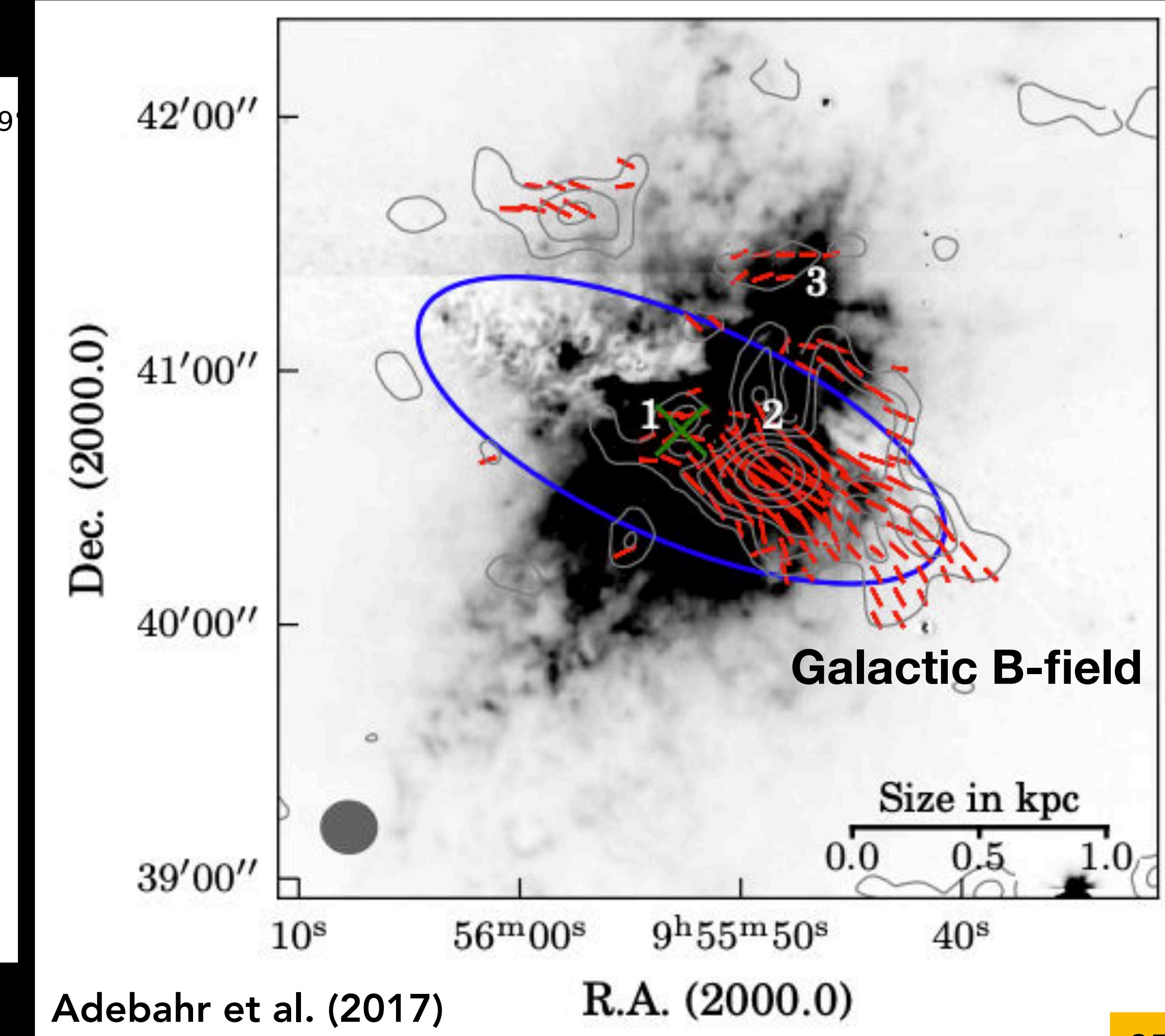
Jones et al. (2020) FWHM (HAWC+): 13.6"

FIR polarization traces the B-field along galactic outflows

FIR (89 μm)



Radio (18 and 22 cm)

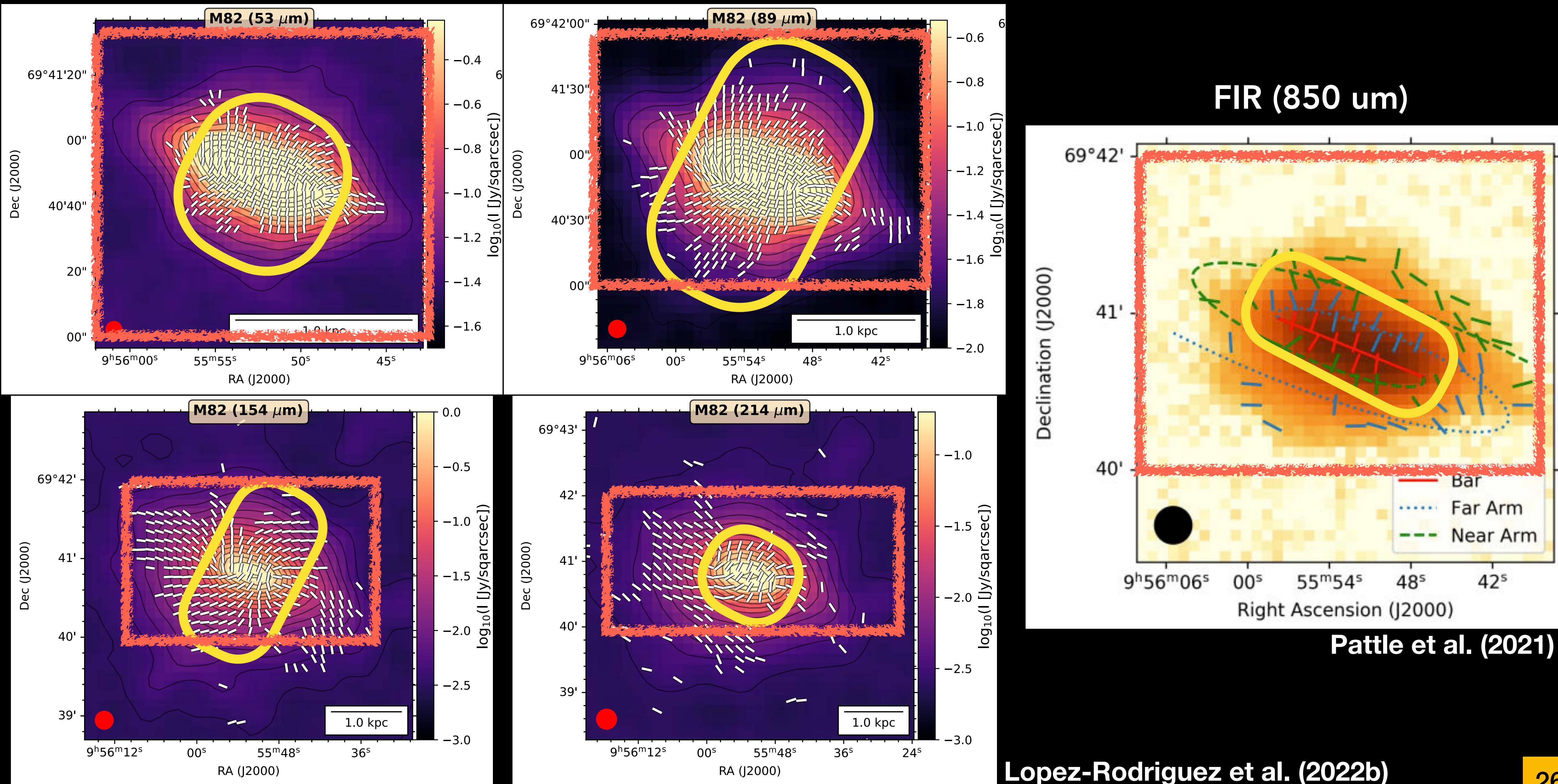


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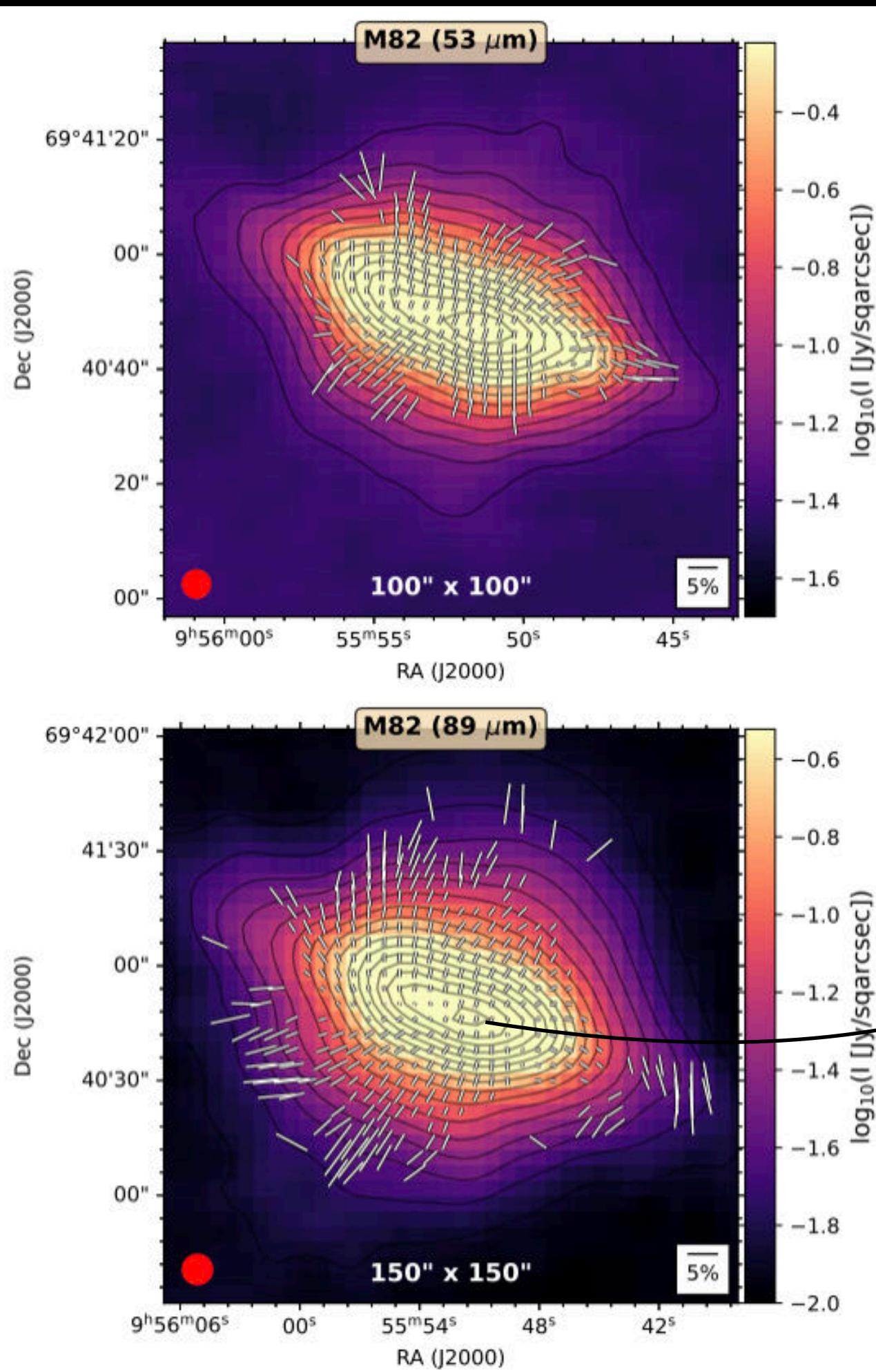
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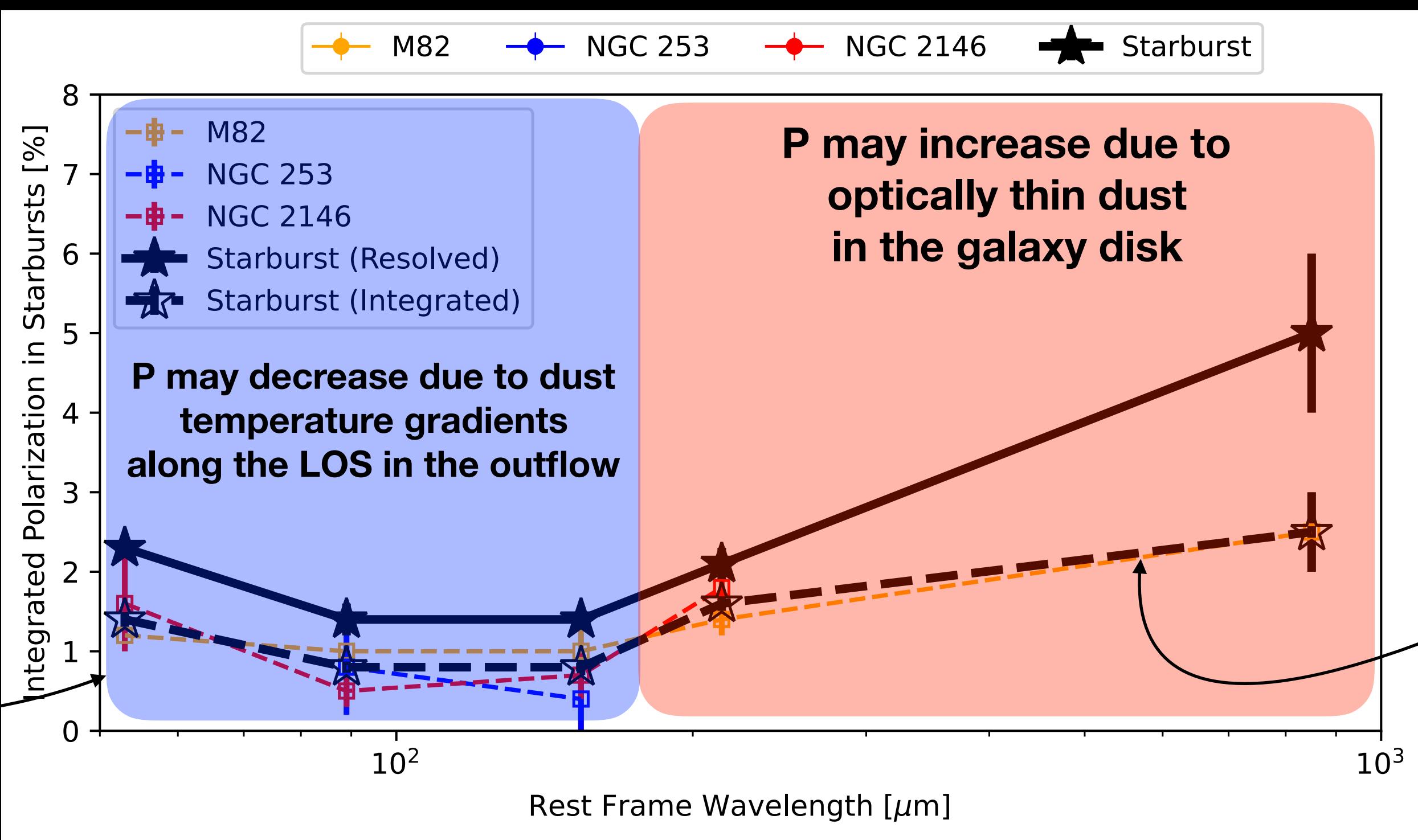
MULTI-WAVELENGTH ANALYSIS OF THE GALACTIC OUTFLOW'S B-FIELD



Dust properties: FIR polarized spectrum of Starburst galaxies

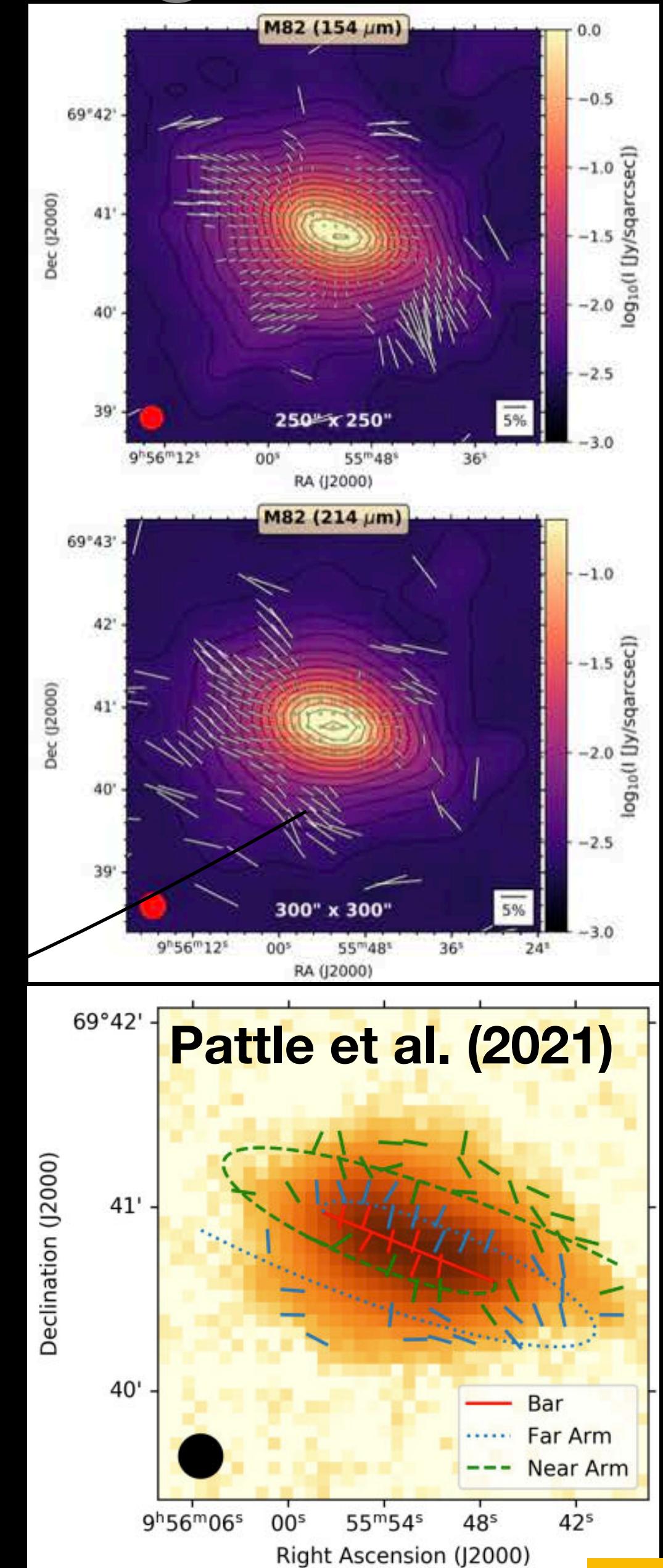


At least two dust components are required to explain the polarized SED of starbursts.



At short wavelengths, the hot dust from the galactic outflow dominates up to scales of ~ 4 kpc above and below the disk.

At longer wavelengths, the cold dust from the galactic disk dominates.



The turbulent kinetic and magnetic energy are in equipartition in the outflow

Energy budget:

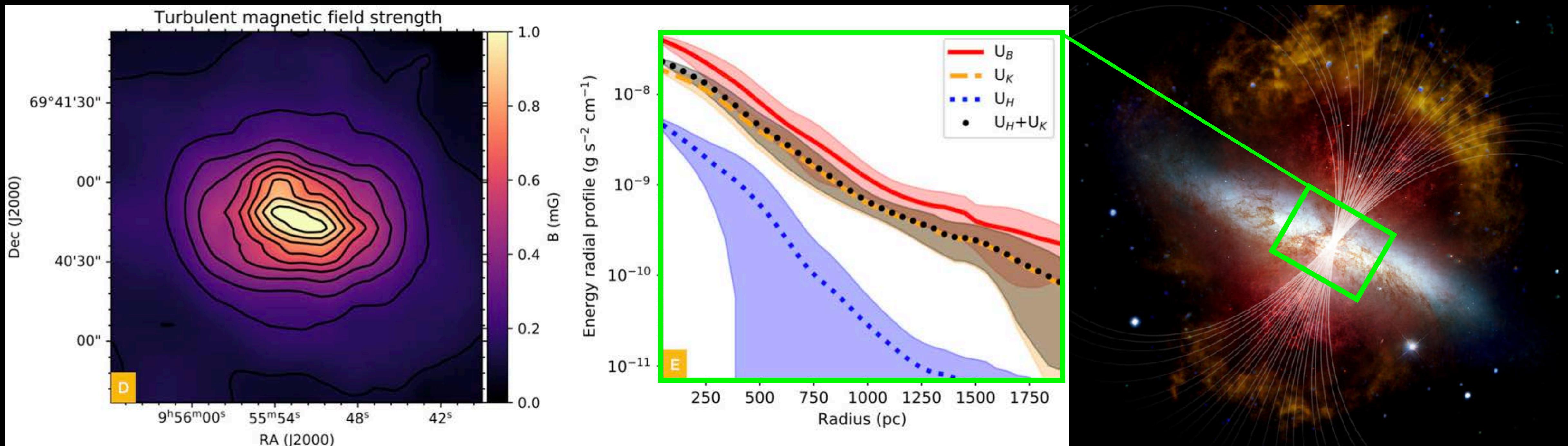
- The beta parameter defines the entrainment between kinetic, thermal, and magnetic energies:

$$\beta' = \frac{U_K + U_H}{U_B}$$

Our method:

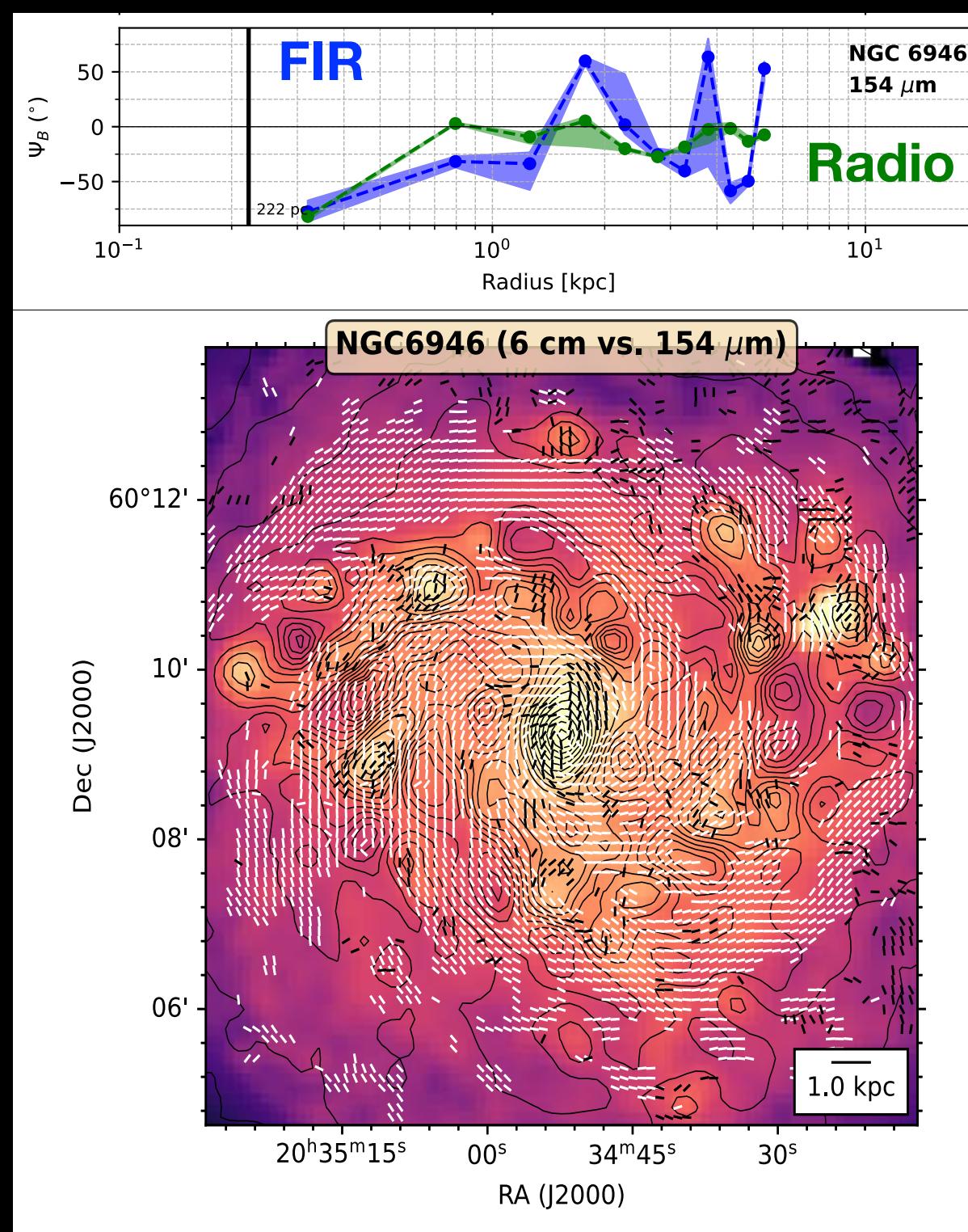
- The corrected DCF (i.e., large-scale flow) method provides the mean B-field strength within the starburst mask.
- The energy balance shows that turbulent magnetic and kinetic energies are in close equipartition. $\beta' = 0.56 \pm 0.23$

Galactic outflows permeate the CGM and IGM with astrophysical B-fields



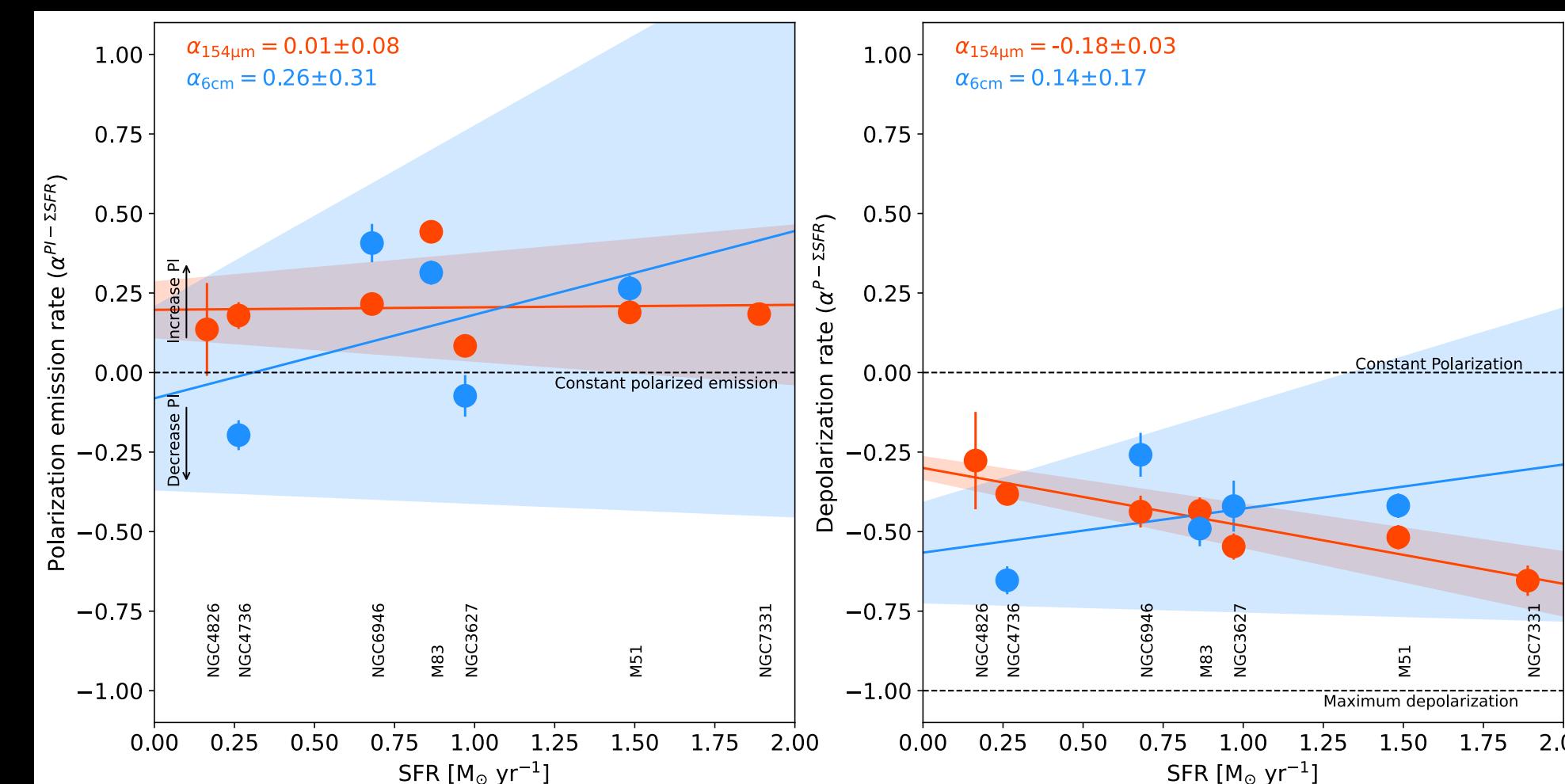
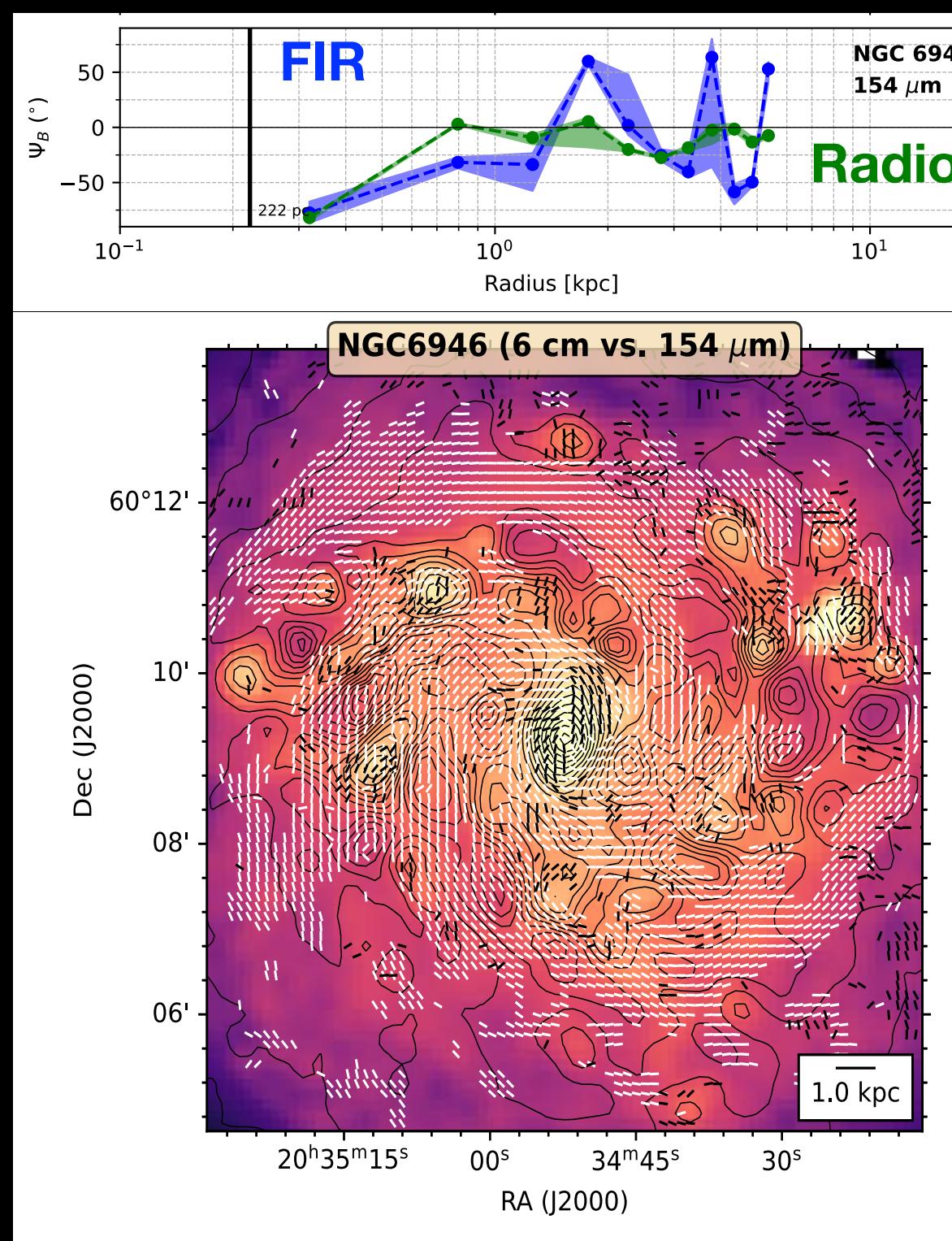
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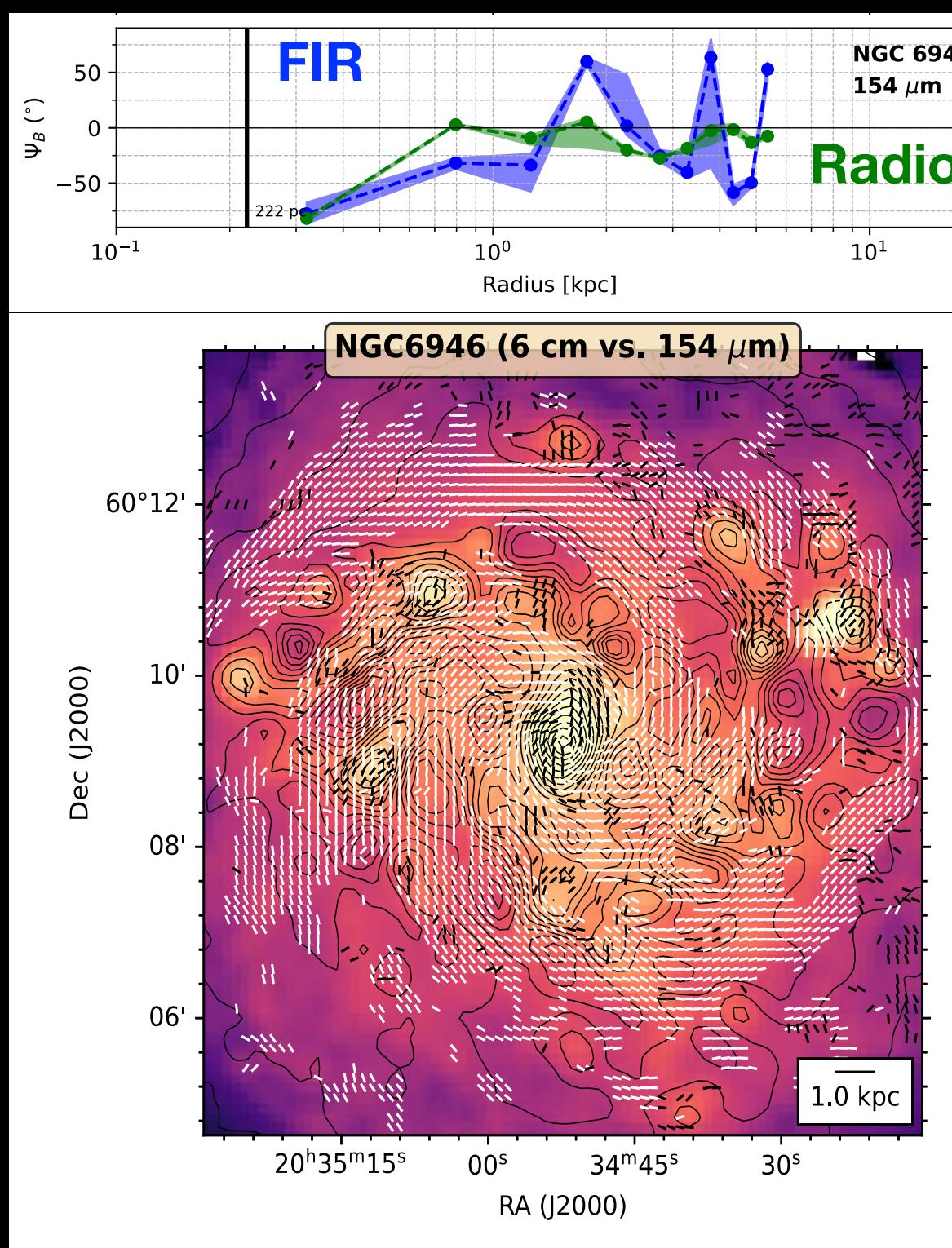
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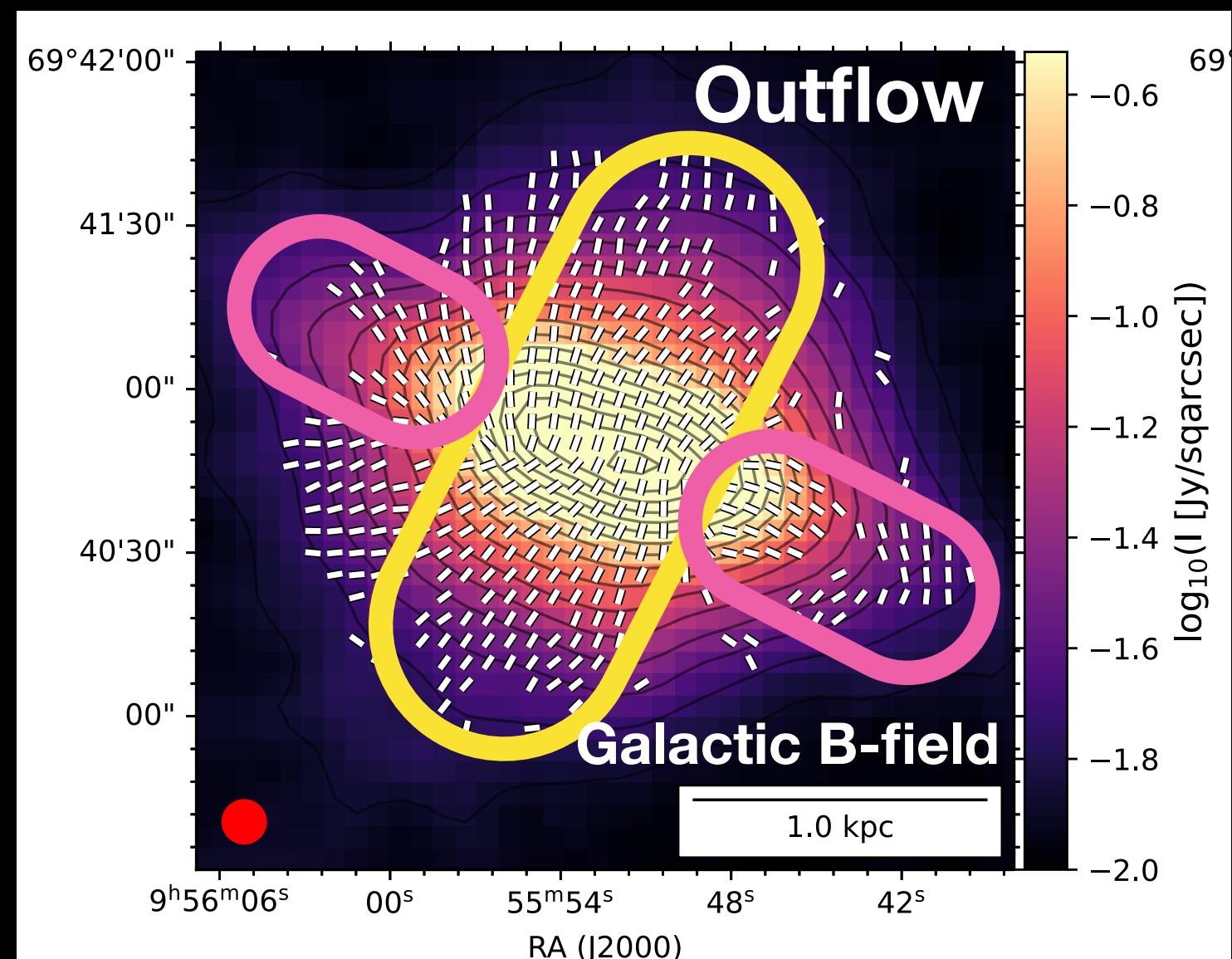
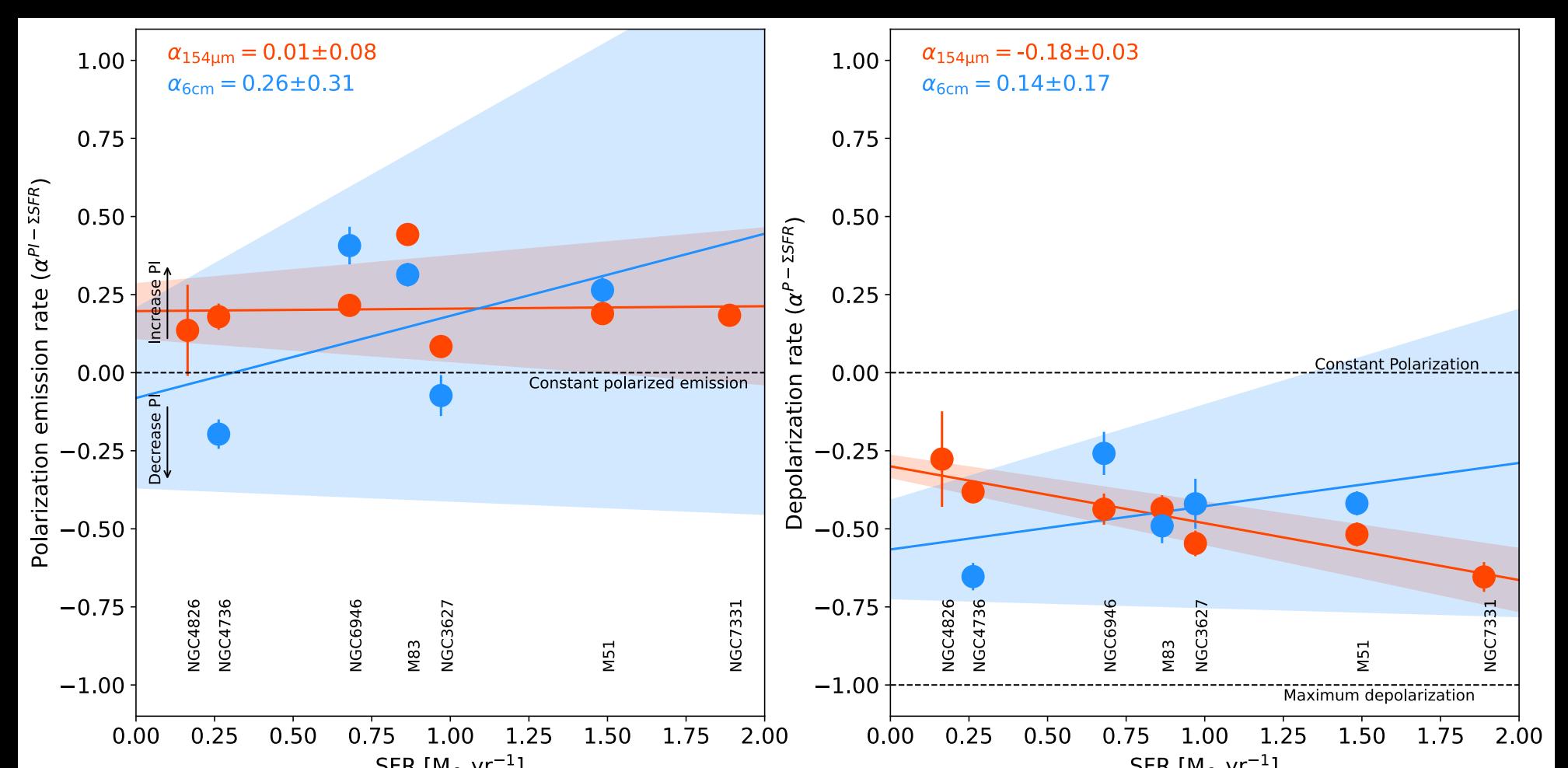


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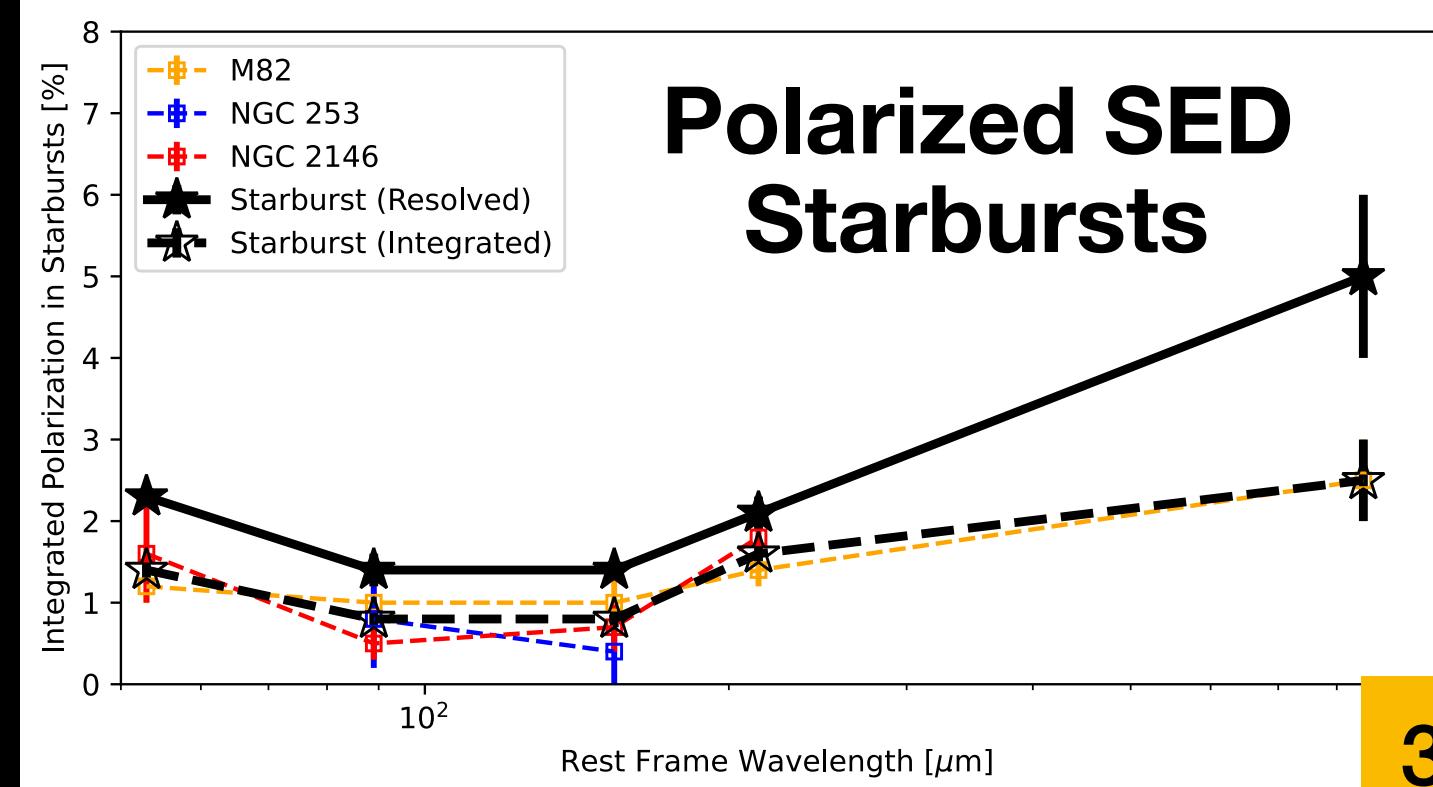


- FIR B-field seems more tightly related to the SF regions than the radio B-fields.
- FIR turbulent B-field arises from the injection of turbulent energy driven by SF in the dense ISM.



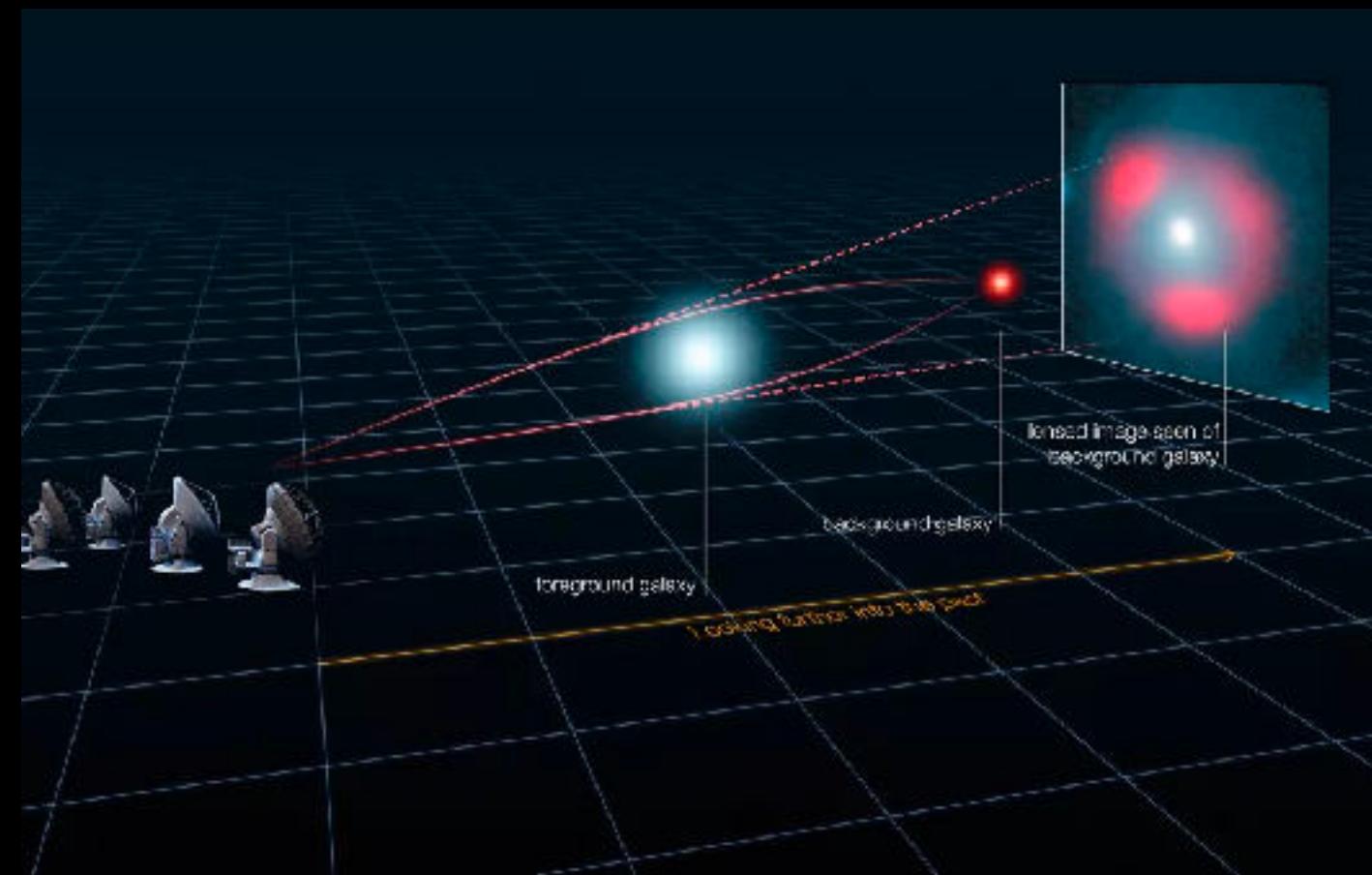
More at

<http://galmagfields.com/>



Near-Future: B-fields at high redshift using sub-mm polarimetry

Gravitationally lensed galaxies at high-redshift

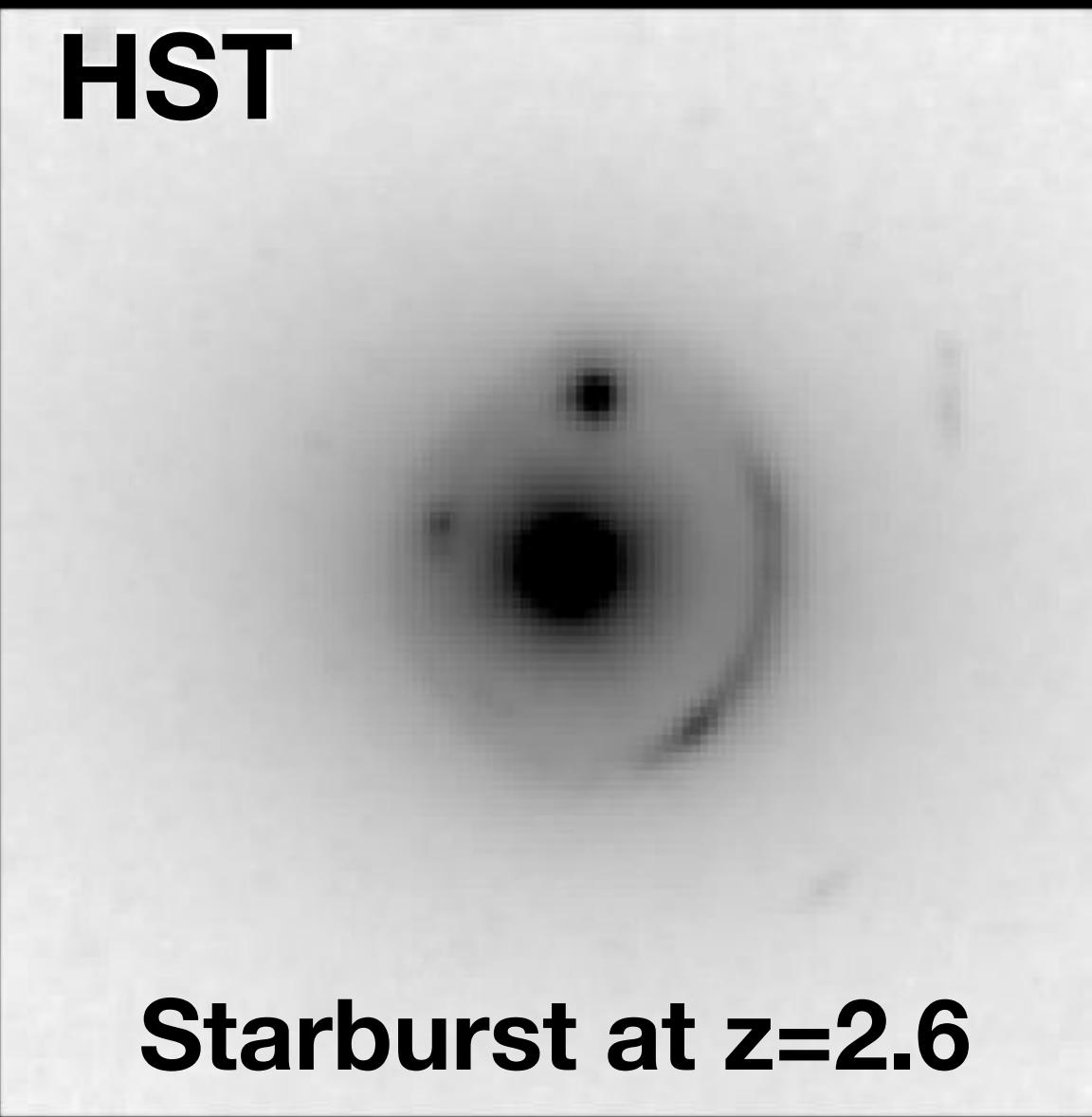


2 kpc-scale ordered B-field parallel to a fast rotating disk in a starburst at 3Gyr after Big Bang.

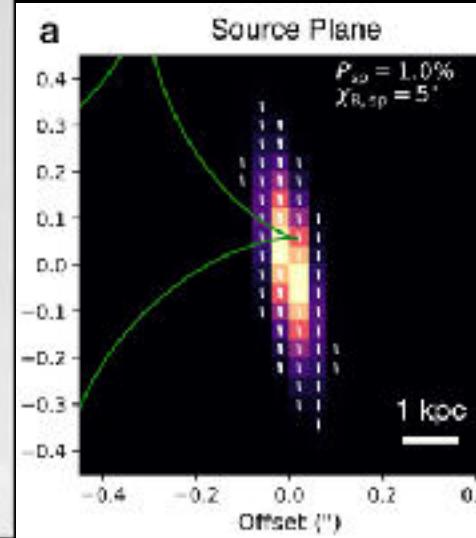
ALMA polarimetric observations

860 um (dust continuum polarization) at 0.5" resolution

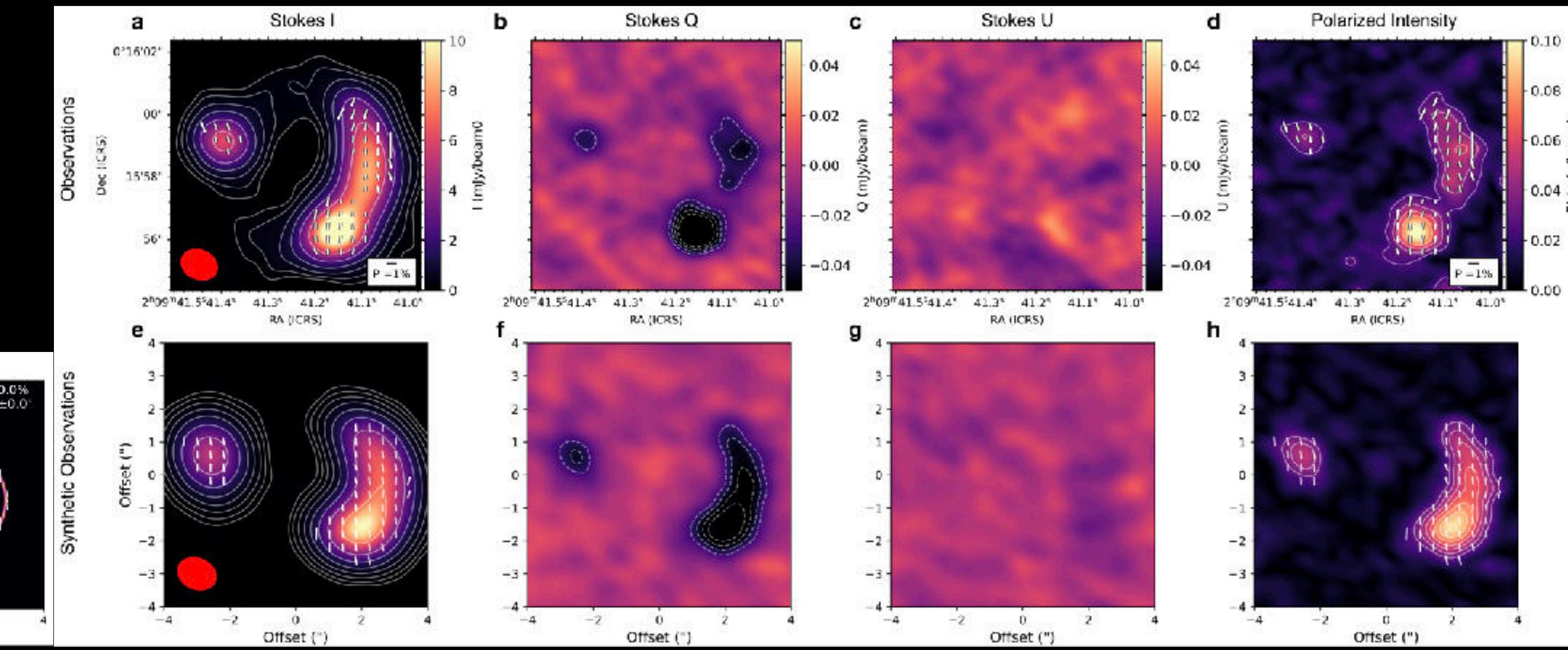
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Starburst at $z=2.6$



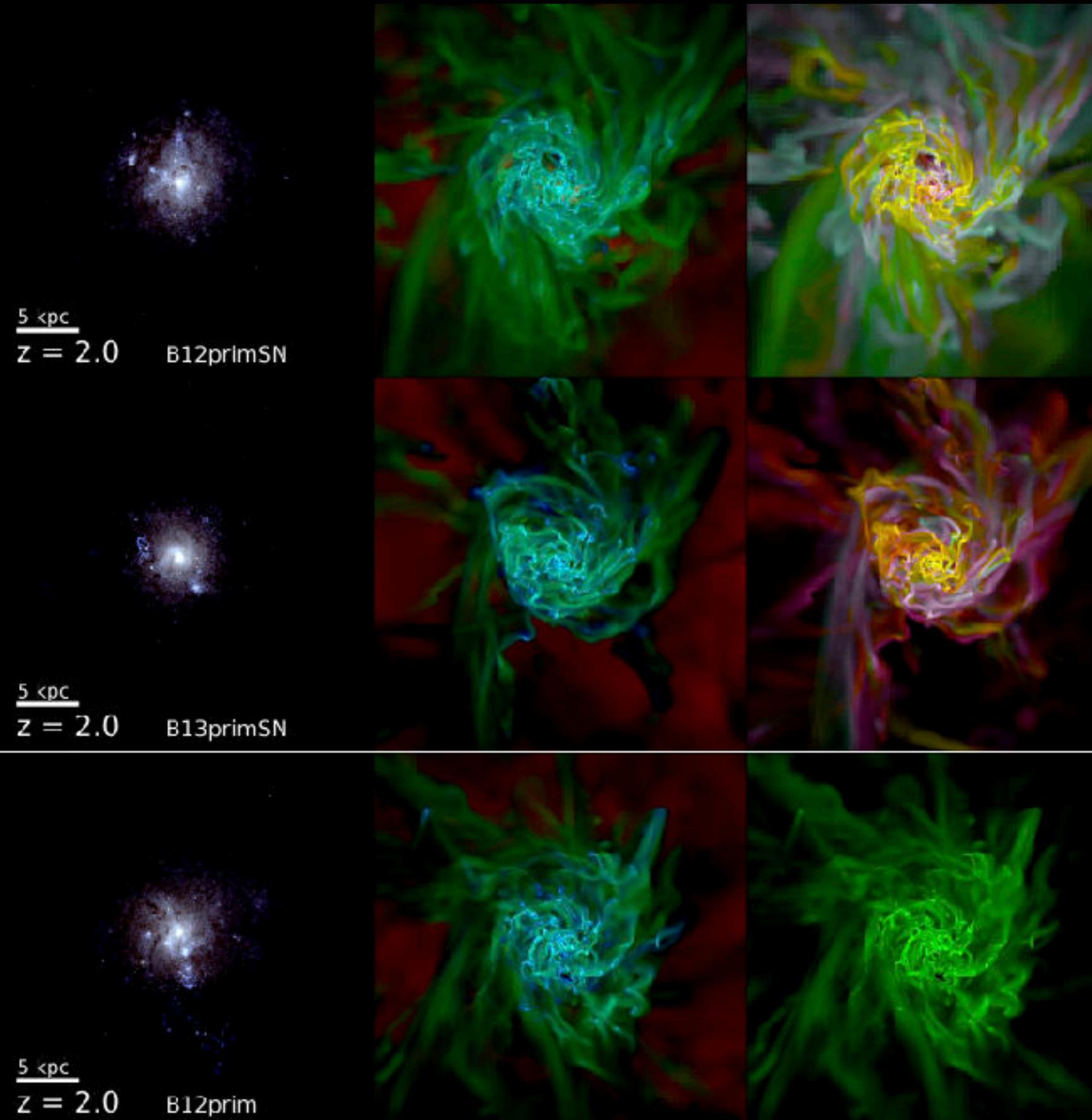
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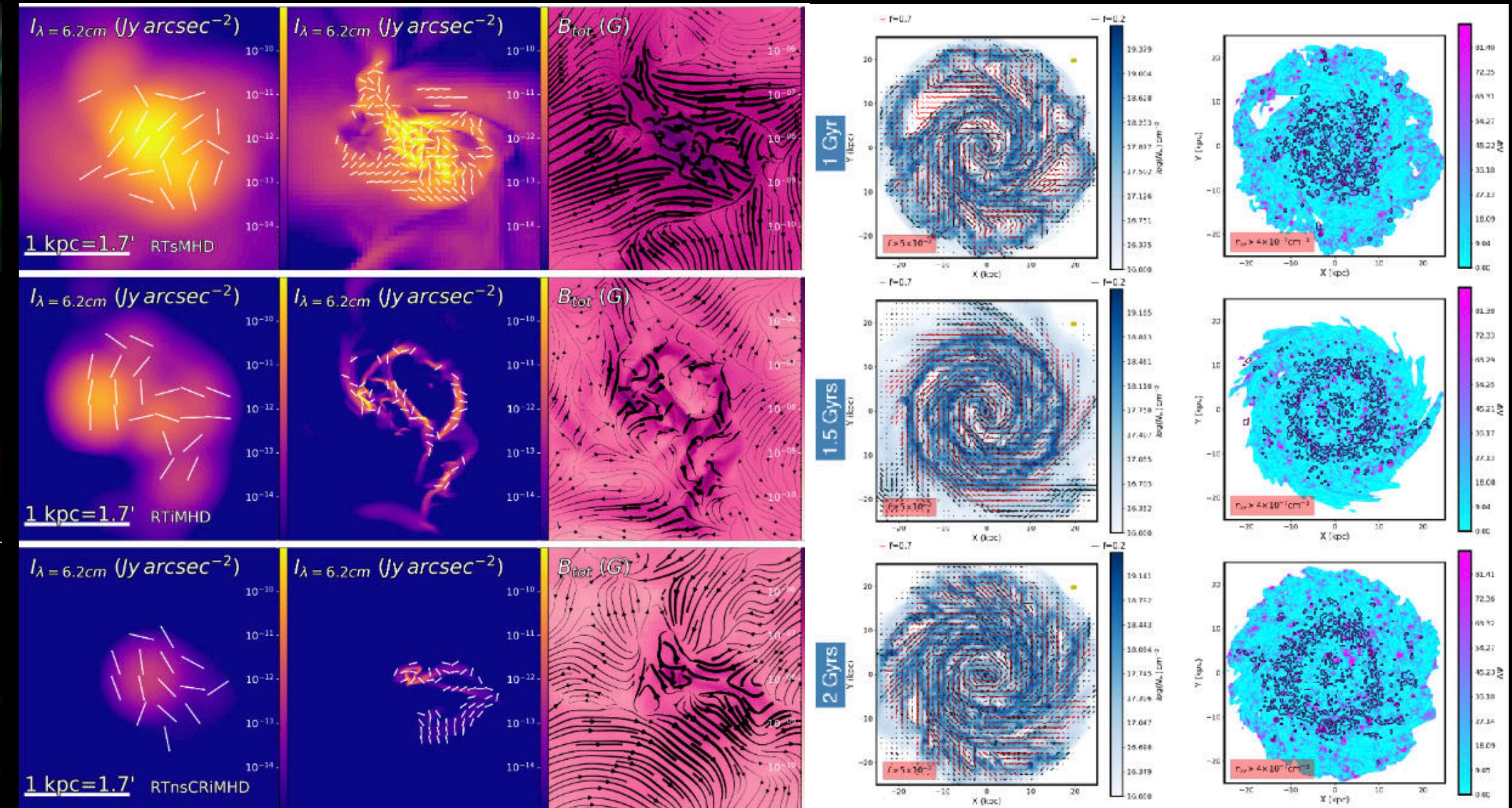
Gravitational lensing polarimetric model

Near-Future: MHD simulations of galaxies

RTCRMHD simulations



Synthetic observations at radio and FIR wavelengths

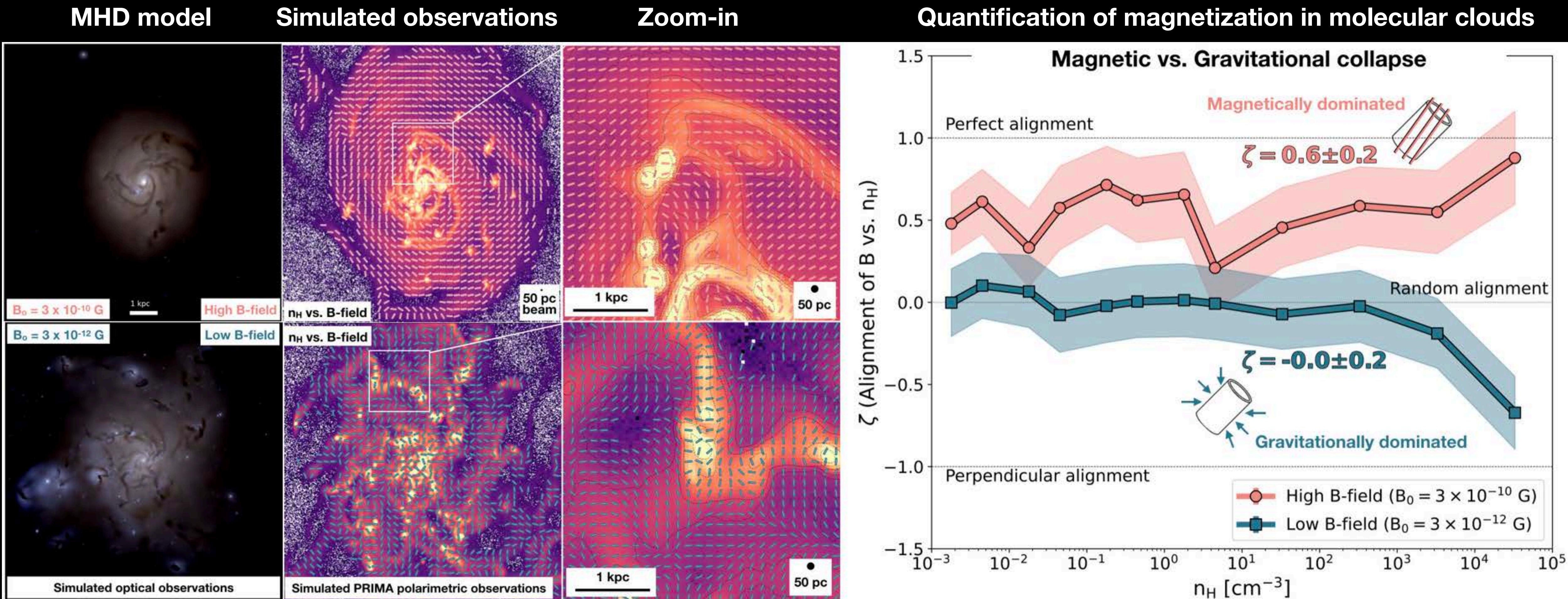


Martin-Alvarez, S. et al. (2020)

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Study how molecular clouds inherit their B-fields within the galactic environment



- MHD simulations with 10 pc spatial resolution (Martin-Alvarez et al. 2022).
- Simulated observations at 50 pc spatial resolution as observed with PRIMA within 1h on-source time.
- B-field orientation vs. density gradients for a strong and a weak B-field.

THE COSMIC HISTORY OF THE B-FIELDS IN GALAXY EVOLUTION USING FIR/SUB-MM POLARIMETRY

Mergers



Lopez-Rodriguez 2022c



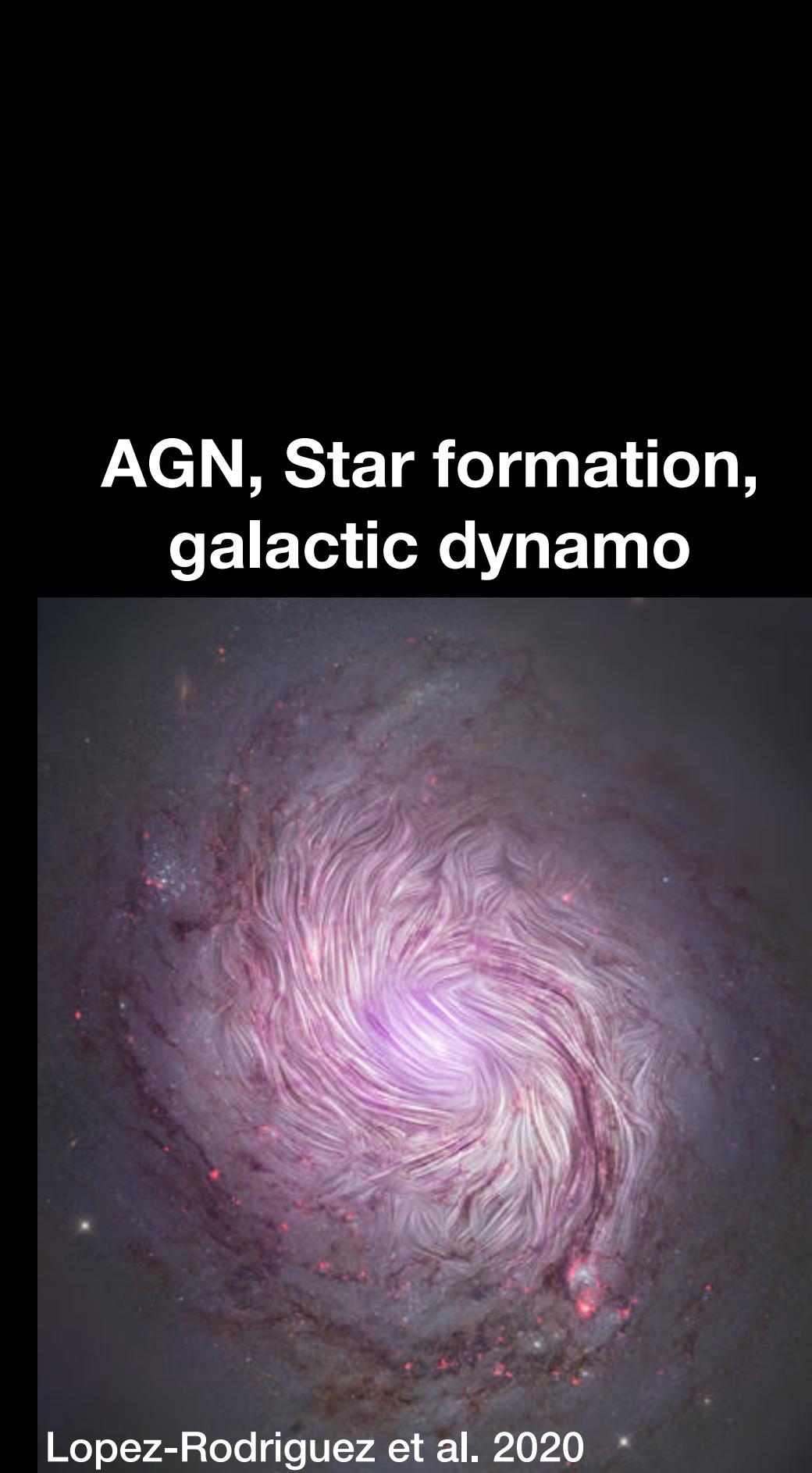
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- How did the evolution of galaxies in mergers affect magnetic fields?
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- How has the magnetic field been amplified by interaction/SF in galaxies?
- What is the structure of the magnetic field around an active nucleus?