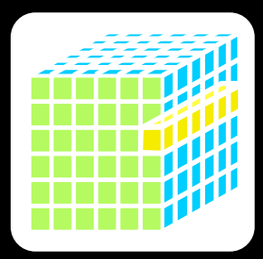
Seamless Data Sharing & High-Dimensional Visualization in Astronomy (and Beyond)



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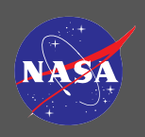

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smart suggestions about related information

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High-Dimensional (interactive) Visualizaton

Look At: Sky

Imagery: Digitized Sky Survey (Color)

Image Crossfade

Tracking Andromeda Galaxy

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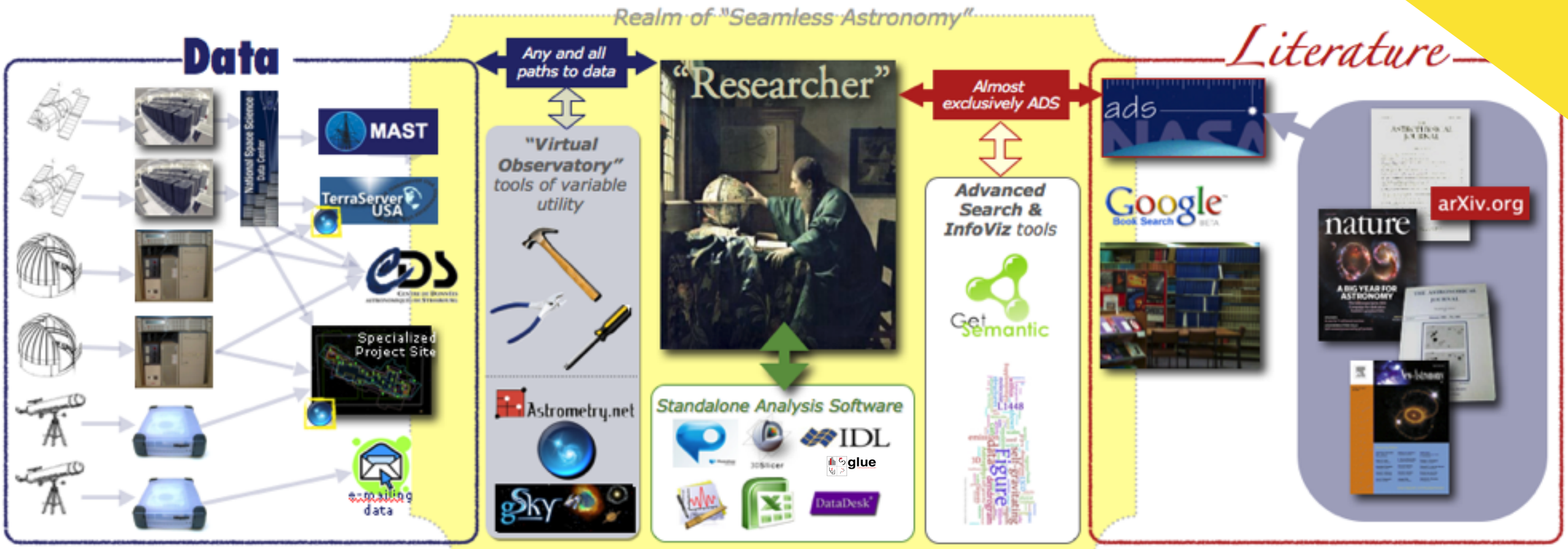

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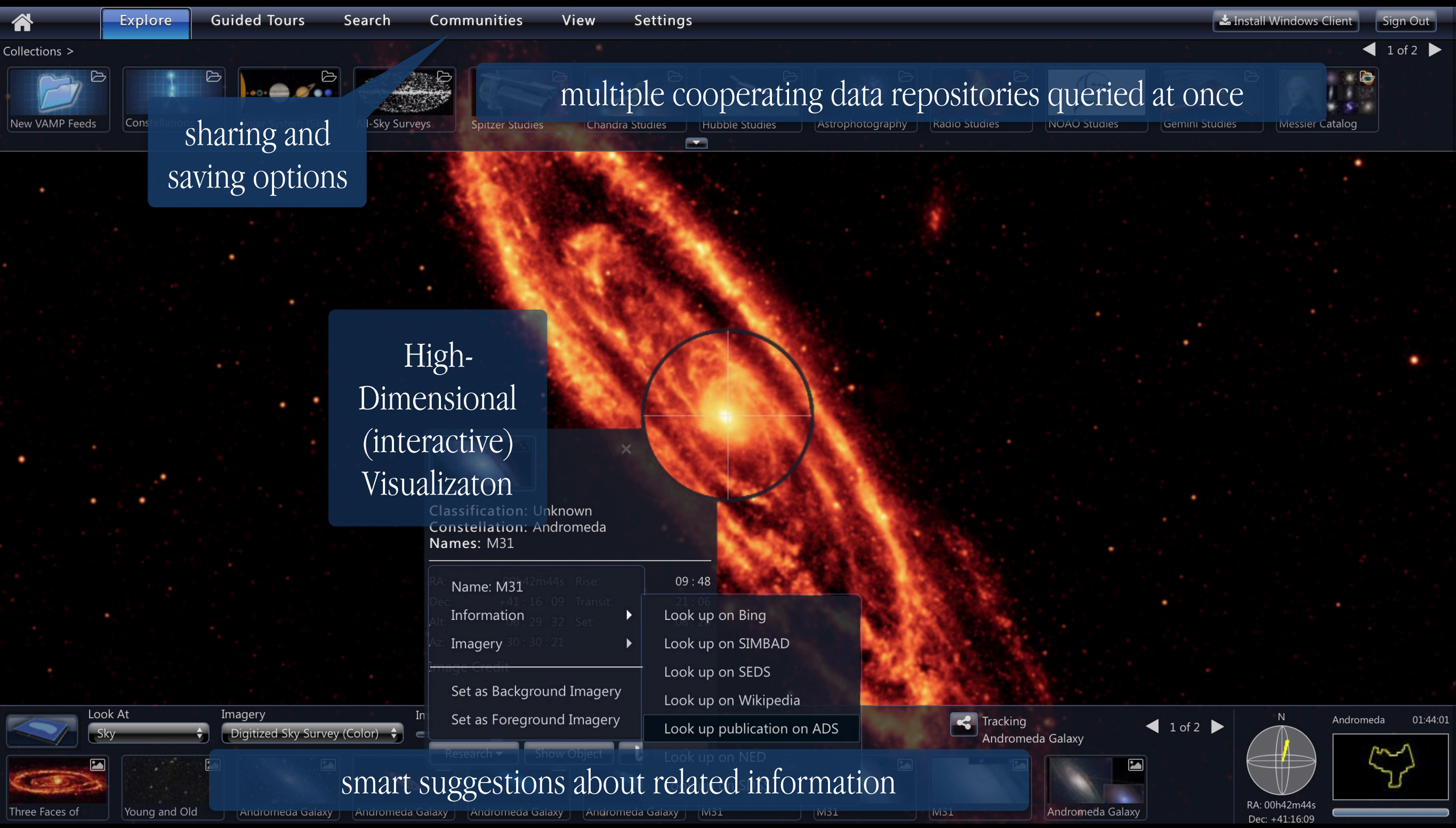

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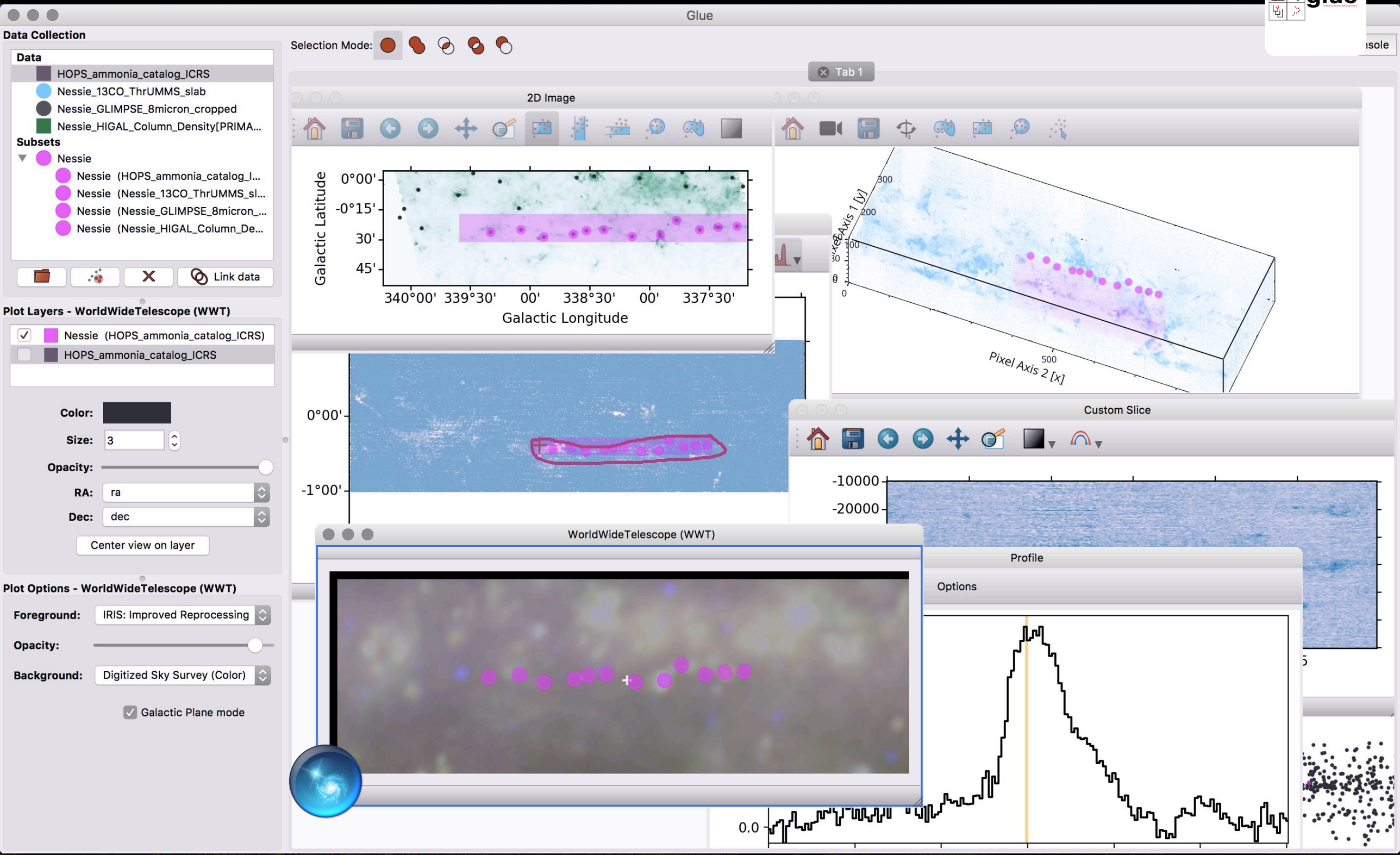

glueing datasets

glueing data displays

glueing tools

your handout

glue

multidimensional data exploration

built-in

standard data loaders

glueing datasets

Data File 1

Data File 2

define new variables, import/export insights, interactive plots for the web, save state, all from GUI

glueing data displays

standard 1D, 2D & 3D plots

plug-in

custom data loaders

Data File N

link data files' attributes

highlight live or algorithmic selections with Boolean logic

glueing tools

custom buttons, features

custom plots

?

+options

user config.py file (loaders, colors, plot types, +)

IP[y]:

access to all matplotlib functions through built-in IPython terminal

jupyter

run & interact with glue from Jupyter notebook & other tools

glueviz.org

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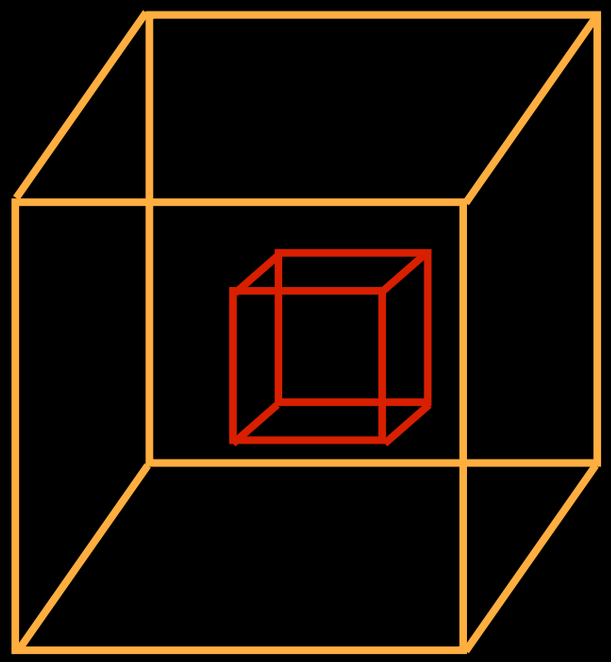

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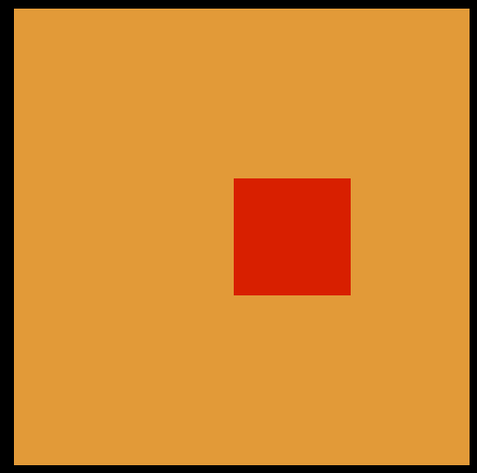

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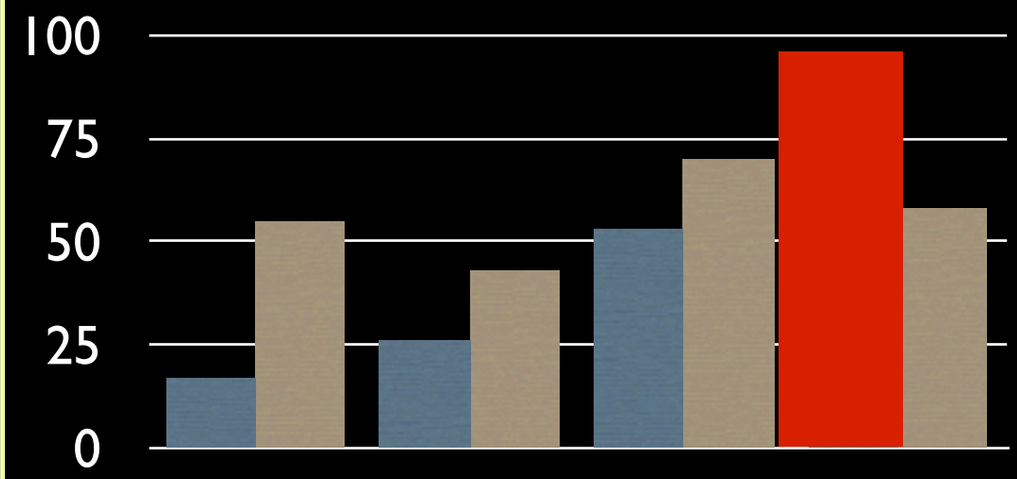

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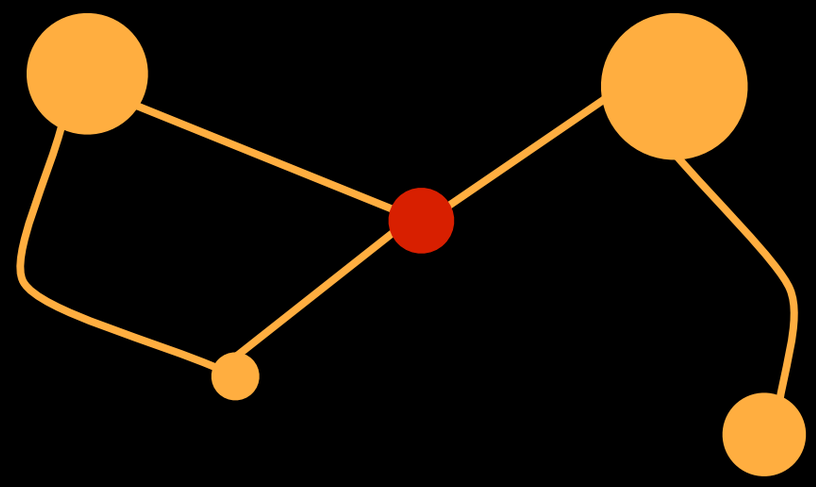

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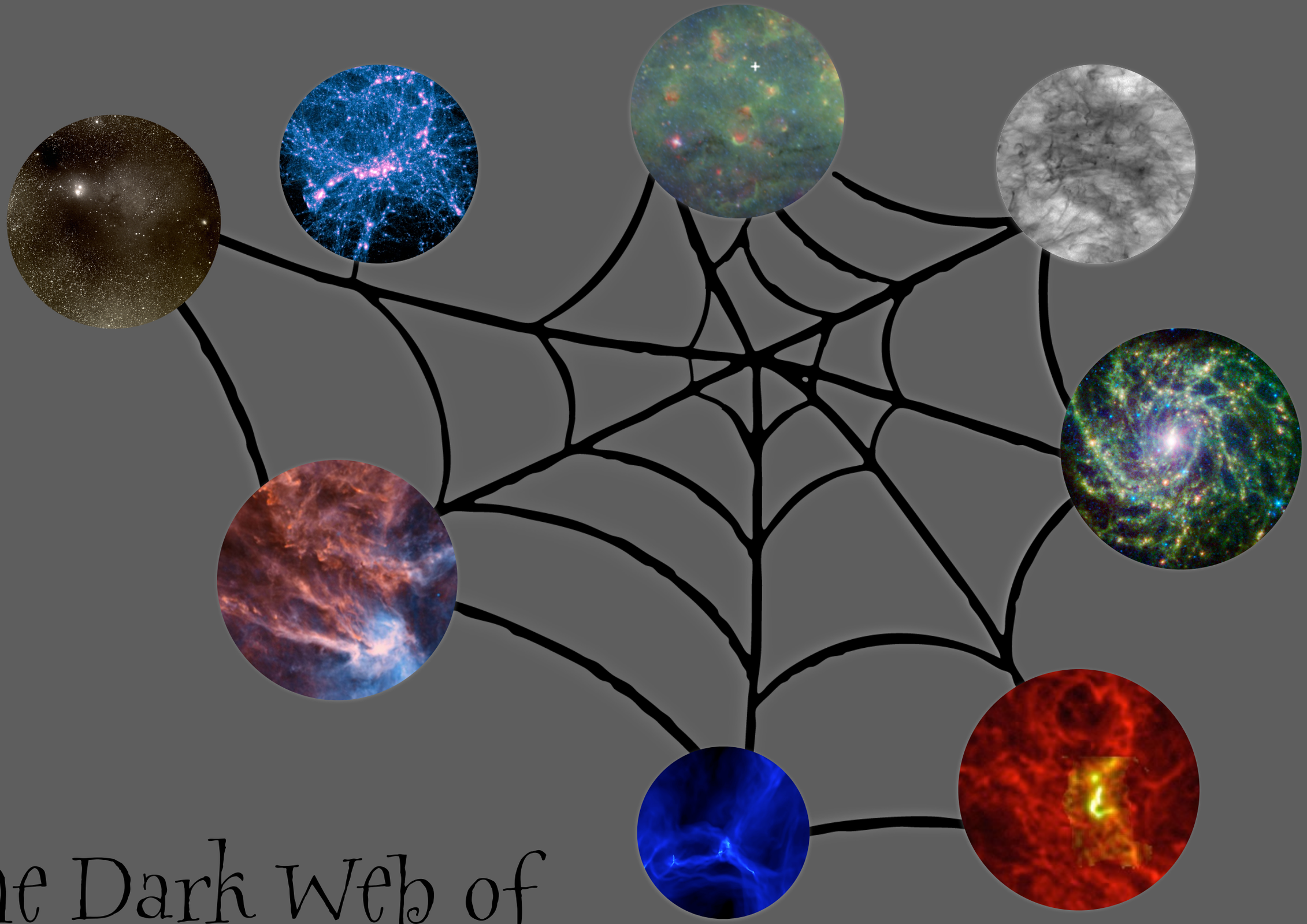

The Dark Web of Star Formation

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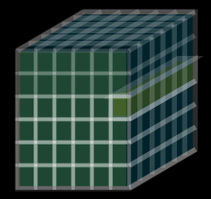
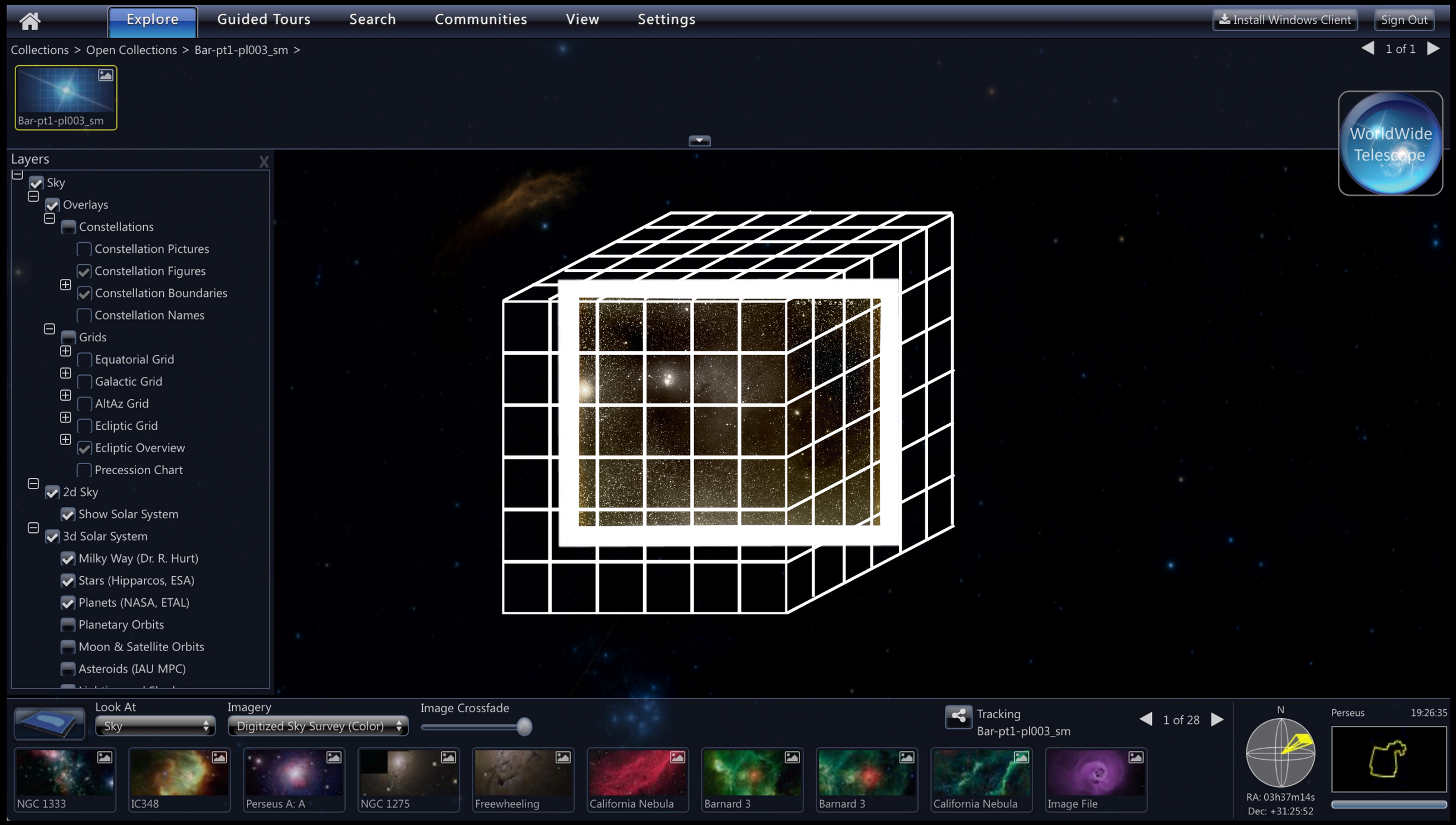
“Data, Dimensions, Display”





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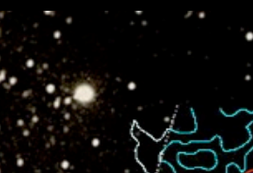

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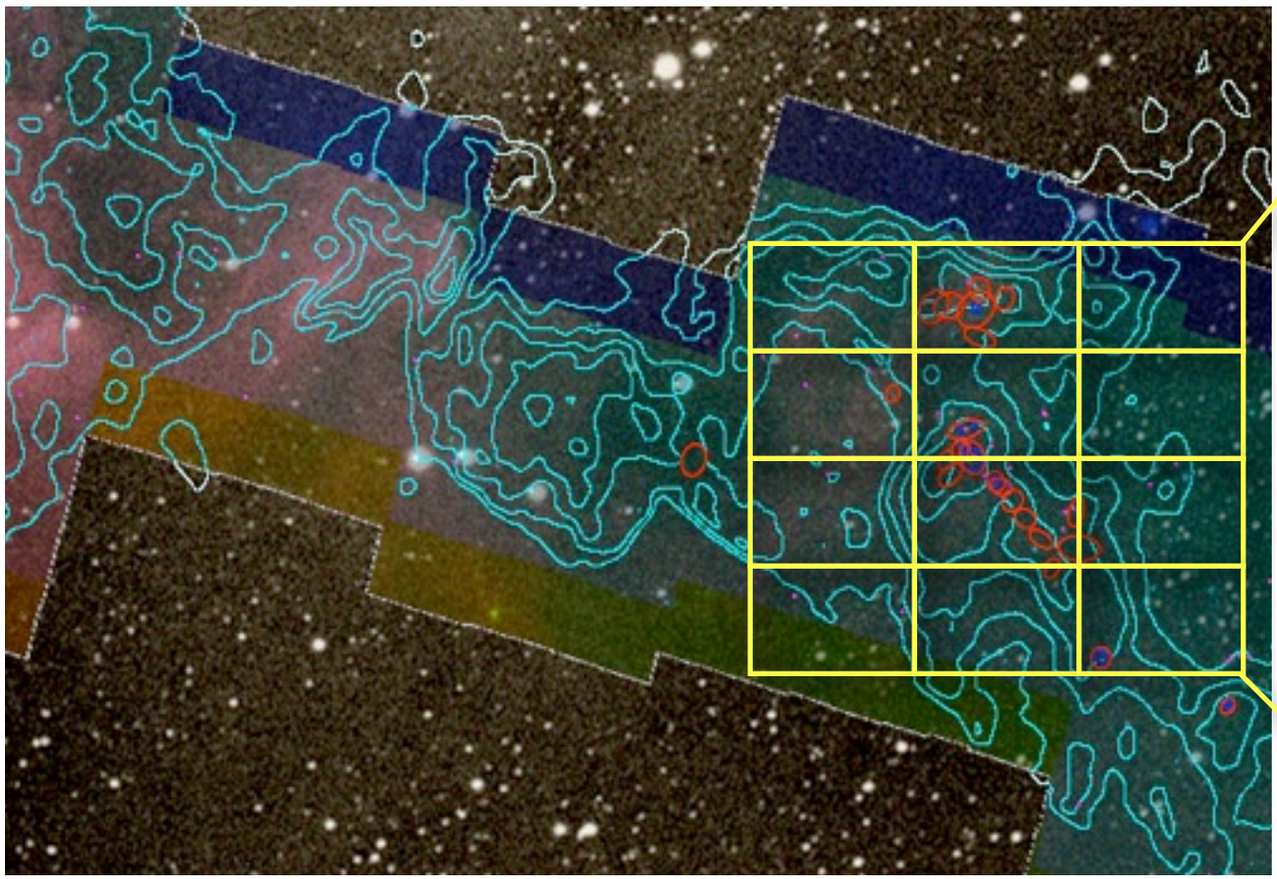
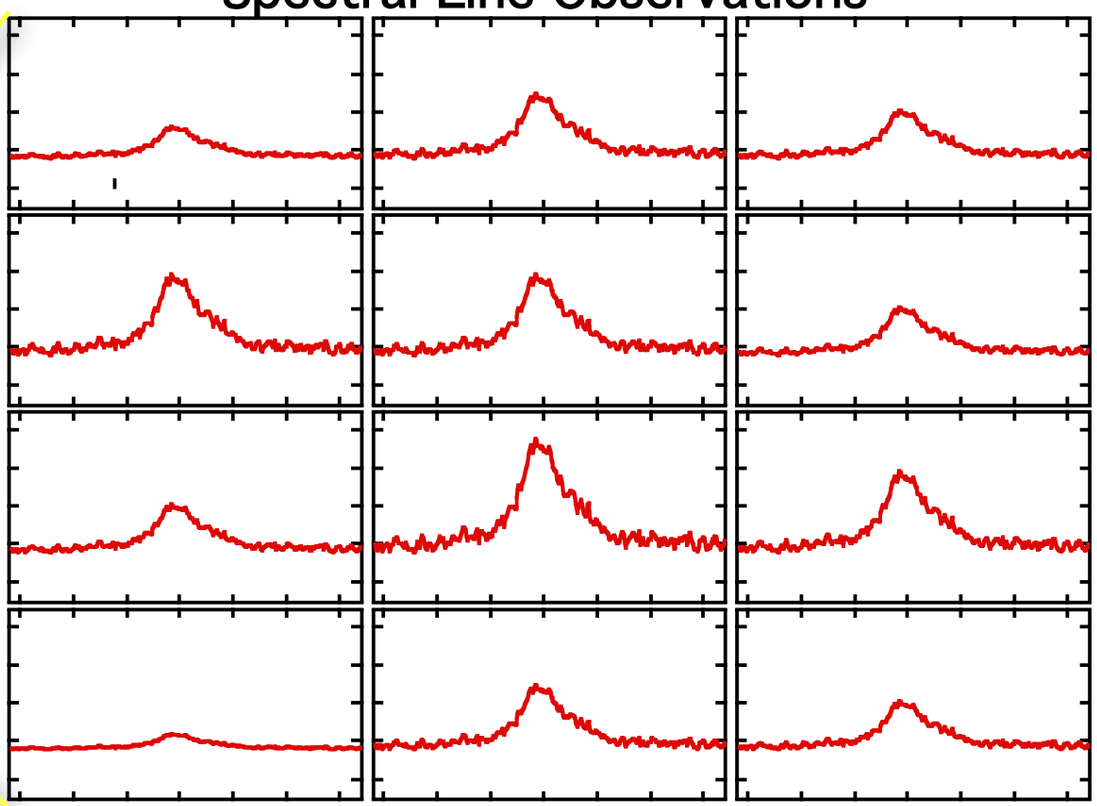
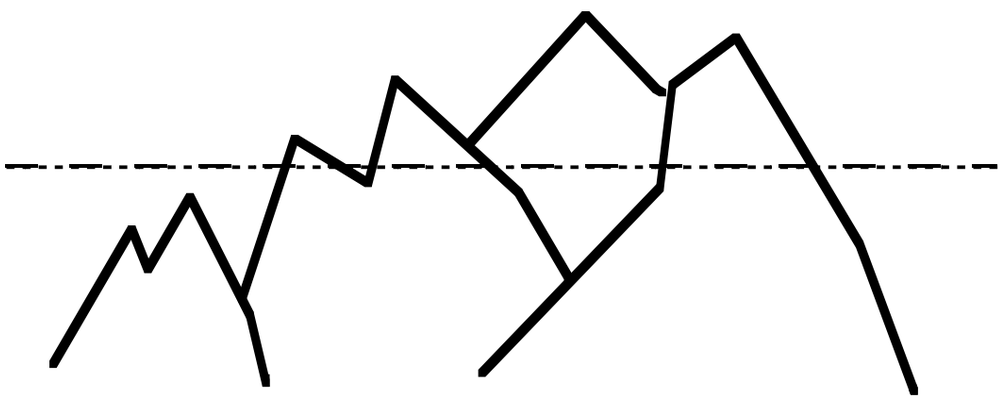






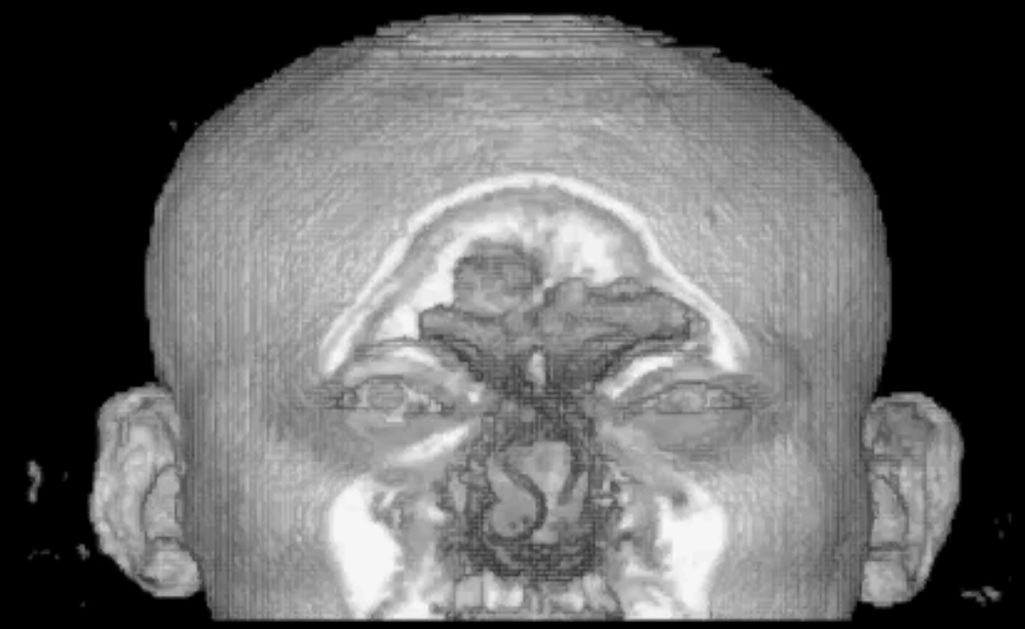
Mountain Range

No loss of information

Loss of 1 dimension

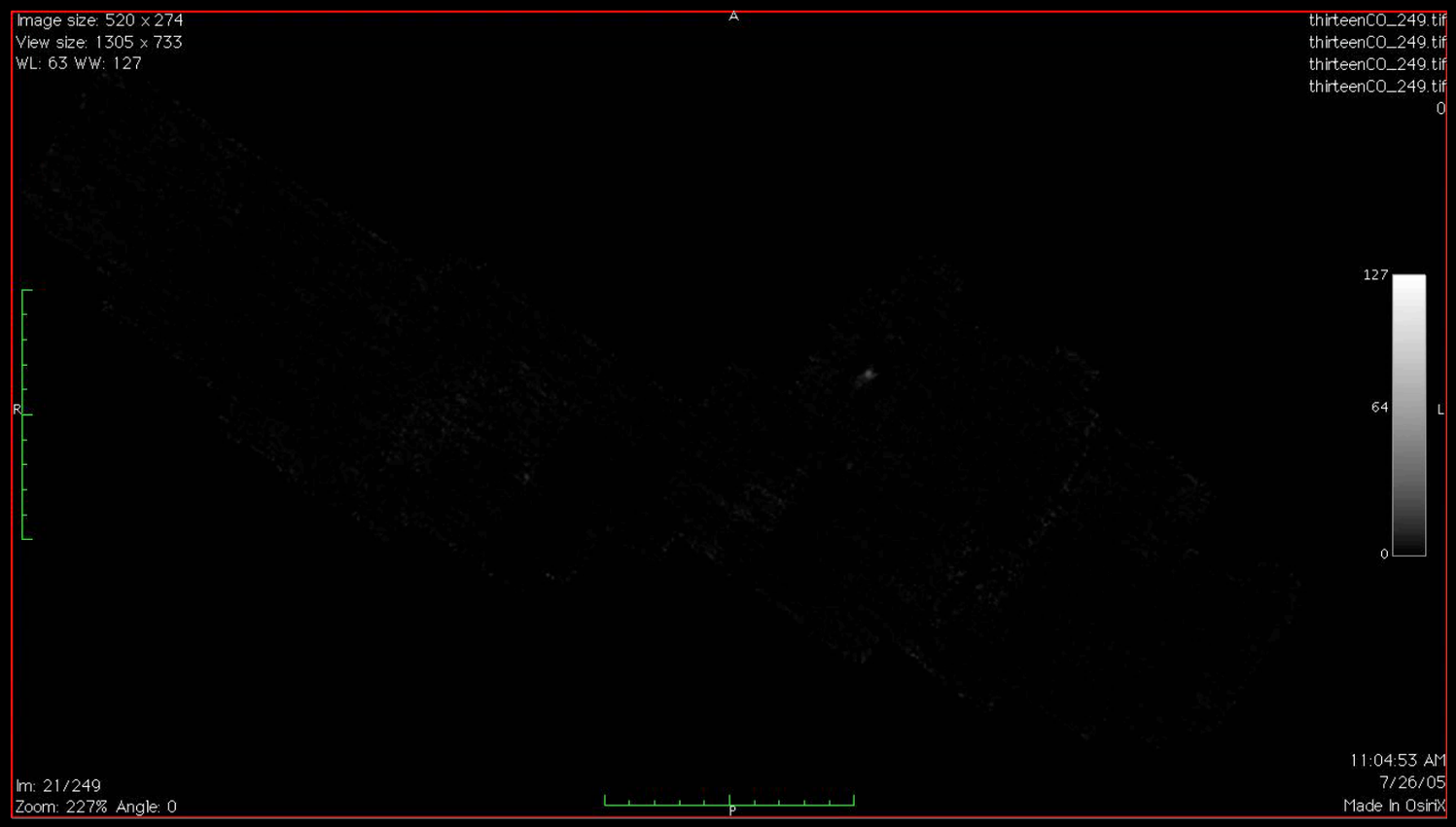
“AstronomicalMedicine”

“KEITH”



“z” is depth into head

“PERSEUS”



“z” is line-of-sight velocity

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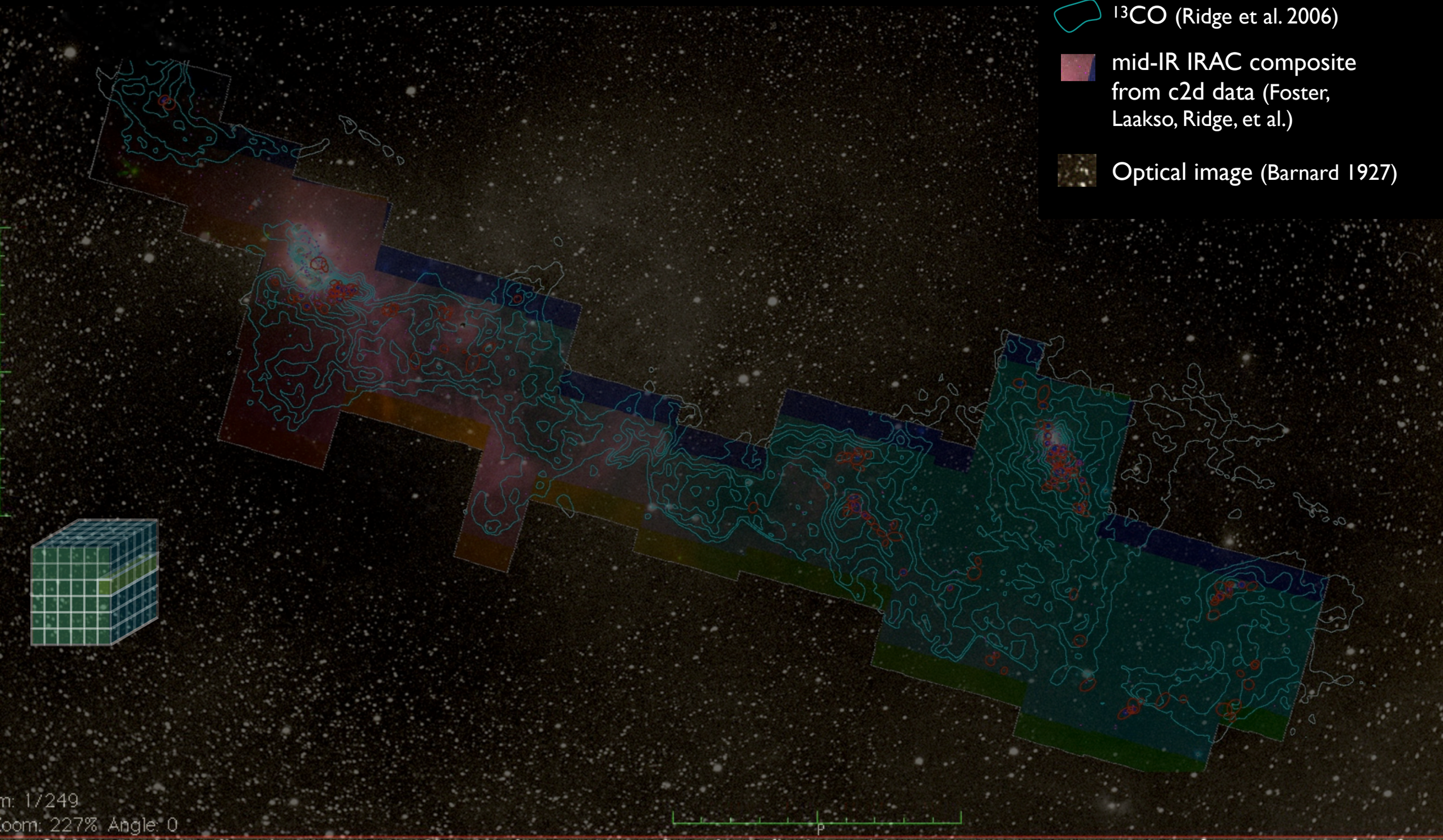

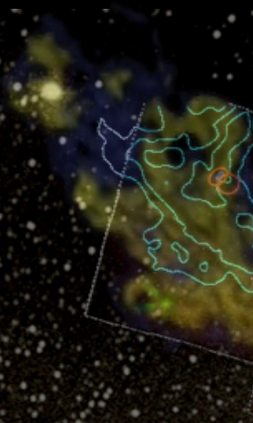

3D Viz made with VolView

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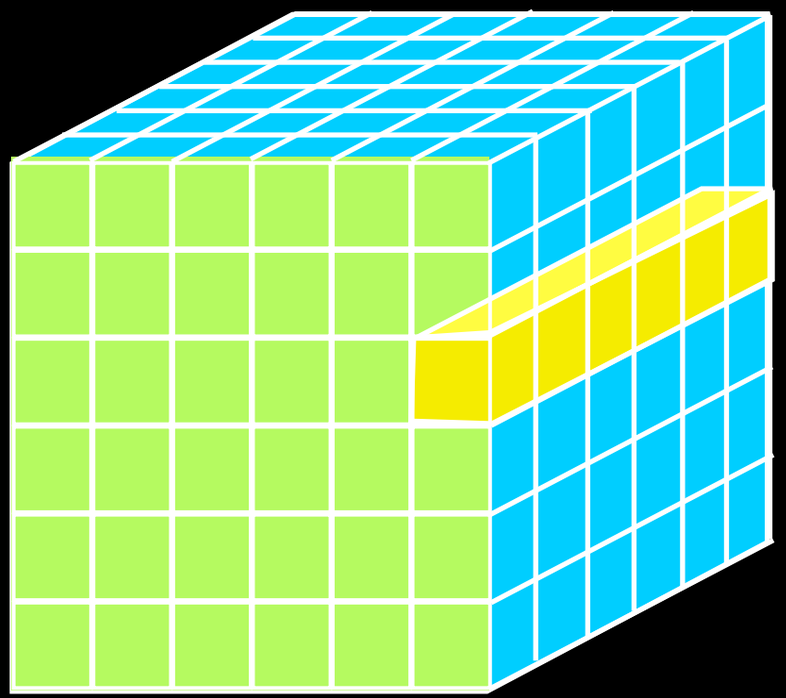
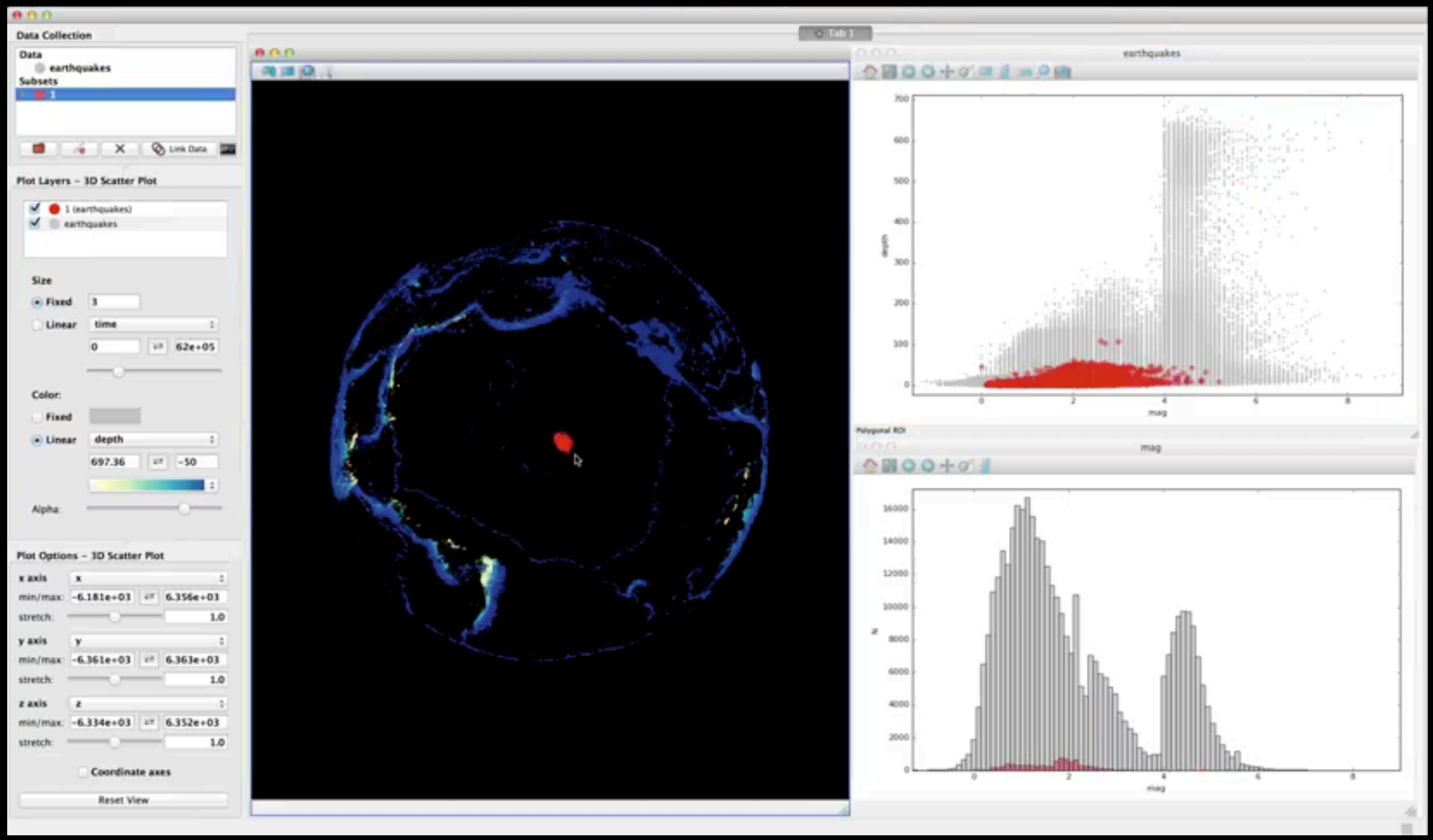


Data, Dimensions, Display

1D: Columns = “Spectra”, “SEDs” or “Time Series”
2D: Faces or Slices = “Images”
3D: Volumes = “3D Renderings”, “2D Movies”
4D: Time Series of Volumes = “3D Movies”

Linked Views of High-dimensional Data (in Python)

glue



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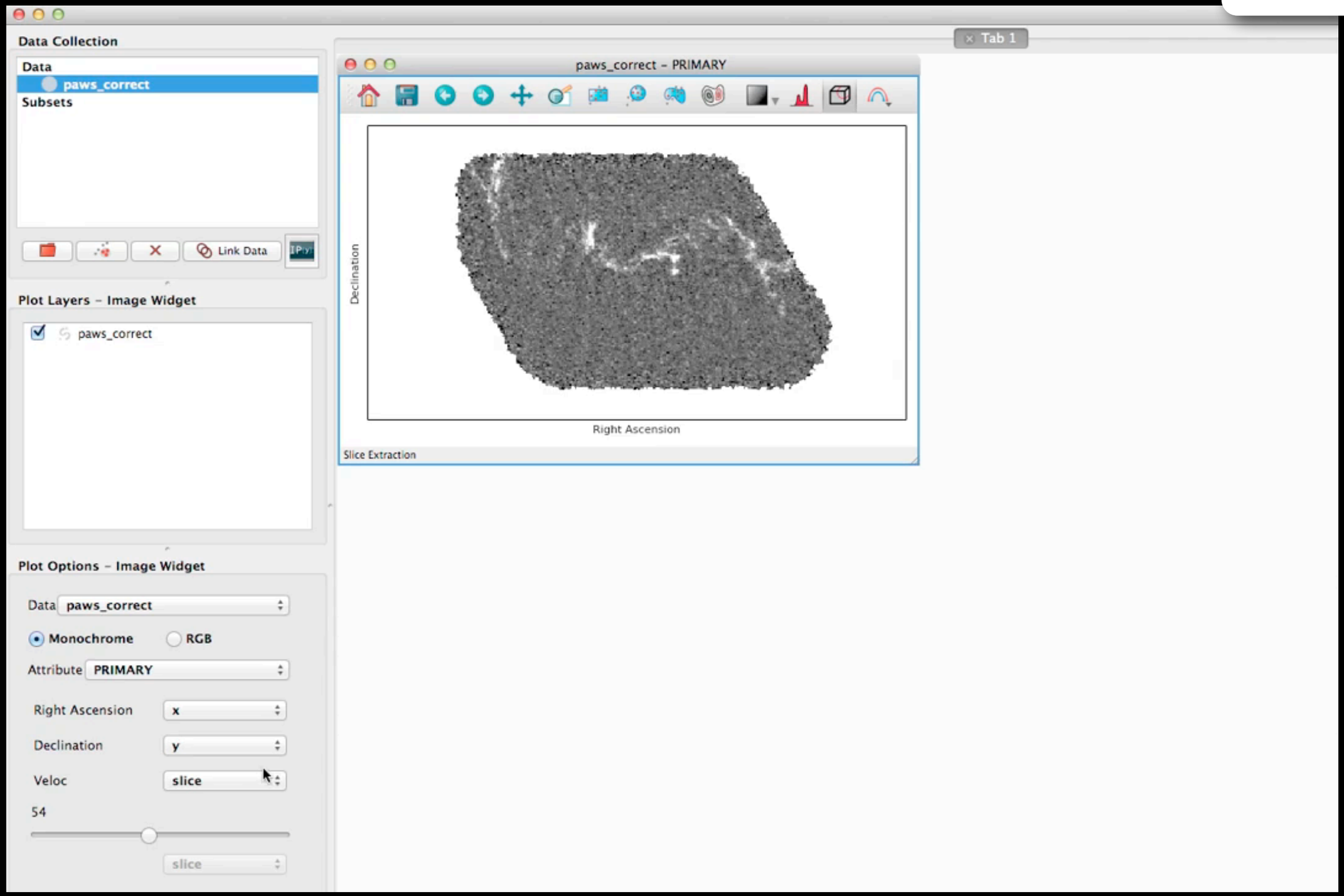

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Data Collection

Selection Mode:

View Console

−50.0 −46.7 −43.3 −40.0 −36.7 −33.3 −30.0

V_{LSR} (km s^{-1})

[Z_0=25.0 pc, R_0=8.5 kpc, Θ_0=220 km/s]

no tilt of plane

for more on the "Skeleton" of the Milky Way
see Goodman et al. 2014, Zucker et al. 2015, 2017

Galactic Latitude (b)

1.0 0.5 0.0 −0.5 −1.0

340 338 336 334

Galactic Longitude (l)

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Data Collection

Data
- Nessie_HIGAL_Column_Density[PRIMARY]
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Subsets
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Plot Options

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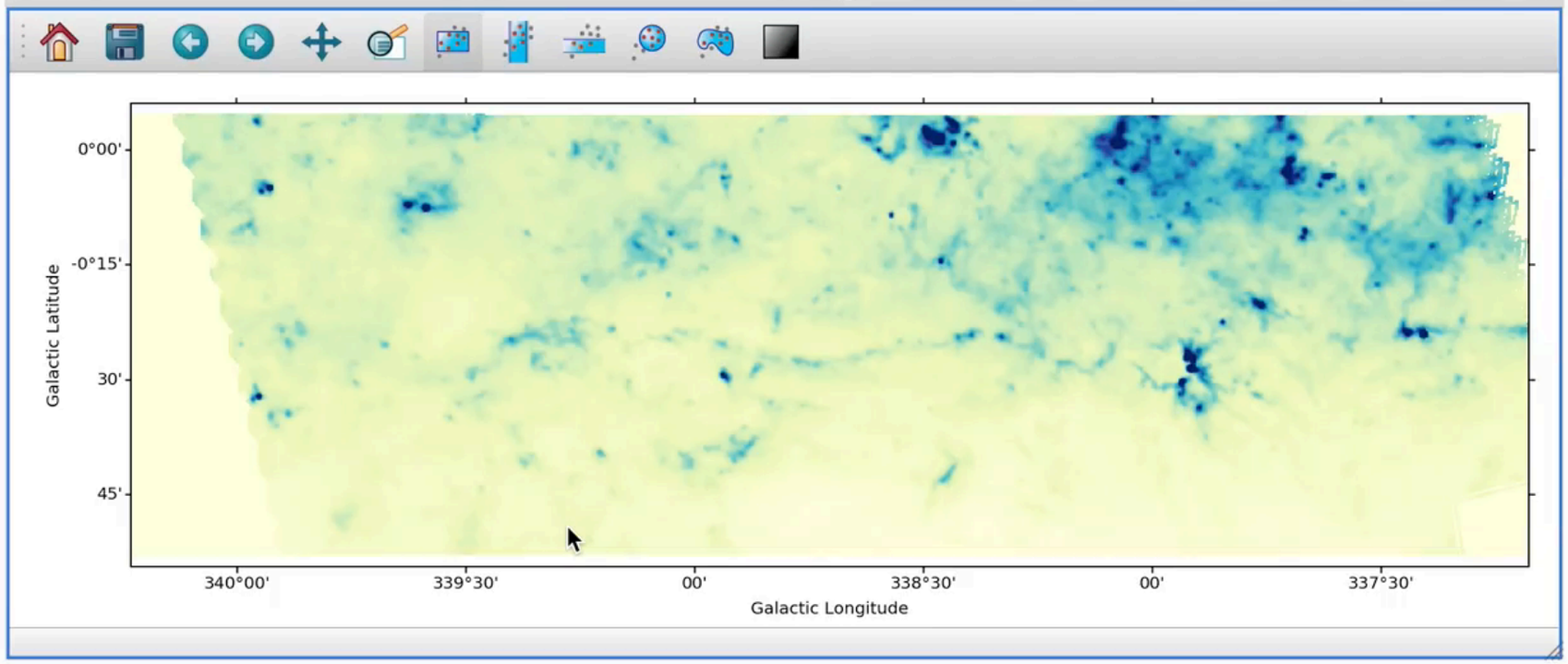

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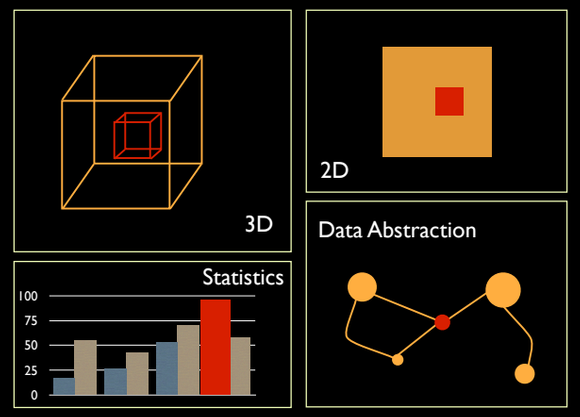

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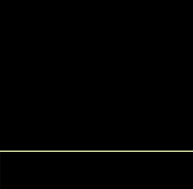

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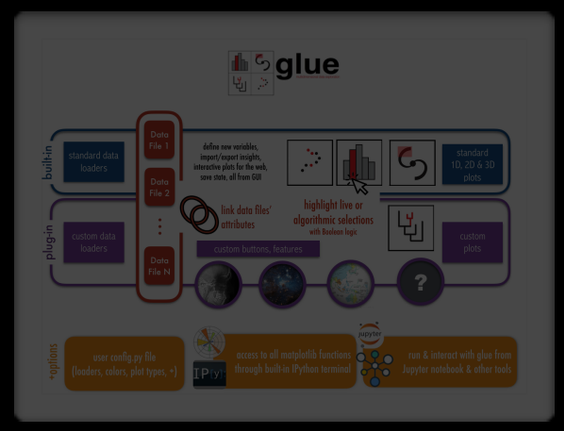

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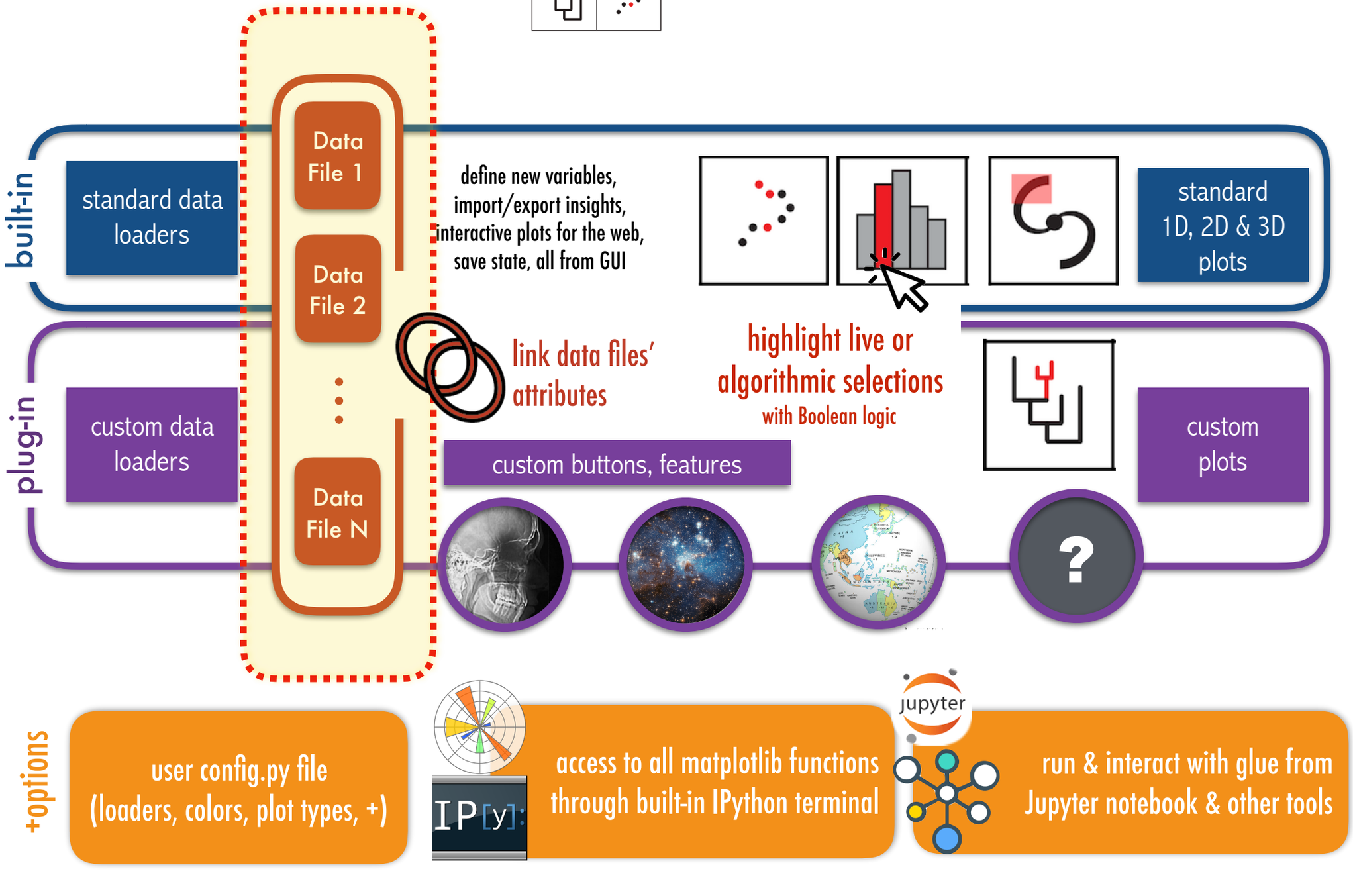

glueviz.org

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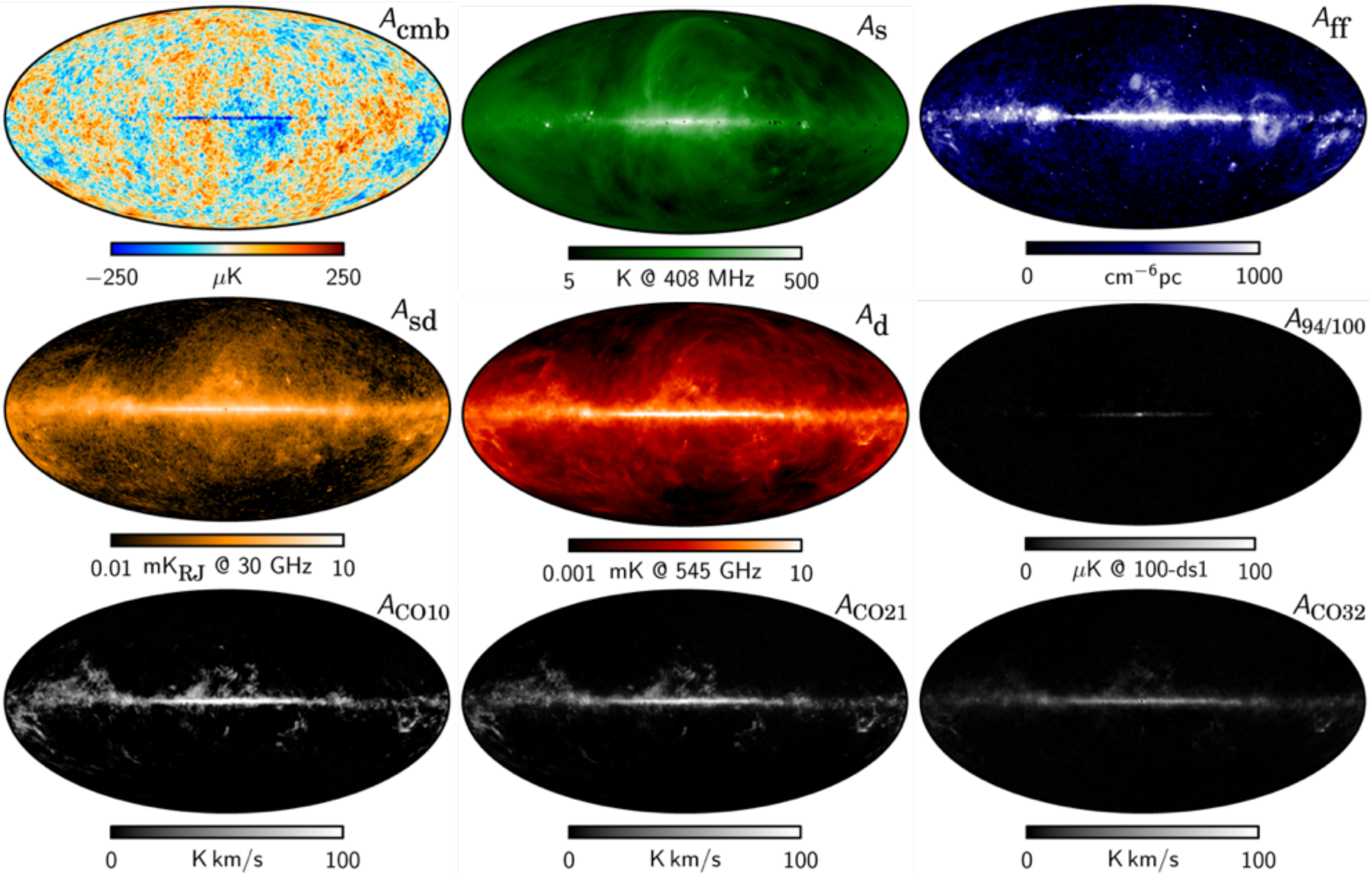

Temperature Foreground amplitudes from Commander, Planck Data [Feb 2015]

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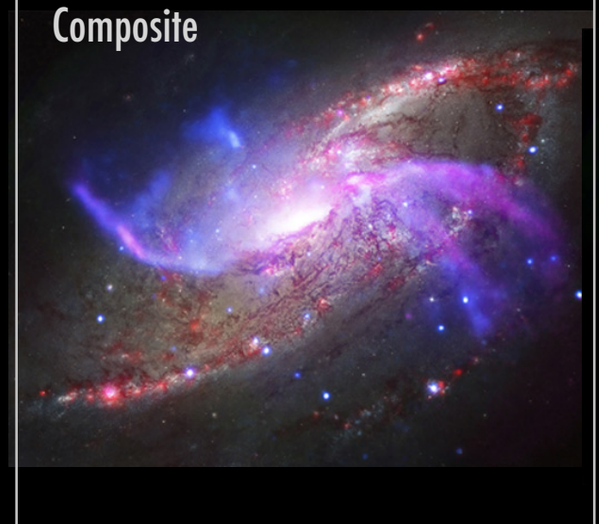

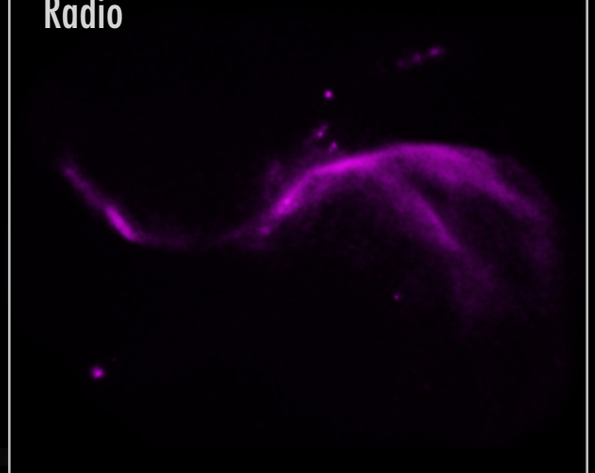

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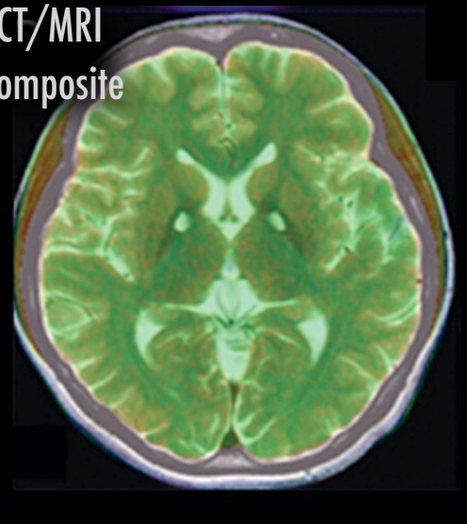

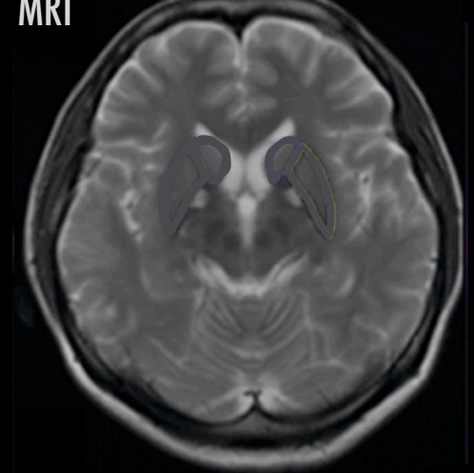

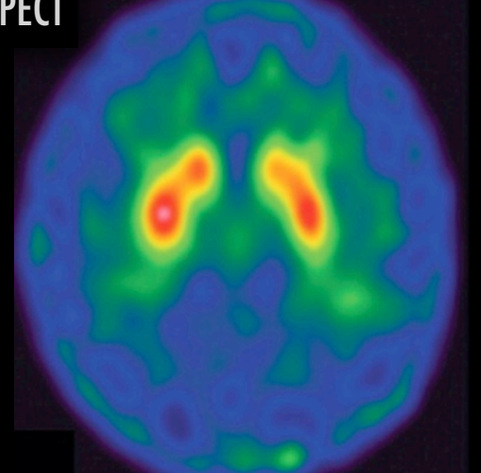

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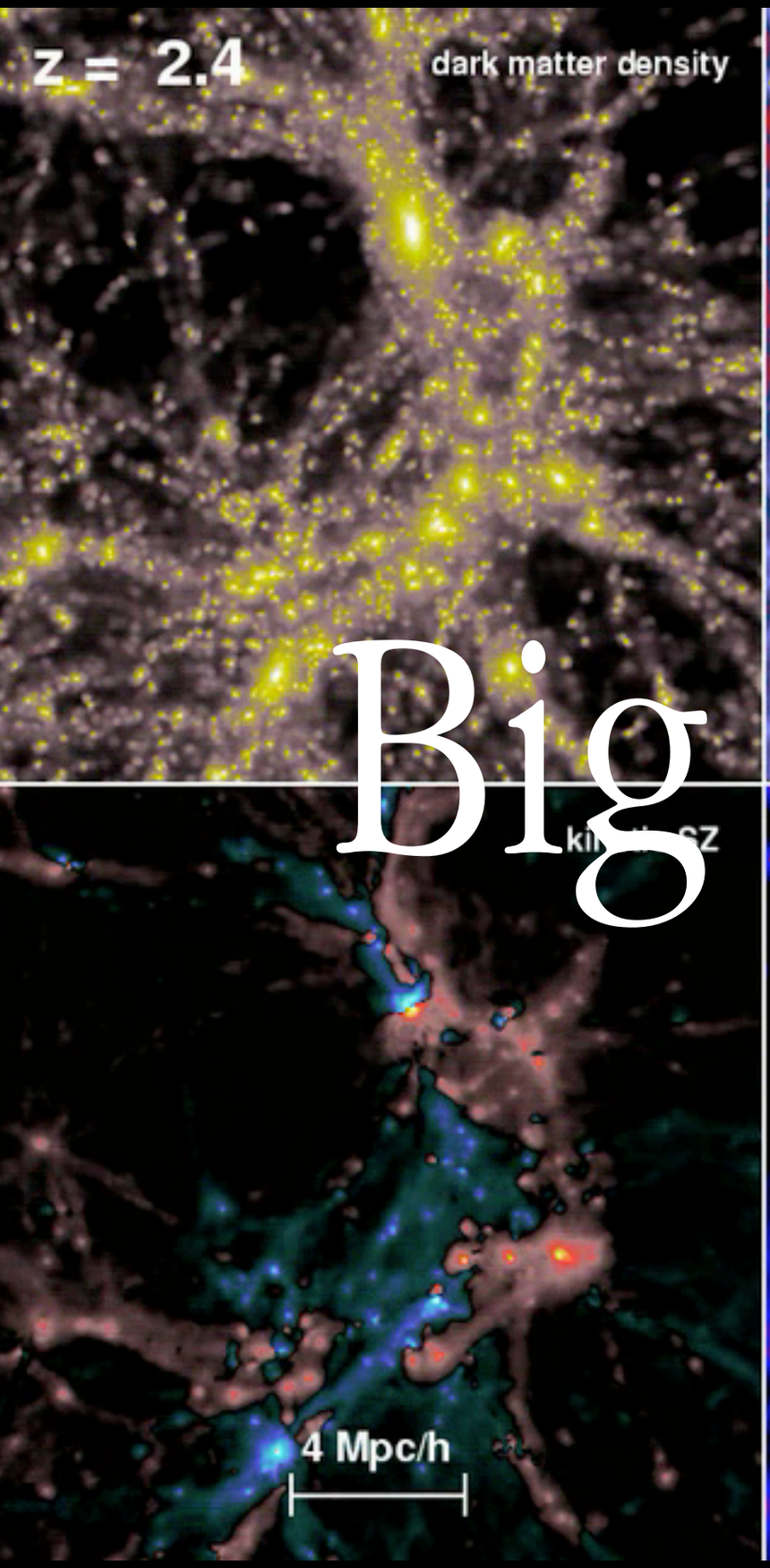

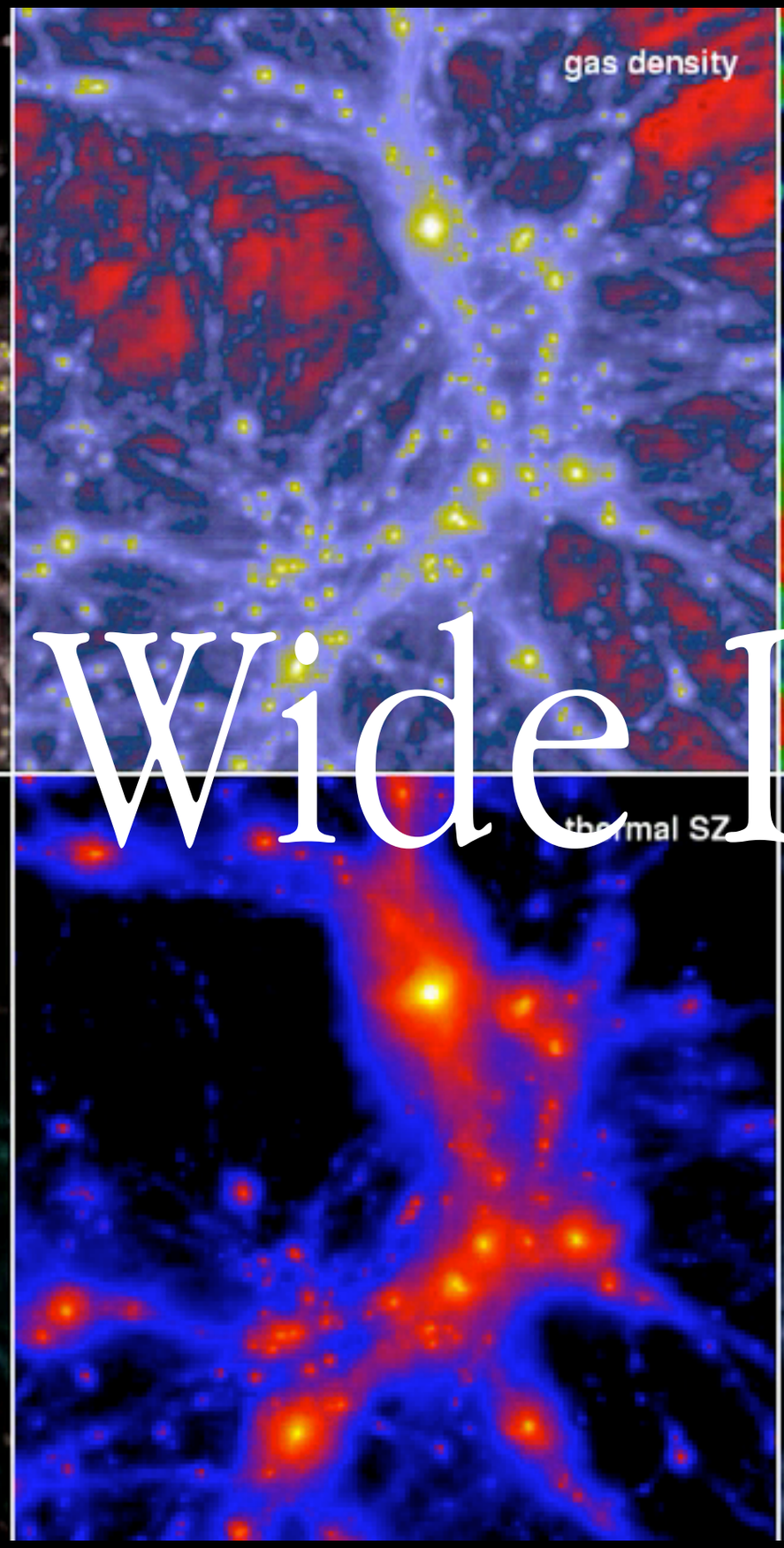

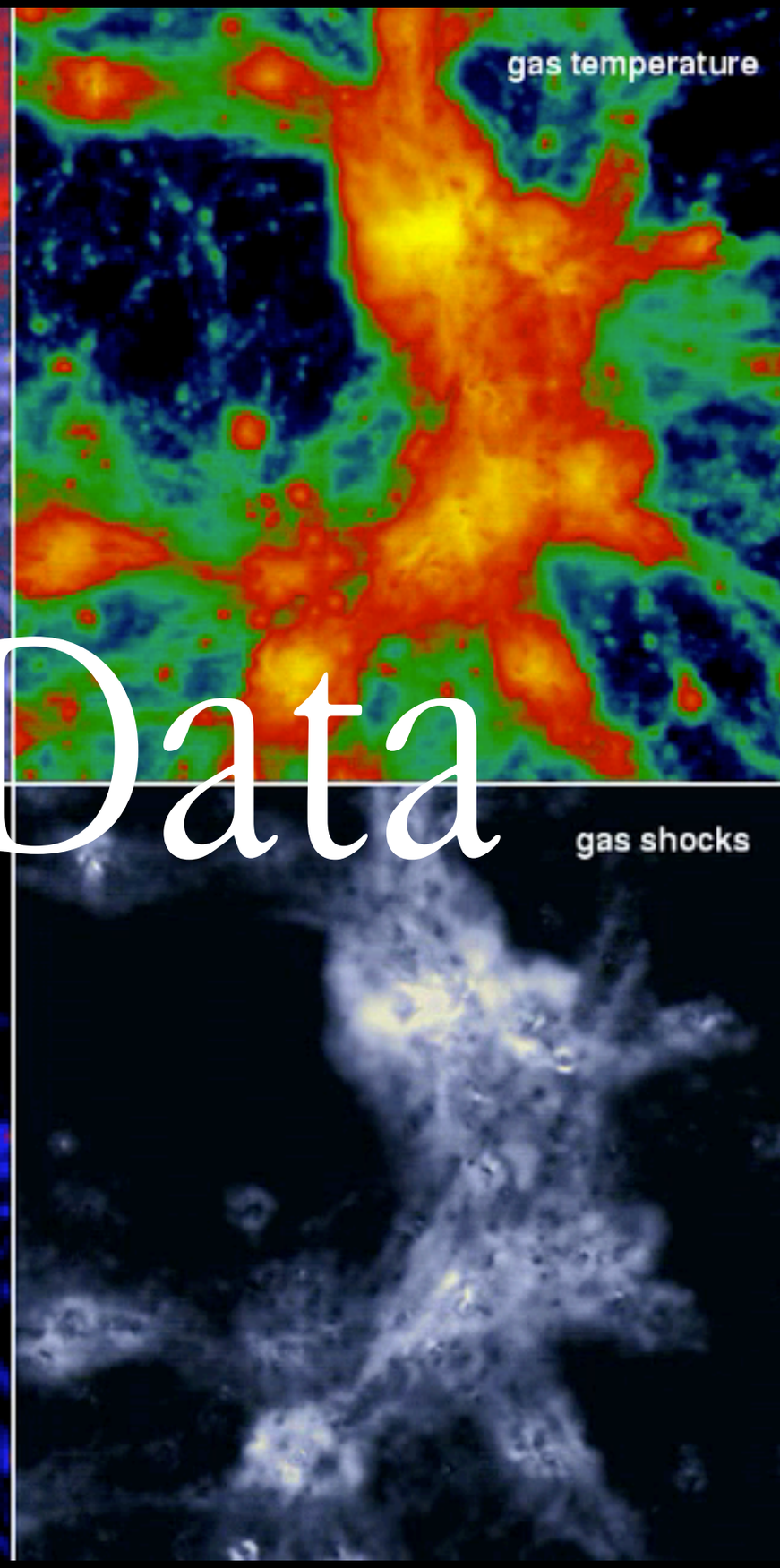

Big Wide Data

Movie: Volker Springel, formation of a cluster of galaxies. Millenium Simulation requires 25TB for output.

glue

multidimensional data exploration

built-in

plug-in

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datasets

data displays

tools

standard data loaders

Data File 1

Data File 2

Data File N

define new variables, import/export insights, interactive plots for the web, save state, all from GUI

standard 1D, 2D & 3D plots

link data files' attributes

highlight live or algorithmic selections with Boolean logic

custom buttons, features

custom data loaders

custom plots

?

user config.py file (loaders, colors, plot types, +)

access to all matplotlib functions through built-in IPython terminal

run & interact with glue from Jupyter notebook & other tools

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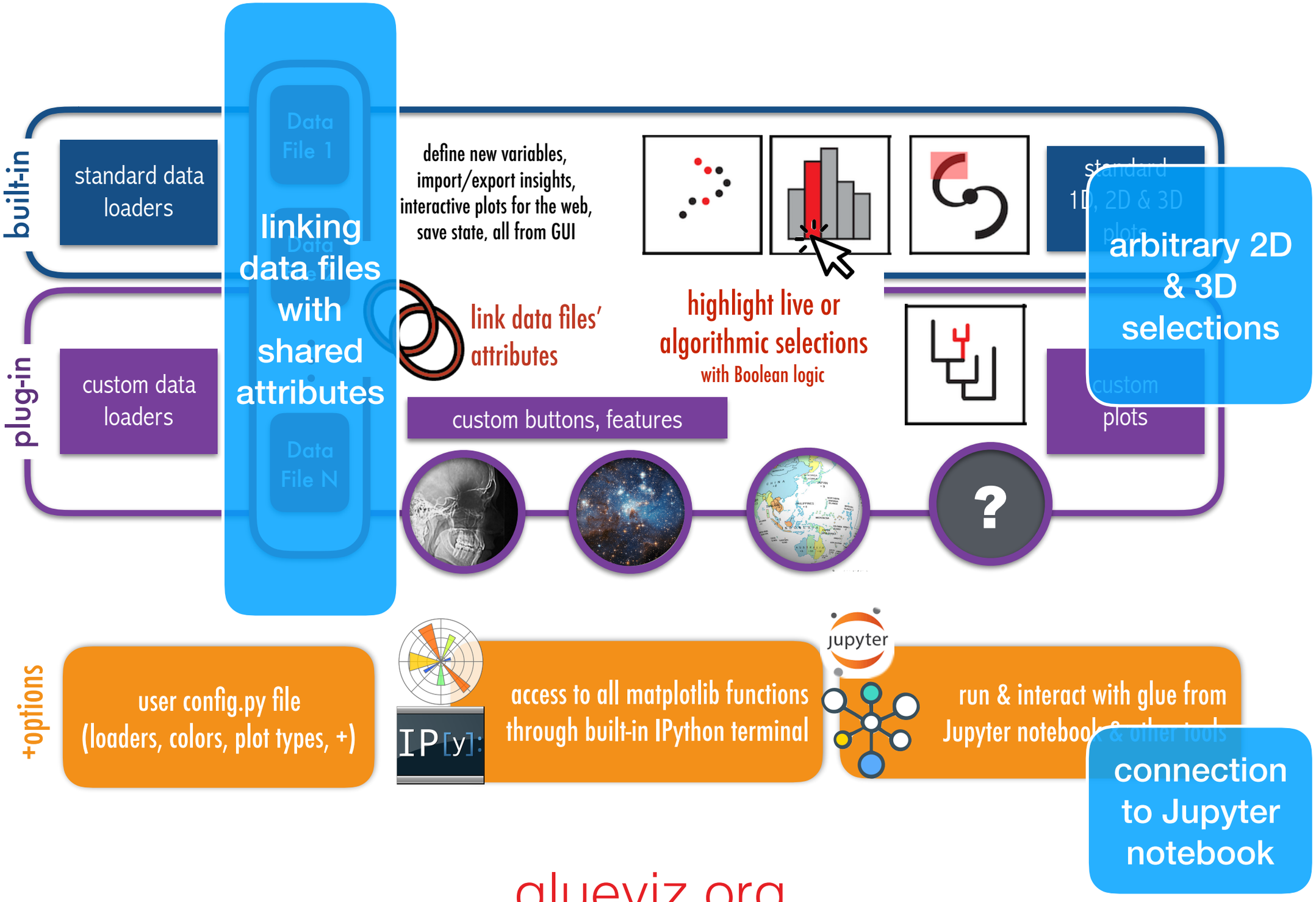
Which parts of glue are novel?



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What's next . . .

arbitrary 2D & 3D selections

(true) 3D Selection

linking data files with shared attributes

(remote accesss to) Big (and Wide) Data

connection to Jupyter notebook

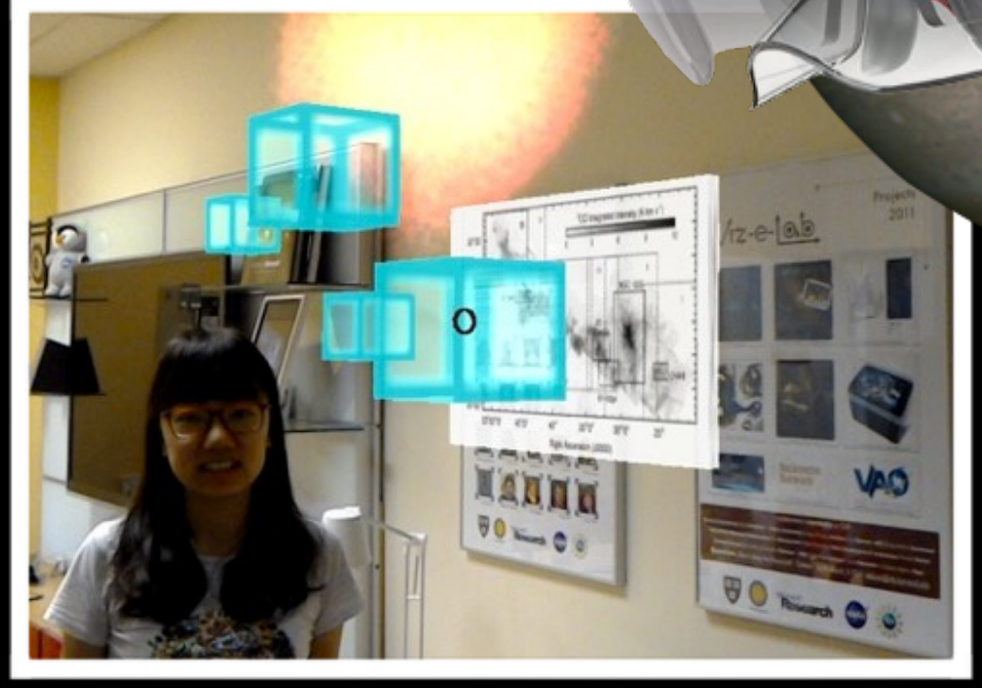
Bridges to Web (e.g. Jupyter Labs, bokeh)

(more) publishing options

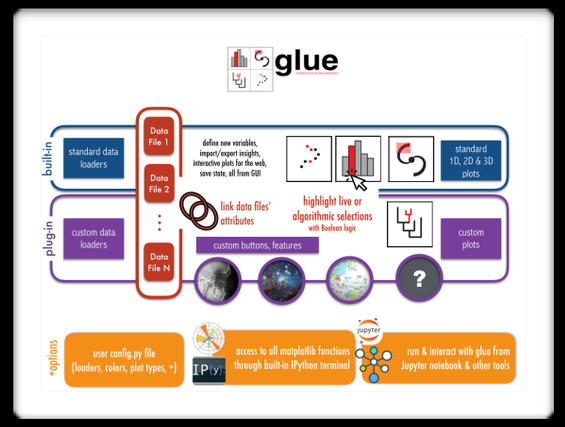
more partners (R, GIS, networks, etc. . .)

The challenge of 3D Selection

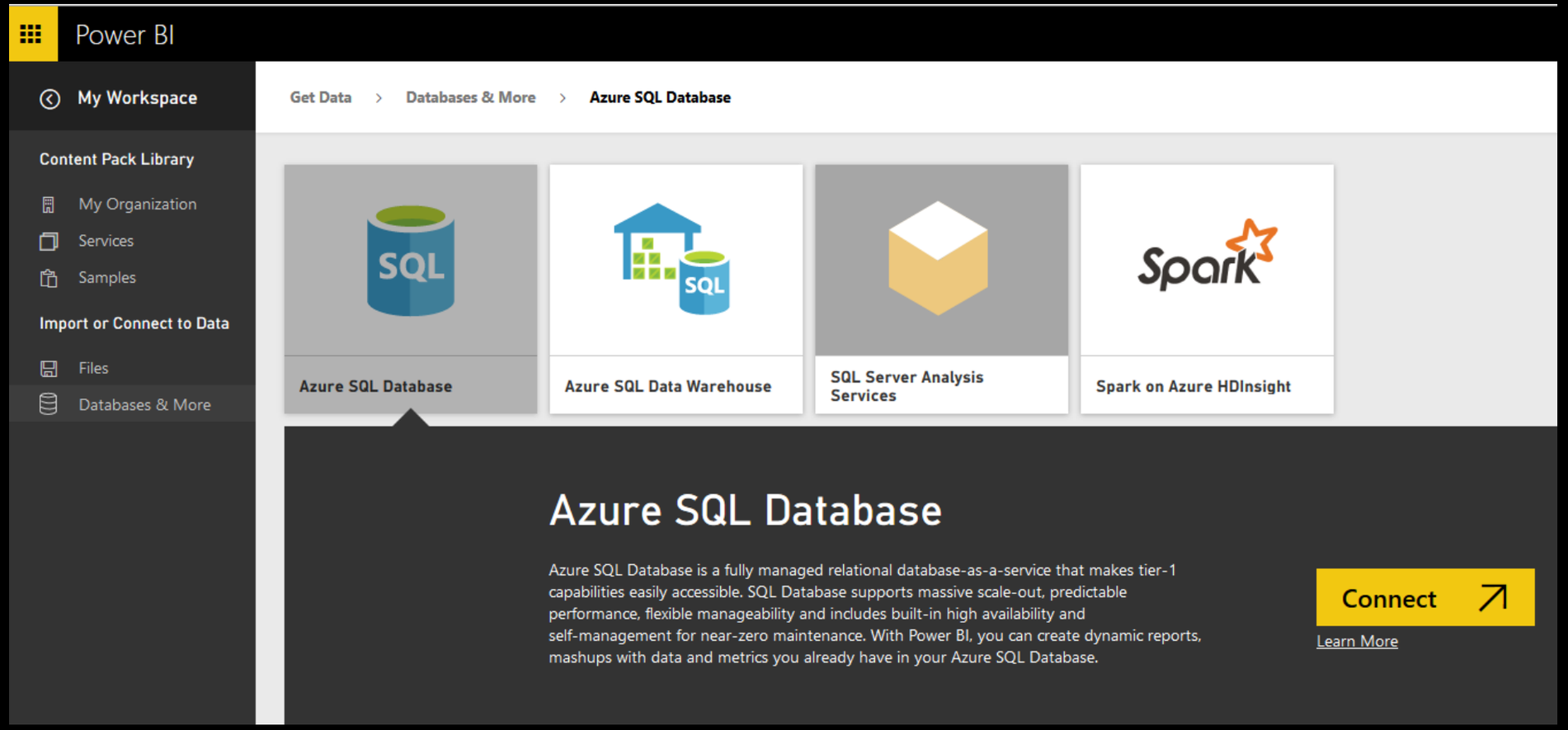
Viz-e-Lab



Remote Access to Big & Wide Data



+data abstraction layer (e.g. via Dataverse)
+replace matplotlib with OpenGL-backed 3D viewer
+data shaders (e.g. bokeh)

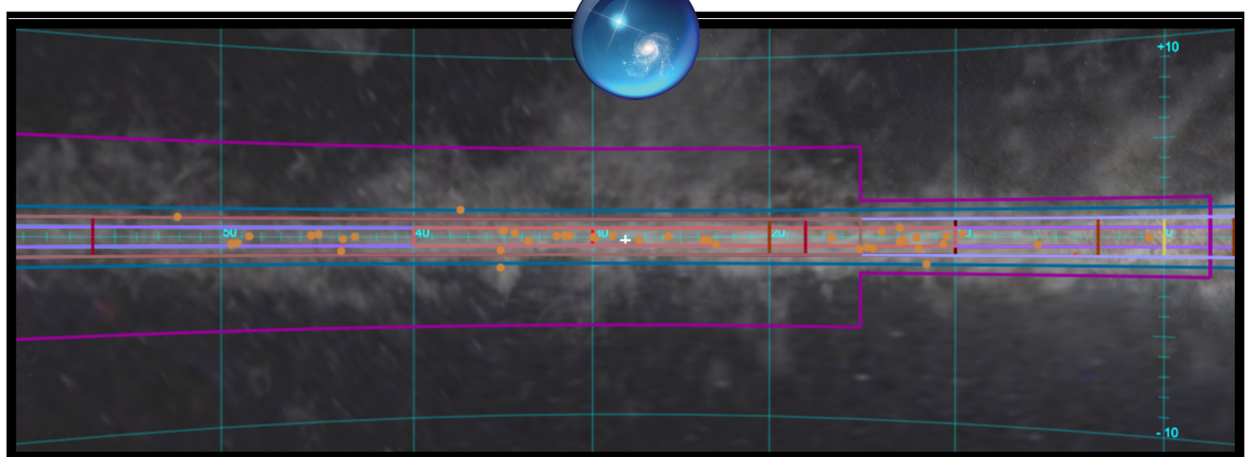


Remote Access & Dataverse, e.g. milkyway3d.org

Milky Way 3D

Galactic Plane Coverage Tool

MilkyWay3D.org is a tool intended to organize and curate links to information about data sets relevant to our 3D understanding of the Milky Way. For any given longitude range, we provide the means to determine the available surveys, their overlapping footprint, and the type of data each provides. Information about each dataset, including how to access the data, their hallmark publications, and their principal investigators, is available at the Milky Way 3D Dataverse. All the data can be loaded, "linked", and explored using the new 3D visualization software package Glue, available for download at glueviz.org!



This is an interactive coverage tool of surveys of the galactic plane created with the AAS WorldWide Telescope API, and WorldWide Telescope. To view the coverage of a region, click on the check box or slider in the first column of the table below. You can drag your mouse to pan or zoom in the window. Information on where to find the data in the regions may be found by clicking on the region name or the ★. Table columns may be sorted by clicking on the table header.

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☑	Dame CO	2.6 mm		★		
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☑	JCMT*	850 μm	★		★	
☑	HIGAL*	70-500 μm	★			
☑	MIPSGAL	24, 70 μm	★			
☑	WISE	3.4, 4.6, 12, 22.0 μm	★			
☑	GLIMPSE	3.6, 4.5, 5.8, 8.0 μm	★			
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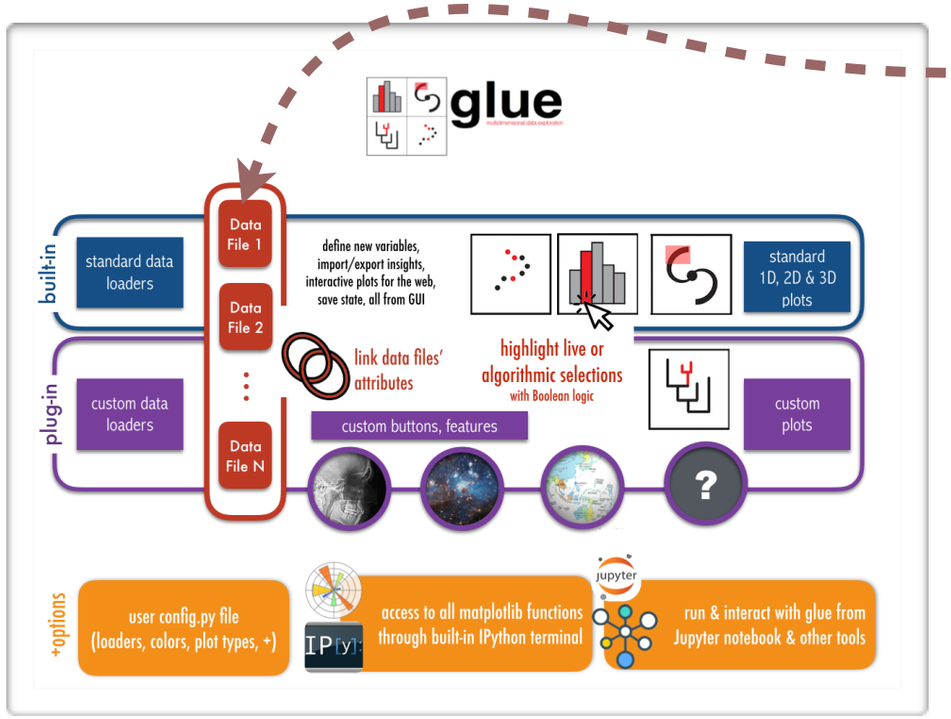

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The HI, OH, Recombination Line Survey of the Milky Way (THOR) Survey Dataverse (Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics)

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The THOR survey is a galactic plane survey covering 15° < l < 67° and b < |1°|. It consists of HI 21 cm observations, 20 recombination lines and 1-2 GHz continuum data at a 20" spatial resolution. One of its main science goals is understanding the dynamics of the interstellar medium and how clouds transition from the atomic to the molecular phase. The link to the homepage of the THOR survey can be found here.

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This dataset consists of extended spectral line observations taken by the Very Large Array (VLA), over l = 15° – 67°, |b| ≤ 1°. There are a variety of data products available. The first includes HI 21 cm observations with a bandwidth of 2 MHz and a channel width of 1.953 kHz. Thi...

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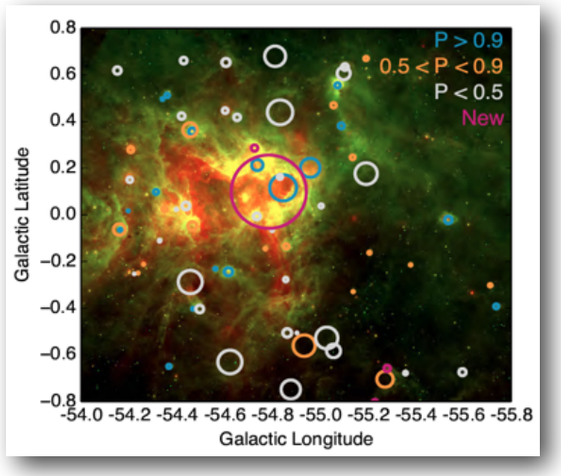

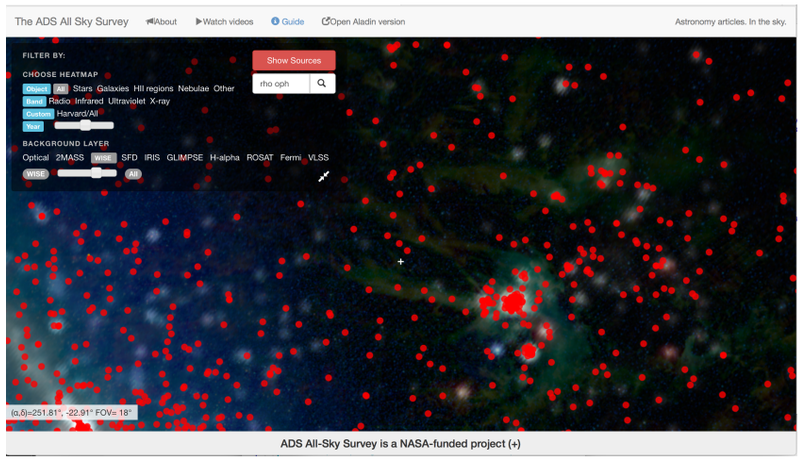

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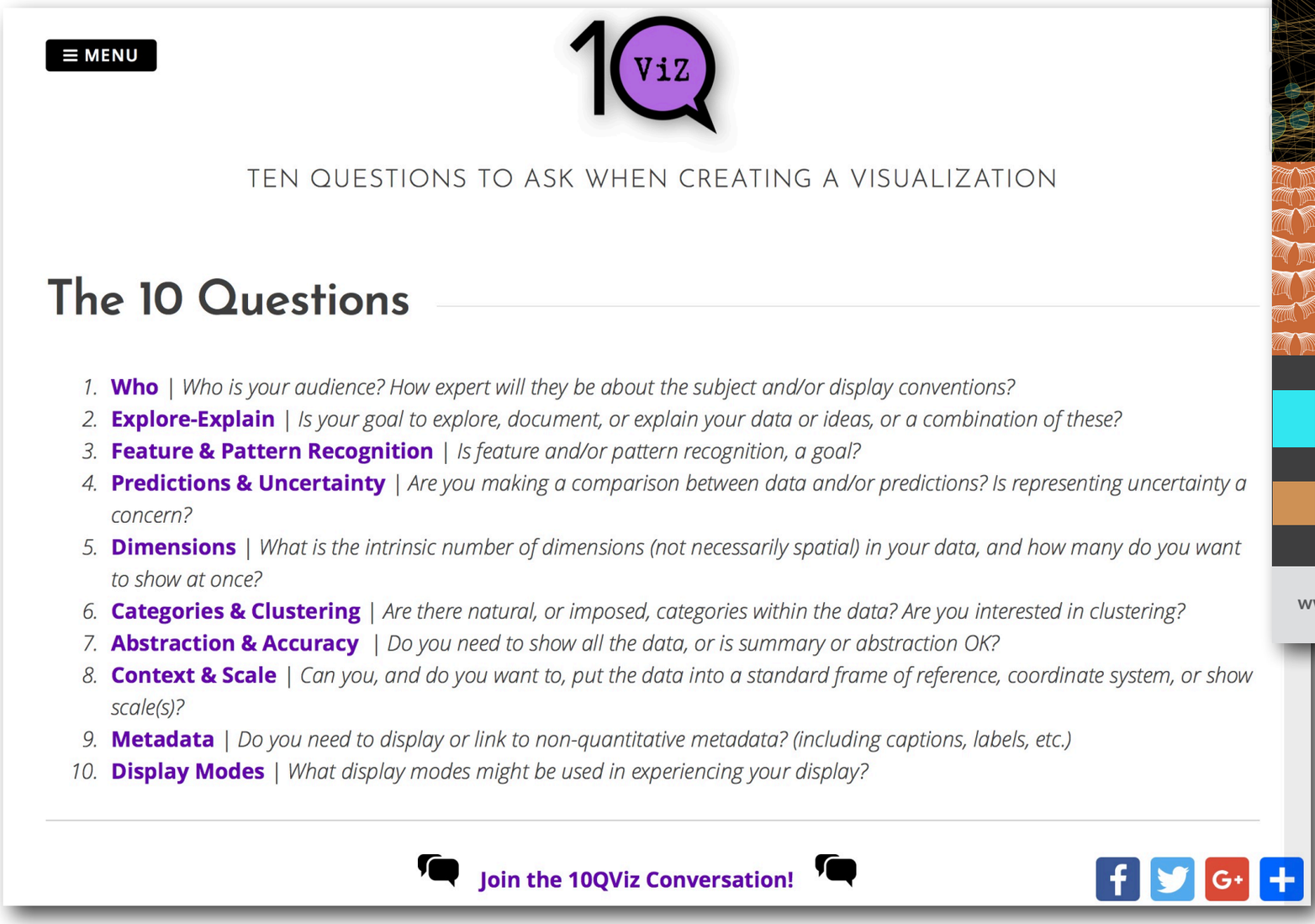

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4 Centuries from Galileo to Galileo

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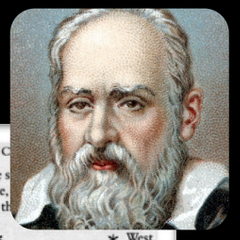

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On the third, at the seventh hour, the s
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the closest western one 2 minutes; and th

East * ○ * * West

10 minutes removed from this one. They were absolutely on the same straight line and of equal magnitude.

On the fourth, at the second hour, there were four stars around Jupiter, two to the east and two to the west, and arranged precisely

East * * ○ * * West

on a straight line, as in the adjoining figure. The easternmost was distant 3 minutes from the next one, while this one was 40 seconds from Jupiter; Jupiter was 4 minutes from the nearest western one, and this one 6 minutes from the westernmost one. Their magnitudes were nearly equal; the one closest to Jupiter appeared a little smaller than the rest. But at the seventh hour the eastern st
30 seconds apart. Jupiter was 2 minutes from the

East ** ○ * *

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On the fifth, the sky was cloudy.

On the sixth, only two stars appeared flanking Ju

East * ○ *

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On the seventh, two stars stood near Jupiter, bo
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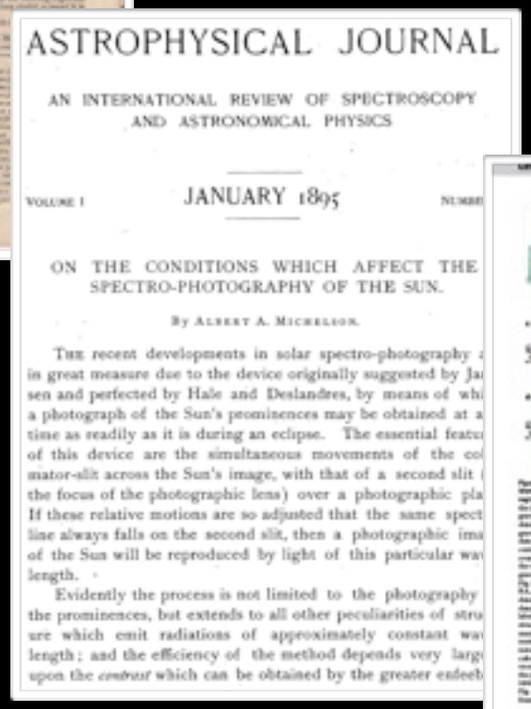

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ON THE CONDITIONS WHICH AFFECT THE SPECTRO-PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE SUN.

By Albert A. Michelson.

The recent developments in solar spectro-photography
in great measure due to the device originally suggested by Ja
sen and perfected by Hale and Deslandres, by means of wh
a photograph of the Sun's prominences may be obtained at a
time as readily as it is during an eclipse. The essential featu
of this device are the simultaneous movements of the co
mator-slit across the Sun's image, with that of a second slit
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If these relative motions are so adjusted that the same spect
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of the Sun will be reproduced by light of this particular wa
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Evidently the process is not limited to the photography
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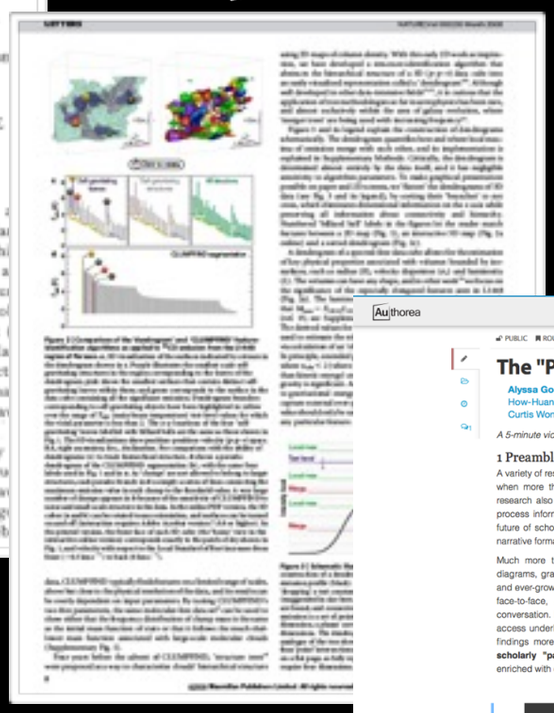

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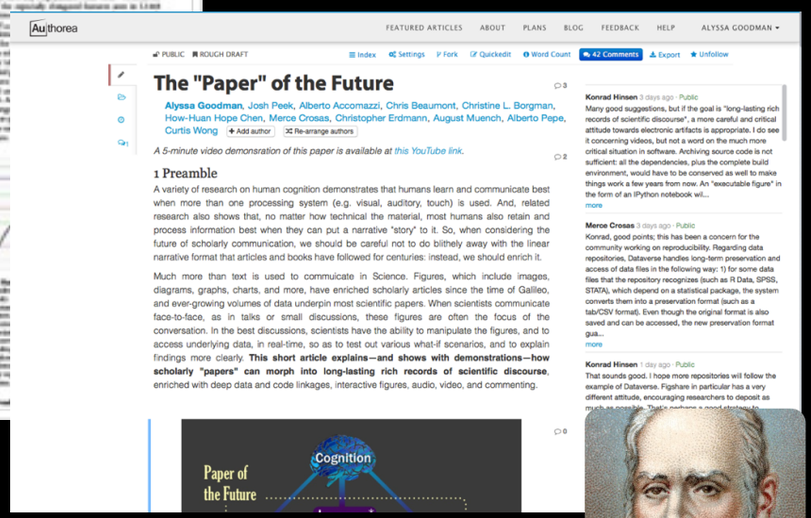

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The "Paper" of the Future

Alyssa Goodman, Josh Peek, Alberto Accomazzi, Chris Beaumont, Christine L. Borgman, How-Huan Hope Chen, Merce Crosas, Christopher Erdmann, August Muench, Alberto Pepe, Curtis Wong + Add author Re-arrange authors

A 5-minute video demonsration of this paper is available at this YouTube link.

1 Preamble

A variety of research on human cognition demonstrates that humans learn and communicate best when more than one processing system (e.g. visual, auditory, touch) is used. And, related research also shows that, no matter how technical the material, most humans also retain and process information best when they can put a narrative "story" to it. So, when considering the future of scholarly communication, we should be careful not to do blithely away with the linear narrative format that articles and books have followed for centuries: instead, we should enrich it.

Much more than text is used to commuicate in Science. Figures, which include images, diagrams, graphs, charts, and more, have enriched scholarly articles since the time of Galileo, and ever-growing volumes of data underpin most scientific papers. When scientists communicate face-to-face, as in talks or small discussions, these figures are often the focus of the conversation. In the best discussions, scientists have the ability to manipulate the figures, and to access underlying data, in real-time, so as to test out various what-if scenarios, and to explain findings more clearly. **This short article explains—and shows with demonstrations—how scholarly "papers" can morph into long-lasting rich records of scientific discourse**, enriched with deep data and code linkages, interactive figures, audio, video, and commenting.

Paper of the Future

Cognition

Konrad Hinsen 3 days ago · Public
Many good suggestions, but if the goal is "long-lasting rich records of scientific discourse", a more careful and critical attitude towards electronic artifacts is appropriate. I do see it concerning videos, but not a word on the much more critical situation in software. Archiving source code is not sufficient: all the dependencies, plus the complete build environment, would have to be conserved as well to make things work a few years from now. An "executable figure" in the form of an IPython notebook wi...
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Merce Crosas 3 days ago · Public
Konrad, good points; this has been a concern for the community working on reproducibility. Regarding data repositories, Dataverse handles long-term preservation and access of data files in the following way: 1) for some data files that the repository recognizes (such as R Data, SPSS, STATA), which depend on a statistical package, the system converts them into a preservation format (such as a tab/CSV format). Even though the original format is also saved and can be accessed, the new preservation format gua...
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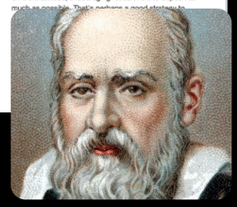
That sounds good. I hope more repositories will follow the example of Dataverse. Figshare in particular has a very different attitude, encouraging researchers to deposit as



glue
multidimensional data exploration

enabled by d3.js (javascript) outputs

plotly

d3po

d3po is a project designed to allow an astronomer (or anyone), with no special data visualization skills, to make an interactive, publication-quality figure that has staged builds and linked brushing through scatter plots. Our current version can be previewed at d3po.org, and represents a figure from upcoming work by graduate student Elisabeth Newton. The figure describes how metalicity affects color in cool stars, and represents a nice use case for d3po. Try clicking and dragging in the scatter plots to understand the power of linked brushing in published figures.

Right now we are in search of alpha testers, who have figures that could be made interactive and who are willing to get their hands a little dirty (No javascript skills needed). In future versions, we plan to link to glue to allow the creation of d3po figures interactively. We are also exploring implementation of d3po within presentations and within authorea. Full 1.0 version expected in January 2014.

Installing your own d3po server

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git clone git@github.com:adrn/d3po.git
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source venv/bin/activate
pip install -r pip-requirements.txt
python run.py
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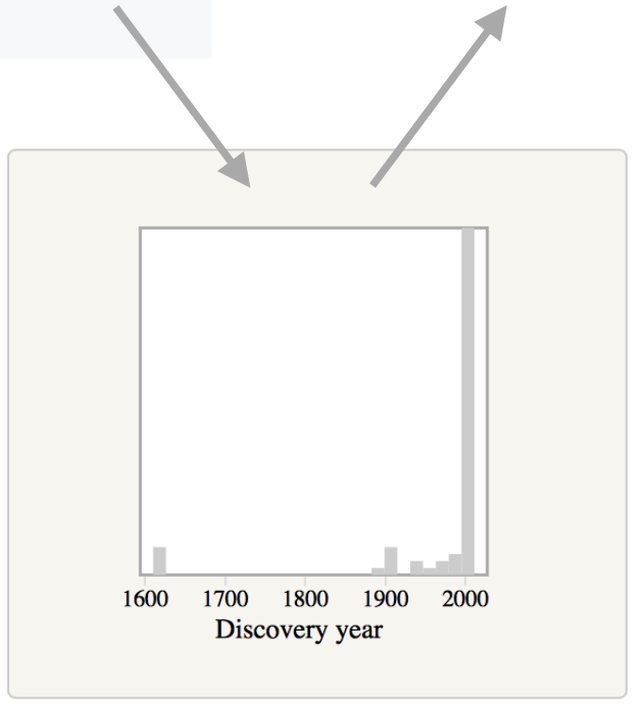

Four Centuries of Discovery | A Chasm in Mass | Little Siblings | Close Cousins | The Strangers

After Galileo discovered the first four moons of Jupiter, it took nearly three hundred years to discover the next one.

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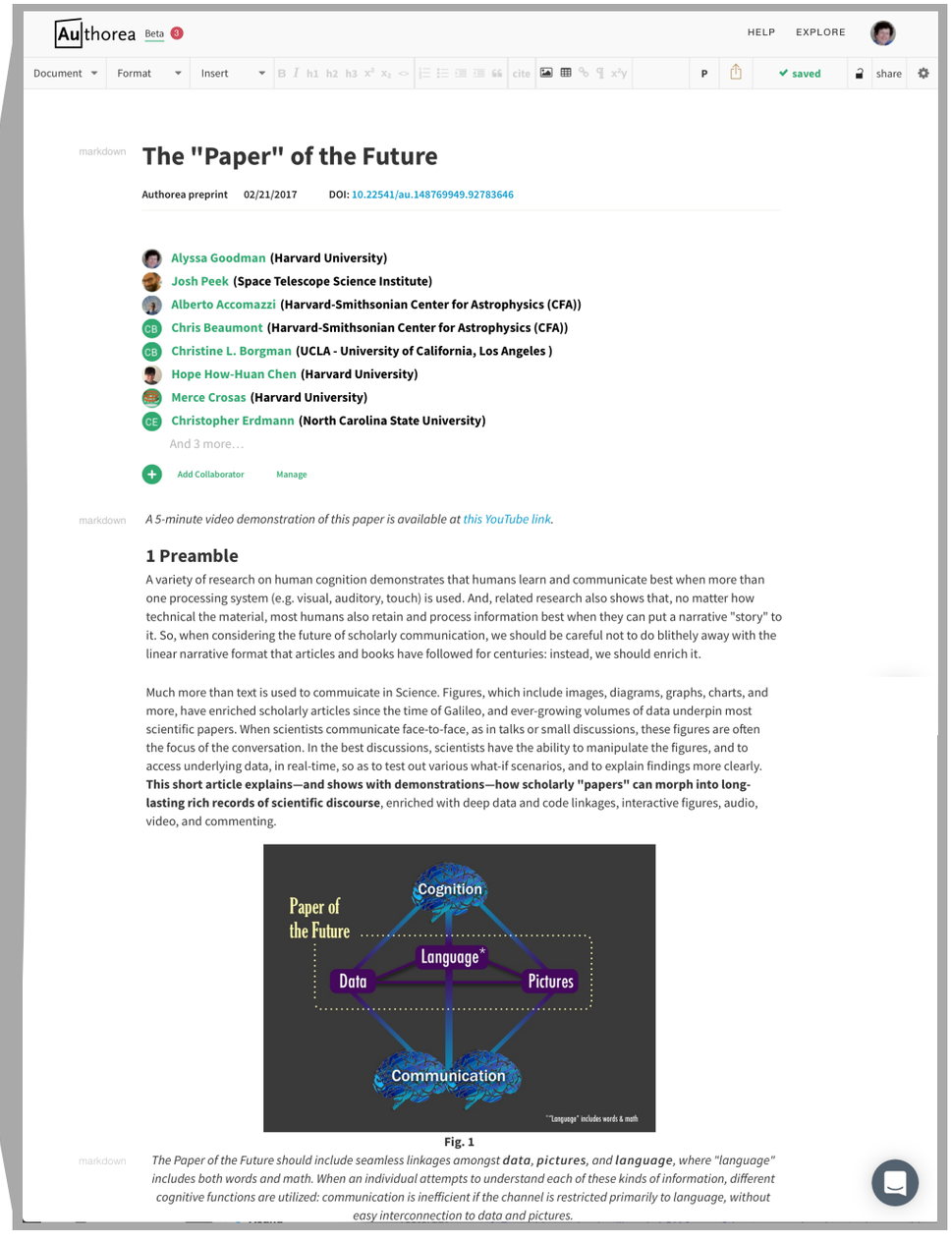

[demo]

Many thanks to Alberto Pepe, Josh Peek, Chris Beaumont, Tom Robitaille, Adrian Price-Whelan, Elizabeth Newton, Michelle Borkin & Matteo Cantiello for making this posible.

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High-Dimensional data in a "Paper" on its way to the Future

[demo/video]

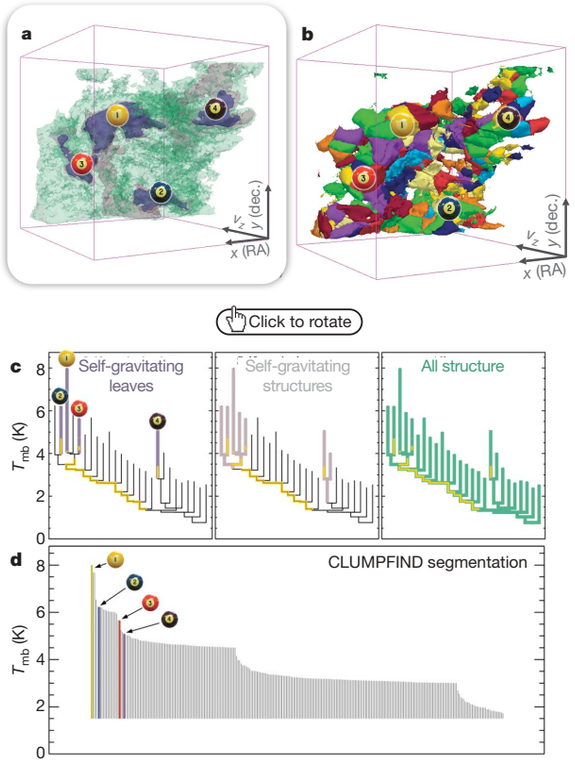

Figure 2 | Comparison of the 'dendrogram' and 'CLUMPFIND' feature-identification algorithms as applied to ^{13}CO emission from the L1448 region of Perseus. a, 3D visualization of the surfaces indicated by colours in the dendrogram shown in **c**. Purple illustrates the smallest scale self-gravitating structures in the region corresponding to the leaves of the dendrogram; pink shows the smallest surfaces that contain distinct self-gravitating leaves within them; and green corresponds to the surface in the data cube containing all the significant emission. Dendrogram branches corresponding to self-gravitating objects have been highlighted in yellow over the range of T_{mb} (main-beam temperature) test-level values for which the virial parameter is less than 2. The x–y locations of the four 'self-gravitating' leaves labelled with billiard balls are the same as those shown in Fig. 1. The 3D visualizations show position–position–velocity (p–p–v) space. RA, right ascension; dec., declination. For comparison with the ability of dendrograms (**c**) to track hierarchical structure, **d** shows a pseudo-dendrogram of the CLUMPFIND segmentation (**b**), with the same four labels used in Fig. 1 and in **a**. As 'clumps' are not allowed to belong to larger structures, each pseudo-branch in **d** is simply a series of lines connecting the maximum emission value in each clump to the threshold value. A very large number of clumps appears in **b** because of the sensitivity of CLUMPFIND to noise and small-scale structure in the data. In the online PDF version, the 3D cubes (**a** and **b**) can be rotated to any orientation, and surfaces can be turned on and off (interaction requires Adobe Acrobat version 7.0.8 or higher). In the printed version, the front face of each 3D cube (the 'home' view in the interactive online version) corresponds exactly to the patch of sky shown in Fig. 1, and velocity with respect to the Local Standard of Rest increases from front (-0.5 km s^{-1}) to back (8 km s^{-1}).

data, CLUMPFIND typically finds features on a limited range of scales, above but close to the physical resolution of the data, and its results can be overly dependent on input parameters. By tuning CLUMPFIND's two free parameters, the same molecular-line data set[8] can be used to show either that the frequency distribution of clump mass is the same as the initial mass function of stars or that it follows the much shallower mass function associated with large-scale molecular clouds (Supplementary Fig. 1).

Four years before the advent of CLUMPFIND, 'structure trees'[9] were proposed as a way to characterize clouds' hierarchical structure using 2D maps of column density. With th… …ly 2D work as inspiration, we have developed a structure-id… …ithm that abstracts the hierarchical structure of a… an easily visualized representation calle… well developed in other data-intensive … application of tree methodologies so fa… and almost exclusively within the a… 'merger trees' are being used with in…

Figure 3 and its legend explain th… schematically. The dendrogram qua… ima of emission merge with each… explained in Supplementary Meth… determined almost entirely by th… sensitivity to algorithm paramet… possible on paper and 2D screen… data (see Fig. 3 and its legend… cross, which eliminates dimens… preserving all information… Numbered 'billiard ball' lab… features between a 2D map… online) and a sorted dendro…

A dendrogram of a spectr… of key physical properties… surfaces, such as radius (R), ve… (L). The volumes can have any shape, and n… the significance of the especially elongated features … (Fig. 2a). The luminosity is an approximate proxy for mass, such that $M_{lum} = X_{13CO} L_{13CO}$, where $X_{13CO} = 8.0 \times 10^{20}$ cm^2 K^{-1} km^{-1} s (ref. 15; see Supplementary Methods and Supplementary Fig. 2). The derived values for size, mass and velocity dispersion can then be used to estimate the role of self-gravity at each point in the hierarchy, via calculation of an 'observed' virial parameter, $\alpha_{obs} = 5\sigma_v^2 R/GM_{lum}$. In principle, extended portions of the tree (Fig. 2, yellow highlighting) where $\alpha_{obs} < 2$ (where gravitational energy is comparable to or larger than kinetic energy) correspond to regions of p–p–v space where self-gravity is significant. As α_{obs} only represents the ratio of kinetic energy to gravitational energy at one point in time, and does not explicitly capture external over-pressure and/or magnetic fields[16], its measured value should only be used as a guide to the longevity (boundedness) of any particular feature.

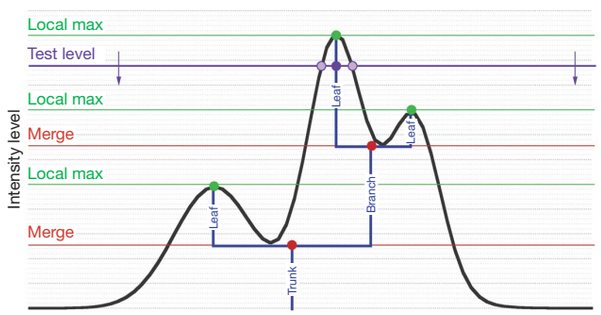

Figure 3 | Schematic illustration of the dendrogram process. Shown is the construction of a dendrogram from a hypothetical one-dimensional emission profile (black). The dendrogram (blue) can be constructed by 'dropping' a test constant emission level (purple) from above in tiny steps (exaggerated in size here, light lines) until all the local maxima and mergers are found, and connected as shown. The intersection of a test level with the emission is a set of points (for example the light purple dots) in one dimension, a planar curve in two dimensions, and an isosurface in three dimensions. The dendrogram of 3D data shown in Fig. 2c is the direct analogue of the tree shown here, only constructed from 'isosurface' rather than 'point' intersections. It has been sorted and flattened for representation on a flat page, as fully representing dendrograms for 3D data cubes would require four dimensions.

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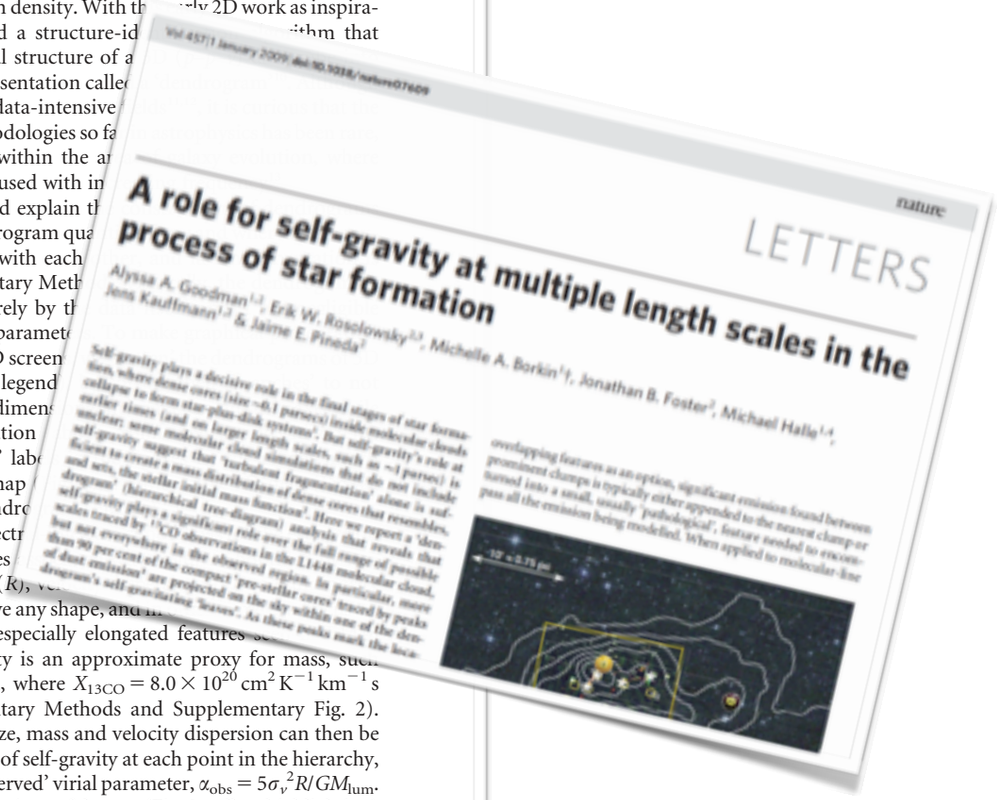

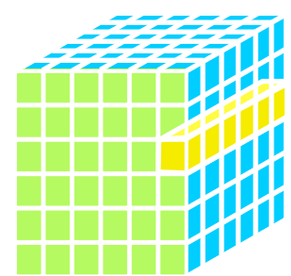

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LETTERS

A role for self-gravity at multiple length scales in the process of star formation

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Self-gravity plays a decisive role in the final stages of star formation, where dense cores (size ~0.1 parsecs) inside molecular clouds collapse to form star-plus-disk systems[1]. But self-gravity's role at earlier times (and on larger length scales, such as ~1 parsec) is unclear; some molecular cloud simulations that do not include self-gravity suggest that 'turbulent fragmentation' alone is sufficient to create a mass distribution of dense cores that resembles, and sets, the stellar initial mass function[2]. Here we report a 'dendrogram' (hierarchical tree-diagram) analysis that reveals that self-gravity plays a significant role over the full range of possible scales traced by ^{13}CO observations in the L1448 molecular cloud, but not everywhere in the observed region. In particular, more than 90 per cent of the compact 'pre-stellar cores' traced by peaks of dust emission[3] are projected on the sky within one of the dendrogram's self-gravitating 'leaves'. As these peaks mark the locations of already-forming stars, or of those probably about to form, a self-gravitating cocoon seems a critical condition for their exist-

overlapping features as an option, significant emission found between prominent clumps is typically either appended to the nearest clump or turned into a small, usually 'pathological', feature needed to encompass all the emission being modelled. When applied to molecular-line

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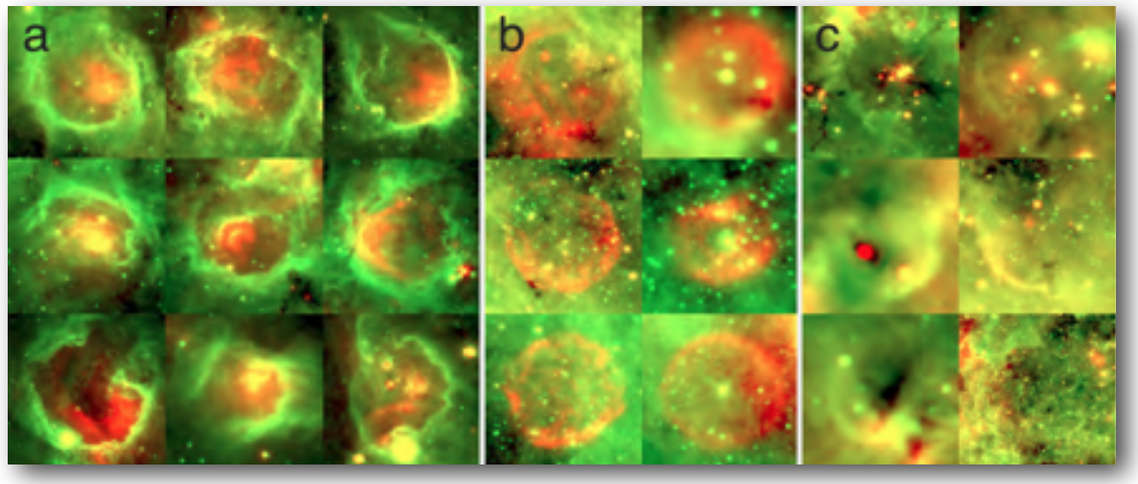

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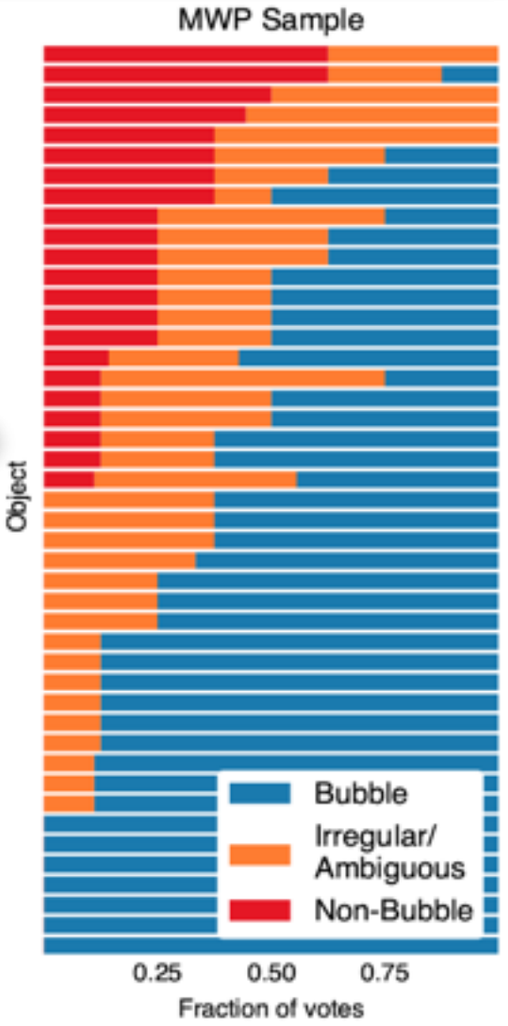

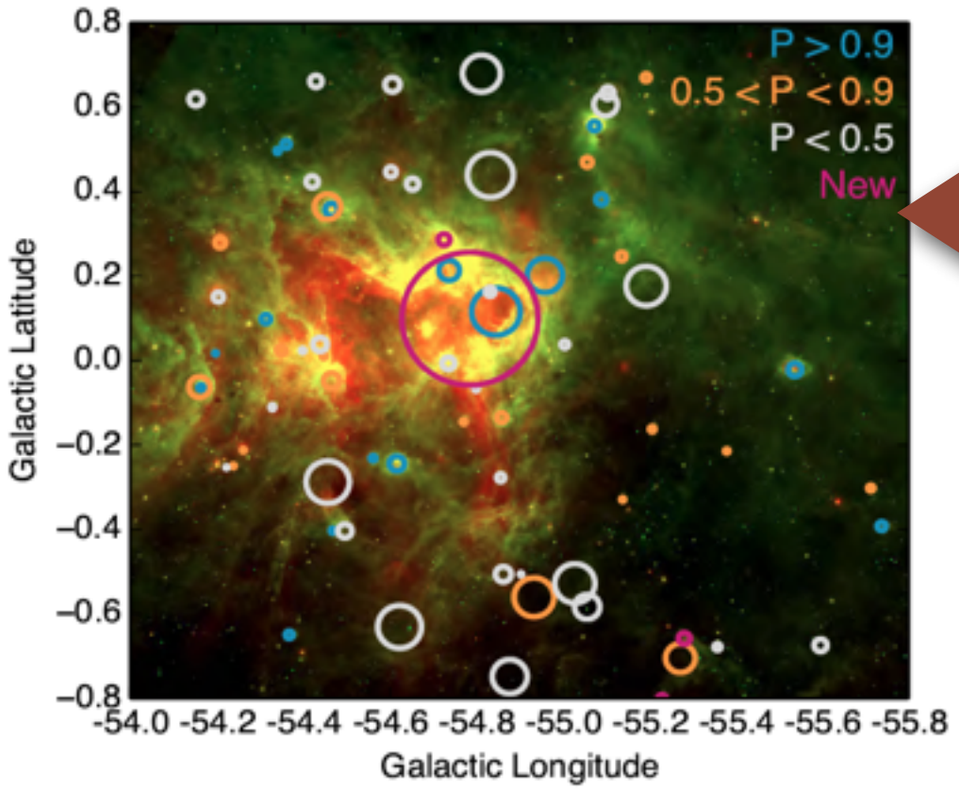

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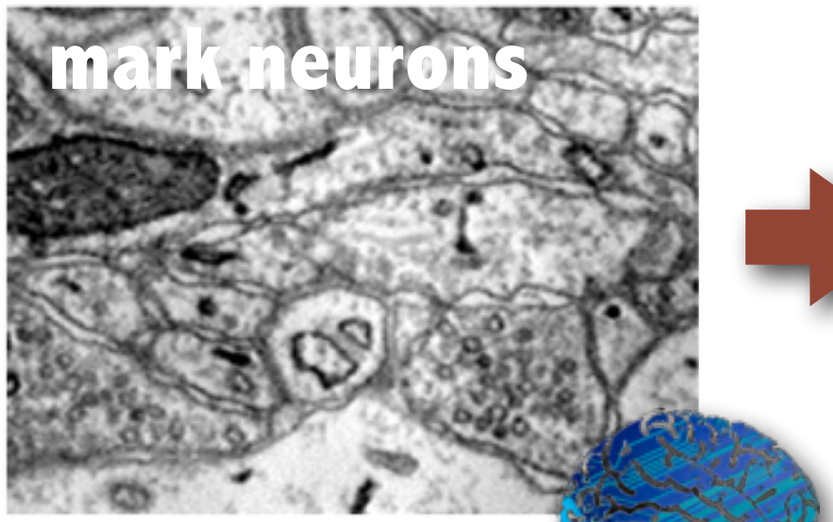

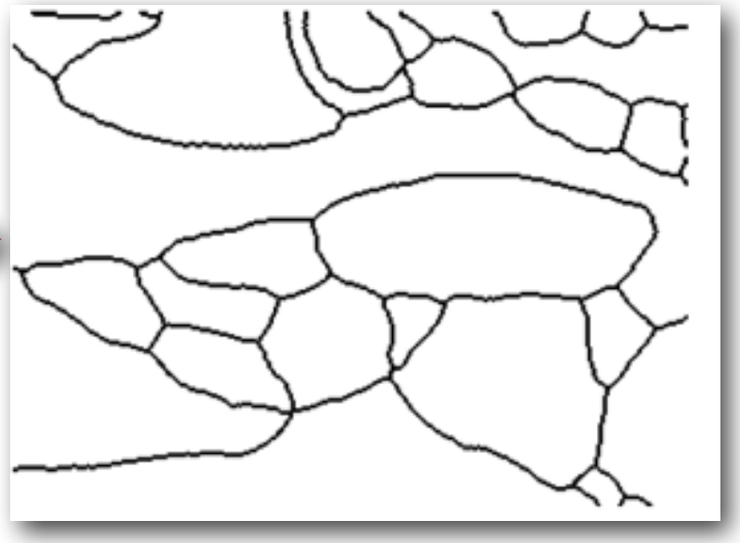

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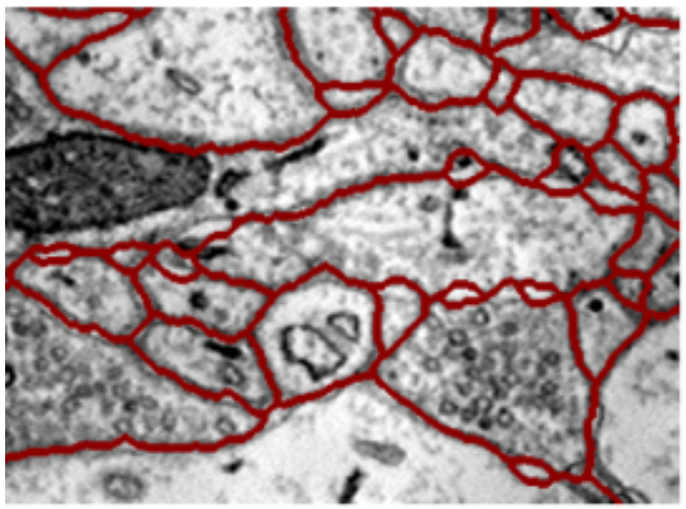

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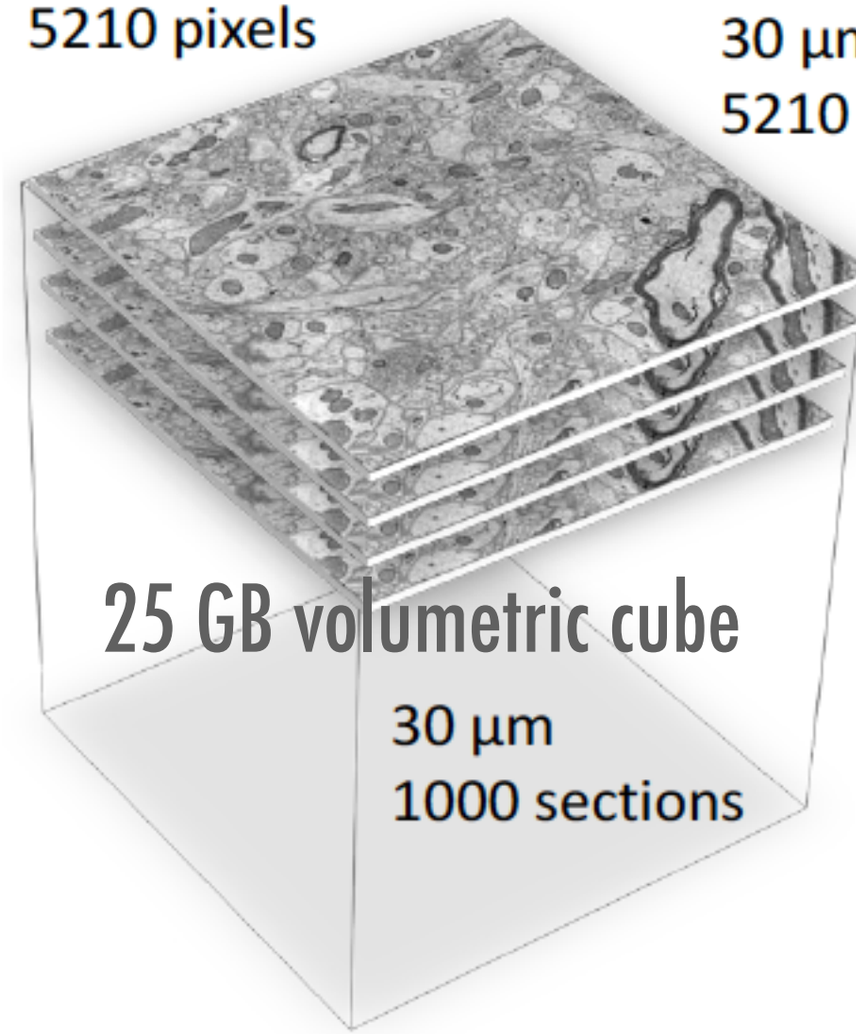

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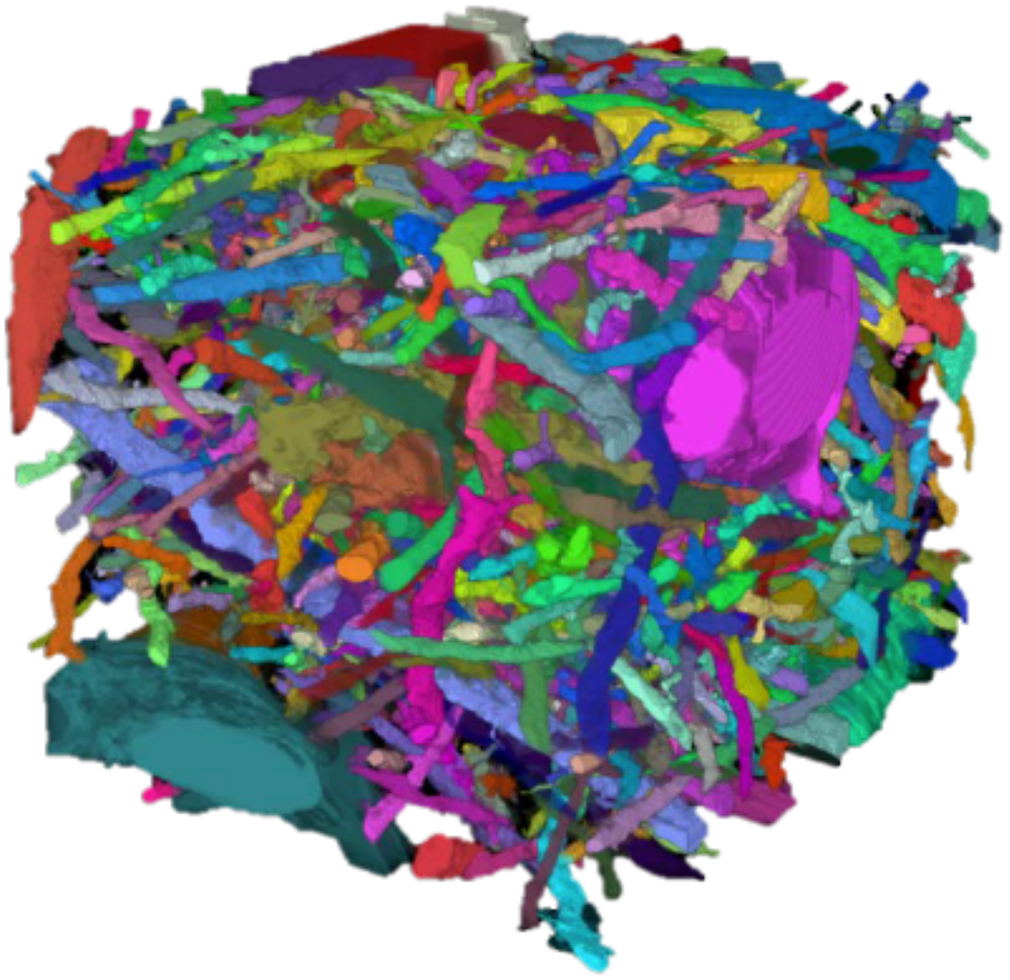

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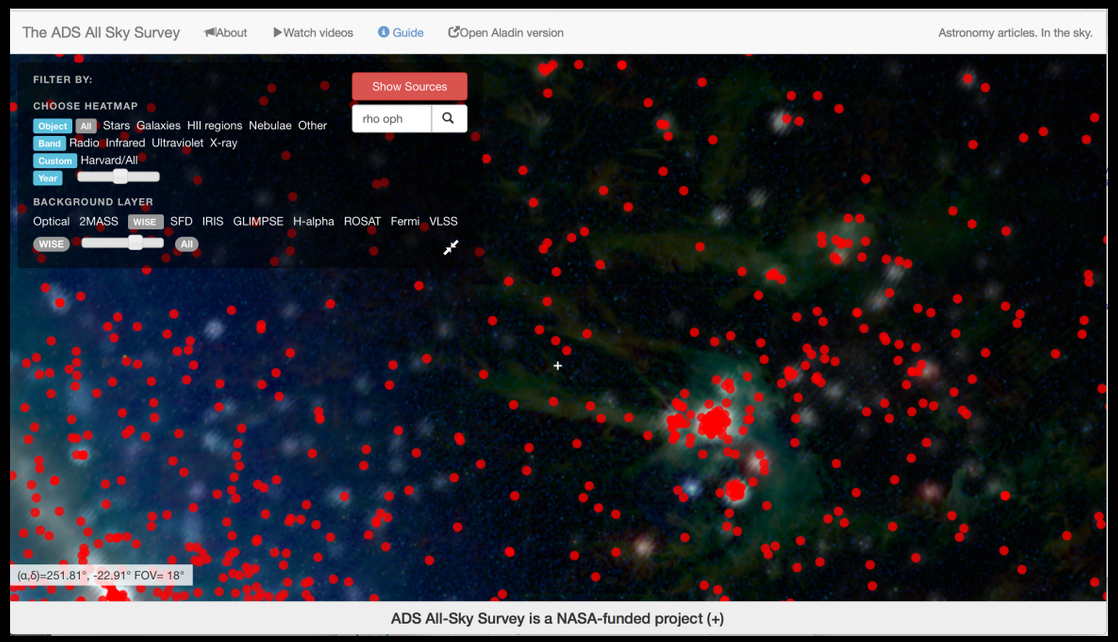

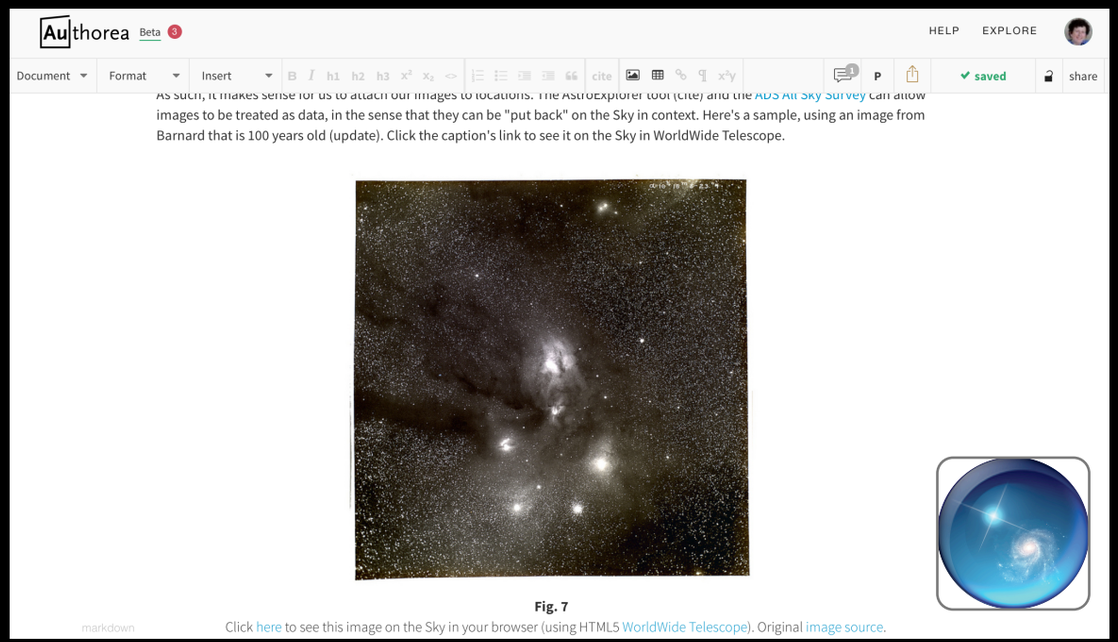

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ON A GREAT NEBULOUS REGION AND ON THE QUESTION OF ABSORBING MATTER IN SPACE AND THE TRANSPARENCY OF THE NEBULAE

By E. E. BARNARD

While photographing the region of the great nebula of *ρ Ophiuchi* (which I had found with the Willard lens) at the Lick Observatory in 1893, the plates with the small lantern lens (1½ inches diameter, also attached to the Willard mounting) showed a remarkable nebula involving the 4.5 magnitude star *ν Scorpii* (Plate I). It had not been noticed on the Willard lens photograph, where it was very faint and near the edge of the plate. The discovery of this object therefore is due to the small lantern lens.

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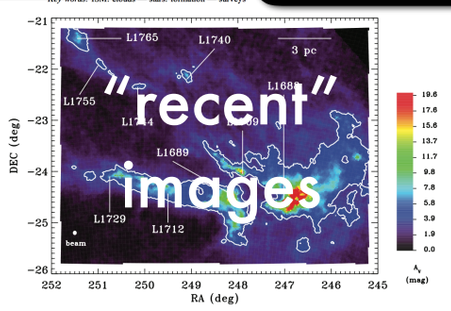

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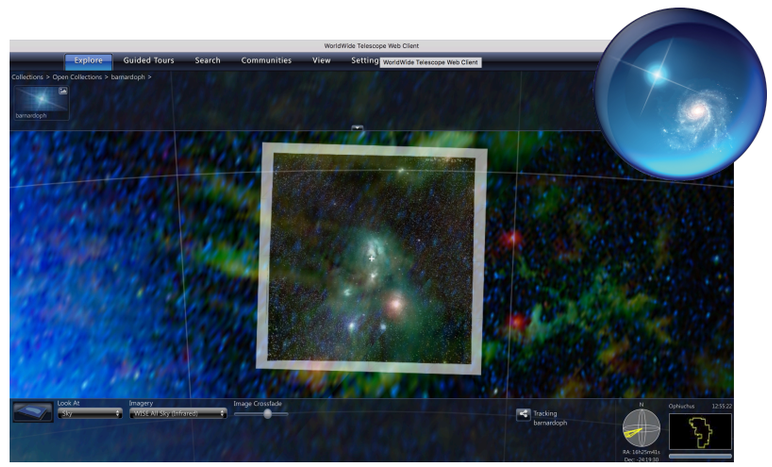

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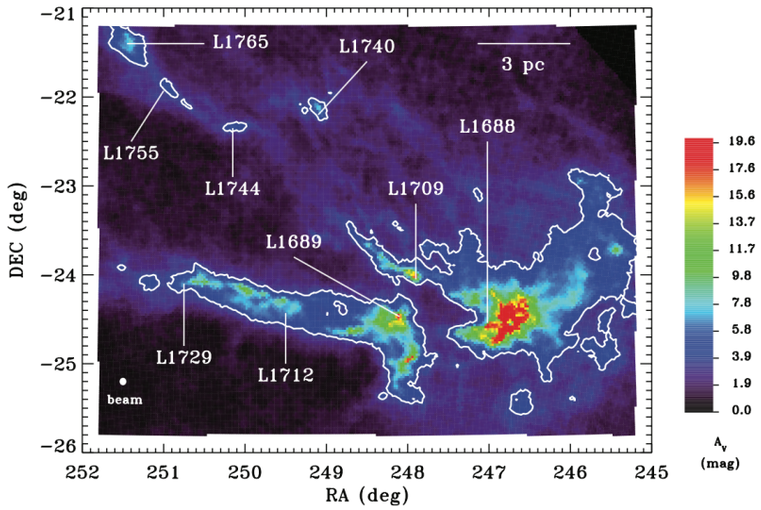

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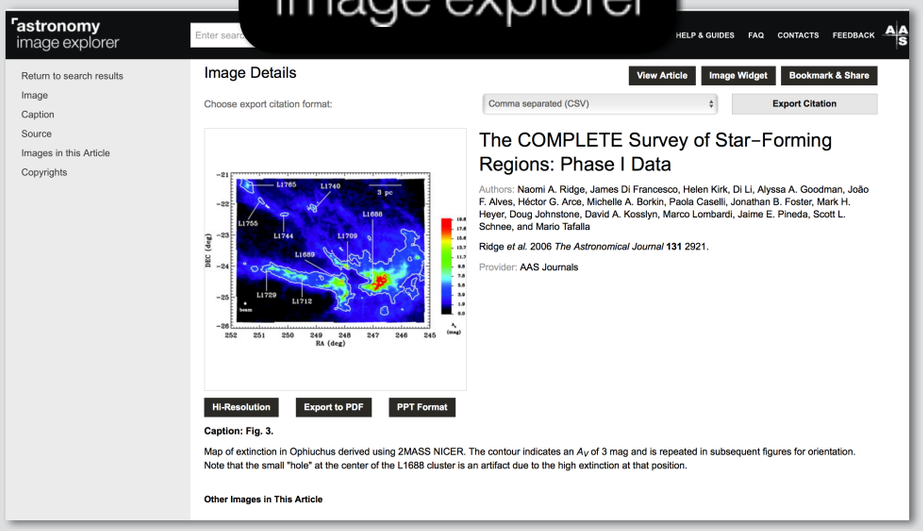

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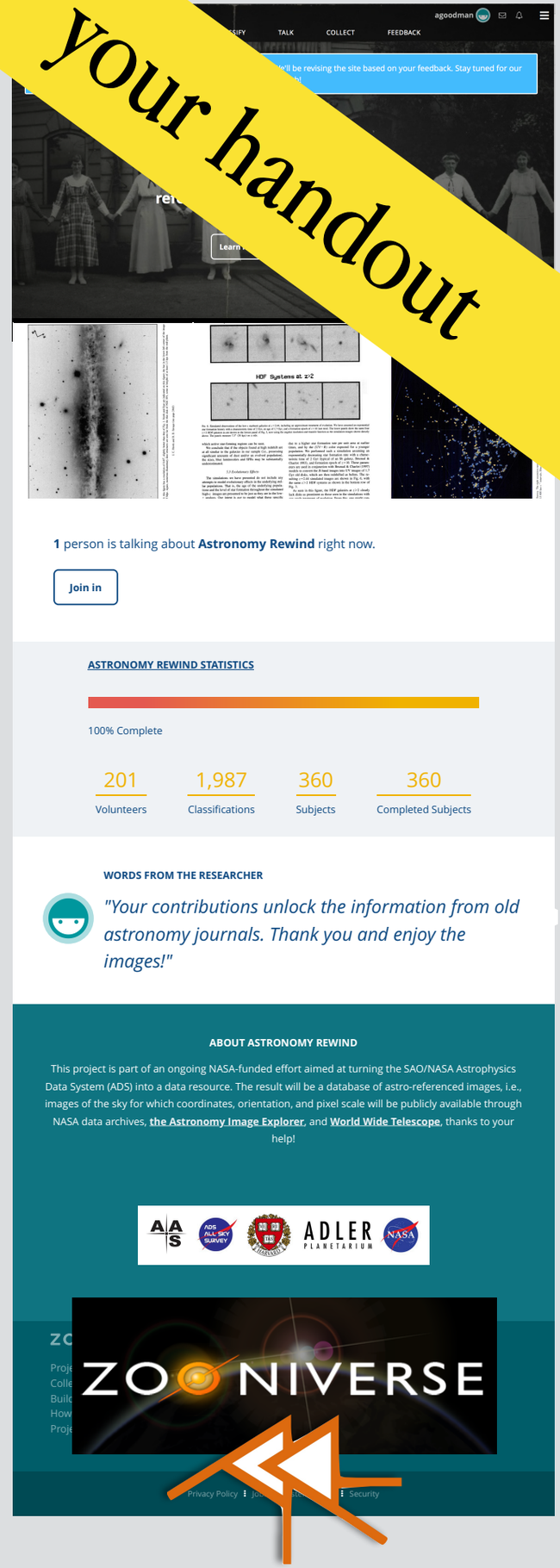
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