

Results from the MeerKAT MIGHTEE survey

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MeerKAT

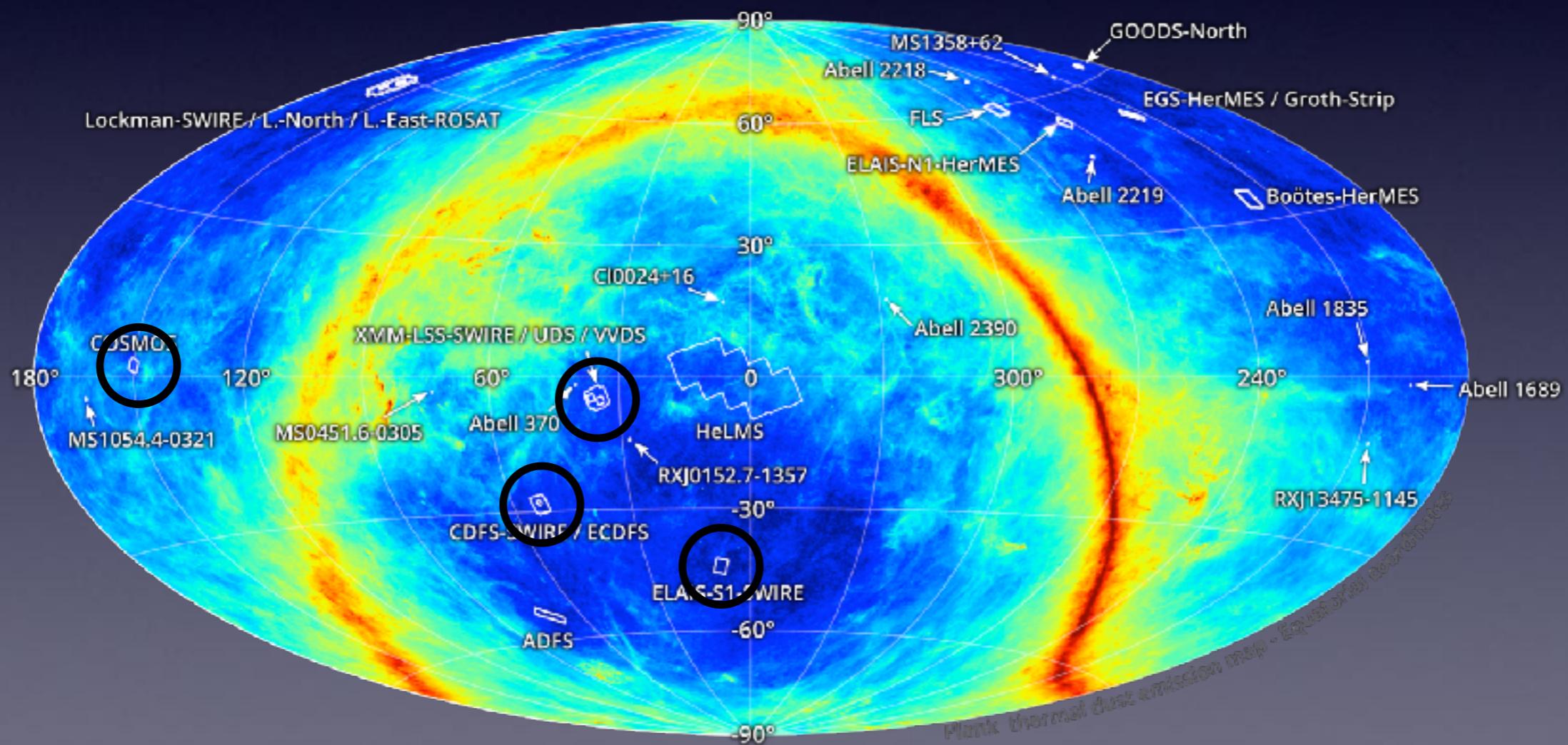
- 64 13.5m offset Gregorian dishes
 - Field of view $\sim 1\text{deg}^2$ at 1420MHz ($\sim 8x$ survey speed of VLA)
- 8km maximum baselines with compact core
 - 6arcsec resolution with good surface brightness sensitivity



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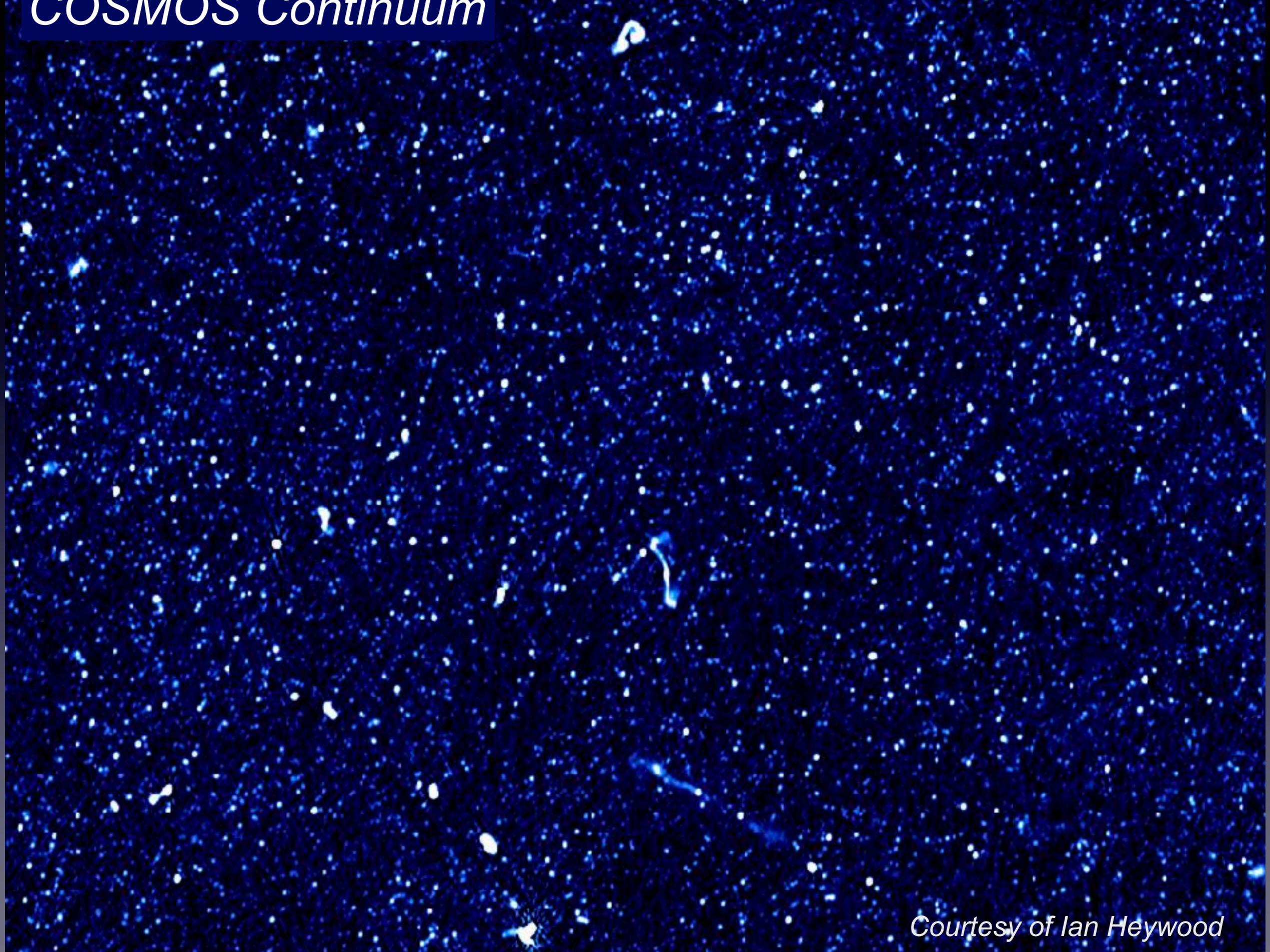
MIGHTEE: PIs Matt Jarvis, Russ Taylor

- MeerKAT International Giga-Hertz Tiered Extragalactic Exploration
- L-band and S-band medium-deep, medium-wide survey
- 20 deg², ~16 hours per pointing (20h effective) for ~couple μJy sensitivity
- 0<z<3 for star forming galaxies, 0<z<6 for AGN

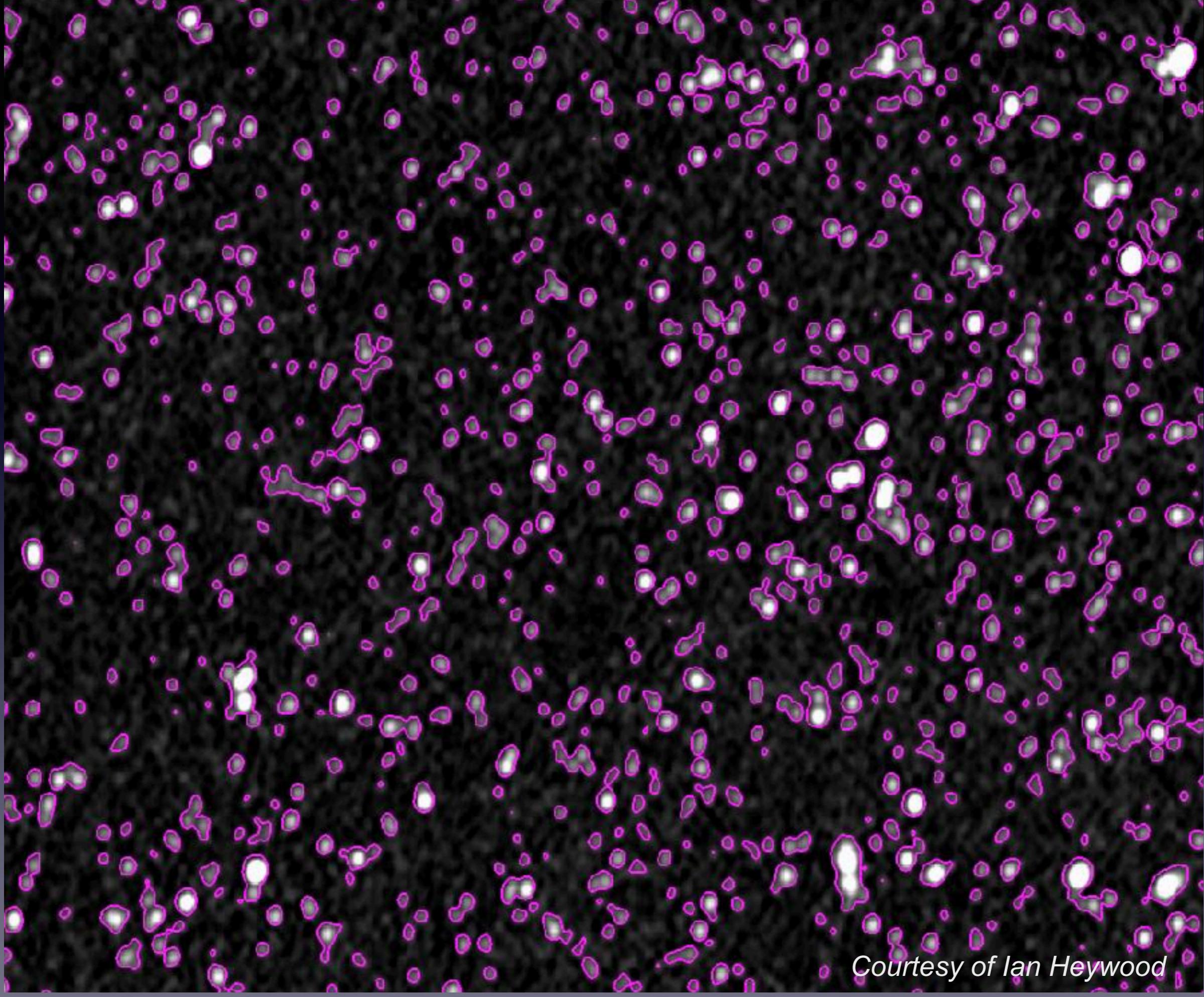


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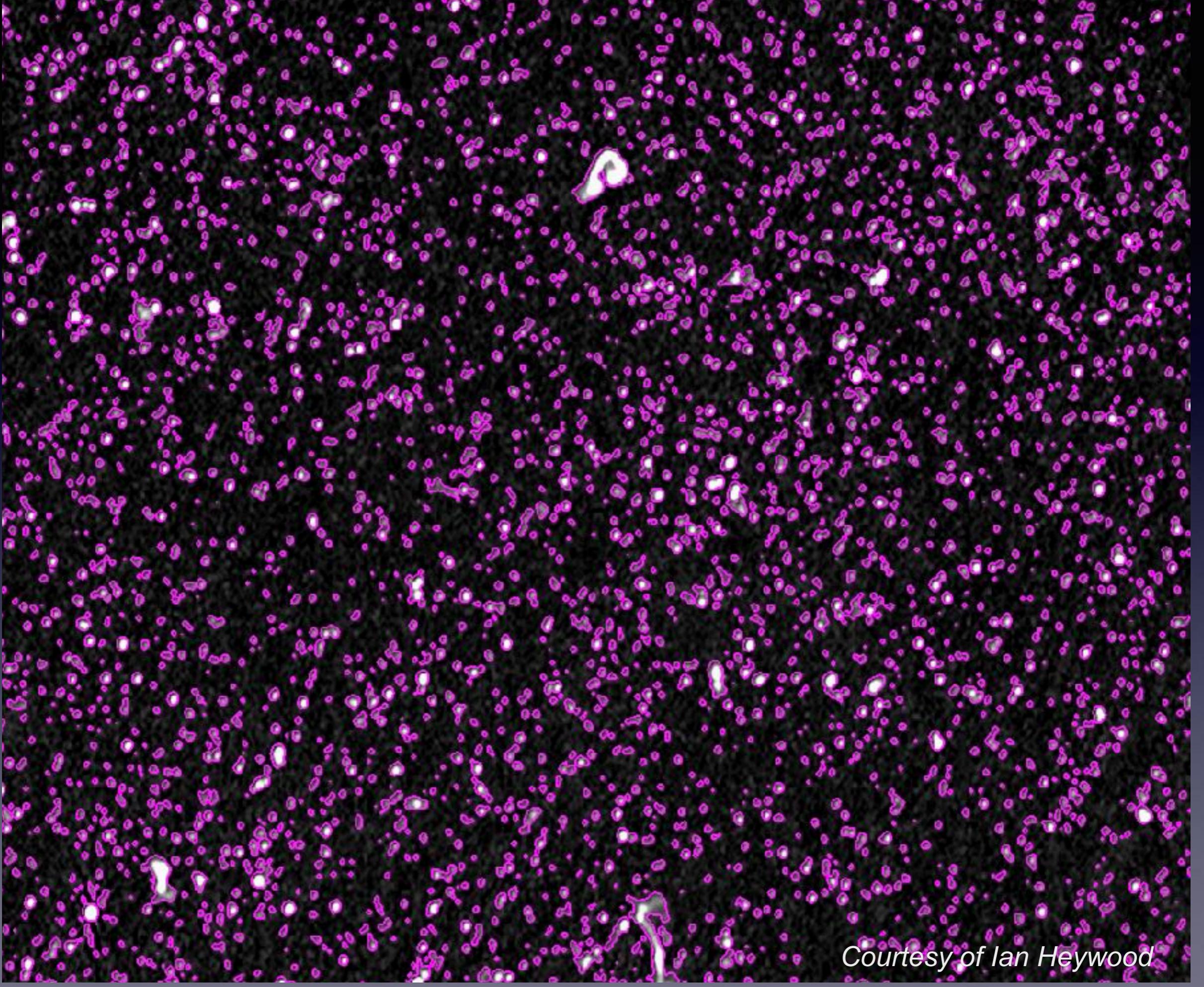
COSMOS Continuum



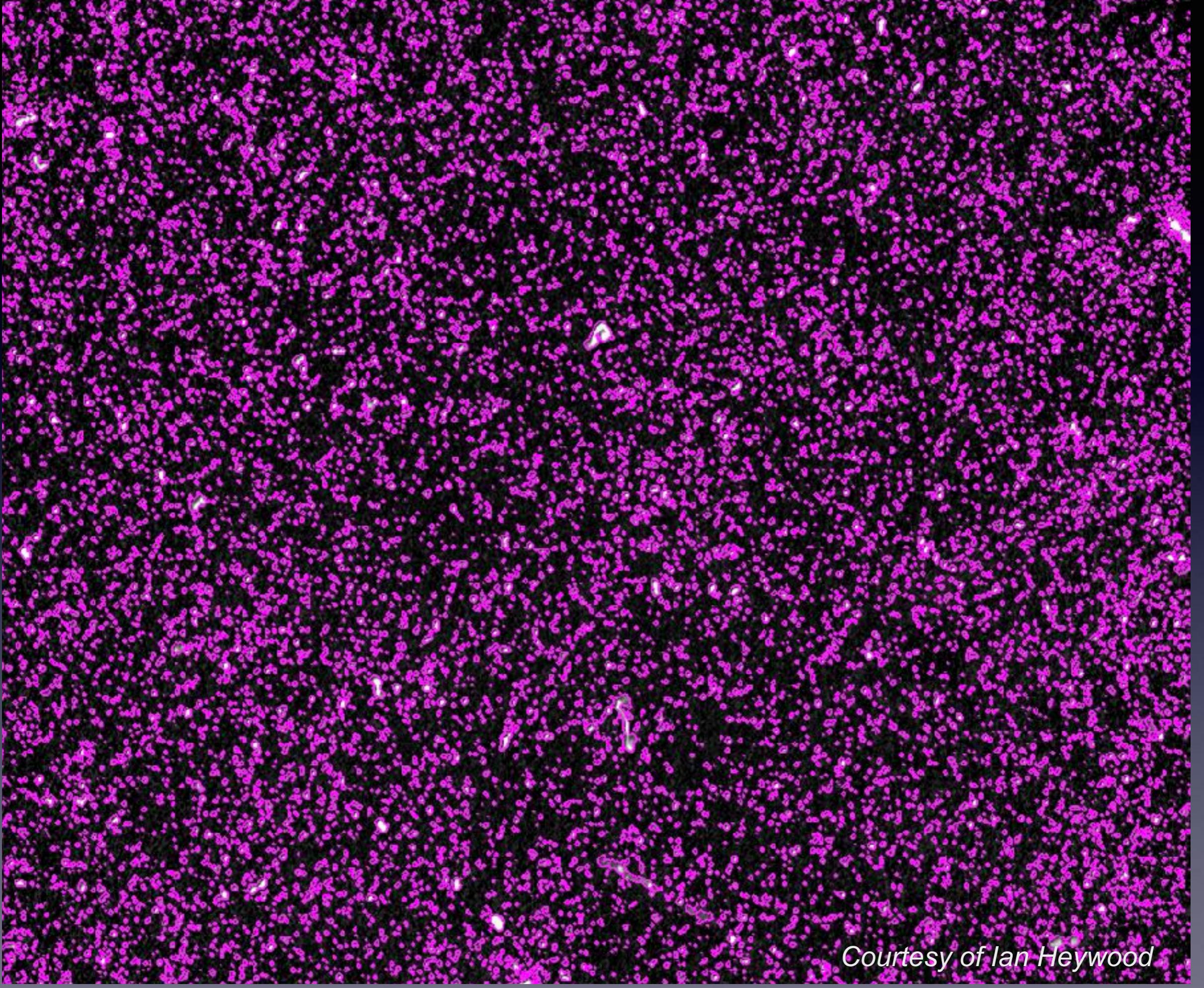
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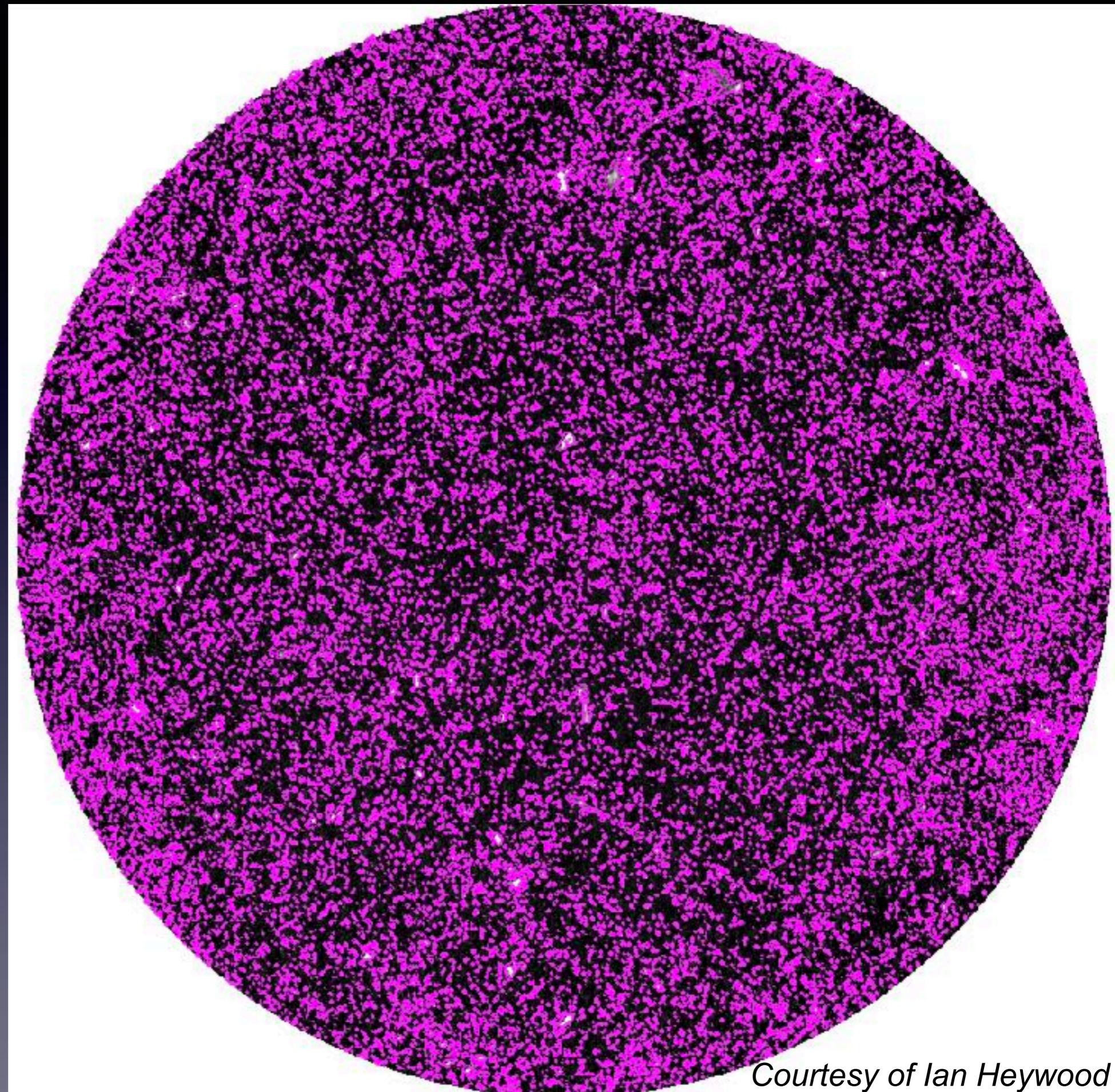


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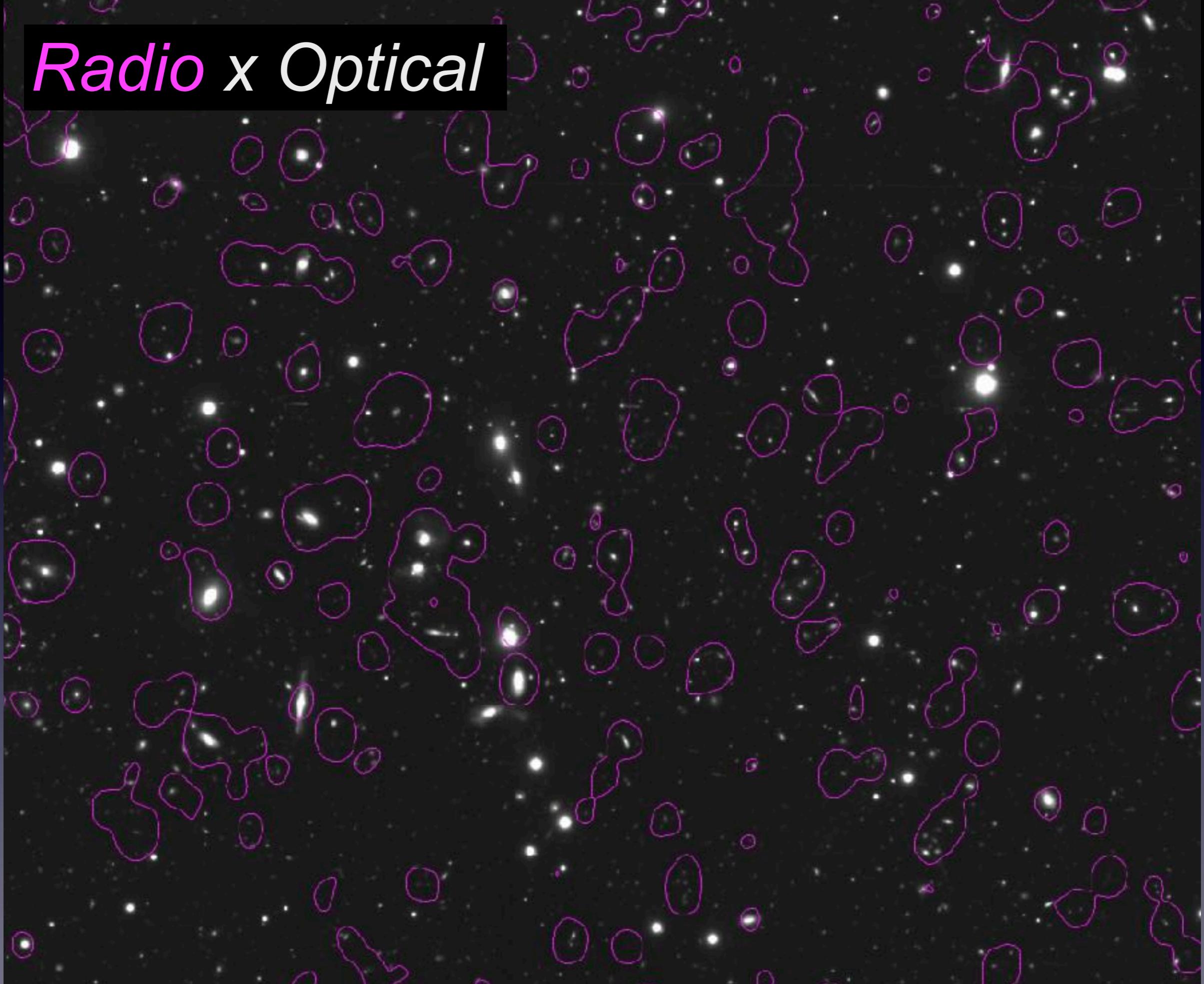
COSMOS

- 1.4deg across
- Restoring beam:
8.4" x 6.8"
- Thermal noise:
~1.7 uJy / beam
- 17.45h on source
- ~9000 sources



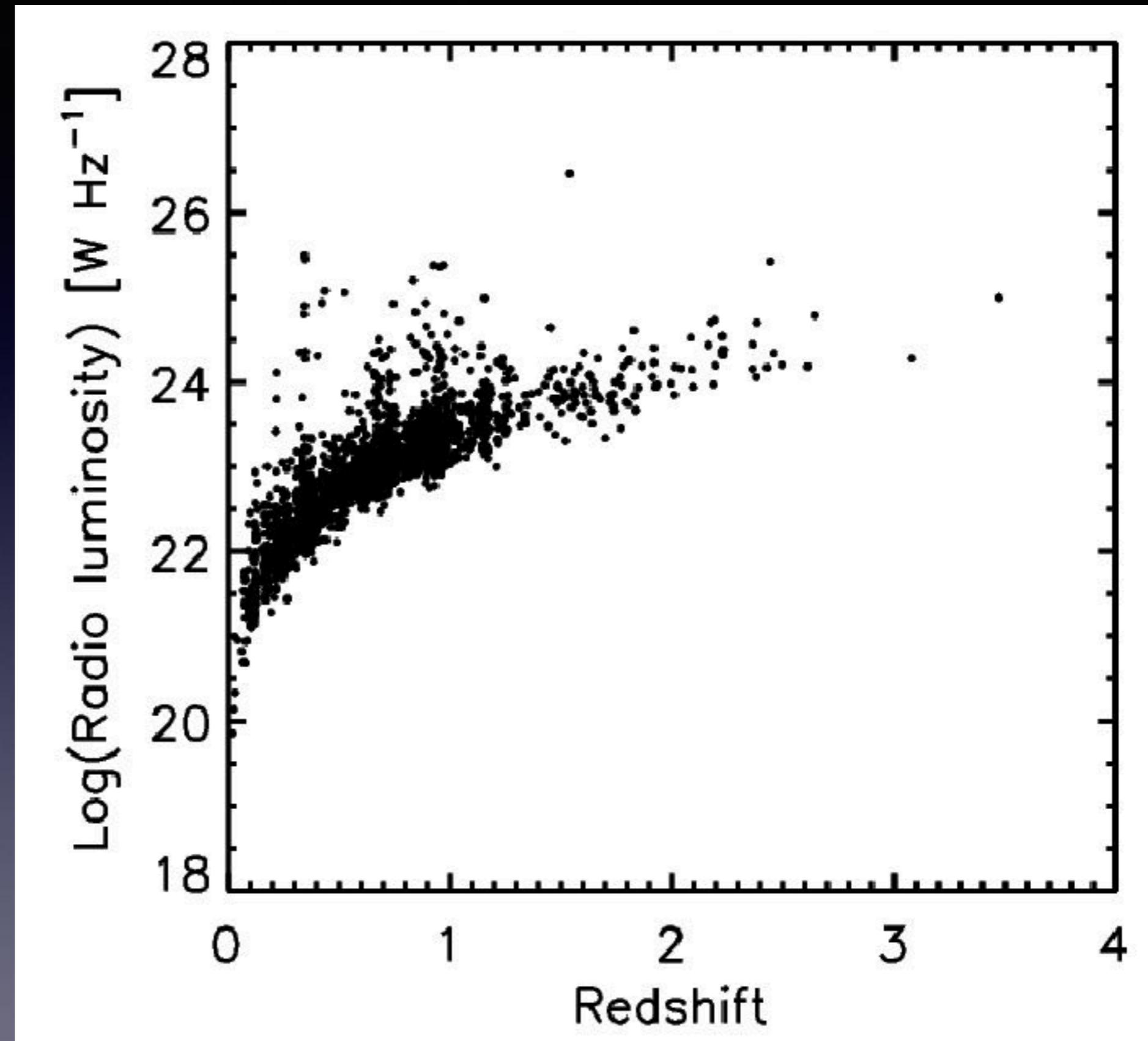
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Radio x Optical



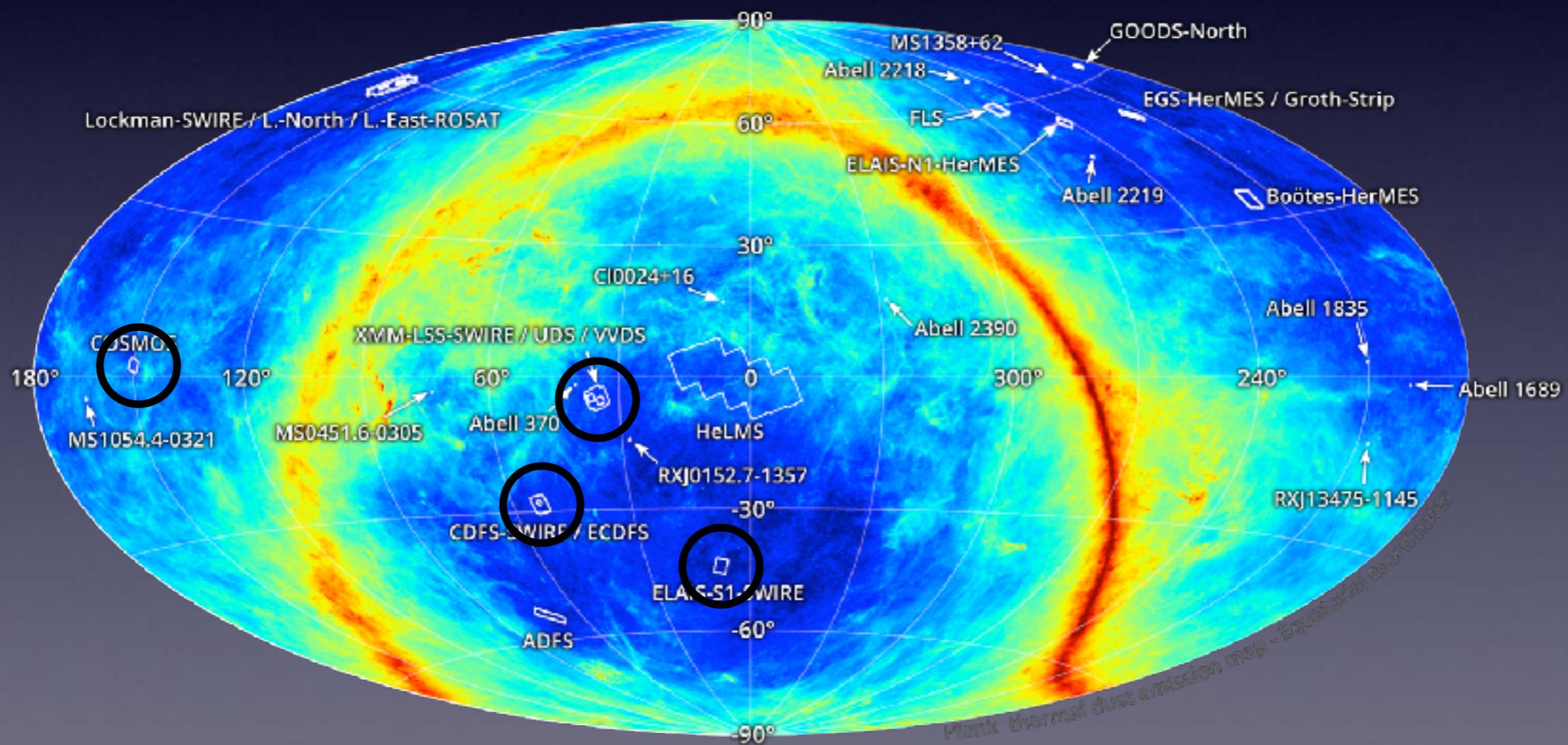
COSMOS

- uGRIZYJHKs + Spitzer + Herschel photometry → SED fitting
- Once crossmatched, have luminosity, SFR, stellar mass, etc
- Will have this for 20 square degrees



MIGHTEE-HI

- Observations are taken in spectral line mode → commensal HI survey
- Working group coordinating HI science (co-chairs N Maddox & B Frank)
- Frequency coverage $1420 < \nu < 900$ MHz, or $0 < z < 0.58$ for HI
- Early Science (“4k mode”) 44 km/s channels, full science (“32k”) 5.5 km/s



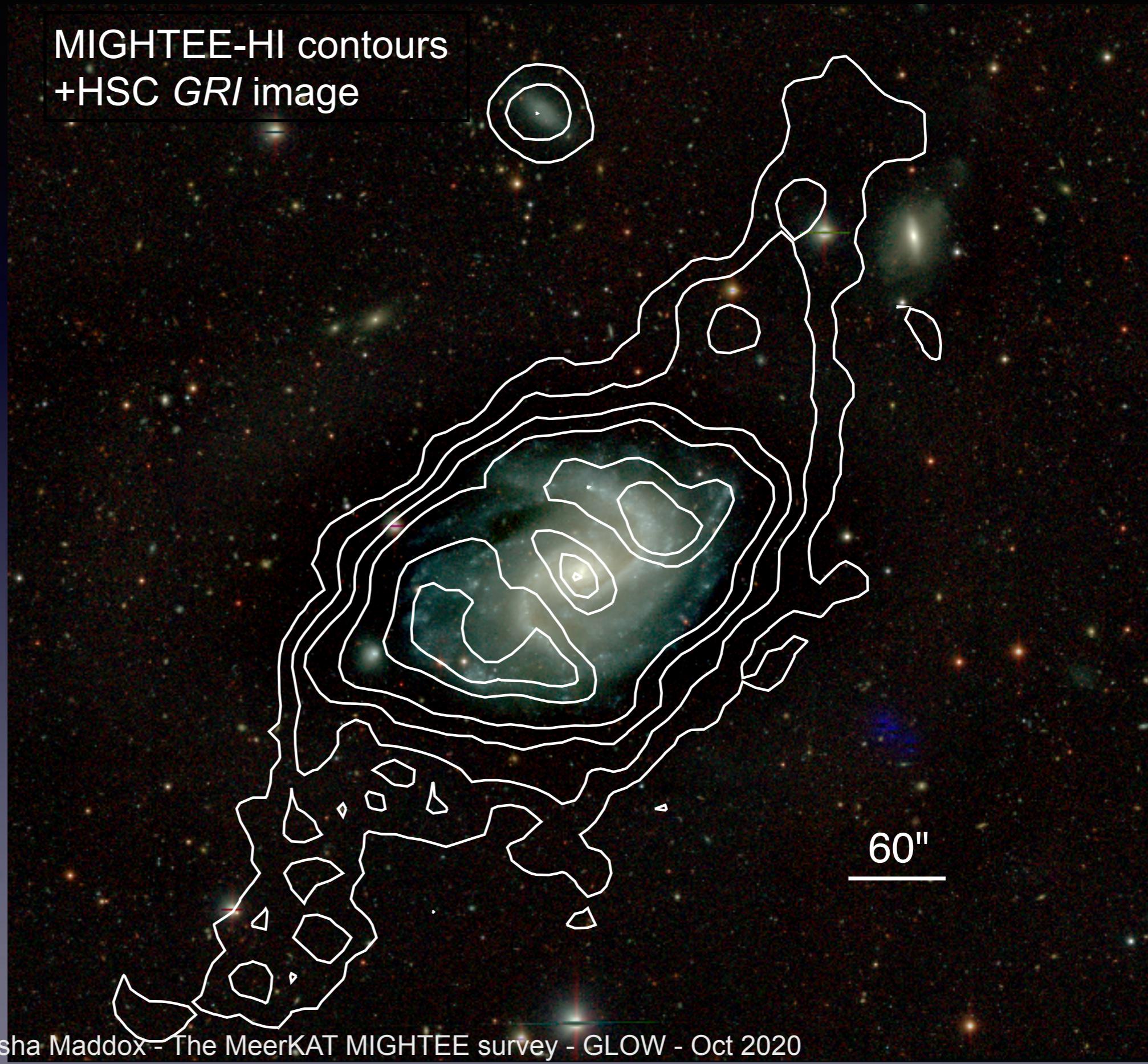
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Science cases for MIGHTEE-HI:

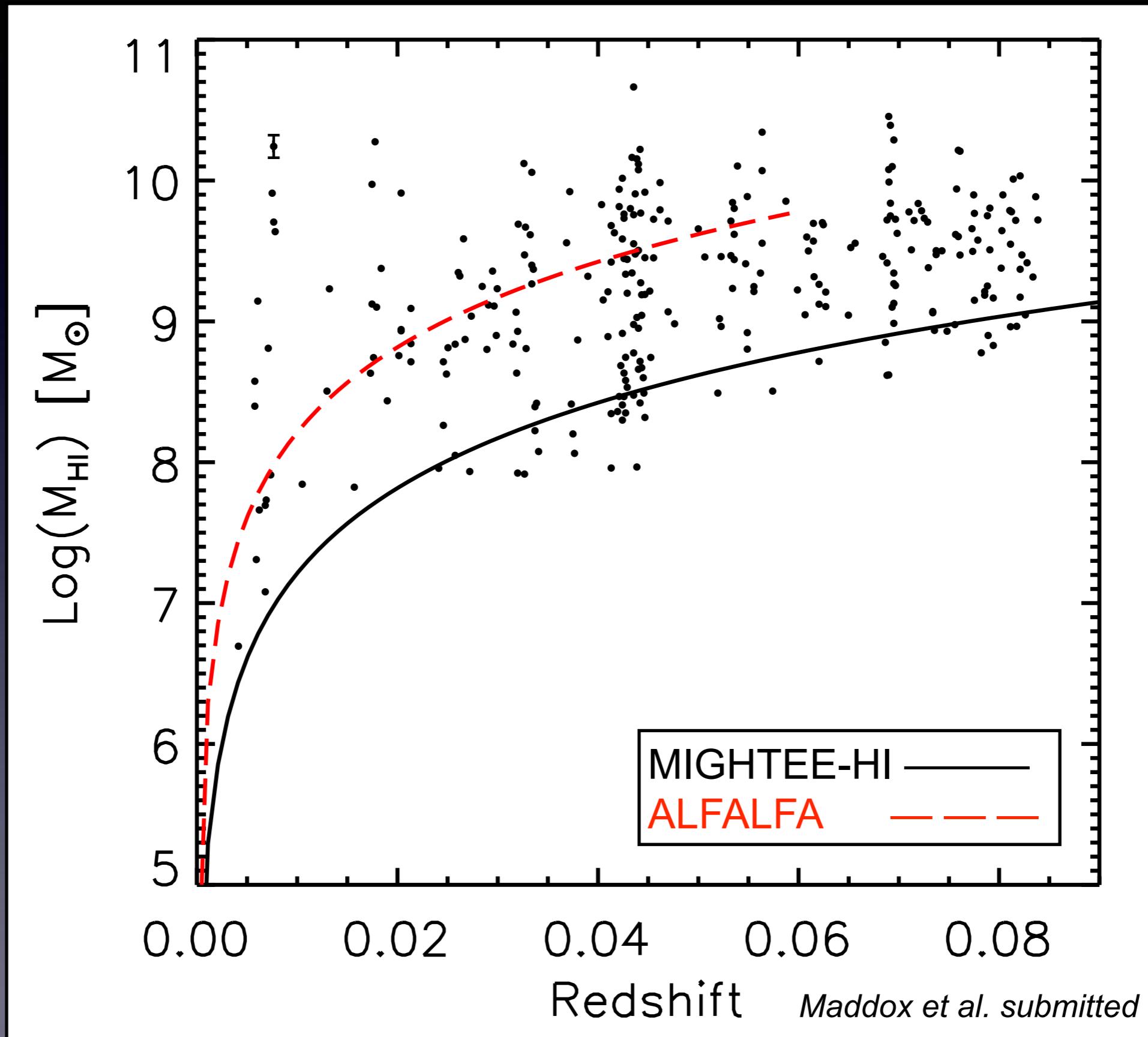
- *Large area, increased redshift range* → HIMF, HI evolution
- *Resolved galaxies* → dynamics, TF relation
- *Low mass galaxies* → Too big to fail, too shy to shine
- *Continuum synergy* → HI-rich galaxies are also starforming
- *HI as a function of environment* → groups, clusters, filaments, voids
- *HI as a function of stellar properties* → star formation, stellar mass
- *HI and AGN* → emission, absorption, fueling, feedback
- *Statistical techniques* → Stacking
- *Simulations/Modelling/Visualization* → HI cycle
- etc...

GLOW 2019: individual HI detections

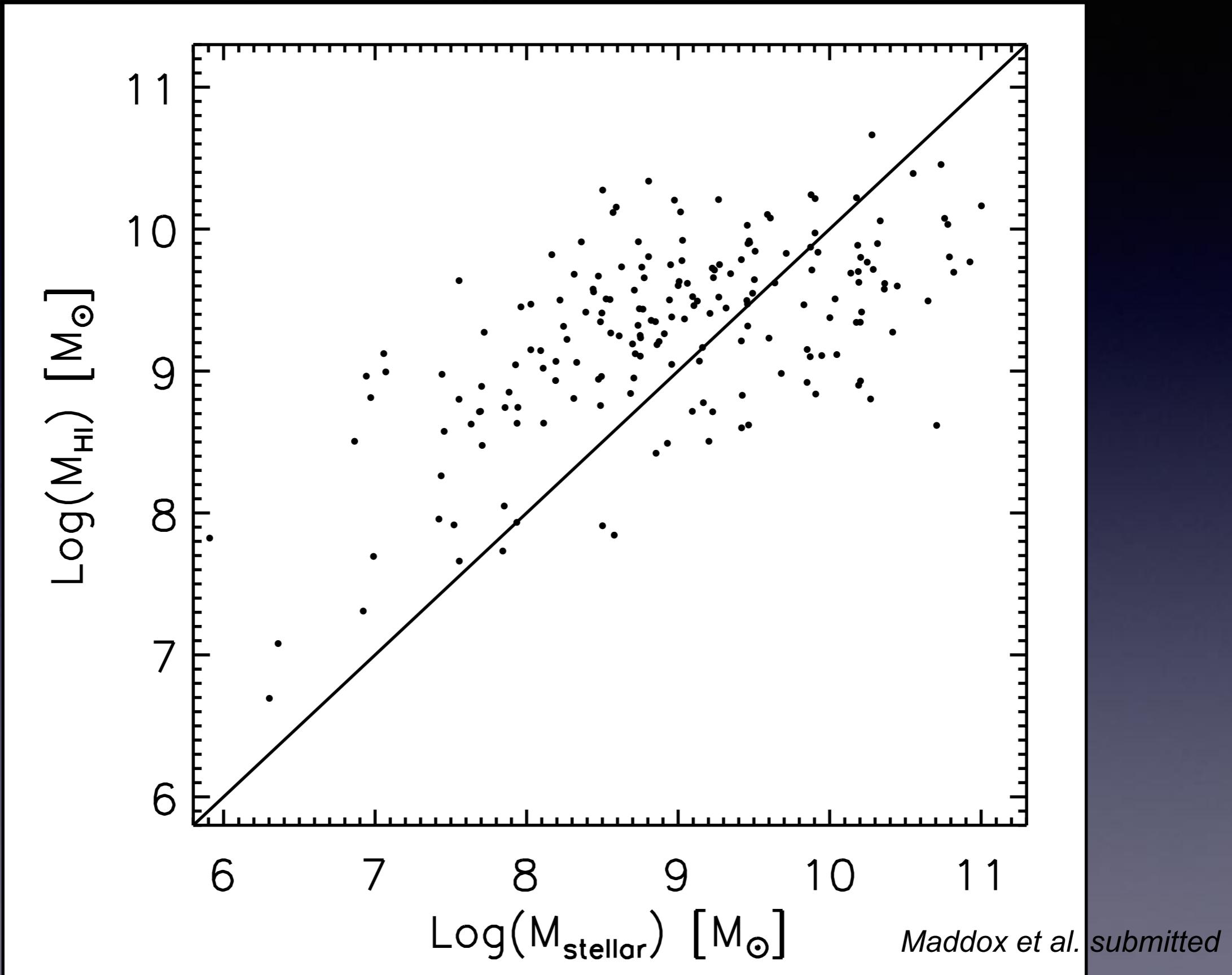
- Lowest contour
 $1 \times 10^{20} \text{ atoms cm}^{-2}$
- Mass of NGC895
 $M_{\text{HI}} = 1.7 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$
- Mass of companion
 $M_{\text{HI}} = 5 \times 10^7 M_{\odot}$



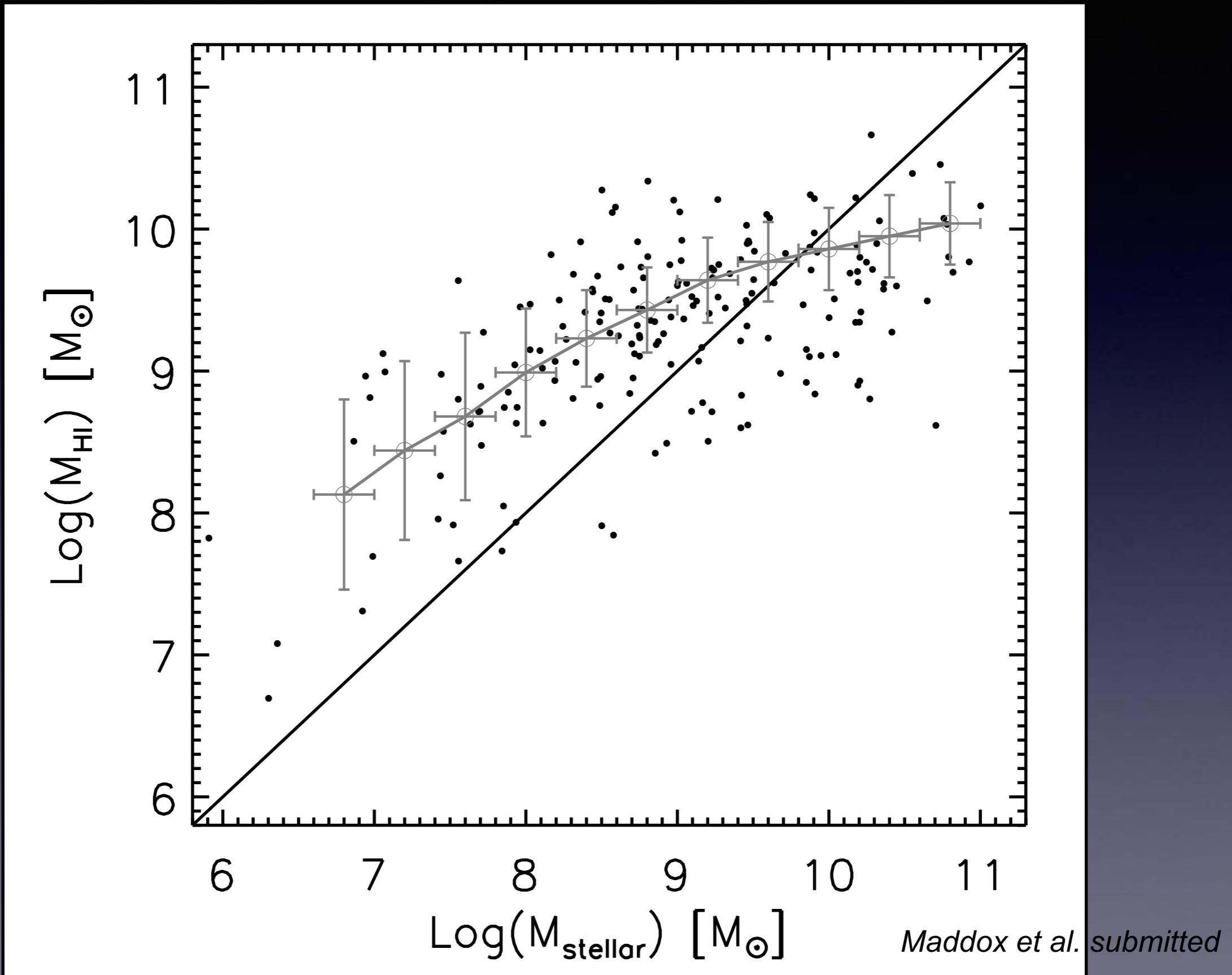
GLOW 2020: ensemble of ~350 Early Science galaxies



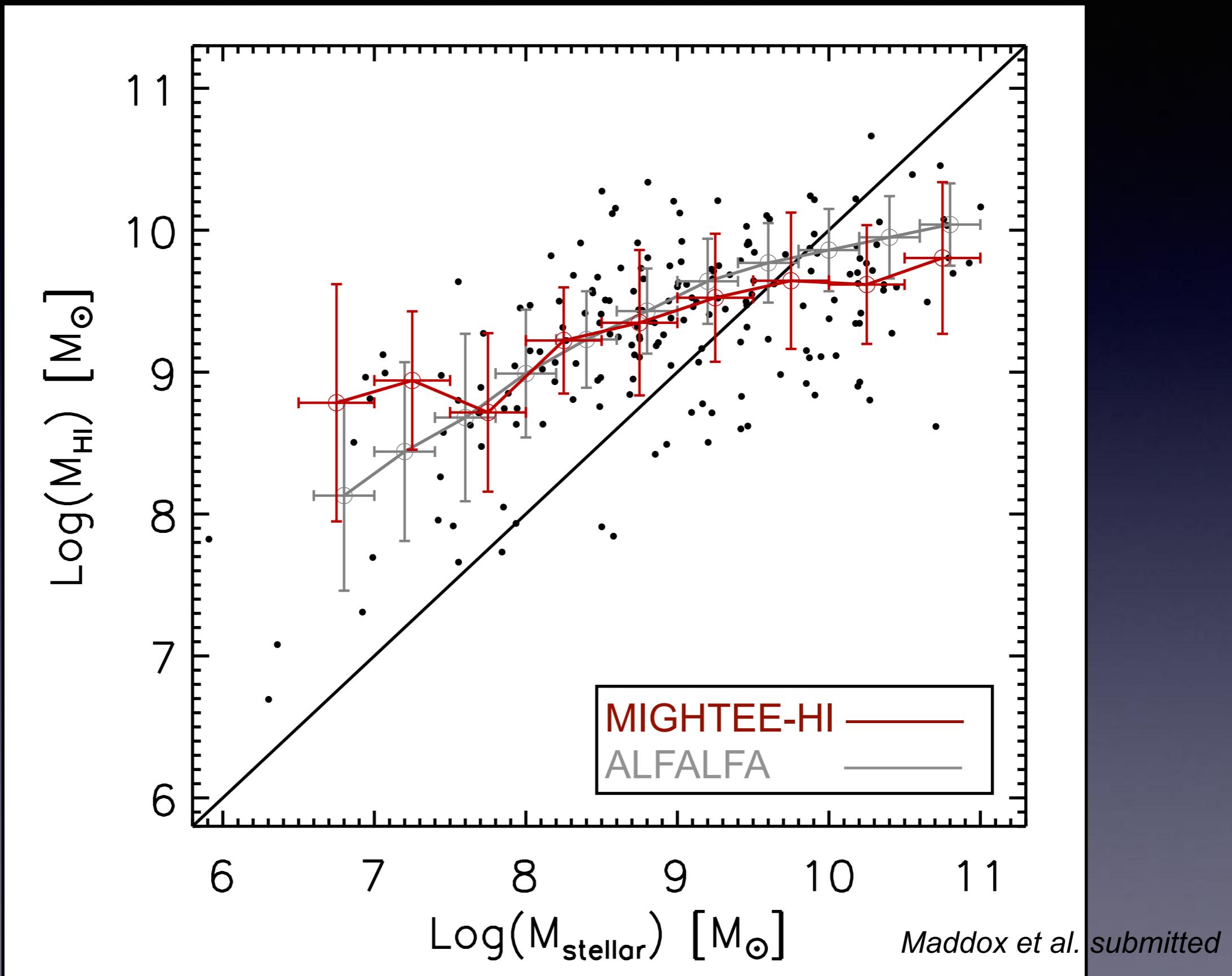
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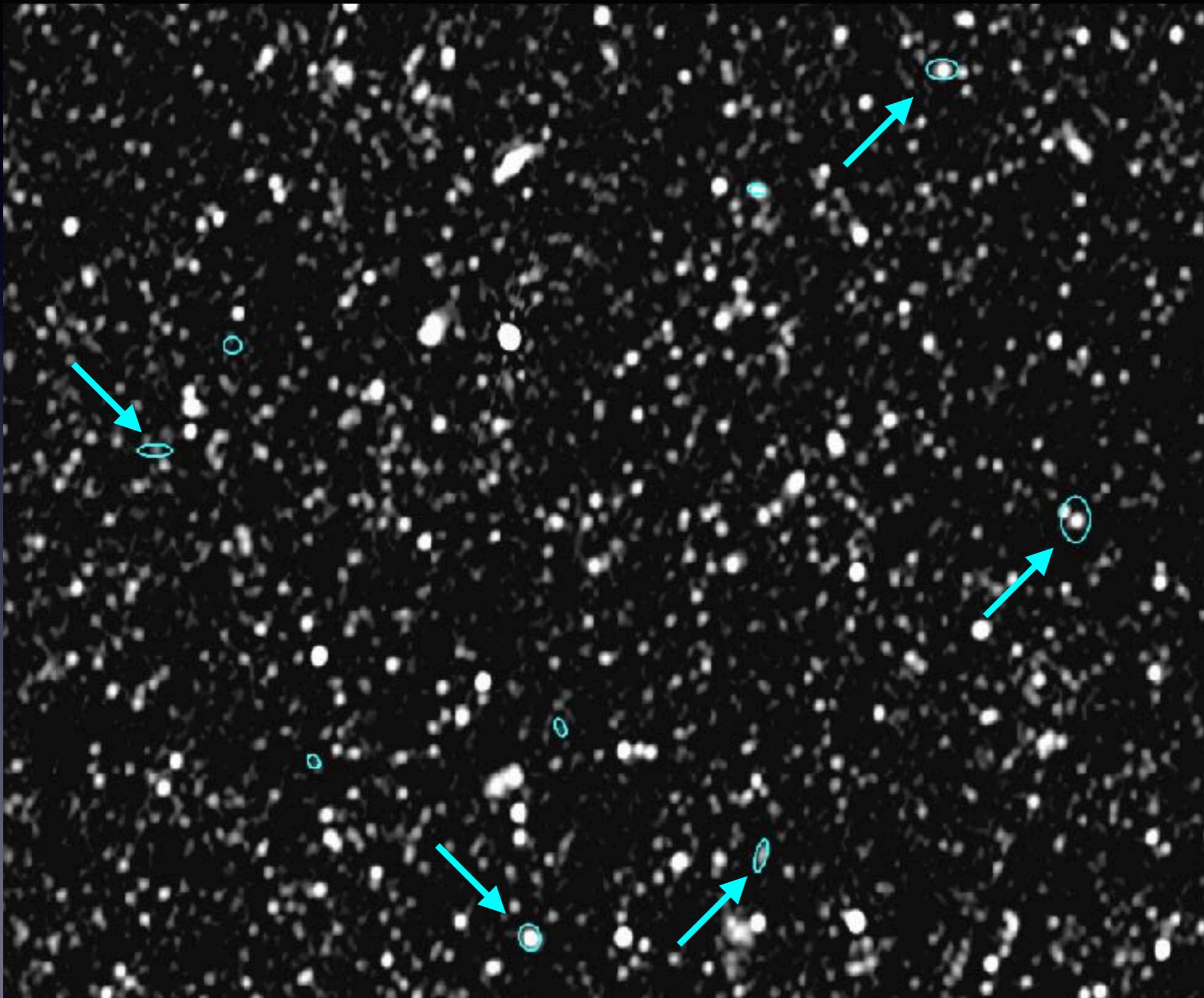


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MIGHTEE-HI x *MIGHTEE*

- HI-rich galaxies are star forming, should be visible in continuum



MIGHTEE Survey progress:

- 5 deg² Early Science (COSMOS + part of XMMLSS) data reduced
 - ✓ HI catalogues available, continuum catalogues mostly available
 - ✓ A 1310—1420MHz HI cube, >3deg², 4k resolution = 33Gb
- Ongoing: 484 hours of observations (400h on source) completed
- Observations taken in all MIGHTEE fields, in 32k mode
- Reduction strategy set and functional
- Data reach expected sensitivity (~2uJy/beam continuum)
- ✓ HI: 8 Early Science projects underway with 2 papers submitted
- ✓ Continuum: >20 Early Science projects underway with 3 submitted