

**F**ive-hundred-meter **A**perture **S**pherical radio **T**elescope **FAST**

# 聒噪的宇宙



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# Immanuel Kant (1724–1804)



## «The Critique of Pure Reason» Preface

Human reason, in one sphere of its cognition, is called upon to consider questions, which it cannot decline, as they are presented by its own nature;

but which it cannot answer, as they transcend every faculty of the mind.

# In Search of the True Universe

The Tools, Shaping, and Cost of Cosmological Thought

Martin Harwit



## Looking Back

Between the end of World War II and the early 1970s, astronomy was enriched through the discovery of some 14 new and unanticipated major phenomena listed below. Only two of the discoveries resulted from observations in the optical regime. Both could well have been made with instrumentation available before World War II, or with marginally improved techniques. These two involved:

Magnetic Variable stars, 1947, and  
Flare stars, 1949

But twelve other major discoveries became possible only through the use of techniques and instrumentation initially designed for military purposes during World War II or the Cold War. This list of discoveries included:

Radio galaxies, 1946-54

X-ray stars, 1962

Quasars, 1963

The Cosmic microwave background, 1965

Infrared stars, 1965

X-ray galaxies, 1966

Cosmic masers, 1967

Pulsars, 1967

Superluminal radio sources, 1971

Infrared galaxies, 1970-72

Interstellar magnetic fields, 1972

Gamma-ray bursts, 1973

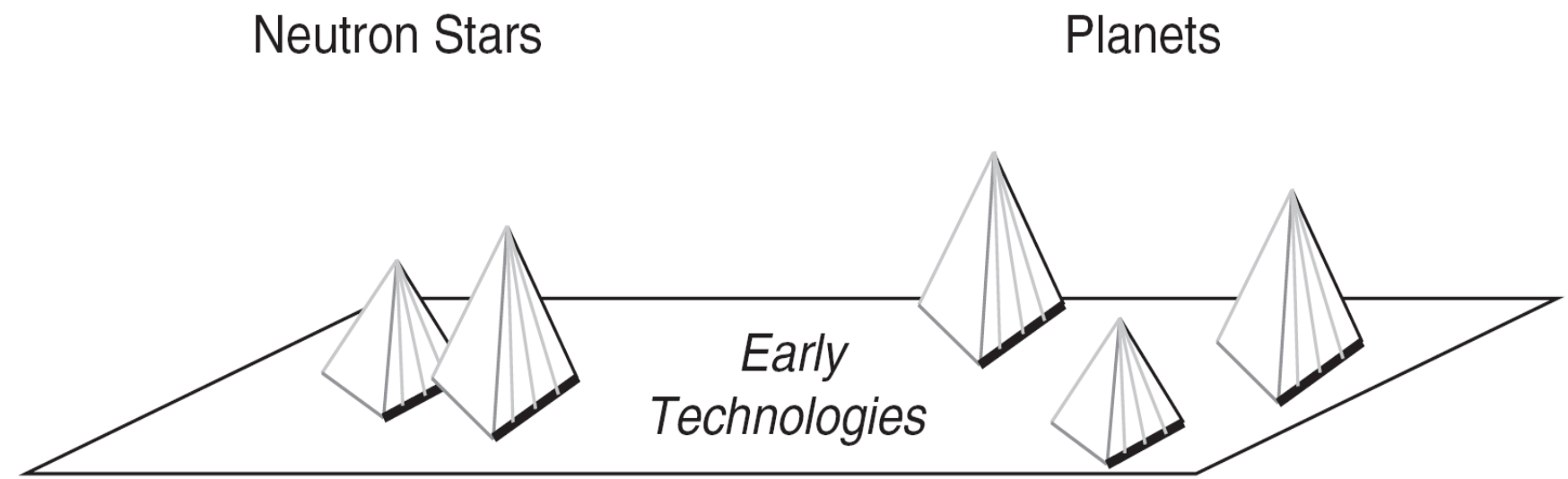
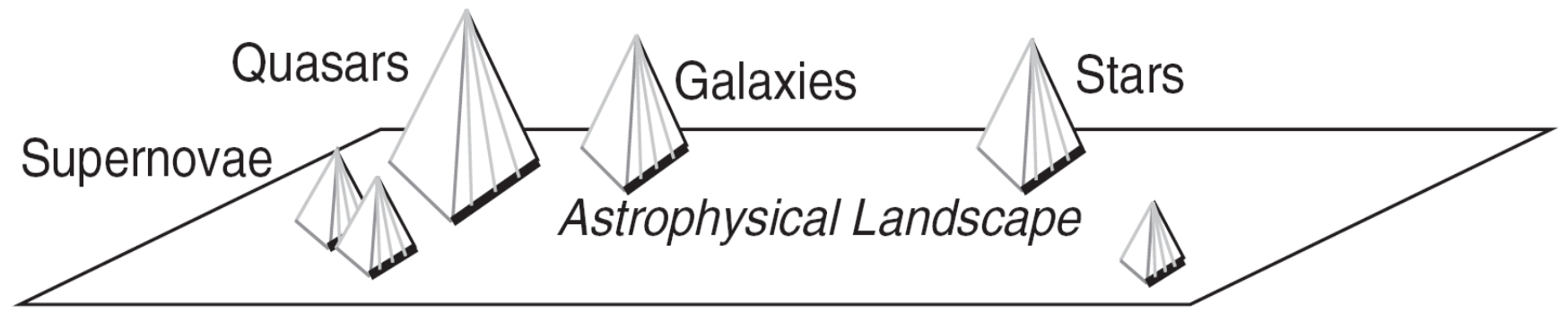
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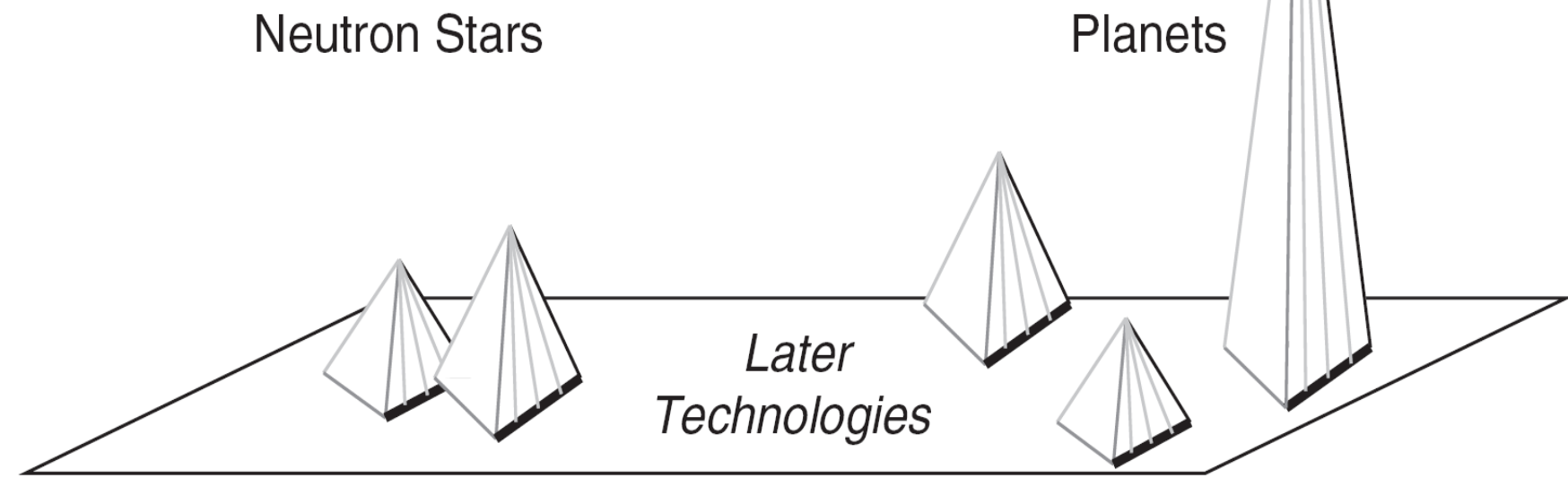
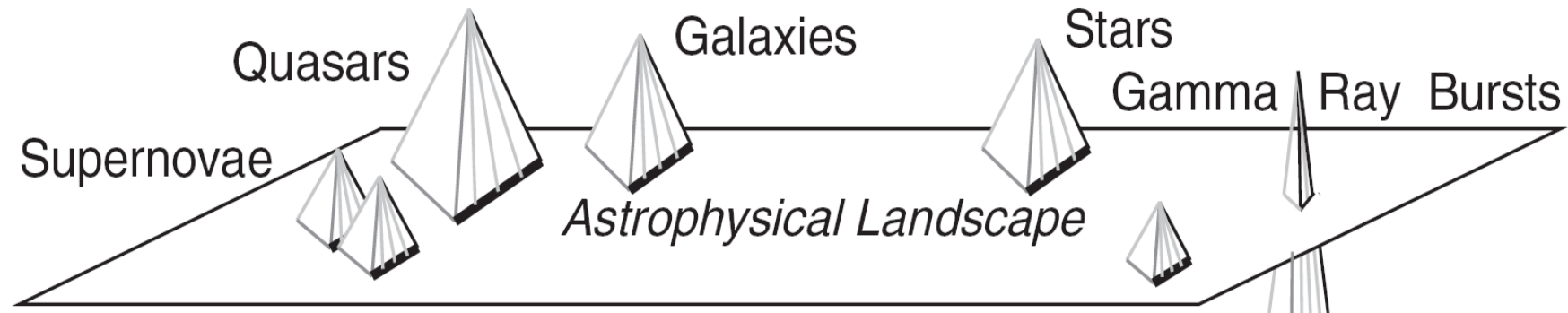
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BEFORE  
GAMMA-  
RAY  
SENSORS  
WERE  
AVAILABLE  
IN SPACE



AFTER  
GAMMA-  
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SENSORS  
BECAME  
AVAILABLE  
IN SPACE





**FAST**

*Guizhou, China*



**Arecibo**  
*Puerto Rico*

## 美丽的“错误”

H H SPRINGER

DATE: Thursday, May 29, 1958  
TIME: 4:45 PM (Following tea at 4:16 pm)  
PLACE: Phillips 101  
SPRINGER: W. E. Gordon, Cornell University

Free electrons in an ionized medium scatter radio waves incoherently so weakly that the power scattered has previously not been seriously considered. Calculations show that this incoherent scattering, while weak, is detectable with a powerful radar. A radar with components each representing the best of the present state of the art is capable of

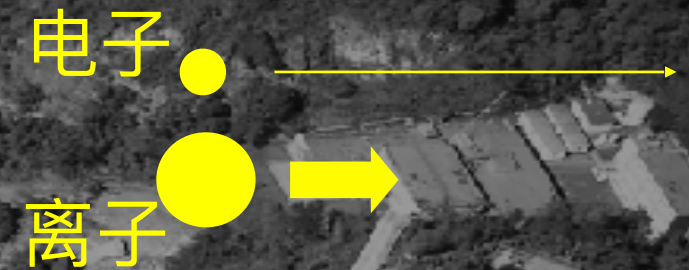
1. measuring electron density and electron temperature as a function of height and time at all levels in the earth's ionosphere and to heights of one or more earth's radii
2. measuring auroral ionization
3. detecting transient streams of charged particles coming from outer space
4. exploring the existence of a ring current

The capabilities listed above depend on the incoherent scattering of radio waves by free electrons. In addition the instrument is capable of

1. obtaining radar echoes from the sun, Venus, and Mars and possibly from Jupiter and Mercury, and
2. receiving from certain parts of remote space hitherto undetected sources of radiation at meter wavelengths.



报告人: William E. Gordon  
地点: 康奈尔大学电子工程系  
时间: May 29, 1958



Scatter from individual electrons

=> Echo bandwidth of 100s of kHz=》需要**数百米级天线!**

Ken Bowles (美国国家标准局)

– bandwidth reflected ion velocities not electron velocities.

**Gordon: 1958 URSI meeting**

公布了修正的结果**只需几十米天线**。但是康奈尔大学和

**ARPA**–(A**A**dvanced **R**esearch **P**rojects **A**gency)

**依然**决定资助**超大型**望远镜!

## 大国博弈



苏联  
Sputnik

1957.10.4



1957.12.16

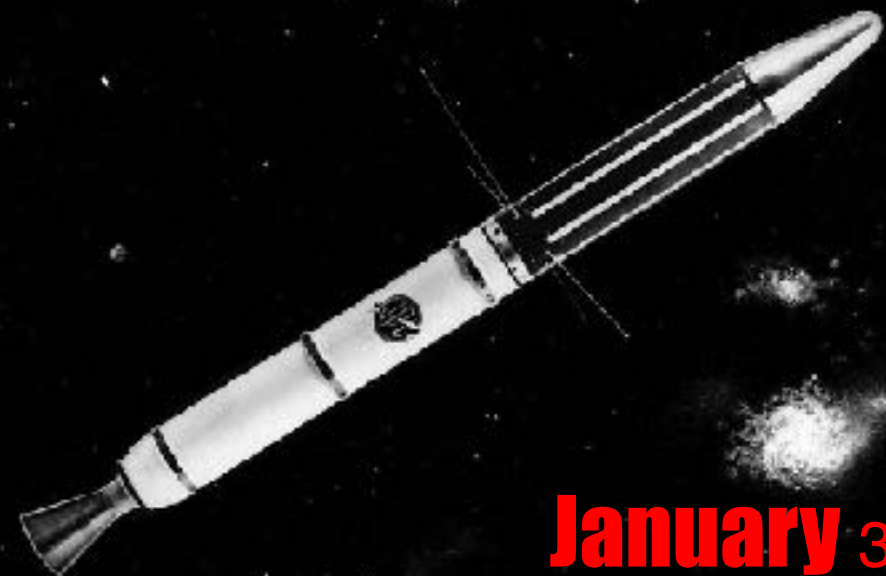
美国海军  
首次卫星实验



# JPL

Jet Propulsion Laboratory

California Institute of Technology



January 31, 1958





# “和平”的太空竞赛

# 1946-1958



“This is the President of the United States speaking. Through the marvels of scientific advance, my voice is coming to you from a satellite circling in outer space. My message is a simple one. Though this unique means, I convey to you and all mankind, America's wish for peace on earth and good will to men everywhere.”

**National Aeronautics and Space Agency**

July, 1958; 美国政府通过建立“航空航天局”

航天计划从ARPA转向NASA



- Internal conflicts of capitalism inevitably generate wars.
- Much depends on health and vigor of our own society

(赢得冷战) 我们必须规划和展现一个远比过去更为正面的和有建设性的世界蓝图。

乔治-凯南“长电报”-1946

“Long Telegram” 1946

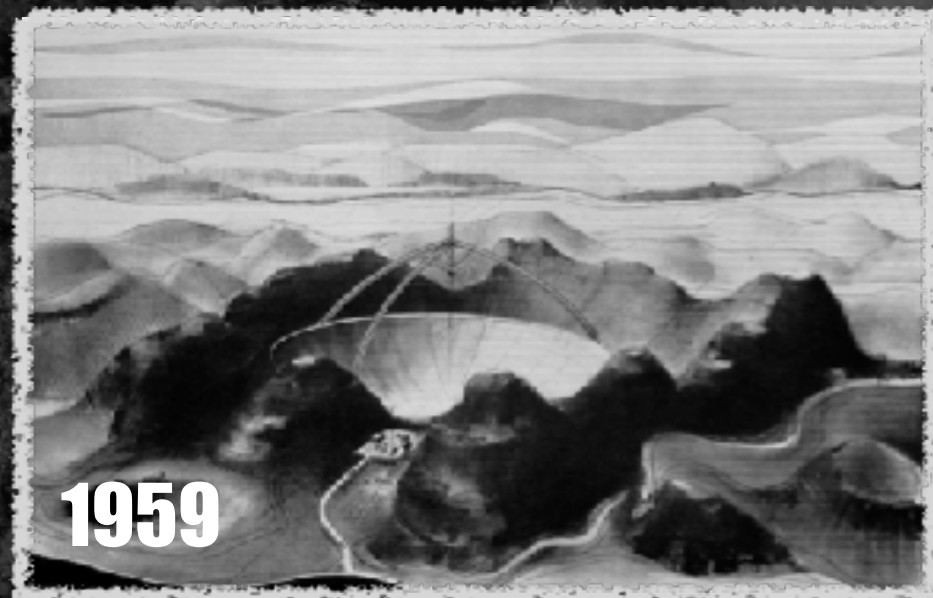
# Arecibo: 巨人的梦想

1963

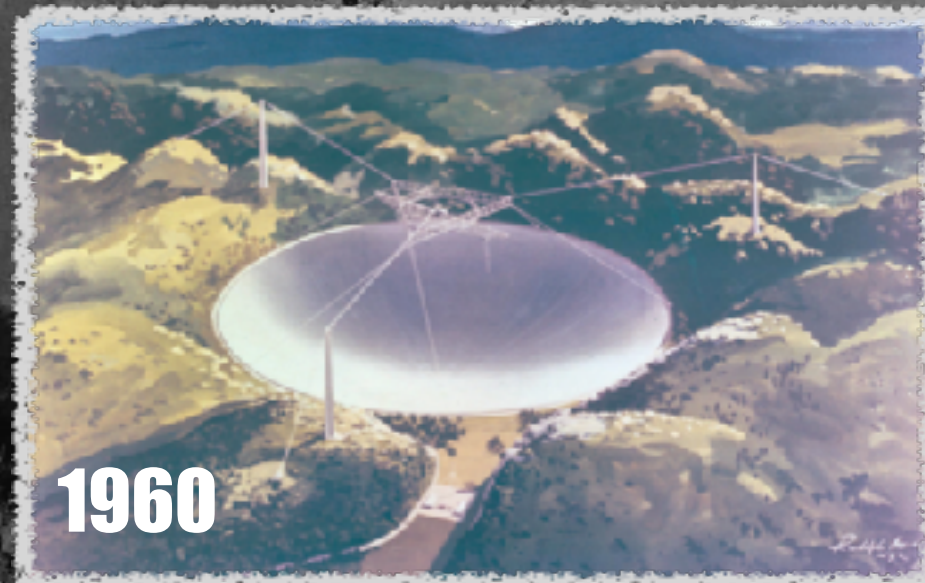
Cornell faculty, William Gordon, proposed the project around 1958 to

**ARPA**—(**A**dvanced **R**esearch **P**rojects **A**gency)

- **Construction between 1960-1963**
- **Total cost: \$9.3M**



1959



1960



1963

1973-1993

# 发现 • 双中子星

## 阿雷西博望远镜里程碑

“We find that Einstein’s theory passes this extraordinarily stringent test with a fractional accuracy better than 0.4%”

“It necessarily follows that gravitational radiation exists and has a quadrupolar nature.”

**Gravitational Wave Exists!**

— — Nobel speech by J.Taylor (1993)



2016.9.25

1996

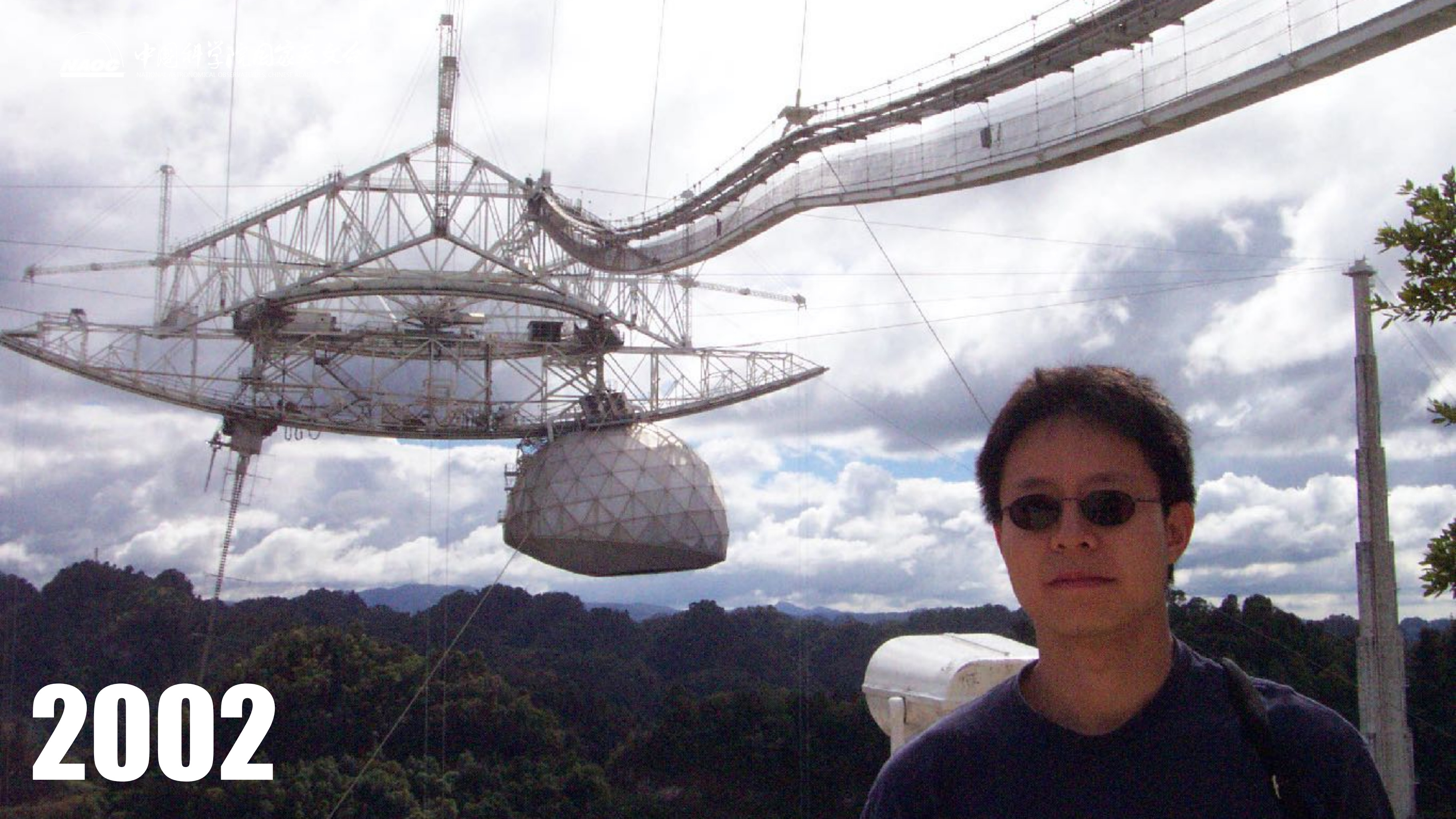


南仁东

邱育海

SHOT ON MI 9  
PHOTO BY QIU

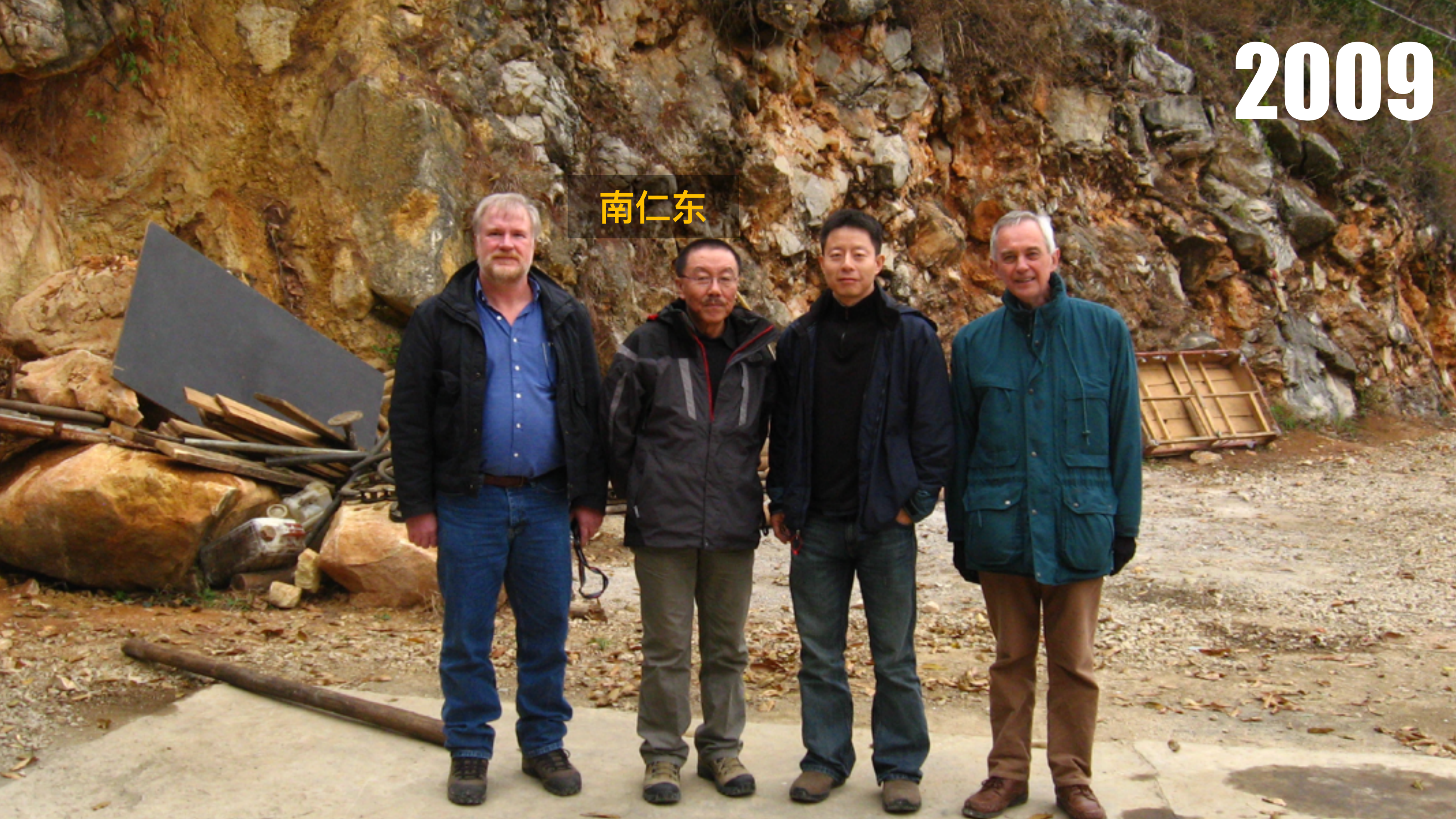




2002

2009

南仁东



# 2012

2012年2月14日

“射电天文前沿及FAST早期科学”973项目启动会



2013







**2015-2016**



**first light**  
**2016.9.19**

# Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope **FAST**

## 世界最大射电望远镜

工期5年半，造价11.5亿  
(Nan et al. 2011; Li et al. 2018)

- 4500 主动反射面
- 30 吨悬吊精控馈源仓
- 6 座高超百米支撑塔
- 数10万根光纤



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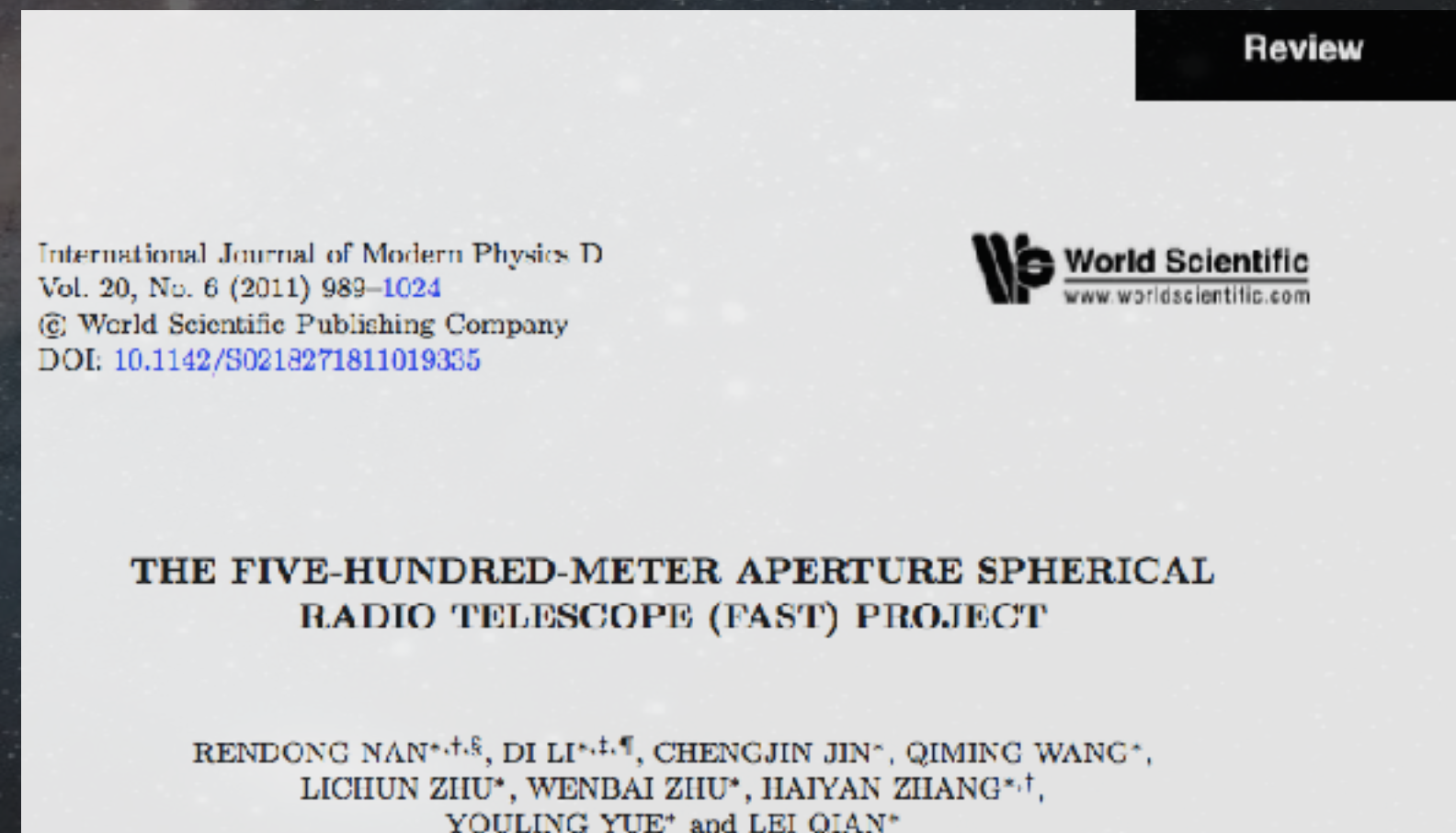


# I Observables

- a) HI 21cm (imaging & galaxies)
- b) Pulsars (FRBs)
- c) Molecular Spectroscopy
- d) VLBI
- e) SETI

**NO** large-scale survey has simultaneously observed HI and pulsar. Why?

continuous coverage  
70 MHz ~ 3 GHz



Nan, **Li**, Jin et al. 2011, IJMR-D, 20, 989  
(>500 google scholar citations)

**Li** & Pan, 2016, Radio Science, 51, 7  
**Li** et al. 2018, IEEE Microwave, Vol. 19, Issue 3

# Commensal Radio Astronomy FAST Survey



unprecedented commensality  
pulsar, galaxy, imaging, and FRB

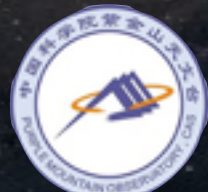
利用高时频噪声注入自主专利技术，**世界首创**了脉冲星搜索、中性氢成像、星系搜索和快速射电暴同时观测巡天。

FAST 'big data' stream

**pulsar:**  $19 \times 8\text{bit} \times 4 \times 4\text{k} \times 2 \times 10^4$  per second

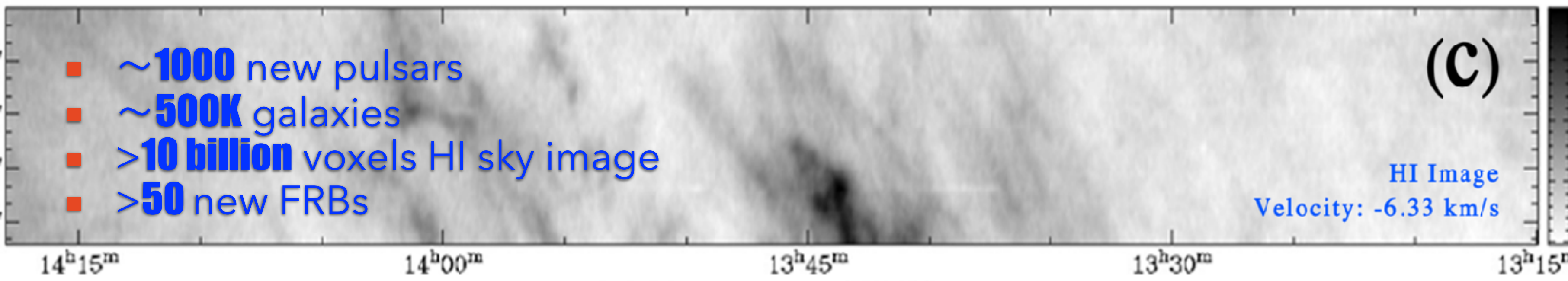
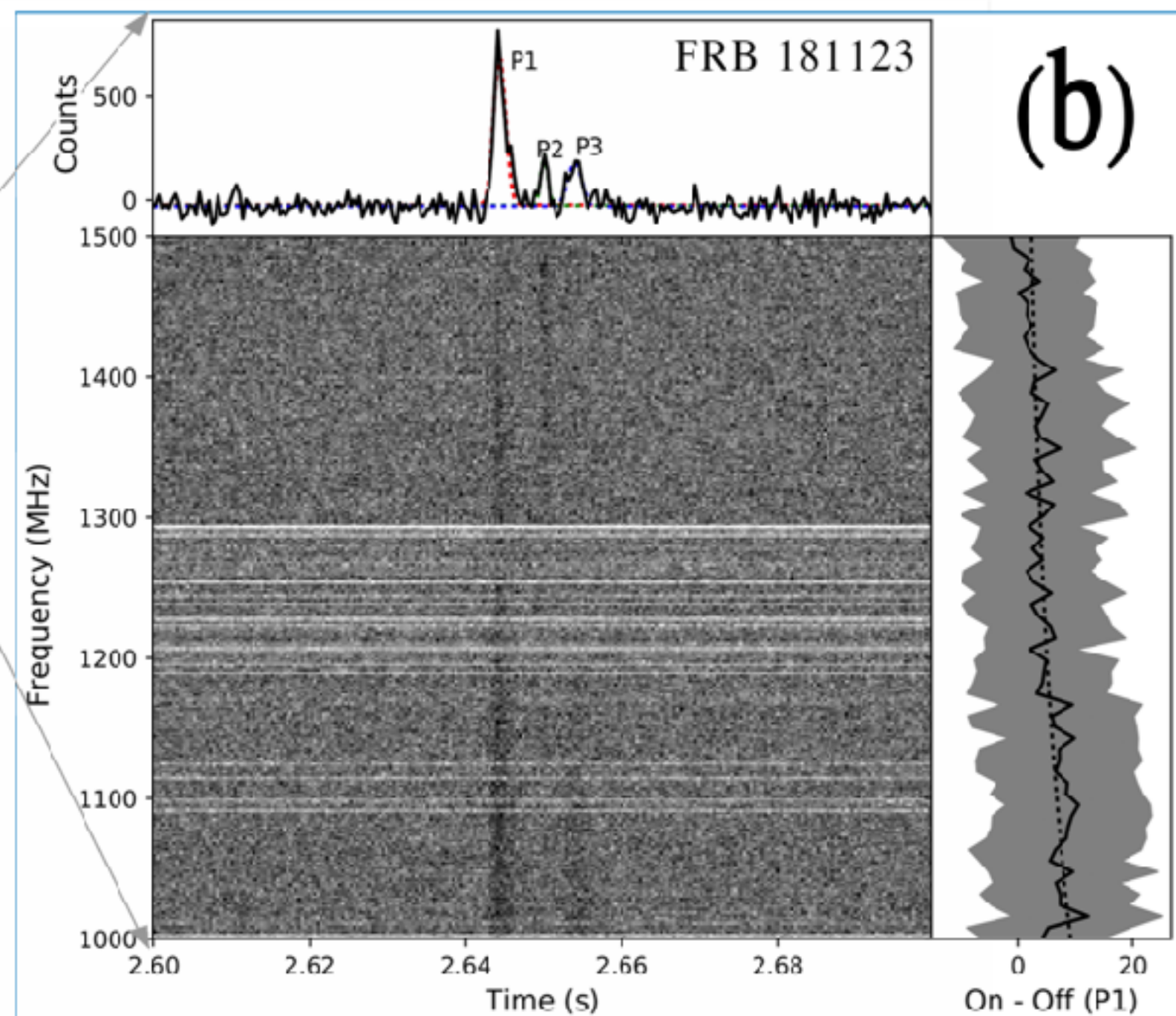
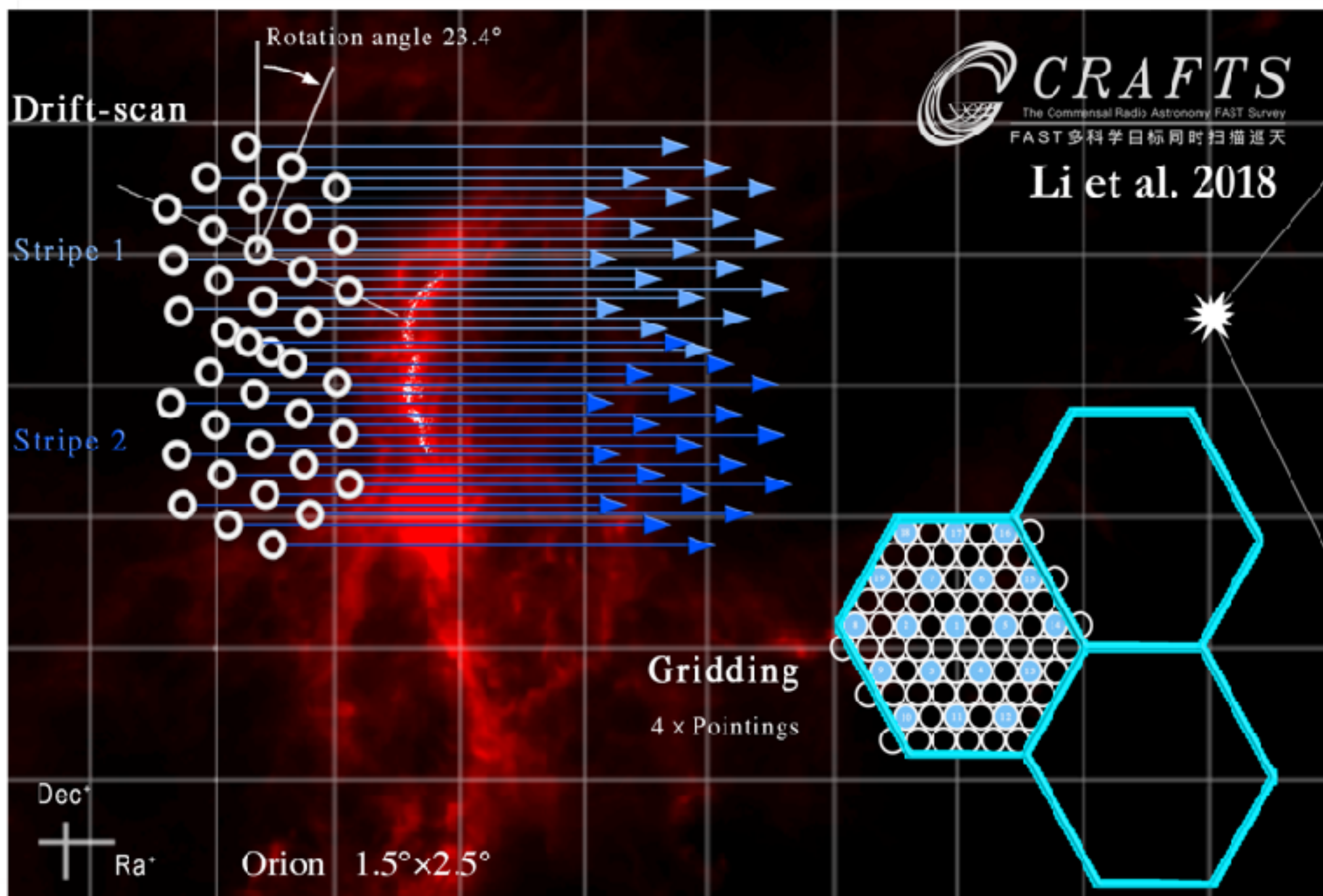
**HI:**  $19 \times 8\text{bit} \times 4 \times 1\text{M} \times 2 / \text{s}$

- 6 GB/s
- 25TB/h
- 550TB/day
- 10 PB/ year



The Commensal Radio Astronomy FAST Survey  
FAST多科学目标同时扫描巡天

Li et al. 2018, Invited Review  
IEEE Microwave, Vol 19, Issue 3, p112



# 2017

## FAST Pulsar# 1

J1859-01

 **CRAFTS**  
The Commensal Radio Astronomy FAST Survey  
FAST多科学目标同时扫描巡天



自转周期:1.832秒

- 距离地球约1.6万光年(色散估计)
- ⊕ 发现时间: FAST 2017/08/22
- ⊙ 验证时间: Parkes 2017/09/10

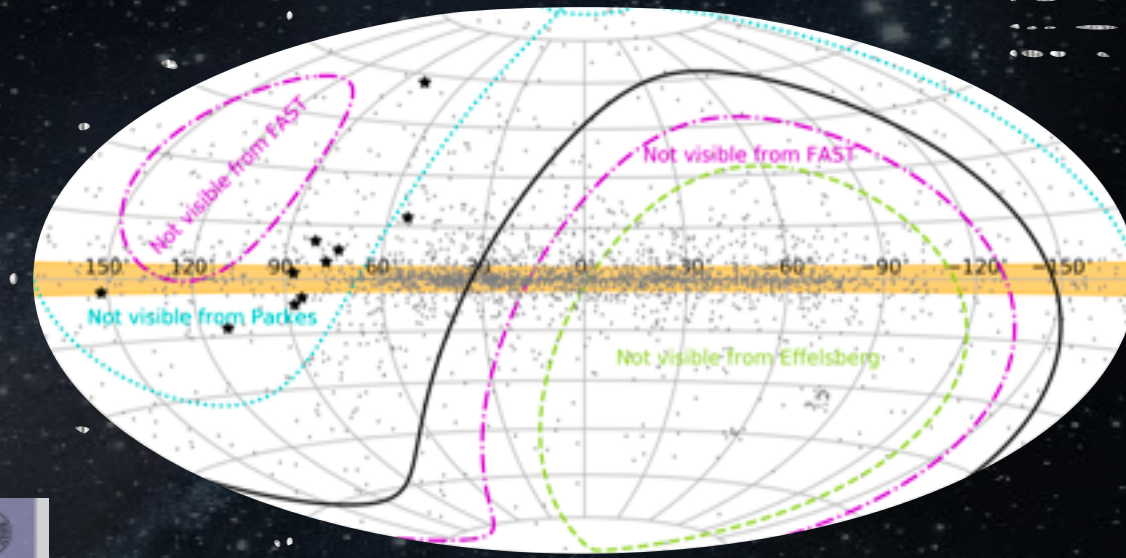
CRAFTS 项目网站: <http://crafts.bao.ac.cn/pulsar/>

## Oct. 10, 2017

# First FAST Science Results

# Systematic Timing of **CRAFTS** pulsars

First papers on systematic follow up timing of FAST pulsars






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## An in-depth investigation of 11 pulsars discovered by FAST

A. D. Cameron , <sup>1,2</sup>★ D. Li , <sup>1,3</sup>★ G. Hobbs , <sup>1,2</sup> L. Zhang, <sup>1,2,3</sup> C. C. Miao, <sup>1,3</sup>

Cameron, **Li** et al. 2020 (MNRAS)

## FAST early discoveries: Effelsberg follow-up

M. Cruces,<sup>1\*</sup> D. Champion,<sup>1</sup> D. Li,<sup>2</sup> M. Kramer,<sup>1</sup> W. W. Zhu,<sup>2</sup> P. Wang,<sup>2</sup> A. D. Cameron,<sup>3,4,5</sup> G. Hobbs,<sup>3</sup> P. Freire,<sup>1</sup> E. Graikou,<sup>1</sup> Y. Mao,<sup>2</sup> and the CRAFTS collaboration

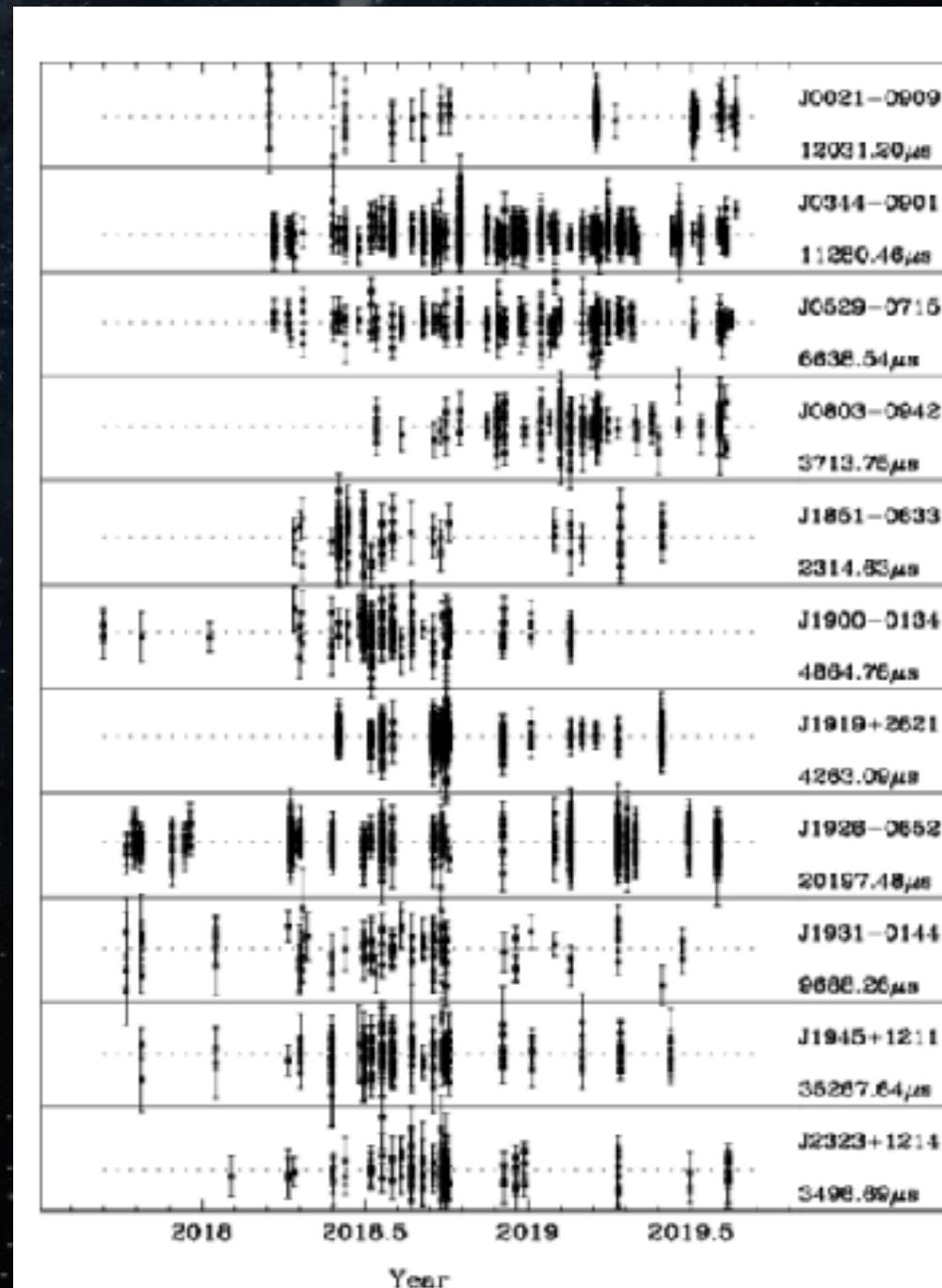
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Cruces, Champion, **Li** et al. 2021 (accepted A&A)

# FAST's first **M**illi-**S**econd **P**ulsar (**MSP**)

3FGL J0318.1+0252  
FL8Y J0318.2+0254

**2018.2.27** 1hr tracking with FAST's UWB

**2018.4.12** Wang, P. et al. detected the signal using GZNU servers

**2018.4.18** C. Clark of the Fermi team identify the  $\gamma$ -ray pulsar counterpart

**2018.4.23** HKU's Pablo confirms its lack of X-ray

**2018.4.28** ATel announcement (Wang et al. Atel#10851, 《SCPMA》)

**2018.5.2** International pulsar timing array (IPTA) distribute the ephemeris to its partners

Fermi unidentified source  
GBT, Arecibo non-detection

# 2018

✗ Arecibo, 327 MHz, 3h  
 $< 60 \mu\text{Jy}$

✓ FAST, 550 MHz, 1h  
 $\sim 60 \mu\text{Jy}$

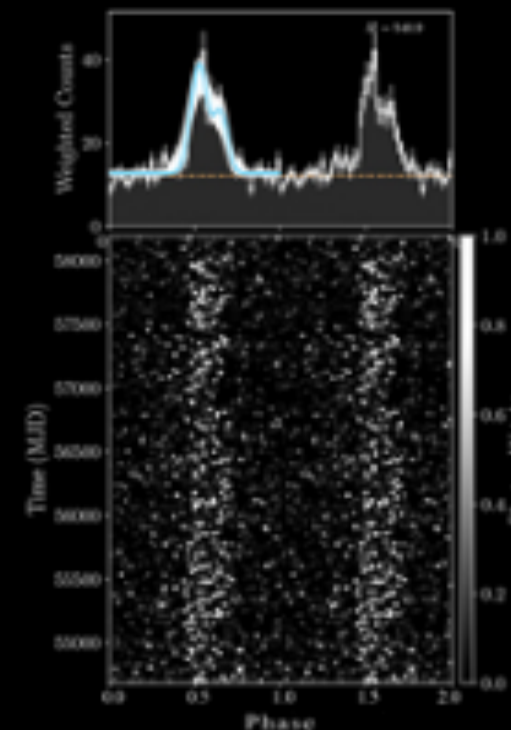
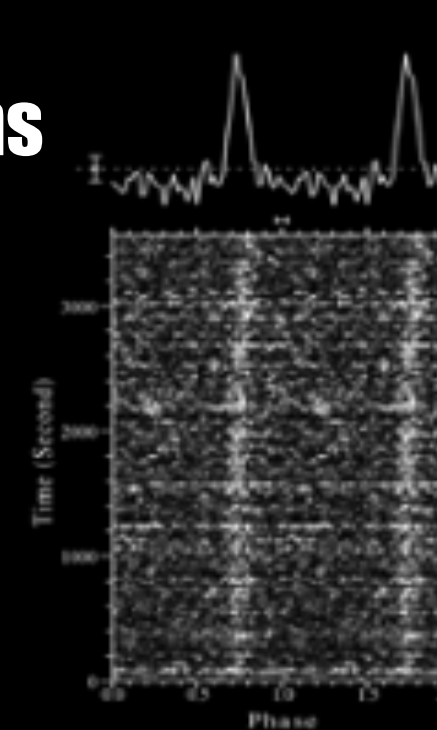
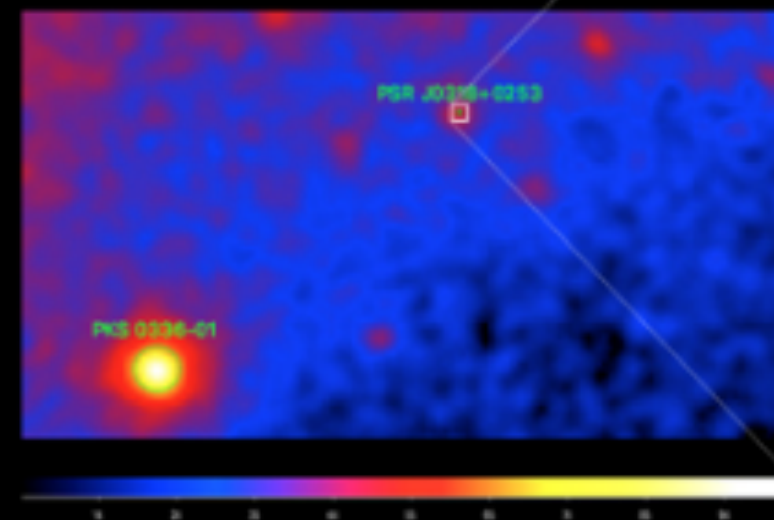
✗ FAST, 1.25 GHz, 4h  
 $\sim 20 \mu\text{Jy}$

A New MSP toward the Fermi-LAT unassociated source 3FGL J0318.1+0252

The First FAST MSP



**P = 5.2 ms**





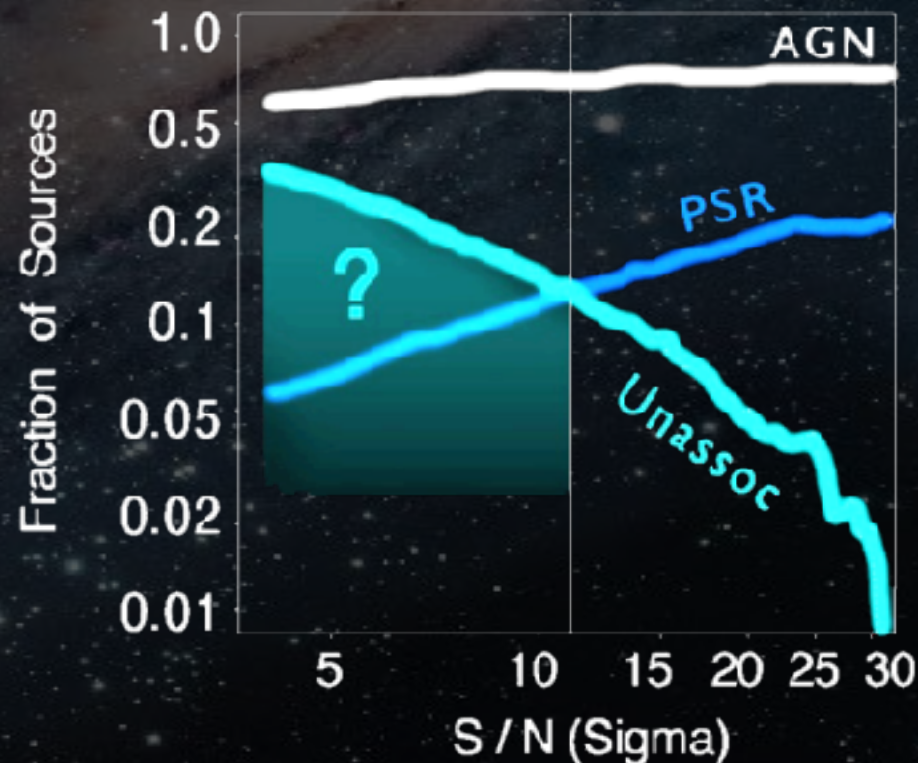
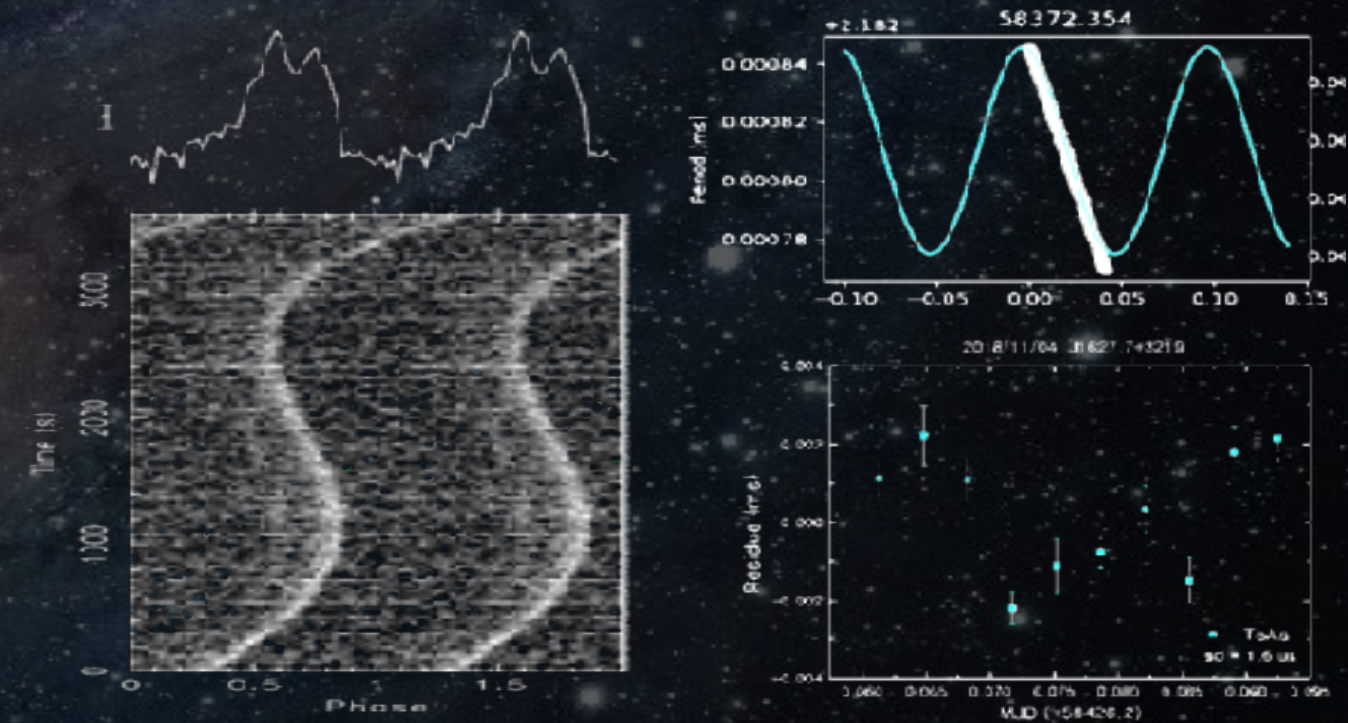
# Pulsar searches of Fermi sources with FAST

## FAST-Fermi-LAT MoU

- December 2017, MoU signed between the FAST team and the LAT Collaboration
- >3033 sources in 3FGL, 1904 have confirmed, AGN (1738), PSR (>200), ~1129 unconfirmed sources
- More than 30 targets be searched, **5** new pulsars/MSPs are discovered by FAST.

Spin period is **2.2 milliseconds**, an estimated distance of about **4.4 kpc**, and as potentially one of the shortest orbital period binary systems (**4.2 hours**).

## 4FGL J1627.7+3219



Saz. Parkinson et al. 2016

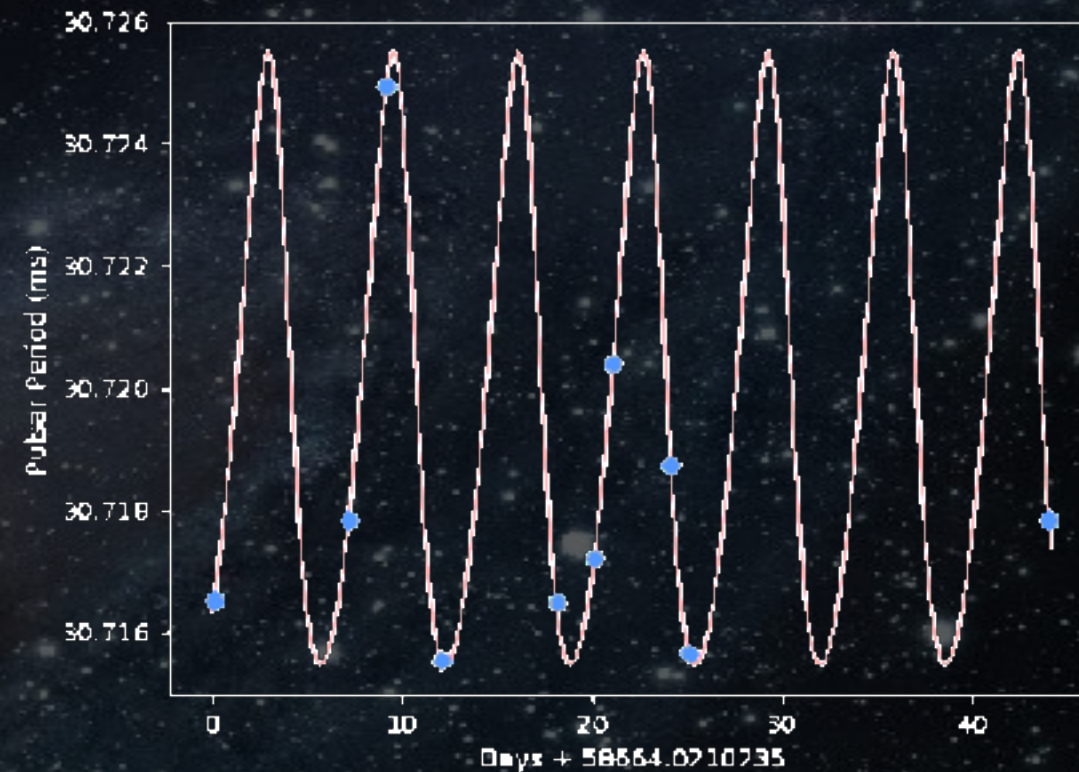
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Xian Hou, LNT Pulsar Coordinator for CH	
Weizhi Zhu, FAST Multi-band Pulsar C	
Pei Wang, FAST Pulsar Search Lead	
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Na Wang, Nanshan Telescope and QTT Science Lead	

**FAST-Fermi**

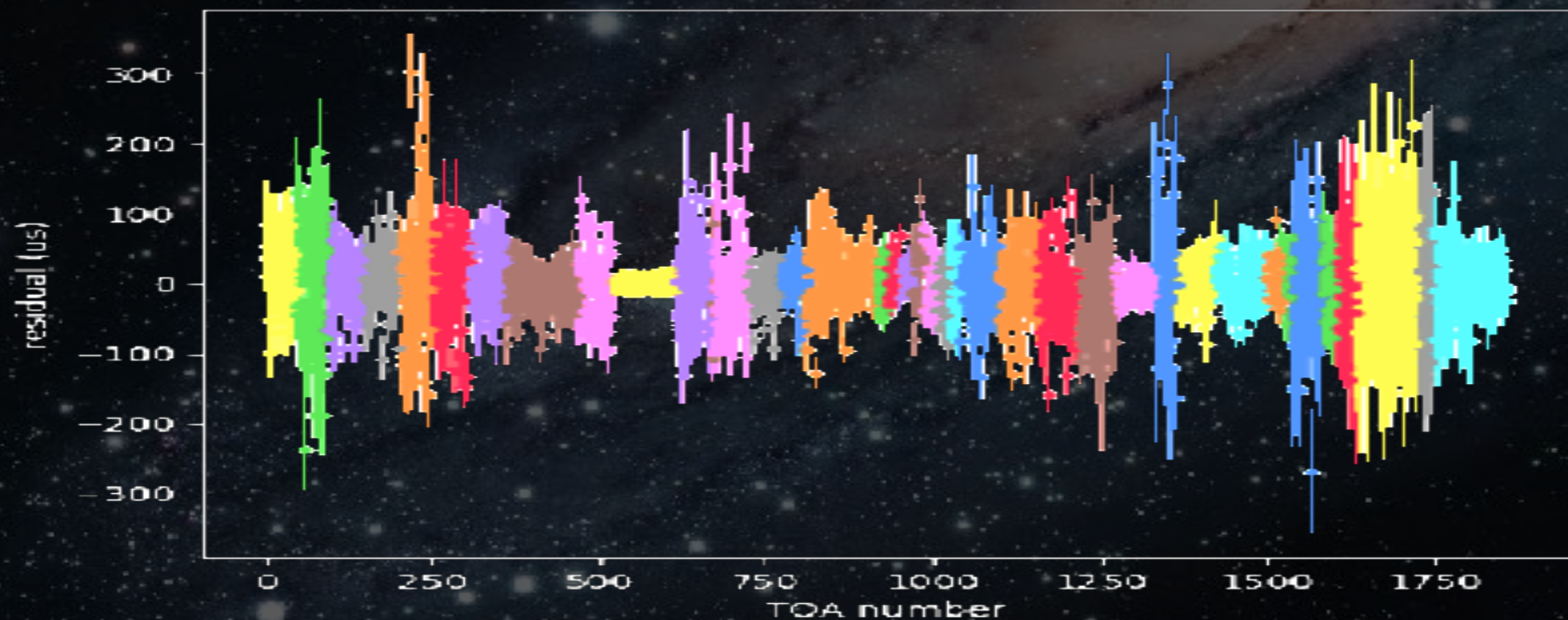
# FAST首个双中子星系统

## C69-DNS system (W.W. Zhu)

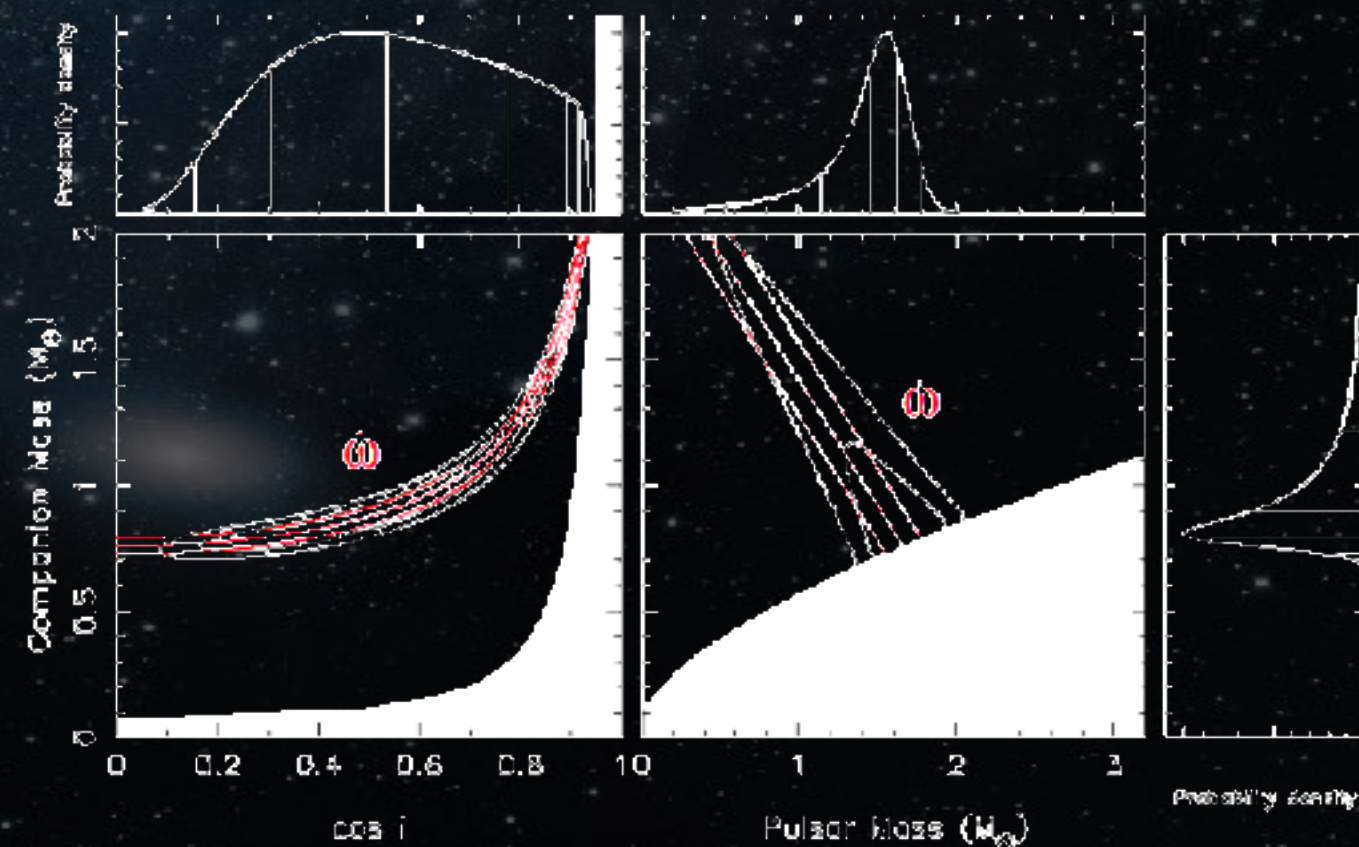
- Total 44 sessions of observations span 339 days
- 23 sessions 2019a-082-P (Chenchen Miao)
- 15 sessions orbital campaign DDT (Weiwei Zhu)
- 6 sessions Timing KSP (Nina Wang)



Chenchen Miao & Weiwei Zhu



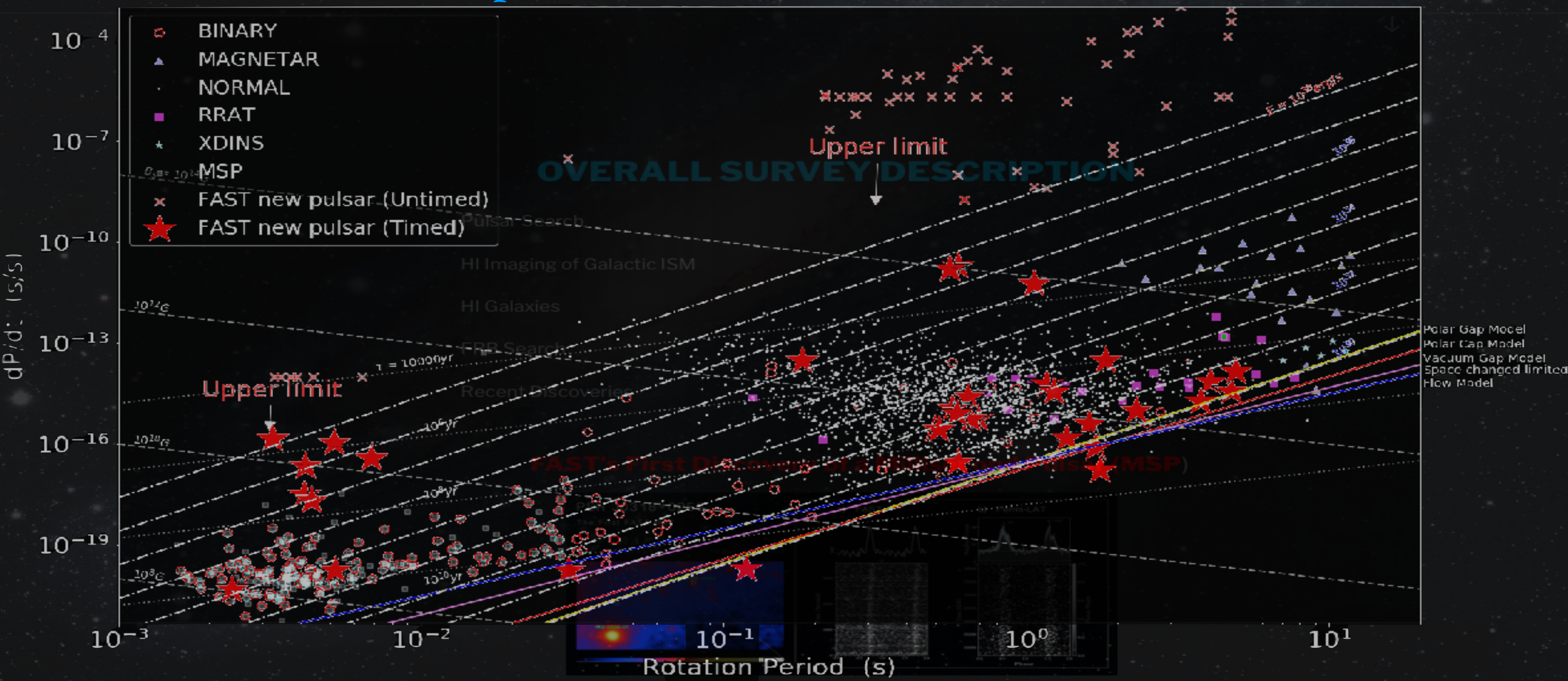
Fully connected timing solution using DDGR

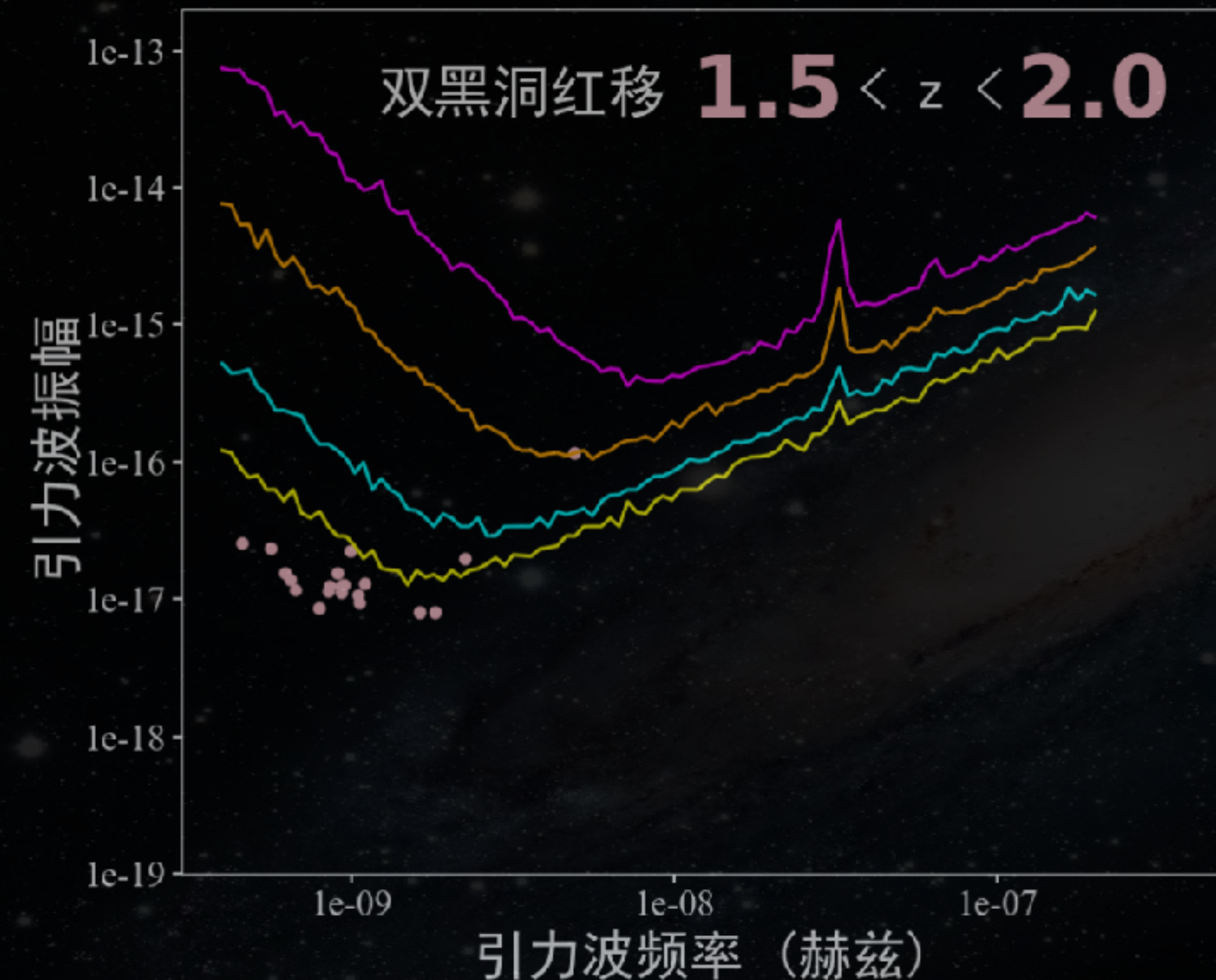


双中子星整体质量小，有可能是特殊系统！

# Confirmed new pulsars > 130, including >44 MSPs, binaries (DNS), etc.

<http://crafts.bao.ac.cn>





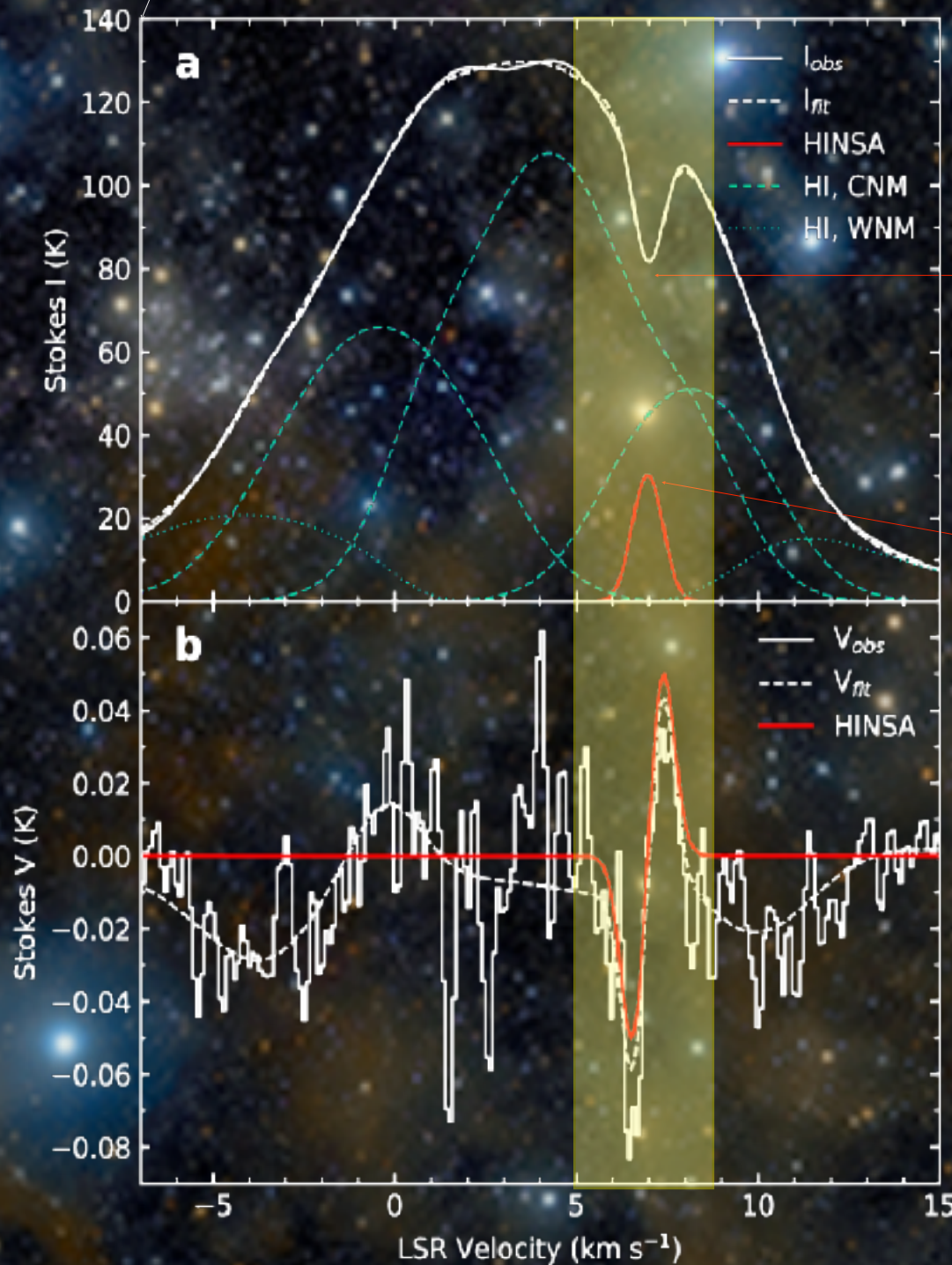
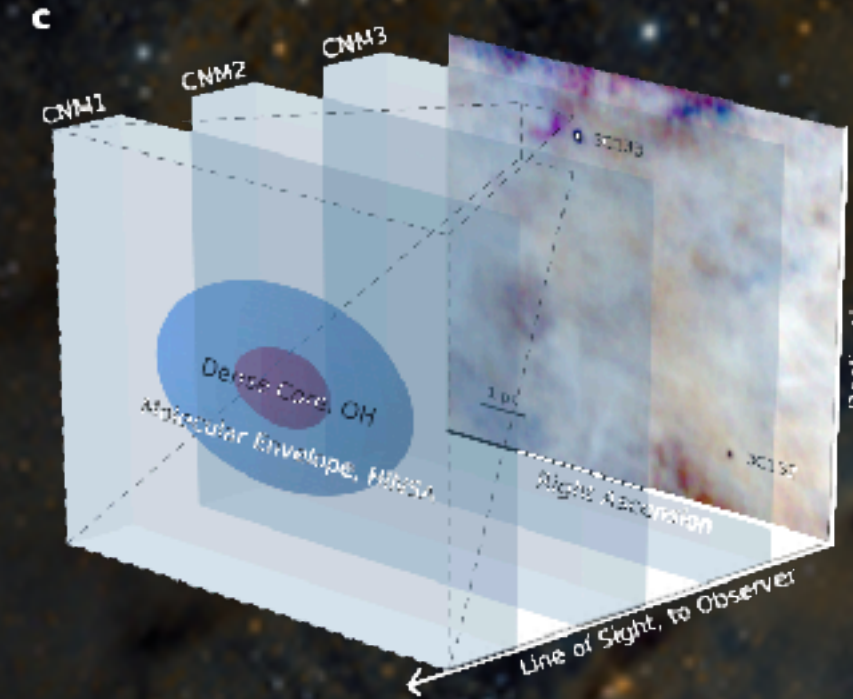
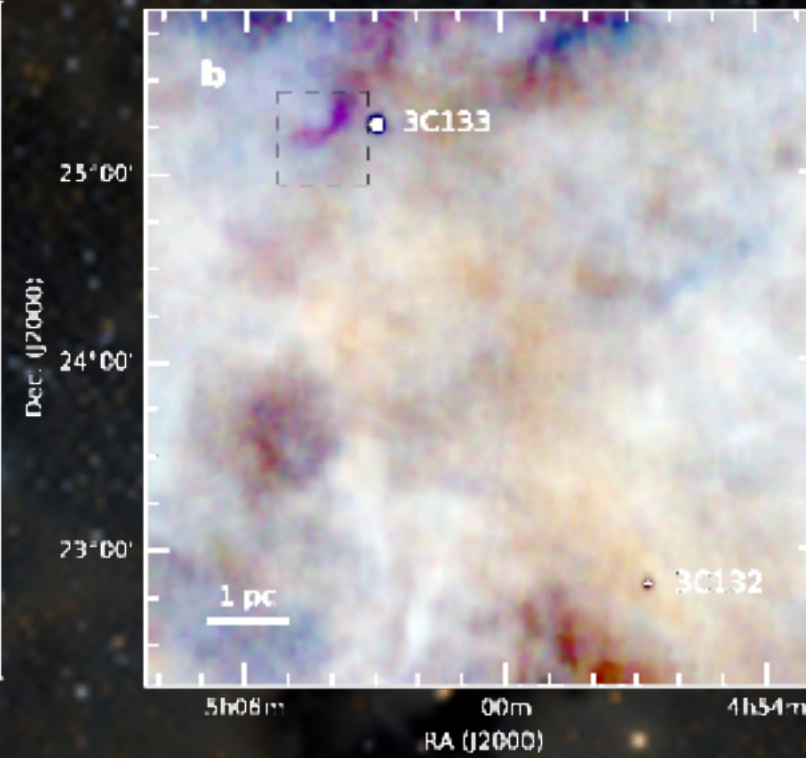
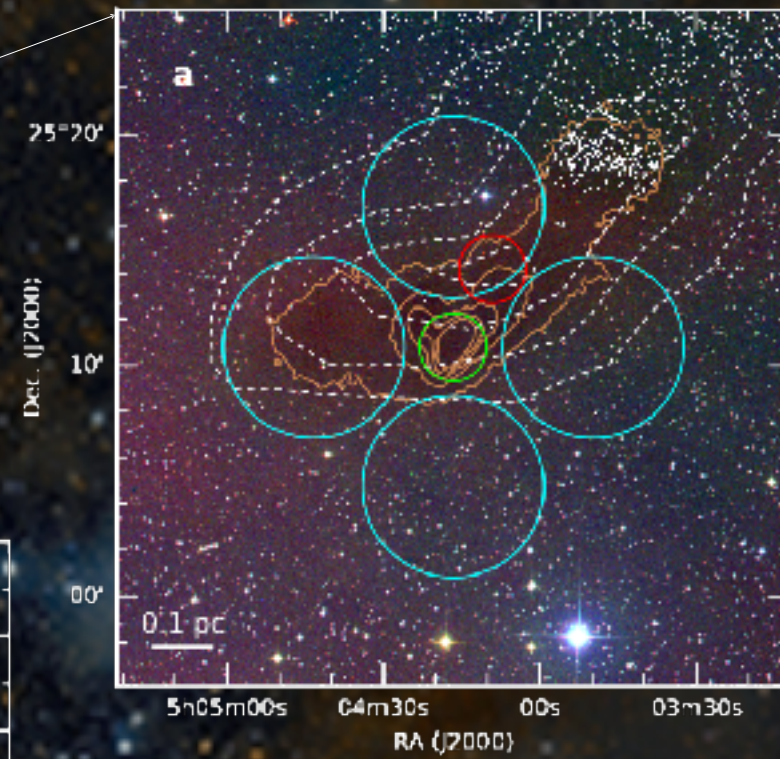
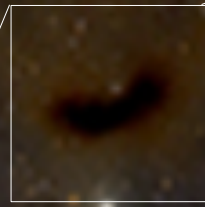
## Supermassive binary black hole hunter: SKA pulsar timing array

- ◆ Forecast the performance of a SKAPTA made up by only  $\sim 20$  high quality MSPs;
- ◆ Quantified, for the first time, how SKA would trace the redshift evolution SMBBHs up to  $z=2$  through gravitational wave observations.
- ◆ SKAPTA expects the first detection within 5 years, achieve a detection rate of 100/yr within 10 years, and over 10,000 SMBBHs within 30 years.

Feng, Y., Li, D., + 2020 (Physical Review D, 102, 023014)

"Supermassive Binary Black Hole Evolution can be traced by a small SKA Pulsar Timing Array"

# Lyn 1544



**HI N**arrow **S**elf-**A**bsorption **HINSA**  
**Li** & Goldsmith (2003)

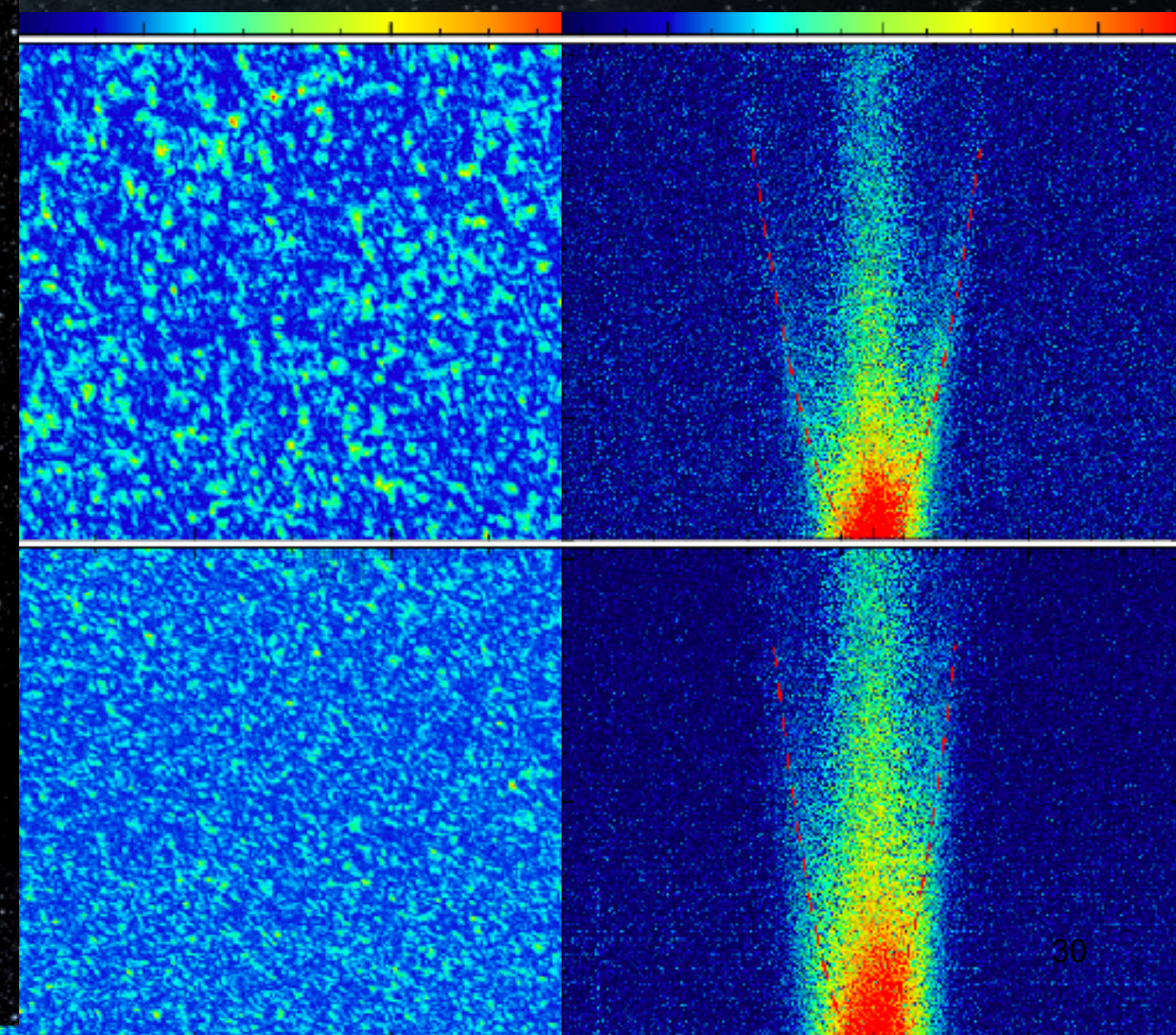
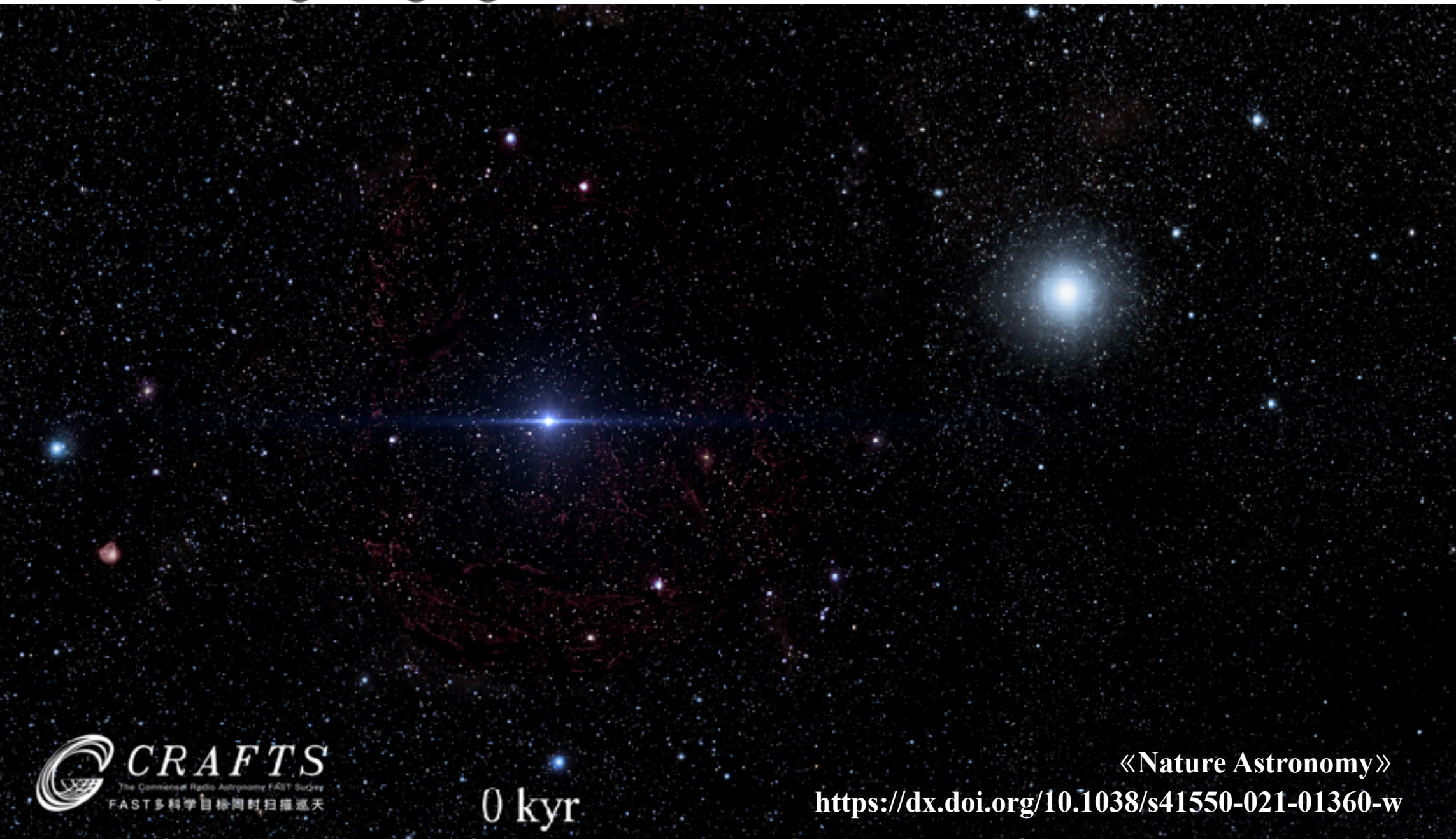
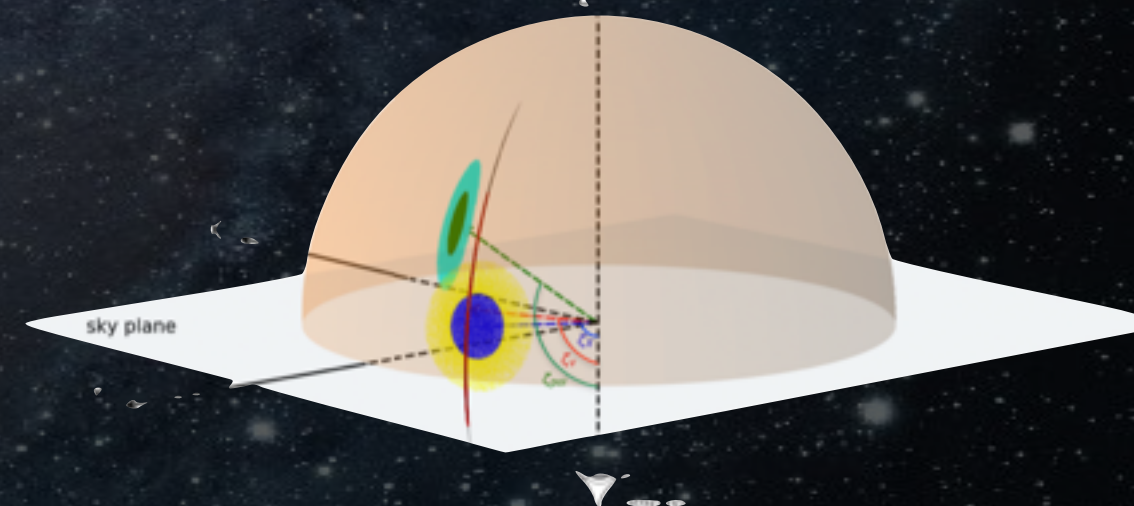
- First detection of magnetic field strength in dense molecular gas with an atomic tracer (HINSA):  **$B = 3.8 \pm 0.3 \mu\text{G}$**
- Revealing **a coherent B** structure from atomic gas to diffuse molecular gas, to dense molecular gas.

(Ching, **Li**, Heiles+ 2021 submitted to **Nature**  
 referee: "strongly recommend for publication")

# Evidence for three-dimensional spin-velocity alignment in a pulsar

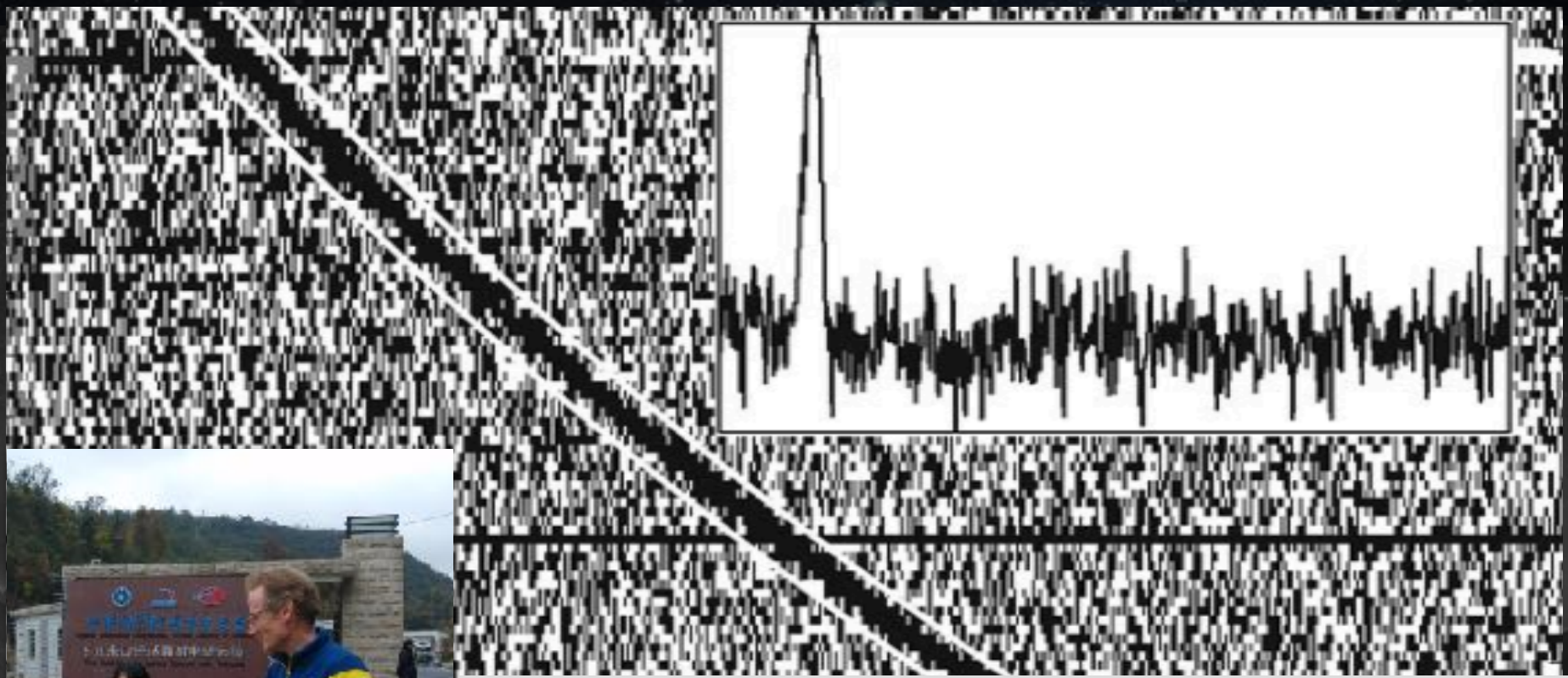
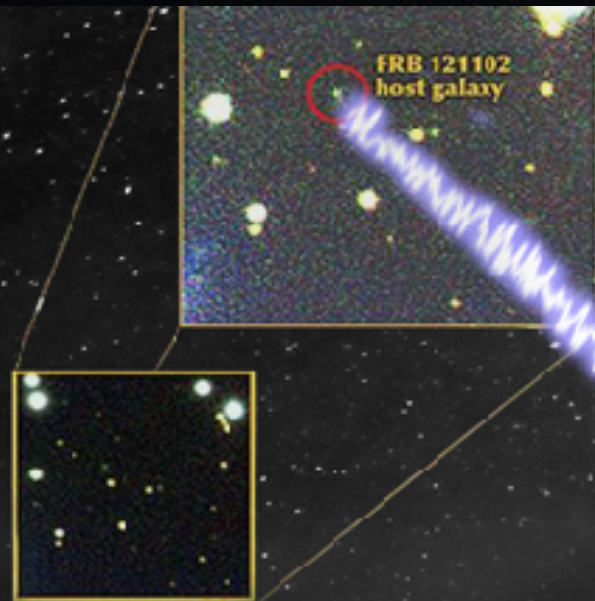
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## “眨眼睛的脉冲星”



# 宿主矮星系

(哈勃望远镜拍摄)



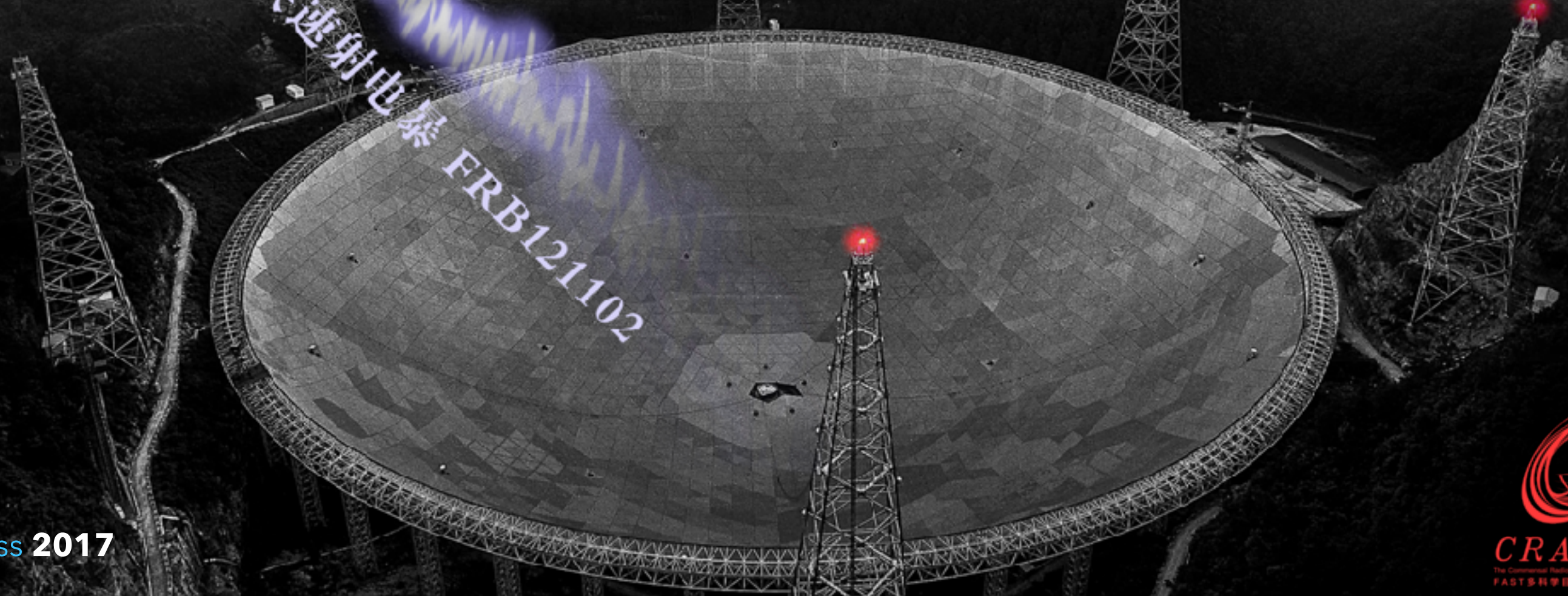
# The 'Lorimer' bursts



## FRB 121102 对应星系

"The most important discovery in astronomy since LIGO" –AAS Press 2017

快速射电暴  
FRB121102



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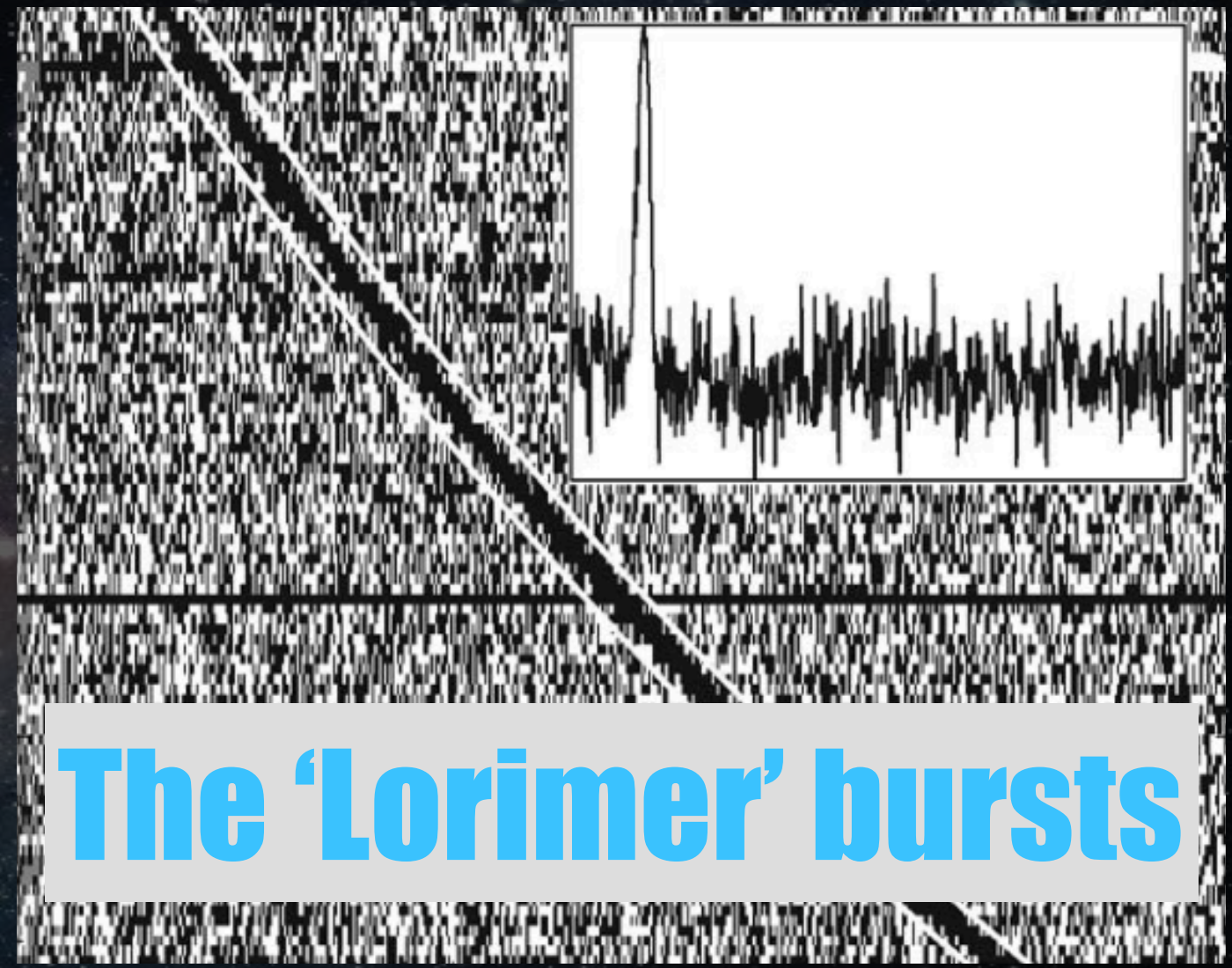
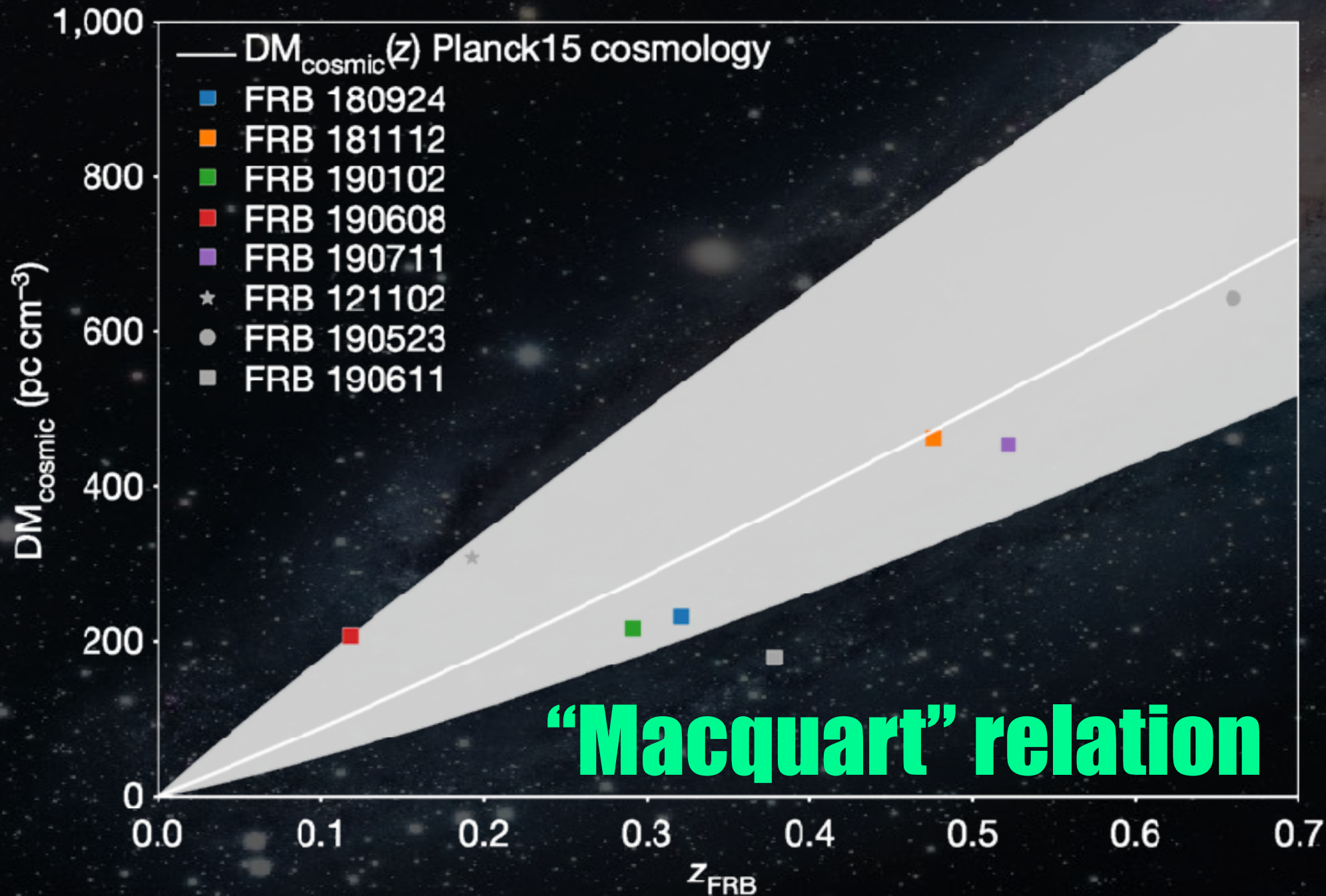
## Welcome to the FRB Theory Wiki!

Name	Category	Progenitor	Type	Energy Mechanism	Emission Mechanism	LF Radio Counterpart	HF Radio Counterpart	Microwave Counterpart	THz Counterpart	OIR Counterpart	X ray Counterpart	Gamma ray Counterpart	GW Counterpart
<a href="#">NS-WD Accretion</a>	Accretion	NS-WD	Repeat	Mag. reconnection	Curv.	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	Yes, but unlikely detectable	--
<a href="#">AGN-KBH</a>	AGN	AGN-KBH Interaction	Repeat	Maser	Synch.	Yes	--	--	--	Supernova	--	Yes	Yes
<a href="#">AGN-SS</a>	AGN	AGN-Strange Star Interaction	Repeat	Electron oscillation	--	Yes	--	--	--	Thermal	--	Yes	Yes
<a href="#">Jet-Caviton</a>	AGN	Jet-Caviton Interaction	Both	Electron scattering	Bremsst.	Yes	Yes	--	--	--	--	Possible GRB	Yes
<a href="#">Wandering Beam</a>	AGN	Wandering Beam	Repeat	--	Synch.	Yes	--	--	--	--	Yes	--	--
<a href="#">NS to BH (DM-Induced)</a>	Collapse	NS to BH	Single	Mag. reconnection	Curv.	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes
<a href="#">NS to KNBH</a>	Collapse	NS to KNBH	Single	Mag. reconnection	Curv.	Yes	--	--	--	--	Possible afterglow	Possible GRB	Yes
<a href="#">NS to Quark Star</a>	Collapse	NS to Quark Star	Single	$\beta$ -decay	Synch.	Yes	--	--	--	--	Yes	Yes	Yes
<a href="#">SS Crust</a>	Collapse	Strange Star Crust	Single	Mag. reconnection	Curv.	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes
<a href="#">Axion Cloud and BH</a>	Collision / Interaction	Superradiant Axion Cloud and BH	Repeat	Laser	Synch.	Yes	--	--	--	--	--	--	Yes



# FRB: a Cosmic Probe

$$DM_{\text{FRB}}(z) = DM_{\text{MW,ISM}} + DM_{\text{MW,halo}} + DM_{\text{cosmic}}(z) + DM_{\text{host}}(z)$$



$$\langle DM_{\text{cosmic}} \rangle = \int_0^{z_{\text{FRB}}} \frac{c \bar{n}_e(z) dz}{H_0 (1+z)^2 \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}}$$

Macquart+ 2020, *A census of baryons in the Universe from localized fast radio bursts*, **Nature**

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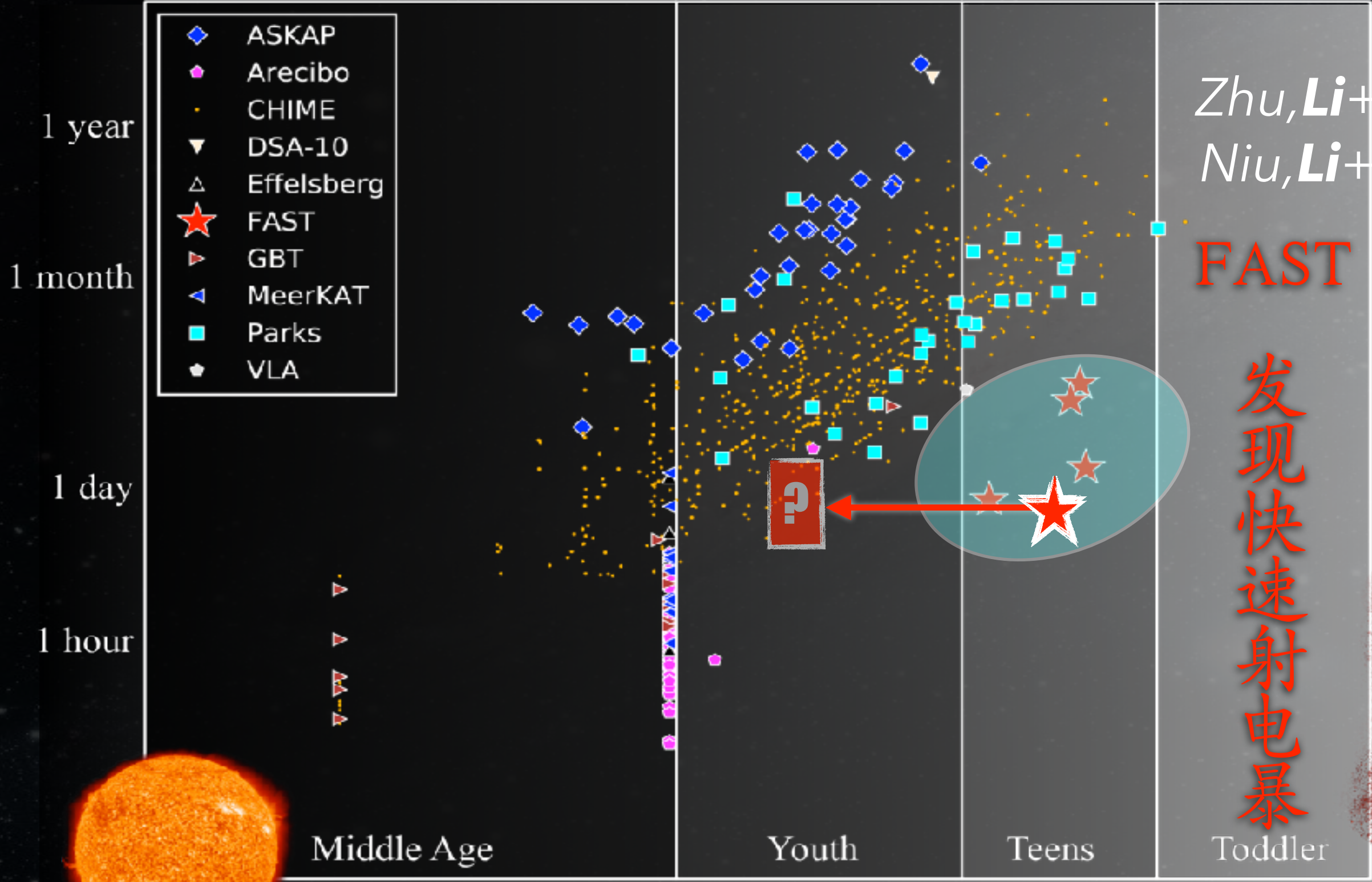
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The Commensal Radio Astronomy FAST Survey  
FAST 多科学目标巡天扫描计划

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Equivalent Solar Energy

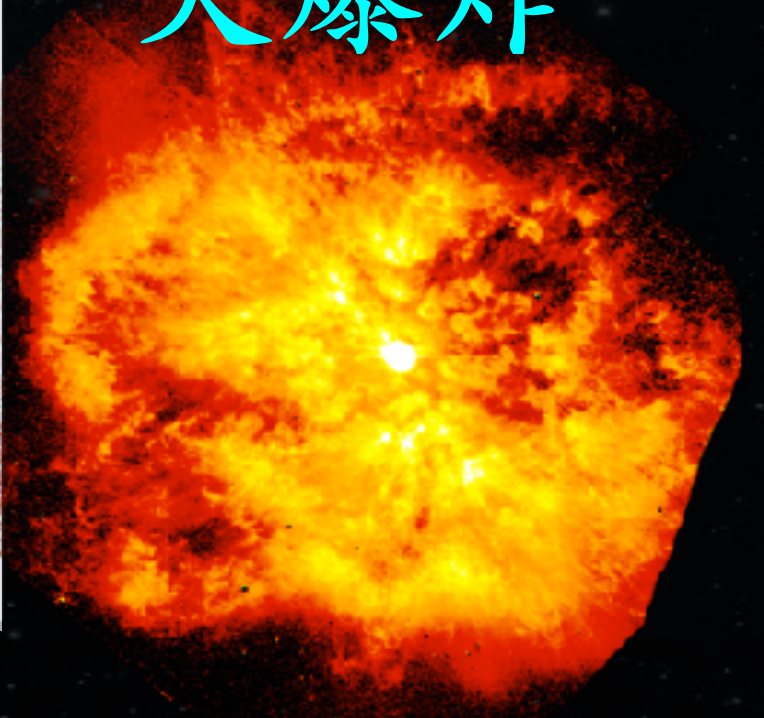


Zhu, Li+ 2020 ApJL  
Niu, Li+ 2021 ApJL

**FAST**

发现快速射电暴

大爆炸



Middle Age

Youth

Teens

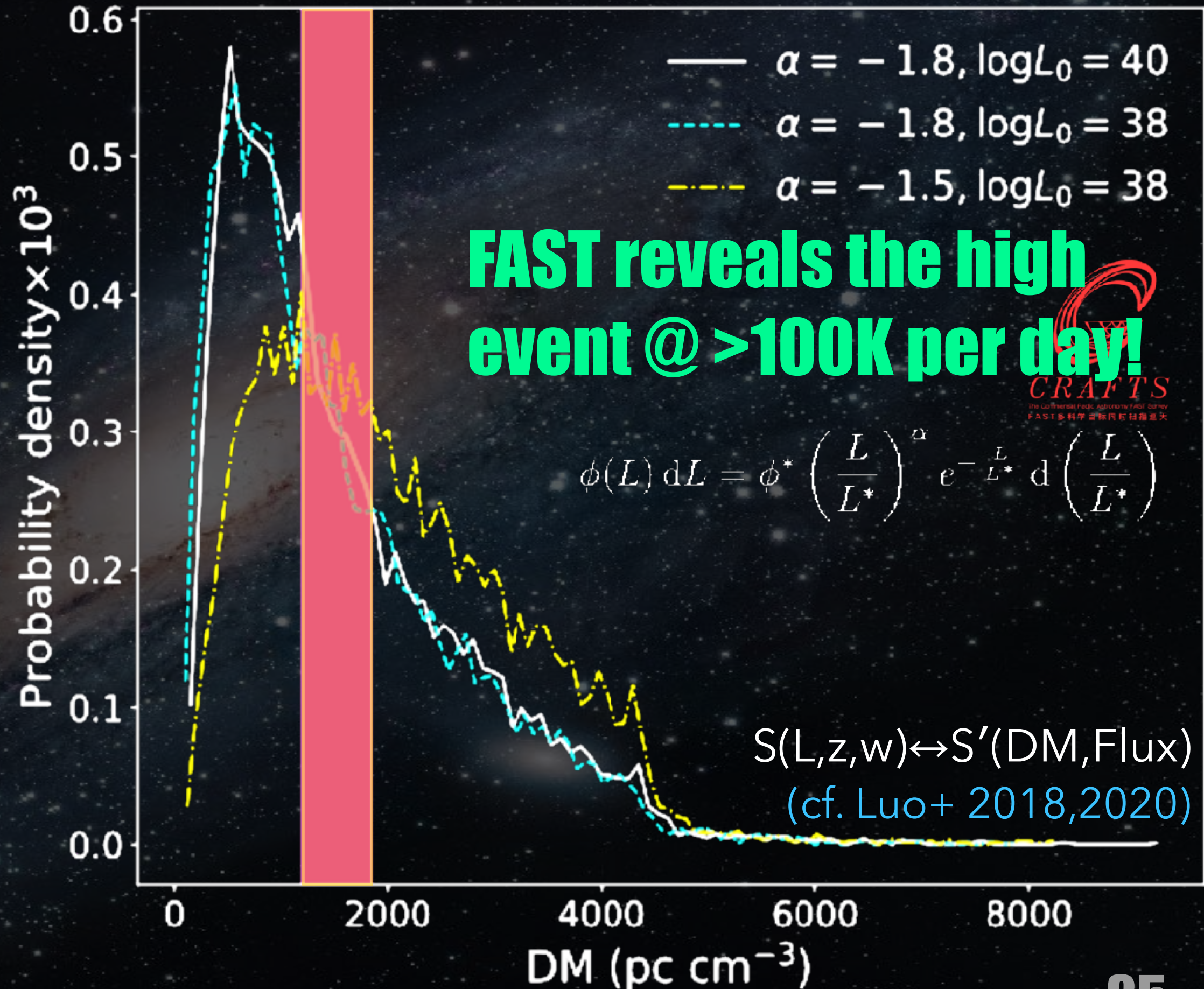
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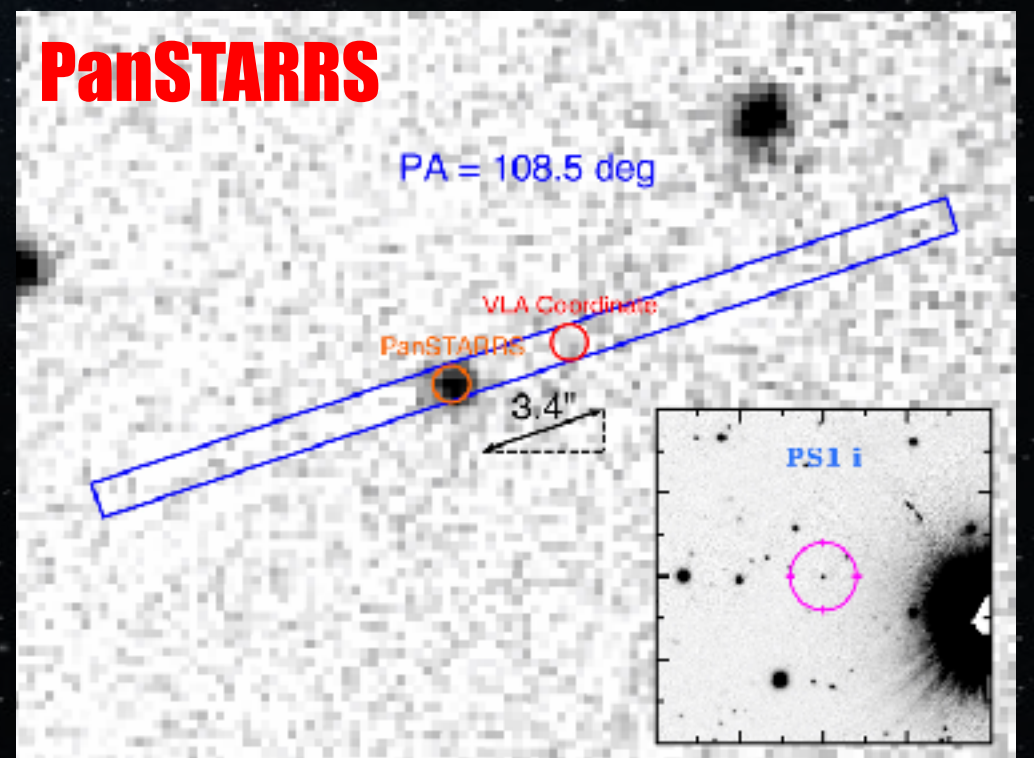
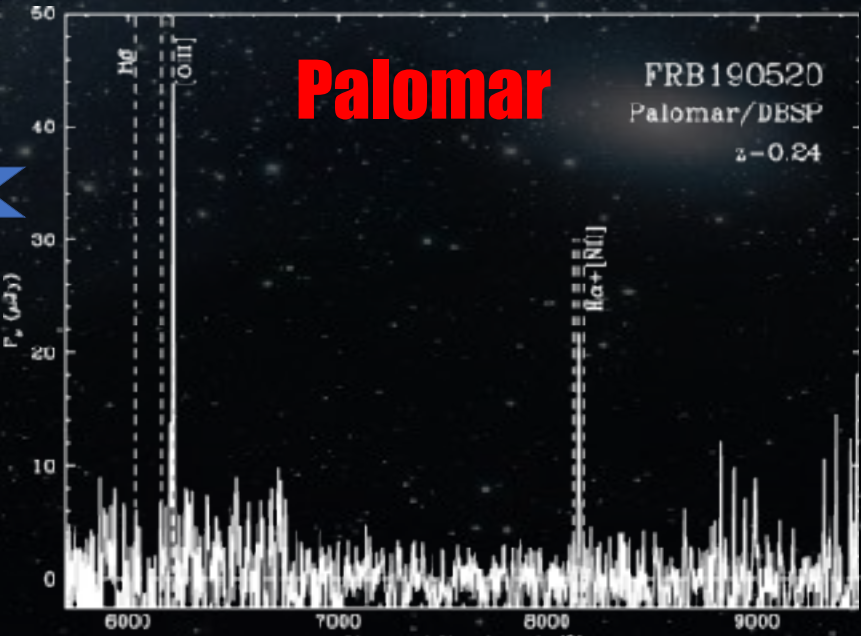
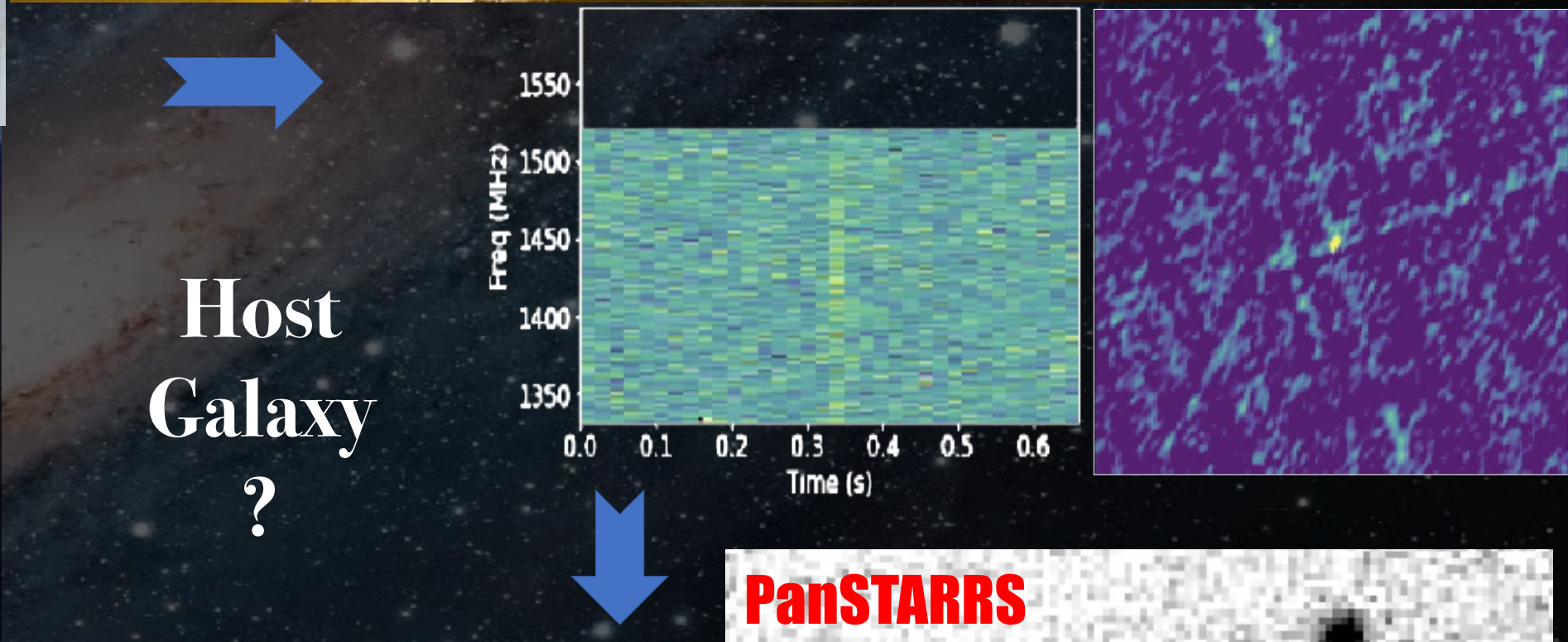
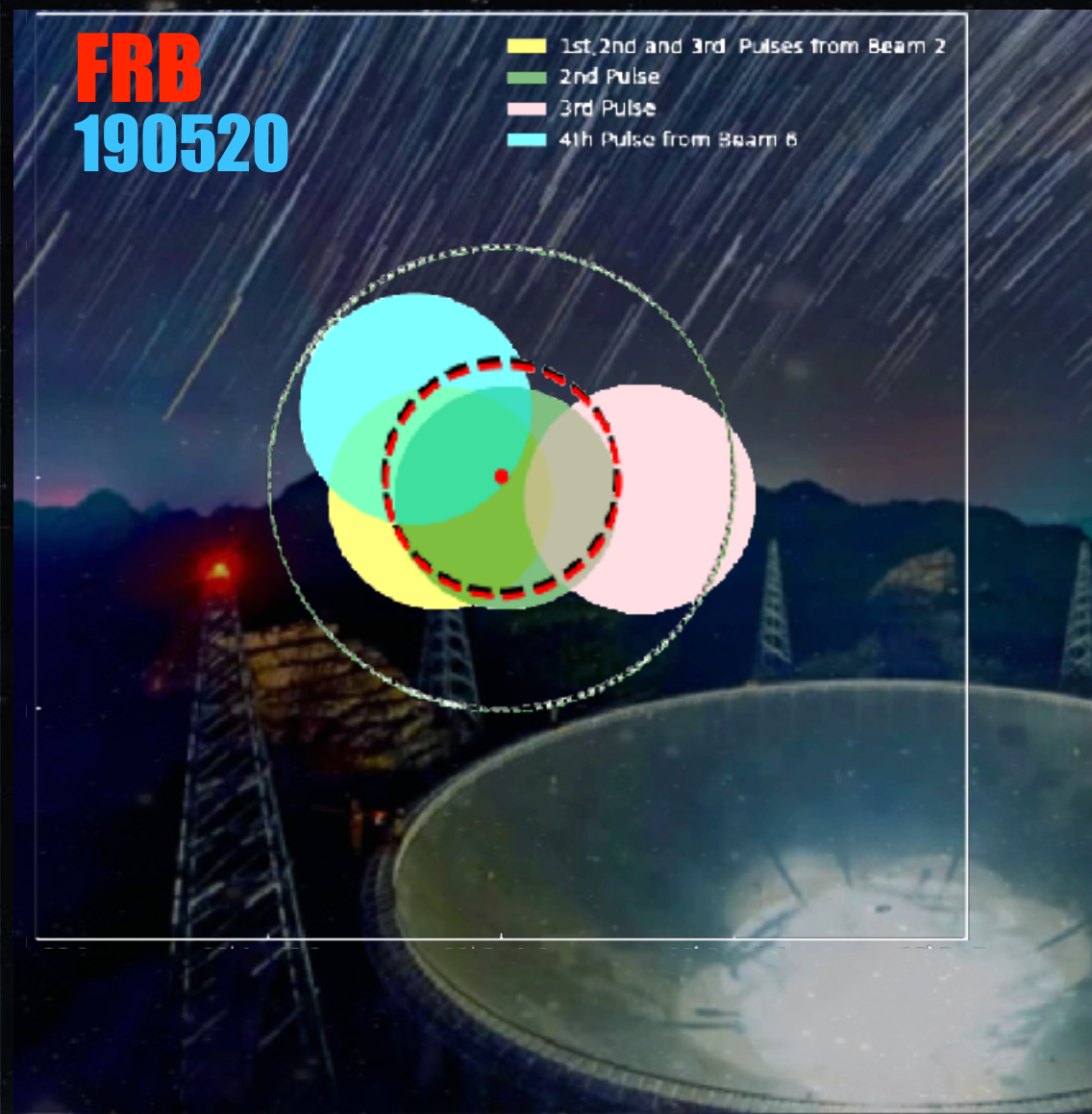
Cosmic Age

# CRAFTS 2018 FRBs

- **Four** events in a total of **1667 hours** in 2018, corresponds to an all sky rate of  **$1.2 \times 10^5 \text{ sky}^{-1} \text{ day}^{-1}$**  at the 95% confidence interval above 0.0146 Jy ms, by far the deepest such estimate.
- ~1 per 400 FLAN hours (cf. Li 2016)

- PDF of FAST-FRB's DM is more sensitive to the slope of the luminosity function than the cutoff brightness  $L_0$ .
- FAST will have significant detection probability (>10%) for  $\text{DM} > 3000 \text{ pc cm}^{-3}$  (Also Zhang 2018)

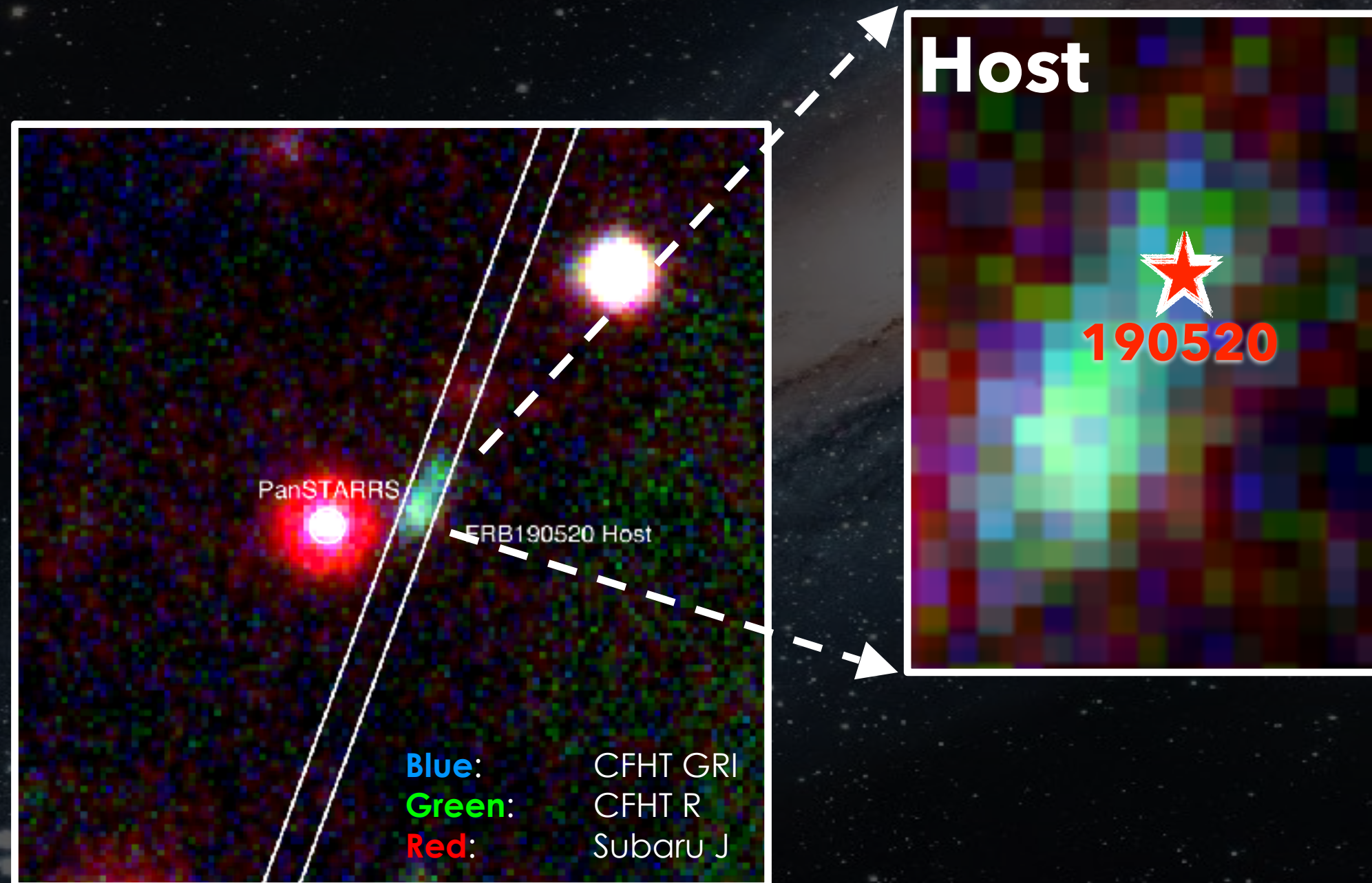




# Host galaxy of FRB 190520

a Star-forming dwarf galaxy

*Tsai et al. 2021  
In prep.*



Analogy: NGC 1140  
a dwarf irregular galaxy

# FRB 190520: *the hipper and weirder brother of 121102*

In Review | nature portfolio

"this is a highly significant result and well worthy of publication."

PHYSICAL SCIENCES - ARTICLE

A highly active repeating fast radio burst in a complex local environment

> Di Li, C.H. Niu, Kshitij Aggarwal, Xian Zhang, Shami Chatterjee, Chao-Wel Tsai, Wenfei Yu, Casey Law, Sarah Burke-Spolaor, James Cordes, Yongkun Zhang, Stella Ocker, Junci Yao, P. Wang, Yi Feng, Yui Niino, Christopher Bocherek, Marilyn Cruces, Liam Connor, Ji-an Jiang, Shi Dai, Rui Luo, Guodong Li, C.C. Miao, J.R. Niu, Reshma Anna-Thomas, Daniel Stern, Welyang Wang, Mao Yuan, Youling Yue, D.J. Zhou, Zhen Yan, Weiwei Zhu, Bing Zhang



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PEER REVIEW TIMELINE

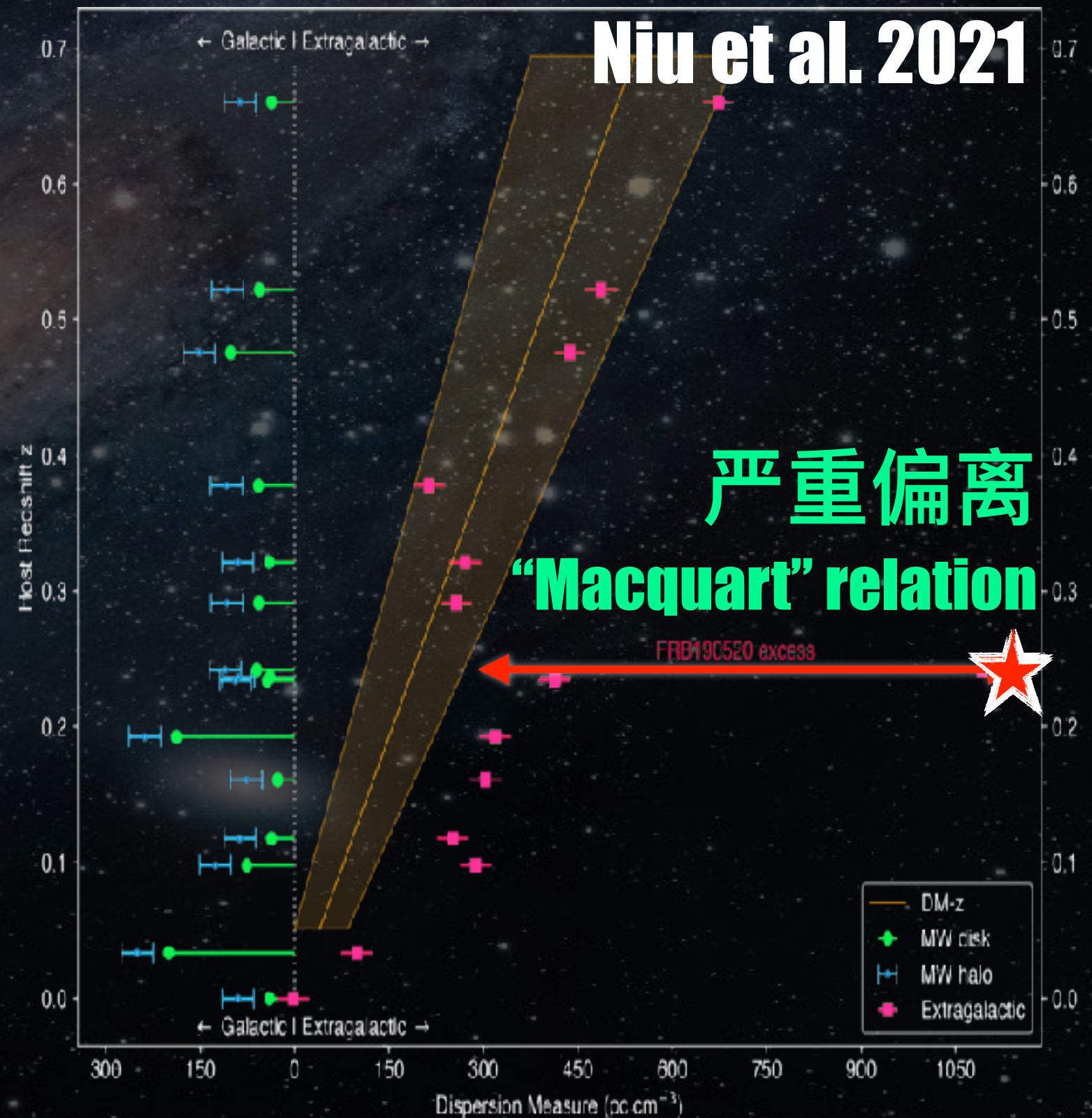
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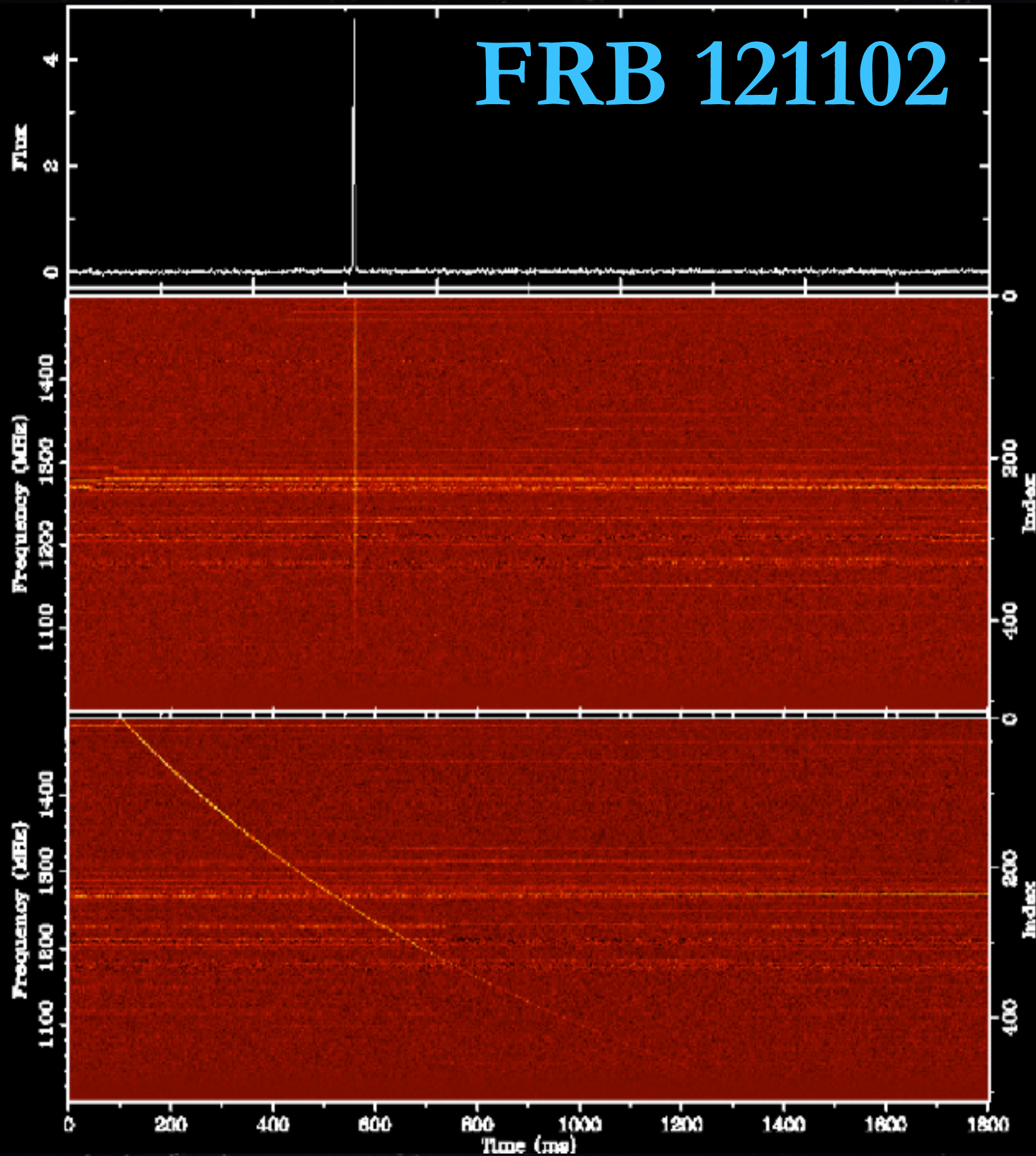
Posted 28 Jul, 2021

## Extraordinary Properties

- ❖ The **highest  $DM_{host}$**   $\sim 912 \text{ pc cm}^{-3}$
- ❖ The **2nd compact PRS** confirmed to co-locate with a FRB
- ❖ **Extreme Activity**:  $\sim 300$  bursts by FAST, JVLA, Parkes, GBT and VLBA in multiple bands.



# FRB 121102



## FAST Detects Multiple Bursts in L-band from FRB 121102

ATel #13064: Di Li (NAOC), Xinxin Zhang (NAOC), Lei Qian (NAOC), Weiwei Zhu (NAOC), Ran Duan (NAOC), Dan Werthimer (Berkeley), Vishal Gajjar (Berkeley), Yan Zhu (NAOC), Joff Cobb (Berkeley), Youling Yue (NAOC), Chengjin Jin (NAOC), Bing Zhang (UNLV), Christian Gouiffes (CEA), Shen Wang (NAOC), Laura Spitler (MPIFR), Mary Cruces (MPIFR), Jason Hessels (University of Amsterdam), Andrew Seymour (Arecibo), Eric Korpela (Berkeley), Jingtao Luo, Hengqian Gan (NAOC), Peng Jiang (NAOC), Hui Li (NAOC), Qi Li (NAOC), Hongfei Liu (NAOC), Chenchen Miao (NAOC), Chenhui Niu (NAOC), GaoFeng Pan (NAOC), Zhichen Pan (NAOC), Bo Peng (NAOC), Jinghai Sun (NAOC), Ningyu Tang (NAOC), Qiming Wang (NAOC), Pei Wang (NAOC), Xin Pei (XAO), Jun Yan (NAOC), Rui Yao (NAOC), DongJun Yu (NAOC), Mao Yuan (NAOC), Haiyan Zhang (NAOC), Lei Zhang (NAOC), Shuxin Zhang (NAOC), and and FAST Collaboration (NAOC)  
 on 2 Sep 2019; 01:32 UT  
 Credential Certification: Di Li (dili@nao.cas.cn)

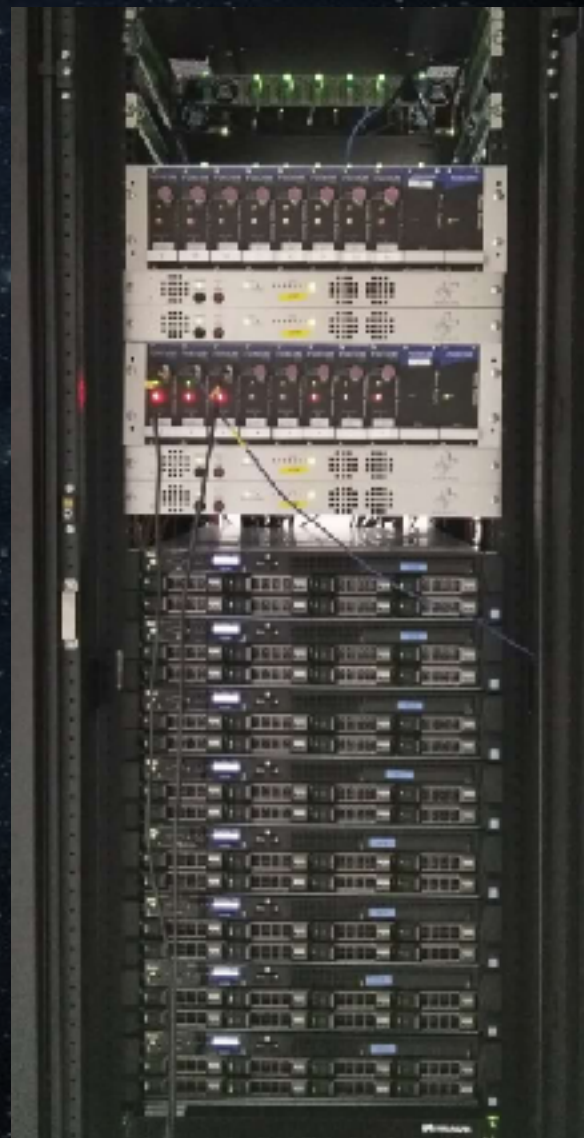
Subjects: Radio, Fast Radio Burst

Referred to by ATel #: 13073, 13075

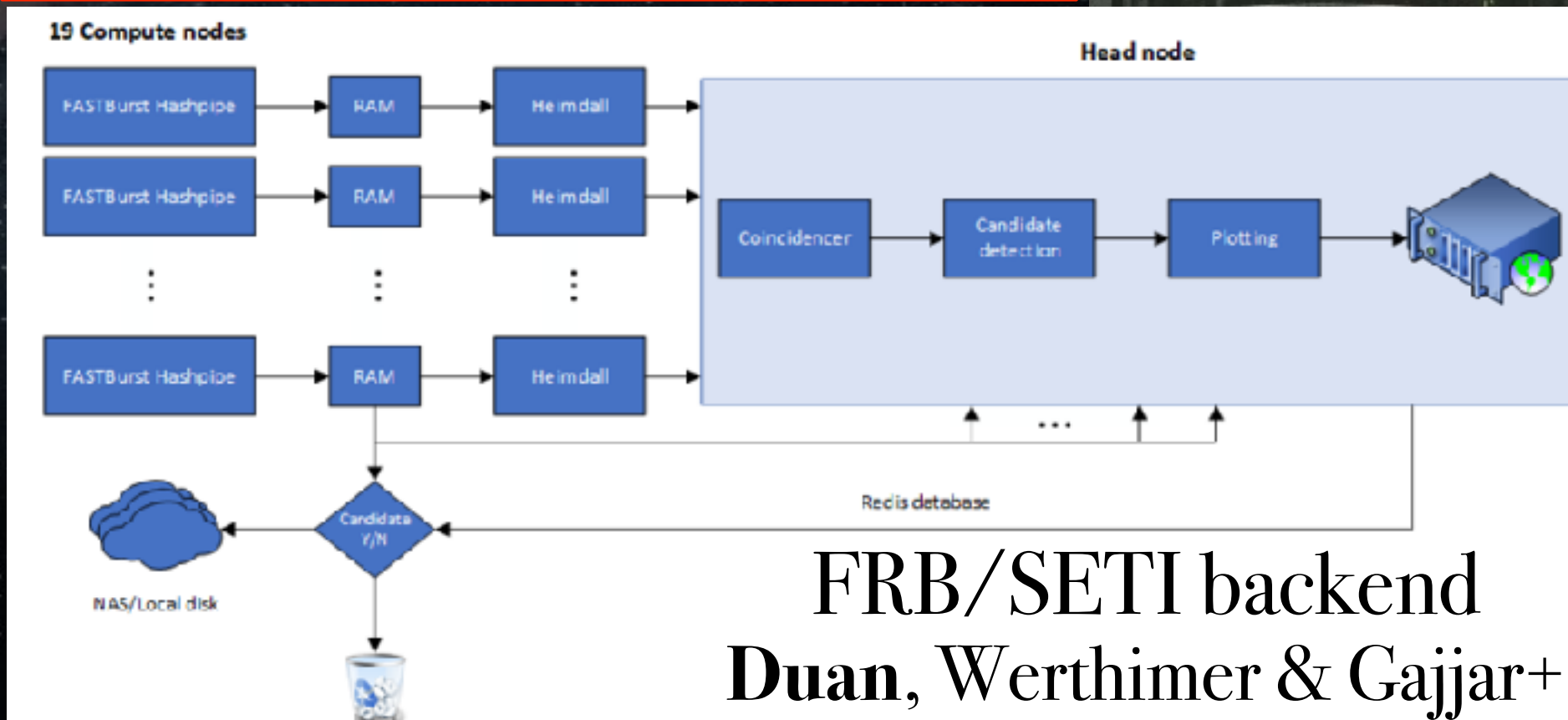
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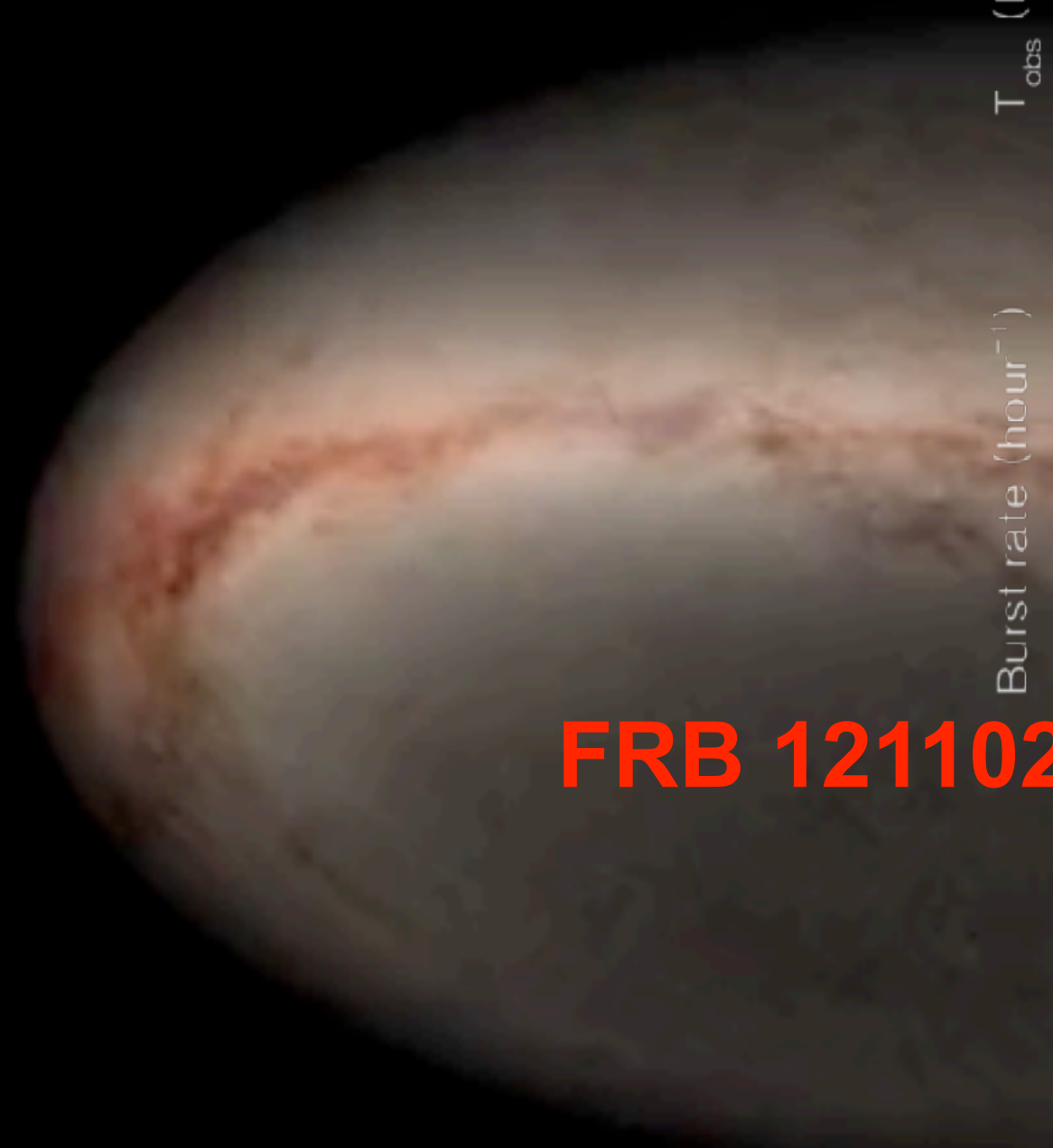
Tracking observations of FRB 121102 were carried out with the newly commissioned Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope (FAST). We used the FAST L-band Array of 19-beams (FLAN), which has a FWHM of  $\sim 2.95'$  for individual beams and a  $\sim 26'$  footprint. The source was placed in the central beam, while all 19 beams were recorded. The bursts were firstly identified by the FRB backend on August 29th (UT), which performs real time signal processing of 19-beams data and automatic candidate selection/trigging. The subsequent single pulse search using multiple pipelines have turned up many tens of pulses with significant SNR in observations carried out so far, on the 29th, 30th, and 31st (UT). While careful cross-check are being carried out, the majority of these detections are expected to be credible. FAST has been targeting FRB 121102 since April of this year. In addition to the regular on-going FRB follow-up programs, the current observations was also motivated by timely and valuable alerts from our colleagues in the INTEGRAL team, Arecibo team, Max-Planck Institute for Radio Astronomy, Berkeley, and Cornell University. Given the significance of this source and its now apparent active state, FAST is executing more observations under the auspice of engineering testing time and multiple approved Piled programs, which targeted FRB 121102. We encourage more ToO observations with other facilities.

Zhang+  
2019

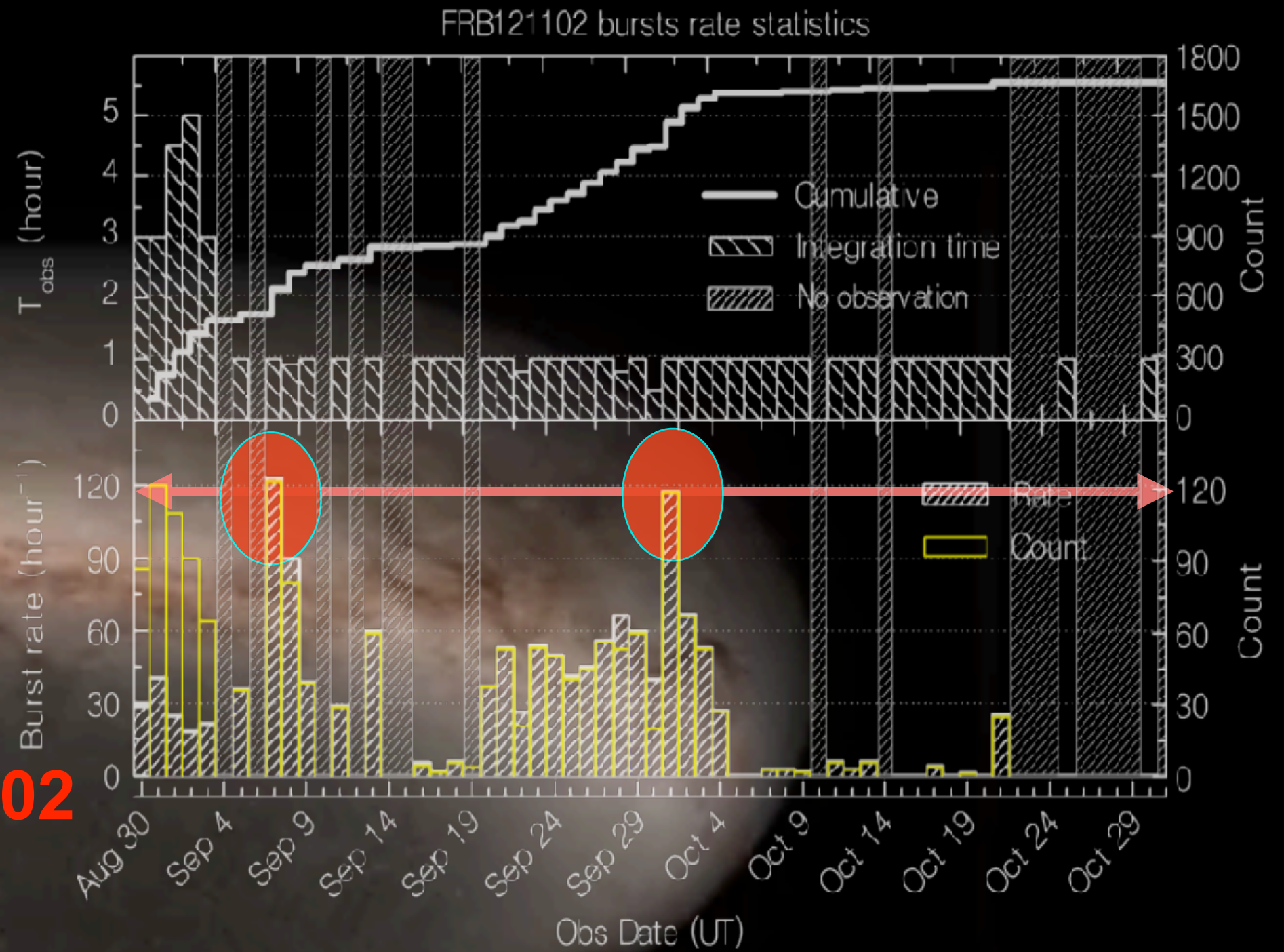


## Li et al. 2019 ATel #13064





# FRB 121102



# 2021



"1652 pulses in 59 days!" - Li et al. 2021



# FRB 121102 Burst Energy Statistics

$$E \simeq \frac{4\pi D_L^2}{(1+z)} \mathcal{F}_\nu \nu_c \quad (\text{Zhang 2018})$$
$$= (10^{39} \text{ erg}) \frac{4\pi}{(1+z)} \left( \frac{D_L}{10^{28} \text{ cm}} \right)^2 \frac{\mathcal{F}_\nu}{\text{Jy}} \frac{\nu_c}{\text{ms GHz}}$$

Cumulative burst energy distribution:

$\beta = -0.7$       JVLA, AO, GBT      Law+ 2017

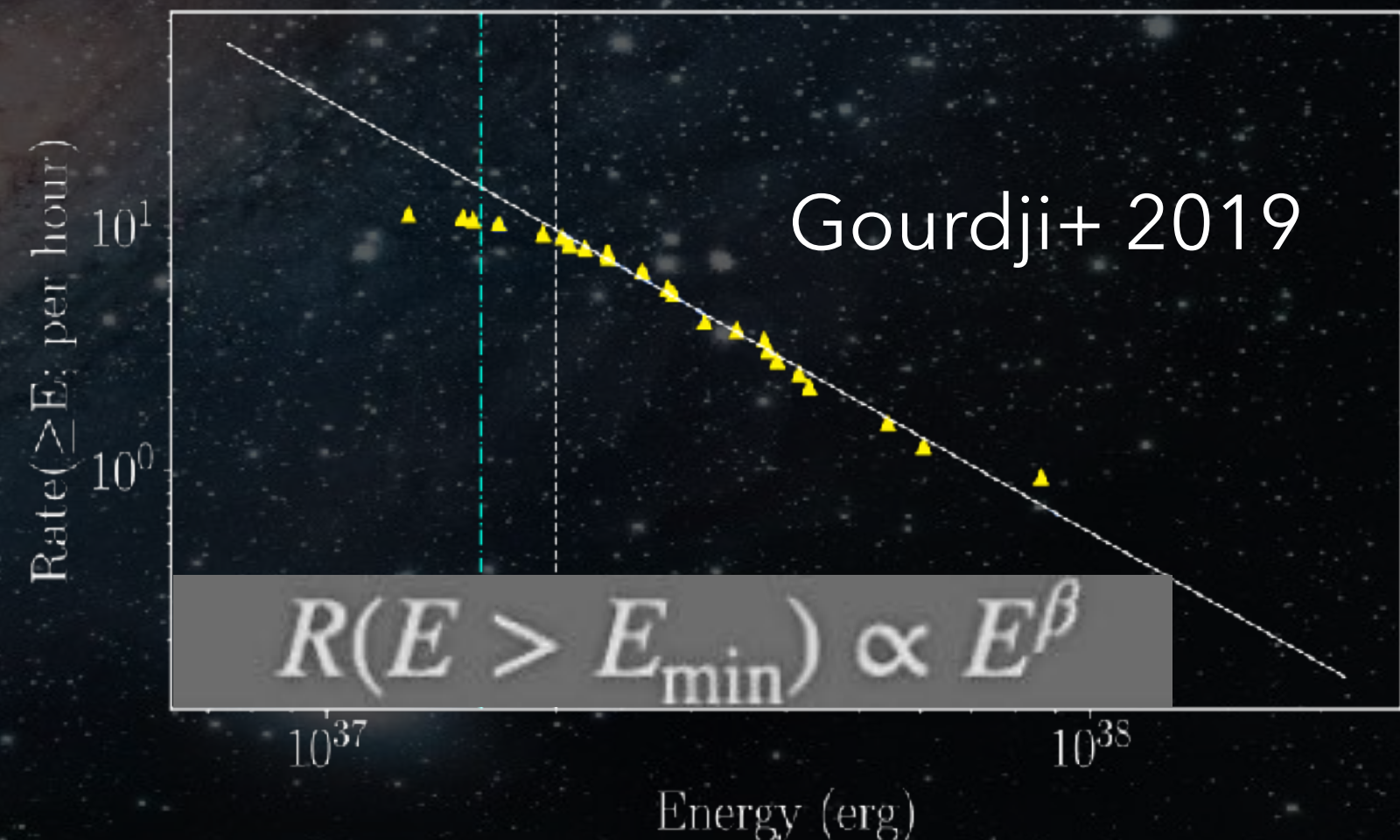
$\beta = -1.8 \pm 0.3$       AO      Gourdj+2019

$\beta = -1.2 \pm 0.2$       Effelsberg      Cruces+ 2020

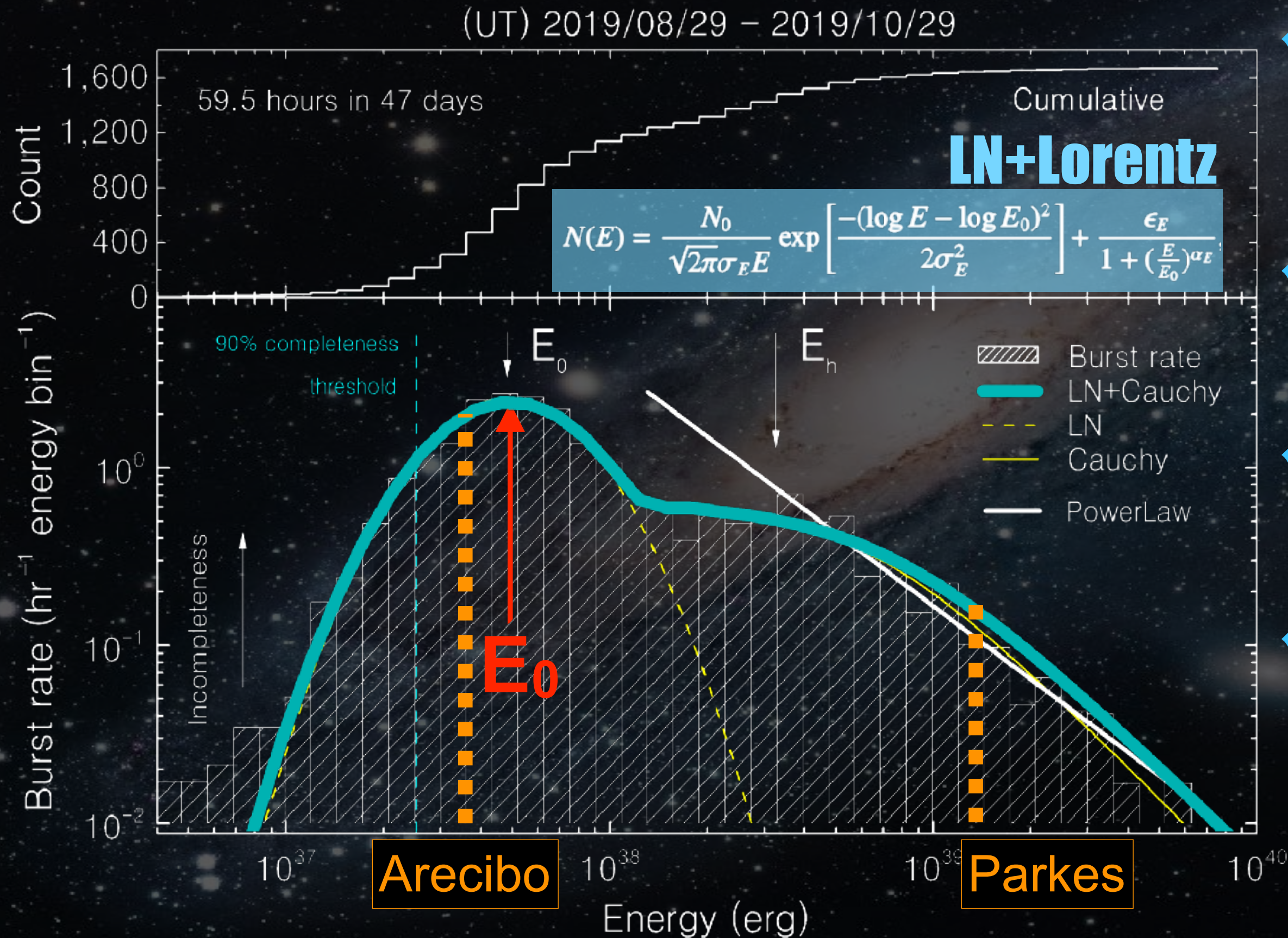
**FAST L-band 1.25GHz flux calibration**

$1\sigma = 2.1 \text{ mJy (1ms)}$        $z=0.193, D_L=949\text{Mpc}, 1\text{Jy ms} = 1.07 \times 10^{39} \text{ erg}$

$7\sigma = 15 \text{ mJy}$        $4 \times 10^{36} \text{ erg} < \text{Energy} < 8.0 \times 10^{39} \text{ erg}$



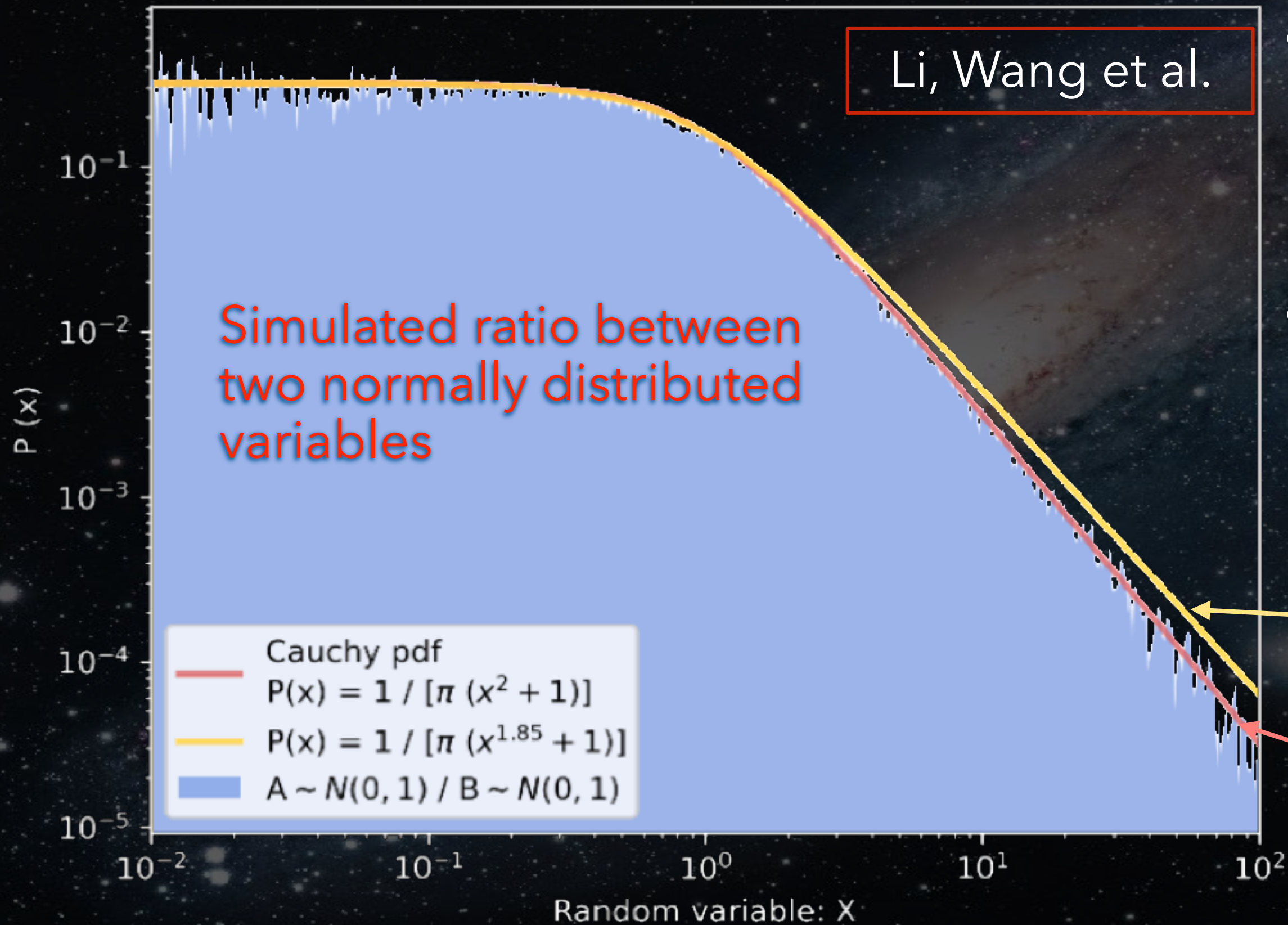
# 获取世界最大的FRB事件集合 首次确定FRB特征能量



- ◆ 2019年8月30日至10月30日，FAST成功监测FRB-121102的极端活动期，最剧烈时段达到117次爆发每小时；
- ◆ 累计获取共1652个高信噪比的爆发信号，跨越了3个数量级的亮度范围。
- ◆ FRB的爆发率存在特征能量 $E_0$ ，并由低能端的正则对数加高能端的洛伦兹函数共同描述。
- ◆ 排除了单一磁星起源等多种模型，为理解FRB的物理机制提供了重要约束。

Li, Wang et al. 2021

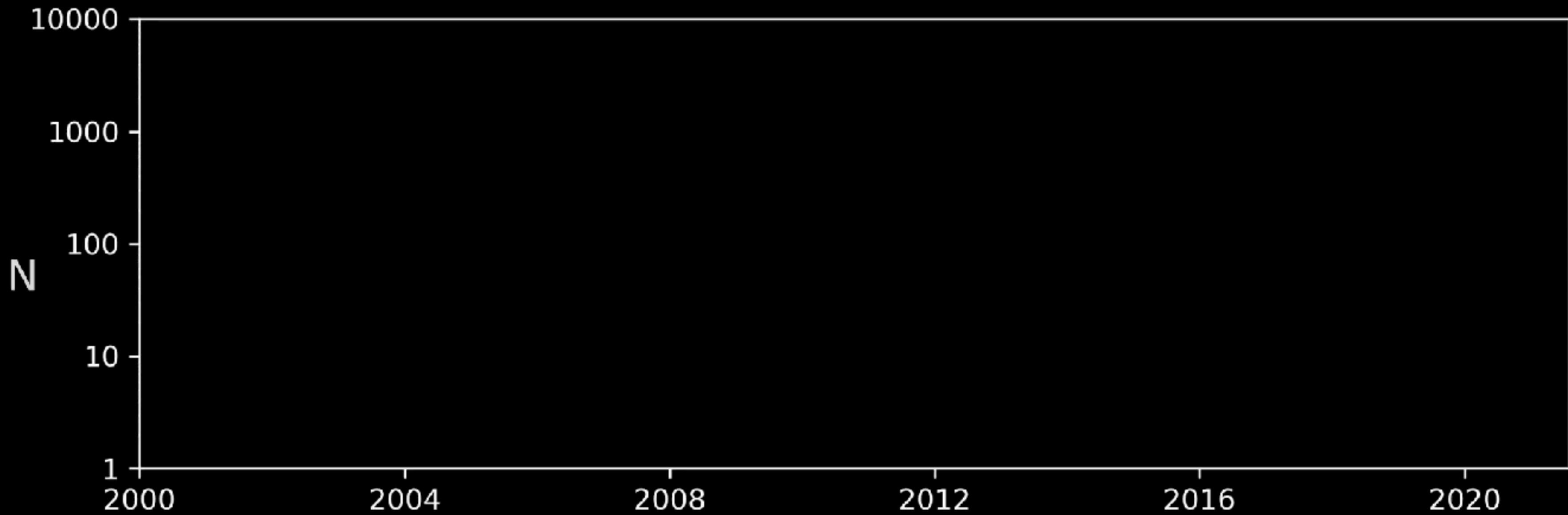
# Burst Rate Energy Distribution - bimodel



- The Lorentz/Cauchy function describe the ratio between two normally distributed variables
- The best-fit index of 1.85 (generalized Cauchy function) is close to 2 within one  $\sigma \sim 0.3$

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\pi (x^\alpha + 1)}$$

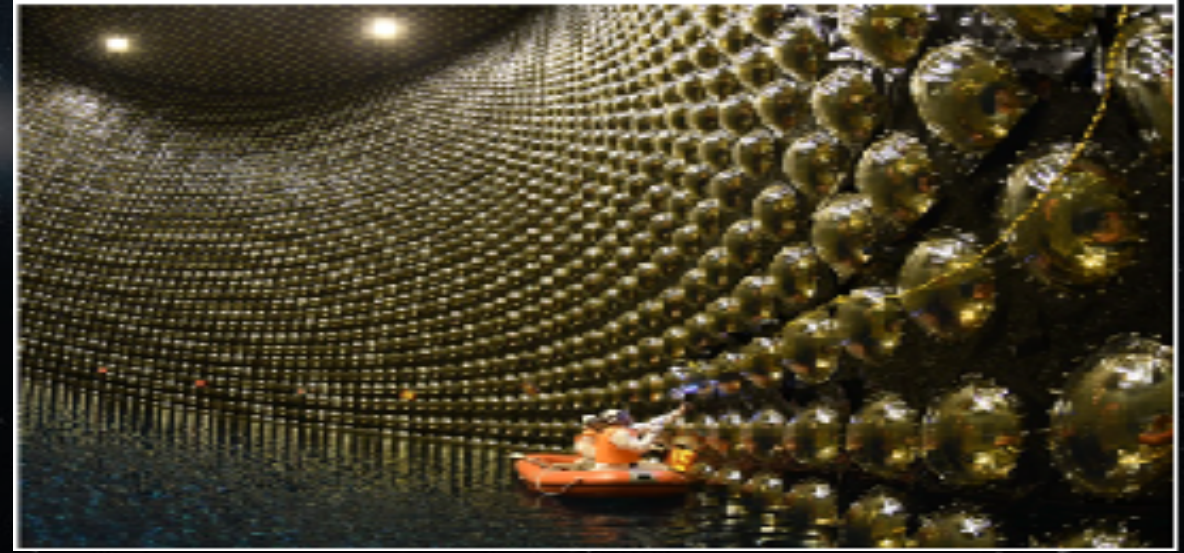
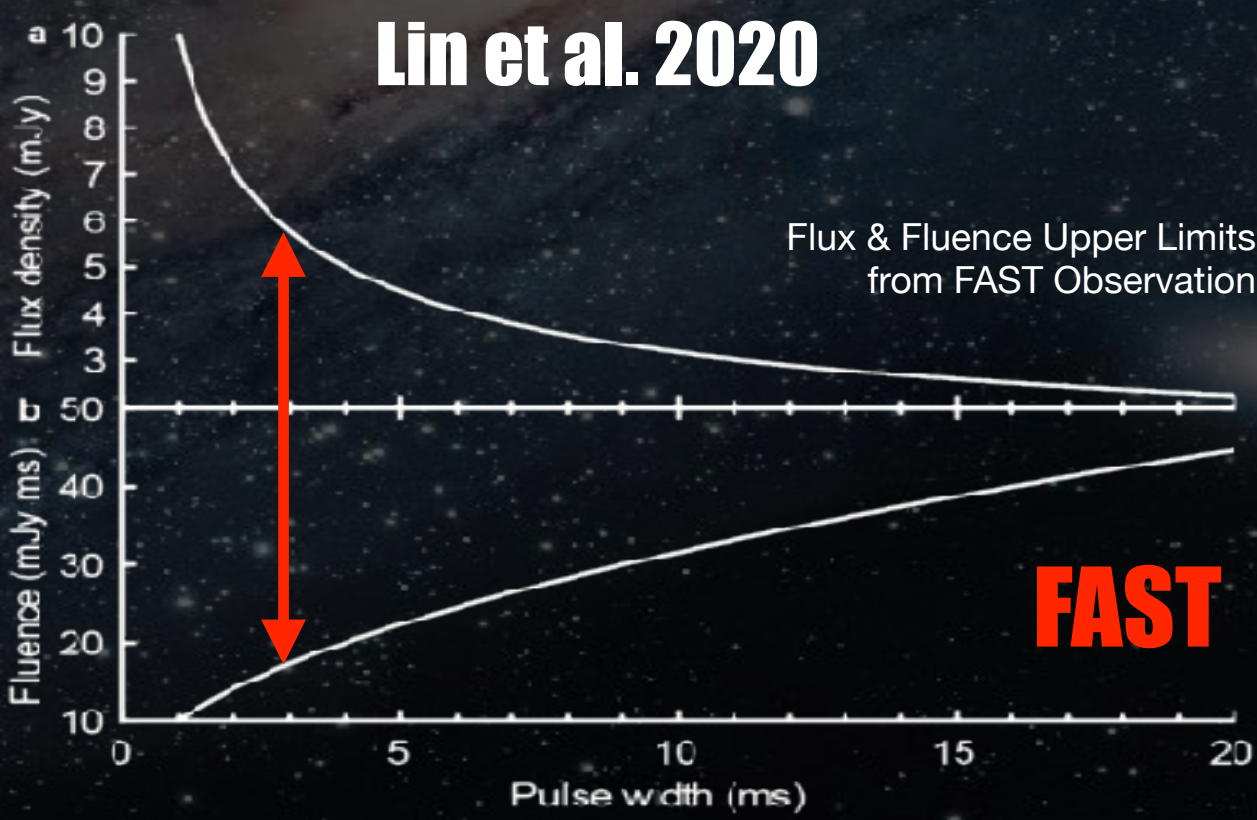
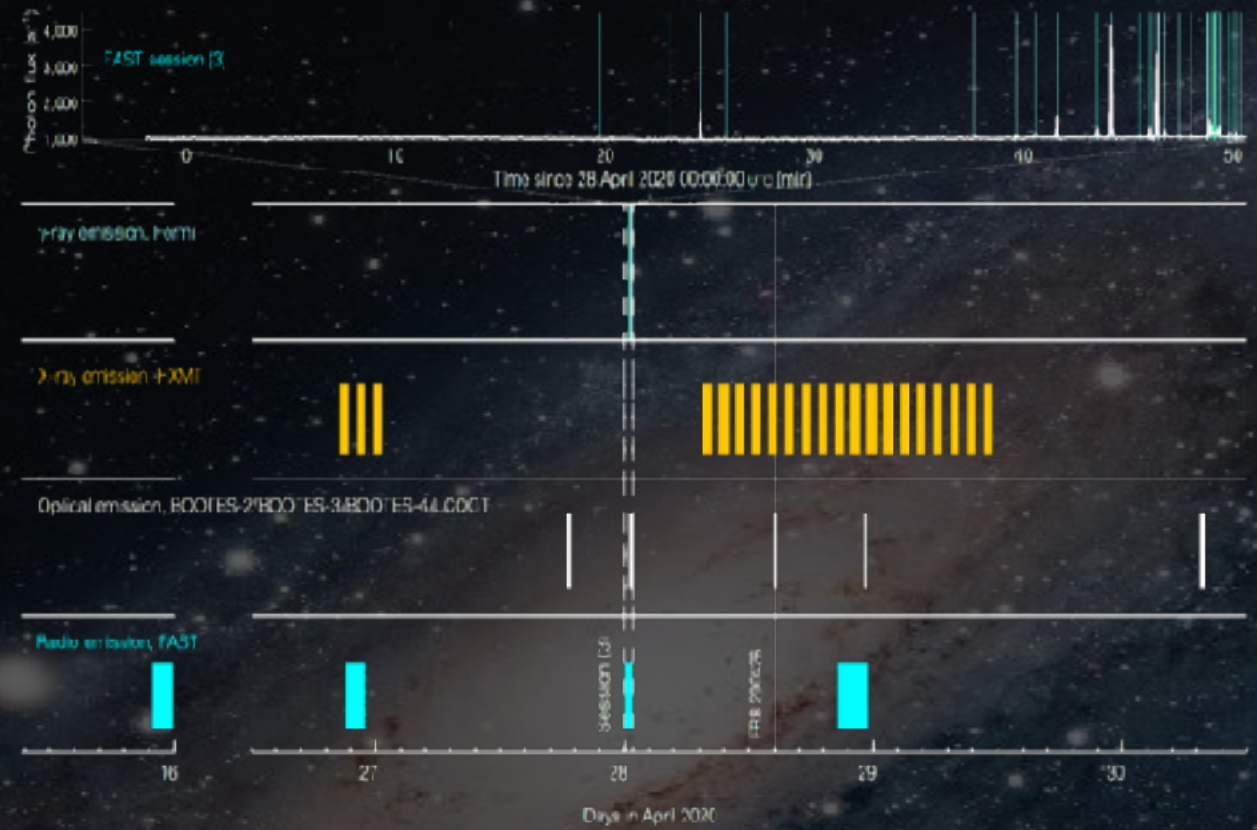
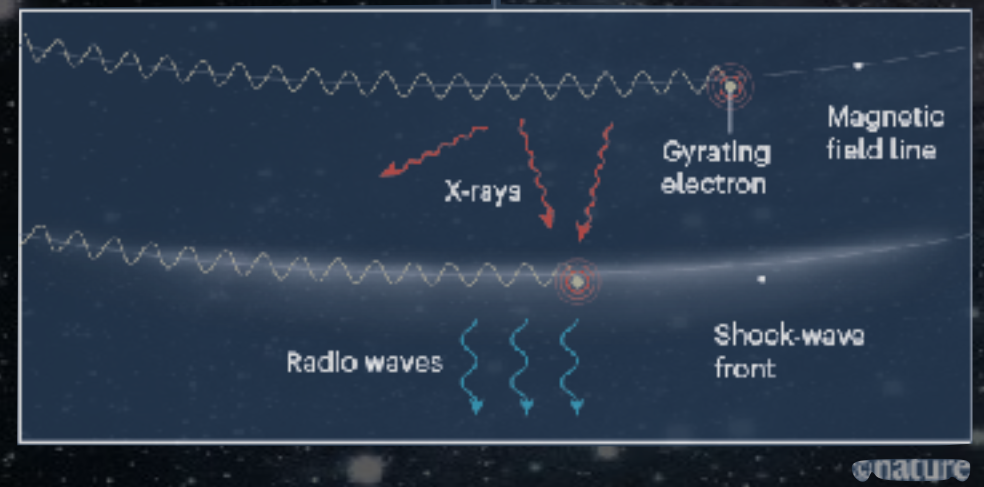
$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\pi (x^2 + 1)}$$



# SGR J1935+2154 / FRB 200428 - the first Galactic FRB?

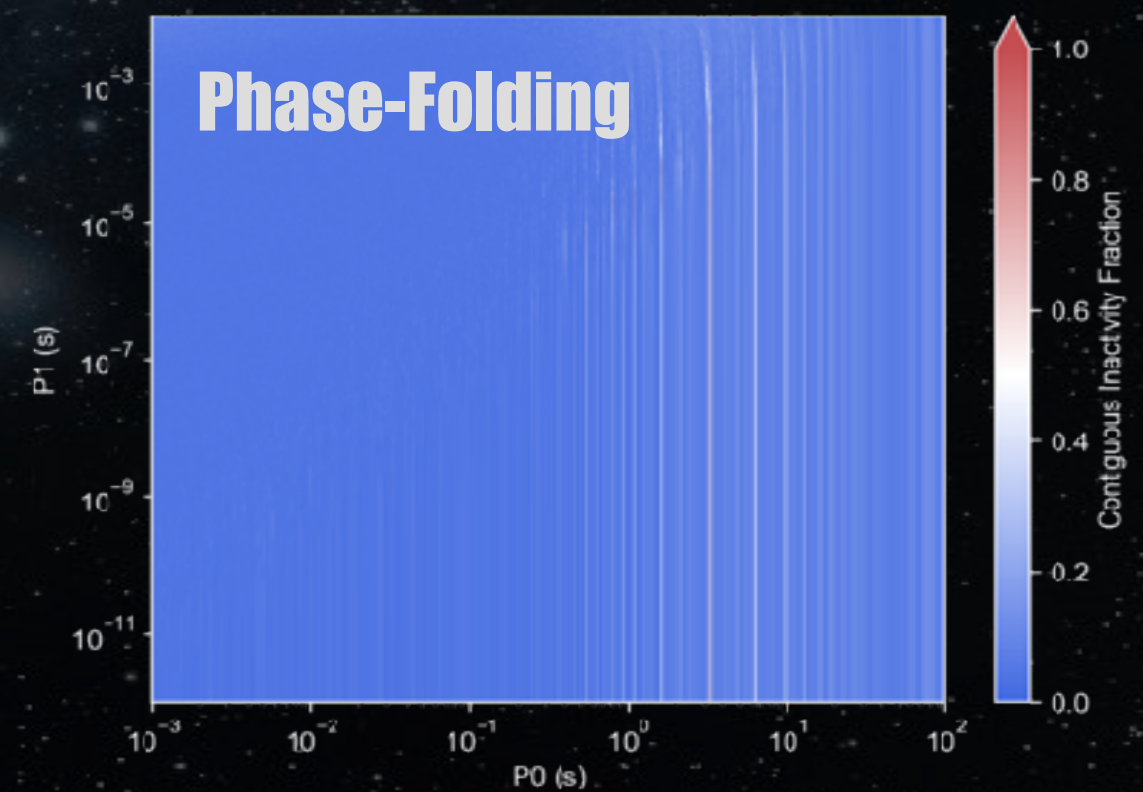
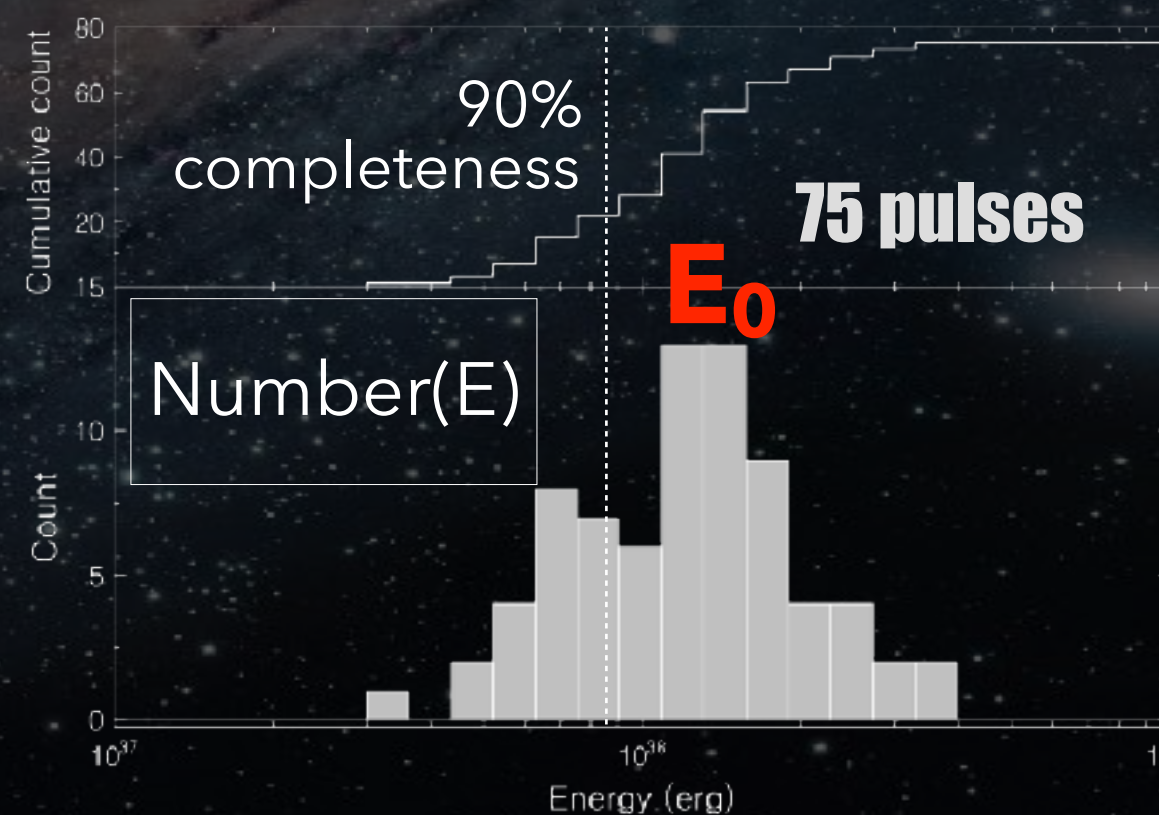
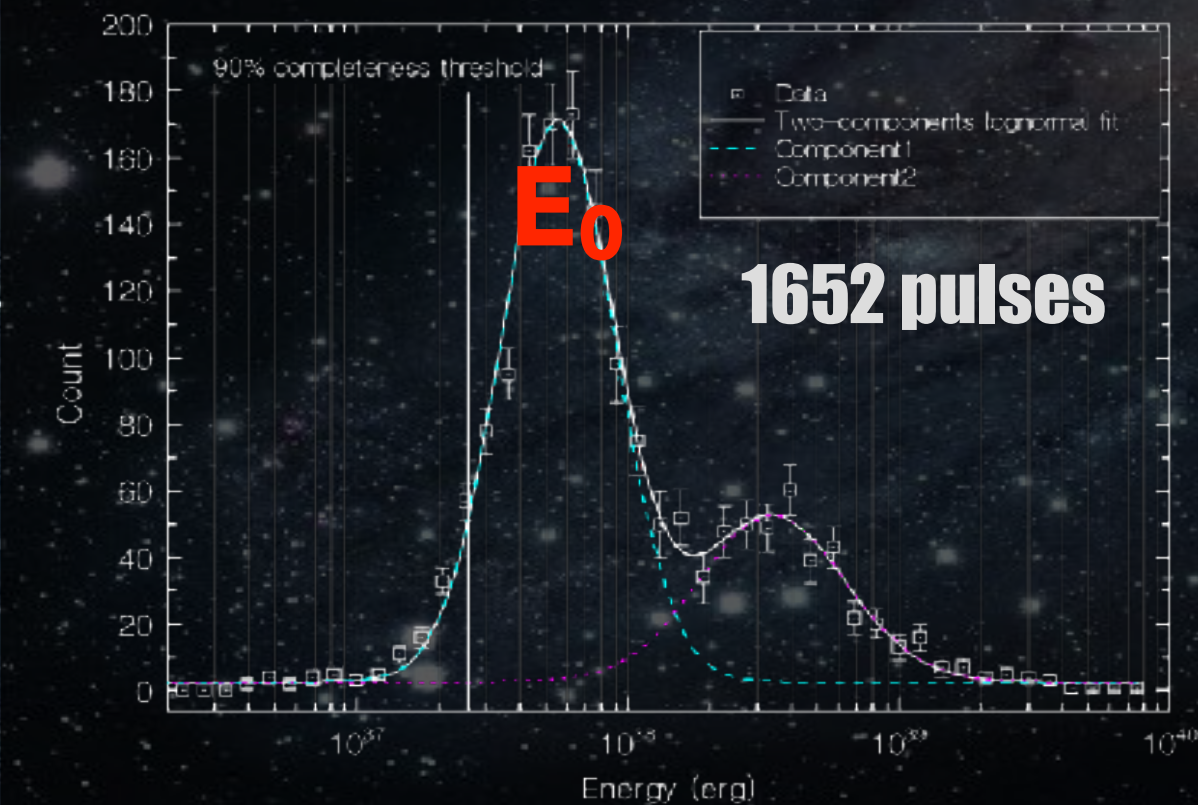
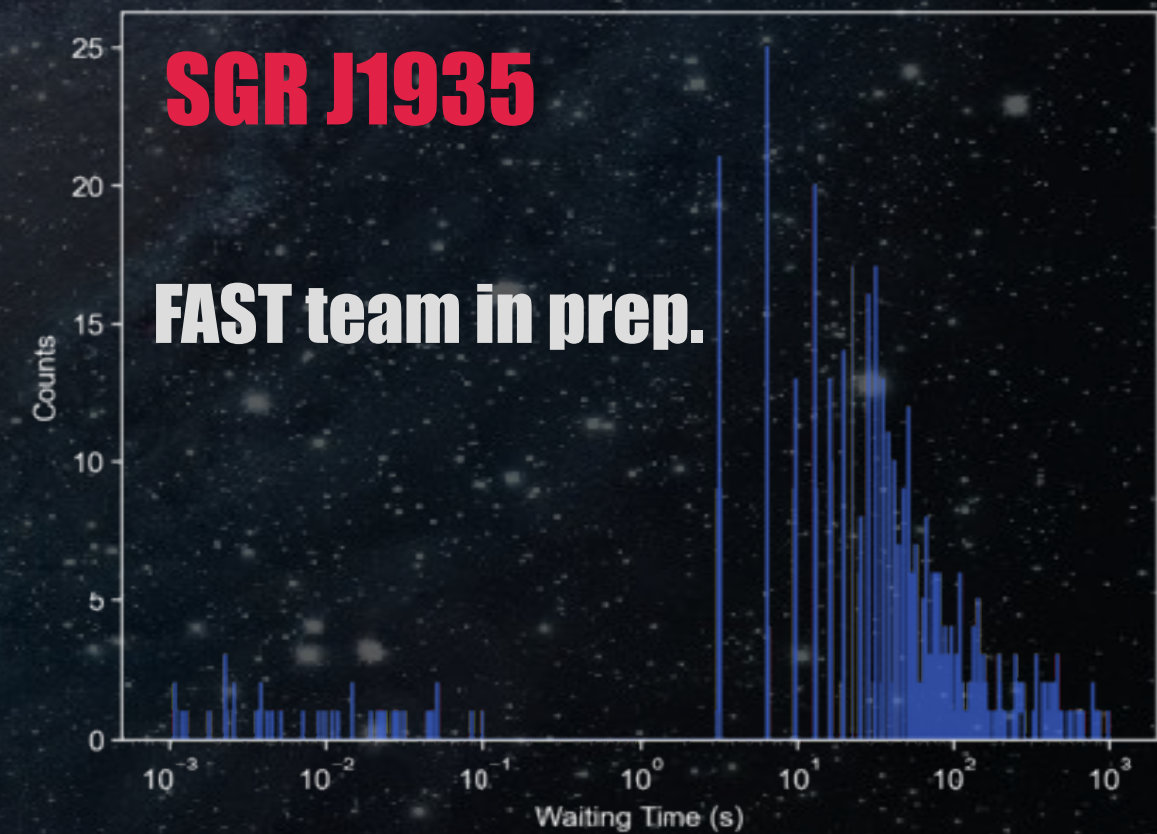
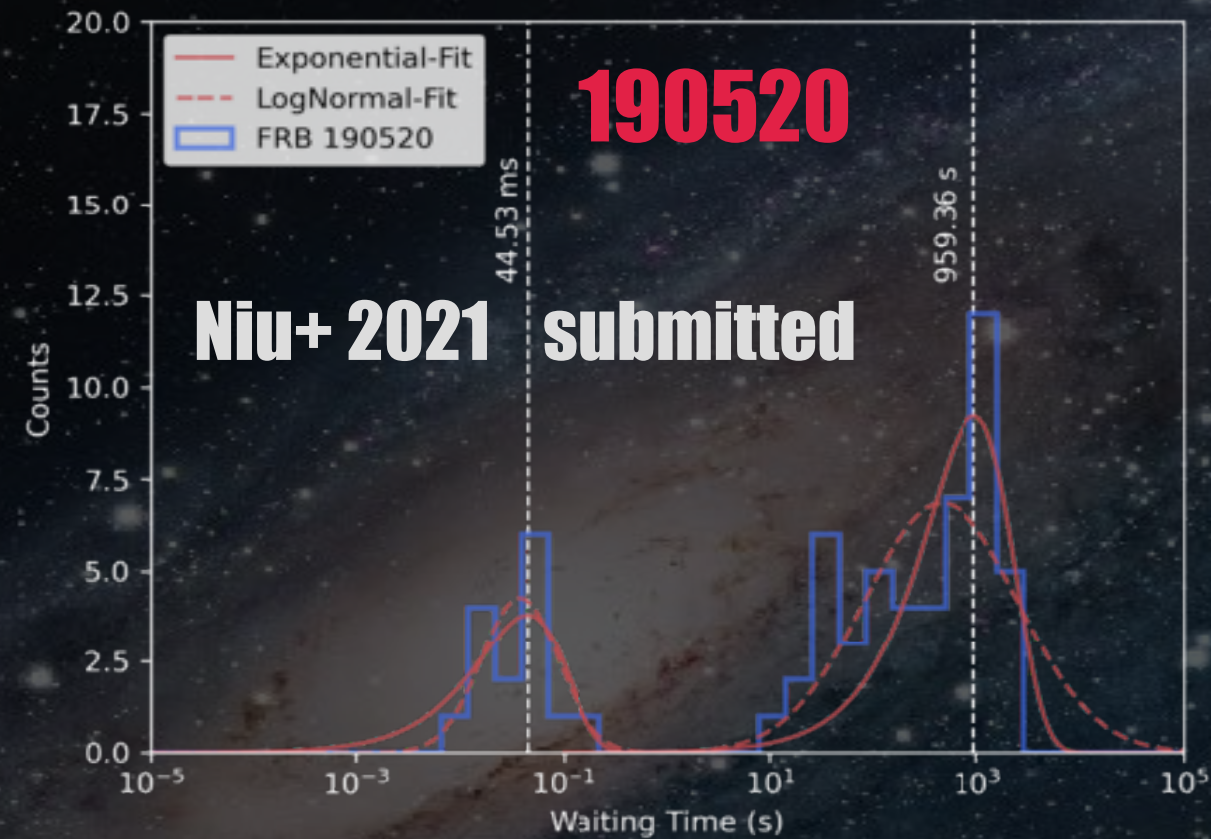
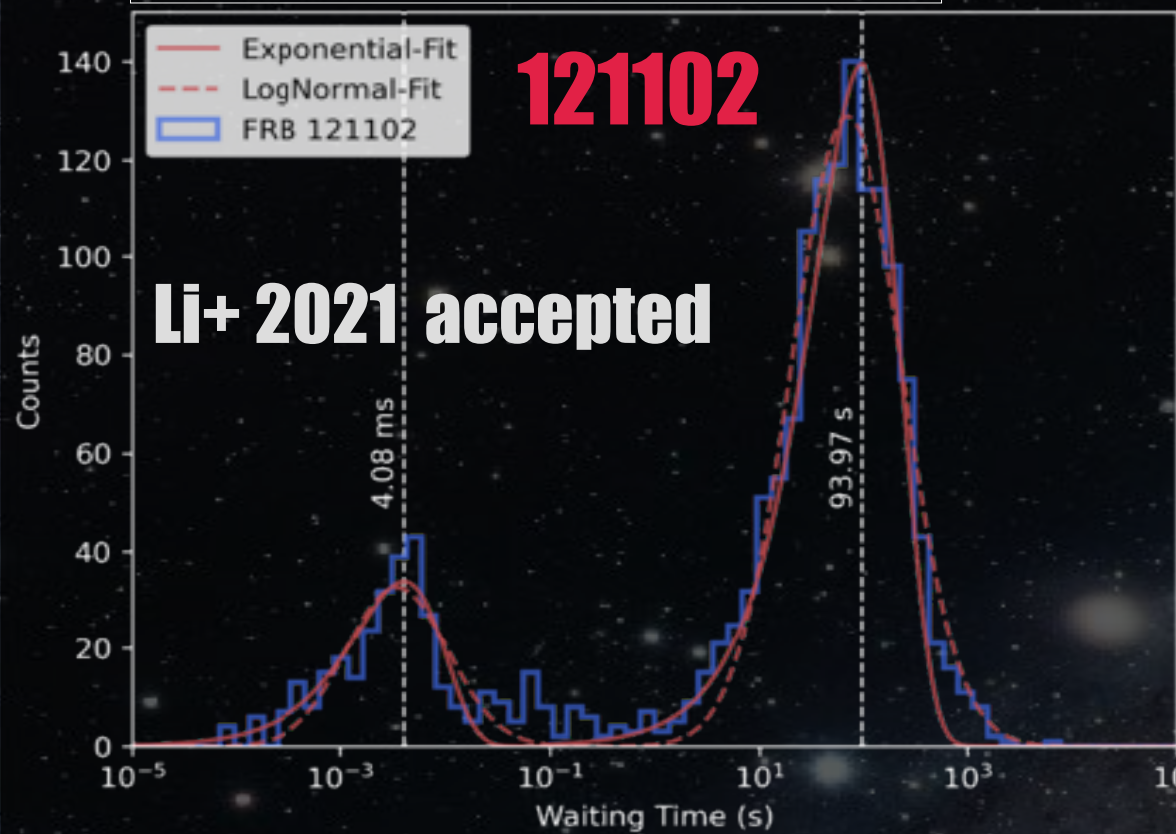


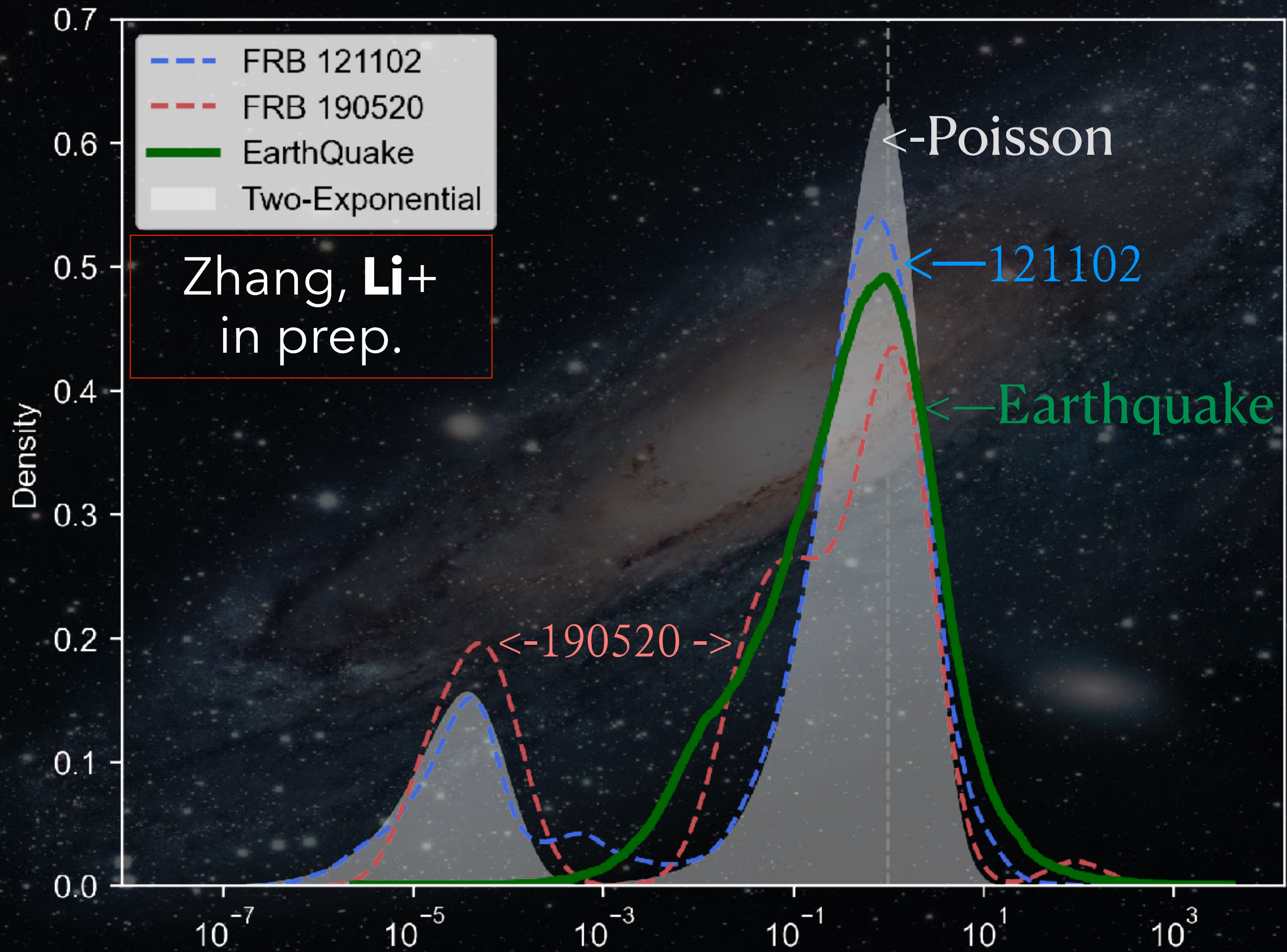
入选《自然》和《科学》杂志分别评选的2020年度世界科技十大进展。



# Sibling *Rivalry*?

Waiting Time (s)





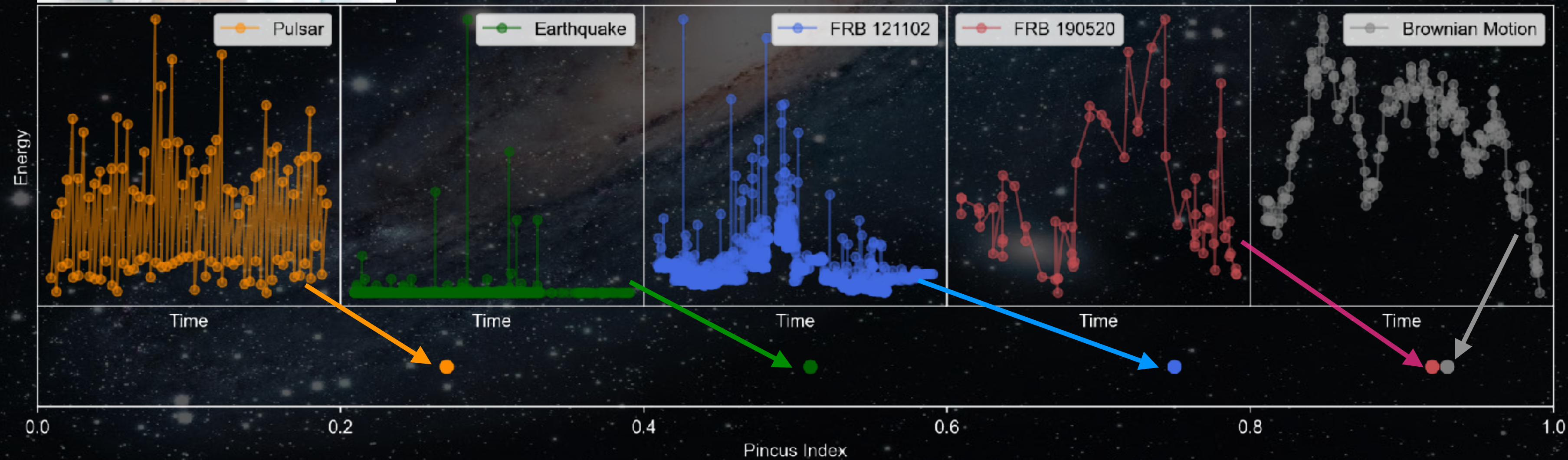
Normalized  
Waiting Time of  
two FRBs and  
Earthquake



张永坤

# Pincus Index

$$MaxApEn = \max_r \left( -\frac{1}{N-m} \sum_{i=1}^{N-m} \log \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{N-m} \text{dist}(x_j, x_i) < r}{N-m} \right)^{\frac{m+1}{m}}$$





# In Search of the True Universe

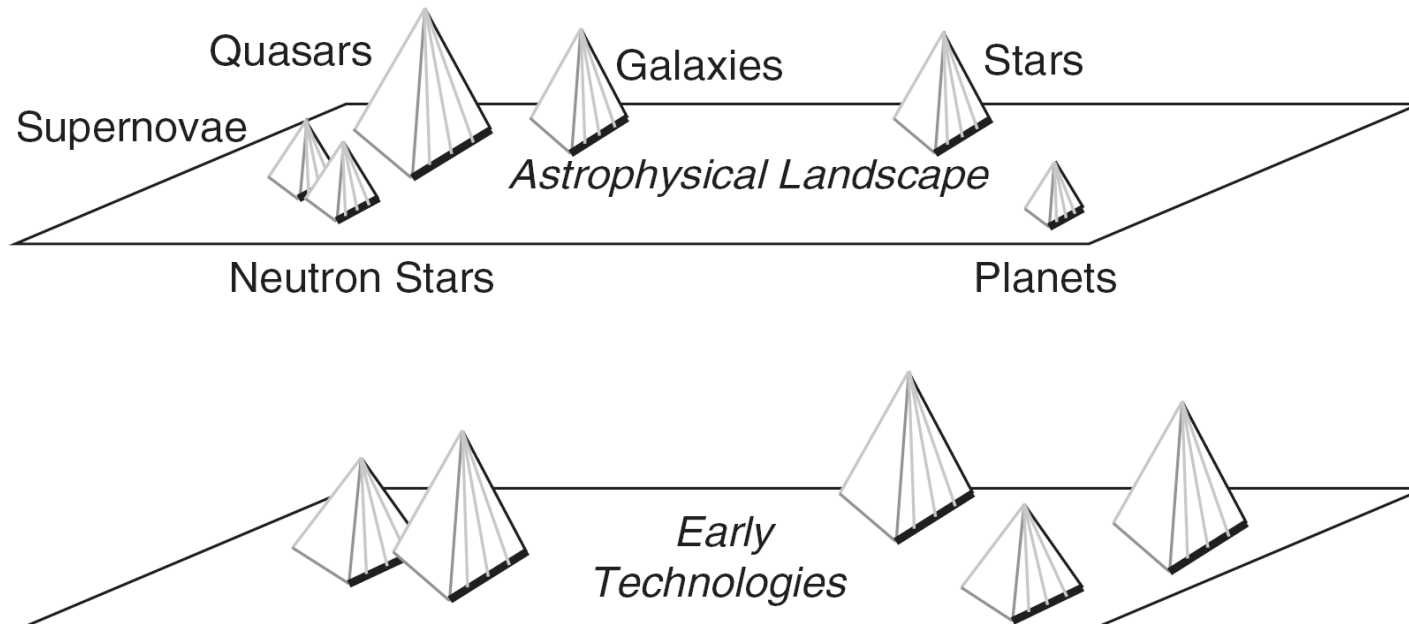
The Tools, Shaping, and Cost of Cosmological Thought

Martin Harwit

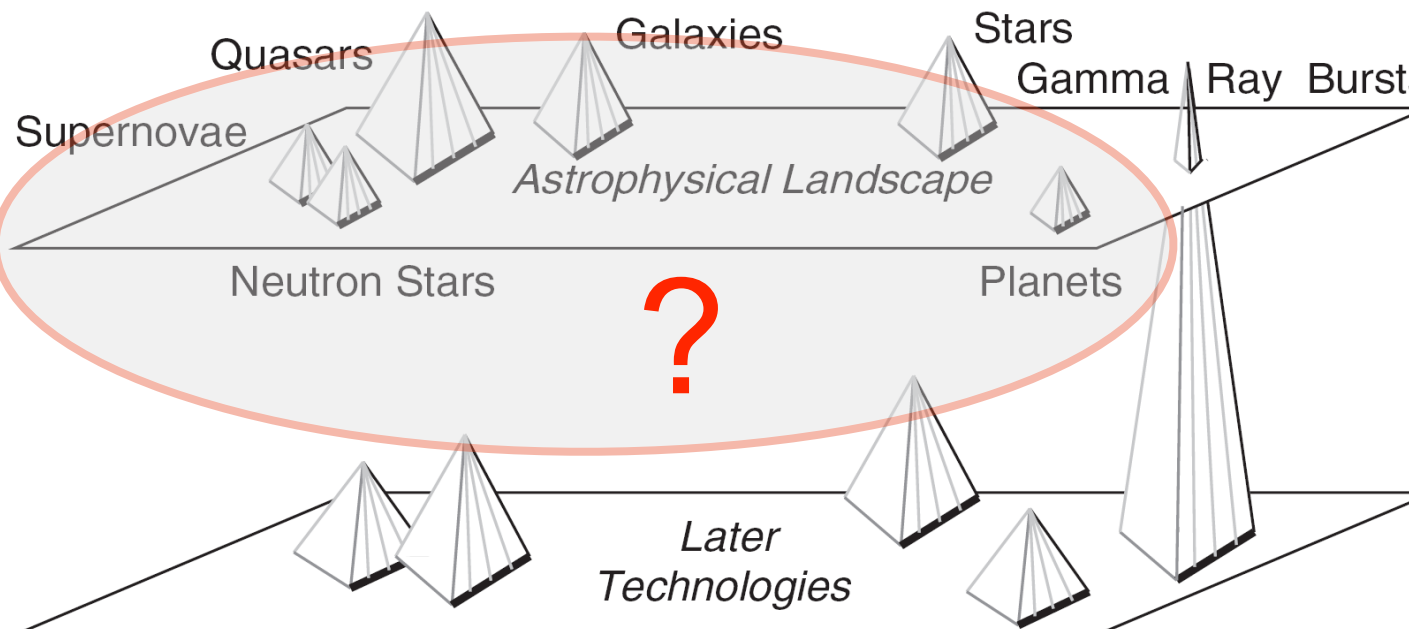
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BEFORE GAMMA-RAY SENSORS WERE AVAILABLE IN SPACE



AFTER GAMMA-RAY SENSORS BECAME AVAILABLE IN SPACE



# Immanuel Kant (1724–1804)



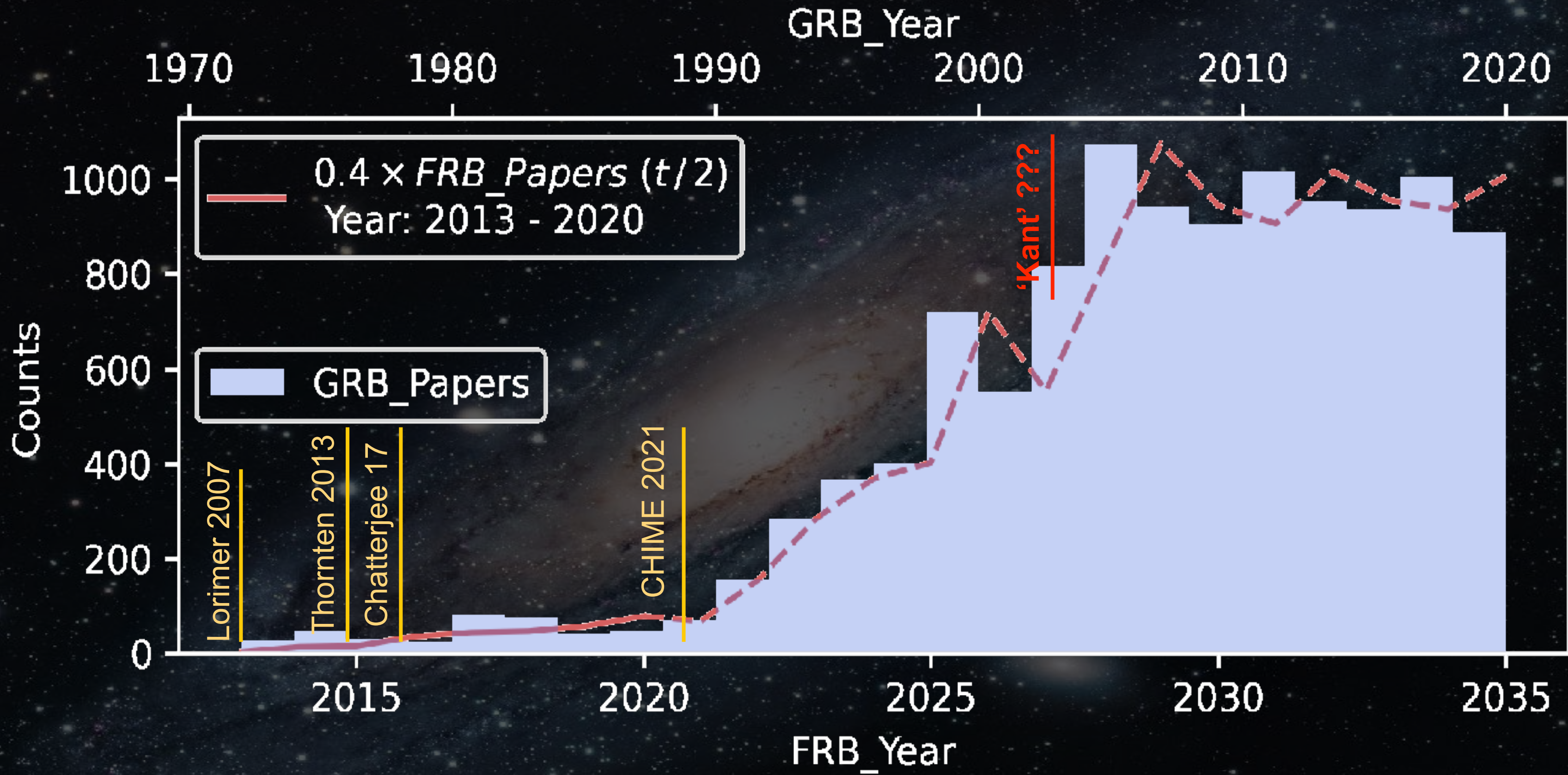
«The Critique of Pure Reason»

A Copernicus revolution: reason within experience

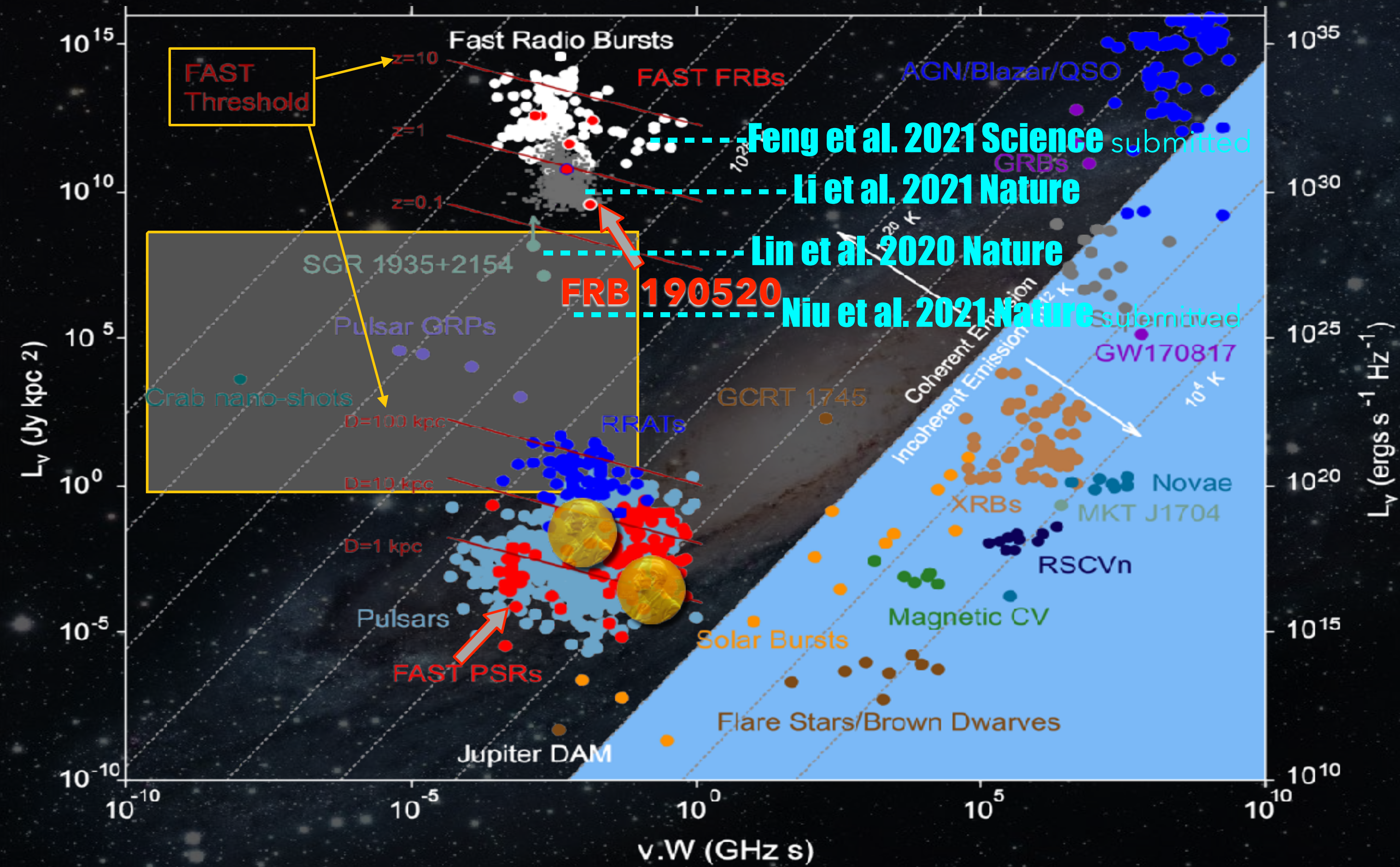
**Definitional truth:** the agreement of cognition with its object

**A priori knowledge:** pulsars produces pulses, so do many other processes

**Synthetic posteriori judgement:** FRB origin?



**Li et al. 2021 《科学通报》**



**FAST**

Reveal  
the  
Transient  
Sky

Credit: Wang, Zhang & Niu (cf. Keane 2018 "The Future of FRBs")

**Descartes:** *"I think therefore I am."*

**Kant:** *"Thoughts without content are empty. Intuition without concept are meaningless."*

**Mach:** *"When the human mind, with its limited powers, attempts to mirror in itself the rich life of the world...it has every reason for proceeding economically. In reality, the law always contains less than the fact itself, because it does not reproduce the fact as a whole but only in that aspect of it, which is important for us, the rest being intentionally or from necessity omitted."*



A photograph of the Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical Telescope (FAST) in Guizhou, China, at dusk. The large, circular dish is illuminated from below, and its steel structure is visible. In the background, two smaller towers with red lights are visible against the twilight sky. The text 'FAST More to come ...' is overlaid on the image.

**FAST** *More to come ...*

**CRAFTS** *the first commensal survey of pulsars, HI, and transients*  
**CRAFTS** *discovers hundreds of new pulsars and FRBs*  
**FRB 121102** *more pulses than all other FRB publications combined*  
**FRB 190520** *the hipper and weirder brother of 121102*