

# THE LOW-MASS MEMBERSHIP OF THE OCTANS ASSOCIATION

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# ...a parable for Gaia

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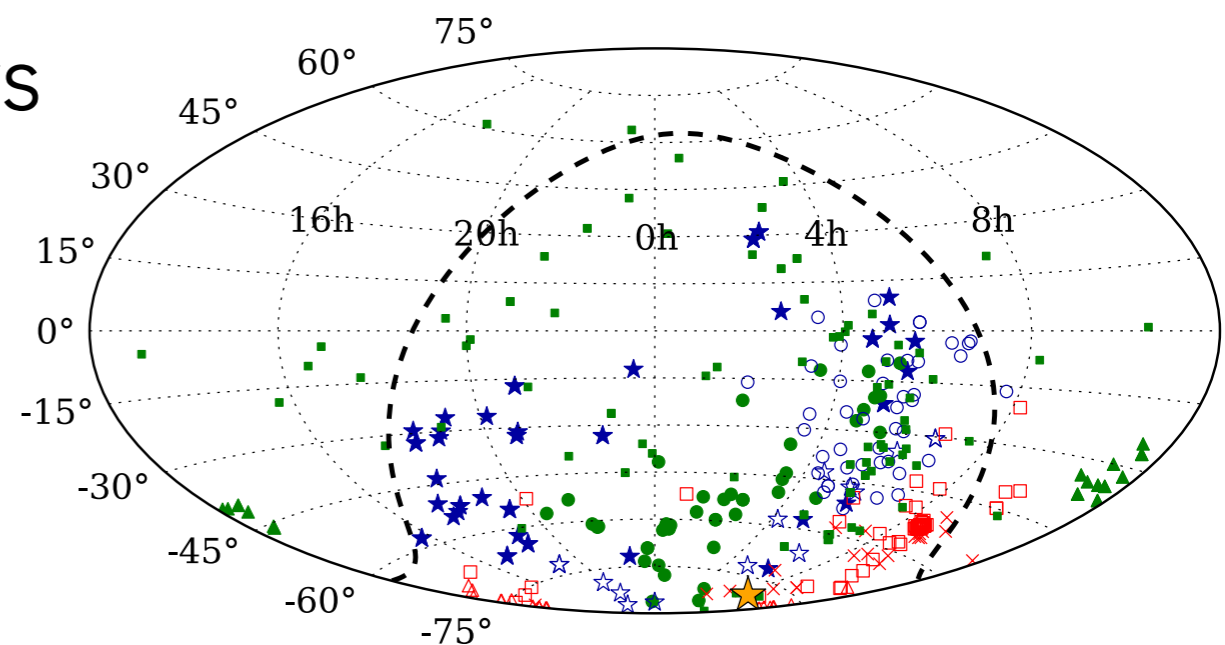
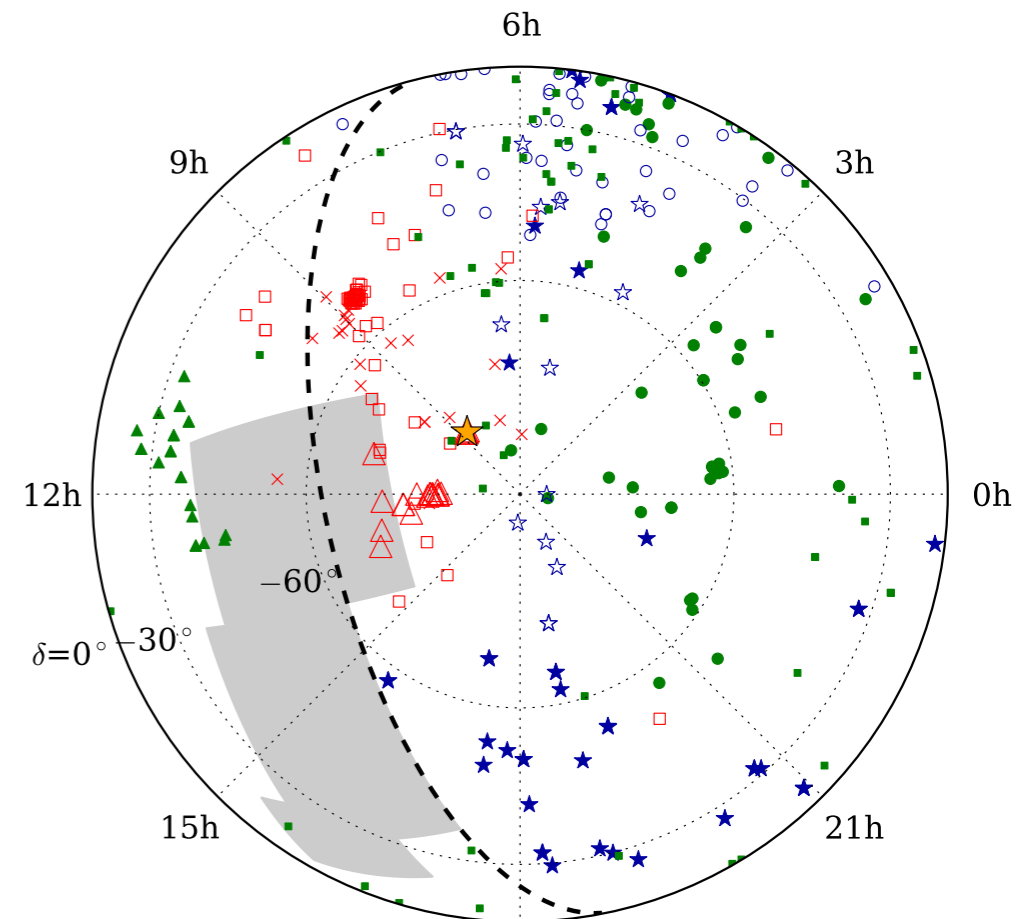
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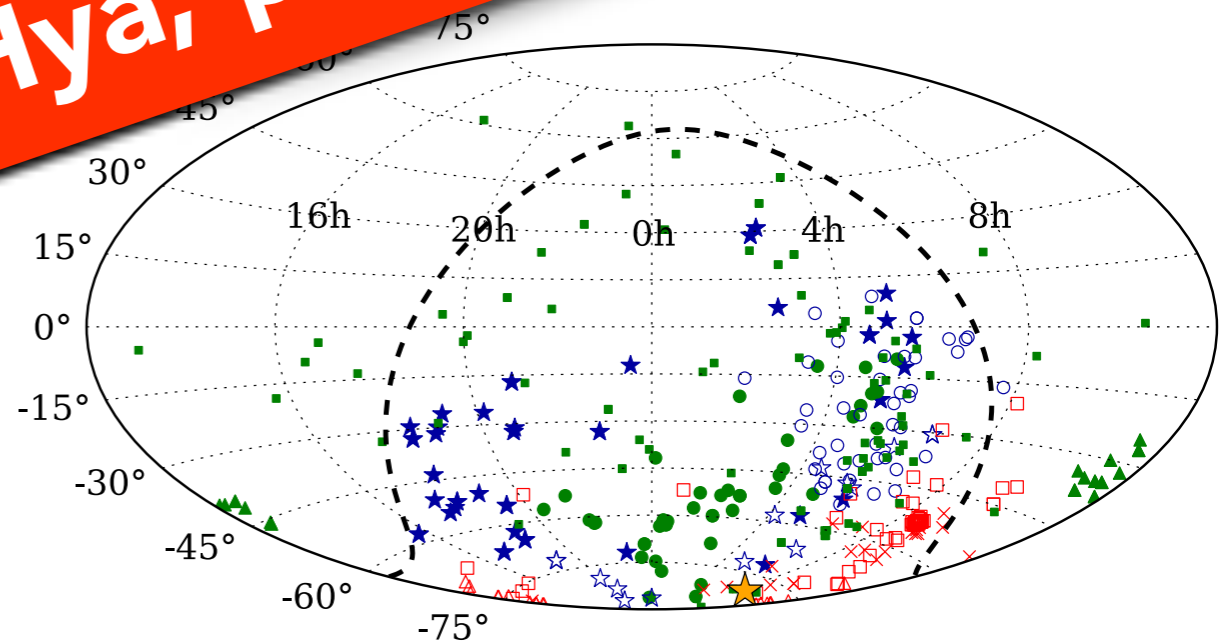
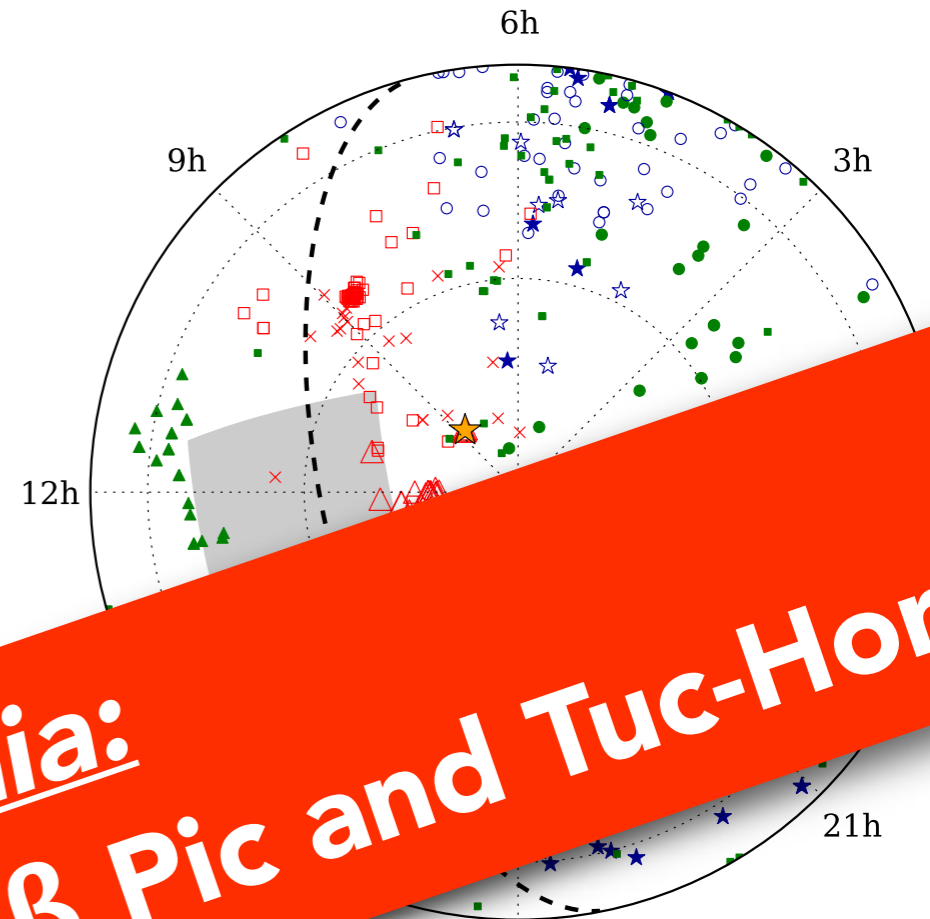
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- Low-mass and BD members are benchmarks (IMF, DISKS, PLANETS)
- Absolute ages uncertain ( $\times \sim 2$ )
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- *Hipparcos* and multi- $\lambda$  surveys a game-changer, BUT
- Spectroscopy still vital



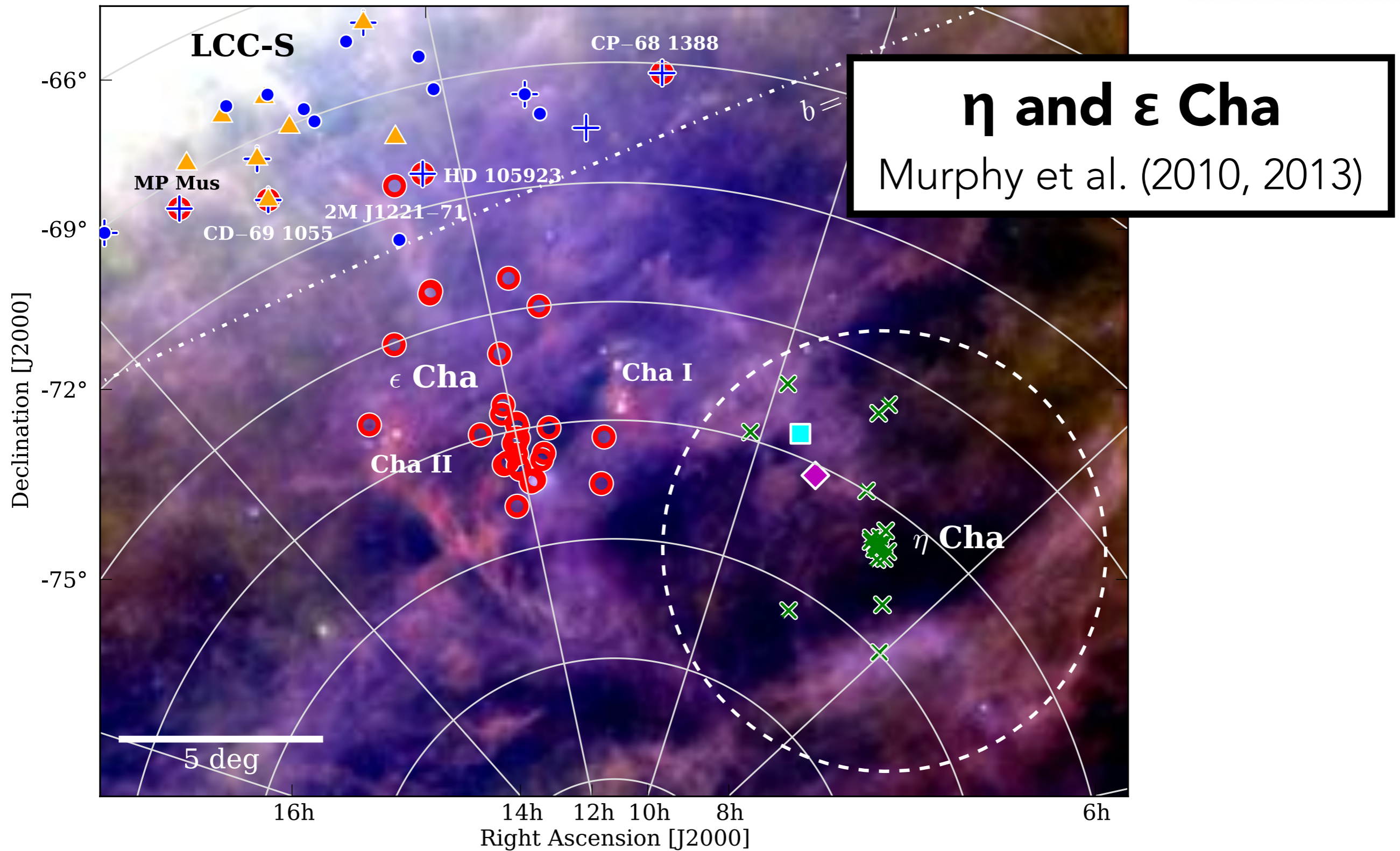
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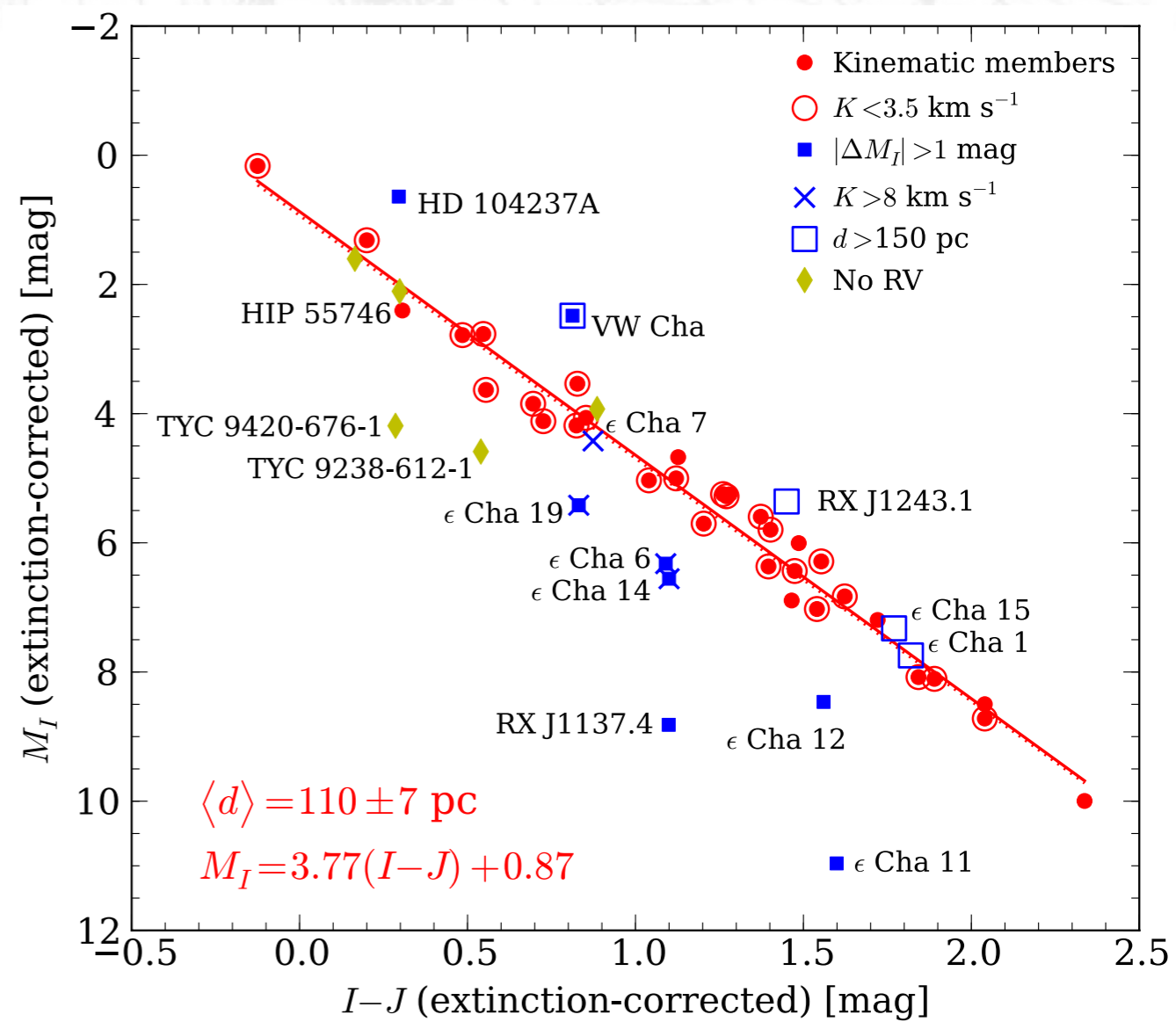
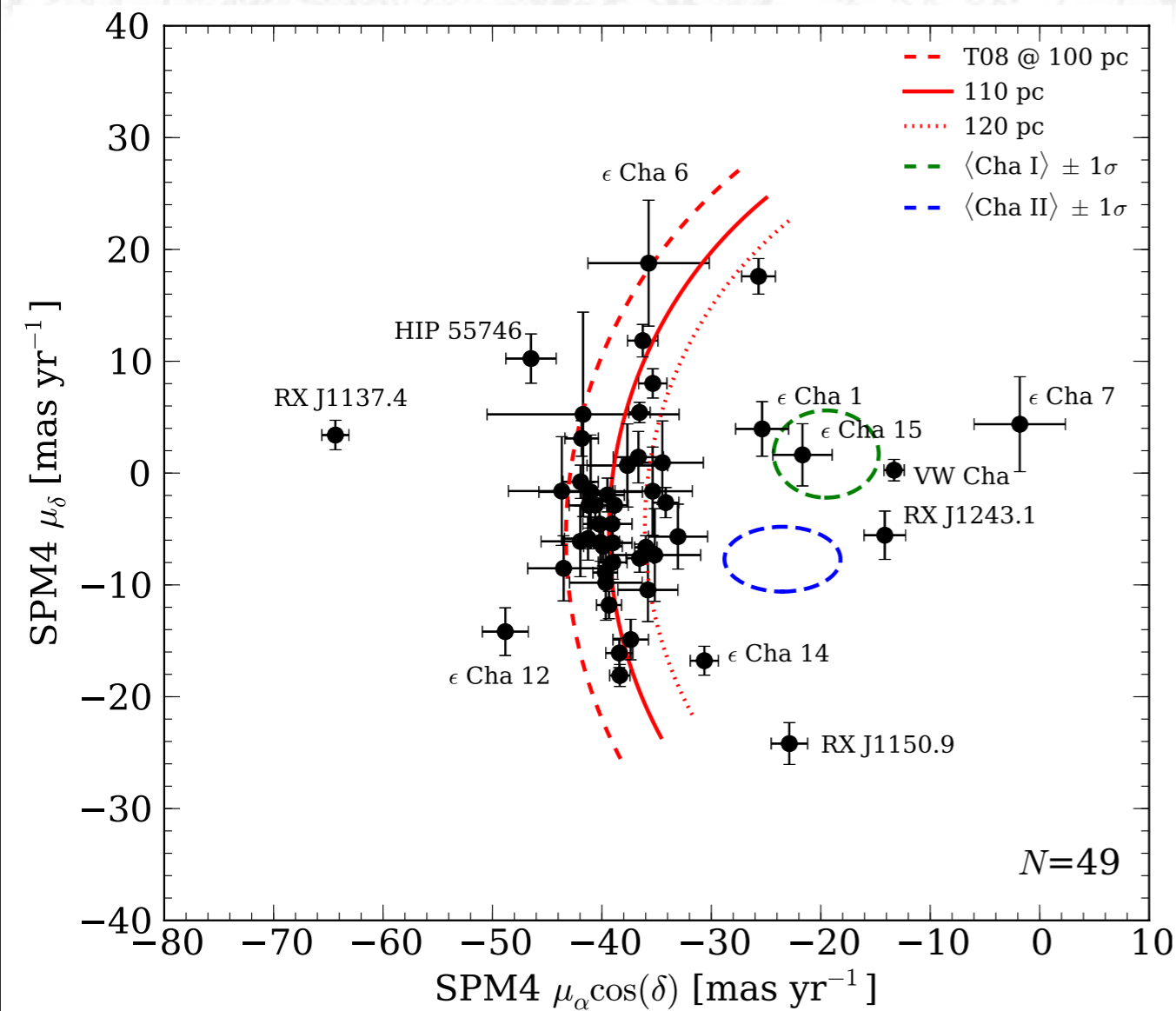


**Lesson 1 for Gaia:**  
**More out there than TW Hya,  $\beta$  Pic and Tuc-Hor!**

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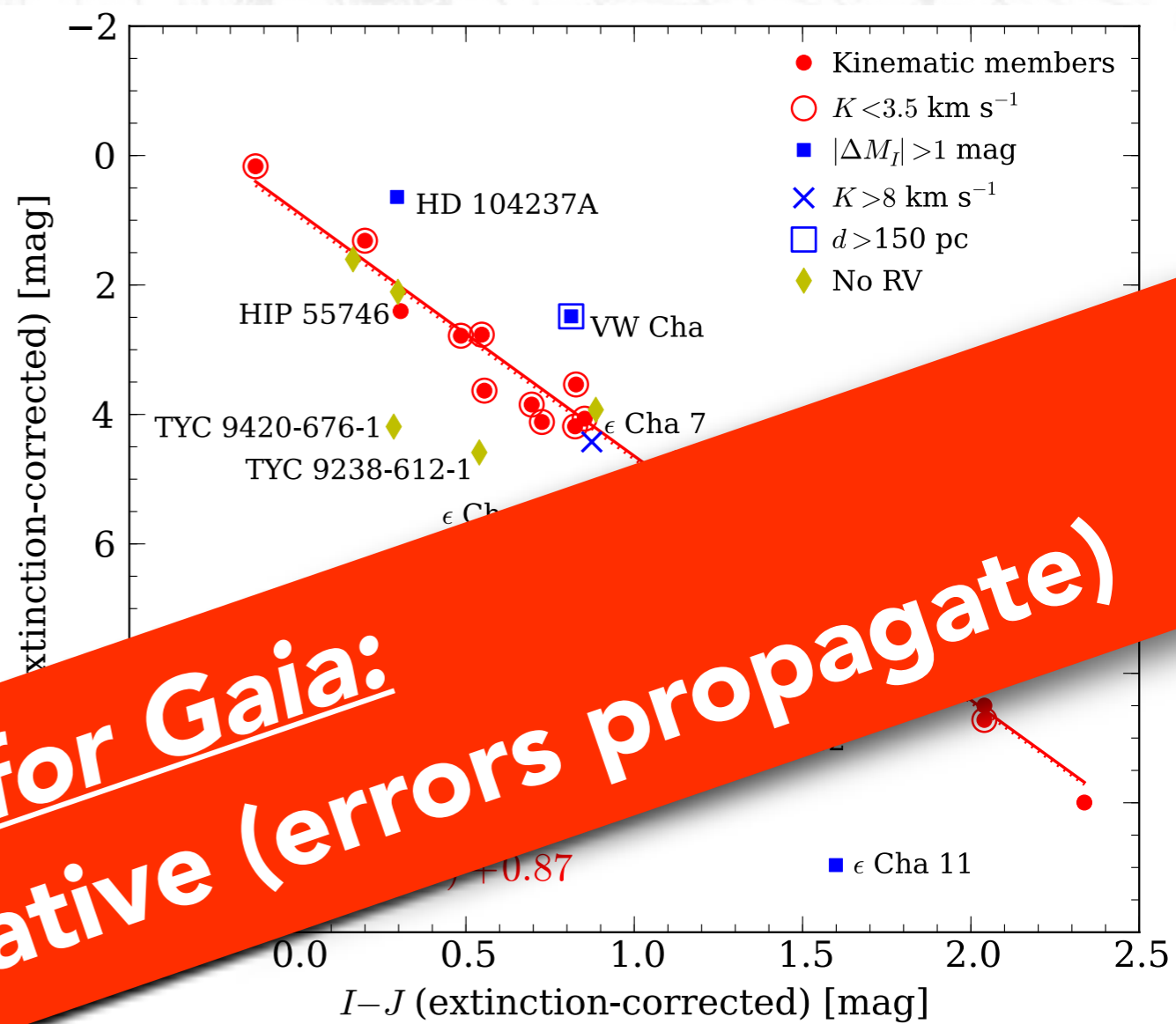
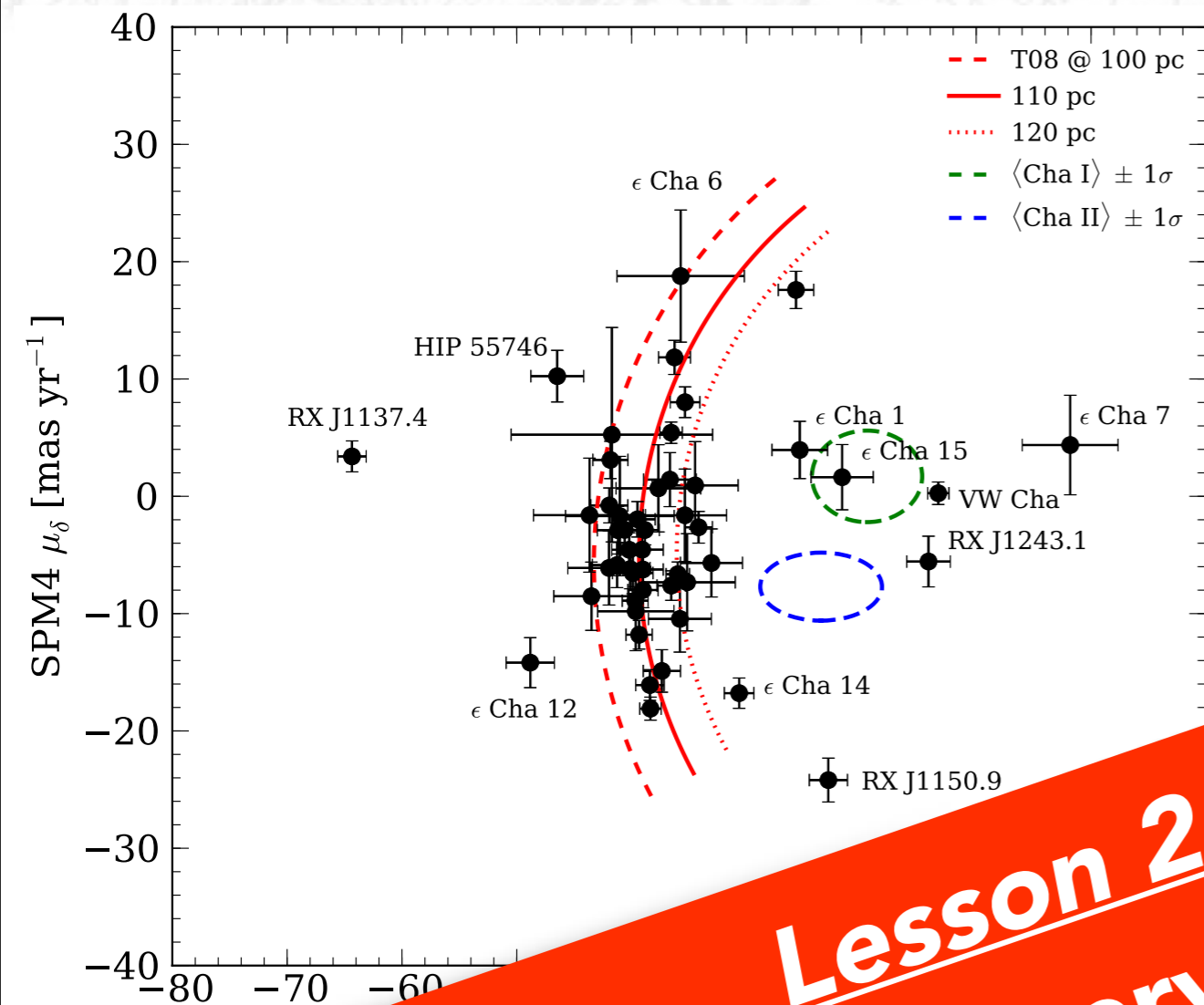


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- Two distinct populations, many non-members
- Not just PMs:  **$\mu$ ,  $d_{\text{kin}}$ , CMD, RV, Li, low-g, X-ray, IR...**

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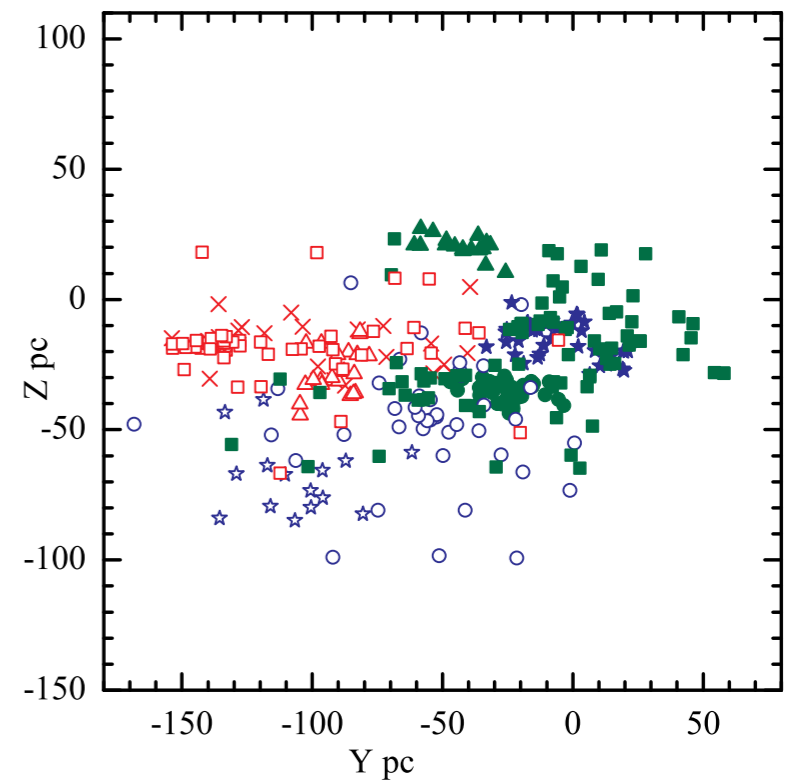
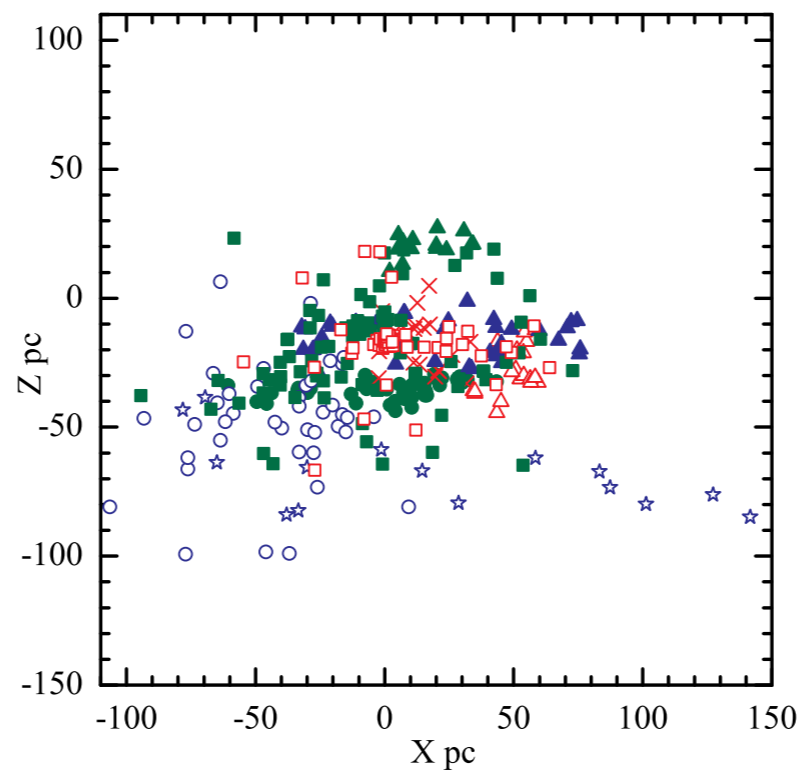
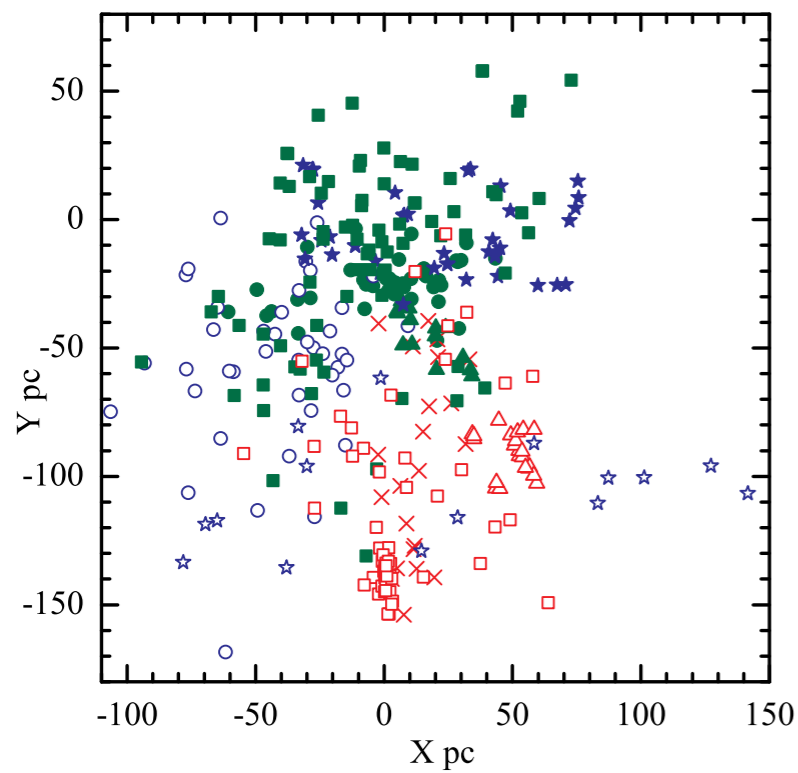
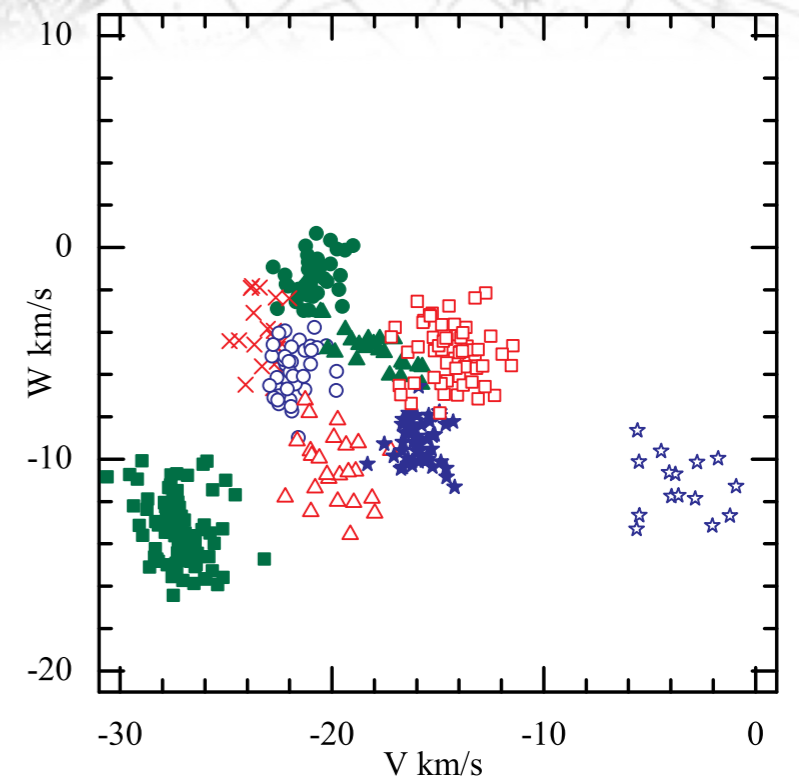
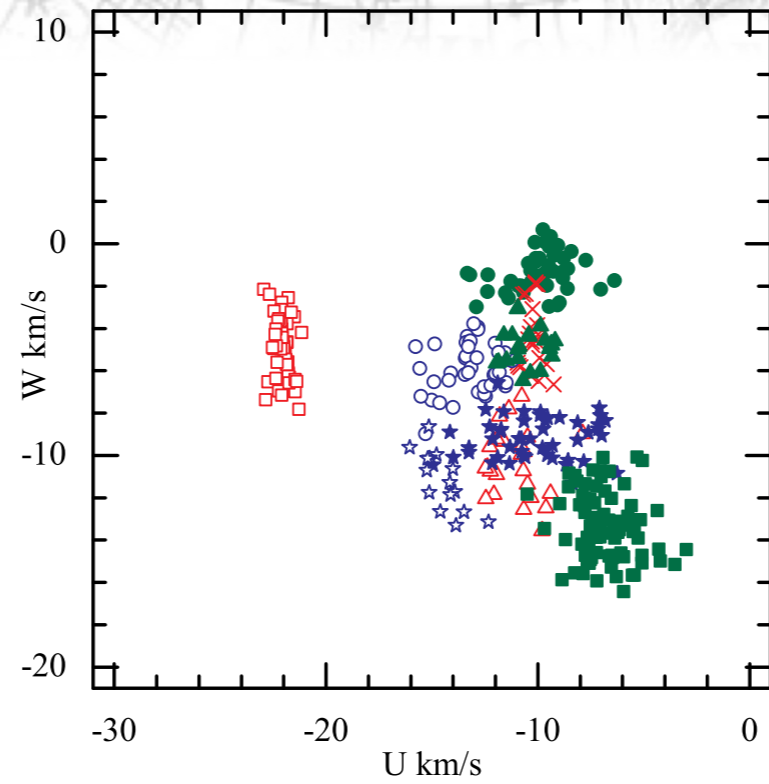
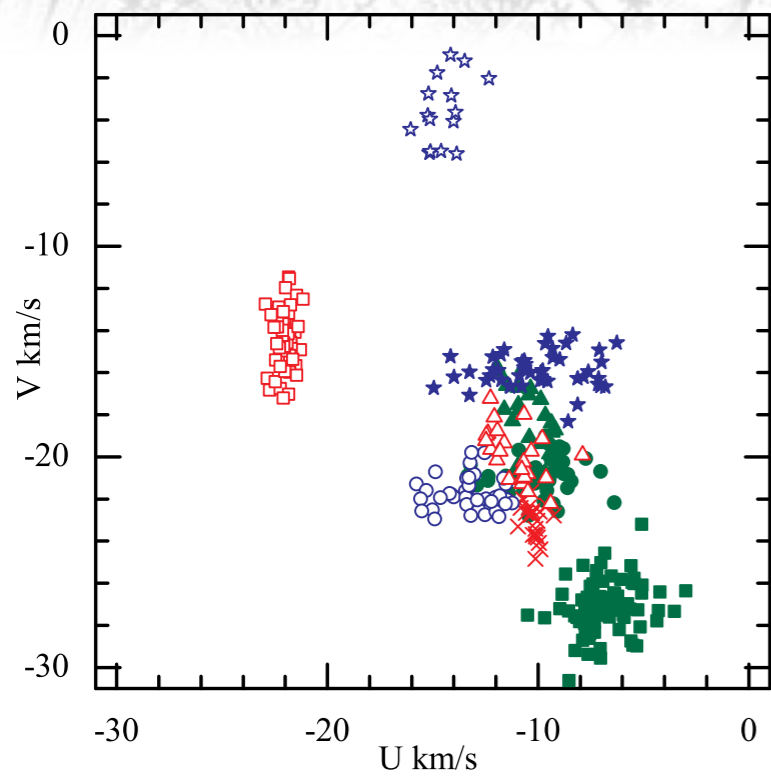
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**Be holistic and conservative (errors propagate)**

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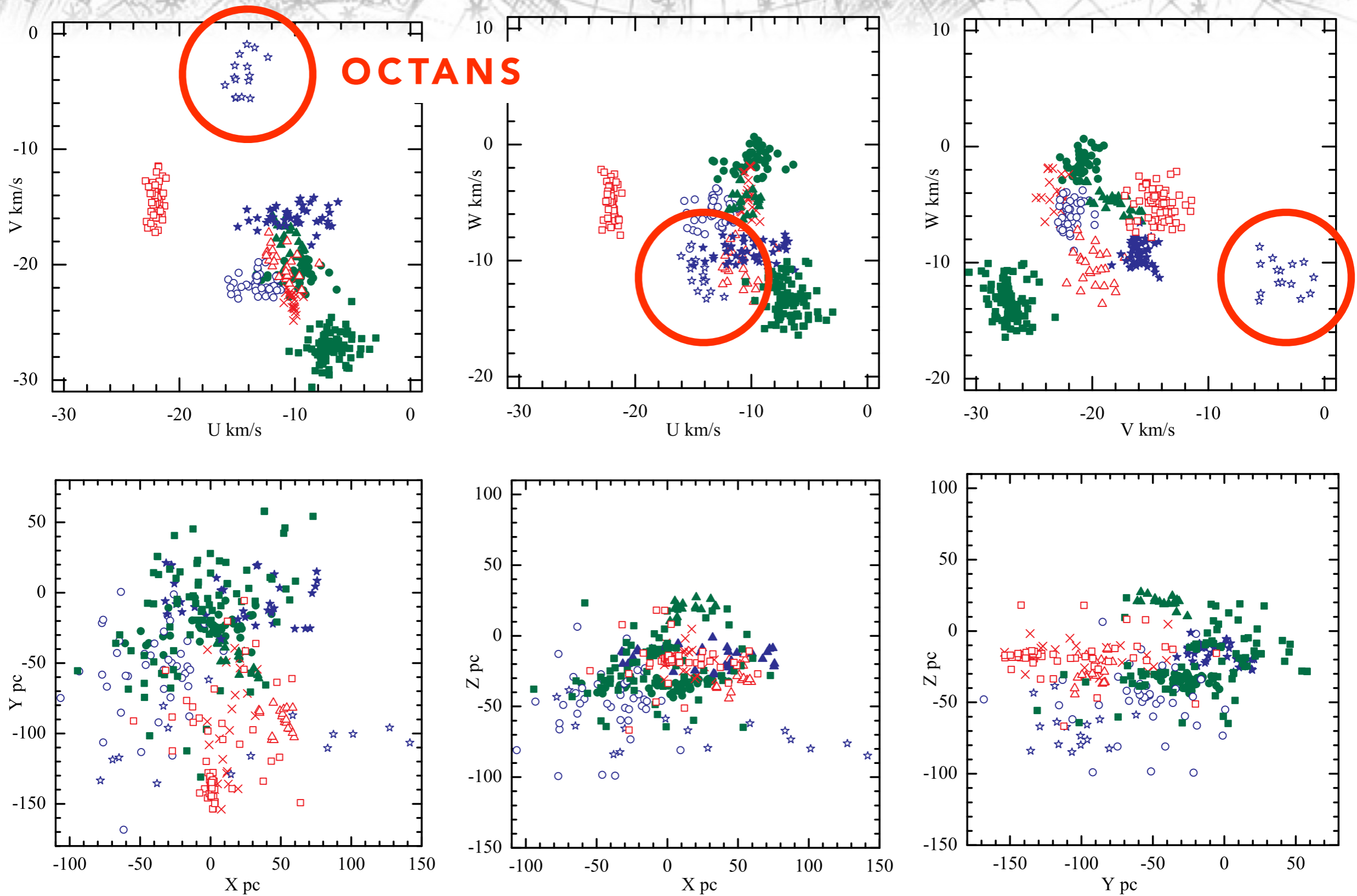
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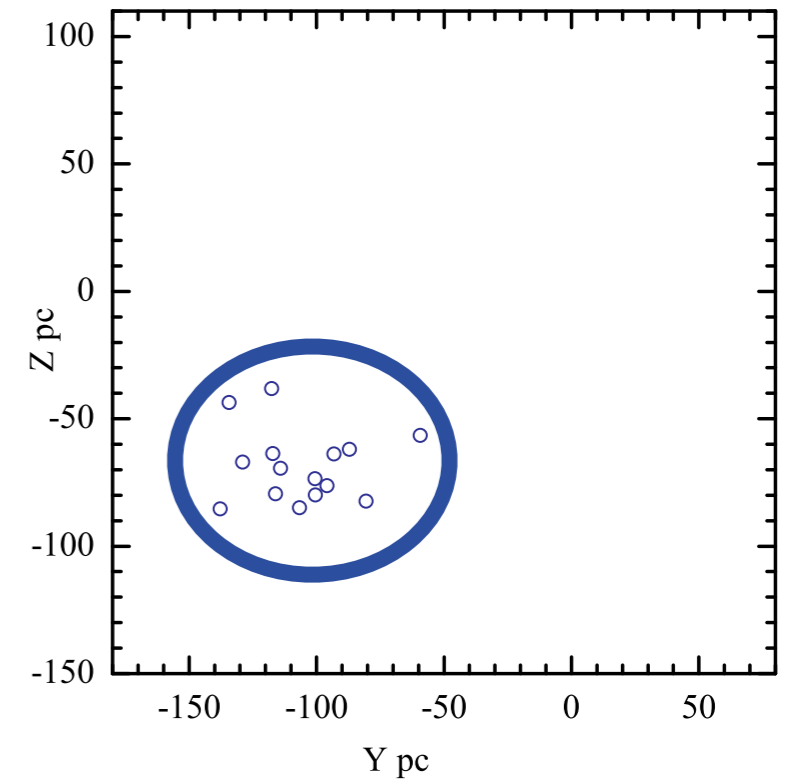
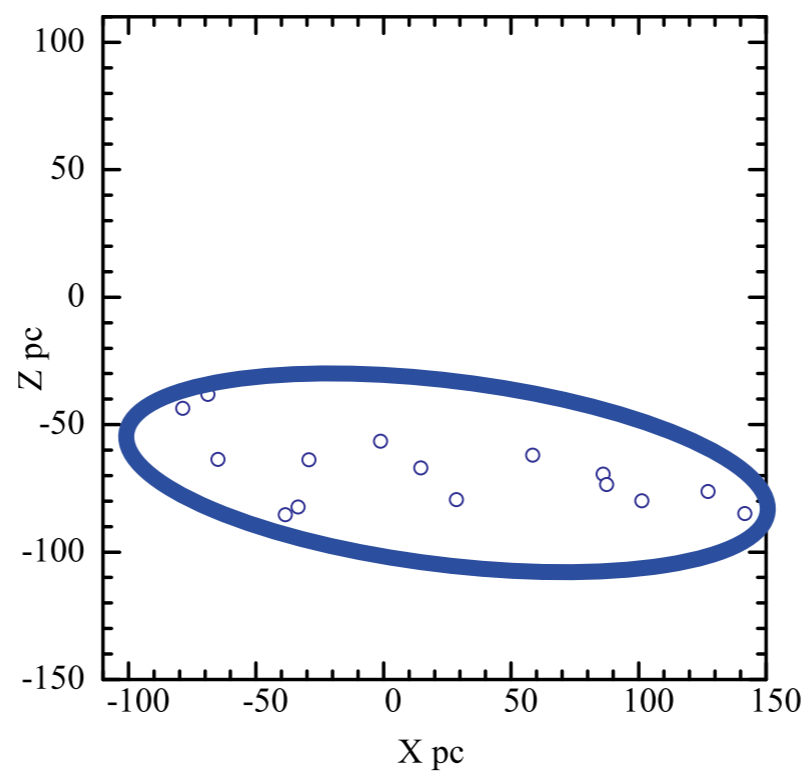
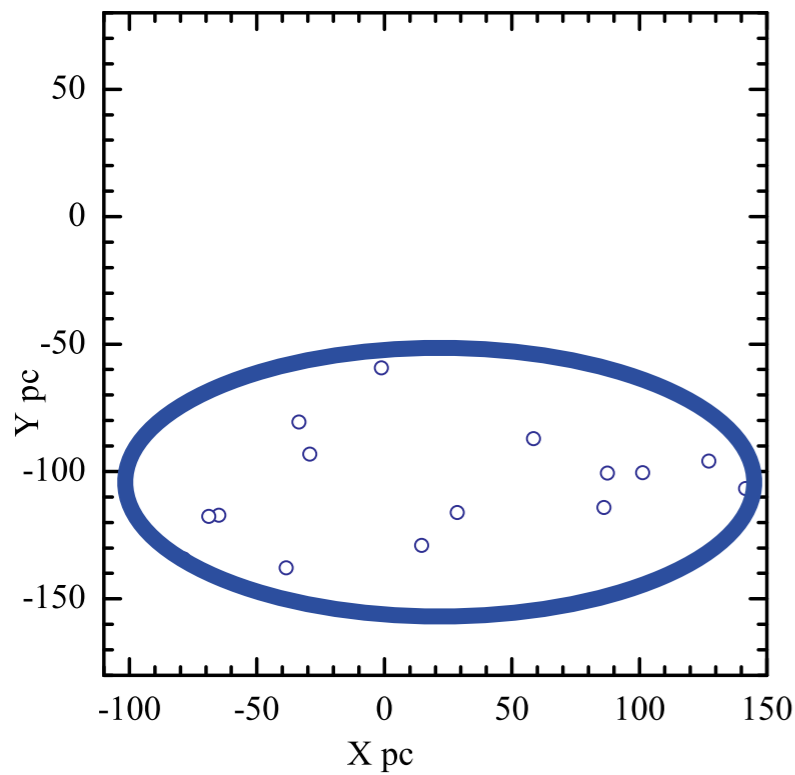
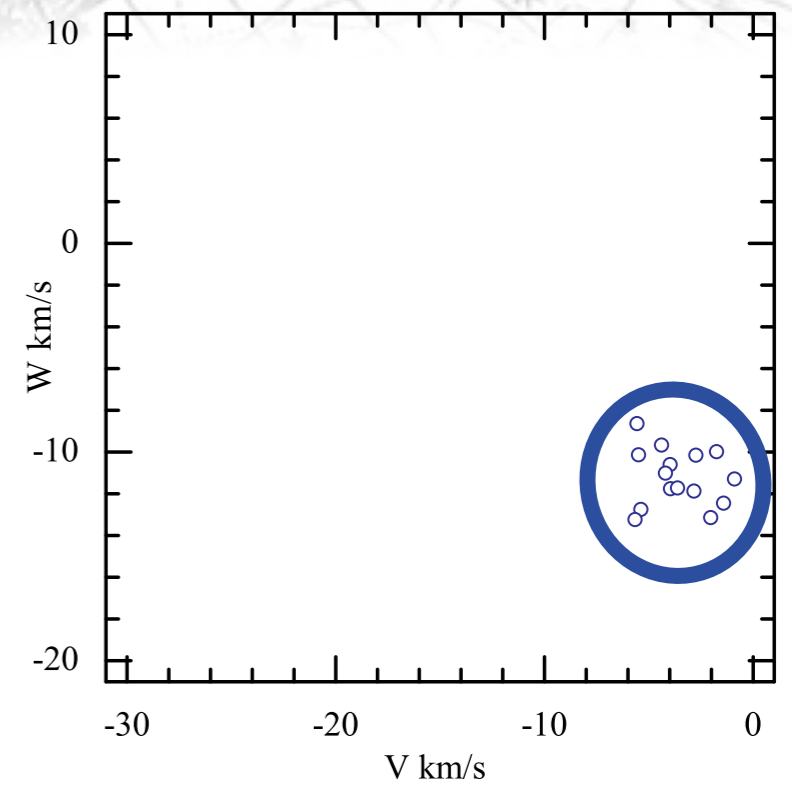
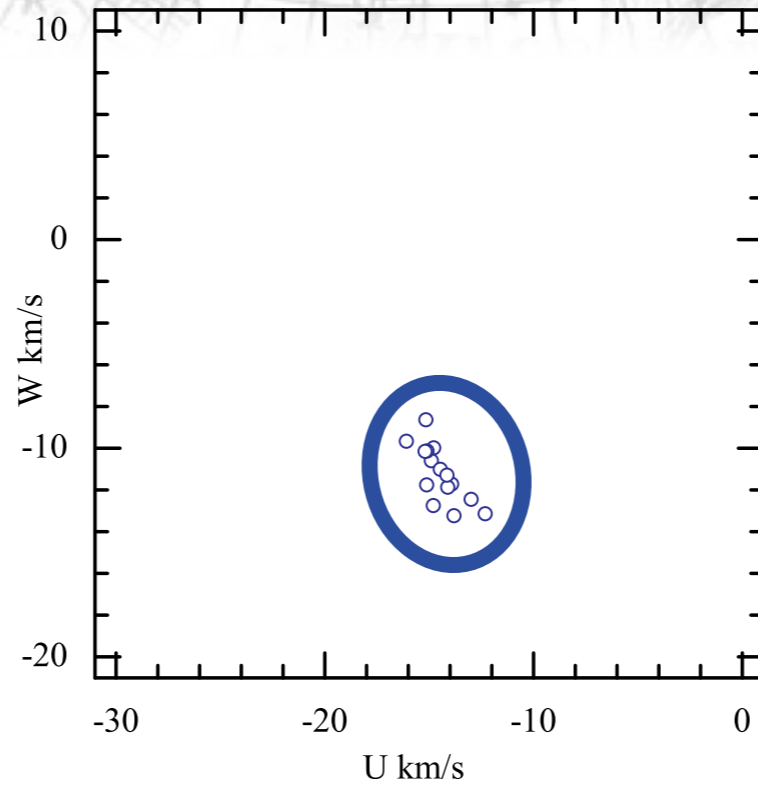
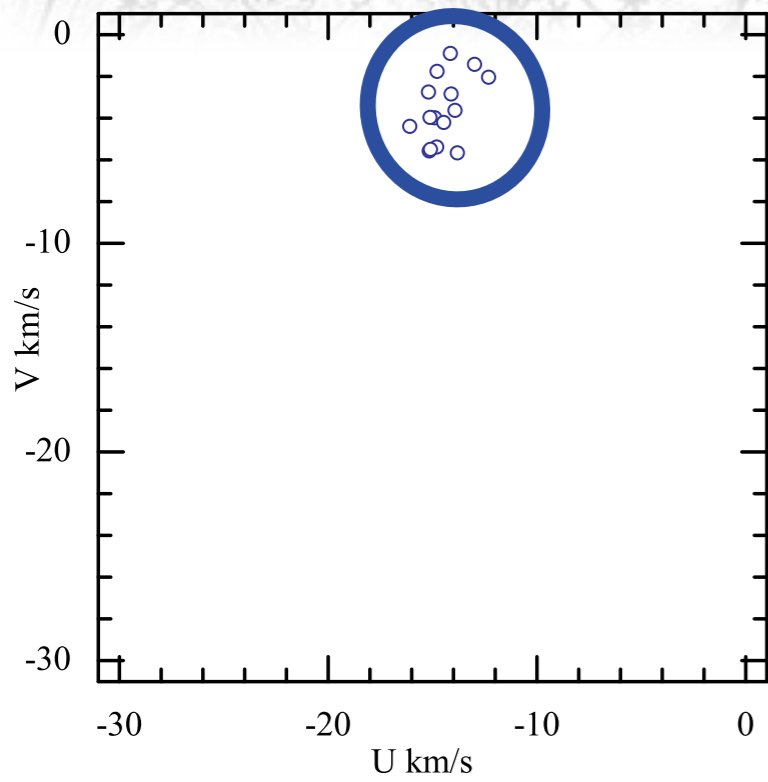




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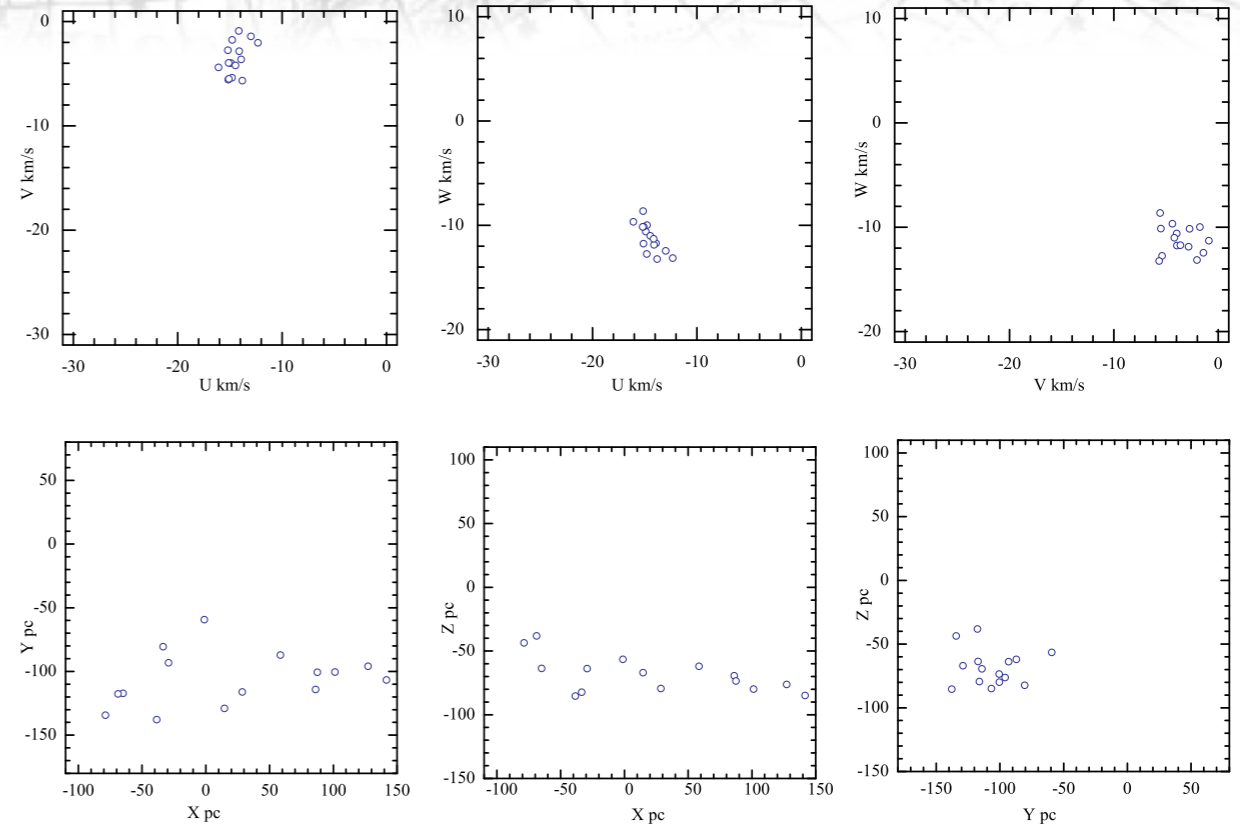
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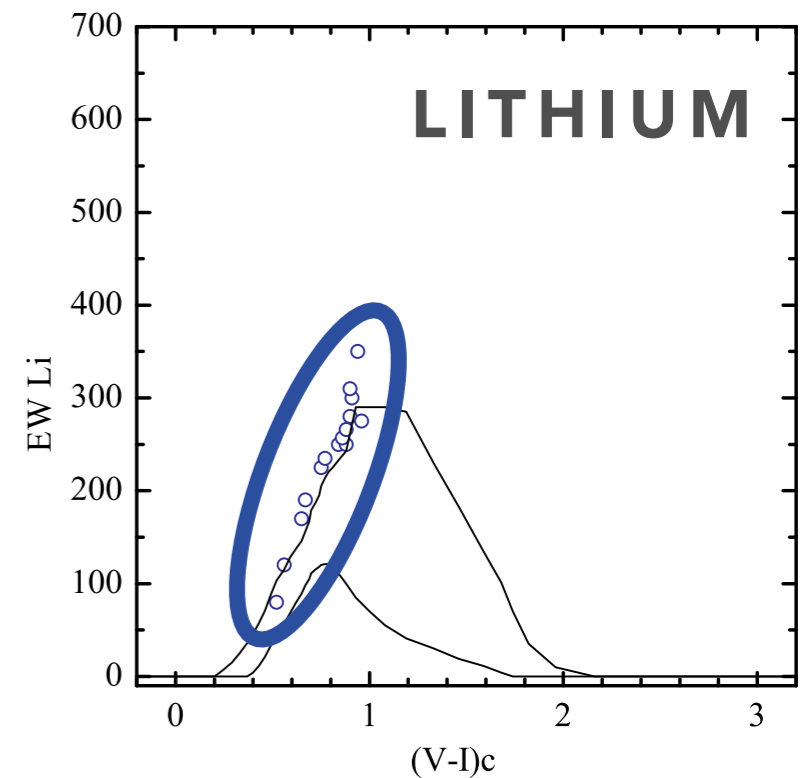
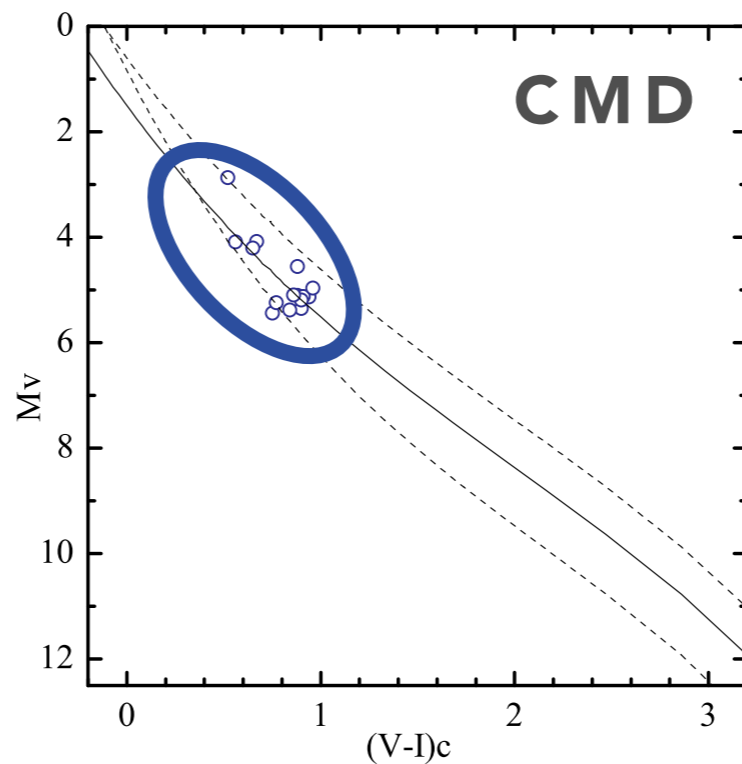
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- 15 FGK stars, none in *Hipparcos*
- Two visual binaries
- **$\langle d \rangle = 141$  pc (kinematic!)**
- $vsini = 20-200$  km/s
- Elongated in X dimension
- **Age 10-20 Myr?**

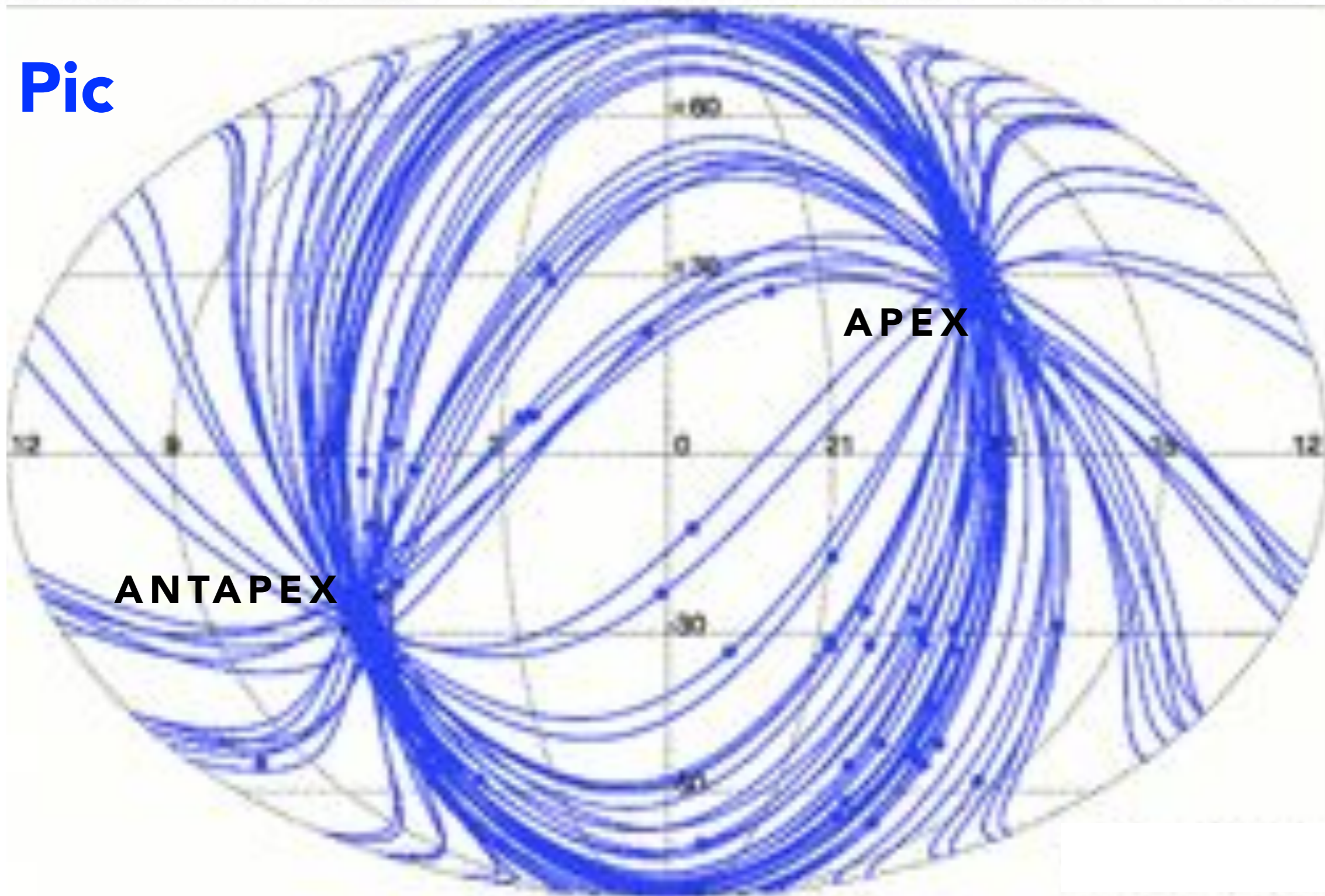


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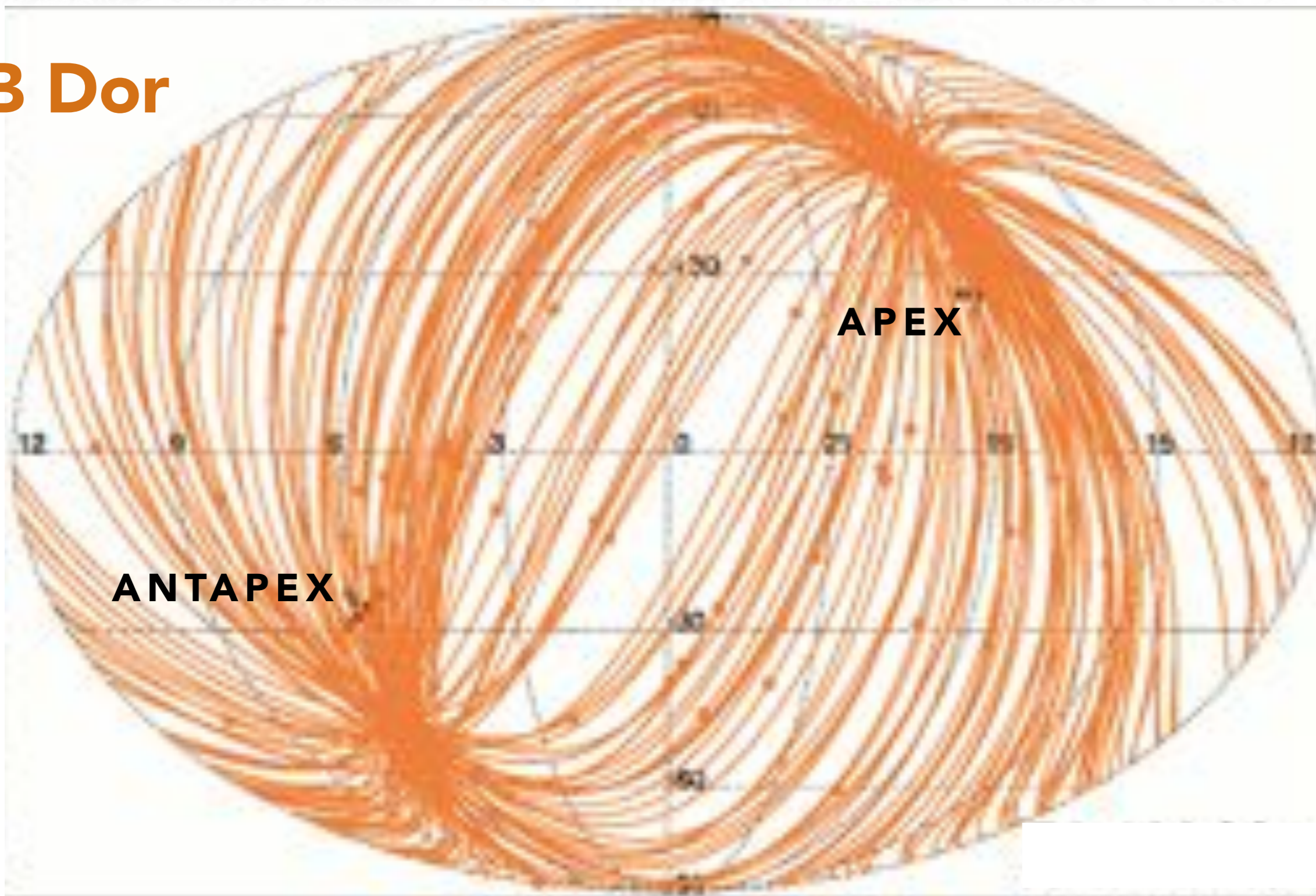
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$\beta$  Pic



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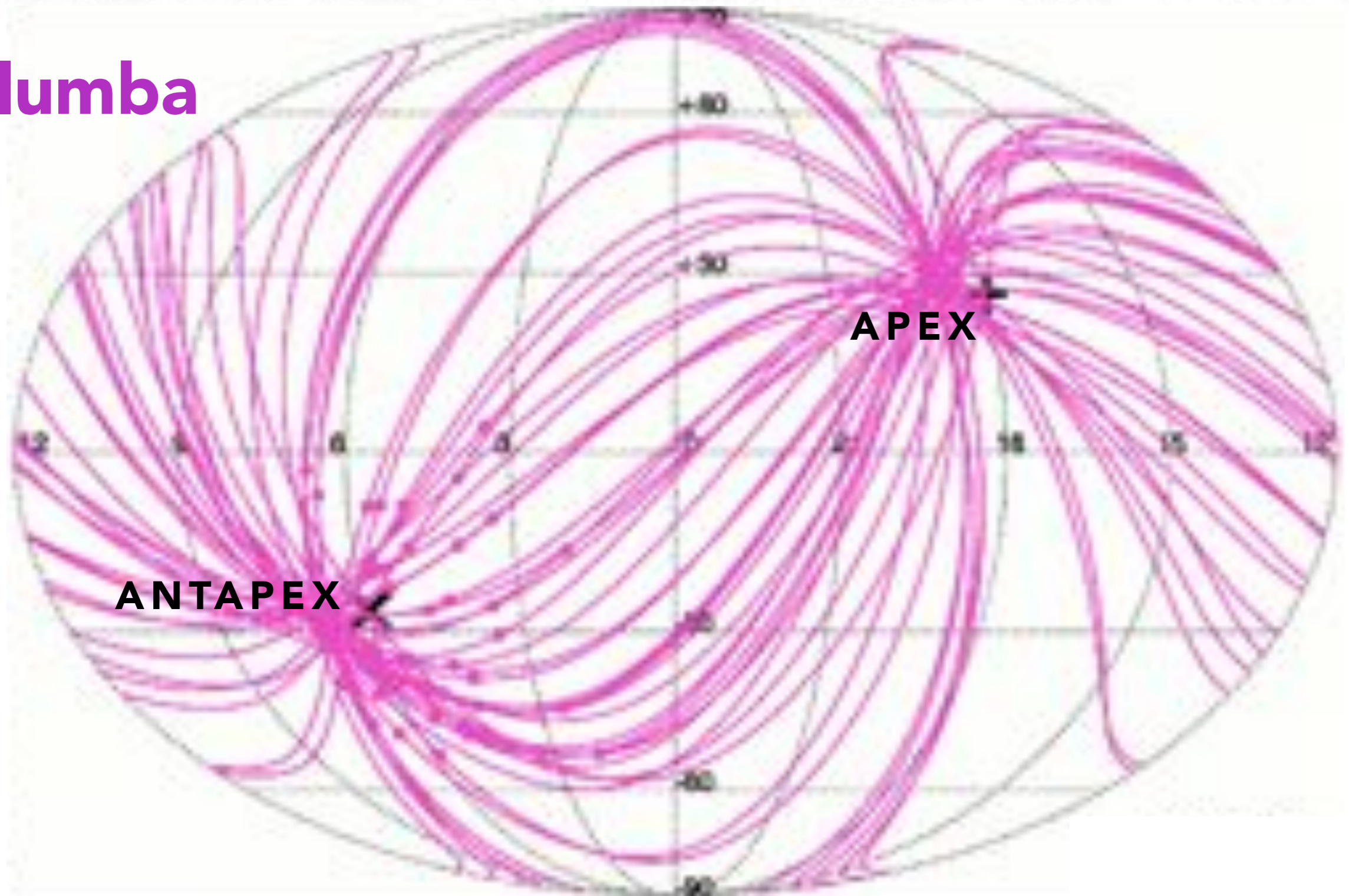
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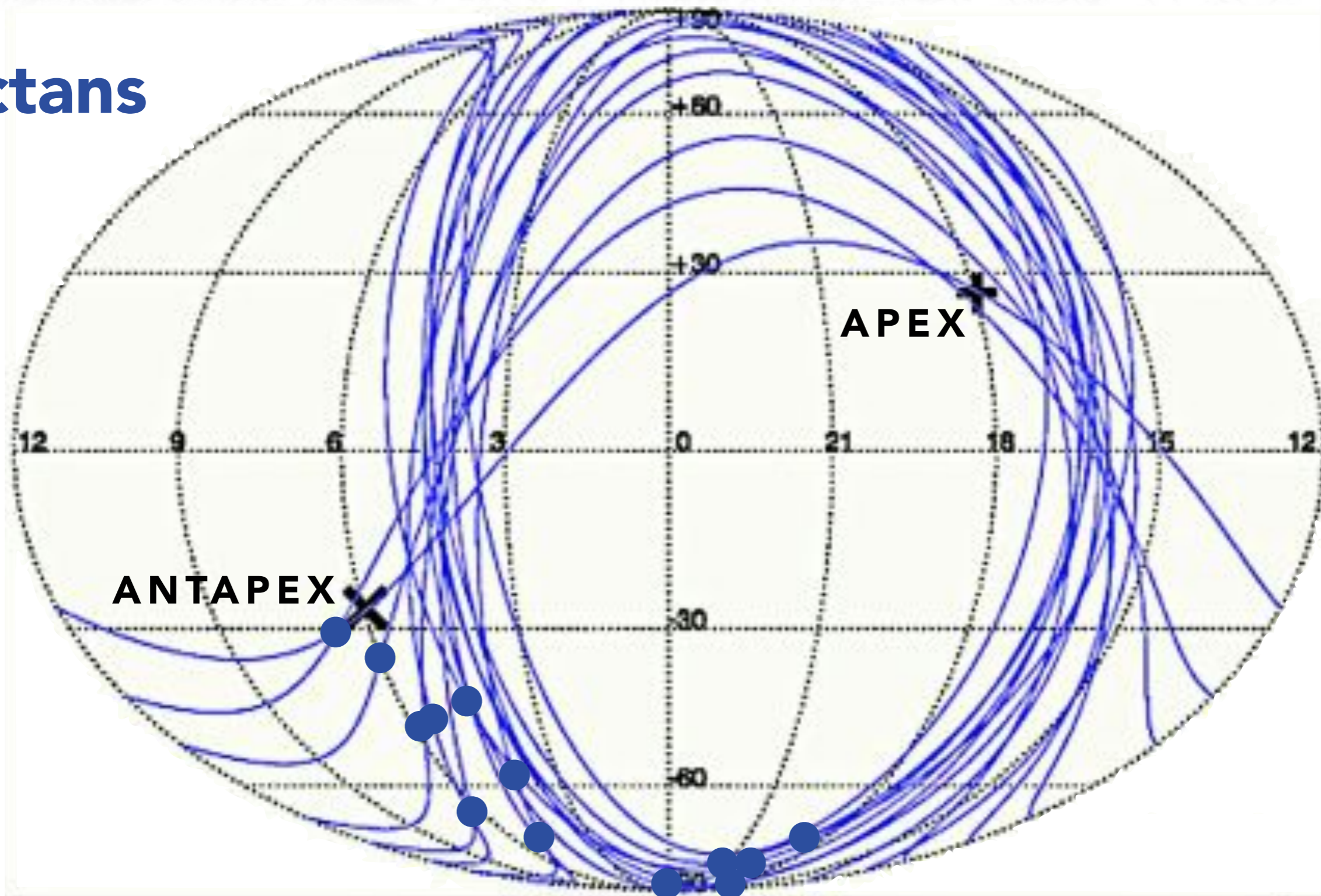
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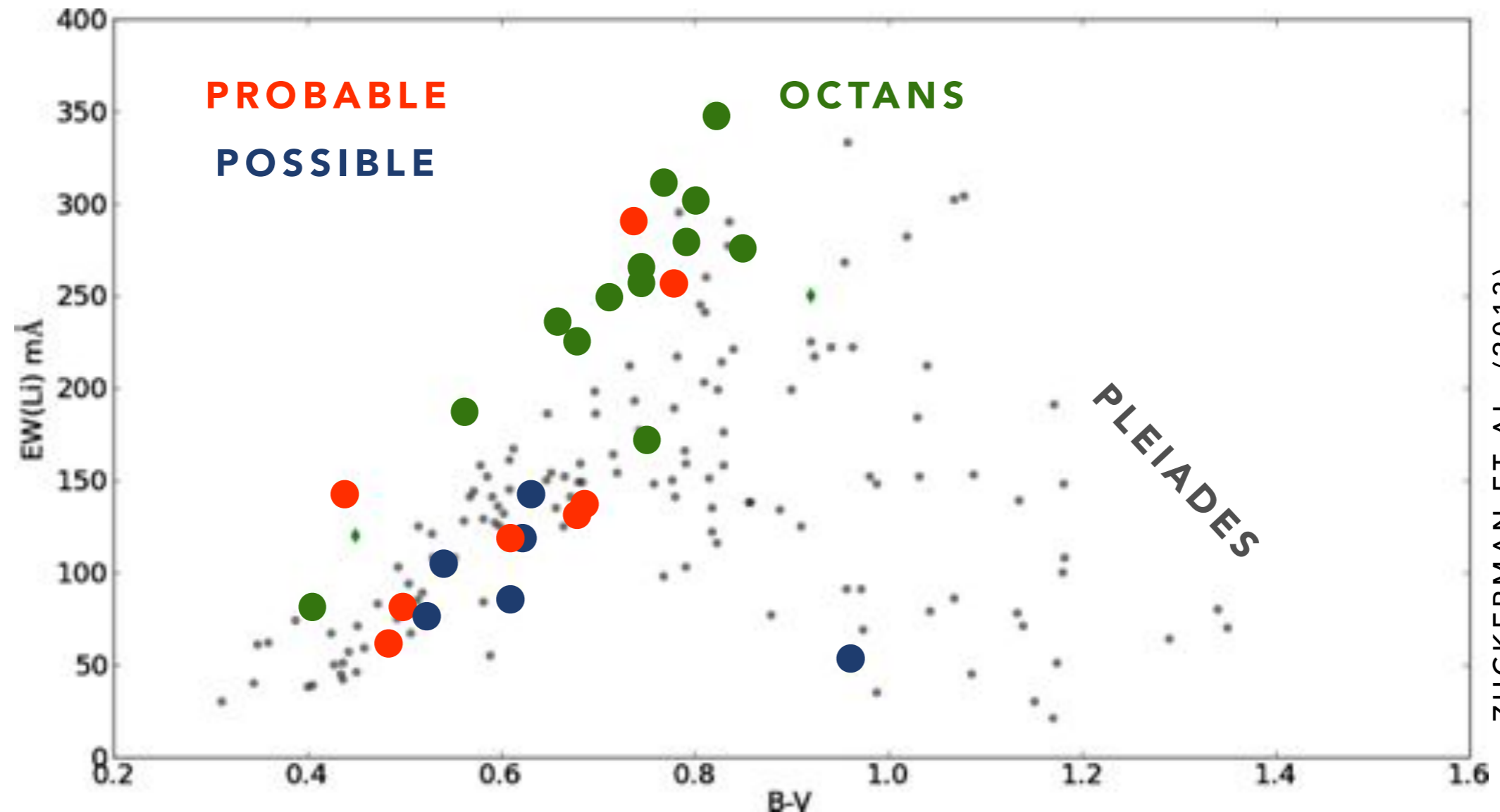
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## Octans



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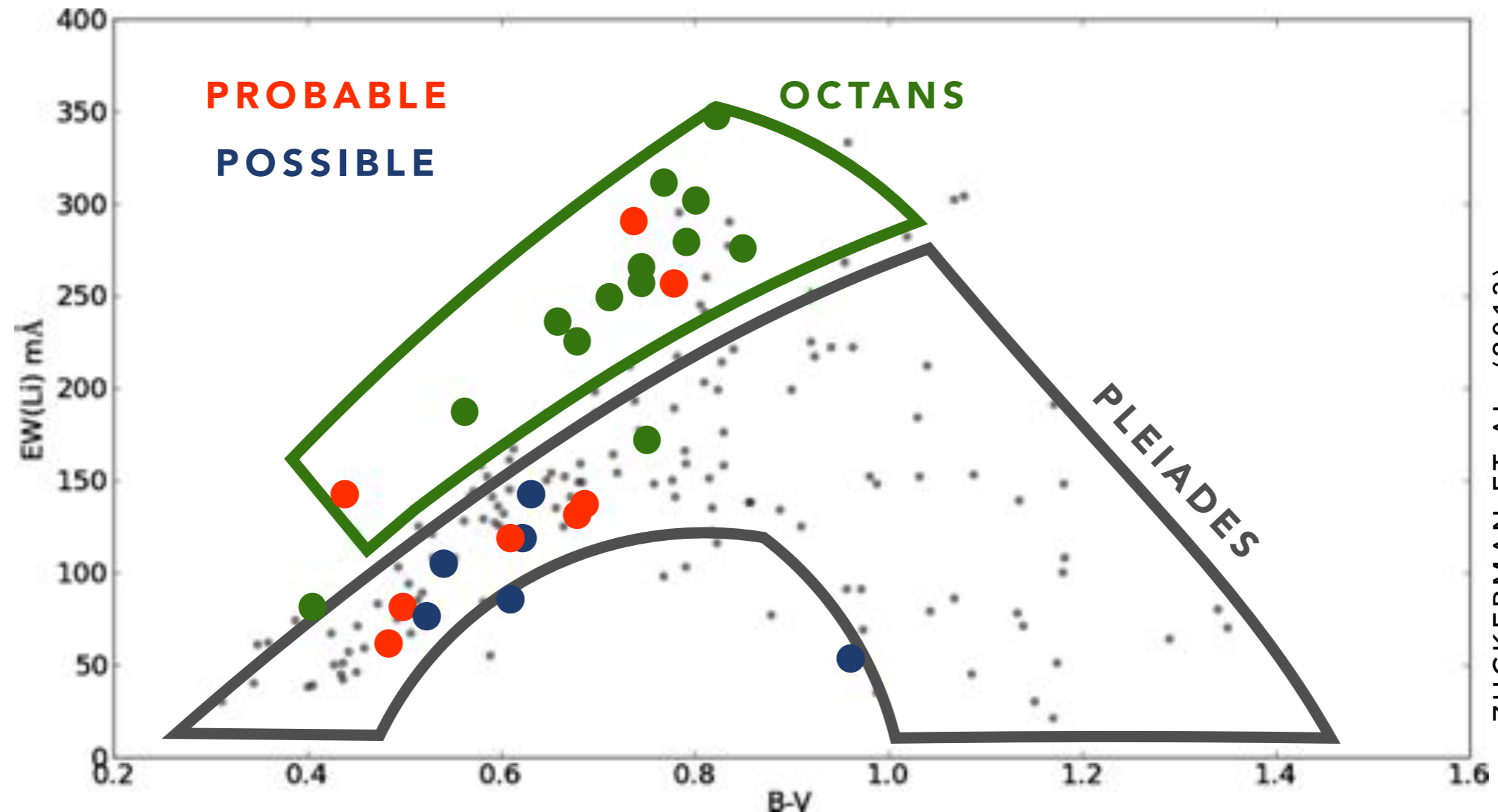
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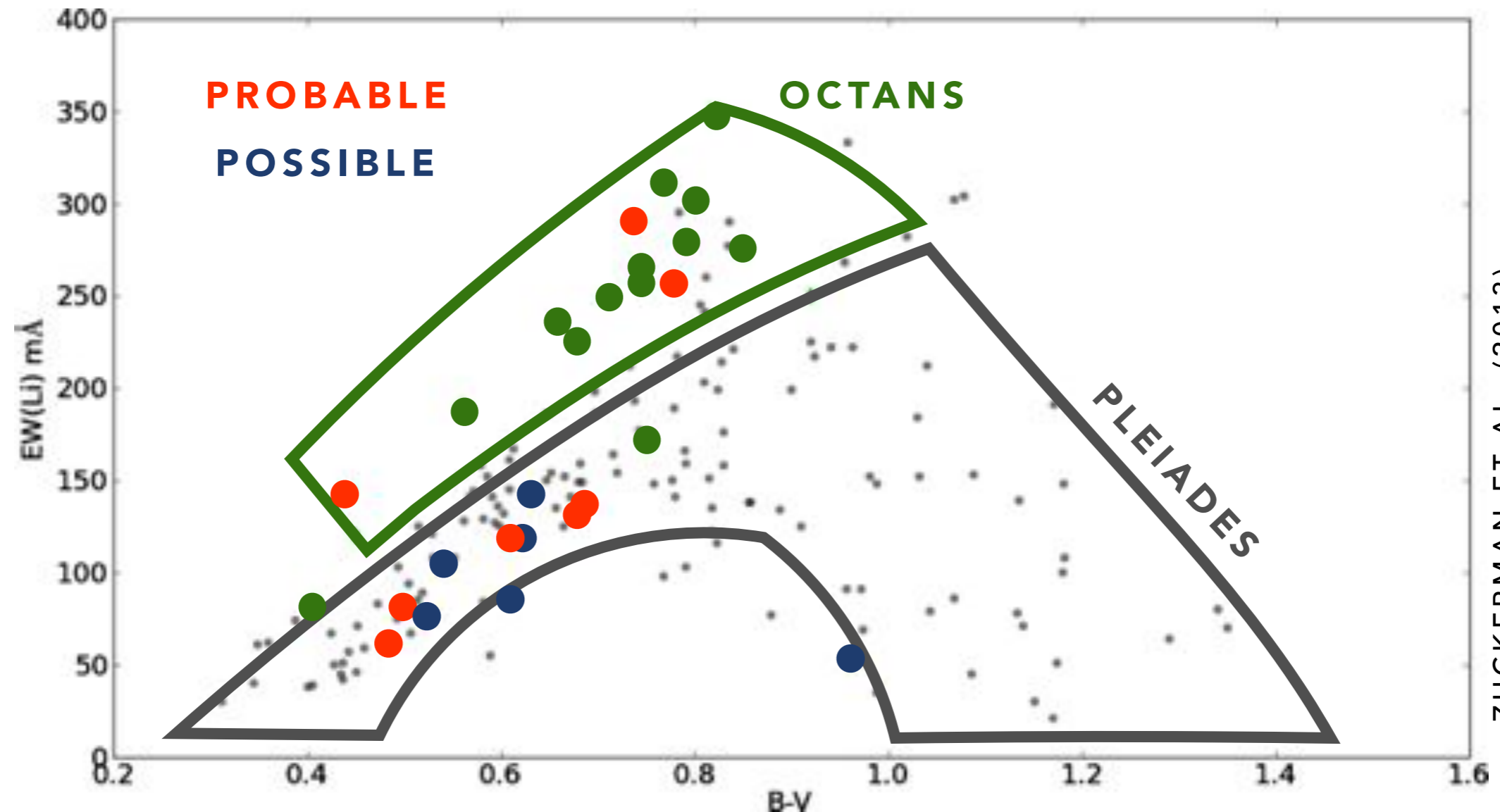
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- **Does NOT appear co-eval**
- Connection to Octans unclear (SF complex, resonance?)



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# THE GOAL

## IS OCTANS REAL AND WHAT IS ITS AGE?

- Expand membership to lower masses
- Break age/distance degeneracy using independent lithium depletion ages
  - ▶ Unlike solar type members, late K and M-type stars should lose their lithium in 10-100 Myr
- Expand membership spatially?

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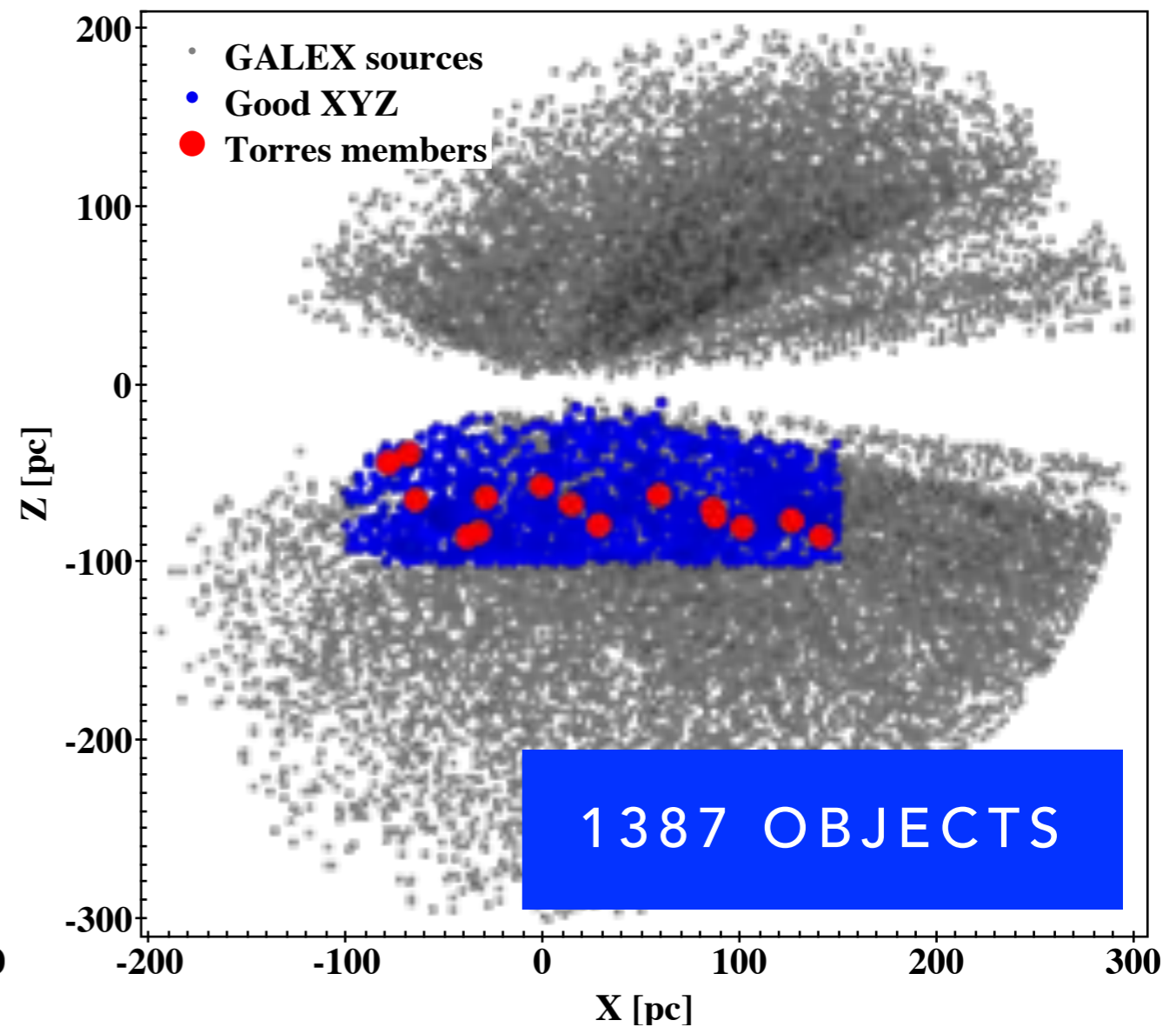
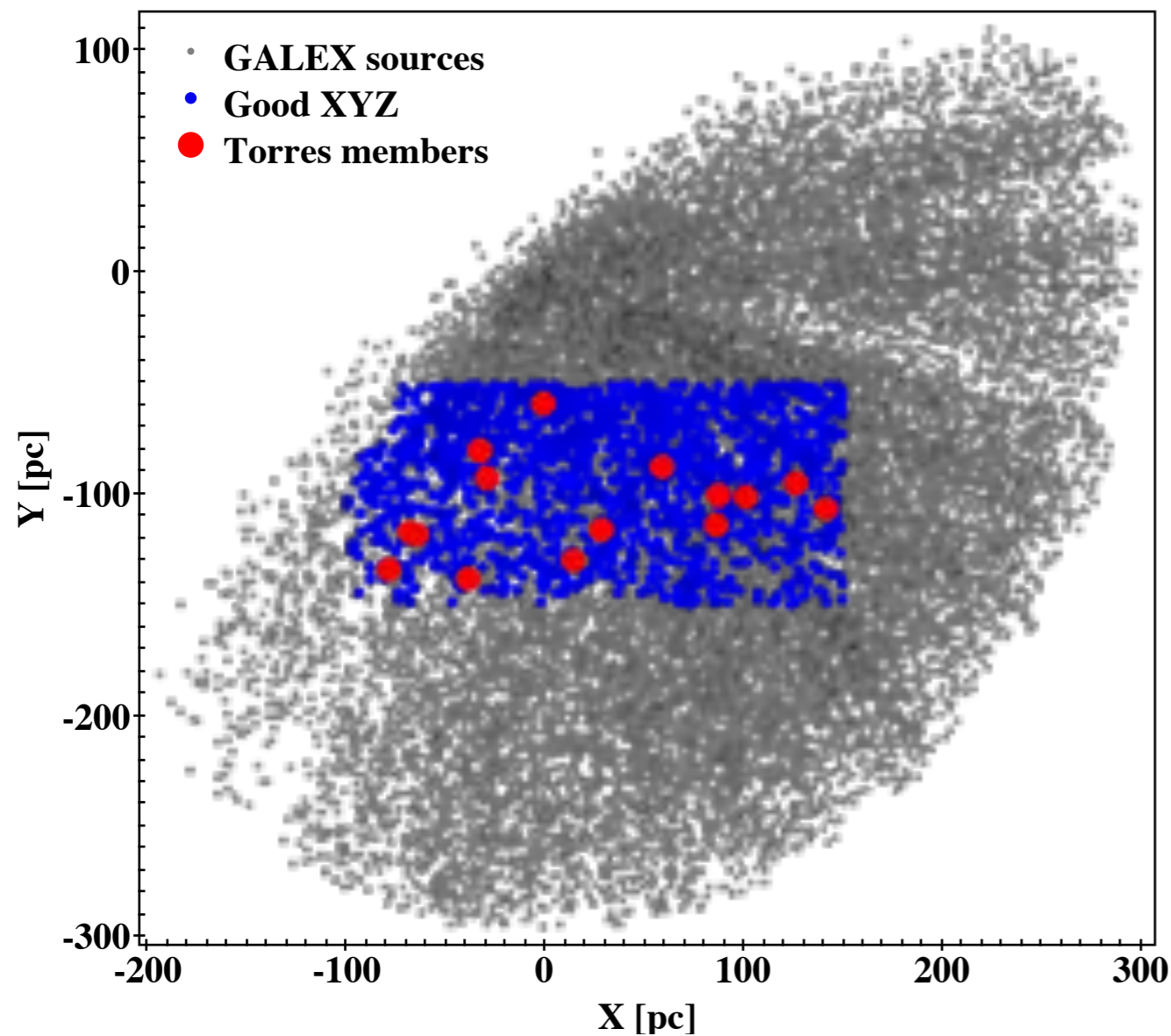
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(avoids Galactic plane) 25K OBJECTS



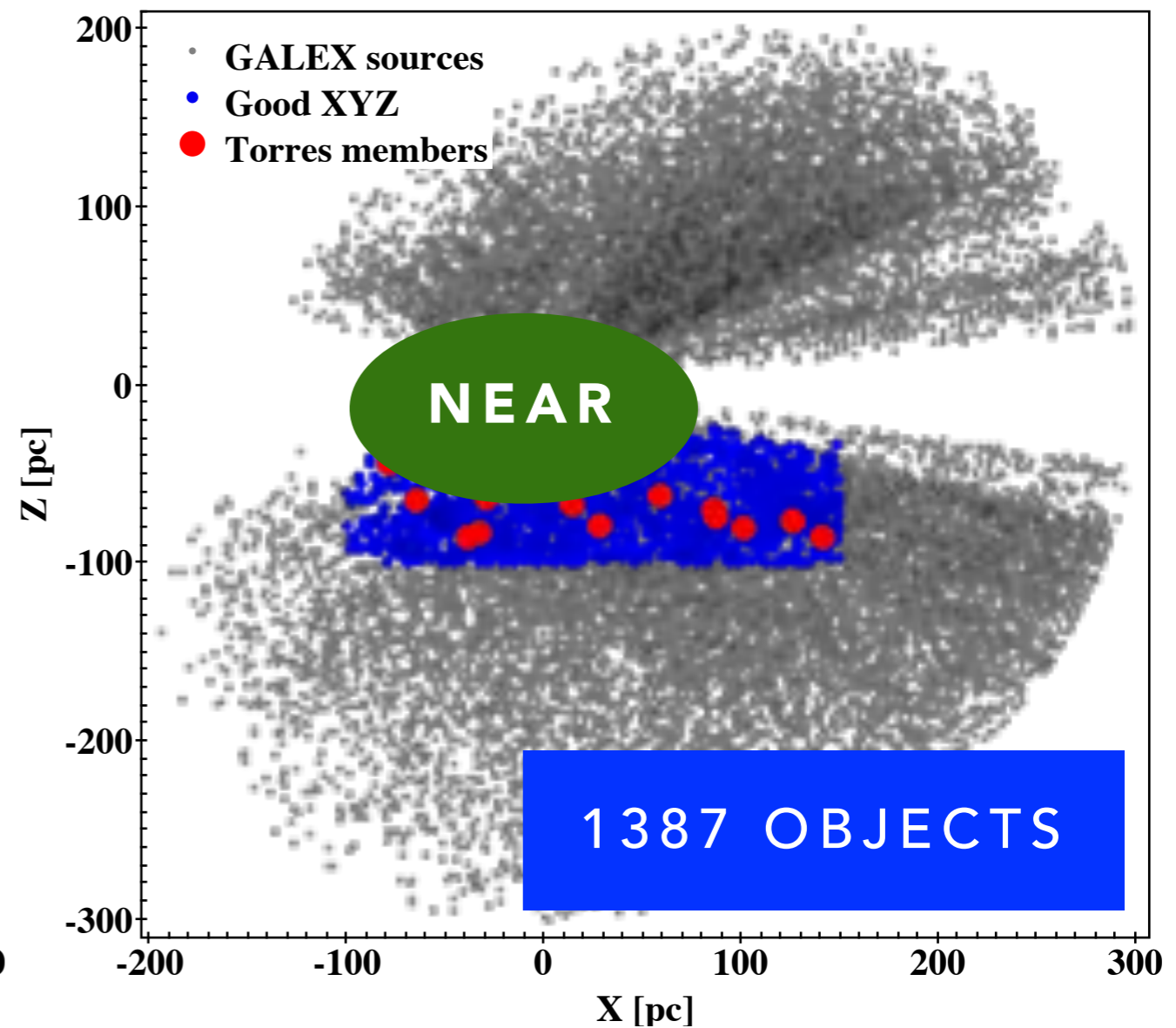
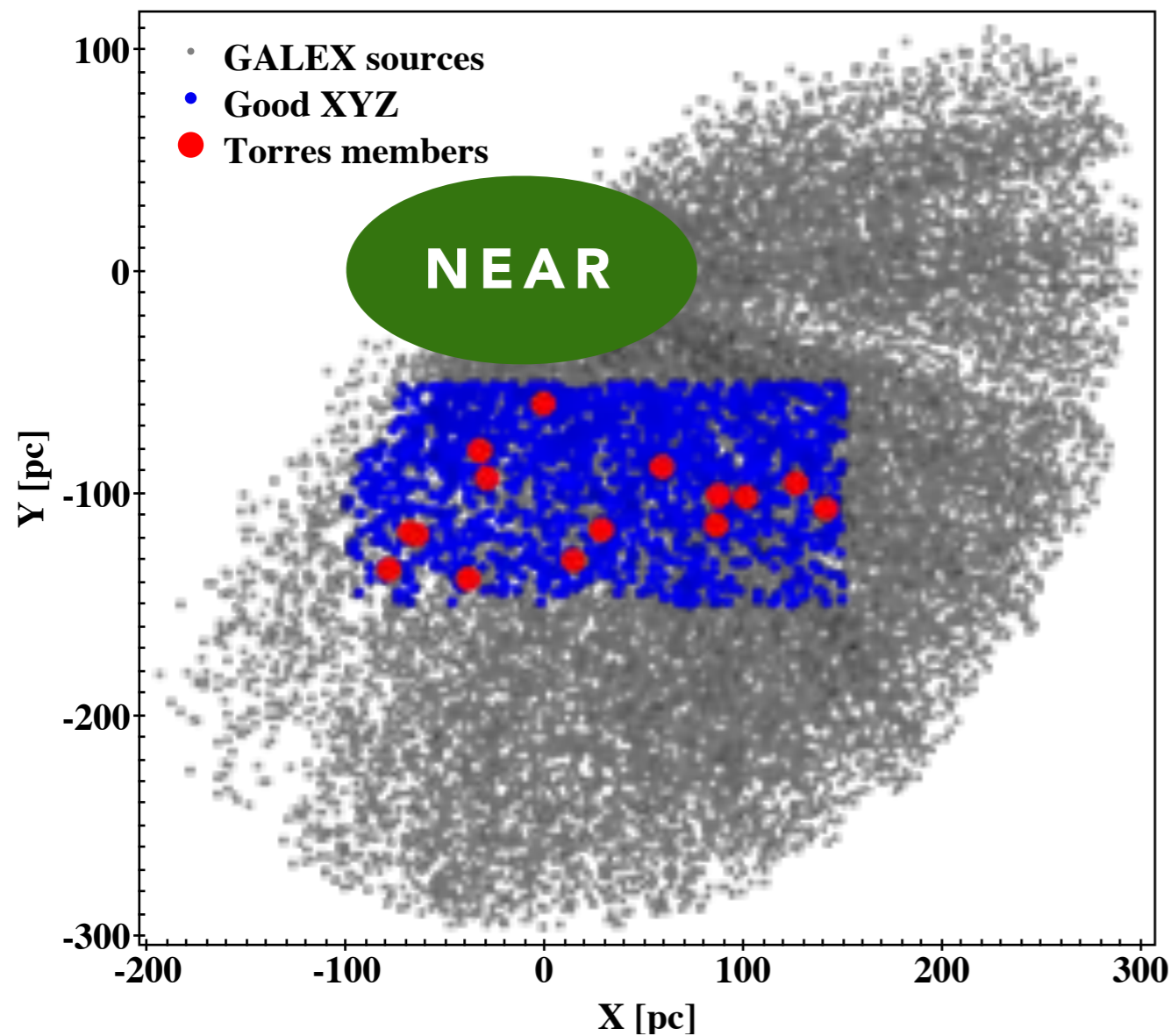
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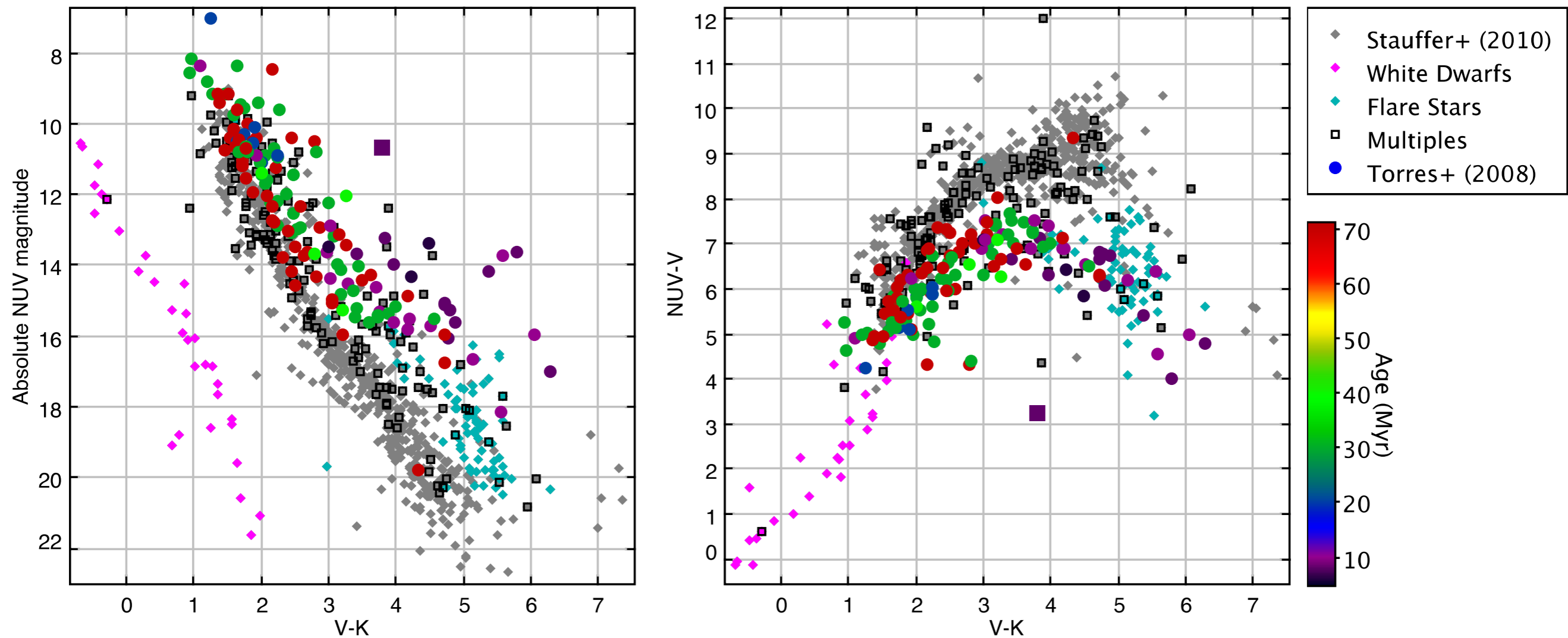
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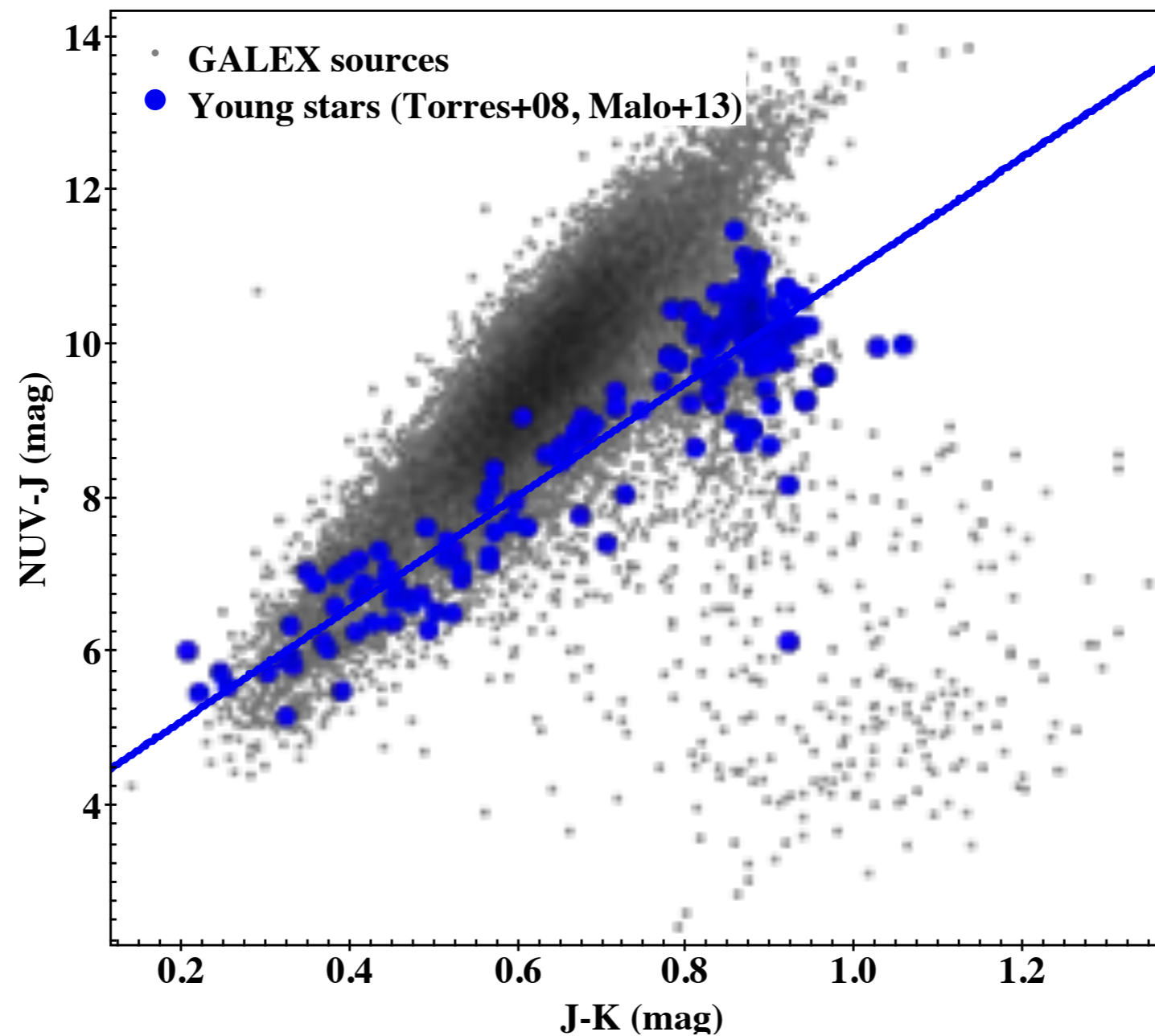
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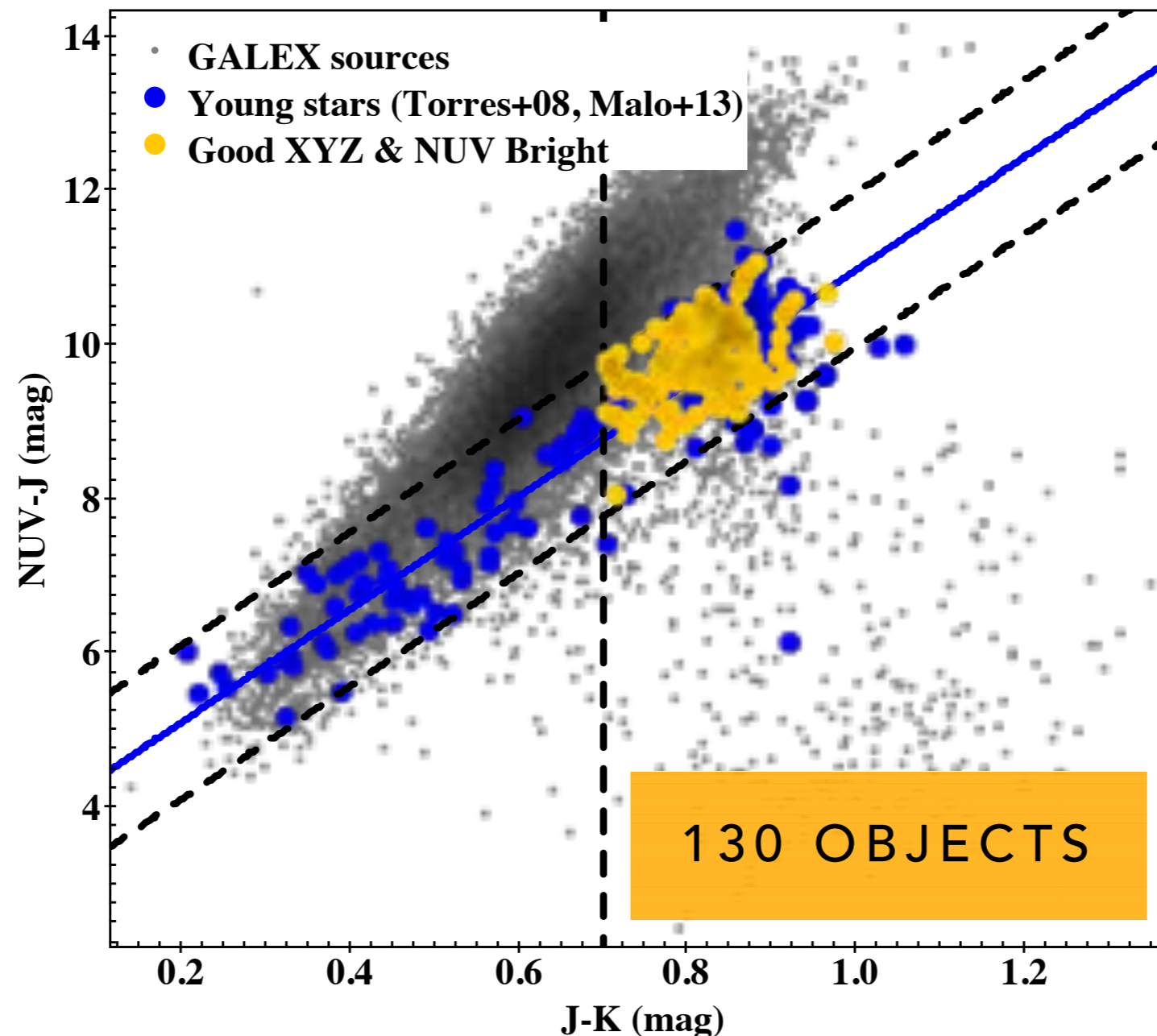
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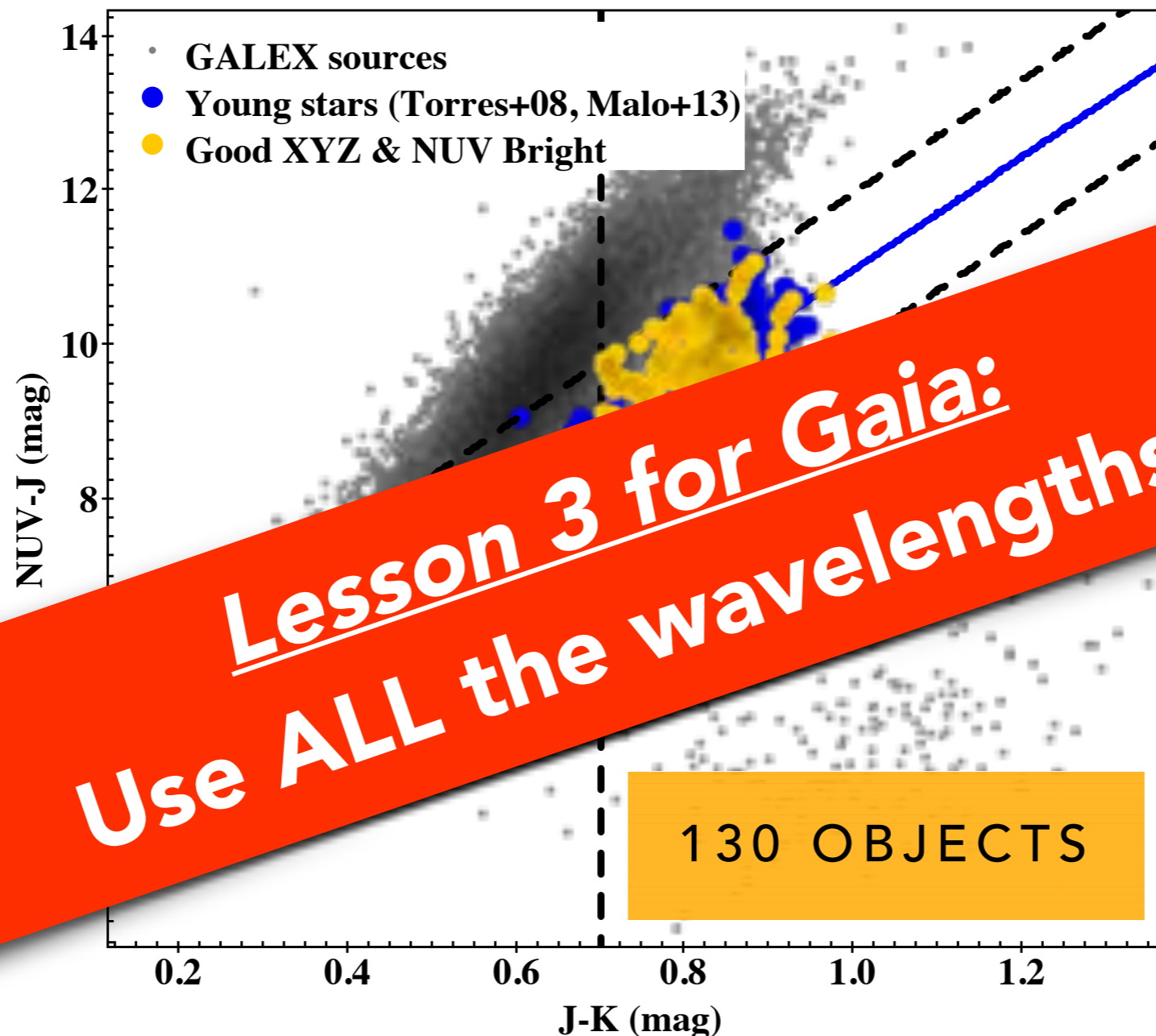
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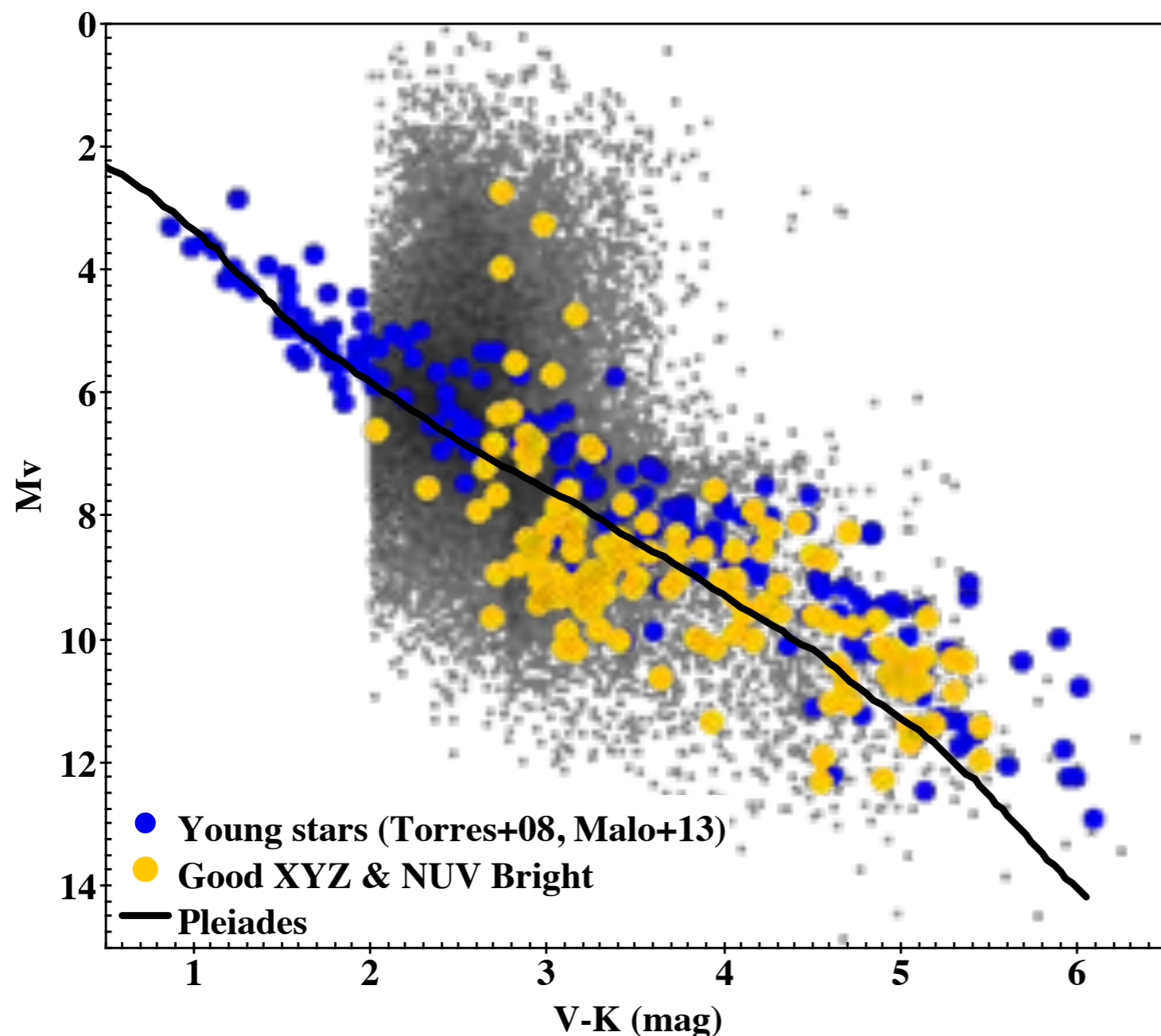


**Lesson 3 for Gaia:  
Use ALL the wavelengths!**



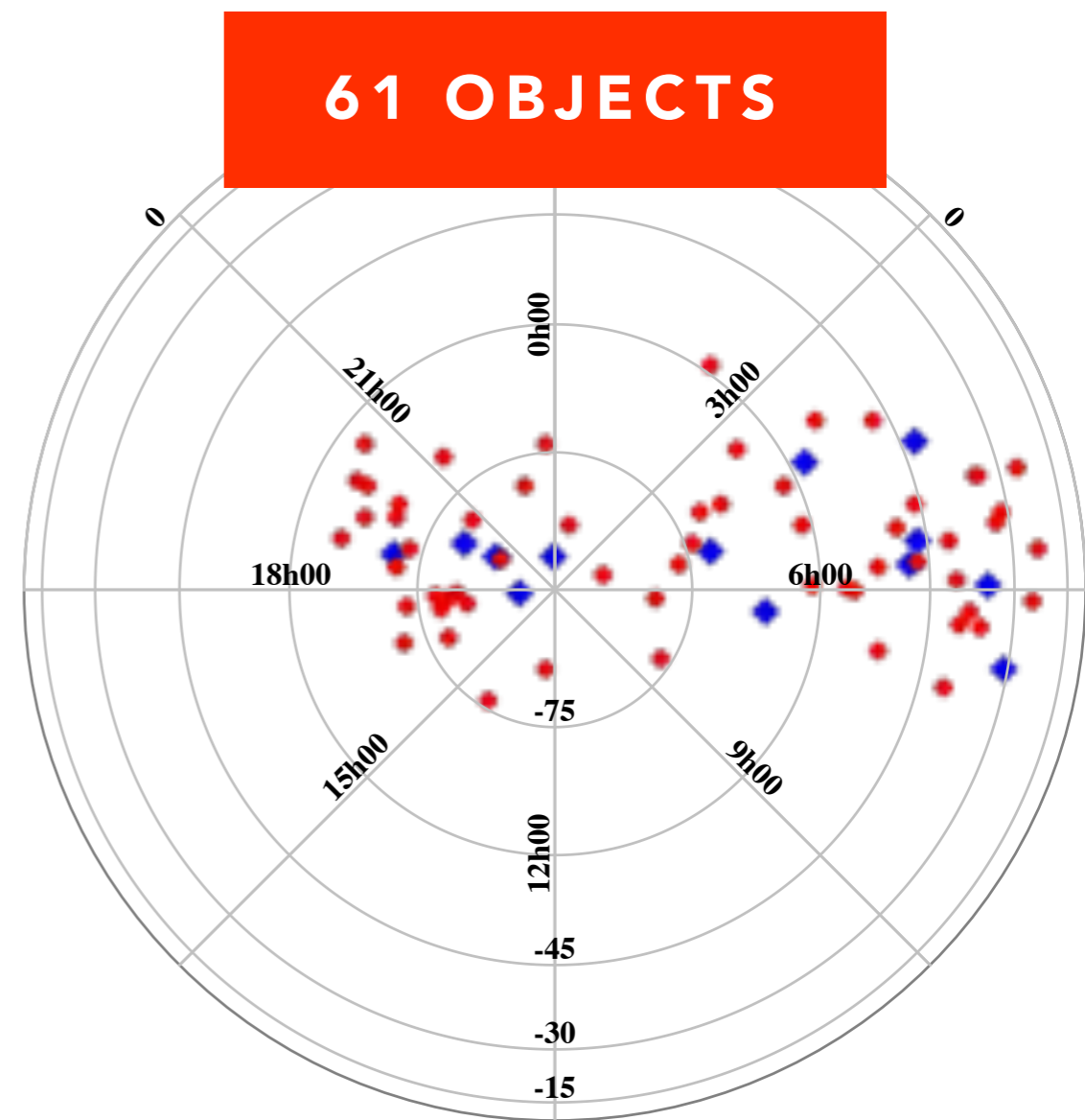
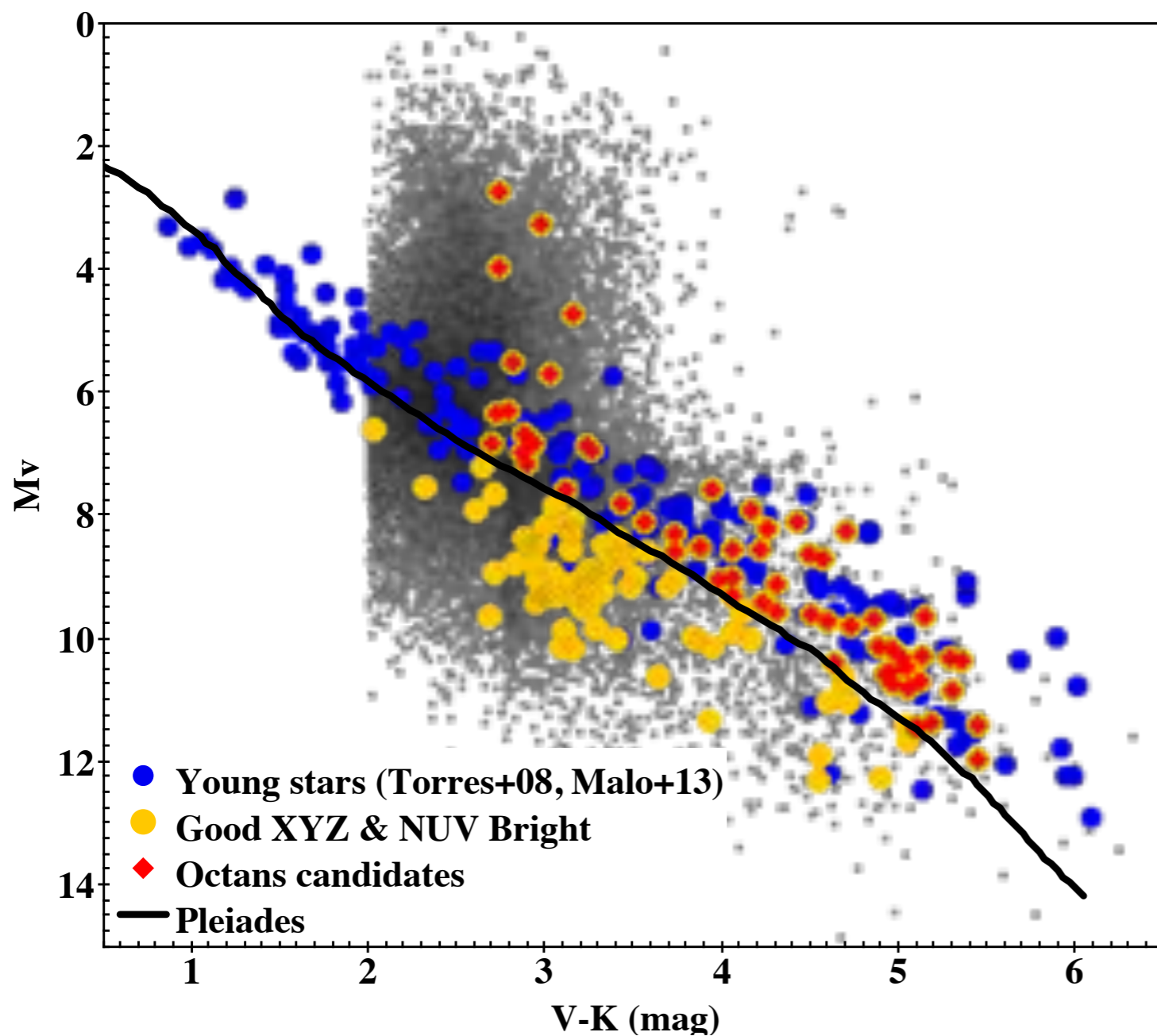
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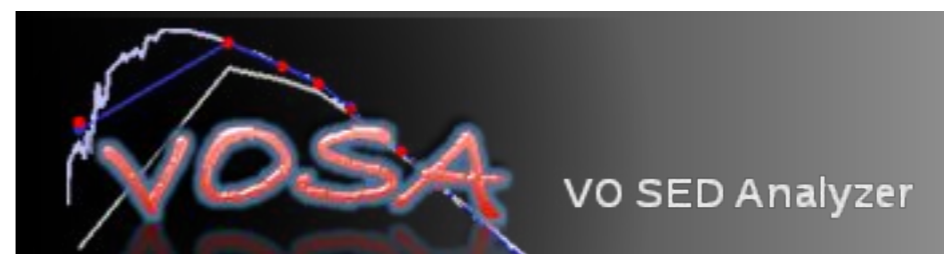
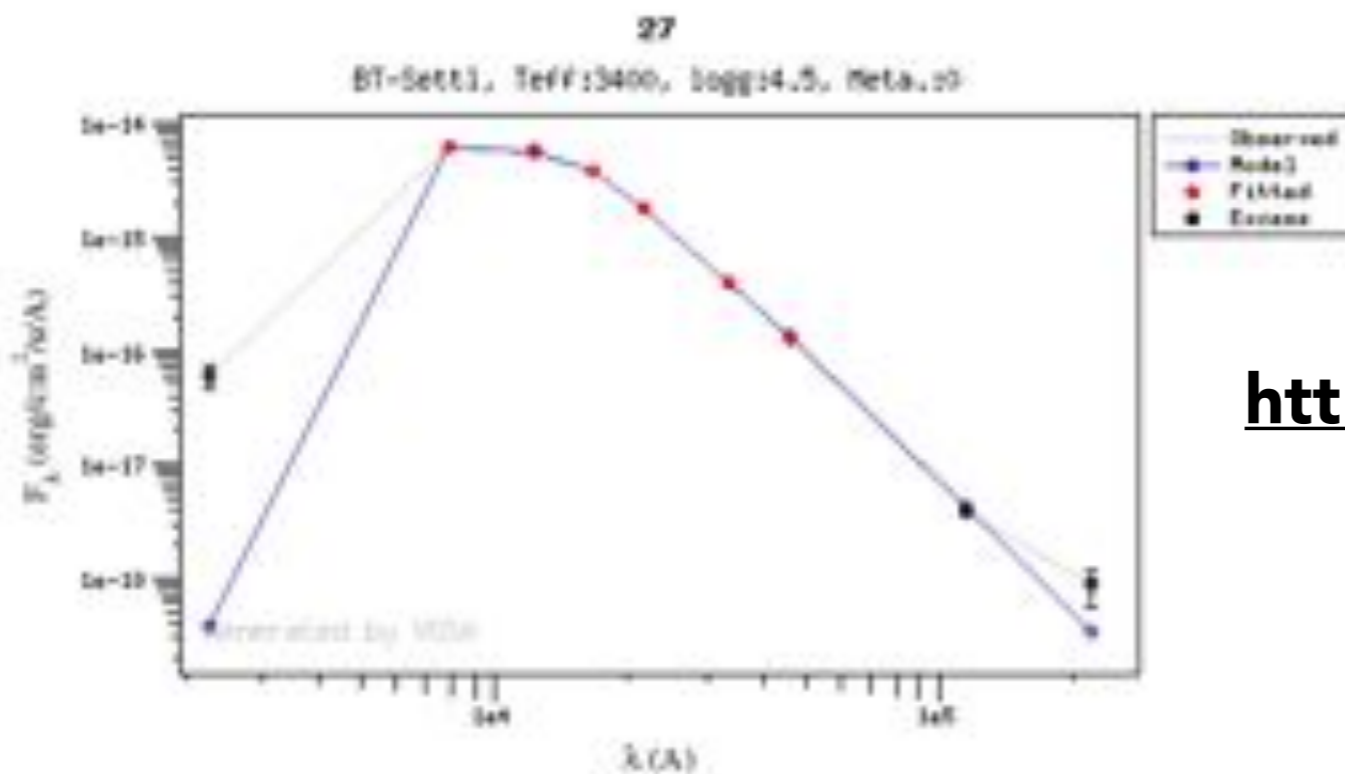
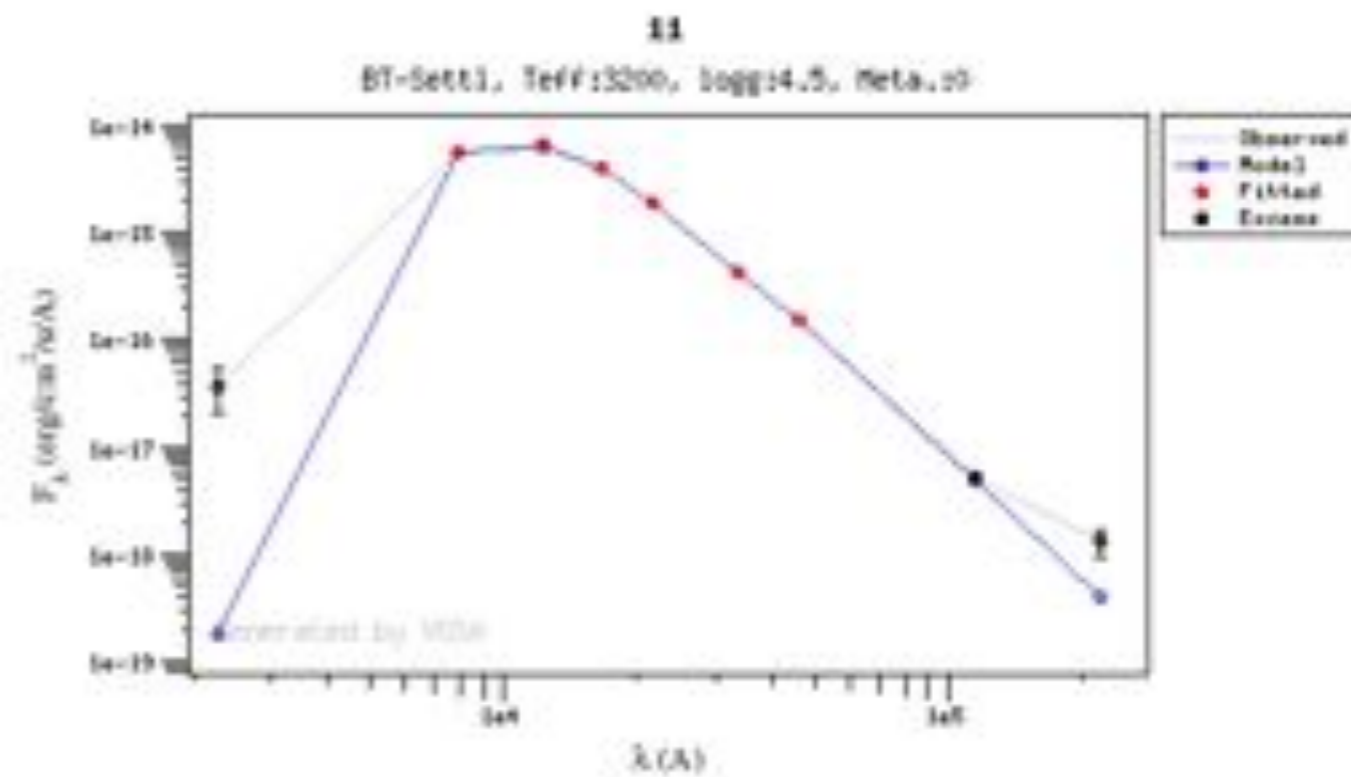
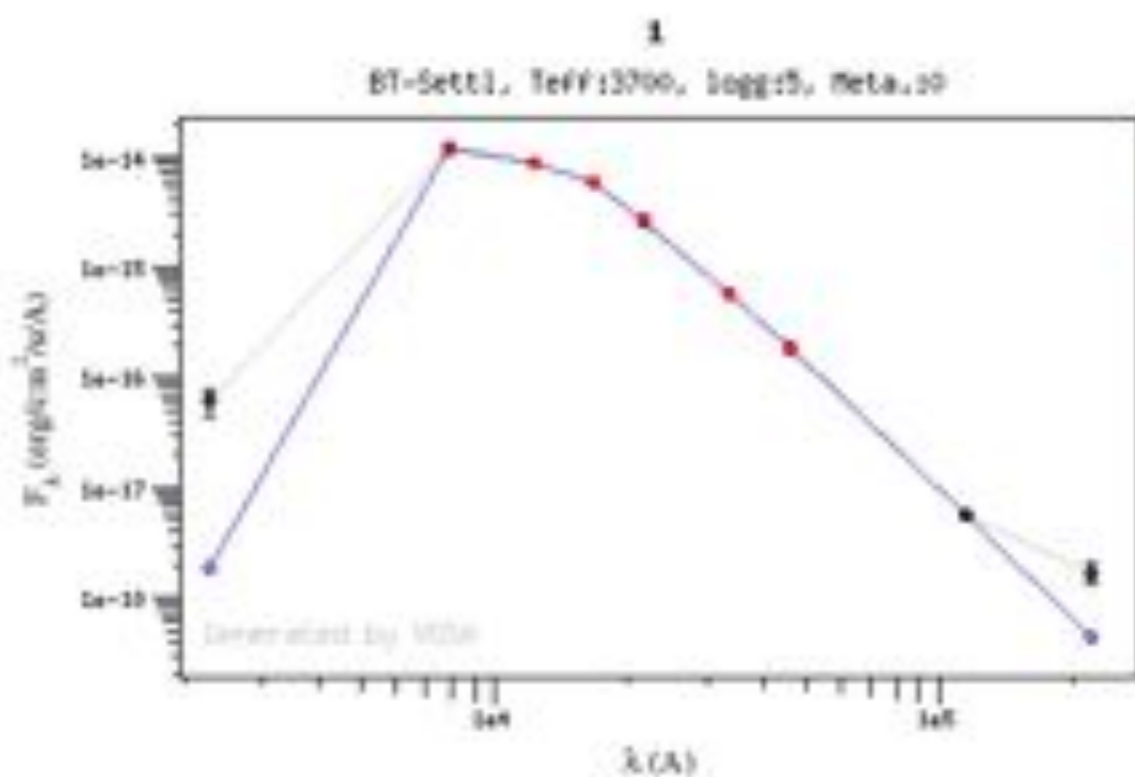
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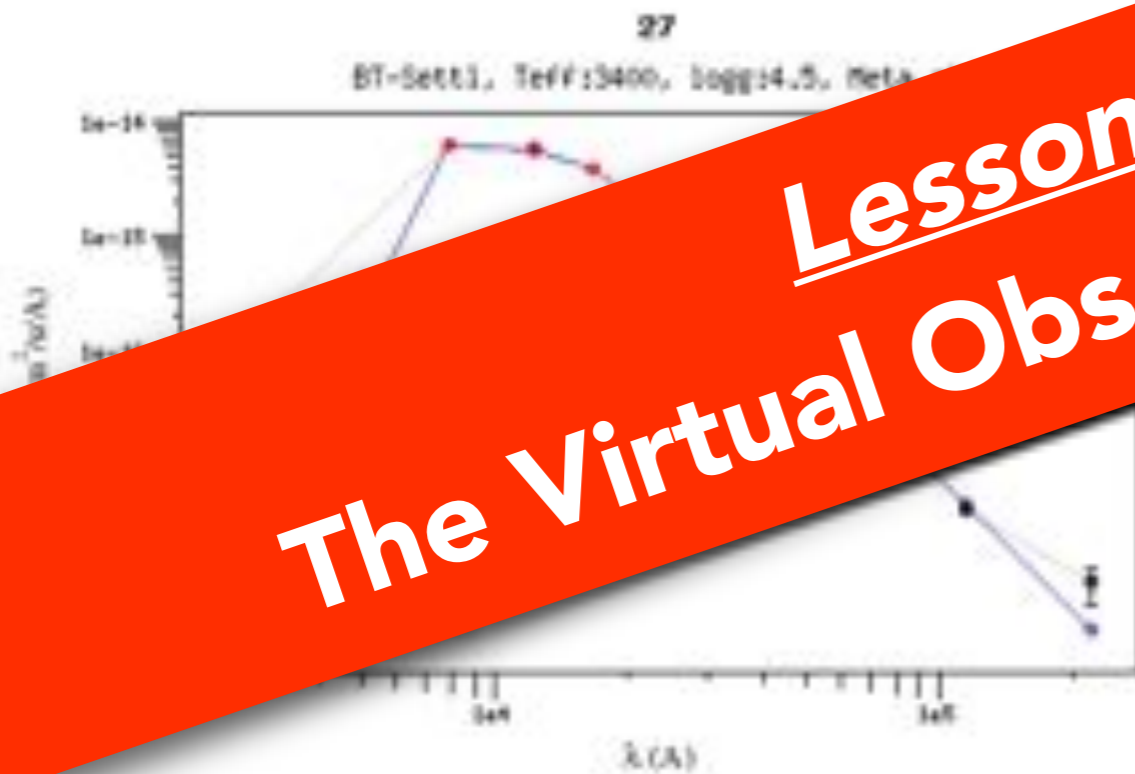
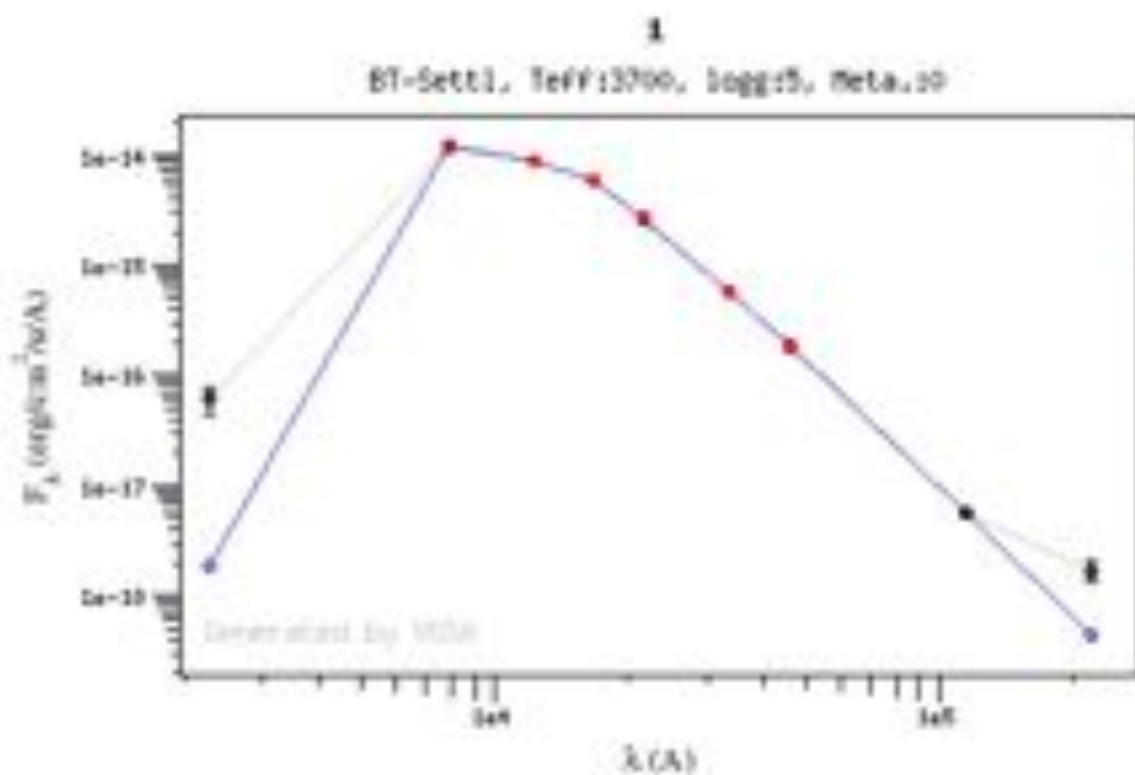


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**Lesson 4 for Gaia:**  
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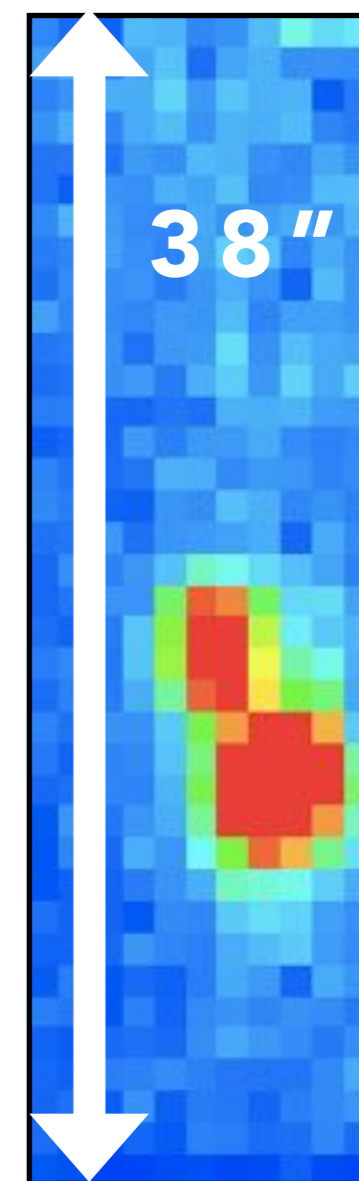
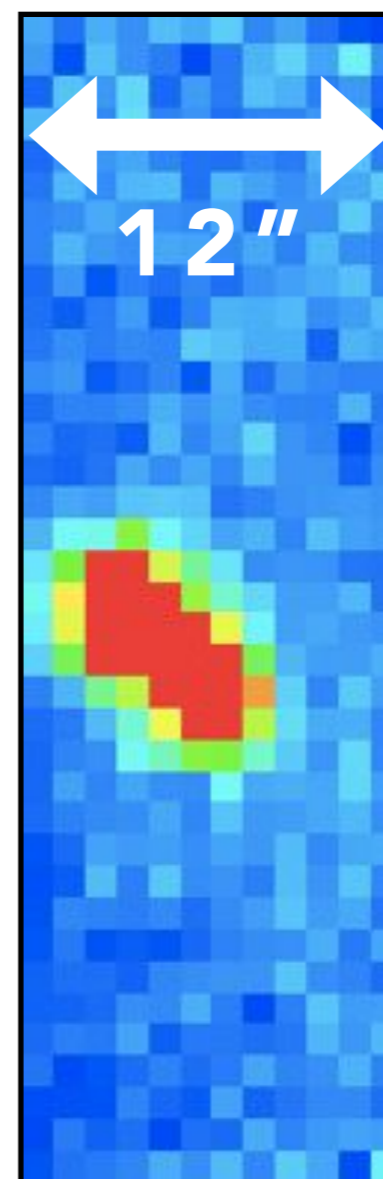
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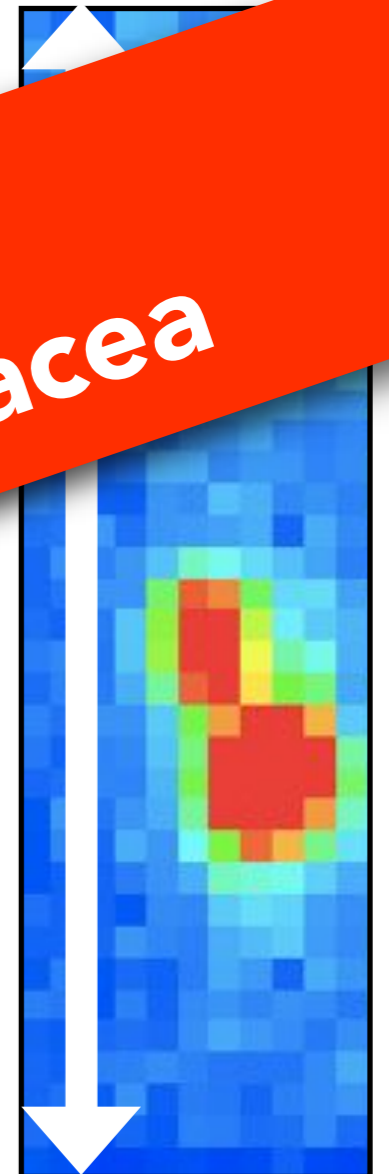
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- 34 targets in 2014 Jan, another run in May



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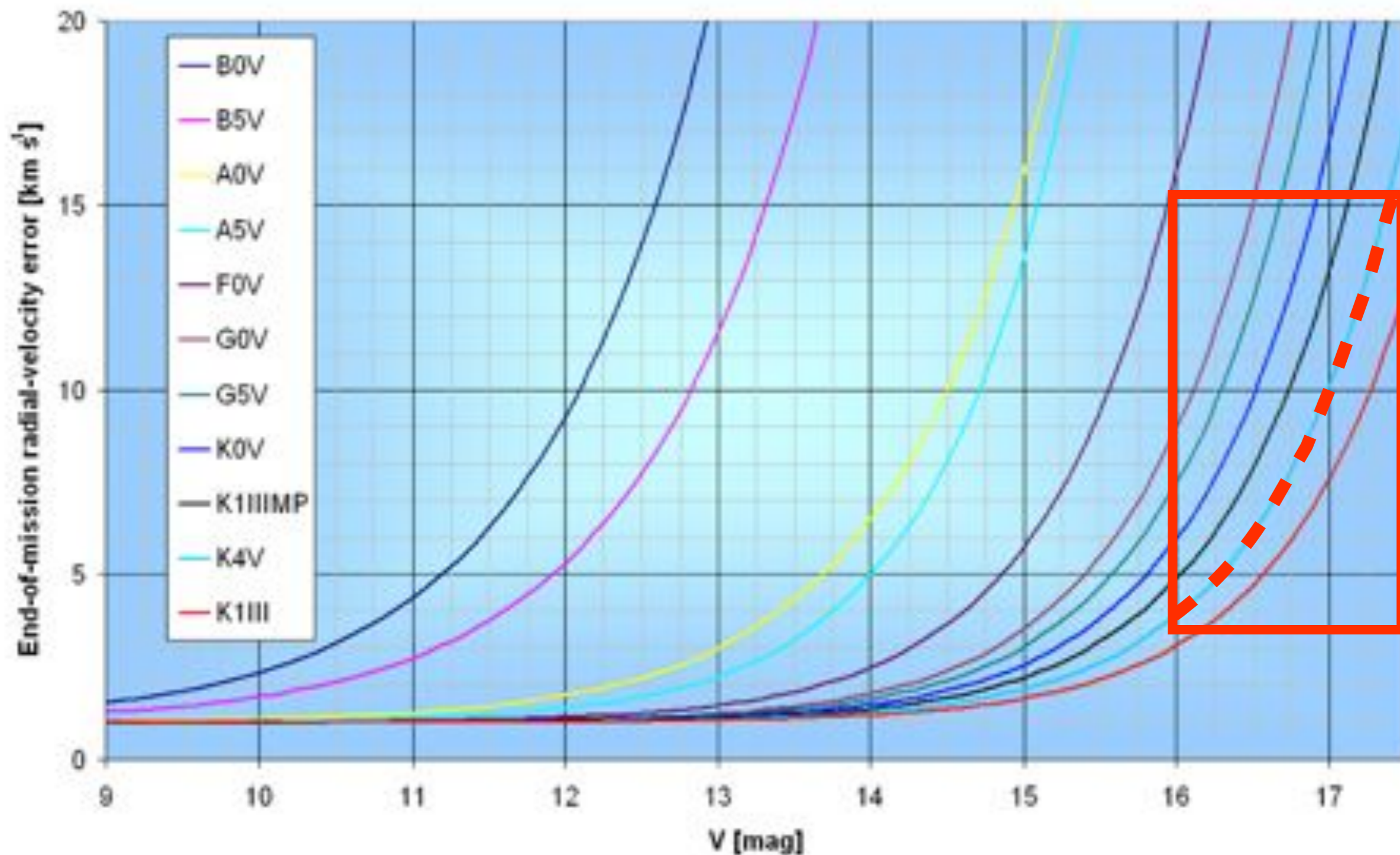
**Lesson 5 for Gaia:**  
**Hard medicine: Gaia is not a panacea**

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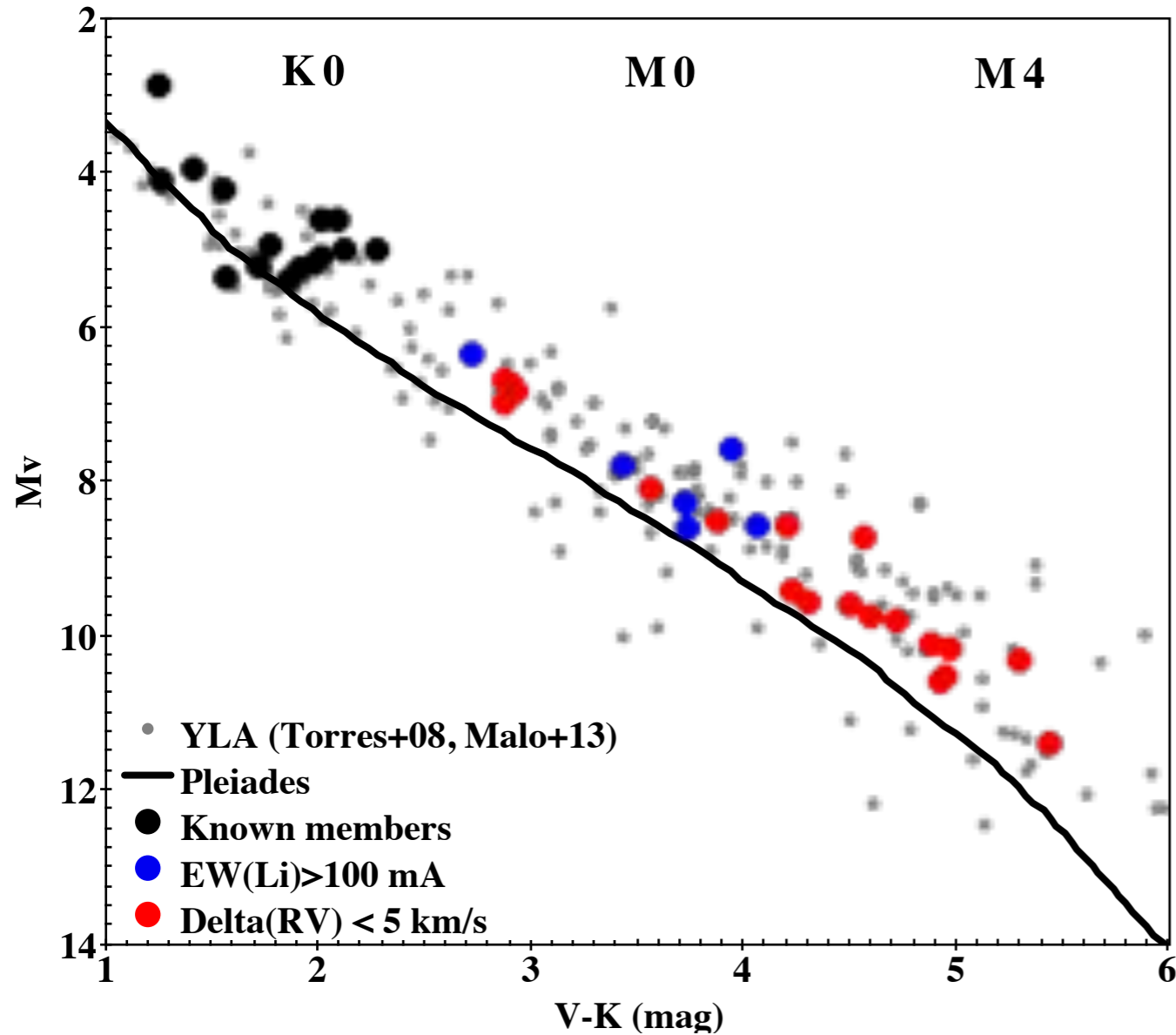
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GAIA SKY AVERAGED END OF MISSION PERFORMANCE

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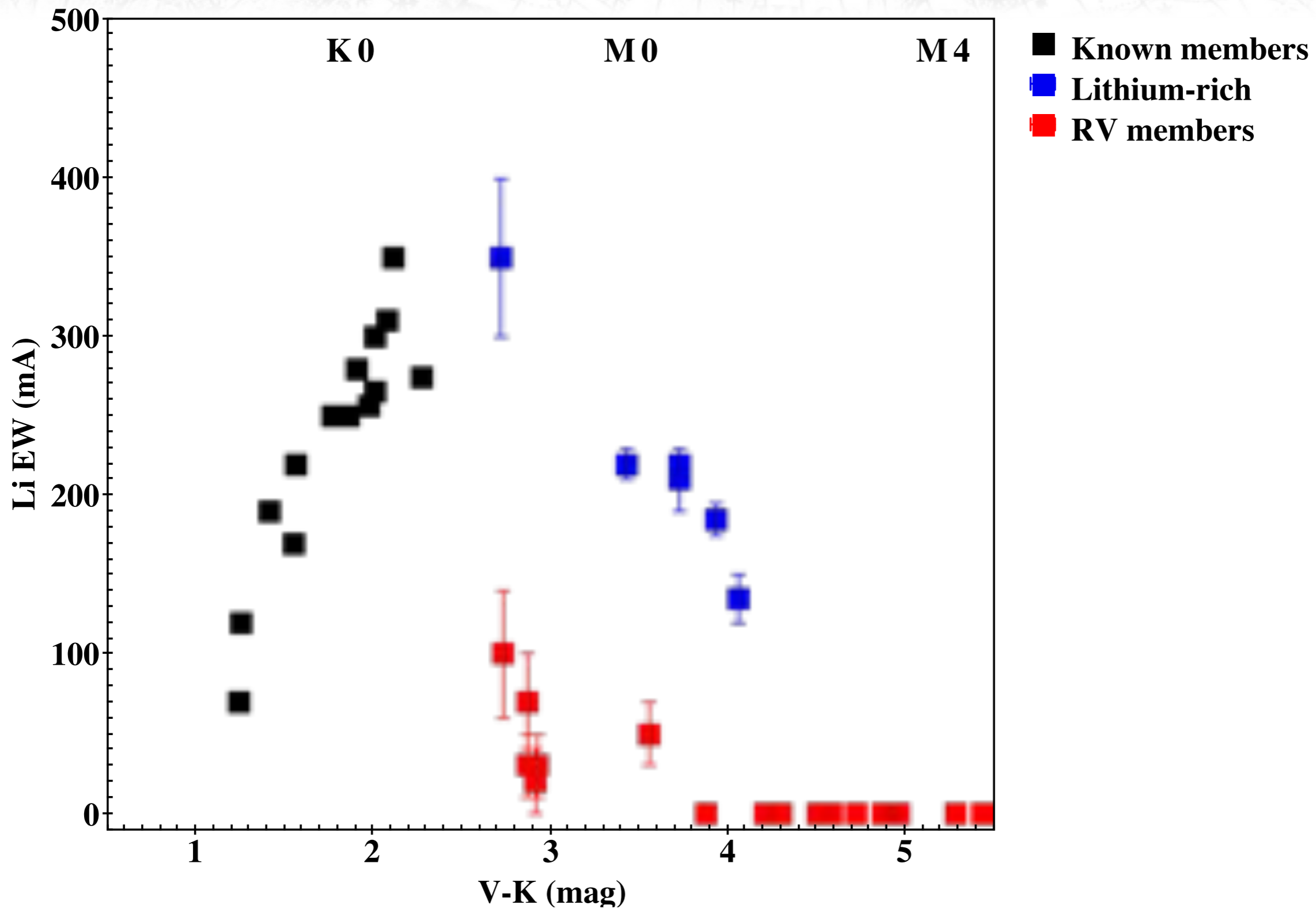


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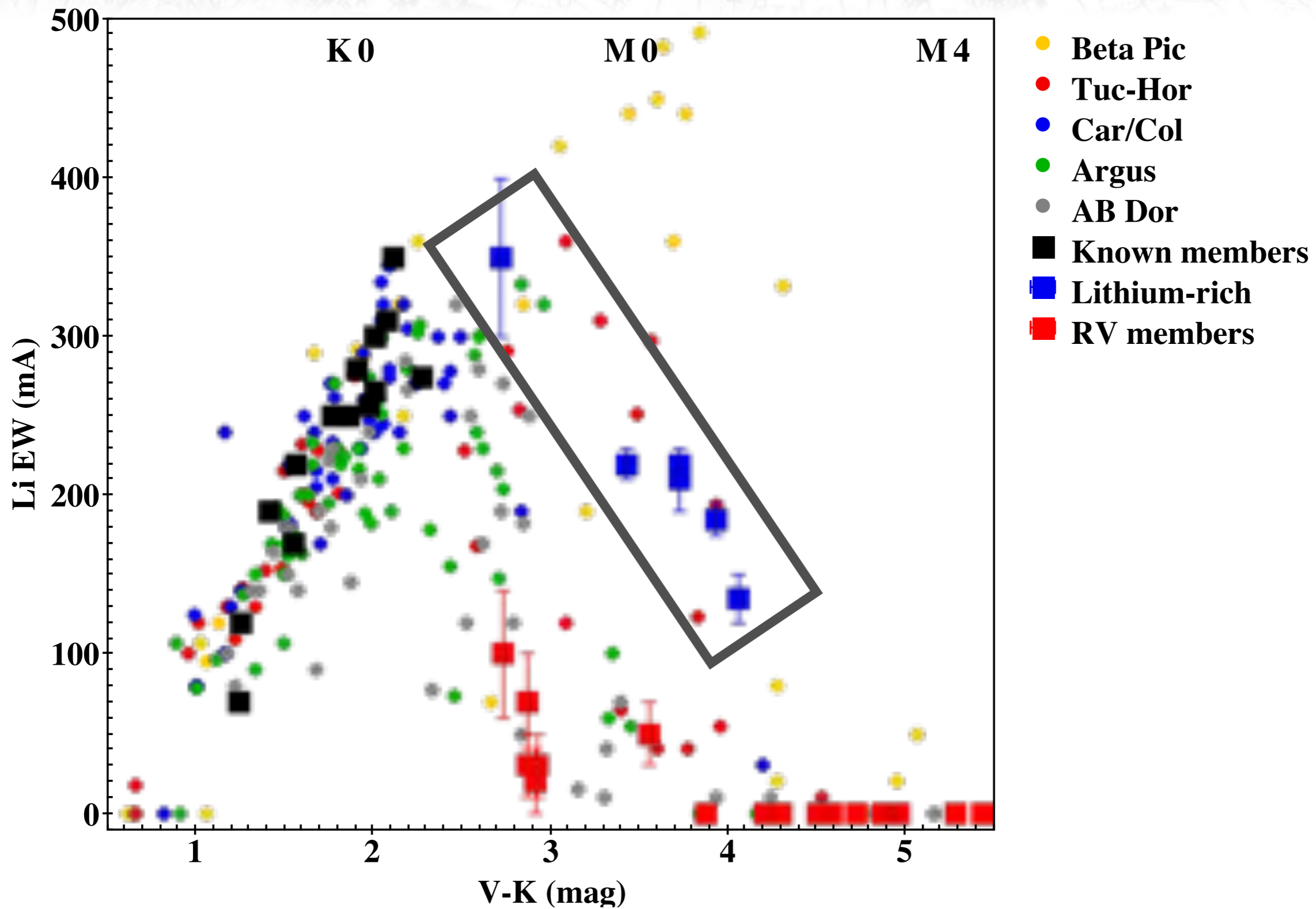


- 24 stars with RVs within 5 km/s of expected
- Including **6 stars with  $EW(Li) > 100 \text{ mÅ}$**
- Several suspected spectroscopic binaries, and/or fast rotators
- *WISE*  $22\mu\text{m}$  disk excesses, *ROSAT* detections

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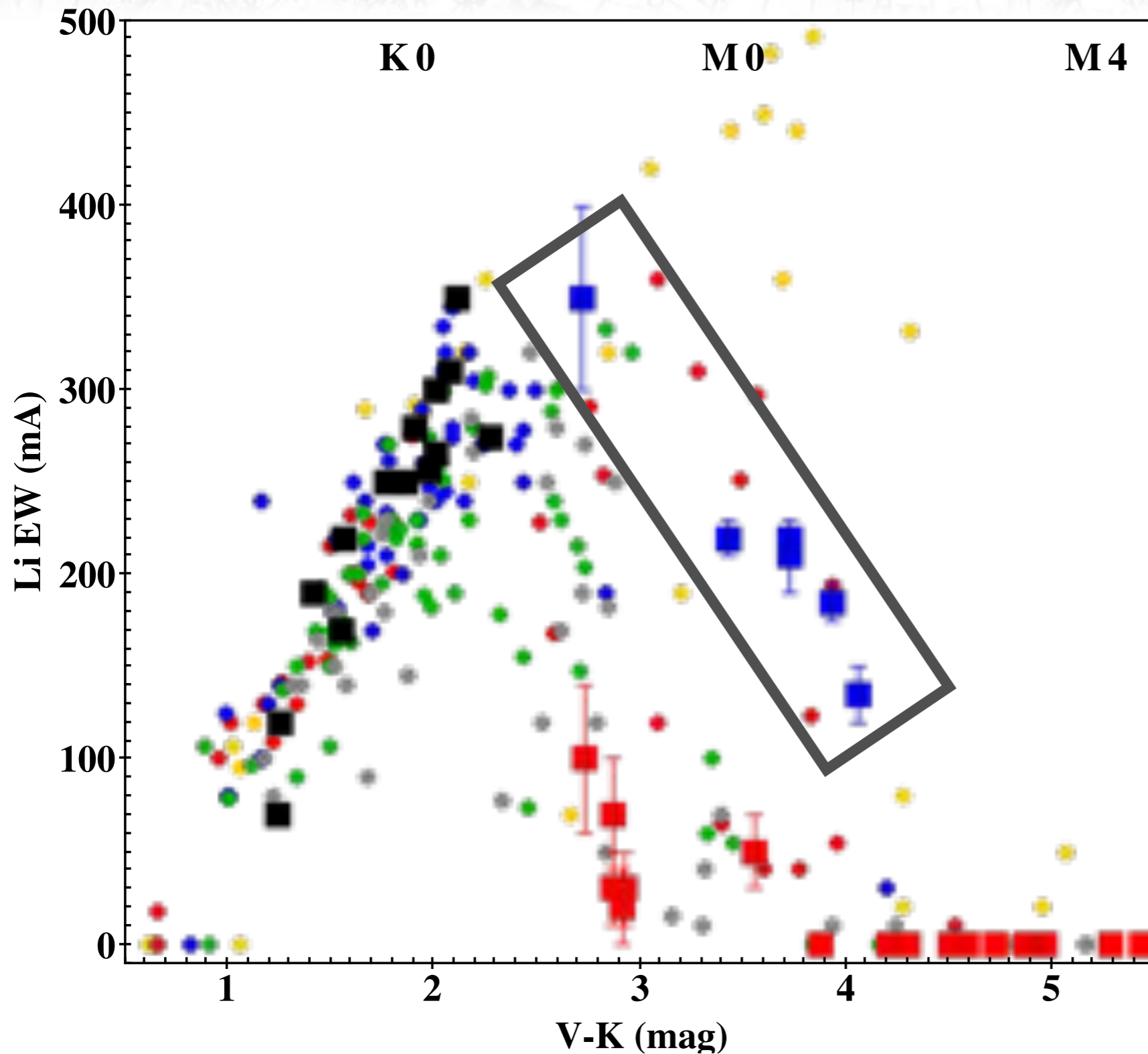


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- Beta Pic
- Tuc-Hor
- Car/Col
- Argus
- AB Dor
- Known members
- Lithium-rich
- RV members

Li EWs between  $\beta$  Pic (20 Myr) and Argus/IC 2301 (50 Myr), similar to Tuc-Hor

**AGE ~ 30 MYR?**

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