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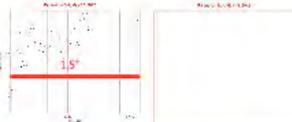
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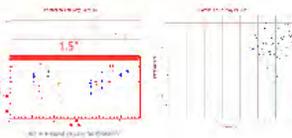


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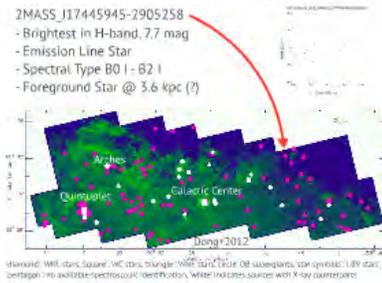
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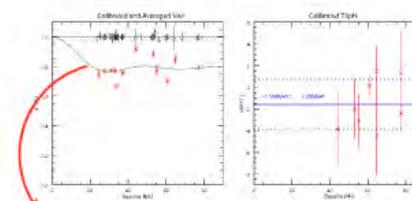
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CC

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SW

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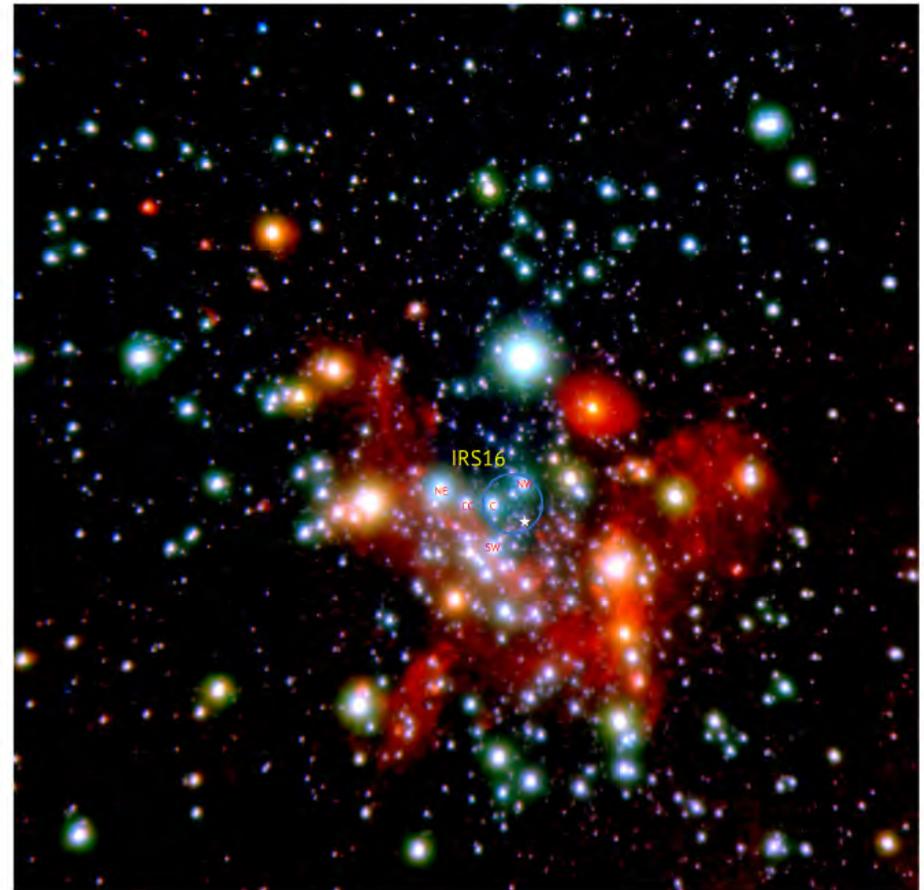
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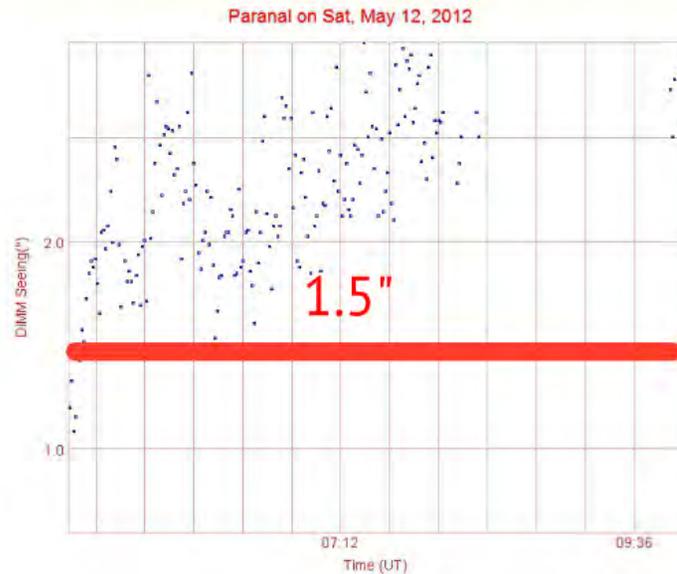
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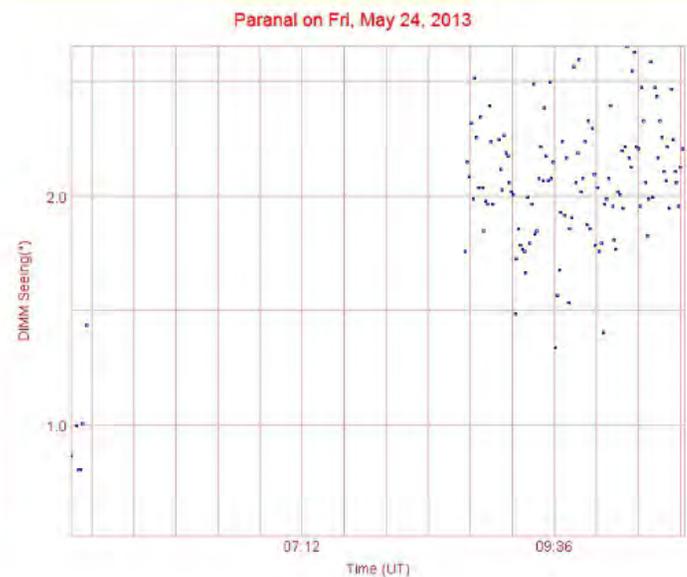
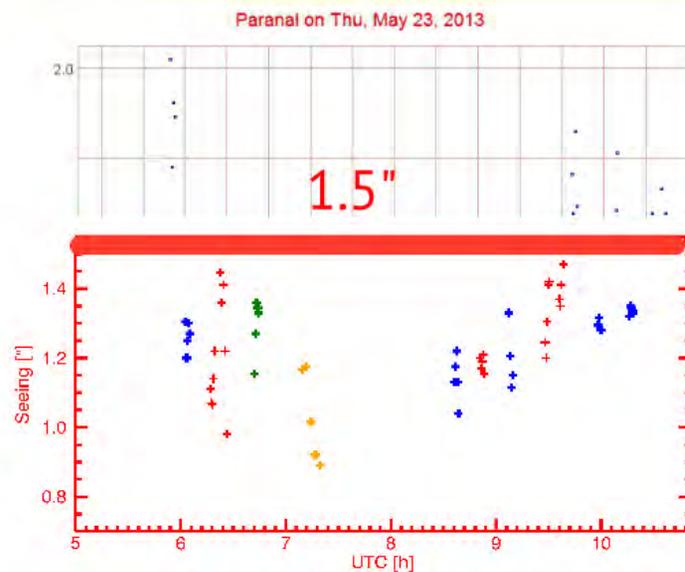


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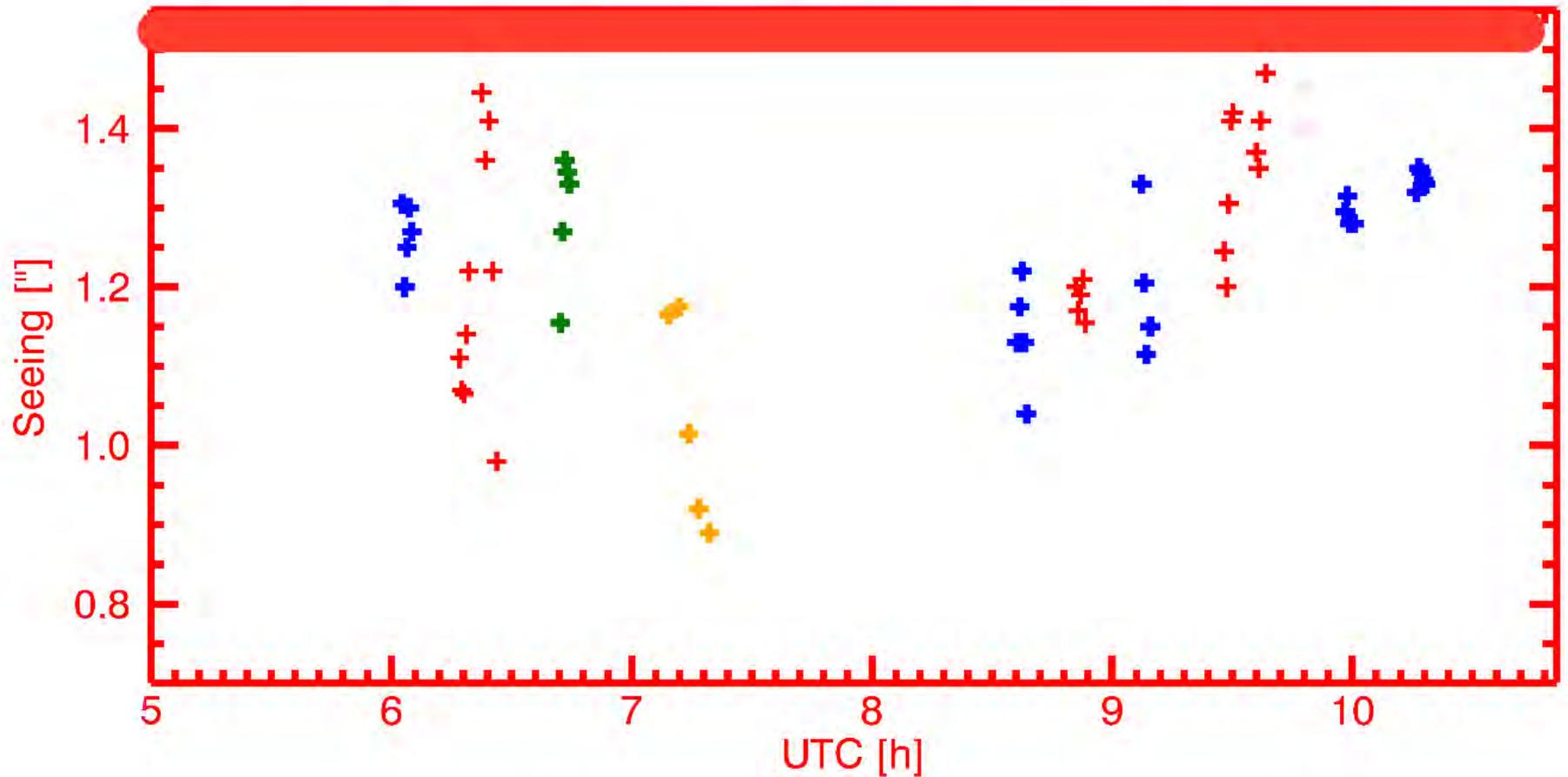


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1.5"



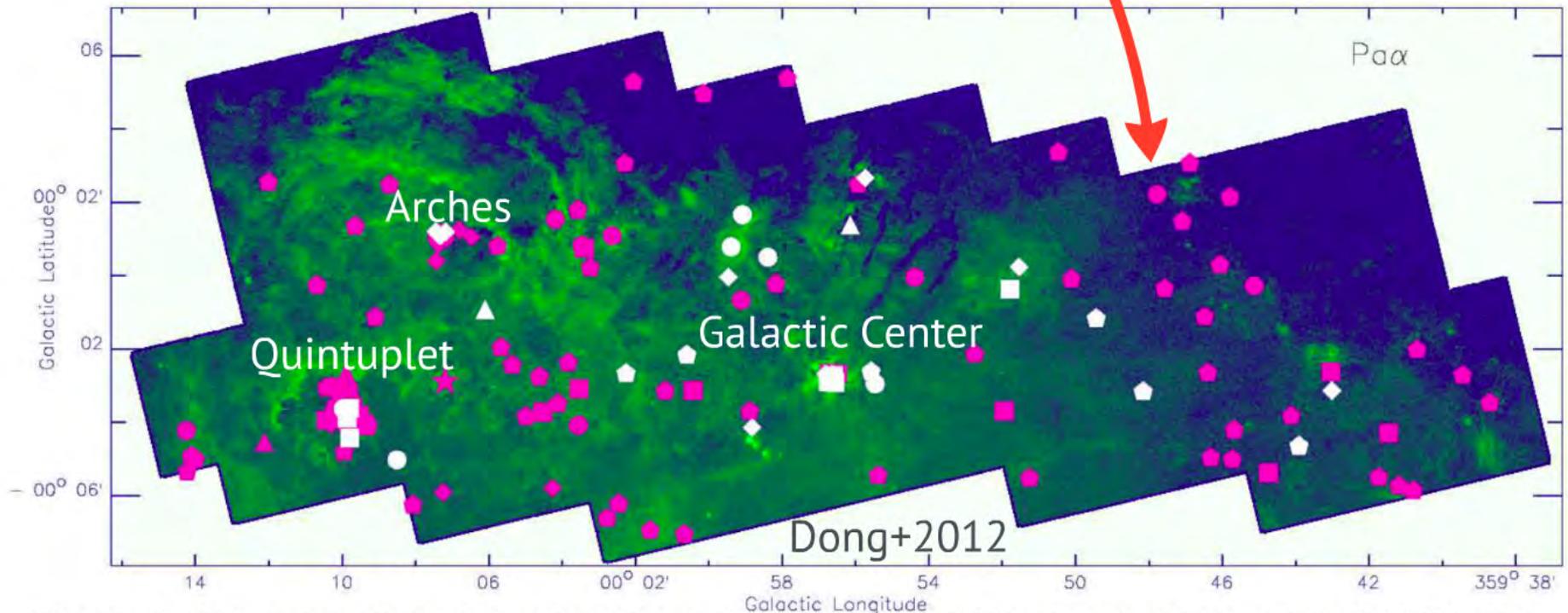
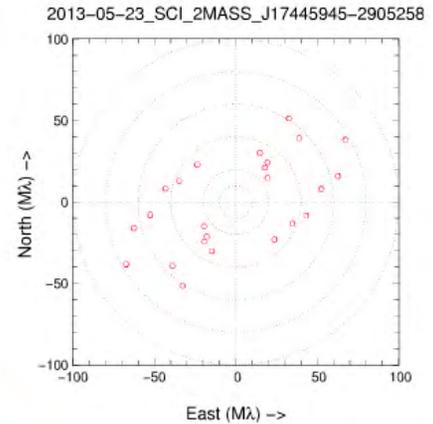
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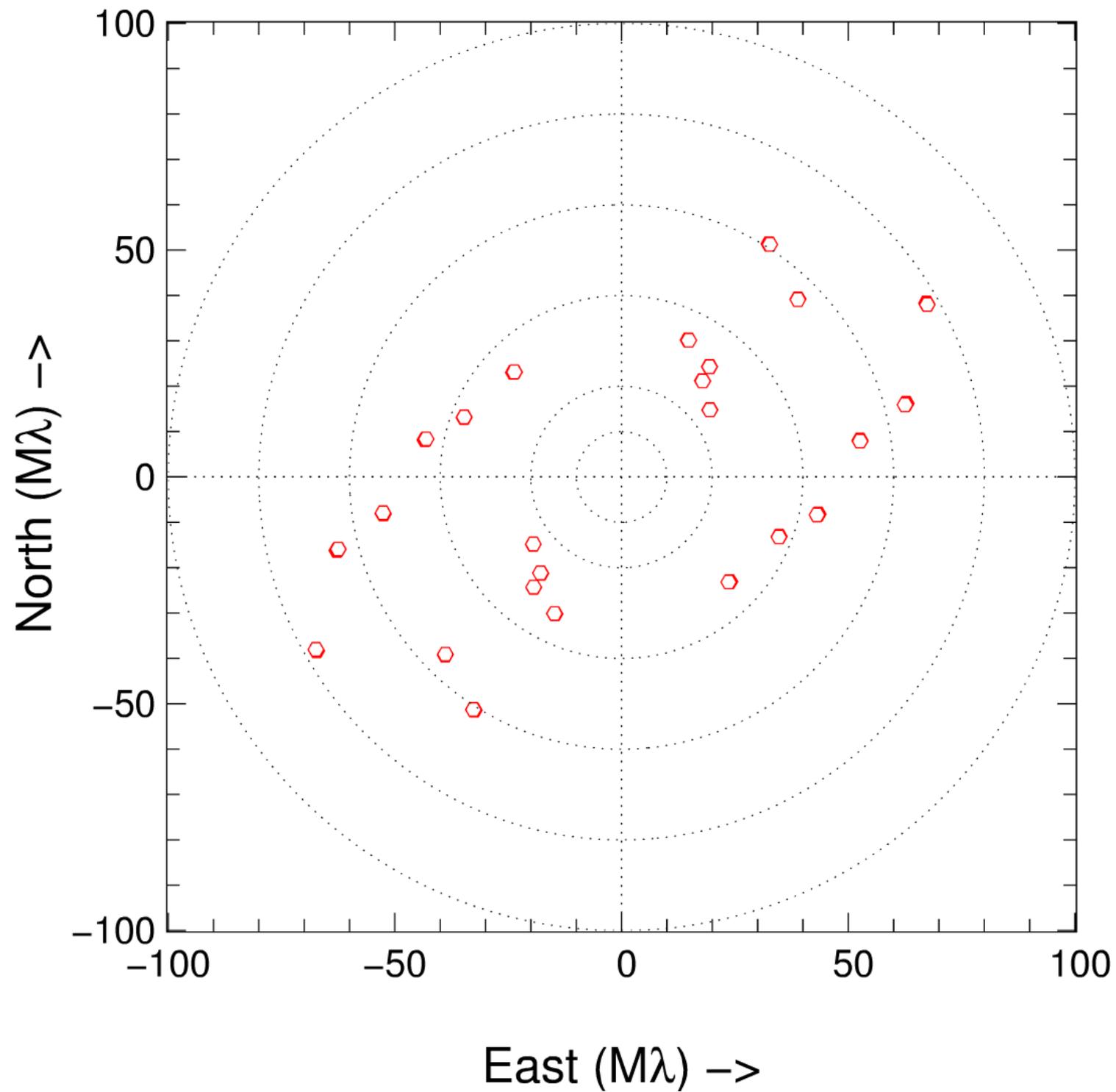
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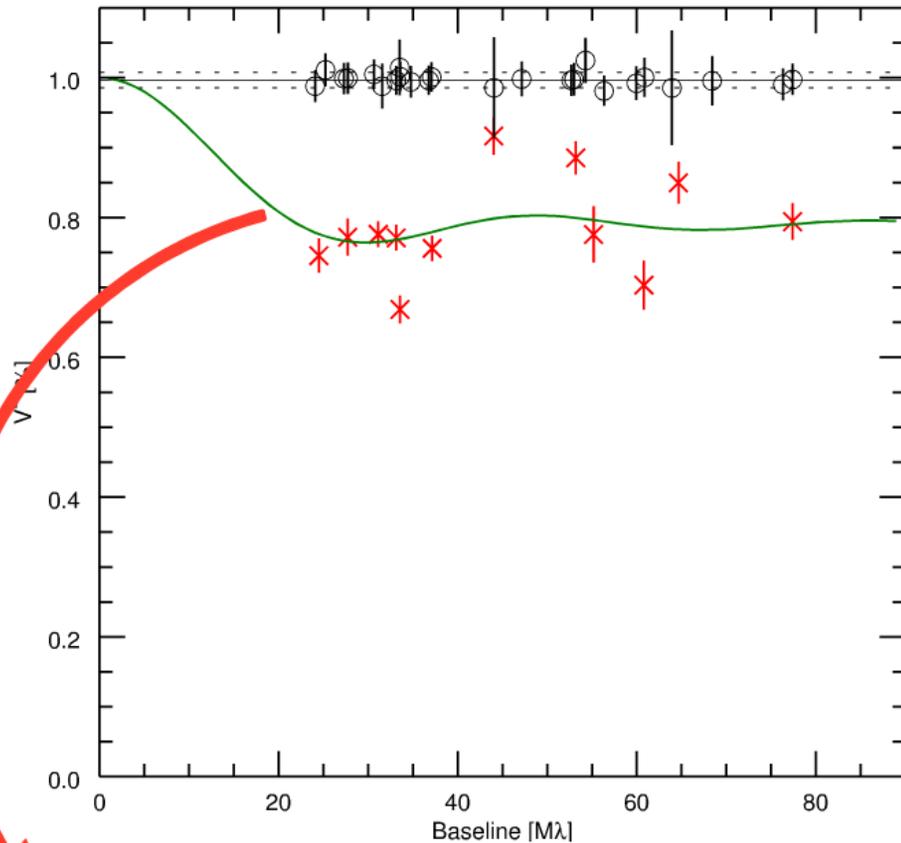
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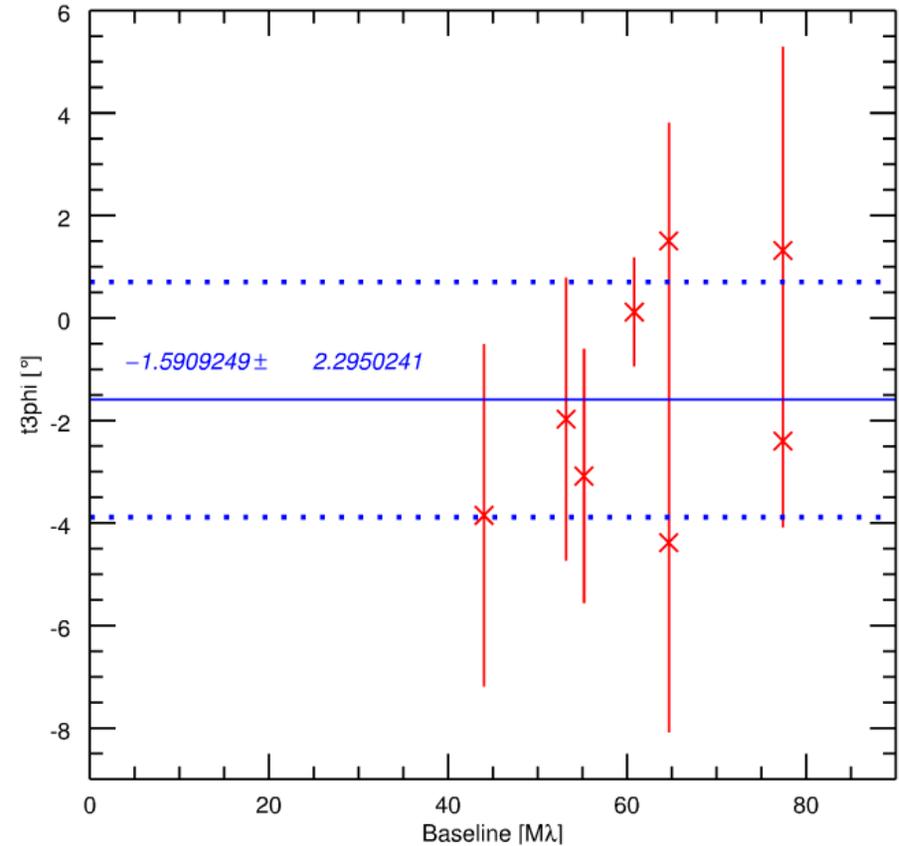
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Le Bouquin+2011

Calibrated and Averaged Vis²



Calibrated T3phi



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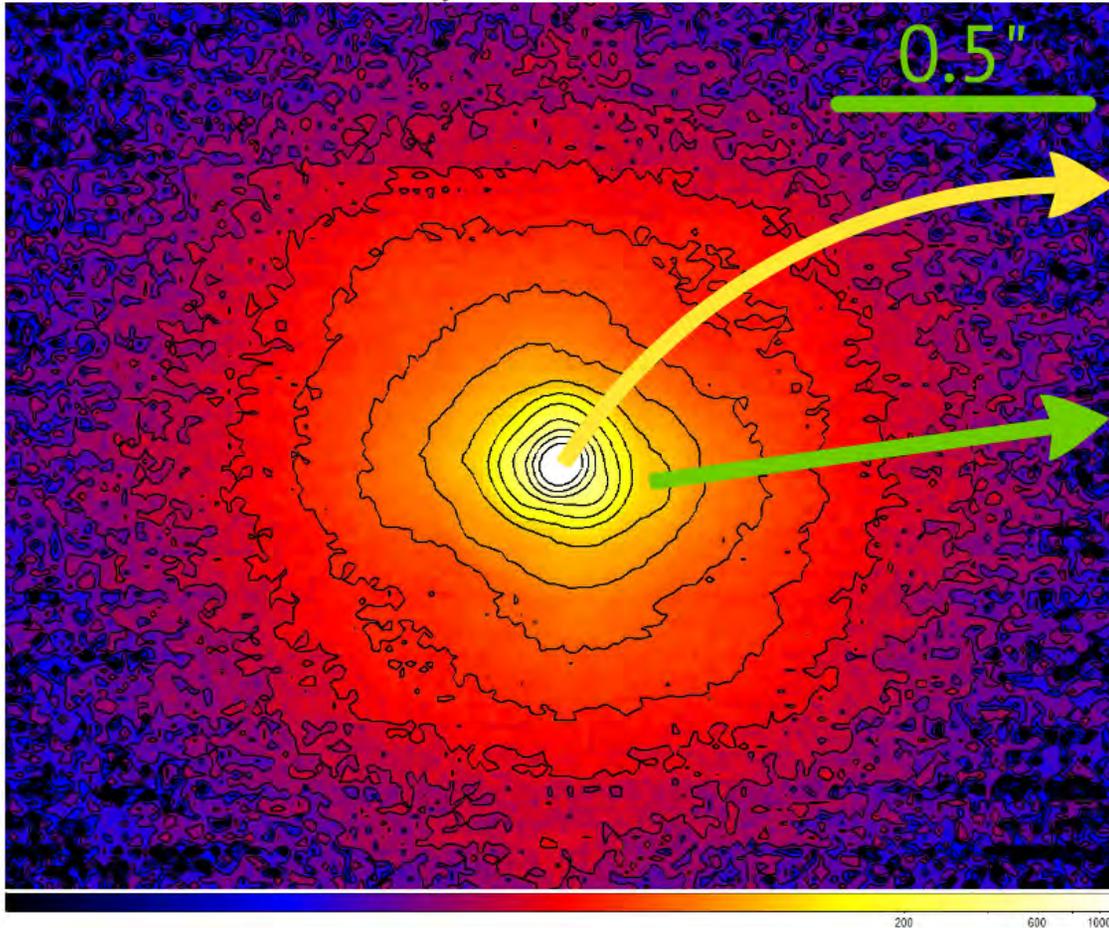
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NACO Observations

June 27 2013, Ks-band



upper limits of extension

bright region

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faint region

10% of Peak ~ 200 mas ~ 700 AU

Polarisation of 5%

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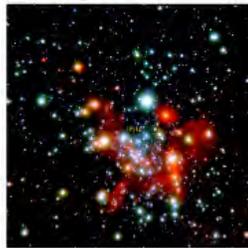
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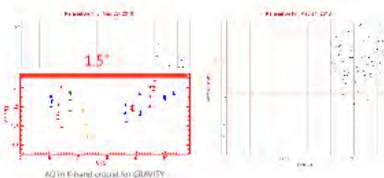
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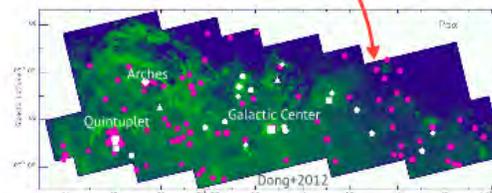


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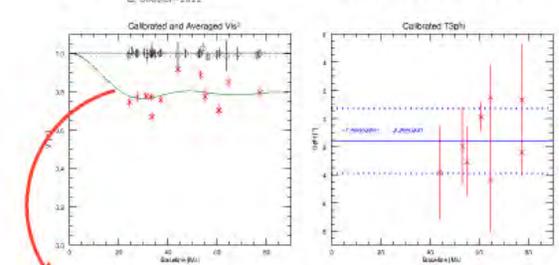
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