

# Poster Pop Session



# Crocker, Bicknell, Taylor & Carretti Star formation-driven Fermi bubbles





Radius as function of time



- Bubble ~10<sup>8</sup> yrs old
- Reverse shock @ I-I.5 kpc in expanding bubble - origin of microwave haze and extended radio emission
- Hadronic gamma ray emission from shell inside bubble

# Statistical Challenges in Fitting Stellar Orbits Around the BH at the Galactic Center.

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- We have over 20 years of stellar data but our measurements are limited by the precision of our reference frame.
- Currently We estimate our reference errors by Jack Knifing. But, global likelihood analysis is on the way!
- Stellar orbital analysis presents interesting statistical challenges such as exploring large dimension parameter spaces and testing for statistical consistency.
- My poster details coverage tests of BH parameter's confidence intervels assuming various priors, include our "observational-based" priors.

## Herschel far-IR & submm spectroscopy of Sgr A<sup>\*</sup> and the CND

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### Distribution of ionized, neutral atomic, warm molecular gas with Herschel/PACS





Working on our ALMA images...





## The Bubble in the Galactic Center M. A. Requena Torres; A. Noriega-Crespo; A. Harris







## **SPLASH OH masers in the Galactic Centre region**





The OH maser distribution in the Galactic Centre region.

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# Star formation rates on global and cloud scales within the Galactic Centre

A.T. Barnes, S.N. Longmore, C. Battersby, J. Bally, J. M. D. Kruijssen



# Daisuke Sakai (Univ. of Tokyo)

# VLBI astrometry toward Sgr D HII region with VERA





Parallax distance is 2.36(-0.39/+0.58) kpc

which suggests this source is located at **Scutum** arm

## Future plans

One of reasons for the difficulty of astrometry in GC is weakness of position reference QSO

By using Sgr B2 water maser as a reference, we can measure absolute positions of weaker maser sources than before. (10 Jy to 2-3 Jy)

Preliminary result in my poster



# **Constraining the Variability and Binary Fraction** of Young Stars in the Galactic Center

## **Abhimat Gautam** UCLA Galactic Center Group

Keck Adaptive Optics photometric data set over 12 years

Photometric analysis can identify **stellar variability** and **binarity** 

Variability and binarity helpful for understanding origin of young stars

## Initial constraints on the variability of binary fraction of young stars



# Statistical Study of High-Velocity Compact Clouds Based on the Complete CO Imagings of the Central Molecular Zone

Sekito Tokuyama, et al. Keio University

We performed a complete CO J=1-0 imaging of the CMZ and developed an automated procedure to identify High-Velocity Compact Clouds (HVCCs).



HVCC CO 0.02–0.02



We identified 116 HVCCs and performed statistical study.



## Masato I.N. Kobayashi (Nagoya U)

## 3) Successfully reproduce observed variation of GMC mass functions.



#### 2) Formulate Coagulation equation of GMC Mass Function

$$\frac{\partial n_{\rm cl}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \left( n_{\rm cl} \frac{\mathrm{d}m}{\mathrm{d}t} \right) = -\frac{n_{\rm cl}}{T_{\rm d}} + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty K(m_1, m_2) n_{\rm cl,1} n_{\rm cl,2} \times \delta(m - m_1 - m_2) \mathrm{d}m_1 \mathrm{d}m_2 - \int_0^\infty K(m, m_2) n_{\rm cl} n_{\rm cl,2} \mathrm{d}m_2$$

4) Observations may put unique constraints on GMC formation/dispersal timescales

by observing the mass function slope.

Steady State Solution  

$$n_{\rm cl}(m) = \frac{N_0}{M_\odot} \left(\frac{m}{M_\odot}\right)^{-1 - \frac{T_{\rm f}}{T_{\rm d}}}$$

### BACKGROUND INFRARED SOURCES FOR STUDYING INTERSTELLAR GAS IN THE CENTRAL MOLECULAR ZONE



#### **Project:**

Use 2MASS and Spitzer (GLIMPSE) catalogues to identify candidate dustembedded objects in the CMZ. Obtain quick low-res. *K*-band spectroscopy (mostly in Gemini poor weather time) to weed out RGs. Tom Geballe (Gemini) et al.

#### **Motivation:**

Spectroscopy of  $H_3^+$  has revealed long columns of **diffuse**, warm, expanding gas on sightlines toward the center of the CMZ.

#### Is this gas present throughout the CMZ?

Need high-resolution IR abs. spectroscopy of  $H_3^+$  on widely spaced sightlines.

➔ Need to find bright IR sources with "featureless" spectra elsewhere in the CMZ.

Problem: vast majority of bright IR stars in the GC are red giants.







**Results:** >500 objects surveyed. Mostly (cool) RGs, but also a menagerie of other useful and interesting objects (pure dust continua, heavily veiled RGs, hot stars).

To see more examples and learn what we are finding by using them visit Poster Board 7!

Physical Contact between the +20 km/s Cloud and the Galactic Circumnuclear Disk Shunya Takekawa, et al. (Keio University)

We mapped the CND in molecular lines using the Nobeyama 45 m telescope.



-50 km s<sup>-1</sup> cloue -0.02 -0.04 -0.06 -0.08 -0.10

-0.02 -0.04 -0.06 -0.08 -0.10 Galactic Longitude [deg]

We discovered an emission "bridge" which connects the +20 km/s cloud and the CND.

The asymmetric part of the CND may have plunged into the GMC.