



# HELP-ing Radio Continuum Surveys

## The Herschel Extragalactic Legacy Project

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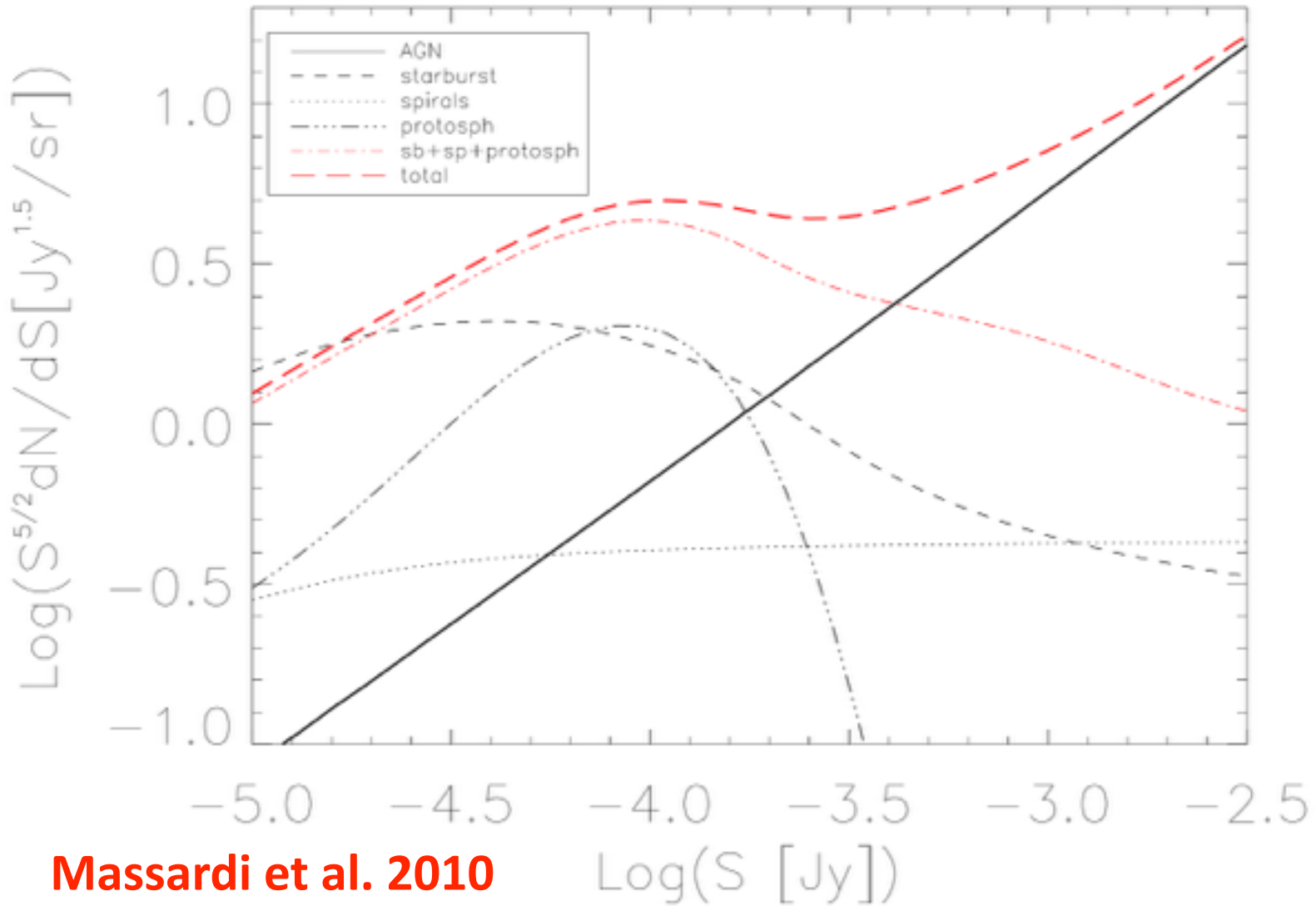
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# The Faint Radio Sky

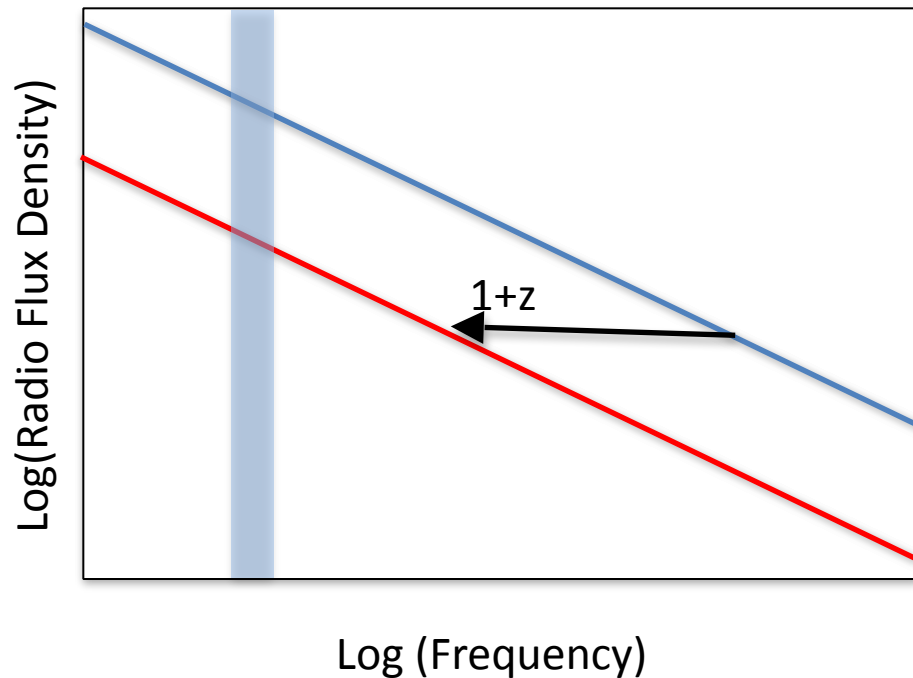


**Massardi et al. 2010**

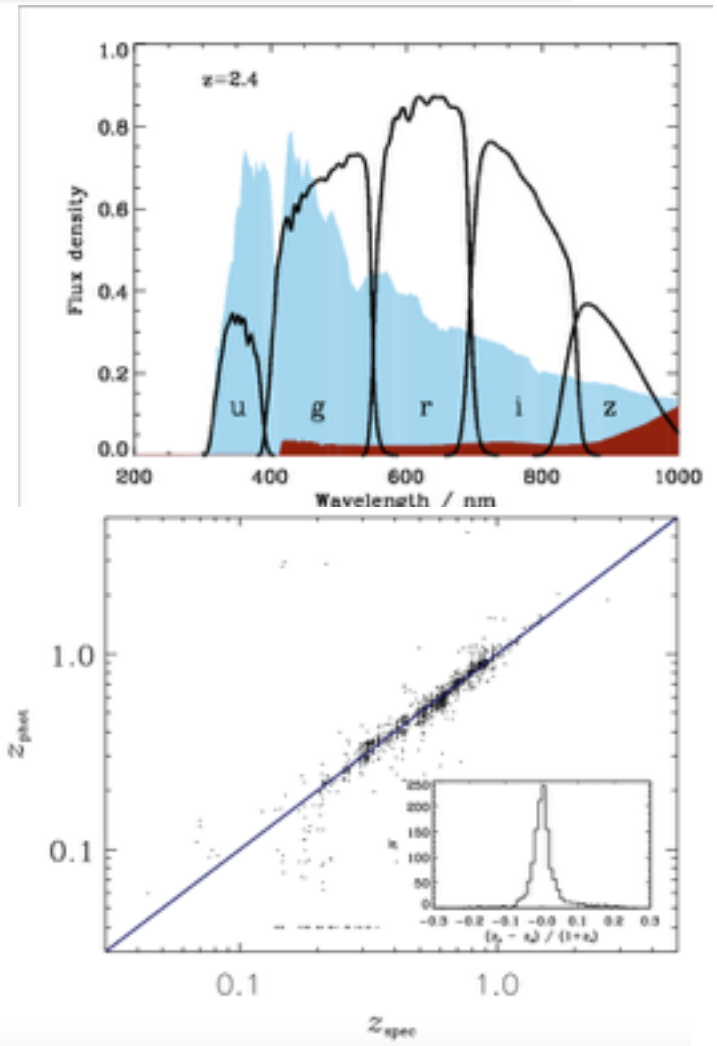
# But of course...

There's nothing as useless as a radio source

(Matt Jarvis)



No redshift information!



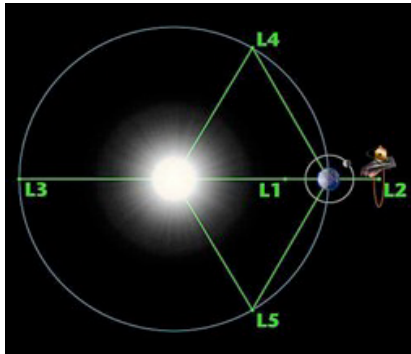


# The Herschel Space Observatory



Herschel is a recently completed **ESA cornerstone mission (2009-2013)**

- large (3.5 m) aperture, low emissivity (~5%), passively cooled (70-90 K)
- cryogenically cooled focal plane science instruments with ~3.5 year lifetime (2009-2013)



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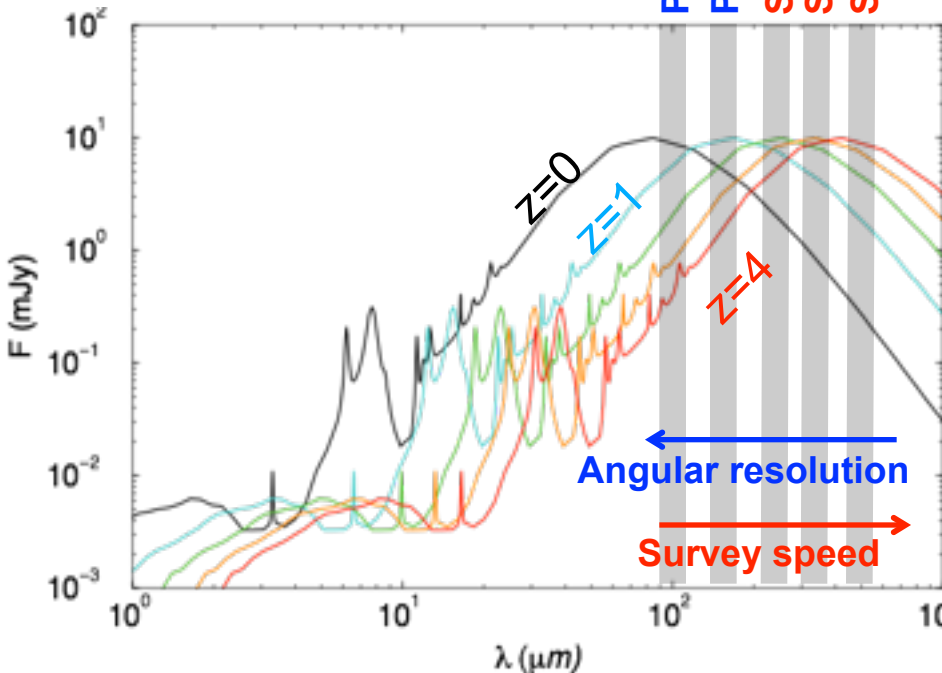
## Questions addressed by Herschel

- What is the history of Far-Infrared galaxies?
- How do they assemble and evolve over time?
- Where have luminous FIR systems gone today?
- How do FIR galaxies relate to dark matter?
- What is the role of dust in star formation?
- What is the connection between dusty star formation and AGNs?

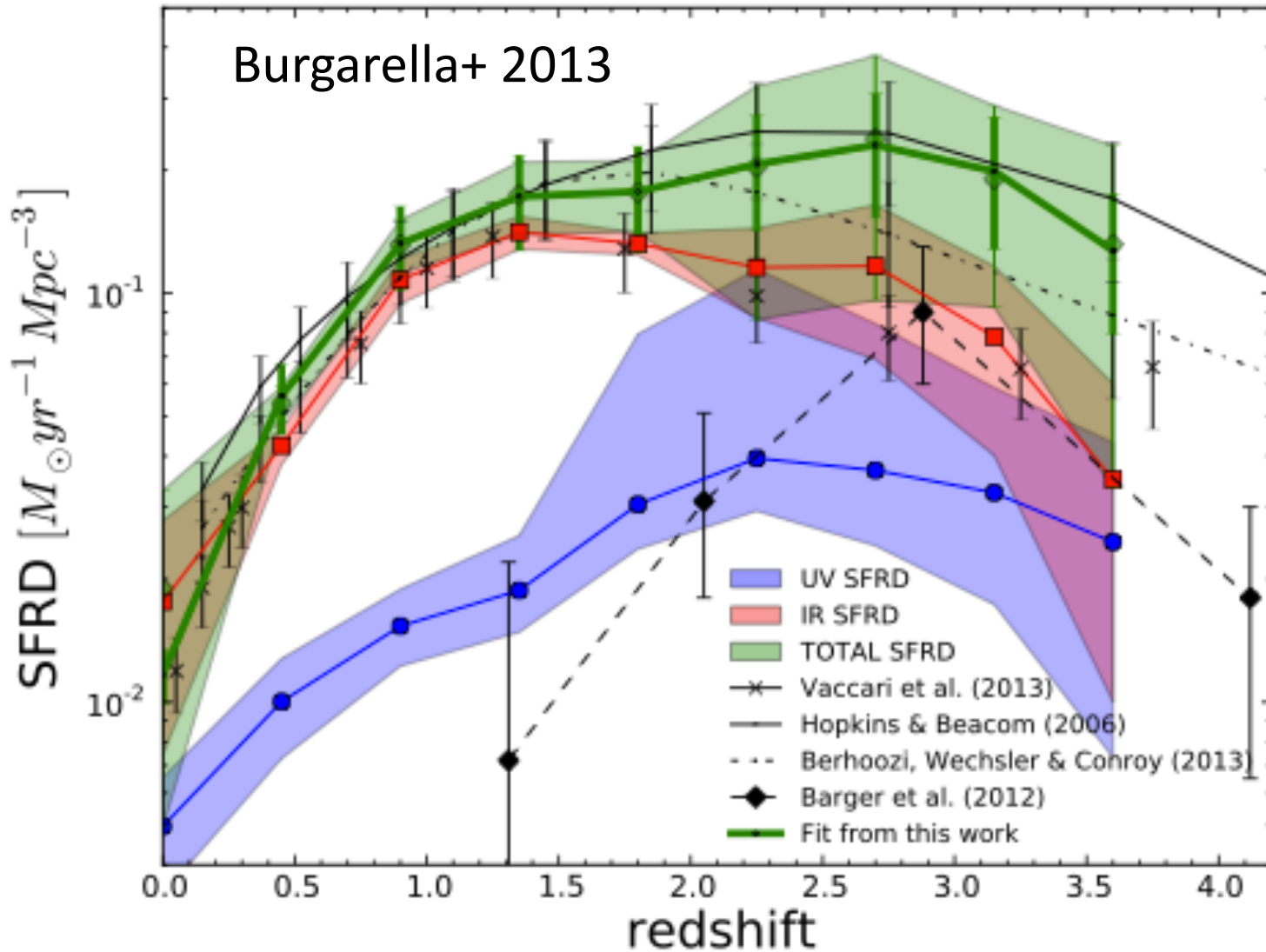


## Herschel Extragalactic Imaging Surveys

- High-sensitivity (albeit with moderate resolution)
- Use PACS & SPIRE at 100-500  $\mu\text{m}$
- Observe the SED peak of IR galaxies at  $1 < z < 4$
- Detect Large and Uniform Samples of (U)LIRGs
- Derive IR "Bolometric" (8-1000  $\mu\text{m}$ ) Luminosity and use it as a Star Formation Rate Indicator

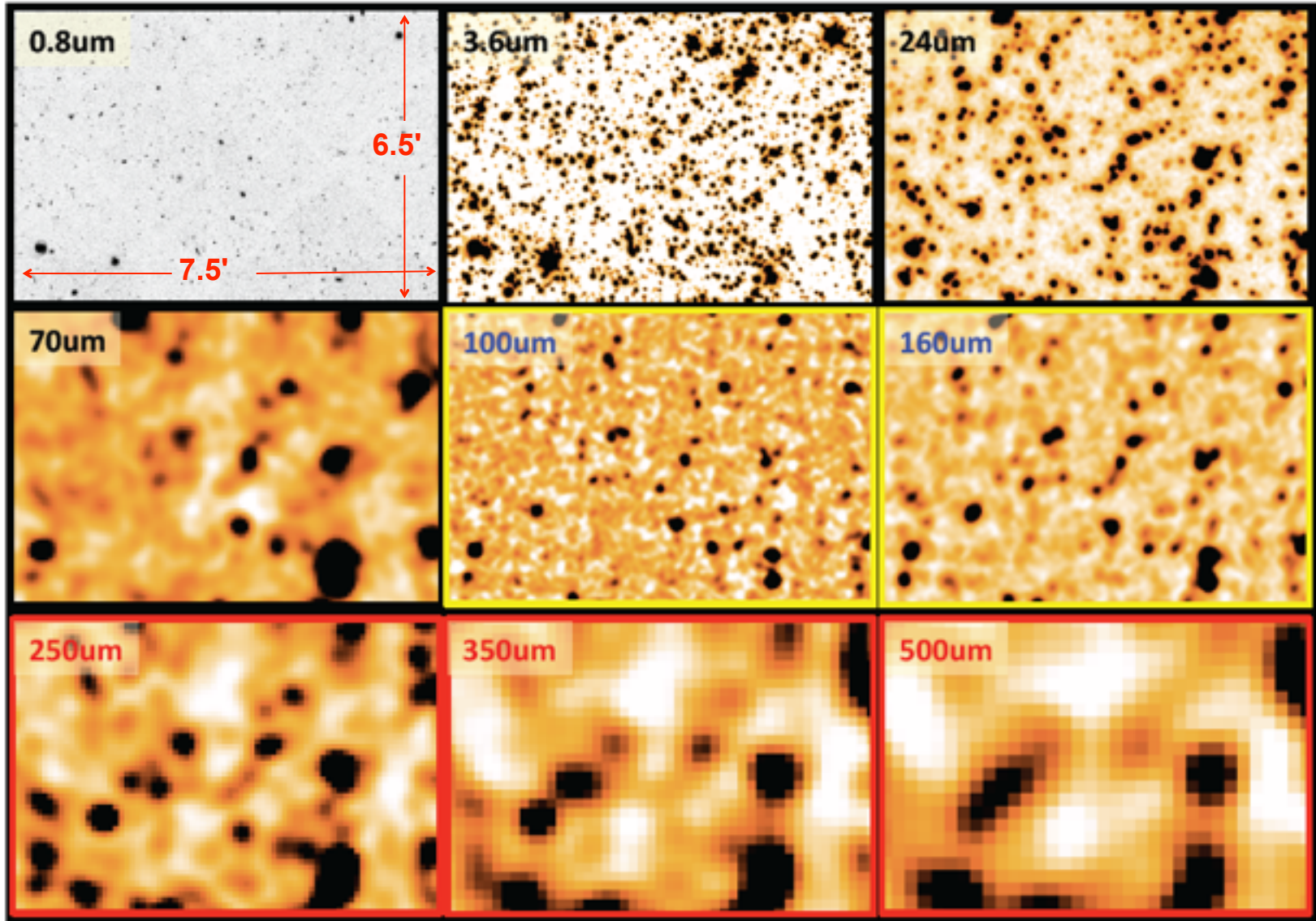


# The Cosmic SFR Density



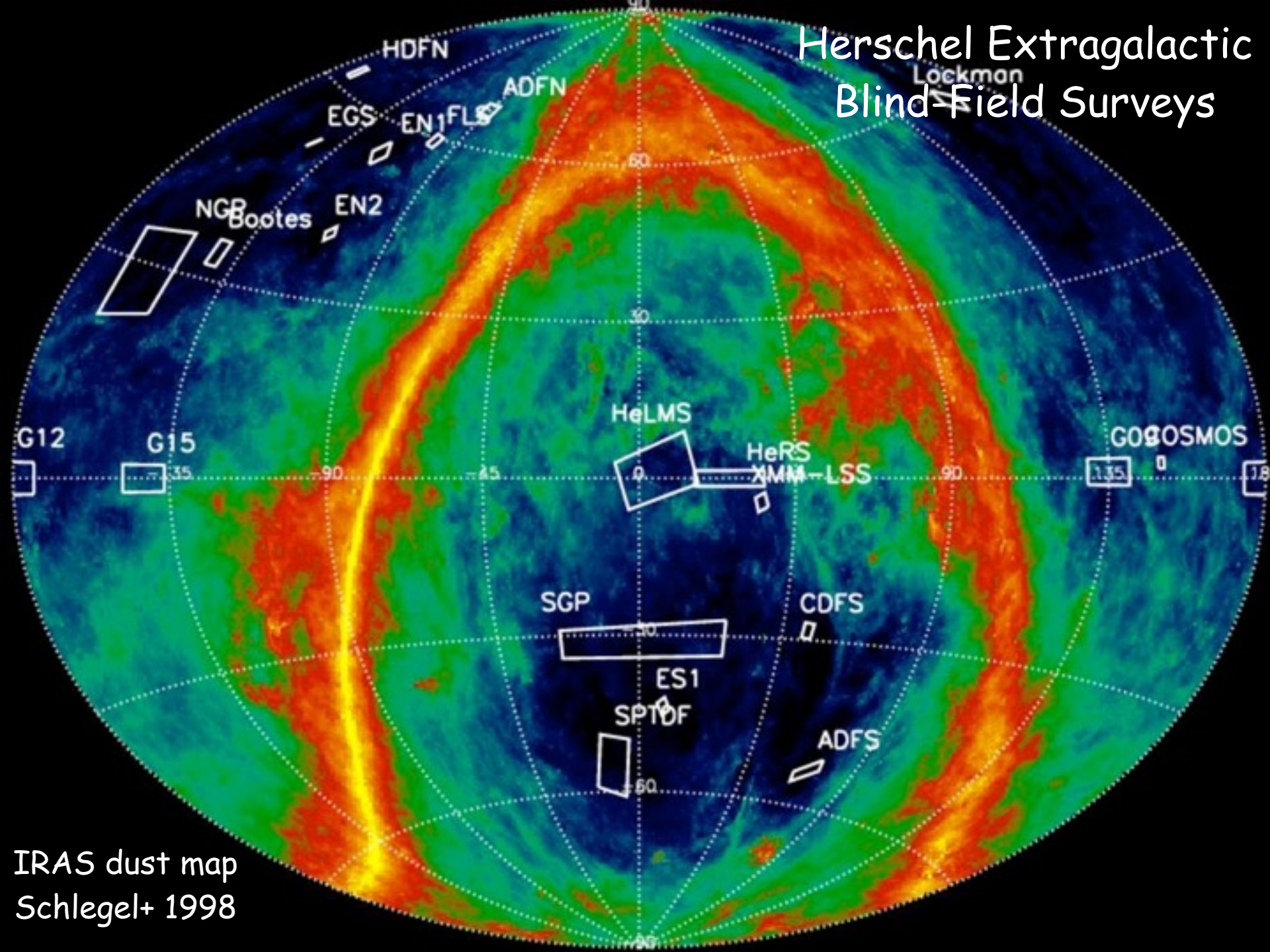


# The Confusion Challenge





# Herschel Extragalactic Blind-Field Surveys



IRAS dust map  
Schlegel+ 1998



# A Multi-Wavelength Catalog for Herschel Science

## The Spitzer Multi-Wavelength 'Data Fusion'



# of Sources	IRAC 3.6/4.5	MIPS 24	MIPS 70	MIPS 160	GALEX NUV/FUV	SDSS ugriz	Optical ugriz	2MASS J/H/K	UKIDSS J/K	Area deg <sup>2</sup>
ES1	390231	61236	2246	961	85039	NA	146537	10904	NA	~7.0
XMM	498027	69629	3823	1702	104344	NA	327024	14794	151565	~8.5
CDFS	462638	97002	4096	1813	101705	NA	177745	12952	NA	~7.5
LH	660682	110516	5548	2417	158981	217005	432490	17139	226838	~11.0
EN1	575524	102406	4652	2133	116180	210571	363949	21210	334955	~9.5
EN2	272412	59378	2331	970	63774	103460	173880	11443	NA	~4.5
Bootes	677522	41969	4325	2825	159218	228757	592136	7007	NA	~8.5
XFLS	107720	16712	2252	322	29208	62437	82576	11682	NA	~4.5

S W I R E

TOT : ~ 3 million of sources

65 deg<sup>2</sup>

$\sigma \sim 1 \mu\text{Jy}$  in IRAC12

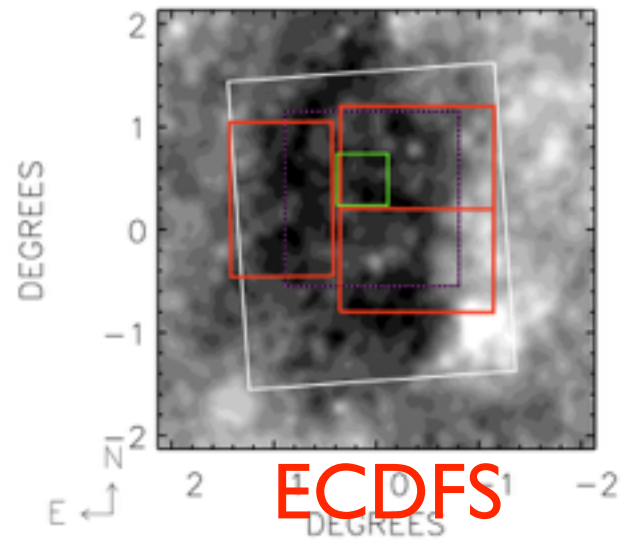
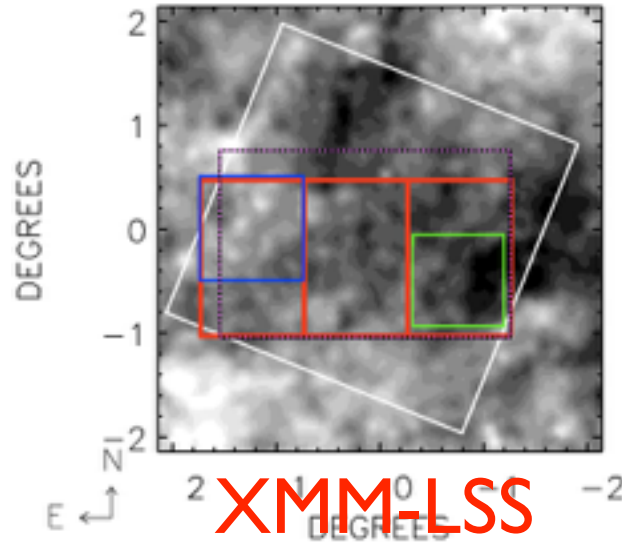
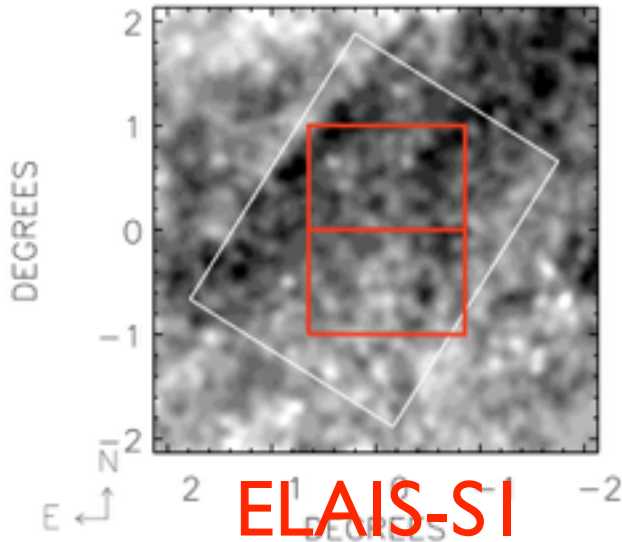
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- Based on an **homogeneous source re-extraction** of IRAC and MIPS maps (**IRAC1 or IRAC2 selection**)
- UV/Optical/NIR catalog-level **Aperture Matching** and template fitting  $\chi^2$  minimization (Rowan-Robinson+ 2013) returning good photometric redshifts and physical constraints
- Image-level aperture matching and/or multi-band source extraction still required for the optimal exploitation of **VOICE, DES, VIDEO & SERVS data** in equatorial/southern fields





# The VISTA-VIDEO Survey

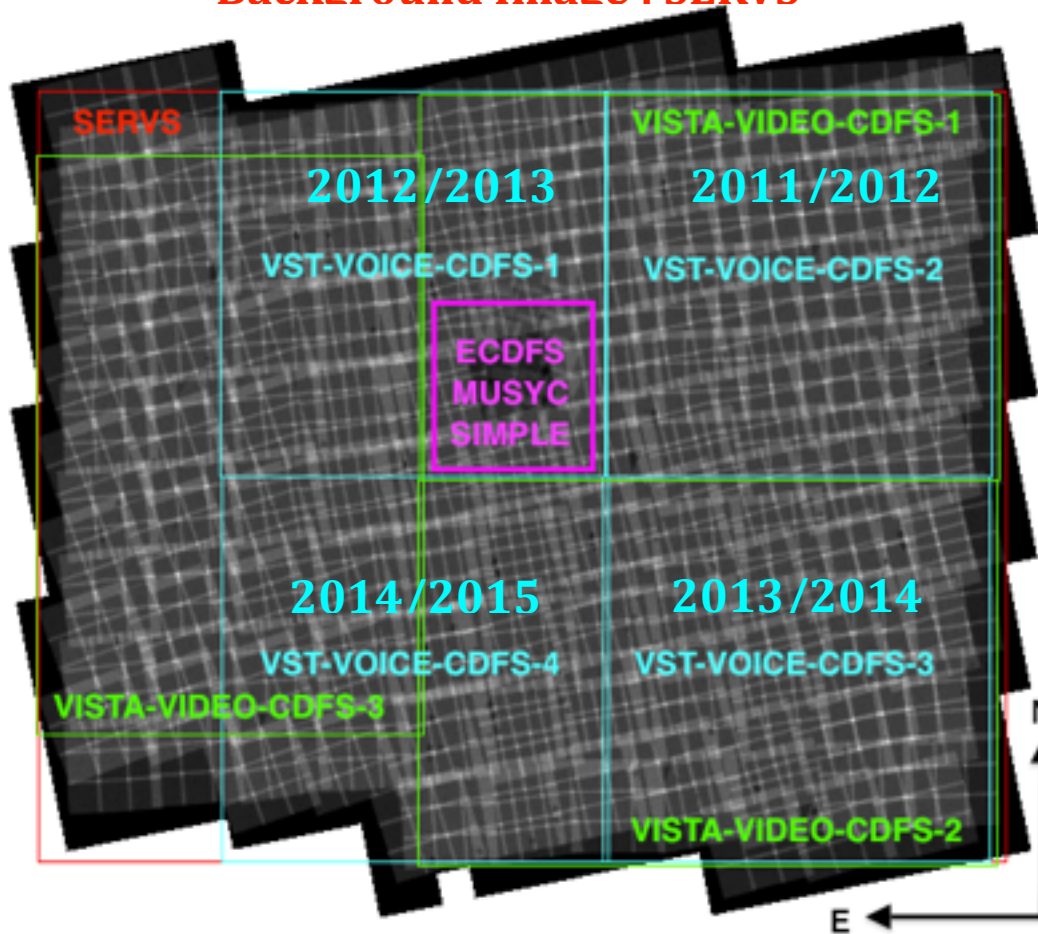


Filter	Time (per source)	Time (full survey)	$5\sigma$ AB	$5\sigma$ Vega	Seeing	Moon
Z	17.5 hours	456 hours	25.7	25.2	0.8	D
Y	6.7 hours	175 hours	24.6	24.0	0.8	G
J	8.0 hours	209 hours	24.5	23.7	0.8	G
H	8.0 hours	221 hours	24.0	22.7	0.8	B
$K_s$	6.7 hours	180 hours	23.5	21.7	0.8	B

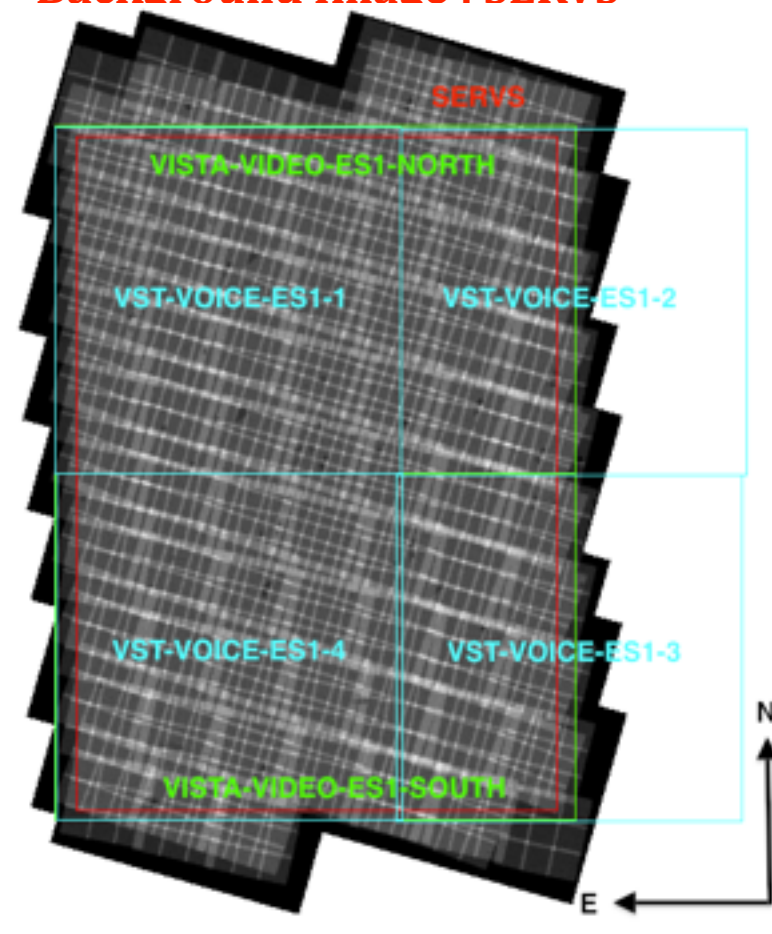


# The VST-VOICE Survey

**Background Image : SERVS**



**Background Image : SERVS**



**VST Optical Imaging of the CDFS & ES1 (VOICE)** - PIs : Covone & Vaccari  
 u+gri (BVR) VST (+WFI) survey over 4 deg<sup>2</sup> in CDFS (ES1) to AB=25-26

**Multi-Epoch for SN Search and AGN Variability** (De Cicco+ 2015, Falocco+ 2015)

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# The Dark Energy Survey



**DES Supernova Survey Fields (cf. LSST Deep Drilling)**  
2 Deep + 8 Shallow (Mostly MIGHTEE/VIDEO) Fields





# HELP Overview



- HELP = Herschel Extragalactic Legacy Project
- European Commission project funded (2014-17) to:
  - Bring together multi- $\lambda$  surveys over more than 1000 deg<sup>2</sup>
  - Lower the barriers to multi- $\lambda$  statistical survey science
  - Provide a resource for astronomers to study the high redshift Universe akin to SDSS (also) using Herschel
  - Provide tools to make Herschel surveys easy to use



# Meet The Team

<http://herschel.sussex.ac.uk>

- UK : Sussex (PI Seb Oliver), Cardiff & Cambridge
- France : LAM - Marseille & CEA - Saclay
- Netherlands (Leiden) & Cyprus (European University)
- **South Africa : UWC - Cape Town**



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# Science Objectives

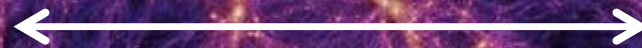


- Detecting rare objects (e.g. high- $z$  galaxies)
- Multi- $\lambda$ /multi-variate Luminosity Functions
- Statistical description of galaxy number density as a function of physical properties such as SFR,  $M_*$ ,  $M_{\text{dust}}$  as well as redshift
- Galaxy properties as function of environment
- Connection between AGN and star formation



# Need for Large Multi- $\lambda$ Fields

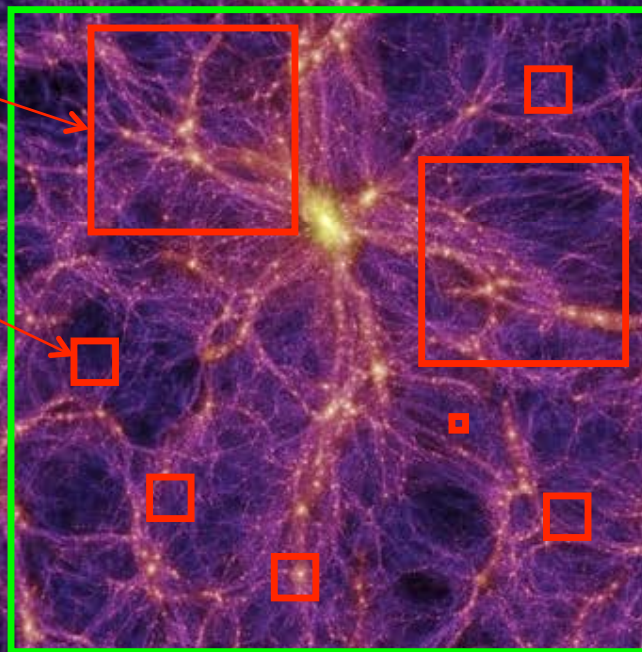
$3^\circ$  at  $z=1$



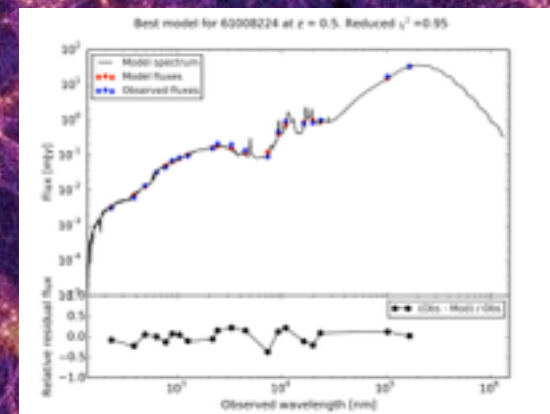
125 Mpc/h



ASTRODEEP  
fields



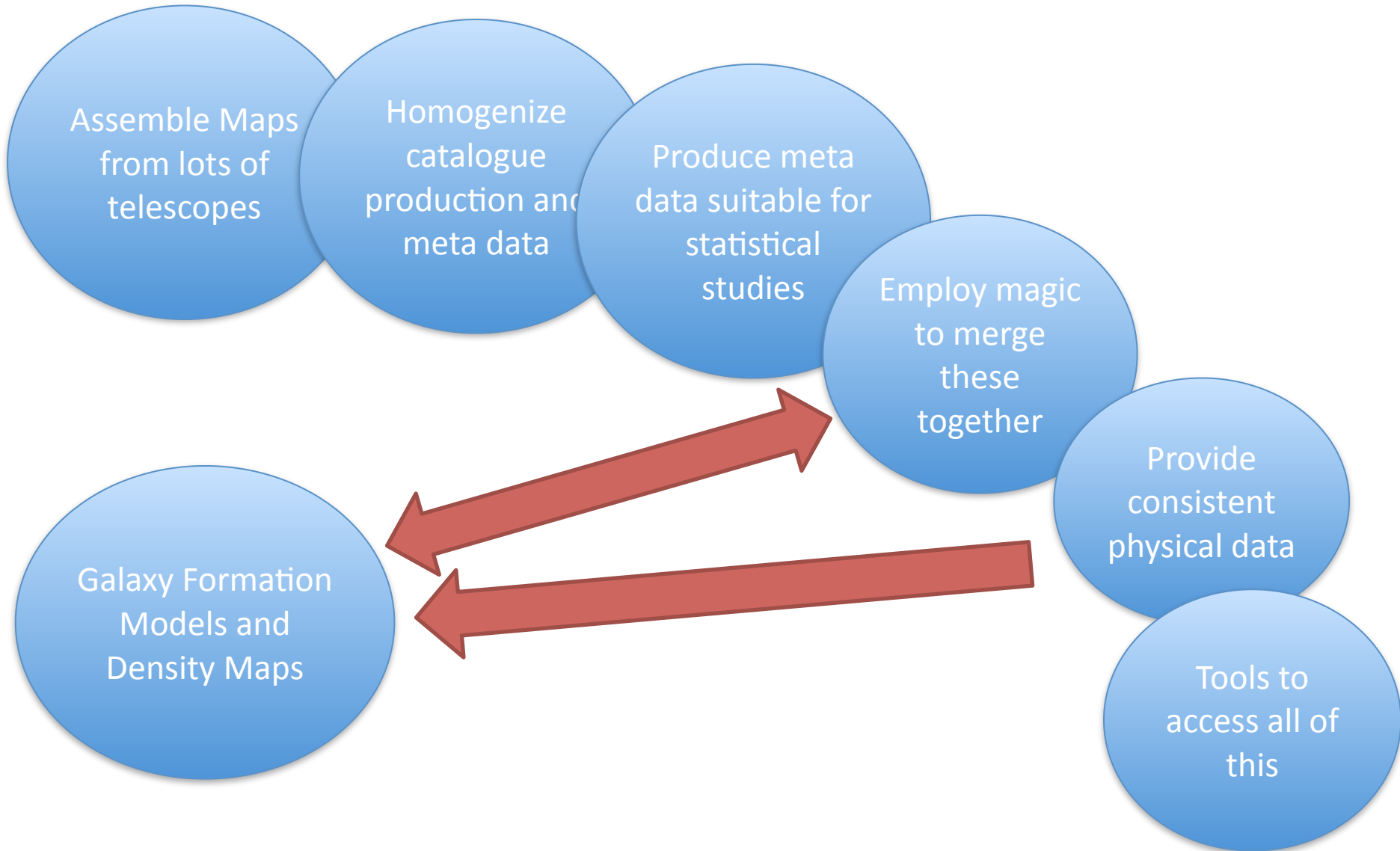
Typical HerMES  
field



$\Delta z = 0.1$  at  $z = 1$



# Concept

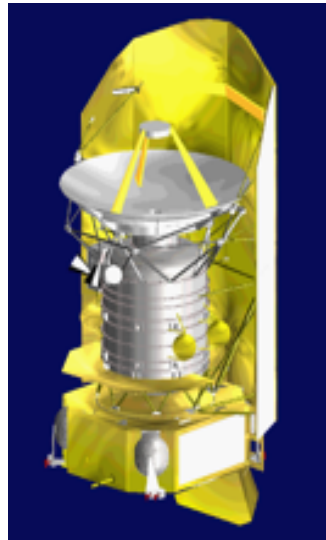




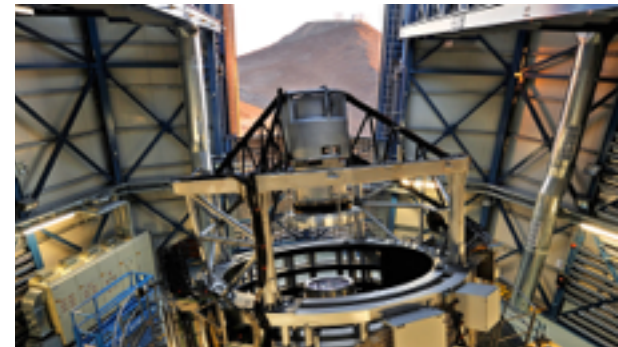
# Assemble maps from lots of telescopes



- SPIRE Surveys
  - HerMES
  - H-ATLAS
  - HeRS, SPTDF...



- UV/Opt/NIR/IRAC/MIPS
  - GAMA, VST, DES, COSMOS
  - VISTA, SERVS, SWIRE...



- Radio (SKA Pathfinders)
  - LOFAR, ASKAP, MeerKAT
- Postage Stamp Viewer





# Homogenize Catalogs & Meta-Data

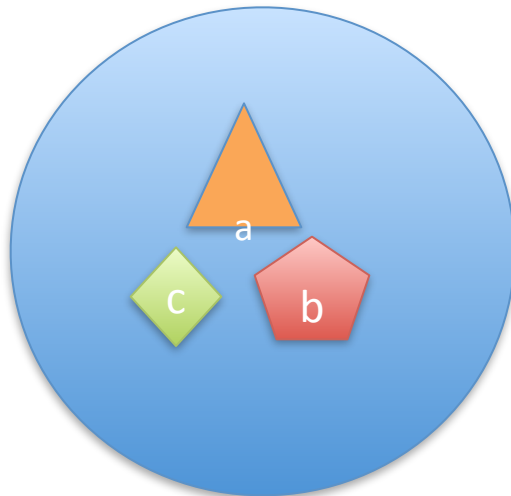


- Uniform calibration from telescope to telescope, field to field and band to band
- Image-level Aperture Matching where possible
- Multi-lambda consistent detection & photometry
- Meta data including calibration, bands, filters etc.
- Suitable for Statistical Studies
- Flexible Database Download/Upload/XID Features

“plug and play”

# Herschel IDs with no prior

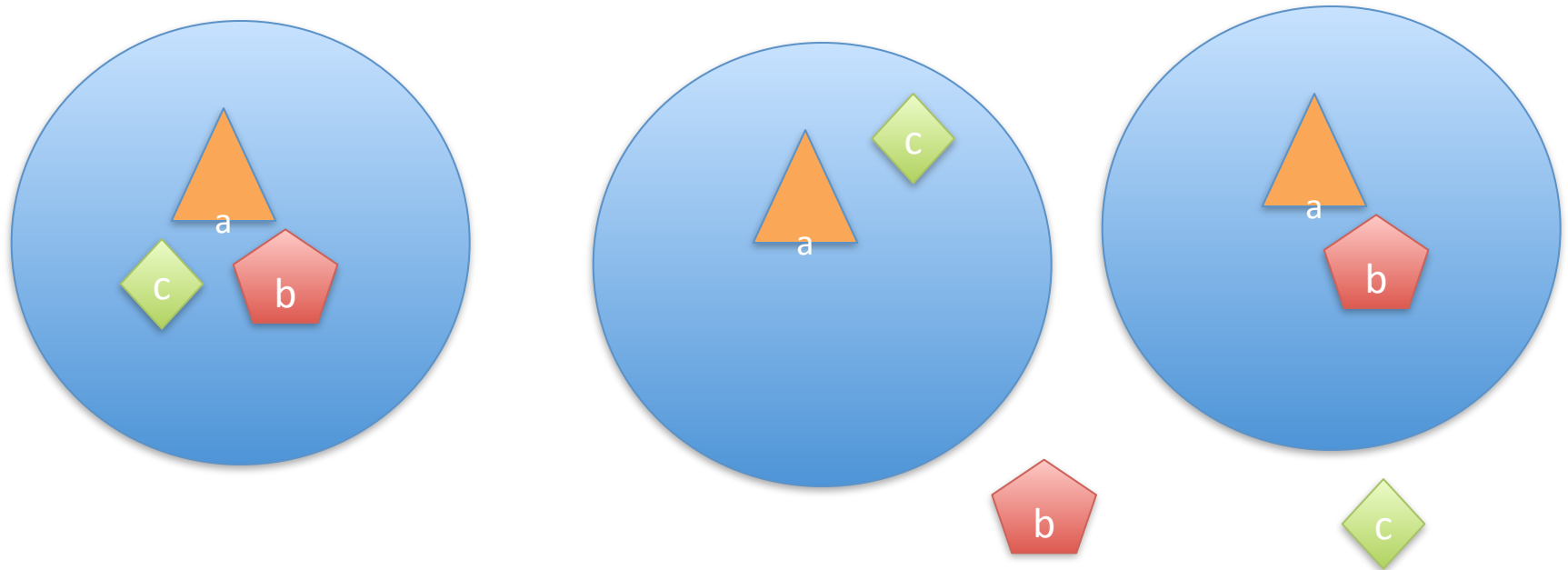
- Faced with a single Herschel source like this you don't know what to think. Is the Herschel blob (blue circle) associated with a, b or c?





# Herschel IDs with prior

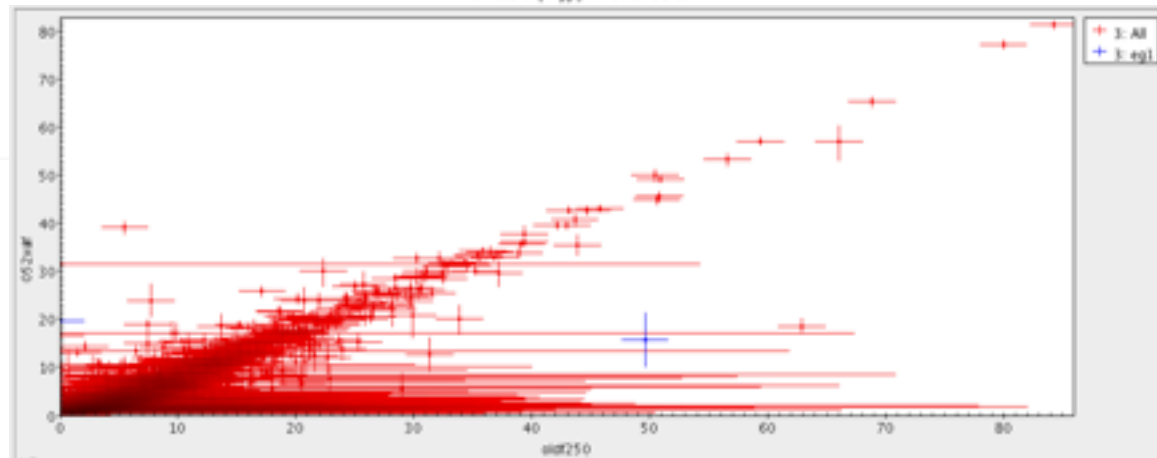
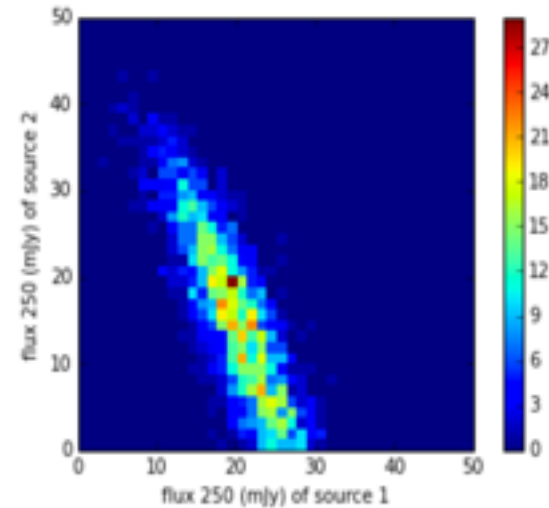
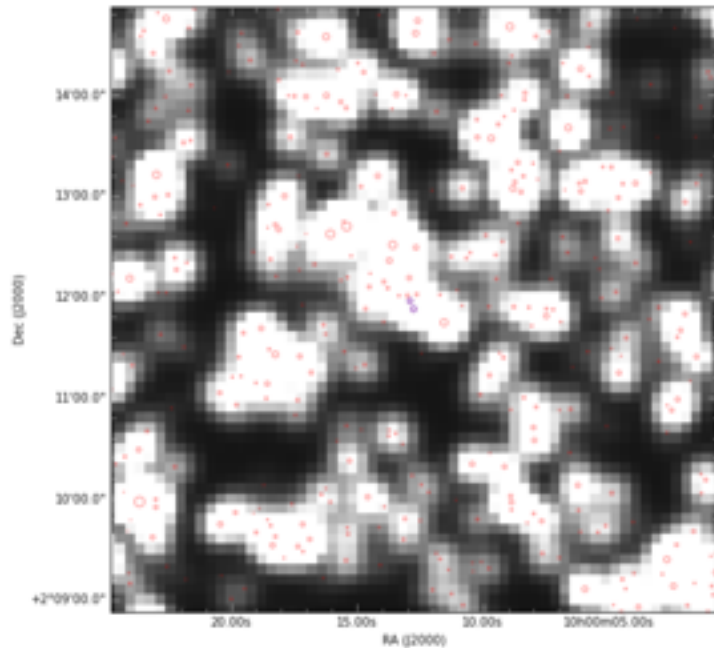
- With a large population of Herschel sources you have much more information you can use to determine the likelihood of any association



=> Employ magic to merge these together!

# HELP : Enter XID+

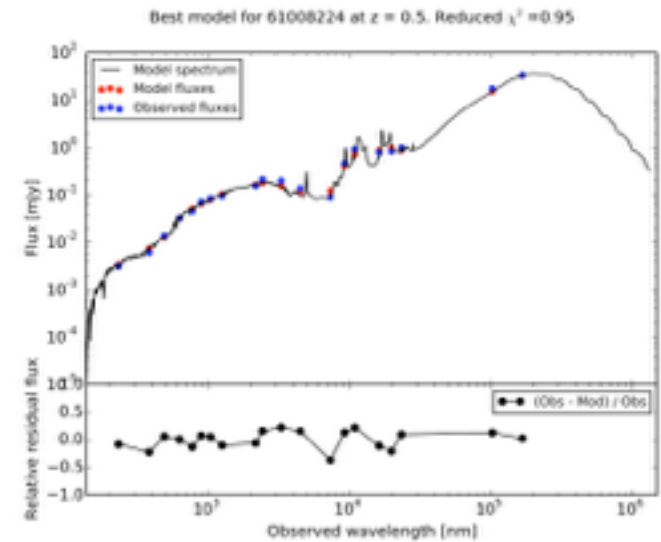
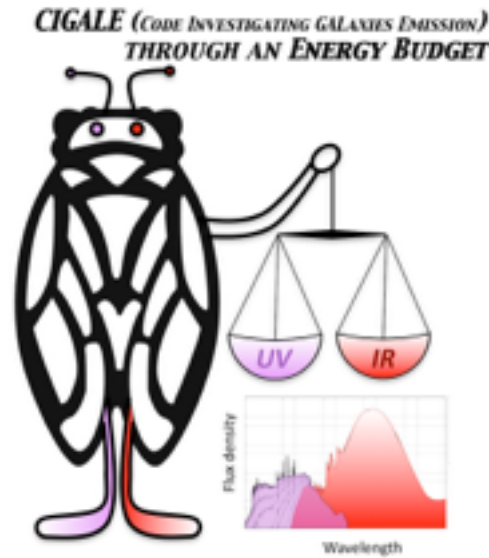
- Use STAN as Bayesian inference engine (<http://mc-stan.org/>)
- Use a MCMC based approach to fully map posterior



Peter Hurley

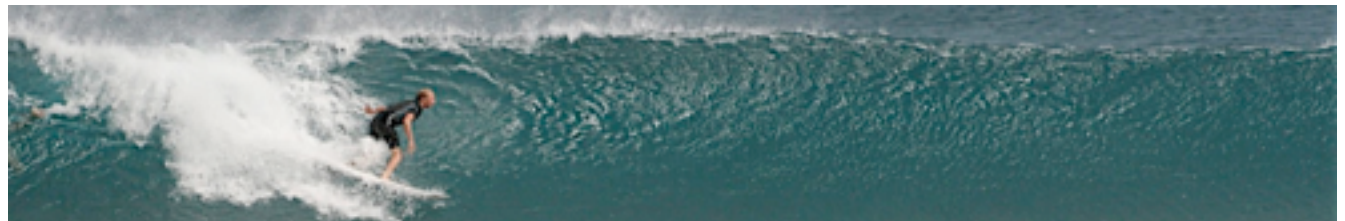
# Consistent Physical Modeling Tools to investigate degeneracies etc.

- LePhare+
- Cigale+



**HeDaM**

Herschel Database in Marseille



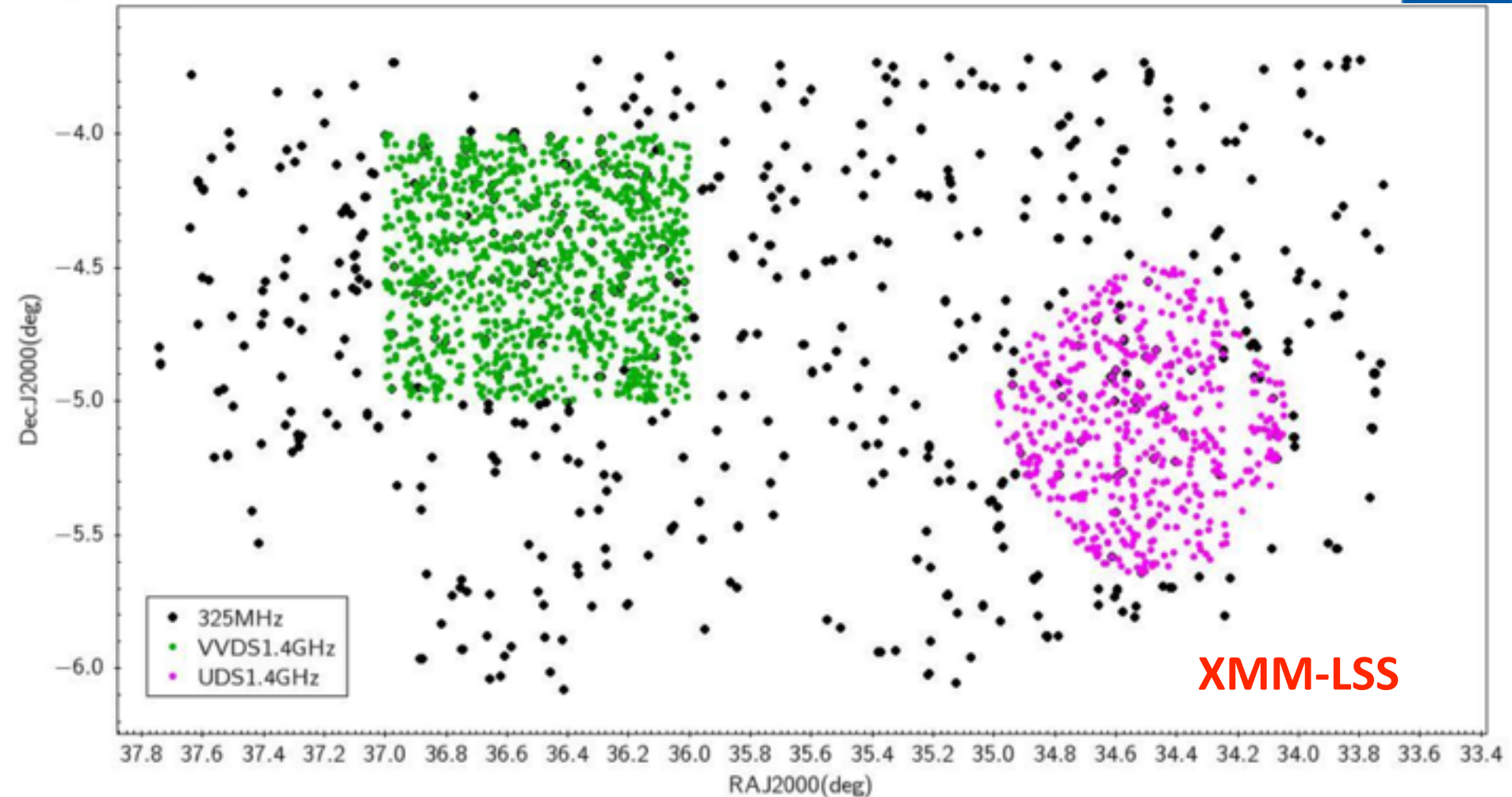




# Status



- Kick off meeting @ Sussex in April 2014
- **Phase 1 completed in April 2015** with Data Workshop @ LAM/Marseille
  - SPIRE & Ancillary Data (Catalogs & Maps) assembled
  - Defined regions to prioritize (**COSMOS, XMM-LSS, GAMA-15**)
  - Defined “challenges”, e.g. SPIRE prior & SED modeling challenges
  - Defined & Developed **multi-wavelength photometry methods**
  - Defined science goals and user requirements
- **Phase 2 now running until end of 2015**
  - End-to-End Data Reduction & SED Modeling on Data & Simulations
  - Complete challenges and define a first version of the HELP pipeline
- Phase 3 & Phase 4 (2016 & 2017) will refine and expand to other fields
  - **Lorentz Centre Meeting in April 2016 (inviting external participation)**



- Enable easy access to Multi-Wavelength Datasets
- Enable Timely Radio Survey Science Exploitation!

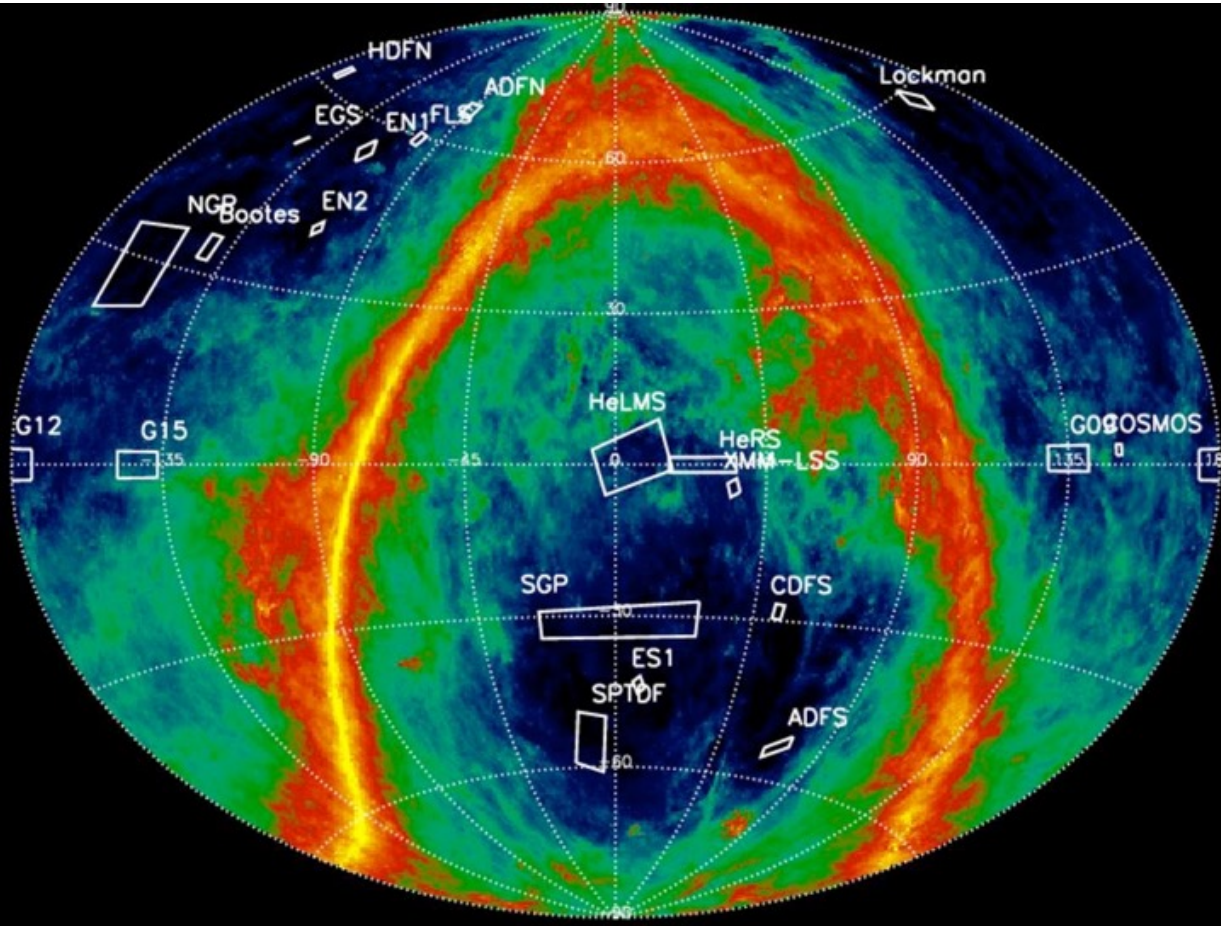


# Conclusion

- “Plug-and-play” multi- $\lambda$  surveys over 1000 deg<sup>2</sup>
- Open to data / science collaboration (talk to me!)
- Aims to lower barriers to statistical studies
- Enable easy access to and use of (Herschel) data
- “Value-added” data products ( $z$ , SFR,  $M_*$ ,  $M_{\text{dust}}$  ...)
- Easy comparison against galaxy formation models
- To provide a resource for astronomers to study the high- $z$  Universe not unlike SDSS at low- $z$
- Delivering on the promise of Continuum Surveys



# Thanks!



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