


The multiphase baryon cycle in galaxies and future prospects with the ELT

A large astronomical telescope, likely the Extremely Large Telescope (ELT), is shown on a mountain peak. The telescope's dome is partially open, revealing the internal structure. Two bright yellow laser beams are directed upwards from the telescope into the night sky, which is filled with stars. The landscape is a dark, arid mountain range under a clear night sky.

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Outflow driving mechanisms

1. **Starbursts:** 'Super winds' driven by (i) E_{kin} released by clustered SNe + stellar winds and/or (ii) momentum transferred by UV radiation to dusty clouds. Expect $dM_{\text{out}}/dt \sim \text{SFR}$

[Chevalier+Clegg85](#), [Heckman+90](#), [Veilleux+05](#), [Murray+05](#), [Dave+11](#)

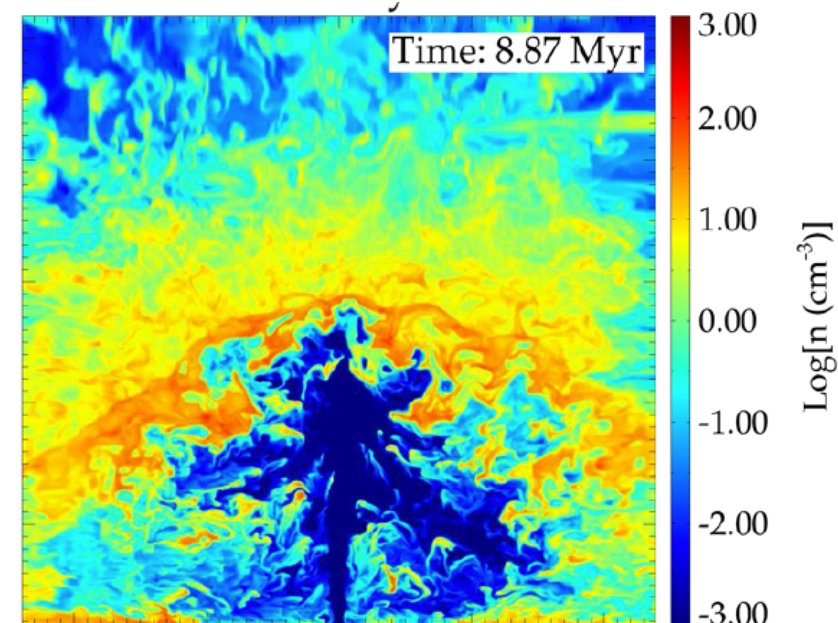
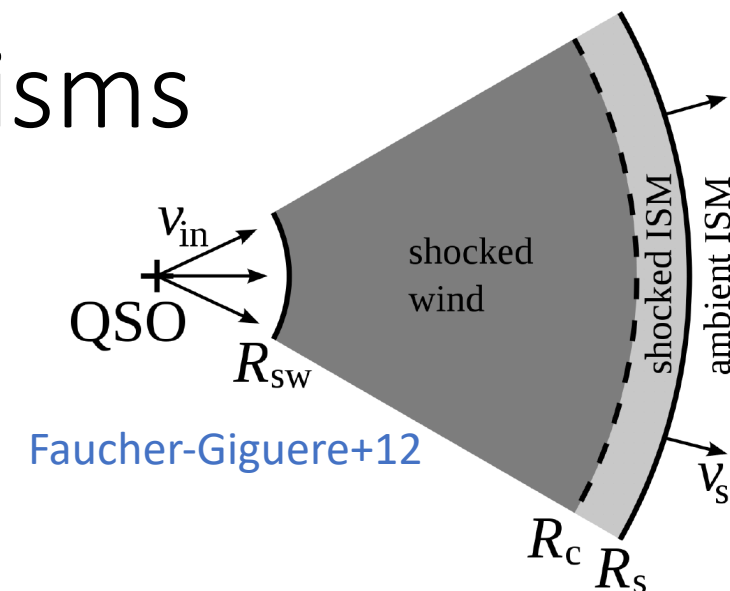
2. **AGN - Blast-wave:** nuclear winds with $v \sim 0.1c$ shock surrounding ISM and generate large-scale energy-conserving outflow. Expect: (i) presence of a X-ray wind; (ii) Kinetic power \sim a few % L_{AGN} ; momentum flux $> L_{\text{AGN}}/c$

[Silk+Rees98](#), [King2010](#), [Zubovas+King12,14](#), [Faucher-Giguere+12](#), [Costa+14,+15](#), [Nims+15](#)

3. **AGN - Radiation pressure on dusty clouds**, enhanced for $\tau_{\text{IR}} \gg 1$ and high L_{AGN} . Kinetic power depends on τ_{IR} and ISM geometry. $dE_{\text{kin,OF}}/dt < 1\% L_{\text{AGN}}$ and momentum fluxes $\sim 1-5 L_{\text{AGN}}/c$

[Fabian12](#), [Thompson+14](#), [Ishibashi+Fabian15](#), [Bieri+17](#), [Ishibashi+18](#), [Costa+18ab](#)

4. **AGN – jets:** Interaction between expanding jet and ISM generates outflows. Key parameters: (i) power/compactness of radio jet and (ii) clumpy ISM. *Not necessarily the classical 'radio loud' AGNs* [Wagner+Bicknell12](#), [Wagner+13](#), [Mukherjee+16](#)

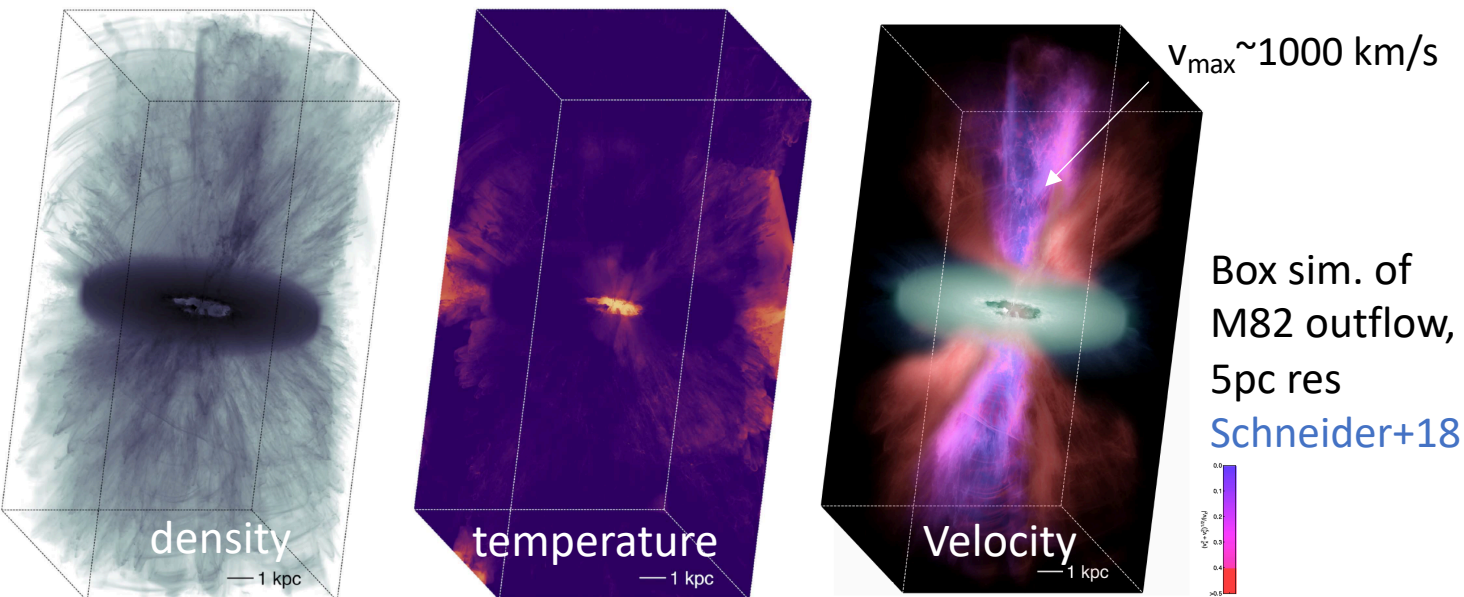
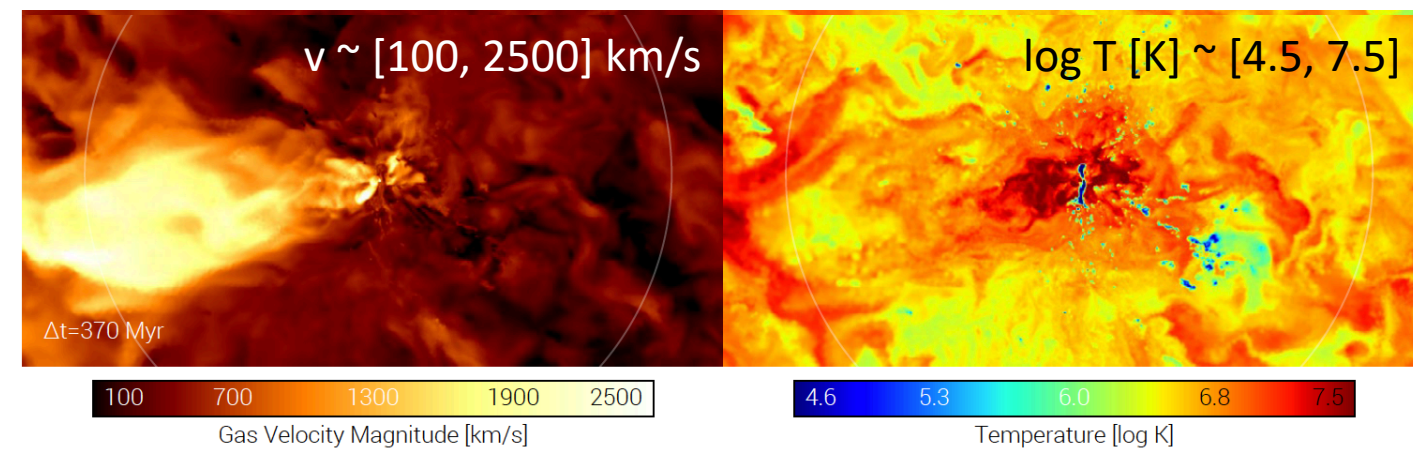


[Mukherjee+16](#)

All outflows are multi-phase and multi-scale

(Some 'observational' considerations here: [Cicone+18a](#))

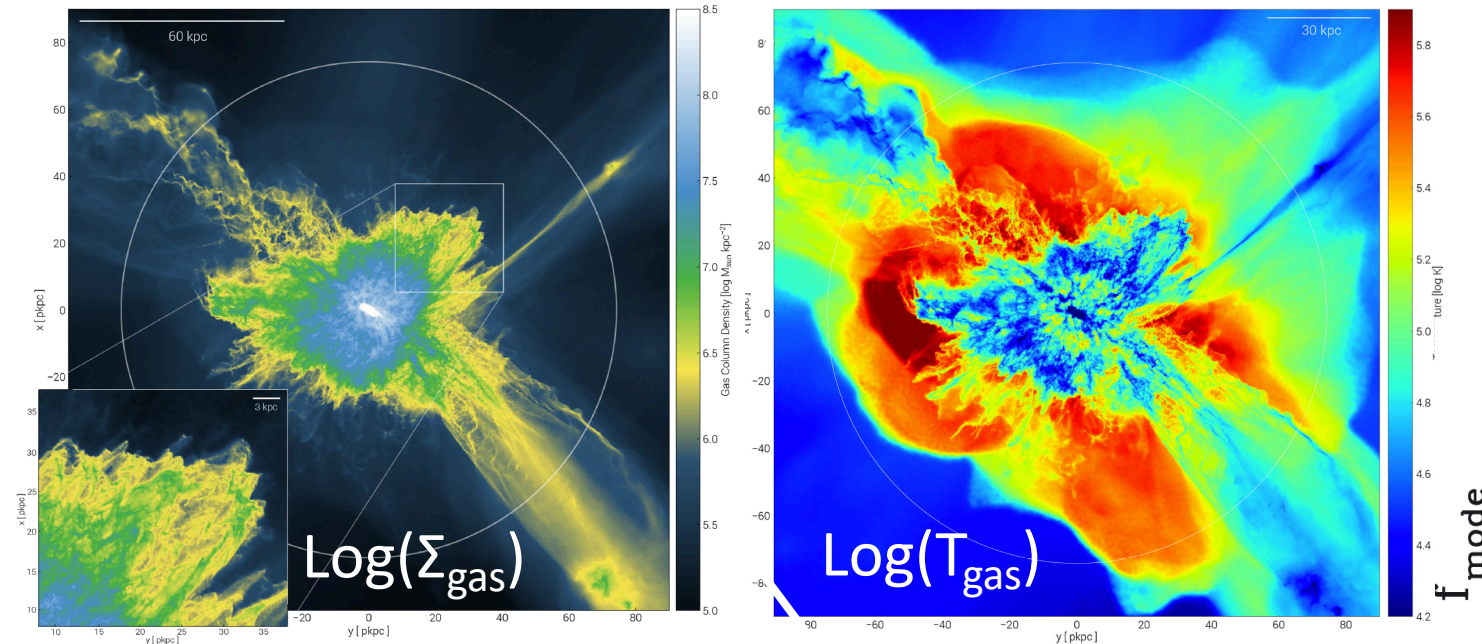
TNG50, res ~ 200 pc, cooling floor $T = 10^4$ K [Nelson+19](#), [Pillepich+19](#)



- **Multiphase:** Some (e.g. ULIRGs) entrain puzzlingly large amounts ($\gtrsim 10^{10} M_{\text{Sun}}$) of cold ($T \sim 10^{1-2}$ K) + dense ($n_{\text{H}_2} \sim 10^{3-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}$) H_2 gas. Simulations need to resolve pc scales to capture gas cooling and hydro instabilities [Zubovas+King14](#), [Costa+15](#), [Brüggen+Scannapieco16](#), [Richings+18](#), [Gronke+Oh18](#), [Armillotta+17](#), [Decataldo+17,19](#)
- **Geometry:** not all outflows look like M82's. At high-z even more complex, less collimated morphologies [Nelson+19](#)
- *We struggle to understand the “simplest” outflows in local starbursts, let alone the much less observationally constrained high-z outflows (higher SFR and L_{AGN} , higher f_{gas} , more mergers, lower spatial resolution, lower sensitivity, lower statistics)*

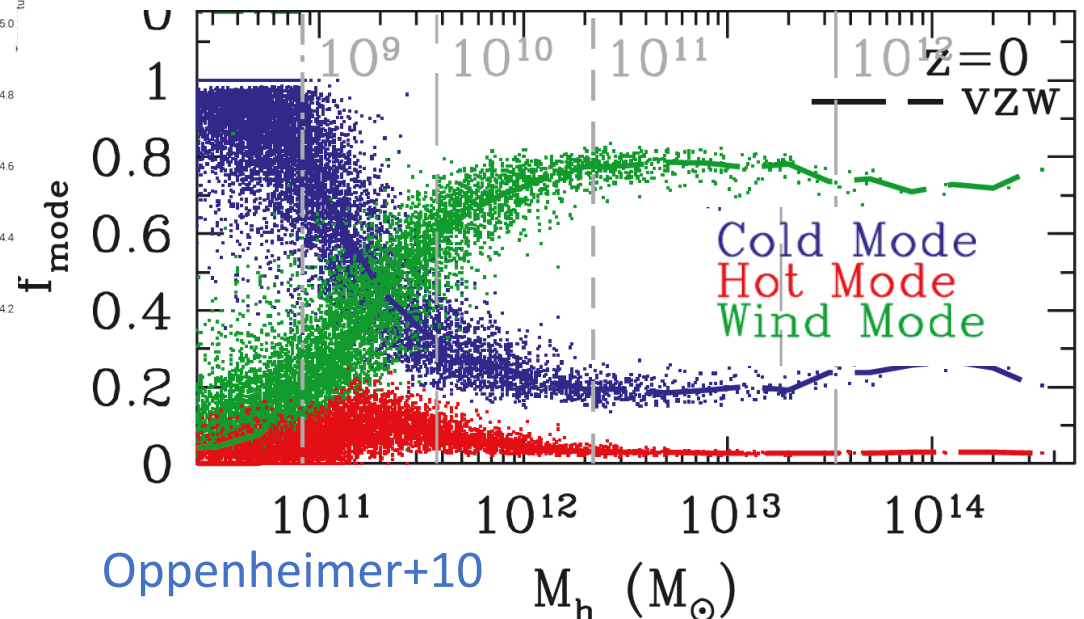
Outflows feed the CGM and the CGM feeds galaxy growth: leading role in quenching *and* accretion

‘CGM-zoom’ simulation with AREPO, 95 pc res



- “CGM-zoom” simulations show 3/4 of cold CGM at $z=2$ is due to rapid cooling out of outflow material (dominates up to $> 0.5 R_{\text{vir}}$), only 25% due to cosmic inflows and satellite stripping [Suresh+19](#)

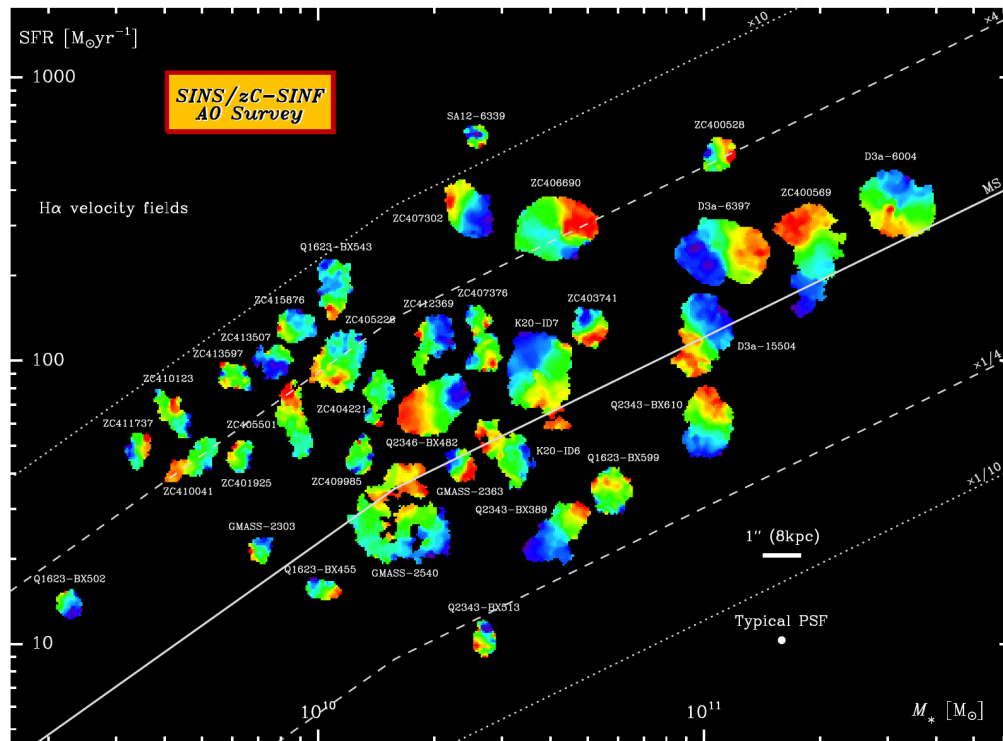
- A substantial fraction of star formation fed by CGM-recycled gas once entrained in outflows (from central and satellite galaxies). Outflows store multiphase gas and metals in CGM for ~ 1 Gyr [Ford+14](#), [Hafen+19](#), [Christensen+18](#)



1. Identify outflows, spatially resolve geometry and launching base

Identifying high-z outflows that are less extended than the (more luminous) ‘quiescent’ ISM

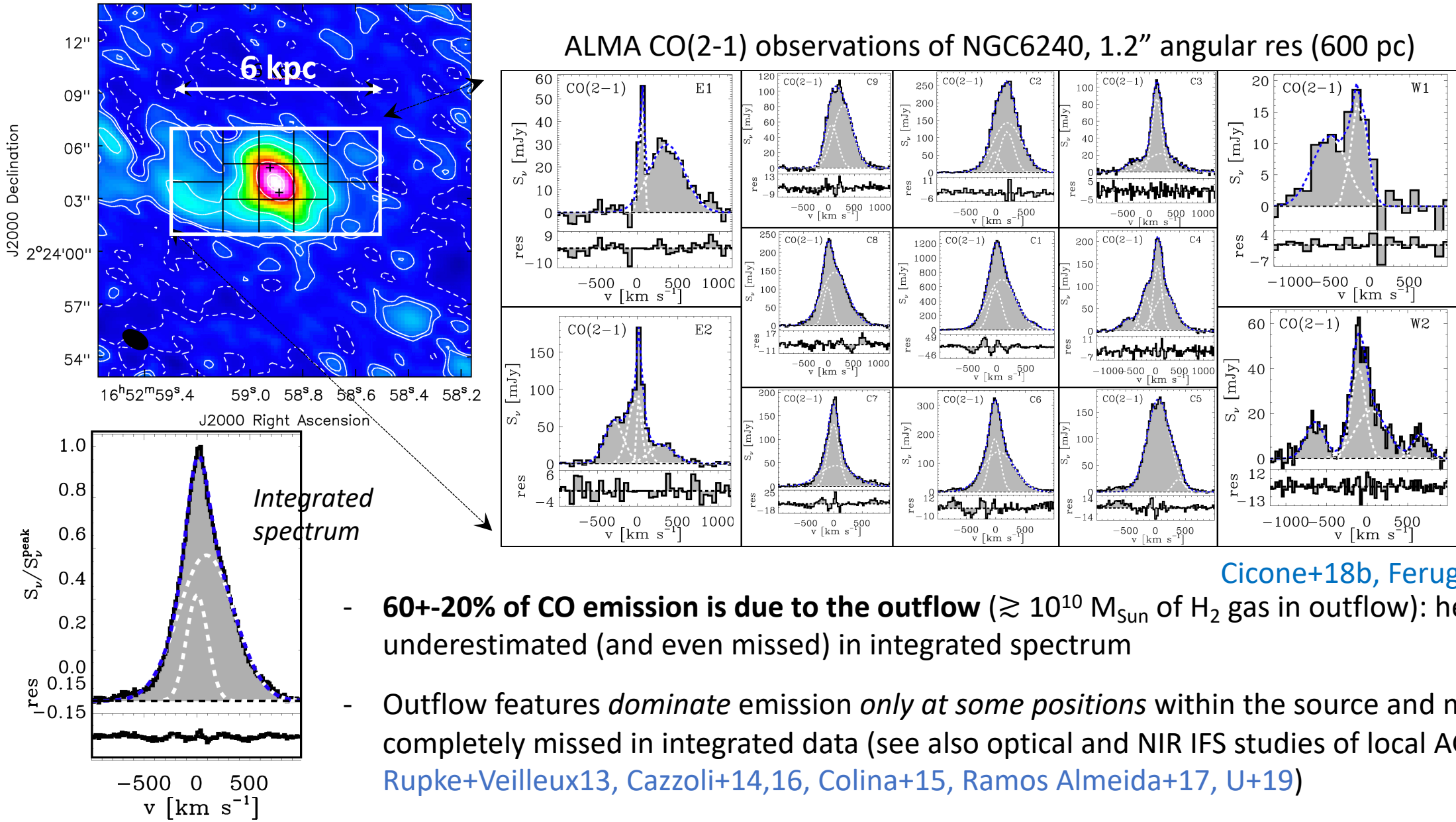
Forster-Schreiber+18



H α velocity gradients of high-z SF galaxies tracing disks (or mergers disguised as disks, e.g. [Simon+19](#)). In AGNs need to account for nuclear BLR and beam smearing (e.g. [Carniani+15](#), [Harrison+16](#))

- Most high-z ionized outflows extend by <1-2 kpc
[Newman+12](#), [Carniani+15](#), [Forster-Schreiber+18](#), [Kakkad+19](#)
- Even with ~20h on source + AO assisted data, limited S/N and res of current facilities (*best res* [Davies+19](#) $SINFONI-AO = FWHM_{PSF} = 0.15'' = 1.4 \text{ kpc at } z=2$) imply outflow analyses have to rely on many assumptions and stacking -> energetics very uncertain
 - *ELT diffraction-limited PSF core in NIR* ($2 \mu\text{m}$) $\gtrsim 0.010'' \rightarrow \gtrsim 90 \text{ pc at } z=2$
 - *ELT diffraction-limited PSF core in MIR* ($10 \mu\text{m}$) $\gtrsim 0.060'' \rightarrow \gtrsim 550 \text{ pc at } z=2$

Impact of S/N and res on outflow identification

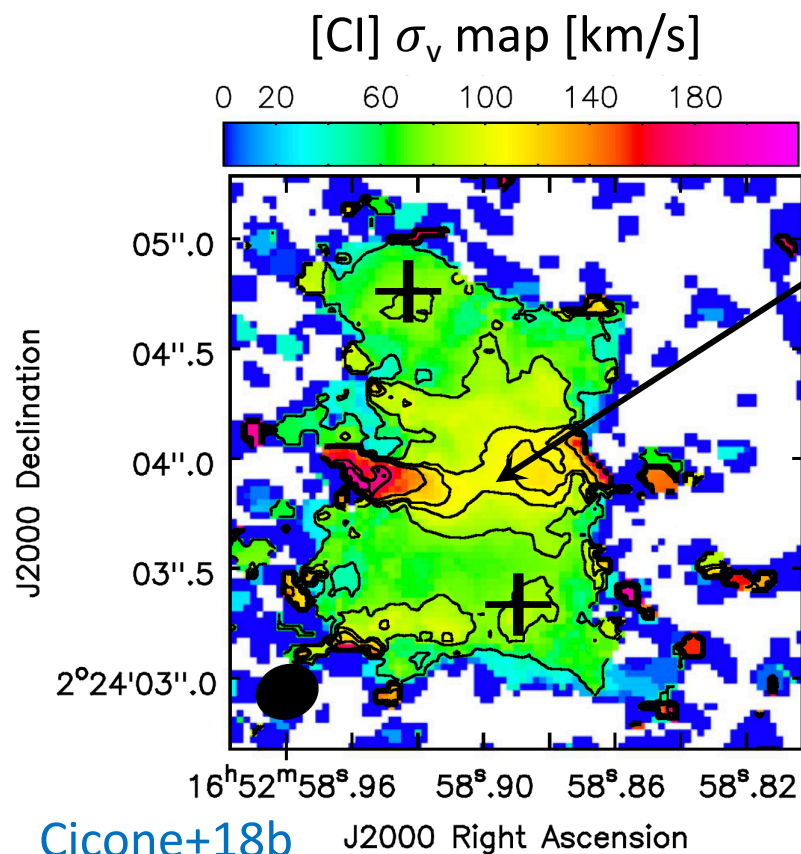


*ELT can achieve
similar spatial
res at z=2 in
MIR lines
(warm H₂)*

Cicone+18b, Feruglio+13

- **60+-20% of CO emission is due to the outflow** ($\gtrsim 10^{10} M_{\text{Sun}}$ of H₂ gas in outflow): heavily underestimated (and even missed) in integrated spectrum
- Outflow features *dominate* emission *only at some positions* within the source and may be completely missed in integrated data (see also optical and NIR IFS studies of local AGN/ULIRGs: [Rupke+Veilleux13](#), [Cazzoli+14,16](#), [Colina+15](#), [Ramos Almeida+17](#), [U+19](#))

Resolving base of the outflow to identify driving mechanism(s)



'hourglass' feature =
launching base of
outflow between the
two quasars

Geometry suggests link
with merger stage

Global energetics
suggests AGN-driving

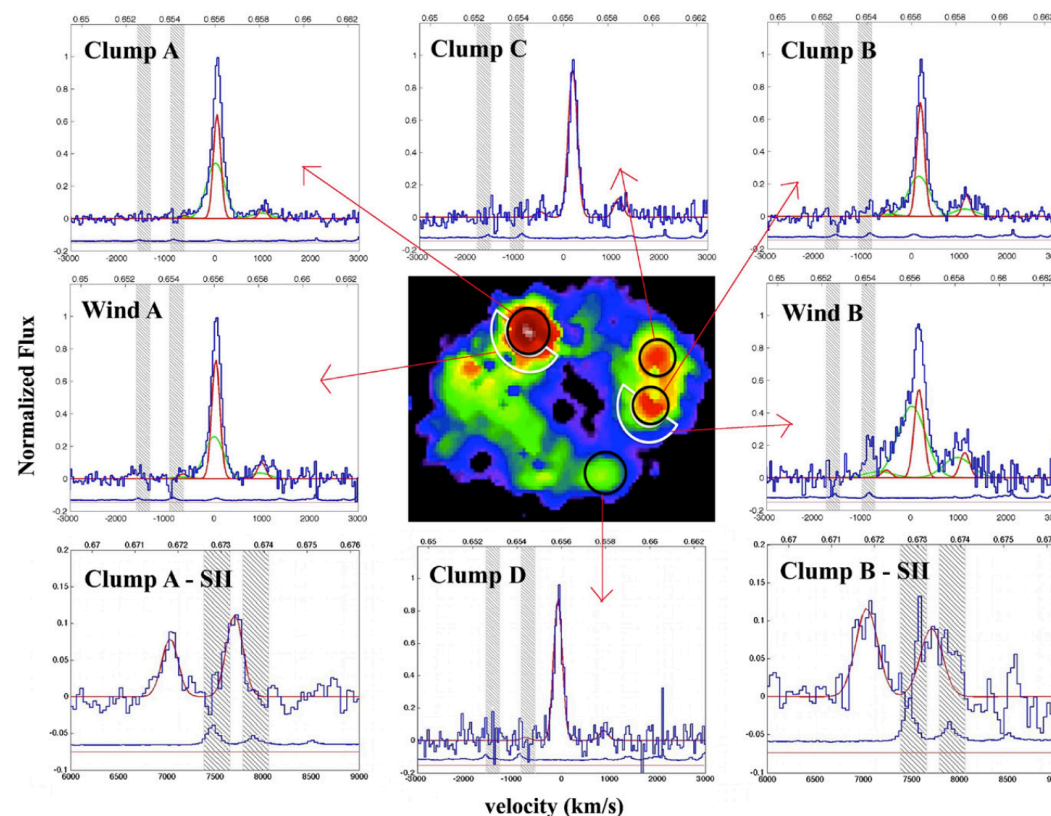
ALMA [CI] 609.14 μm data of NGC6240 ($z=0.024$)

Res $\sim 0.24'' = 120$ pc

ELT can achieve similar spatial res at $z=2$ in NIR

Newman+12

SINFONI 10h, res ~ 1.85 kpc



In this massive $z\sim 2$ SF galaxy, H α outflows
launched from regions offset from the nucleus

Identification of buried outflows through mid-IR fine structure lines ([NeII], [NeIII])

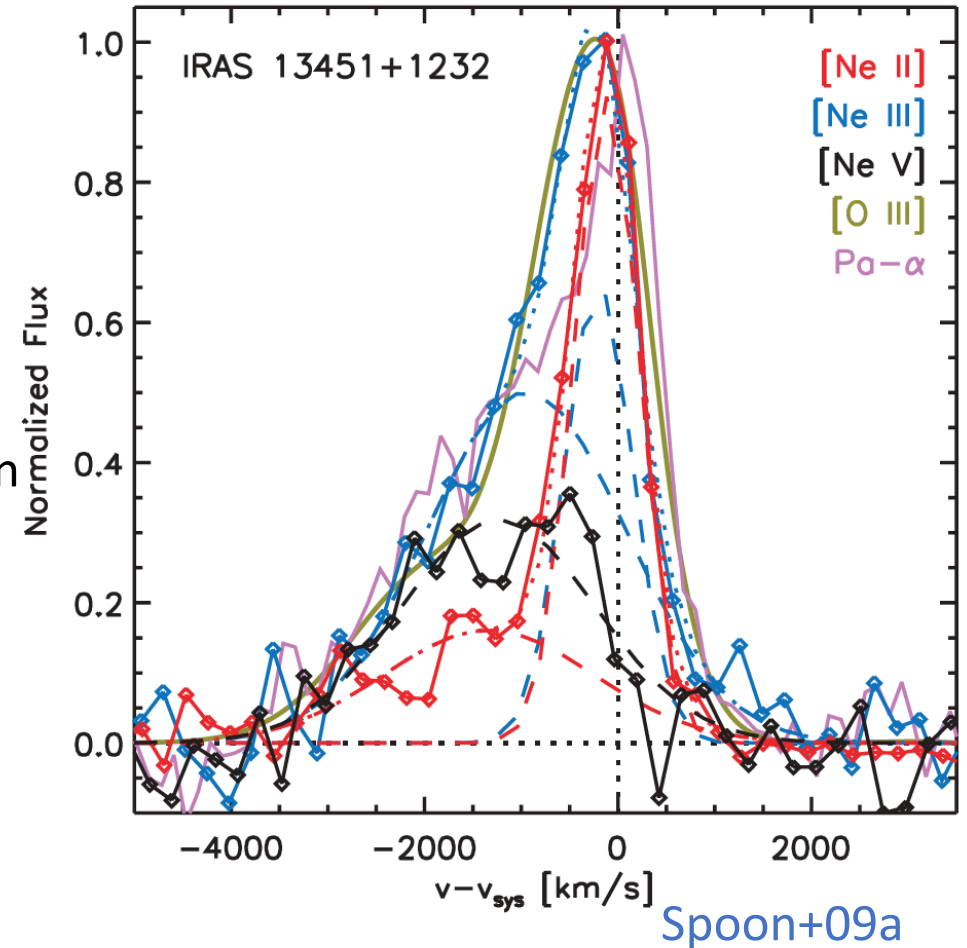
- Local ULIRGs: [NeII] and [NeIII] show strongest wings. When detected, [NeV] totally dominated by broad component and identifies AGN-driven outflows [Spoon+Holt09](#), [Spoon+09](#)
- Dust-penetrating power of mid-IR spectroscopy (e.g. [Inami+13](#)) makes these lines best tracers of ***buried outflows*** and ***dust-enshrouded launching regions***
- Global mid-IR line ratios can be used as ***shock tracers*** and can easily identify outflow-dominated sources (e.g. NGC6240)

ELT: Mid-IR Neon fine structure lines at $z \sim 0 - 0.5$

[NeII] $12.81\mu\text{m}$ (in METIS $\lambda=3-19\mu\text{m}$ range up to $z \sim 0.5$)

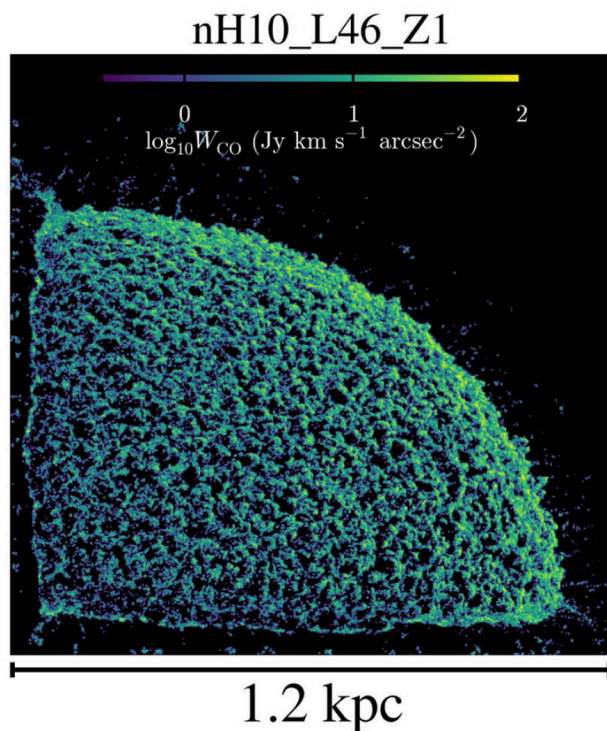
[NeIII] $15.56\mu\text{m}$

[NeV] $14.32\mu\text{m}$



2. Study gas cooling within multiphase outflows through IR H₂ lines

Excess mid-IR H₂/PAH in ULIRGs and outflows

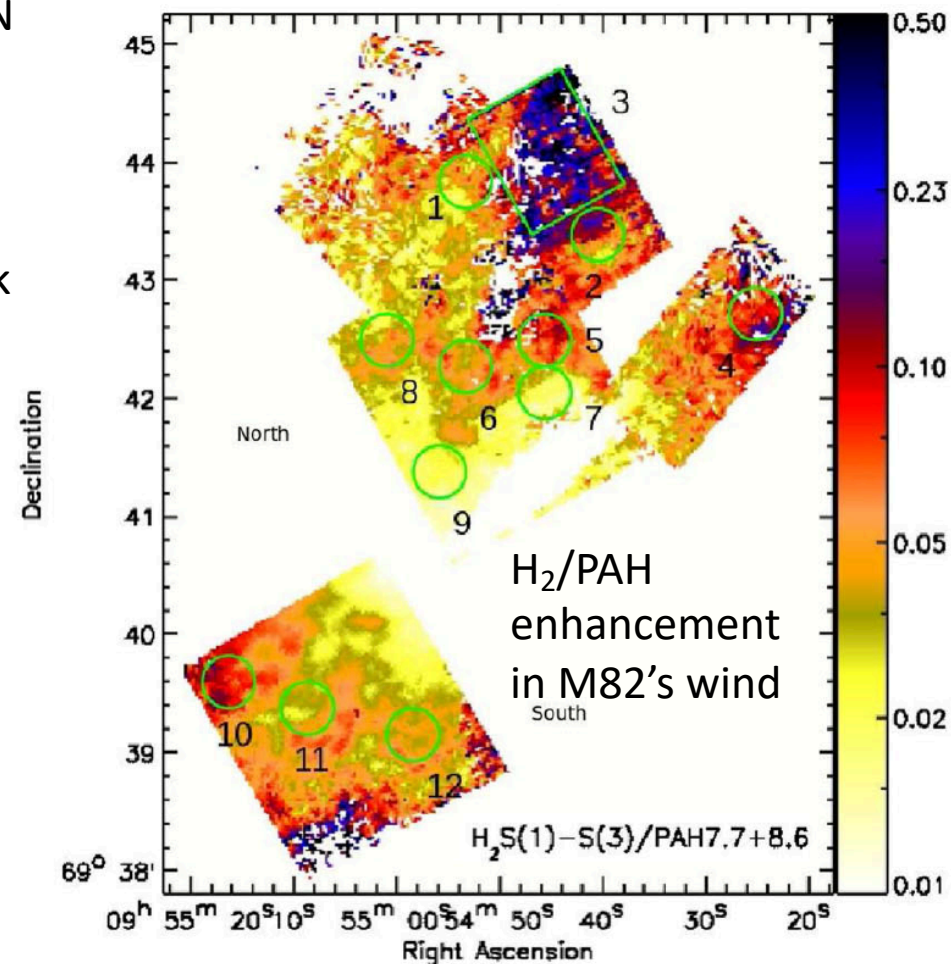


- Strong mid-IR H₂ lines expected from cooling of post-shock ISM swept by AGN winds. Most of H₂ outflow in this phase ($T \sim \text{few } 100 \text{ K}$) [Richings+18a](#)
- ULIRGs show enhanced mid-IR H₂/PAH emission (by x 3), correlating with shock tracers ([Hill+Zakamska14](#), [Inami+13](#)) and with broader lines ([Petric+18](#))
- At $z \sim 0$, ELT (METIS) mid-IR H₂ emission down to $< 100 \text{ pc}$ res
- At higher z : H₂ S(3) $9.66 \mu\text{m}$ up to $z \sim 1$ ($\sim 800 \text{ pc}$ res at $z=1$)

- NIR H₂ lines ($T_{\text{gas}} \sim 1000 \text{ K}$) entrain little H₂ mass but probe innermost regions [Rupke+Veilleux13b](#), [Emonts+17](#), [Dasyra+Combes11](#)

ELT HARMONI \rightarrow NIR H₂ emission down to $< 10 \text{ pc}$ at $z=0$ (AGN 'torus')

ELT METIS \rightarrow NIR H₂ (S(0) $2.22 \mu\text{m}$, S(1) $2.12 \mu\text{m}$) up to $z > 7$ (res $\sim 500 \text{ pc}$)

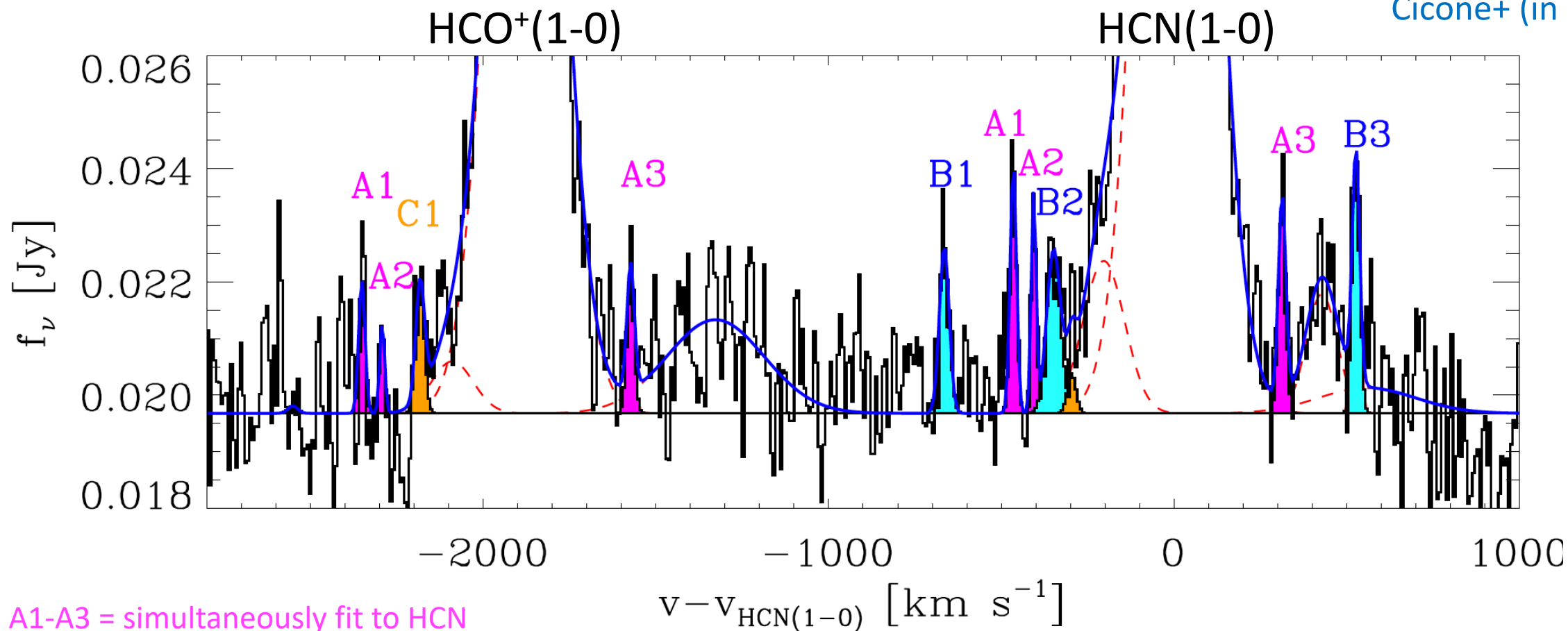


[Beirao+15](#)

3. Star forming complexes (GMCs) and
HII regions within outflows

Massive dense clumps in Mrk231's outflow

Cicone+ (in prep)



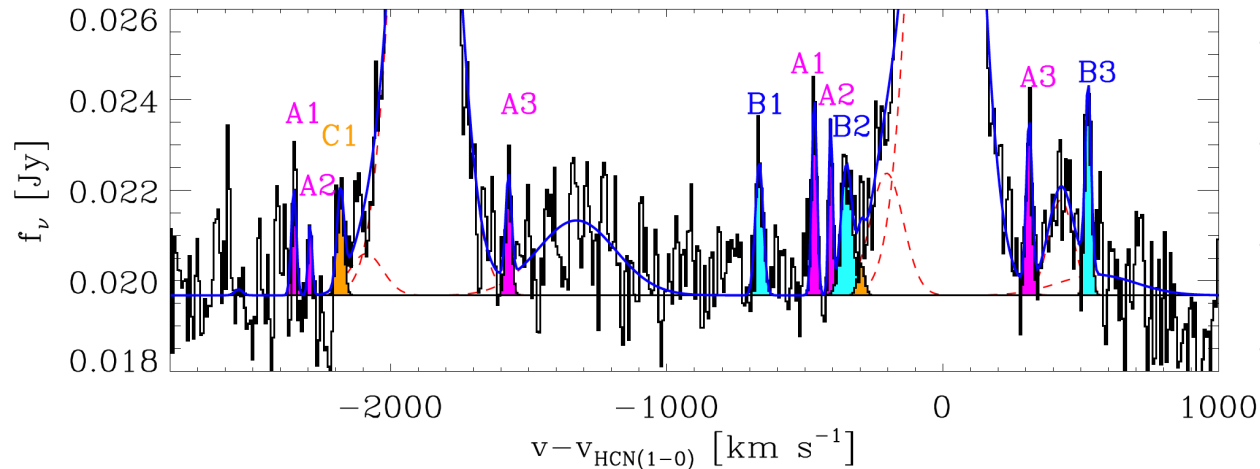
A1-A3 = simultaneously fit to HCN
and HCO^+ (same σ_v and v)

B1-B3 = detected only in HCN

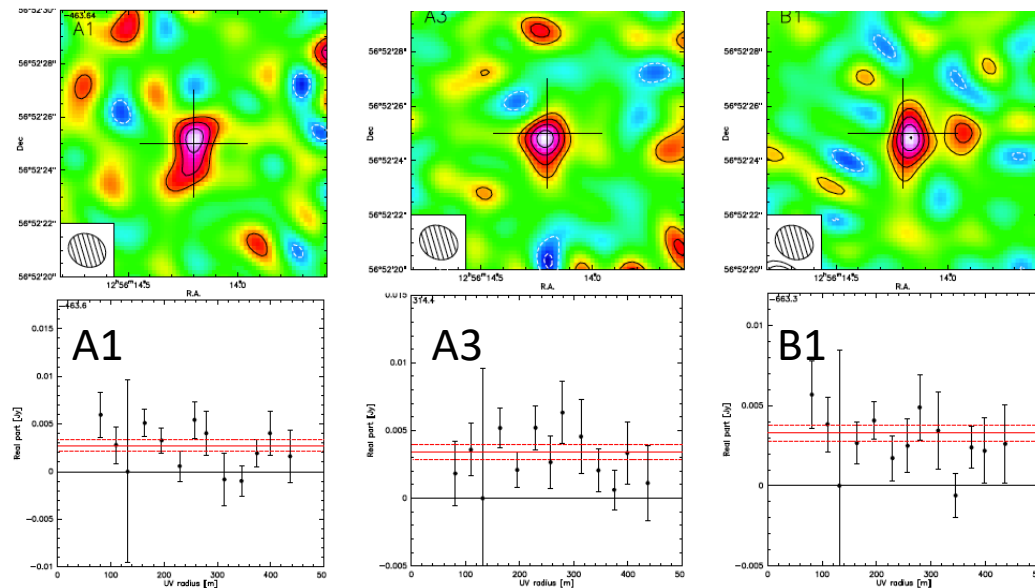
C1 = detected only in HCO^+

- Mrk231's molecular outflow detected also in 'dense' gas tracers (HCN, HCO^+ , CN, e.g. [Aalto+12,15,Lindberg+16](#))
- At high spectral res, HCN and HCO^+ wings break down into individual resolved 'clumps' (while CO wings remain smooth down to $dv \sim 5 \text{ km/s}$ res)

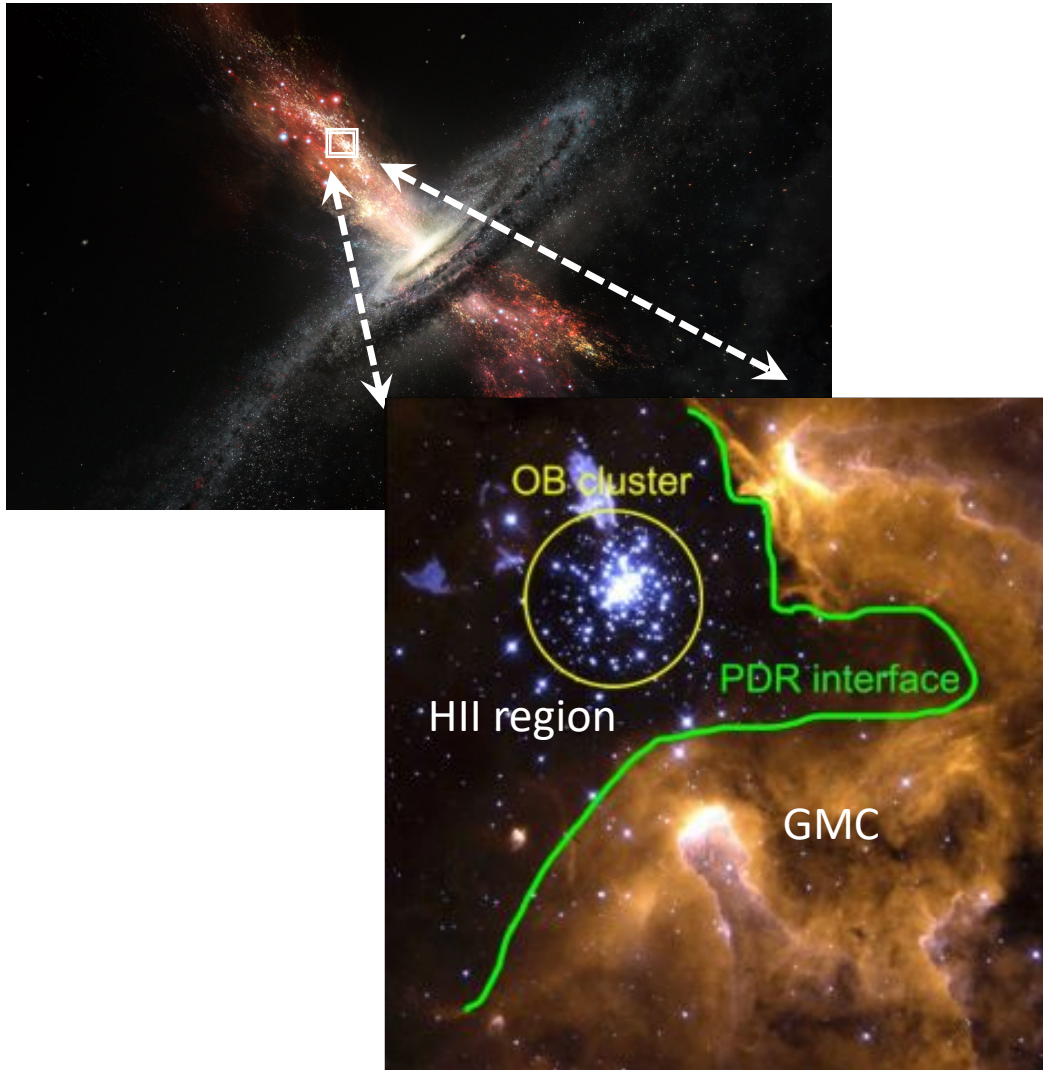
Clumps in Mrk231's outflow: some numbers



- S/N of HCN clumps ~ 4 -5 (spectral fit)
- Unresolved at the ~ 1 kpc res of the data
- $\sigma_v = 7$ -11 km/s
- $M_{\text{clumps}} \sim 5 \times 10^7 M_{\text{Sun}}$ for $\alpha_{\text{HCN}} \sim 3 M_{\text{Sun}} [\text{K km s}^{-1} \text{pc}^2]^{-1}$ (Garcia-Burillo+12). Comparable to highest GMC masses at M83 centre (Freeman+17) \rightarrow more massive and turbulent GMCs expected in denser environments
- $M_{\text{clumps}} \sim 4 \times 10^8 M_{\text{Sun}}$ for $\alpha_{\text{HCN}} \sim 24$ (estimated by Leroy+15 for GMCs in NGC253): these masses would correspond to more complex structures than individual GMCs



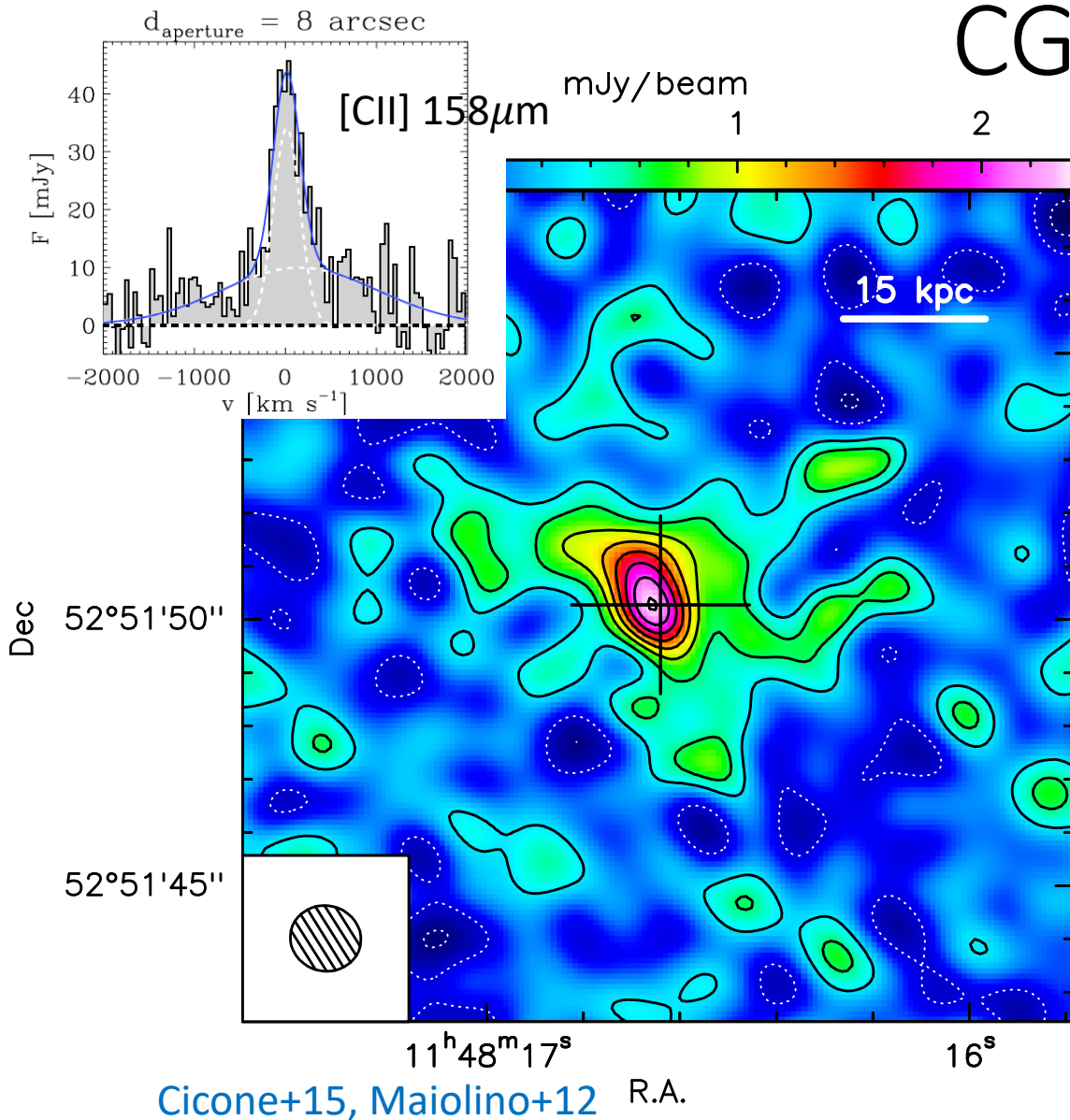
ELT can resolve PDR envelopes of GMCs and HII regions inside outflows



- ALMA can detect dense H_2 gas complexes inside outflows (GMCs) but not unambiguous signature of ongoing star formation (e.g. [Maiolino+17](#), [Gallagher+19](#))
- Enhancement of CN in Mrk231's outflow indicates strong UV fields -> look for photon- dominated regions (PDRs) inside outflows
- Larger σ_v and M_{H_2} of HCN clumps in Mrk231: much more massive (and likely bigger) than Milky Way's GMCs: structures of ~ 100 s pc could be resolved by ELT at $z > 1$
- In local ULIRGs the ELT may image compact continuum sources like super stellar clusters embedded in outflows
- At $z \sim 0$ ELT NIR < 10 pc res
- At $z > 1$ ELT NIR < 100 pc res

4. The $z > 6$ CGM

Emission line observations of multiphase CGM at $z > 6$



- Deep mm observations of $z=6.4$ quasar reveal $[CII]158\mu\text{m}$ 'halo' with $r=30 \text{ kpc}$ (\gg ISM scales)
- Part of $[CII]$ traces the most extended highest- v cold outflow ever detected ($R \sim 30 \text{ kpc}$, $\sigma_v \sim 500 \text{ km/s}$, $v_{\text{max}} \sim 2000 \text{ km/s}$)
- Not just the 'outflowing' $[CII]$ is extended: only 30% of narrow $[CII]$ is in kpc-scale ISM, 70% is in CGM
- Hence (i) $z > 6$ CGM is multiphase and includes neutral $\text{HI} + \text{H}_2$ gas, (ii) we can study these high density regions with the ELT in $\text{Ly}\alpha$ emission (see ubiquitous $\text{Ly}\alpha$ nebulae at $z=2-3$: [Cantalupo+14](#), [Hennawi+15](#), [Borisova+16](#), [Wisotzki+18](#), [Arrigoni Battaia+19](#), [Marino+19](#))

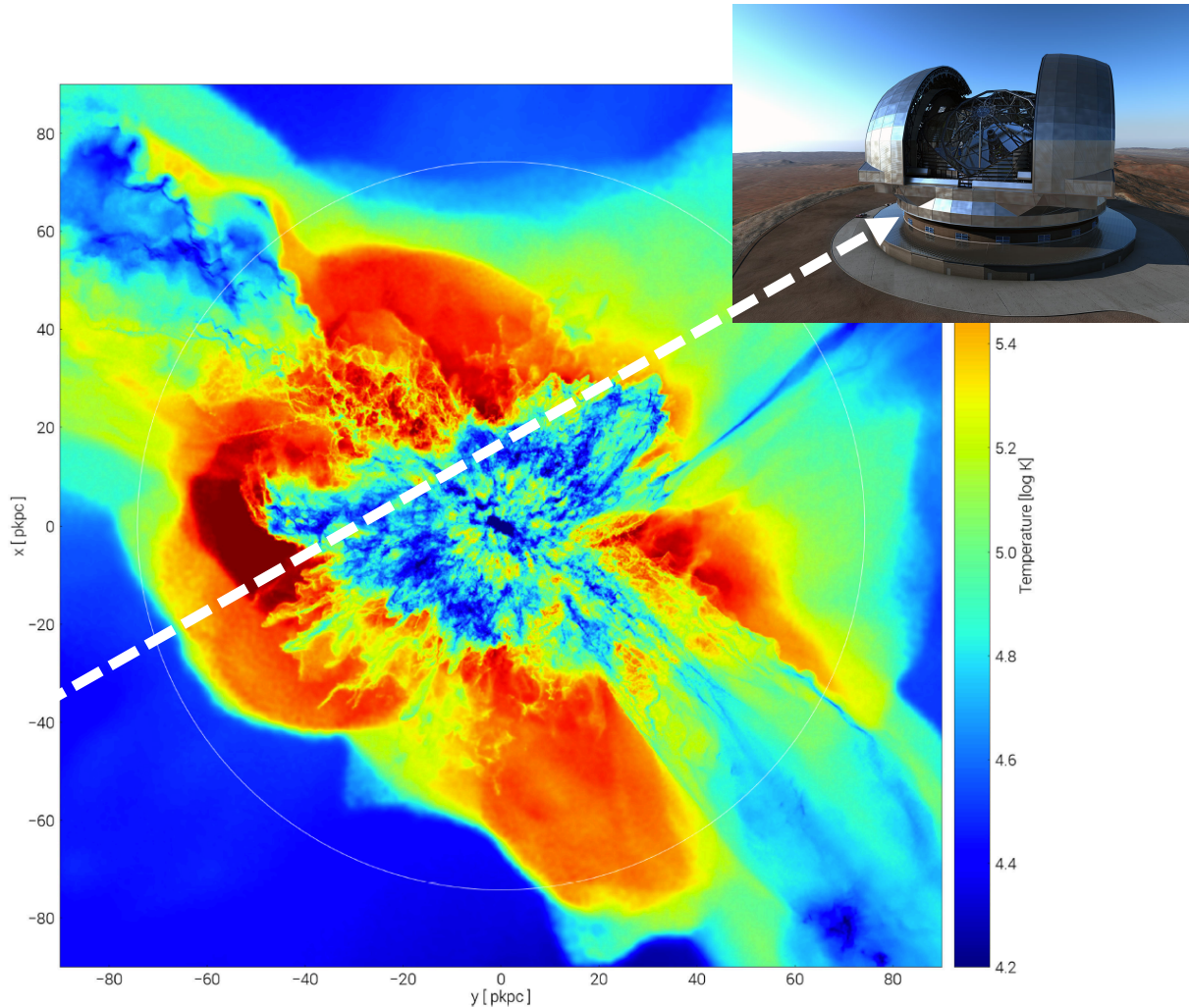
The ELT can resolve $<100 \text{ pc}$ CGM structures traced by $\text{Ly}\alpha$ at $z > 6$

HARMONI IFS (max FoV $\sim 10'' \sim 50 \text{ kpc}$ at $z > 6$)

MICADO $\text{Ly}\alpha$ narrow band imaging at $z > 6$

MOSAIC (8-10 IFUs) for a wider FoV and more objects

Absorption line observations of multiphase CGM/IGM at $z > 6$



- **ELT HIRES** will detect CGM and IGM in absorption around more 'normal' sources thanks to much higher sensitivity and spectral resolution
- Different ions trace different CGM phases (and with different origin, e.g. [Ford+14](#))
- OI 1302Å is a promising tracer of $z > 6$ CGM: EW (OI) decreases from $z=3$ to $z=5$ (due to metallicity), then increases at $z > 5$. Cannot be due to more metals but must be due to more gas in this phase traced by OI ([Becker+12](#)).
- **OI 1302Å redshifted to NIR $1.04\mu\text{m}$ at $z > 7$, "OI forest" $\sim 1.5\mu\text{m}$ at $z=10$**

Summarising, the ELT will be key to:

1. Identify outflows, study geometry and launching base:

- Outflows can remain hidden in unresolved data (most high- z outflow have sizes $\lesssim 1\text{-}2$ kpc)
- Most buried regions undetectable in optical/NIR tracers, require mid-IR lines
- Without geometry we have to rely on too many assumptions to get energetics right
- Launching regions inform us about driving mechanisms

2. Study gas cooling within the multiphase outflows:

- Models suggest mid-IR H_2 lines trace large masses of post-shock gas cooling out of outflows
- IR H_2 /PAH enhancement observed in local (U)LIRGs hosting powerful outflows
- NIR H_2 lines trace little H_2 mass but can probe innermost regions

3. Resolve star forming complexes within outflows: the ELT may resolve PDR envelopes and HII regions within outflows

4. Investigate the $z>6$ CGM:

- Outflows in the early universe shaped multiphase CGM (= main reservoir for later accretion)
- CGM at $z>6$ entrains metal-enriched neutral (HI and H_2) gas
- The ELT can study the 'normal' $z>6$ CGM in emission ($\text{Ly}\alpha$) and absorption (OI, CIV, MgII etc)