

# Dust studies in Herschel Cold Cores fields

- *Dust Opacity*
- *Dust Spectral Index*
- *Modelling Clump Structure*
- *Estimating Extinction*

# Paper V: **Dust Opacity**

- to determine the value of dust opacity
  - in reality, the submillimetre opacity in relation to near-infrared extinction
- to compare the values in the different regions
- to examine variations within the fields, as function of column density

## **Galactic cold cores V. Dust opacity** ★ ★★

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$$\tau(250\mu\text{m}) = \frac{I_\nu(250\mu\text{m})}{B_\nu(T)}$$

## Dust optical depth $\tau(250\mu\text{m})$

- mod. black body fits 100-500 $\mu\text{m}$ , 250-500 $\mu\text{m}$ 
  - SPIRE provides significantly larger area
  - shorter wavelengths give better constraints of temperature
  - spectral index fixed to a value of  $\beta=2.0$ 
    - higher than values  $\sim 1.8$  found in diffuse medium,  $\sim 30\%$  effect on  $\kappa$

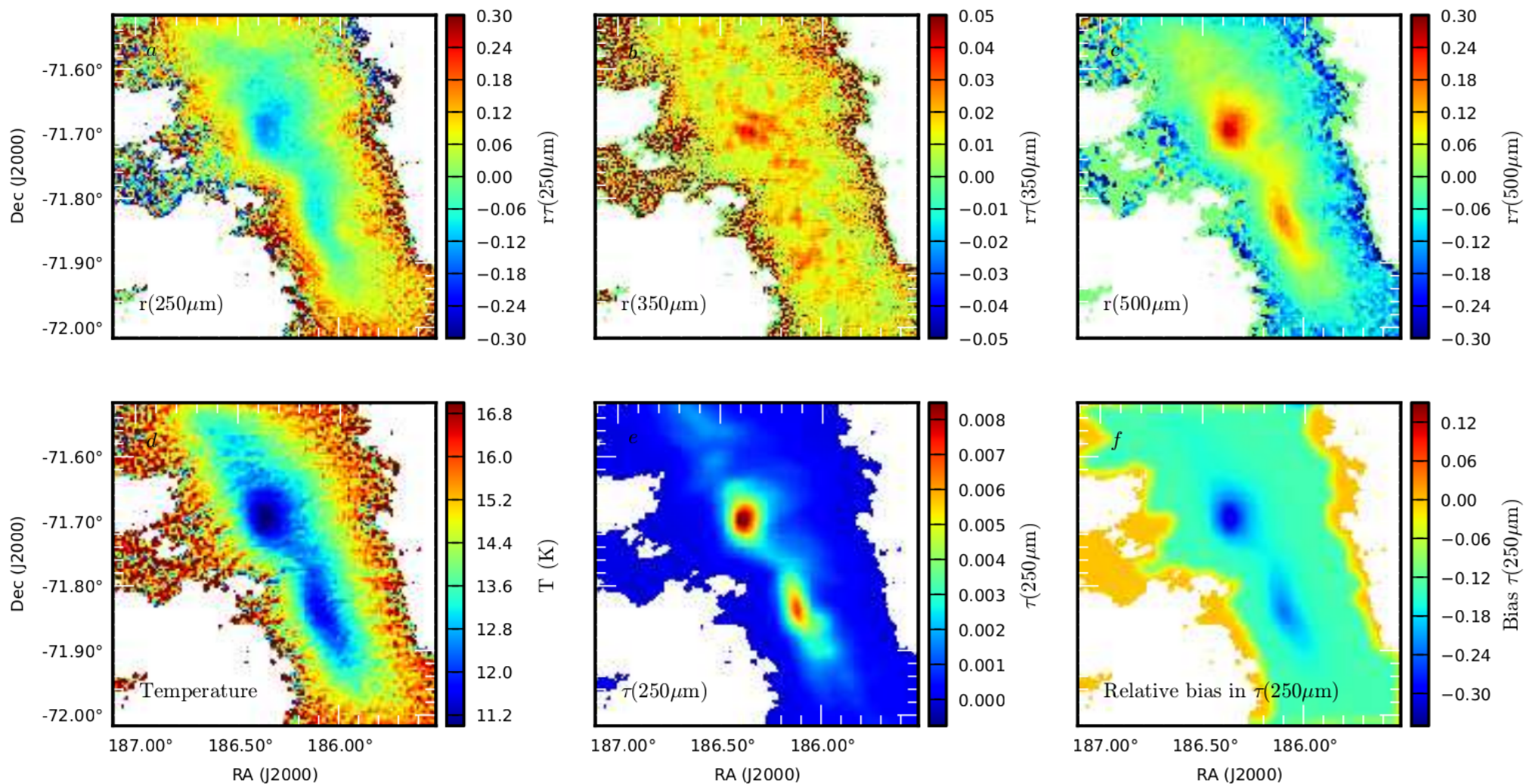
## Near-infrared optical depth $\tau_J$

- using the reddening of the background stars
  - NICER: combining J-H and H-K data, comparing with the average colours in a reference area
    - 2MASS survey data, J, H and K bands (1.25-2.2 $\mu$ m)
    - number of stars  $\rightarrow$  2'-3' resolution for nearby fields, nothing for the most distant ones
  - extinction curve is relatively robust

# Bias in $\tau(250\mu\text{m})$

- line-of-sight temperature variations
  - colour temperature  $>$  mass-averaged T
  - $\tau$  underestimated
- correct using modelling
  - 3D cloud model matched with the maps
  - analyse the synthetic surface brightness, compare with the known column density of the model
- uncertainties
  - radiation field anisotropy
  - line-of-sight density structure
  - ratio between submm and NIR dust opacity

# Musca filament



Upper row: residual maps for the fits to three SPIRE bands  
Lower row: synthetic  $T_c$  and maps and the relative bias

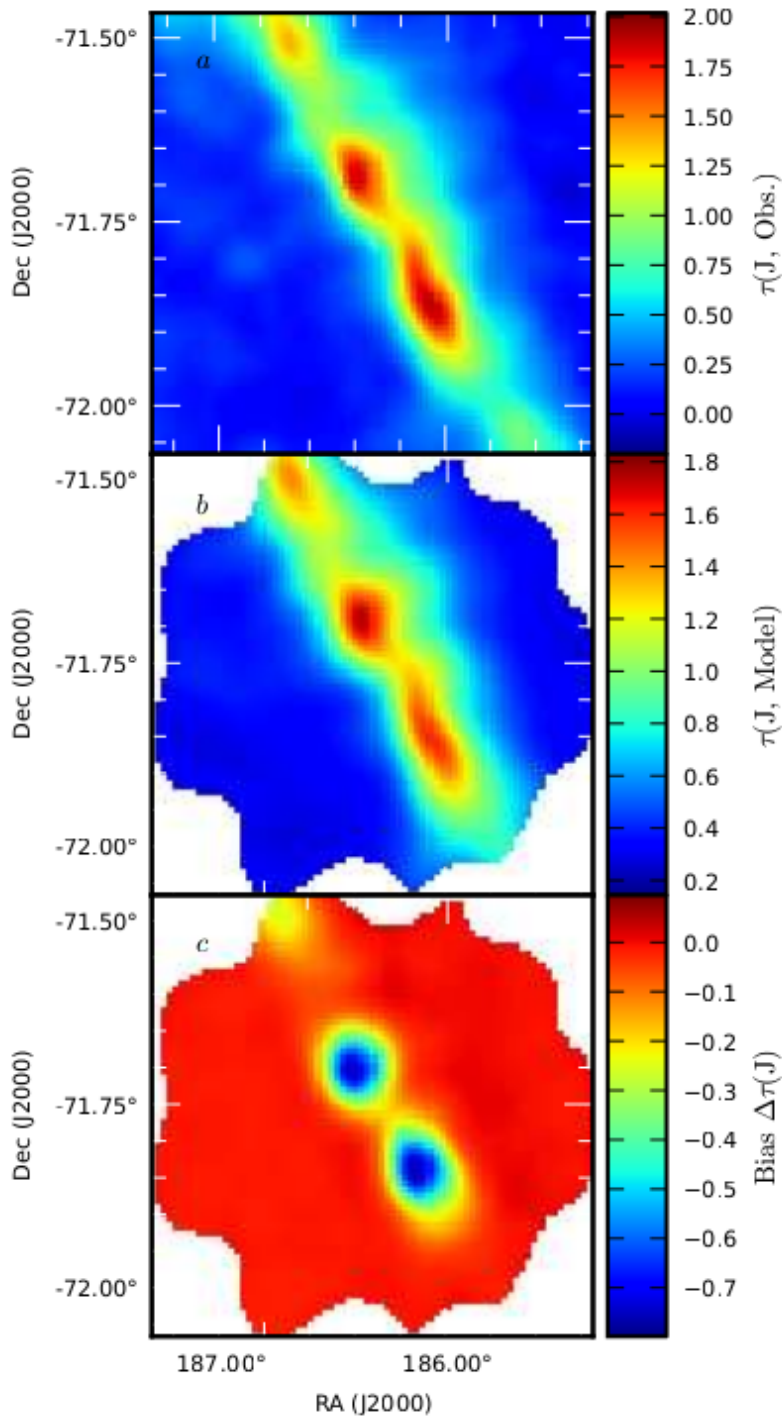
# Bias in $\tau(J)$

- two problems

- stellar density decreases with column density
  - extinction underestimated, depends on gradients
- for distant fields foreground stars can be a problem

- correct using simulations

- $\tau$  maps from Herschel (18"), simulate different realisations of background stars
- foreground stars deduced based on Besancon model
- other statistics derived from a reference region



Input map of NIR opacity,  
based on Herschel data

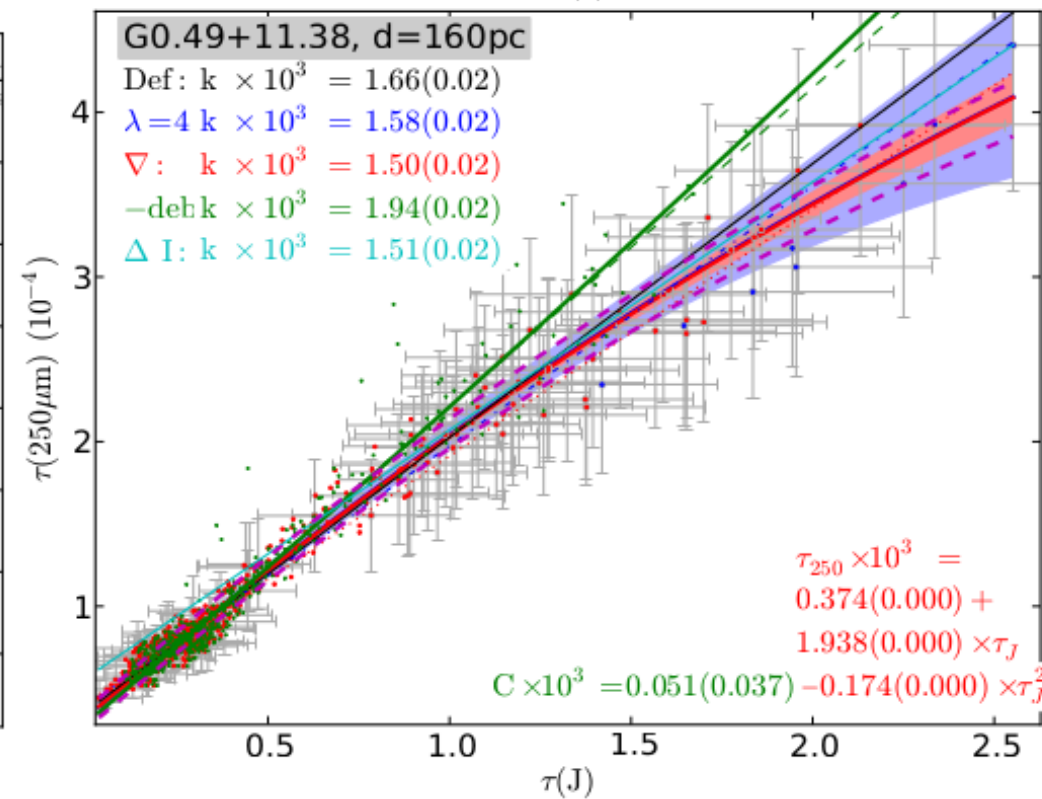
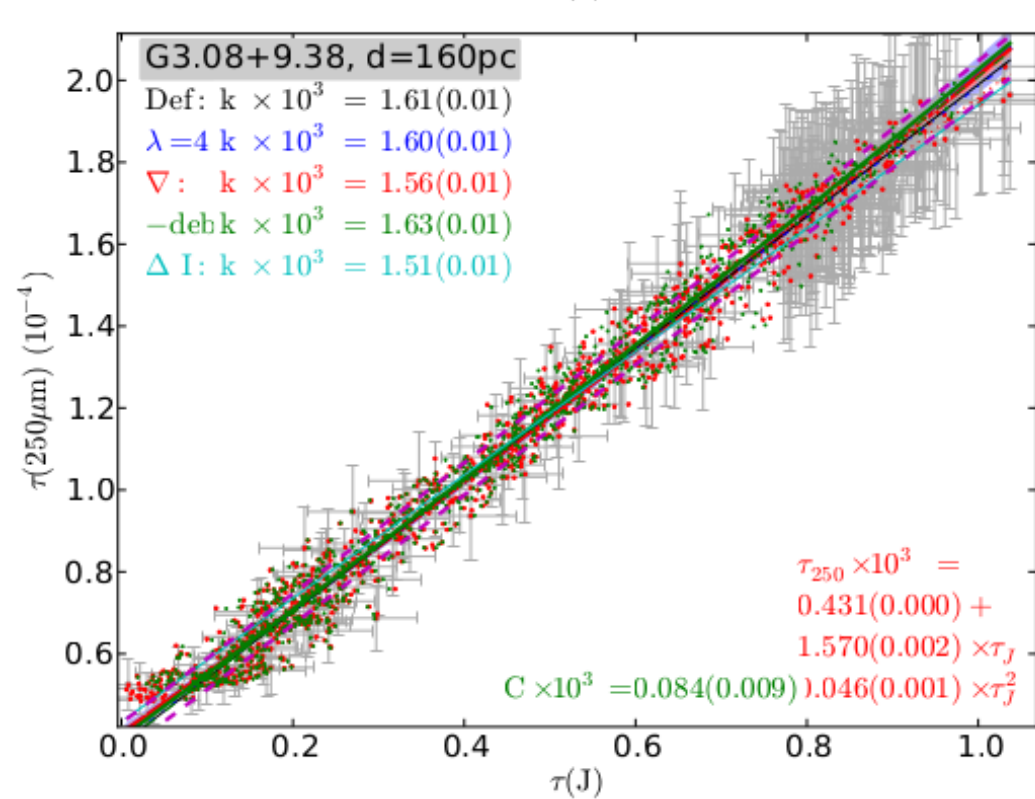
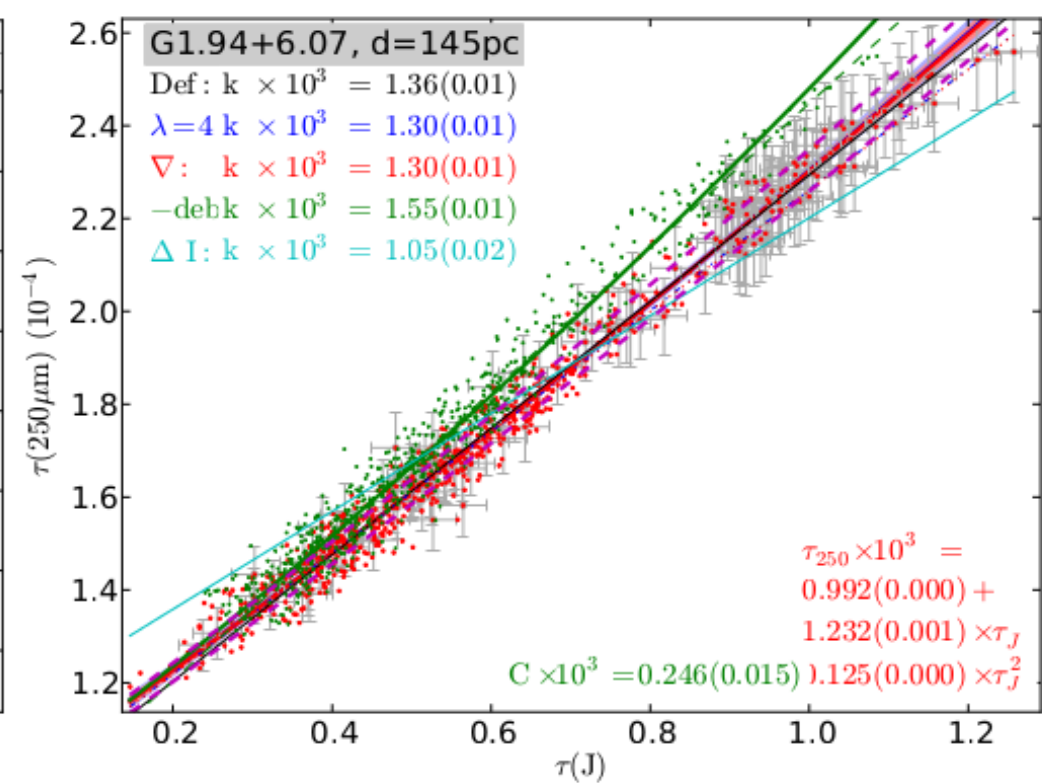
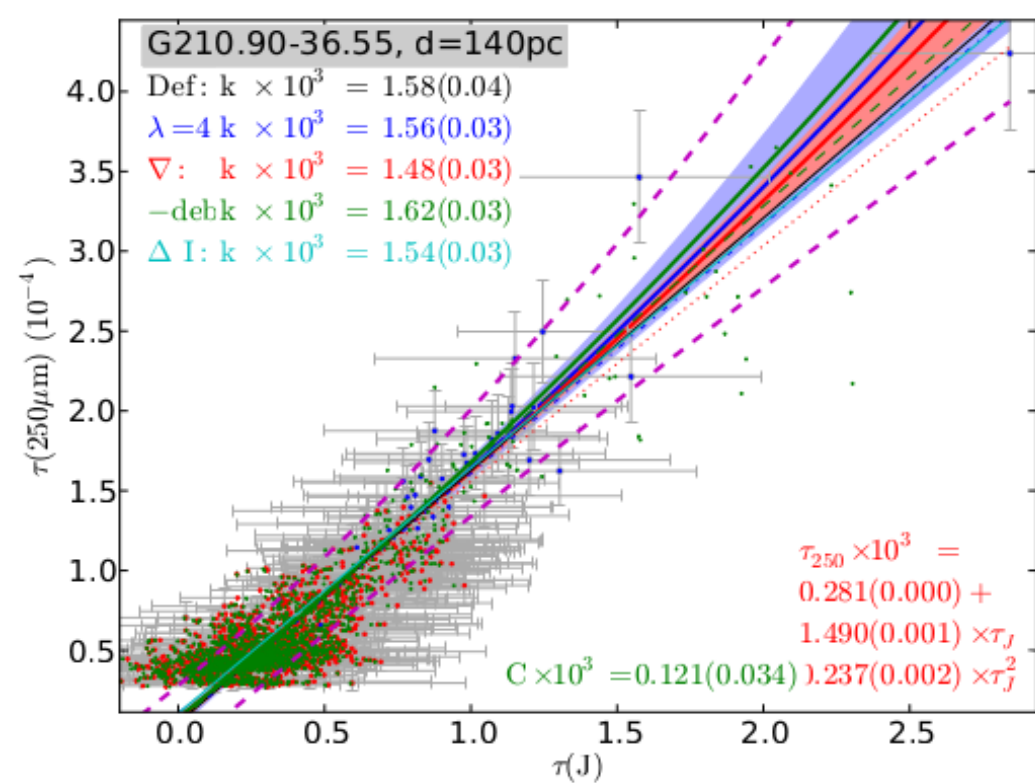
The simulated NICER map,  
average of 100 realisations

The absolute bias:  
 $\langle \text{simulations} \rangle - \text{input } \tau$

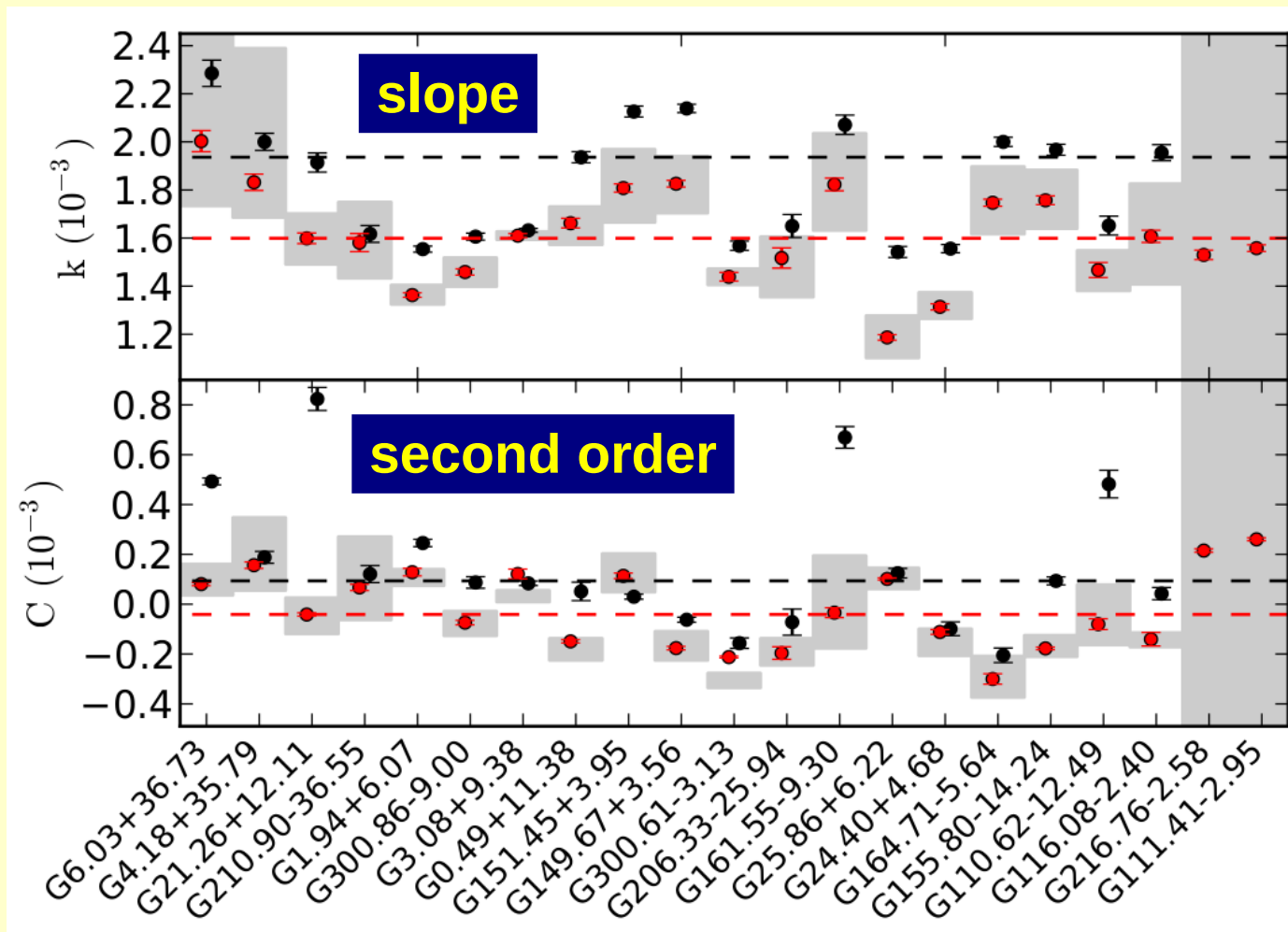


# The **correlations**

- $\tau(250\mu\text{m})$  data are bias-corrected and colvolved to the resolution of  $\tau(\text{J})$  data
- fits  $\tau(250\mu\text{m})$  vs.  $\tau(\text{J})$ 
  - possibly different  $\tau(\text{J})$  intervals
  - linear models with slop  $k$  and models including a second order term  $\tau(\text{J})^2$  with multiplier  $C$



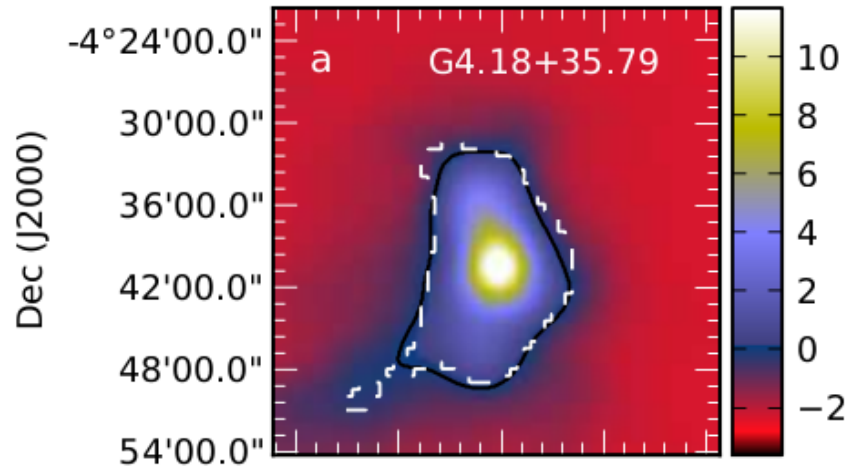
Based on the uncertainty of  $k$ , only the 21 most reliable **selected** out of the original sample of 116 fields



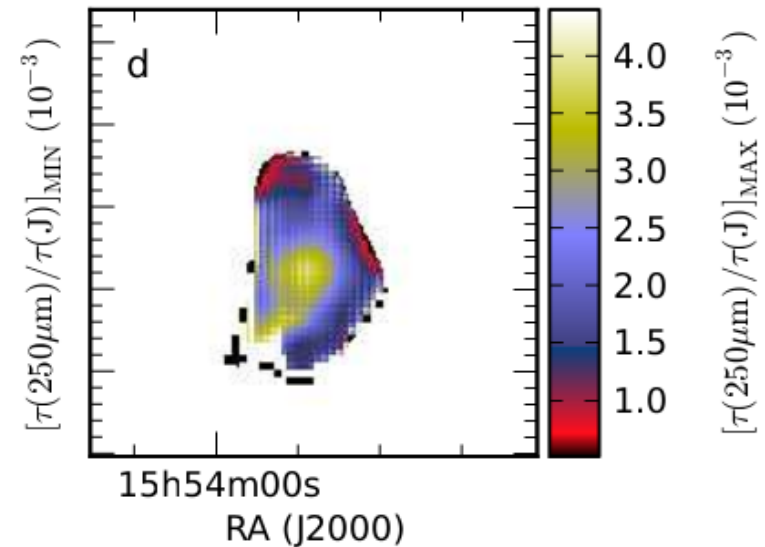
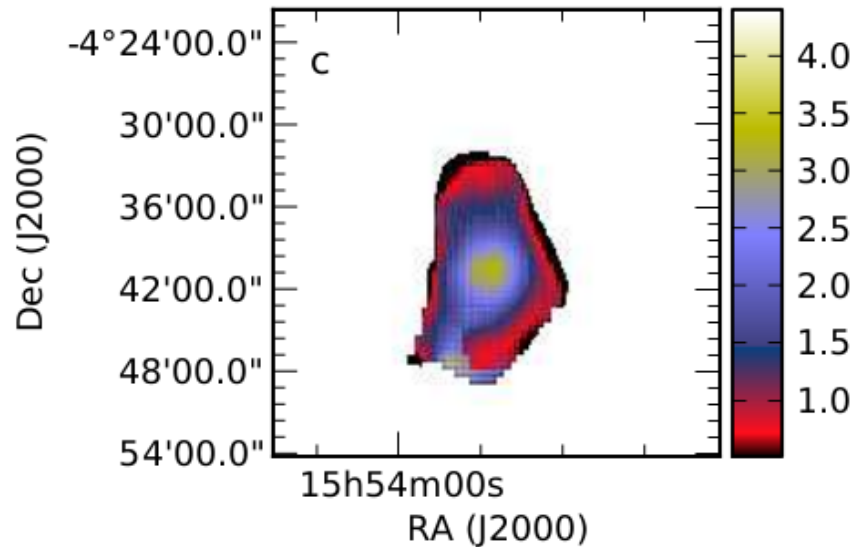
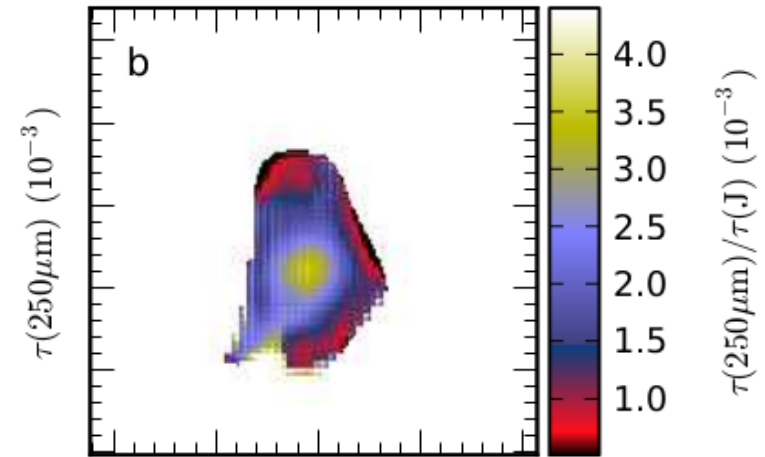
Gray bands = uncertainty of the distance !

# $\tau(250\mu\text{m})/\tau(\text{J})$ in **ratio maps**

$\tau(250\mu\text{m})$



$\tau(250\mu\text{m})/\tau(\text{J})$

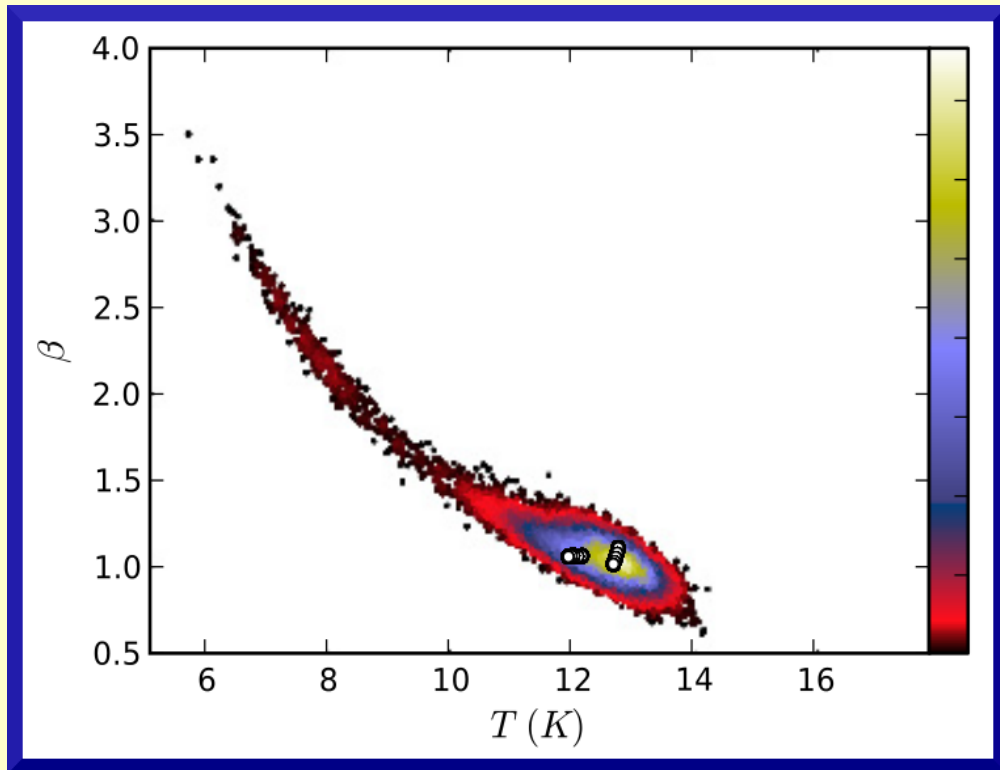


Minimum  $\tau(250\mu\text{m})/\tau(\text{J})$

Maximum  $\tau(250\mu\text{m})/\tau(\text{J})$

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# Estimation of dust spectral index



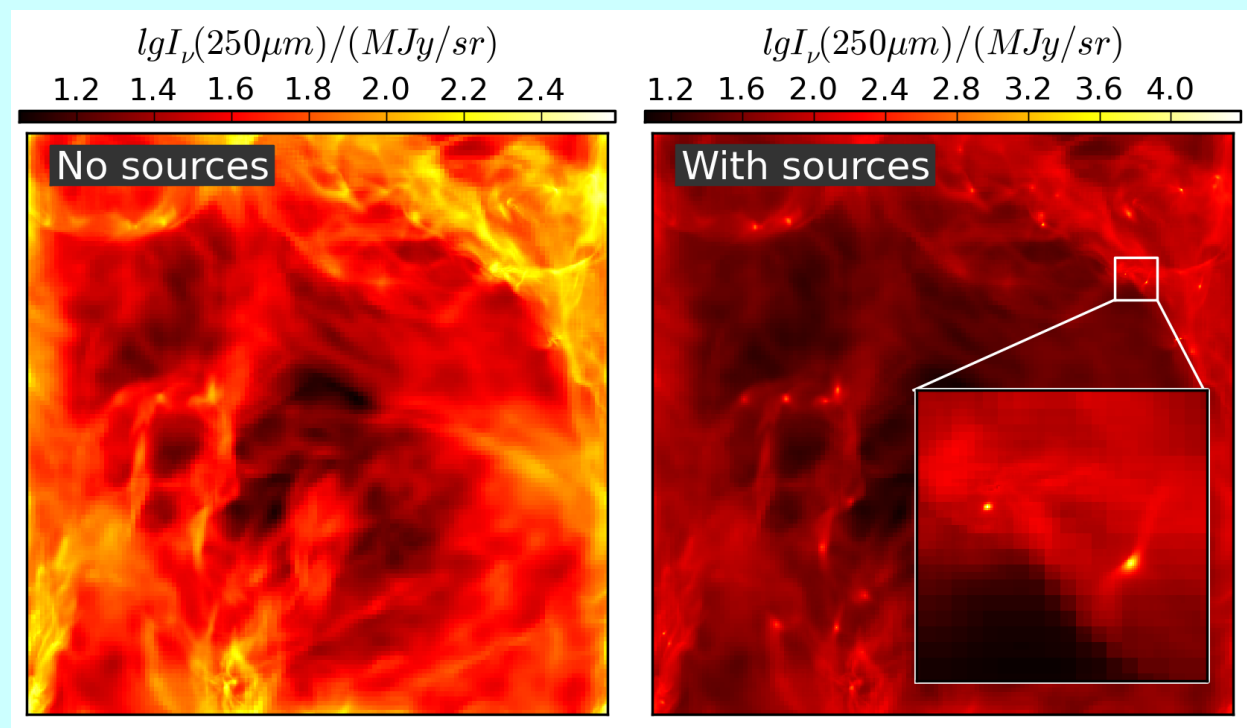
# The problem

- apparent  $T$  and  $\beta$  values become correlated whenever
  - the observations contain **noise**
  - there are **temperature variations** either along the line-of-sight or otherwise within the beam
- **both** factors are **always** present
  - it is difficult to separate intrinsic dust properties from  $T$  and noise effects

2012

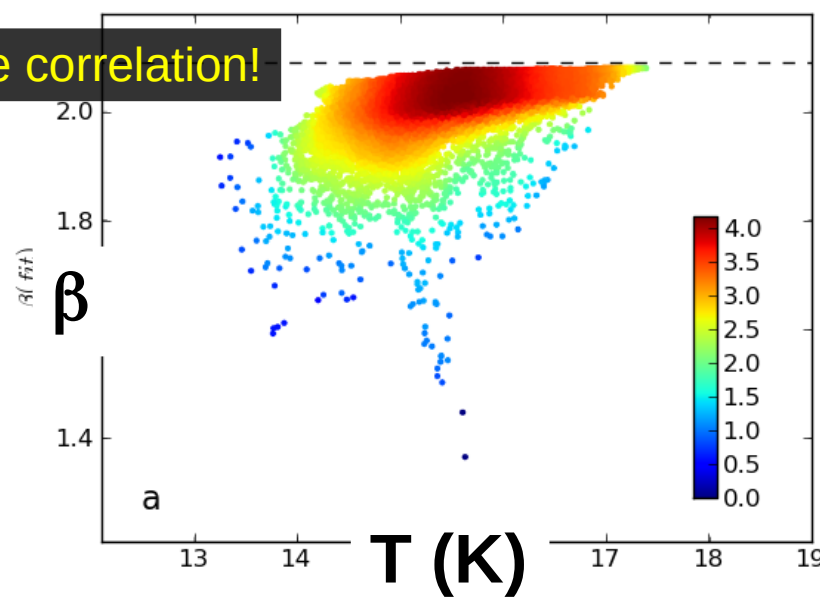
# The difference between cores that are heated externally by ISRF or by protostars?

High resolution AMR MHD + radiative transfer modelling (see Lunttila et al. 2012)

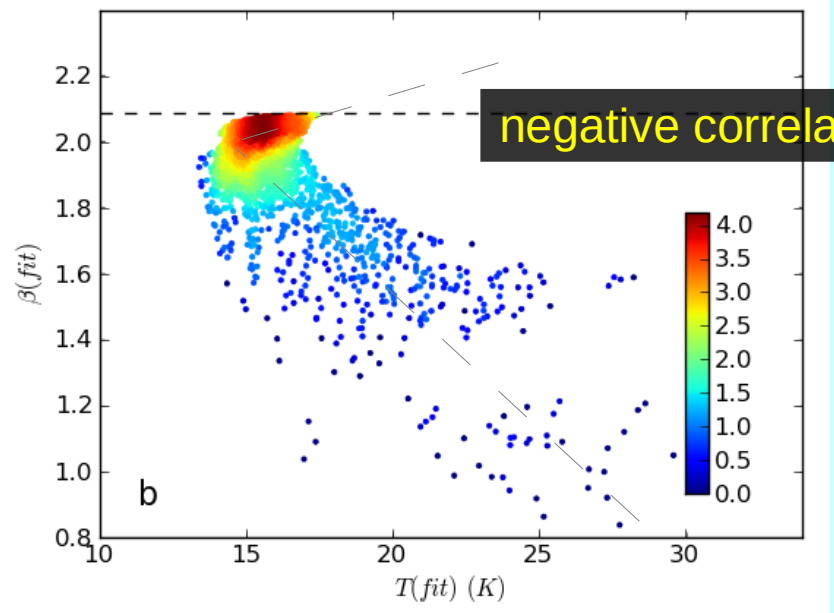


positive correlation!

Malinen et al. (2011)



negative correlation!





# Hierarchical models

- adds to the model a statistical description of the distribution of  $(T, \beta)$  values

$$p(I, T, \beta, \delta | S) \propto p(\theta) \prod_{i=1}^{N_s} \left[ \underline{p(I_i, T_i, \beta_i, \delta_j | \theta)} \prod_{j=1}^{N_f} p(S_{i,j} | I_i, T_i, \beta_i, \delta_j) \right]$$

priors

product over  
sources

product over  
bands

likelihood  
function

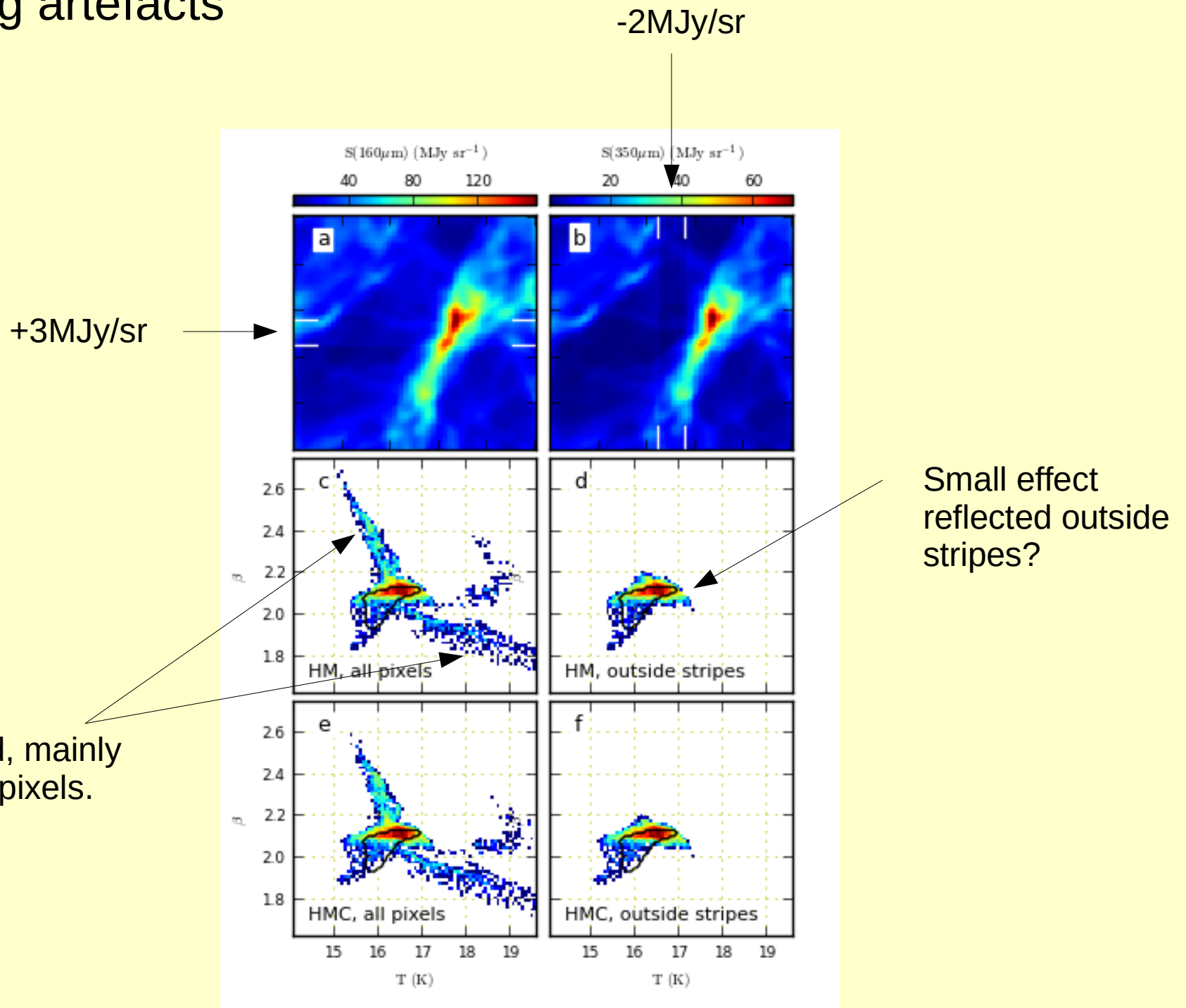
calibration  
factors

**hierarchical part**

probability from normal or  
Student distribution

(Kelly et al. 2011;  
Juvela, Montillaud, Ysard, Lunttila 2013)

# Mapping artefacts



# GCC: opacity spectral index

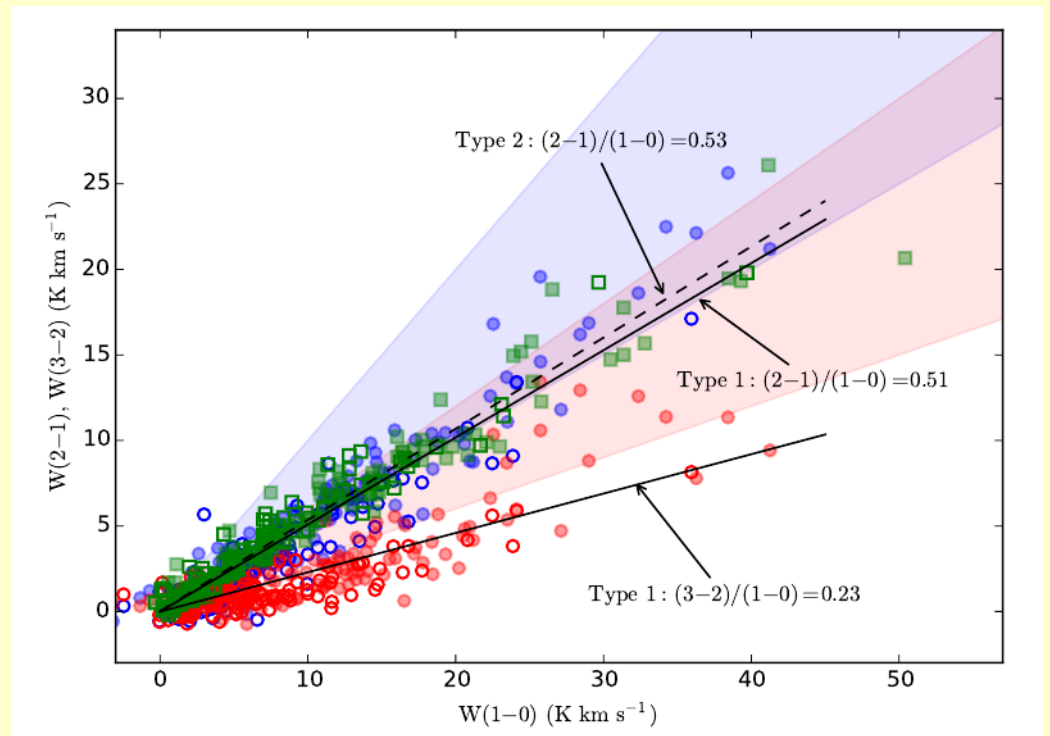
Spectral index as function of temperature,  
column density, and wavelength

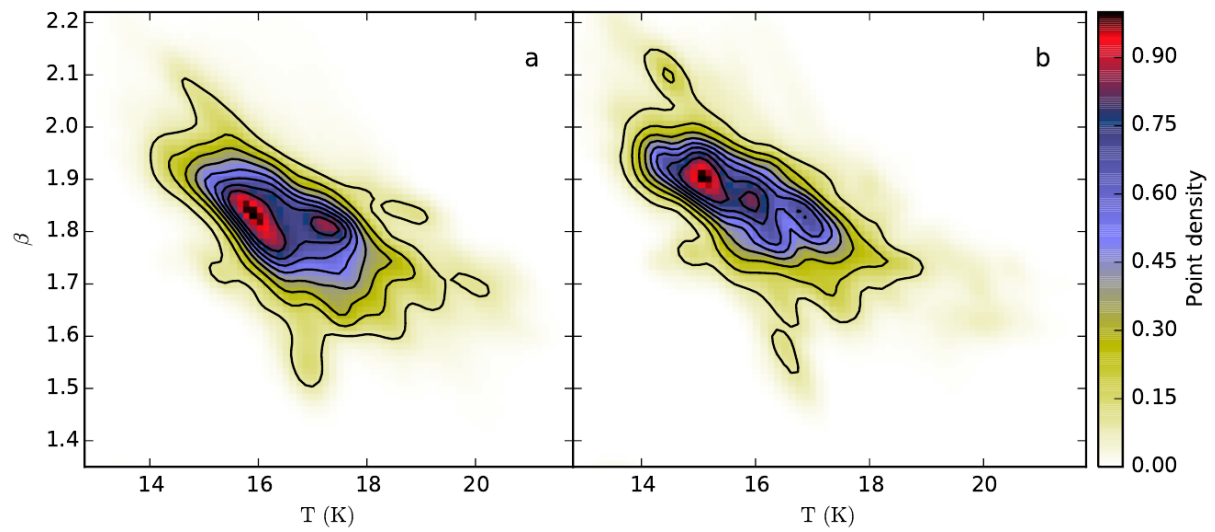
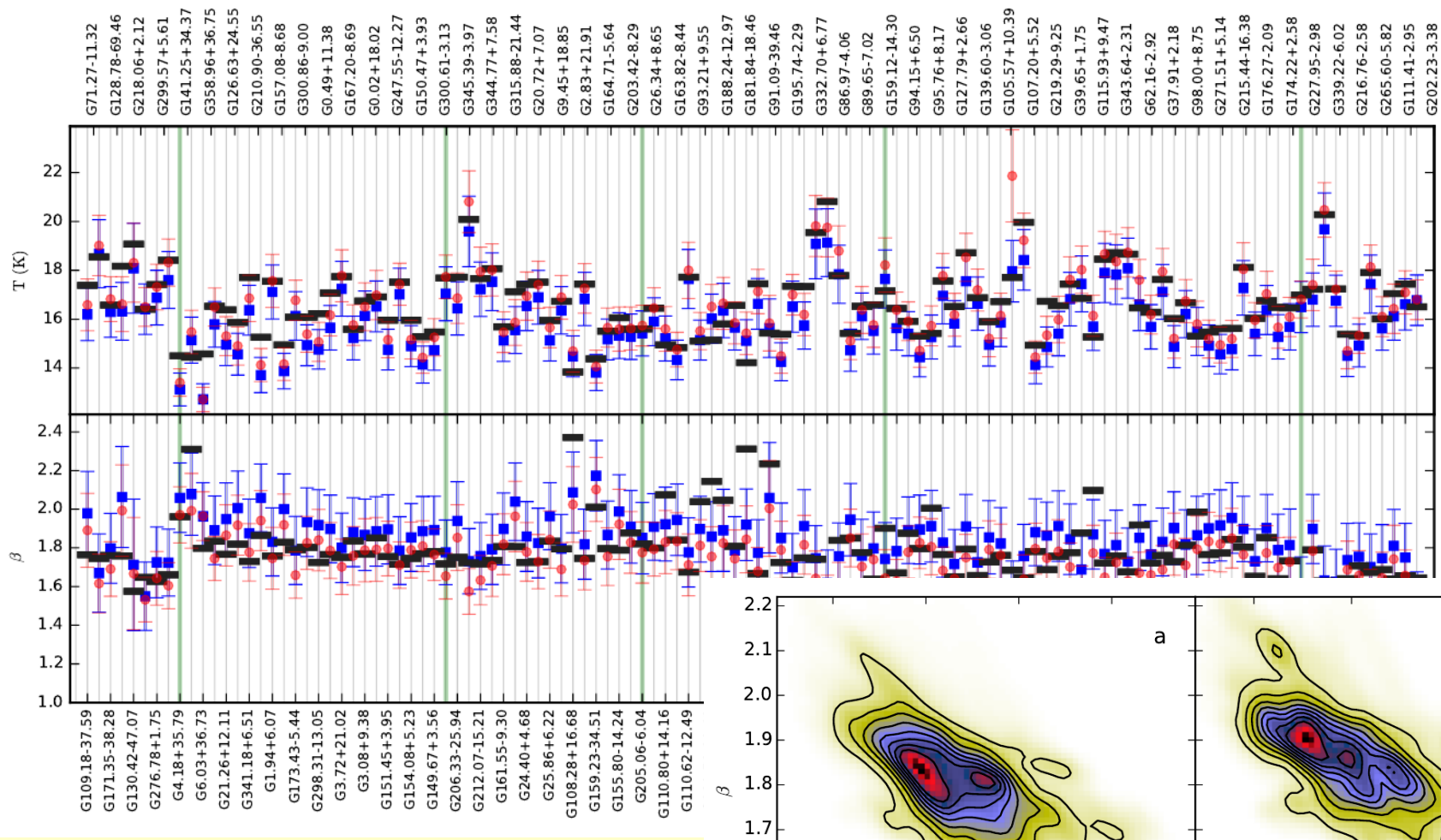
## **Galactic cold cores VII. Dust opacity spectral index ★ ★★**

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- Herschel maps 160-500 $\mu\text{m}$ 
  - zero points from Planck or AKARI
- Planck data 857-217GHz
  - significant CO corrections in the 217GHz band, less in 353GHz
  - CO(1-0) intensity from Planck Type 3 CO maps ... needs assumption of line ratios

CO line ratios based on Planck Type 1 and 2 CO maps of the examined fields.





## General results based on IRAS and Planck

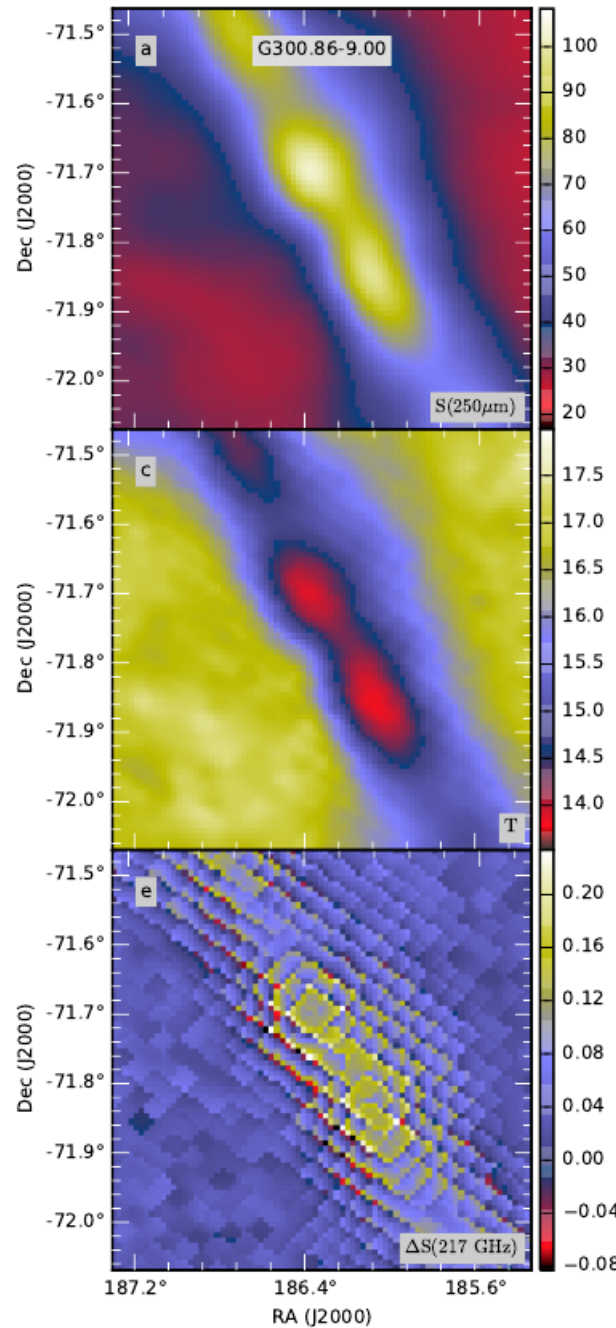
- expected range of temperatures and spectral indices
- relatively weak  $T - \beta$  anticorrelation

More clear (?) **anticorrelation** seen in higher resolution Herschel observations.  
 Some evidence of **217GHz excess**.

$S(250\mu\text{m})$

$T$

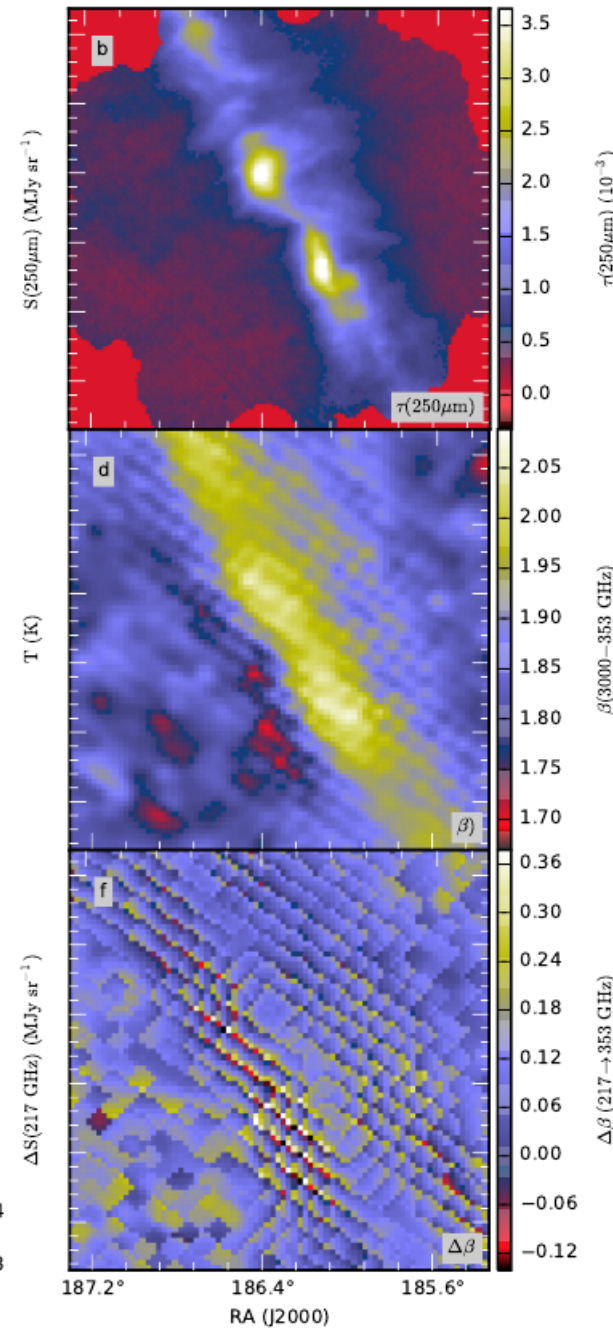
**217GHz**  
 minus fit

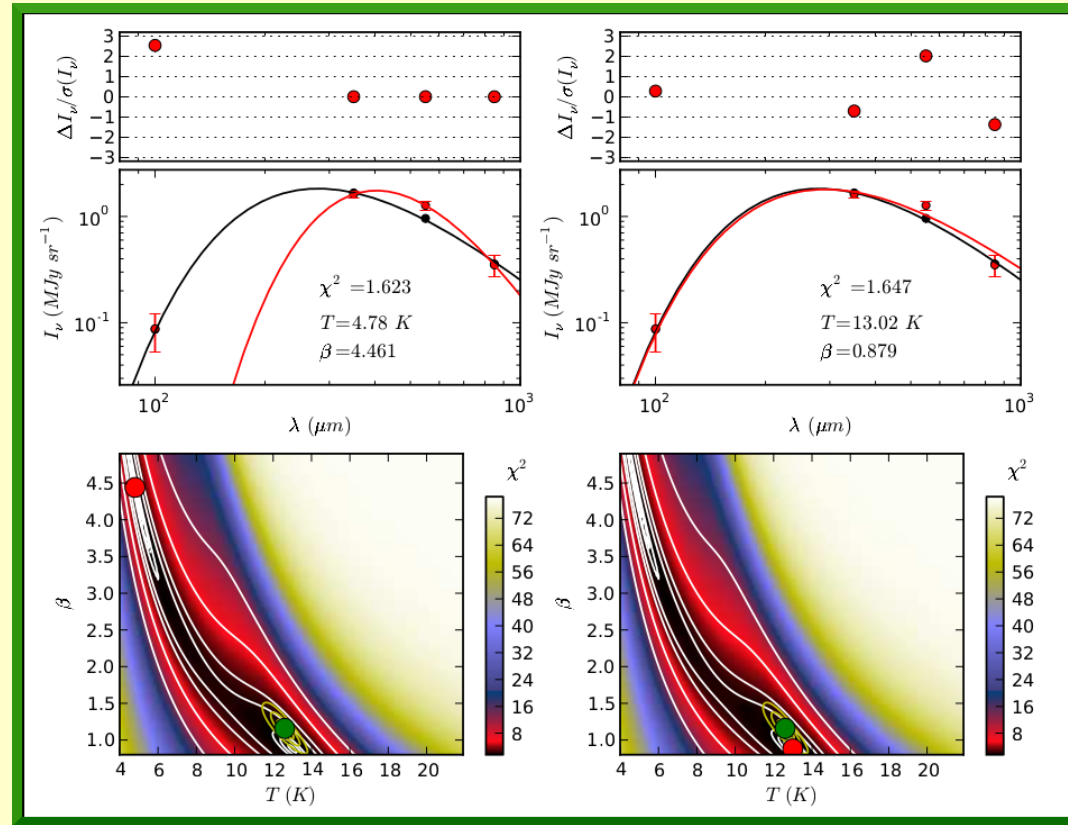
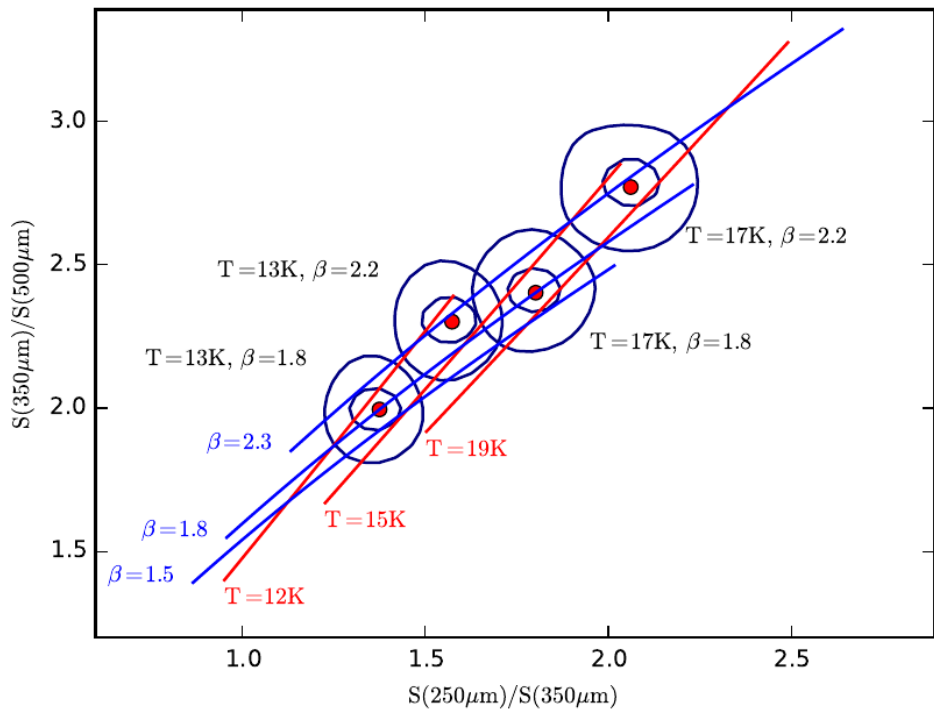


$\tau(250\mu\text{m})$

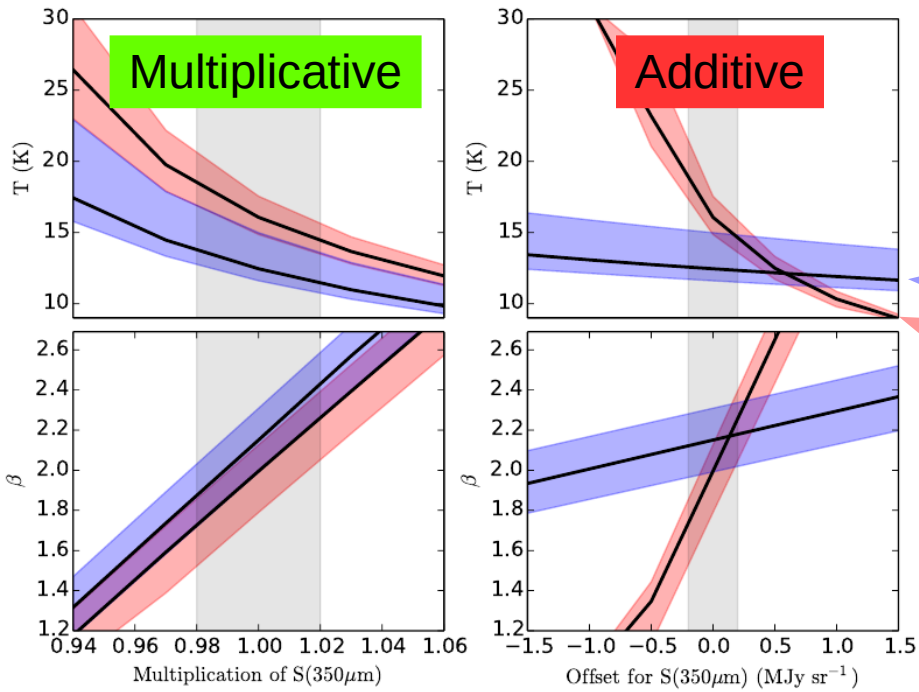
$\beta$

fit up to  
**217GHz**  
 vs. fit up to  
**345GHz**





Juvela & Ysard (2012b)

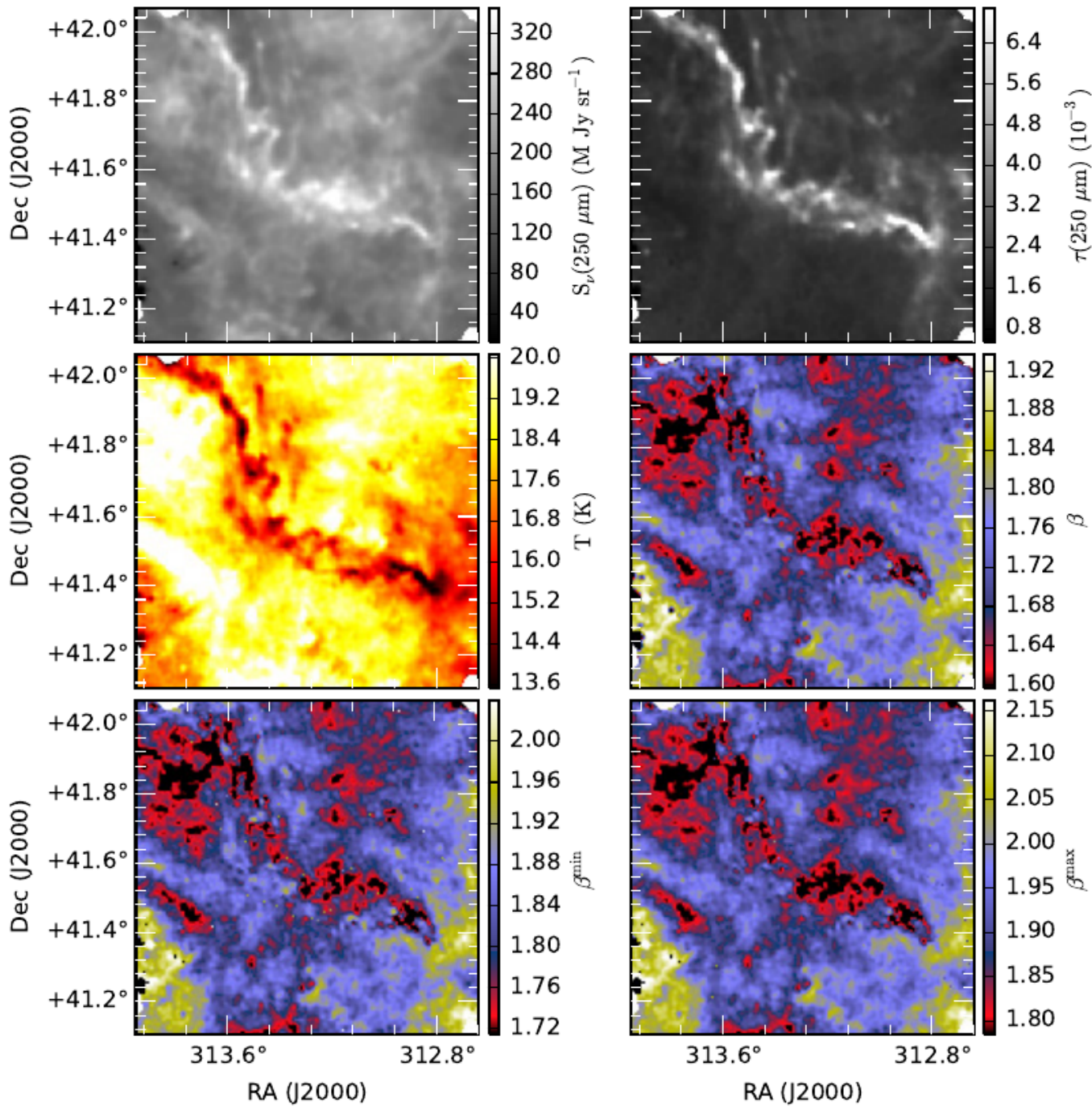


100 MJy/sr

10 MJy/sr

**Fig. 10.** The same as Fig. 9 but for hypothetical errors in the 350  $\mu\text{m}$  surface brightness.

# T



# $\beta$



# IRAS & Planck

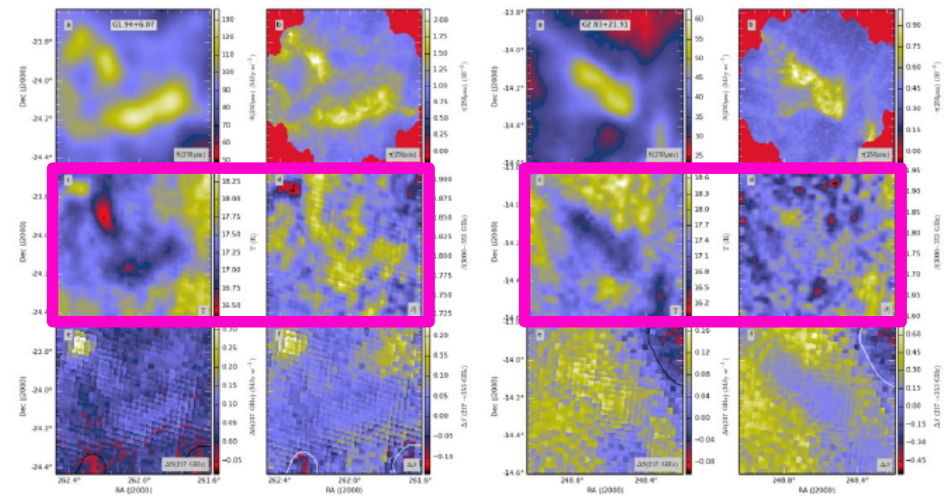


Fig. B.3. Continued... Fields G1.94+6.07 and G2.83+21.91

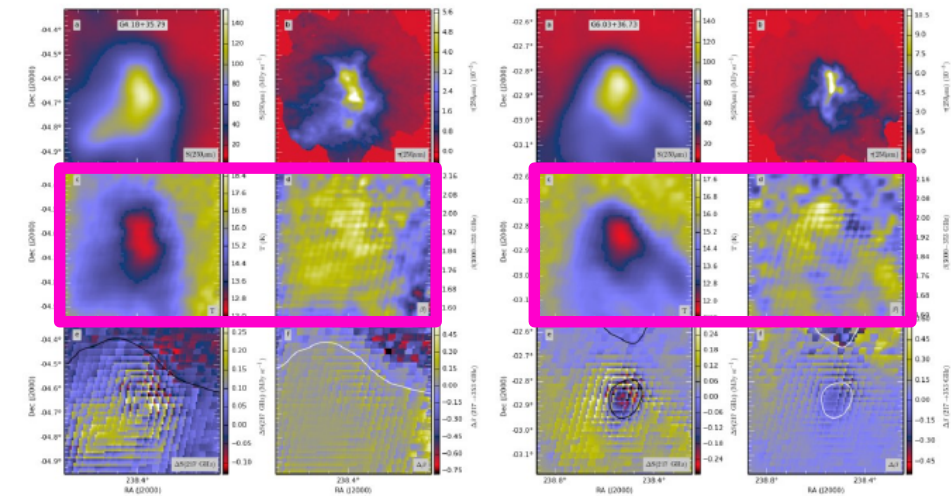
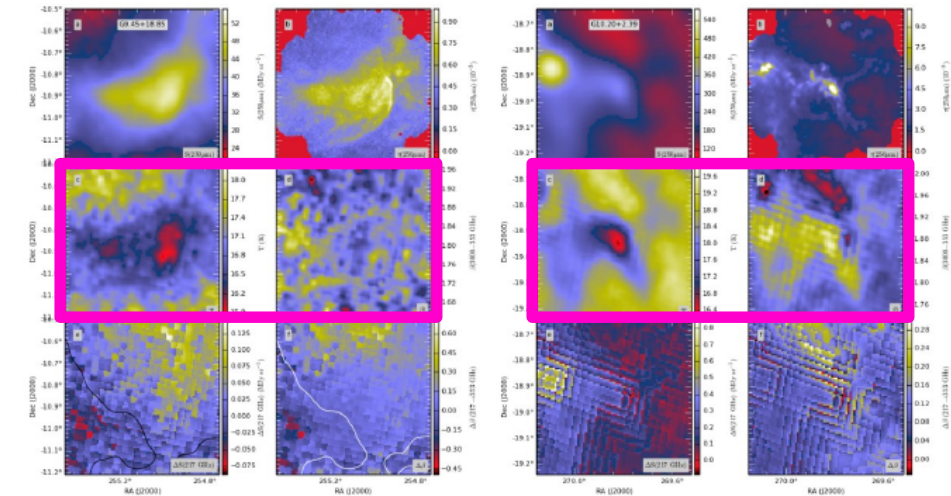
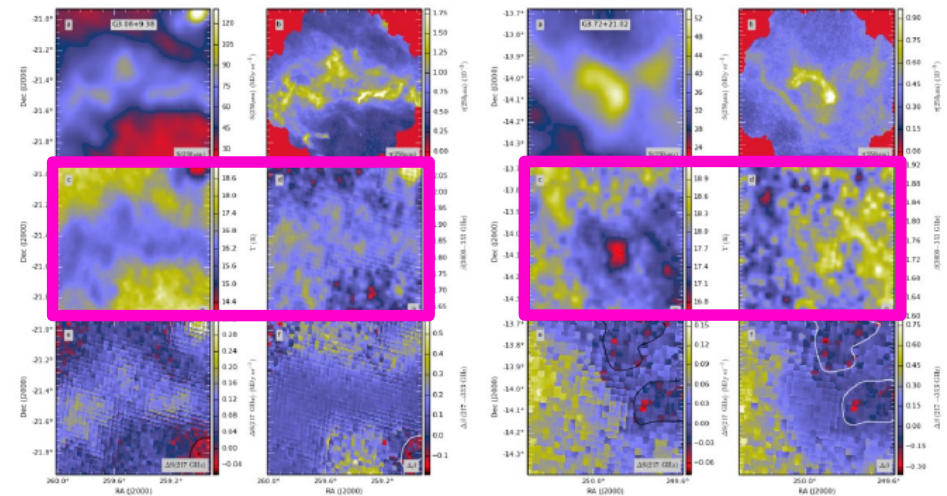
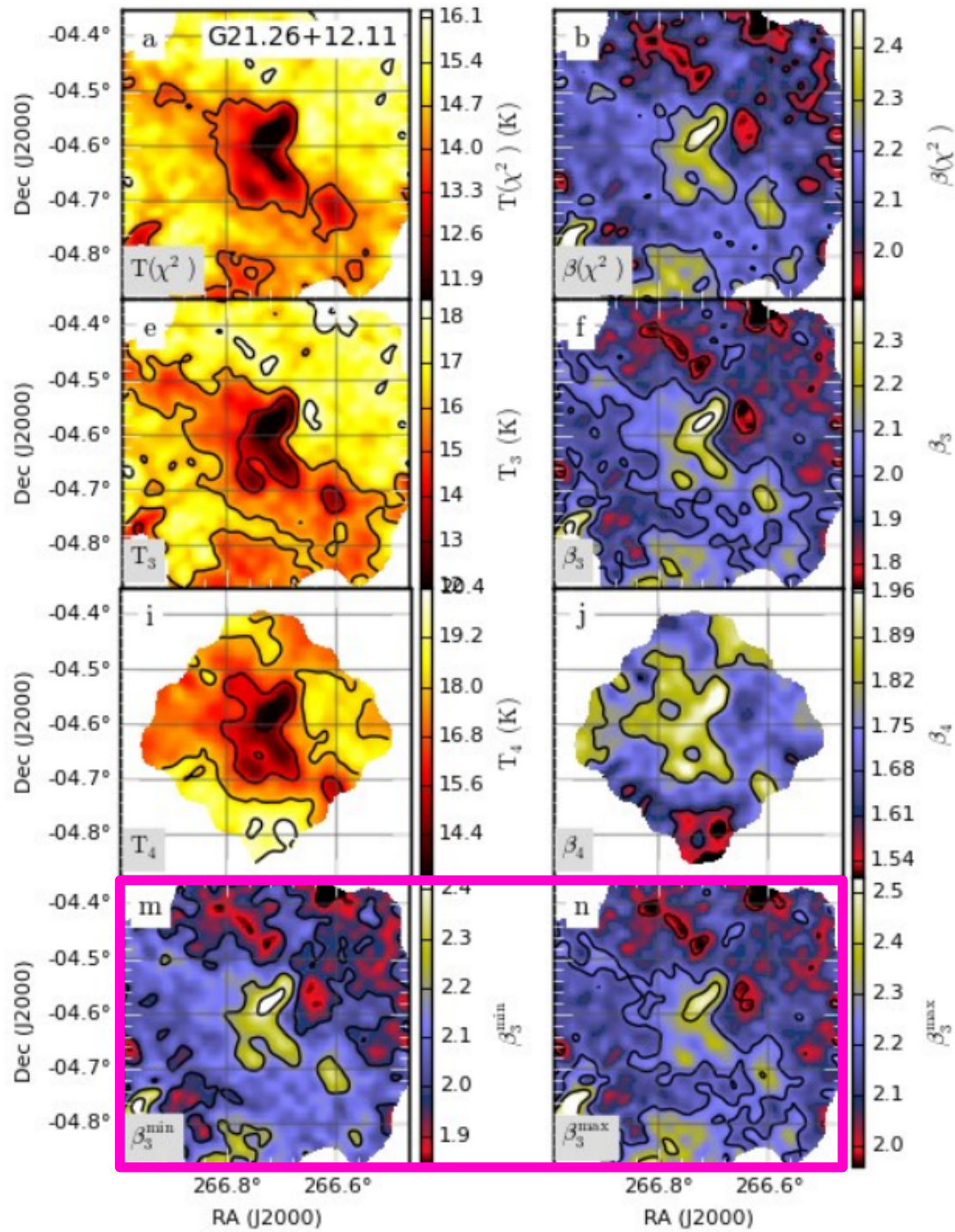


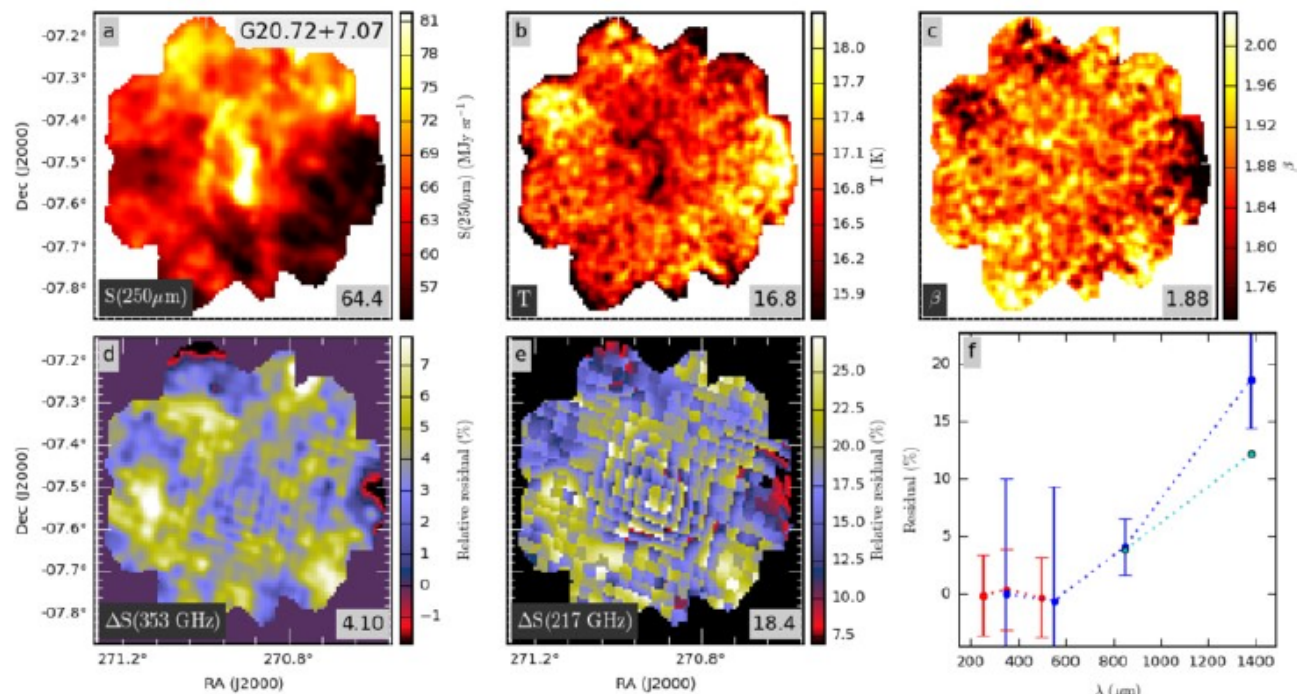
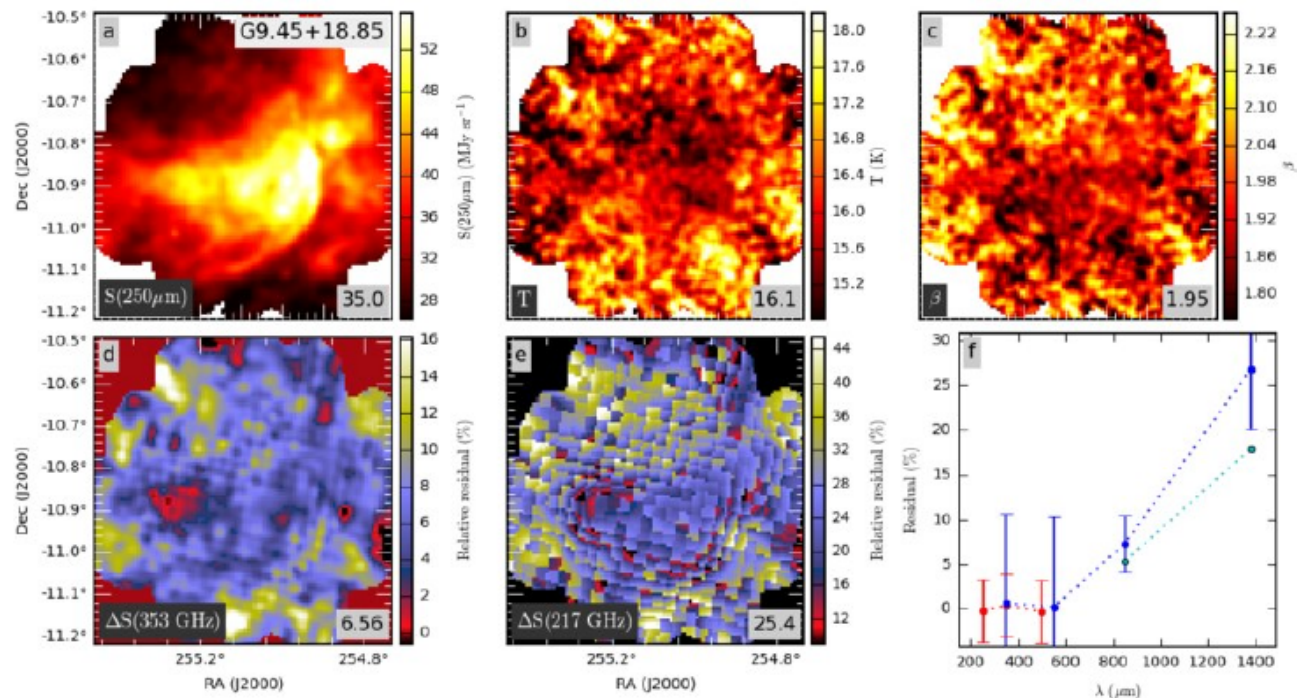
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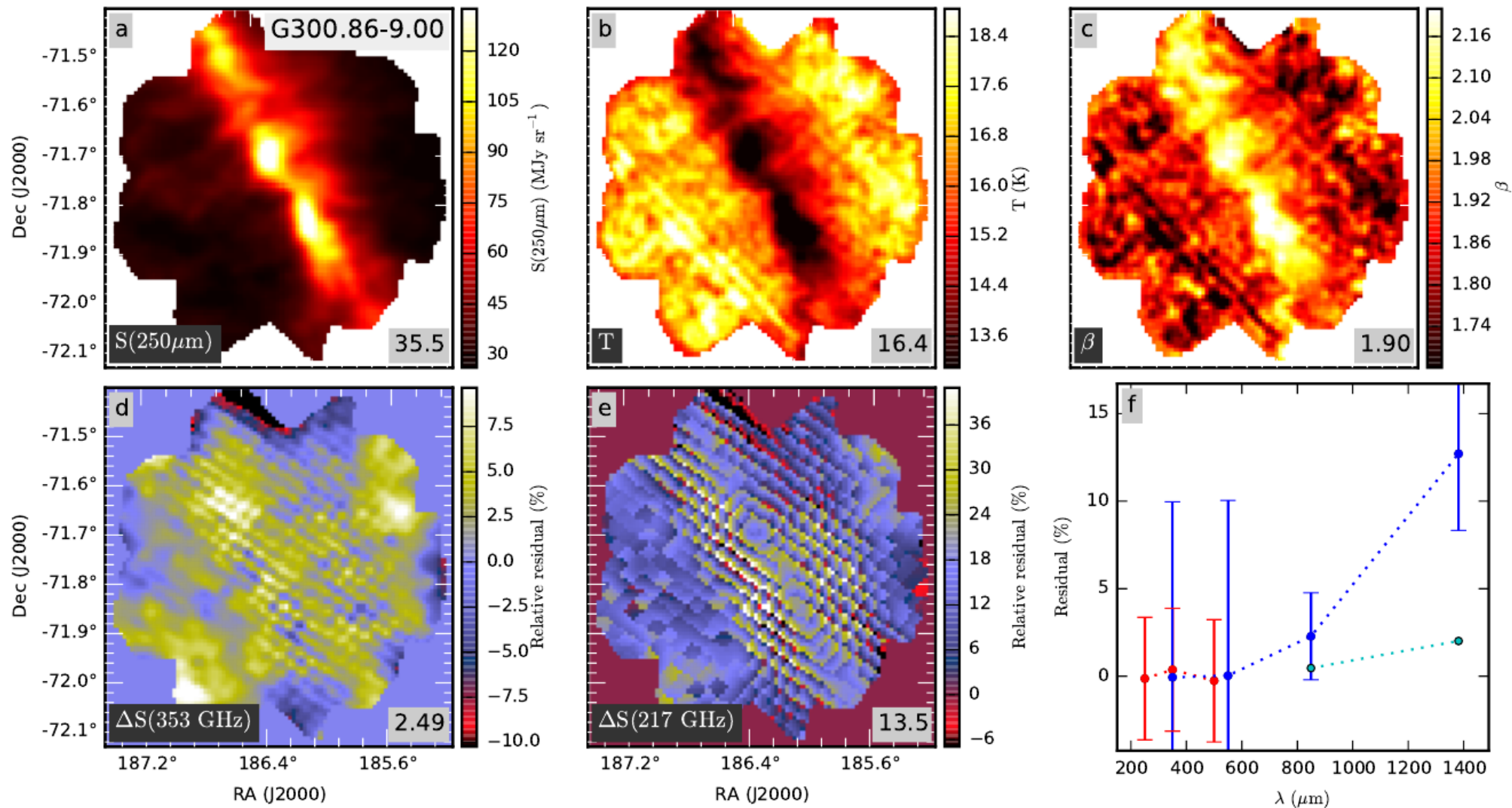


# Herschel



# Herschel + Planck





# Conclusions

- Dust opacity spectral index shows clear spatial variations, anti-correlated with temperature, correlated with column density
- Based on IRAS and Planck, the median values are  $T = 16.1$  K and  $\beta_{\text{FIR}} = 1.84$
- With Herschel data, we find in many clumps with values up to  $\beta \sim 2.2$  ( $\nu \leq 353$  GHz)
- Millimetre emission shows excess relative to the fits to submillimetre data
- Two component fits give average values of  $\beta_{\text{FIR}} = 1.91$  and  $\beta_{\text{mm}} = 1.66$ .
- $\beta_{\text{FIR}}$  is significantly higher than values reported for diffuse medium,  $\beta_{\text{mm}}$  is close to the values Planck studies have found for diffuse regions at high Galactic latitudes

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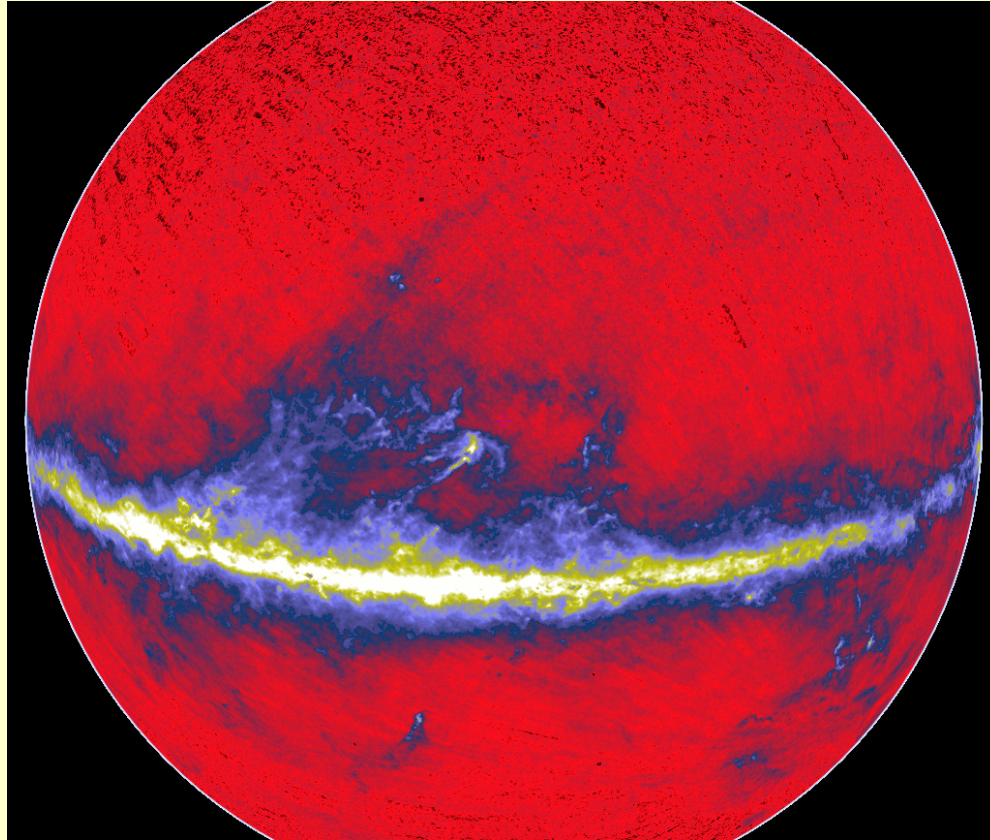
# Modelling

3D radiative transfer modelling was already used  
examine  $\tau(\text{submm})$  bias

## The Plan

- even higher resolution modelling → evaluate better the structure of the cores/clumps
  - better estimates of radial profiles
  - better estimates of gravitational energy, read **directly from the 3D model**
- successful modelling may cause some re-evaluation of the behaviour of  $\kappa$  and  $\beta$
- extinction (and potentially even scattering) may be used for additional constraints

# Juvela & Montillaud (2015a): Allsky NICER and NICEST extinction maps based on the 2MASS near-infrared survey



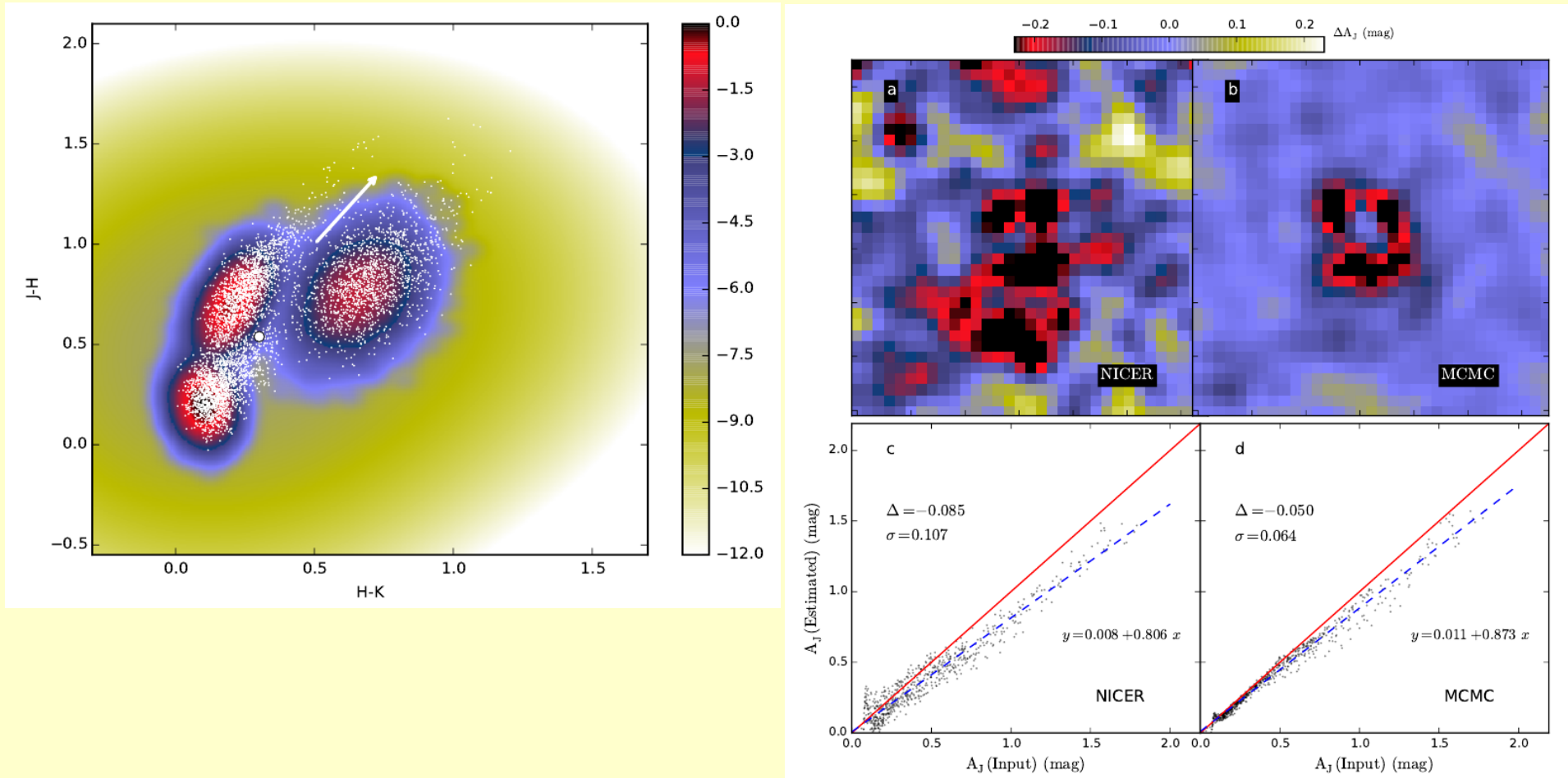
[www.interstellarmedium.org/Extinction](http://www.interstellarmedium.org/Extinction)

NICER and NICEST maps at 3.0', 4.5', and 12' resolution, as Healpix files (NSIDE=2048).



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# Juvela & Montillaud (2015b): Near-infrared extinction with discretised stellar colours



Intrinsic colours: deviations from gaussian approximation → not very important in practice

A priori information of small-scale column density structure → potentially significant improvements as reduced bias and reduced rms noise.

Juvela (in prep?): New **radiative transfer programs** for dust continuum calculations

- SOC – **Scattering** calculations with **OpenCL**
  - improvement in run times of a factor of a few
    - compared to CRT with OpenMP parallelisation
    - potentially higher gains for GPUs, a factor of >10 compared to CRT on a single core (small models?)
- SOCAM, SOCAMP, SOCAMI
  - calculations of thermal dust emission
  - SOCAM slightly faster than CRT, SOCAMP even faster for models  $\gg 200^3$  cells
  - SOCAMI uses arbitrary (but common) values for x, y, and z cell boundaries