

# Overview of Extragalactic Dust Observations

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Current Problems in  
Extragalactic Dust  
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R=MIPS 24  $\mu\text{m}$ , G=IRAC 8  $\mu\text{m}$ , B=IRAC 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$

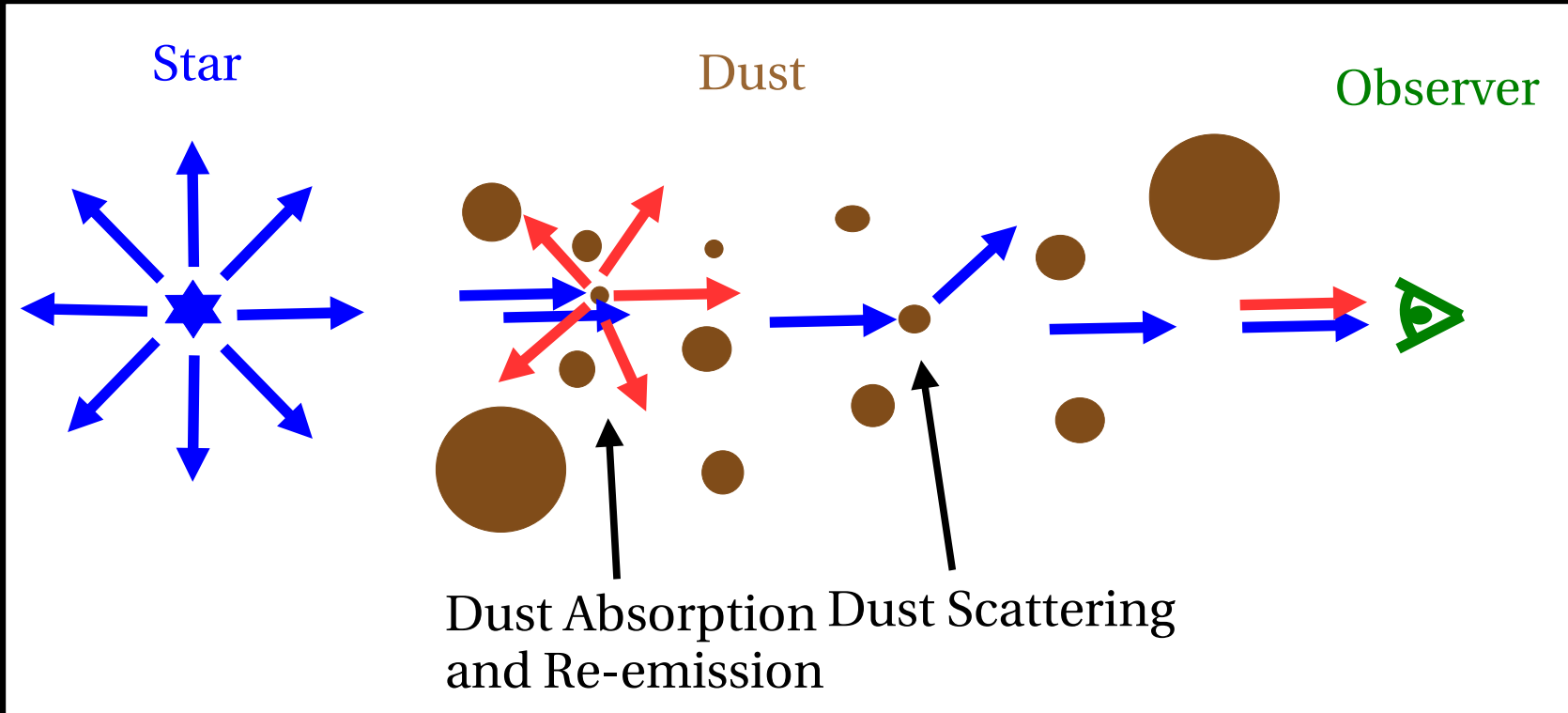
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# Outline

- UV/optical extinction curves in the Local Group
- UV/optical attenuation curves in galaxies
- IR/submm emission
- Briefly mention ancillary observations
  - Metals, HI, CO, etc.
- Major understanding of dust in galaxies comes from Local Group/Universe work



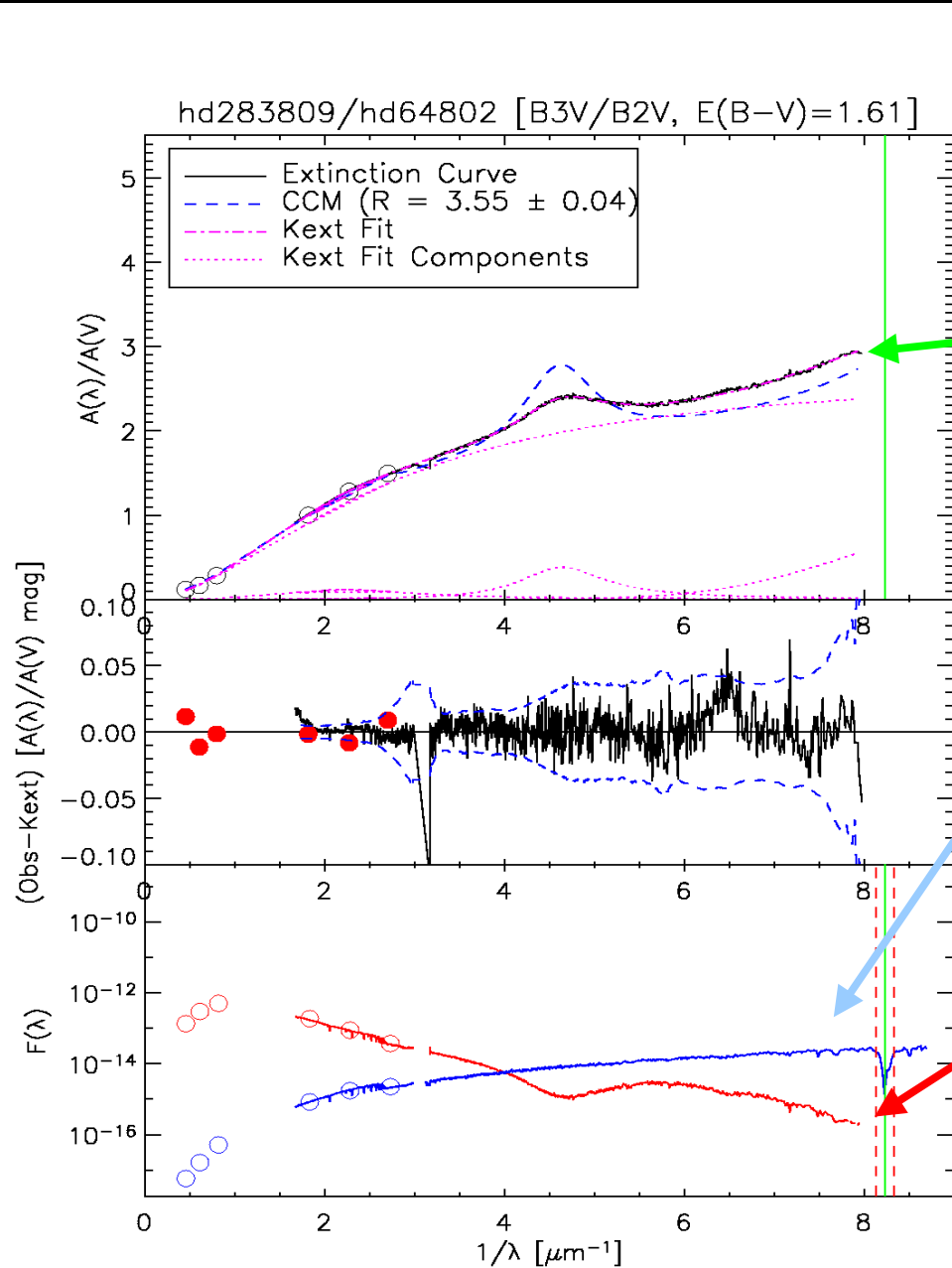
# Screen Geometry



$$F(\lambda) = F_o(\lambda)e^{-\tau(\lambda)} \quad \tau(\lambda) = \text{optical depth}$$

- Wavelength dependence of dust attenuation is determined only by the physical parameters of the dust grains

# How to make an Extinction Curve



3) Take the ratio = extinction curve  
(good when the spectral lines cancel)

2) Find another star with the same spectral type = same physics (temperature and gravity) but is not affected by dust.

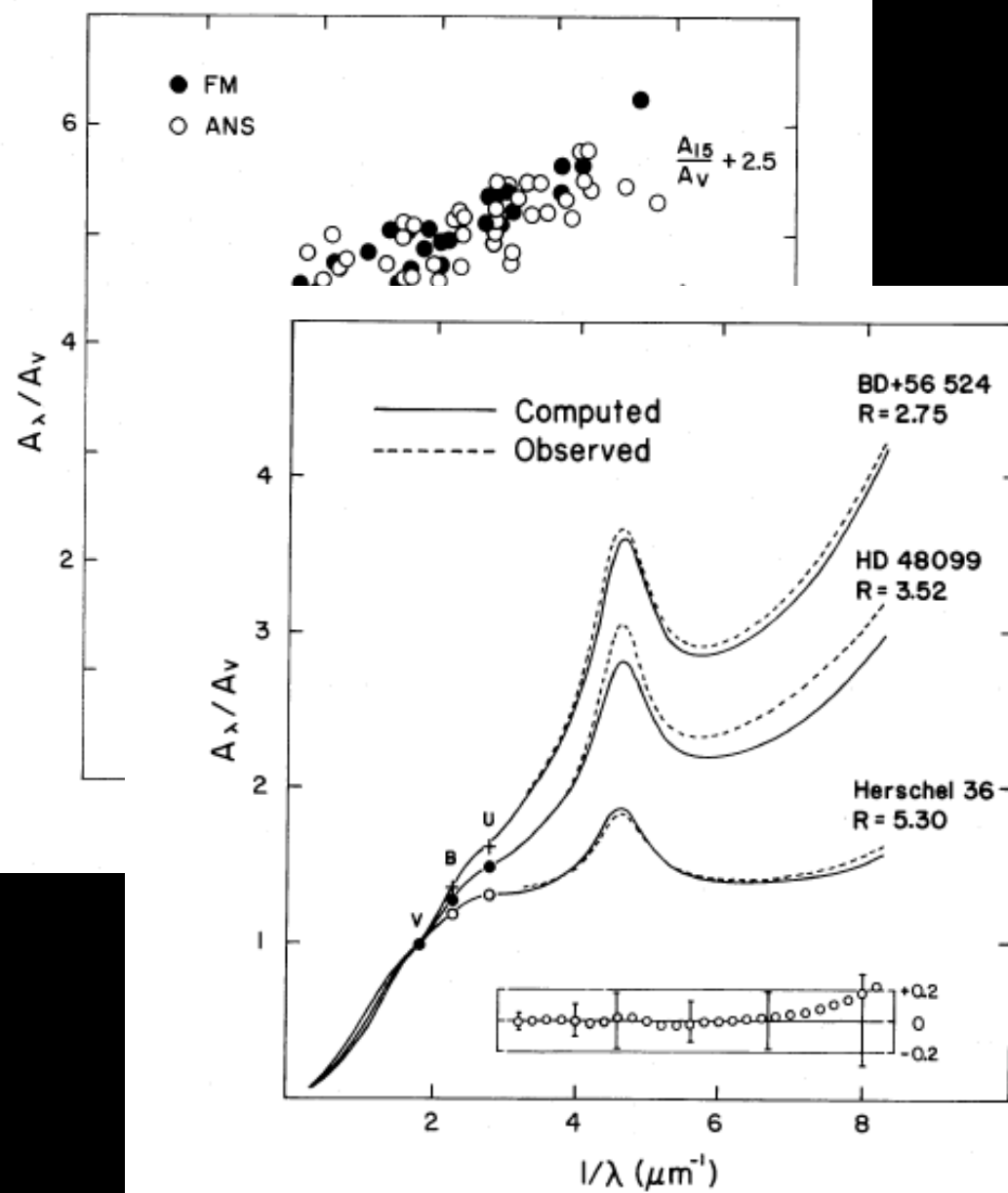
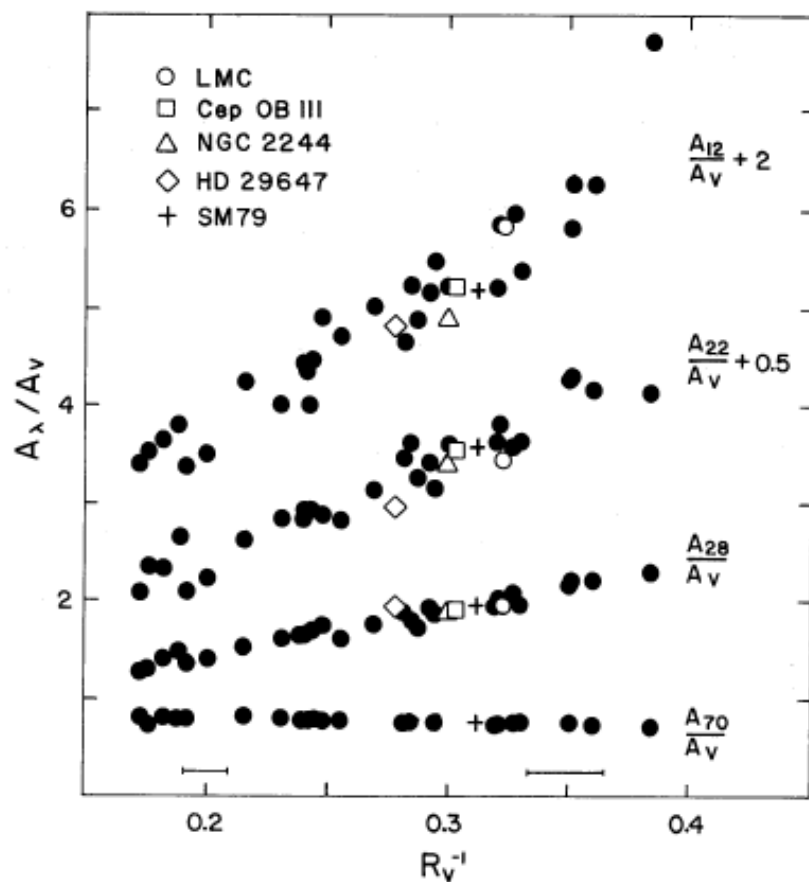
1) Start with a star which is affected by dust (fainter and redder than expected)

## THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INFRARED, OPTICAL, AND ULTRAVIOLET EXTINCTION

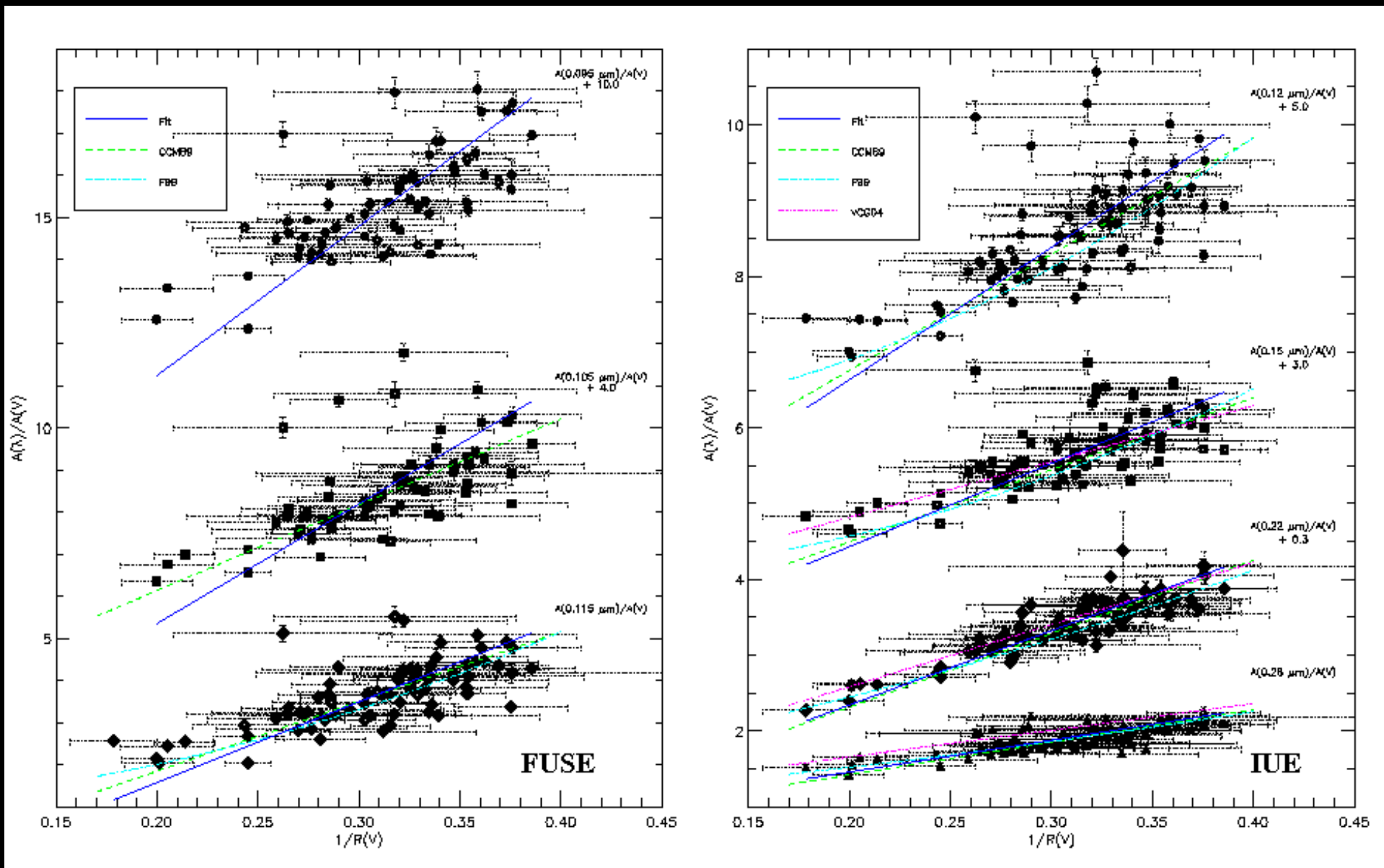
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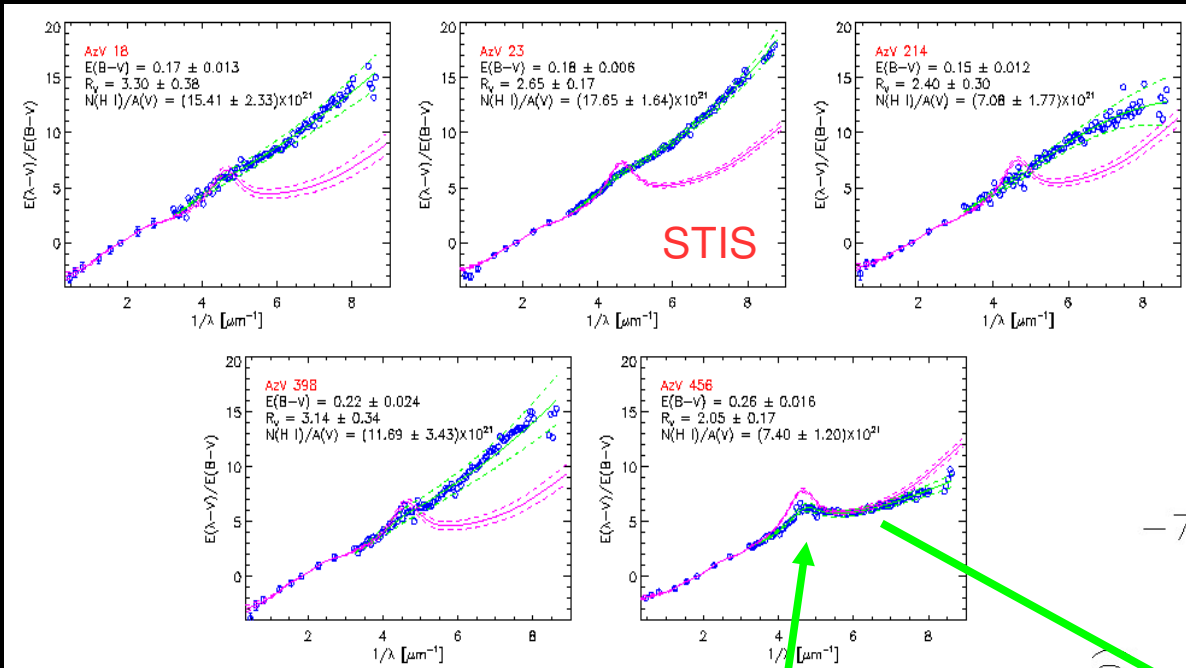
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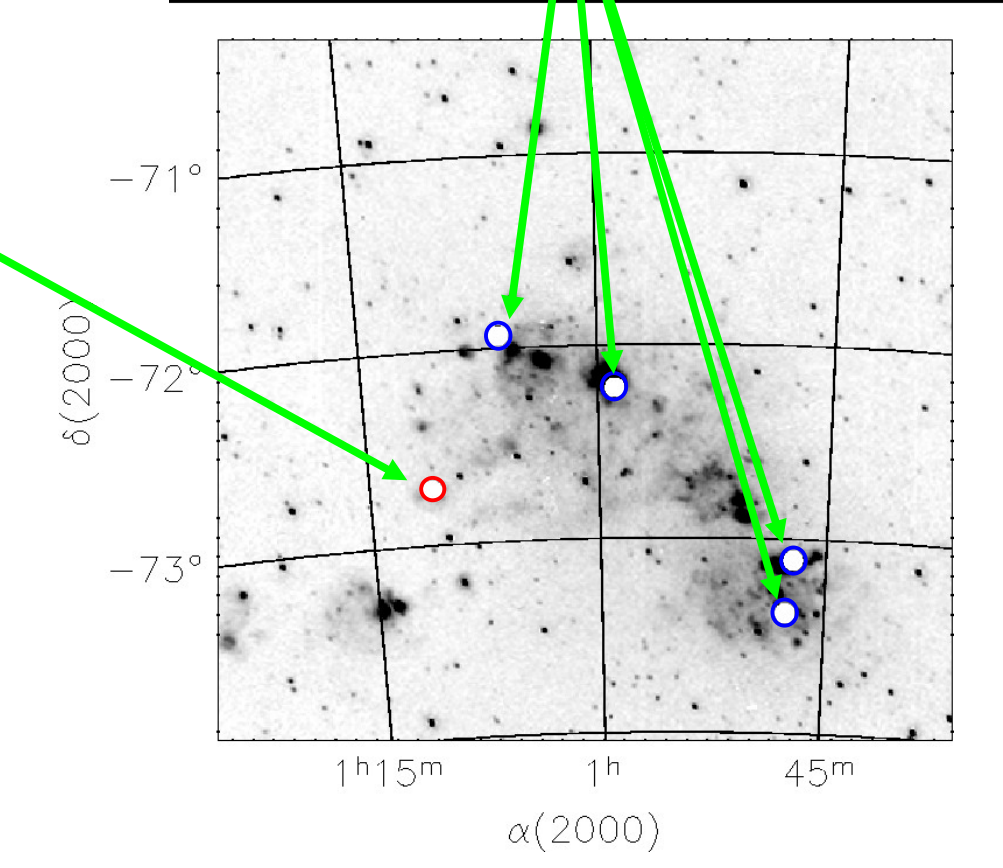
# Far-UV R(V) Dependent Relationship with FUSE



# Small Magellanic Cloud Extinction Curves



4 similar curves are found in the star forming bar of the SMC!



**Milky Way-like!  
(2175 Å bump)**

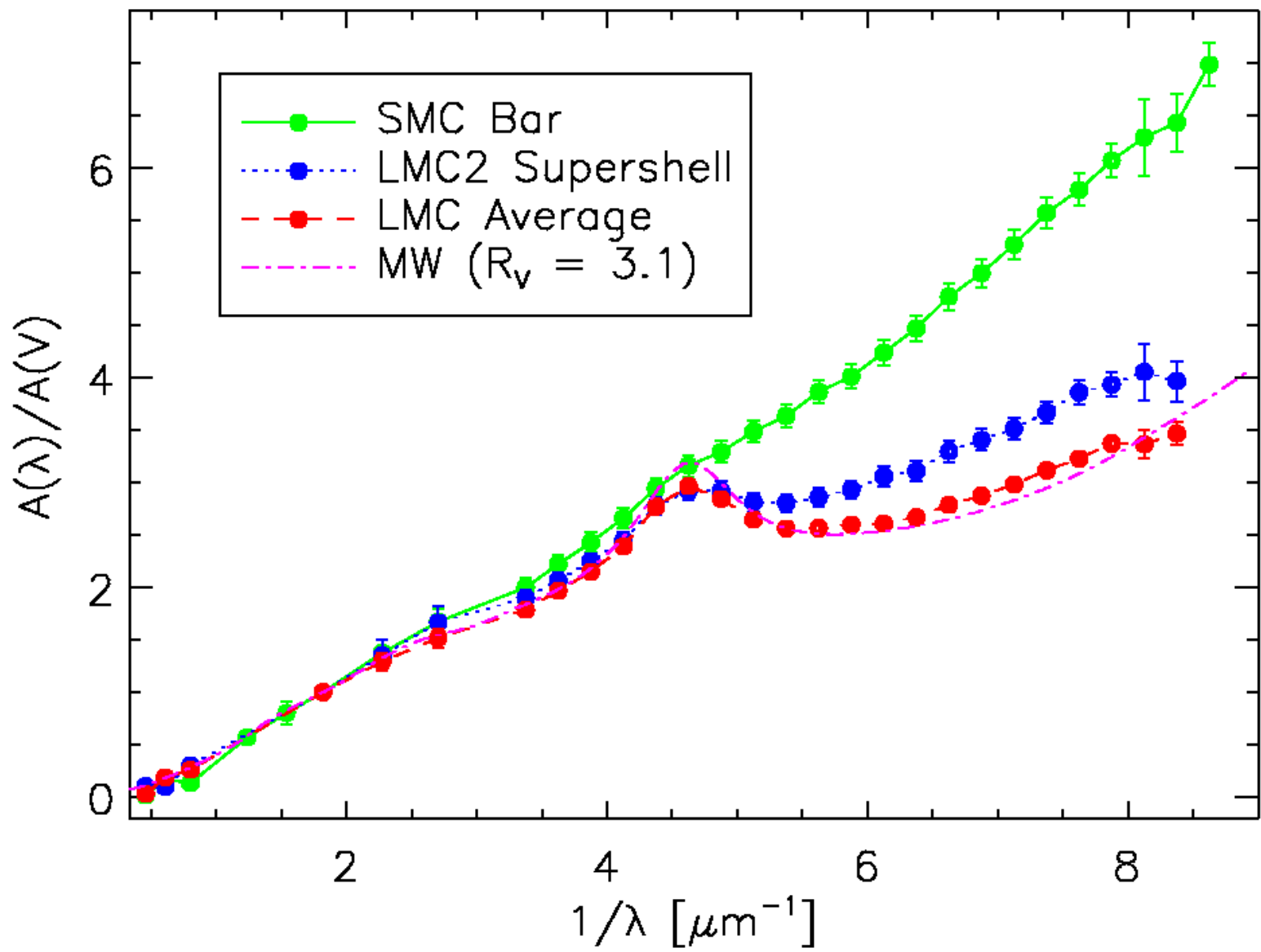
Gordon & Clayton (1998, ApJ, 500, 816)  
 Gordon et al. (2003, ApJ, 594, 279)

H $\alpha$  image of the SMC

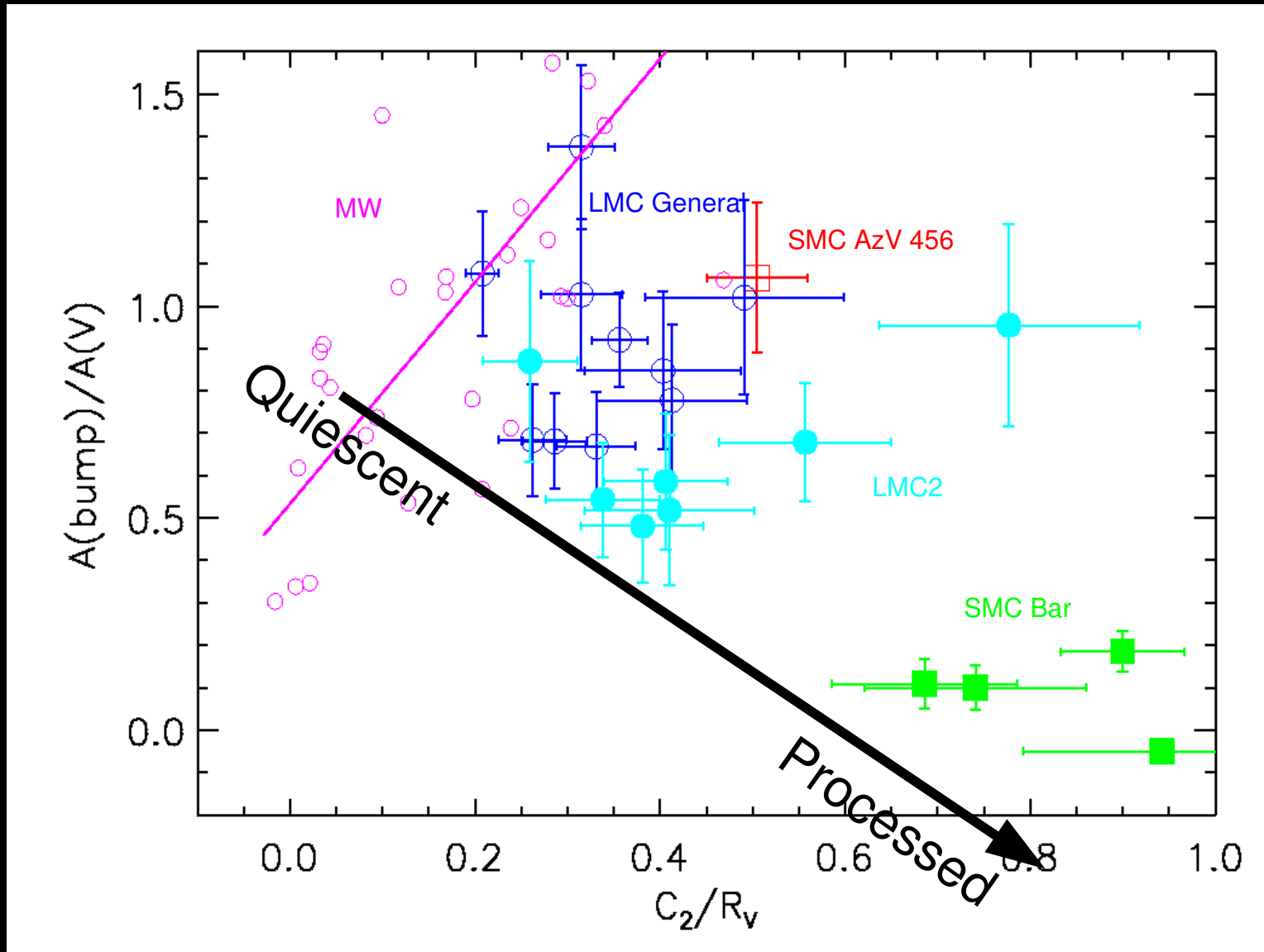
# Local Group Extinction Curves

- Does the known extinction curves in the Milky Way, Large Magellanic Cloud, and Small Magellanic Cloud support nearby star formation suppressing 2175 Å bump?
- SMC? Yes.
  - absent 2175 Å bump in star forming Bar, strong 2175 Å in Wing
    - Gordon & Clayton, 1998, ApJ, 500, 816
- LMC? Yes.
  - weaker 2175 Å bump near LMC-2 supershell (in 30 Dor region)
    - Misselt, Clayton, & Gordon 1999, ApJ, 515, 128
- MW? Yes.
  - weak 2175 Å along low density sightlines with evidence for processing
    - Clayton, Gordon, & Wolff 2000, ApJS, 129, 147
  - absent 2175 Å bump once foreground subtracted from HD 204827
    - Valencic, Clayton, & Gordon 2003, ApJ, 598, 369

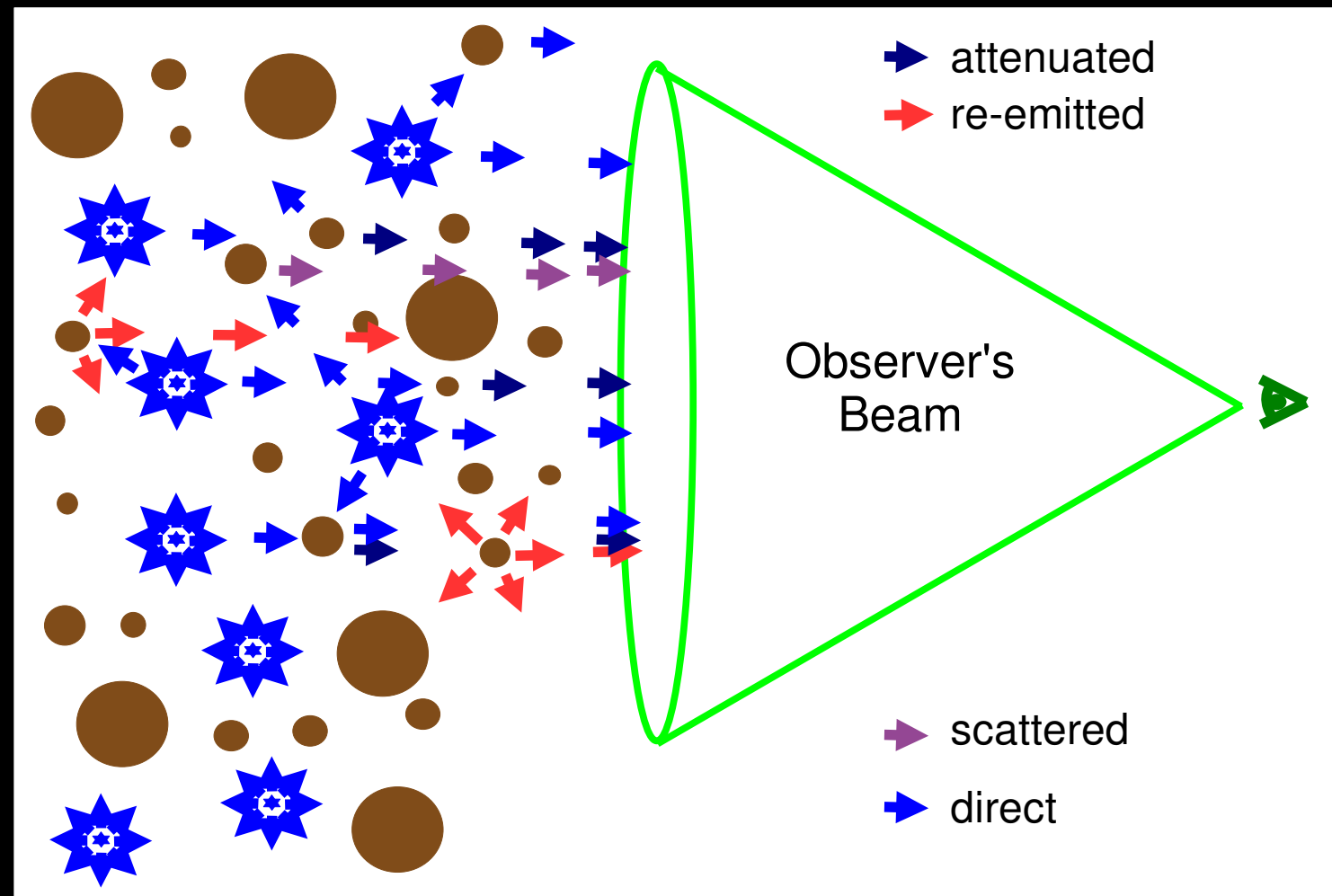




# Known UV Extinction Curves: Continuum of Properties



# Mixed Stars & Dust



- Observations in beam includes multiple stars attenuated by differing amounts of dust and dust scattered starlight
- Least attenuated stars contribute the most light
- Scattered light included in the beam (reduces attenuation)
- Attenuation is now dependent on both the dust grain properties and the geometry of the stars/dust

# Empirical Starburst Attenuation Curve

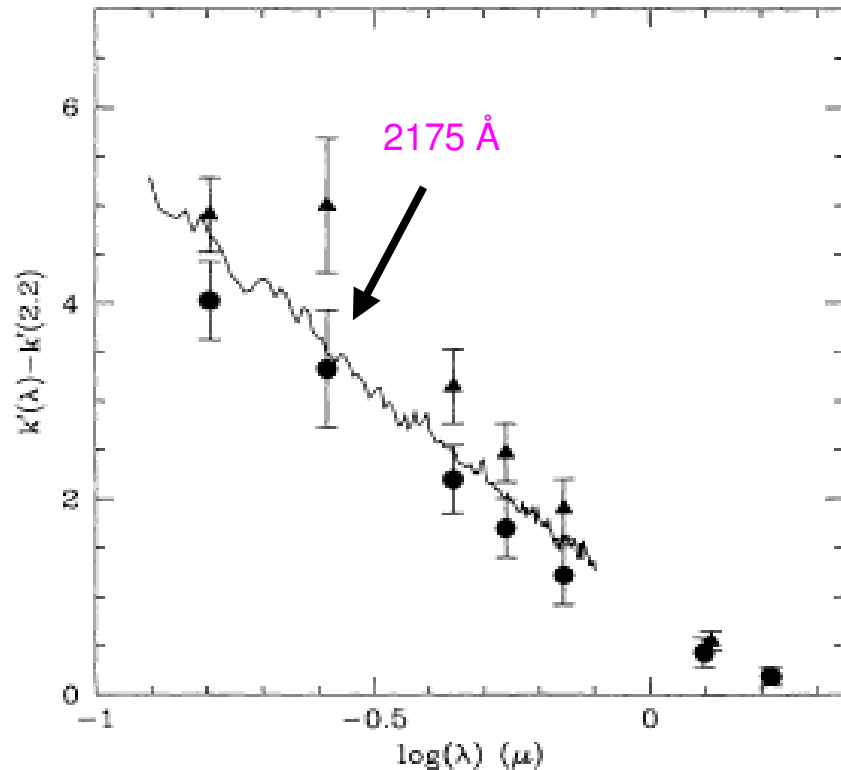
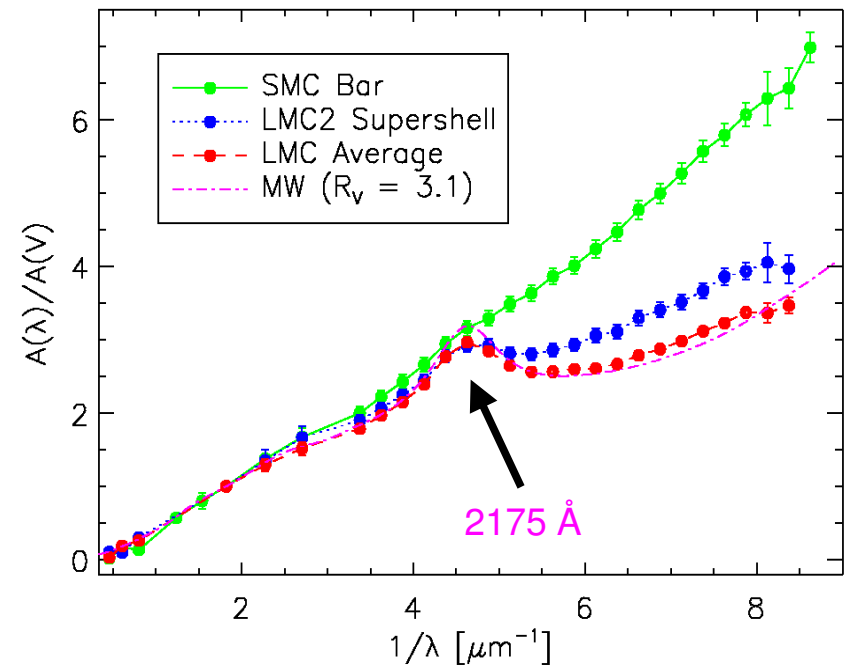


FIG. 6. The obscuration curve derived from the stellar continuum flux densities of the starburst galaxies in the sample. The vertical axis shows the difference  $k'(\lambda) - k'(2.2)$ , where the  $K$ -band ( $2.2 \mu\text{m}$ ) flux densities are the selected reference values. The horizontal axis is  $\log \lambda (\mu\text{m})$ . The filled circles are from the  $E(B - V)_{H\alpha/H\beta}$  fits; the filled triangles are from the  $E(B - V)_{H\beta/H\gamma}$  fits. The  $1\sigma$  uncertainties are reported. The obscuration curve derived by CKS94 is overlapped, with the  $V$ -band value arbitrarily chosen to be  $k'(0.55) - k'(2.2) = 2$  (continuous line).

Starbursts = no  $2175 \text{ \AA}$  bump  
Almost all known extinction curves show a  $2175 \text{ \AA}$  bump.  
Only SMC does not - but this is usually attributed to metallicity



# The DIRTY Model

DIRTY = Dust| Radiative Transfer, Yeah!

Monte Carlo Techniques for the Radiative Transfer

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Arbitrary Geometries of  
photon emitters (stars & gas)  
and  
photon scatterers and absorbers (dust)

and

Analytic Techniques for the Dust Emission

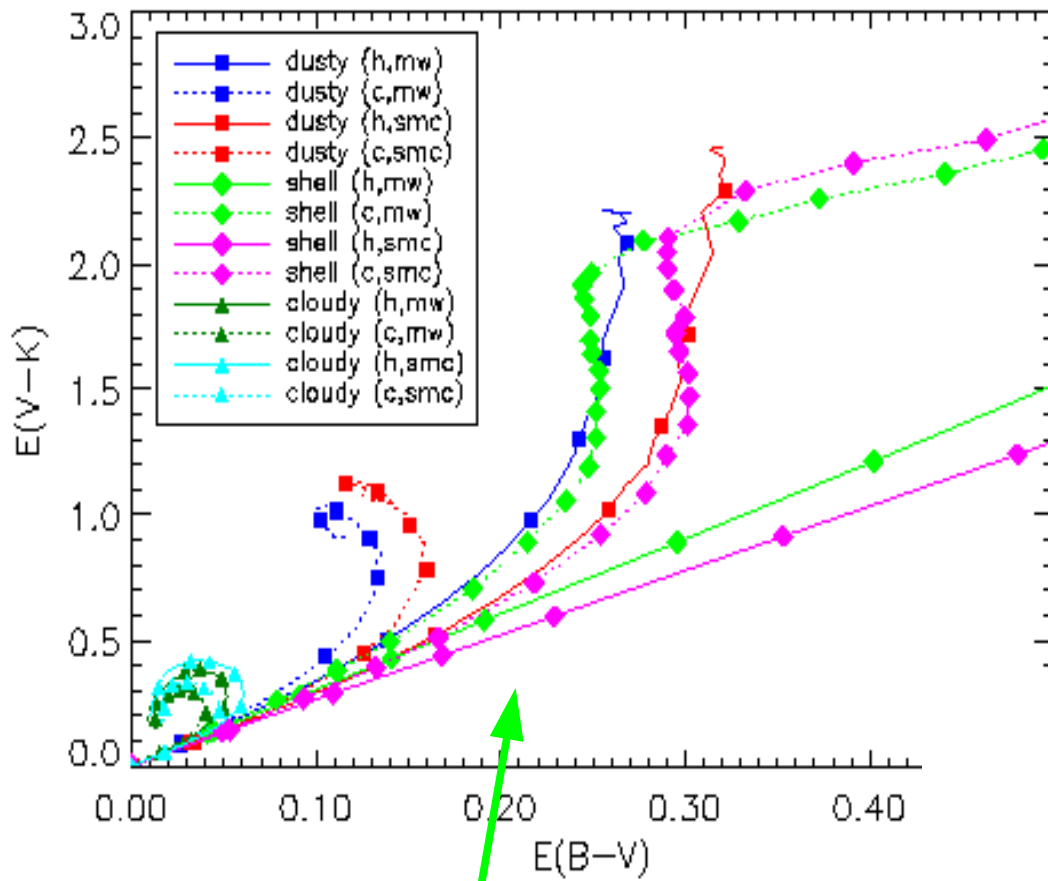
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Equilibrium heating (large grains)  
Non-equilibrium (transient) heating (small grains)  
Aromatic features (molecules - large PAHs?)

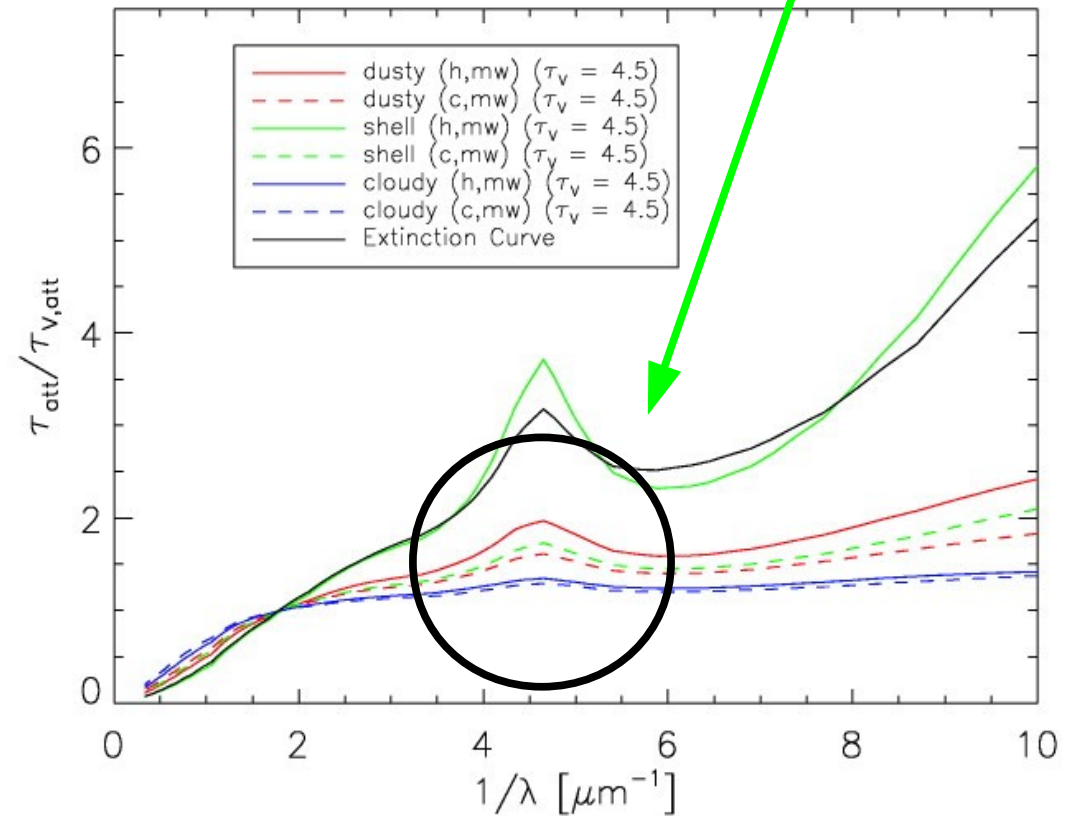
# Radiative Transfer Effects

Witt & Gordon (1996; 2000)

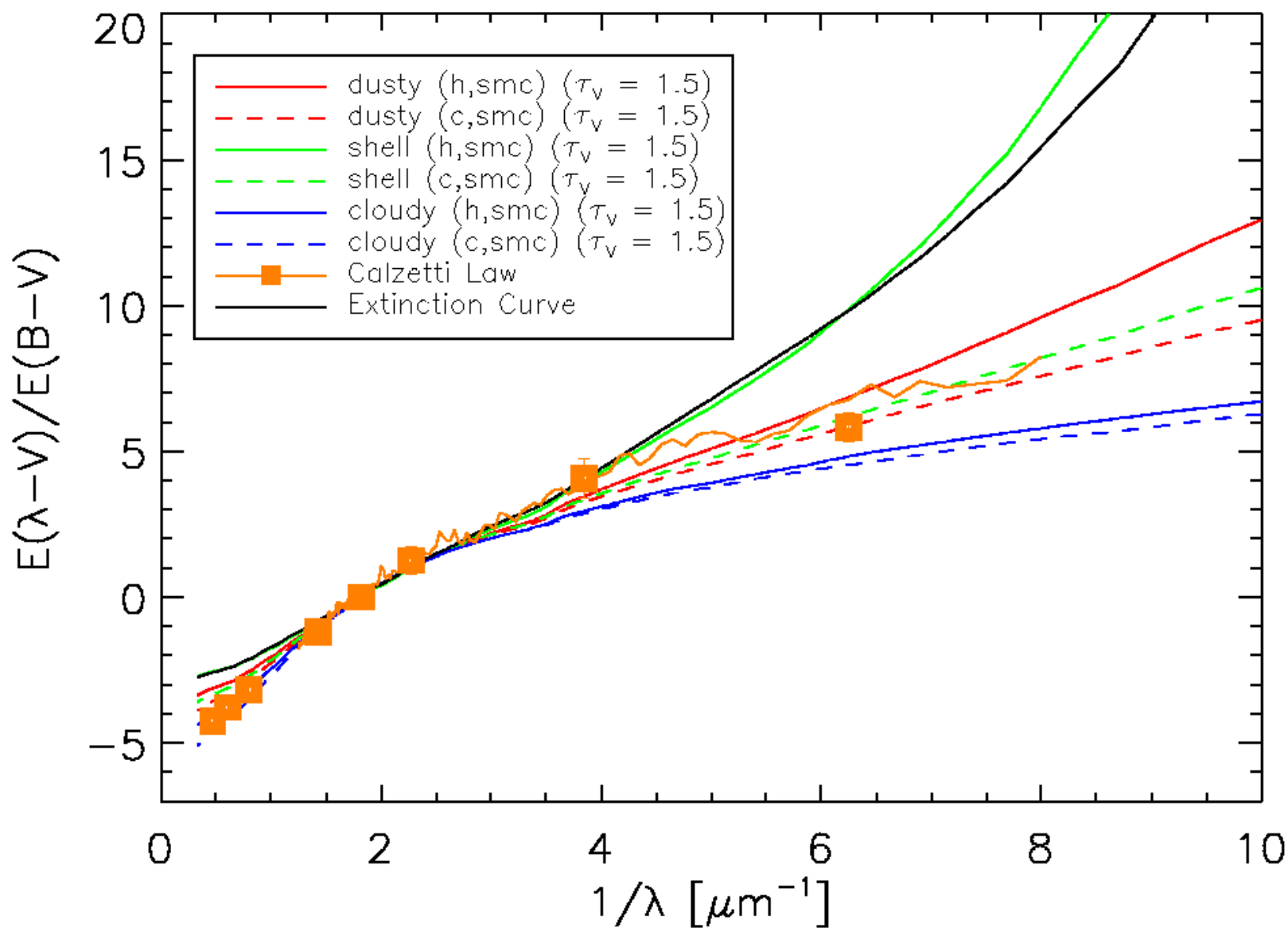
Shape of **attenuation curves** not constant, but depends on the **geometry** as well as the **dust type**. **2175 Å bump** can be suppressed, but with the result of gray UV extinction



Affects of dust now **reddening trajectories** instead of **reddening arrows**. Dependent on **star/dust geometry**, **amount of dust**, and **clumpiness of dust**, instead of just **type of dust**

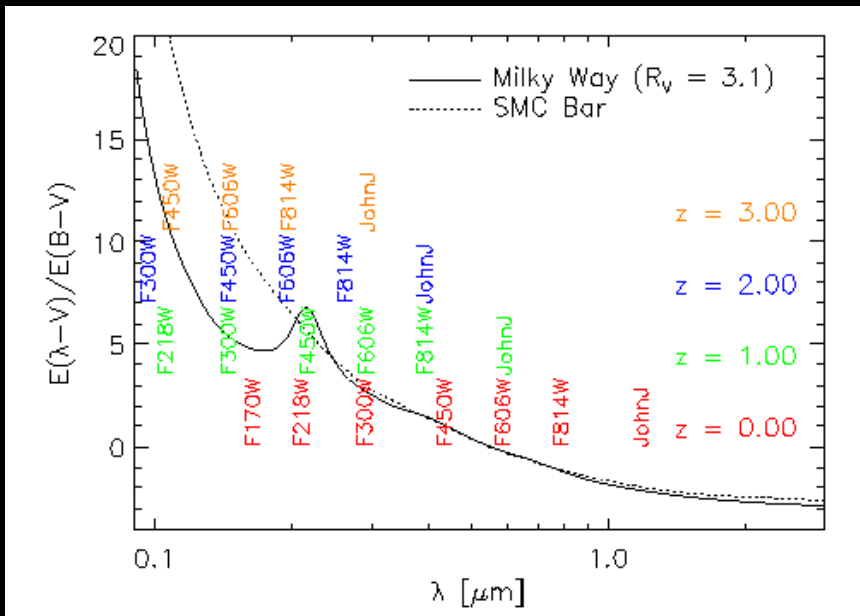
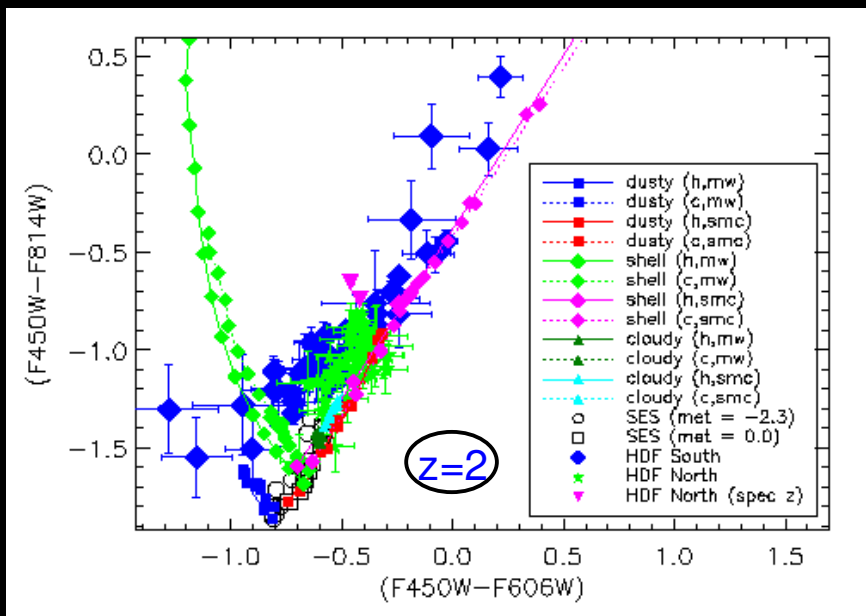
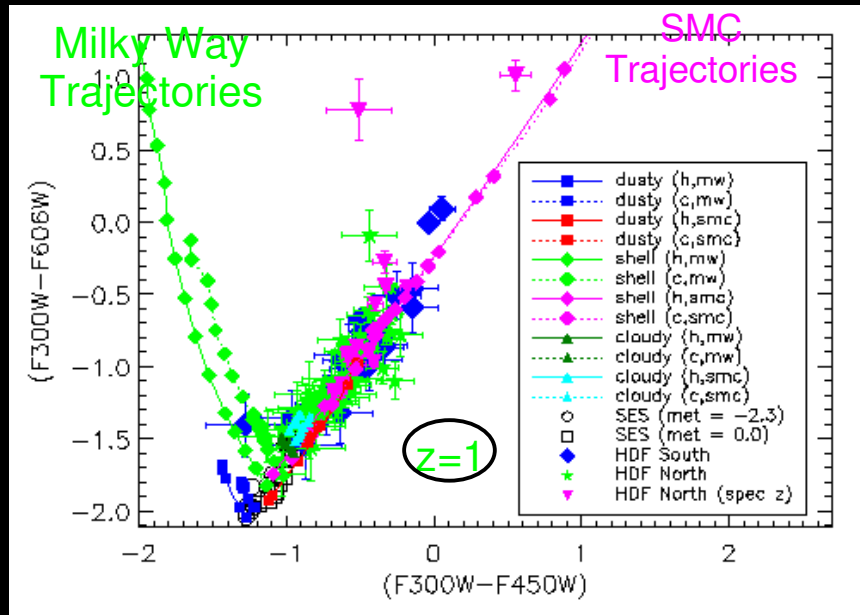
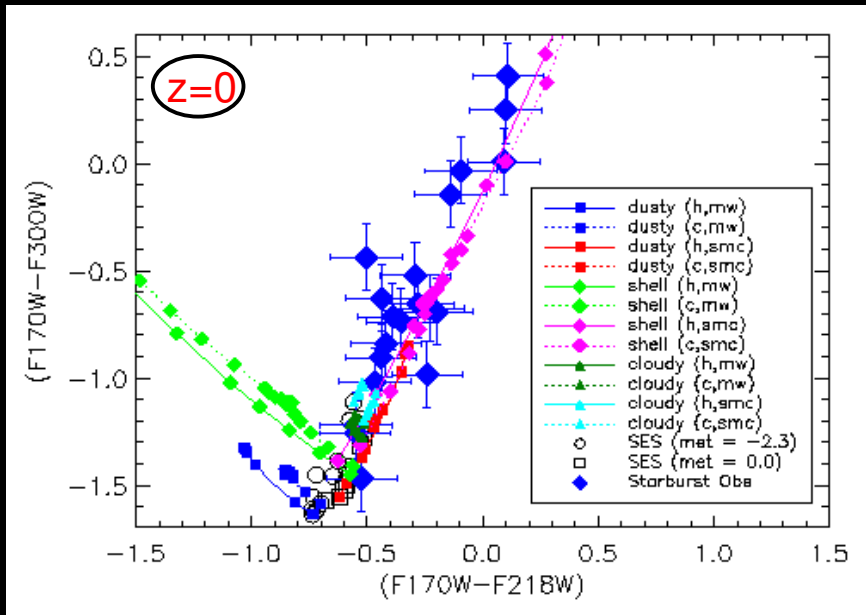


# Calzetting Law is clumpy SHELL with $\tau(V) = 1.5$ SMC Dust



# Dust in Starburst Galaxies

## $z=0-2$



Gordon, Smith, & Clayton  
(1997, ASP Conf. Proc. v. 193, 517)



# “High” redshift galaxies

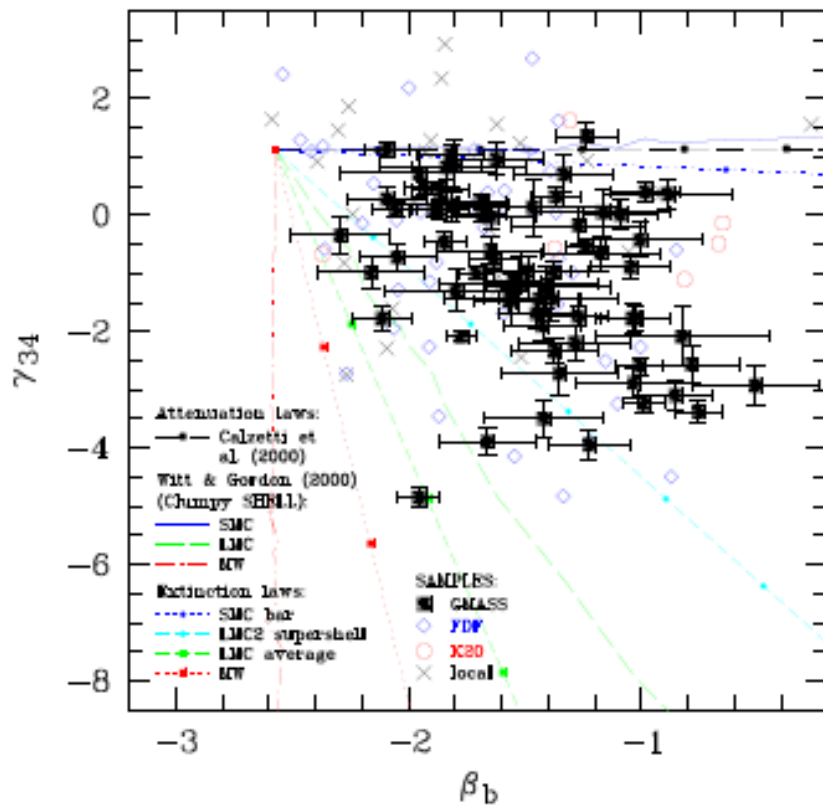


Fig. 3. The UV-bump indicator  $\gamma_{34}$  versus the UV reddening measure  $\beta_b$  for the GMASS (filled squares), FDF (open lozenges), and K20 galaxies (open circles) at  $1.5 < z < 2.5$ , and a comparison sample of 24 local starburst galaxies (crosses; see NP05). The diagram also shows different dust attenuation models (see legend) for a Maraston (2005) model with Salpeter IMF, continuous SF, an age of 100 Myr, and solar metallicity. The symbols are plotted in intervals of  $\Delta E_{B-V} = 0.1$ . A Maraston model with a SF  $e$ -folding time of 3 Gyr and an age of 3 Gyr would produce intrinsically redder continua and, thus, would slightly shift the plotted model curves by 0.20 to the right and by 0.08 to the top.

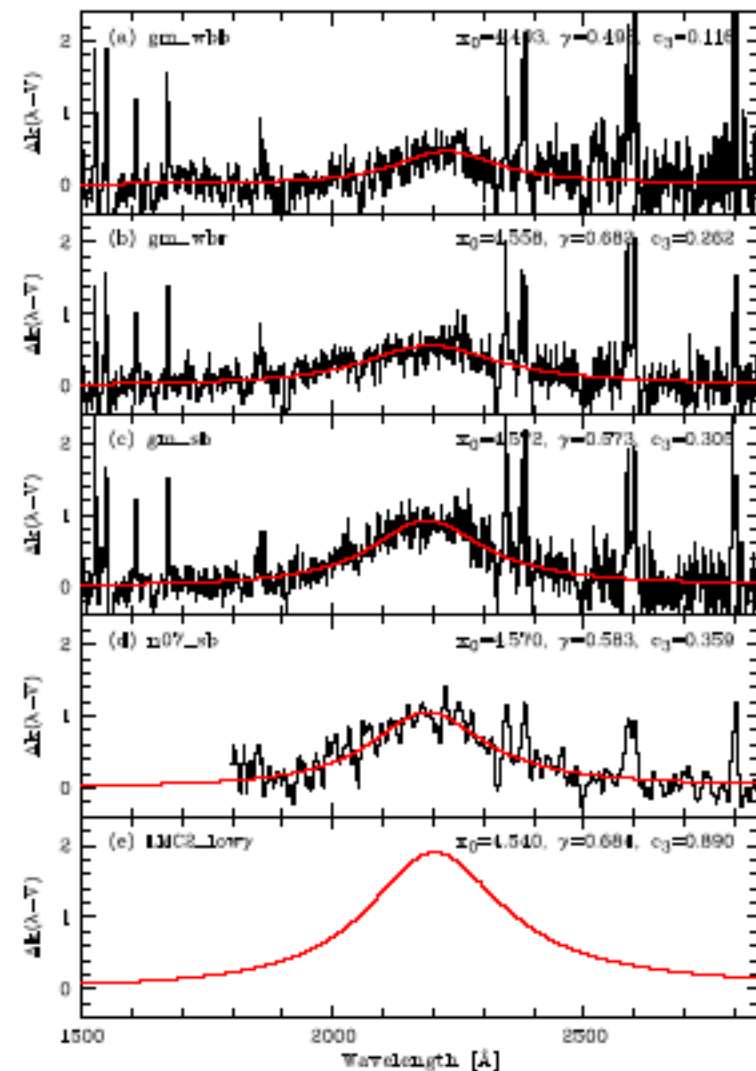


Fig. 7. Best Lorentzian fits of the bump component of the average extinction curves of the three GMASS subsamples at  $1.5 < z < 2.5$  (a - c) and a subsample of FDF and K20 galaxies at  $1.0 < z < 1.5$  with  $\gamma_{34} < -2$  (d). Moreover, the average 2175 Å bump of a sample of measurements in the LMC 2 supershell region close to 30 Dor showing low  $\gamma$  is presented (e). More details about the samples and the fits can be found in Table 2.

# Gravitational Lensed QSOs

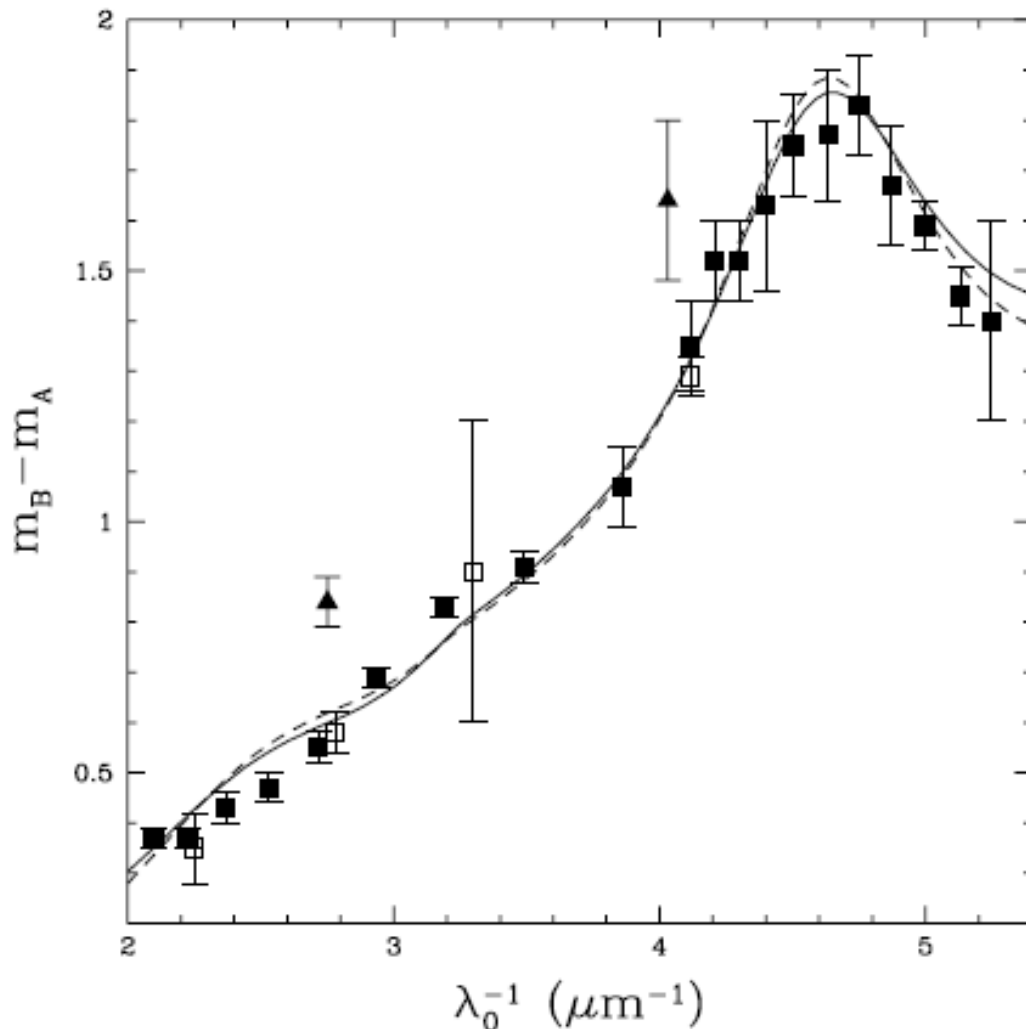


FIG. 4.—*Filled squares:* Magnitude differences ( $m_B - m_A$ ) obtained from continuum images as a function of inverse wavelength in the lens galaxy rest frame. *Open squares:*  $B$ ,  $V$ ,  $R$ , and  $I$  broadband observations (Kochanek et al. 1997; Lehár et al. 2000). *Solid line:* Best fit of the analytical average MW extinction law to the observed extinction curve (*filled squares*) for a fixed  $z = 0.83$ . The values  $R_V = 2.1 \pm 0.9$  and differential extinction  $E(B-V) = 0.21 \pm 0.02$  were obtained in the fit. *Filled triangles:*  $m_B - m_A$  differences computed from the emission in the  $\text{Mg II}$  and  $\text{C III}$  lines. *Dashed line:* Best fit for  $R_V = 3.1$ .

Gravitational lens  
SBS 0909+532  $z = 0.83$   
QSO at  $z = 1.38$

(Difference between two  
extinction curves,  
McGough et al. 2005, ApJ, 624, 118)

# Gamma Ray Bursts

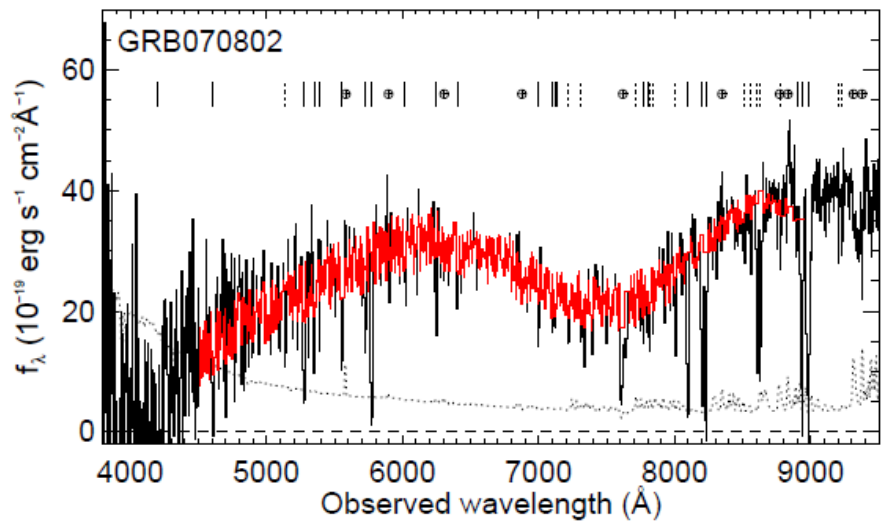
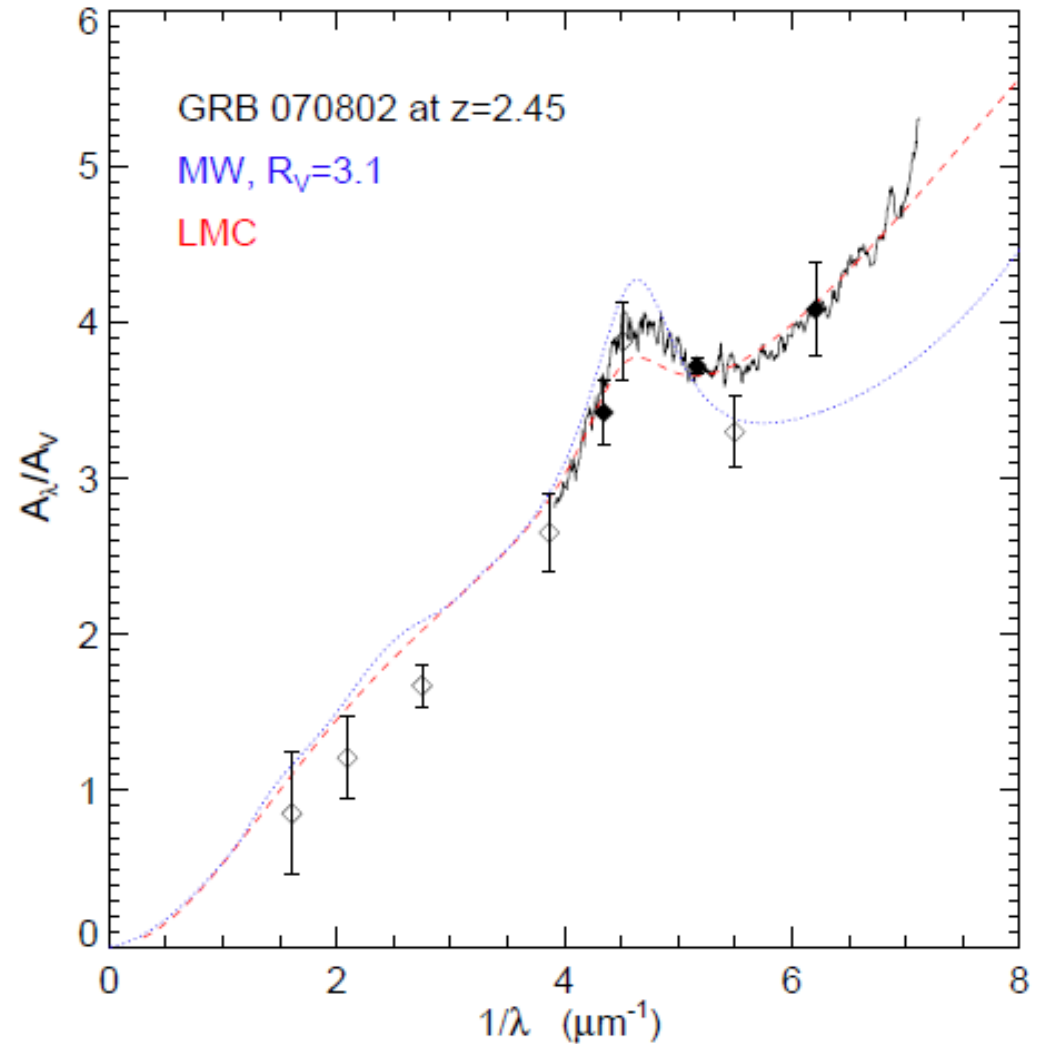
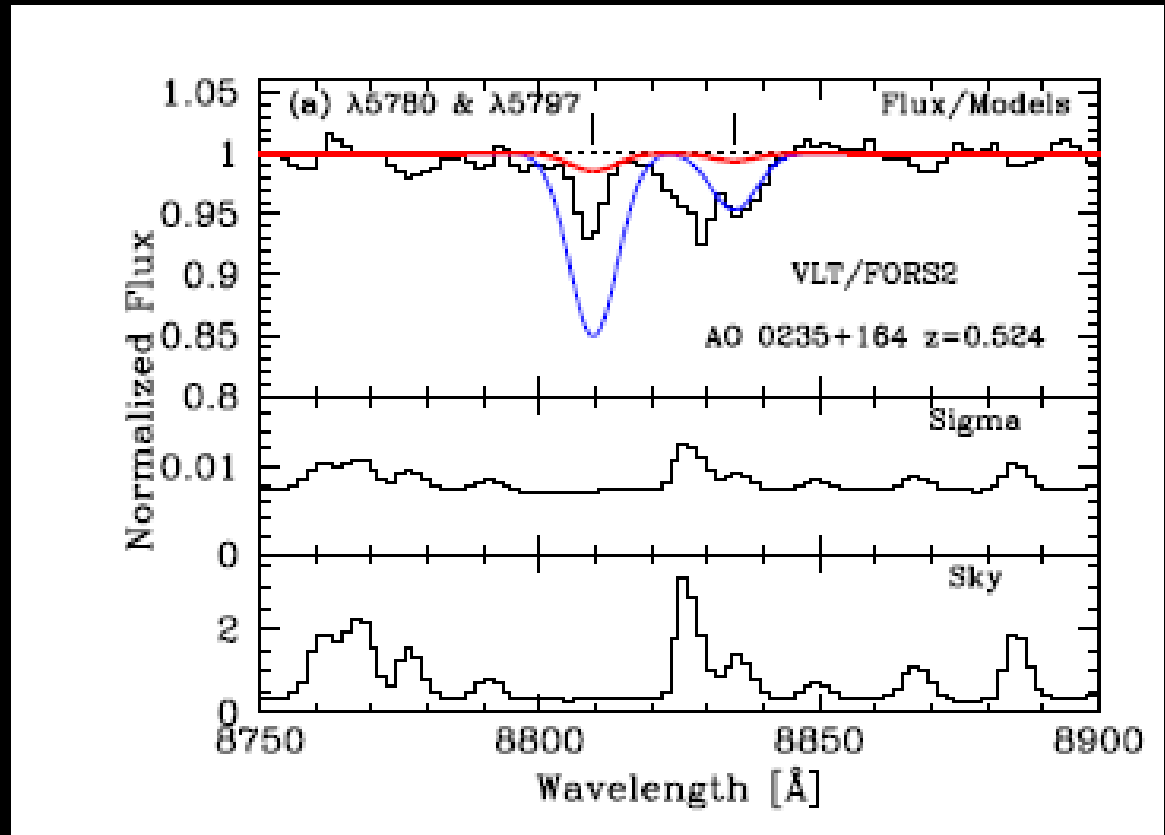


FIG. 1.— The flux-calibrated spectrum of the GRB 070802 afterglow vs. observed wavelength. Metal lines at the host redshift are marked with solid lines whereas the lines from the two intervening systems are marked with dotted lines. The broad depression centered around 7500  $\text{\AA}$  is caused by the 2175  $\text{\AA}$  extinction bump in the host system at  $z_{\text{abs}} = 2.4549$ . The cleaned spectrum used for the extinction curve analysis in § 3 is overplotted in red. Telluric features are indicated with  $\oplus$ .



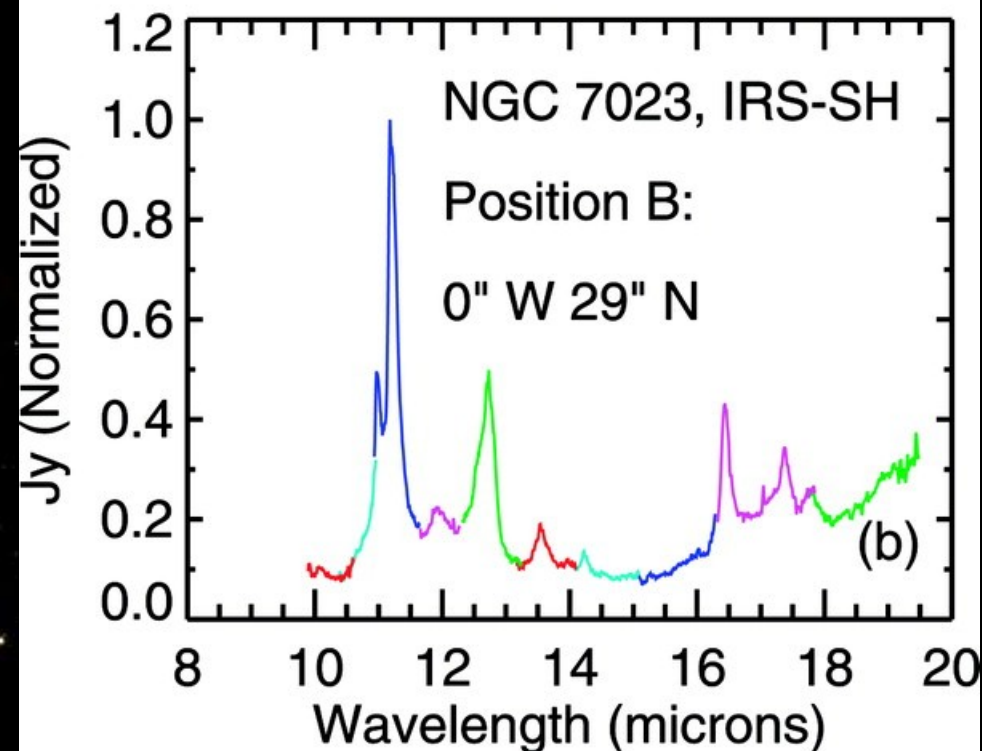
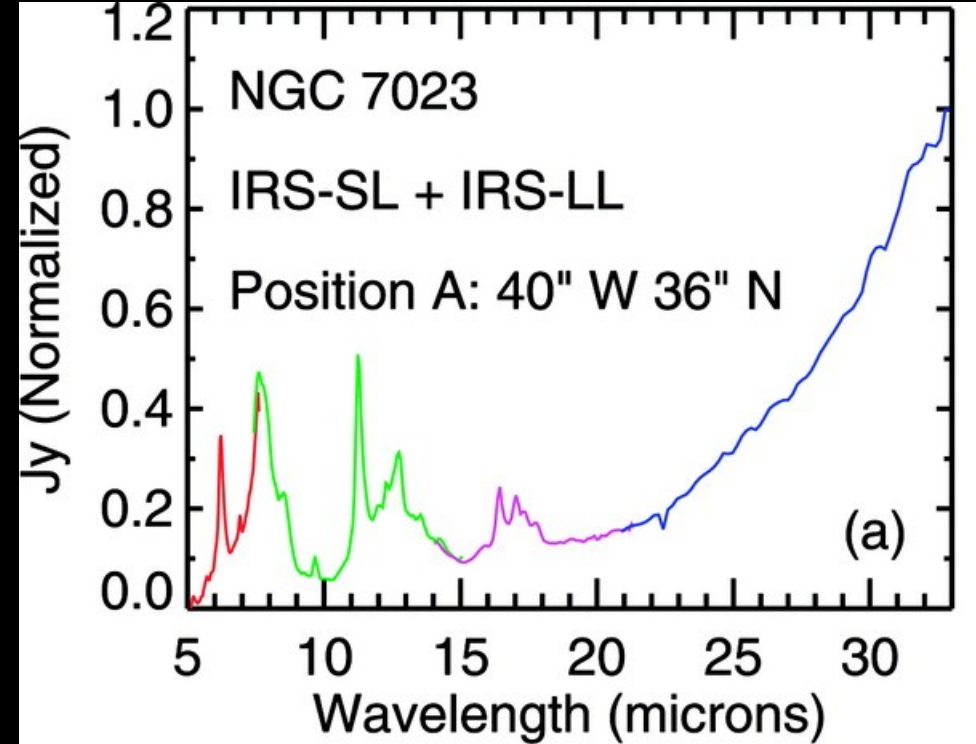
# Extragalactic DIBs

LMC/SMC DIBs  
show variations similar  
and correlated with  
UV properties  
(Cox et al. 2006, 2007)



# What are the Aromatic Features?

- Emission features seen in many dusty astrophysical objects
- Main features at 3.3, 6.2, 7.7, 8.6, 11.3, 17.0  $\mu\text{m}$
- Spectrum of NGC 7023 – bright reflection nebula often observed for dust emission



# Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons

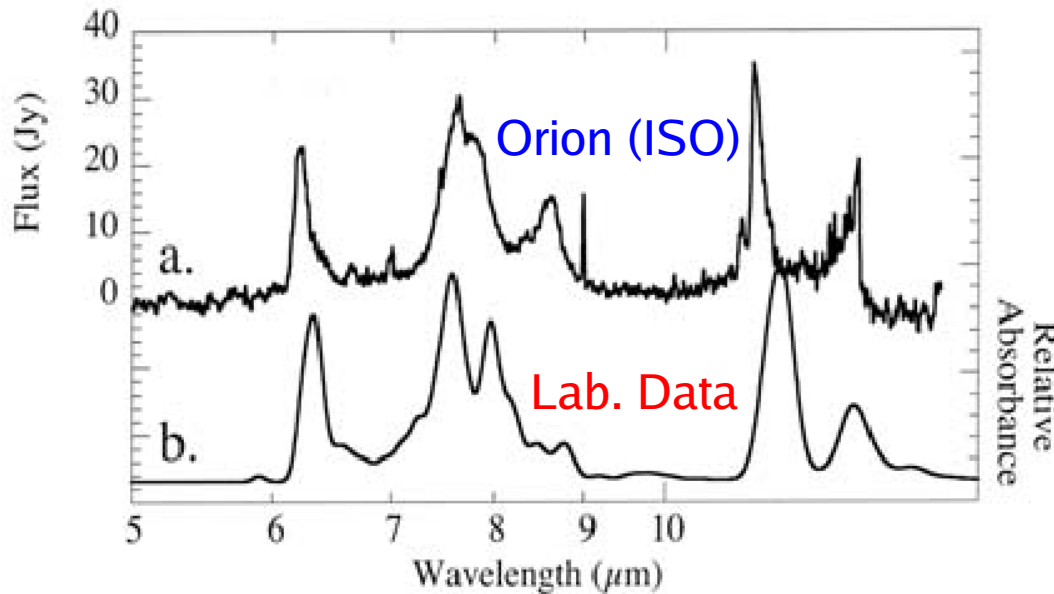
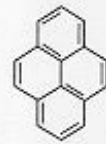


Figure 5. A comparison of a simple visual fit consisting of the coadded spectra of 11 neutral and ionized PAHs to the IR emission spectrum of the Orion ionization ridge (trace a). The model illustrates that the concerted emission of mixtures of neutral and ionized PAH species can accommodate all the salient features of the interstellar spectrum. The composition of the model spectrum and the details of the modeling procedure can be found elsewhere (Allamandola, Hudgins, & Sandford 1999; Peeters et al. 2002). The Orion spectrum was measured by the ISO SWS instrument and is adapted from Peeters et al. (2002).

## PAH Structures

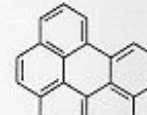
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Pyrene  
C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>10</sub>



Coronene  
C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>12</sub>

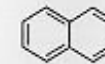


iso[ghi]perylene  
C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>12</sub>

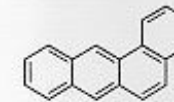


Ovalene  
C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>14</sub>

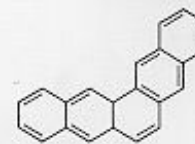
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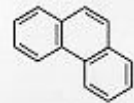
Naphthalene  
C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>8</sub>



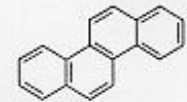
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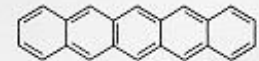
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C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>14</sub>



Phenanthrene  
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Chrysene  
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Pentacene  
C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>14</sub>

Hudgins, D. M. & Allamandola, L. J.  
Astrophysics of Dust,  
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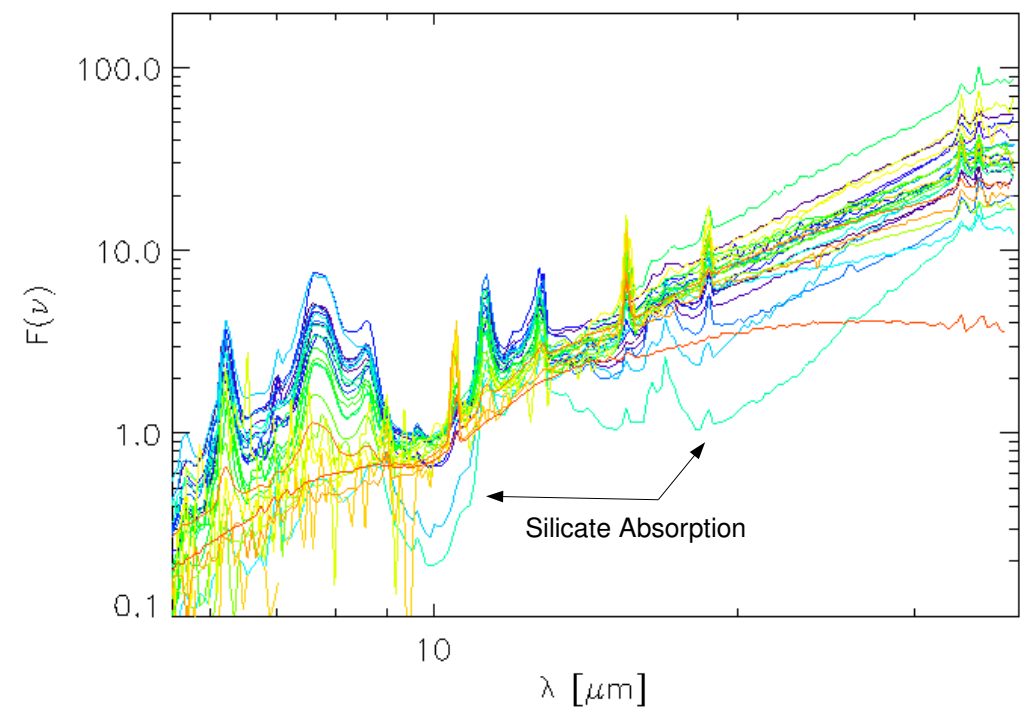
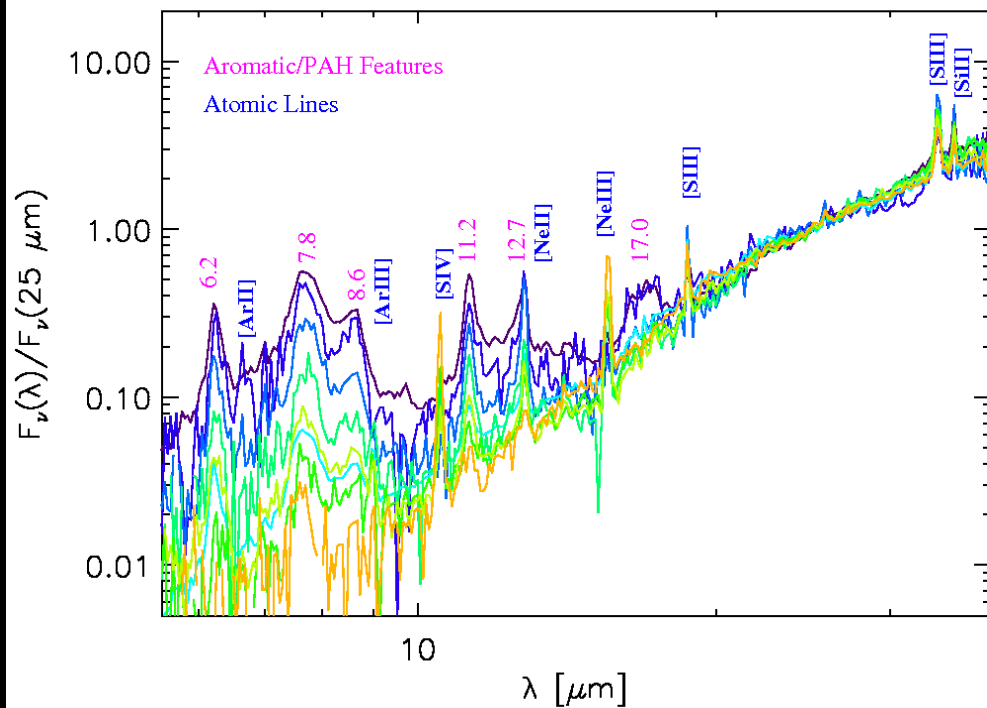
# M101 & Starburst Galaxies with Spitzer/IRS

## ● M101

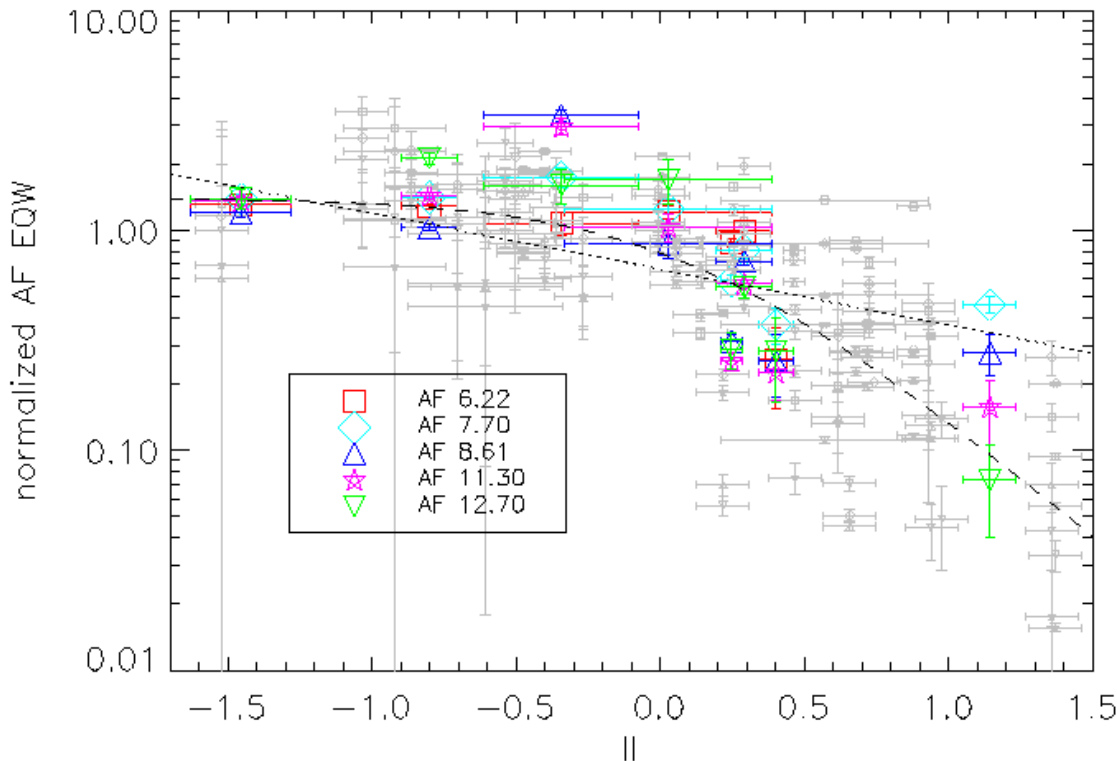
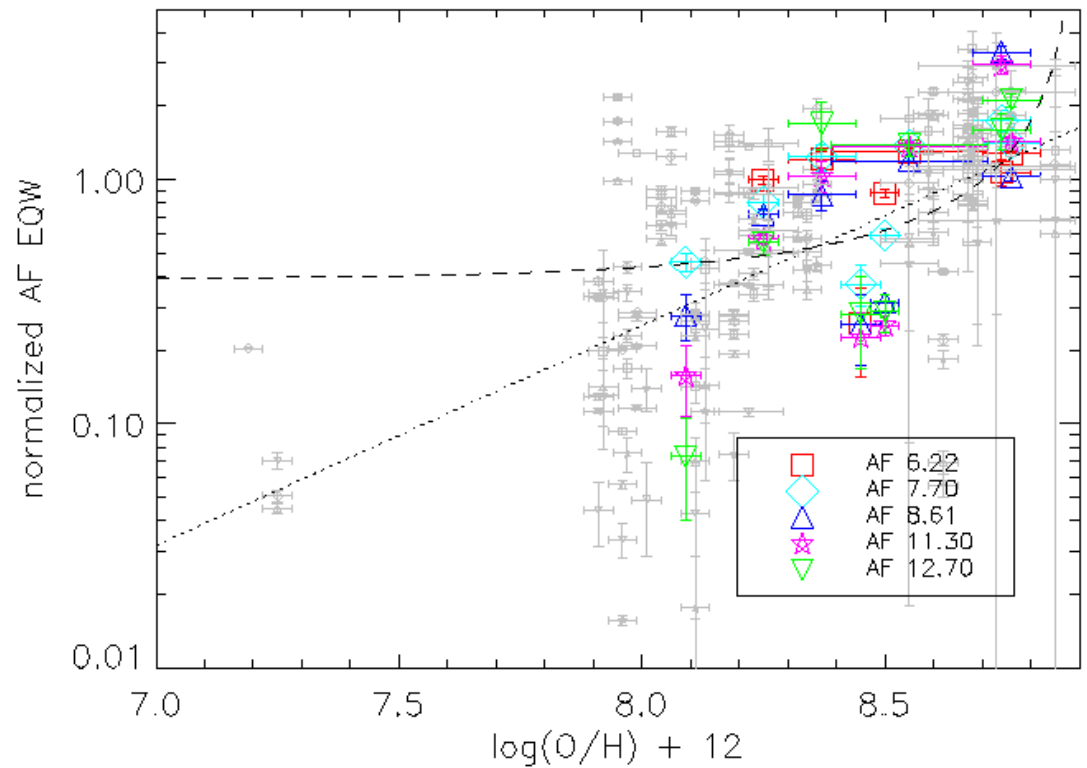
- Observed in cluster mode with small spectral maps
- Reduced using CUBISM (JD Smith)
- All 6 IRS low-res orders merged
- Expanding aperture used for extraction

## ● Starbursts

- Observed with simple staring observations
- Reduced using SPICE and IRAF
- All 4 main IRS low-res orders merged
- Full slit extraction



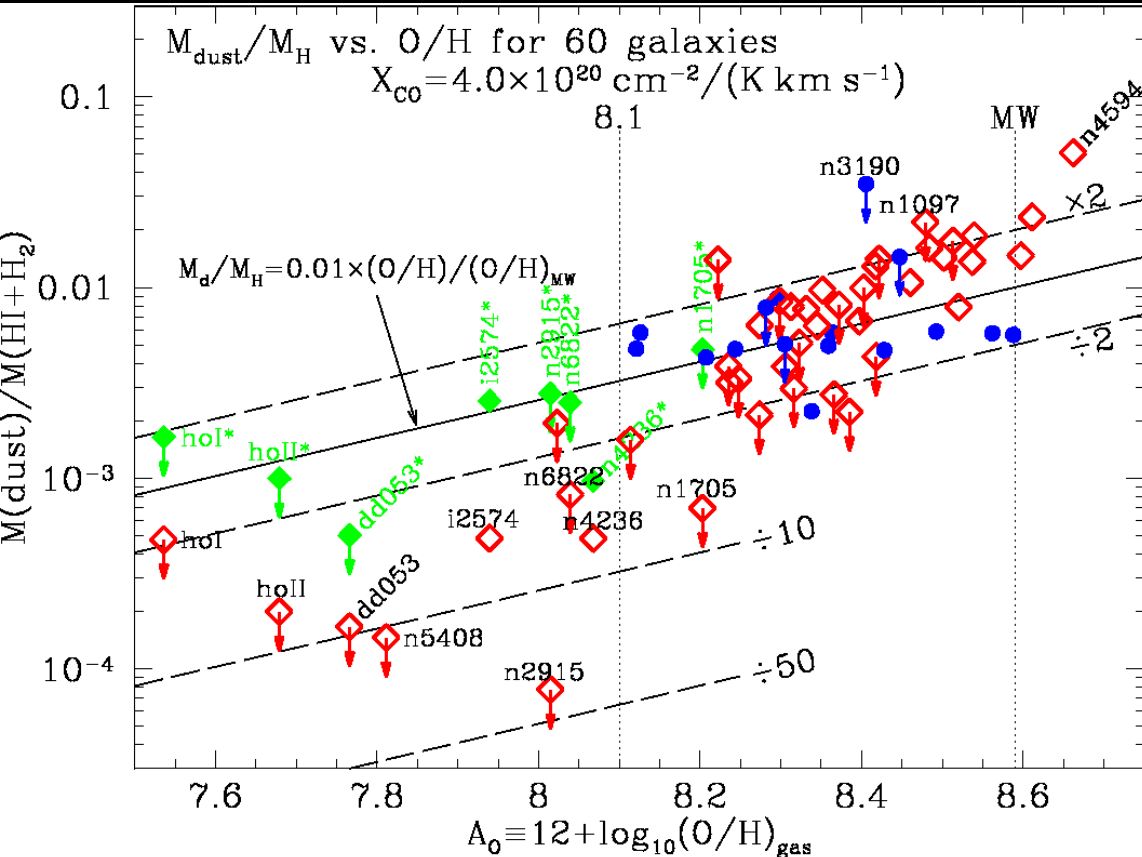
# M101 HII Region and Starburst Nuclei Normalized Equivalent Widths of Aromatics



Starbursts also show better correlation with II, but with more scatter.

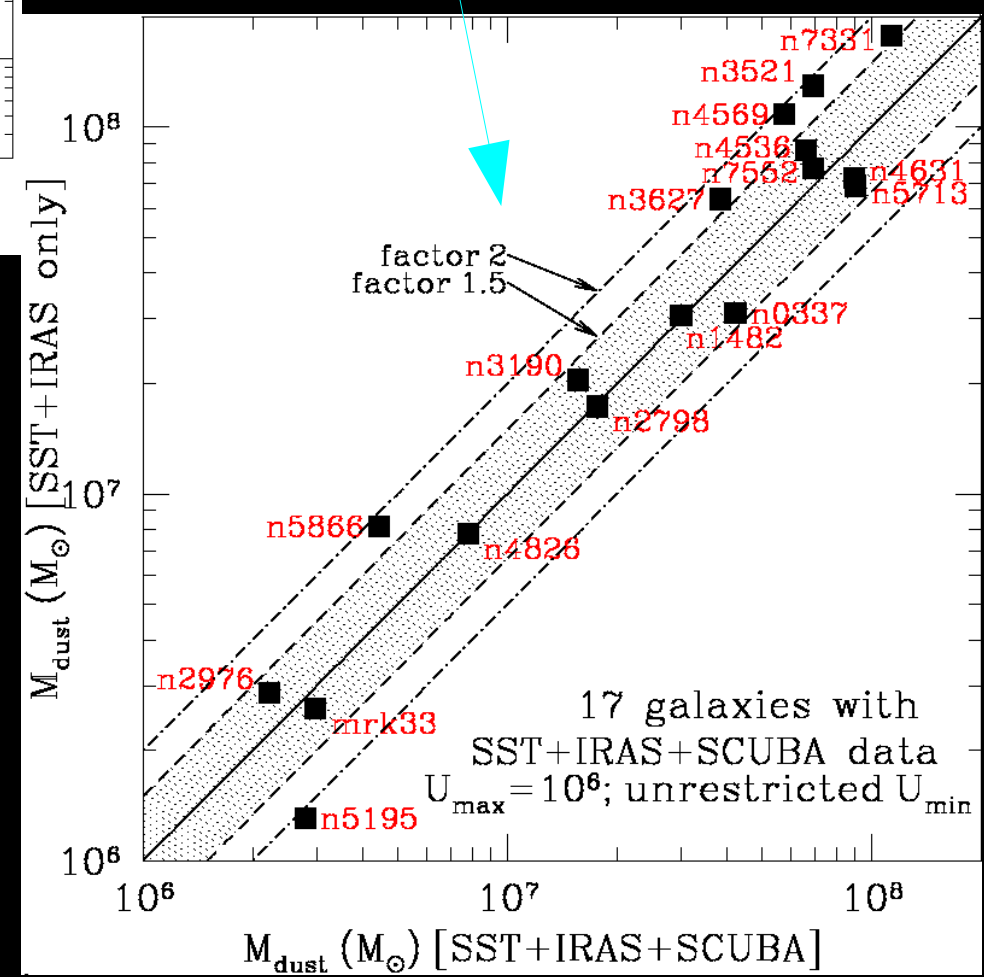
M101 measurements and plot from:  
Gordon, K. D. et al. 2008, ApJ, 682, 336  
Starburst measurements from:  
Engelbracht, C. E. et al. 2008, ApJ, 678, 804





# Modeling of Global SEDs

No need for large amounts of submm cold dust (within factor of 1.5-2)



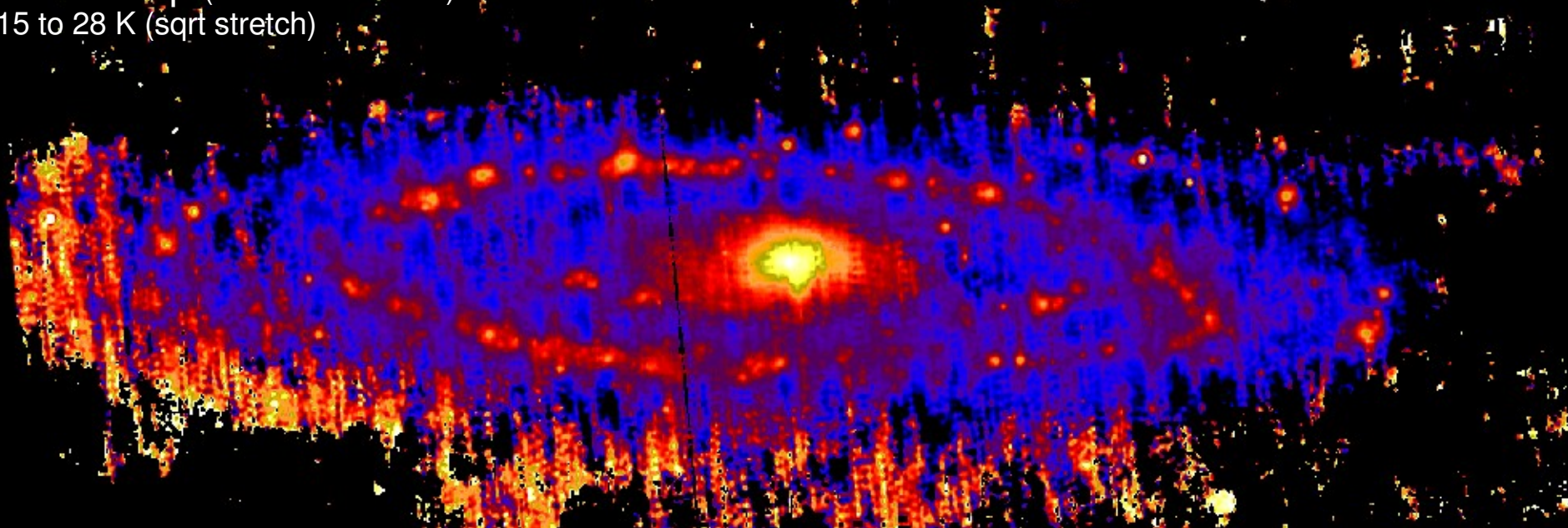
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# Magellanic Clouds

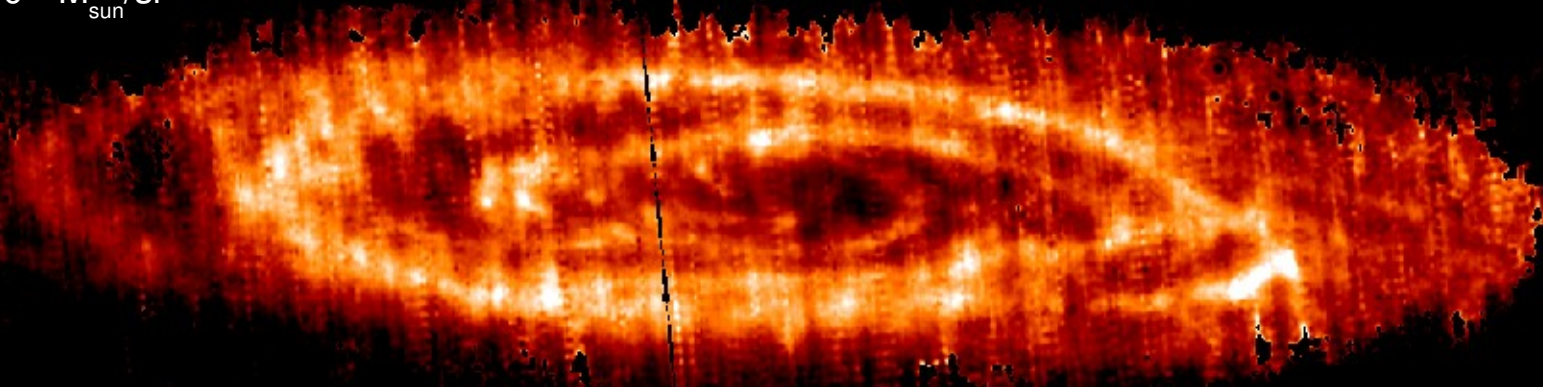
- Internal variations in gas-to-dust ratio by approx. a factor of 2
  - From the UV,  $N(\text{HI})/A(V)$ , Gordon et al. 2003
  - From the IR/radio in the LMC, Bernard et al. 2008
- Is lower than expected in the SMC based on metallicity
  - Metallicity 5x lower, IR/radio dust-to-gas ratio 12x lower (Body and Tail)
  - Bot et al. 2004, Gordon et al. 2009
- Local variations in gas-to-dust ratio tracking processing?
  - Tentative evidence from UV, Gordon et al. 2003

# M31

Dust Temp (from 70/160 ratio)  
15 to 28 K (sqrt stretch)



Dust Mass  
 $1 \times 10^{10}$  to  $2 \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{sr}$

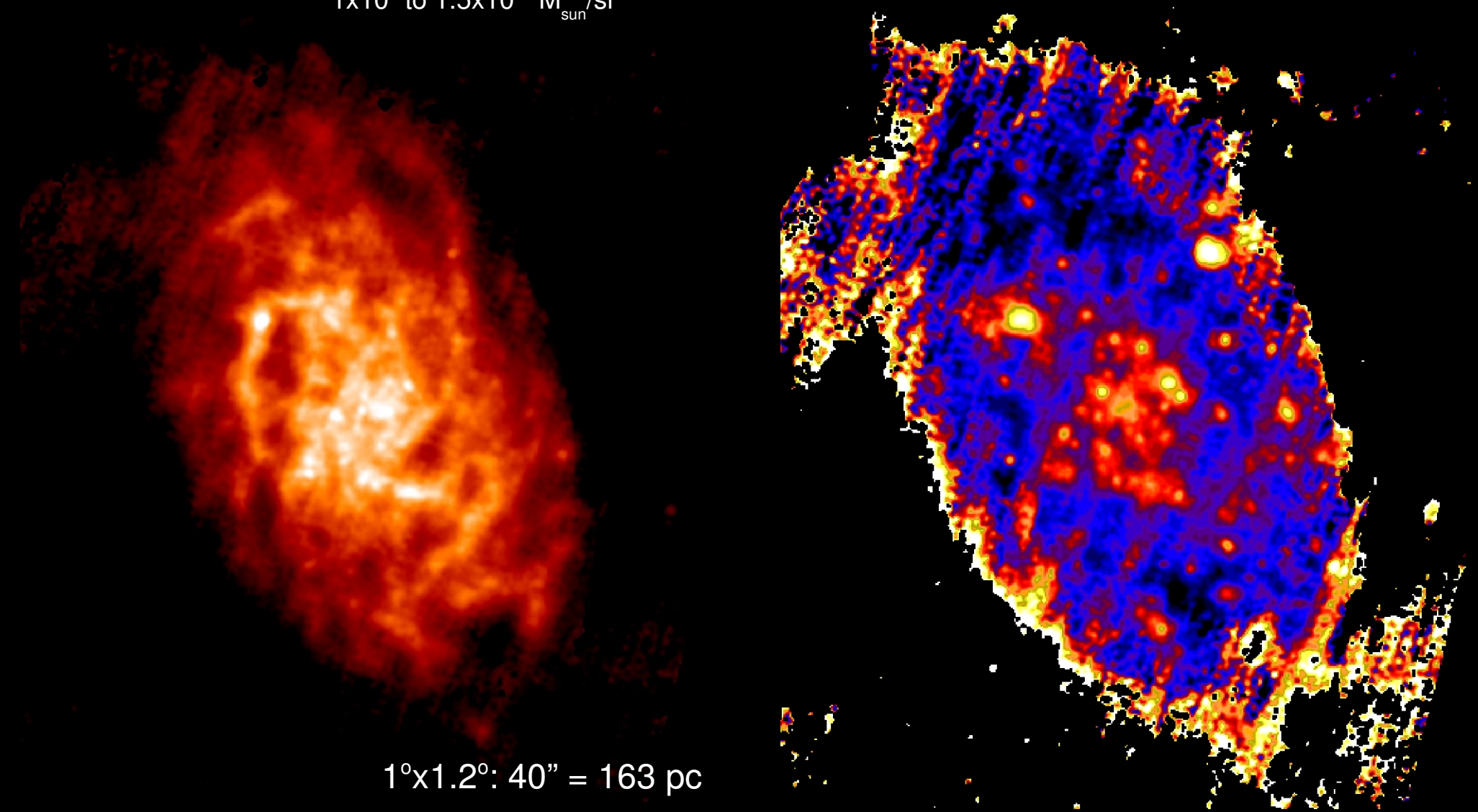


$3^\circ \times 1^\circ: 40'' = 151 \text{ pc}$

# M33

Dust Mass  
 $1 \times 10^9$  to  $1.5 \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{sr}$

Dust Temp (from 70/160 ratio)  
15 to 28 K (sqrt stretch)



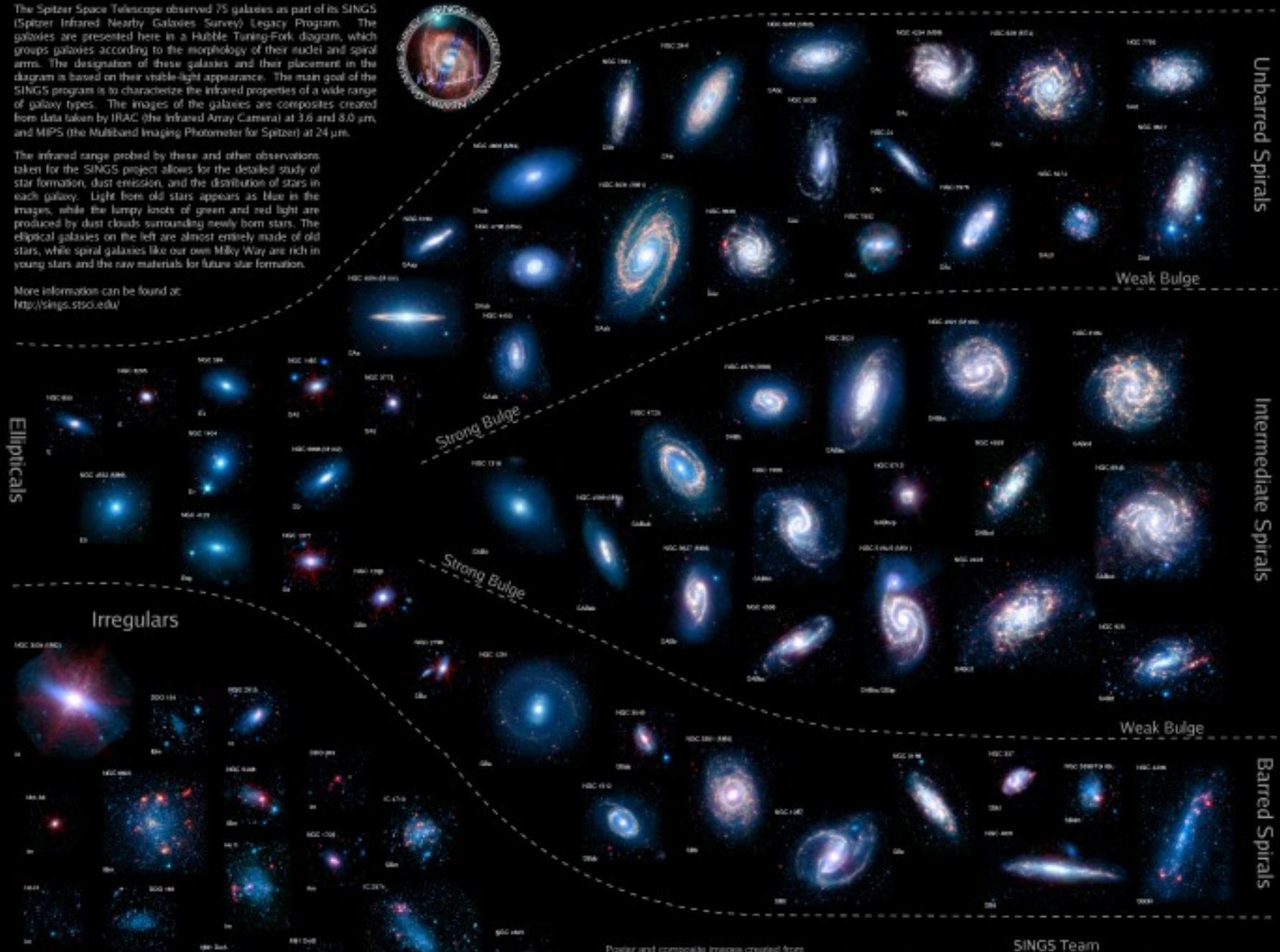
$1^\circ \times 1.2^\circ: 40'' = 163 \text{ pc}$

# The Spitzer Infrared Nearby Galaxies Survey (SINGS) Hubble Tuning-Fork

The Spitzer Space Telescope observed 75 galaxies as part of its SINGS (Spitzer Infrared Nearby Galaxies Survey) Legacy Program. The galaxies are presented here in a Hubble Tuning-Fork diagram, which groups galaxies according to the morphology of their nuclei and spiral arms. The designation of these galaxies and their placement in the diagram is based on their visible-light appearance. The main goal of the SINGS program is to characterize the infrared properties of a wide range of galaxy types. The images of the galaxies are composites created from data taken by IRAC (the Infrared Array Camera) at 3.6 and 8.0  $\mu\text{m}$ , and MIPS (the Multiband Imaging Photometer for Spitzer) at 24  $\mu\text{m}$ .

The infrared range probed by these and other observations taken for the SINGS project allows for the detailed study of star formation, dust emission, and the distribution of stars in each galaxy. Light from old stars appears as blue in the images, while the lumpy knots of green and red light are produced by dust clouds surrounding newly born stars. The elliptical galaxies on the left are almost entirely made of old stars, while spiral galaxies like our own Milky Way are rich in young stars and the raw materials for future star formation.

More information can be found at: <http://sings.stsci.edu>



Ellipticals

Irregulars

Strong Bulge

Strong Bulge

Weak Bulge

Weak Bulge

Unbarred Spirals

Intermediate Spirals

Barred Spirals

Poster and composite images created from SINGS observations by Karl O. Gordon (co PI) using **BlueIRAC 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$  (Stars)** **GreenIRAC 8.0  $\mu\text{m}$  (Stars)** **OrangeIRAC 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$  (Stars)** **RedMIPS 24  $\mu\text{m}$  (Warm Dust)**

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# THINGS

The HI Nearby  
Galaxy Survey

NGC 2841

NGC 3621

NGC 7331

NGC 4826  
(M64)

NGC 3198

NGC 6946

NGC 3184

NGC 925

NGC 3351  
(M96)

NGC 5194  
(M51)

NGC 3521

NGC 4214

NGC 2976

DDO 53

NGC 1569

NGC 5236  
(M83)

NGC 2366

Our Galaxy  
HI

M81dwB

M81dwA

IC 2574

NGC 4449

NGC 3627  
(M96)

Holmberg II

DDO 154

Holmberg I

NGC 7793

NGC 4736  
(M94)

NGC 3077

Holmberg I

NGC 2903

NGC 5065

NGC 628  
(M74)

NGC 5457  
(M101)

NGC 3031  
(M81)

NGC 2403

↔  
10 kpc

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Data: Walter et al 2006  
Milky Way HI map: Gent et al (1998)  
Milky Way art: NASA/JPL, R. Hurt (SSC)

# Summary

- From UV and IR, a small grain/molecule component of dust is processed by massive star formation
  - Quiescent → processed dust
- Metallicity is important for the **amount** of dust, but not the **type**
- Dust found in the Local Group is consistent with dust found in all other galaxies
- Implication is that dust formation/processing is a **local** phenomenon
- Observations that probe active star formation regions will see a weak/absent 2175 Å bump and weak/absent aromatic features
- Observations that probe quiescent regions will see a strong 2175 Å bump and aromatic features

# Questions?

- What about molecular cloud dust?
  - UV extinction hard to measure (Whittet et al. → no 2175 Å bump)
  - IR extinction different than diffuse
- Why doesn't metallicity play a role in the type of dust found?
  - Different types of AGB stars are known to produce varying types of dust
  - The ratio of these type of AGB stars changes with metallicity
- Is there any evidence for dust beyond that found in the Local Group (e.g., MW, LMC, & SMC)?
  - What about AGN? Just processed?



The End

