



## Wavelet approaches for measuring interstellar cloud structure

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#### Turbulent cascade

## Self similarity

- Same type of structures on all scales
  - Confirmed by observations:



- Integrated <sup>13</sup>CO 1-0 line map from the BU-FCRAO survey of the Galactic Ring at different "zoom levels" (Simon et al. 2002)
- 🖙 Self-similar over a large range of scales.

#### Power spectrum

Scale invariance results in a power-law power spectrum:



Analysis of G44.5 subfield of <sup>13</sup>CO 1-0 line map from BU-FCRAO-GRS

• For rectangular maps, the power spectrum can be easily computed by FFT.

 $P(k) \propto k^{-\beta}$ 

## Measure spatial scaling

### $\Delta$ -variance

#### Filter map by radially symmetric wavelet $\,\psi_l(r)$

- characteristic length scale /
- Measure variance in convolved image as function of the filter size I
- Gives relative amount of structure as a function of structure size
- Advantages compared to power spectrum
  - ∆-variance can measure spatial scaling of irregular maps, maps with variable noise.
  - In the application to observed maps the ∆-variance is much more robust.





## $\Delta$ -variance

Power-law power spectrum gives power-law  $\Delta$ -variance:  $\sigma_{\Delta}^2(l) \propto l^{lpha}$ 

- Spectral index related to the power spectral index by lpha=eta-2



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## Analysis of Orion Bar maps

## $\Delta$ -variance spectra

- No artifacts from combination of single dish and interferometer or mosaicing
- Perfect power law for <sup>13</sup>CO, β=3.1
- Some characteristic scales in all spectra

 $\Delta$ -variance spectra of integrated maps (top) and 8.8km/s channel maps (bottom, Acre et al. in prep)



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100

10 E

0.1

0.01

10-4

<sup>2</sup> [(K km/s)<sup>2</sup>]

12CO 1-0 ··×·· 13CO 1-0

10-3

0.01

log [degrees]

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1.5pc

0.1

## INRIA approach (Hussein Yahia)

Spatial distribution of box-car dimension at small scales

- h(x) is scaling exponent for 3-D "ball" around point x with radius r
- For  $r \to 0$  (smallest resolution available), scales as  $r^{h(x)} \to h(x)$  is the singularity exponent at x.
- Provide precise evaluation of the strength of fronts observables in clouds, and the possibility of computing fine statistics on them





#### Singularity distribution for Draco 250 $\mu m$ map

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## Use for singularity spectrum

Use  $\Delta$ -variance slope at small scale instead of box-car dimension: Application to same data set:



- Exponent threshold ightarrow Manifold  $\mathcal{G}_0$ 
  - $\rightarrow$  background galaxy detection

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## Wavelet-weighted cross-correlation analysis (WWCC)

#### WWCC:

- Cross correlation in maps filtered by Δ-variance wavelet
- compare map structures depending on their scale

Apply to line observations of G333 (MOPRA):





#### (Arshakian & Ossenkopf 2015)

#### Result:

- <sup>13</sup>CO-C<sup>18</sup>O perfectly correlated above the noise scale
- HCN behaves different at scales <7' (~8pc)

# Difference in chemical structure or excitation conditions?

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Scale-dependent offsets:



#### (Arshakian & Ossenkopf 2015)



• Increasing offset along the filament towards larger scales

 cometary density structure or/and anisotropic radiation field

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## Simulations: (M)HD models from Federrath & Klessen (2012)

#### Compute line radiative transfer (Simline3D, Ossenkopf 2002):

# Simplifications applied here:

- Constant abundances
- Isothermal



#### Integrated line intensities [K km/s]





FK12 Model 20:

 $M=10 M_{\odot}$ 

*D* = 8pc *<n>* = 207cm<sup>-3</sup> *<B>* = 3µG C<sup>18</sup>O 1-0











• No line traces true column density,

#### • Rare CO isotopes best approximation

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#### **Cross-correlation function**



#### **Results:**

- Perfect correlation between spatial density structure and C<sup>18</sup>O emission
  - High correlation between C<sup>18</sup>O and <sup>13</sup>CO like in the observations
- Lower correlation for CS (like HCN in observations)
  - But no critical size scale
- <sup>12</sup>CO hardly reflects underlying density structure
  - only measures the velocity structure

#### **Cross-correlation function**

Compare direct properties of simulations:



Column density - magnetic field

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Column density - Protostellar cores

Herschel and FCRAO maps of Rosette molecular cloud:

#### Analysis:

Comparison with dust map (Veltchev et al. 2017)





- <sup>12</sup>CO and <sup>13</sup>CO best correlate at small scales
- <sup>13</sup>CO good column density tracer at intermediate scales
- Negative trend at large scales

# Conditions for CO dissociation unclear

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## Application to M33 maps

#### Correlation between [CII], CO 2-1, and HI:





Center(top) and BCLMP302 (right) maps, Colours: [CII], contours: CO 2-1 (left), HI (right) Mookerjea et al. (2015)

- Mismatch between global correlation and scale-dependent correlation
- Obvious anti-correlation of small-scale structures in maps
- Good global correlation does not prove origin from similar regions

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