# Automatic source finding in SKA precursor/pathfinder surveys with YOLO-CIANNA

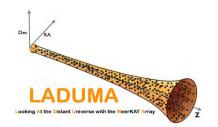
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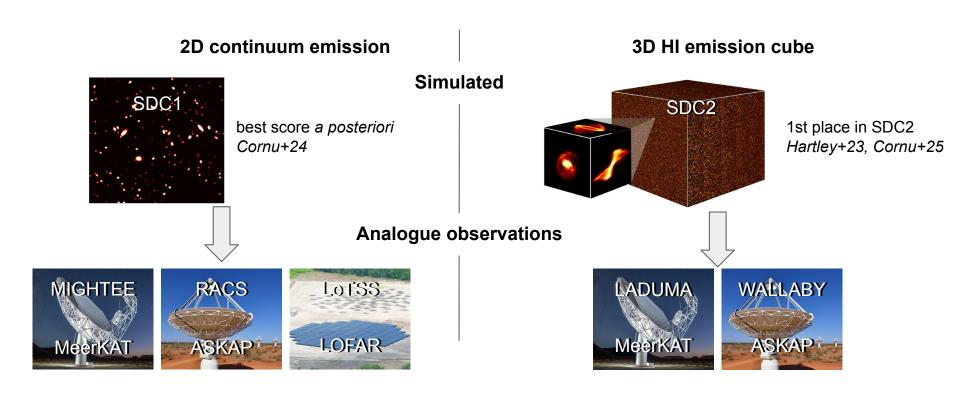
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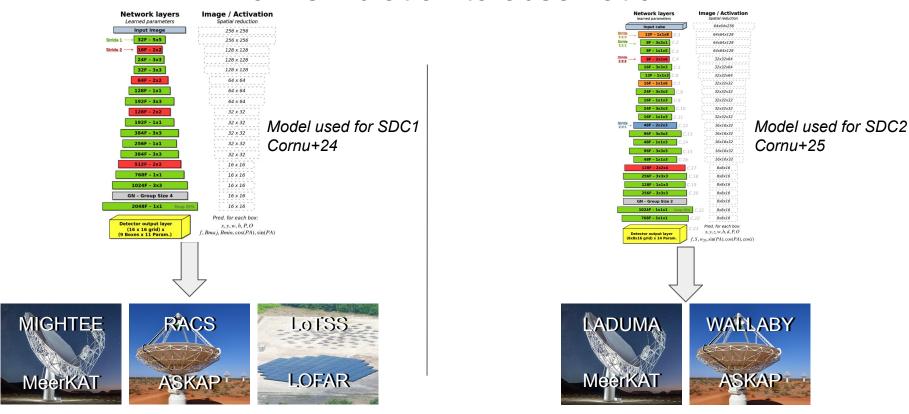




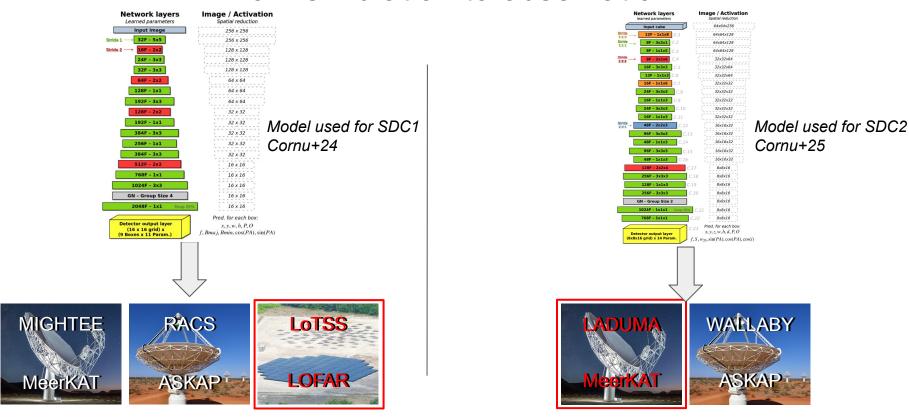




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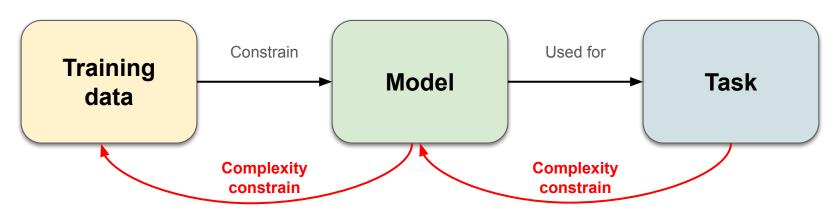


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# Training dataset for supervised method



#### This training dataset must:

- Be complete: all specificities of the data must be represented (objects, effects, contexts, ...)
- Have pure labels: labels should be as close as possible to the expectancy.

Not/wrongly labeled target:

→If the network detects it, will lower the probability of all the same kind of sources

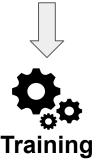
Labeled questionable target:

→If the network detects it, may increase the probability of detecting noise

## How to train the model for observational data?







1st option: using observational data

#### Pros:

 Contain all instrumental effects and observational limitations

#### Cons:

- Limitation in examples
- Scarcity effects
- Difficult to label data

Because it requires a lot of exemple: labeling a large portion of the survey makes ML useless

## How to train the model for observational data?







#### Pros:

- As many examples as necessary
- Compensating for scarcity effects

#### Cons:

Potentially biased or simplistic:

Physical model

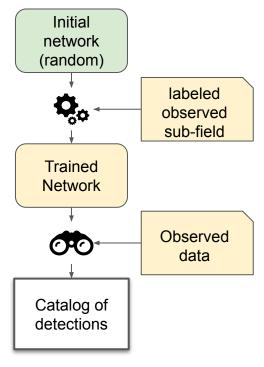
Instrumental Model



In practice the two approaches can be combined

# **Approaches**

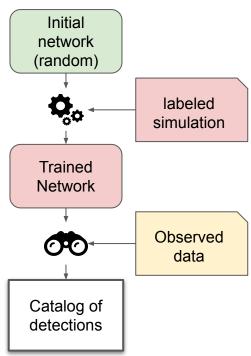
## Observed data only



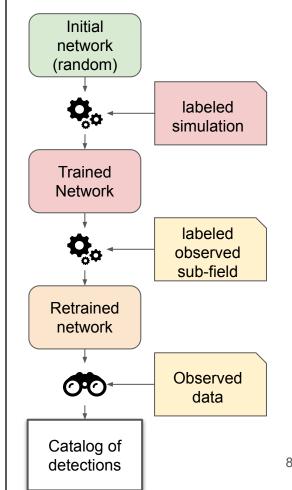
Inference

Training

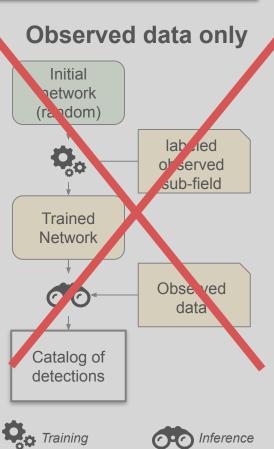
## **Direct application**



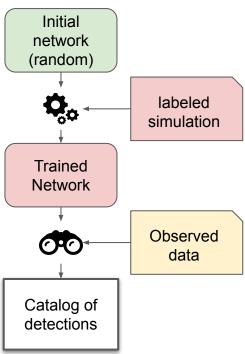
## Transfer-Learning



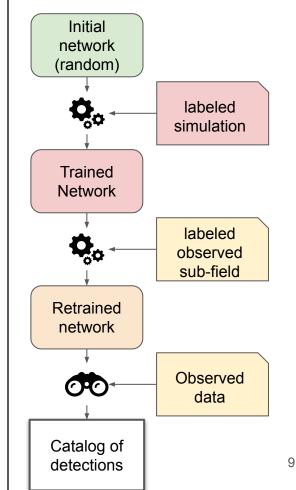
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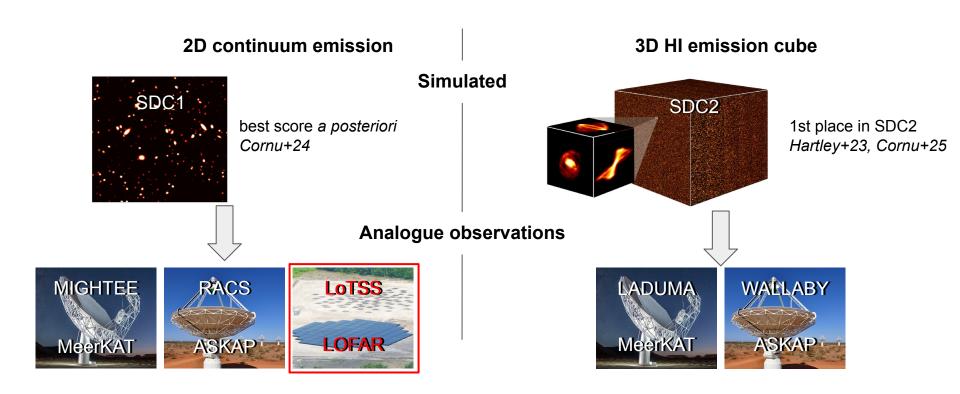


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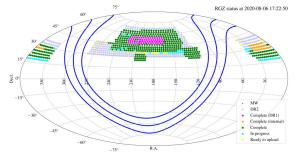


## **Transfer-Learning**





# LOw Frequency ARray (LOFAR)



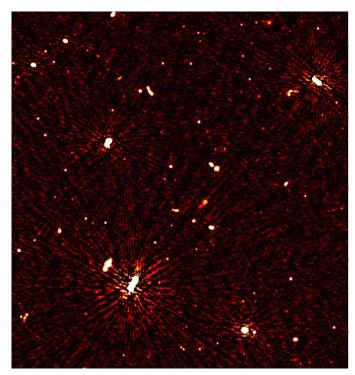




LOFAR Two meter Sky Survey (LoTSS) DR2: Shimwell et al. 2022

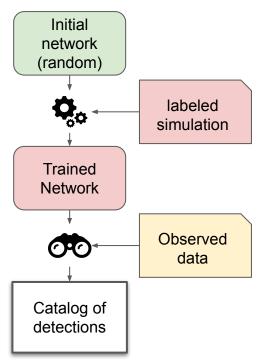
- Frequency: 120-168 MHz
- 27% of the Northern hemisphere
- 4,396,228 cataloged sources from PyBDSF
- 841 mosaics

subfield of 25x25 arcmim<sup>2</sup>



# **Approaches**

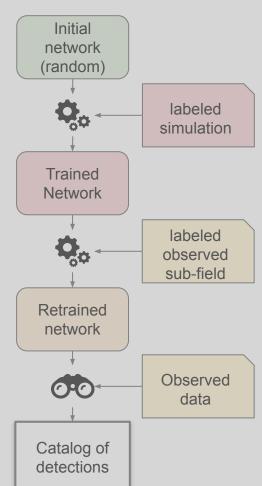
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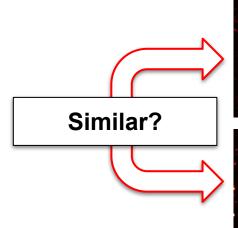


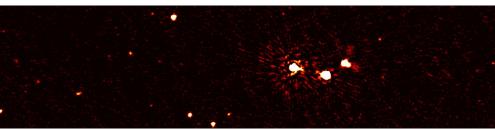
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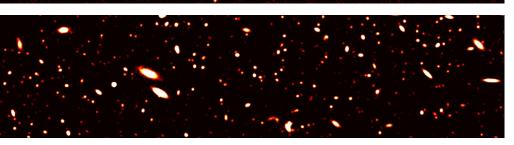


# Application of the method to LoTSS data

The inference data must match the training data: is it the case?







LoTSS DR2 (Observational) 144 MHz

subfields of 150x700 pix

Simulated data (SKAO SDC1) 560 MHz

#### Similarities:

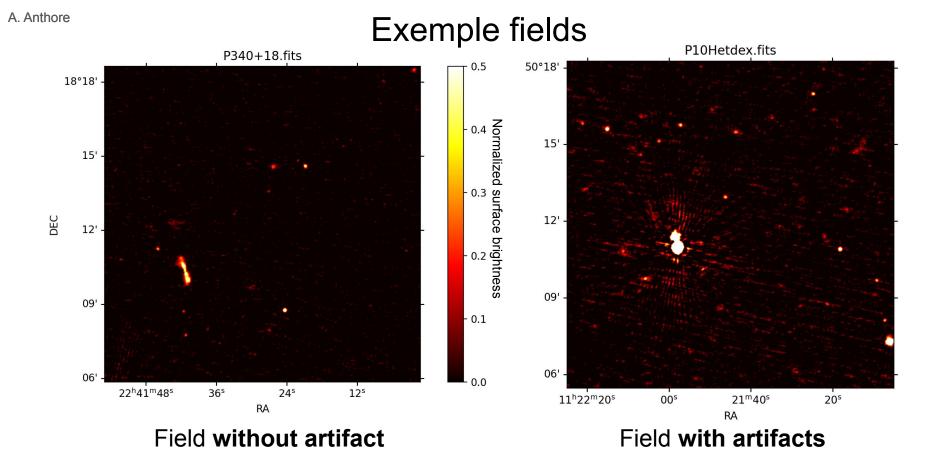
- Same point-like sources
- Luminosity profiles
- Blending

#### Dissimilarity:

- Resolution
- Pixels dynamics/Sensitivity
- Morphological diversity
- Instrumental specificities

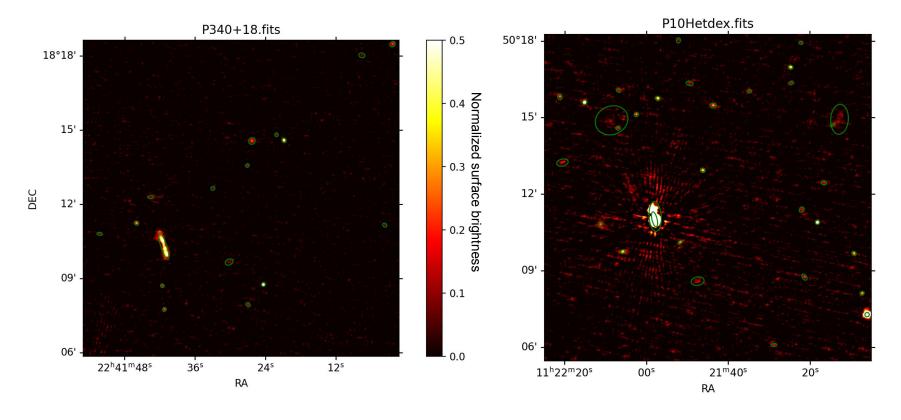
#### Similar enough, but requiere:

- Match the pixel dynamics
- Match the sampling



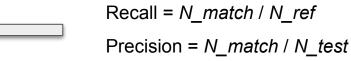
Object of interest: Point-like sources; Extended sources; Artifacts around bright sources; Blending; Other artifacts

## Evaluation on reference

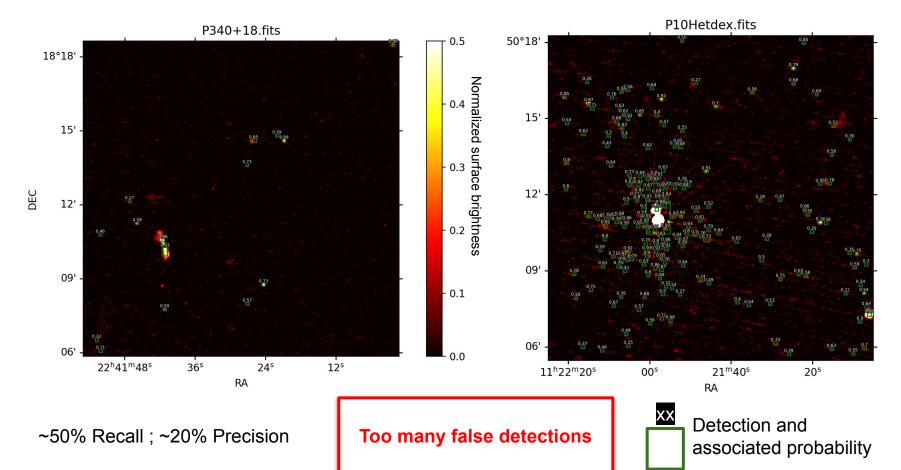


Reference: LoTSS DR2 (Shimwell et al. 2022)

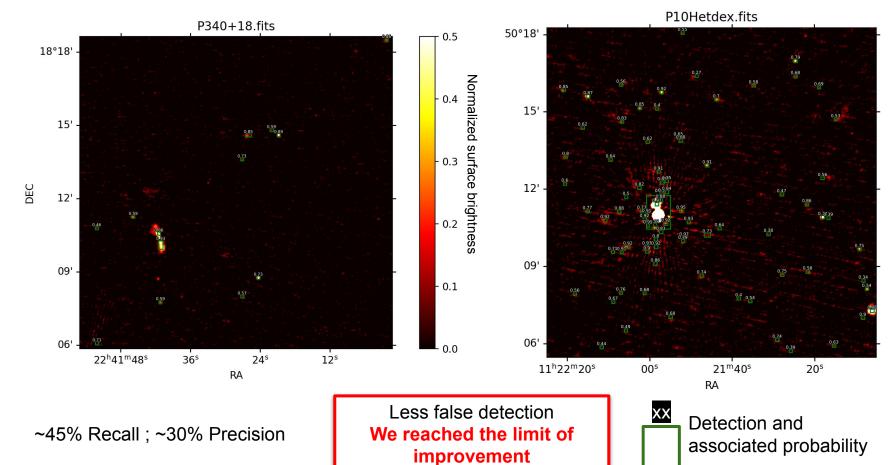
Methode: PyBDSF



# Results: "Direct" approach

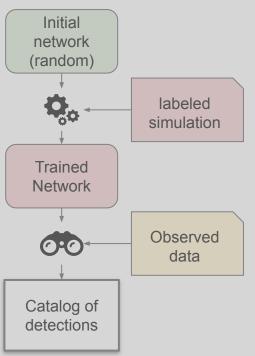


# Results: "Direct" approach + post-process

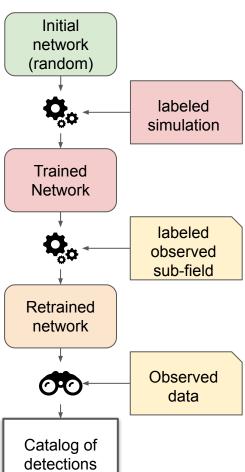


# **Approaches**

## **Direct application**







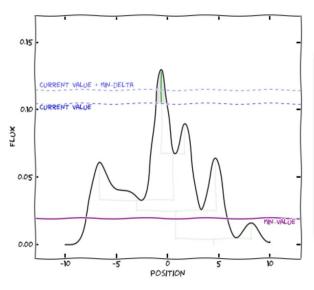




# Method for building the training set

#### Catalog optimized for ML detection ≠ existing catalogs today

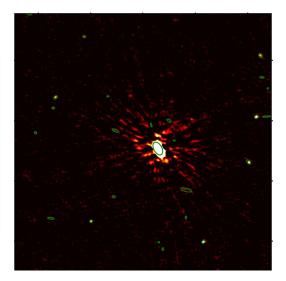
Choice of method: Astrodendro



#### Credit: https://dendrograms.readthedocs.io

## **Labeling process**

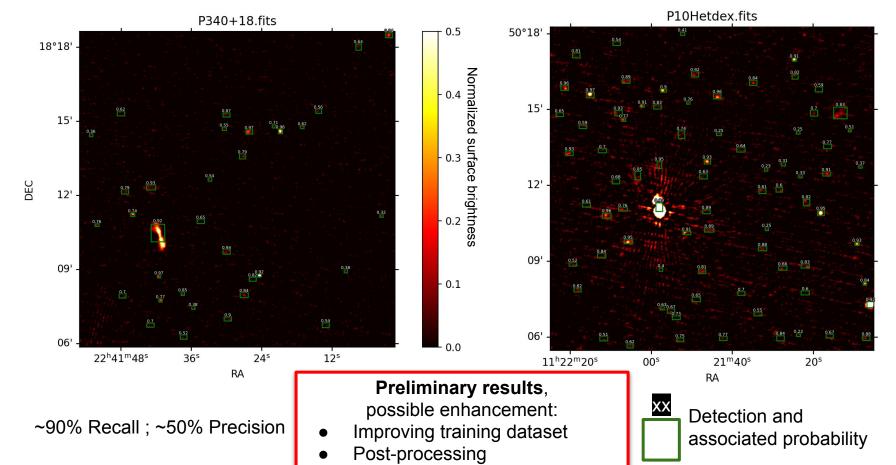
- 1) Detection in a subfield
- 2) Filtering after detection
- 3) IR / Optical counterparts



example of the training area 13x13 arcmin<sup>2</sup>

By combining classical detection method with counterparts: We manage to construct a reliable training dataset

# Preliminary results: "Transfer-Learning" approach



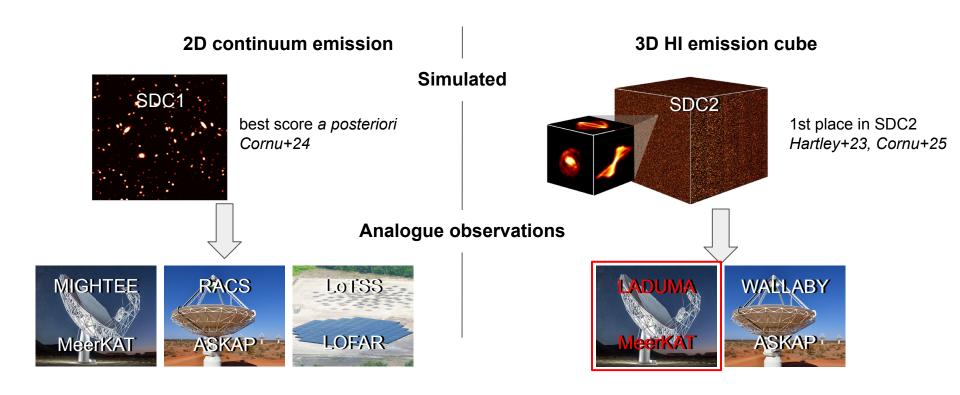
# LoTSS DR2 summary

#### Our **YOLO-CIANNA model** with LoTSS DR2 data:

- Quick: Training: not more than 8h;
   Inference ~ 5 sec/mosaics
   Inference and Training on Tesla V100 GPU
- Complete: High level of recall (w.r.t. LoTSS dr2)
  Best: ~90% Recall; ~50% Precision

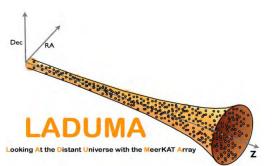
Still requires more exploration of the data, confirmations, new approach?, and also **technical exploration** (Network architectures, simulations, ...) and more





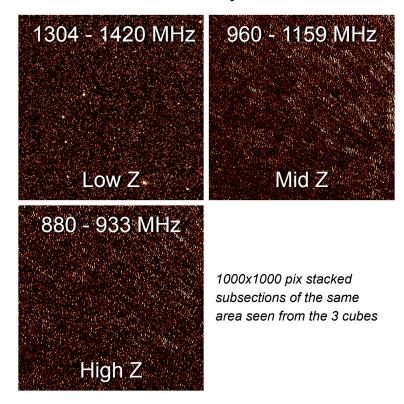
## LADUMA

#### Looking At the Distant Universe with the MeerKAT Array



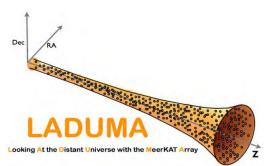


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- Frequencies from 880 to 1420 MHz
- ~ 1 sq. deg. coverage
- 243 sources detected by SoFiA (lowest redshift cube)



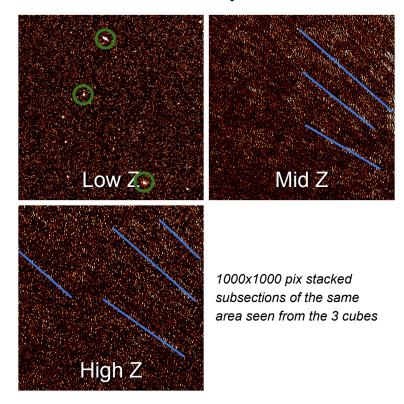
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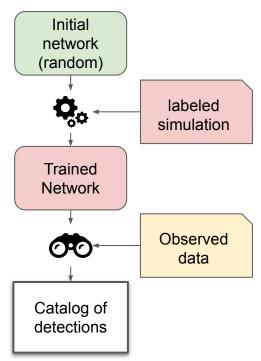


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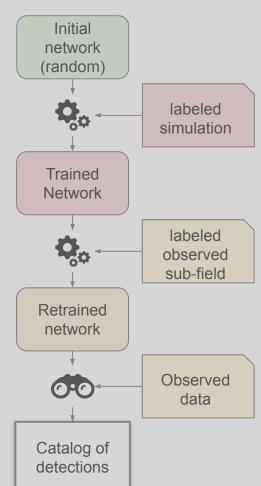
## **Direct application**





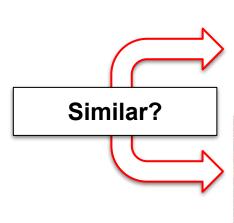


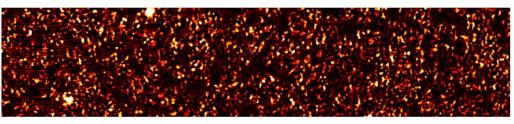
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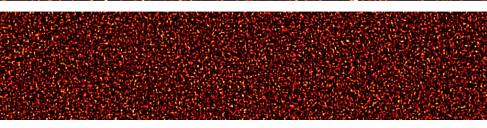


# Direct application to LADUMA data

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LADUMA data low z cube (Observational)

subfields of 150x700 pix

Idealized Simulated data (SKAO SDC2)

#### Similarities:

- Same point-like sources
- Luminosity profiles

#### **Dissimilarity**:

- Resolution (space and freq)
- Pixels dynamics/Sensitivity
- Morphological diversity
- Instrumental specificities

#### Similar enough, but requires:

- Match the pixel dynamics
- Match the sampling

# Preliminary results: Low z cube

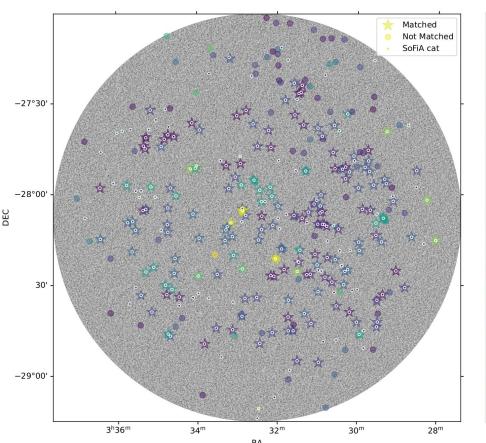
1.40

- 1.38

Lednency - 1.36

- 1.34

- 1.32



Raw output: 354 detections

After (light) post-process: 283 detections

	DR1 catalog* (243 sources)	Not DR1 catalog*
Y-C model** (283 sources)	176	107
Not Y-C model**	67	

Recall ~ 73%; Precision ~ 62%

Among the 107 unmatched detections: 80 are not at all close to DR1 catalog\* detections

Recall = N\_match / N\_ref

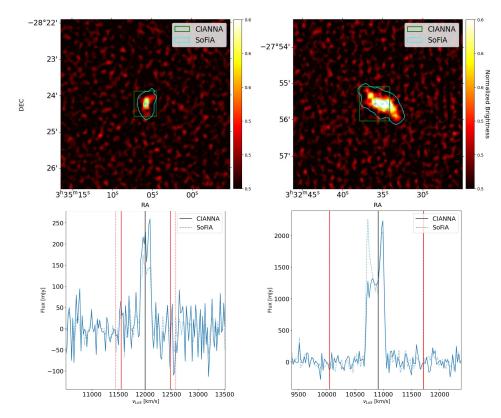
Precision = N\_match / N\_test

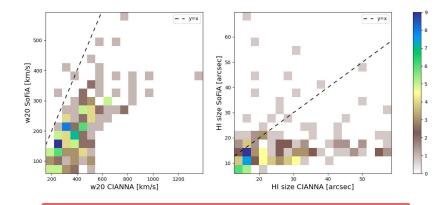
<sup>\*</sup>LADUMA Lowz catalog d.r. 1 derived from SoFiA and more

<sup>\*\*</sup>Our YOLO-CIANNA model trained with a portion of SDC2 data smoothed in frequency

# Preliminary results: Low z cube

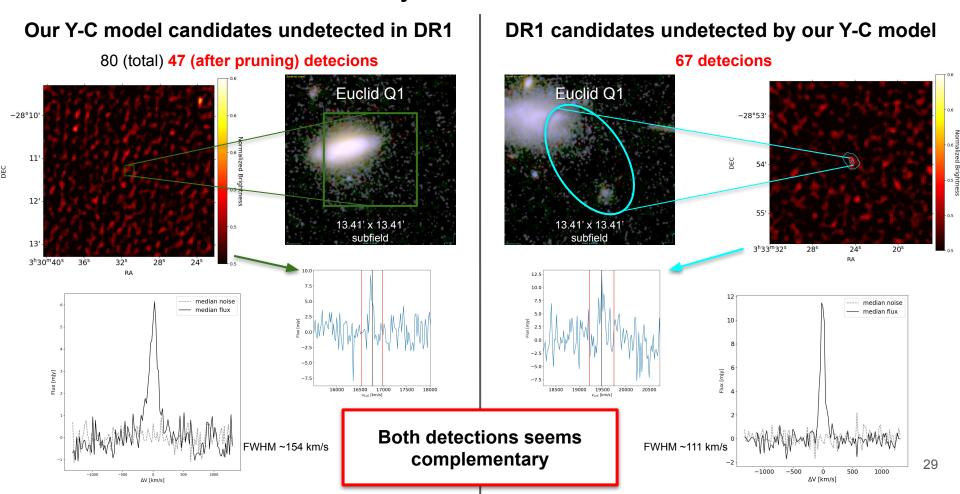
#### **Our Y-C model matched detections**



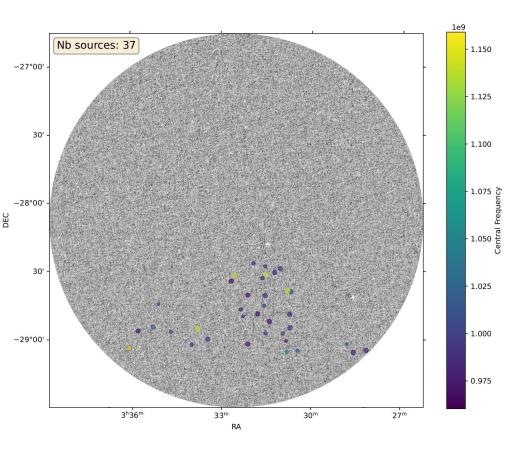


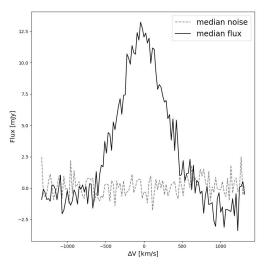
- Matched detections have high confidence scores
- Comparable detections for simple morphologies
- Difficult to characterize complex morphologies (training)
- Systematic difference: w20 and HI size (training)

# Preliminary results: Low z cube



# Preliminary results: Mid z cube





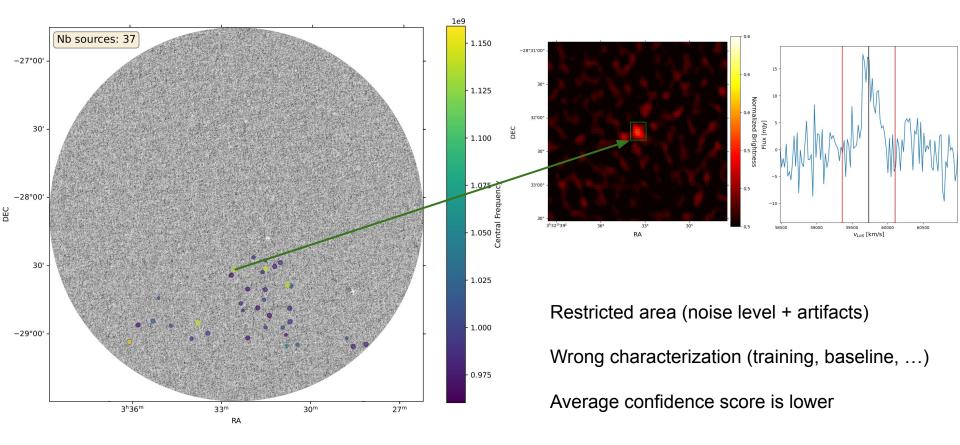
FWHM ~622 km/s

Restricted area (noise level + artifacts)

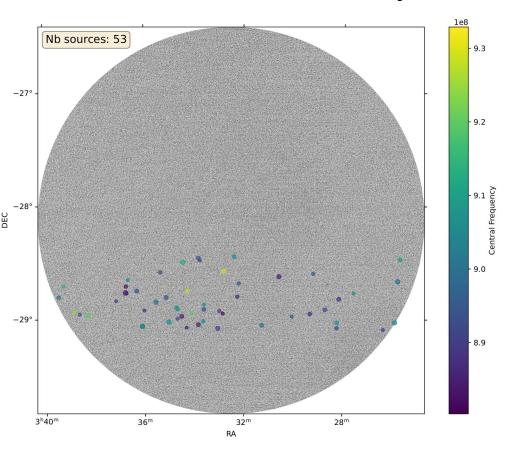
Wrong characterization (training, baseline, ...)

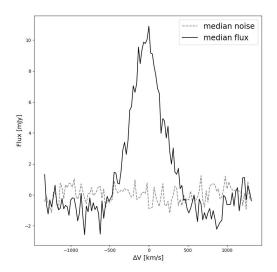
Average confidence score is lower

# Preliminary results: Mid z cube



# Preliminary results: High z cube



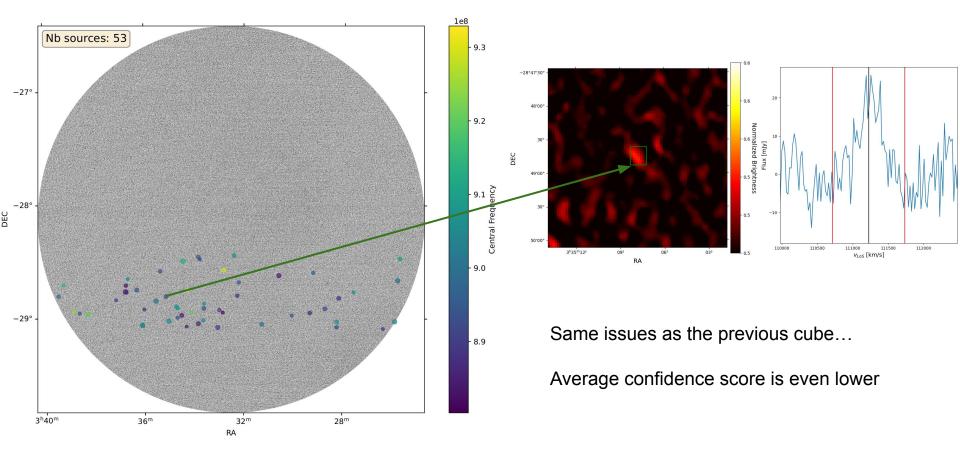


FWHM ~423 km/s

Same issues as the previous cube...

Average confidence score is even lower

# Preliminary results: High z cube



# LADUMA DR1 summary

#### Our **YOLO-CIANNA model** with LADUMA DR 1.2 data:

- Quick: Training ~ 10h; Inference ~10 min/cubes
   With Nvidia H100 GPU (Jean-Zay)
- Reliable: Good agreement with DR1 detections Recall ~ 73%; Precision ~ 62%
- 47 new candidates at low z (w.r.t. Lowz catalog dr1)

### **Direct application of YOLO-CIANNA:**

- Low z cube 90%
- Mid z cube 60%
- High z cube 60%

## **Prospects:**

- Better Mid/High z cube pre-processing 25%
- Transfer-Learning approach

To be done

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