

# Potential Escape of Ionizing Photons in IZw18

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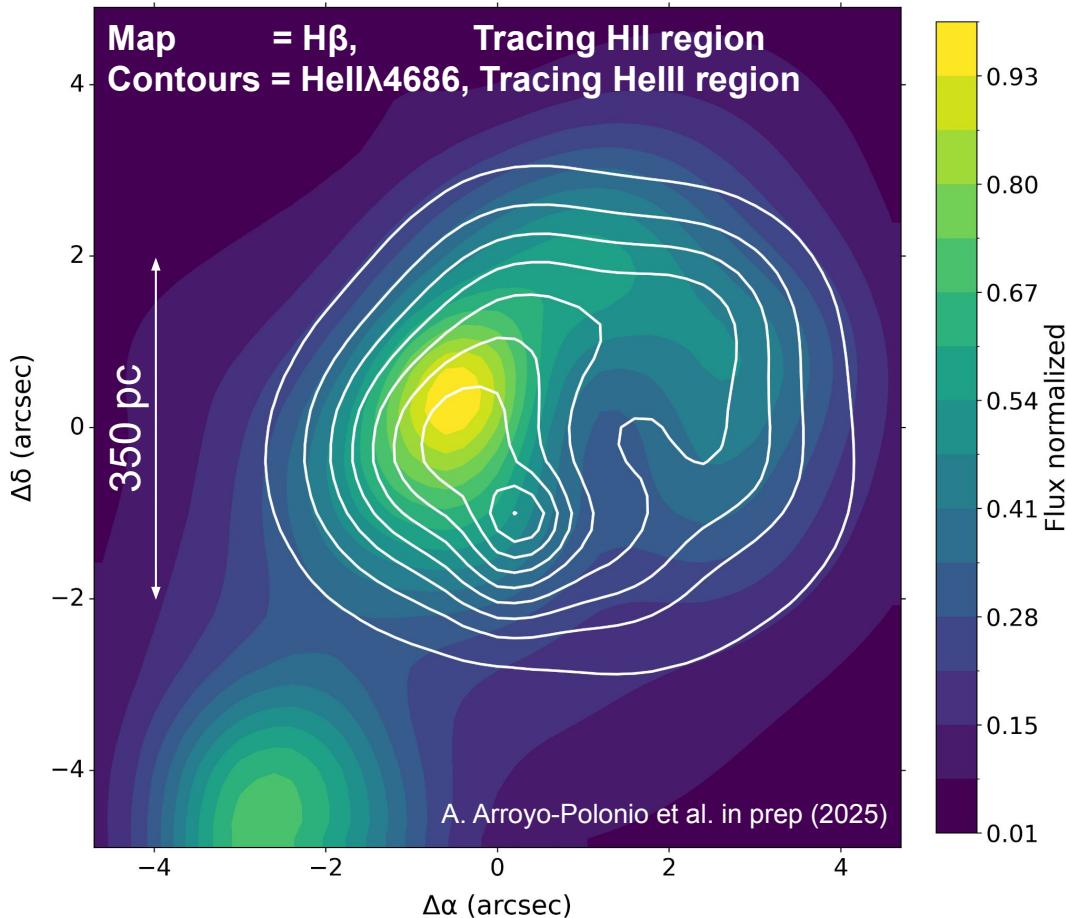


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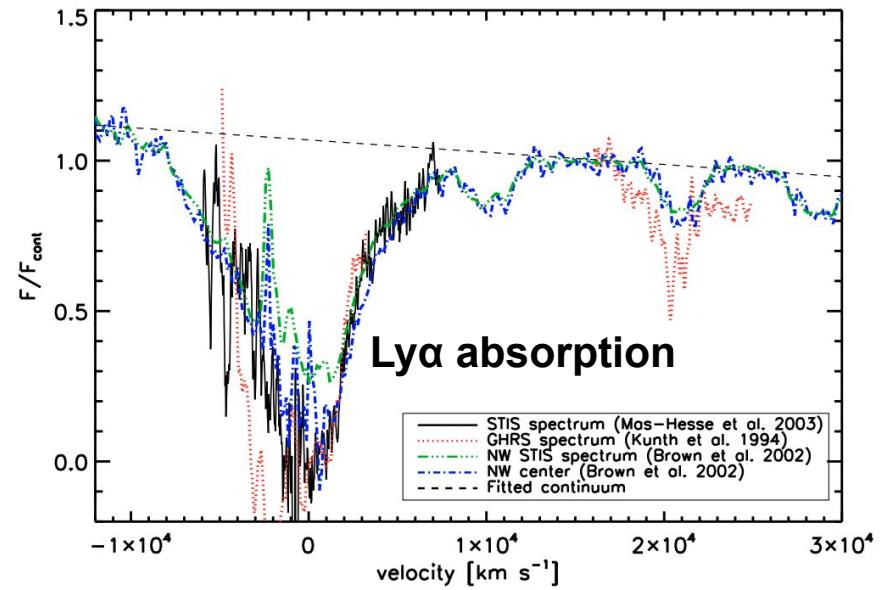
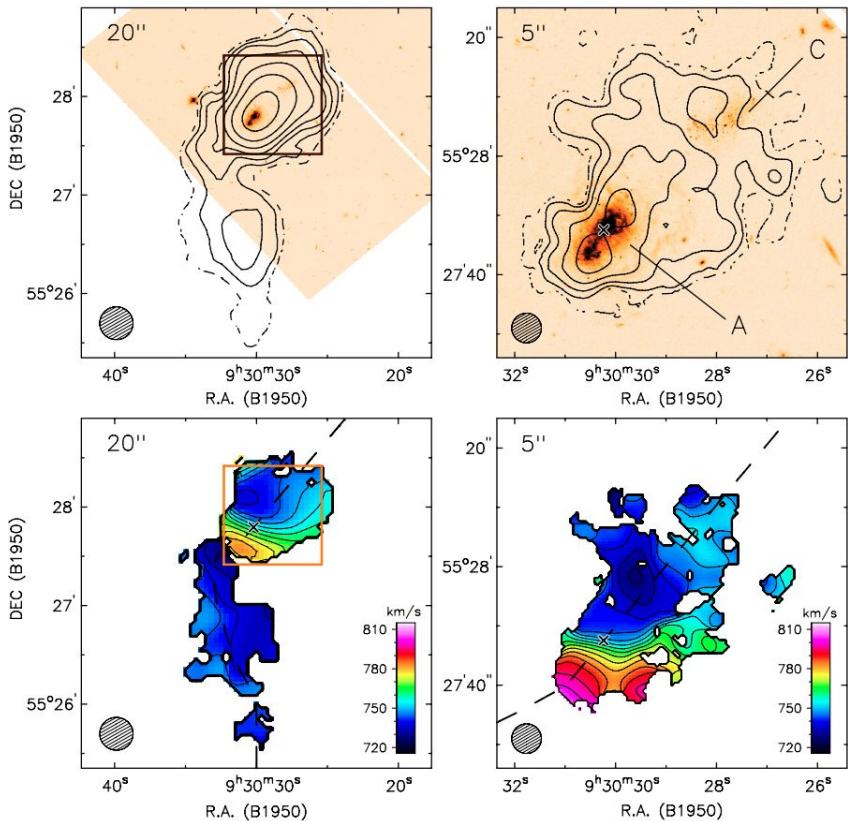
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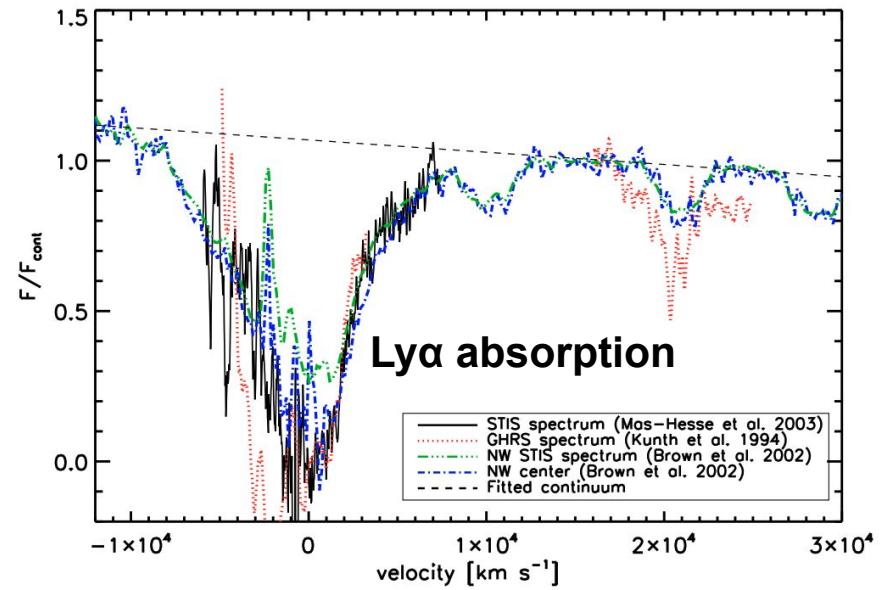
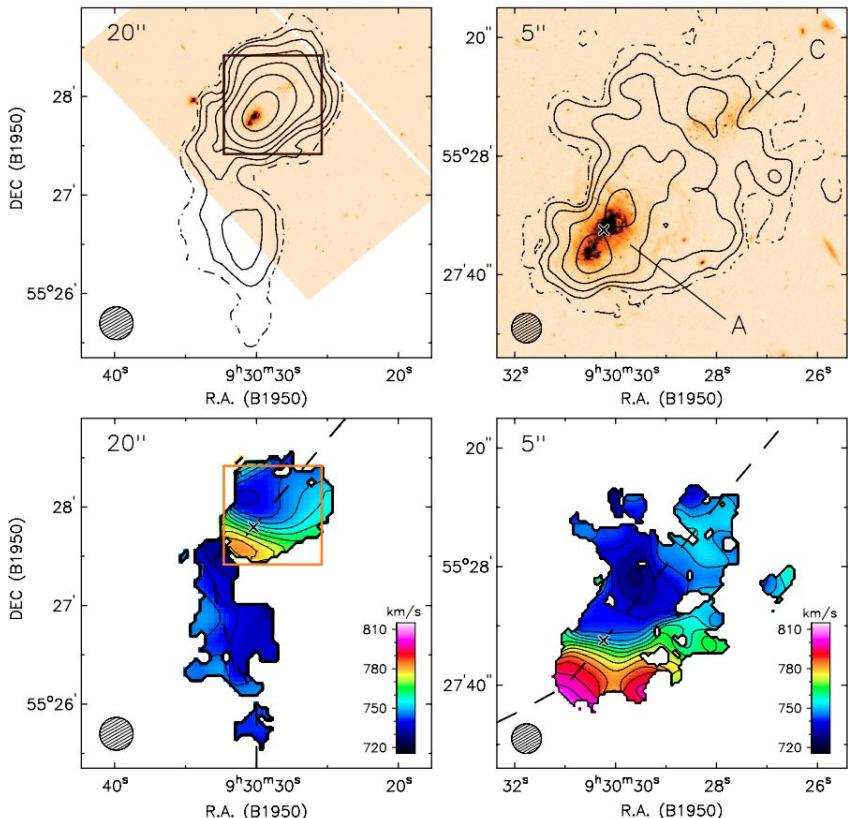
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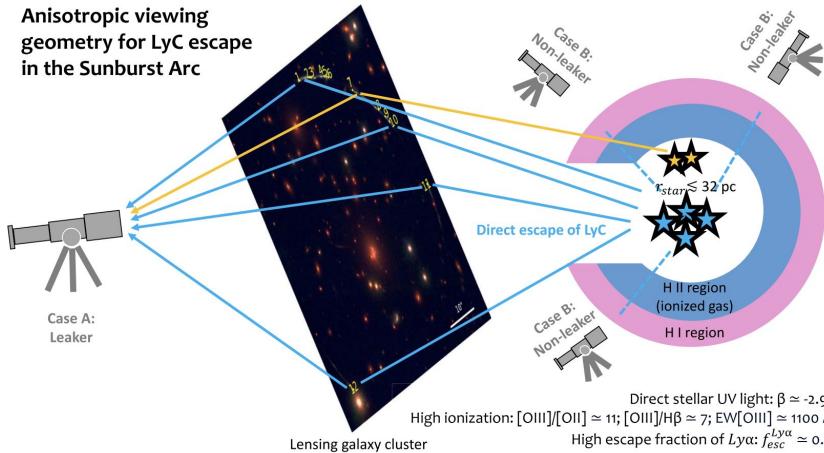


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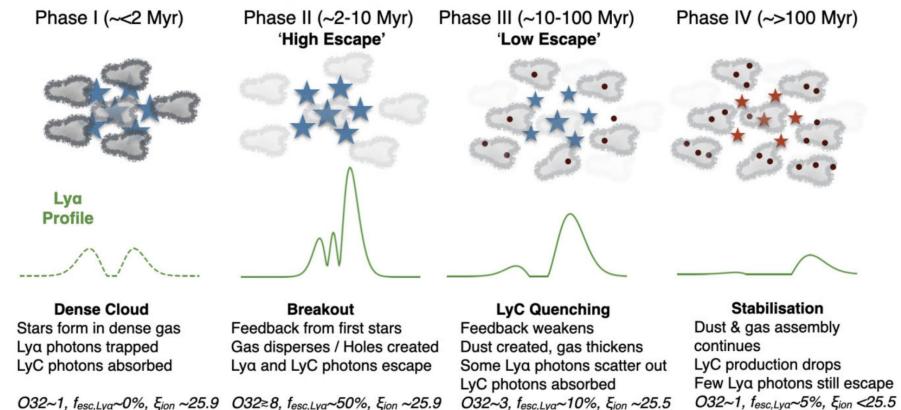
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# Escape anisotropy and evolution

Anisotropy in the HI / HII gas leaded by feedback and mergers



The escape **evolves** with time. High escape leaded by stellar feedback

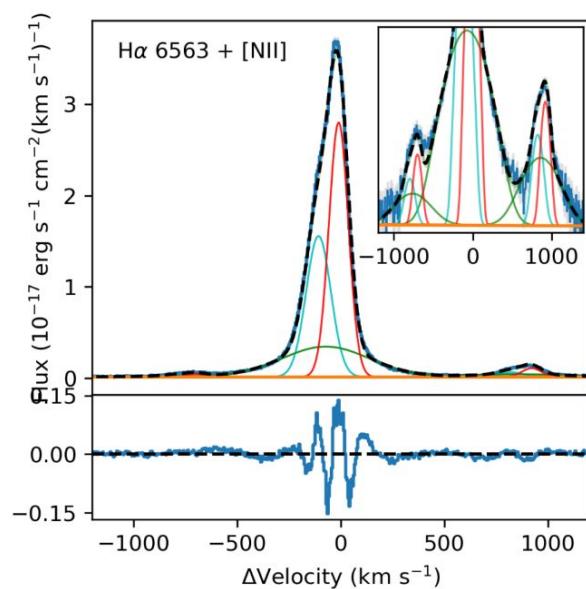
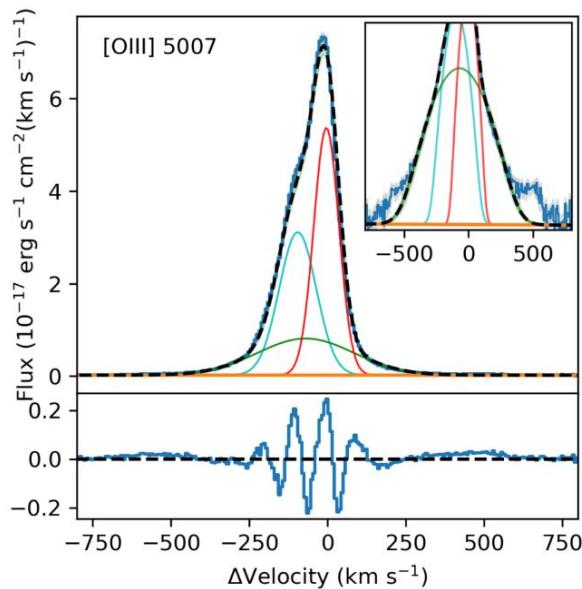
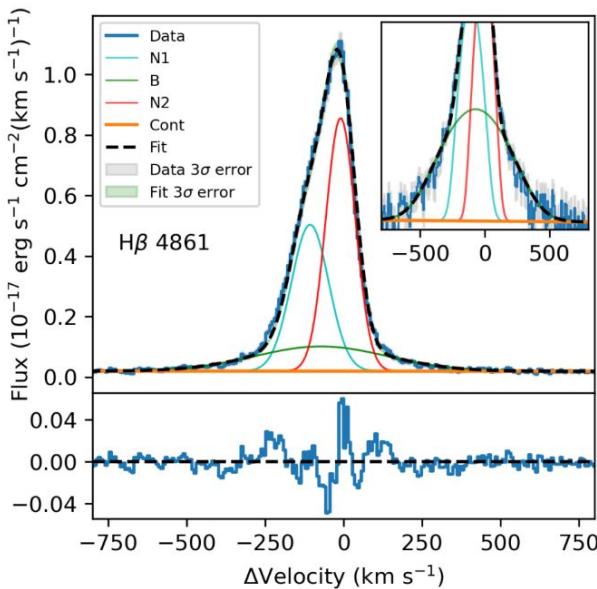


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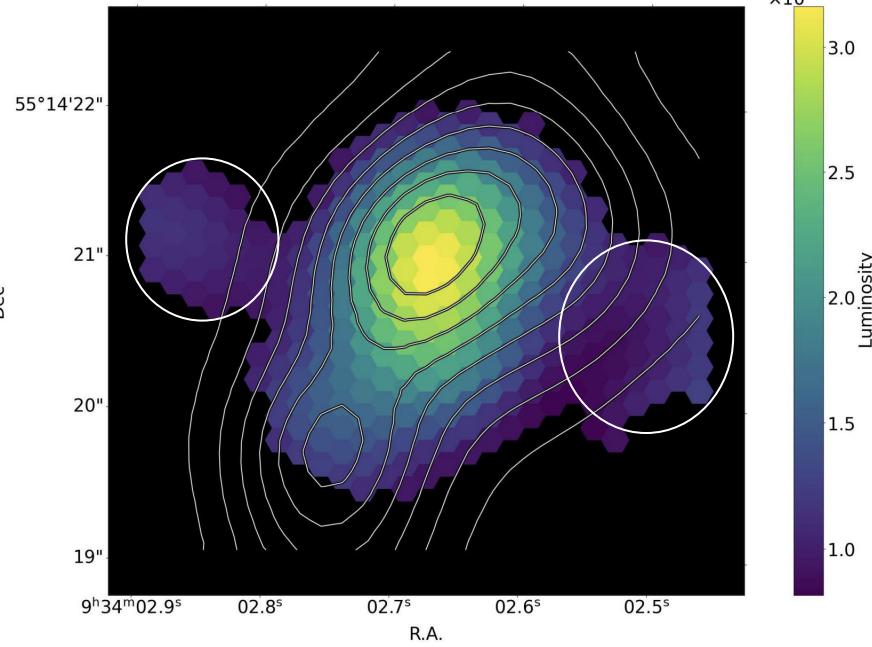
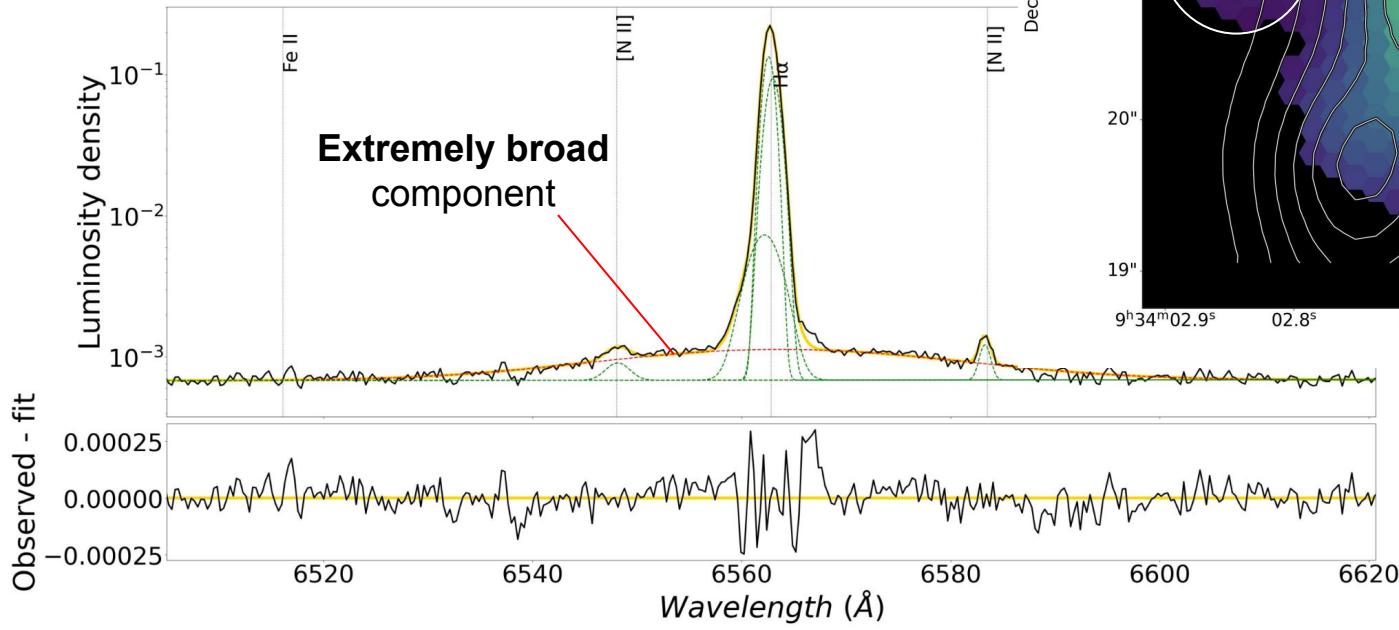
# Escape, outflows and gas kinematics

Stellar feedback repercussion in bright optical **emission lines**: **Broad blue-shifted components** in the profiles

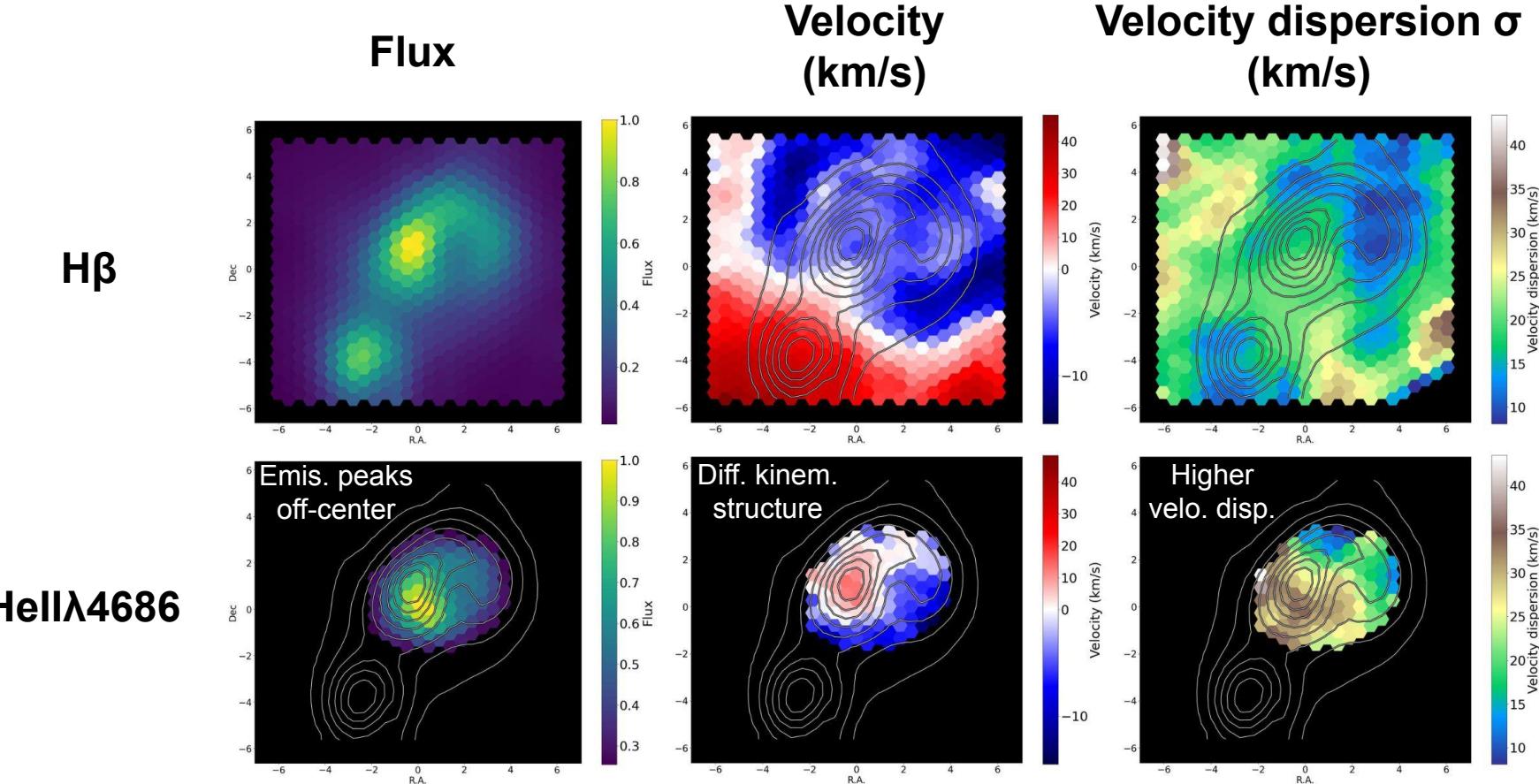


# Potential ionizing photon escape / Direction

**Extremely broad ( $\sigma = 600 - 850$  km/s)**  
component in H $\alpha$ . **Spatially extended** away  
from the north knot.

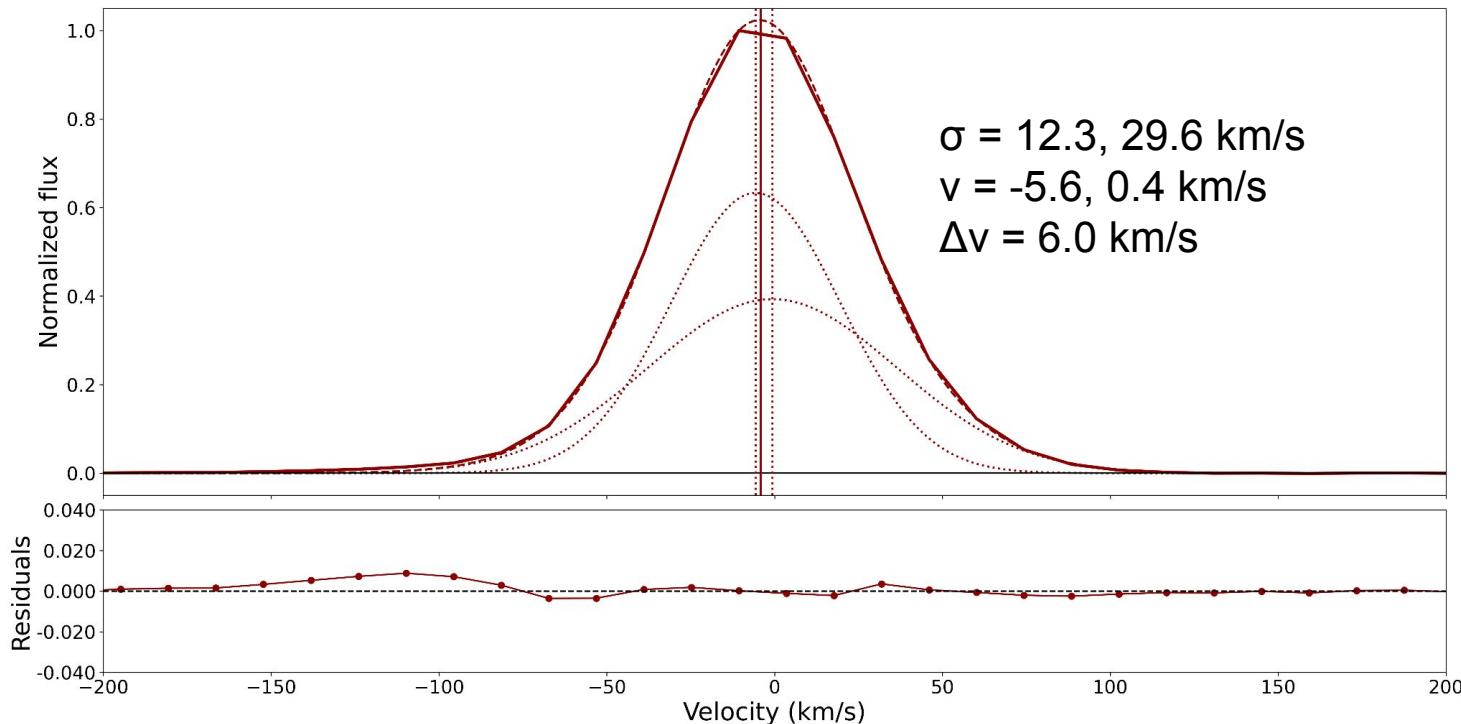


# HII and HeIII regions in IZw18



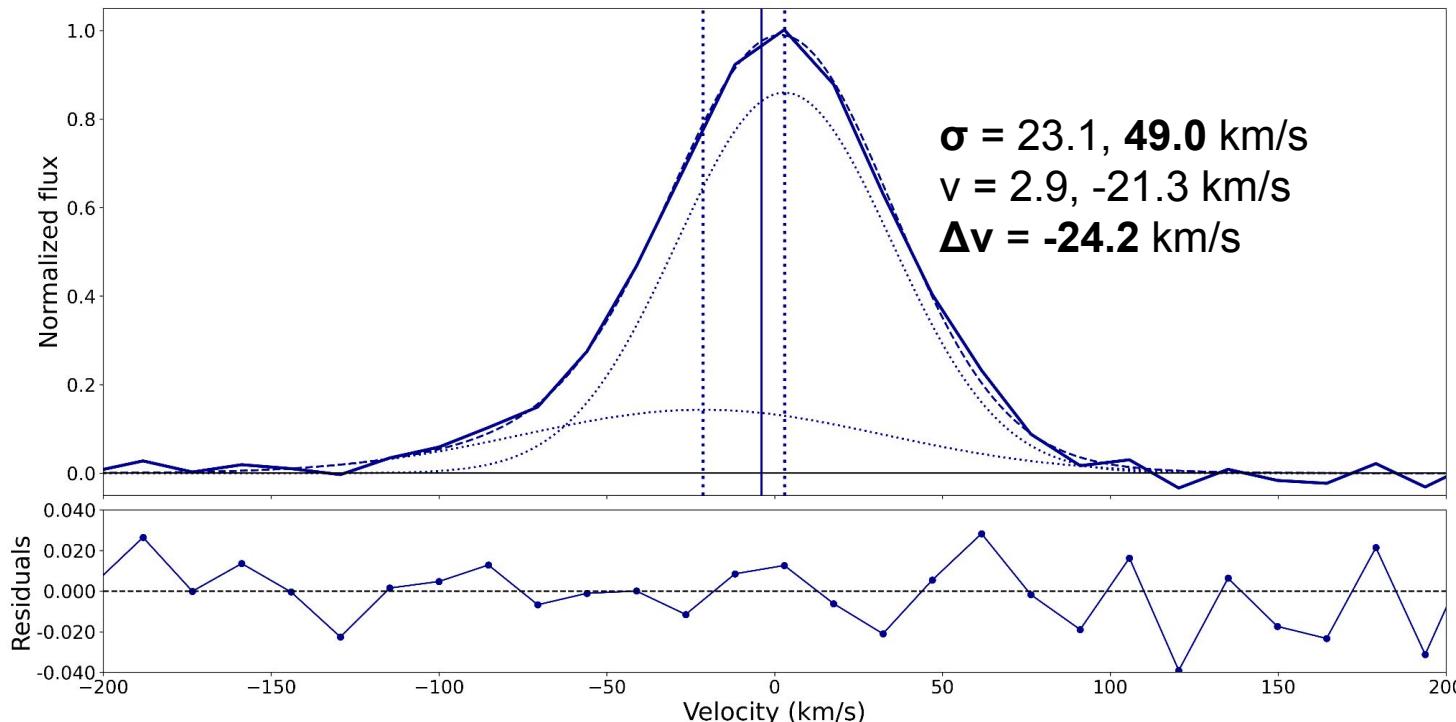
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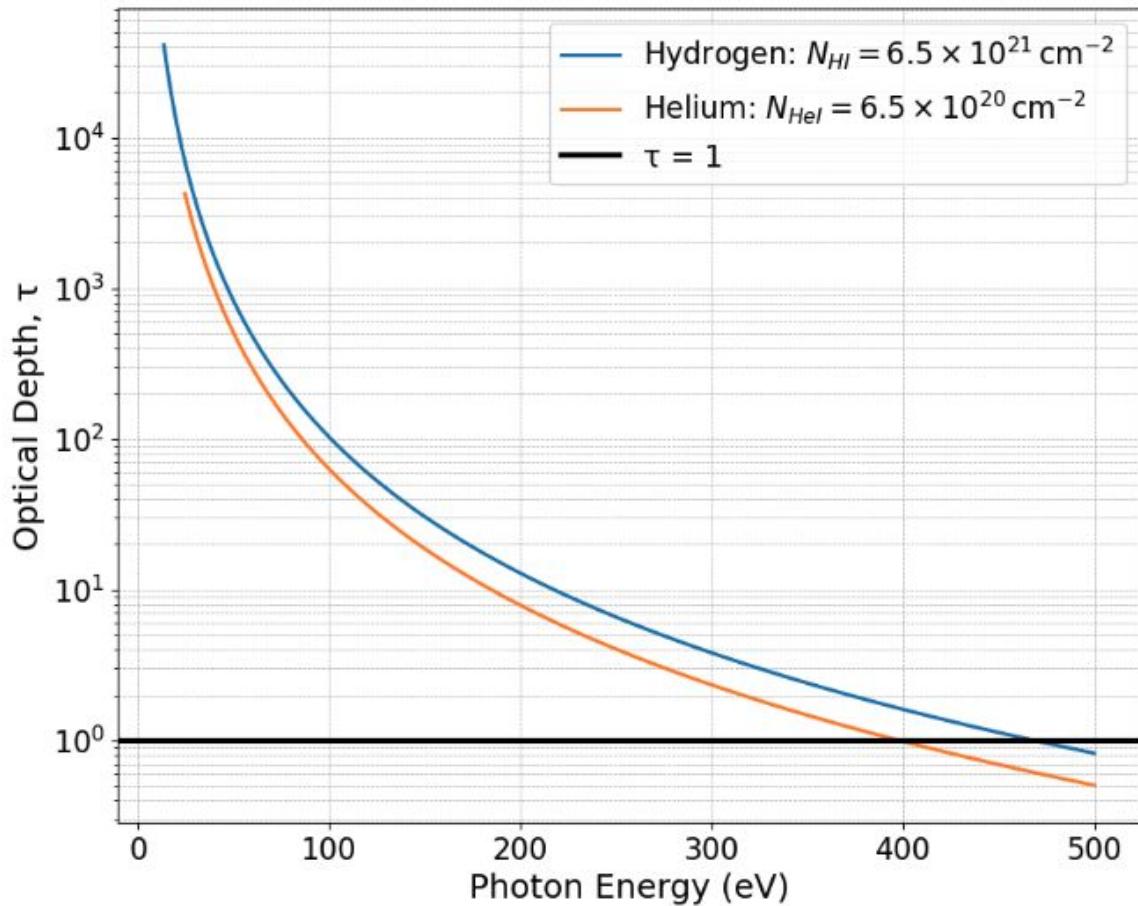
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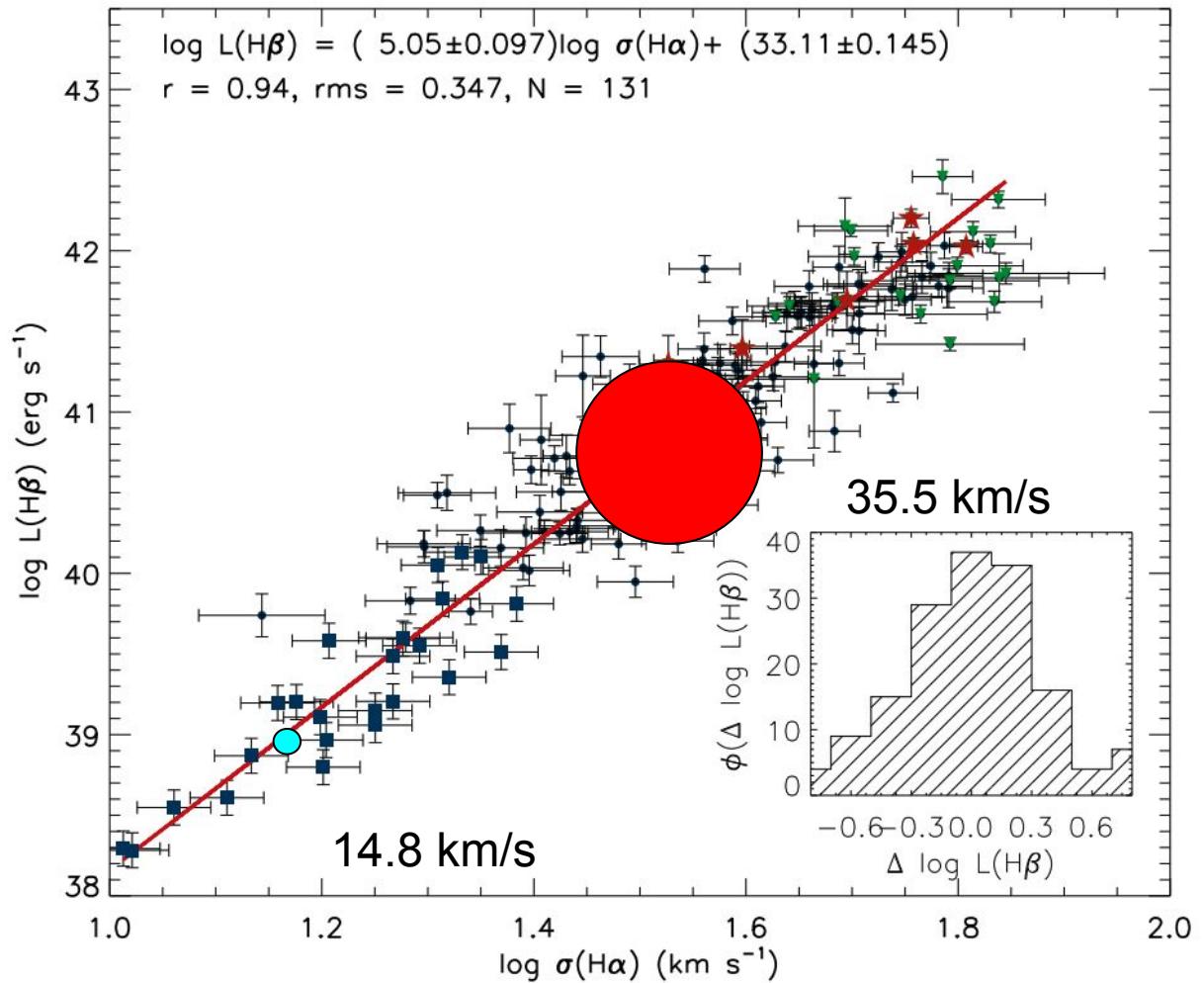
# Conclusions

- High ionizing photon production in IZw18** (HI to HII, HeI to HeII and HeII to HeIII) (LyC, HeIC and HeIIC). (13.6 eV, 24.6eV and 54.4eV).
- Now and in our **line of sight** IZw18 does **not emit ionizing photons** due to the presence of a **HI gas wall**.
- The **escape of ionizing photons** is **anisotropic** and **time dependent**. Here **feedback** plays a key role and influences the **gas kinematics**.
- HII and HeIII regions in IZw18 present **different structures** and **kinematics**.
- In IZw18 **escape of ionizing photons** in **other channels** or in the **future** might be feasible

Thank you!



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 $N_{HI} = 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



ratio 2.4

Narrow:

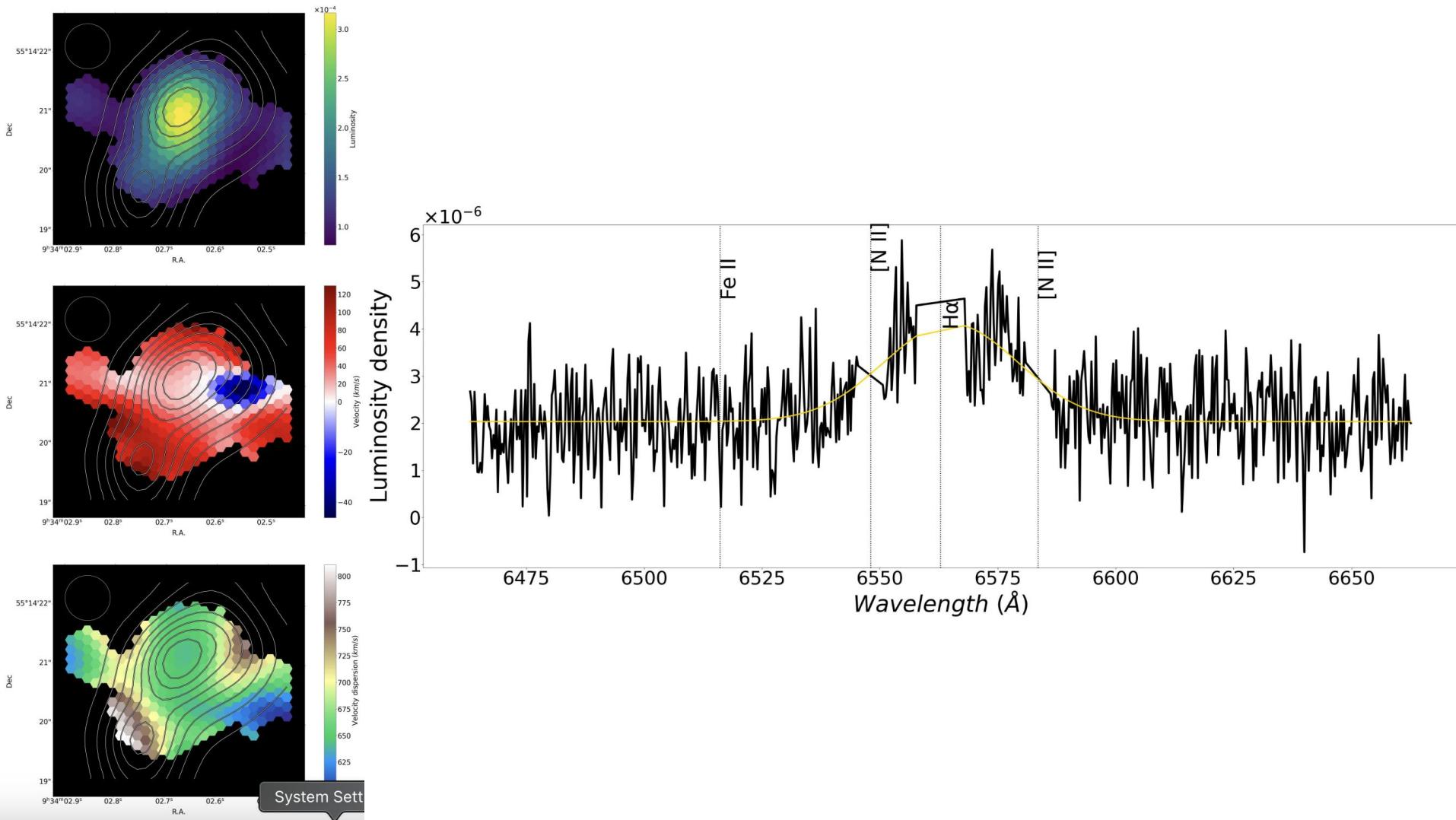
40-100 km/s Amorin et al. (2024)

17-42 km/s IZw18

Broad:

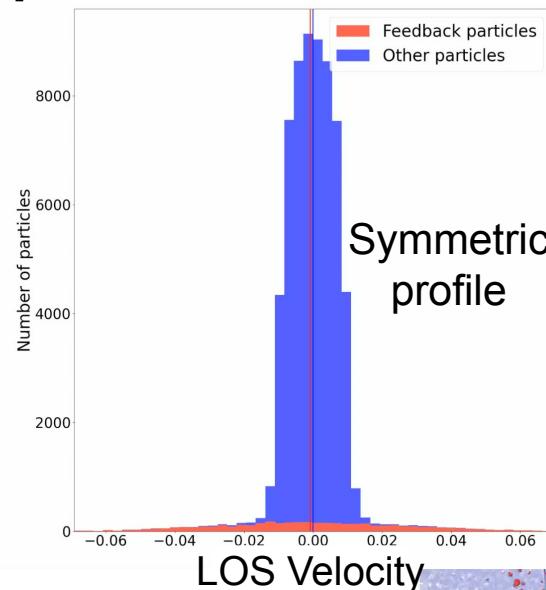
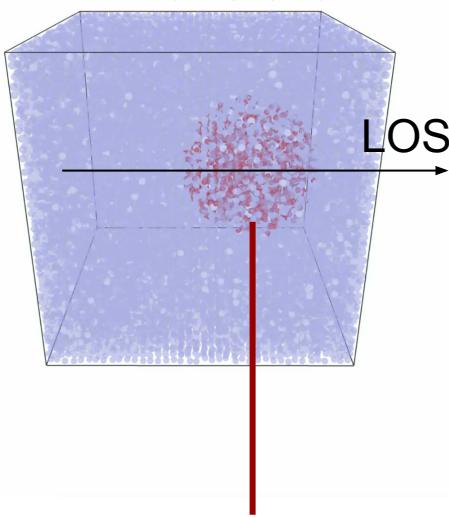
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42-125 km/s IZw18

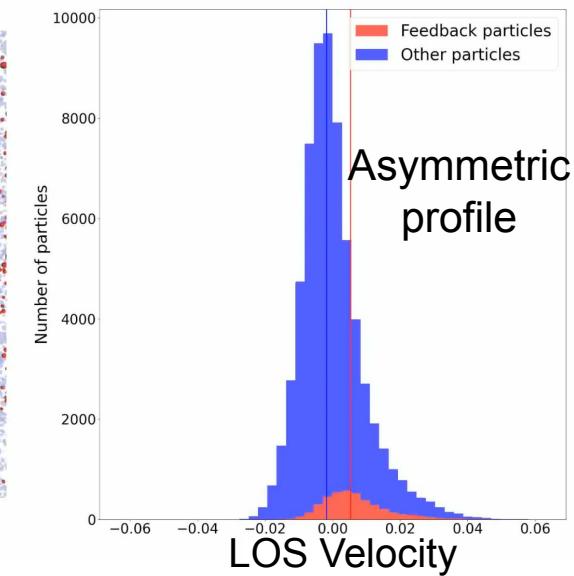
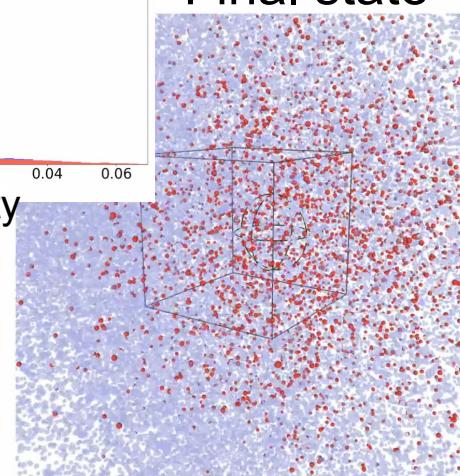


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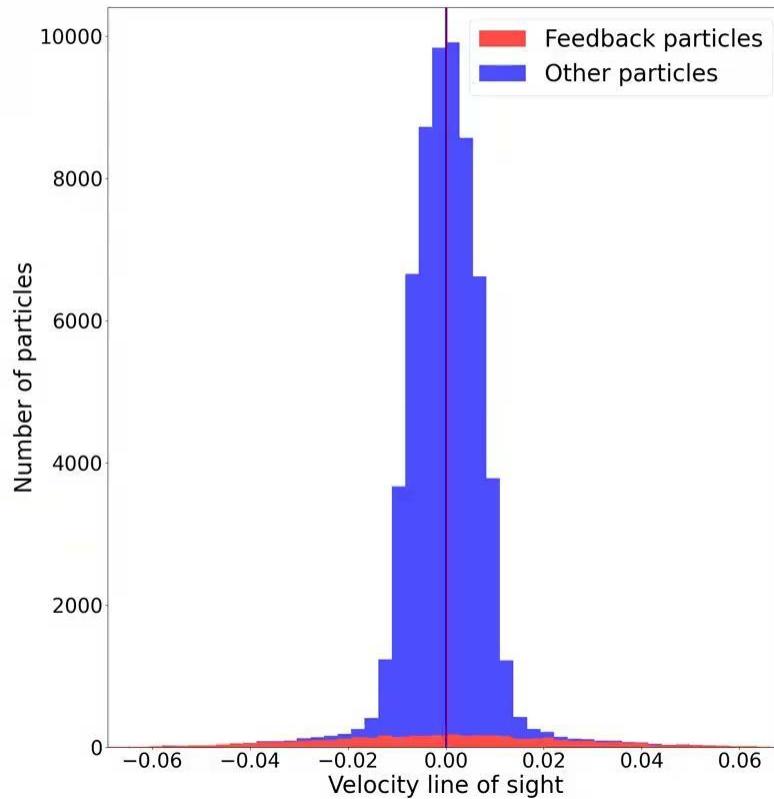
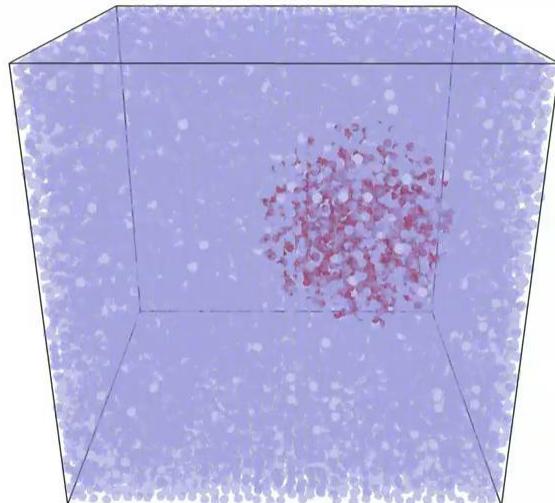
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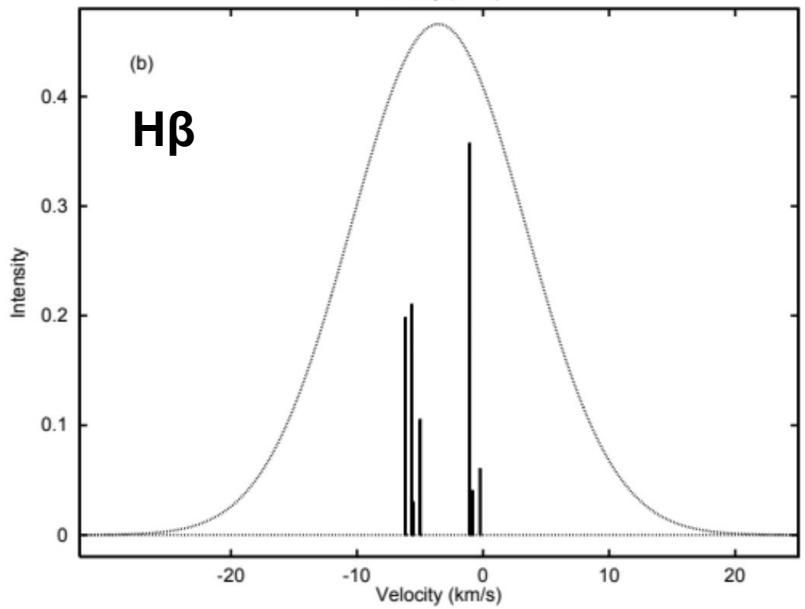


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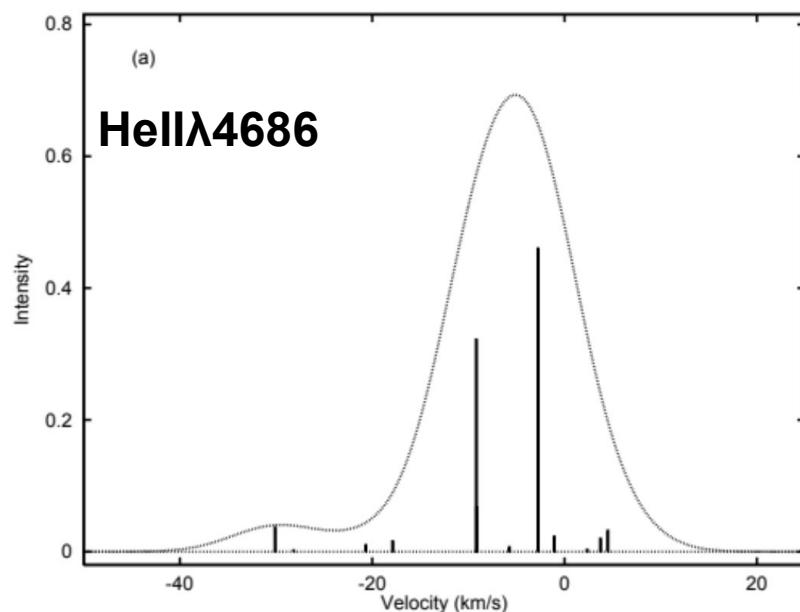


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**Fig. 1.** Profiles of the H I emission lines in velocity space: a) – H $\alpha$ , b) – H $\beta$ , c) – H $\gamma$ . The vertical bars show the position and the relative intensity of the seven components of these lines for the Case B,  $T_e = 5000$  K and  $N_e = 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ . The smooth curve shows these intensities convolved with a velocity of  $15.1 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ , the  $FWHM$  for thermal broadening of H at 5000 K



**Fig. 2.** Profiles of the He II emission lines in velocity space for the Case B,  $T_e = 10\,000$  K and  $N_e = 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ : a) – He II 4686 Å line, b) – He II 3203 Å line, c) – He II 1215 Å line, d) – He II 1640 Å line. The smooth curve shows the component intensities convolved with a velocity of  $10.7 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ , the  $FWHM$  for thermal broadening of He at 10 000 K

# What can the UV SED tell us about primitive galaxies?

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**Abstract.** We use the full SED of a well observed dwarf galaxy, I Zw 18, to evaluate what inferences can be made about very high-redshift galaxies from their UV SED's alone.

**Keywords.** galaxies: evolution, dwarf, individual (I Zw 18), high-redshift, stellar content

UV-faint galaxies at  $z = 7$ , which are the bluest galaxies in the WFC3 high-redshift sample, have  $\beta = -2.7$  (Bouwens *et al.* 2011). Our studies of the northwest ionizing star cluster in I Zw 18 (Heap *et al.*, in preparation) suggest a stellar CSF age of 10-15 Myr and a metallicity,  $[M/H] = -1.7$ . Thus, the stellar component should have a  $\beta = -2.9$ , but its observed value (corrected for foreground reddening) is  $\beta = -2.4$ . The redder observed UV color may be due to our neglect of possible UV flux contributions from old stars ( $\geq 1$  Gyr) in the outskirts of I Zw 18 (Aloisi *et al.* 2007, Contreras Ramos *et al.* 2011). More likely, it is due to nebular continuum emission and/or dust absorption, a topic we take up in the next section.



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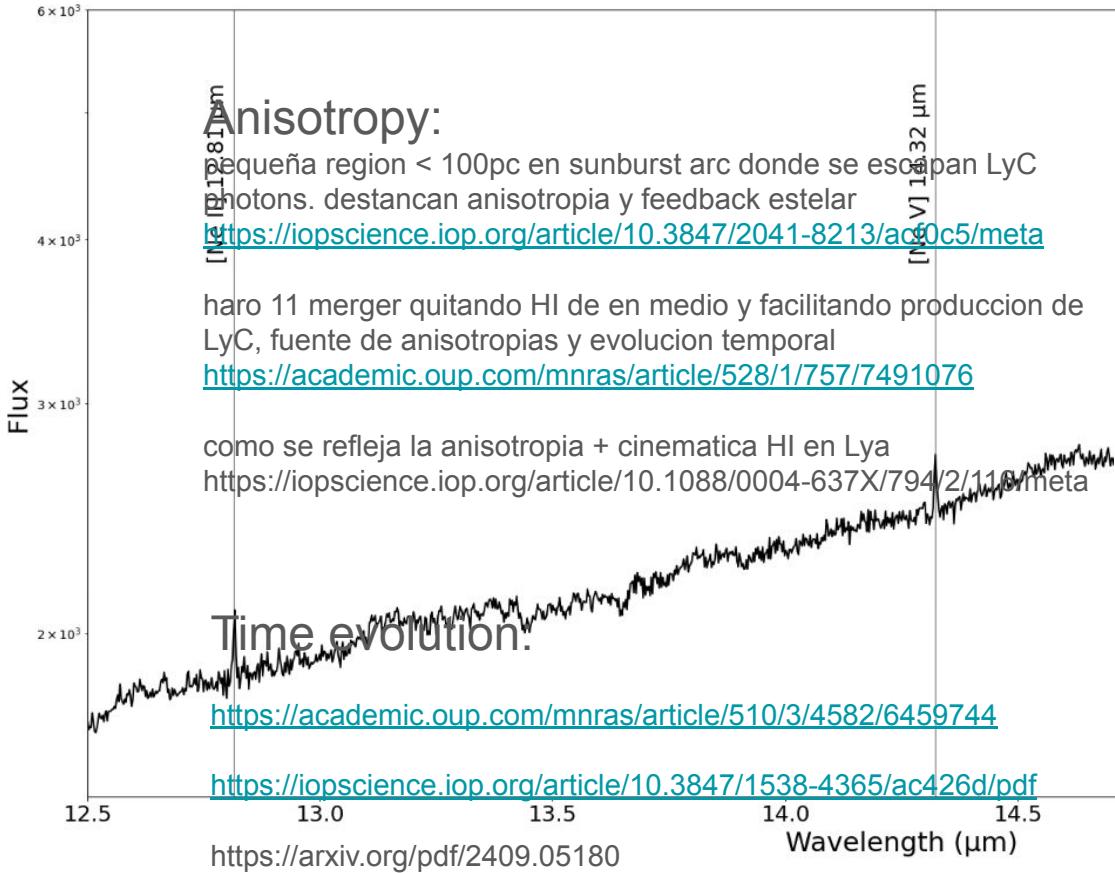
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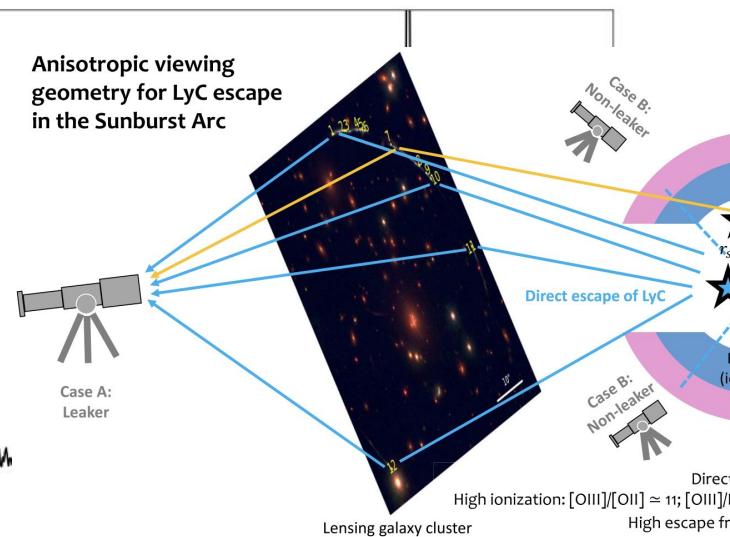
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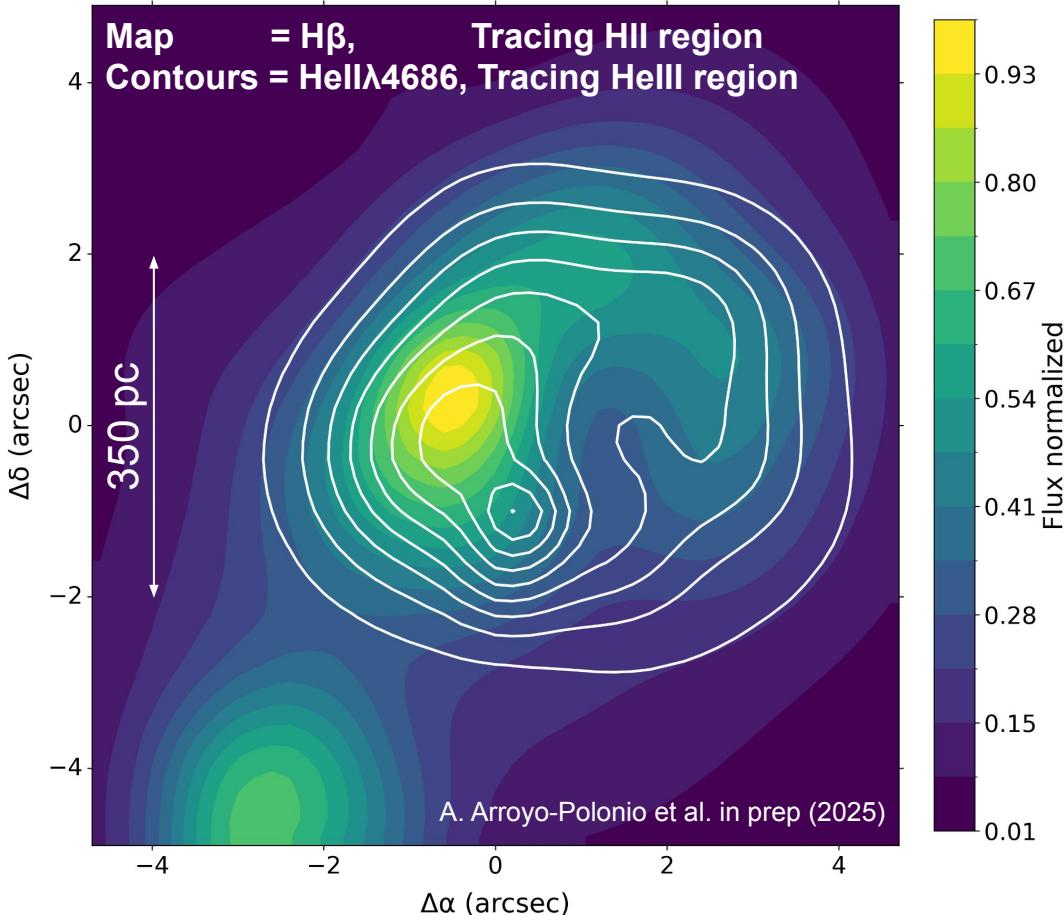
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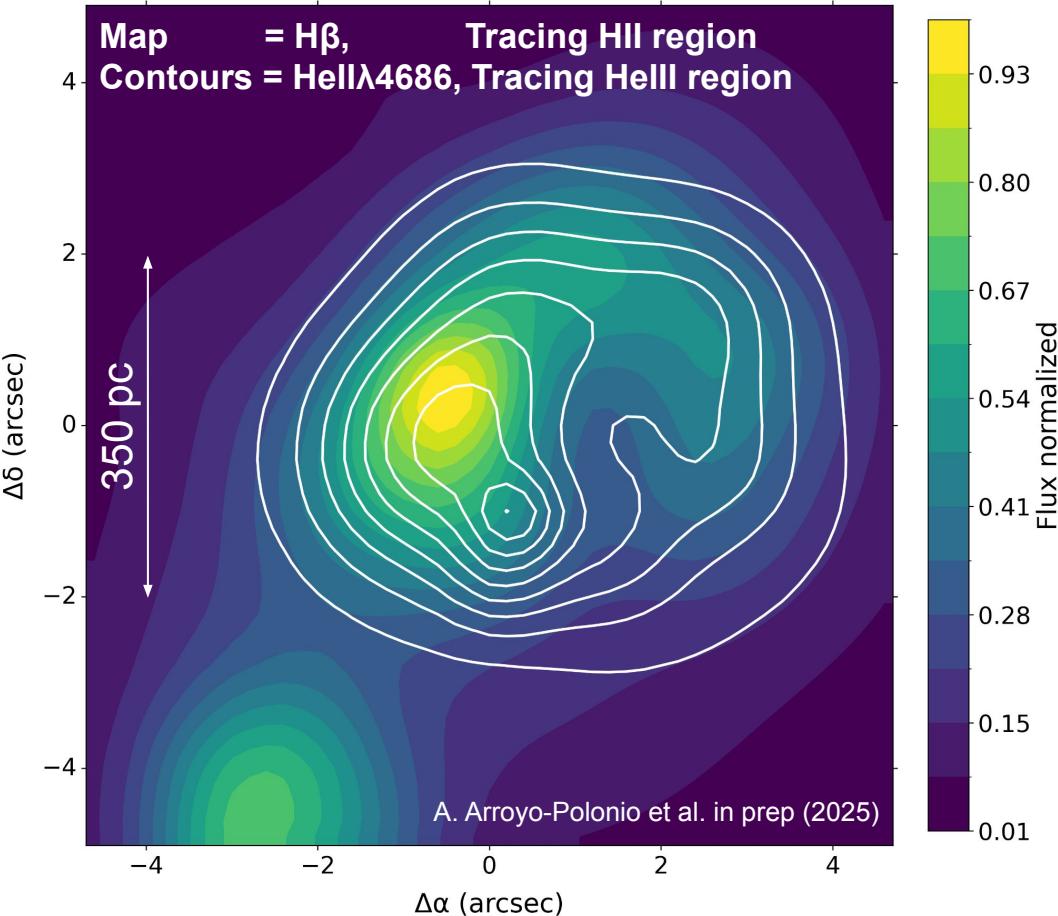


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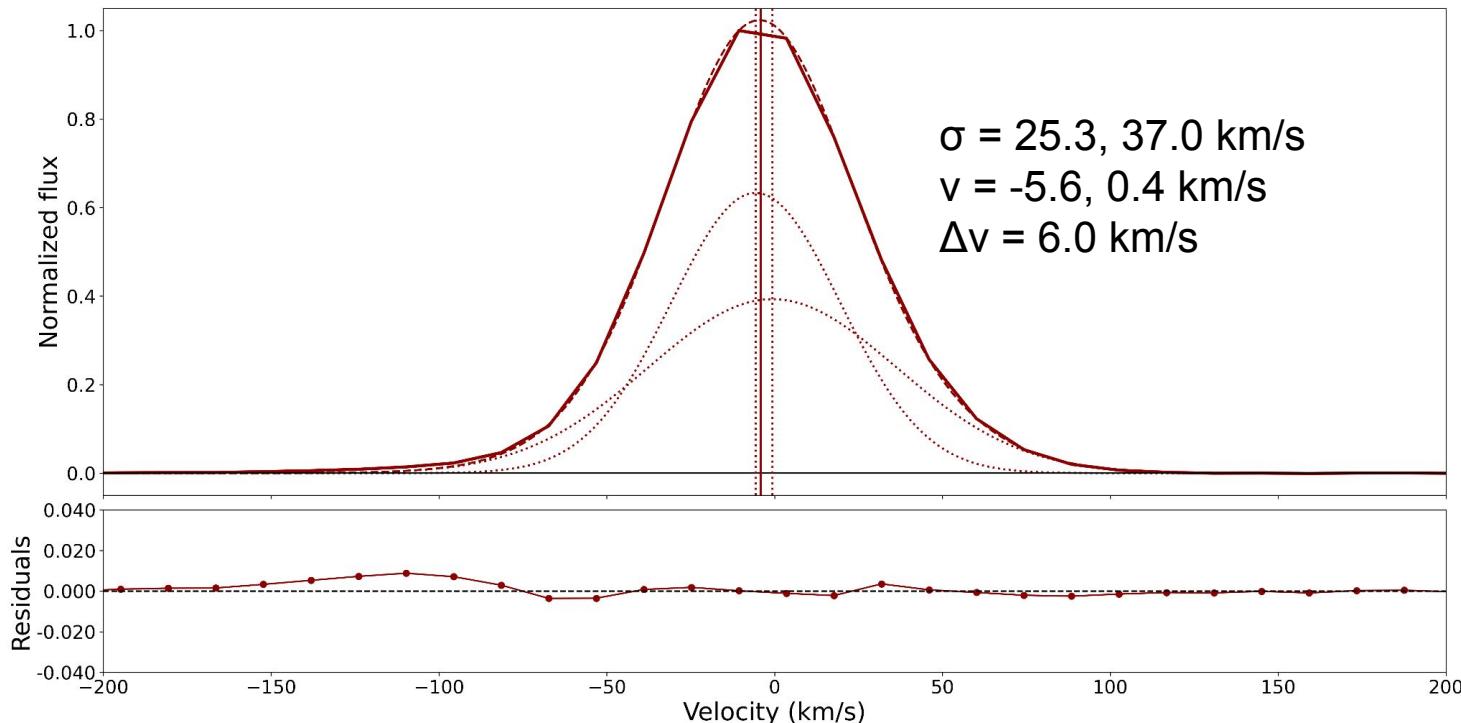
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