

The Gould Belt

Absolute
Magnitude N
-10 to -3.0 ● 116
-2.99 to -2.0 ● 274
-1.99 to -1.0 * 274
≥ -1.0 * 172

LOOP III

LOOP I

LOOP IV

Scorpius-Centaurus OB

Star Forming Regions (SFRs)

835 O9-B6 stars

Capella

Myr OB1

Cep OB2

Plyr OB1

Plyr OB2

Tau OB1

Cassiopeia-Taurus OB

The Sco OB 2 Association

The nearest (massive) star forming region
in the Gould Belt

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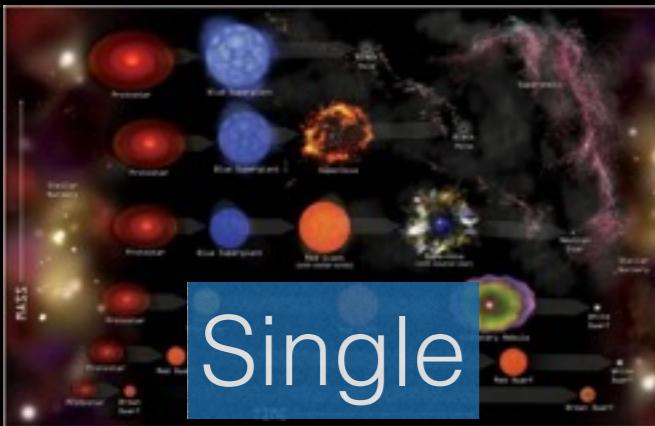
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Outline

- Motivation
- The Gould Belt
- Scorpius-Centaurus OB2
 - Methods (what I'm doing now)
- Gaia

Process of Star Formation

- Different scales



Single



OB association



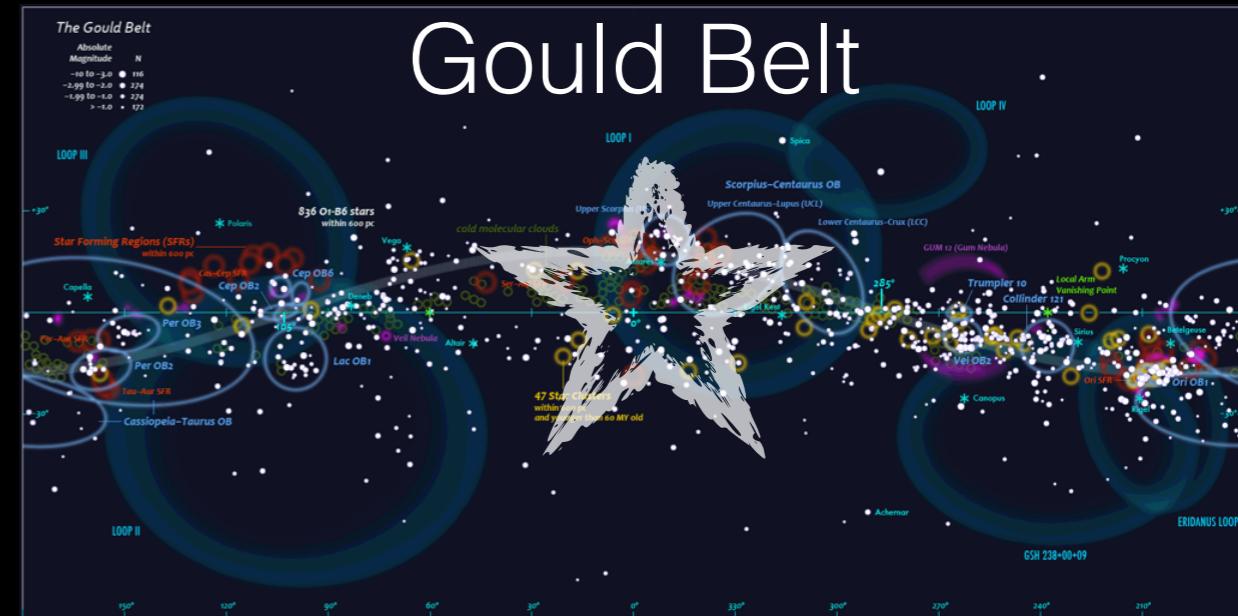
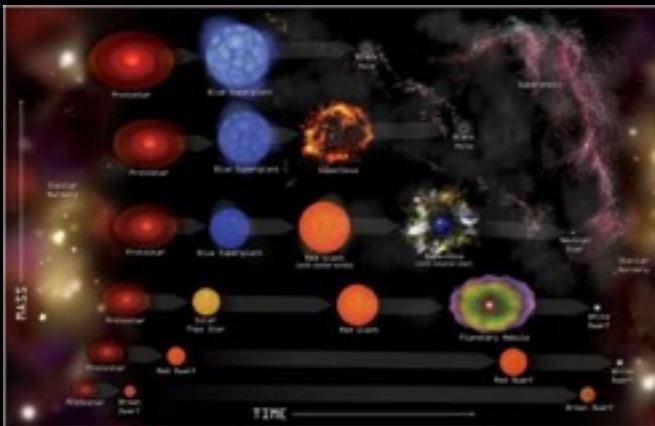
Binary



Galaxy

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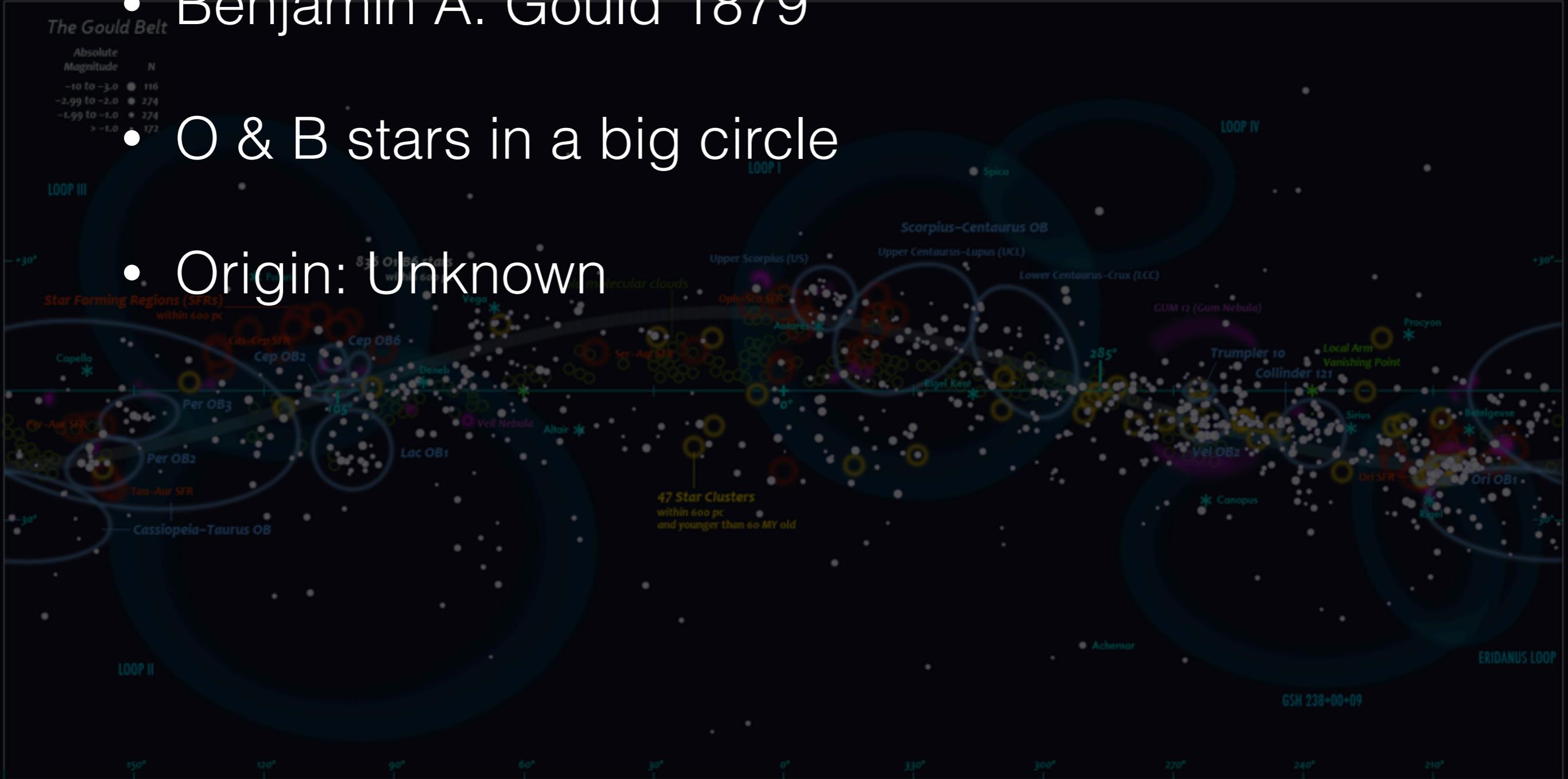


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- Benjamin A. Gould 1879

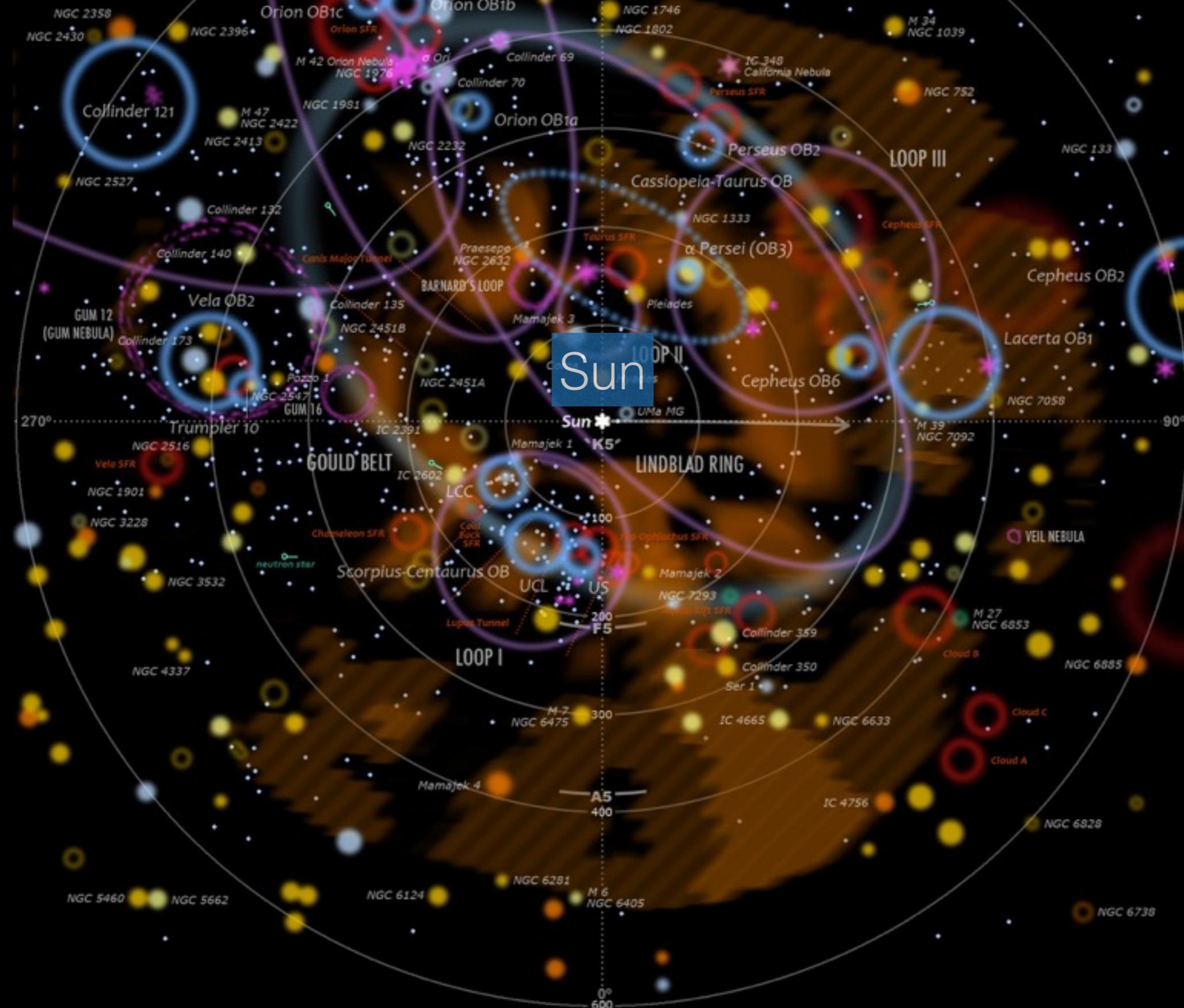
- O & B stars in a big circle

- Origin: Unknown

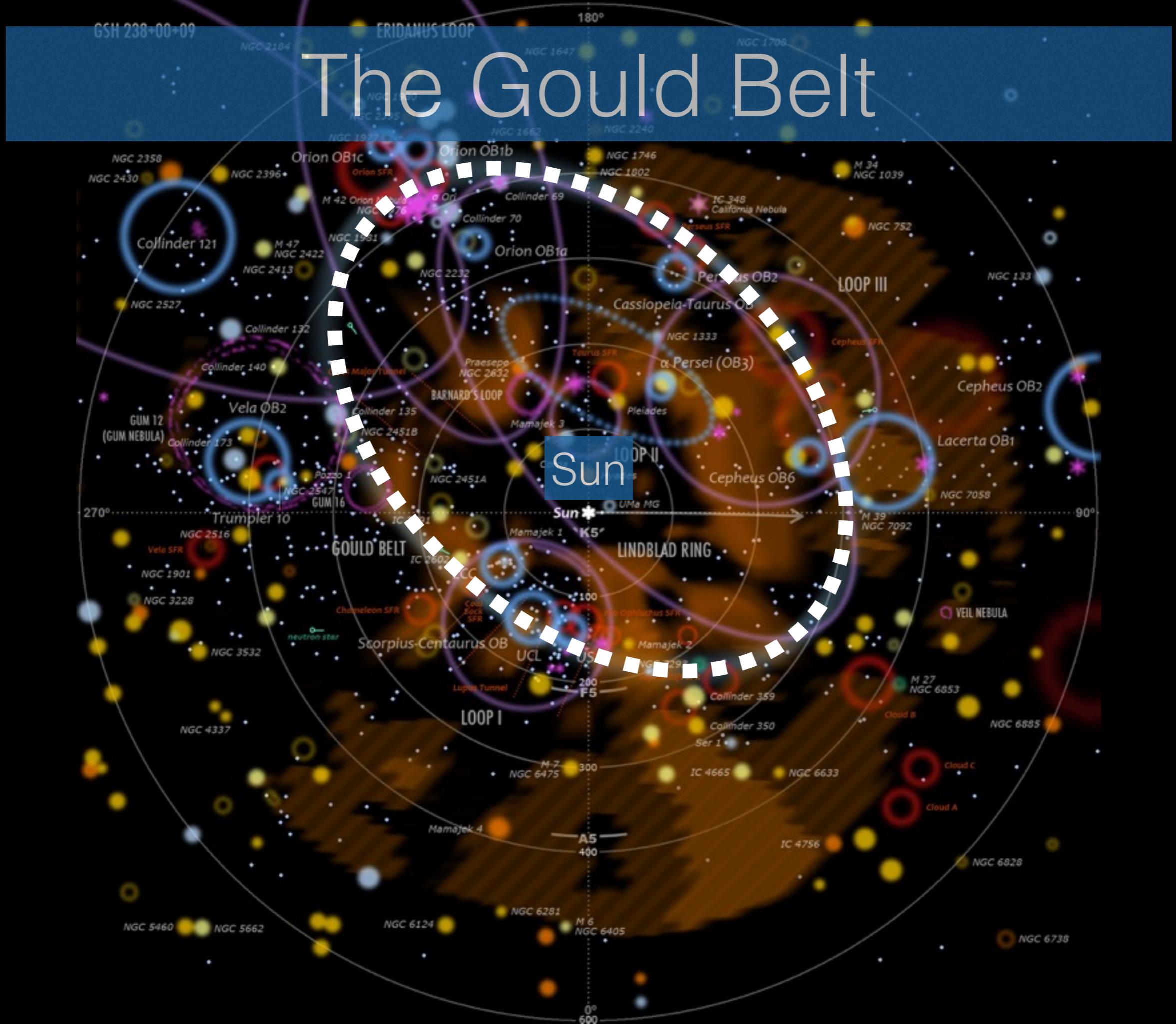




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~700pc (Blaauw 1991)

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+Molecular Gas
(Lindblad 1974)

Orion OB1

Perseus OB2

Cas-Tau

25~50 Myr

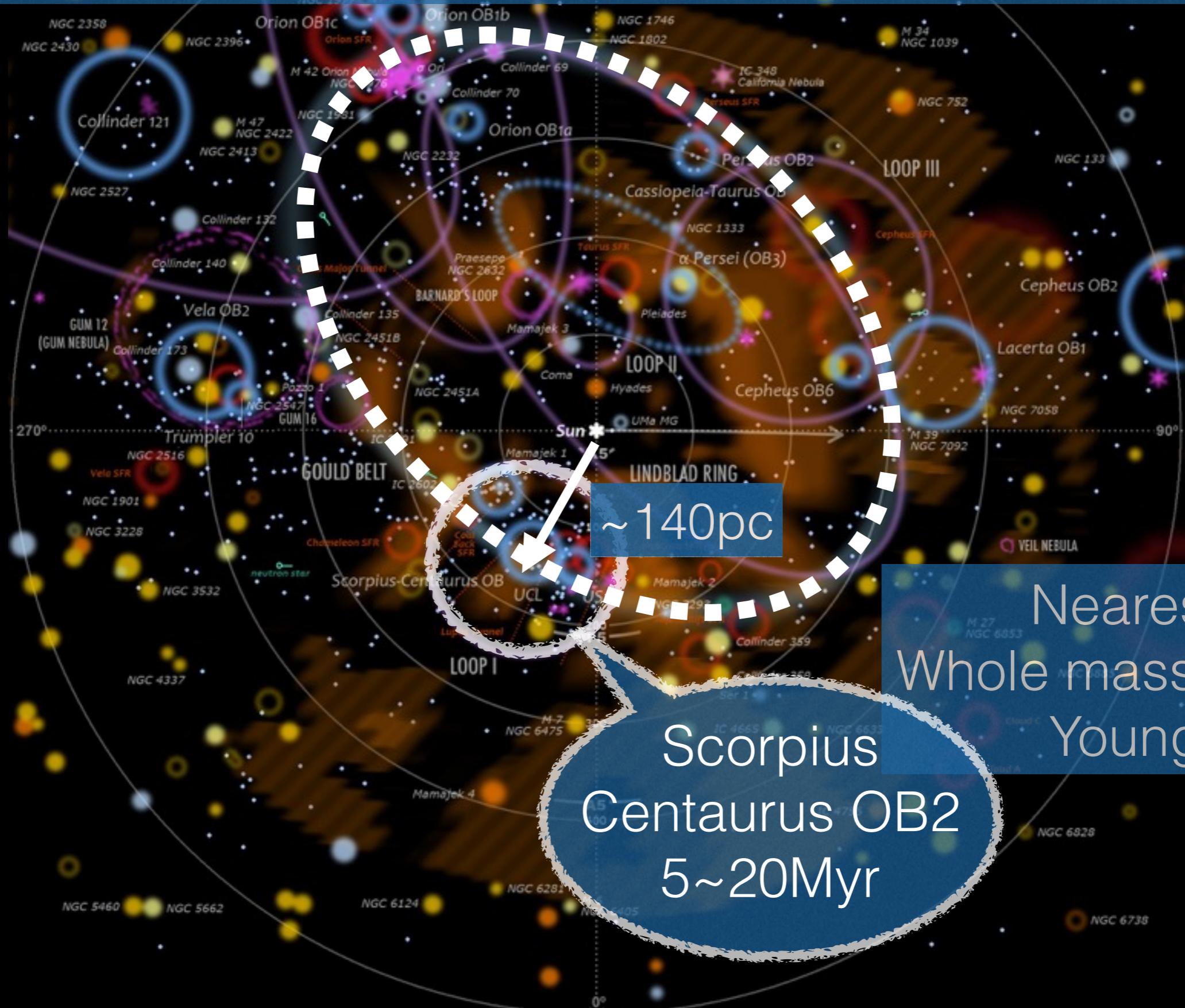
Scorpius Centaurus OB2 5~20Myr

Introduction: Blauww 1991

Complete census: de Zeeuw et al. 1999

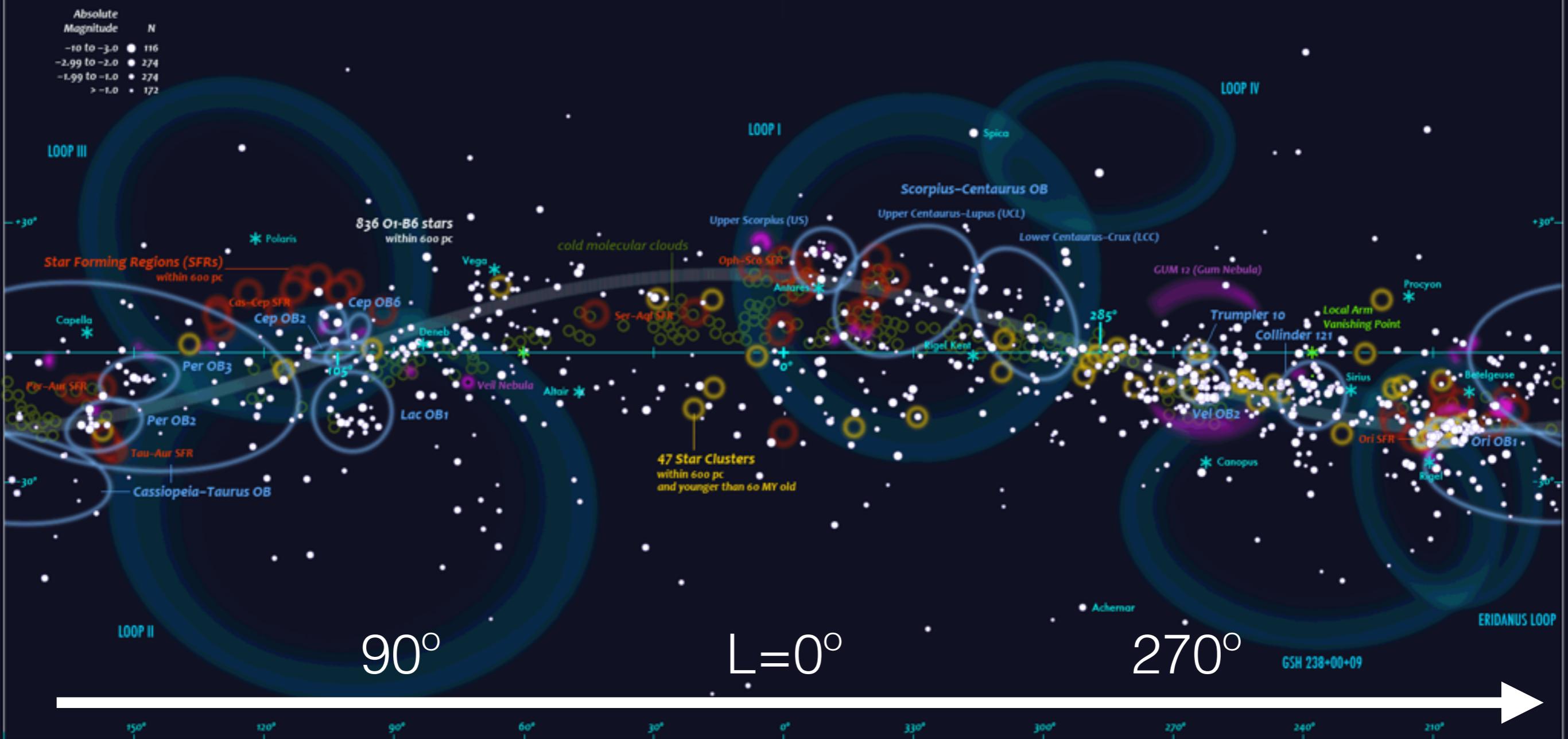
de Geus et al. 1989
Mamajek et al. 2002
Pecaut et al. 2012
Rizzuto et al. 2015

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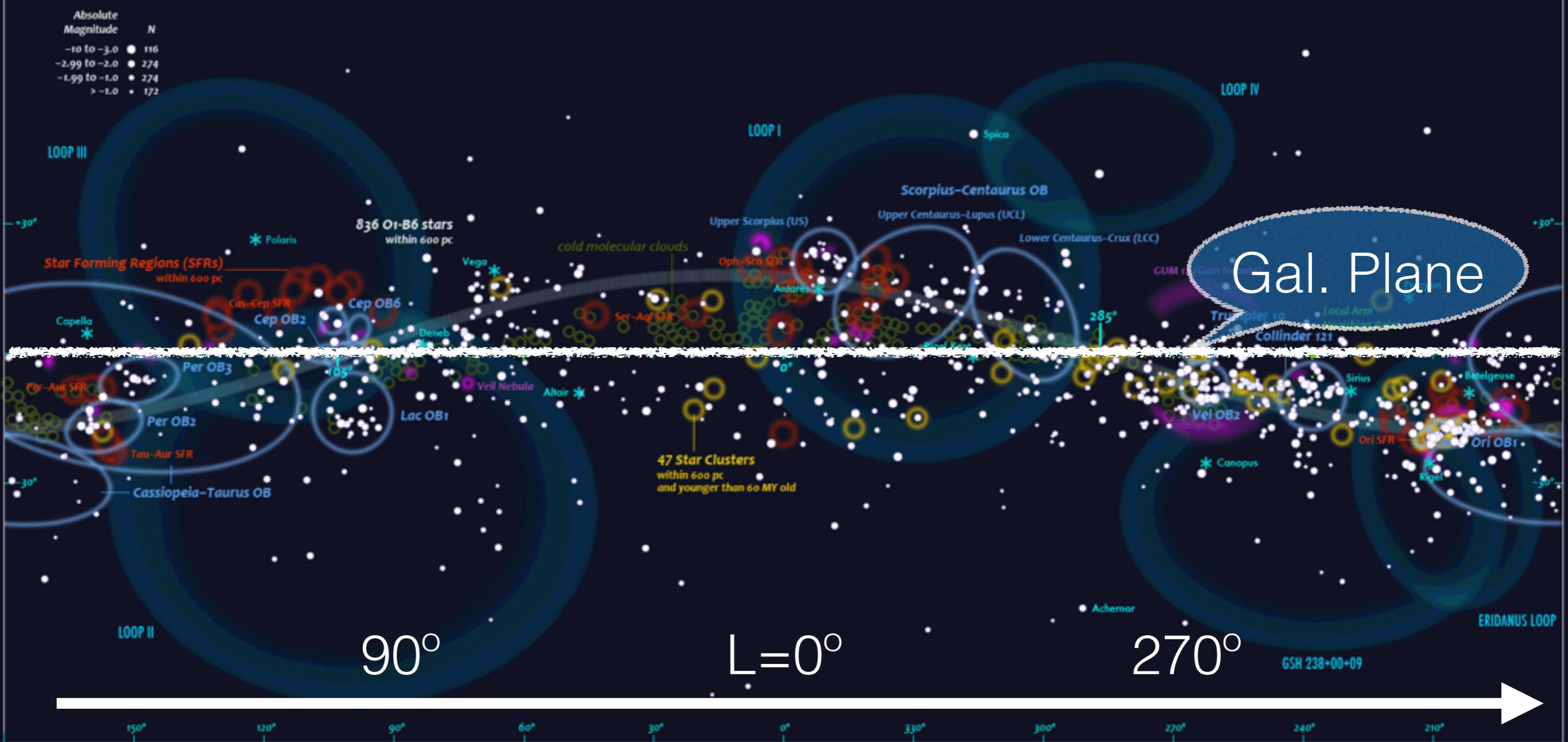
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The Gould Belt



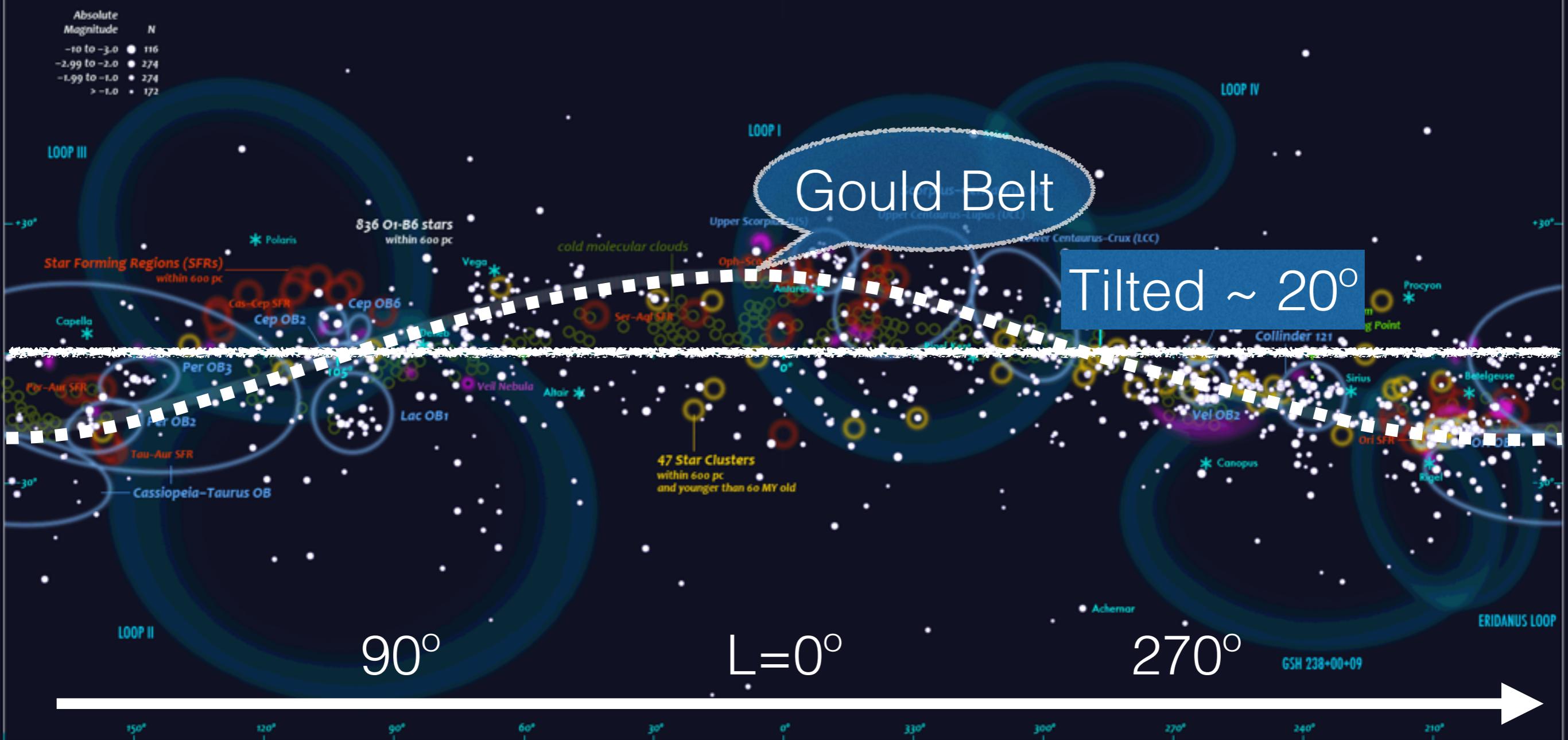
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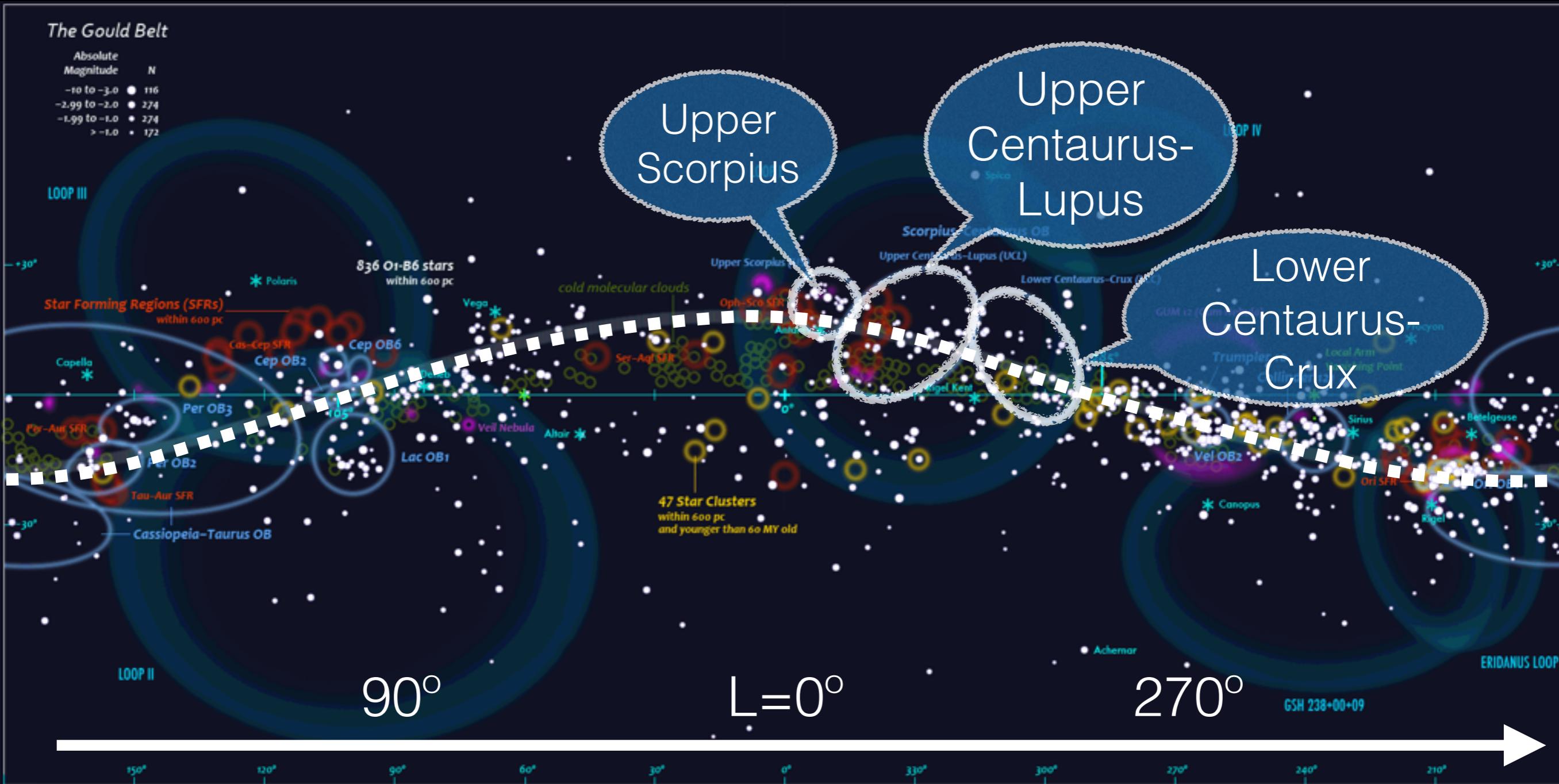


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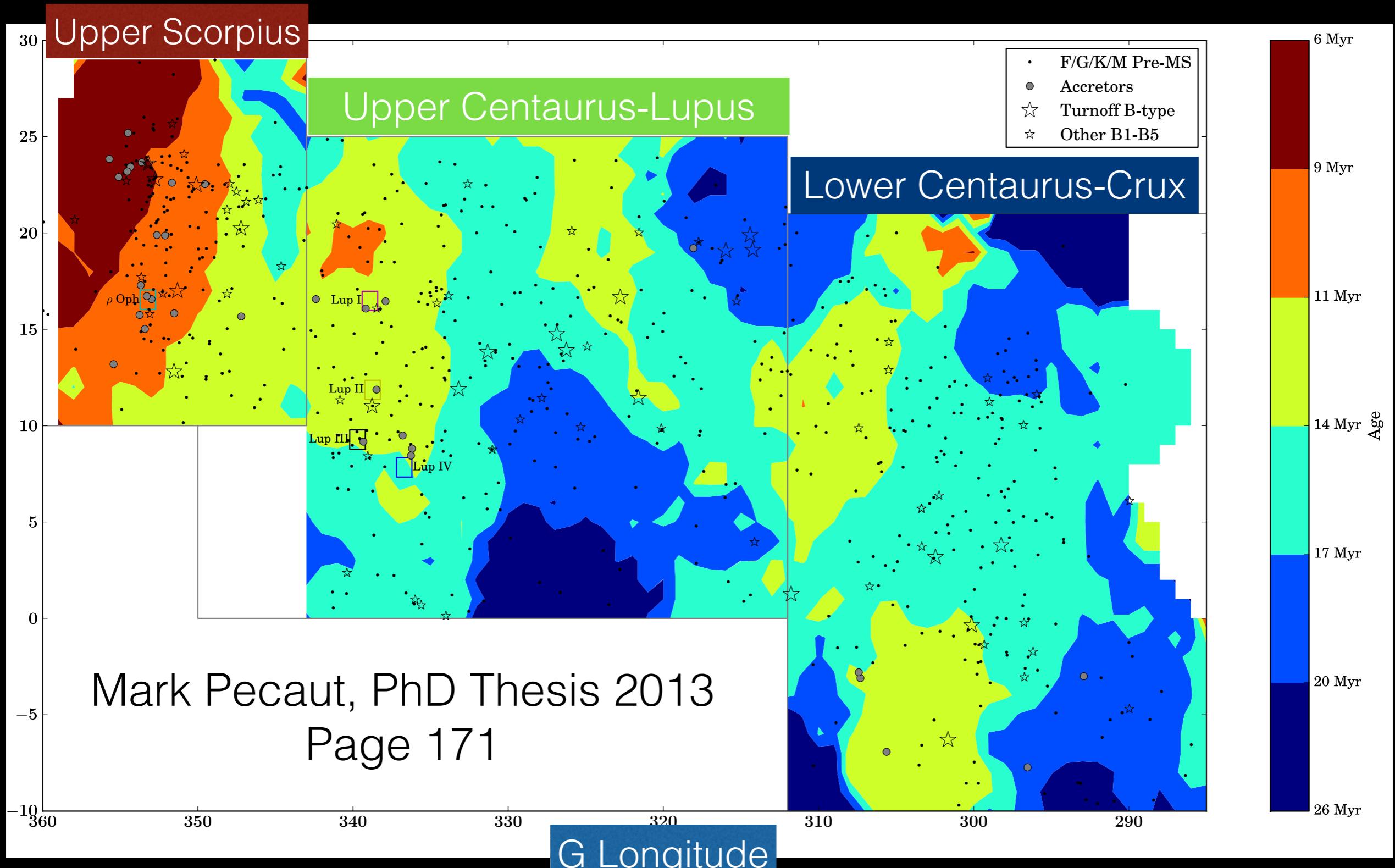
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Scorpius-Centaurus OB2 in the Gould Belt



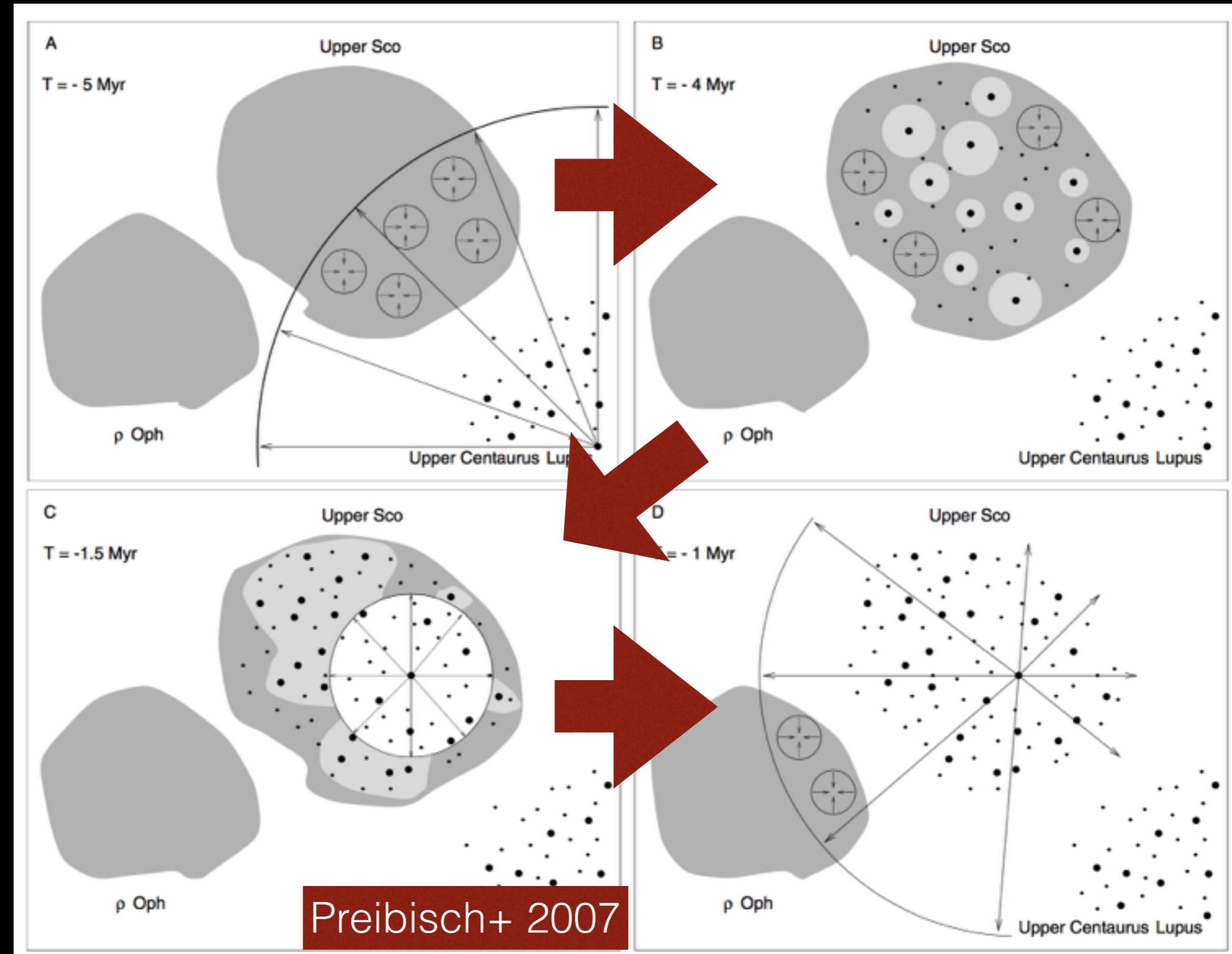
The Age Map in Sco-Cen



Sequential Star Formation

Adriaan
Blaauw 1964,
1978, 1991

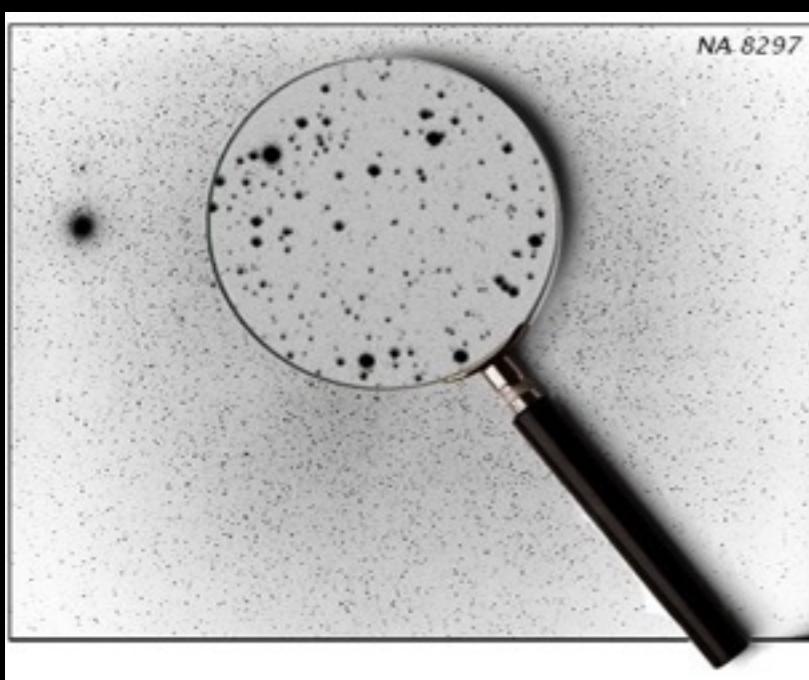
Elmegreen &
Lada 1977,
Thaddeus
1977



Step 1: Determine Membership

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- Measure the proper motions



Photographic plate

Long, long ago...

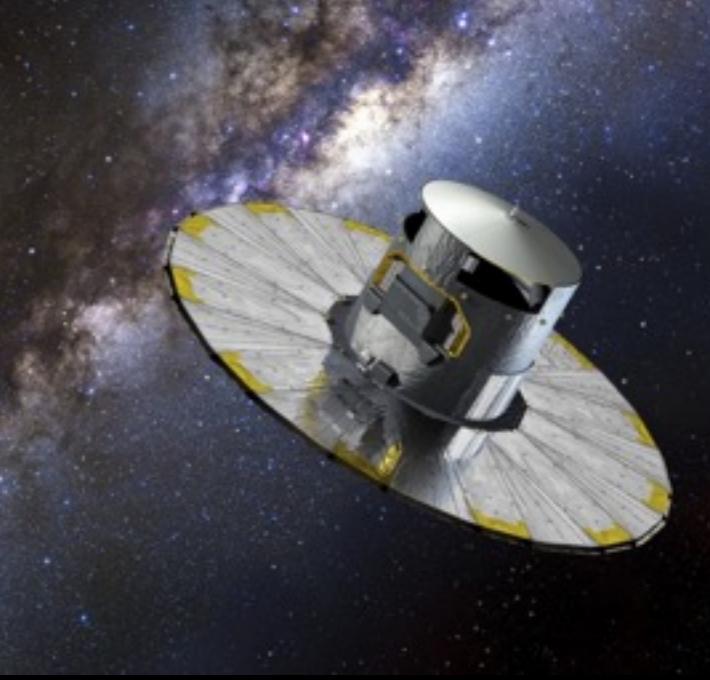


HIPPARCOS

1997

sub-arcsec/yr

~mas/yr



Gaia

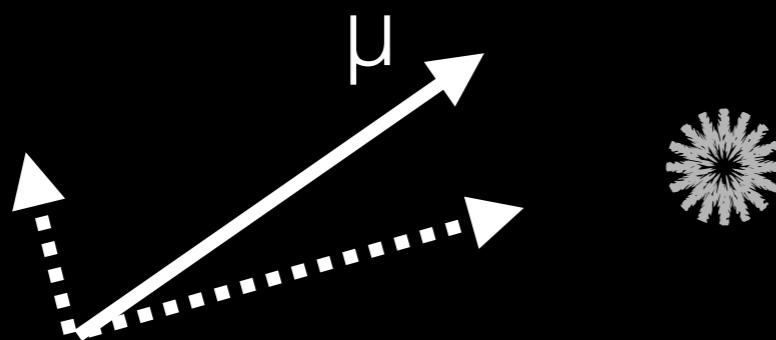
~2017

~50μas/yr

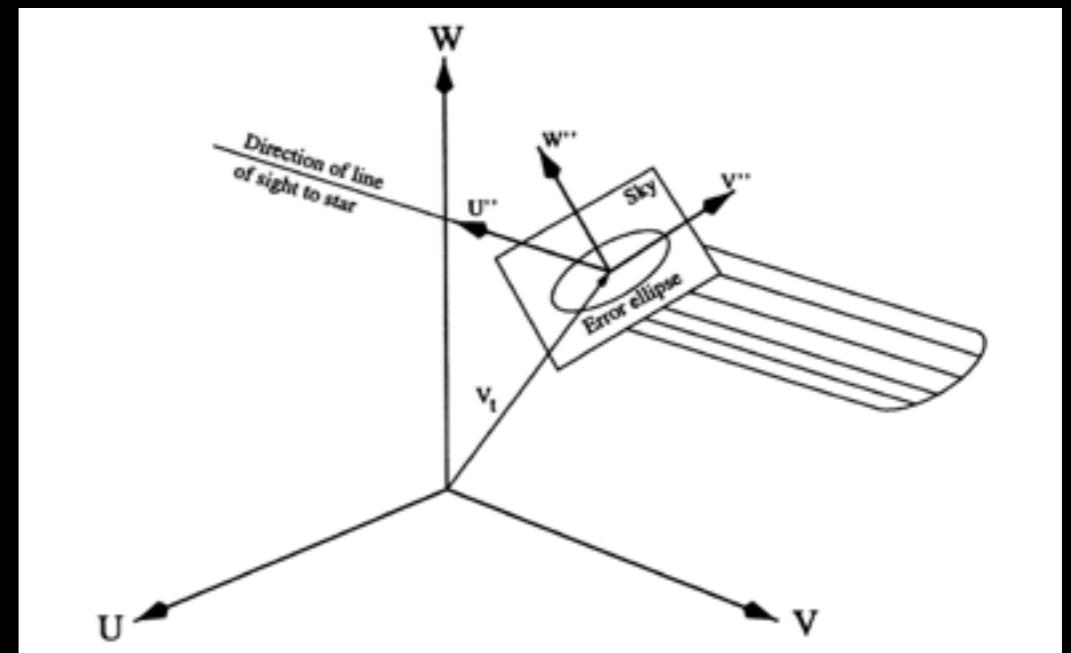
+RV! ~1km/s

Step 1: Determine Membership

- Methods: convergent point + “spaghetti”



Convergent point
de Bruijne 1999

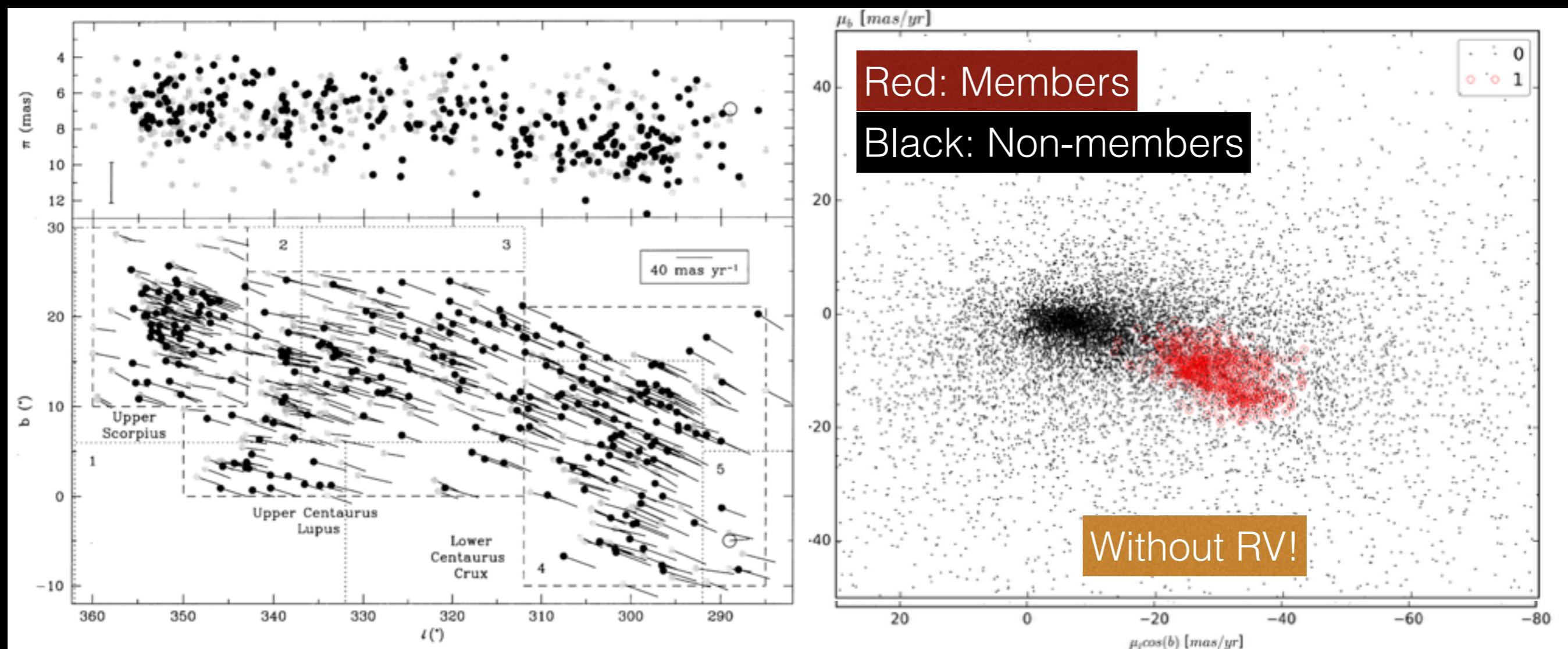


Spaghetti Method
Hoogerwerf et al. 1999

de Zeeuw et al. 1999

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- Example - Sco OB2, 521 members

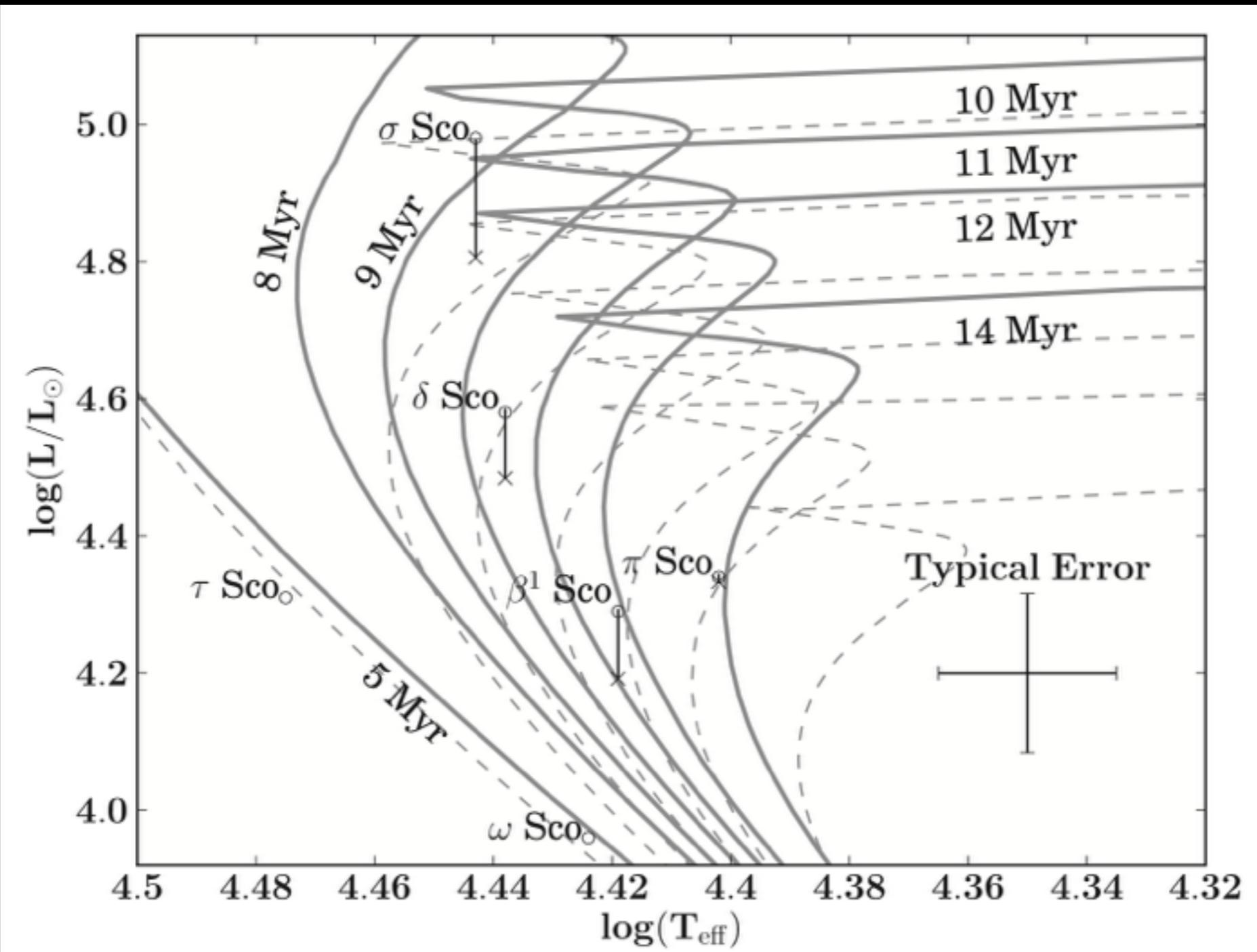


De Zeeuw et al. 1999

Step 2:
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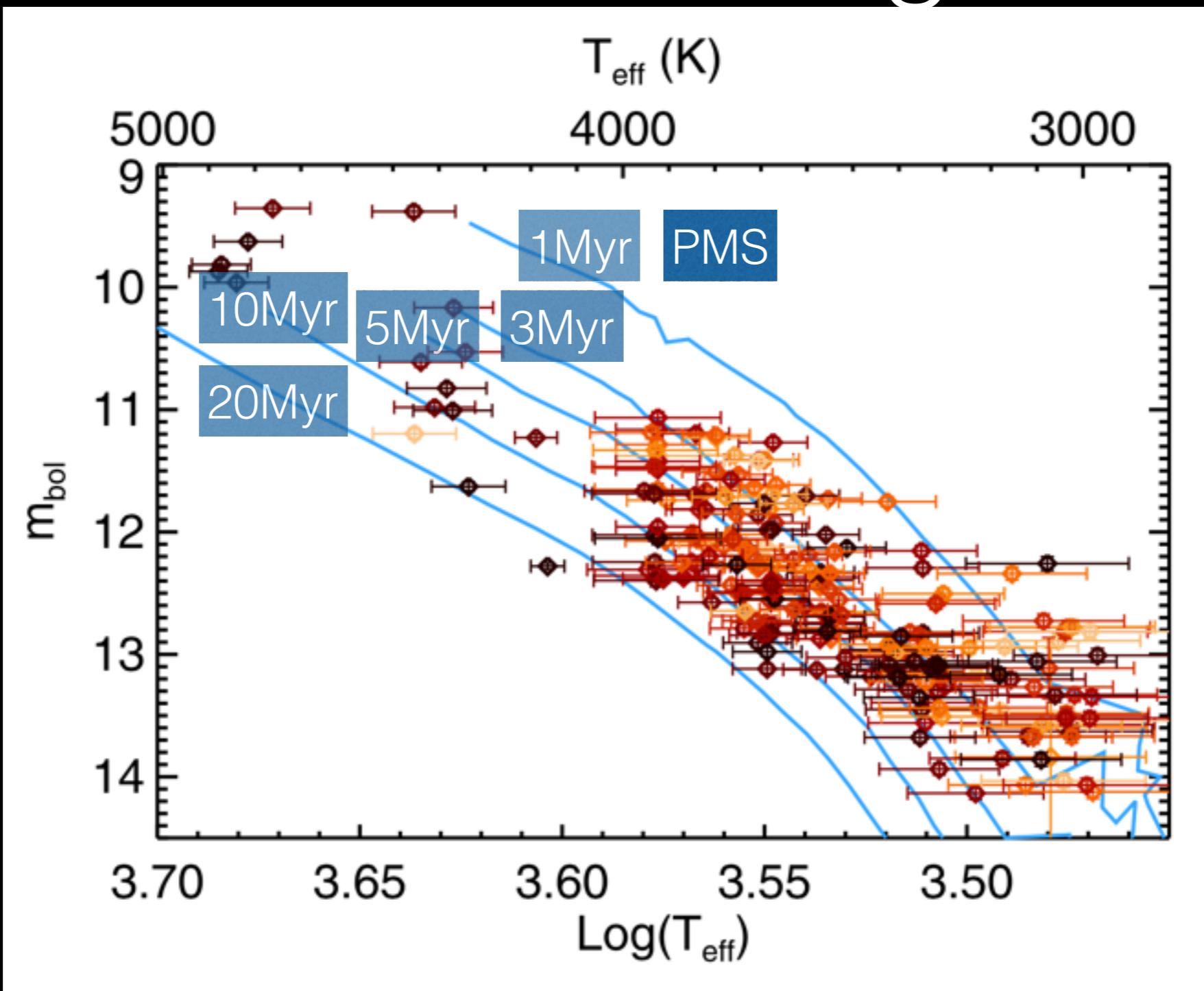
USco
High
mass



Pecaut et al. 2012

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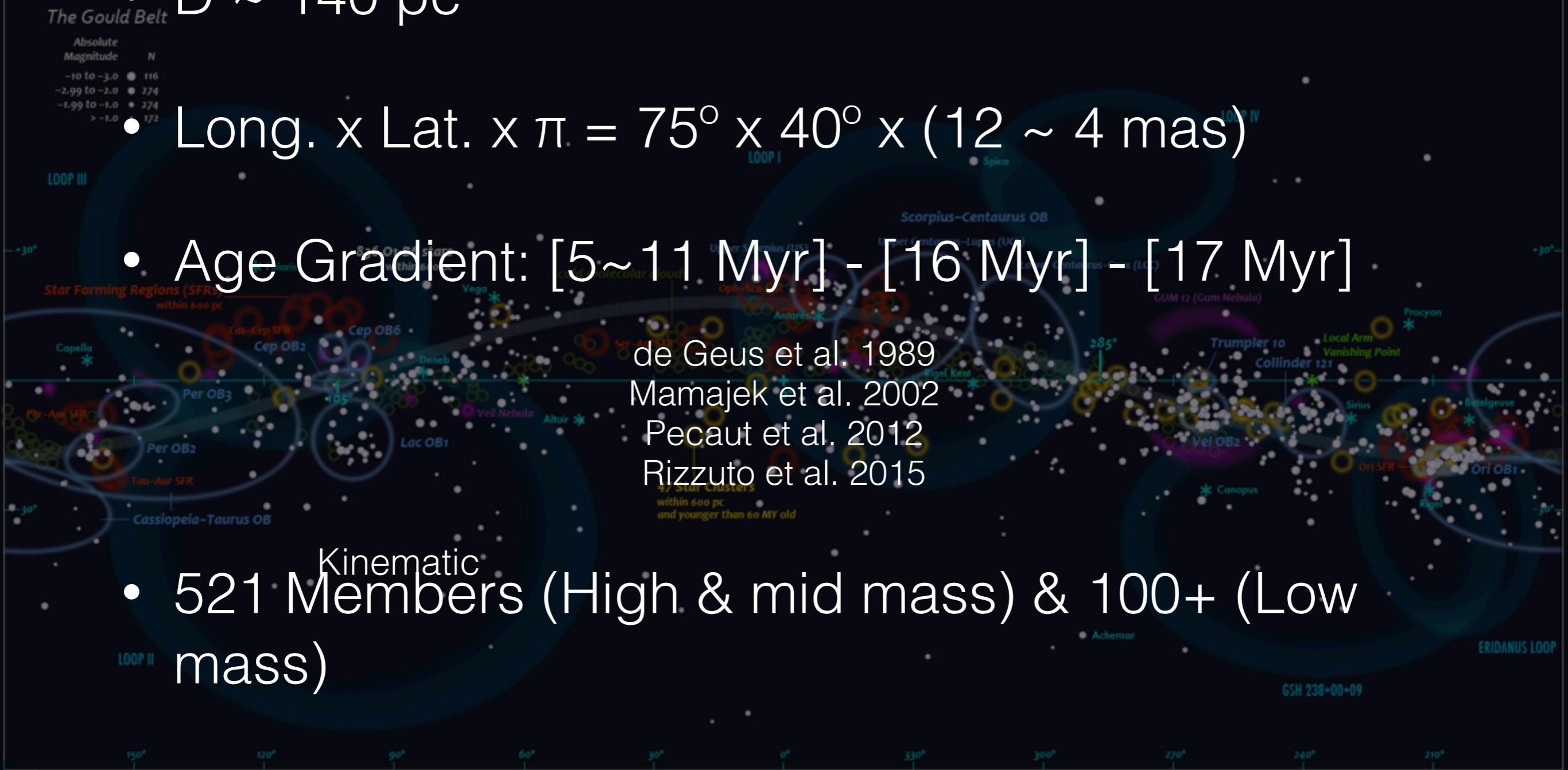
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Rizzuto et al. 2015

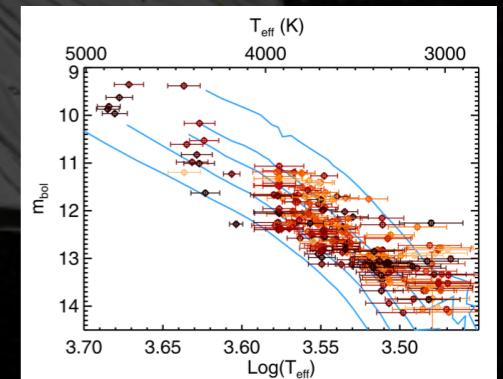
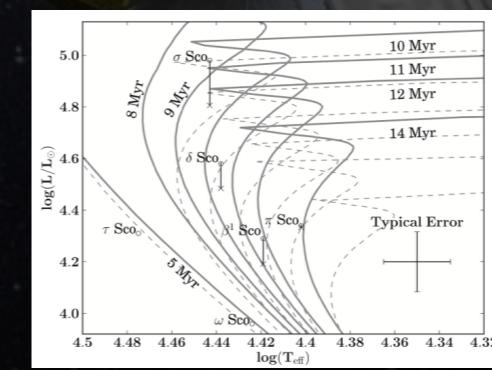
Sco OB2

- $D \sim 140$ pc



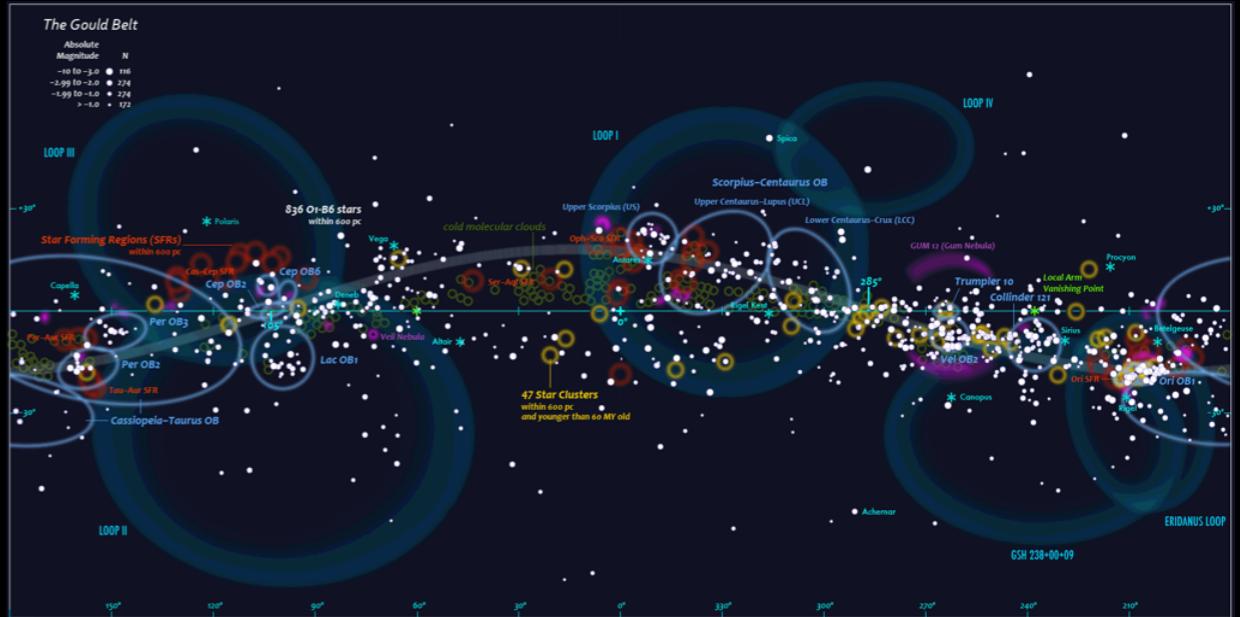
Gaia

- 1st release: 20x precise PM on existing HIP PM
- Complete population with PM and RV
 - More members, better stat.
- Less error —> velocity dispersion
- Expansion, velocity-mass relation, binaries, runaways, etc.
- Photometry: complete HRD
- —> Origin of the Gould Belt



Key Points

- The Gould Belt: Origin?
 - configuration
- Sco OB2: Start point, Sequential SF
- Gaia: PM+RV, complete population in the Gould Belt



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