

# First Science with the Virtual Observatory

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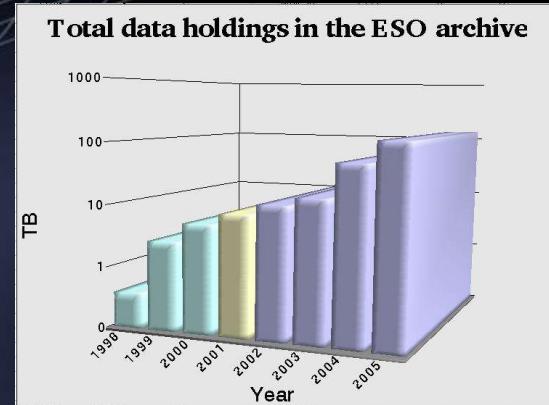
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# Outline

- Introduction to Virtual Observatories
- Science with the VO
  - Search for type 2 Quasars
  - AGB to PN transition objects
- Tools available now
- Virtual Observatory Future Outlook

# Why do we need VO?

- Imminent Technical Challenges
  - Data volumes and rates
  - Major archives growing: Tbytes/yr
    - Doubling time: 6-12 months
    - Faster than Moore's Law (18 months)
    - Device access rates & last mile of thin wire are the real bottle necks
- *Take the computation to the data*
  - *Ship the results, not the data*

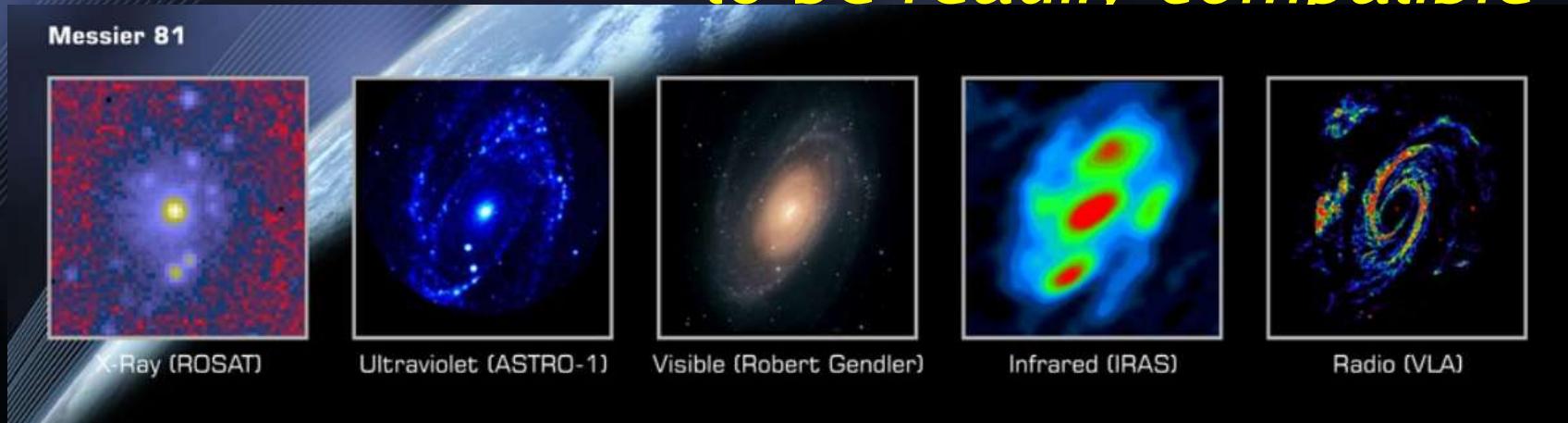


# Scientific Motivation

Multi- $\lambda$  science requires

- Data from different telescopes
- Analysis tools
- on-line services
- archived information

to be *readily compatible*



# Science drivers

- Find all info on a given set of objects
  - Defined by positions, colours, morphology,...
- Build SEDs from multi-archive data
  - Accounting for instrumental, sensitivity, aperture effects
- “*Outlier Science*” Multi-d parameter searches
- Compare LSS with ‘*virtually observed*’ N-body simulations
- Re-analyse the SLOAN, MACHO
- Multi- $\lambda$  census of AGN
- Build a survey to search for Cosmic Shear

# Virtual Observatories

- VO = framework for interoperable systems
- VO Vision: *All Astronomy resources as if they were on your desktop*
- “*Observing the digital sky*”

# Interoperability

- Common query language
- Uniform interfaces for diverse data
- Analysed by the same tools
- Astronomical interoperability
  - Coordinates, Units, photmetric systems, ...
  - Describing content in standard way
- The key to interoperability is the use of Standards

# International Virtual Observatory Alliance

## Member Organizations



# Core Components

- Finding available data, services
  - Registries
- Accessing the data and services
  - Data Access layer protocols: SIA, SSA
  - Common query language: VOQL
  - Contents Description: Metadata, formats
  - Workflow: Linking services together

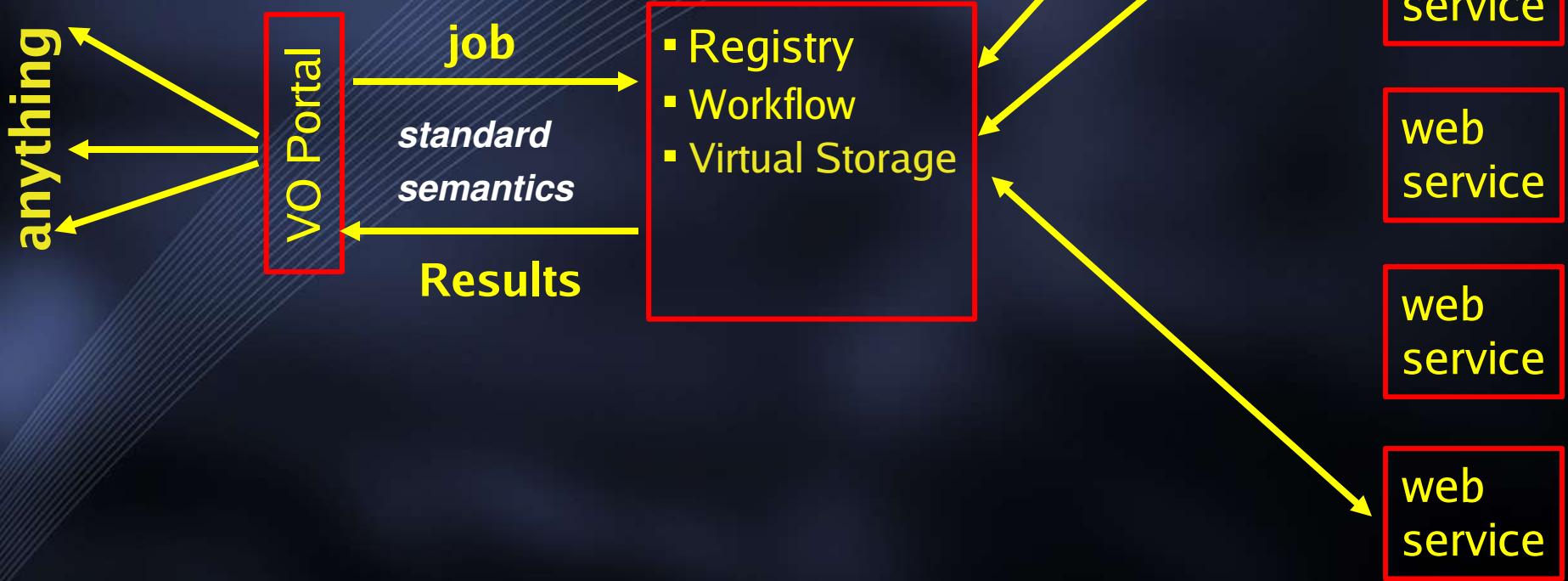
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# today



# Tomorrow



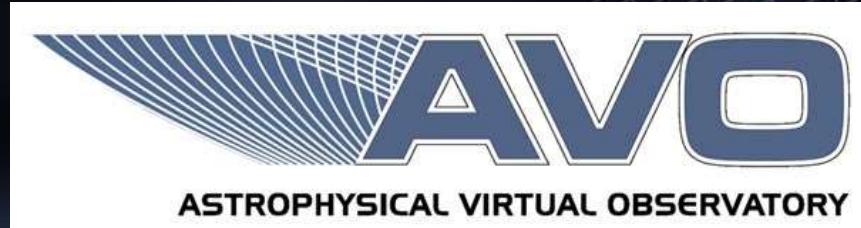
# Standards

- Registry standards
  - Describing resources/services
- Simple Image/Spectra Access Protocols
- Format standard: VOTable, (FITS)
- VO Query Language
- UCD: semantics
- Data Model
- Web Services – following IT industry

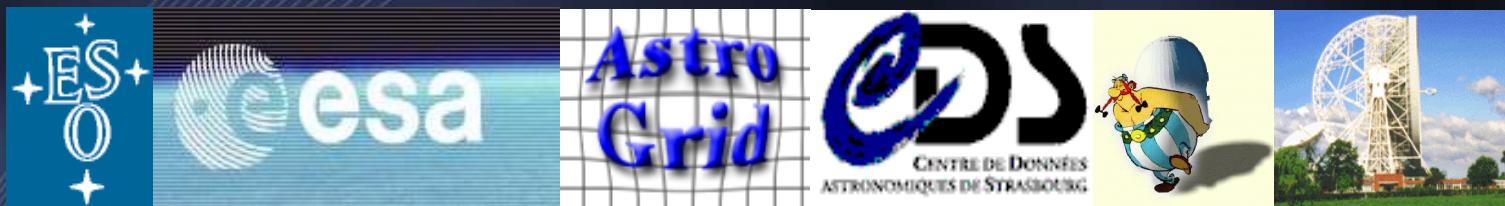
# Status

- Milestone: Phase-A studies finalised
  - AVO, AstroGrid, NVO
  - Moving on to building real services
- Prototype VO tools → Scientific Results
  - Many projects/archives adopting standards
  - WWW growth effect starting



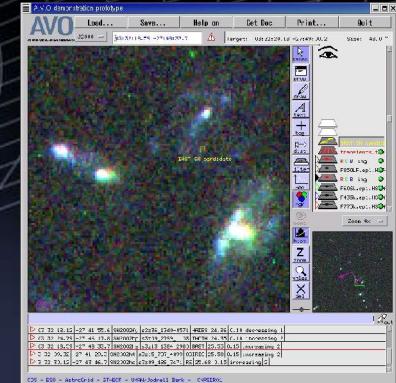


- R&D on scientific requirements and technology for building a VO
- 6 European organisations

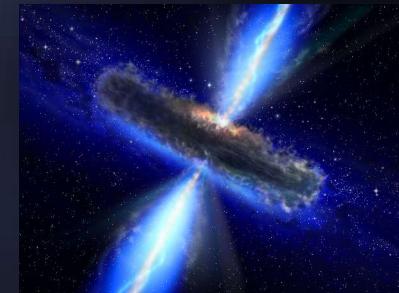


- 3 yr phase-A, 2001-2004/5
- Driven by strategy of scientific VO demonstrations

## Demo 2003: First Light VO Visualisation and Data Discovery



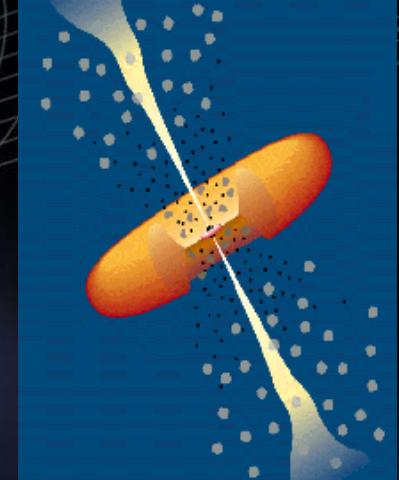
## Demo 2004: First Science Searching for type 2 Quasars using Virtual Observatory tools



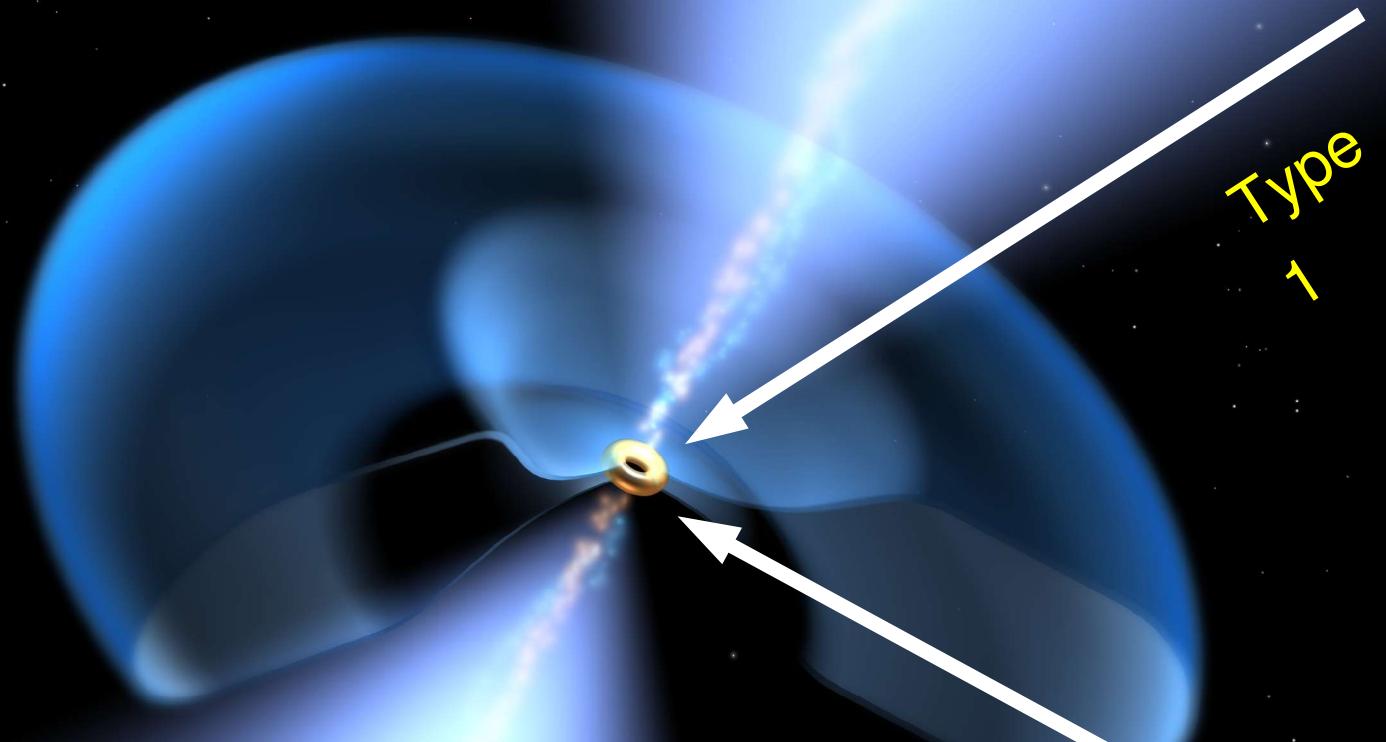
## Demo 2005 AGB to Plantary Nebulae transition Workflow: SEDs to Models



# AGN Unified Model



- Different types of AGN explained by the physics of the
  - Black hole
  - Accretion disk
  - Jet and
  - Torus
- Convolved with the geometry of the viewing angle
- Urry & Padovani (1995), Jaffe et al. (2004)



Type  
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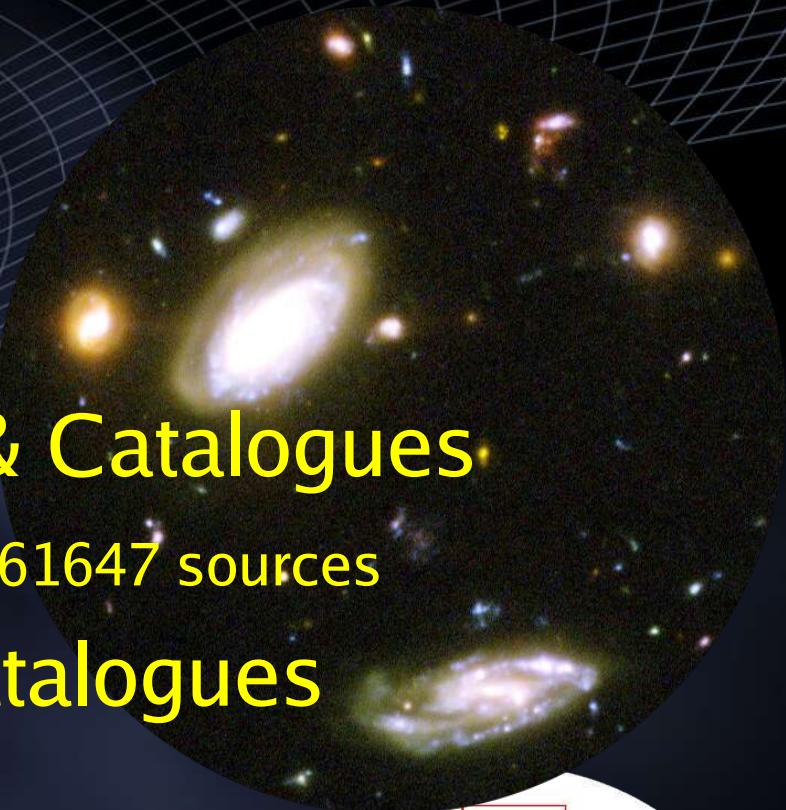
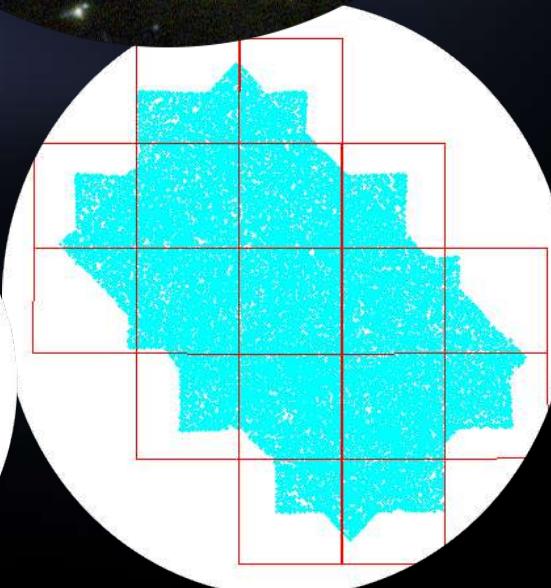
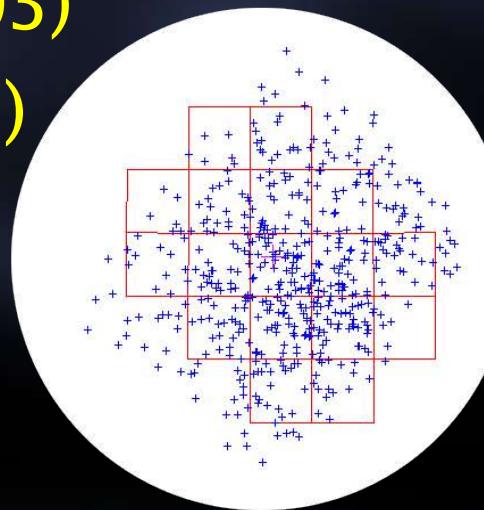
Type 2

# Type 2 AGN

- Local *low power* type 2s : Seyfert 2s
- High power counterparts: QSO 2 (*type 2 quasars*), difficult to find.
- Heavily reddened and fall through optical/UV selection
- However...
  - Hard X-rays can penetrate the torus

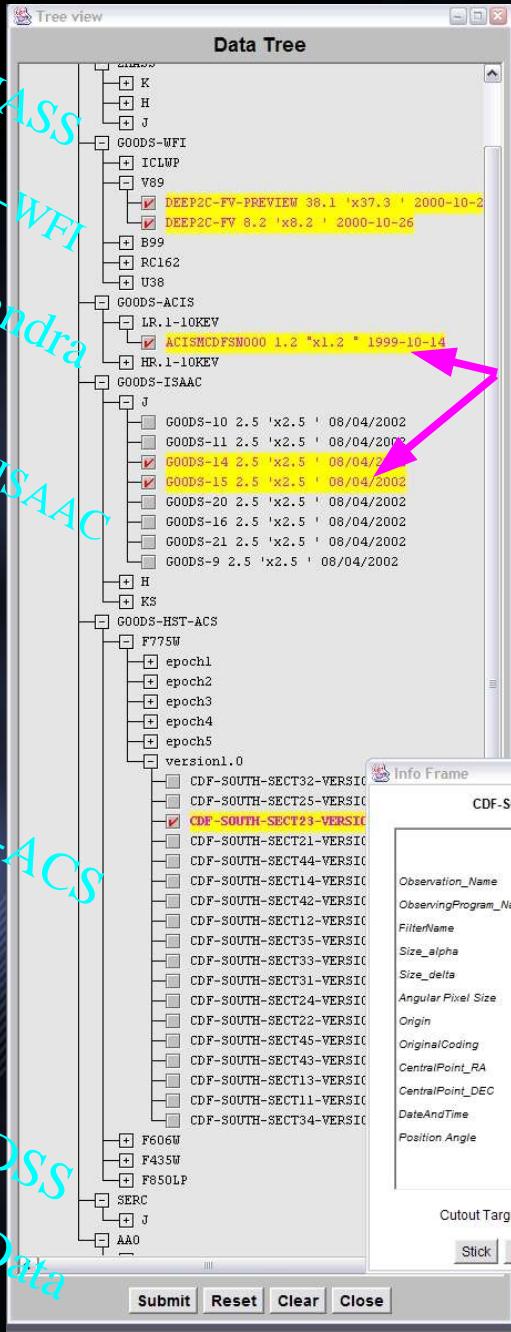
# Data

- GOODS: *Bviz* Images & Catalogues
  - CDF-S (+UDF), HDF-N : 61647 sources
- Deep X-ray Chandra Catalogues
  - Alexander et al. 2003
  - HDF-N 2Ms (503)
  - CDF-S 1Ms (326)



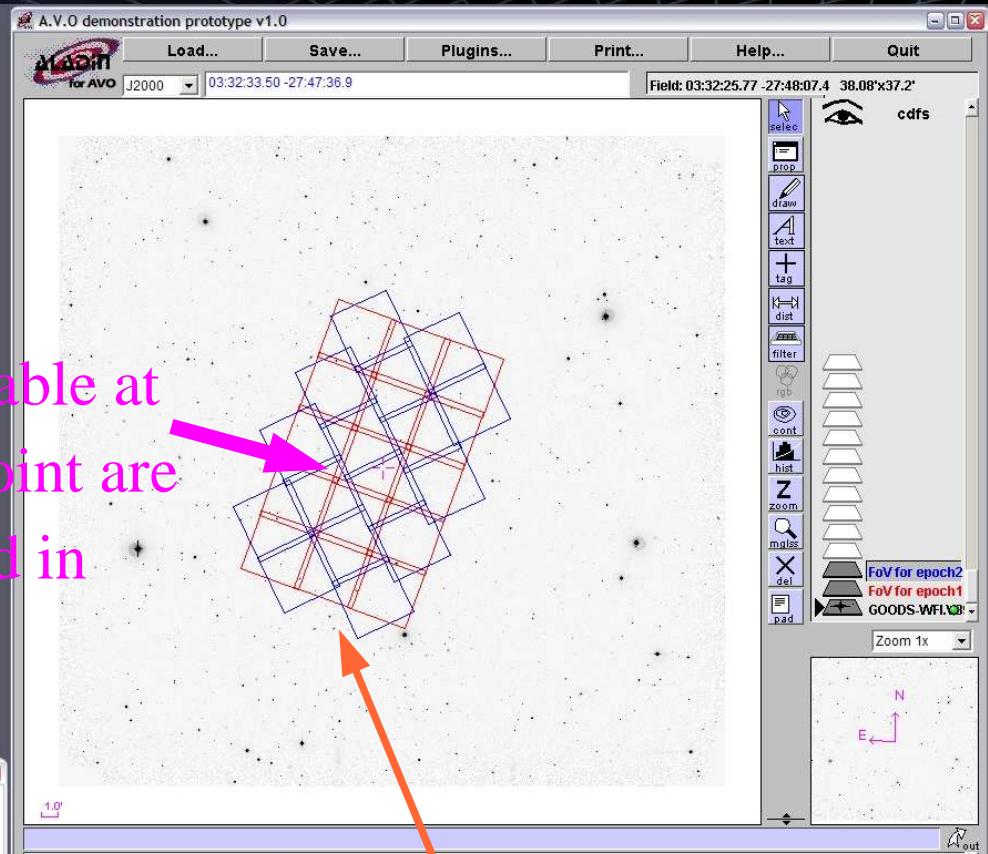
# AVO prototype

- Registry of services (GLU)
- CDS Aladin interface
  - Interactive manipulation of image and catalogue data
  - “Portal” for access to services/data
- Cross-matching service for catalogues
- Conventions for accessing remote data
- Remote calculations
- Interoperable with other VO tools



2MASS  
ESO-WFI  
Chandra  
VLT-ISaac  
HST-ACS  
DSS  
My Data

Data available at selected point are highlighted in tree



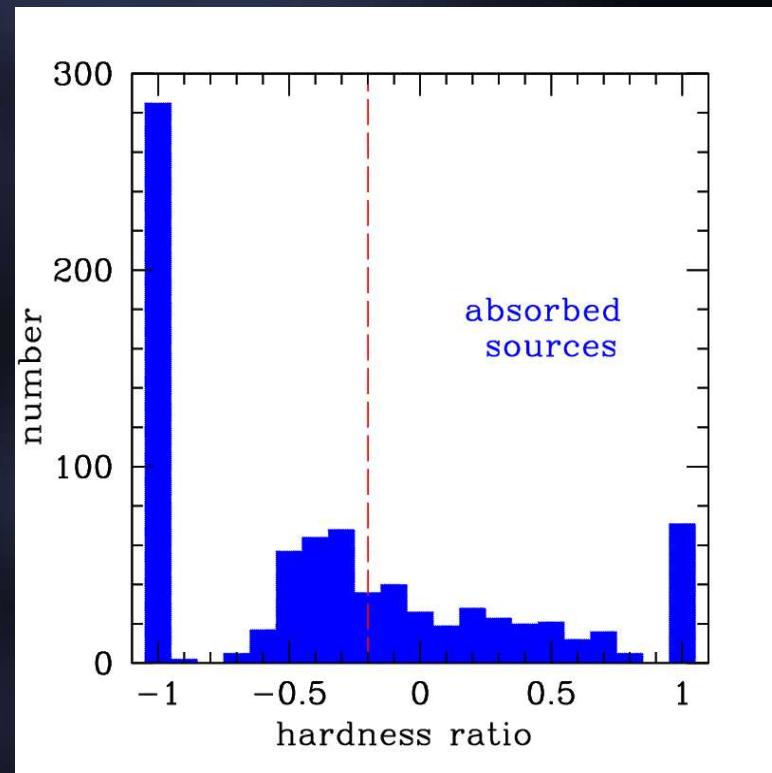
Field of view outlines are plotted automatically  
Image metadata

# Method

- Select candidates based on two key physical properties of Type 2 AGN:
  - Obscured – absorbed
    - Chandra X-ray catalogues
  - High power – to be classed as AGN
    - Empirical relation for  $L_x$  using  $\text{flux(2-10 keV)} / \text{flux(R-band)}$

# Absorbed sources

- HardnessRatio  
 $HR = (H-S)/(H+S)$   
 $S = 0.5 - 2.0 \text{ keV}$   
 $H = 2-8 \text{ keV}$
- Type 2 AGN have  
 $HR > -0.2$
- Increasing  $z$  makes sources appear softer therefore discard some high- $z$  type 2s
- 294 absorbed sources  
(CDF-S: 104, HDF-N:190)

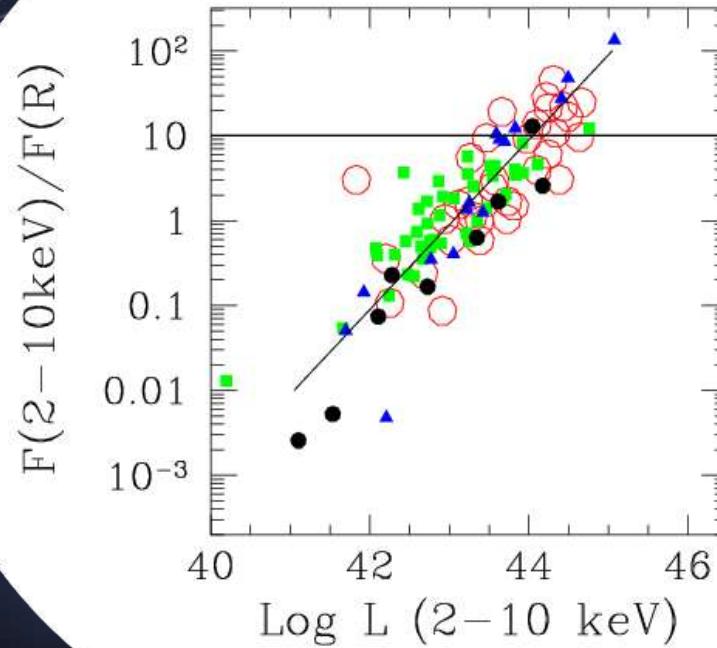


# Optical counterparts

- X-match absorbed sources with GOODS z-band catalogs
- Detect and correct for systematic shift
- Take positional uncertainty into account
  - $(\text{Match distance})/\text{error} < 1$
  - Most match distances  $< 1.25''$
  - False match estimate: 8 – 15%
- Almost all (HDF-N, CDF-S) X-ray sources have optical counterparts

# Estimate X-ray Power

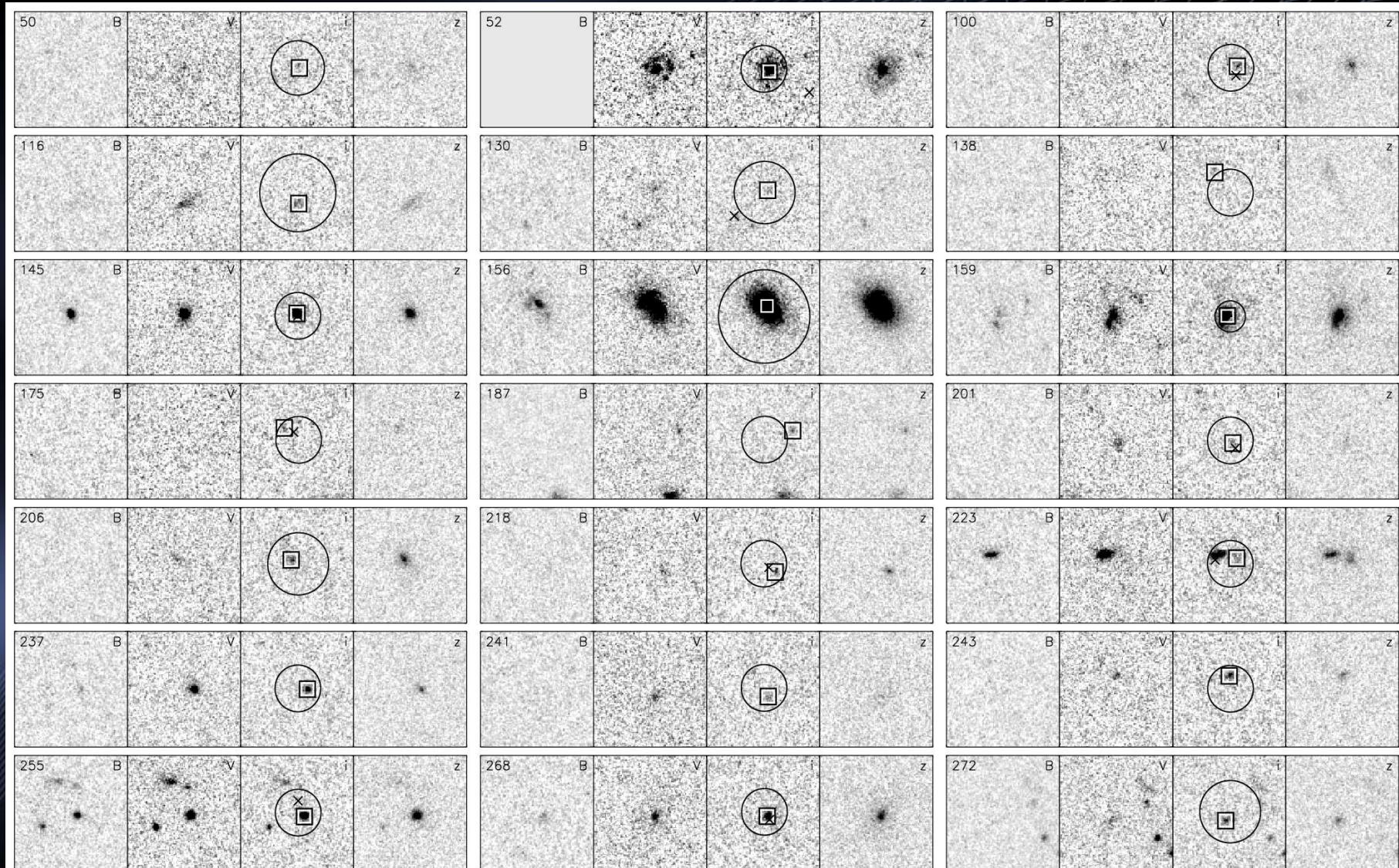
- Fiore et al. (2003) relation for type 2 objects
- $\text{flux(2-10 keV)} / \text{flux(R)}$   
 $\sim L(\text{nucleus}) / L(\text{host galaxy R})$
- Since R luminosity (unlike X-ray power) show modest scatter, this flux ratio is a good estimator of X-ray power



$$\text{Log } L(2-10 \text{ keV}) = \text{Log } f(2-10 \text{ keV})/f(R) + 43.05 \quad (\text{erg s}^{-1})$$

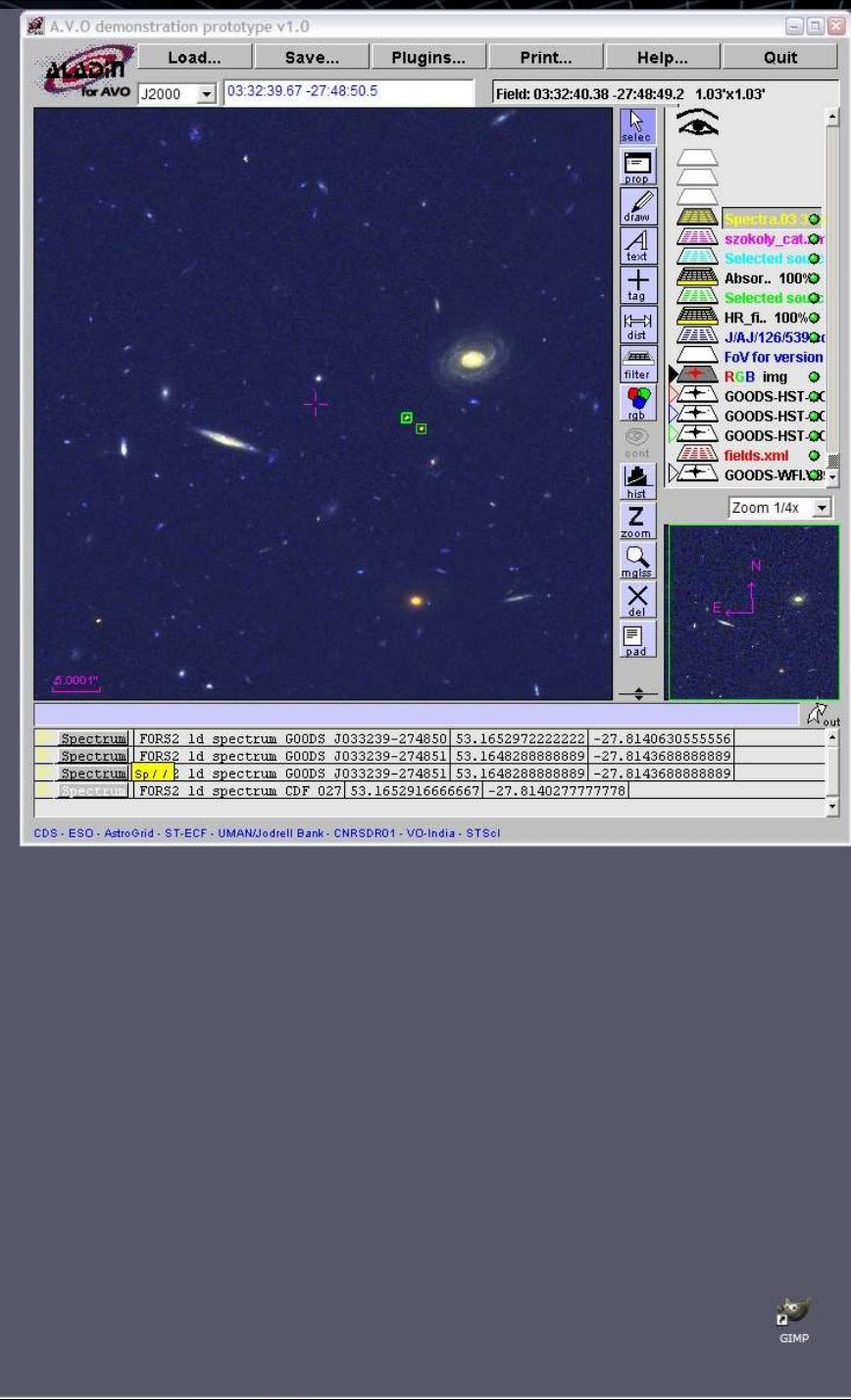
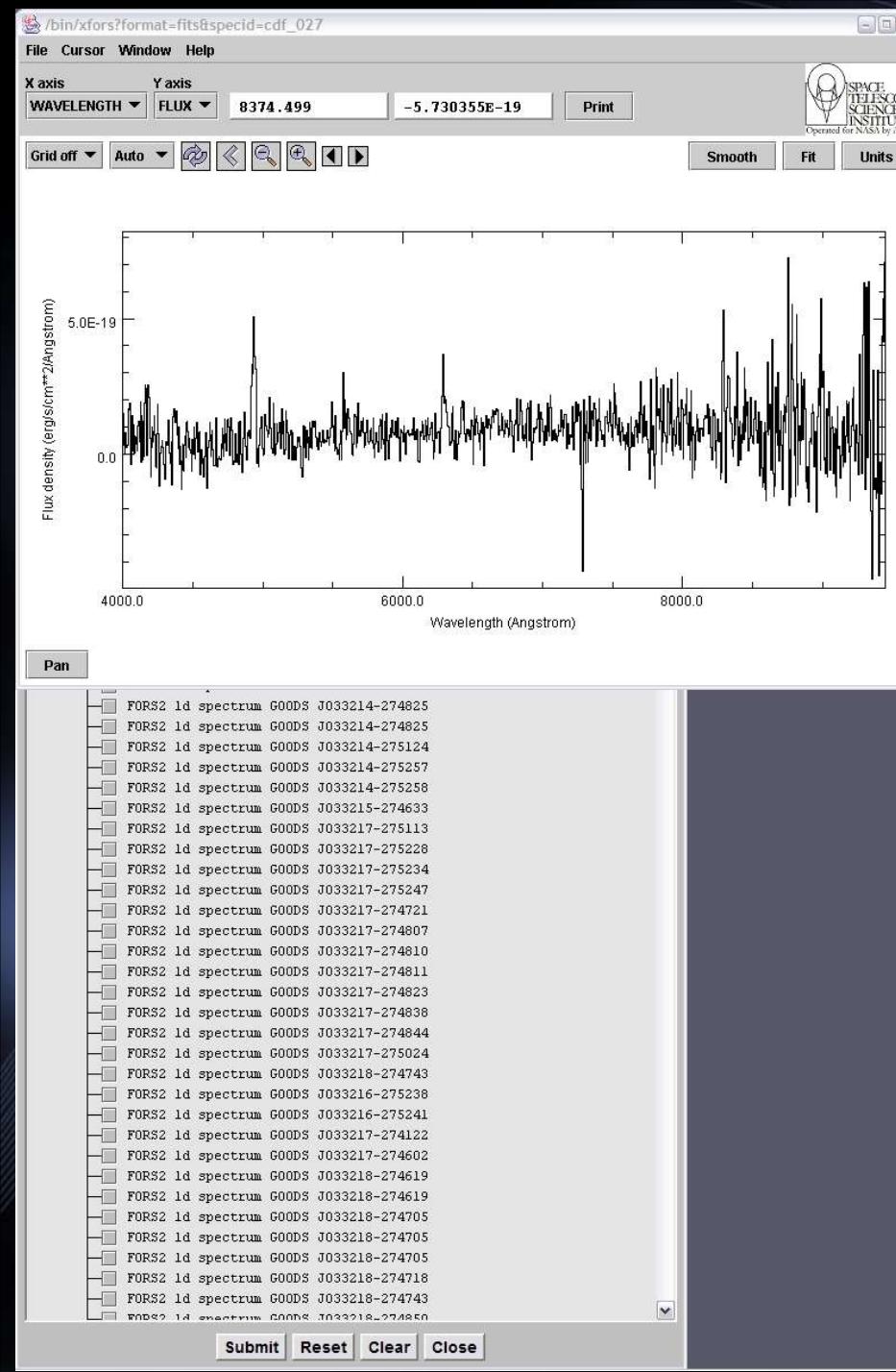
B V i z

# Type 2 AGN candidates: CDF-S



# Results

- 147 type 2 AGN
- 27% of the 546 X-ray sources
- But some of these sources are already known...
  - Spectroscopically classified as type 2 AGN
    - Szokoly et al. (2004)
    - Barger et al. (2003)



# Known sources

- Remove known sources from candidates, and use as a check on the  $L_x$  estimation method
- Identified by X-match with Szokoly et al. (2004) CDF-S, and Barger (2003) HDF-N.
- Check of estimated  $L_x$ 

$\langle \log L_{x,\text{est}} \rangle = 42.57 \pm 0.08$  compared to  
 $\langle \log L_x \rangle = 42.49 \pm 0.09$   
...consistent

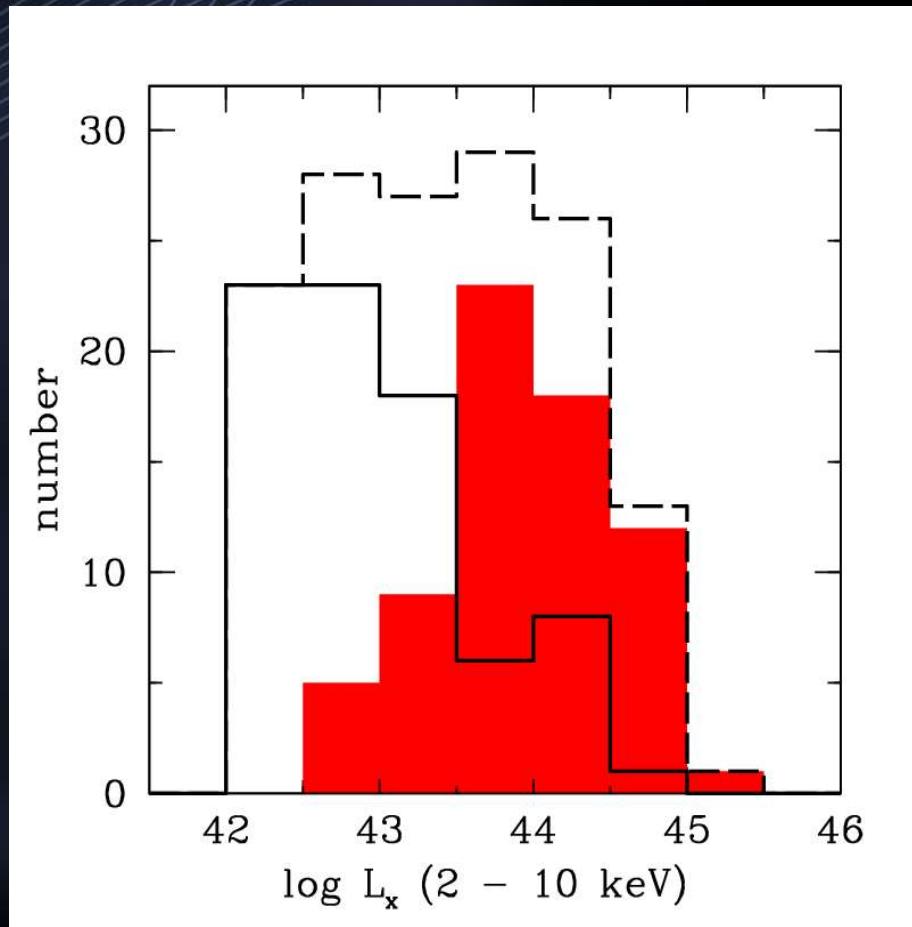
# Results : NEW Type 2 AGN

- 68 new type 2 AGN candidates
- 31 have  $L_x > 10^{44}$  erg s<sup>-2</sup> : QSO 2
  - Only 9 previously known in GOODS fields

- Now 40 QSO 2s: Quadrupled the QSO 2s in the GOODS fields !

# Luminosity distribution

- New type 2 AGN
- Fills a gap  
luminosity distrib.
- AGN 2  $\langle z_{est} \rangle \sim 2.9$
- QSO 2  $\langle z_{est} \rangle \sim 3.7$

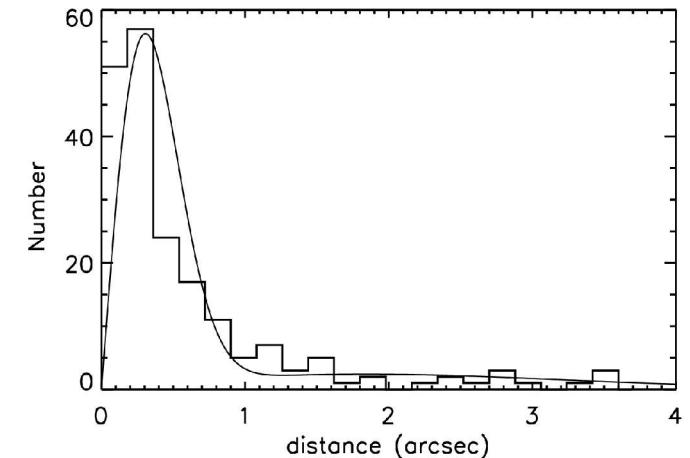


# QSO 2 surface density

- >330 QSO2 deg<sup>-2</sup> (down to  $10^{-15}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>)
- Consistent with Perola et al (2004) predictions for  $>10^{-14}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>
- ~5x higher than predictions for faint flux limits
  - Gandhi et al. (2004) predicts 19 deg<sup>-2</sup>
  - We find ~ 100 deg<sup>-2</sup>
- Resolved X-ray background : 10±2% down to  $f(2-8\text{keV})=10^{-15}$  erg cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

# False Match Rate

- Fit X-match distances to model
- Expected match rate D



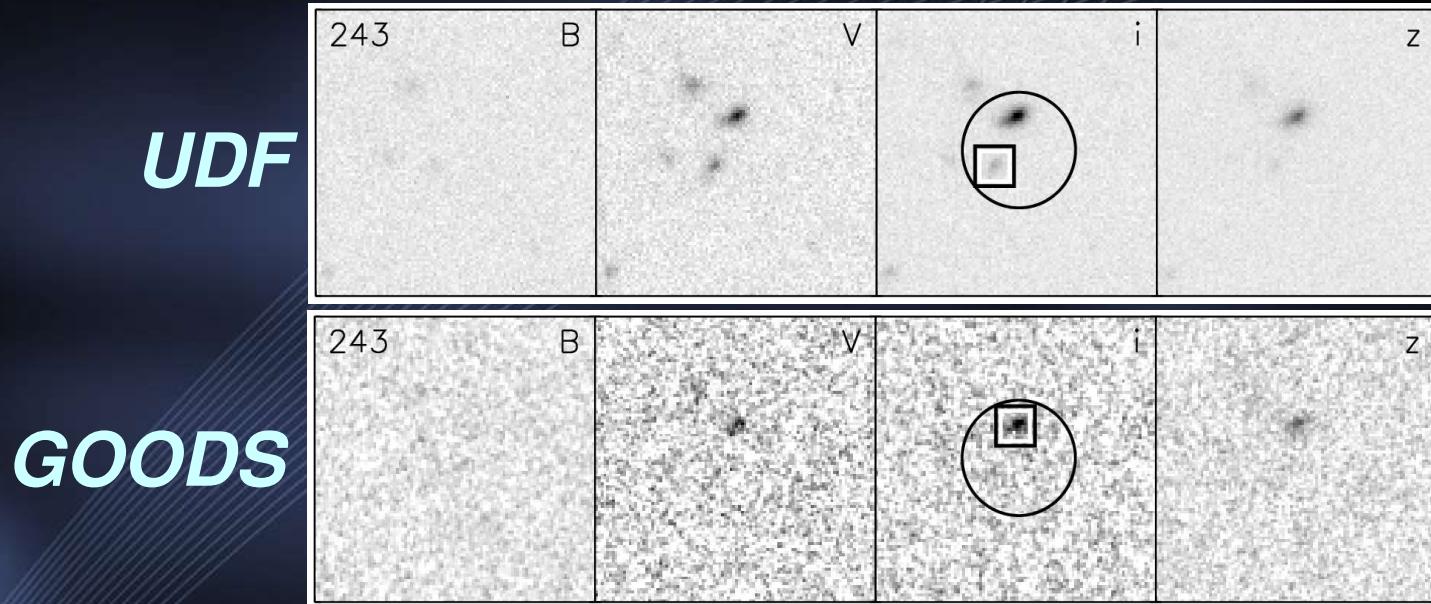
$$N_1\Phi(d, \lambda) + N\Phi(d, \lambda) \left[ \frac{1 + 2\pi\lambda\sigma^2}{2\pi\lambda\sigma^2} \exp\left(-\frac{d^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) - 1 \right] \quad (\text{A.1})$$

2-d Poisson  
distribution

True partner, but assigned  
No counterpart, but has been  
matched

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(d, \lambda) &= 2\pi\lambda d \exp(-\pi\lambda d^2) \\ \alpha &= \frac{N}{2\pi\lambda\sigma^2} \Phi(d, \lambda) \exp\left(-\frac{d^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ \beta &= N\Phi(d, \lambda) \exp\left(-\frac{d^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ \psi &= (N_1 - N)\Phi(d, \lambda)\end{aligned}$$

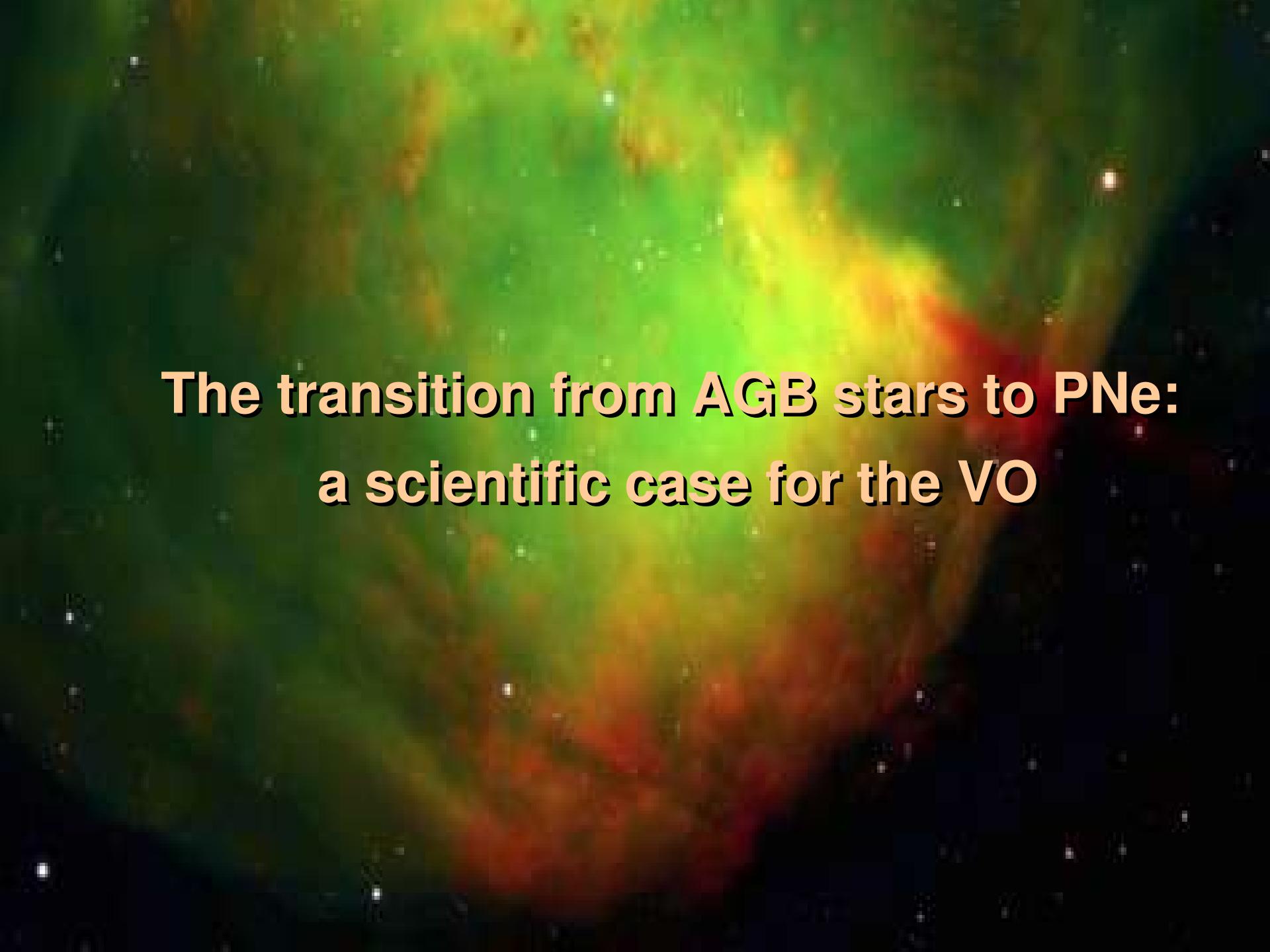
# Ultra Deep Field



- 3 AGN-2 candidates fall within UDF
- 1 has closer, fainter optical counterpart in UDF

# Science Conclusions

- Using
  - the deepest Chandra X-ray, and HST imaging
  - & Empirical estimator for  $L_x$  we find
- 68 New type 2 AGN
- 31 Qualify as QSO 2,  $z \sim 4$
- Many more QSOs than predicted

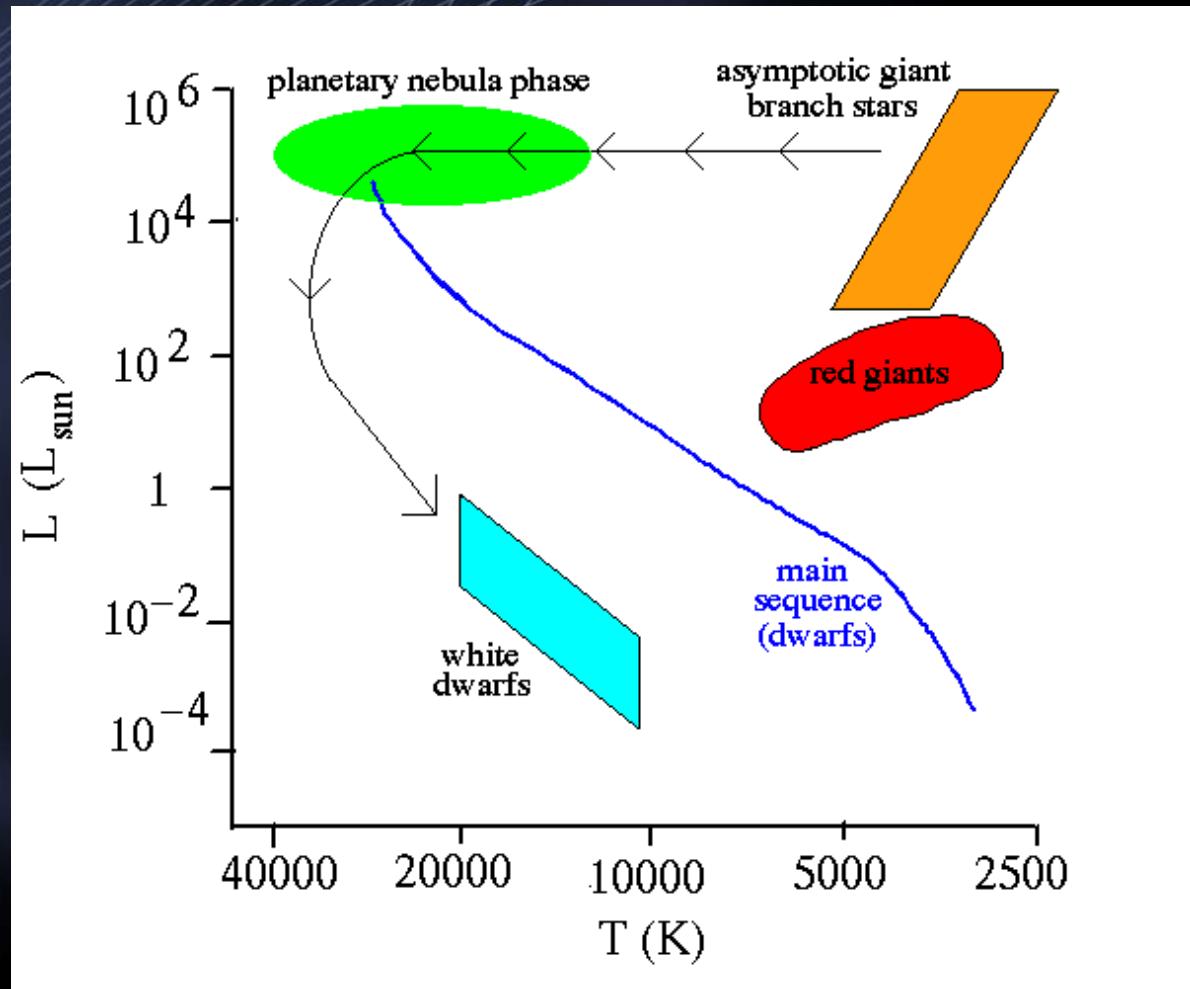


# **The transition from AGB stars to PNe: a scientific case for the VO**

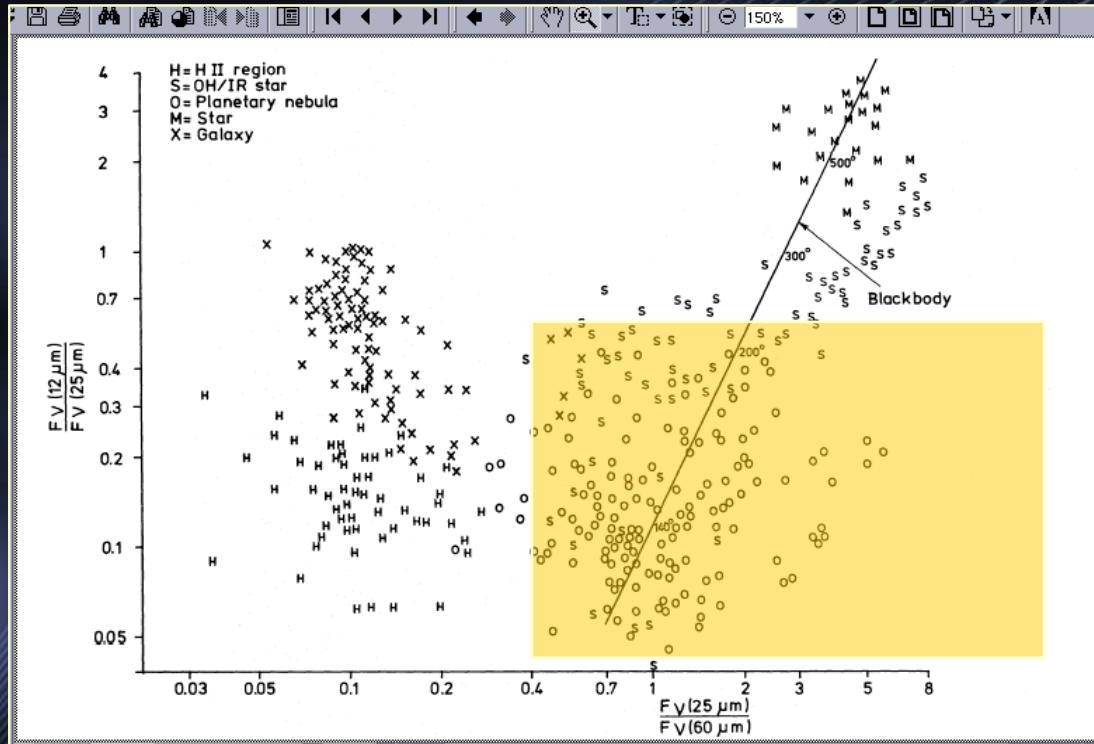
# The transition from AGB stars to PNe

- Late evolutionary stages of low- and intermediate mass stars ( $1 - 8 M_{\odot}$ )

- Short transition times  
( $\sim 10^3 - 10^4$  yr)
  - Recent AGB mass loss  
(up to  $10^{-4} M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$ )
- ↓
- Few objects in this phase
  - Many are heavily obscured  
in the optical



# Search for new transition sources using IRAS



Pottasch et al. 1988; Preite Martinez 1988; García-Lario 1992

All-sky survey  
250,000 Sources  
12, 25, 60, 100  $\mu\text{m}$

PNe show characteristic  
IRAS colours

*... but unidentified sources in the IRAS two colour diagram were found to be transition sources rather than typical PNe*

# An ideal case for the AVO

- X-match catalogues (MSX and IRAS) containing  $\sim 10^5 - 10^6$  sources
- Catalogue manipulation: select/filter/add columns (A-C, D-60)
- Query SIMBAD or other Vizier catalogues with lists containing  $\sim 10^4$  sources to search for yet unidentified sources and/or get a classification for the identified ones
- Create color-color diagrams where the position of different classes of sources can be visualized
- On-the-fly display SEDs of specific sources including ALL available data in catalogues/data archives (spectroscopy+photometry) for automated classification or modelling

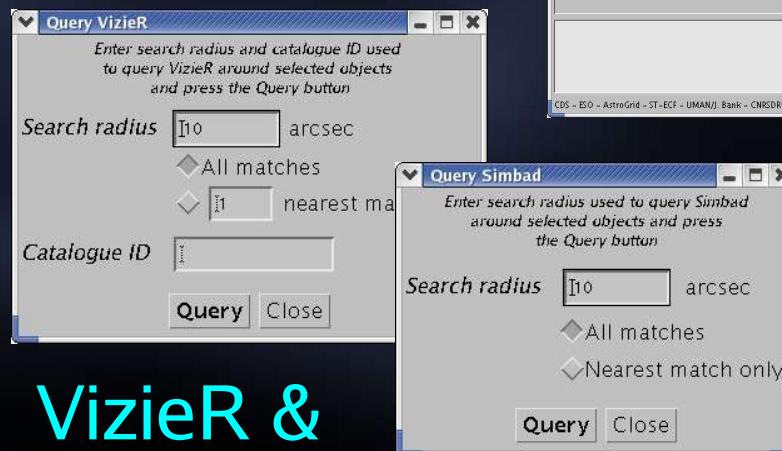
# Query by List



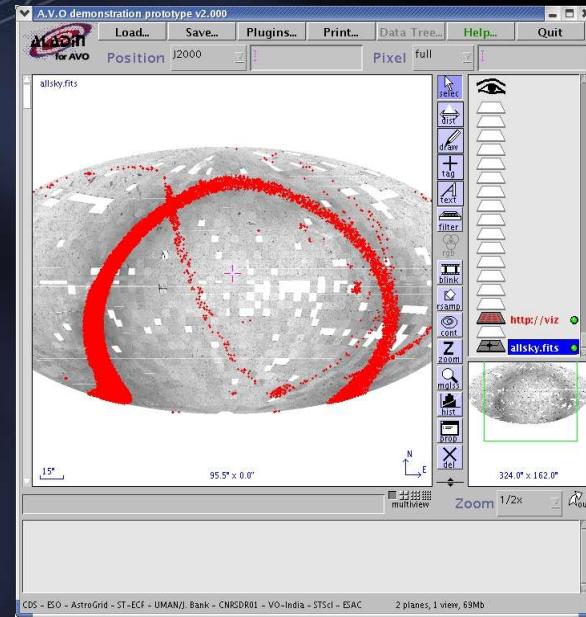
Remote Cross-Matching:  
*'bringing the computation to the data'*  
Multiple Cone Searching:  
*'stream-lining batch requests'*

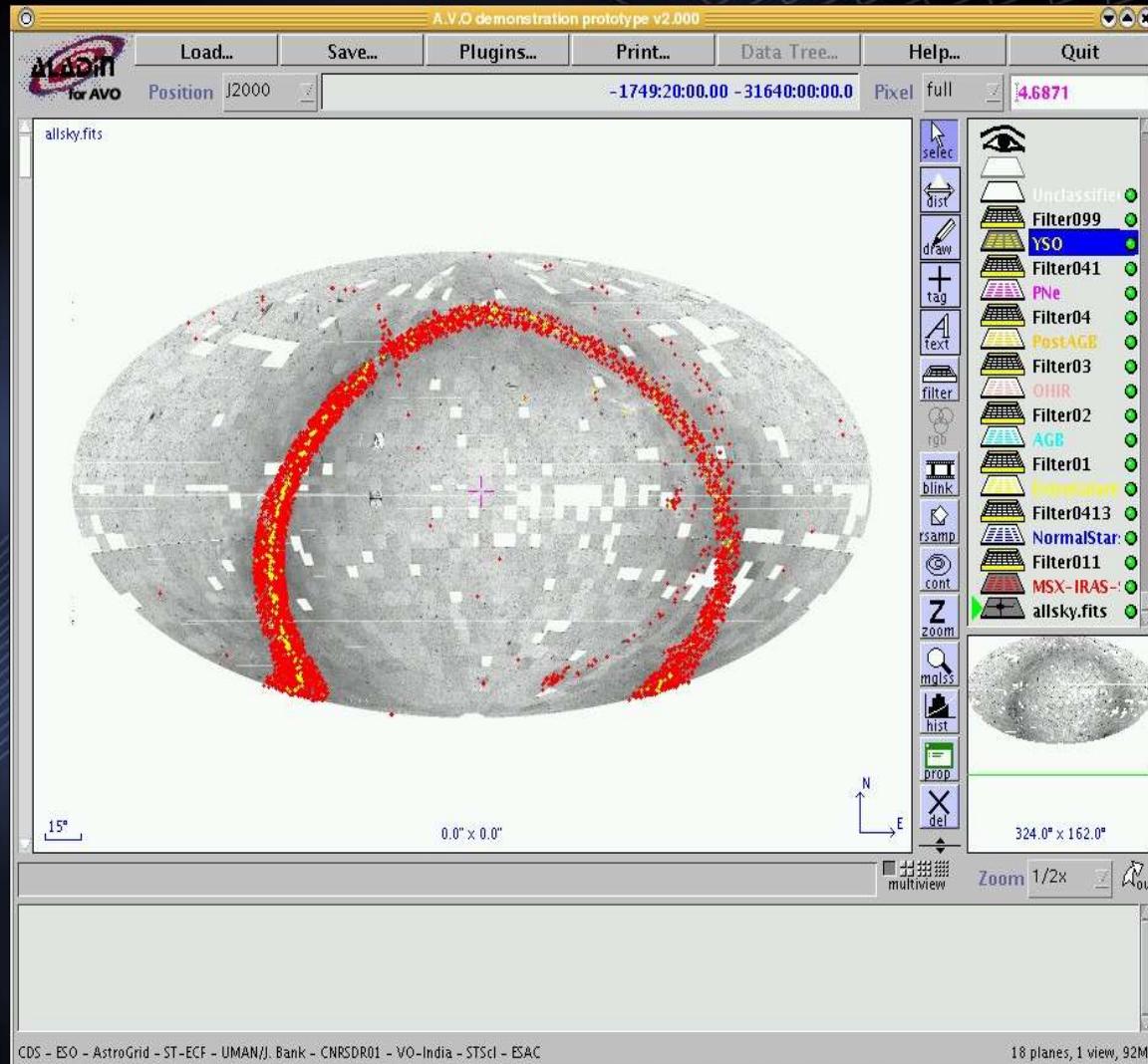
Supports X-Match for sparse or complex distributions of sources

- ★ >10<sup>5</sup> sources
- ★ e.g. Entire IRAS



VizieR &  
SIMBAD





# Candidate transition sources

\* 132 classified sources  $[A-C] \geq 0.7$ ,  $0.0 \leq [D-60] \leq 2.5$ :

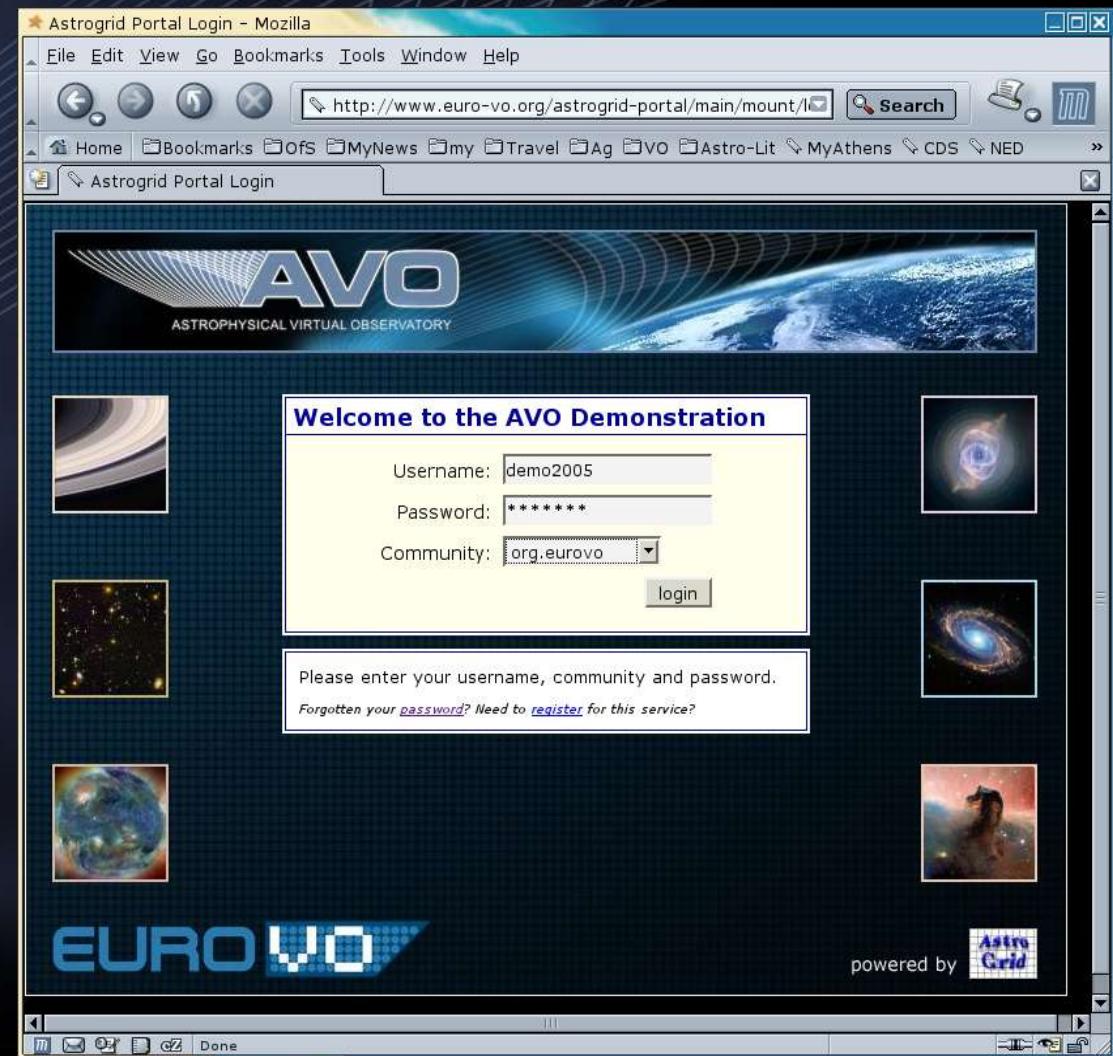
- ✿ 0.8% each normal stars, extragalactic objects
- ✿ 2 objects - probably misclassified!
- ✿ 1.5% very red AGB stars (Miras, Carbon stars etc.)
- ✿ 10.6% OH/IR stars, 27.3% post AGB stars
- ✿ 50% Planetary Nebulae
  - ✿ exceptionally reddened - young/obscured Pne
- ✿ 9.1% Young Stellar Objects
  - ✿ use 2MASS or exclude  $|b| \leq 2$  to reduce contamination

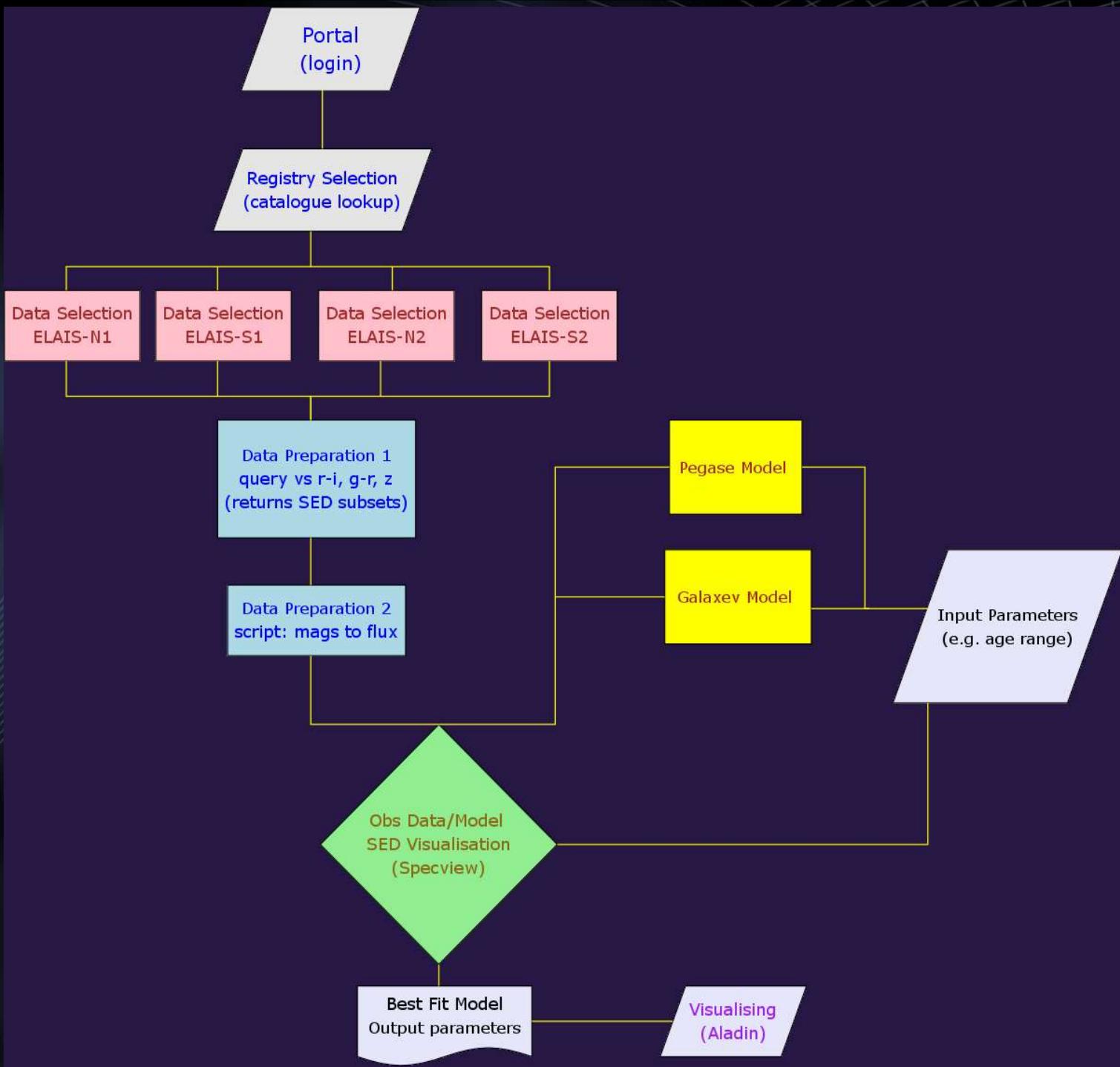
\* 103 unclassified sources

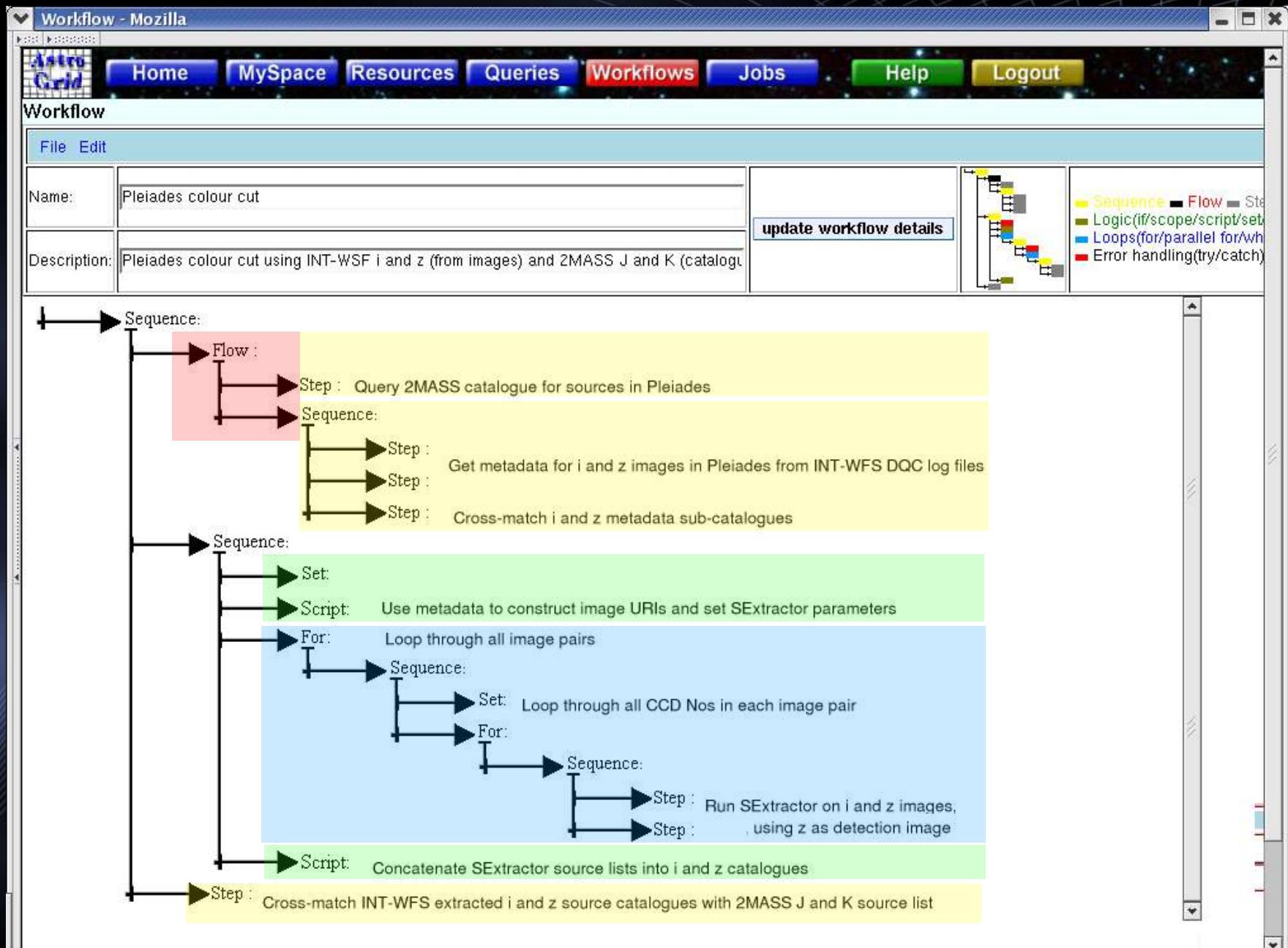
- ✿ 89.4% probability of being in AGB-PNe

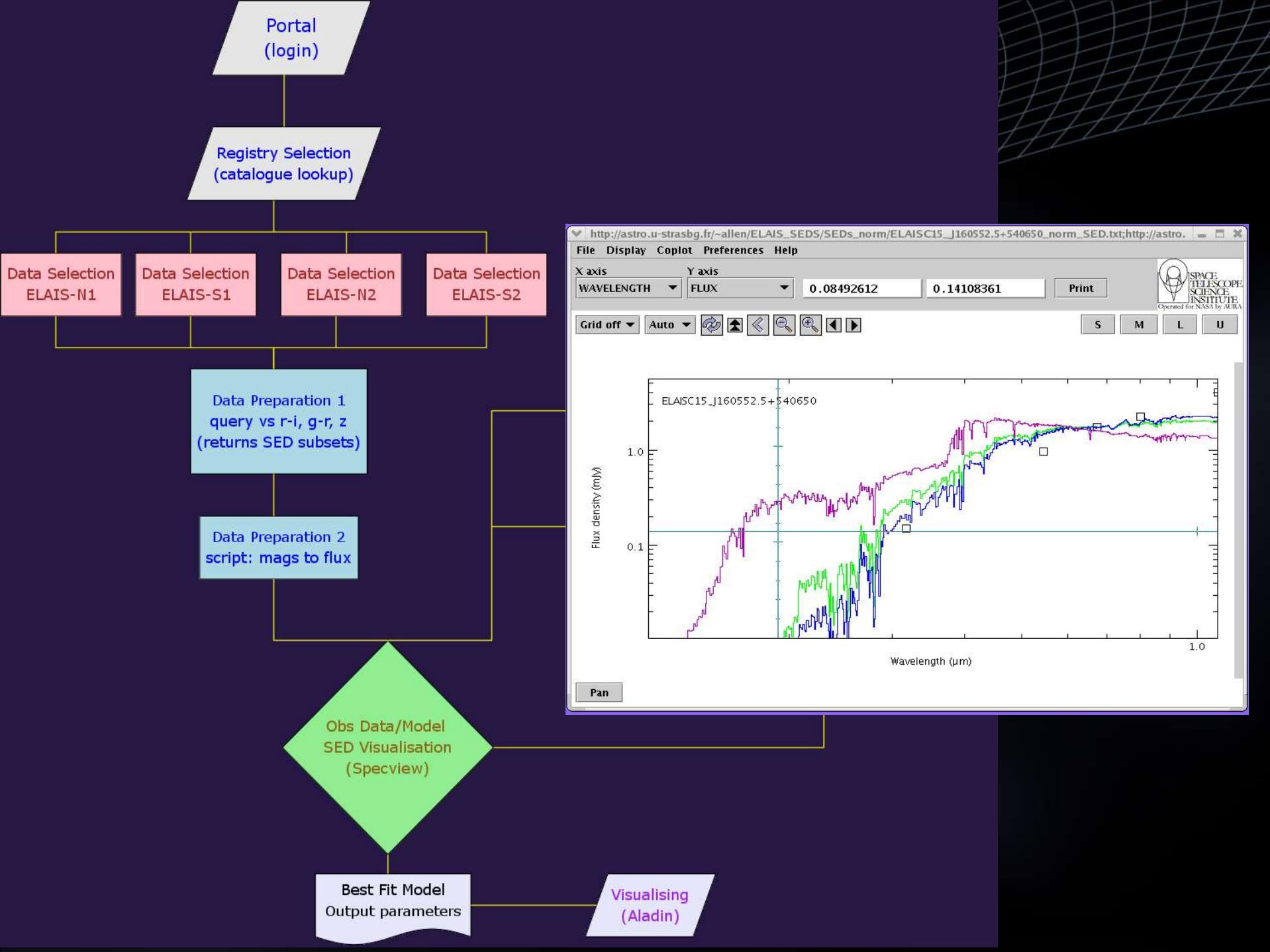
- Bleeding edge aspects of the AVO demo

- Workflow
- VO sign-on
- Virtual Storage
- VO-enabled applications
  - Sextractor, Hyper-z, Pegase, Galaxev







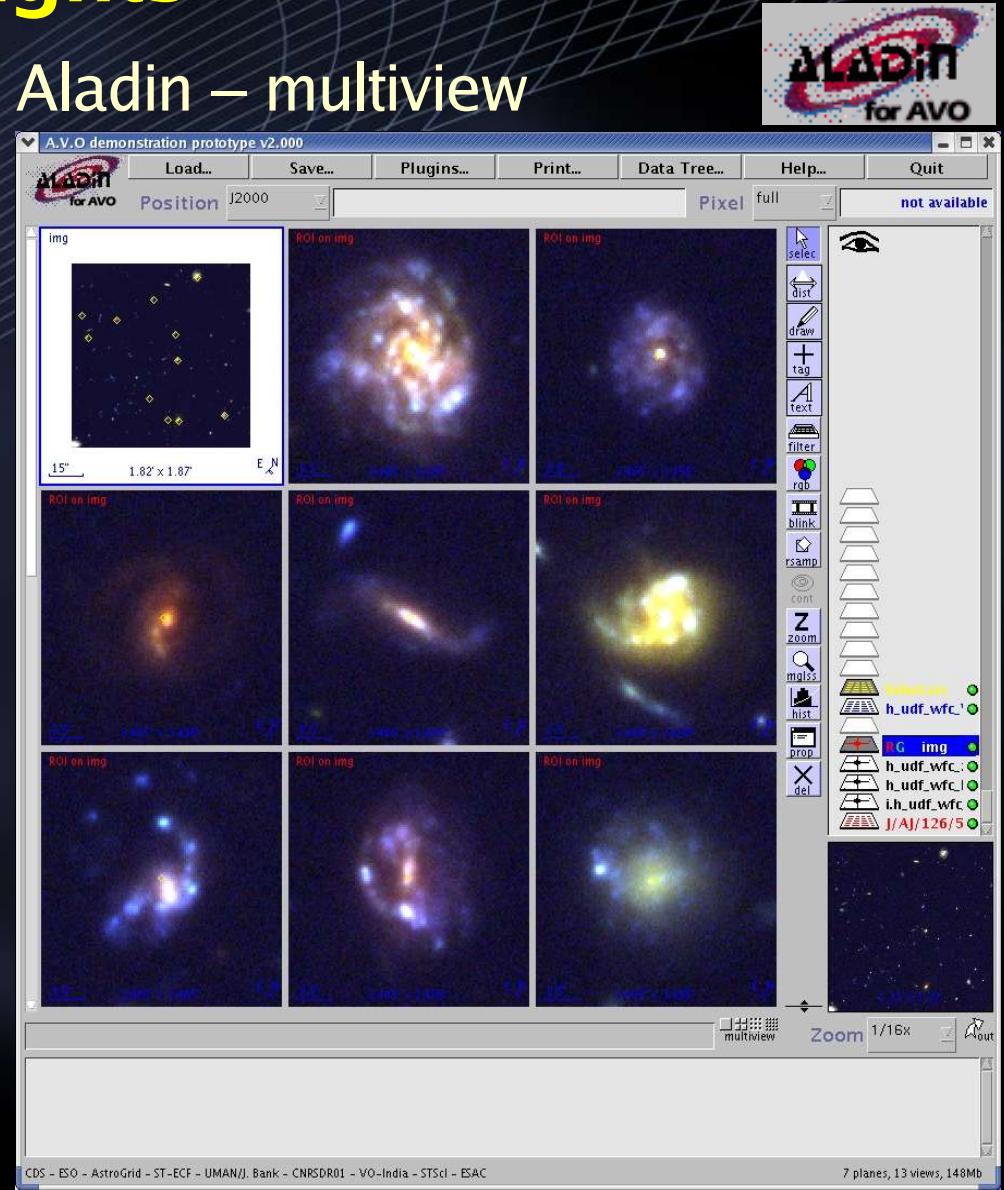


# Euro-VO Tool highlights

HST ACS  
Ultra Deep  
Field

variable size  
cutouts  
generated from  
loaded images

## Aladin – multiview



# Image Cutout Services

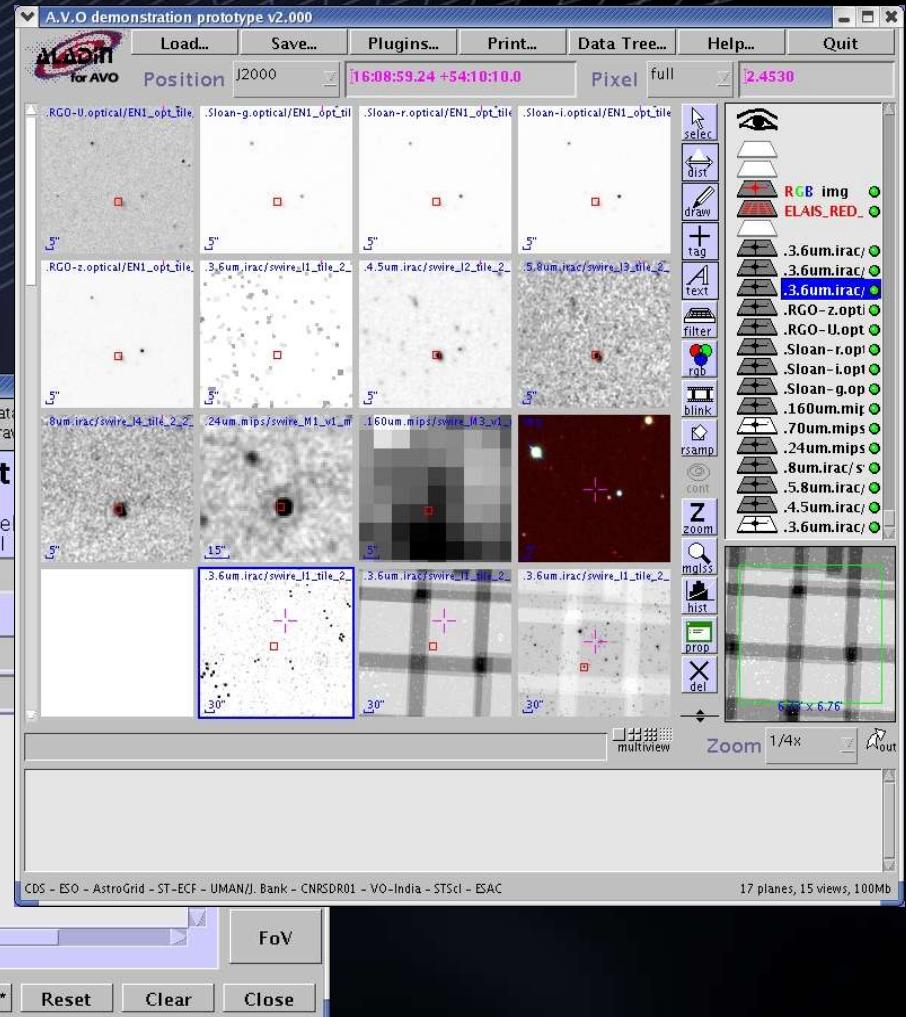


Cutouts generated remotely

Tree view

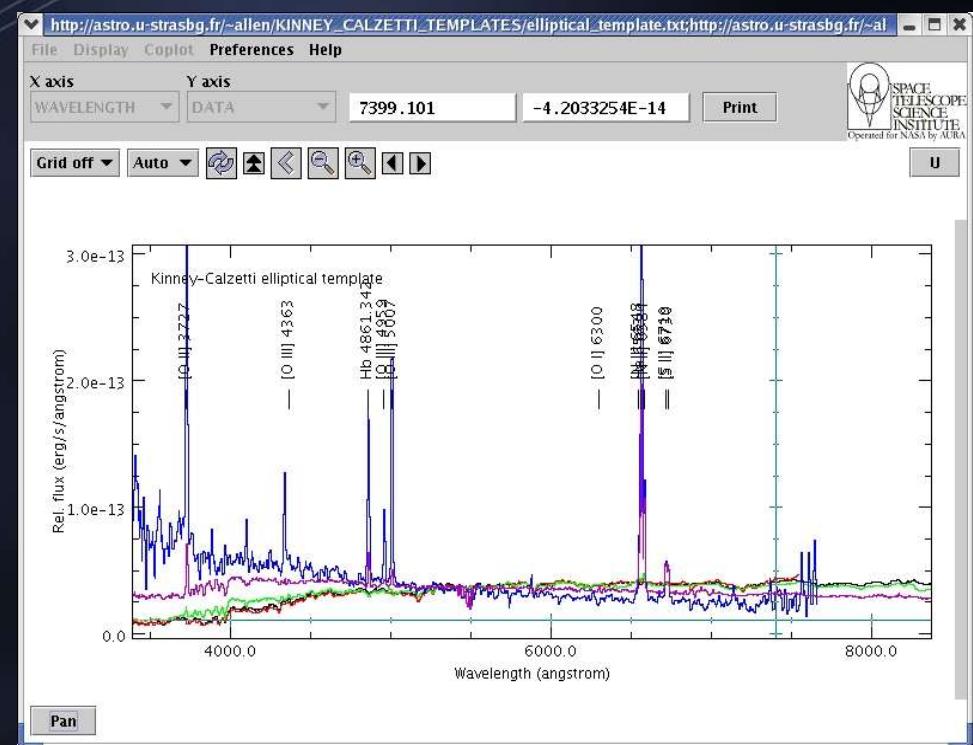
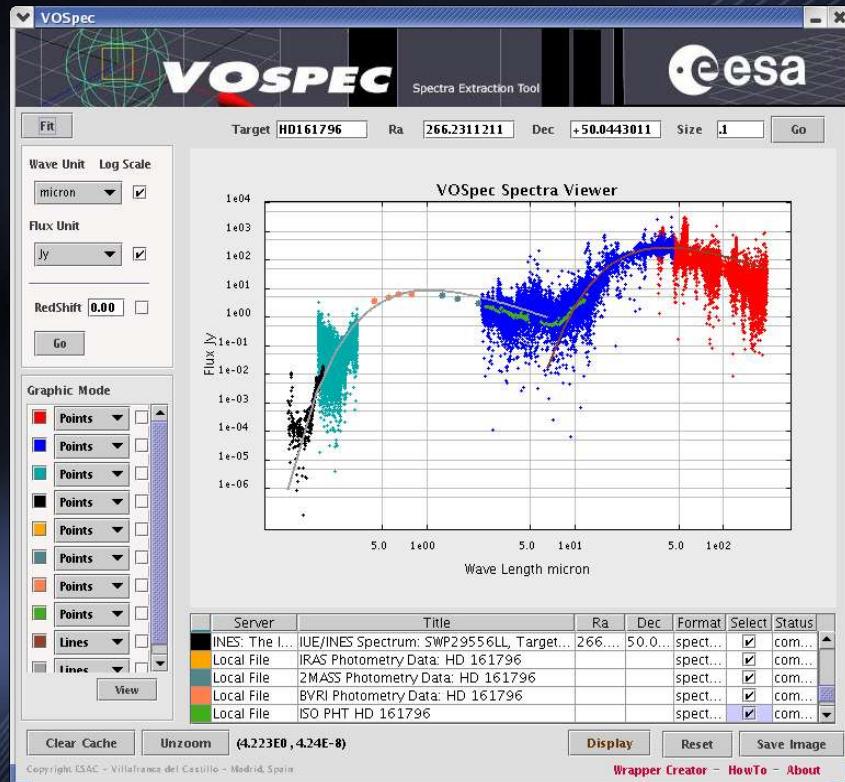
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e.g. SWIRE cutout service

# Multi-archive spectra, model fitting





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# Core Services

- Registry
- Datascope
  - Multi-archive data query
- Spectrum Services
  - SDSS, 2dF, filter curves, upload

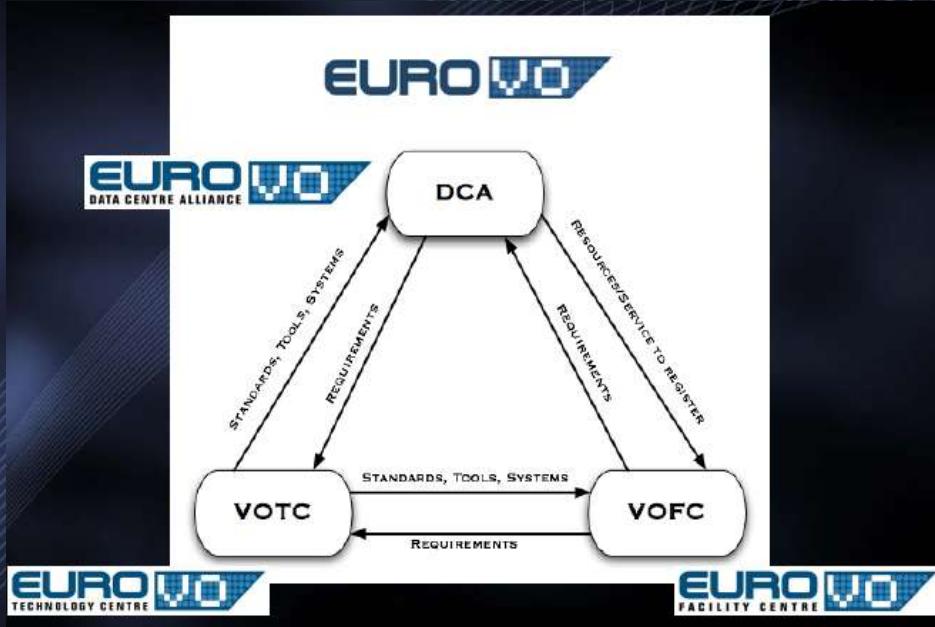
- Open SkyQuery
  - Multi-database X-match
- NVO Publishing
  - Make your data VO accessible
- Source Identification
  - Upload images, ID, X-match



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# VO Science Outlook

- First Science enabled by the first VO interoperability gains
  - Scalable Data Access
  - Catalogue/image manipulation
    - X-match, filtering, link to original data
- Next:
  - TB data,  $10^9$  object science
  - Theory-VO, Multi- $\lambda$  data fusion
  - Workflow linking of services

# VO tools

- Prototype tools available
  - [www.euro-vo.org](http://www.euro-vo.org)
  - [www.ivoa.net](http://www.ivoa.net)
  - [cdsweb.u-strasbg.fr](http://cdsweb.u-strasbg.fr)

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