

# 3D evolution of the Gould Belt

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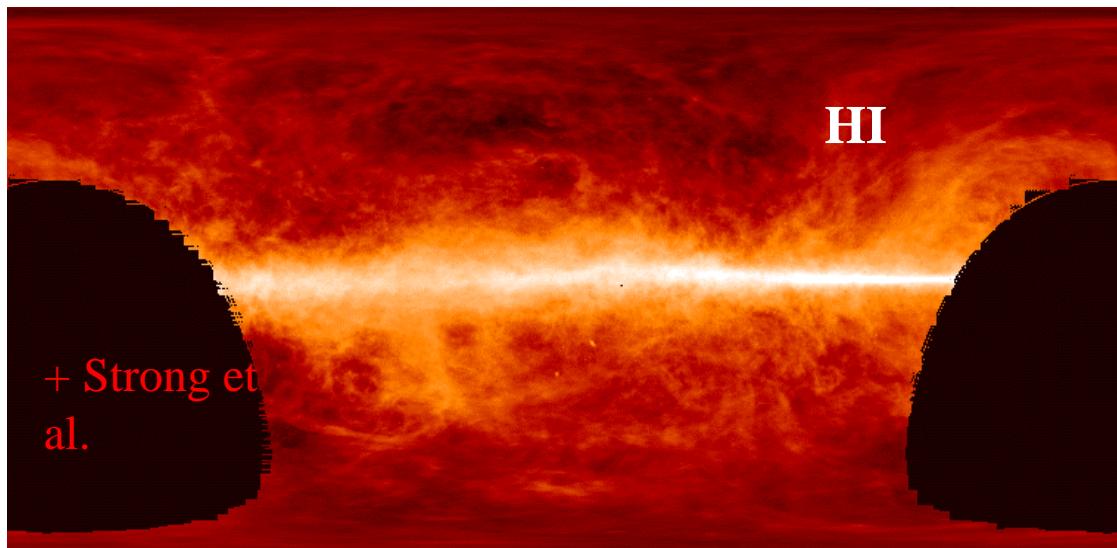
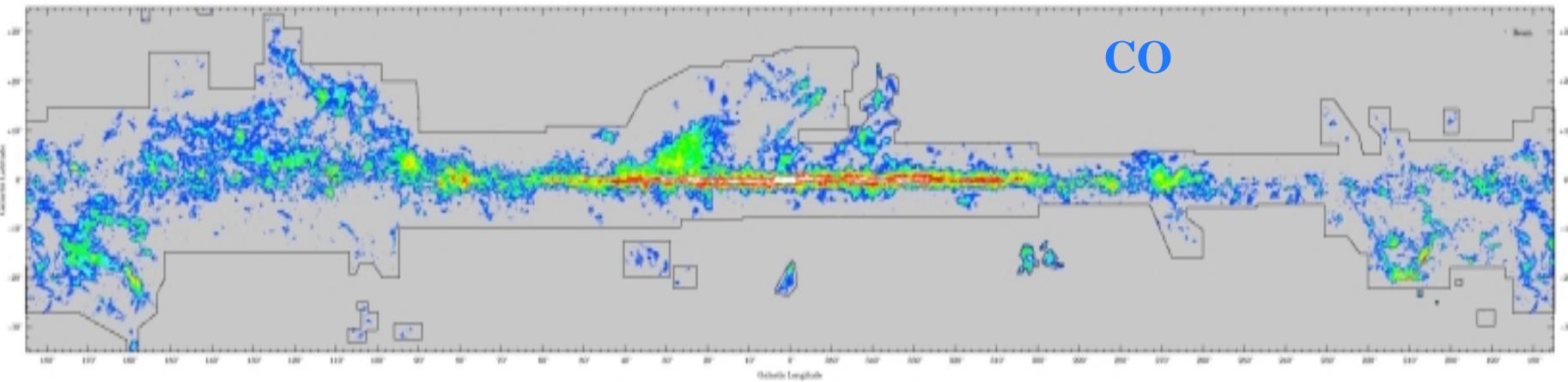
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# the Belt dynamical evolution: data

Position ( $l, b$ ) and velocity  $v_{\parallel}$  from all HI and H<sub>2</sub> clouds

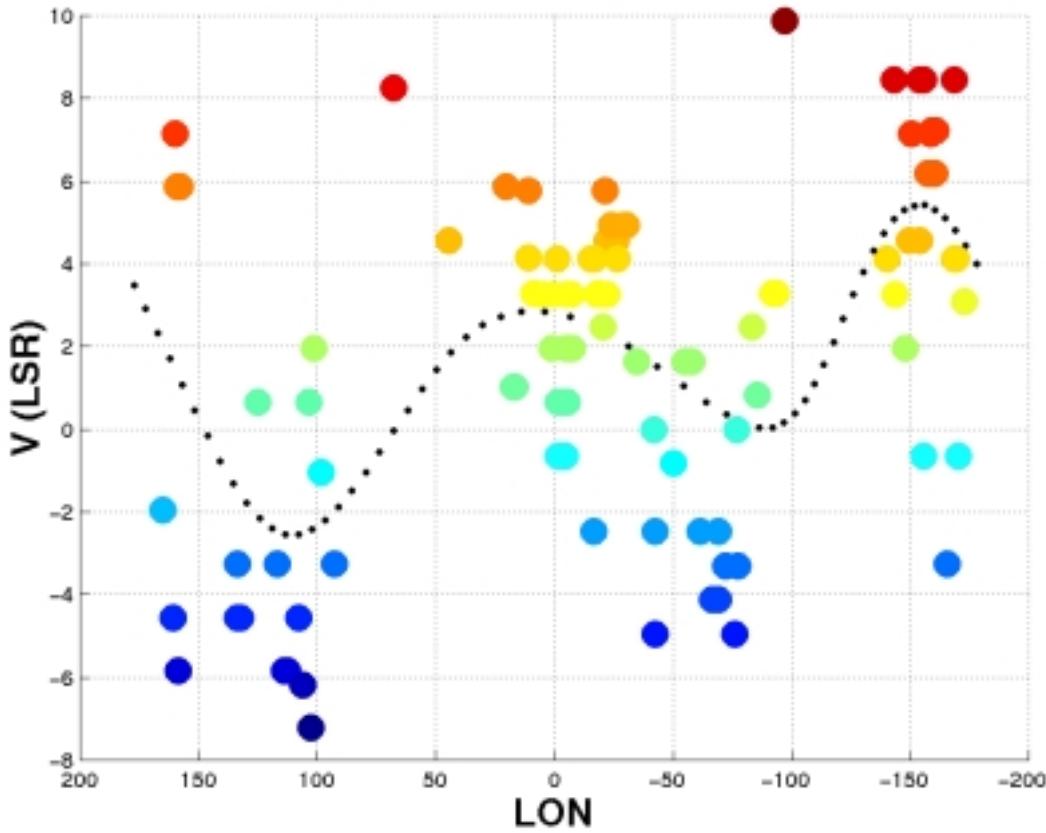
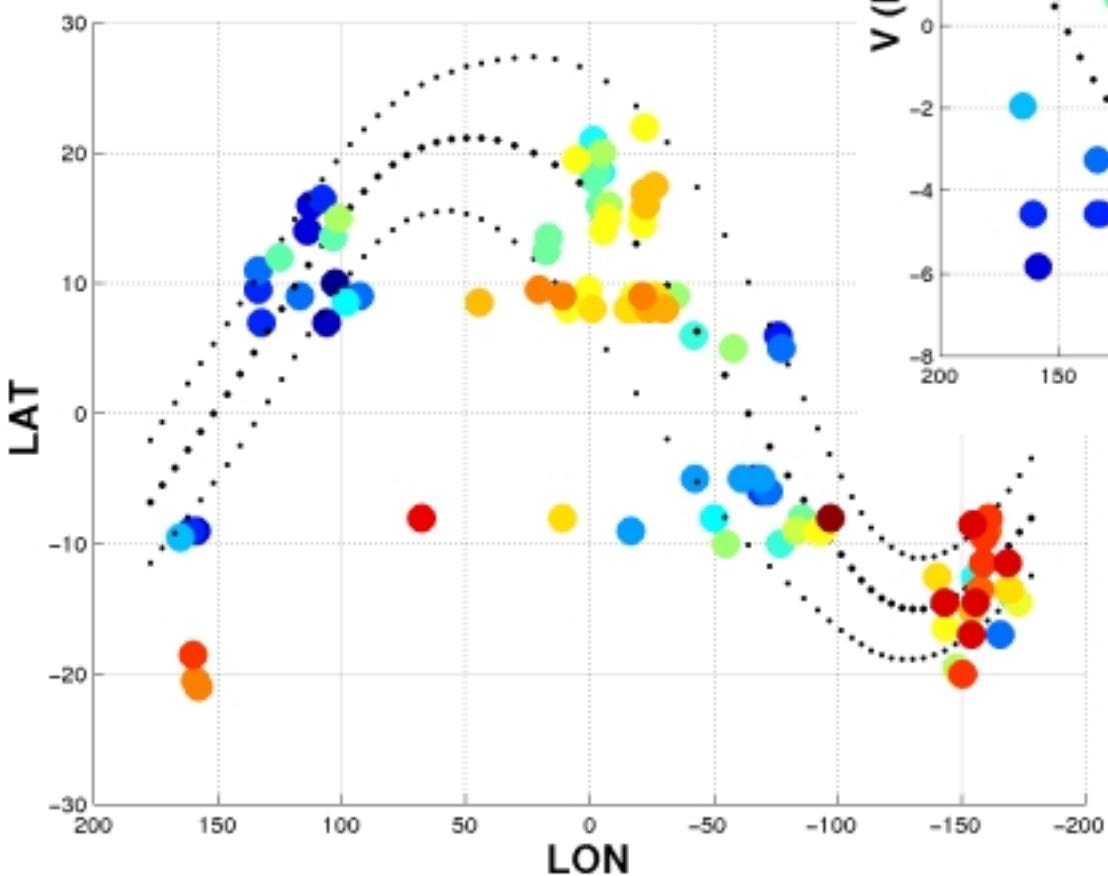
all clouds within  $\sim 500$  pc (Dame 1987, Hartmann 1996 + others) ← "clumpfind"

few selections ( $v$  & low  $b$  cuts to remove bkgd clouds in the disc & in the local arm)

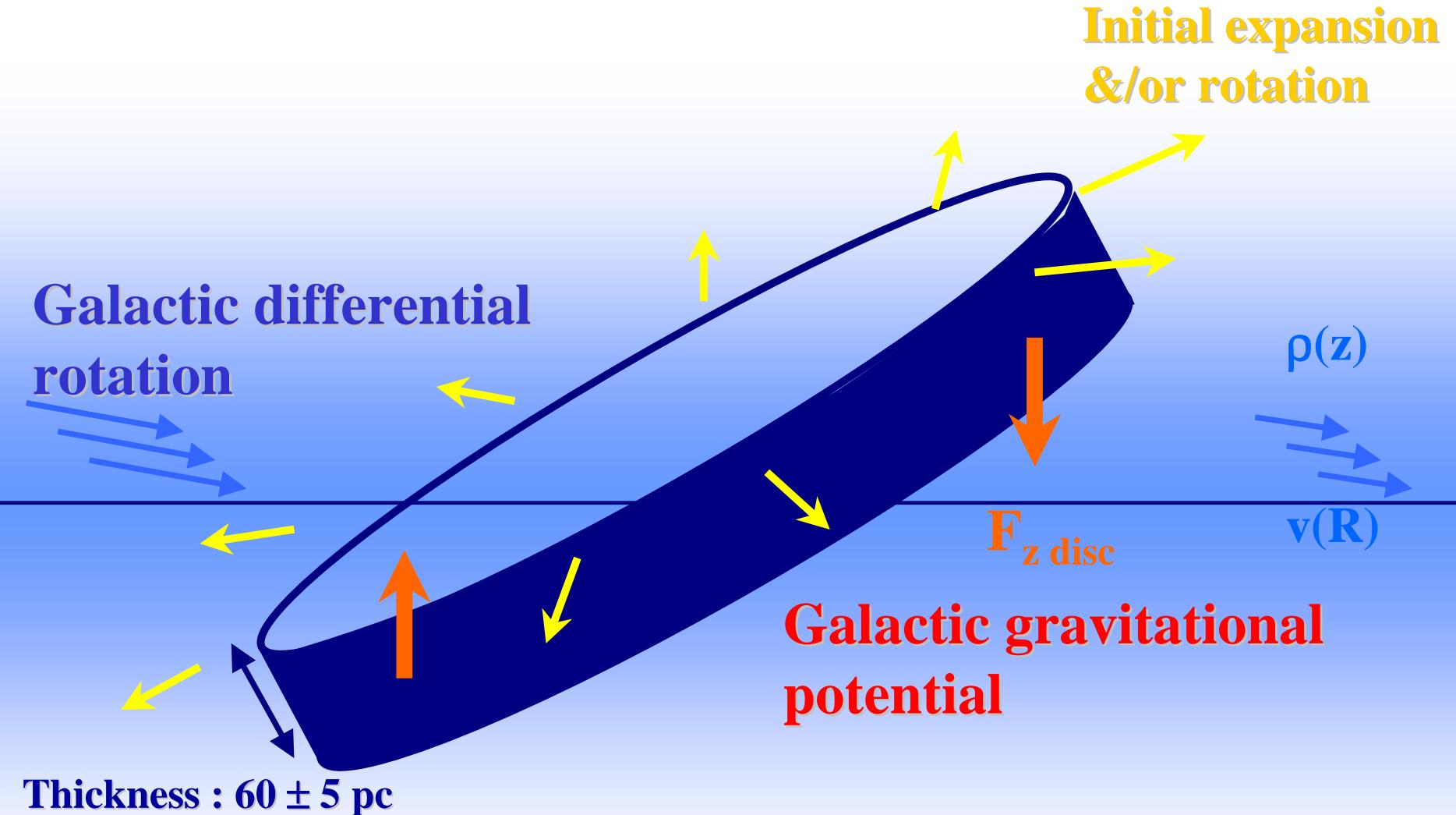


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# I,b,v footprint



# Modelling the Belt dynamical evolution



# the Belt dynamical evolution: model

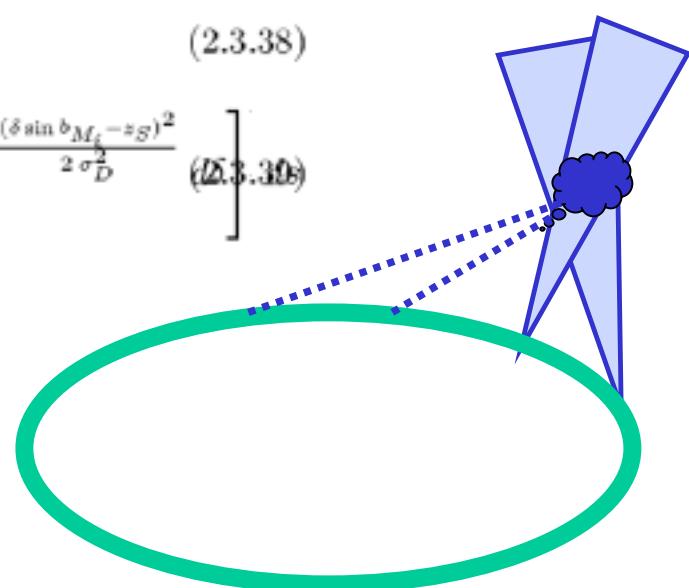
- + Contiguous clumps in **initial expansion &/or rotation**
- + Sweeping momentum from IS gas :
  - + local **density gradient** in galactocentric radius
  - + **z scale height** (combination of 2 gaussian + 1 exponential)
- + Torque from **Galactic gravitational potential**
  - +  $\rho_* = 7.6 \cdot 10^{-2} M_\odot \text{ pc}^{-3}$  (Crezé, 1998)
  - +  $z_* = 260 \pm 60 \text{ pc}$  (Ojha, 1996)
- + fragmentation of the shock surface (porosity)  
& drag force at late stages
  - +  $v > 20 \text{ km/s}$ : "snowplough" evolution
  - +  $v < 5 \text{ km/s}$ : drag force on clumps, porosity up to 0.5

# maximum-likelihood fit

- \*  $P(\text{proba of observing each cloud at } v_{\text{obs}} \text{ toward } l_{\text{obs}}, b_{\text{obs}})$ 
  - ▶ from anywhere on the Belt ring
  - ▶ at any distance toward  $l_{\text{obs}}, b_{\text{obs}}$
- \*  $\times P(\text{proba of observing each cloud at } v_{\text{obs}} \text{ toward } l_{\text{obs}}, b_{\text{obs}}, D_{\text{obs}})$ 
  - ▶ from anywhere on the Belt ring
  - ▶ for those clouds with known distance range

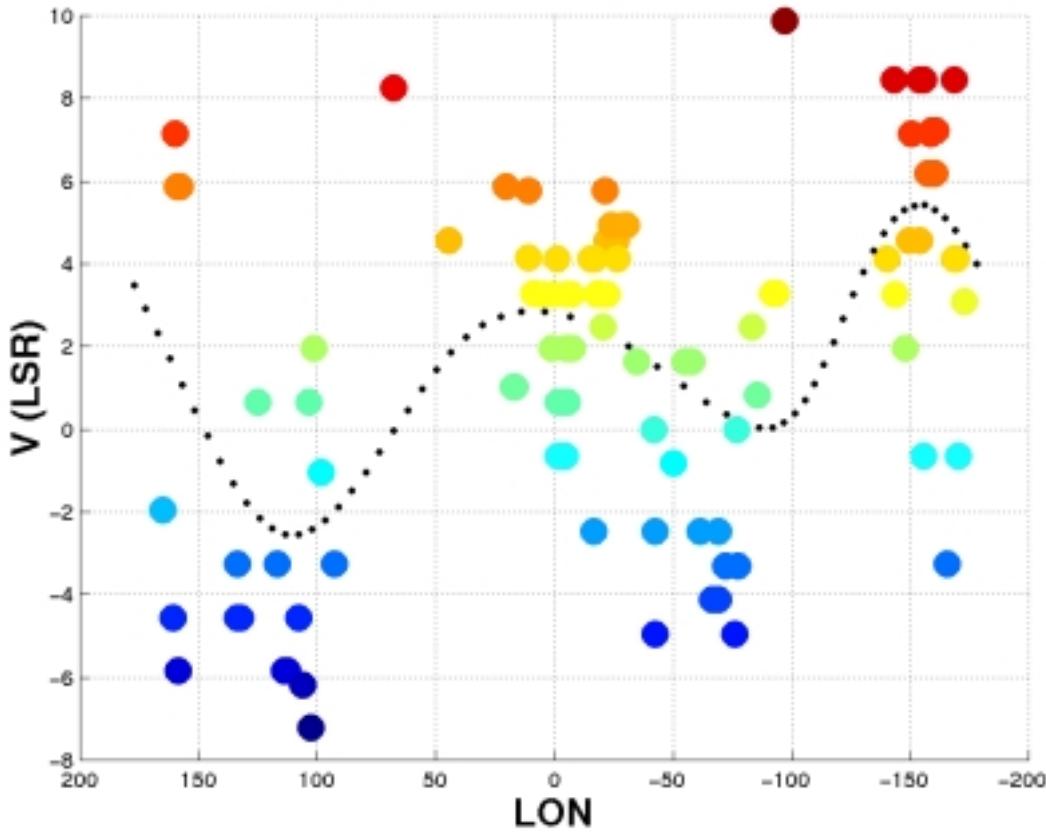
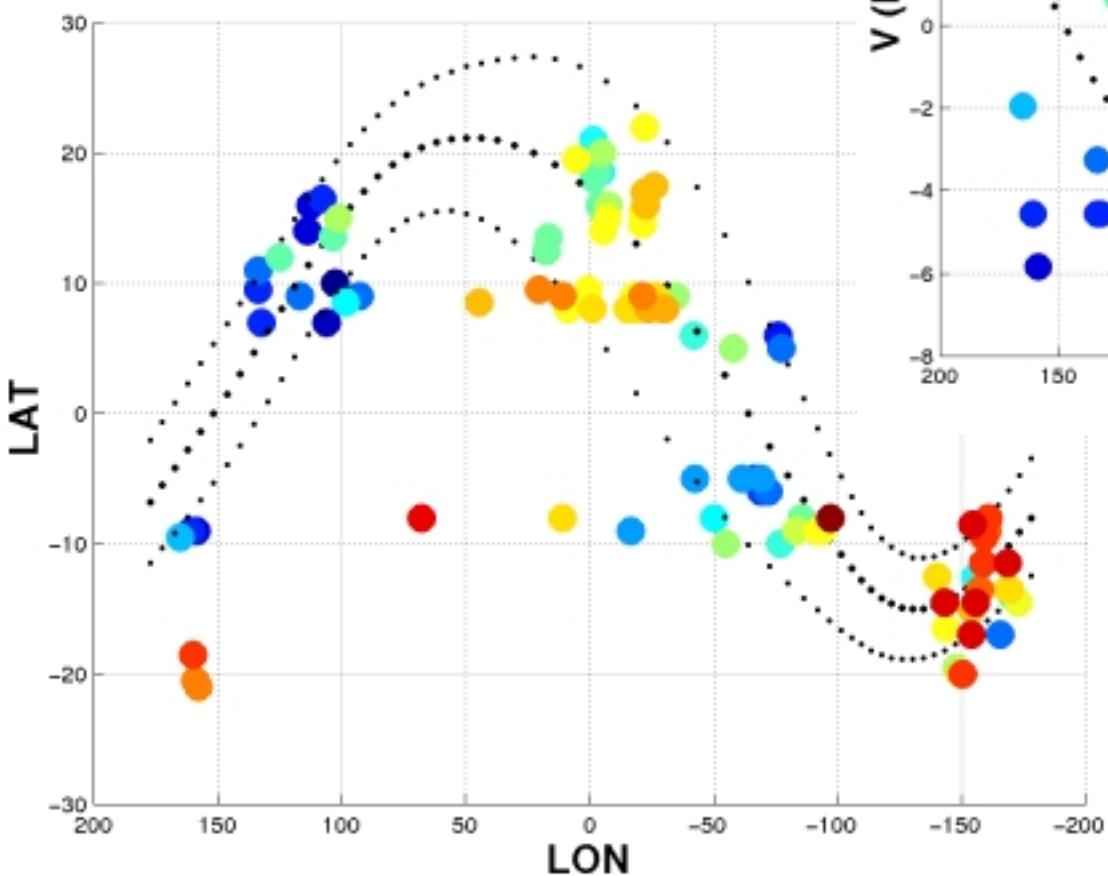
$$\mathcal{L}_{M_i} = \int_{Ceinture} \left[ \frac{g_S}{4 \pi^2 \sigma_D^3 \sigma_v} e^{-\frac{(v_{M_i} - v_S)^2}{2 \sigma_v^2}} \Delta \Omega_{M_i} \Delta v_{M_i} \dots \right] \quad (2.3.38)$$

$$\int_{\delta=0}^{+\infty} \delta^2 e^{-\frac{(\delta \cos l_{M_i} \cos b_{M_i} - x_S)^2}{2 \sigma_D^2}} e^{-\frac{(\delta \sin l_{M_i} \cos b_{M_i} - y_S)^2}{2 \sigma_D^2}} e^{-\frac{(\delta \sin b_{M_i} - z_S)^2}{2 \sigma_D^2}} \quad (2.3.39)$$



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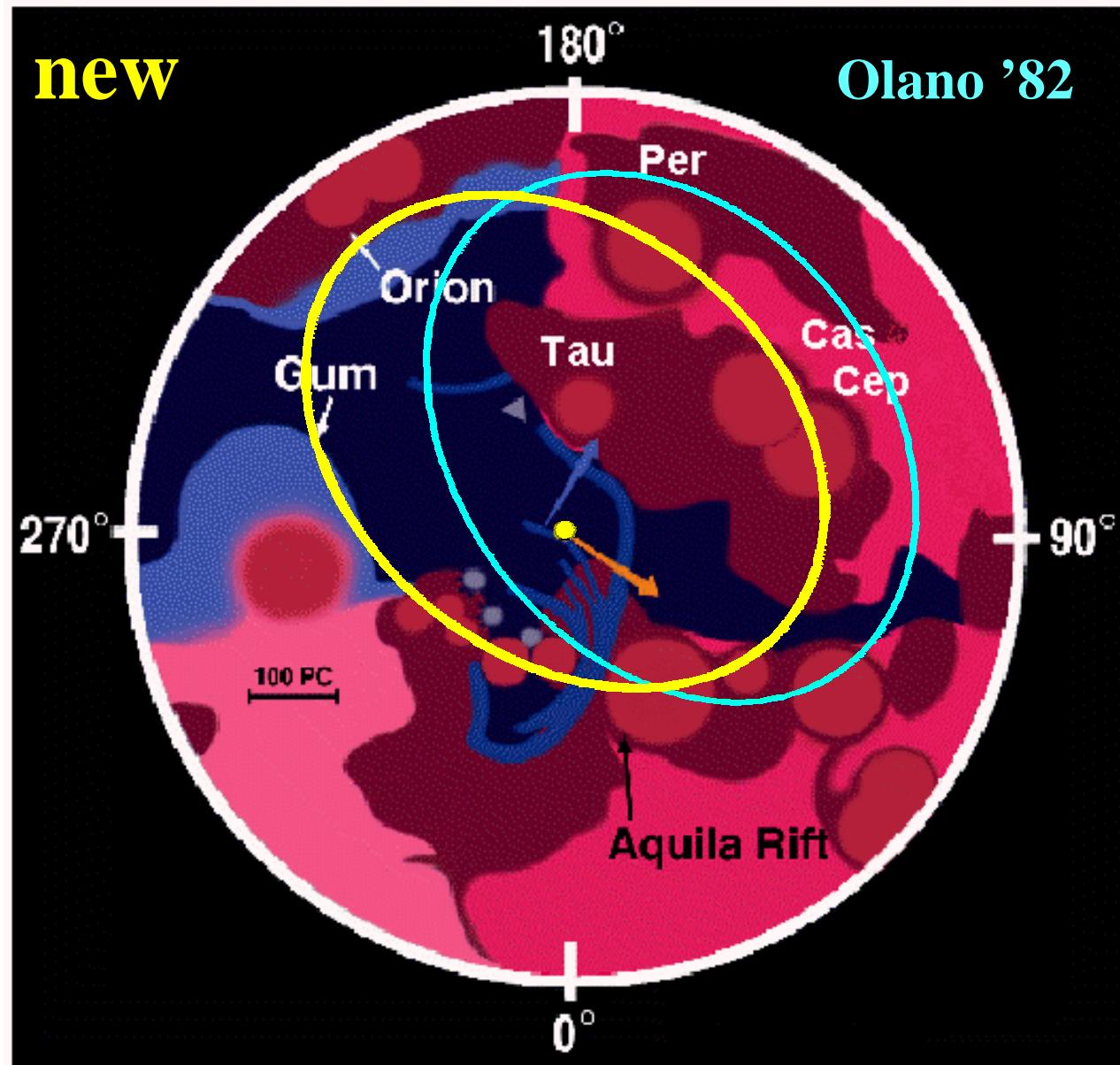
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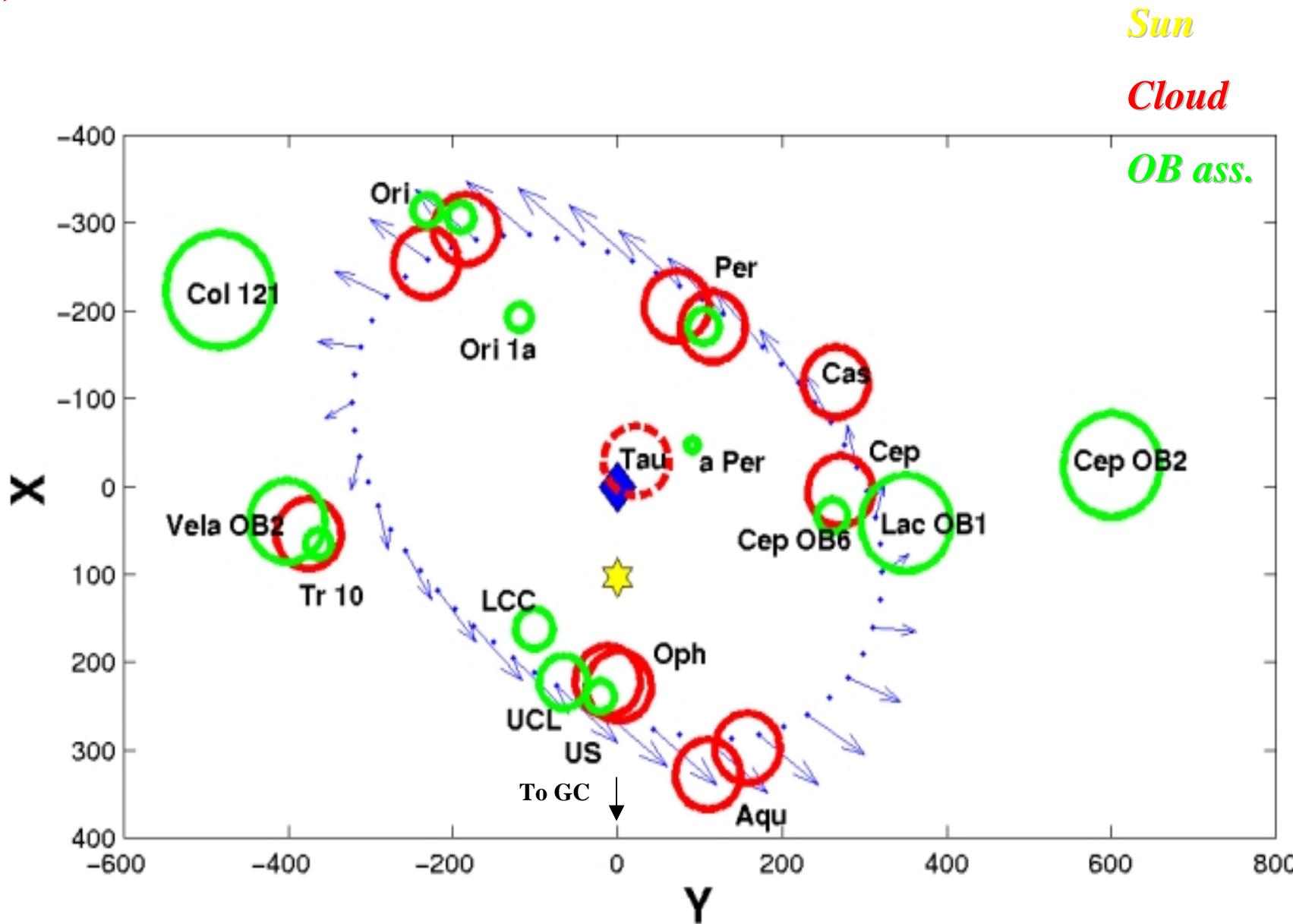
# New Belt location

Projection  
onto the  
Galactic  
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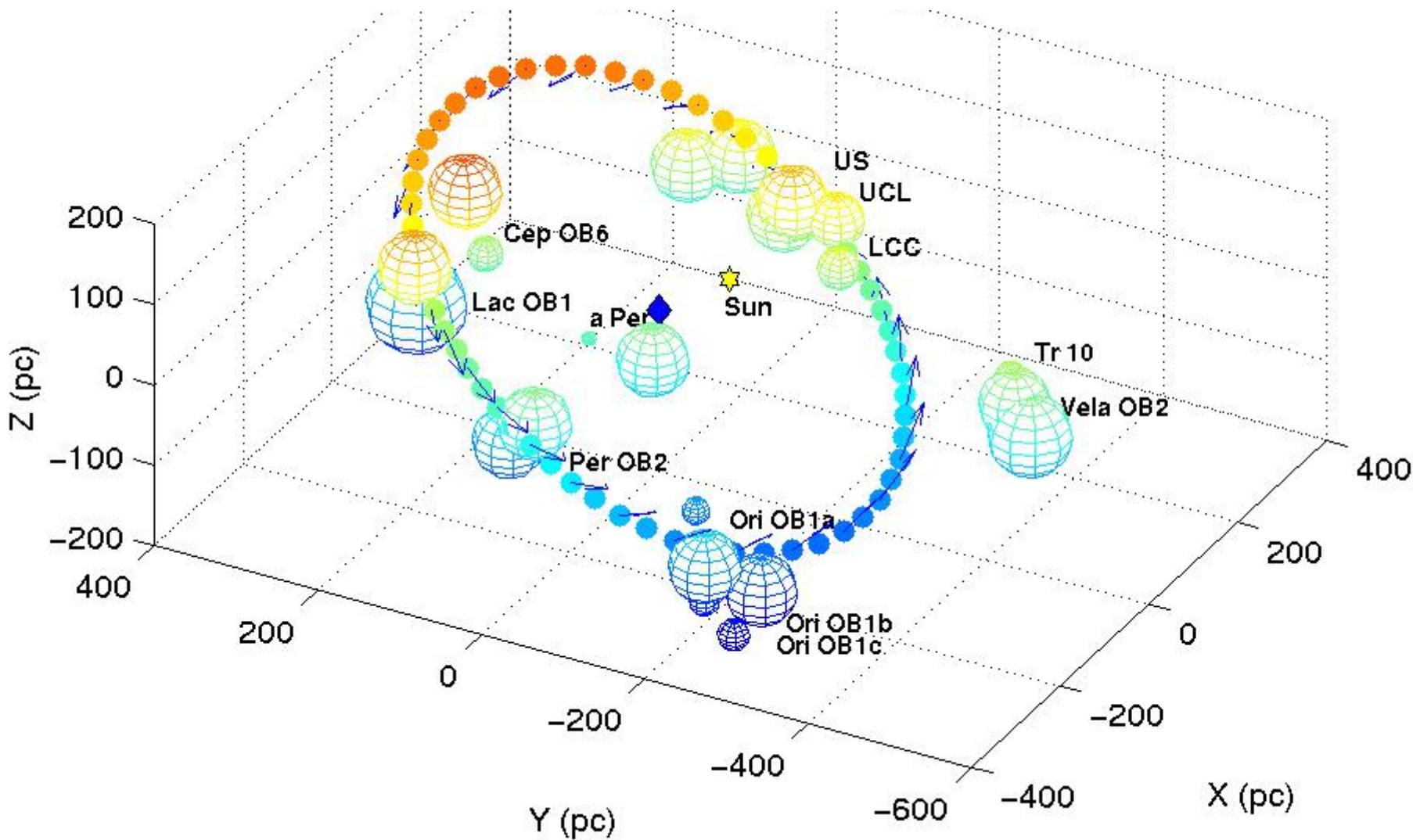
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# Belt parameters



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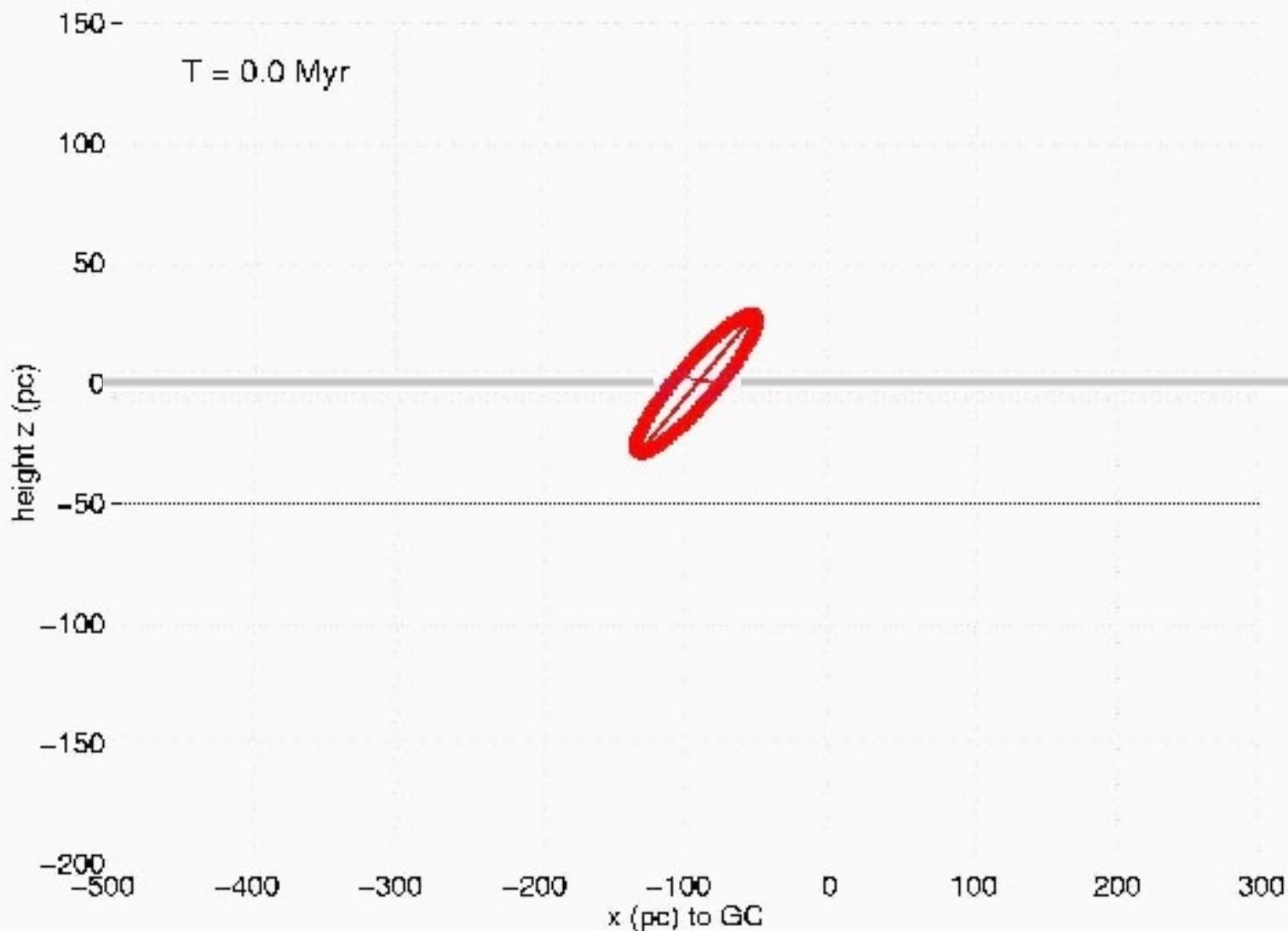
# The Gould Belt in 3D



# Belt parameters

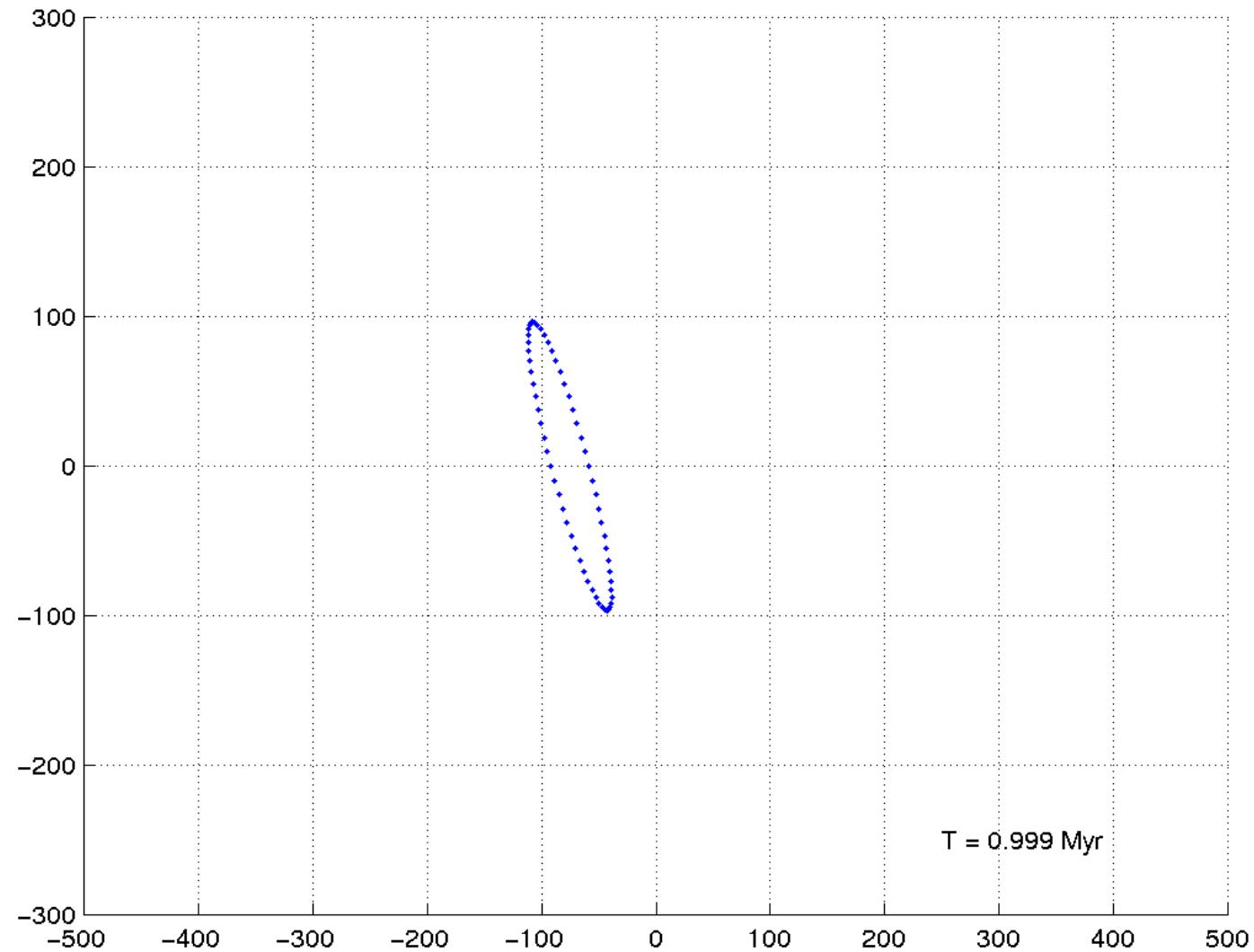
- ⊕ **Age**
  - $26.4 \pm 0.4$  Myr
- ⊕ **Initial energy**
  - $1.0 \pm 0.1 \cdot 10^{52}$  erg
- ⊕ **Belt center**
  - $\ell = 180^\circ \pm 2^\circ$
  - $D = 104 \pm 4$  pc
- ⊕ **Present ellipse**
  - $a = 354 \pm 5$  pc
  - $b = 232 \pm 5$  pc
- ⊕ **Present inclination**
  - $17.2^\circ \pm 0.3^\circ$
- ⊕ **Ascending node**
  - $296^\circ \pm 2^\circ$

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# evolution through the Gal. plane



# conclusions

- \* age of  $26.4 \pm 0.4$  Myr
  - ▶ ok with Olano '82, Comeron '99, Moreno '99 based on hydro evolution
  - ▶ significantly less than stellar estimates (25-50 Myr from spectral types, > 30 Myr in X)  
effect of stellar rotation on age estimate: overestimated by 40% ?
- \* Energy input of  $(1.0 \pm 0.1)10^{52}$  erg
  - ▶ ok with previous estimates
- \* the Belt peaks in the 1st quadrant ( $|l_\Omega| = 296^\circ$ )
  - ▶ new Cepheus, Cassiopeia, Polaris complexes most probably part of the Belt
- \* velocity dynamical range too small
  - ▶ no influence of initial parameters, thickness, distance information or not, ISM gradients, initial rotation or not, drag force, nor porosity
  - ▶ continuous energy input vs. impulsive event ? (under test)
  - ▶ local Oort constant A ??