



CHANDRA SOURCE CATALOG

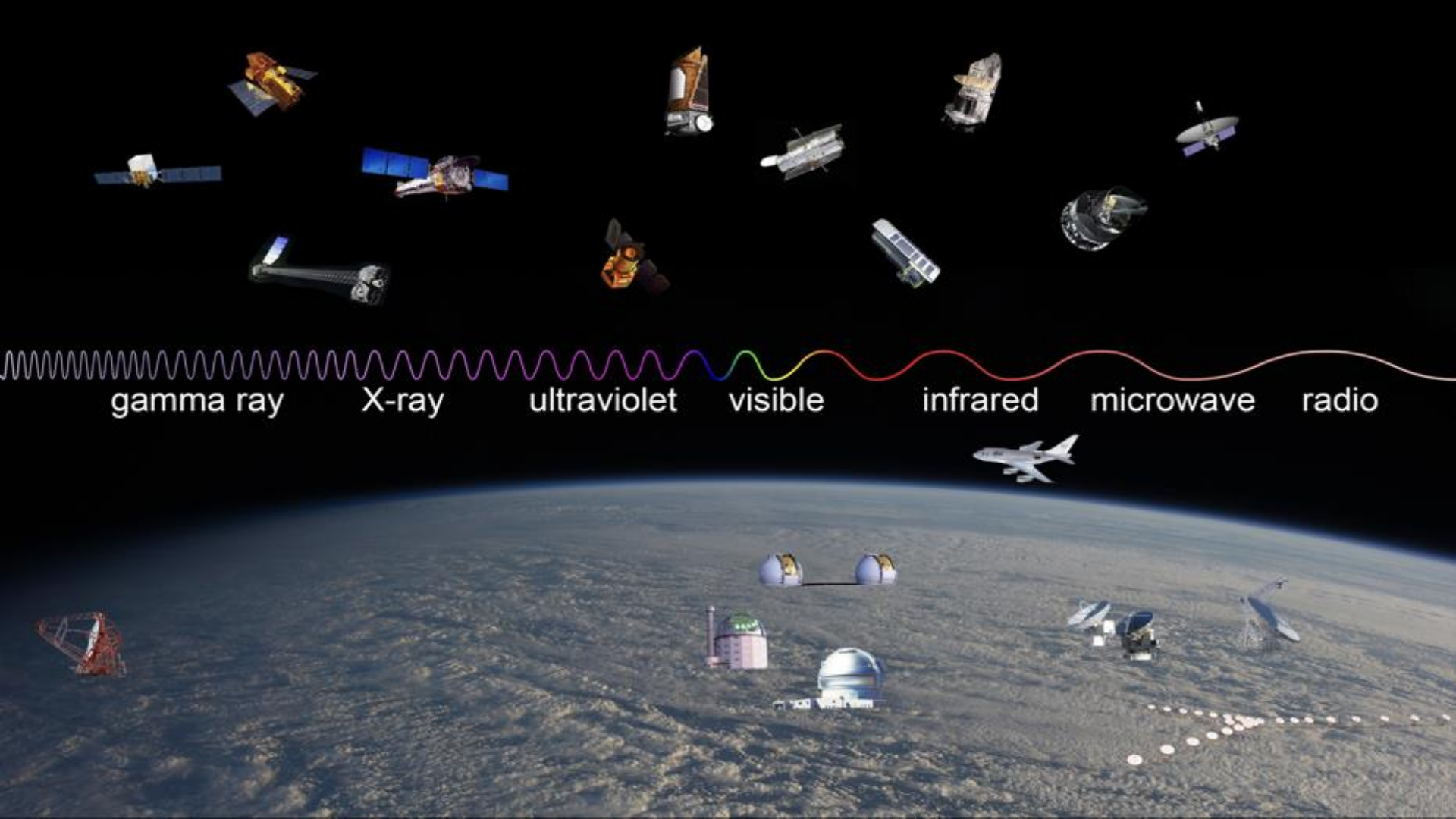
**A new view of the X-ray Sky through the
Virtual Observatory**

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Chandra X-ray Observatory

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gamma ray

X-ray

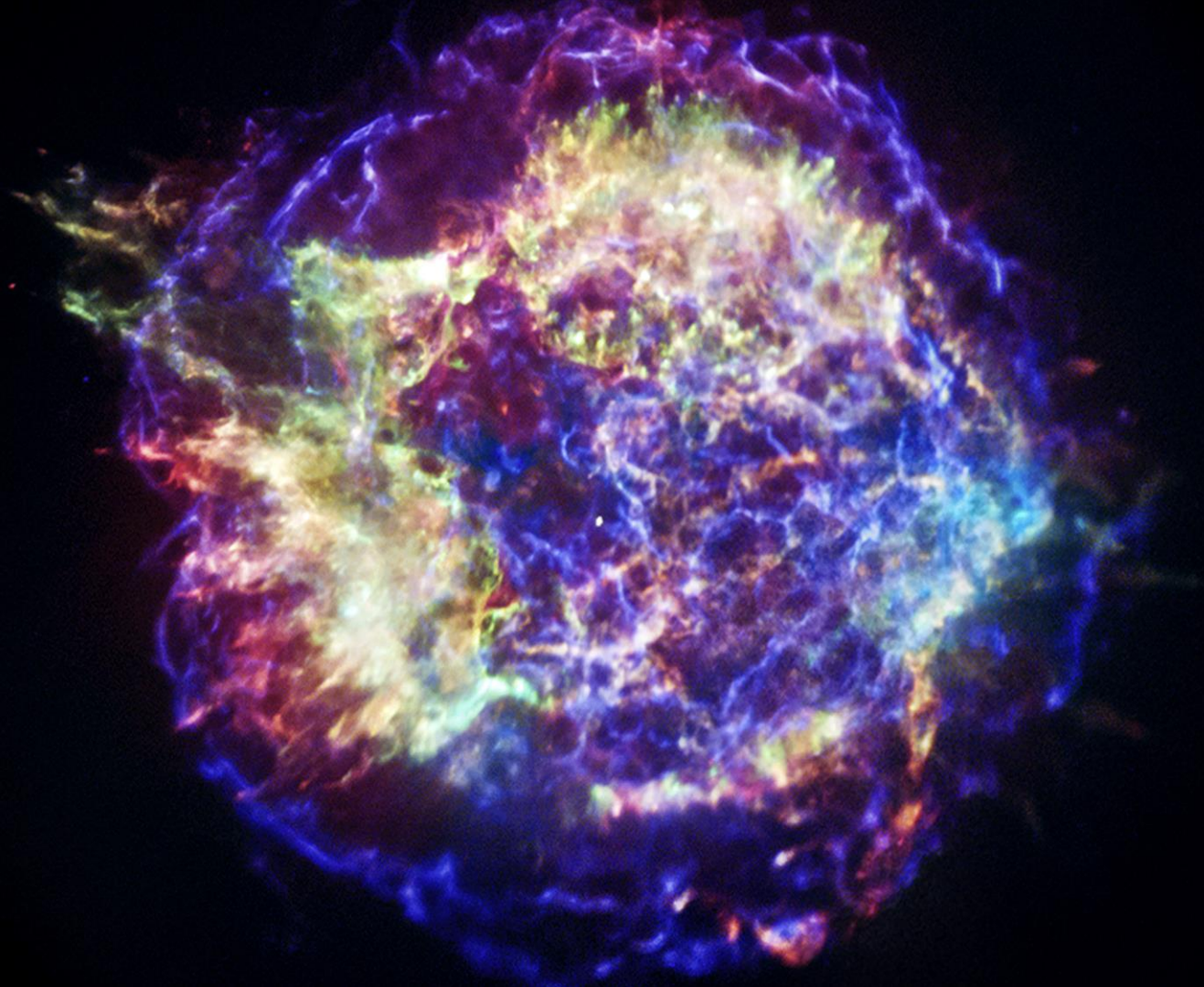
ultraviolet

visible

infrared

microwave

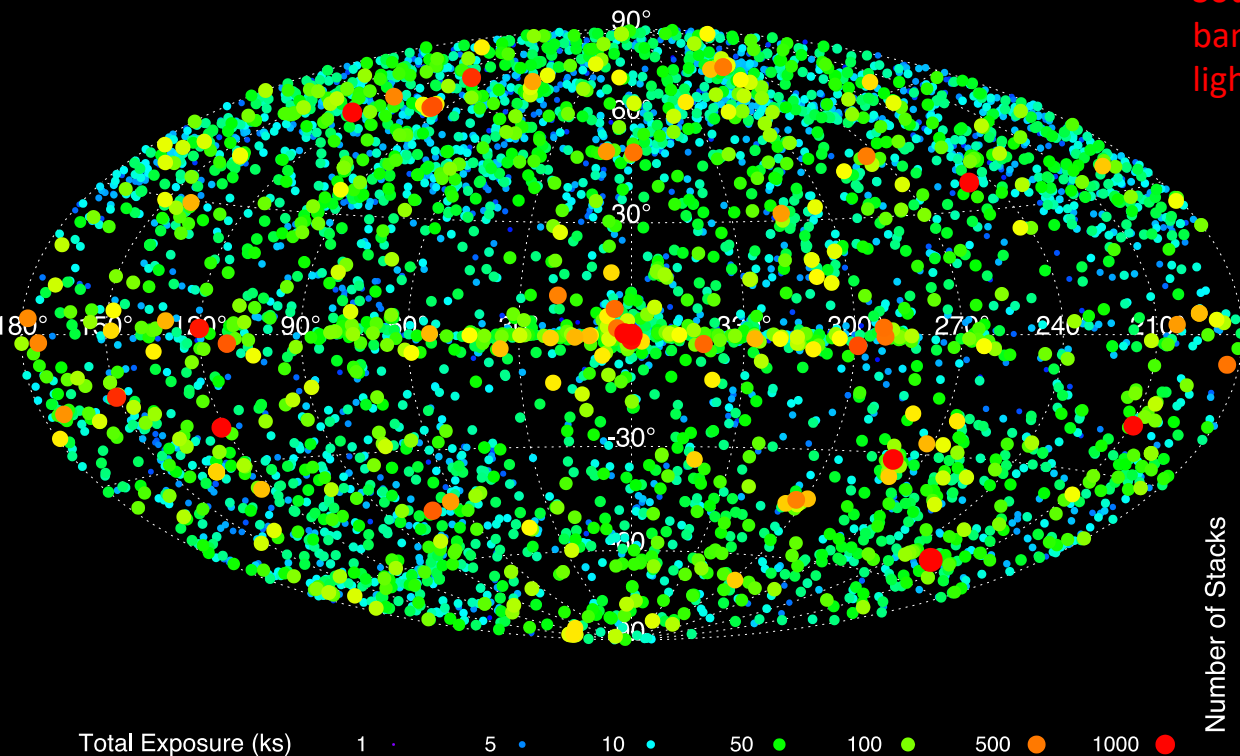
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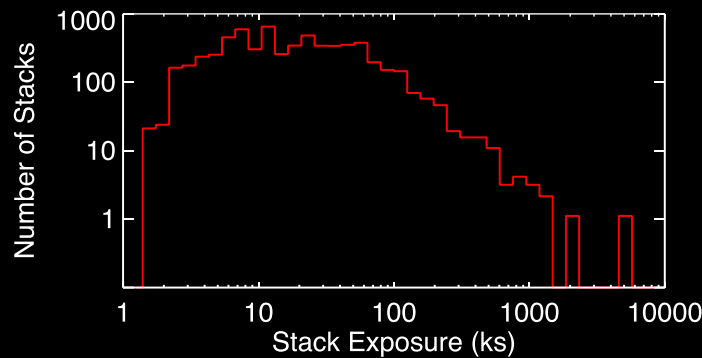
Chandra Source Catalog Release 2

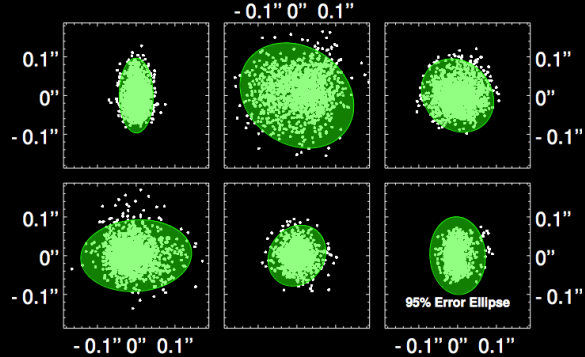
Mining the high-resolution X-ray sky

Source positions, calibrated photons, multi-band X-ray photometry, images, spectra, and light-curves

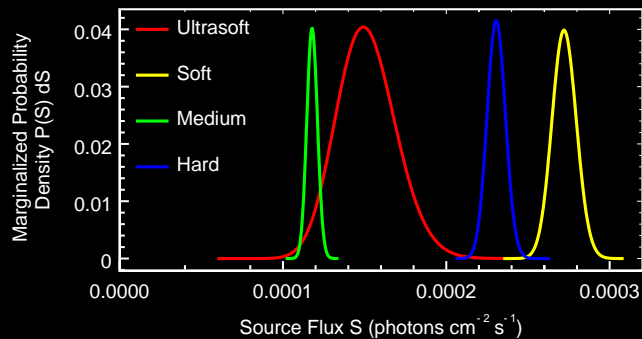


- 10,382 observations (data sets)
- 374,349 X-ray detections
- 315,875 unique X-ray sources on the sky
- 245.8 Ms total exposure
- 5.8 Ms longest stacked exposure

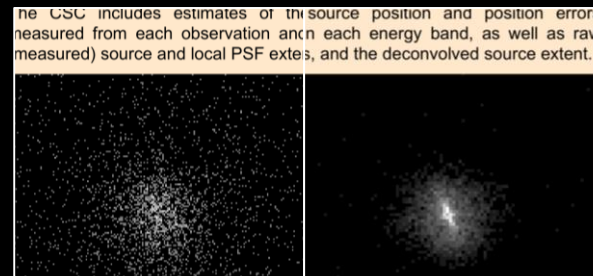




Source position with error ellipses computed from MCMC analysis



Multi-band X-ray aperture photometry with Bayesian probability density functions



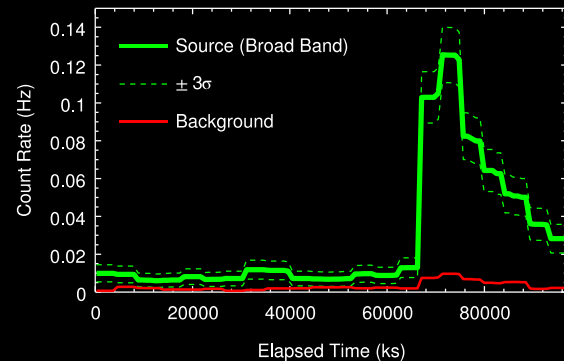
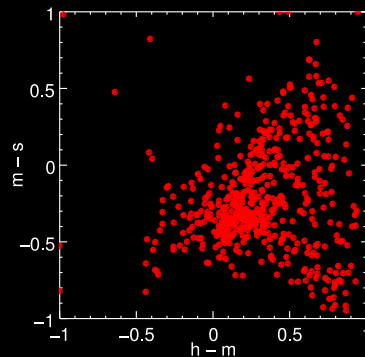
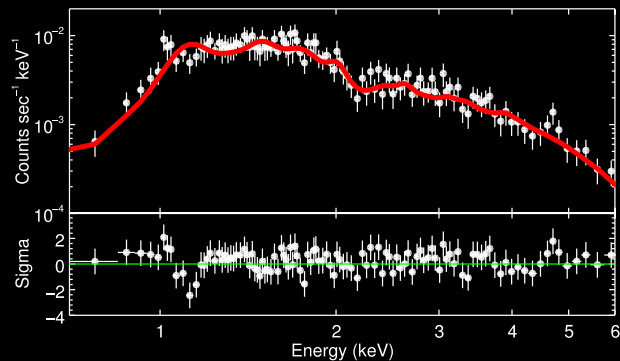
Source extent and local PSF models for every source and energy band

Source properties — all have associated upper and lower confidence bounds

Spectral model fits and fluxes determined using multiple models

Cross-band spectral Hardness ratios for all detected sources

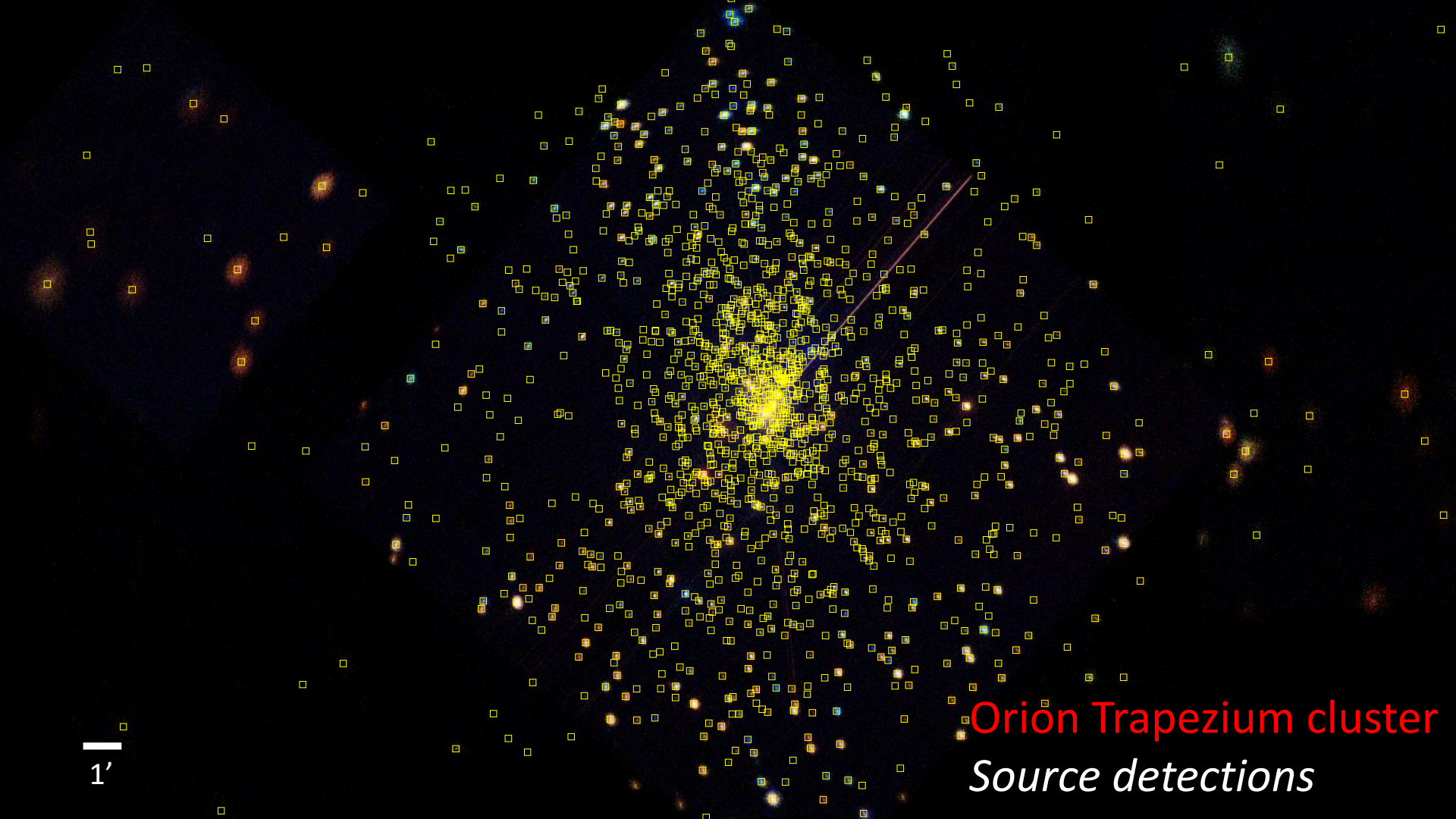
Several source temporal variability measures within a single Observation of a source and between multiple observations that include the same source





1'

Orion Trapezium cluster



Orion Trapezium cluster
Source detections



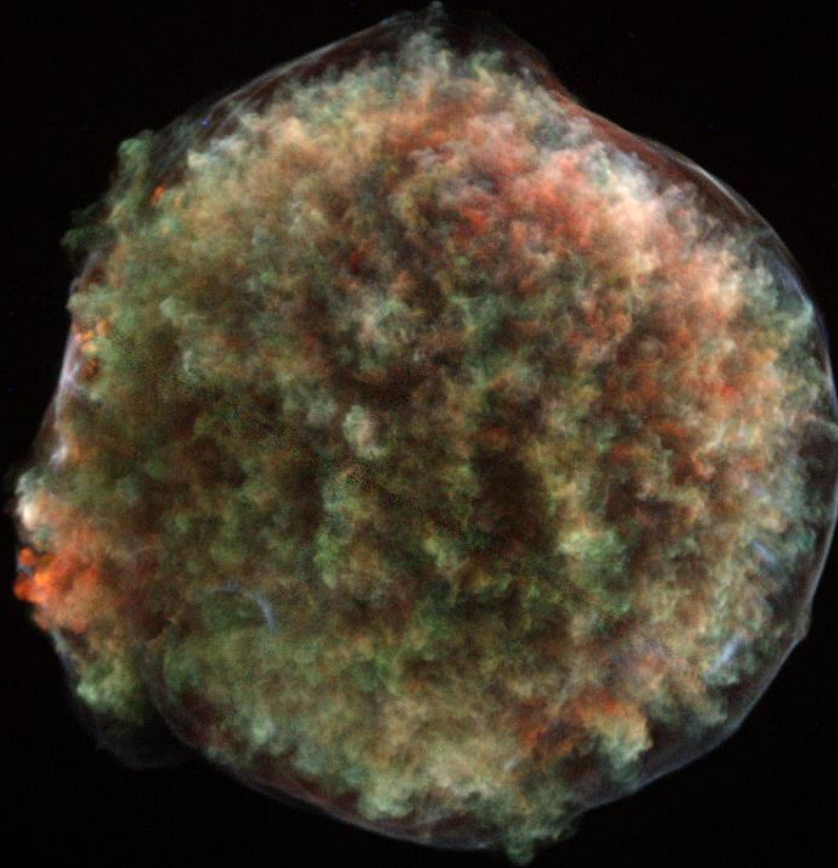
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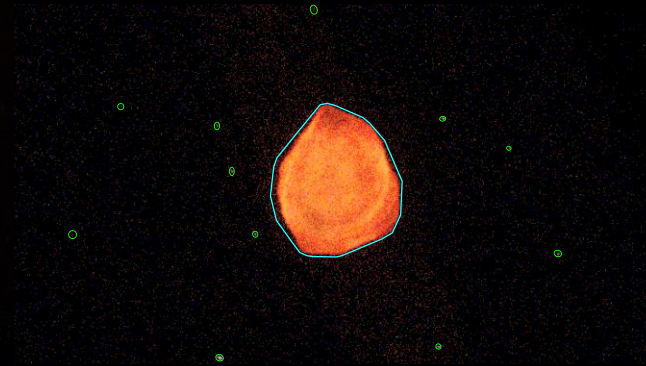
Release 2 of the catalog includes extended X-ray emission in addition to point and compact sources



Left: Tycho's supernova remnant (888 ks; 58 million X-ray photons!)

Below: Supernova remnant DEM L71

Large extended sources are identified by enclosing them in a convex hull polygon (cyan below). Position is the flux weighted centroid of the polygon.



Chandra Deep Field South

Single observation

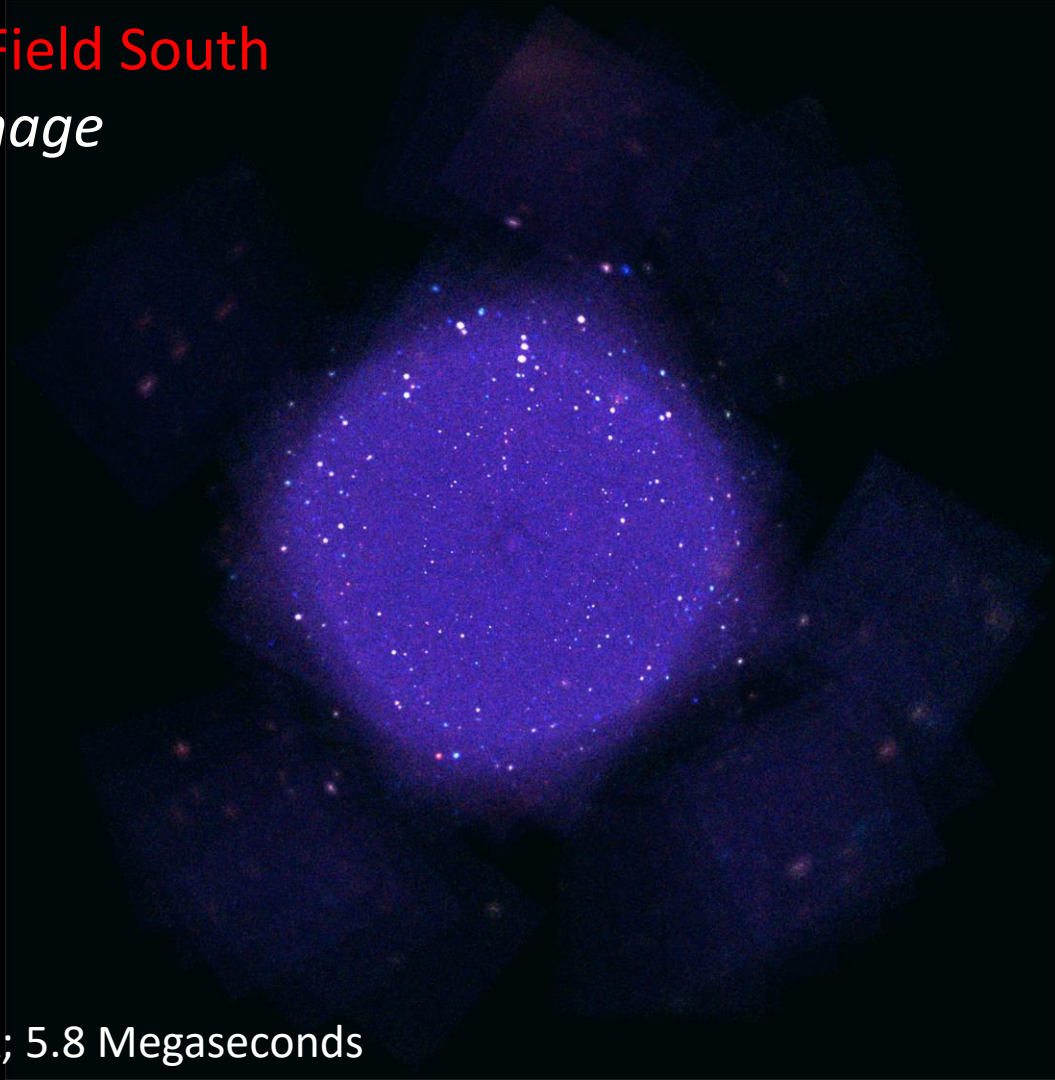


Chandra Deep Field South

Growing the observation stack



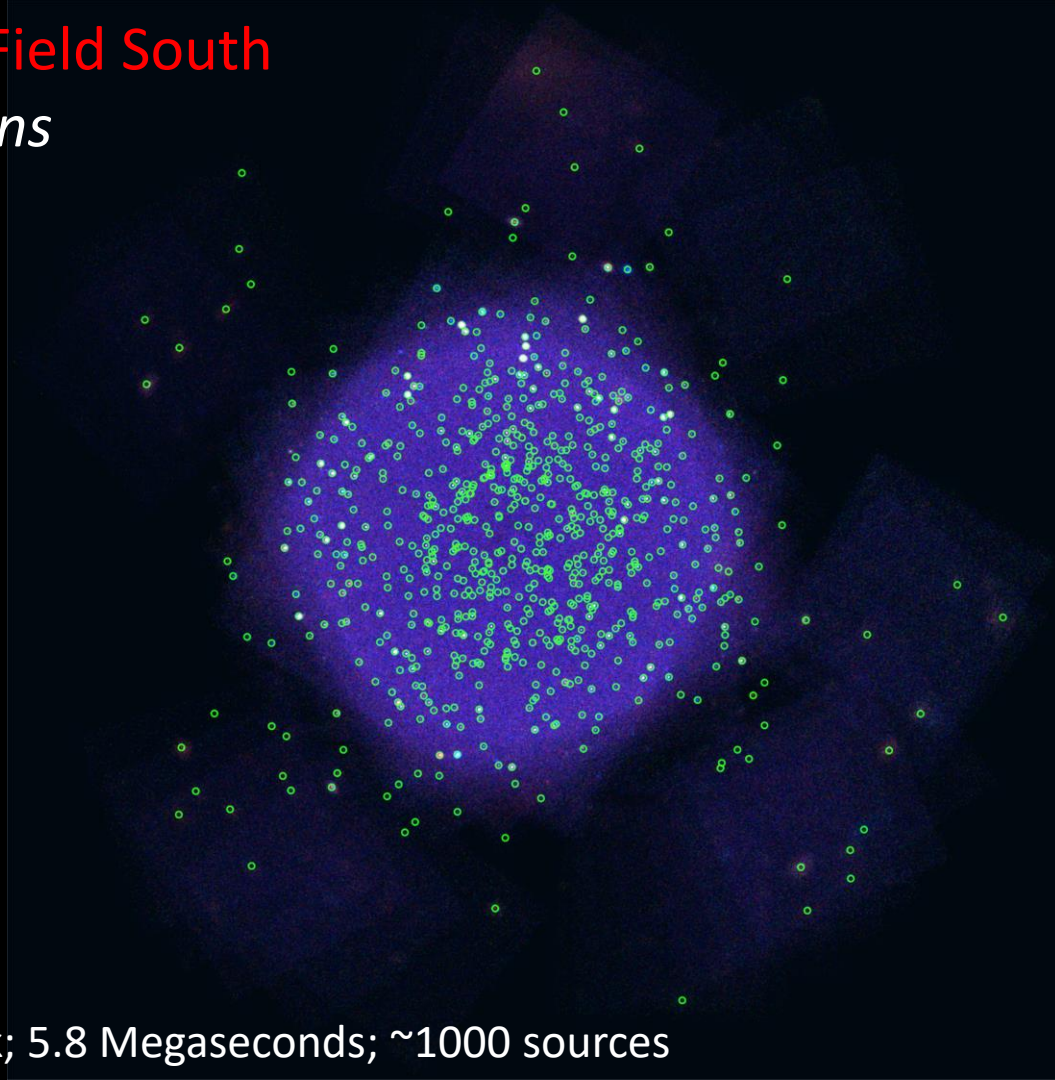
Chandra Deep Field South
Final stacked image



81 Observation stack; 5.8 Megaseconds

Chandra Deep Field South

Source detections



81 Observation stack; 5.8 Megaseconds; ~1000 sources



VO Interfaces ...

Cone Search – *position, radius*

SIA – *Simple Image data Access*

TAP service – *Table Access Protocol*

SAMP – *Simple Application Messaging Protocol*

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HiPs – Hierarchical Progressive Survey

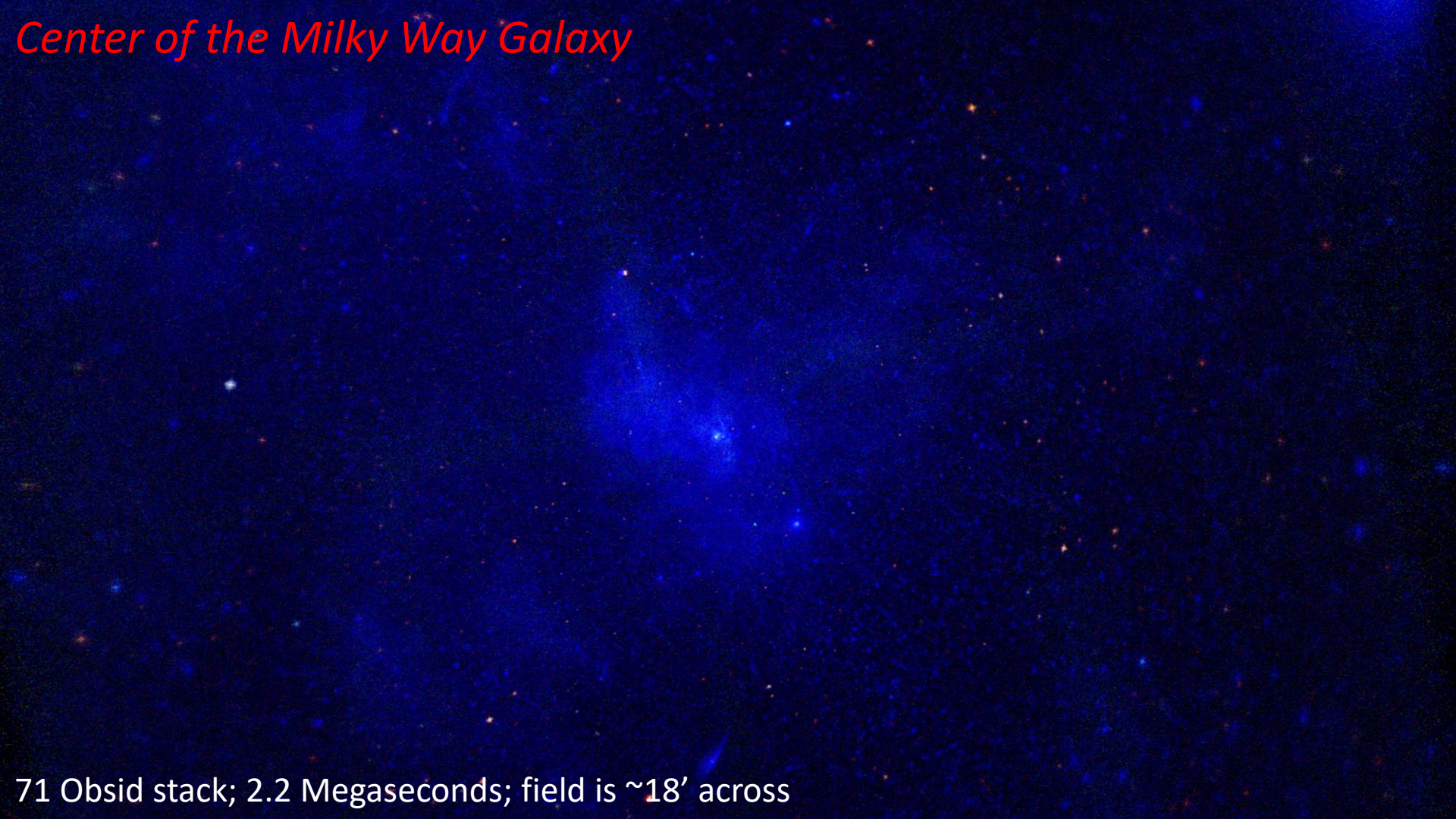
MOC – Multi-order Coverage Maps



# Citizen Science...

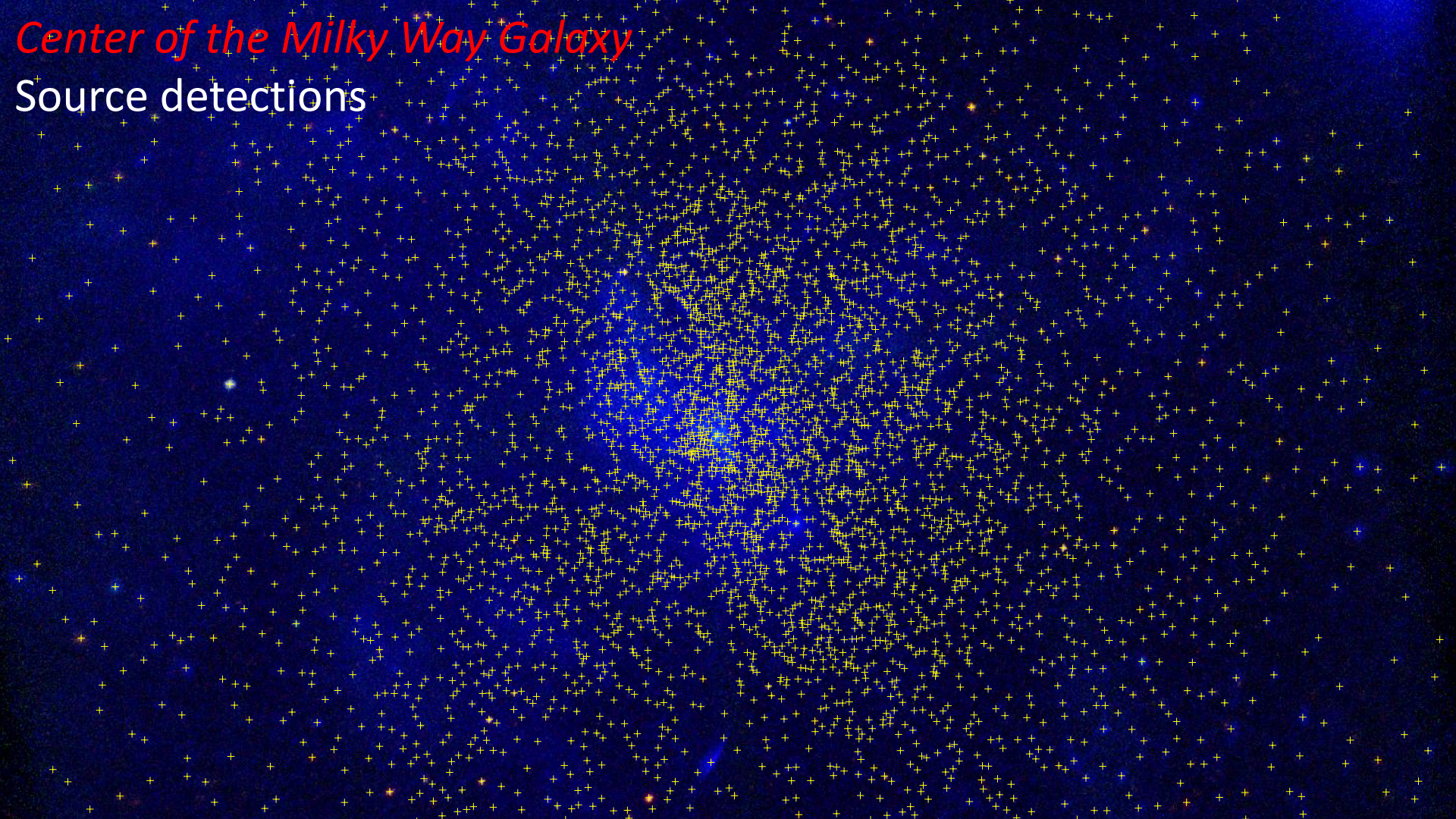
- The Chandra data is in the catalog
- Applications that incorporate VO standards interoperate
- Public use and education of X-ray and Multi-wavelength data thru the VO is a next step in education and use by the public at large

# *Center of the Milky Way Galaxy*



71 Obsid stack; 2.2 Megaseconds; field is ~18' across





*Center of the Milky Way Galaxy*

Source detections

# More info ...

Production of release 2 of the *Chandra Source Catalog* is in the last phase of processing. The complete catalog will be released in ~Feb 2018

For more details see the catalog website:

<http://cxc.cfa.harvard.edu/csc/>

*It is our hope & expectation that the CSC will be a rich virtual facility for X-ray astronomy and a long lasting legacy of the Chandra program*