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A comprehensive survey of dense gas structures and star formation in Cygnus-X
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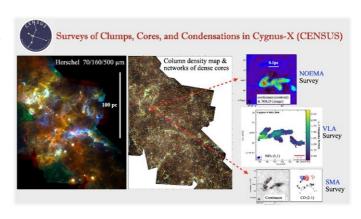
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Abstract

Our understanding about how stars, in particular massive star, form in molecular clouds is still limited. We are performing a comprehensive survey of Cygnus-X, which is the most massive and active giant molecular cloud complex within 3 kpc from the Sun. Based on observations with the SMA, Jansky VLA, JCMT, IRAM-30m, Herschel, Spitzer, and



Shanghai Tianma radio telescope, we carry out a systemic study of the hierarchy of molecular cloud structures and star formation activities within the complex, aimed at constraining initial conditions of (massive) star formation and probing detailed mass assmbly processes which lead to the birth of star clusters. I will introduce the progress of the project, including a complete survey of dense gas structures over ~30 deg^2 sky coverage and their mass function, fragmentation, and dynamical properties. I may also talk about our ALMA and NOEMA observations of the selected targets from the survey.