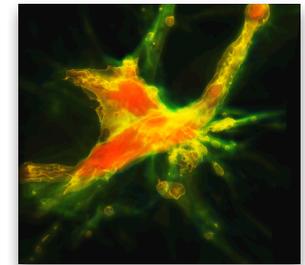
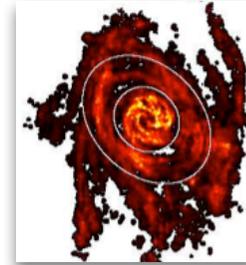
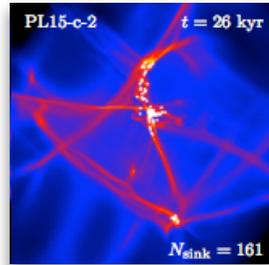
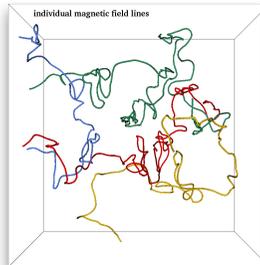


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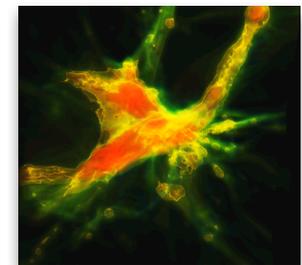
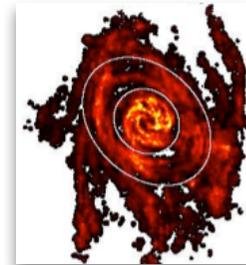
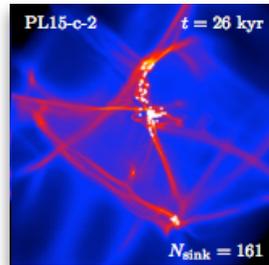
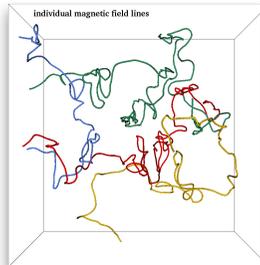


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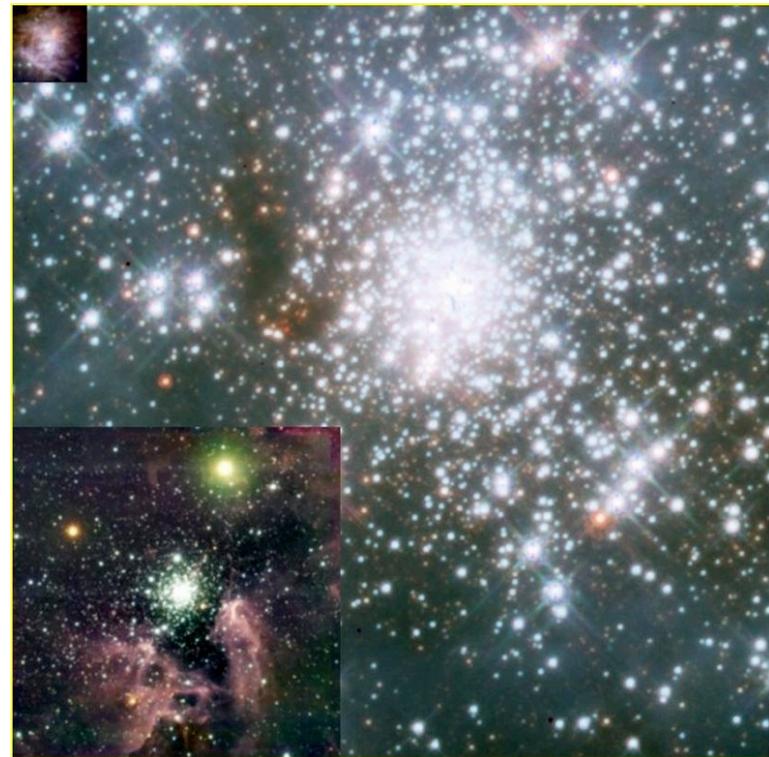
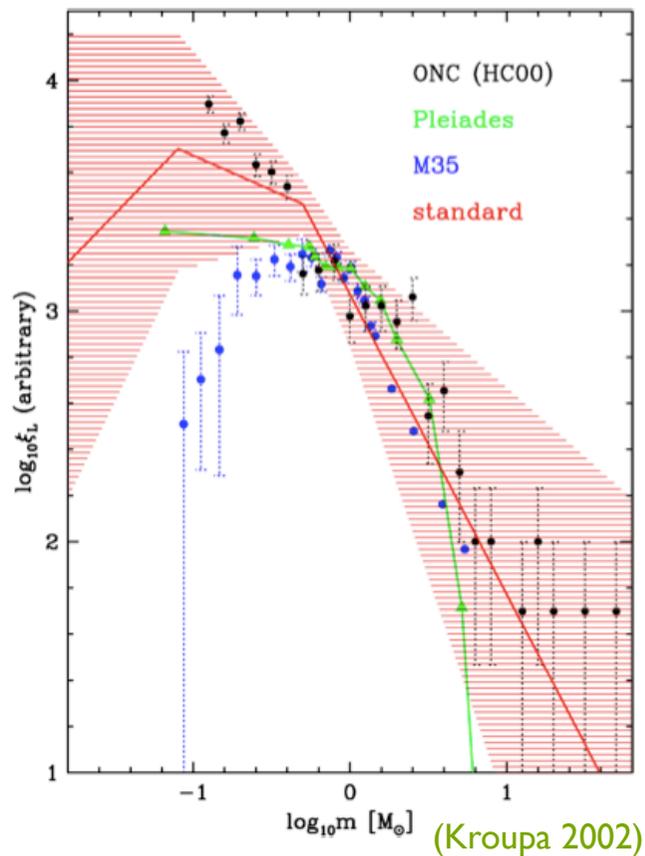
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stellar mass function

stars seem to follow a universal mass function at birth --> IMF



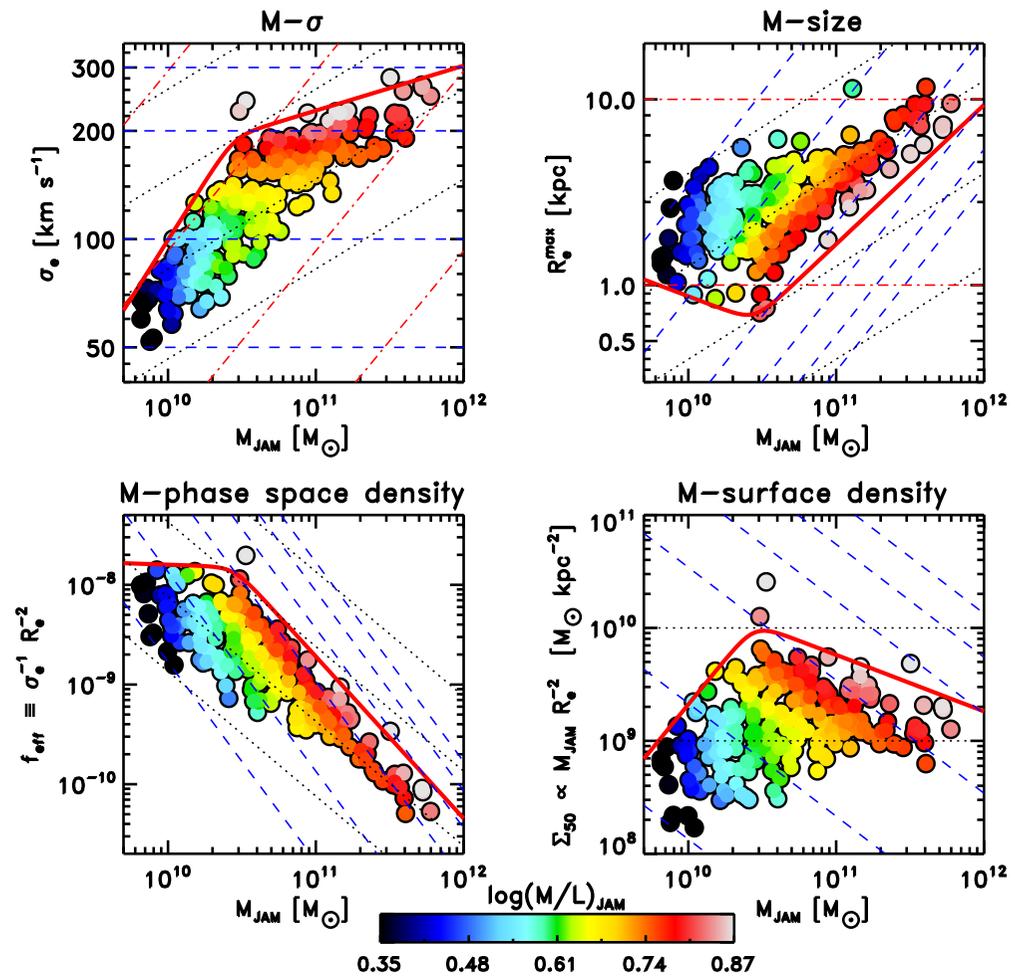
Orion, NGC 3603, 30 Doradus
(Zinnecker & Yorke 2007)

stellar mass function

BUT: maybe variations with galaxy type (bottom heavy in the centers of large ellipticals)

from JAM (Jeans anisotropic multi Gaussian expansion) modeling

inferred excess of low-mass stars compared to Kroupa IMF



(Cappellari et al. 2012, Nature, 484, 485, Cappellari et al. 2012ab, MNRAS, submitted, also van Dokkum & Conroy 2010, Nature, 468, 940, Wegner et al. 2012, AJ, 144, 78, and others)



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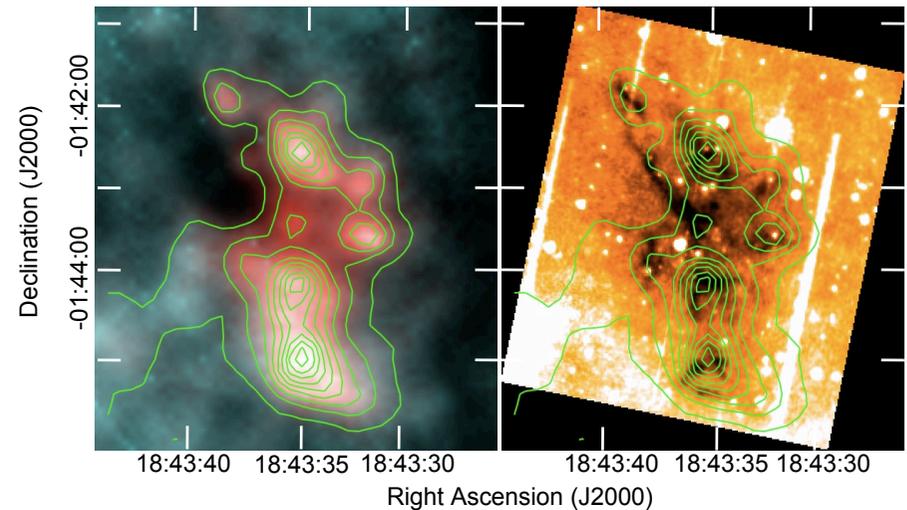
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initial conditions for
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ICs of star cluster formation

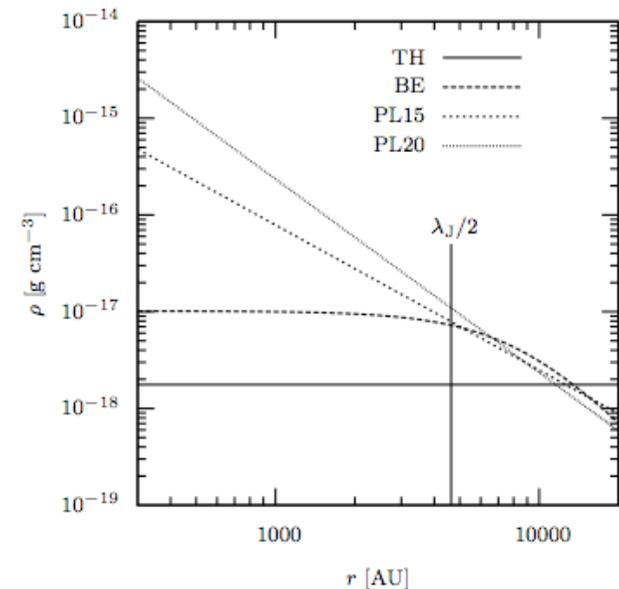
- key question:
 - what is the initial density profile of cluster forming cores?
how does it compare low-mass cores?
- observers answer:
 - very difficult to determine!
 - ▶ most high-mass cores have some SF inside
 - ▶ infra-red dark clouds (IRDCs) are difficult to study
 - but: new results with Herschel



IRDC observed with Herschel, Peretto et al. (2010)

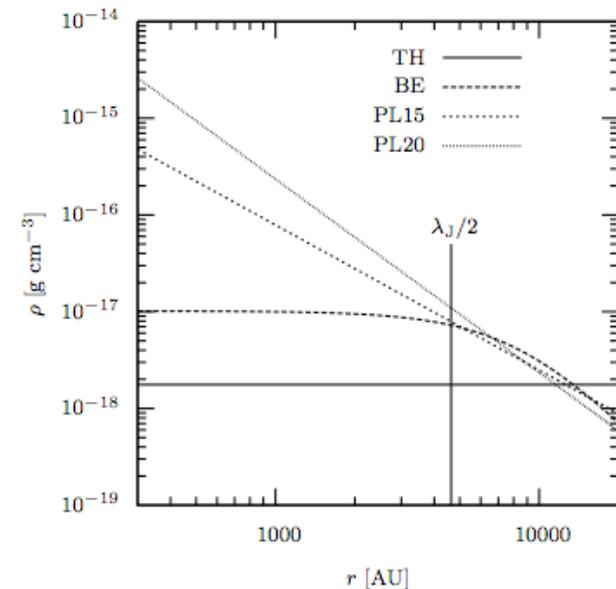
different density profiles

- key question:
 - what is the initial density profile of cluster forming cores? how does it compare low-mass cores?
- theorists answer:
 - top hat (Larson Penston)
 - Bonnor Ebert (like low-mass cores)
 - power law $\rho \propto r^{-1}$ (logotrop)
 - power law $\rho \propto r^{-3/2}$ (Krumholz, McKee, et
 - power law $\rho \propto r^{-2}$ (Shu)
 - and many more



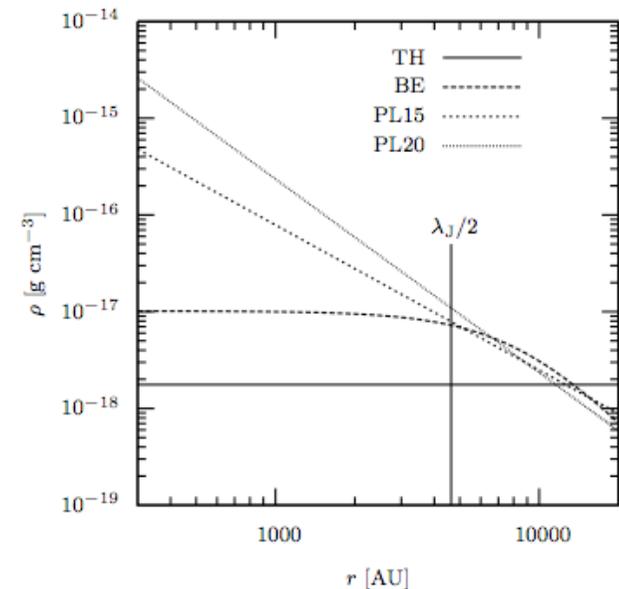
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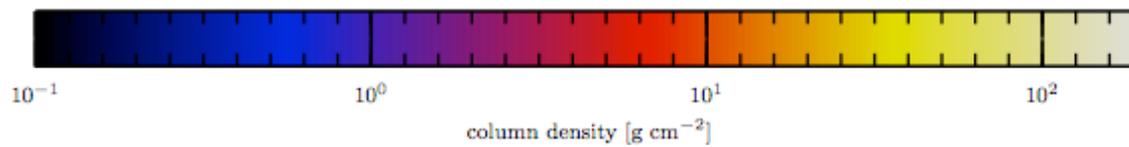
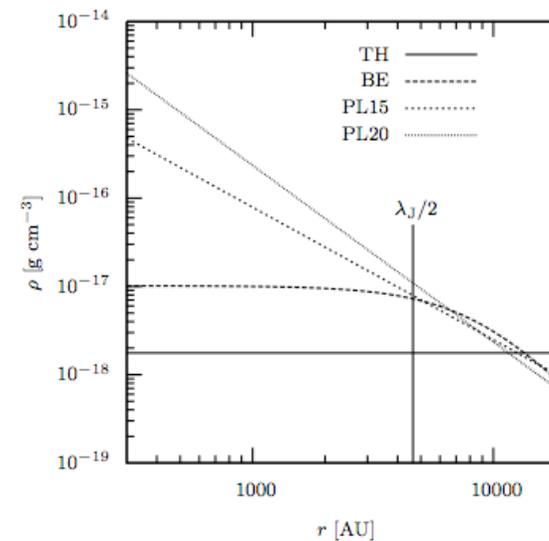
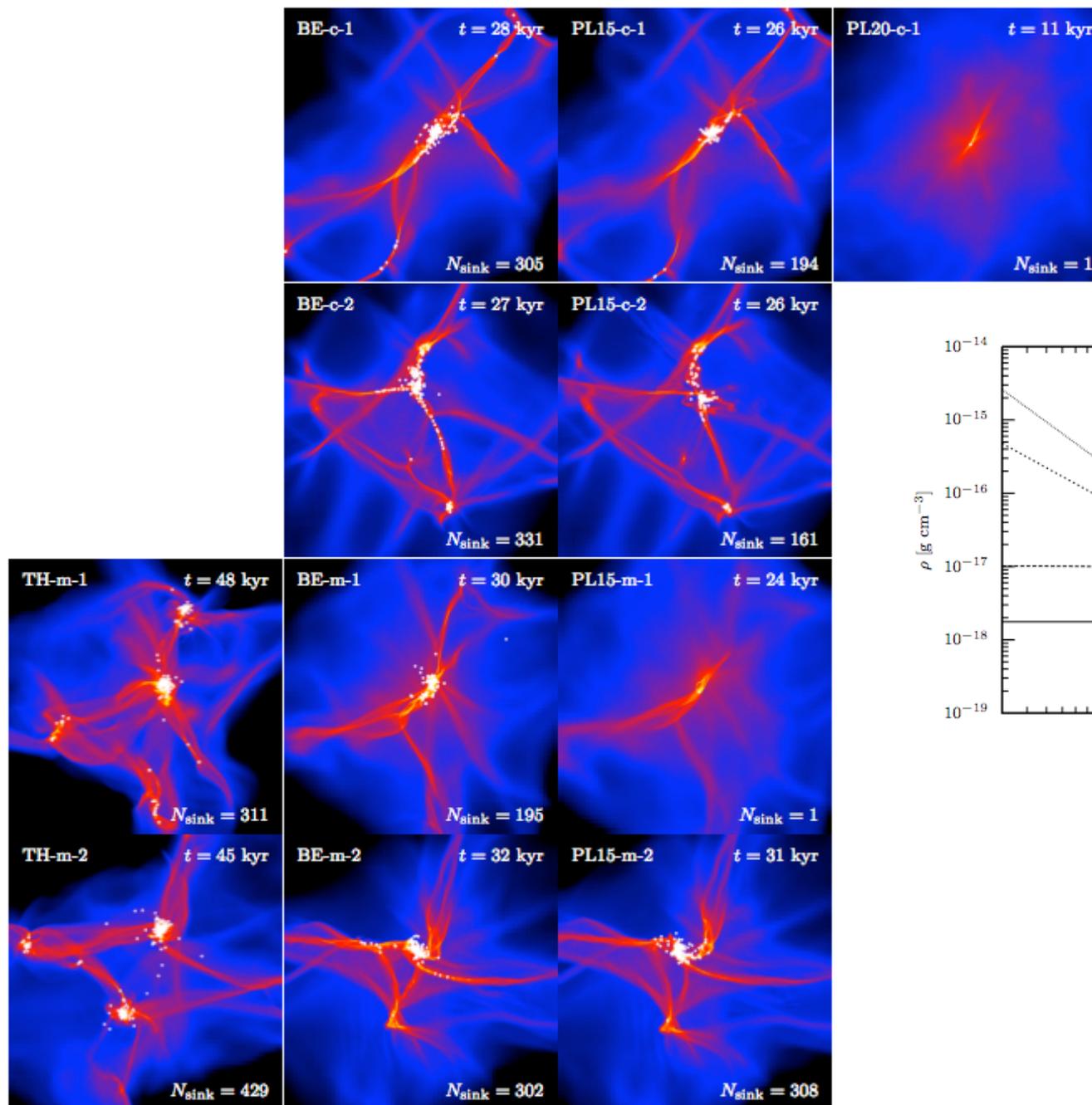
- does the density profile matter?
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- in comparison to
 - turbulence ...
 - radiative feedback ...
 - magnetic fields ...
 - thermodynamics ...

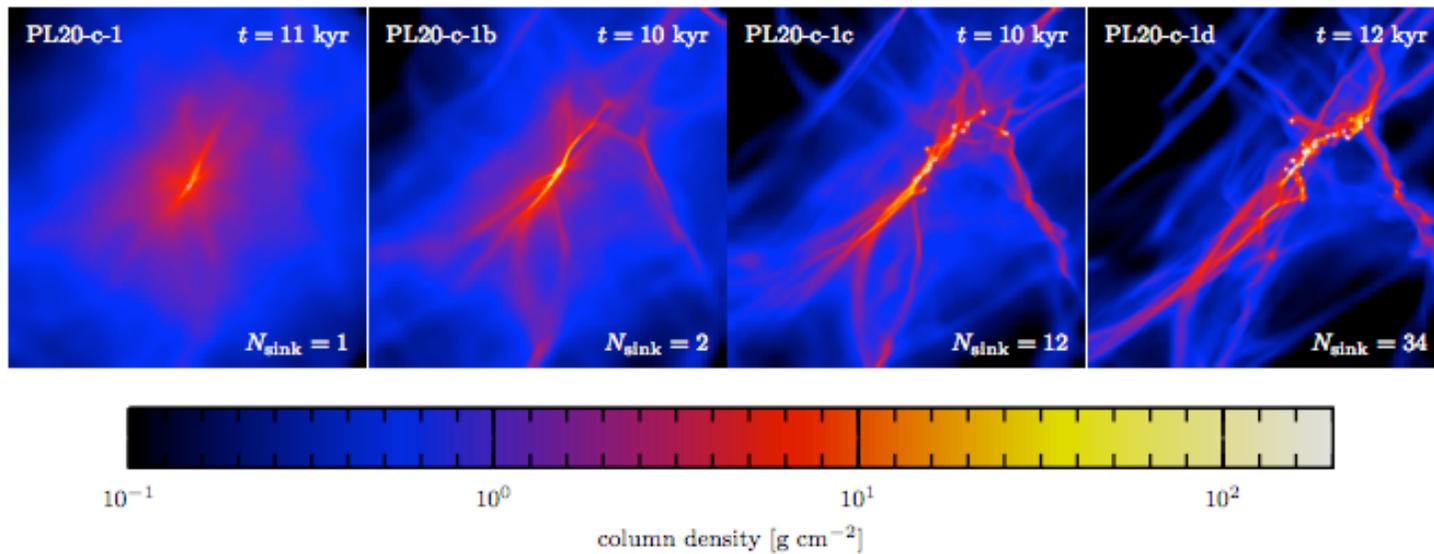


different density profiles

- address question in simple numerical experiment
- perform extensive parameter study
 - different profiles (top hat, BE, $r^{-3/2}$, r^{-3})
 - different turbulence fields
 - ▶ different realizations
 - ▶ different Mach numbers
 - ▶ solenoidal turbulence
dilatational turbulence
both modes
 - no net rotation, no B-fields
(at the moment)







M=3

M=6

M=12

M=18

for the r^{-2} profile you need to crank up
turbulence a lot to get some fragmentation!

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ICs with flat inner density profile form more fragments

number of protostars

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however, the real situation is very complex:
 details of the initial turbulent field matter

very high Mach numbers are needed to make
 SIS fragment

number of
 protostars

different density profiles

- different density profiles lead to very different fragmentation behavior
- fragmentation is strongly suppressed for very peaked, power-law profiles
- this is *good* because it may explain some of the theoretical controversy, we have in the field
- this is *bad*, because all current calculations are “wrong” in the sense that the formation process of the star-forming core is neglected.



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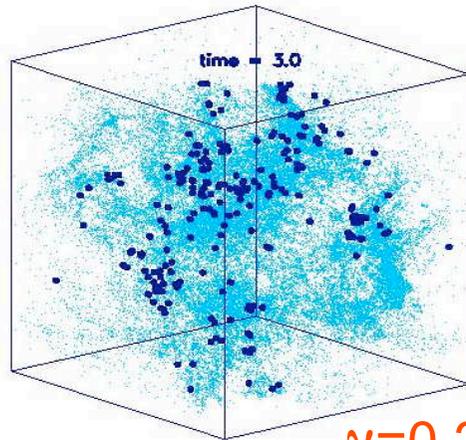


dependency on EOS

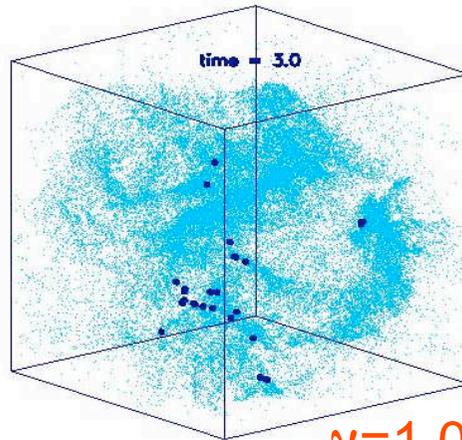
- degree of fragmentation depends on *EOS!*
- polytropic EOS: $p \propto \rho^\gamma$
- $\gamma < 1$: dense cluster of low-mass stars
- $\gamma > 1$: isolated high-mass stars
- (see Li, Klessen, & Mac Low 2003, ApJ, 592, 975; also Kawachi & Hanawa 1998, Larson 2003)



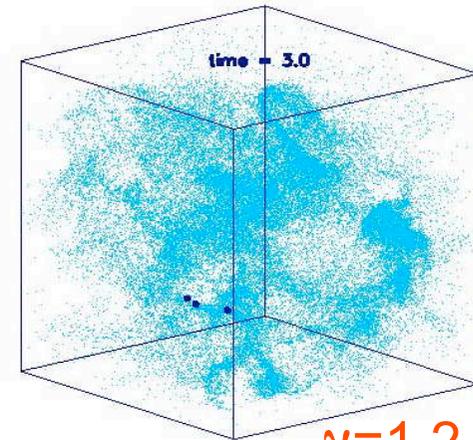
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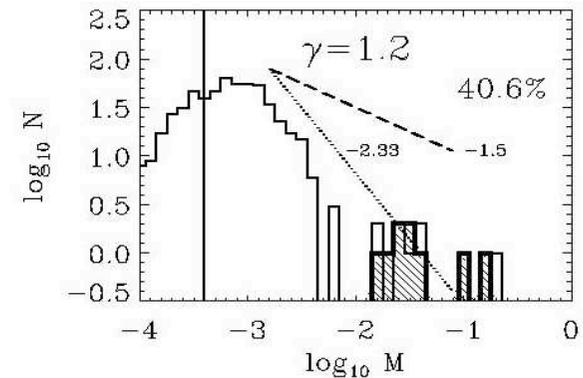
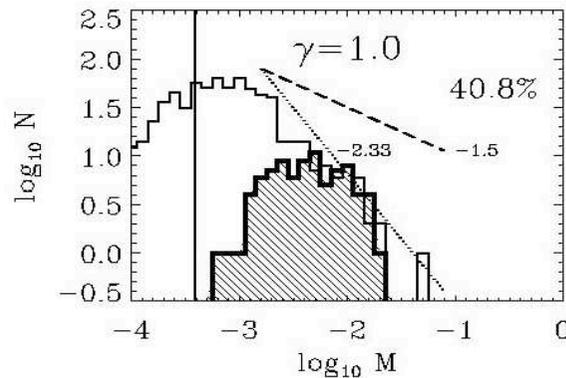
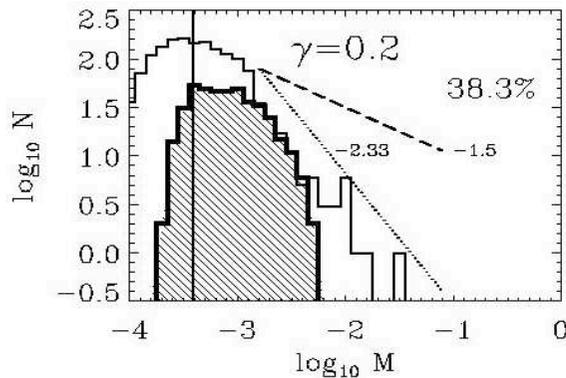
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$\gamma=1.0$



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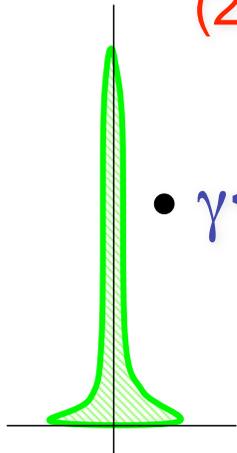
for $\gamma < 1$ fragmentation is enhanced \rightarrow *cluster of low-mass stars*
for $\gamma > 1$ it is suppressed \rightarrow formation of *isolated massive stars*



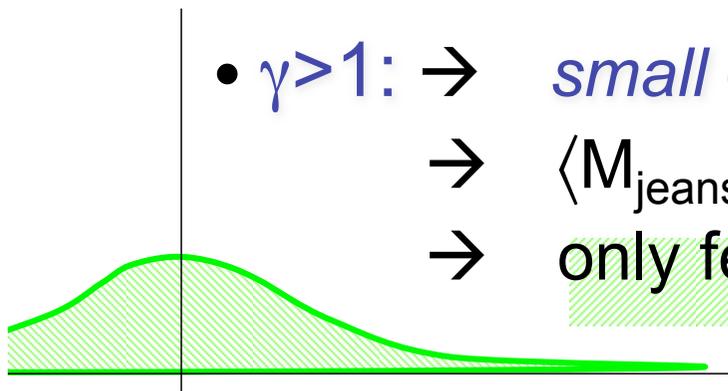
how does that work?

(1) $p \propto \rho^\gamma \rightarrow \rho \propto p^{1/\gamma}$

(2) $M_{\text{jeans}} \propto \gamma^{3/2} \rho^{(3\gamma-4)/2}$



- $\gamma < 1$: \rightarrow *large* density excursion for given pressure
 \rightarrow $\langle M_{\text{jeans}} \rangle$ becomes small
 \rightarrow number of fluctuations with $M > M_{\text{jeans}}$ is large

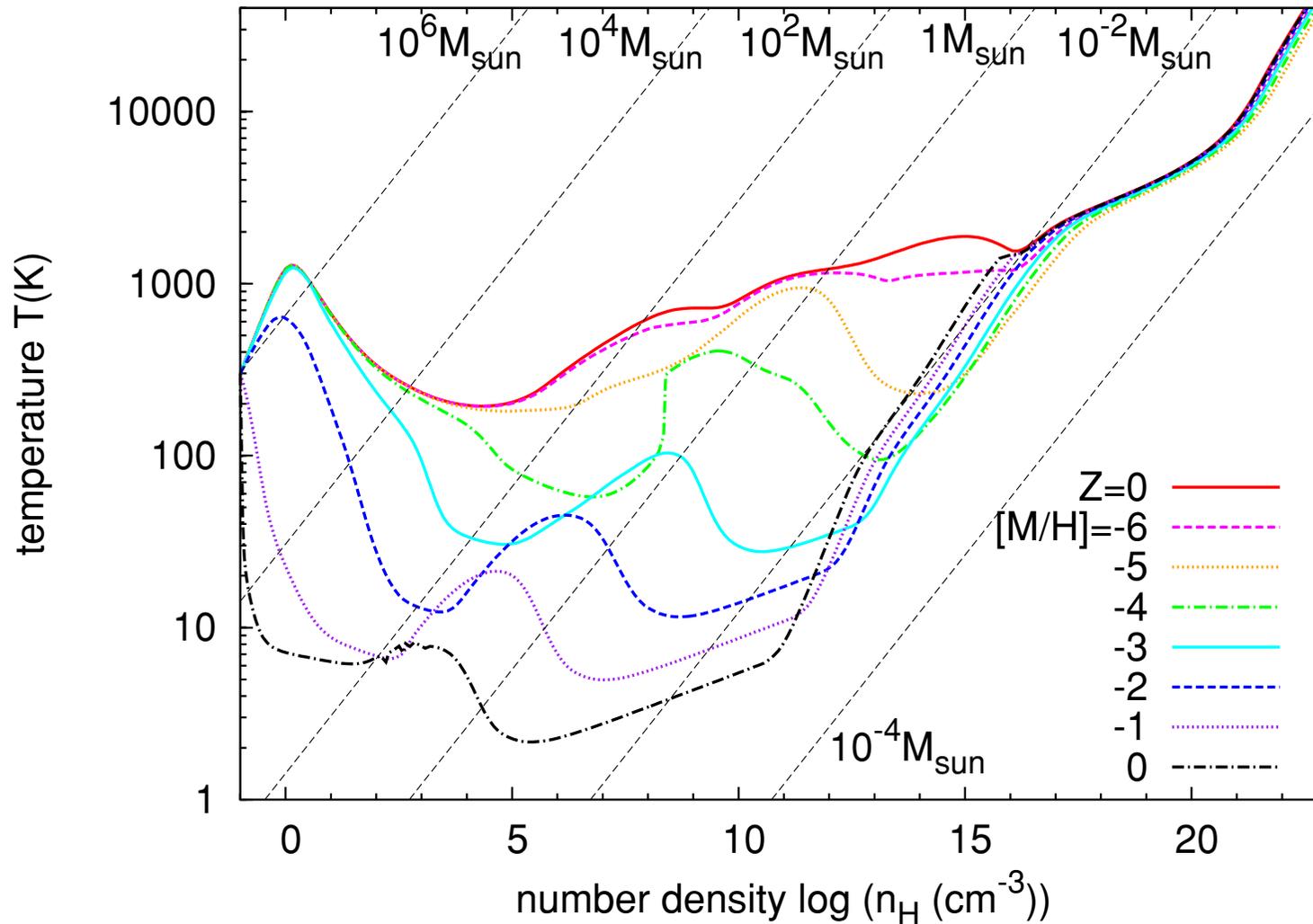


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 \rightarrow $\langle M_{\text{jeans}} \rangle$ is large
 \rightarrow only few and massive clumps exceed M_{jeans}



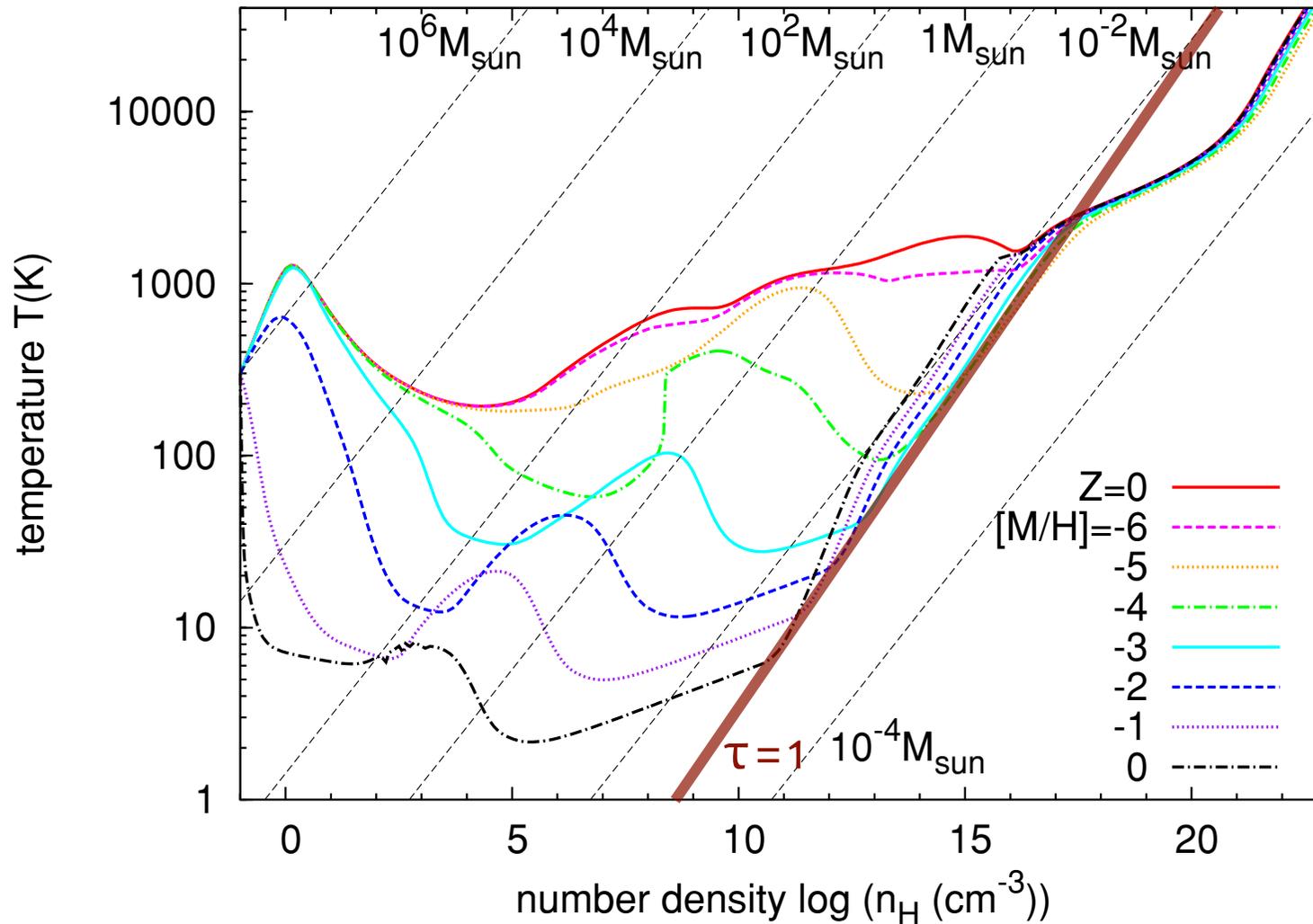
EOS in different environments

EOS as function of metallicity



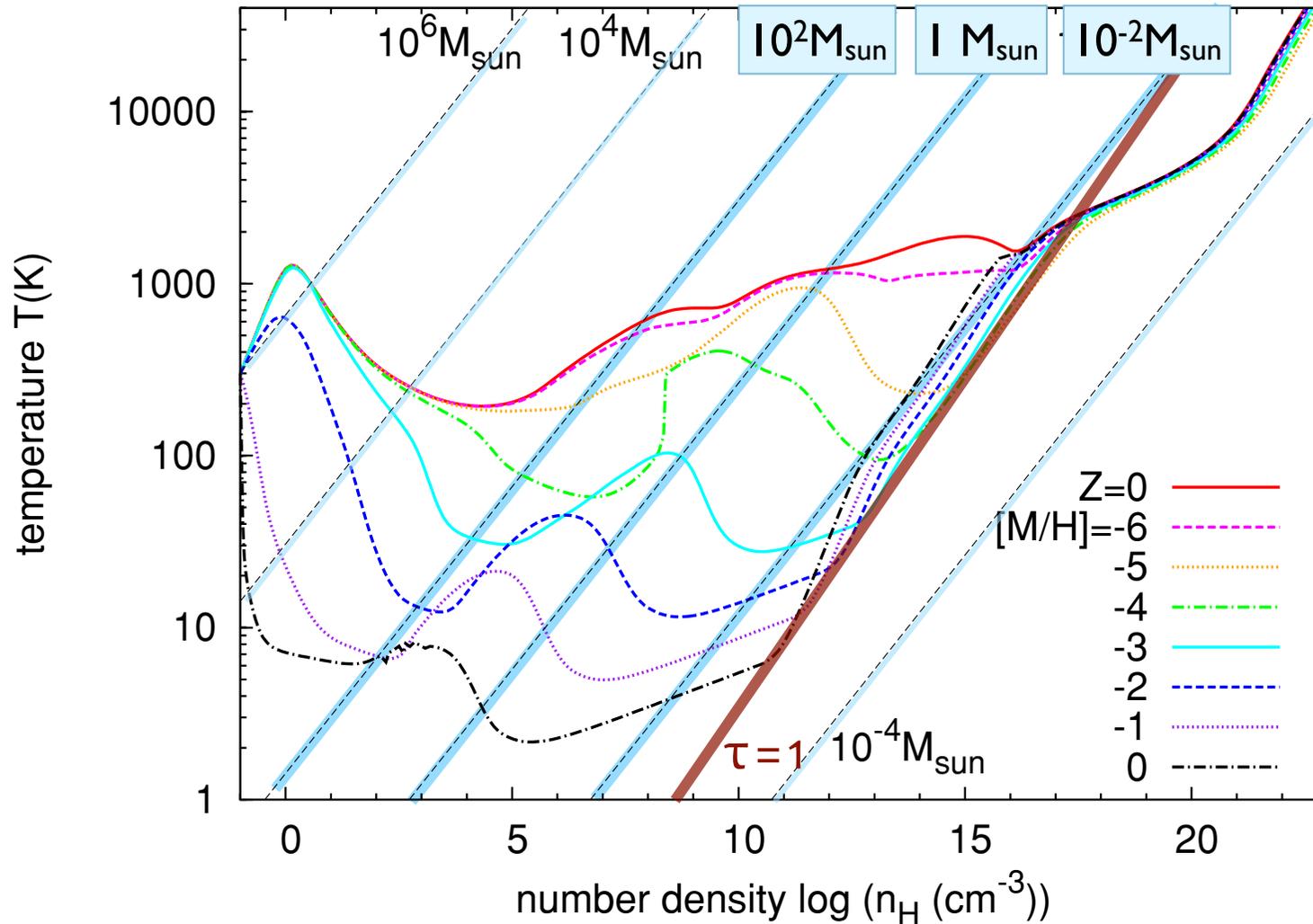
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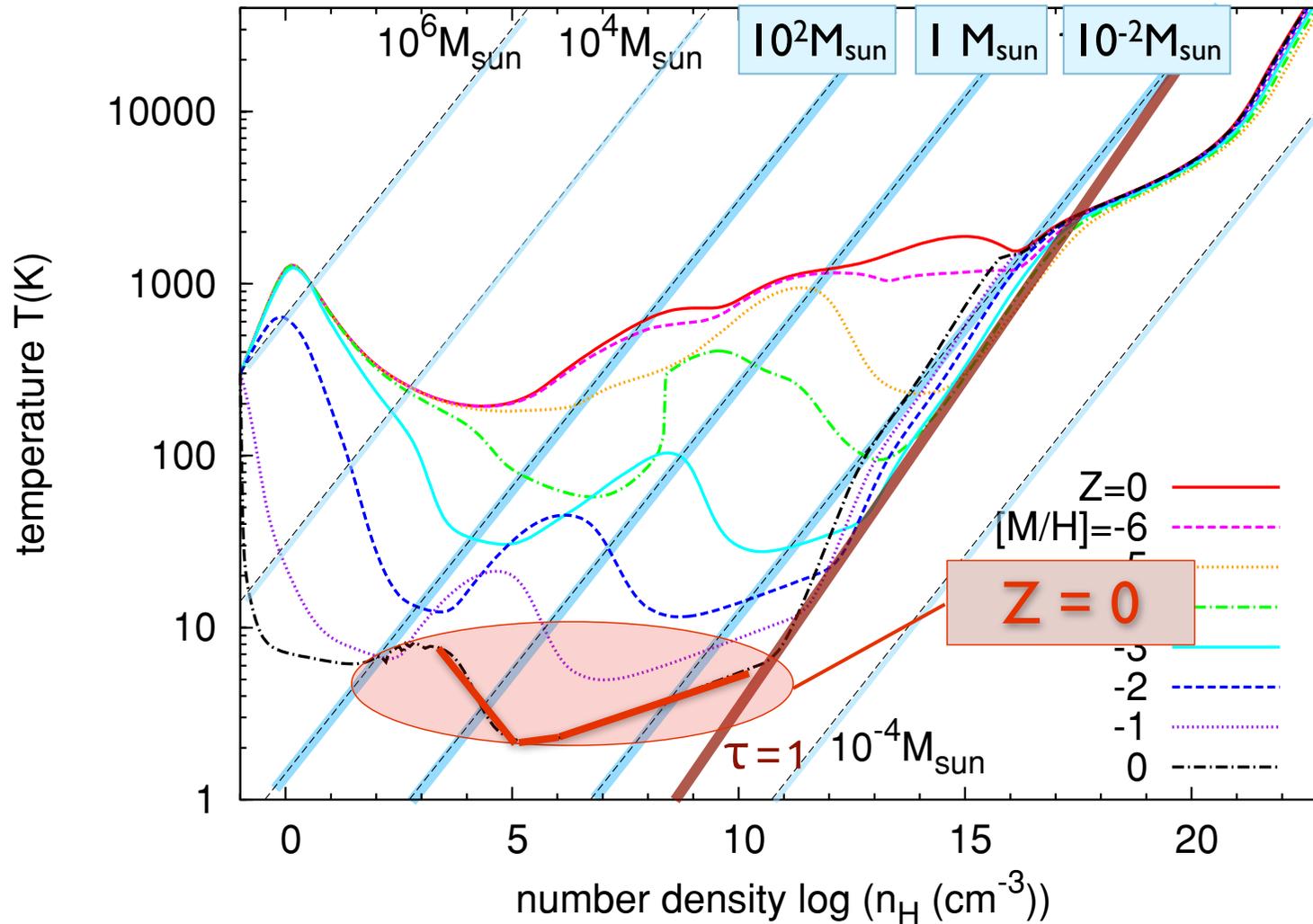
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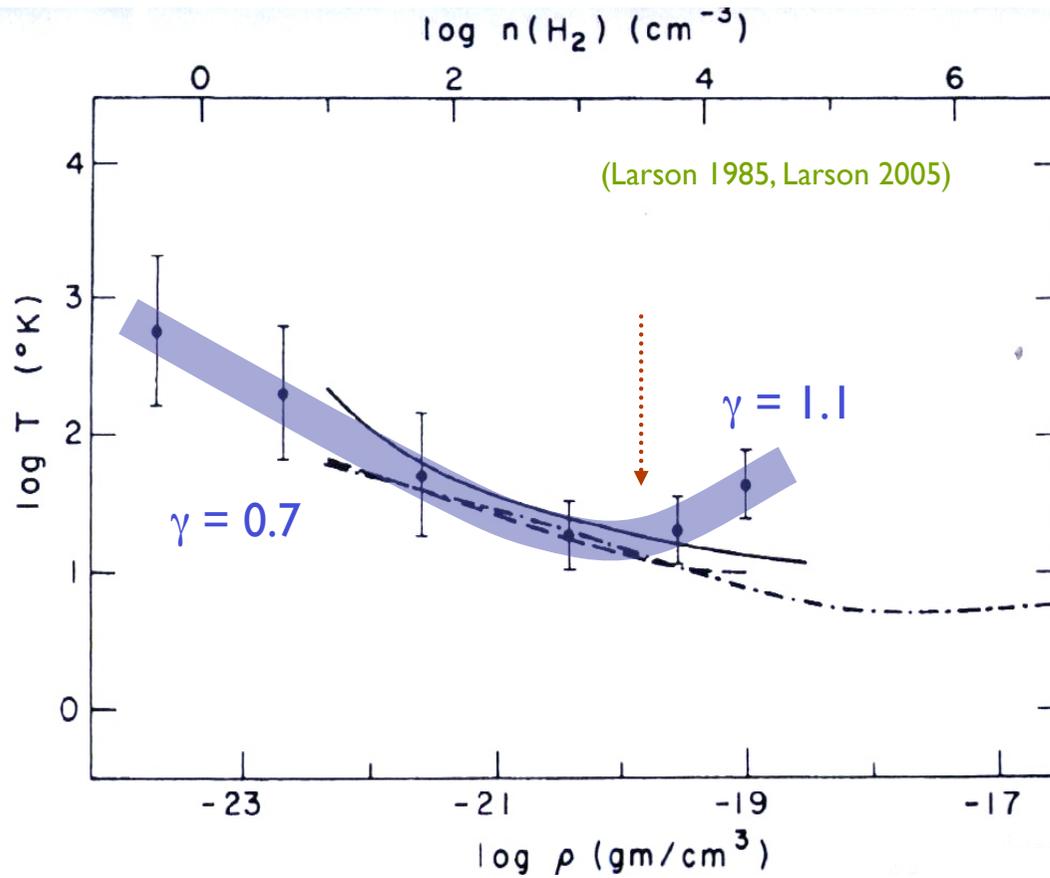
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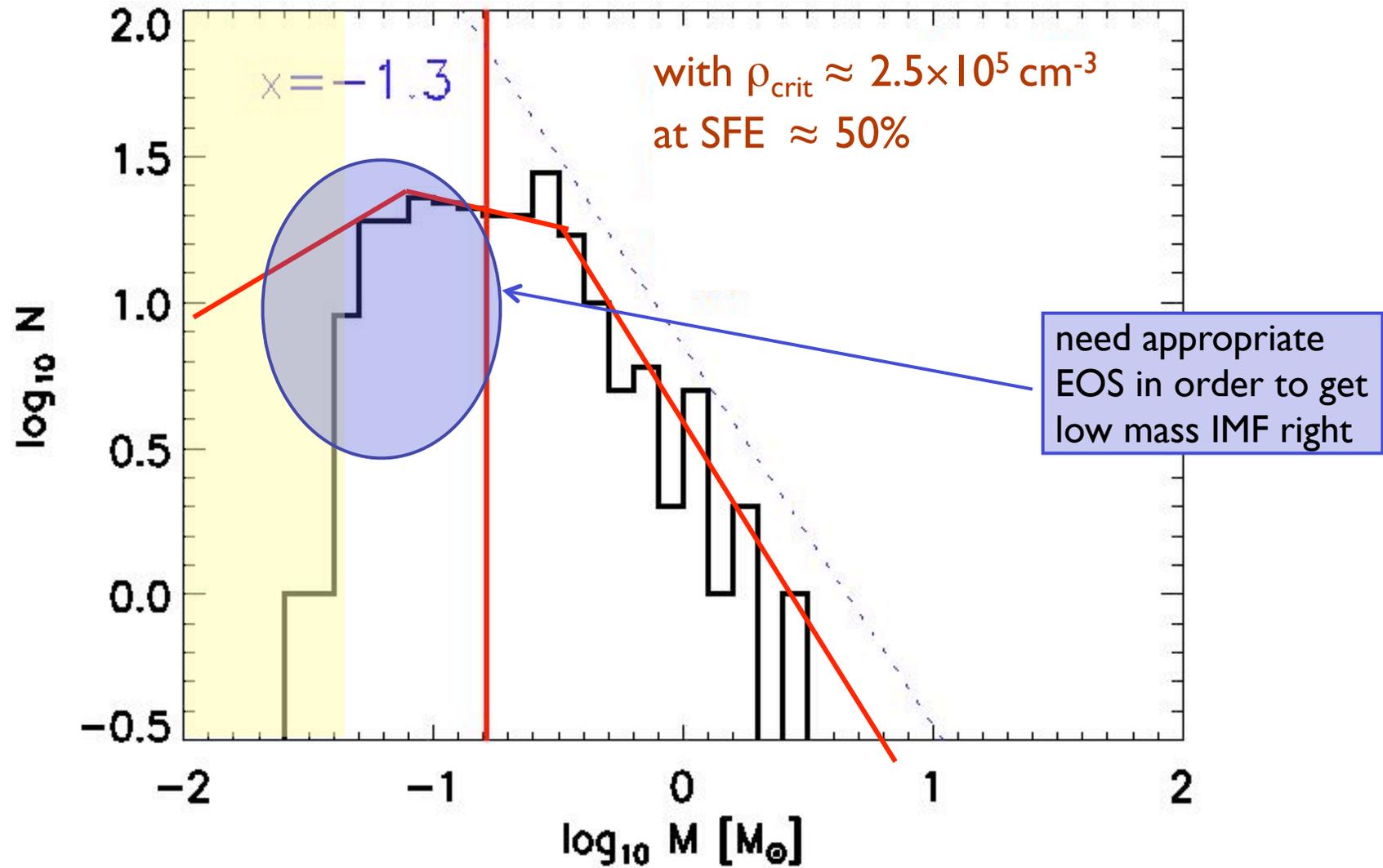


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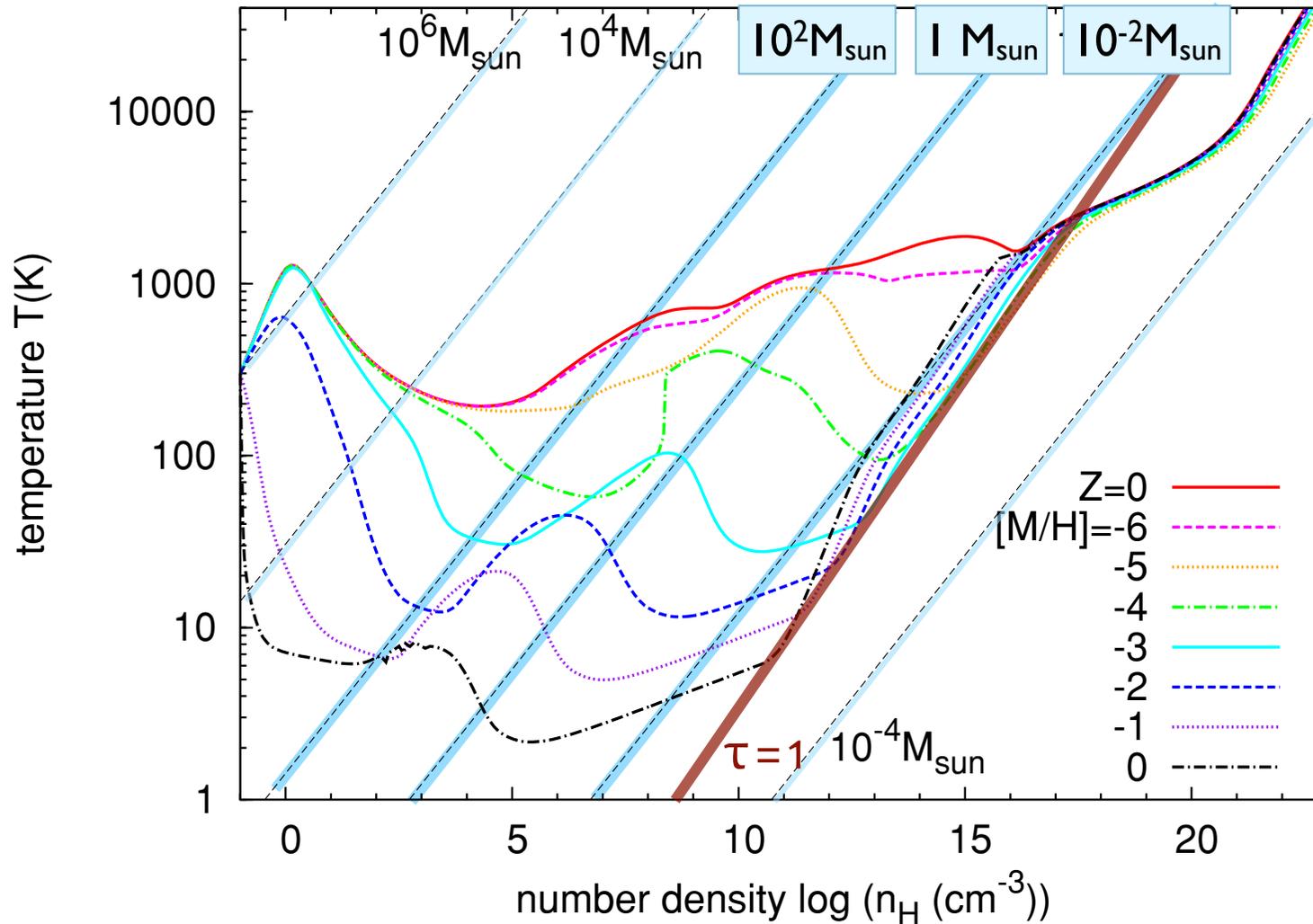
present-day star formation



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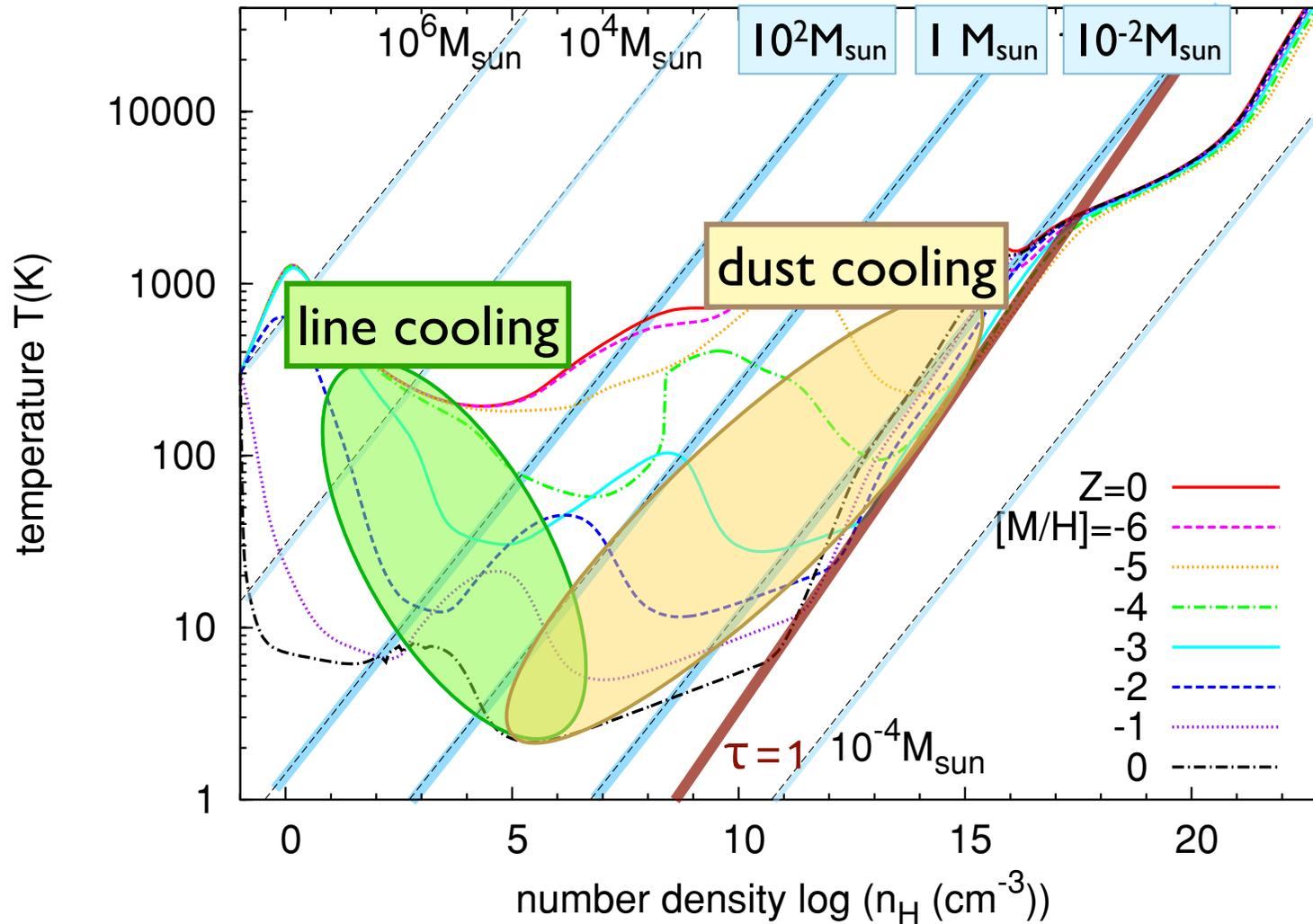


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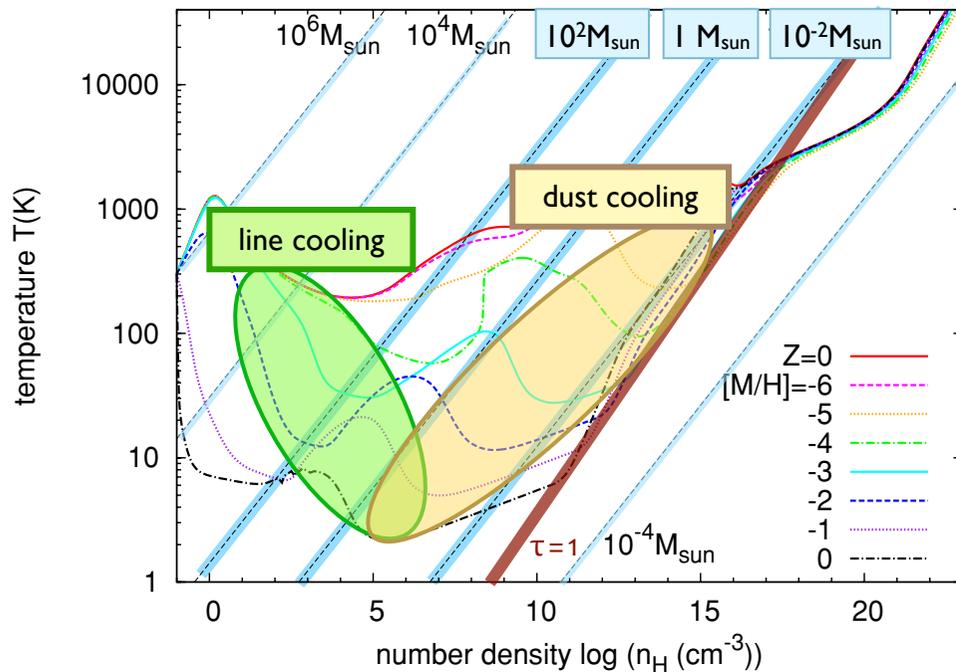
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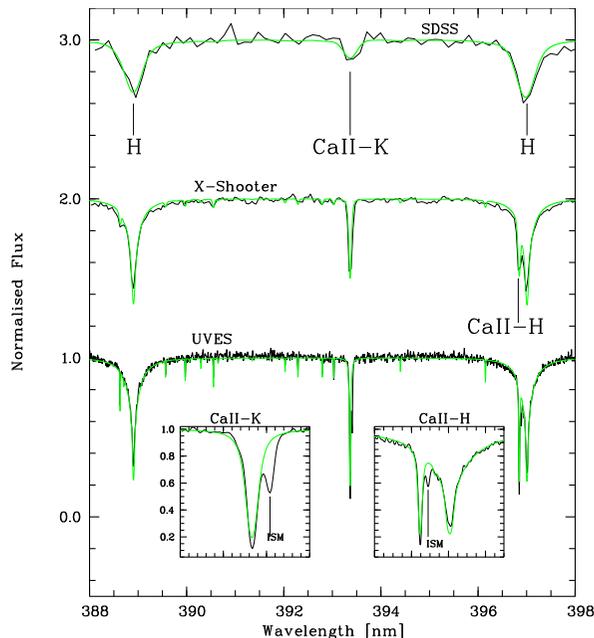
transition: Pop III to Pop II.5



two competing models:

- cooling due to atomic fine-structure lines ($Z > 10^{-3.5} Z_{\text{sun}}$)
- cooling due to coupling between gas and dust ($Z > 10^{-5 \dots -6} Z_{\text{sun}}$)
- which one explains origin of extremely metal-poor stars
NB: lines would only make very massive stars, with $M > \text{few} \times 10 M_{\text{sun}}$.

transition: Pop III to Pop II.5



SDSS J1029151+172927

- is first ultra metal-poor star with $Z \sim 10^{-4.5} Z_{\text{sun}}$ for all metals seen (Fe, C, N, etc.)
[see Caffau et al. 2011]
- this is in regime, where metal-lines cannot provide cooling
[e.g. Schneider et al. 2011, 2012, Klessen et al. 2012]

- new ESO large program to find more of these stars (120h x-shooter, 30h UVES)
[PI E. Caffau]

Element		+3Dcor.	$[X/H]_{\text{1D}}$ +NLTE cor.	+ 3D cor + NLTE cor	N lines	S_{H}	$A(X)_{\odot}$
C	≤ -3.8	≤ -4.5			G-band		8.50
N	≤ -4.1	≤ -5.0			NH-band		7.86
Mg I	-4.71 ± 0.11	-4.68 ± 0.11	-4.52 ± 0.11	-4.49 ± 0.12	5	0.1	7.54
Si I	-4.27	-4.30	-3.93	-3.96	1	0.1	7.52
Ca I	-4.72	-4.82	-4.44	-4.54	1	0.1	6.33
Ca II	-4.81 ± 0.11	-4.93 ± 0.03	-5.02 ± 0.02	-5.15 ± 0.09	3	0.1	6.33
Ti II	-4.75 ± 0.18	-4.83 ± 0.16	-4.76 ± 0.18	-4.84 ± 0.16	6	1.0	4.90
Fe I	-4.73 ± 0.13	-5.02 ± 0.10	-4.60 ± 0.13	-4.89 ± 0.10	43	1.0	7.52
Ni I	-4.55 ± 0.14	-4.90 ± 0.11			10		6.23
Sr II	≤ -5.10	≤ -5.25	≤ -4.94	≤ -5.09	1	0.01	2.92



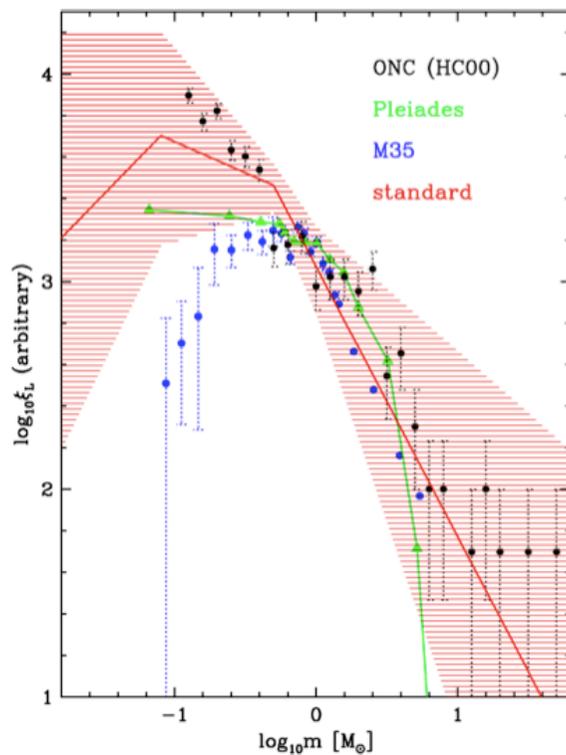
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high-mass star formation

We want to address the following questions:

- how do massive stars (and their associated clusters) form?
- what determines the upper stellar mass limit?
- what is the physics behind observed HII regions?



IMF (Kroupa 2002)



Rosetta nebula (NGC 2237)

(proto)stellar feedback processes

- radiation pressure on dust particles
- ionizing radiation
- stellar winds
- jets and outflows



ionization

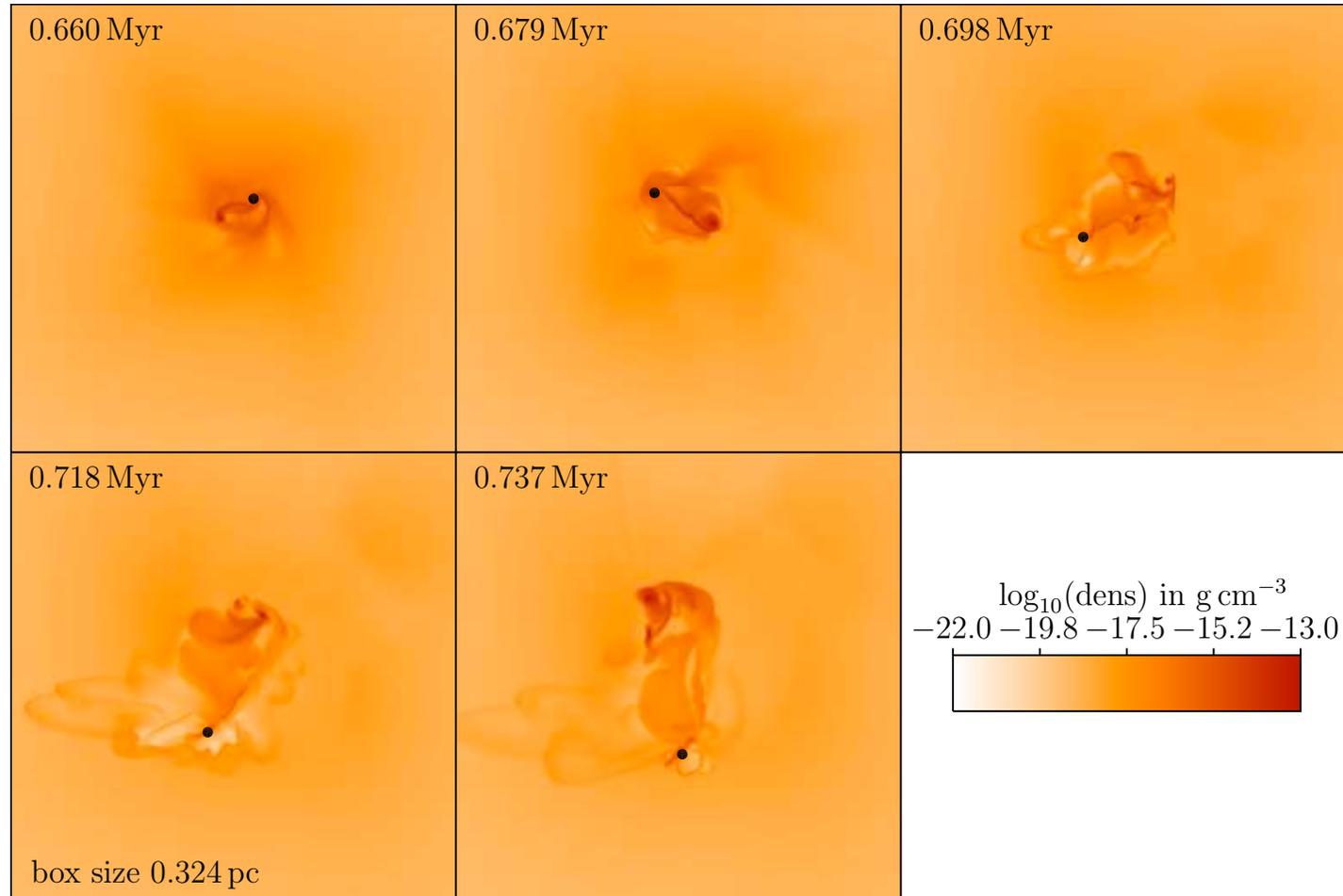
- few numerical studies so far (e.g. Dale 2007, Gritschneider et al. 2009)
- detailed collapse calculations with ionizing and non-ionizing feedback needed (see also work by Kuiper et al. 2011, 2012)
- HII regions around massive stars are directly observable
--> direct comparison between theory and observations

numerical approach

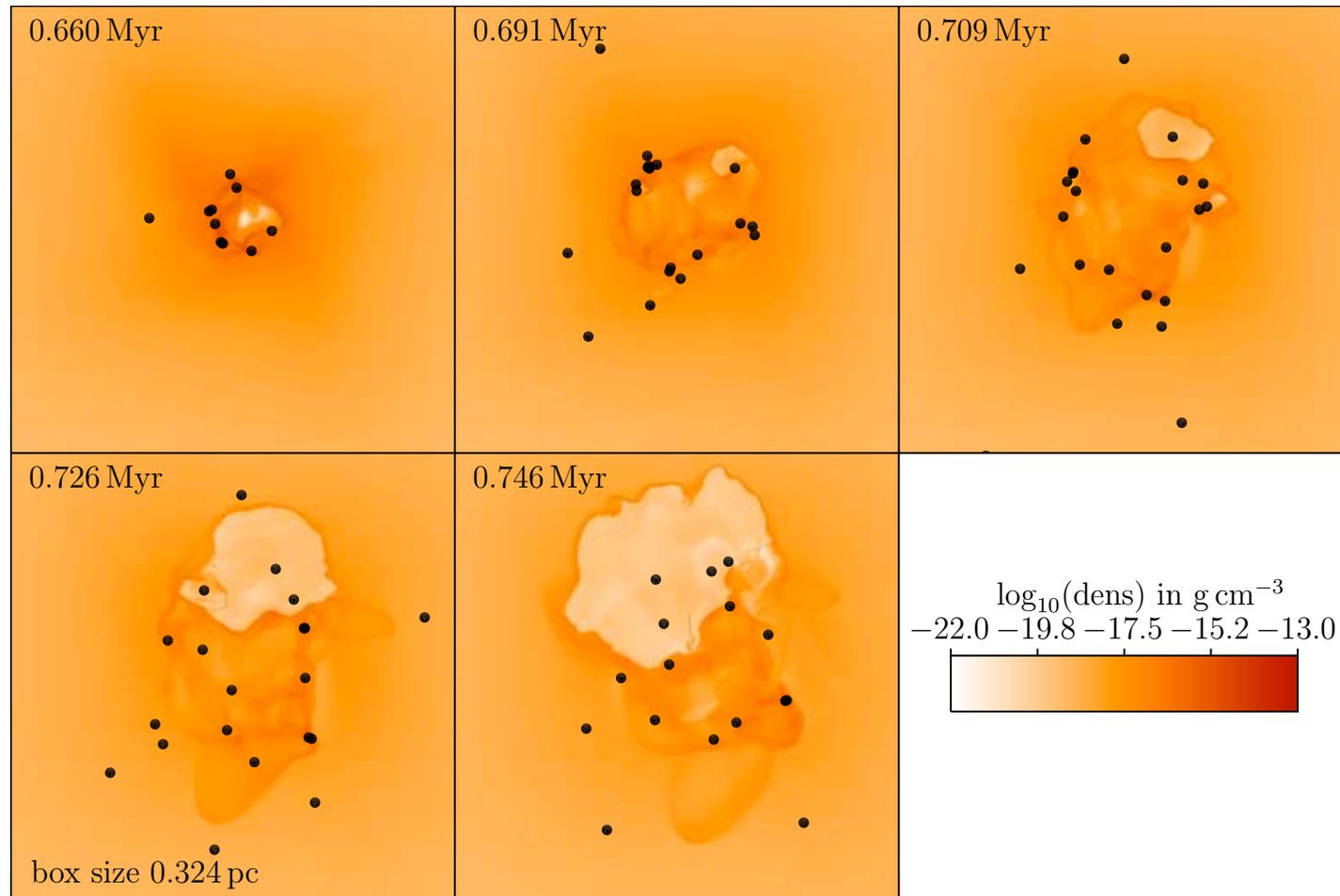
- focus on collapse of individual high-mass cores...
 - massive core with $1,000 M_{\odot}$
 - Bonnor-Ebert type density profile
(flat inner core with 0.5 pc and $\rho \sim r^{-3/2}$ further out)
 - initial $m=2$ perturbation, rotation with $\beta = 0.05$
 - sink particle with radius 600 AU and threshold density of $7 \times 10^{-16} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$
 - cell size 100 AU

numerical approach

- method:
 - FLASH with ionizing and non-ionizing radiation using raytracing based on hybrid-characteristics
 - protostellar model from Hosokawa & Omukai
 - rate equation for ionization fraction
 - relevant heating and cooling processes
 - some models include magnetic fields
 - *first 3D MHD calculations that consistently treat both ionizing and non-ionizing radiation in the context of high-mass star formation*

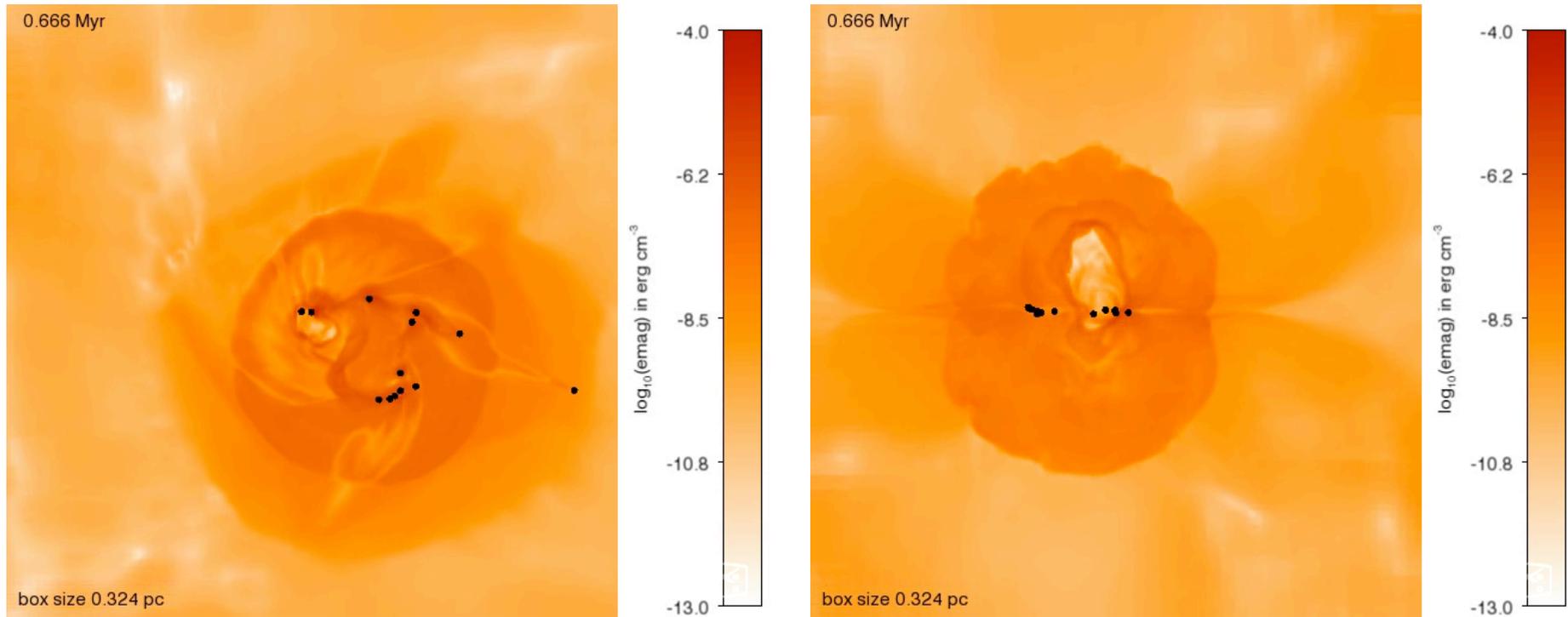


- disk is gravitationally unstable and fragments
- we suppress secondary sink formation by “Jeans heating”
- H II region is shielded effectively by dense filaments
- ionization feedback does not cut off accretion!



- all protostars accrete from common gas reservoir
- accretion flow suppresses expansion of ionized bubble
- cluster shows “fragmentation-induced starvation”
- halting of accretion flow allows bubble to expand

influence of B on disk evolution



Peters et al. (2011)

in disk around high-mass stars, fragmentation is reduced but rarely fully suppressed
see Peters et al. (2011), Hennebelle et al. (2011), Seifried et al. (2011)

interplay of ionization and B-field

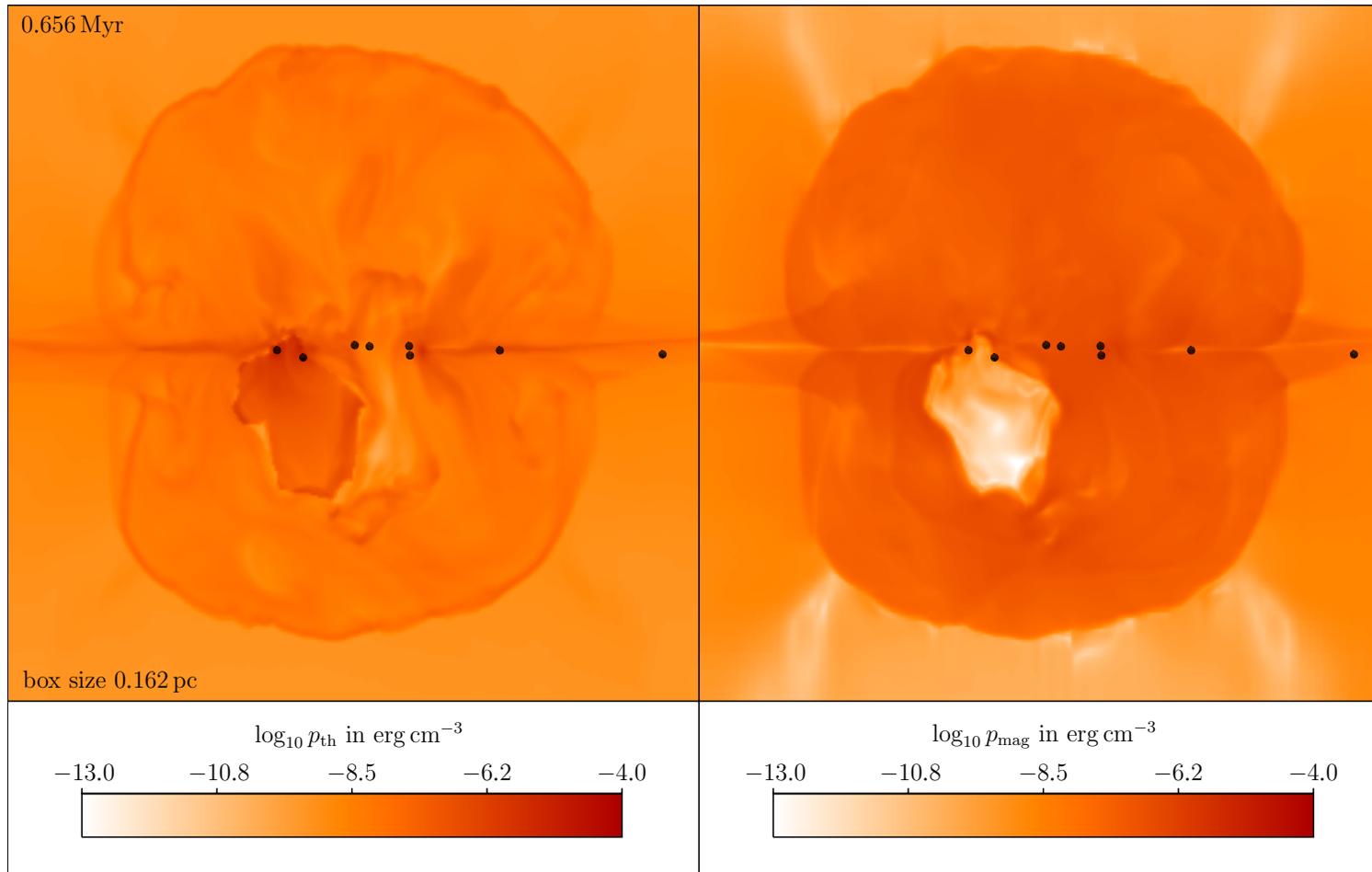
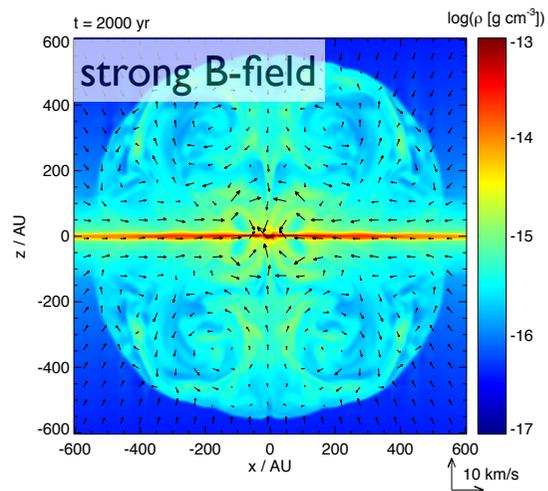
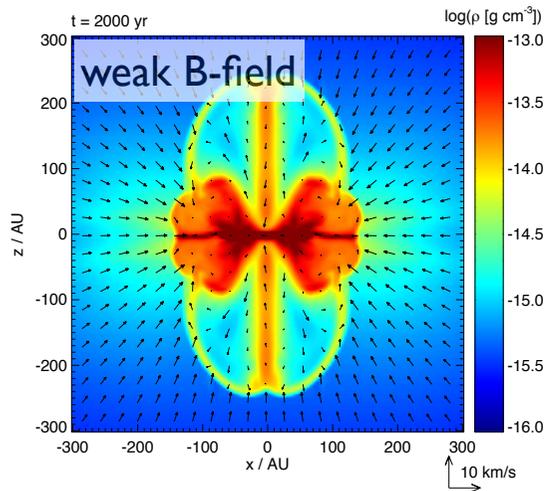
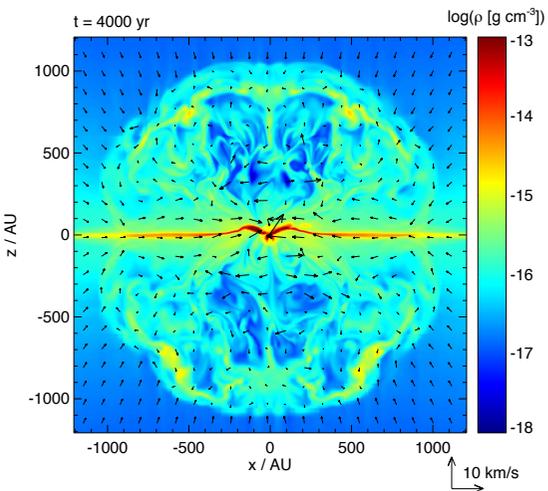
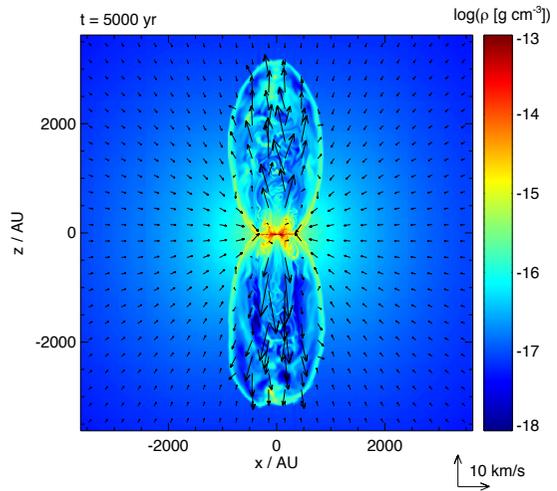


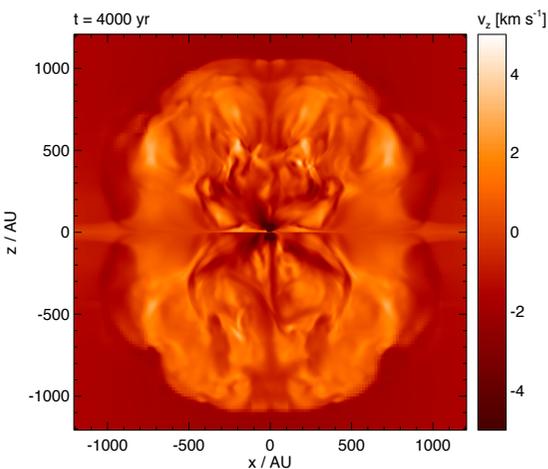
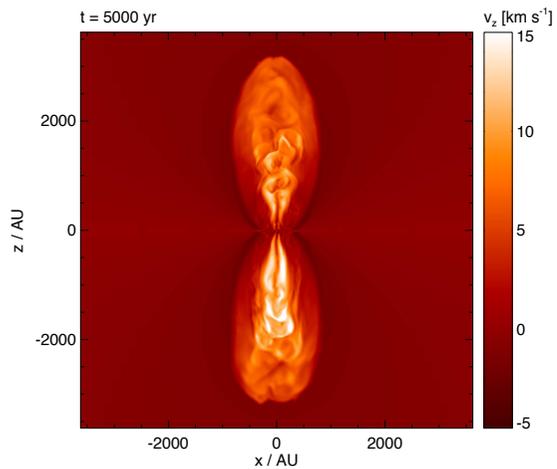
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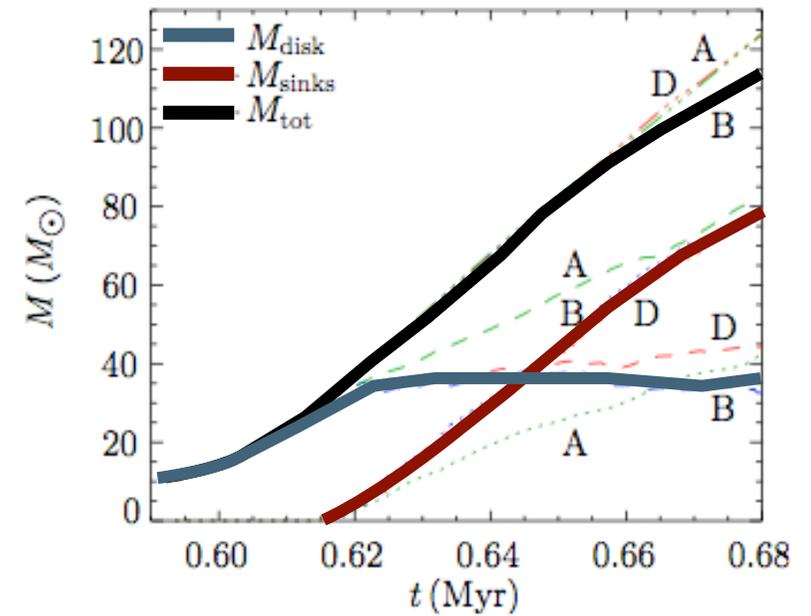
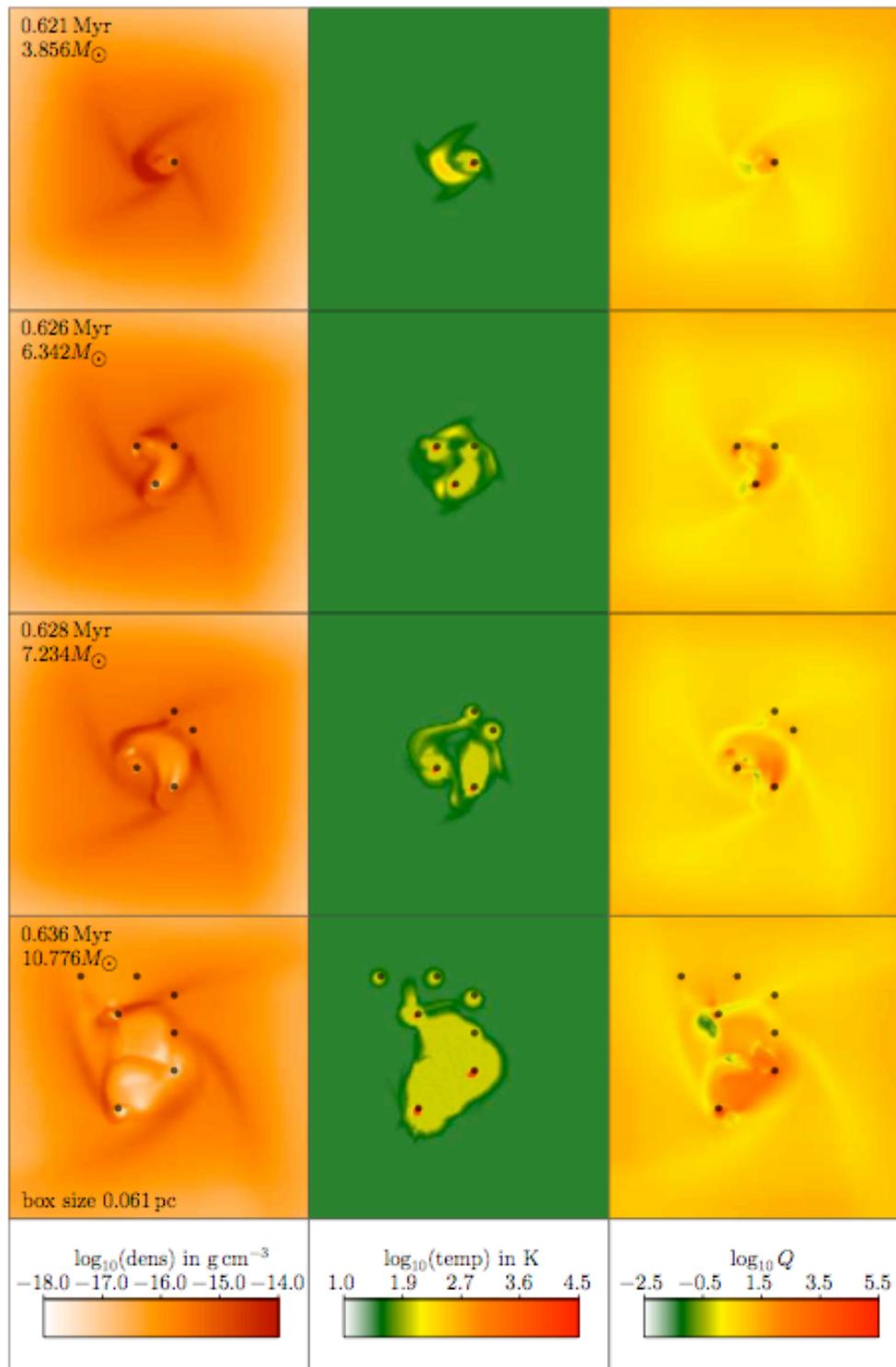
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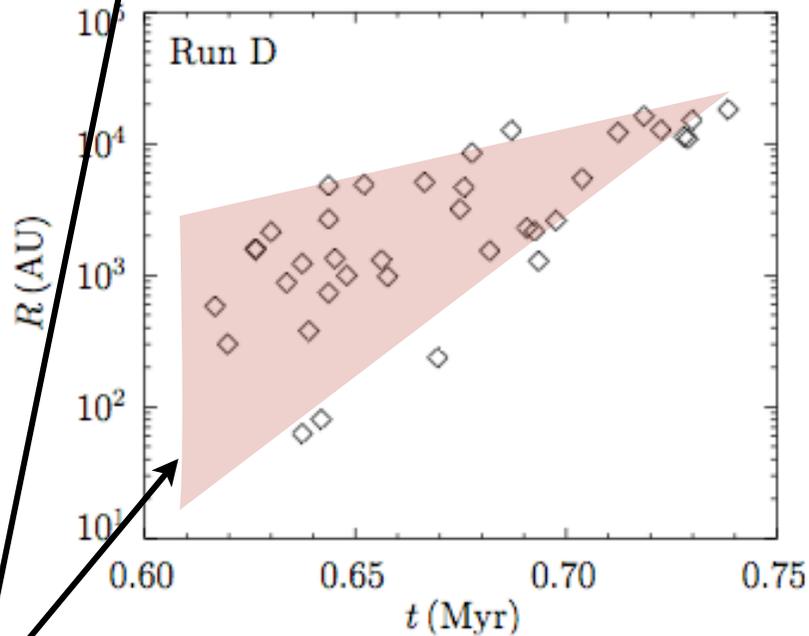
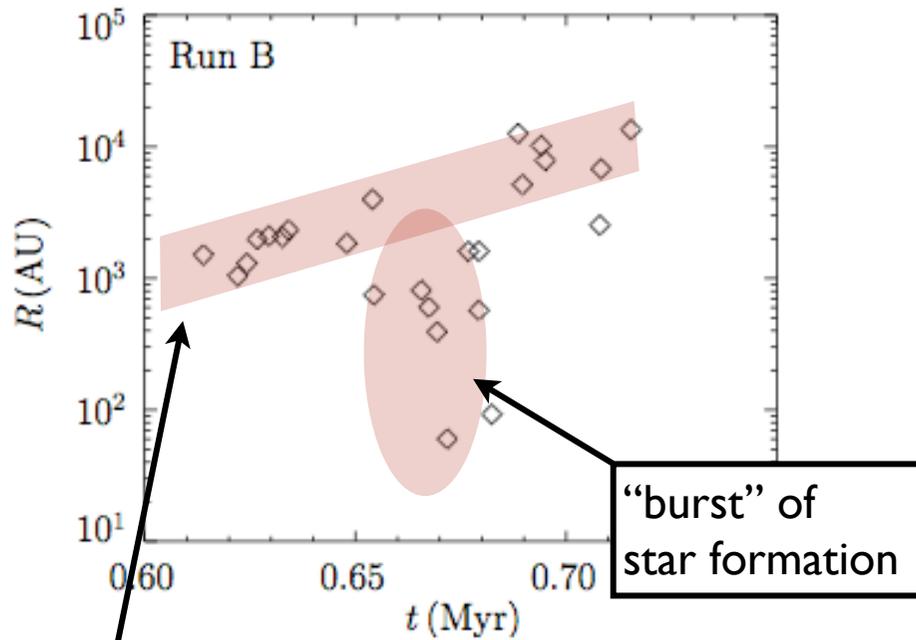
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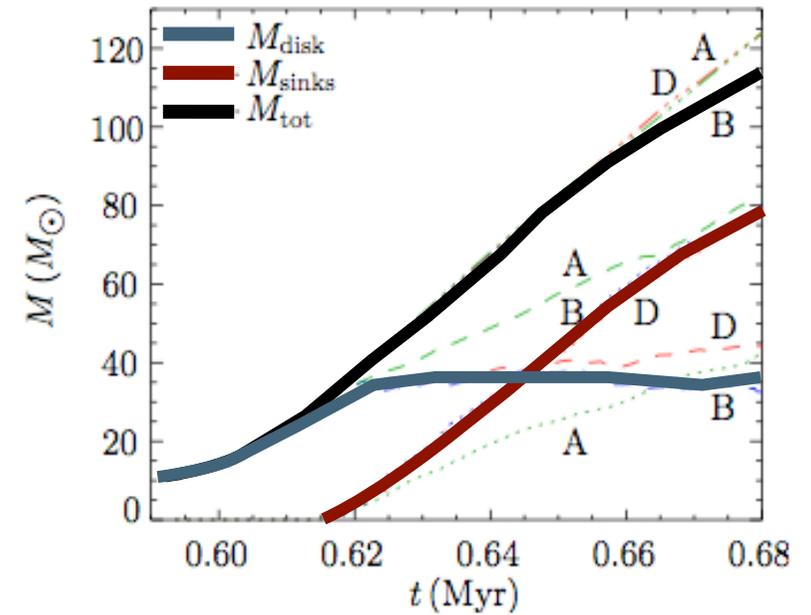
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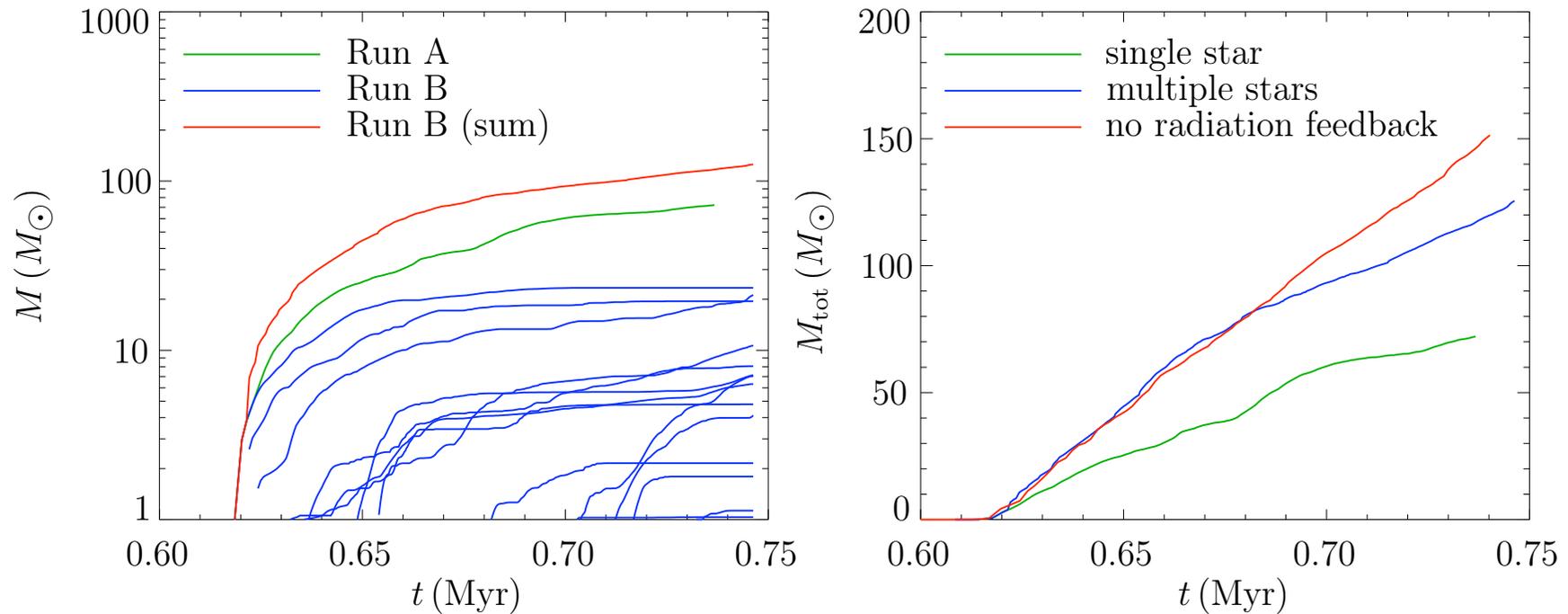
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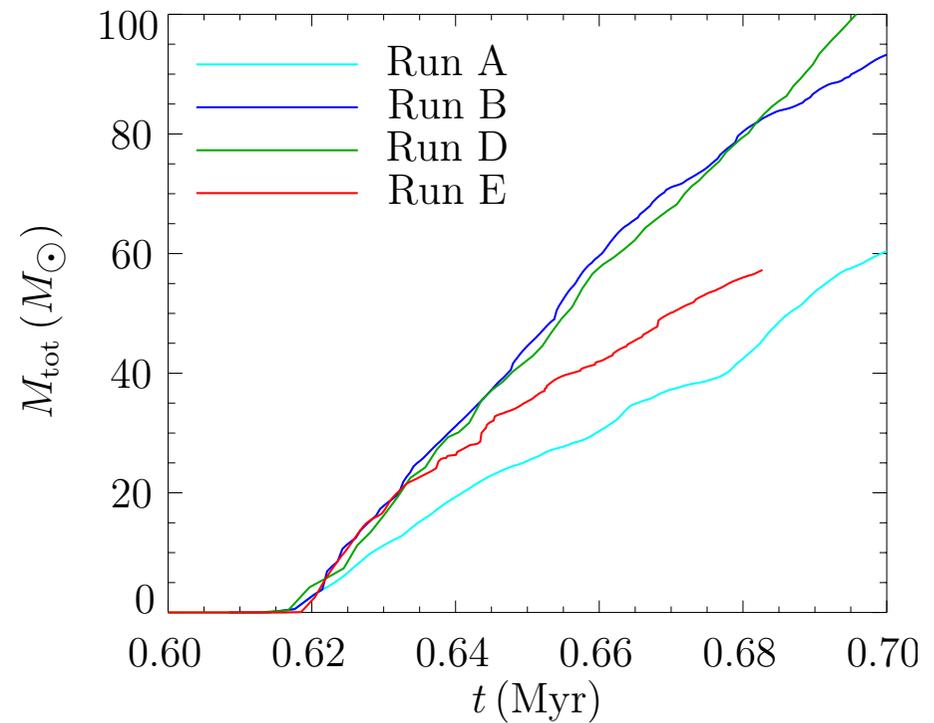
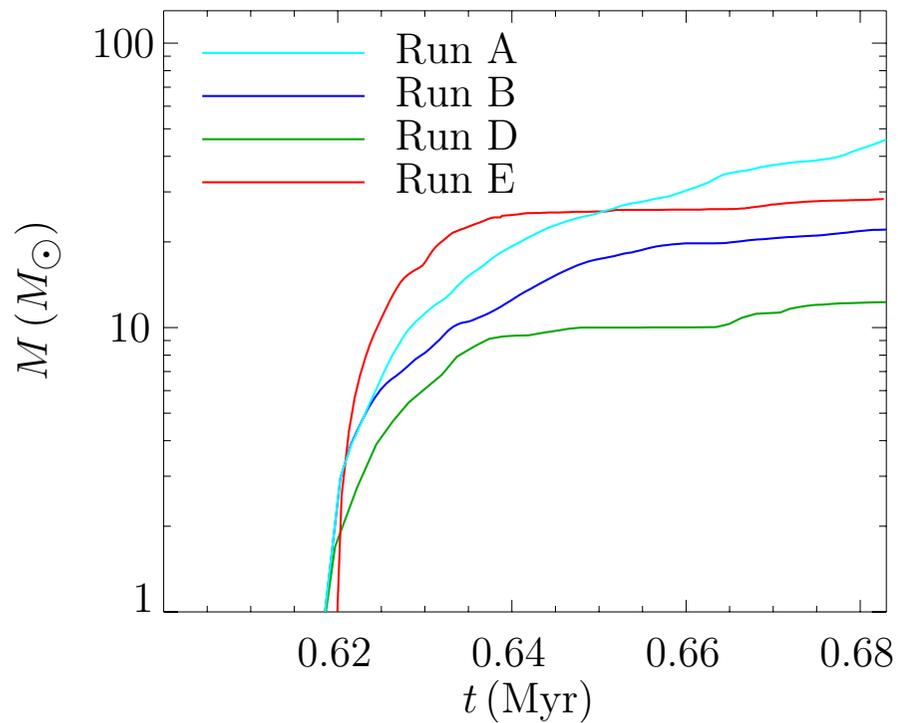
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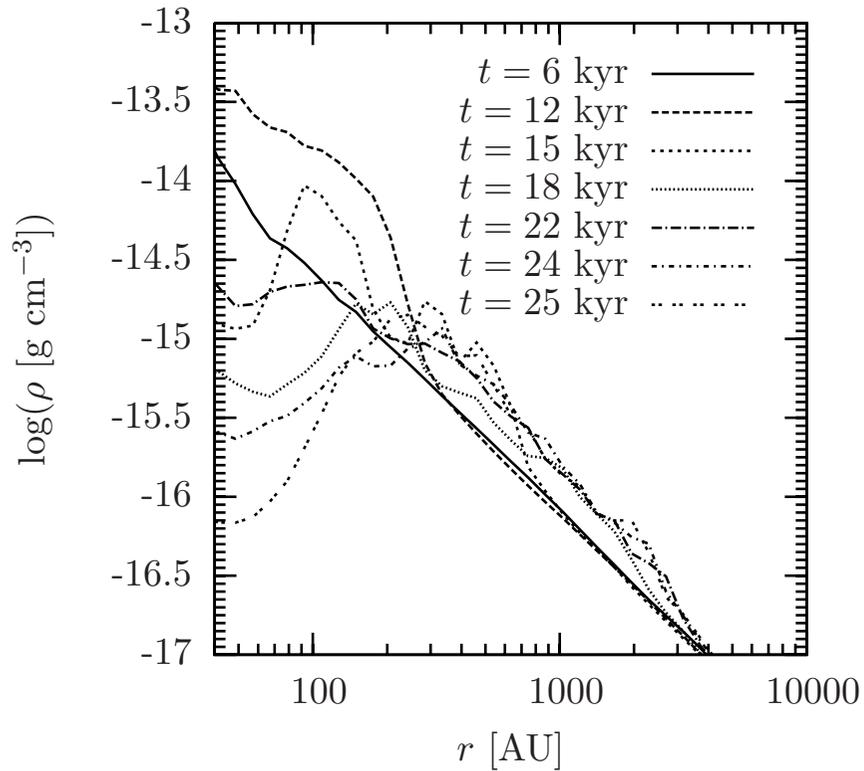


- compare with control run without radiation feedback
- total accretion rate does not change with accretion heating
- expansion of ionized bubble causes turn-off
- no triggered star formation by expanding bubble

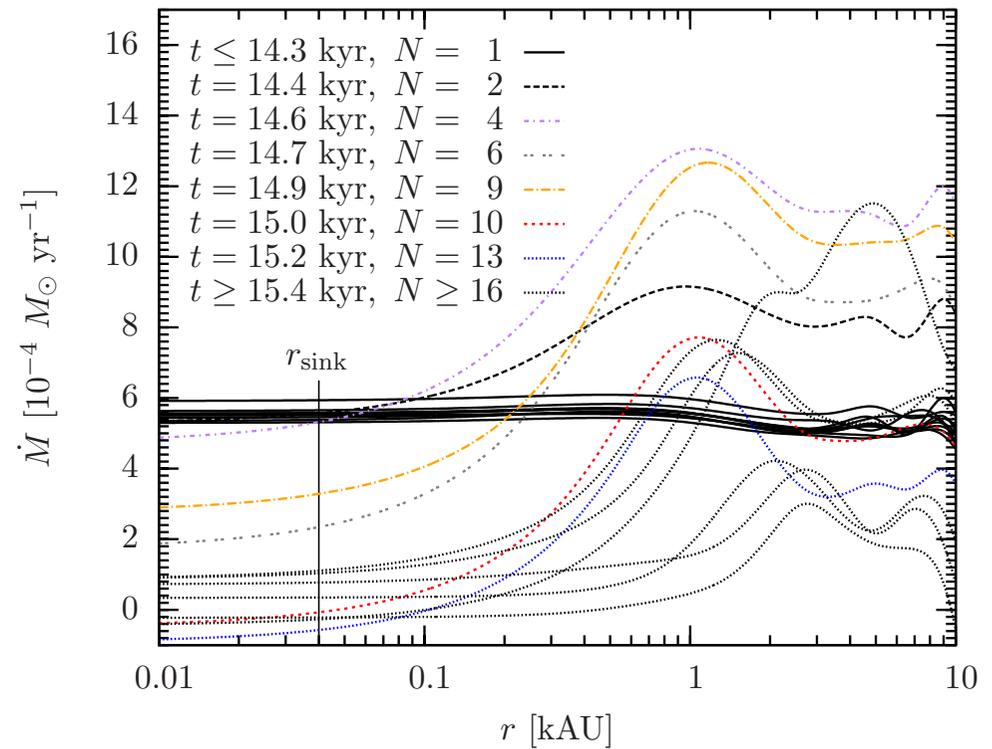


- magnetic fields lead to weaker fragmentation
- central star becomes more massive (magnetic breaking)

Fragmentation-induced starvation in a complex cluster



gas density as function of radius
at different times



mass flow towards the center as
function of radius at different times



Summary



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- star formation is a complex multi-scale, multi-physics process, where different processes ALL contribute to the result
(it is not possible to single out individual processes)
- initial conditions are important and influence properties of forming star clusters
(IMF, binarity, spatial distribution, kinematics, age spread, etc.)
- thermodynamics is important
(determines the dynamic response of the gas to “external” perturbations, say self-gravity, turbulence)
- (radiative) feedback influences IMF, but probably to a lesser degree than dynamics



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