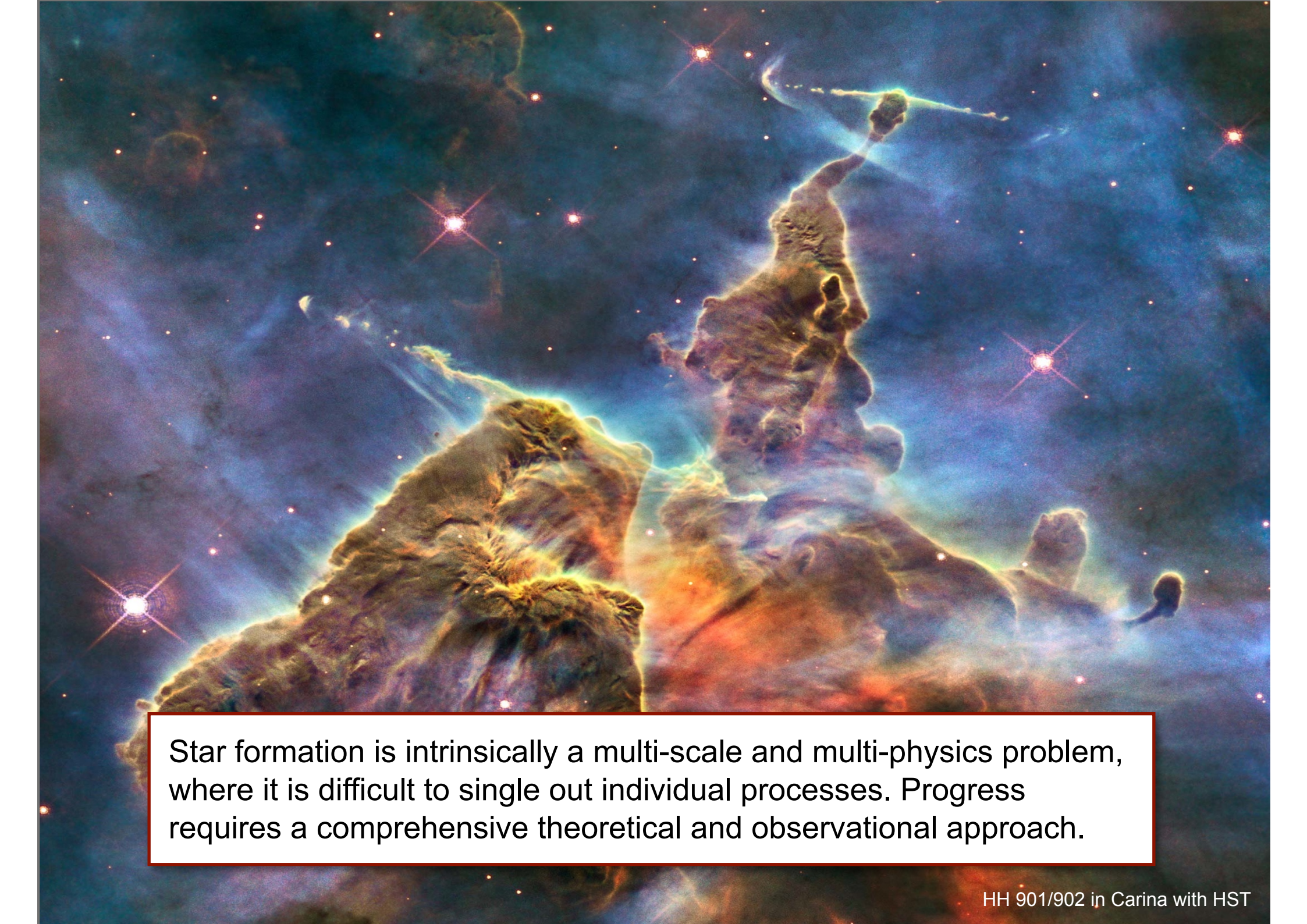




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Star formation is intrinsically a multi-scale and multi-physics problem, where it is difficult to single out individual processes. Progress requires a comprehensive theoretical and observational approach.

Stellar Initial Mass Function

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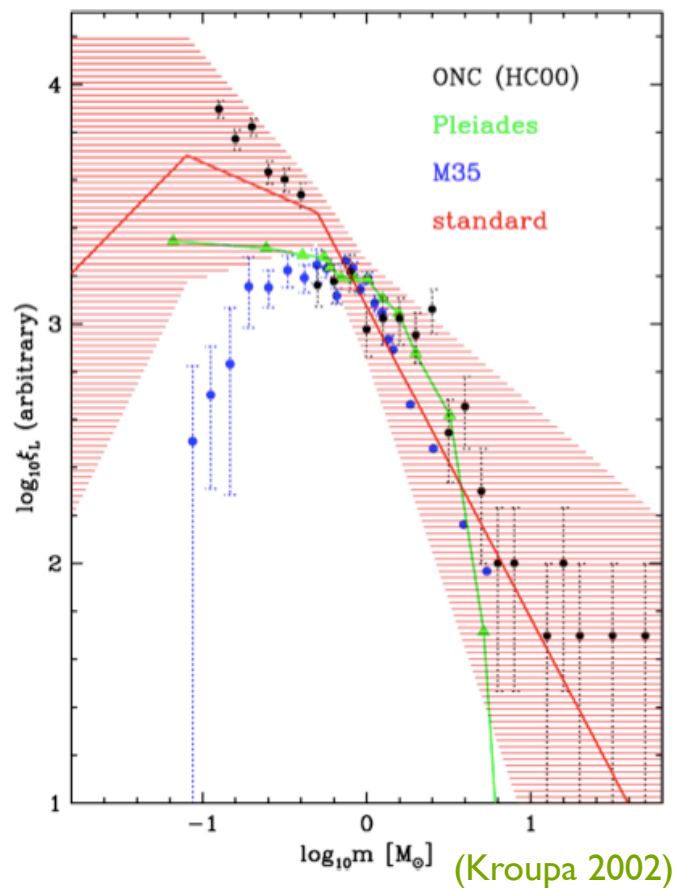


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stellar mass function

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



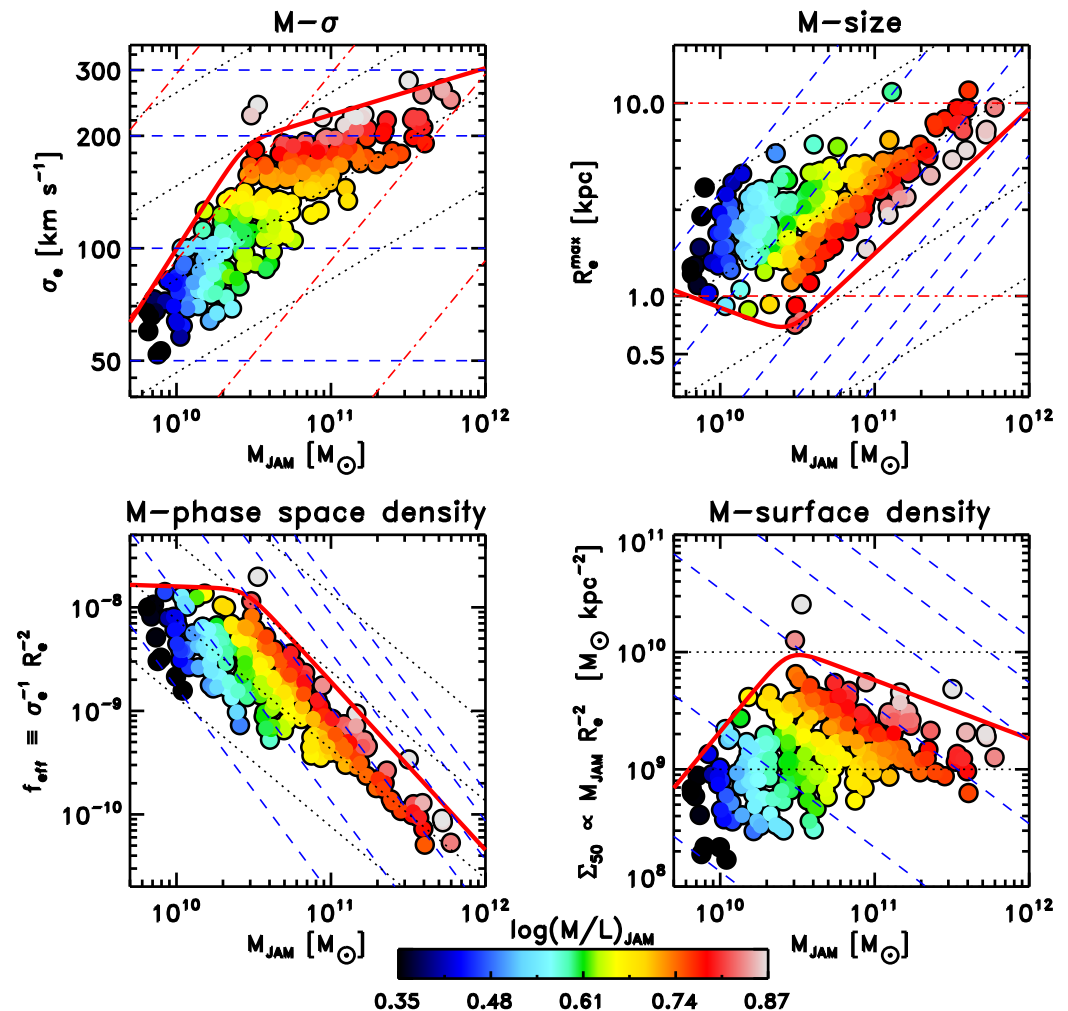
Orion, NGC 3603, 30 Doradus
(Zinnecker & Yorke 2007)

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

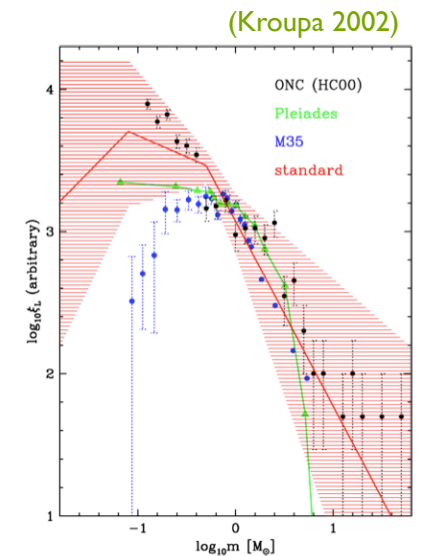
inferred excess of low-mass stars compared to Kroupa IMF



(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)

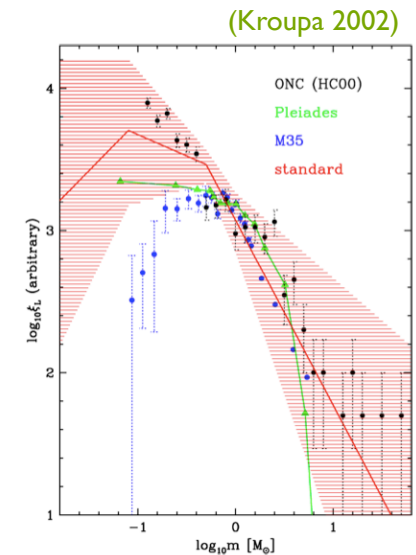
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example: model of Orion cloud

„model“ of Orion cloud:

15.000.000 SPH particles,

$10^4 M_{\text{sun}}$ in 10 pc, mass resolution

$0,02 M_{\text{sun}}$, forms ~ 2.500

„stars“ (sink particles)

isothermal EOS, top bound, bottom unbound

has clustered as well as distributed „star“ formation

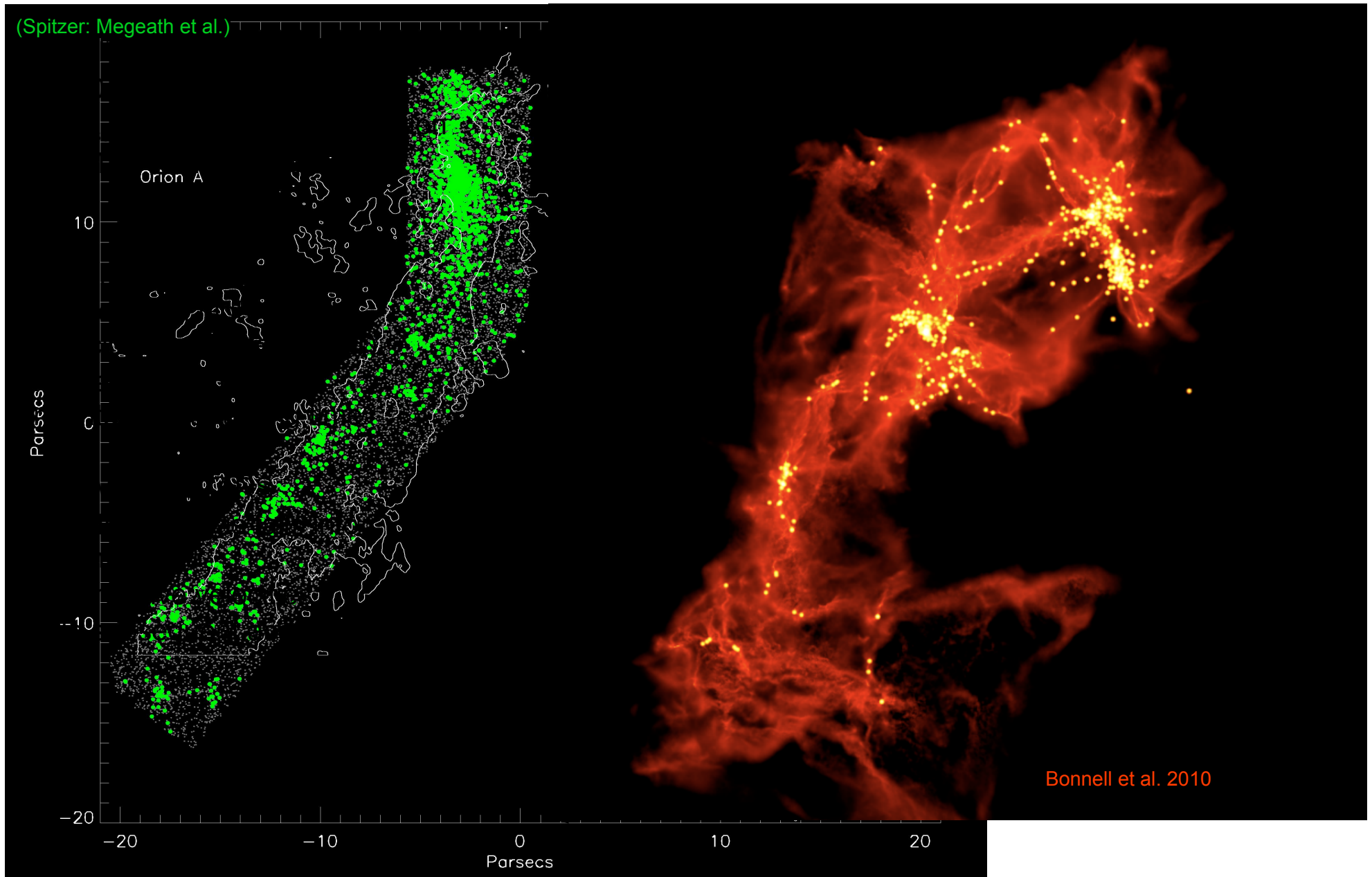
efficiency varies from 1% to 20%

develops full IMF

(distribution of sink particle masses)

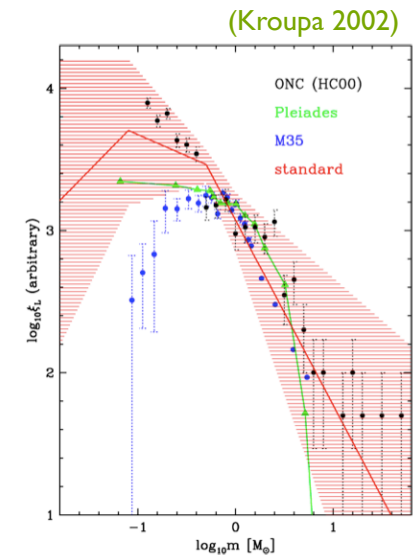


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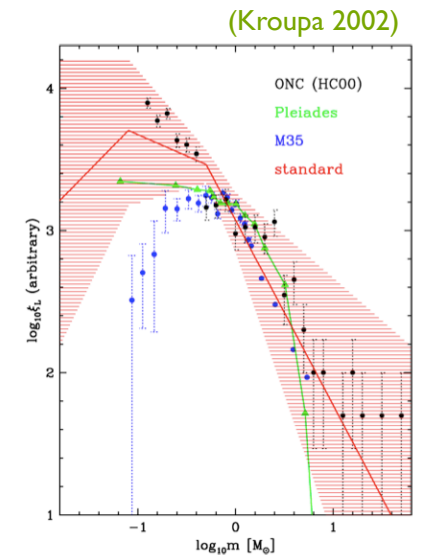
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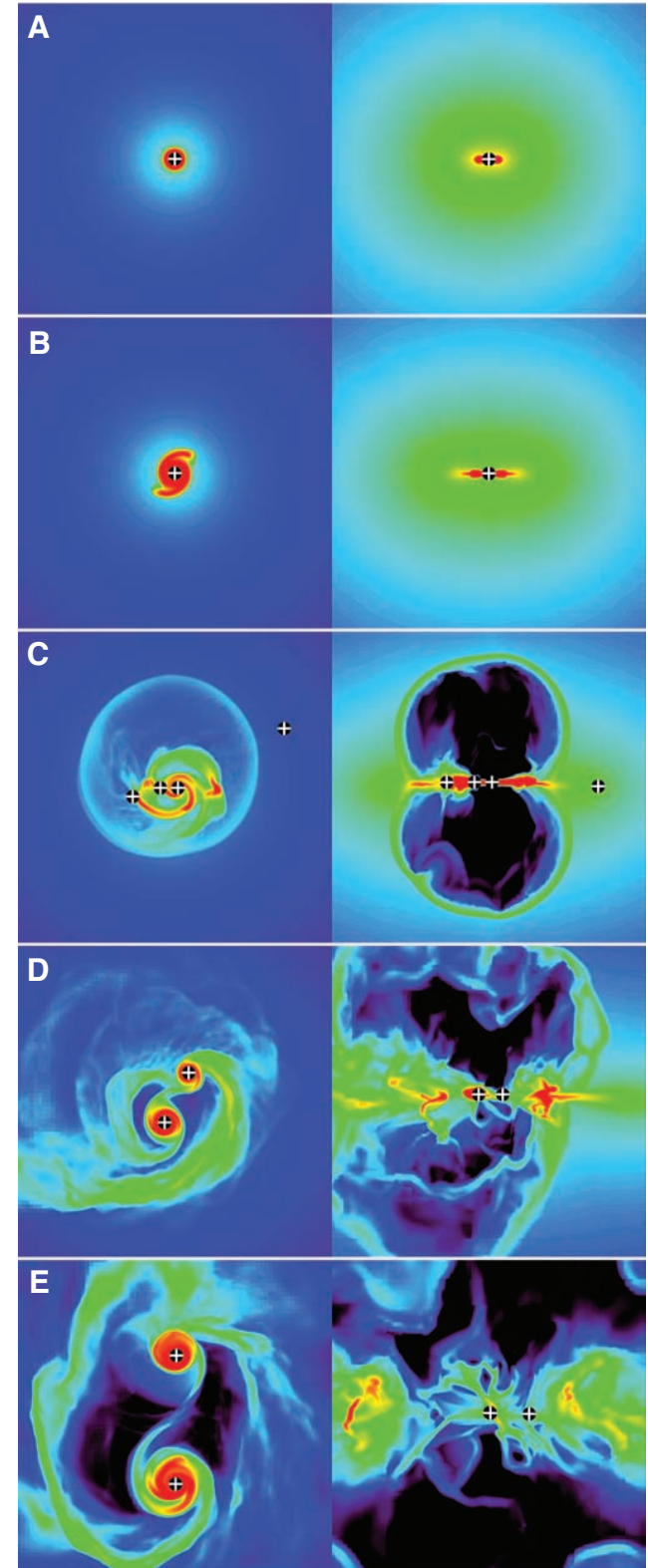
feedback

- star formation has many many feedback loops
 - mechanical 1: protostellar outflows, stellar winds
 - > *lots of momentum and kinetic energy input*
 - mechanical 2: supernovae
 - > *key driver of ISM turbulence? triggered SF?*
 - radiative 1: thermal energy from stars
 - > *local heating, changes in IMF?*
 - radiative 2: ionizing radiation
 - > *expanding HII regions driving turbulence? local termination of SF?*
 - chemical: enrichment by massive stars
 - > *changes heating and cooling, influence on collapse & fragmentation*
 - more indirect processes
 - > *cosmic rays, global interstellar radiation field, chemical*
 - AGN feedback



Rosetta nebula (NGC 2237)

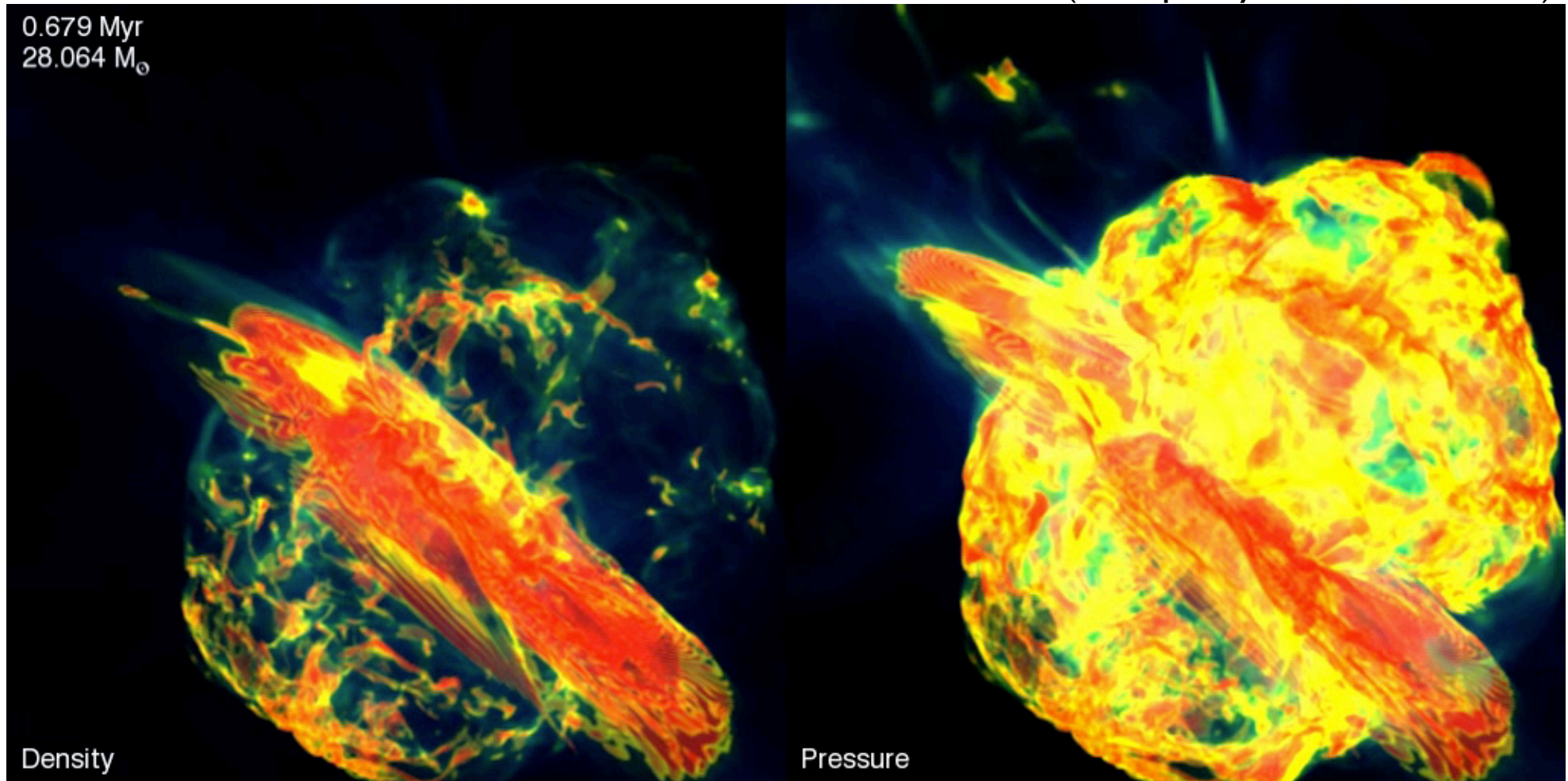
Fig. 1. Snapshots of the simulation at (A) 17,500 years, (B) 25,000 years, (C) 34,000 years, (D) 41,700 years, and (E) 55,900 years. In each panel, the left image shows column density perpendicular to the rotation axis in a $(3000 \text{ AU})^2$ region; the right image shows volume density in a $(3000 \text{ AU})^2$ slice along the rotation axis. The color scales are logarithmic (black at the minimum, red at the maximum), from 10^0 to $10^{2.5} \text{ g cm}^{-2}$ on the left and 10^{-18} to $10^{-14} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ on the right. Plus signs indicate the projected positions of stars. See figs. S1 to S3 and movie S1 for additional images.



radiative feedback does *not*
limit disk accretion (radiation
modeled as radiation pressure)
(example by Krumholz et al. 2009)

ionizing feedback with B-fields:

(example by Peters et al. 2011)

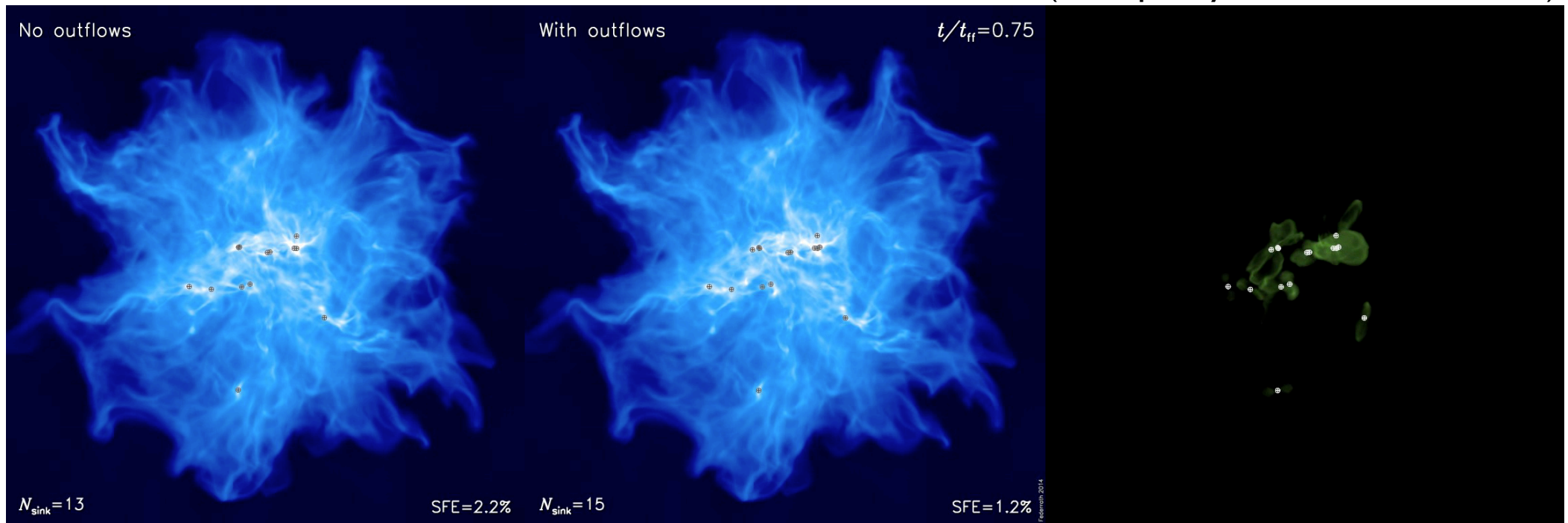


Peters et al. (2011)

in disk around high-mass stars, *fragmentation is reduced (by factor of 2) but rarely fully suppressed*, see Peters et al. (2011), Hennebelle et al. (2011), Seifried et al. (2011)

protostellar outflows in cluster

(example by Federrath et al. 2014)



Federrath et al. (2014, ApJ, to be submitted soon)

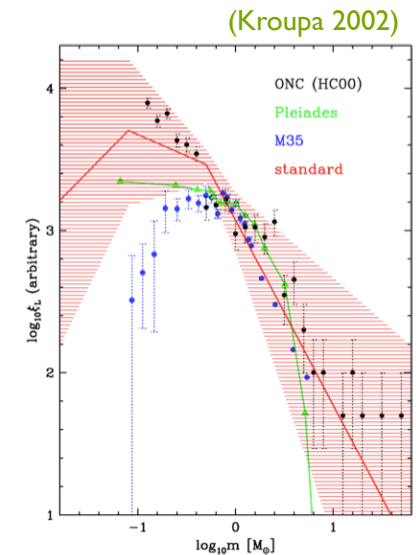
outflows disrupt filaments and increase the level of fragmentation

—> *stellar masses get smaller by factor of 1/3*

(also Li & Nakamura 2006, Li et al. 2010, Nakamura & Li 2007, 2011, 2014, Wang et al. 2010, Carroll et al. 2010, Cunningham et al. 2011, Hansen et al. 2012)

stellar mass function

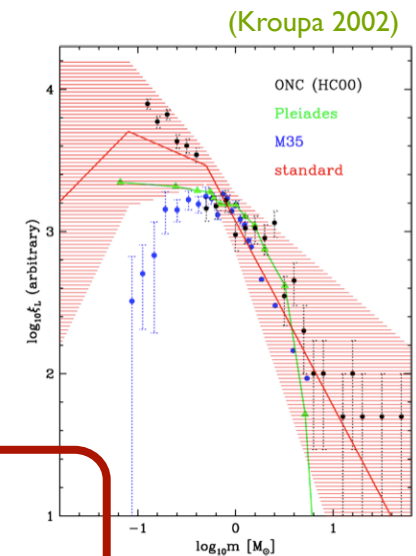
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application to early star formation



thermodynamics & fragmentation

degree of fragmentation depends on *EOS!*

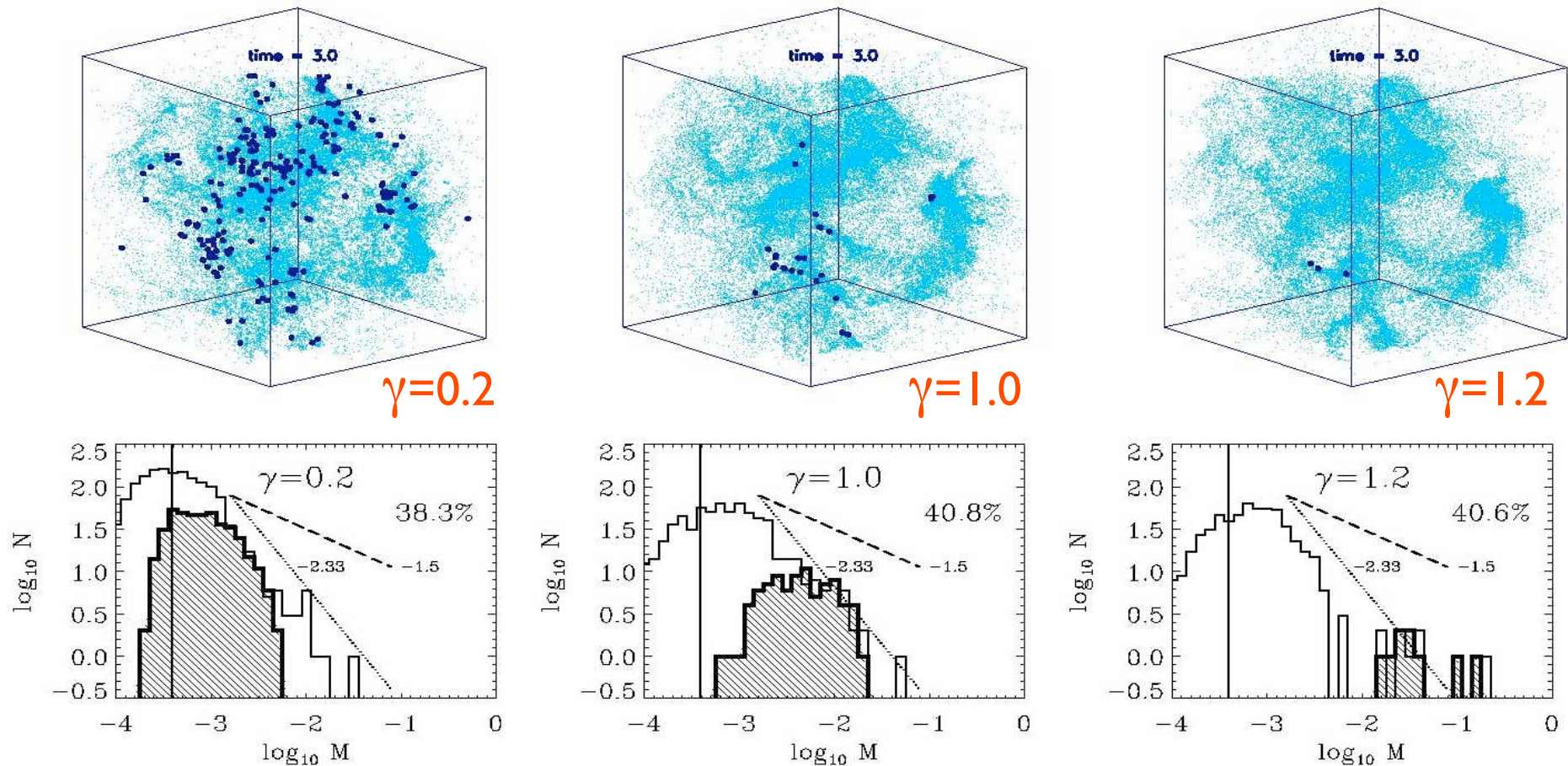
polytropic EOS: $p \propto \rho^\gamma$

$\gamma < 1$: dense cluster of low-mass stars

$\gamma > 1$: isolated high-mass stars

(see Li et al. 2003; also Kawachi & Hanawa 1998, Larson 2003)

dependency on EOS

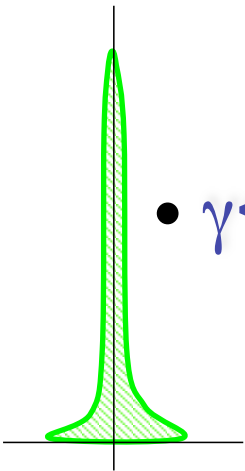


for $\gamma < 1$ fragmentation is enhanced \rightarrow *cluster of low-mass stars*
for $\gamma > 1$ it is suppressed \rightarrow *isolated massive stars*

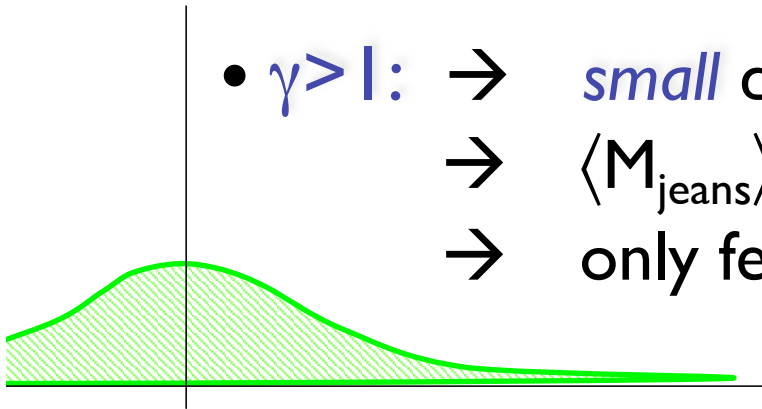
how does that work?

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

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

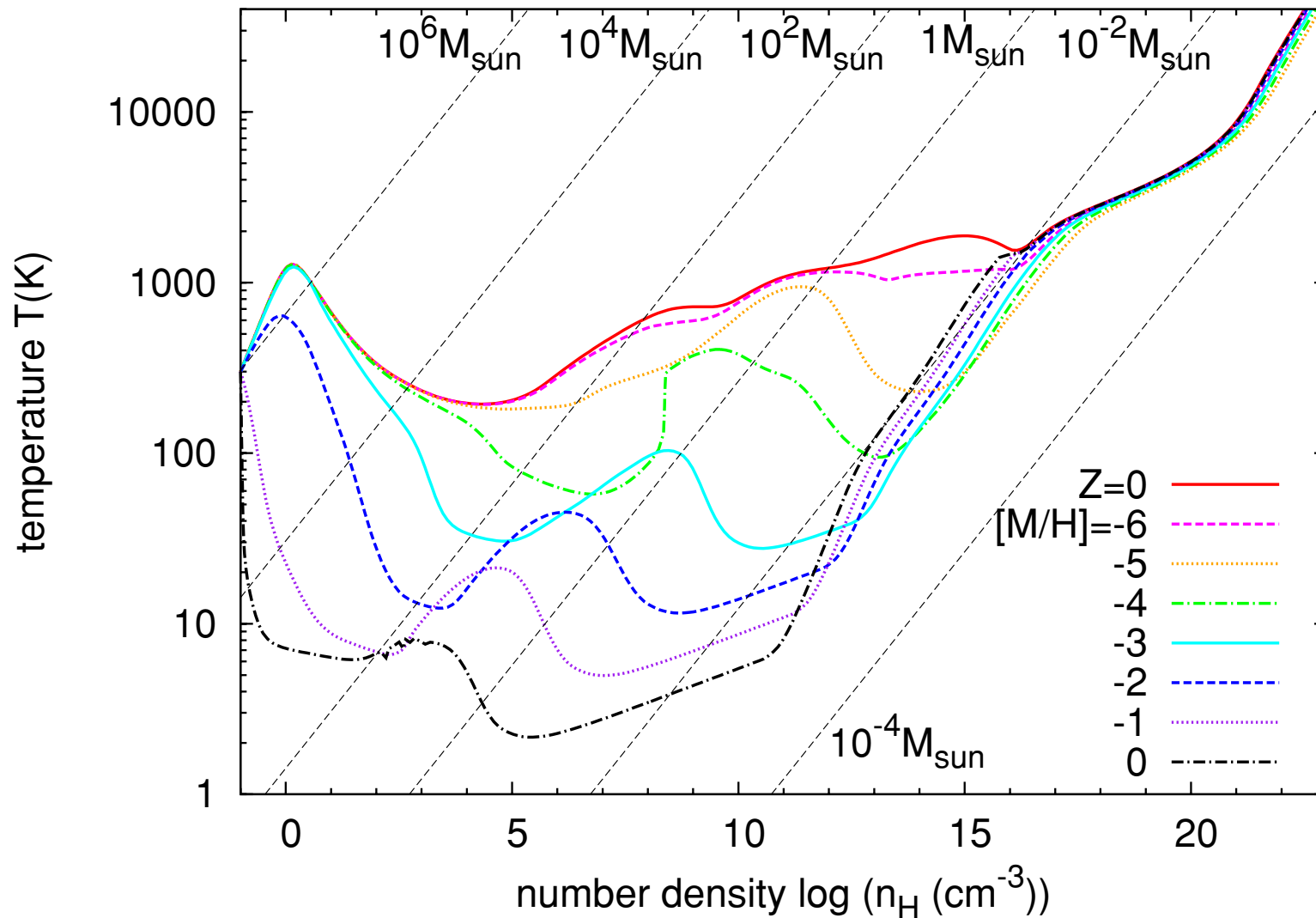


- $\gamma < 1$: \rightarrow *large* density excursion for given pressure
 - \rightarrow $\langle M_{\text{jeans}} \rangle$ becomes small
 - \rightarrow number of fluctuations with $M > M_{\text{jeans}}$ is large



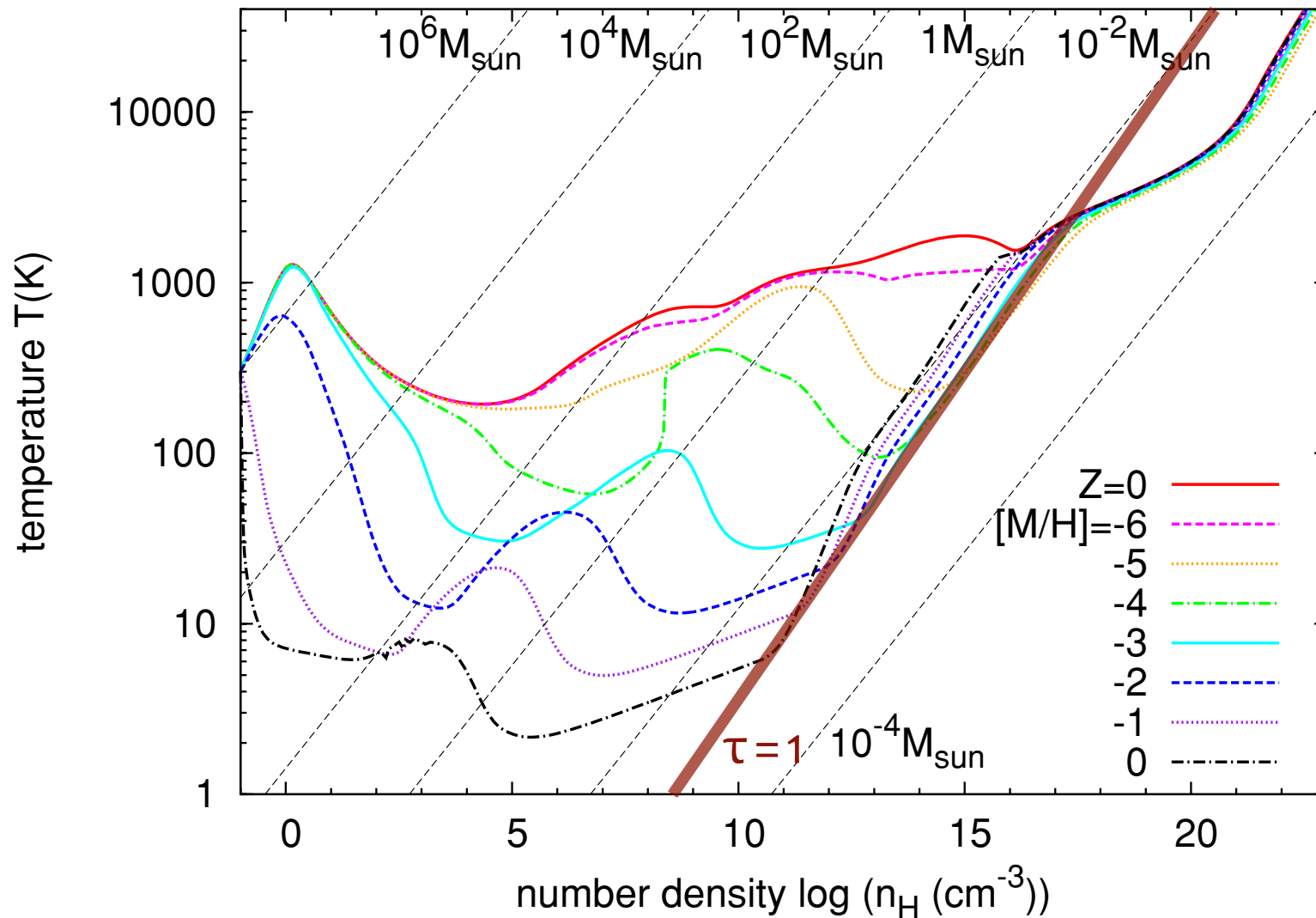
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 - \rightarrow only few and massive clumps exceed M_{jeans}

EOS as function of metallicity



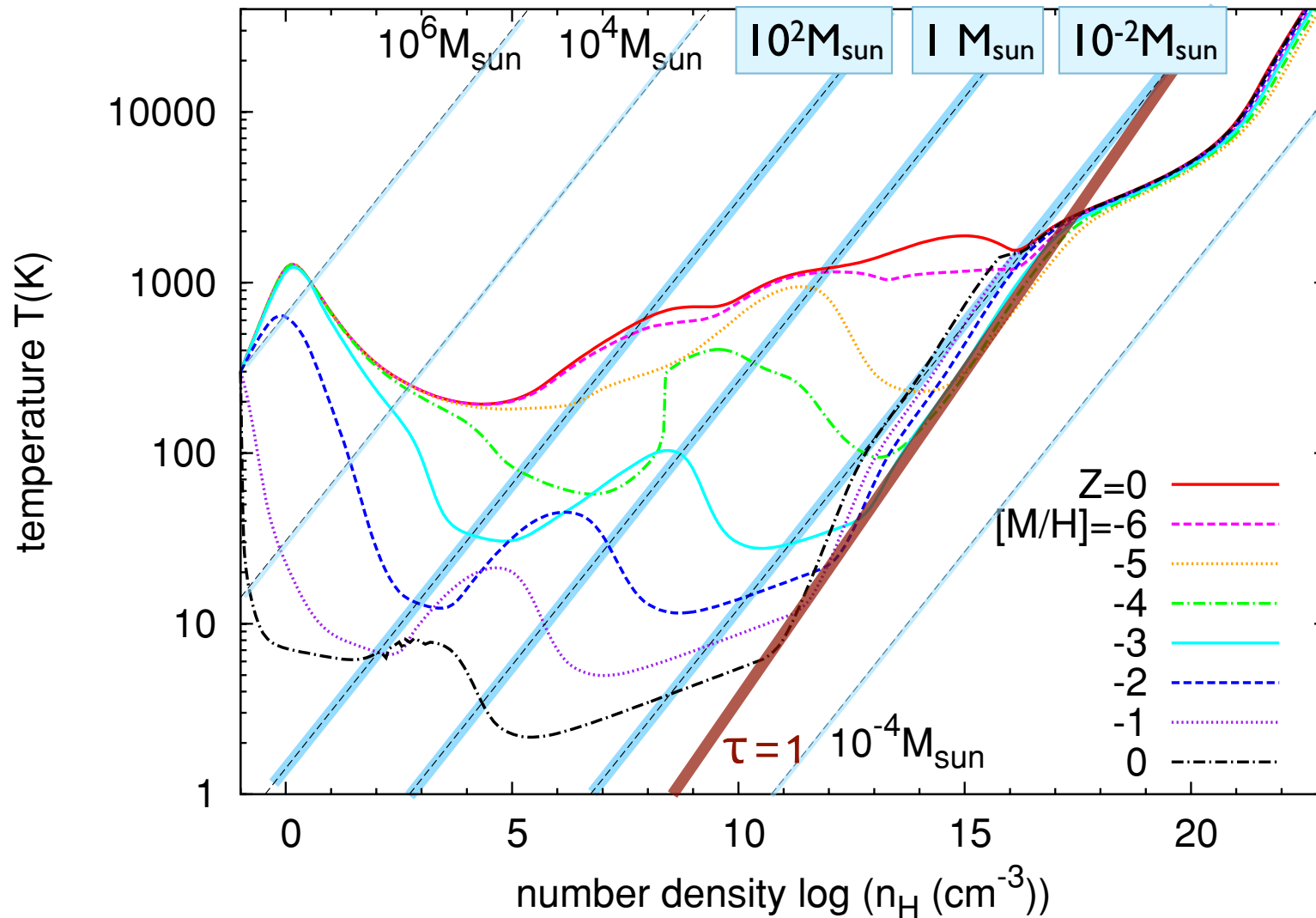
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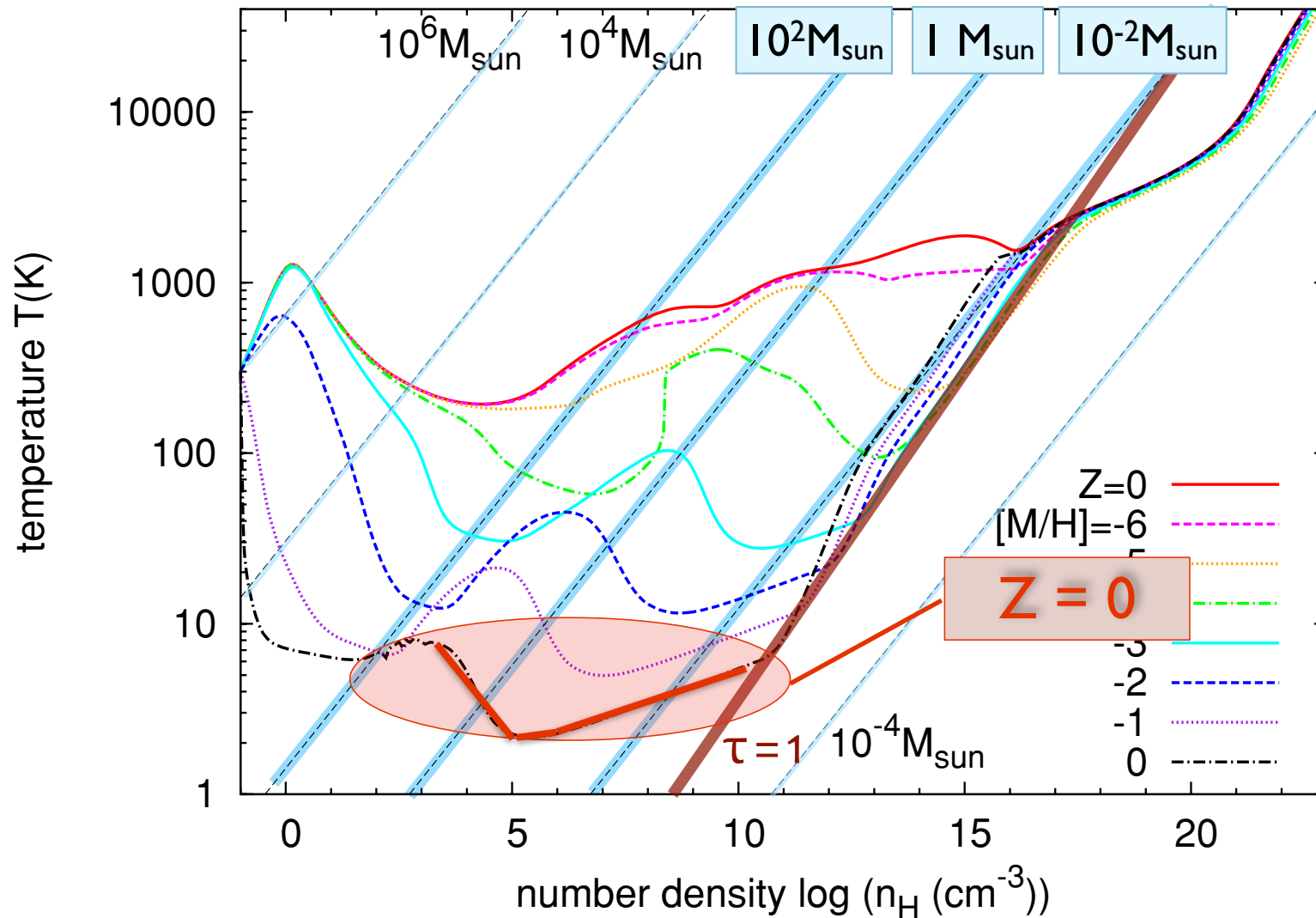
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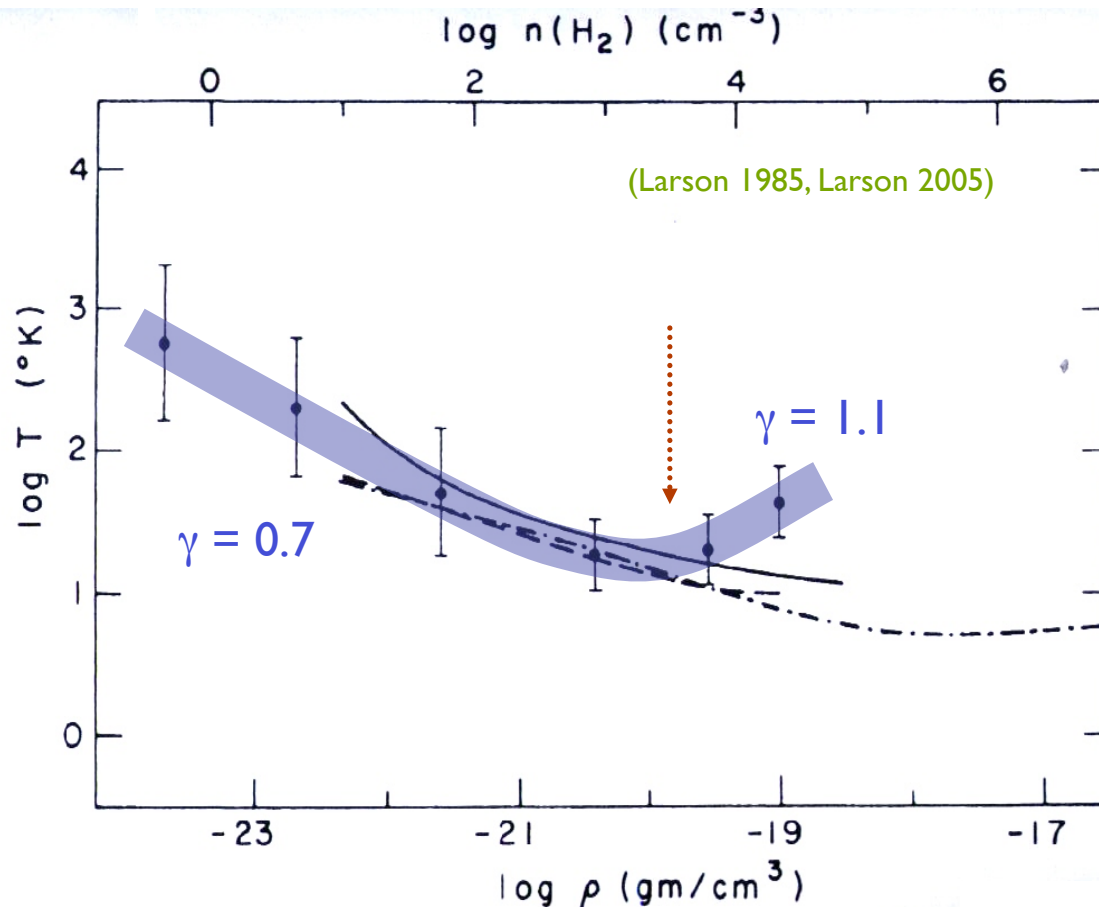
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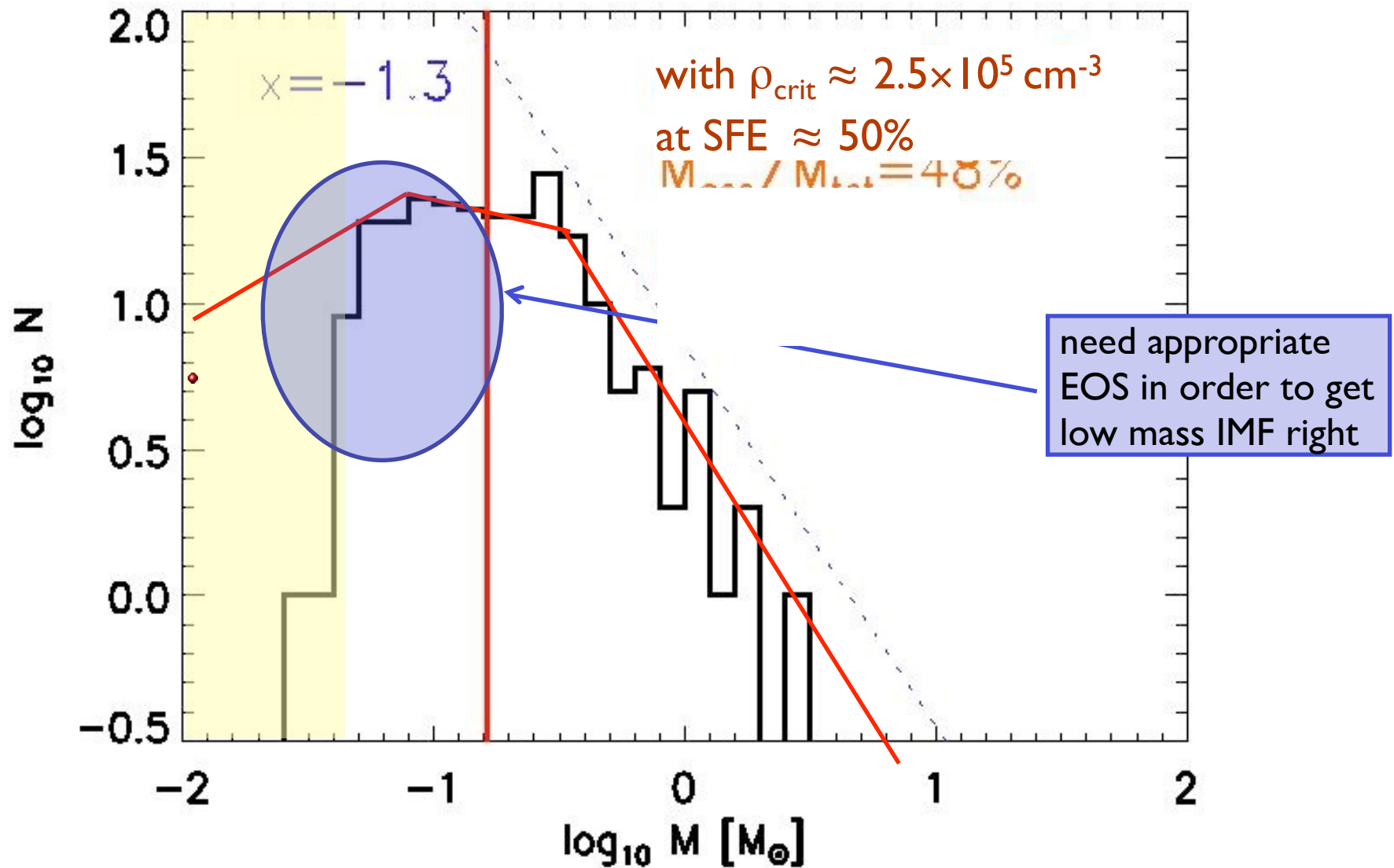


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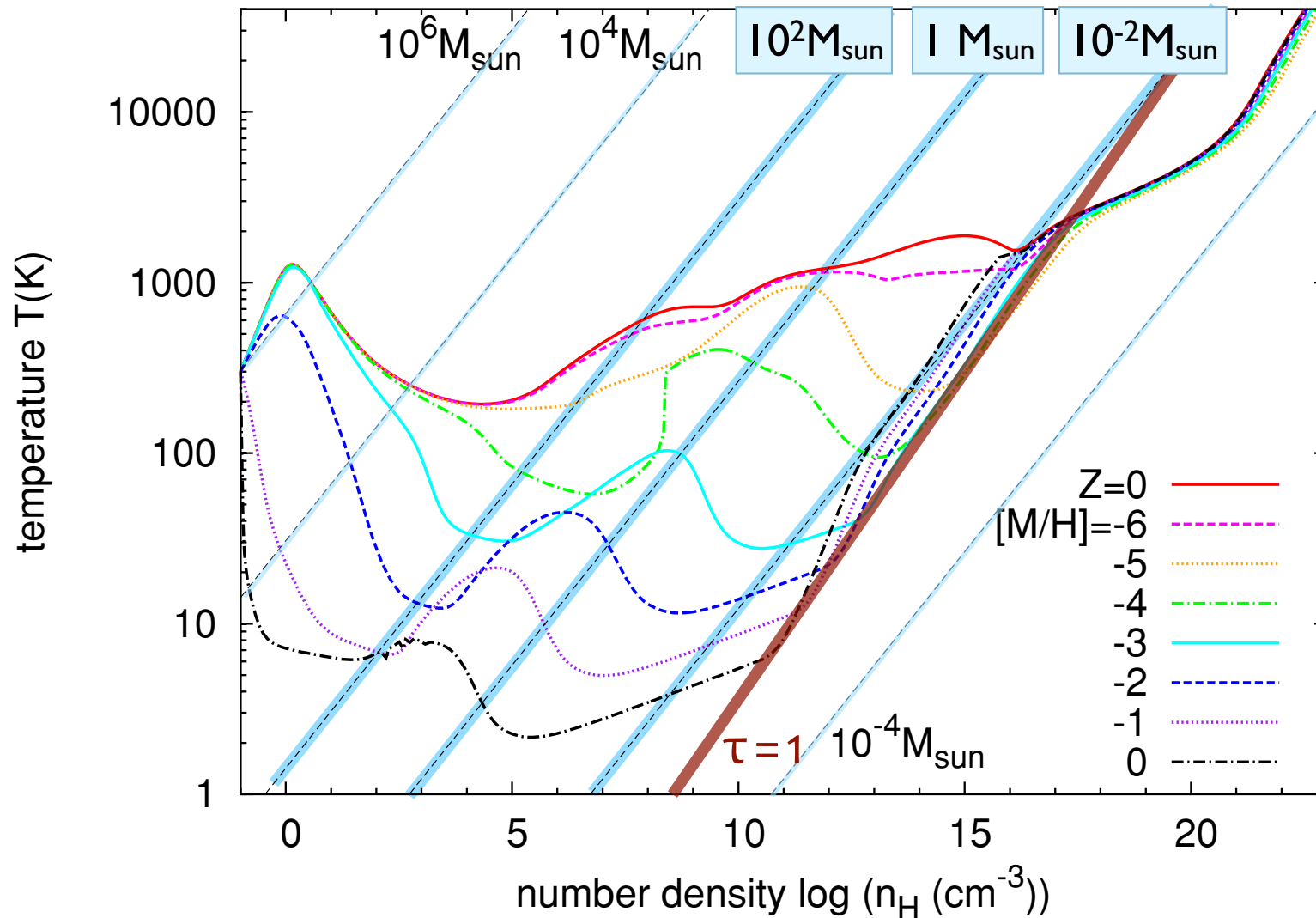
present-day star formation



IMF in nearby molecular clouds

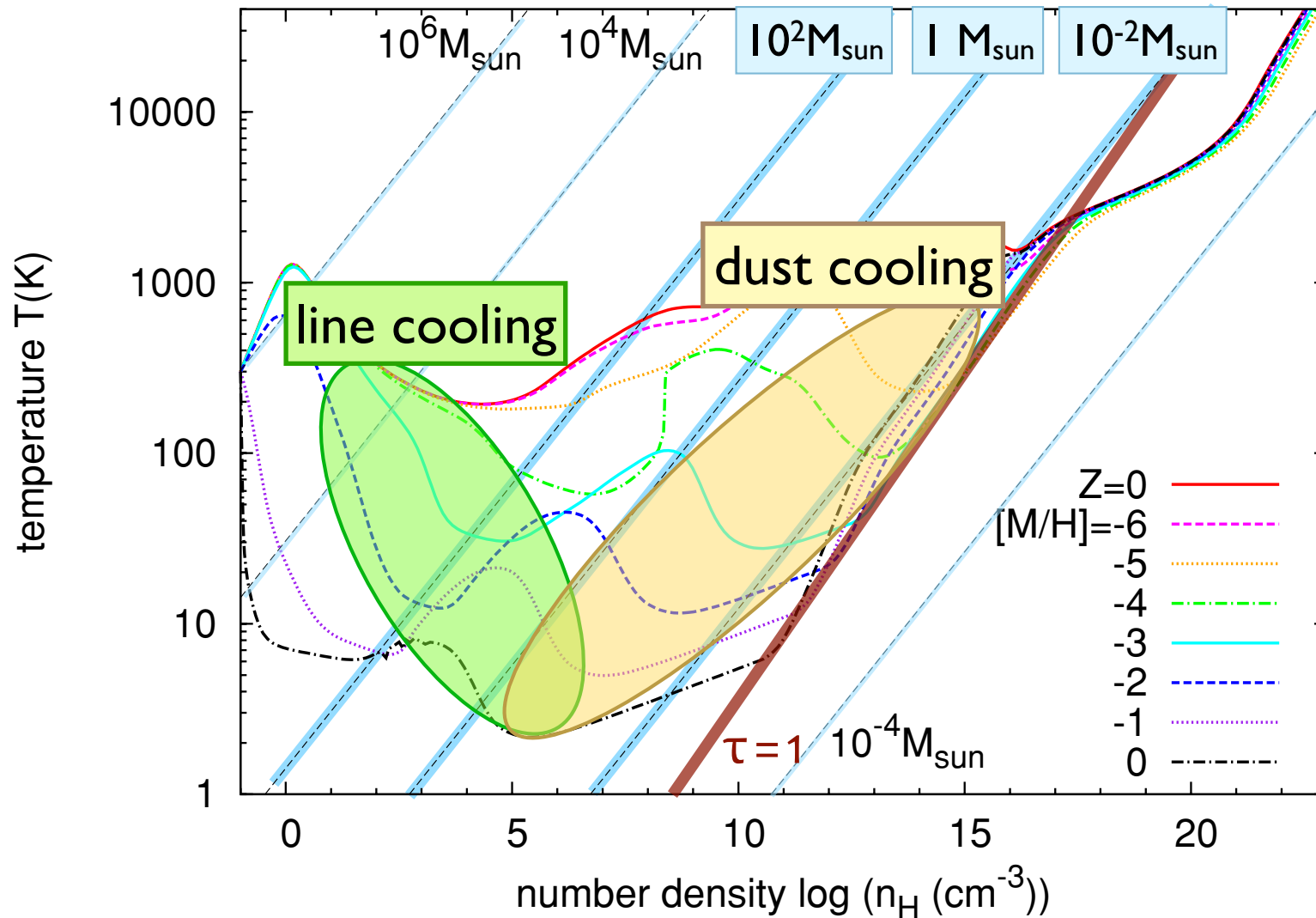


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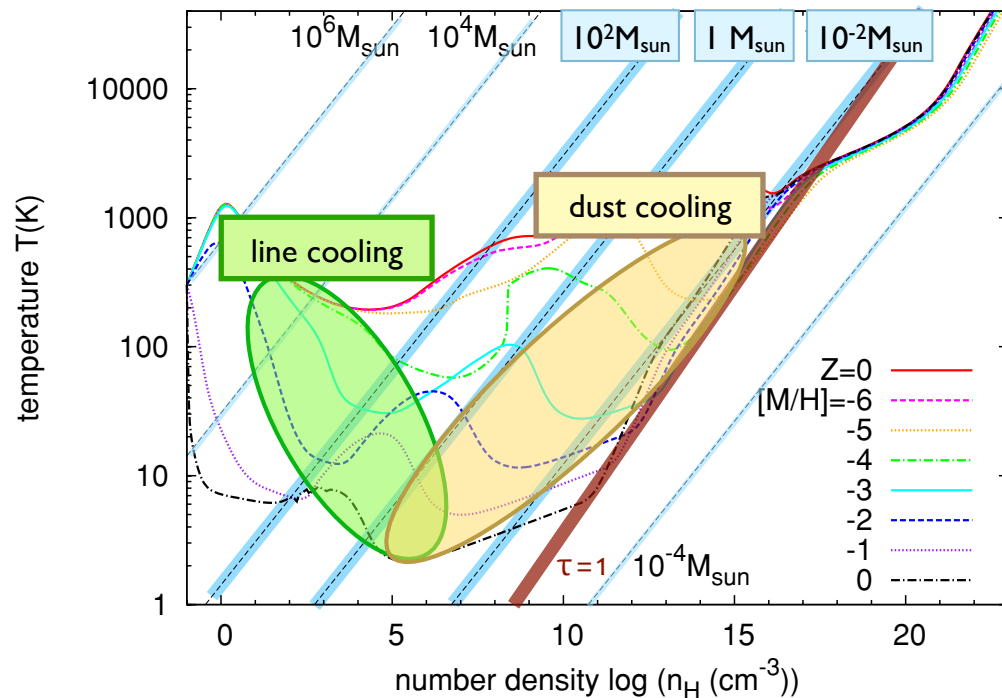
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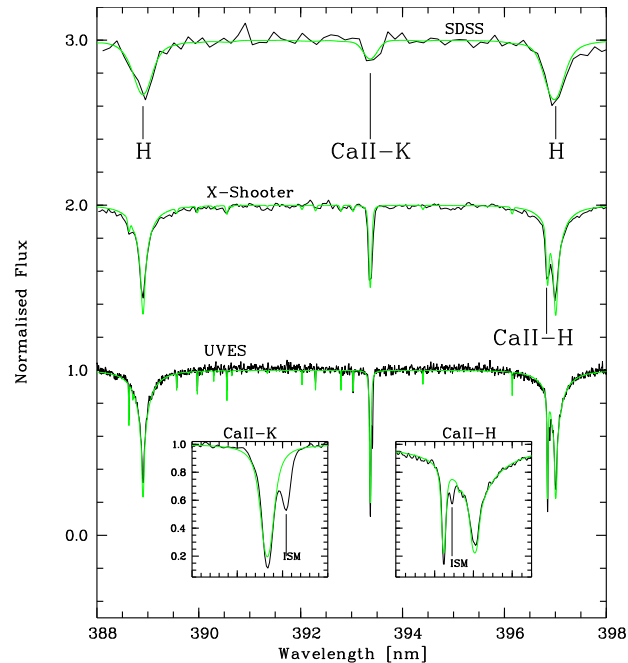
transition: Pop III to Pop II.5



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 ($Z > 10^{-5...-6} Z_{\text{sun}}$)
- which one explains origin of extremely metal-poor stars?
NB: lines would only make very massive stars, with $M > \text{few} \times 10 M_{\text{sun}}$.

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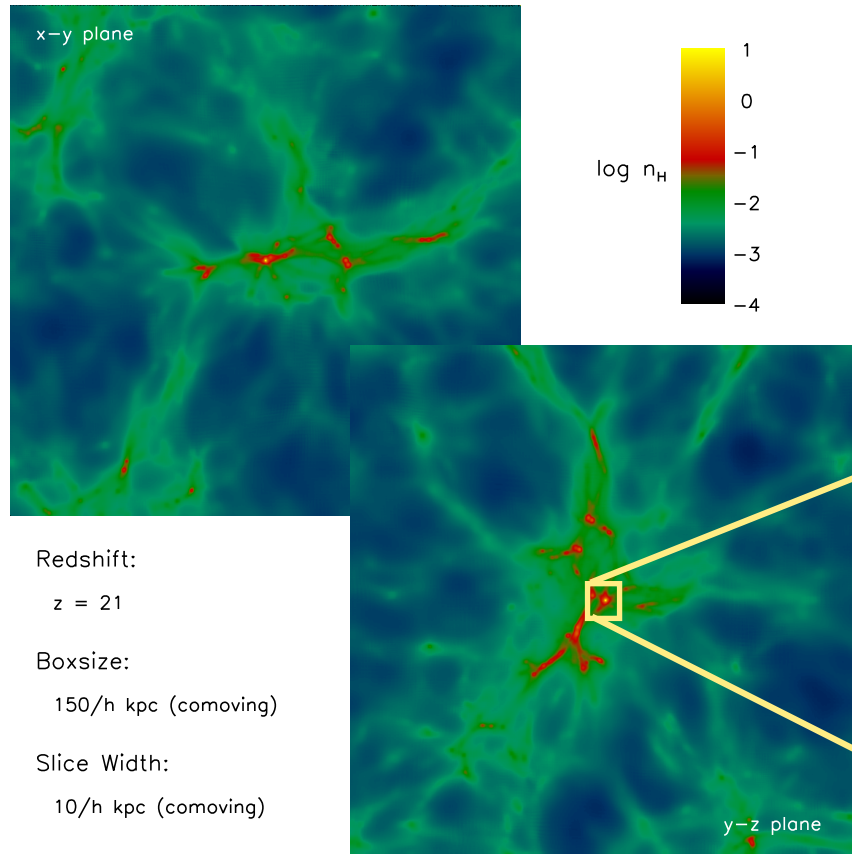
SDSS J1029151+172927

- 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]

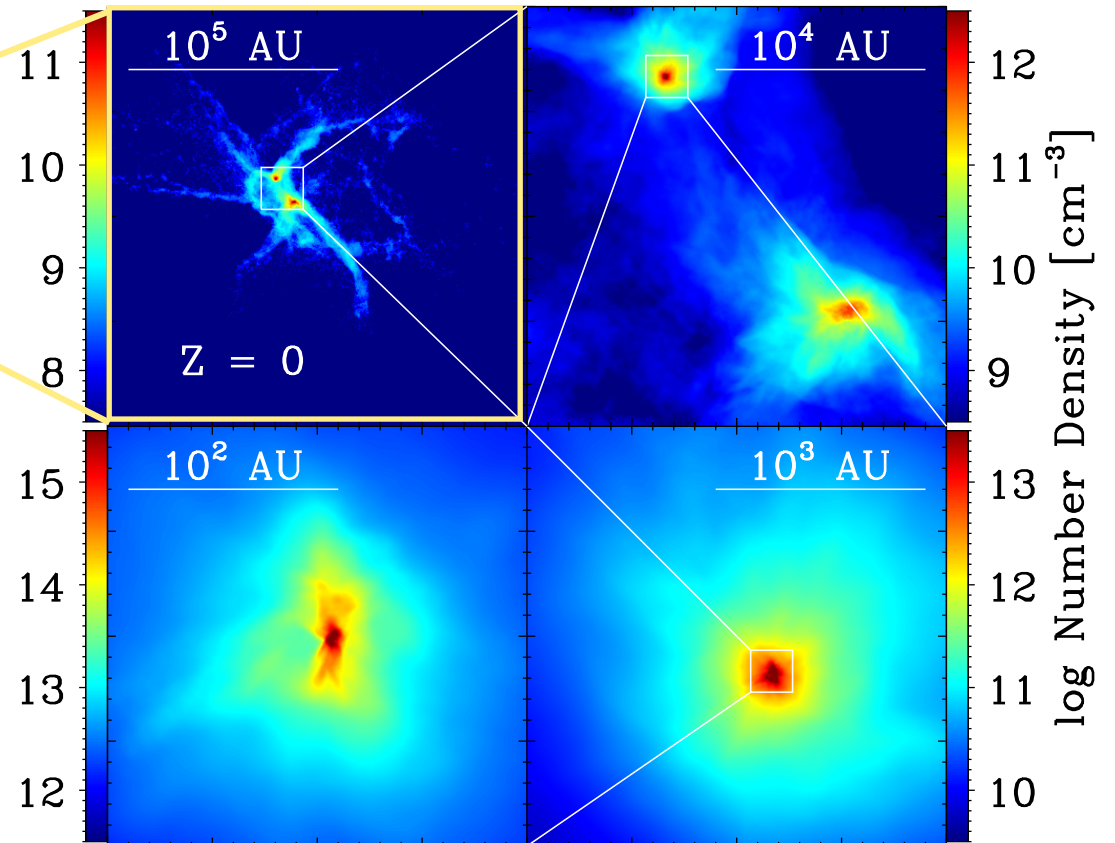
- new ESO large program to find more of these stars (120h x-shooter, 30h UVES)
[PI E. Caffau]

Element		[X/H] _{1D}		N lines	S _H	A(X) _⊙
	+3Dcor.	+NLTE cor.	+ 3D cor + NLTE cor			
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	5	0.1	7.54
Si I	-4.27	-4.30	-3.93	1	0.1	7.52
Ca I	-4.72	-4.82	-4.44	1	0.1	6.33
Ca II	-4.81 ± 0.11	-4.93 ± 0.03	-5.02 ± 0.02	3	0.1	6.33
Ti II	-4.75 ± 0.18	-4.83 ± 0.16	-4.76 ± 0.18	6	1.0	4.90
Fe I	-4.73 ± 0.13	-5.02 ± 0.10	-4.60 ± 0.13	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	1	0.01	2.92

modeling the formation of the first/second stars

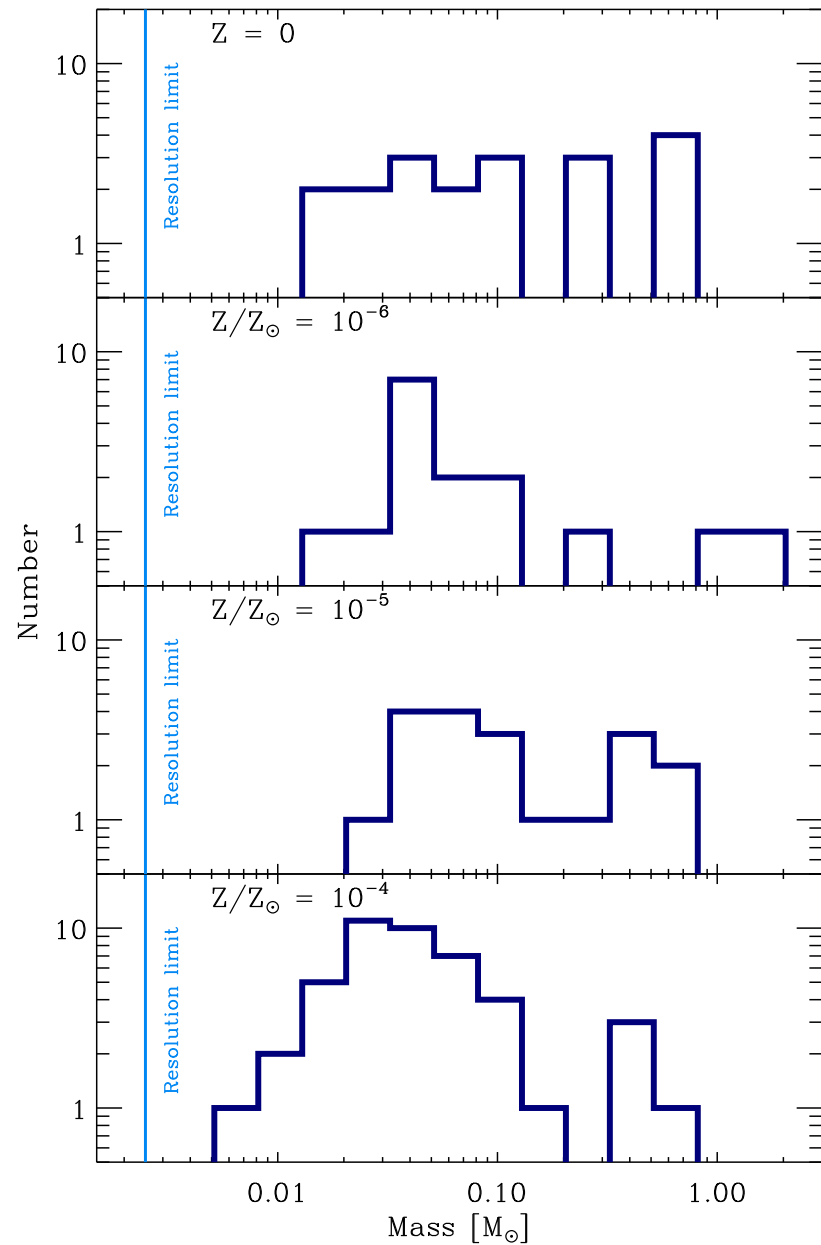
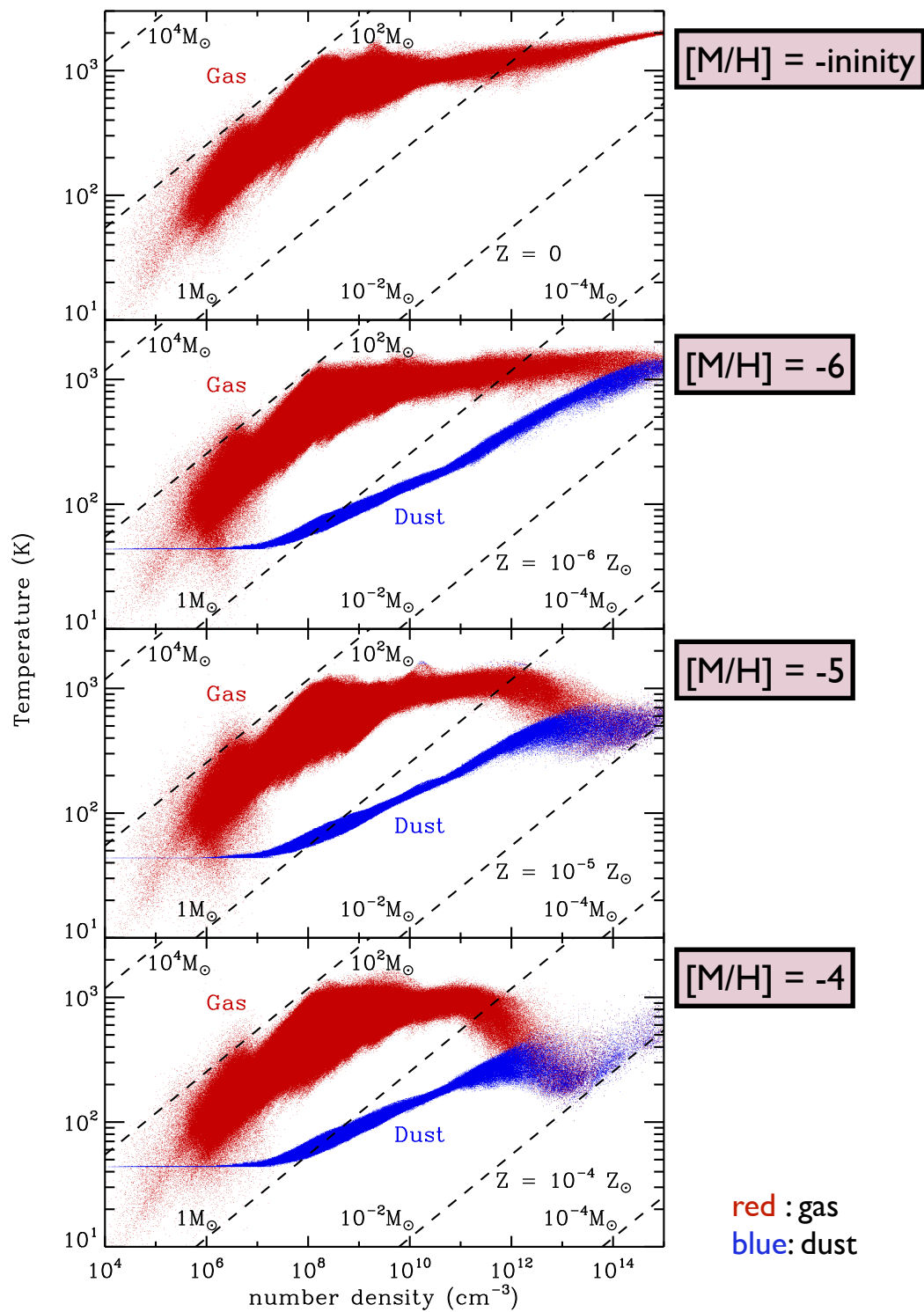


successive zoom-in calculation from cosmological initial conditions (using SPH and new grid-code AREPO)



(Greif et al., 2007, ApJ, 670, 1)

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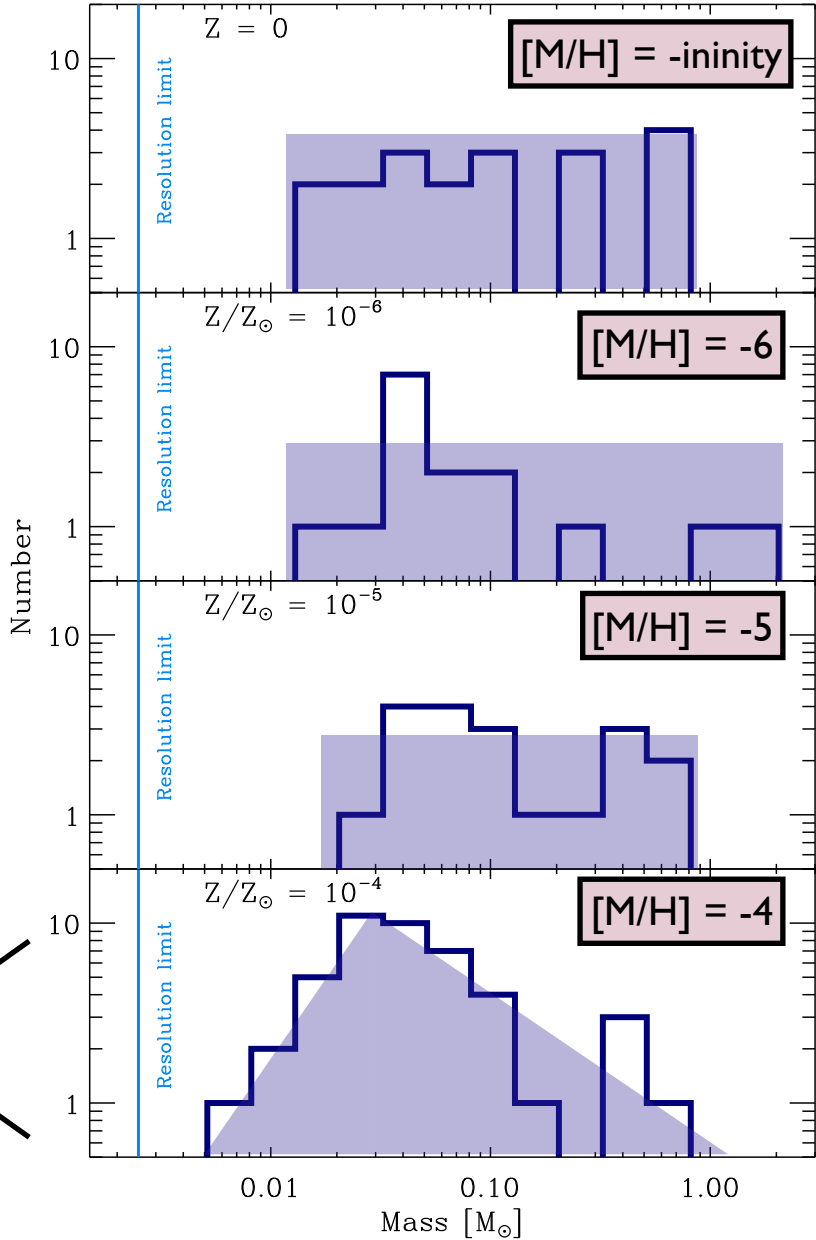


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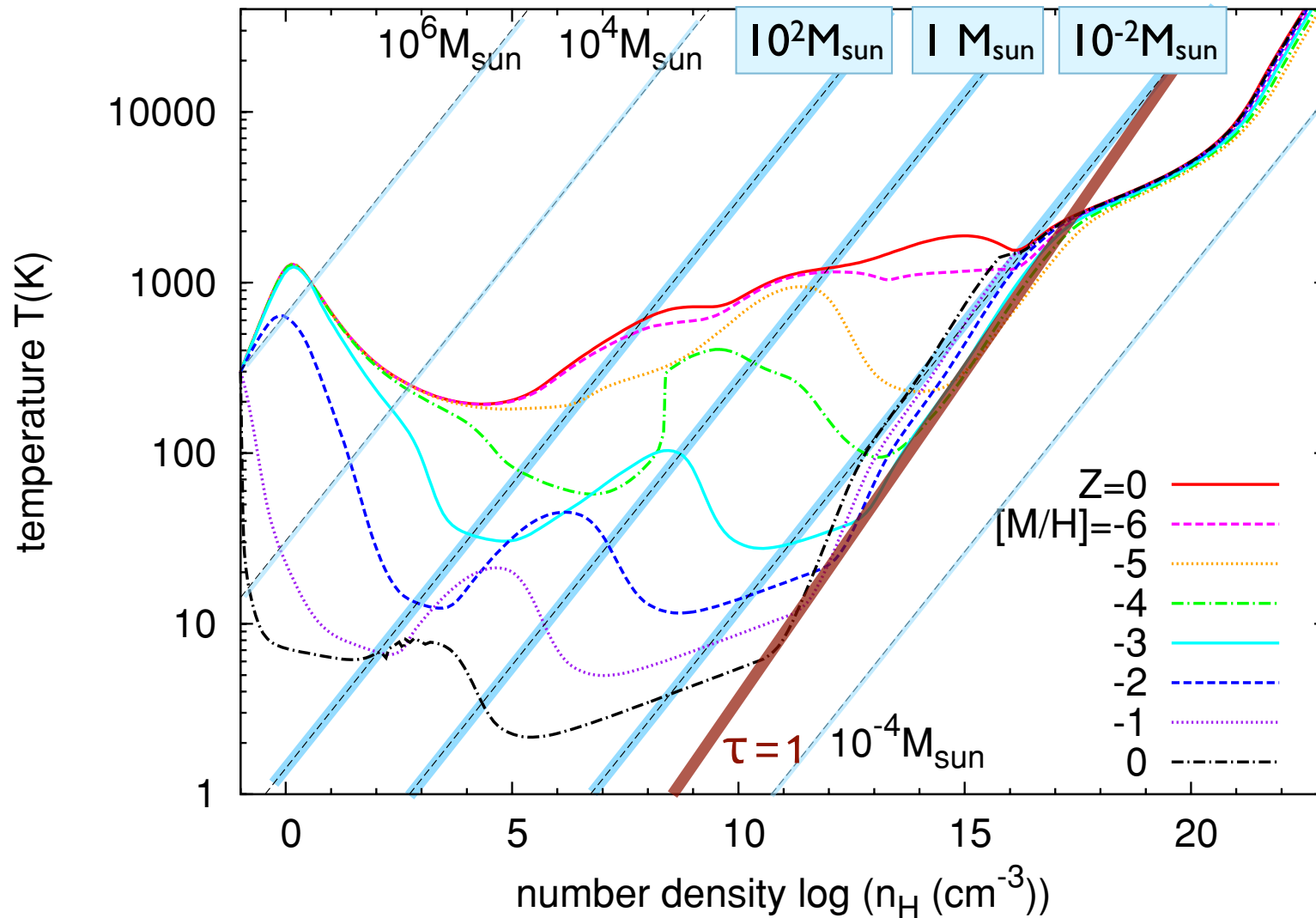
hints for differences
in mass spectrum

disk fragmentation mode

gravoturbulent fragmentation mode

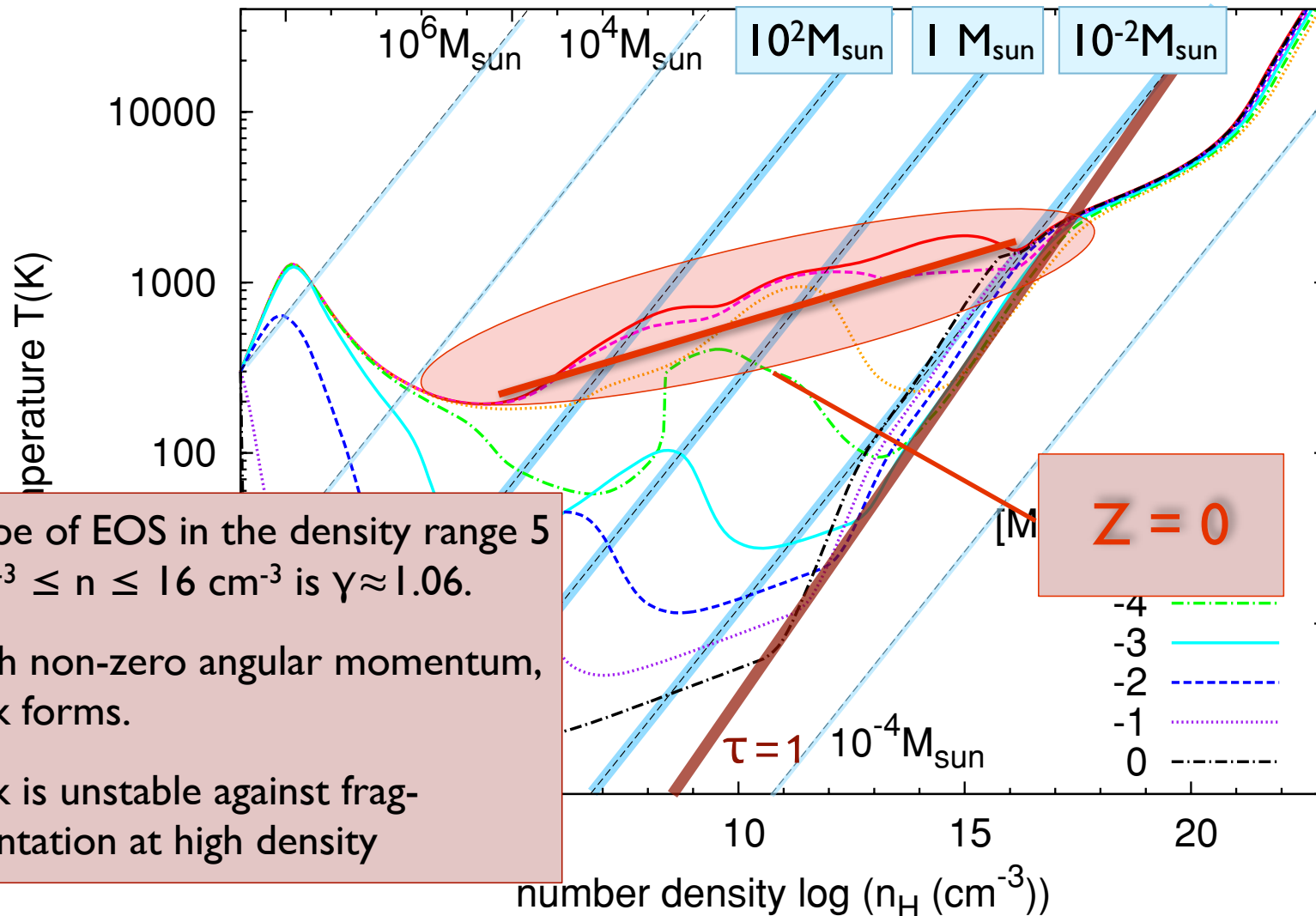


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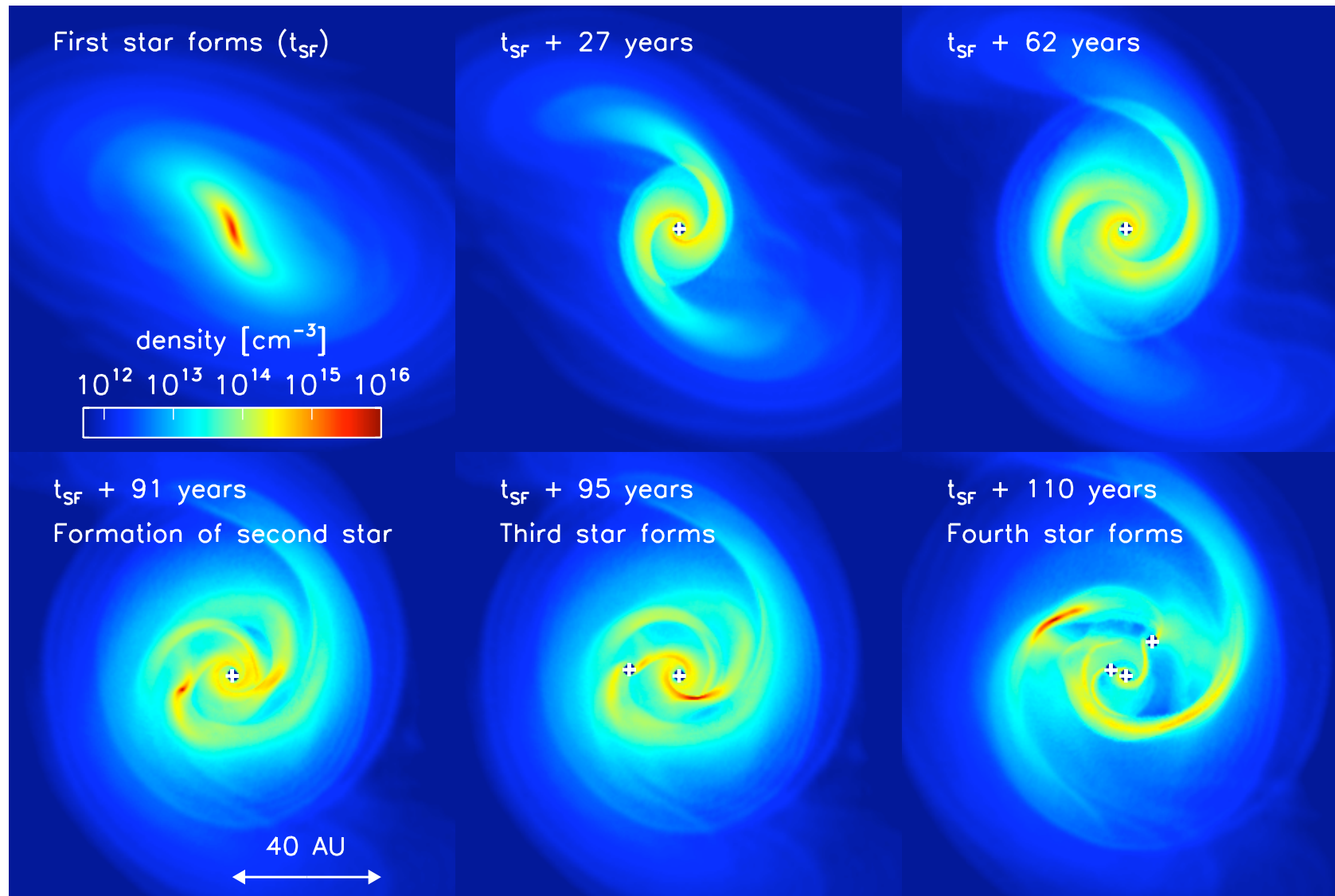
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EOS as function of metallicity



- slope of EOS in the density range $5 \text{ cm}^{-3} \leq n \leq 16 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ is $\gamma \approx 1.06$.
- with non-zero angular momentum, disk forms.
- disk is unstable against fragmentation at high density

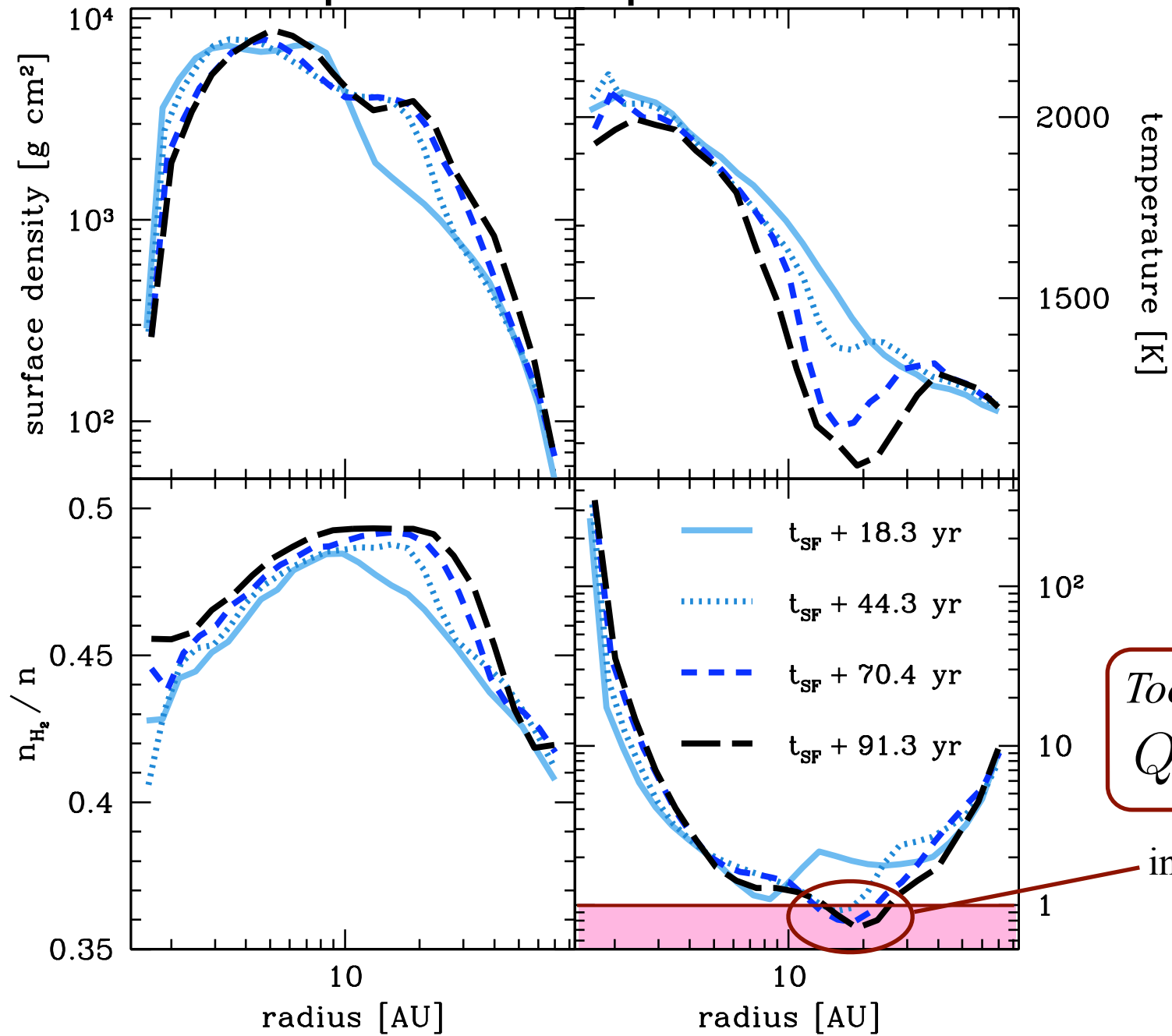
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detailed look at accretion disk

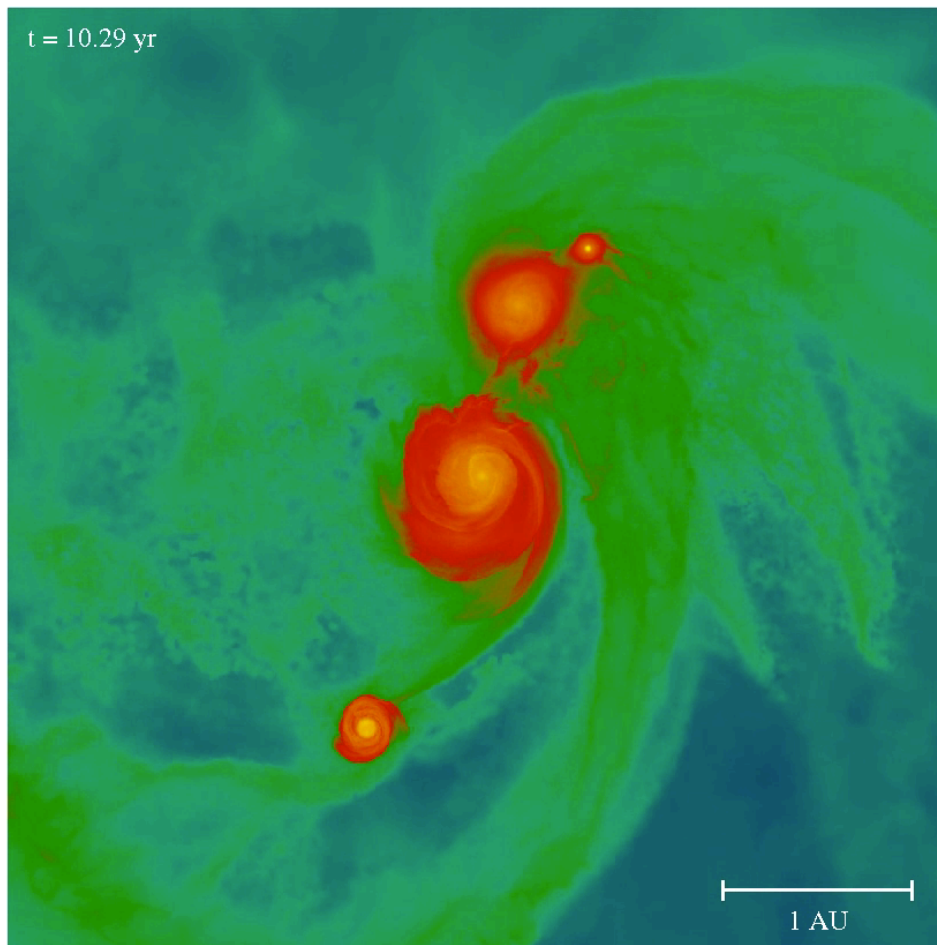
Figure 1: Density evolution in a 120 AU region around the first protostar, showing the build-up of the protostellar disk and its eventual fragmentation. We also see ‘wakes’ in the low-density regions, produced by the previous passage of the spiral arms.

important disk parameters

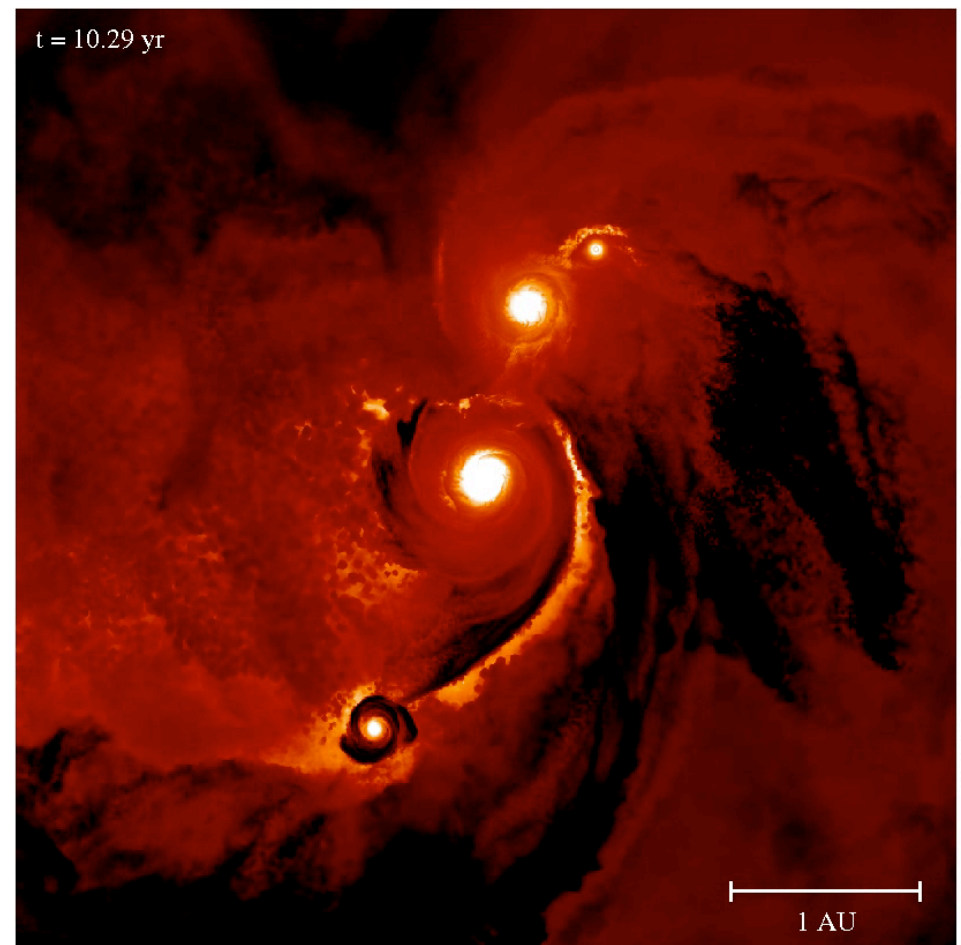


Most recent calculations:

*fully sink-less simulations, following the disk build-up over ~ 10 years
(resolving the protostars - first cores - down to 10^5 km $\sim 0.01 R_{\odot}$)*

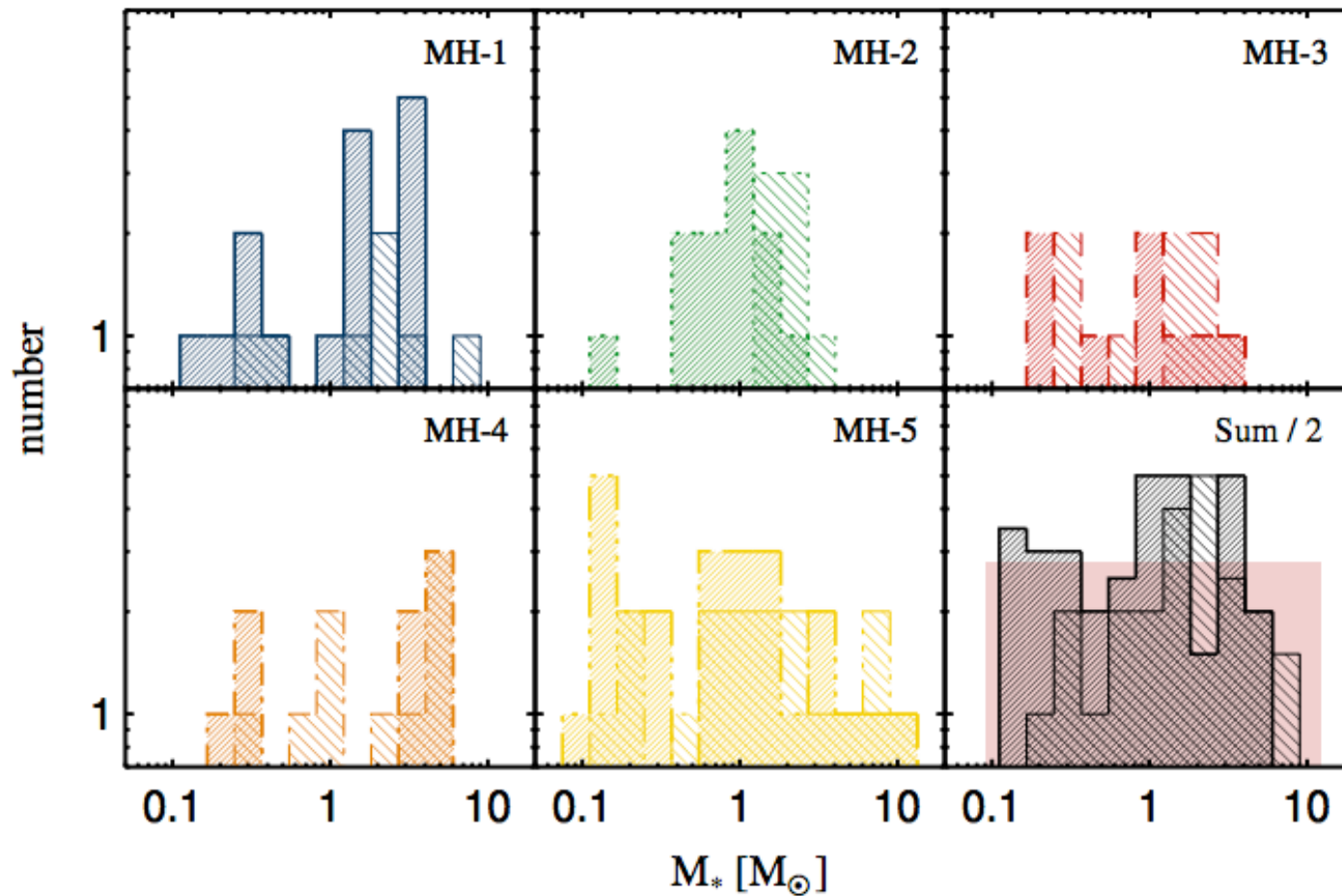


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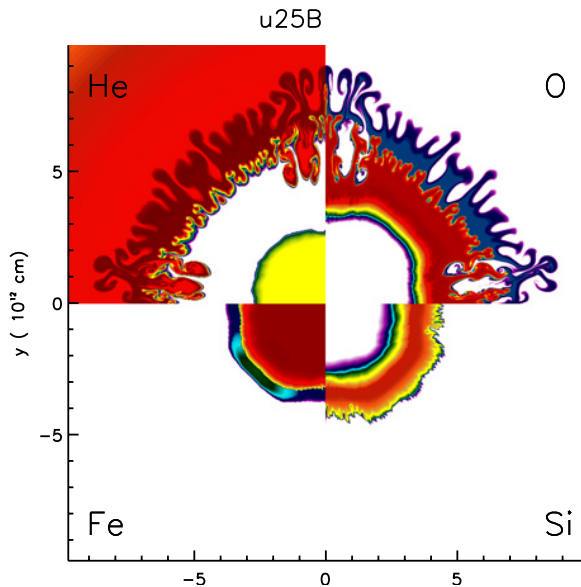
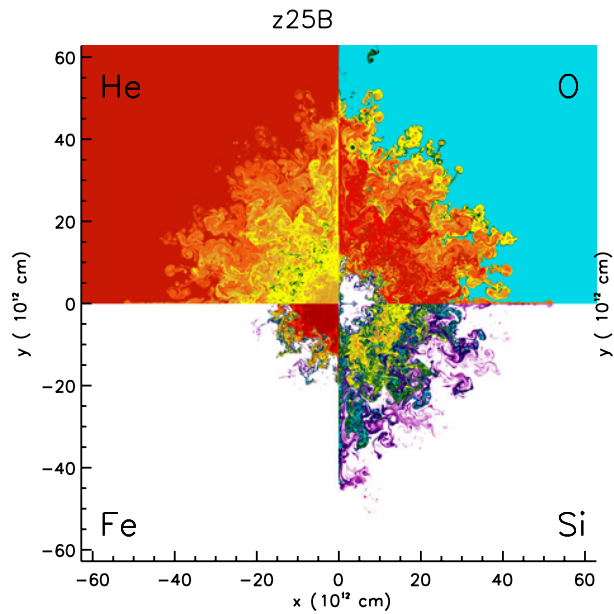


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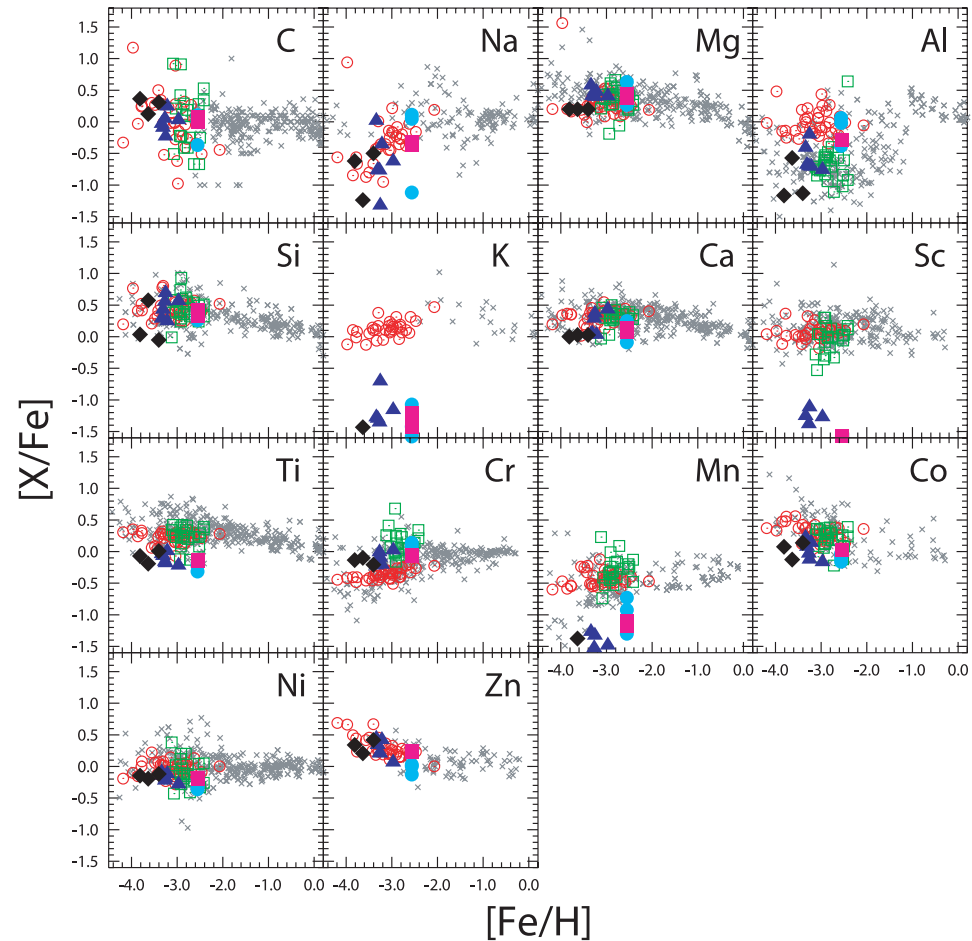
expected mass spectrum



we see "flat"
mass spectrum



(Joggerst et al. 2009, 2010)



(Tominaga et al. 2007)

The metallicities of extremely metal-poor stars in the halo are consistent with the yields of core-collapse supernovae, i.e. progenitor stars with $20 - 40 M_{\odot}$

(e.g. Tominaga et al. 2007, Izutani et al. 2009, Joggerst et al. 2009, 2010, see also talk by John Norris and Heather Jacobsen)

predicting number of Pop III stars

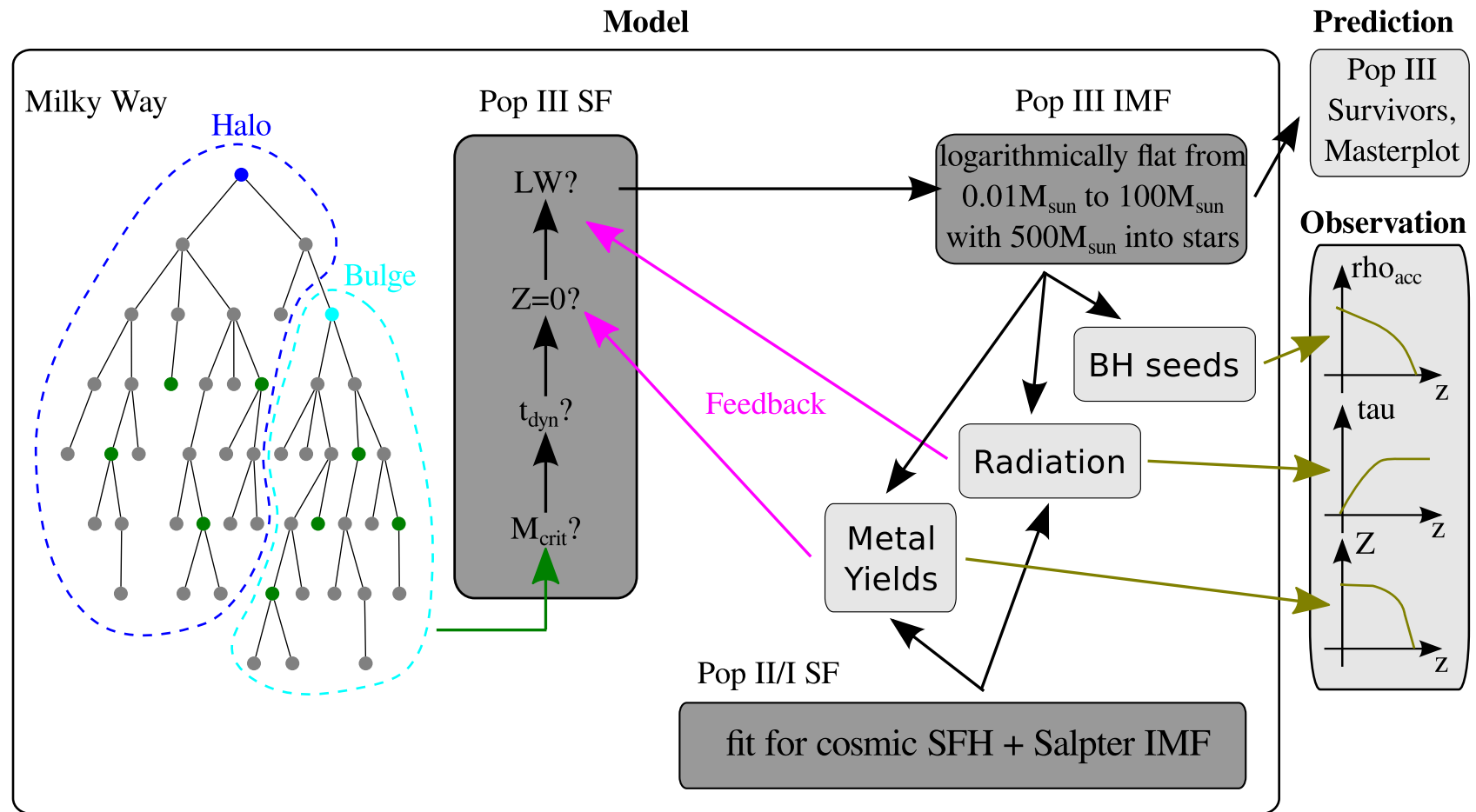


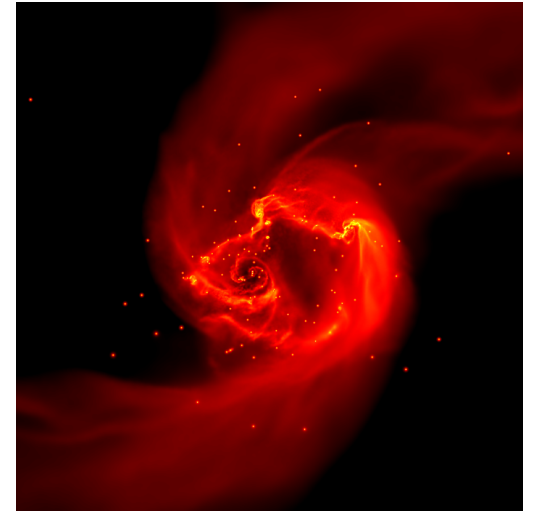
Figure 1. Illustration of the model we use. Based on the merger tree, we check which halos are able to form Pop III stars based on their critical mass, the absence of dynamical heating due to mergers, no pollution by metals and the strength of the LW background. We assign an individual number of Pop III stars to each successful halo and determine the influence on their environment. The influence of Pop I/II star formation is modelled based on the cosmic star formation history. By comparing these influences to existing observations, we can gauge our model assumptions. Finally, we derive a prediction for the number of Pop III survivors in the Milky Way and determine constraints to the primordial IMF. Tilman: too many arrows - probably combine BH seeds, Radiation and Metal Yields?

primordial star formation

- just like in present-day SF, we expect
 - *turbulence*
 - *thermodynamics (i.e. heating vs. cooling)*
 - *feedback*
 - *magnetic fields*

to influence first star formation.

- masses of first stars still *uncertain*, but we expect a *wide mass range* with *typical masses* of several *10s of M_{\odot}*
- disks unstable: first stars in *binaries* or *part of small clusters*
- current frontier: include *feedback* and *magnetic fields* and possibly *dark matter annihilation...*



reducing fragmentation

- from present-day star formation theory we know, that
 - magnetic fields: Peters et al. 2011, Seifried et al. 2012, Hennebelle et al. 2011
 - accretion heating: Peters et al. 2010, Krumholz et al. 2009, Kuipers et al. 2011can influence the fragmentation behavior.
- in the context of Pop III
 - radiation: Hosokawa et al. 2012, Stacy et al. 2012a
 - magnetic fields: Turk et al. 2012, but see also Bovino et al. 2013
Schleicher et al. 2010, Sur et al. 2010, Federrath et al. 2011, Schober et al. 2012ab, 2013
- all these will reduce degree of fragmentation
(but not by much, see Rowan Smith et al. 2011, 2012, at least for accretion heating)
- DM annihilation might become important for disk dynamics and fragmentation (Ripamonti et al. 2011, Stacy et al. 2012b, Rowan Smith et al. 2012)



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thoughts for IMF discussion

- What ***form***
- Does the
- We agree on importance of ***turbulence***
What are the effects of
- Is the
Probably not, better maybe ***abundance patterns***
- ***What do we miss?***
(cosmic rays, anything else?)

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