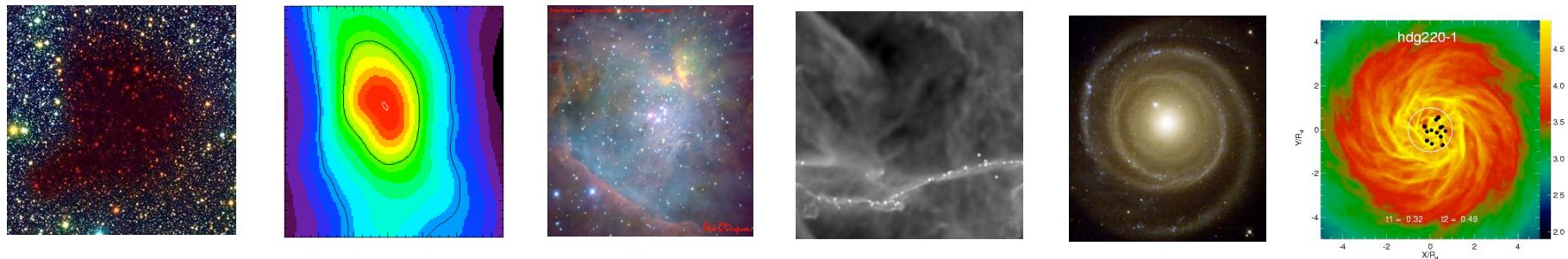


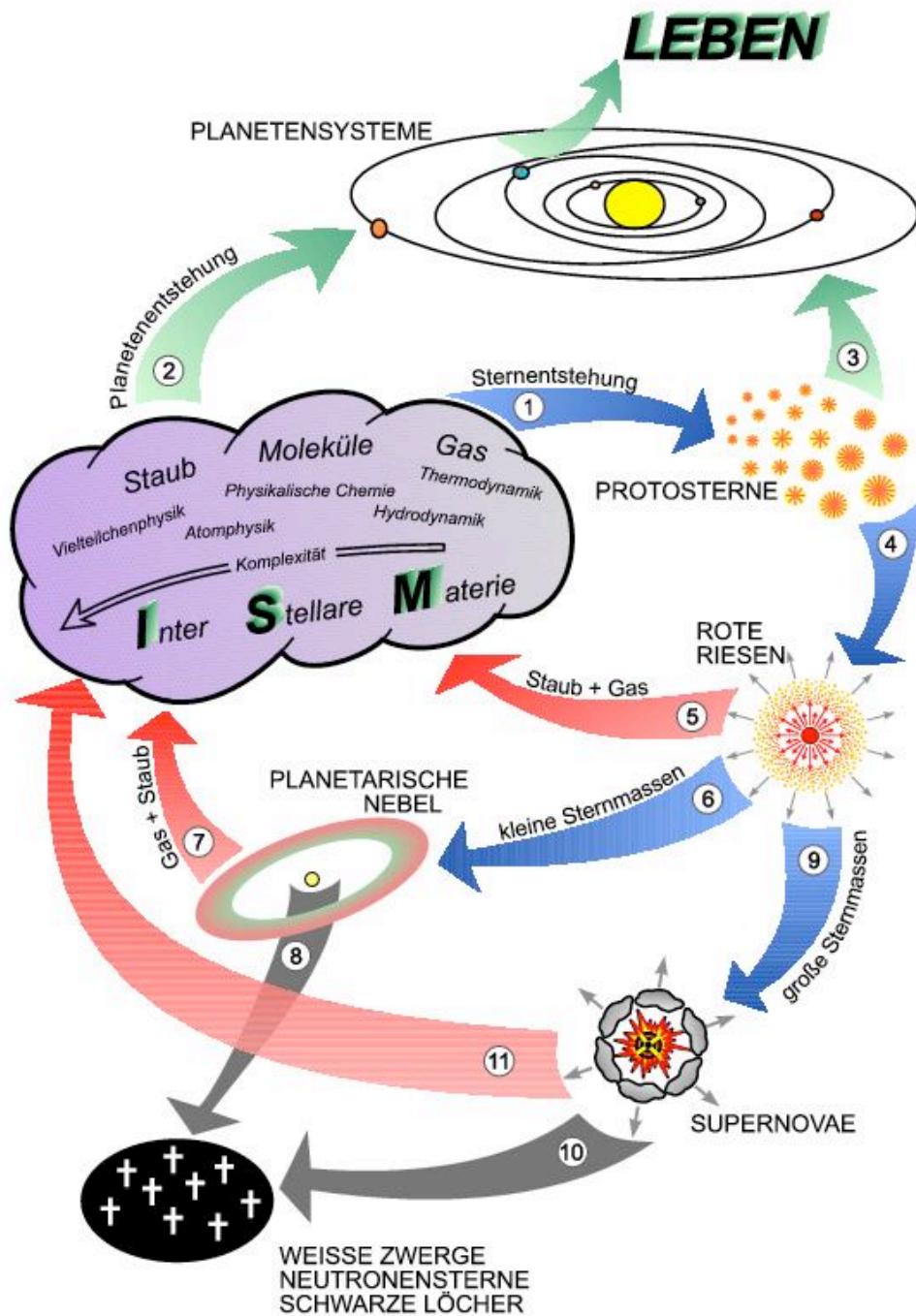
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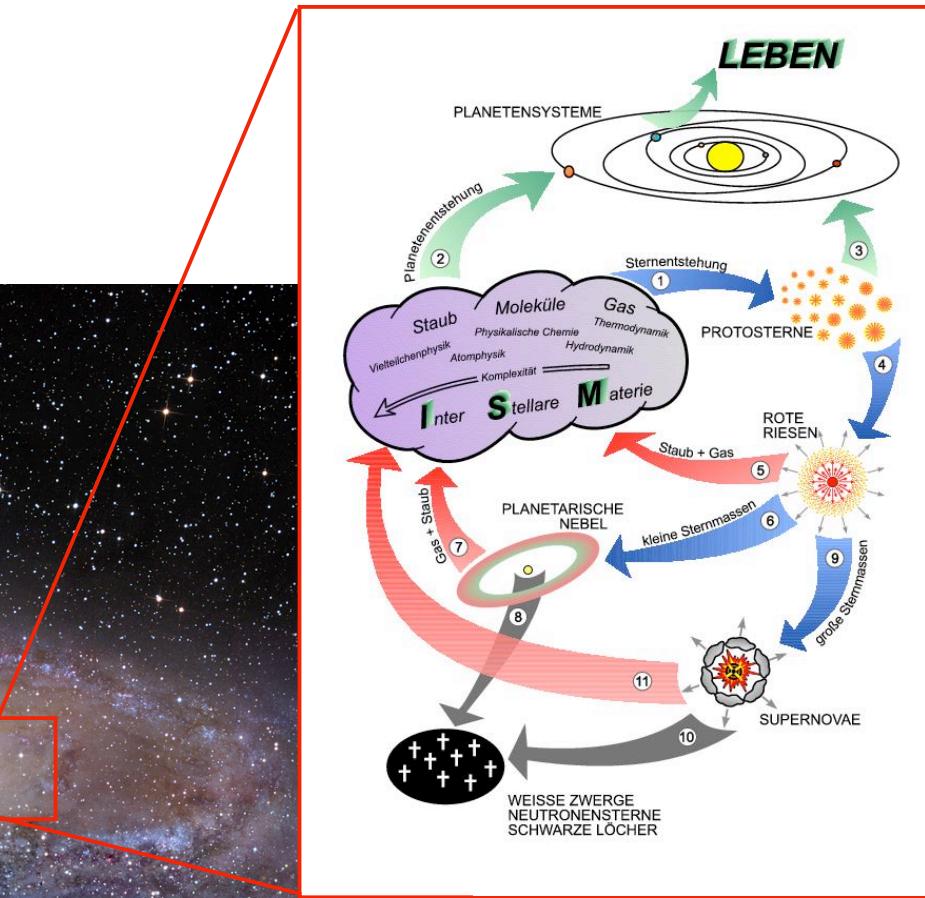
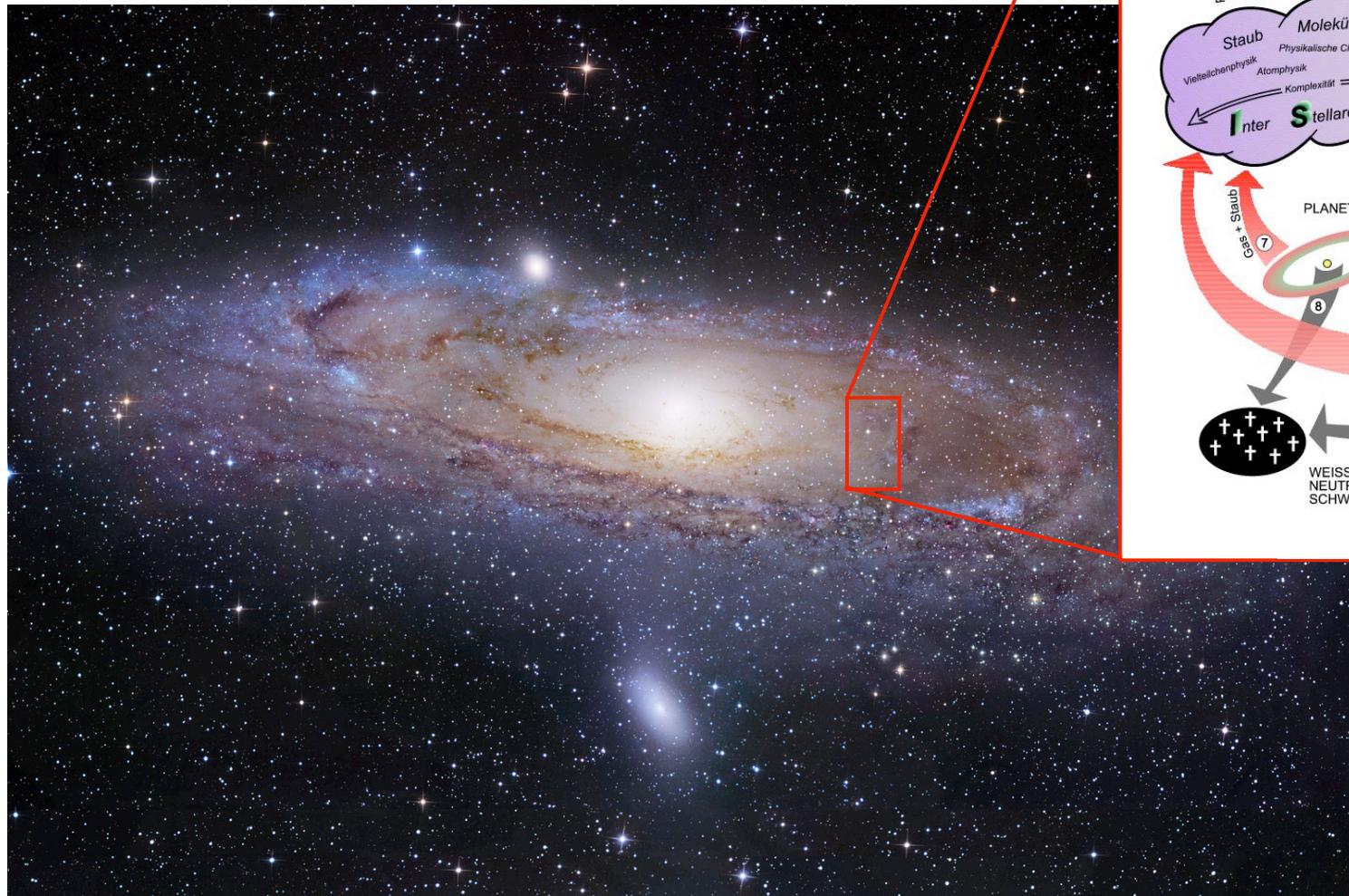


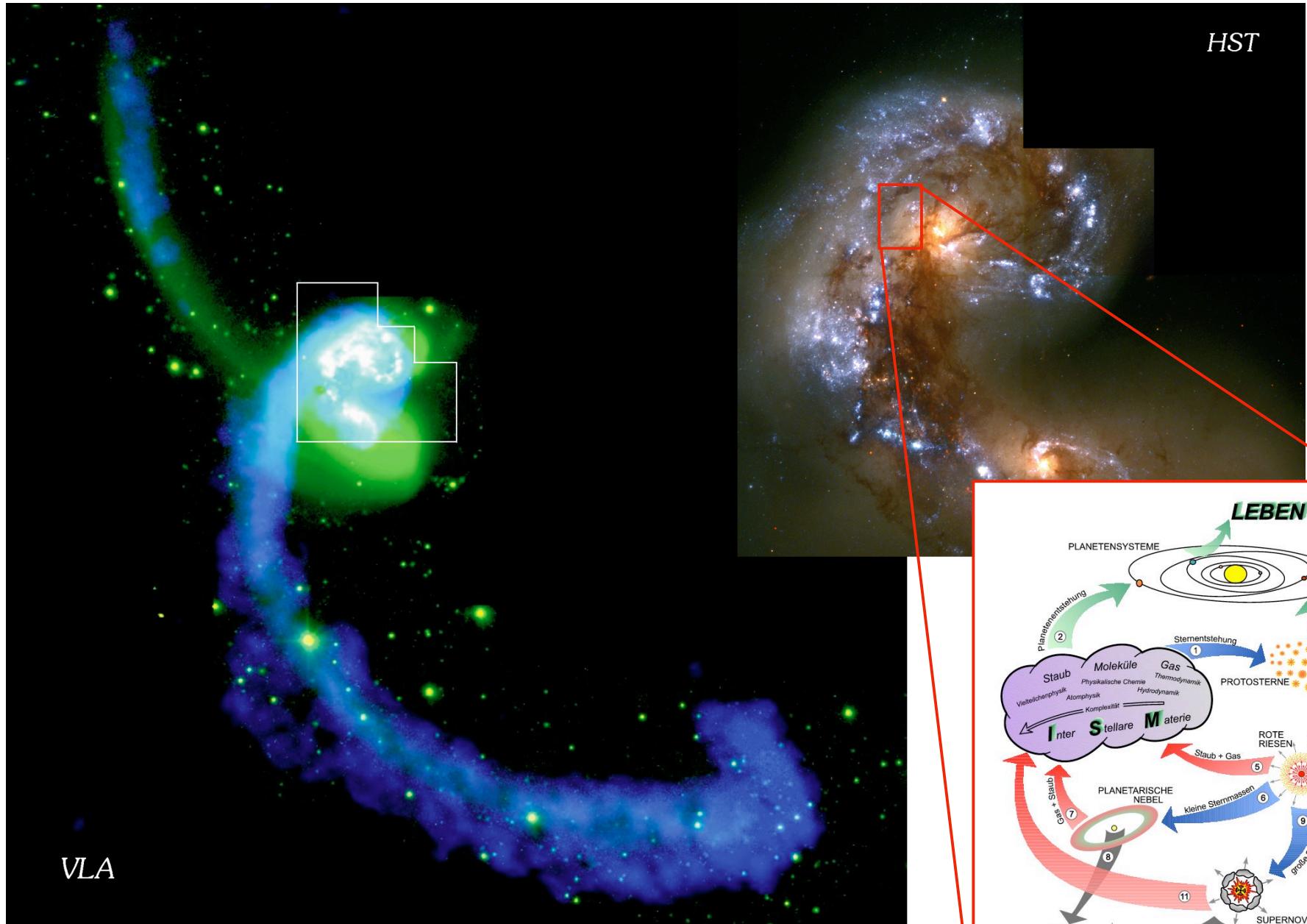
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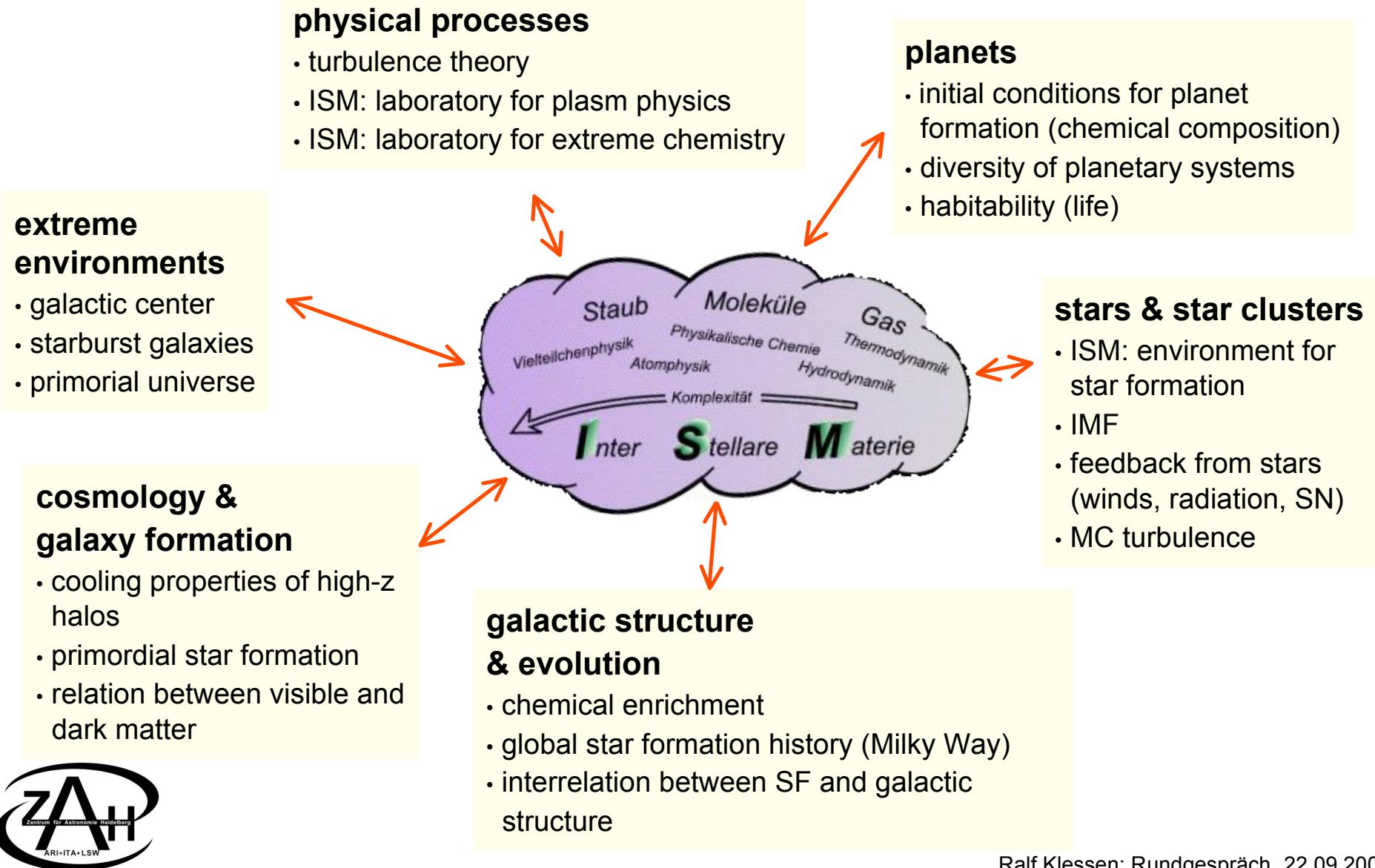




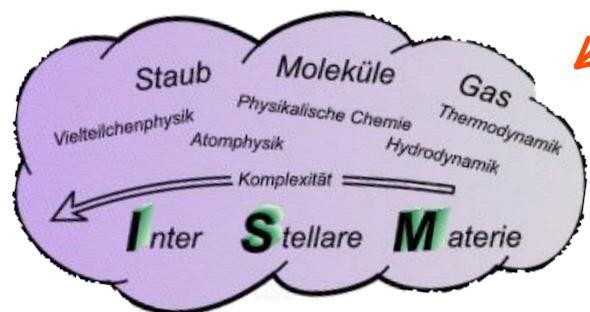


Ralf Klessen: Rundgespräch, 22.09.2006

# Why study ISM physics?



# What do we need to study ISM?



## magneto-hydrodynamics

(multi-phase, non-ideal MHD,  
turbulence)

## chemistry (gas + dust, heating + cooling)

## radiation (continuum + lines)

## stellar dynamics

(collisional: star clusters,  
collisionless: galaxies, DM)

## stellar evolution

(feedback: radiation, winds, SN)

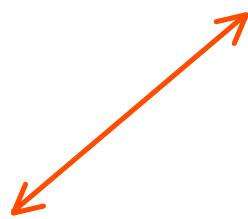


## laboratory work

(reaction rates, cross sections,  
dust coagulation properties, etc.)

# What do we need to study ISM?

- massive parallel codes
- particle-based: SPH with improved algorithms (XSPH with turb. subgrid model, GPM, particle splitting, MHD-SPH?)
- grid-based: AMR (FLASH, ENZO, RAMSES, Nirvana3, etc), subgrid-scale models (FEARLESS)
- BGK methods



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# What do we need to study ISM?

- ever increasing chemical networks
- working reduced networks for time-dependent chemistry in combination with hydrodynamics
- improved data on reaction rates (laboratory + quantum mechanical calculations)



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# What do we need to study ISM?

- continuum vs. lines
- Monte Carlo,  
characteristics
- approximative  
methods
- combine with hydro



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- statistics: number of stars (collisional:  $10^6$ , collisionless:  $10^{10}$ )
- transition from gas to stars
- binary orbits
- long-term integration



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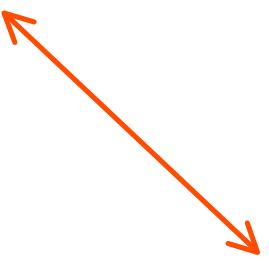
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# What do we need to study ISM?

- very early phases (pre main sequence tracks)
- massive stars at late phases
- role of rotation
- primordial star formation



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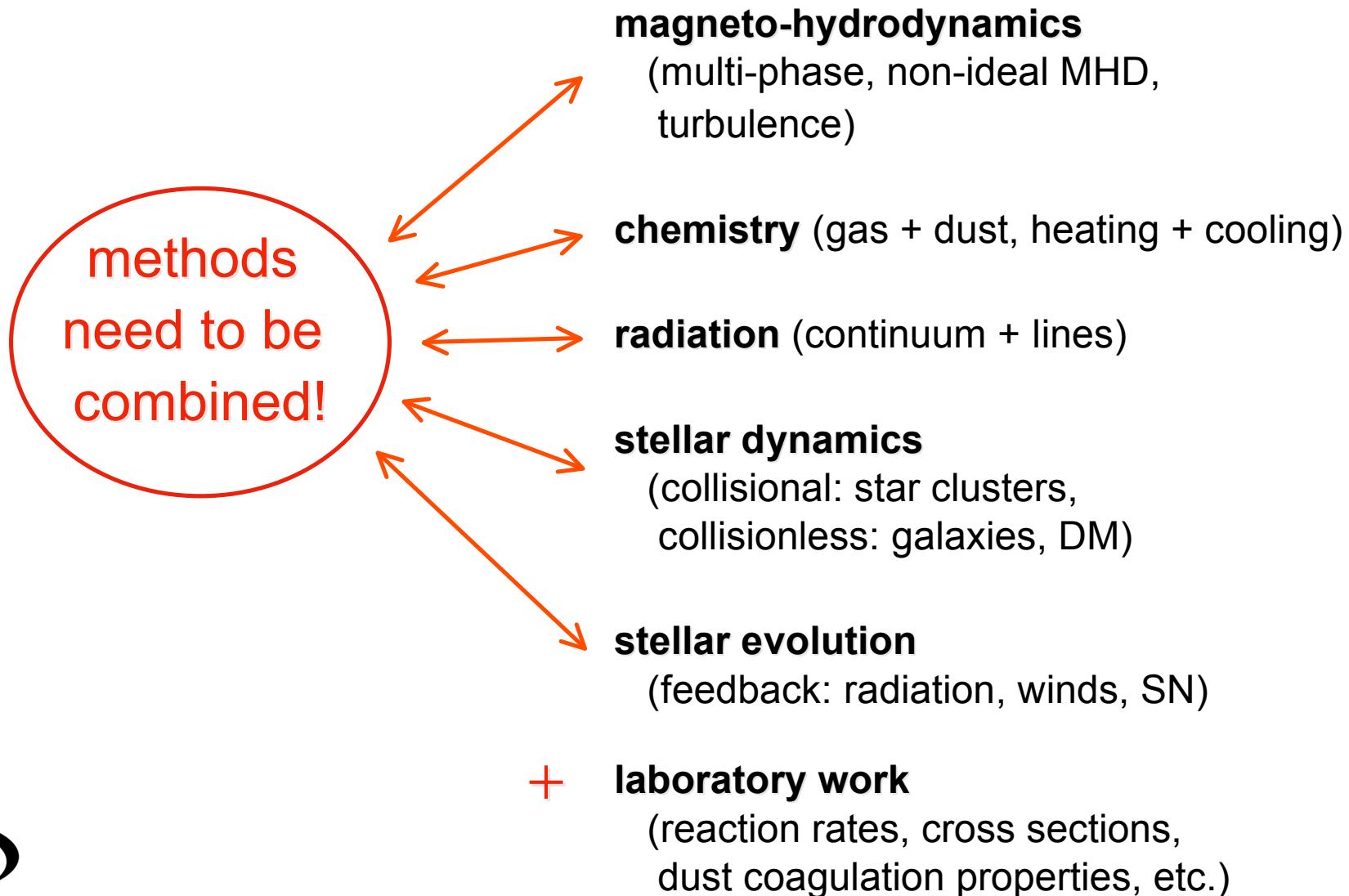
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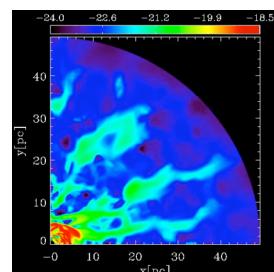
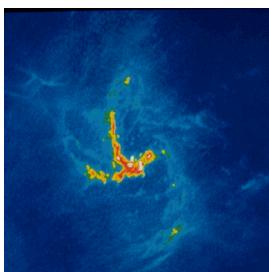
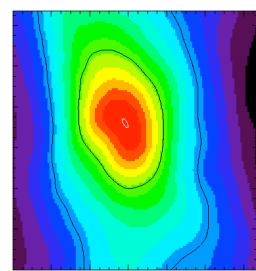
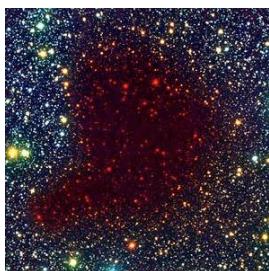
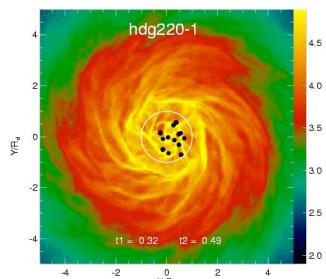
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# Three examples



## modeling star formation in galactic disk + molecular cloud formation

(hydrodynamics, stellar dynamics, chemistry, feedback [radiation, outflows])  
(Schmidt law, star-formation history, relation between global dynamics and SF)

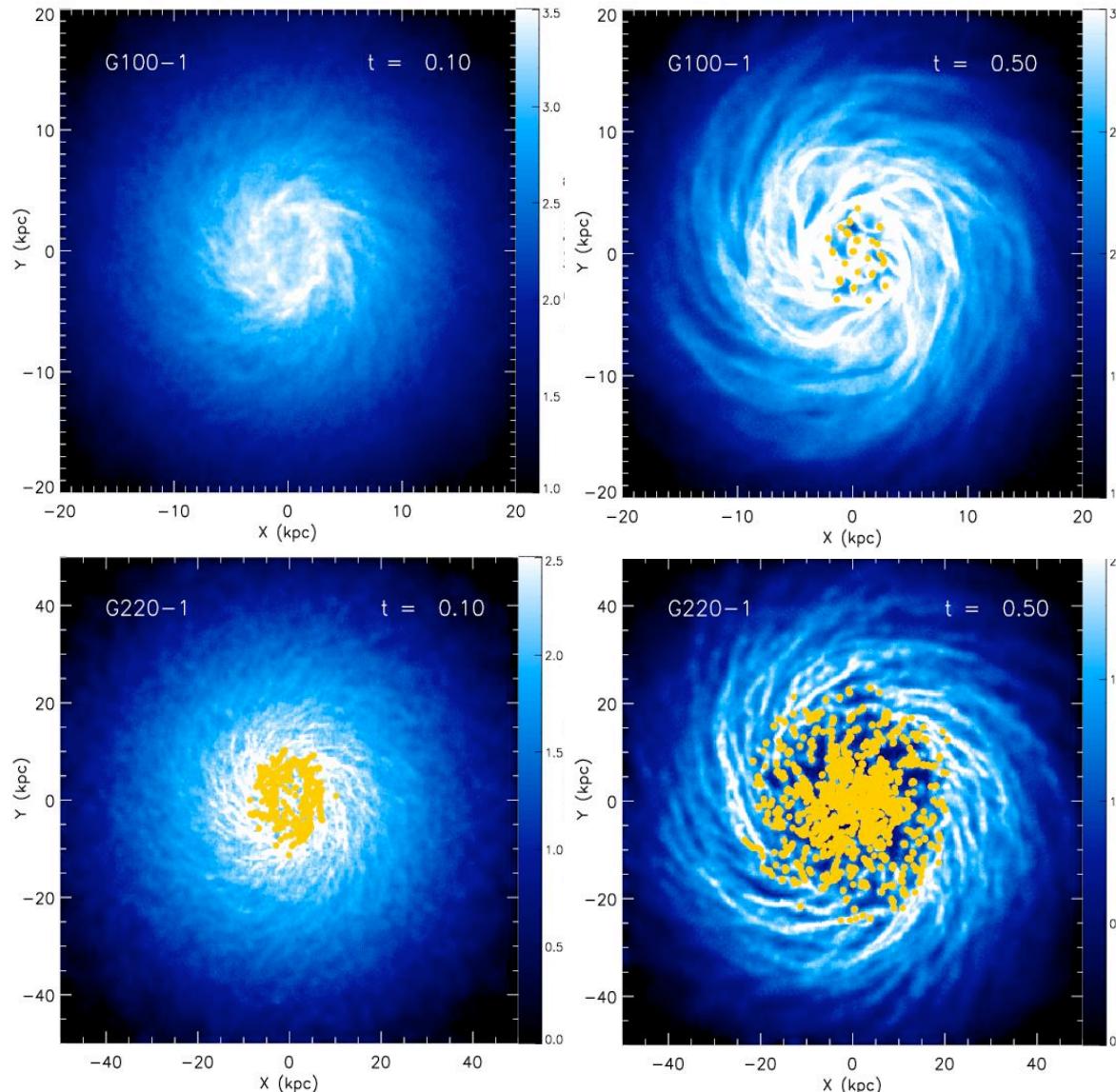
## modeling properties of prestellar cores

(MHD, chemistry, radiation)  
(initial conditions of star formation, IMF, multiplicity, planet formation, etc.)

## modeling extreme environments: cold, dusty AGN tori

(hydrodynamics, stellar feedback, EOS + cooling)  
(AGN properties + evolution, central BH)

# Modeling galactic SF



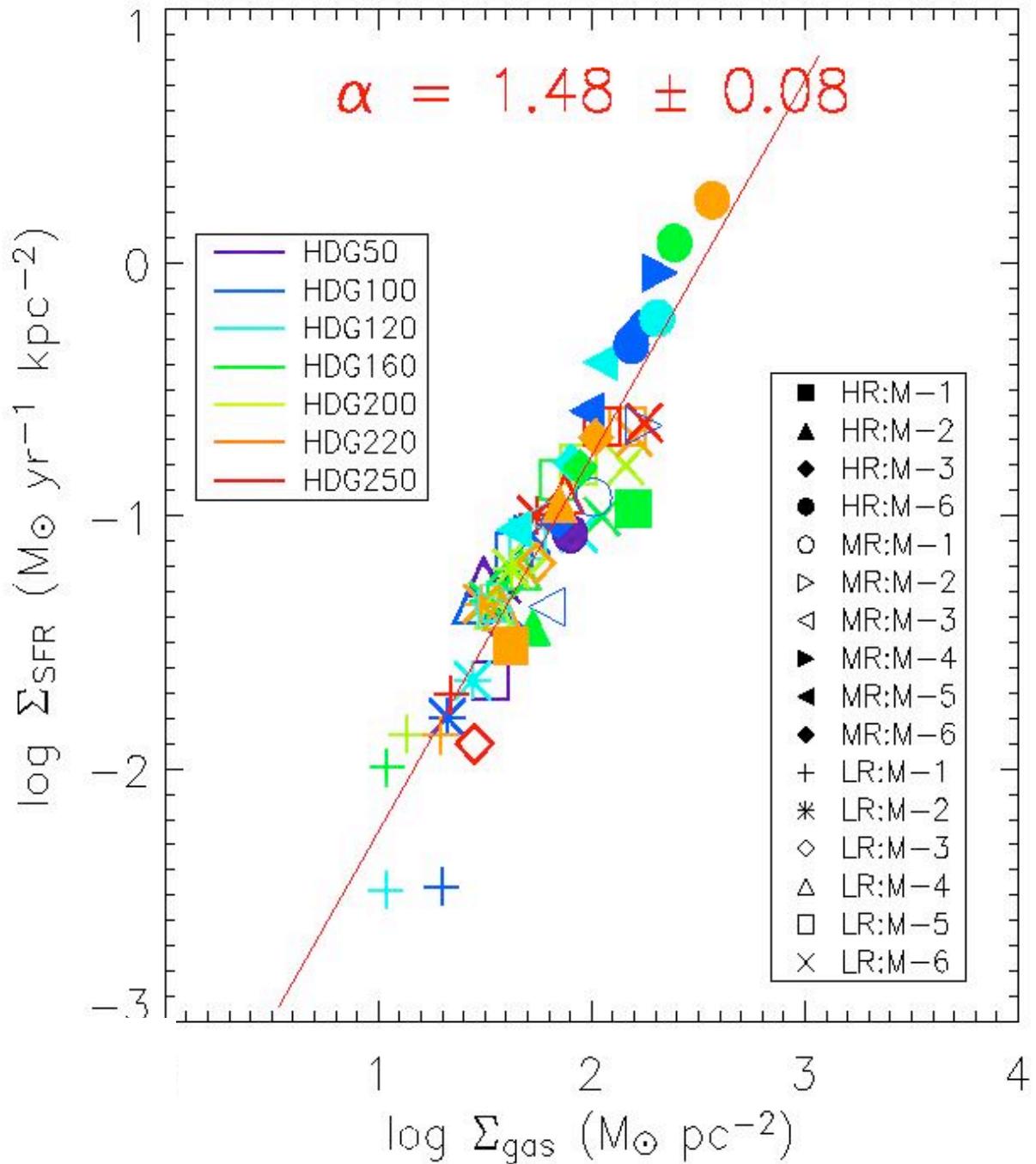
(Li et al 2005, 2006)

SPH + stars + DM  
models of isolated  
disk galaxies with  
several million  
particles

→ begin to resolve  
individual molecular  
clouds

→ we need to care  
about „small-scale“  
physics (i.e. *transition*  
from *atomic* gas to  
*molecular*)

(simple physics: gravity +  
hydrodynamics (isothermal  
EOS) + stellar dynamics  
[stars + DM])



**Result:**  
 gravitational  
 instability alone  
 leads to the  
*Schmidt law*  
 (power-law  
 correlation between  
 star formation and  
 surface density)

$$\Sigma_{\text{SFR}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{gas}}^{1.5}$$

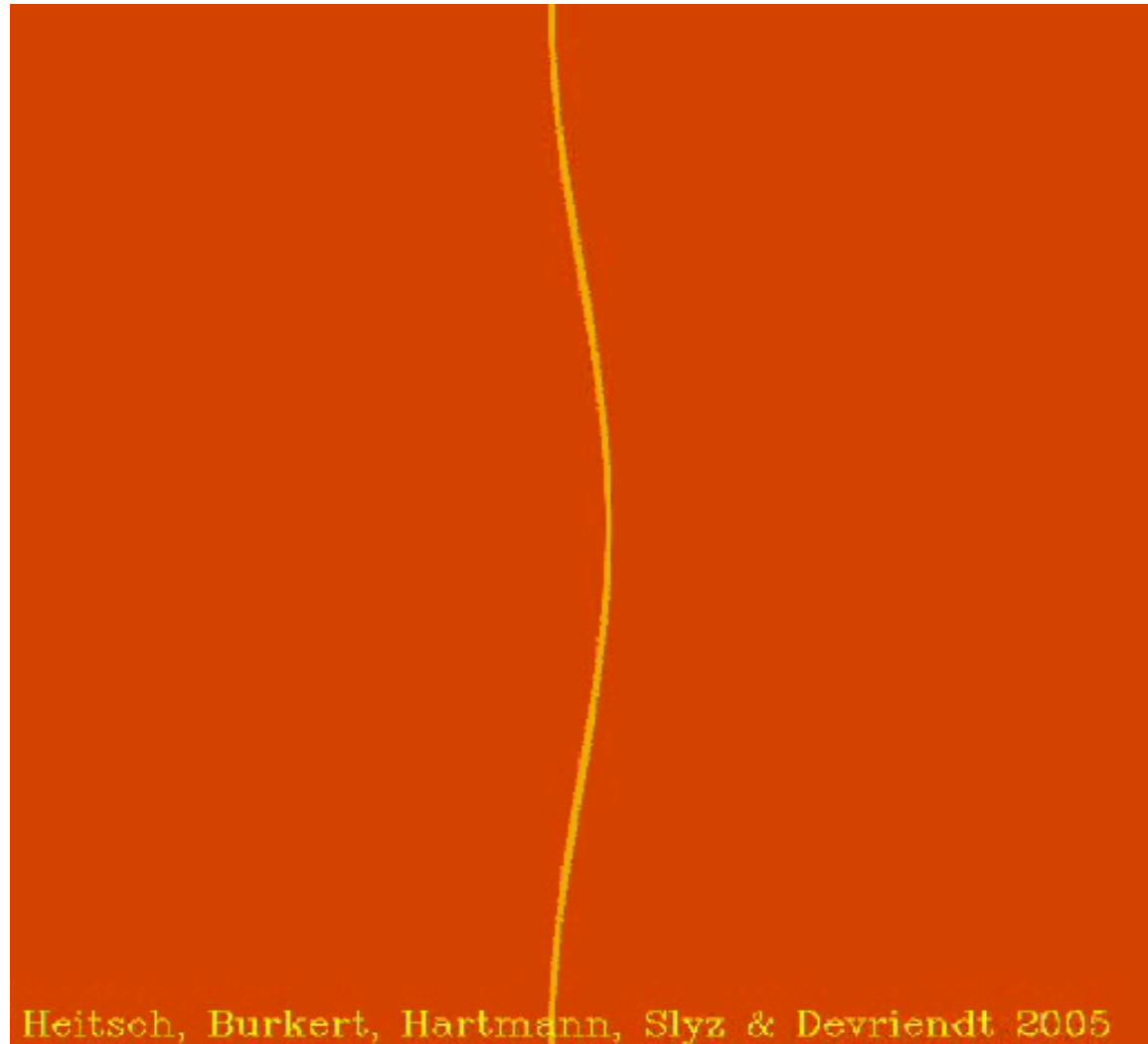
# Molecular cloud formation

- ... in *convergent large-scale flows*
- ... setting up the *turbulent cascade*

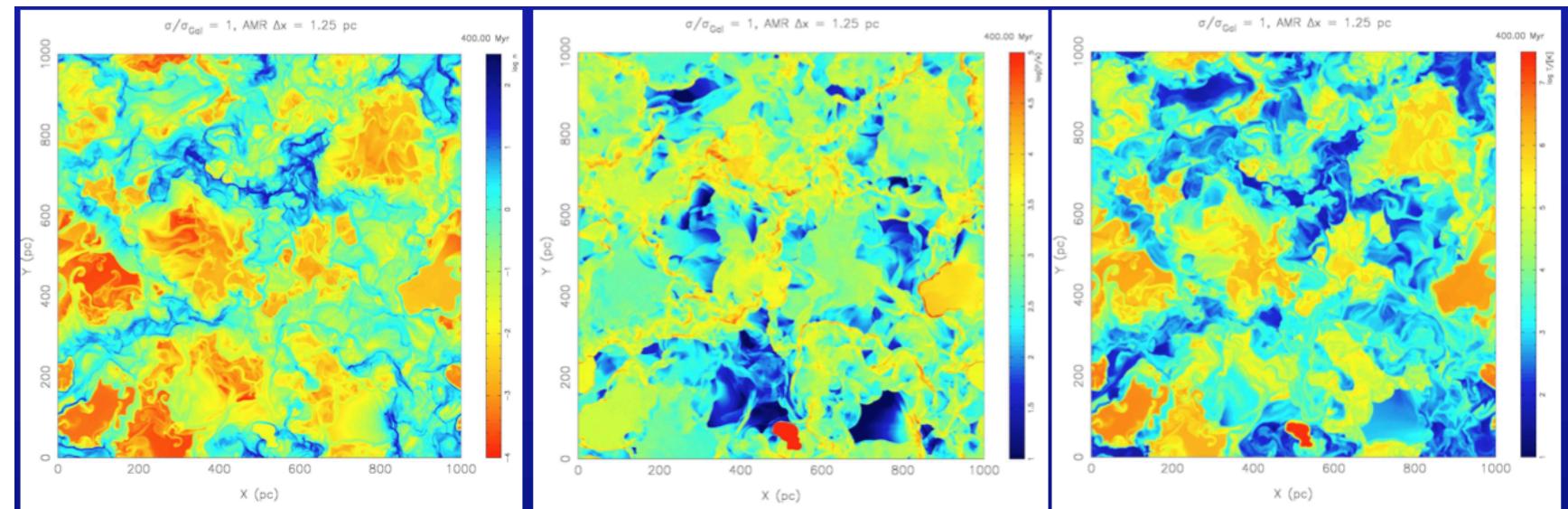
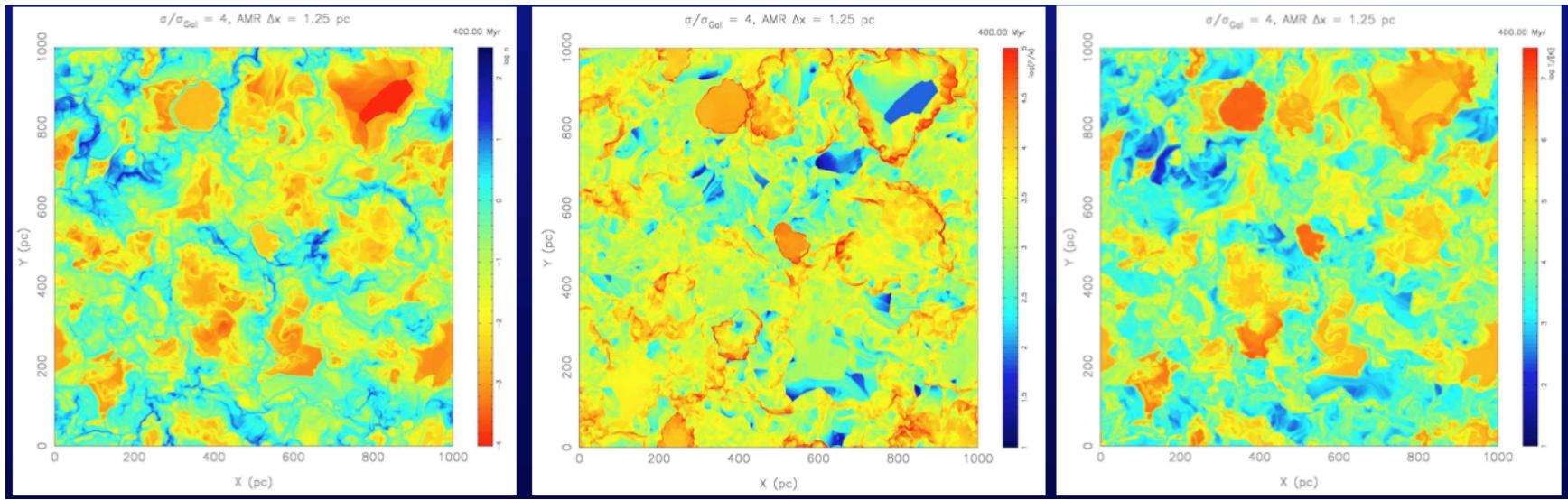
- Mach 3 colliding flow
- Vishniac instability + thermal instability
- compressed sheet *breaks up and builds up cold, high-density „blobs“ of gas*
- --> *molecular cloud formation*
- cold cloud motions correspond to supersonic turbulence



(e.g. Koyama & Inutsuka 2002, Heitsch et al., 2005, Vazquez-Semadeni et al. 2004;  
also posters 8577, 8302)



Heitsch, Burkert, Hartmann, Slyz & Devriendt 2005



# ISM: transition HI to H<sub>2</sub>

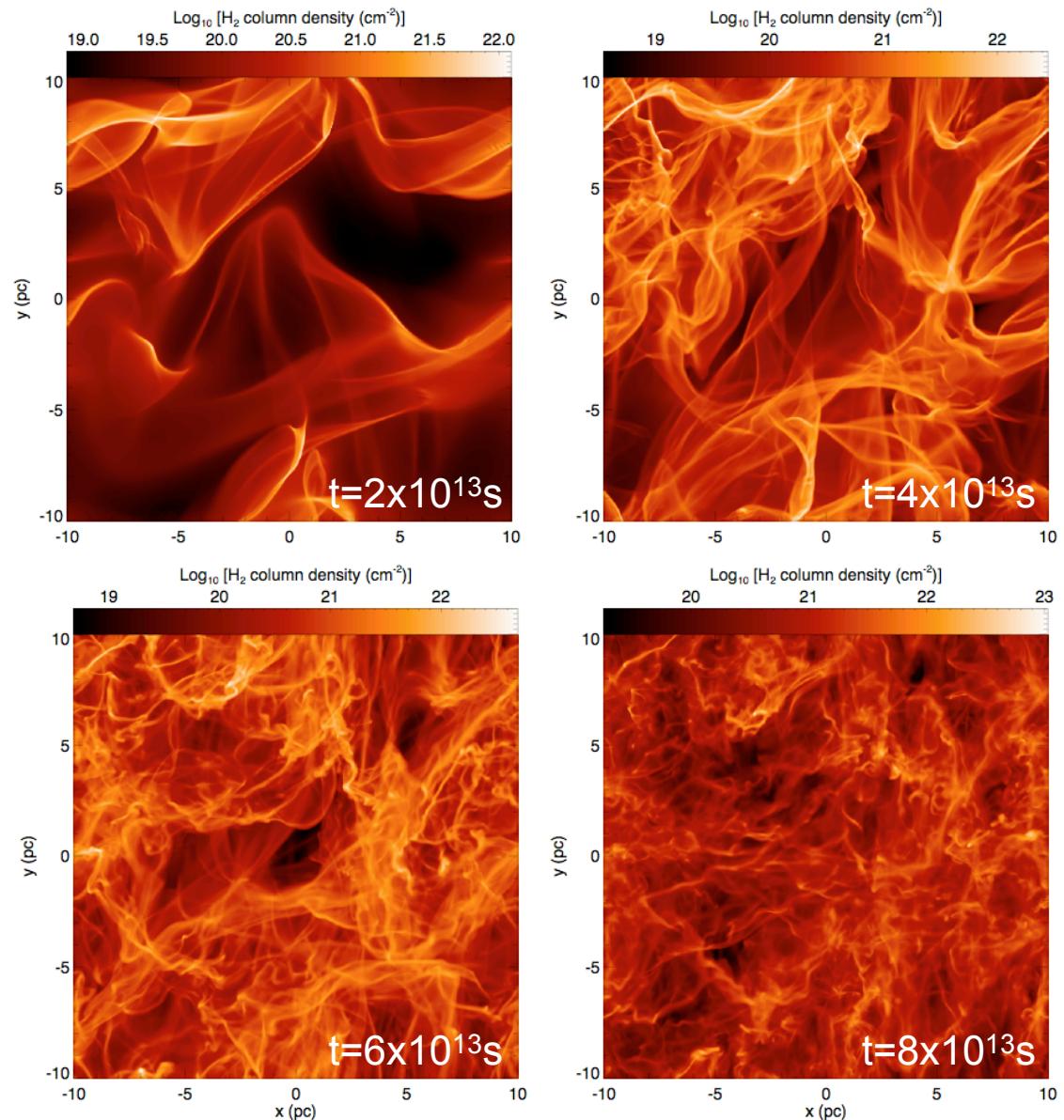
**consistent models of ISM dynamics require to go beyond the simple models!**

- magnetohydrodynamics  
(account for large-scale dynamics  
+ turbulence)
- time-dependent chemistry  
(reduced network, focus on few dominant species, e.g. H<sub>2</sub>)
- radiation (currently simple assumptions)

H<sub>2</sub> forms rapidly in shocks / transient density fluctuations / H<sub>2</sub> gets destroyed slowly in low density regions / result: turbulence greatly enhances H<sub>2</sub>-formation rate



(Glover & Mac Low 2006ab:)



# Reduced chemical network

Table 1. The set of chemical reactions that make up our model of non-equilibrium hydrogen chemistry.

Reaction	Reference
1. $H + H + \text{grain} \rightarrow H_2 + \text{grain}$	Hollenbach & McKee (1979)
2. $H_2 + H \rightarrow 3H$	Mac Low & Shull (1986) (low density), Lepp & Shull (1983) (high density)
3. $H_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2H + H_2$	Martin, Keogh & Mandy (1998) (low density) Shapiro & Kang (1987) (high density)
4. $H_2 + \gamma \rightarrow 2H$	See § 2.2.1
5. $H + \text{c.r.} \rightarrow H^+ + e^-$	Liszt (2003)
6. $H + e^- \rightarrow H^+ + 2e^-$	Abel <i>et al.</i> (1997)
7. $H^+ + e^- \rightarrow H + \gamma$	Ferland <i>et al.</i> (1992)
8. $H^+ + \text{grain} \rightarrow H + \text{grain}$	Weingartner & Draine (2001)

here:  $e^-$ ,  $H^+$ ,  $H$ ,  $H_2$

in primordial gas we do:

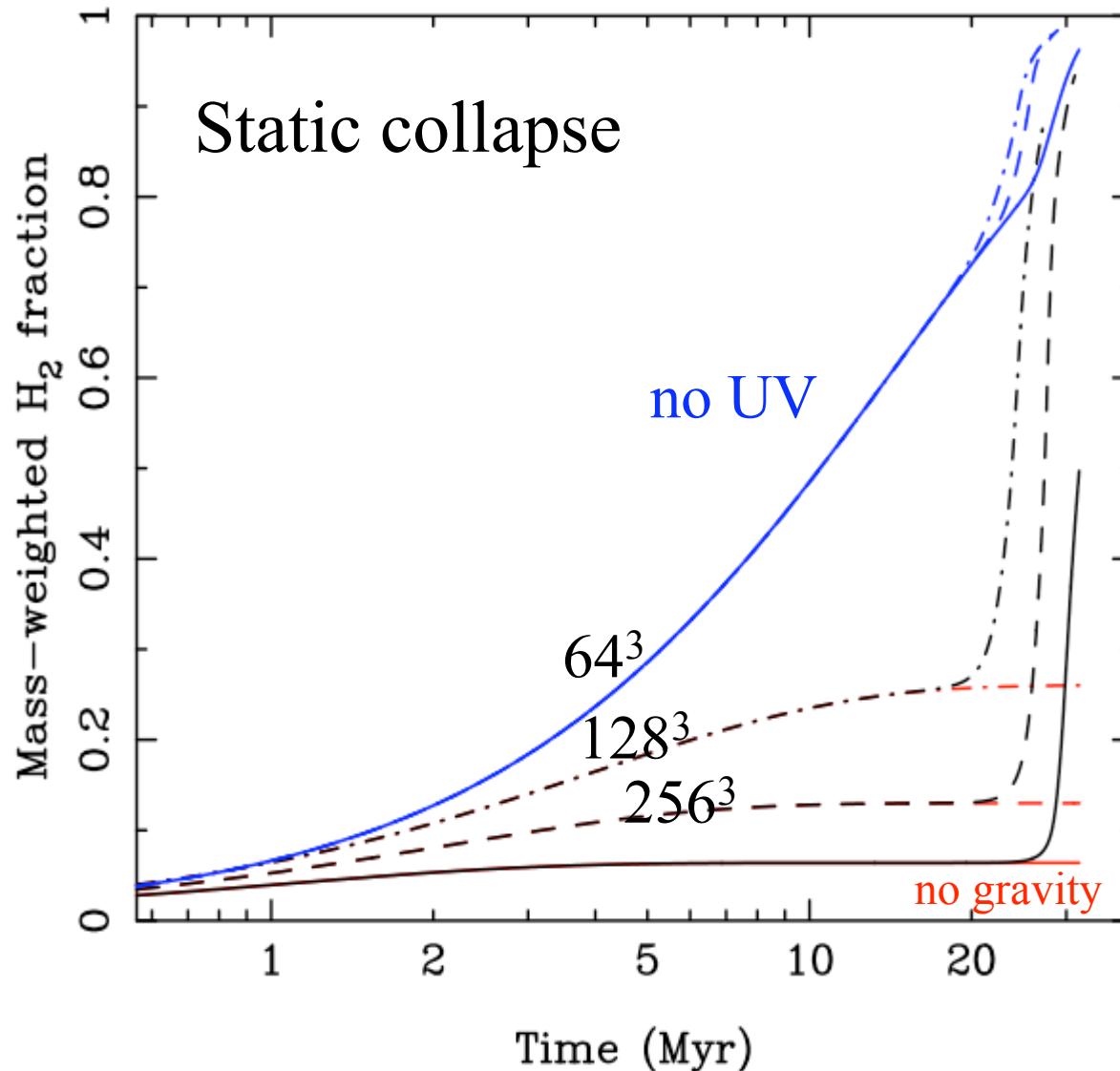
$e^-$ ,  $H^+$ ,  $H$ ,  $H^-$ ,  $H_2^+$ ,  $H_2$ ,  $C$ ,  $C^+$ ,  $O$ ,  $O^+$

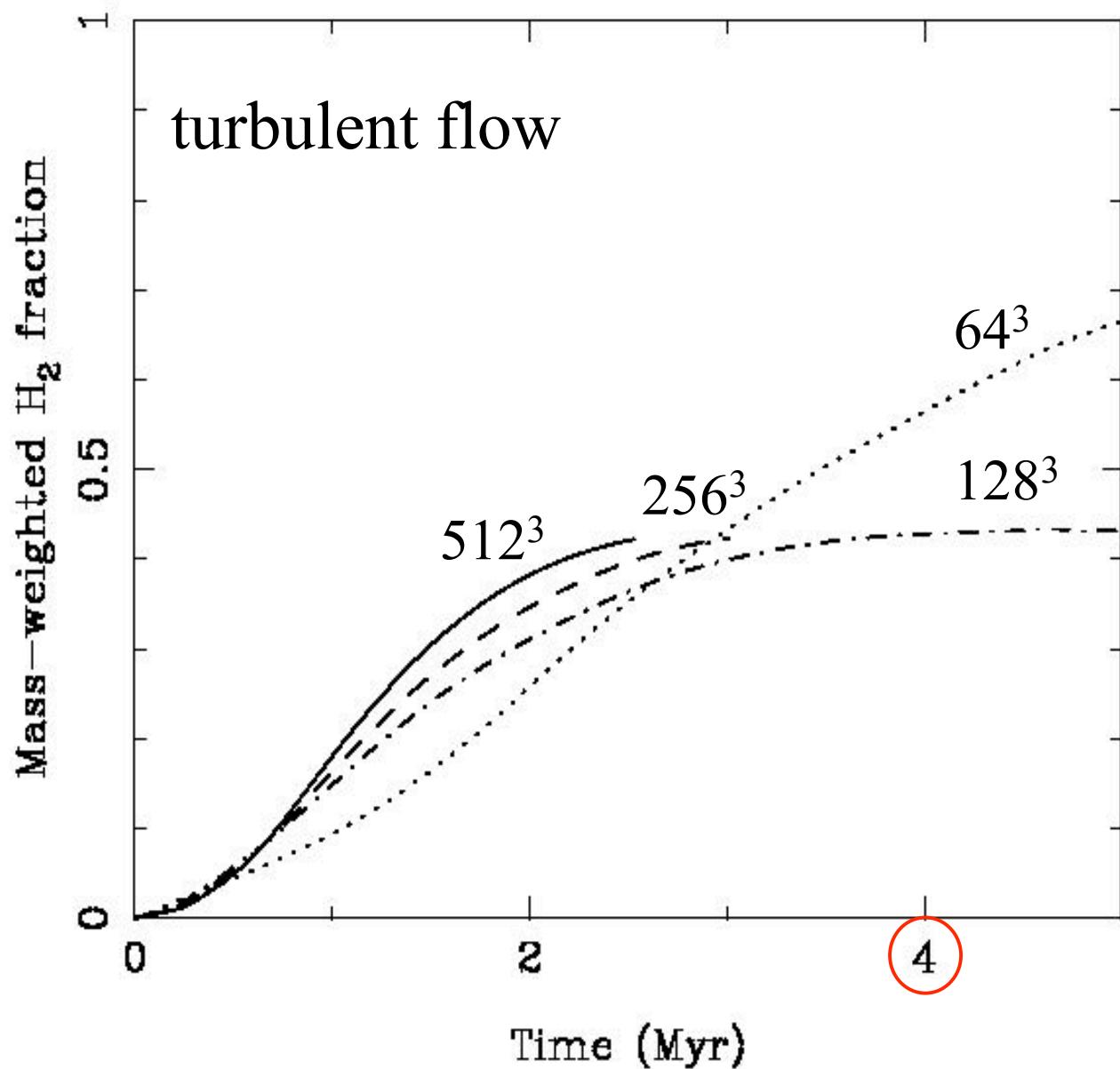


(Glover & Mac Low 2006ab)

Table 2. Processes included in our thermal model.

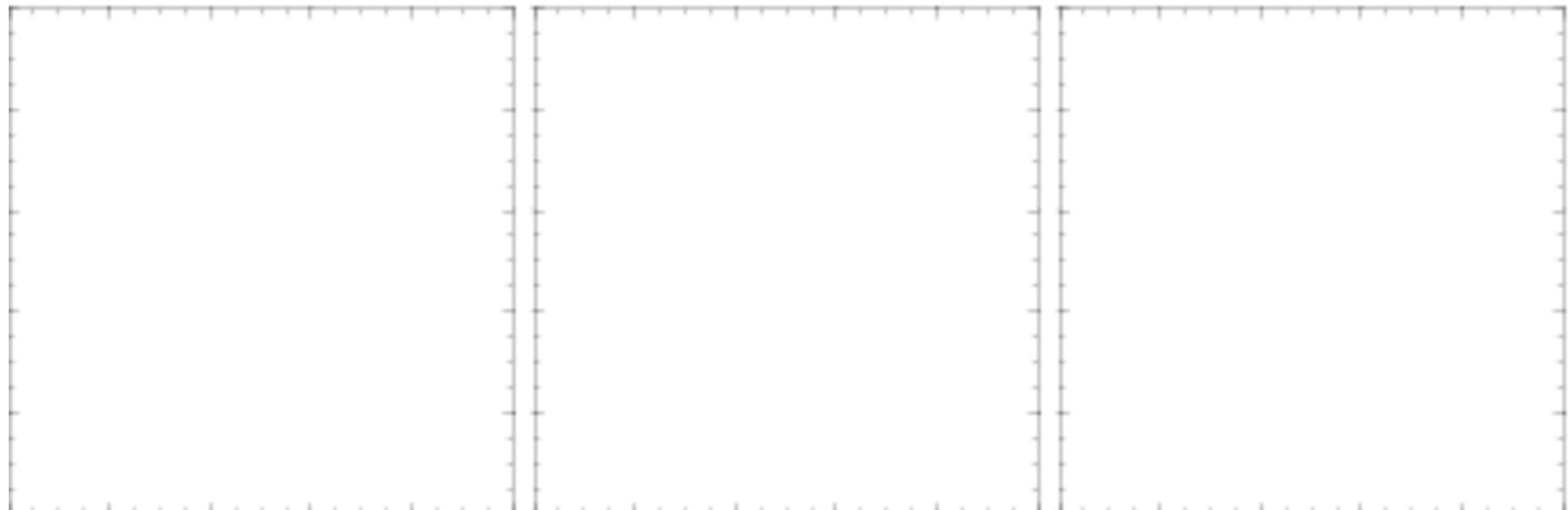
Process	References
<b>Cooling:</b>	
$\text{CII}$ fine structure lines	Atomic data – Silva & Viegas (2002) Collisional rates ( $H_2$ ) – Flower & Launay (1977) Collisional rates ( $H$ , $T < 2000$ K) – Hollenbach & McKee (1989) Collisional rates ( $H$ , $T > 2000$ K) – Keenan <i>et al.</i> (1986) Collisional rates ( $e^-$ ) – Wilson & Bell (2002)
$\text{OI}$ fine structure lines	Atomic data – Silva & Viegas (2002) Collisional rates ( $H$ , $H_2$ ) – Flower, priv. comm. Collisional rates ( $e^-$ ) – Bell, Berrington & Thomas (1998) Collisional rates ( $H^+$ ) – Pequignot (1990, 1996)
$\text{SiII}$ fine structure lines	Atomic data – Silva & Viegas (2002) Collisional rates ( $H$ ) – Roueff (1990) Collisional rates ( $e^-$ ) – Dufton & Kingston (1991) Le Bourlot, Pineau des Forets & Flower (1999)
$H_2$ rovibrational lines	Hollenbach & McKee (1989)
Gas-grain energy transfer <sup>1</sup>	Wolfire <i>et al.</i> (2003)
Recombination on grains	
Atomic resonance lines	Sutherland & Dopita (1993)
$H$ collisional ionization	Abel <i>et al.</i> (1997)
$H_2$ collisional dissociation	See Table 1
<b>Heating:</b>	
Photoelectric effect	Bakes & Tielens (1994); Wolfire <i>et al.</i> (2003)
$H_2$ photodissociation	Black & Dalgarno (1977)
UV pumping of $H_2$	Burton, Hollenbach & Tielens (1990)
$H_2$ formation on dust grains	Hollenbach & McKee (1989)
Cosmic ray ionization	Goldsmith & Langer (1978)





# Gravitational collapse within MCs

state of the art 5 years ago: SPH with  $N \leq 10^6$  particles



(Klessen et al.)

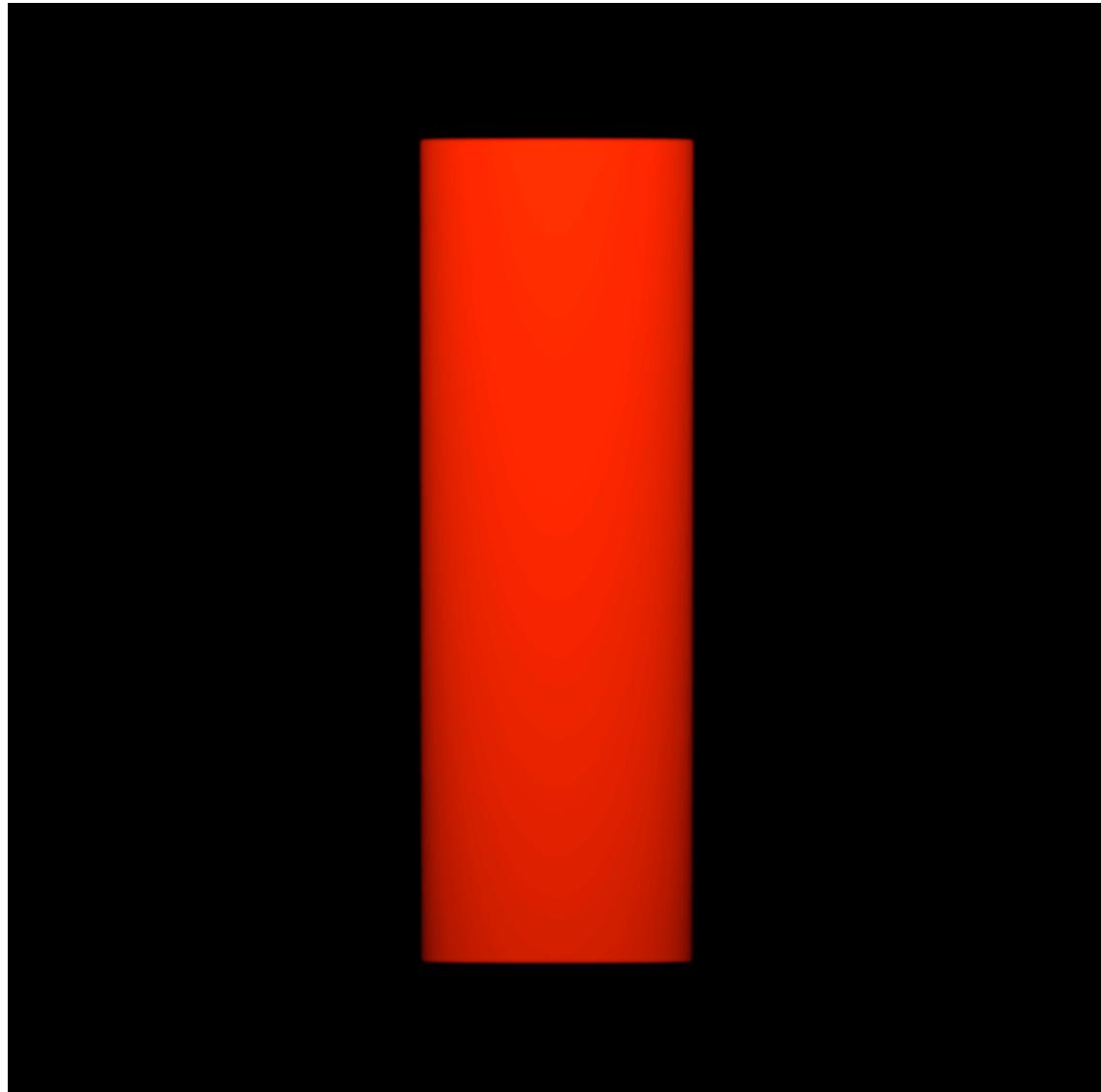
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today: SPH with  
 $N > 10^7$  particles

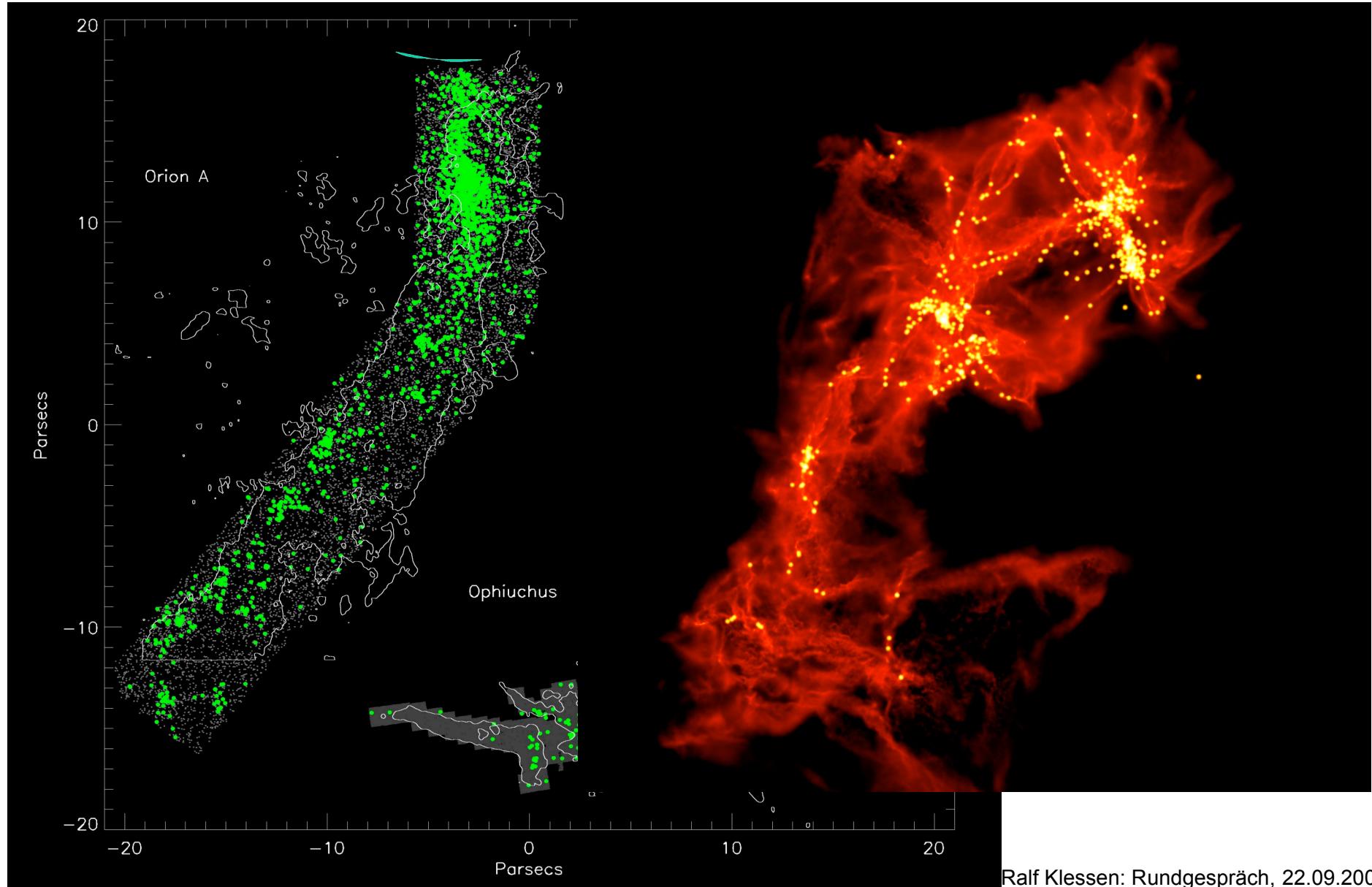
model for the Orion cloud:  
 $M = 10^4 M_{\text{sun}}$ , isothermal  
EOS

still no *chemistry*, no  
*stellar feedback*, no  
*radiation*



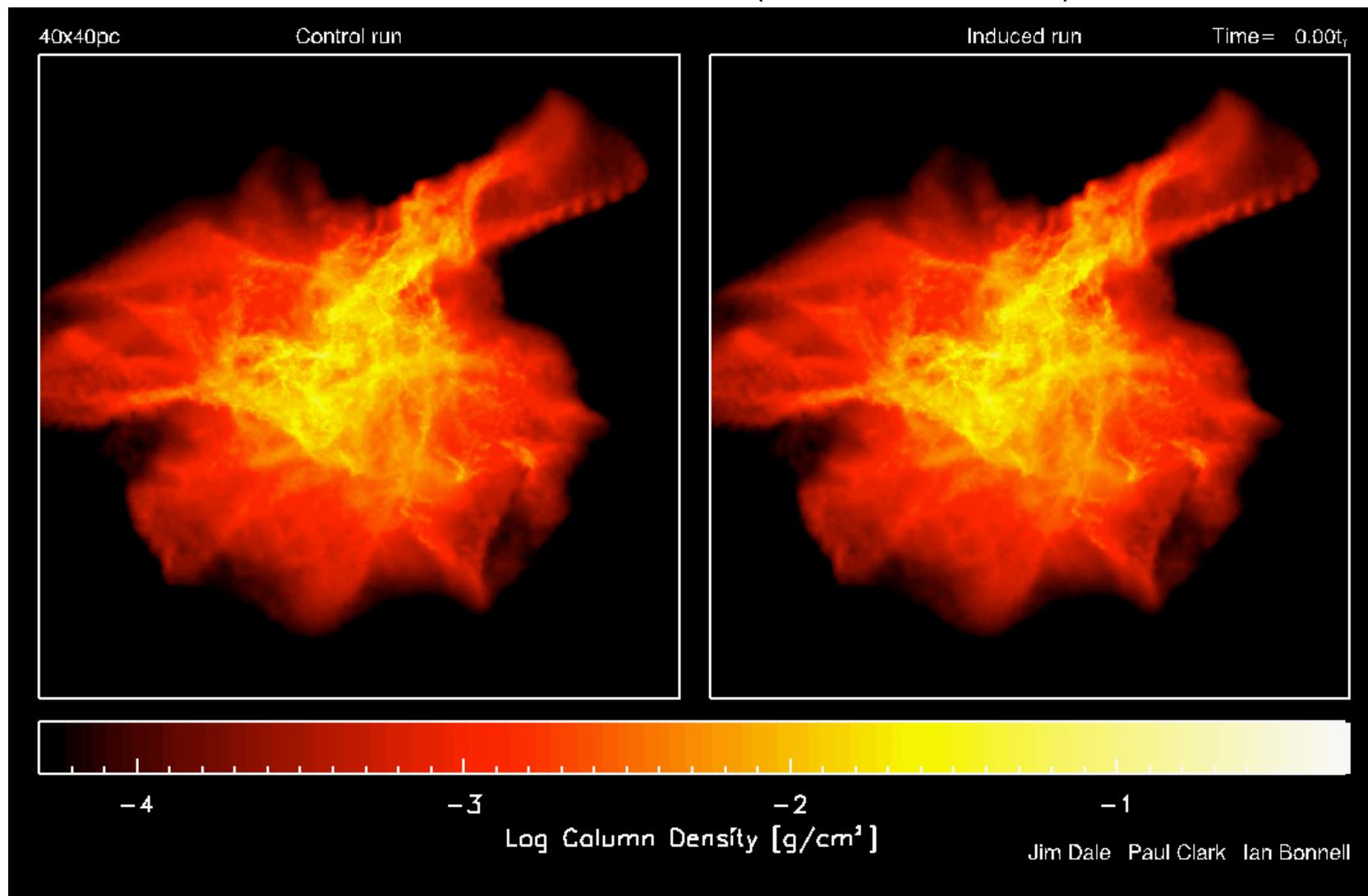
(Bonnell et al. 2006)

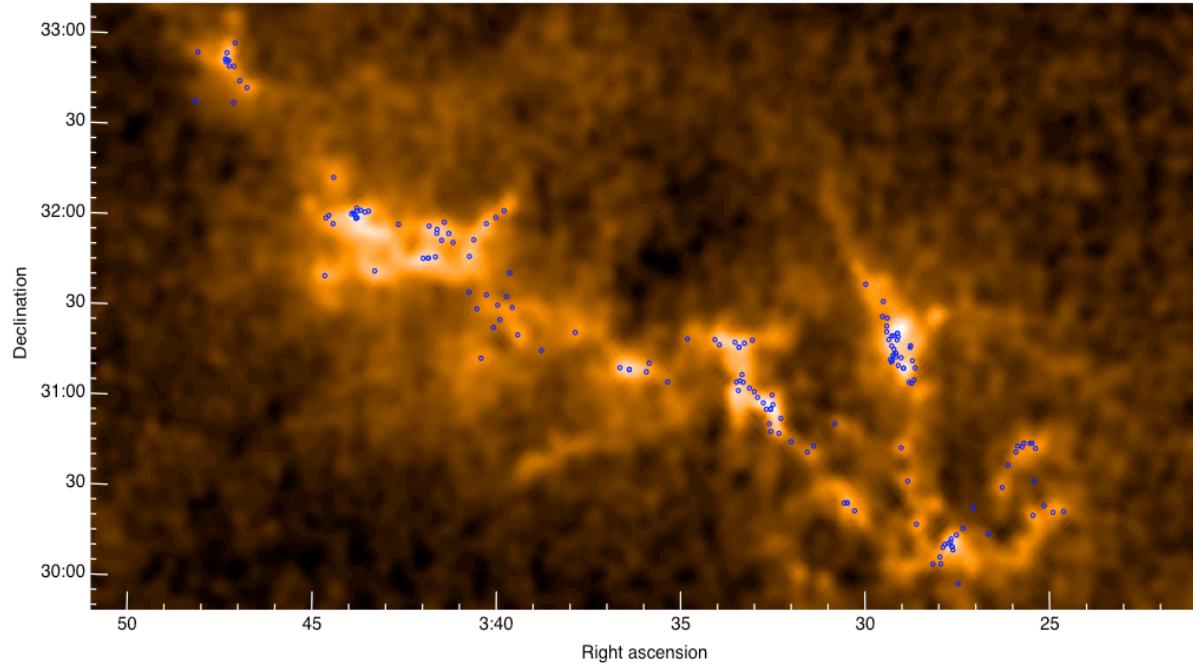
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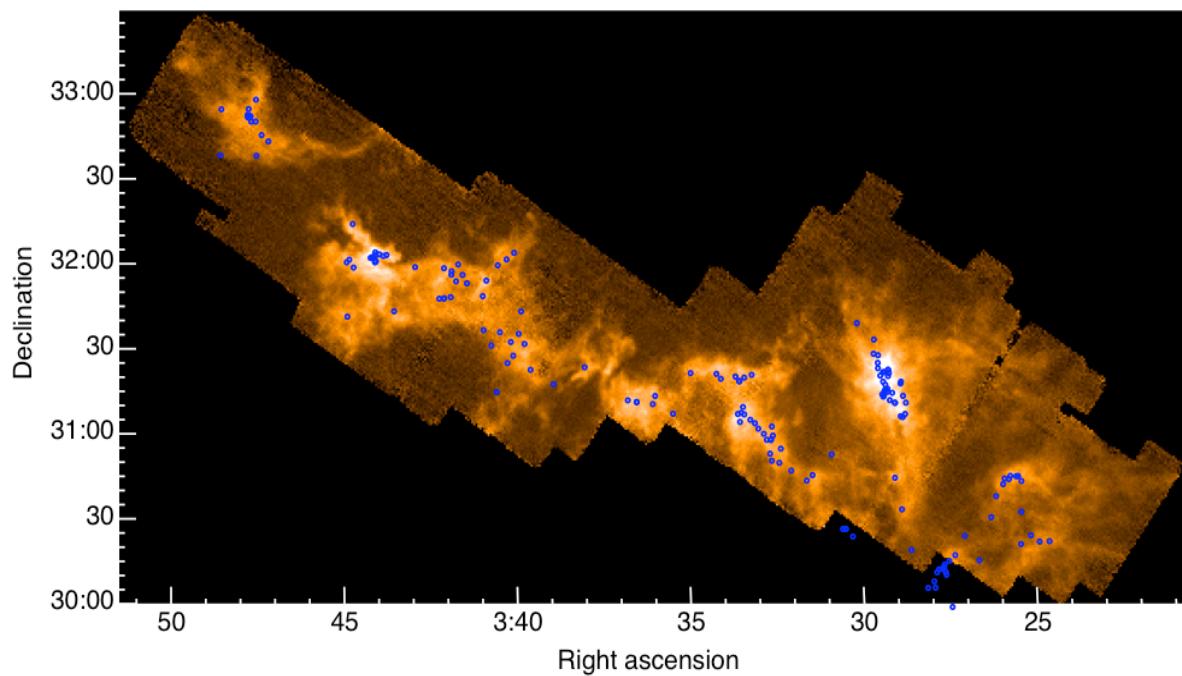
immediate future: SPH with radiation feedback (first validation runs)





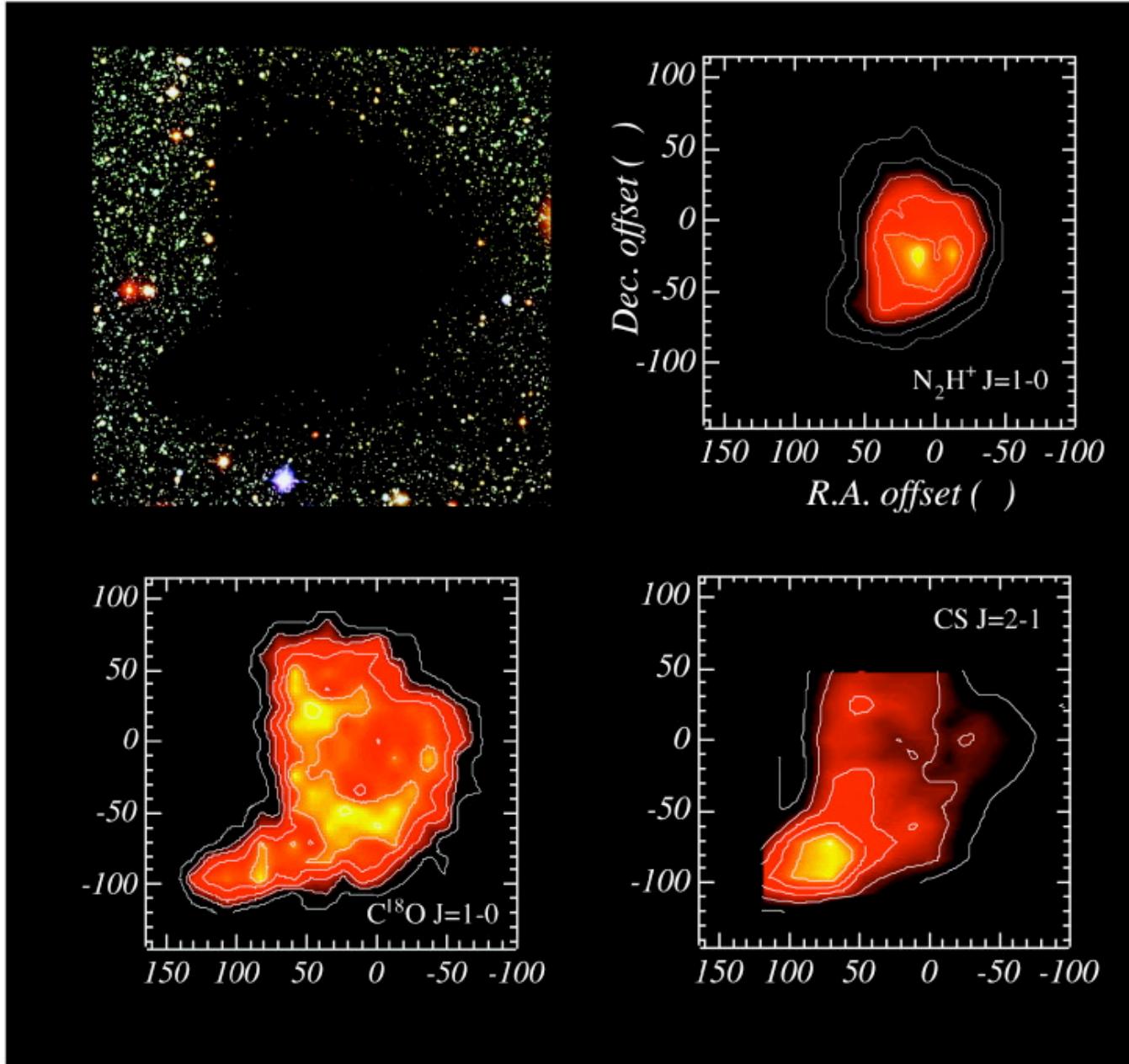
## IRAM Observations

- N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup> and C<sup>18</sup>O
- 15 arcsecond res.
  - ~3000 AU
- N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup> dense gas tracer
  - Most SCUBA
  - Few extinction!



(Perseus: Johnstone et al. )

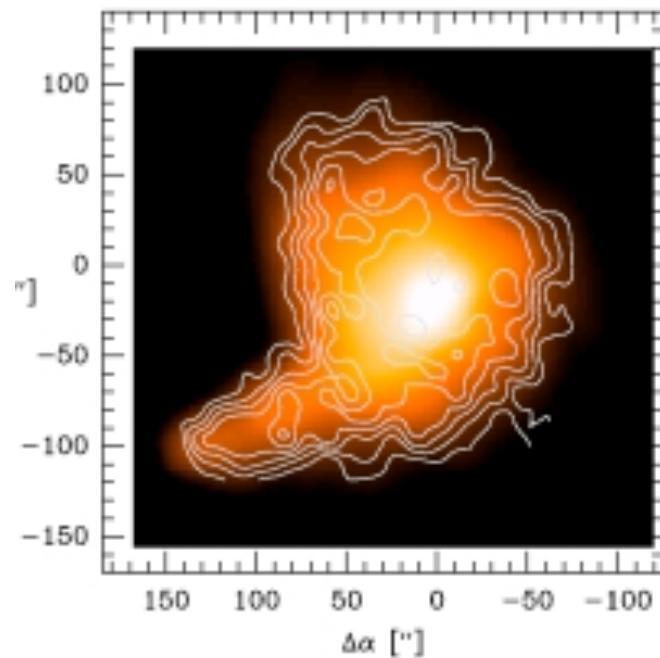
Barnard 68: a well-studied isolated prestellar core



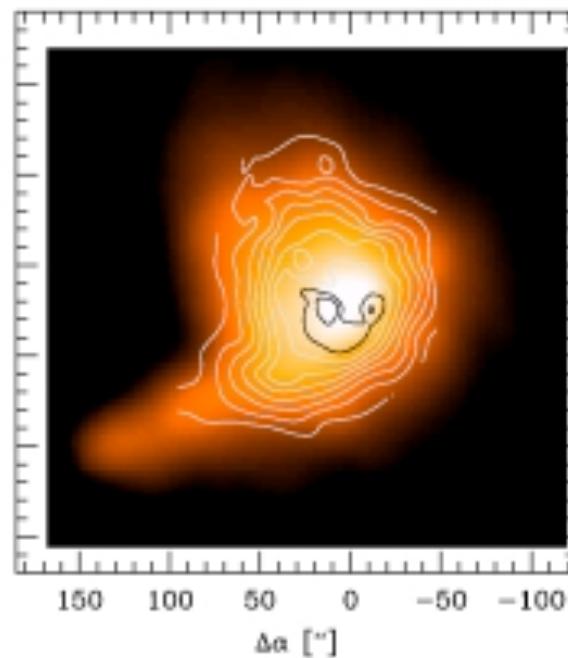
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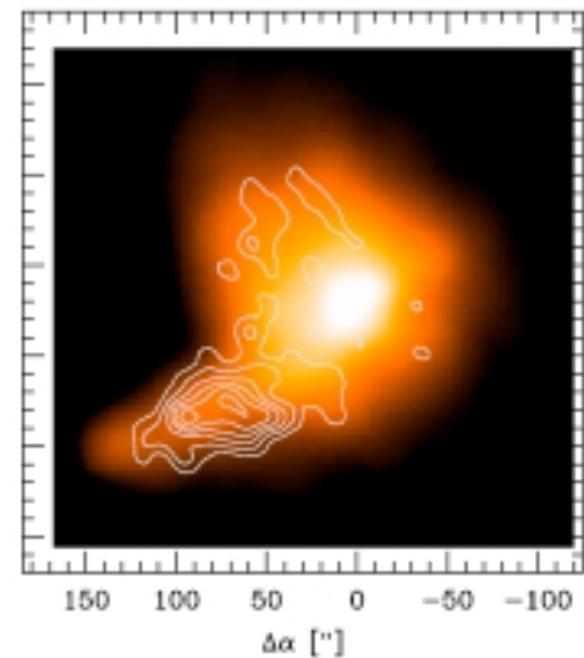
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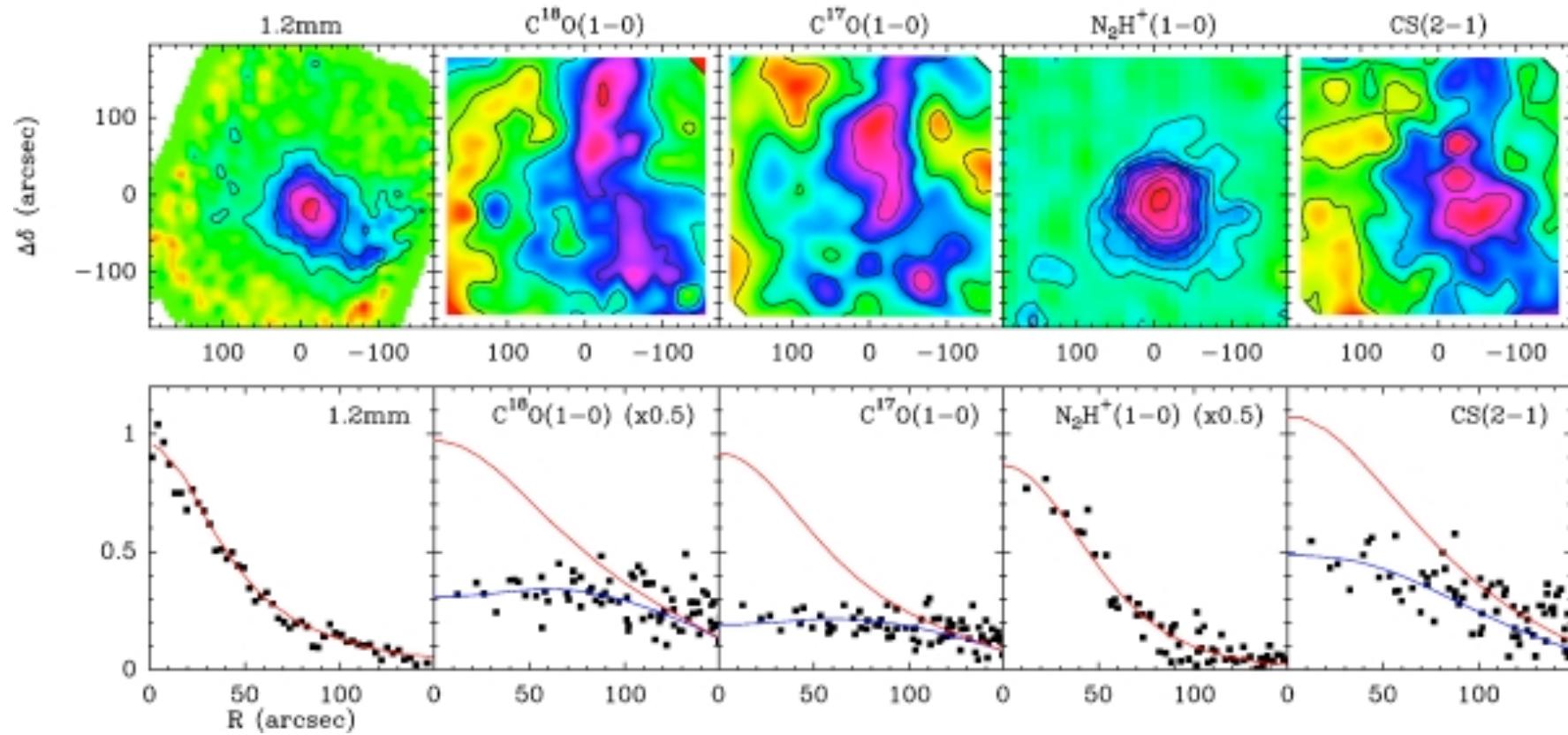
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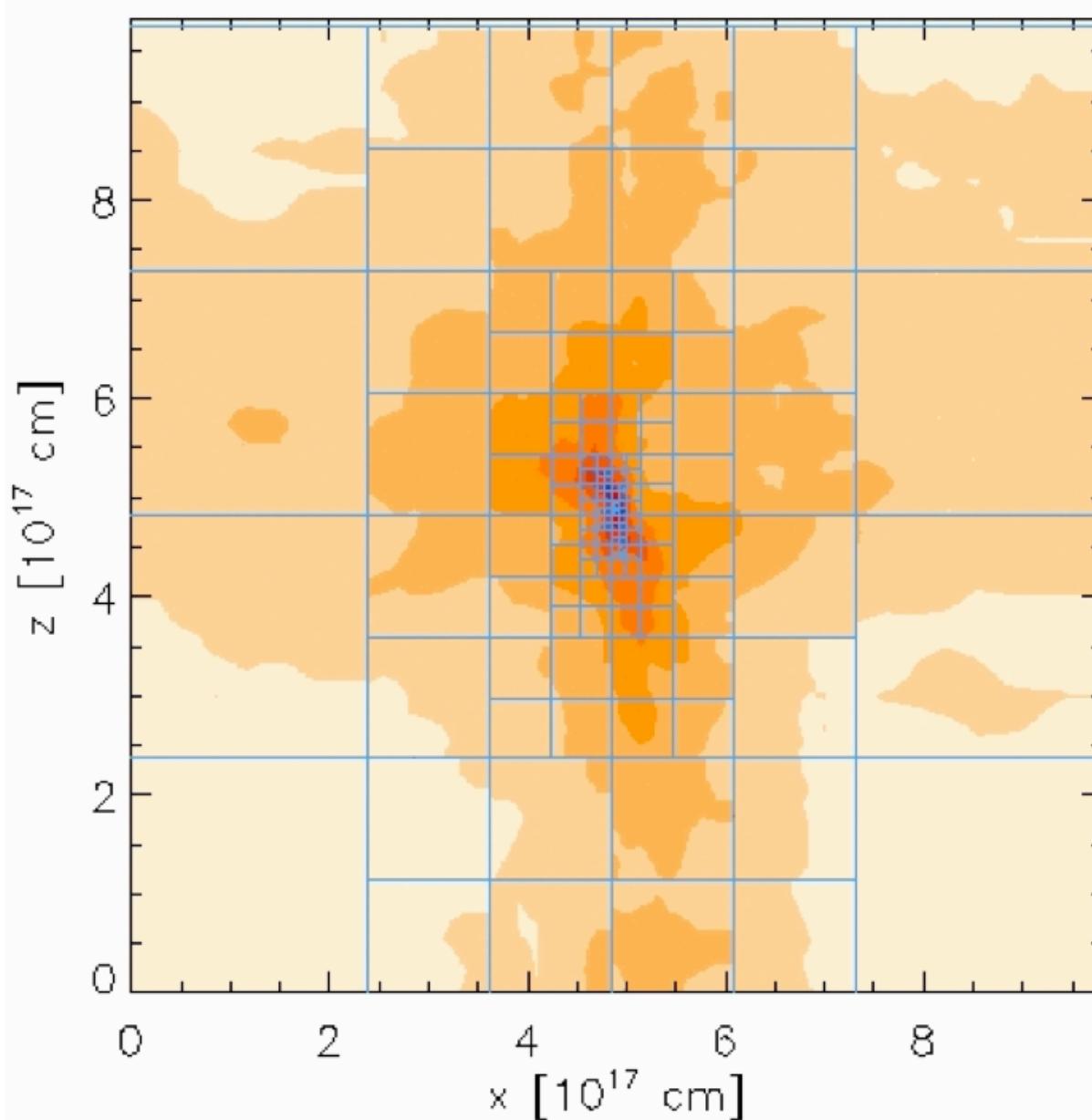


CS (3-2)



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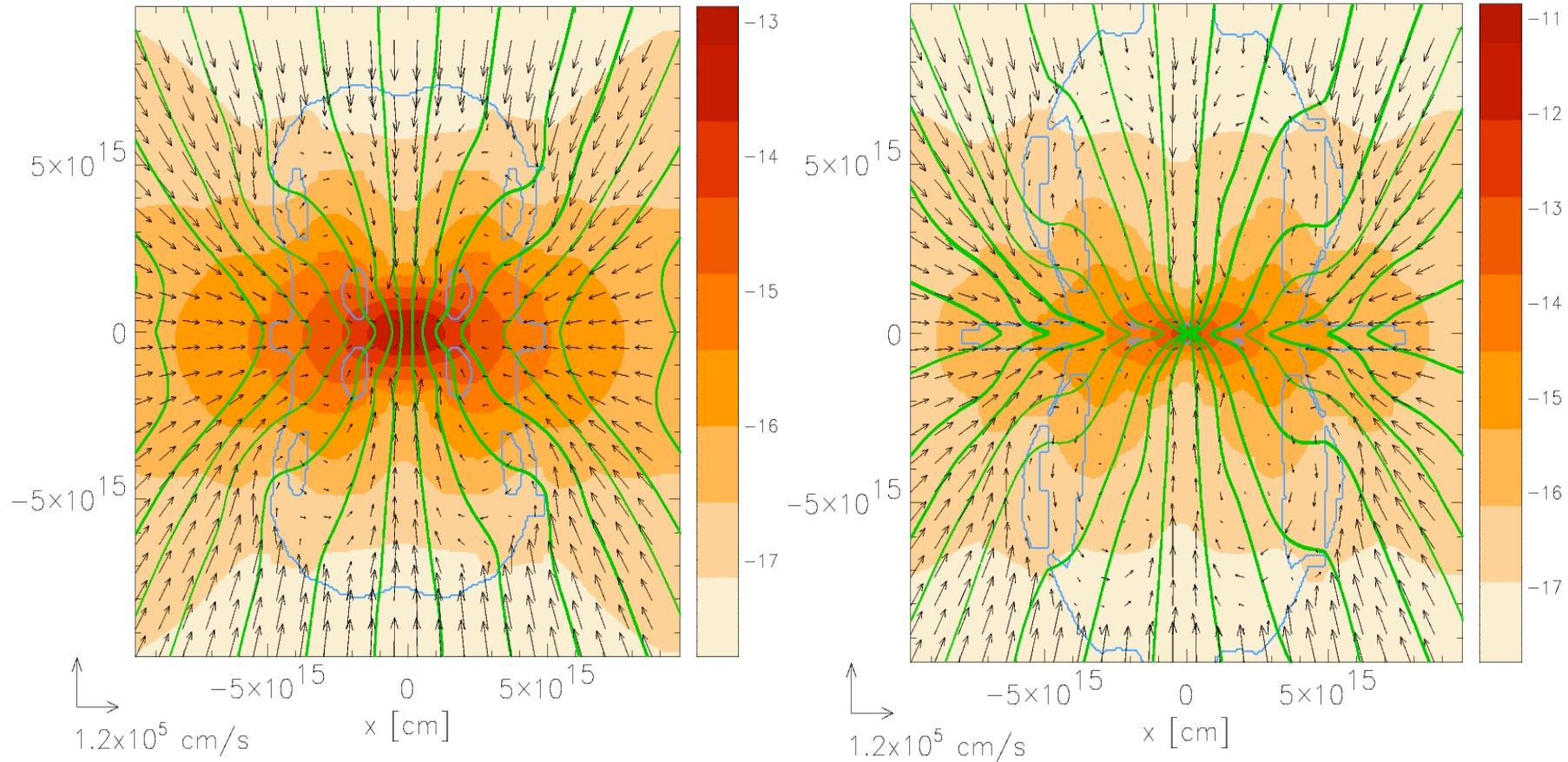




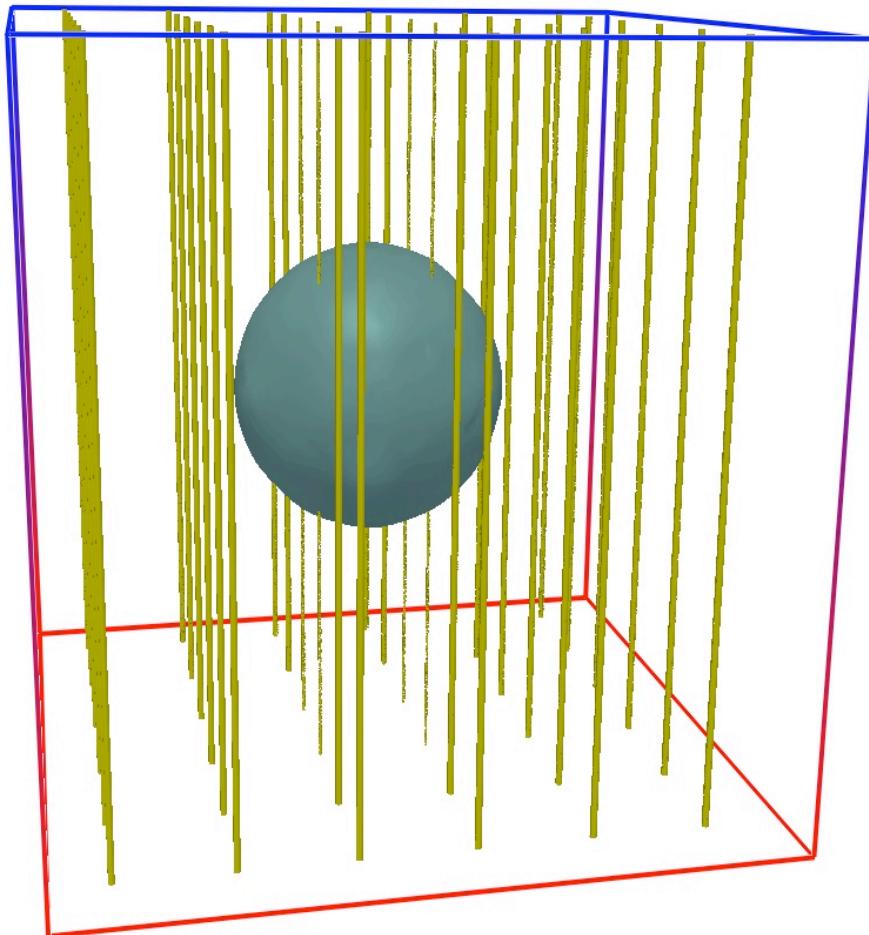
## adaptive mesh refinement:

computational grid gets refined in regions of high interest (e.g. protostellar cores)

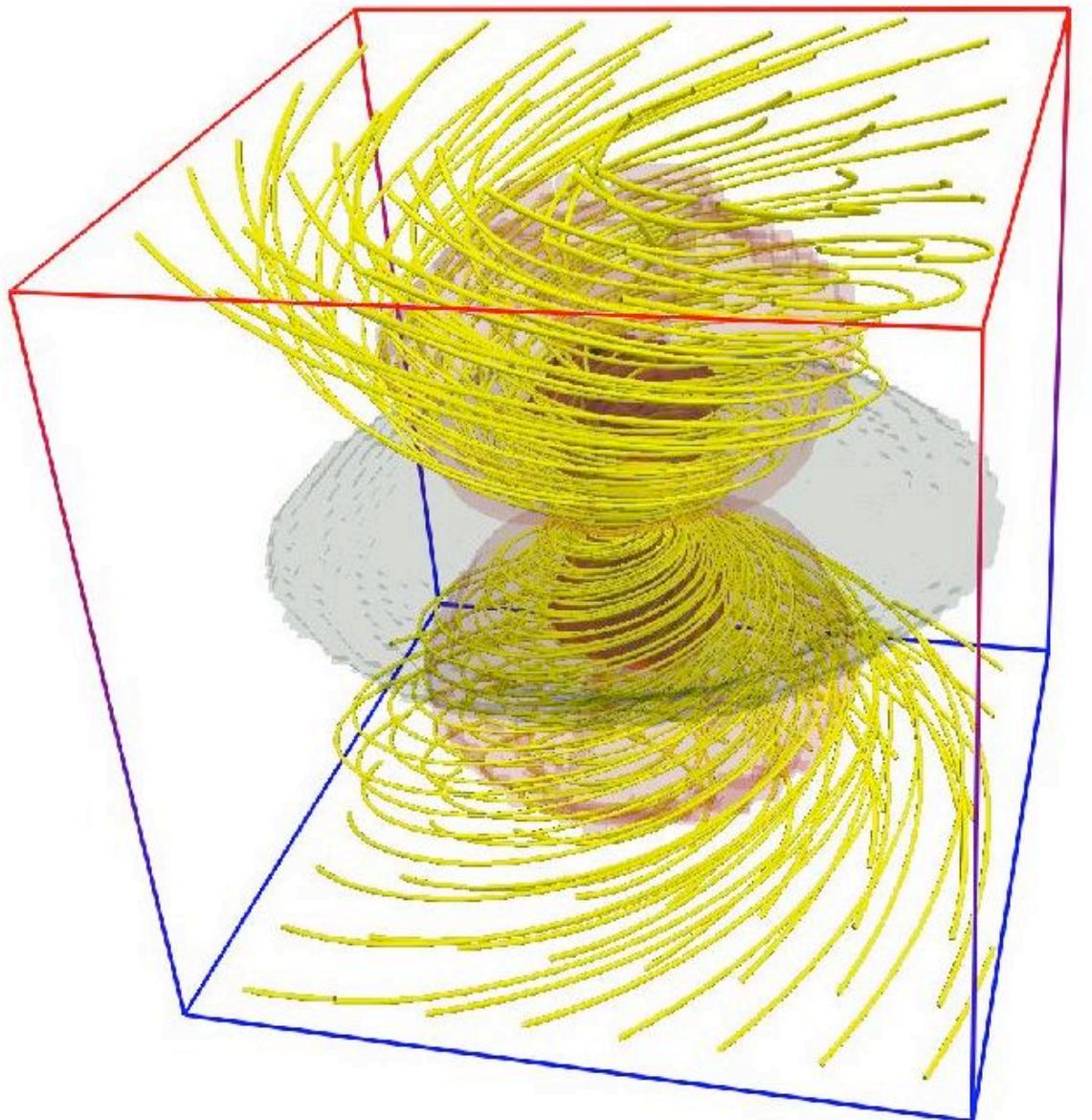
formation of 30  $M_{\text{sun}}$  core in turbulent molecular cloud (FLASH with appropriate cooling curve module and turbulent driving)



These 2D snapshots show the onset of the **large scale outflow**. After ca. 70.000 years into the collapse a strong toroidal magnetic field builds up whose magnetic pressure reverses the gas flow and drives an outflow (time difference between these snapshots: 1400 years).



Initially a magnetic field aligned with the rotation axis of the cloud core threads the entire simulation box. The field strength varies slightly (3.4 – 14 micro Gauss) along the equatorial plane to maintain a constant plasma  $b = 8\rho p/B^2$ . In this configuration, prior to the gravitational collapse the sphere loses a considerable amount of angular momentum from ‘magnetic braking’ (Mouschovias & Paleologou, 1980).

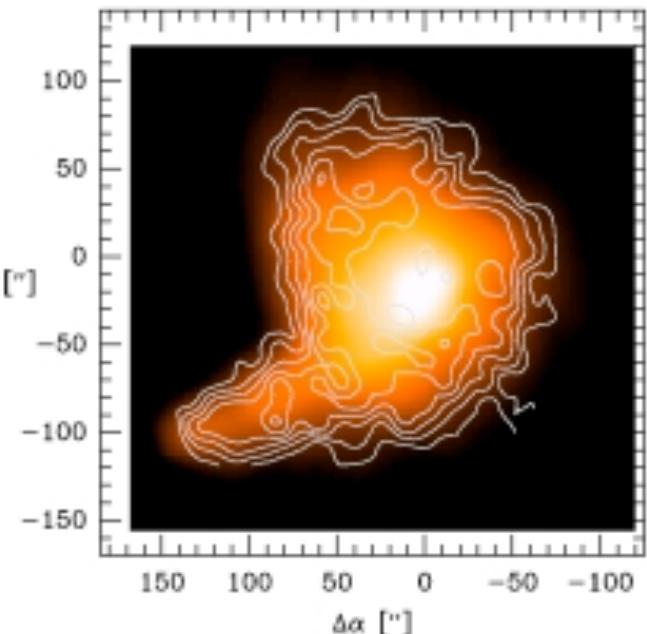
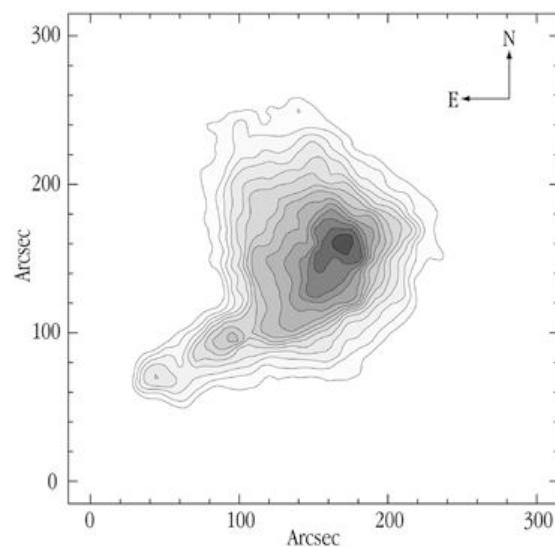
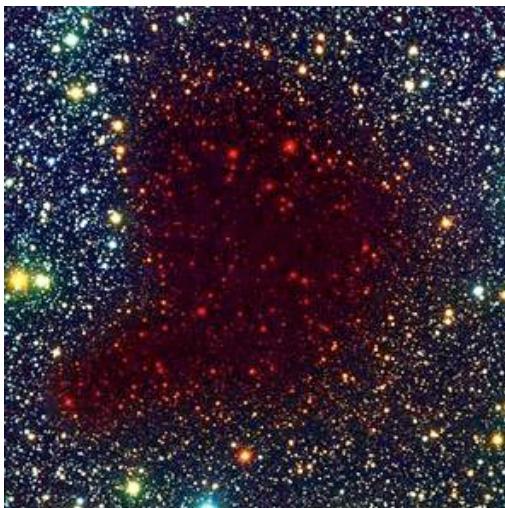


The 3D structure of the magnetic field line configuration in the **jet** launching region.

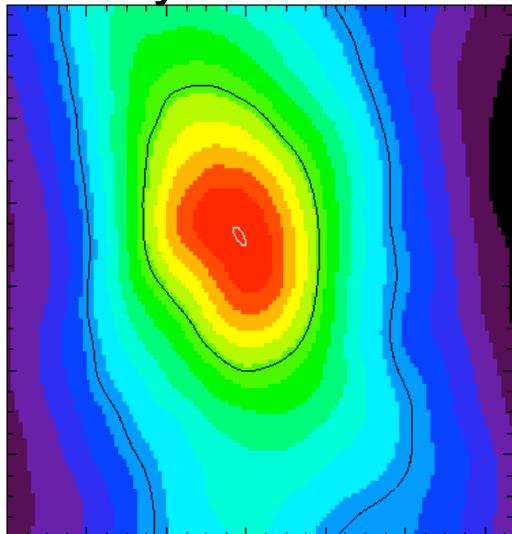
As predicted by analytics the magneto-centrifugally driven disk jet is faster in the inner region (dark red) than further away from the outflow axis (light red).

$C^{18}O$  (1-0)

## observations



## theory



MHD model  
with proper  
heating and  
cooling terms  
(EOS)

+  
chemical  
model

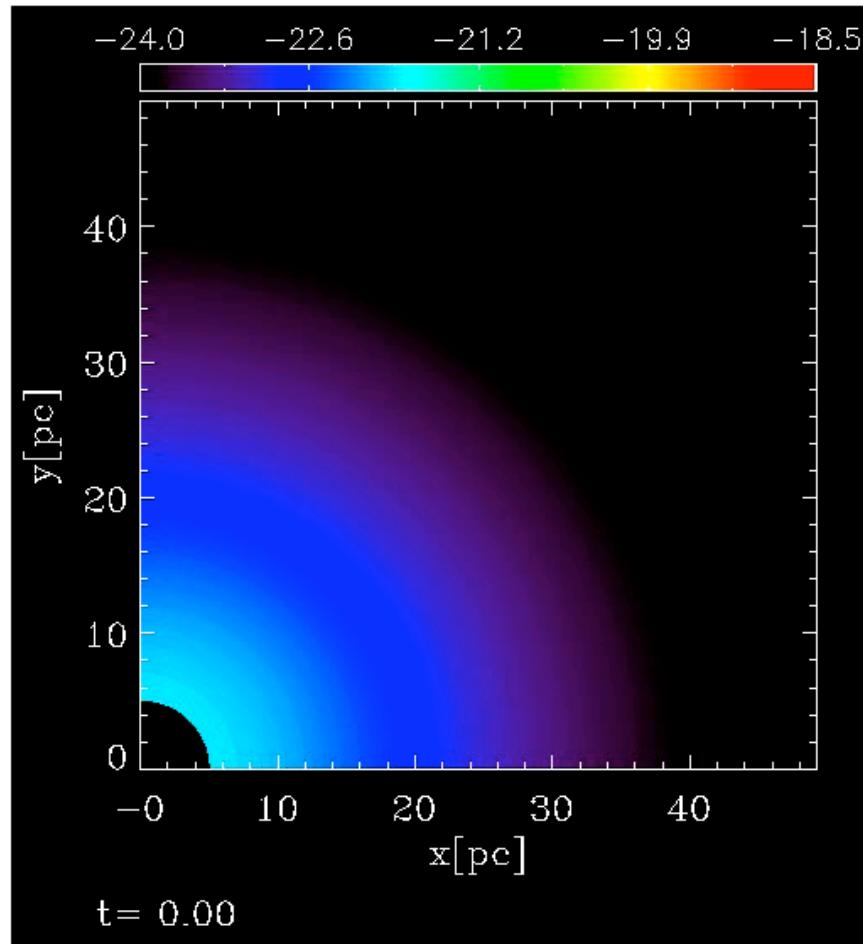
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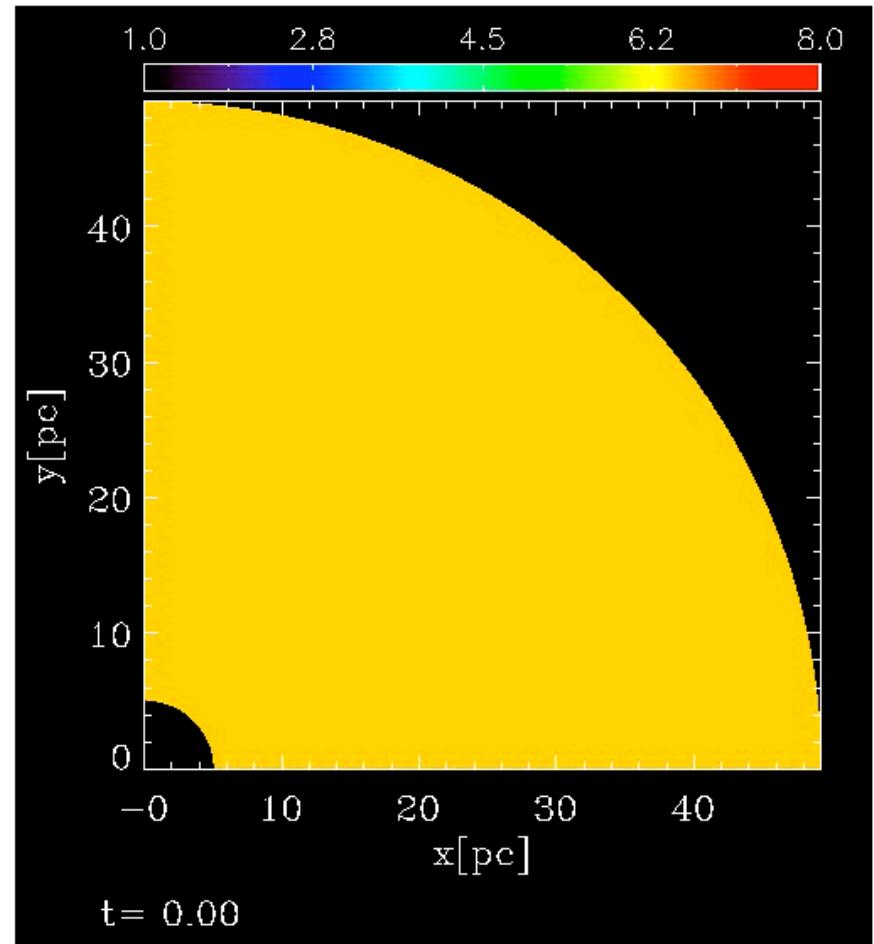
compare

(e.g. Semenov & Pavlyuchenkov)  
(3D core structure: Steinacker)

# cold, dusty AGN tori

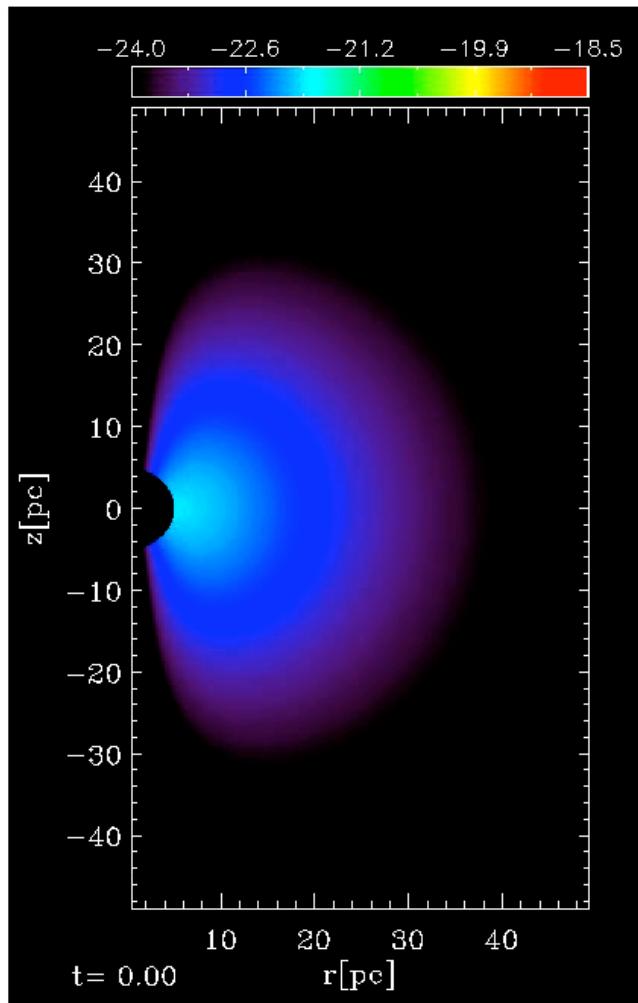


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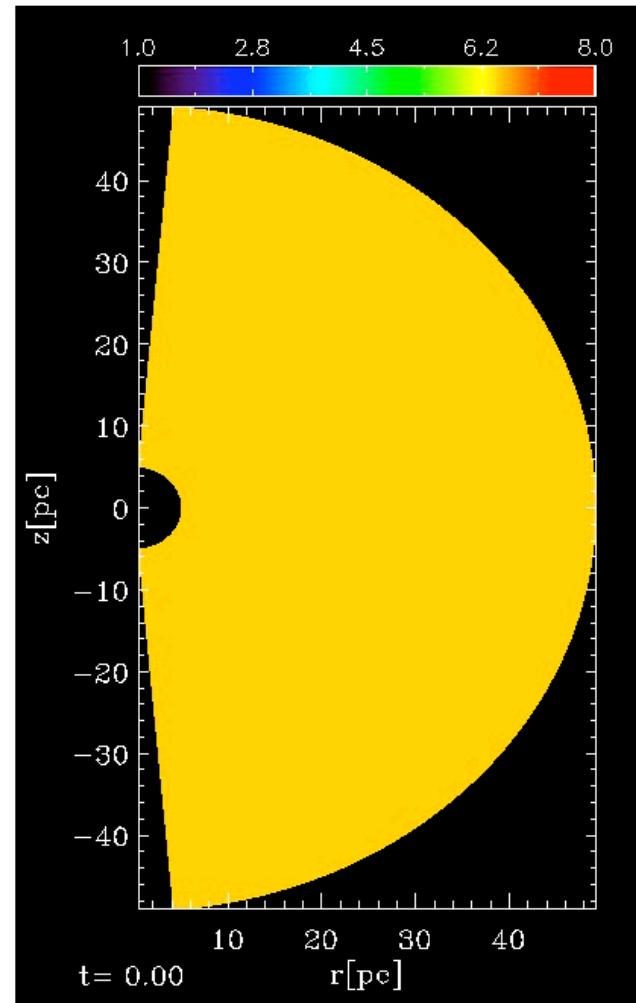


temperature distribution

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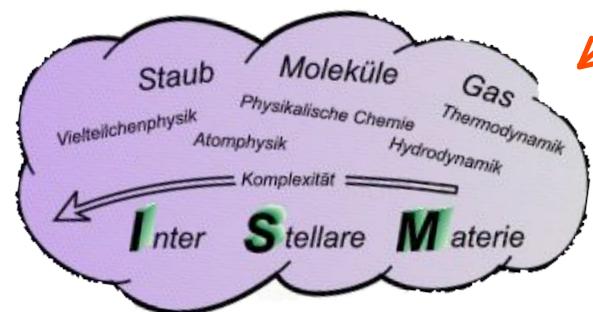


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