

Star Formation, Feedback and the Interstellar Medium

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Physical processes & numerical methods

- Magnetohydrodynamics
 - Finite volume methods (Athena*)
- Self-Gravity
 - FFT; multigrid Poisson solvers
 - Sink particles for unresolved collapse; PM gravity
- Radiation from massive stars
 - Adaptive ray tracing; moment method+M1+RSL
- Photochemistry
 - ODEs for key species (sub-stepped explicit; semi-implicit)
- Heating and cooling
 - CIE at higher T ; rates based on species abundance at lower T
- Supernovae + stellar winds
 - Energy/momentum deposition depending on resolution of R_{cool}
- Cosmic rays
 - Moment method+RSL, scattering from self-confinement model

+ *Boundary conditions*

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A Simple and Accurate Network for Hydrogen and Carbon Chemistry in the Interstellar Medium

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Three-phase Interstellar Medium in Galaxies Resolving Evolution with Star Formation and Supernova Feedback (TIGRESS): Algorithms, Fiducial Model, and Convergence

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Photochemistry and Heating/Cooling of the Multiphase Interstellar Medium with UV Radiative Transfer for Magnetohydrodynamic Simulations

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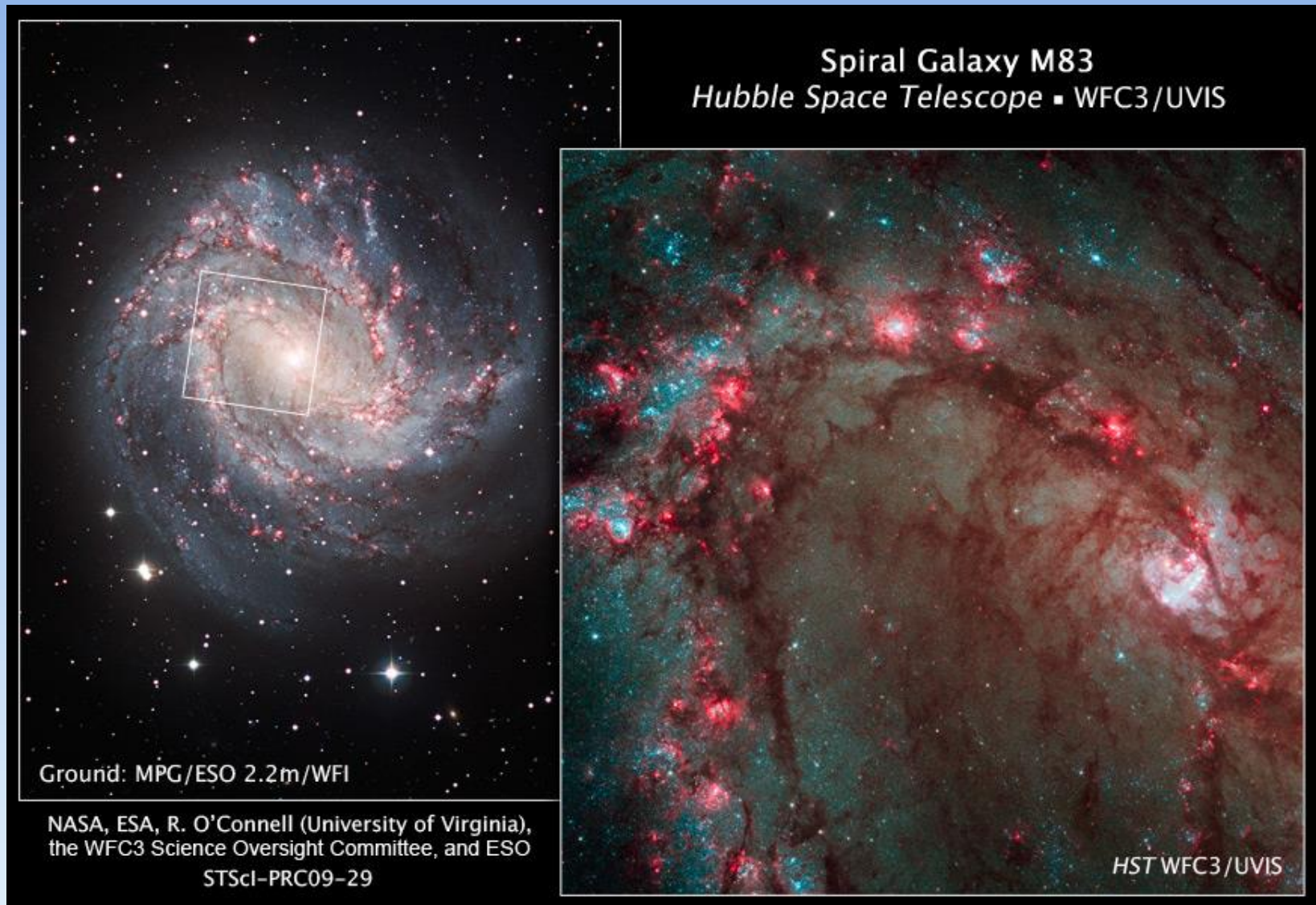
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Galaxies, the ISM, and star formation



Interstellar medium

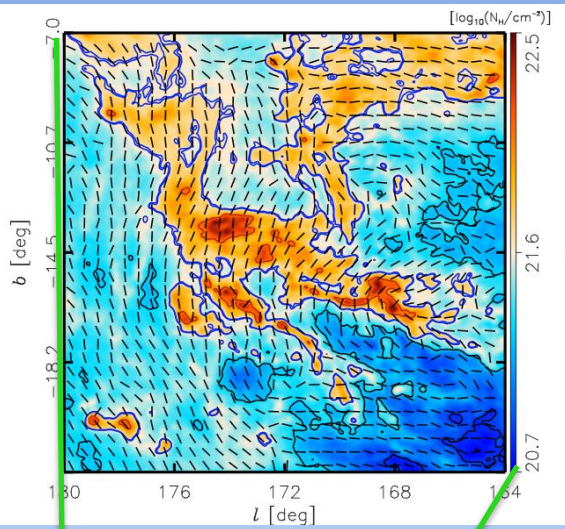
Milky Way has more than $10^{10} M_{\odot}$ of ISM gas, mostly H & He

- Atomic gas, referred to as HI
 - seen in 21 cm radio emission (spin flip transition of H)
 - two thermal equilibrium phases (similar pressure):
 - warm (10^4 K) and low density ($0.3 \text{ particle/cm}^3$) “diffuse” gas
 - cold (100K) and high density ($30 \text{ particles/cm}^3$) in clouds
- Molecular gas, referred to as H_2
 - Seen in mm-wave radio emission (rotational transitions of CO)
 - Extension of cold atomic gas to lower T (20K), higher n ($>100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$)
 - Organized into dense structures called Giant Molecular Clouds (GMCs). *All star formation is in molecular clouds*
- Warm ionized gas, referred to as HII
 - Photoionized by stars (HII regions + DIG); warm ($T \sim 10^4$ K)
- Hot ionized gas
 - Shock heated; very low density, very hot ($>10^6$ K); emits X rays

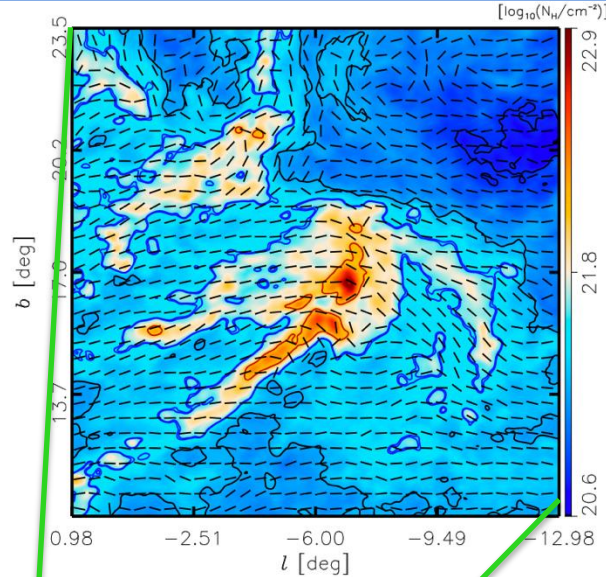
Also contains: *dust*, $\sim 1\%$ of the mass of gas, in very small grains;

Cosmic rays, relativistic particles with power-law spectrum

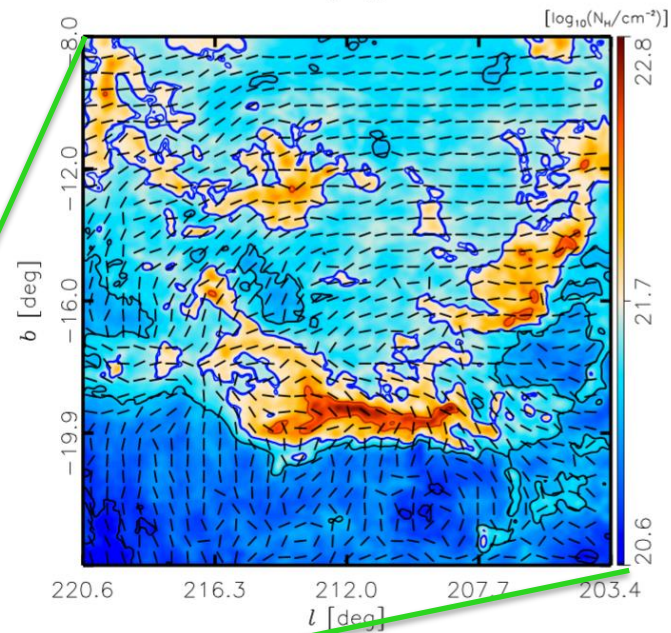
MW molecular clouds



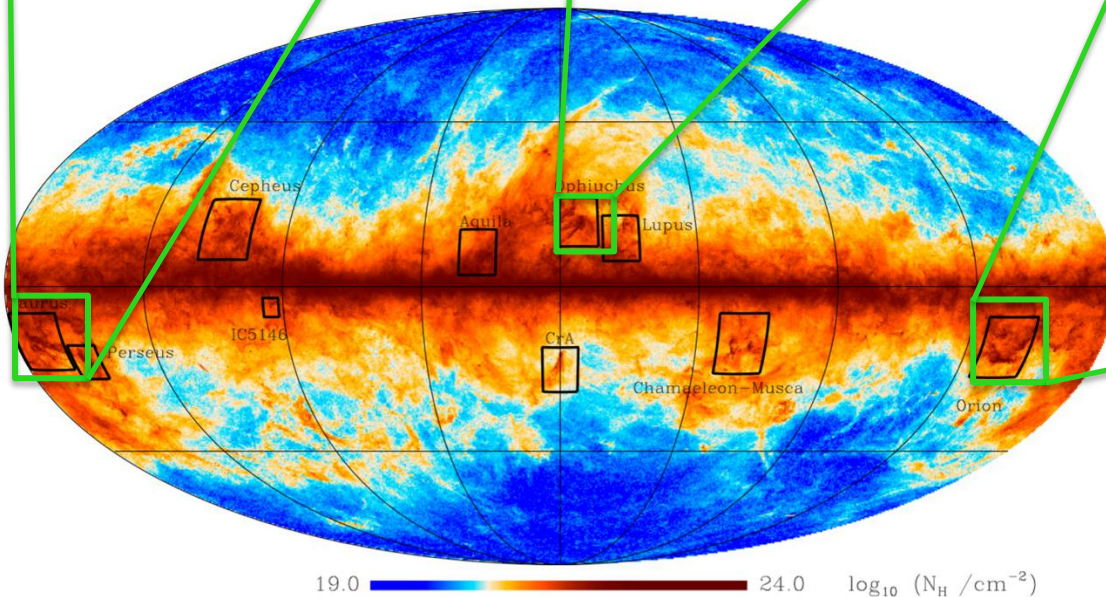
Taurus



Ophiuchus



Orion A and B



Planck Collaboration (2016)

ISM structure and evolution

- ISM is highly dynamic, with structures the gas continually forming and dispersing
- Driven by forces that **compress** and forces that **disperse** (by rarefaction, shear) gas:

$$\partial_t \rho = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v})$$

$$\partial_t(\rho \mathbf{v}) = -\rho \nabla \Phi - \nabla P_{\text{gas}} - \nabla P_{\text{cr}} + \rho \kappa \frac{\mathbf{F}_{\text{rad}}}{c} - \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v}) + \frac{(\nabla \times \mathbf{B}) \times \mathbf{B}}{4\pi}$$

- Gravity, gas pressure, cosmic ray pressure, radiation pressure, Reynolds stresses (turbulent pressure), magnetic stresses
- Some forces mostly one way (gravity); others are double-edged sword (+ or - divergence or shear in turbulent velocity field)

Star Formation

- Stars form by collecting material from the ISM
 - Mean local ISM density is $\rho = 2.4 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g/cm}^3$
 - Mean density in the Sun is 1.4 g/cm^3
 - Requires compression factor $\sim 10^{24}$!
- *Gravity* is considered prime motivator of SF, but measured SFR is factor ~ 100 lower than $M_{\text{gas}} / t_{\text{ff}}$

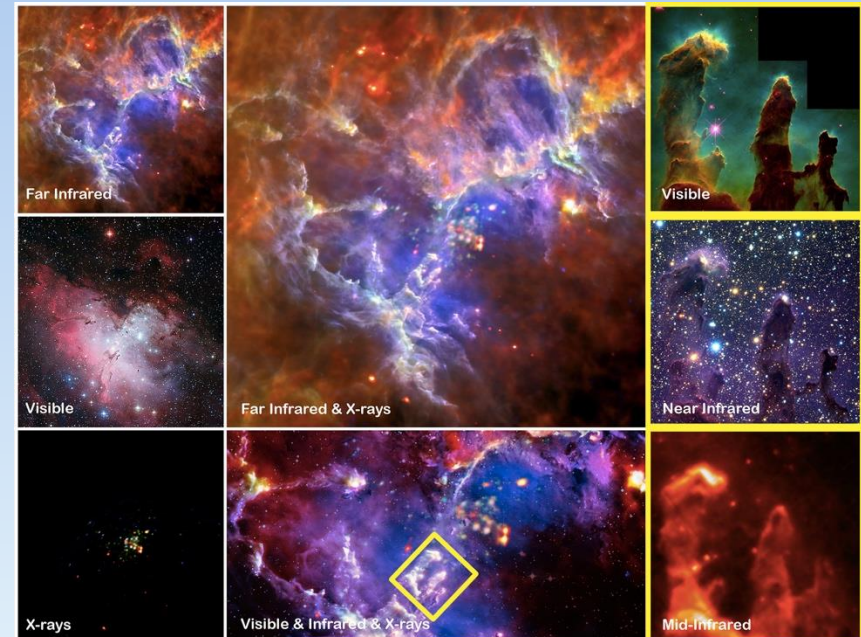
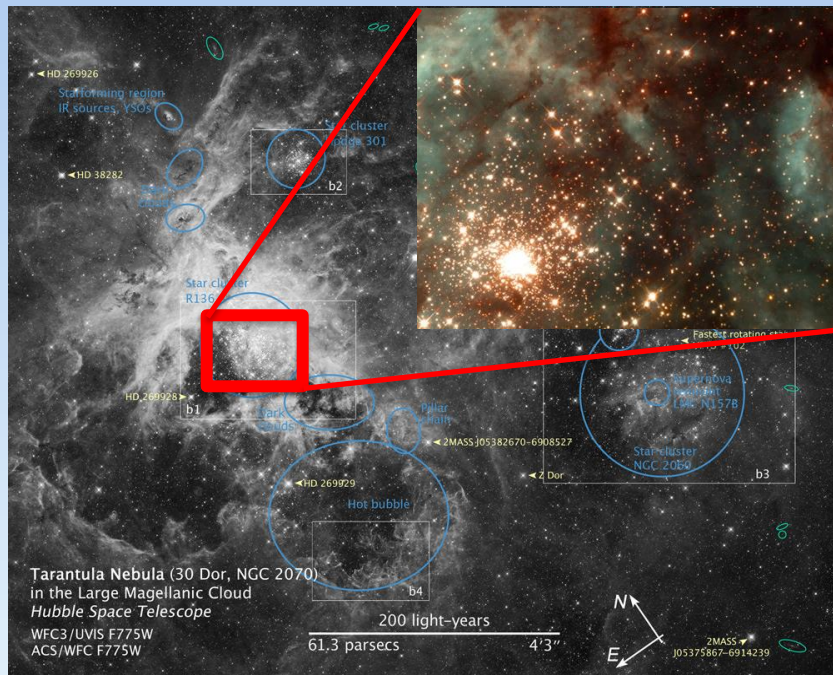
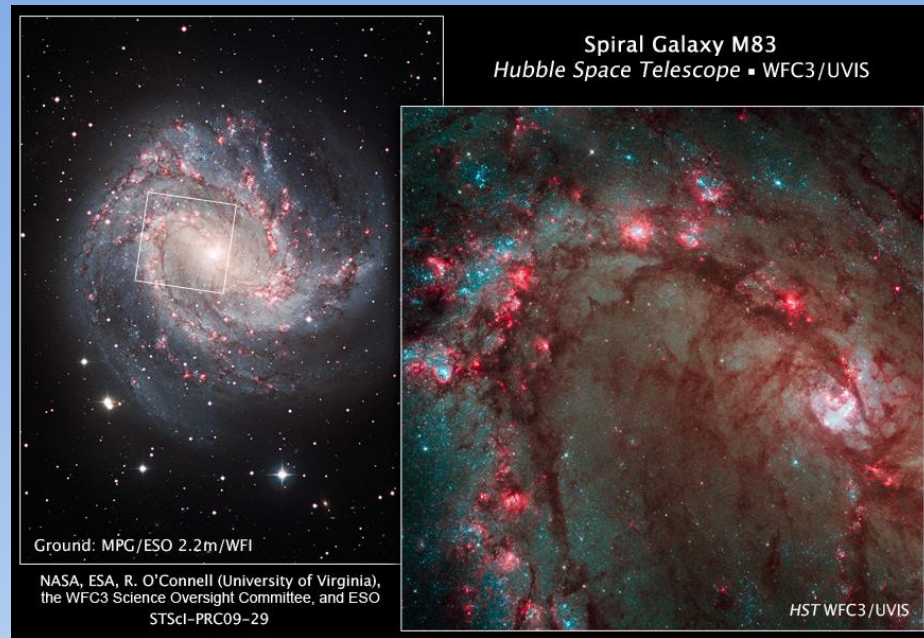
$$t_{\text{ff}} = \left(\frac{3\pi}{32G\rho} \right)^{1/2} \sim 50 \text{ Myr at mean ISM density}$$

Actual SFR depends on:

- *Competition* between compression and dispersal of gas
- Losses by dissipation, cooling reduce “support” forces
- *Sustaining the ISM (and SF) requires energy*
- *Most energy inputs are from stars themselves: feedback*

The need for SF feedback

- Without **feedback**, diffuse-ISM turbulence would dissipate, ISM would cool, and all ISM would collapse into dense clouds
- Without **feedback**, all the mass in dense clouds would collapse and end up in stars



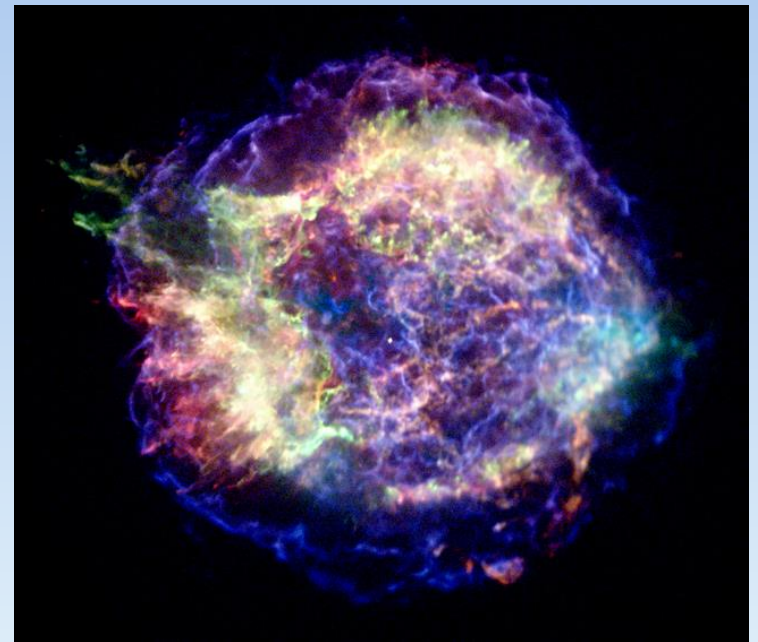
Eagle nebula/M16 cluster

Feedback mechanisms

- Dissipation, cooling, collapse are compensated by **feedback** from **young (massive/luminous) stars**:
 - **Radiative heating**
 - FUV → PE effect for diffuse ISM CNM, WNM
 - Dust heating → gas in dense regions
 - **Photoionization/heating**
 - Star-forming clouds → HII regions
 - Escaped radiation → DIG
 - **Radiation force**
 - Direct FUV on dust → gas, ionizing UV → gas
 - Reprocessed IR on dust → gas in opaque regions
 - **Stellar winds**
 - Line-driven winds (massive stars)
 - Magnetocentrifugal winds/jets (low-mass stars)
 - **Supernova blasts**
 - Individual: SNR; clustered: superbubble
 - Shock heating (HIM) and gas acceleration
 - **Cosmic rays**
 - Created in SNRs
 - Heat shielded gas; apply large-scale pressure



Herschel: Carina nebula



Cas A supernova remnant

Self-regulation concept

Cooling and turbulent dissipation times in the ISM are short

- leads to massive cloud formation on large scales
- leads to localized collapse within massive clouds

When some gas collapses to make new stars

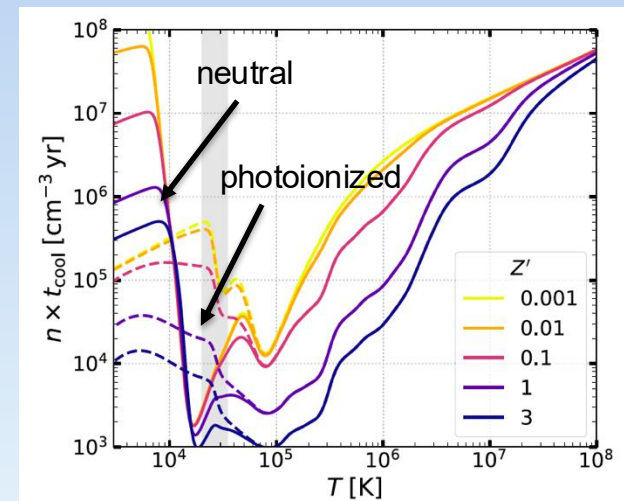
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- short stellar lifetimes $\Rightarrow$ feedback injection is rapid compared to system evolution

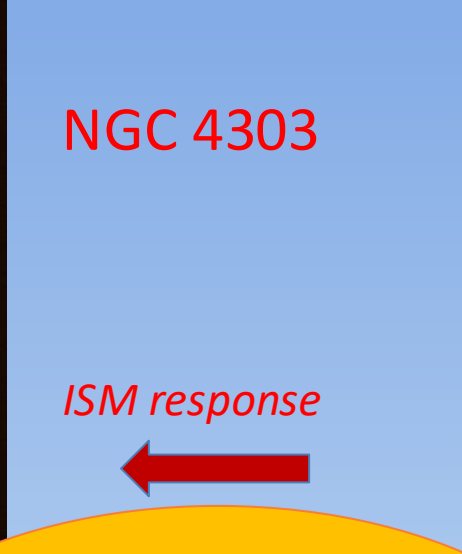
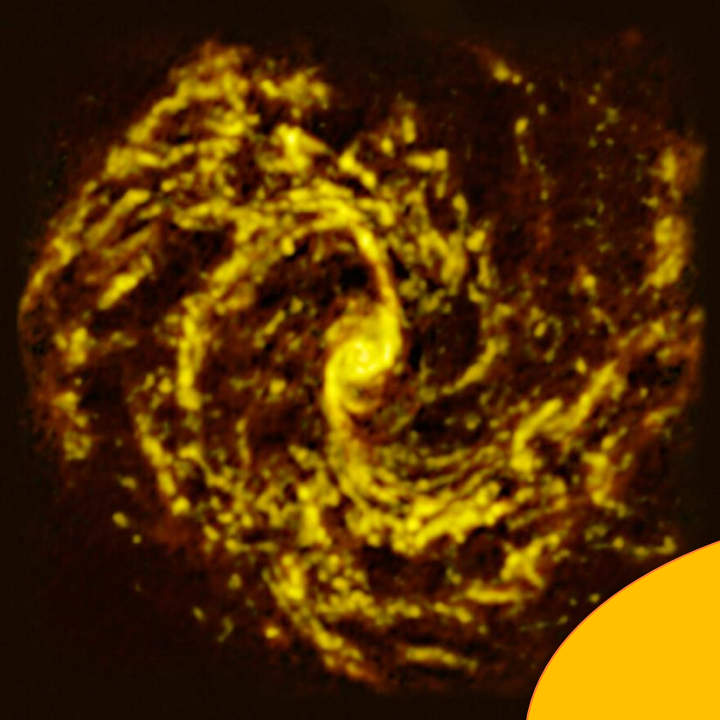
Energy injection by massive stars

- transforms thermal phase state of ISM gas (offsetting cooling)
- accelerates motions on a range of scales (offsetting dissipation)
- limits local collapse and may remove “fuel” from system

Star formation now regulates

- *Near-future state of ISM*
- *Near-to-far future star formation*





NGC 4303

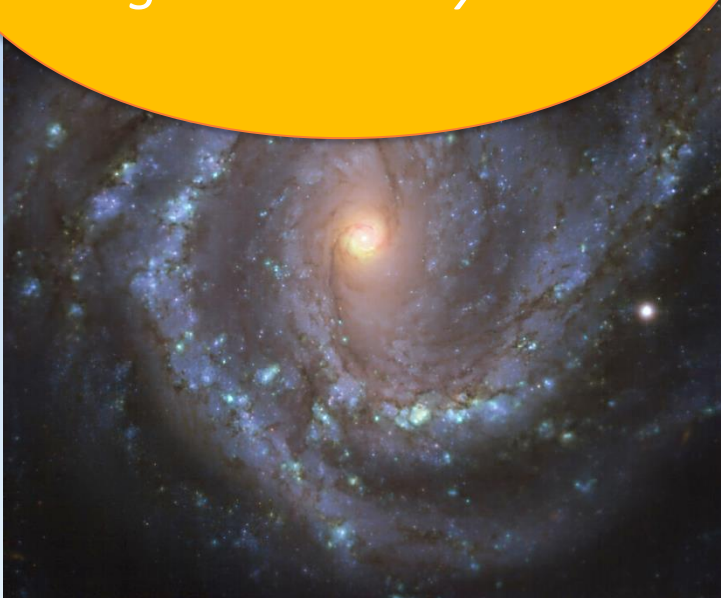
ISM response



*The star-forming
ISM: a self-
regulated ecosystem*

ALMA CO (molec. gas)

collapse & SF



MUSE gri + H α
(stars + ionized gas)



*Young star
feedback*

Credit:
MUSE(VLT-ESO)
ALMA(ESO/NAOJ/NRAO)
PHANGS

MUSE gri (stars) 13

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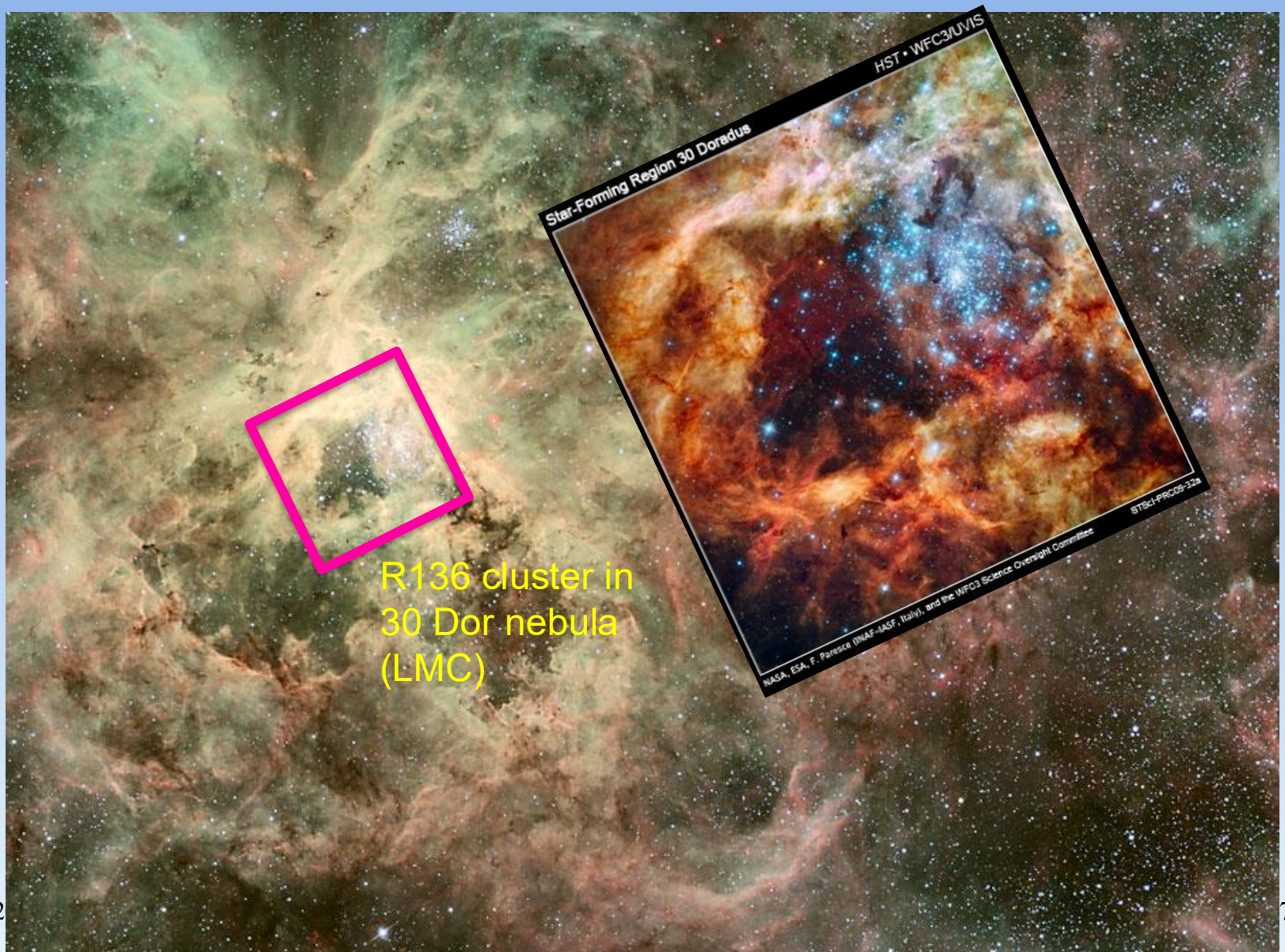
*We use numerical radiation
magnetohydrodynamic (RMHD)
simulations to quantify these processes*

Outline

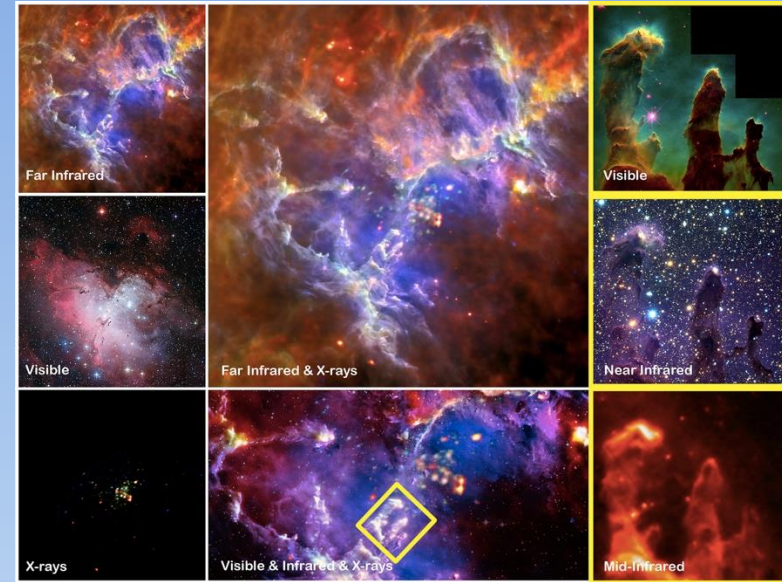
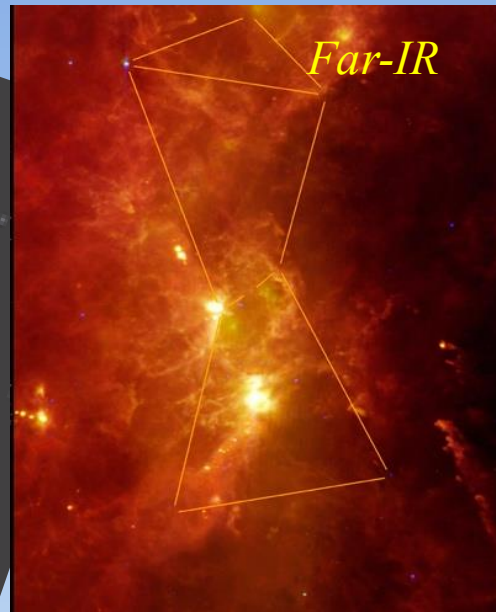
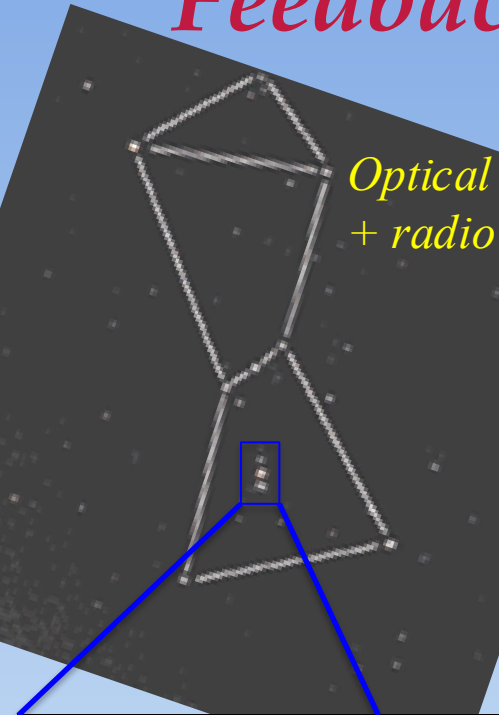
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II. Quantifying feedback

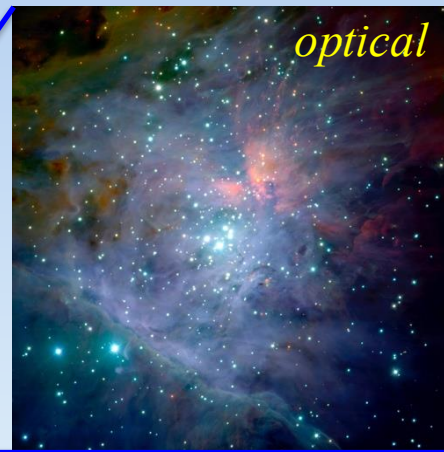
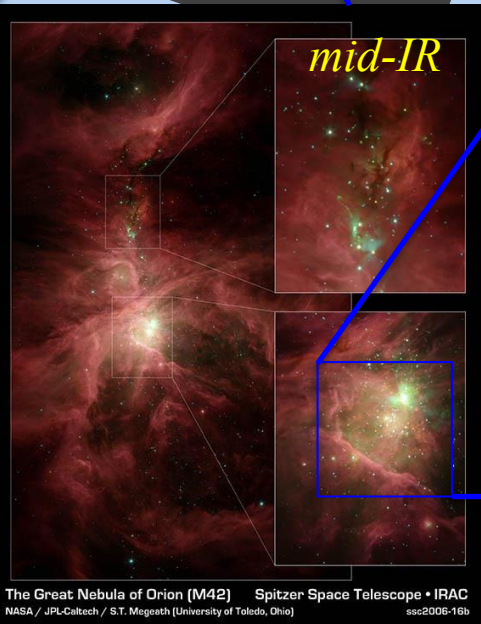
Feedback from massive stars/clusters



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Eagle nebula/M16 cluster



The Orion Nebula and Trapezium Cluster
(VLT ANTU + ISAAC)

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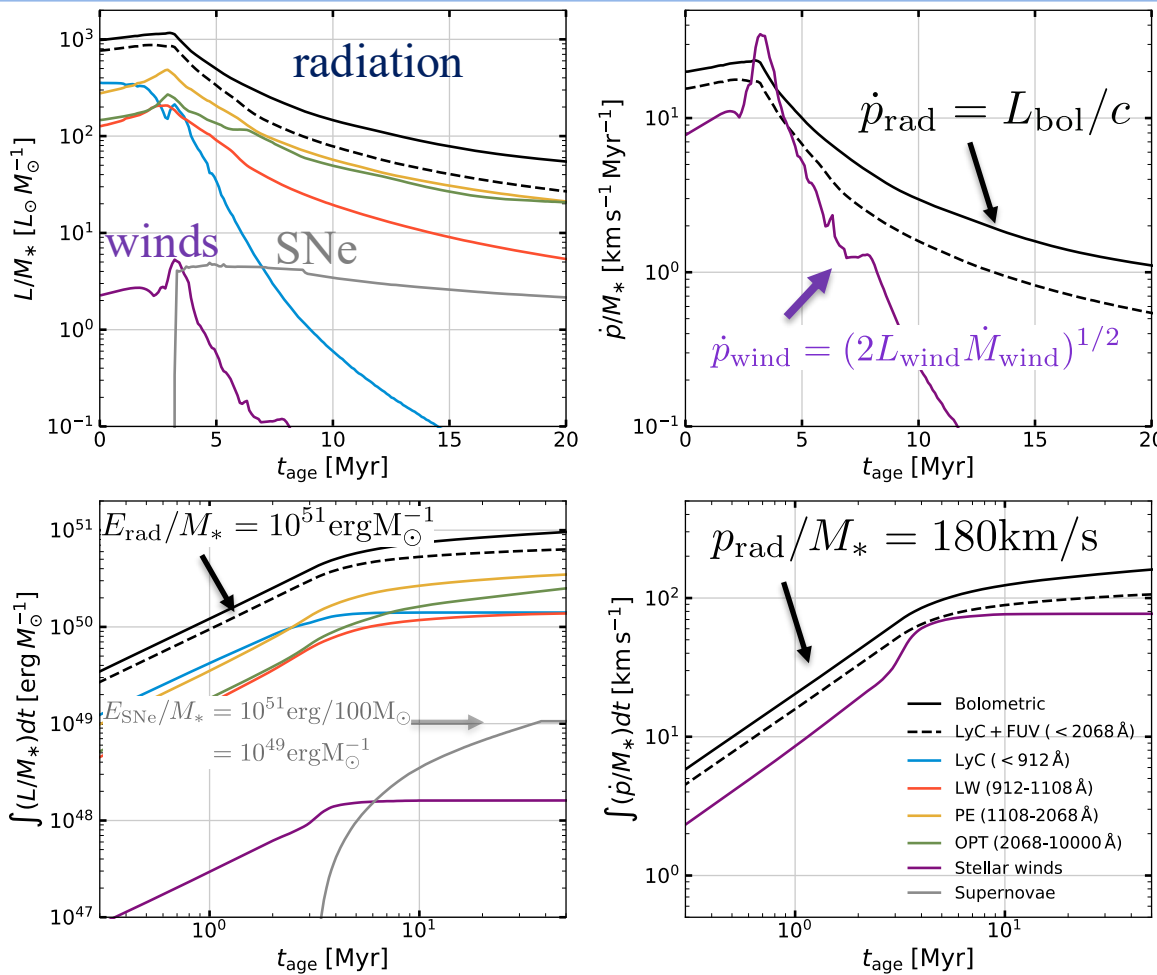


Orion GMC & Trapezium cluster

*Want to quantify theoretically
the effects of massive stars:*

- *thermal pressure from heating*
- *momentum injection*

Stellar E and p inputs



LyC : $\lambda \leq 91.2 \text{ nm}$

$13.6 \text{ eV} \leq h\nu$

FUV

LW : $91.2 \text{ nm} < \lambda \leq 110.8 \text{ nm}$

$11.2 \text{ eV} \leq h\nu < 13.6 \text{ eV}$

PE : $110.8 \text{ nm} < \lambda \leq 206.6 \text{ nm}$

$6.0 \text{ eV} \leq h\nu < 11.2 \text{ eV}$

OPT : $206.6 \text{ nm} < \lambda \leq 1000.0 \text{ nm}$

$11.2 \text{ eV} \leq h\nu < 1.2 \text{ eV}$

Radiation timescales:

	LyC	LW	PE	FUV	OPT	Bol
Timescales (Myr)						
(1) $\langle t \rangle$	1.9	6.6	11.9	10.4	20.7	12.9
(2) $t_{\text{cumul}, 50\%}$	1.7	3.4	4.3	4.0	7.8	4.1
(3) $t_{\text{cumul}, 90\%}$	3.7	14.9	34.3	28.6	63.4	40.8

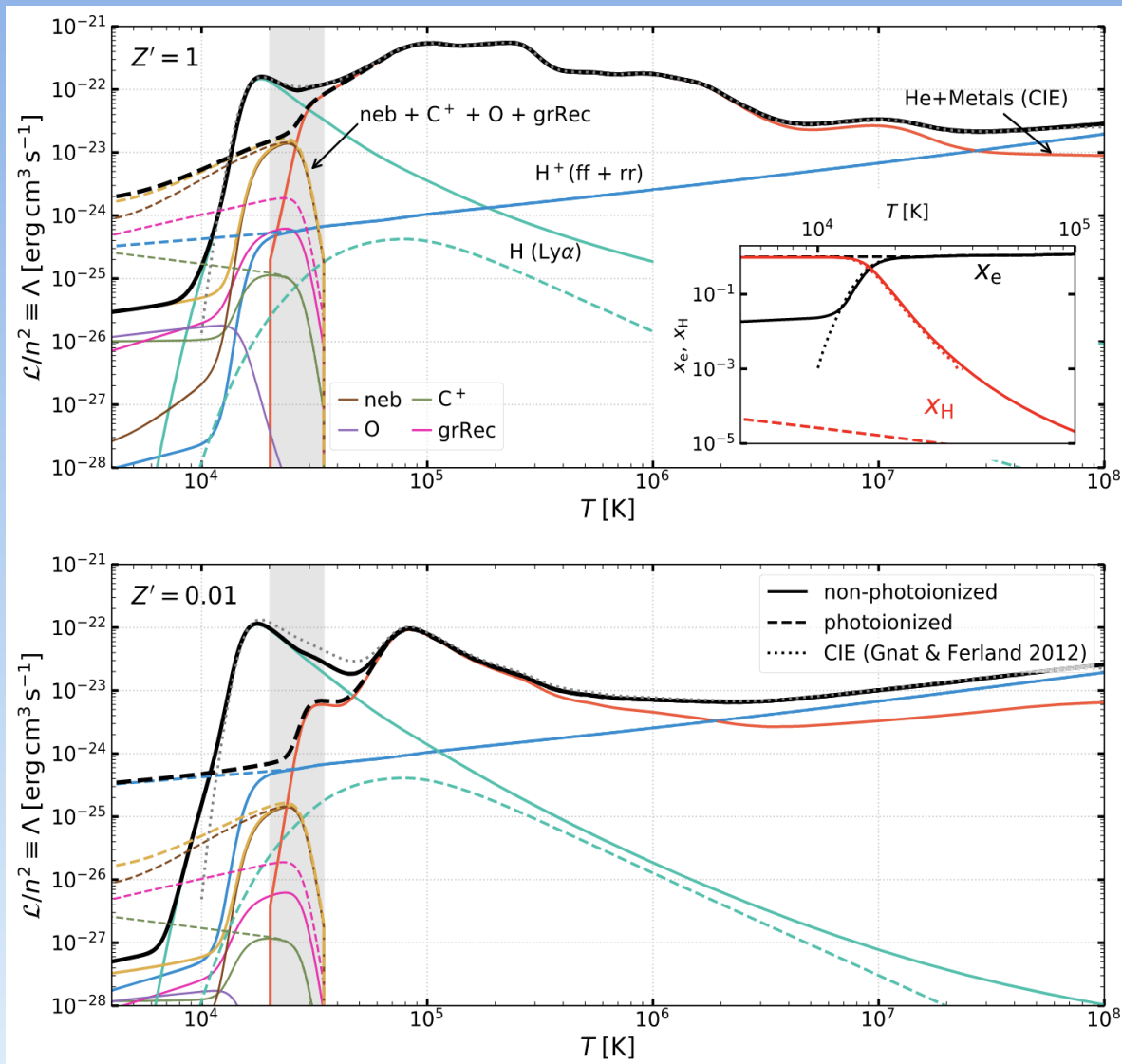
Ionizing photon rate:

$$Q_{\text{ion}} = 10^{44} \text{ s}^{-1} \frac{M_*}{M_\odot} \times L_{\text{LyC}}/M_*$$

J.-G. Kim, M. Gong, C.-G. Kim, E. Ostriker (2023)

(from SB99 with fully-sampled Kroupa IMF and Geneva tracks)

Cooling function

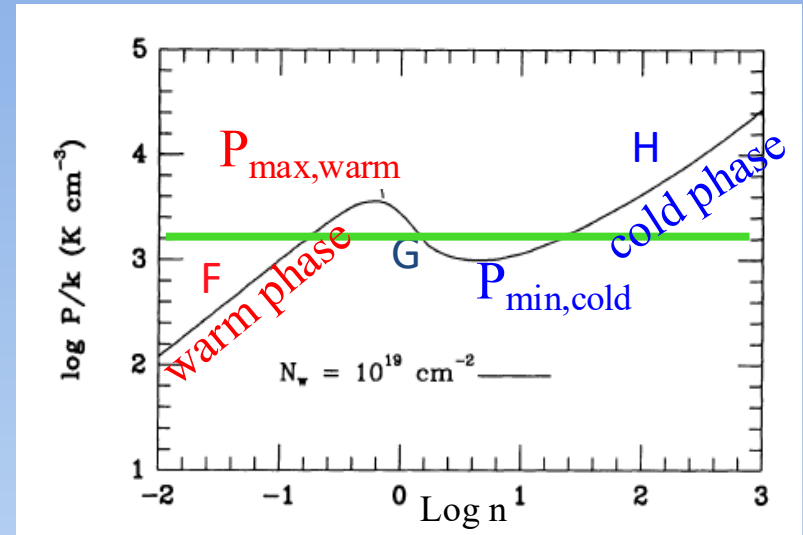


FUV heating and thermal equilibrium

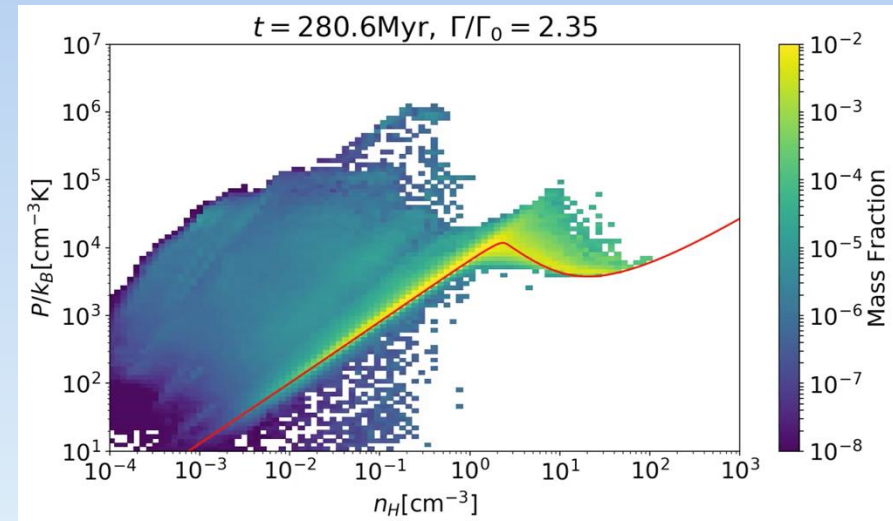
- FUV from OB stars incident to small grains produces the **photoelectric effect**
- PE dominates heating in neutral ISM for $Z'=1$ (atomic and diffuse molec. gas)
- When $t_{\text{cool}} < t_{\text{dyn}}$ expect to reach thermal equilibrium $n\Lambda = \Gamma$
 - three equil. branches (Field, Goldsmith, Habing):
warm (F), cold (H), unstable (G)
- In Solar neighborhood,

$$P_{\text{th},0} \approx P_{\text{two-phase}} \equiv (P_{\text{min,cold}} P_{\text{max,warm}})^{1/2} \approx 3000 \text{ K cm}^{-3}$$

(Wolfire et al 2003)



Wolfire et al (1995)



FUV heating and thermal equilibrium

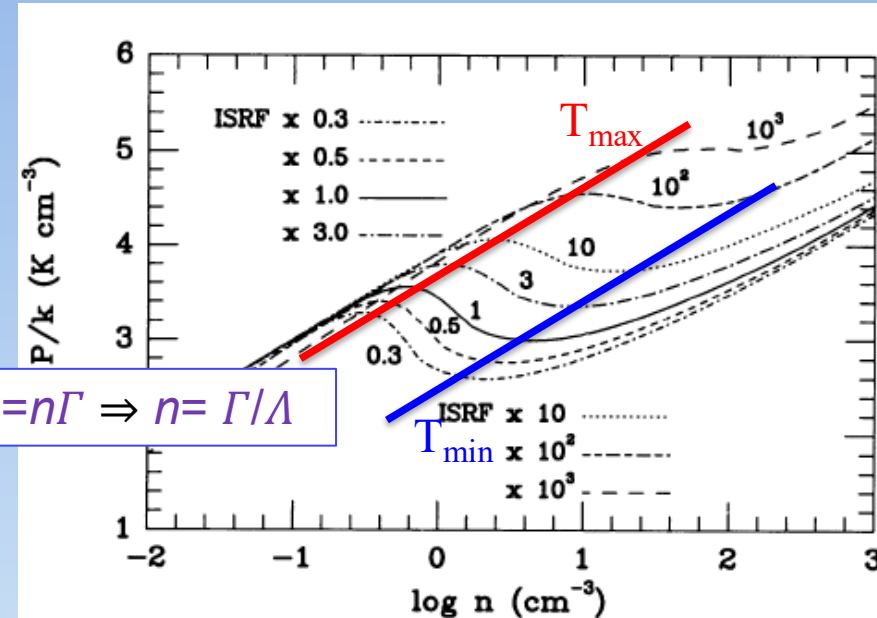
- Dependence of $P_{\text{two-phase}}$:

$$\frac{P_{\text{two-phase}}}{k} = [n_{\min} T_{\min} n_{\max} T_{\min}]^{1/2}$$

$$= \Gamma \frac{T_{\min} T_{\max}}{\Lambda(T_{\min}) \Lambda(T_{\max})}$$

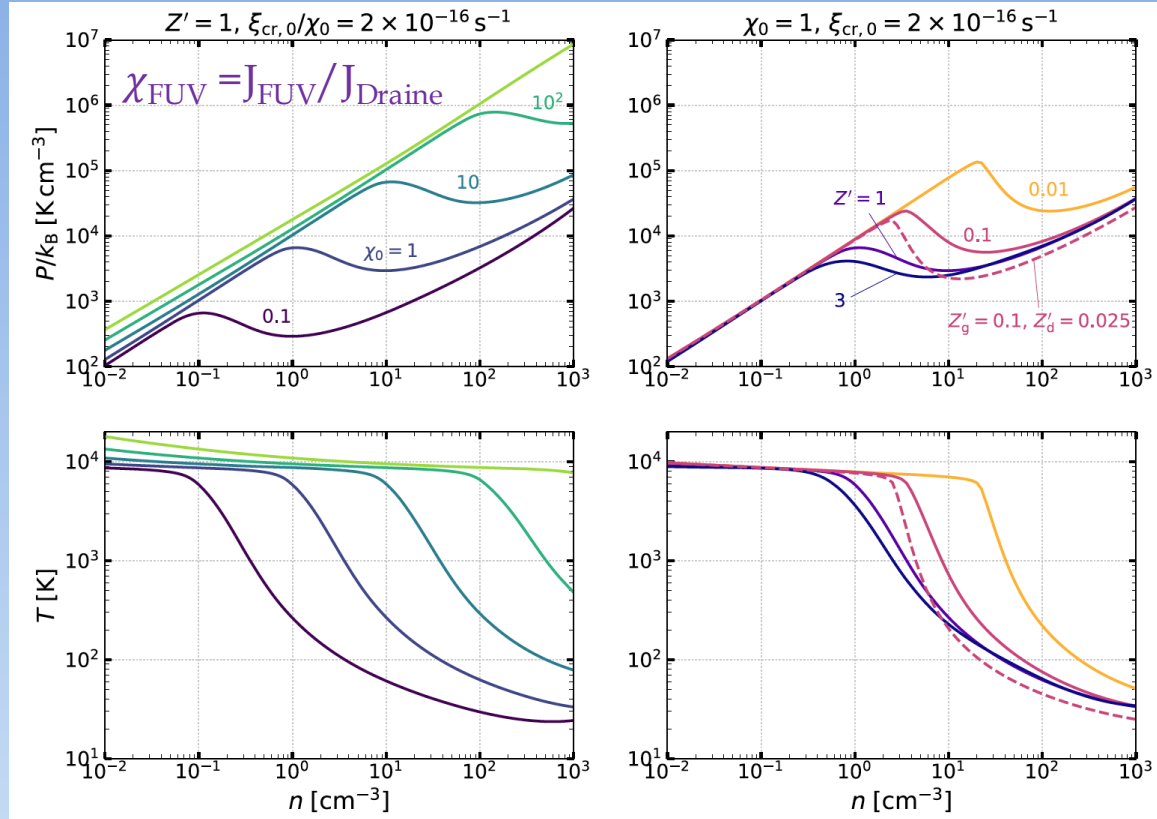
$$n^2 \Lambda = n \Gamma \Rightarrow n = \Gamma / \Lambda$$

- $T_{\min}, T_{\max} \sim \text{const.};$
- $\Gamma_{\text{PE}} \propto \epsilon_{\text{PE}} Z_d J_{\text{FUV}}, \Lambda \propto Z_g \Rightarrow$
- $P_{\text{two-phase}} \propto \epsilon_{\text{PE}} J_{\text{FUV}} Z_d / Z_g$
- J_{FUV} depends on local SFR



Wolfire et al (1995)

Thermal pressure from FUV + CRs



J.-G. Kim et al (2023)

- “Two-phase” thermal pressure $P_{\text{two-phase}} \propto \Gamma_{\text{PE}} + \Gamma_{\text{CR}}$
- $\Gamma_{\text{PE}} \propto \chi_{\text{FUV}} \propto J_{\text{FUV}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{FUV}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$, with dust attenuation factor
- $\Gamma_{\text{CR}} \propto \xi_{\text{CR}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$, with modest shielding at high column
- At low metallicity & dust abundance, ϵ_{PE} increases and CR heating begins to dominate $\Rightarrow P_{\text{two-phase}}$ increases for fixed χ_{FUV}

Photoionization by EUV

- Individual O star or cluster (mass M_*) photoionizes nearby gas
- Photon energy > 13.6 eV in electrons is shared with gas to maintain $T \sim 10^4$ K
- Ionizing photon rate (fully sampled IMF)
 $Q_i = \Xi M_*$ for $\Xi = 3 \times 10^{13} \text{ photon s}^{-1} \text{ g}^{-1}$
- Ionization is balanced by recombination in HII region
- Ideal Stromgren sphere:

$$(4\pi/3)R_s^3 \alpha_B n_e n_i = Q_i(1 - f_{\text{dust}} - f_{\text{esc}}) = Q_i f_{\text{ion}}$$

Photoionized bubble expansion

- Ionization=recombination in interior maintained by photoevaporation $\Rightarrow$

$$n_{int} = [3Q_i / (4\pi r_{IF}^3 \alpha_B)]^{1/2} \Rightarrow M_i \propto (Q_i r_{IF}^3)^{1/2}$$

- Force on ionized/neutral interface from ionized gas pressure:

$$F_i = (2n_{int} kT) 4\pi r_{IF}^2 \sim kT (Q_i r_{IF} / \alpha_B)^{1/2}$$

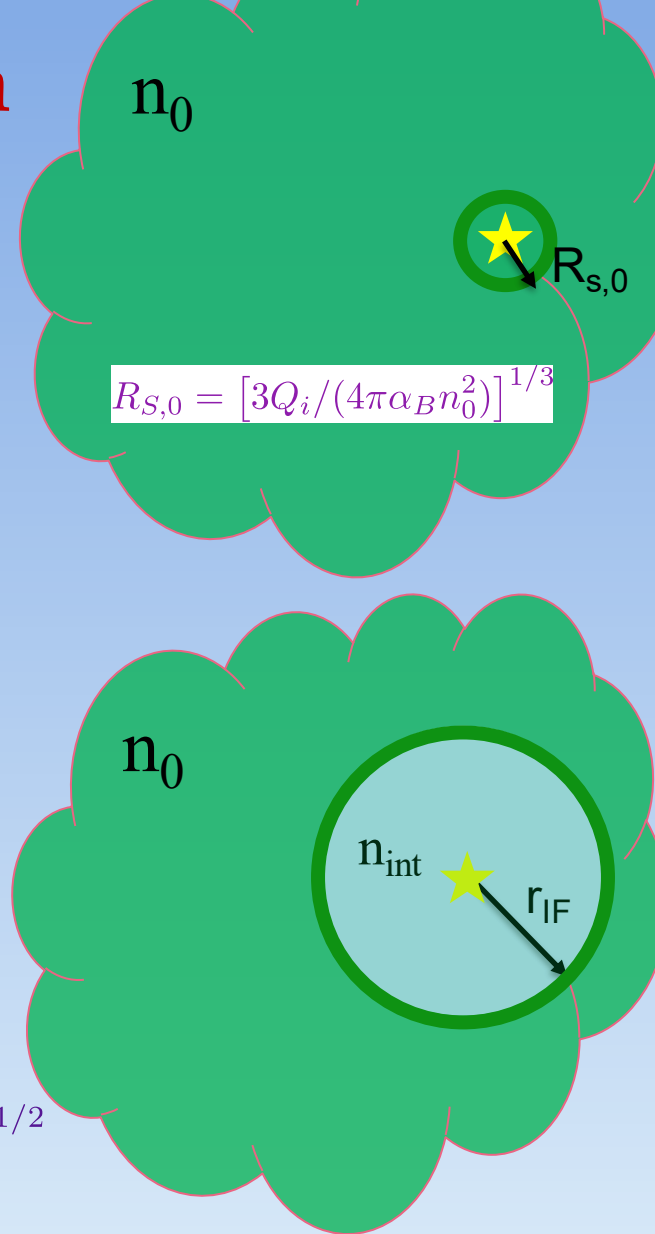
- Spitzer sol'n: $\frac{d(M_{sh} \dot{r}_{IF})}{dt} = F_i \Rightarrow$

$$r_{IF} \sim R_{S,0}^{3/7} (c_i t)^{4/7} \sim \left(\frac{Q_i}{\alpha_B n_0^2} \right)^{1/7} (c_i t)^{4/7}$$

- Momentum injection rate from photoionized HII region to ISM:

$$\frac{\dot{p}_{ion,th}}{M_*} = 190 \frac{km \ s^{-1}}{Myr} \left(\frac{f_{ion} \Xi}{2.5 \times 10^{13}} \right)^{1/2} \times \left(\frac{M_*}{10^3 M_\odot} \right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{r}{10 pc} \right)^{1/2}$$

- Ideally, over $t_* \sim 5 Myr$ could inject momentum/mass $\sim 100-1000 km/s$



Photoevaporation: blister HII region

Whitworth (1979), Tenorio-Tagle (1979), Bertoldi & McKee (1990), Matzner (2002), Kim et al (2018)

- Radiation incident on ionization front photoevaporates gas
- Gas streams away at $\sim c_I = (kT/m_p)^{1/2}$
- Photoevap. rate $\sim n_i c_I A \sim n_i c_I R^2$
- Ionization-recombination must be maintained in ionized region:

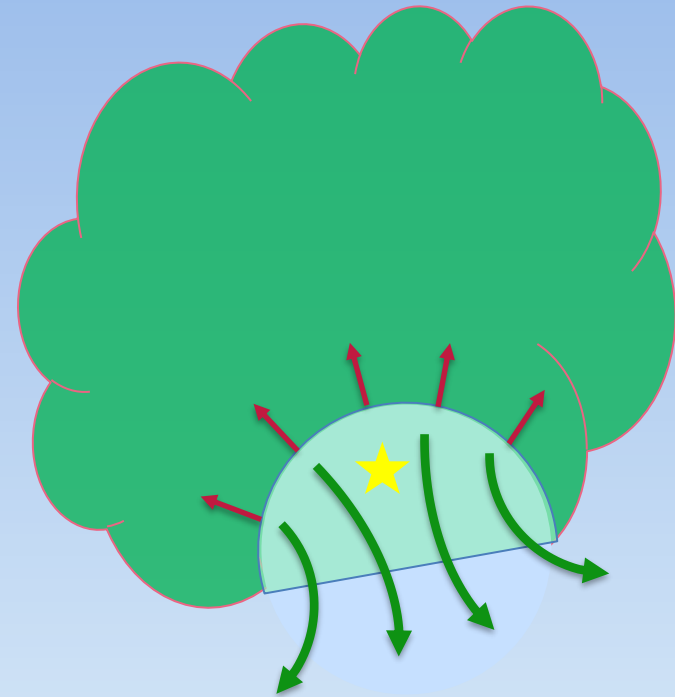
$$n_i \sim \left(\frac{Q}{\alpha_B R^3} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{photoevaporation rate} \sim c_I \left(\frac{QR}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2}$$

- Back-reaction force on ionized/neutral interface:

$$\sim c_I^2 m_p n_i A \sim c_I^2 m_p \left(\frac{QR}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2} = kT \left(\frac{\Xi \epsilon M_{cloud} R}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2}$$

(comparable to gas pressure force on shell surrounding *embedded* HII region)



Direct radiation pressure force

- Photons (UV+Opt) directly absorbed or scattered by gas or dust transfer momentum $p = h\nu/c$

- Luminosity (fully sampled IMF)

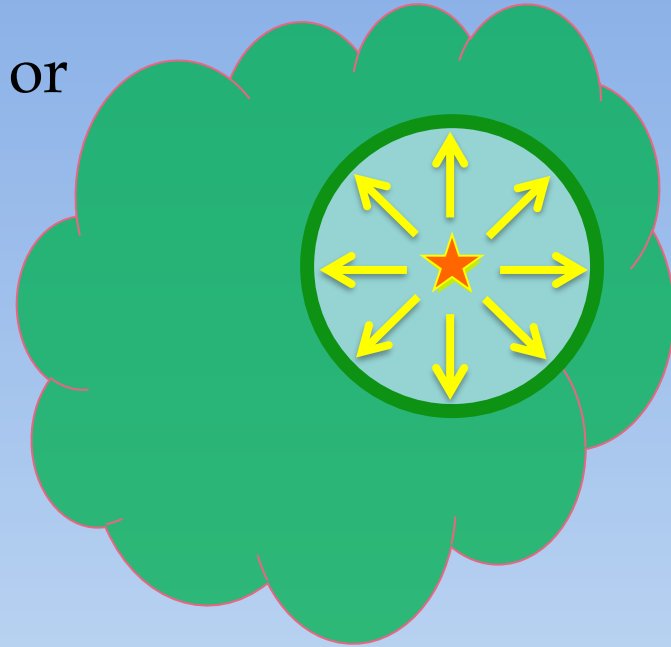
$$L = \Psi M_* \text{ for } \Psi = 1800 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ g}^{-1}$$

- Total radiation pressure force:

$$L/c = \Psi M_*/c$$

$$\frac{\dot{p}_{\text{rad}}}{M_*} = \frac{L}{cM_*} = 19 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Myr}^{-1} \frac{\Psi}{1800 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ g}^{-1}}$$

- Exceeds gas pressure force for very luminous source (large M_*) or small HII region (small r_{IF}): $r/\text{pc} \lesssim M_*/10^4 M_\odot$
- Ideally, over $t_* \sim 10 \text{ Myr}$ could inject momentum/mass $\sim 200 \text{ km/s}$



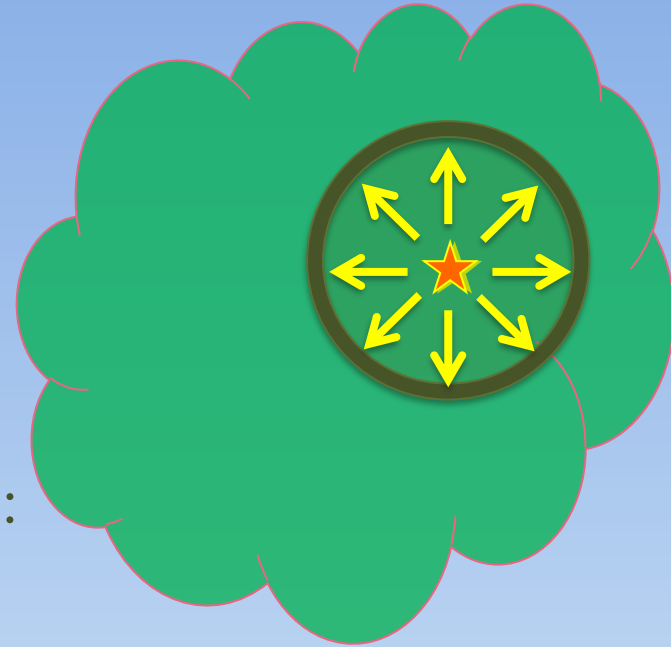
Reprocessed radiation force

- Stellar radiation absorbed by dust is reemitted in IR
- IR photons may be multiply absorbed/scattered.
- Radiation force on shell of optical depth $\tau_{\text{shell}} = \kappa_{\text{IR}} M_{\text{shell}} / (4\pi R^2) = \kappa_{\text{IR}} \Sigma_{\text{shell}}$:
 $F_{\text{rad,IR}} = L * \tau_{\text{shell}} / c = \Psi M_* \kappa_{\text{IR}} \Sigma_{\text{shell}} / c$
- Can compare to gravitational force of star cluster:

$$F_{\text{grav,*}} = G M_* M_{\text{shell}} / R^2 = G M_* \Sigma_{\text{shell}} 4\pi$$

- Eddington ratio:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\text{Edd,IR}} &= F_{\text{rad,IR}} / F_{\text{grav}} = \Psi \kappa_{\text{IR}} / (4\pi G c) \\ &= 0.7 (\kappa_{\text{IR}} / 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}) (\Psi / 1800 \text{ erg/s/g}) \end{aligned}$$

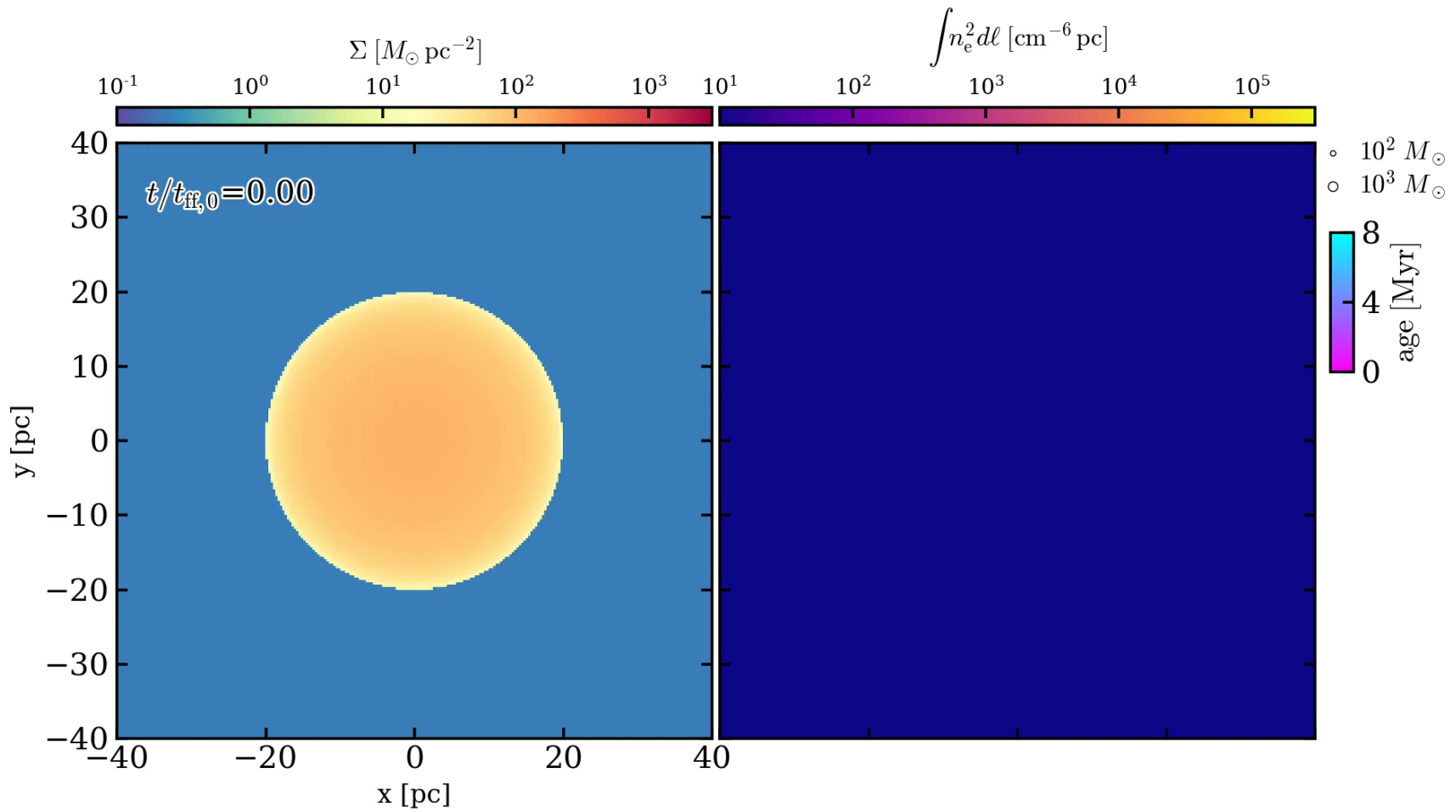


Because $\kappa_{\text{IR}} \lesssim 7$ for normal ISM dust, would need dust enhancement or top-heavy IMF (larger Ψ) for reprocessed radiation to have dynamical consequences

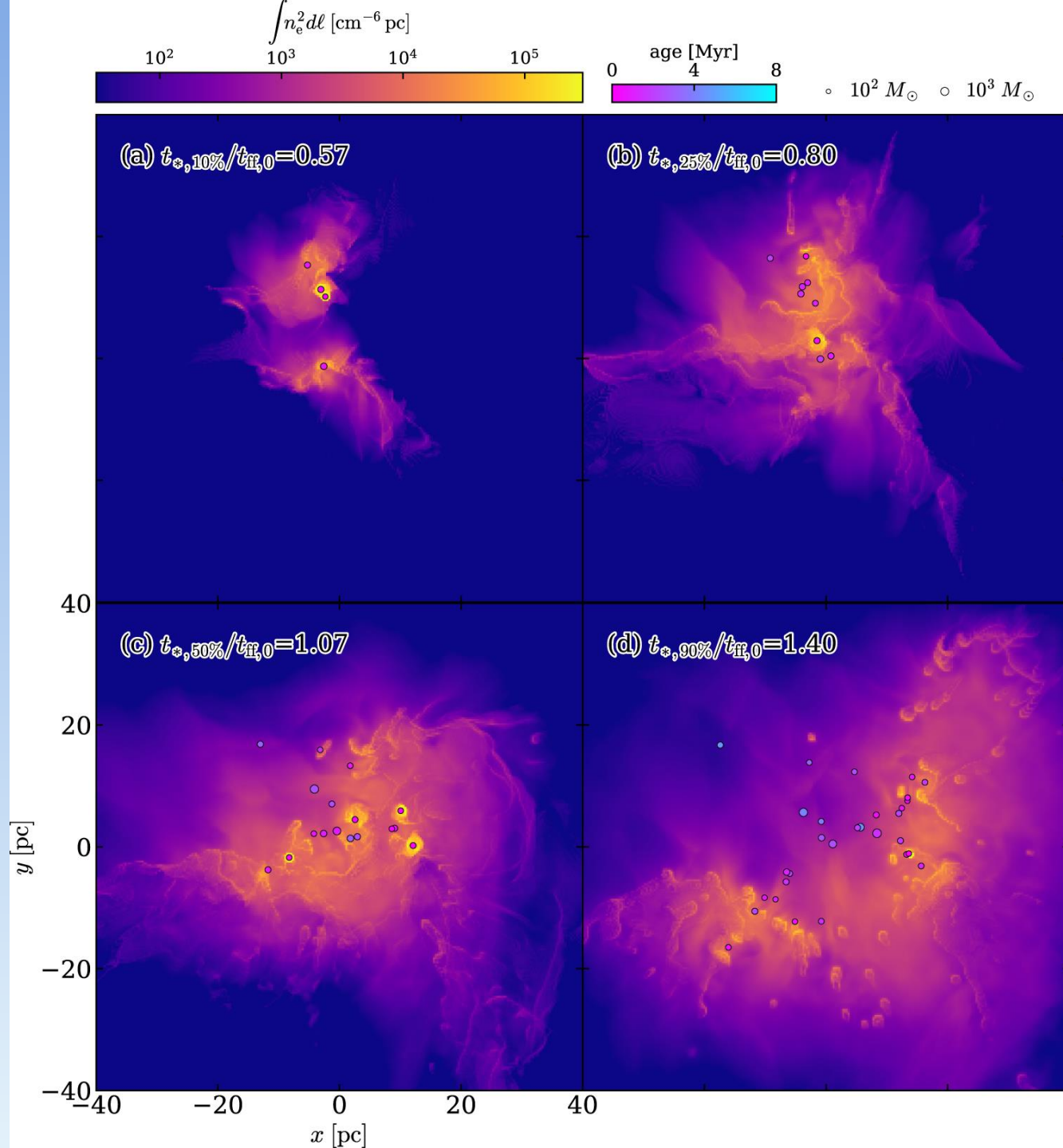
Simulations: turbulent cloud evolution with radiation feedback

- In realistic clouds, structure is highly **inhomogeneous**
 - Radiation may escape through “holes”; ionized gas also escapes
 - Large variance in surface and volume density
- We follow gas + radiation interaction using *radiation hydrodynamics* (RHD) numerical simulations with *Athena*
 - Collapsing gas is replaced by “star particles” (representing clusters) with total luminosity $L_* = \Psi M_*$, ionizing photon rate $Q = \epsilon M_*$
 - Accurate RT method is crucial because of high opacity to EUV in neutral gas and highly inhomogeneous cloud structure
 - J.G. Kim et al (2017) method uses **adaptive ray tracing** to compute F_{rad} and $\mathcal{E}_{\text{rad}}$ for FUV (non-ionizing) and EUV (ionizing)
 - Start at HEALPix level 4 with 3072 rays from each source
 - Split rays when there are fewer than 4 per grid cell from each source
 - Practical use requires efficient parallelization to optimize load-balancing and reduce communication

Ionizing + non-ionizing radiation simulations with ART

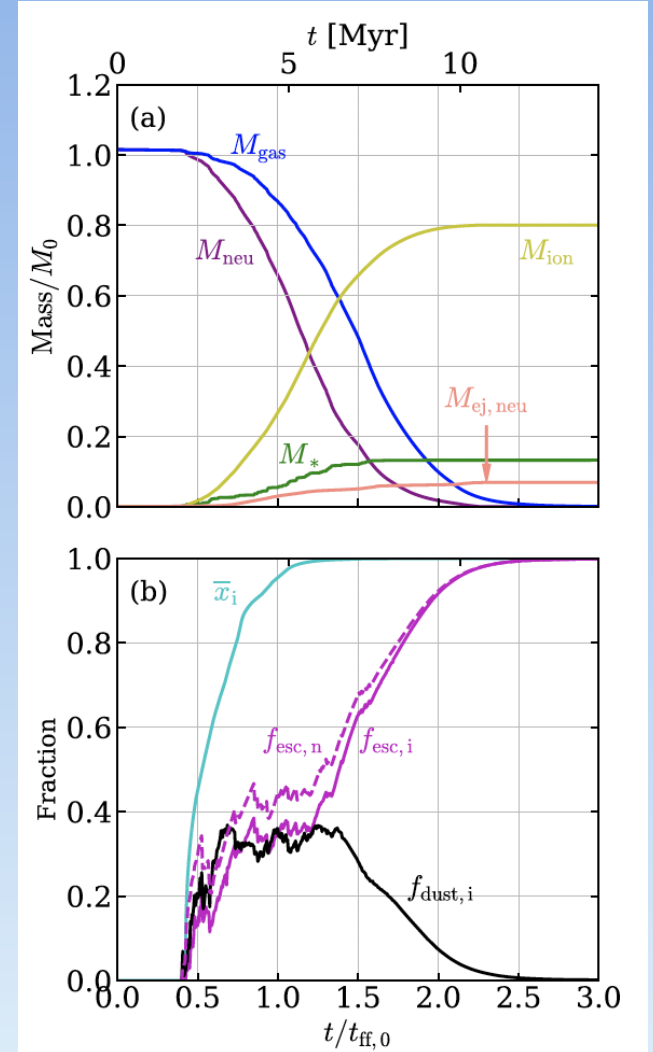
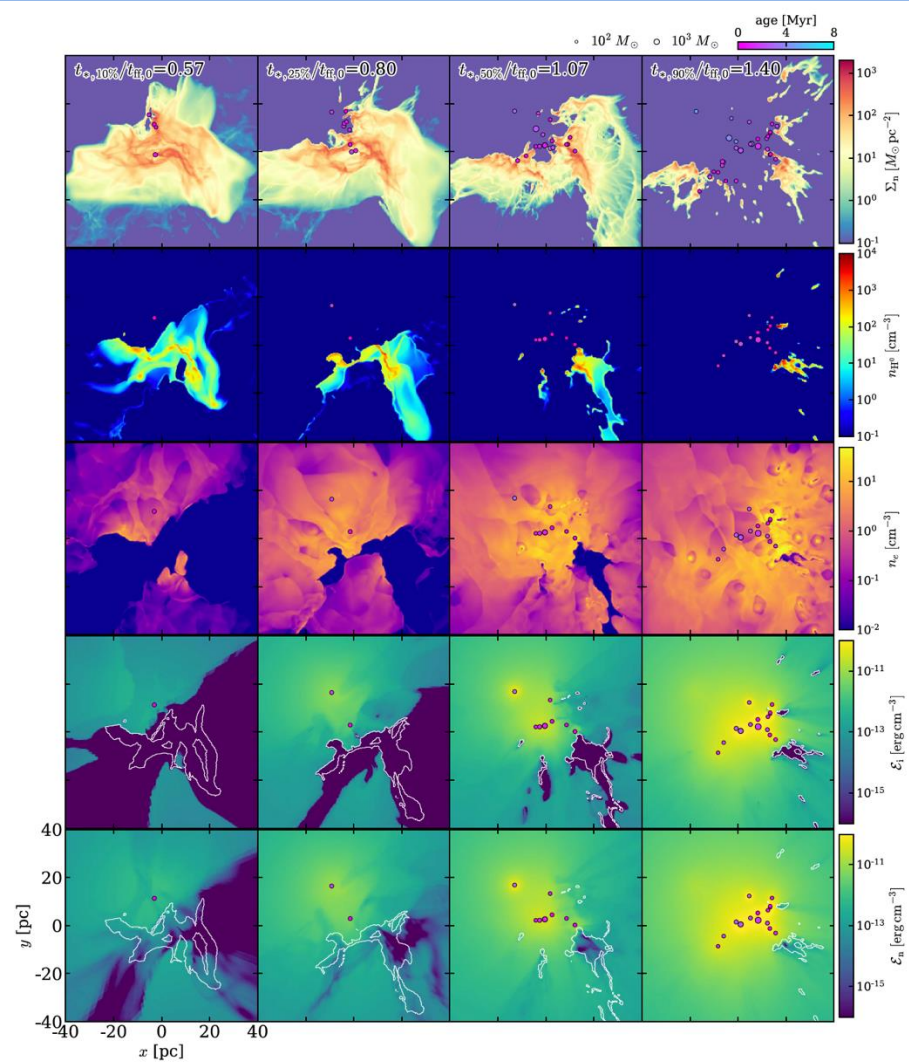


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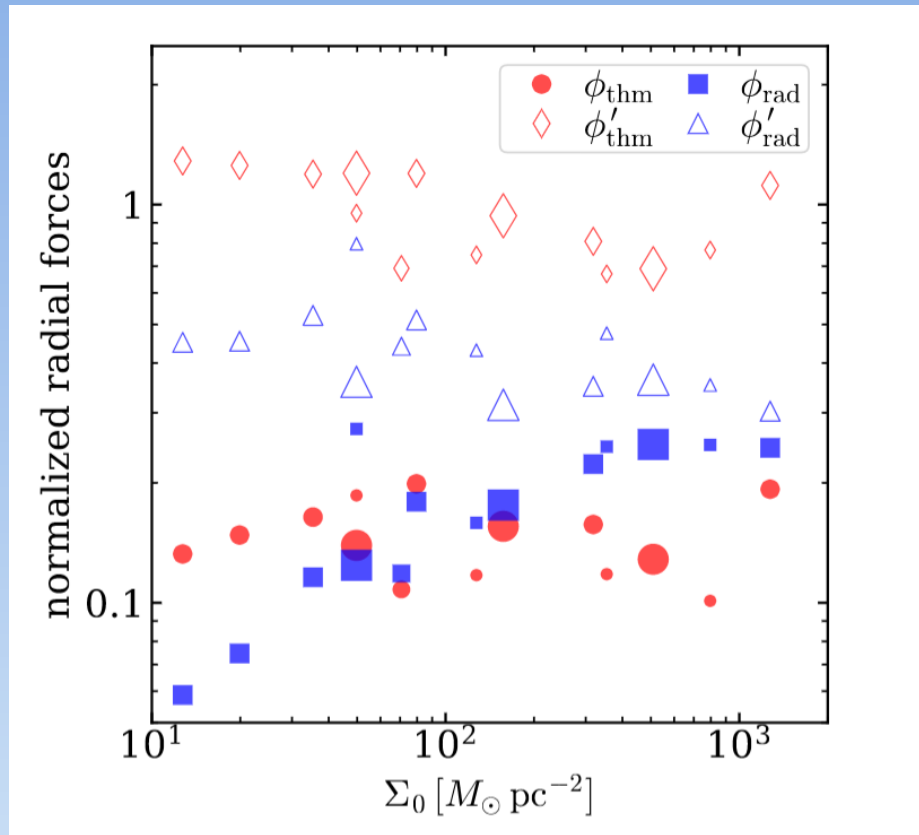


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Ionizing + non-ionizing radiation simulations with ART



Net forces in cloud: numerical vs. analytic



$$\phi_{\text{rad}} \equiv \frac{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \int \mathbf{f}_{\text{rad}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} dV dt}{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} L/c dt},$$

$$\phi'_{\text{rad}} \equiv \frac{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \int \mathbf{f}_{\text{rad}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} dV dt}{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} (1 - f_{\text{esc}}) L/c dt},$$

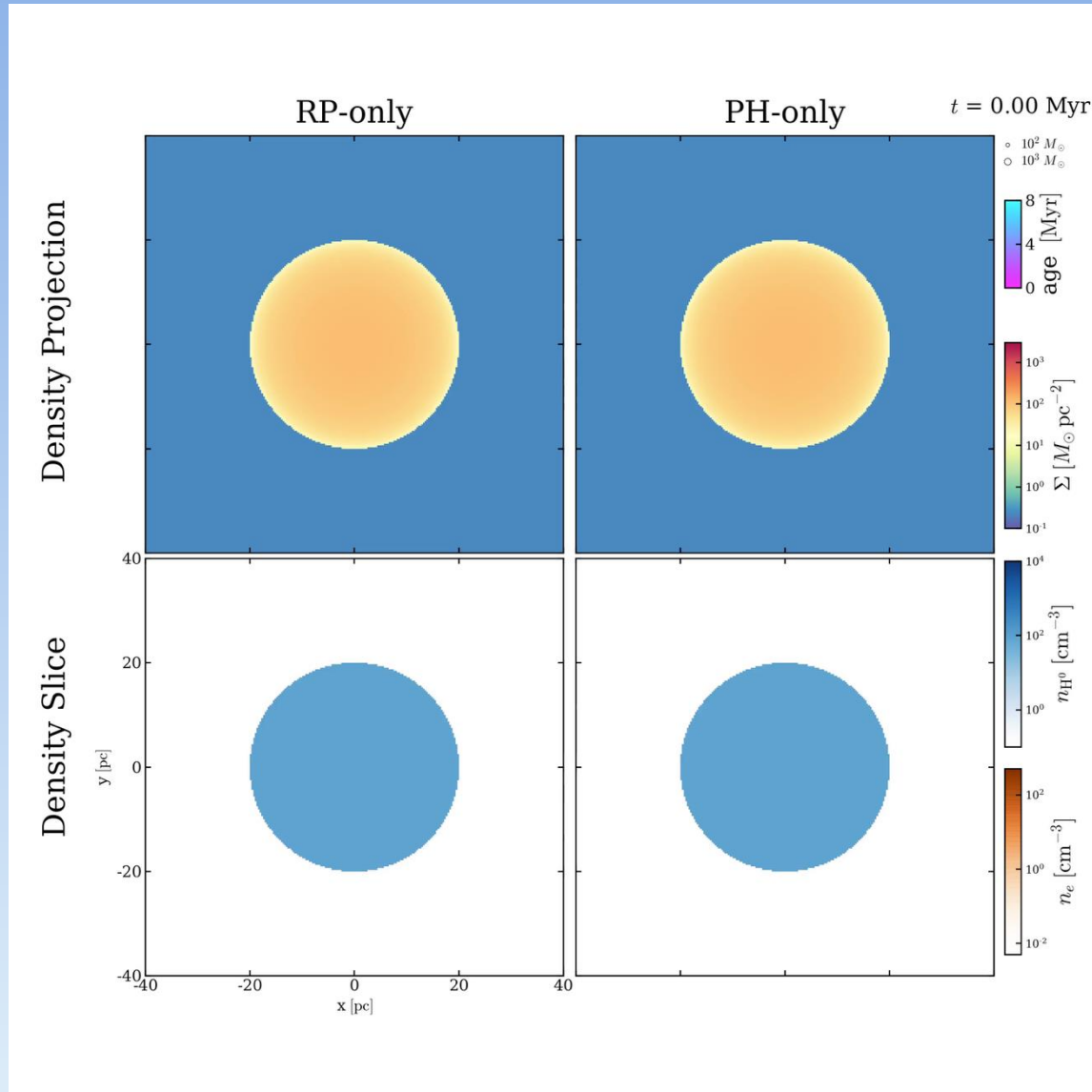
$$\phi_{\text{thm}} \equiv \frac{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \int \mathbf{f}_{\text{thm}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} dV dt}{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mu_{\text{H}} c_i^2 (12\pi Q_i R_0 / \alpha_{\text{B}})^{1/2} dt},$$

$$\phi'_{\text{thm}} \equiv \frac{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \int \mathbf{f}_{\text{thm}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} dV dt}{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \dot{M}_{\text{ion}} c_i dt},$$

Turbulence-induced structure:

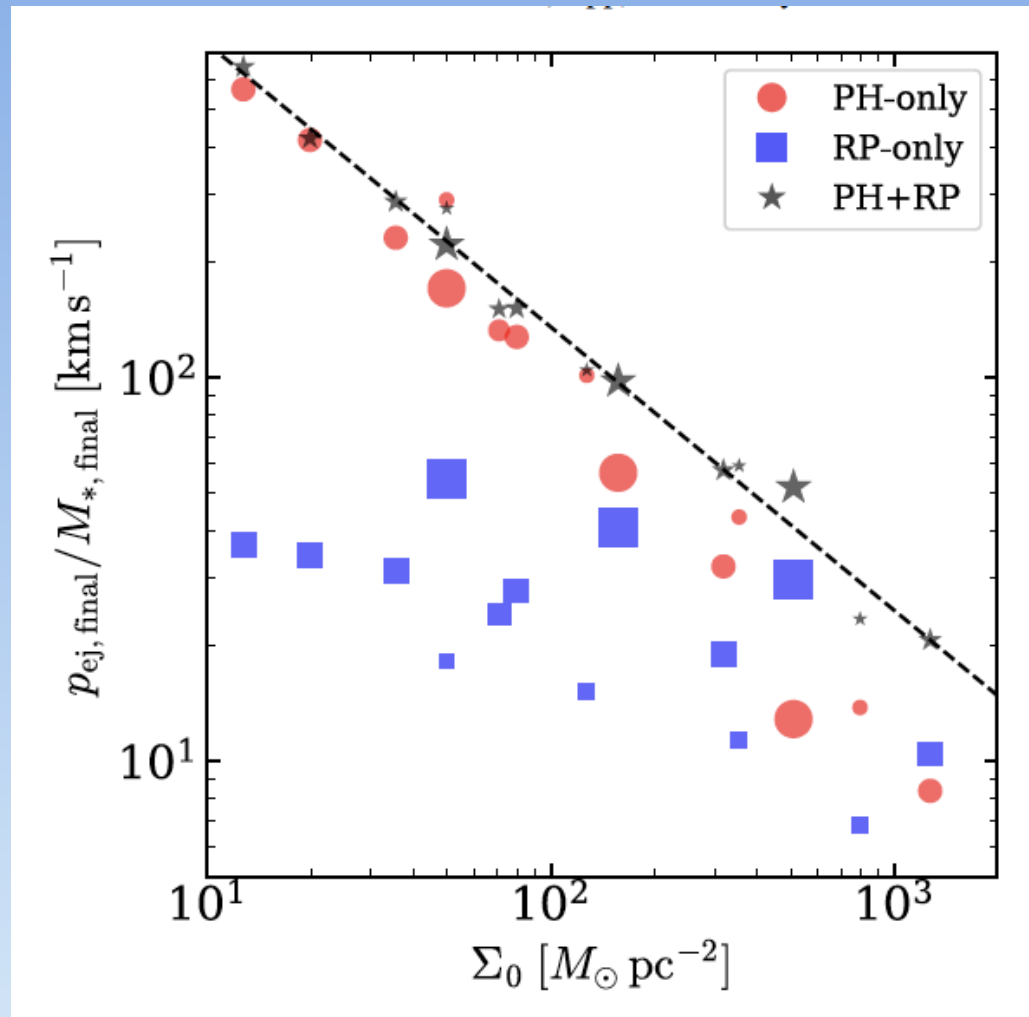
- Reduces radiation pressure force because gas is clumpy (radiation escapes) and sources are distributed (forces cancel)
 - Reduces pressure force from ionized gas because neutrals compressed, photoevaporation area reduced
- Factor 5-10 reduction in force!**

non-ionizing-only vs. ionizing-only



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Momentum yield from radiation feedback

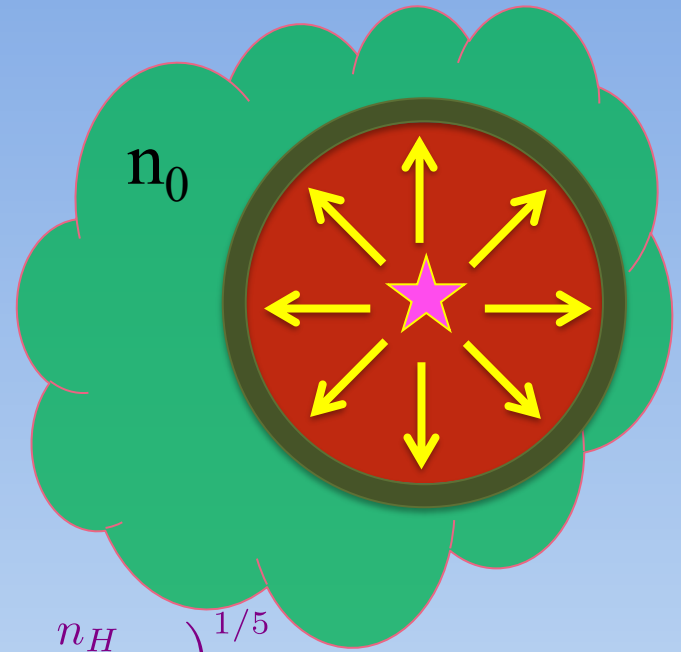


J.-G. Kim, W.-T. Kim, & E.C. Ostriker (2018)

- Photoionization more important than radiation pressure up to $\Sigma_{\text{cloud}} \sim 10^3 M_\odot/\text{pc}^2$
- Factor 5-10 lower injection than idealized estimates
- $p/M_* \sim 100 \text{ km/s}$ for Orion-like system from radiation effects (“early feedback”)

Stellar wind bubble

- O stars have very fast winds which shock to create a high T ($\sim 10^6$ K) bubble
- Energy injection rate (fully sampled IMF):
 $\dot{E}_{w, in} / M_* = (1/2) \dot{M} V_w^2 / M_* = 5 \text{ erg/s/g}$
- Classical solution by Weaver et al (1977) has
 $R \sim (\dot{E} t^3 / \rho)^{1/5}$, which would imply

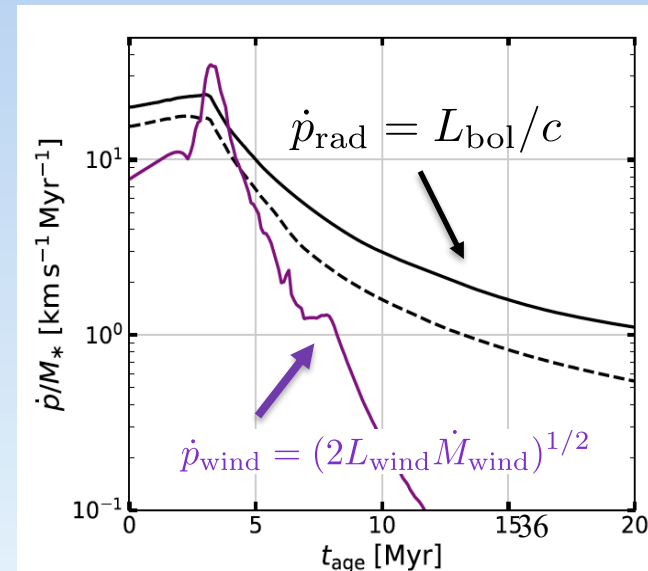


$$\frac{\dot{p}_{wind}}{M_*} = 880 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Myr}^{-1} \left(\frac{t}{\text{Myr}} \right)^{2/5} \left(\frac{M_*}{10^3 M_\odot} \right)^{-1/5} \left(\frac{n_H}{10^2 \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right)^{1/5}$$

- Realistically, **90-99% of energy is lost to cooling** in turbulent interface so that $R \sim (\dot{M} V_w t^2 / \rho)^{1/4}$

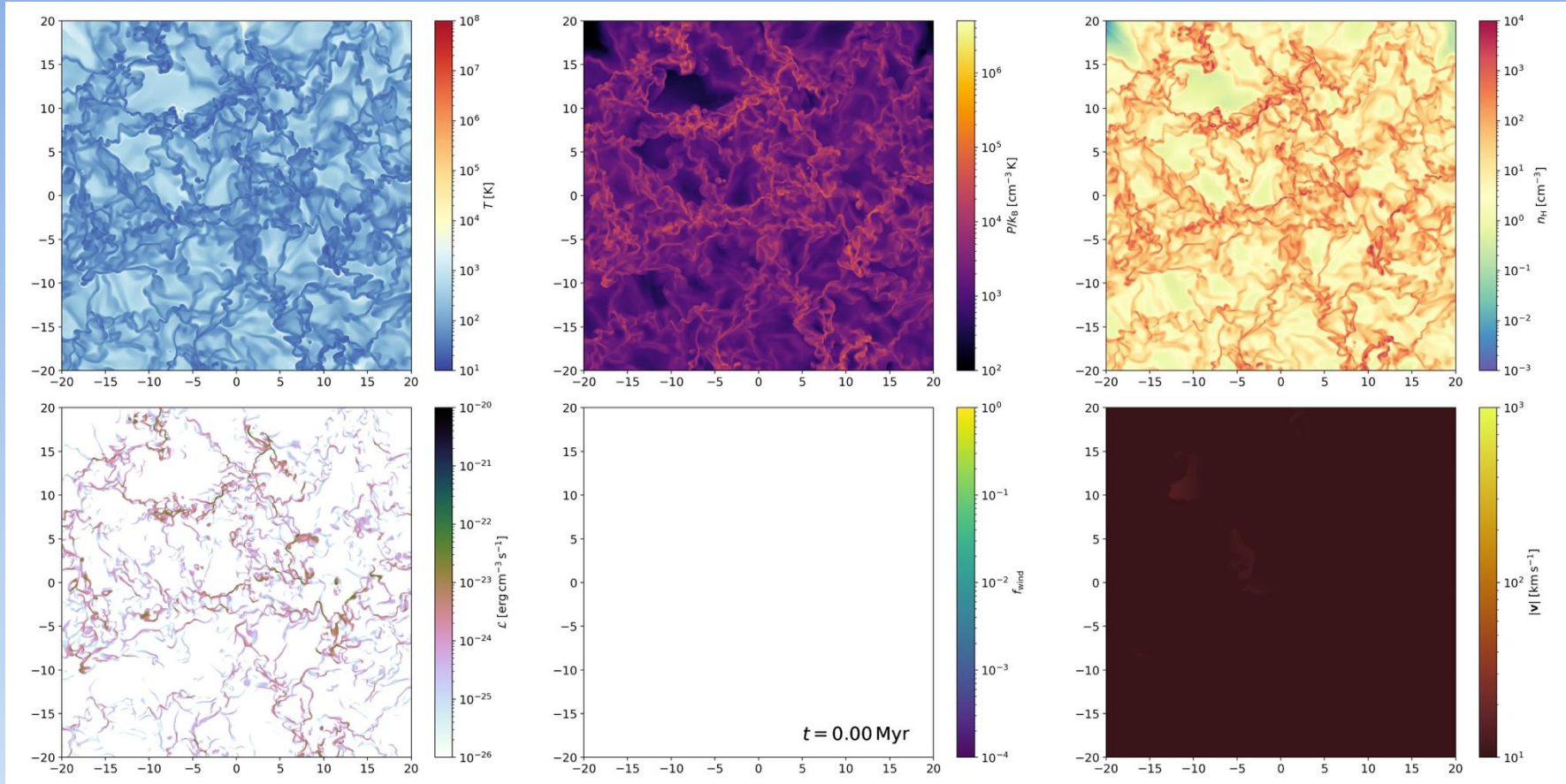
Lancaster, Ostriker, Kim, & Kim (2021a)

- In this case, momentum injection rate from wind is much lower, $\dot{p}_{wind} / M_* \sim (1 - 4) \dot{p}_{in} / M_*$
- With $\dot{p}_{in} / M_* = \dot{M} V_w / M_* = 9 \text{ km/s/Myr}$
wind force $\sim$ radiation pressure force



Stellar wind bubble in turbulent cloud

Lancaster, Ostriker, Kim, & Kim (2021b)



- *Hot gas mixes with ambient gas at turbulent interface, leading to radiative cooling*

Supernovae

- Stars of mass $> 8 M_{\odot}$ have SNe at the end of their lives.
- Explosion drives blast wave into surroundings
- Shock compresses & accelerates ambient gas in shell
- Momentum of shell

$$p(t) \sim [0.6 E_{\text{SN}} M_{\text{shell}}(t)]^{1/2} = M_{\text{shell}}(t) v_{\text{sh}}(t)$$
- Shell cools when $v_{\text{sh}} \sim 200 \text{ km/s}$
- Subsequent 50% increase in momentum during pressure-driven snowplow
- Momentum injection to ISM insensitive to background n_0

- Final momentum 10 $\times$ greater than in initial ejecta*

Shell formation:

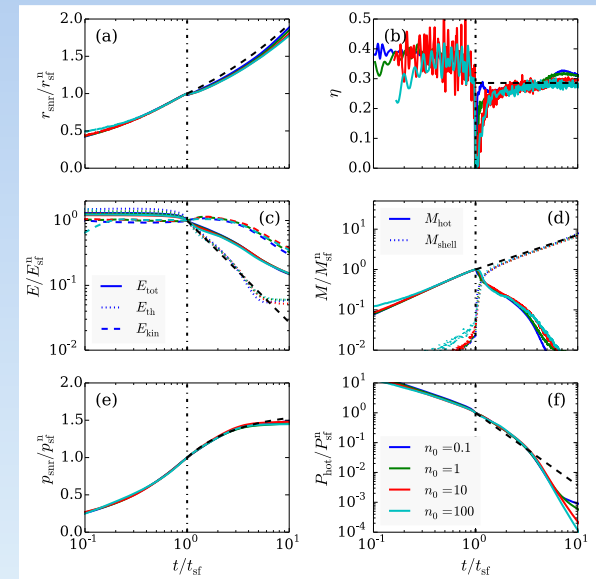
$$t_{sf} = 40 \text{ kyr } n_0^{-0.6}$$

$$r_{sf} = 22 \text{ pc } n_0^{-0.4}$$

$$v_{sf} = 210 \text{ km/s } n_0^{0.1}$$

$$M_{sf} = 1550 M_{\odot} n_0^{-0.3}$$

$$p_{sf} = 2 \times 10^5 M_{\odot} \text{ km/s } n_0^{-0.15}$$

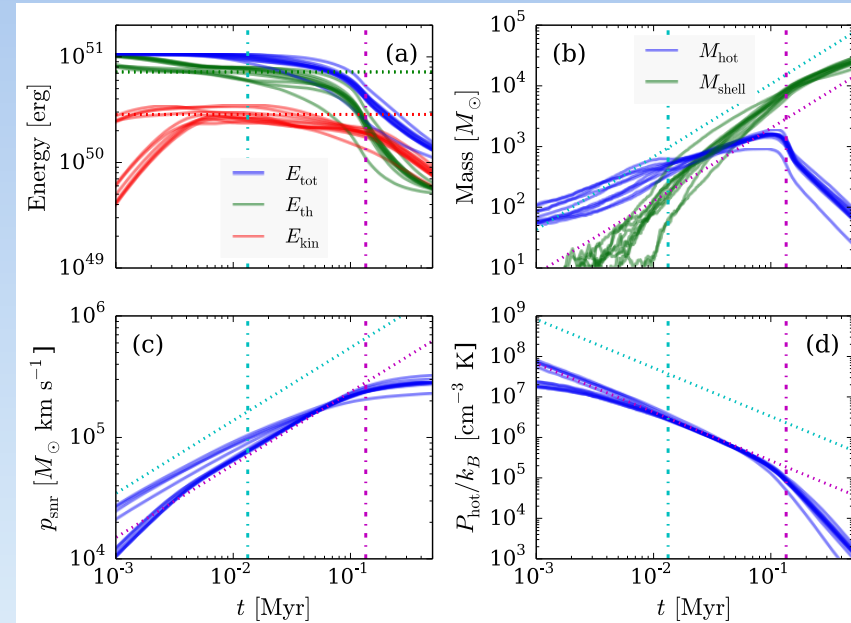
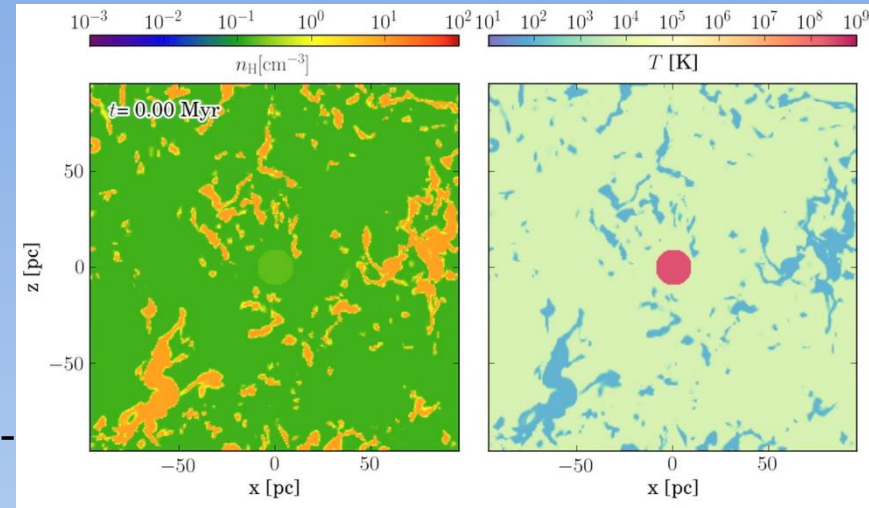


Supernovae

- Cloudy ISM
 - Shell formation time set by volume-filling low density medium
 - Comparable $M_{\text{hot,max}}$ to single-phase
 - Both warm, cold gas is accelerated
 - Comparable momentum injection to single-phase case using average ambient density:

*Iffrig & Hennebelle (2015), C.-G. Kim & Ostriker (2015),
Martizzi et al (2015), Walch & Naab (2015)*

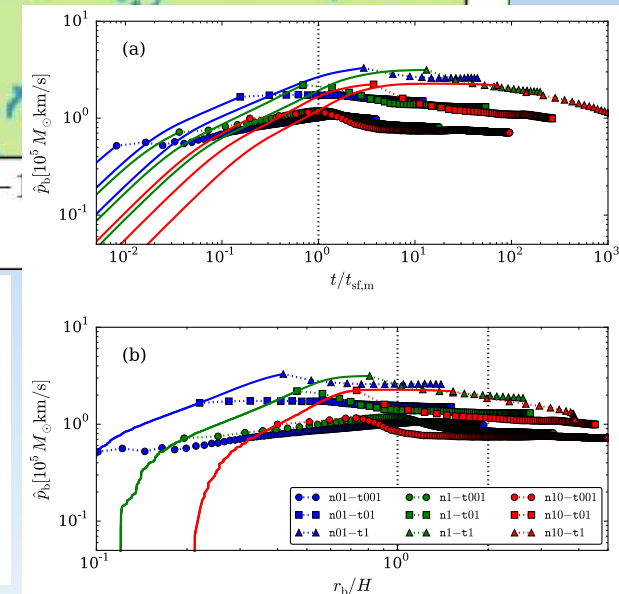
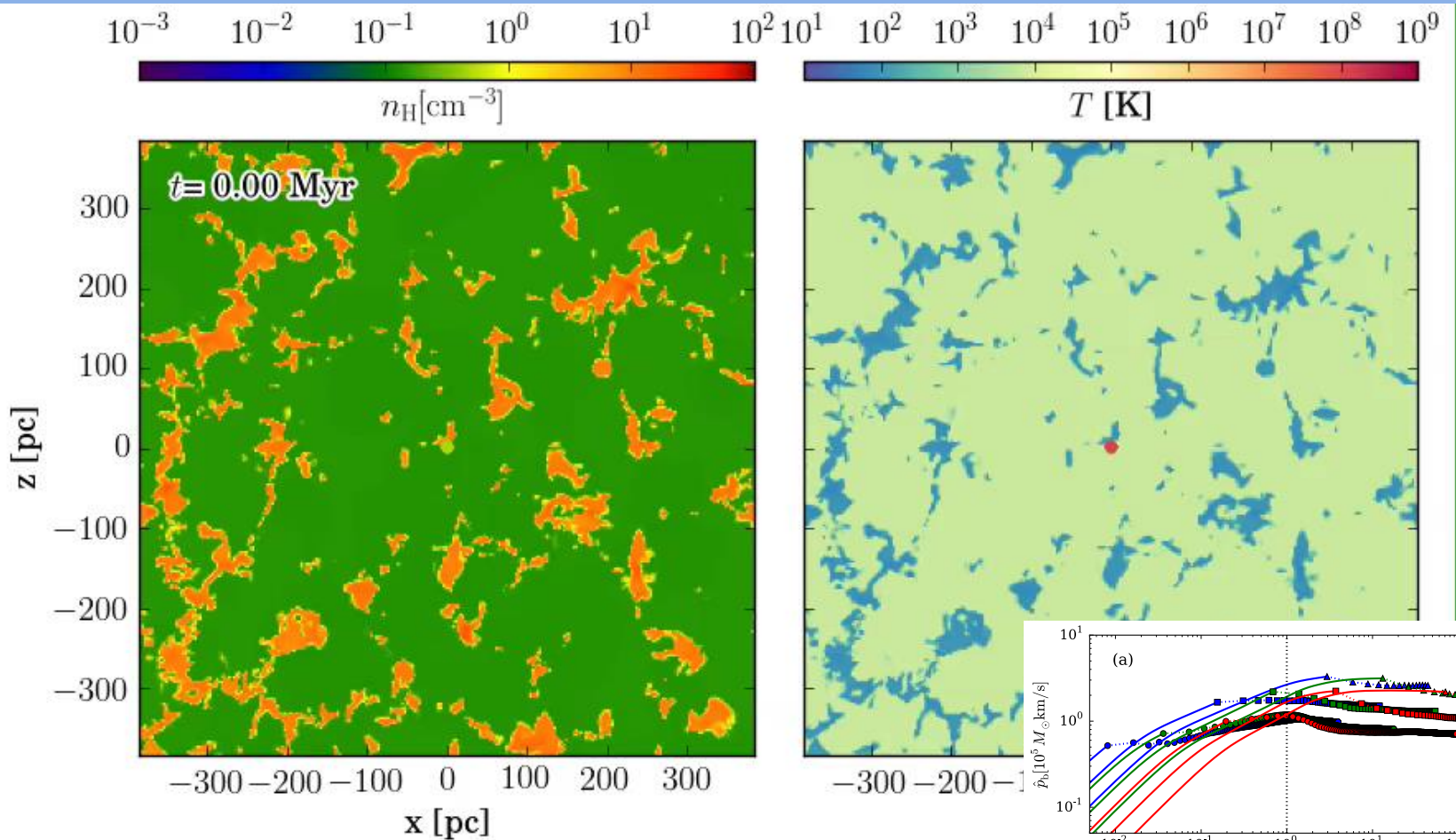
$$p_{\text{final}} = 2.8 \times 10^5 M_{\odot} \text{ km/s } \langle n_0 \rangle^{-0.17}$$



Cloudy-ISM simulations (C.-G. Kim & Ostriker 2015)

Cloudy ISM & multiple SNe

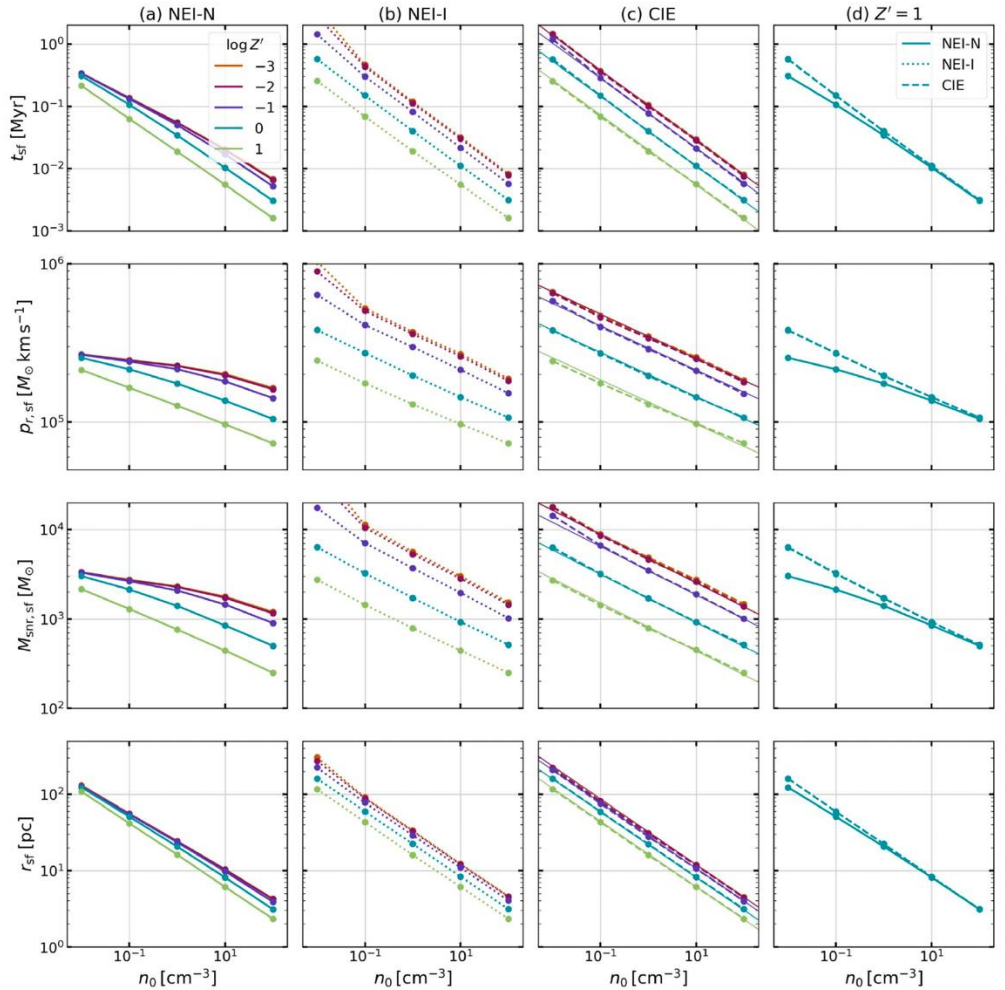
C.-G. Kim, Ostriker, & Raileanu (2017)



- Stars are clustered $\Rightarrow$ SNe are correlated
- Superbubble and individual SN have $\sim$ same p_*/event
- Momentum injection insensitive to ISM structure
- Averaged over IMF, p_*/m_* from SNe is 10x higher than from early feedback

SNe in ISM with varying n , Z

J.-G. Kim, M. Gong, C.-G. Kim, & E. C. Ostriker (2023)



With collisional & ionization equilibrium:

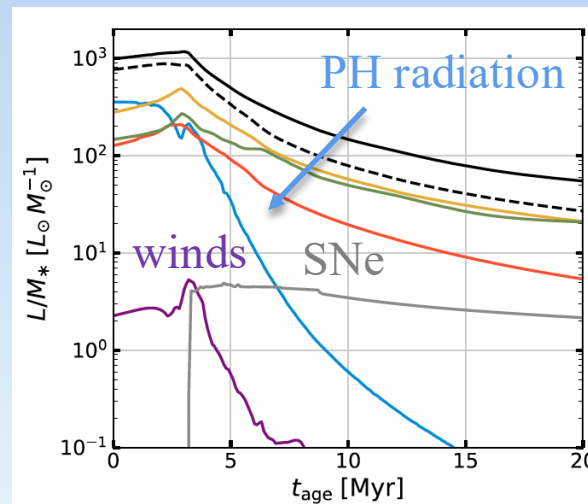
$$\begin{aligned}
 t_{\text{sf}} &= 40 \text{ kyr} \\
 &\times (n_0 / \text{cm}^{-3})^{-0.56} (Z'^2 + Z_0'^2)^{-0.15}, \\
 p_{\text{r,sf}} &= 2 \times 10^5 M_{\odot} \text{ km s}^{-1} \\
 &\times (n_0 / \text{cm}^{-3})^{-0.14} (Z'^2 + Z_0'^2)^{-0.087}, \\
 M_{\text{snr,sf}} &= 1.7 \times 10^3 M_{\odot} \\
 &\times (n_0 / \text{cm}^{-3})^{-0.27} (Z'^2 + Z_0'^2)^{-0.16}, \\
 r_{\text{sf}} &= 22 \text{ pc} \\
 &\times (n_0 / \text{cm}^{-3})^{-0.43} (Z'^2 + Z_0'^2)^{-0.061},
 \end{aligned}$$

Momentum injection is insensitive to density & metallicity

Momentum injection: conclusions

- Over 5-10 Myr lifetime of star-forming cloud, largest effect is from photoionization
 - *leads to the destruction/dispersal of GMCs*
- Over ~ 40 Myr lifetime of *all* massive stars, largest effect is from SNe
 - *most SN momentum goes into the diffuse ISM*
- Momentum/cluster mass from radiative SNe:

$$p_*/m_* \sim 2000 \text{ km/s}$$



III. SFE in GMCs with feedback

Radiation pressure and SFE: scalings

- Radiation pressure force:

$$L/c = \Psi M_*/c = \epsilon M_{\text{cloud}} \Psi / c$$

- Gravitational force on ejected gas:

$$GM_{\text{ej}}M_{\text{cloud}}/R^2 = (1 - \epsilon)G(M_{\text{cloud}}/R^2)$$

- *Radiation force exceeds gravity provided*

$$\frac{\epsilon}{1 - \epsilon} > \frac{cG}{\Psi} \frac{M_{\text{cloud}}}{R^2} \sim \frac{cG}{\Psi} \Sigma_{\text{cloud}}$$

Suggests higher SFE ϵ when Σ_{cloud} is higher

Ionized gas pressure and SFE: scalings

- Ionized gas force for spherical HII region:

$$4\pi R^2 n k T = k T \left(\frac{12\pi Q R}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2} = k T \left(\frac{12\pi \Xi \varepsilon M_{\text{cloud}} R}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2}$$

- Gravitational force on ejected gas:

$$G M_{\text{ej}} M_{\text{cloud}} / R^2 = (1 - \varepsilon) G (M_{\text{cloud}} / R)^2$$

- *Gas pressure force exceeds gravity provided*

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{(1 - \varepsilon)^2} \sim \frac{G^2 \alpha_B}{m_p^2 c_I^2 \Xi} \Sigma_{\text{cloud}}^{5/2} M_{\text{cloud}}^{1/2}$$

Suggests higher SFE when Σ_{cloud} , M_{cloud} higher

Photoevaporation and SFE: scalings

- Photoevaporation rate:

$$\dot{N} = c_I A n \sim c_I \left(\frac{QR}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2} \sim c_I \left(\frac{\Xi}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\varepsilon M_{\text{cloud}} R_{\text{cloud}}}{\alpha_B} \right)^{1/2}$$

- Can lose $\sim(1-\varepsilon)M_{\text{cloud}}$ within $\sim t_{\text{ff}} \sim (R_{\text{cloud}}^3/GM_{\text{cloud}})^{1/2}$

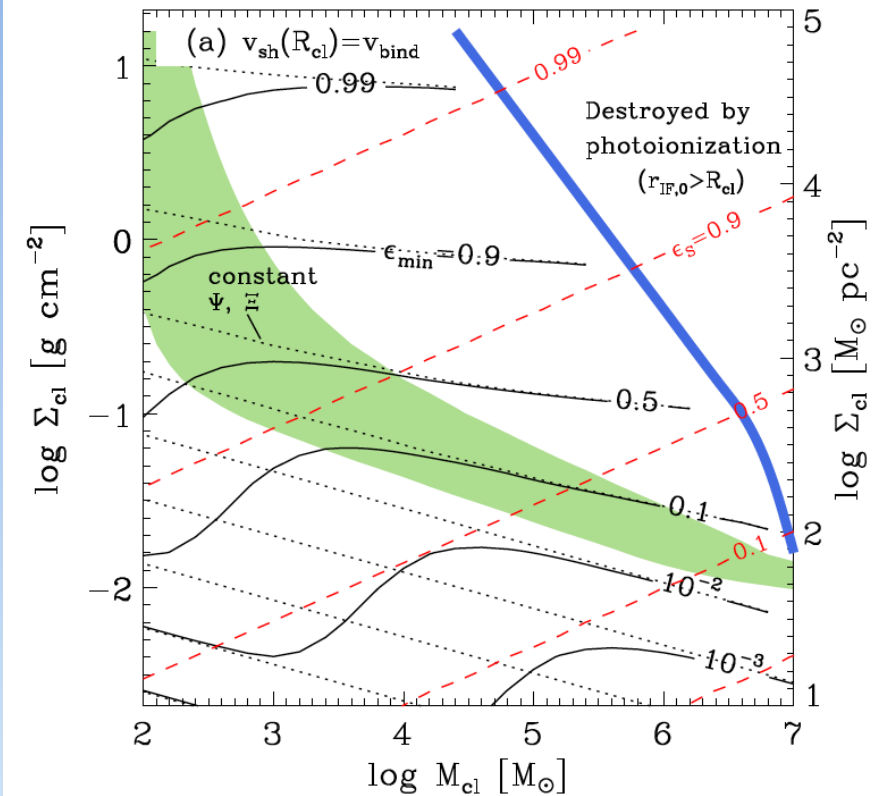
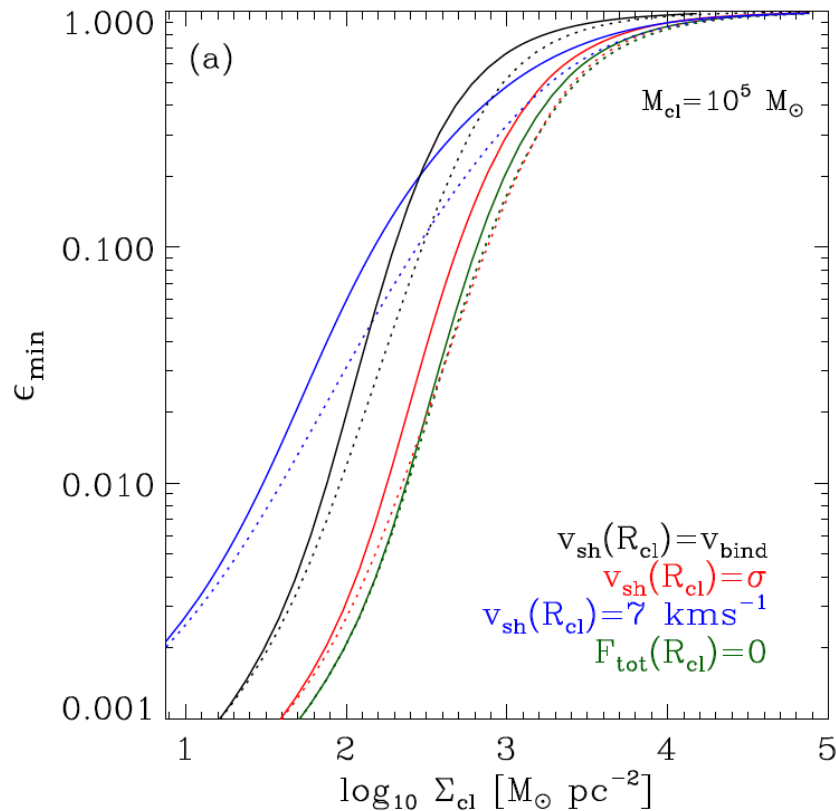
provided:

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{(1-\varepsilon)^2} \sim \frac{G\alpha_B}{m_p^2 c_I^2 \Xi} \Sigma_{\text{cloud}}^2 \sim \left(\frac{\Sigma_{\text{cloud}}}{500 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}} \right)^2$$

- Alternatively, using sol'n for expanding blister HII region to reach R_{cloud} (Matzner 2002): $\varepsilon \propto \Sigma^{3/2} M^{-1/2}$

Suggests higher SFE when Σ_{cloud} is higher

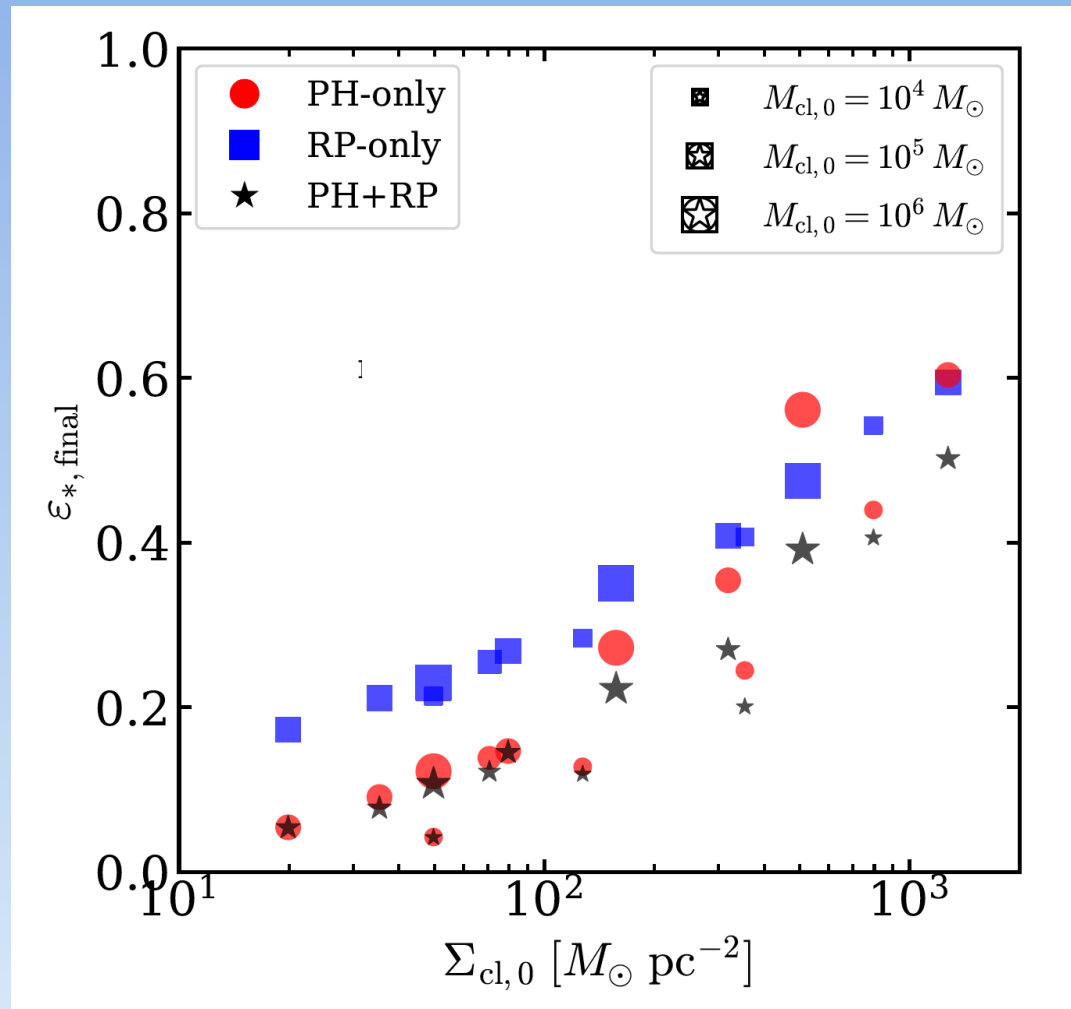
Spherical cloud: SFE from dynamical disruption



J.-G. Kim, W.-T. Kim, & Ostriker (2016)

Predicted SFE for spherical model $\epsilon \sim 0.01 - 0.1$ for typical MW GMC properties

SFE with ionizing and/or non-ionizing radiation



J.-G. Kim, W.-T. Kim, & E.C. Ostriker (2018)

Ionizing radiation is more important than non-ionizing in clouds at moderate Σ_{cloud}

Photoevaporation model for SFE

$$Q_{i,eff} = (1 - f_{esc} - f_{dust})Q_i$$

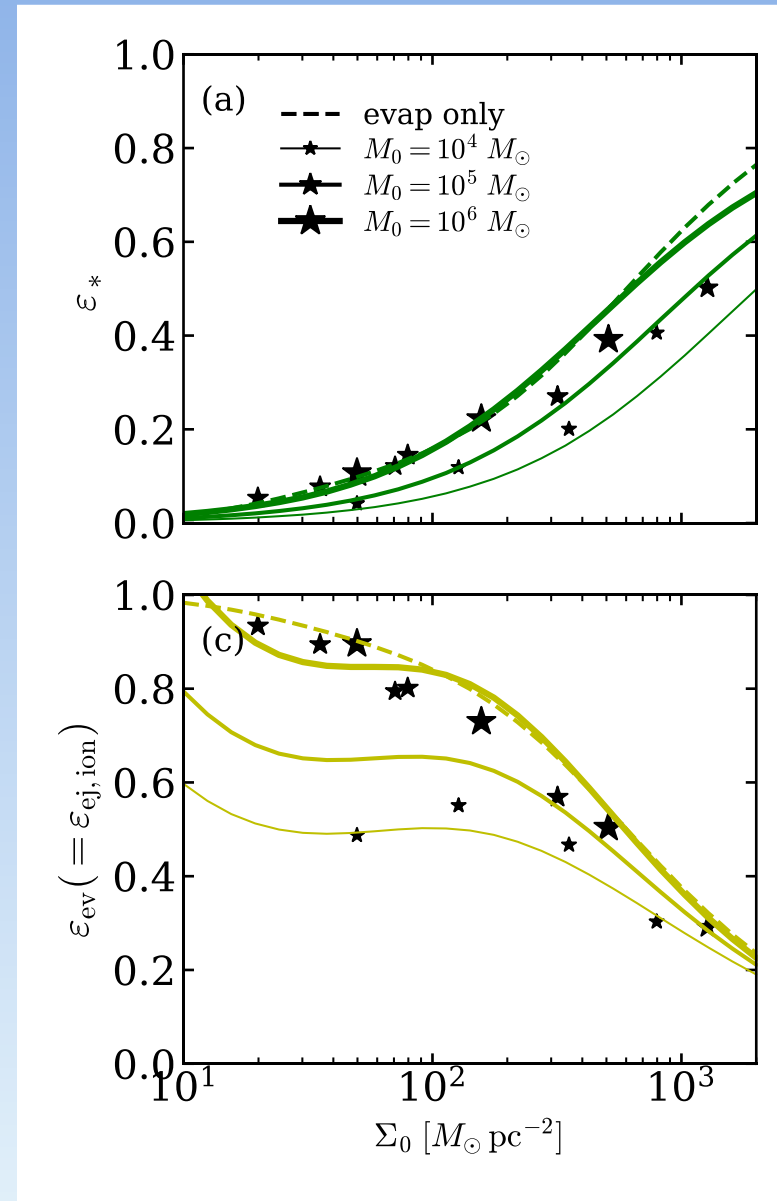
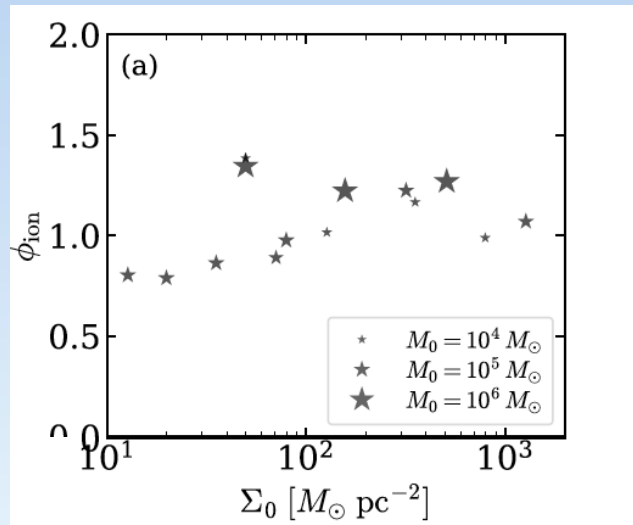
$$= \int I dV$$

$$\approx \int \mathcal{R} dV \equiv \alpha_B n_i^2 A_i H_i$$

$$\dot{N}_e \equiv n_i c_i A_i$$

$$\approx \frac{c_i}{\alpha_B^{1/2}} \left(\frac{Q_{i,eff} A_i}{H_i} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\rightarrow \phi_{ion} \frac{c_i}{\alpha_B^{1/2}} (Q_{i,max} R_0)^{1/2}$$

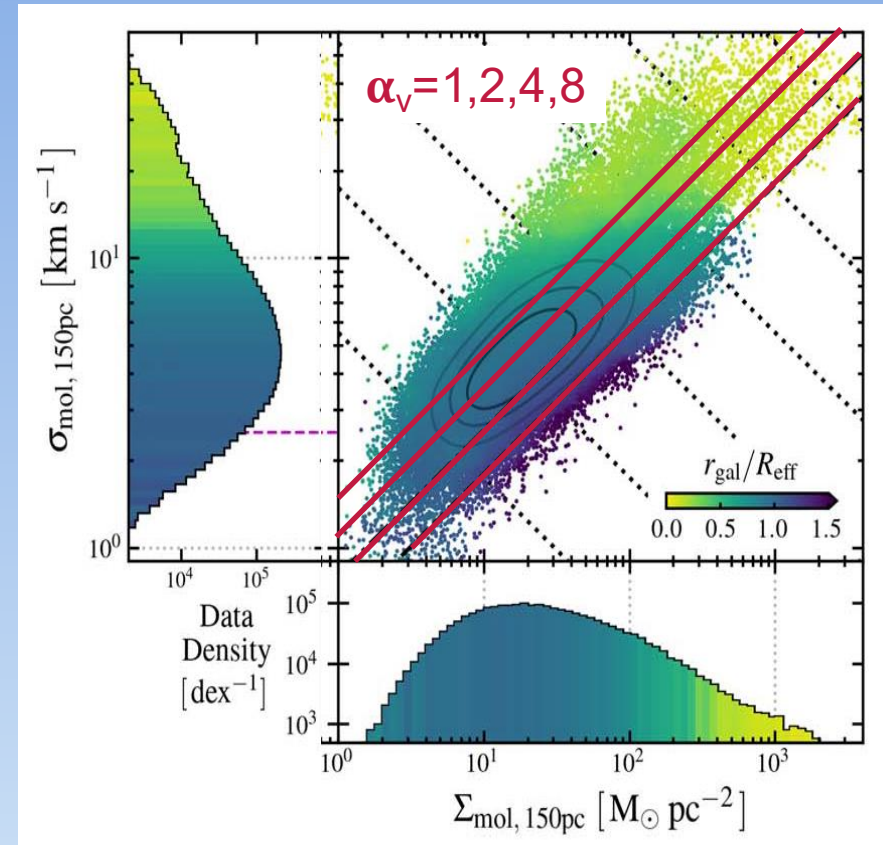


Virial parameter in GMCs

- Traditional virial parameter defined as $\alpha_v = 2E_k/E_g$
- For isolated spherical cloud with uniform density:

$$\alpha_v = 5 \sigma_{\text{los}}^2 R / (GM)$$
- At fixed R (fixed beam),

$$\sigma_{\text{los}}^2 = \alpha_v G \Sigma \pi R / 5 \propto \alpha_v \Sigma$$
- *Observations suggest that most of molecular gas in galaxies is only lightly bound at $\sim 100\text{pc}$ scale, $\alpha_v \sim 4$*
- **Note:** traditional estimate also **neglects** tidal effects, internal substructure, stratification for E_g

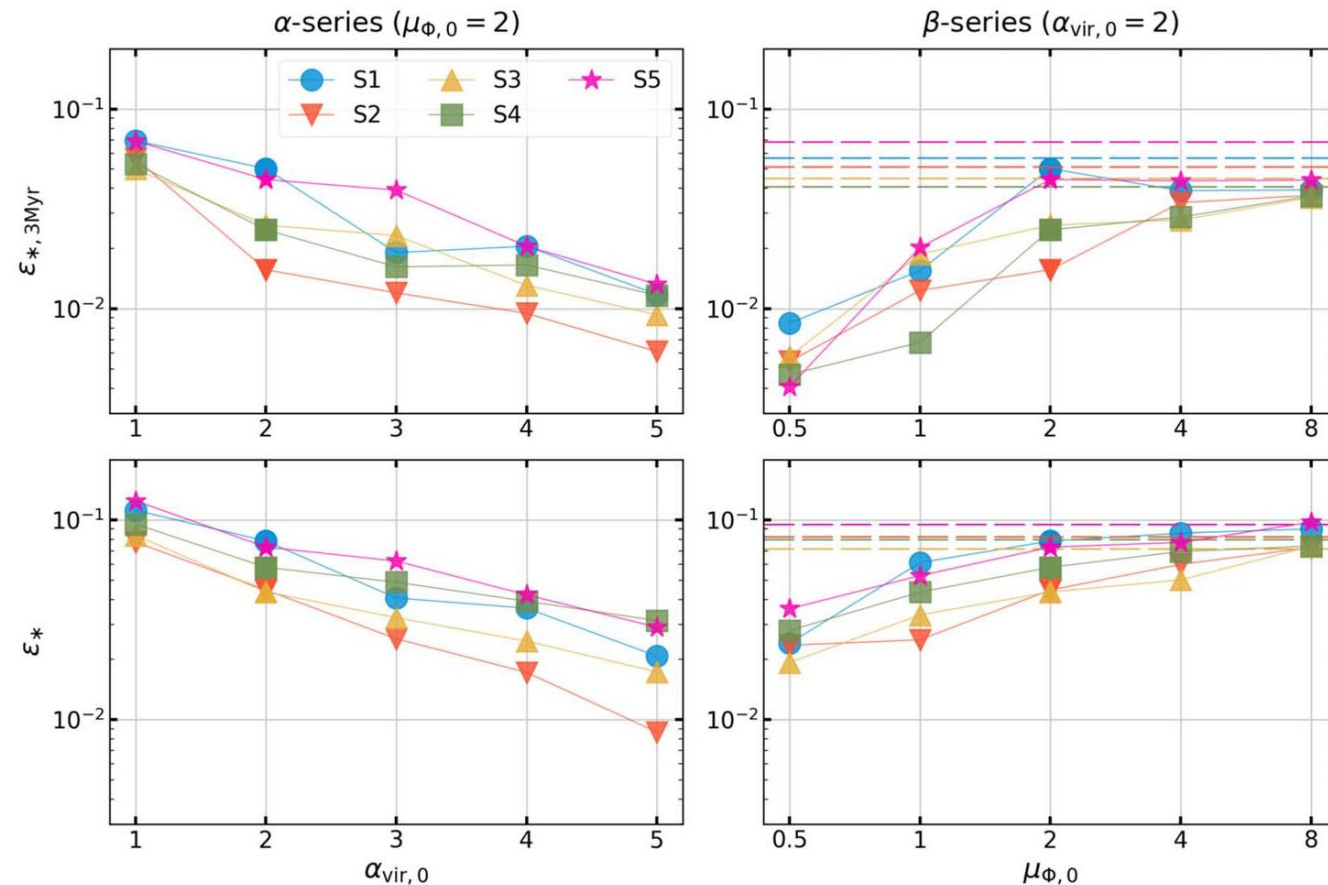


Sun et al (2020) (PHANGS)

Turbulence and magnetization effects

THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL, 911:128 (36pp), 2021 April 20

Kim, Ostriker, & Filippova



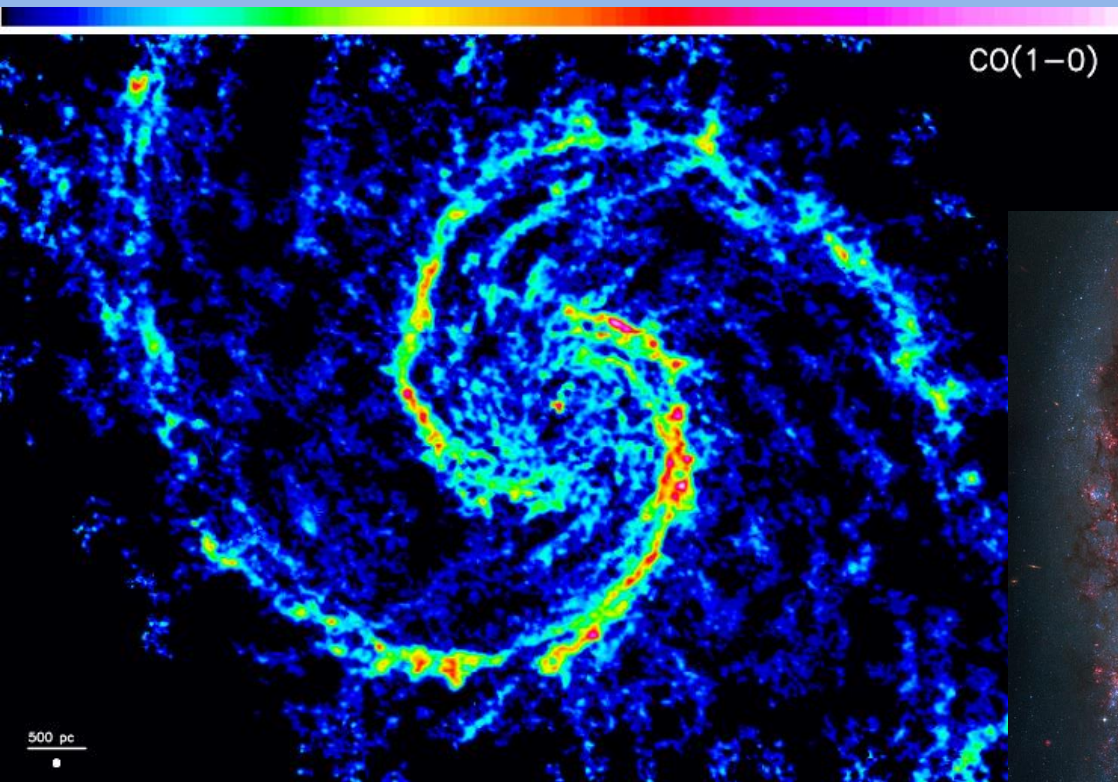
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SFE in RMHD simulations for varying

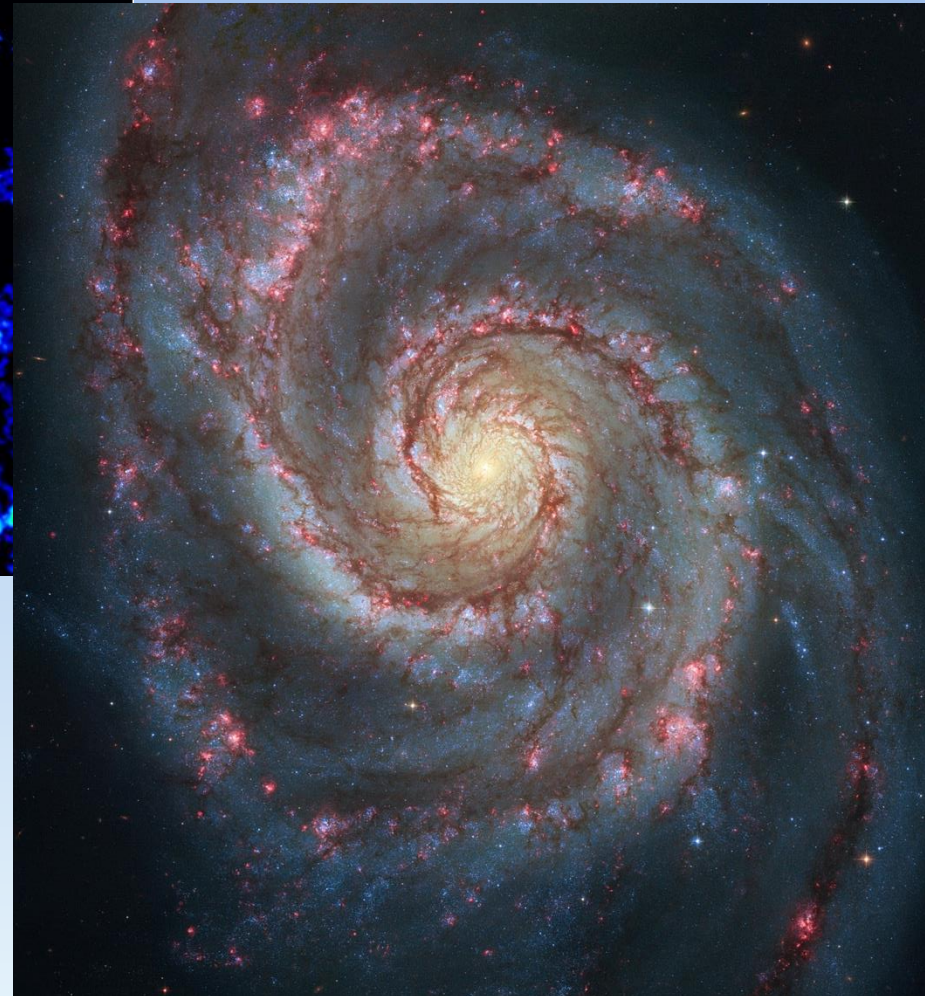
- initial α_v
- μ =mass-to-magnetic flux ratio

IV. SFR regulation in the large-scale ISM with feedback

star formation regulation



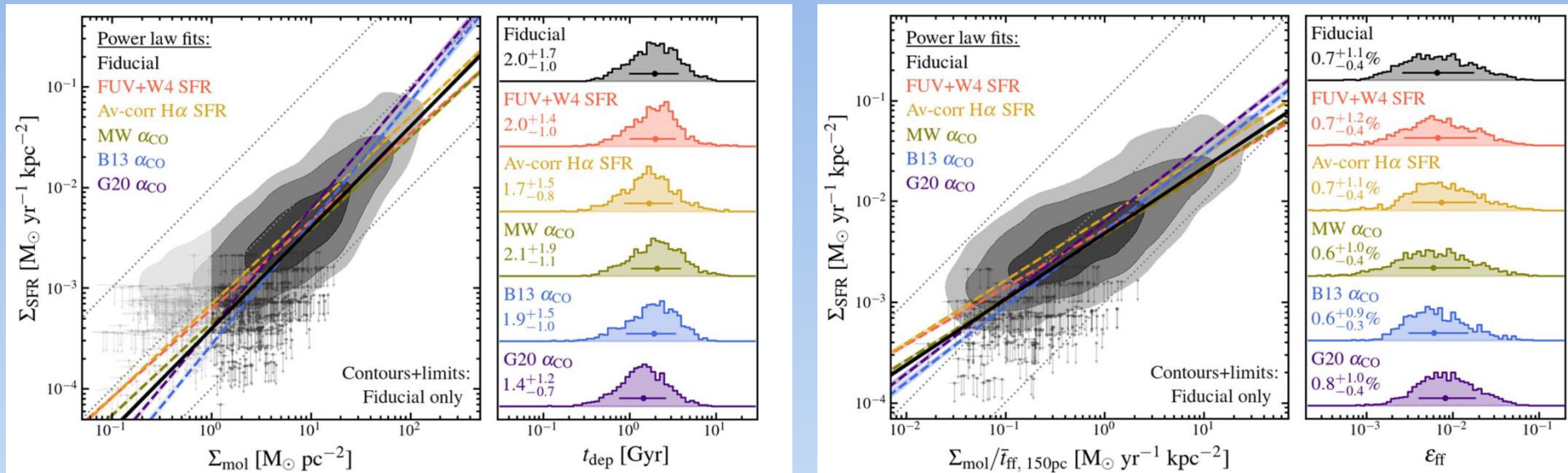
M51: Hubble Heritage



M51: PAWS (Schinnerer et al 2013)

*How does feedback
regulate SFRs of
galaxies?*

Large-scale “gas consumption” in galaxies



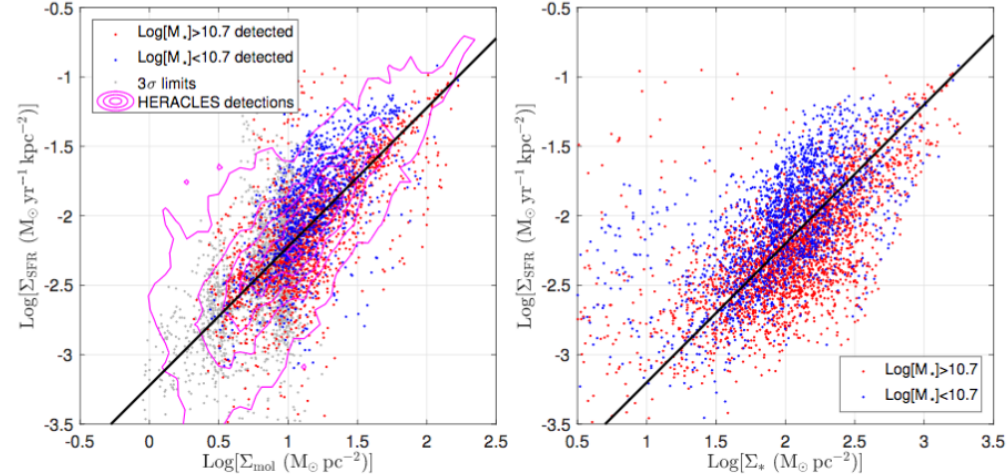
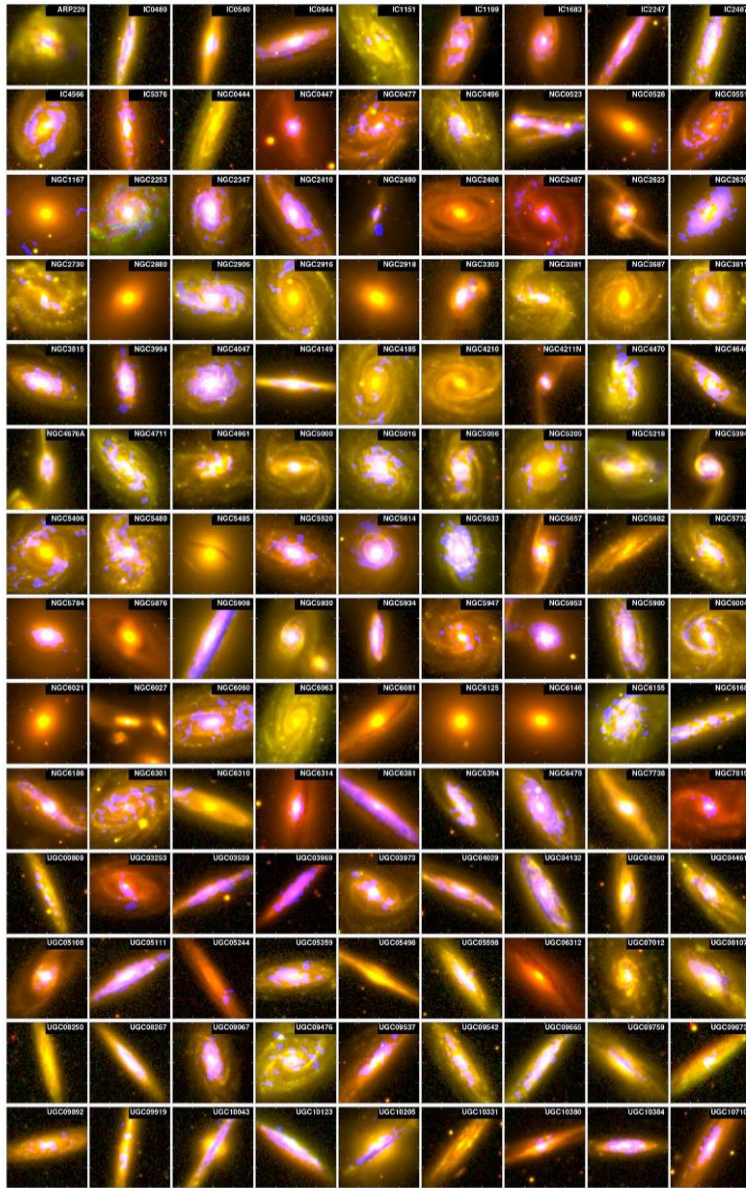
Sun et al (2023): PHANGS survey of 80 nearby galaxies

Conclusion: large-scale galactic $t_{\text{dep}} = \Sigma_{\text{gas}} / \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} \sim \text{Gyr}$

This is much longer than t_{ff} in ambient gas (50Myr) or clouds (5Myr)

SFR/stellar correlation

THE CARMA EDGE-CALIFA SURVEY



EDGE survey: Bolatto et al (2017)

- Σ_{SFR} increases with Σ_{mol}
 - Σ_{SFR} increases with Σ_*
- $\Rightarrow$ gas “fuel” *and* galactic environment *equally important*

Σ_* *important because it sets vertical **gravity** g_z in disk*

Self-regulation concept

Cooling and turbulent dissipation times in the ISM are short

- leads to massive cloud formation on large scales
- leads to localized collapse within massive clouds

When some gas collapses to make new stars

- massive stars inject energy, momentum to their surroundings
- short stellar lifetimes $\Rightarrow$ feedback injection is rapid compared to system evolution

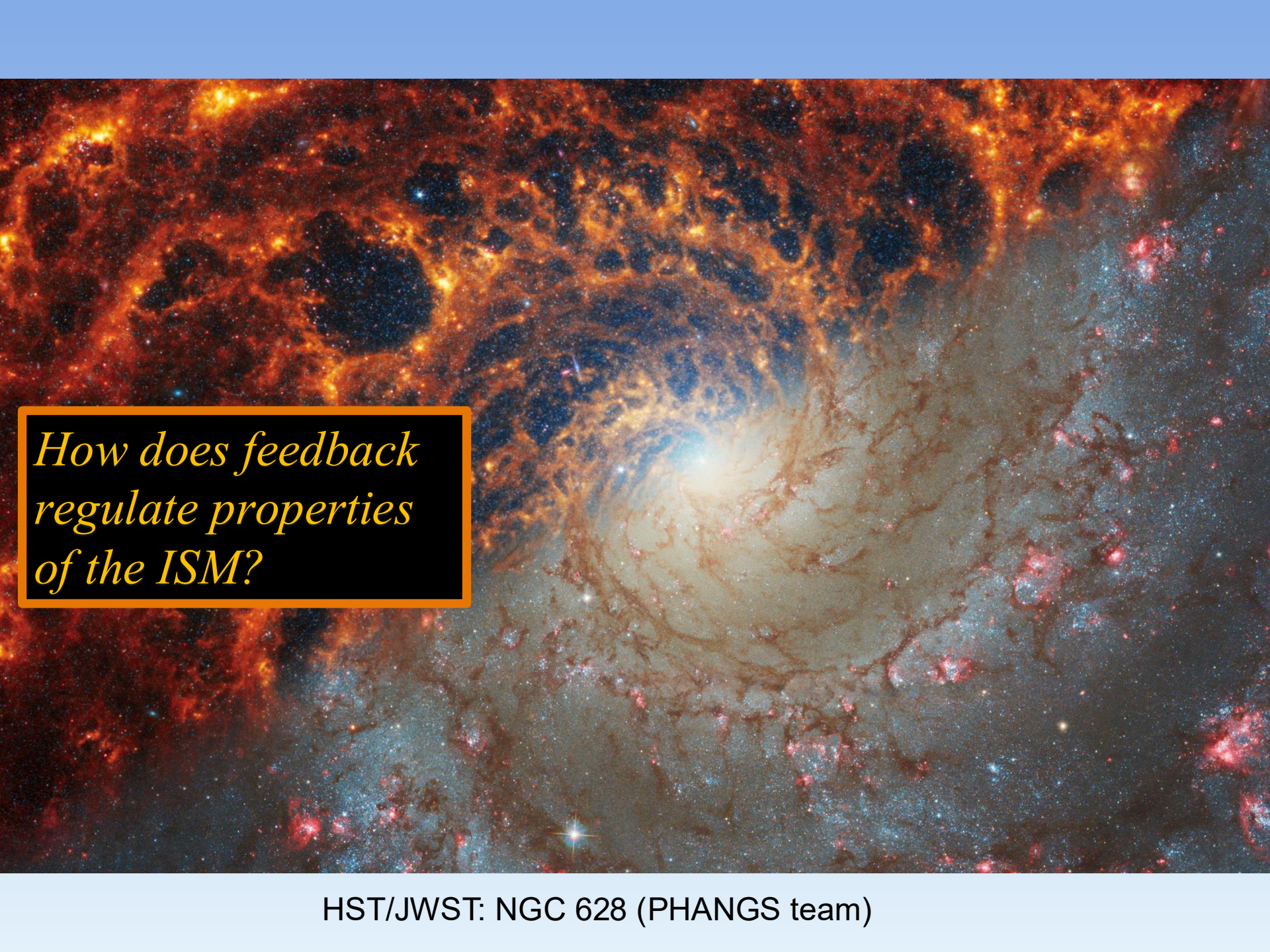
Energy injection by massive stars

- transforms thermal phase state of ISM gas (offsetting cooling)
- accelerates motions on a range of scales (offsetting dissipation)
- limits local collapse and may remove “fuel” from system

*Star formation **now** regulates*

- *Near-future* state of the ISM
- *Near-to-far future* star formation

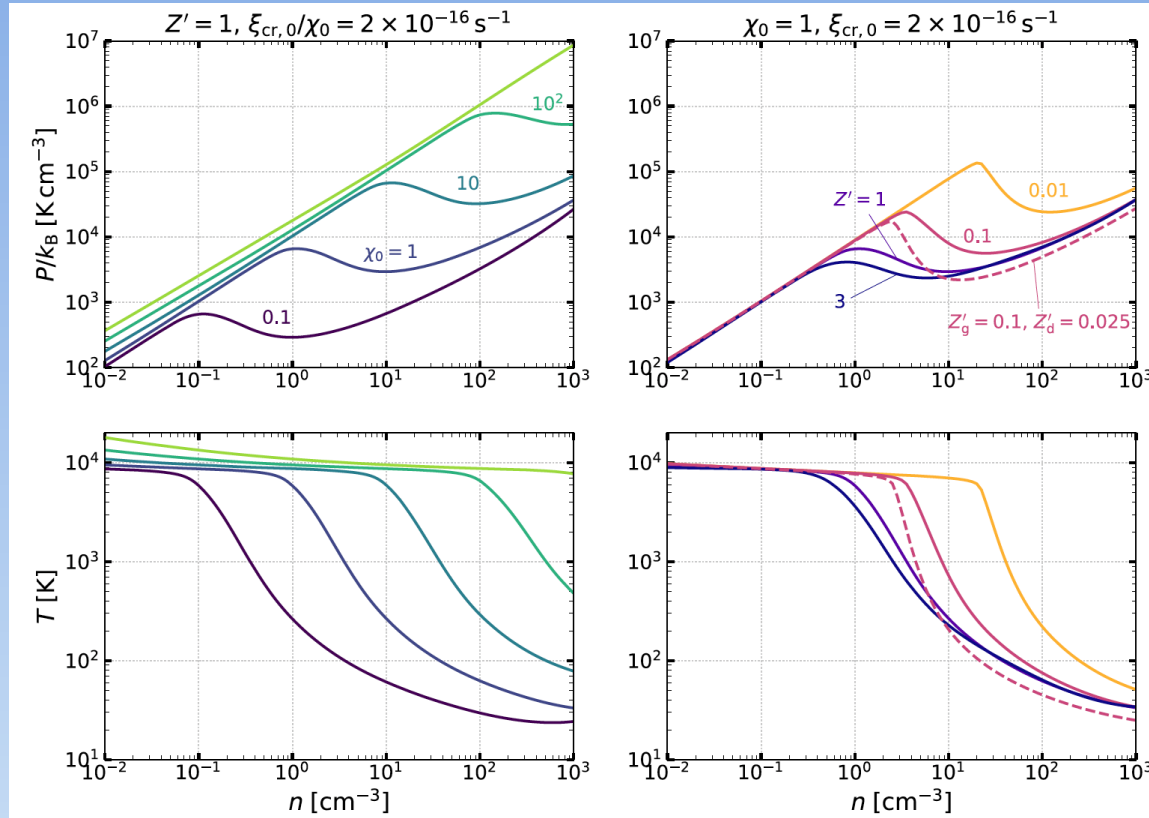
On galactic scales, feedback requirements to maintain ISM equilibrium can be used to predict star formation rate



*How does feedback
regulate properties
of the ISM?*

HST/JWST: NGC 628 (PHANGS team)

Thermal pressure from FUV + CRs



J.-G. Kim et al (2023)

- “Two-phase” thermal pressure $P_{\text{two-phase}} \propto \chi_{\text{FUV}} = J_{\text{FUV}}/J_{\text{Draine}}$
- $\chi_{\text{FUV}} \propto J_{\text{FUV}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{FUV}} \propto \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$, with dust attenuation factor:

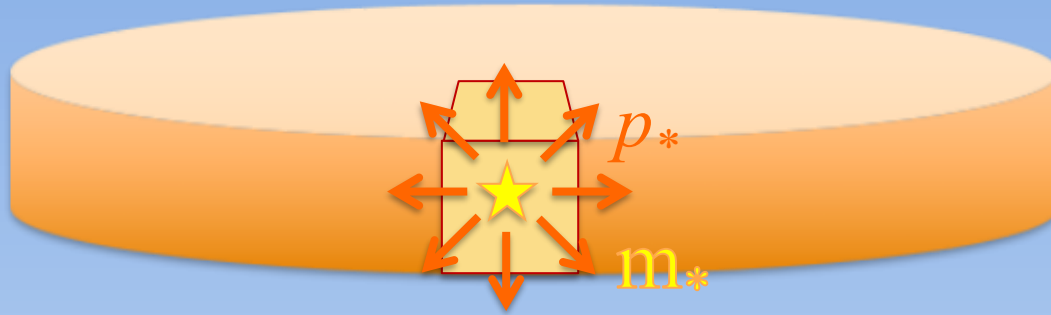
$$J_{\text{FUV}} \equiv \mathcal{J} \Sigma_{\text{FUV}} / (4\pi); \quad \mathcal{J} \approx \frac{1}{\tau_{\perp}} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2\tau_{\perp}} + \frac{E_3(\tau_{\perp})}{\tau_{\perp}} \right]$$

$P_{\text{th}} = Y_{\text{th}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$ for FUV thermal heating

$Y_{\text{th}} \sim 250 \text{ km/s}$ is “yield” in solar neighborhood; higher when τ_{dust} lower

Turbulent pressure from SNe

Momentum injection sets the turbulent pressure



- Driving and dissipation: $\dot{\mathcal{E}}_{in} \sim \dot{p}\sigma \sim \frac{p_*}{m_*} \Sigma_{SFR} H^2 \sigma$
- Balancing: $\dot{\mathcal{E}}_{out} \sim (\rho H^3) \sigma^2 \frac{\sigma}{H} \sim \rho \sigma^3 H^2$
 $\dot{\mathcal{E}}_{in} = \dot{\mathcal{E}}_{out} \Rightarrow P_{turb} = \rho \sigma^2 \sim \frac{p_*}{m_*} \Sigma_{SFR}$
- Alternatively, vertical momentum flux/area:

$$P_{turb} \sim \frac{p_{+,z}}{m_*} \Sigma_{SFR} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{p_*}{m_*} \Sigma_{SFR}$$

$$P_{turb} = Y_{turb} \Sigma_{SFR} \text{ for turb. "yield" } Y_{turb} = p_*/(4 m_*) \sim 500 \text{ km/s}$$

Feedback yield in the ISM

- Thermal pressure in w+c ISM, from FUV PE + CR heating:

$$n\Lambda(T) = \Gamma \propto J_{\text{FUV}}, \xi_{\text{CR}} \Rightarrow P_{\text{th}} \Lambda(T)/T \propto \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} \Rightarrow P_{\text{th}} = \Upsilon_{\text{th}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$$

- Turbulent pressure, largely from SN momentum injection:

$$P_{\text{turb}} \sim (1/4) p_* \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} / m_* \Rightarrow P_{\text{turb}} = \Upsilon_{\text{turb}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$$

- Magnetic pressure, driven by turbulence (+sheared rotation):

$$P_{\delta B} \sim 0.4 P_{\text{turb}} \Rightarrow P_{\delta B} = \Upsilon_{\delta B} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$$

Total ISM pressure $P_{\text{tot}} = P_{\text{th}} + P_{\text{turb}} + P_{\text{B}} = \Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$

Total expected yield $\Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \sim 1000 \text{ km/s}$ for $Z'=1$

SF-ISM with TIGRESS*/TIGRESS-NCR/TIGRESS++

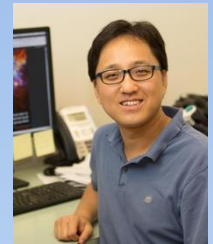
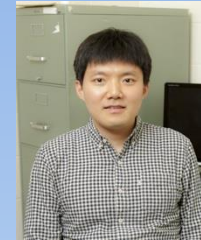
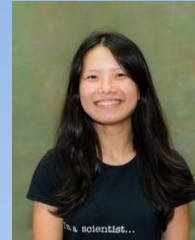
Key physics elements for studying the star-forming ISM, from GMC scales to kpc-patch scales:

- hydrodynamics/MHD
- gravity
- star formation/sink particles
- stellar feedback
 - supernovae
 - radiation (*adaptive ray tracing*)
 - winds
 - cosmic rays
- photochemistry (*non-equilibrium*)
- multiphase gas cooling and heating

Implemented in Athena/Athena++

* *Three-phase ISM in Galaxies Resolving Evolution with Star formation and Stellar feedback*

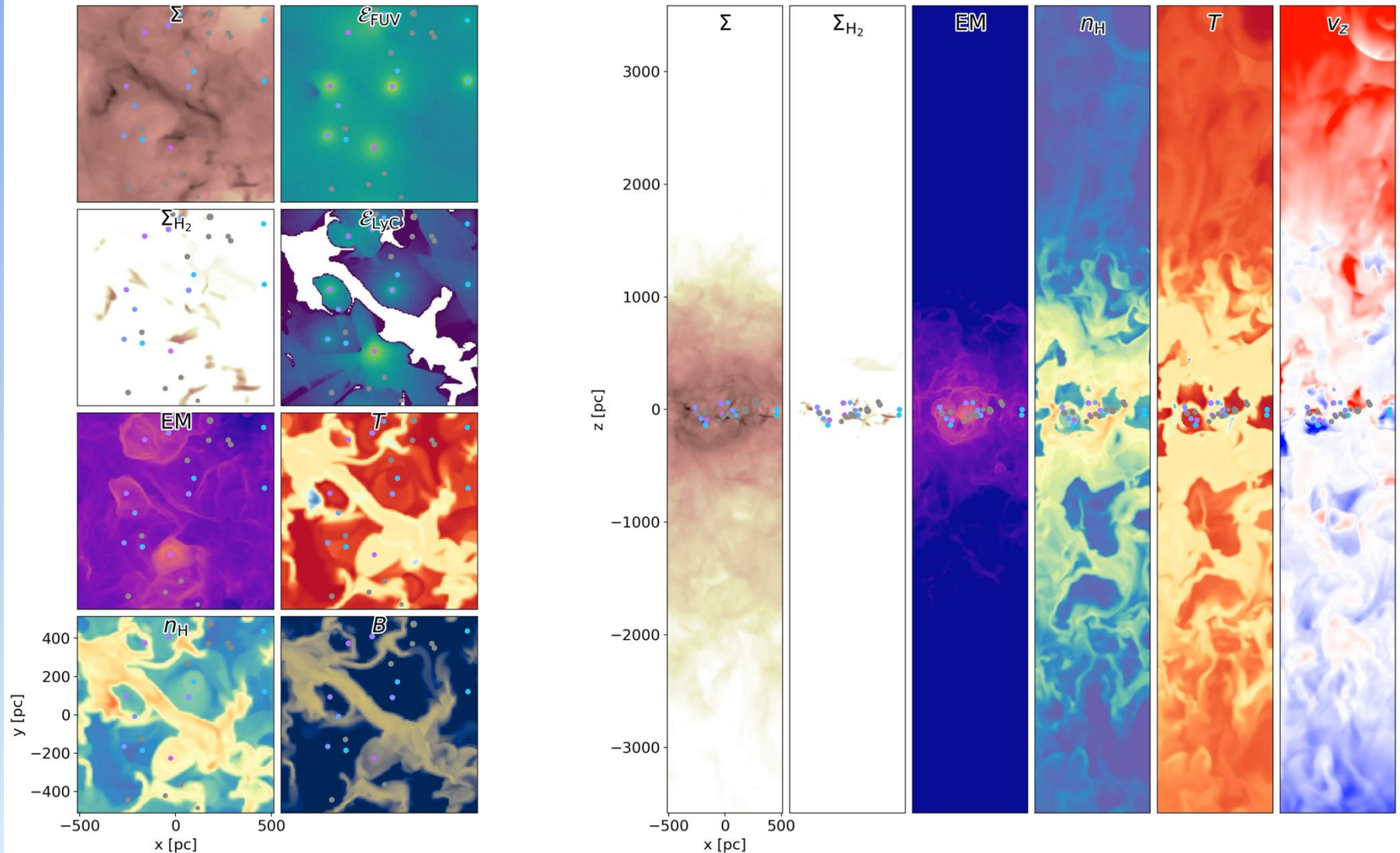
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Star-forming ISM with TIGRESS*/TIGRESS-NCR/TIGRESS++

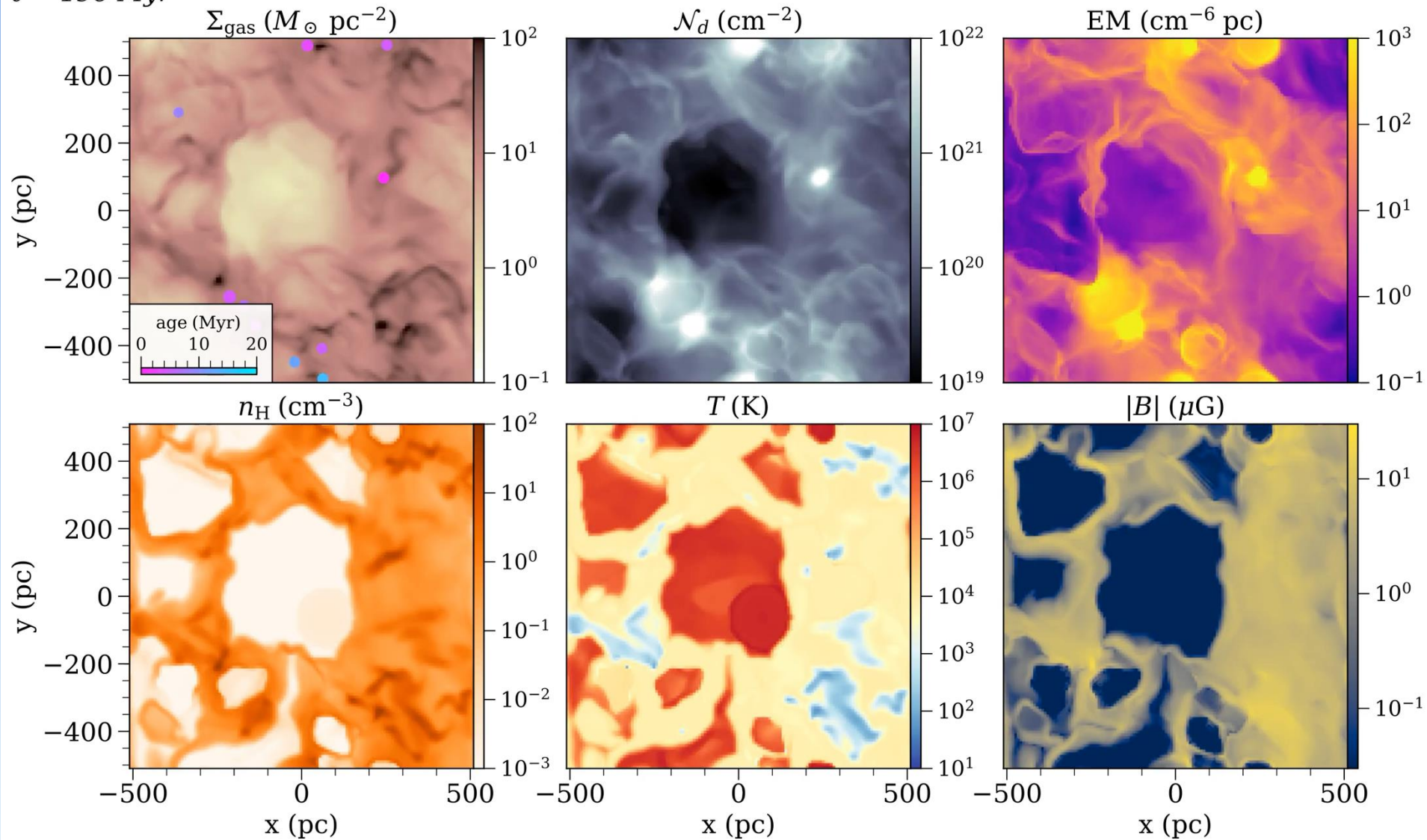
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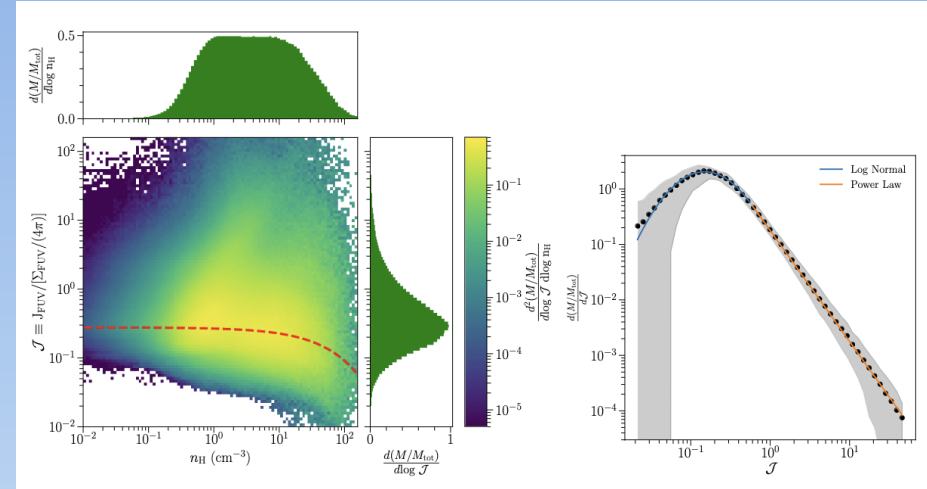
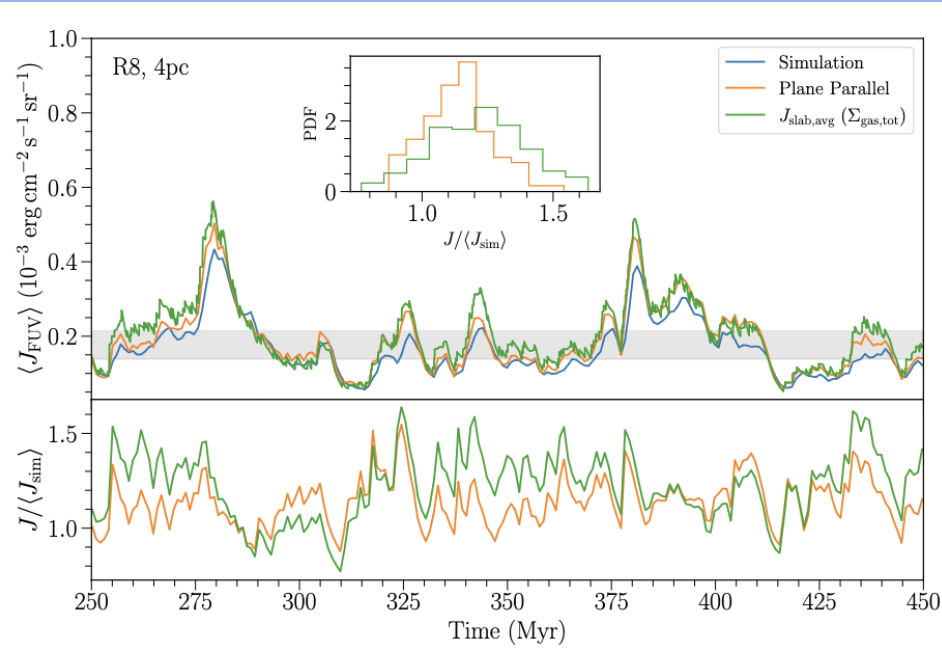
* *T*hree-phase *ISM* in *Galaxies* *R*esolving *E*volution with *S*tar formation and *S*tellar feedback

Radiation and heating in TIGRESS-NCR

$t = 196 \text{ Myr}$



Radiation and heating in TIGRESS-NCR



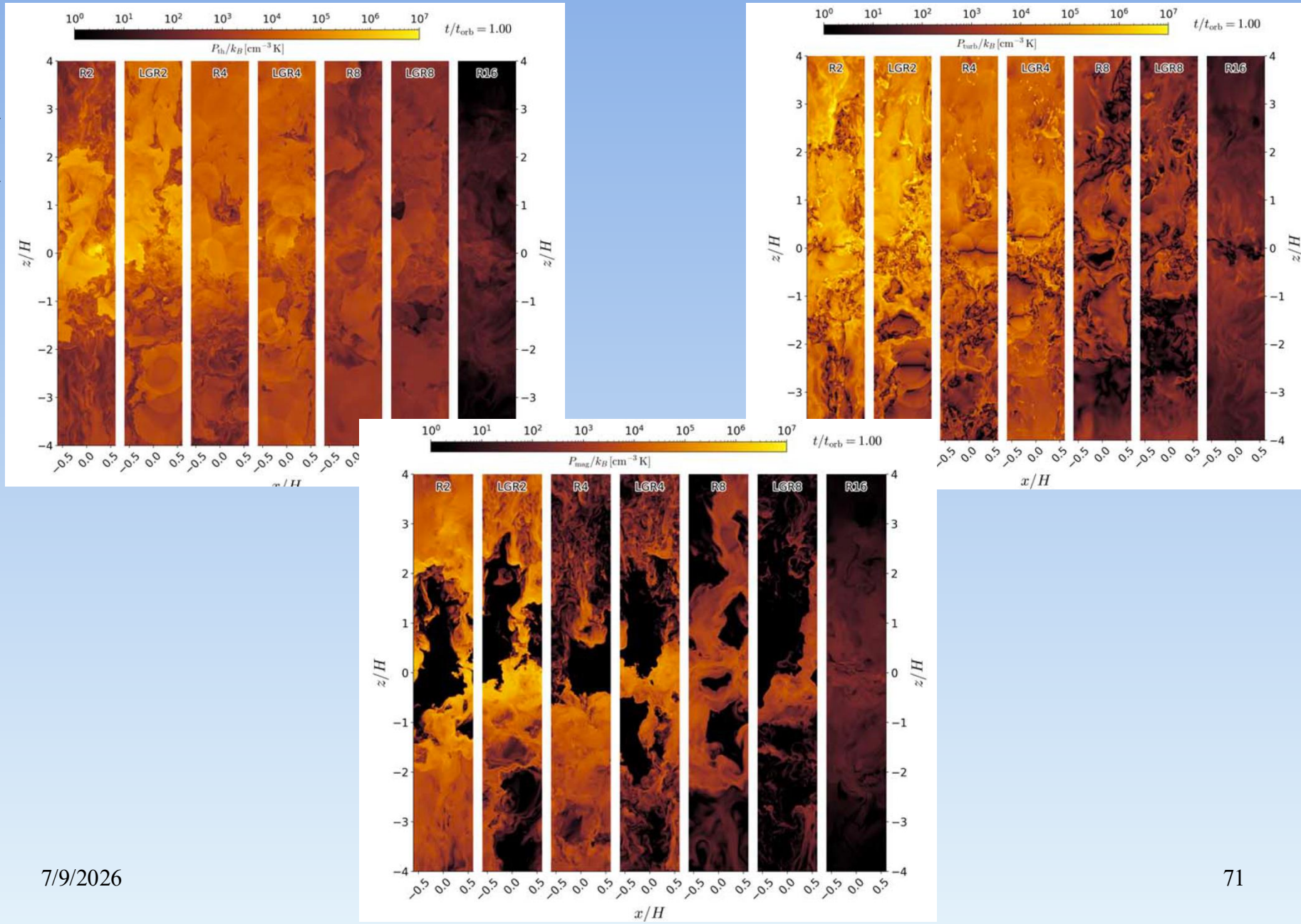
Linzer et al (2024)

$$J_{\text{FUV}} \equiv \mathcal{J} \Sigma_{\text{FUV}} / (4\pi); \quad \mathcal{J}_{\text{slab,ave}} = \frac{1}{\tau_{\perp}} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2\tau_{\perp}} + \frac{E_3(\tau_{\perp})}{\tau_{\perp}} \right]$$

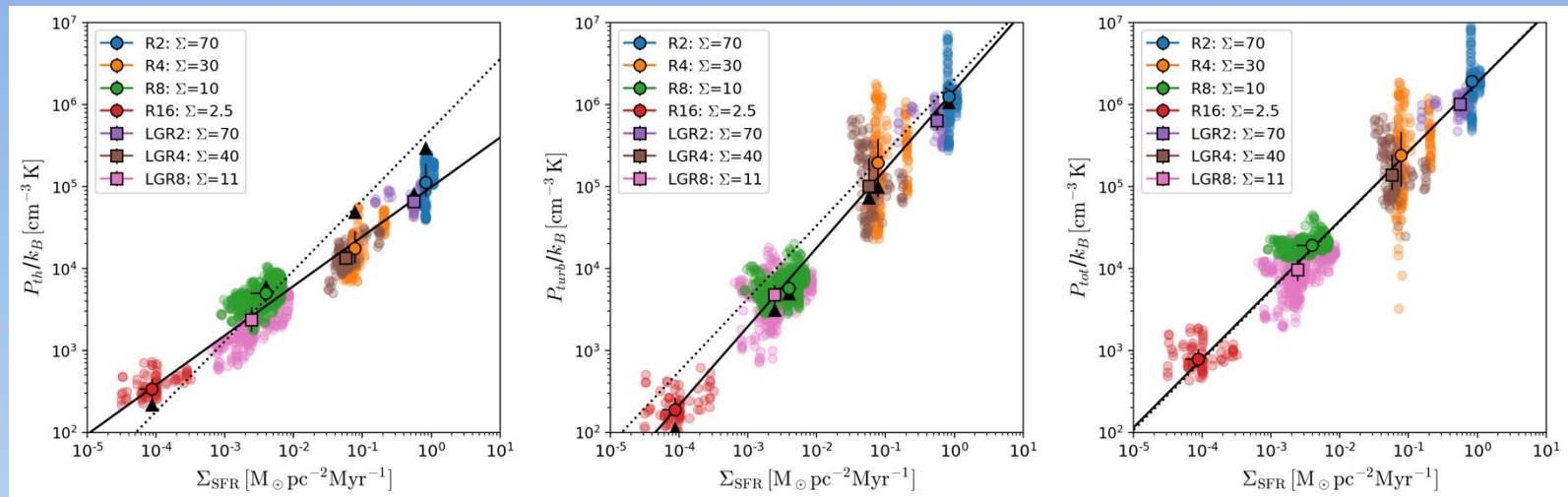
Radiation field in good agreement with analytic estimate

Pressure components in TIGRESS

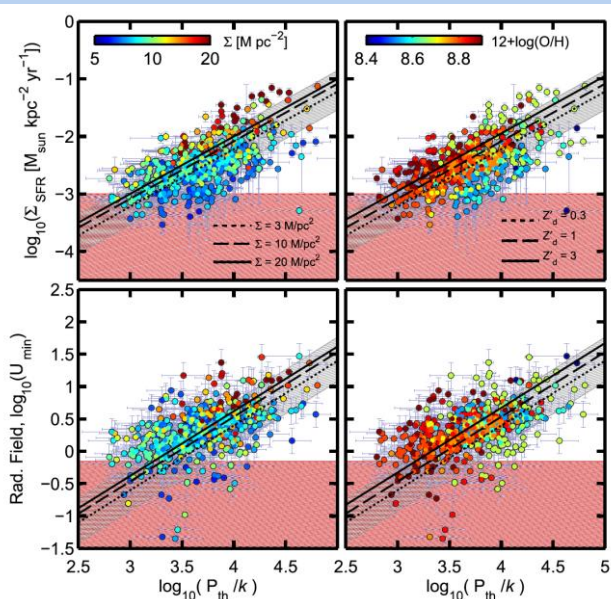
Ostriker & C.-G. Kim (2022)



P_{th} , P_{turb} , P_{tot} in simulations



Ostriker & Kim (2022), from TIGRESS “classic” simulation suite (C.-G. Kim et al 2020)



See also empirical P_{turb} vs. Σ_{SFR} from PHANGS-ALMA (Sun et al 2020)

Empirical P_{th} vs. Σ_{SFR} from Herschel/KINGFISH (Herrera-Camus et al 2017)

Vertical dynamical equilibrium

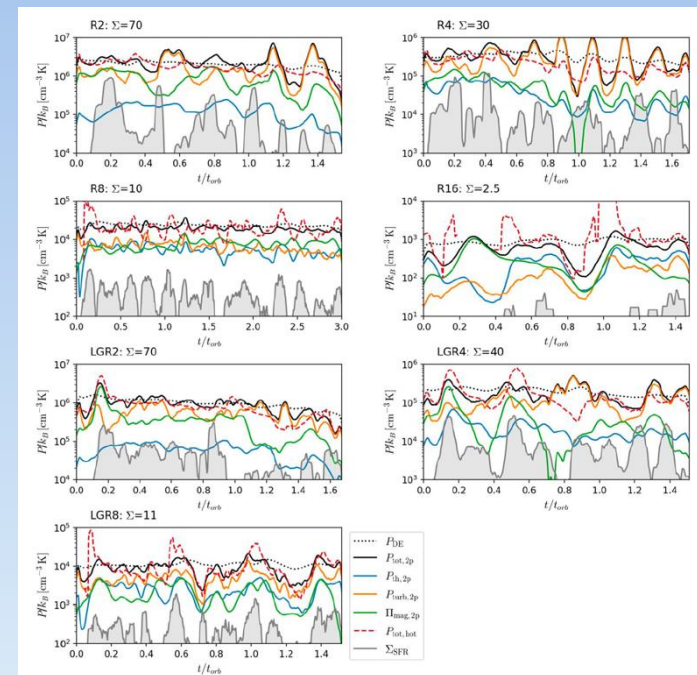
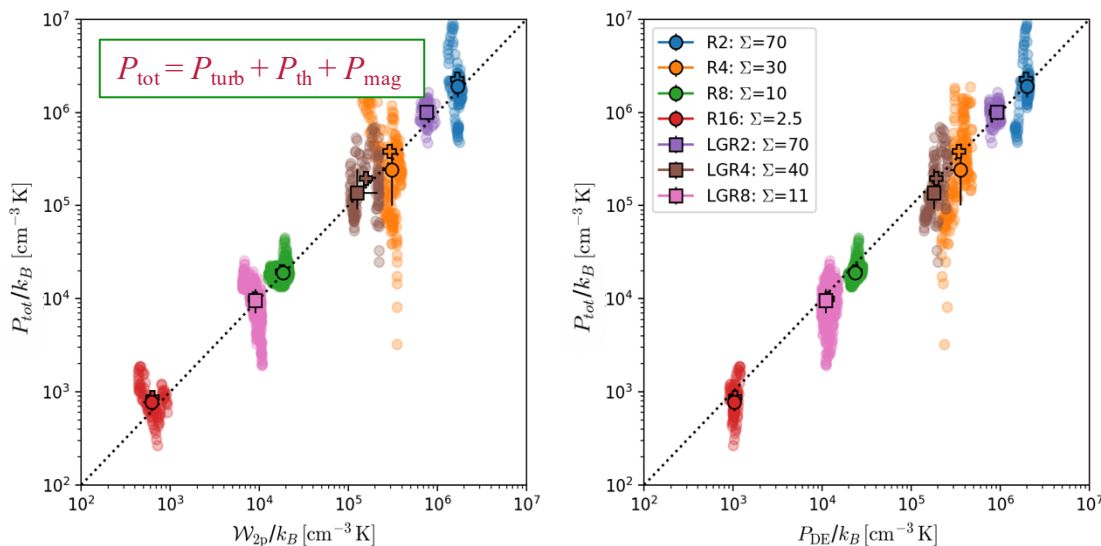
- Disk system:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W} &= \int_0^{z_{\max}} dz \rho g_z = \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \langle g_z \rangle / 2 \\ &\approx \pi G \Sigma_{\text{gas}}^2 / 2 + \pi G \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \Sigma_* H_g / (H_g + H_*) + (1/3) \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \Omega_{\text{dm}}^2 H_g \\ &\approx \pi G \Sigma_{\text{gas}}^2 / 2 + \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \sqrt{2G\rho_*} \sigma_{\text{eff},z} \equiv P_{\text{DE}} \end{aligned}$$

- To maintain vertical equilibrium, sum of turbulent, thermal, magnetic, cosmic ray, radiation terms must balance ISM weight:

$$\Delta P_{\text{turb}} + \Delta P_{\text{th}} + \Delta \Pi_{\text{mag}} + \Delta P_{\text{CR}} + \Delta P_{\text{rad}} = \mathcal{W}$$

- The most important terms are turbulent, thermal, and magnetic



Ostriker & C.-G. Kim (2022)

Dynamical equilibrium in TIGRESS simulations

Global equilibrium

- Since P_{DE} depends on large-scale galaxy properties (Σ_{gas} , Σ_* , Ω_{dm}) that are insensitive to SF, system must adjust P_{turb} , P_{th} , etc. to reach balance
- Achieved by varying Σ_{SFR} with $P_i = Y_i \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$

Global equilibrium demands a certain level of SF feedback

Requirement to maintain ISM equilibrium via feedback can be used to predict star formation rate!

Pressure-Regulated, Feedback-Modulated star formation

- Pressure responds to feedback:

$$P_{\text{tot}} = \Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$$

- Pressure balances ISM weight:

$$\mathcal{W} = \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \langle g_z / 2 \rangle \approx P_{\text{DE}}$$

- Equating, $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}} = \mathcal{W} / \Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \approx P_{\text{DE}} / \Upsilon_{\text{tot}}$

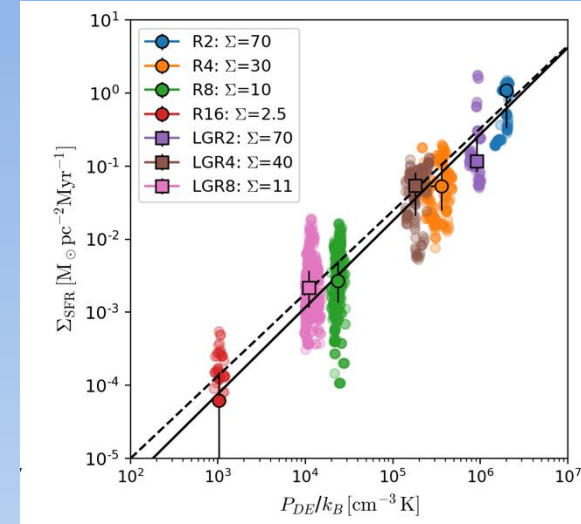
$$\Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \sim 1000 \text{ km/s } (P/k/10^4)^{-0.2} \text{ for } Z'=1$$

- Predicted *gas depletion time*:

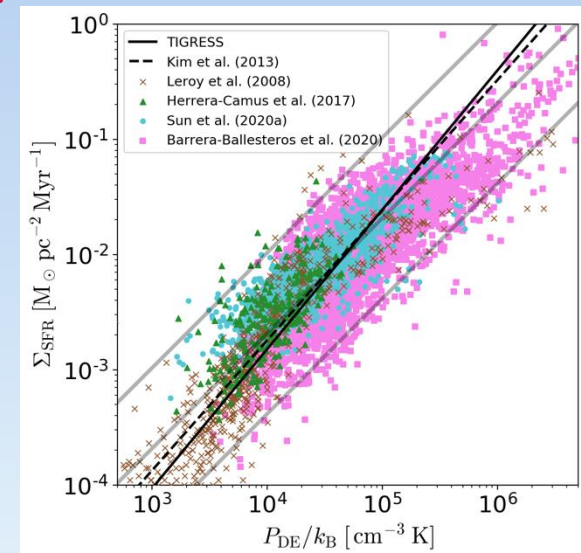
$$t_{\text{dep}} = \frac{m_g}{\dot{m}_*} = \frac{\Sigma_g}{\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}} = \Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \frac{\Sigma_g}{P_{\text{tot}}} = \Upsilon_{\text{tot}} \frac{2H_g \rho_g}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^2 \rho_g} = \frac{\Upsilon_{\text{tot}}}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}} t_{\text{dyn}}$$

$$= \frac{2\Upsilon_{\text{tot}}}{\langle g_z \rangle} \sim \begin{cases} \frac{2\Upsilon_{\text{tot}}}{\pi G(\Sigma_g + \Sigma_*)} & \text{for } H_g = H_* \\ \frac{2\Upsilon_{\text{tot}}}{\pi G \Sigma_g + \sqrt{2G\rho_*}\sigma_{\text{eff}}} & \text{for } H_g \ll H_* \end{cases}$$

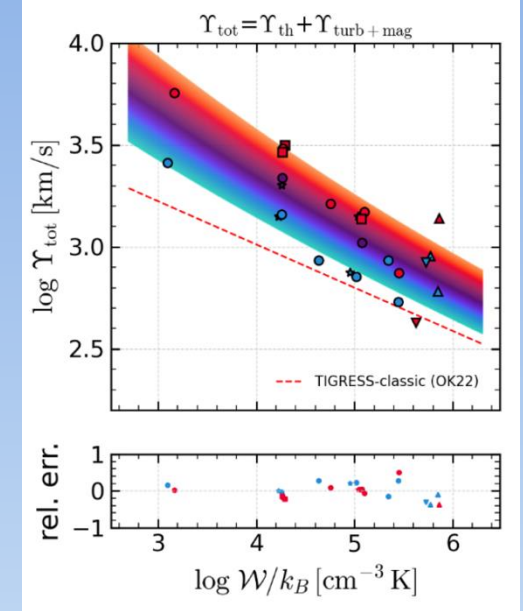
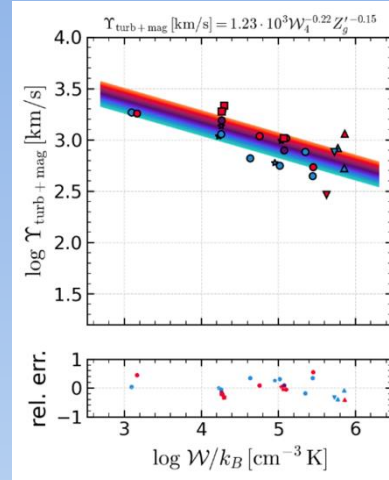
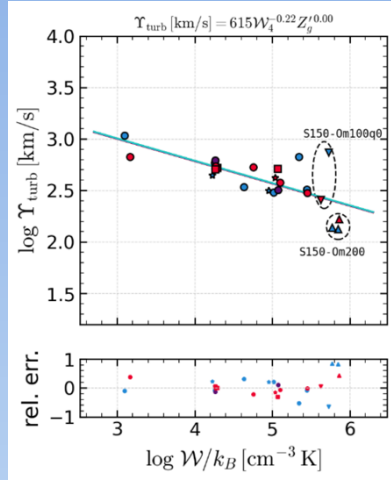
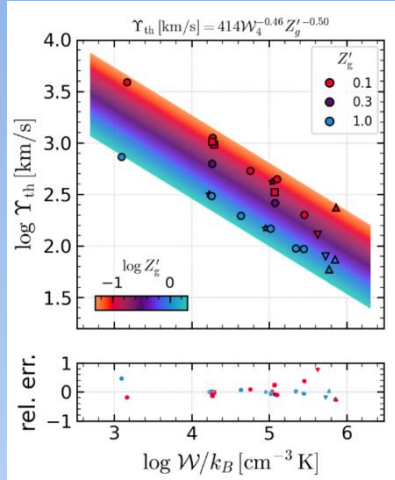
- With $\Upsilon_{\text{tot}} / \sigma_{\text{eff}} \sim 100$ for $Z'=1$, $t_{\text{dep}} \sim 100 t_{\text{dyn}}$
- t_{dep} increases for larger Υ_{tot} and decreases for larger g_z



Ostriker & Kim (2022): TIGRESS “Classic”



Z-dependent feedback yield $\Upsilon = P/\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$



C.-G. Kim et al (2024), from TIGRESS-NCR extended-Z' suite

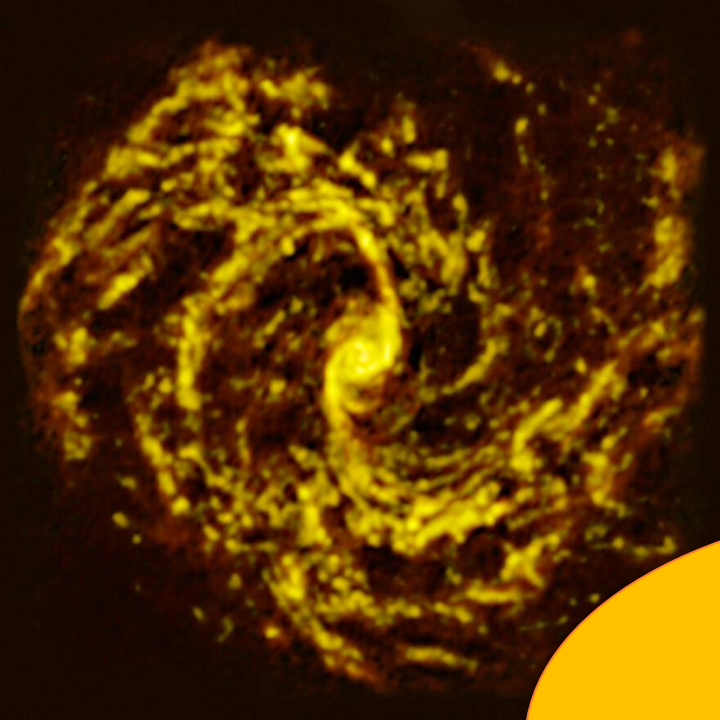
- Thermal yield increases at low Z (red) because radiation propagates further
- Turbulent yield varies less with Z because momentum injection from SNe is insensitive to Z
- Larger Υ_{tot} at low Z $\Rightarrow$ longer depletion time predicted compared to TIGRESS-classic:

$$t_{\text{dep}} = \frac{\Upsilon_{\text{tot}}}{\sigma_{\text{eff}}} t_{\text{dyn}} \sim \frac{2\Upsilon_{\text{tot}}}{\pi G(\Sigma_{\text{g}} + \Sigma_{*})}$$

Large-scale regulation: thermal & dynamical equilibrium via feedback

ISM conditions and SFR must be self-consistent

- For equilibrium, energy losses must be replenished:
 - Heating (from feedback) balances cooling
 - Turbulent driving (from feedback) balances dissipation
- For equilibrium, midplane pressure must balance vertical gravitational force
 - weight depends on gravity of gas, stars, dark matter
 - pressure terms $\propto$ energy density terms
- Combining energy, momentum balance equations yields Σ_{SFR} as function of Σ_{gas}, g^*
- *High efficiency of energy & momentum production by feedback allows low efficiency of gas consumption*



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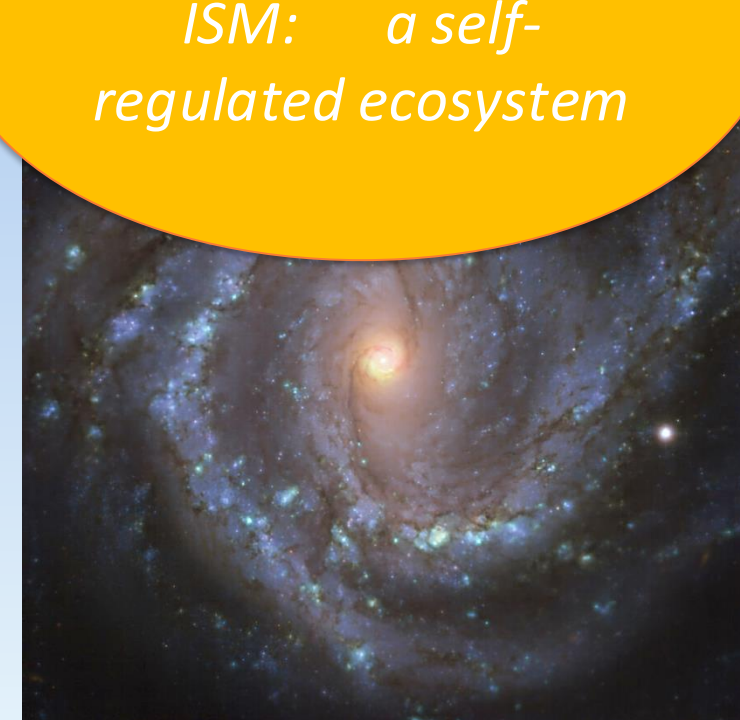
ISM response




*The star-forming
ISM: a self-
regulated ecosystem*

ALMA CO (molec. gas)

collapse & SF

MUSE gri + H α
(stars + ionized gas)

*Young star
feedback*



Credit:
MUSE(VLT-ESO)
ALMA(ESO/NAOJ/NRAO)
PHANGS

Large-scale regulation: thermal & dynamical equilibrium via feedback

- P_{th} , P_{turb} , P_{mag} are comparable; obtaining realistic values in numerical simulations depends on accurately modeling feedback processes
 - Heating rates depend on radiation field
 - Heating and cooling rates depend on species abundances, including trace ionization
 - Turbulence level depends on realistic space-time correlation of SN feedback energy inputs with gas structure
 - Magnetic energy depends on sheared rotation and turbulent driving
- Since $\text{SFR} \propto \text{feedback rate} \propto P \sim W$, realistic SFR depends on accurate modeling of feedback

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