

Stars at the extreme

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I am walking to know where I am going.
Goethe

*...We are doing research to know what we
are looking for.*

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and two PhD students

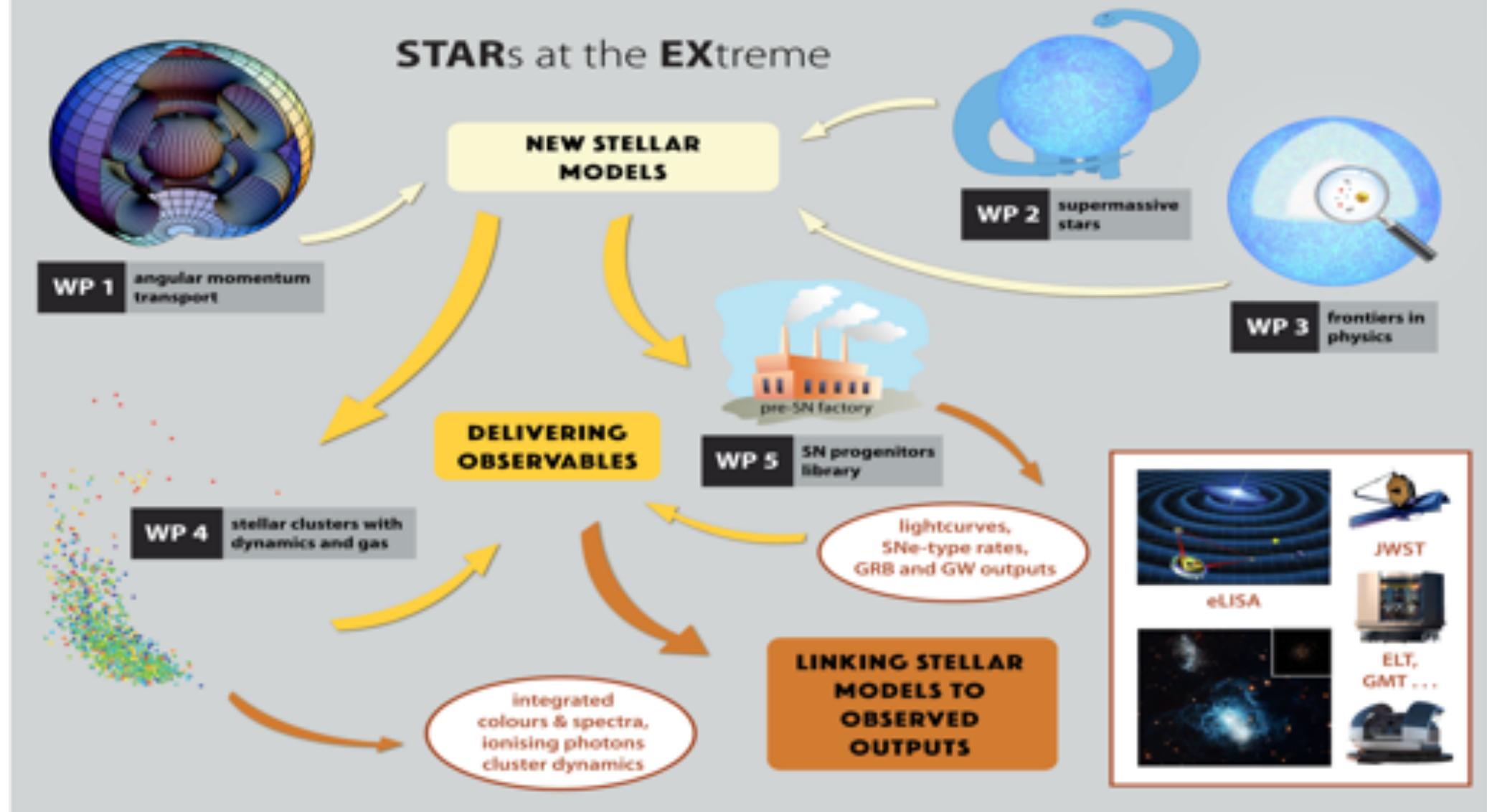
Presently ongoing
collaborations with

From normal stars to extreme stars...

THE PHYSICS THAT IS SUCCESSFUL FOR REPRODUCING OBSERVED FEATURES OF STARS
IN THE PRESENT-DAY UNIVERSE SHOULD BE OUR FIRST CHOICE FOR MODELING
THE EVOLUTION OF THE FIRST GENERATIONS OF STARS



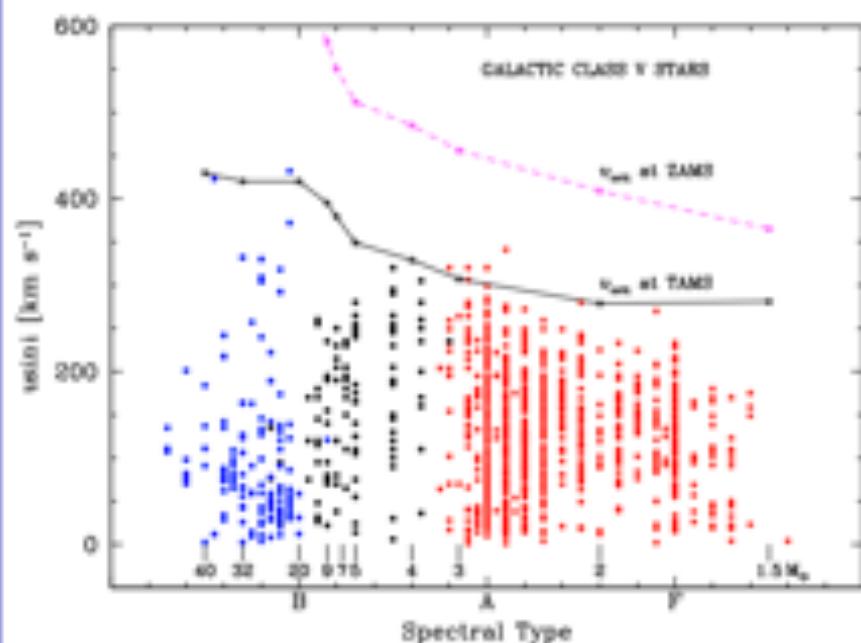
STARS at the EXtreme





WP 3
angular momentum transport

THE CONTEXT

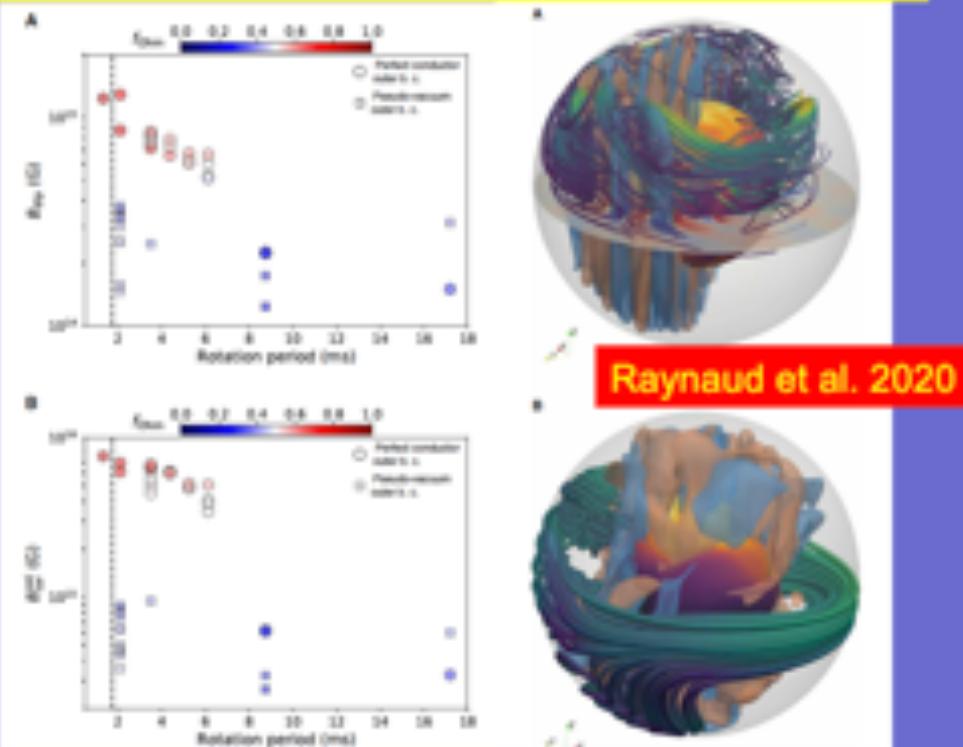


Howarth et al. 97, Dufton et al. 2006,
Hunter et al. 2009, Zorec and Royer 2012

Stars have angular momentum

Importance of being able to trace its evolution

First three-dimensional simulations of a convective dynamo based on a protoneutron star interior model



Raynaud et al. 2020

Protomagnetar models of gamma-ray burst and superluminous supernova central engines



WF 1 angular momentum transport

THE CHALLENGES

Single and close binary stars

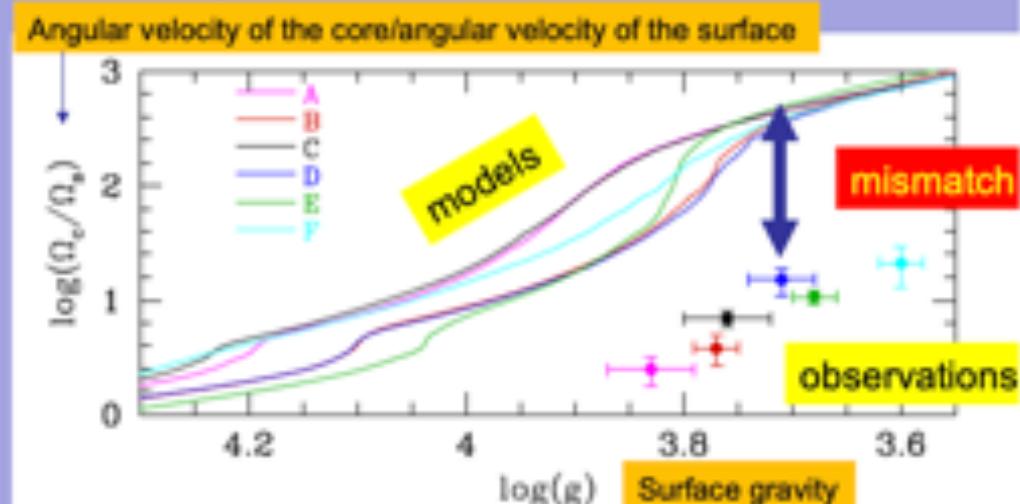
- INTERNAL ANGULAR MOMENTUM TRANSPORT (internal magnetic field)
- MASS LOSSES BY LINE DRIVEN WINDS (surface magnetic field)
- MECHANICAL MASS LOSSES

Close binary stars

- TIDAL INTERACTIONS
- MASS TRANSFER IN CLOSE BINARIES
- COMMON ENVELOPE PHASE
- MERGING

Many interacting processes

The missing angular momentum transport



Shellular models: Eggenberger et al. 2019b

→ Masses : $1.15\text{--}1.4 M_{\odot}$

→ $V_{\text{rot}}(\text{ZAMS})$: $4\text{--}8 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

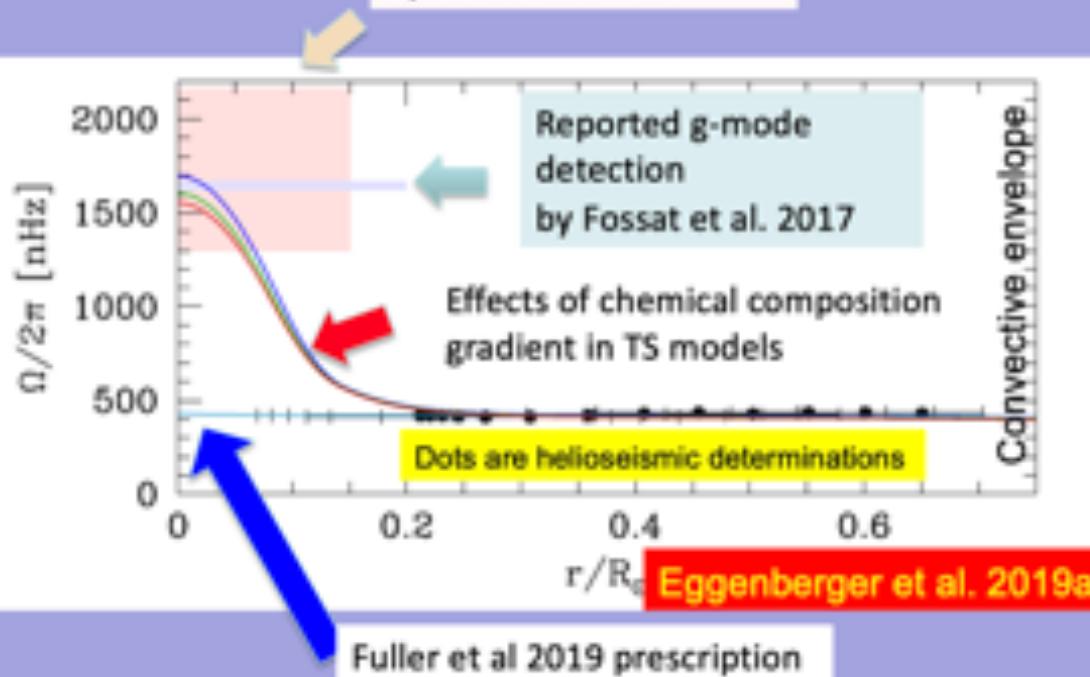
Observations: Deheuvels et al 2014



WP 1: interior convection transport

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE SO FAR

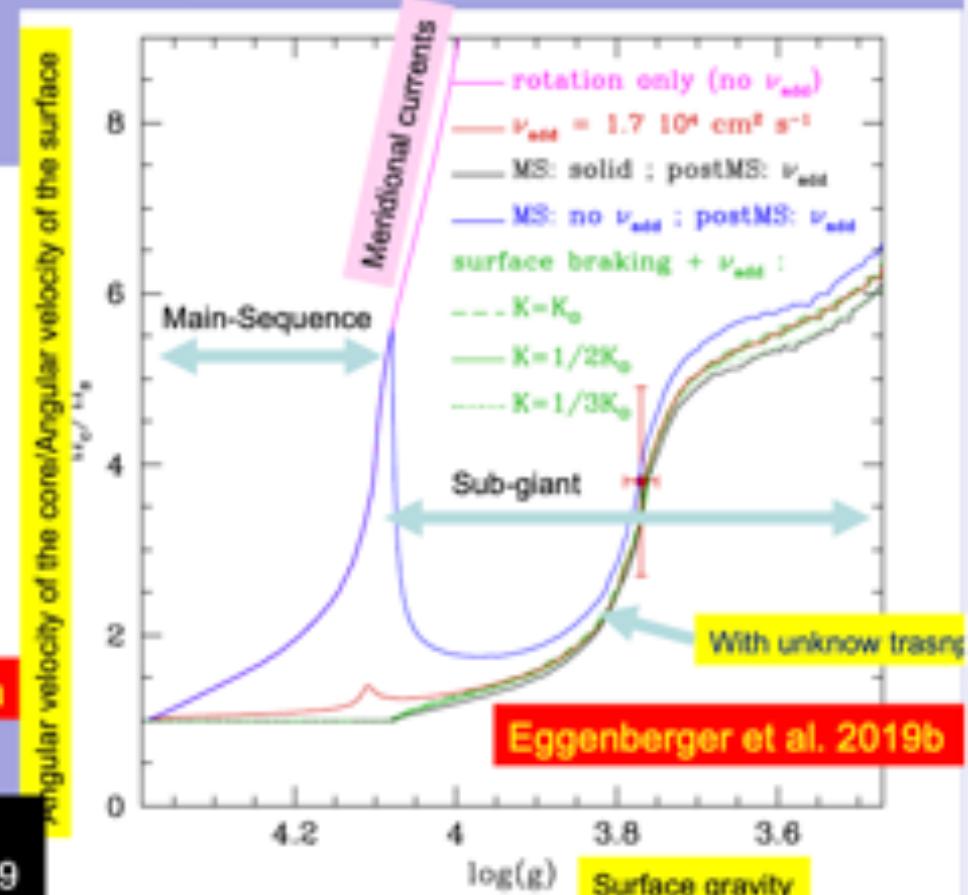
Reported g-mode detection
By Garcia et al. 2007



Physics of the instability
Zahn 1992; Maeder & Zahn 1998; Spruit 2002; Fuller et al. 2019

Impact of different prescriptions

Properties of the missing transport

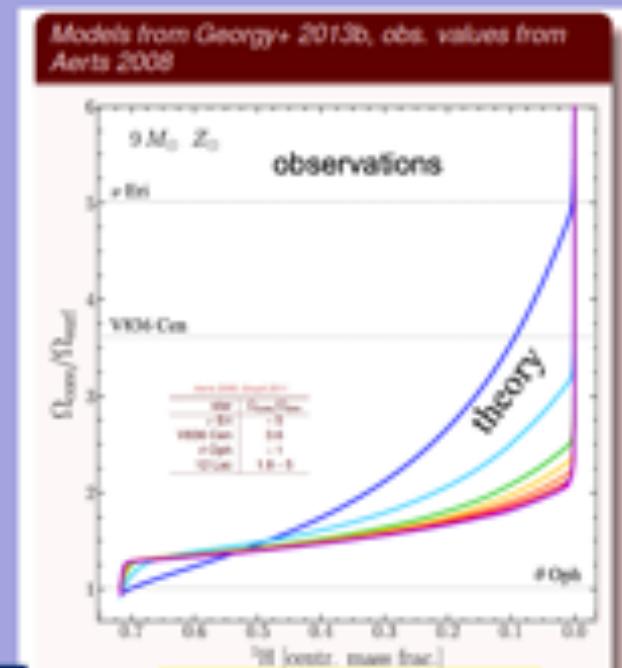
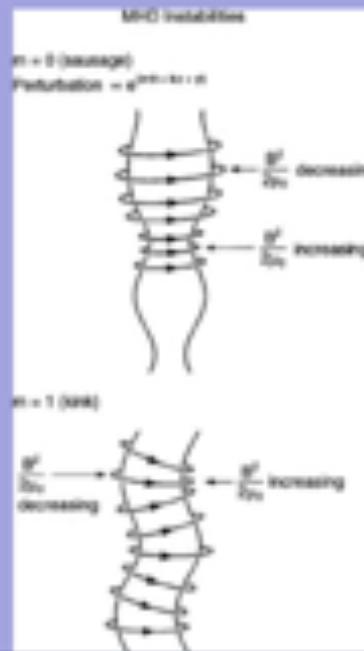
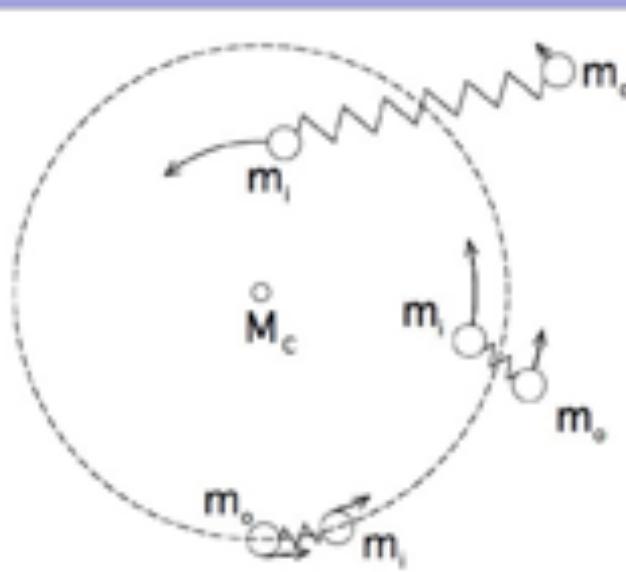




WHAT WE PLAN TO DO

Analytical expressions for new processes to be tested with asteroseismic constraints

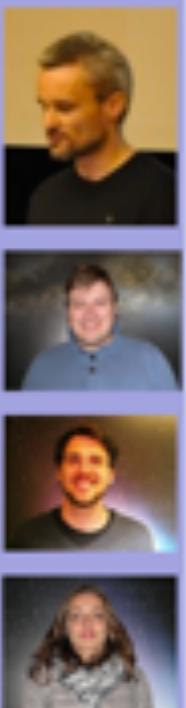
Interactions between hydrodynamical and magneto-hydrodynamical processes



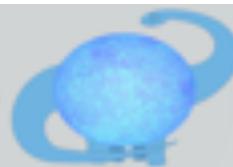
In non stratified regions:
Magneto-Rotational-instabilities
<https://mri.pppl.gov/physics.html>

In stratified regions Taylor-instability

Evolution during the MS →



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THE CONTEXT

Origin of supermassive black holes at high redshift

Formation and physics of supermassive stars

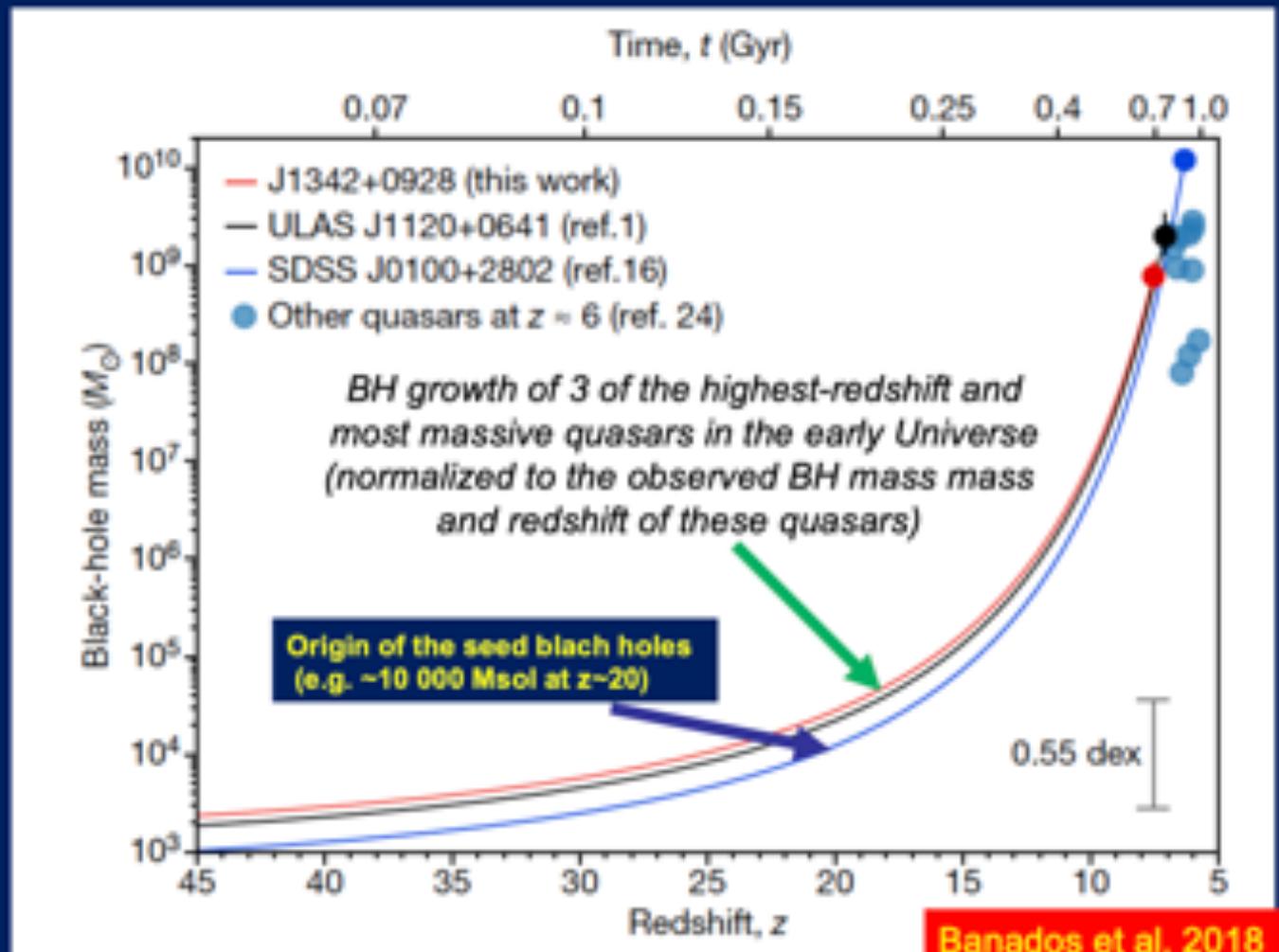
Most distant quasar

J1342-0928

Z=7.54 (Age Uni. 690My)

L=4 10^{13} L_{sol}

M=0.8 GM_{sol}

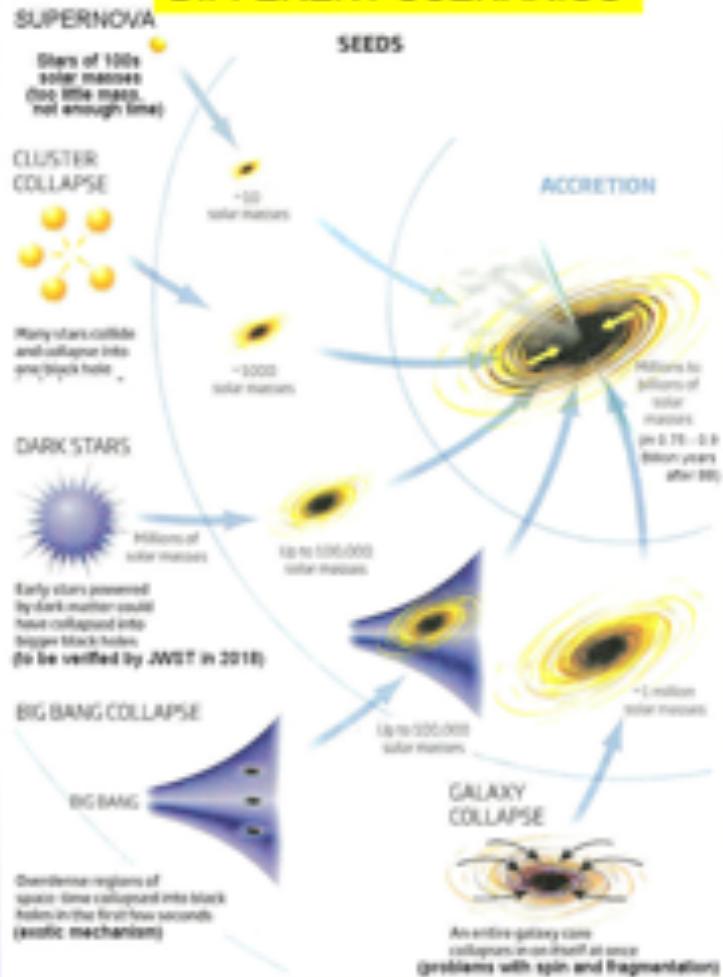




THE CHALLENGES

WP 2 Supermassive stars

DIFFERENT SCENARIOS

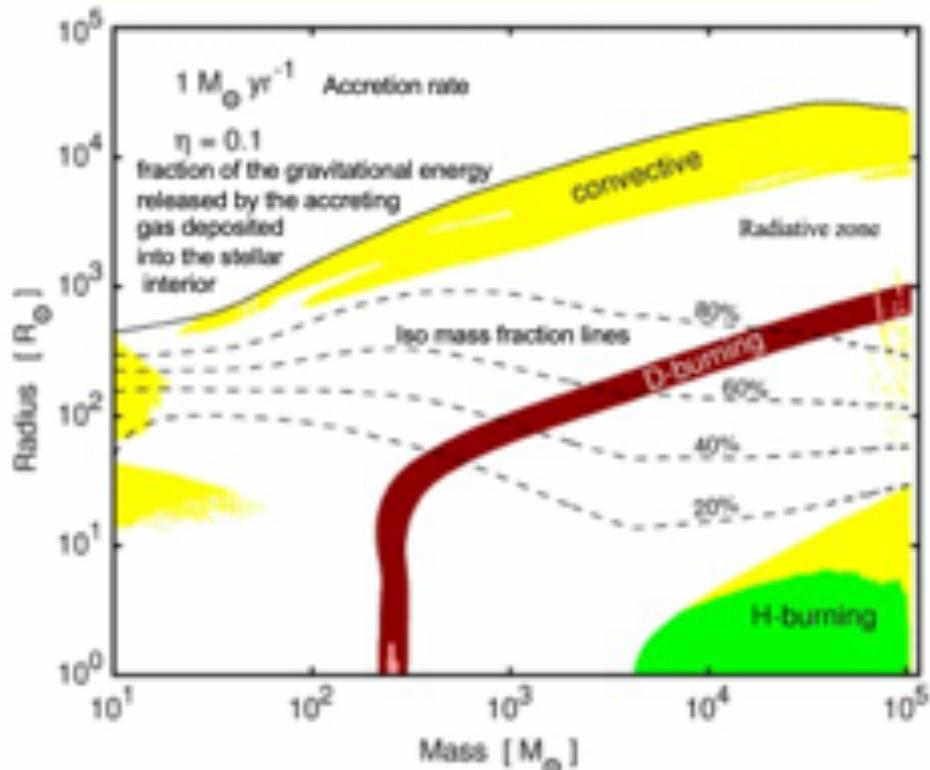


<http://universe-review.ca/l05-14-superbh.jpg>

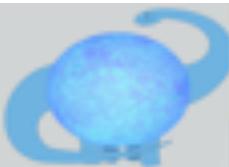
Different scenarios with a complex physics

Which are those preferred by Nature?

FORMATION OF SUPERMASSIVE STARS



Hosokawa et al. 2013



WHAT HAS BEEN DONE

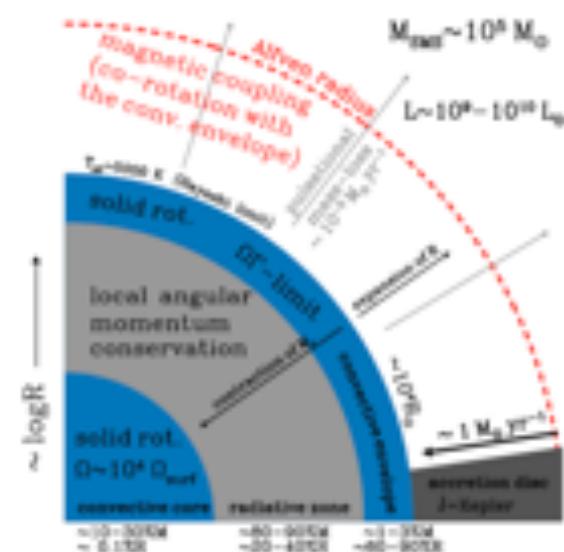
WP 2 Supermassive stars

Models for rotating supermassive stars

Models with very high accretion rates

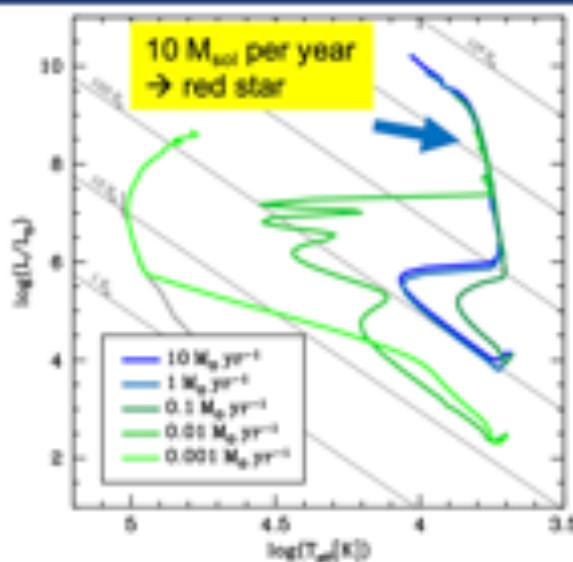
The tool: GENEC stellar evolution code with accretion and rotation and the GR instability criterion

Structure of an accreting SMS



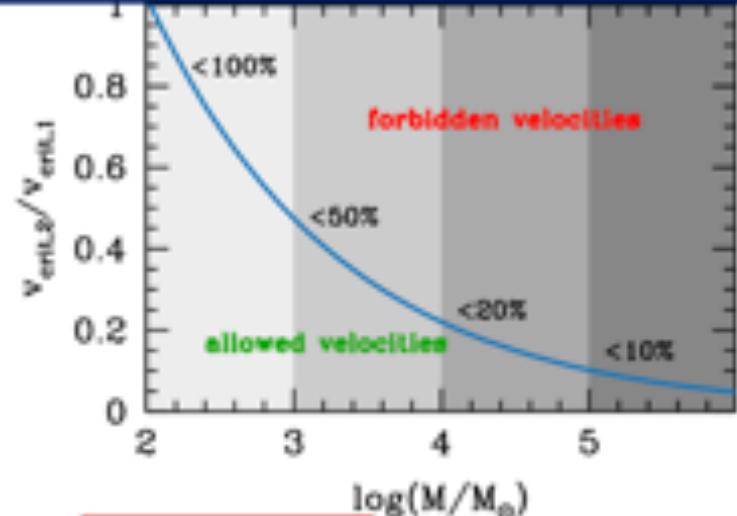
Haemmerlé & Meynet 2019

Evolution in the HR diagram



Haemmerlé et al. 2017

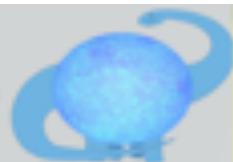
Rotation



Haemmerlé et al. 2018

Other Models for supermassive stars

[Hosokawa et al. 2013; Sakurai et al. 2015, 2016; Umeda et al. 2016; Woods et al. 2017; Haemmerlé et al. 2018; Haemmerlé & Meynet 2019] Gieles et al.; 2018; Martins et al. 2020



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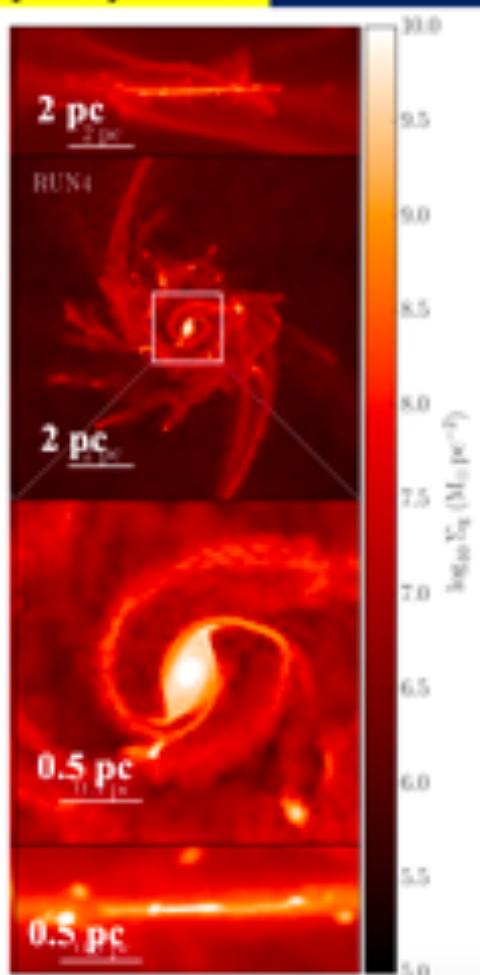
WHAT WE PLAN TO DO

→ Need of hydrodynamics

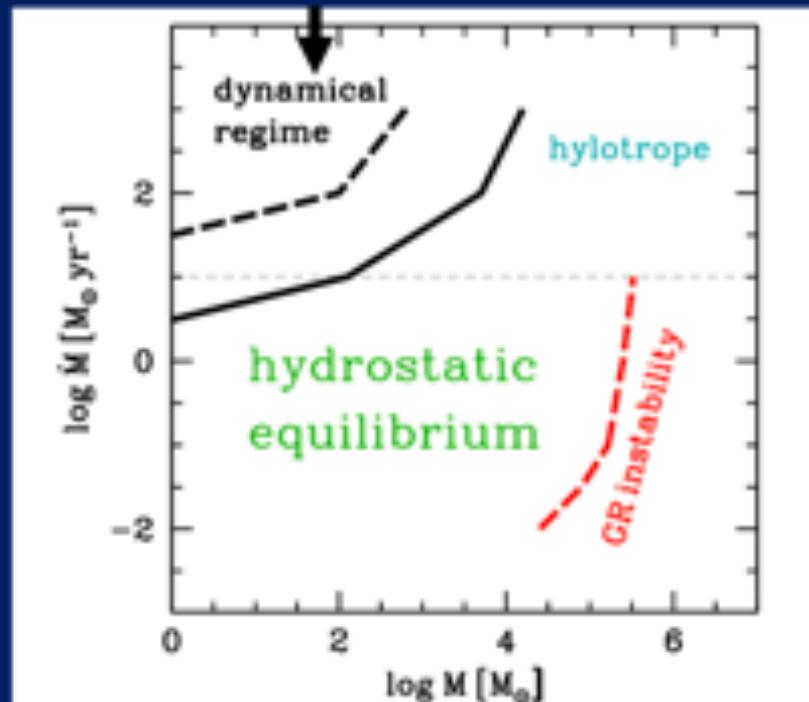
Face-on/edge-on projected gas density map of the nuclear region of a merger of central cores 5000 years after the merging

A compact disk- inner core is formed

Mayer & Bonoli 2019



Accretion timescale shorter than the sound wave crossing time



Haemmerlé et al. 2020

ISMS formation in merging galaxies

Impact of rotation at the collapse to the BH

Core Team on WP 2



WP 3
Frontiers in
physics

THE CONTEXT

Dimensionless number
can be constructed from
fundamental physical
constants

All large numbers of the
order of $10^{39} \dots 10^{78}$,
are apart from simple
numerical coefficients,
just equal to t, t^2, \dots
where t is the present
epoch expressed
in atomic units $e^2/(m_e c^3)$

Dirac 1937



Do physical constants have varied during the cosmic history?

Does dark matter exist?

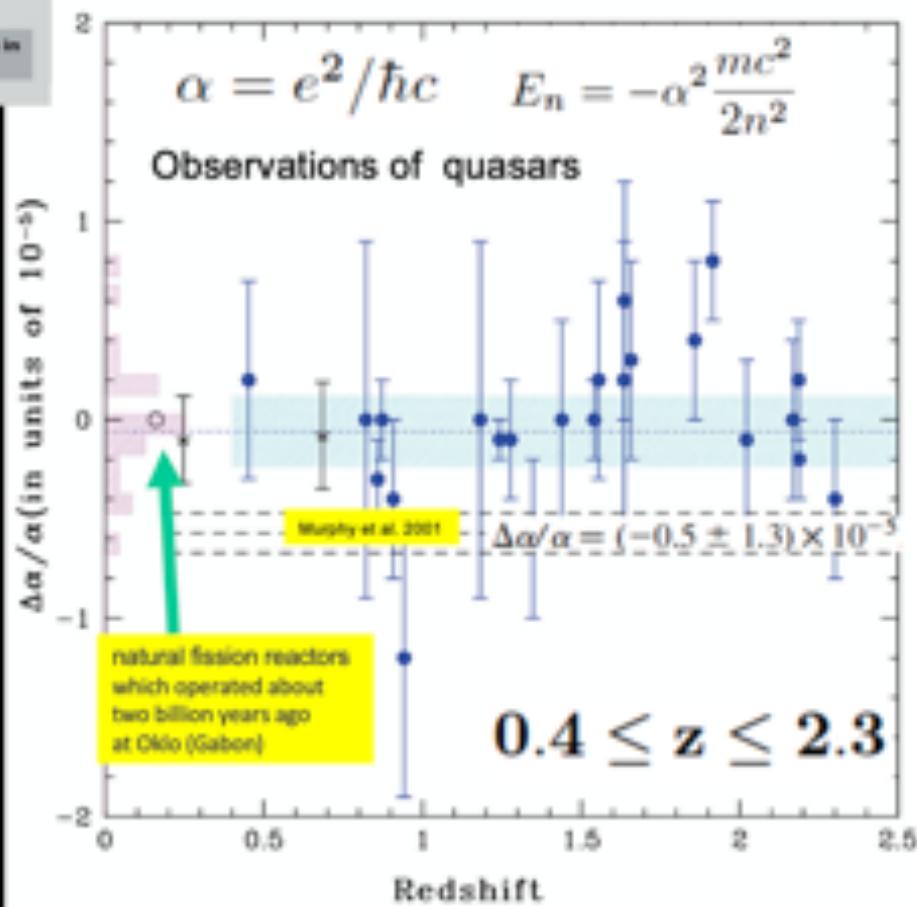


<https://physics.aps.org/articles/v11/48>



WP 3 frontiers in physics

THE CHALLENGES

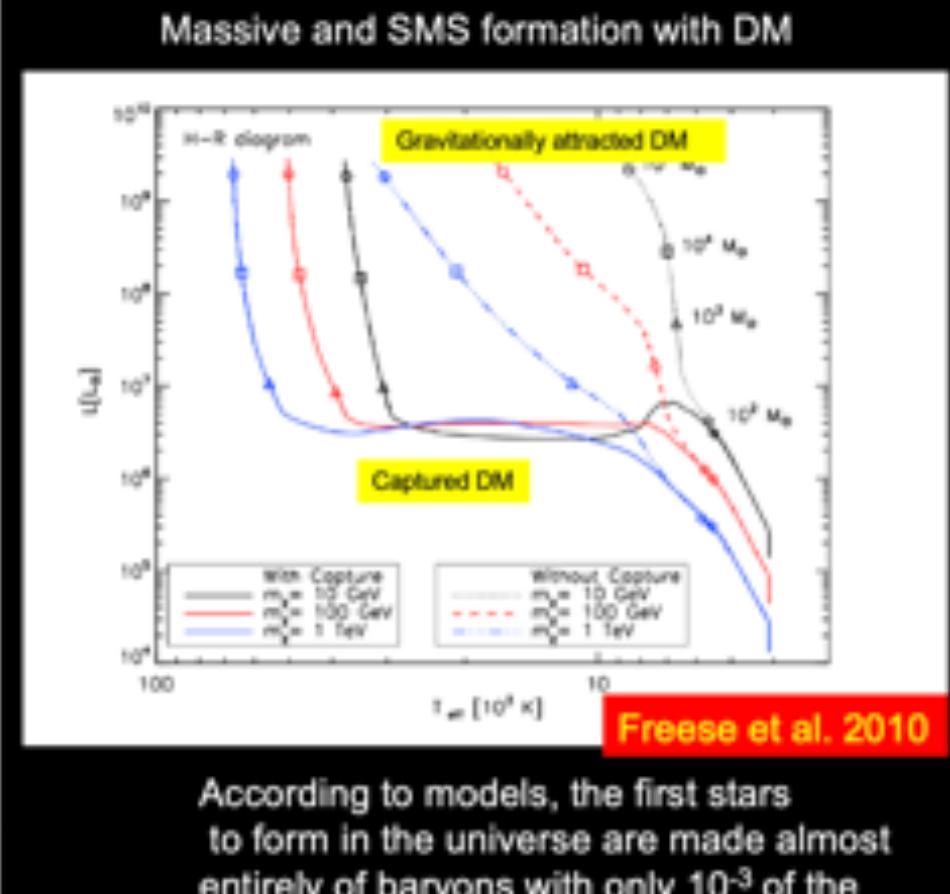


Srianand et al. 2004

$$\Delta\alpha/\alpha = (-0.06 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-5}$$

Observational challenge

Indirect probes

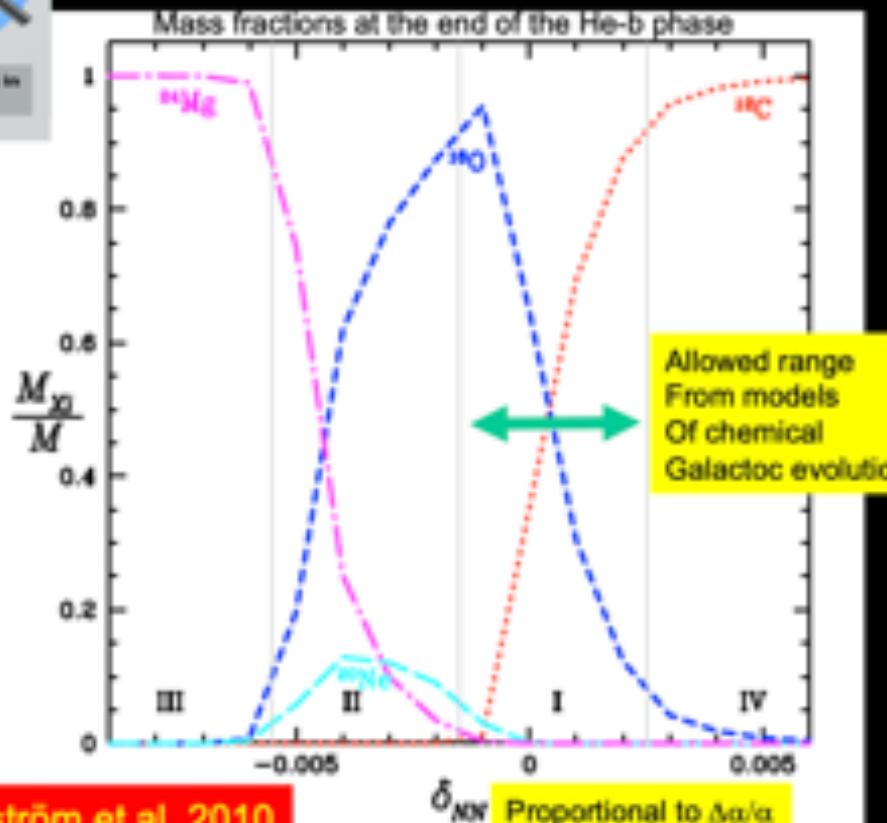


WHAT HAS BEEN DONE



WP 3
Frontiers in physics

$15 M_{\odot}$
Pop III
 $Z \sim 15-20$



Ekström et al. 2010

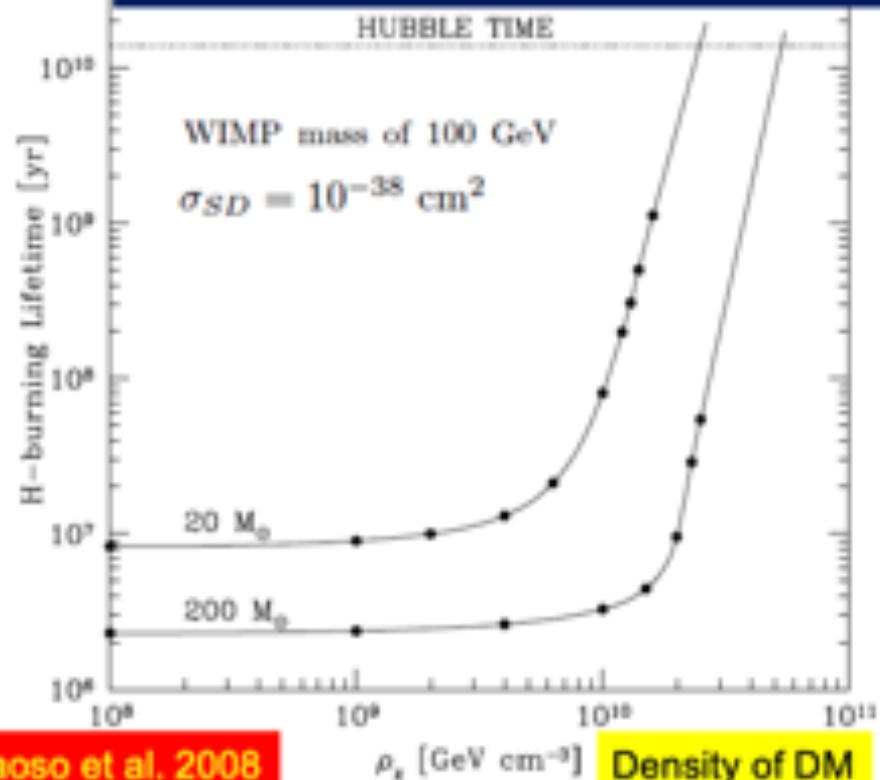
$$-3.5 \times 10^{-5} < \frac{\Delta\alpha_{\text{em}}}{\alpha_{\text{em}}} < +1.8 \times 10^{-5}.$$



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ULB, Belgium

Impact of fine structure constant variation on
the 3 alpha reaction rate and pop III star
nucleosynthesis

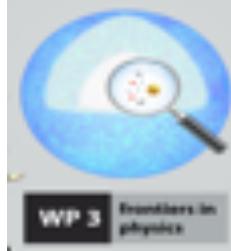
WIMPS annihilation in Pop III stars



Taoso et al. 2008



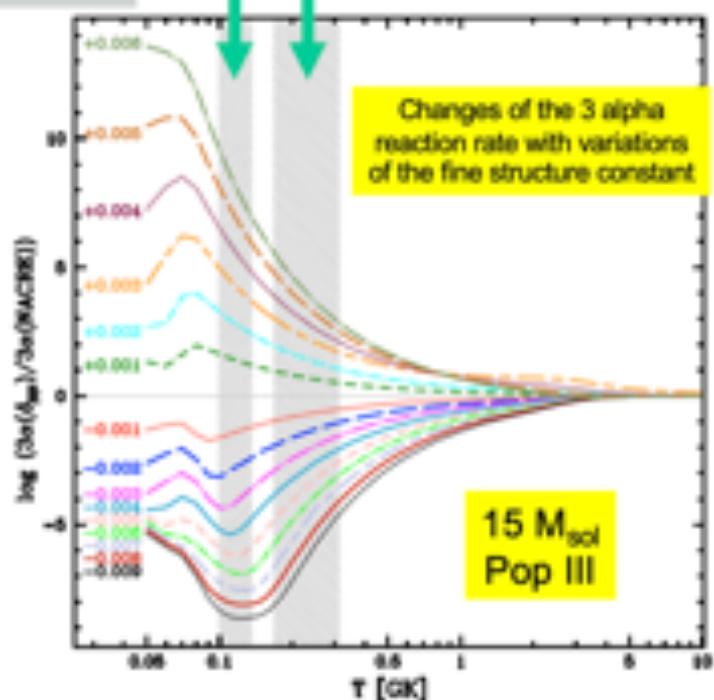
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Frontiers in physics

Central temperatures in
core H - He -burning

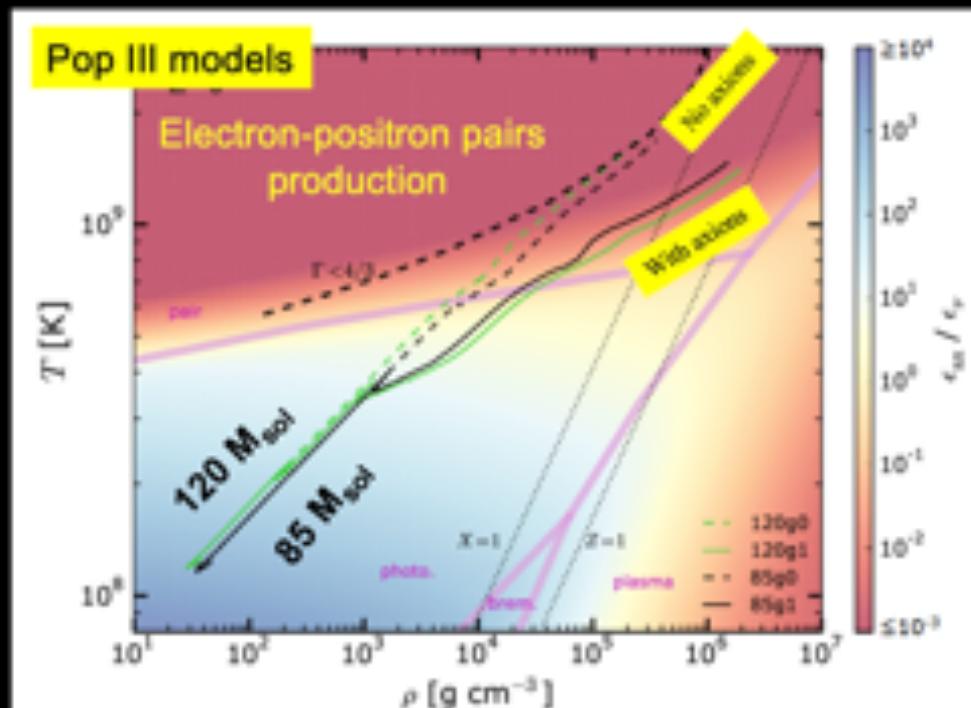


Ekström et al. 2010

Impact of fine structure constant variation on
the $^{12}\text{C}(\text{alpha},\text{gamma})^{16}\text{O}$ reaction rate

New DM particles in supermassive stars

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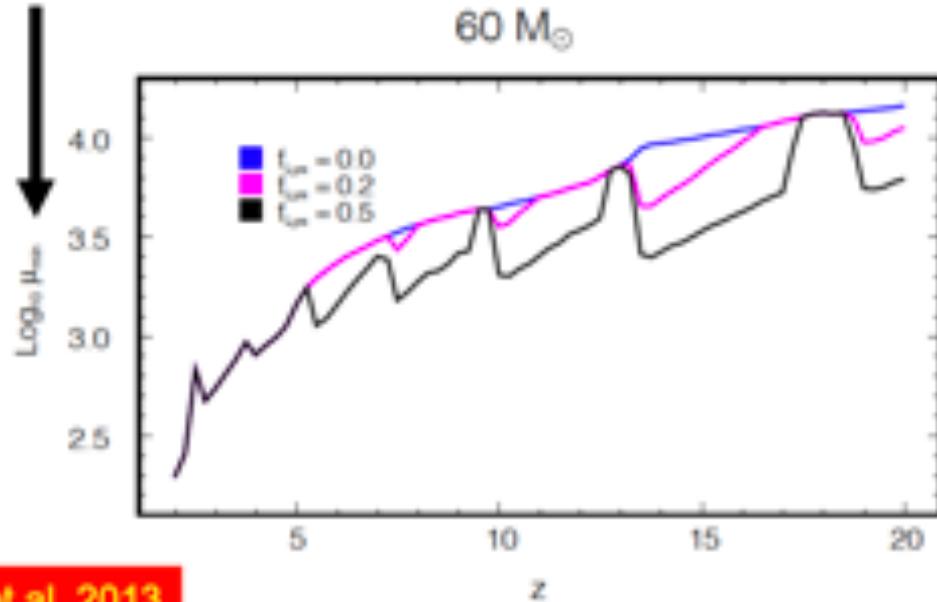
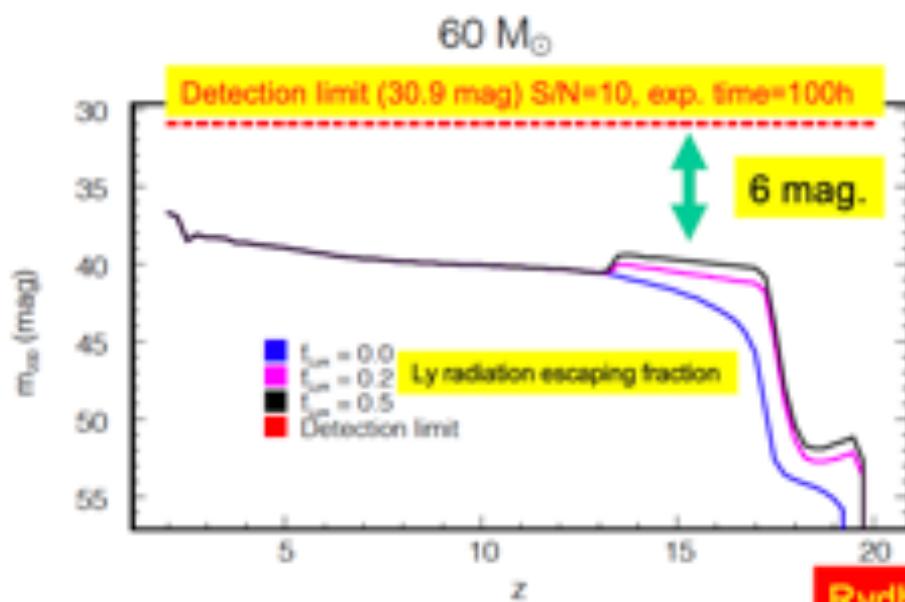
Choplin et al. 2017

THE CONTEXT

No individual Pop III massive star detectable

Even if lensed, lensing factor too high needed

Minimum gravitational magnification required



Rydberg et al. 2013

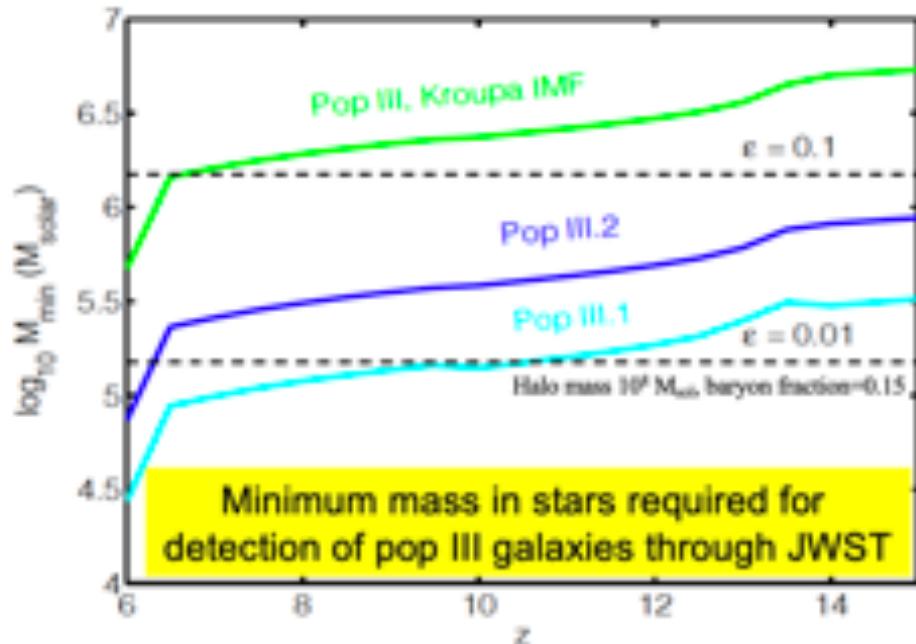
NIRCam/F200W AB magnitude

For each redshift, the filter resulting in the lowest necessary magnification is selected in the calculation of μ_{min} .

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Direct detection only possible for a population of stars

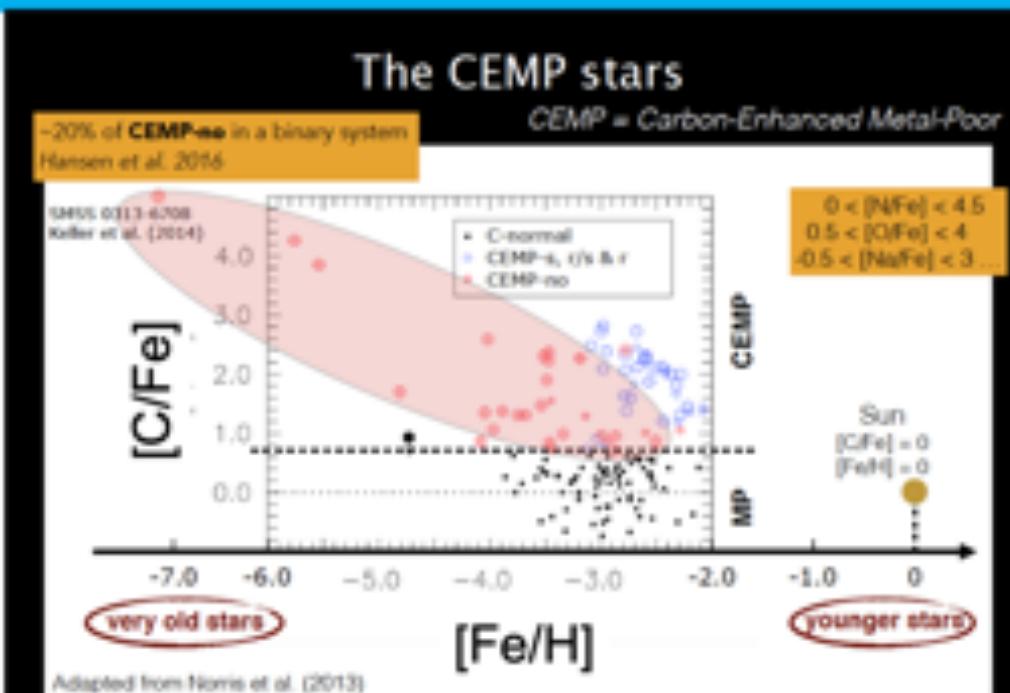
Indirect hints on the nature of first stars



Zackrisson 2012

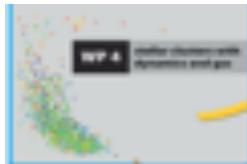
100 h JWST exposures per filter, 10sigma detection in at least one JWST filter, 1 Myr old galaxies and no leakage of ionizing radiation into the intergalactic medium.

Cyan extremely top heavy IMF/Blue moderately top IMF/Green, normal IMF

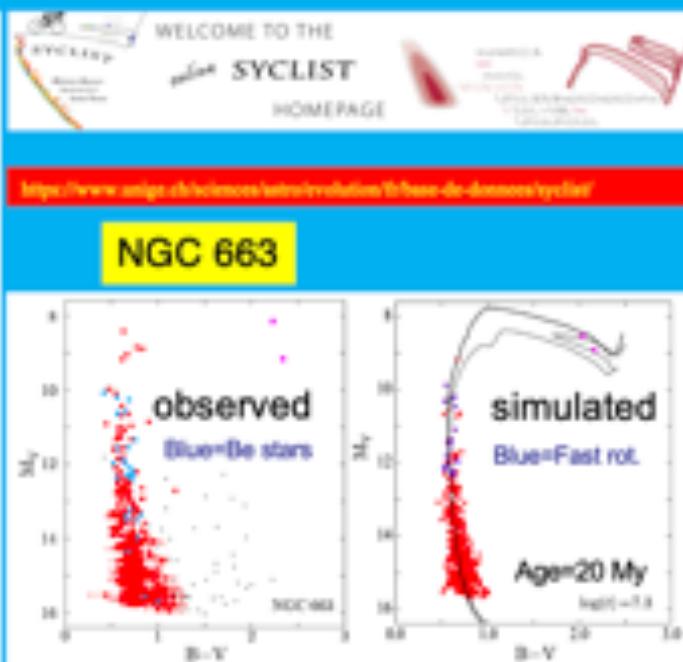
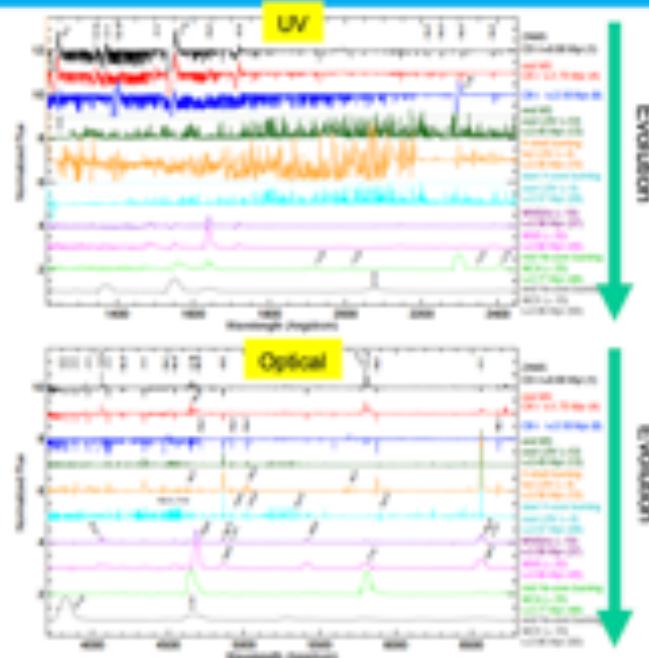


Norris et al. 2013, viewgraph from Arthur Chopping

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE



Non-rotating 60 M_{\odot}

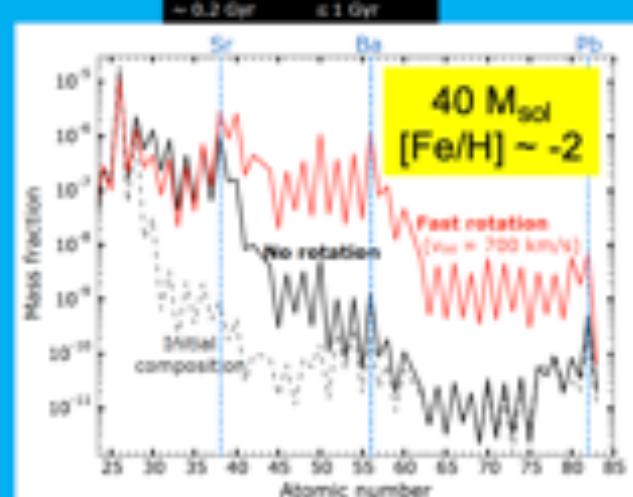
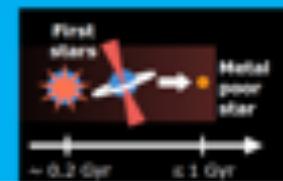


Groh et al. 2014

Spectral evolution

Population synthesis of rotating stars

Impact of rotation on nucleosynthesis



Georgy et al. 2014

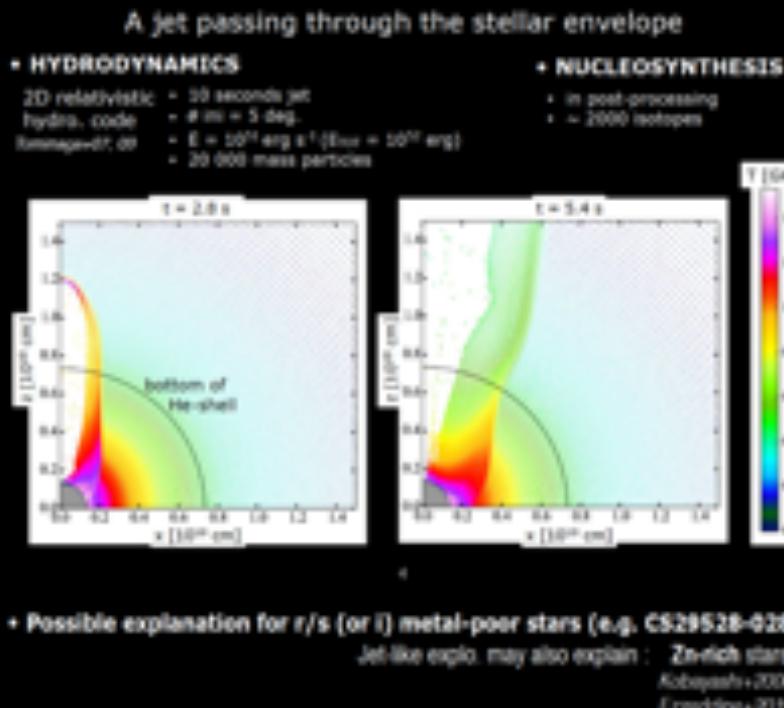
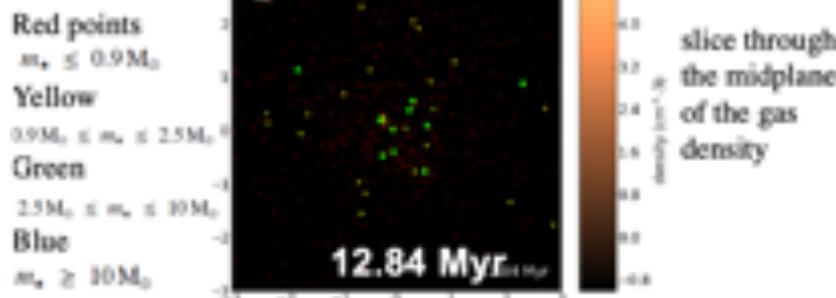
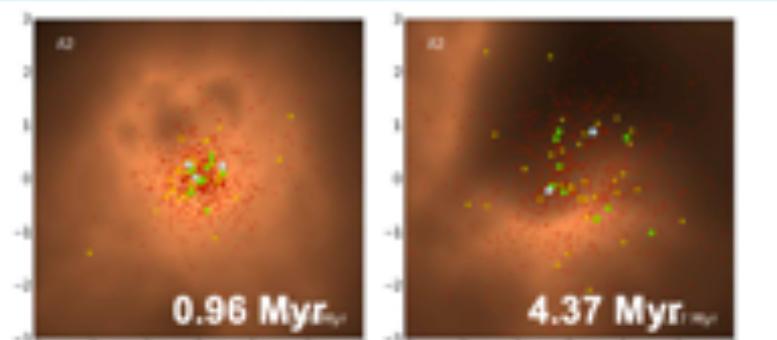
Choplin et al. 2016, 2017ab, 2018

First interior+atmosphere models, spectroscopic diagnostic of Pop III stars → Schaefer 1995, 2002, 2003

WHAT WE PLAN TO DO

Connection to AMUSE

Explosive nucleosynthesis



Pelupessy and Portegies Zwart 2012

Astrophysical Multi-purpose Software Environment

Choplin et al. In preparation, slide from Choplin

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THE CONTEXT

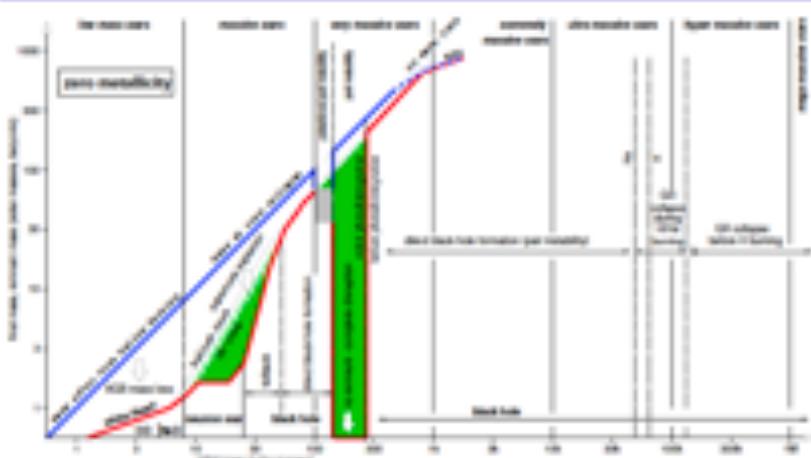
Transient objects, nature and properties of remnants

Detectability of transients

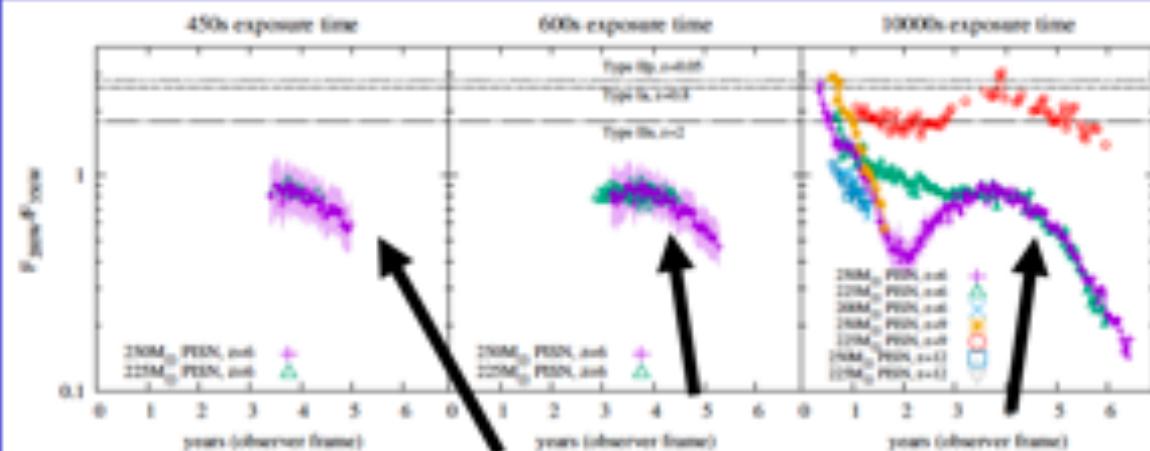
$8-130 M_{\odot}$ → possible SN explosion



Most promising 2-filter diagnostic for different exposure times.



Woods, Heger & Haemmerlé 2020



Hartwig et al. 2018

Detection with S/N >10 in both filters

Purple shaded purple area illustrates the observational uncertainty of < 0.14 mag (only for the $250 M_{\odot}$ PISN at $z = 6$).

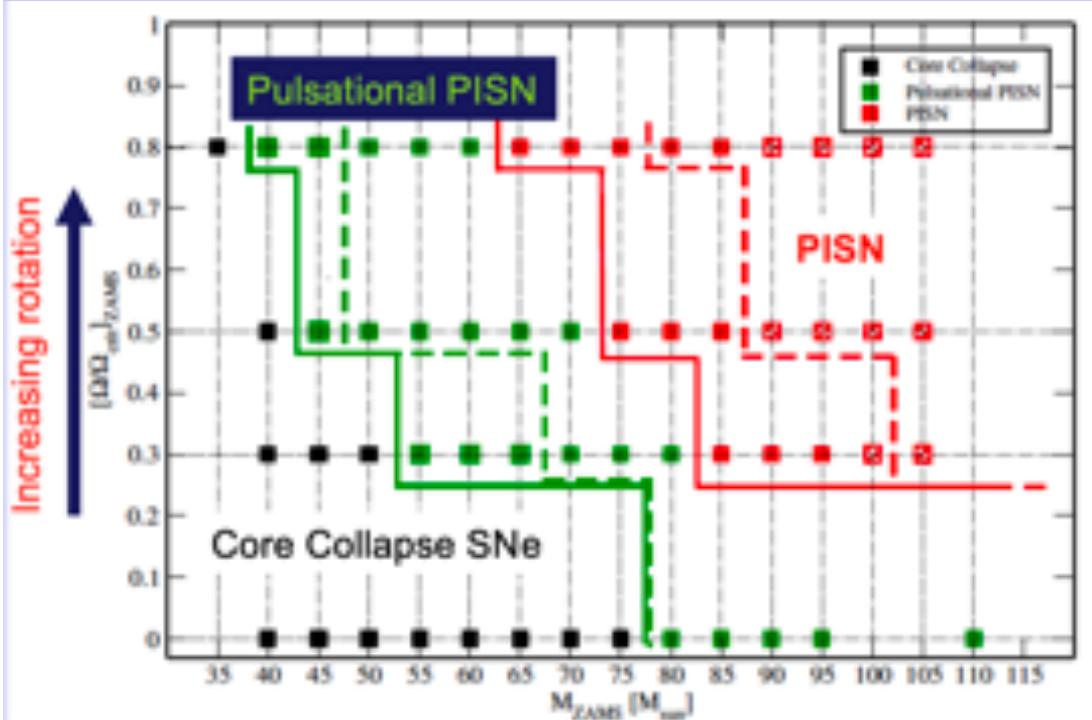
Exposure times of < 1 ks are sufficient to detect the brightest PISNe at $z = 6$,
For $t_{\text{exp}} > 10$ ks, PISNe at $z > 12$ are detectable.

THE CHALLENGES



WP 5 SN progenitors library

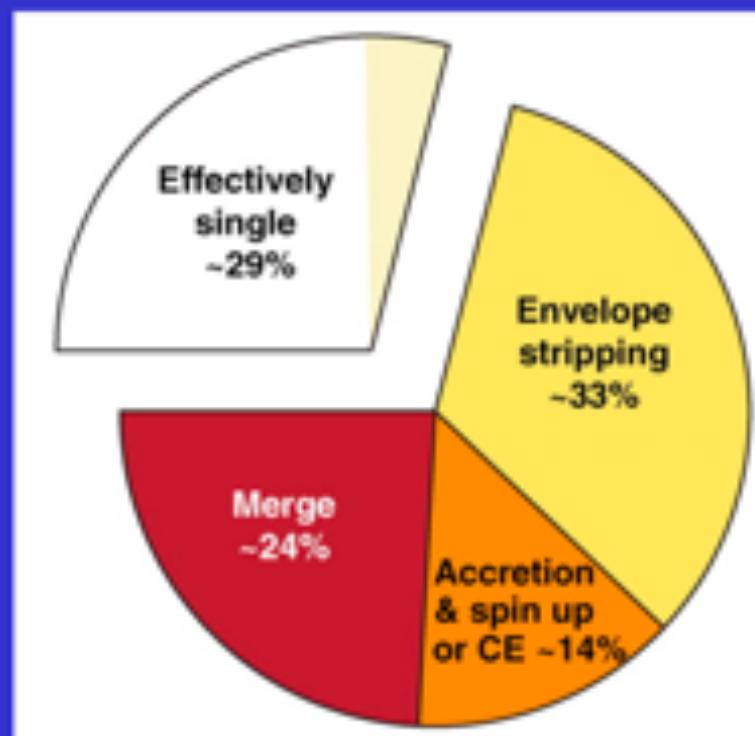
Z=0 models, continuous → no mass loss
dashed → with mass loss



Chatzopoulos & Wheeler 2012

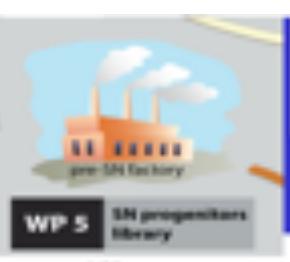
Impact of rotation

Impact of multiplicity

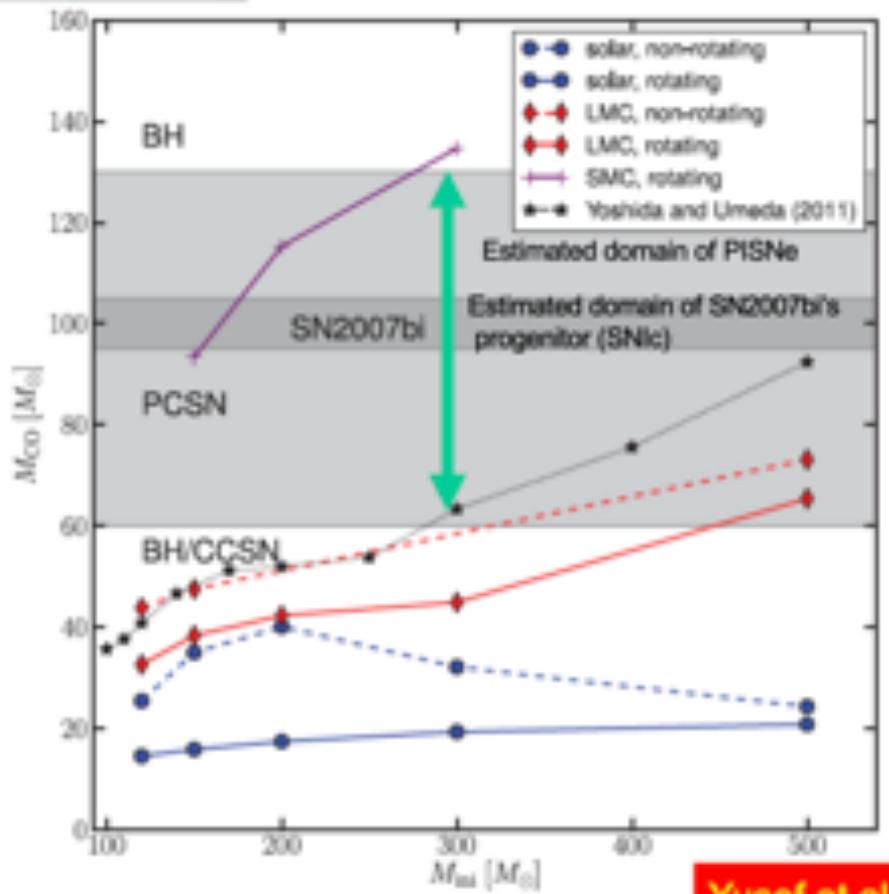


Sana et al. 2012

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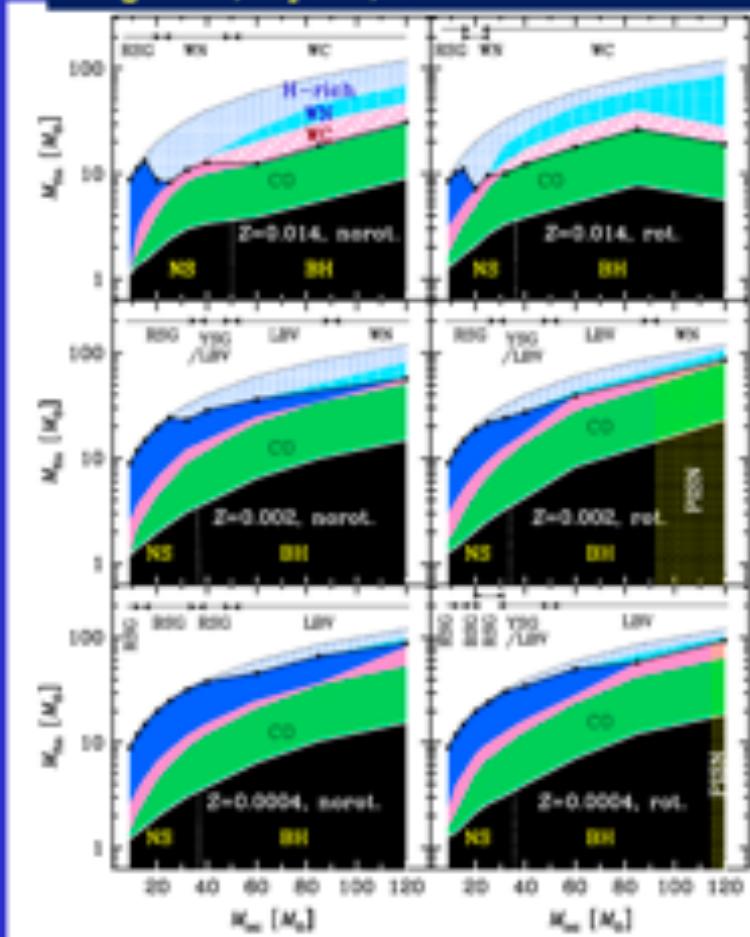


Yusof et al. 2013

Close binary evolution → see Bavera et al. 2020; Qin et al. 2018

Impact of rotation on PISNe progenitors

Progenitors, ejecta, remnants



Groh et al. 2019



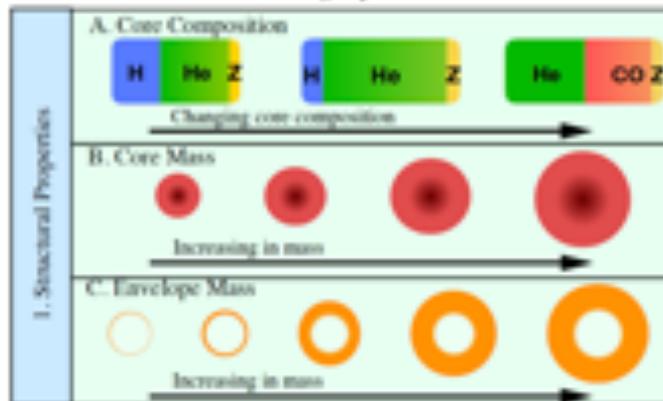
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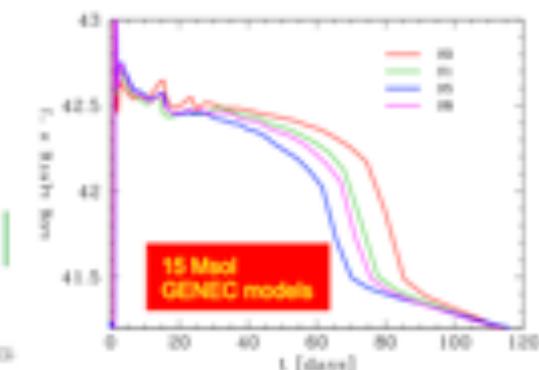
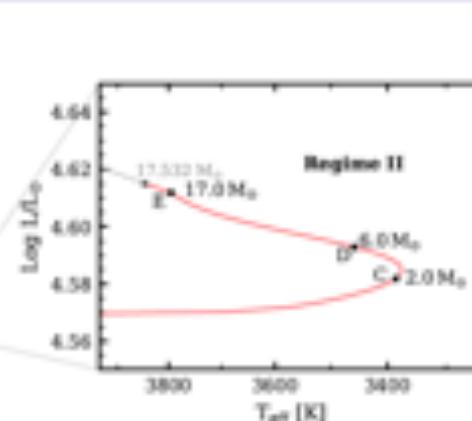
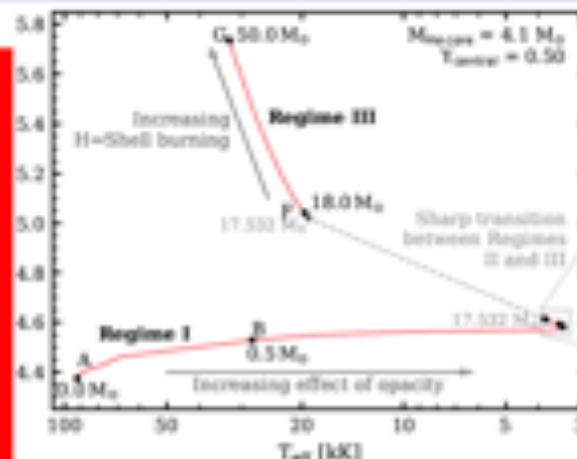
Catalogue of pre-SN structures, SN light curve

WP 5 504 program
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SNAPSHOT models: Constructing Equilibrium Stellar Structure Models



Farrell et al. submitted



Ebinger et al. 2020 (Push code)

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CONCLUSIONS

Stupidity consists in wanting to conclude Flaubert

STARS → Age and distance in the Universe,



The understanding of stellar evolution is required to understand structures as small as dust grains and large scale structure as the galaxies .



STARS → Physics laboratories

