

Discussion: Stellar feedback in the ISM

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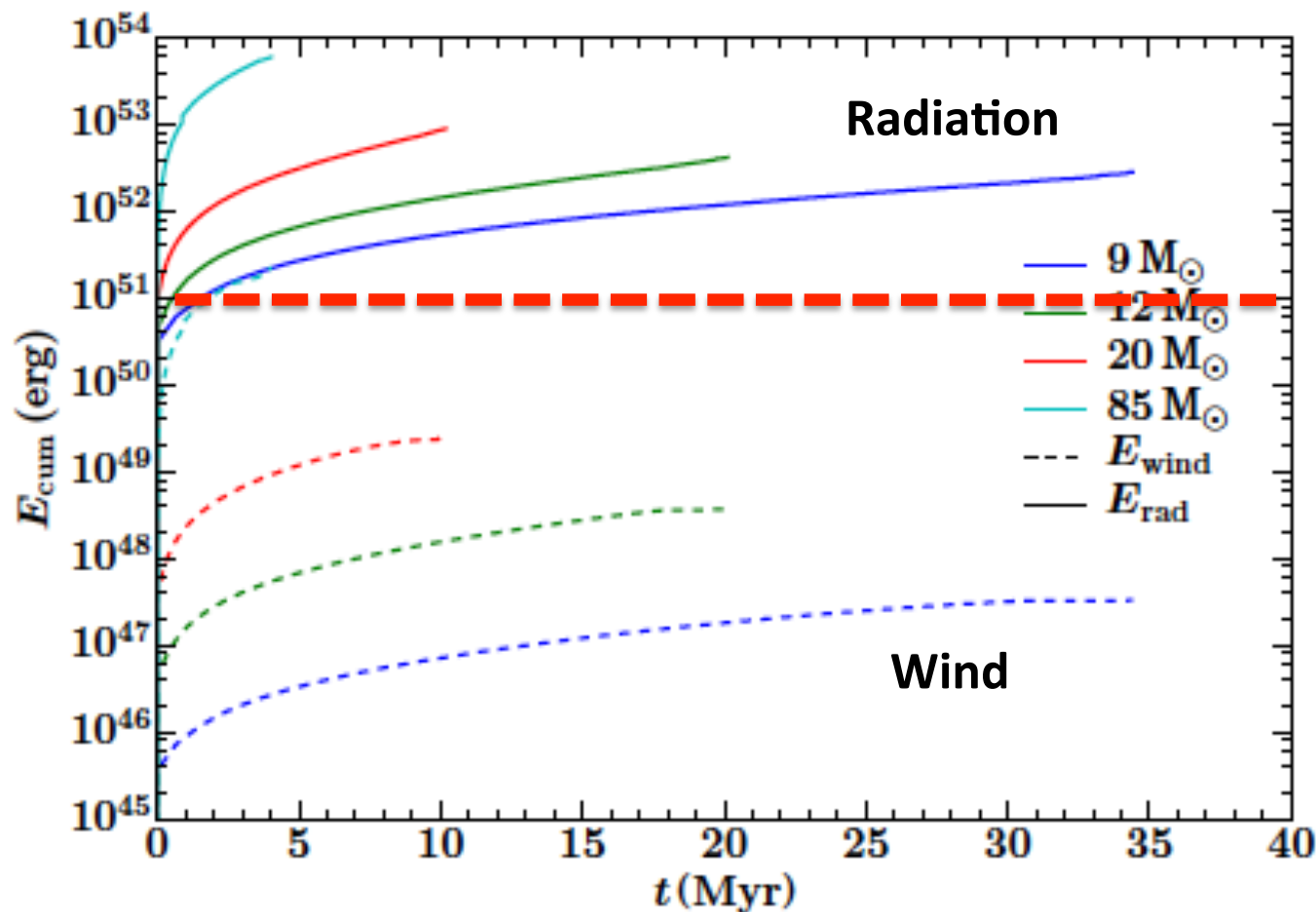
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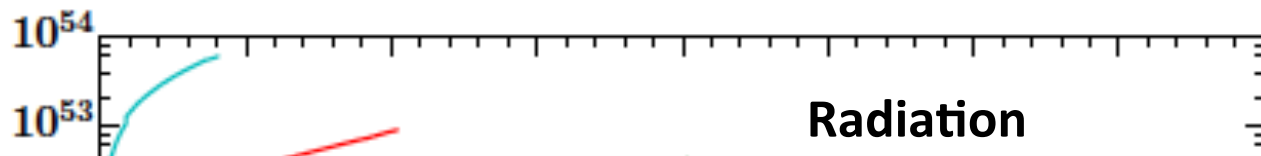
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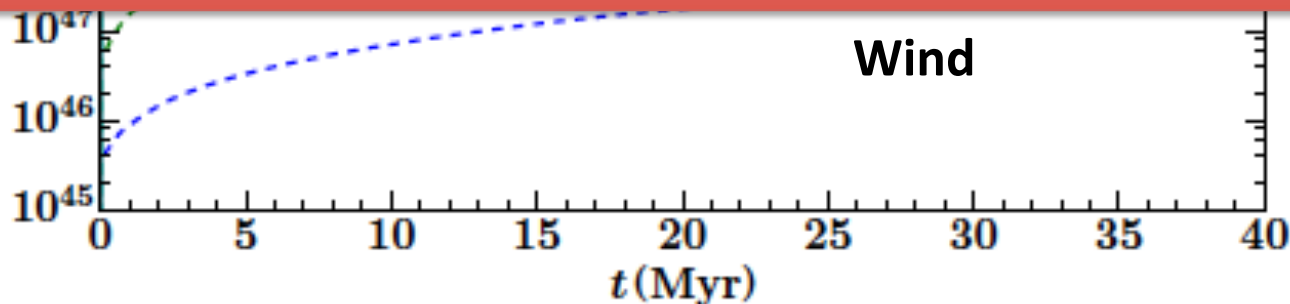
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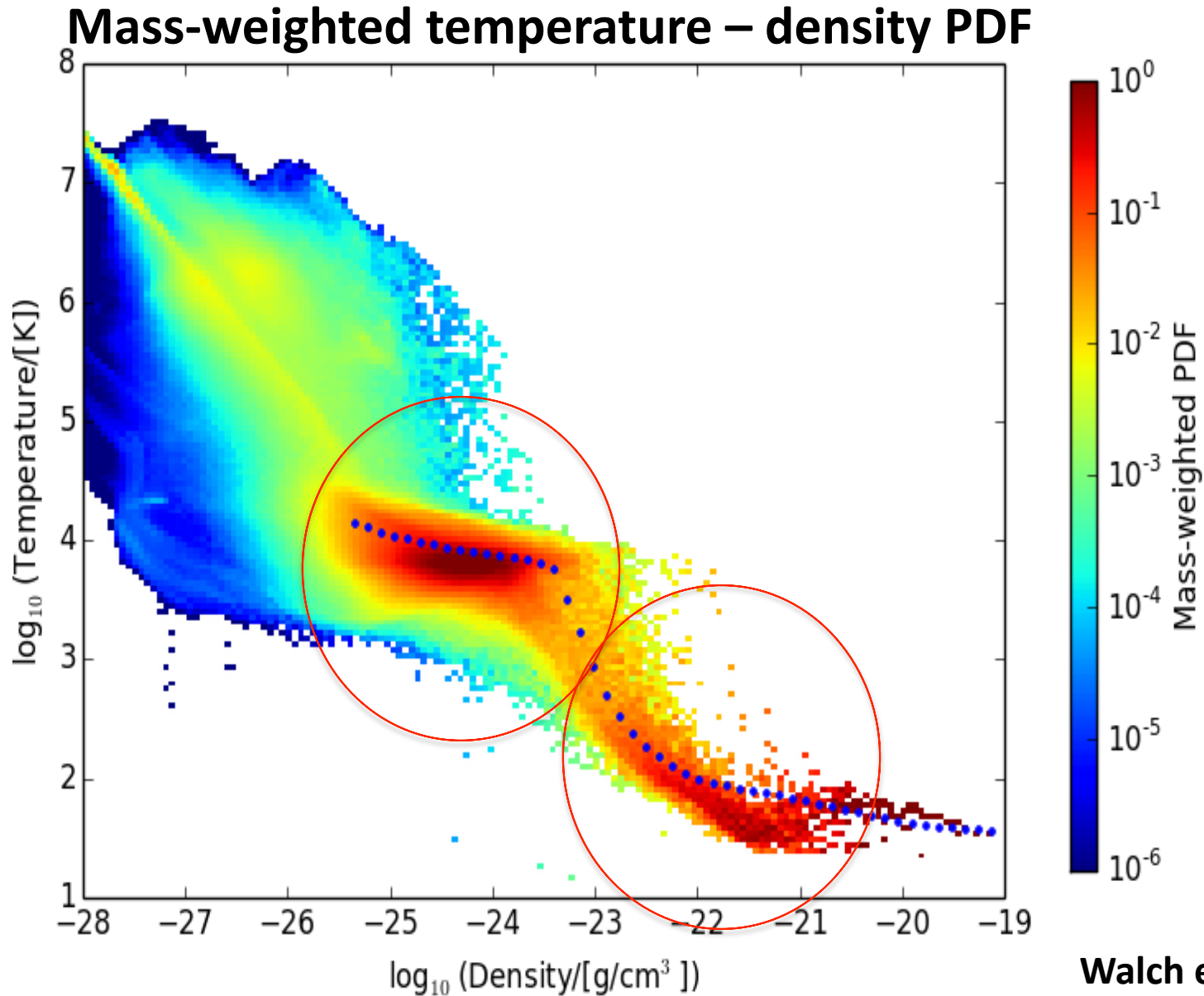


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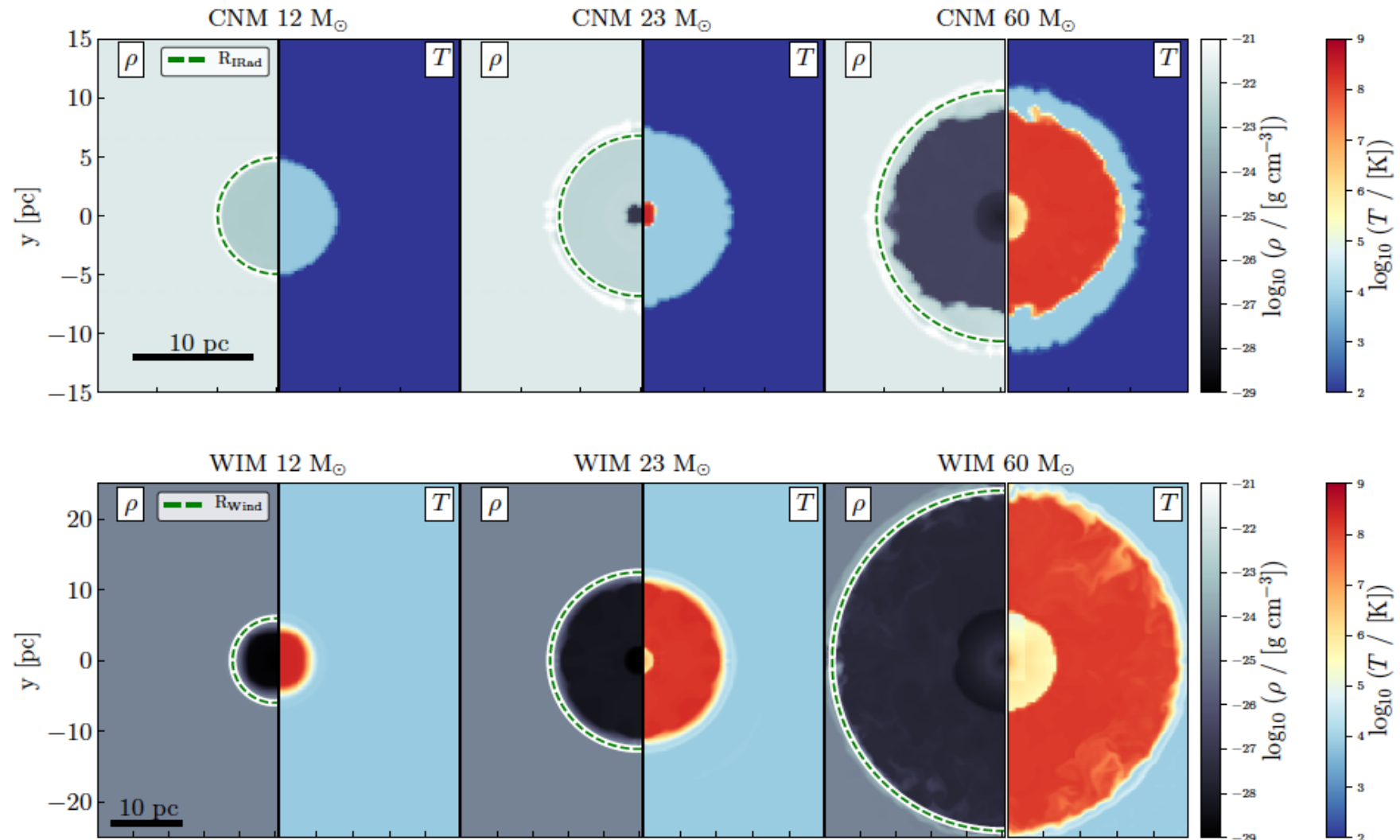


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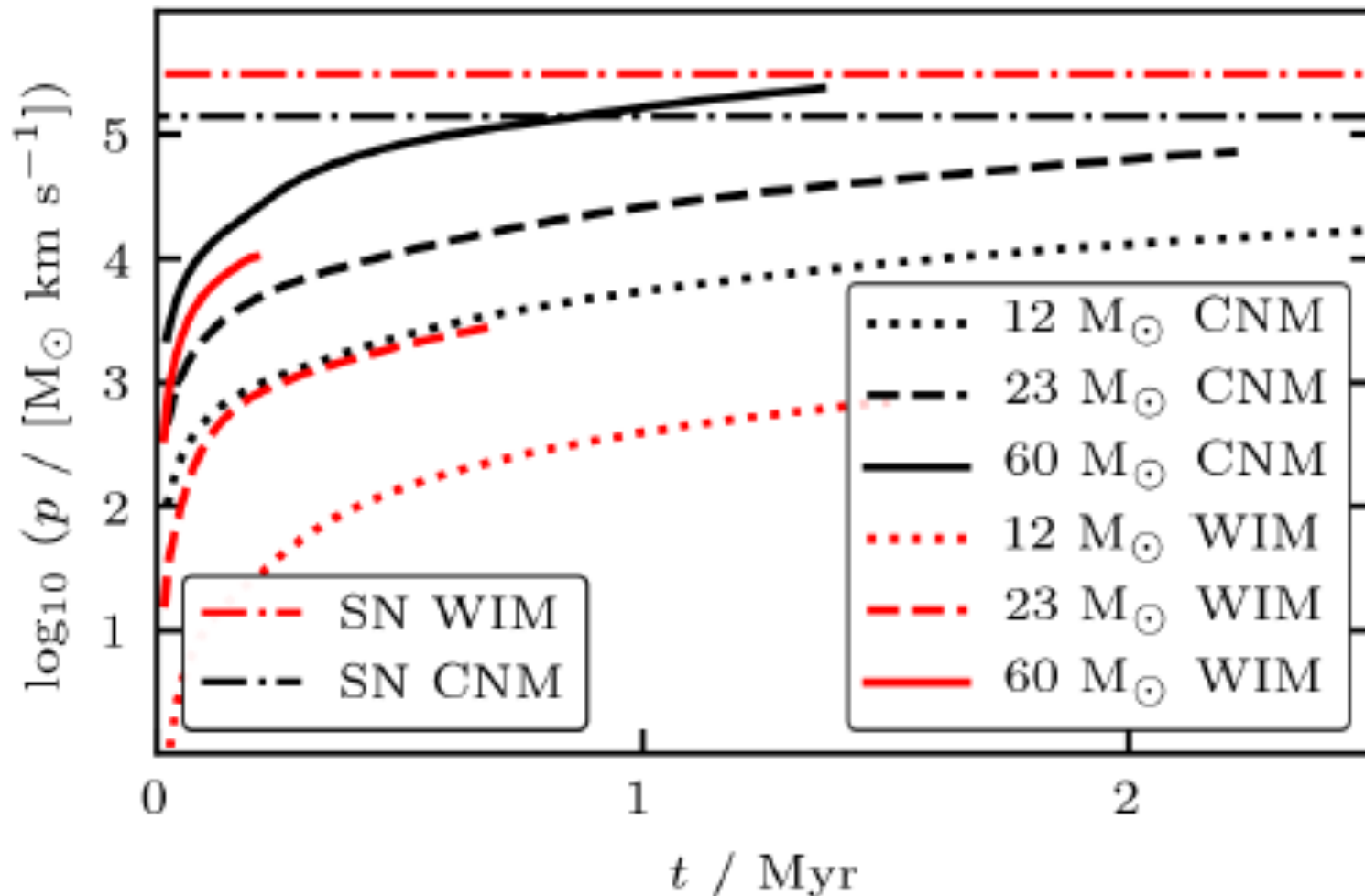
Simulations with FLASH + TreeRay + Chemical Network



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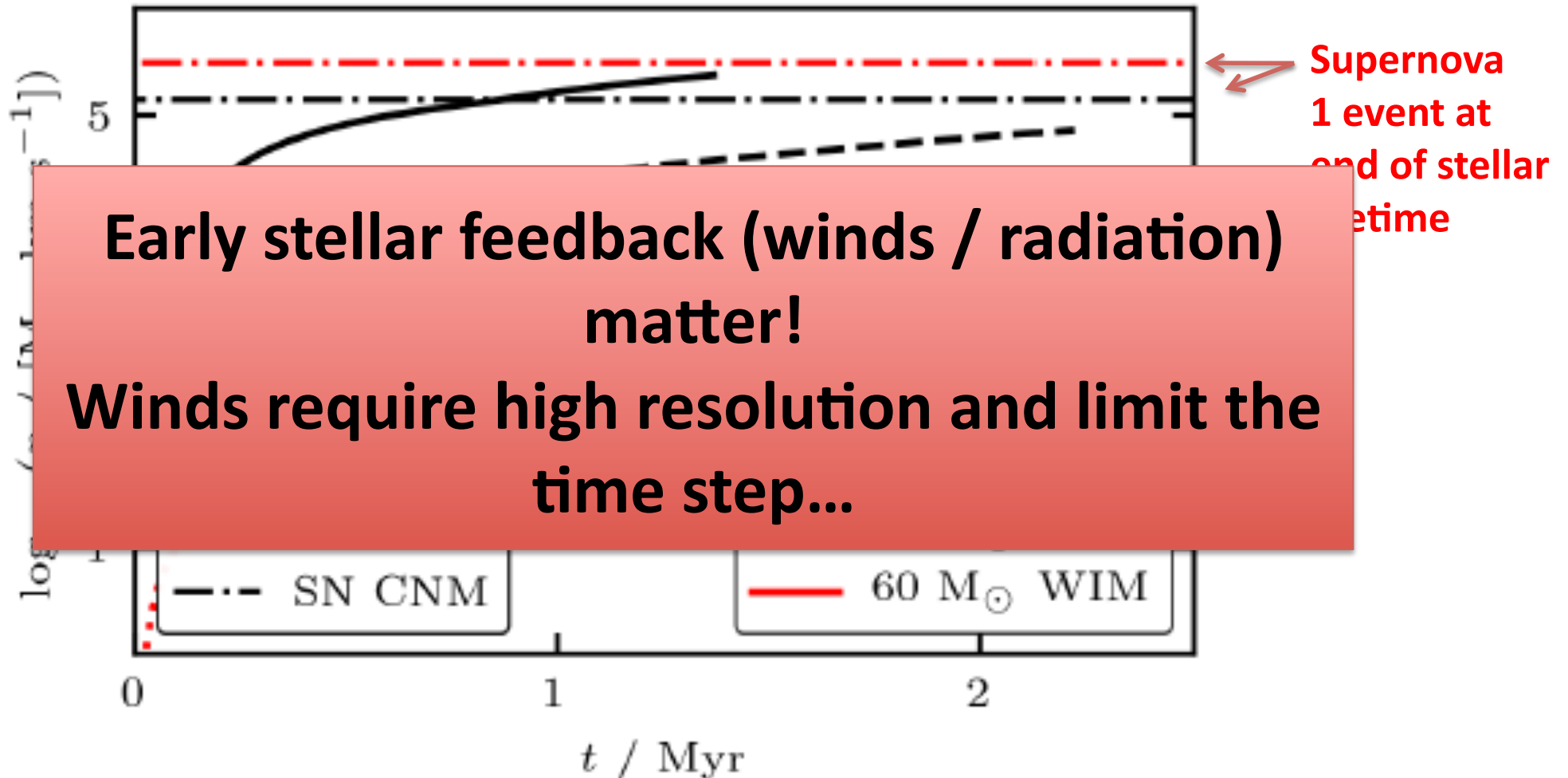


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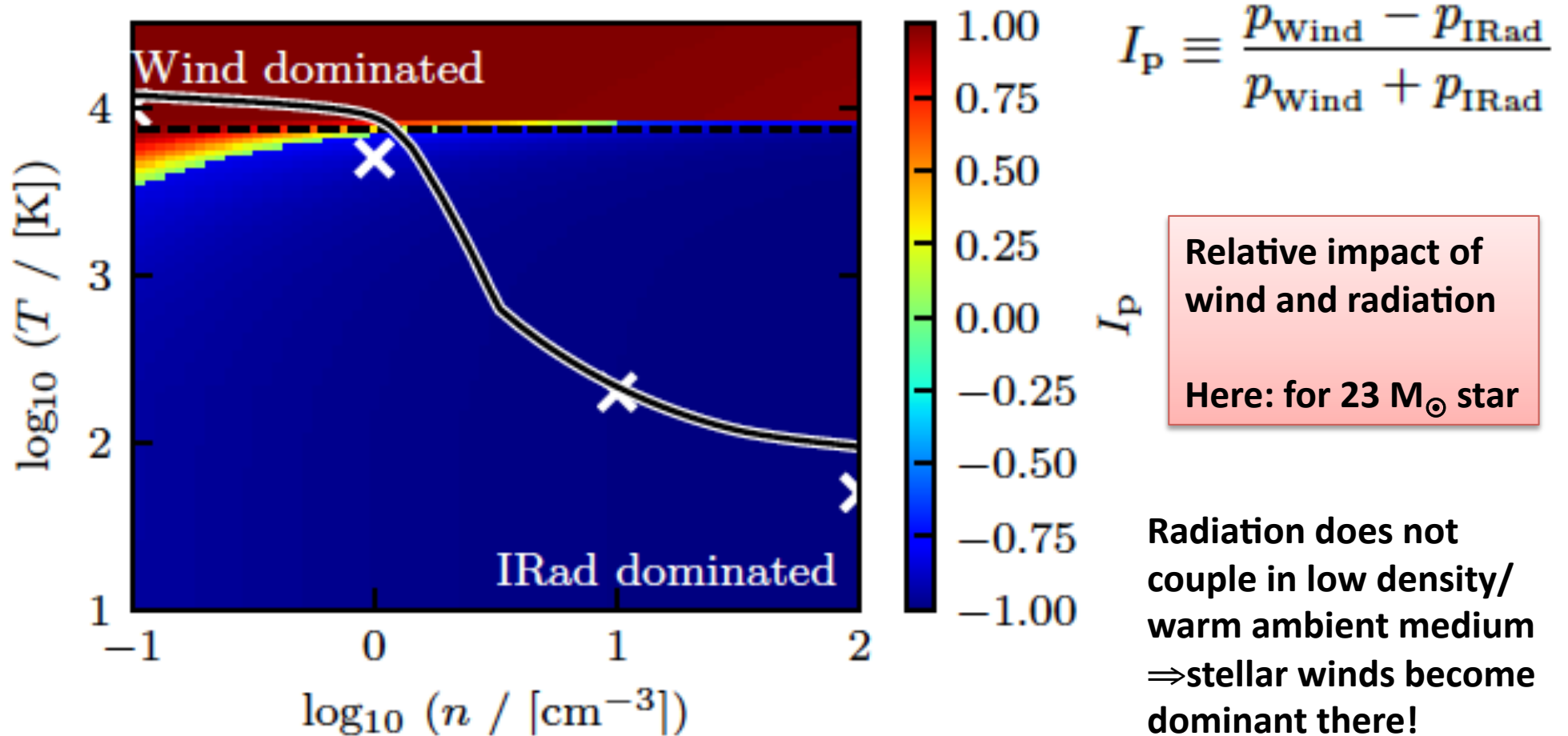
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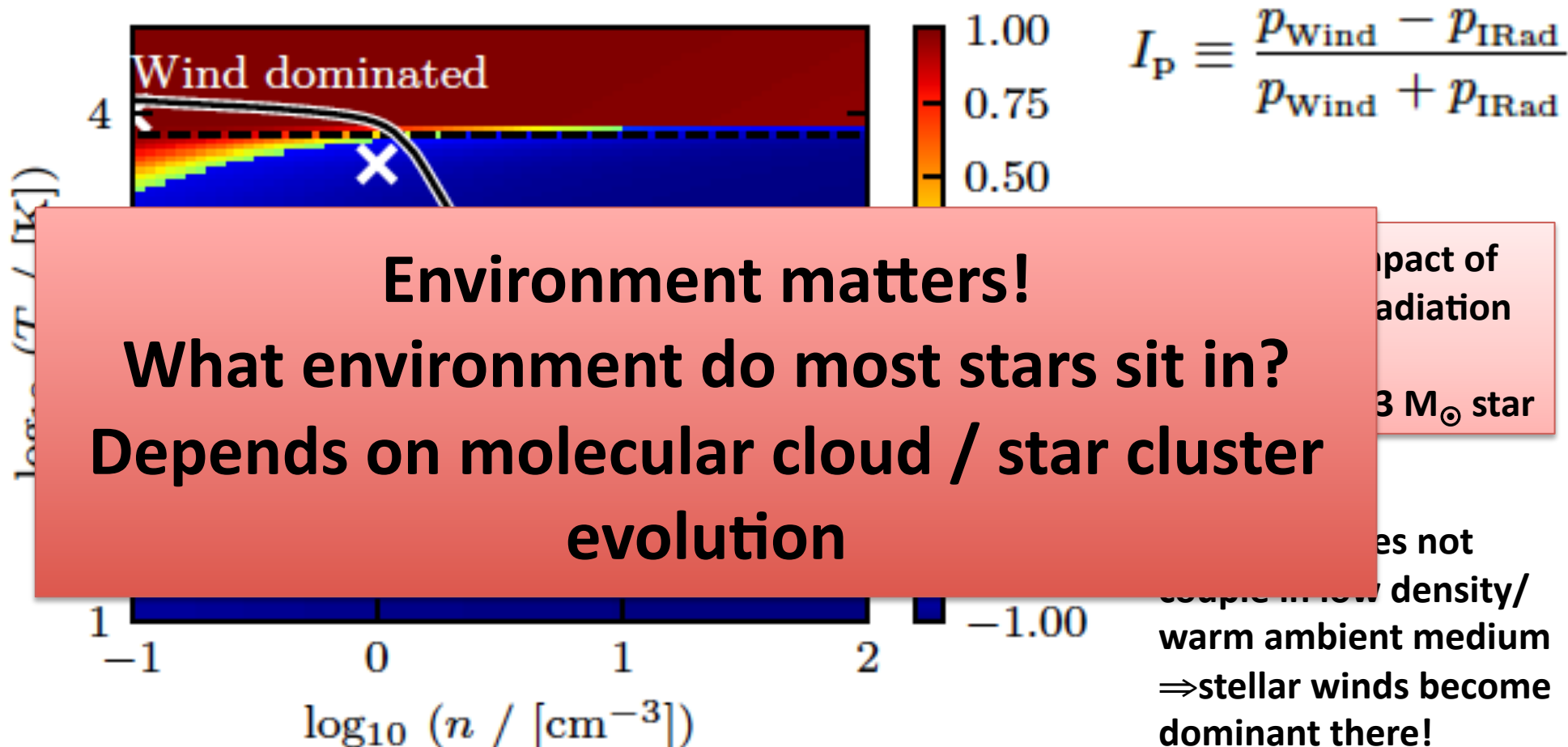
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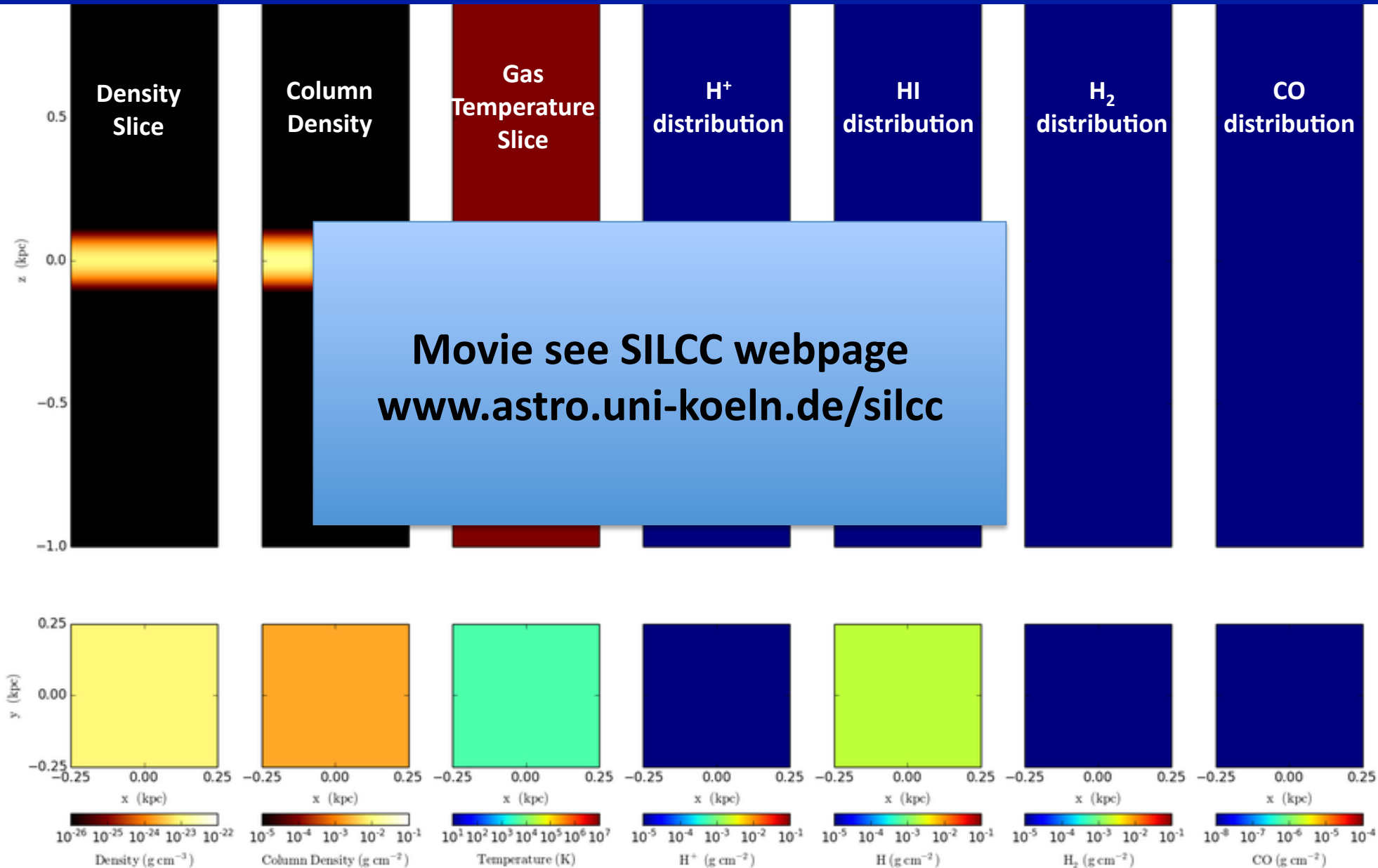


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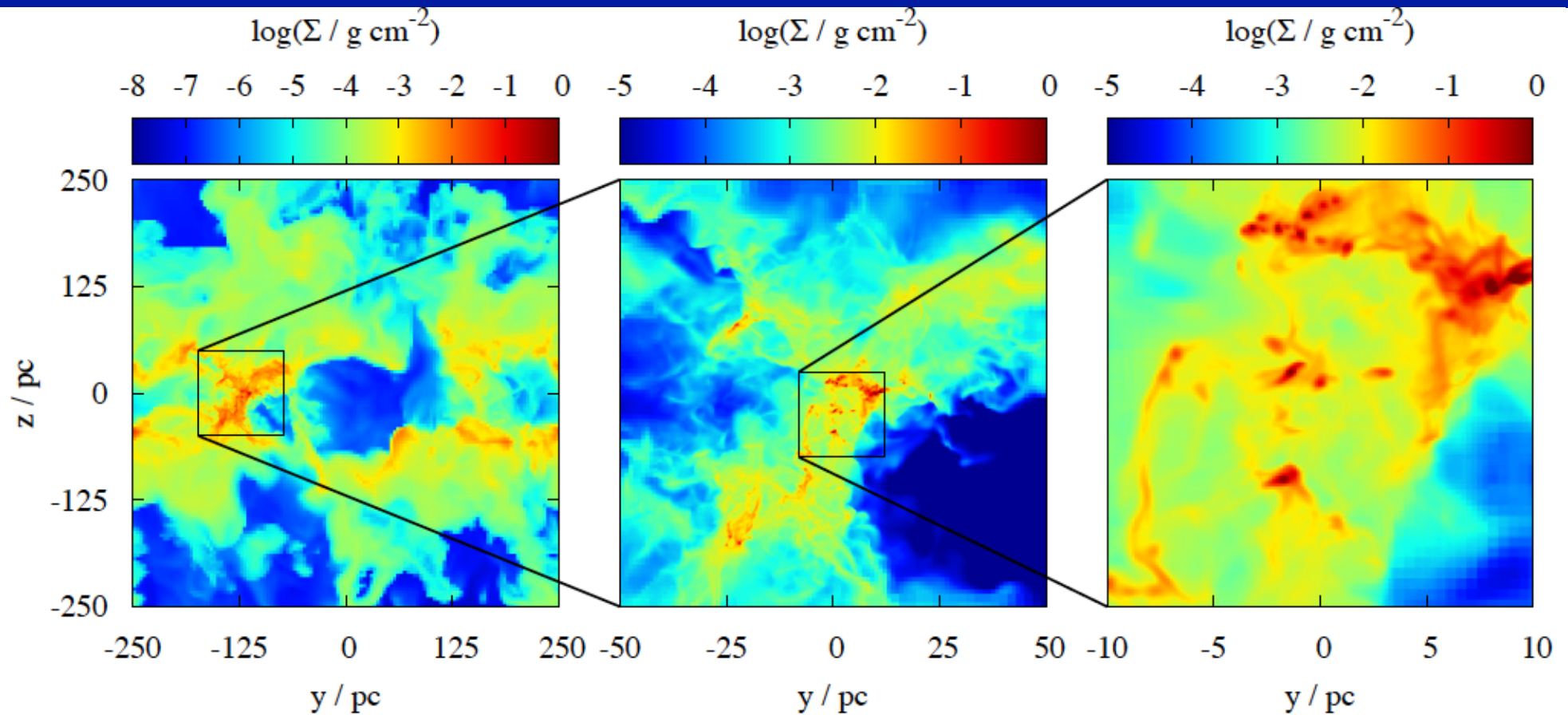
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SILCC simulations of Gatto, Walch +2017: including star cluster formation and feedback (stellar winds + supernovae)



SILCC-ZOOM: Galactic zoom-in calculations:

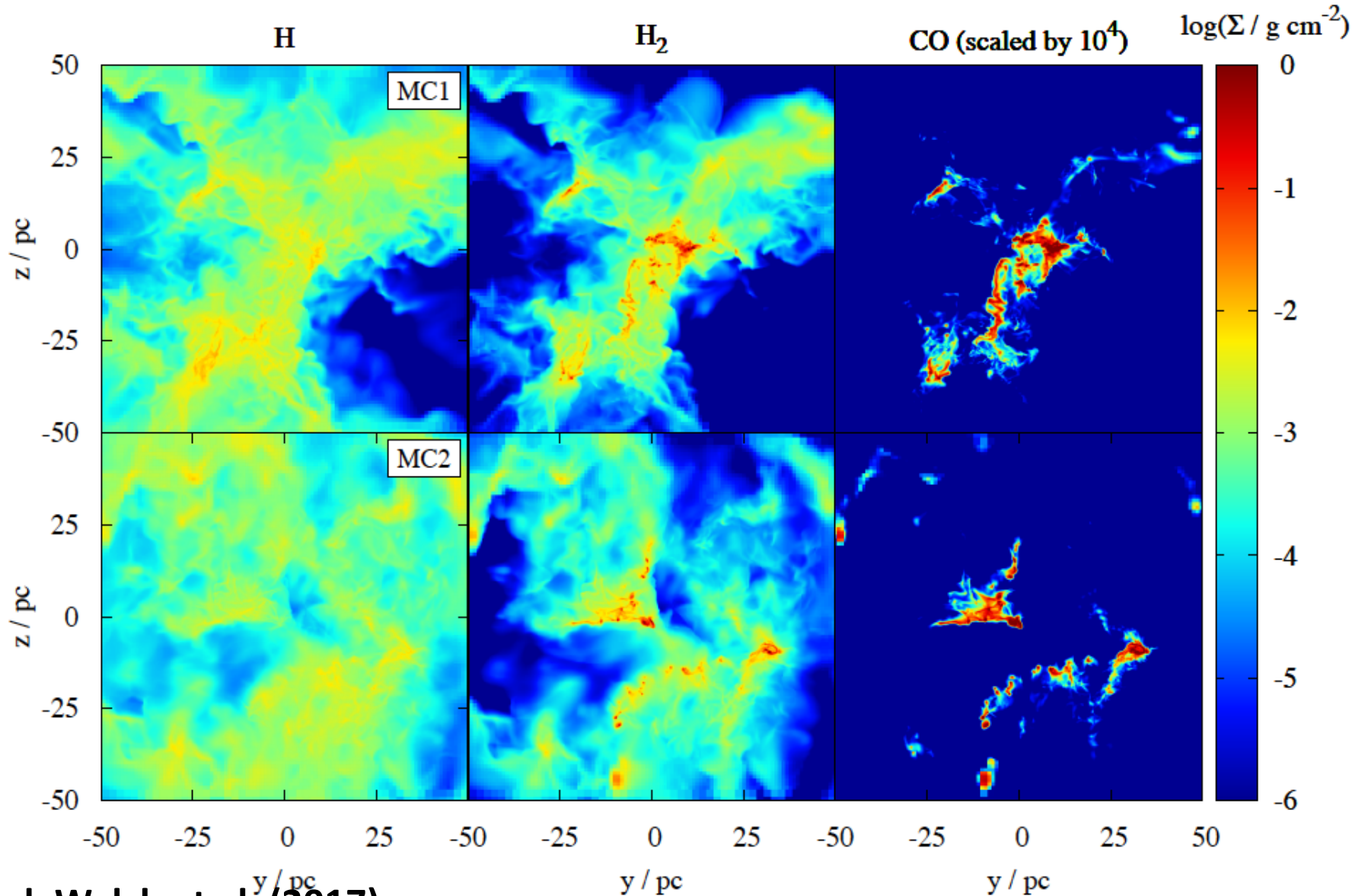


=> pick a cloud from SILCC

=> resolve down to 0.1 pc but keep galactic environment



Zoom-in calculations for 2 clouds: Column density in HI, H₂, and CO

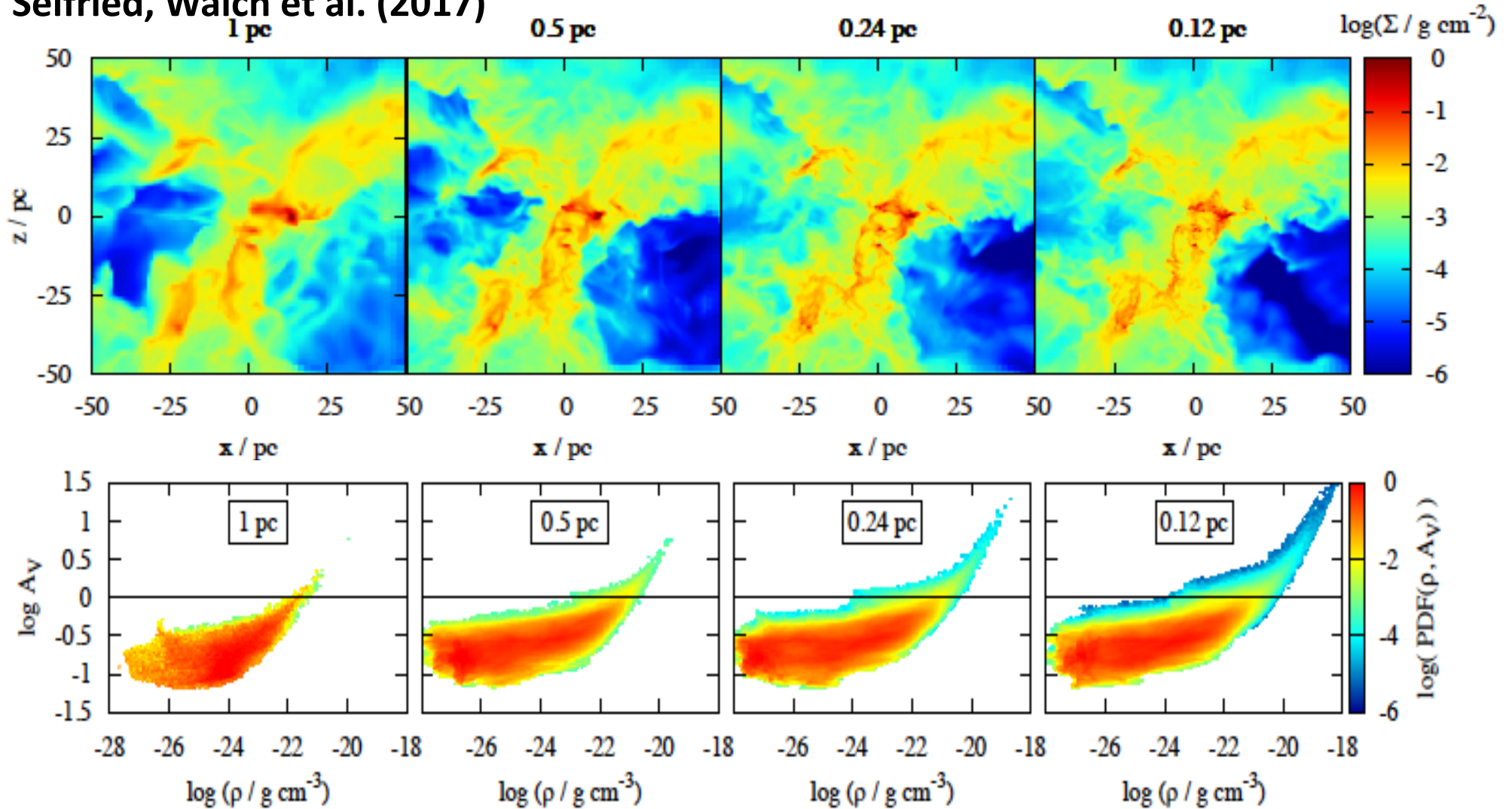


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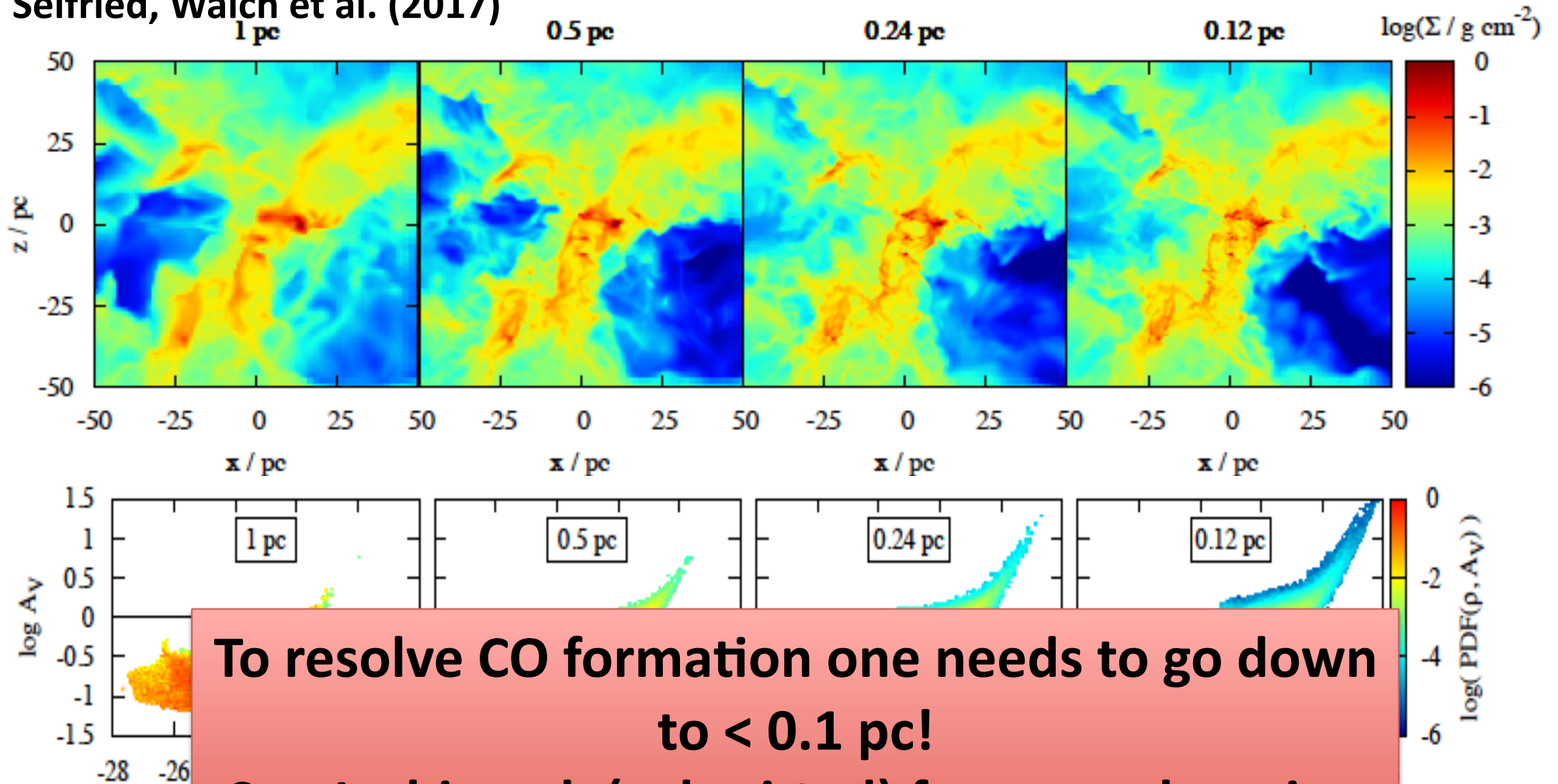
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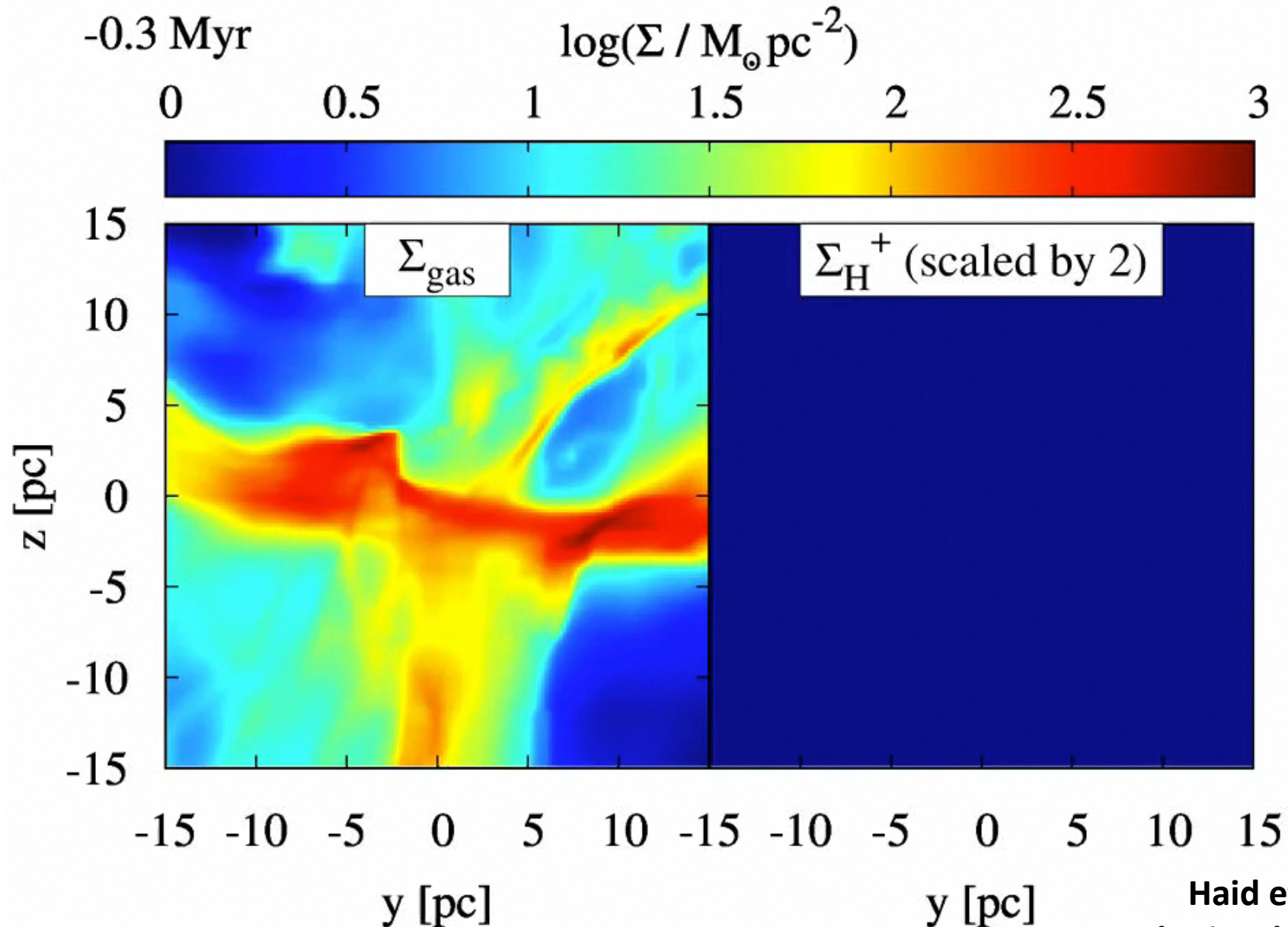
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To resolve CO formation one needs to go down to $< 0.1 \text{ pc}$!

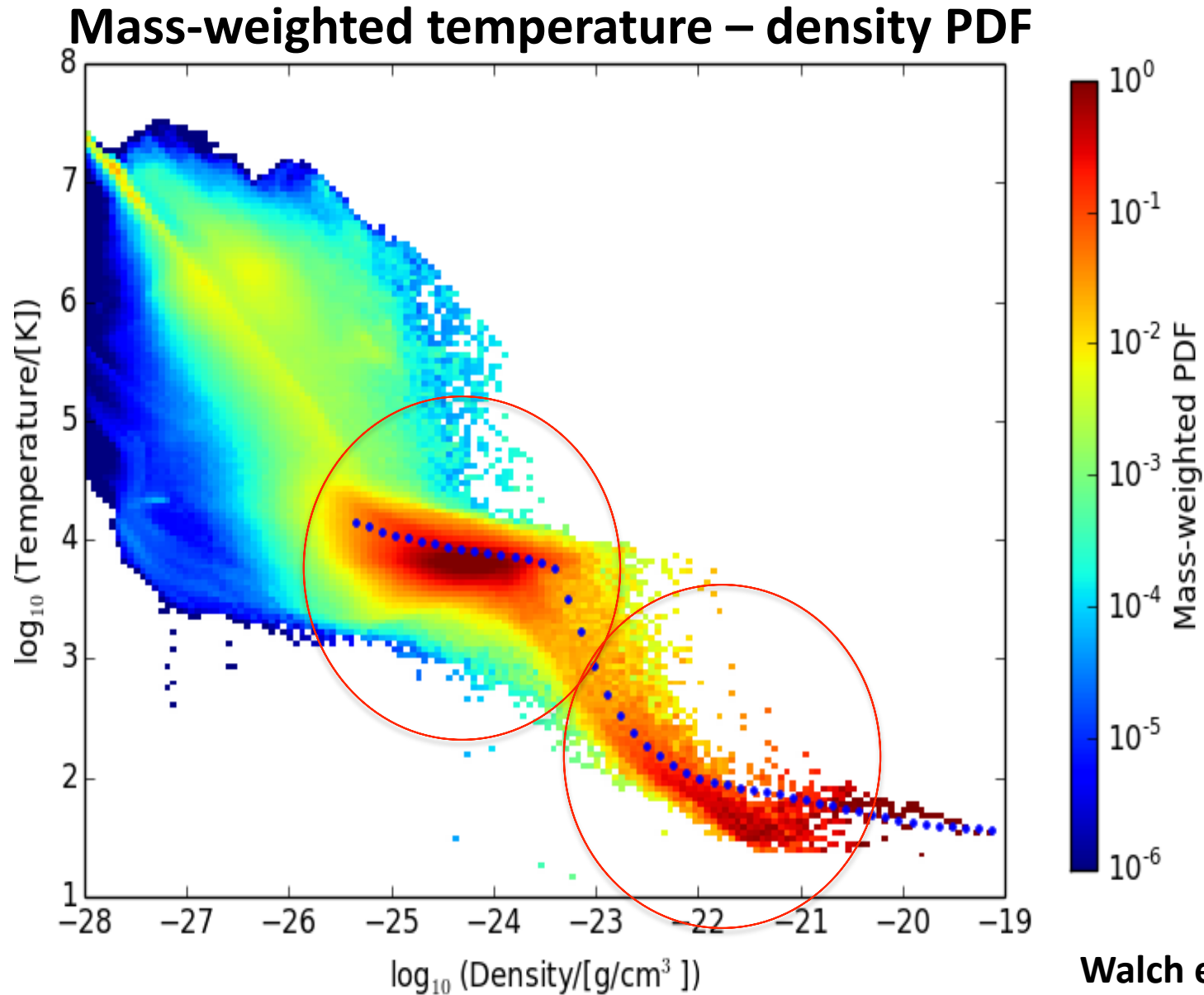
See Joshi et al. (submitted) for an explanation of this resolution criterion!

The molecular cloud “thunderstorm”: Flickering HII regions - highly variable ionization fraction



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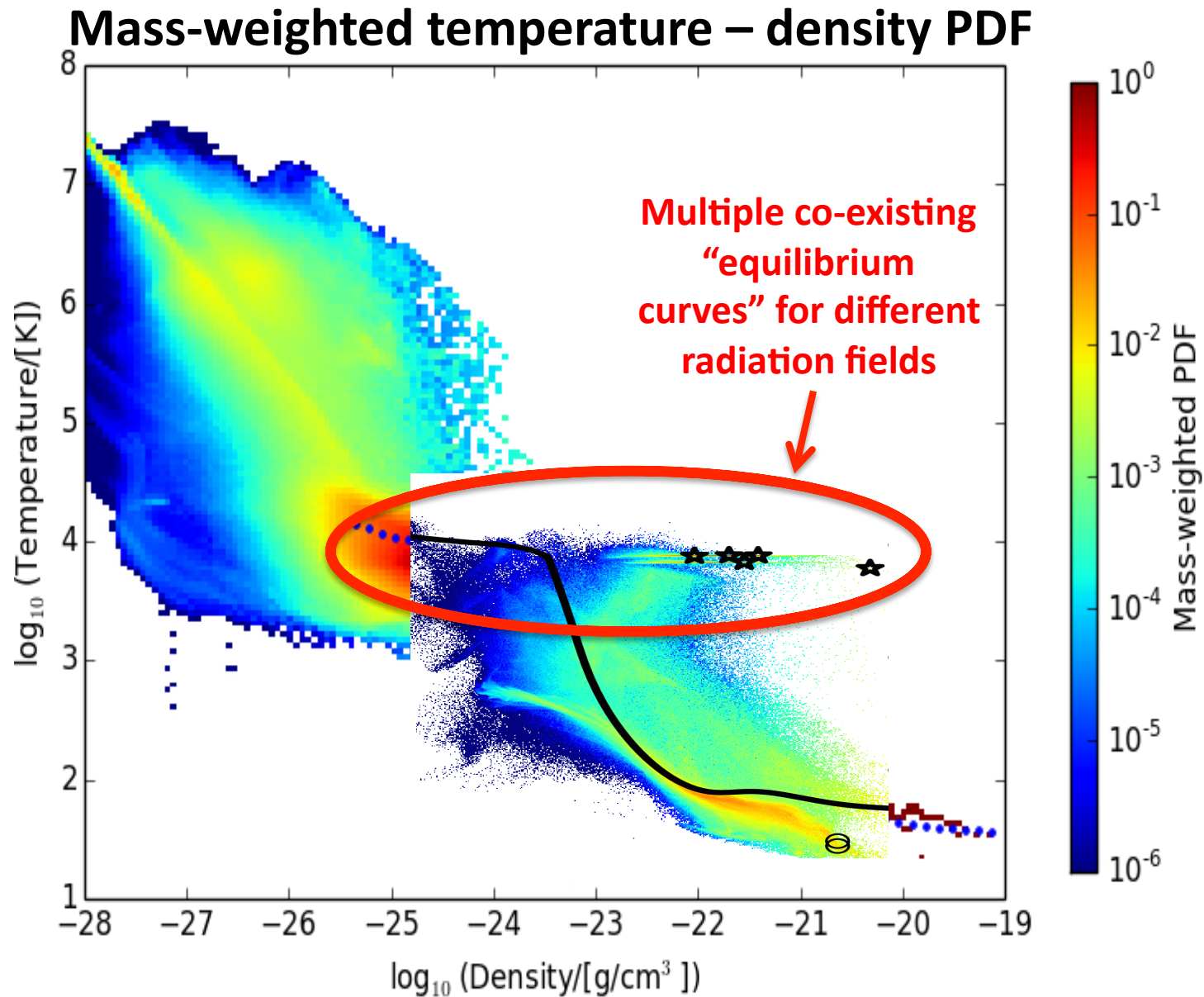
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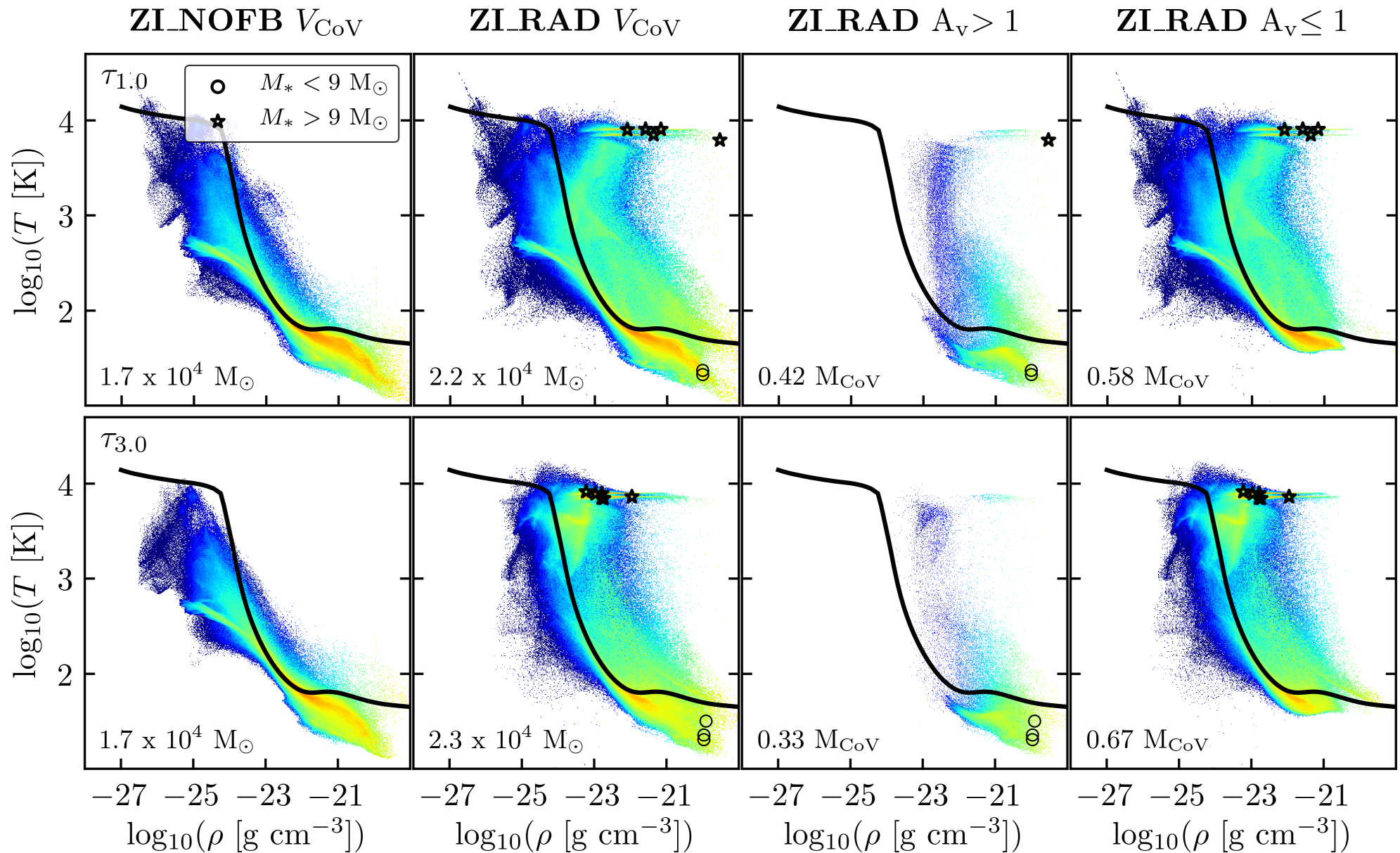
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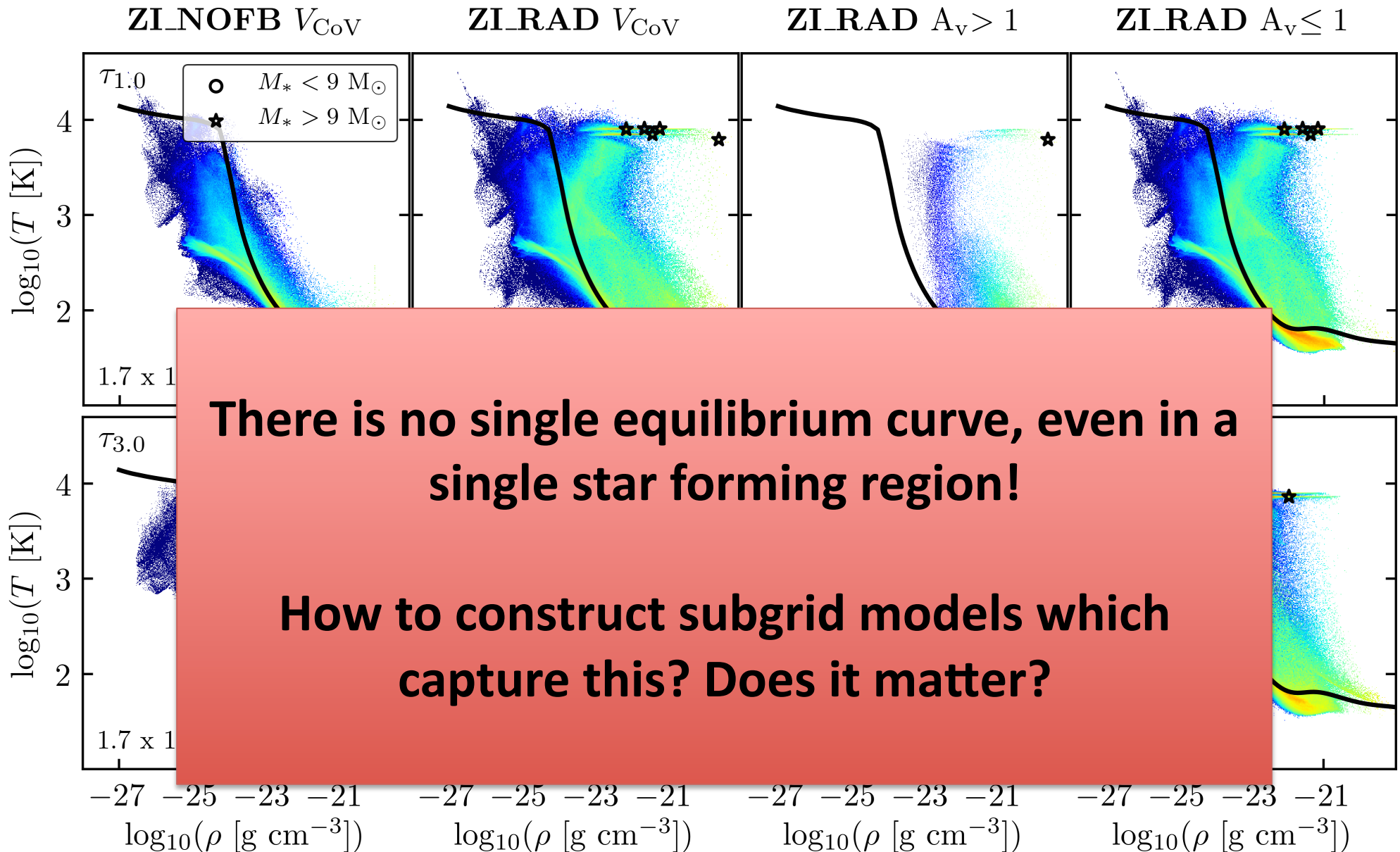
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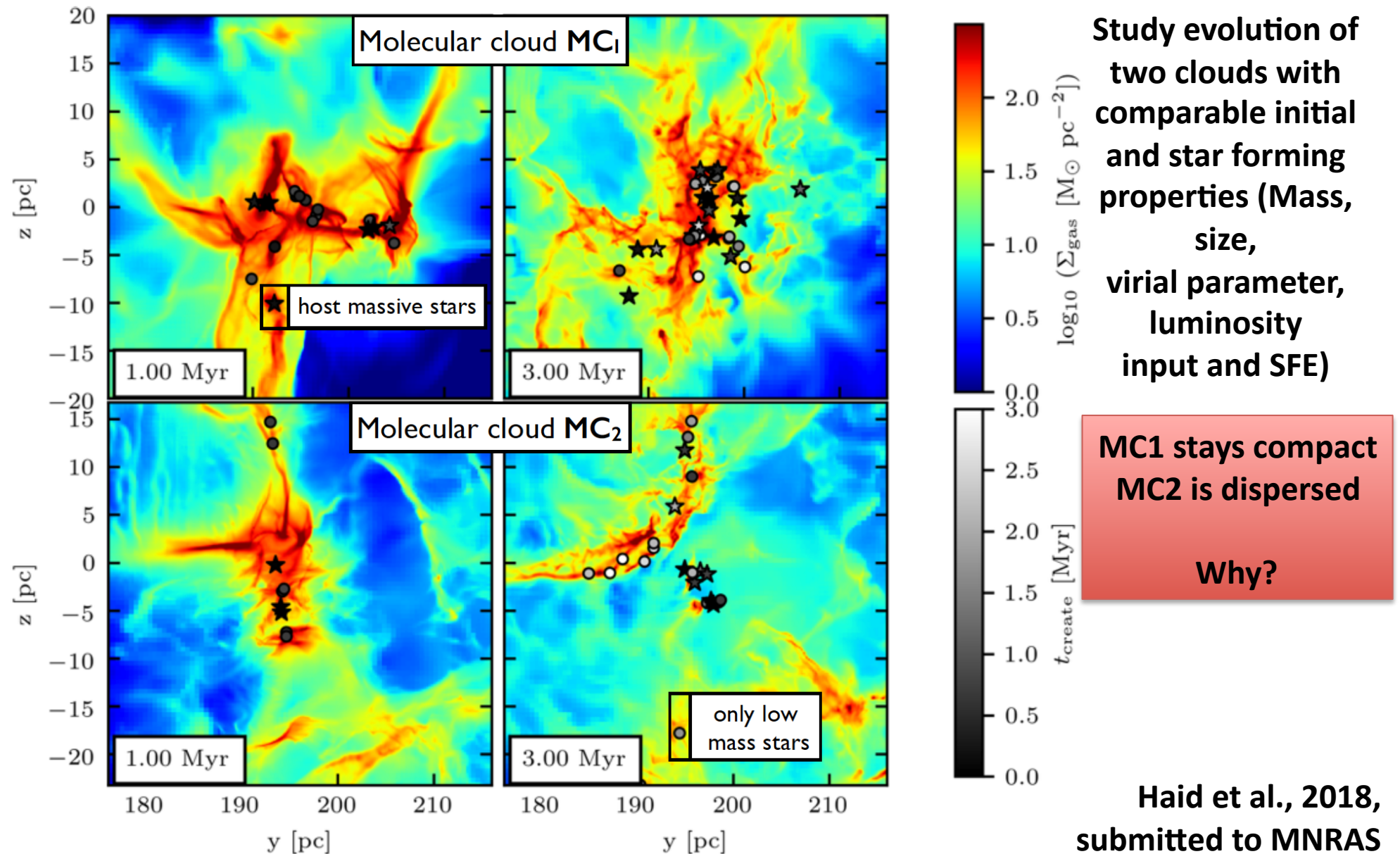
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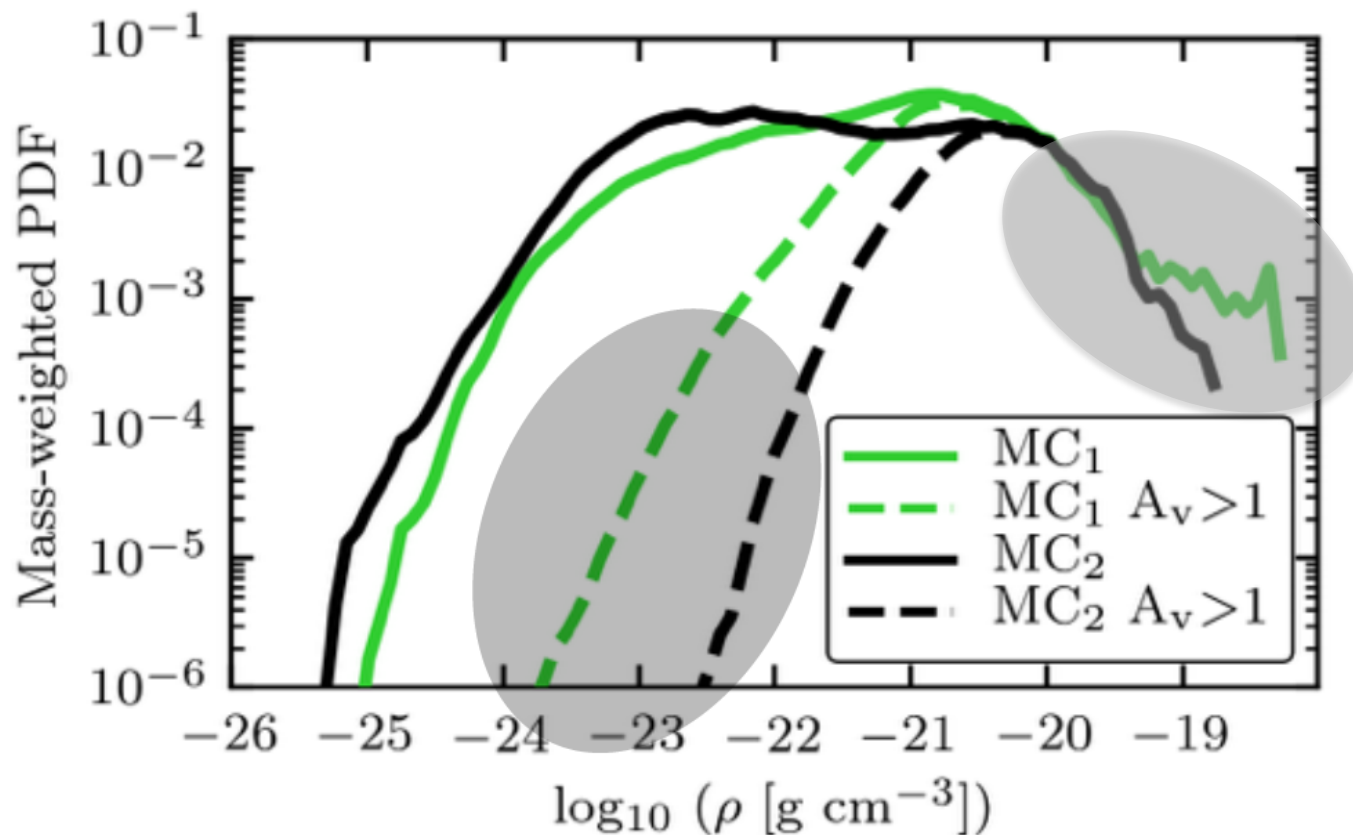


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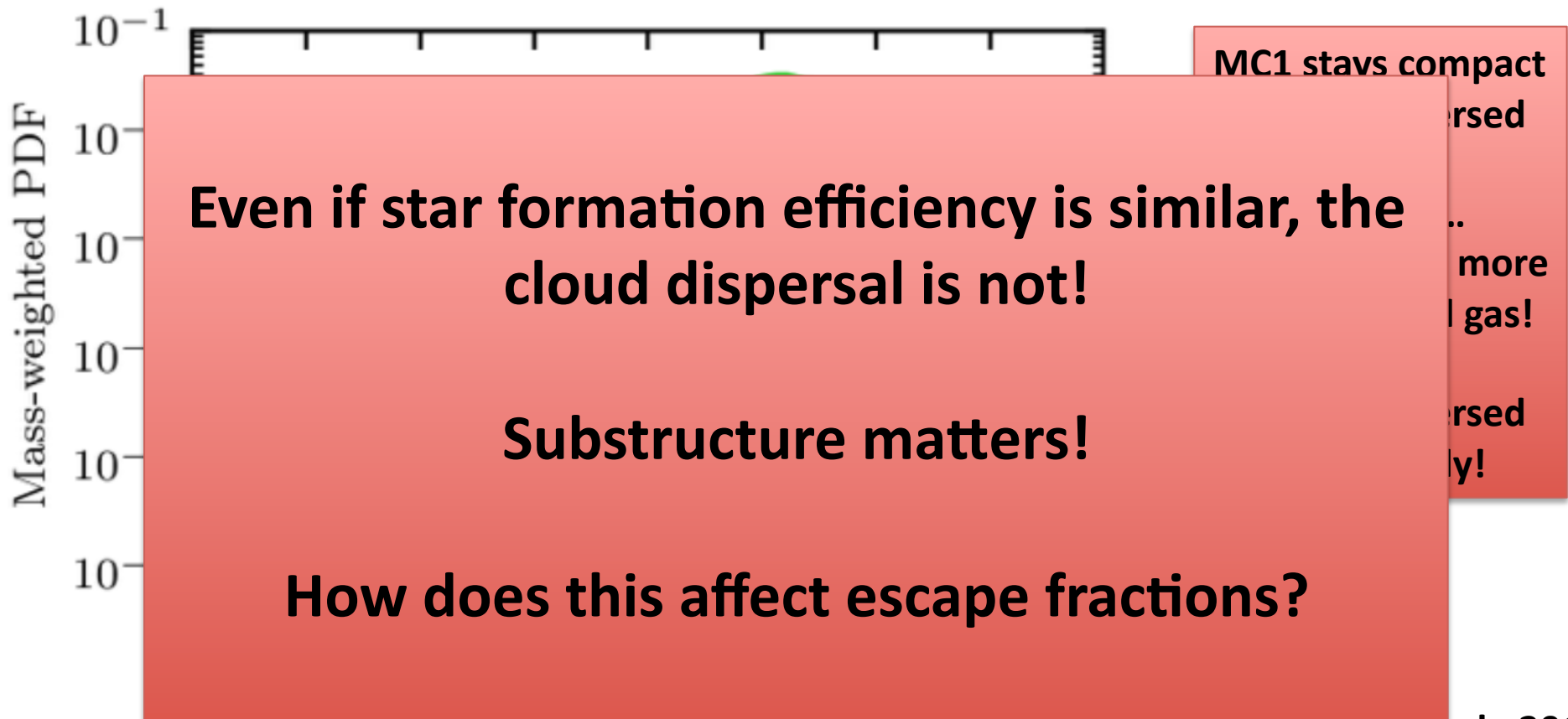
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Because...
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