

Long GRB progenitors



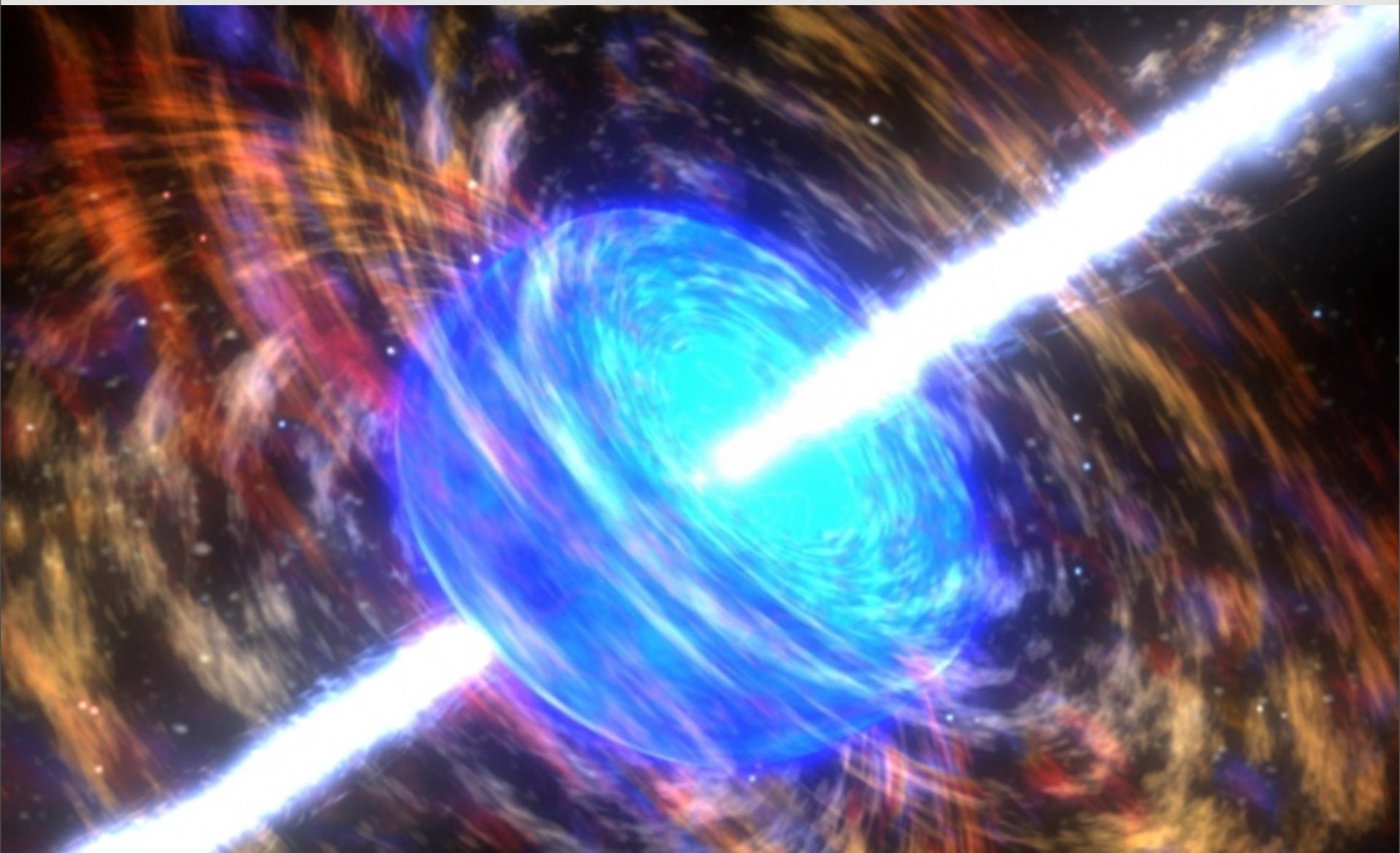
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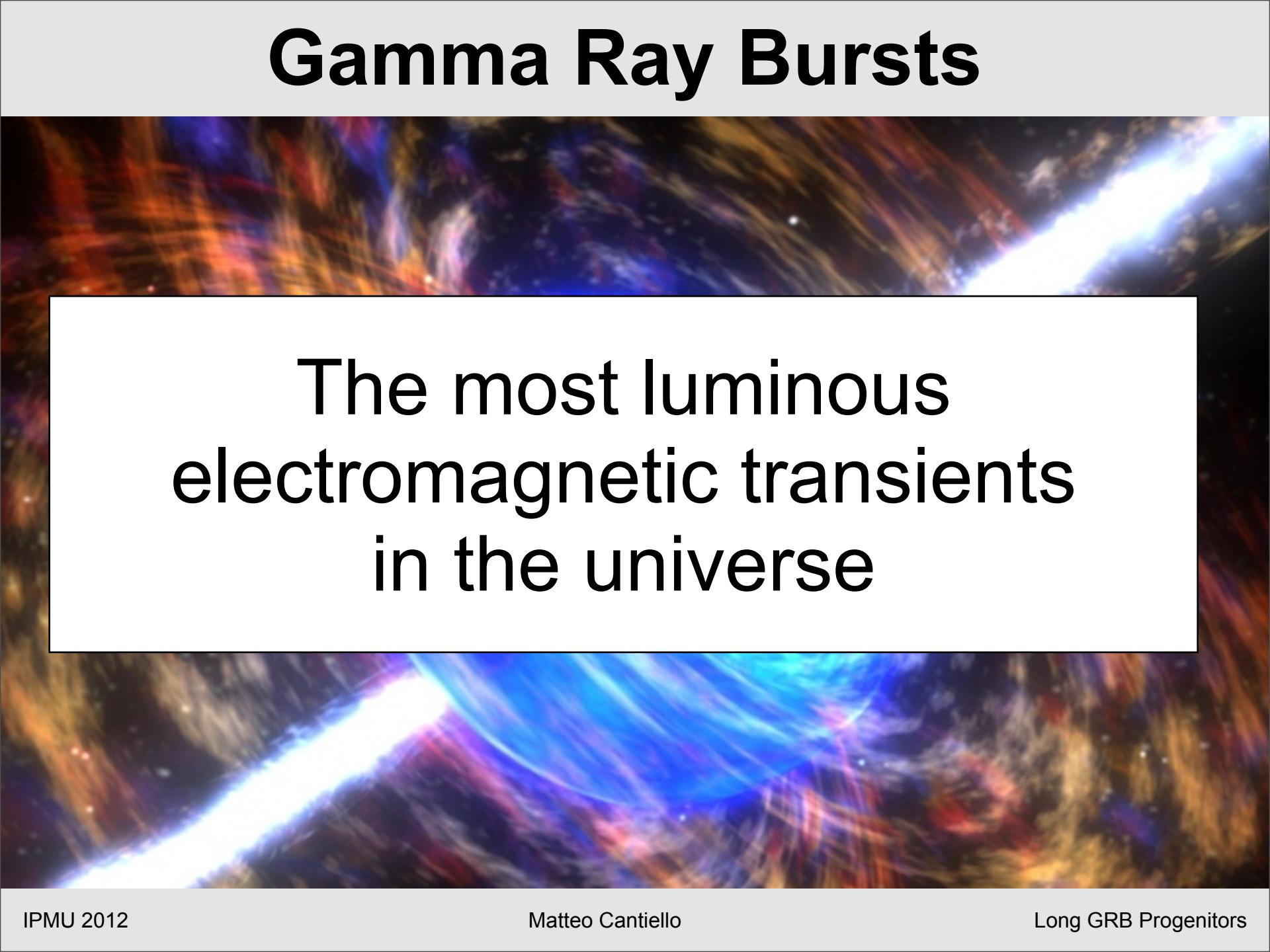
Gamma Ray Bursts

- Central Engines
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- Binary Star Progenitors of GRBs
- Relevant Observations of Massive Stars
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- Where we stand?

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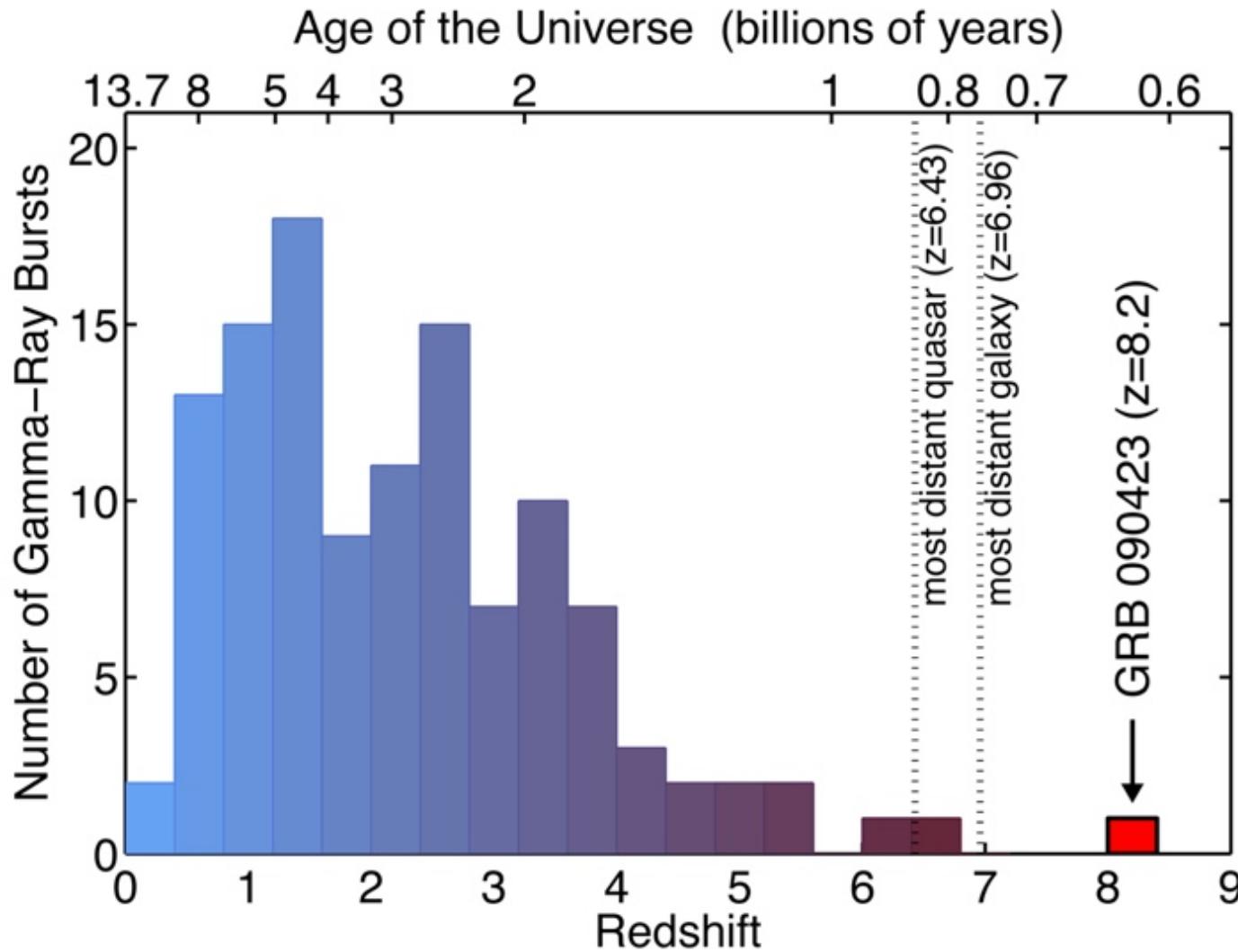


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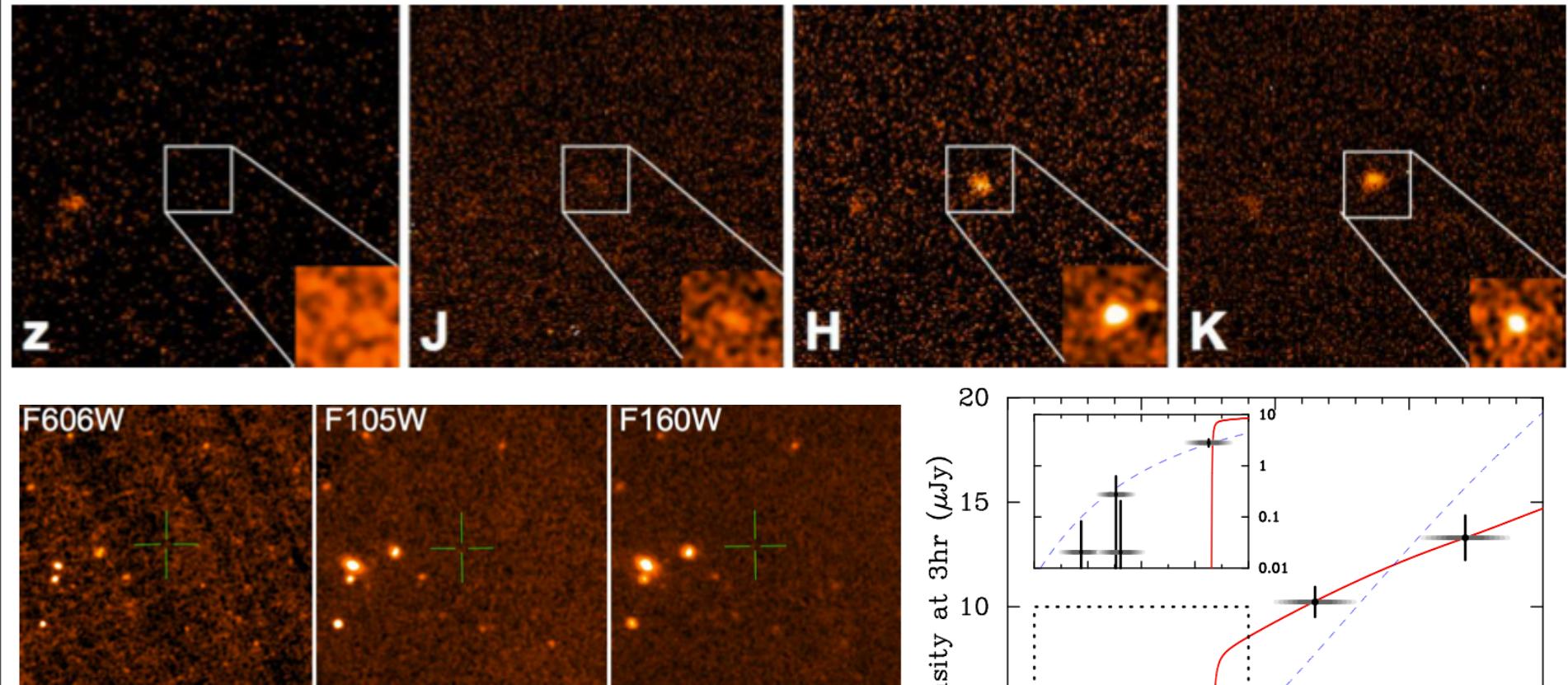
The most luminous
electromagnetic transients
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SWIFT GRBs



Credit: Edo Berger (Harvard-Smithsonian CfA)

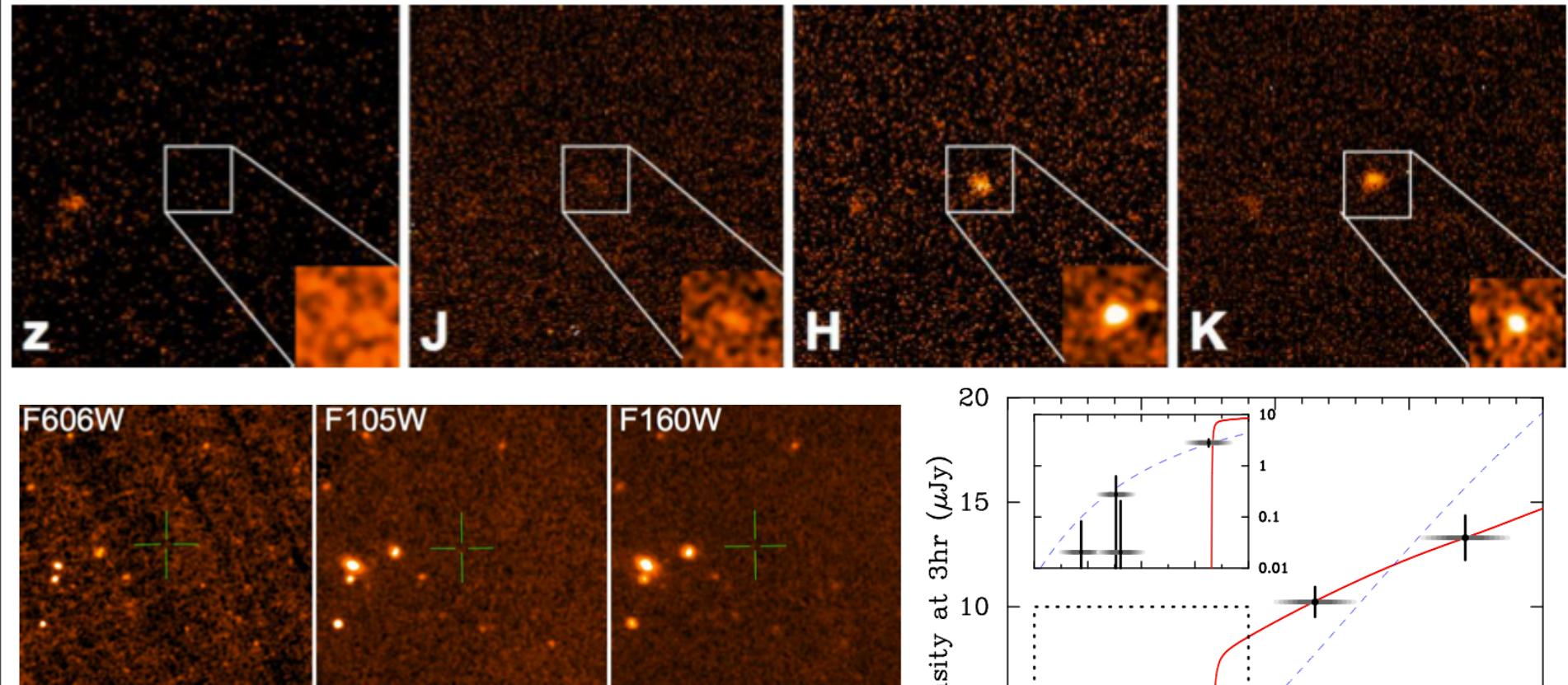
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Two classes of GRBs

- **70% Long ($t > 2\text{s}$)**
- Associated with the death of massive stars (e.g. Nomoto et al. 2011)
- **30% Short ($t < 2\text{s}$)**
- Merger of compact objects? (e.g. Berger 2011)

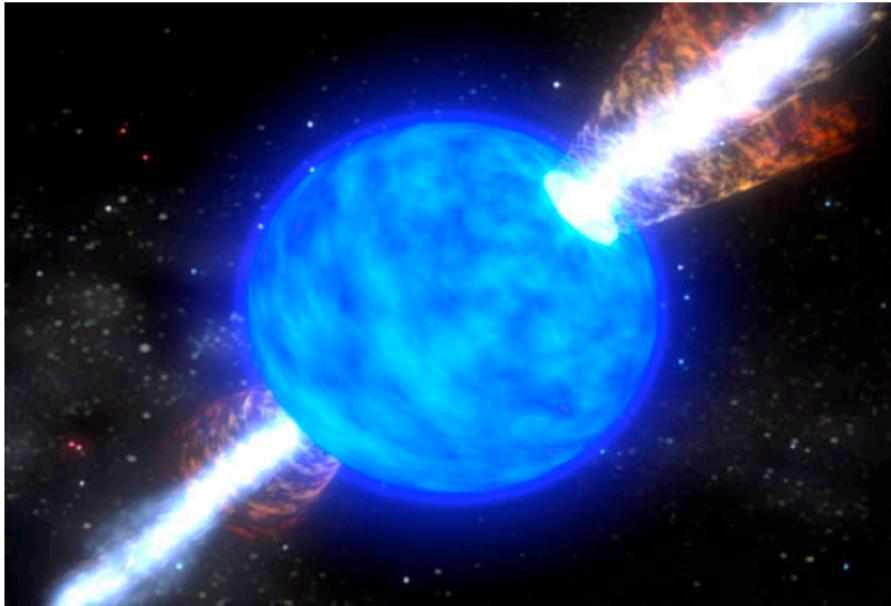


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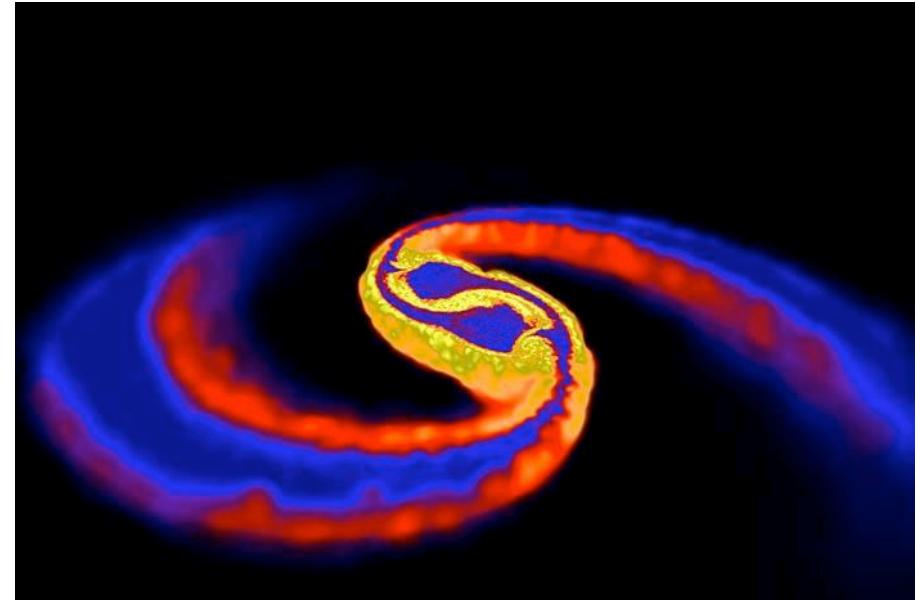


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Which massive stars explode as
Long Gamma-Ray Bursts?

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Central Engines 101



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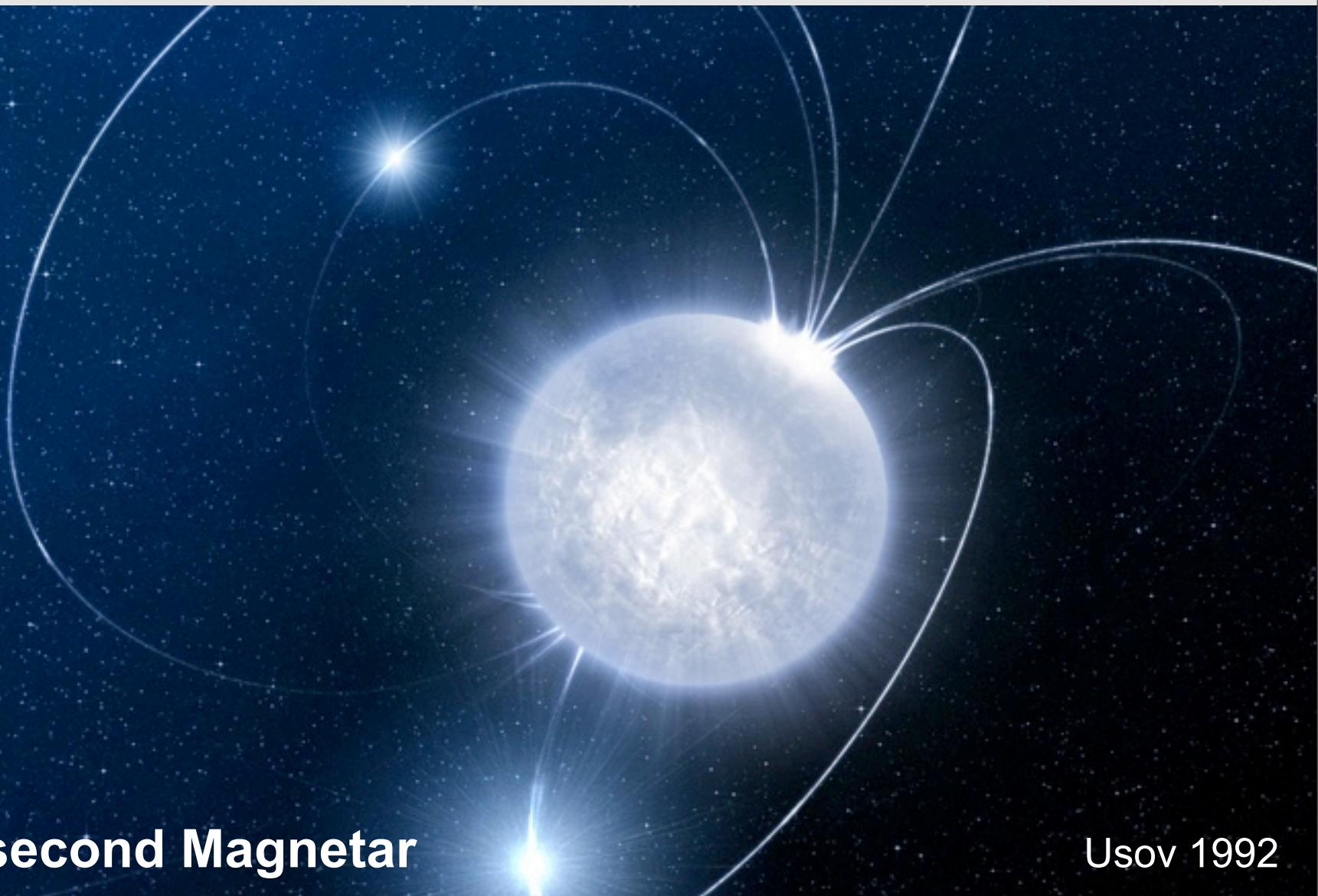
$E_{\text{acc}} \sim 0.01..1 M_{\text{sun}} c^2 \sim 10^{52..54} \text{ ergs}$



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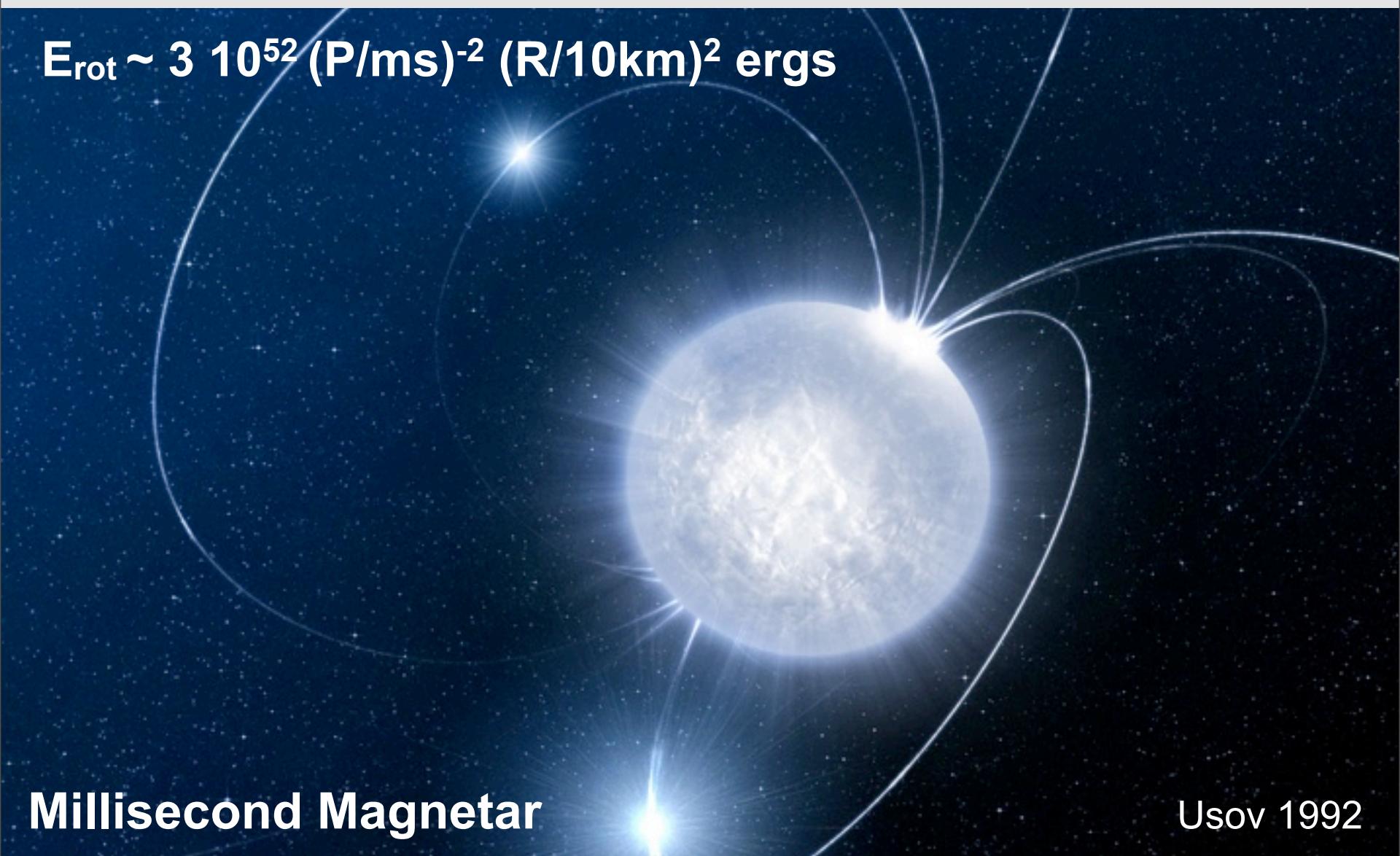


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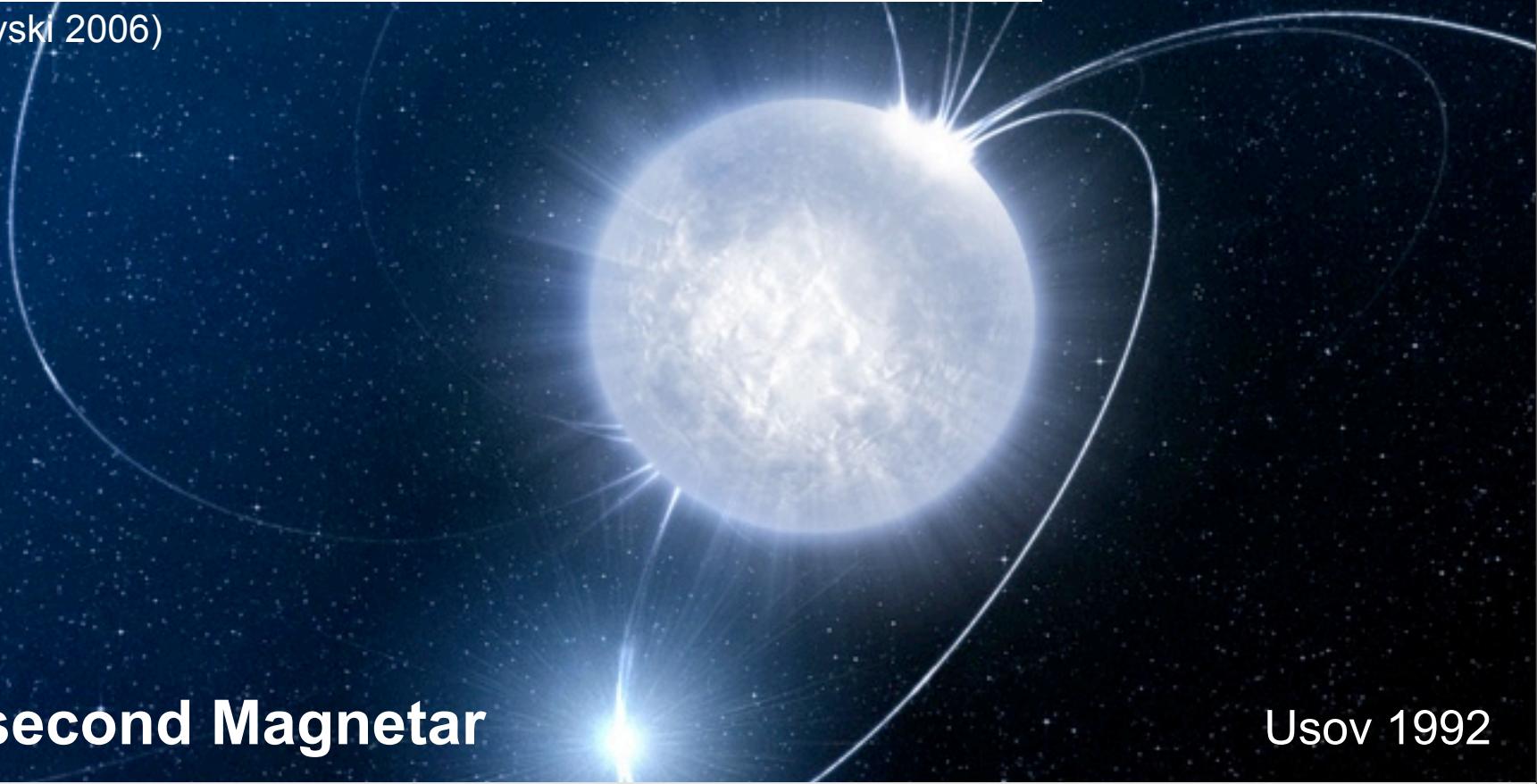
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(Spitkovski 2006)

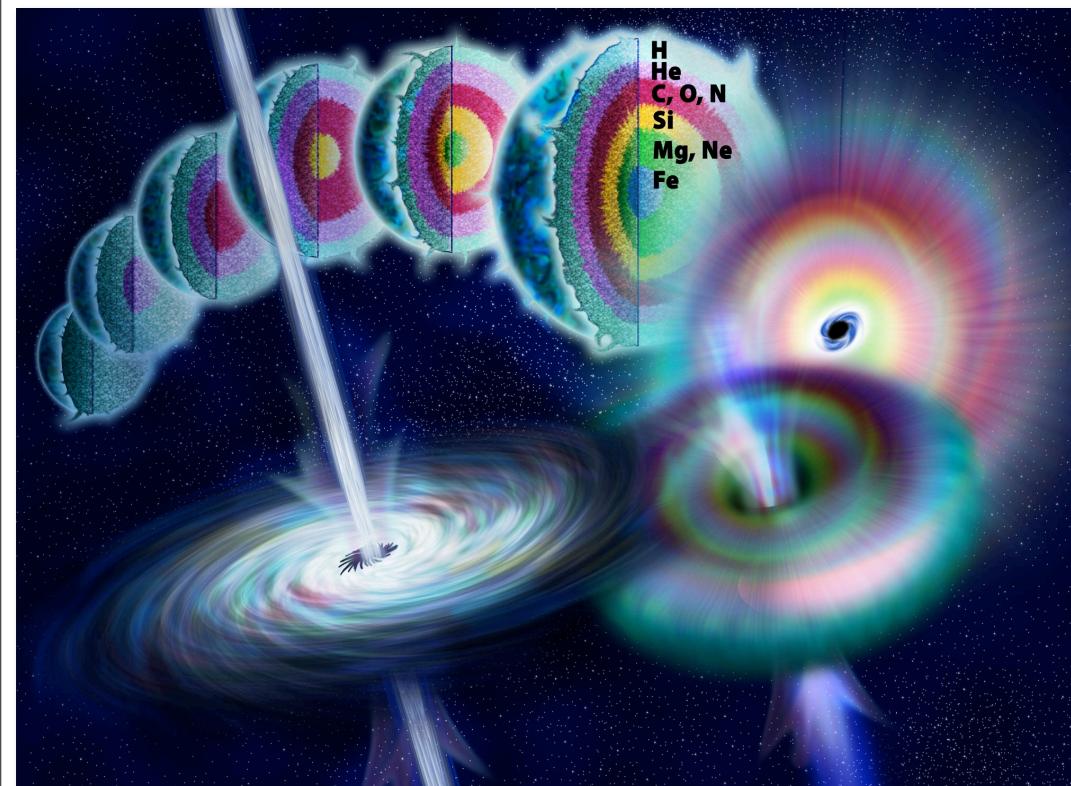


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Recipe to make a long GRB

- Collapsar Scenario (e.g. Paczinski, Woosley, Macfadyen...)
- Magnetar Scenario (e.g. Usov, Thompson, Duncan, Wheeler, Metzger, Bucciantini...)



- Massive core (BH - NS)
- Rapidly rotating core (accretion disk/magnetar)
- Compact size
 $R_* / c \approx \tau_{engine}$

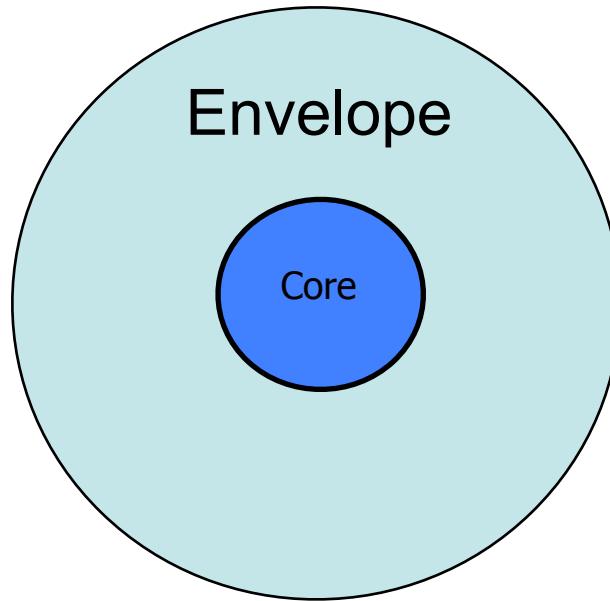
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A possible solution:

Chemically Homogeneous evolution
(Yoon & Langer 2005 - Heger & Woosley 2006)

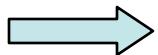
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How to avoid the core-envelope structure?

Rotational “instabilities” can efficiently mix a massive star

If

$$\frac{\tau_{Mix}}{\tau_{MS}} < 1$$



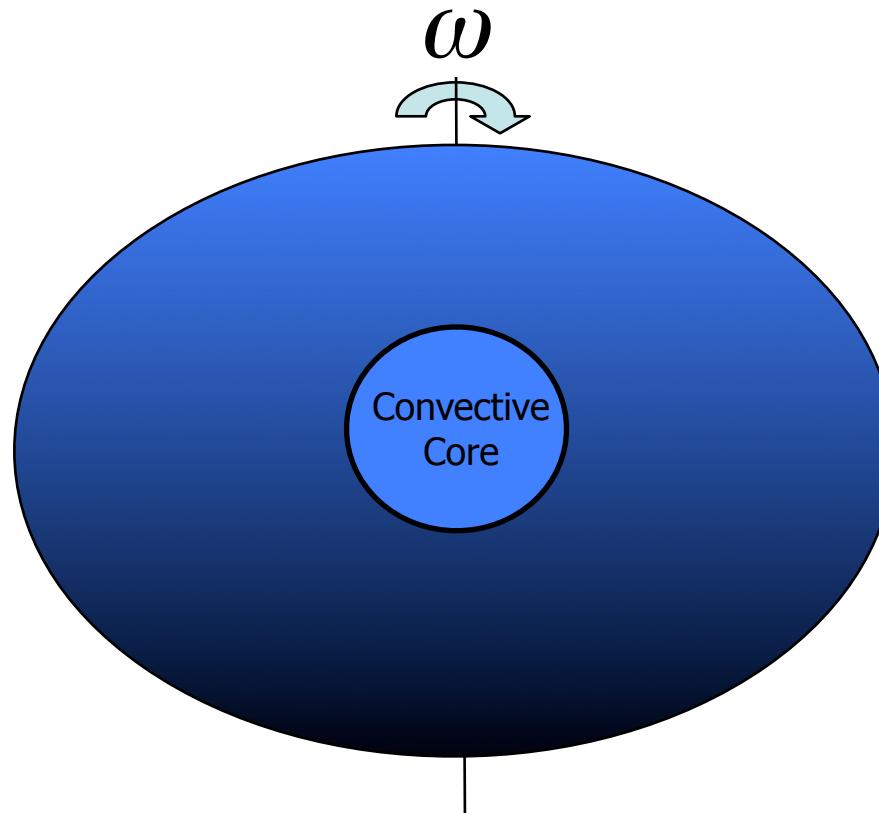
The star can not build a compositional gradient and evolves **quasi chemically homogeneous**

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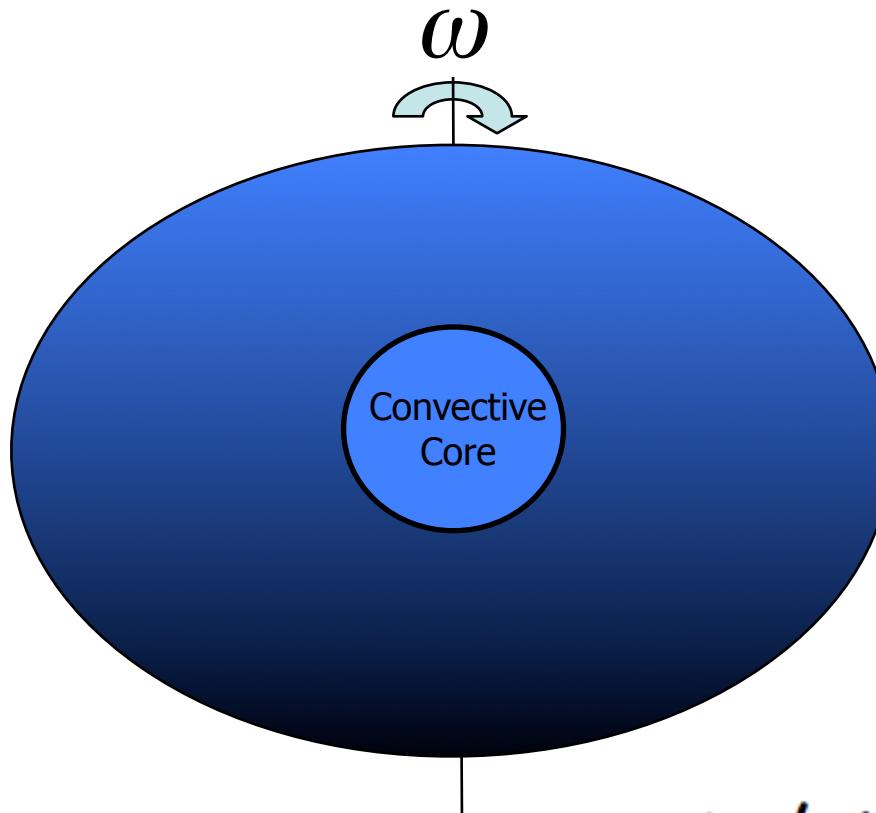
The unstable interiors of rotating stars

- Differential rotation is expected to arise in stars because of hydrostatic **structural evolution, mass loss** and **meridional circulation**. As a consequence, stars are subject to a number of local hydrodynamic instabilities.
- These instabilities arise and cause diffusion of angular momentum (and chemicals) while they try to bring the star back to solid body rotation, its lowest energy state.

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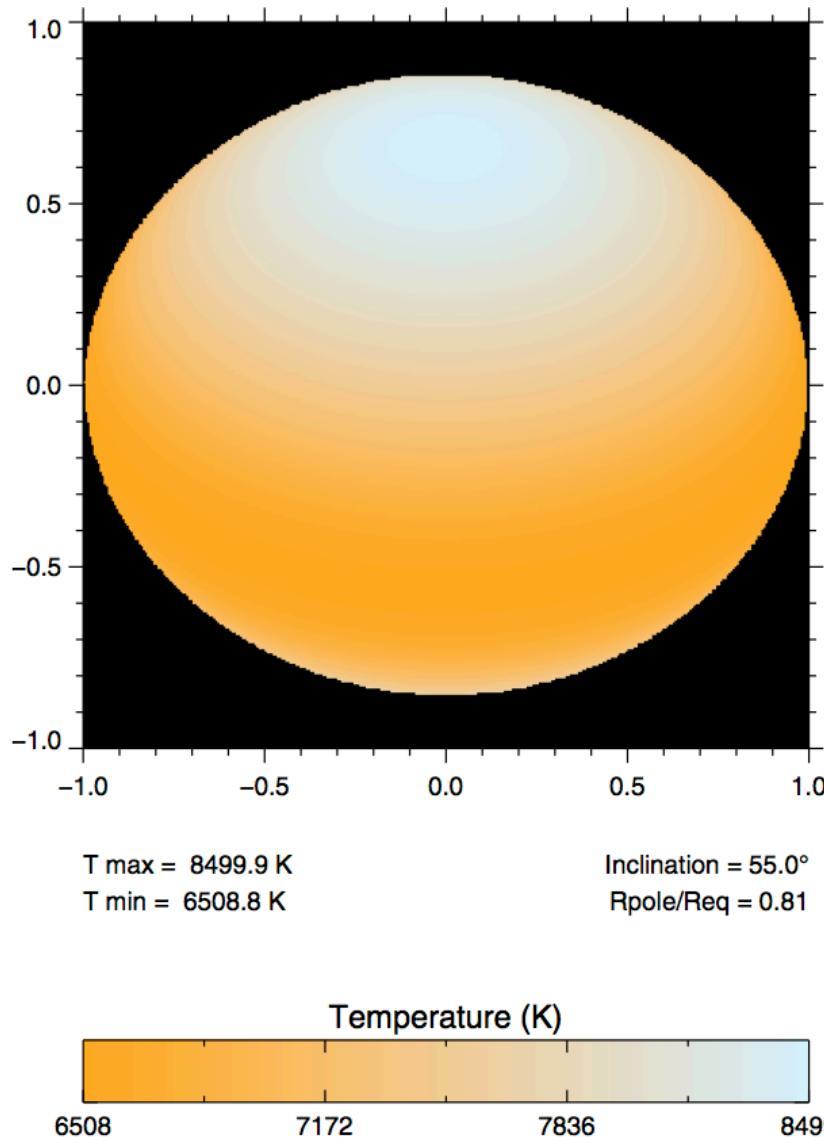


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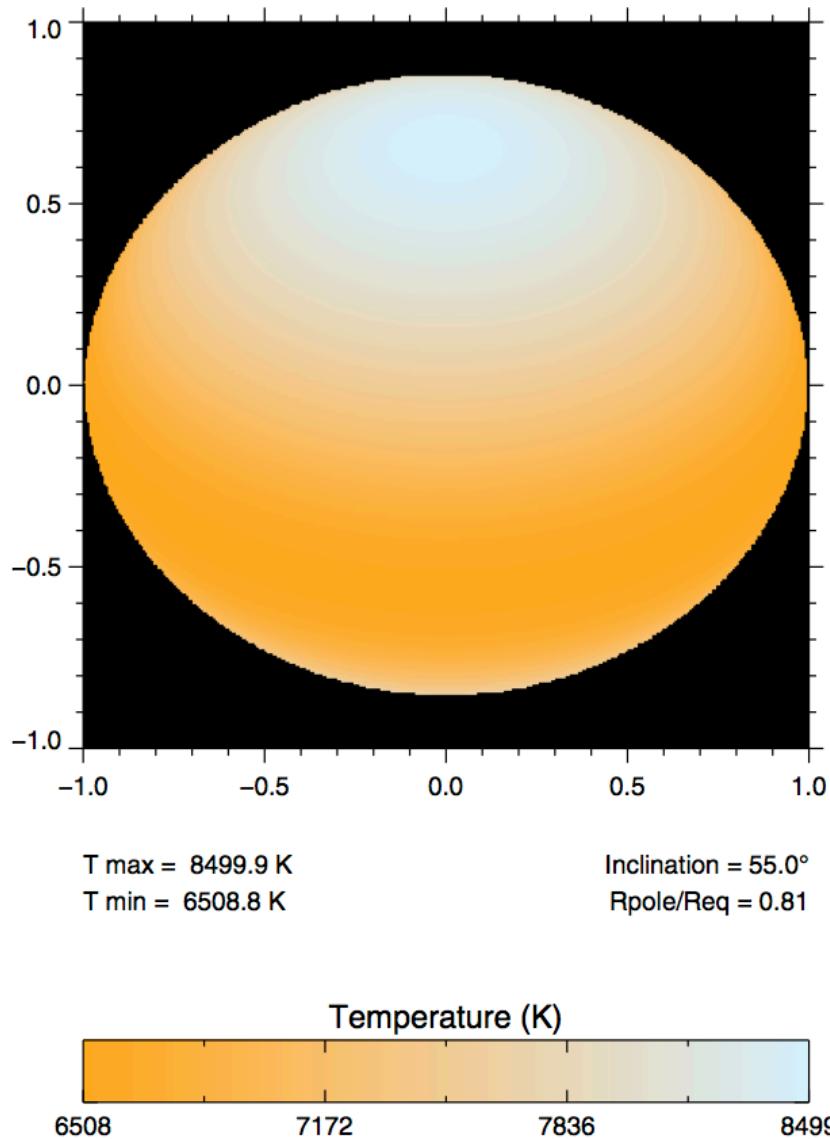


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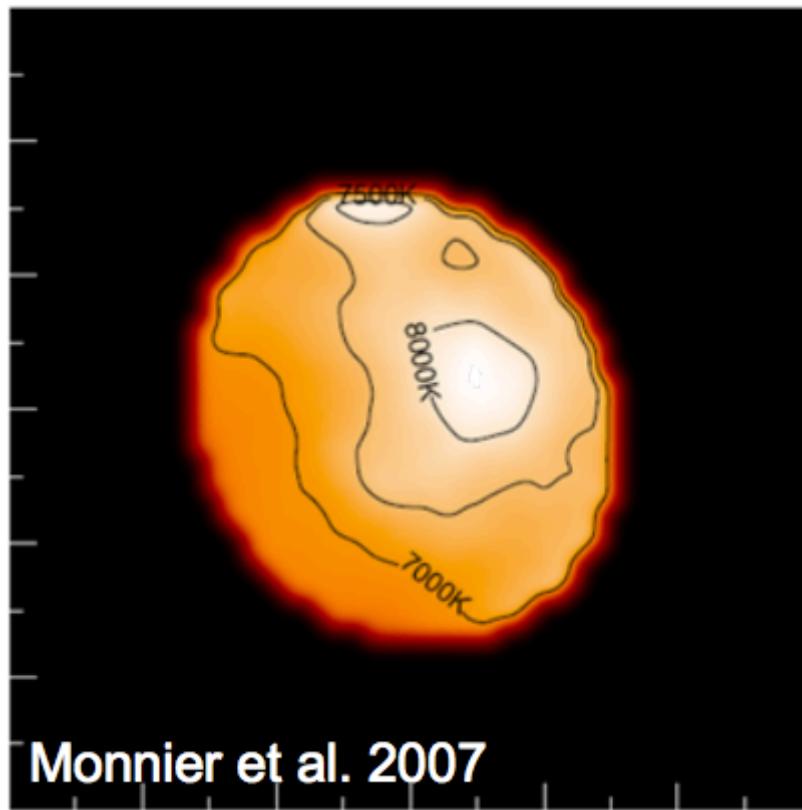
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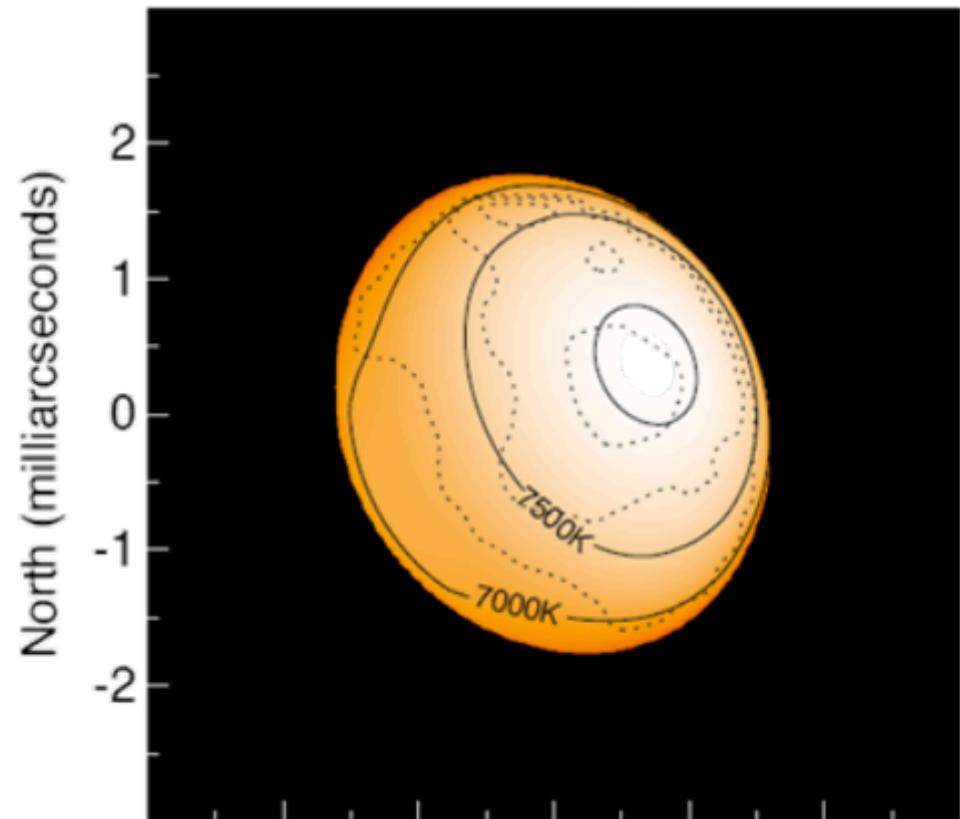
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Altair Image Reconstruction

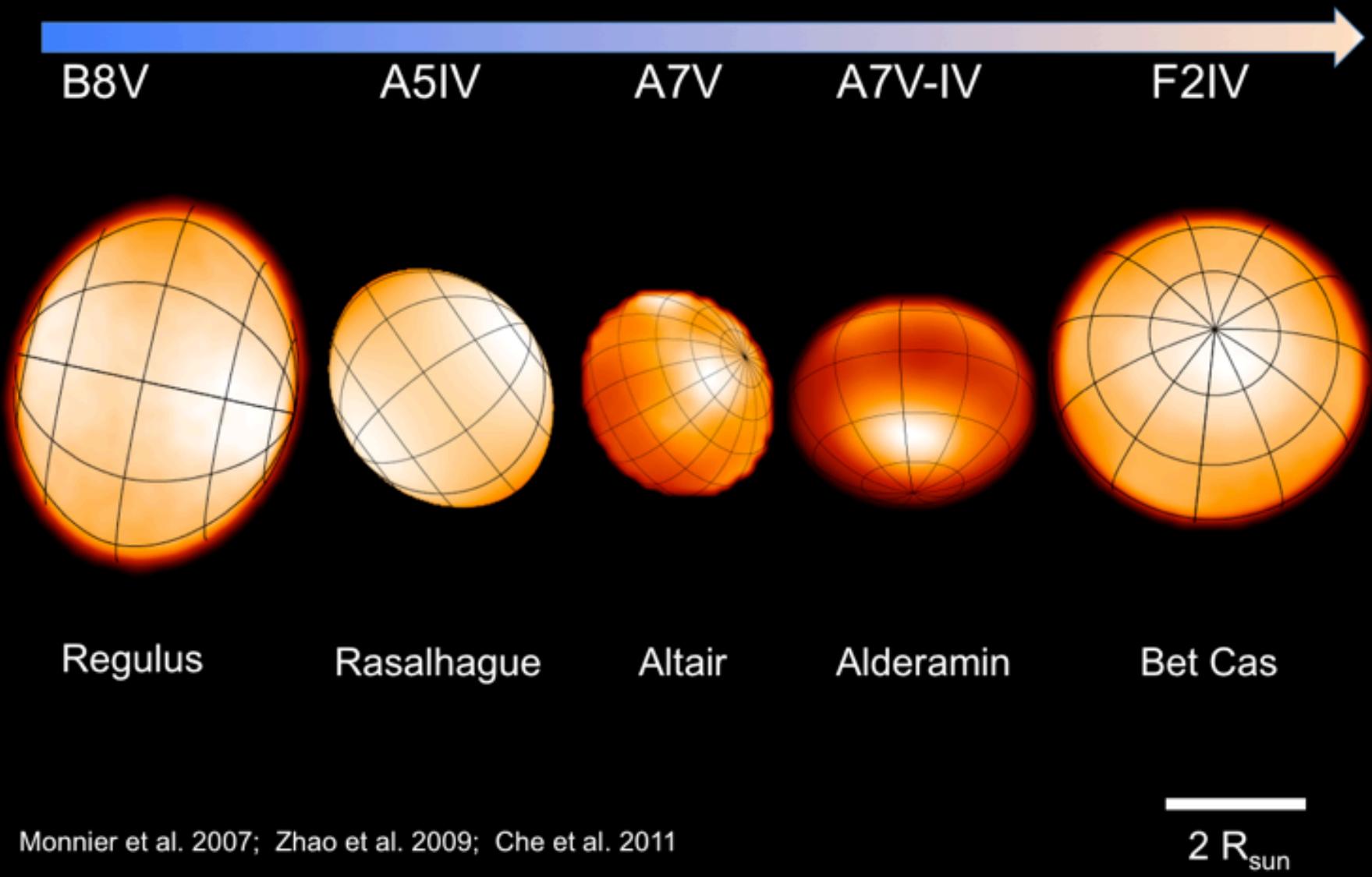


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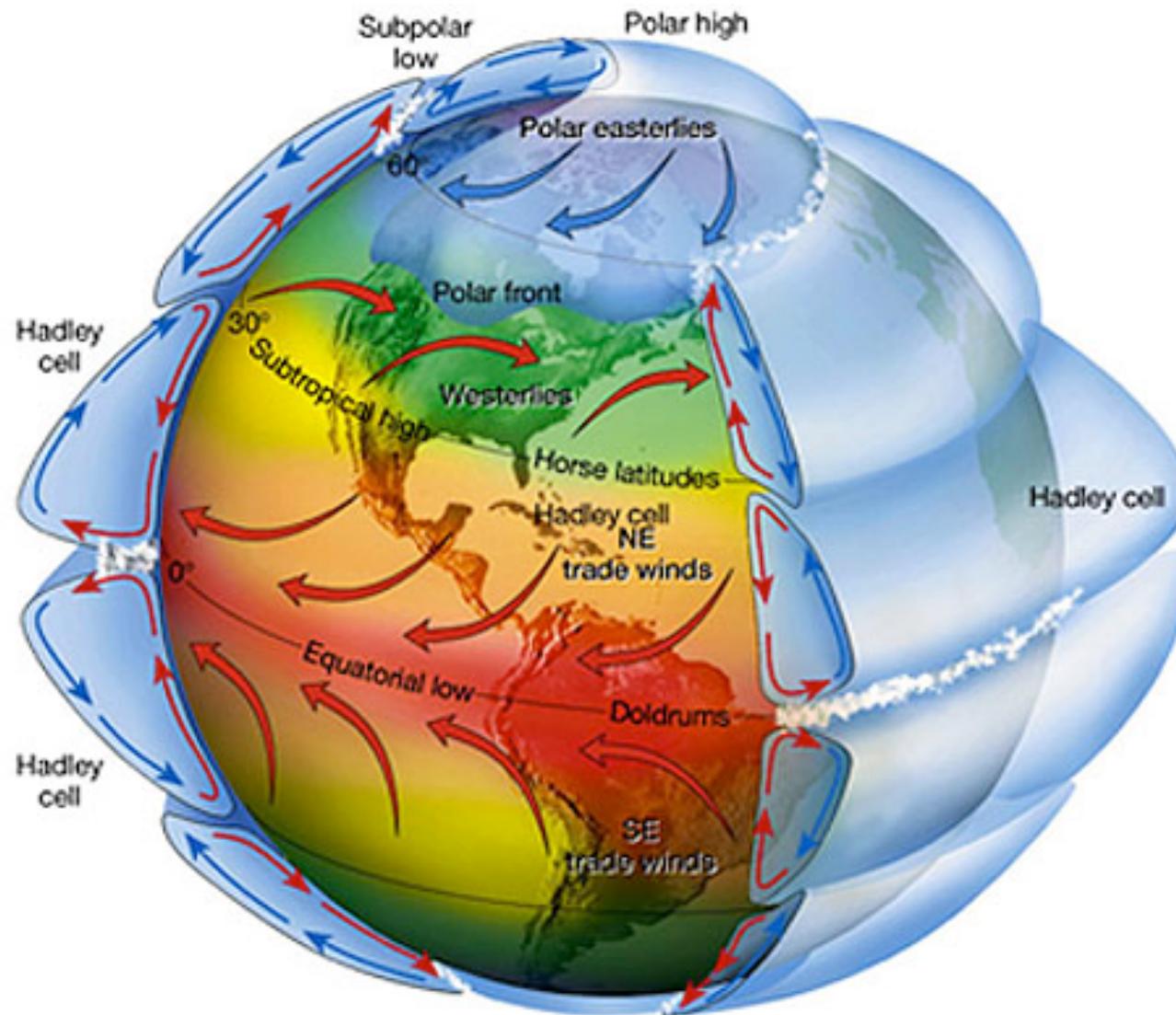
Altair Model ($\beta=0.19$)



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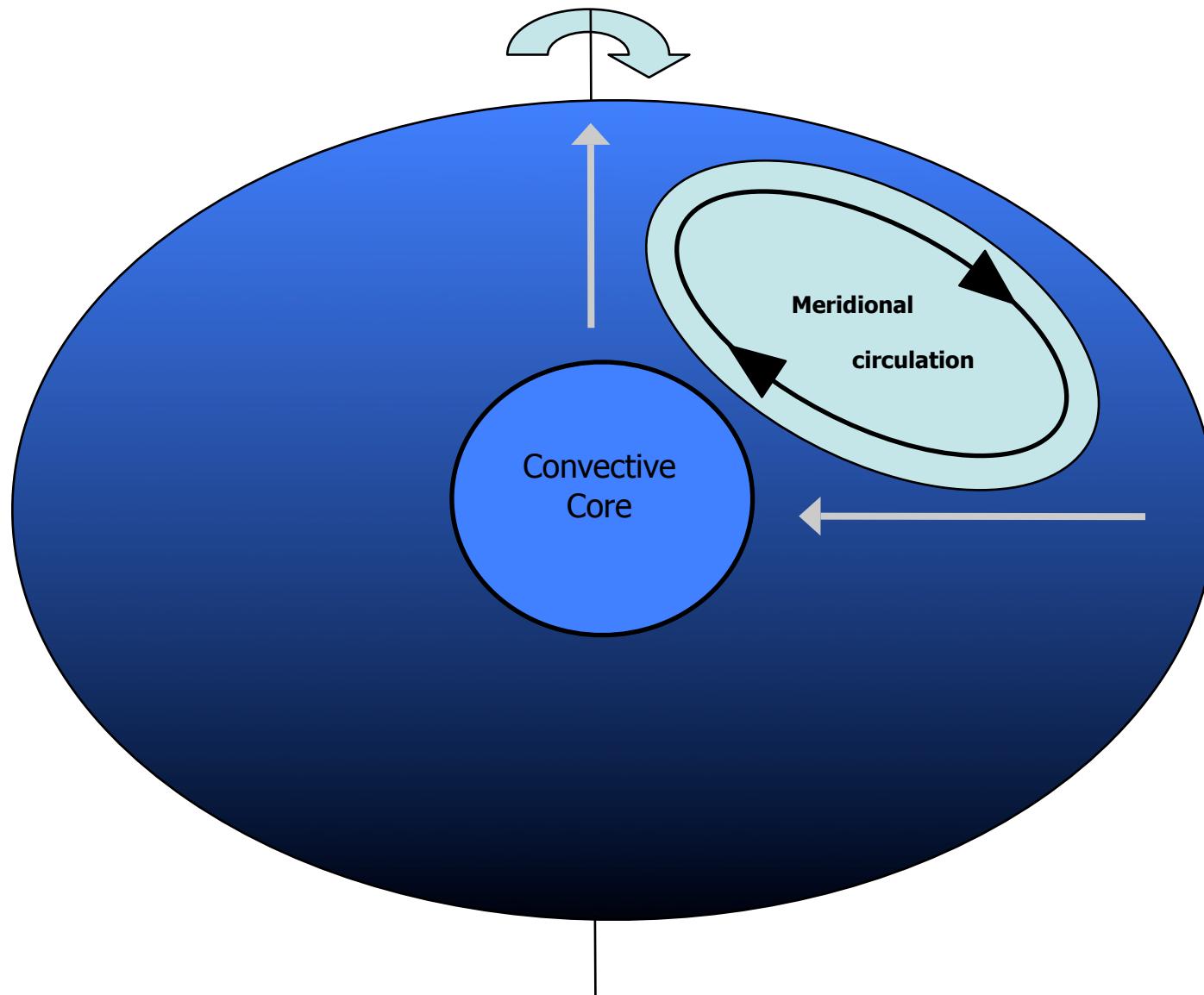


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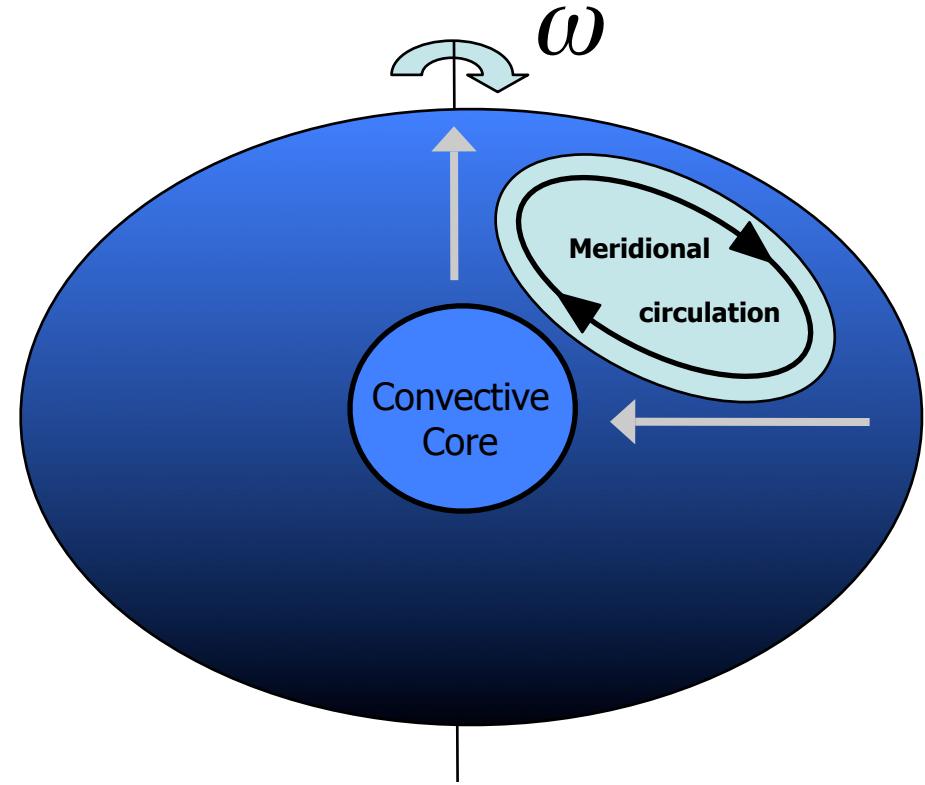
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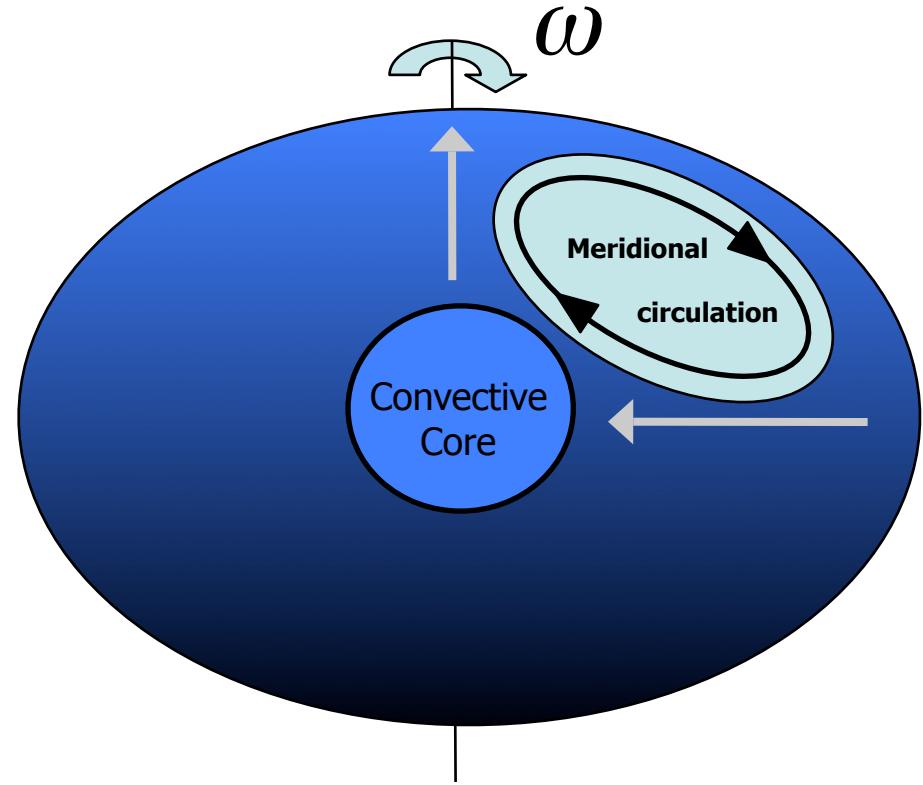
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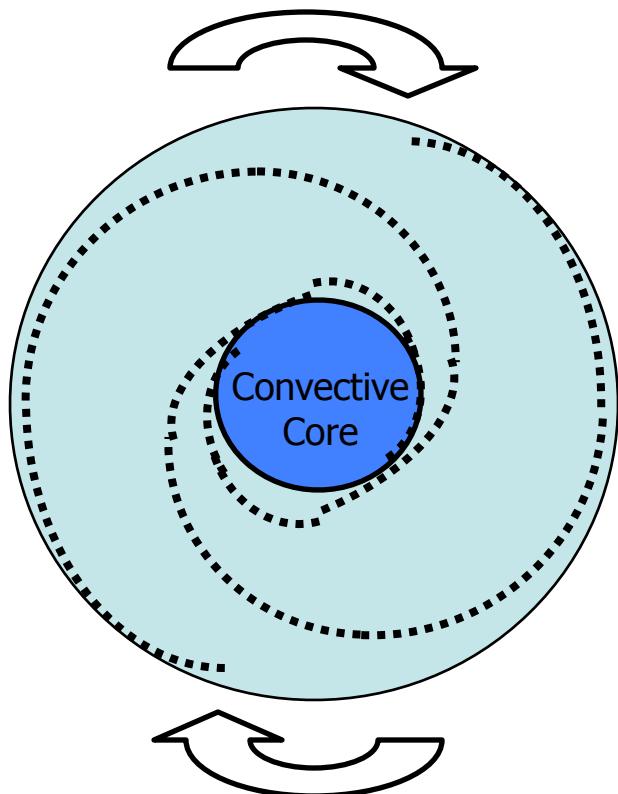
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$$\tau_{ES} \propto \tau_{KH} \left(\frac{\omega_K}{\omega} \right)^2$$



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- Core - Envelope coupling



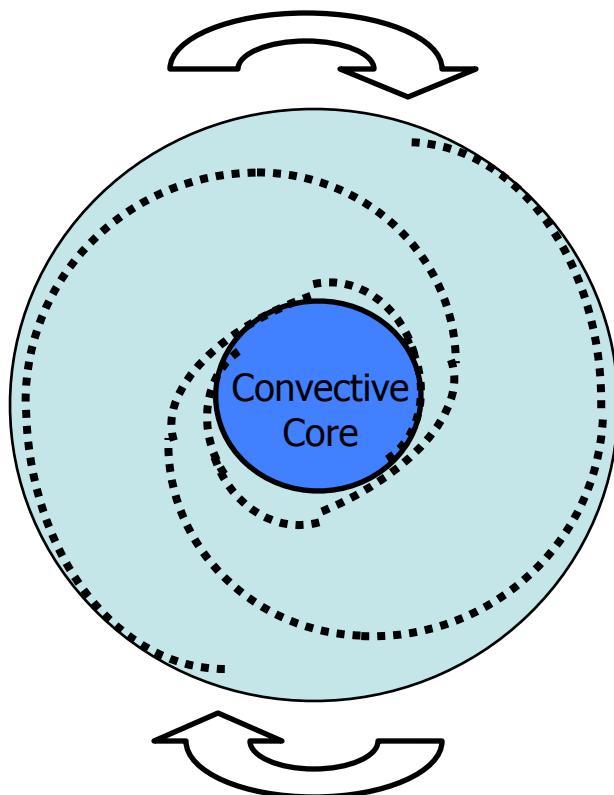
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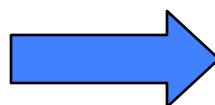
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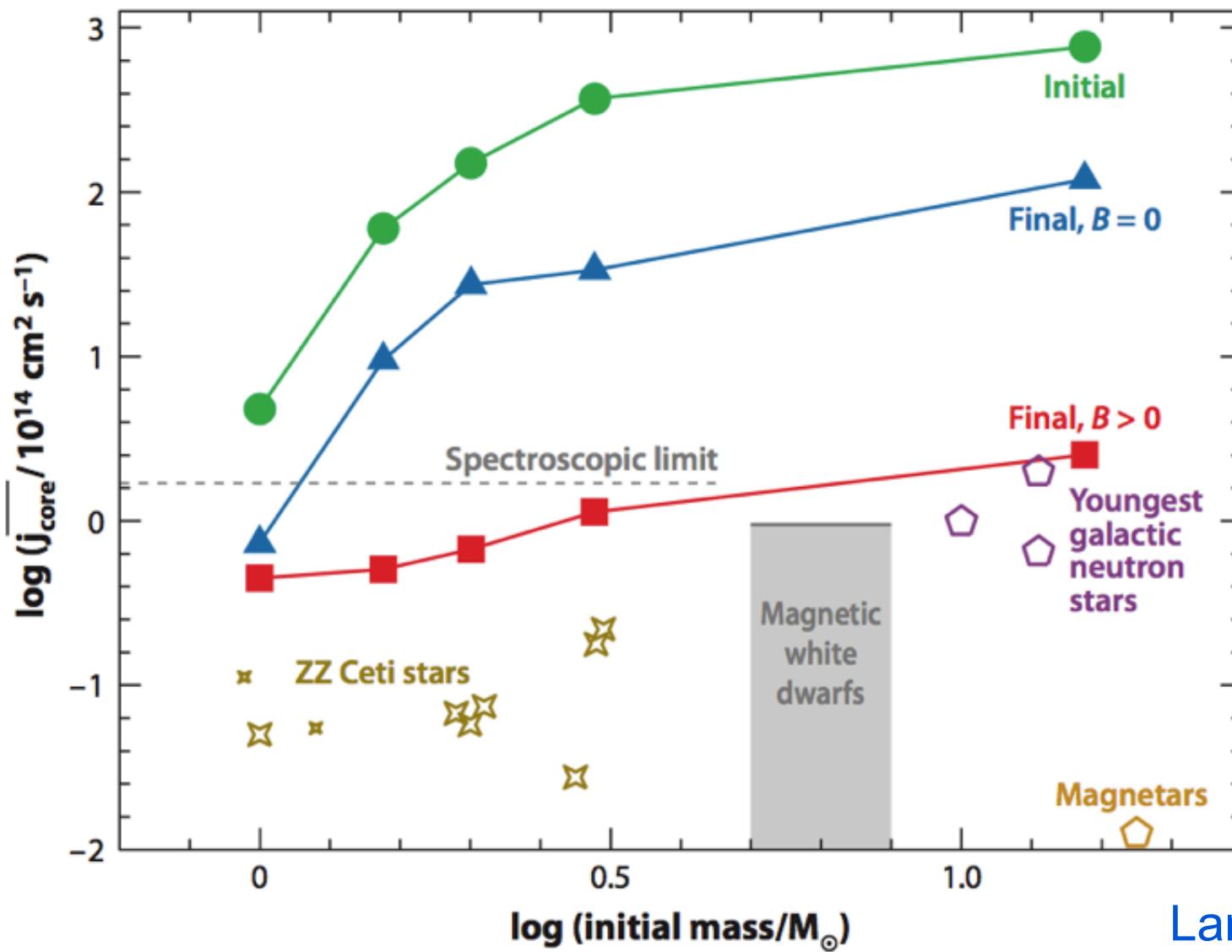


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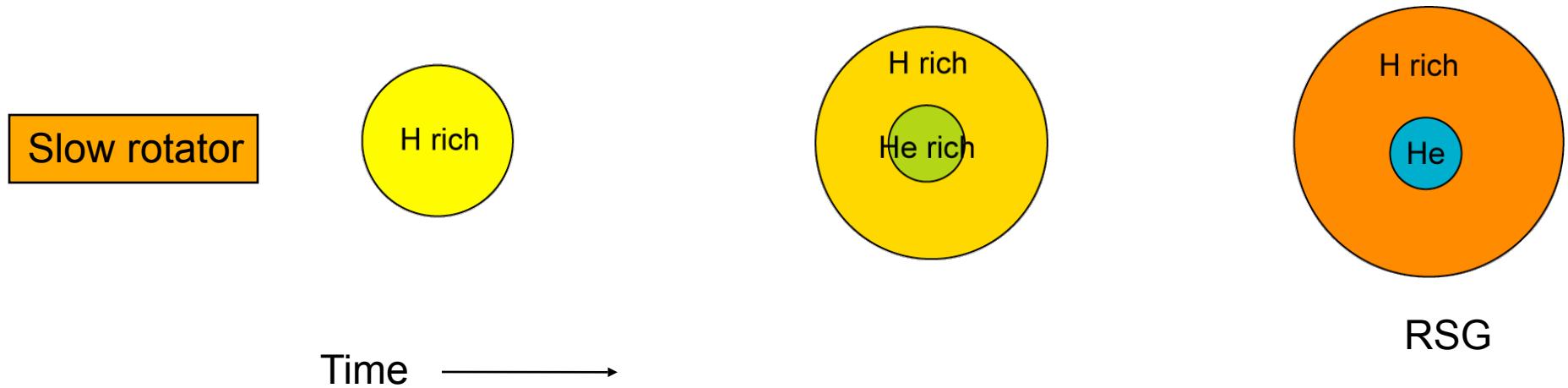
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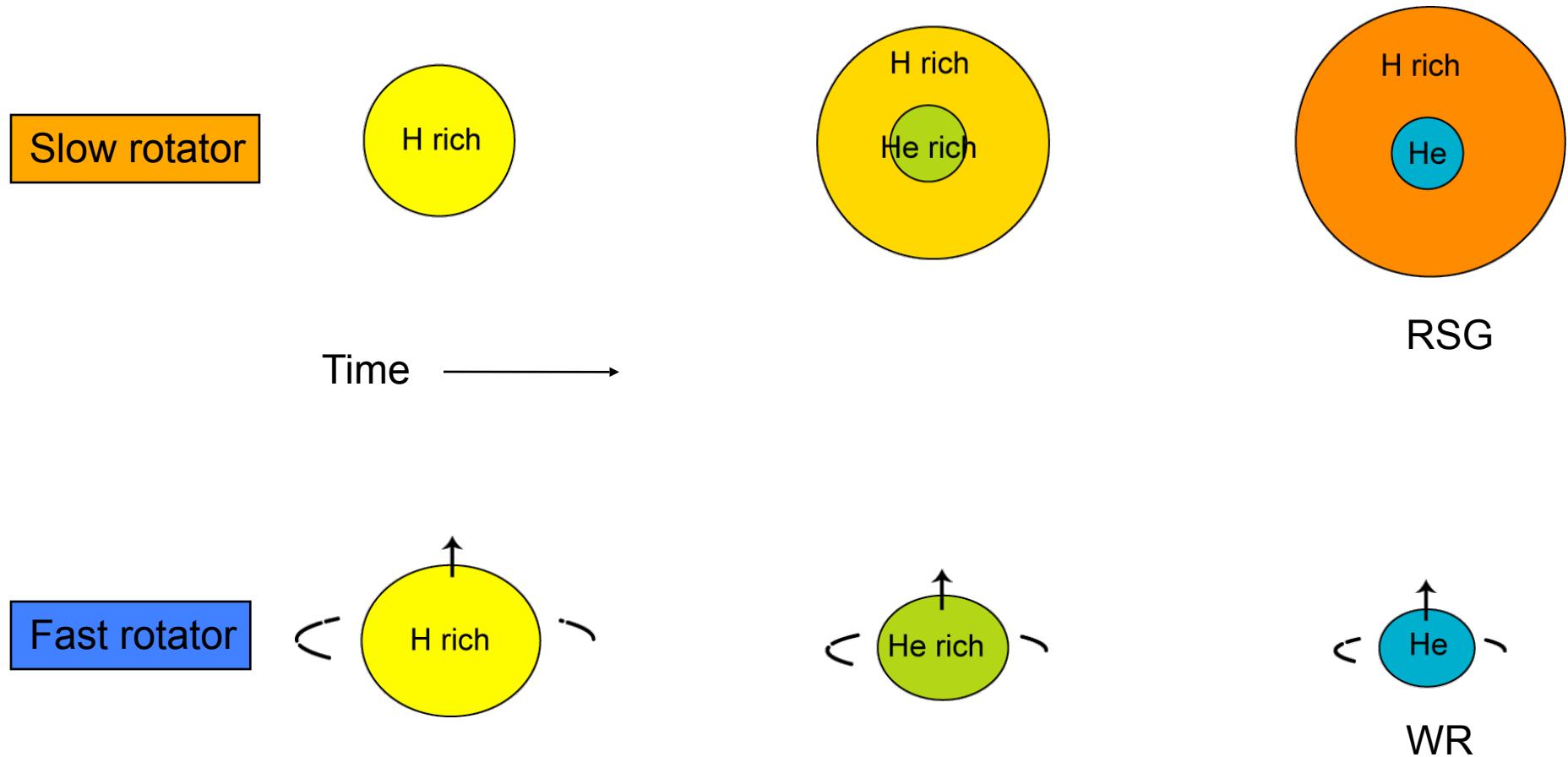


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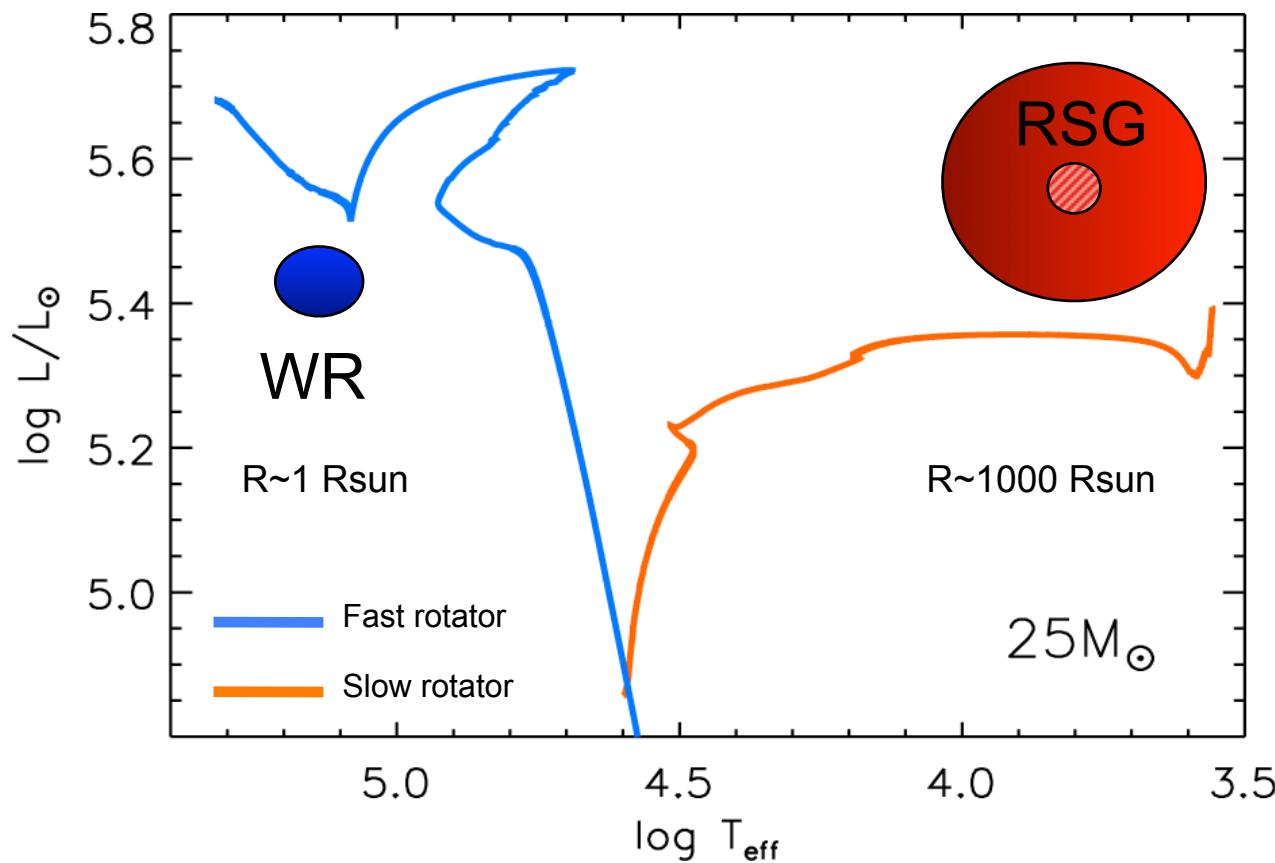
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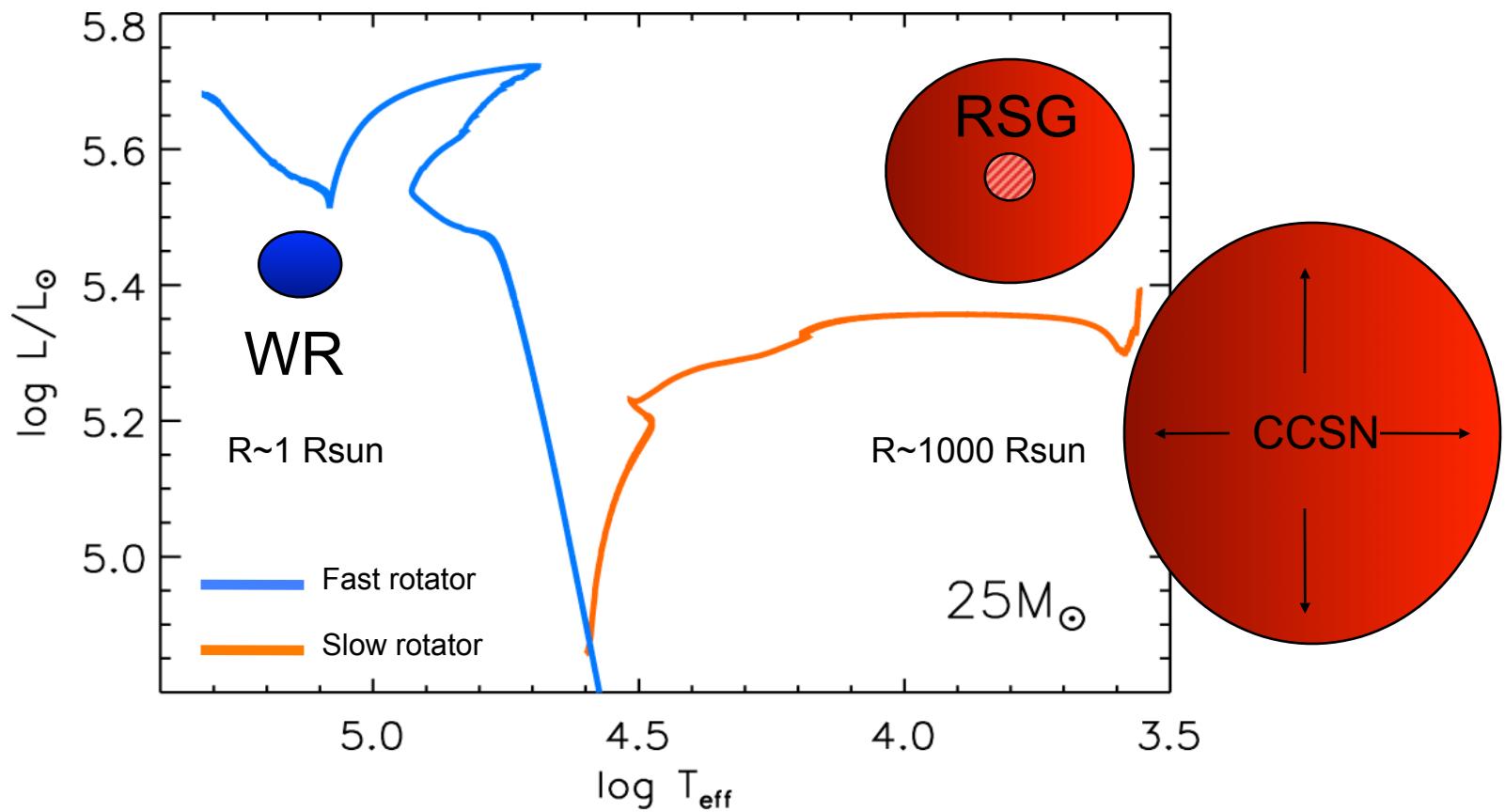
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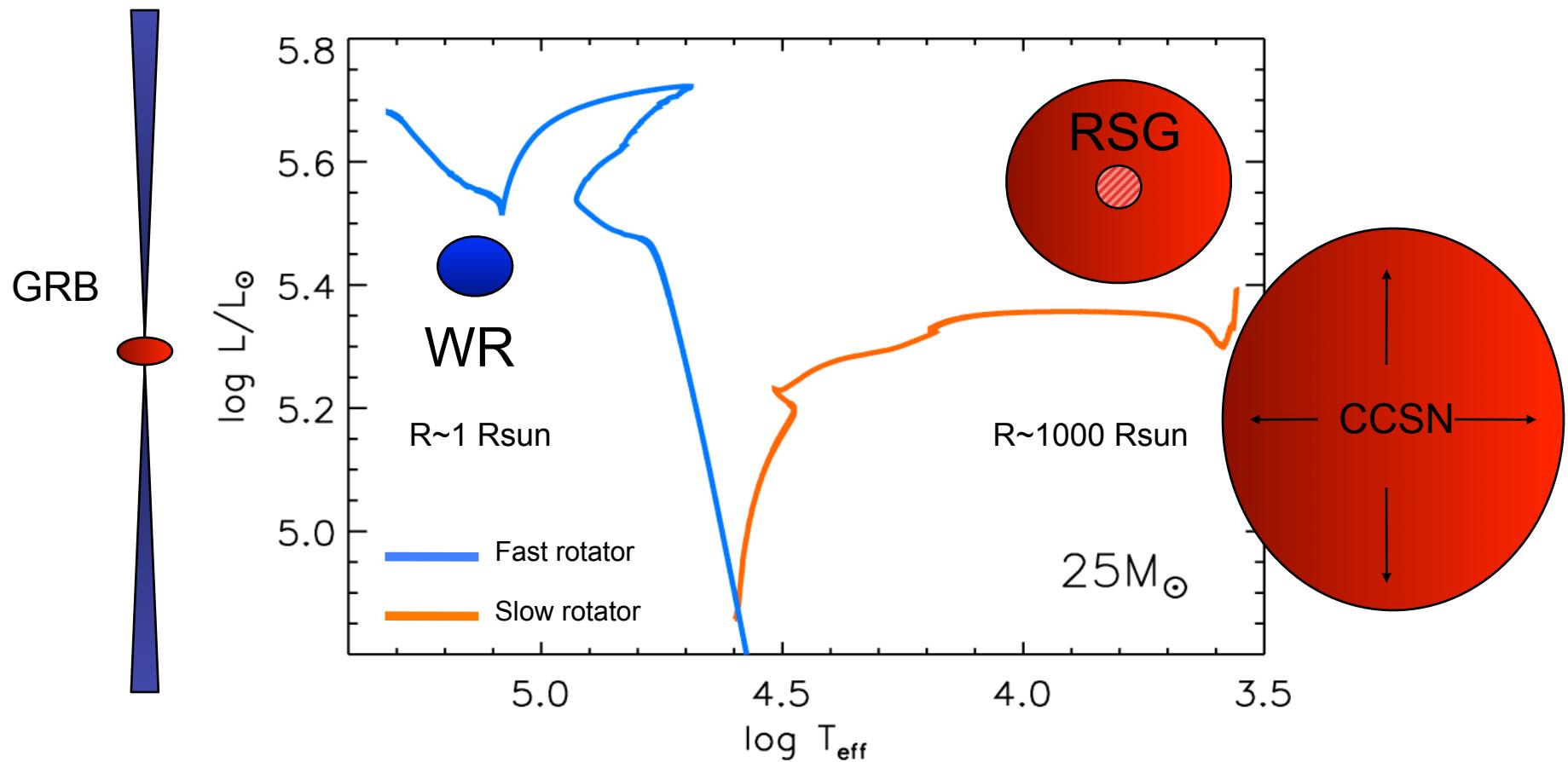
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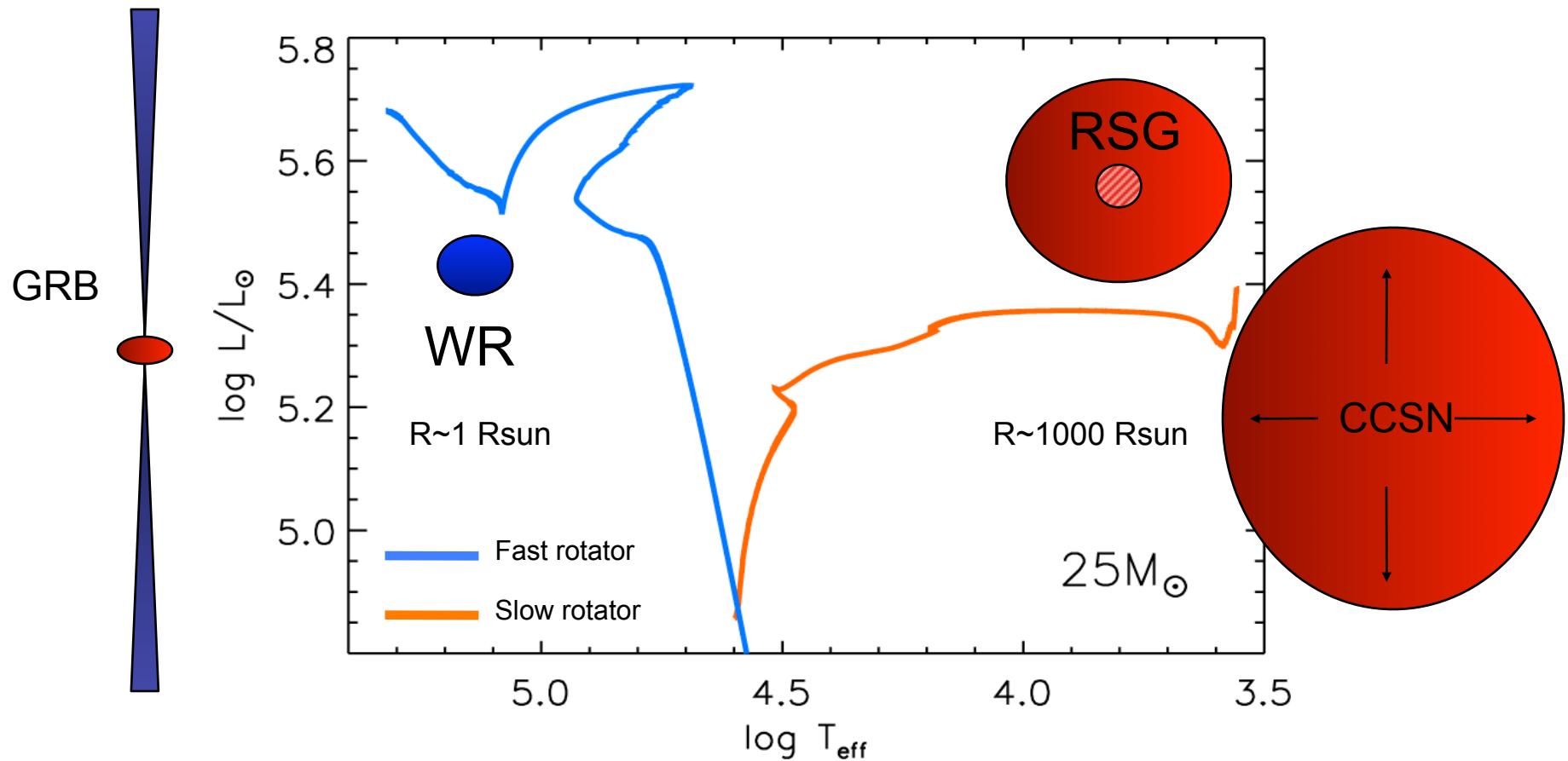
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- Fast rotating massive stars can evolve chemically homogeneous
- If mass loss is not too high (**Low Z**) -> Long GRB

Any candidates for this evolutionary scenario?

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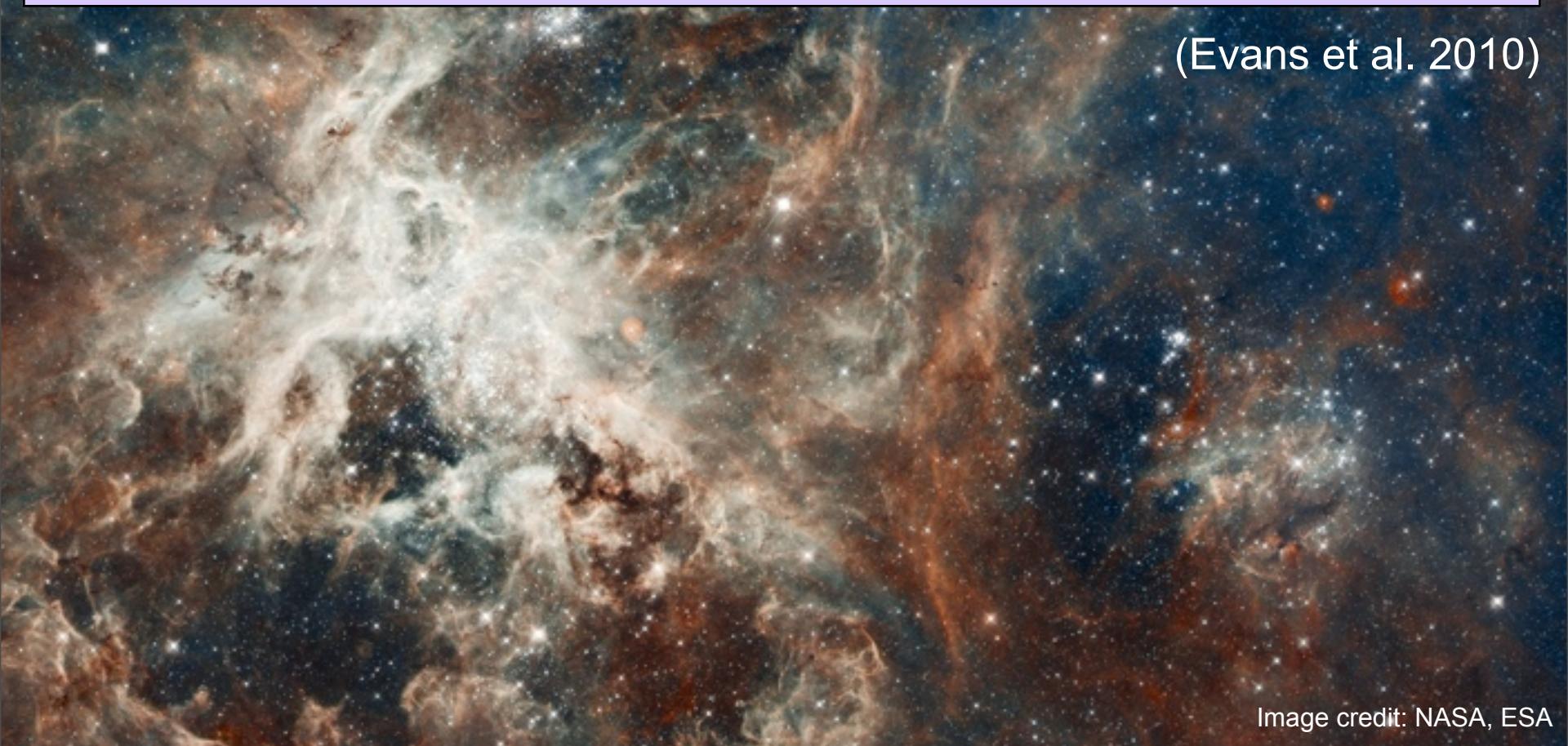


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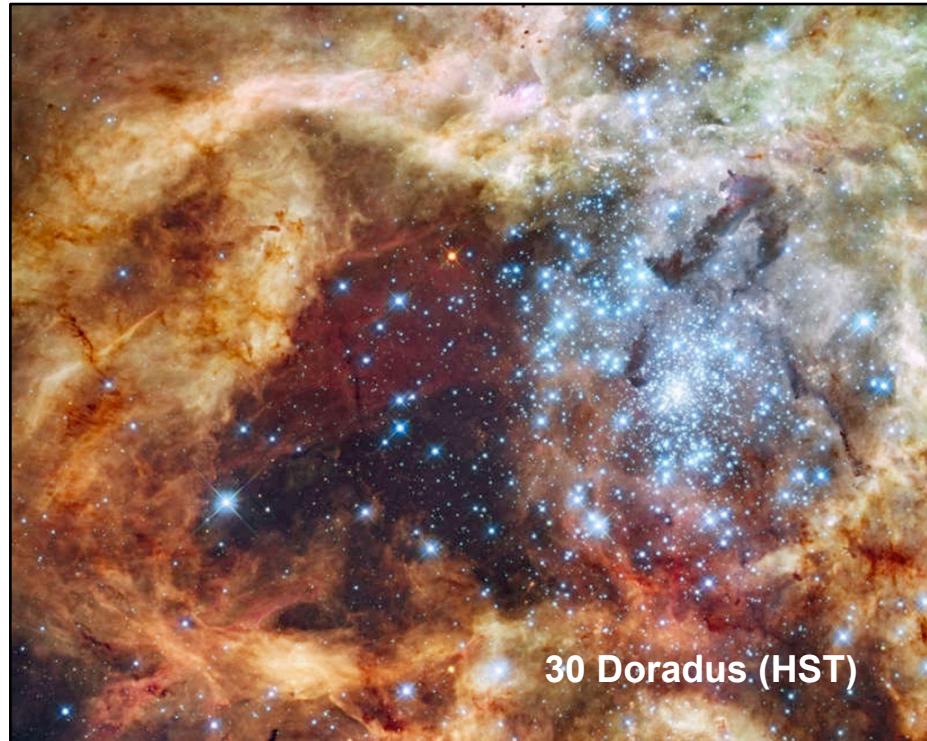
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- Nitrogen surface abundances
- Rotational velocities
- Binary fraction

- A statistically significant sample of the most massive stars
(see e.g. Crowther et al. 2010)



VLT-Flames Tarantula Survey: A Chemically Homogeneous Star

VFTS 682

H-rich WR Star (WN5h)

~30 pc away from R136

in the LMC (Tarantula Nebula)

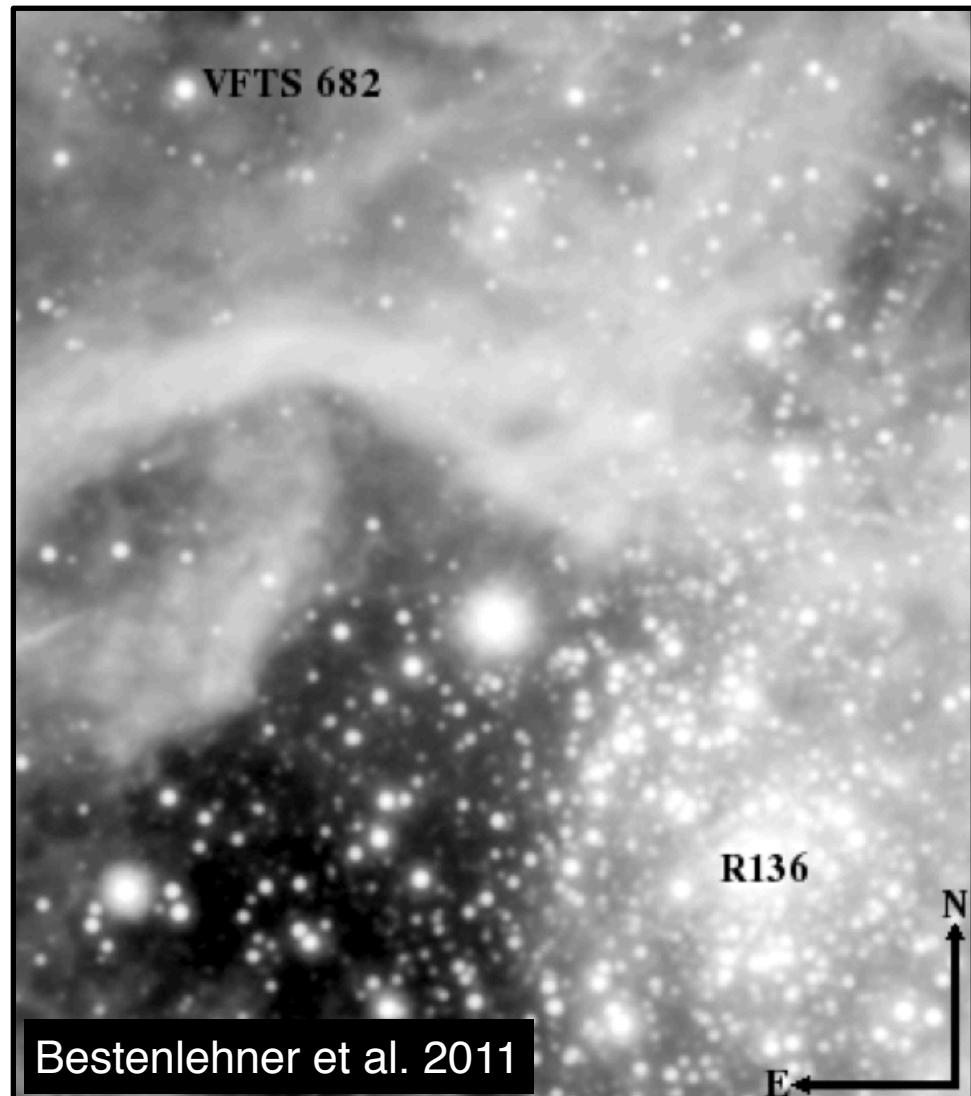
$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 53\text{kK}$

$\log(L/L_{\text{sun}}) \sim 6.5$

Can be explained with a
chemically homogeneous
 $M_{\text{ini}} \sim [120-210] M_{\text{sun}}$ star

Requires initial rotation
 $V_{\text{eq}} > 200 \text{ km/s}$

See Martins et al. 2009 for other 2 CH candidates



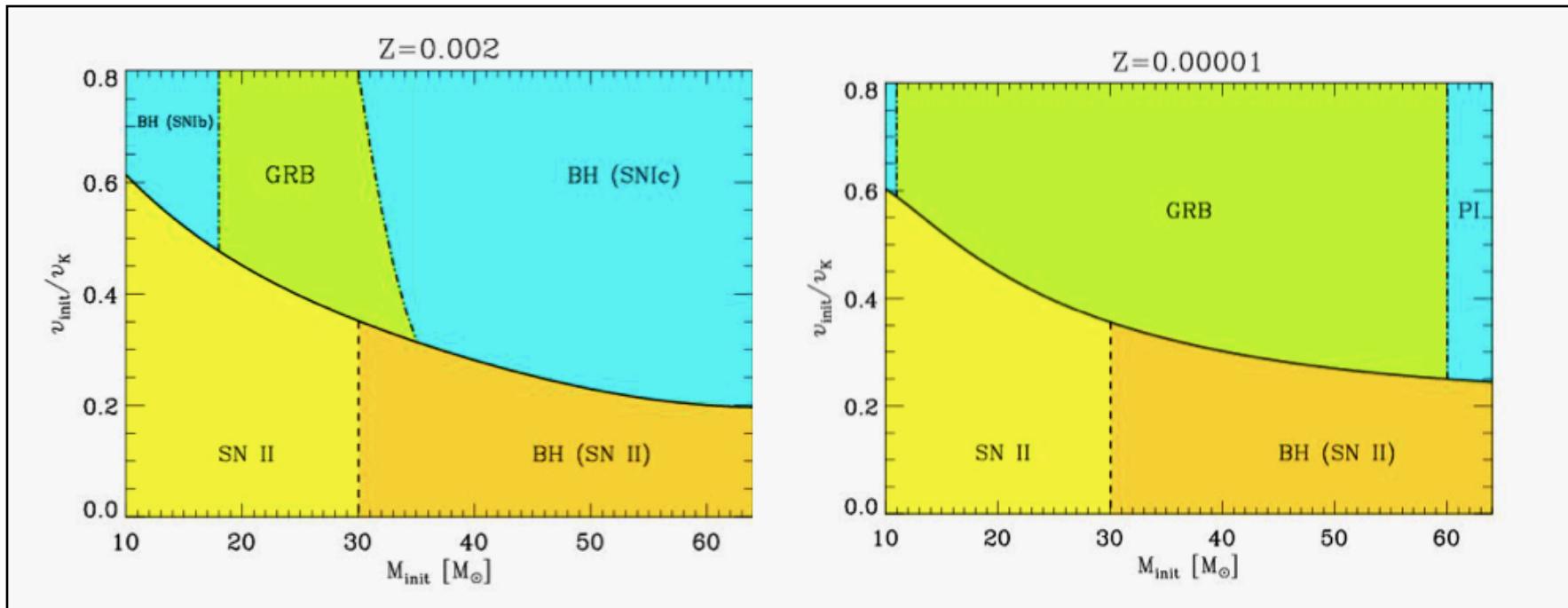
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(Yoon, Langer & Norman, 2006)

- Long GRBs prefer low metallicity (i.e. weaker winds) $Z \leq \sim 1/5 Z_{\text{Sun}}$ (**SMC**)
- This **metallicity threshold** is sensitive to mass-loss efficiency

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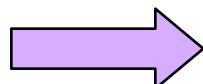
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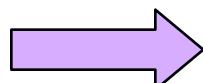
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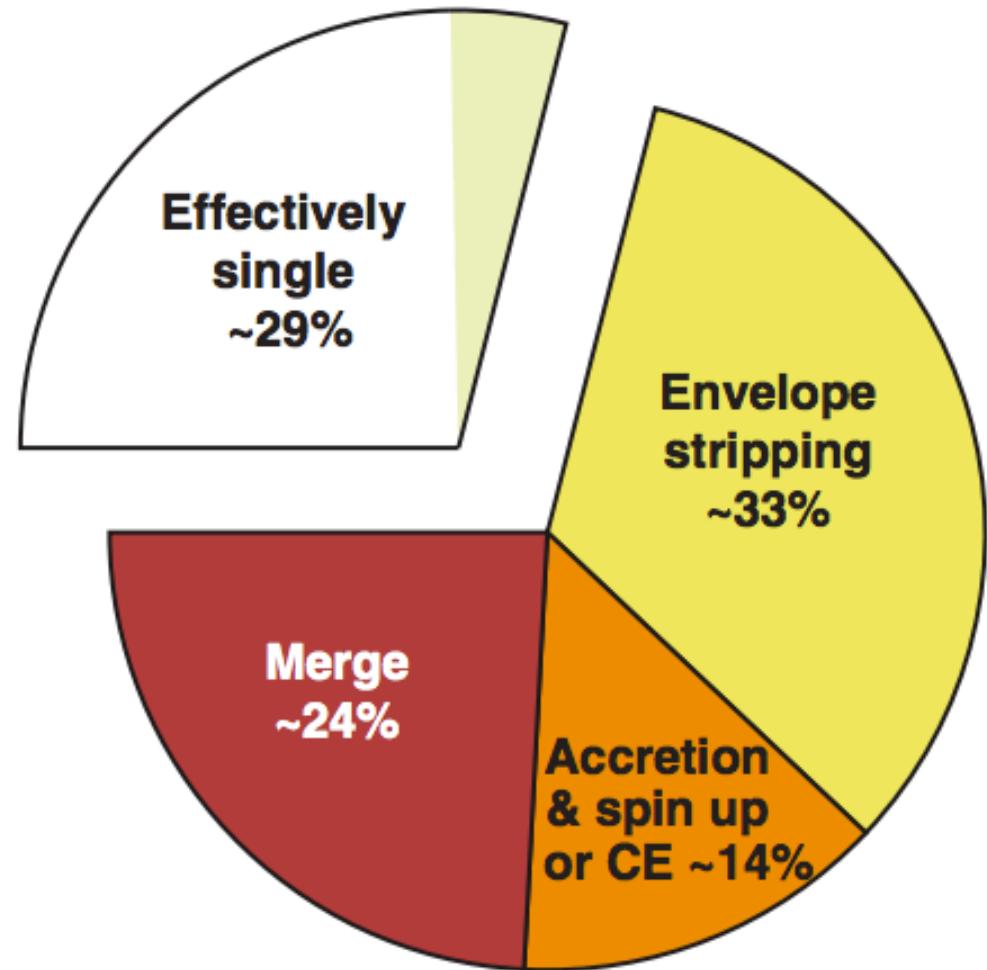


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Other binary progenitor models of long GRB
(e.g.: Tidal spin up, Binary Mergers, Explosive Common-Envelope Ejection)

Binary interactions are the norm

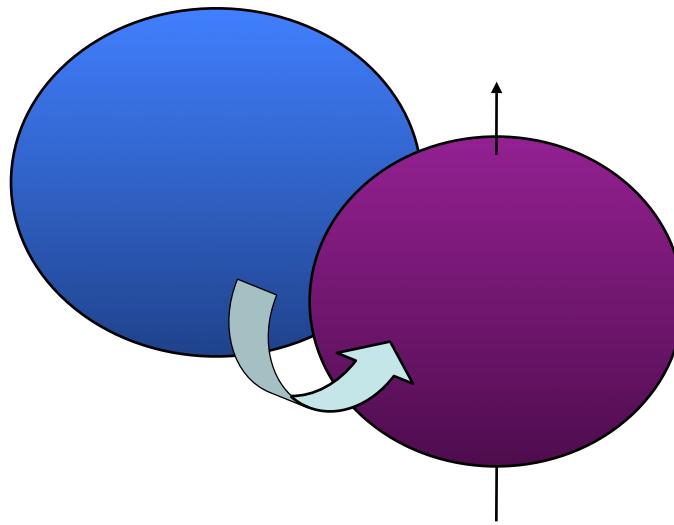
“71% of all stars born as O-type interact with a companion, over half of which do so before leaving the main sequence”



Sana et al. 2012 (Science)

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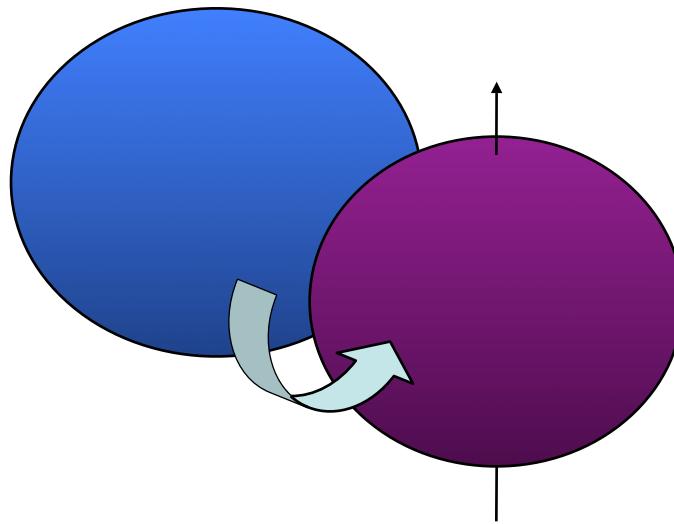
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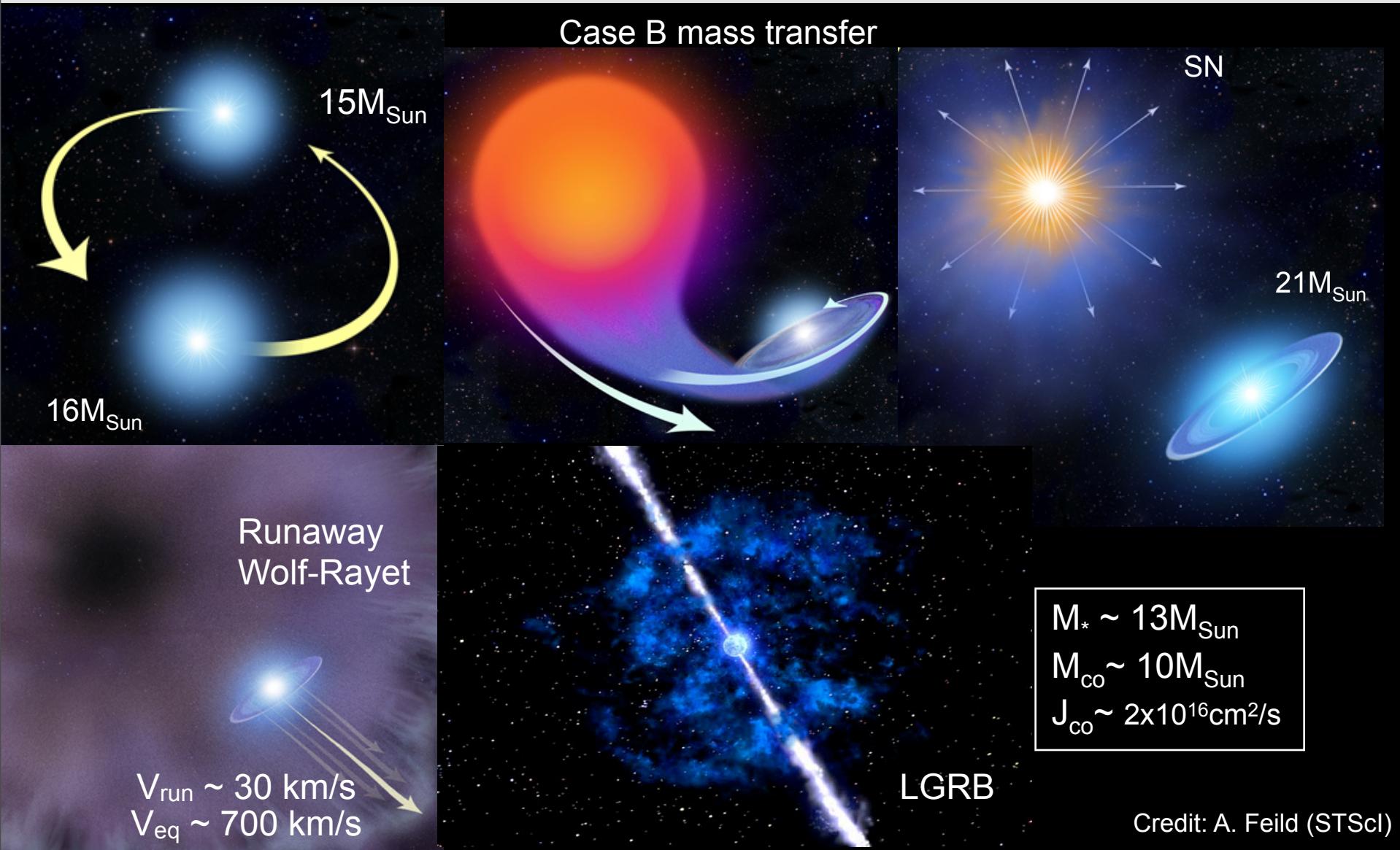
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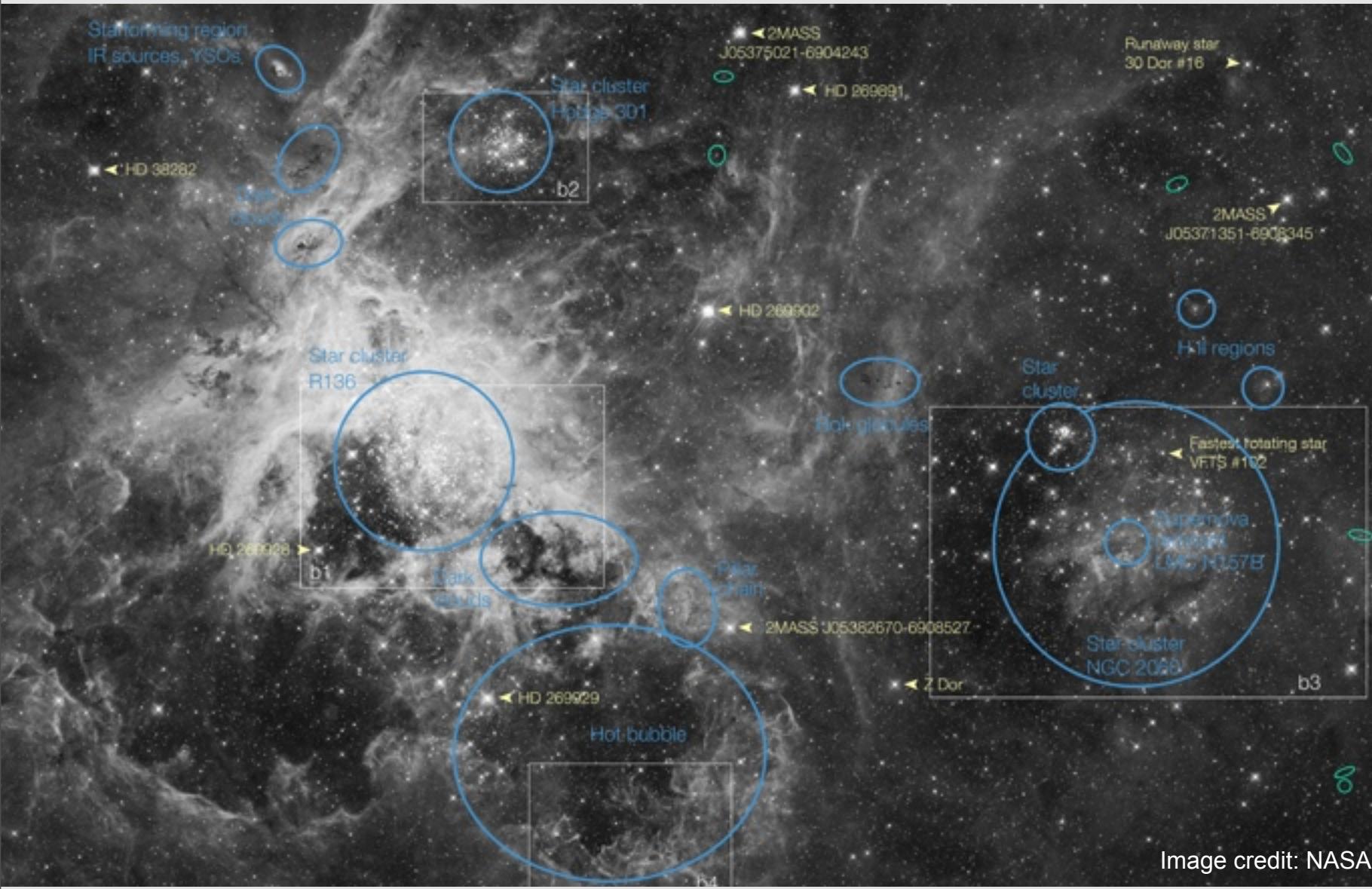
- A merger is also a possible way to obtain a single, fast rotating massive star
(e.g. Fryer et al., Podsiadlowski et al.)

Spin up by accretion

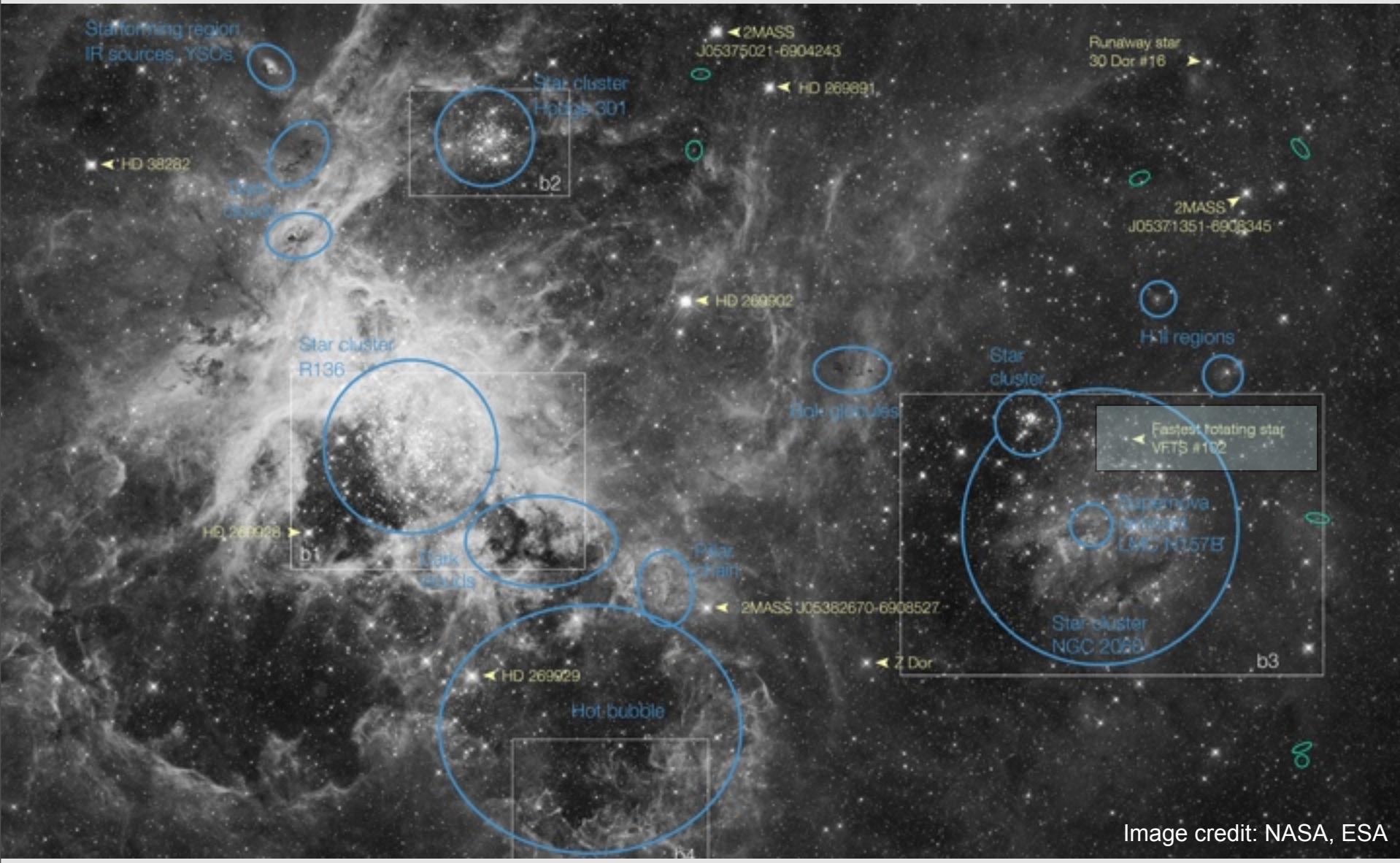


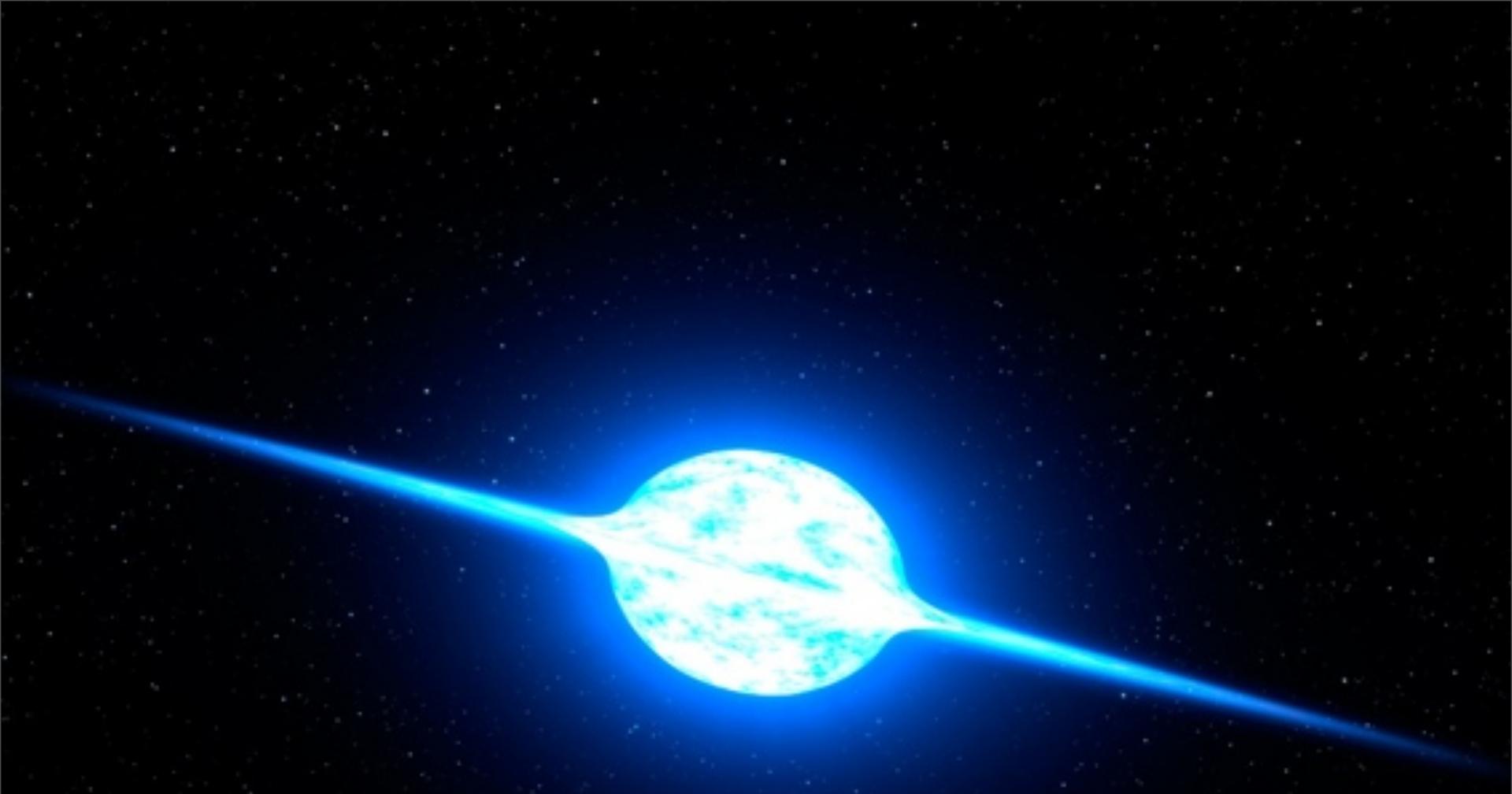
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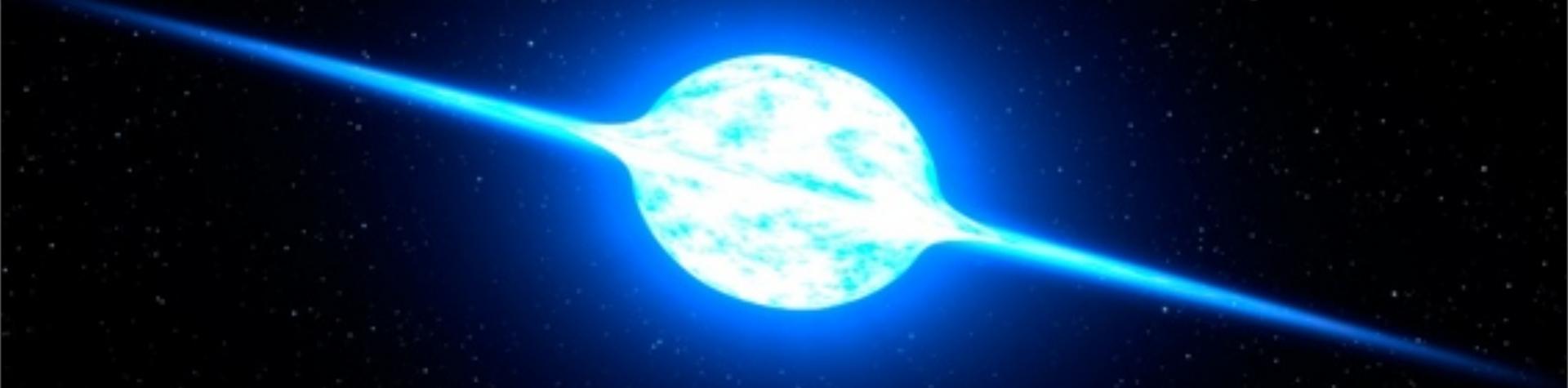


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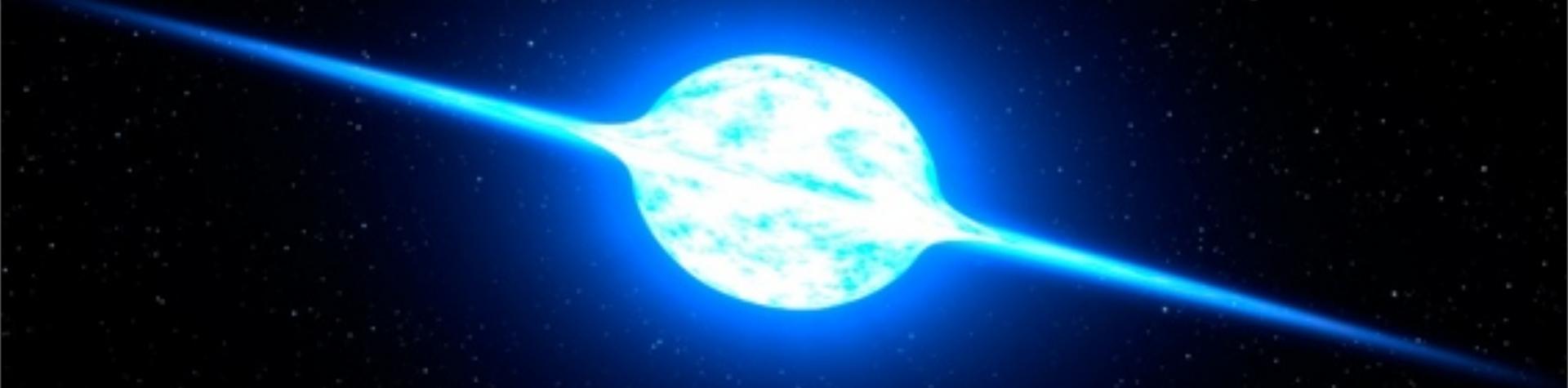


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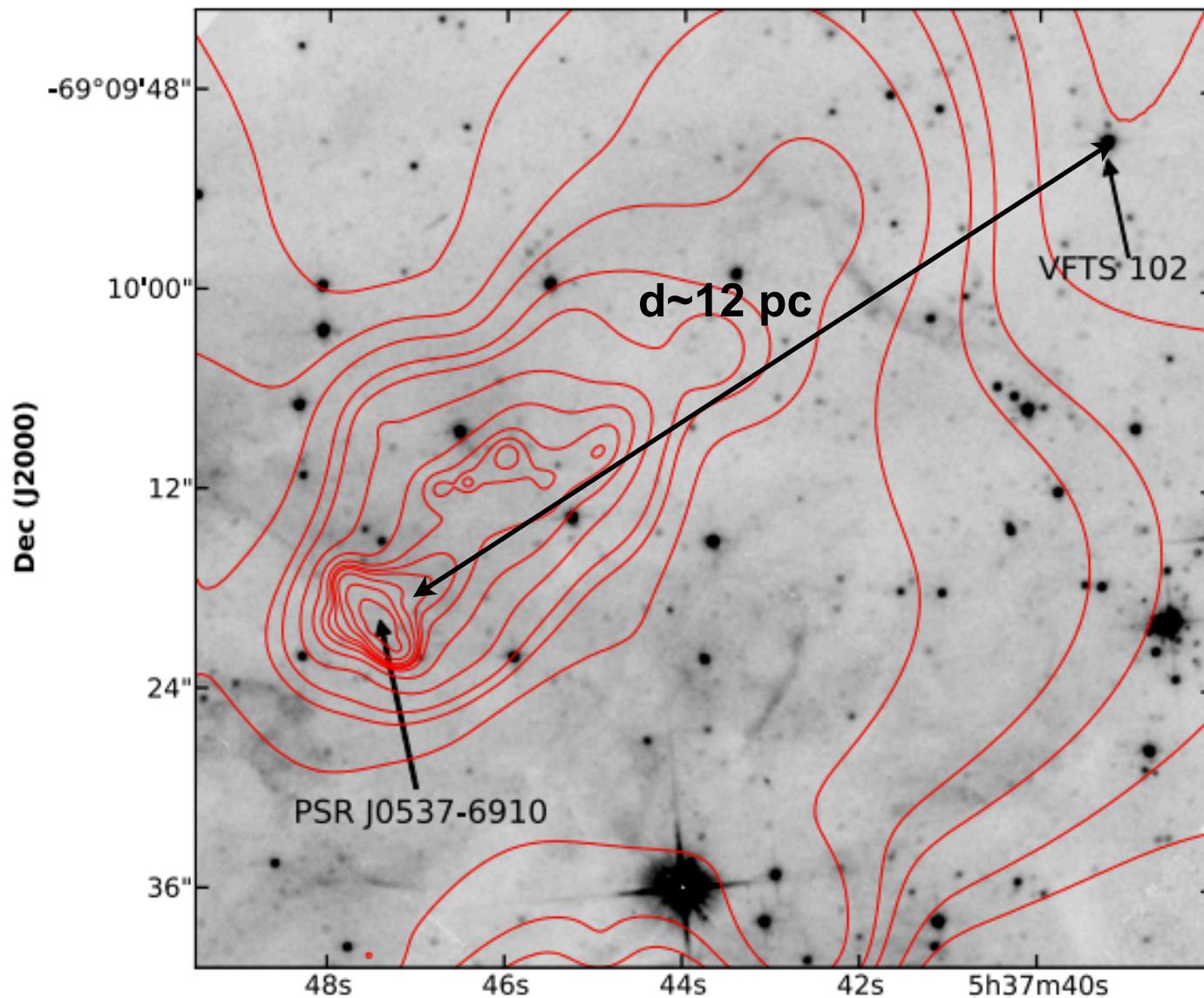
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Lies close to a Pulsar and a SNR



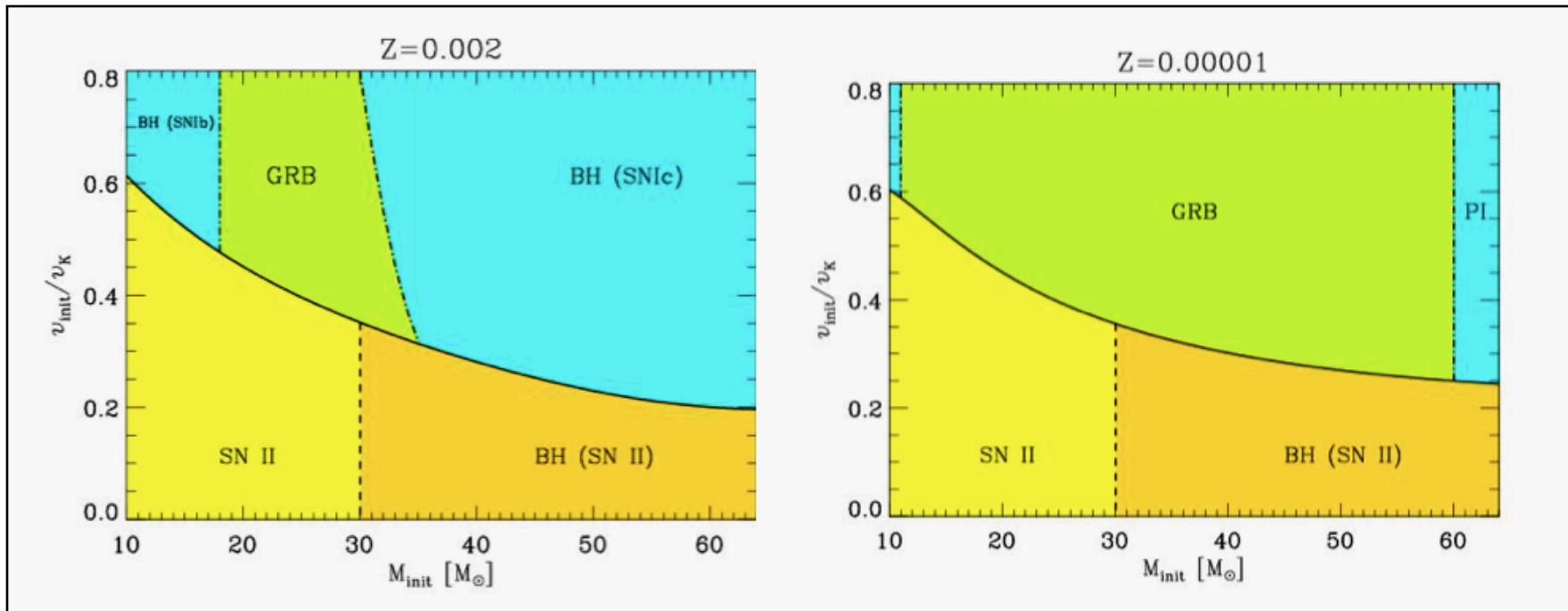
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Pulsar - VFTS102 Connection

- Diffuse X-ray emission consistent with bow-shock if pulsar is moving at \sim 1000 km/s
[Wang & Gotthelf \(1998\)](#)
- Adopting estimated age of pulsar (5000-24000 yrs
[Marshall et al. 1998](#), [Chu et al. 1992](#)), velocity for being casually connected to VFTS102 is 500-2500 km/s
- An attractive scenario, but needs to be confirmed (HST proper motion study PI: [Lennon](#))
- Other scenarios are possible (e.g dynamical ejection)

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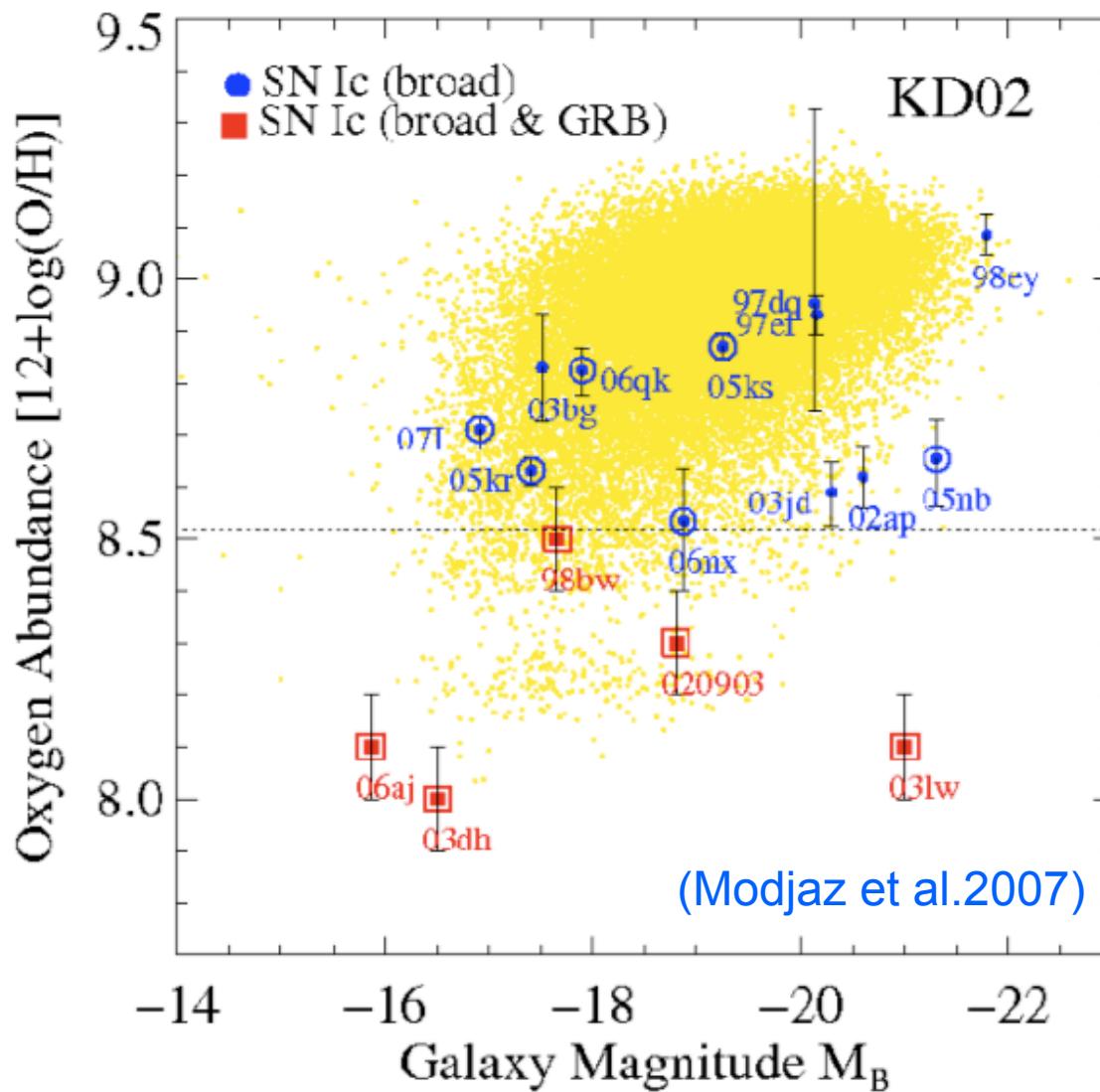
Prediction: Metallicity Threshold



(Yoon, Langer & Norman, 2006)

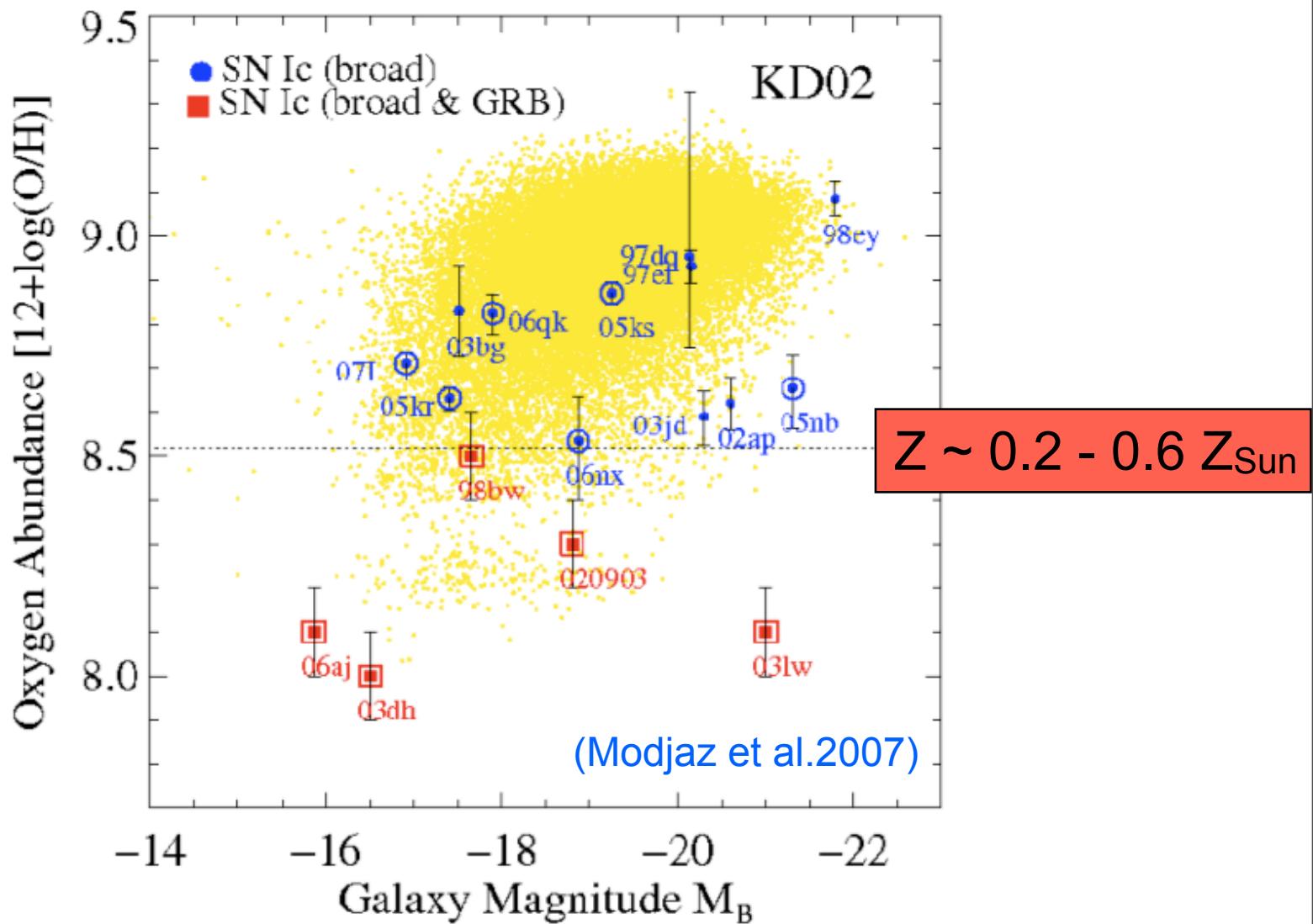
- Long GRBs prefer low metallicity (i.e. weaker winds) $Z \leq \sim 1/5 Z_{\text{Sun}}$ (SMC)
- This **metallicity threshold** is sensitive to mass-loss efficiency

Observations: Metallicity Threshold?

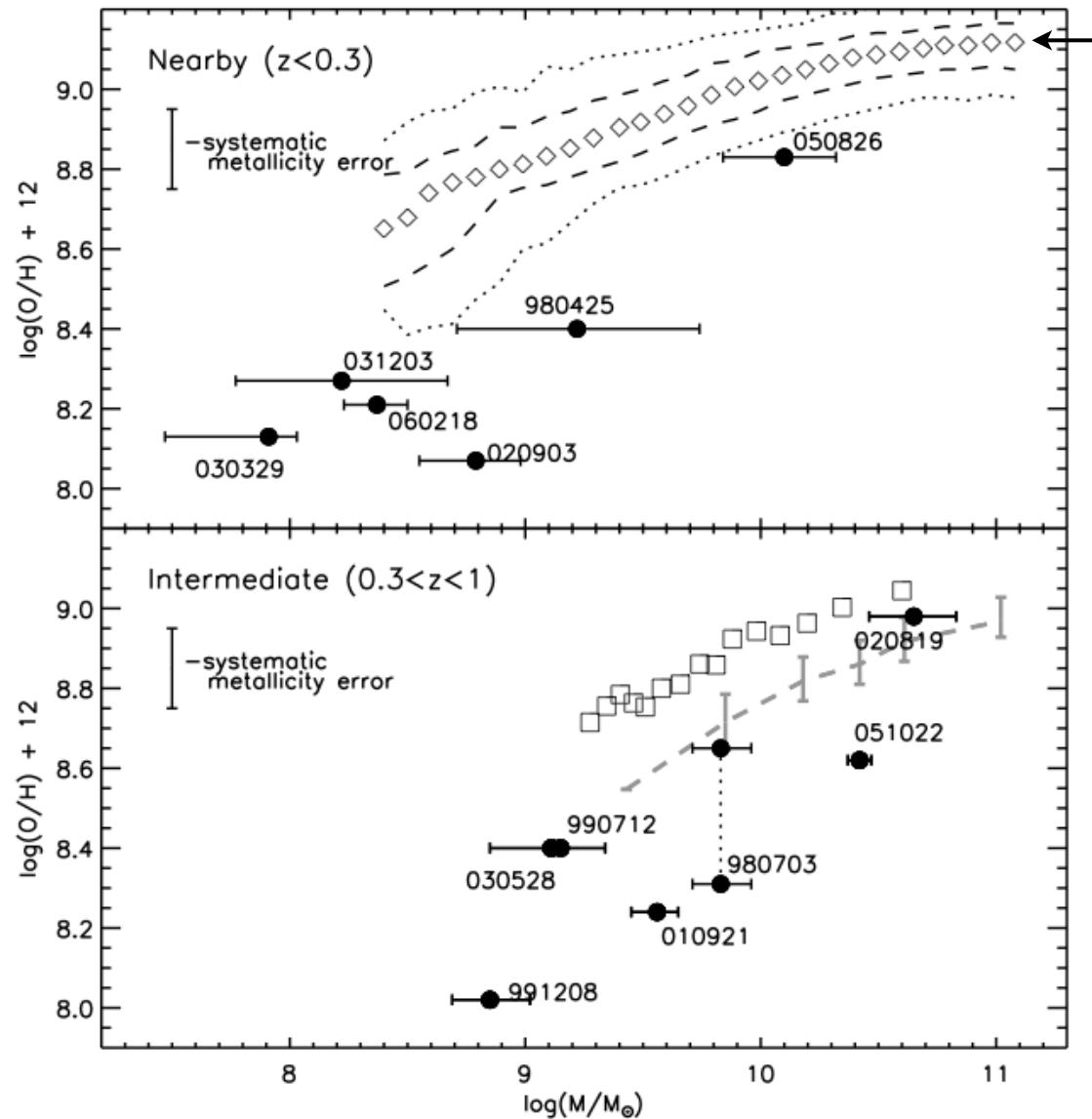


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Observations: LGRBs prefer low Metallicity?

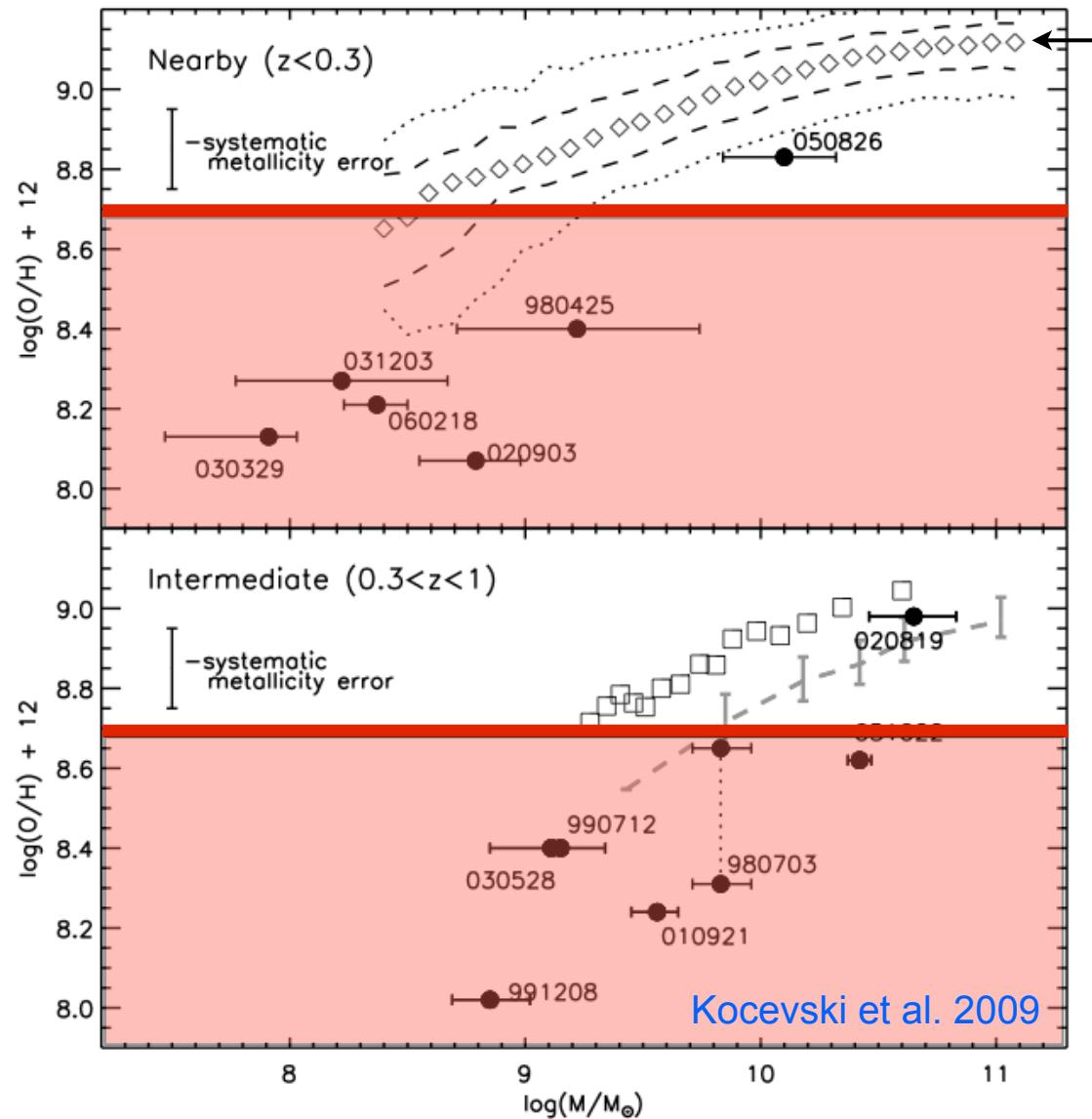


Diagnostic: KK04

Tremonti et al.
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(Levesque et al. 2010)

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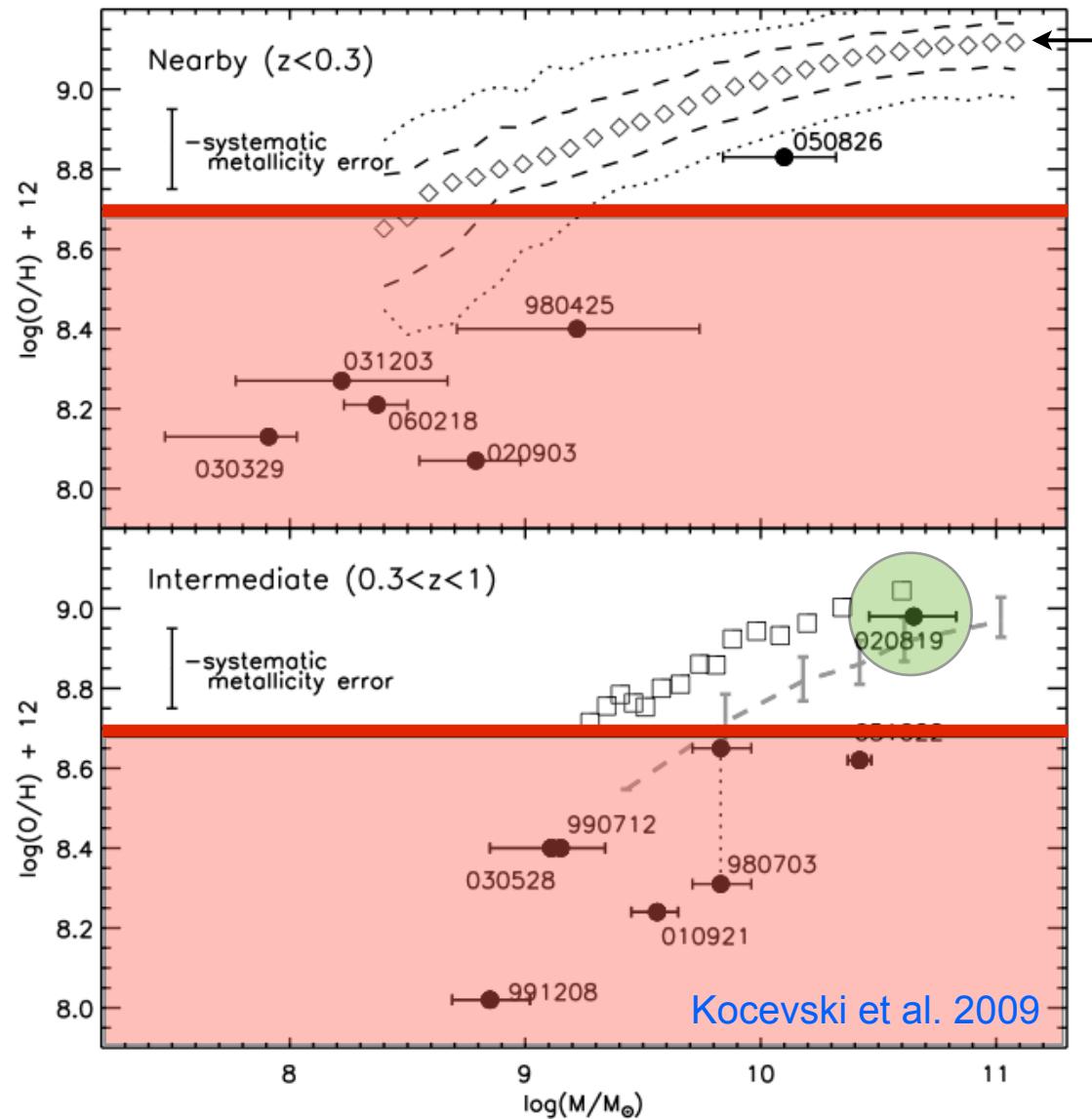


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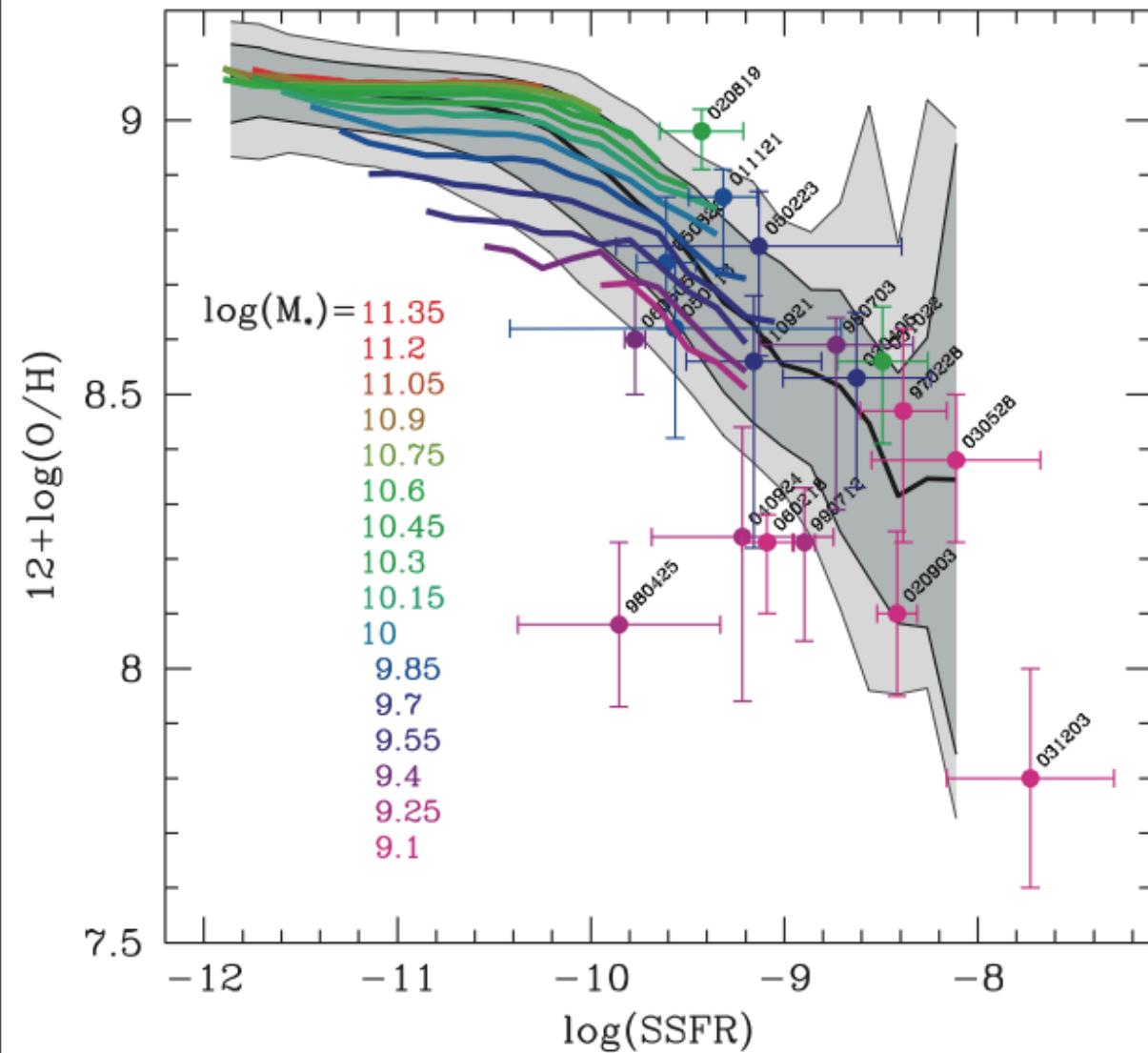
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Observations: LGRBs prefer low Metallicity?



Or maybe even something else...



- The low metallicity observed in long GRB host galaxies is just a consequence of the observed correlation between SSFR and Z

(Mannucci et al. 2011)

Conclusions

- Long GRBs? Fast rotating massive stars that evolve **chemically homogeneous**
- Two classes of progenitors: single and binary stars
- In massive binaries it is possible to **spin up** a star and form a rapidly rotating collapsing core
- This scenario is likely to produce a **runaway** WR which travels several hundred pc before collapse
- Both single and binary progenitors prefer **low Z**
- The origin of observed low-metallicity trend for GRB host galaxies is currently debated
- **VLT-Flames Tarantula Survey:** chemically homogeneous star and most rapidly-rotating O-star



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MODULES FOR EXPERIMENTS IN STELLAR ASTROPHYSICS (MESA)

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ABSTRACT

Stellar physics and evolution calculations enable a broad range of research in astrophysics. Modules for Experiments in Stellar Astrophysics (MESA) is a suite of open source, robust, efficient, thread-safe libraries for a wide range of applications in computational stellar astrophysics. A one-dimensional stellar evolution module, MESA_star, combines many of the numerical and physics modules for simulations of a wide range of stellar evolution scenarios ranging from very low mass to massive stars, including advanced evolutionary phases. MESA_star solves the fully coupled structure and composition equations simultaneously. It uses adaptive mesh refinement and sophisticated timestep controls, and supports shared memory parallelism based on OpenMP. State-of-the-art modules provide equation of state, opacity, nuclear reaction rates, element diffusion data, and atmosphere boundary conditions. Each module is constructed as a separate Fortran 95 library with its own explicitly defined public interface to facilitate independent development. Several detailed examples indicate the extensive verification and testing that is continuously performed and demonstrate the wide range of capabilities that MESA possesses. These examples include evolutionary tracks of very low mass stars, brown dwarfs, and gas giant planets to very old ages; the complete evolutionary track of a $1 M_{\odot}$ star from the pre-main sequence (PMS) to a cooling white dwarf; the solar sound speed profile; the evolution of intermediate-mass stars through the He-core burning phase and thermal pulses on the He-shell burning asymptotic giant branch phase; the interior structure of slowly pulsating B Stars and Beta Cepheids; the complete evolutionary tracks of massive stars from the PMS to the onset of core collapse; mass transfer from stars undergoing Roche lobe overflow; and the evolution of helium accretion onto a neutron star. MESA can be downloaded from the project Web site (<http://mesa.sourceforge.net/>).

Key words: methods: numerical – stars: evolution – stars: general

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