

# Massive-Star Magnetospheres

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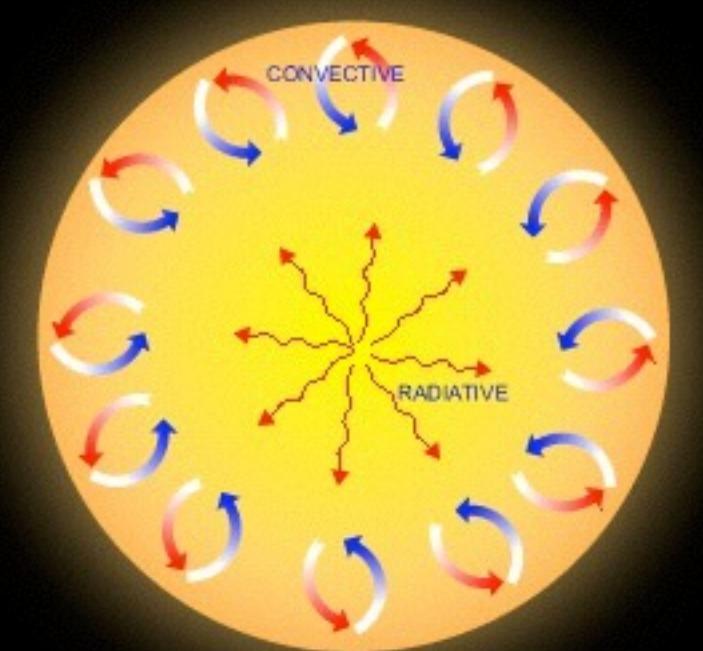


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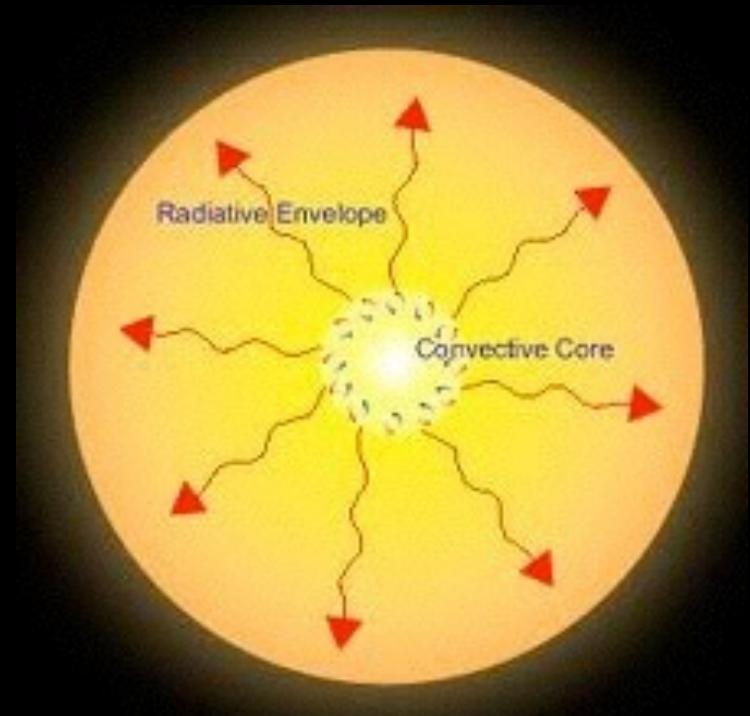


# Convective vs. Radiative Envelopes

Solar mass stars

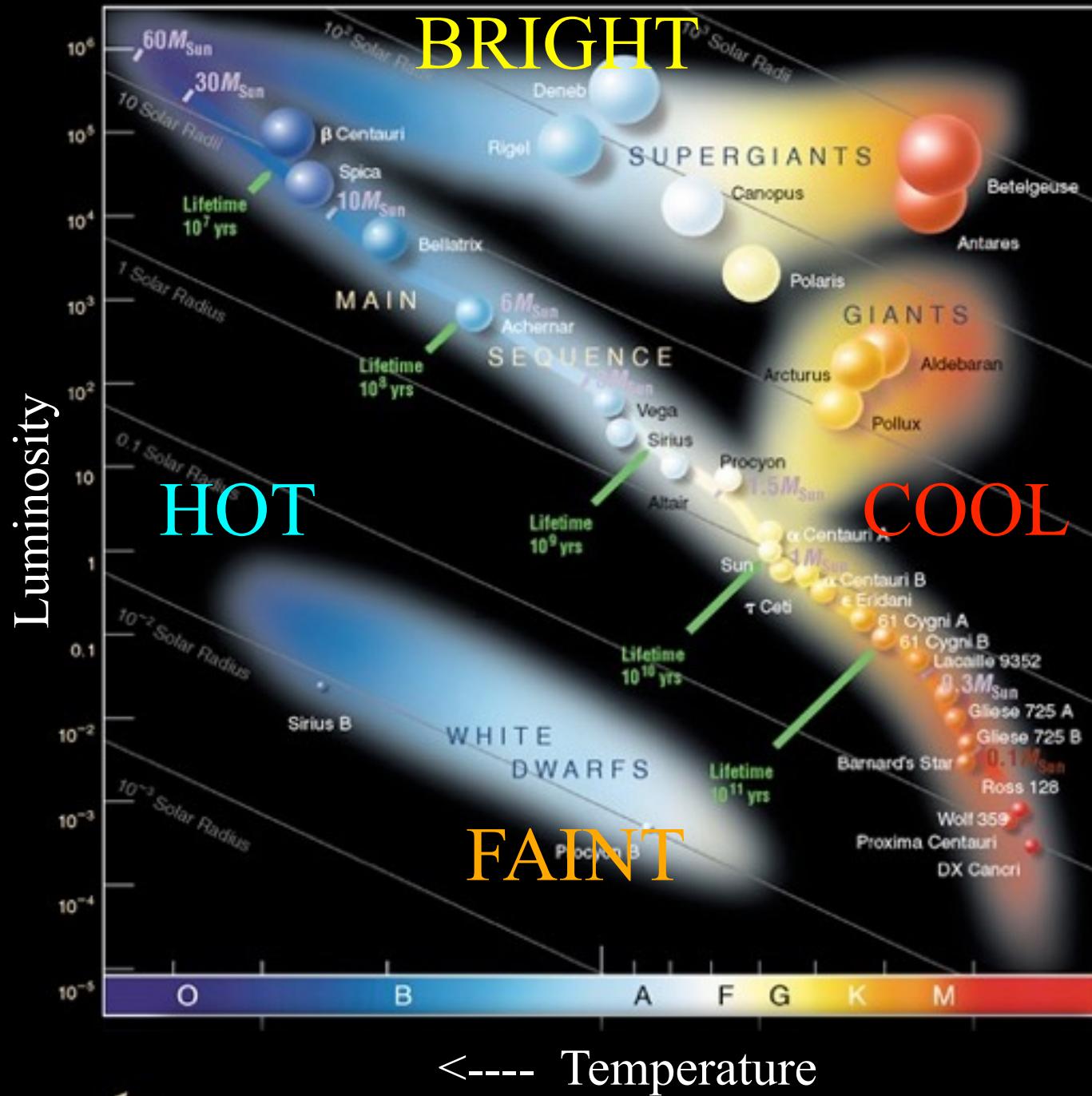


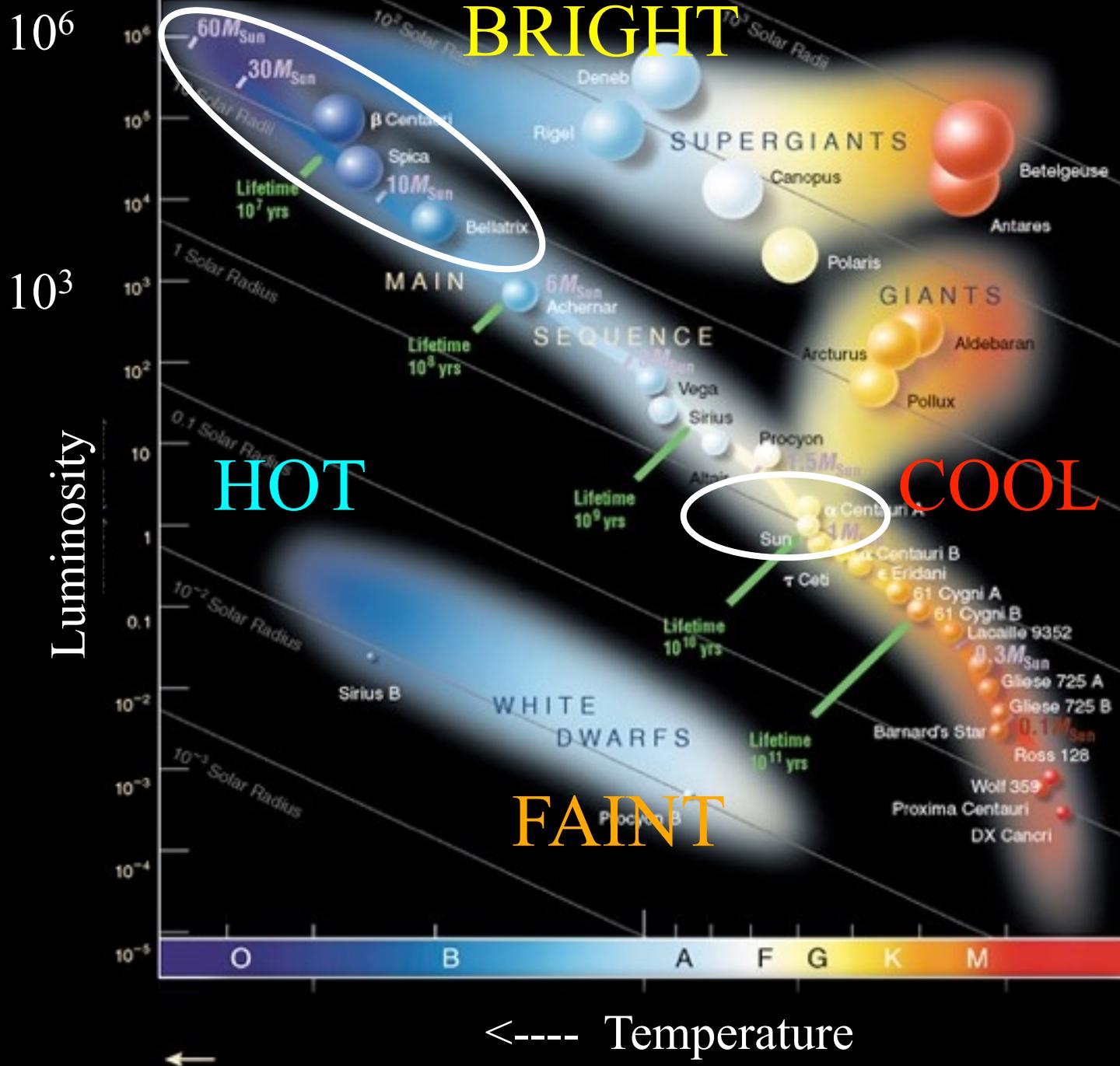
High-mass stars



Rotation-Convection Dynamo

No envelope Dynamo



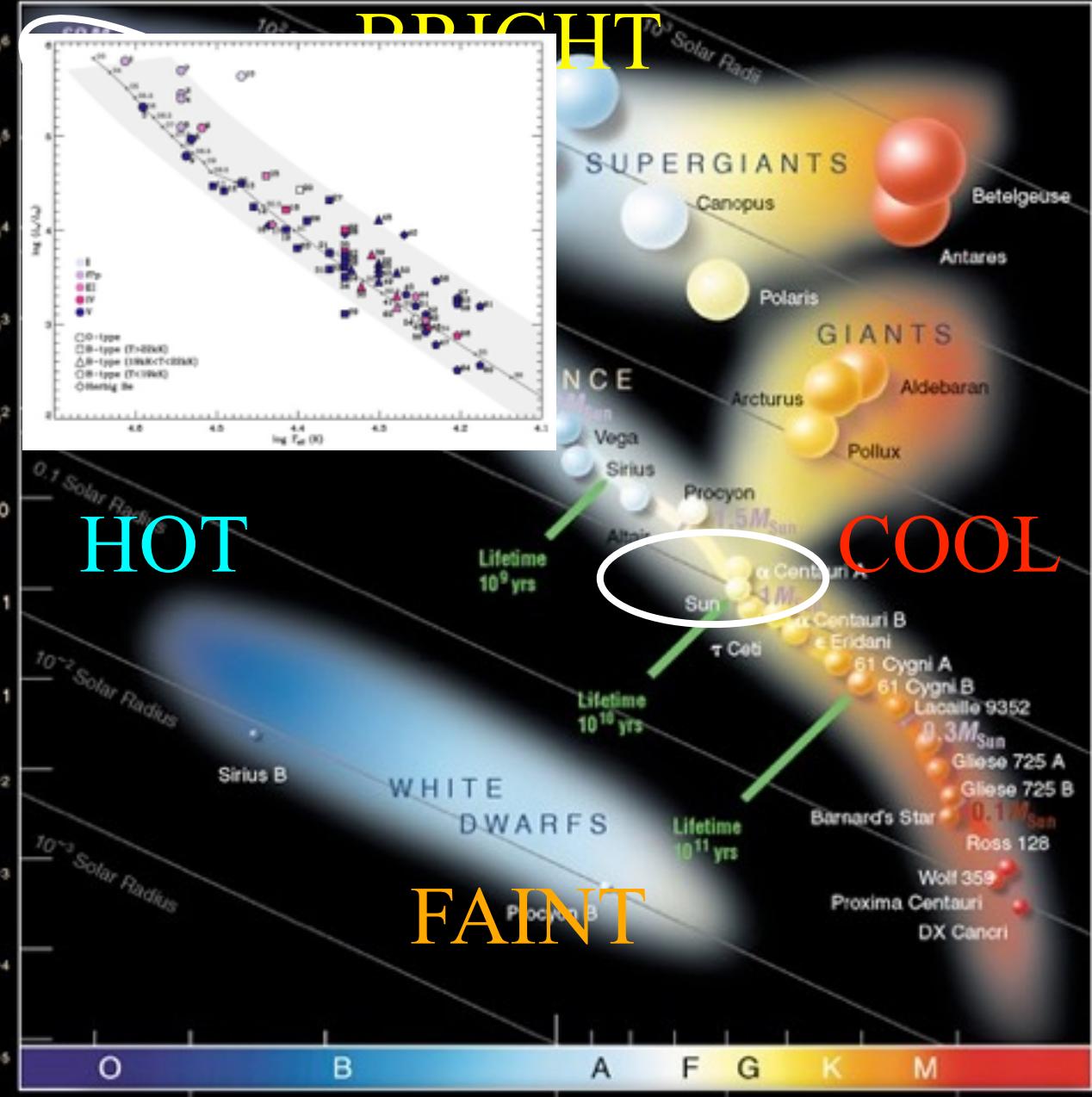


$10^6$

$10^3$

Luminosity

$10^{-5}$   $10^{-4}$   $10^{-3}$   $10^{-2}$   $10^{-1}$   $10^0$   $10^1$   $10^2$   $10^3$   $10^4$   $10^5$   $10^6$

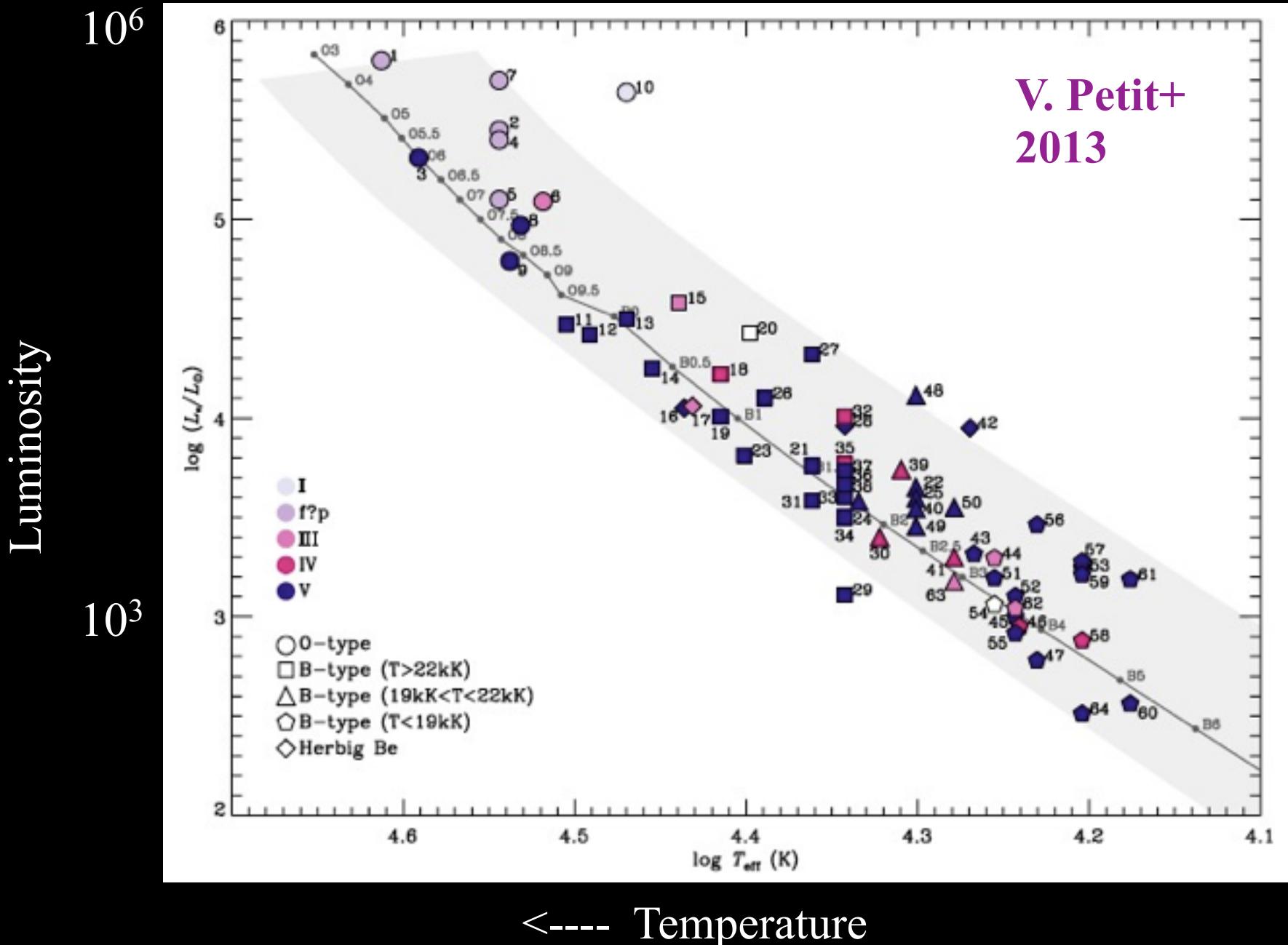


<---- Temperature

BRIGHT

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# 64 Confirmed Magnetic Massive Stars

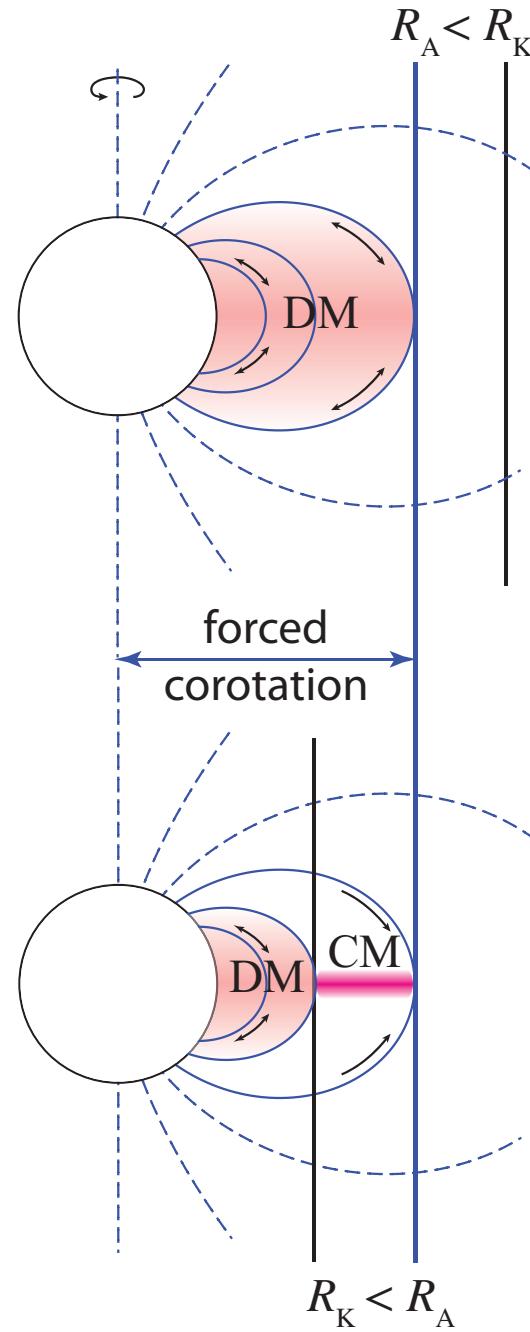


# Key differences between hot vs. cool star winds and magnetospheres

- hot stars have cool winds,  $T \sim T_{\text{eff}}$ ; no hot coronae
  - driven by radiation not gas pressure
  - become supersonic near surface  $R_*$
  - closed loops not hydrostatic,
  - supersonic upflow leads to shocks near loop apex
- some hot stars have rapid rotation
  - lead to centrifugally supported magnetospheres
- field is large-scale, and stable
  - fossil, not from dynamo activity cycle

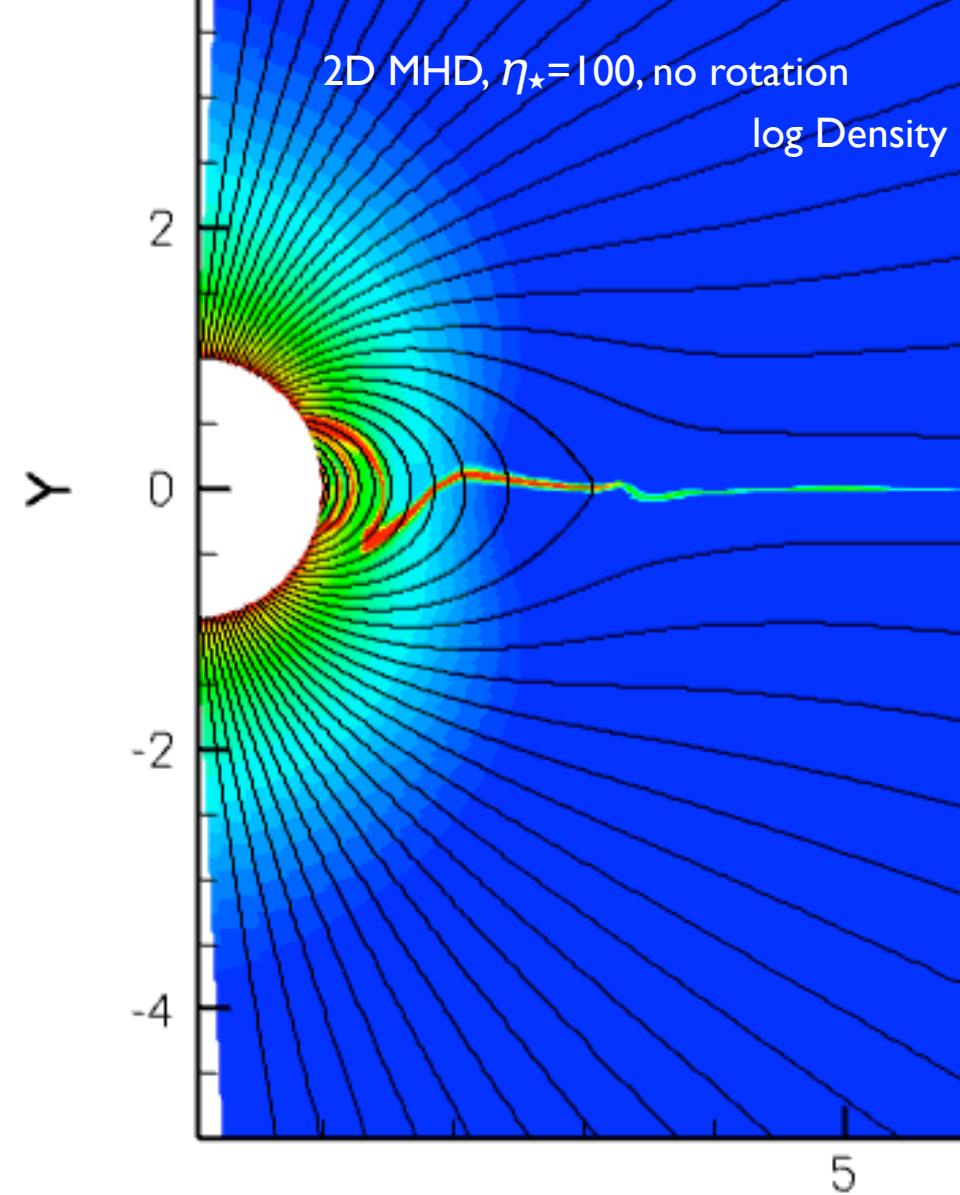
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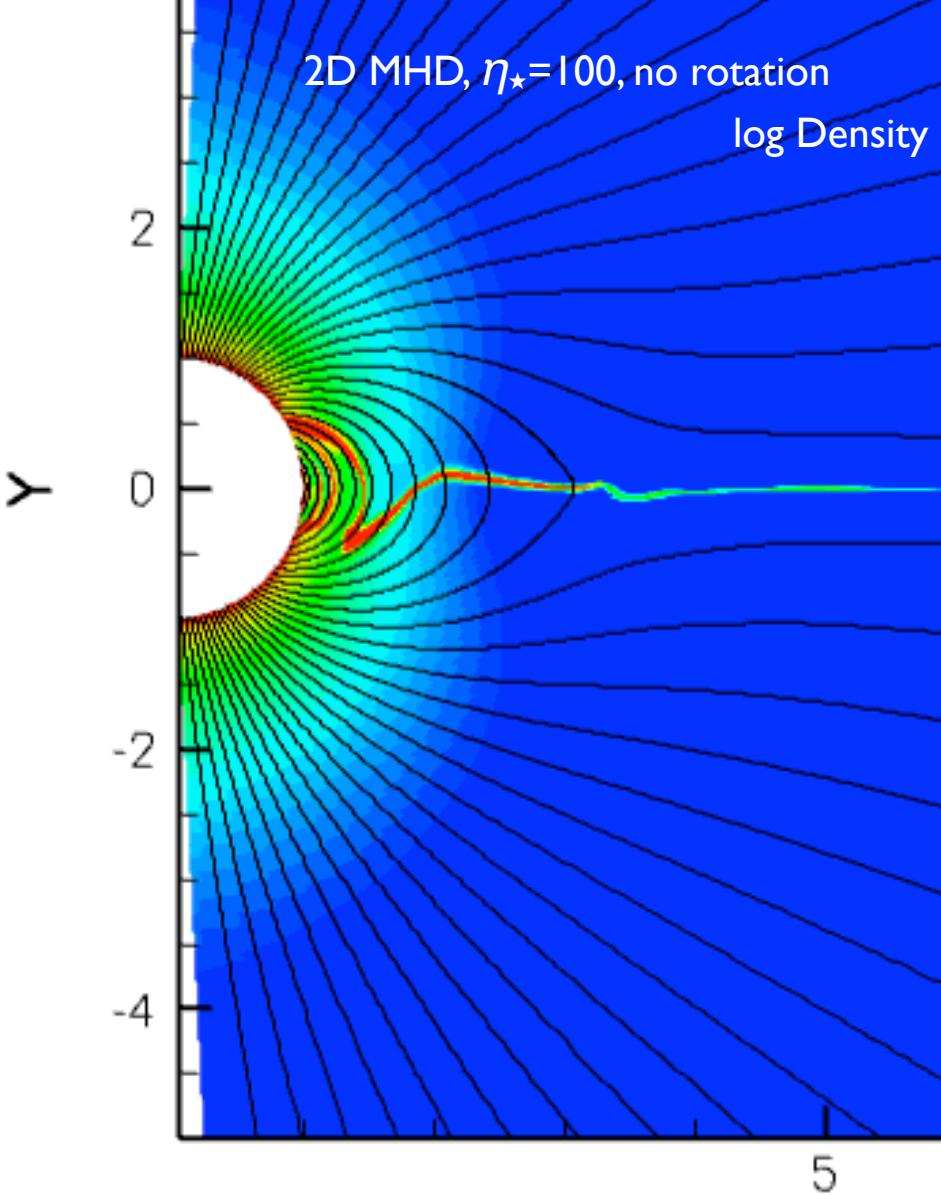


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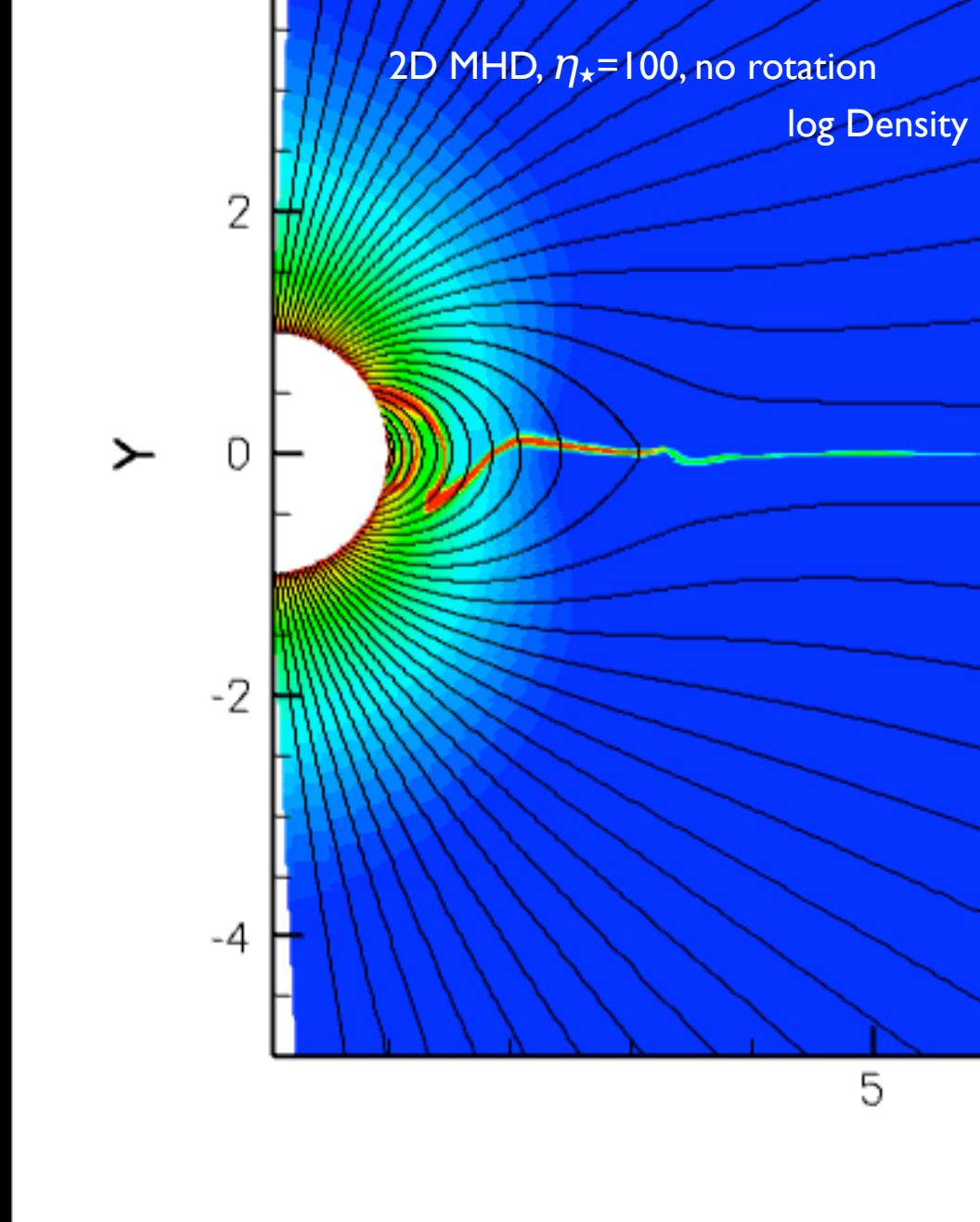
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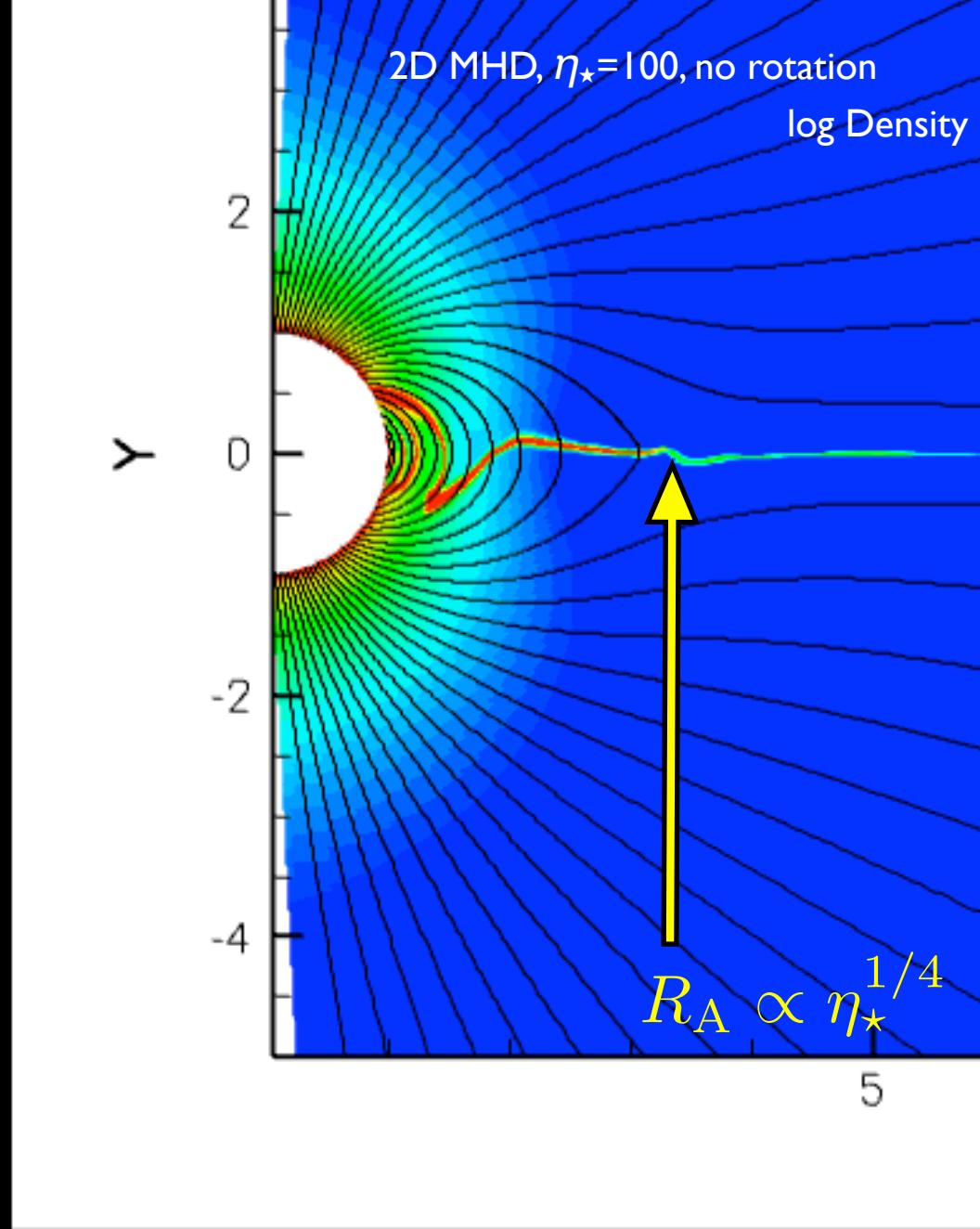
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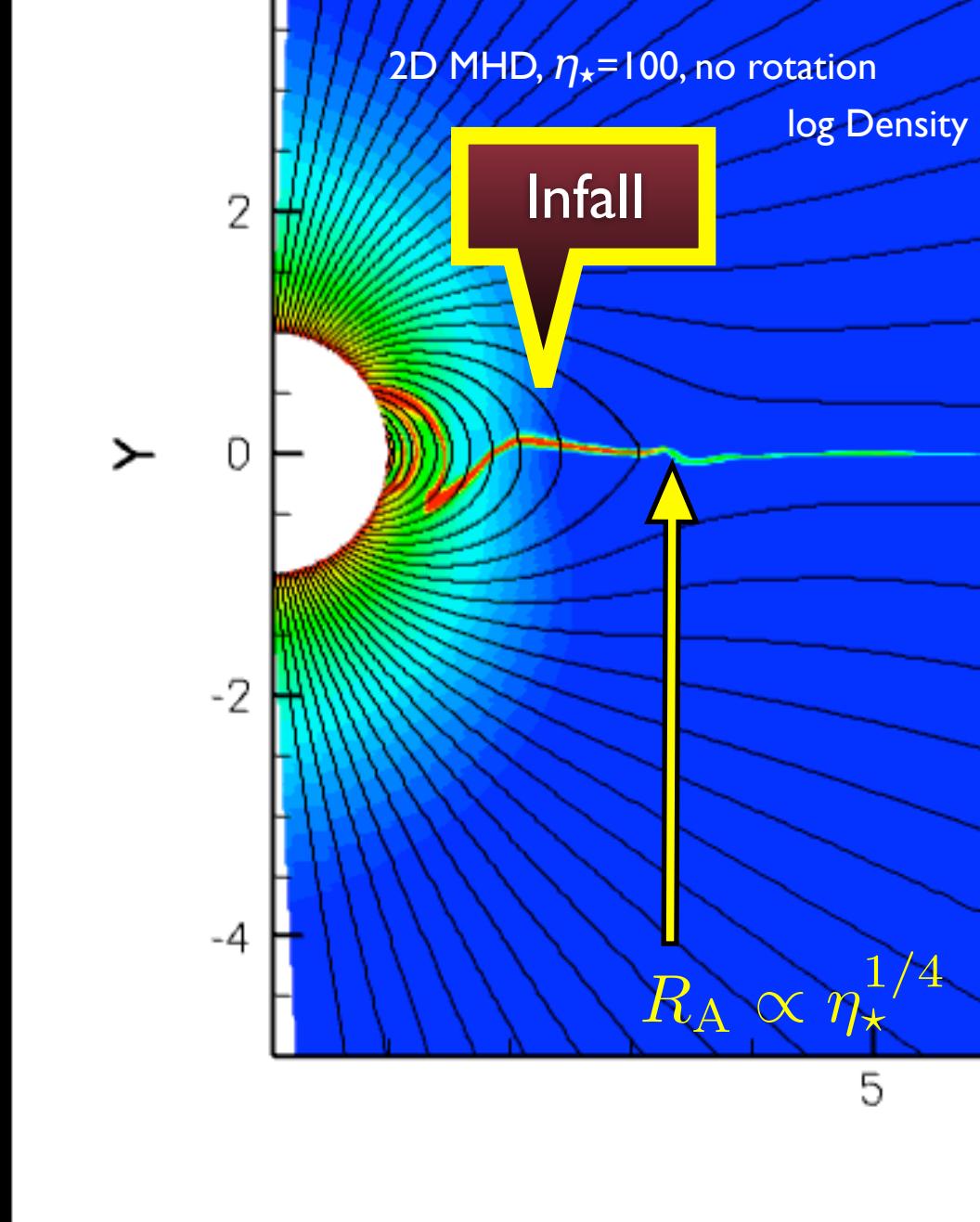
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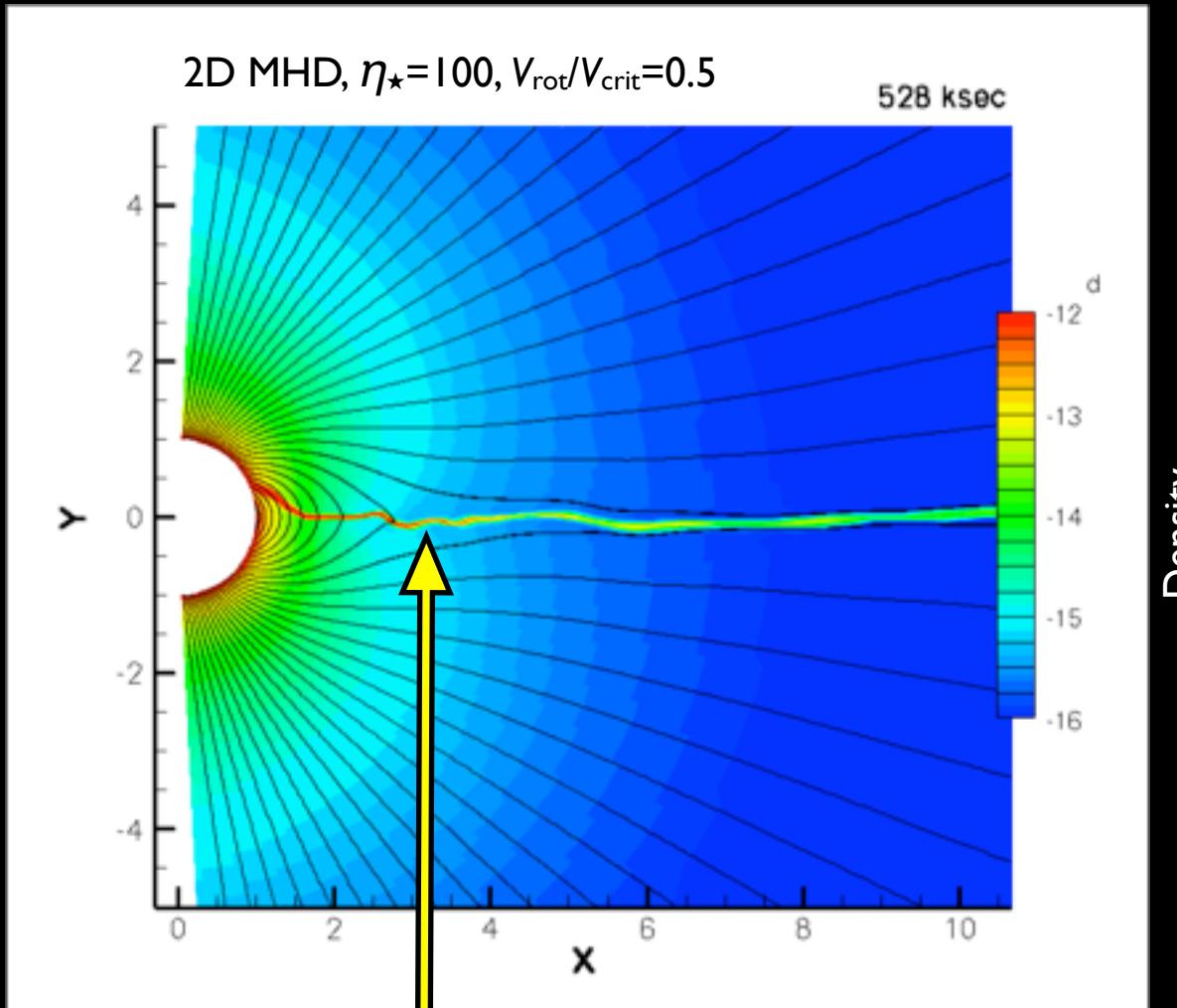
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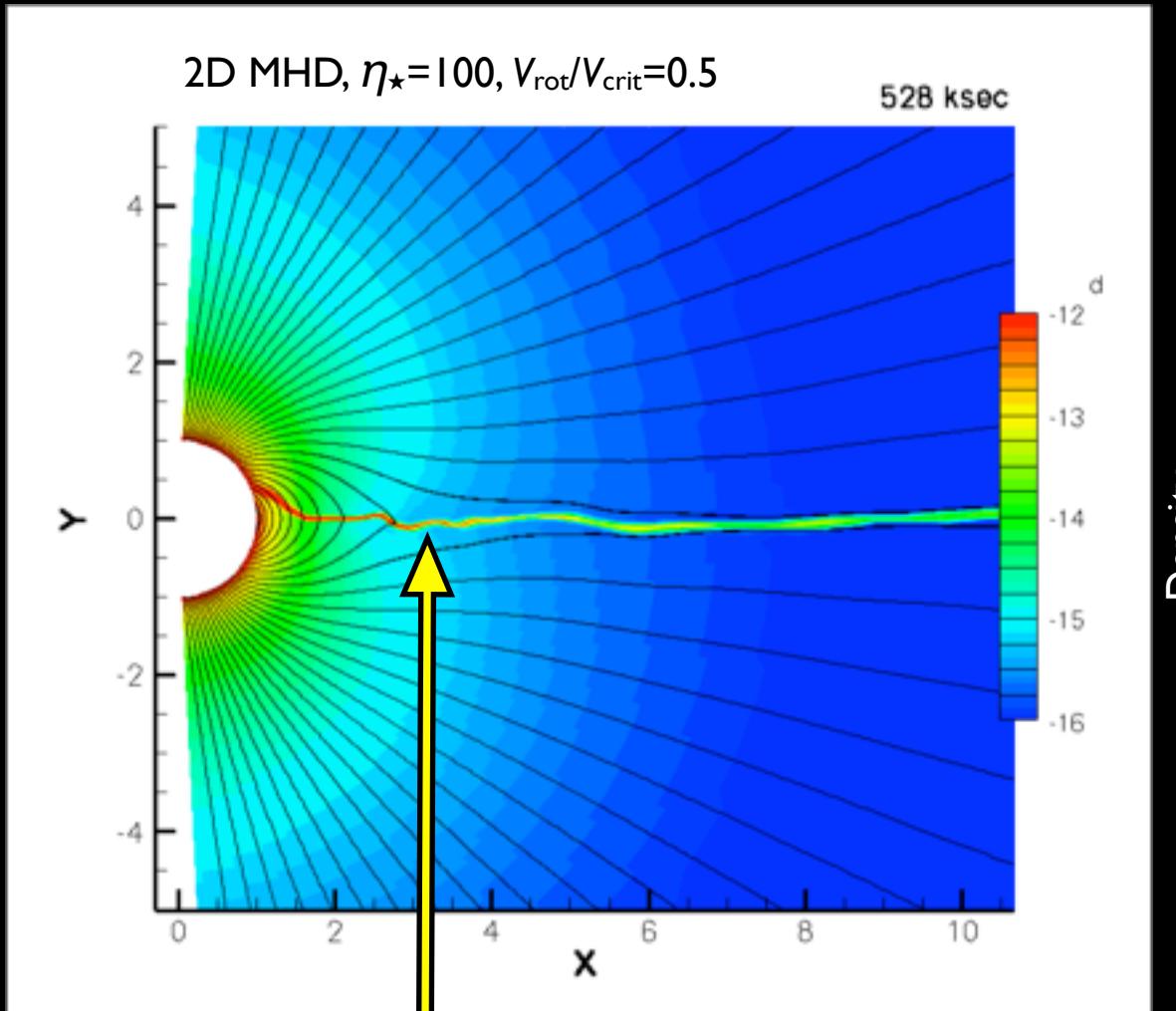
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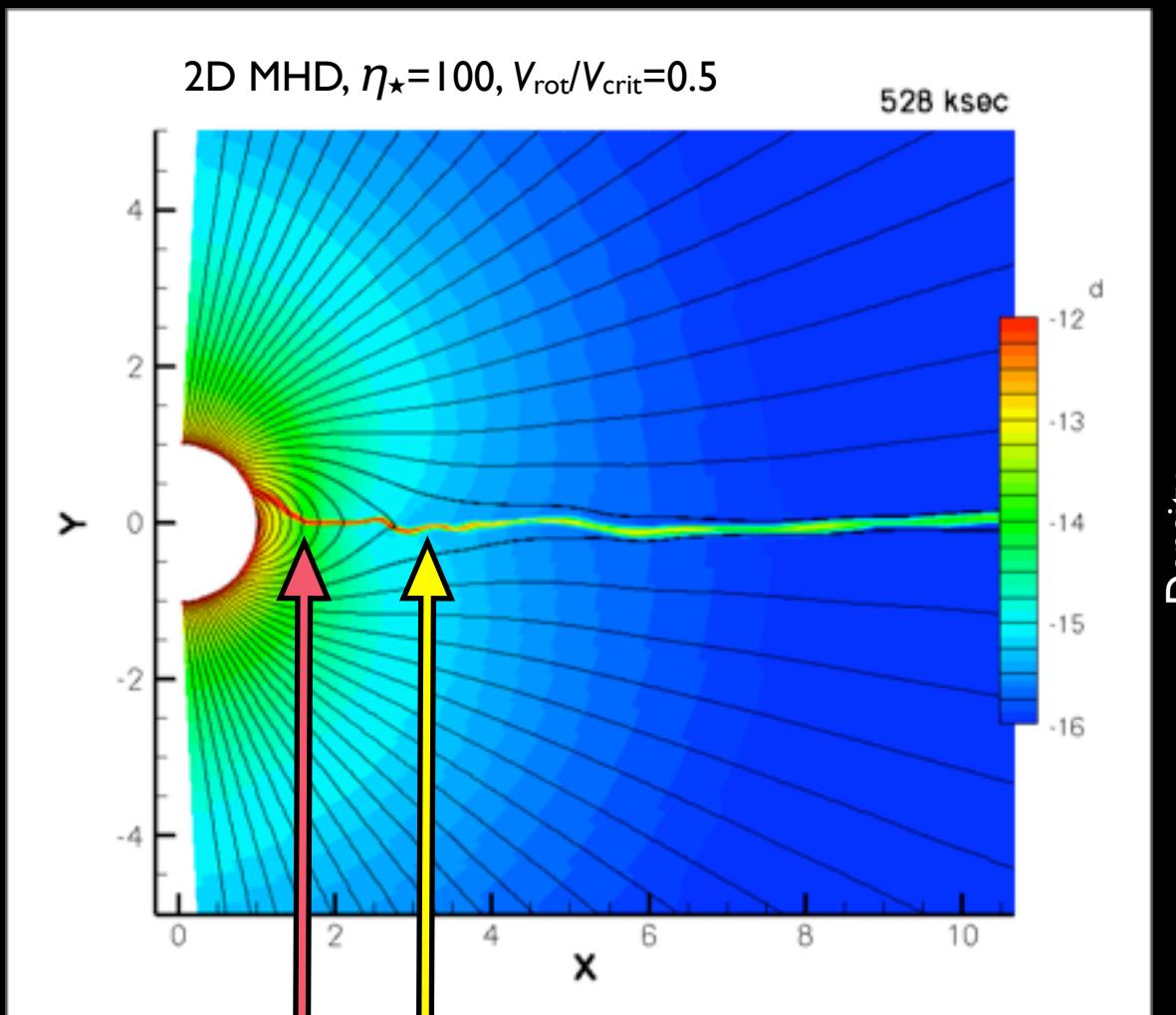
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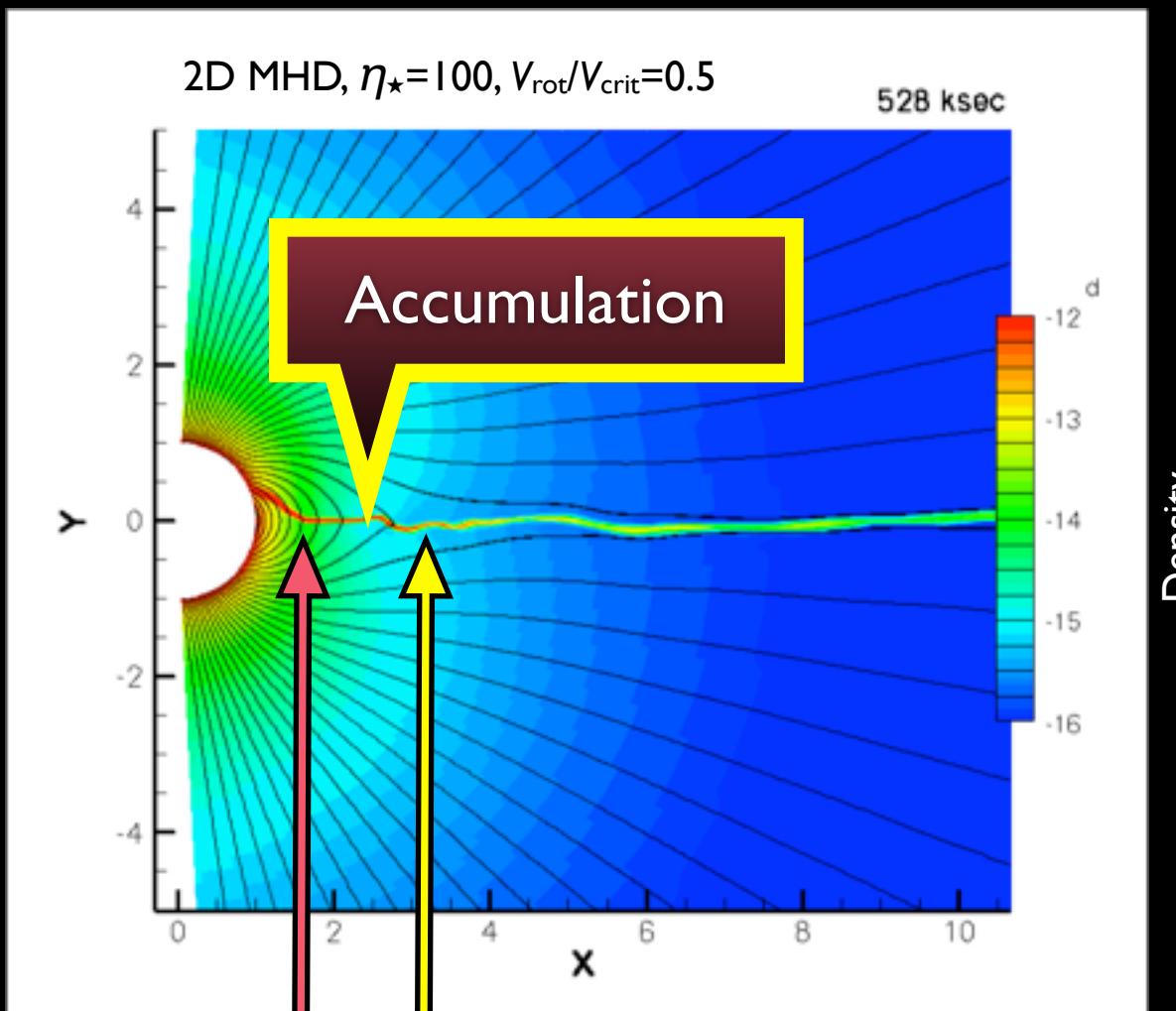
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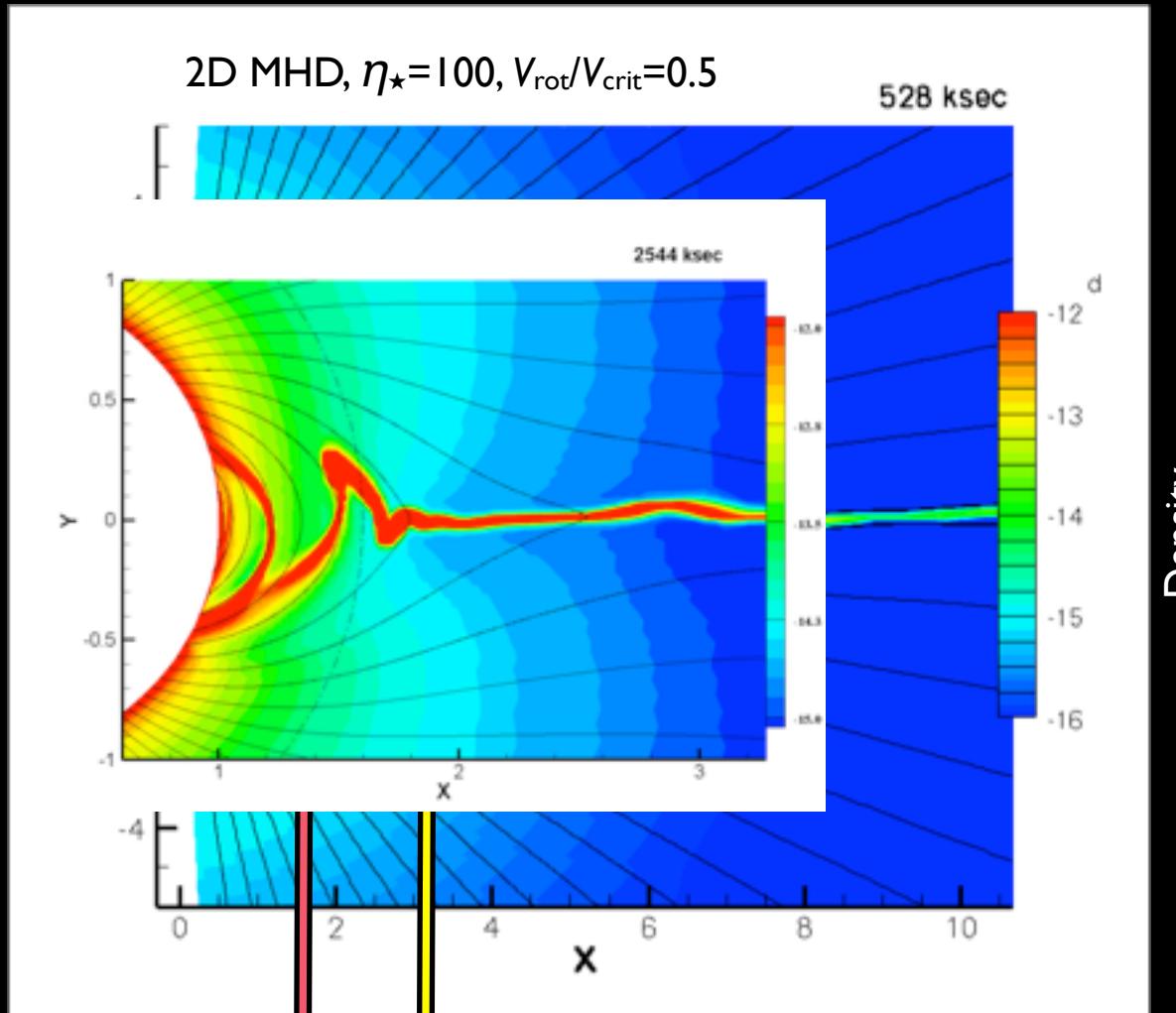
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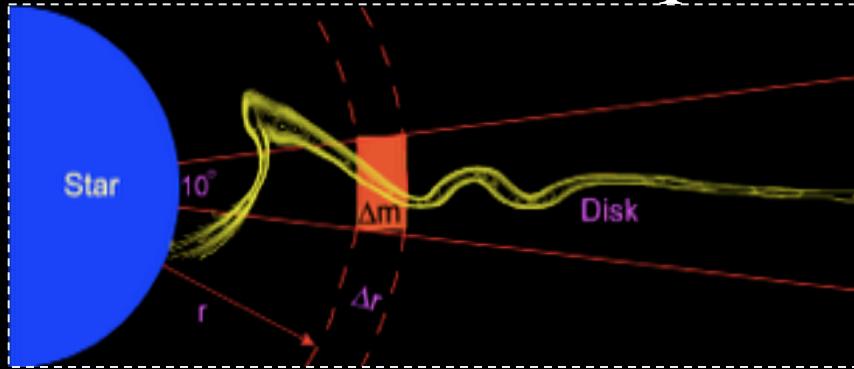
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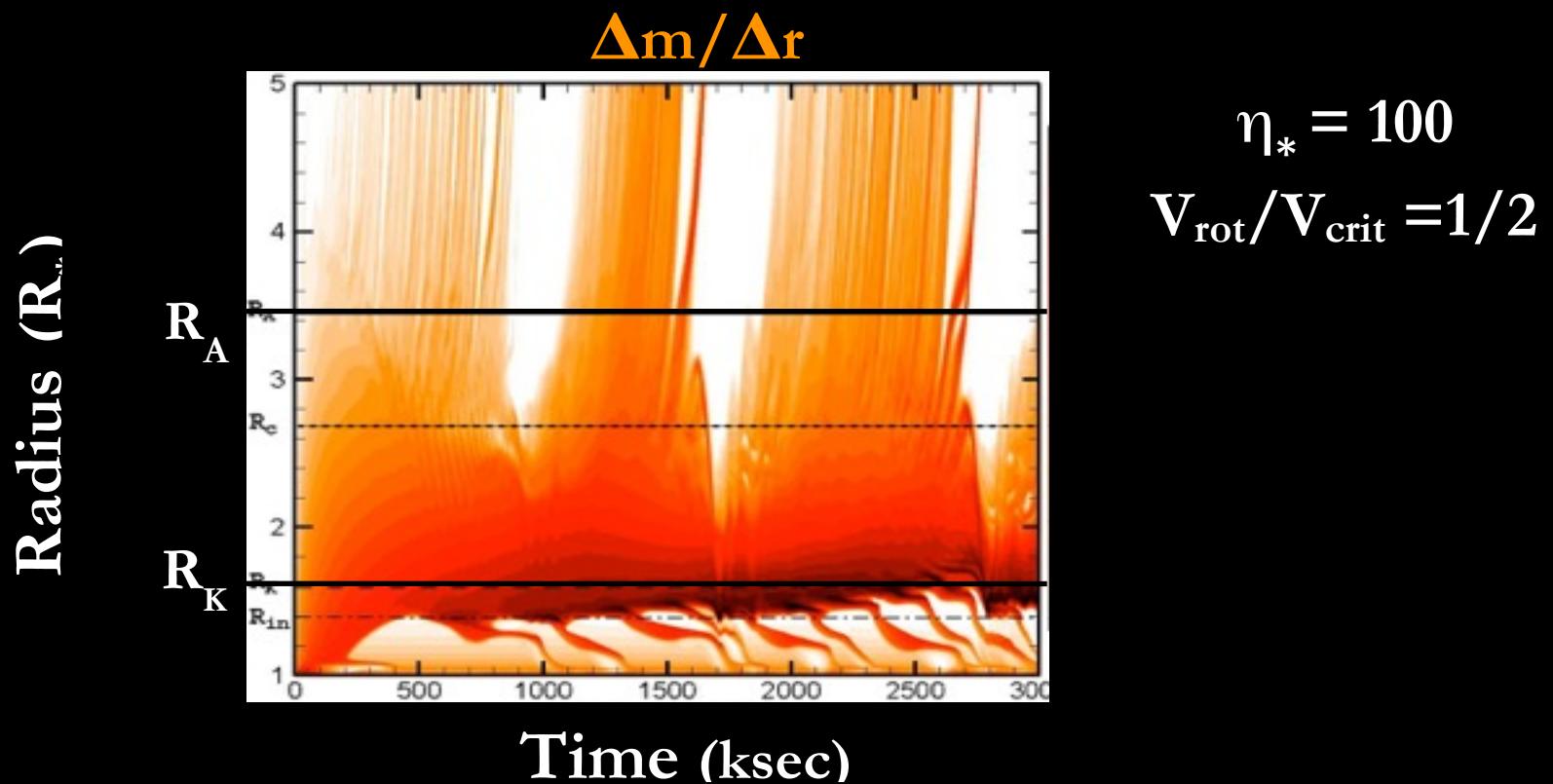
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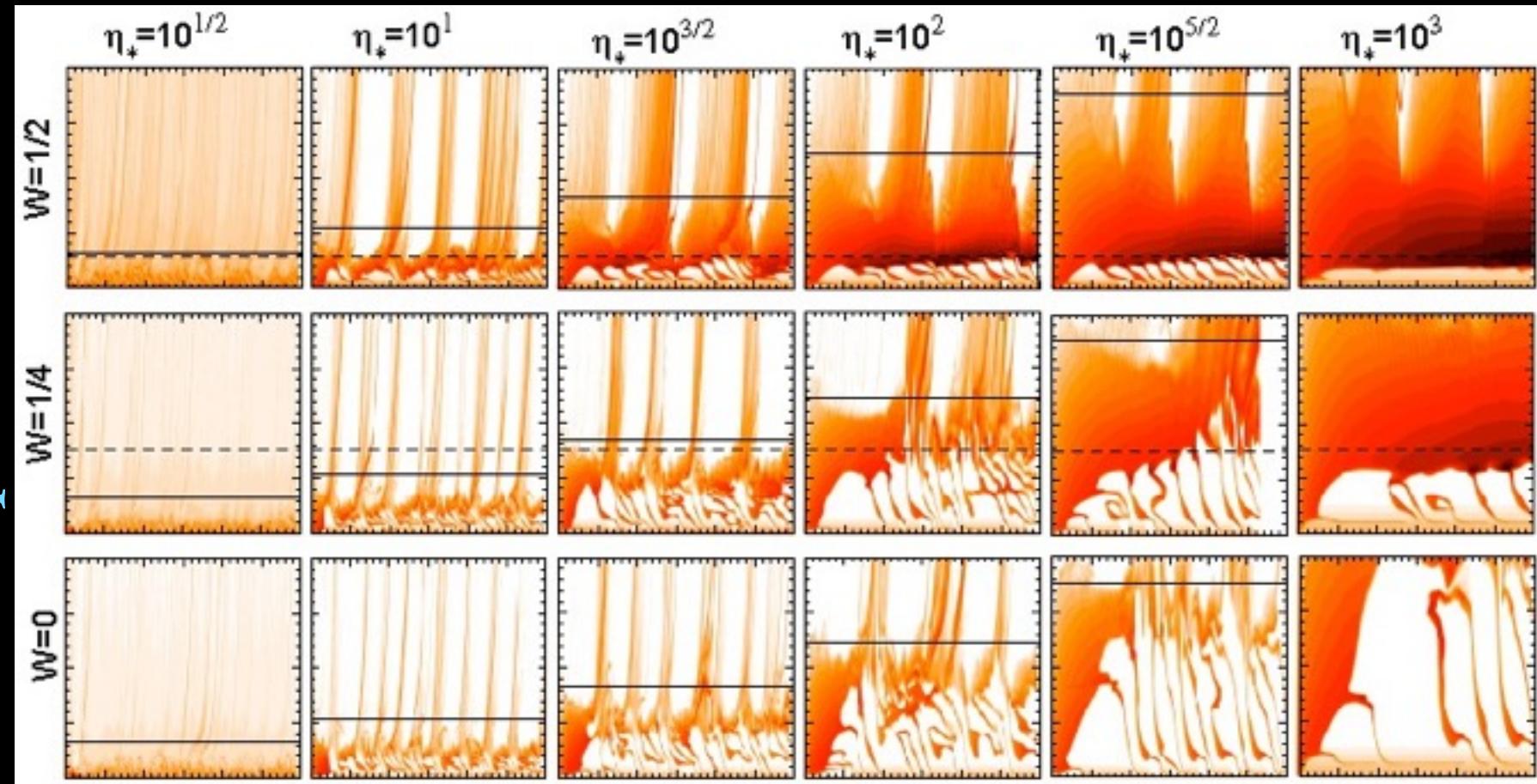


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$\Delta m / \Delta r (r, t)$  for various  $W, \eta_*$ 

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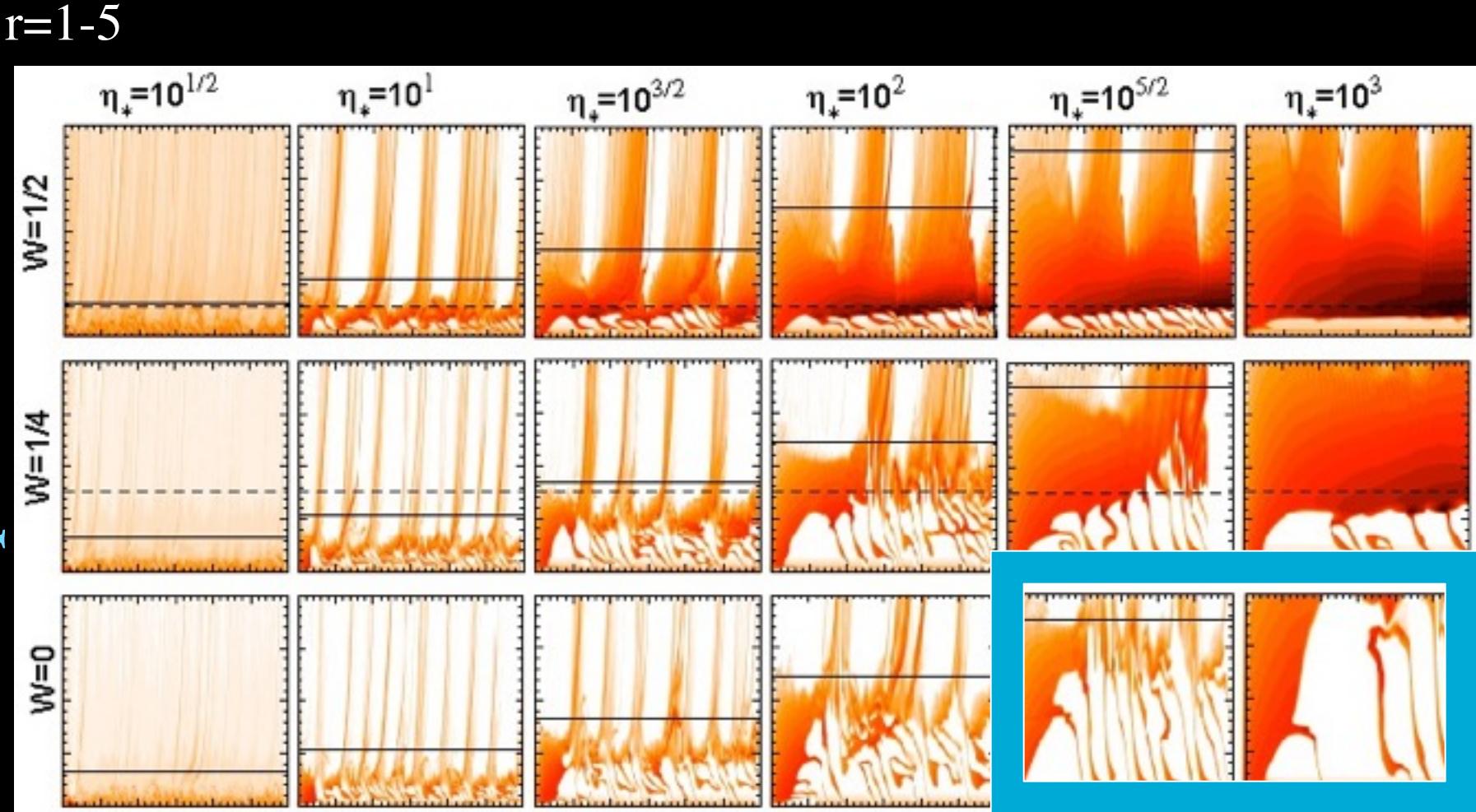


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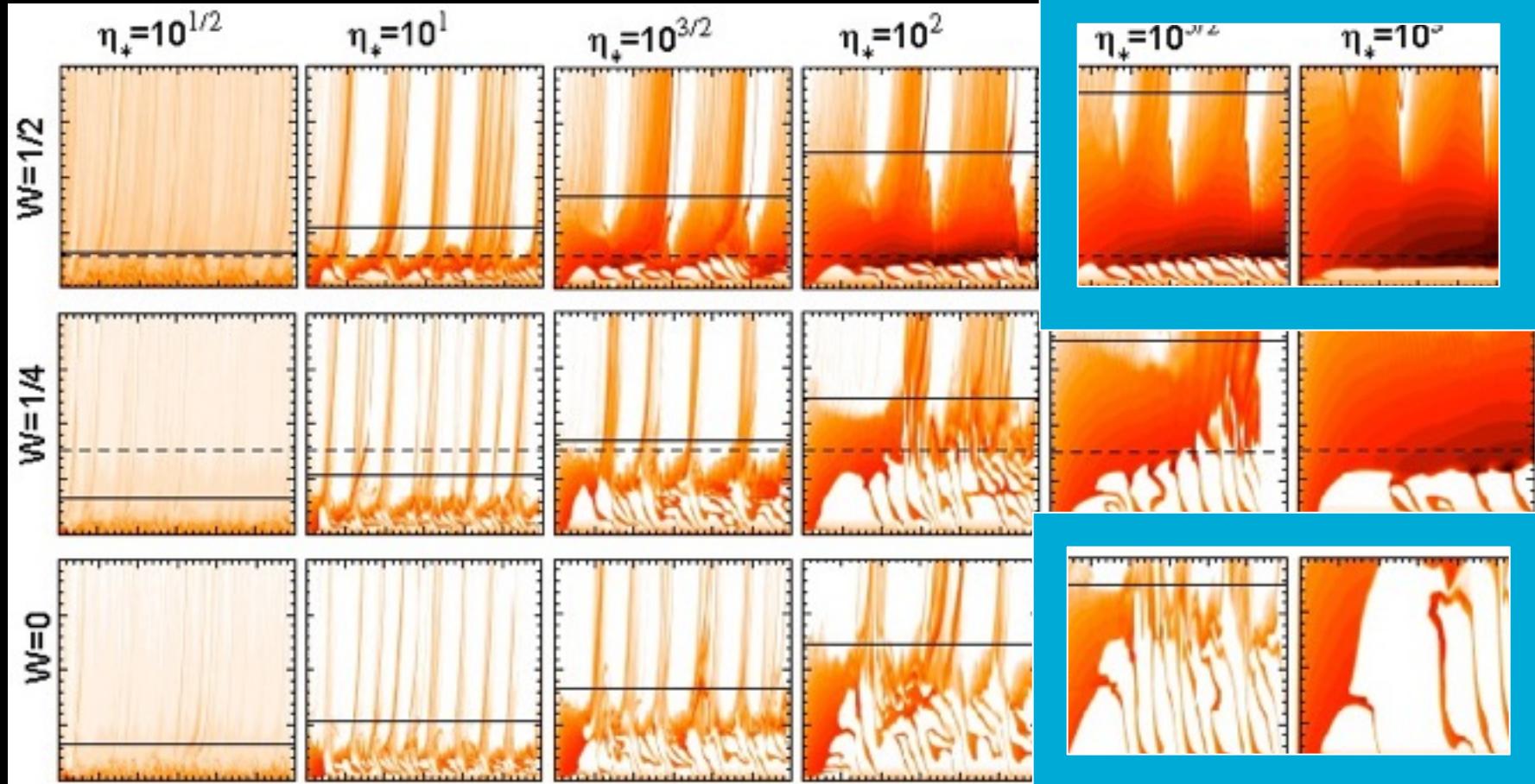
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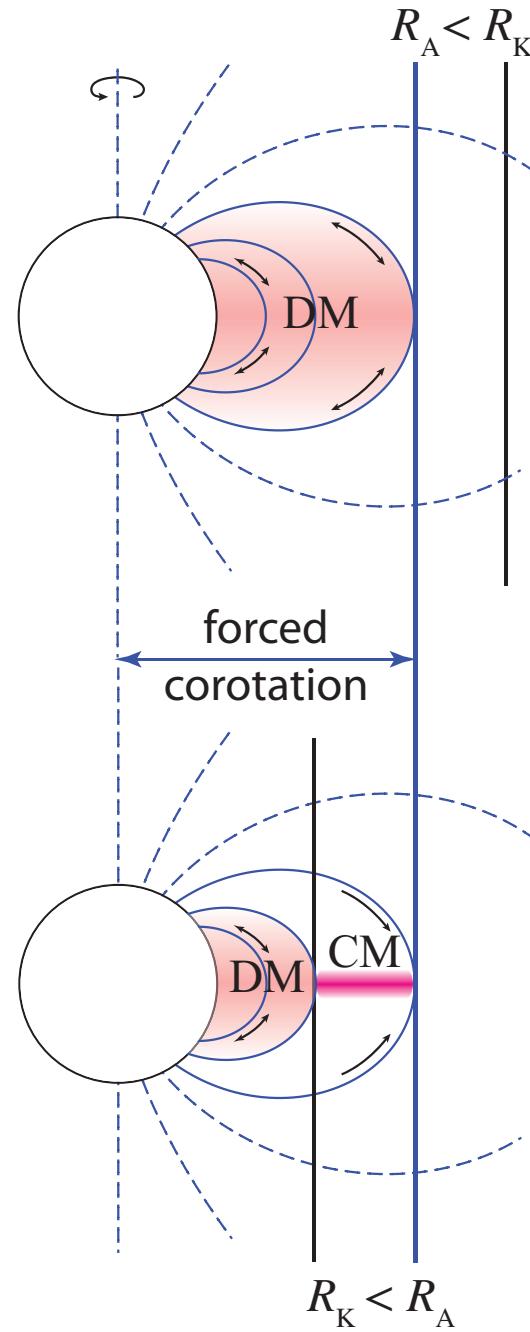
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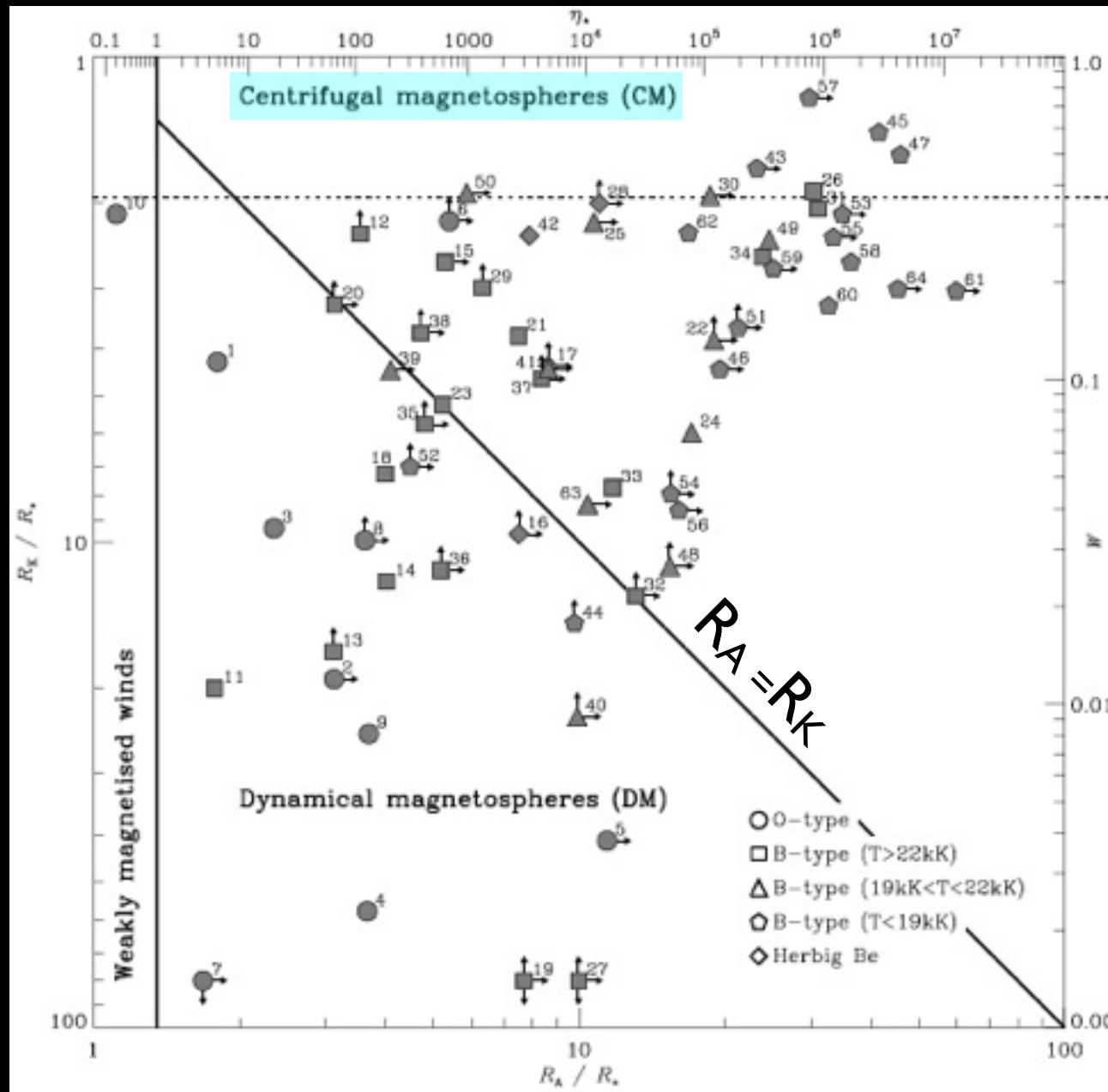
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$R_K / R_*$

Slow rot.

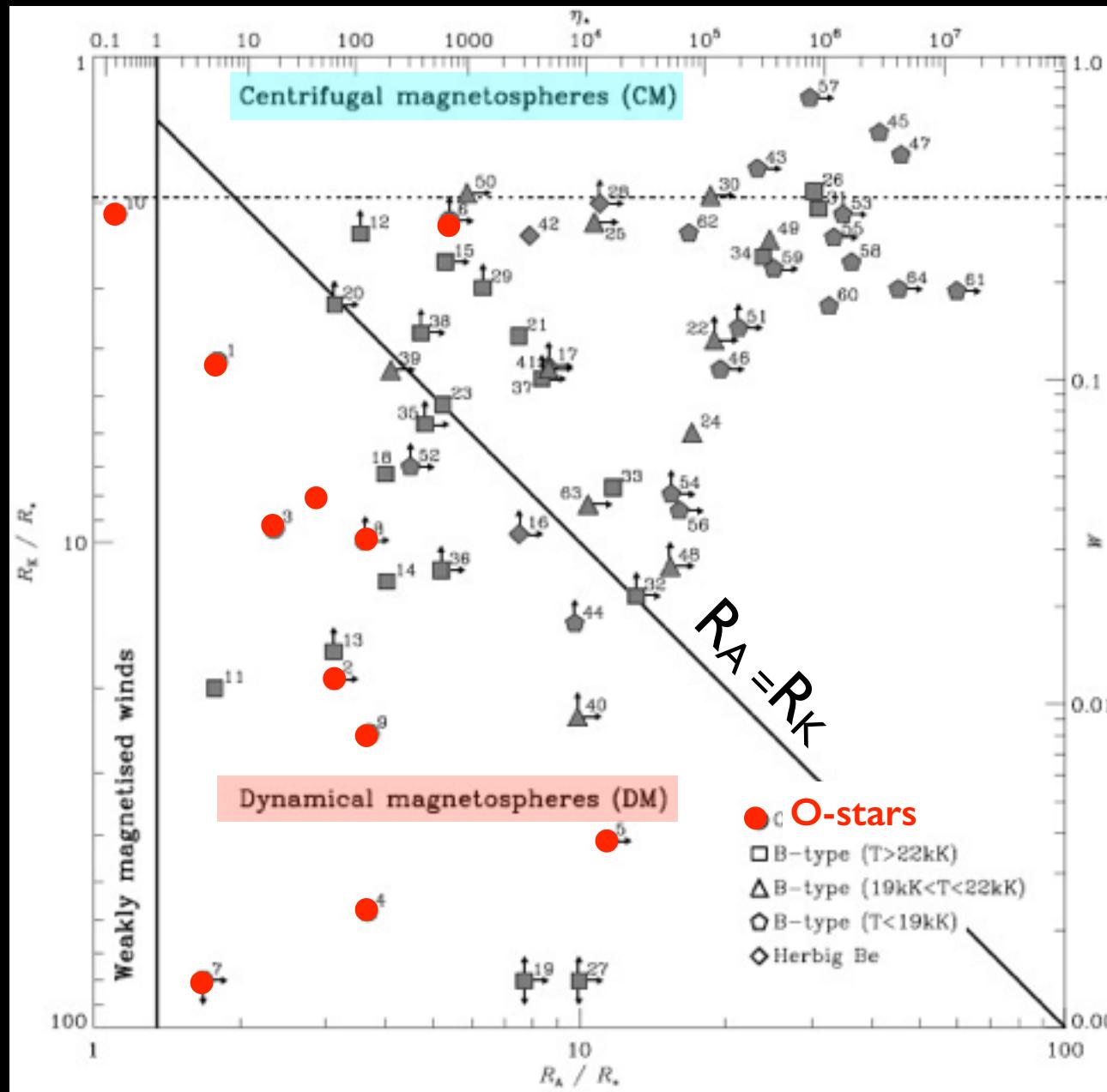


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DM's

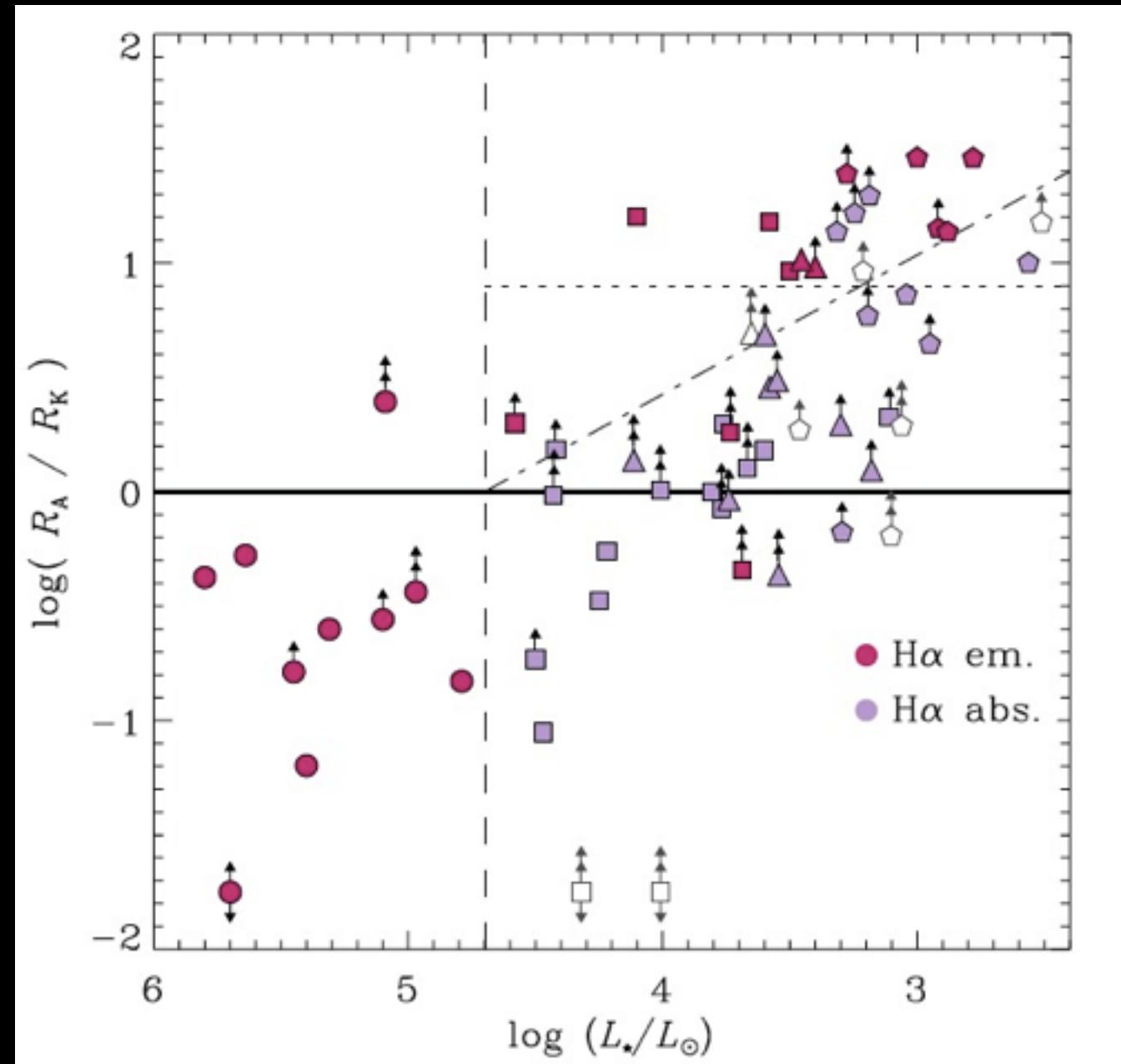
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 $\log (L_\star / L_\odot)$

O-stars

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Luminosity

Bstars

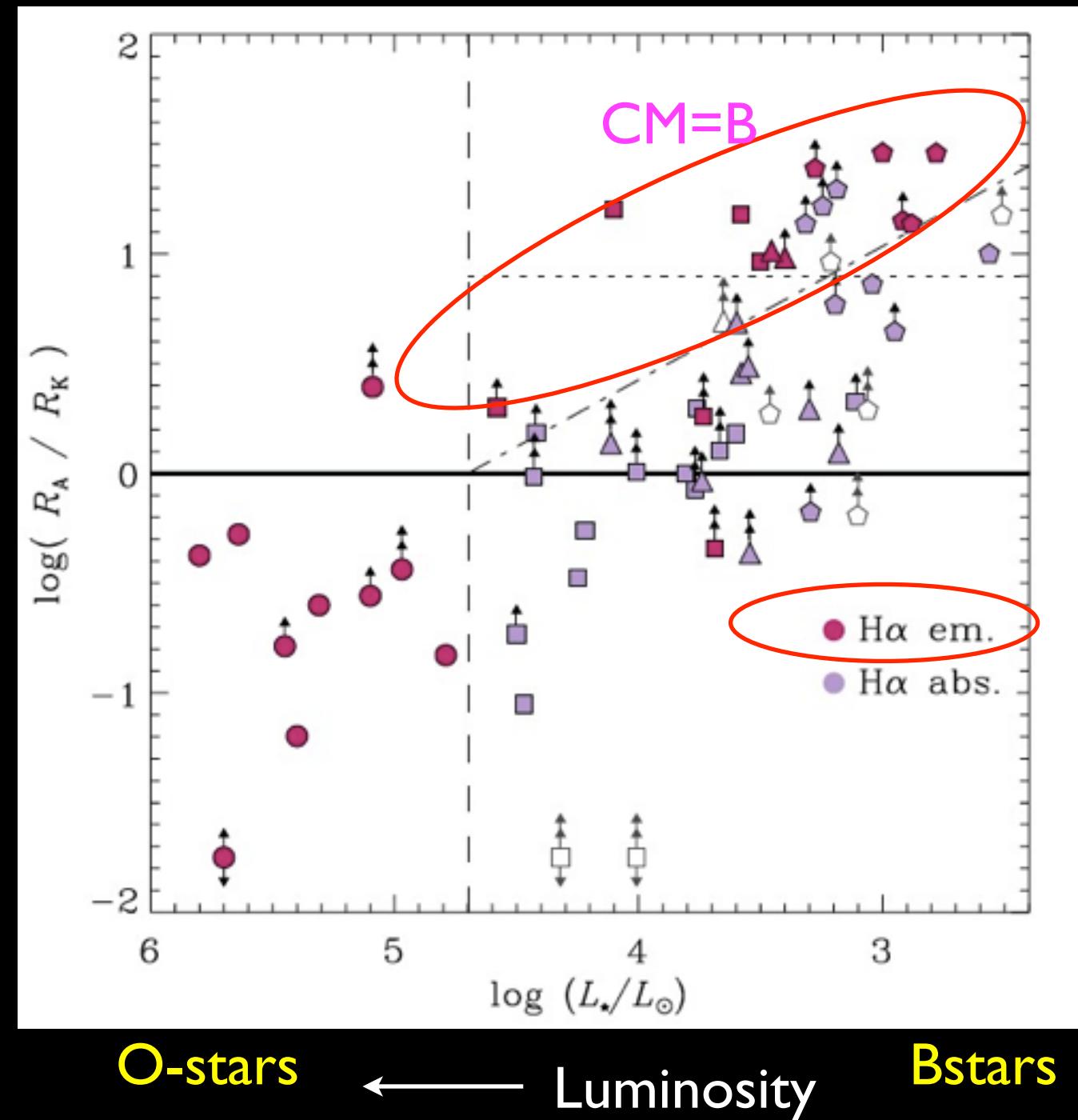


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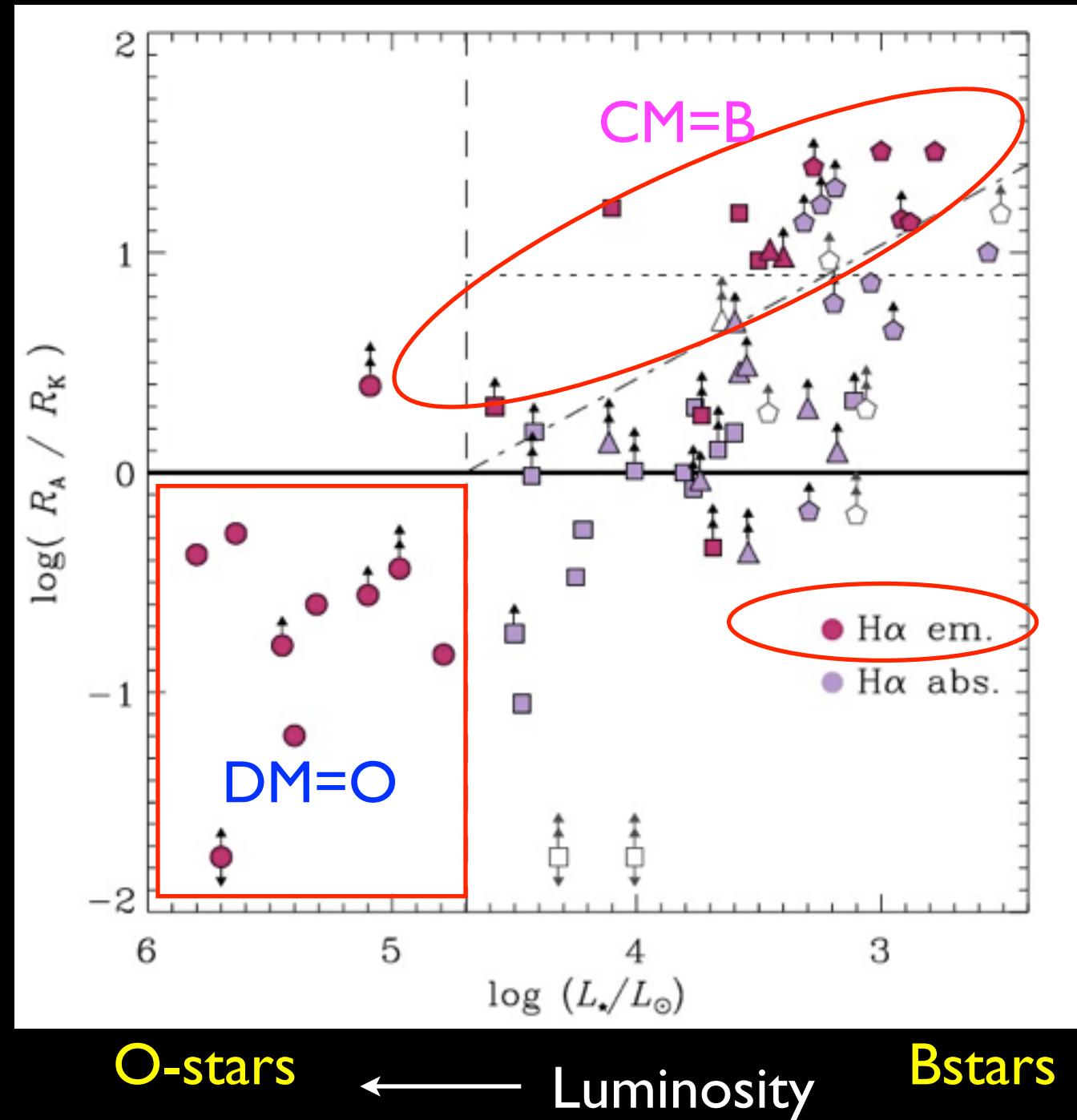


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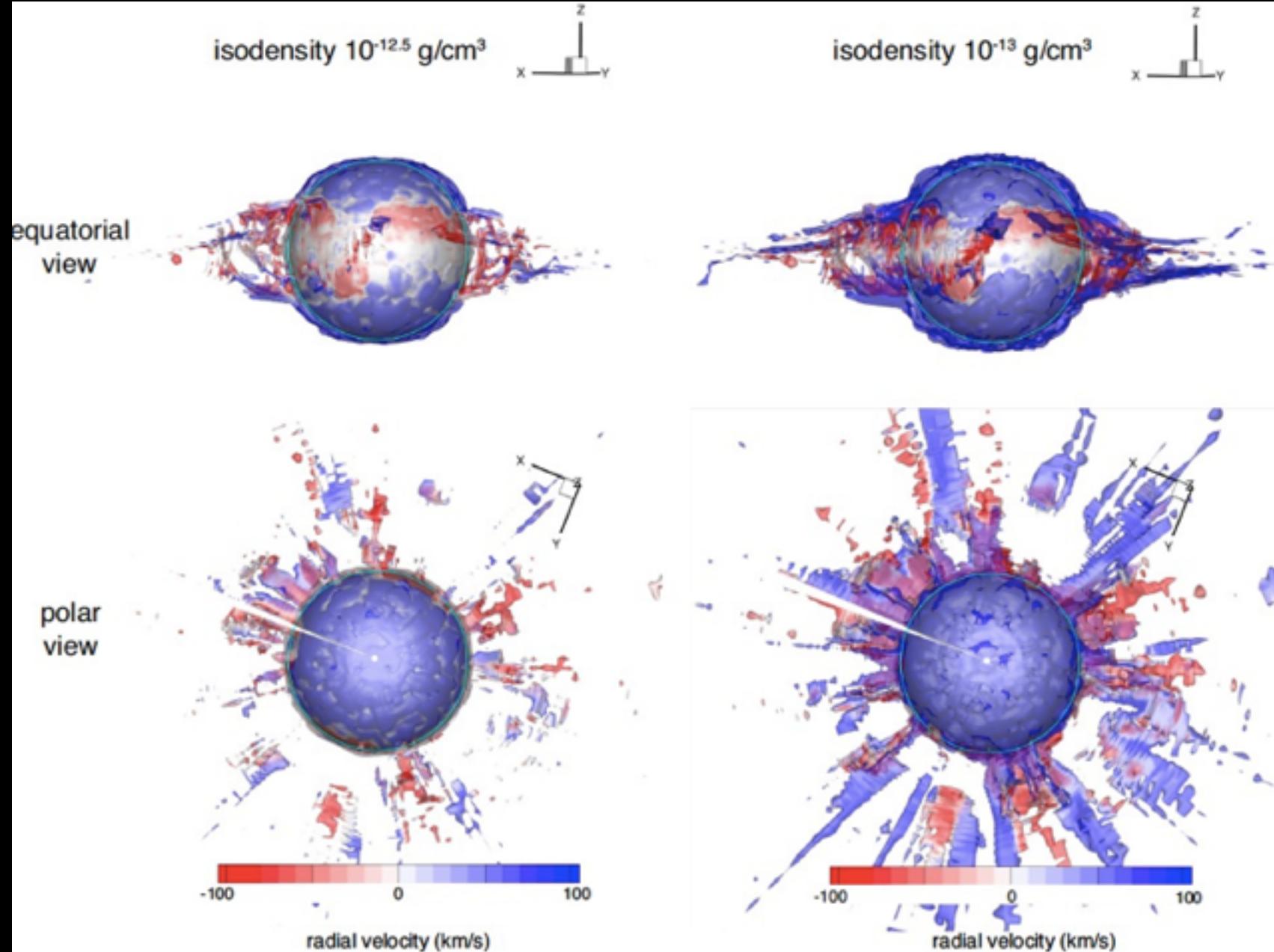


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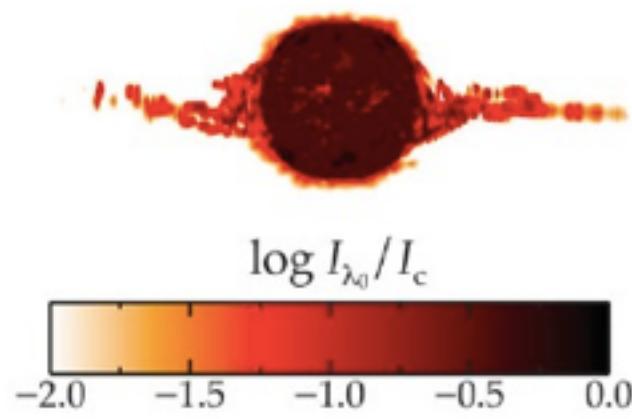


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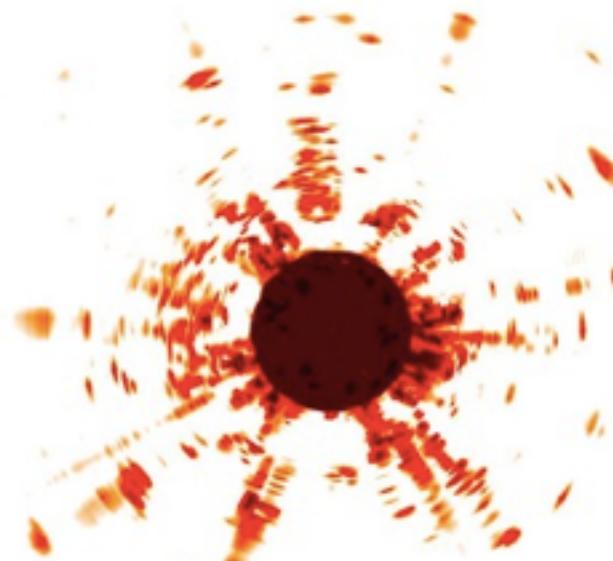
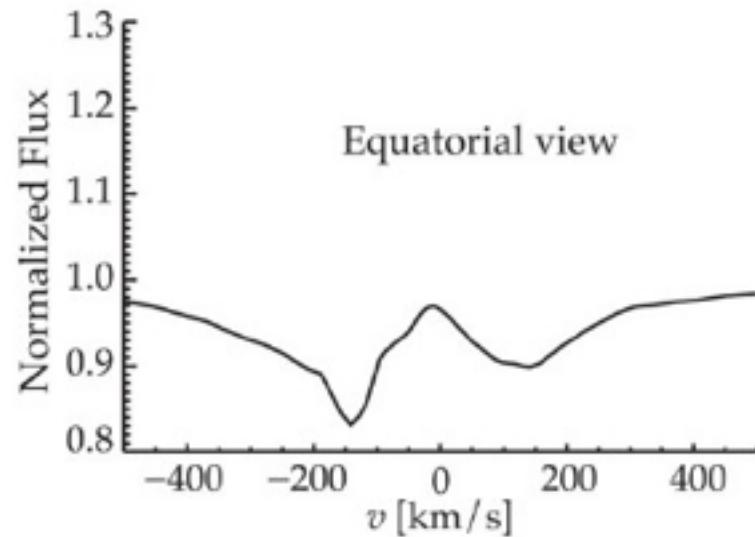


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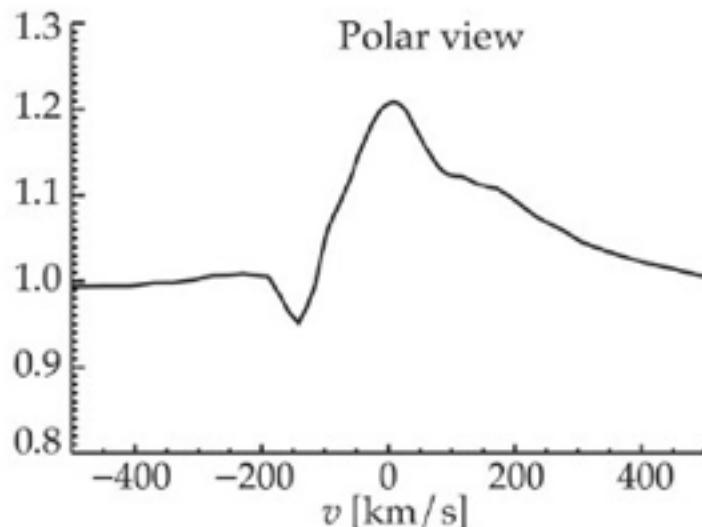
H $\alpha$  line-center Surface Brightness



H $\alpha$  Normalized Flux



Polar view



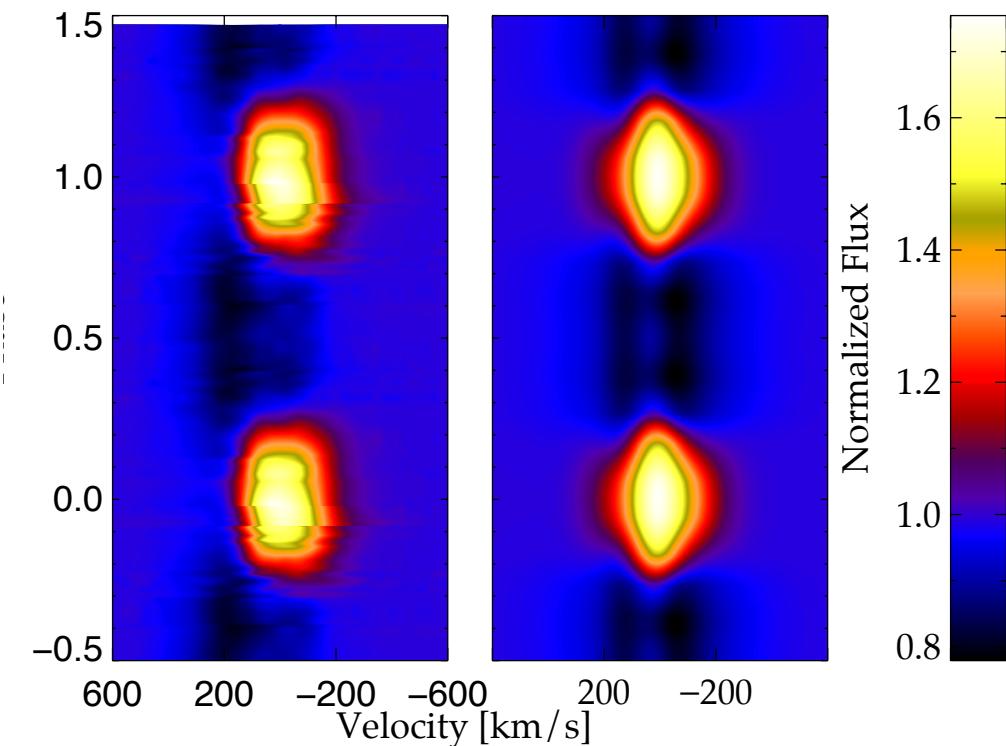
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$v\sin i < 45 \text{ km/s}$

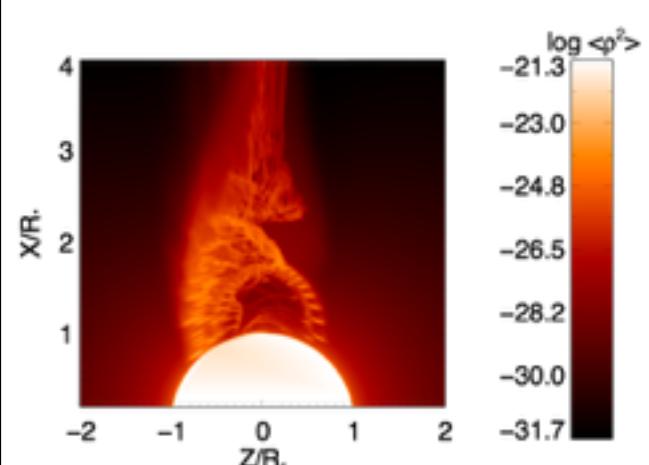
$\eta^* \sim 50$

$P_{\text{rot}} \sim 540 \text{ d}; R_{\text{Kep}} \sim 50 R^*$

$B_d \sim 2.5 \text{ kG}; R_{\text{Alf}} \sim 3 R^*$



“Dynamical”  
Magnetosphere



Sundqvist + 2012

# RRM model for $\sigma$ Ori E

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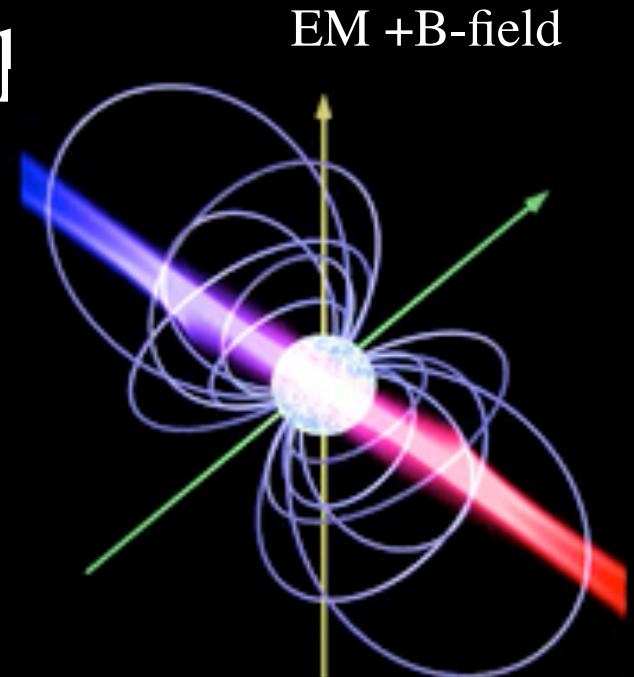
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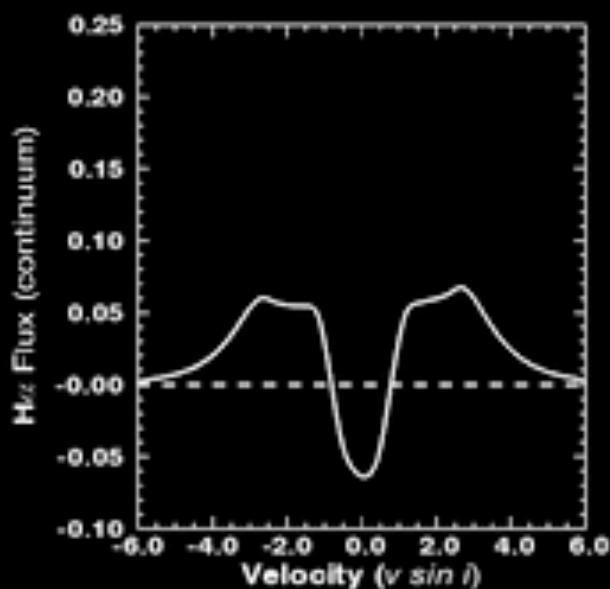
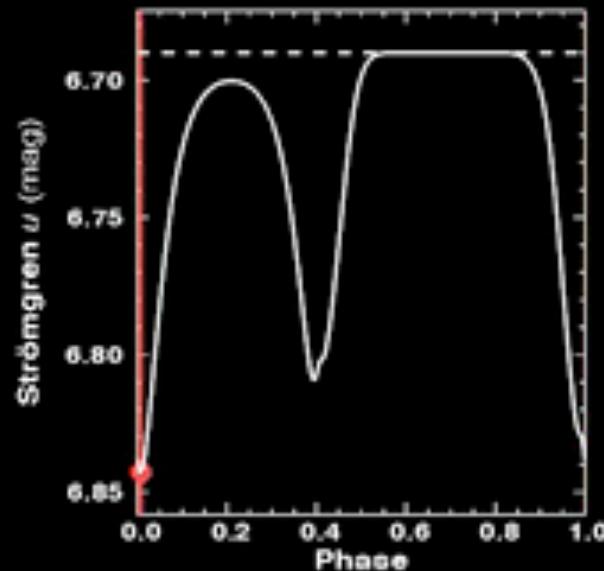
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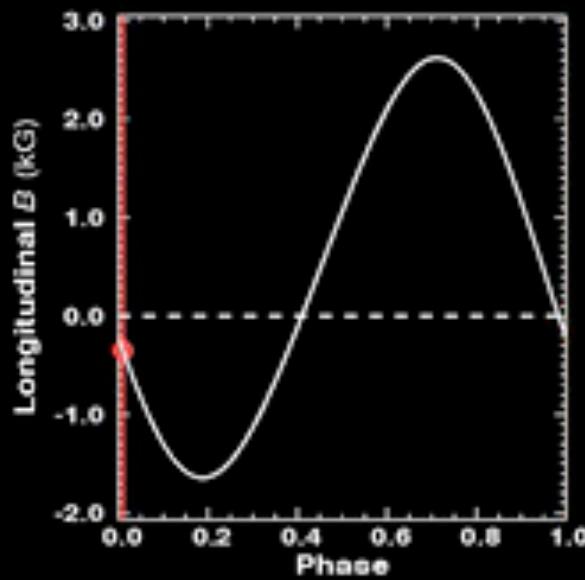


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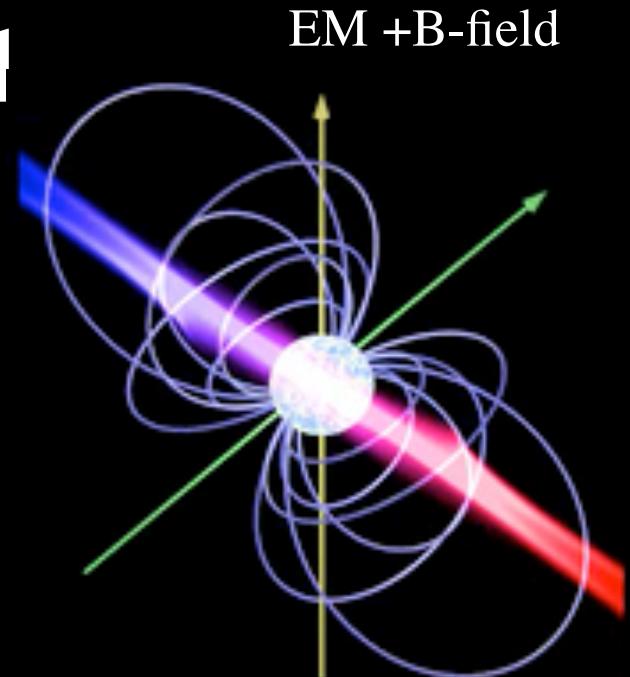
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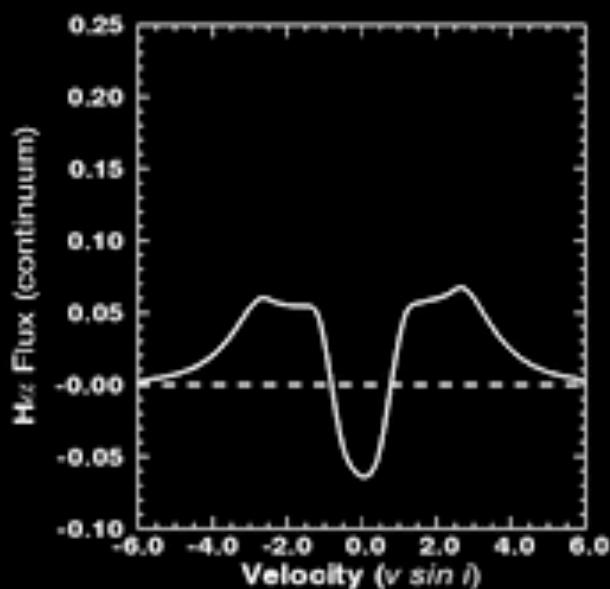
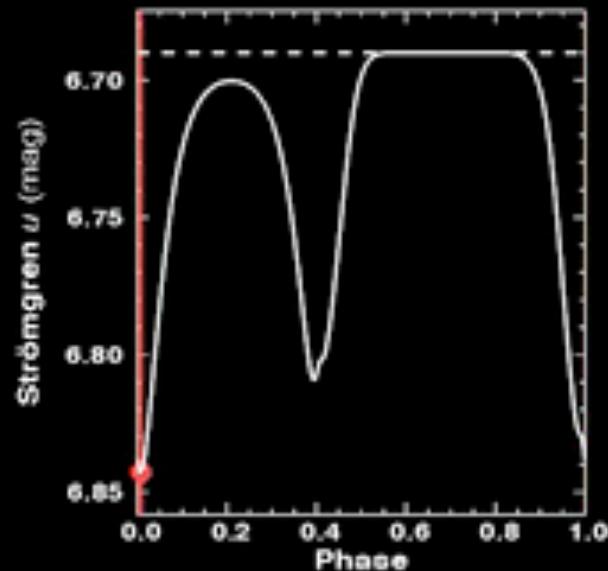
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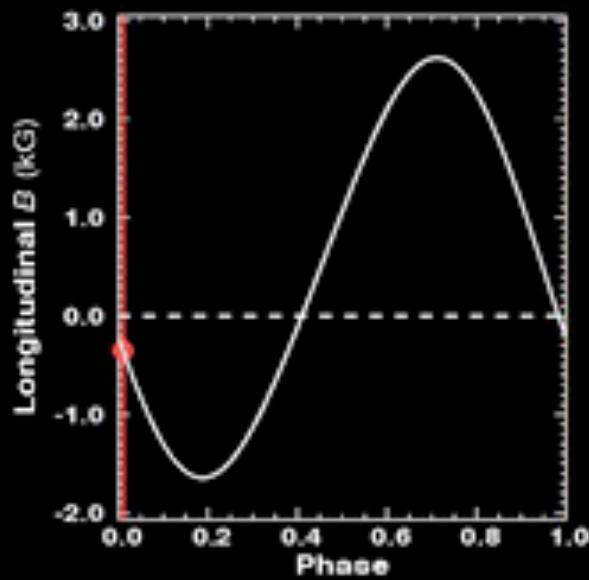


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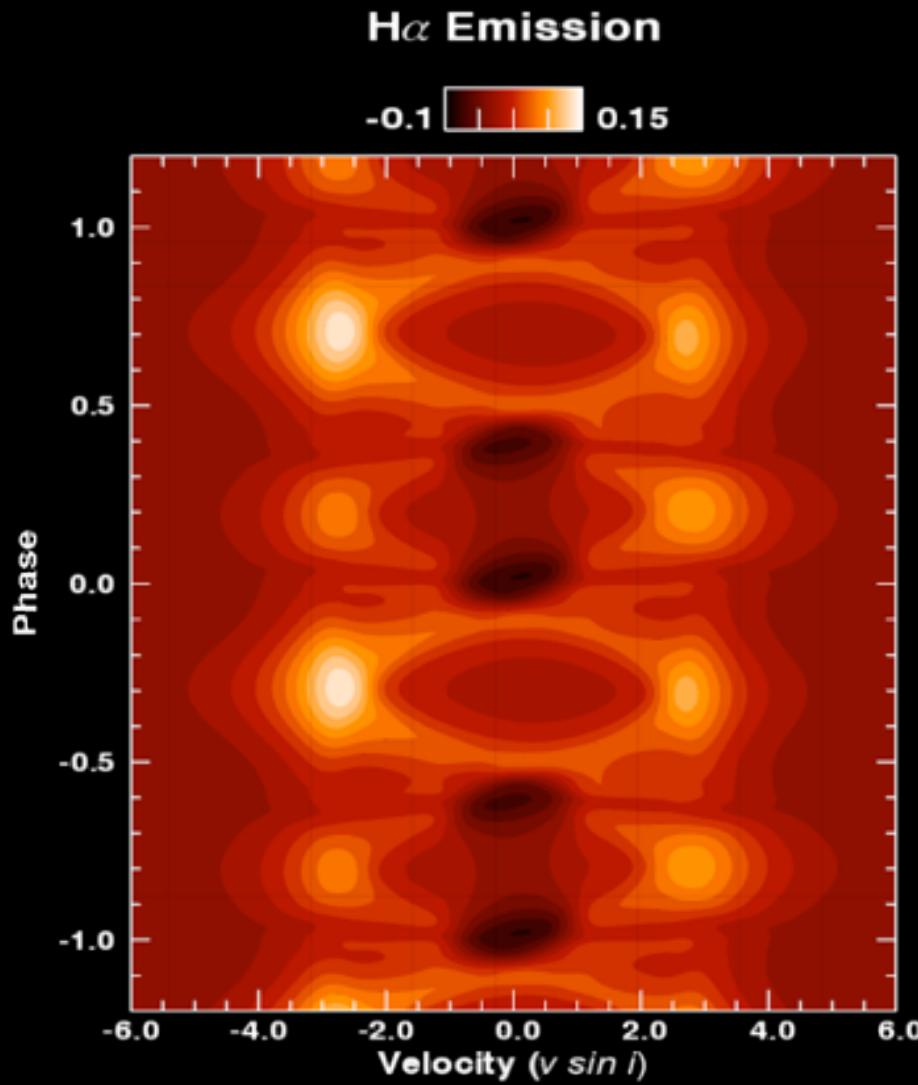
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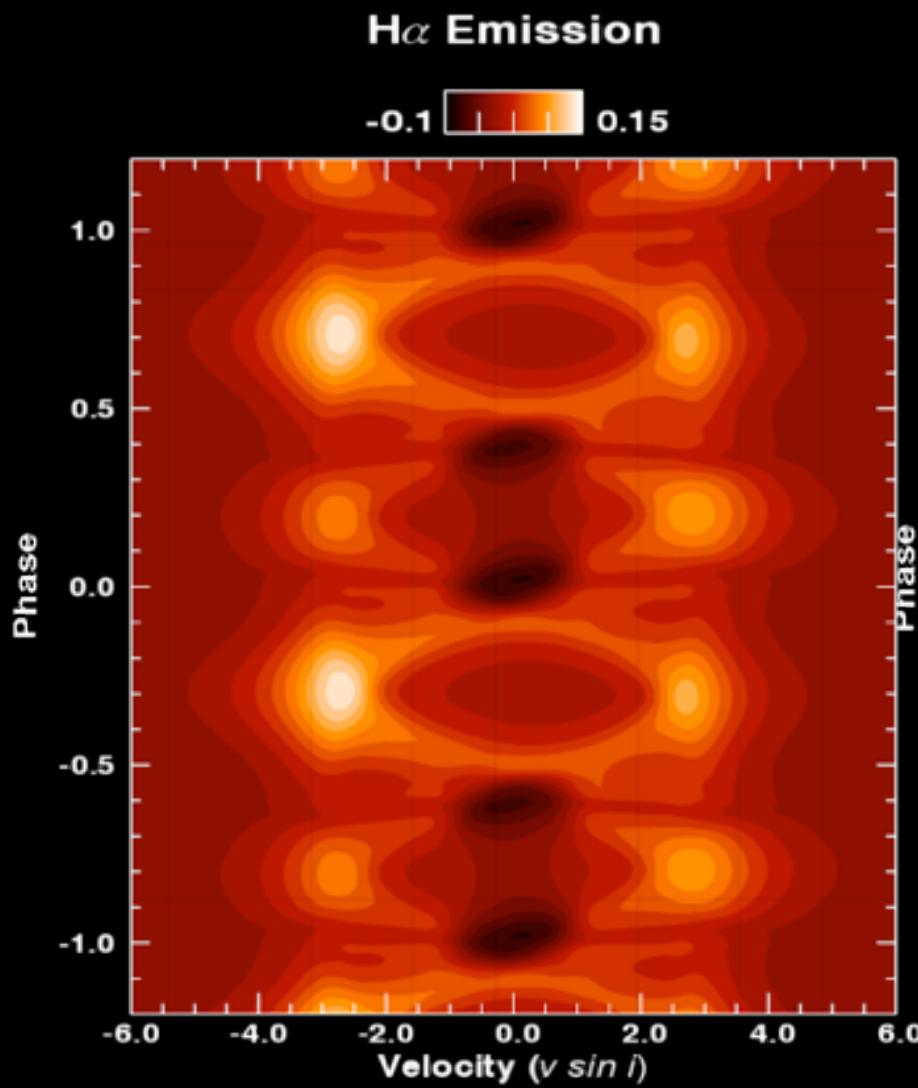
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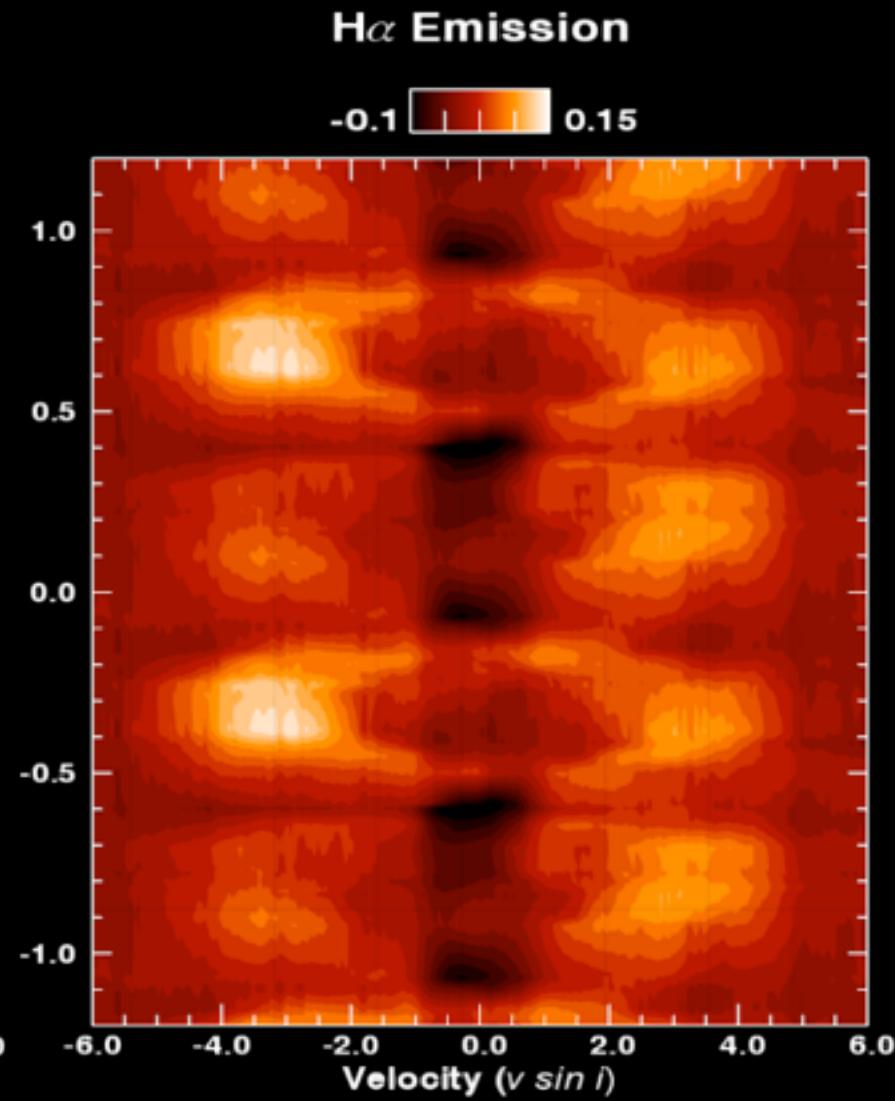


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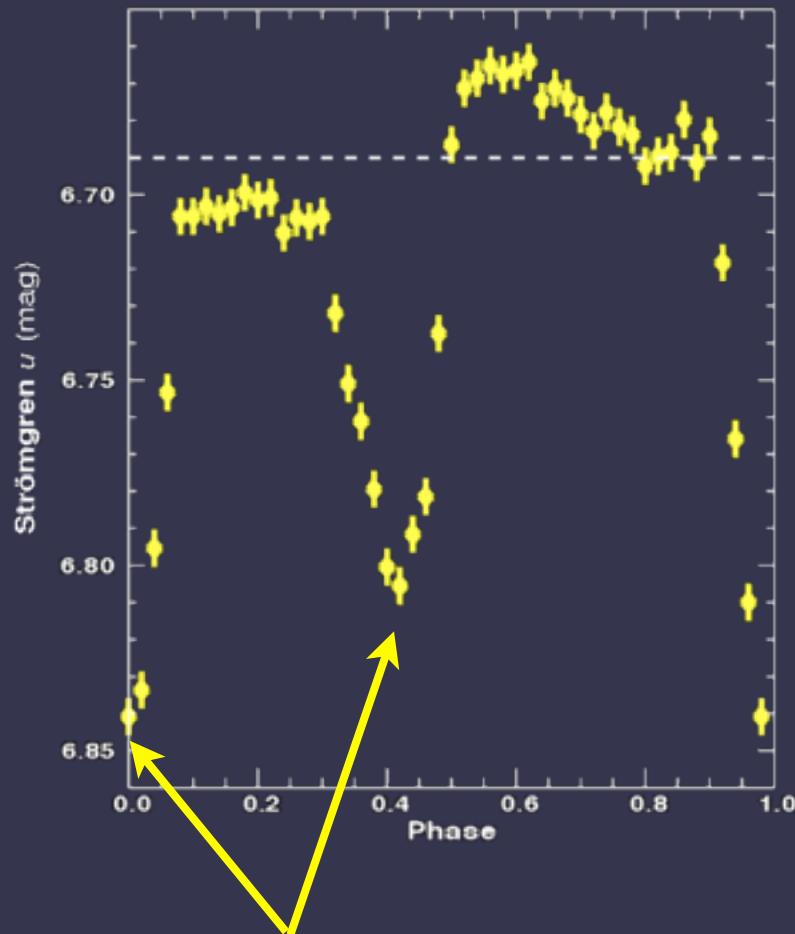


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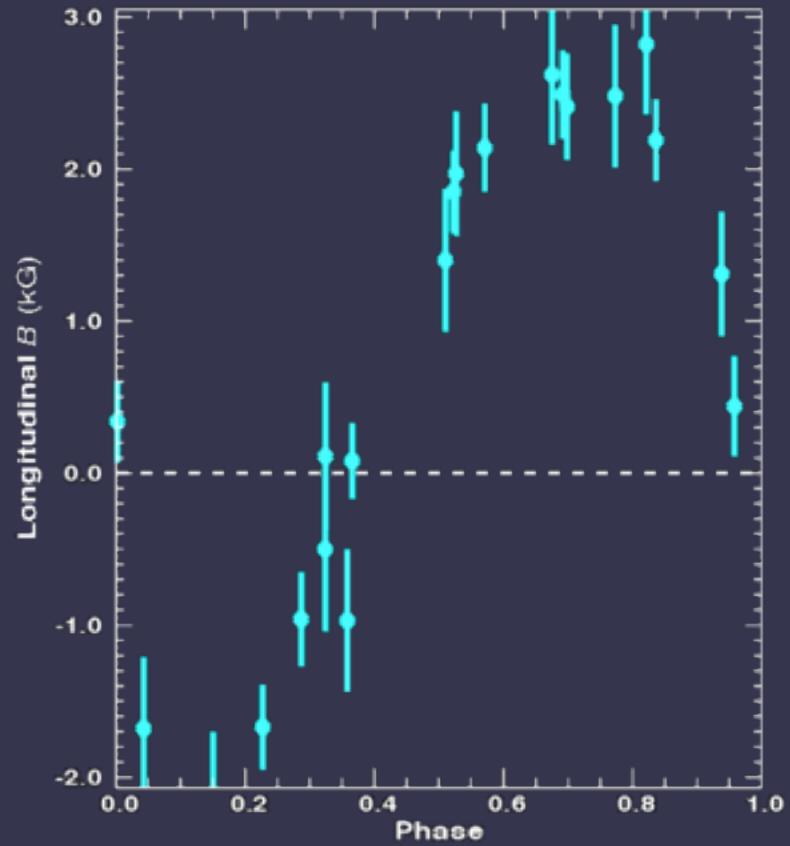
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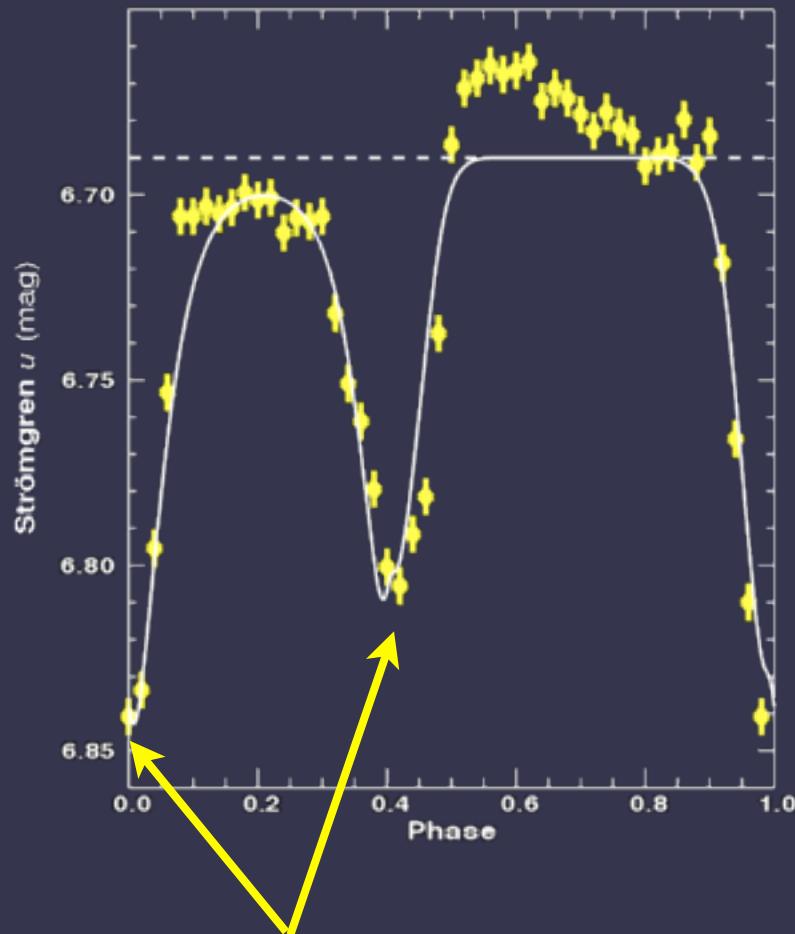
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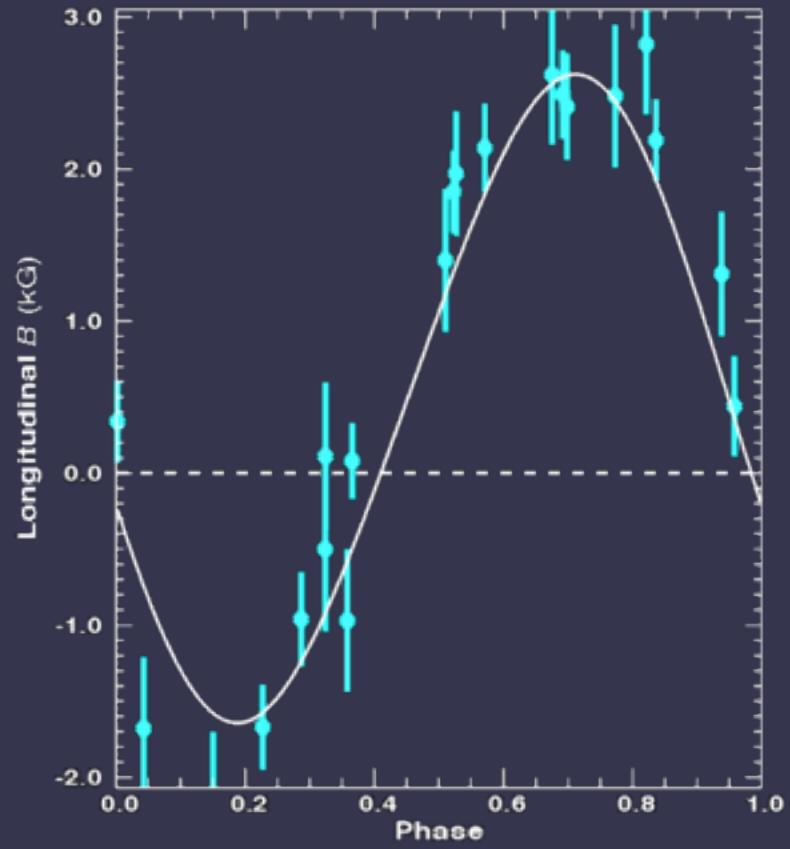
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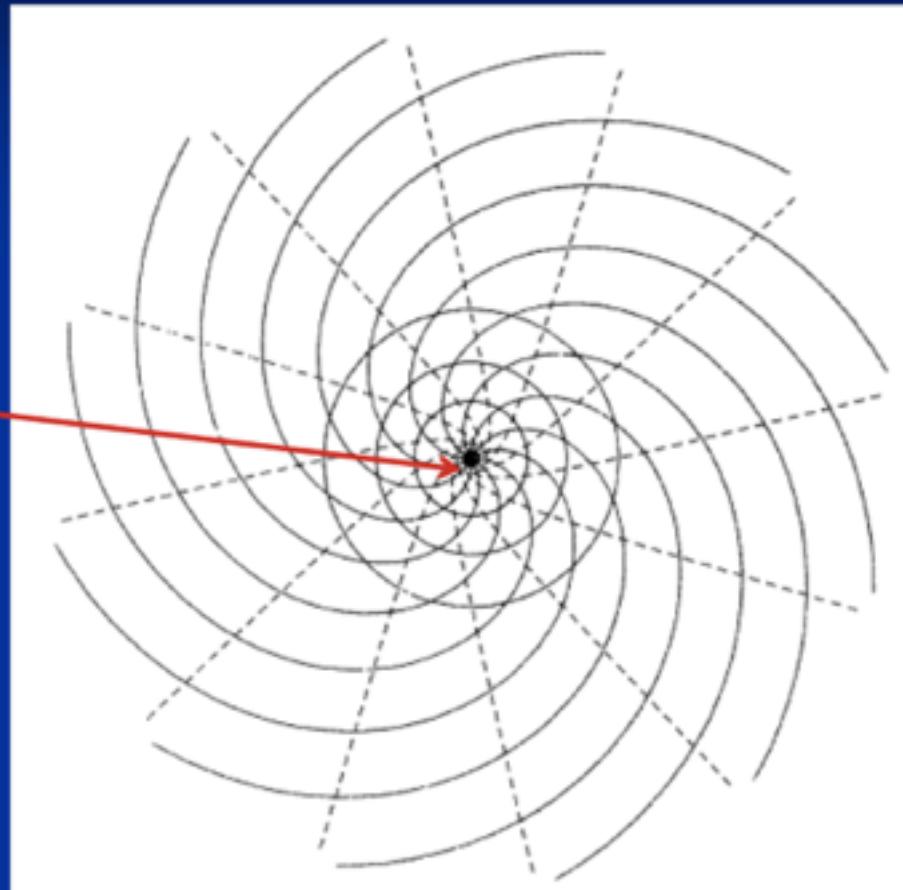
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# Angular Momentum Loss & Spindown

Weber and Davis (1967)

Monopole field at  
solar surface



$$\dot{\mathbf{J}} = \frac{2}{3} \dot{M} \Omega \mathbf{R}_A^2$$

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At  $r = R_A$ ,  
 $M_A = 1$  implies

$$j = \Omega R_A^2$$

# Spindown

contribution from both matter & field

$$\dot{J} = \frac{2}{3} \dot{M} \Omega R_A^2 \quad \frac{R_A}{R} = \eta_*^{1/2n} \quad \eta_* \equiv \frac{B_{eq}^2 R^2}{\dot{M} V}$$

$$\tau_{spin} \equiv \frac{J}{\dot{J}} \approx \frac{\frac{3}{2} I}{MR^2} \frac{M}{\dot{M}} \frac{1}{\eta_*^{1/n}} = \tau_{mass} \frac{\frac{3}{2} k}{\eta_*^{1/n}}$$

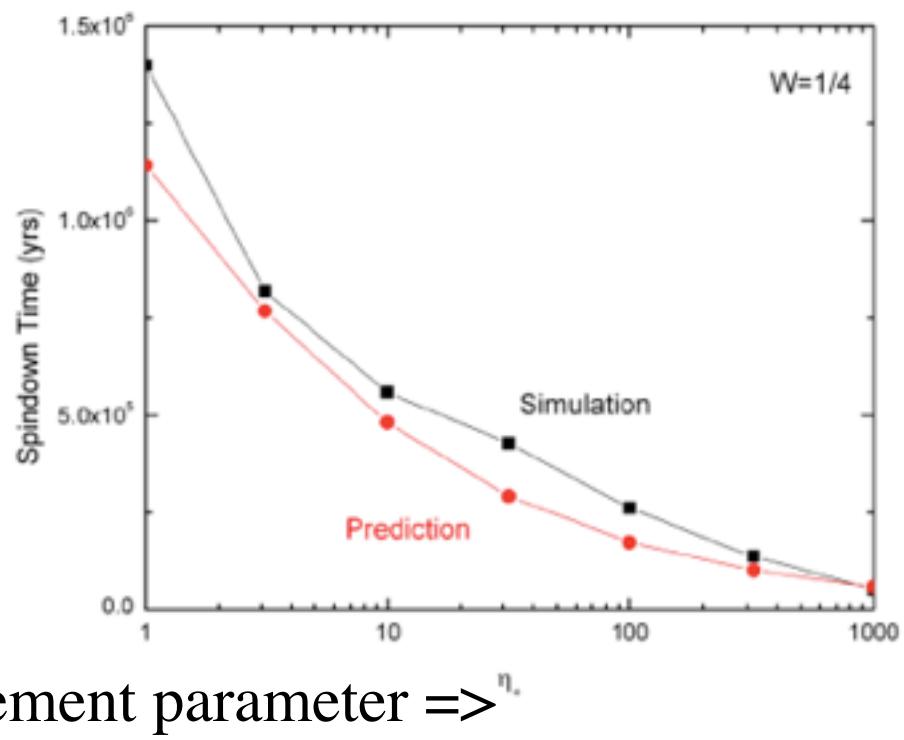
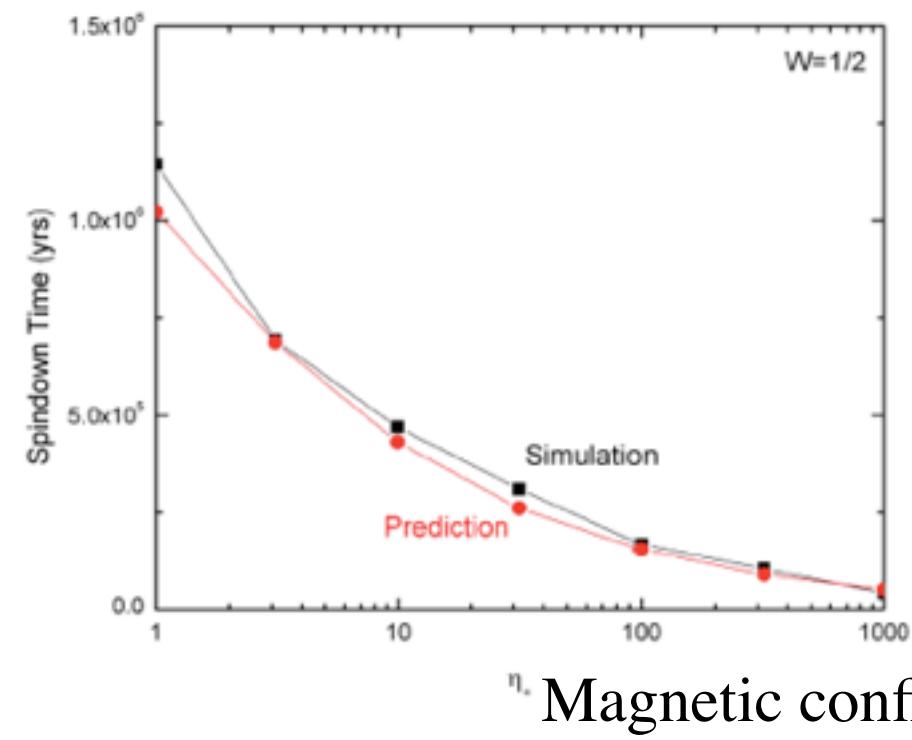
For dipole (n=2):  $\frac{\tau_{spin}}{\tau_{mass}} \approx \frac{0.15}{\sqrt{\eta_*}}$

# Spindown Time

Results from MHD sims for dipole field ( $n=2$ )

$W=1/2$

$W=1/4$

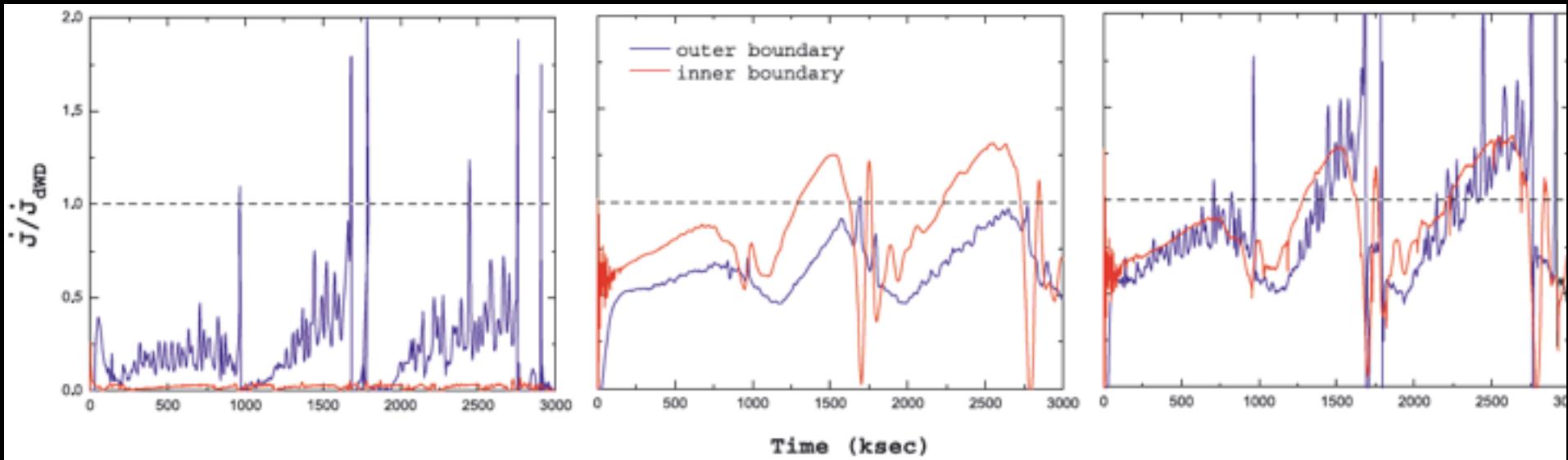


# Time variation of total Angular Momentum Loss

Gas

Field

Total



# Predicted spindown times

Table 1. Estimated spin-down time for selected known magnetic stars.

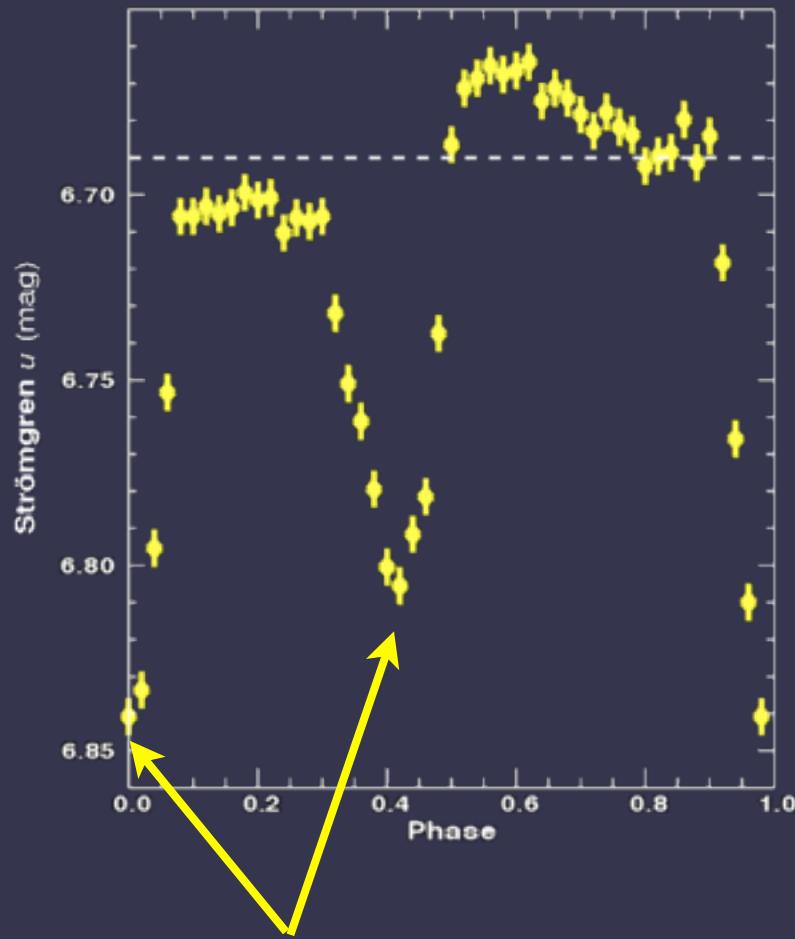
Star <sup>a</sup>	$M/M_{\odot}$	$R_*/R_{\odot}$	P (d)	$k$	$\dot{M} (10^{-9} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1})$	$v_{\infty} (1000 \text{ km s}^{-1})$	$B_p (\text{kG})$	$\eta_*$	$\tau_{\text{spin}} (\text{Myr})$
$\theta^1 \text{ Ori C}^1$	40	8	15.4	0.28	400	2.5	1.1	15.7	8
HD191612 <sup>2</sup>	40	18	538	0.17	6100	2.5	1.6	7.6	0.4
$\zeta \text{ Cas}^3$	8	5.9	5.37	0.1	0.3	0.8	0.34	3200	65.2
$\sigma \text{ Ori E}^4$	8.9	5.3	1.2	0.1	2.4	1.46	9.6	$1.4 \times 10^5$	1.4
$\rho \text{ Leo}^5$	22	35	7.47	0.12	630	1.1	0.24	20	1.1

$$\tau_{\text{spin}} \approx \tau_{\text{mass}} \frac{\frac{3}{2}k}{\sqrt{\eta_*}}$$
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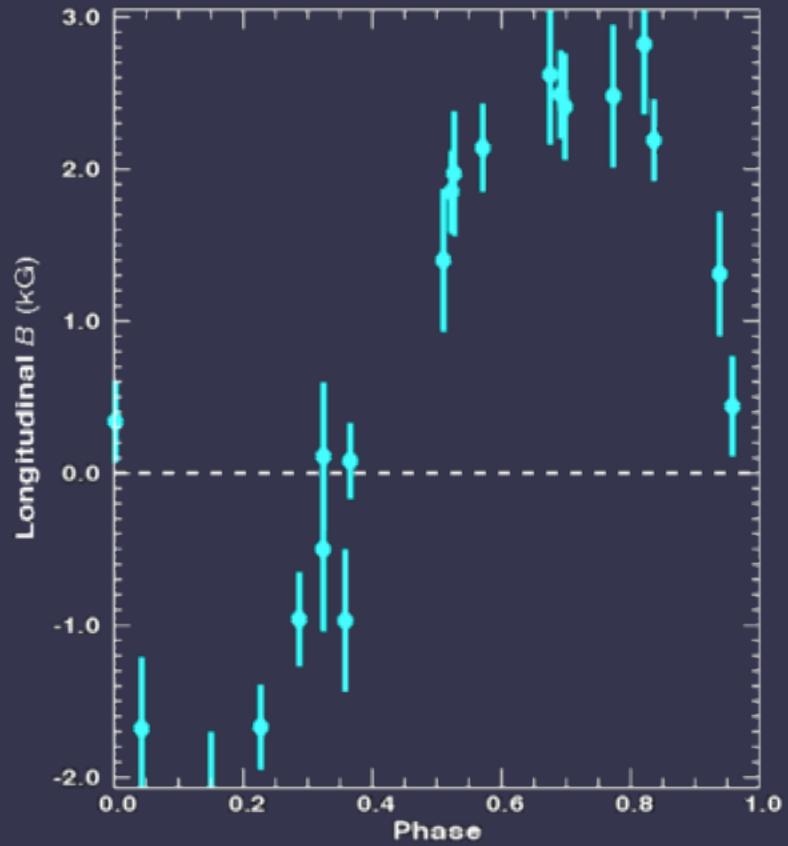
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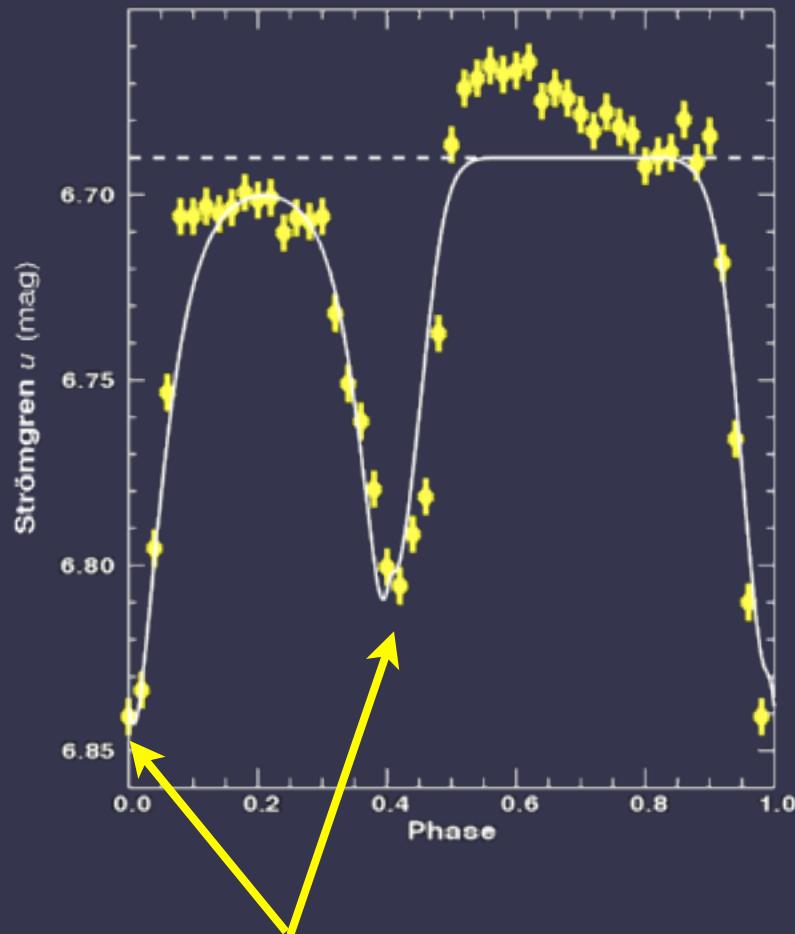
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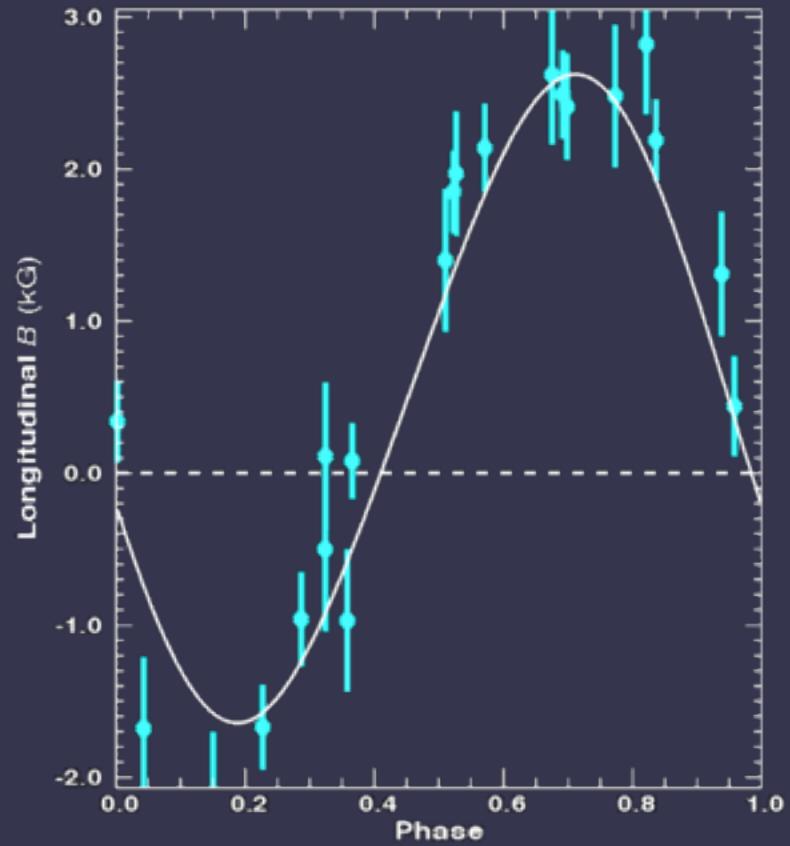
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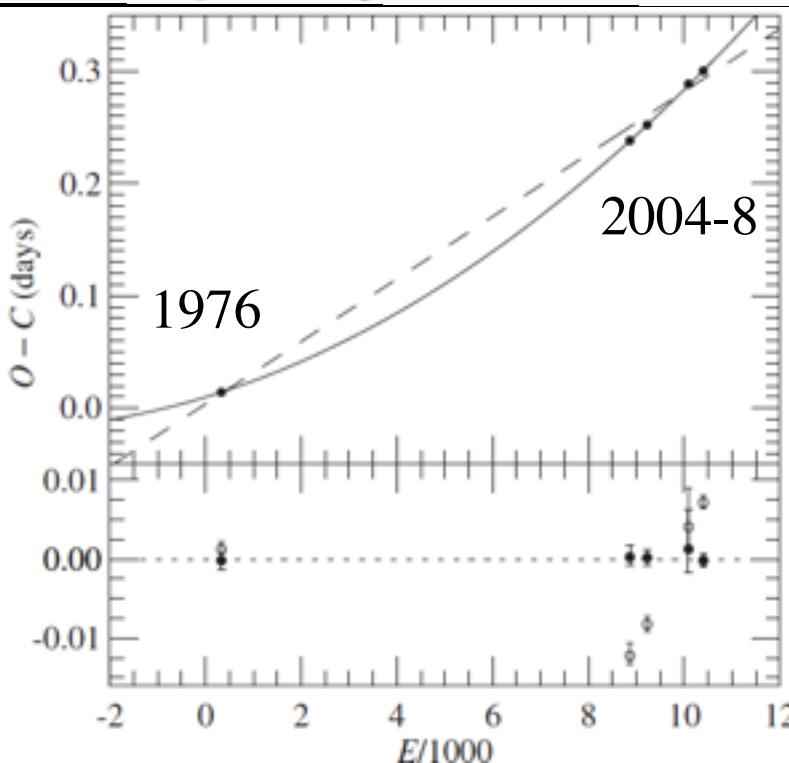
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### ABSTRACT

We present new *U*-band photometry of the magnetic helium-strong star  $\sigma$  Ori E, obtained over 2004–2009 using the SMARTS 0.9 m telescope at Cerro Tololo Inter-American Observatory. When combined with historical measurements, these data constrain the evolution of the star's 1.19 day rotation period over the past three decades. We are able to rule out a constant period at the  $p_{\text{null}} = 0.05\%$  level, and instead find that the data are well described ( $p_{\text{null}} = 99.3\%$ ) by a period increasing linearly at a rate of 77 ms per year. This corresponds to a characteristic spin-down time of 1.34 Myr, in good agreement with theoretical predictions based on magnetohydrodynamical simulations of angular momentum loss from magnetic massive stars. We therefore conclude that the observations are consistent with  $\sigma$  Ori E undergoing rotational braking due to its magnetized line-driven wind.



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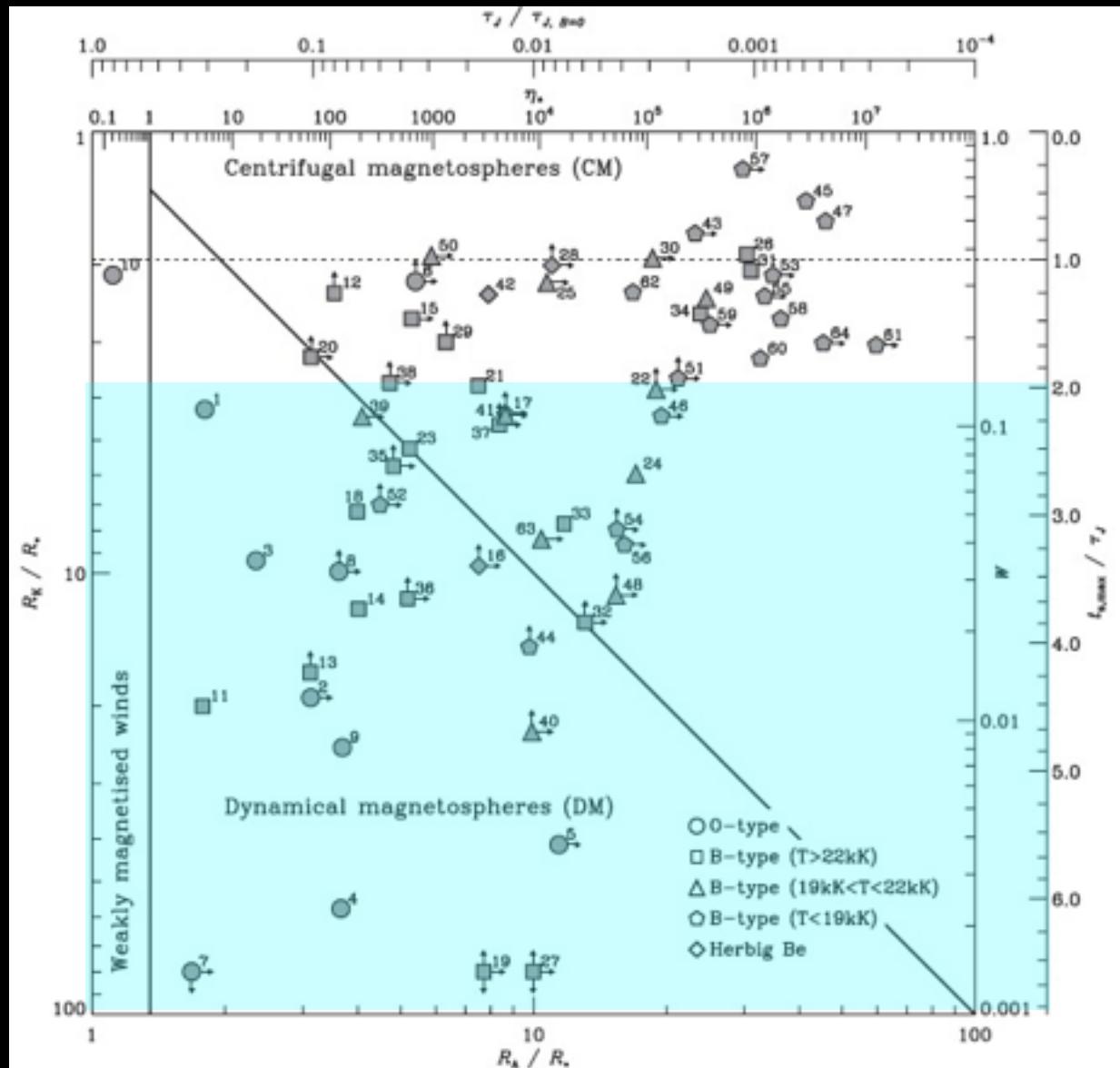
← Spindown time

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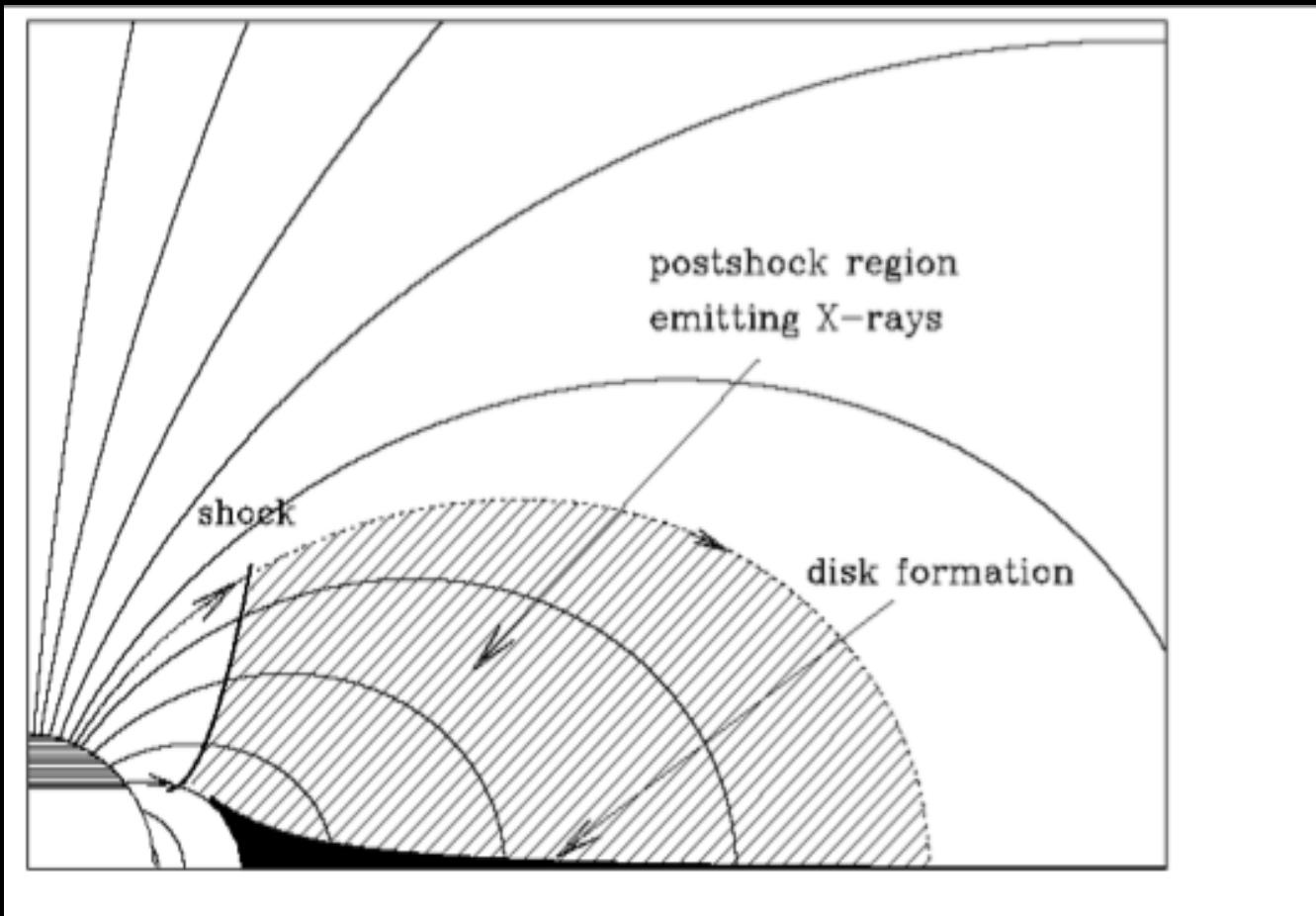
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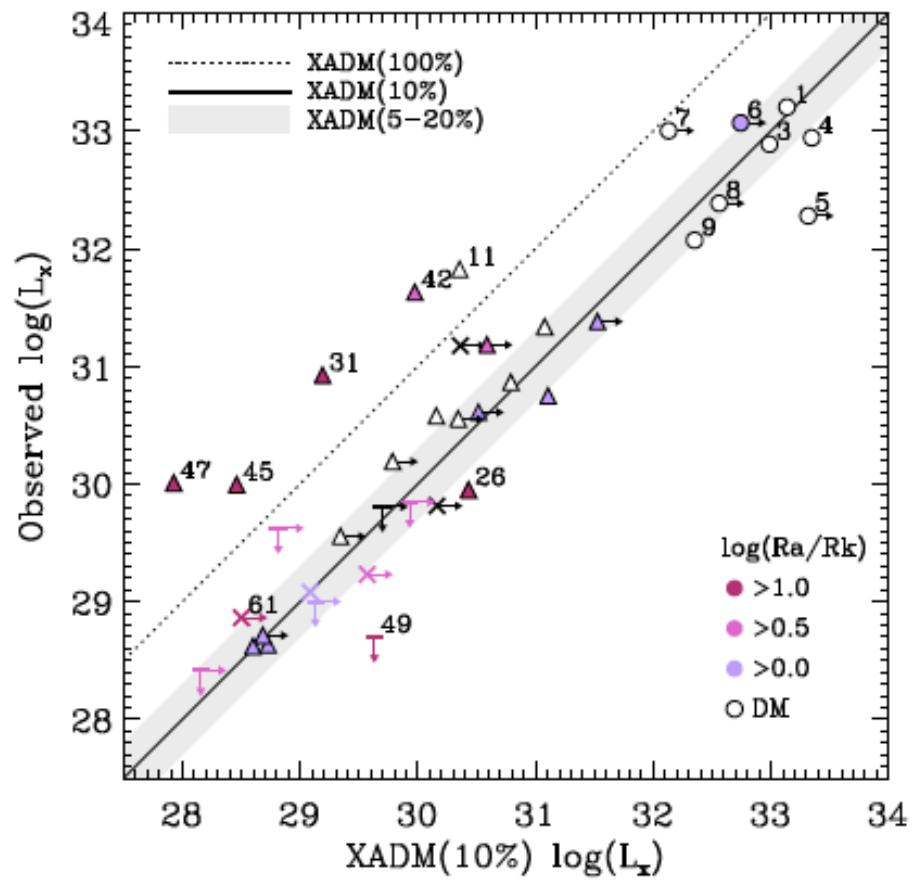
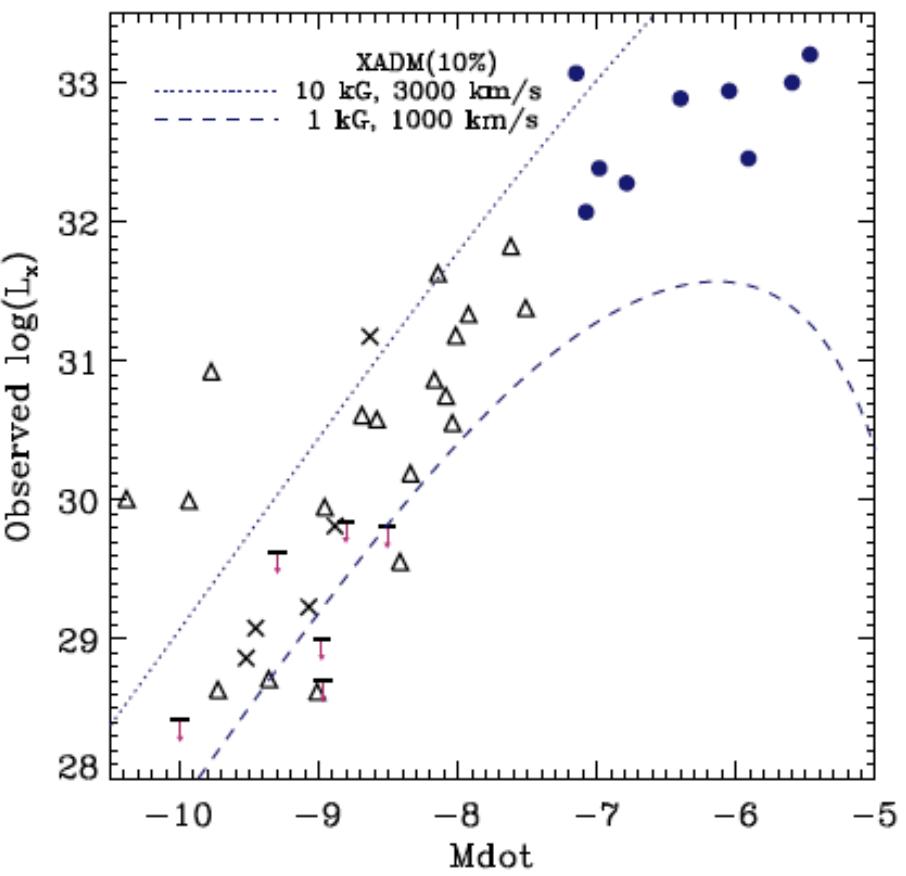
Babel & Montmerle 1997



# L<sub>x</sub> vs. Mdot

## observations vs. XADM theory

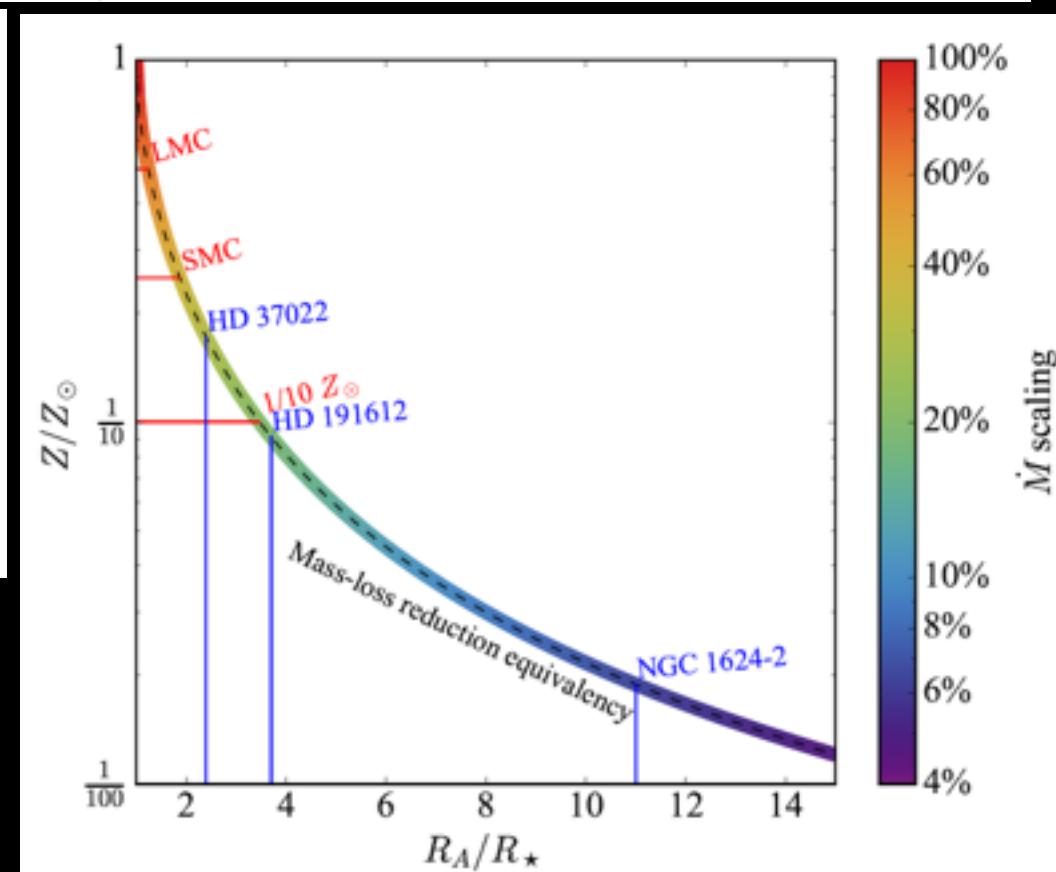
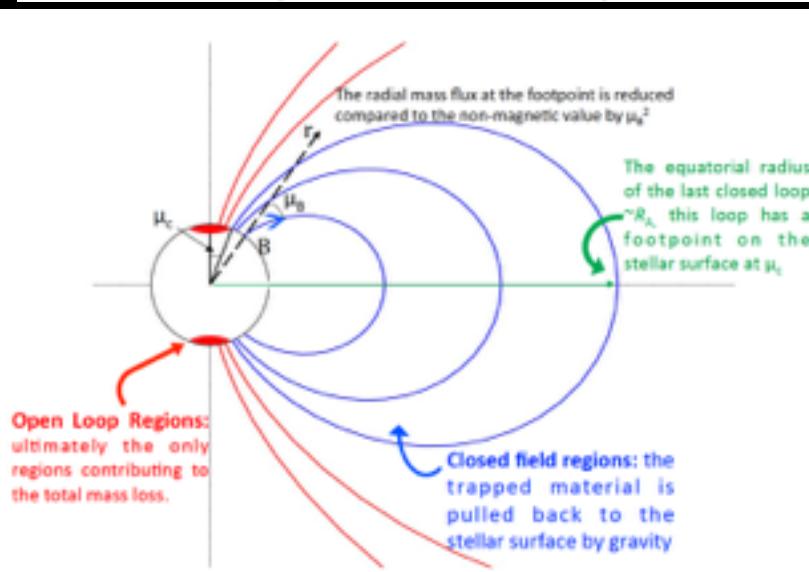
Naze + 2014





# Magnetic massive stars as progenitors of ‘heavy’ stellar-mass black holes

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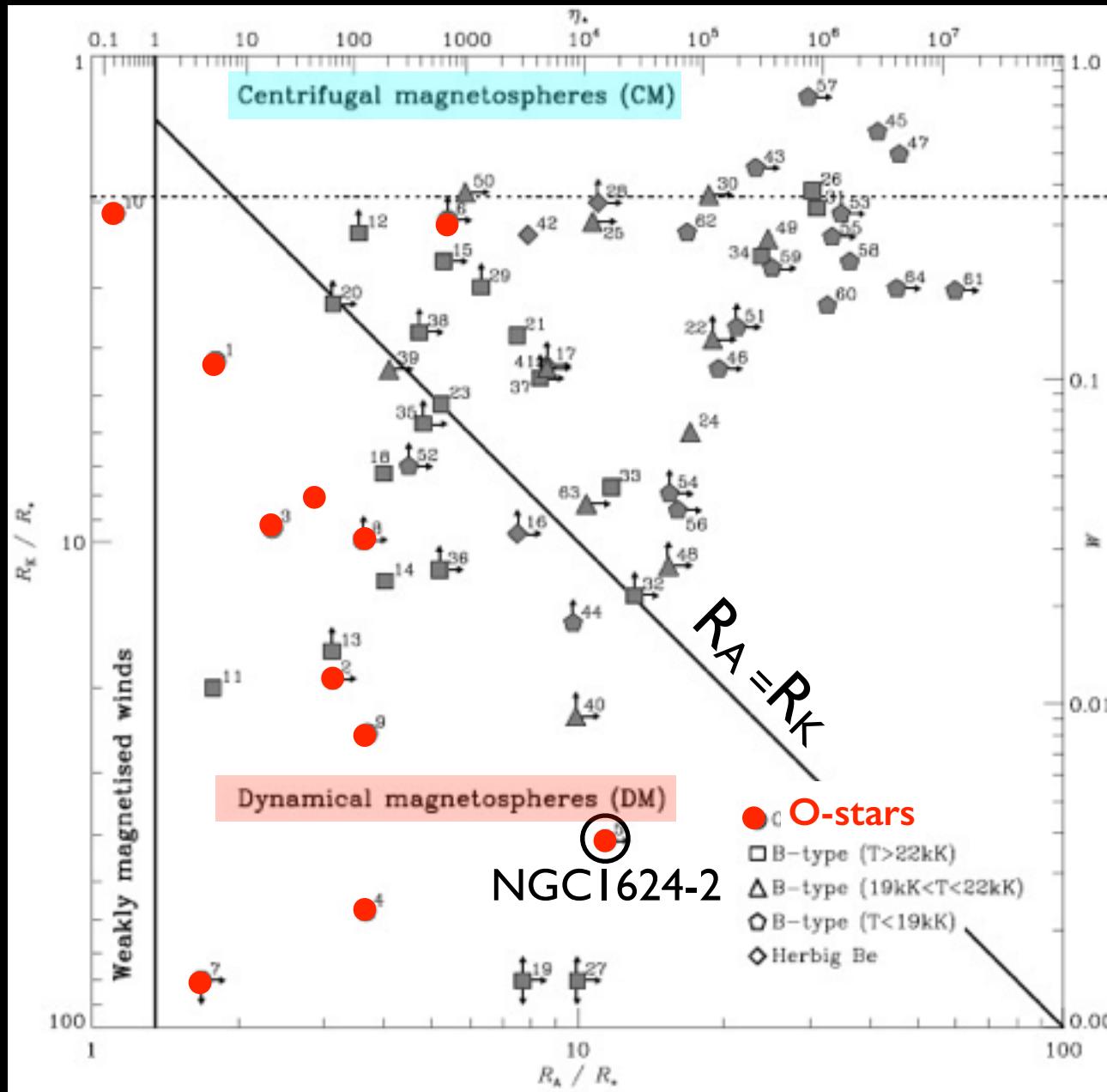
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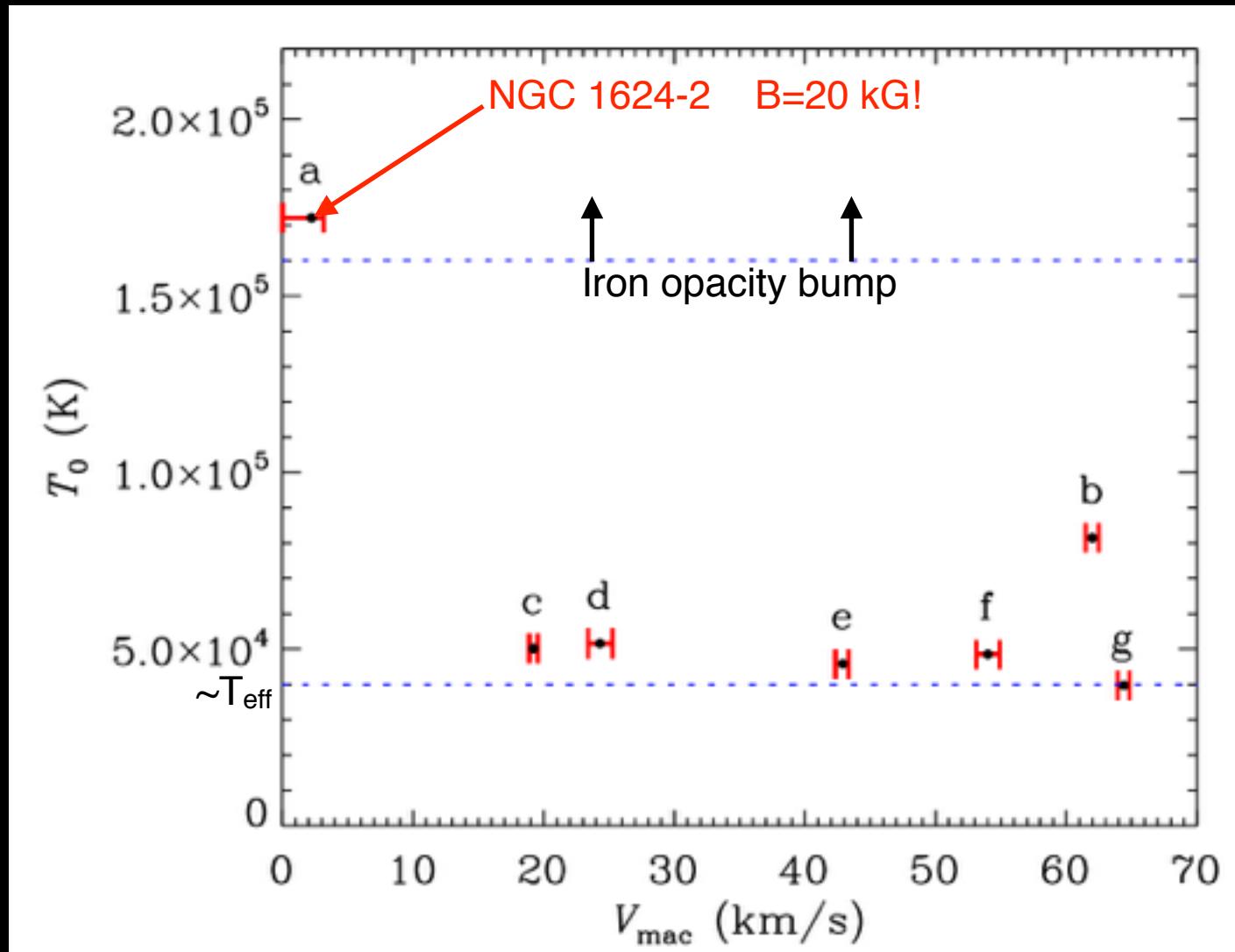


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# Magnetic inhibition of macroturbulence

Sundqvist+ 2013

$T_0$ =  
Equipartition  
temperature  
where  
 $P_{\text{mag}} = P_{\text{gas}}$



macroturbulent speed inferred from observed line broadening

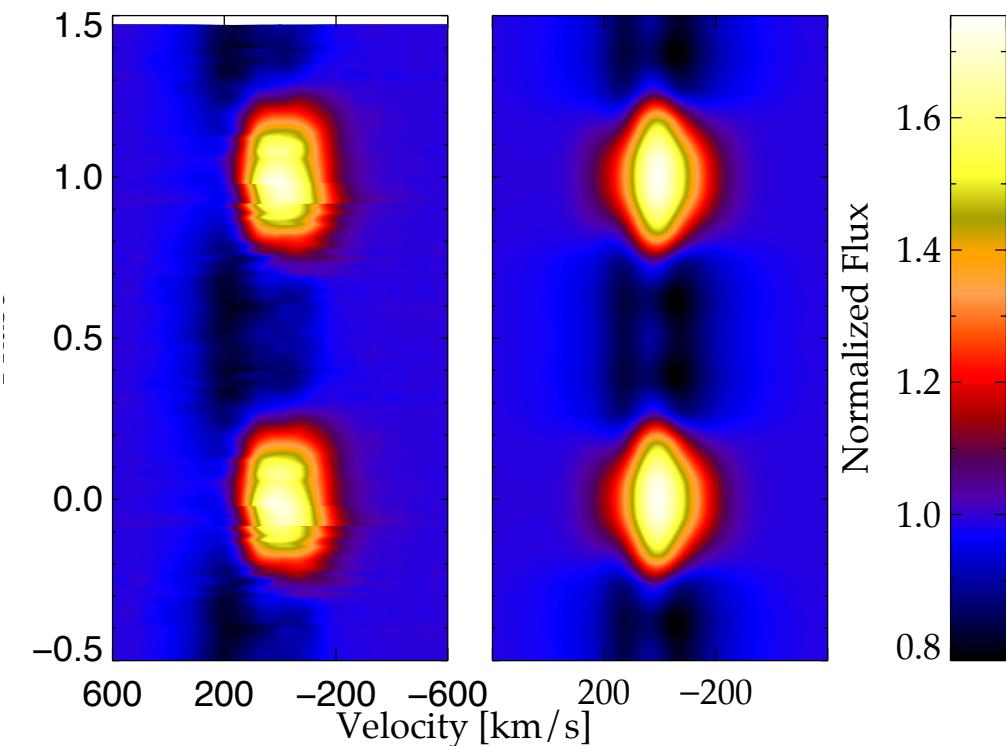
# HD 191612 (Of?p)

$v\sin i < 45 \text{ km/s}$

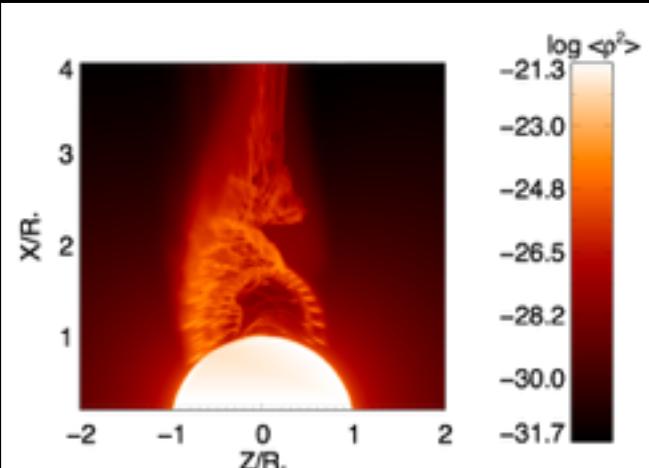
$\eta^* \sim 50$

$P_{\text{rot}} \sim 540 \text{ d}; R_{\text{Kep}} \sim 50 R^*$

$B_d \sim 2.5 \text{ kG}; R_{\text{Alf}} \sim 3 R^*$



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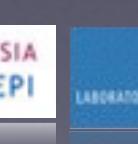
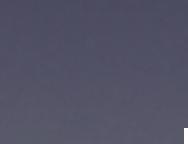
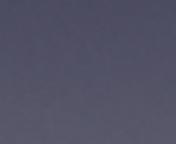
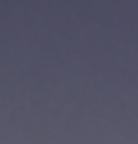
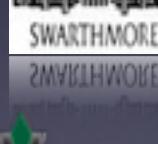
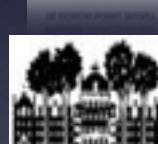
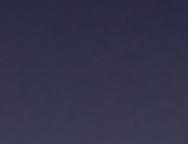
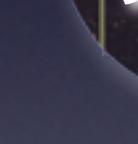
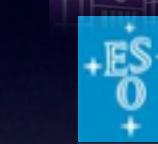
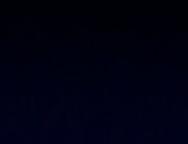
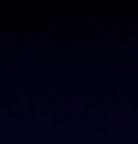
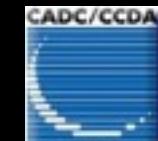
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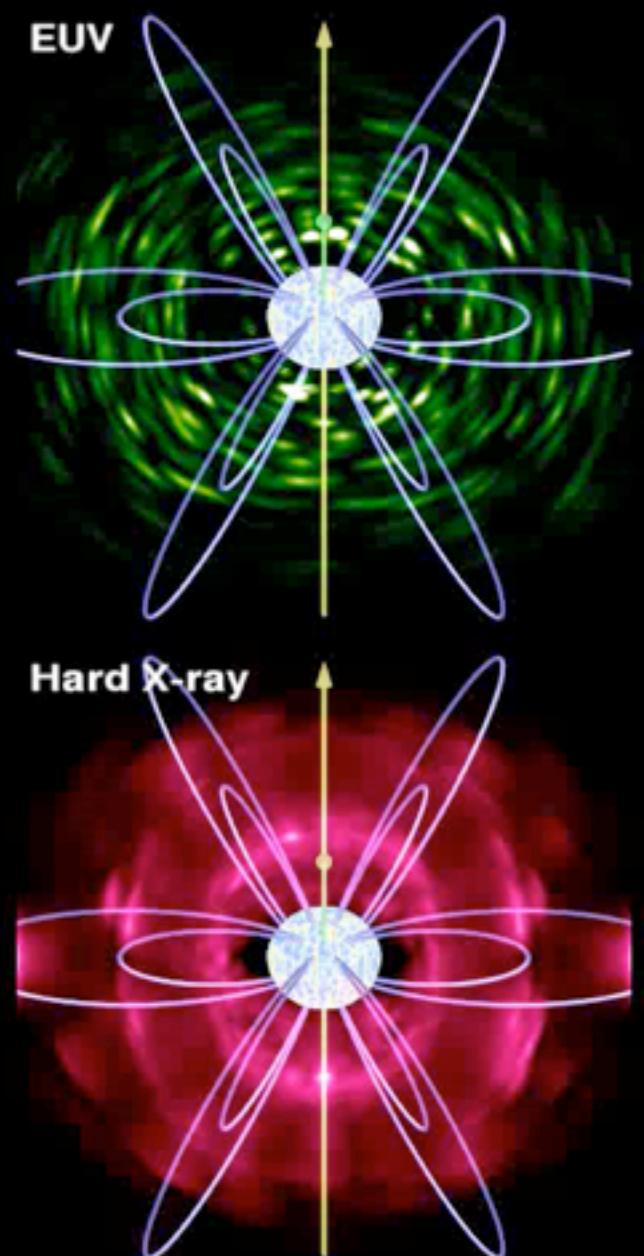
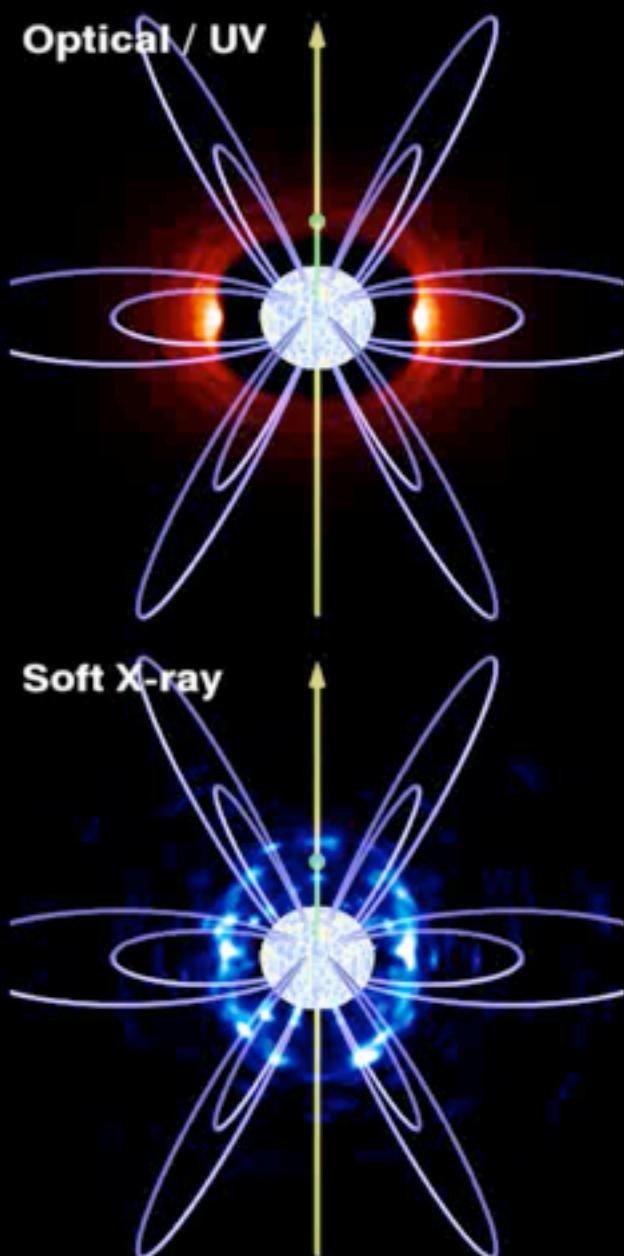
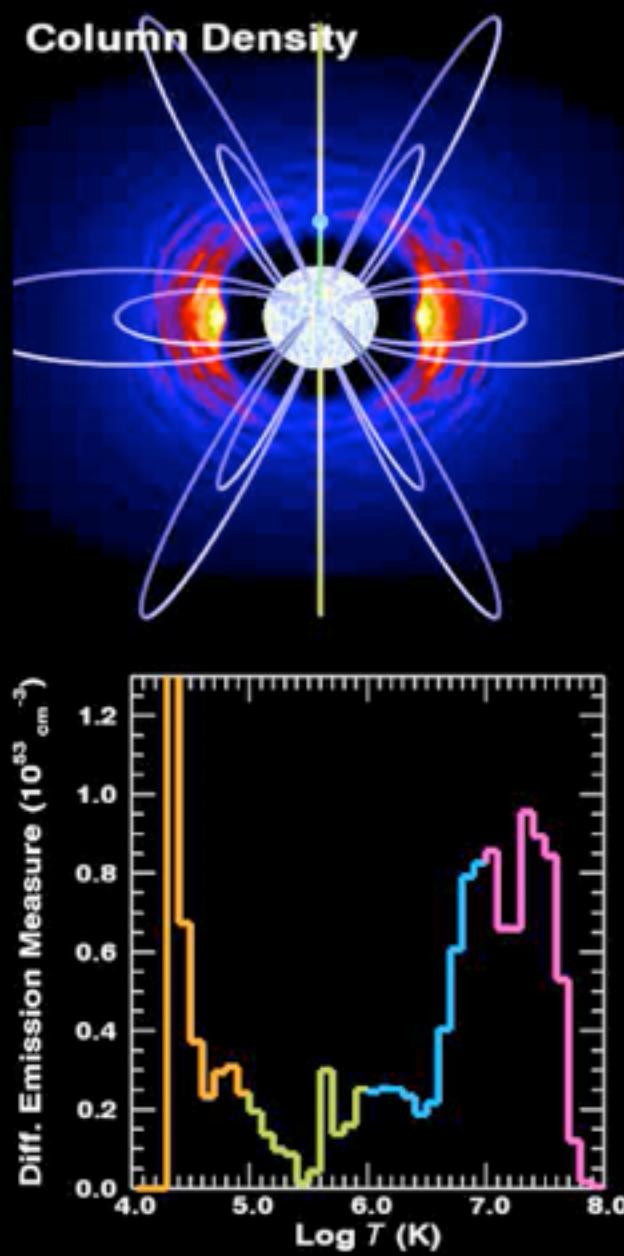


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