



# Weak $s$ Process in Massive Stars: Predictions & Nuclear and stellar Uncertainties

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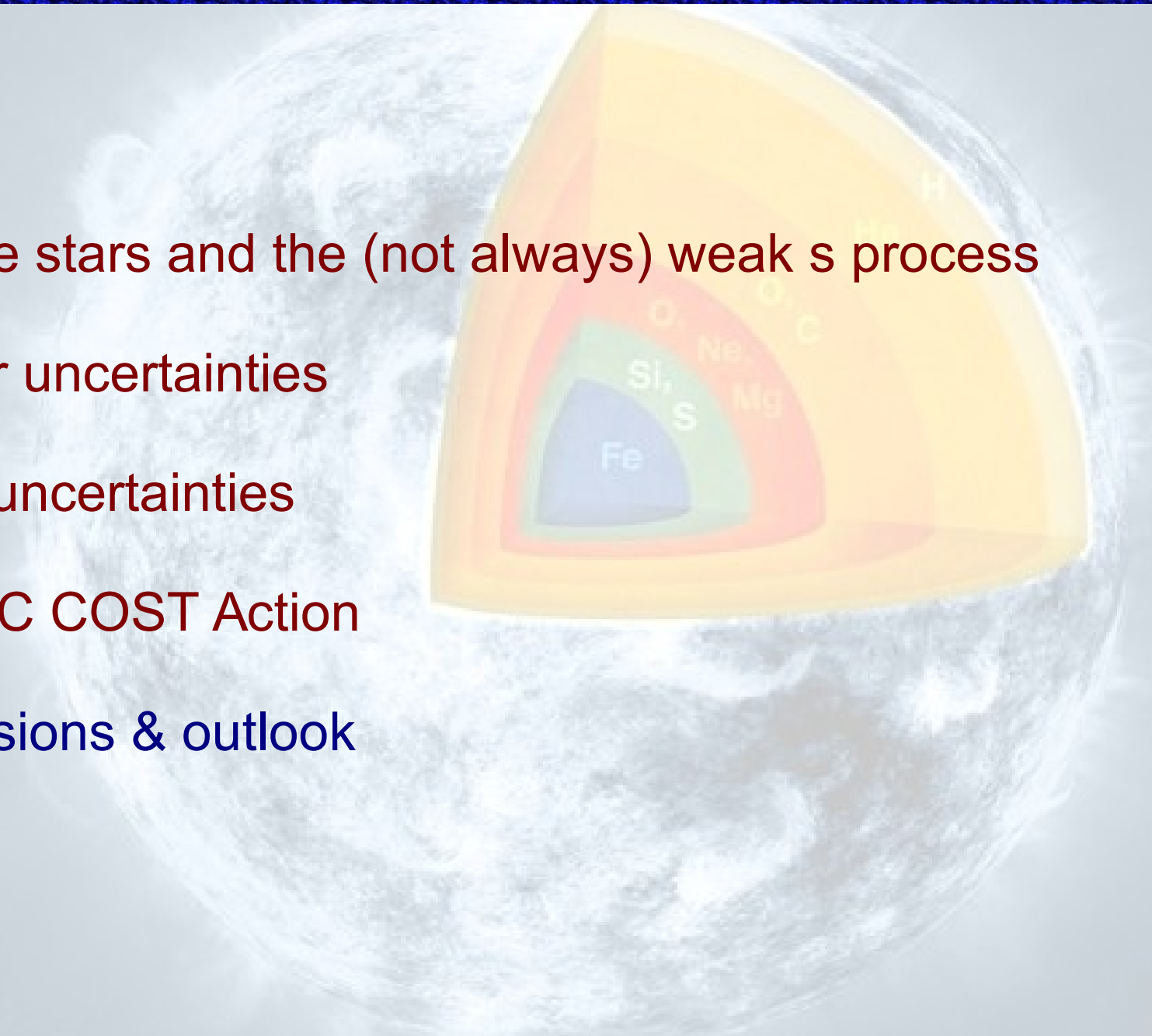
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# *What has happened since NPA7? ... Lots*

- Massive stars and the (not always) weak s process:

Large grid of massive star models + weak s proc (Frischknecht+2016, MNRAS):

Nugrid: set 1 (Pignatari+2016, ApJ), set1extension (Ritter+in prep),

s process with new convective boundary mixing (CBM): (Battino+ ApJ 2016)

- Nuclear uncertainties: MC-based sensitivity studies for gamma-process (Rauscher+2016, MNRAS), weak s process (Nishimura+2017, MNRAS), main s process (Cescutti+in prep)

- Stellar uncertainties:

Multi-D tests of convection (Cristini+ 2017, MNRAS) and rotation (Edelmann+2017, A&A)

- Reviews/book chapters: Springer Handbook of Supernovae

“Pre-supernova Evolution and Nucleosynthesis in Massive Stars and Their Stellar Wind Contribution”

(doi:10.1007/978-3-319-20794-0\_82-1)

“Very Massive and Supermassive Stars: Evolution and Fate” (doi:10.1007/978-3-319-20794-0\_120-1)

- ChETEC COST Action started in April 2017: see [www.chetec.eu](http://www.chetec.eu) for details

# S Process in Massive Stars

Kaeppler, et al, 2011, RvMP, 83, 157, ...

**Weak s process:** (slow neutron capture process) during core He- and shell C-burning

He:  $T > 0.25$  GK

( $\sim 21.6$ keV)

C:  $T \sim 1$ GK

N-source:  $^{22}\text{Ne}(a,n)$

Seed: iron

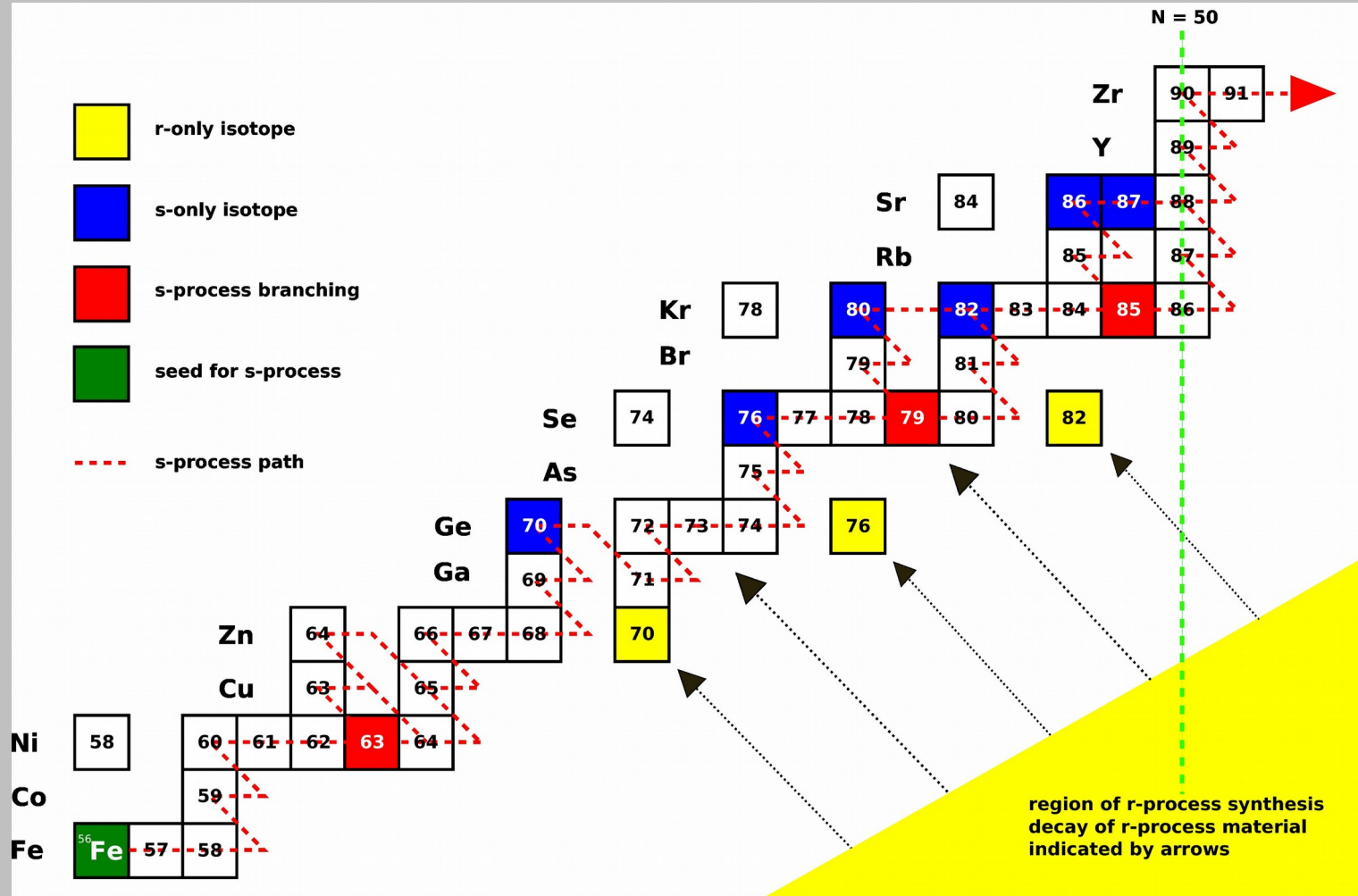
Poisons:

- He-b.:  $^{22}\text{Ne}$ ,  $^{25}\text{Mg}$ ,

$^{16}\text{O}$ ,  $^{12}\text{C}$

- C-b.:  $^{24}\text{Mg}$ ,  $^{25}\text{Mg}$ ,

$^{16}\text{O}$ ,  $^{20}\text{Ne}$



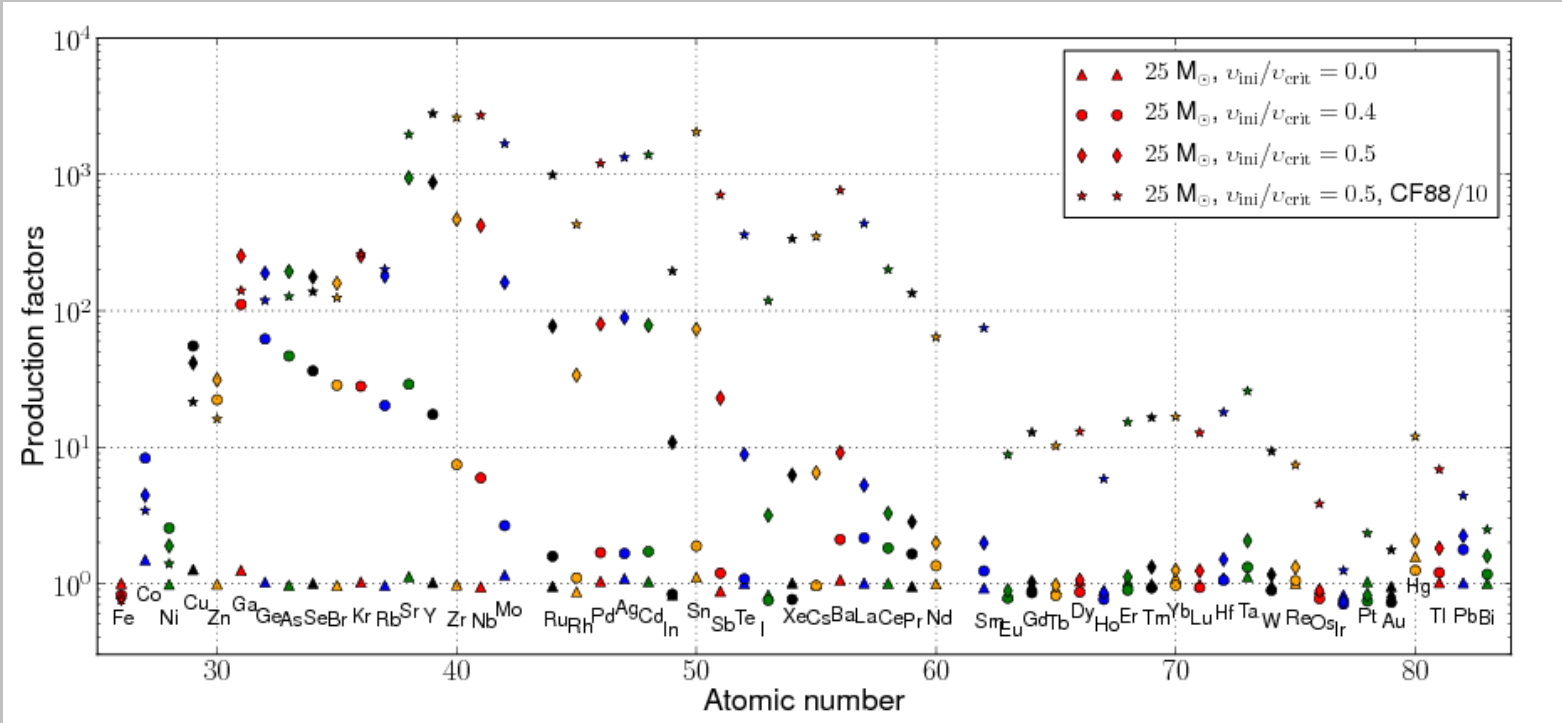
At solar  $Z$ : rotating models may produce up to 3x more s process  
(See also Chieffi, Limongi, 2012ApJS..199...38L)

How much s process do massive rotating stars produce at low  $Z$ ?



# *S-Process Models of Massive Rotating Stars*

$Z=10^{-5}$ , rotating models with different  $^{17}\text{O}(a,g)$  rates;  $V_{\text{ini}}$



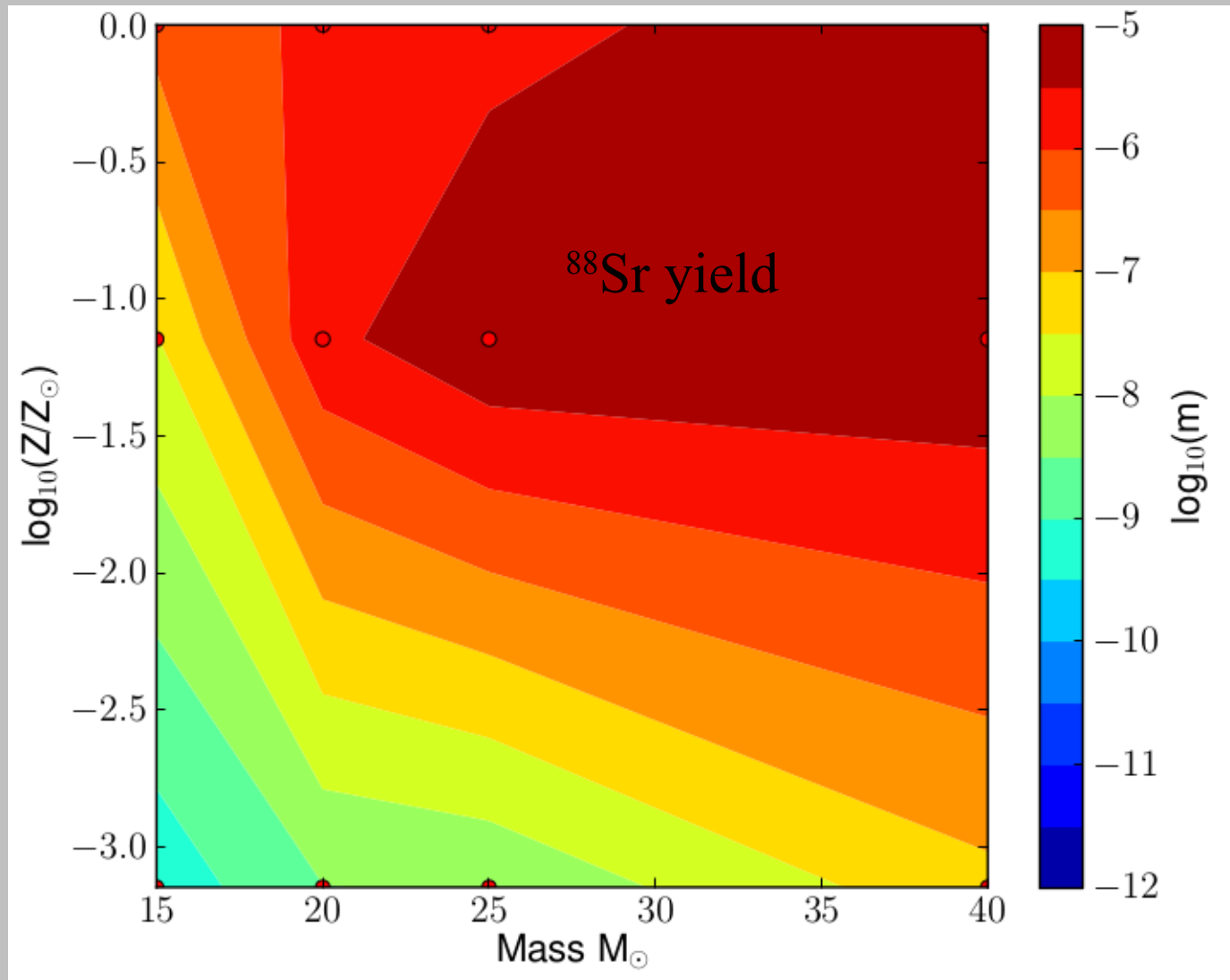
Frischknecht et al, A&A letter 2012, 2016 MNRAS

- STELLAR EVOLUTION CALCULATIONS WITH 600/700-ISOTOPE NETWORK!
- $^{22}\text{Ne}$  production almost primary but still varies with  $Z$  & especially  $V_{\text{ini}} \cdot M_{\text{ini}}$
- Secondary seeds (Fe) limit production ( $^{22}\text{Ne}$  cannot act as seed)
- Strong variations in  $[\text{Sr}, \text{Y}/\text{Ba}]$  up to 2 dex dep. on  $Z, V_{\text{ini}}$ , and  $^{17}\text{O}(a,g)$
- Possibility of explosive n-capture process in He-shell

# *S-Process Models of Massive Rotating Stars*

• FULL GRID NOW PUBLISHED!

Frischknecht, Hirschi et al, MNRAS, 2016, 456, 1803



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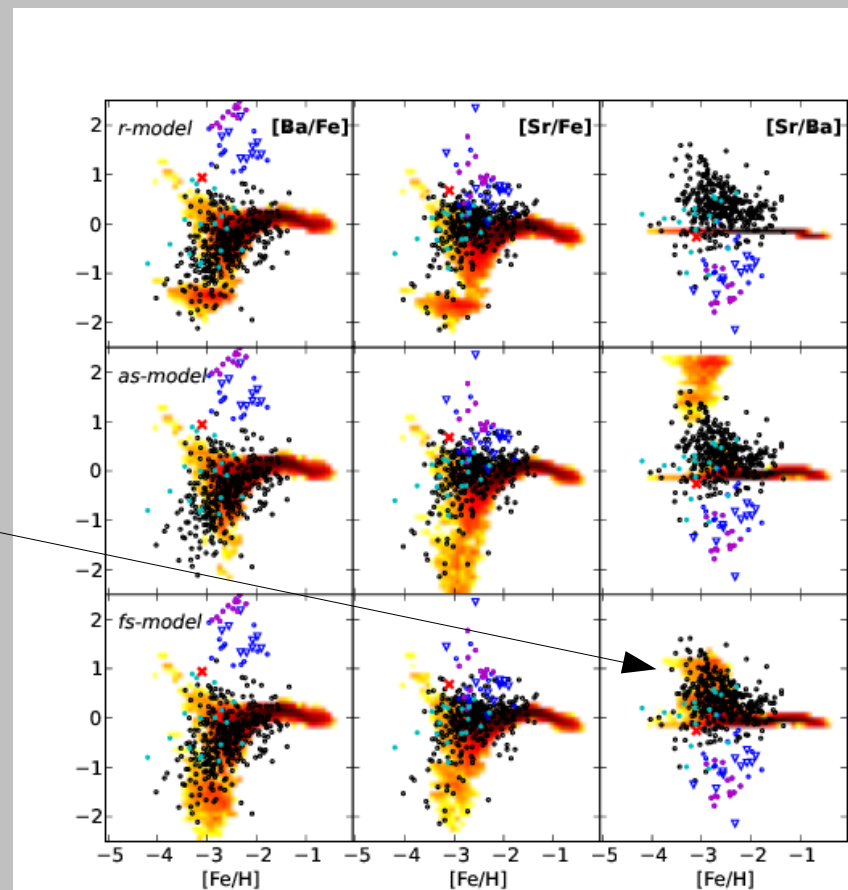
# New S-Process Models Compared to EMP \* & Bulge GC

\* New models also explain abundances in one of the oldest clusters in galactic bulge Chiappini et al, Nature Letter, 2011

Inhomogeneous GCE models by Cescutti et al 2013 A&A, 553, 51, 2015 A&A, 577, 139

- Strong variations in  $[\text{Sr}/\text{Ba}] > 1$  dex matches well observed range for EMP stars (black circles)!

(no main s process included so cannot explain CEMP-s stars in blue)

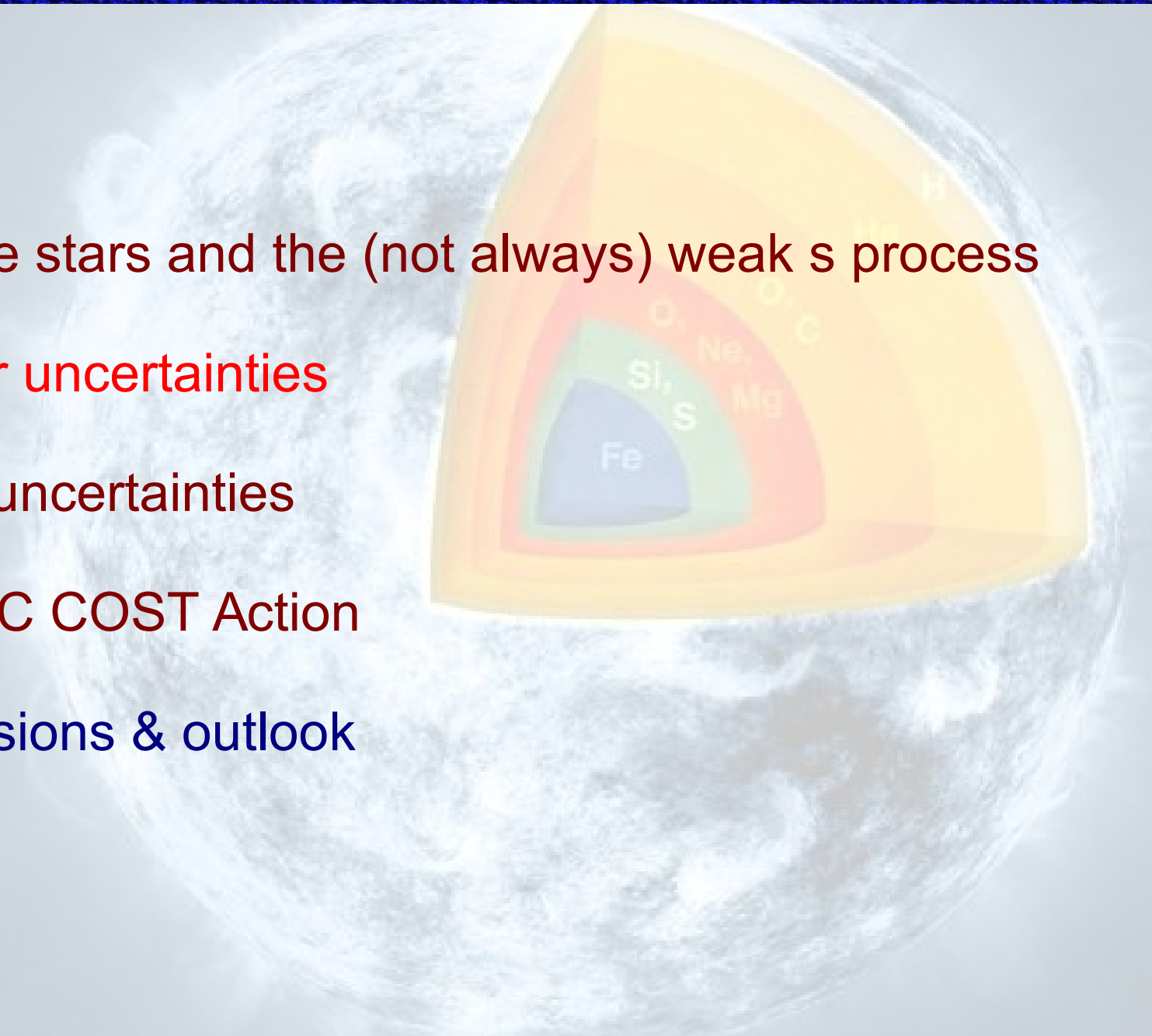


(EMP \*: Frebel et al 2010)

Model name	panels in Fig. 5	s-process	r-process
r-	Upper	No s-process from massive stars	standard + extended r-process site (8 - 30 $M_{\odot}$ )
as-	middle	average rotators ( $v_{\text{rot}}/v_{\text{critic}} = 0.4$ )	standard r-process site (8 - 10 $M_{\odot}$ )
fs-	lower	fast rotators ( $v_{\text{rot}}/v_{\text{critic}} = 0.5$ ) and 1/10 for $^{17}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)$ reaction rate	standard r-process site (8 - 10 $M_{\odot}$ )

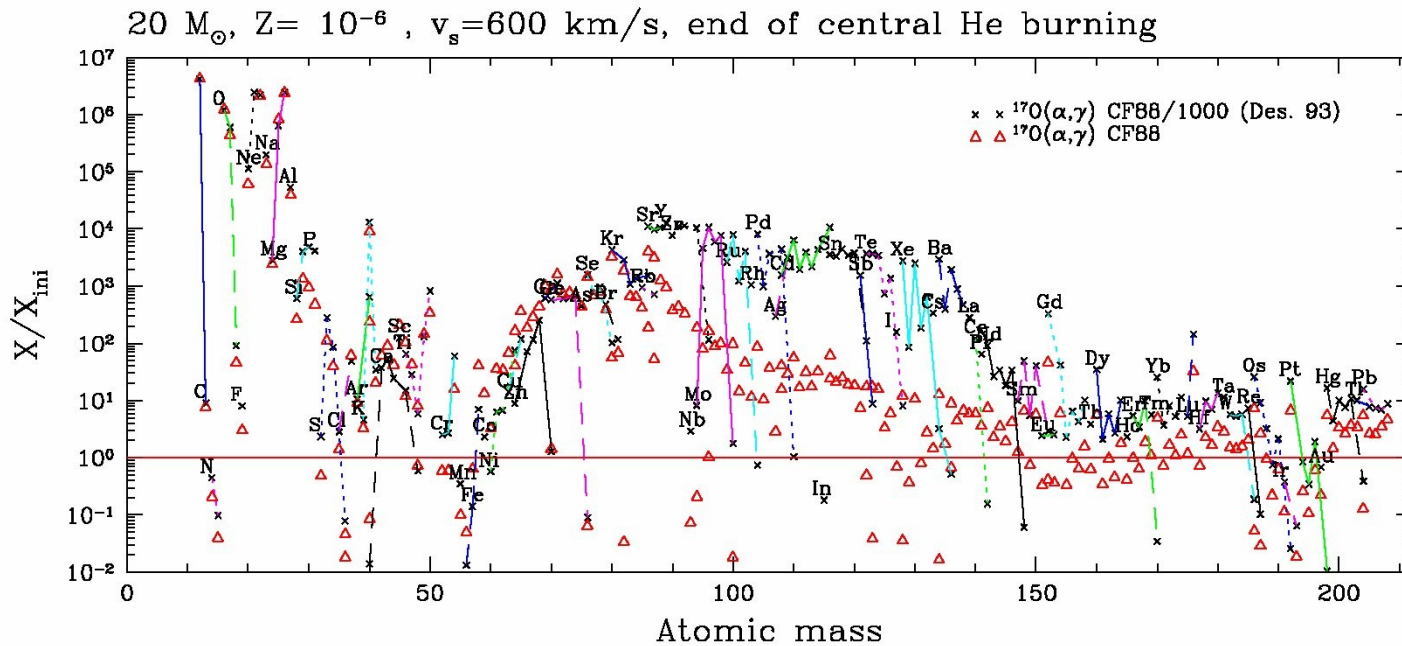
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# S Process in Massive Stars: Nuclear Physics Uncertainty



Hirschi et al 2008, NICX  
 Pignatari et al 08,  
 ApJ letter, 687,95

$^{16}\text{O}(n, \gamma)^{17}\text{O}$ :

- $^{16}\text{O}$  **poison** if  $^{17}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{21}\text{Ne}$  dom.
- $^{16}\text{O}$  **absorber** if  $^{17}\text{O}(\alpha, n)^{20}\text{Ne}$  dom.

Measurement of  $^{17}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{21}\text{Ne}$  at TRIUMF

Taggart et al NICXI:

$^{17}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)$  lower than CF88!

Best et al 2011 (@ Notre Dame):

But much higher than Descouvemont 1993!

$^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha, \gamma)/(\alpha, n)$  also key

(see e.g., Nishimura et al., AIPC 1594 p 146, 2014)

**DRAGON**

Detector of Recoils And  
 Gammas Of Nuclear reactions



# Monte Carlo Sensitivity Studies

## Monte Carlo Framework:

- PizBuin MC-wrapper

Rauscher+ 2016MNRAS.463.4153R

- Simple “brute force” approach
- Parallelised using OpenMP

## Nuclear Reaction Network:

- Solver: WinNet (Winteler+ 12)
- Reaction rates  $\leftarrow$  reaclib (Rauscher & Thielemann 00)

= McWinNet

beta-decay & (n,g) uncertainties are T-dependent!

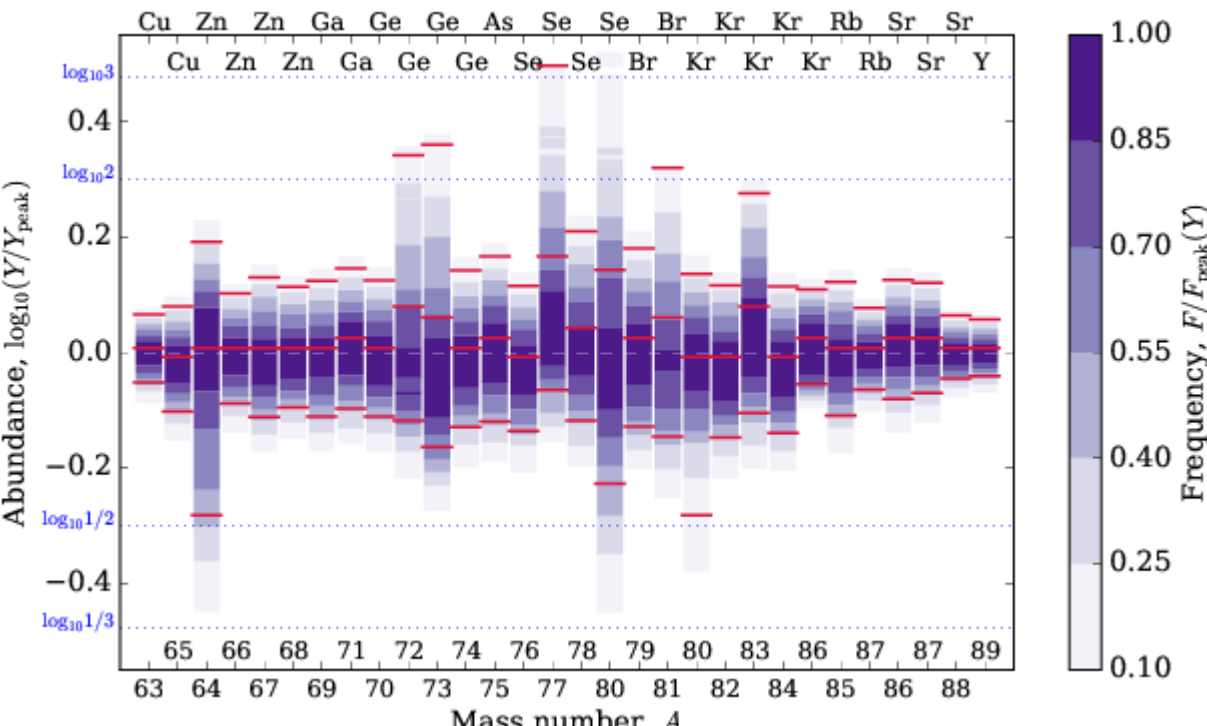
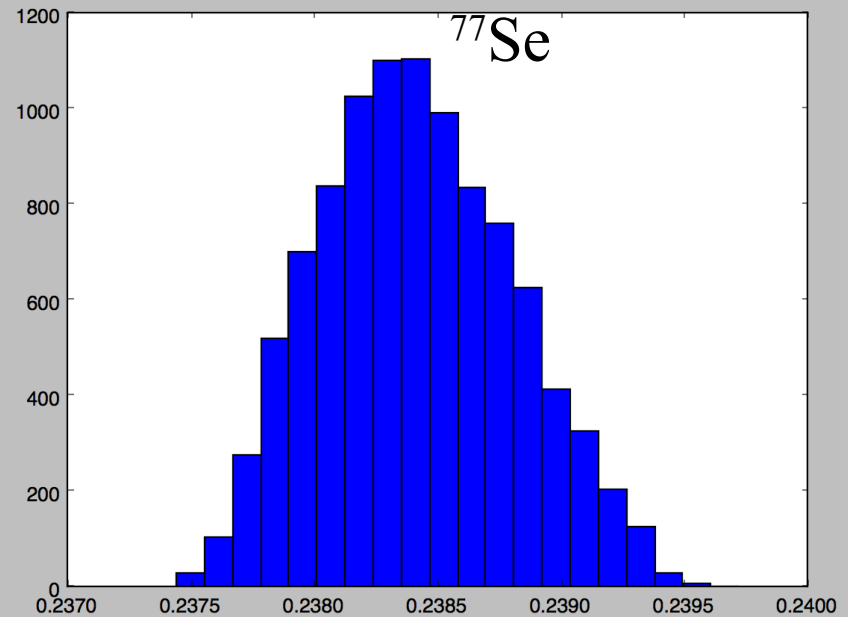
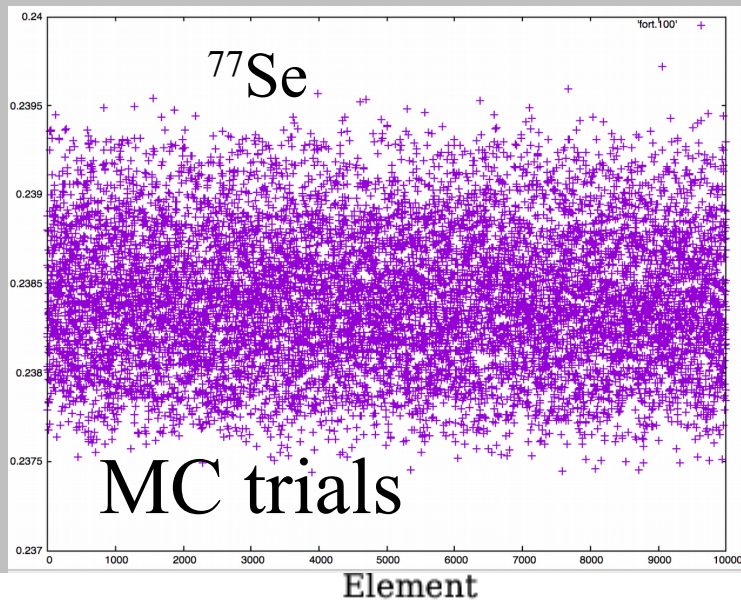
Largest simulations: 1000 trajectories x 1hr run x 10,000 iterations



Piz Buin mountain

# Results for Weak $s$ Process

N. Nishimura+ 2017: <http://adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2017MNRAS.469.1752N>



Abundances

← MC: varying both  
( $n, g$ ) &  $\beta^{\pm}$



# Key Reaction Lists for Weak $s$ Process

N. Nishimura+ 2017: <http://adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2017MNRAS.469.1752N>

Nuclide	$r_{\text{cor},0}$	$r_{\text{cor},1}$	$r_{\text{cor},2}$	Key Rate Level 1	Key Rate Level 2	Key Rate Level 3	$X_0$ (8, 30 keV)	Weak Rate (8, 30 keV)
$^{64}\text{Zn}$	<u>0.76</u>			$^{64}\text{Cu}(\beta^-)^{64}\text{Zn}$				1.30, 1.36
	-0.46	<u>-0.73</u>			$^{64}\text{Cu}(e^-, \nu_e)^{64}\text{Ni}$			$e^-$ capture
$^{67}\text{Zn}$	<u>-0.67</u>			$^{67}\text{Zn}(n, \gamma)^{68}\text{Zn}$			1.00, 1.00	
$^{72}\text{Ge}$	<u>-0.85</u>			$^{72}\text{Ge}(n, \gamma)^{73}\text{Ge}$			1.00, 1.00	
$^{73}\text{Ge}$	<u>-0.84</u>			$^{73}\text{Ge}(n, \gamma)^{74}\text{Ge}$			0.88, 0.81	
$^{74}\text{Ge}$	-0.44	-0.54	<u>-0.67</u>			$^{74}\text{Ge}(n, \gamma)^{75}\text{Ge}$	1.00, 1.00	
$^{75}\text{As}$	-0.50	-0.59	<u>-0.70</u>			$^{75}\text{As}(n, \gamma)^{76}\text{As}$	1.00, 1.00	
$^{77}\text{Se}$	<u>-0.86</u>			$^{77}\text{Se}(n, \gamma)^{78}\text{Se}$			1.00, 1.00	
$^{78}\text{Se}$	<u>-0.71</u>			$^{78}\text{Se}(n, \gamma)^{79}\text{Se}$			1.00, 1.00	
	0.38	<u>0.68</u>			$^{68}\text{Zn}(n, \gamma)^{69}\text{Zn}$		1.00, 1.00	
$^{80}\text{Se}$	<u>-0.76</u>			$^{80}\text{Br}(\beta^-)^{80}\text{Kr}$				1.31, 4.70
	0.27	<u>0.73</u>			$^{80}\text{Br}(\beta^+)^{80}\text{Se}$			1.31, 4.70
	0.16	0.44	<u>0.88</u>			$^{80}\text{Br}(e^-, \nu_e)^{80}\text{Se}$		$e^-$ capture
$^{79}\text{Br}$	-0.64	<u>-0.73</u>			$^{79}\text{Br}(n, \gamma)^{80}\text{Br}$		1.00, 1.00	
$^{81}\text{Br}$	<u>-0.80</u>			$^{81}\text{Kr}(n, \gamma)^{82}\text{Kr}$			1.00, 0.98	
$^{83}\text{Kr}$	<u>-0.76</u>			$^{83}\text{Kr}(n, \gamma)^{84}\text{Kr}$			0.81, 0.74	
$^{84}\text{Kr}$	-0.49	-0.65	<u>-0.76</u>			$^{84}\text{Kr}(n, \gamma)^{85}\text{Kr}$	1.00, 1.00	
$^{86}\text{Kr}$	<u>0.84</u>			$^{85}\text{Kr}(n, \gamma)^{86}\text{Kr}$			1.00, 1.00	
	-0.30	<u>-0.70</u>			$^{86}\text{Kr}(n, \gamma)^{87}\text{Kr}$		1.00, 1.00	
	-0.34	-0.62	<u>-0.90</u>			$^{85}\text{Kr}(\beta^-)^{85}\text{Rb}$		1.30, 1.30
$^{87}\text{Rb}$	-0.56	-0.65	<u>-0.95</u>			$^{87}\text{Rb}(n, \gamma)^{88}\text{Rb}$	1.00, 1.00	

# Key Reaction Levels 1-3:

N. Nishimura+ 2017

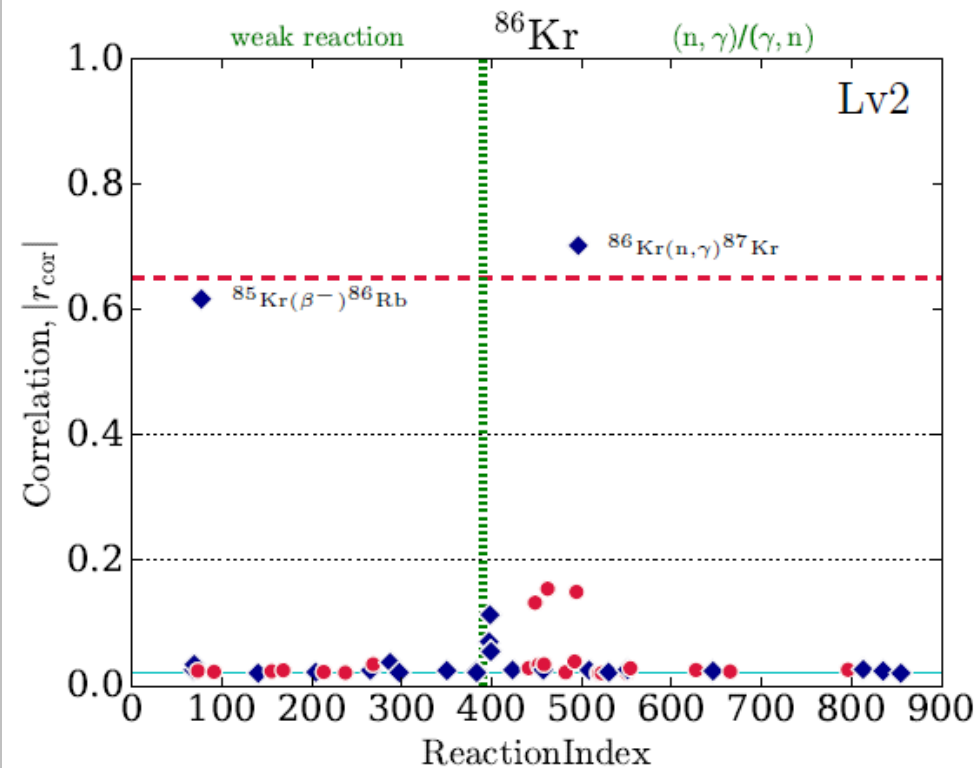
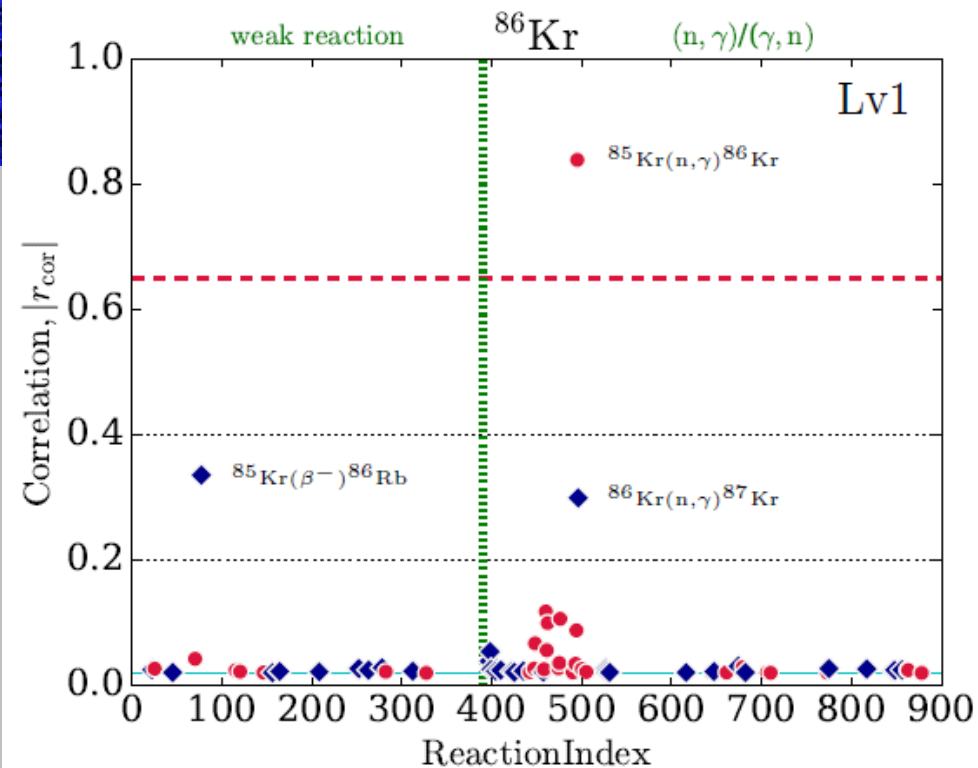
- Level 1 key rates dominate the uncertainty for a given isotope
- Once level 1 rates are fixed, *then* Level 2 rates become dominant

...

We adopt the Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient [Pearson \(1895\)](#) to quantify the correlation between rate variation and the final abundances (also used in [Rauscher et al. 2016](#)), defined by

$$r_{\text{cor}} = \frac{\sum_i^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_i^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \sqrt{\sum_i^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \quad (4)$$

where  $x_i$  and  $y_i$  are variables with  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$  being their arithmetic mean value, respectively. The summation is applied to all data for the MC runs  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Here,  $x$  and  $y$  in Equation 4 correspond to variation factors  $f$  and final abundances  $Y$ .

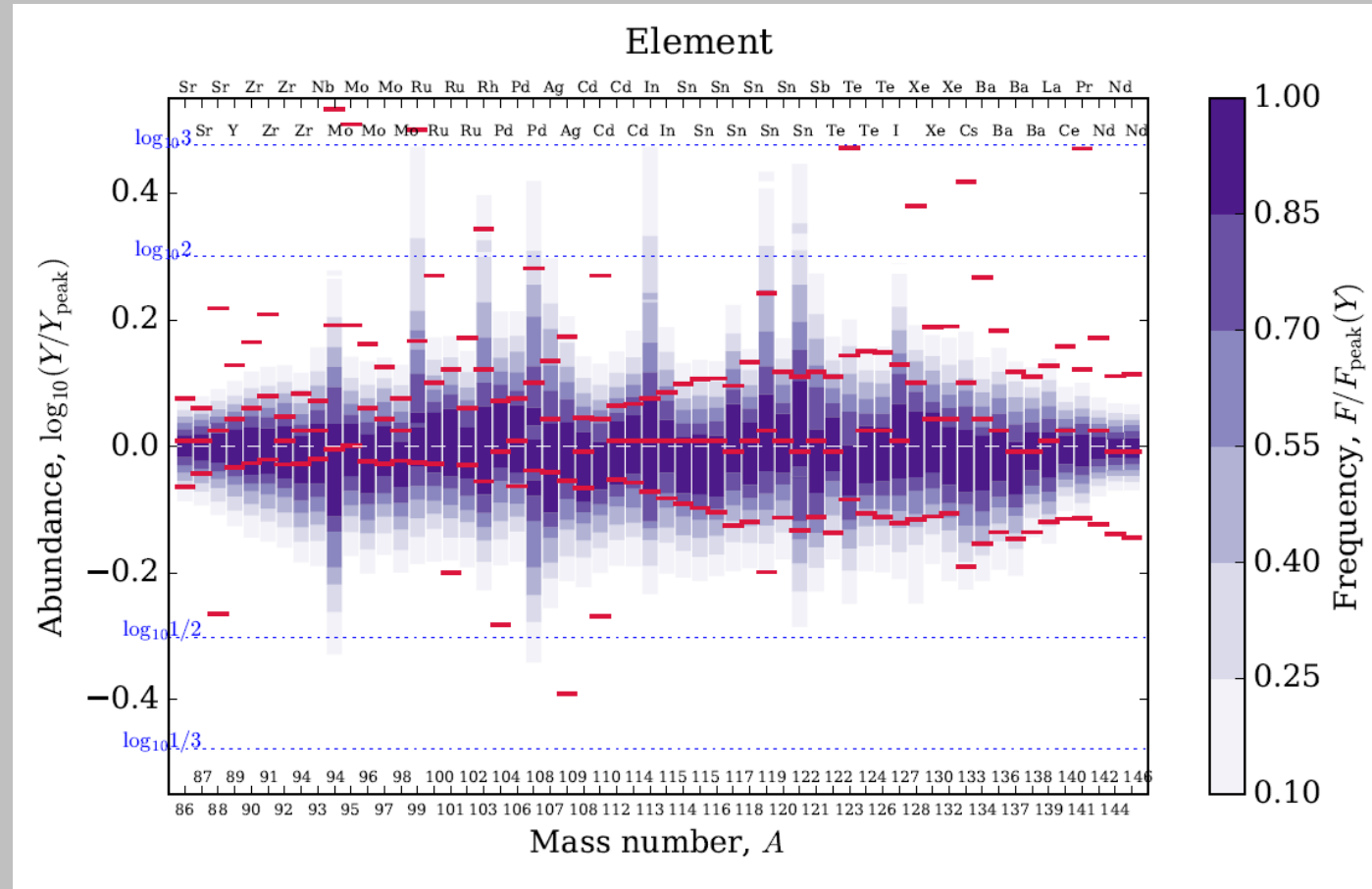




# Other Key Reaction Lists

Priority lists established for:

- Enhanced (weak) s proc. in low-Z fast rotating stars: N. Nishimura+ 2017



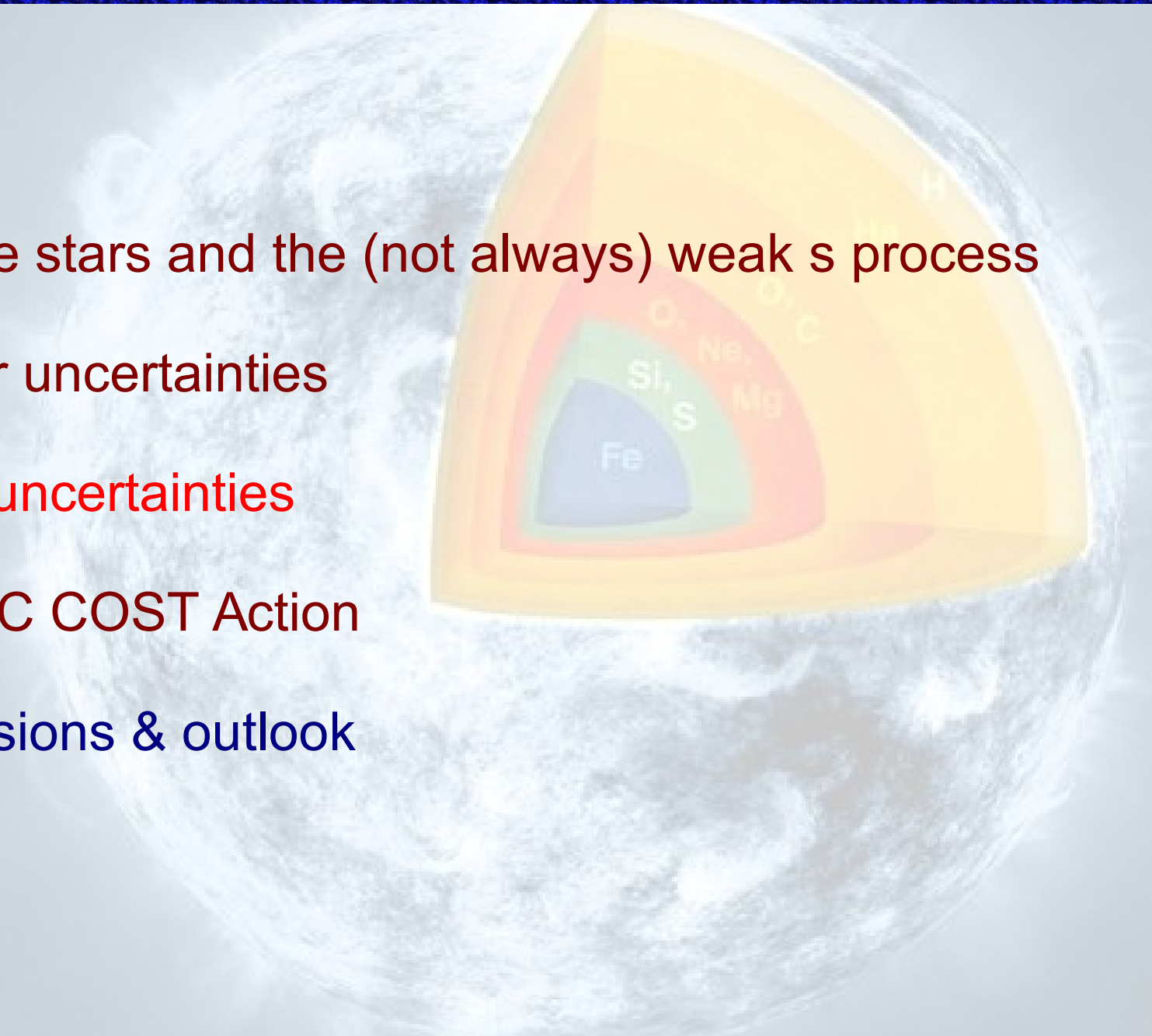
- Gamma (aka p) process in CCSNe: T. Rauscher+ 2016  
<http://adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2016MNRAS.463.4153R>

- Gamma (aka p) process in Sne Ia: Nishimura/Rauscher + in prep

- Main s process (C13-pocket) Cescutti + in prep.

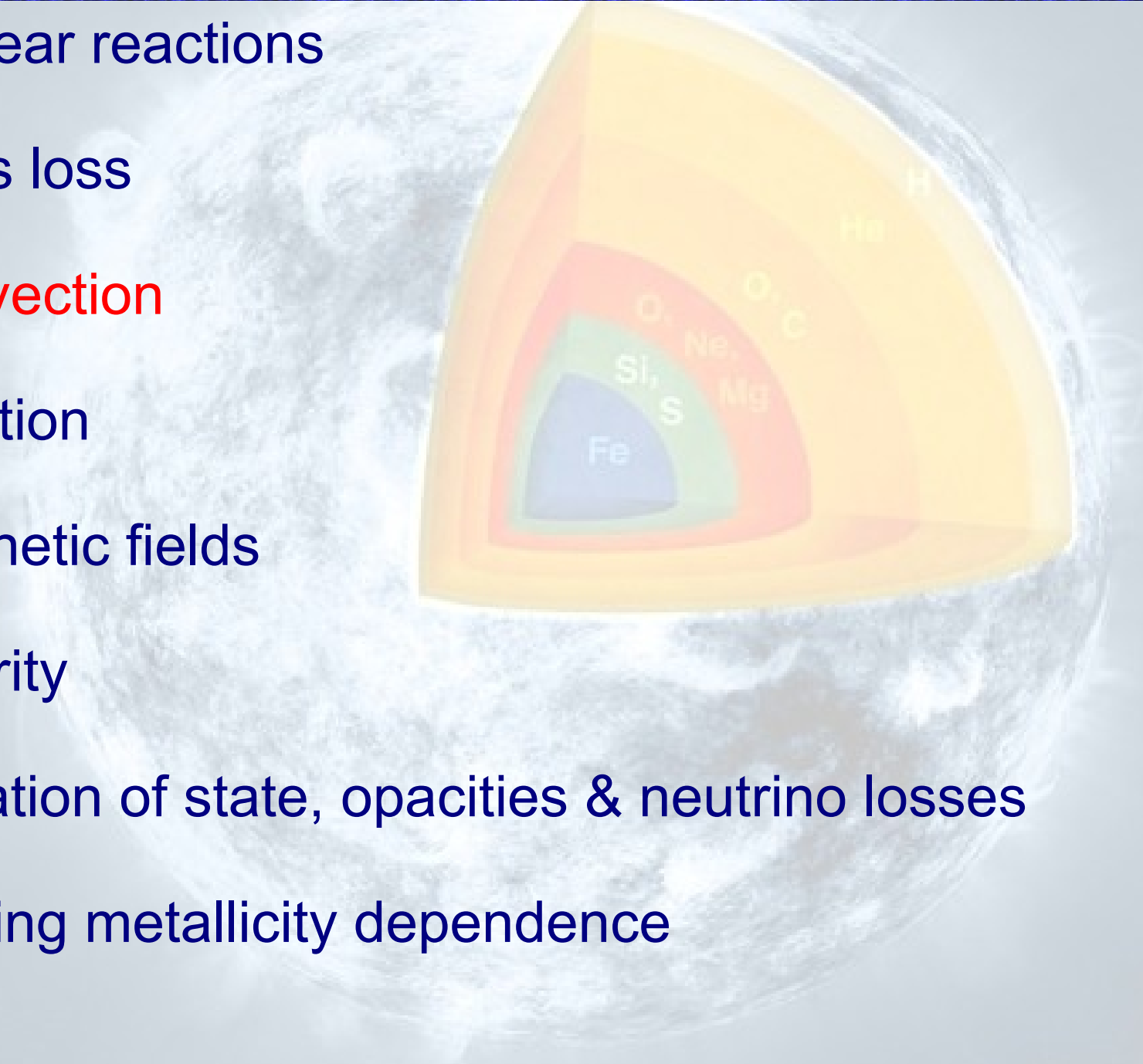
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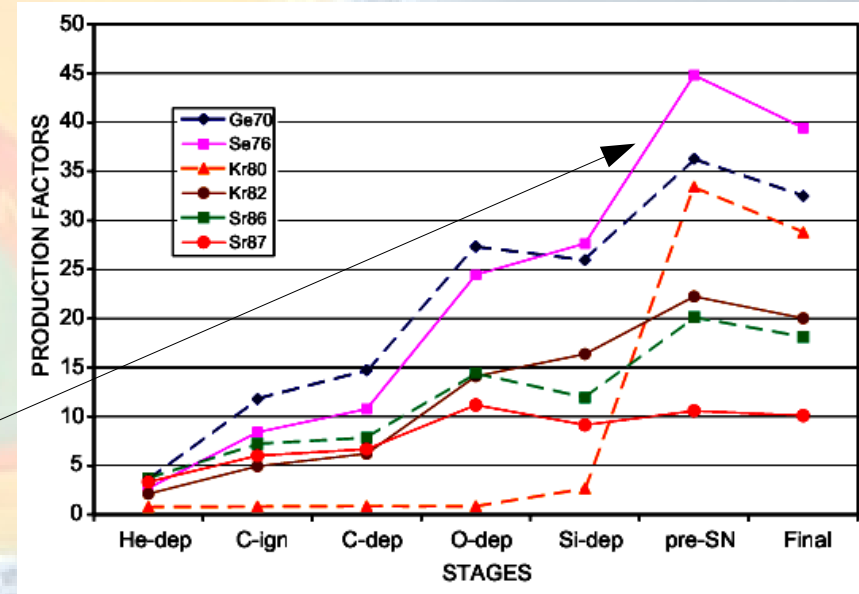
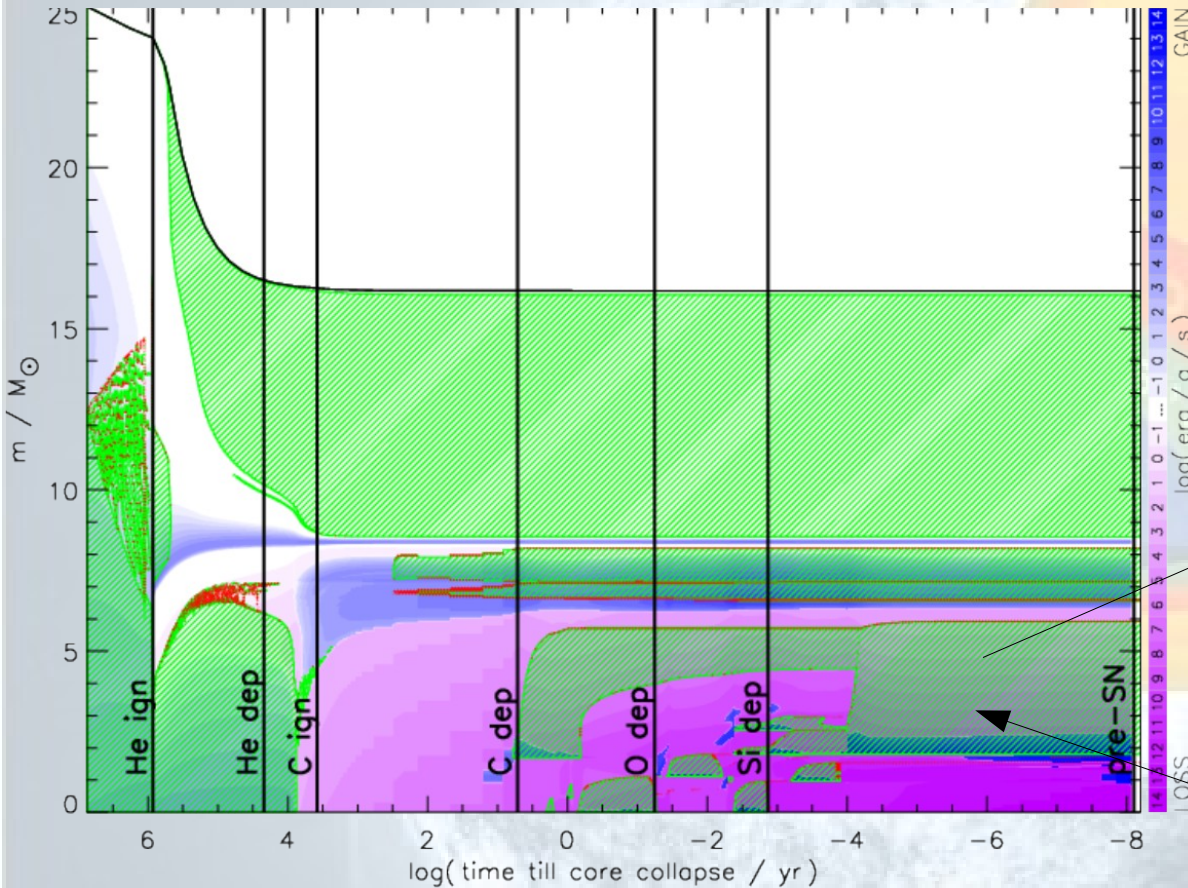
# *Physical Ingredients*

- Nuclear reactions
- Mass loss
- **Convection**
- Rotation
- Magnetic fields
- Binararity
- Equation of state, opacities & neutrino losses  
including metallicity dependence



# 1D Model Uncertainties: Possible Shell Mergers

Tur, Heger et al 07/09/10



C/Ne/O shell mergers

Rauscher, Heger and Woosley 2002: "Interesting and unusual nucleosynthetic results are found for one particular 20M model as a result of its special stellar structure."

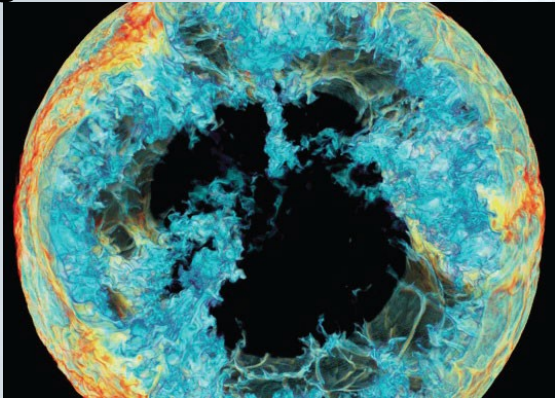
Shell mergers also affect compactness

**Convection physics uncertainties affect fate of models: strong/weak/failed explosions!!!**

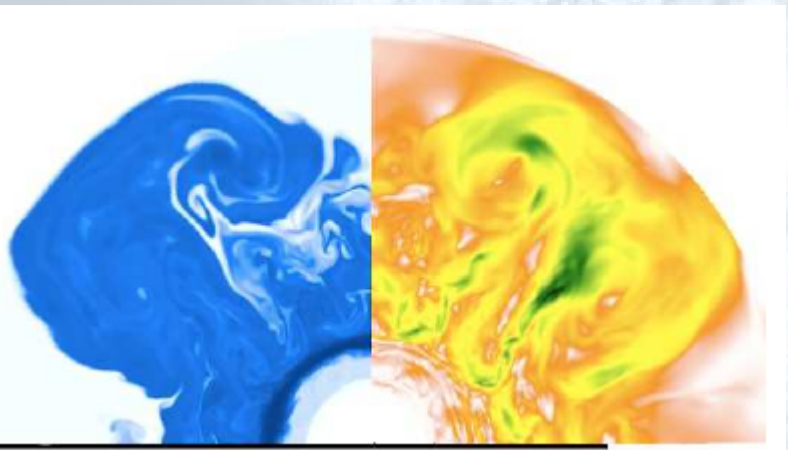


# Way Forward: 1 to 3 to 1D link

Targetted 3D simulations

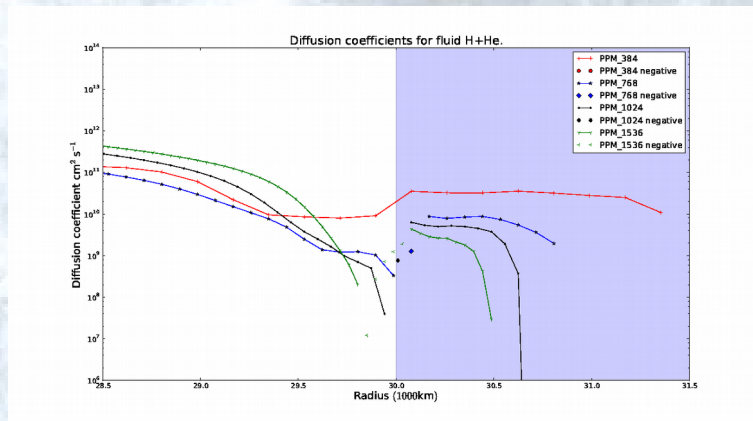
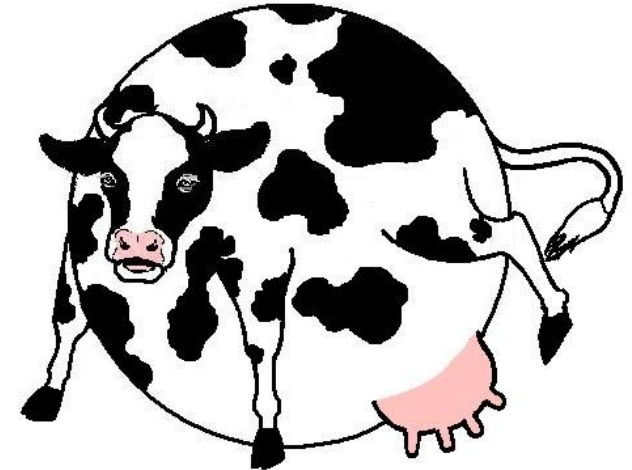


Herwig et al 06, Herwig, Woodward et al 2013



e.g. Arnett & Meakin 2011, ...  
Mocak et al 2011,  
Viallet et al 2013, ...

Uncertainties in 1D

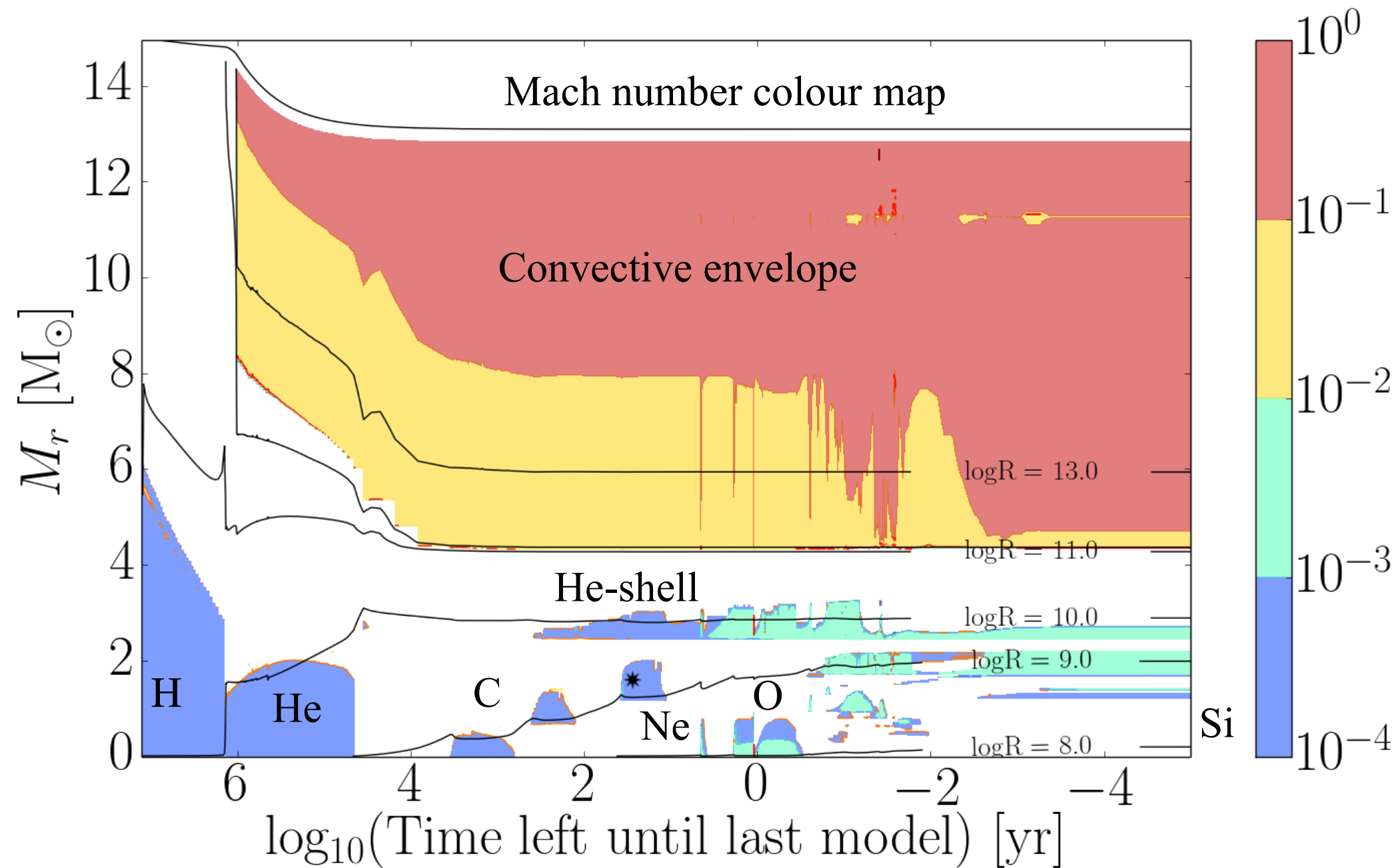


Meakin et al 09 ; Bennett et al (thesis), Jones et al 16

→ Determine effective coefficient / improve theoretical prescriptions



# Where to Start?



Convection takes place during most burning stages

# Priority List

## \* Convective boundary mixing during core hydrogen burning:

- +: many constraints (HRD, astero, ...)
- -: difficult to model due to important thermal/radiative effects
- -: long time-scale

## \* Silicon burning:

- +: important to determine impact on SNe of multi-D structure in progenitor (Couch et al 2015a,b, Mueller & Janka [aph1409.4783](#), Mueller et al [ArXiv1605.01393](#))
- +: possible shell mergers occurring after core Si-burning (e.g. Tur et al 2009ApJ702.1068; Sukhbold & Woosley 2014ApJ783.105) strongly affect core compactness
- +: radiative effects small/negl.
- -:  $\sim 10^9$  CPU hours needed for full silicon burning phase will be ok soon;
- -: might be affected by convective shell history

## \* AGB thermal pulses/H-ingestion:

- +: already doable (e.g. Herwig et al 2014ApJ729.3, 2011ApJ727.89, Mocak et al 2010A&A520.114, Woodward et al 2015)
- +: thermal/radiative effects not dominant
- ?: applicable to other phases?

## \* Oxygen shell: (Meakin & Arnett 2007ApJ667.448/665.448, Viallet et al 2013ApJ769.1, Jones et al [ArXiv1605.03766](#))

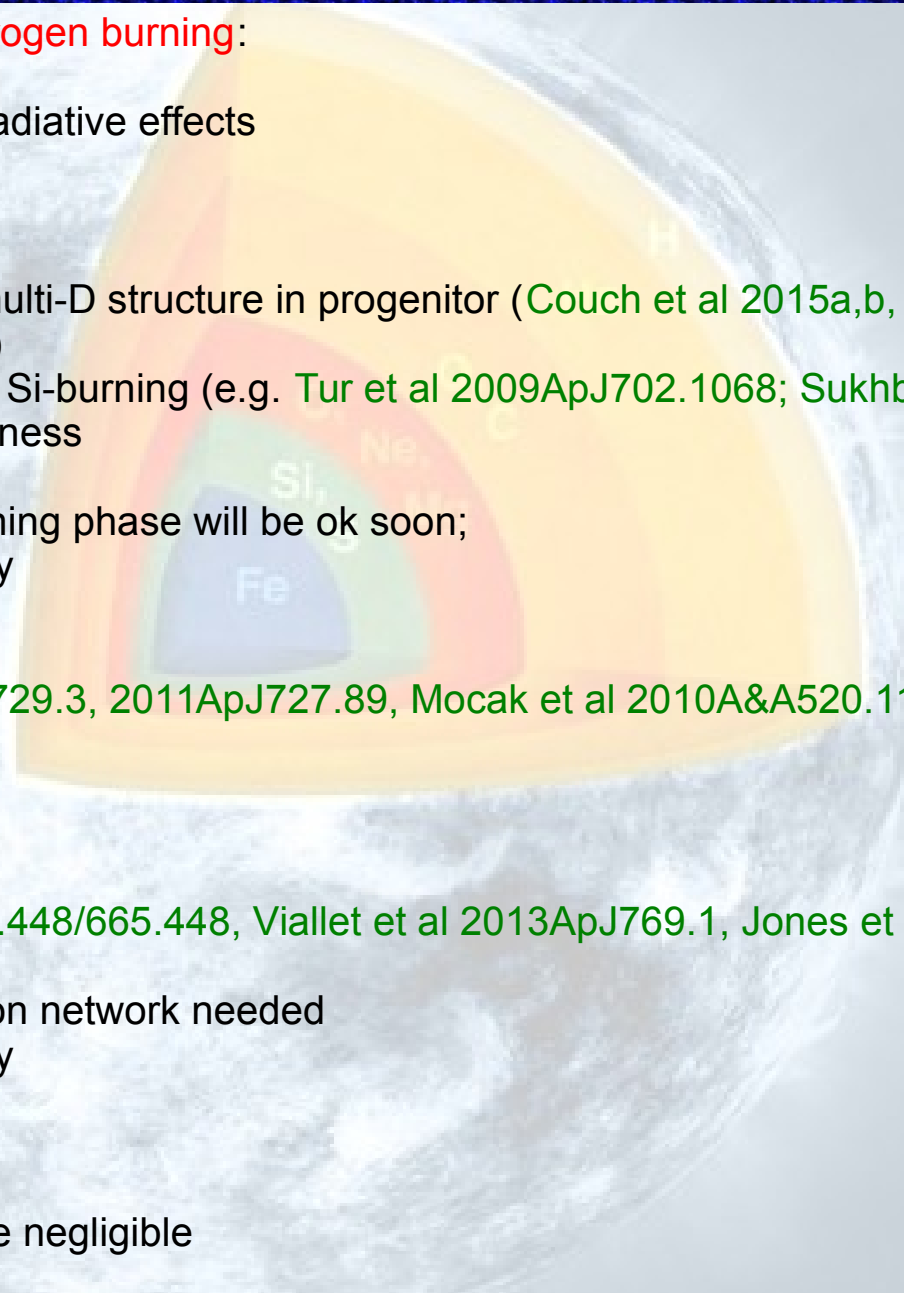
- +: similar to silicon burning but smaller reaction network needed
- -: might be affected by convective shell history

## \* Carbon shell: (PhD A. Cristini)

- +: not affected by prior shell history
- +: first stage for which thermal effects become negligible

## \* Envelope of RSG (e.g. Viallet et al. 2013, Chiavassa et al 2009-2013),

- \* Solar-type stars (e.g. Magic et al. 2013A&A557.26, ...)



# Where to Start? Carbon burning shell

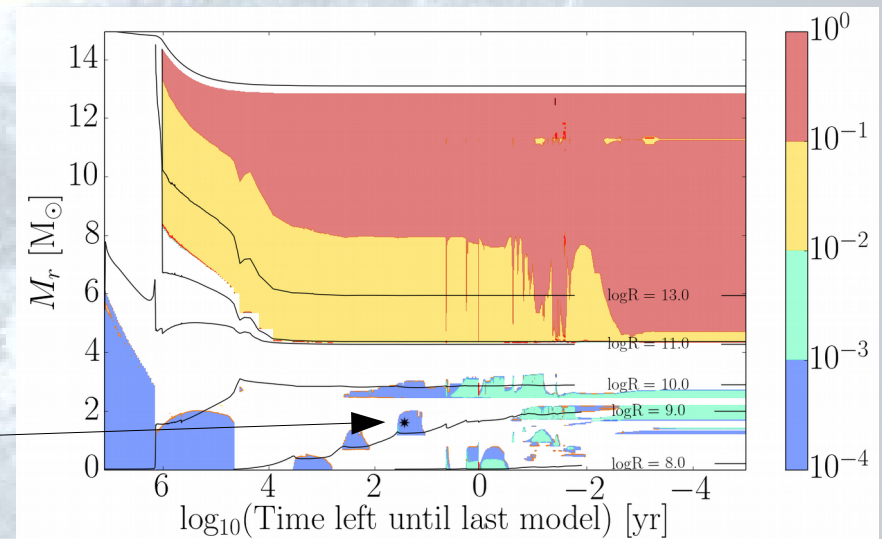
- “Simple” convective history before C-shell
- Cooling dominated by neutrinos: 1) radiative diffusion can be neglected, 2) “fast” timescale
- O-shell done before *Meakin & Arnett 2007-...*
- H/He burning lifetime much longer + *radiative effects*

*important*

- Si-burning: complex

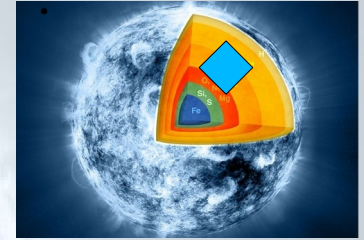
reaction network

C-shell



# *C-shell Setup & Approximations*

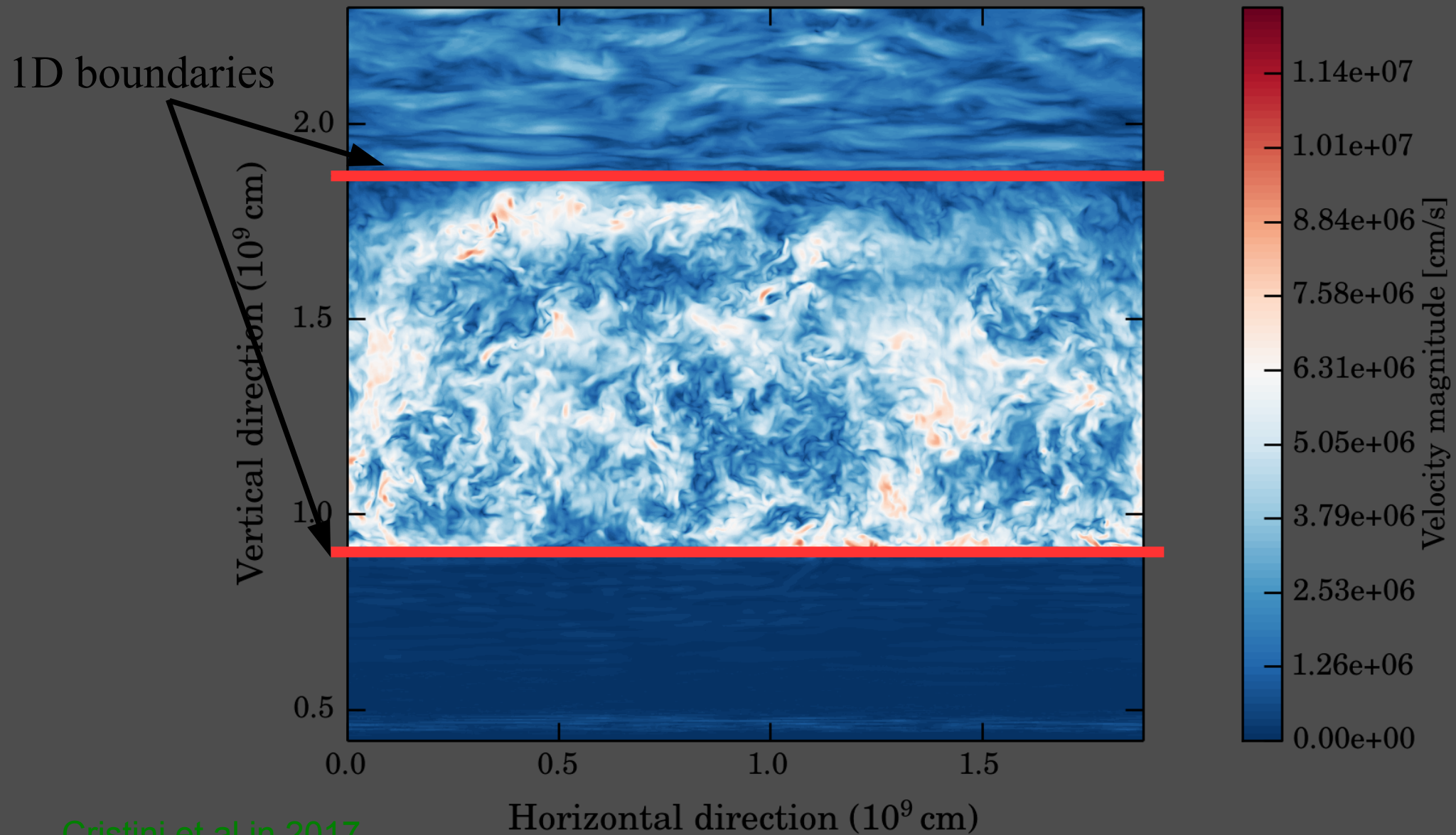
- PROMPI code Meakin, Arnett et al 2007-...
- Initial conditions provided by stellar model from GENEC:  
15M<sub>☉</sub>, non-rotating at solar metallicity (see previous slide)
- “Box in a star” (plane-parallel) simulation using Cartesian co-ordinates
- Parameterised gravitational acceleration and  $^{12}\text{C}+^{12}\text{C}$  energy generation rate  
(energy rate boosted by a factor of 1000 for parameter study)
- Radiative diffusion neglected
- Turbulence initiated through random low-amplitude perturbations in temperature and density
- Constant abundance of  $^{12}\text{C}$  fuel over simulation time
- 4 resolutions: lrez: 128<sup>3</sup>, mrez: 256<sup>3</sup>, hrez: 512<sup>3</sup>, vhrez: 1024<sup>3</sup>





# *C-shell Simulations*

Snapshot from  $1024^3$  resolution run: Gas Velocity  $\|\mathbf{v}\|$



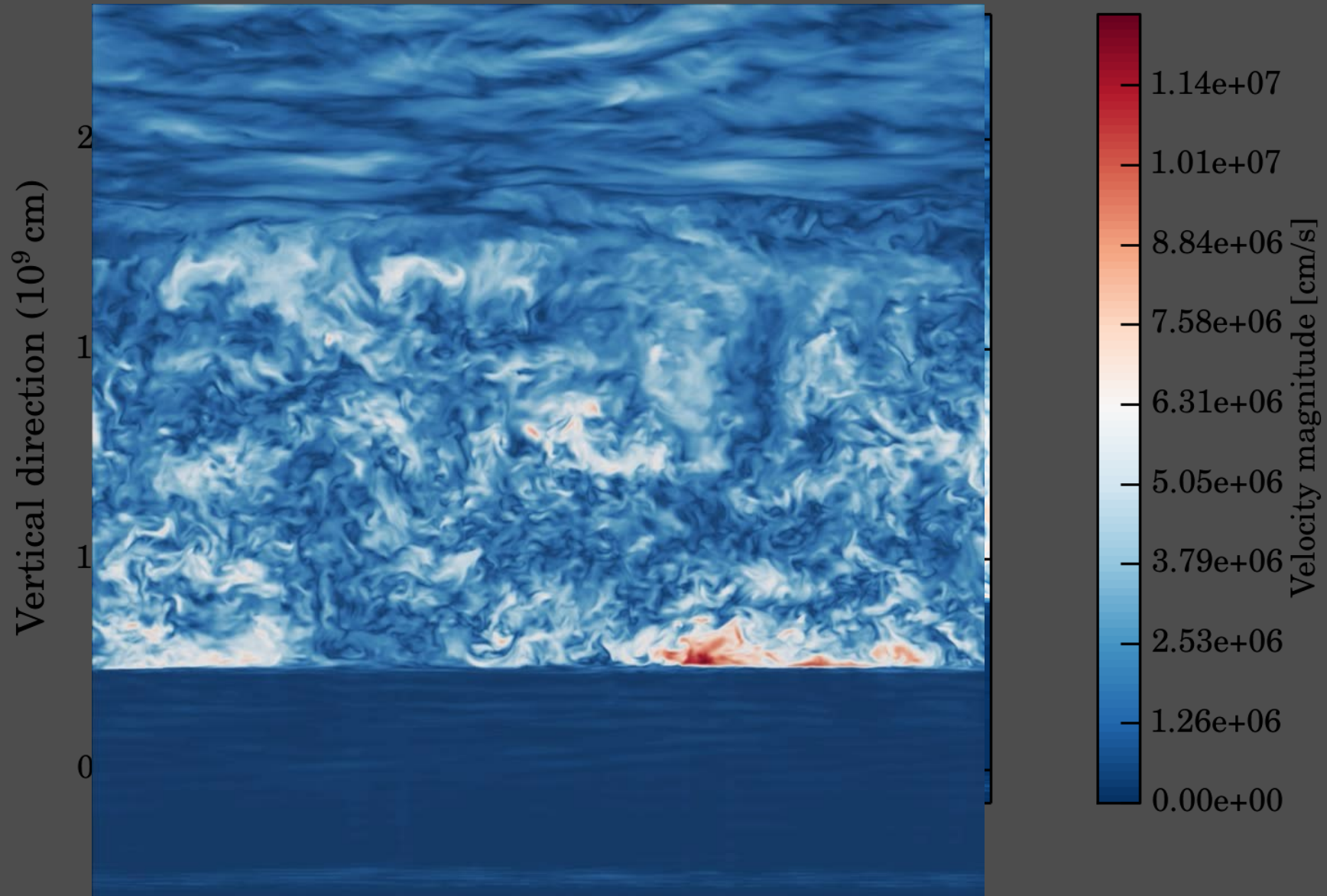
Cristini et al in 2017



# *C-shell Simulations: $|v|$ movie*

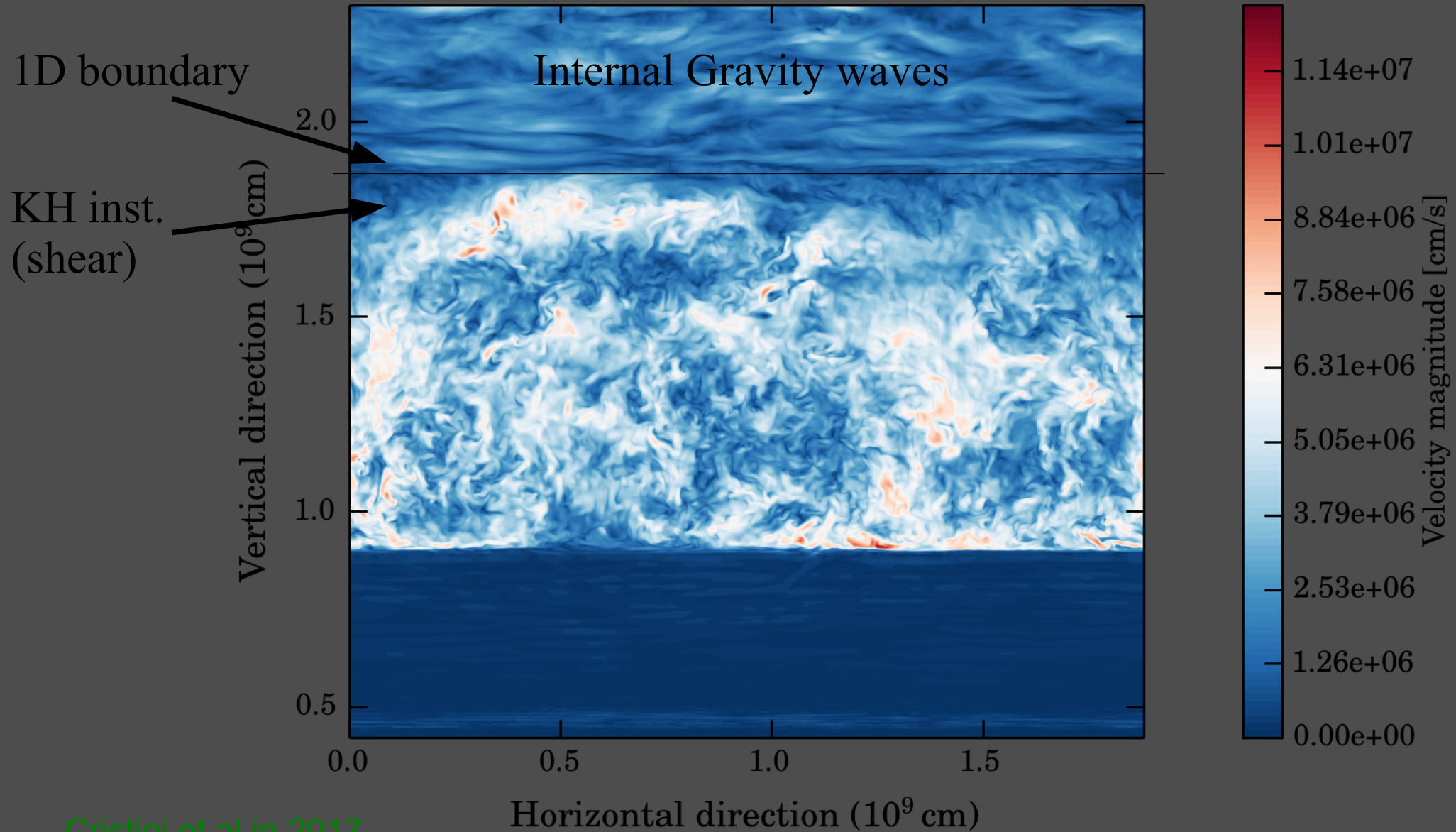
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Gas Velocity  $\|v\|$



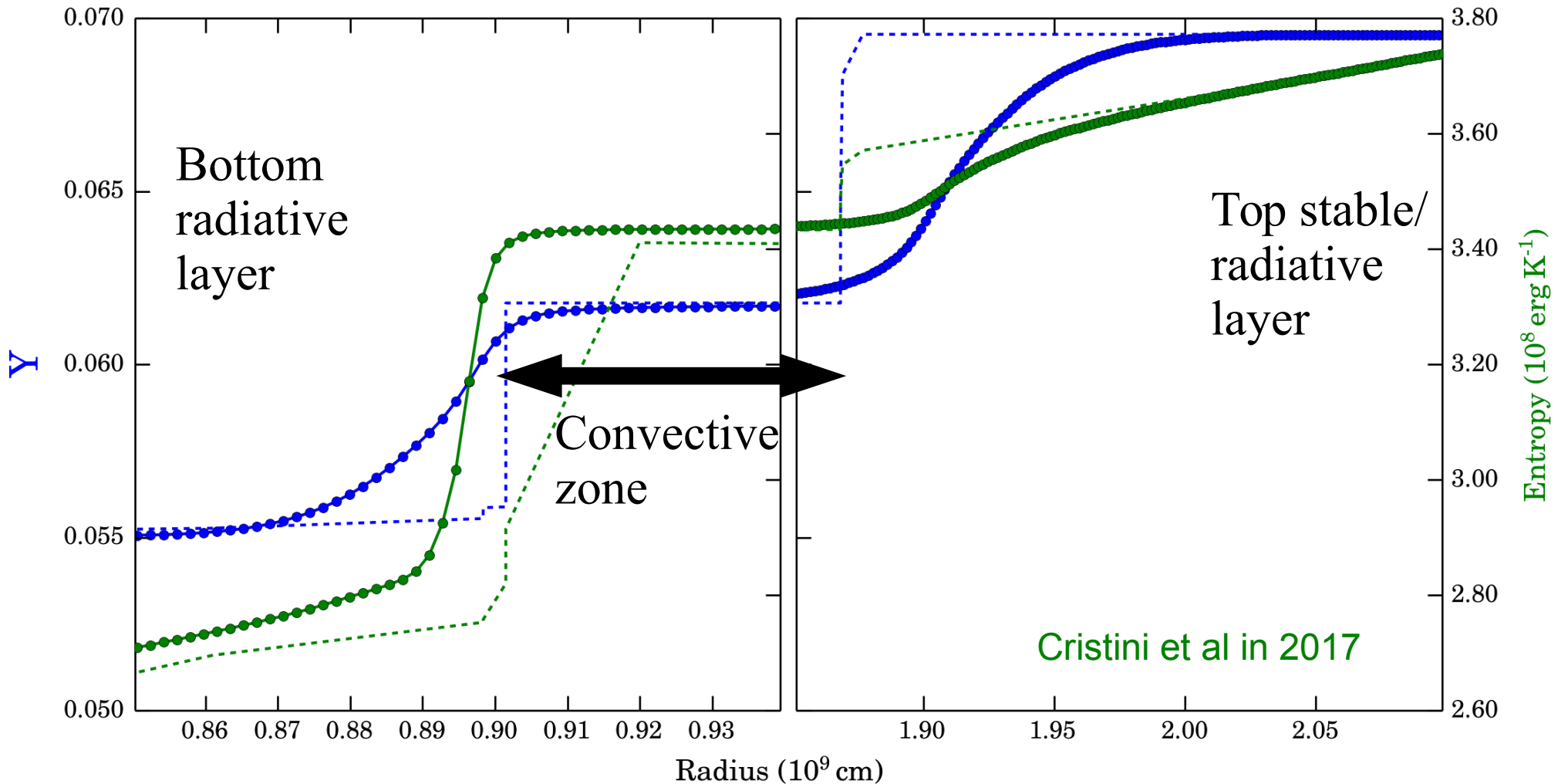
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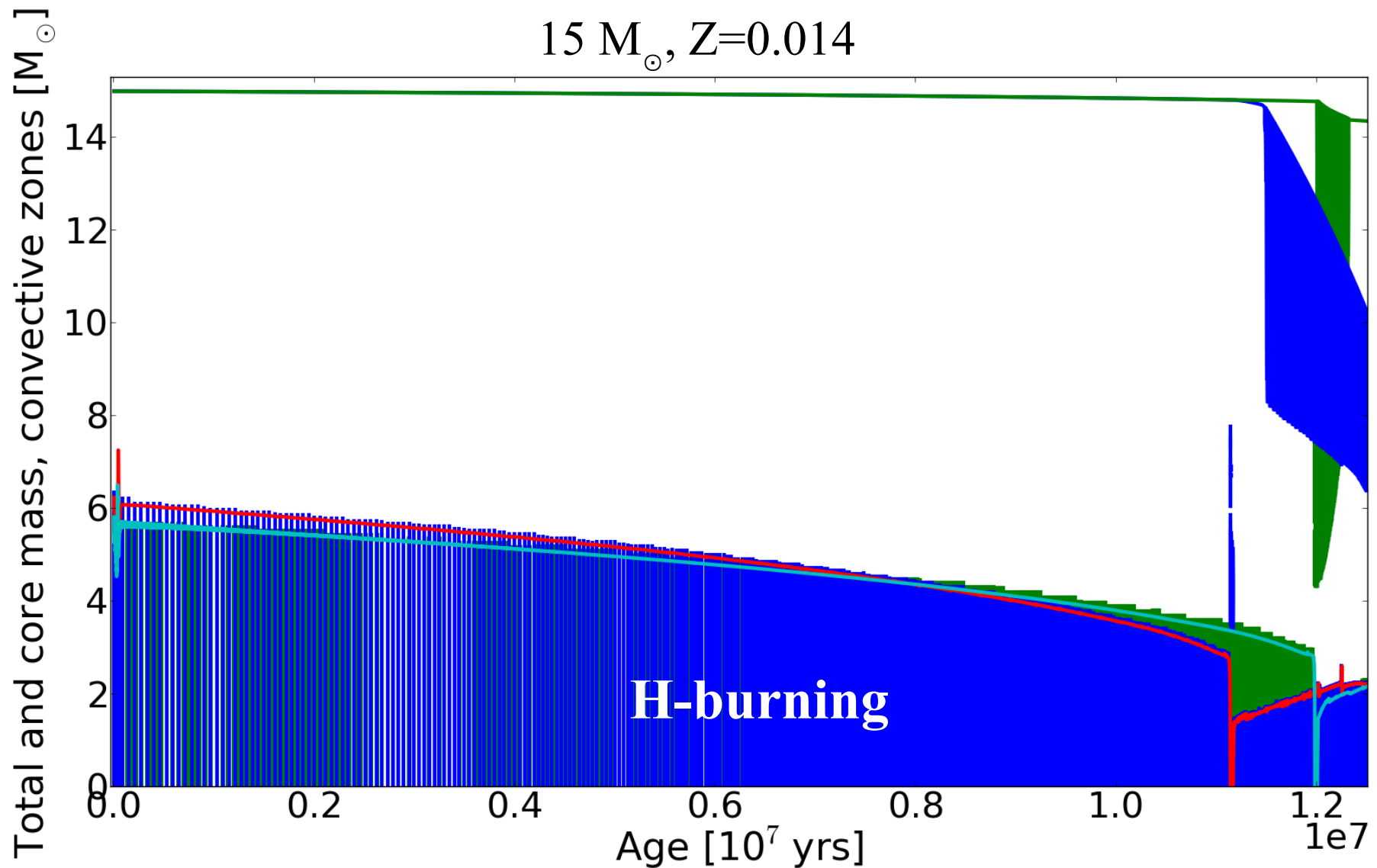
# 3D versus 1D



- Improved prescriptions for CBM needed!

# *Back to 1D*

Penetrative vs *exp-D* CBM: prescription choice affects results



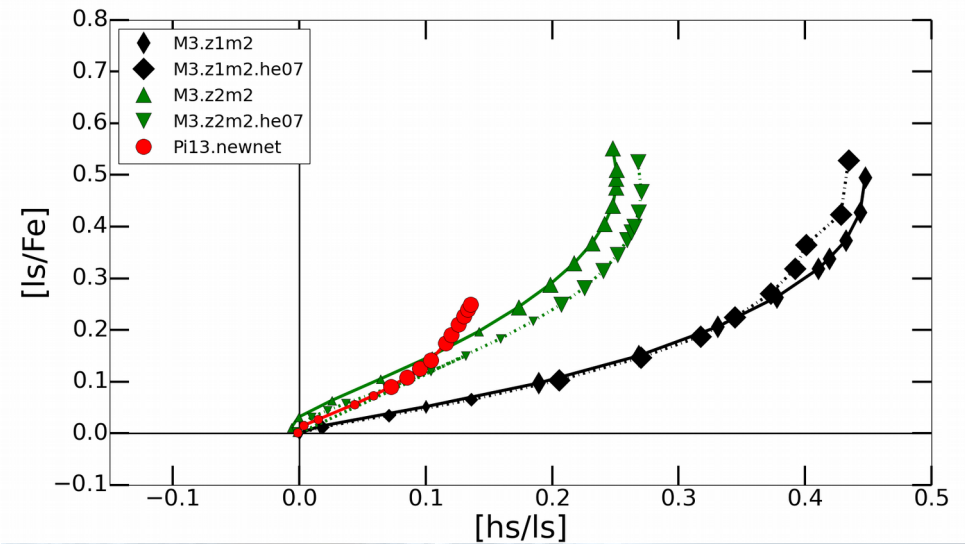
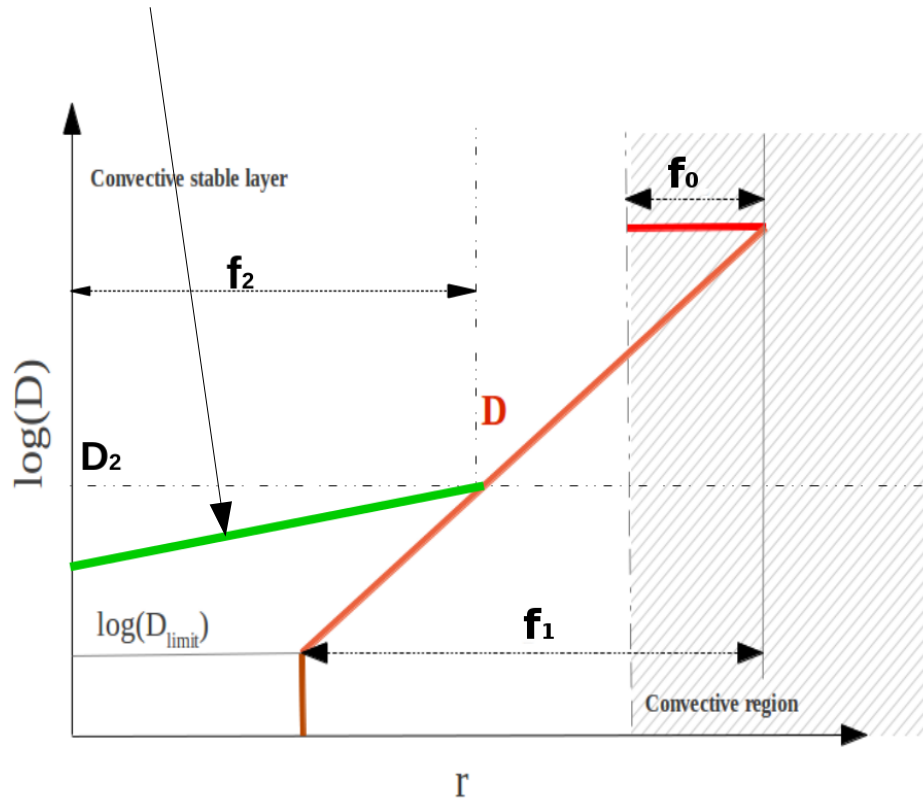


# Back to 1D: CBM in AGB Stars (NuGrid project)

## Internal gravity wave (IGW) driven mixing

Battino, ..., Hirschi et al ApJ 2016

2-3  $M_{\odot}$ ,  $Z=0.01-0.02$



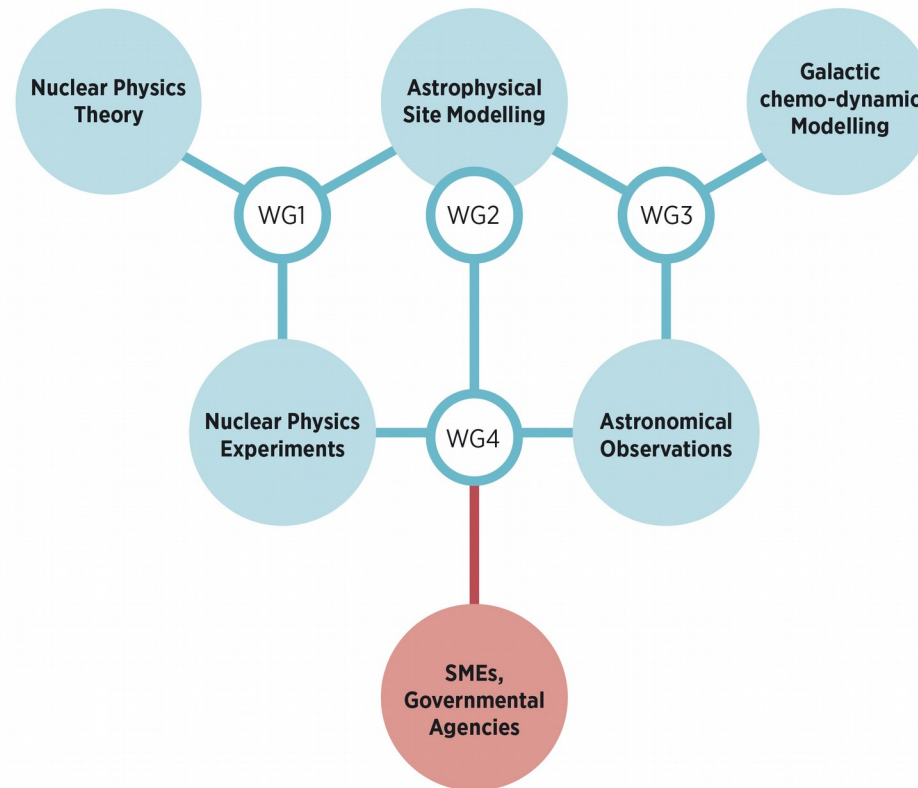
1) CBM (first  $f$ ) plays a key role both for the C13 pocket via CBM below CE (needed for TDU) and for the c12 & o16 abundances in the intershell via CBM below TPs

2) IGW (second  $f$ ) plays a key role for the C13 pocket (not so much for mixing below the Tps)

Study of the effects of rotation and B-field underway (den Hartogh, Hirschi, Herwig et al in prep)

## Chemical Elements as Tracers of the Evolution of the Cosmos

A network to bring European research, science and business together to further our understanding of the early universe

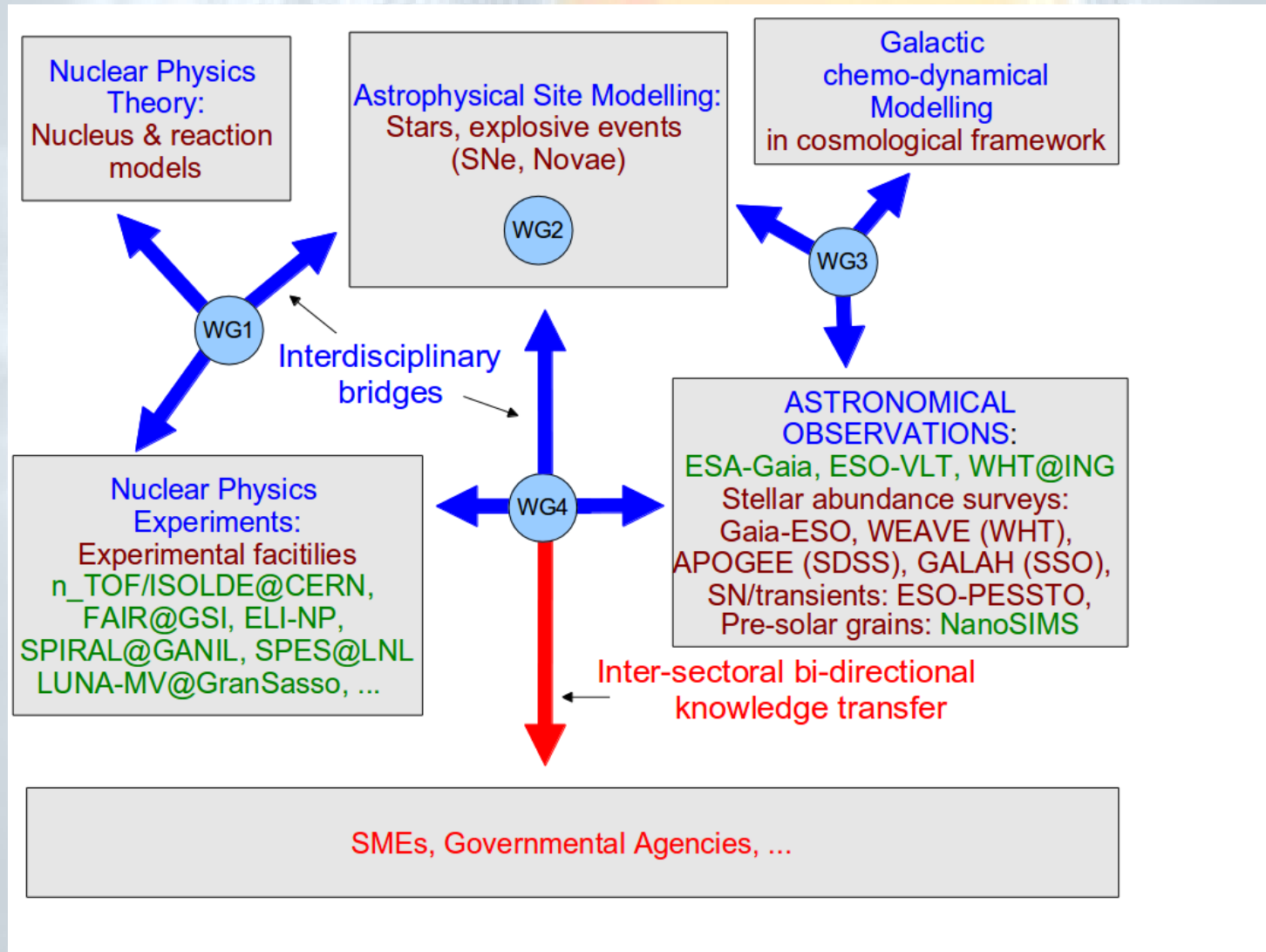


29 countries have already joined ChETEC to coordinate research efforts in Nuclear

**Astrophysics:** Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and United Kingdom

## What is ChETEC about? (pronounced [ketek])

Main challenge: tackle key open questions and link European facilities.







# *How to Get Involved?*

www.chetec.eu

COST Actions are open and inclusive

Everyone can participate ... but budget is limited given scale of network

(Most countries already have management committee members)

- 1) Join a WG by contacting the WG leader and the Action chair
- 2) Sign up to ChETEC mailing list (to be set up soon)
- 3) Contribute to the “knowledge hubs”: including at least one directory of datasets per WG
- 4) “Young” scientists are encouraged to attend the training schools
- 5) Propose, organise, host COST events

[http://www.cost.eu/participate/join\\_action](http://www.cost.eu/participate/join_action)

# *Activities Planned in 2017-2018 (Year 1)* [www.chetec.eu](http://www.chetec.eu)

- 1) Short-term Scientific Missions (STSMs): throughout the year with evaluation deadlines every 3-4 months
- 2) *Proposed* Training schools (confirmed by next week):
  - Gamma-ray measurements and target preparation (main contact: Livius Trache):  
April 2018 @ IFIN-HH (ELI-NP), Bucharest, Romania
  - R-matrix calculations for nuclear astrophysics (main contact: Fairouz Hammache)  
13-15 September 2017 @ IPN, Orsay, France
- 3) Main Action workshop involving all WGs: October 9-11, Keele University, UK (main contact R. Hirschi)

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# *Conclusions & Outlook*

- Large grids of models with comprehensive nucleosynthesis for weak s process published
- Key nuclear reaction list established for weak s process
- 1D to 3D to 1D work underway for convection (and rotation). Priority list established: **large effort needed!**
- ChETEC COST Action started: see [www.chetec.eu](http://www.chetec.eu) for more info