## First stars in the universe

#### **Outline:**

PopIII: single/binary stars an Population

PopIII: simulations PopIII: detectability

 $\rightarrow\,$  with e.m. signals  $\rightarrow\,$  with GW Signals.











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### First stars: definition and open issues

- Defined as stellar objects with metallicity  $Z_* \le 10^{-4} Z_0$
- Why this definition is highly problematic?
  - 1. Physical processes regulating star formation and evolution are mainly known at  $Z_{\star} \geq 10^{\text{-2}}~Z_{0}$  .
  - 2. Efficiencies are calibrated with observations.
    - → A single Pop III star is difficult to model
      - → Hydrodynamical simulations of "zero"-metallicity cloud Fragmentation →
      - 2.1 High masses  $M_{\star} \thicksim 10\text{--}10^3~M_{\odot}$
      - 2.2 **Short lifetimes** t<sub>\*</sub> < 3 Myr 2.3 **End of life** as PISN or BH



white dots  $M^* <$  1  $M_{\odot}$  , yellow asterisks M > 1  $M_{\odot}$ 

Chon et al. (2021)

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- Why this definition is highly problematic?
  - 1. Mass distribution (IMF) unknown @Z  $_{\star} < 10^{\text{-4}} \ Z_{\odot}$  .
  - 2. Are Pop III mainly created as single or binary stars?
    - → A binary of Pop III stars is even more difficult to model
      - → Hydrodynamical simulations of "zero"-metallicity of binaries ??
      - 2.1 Are High masses in a binary stables? 2.2 Coevolution ?? → Binary BH-BH



Hosokawa et al. (2016)

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- Why this definition is highly problematic?
  - 1. Cosmological evolution linked to feedback during EoR .
    - → Radiative Feedback → Reionization ← Pop III suppression
    - → Chemical Feedback → Enrichment ← Pop III suppression
  - When Pop III star formation ends?

→ Transition Pop III/II

**Galaxy hosting Pop III?** 

- Pop III Signatures? → e.m. Hell lines
  - → GW emitted by coalescing binaries with high BH mass.



### A new era of GW Astronomy, Astrophysics, Cosmology



### Future: both E.M. and G.W. accessing high-z universe

# Hydro: dustyGadget —

# Details on galaxy ISM, better star formation, improved chemistry

 The assembly of dusty galaxies at z > 4 (Graziani L. et al., MNRAS, 2020)

# **GAMESH+BSEEMP** — Low metallicity binaries



 Merging black hole binaries with BSEEMP (Tanikawa et al., ApJ 2022, Valli 2022, MsC, Sapienza)

# RT: CRASH/SKIRT — Reionization/SED of dusty galaxies

 Large scale Reionization
 (Eide M., Ciardi, B., L.G. et al., MNRAS, 2020)





## Statistical Properties → Scaling relations

i.e.

## Connecting M\*, SFR, Z, dust in a unique statistical framework

(Claudia di Cesare, PhD, Sapienza)

## Build-up of stellar mass and galaxy scaling relations



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**Claudia di Cesare**, LG, R. Schneider et al., arXiv:2209.05496



# Pop III hosts & Detectability

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# Connecting Pop III hosting galaxies with RT signatures

### (Alessandra Venditti PhD, Sapienza)



Alessandra Venditti, LG, R. Schneider, L. Pentericci, et al., in prep.

Pop III  $\rightarrow$  Pop II transition strictly depends on global Feedback.

Pop III star formation suffers progressively large Oscillations as far as the UV background due to Cosmic Reionization establishes



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At present no models have all feedback processes included.

Extended Pop III star formation Can be present in all MS Galaxies

→ large galaxies could host Pop III star forming regions





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Halo ID	${ m Log}M_*/{ m M}_{\odot}$	$Log M_3/M_*$	$\rm SFR~[M_{\odot}yr^{-1}]$	${\rm Log}M_{\rm dust}/{\rm M}_{\odot}$	${\rm Log}M_{\rm gas}/{\rm M}_{\odot}$	${\rm Log}M_{\rm DM}/{\rm M}_{\odot}$
z = 6.7						
U8H0	10.37	-4.05	176	8.27	11.25	12.04
U8H1	9.97	-3.66	61	7.61	11.19	11.94
U7H6	9.90	-3.50	42	7.75	10.85	11.61
U13H0	9.75	-3.44	53	7.29	10.97	11.73
z = 7.3						
U6H0	10.00	-3.59	67	7.83	10.85	11.66
U8H0	9.99	-3.68	78	7.78	11.08	11.85
U8H1	9.83	-3.52	57	7.46	10.96	11.70
U7H2	9.62	-2.91	<b>46</b>	7.16	10.81	11.56
U12H2	9.50	-3.19	25	7.05	10.81	11.57
U8H4	9.49	-3.18	25	7.21	10.66	11.41
U6H2	9.44	-3.13	18	7.14	10.63	11.40
U7H3	9.44	-2.83	20	6.76	10.80	11.55
U10H2	9.41	-2.80	26	6.86	10.63	11.40
U13H2	9.38	-3.07	17	6.87	10.59	11.35
U13H0	9.35	-2.69	19	6.92	10.73	11.46
U10H3	9.33	-3.02	15	6.87	10.62	11.35
U7H95	9.00	-2.38	7	6.10	10.18	10.59
			z = 8.1			
U12H3	9.40	-3.08	18	7.15	10.42	11.20
U8H2	9.37	-3.06	24	6.88	10.65	11.39
U12H1	9.35	-3.04	23	6.80	10.63	11.37
U8H1	9.33	-2.93	28	6.76	10.68	11.44
U7H4	9.18	-2.26	18	6.58	10.55	11.30
U8H5	9.02	-2.61	11	6.46	10.45	11.20
U10H2	9.01	-2.70	10	5.95	10.43	11.18
U10H5	8.99	-2.68	8	6.51	10.22	10.99
U6H5	8.97	-2.65	8	6.25	10.37	11.12



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RT simulations tracking the escaping Spectrum can predict transient HeII lines

Pop III and X-rays binaries could be Confused in a low metallicity case..



# Archaeology as complementary tool

### i.e.

# Gravitational Waves from Pop III binaries (Ruggero Valli, MsC, Sapienza)



## **BSEEMP:** Pop III binaries



Ruggero Valli, LG, R. Schneider, MsC Sapienza.

Coalescence rate as a function of primary BH mass



Low-Z binaries during EoR with long delay times would be a natural channel to explain high-mass coalescing binaries already in O3!

## **BSEEMP:** Pop III binaries

Ruggero Valli, LG, R. Schneider, MsC Sapienza.

Coalescence rate as a function of redshift: comparing Pop II and Pop III events



## CONCLUSIONS

- New signals from the Remote Universe from both E.M. and G.W. observations already available and will increase in statistics in the years to come thanks to new facilities.
- Discovery of Pop III stars requires **updates in theoretical models of both star formation** and galaxy formation, especially in the low-mass / low-metallicity regimes.
- GAMESH was successfully applied to interpret both E.M. detections and sources of G.W. consistently with the assembly history of our Local Group galaxies →

BSEEMP is ready for Pop III binaries while their detectability in GW at z = 0 remains problematic !

- Hydro and RT codes are ready to improve models of IGM reionization but New RT schemes are required to interpret the ISM ionization and spectral signatures of Pop III stars.
- dustyGadget is ready to interpret present observed dusty galaxies while its ISM requires a more detailed dusty physics on galactic scales of the ISM → low scale metal enrichment affects Pop III in big galaxies.
- Not the whole story: improvements can be made both on Galaxy models and BPS Stellar models to predict new kind of signals as they will be discovered by future facilities.