

Some open questions on the physics of (massive) stars

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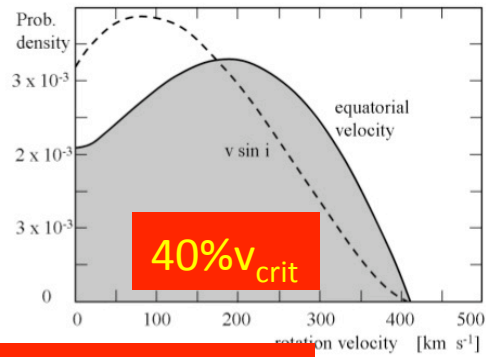
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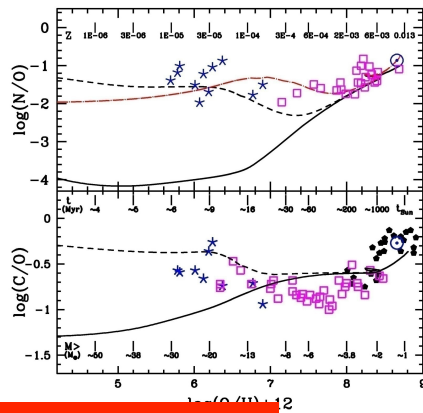
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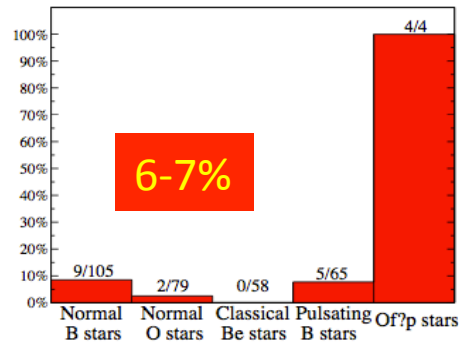


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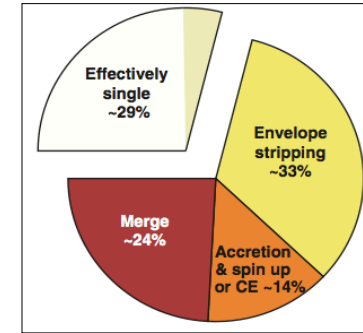
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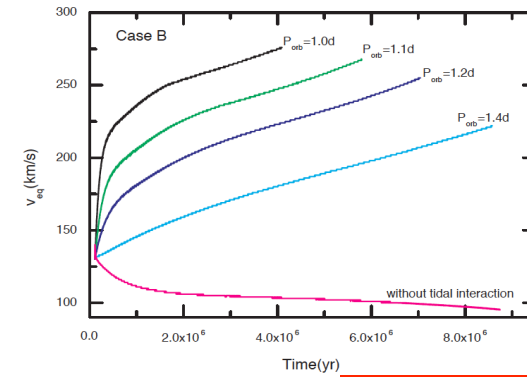


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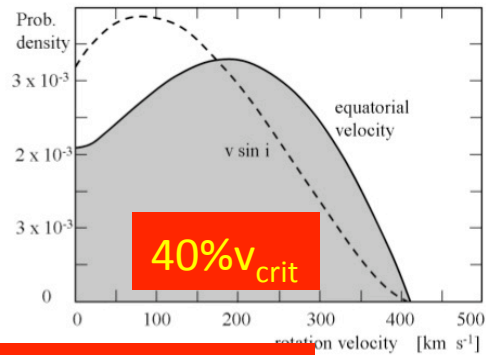
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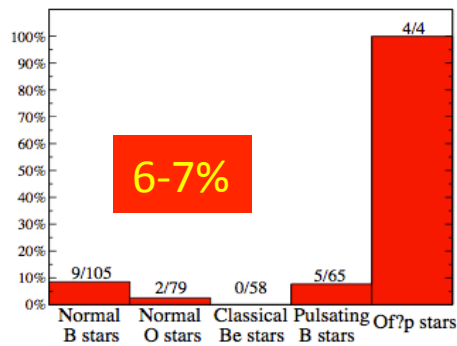
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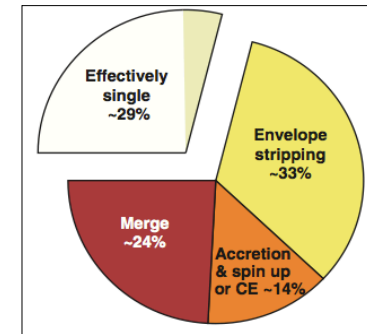
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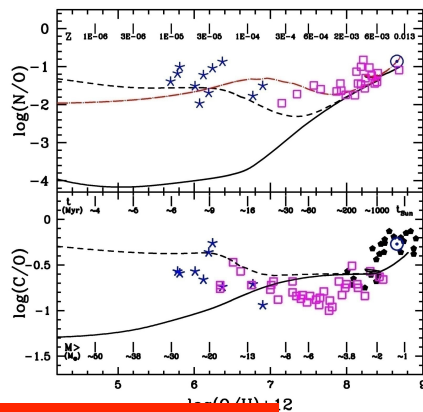
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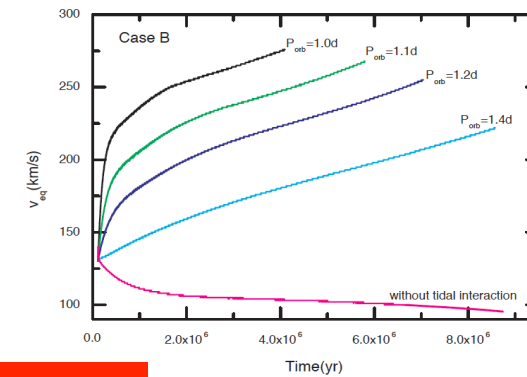


What is the origin of these distributions

How do these distributions vary with metallicity?

How do these distributions vary with the environment? (e.g. stellar density)

What are the impacts on the interior?



Song et al. 2013

TWO TOPICS

- **ANGULAR MOMENTUM**
- **BLUE SUPERGIANTS**

1) ANGULAR MOMENTUM



TRANSPORT PROCESSES INDUCED BY ROTATION

What is needed : An energy reservoir

A process which extracts energy from this reservoir for producing a movement

Two types of energy reservoir

1) Excess energy in differential rotation

2) Thermal energy

Gradient of Ω needed

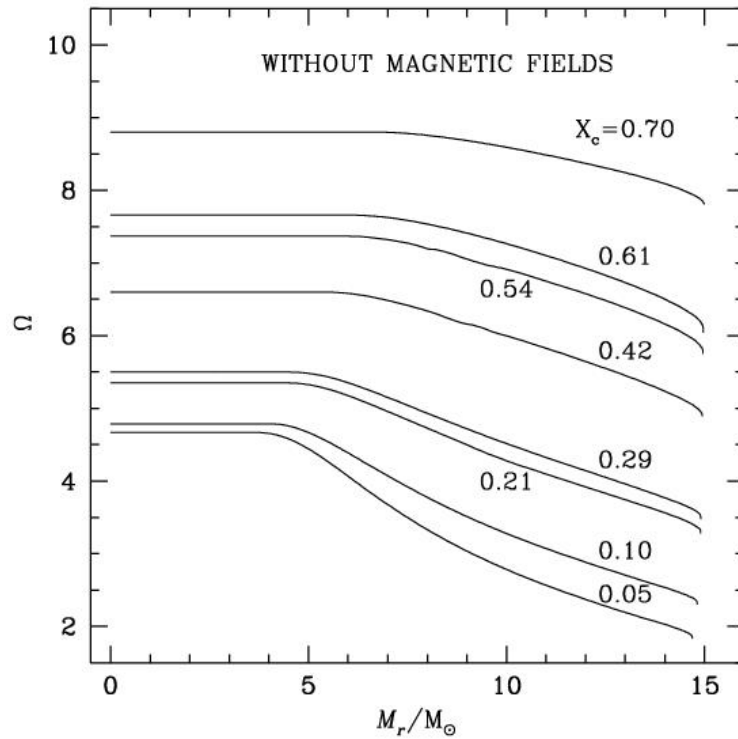
Ω needed

The process is viscosity

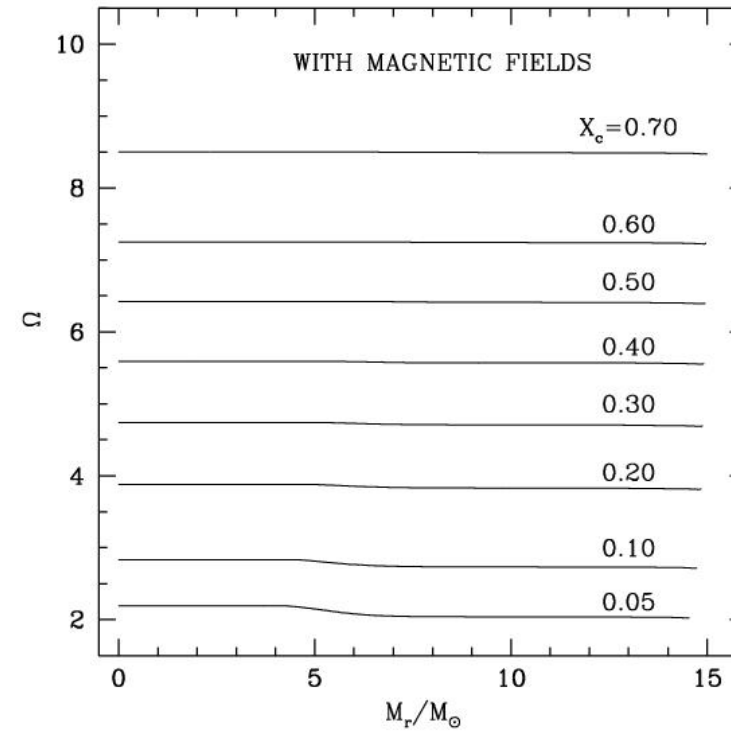
The process is meridional circulation

THE TWO FAMILIES OF ROTATING STELLAR EVOLUTION MODELS

MIXING IS SHEAR DRIVEN



MIXING IS DRIVEN BY MERIDIONAL CURRENTS



Mixing efficiency increases
with rotation, initial masses, decreasing metallicity in both cases

SHEAR DRIVEN MIXING

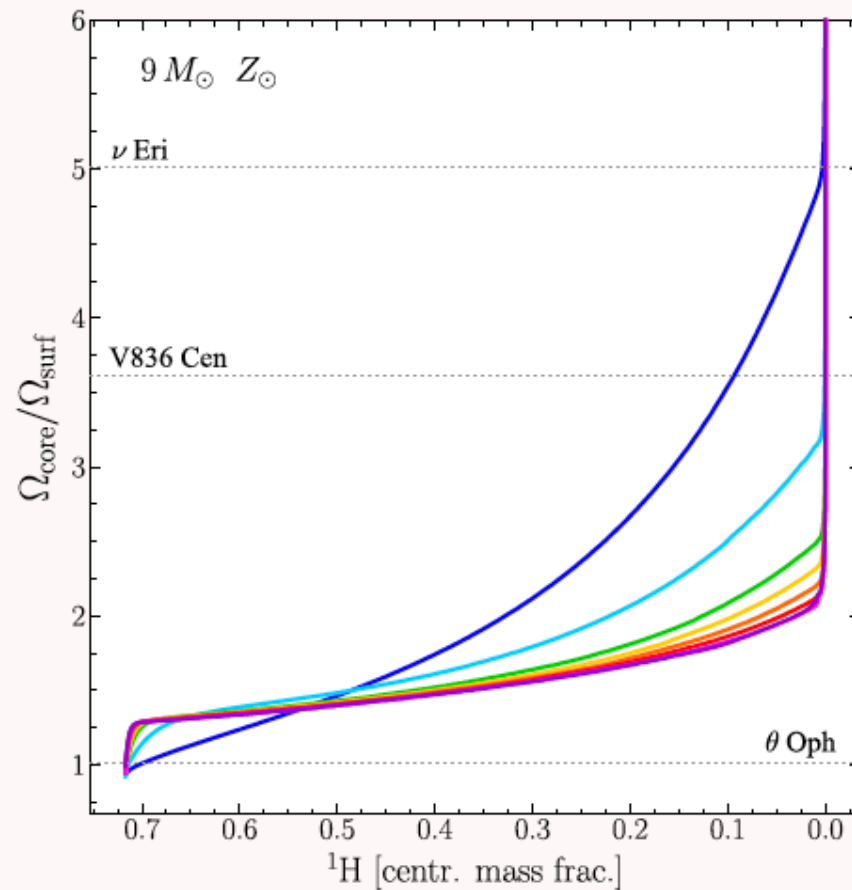
MERIDIONAL CURRENTS DRIVEN MIXING

Internal rotation

Radial gradients

Uniform rotation

Models from Georgy+ 2013b, obs. values from Aerts 2008



Aerts 2008, Goupil 2011

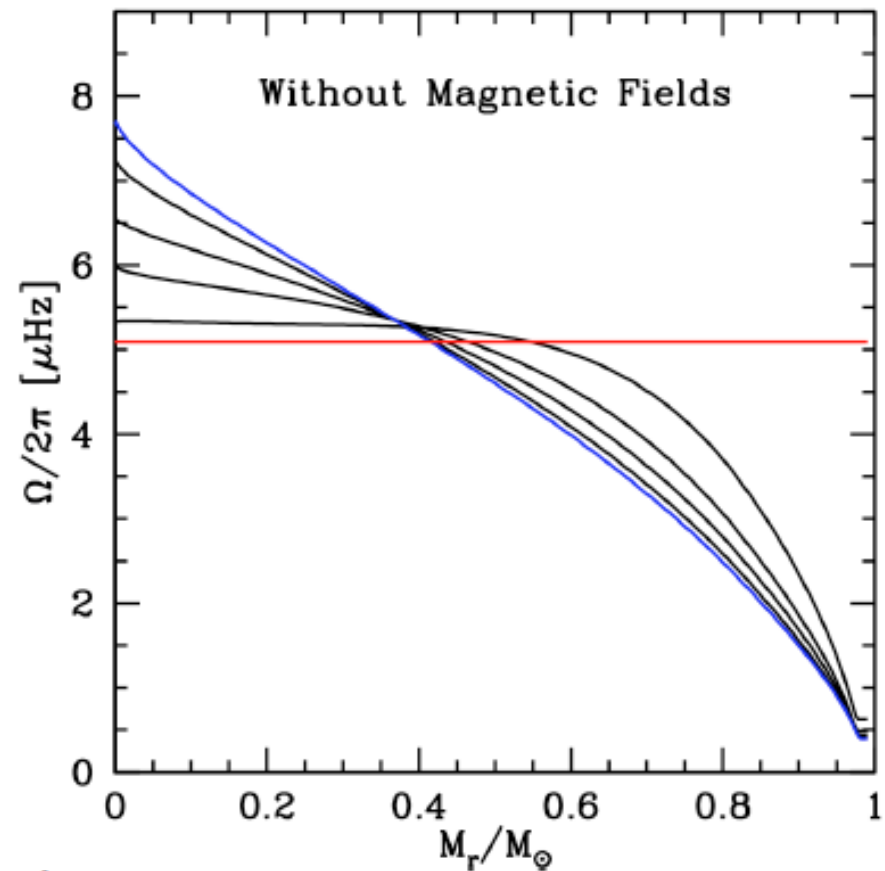
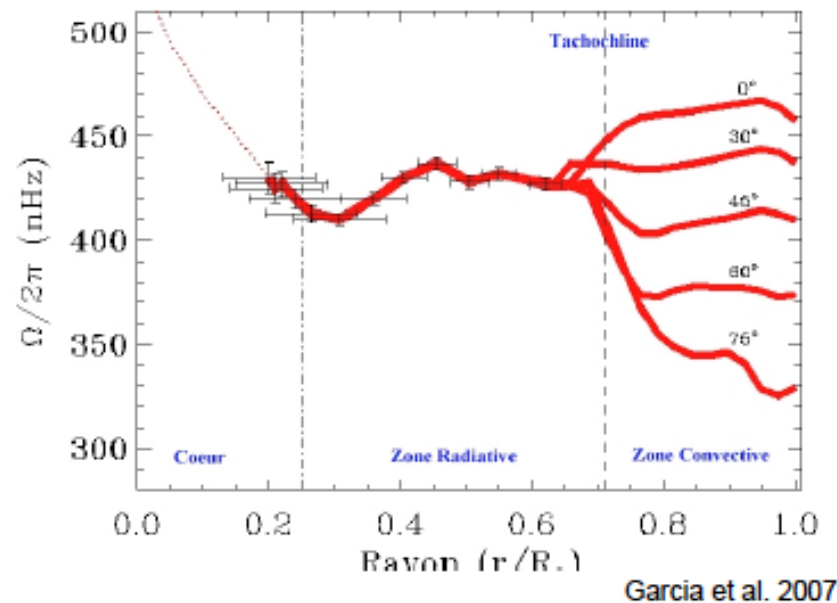
star	$\Omega_{\text{core}}/\Omega_{\text{env}}$
ν Eri	~ 5
V836 Cen	3.6
θ Oph	~ 1
12 Lac	1.8 – 5

The solar rotation profile

- Helioseismic measurements

- Rotational splittings:

$$\delta\omega_{nlm} = m\beta_{nl} \int_0^R K_{nl}(r)\Omega(r)dr$$

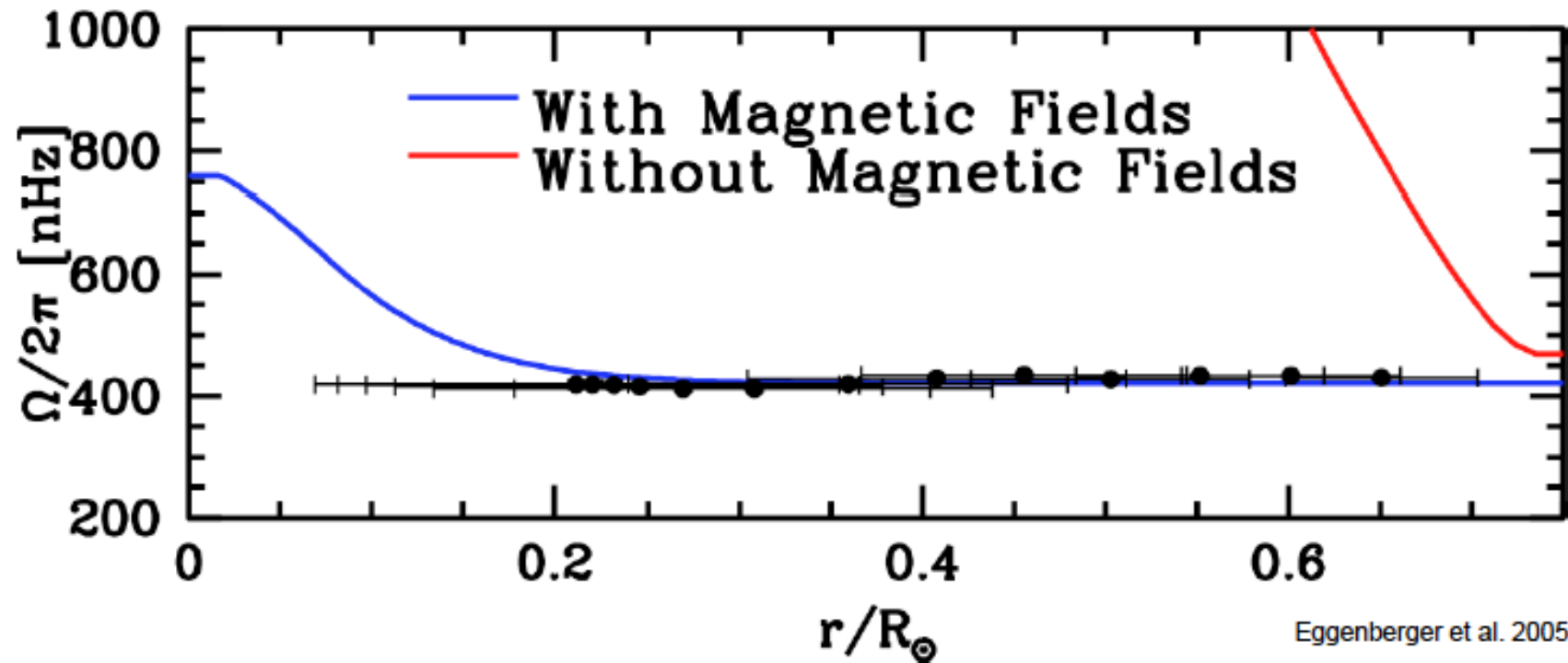


- Problem with shellular rotation

Pinsonneault et al. 1989; Chaboyer et al. 1995; Talon et al. 1997; Eggenberger et al. 2005; Turck-Chièze et al. 2010

The solar rotation profile

- Effects of magnetic fields



$$\rho \frac{d}{dt} [r^2 \Omega] = \frac{1}{5r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} [\rho r^4 \Omega U] + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[\rho (D_{\text{shear}} + \nu_{\text{magn}}) r^4 \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial r} \right]$$

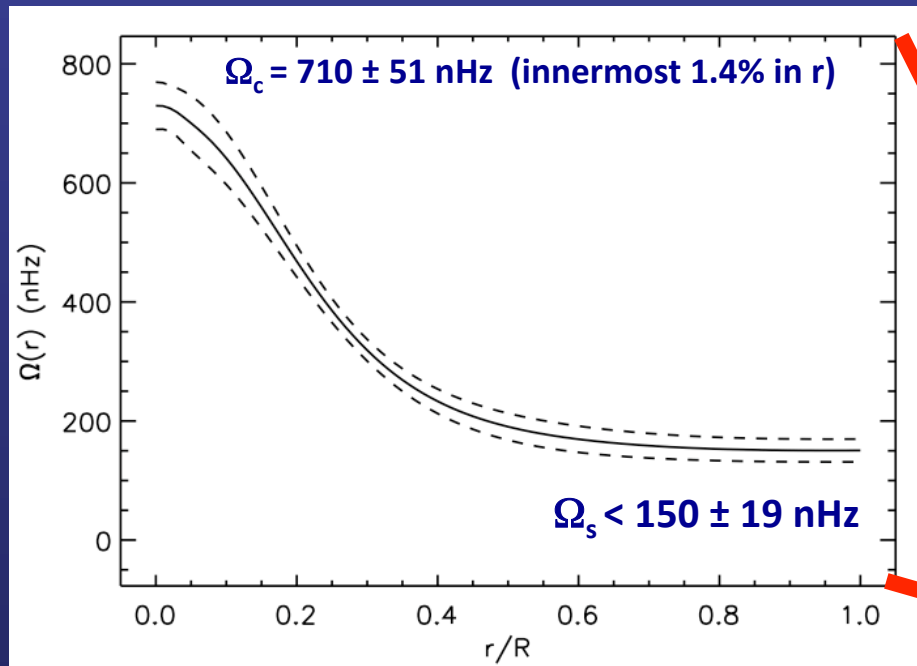
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Mixed modes in the red giant KIC 7341231 ($0.84 M_{\text{sol}}$, $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]=-1$)

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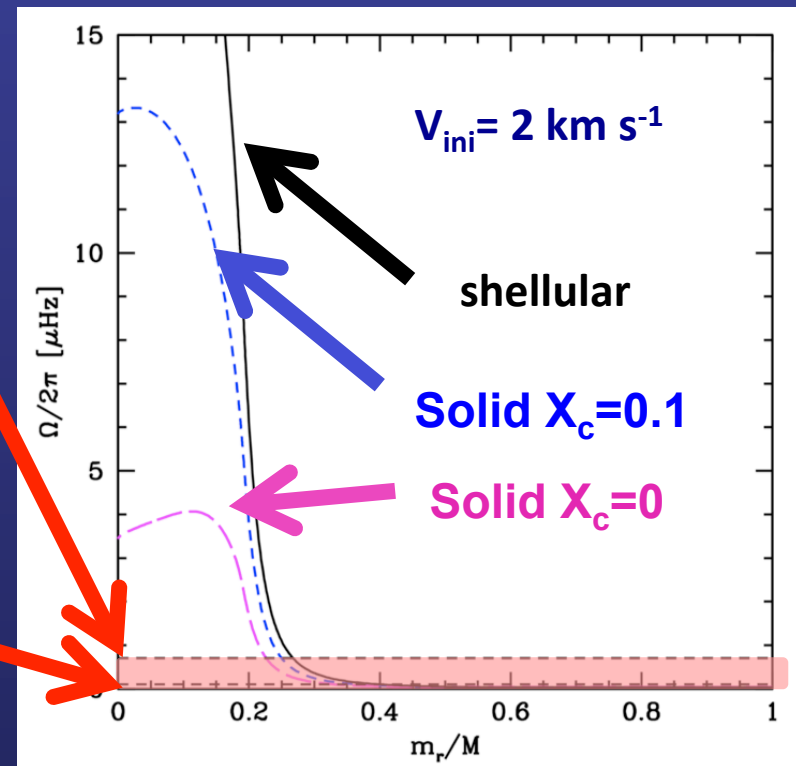
Nano Hertz



Deheuvels et al. 2012

MODELS

Micro Hertz



Ceillier et al. 2013

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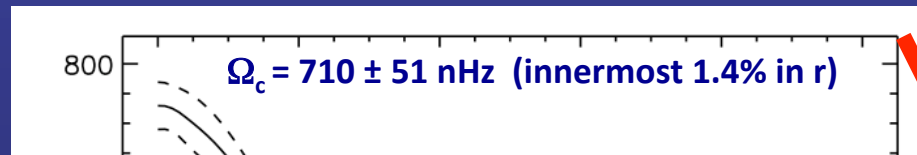
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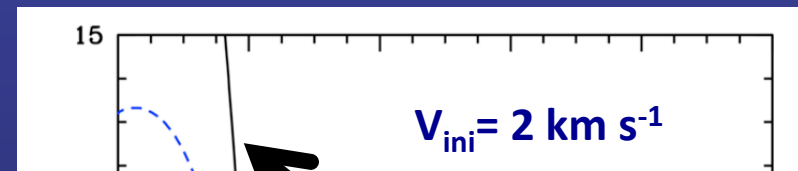
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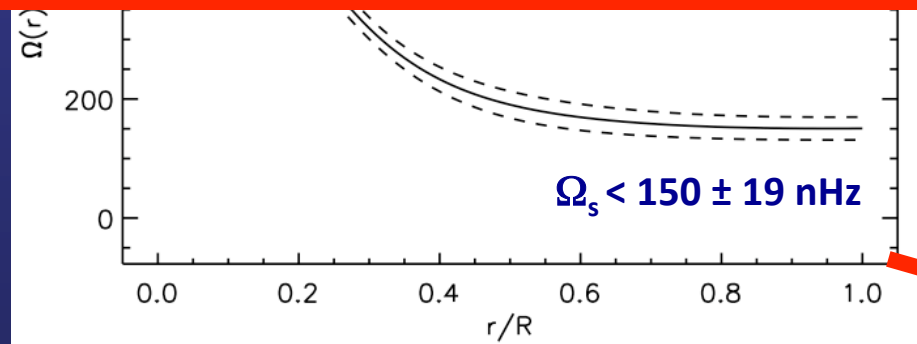
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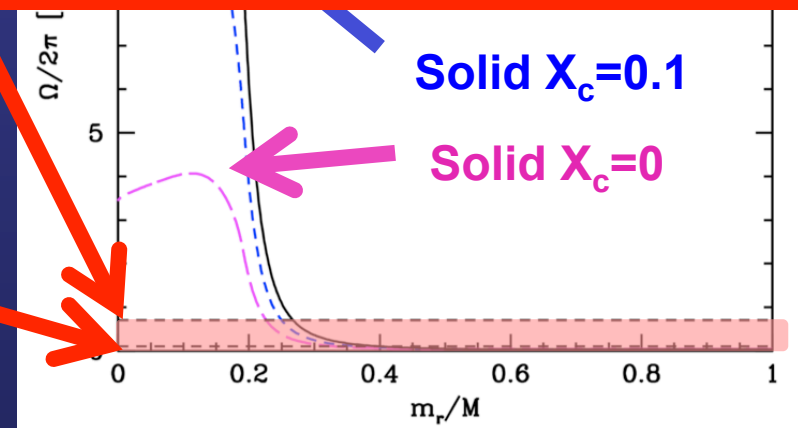
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ADDITIONAL MECHANISM OPERATING DURING THE HR CROSSING



Deheuvels et al. 2012



Ceillier et al. 2013

Angular momentum in the remnant

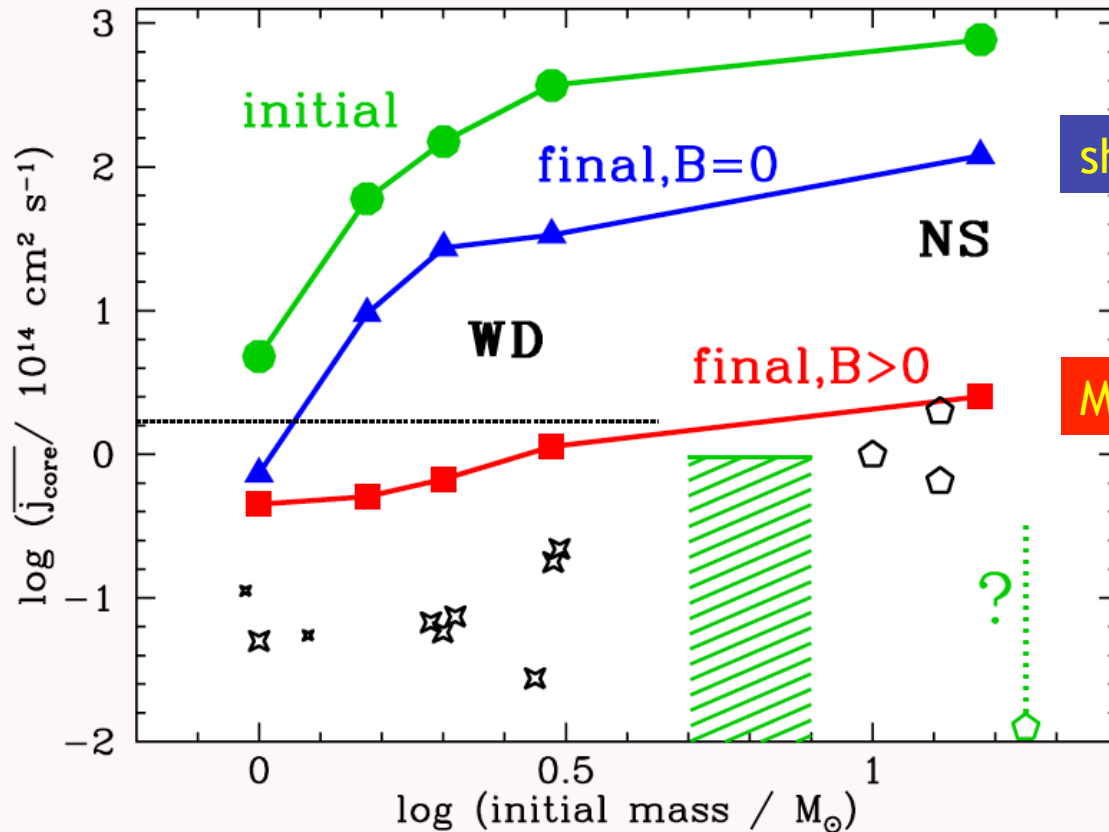
SHEAR DRIVEN MIXING

MERIDIONAL CURRENTS DRIVEN MIXING

Too high

Still too high but
Less than in shear mixing
models

Suijs+ 2008

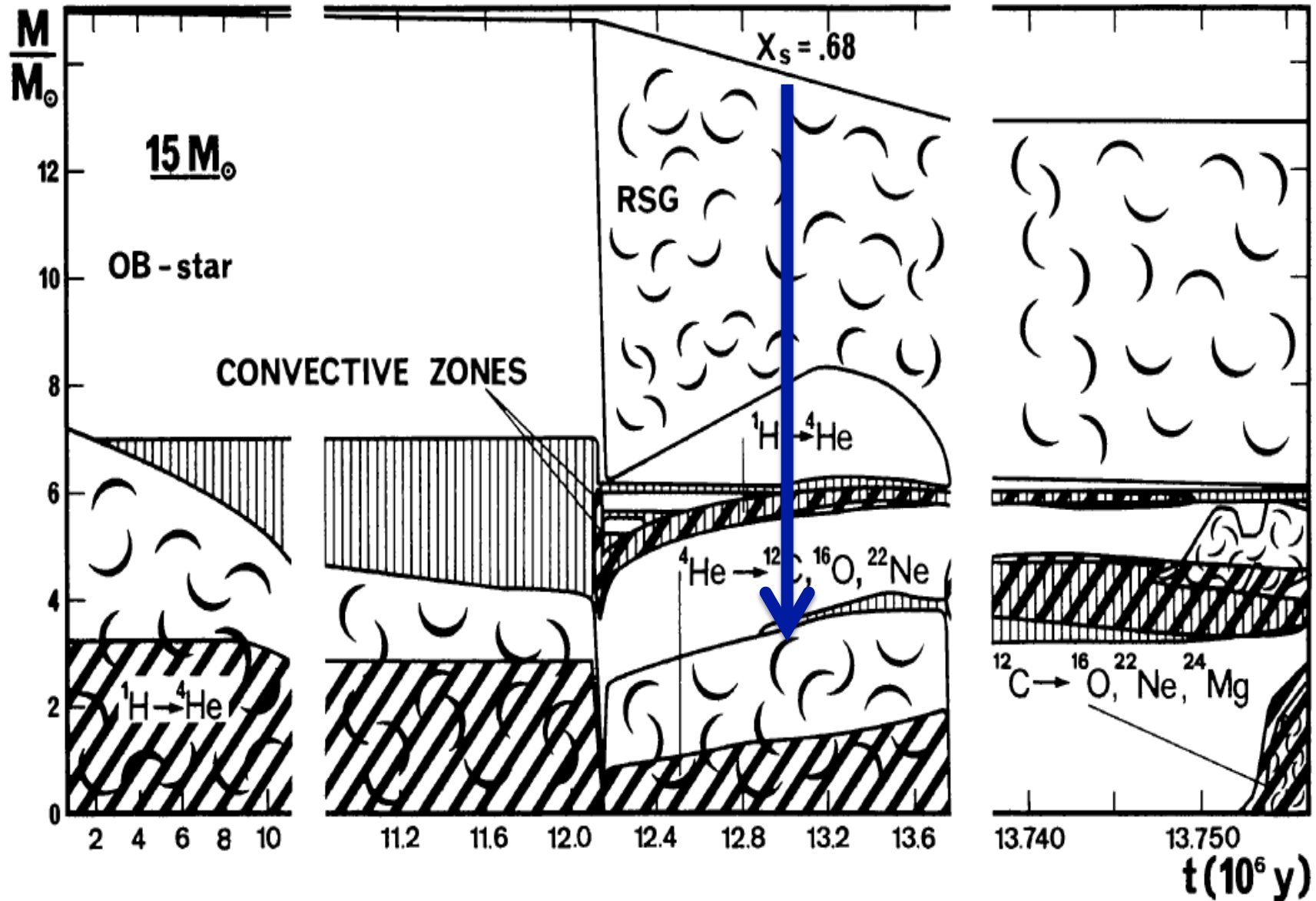


shear

Meridional currents

Magnetic coupling between the core and the intermediate radiative zone

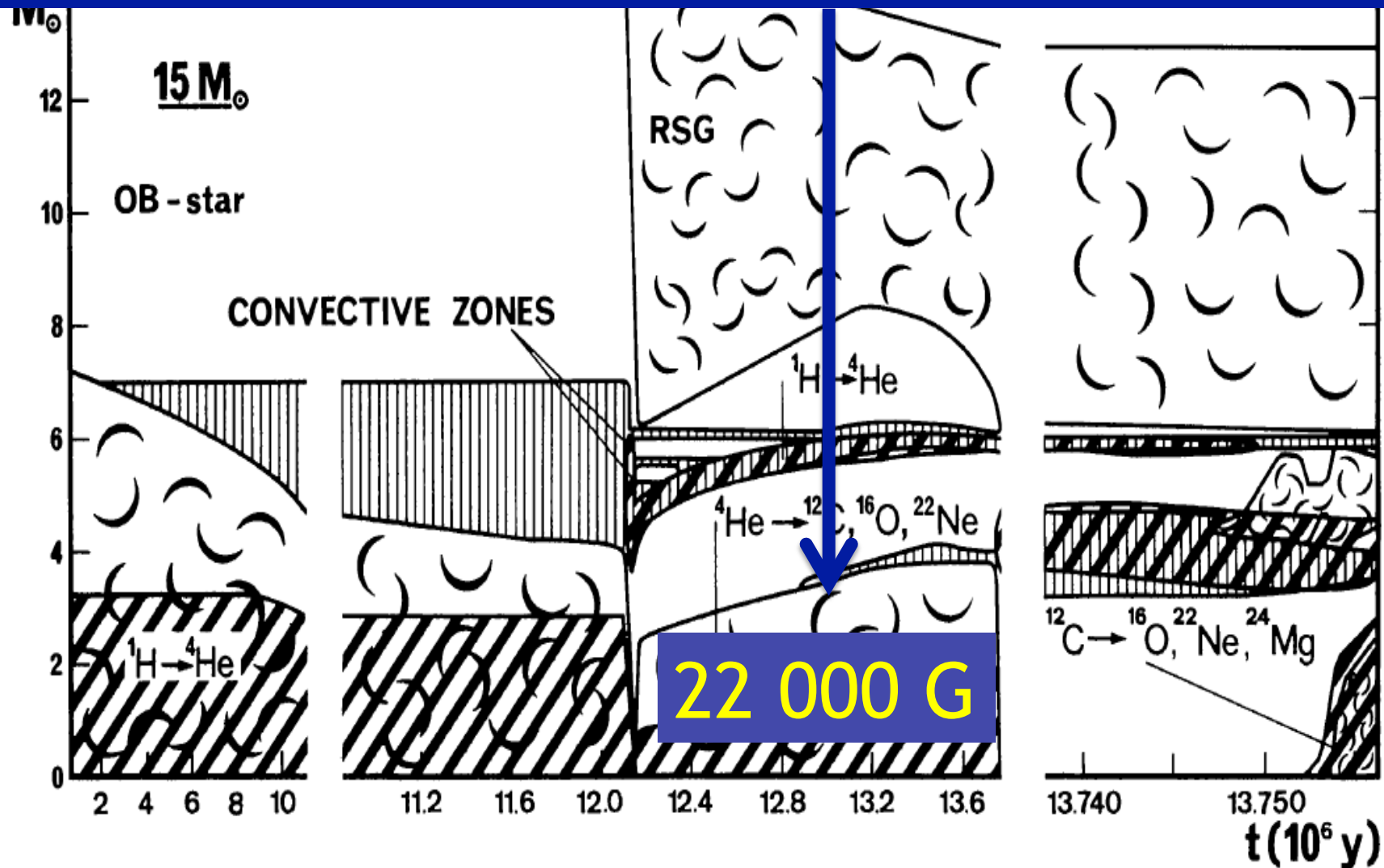
Maeder and Meynet (2014)



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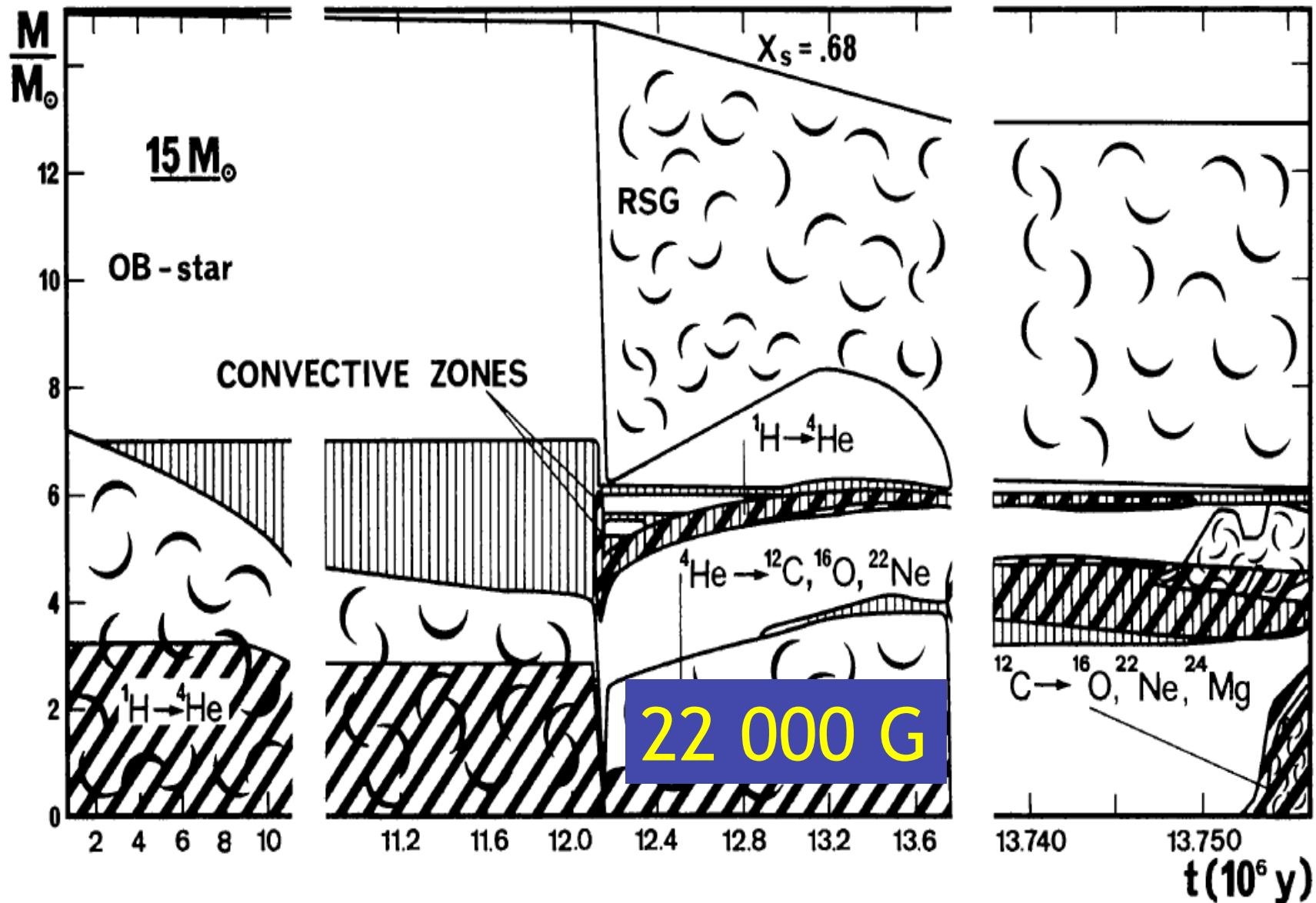
Pulsar $\rightarrow 10^{12}$ G, flux conservation $\rightarrow B_c \sim 22\,000$ G
in core at mid He-burning phase



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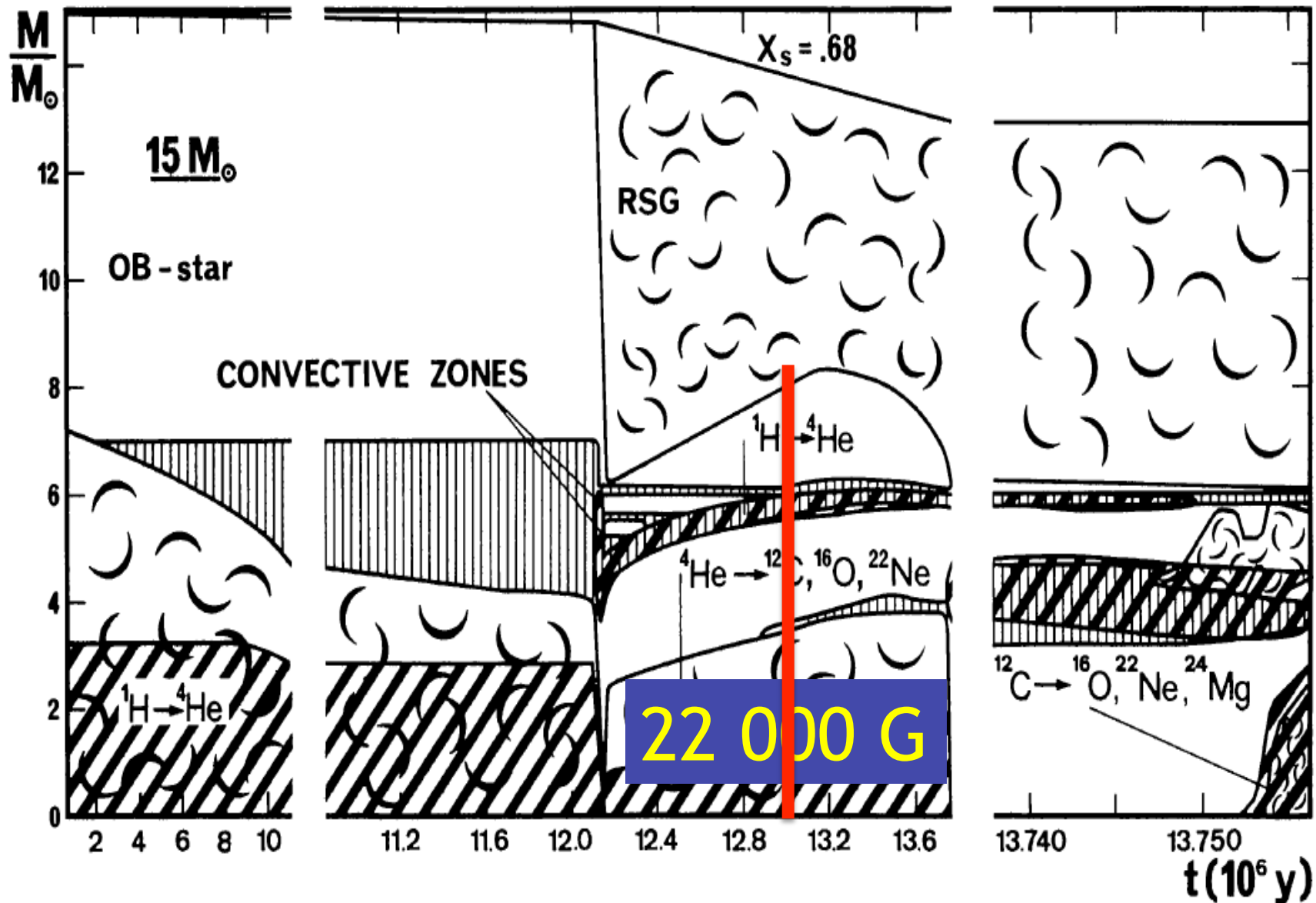
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$$B(r) = B_c \left(\frac{R_c}{r} \right)^n$$

n=2 for radial field
n=3 for dipolar field

Coupling with base of the CZ

$$u_B(r) = \frac{B^2(r)}{8\pi} \quad \text{and} \quad u_{\text{conv}} = \frac{1}{2} \rho v_{\text{conv}}^2$$

n=2

n=3

$$B_c \sim 10^8 \text{ G}$$

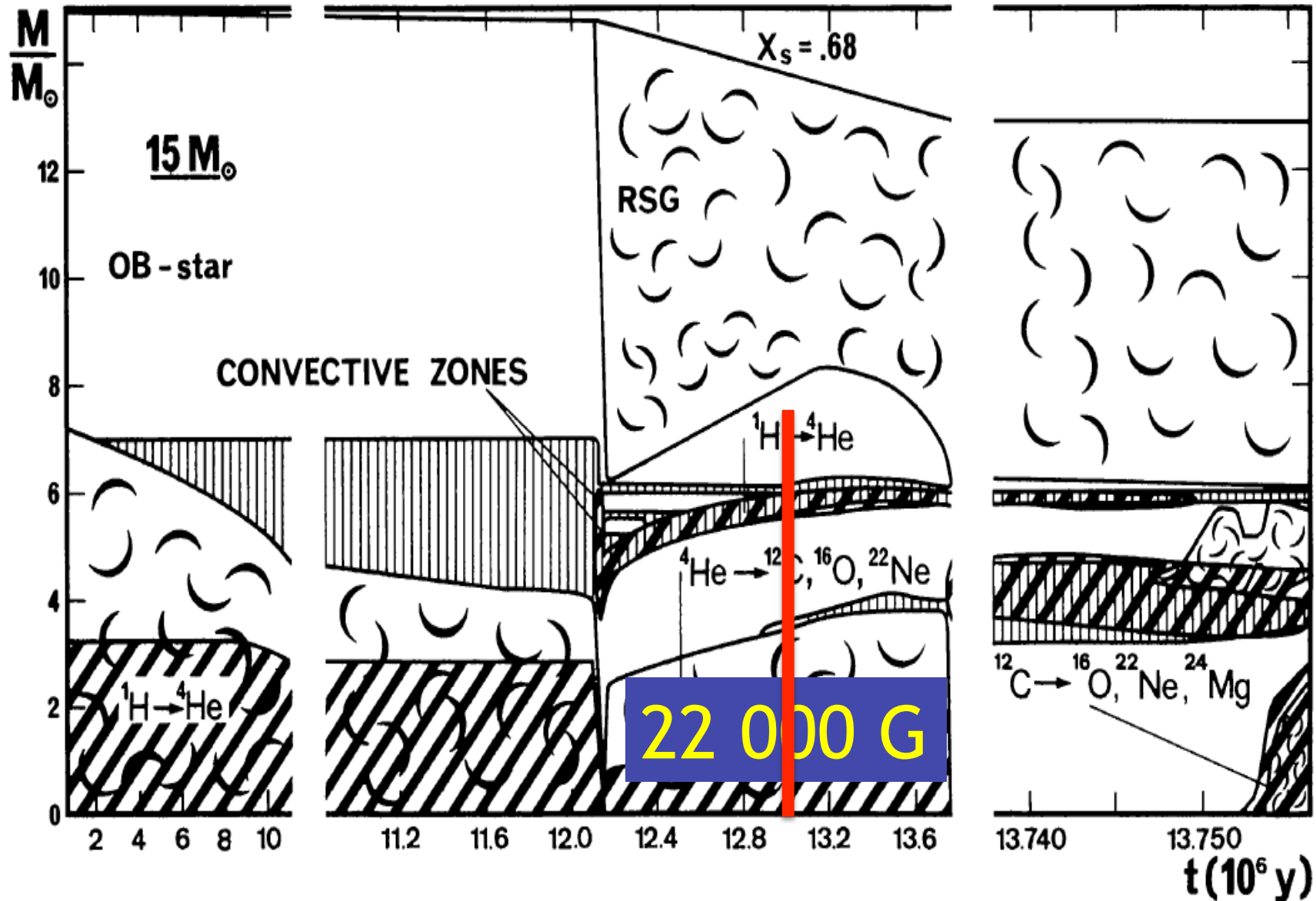
$$B_c \sim 10^{11} \text{ G}$$

Available : $2.2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ G} \rightarrow$ coupling very unlikely

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Coupling with the intermediate radiative zone

$$u_B(r) = \frac{B^2(r)}{8\pi} \quad \text{and} \quad u_h = \frac{1}{2} \varrho \frac{D_h^2}{r^2}$$

n=2

n=3

$B_c \sim 5 \text{ G}$

$B_c \sim 870 \text{ G}$

Available : $2.2 \cdot 10^4 \text{ G} \rightarrow$ coupling possible
But what are the timescales?

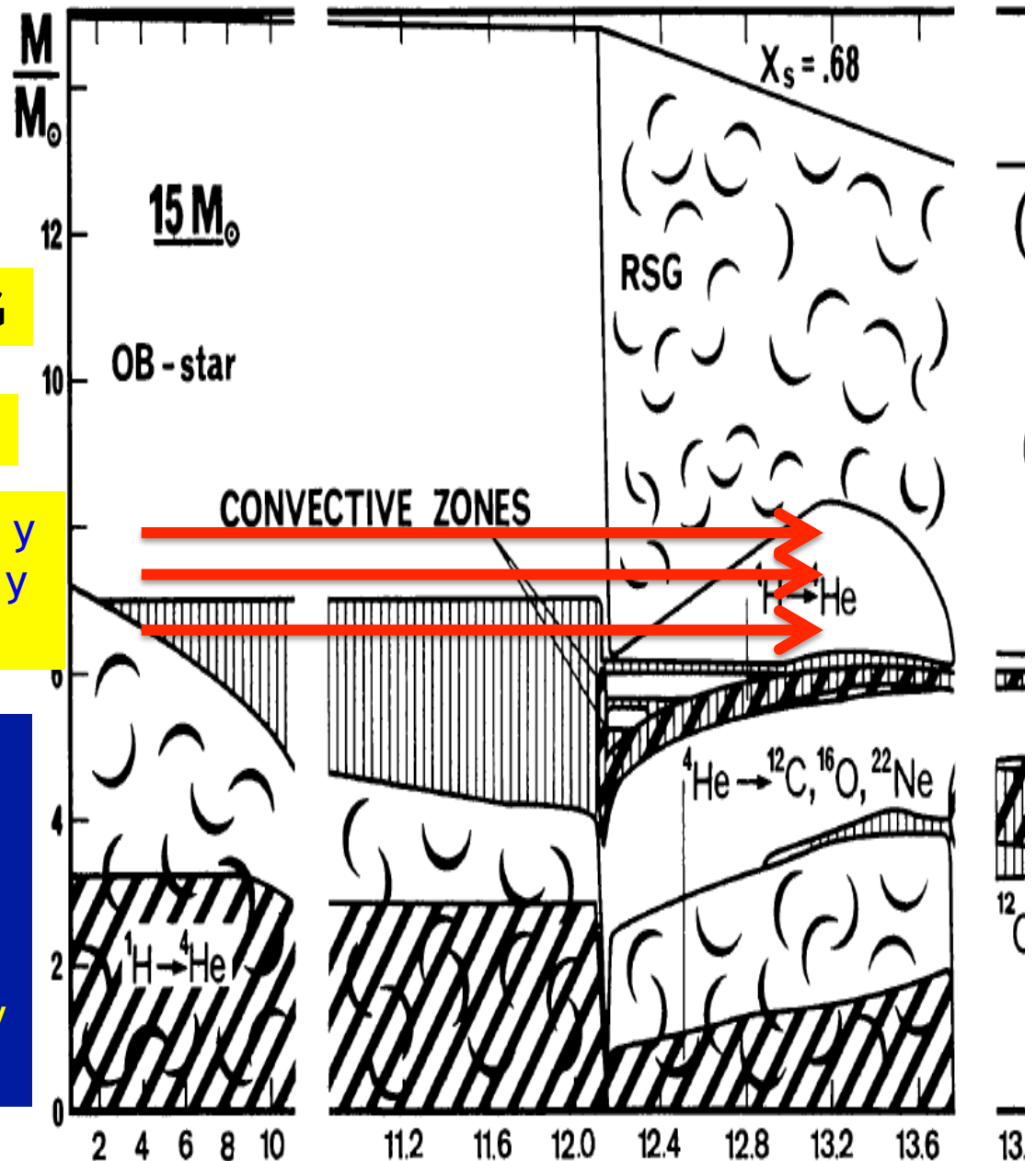
Timescales: Ω/ω_A^2 for $B_c=22000$ G

	n=2	n=3
Outer radi	$3.3 \cdot 10^5$ y.	$6.1 \cdot 10^9$ y
Mid radi	$5.38 \cdot 10^4$ y.	$4.9 \cdot 10^6$ y
Edge core	2000 y.	2000y

Available

Duration crossing HRD 10^5 y
TOO SHORT FOR COUPLING

Duration core He-burning $1.5 \cdot 10^6$ y
OK FOR COUPLING IN CASE n=2



2) BLUE SUPERGIANTS SUCSESSES AND CHALLENGES



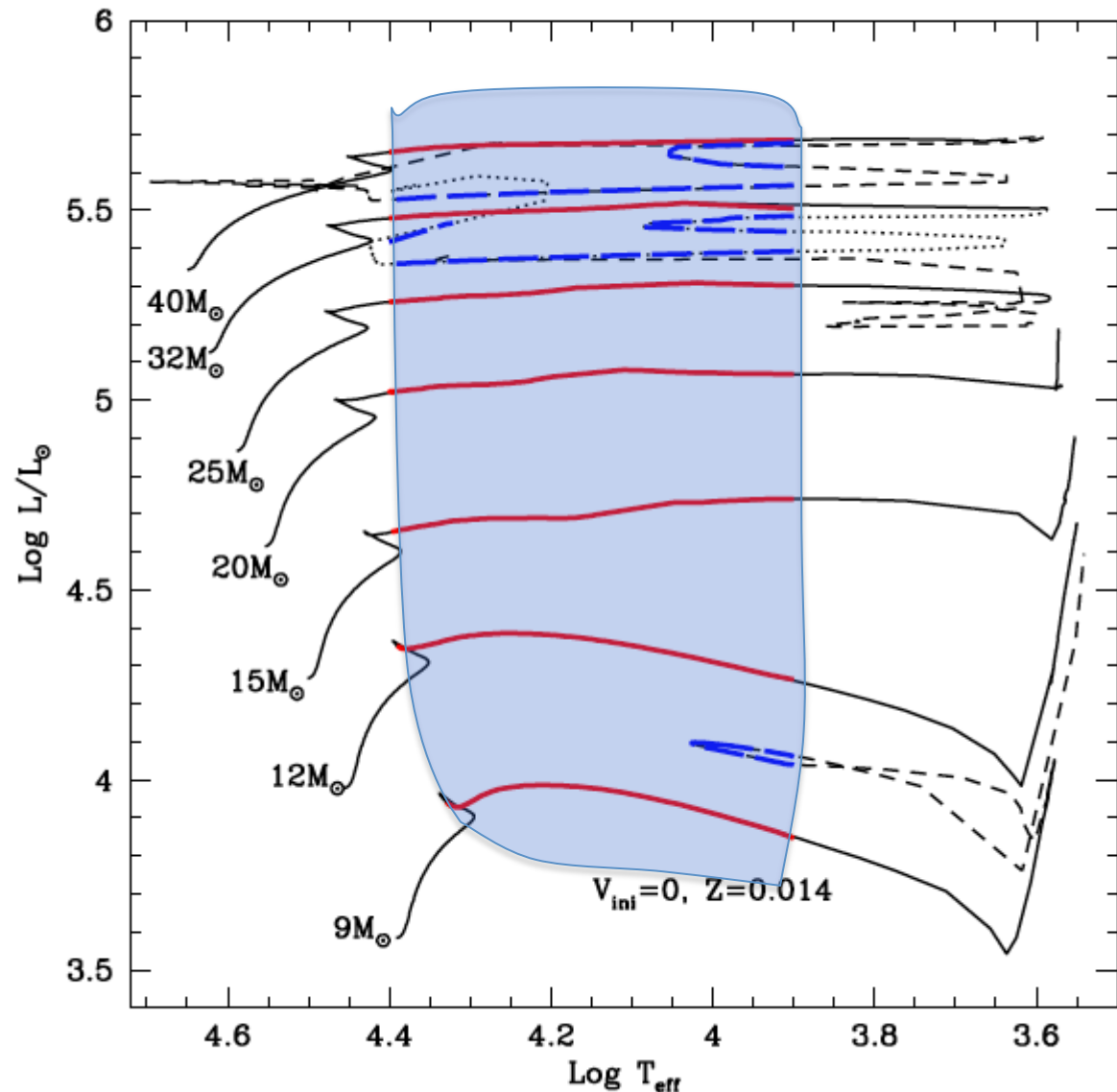
BLUE SUPERGIANTS

10-40 M_{sol}

$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 8000\text{-}20000\text{ K}$

$M_V \sim -9.5\text{ mag}$

AS BRIGHT AS
A Globular Cluster
OR
A DWARF GALAXY



SPECTROSCOPY → intrinsic energy distribution
→ reddening and metallicity

AGE BETWEEN 5 and 13 millions years
→ not too much concentrated in their birth region,
smaller crowding effects than for O-type stars

Short lifetimes → little chance to have two (non resolved)
stars which spectroscopically would appear as a single
blue supergiants

Blue Supergiants
As standard candles

Kudritzki et al. 2003

Kudritzki et al. 2008ab

Urbaneja et al. 2008

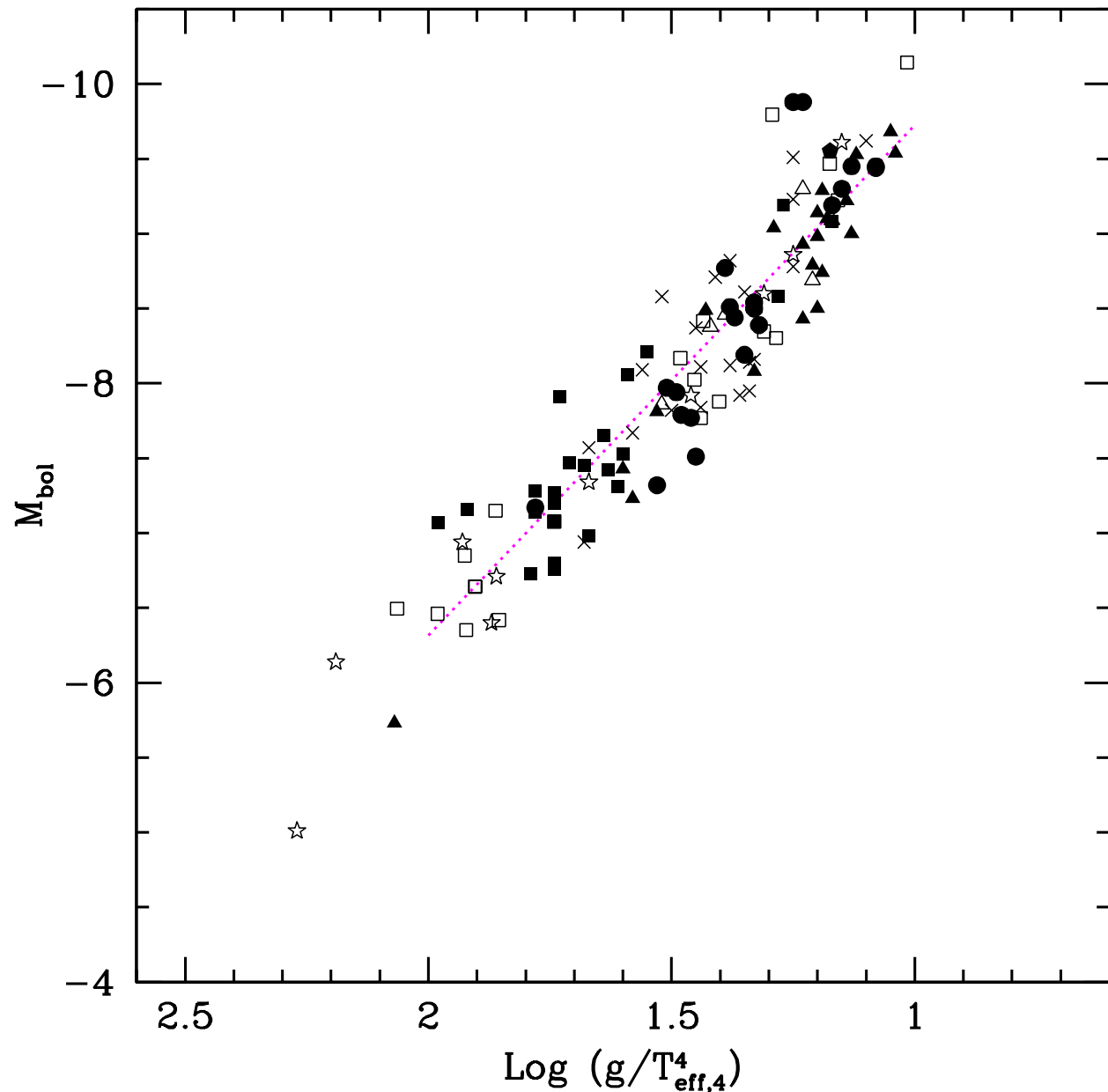
U et al. 2009

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Hosek et al. 2014



WHY DO WE HAVE SUCH A WELL DEFINED RELATION?

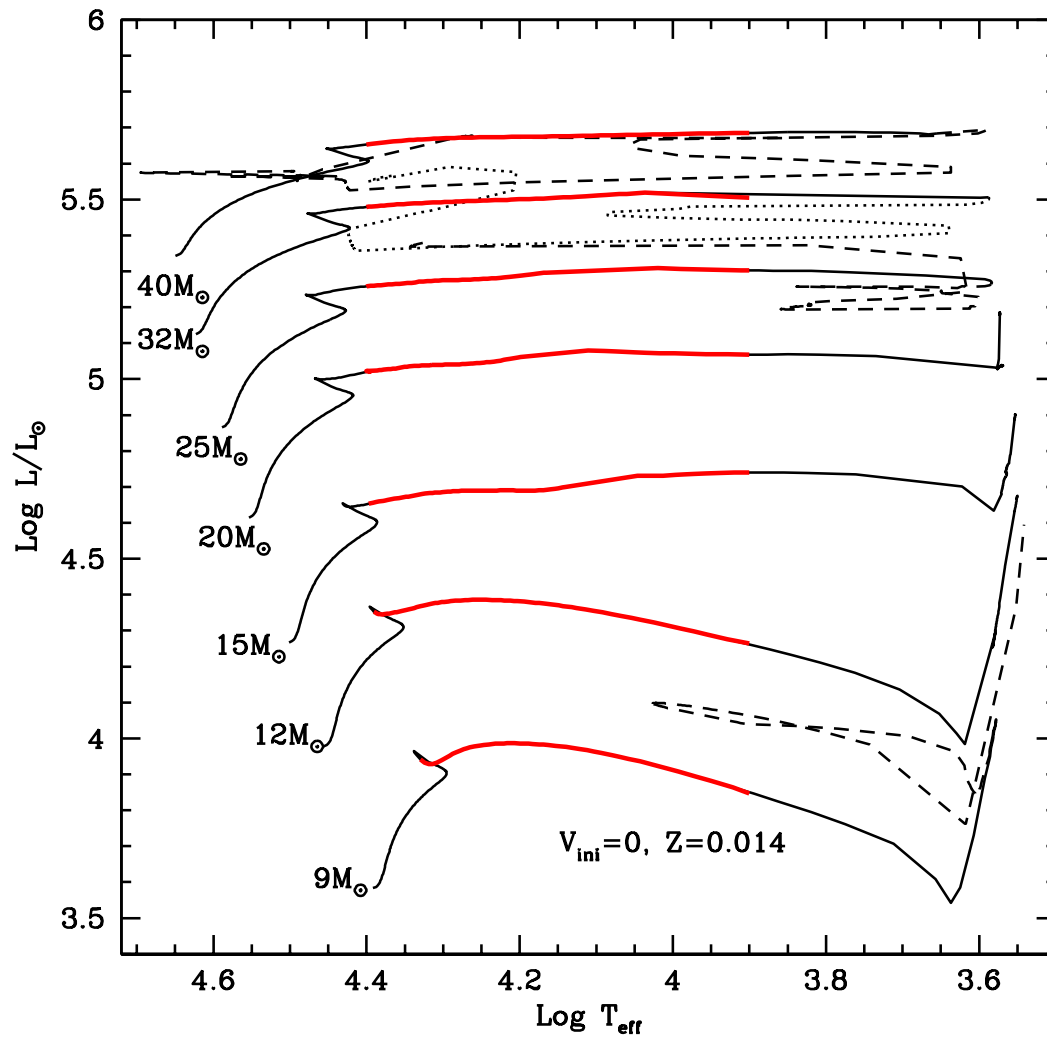
IF THE BLUE SUPERGIANTS FOLLOW A MASS-LUMINOSITY RELATION OF THE TYPE

$$\log L = \alpha * \log M + b$$



$$\begin{aligned} M_{\text{bol}} = & 2.5 \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - 1} \left[\log \frac{g}{T_{\text{eff},4}^4} - 16 \right] \\ & - 2.5 \frac{\alpha}{\alpha - 1} \left[\log(4\pi\sigma G) + \log \frac{M_{\odot}}{L_{\odot}} \right] \\ & + 2.5 \frac{b}{\alpha - 1} + 4.75. \end{aligned}$$

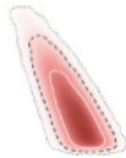
GROUP 1 BSG= BSG HAVING DIRECTLY EVOLVED FROM THE MS



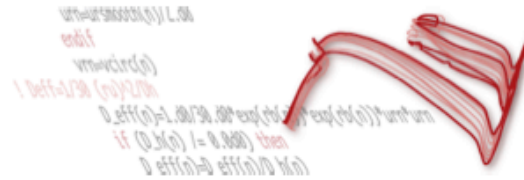
FOR A GIVEN
MASS

$L \sim \text{cst}$

Actual mass $\sim \text{cst}$



STELLAR EVOLUTION



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- Publications

Geneva stellar models: interactive tools

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Welcome to the interactive webpage for the Geneva stellar models

Through this portal, you'll access several tools designed for the Geneva stellar models provided by the SYCLIST code. We propose the following services:

- **Isochrone calculation**

Compute a single isochrone of the desired age, or a sequence of isochrones giving the age range and the time steps.

- **Interpolation of a new model:**

Create a new model by interpolating between existing tracks. Choose the mass, rotation rate and metallicity and obtain the corresponding model track.

- **Request the computation of a synthetic cluster:**

fill the form for the cluster's settings and the data will be emailed to you soon.

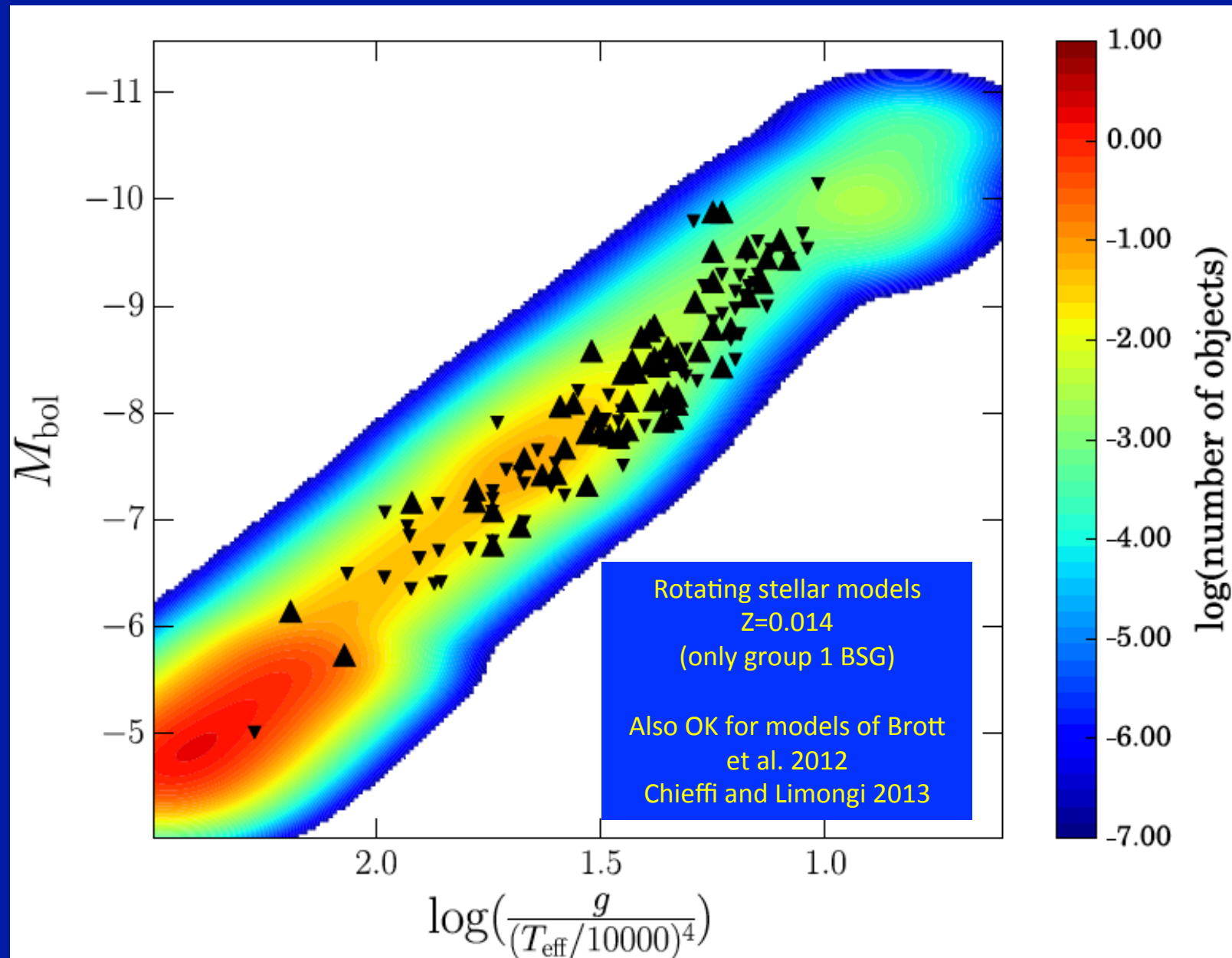
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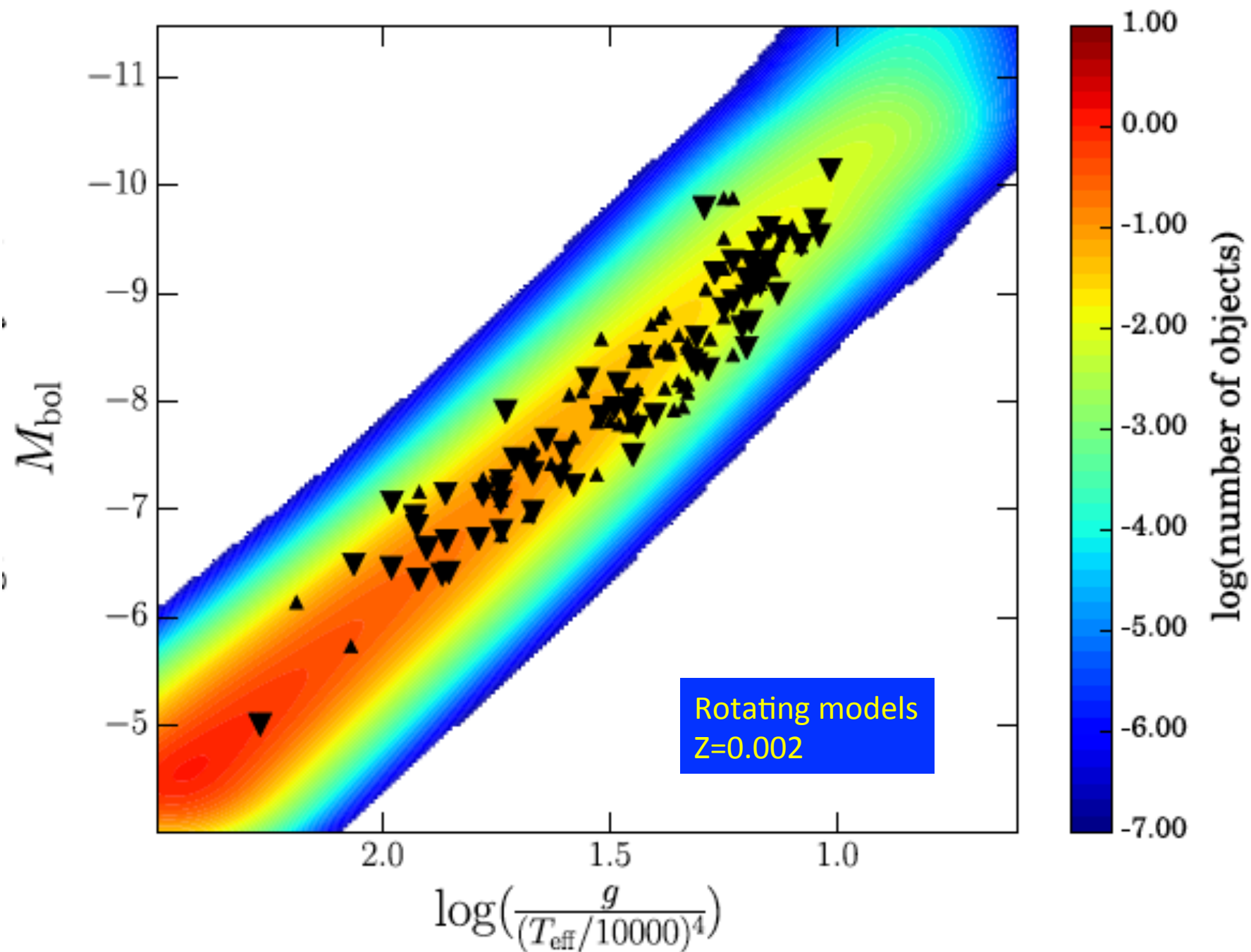
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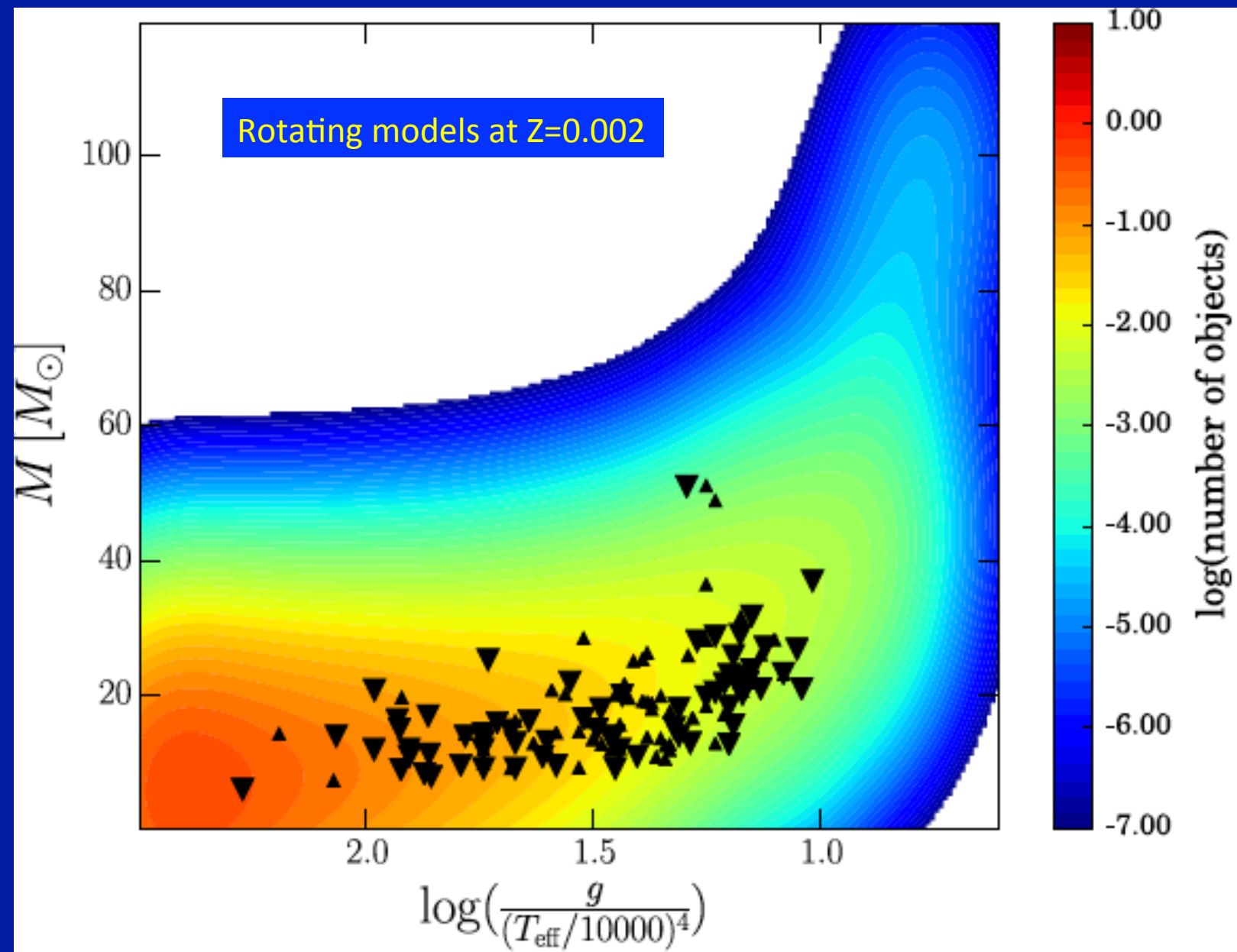


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USING SYCLIST → PROBABILITY DENSITY (cst SFR)









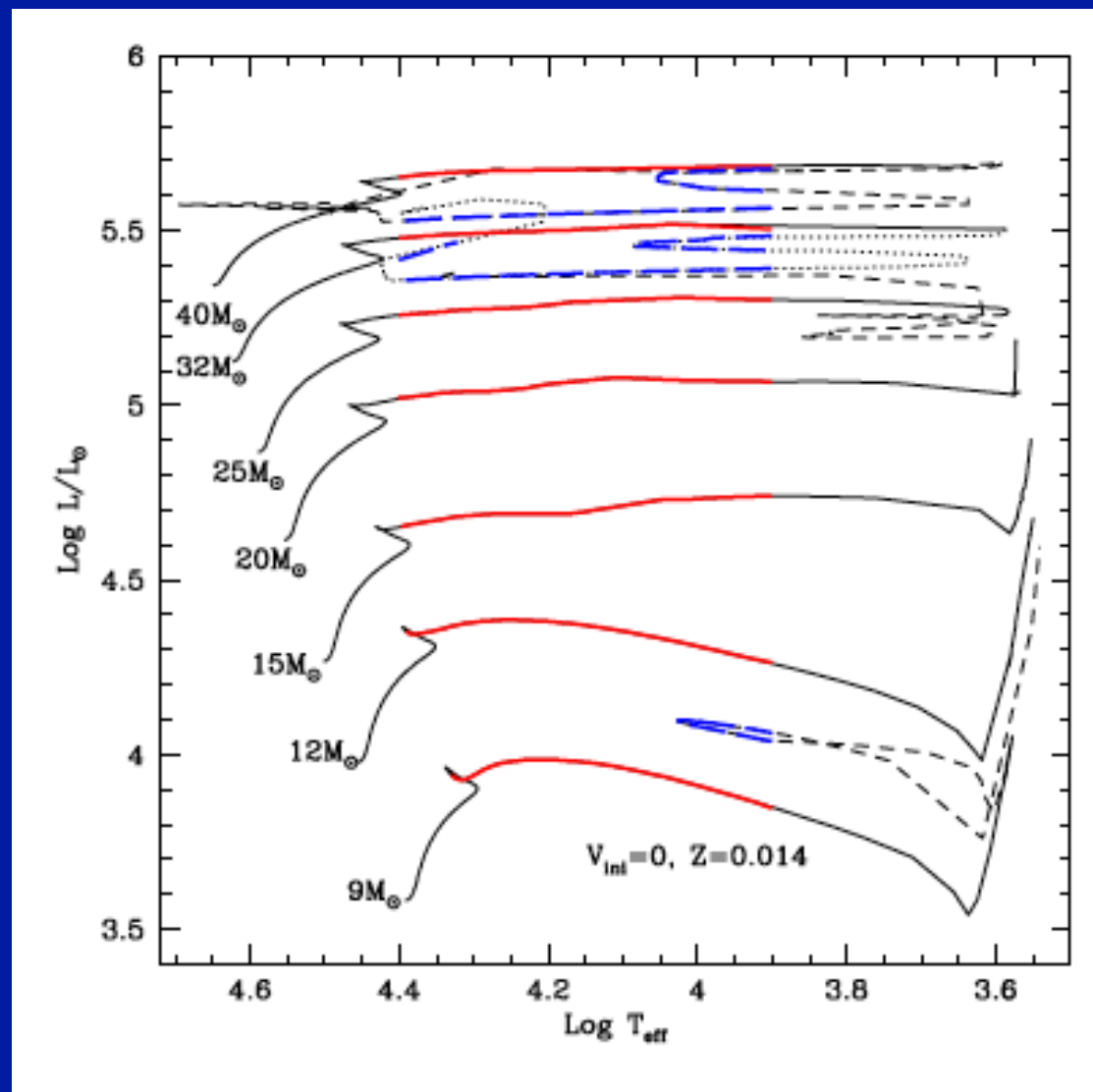
THUS→ GOOD AGREEMENTS

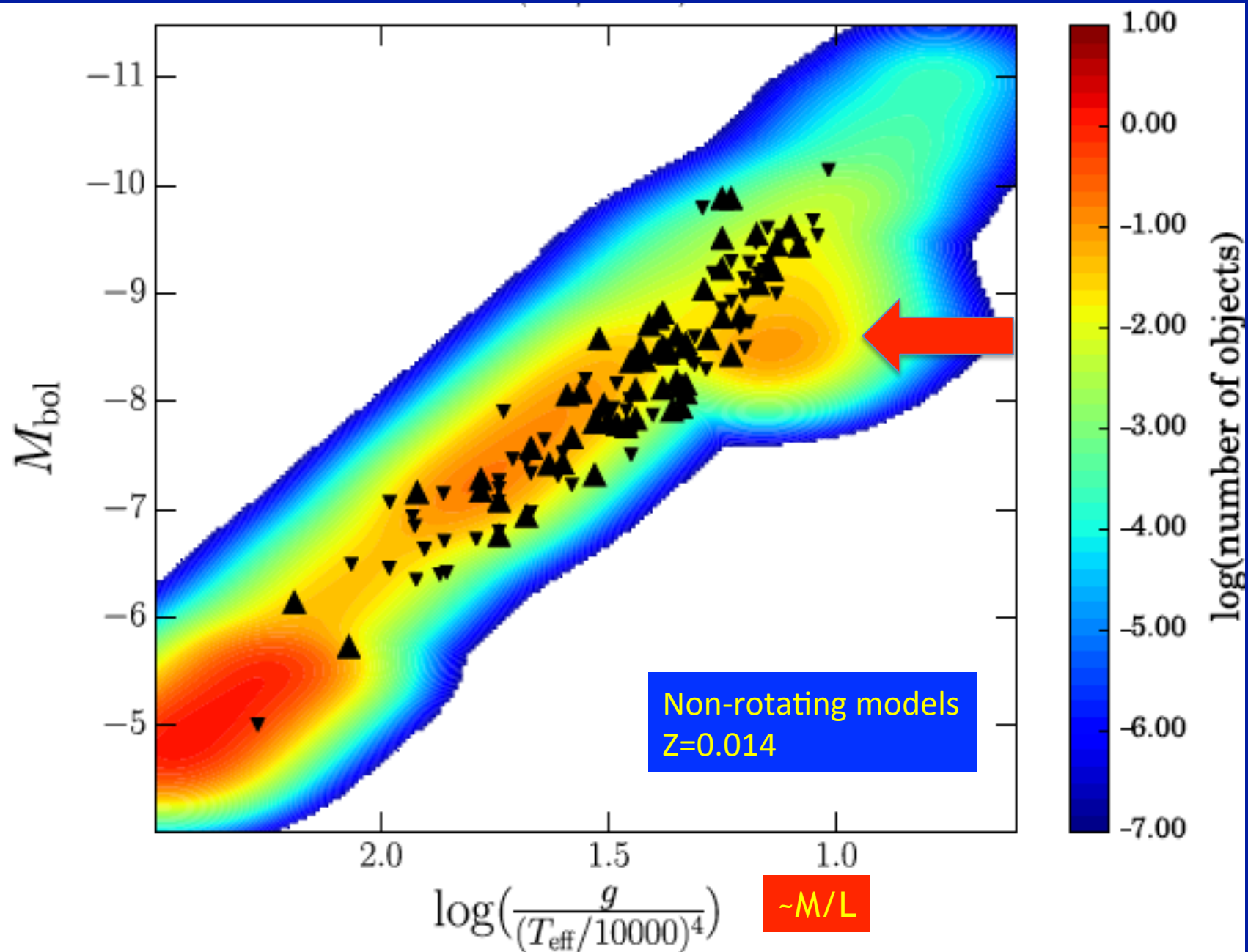
BUT HERE ONLY GROUP 1 BSG

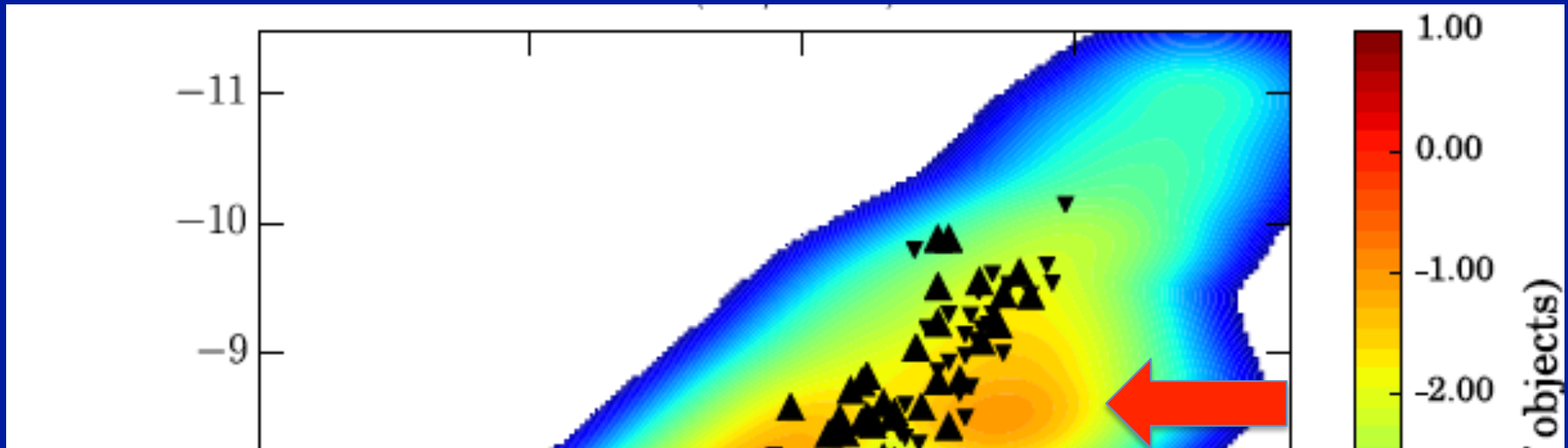
WHAT DOES HAPPEN WHEN
POST RSG BSG APPEAR?

GROUP 2 BSG= POST RED SUPERGIANT BSG

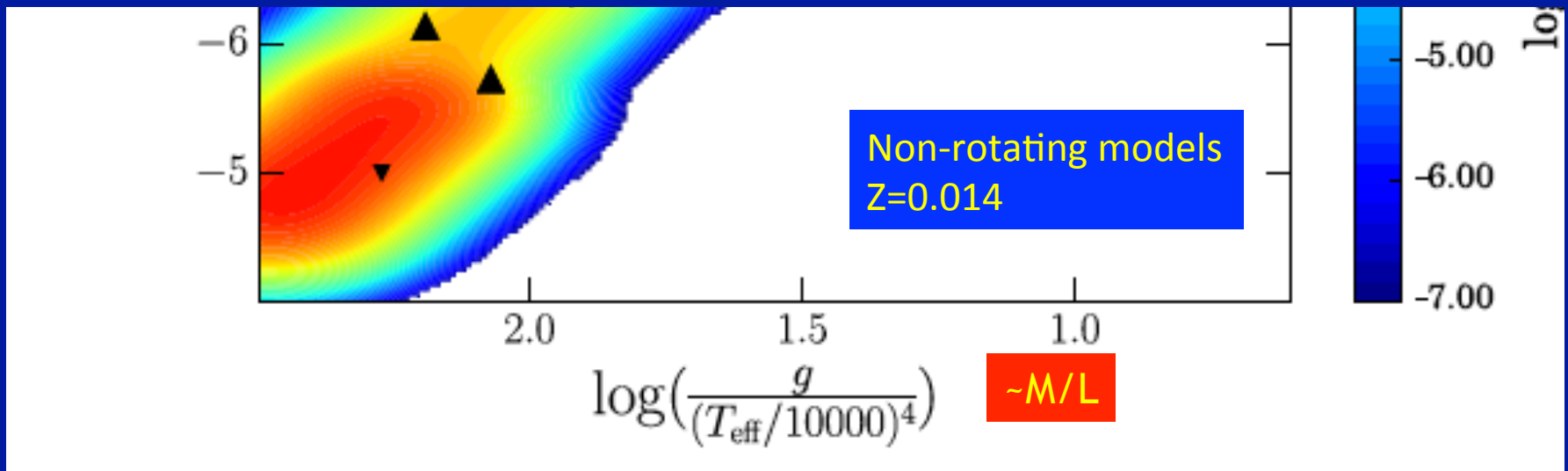
WHERE WOULD BE THESE STARS IN THE FWGL?





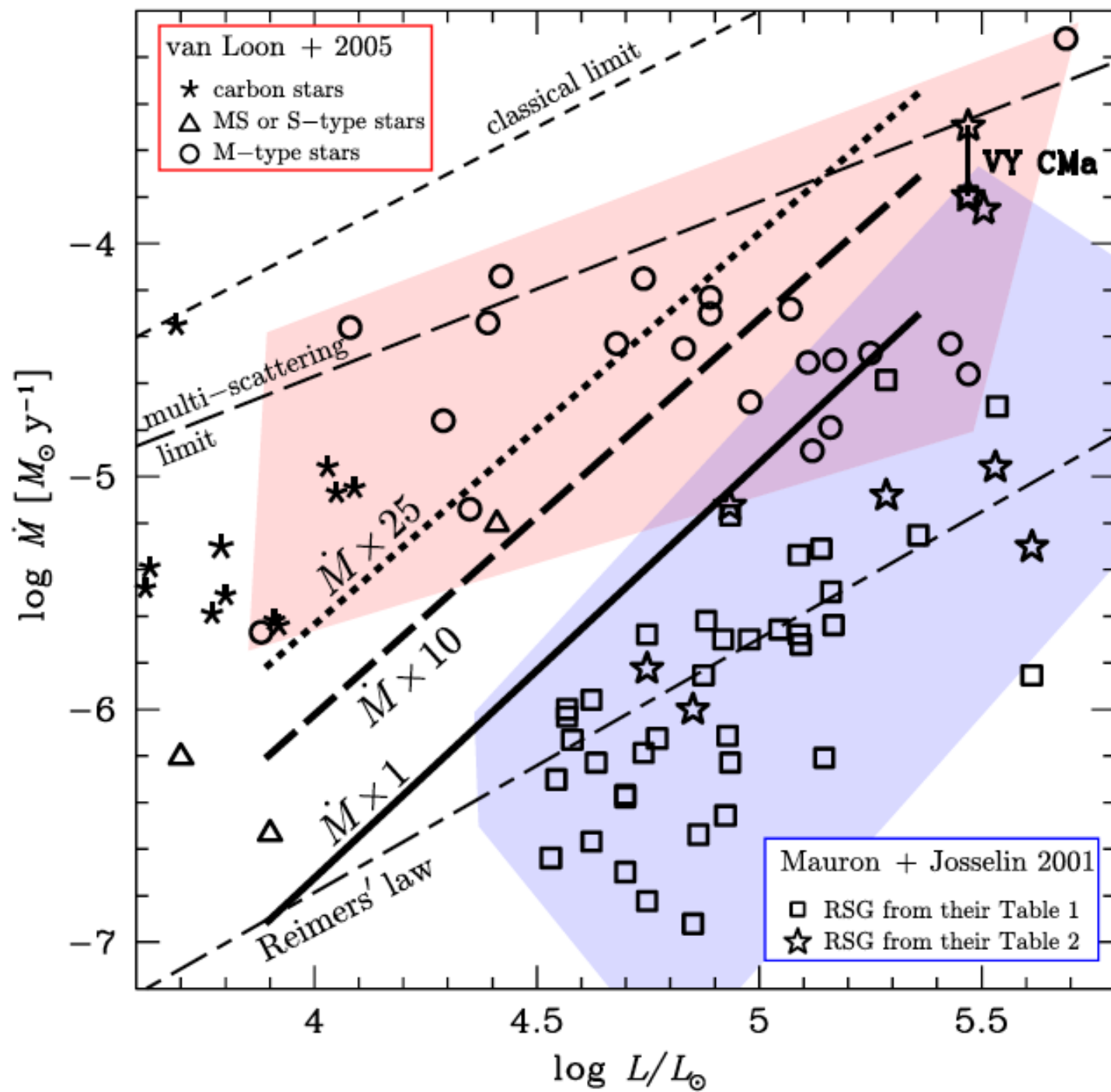


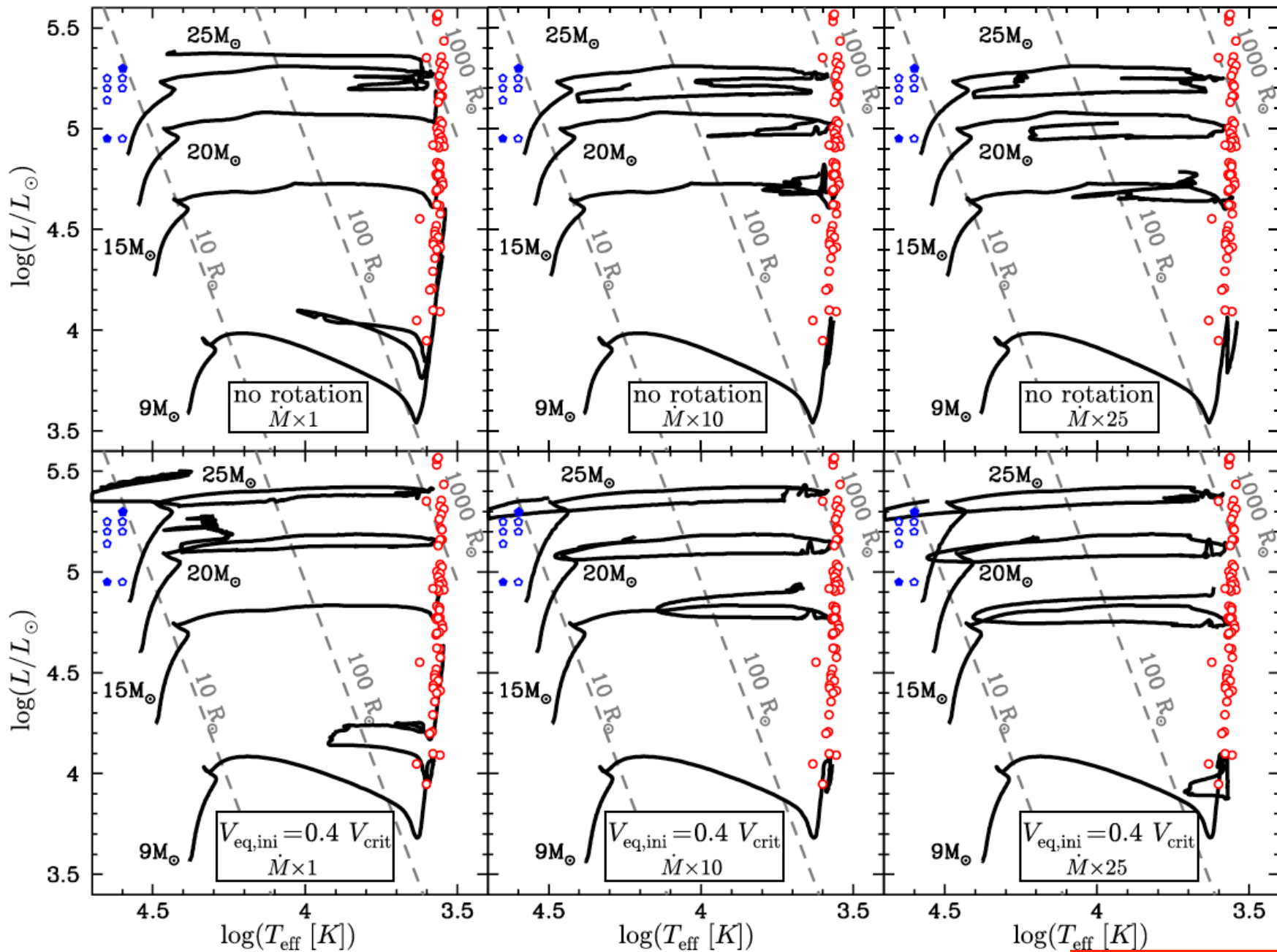
BEST MATCH BETWEEN THEORY AND OBSERVATION IS FOR ROTATING STELLAR MODELS WITH MAINLY GROUP 1 BSG

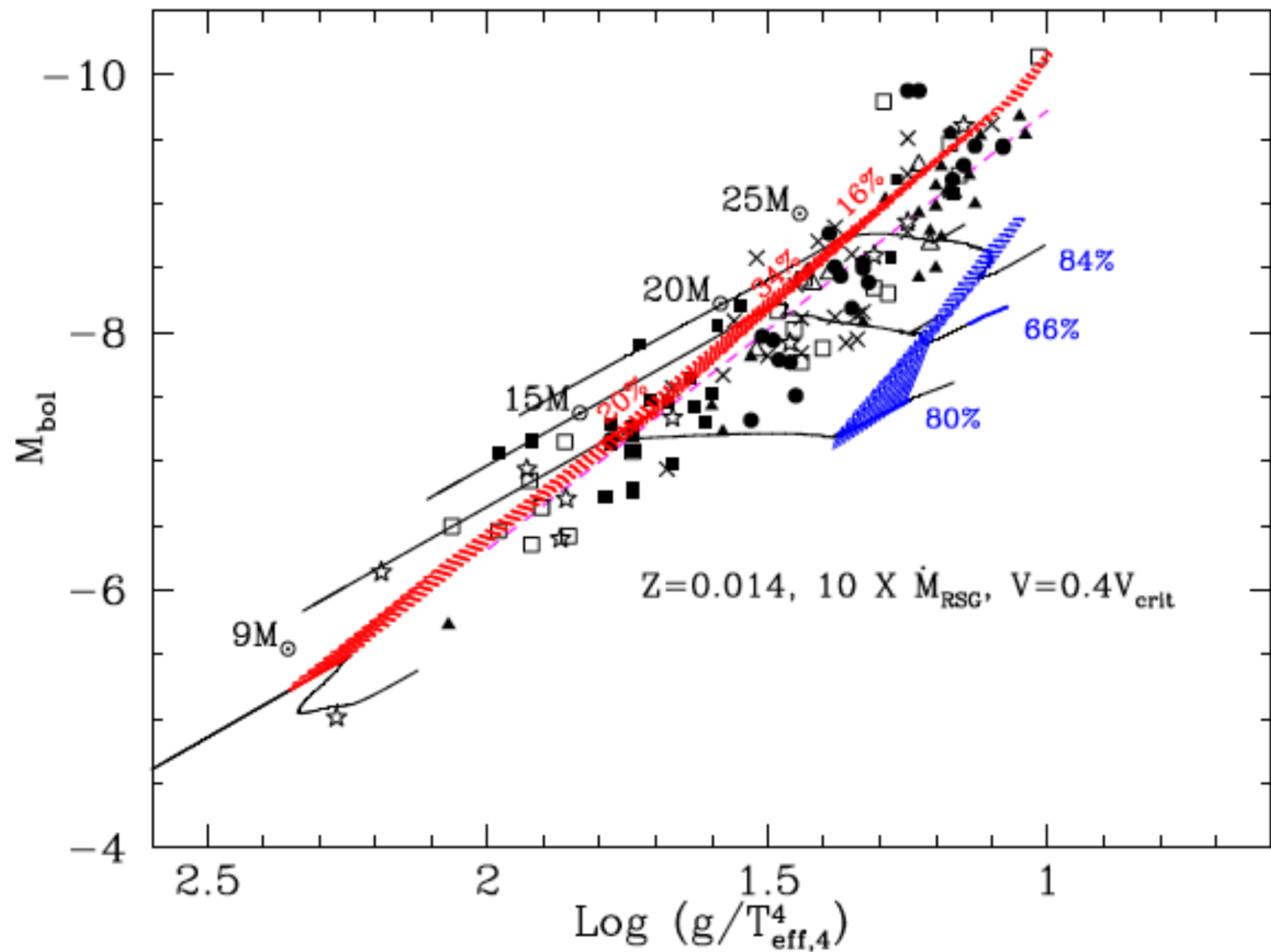


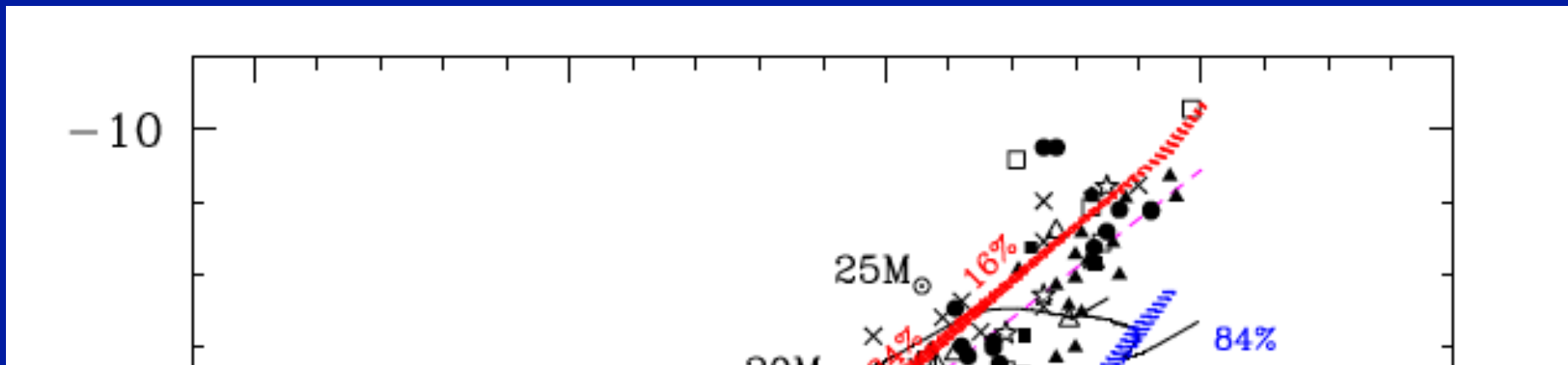


**THE SMALL SCATTER OF
THE FGWL
→
MASS LOSS RATES
DURING THE RSG STAGE**

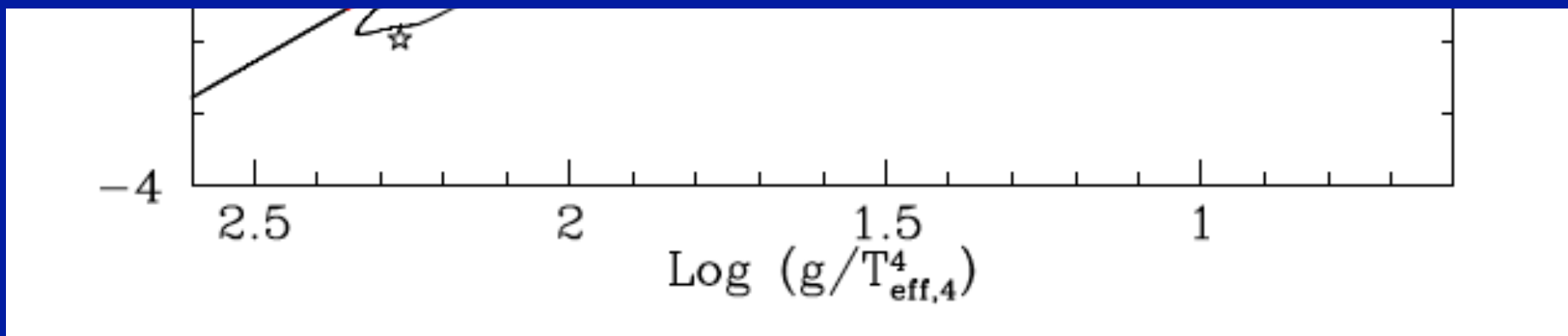






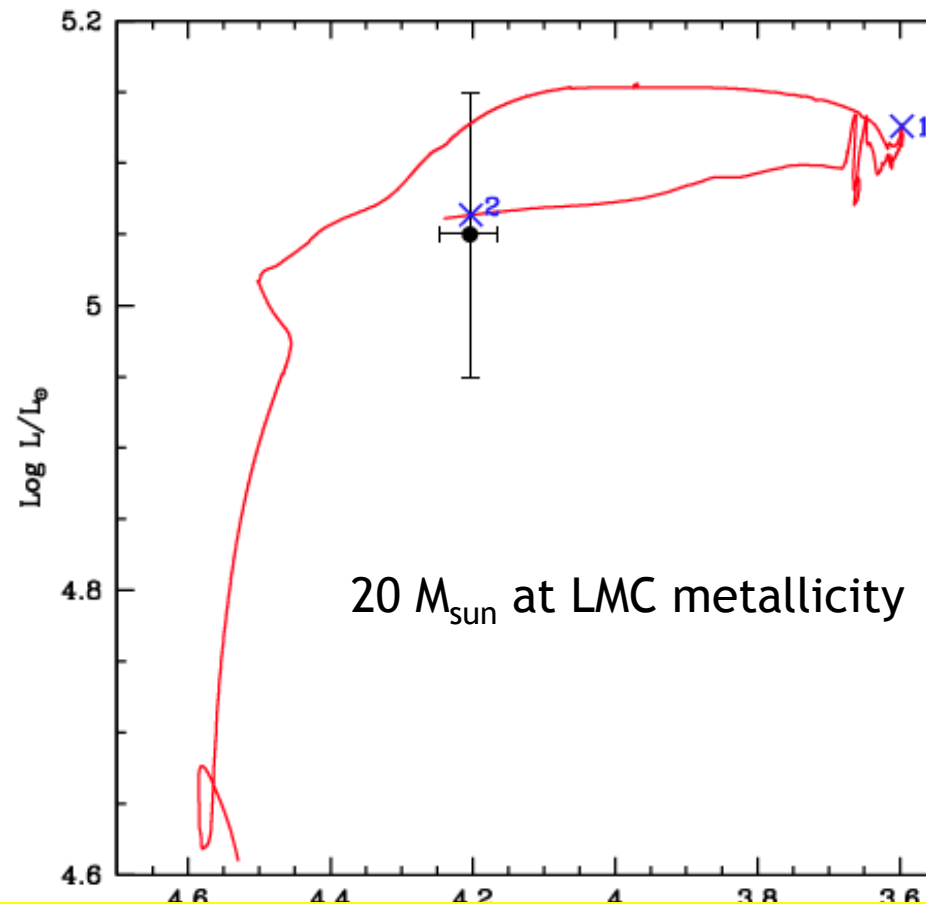


**HIGH MASS LOSS RATES DURING THE
RSG PHASE SEEM
TO BE EXCLUDED AS BEING THE MOST
FREQUENT CASES**



THE CASE OF THE PROGENITOR OF THE SN 1987A

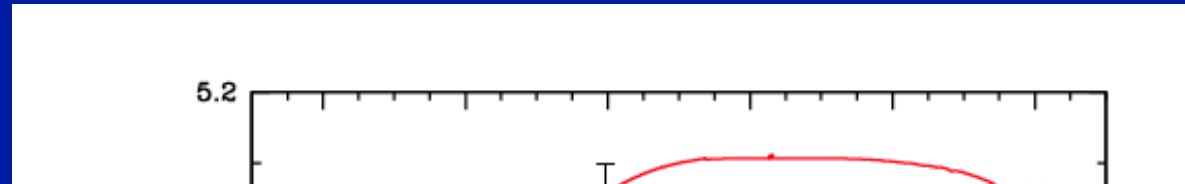
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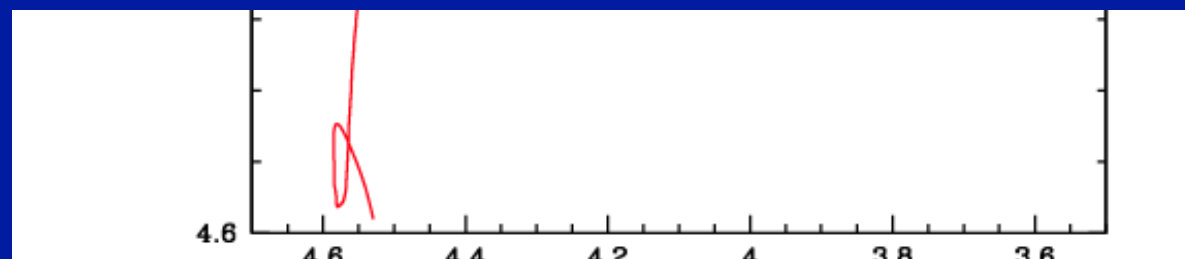
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(RED → BLUE SG MAY BE TRIGGERED BY A RLOF IN A CLOSE BINARY)
AT THE VERY END OF THE RSG PHASE

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**HIGH MASS LOSS RATES TRIGGERED
BY MASS TRANSFER AT THE VERY END
OF THE RSG PHASE
MAY PRODUCE SHORT LIVED BSG**



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ANY STRONG MASS LOSSES SEEMS TO BE
EXCLUDED DUE EITHER TO STELLAR WINDS
OR MASS TRANSFER

→ PRODUCE TOO LARGE SCATTER
OF THE FGWLR

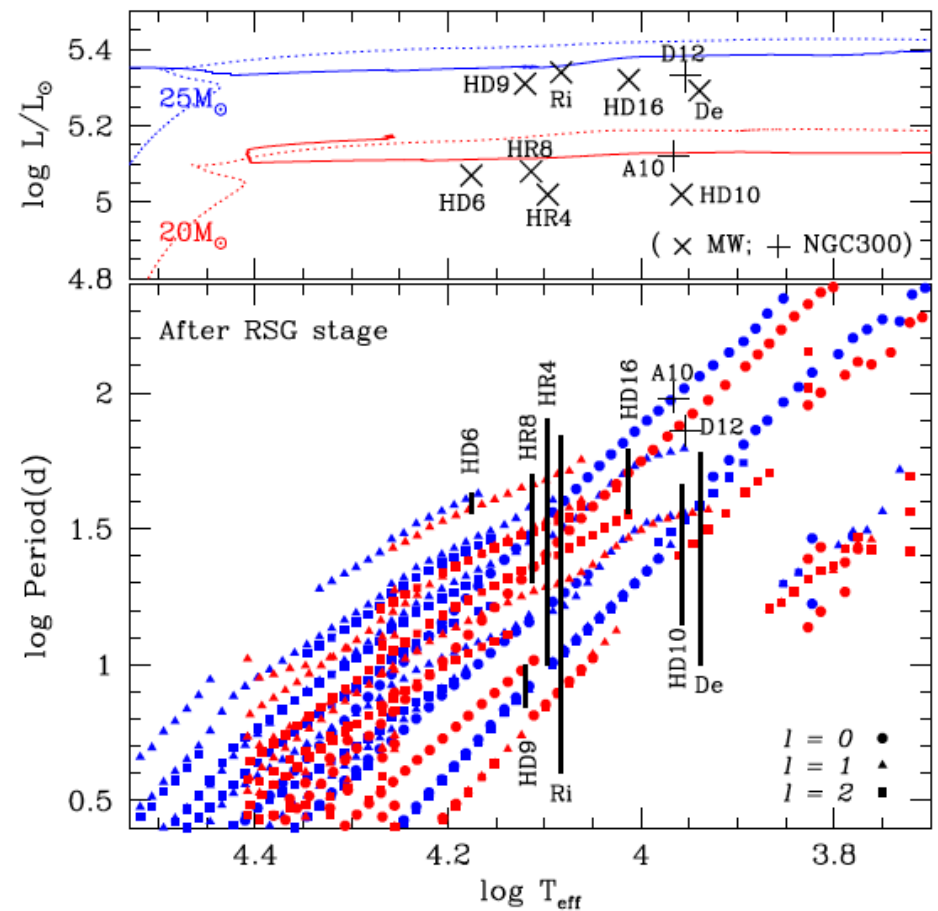
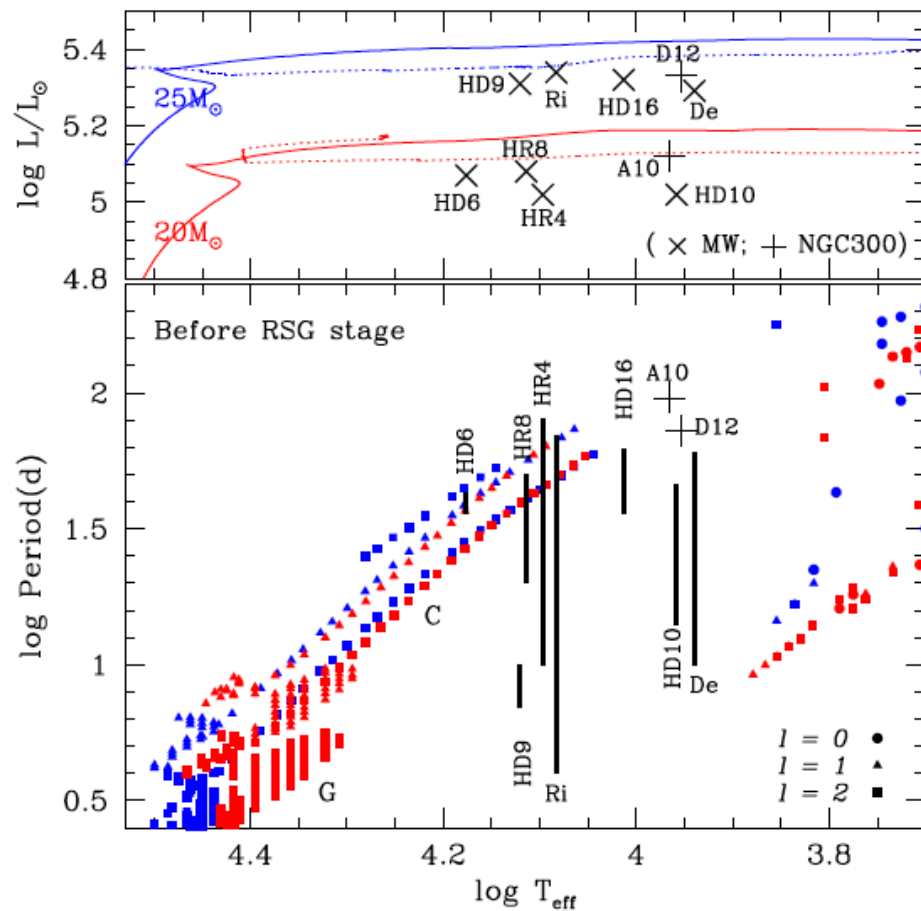
ONE EXCEPTION → VERY STRONG MASS LOSS AT
THE VERY END OF THE EVOLUTION



IS THERE ANY OBSERVATIONAL EVIDENCES
THAT THERE IS A POPULATION OF GROUP 2
BLUE SUPERGIANTS?

Evolution of blue supergiants and α Cygni variables: puzzling CNO surface abundances

Saio et al 2013



IN ADDITION TO PULSATION PROPERTIES
 SURFACE ABUNDANCES
 SURFACE GRAVITIES
 SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH A POST RED SUPERGIANT STAGE

SURFACE ABUNDANCES

Table 2. The surface H abundance and ratios of CNO elements for BSG models at $\log T_{\text{eff}} = 4.0$

M_i	BSG before RGB			BSG after RGB		
	X_H	N/C	N/O	X_H	N/C	N/O
14 (rot)	0.70	2.27	0.517	0.44	38.0	2.41
20 (rot)	0.68	2.46	0.609	0.42	39.7	2.94
25 (rot)	0.64	3.23	0.877	0.35	60.4	4.22

The initial values are $N/C \equiv X_N/X_C = 0.289$ and $N/O \equiv X_N/X_O = 0.115$, where X_i means mass fraction of element i .

Rigel N/C=2.0 N/O=0.46

Deneb N/C=3.4 N/O= 0.65

CNO-PUZZLE !

The puzzle of the CNO abundances of α Cygni variables resolved by the Ledoux criterion

Georgy et al. 2014

Table 1. Surface chemical ratio in the ‘Schwarzschild’ and ‘Ledoux’ models of a rotating $25 M_{\odot}$ when the surface $\log(T_{\text{eff}}) = 4.0$ during the second crossing of the HRD, as well as the observed values for Rigel and Deneb (Przybilla et al. 2010).

Model/star	N/C	N/O	X_{He}
‘Schwarzschild’ (model)	57.86	4.17	0.635
‘Ledoux’ (model)	6.97	1.61	0.458
Rigel (observation)	2.0	0.46	0.32
Deneb (observation)	3.4	0.65	0.37

A 3D visualization of a curved grid representing spacetime curvature. The grid is composed of black lines forming a mesh that curves and warps. The background is a gradient of colors, including blue, purple, and red. A small blue point is visible in the center of the grid, and a red band is visible near the bottom center.

LEDOUX CRITERION FOR CONVECTION FAVORED.

BUT IS IT COMPATIBLE WITH THE SMALL SCATTER
OF THE FGLR?

CONCLUSIONS

PRESENT ROTATING MODELS LIKELY STILL
MISS SOME EFFICIENT TRANSPORT MECHANISM
FOR THE ANGULAR MOMENTUM

AN INTERESTING GLOBAL CONSTRAINT ON STELLAR MODELS
→ THE SMALL OBSERVED SCATTER OF THE FGLR

SMALL SCATTER WELL REPRODUCED BY ROTATING MODELS
WITH NO OR ONLY VERY FEW GROUP 2 BSG

CONTINUOUS HIGH MASS LOSS RATES DURING
THE RSG PHASE IS NOT THE RULE

HOWEVER GROUP 2 BSG SEEMS TO EXIST → WOULD
CORRESPOND TO ALPHA CYGNI VARIABLES.
HOW TO EXPLAIN THE PROPERTIES OF THESE STARS REMAINS
TO BE INVESTIGATED