

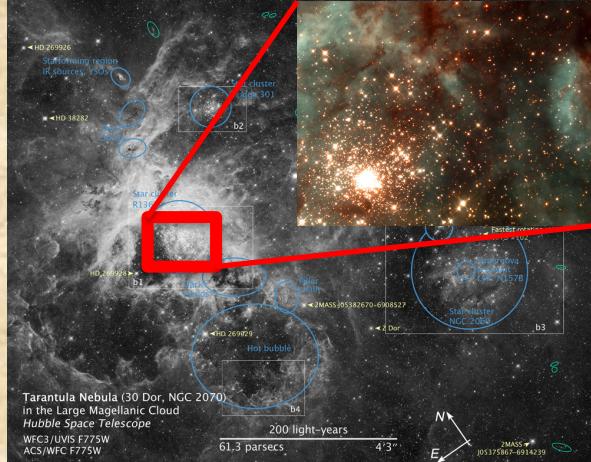
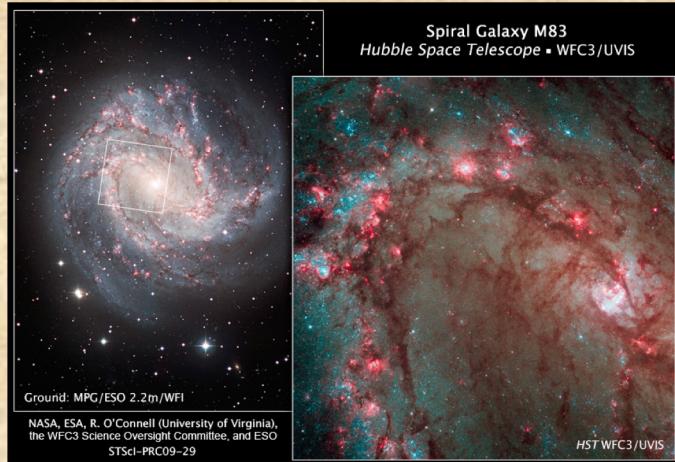
*Star formation
regulation: from clouds
to the cosmos*

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Multi-scale self-regulated SF

- Large-scale SF regulation by feedback
 - GMCs and SFRs
 - Galactic winds



The ISM, SF, and feedback

- ISM dissipation and losses are rapid, so large-scale self-consistent ISM state/SF regulation theory must account for *source terms*
- Energy source terms are mainly from *young massive stars*
⇒ *self-regulated, feedback-modulated, quasi-equilibrium on large scales*
⇒ *extreme time-dependent cycling on small scales*

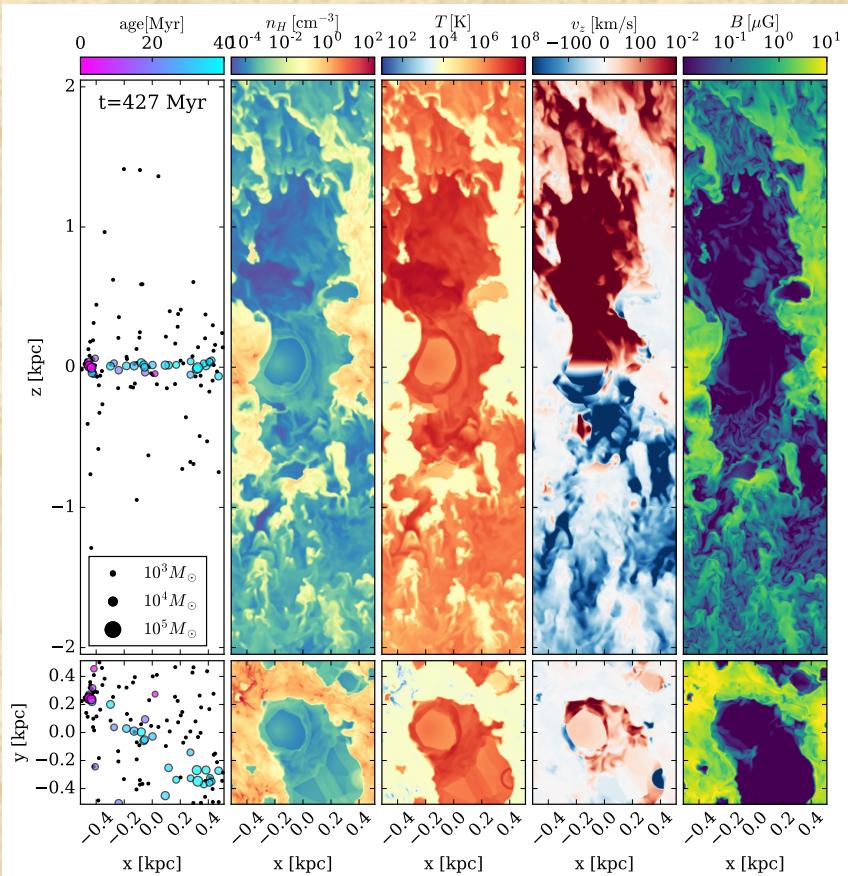
Self-regulation concept

When some gas in a system collapses

- new short-lived, high-mass stars are born
- these stars inject energy, momentum to their surroundings
- transforms state of ISM (phase changes), accelerates motions on a range of scales
- may limit further collapse and may remove “fuel” from system

Star formation now regulates future star formation

TIGRESS*



C.-G. Kim & Ostriker (2017, 2018)

*Three-phase ISM Resolving Evolution
with Star formation and Supernovae

Physics

- MHD, shearing box, FFT self-gravity
- External potential for old stars + DM
- Sink particles = star clusters
- Cluster particles set time-dependent FUV field, SN rate/location
- Warm-cold ISM heated by PE effect
- Hot ISM created by SN shocks with resolved Sedov phase
- SN in clusters + OB runaways yields realistic space-time correlation of SNe with different ISM phases
 - With local box, high resolution everywhere
 - Tall box to quantify fountain vs. wind
 - Efficiently explore range of galactic environments

Feedback “yields”

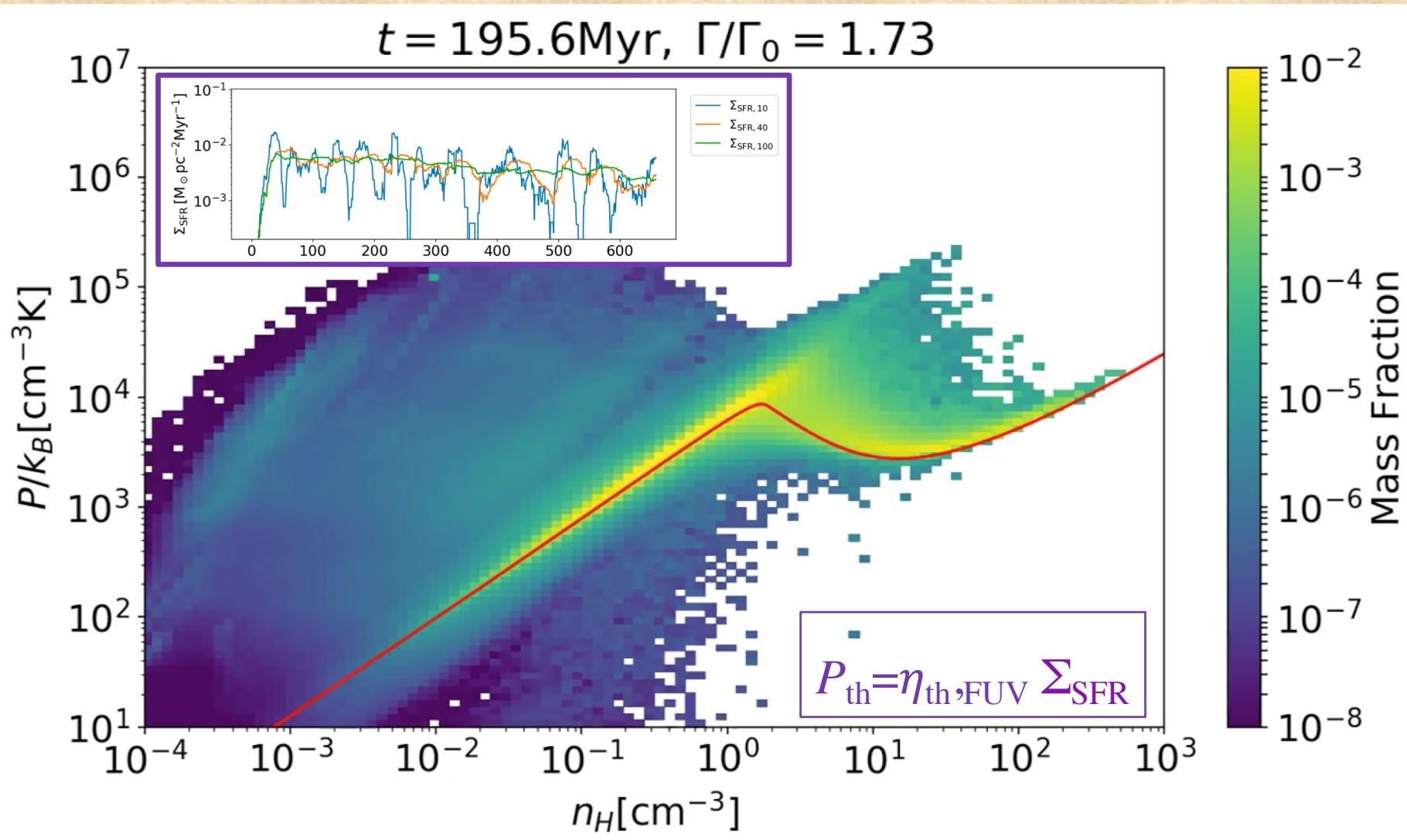
- Sets pressure (P_{th} , P_{turb} , P_{mag} , P_{CR}) in ISM
 - Higher PE heating rate from higher J_{FUV}
⇒ higher P_{th} in WNM and CNM
If both warm and cold gas are present, expect
$$P_{th} \sim P_{\text{two-phase}} \propto J_{FUV} Z_d / Z_g \Rightarrow P_{th} = \eta_{th,FUV} \Sigma_{SFR}$$
 - Higher driving rate from higher SN explosion rate ⇒ higher P_{turb} (*kinetic & magnetic*), P_{CR}
Ostriker & Shetty (2011)



$$P_{turb} \sim F_z = \frac{1}{4} \frac{p_*}{m_*} \Sigma_{SFR}$$

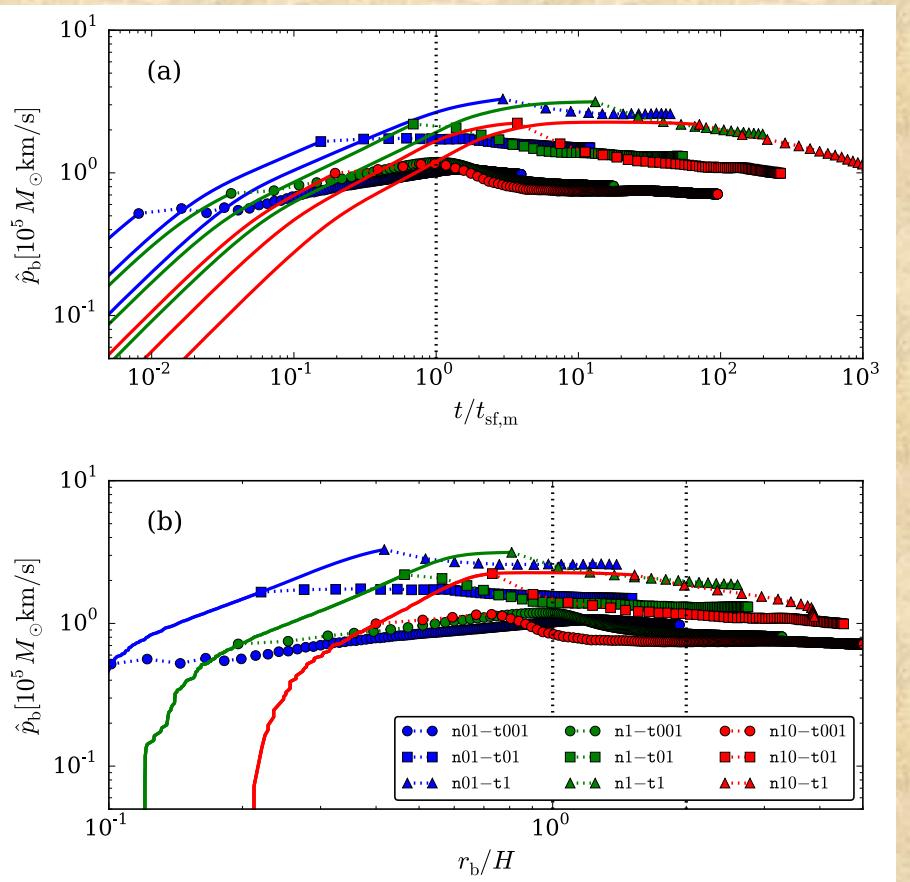
$$\Rightarrow P_{turb} = \eta_{turb,SN} \Sigma_{SFR}$$

Thermal equilibrium



SNR/Superbubble momentum

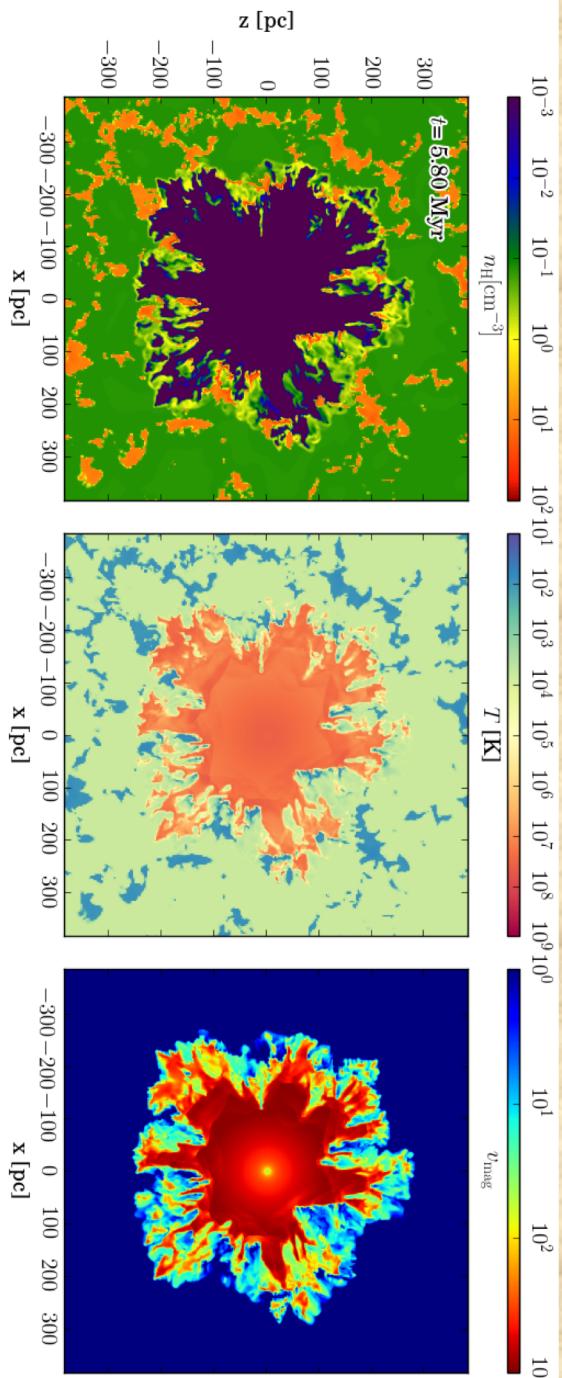
C.-G. Kim, Ostriker, & Raileanu (2017)



- Superbubble has similar momentum/SN to individual SNR: $p_{*,\text{SNR}} = 2.8 \times 10^5 M_\odot \text{km/s} \langle n_0 \rangle^{-0.17}$

*C.-G. Kim & Ostriker (2015), Iffrig & Hennebelle (2015),
Martizzi et al (2015), Walch & Naab (2015)*

Feedback momentum/mass from SNe: $p_*/m_* \sim (1-3) \times 10^3 \text{ km/s}$



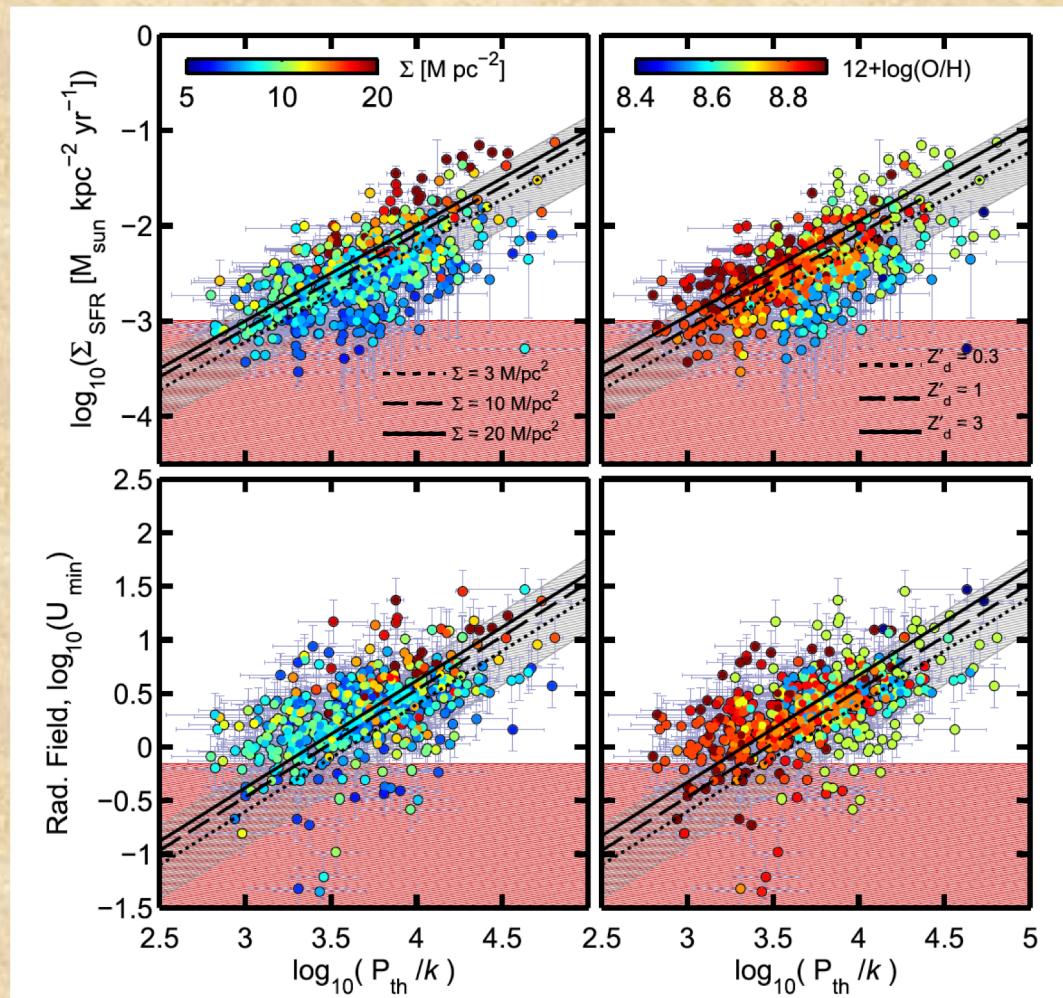
P_{th} vs Σ_{SFR} in observations

- From Herschel/KINGFISH, use [CII] 158 μ emission to obtain thermal pressure of primarily-atomic gas
- Sample of 31 galaxies also in THINGS and HERACLES
- kpc-scale resolution pointings
- Consistent with the prediction

$P_{th} = P_{\text{two-phase}} \propto \Sigma_{SFR}$
from Wolfire et al (2003)

$$\frac{P_{\text{two-phase}}}{k} \simeq 3.5 \times 10^6 \text{ K cm}^{-3} \left(\frac{P_{\max}}{P_{\min}} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\times \frac{\Sigma_{SFR}}{M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{kpc}^{-2}} \times \frac{1}{1 + 3.1 (Z'_d \Sigma_{\text{gas}} / \Sigma_{\text{gas},0})^{0.365}}.$$



Herrera-Camus et al (2017)

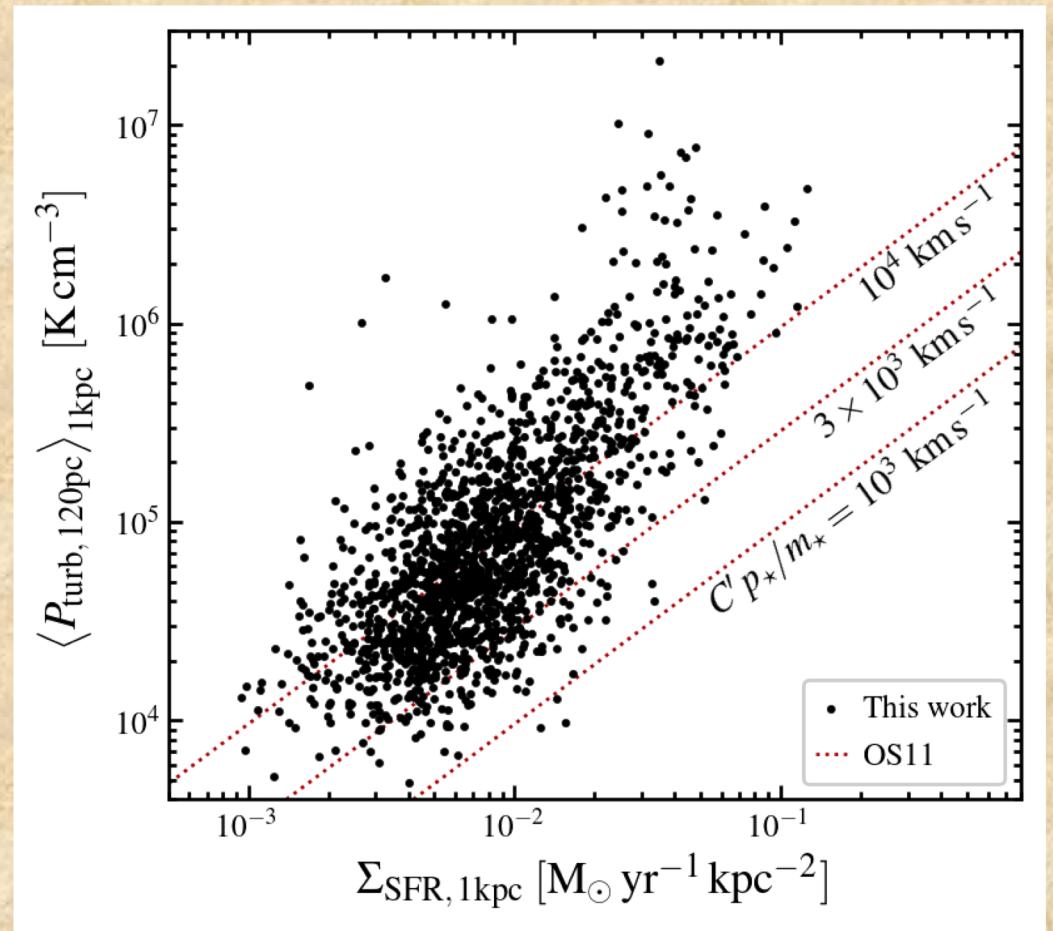
P_{turb} vs Σ_{SFR} in observations

- Prediction from feedback:

$$P_{\text{turb}} \sim F_z = \frac{1}{4} \frac{p_*}{m_*} \Sigma_{SFR}$$

on large scales

- Concentration of SF in clouds increases the momentum input/time/area relative to kpc-scale average



Self-regulated Σ_{SFR} in disk galaxies

- Allowing for *thermal*, *turbulent*, and *magnetic* pressure as driven by star formation feedback:

$$P_{\text{th}} = \eta_{\text{th}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}, P_{\text{turb}} = \eta_{\text{turb}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}, P_{\text{mag}} = \eta_{\text{mag}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$$

$$P_{\text{tot}} = (\eta_{\text{th}} + \eta_{\text{turb}} + \eta_{\text{mag}}) \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} = \eta_{\text{tot}} \Sigma_{\text{SFR}}$$

- Vertical force balance: $P_{\text{tot}} \approx \mathcal{W} = \int \rho g_z dz = \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \langle g_z \rangle / 2 \equiv P_{\text{DE}}$

$$P_{\text{DE}} = \Sigma_{\text{gas}} \frac{\langle g_z \rangle}{2} \approx \frac{\pi G \Sigma_{\text{gas}}^2}{2} + \Sigma_{\text{gas}} (2G\rho_*)^{1/2} \sigma_{\text{gas},z}$$

- Self-regulated equilibrium star formation rate:

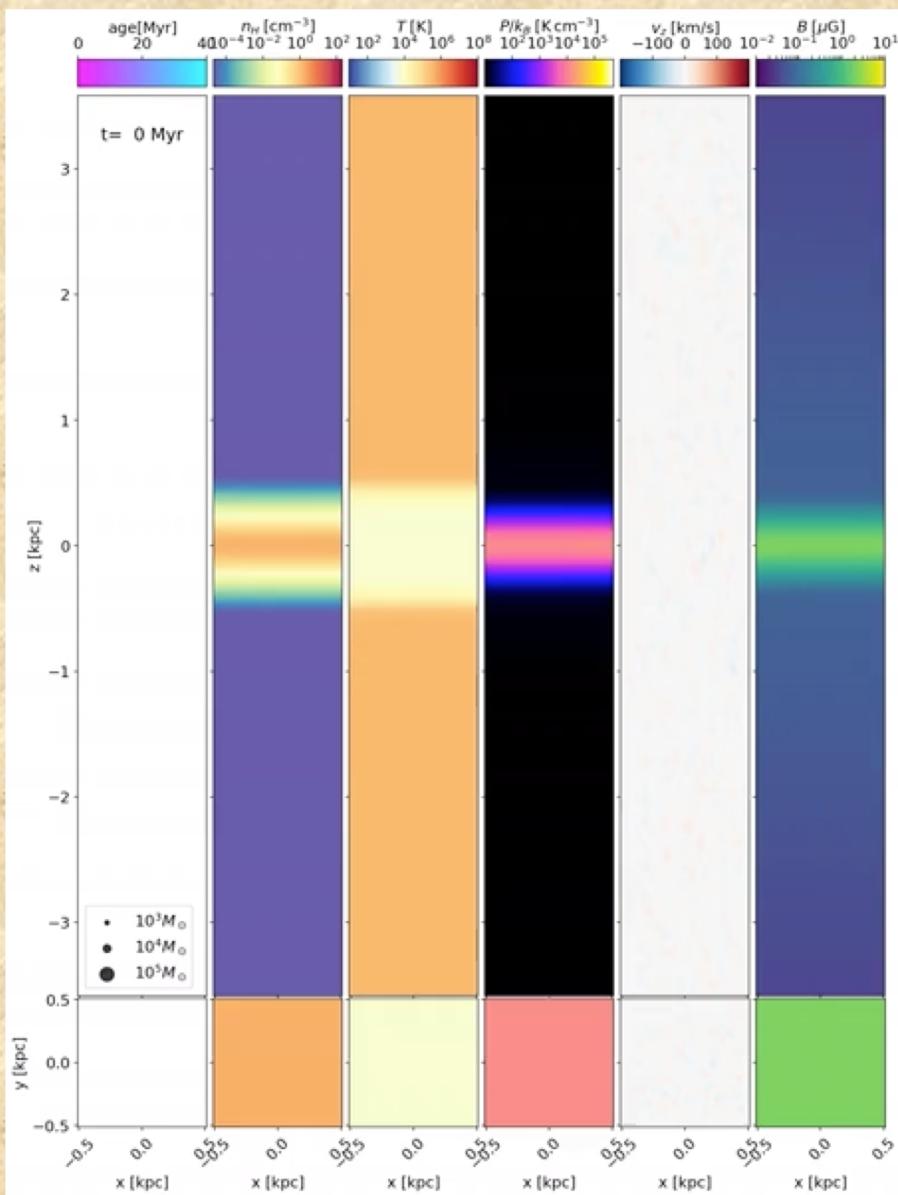
$$\langle \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} \rangle = \langle P_{\text{tot}} \rangle / \eta_{\text{tot}} = P_{\text{DE}} / \eta_{\text{tot}}$$

- Calibrating η values with numerical simulations, result is
 $\eta_{\text{tot}} \sim 1000 \text{ km/s} \Rightarrow$

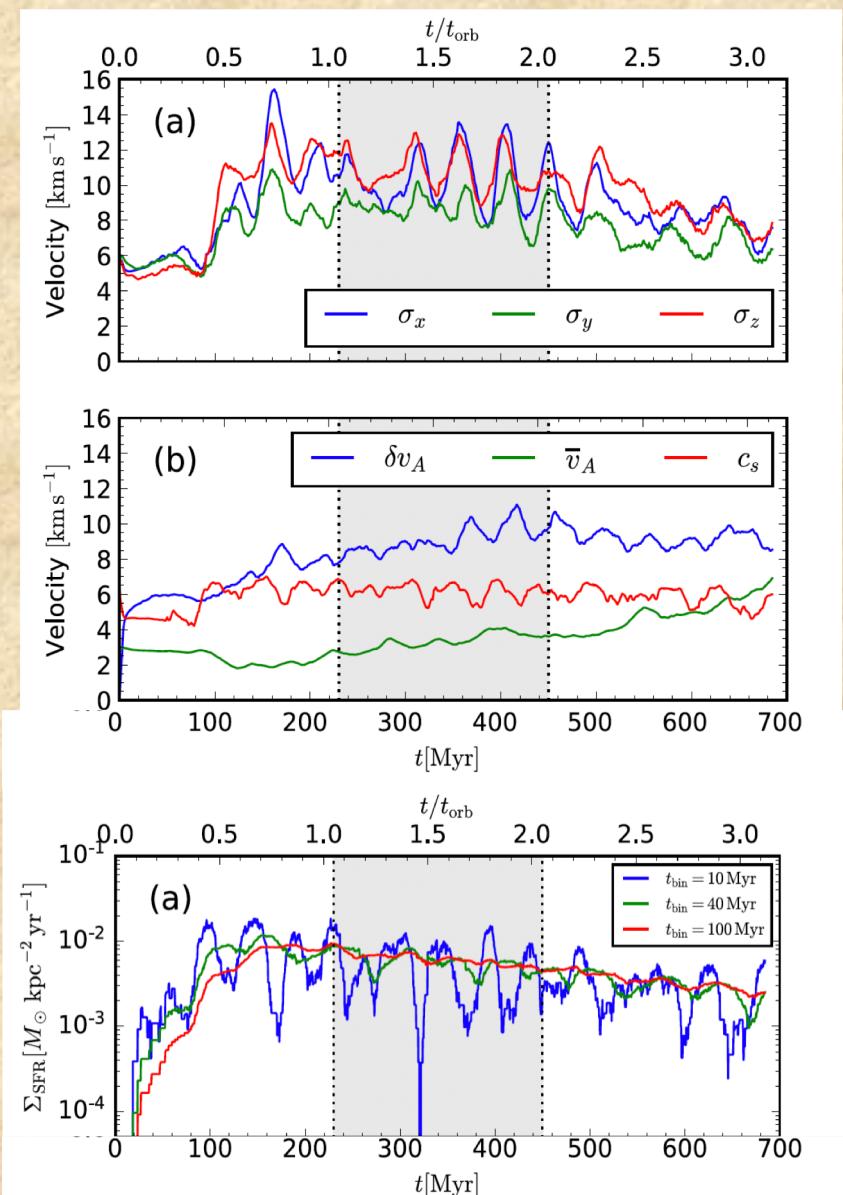
$$\Sigma_{\text{SFR}} = 2 \times 10^{-3} M_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1} \left(\frac{P/k}{10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3} K} \right) = f(\Sigma_{\text{gas}}, g_z)$$

Ostriker, McKee, & Leroy (2010); Ostriker & Shetty (2011); C.-G. Kim, Kim, & Ostriker (2011)
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TIGRESS Evolution

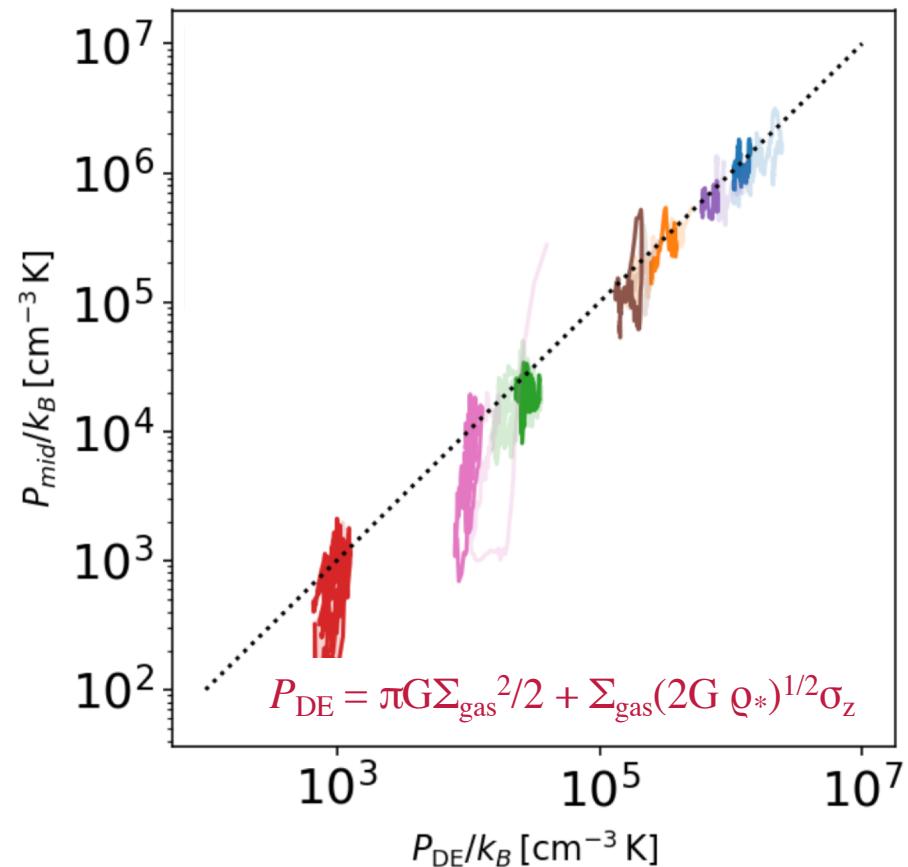
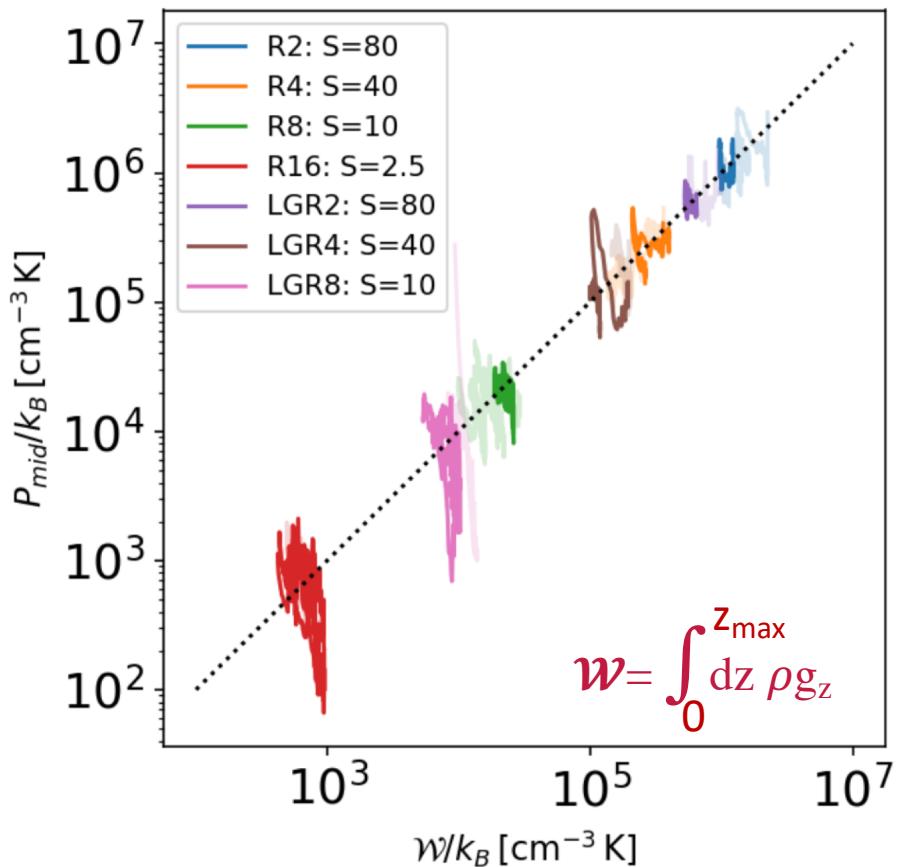


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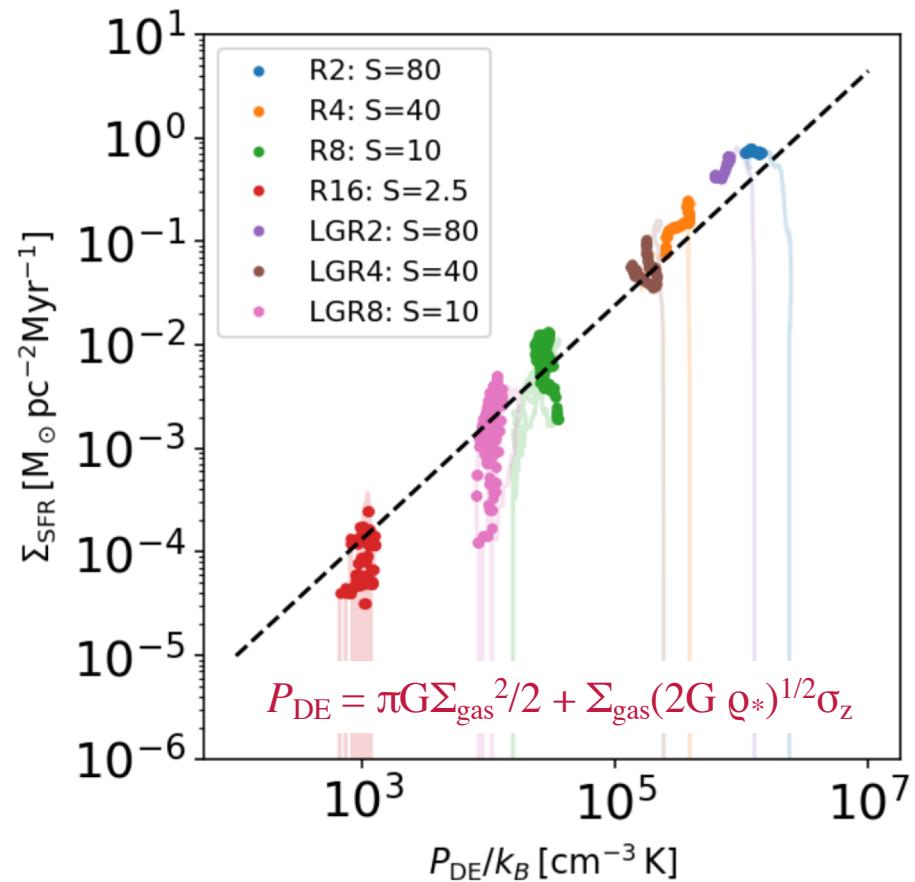
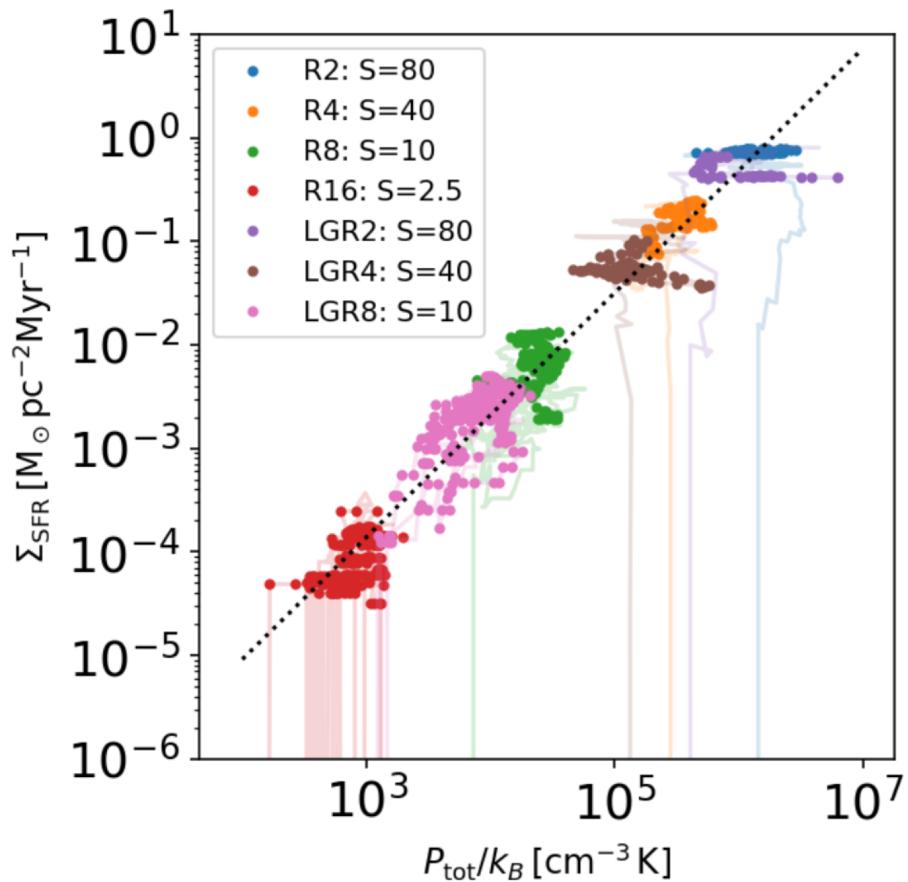
Dynamical equilibrium



*Varying galactic environment with TIGRESS:
the required average equilibrium pressure is maintained*

See also: C.-G. Kim, W.-T. Kim, & Ostriker (2011), C.-G. Kim, Ostriker, W.-T. Kim, (2013) 12

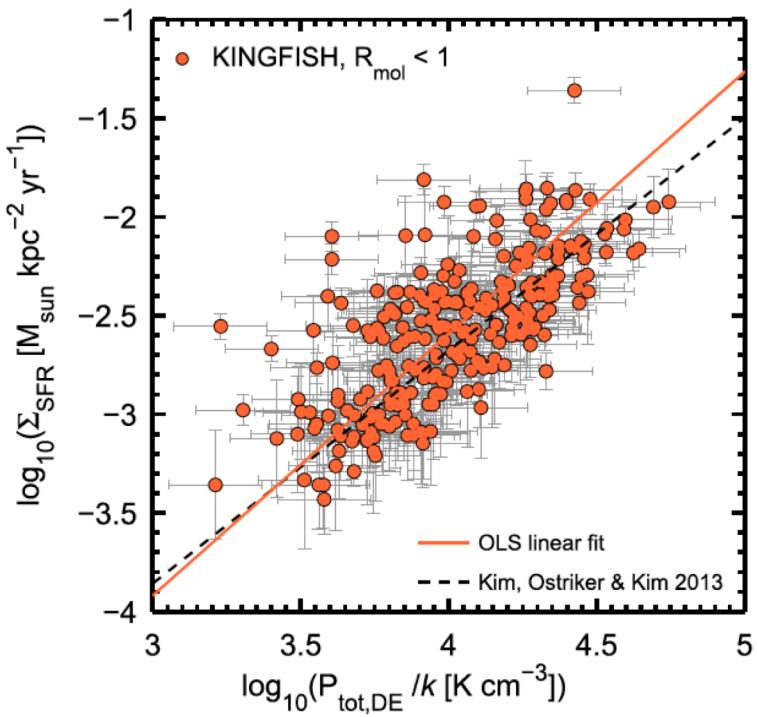
Pressure vs. Σ_{SFR}



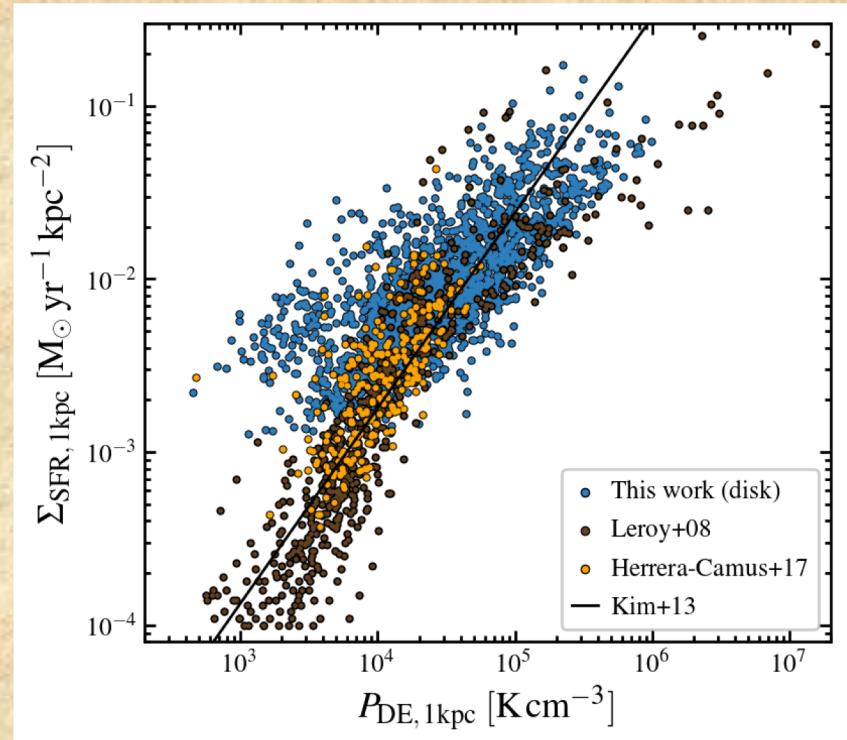
Colors: new TIGRESS simulations; lines from C.-G. Kim, Ostriker & W.-T. Kim (2013)

$$\Sigma_{\text{SFR}} \approx 2 \times 10^{-3} M_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1} \left(\frac{P/k}{10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ K}} \right)$$

P_{DE} vs. Σ_{SFR} in observations



Herrera-Camus et al (2017)

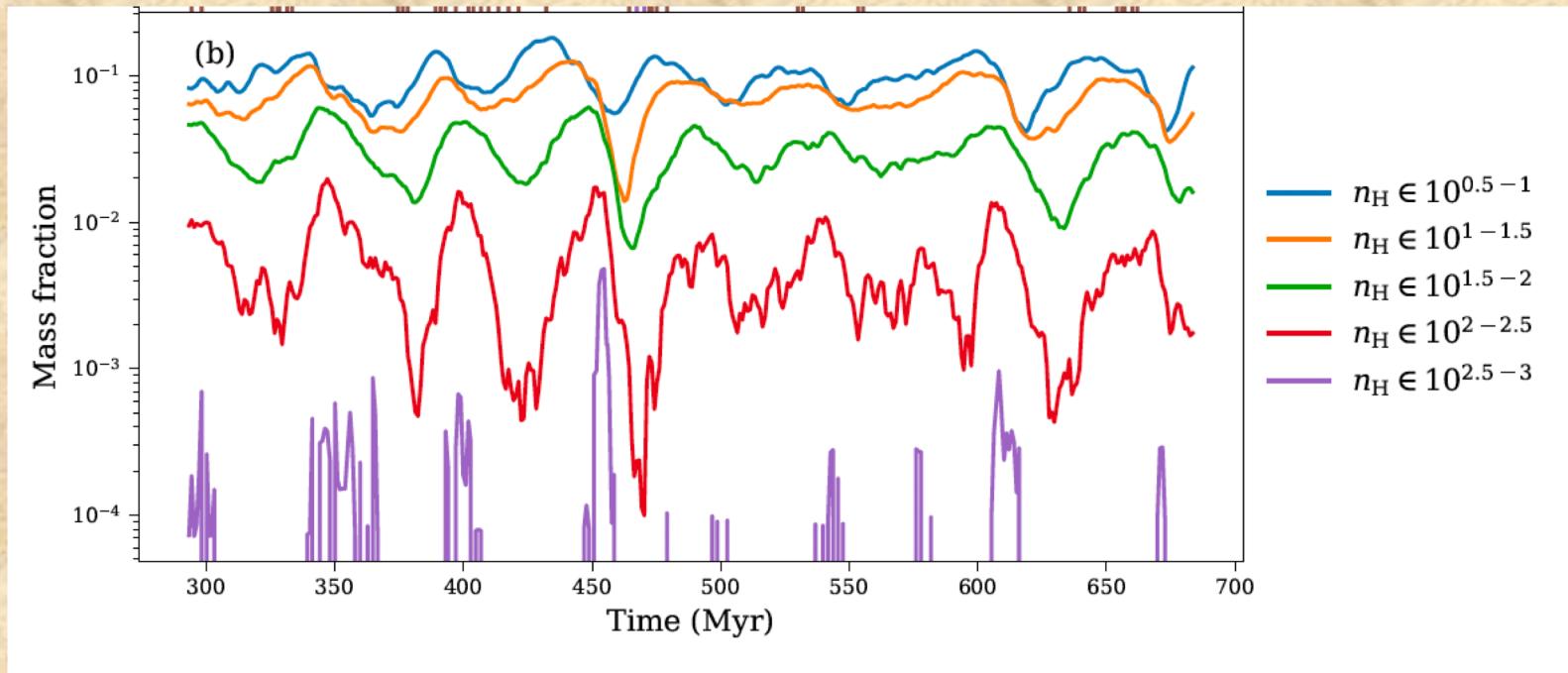


Jiayi Sun + PHANGS (2019 in prep)

$$P_{\text{DE}} = \pi G \Sigma_{\text{gas}}^2 / 2 + \Sigma_{\text{gas}} (2G \rho_*)^{1/2} \sigma_z$$

Connecting to small-scale star formation

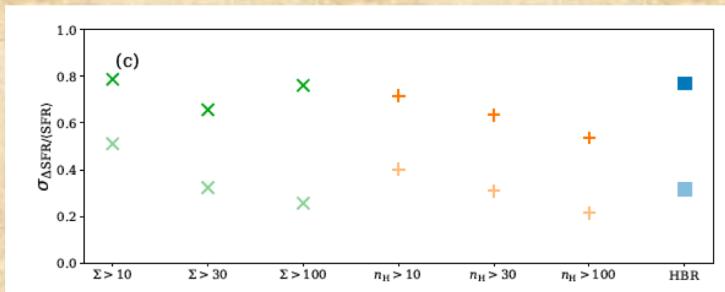
Dense gas evolution



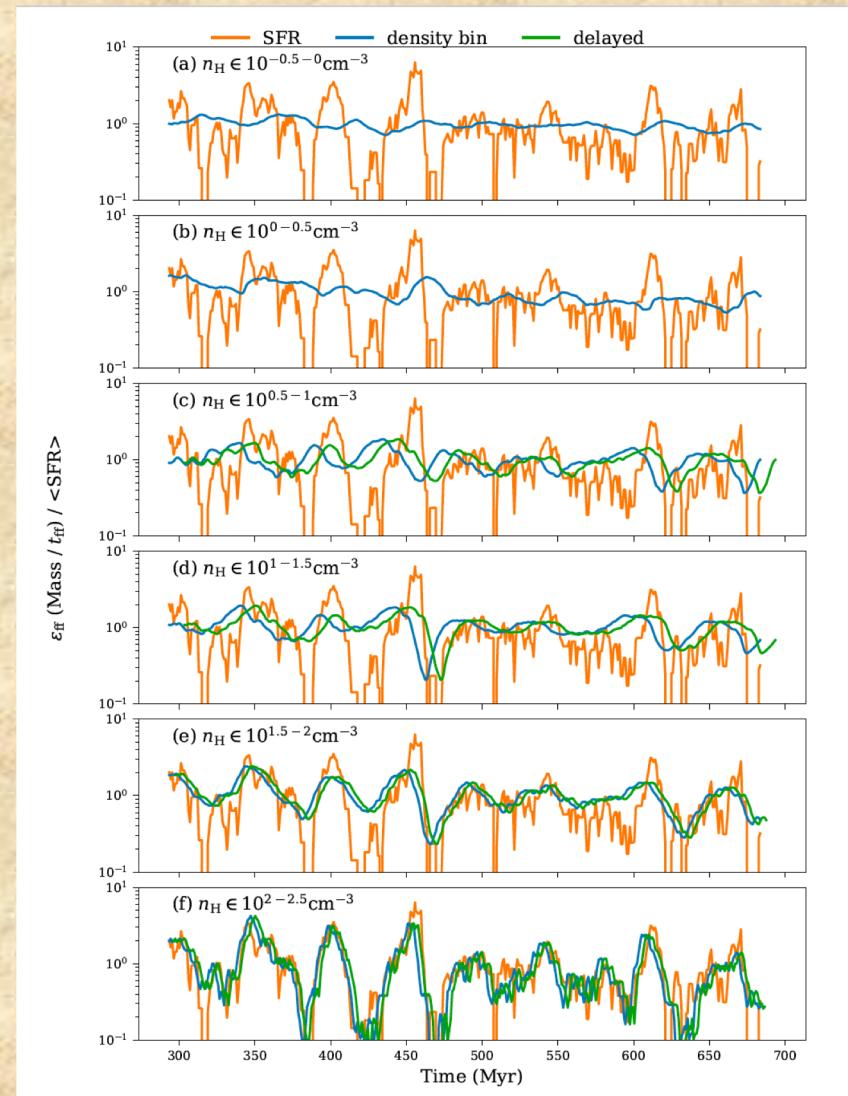
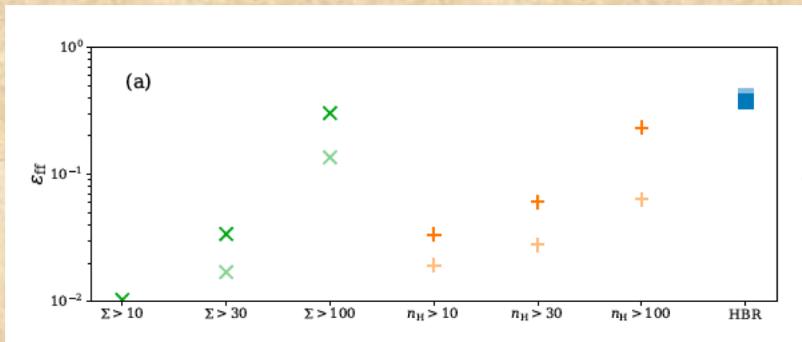
- Temporal phase shift in peaks of mass in different density regimes:
 $t_{\text{shift}} \propto t_{\text{ff}}(\rho)$
- Indication of *hierarchical formation of self-gravitating structure*

Dense gas and SFRs

- Detailed correlation between gas mass and SFR secularly improves with density



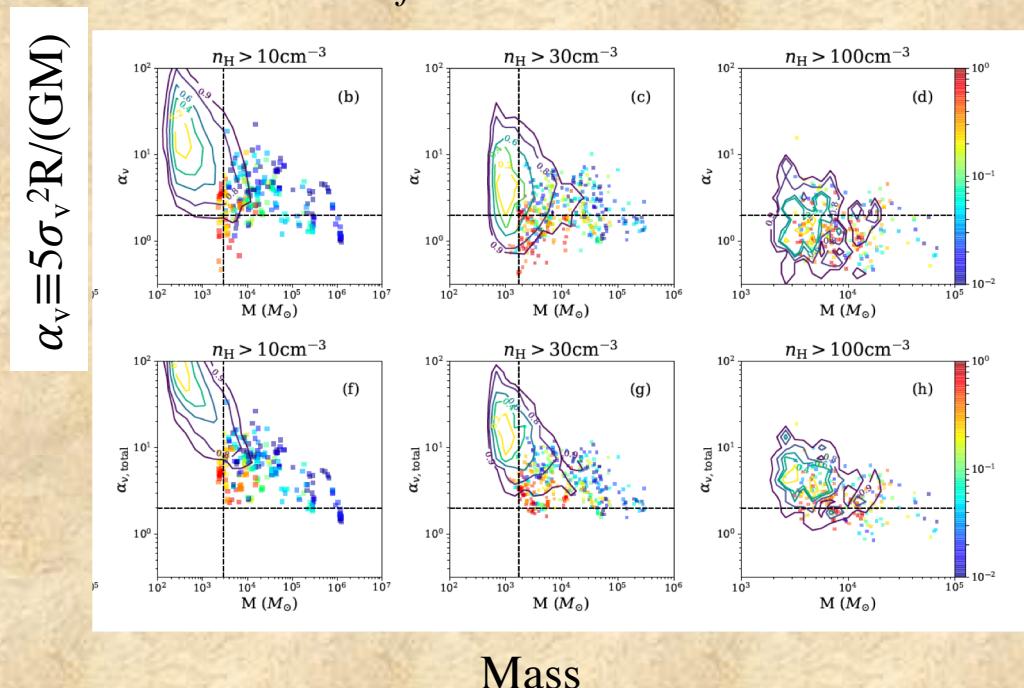
- With $\varepsilon_{\text{ff}} \equiv \Sigma_{\text{SFR}} (t + t_{\text{shift}}) t_{\text{ff}} / \Sigma_{\text{gas}}(t)$, ε_{ff} increases with density



Dense gas=bound gas?

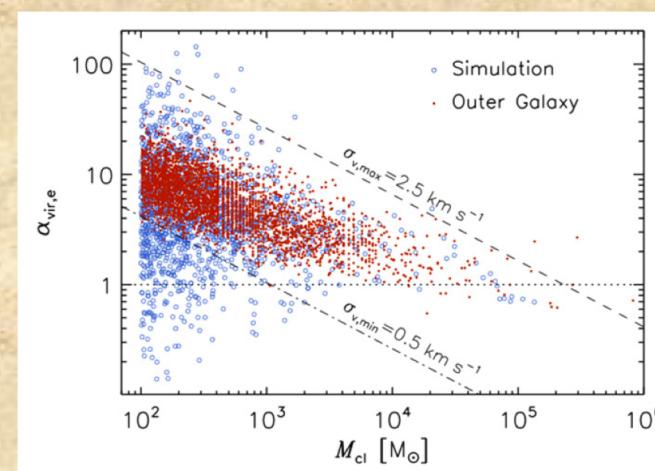
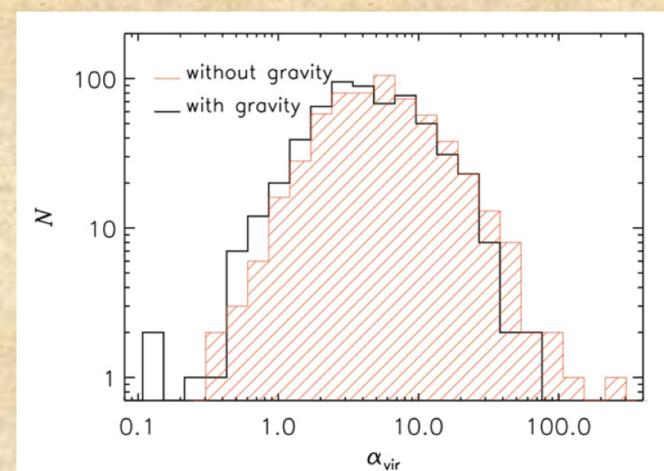
Fraction of cloud mass that is bound

- Most structures, especially at low mass, are unbound
- No fixed density threshold for becoming bound: bound fraction increases with density threshold
- Simple virial parameter typically overestimates true "boundedness"
- Massive clouds are typically not bound even if $\alpha_{\text{vir}} < 2$



Mass

Mao, Ostriker, & C.-G. Kim (2019)



Padoan, Pan,
Haugbolle, &
Nordlund (2016)

SF efficiency per free-fall time

Can test how well analytic SF models fit numerical results using time series

$$\text{SFR}_m(t) = \sum_{\text{object}} \epsilon_{\text{ff}}(\alpha_{v,i}) M_i / t_{\text{ff},i}.$$

[1] constant

$$\epsilon_{\text{ff}}(\alpha_v) = \epsilon_{\text{ff},0}.$$

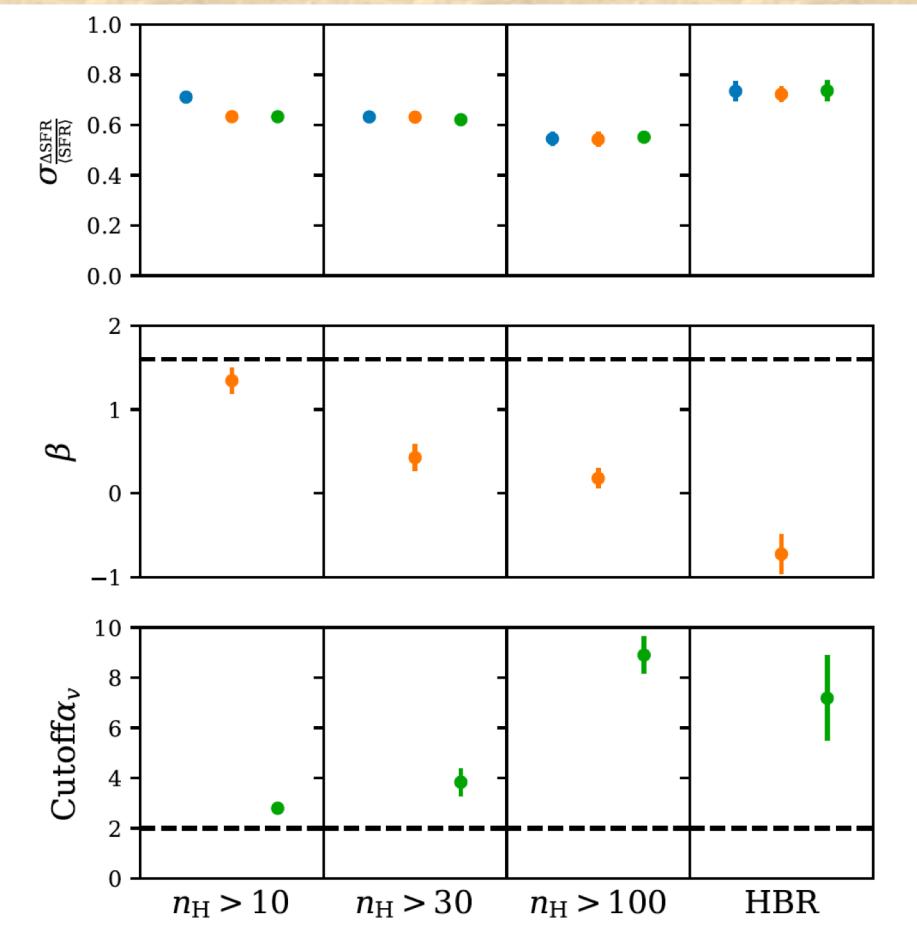
[2] exponential

$$\epsilon_{\text{ff}}(\alpha_v) = \epsilon_{\text{ff},0} \exp(-\beta \sqrt{3\pi^2/40} \alpha_v)$$

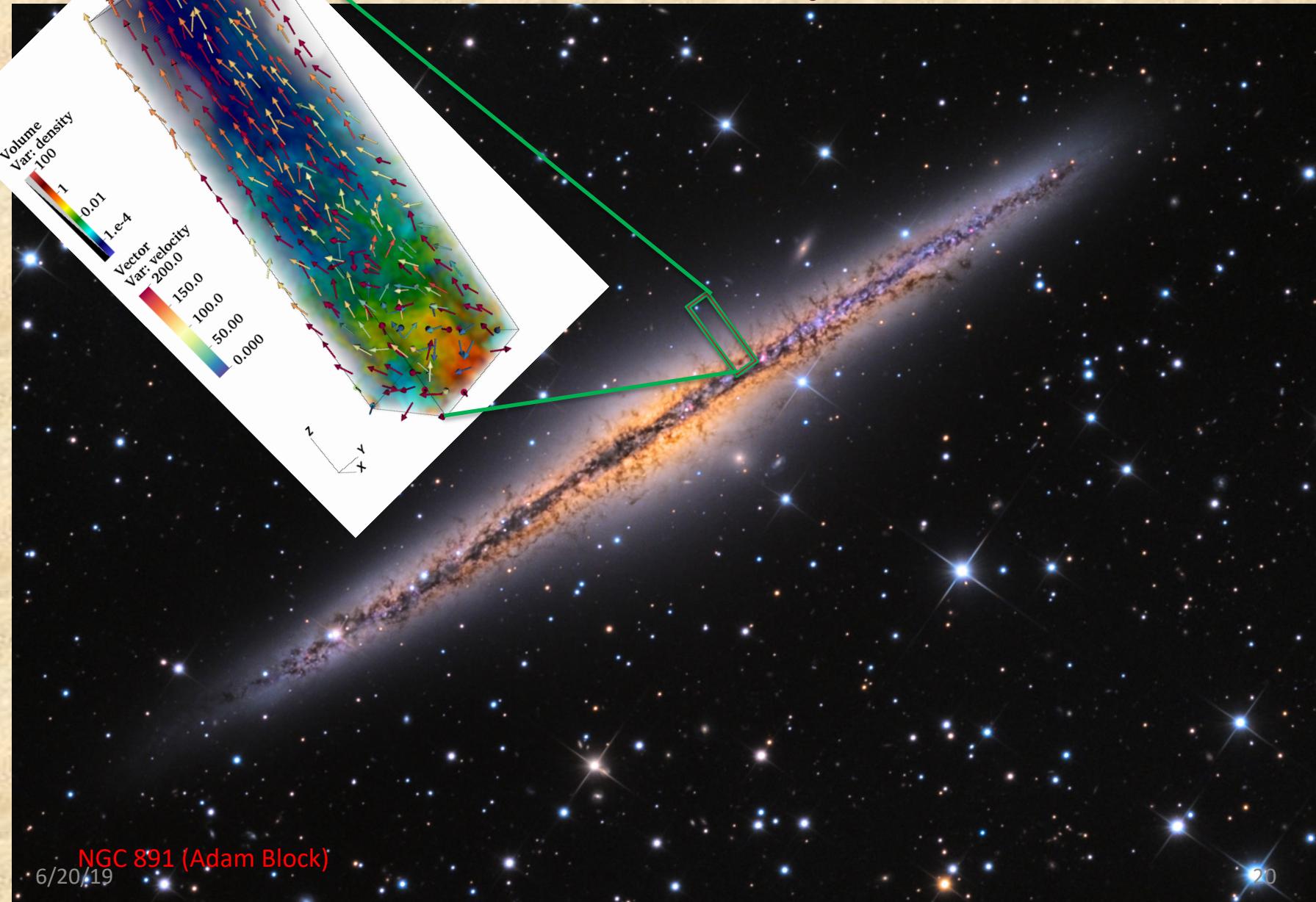
Padoan, Haugbolle, & Nordlund (2012): $\beta=1.6$

[3] threshold

$$6/20/ \quad \epsilon_{\text{ff}}(\alpha_v) = \epsilon_{\text{ff},0} H(\alpha_{v,\text{cutoff}} - \alpha_v),$$



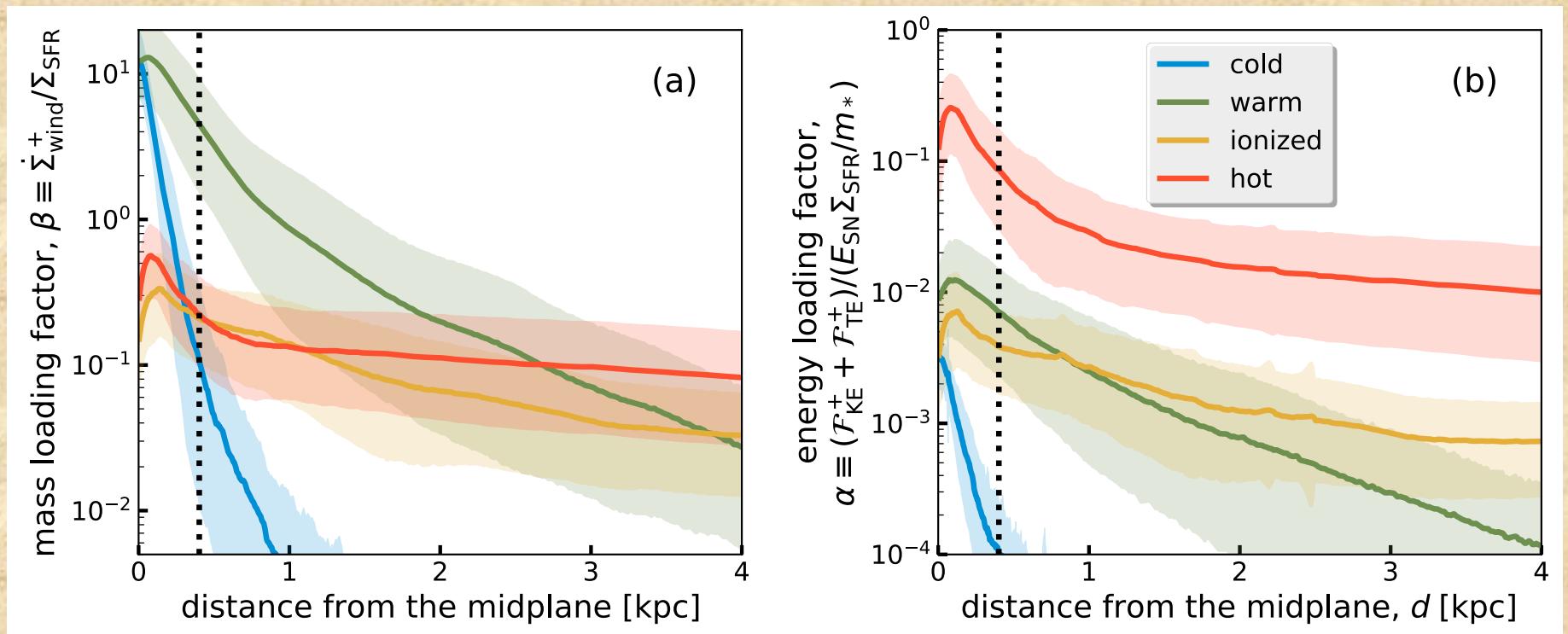
Galactic winds & fountains



NGC 891 (Adam Block)
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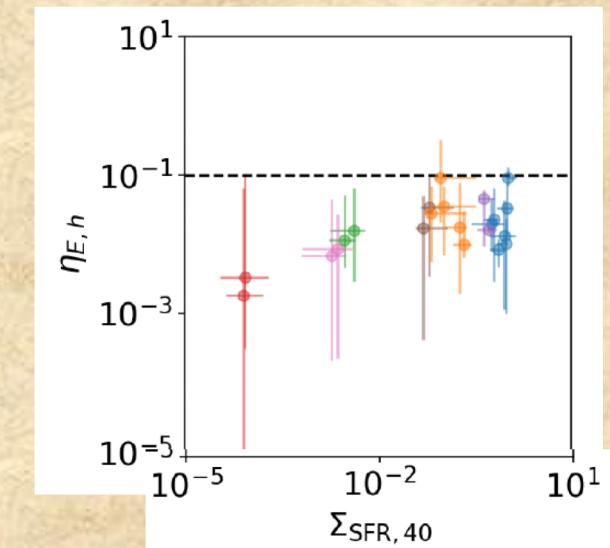
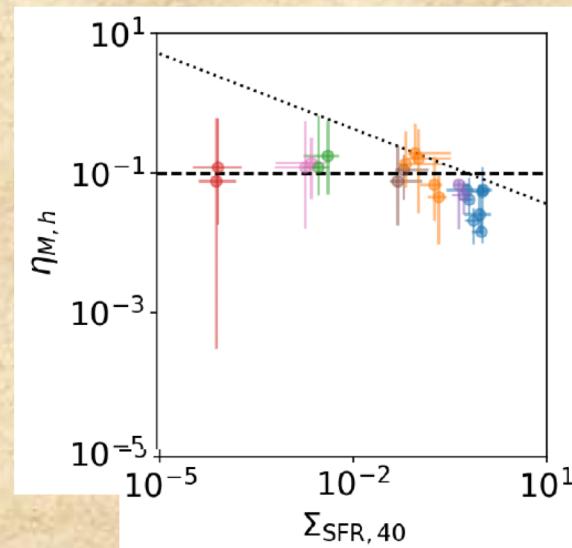
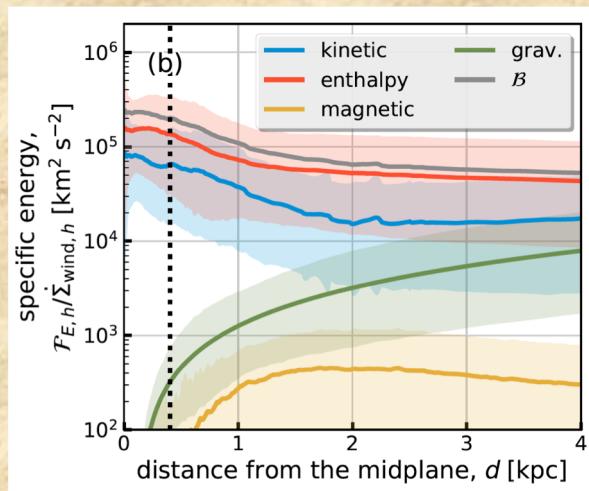
Outflows driven by SNe: hot wind

- From TIGRESS simulations of Solar nbhd:
 - Hot gas escapes as nearly adiabatic wind carrying 10% of the mass converted to stars, 1% of energy in SNe
 - Warm gas has more mass, less energy: creates “fountain”



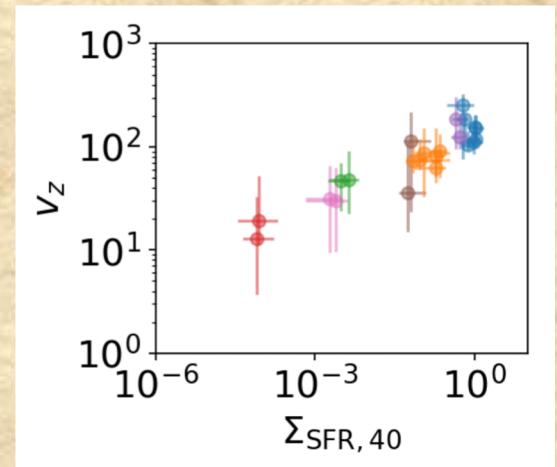
Outflows driven by SNe: hot wind

- From TIGRESS simulations across environments:
 - Bernoulli implies asymptotic speed $v_{\text{hot}} \sim 300\text{-}500 \text{ km/s}$
 - Mass loading insensitive to SFR
 - Energy loading increases weakly with SFR

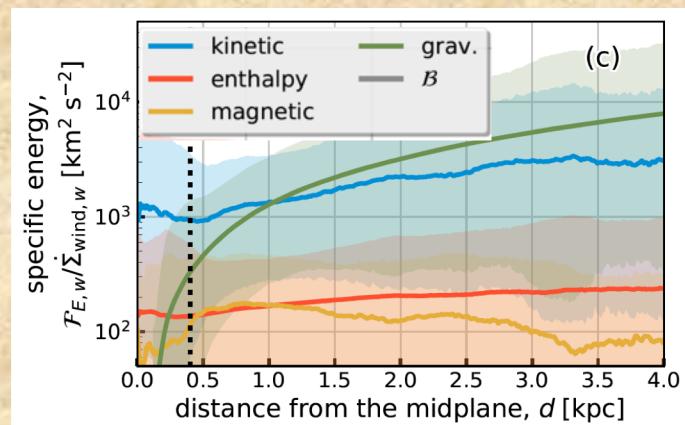


Outflows driven by SNe: warm fountain

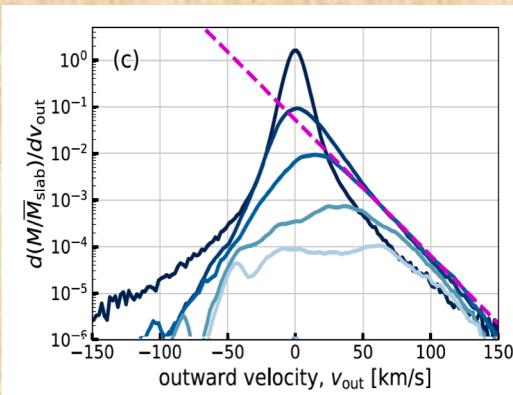
- Warm gas accelerated to $v \sim 20\text{-}200 \text{ km/s}$, increases with SFR
- Exponential distribution dM/dv_z
- Creates **fountain** in massive galaxies ($v_z < v_{\text{esc}}$)
For dwarf galaxy, gas could escape ($v_z > v_{\text{esc}}$)



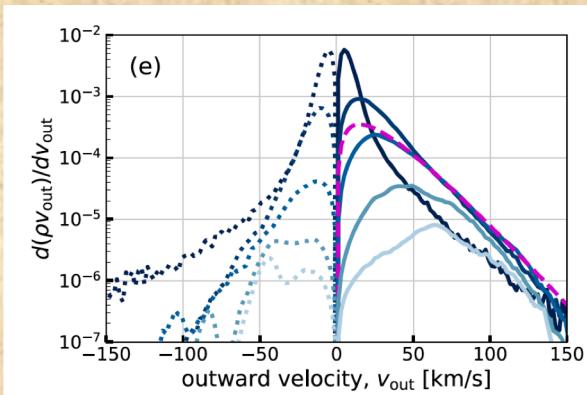
Warm “fountain” gas may be further accelerated out of galaxy by cosmic ray pressure gradients when CR fluid streams at v_A



Warm component



$d=0, 0.5, 1, 2, 3 \text{ kpc}$



Carrying capacity for CR-driven wind

- Mass-loss rate/ area in disk:

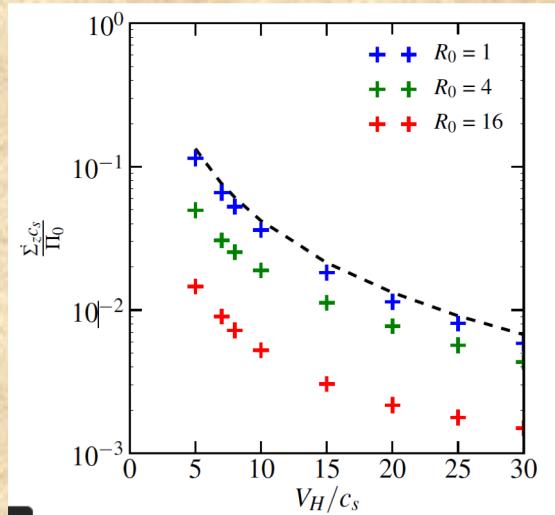
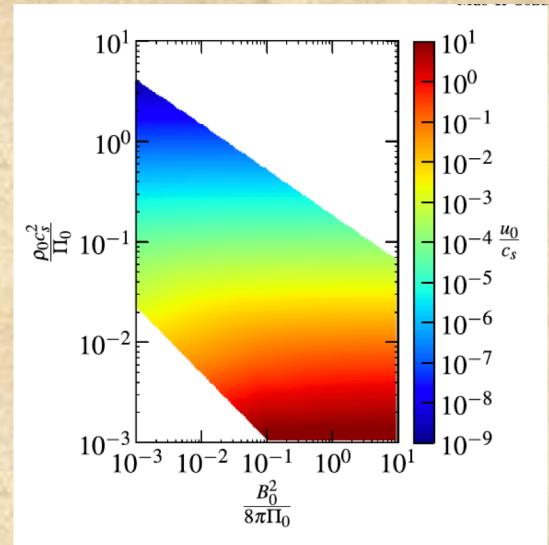
$$\dot{\Sigma} \sim 3 \times 10^{-3} M_{\odot} \text{ kpc}^{-2} \text{ yr}^{-1} \left(\frac{\Pi_0}{1 \text{ eV cm}^{-3}} \right) \left(\frac{V_H}{200 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{-5/3} \left(\frac{u_0}{50 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{2/3}$$

Mao & Ostriker (2018)

- Mass-loss rate compared to SFR:

$$\frac{\dot{\Sigma}_{\text{wind,cr}}}{\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}} = \frac{\eta_{\text{cr}}}{c_s} \frac{\dot{\Sigma}_z c_s}{\Pi_0} \\ \sim 0.8 \left(\frac{\eta_{\text{cr}}}{600 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right) \left(\frac{V_H}{200 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{-5/3} \left(\frac{u_0}{50 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{2/3} \left(\frac{A_c}{A_0} \right)^{1/3} \hat{z} \cdot \hat{s}.$$

- $u_0 \sim 20\text{-}200 \text{ km/s}$ for SN-driven “fountain” \Rightarrow wind mass-loss could exceed SFR for $V_H < 200 \text{ km/s}$



Summary

- Star formation is **self-regulated by feedback** at wide range of scales:
 - turbulent, thermal, radiation, magnetic, and cosmic ray energy densities are sustained by ***energy input from massive stars***
 - these stresses ***control SF rates and efficiencies*** by mitigating or reversing gravitationally-induced collapse
- For disk galaxies, mean SFR adjusts so that turbulent, thermal, & magnetic pressure allow **quasi-steady equilibrium** in energy equation (gains=losses) and momentum equation (force balance)
- Most **dense structures appear to be unbound**, when taking into account full gravitational potential (tidal effects)
- Structures at **higher density are increasingly correlated with SF**; varying models for ε_{ff} fit SFR comparably
- Outflows driven by SNe create **galactic winds and fountains**
 - hot winds have mass loading ~ 0.1 , energy loading $\sim 0.01 - 0.1$
 - warm fountains have $v \sim 20-200 \text{ km/s}$, mass loading ~ 1 at $z \sim \text{kpc}$
 - Streaming cosmic rays may accelerate warm fountains into warm winds to produce mass loading >1 when $v_H \lesssim 200 \text{ km/s}$