

# Simulations of AGN jets on 100 kpc scale

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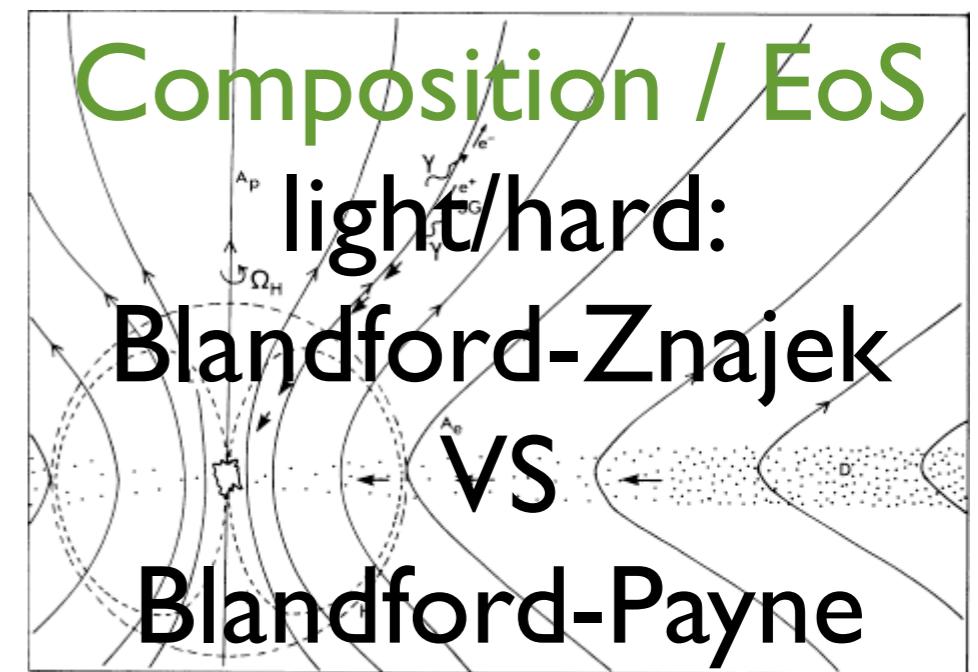
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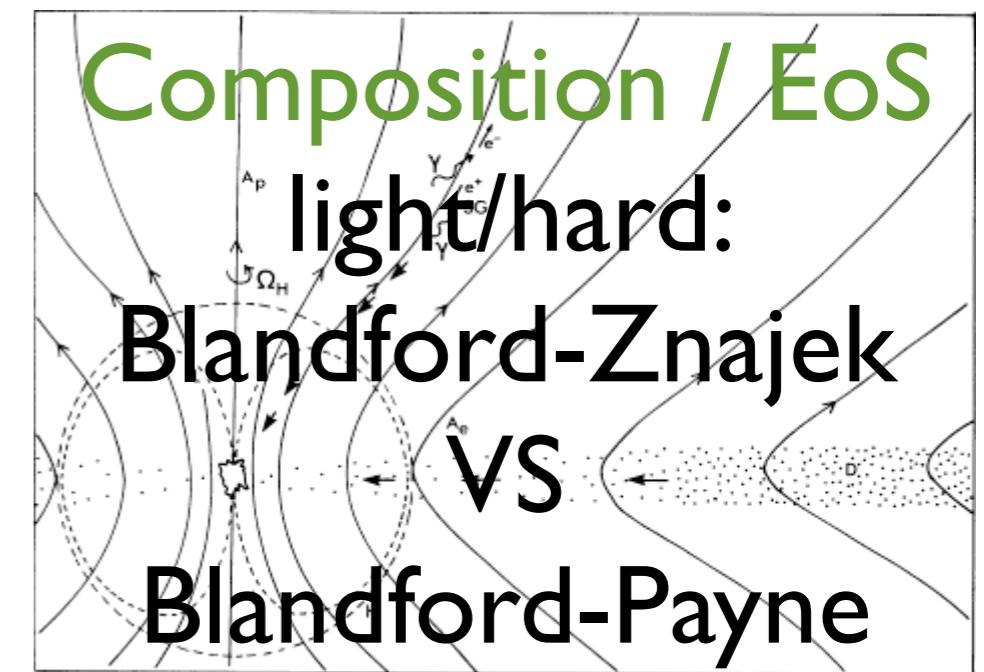
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Observations: obscured,  
sparse, small scale gas.  
Simulations: need to link  
several physical scales.



Blandford, Znajek 1977

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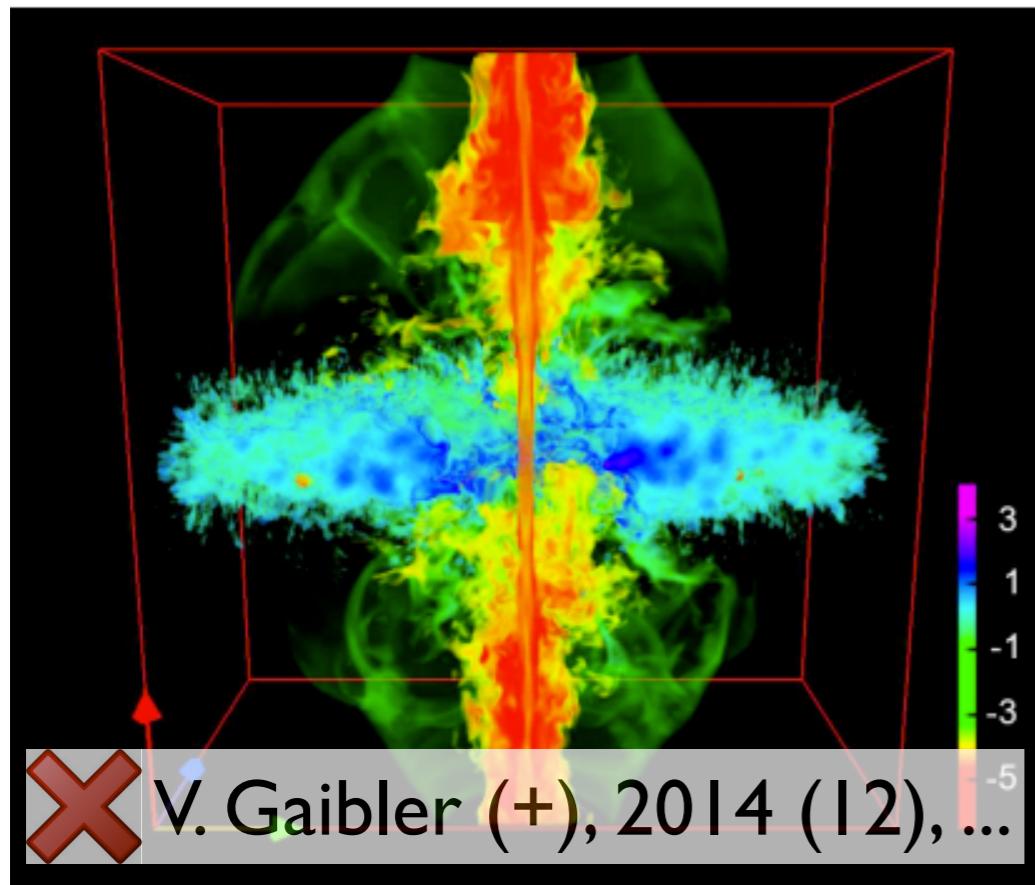


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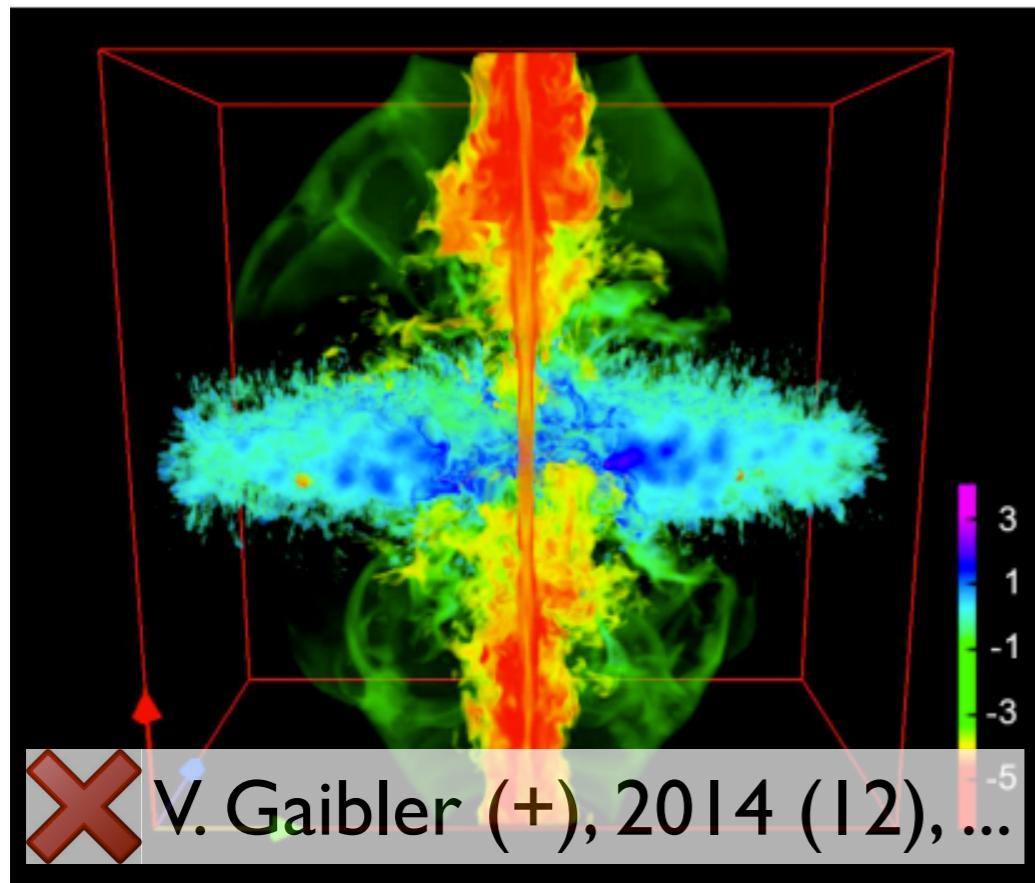
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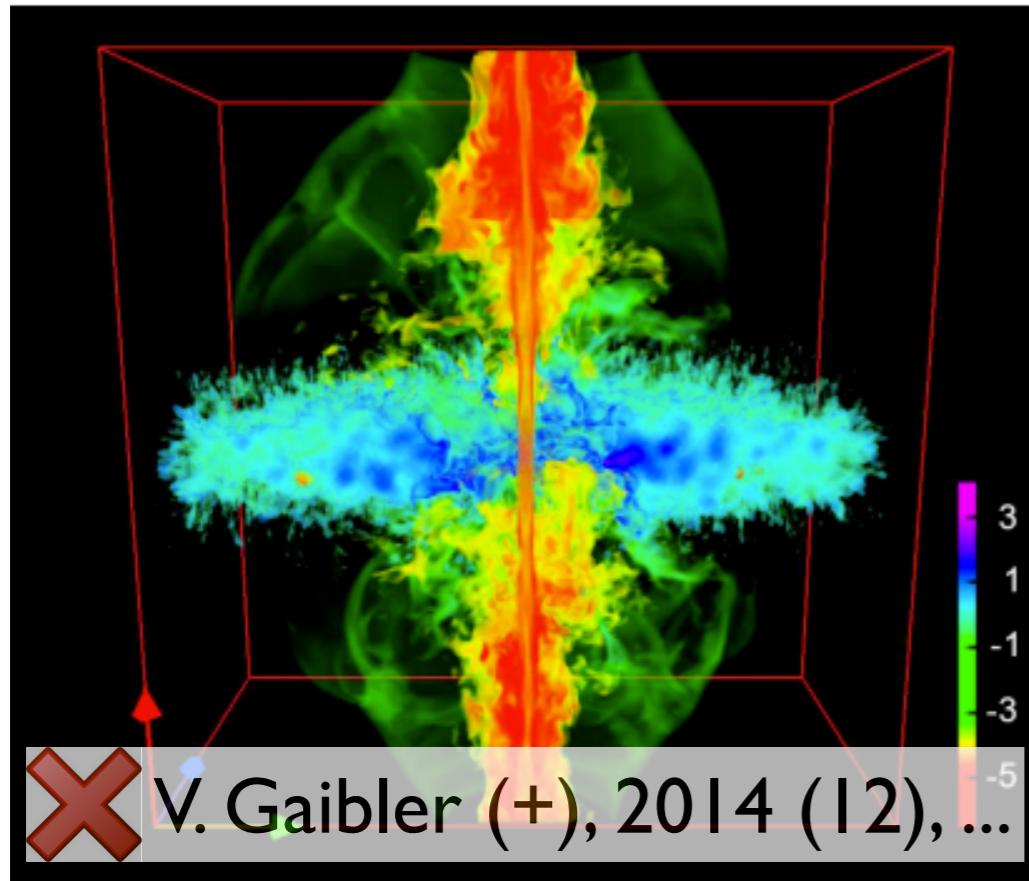
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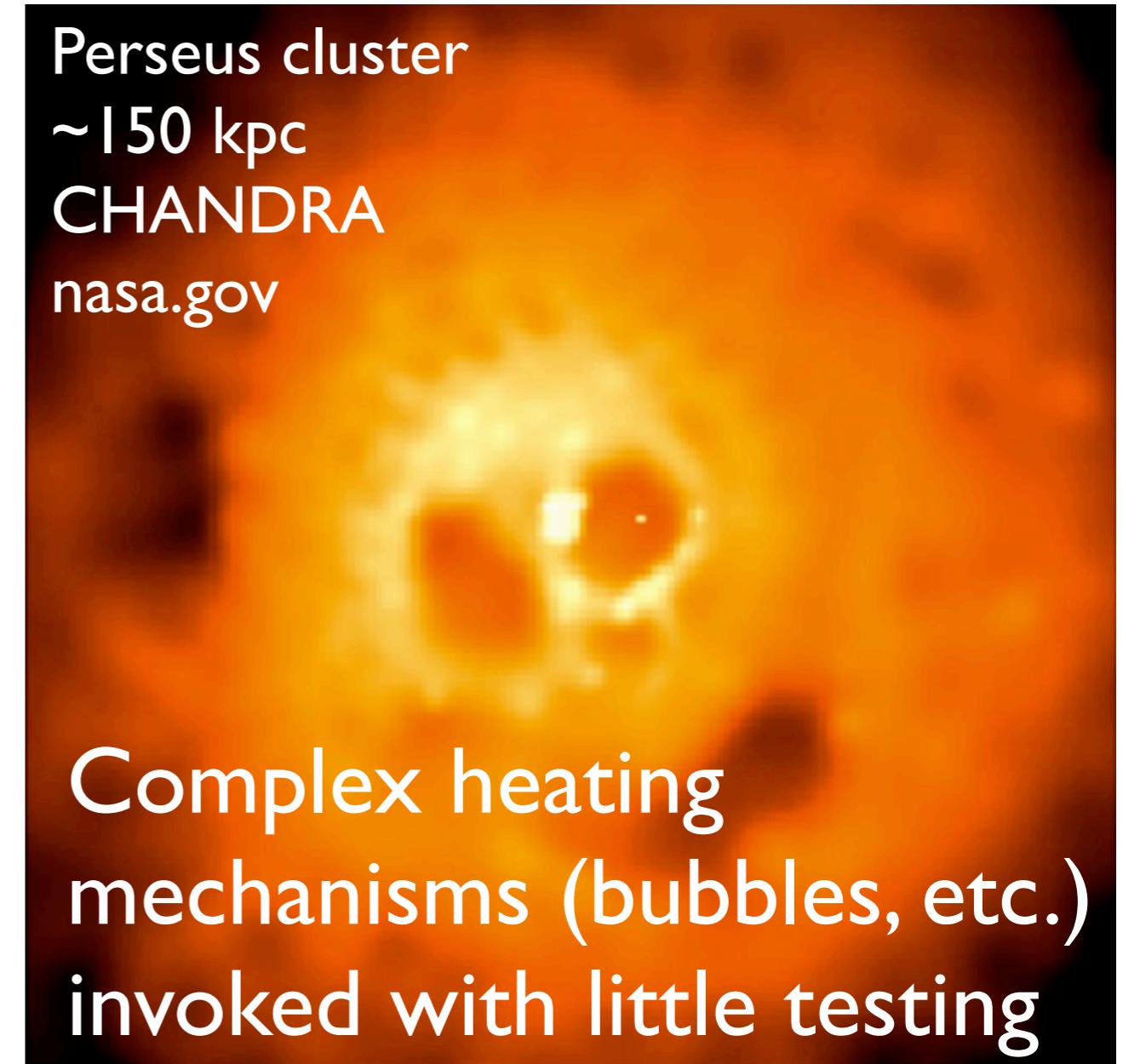


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Perseus cluster  
~150 kpc  
CHANDRA  
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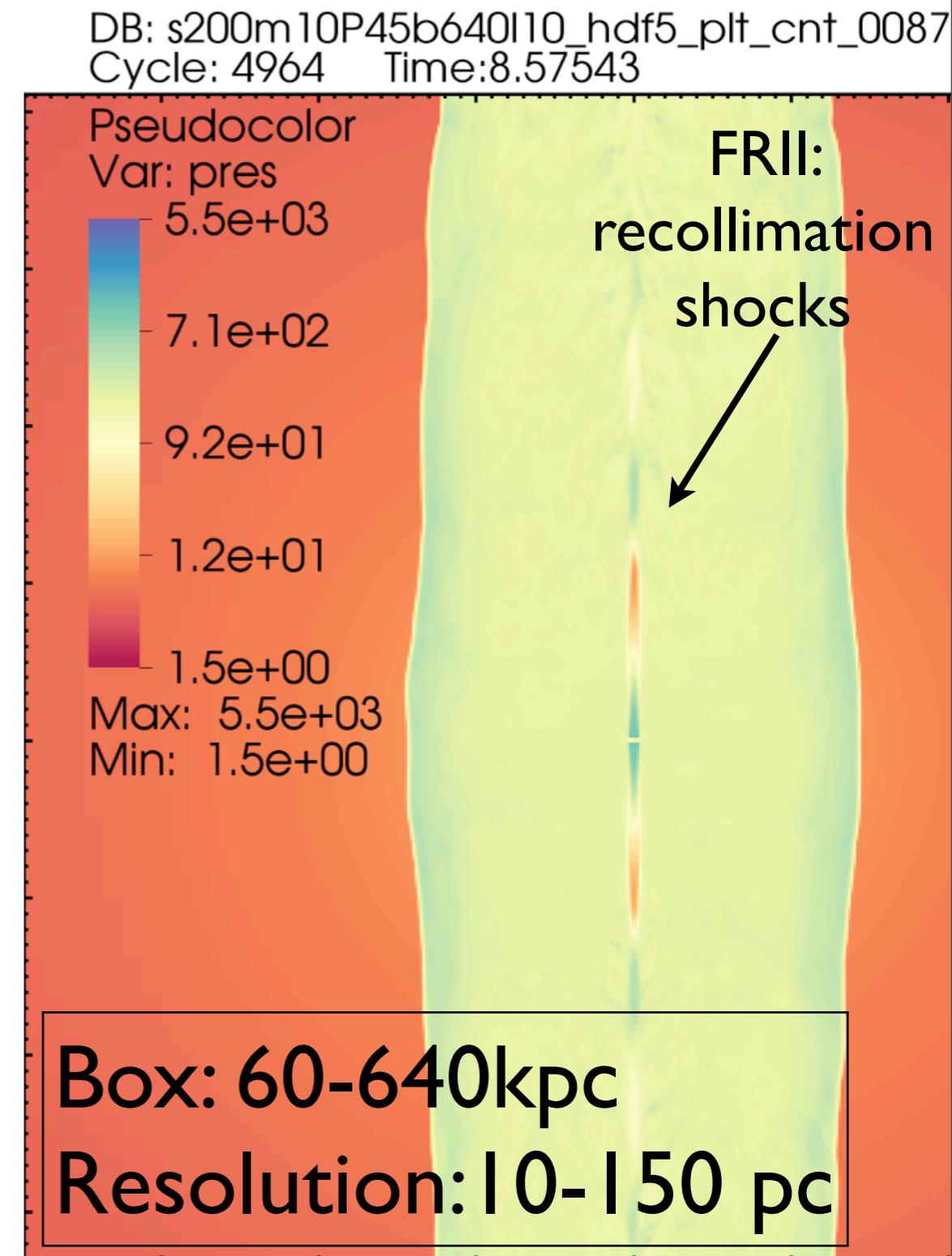
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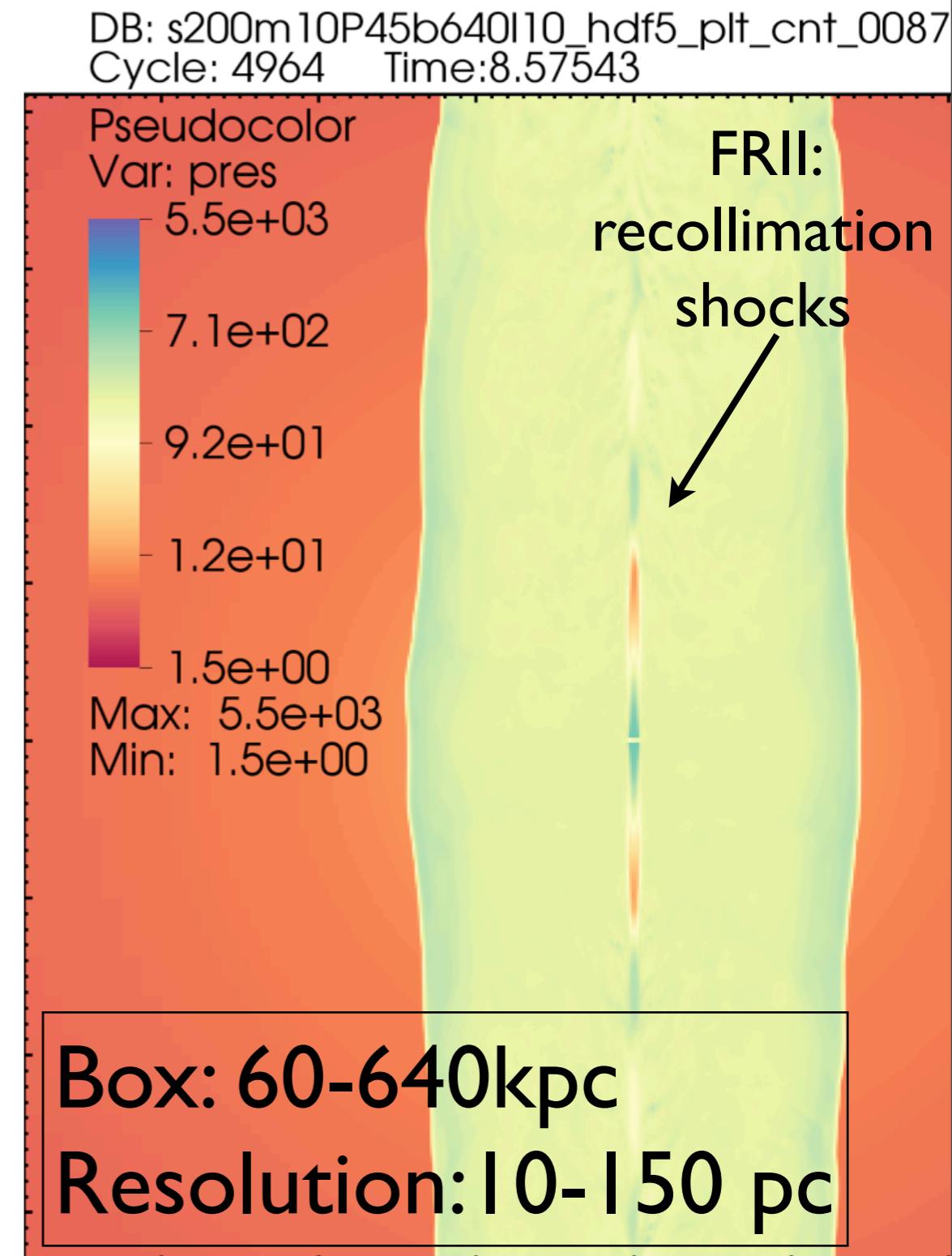
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  - in a central galaxy + SF with sink particles. One day.



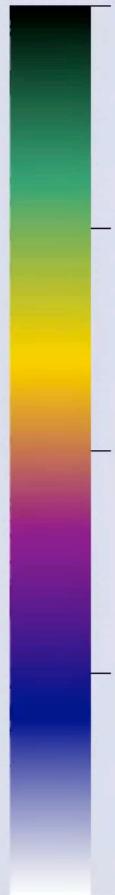
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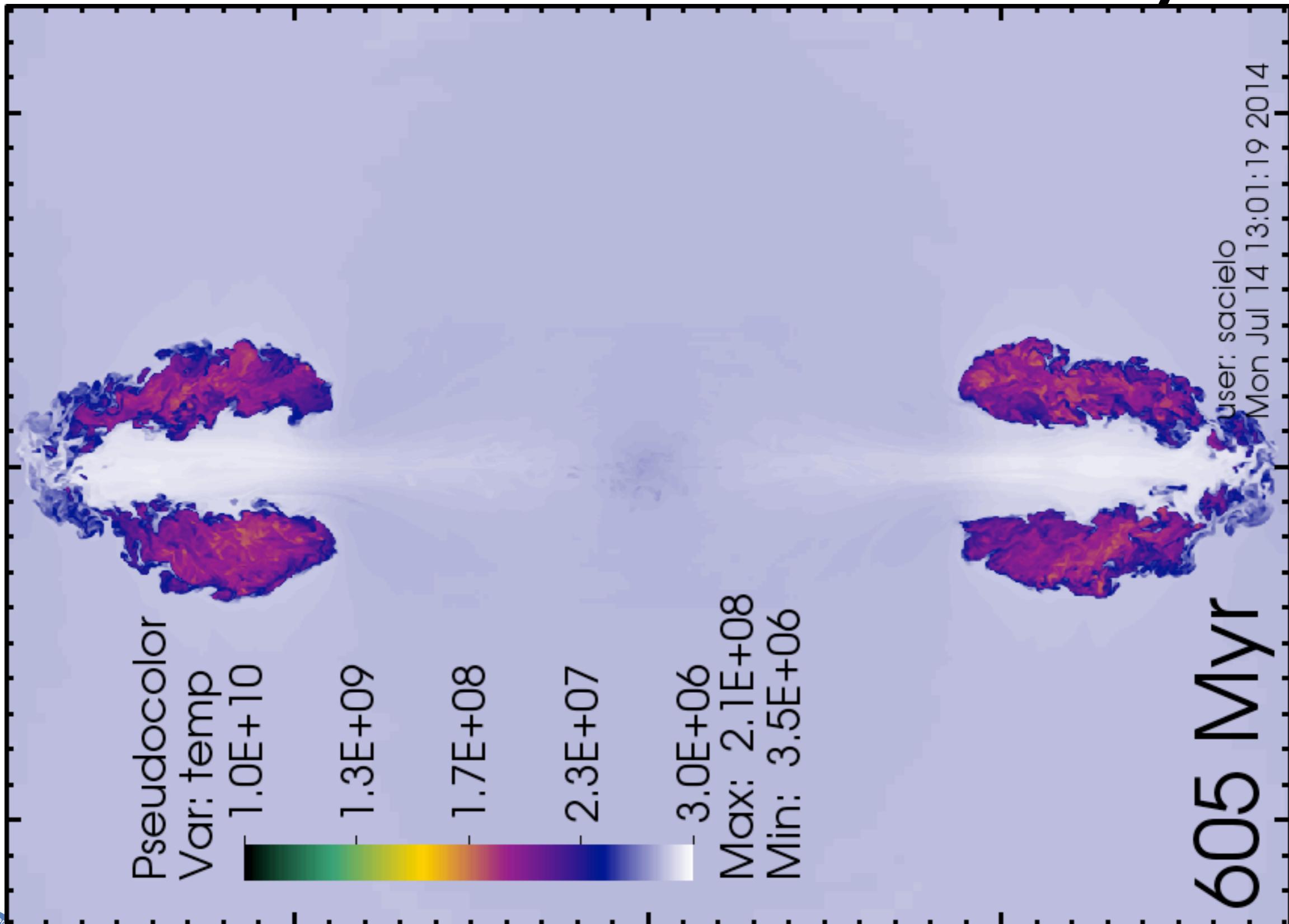
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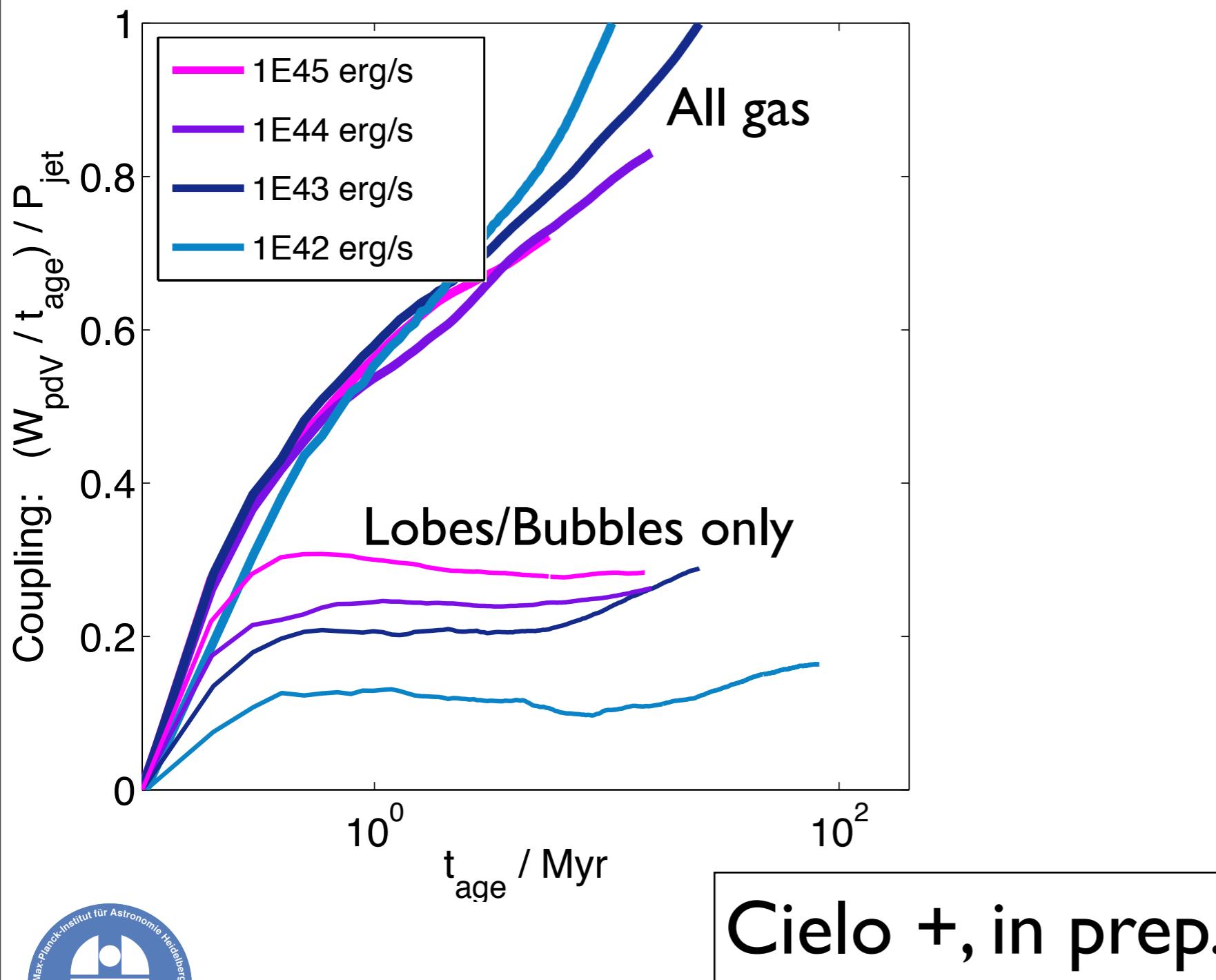


# Bubbles still there after .6 Gyr



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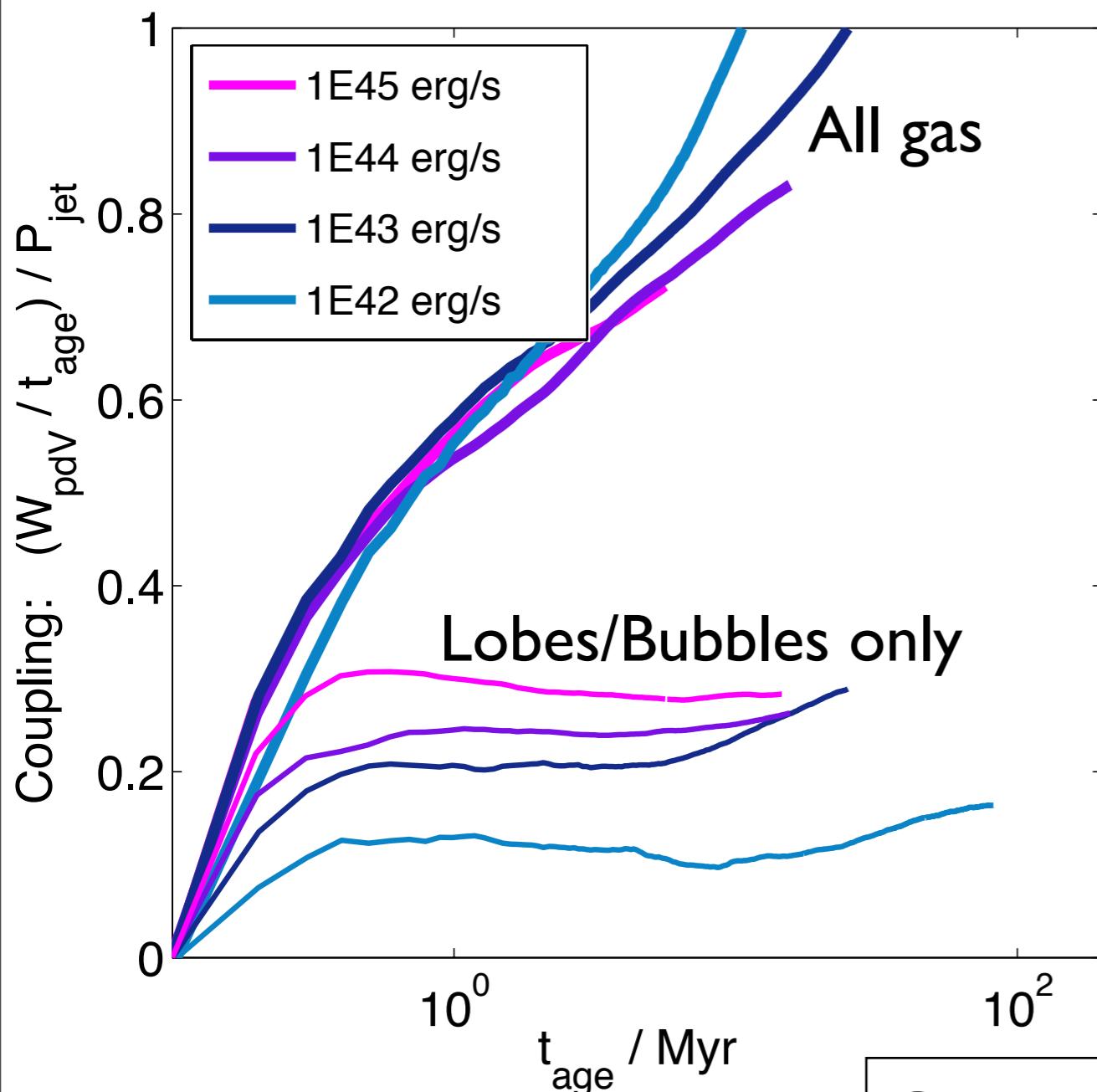
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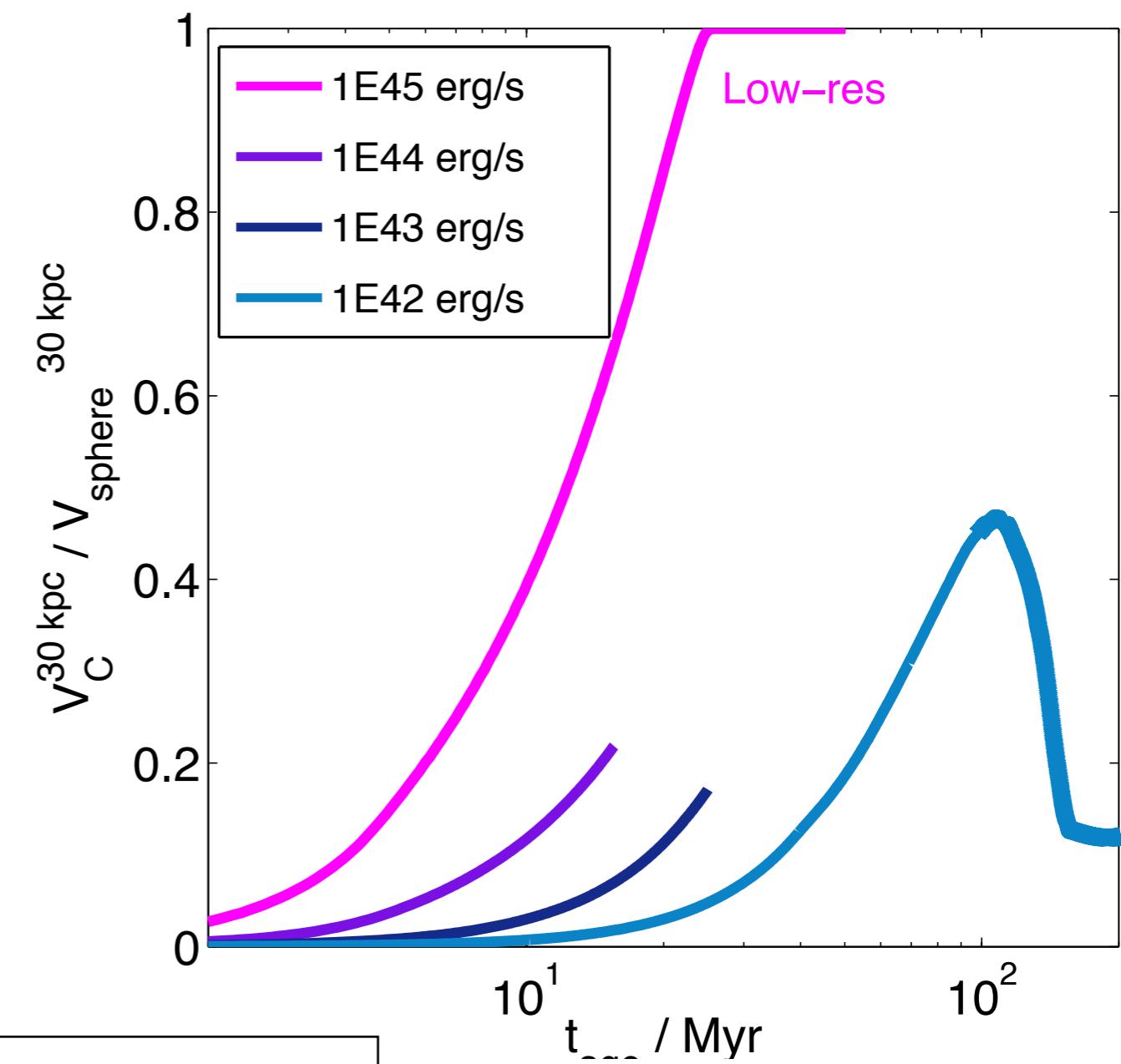
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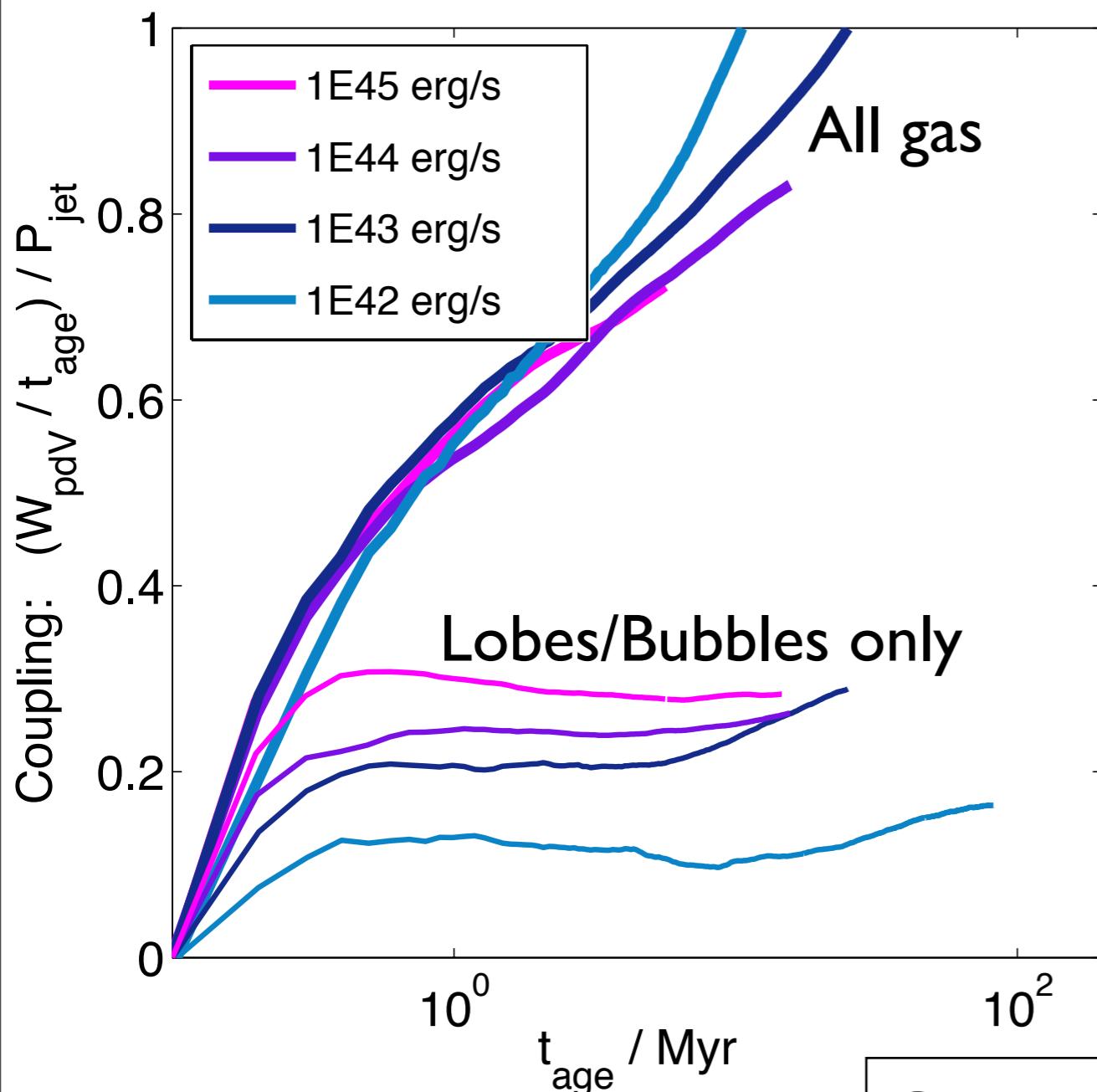
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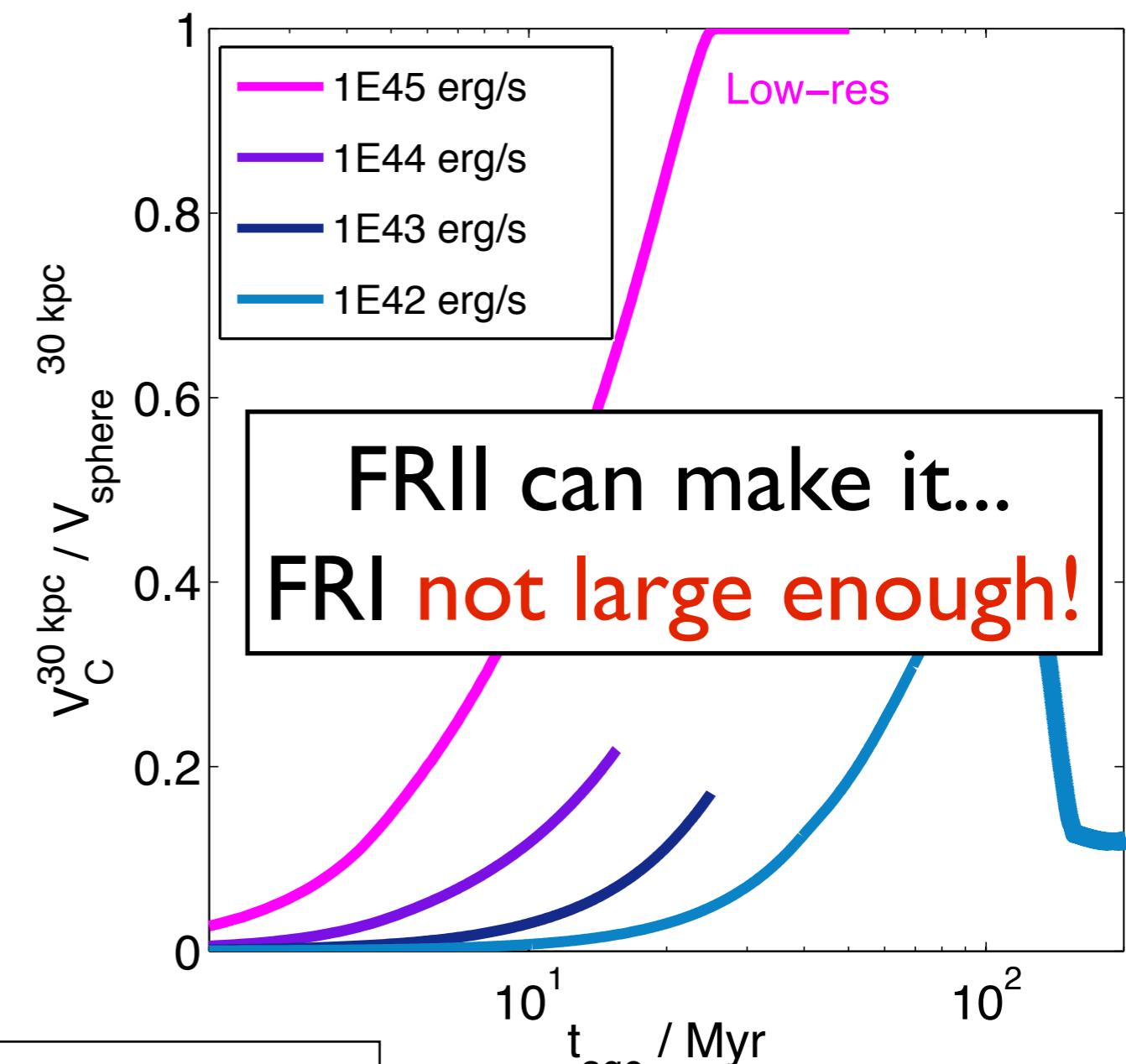
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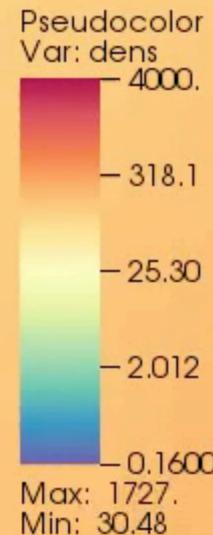
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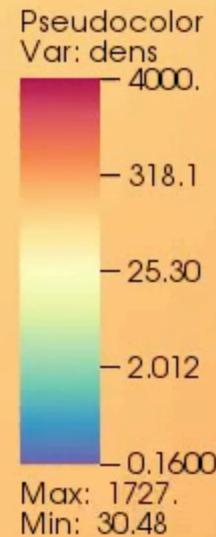


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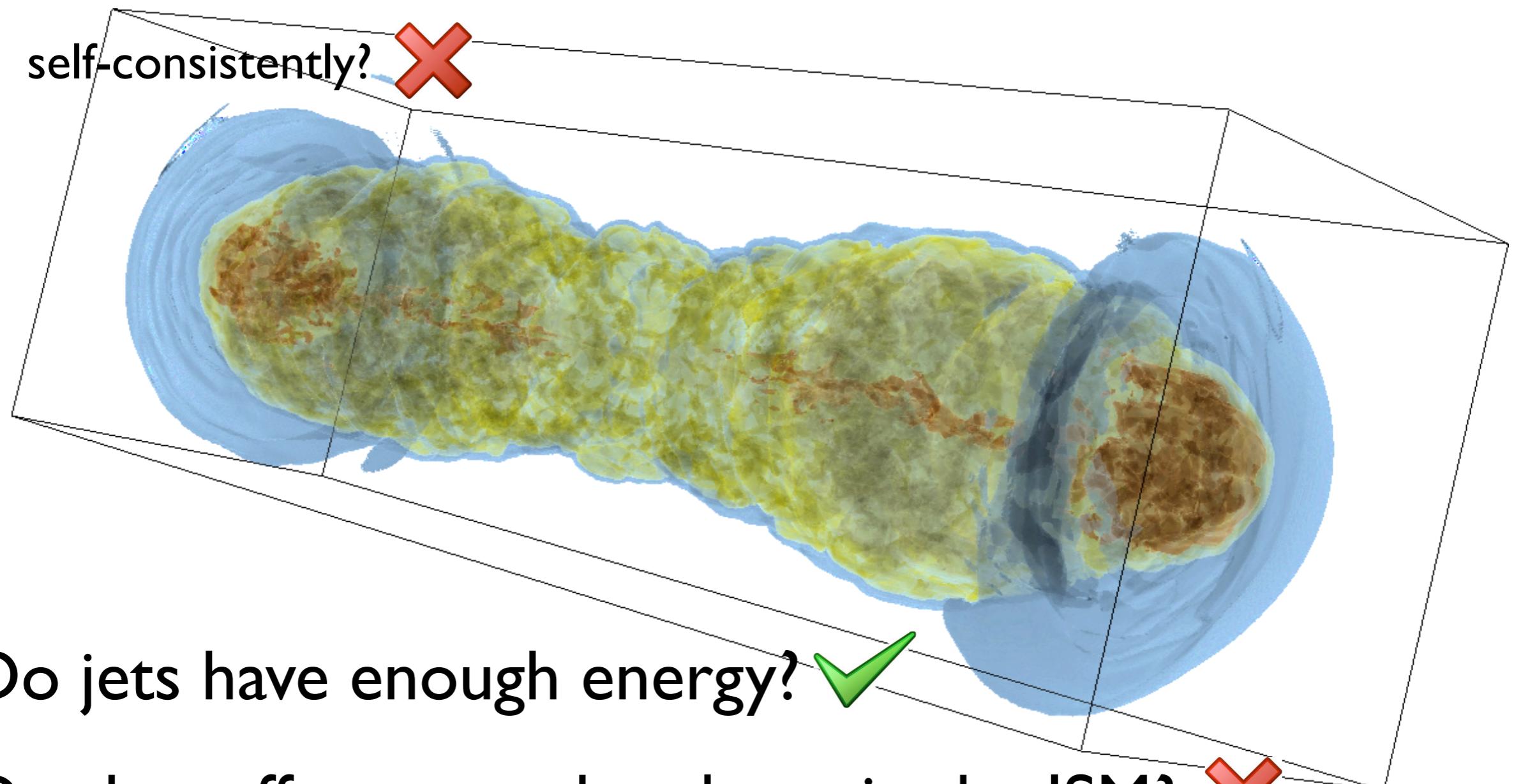
Can the volume fraction  
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Not really... :(

# Summary

- Can we simulate AGNs radio mode with AMR? 

- self-consistently? 



- Do jets have enough energy? 
- Do they affect enough volume in the ISM? 