

Positive and negative feedback by AGN jets

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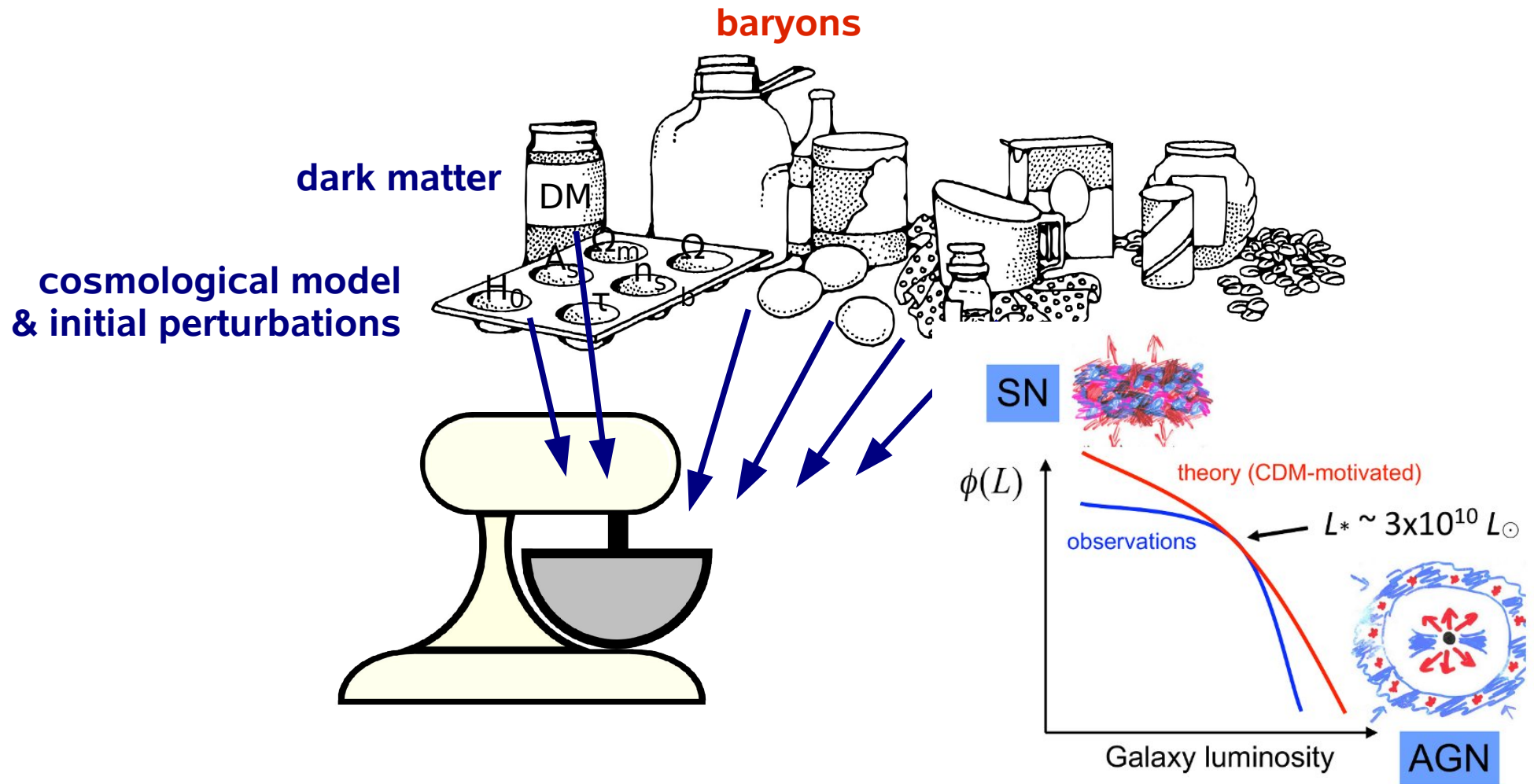
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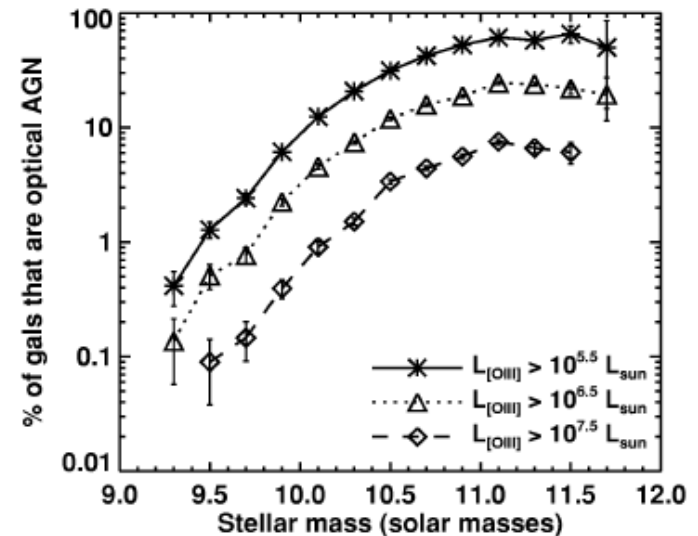
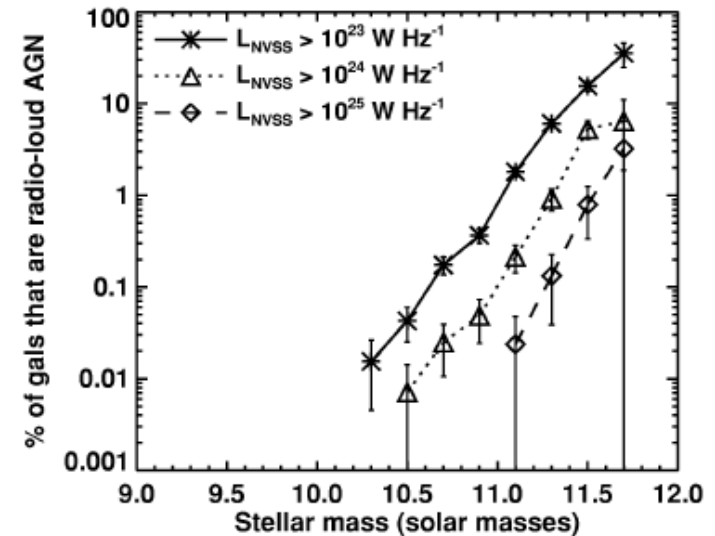
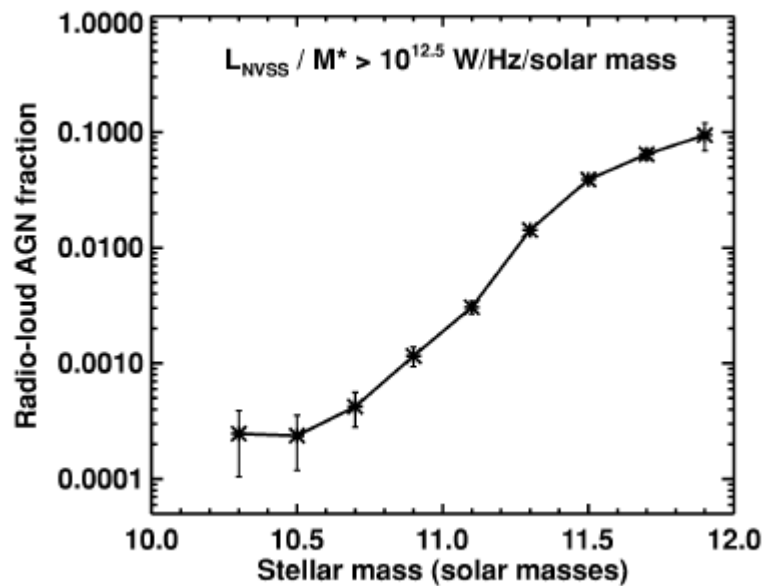
Baking a galaxy...



Silk & Mamon 2012

The baryon nuisance

- AGN / jet activity in massive galaxies is quite common ($> 30\%$ for high-mass bin, Best+ 2005)
- natural suspect additional processes (SN too weak)



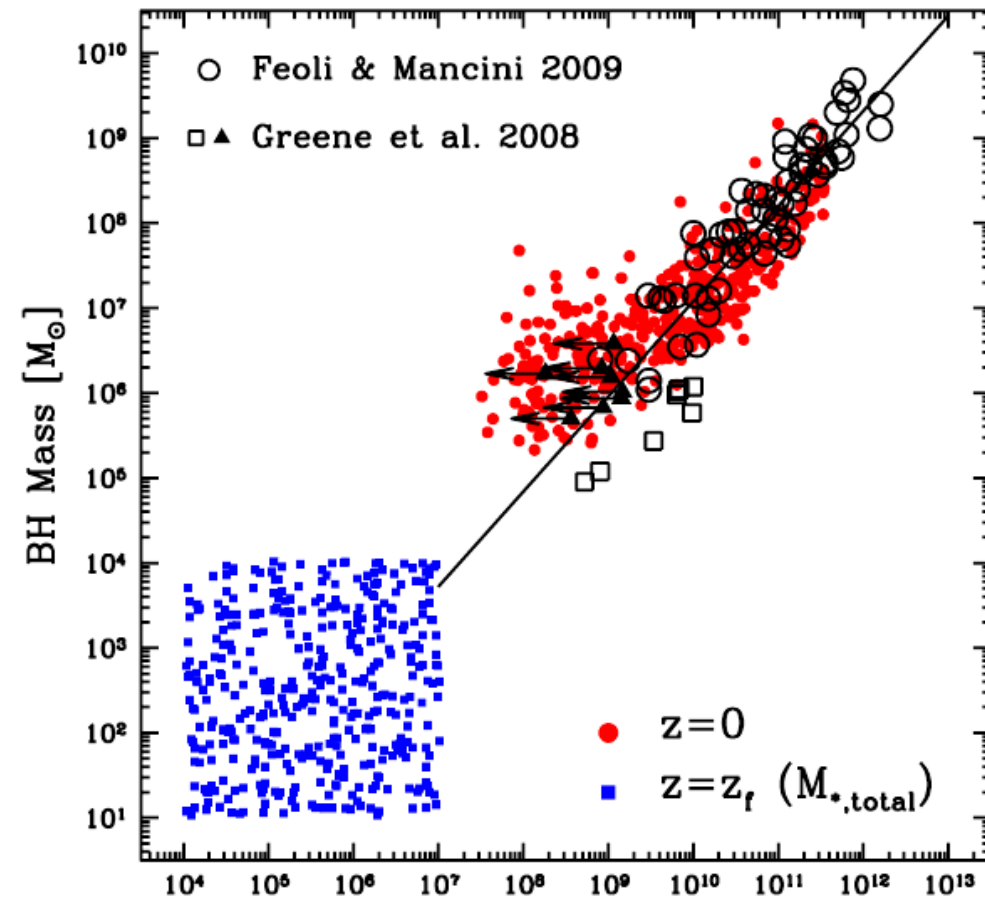
The baryon nuisance



- **Idea:**
energy input from black hole activity quenches
star formation (cold gas heated, disrupted, expelled, ...)
→ **negative feedback**
 - reasonable model, though somewhat ad-hoc
 - 100 kpc scales in galaxy clusters:
AGN jets can probably regulate the cooling flows,
negative feedback works there
 - Works well in semi-analytic models and cosmological hydro
simulations – now a common ingredient
- e.g. Croton+ 2006; Di Matteo+ 2005, Sijacki+ 2007, McCarthy+ 2010, Dubois+ 2013
- Rafferty+ 2008,
Birzan+ 2012
Zanni+ 2005,
Gaibler+ 2009

$M_{\text{BH}} - \sigma$ and $M_{\text{BH}} - M$

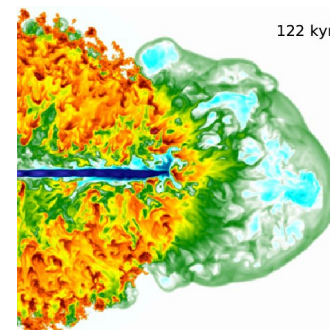
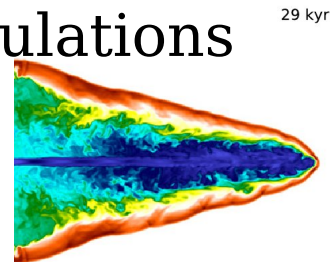
- Observed: link between black hole and spheroid mass or velocity dispersion
- → Coevolution of black hole and the spheroid stellar component
→ AGN feedback?
- Maybe, but might be also just statistics....
Jahnke & Maccio 2011



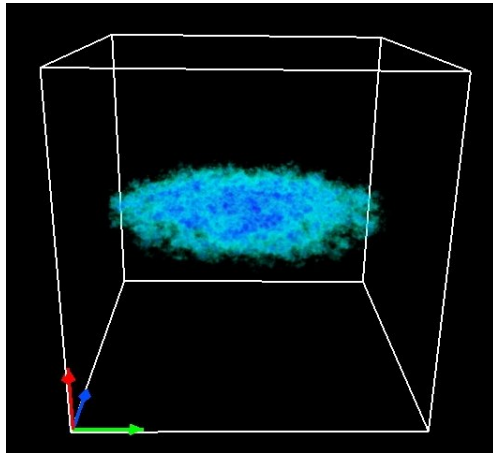
Positive feedback

- However, AGN feedback could also lead to increased star formation via compression of gas
→ **positive feedback** Silk 2005
- Interstellar medium: multi-phase medium
densities, temperatures, clumpy and filamentary
(unlike intra-cluster medium)
→ cannot be sufficiently described in large-scale simulations
→ wishful thinking???

→ back one step and explore how this interaction actually occurs in detail (theory & observations)!

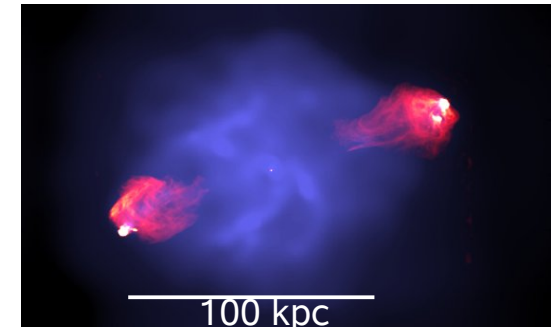


Simulating jet feedback



galaxy:

- massive and gas-rich galaxy at $z \sim 2-3$, 10^{11} solar masses both stars & gas, $\sim 150 M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$ (e.g. Genzel+ 2010)
- explicitly including *star formation*
- clumpy disk structure, thick disk
- optically thin cooling
- minimum temperature 10^4 K
- RAMSES, adaptive mesh refinement
- 128 kpc box, 62 pc resolution



Cyg A
Wilson+,
Perley+

jet:

- powerful jet (5×10^{45} erg/s)
 - mildly relativistic (0.8 c)
- resolved jet beam
→ tiny time steps

details:
VG, Krause, Khochfar, Silk 2012

Disk evolution rendering

movies:

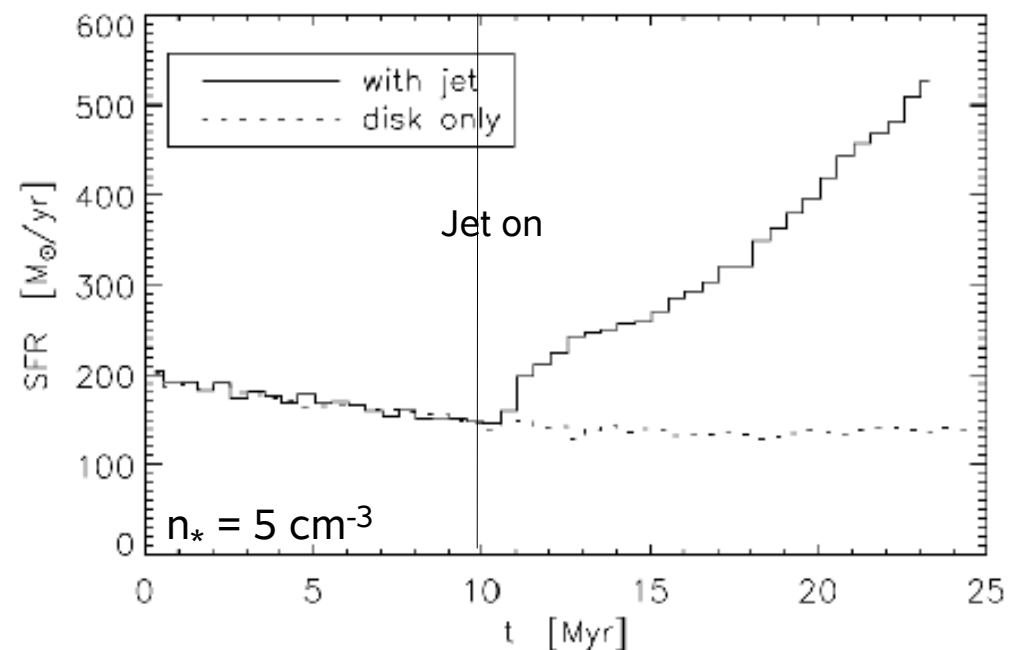
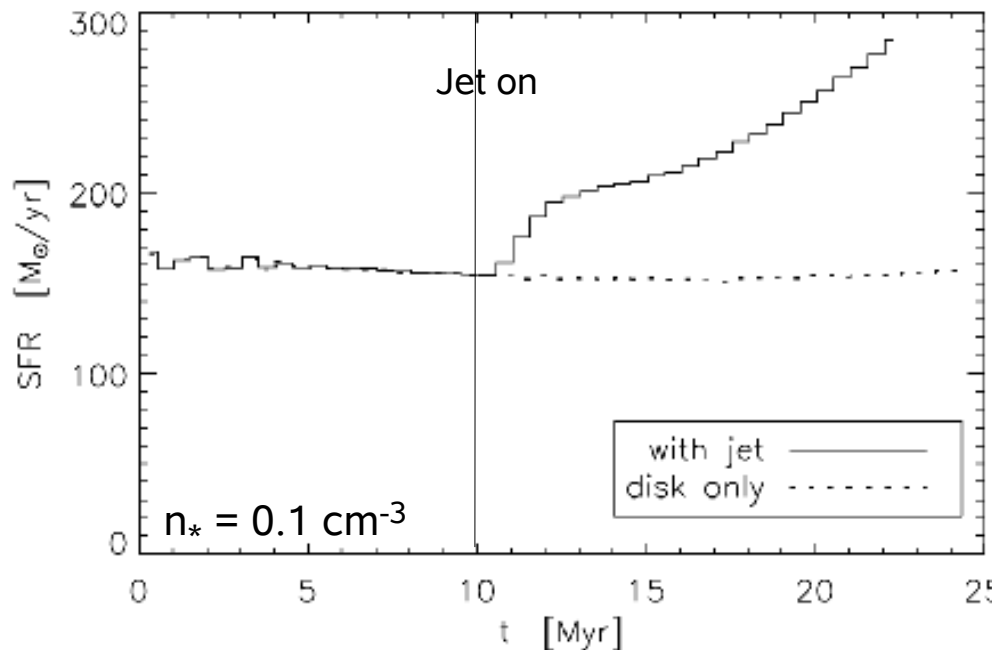
jet – disk interaction:

<http://www.ita.uni-heidelberg.de/~vgaibler/jet-disk/>

jet – disk interaction including star formation:

<http://www.ita.uni-heidelberg.de/~vgaibler/jet-disk-sf/>

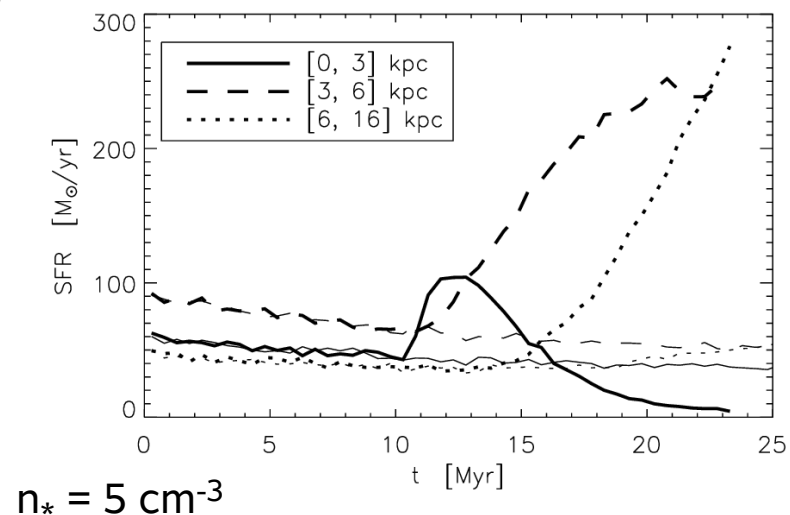
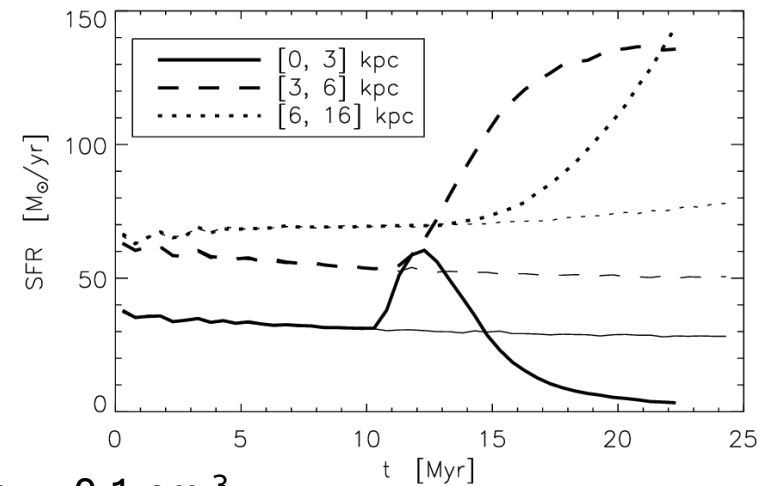
Star formation



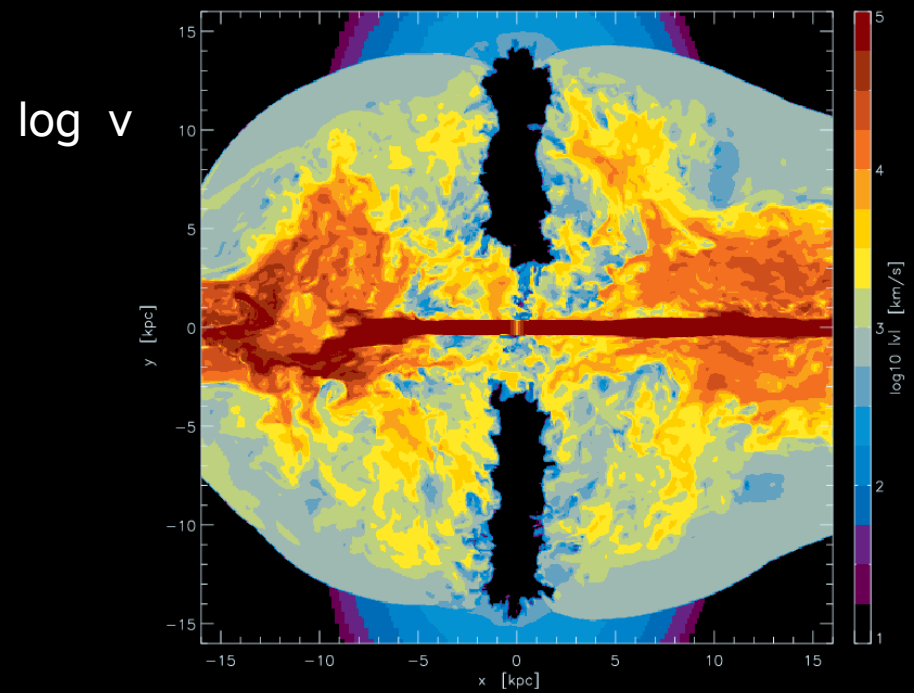
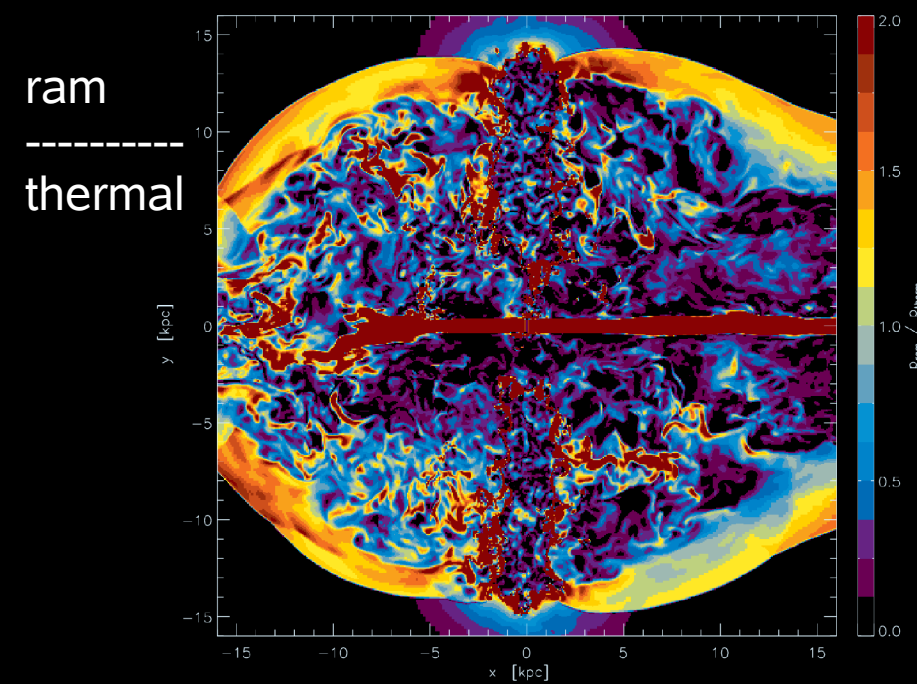
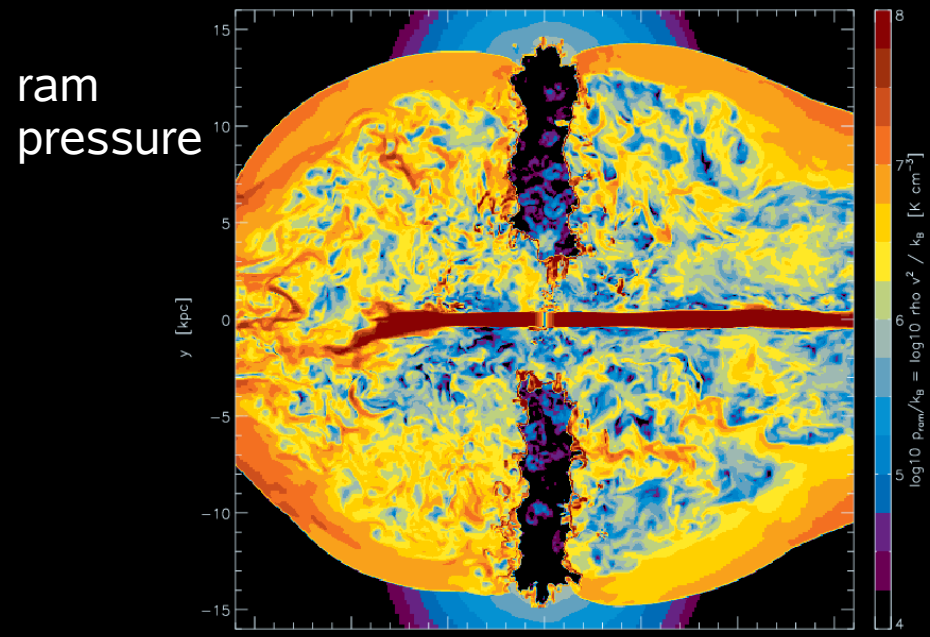
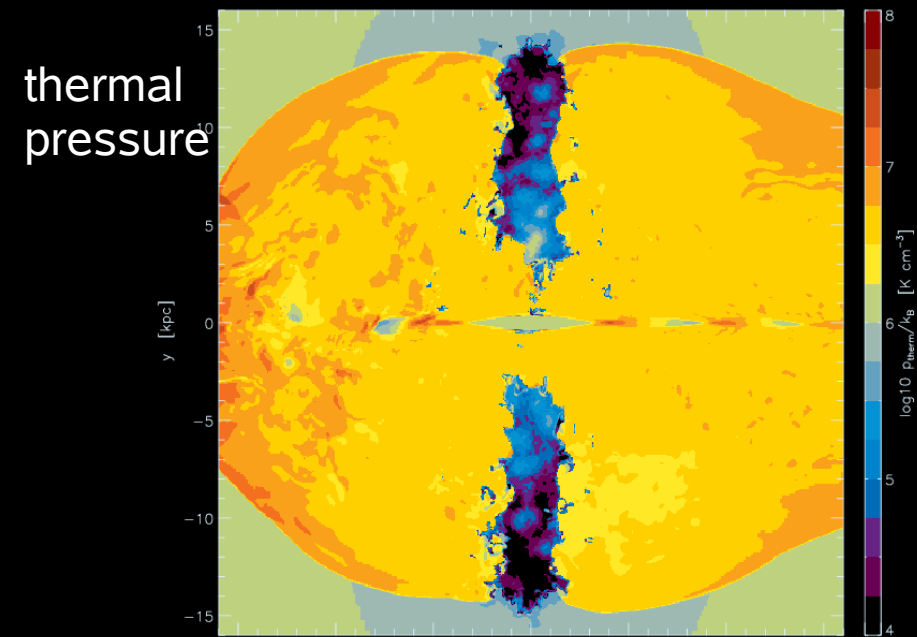
- strong increase in star formation rate: positive feedback
- filling factor of dense gas increases
- cloud survival/destruction:
 - Mellema+ 2002: shocked clouds break up but survive, Jeans-unstable \rightarrow collapse
 - cloud crushing time and Kelvin-Helmholtz growth time ok

The “3 Faces” of Feedback

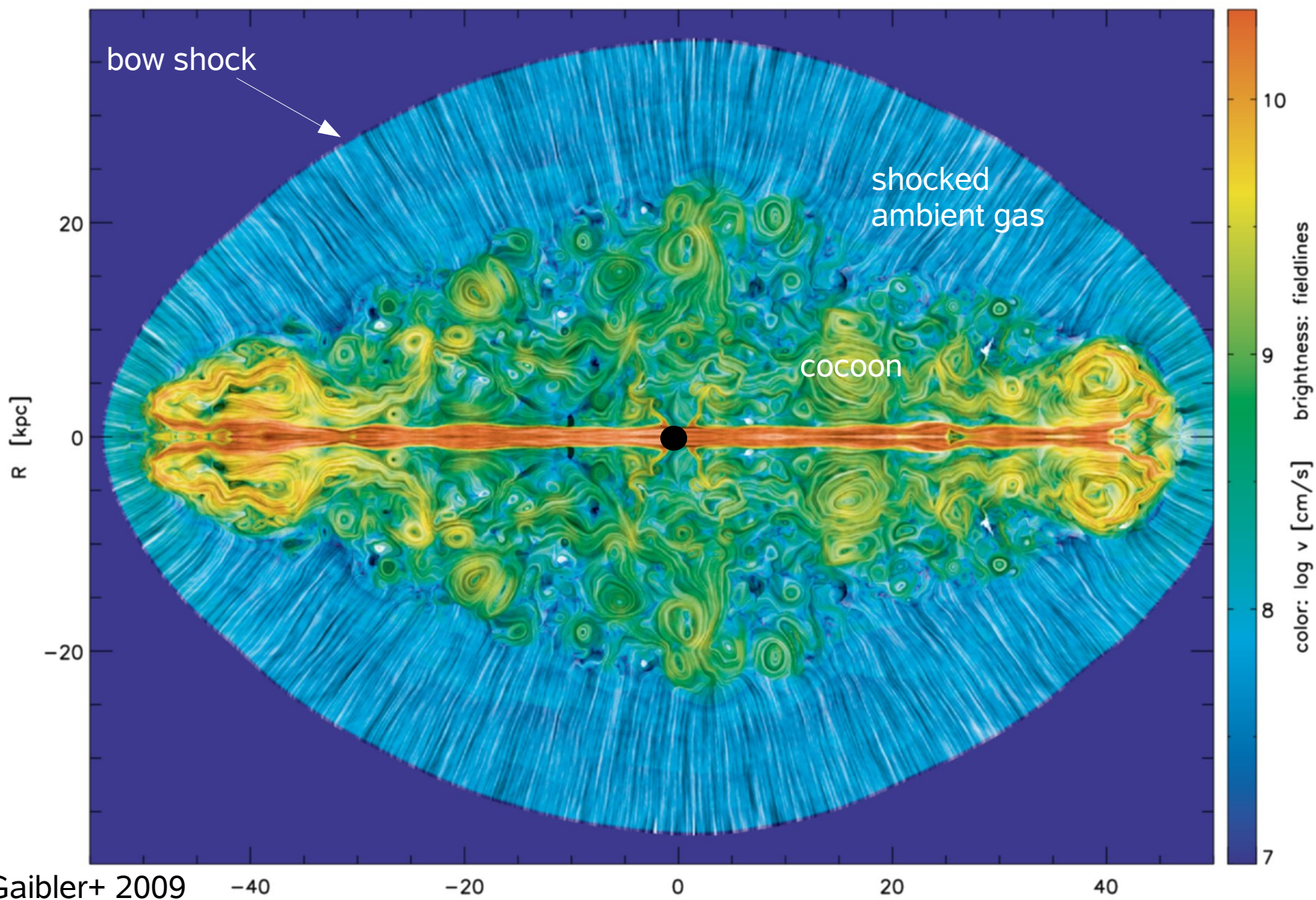
- Three aspects of feedback found:
 - **Negative** in central cavity region (gas removal)
mass drops to $\sim 50\%$
(remainder is in dense filaments)
 - **Positive** in cavity rim (ring-like shock/compression region)
Mellema+ 2002
 - **Positive** at large scales (disk embedded in an overpressured cocoon, thermal and backflow ram pressure)
- despite ablation!



Cocoon dynamics

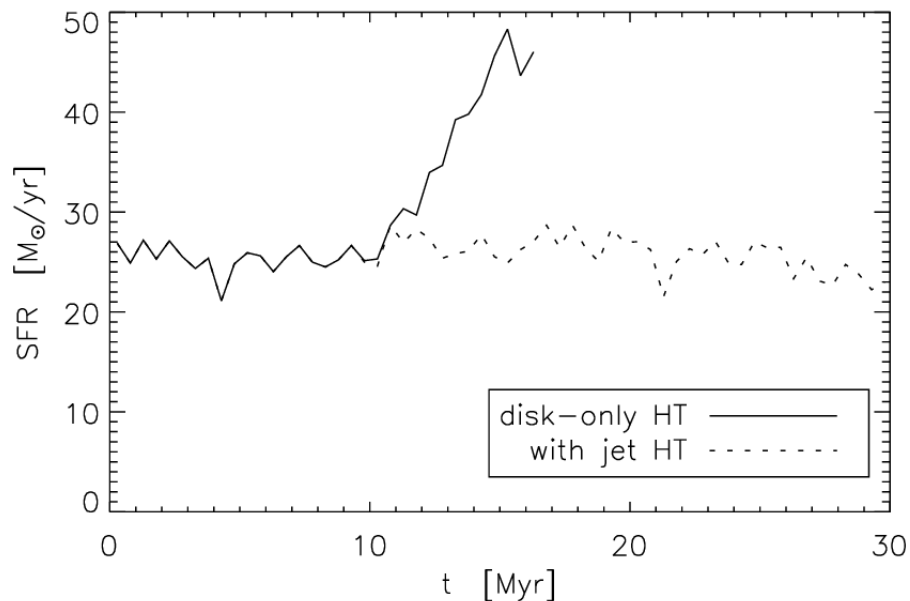


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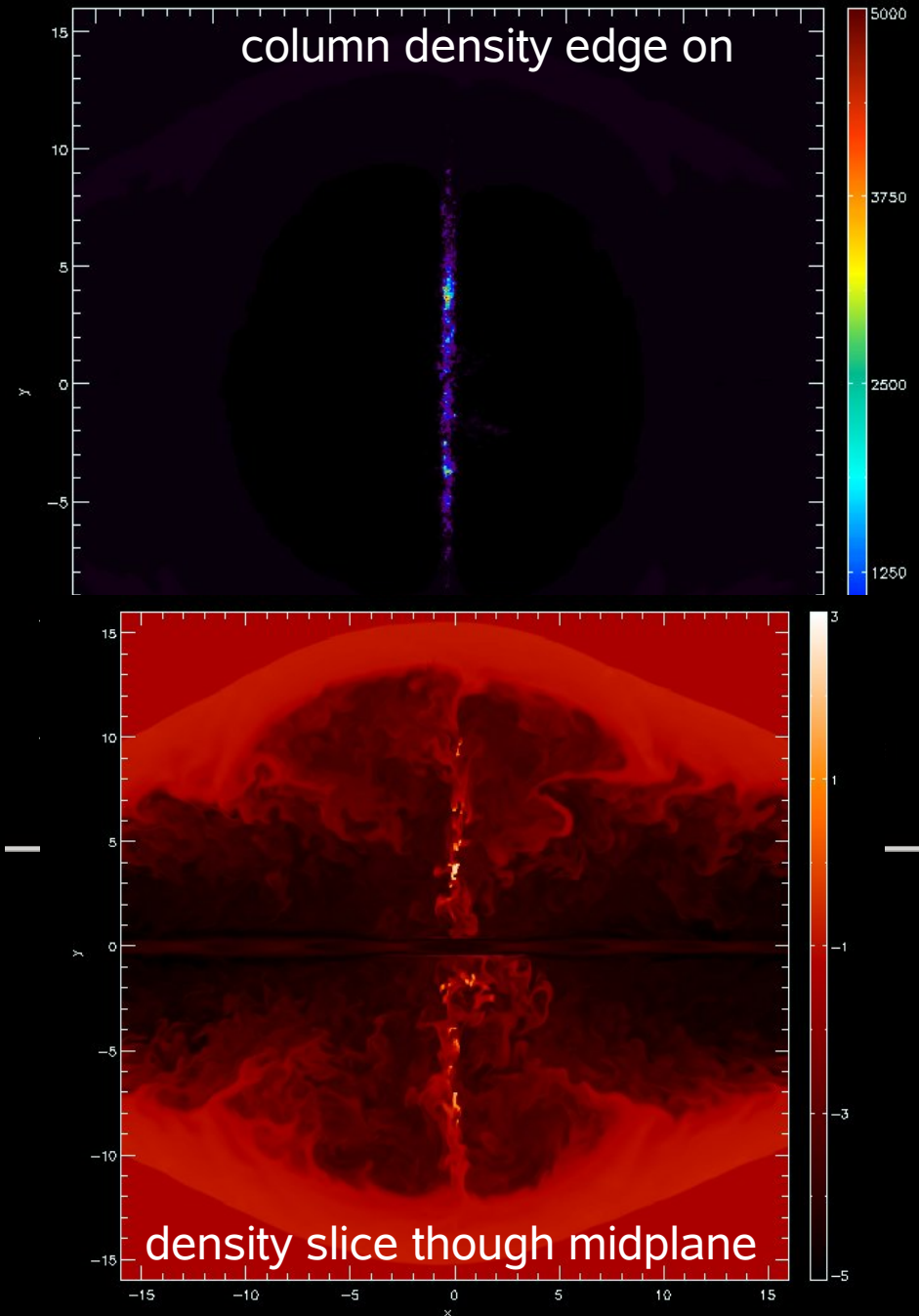


Lower gas mass, thinner disk

much thinner disk (300 pc)
smaller filling factor
gas mass is 20 x smaller



--- preliminary ---



Observational results / 1

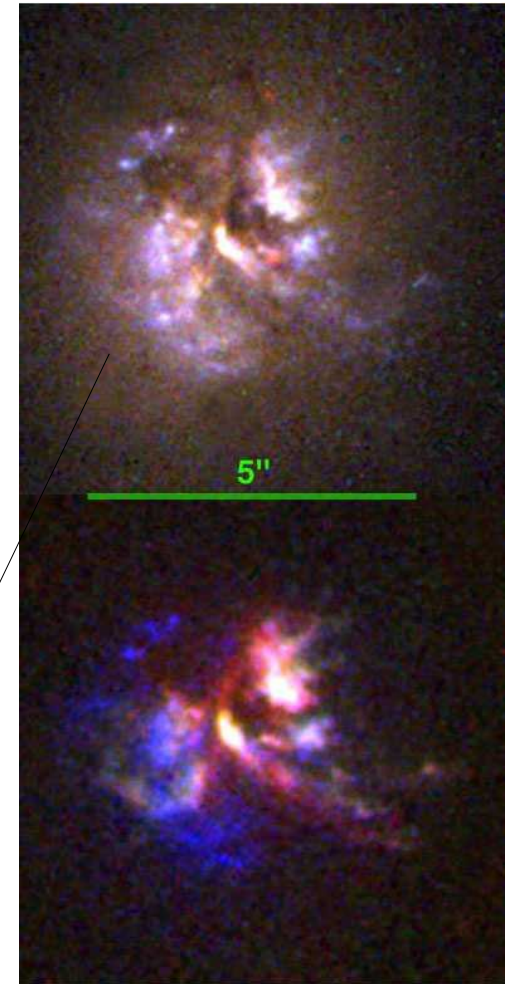
- Low redshift:
only few, due to low gas masses?

Minkowski's object (Croft+ 2006),
Cen A (Mould+ 2000, Morganti 2010)
Cygnus A: ring of young stars
(Jackson, Tadhunter, Sparks 1998)

- Higher redshift:

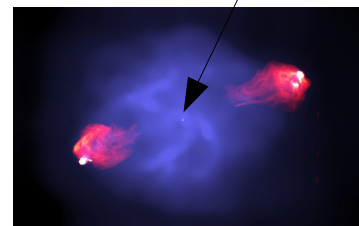
PKS2250-41 (Inskip+ 2008, $z = 0.3$),
4C 41.17 (Dey+ 1997, Bicknell 2000, $z = 3.8$)

Blue: B, green: F622W, red: F814W



Blue: B, green: [OIII], red: H α
Cyg A, R. Fosbury

radio+X-ray



Observational results / 2

- recent SF in $>75\%$ of compact radio sources
(Dicken+ 2012, $0.05 < z < 0.7$, < 15 kpc)
- young stellar populations in $z < 0.7$ radio galaxies
(Tadhunter+ 2002, Wills+ 2002, Baldi & Capetti 2008,
Tadhunter+ 2011,
in central regions: Aretxaga+ 2001)
- Holt+2007: $\sim 30\%$ of local radio galaxies have YSP detected
find considerable UV excess due to
YSP, not only nuclear activity,
 50% have ages < 0.1 Gyr,
make 1-35 % of mass

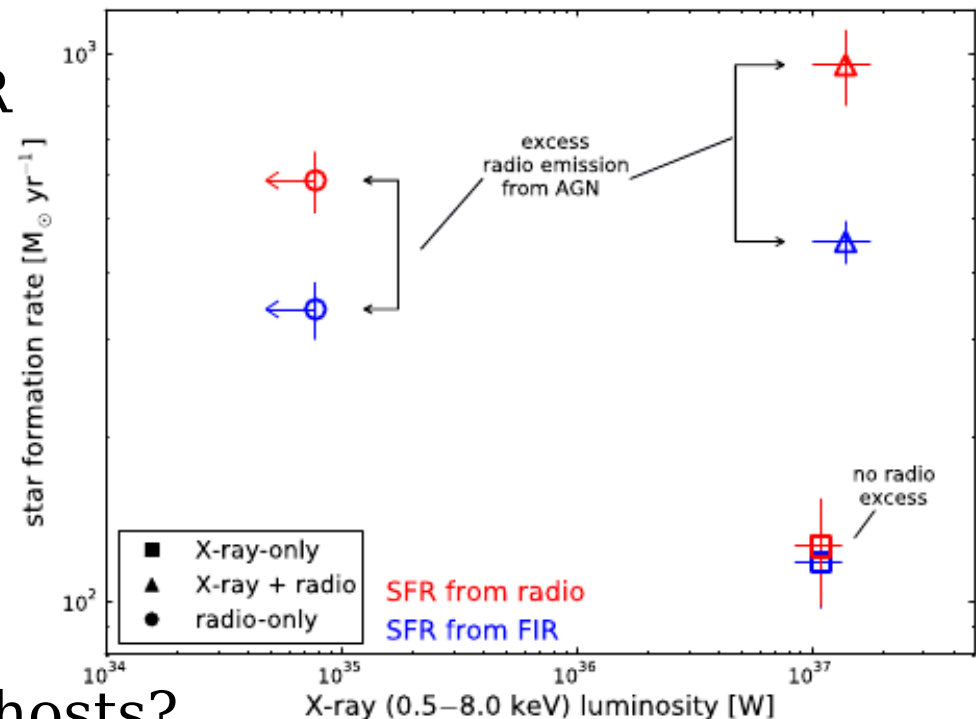
Observational results / 3

- Rovilos+ 2012:
star formation correlates with
AGN activity ($z = 0.5 \dots 4$)
- Zinn+ 2013:
>200 radio/X-ray AGN stacked,
redshifts $z = 0 \dots 4$ (avg. 2)

star formation rates from FIR
with Herschel
not contaminated by AGN

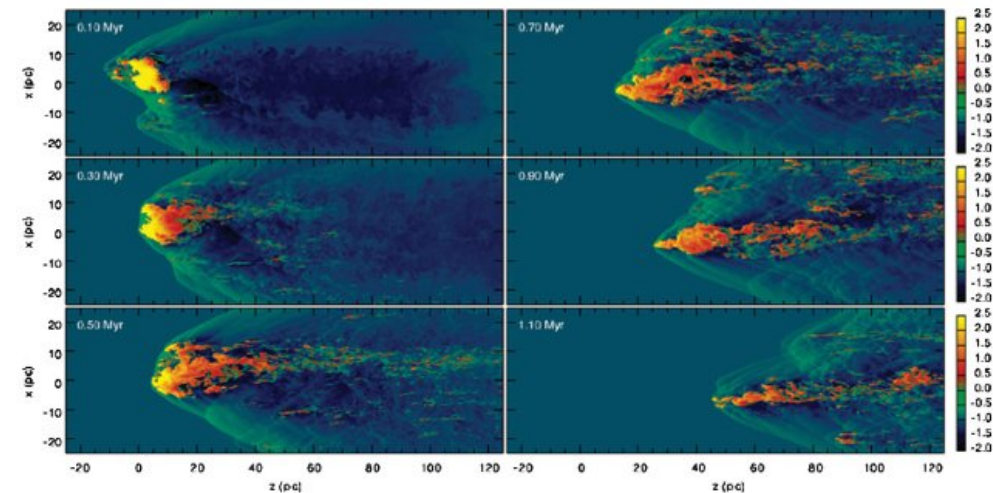
→ radio power makes the
difference in SFR, not X-ray

- increase in SFR,
what about sSFR?
Systematically more massive hosts?



Stability of the star-forming clouds

- Mellema et al. 2002:
shocked cloud breaks up, small and dense fragment survive long due to strong cooling, Jeans-unstable, SF induced
- Cooper et al. 2009:
cloud in by starburst-driven galactic wind, cools and fragments to \sim pc sized clouds
- *Estimates from our sims,*
100 pc cloud radius,
100 m_p/cm^3 fiducial:
- cloud crushing time:
 $t_{\text{crush}} = R_c / v_{\text{sh}} > 10^8 \text{ yr}$
- KH growth time in our sim:
 $t_{\text{KH}} \sim 10^5 - 10^6 \text{ yr}$



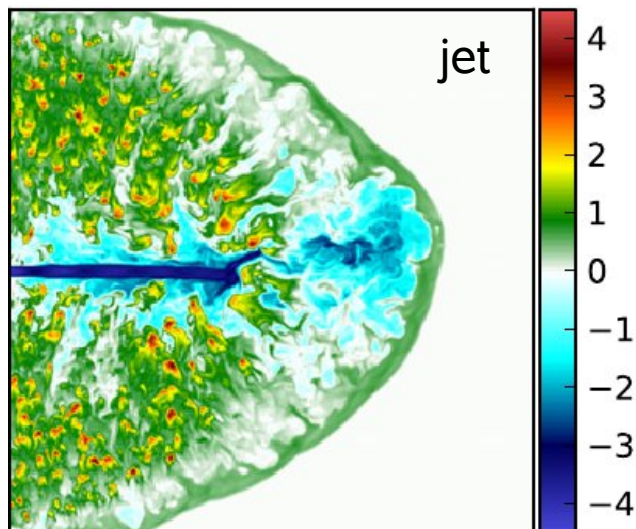
Cooper+ 2009

self-gravity stabilizes,

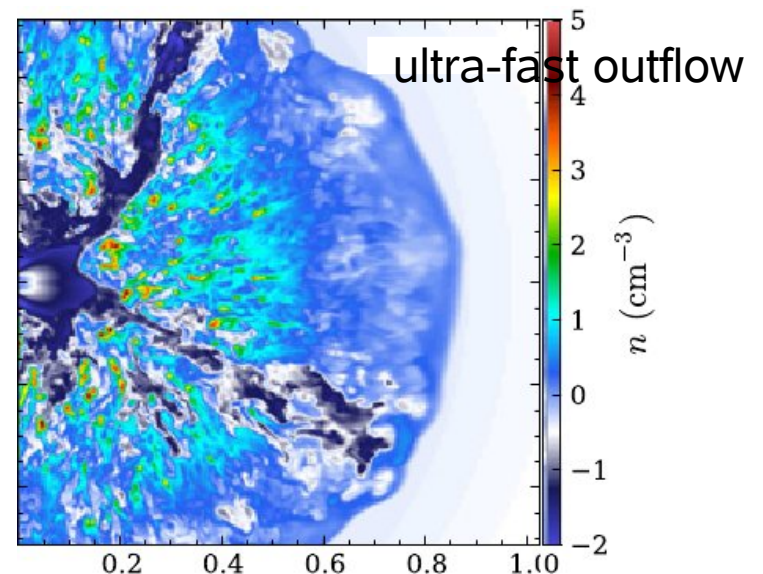
KH time increased by
magnetic fields,
less ablation?

Quasar feedback

- So far: jet feedback (collimated beam as driver, mechanical) high-power FR II vs. low-power FR I (more common)
- Quasar
 - radiation feedback (ionization, heating)
 - mechanical feedback via radiation-driven winds, BAL quasars, ultra-fast outflows (see Alex' talk)



Wagner & Bicknell 2011



Wagner et al. 2013

Quasar feedback

- Only jet feedback simulated so far –
quasar feedback might be negative, but **beware**:
 - significant fraction might go into heating
→ blastwave → similar result as for jets
 - presence of dusty torus limits the opening angle
considerably, not easy to affect much of the
gaseous disk (misalignment vs solid angle affected)

Summary

- Clumpy multi-phase structure of ISM is important:
Complex interaction of the jet with the clouds
Need more physical models for jet feedback!
- Negative feedback not so easy at galaxy scales
- Positive feedback is efficient via blastwave formation
increasing observational evidence
- Impact for galaxy evolution so far uncertain
 - long-term effects?
 - interaction / survival of self-gravitating clumps
 - more physical models necessary