

Formation of Massive Star Clusters by Fast HI Gas Collision

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Young Massive Clusters (YMC)



What is YMC ?

- Typical mass & age
 $M \sim 10^4 M_{\odot}$ $t_{\text{age}} \lesssim 100 \text{ Myr}$
- Energetic interaction with interstellar matter (Supernova, UV radiation, stellar wind)
- Many stars packed in only a few pc scale

We don't know high density star formation mechanism

✓ YMC



$M \sim 10^4 M_{\odot}$
 $R \sim \text{pc}$

✓ Solar neighborhood



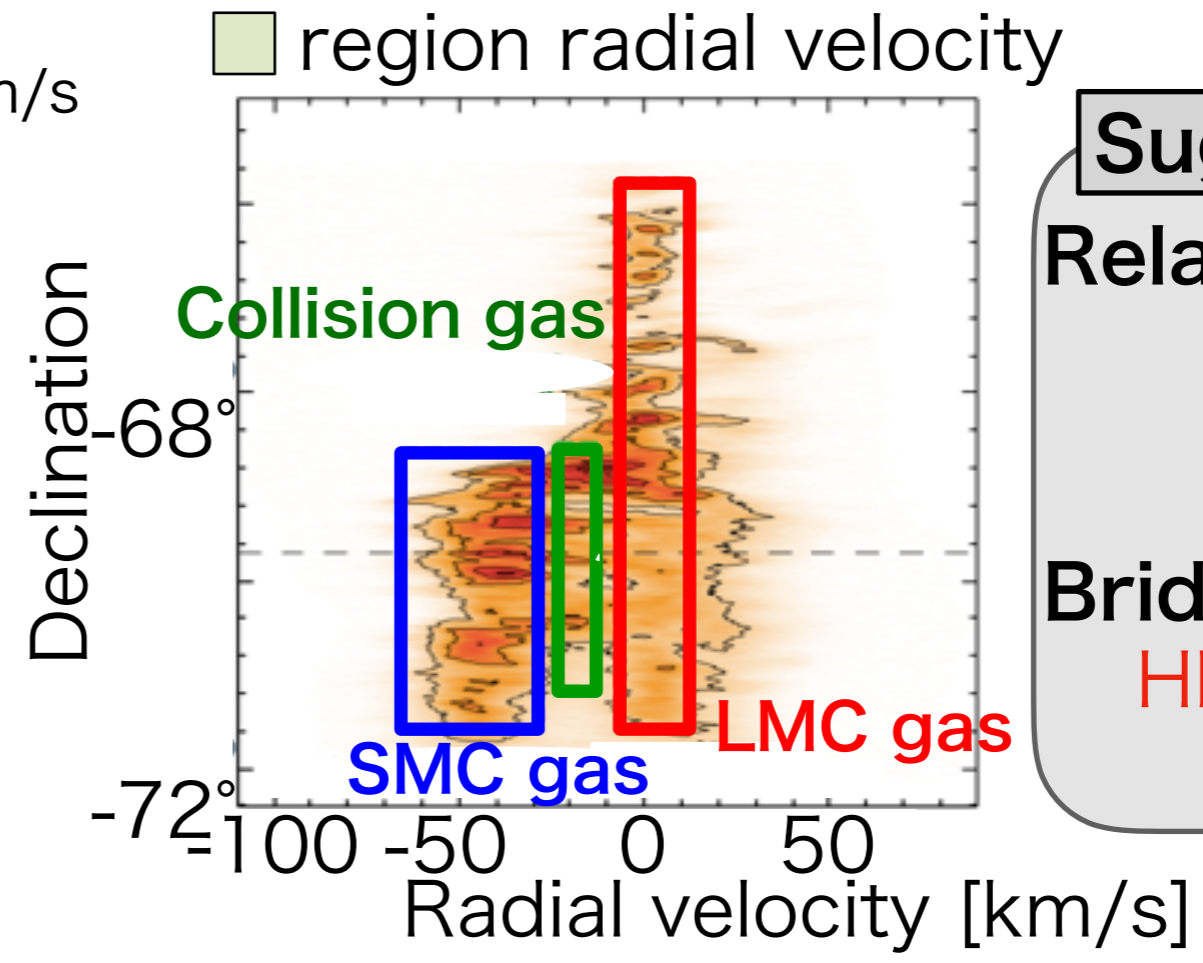
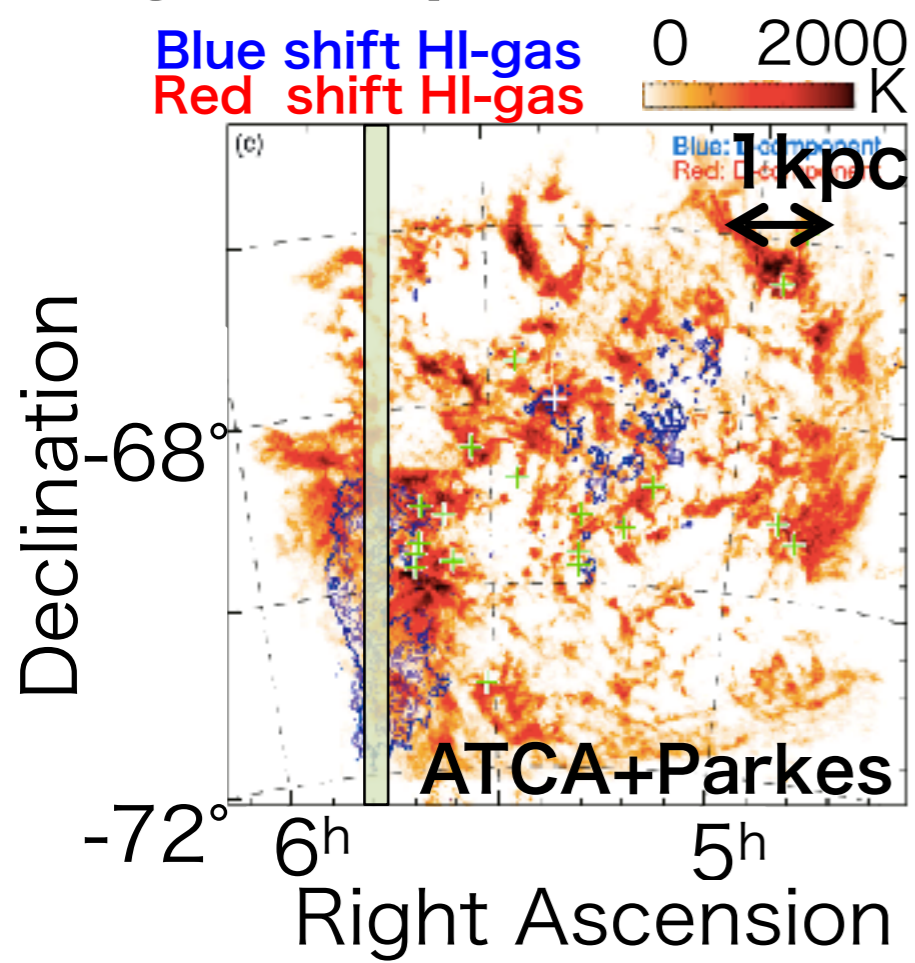
Nearest star
 $\sim \text{pc}$

Recent observation suggest YMC formation
 by fast HI gas collision

Fukui et al. (2017), Tsuge et al. (2109)

Massive Star Cluster is Found in HI Gas Colliding Region

HI-gas map @LMC Fukui et al. (2017), Tsuge et al. (2019)

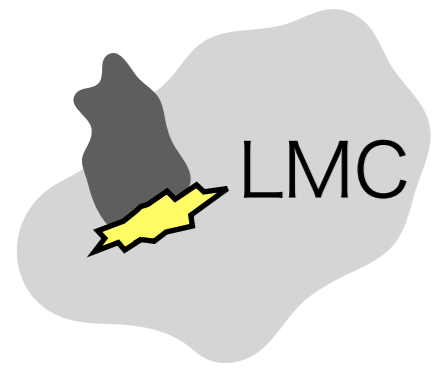


Suggestion

Relative velocity
~ 100 [km/s]
Super sonic

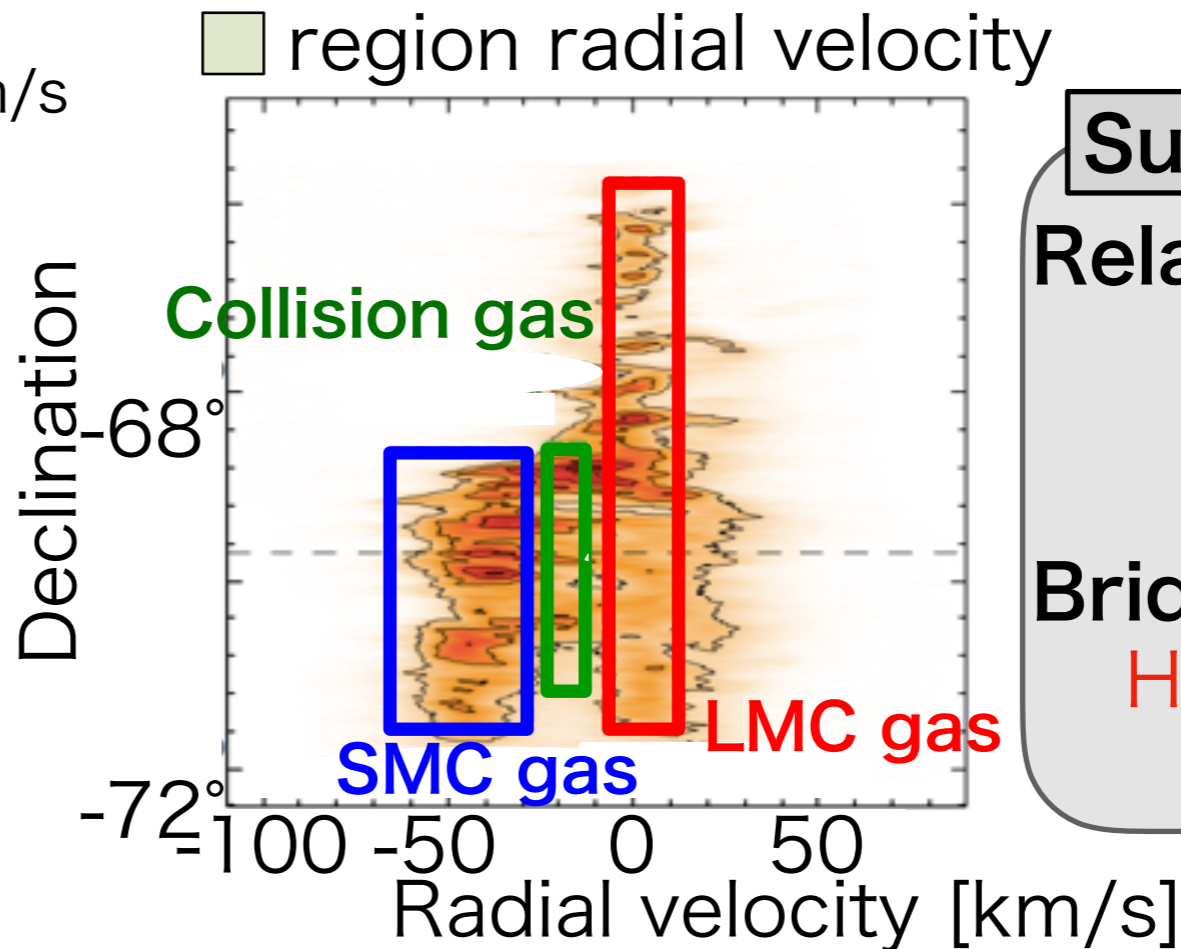
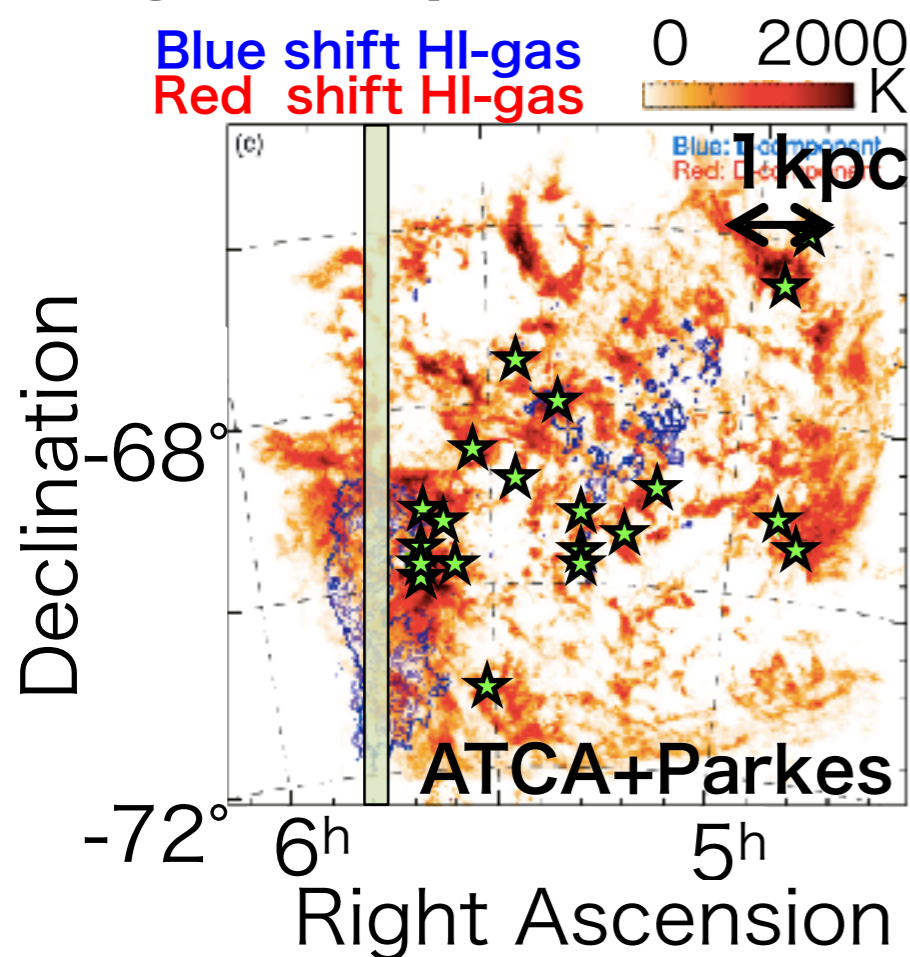
Bridge feature
HI gas Collision

Situation



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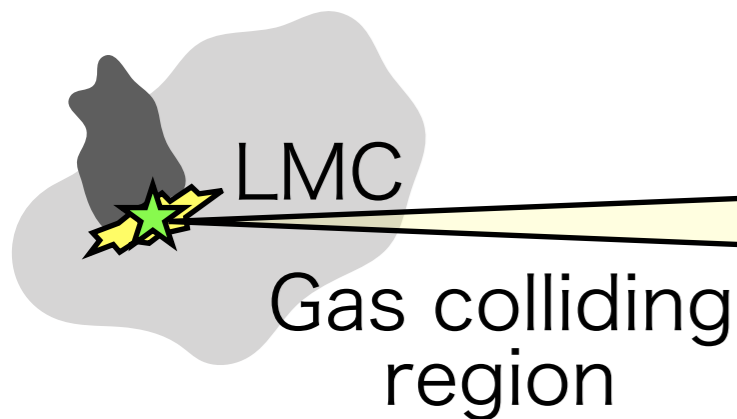


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YMCs in active star forming regions: ★

ex) > R136 (YMC)



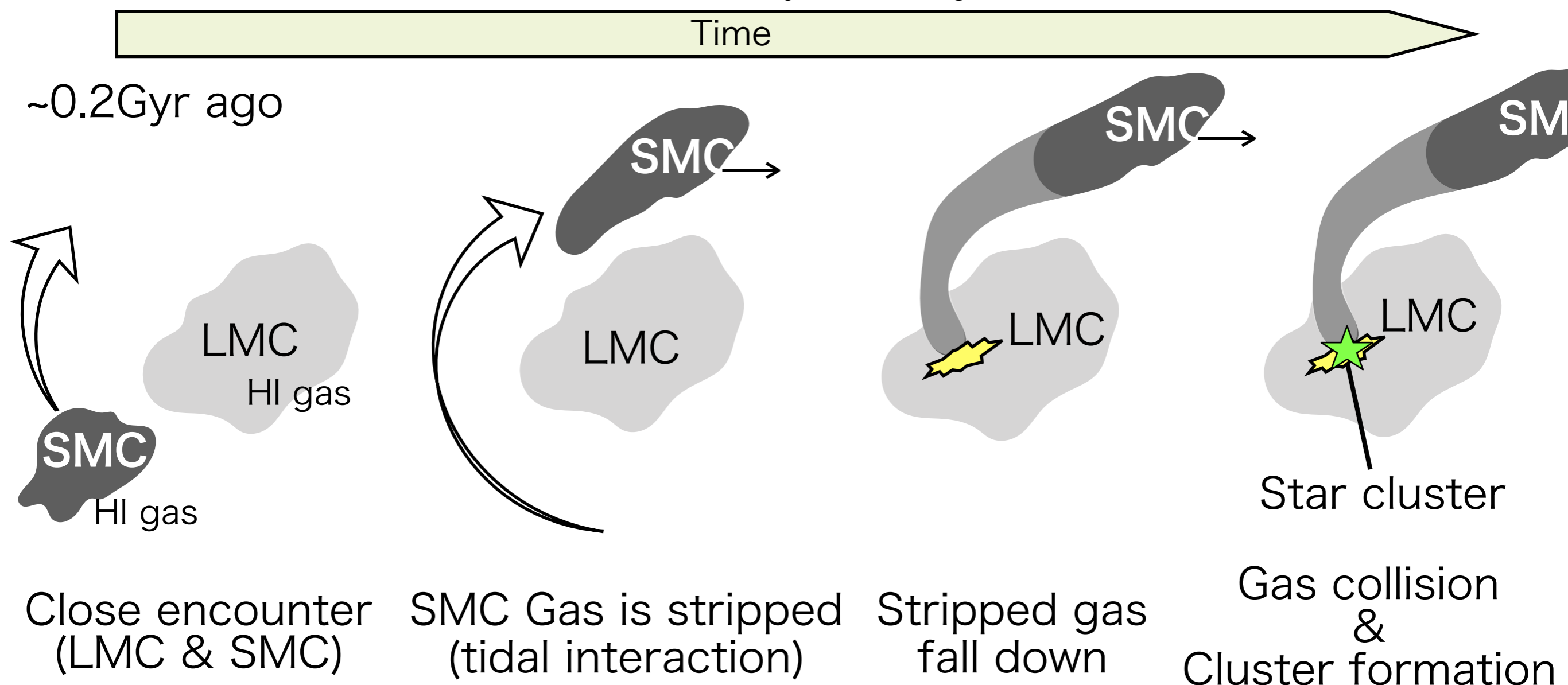
$M \sim 10^5 M_{\odot}$ + N44...

$R \sim 5 \text{ pc}$

YMCs are formed at gas colliding region

Cluster Formation Scenario

Close Encounter of LMC & SMC Fujimoto & Noguchi(1990) Bekki & Chiba(2007)



Fukui et al. (2017)

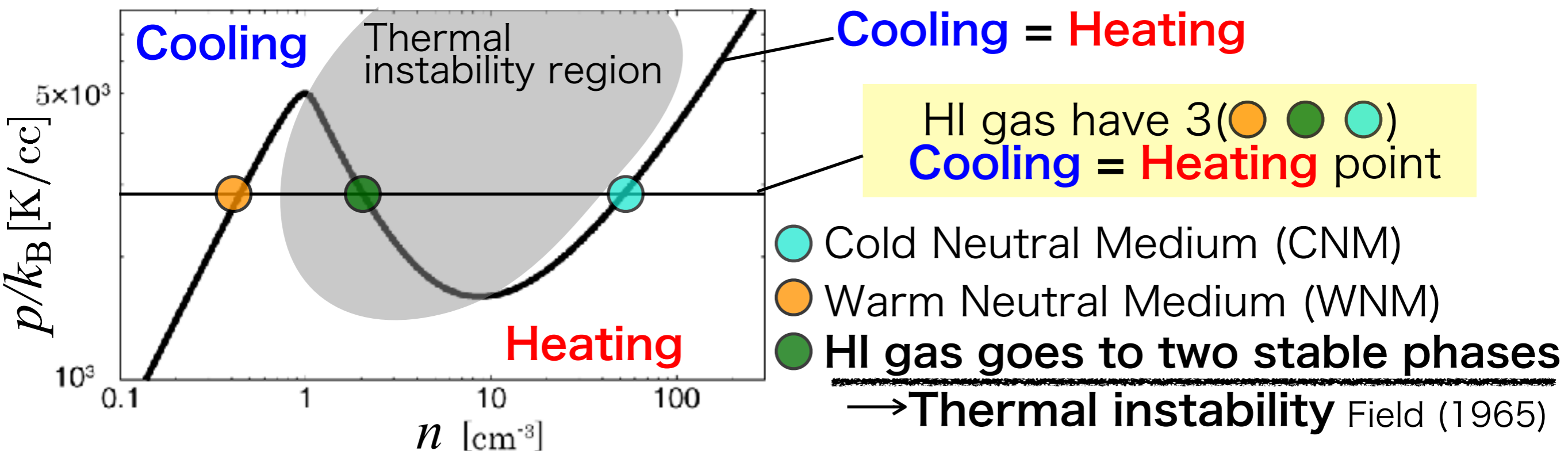
Suggestions

- HI gas falls down due to **close encounter of LMC & SMC**
- Fast (~100km/s) **HI gas collision** occur @LMC
- **Massive Star clusters are formed** in HI gas colliding region

We check this part using computer simulation

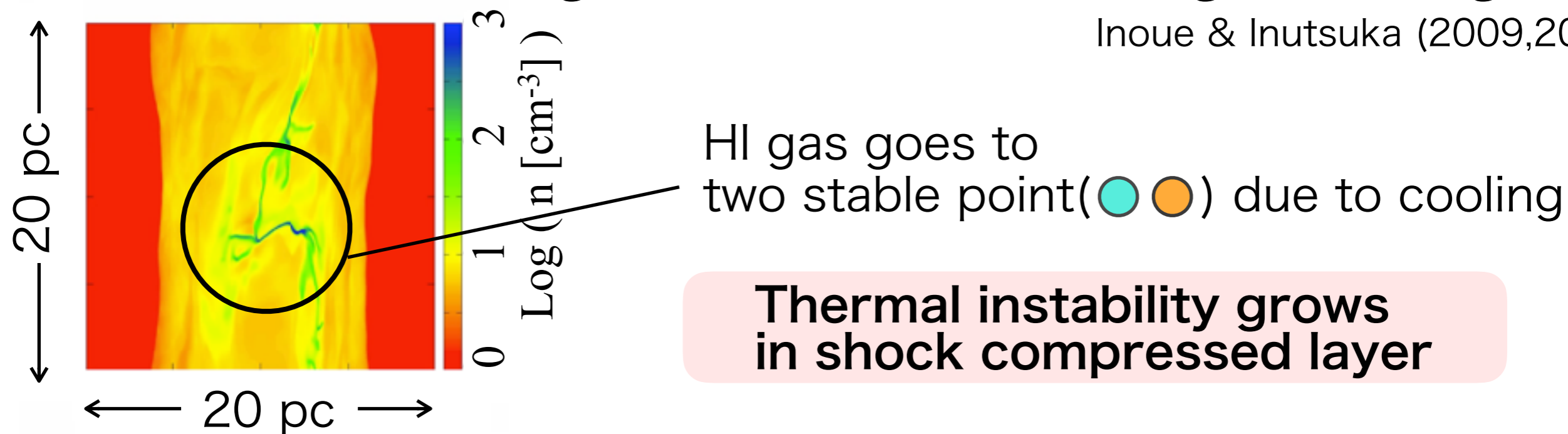
Cooling & Heating in The Interstellar Medium

Thermal equilibrium curve Wolfire(1995)

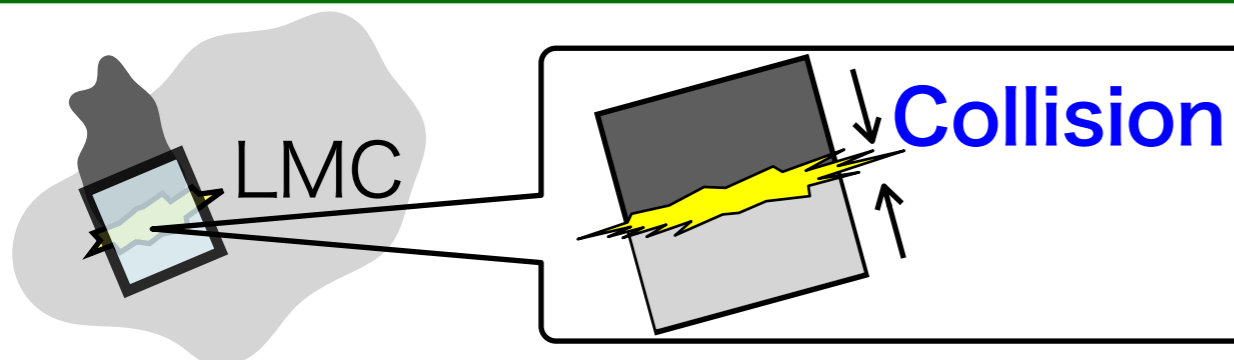


MHD simulation of HI gas collision with cooling & heating

Inoue & Inutsuka (2009,2016)

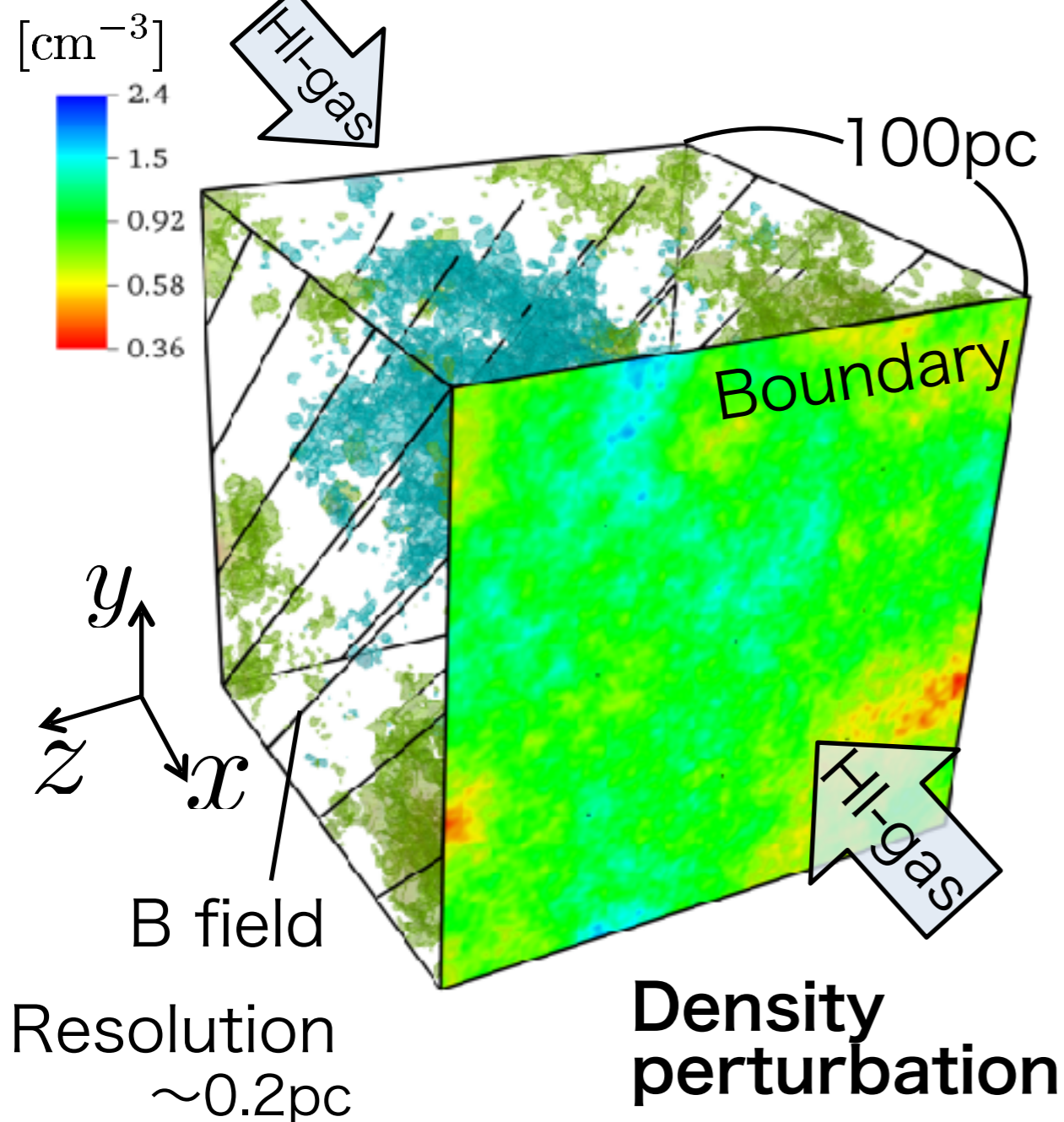


Simulation Setup (Fast HI Gas Collision)



We focus on local colliding region
→ Computer simulation

Initial density



Basic equations

Ideal MHD + Heating & Cooling
+ Heat Conduction + Self Gravity

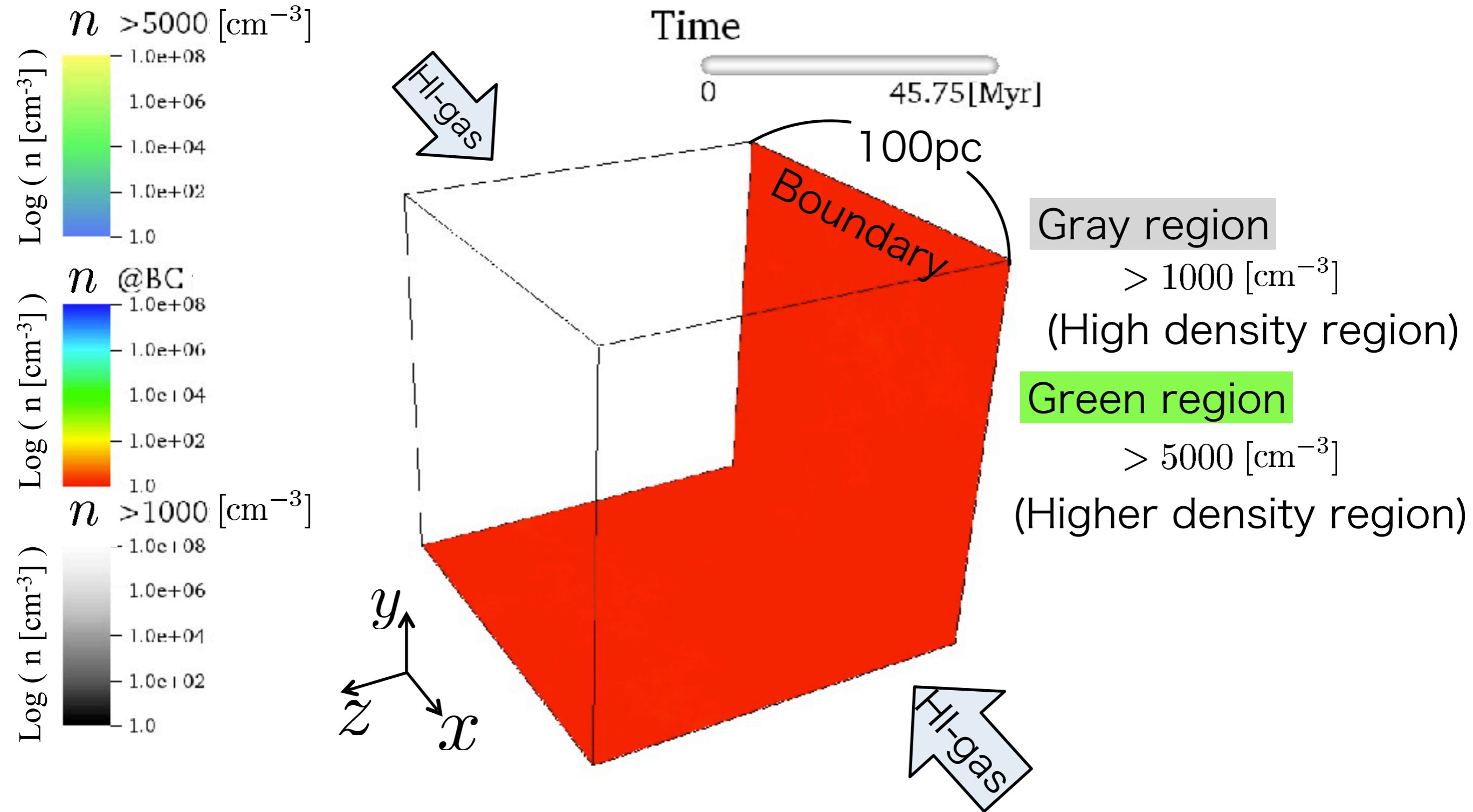
Boundary conditions

x - y Plane Continuous HI gas inflow
 y - x z - y z - x z - y z - x surface Periodic Boundary

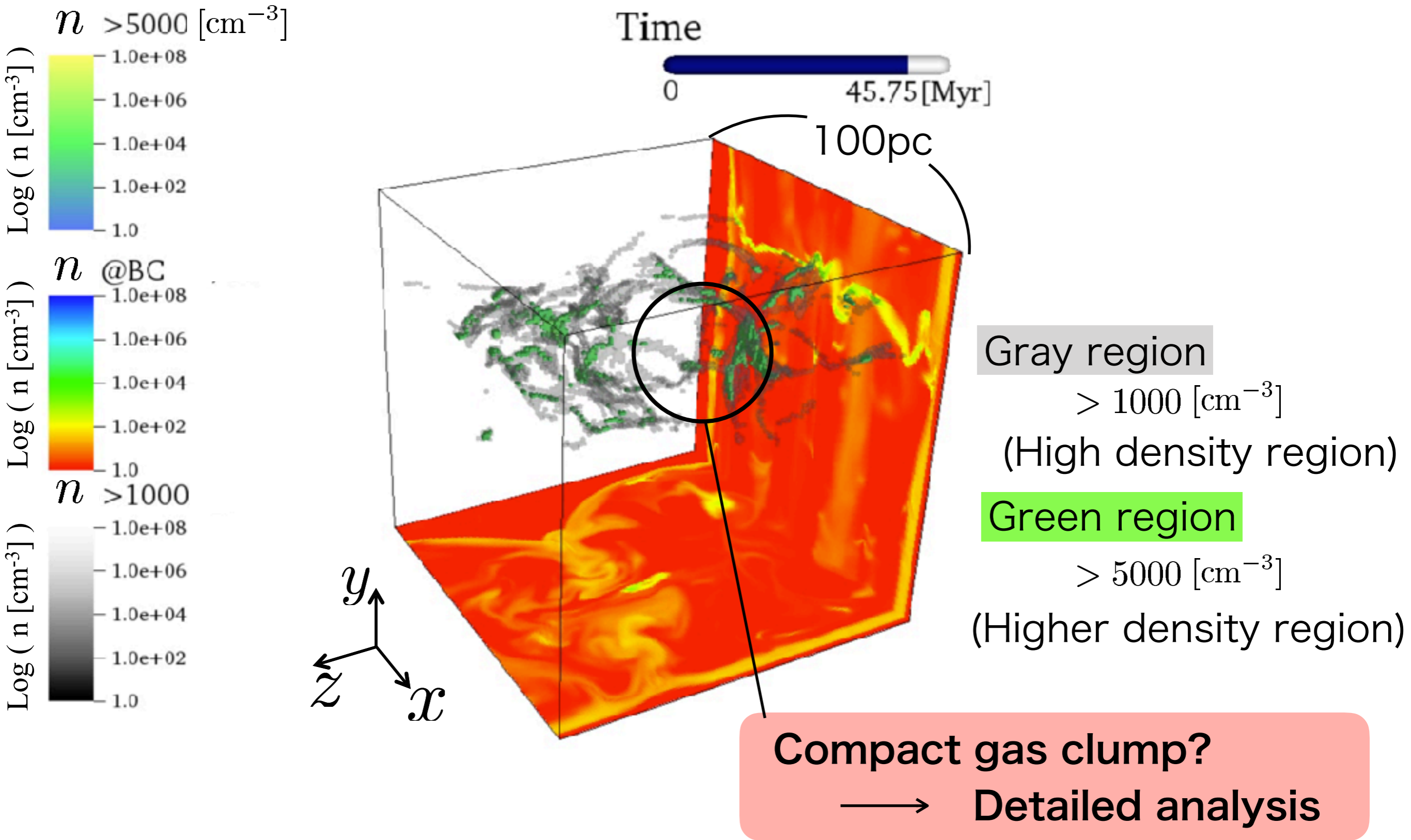
Initial conditions

$v_{\text{rel}} = 100 \text{ km/s}$: relative velocity
 $n_0 \sim 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$: number density
 $B_0 = 1, 3 \mu\text{G}$: magnetic field
 $Z = 1, 0.2 Z_{\odot}$: metallicity

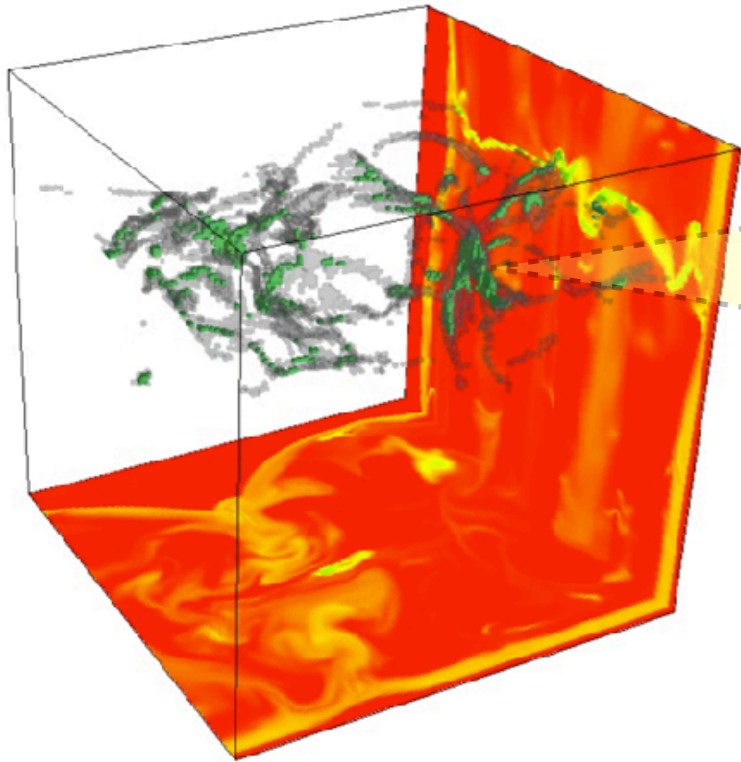
Simulation Result (Fast HI Gas Collision)



Massive Clumps are formed @Shocked region



Gas clump in shock compressed layer



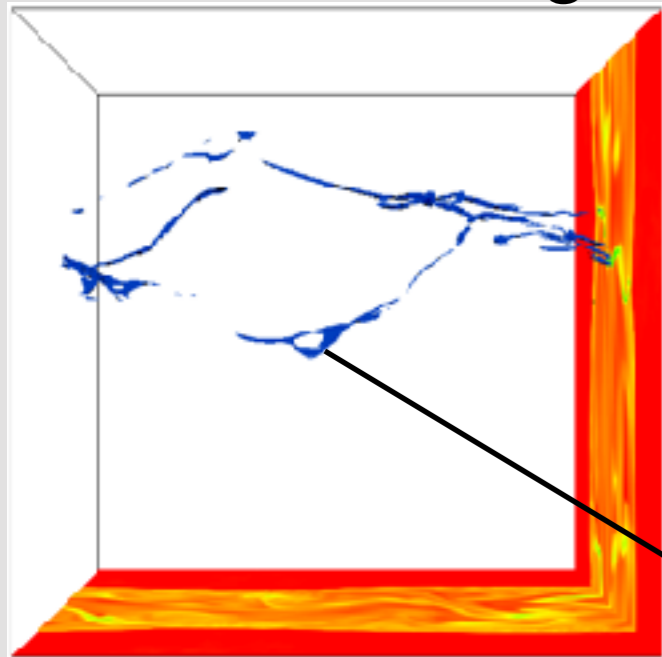
What is the gas that forms the star cluster?

Gas needs to be packed into a compact area before star formation occurs

- We identify dense gas clumps
- Is star formation is occurring at the clump

Dense clumps are identified by friend-of-friend algorithm

Trace dense region

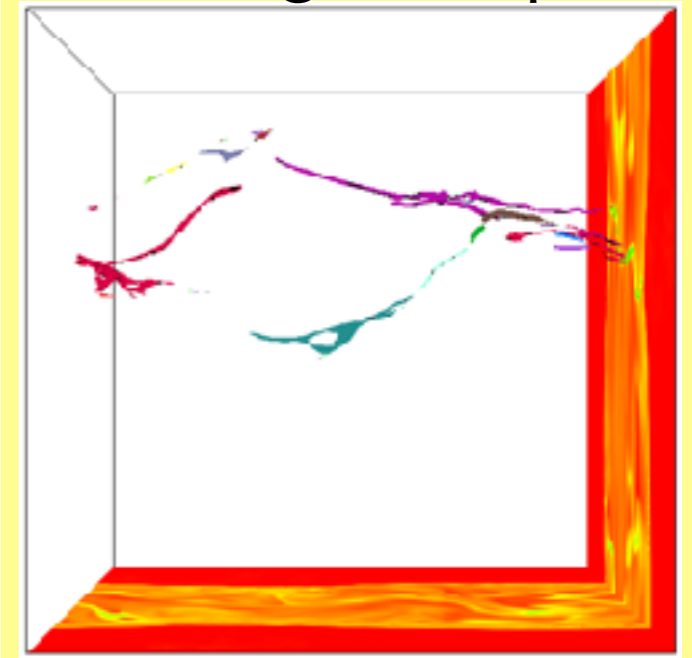


• Density threshold
 $10^2, 10^{2.5}, 10^3, 10^{3.5}, 10^4$
 $[\text{cm}^{-3}]$

$$n_{\text{th}} = 10^4 [\text{cm}^{-3}]$$

Labeling

Labeling clumps



Color...Different clumps

Cluster forming clump

Analysis for identified clumps

Statistically estimation of stellar mass (resolution ~ 0.2 pc)

➤ Estimation of clump's SFR (Star Forming Rate)

...Gas becomes star at free fall time

$$\dot{M} = \int_{\text{lab}} f_{\text{SFE}} \frac{\rho}{t_{\text{ff}}} dV$$

f_{SFE} Star Formation Efficiency
 t_{ff} Free Fall time

We assume $f_{\text{SFE}} = 5\%$

➤ Estimation of stellar mass

...How many stars are formed in the clump during dynamical time

$$M_{\text{star}} = \dot{M} \frac{L}{\Delta v} \quad M_{\text{gas}} = \int_{\text{lab}} \rho dV$$

t_{dy}

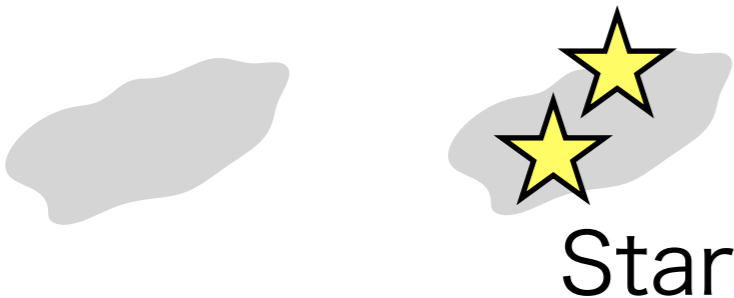
L : length scale
 Δv : velocity dispersion

Cluster forming clumps are identified when $M_{\text{star}} \sim M_{\text{gas}}$



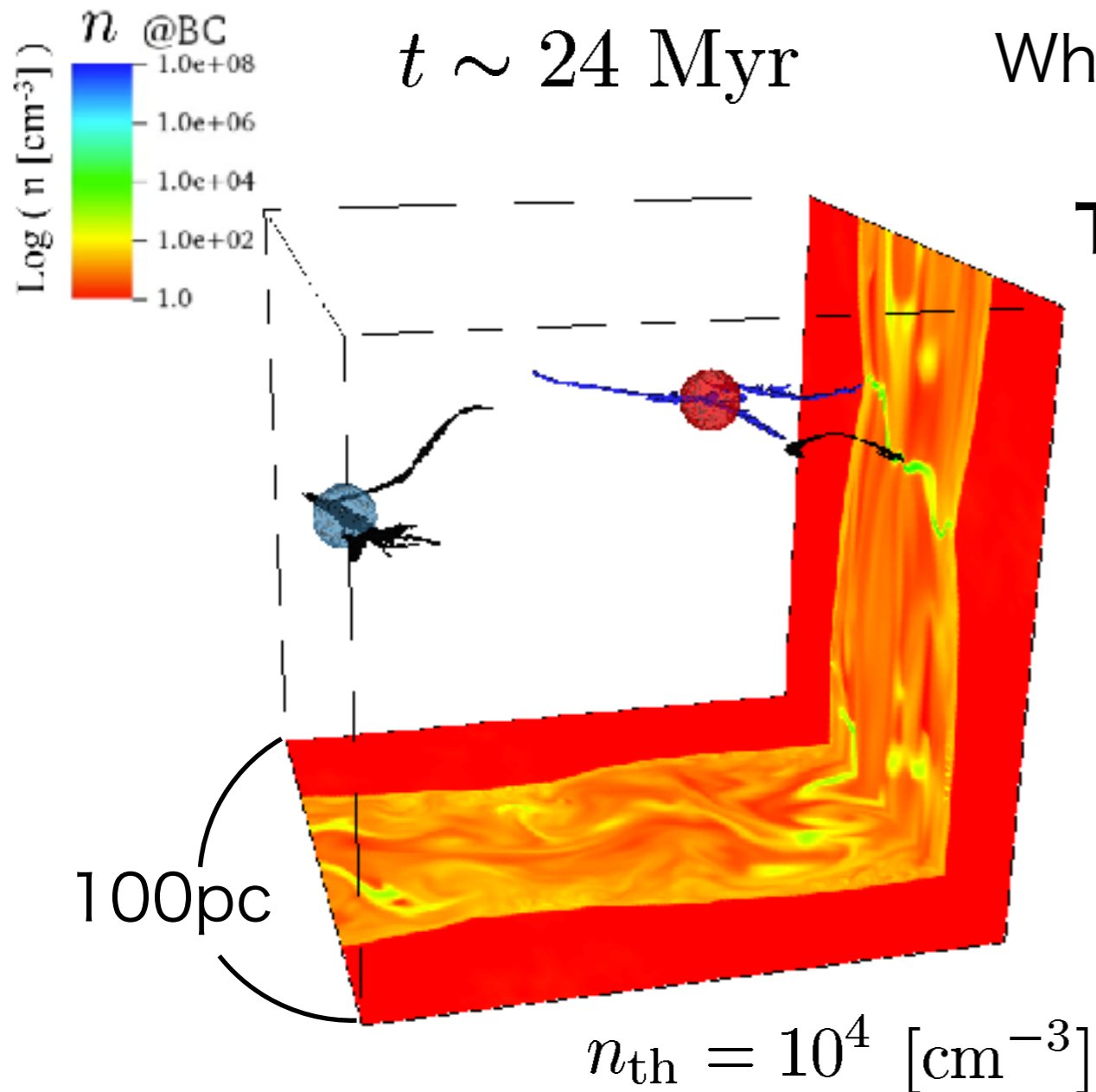
Clump

Star formation?
@ t_{dy}



Star

Result : Massive Cluster Forming Clumps



Two massive clumps are identified

Blue region

$$M \sim 2.8 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$$

$$L \sim 4 \text{ pc}$$

Black region

$$M \sim 1.8 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$$

$$L \sim 4 \text{ pc}$$

**Massive compact cluster forming clumps
can be formed @shock compressed layer**

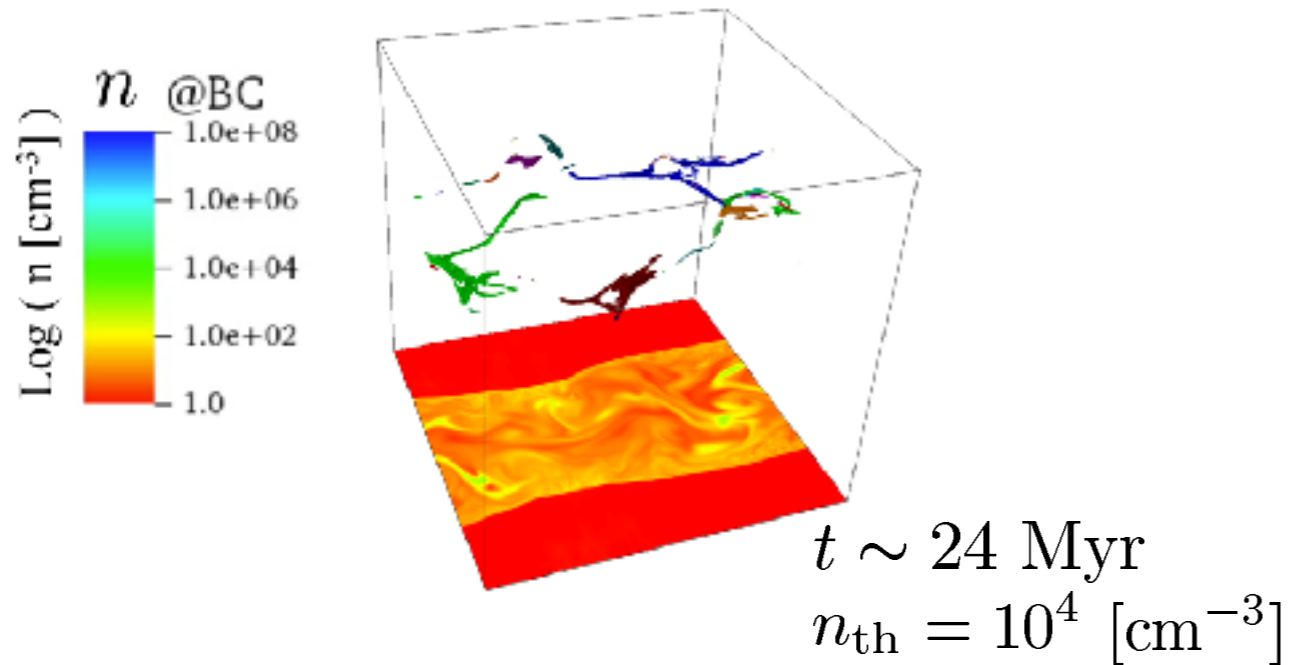
(YMC mass : $M \sim 10^4 M_{\odot}$)

→ Parameter search (metallicity , B-field , collision speed ...)

Low metal simulation

※LMC:1/3 , SMC:1/10 Z_{\odot}

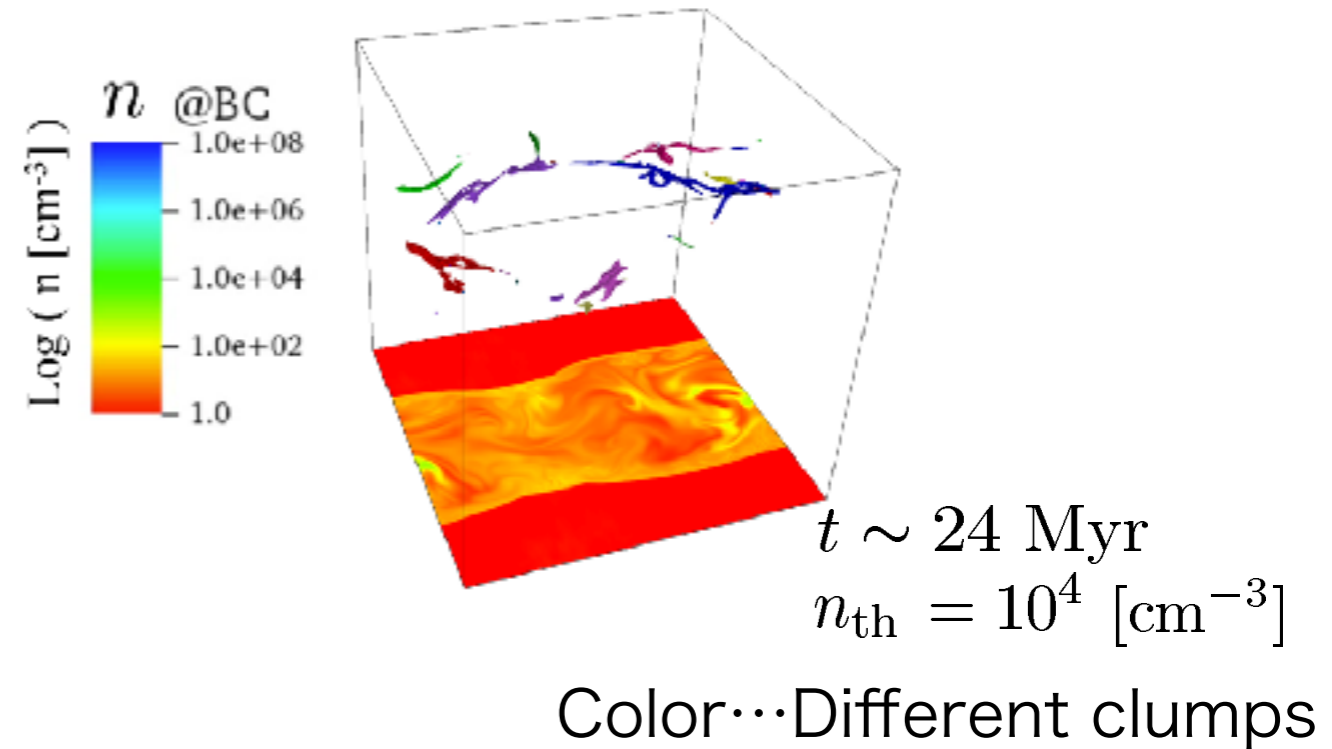
Solar metallicity



Most massive clump

$$M \sim 2.8 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$$

One fifth of solar metallicity



Most massive clump

$$M \sim 3.4 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$$

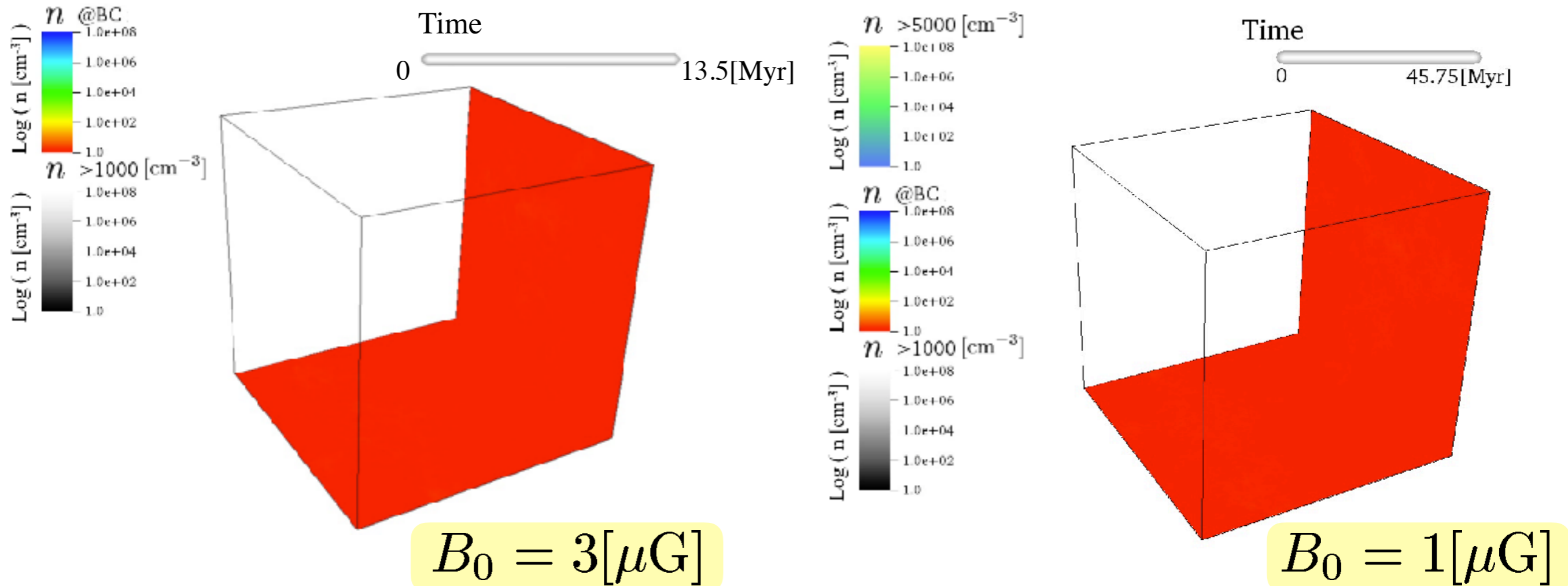
Cluster mass was found to be less dependent on metallicity

$$t_{\text{cool}} \simeq 0.4 \text{ Myr} (Z/Z_{\odot})^{-1} n_1^{-3/2} (p/k_B)_5^{1/2} \times \exp \left[10^{-2} T_{\text{line},2} n_1 (p/k_B)_5^{-1} \right]$$

Inoue & Omukai (2014)

※ $n_1 = n/1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $(p/k_B)_5 = (p/k_B) / 10^5 \text{ K cm}^{-3}$ $T_{\text{line},2} = T_{\text{line}} / 100 \text{ K}$

Strong B-field simulation



When the magnetic field was strong, it was found that high density clumps were not formed

→ Clumps can't be formed because B-field at shock compressed layer is strong

Summary & Future Work

Summary

LMC observation suggests that
massive star clusters were formed by HI gas collision

We modeled massive star cluster formation
using MHD simulation with heating, cooling & self-gravity

Massive compact cluster forming cores ($M \gtrsim 10^4 M_\odot$, $L \sim 4\text{pc}$)
are formed in shock compressed layer

Future work

Parameter survey will be done by future work
(metallicity , B-field , collision speed ...)

Lagrangian dynamics of clumps will be studied (Test particles)