Rotating first stars: A theoretician perspective

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Metallicity effects on stellar evolution







More compact stars

- → bluer
- → more luminous

- Z ≠ 0: CNO-cycle from start Z = 0: pp-chains first
- Z ≠ 0: strong contraction after MS Z = 0: almost no

structural changes

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Winds of massive stars

precise mechanism not at reach in 1D codes

implemented through prescriptions of rates

de Jager+ 1988; Nieuwenhuijzen & de Jager 1990; Kudritzki+ 1987; Kudritzki & Puls 2000; Vink+ 2000 2001 2011; Bestenlehner 2020; Björklund+ 2021; Reimers 1975; van Loon+ 2005; Beasor+ 2020; Kee+ 2021; Nugis & Lamers 2000; Gröfener & Hamann 2007

often narrow validity domain: → switch from one to another

wind clumping? How much?

steady state vs outbursts: in models, always averaged rates



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Winds of massive stars

key ingredient for massive stars evolution

even a slight change during a limited time modifies the outcome and the endpoint

comparisons between obs and models for massive star is rather a check for \dot{M} than anything else!





Mass loss

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Low-Z mass loss

- lower radiative winds scaling ~ Z^{0.85} (uncertain at low Z or advanced stages)
- different position in HRD
- difficult to form WR stars with single star scenario

models from Ekström+ 2012; Georgy+ 2013; Groh+ 2019





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Rotating massive stars

Two competing processes for the surface velocity evolution:

- MASS LOSS

 deceleration of the surface
- TRANSPORT
 → core-envelope coupling



The net result is a complex combination of the two



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Metallicity effects on internal transport

weaker meridional circulation

steeper Ω -gradient \rightarrow stronger shear

shorter diffusion time: $t_{\text{diff}} \propto \frac{R^2}{D}$





less winds

less transport

compact star:

→ same angular momentum content leads to more rapid surface rotation

models from Ekström+ 2012; Georgy+ 2013; Groh+ 2019; Murphy+ 2021







homogeneous evolution: solution to produce WR stars?





Diffusion of C from core to shell CNO flash in the shell \rightarrow N production

N back in the He-b core \rightarrow ²²Ne \rightarrow *s*-process (Frischknecht+ 2012)







¹⁴N production in Pop III



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Massive binary stars

70% of O-stars could be binaries Sana+ 2012





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Metallicity effects on binarity



compactness, rotation

RLOF less probable

less efficient RLOF mass transfer at low Z Götberg+ 2018



Binarity contribution to reionisation

stripped stars emit ionising photons

non negligible contribution at later times than massive stars

beware: the effect of rotation not taken into account

rotation: homogeneous evolution during MS → long duration for ionising emission

real Pop III: stay blue from ZAMS to end of core He-b





• big gap between low-Z and Pop III

rotation effects very strong

• binary effects only for extremely close systems

• is low-Z (< Z_{IZwi18 analogs}) possible?

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