

Massive stars at low Z

Grids of CMFGEN models



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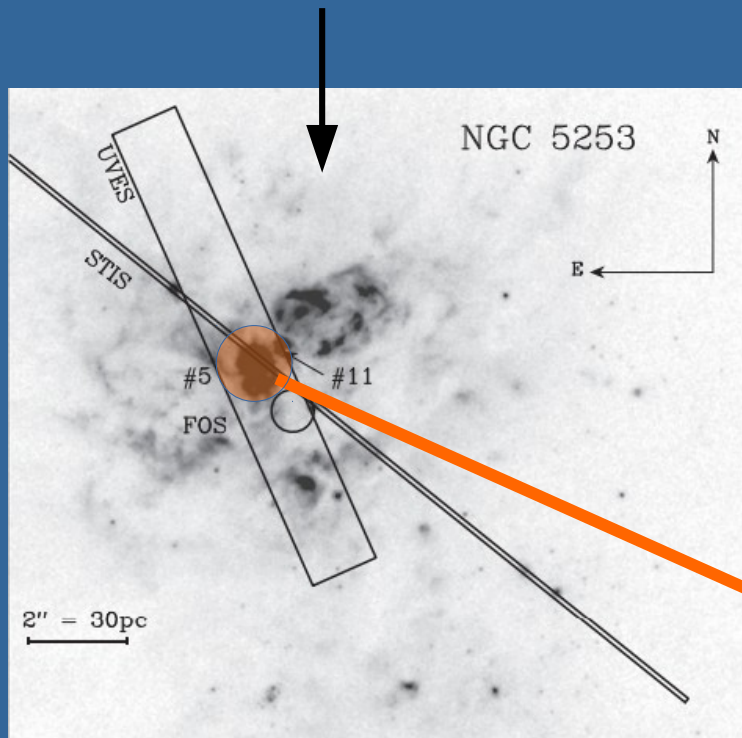
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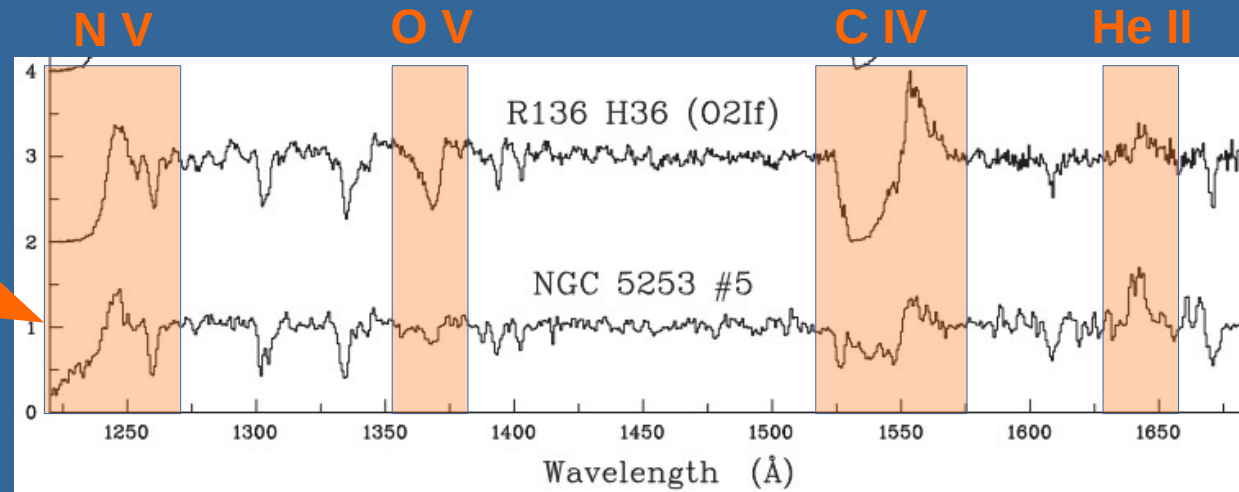
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Massive stars

- Mass $M > 9 M_{\odot}$
- Extremely rare (IMF)
- High luminosities ($10^4 - 10^6 L_{\odot}$) and high temperatures ($T_{\text{eff}} \sim 20\,000 - 50\,000\text{ K}$)
- Intense stellar winds
- Big impact on the their host galaxies



Blue compact dwarf galaxy $\sim 3\text{ Mpc}$ (Smith+16)



Massive stars and their winds

Massive Stars

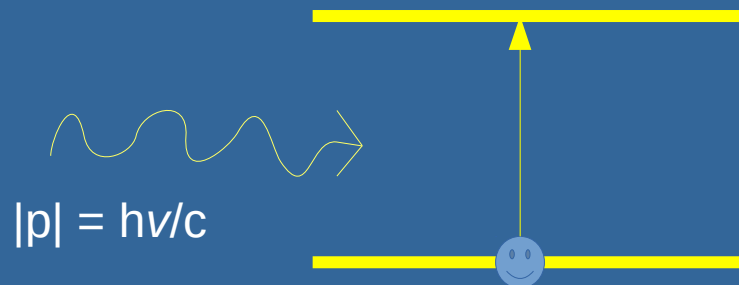
- Mass-loss rates $10^{-9} - 10^{-5} M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$; wind speeds $\sim 1000 - 3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
- Evolution severely impacted (see e.g., Ekström+12)
- Nature of the outflow:

Line driven winds – **metals (CNO+Fe+Si, etc.)**

$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p - \frac{GM\rho}{r^2} \hat{r} + \sum_i \vec{F}_i = -\nabla p - \frac{GM\rho}{r^2} \hat{r} + \vec{f}_{\text{rad}}$$

Several thousands of transitions absorbing UV radiation

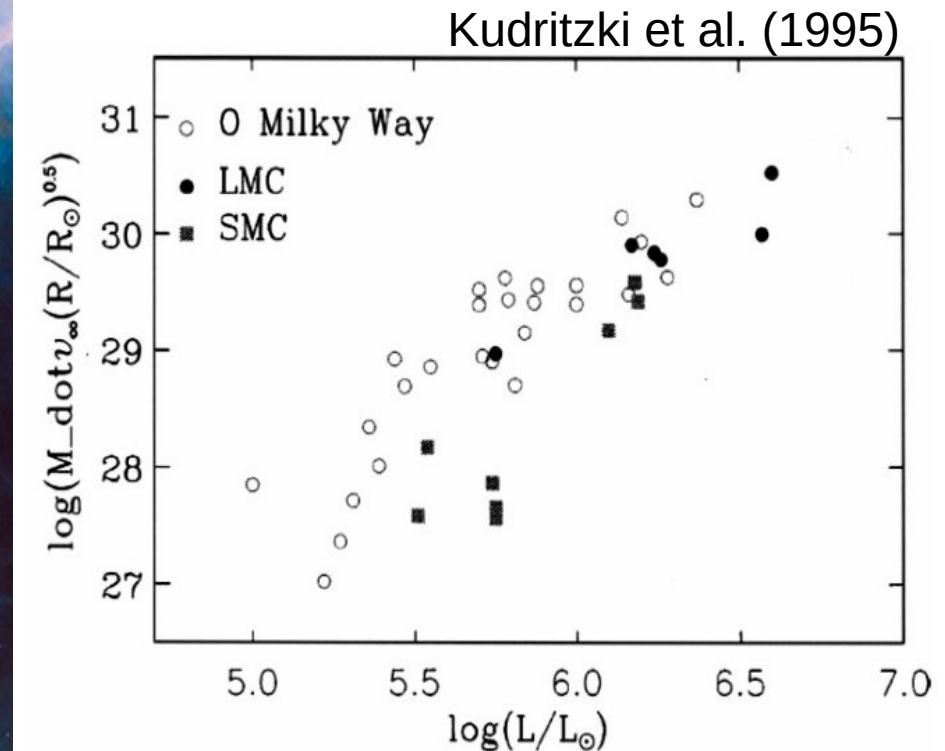
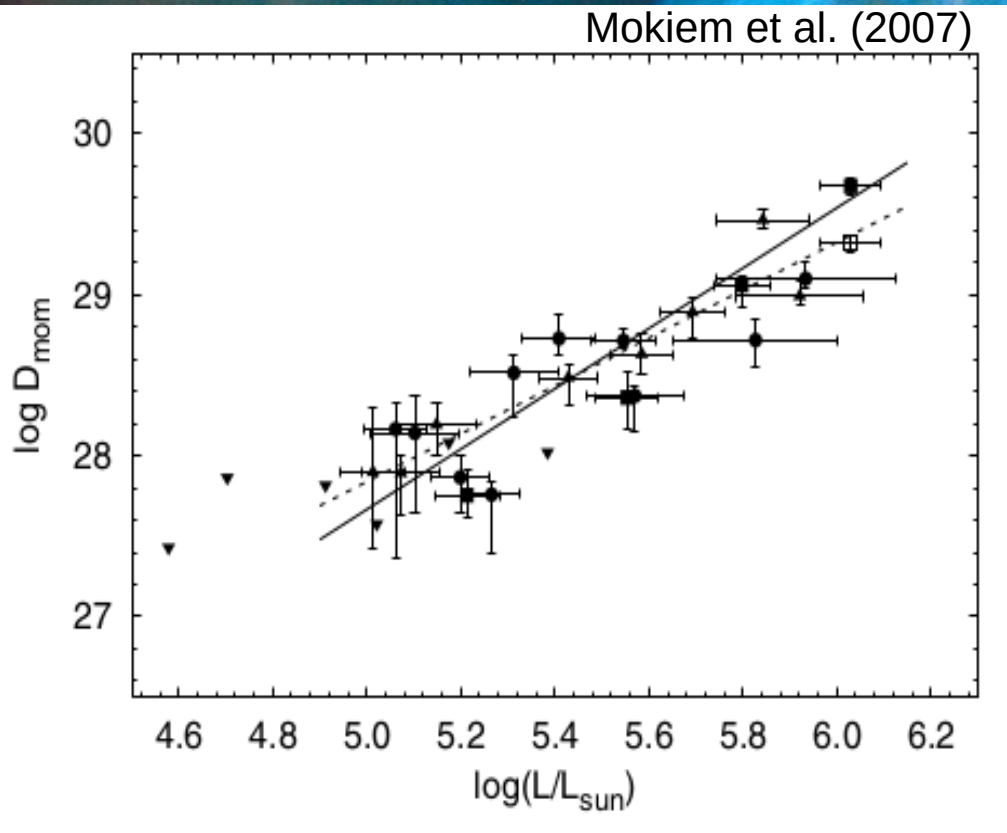
Momentum transfer of the radiation field to the gas



Radiation $\xrightarrow{\text{momentum}}$ Gas

$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p - \frac{GM\rho}{r^2}\hat{r} + \sum_i \vec{F}_i = -\nabla p - \frac{GM\rho}{r^2}\hat{r} + \vec{f}_{rad}$$

wind intensity (D) correlates with luminosity, depends on Z (metal line-driven)



We need to understand $f(Z)$!

Some Z dependence works:

$$V_{\infty} \propto Z^{0.13}$$

theory (Leitherer+92)

$$\dot{M} \propto Z^{0.69}$$

theory (Vink et al. 2001)

$$\dot{M} \propto Z^{0.83}$$

observations - Mokiem et al. (2007)

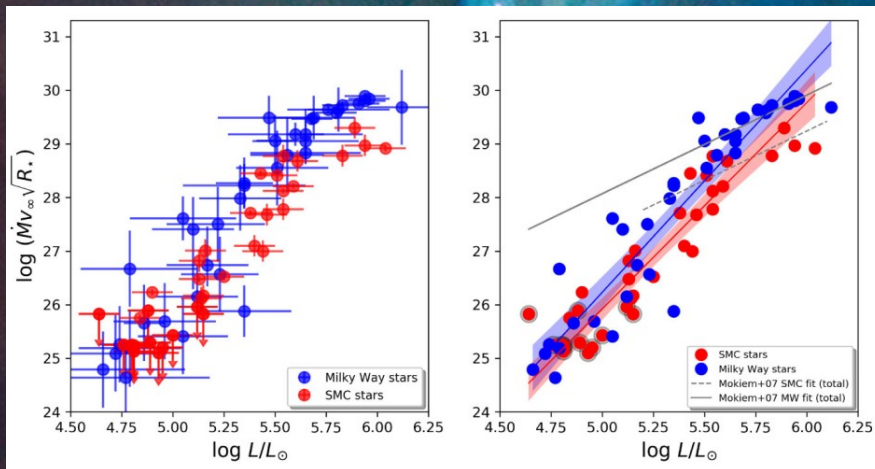
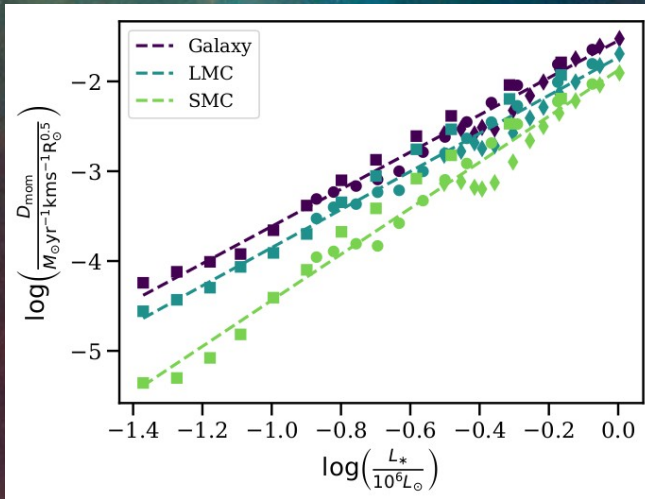
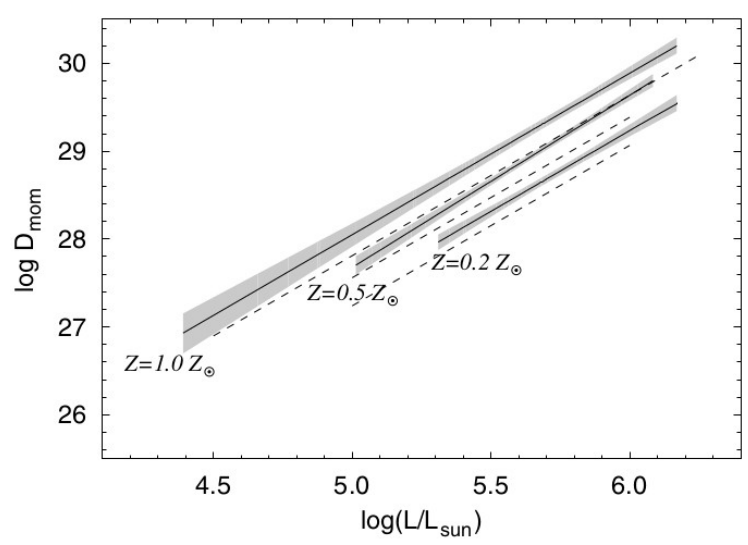
$$\dot{M} \propto Z^{0.95}$$

theory - Bjorklund et al. (2020)

$$\dot{M} \propto Z^{0.5-0.8}$$

observations (bright objects only)
Marcolino et al. (2022)

There are many other references
(Vink & Sander 2021; Krtićka & Kubat 2017; 2018;
Brands et al. 2022; etc.)



Understand details about the Z dependence is a big deal!

It is crucial to understand stellar evolution, populations and feedback in the local and far Universe.

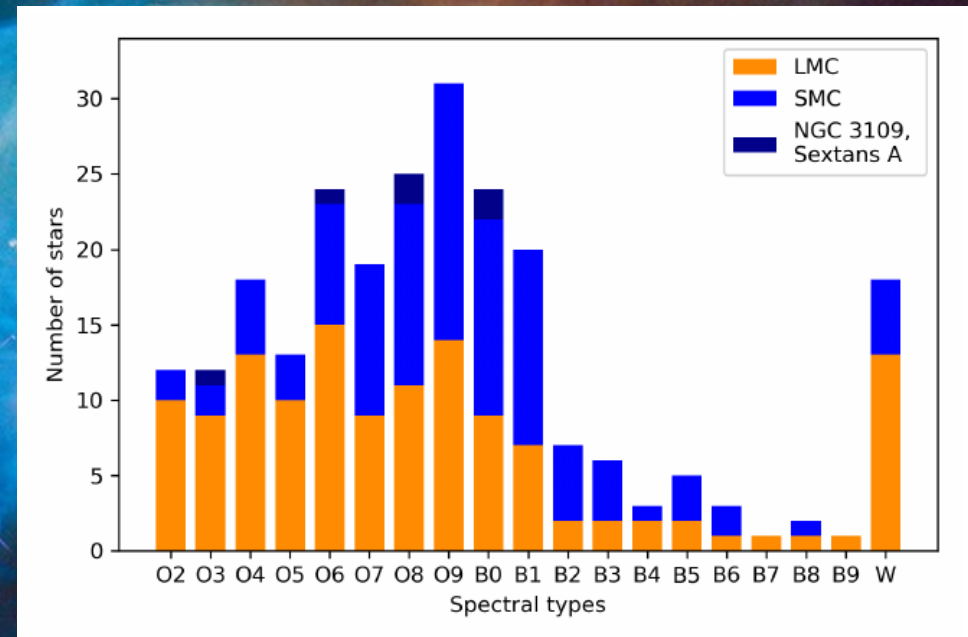
Efforts on $f(Z)$

- ULLYSES program with Hubble (STIS/COS)

500 orbits dedicated to massive stars

~250 OB stars at low Z
(LMC, SMC, Sextans A, NGC 3109).

(Roman-Duval+20)



- XShootU Collaboration - “X-Shooting ULLYSES”

Optical spectra of HST targets with Xshooter - VLT/ESO

near UV – near IR

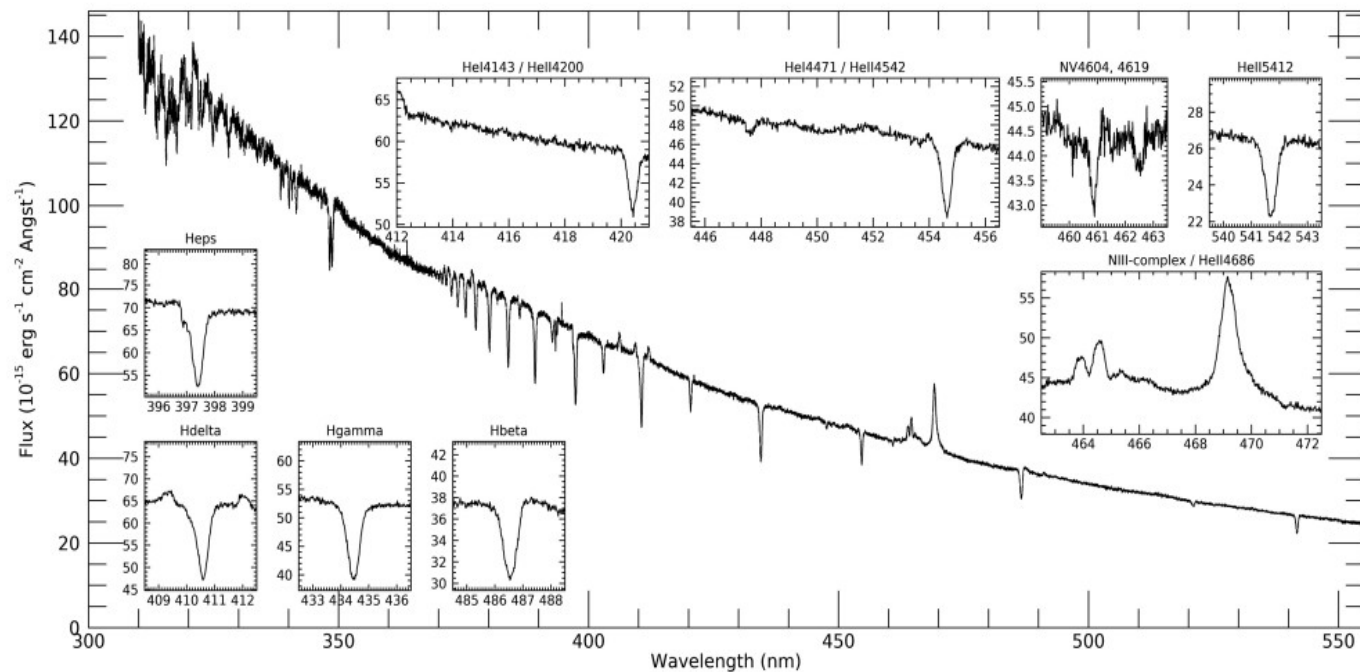
UVB arm: 300 – 500 nm

VIS arm: 500 – 1000 nm

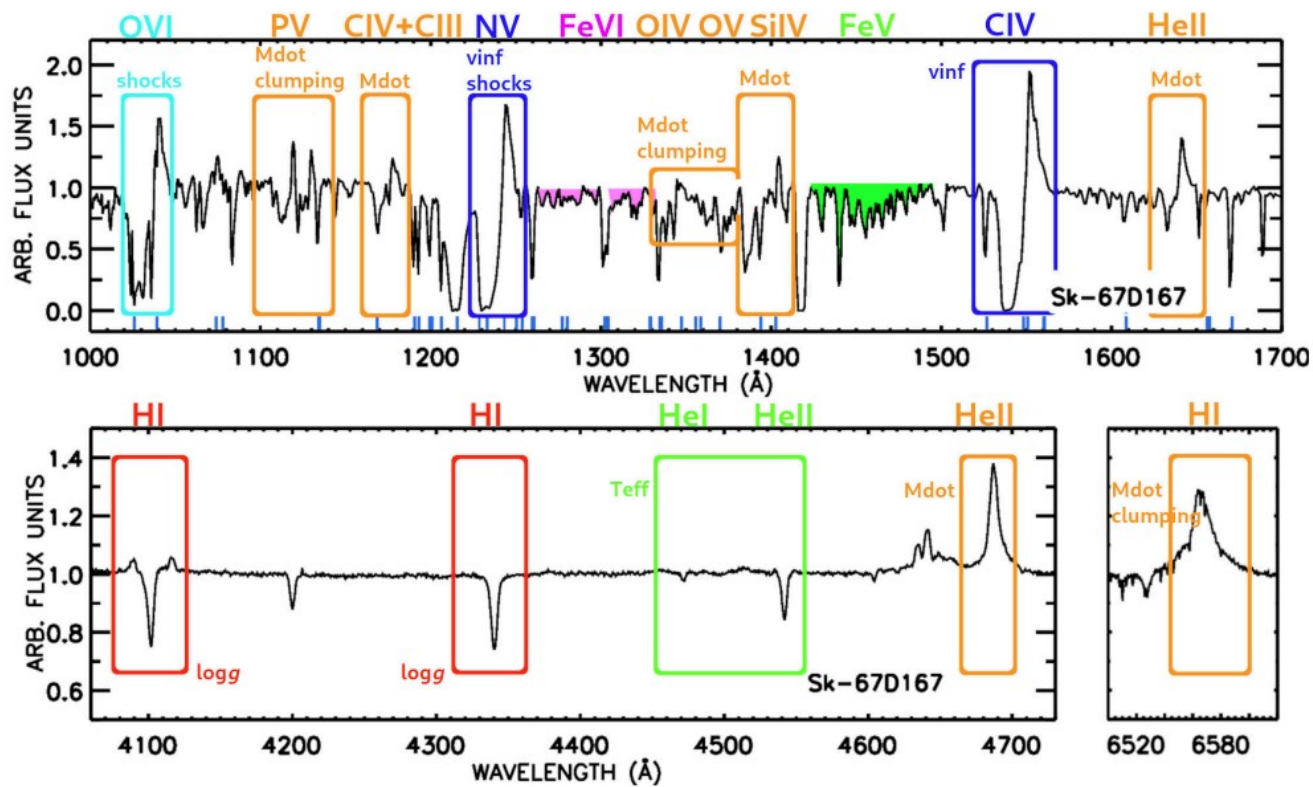
NIR arm: 1000 – 2500 nm

($R \sim 5000-10000$)

(see Vink+23)



Vink+23



Observations of massive stars in the Local Group

- Hundreds of high-resolution spectra available being /waiting to be analyzed by different tools/atmosphere models (e.g., PoWR, FASTWIND, CMFGEN)
- Analysis is complex; models are computationally expensive (NLTE+winds).
- Tailored and automatic analyses (e.g., Brands+22)

GRIDS at low Z are WELCOME!

Grids of CMFGEN models at low Z

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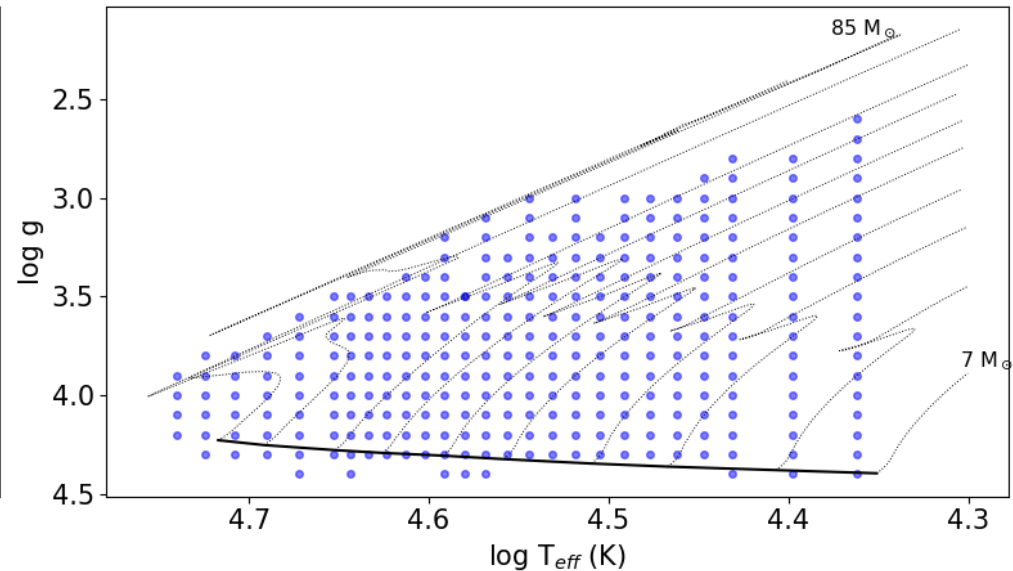
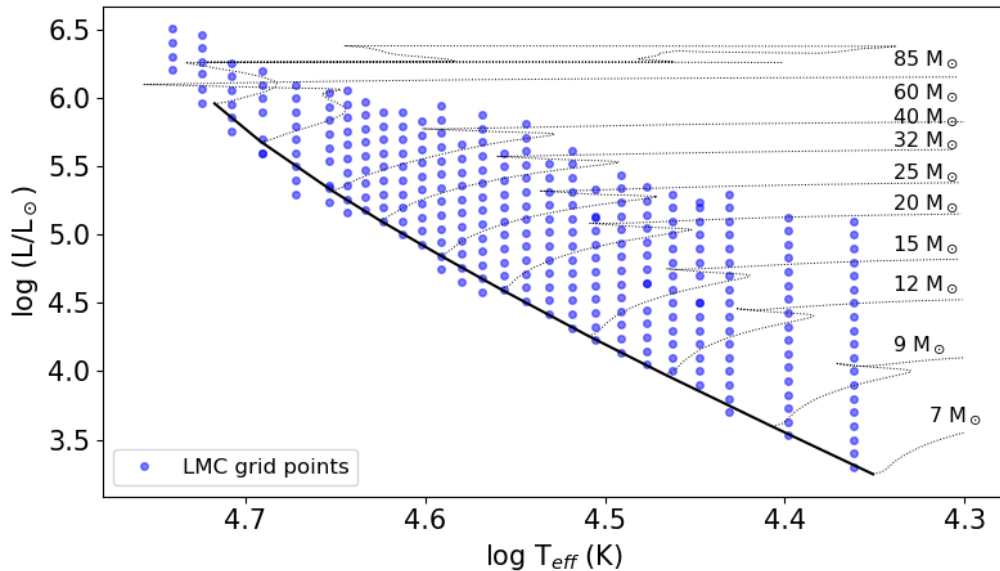
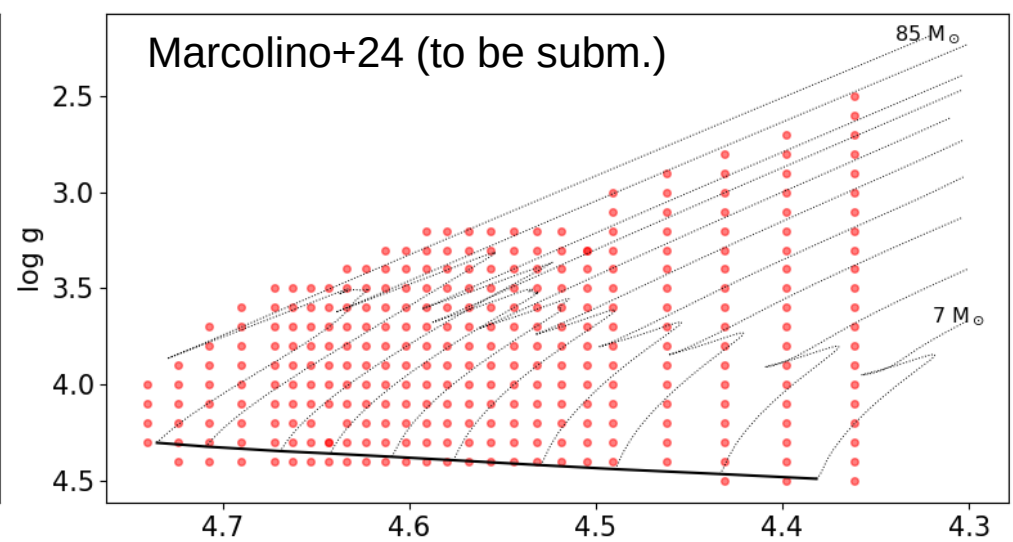
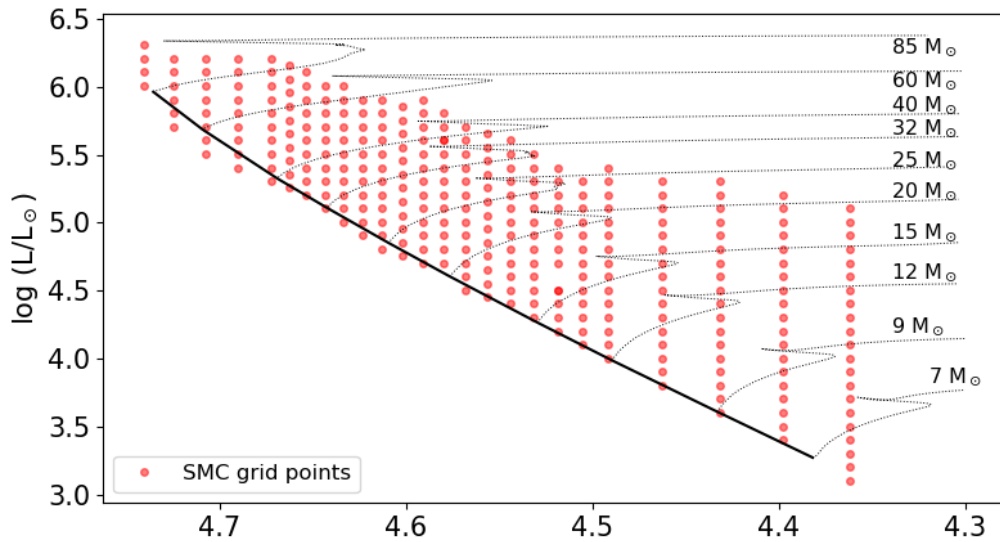
Aims:

- Expedite multiwavelength analysis of massive stars in low Z environments
- Provide models to the massive star community (spectra and structure)

Methods:

- CMFGEN (Hillier & Miller 1998) + LMC and SMC metallicities (1/2 and 1/5)
NLTE, line-blanket, expanding atmosphere models
- Compute detailed spectra from EUV to mid-IR (continuum and lines)
- Use the spectra to compute important subproducts ($\log Q$'s, M_λ 's, BC_λ 's)

Grid setup (tracks from Georgy+13 and Eggenberger+21)



He/H = 0.085 (solar by number)

other elements: solar scaled 1/2 and 1/5 solar (Asplund+09)

Teff = 23 – 55 kK (steps: 1000K for 27 – 45kK and 2000K 23 – 27kK)

various log g's for each Teff (0.1 dex steps) – use of clusters in Marseille/Montpellier

Grid setup (other assumptions)

microturbulence: fixed at 10 km s^{-1}

β -law: fixed at 1.0

Mass-loss rates:

computed according to the Vink formula (Vink+01)
adopting $V_{\infty}/V_{\text{esc}} = 3.0$ (Martins & Palacios 2021)

Atomic data:

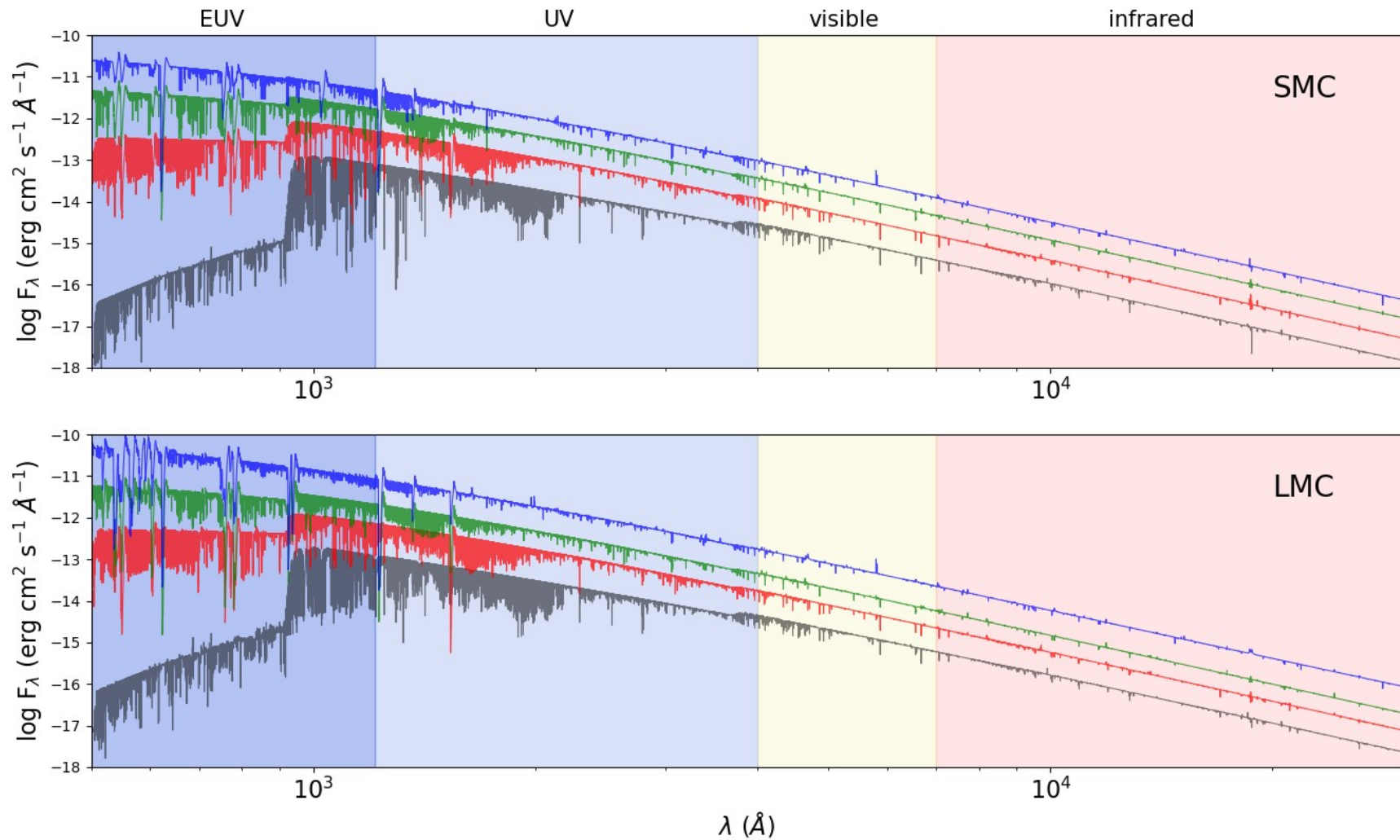
complete as possible 

- 9178 levels (2046 SLs): hundreds of thousands of transitions
- appropriate amount of metal-line blanketing
- computationally feasible (hours-days/each model if converge)
- able to reproduce the rich UV spectra of OB stars

Total number of models: 606 (300 LMC + 306 SMC)
(may be extended in the near future)

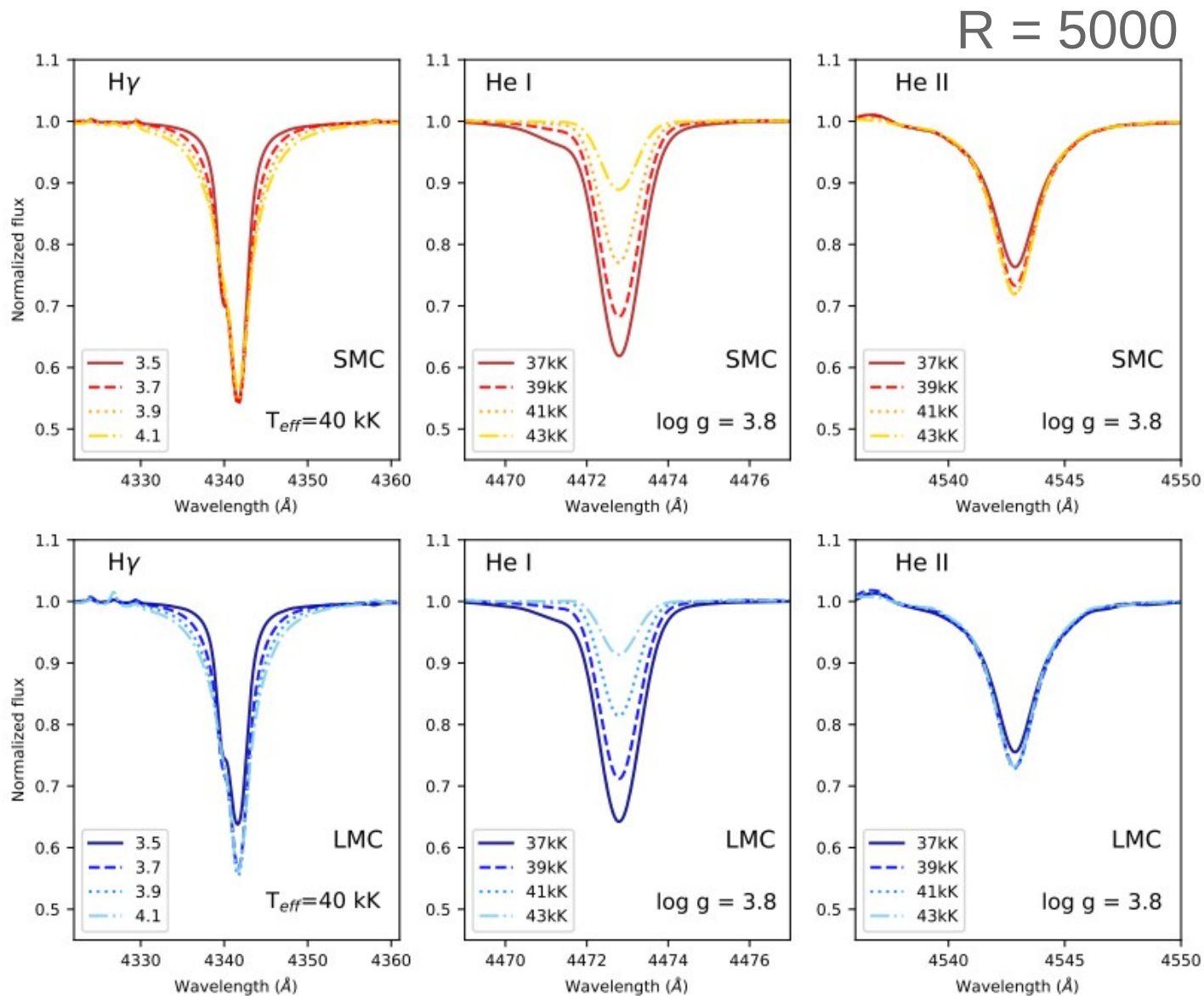
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He I	69	69
He II	30	30
C II*	92	322
C III	99	243
C IV	64	64
N II*	59	105
N III	57	287
N IV	44	70
N V	41	49
O II*	155	274
O III	36	104
O IV	30	64
O V	32	56
O VI*	9	15
Ne II	14	48
Ne III	23	71
Ne IV	17	52
Ne V	37	166
Mg II	36	44
Si II*	27	53
Si III	50	50
Si IV	66	66
S III	39	78
S IV	40	108
S V	37	144
S VI*	28	58
Ar III	24	138
Ar IV	30	102
Ar V	14	29
Ar VI*	21	81
Ca III	29	88
Ca IV	19	72
Ca V*	10	613
Fe II*	24	295
Fe III	65	607
Fe IV	100	1000
Fe V	139	1000
Fe VI	59	1000
Fe VII*	41	252
Ni II*	27	158
Ni III	24	150
Ni IV	36	200
Ni V	46	183
Ni VI	40	182
Ni VII*	37	308

Example of spectra: 500-30000Å

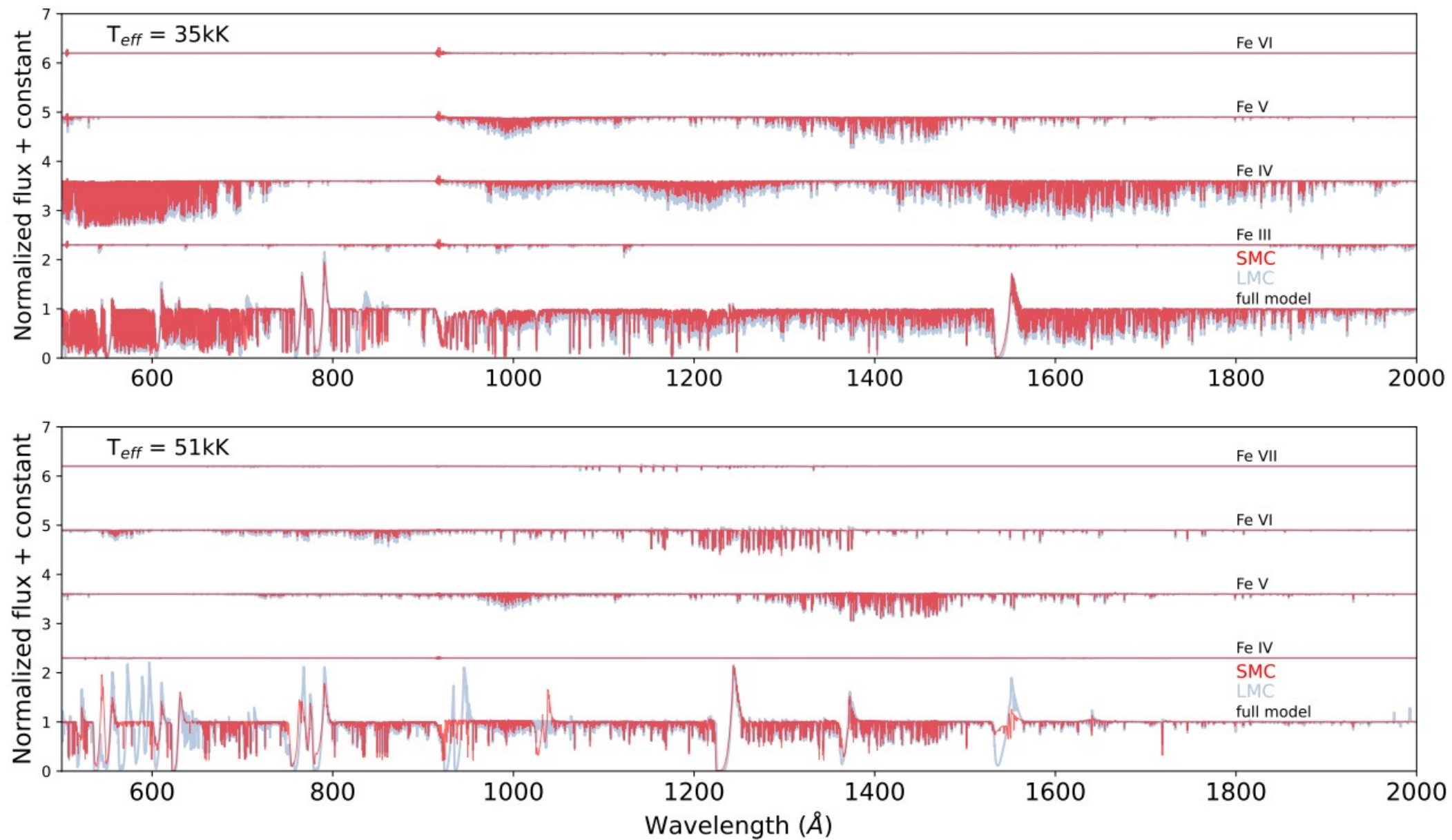


T_{eff} 's: 25000, 35000, 45000, and 55000 K ; $\log g = 4.0$
(roughly an early B, late O, mid-O and early O typer star)

Optical spectra and line sensitivity



UV spectra and line sensitivity

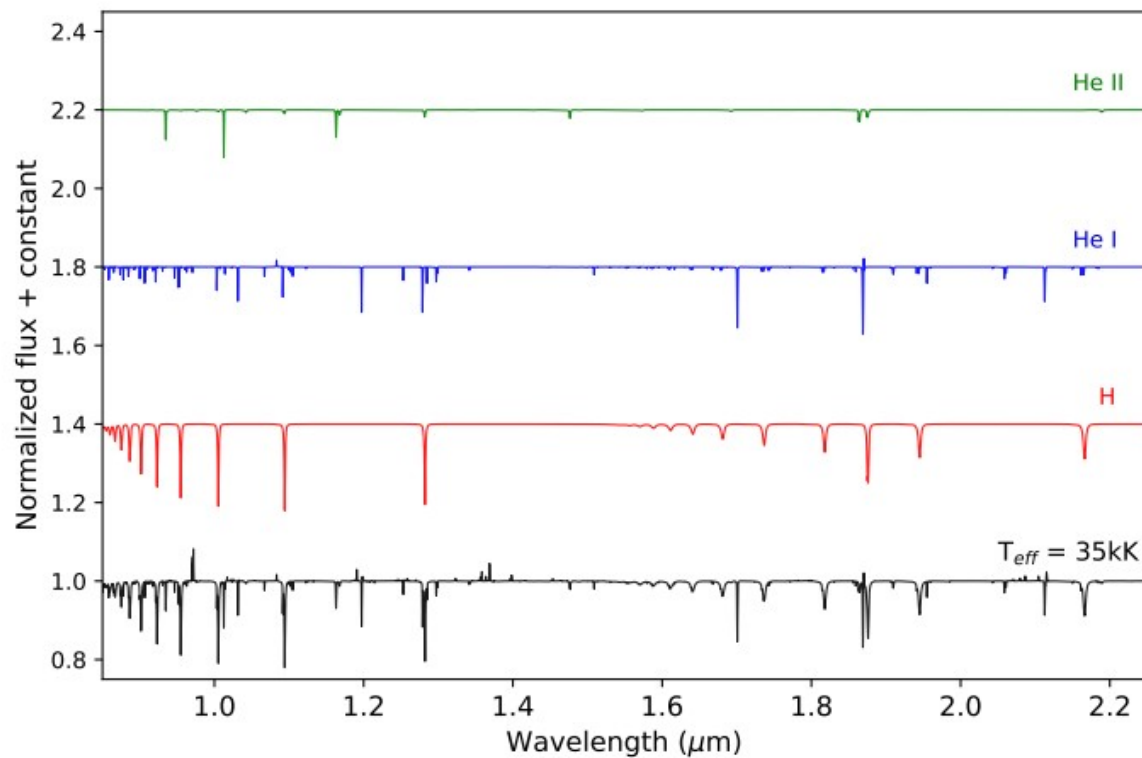
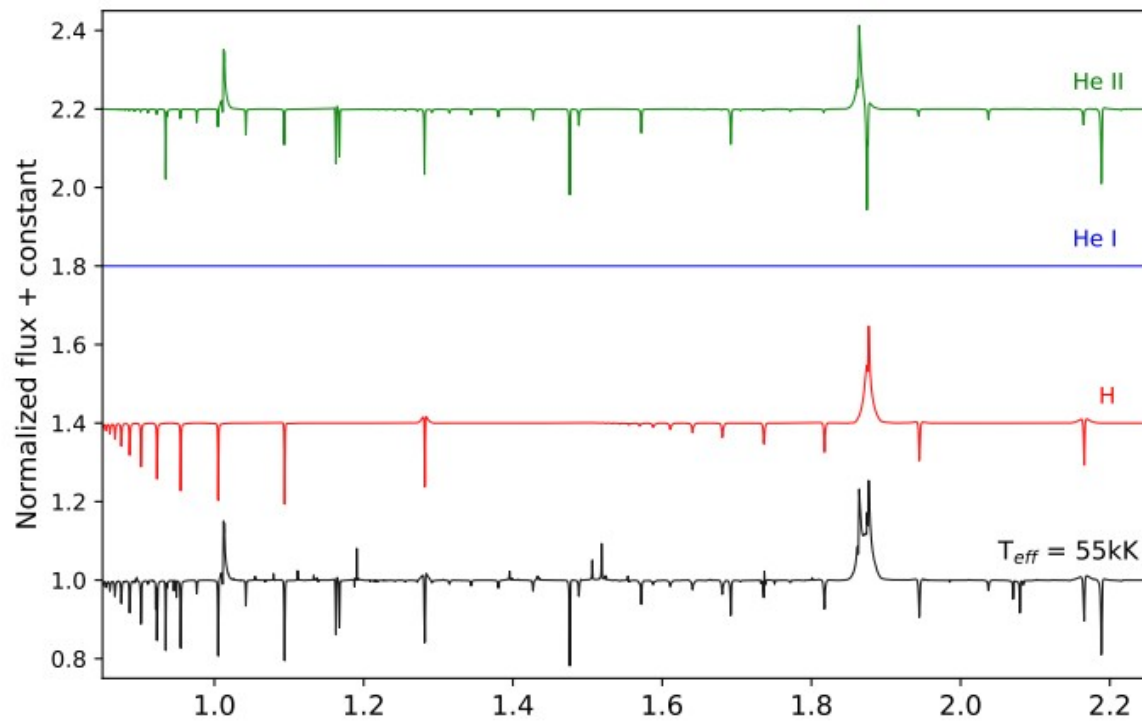


IR spectra ($R=2700$; Z_{LMC})

55kK

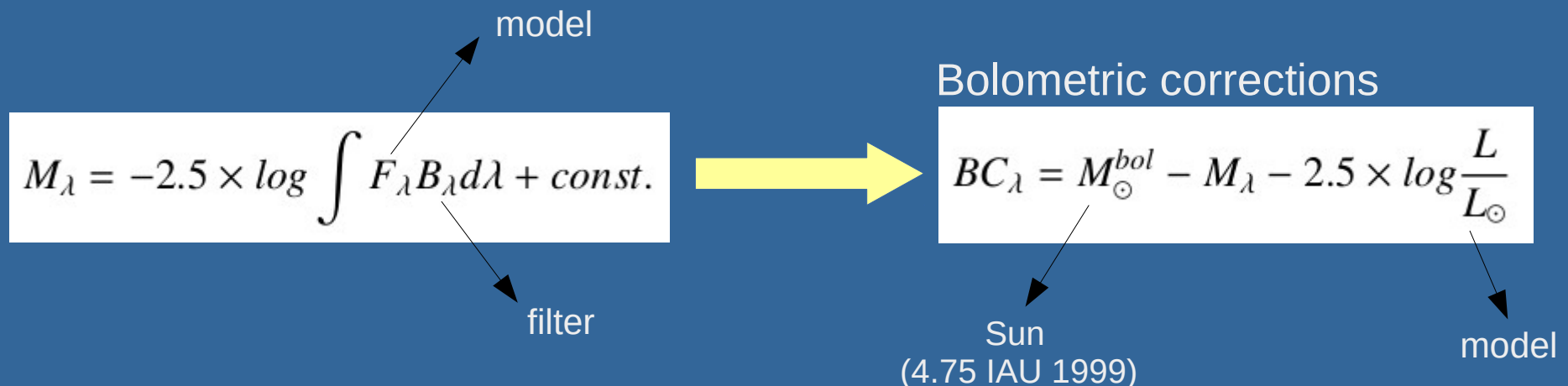
35kK

Spectra appropriate to analyze,
e.g., JWST NIRcam data



Synthetic Photometry

- The vast wavelength interval allows the computation of absolute magnitudes, BC's and other subproducts.
- We chose the bands:
 - **UBVRIJHK** – classical Johnson, Cousins, Bessel
 - **GAIA G**
 - **JWST wide filters** – F070W, F090W, F115W, F150W, and F200W
 - **LSST ugrizy**
- PYPHOT package + incursions on the SVO to obtain the filters transmissions (Morgan Fouesneau – github) (e.g., `svo.get_pyphot_astropy_filter("LSST/LSST.r")`)

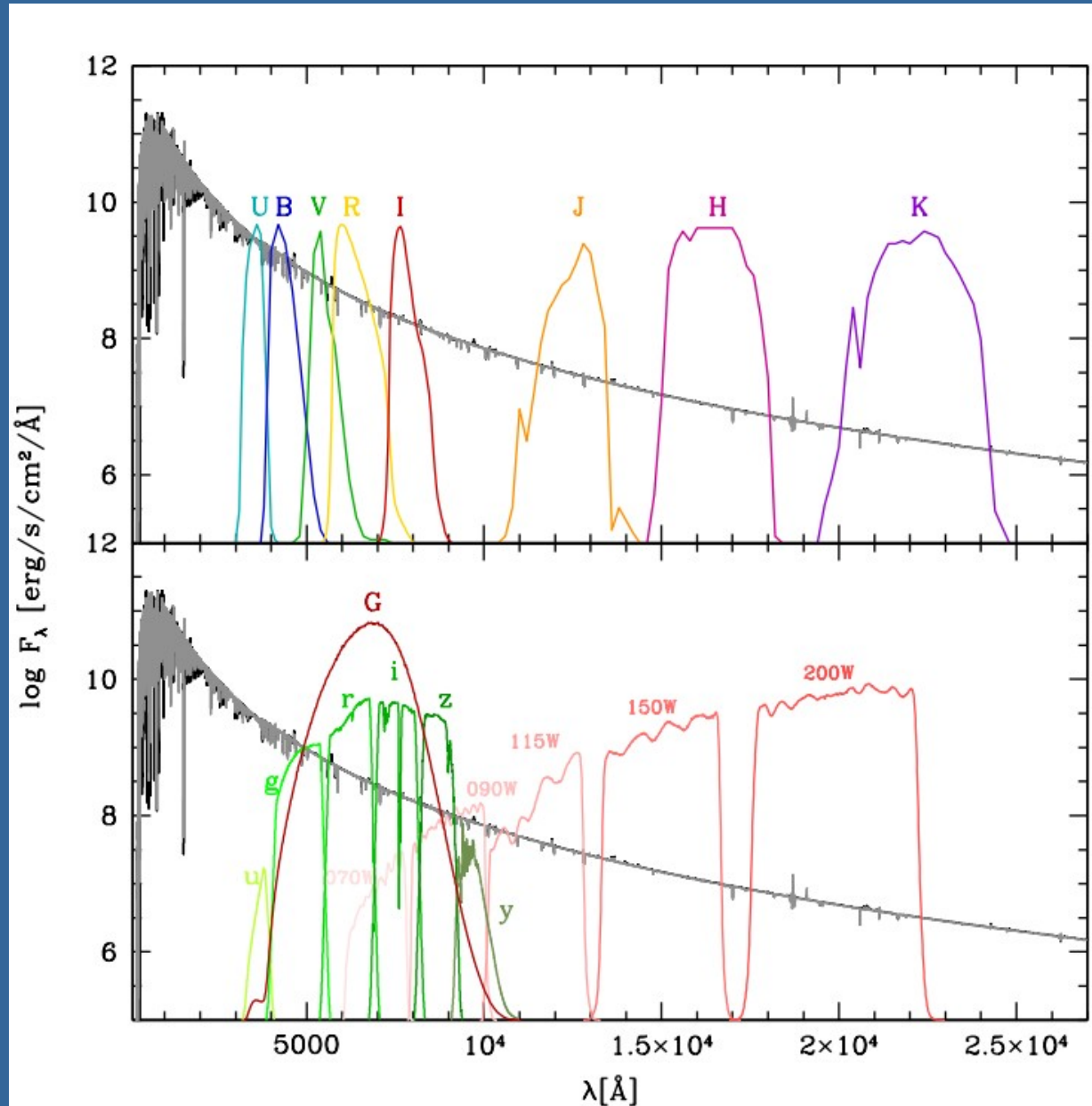


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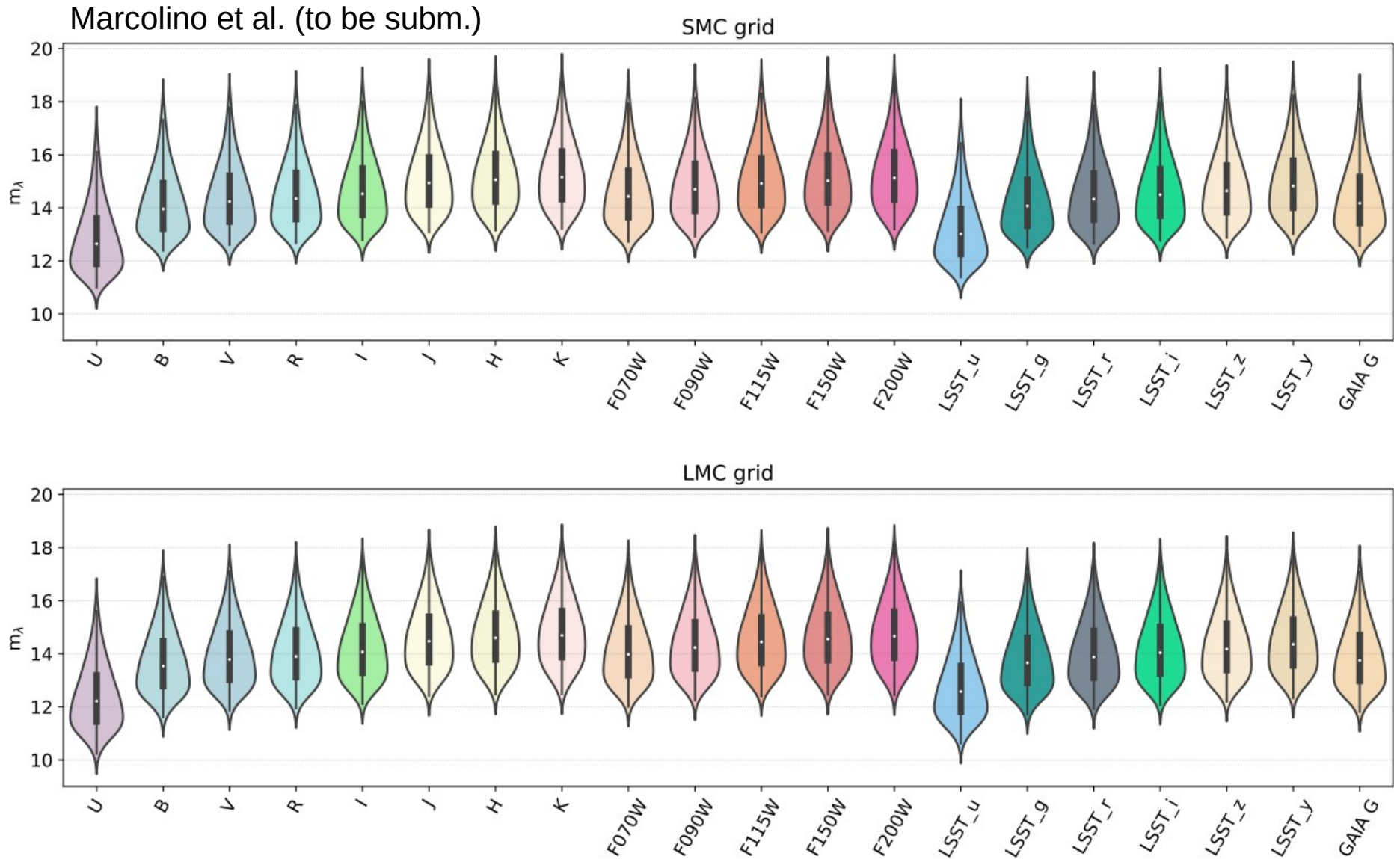
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$$M_\lambda = -2.5 \times \log \int F_\lambda B_\lambda d\lambda + const.$$

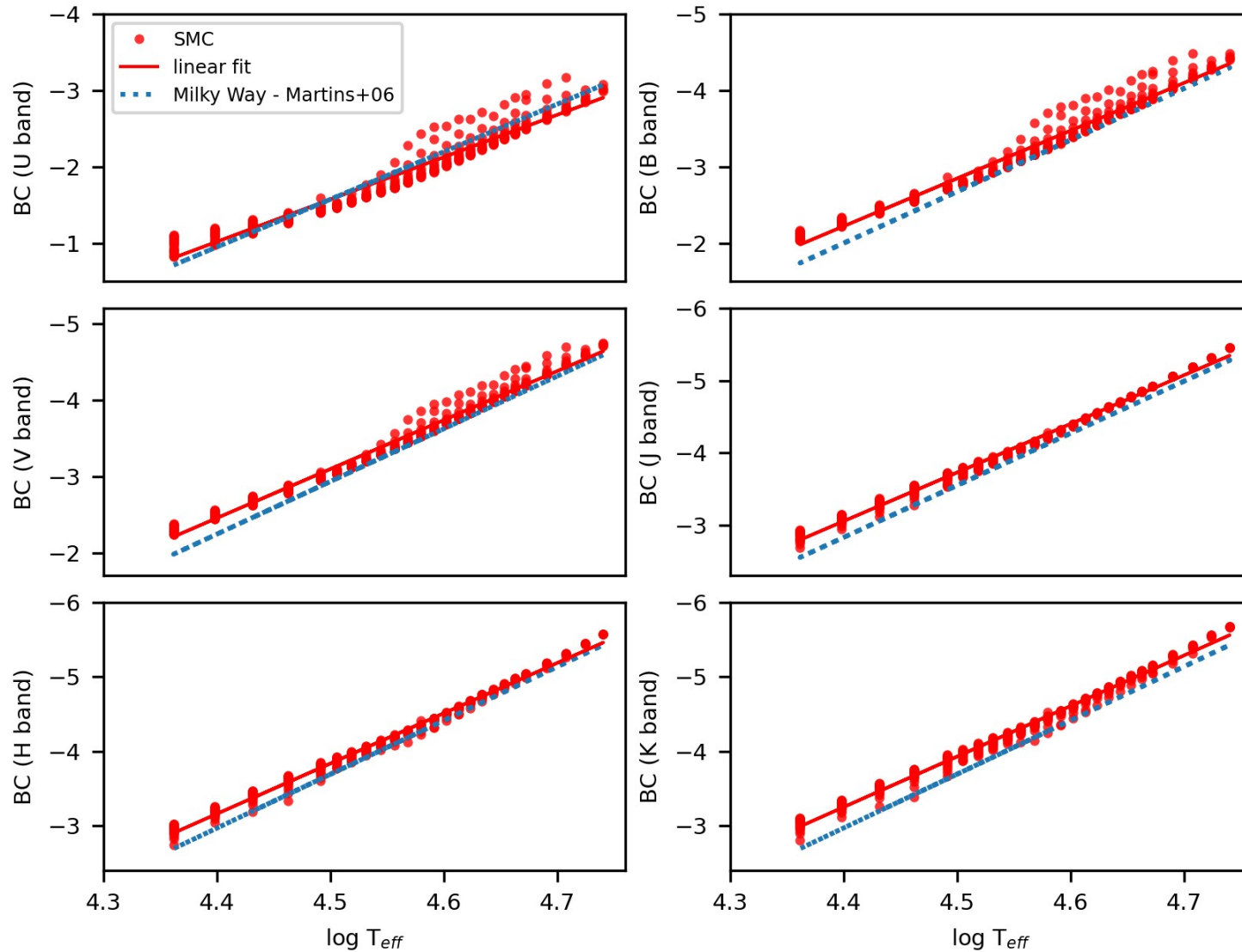
$$BC_\lambda = M_\odot^{bol} - M_\lambda - 2.5 \times \log \frac{L}{L_\odot}$$



Synthetic Photometry



Bolometric Corrections - UBVJHK



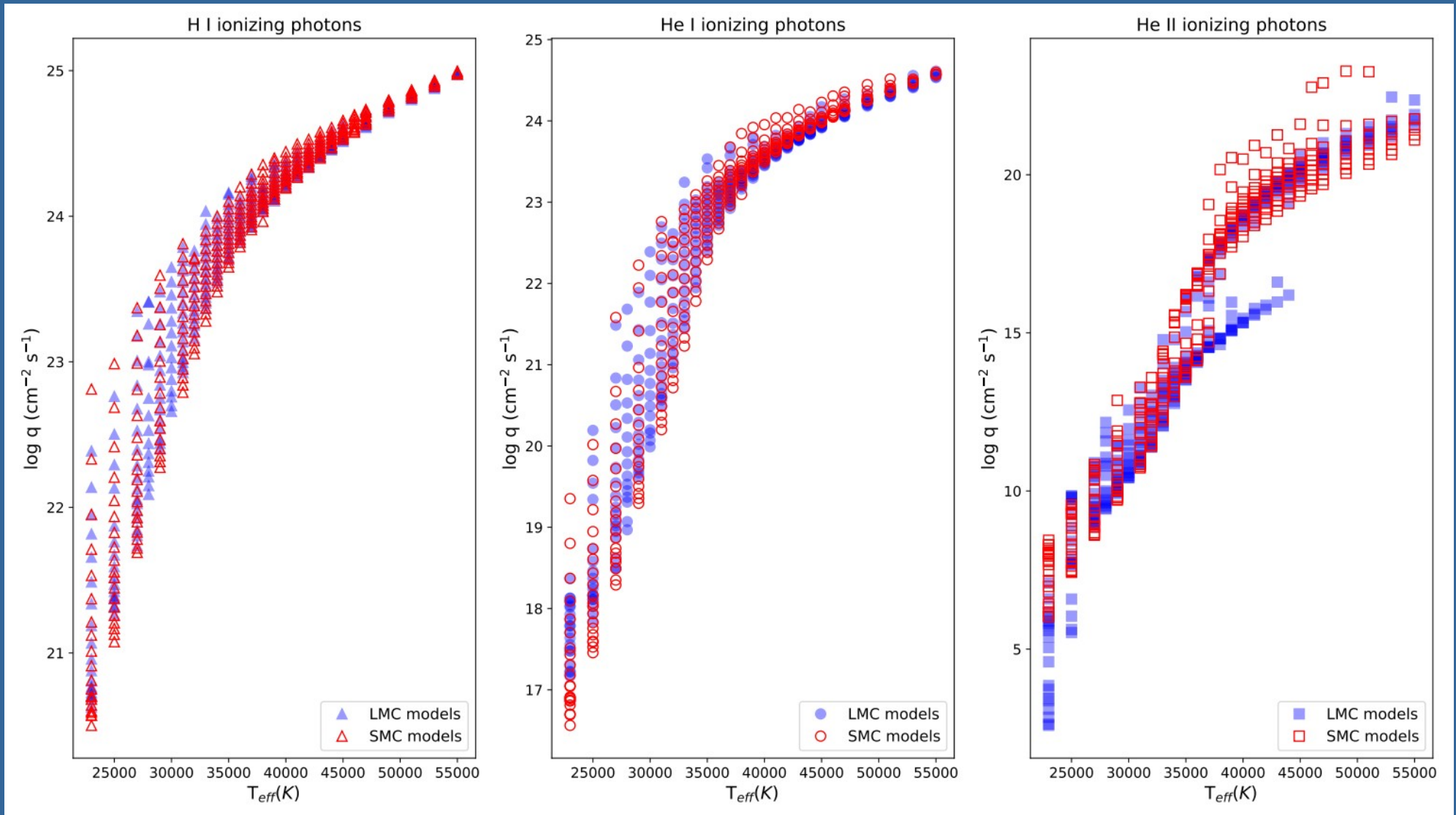
mild Z effect on the BC's

Ionizing fluxes – log Q's

- Spectra computed from $\sim 30 \text{ \AA}$ to 5 \mu m :

$$Q = \int_{\nu_0}^{+\infty} \frac{L_\nu}{h\nu} d\nu,$$

- $Q(\text{He II})$ behavior is complex - depends largely on He II opacity/ground state population



GRID availability

- The spectra can be found at <https://pollux.oreme.org/> (Palacios+10)
- Individual models can be made available by request
- A catalog at Vizier with all subproducts is also planned (absolute magnitudes, bolometric corrections, log Q's, etc.)

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Conclusions

- We provide two grids of NLTE expanding atmosphere models appropriate to investigate OB stars at low metallicities (LMC and SMC).
- We computed spectra from the EUV to the mid-IR (606 models).
Z-effect on several spectral bands is conspicuous
- Absolute magnitudes and BC_λ 's were computed in several bands.
LSST, GAIA and JWST for the first time; BC 's $\times T_{\text{eff}}$ show mild Z effect
- Ionizing fluxes of H I, He I and He II were calculated.
 $Q(\text{HI})$ and $Q(\text{HeI})$ do not reveal a metallicity dependence; $Q(\text{HeII})$ behavior is complex
- The models can be made available upon request (soon).
- The spectra can be downloaded at the Pollux database.
<https://pollux.oreme.org/>
- We hope to improve the both grids in the near future.
- Our models will expedite the analysis of massive stars in low Z environments.

Thanks