

# Équilibre thermique du réservoir de gaz neutre à très faible métallicité.

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## Motivations / objectifs

- Importance du gaz moléculaire (sombre en CO ou non) (e.g., Madden+ 1997; Wolfire+ 2010) et du gaz atomique (e.g., Glover & Clark 2012; Krumholz 2012) dans la formation stellaire
- Régulation de la formation stellaire: retro-action des supernovæ, chauffage par effet photoélectrique (e.g., Forbes+ 2016), autres mécanismes?
- [C II] 157  $\mu\text{m}$ , refroidisseur omniprésent du gaz neutre, détecté à très grand  $z$   $\Rightarrow$  Quels diagnostics, en particulier dans les galaxies pauvres en métaux?

## Modélisation d'I Zw 18 (18 Mpc, $1/35 Z_{\odot}$ , G/D $\sim$ 1000 MW, aucune détection de molécules)

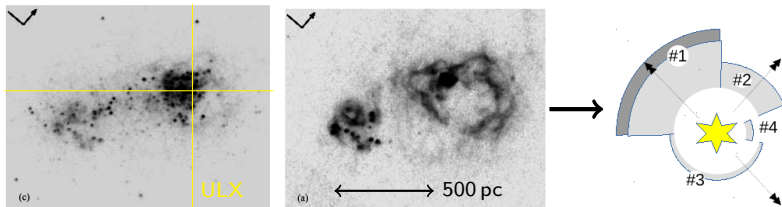
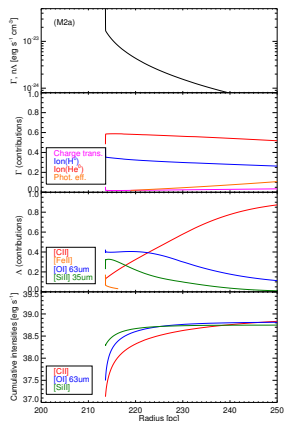


Fig.: I Zw 18 en bande R et H $\alpha$  (Canon+ 2002) – stratégie de modélisation (Leboutteiller+ soumis)

## Résultats

- Chauffage du MIS dominé par photoionisation dû à une source X binaire ( $10^{40}$  erg s $^{-1}$ ). Effet photoélectrique et rayons cosmiques négligeables.



## Implications

- Corrélation  $L_X$ -SFR (e.g., Grimm+ 2003)  $\Rightarrow$  [C II] trace encore la formation stellaire
- [C II] (et [O I] 63  $\mu$ m) ne tracent que le gaz atomique, même dans l'hypothèse de fragments froids et denses. Fragments  $\ll$  1 pc, pouvant représenter  $\sim$  50% de la masse totale de gaz
- Transition entre mécanismes de chauffage:  $Z \searrow \Rightarrow \Gamma_{PE} \searrow$ , mais plus grande abondance et luminosité de binaires X à faible Z (e.g., Kaaret+ 2011)  $\Rightarrow \Gamma_X \nearrow$
- Effet potentiellement important dans galaxies lointaines si confirmation de l'évolution super-linéaire de G/D vs. métallicité (e.g., Rémy-Ruyer+ 2014)

Extra slides

# I Zw 18: characteristics and relevant questions

- $Z \approx 1/35 Z_{\odot}$  (Garnett *et al.* 1997),  $D \approx 18$  Mpc (Aloisi+ 2007)
- Physical H I diameter  $\sim$  LMC
- $M_{\text{HI}} \approx 10^8 M_{\odot}$  in main body (Lelli+ 2012)
- $\text{SFR} \approx 0.1 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  (Cannon+ 2005)  $\Rightarrow \text{SFR}/M_{\text{gas}} \sim 1 \text{ Gyr}$

- No cold gas & molecule detections
- Diffuse  $\text{N}(\text{H}_2) \lesssim 5 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  toward star clusters (Vidal-Madjar+ 2000)  $\Rightarrow f_{\text{H}_2} \lesssim 5 \times 10^{-7}$ 
  - Larger critical surface density to form  $\text{H}_2$  (Sternberg+ 2014)
- $\text{CO}_{1-0} < 8 \times 10^{-22} \text{ W m}^{-2}$  ( $\approx 380 \text{ pc beam}$ ) (Leroy+ 2007)
  - Low  $\text{H}_2$  abundance &  $\text{H}_2$  more efficiently converted into stars?
  - CO not tracing well  $\text{H}_2$ ?

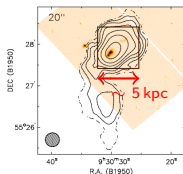


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## Herschel Dwarf Galaxy Survey (Madden+ 2013)

- $M_{\text{dust}} \approx 560 M_{\odot}$  (Rémy-Ruyer+ 2015)
- $D/G \approx 1/1000$  MW – more if CO-dark gas
- Recent detections of [C II]  $157 \mu\text{m}$  and [O I]  $63 \mu\text{m}$  (Cormier+ 2014)
- What are the heating mechanisms? What consequences for the molecular gas?

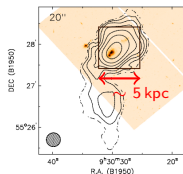


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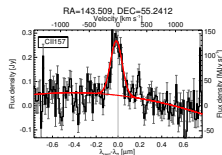


Fig.: [C II] detection (Cormier+ 2015)

# Photoelectric effect (PE) expectations

- PE explains [C II] & [O I] in MW neutral atomic phase (e.g., Weingartner & Draine 2001)
- PE heating efficiency: heating rate / power absorbed by dust grains or PAHs
- Observational proxies:  $\epsilon_{\text{TIR}} = \frac{[\text{CII}]+[\text{OI}] (+[\text{SiII}]...)}{\text{TIR}}$ ,  $\epsilon_{\text{PAH}} = \frac{[\text{CII}]+[\text{OI}] (+[\text{SiII}]...)}{\text{PAH}}$
- $\epsilon_{\text{TIR}} \sim 0.1 - 1\%$  in normal galaxies
- $\epsilon_{\text{PAH}} \sim 5 - 15\%$  in LMC & KINGFISH sources (e.g., Croxall+ 2012; Lebouteiller+ 2012; Okada+ 2014),  $\approx$  theory (e.g., Tielens 2005)

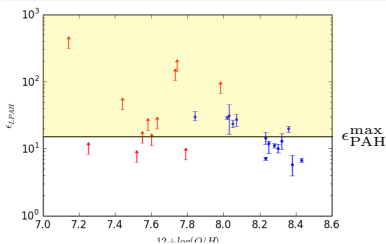


Fig.:  $\epsilon_{\text{PAH}}$  (in %) in the DGS (de la Vieuille+ in prep.)

## In I Zw 18, $\epsilon$ must be regarded with caution

- $D/G \approx 0.1\%$  MW,  $f_{\text{PAH}} < 3\%$  MW
- $\epsilon_{\text{PAH}} \gtrsim 50\%$   $\Rightarrow$  unrealistically large (even if all energy of UV photon goes to photo- $e^-$ )  $\Rightarrow$  PAHs do not contribute to PE
- $\epsilon_{\text{TIR}} \approx 1\%$   $\Rightarrow$  Is PE still dominant with compensation by small grains?

# Photoionization & photodissociation model with Cloudy

## Known heating sources & “favorable” geometry

- OB cluster ( $M_* \sim 0.3 - 1 \times 10^6 M_\odot$ ; (Schneider+ 2016))
- XR point source detected with Chandra and XMM-Newton (Thuan+ 2004; Kaaret & Feng 2013)
- ULX with  $L_X \approx 10^{40} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ , likely a HMXB (not that uncommon in low-Z galaxies...)

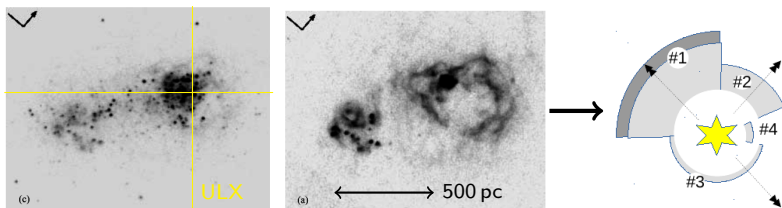


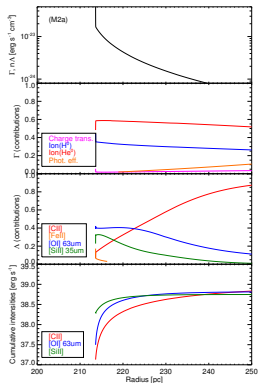
Fig.: I Zw 18 in R band and H $\alpha$  (Cannon+ 2002) – Modeling strategy (Lebouteiller+ in prep.)

## Multi-sector model, building on H II region study by Péquignot (2008)

- Radiation-bounded & matter-bounded sectors. Topology (covering factors, distance) and physical conditions well constrained in H II region by optical lines
- New constraints: dust SED, H I region lines [C II] and [O I]

## Photoelectric effect revisited

- PE alone not enough to heat observed  $H\ I$  mass and to explain  $[C\ II]$  and  $[O\ I]$ , even if D/G scaled with  $Z$  (heating contribution  $\lesssim 10\%$ )
- Addition of XRs  $\Rightarrow$  more efficient heating / PE contributes to  $\sim 5\%$  of total heating



## Cosmic rays

- Small contribution to heating even if Galactic background rate ( $\lesssim 13\%$ )
- Scaling with SFR for final model

## Final model

- Reproduces: optical lines, Spitzer lines,  $[C\ II]$ ,  $[O\ I]$ , dust SED,  $M(H\ I)$

Fig.: Heating/cooling vs. cloud depth in radiation-bounded sector.



# XR absorption in the H I region

## Effect of XRs

- Partial ionization of H I region ( $\approx 0.05 - 0.5\%$ )
- Dominates heating of H I region
  - Warm H I layer (few 10s-100s K)

## The joys of XR studies

- Many caveats
  - Degeneracy to recover intrinsic soft-XR emission
  - Emission modeled along our sightline probably  $\neq$  emission seen by most of the gas
  - State transition, collimated emission, etc...
- Properties of radiation-bounded sector can accommodate somewhat  $\neq$  XR models
  - XR ionization not only a natural explanation for H I region cooling lines but models provide reasonable parameters (depth,  $n$ ,  $T$ , ...)

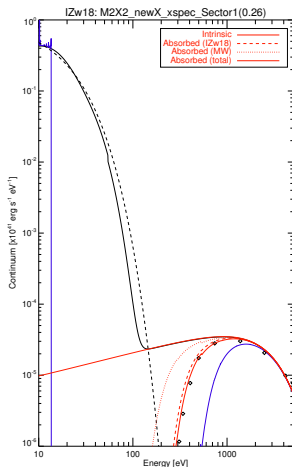


Fig.: UV & XR input radiation field.

# Why is $\epsilon_{\text{TIR}}$ “normal” in I Zw 18...

## ...despite negligible PE heating?

- H I region cooling line emission dominated by XR heated gas
- $\text{TIR} = \text{TIR}_{\text{dust}} + \text{TIR}_{\text{ff}}$  ( $\approx 75 - 25\%$ )
- Worst case scenario  $\Rightarrow \epsilon_{\text{TIR}} \sim \frac{[\text{CII}]+[\text{OI}]}{\text{TIR}_{\text{ff}}} \approx 3\%$
- Correlation  $\text{SFR}-L_X$  (e.g., *Grimm+ 2003*) + correlation  $\text{SFR}-\text{TIR} \Rightarrow \epsilon_{\text{TIR}}$  pretty stable

## Transition of heating mechanisms at low-metallicity

- Low D/G  $\Rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{PE}} \searrow$
- Enhanced abundance of HMXBs (e.g., *Kaaret+ 2011; Brorby+ 2015*)  $\Rightarrow \Gamma_X \nearrow$
- Important effect for high-z normal galaxies?

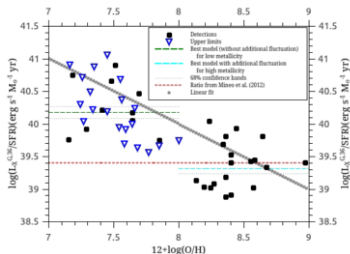
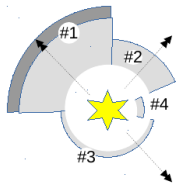


Fig.:  $L_X/SFR$  vs. metallicity; (*Douma+ 2015*)

# Molecular gas – diffuse ISM

## Case 1) Radiation-bounded sector with uniform properties

- Density reaches  $\sim 300 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , constrained in part by  $[\text{O I}]/[\text{C II}]$
- $N(\text{H}_2) \sim 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-2} \Rightarrow$  same properties as FUV sightlines observed with FUSE (*Aloisi+ 2003*)
- $M(\text{H}_2) \sim 1 M_{\odot}$
- In this case  $[\text{C II}]$  and  $[\text{O I}]$  trace an almost purely atomic medium



## XR-induced $\text{H}_2$ formation through $\text{H}^-$ process?

- In the models,  $\sim 1/2$  of  $\text{H}_2$  formed through  $\text{H}^-$  route
- Low  $D/G \Rightarrow$  low formation rate on dust
- Large  $n_e/n_{\text{H}}$  provided by XR ionization
- Large  $L_X/L_{\text{UV}} \Rightarrow$  ionization of dense cloud interiors  $>$  photodissociation in the LW bands

# Molecular gas – on the possible existence of clumps

## Case 2) Exploration of clump properties from models

- Constraints on covering factor and cloud depth:  $160 \mu\text{m}$  upper limit,  $\text{CO}_{1-0}$  upper limit
- Constant P model reaching  $10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3} \Rightarrow$  Gas becomes molecular even when no dust
- Covering factor  $< 0.05\% \Rightarrow$  10 linear parsecs (distributed in all clumps)
- Similar to 1.5 – 6 pc “isolated” clumps in WLM? (*Rubio+ 2015*)
- Clumps responsible for  $\lesssim 1/2$  of  $[\text{C II}]$  and  $[\text{O I}]$ , **but**
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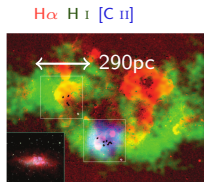
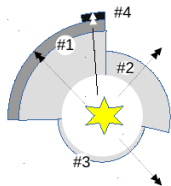


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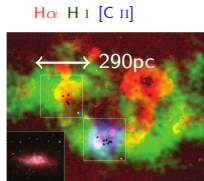
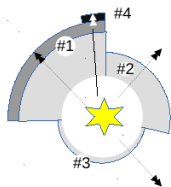


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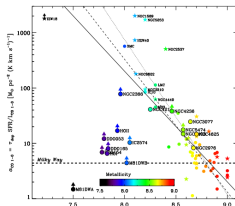


Fig.:  $\text{CO}/\text{H}_2$  (*Schruba+ 2012*)