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# **Evolution of Primordial Protostars under Global Gas Accretion in 3D RHD Simulations**

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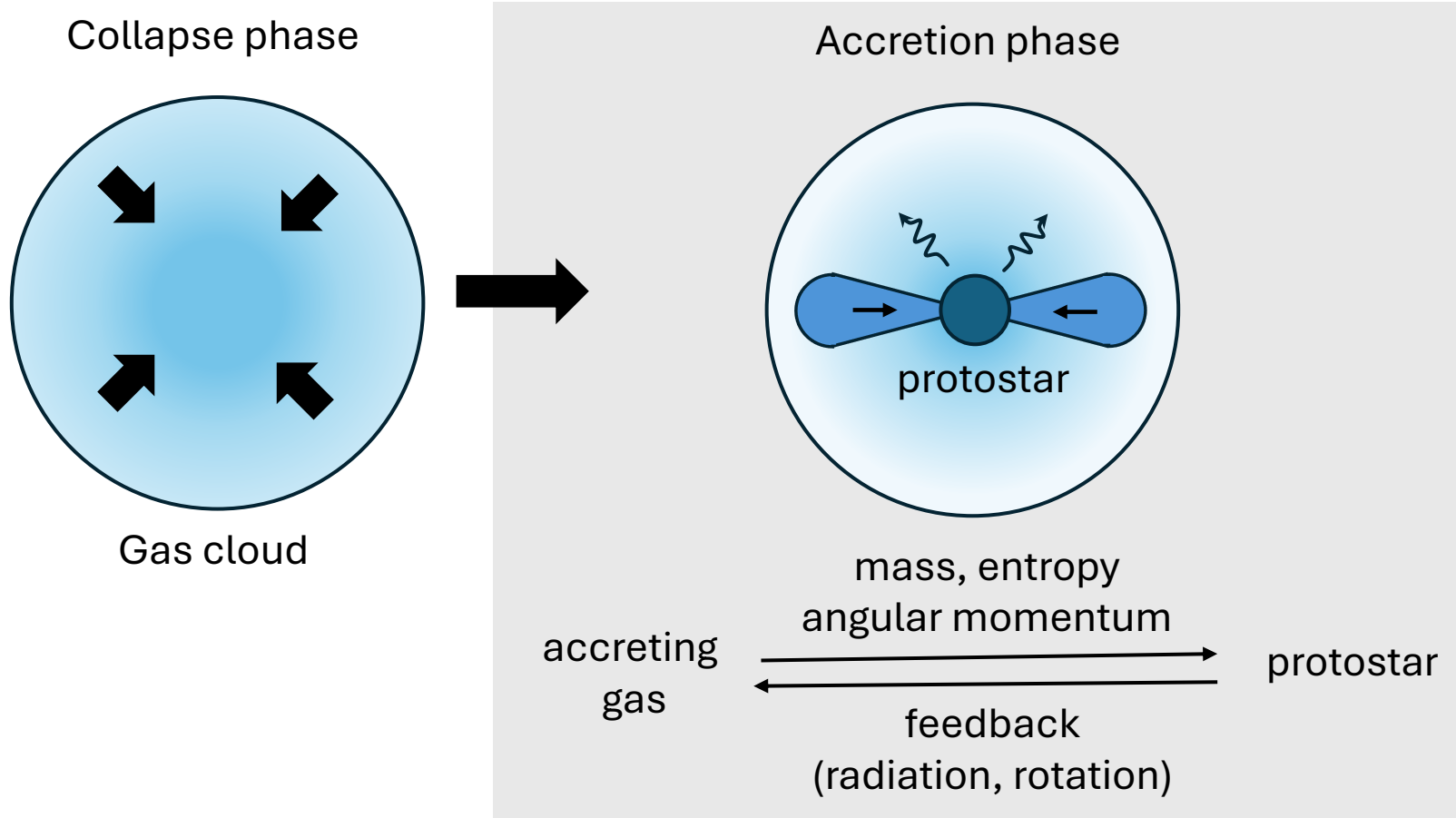
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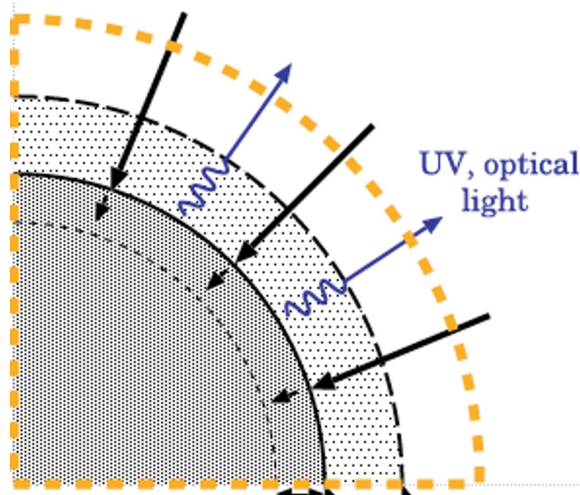
# Star Formation



The protostar and the accretion flow evolve while interacting with each other. The final stellar properties are determined during the accretion phase.

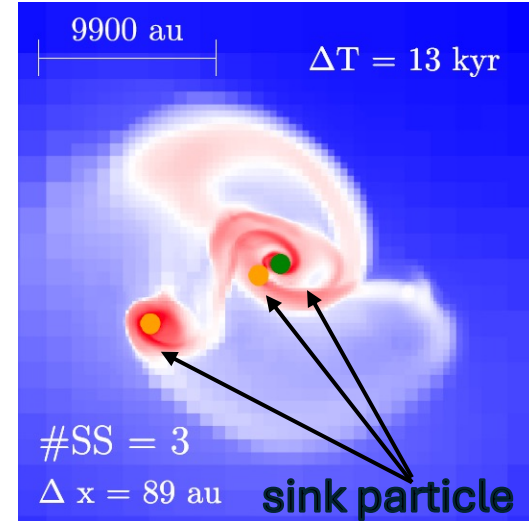
# 1D Protostar and 3D Accretion Flow

## 1D Stellar Evolution Calculation



(Hosokawa & Omukai 09)

## 3D RHD simulation



(Regan & Downes 18)

While accretion flows have been extensively studied in 3D, protostellar evolution is still mainly treated in 1D.

# Key Question and Our Approach

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How do protostars and accretion flows evolve in 3D while interacting with each other?



## **3D RHD simulation resolving both accretion flow and protostars**

- a **new RHD solver** for solving radiative transfer down to protostellar interior based on an explicit M1 closure.
- application to **primordial high-mass star formation**

Today's talk highlights the scientific results.

(Related work : Luo+18, Ahmad+24,scheme and context are different from ours)

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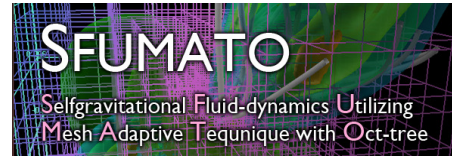
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# 3D RHD Code based on SFUMATO-RT

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- Self-gravity
- Adaptive Mesh Refinement
- Chemistry network and thermal processes for primordial gas  
Chemical species : H, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sup>+</sup>, H<sup>-</sup>, H<sup>2+</sup>, e
- **Newly developed RHD solver**



(Matsumoto 07, Sugimura+20,23)

We solve the radiative processes consistently with gas evolution all the way to the protostellar interior in our simulations.

- explicit M1-closure method w/ reduced speed of light  
(Fukushima & Yajima 20)
- modified scheme for the very dense medium  
(Rosdahl & Teyssier 15)
- Separately solve radiation energy density & photon number density to approximately get the spectrum

# Setup : Primordial Star Formation

- Cosmological initial condition from GADGET2 (Chon+18)  
Gas cloud at redshift  $z \sim 13$   
irradiated by strong FUV radiation from a nearby galaxy



Atomic cooling halo

**Accretion rate**  $\dot{M} \sim 1 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$

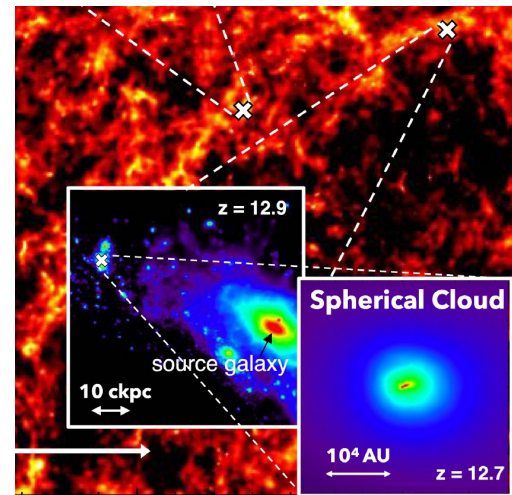
- Box Size  $\sim 100 \text{ pc}$
- Resolution

Resolve Jeans length with 8 cells.

**The maximum resolution =  $4.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ au}$ .**

(c.f. radius of primordial protostar  $\gtrsim 0.5 \text{ au}$ , Hosokawa+12)

- We follow collapse and accretion phases of the system until **7 years** after the protostar formation.



(Chon+18)

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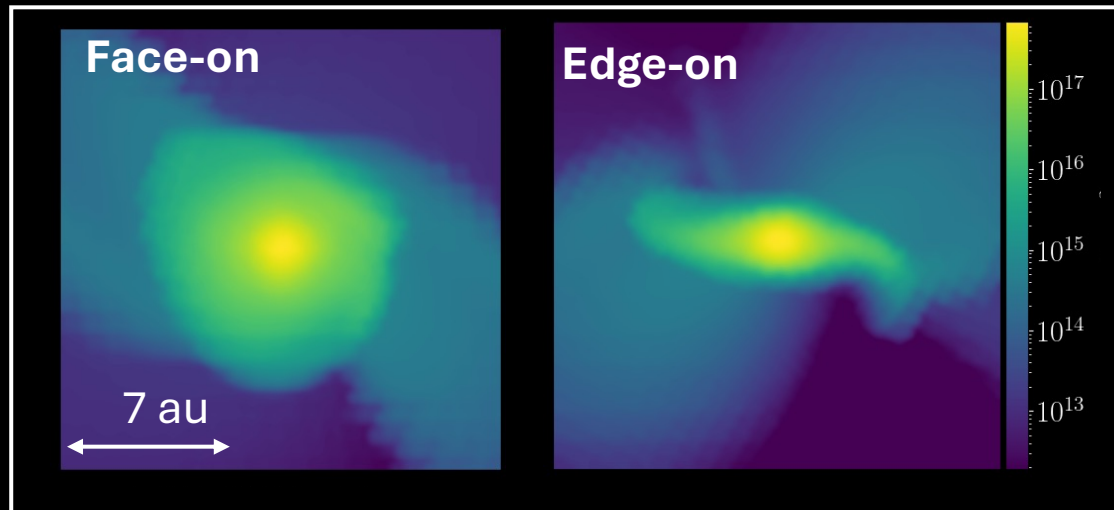
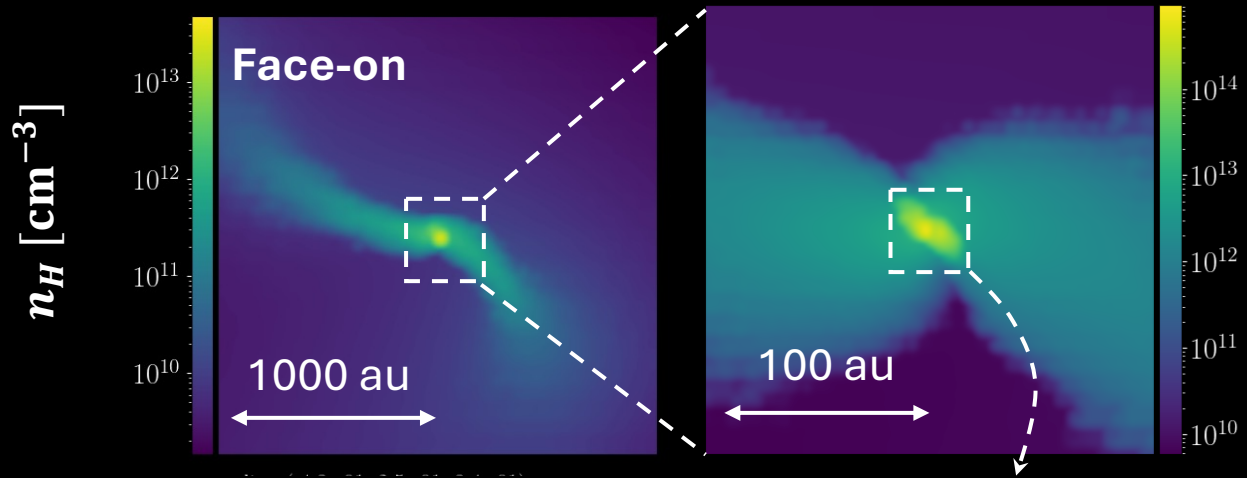
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# Final Snapshot

At 7 years after the protostellar formation.



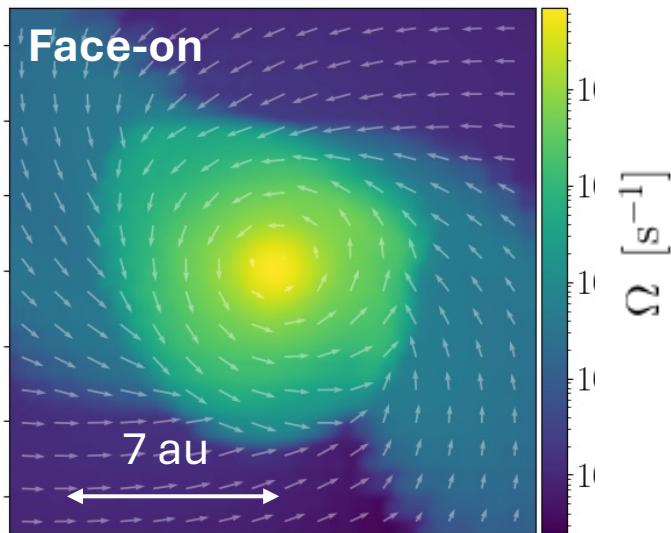
large-scale filament → small-scale protostar + disk

# Smooth Protostar–Disk Transition

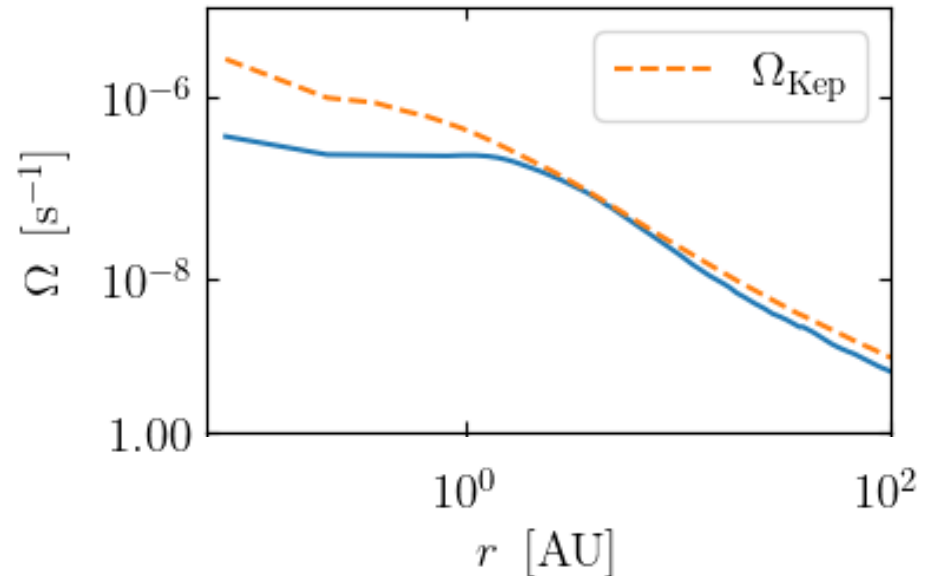
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- Accretion disk = centrifugal support,  $M_{\text{disk}} \sim 6M_\odot$

Density snapshot



Rotation profile

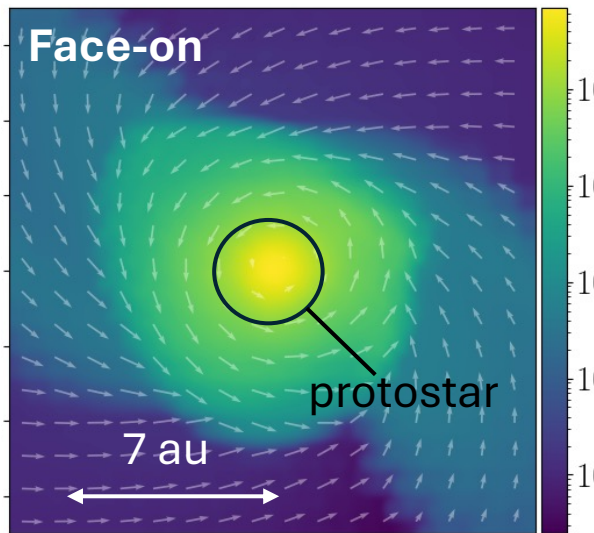


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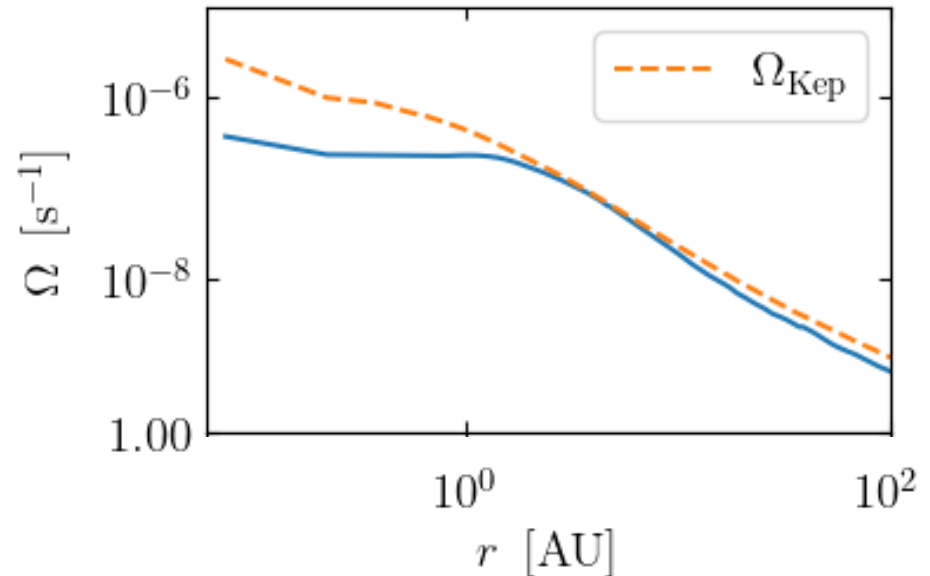
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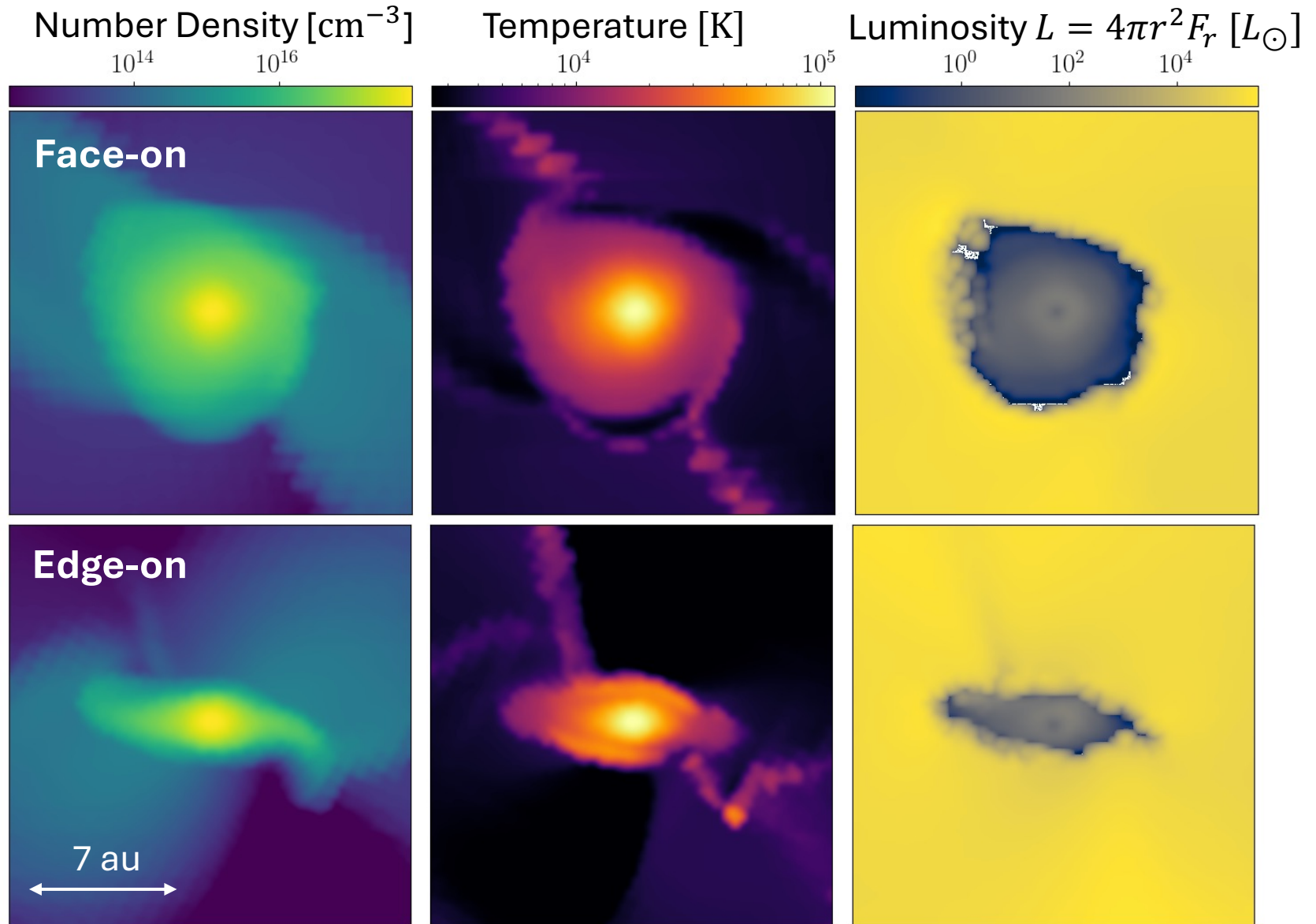
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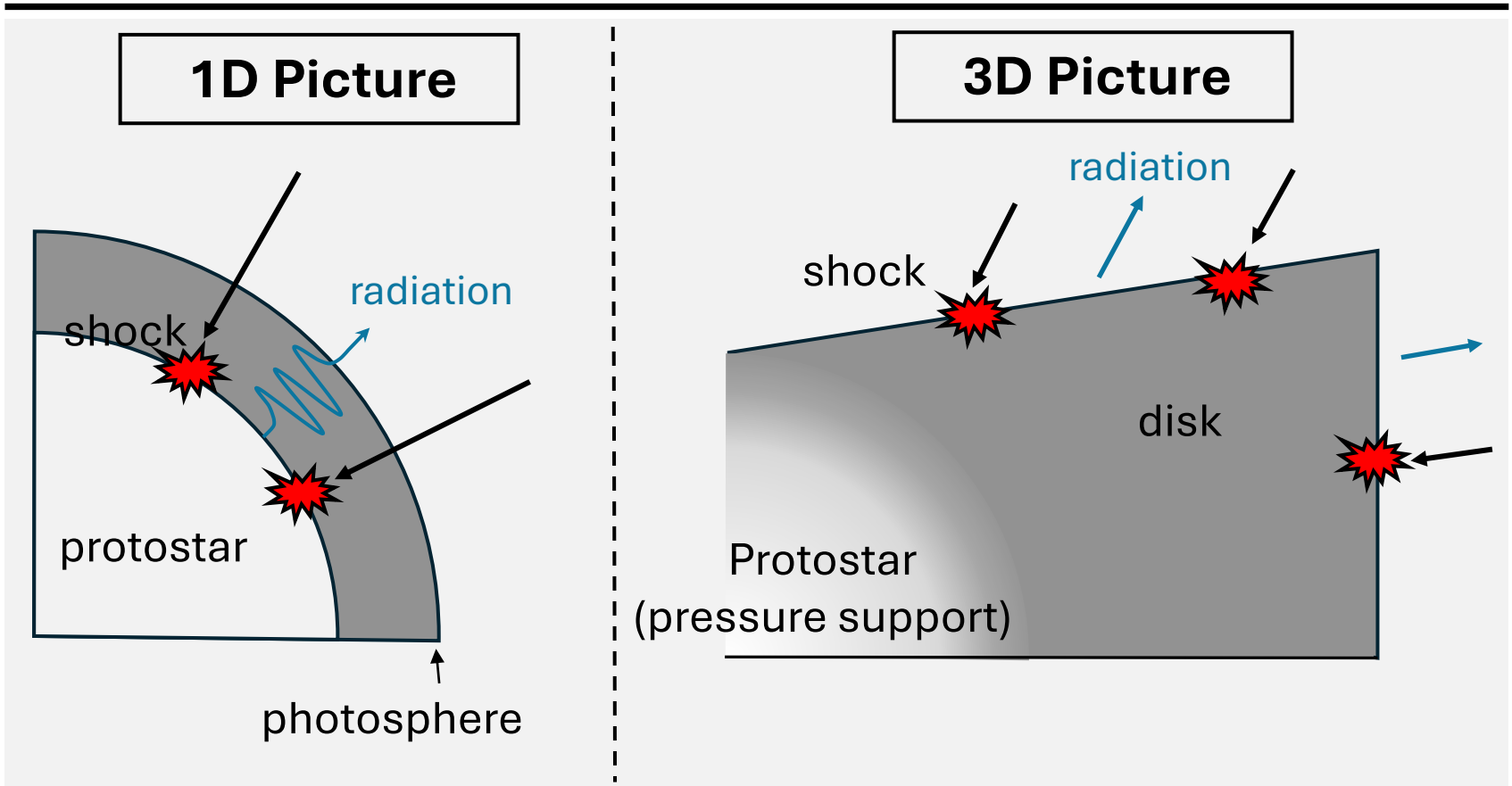
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# Hot and Optically Thick Disk

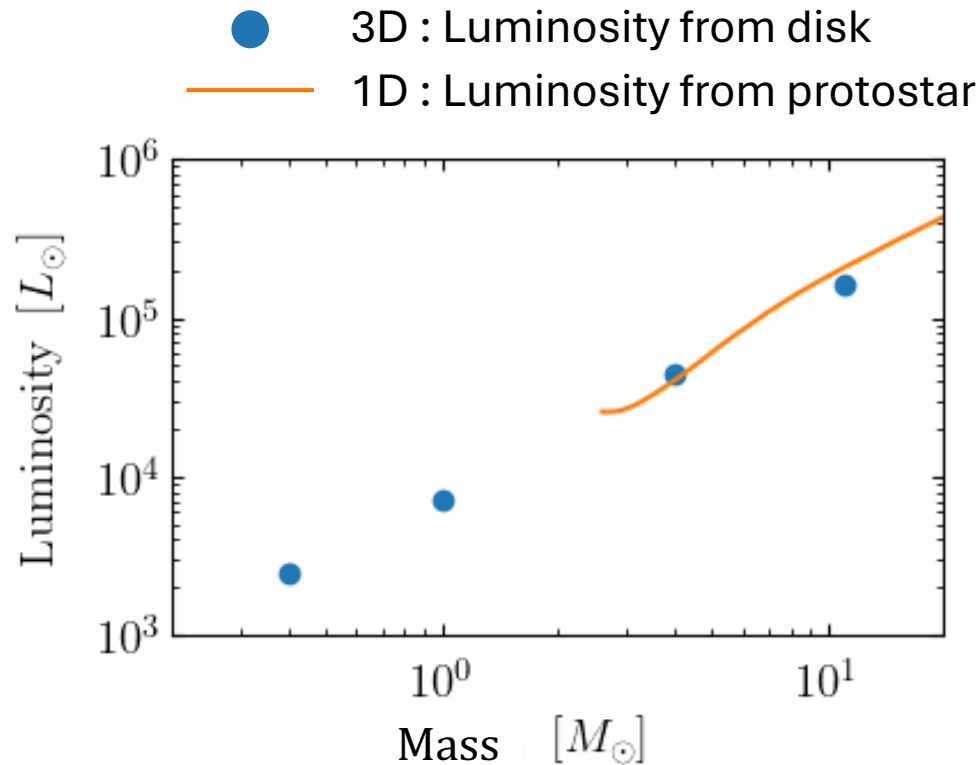


# Protostar and Disk Evolution in 3D



- No discontinuity between the protostar and disk.
- Thermal energy generated at the shock surface is stored into the disk.
- Accretion luminosity originates from the disk surface

# Luminosity Evolution



- Disk luminosity in 3D  $\approx$  Protostellar luminosity in 1D
- Disk is in the adiabatic accretion phase and gain entropy due to accretion.

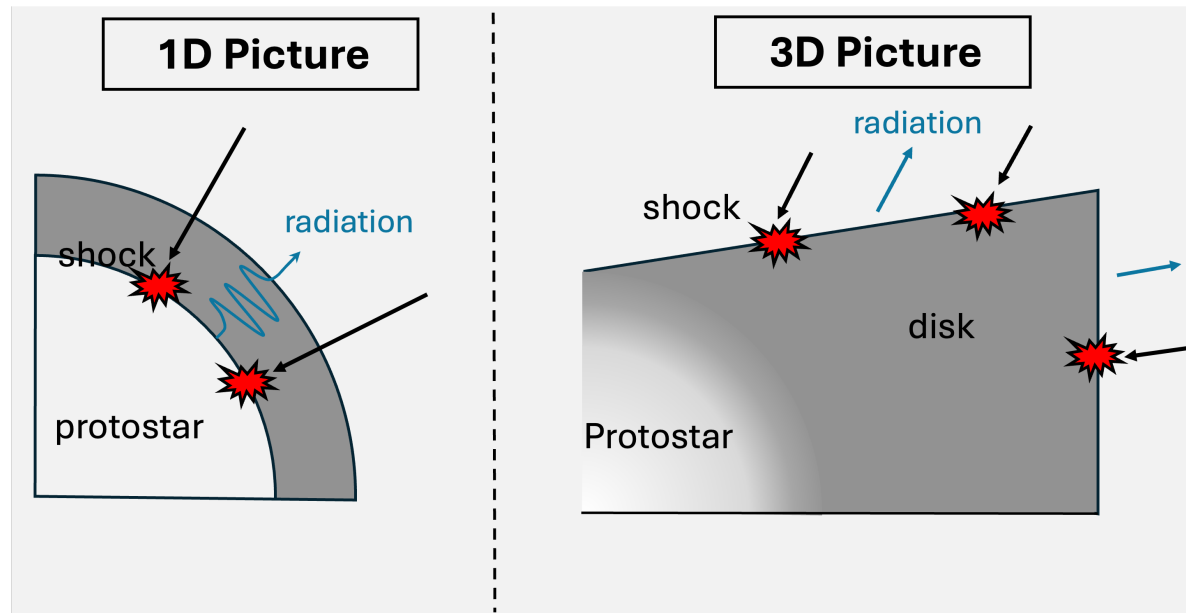
$$t_{\text{acc}} \equiv \frac{M_{\text{disk}}}{\dot{M}} < t_{\text{KH}} = \frac{GM_{\text{disk}}^2}{R_{\text{disk}} L_{\text{disk}}}$$

# Summary

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3D RHD simulation resolving accretion flow and protostellar interior.

- ✓ Smooth Protostar–Disk Transition.
- ✓ Radiation is emitted from the disk surface.
- ✓ Protostellar luminosity in 1D calculation corresponds to disk luminosity in 3D calculation.



Future work : revealing the quantitative impact on the final stellar properties