



Reionization Simulation for LOFAR

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Outline

- ◆ Motivation: Simulating observation
- ◆ The unknowns: Source properties, z, \dots
- ◆ Radiative Transport: 1D simulations & results
- ◆ N-body coupled with RT: Semi-Analytical approach
- ◆ Following signal path through

Simulating Observations

- Primary reason: Testing signal extraction algorithms (talk by Panos Labropoulos)
- Study influence of foregrounds (talk by Vibor Jelic)
- Understanding the effect of the ionosphere
- Feedback to the calibration team

Unknowns: The not so clear

- Power spectrum:

Stars : blackbody type

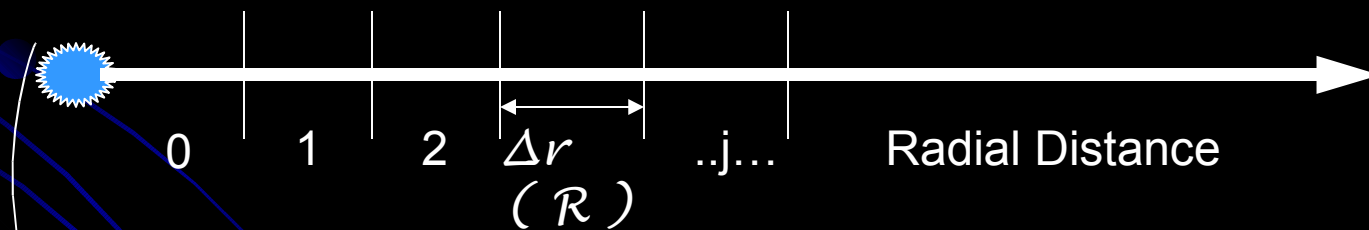
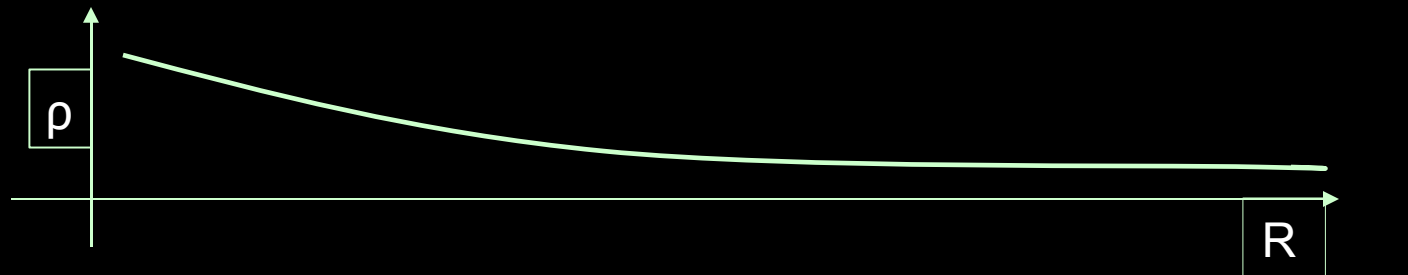
Quasars: power-law sources (index ?)

- Redshifts of Turn-ON/birth
- Clustering properties, dust, photon escape fraction
- Other complex feedback processes

Implies we need **MANY** and
LARGE simulations

Radiative Transport – 1D

- Returns 3 species fraction and temperatures (kinetic, spin, brightness) as function of radius



Source characteristics : total energy and distribution

Radiative Transport – 1D

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{n(\text{H II})}{n_{\text{H}}} \right] = \frac{R_{1c} n(\text{H I})}{n_{\text{H}}} - \frac{\alpha_{2,\text{H II}} n_{\text{e}}^2}{n_{\text{H}}}$$

$$R_{2c} = \gamma_{2c} + \beta_{2,\text{H I}} n_{\text{e}} + \int_{\epsilon_{2,\text{H I}}} c \sigma_{2f,\text{H I}} n_{\gamma}(\epsilon_{\gamma}) d\epsilon_{\gamma}$$

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$$+ \beta_{\text{He I}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He I})}{n_{\text{He}}} - \beta_{\text{He II}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He II})}{n_{\text{He}}}$$

$$- \alpha_{\text{He II}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He II})}{n_{\text{He}}} + \alpha_{\text{He III}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He III})}{n_{\text{He}}}$$

$$- \xi_{\text{He II}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He II})}{n_{\text{He}}},$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{n(\text{He III})}{n_{\text{He}}} \right] = \frac{n(\text{He II})}{n_{\text{He}}} \int_{\epsilon_{\text{He II}}} d\epsilon_{\gamma} \sigma_{\text{bf,He II}} c n_{\gamma}(\epsilon_{\gamma})$$

$$+ \beta_{\text{He II}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He II})}{n_{\text{He}}} - \alpha_{\text{He III}} n_{\text{e}} \frac{n(\text{He III})}{n_{\text{He}}}$$

Hydrogen

Ionizing spectrum

Collisional ionization

Helium-II

Recombination ionization

Recombination

Helium-III

Dielectronic
Recombination

Temperature Evolution

HEATING

COOLING

$$\frac{3}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{kT_e n_B}{\mu} \right) = \sum_{i=H I, He I, He II} n(i) c \int (\epsilon_\gamma - \epsilon_i) n_\gamma \sigma_{bf,i} d\epsilon_\gamma$$

$$- \sum_{i=H I, He I, He II} \xi_i n_e n(i)$$

$$- \sum_{i=H II, He II, He III} \eta_i n_e n(i)$$

$$- \omega_{He II} n_e n(He III)$$

$$- \sum_{i=H I, He I, He II} \psi_i n_e n(i)$$

$$- \lambda_c$$

$$- \theta_{ff} [n(H II) + n(He II) + 4n(He III)] n_e$$

$$- \frac{15}{2} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \left(\frac{kT_e n_B}{\mu} \right),$$

Secondary heating

Collisional-ionization

recombination

Dielectronic-recombination

Collisional-excitation

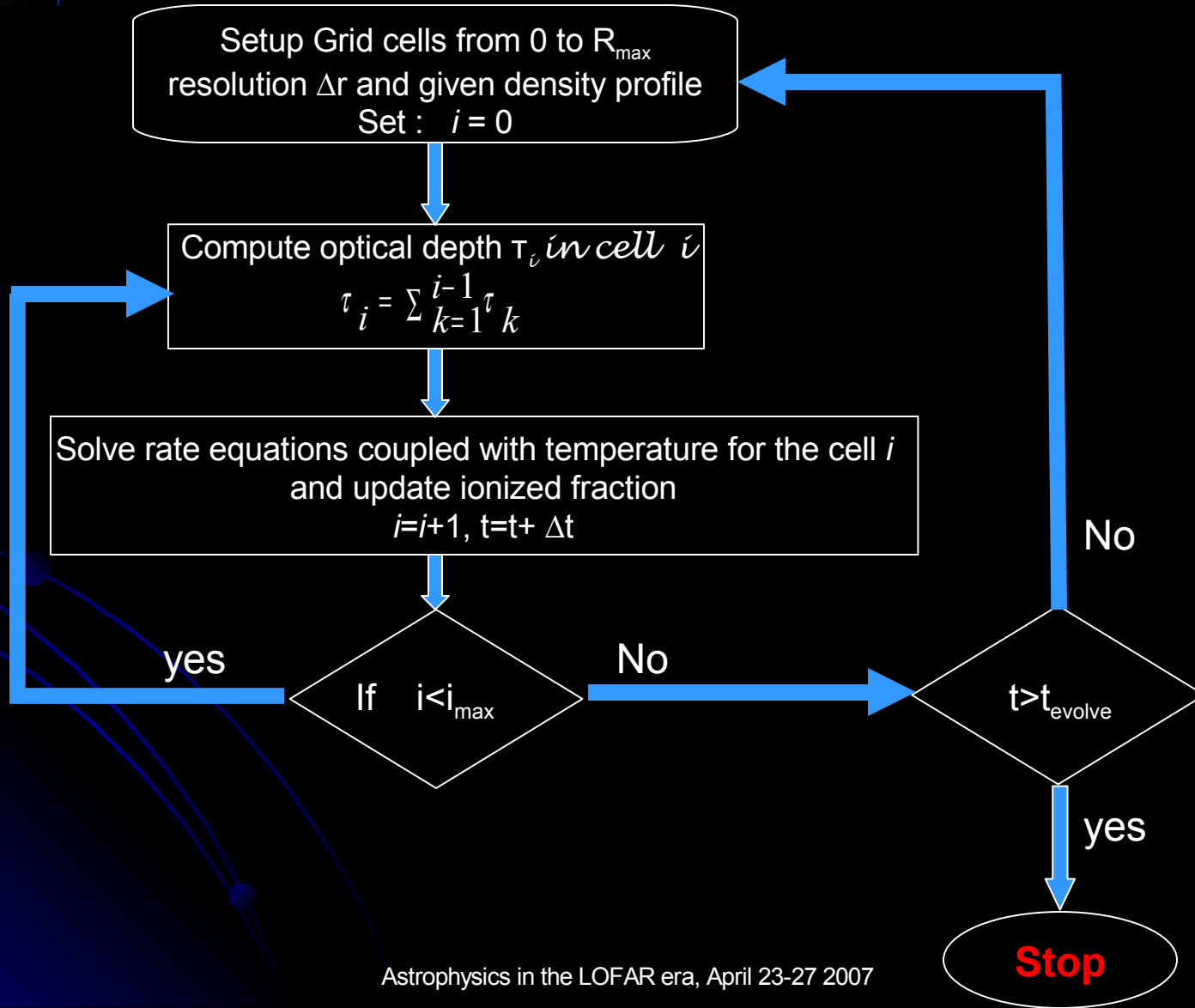
Compton

Free-free

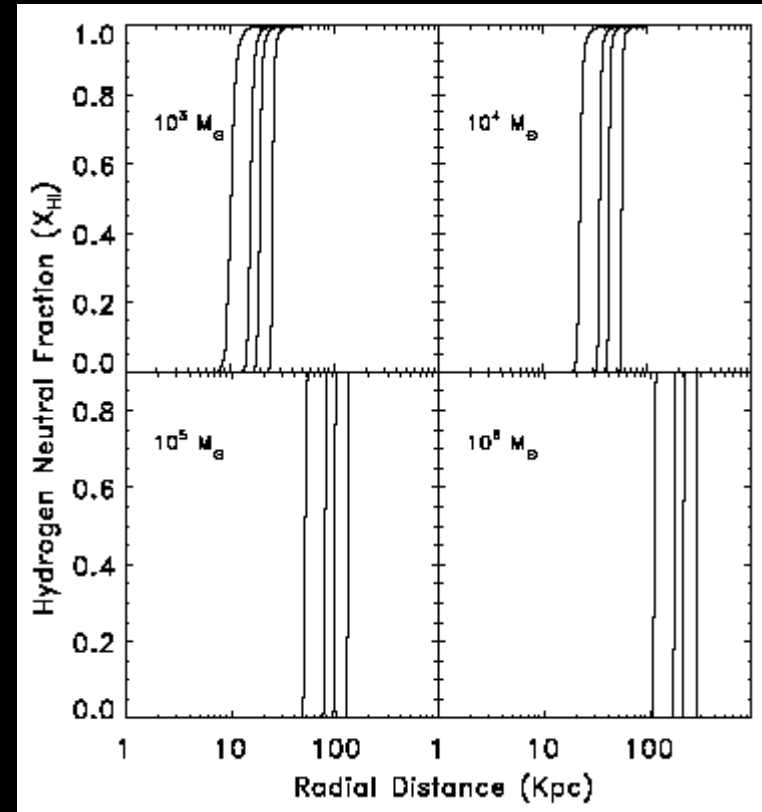
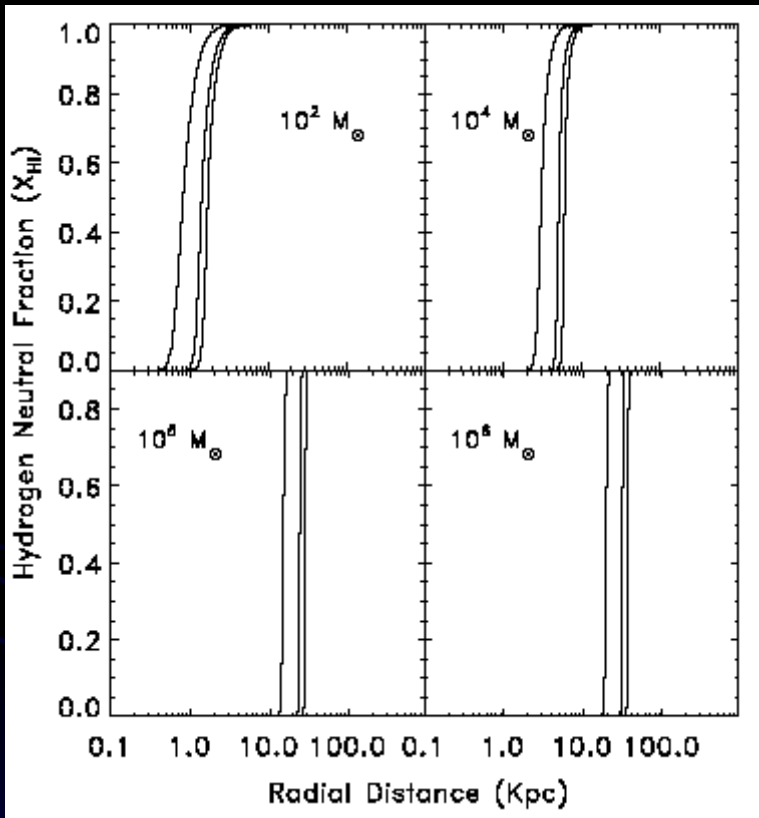
Hubble cooling



Radiative Transport: Algorithm



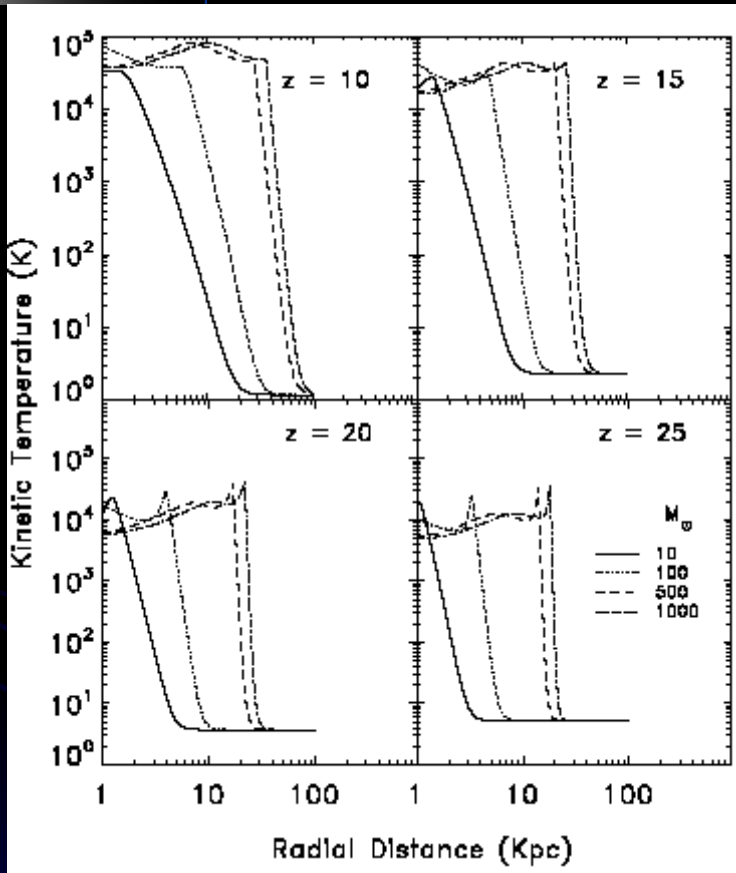
Some Results: ionized sphere



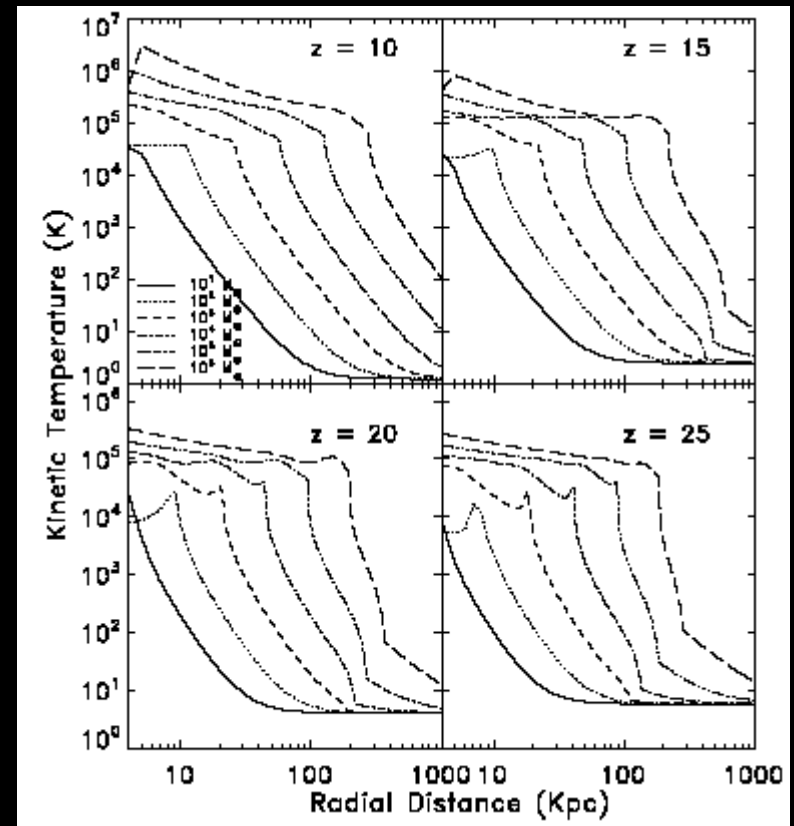
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Mini-quasars: power-law ($\alpha=1$)

Some Results: heating

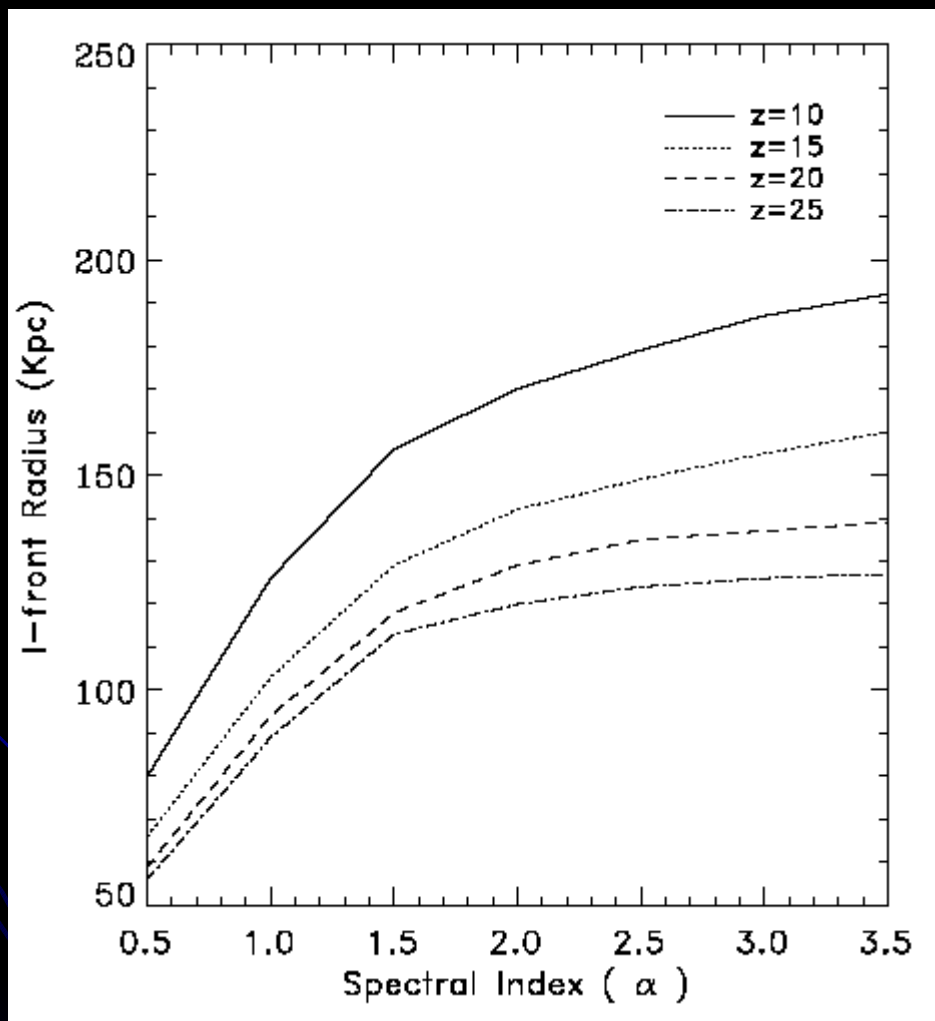


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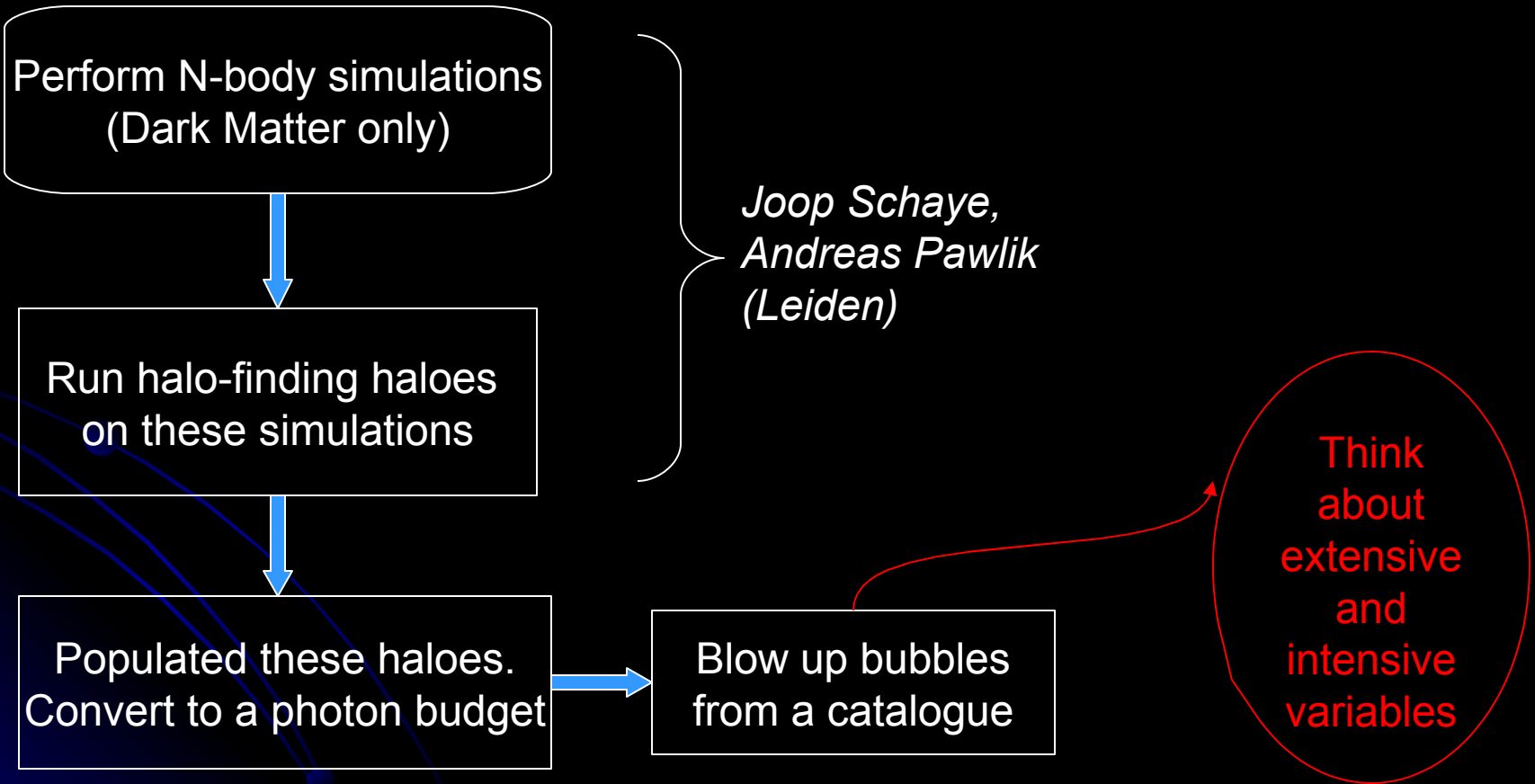


Mini-quasars: power-law ($\alpha=1$)

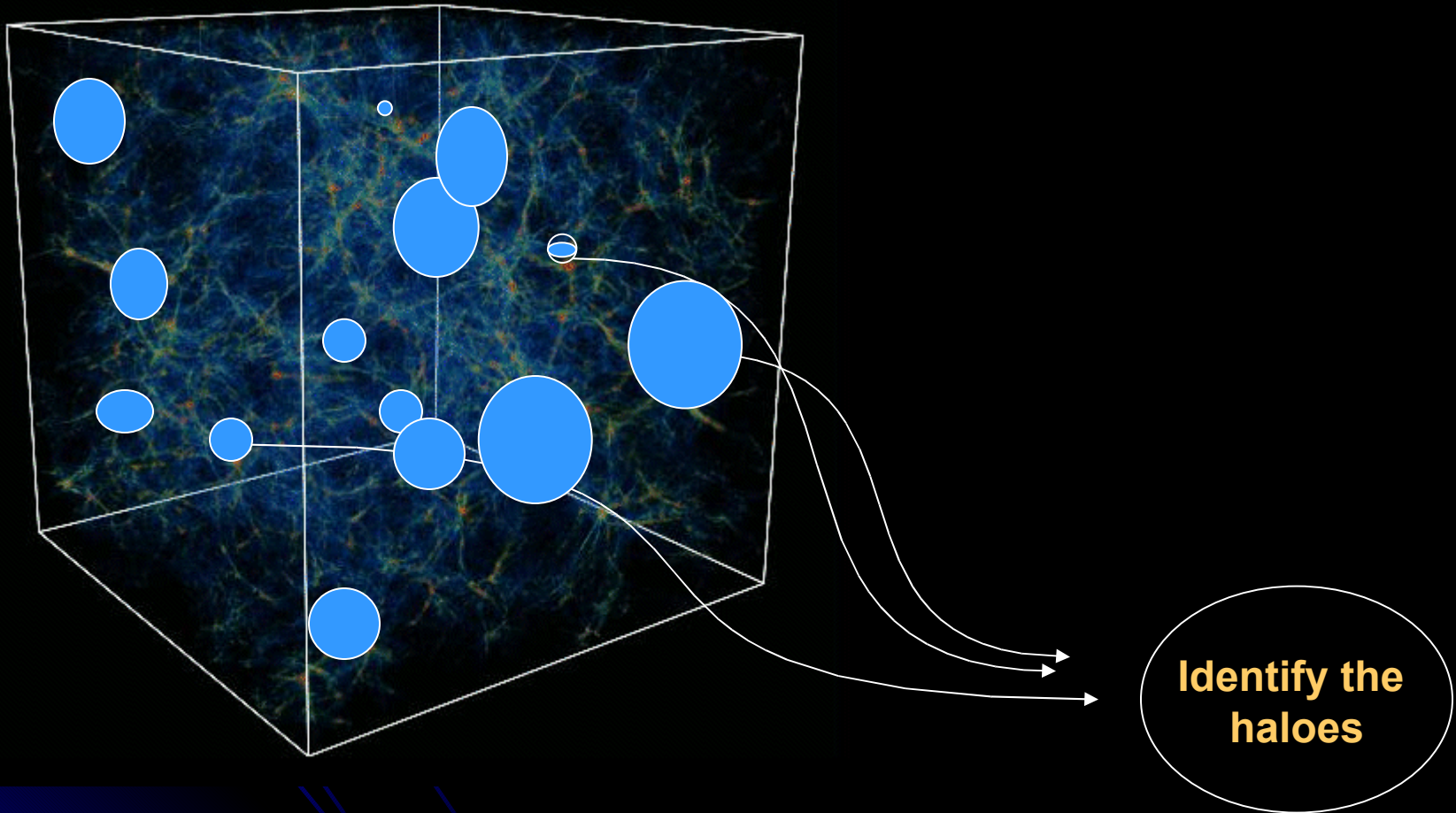
Some Results: Dependence of I-front on spectral index



Coupling with N-body semi-analytically

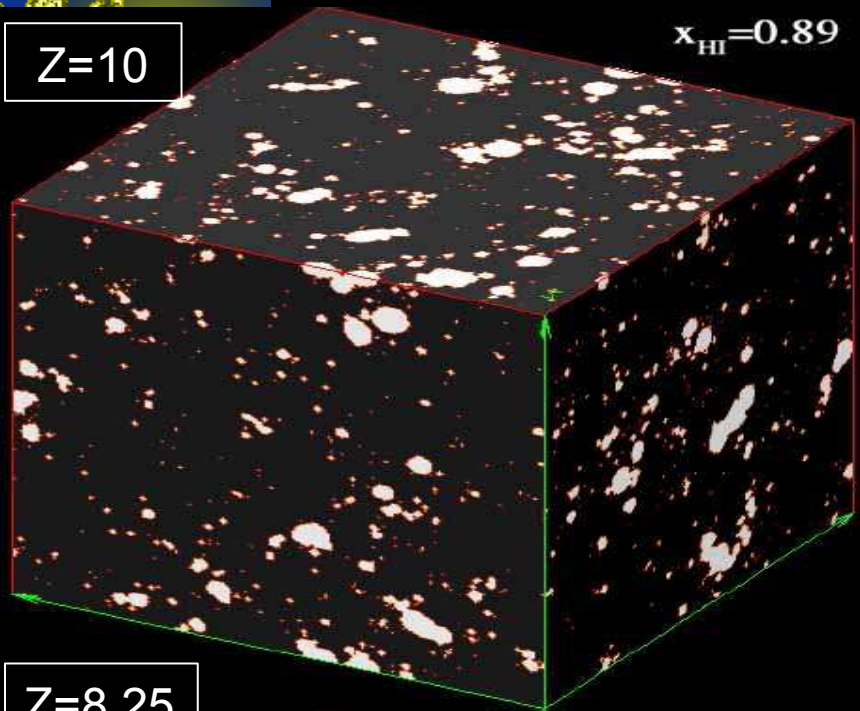


Semi-Analytics: 2



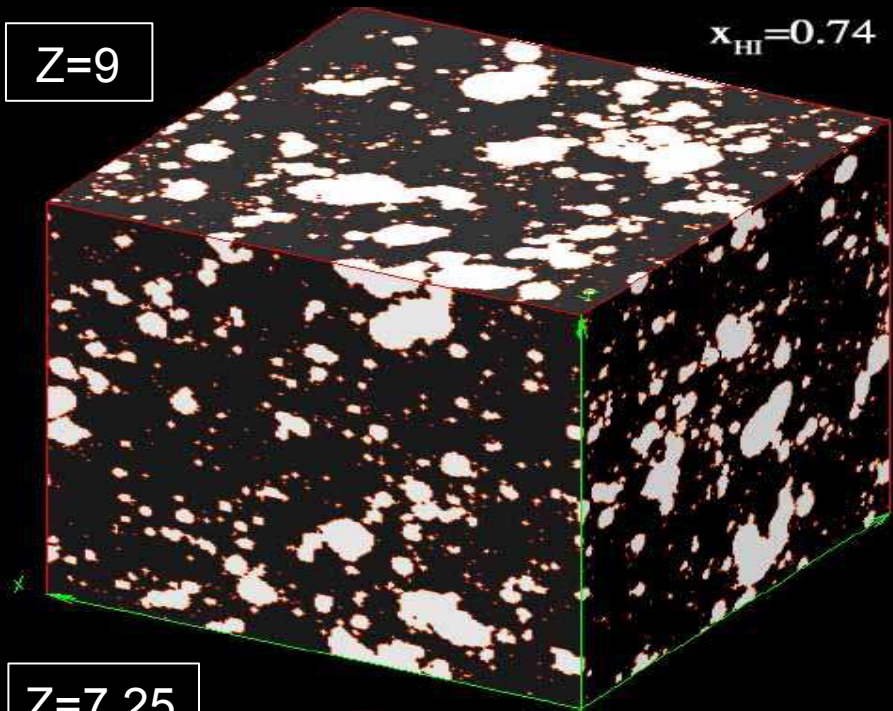
Z=10

$x_{\text{HI}}=0.89$



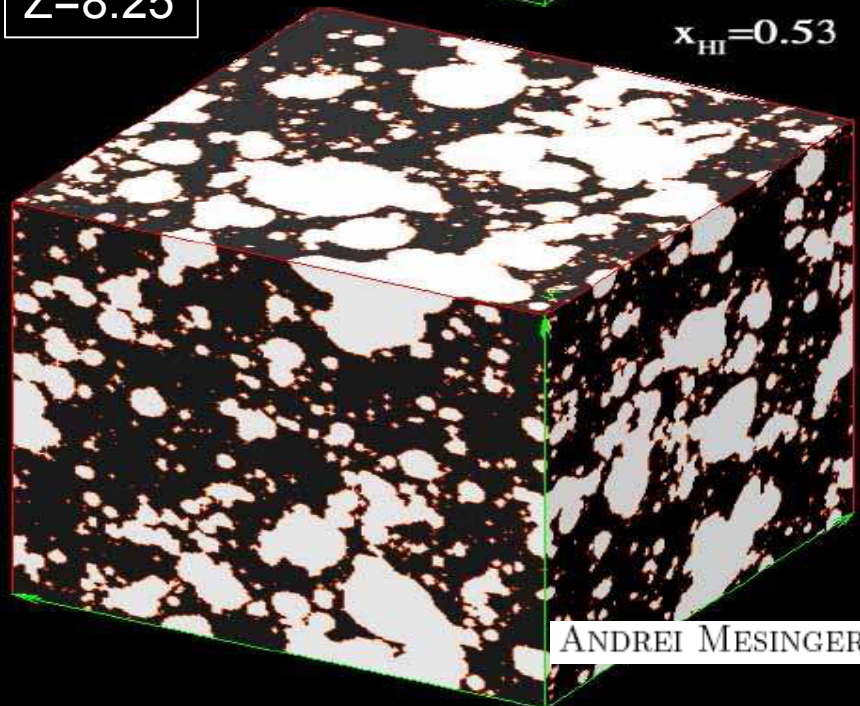
Z=9

$x_{\text{HI}}=0.74$



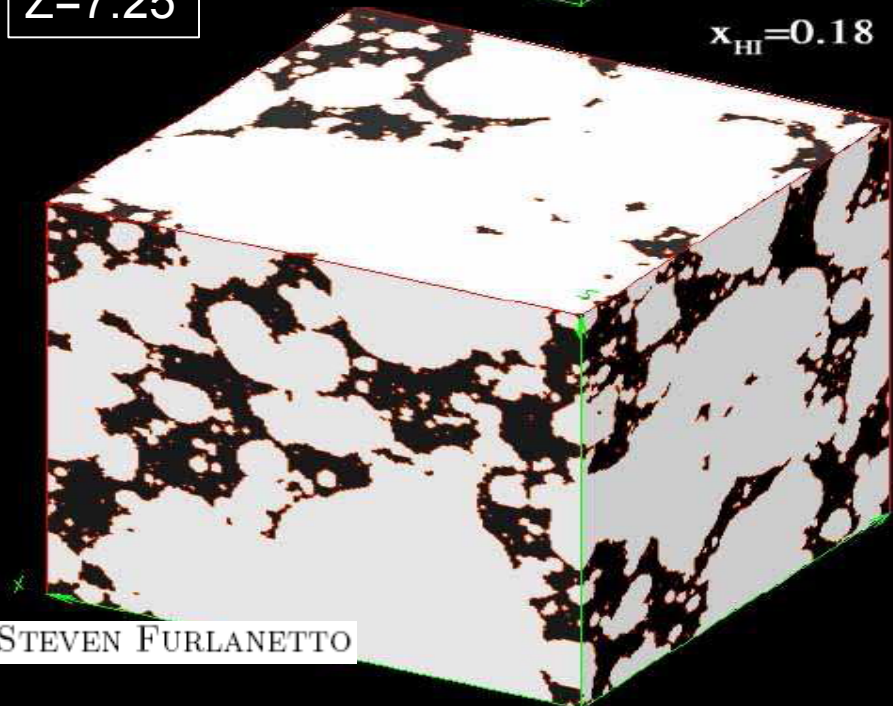
Z=8.25

$x_{\text{HI}}=0.53$



Z=7.25

$x_{\text{HI}}=0.18$





The Skeleton of the **PIPELINE** is in
place.

What is left is to add some meat!!