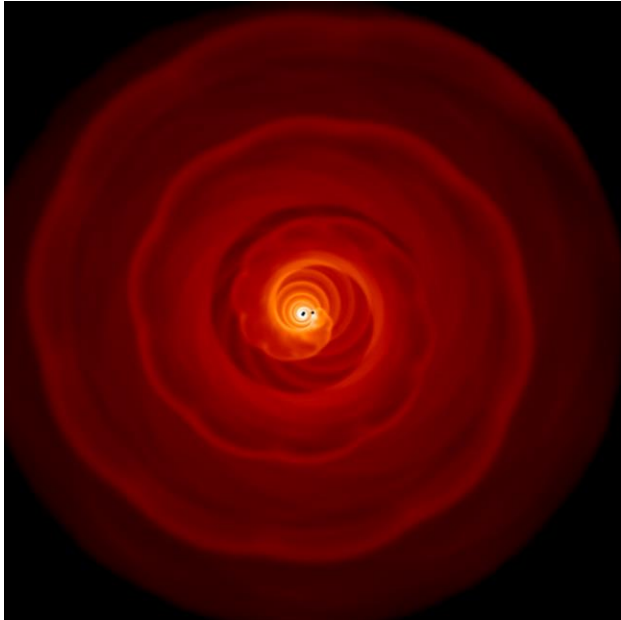


Dusty AGB stars

Science goals and modeling



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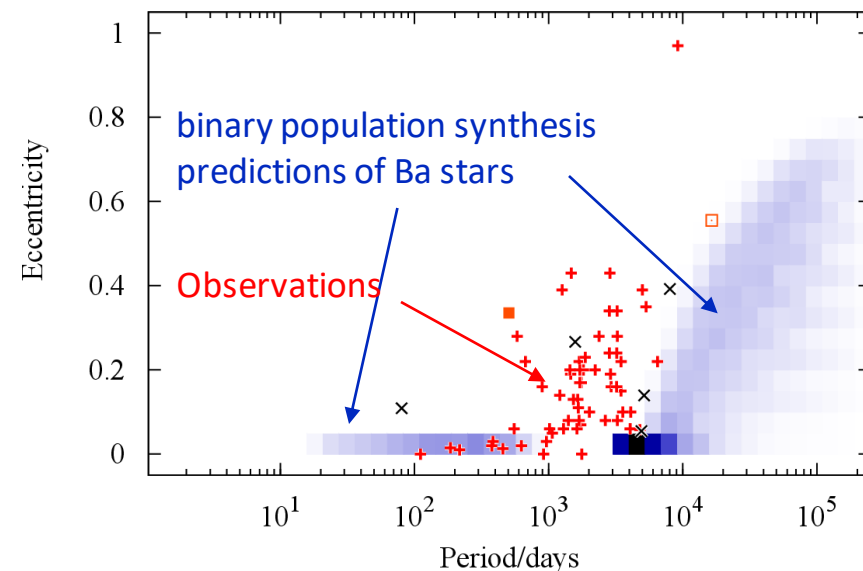




AGB stars, dust and binaries

- AGB stars are the site of a **unique nucleosynthesis** (e.g. fluorine, s-elements) that make them easy to identify spectroscopically
- Strong producers of **dust** which is the driver of **strong winds**
- The presence of a mass losing AGB star in a binary can
 - Strongly impact of the morphology of the circumstellar environment
 - Affect our estimates of the mass loss rate
 - induce mass exchange leading to
 - (*dusty*) **common envelope** evolution for short P system
 - Formation of chemically peculiar stars (Ba stars, CEMP, ...) with **puzzling orbital parameters**

AGB stars in binaries are excellent laboratories to study binary interactions but a consistent modeling of wind ejection and dust is required





Effect of dust on the hydro equations

Dust is opaque and can absorb radiation which translates into

- **radiation force** $\frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -\frac{\nabla P}{\rho} + \Pi_{\text{shock}} + \mathbf{a}_{\text{sink-gas}} + \mathbf{F}_{\text{rad}}$
 $a_{\text{sink-gas}} + F_{\text{rad}} = -\frac{GM_{\text{sink}}}{r^2} (1 - \Gamma)$ $\Gamma = \frac{(\kappa_g + \kappa_{\text{dust}}) L_*}{4\pi c GM} e^{-\tau}$
radiation force (points to \mathbf{F}_{rad})
dust opacity (points to κ_{dust})
optical depth (points to τ)
- **extra heating/cooling** because $T_{\text{dust}} \neq T_{\text{gas}}$
 $\frac{du}{dt} = -\frac{P}{\rho} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) + \Lambda_{\text{shock}} - \frac{\Lambda_{\text{cool}}}{\rho}$
 $\Lambda_{\text{cool}} = \frac{3R}{2\mu} \frac{(T_{\text{gas}} - T_{\text{dust}})}{C'} + \Lambda_{\text{HI}}$
gas-dust heat exchange (points to T_{dust})
- **drift terms**

Determination of T_{dust}

- Approximate solutions require calculation of **optical depth** $T_{\text{dust}}^4 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{R_*}{r} \right)^2} \right) T_*^4 e^{-\tau}$
- RT codes e.g. MCFOST



Implementation of mass loss

1. Given an injection radius, wind temperature and mass loss rate we calculate the *steady 1D wind profile*

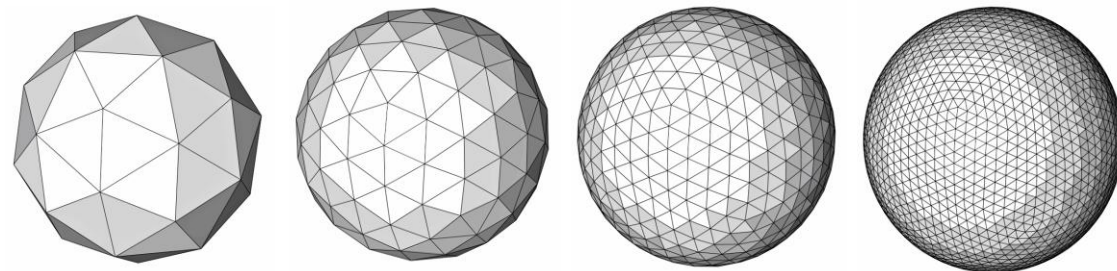
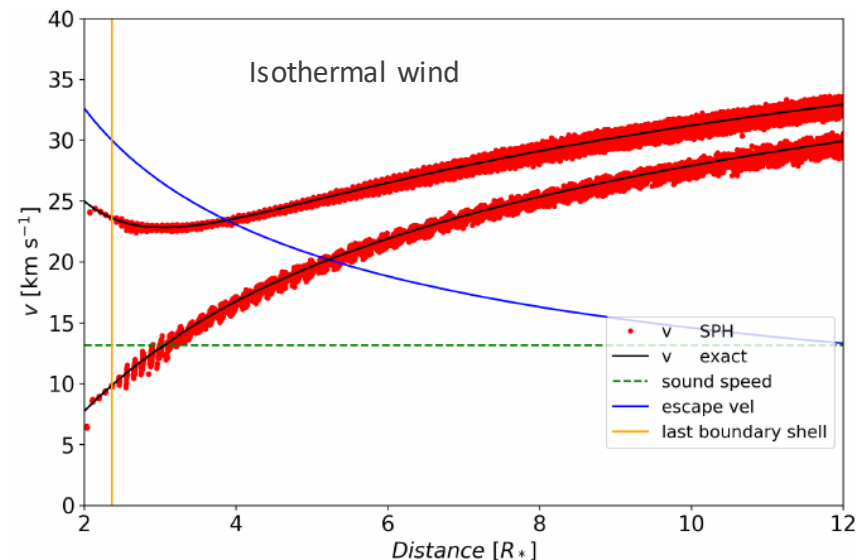
$$\frac{dv}{dr} = \frac{2c_s^2/r - GM_*(1 - \Gamma)/r^2 - (\gamma - 1)\Lambda/v}{v(1 - c_s^2/v^2)}$$

$$\frac{dT_g}{dr} = (1 - \gamma)T_g \left(\frac{2}{r} + \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dr} \right) + \frac{(\gamma - 1)\mu m_u \Lambda}{k v}$$

2. When particles are released, they are assigned the properties of the 1D wind solution (v, u)

3. The ejected particles are distributed on an isocahedron surface

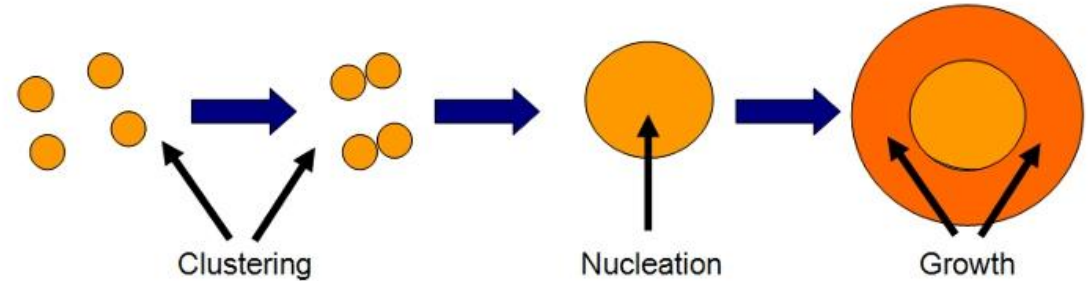
- The number of particles N is quantized
- Spheres are rotated between injections to remove artifacts





Dust formation

A two step process

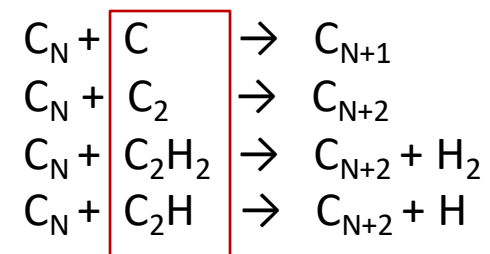


1. Nucleus formation

- Process operates at the molecular scale
 - seeds contain 100 to 1000 atoms
 - To compute the nucleation rate, we need abundances of *monomers* (dust building blocks)
- chemical network including 7 atoms : H, C, O, N, Si, S, Ti and 25 molecules (C₂, H₂, OH, H₂O, CO, CO₂, CH₄, C₂H, C₂H₂, TiO, SiO)
- we assume chemical equilibrium: no need to store individual abundances, only that of atomic carbon

2. Grain growth

- Gas molecules stick to the grain surface and make it grow
- The growth proceeds via





Dust evolution : Moment equations

This theory does not calculate the **grain size distribution** $f(N, t)$ but uses its moments \mathcal{K}_i to describe the global dust properties:

- Average grain radius $\langle a \rangle \propto \mathcal{K}_1 / \mathcal{K}_0$
- Average grain surface $\langle S \rangle \propto \mathcal{K}_2 / \mathcal{K}_0$
- Number monomers condensed in grains $\mathcal{K}_3 \propto \text{opacity}$

$$\mathcal{K}_i = \sum_{N=N_l}^{\infty} N^{i/3} f(N, t)$$

N is the number of monomers in the grain

The evolution of the moments is given by

$$\frac{d\widehat{J}_*}{dt} = \frac{\widehat{J}_*^s - \widehat{J}_*}{\tau_*}$$

$$\frac{d\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_0}{dt} = \widehat{J}_*$$

$$\frac{d\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_i}{dt} = \frac{i\widehat{\mathcal{K}}_{i-1}}{3\tau} + N_l^{i/3}\widehat{J}_*,$$

J_* : nucleation rate $f(T, P_i)$

τ^{-1} : rate of growth/destruction of the grains

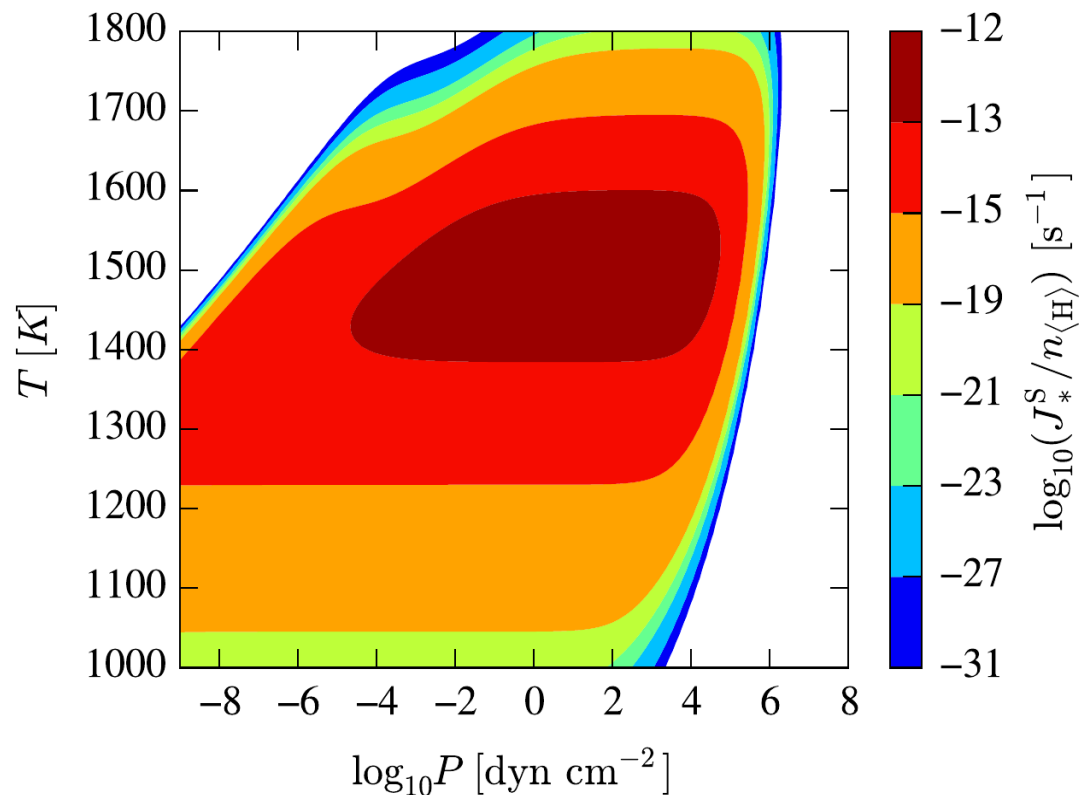
J_*^s : rate of formation of critical clusters

τ_* : relaxation time to equilibrium

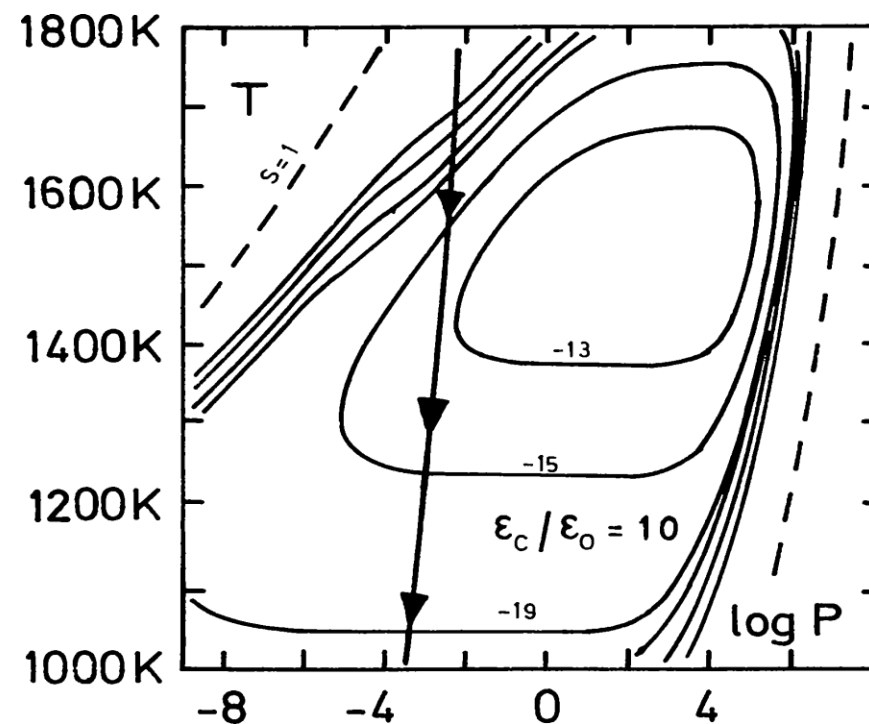
Each SPH particle now carries the information about the moments \mathcal{K}_i and J_*



Nucleation rate



Siess+ (2022) for C/O = 10

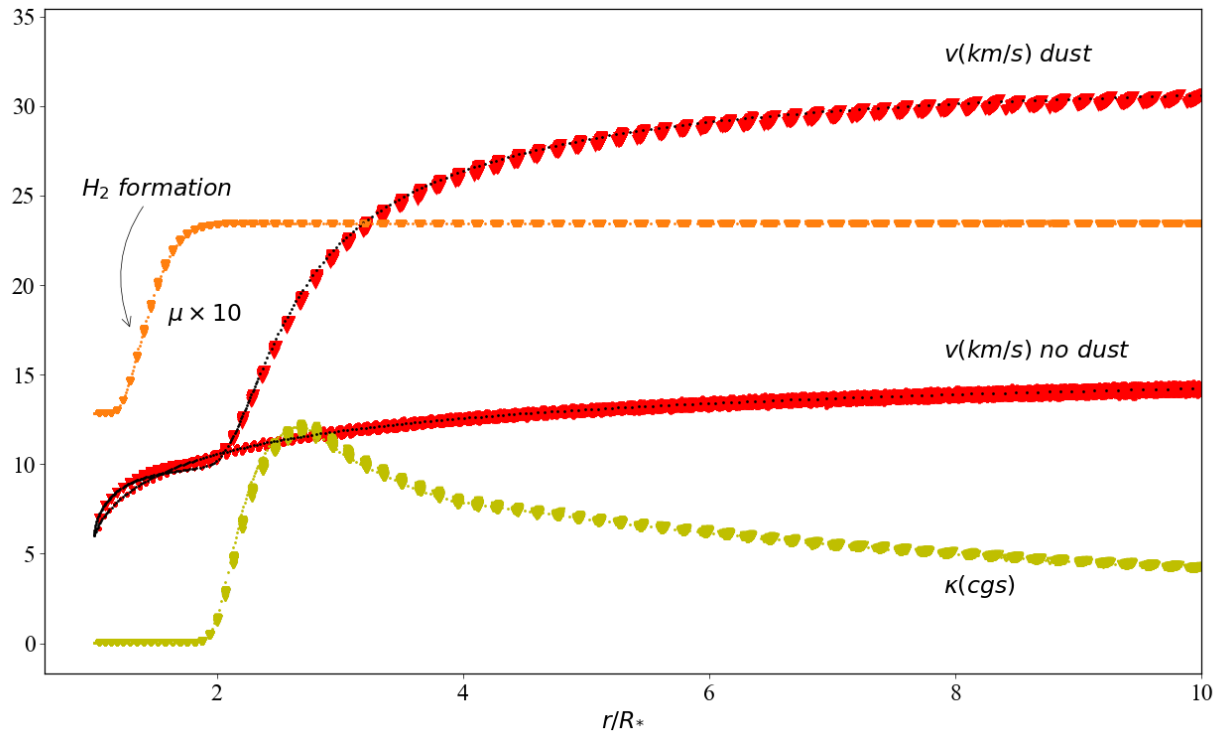


Gail & Sedlmayr (1984)

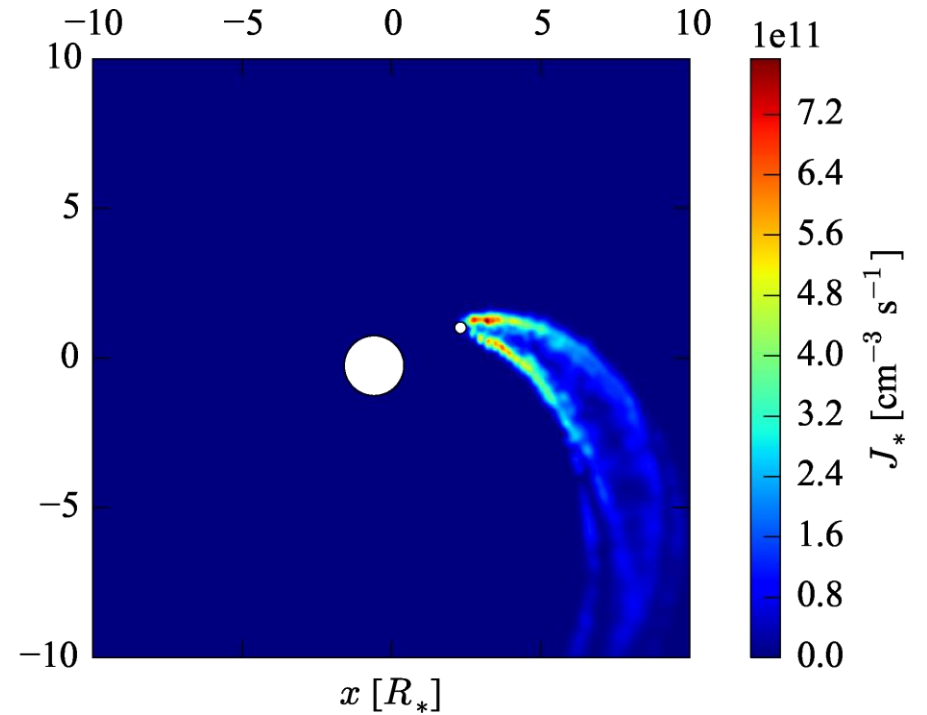


Dust in the wind

Dust can provide a strong wind acceleration



Siess+ (2022)



Nucleation rate high in the wake of the binary companion where density is higher



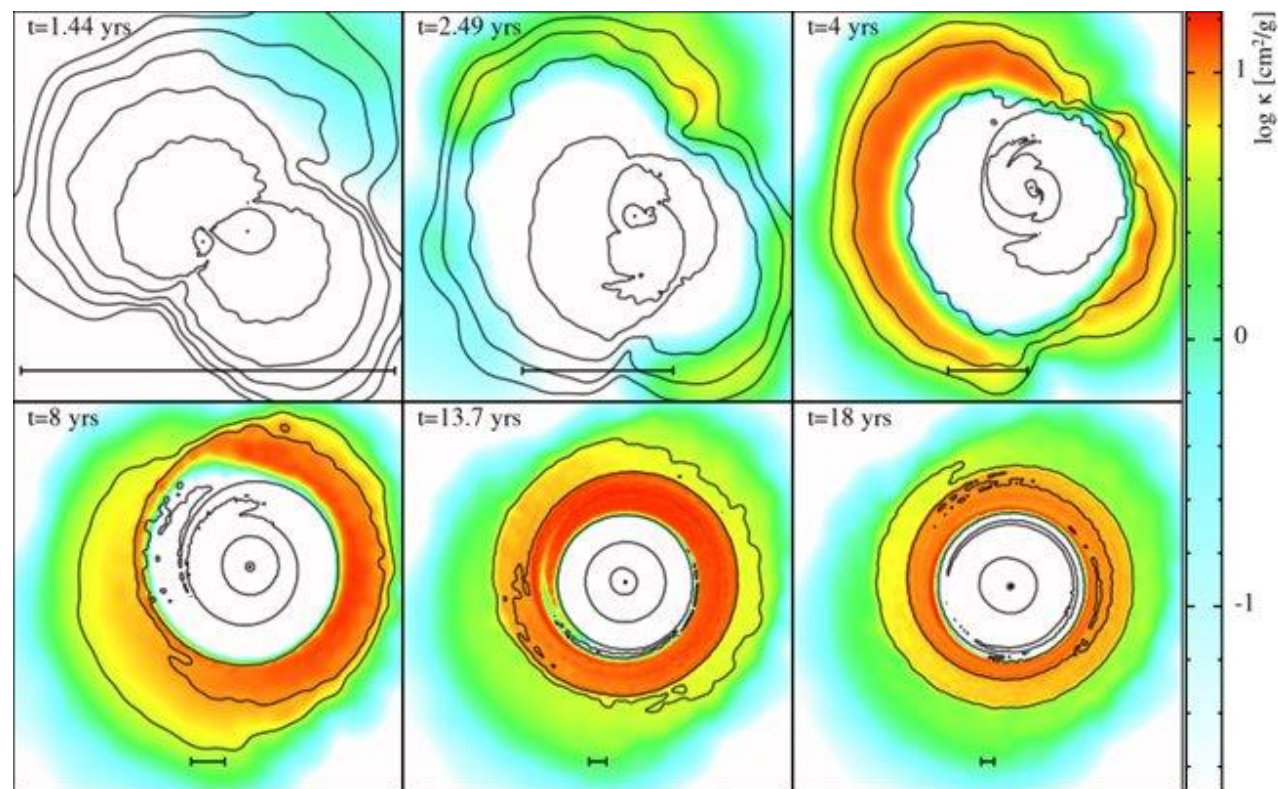
Dust in common envelopes

Dust forms in the expanding common evolution

Could have a significant impact on the observables

(Bolivar+ 2023, Bermudez+ 2023, in prep)

See Miguel's talk to follow



Bermudez+ (2023)



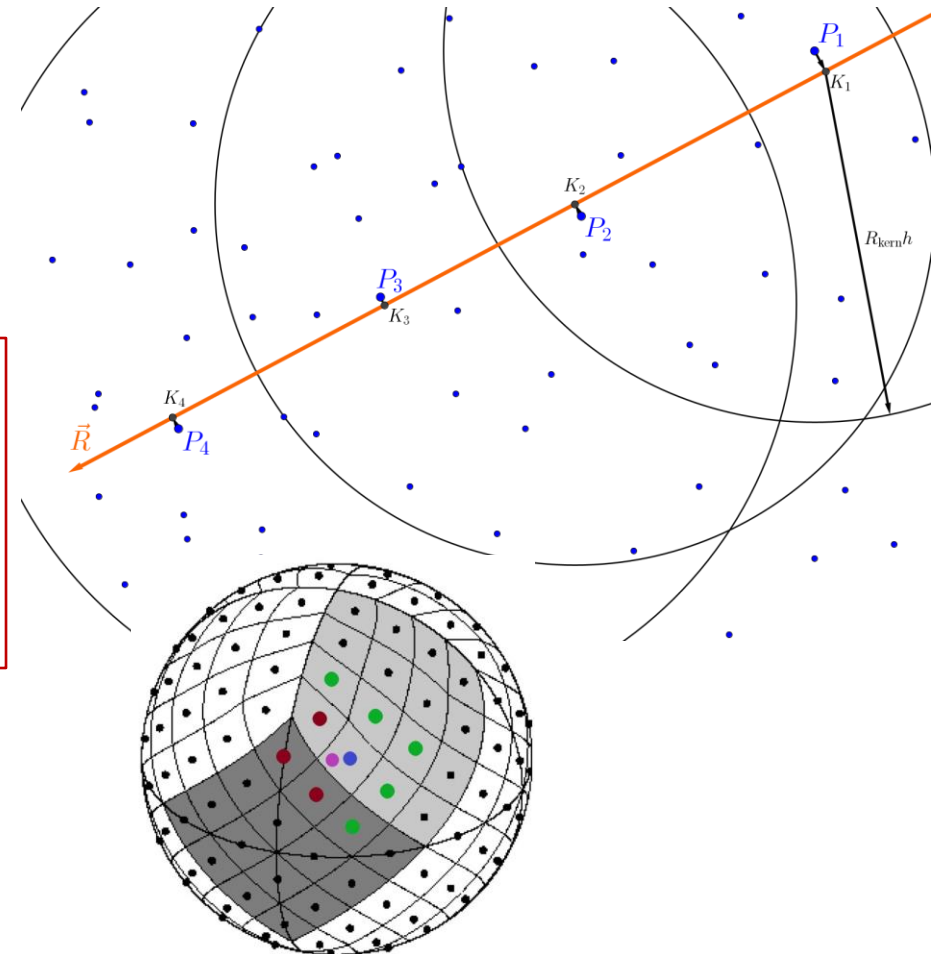
Ray tracer implementation

Algorithm adapted from the  Magritte code (de Ceuster)

1. A series of rays are emitted and evenly distributed on a sphere (HEALPix). Number of rays = $12 \times 4^{\text{order}}$
2. For each ray, do **outward integration** :

1. Start from a point P_i
2. Take all the nearest neighbors in the sphere of influence
3. Find the particle closest to the ray $\rightarrow P_{i+1}$
4. Calculate the optical depth increment $d\tau_i = \langle \kappa\rho \rangle ds_i$ along the segment $ds_i = P_i P_{i+1}$ using all $part. \in R_{kern}$

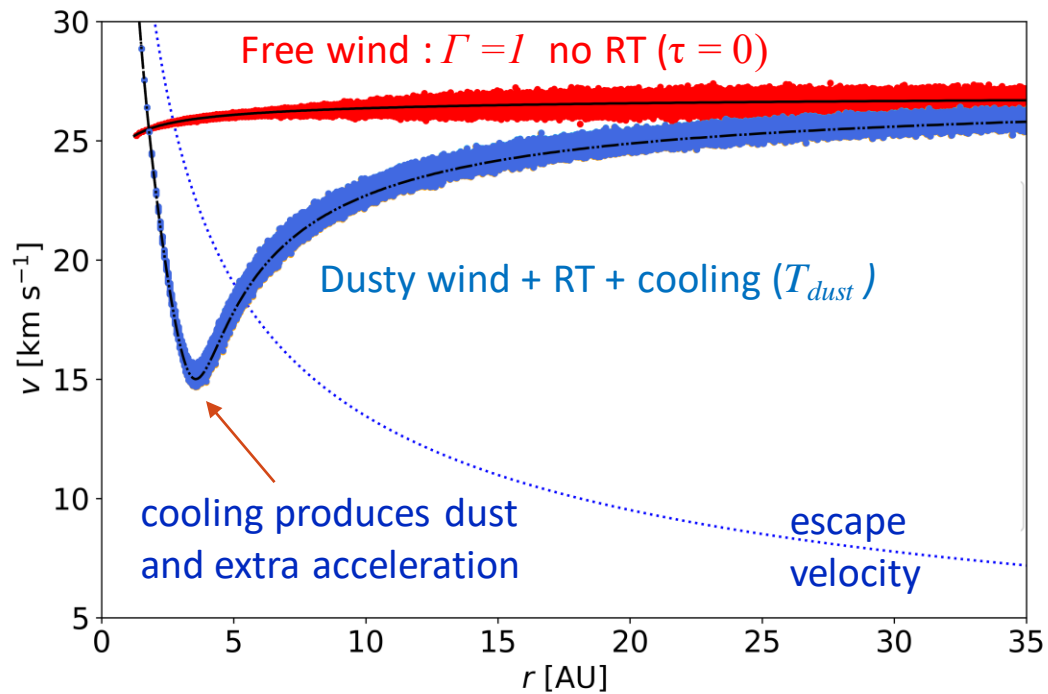
3. For each particle, find the closest rays (HEALPix) and do the **inward optical depth integration**, averaging the $d\tau_i$ contribution from the closest 4 rays



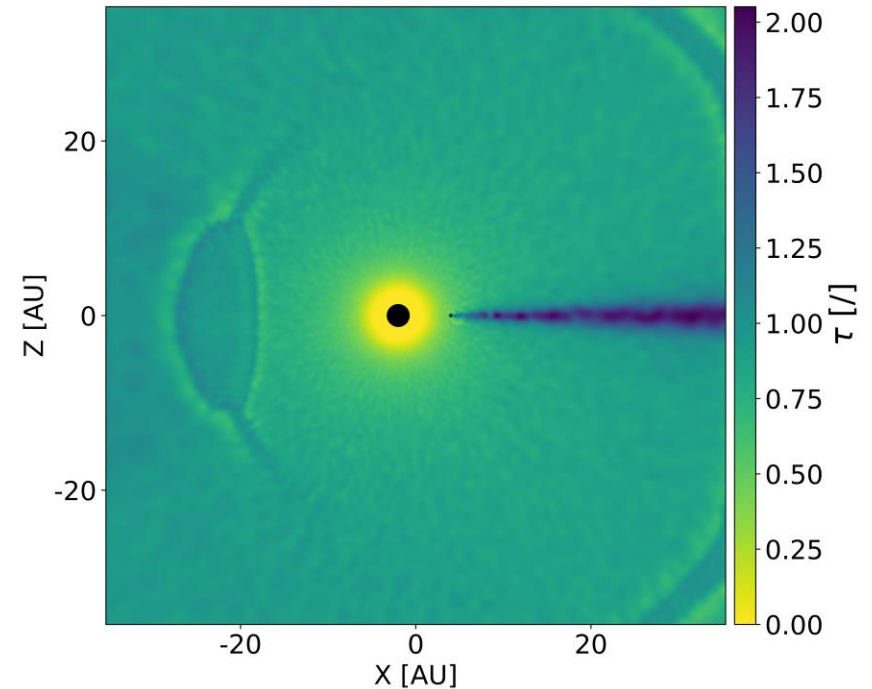


Preliminary results

Effective wind launching



Shadow cone generated by the AGB companion



Esseldeurs+ 2023 (in prep)



Future prospects

- **Radiative transfer** - coupling with MCFOST (started). Aim is **to recover grain size distribution from moments** so MCFOST can estimate T_{dust} , optical depth (τ), radiation force (Γ)
- **Cooling** - test numerical scheme + implement more accurate prescriptions (CO, H₂O line cooling, ...)
- **Pulsations** - improve wind launching mechanism. May need to solve the energy transport in the STAR
- **Chemistry**
 - Adapt dust formation to C-poor stars (C/O<1)
 - Chemistry in AGB outflows is complex --> chemical network emulator to get cooling rates and molecular abundances (Jolien's talk)
- **Dust-gas coupling**

With the goals to better understand

- ALMA observations, mass loss rates, binary interactions with an AGB primary
- Common envelope evolution and its optical counterpart (transients) ...
- Try it ! `writemake.sh wind > Makefile`