

*3D RT calculation on Escape of  
ionizing photons from forming  
galaxies*

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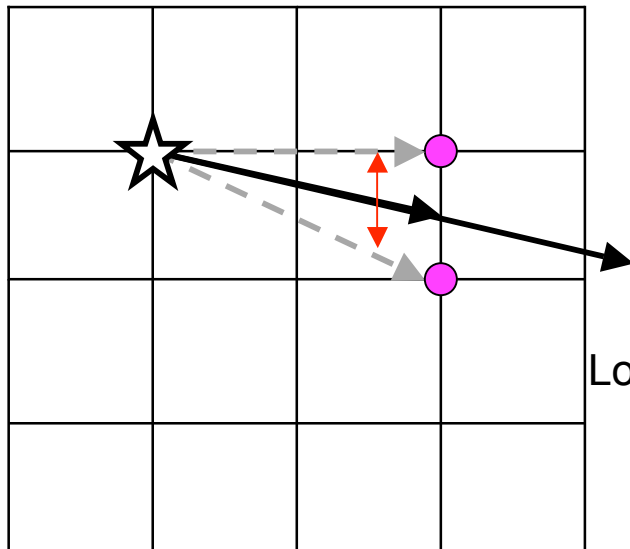
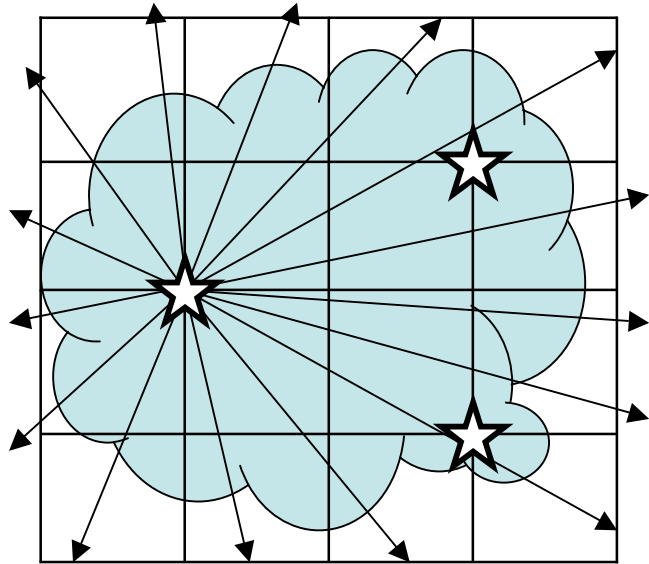
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# ART method



## Authentic Ray Tracing Method ART-type 1 (point source version)

(type2 → Chizuru's talk!)

- Radiation meshes are arranged radially from each source independently of fluid meshes.

- The radiation field on fluid meshes are estimated by interpolating from near radiation meshes.

- The order of calculation amount

$$N_{source} \times \underbrace{N_{\theta} \times N_{\phi}}_{\text{radiation meshes}} \times N_{path}$$

Long characteristic method:  $N_{source} \times \underbrace{N_x \times N_y \times N_z}_{\text{fluid meshes}} \times N_{path}$

Basic equation: 
$$\frac{dI_v}{ds} = -\alpha_{abs} I_v + \epsilon_v$$

# Test calculation

## Stromgren sphere

Hydrogen only

Uniform density  $\rightarrow n_{\text{HI}} = 1 \text{ /cm}^3$

Uniform temperature  $\rightarrow T = 10^4 \text{ K}$

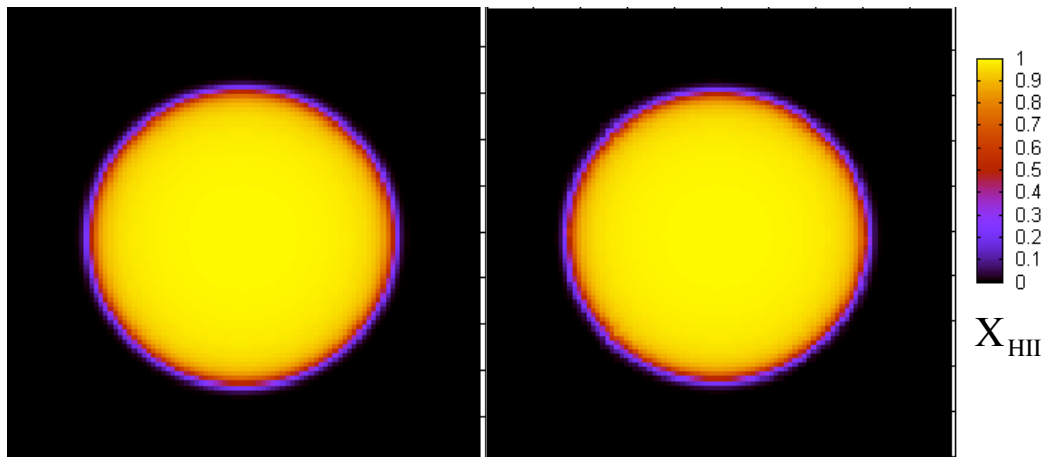
luminosity :  $6.9 \times 10^{45}$  photon/s

SED: Black body ( $10^5 \text{ K}$ )

Analytical solution

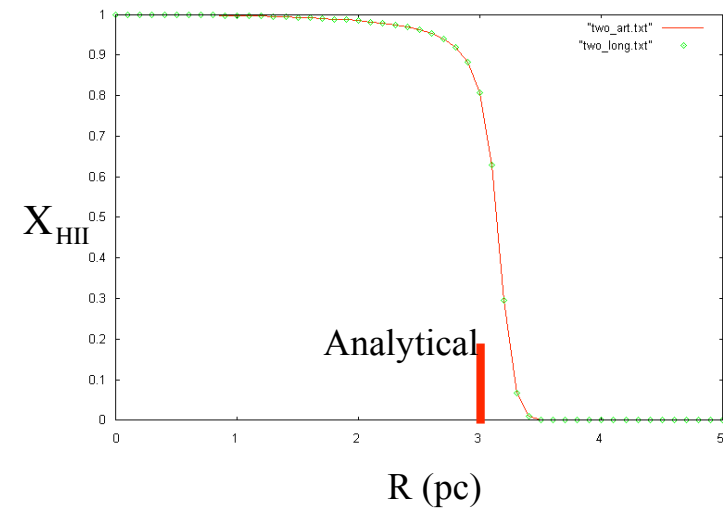
$$N_{\gamma} = \frac{4}{3} \pi \alpha_{\text{B}} n_{\text{H}}^2 r_s^3$$

$$r_s \cong 3.0 \text{ pc}$$



(Long)

(ART)



# Test calculation

## Effect of dust in HII region

Hydrogen + dust (dust-to-gas ratio = 0.01)

Uniform density  $\rightarrow n_{\text{HII}} = 1 / \text{cm}^3$

Uniform temperature  $\rightarrow T = 10^4 \text{ K}$

luminosity :  $5.5 \times 10^{53}$  photon/s

SED: Black body ( $10^5 \text{ K}$ )

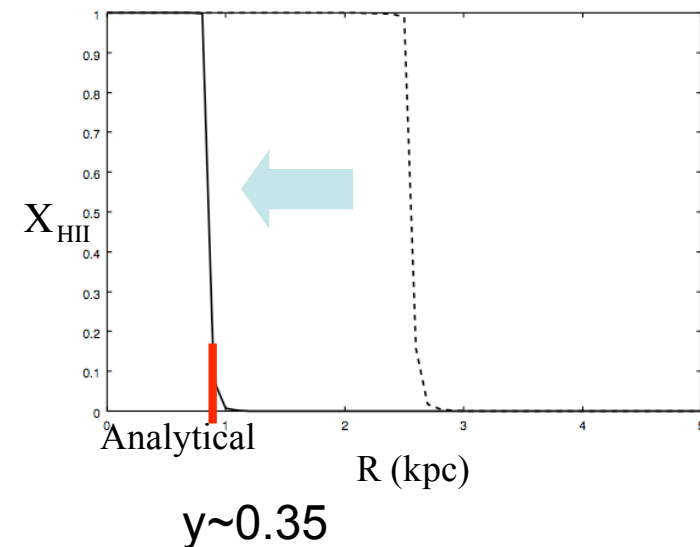
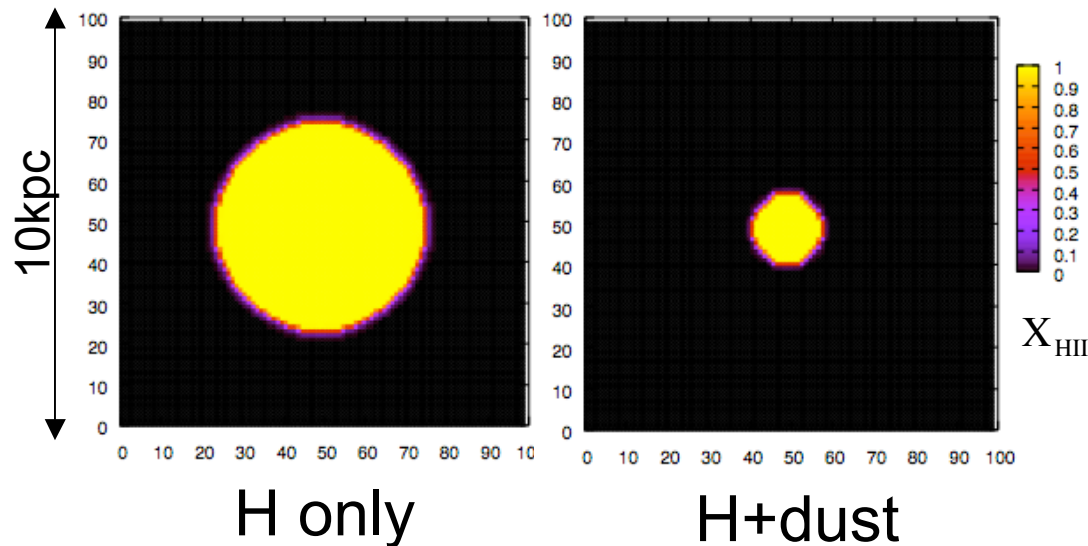
Analytical estimation  
(Spitzer 1977)

$$r_s \cong 2.6 \text{ kpc}$$

$$\tau_{\text{sd}} = 10$$

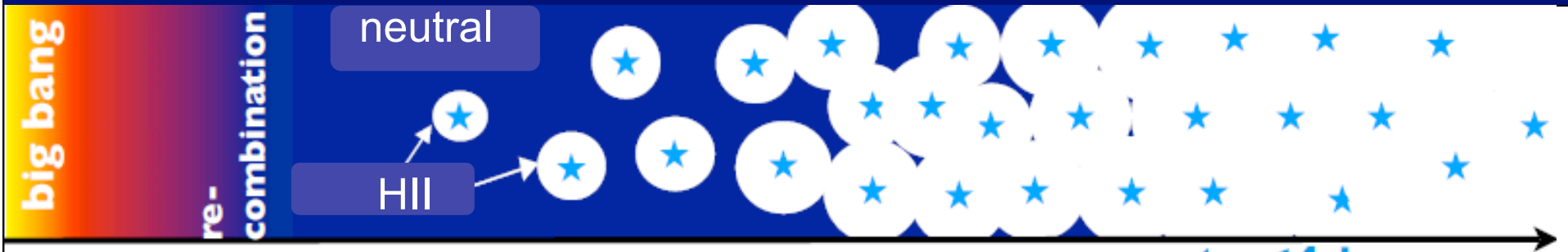
$$y = \frac{r_i}{r_s} = 0.37$$

$$r_i = 0.95 \text{ kpc}$$

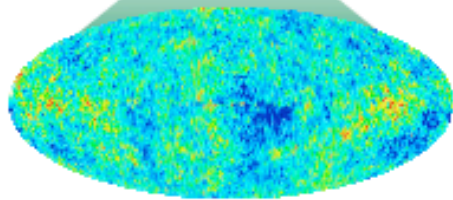


Application  
to  
ionization structure in forming galaxies

# Cosmic Reionization



WMAP 3-year



Thomson scattering optical depth

$$\tau_e = 0.093 \pm 0.029$$

(Spergel et al. 2006)

$$\tau_e(z) = \int_0^z \sigma_T n_e(z') c \left| \frac{dt}{dz'} \right| dz'$$



reionization redshift

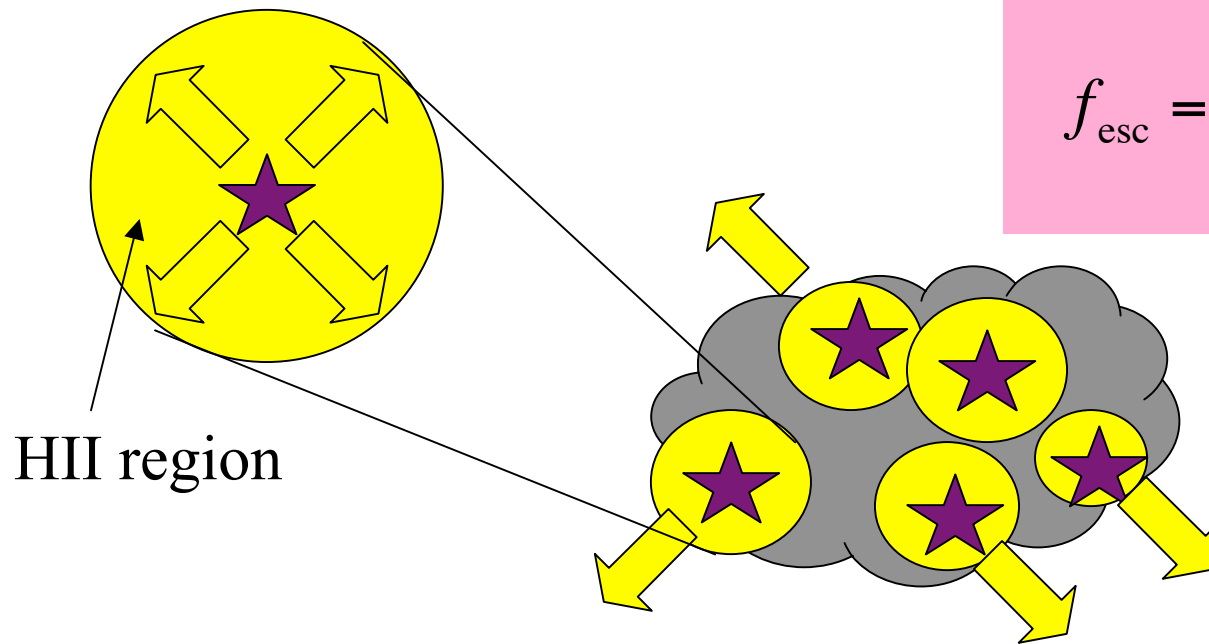
$$z_r = 10.9^{+2.7}_{-2.3}$$

What are the ionizing sources at  $z > 4$ ?

The major candidates of ionizing sources are Lyman alpha emitters (**LAEs**) and Lyman break galaxies (**LBGs**).

# Escape fraction

**Escape fraction( $f_{\text{esc}}$ )** ... The ratio of photon number escaped from a galaxy to photon number radiated by stars.



$$f_{\text{esc}} = \frac{N_{\text{int}}^{\gamma} - N_{\text{abs,HI}}^{\gamma} - N_{\text{abs,DUST}}^{\gamma}}{N_{\text{int}}^{\gamma}}$$

Escaped photons → Ionization of the IGM

The escape fraction of ionizing photons can control the UV background intensity and hence has a close relation to the cosmic reionization process.



# Previous works(Observation)

There are some observational estimations of escape fraction at  $z \sim 3$ .

(Steidel et al. 2001)  $f_{\text{esc}} \sim 60\%$  (stack data)

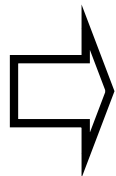
(Giallongo et al. 2002)  $f_{\text{esc}} \leq 5\%$  (no detection  $\rightarrow$  upper limit)

(Inoue et al. 2005)  $f_{\text{esc}} \leq 38\%$  (no detection  $\rightarrow$  upper limit)

(Shapley et al. 2006)  $f_{\text{esc}} \sim 14\%$  (2 object)

(Iwata et al. 2008)  $f_{\text{esc}} \geq 15\%$  (16 object)

However detected young galaxies with ionizing photons are few.  
(Shapley et al. 2006, Iwata et al. 2008)



**The typical value of escape fraction of high- $z$  galaxies has not been understood yet.**

# Previous works(Simulation)&Objective

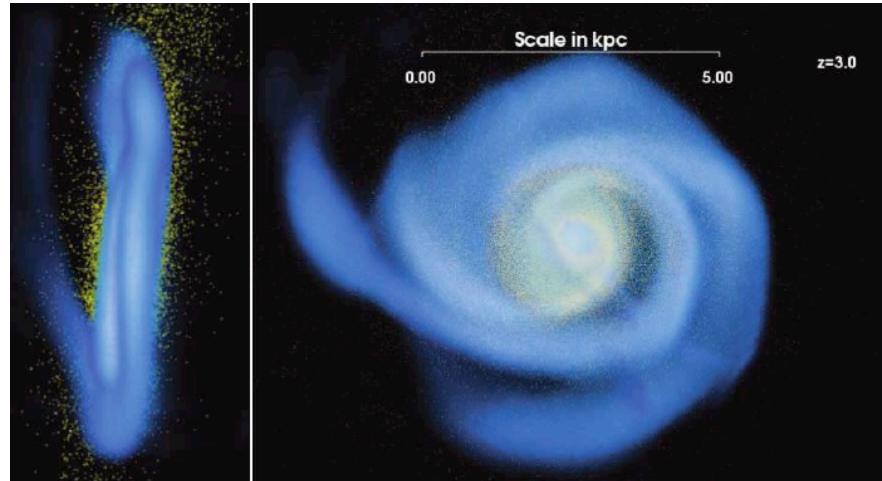
## Previous works(simulation)

Gnedin et al. 2008

$$\longrightarrow f_{\text{esc}} \leq 3\%$$

Their model galaxies are disk galaxies (see also Lazoumov et al. 2006, 2007).

	Disk	Irregular
$f_{\text{esc}}$	~3%	?



LAEs and LBGs may be irregular galaxies(Mori&Umemura2006).

## Our objective

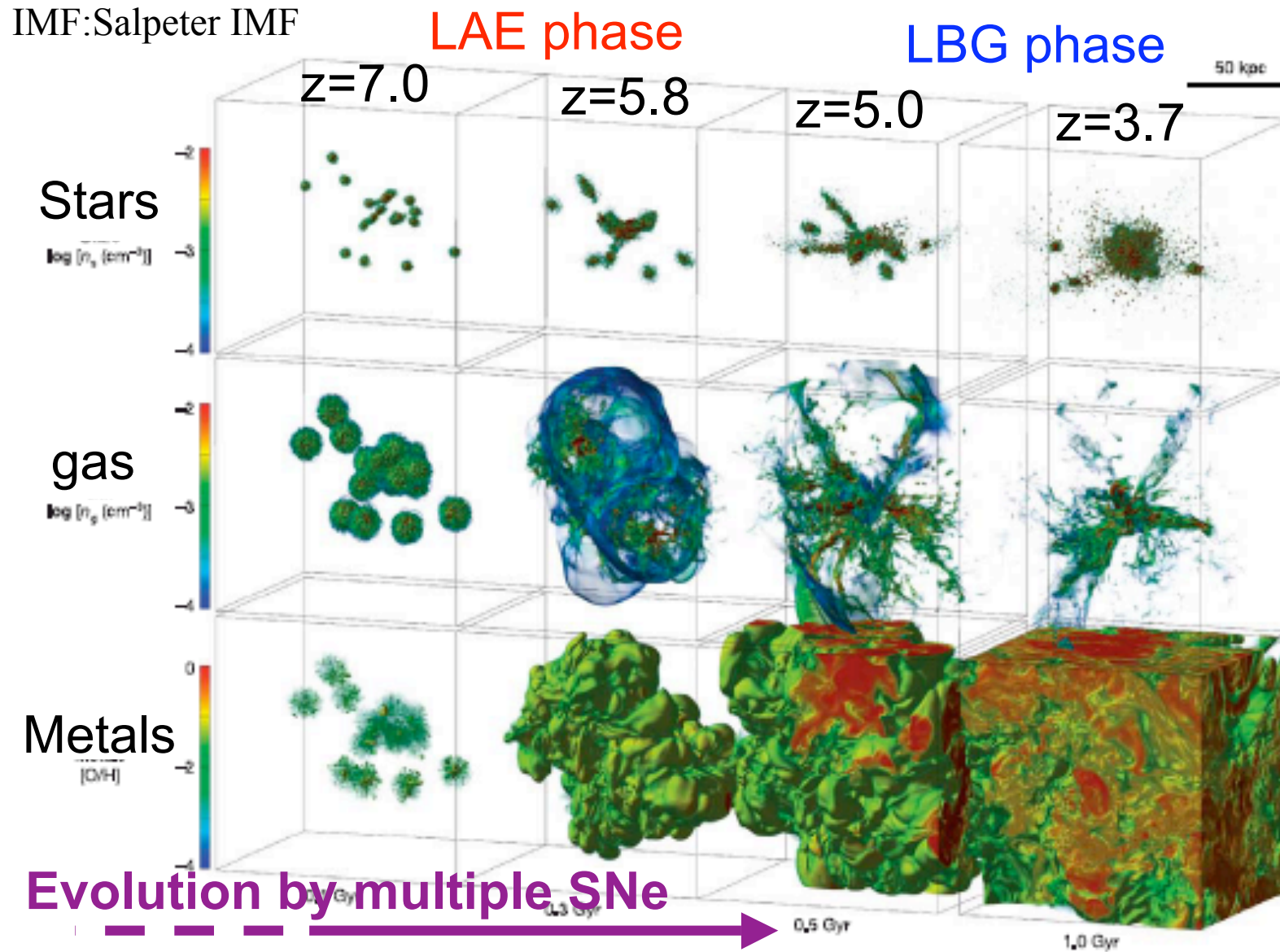
We calculate the escape fraction to LAEs and LBGs with precise radiation transfer calculation.

# Model galaxy

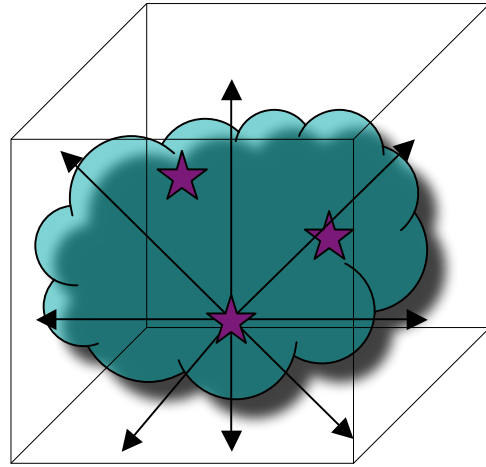
$M_{\text{DM}} = 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}$

(Mori&Umemura2006)

IMF: Salpeter IMF



# Method



The calculation box is composed of  $128^3$  cells. The number of angular bins is  $128^2$  per source.

$$f_{\text{esc}} = \frac{N_{\text{esc}}^{\gamma}}{N_{\text{intrinsic}}^{\gamma}}$$

## ● Dust distribution

$$m_{\text{dust}} = f_{\text{dust}} \frac{Z}{Z_{\text{sun}}} m_{\text{H}}$$

## Radiative transfer equation

$$\frac{dI_{\nu}}{ds} = -(\alpha_{\text{abs,HI}} + \alpha_{\text{abs,DUST}})I_{\nu}$$

$I_{\nu}$  : intensity  
 $\alpha_{\text{abs}}$  : absorption coefficient  
 $\epsilon_{\nu}$  : emissivity

## Equation of ionization degree in equilibrium state.

$$0 = \Gamma^{\gamma} \cdot n_{\text{HI}} + \Gamma^{\text{C}} \cdot n_{\text{e}} \cdot n_{\text{HI}} - \alpha_{\text{rec}} \cdot n_{\text{e}} \cdot n_{\text{HII}}$$

$\Gamma^{\gamma}$  : photo ionization ratio ,  $\Gamma^{\text{C}}$  : collisional ionization ratio  
 $n_{\text{HI}}$  : number density of hydrogen,  $n_{\text{e}}$  : number density of electron  
 $\alpha_{\text{rec}}$  : recombination coefficient(caseB)

## ● Calculation scheme

: ART method

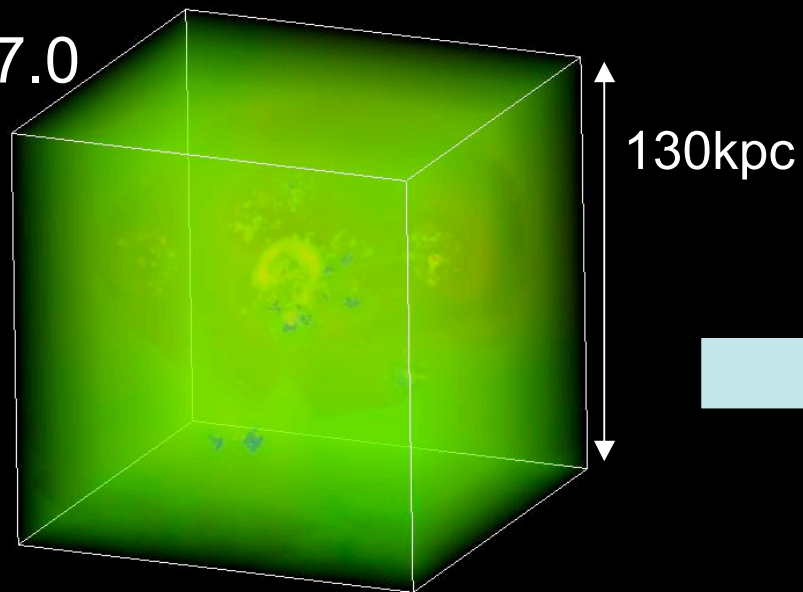
(Nakamoto et al. 2001, Iliev et al. 2006)

## ● on-the-spot approximation

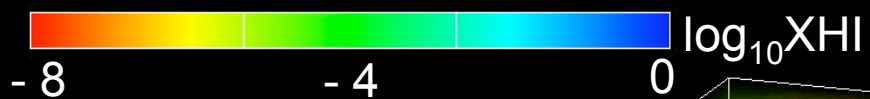
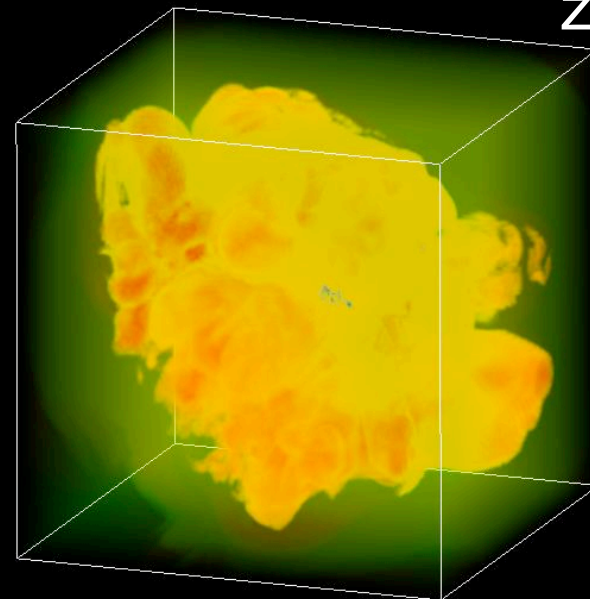
(Osterbrock 1989)

# Ionization Structure

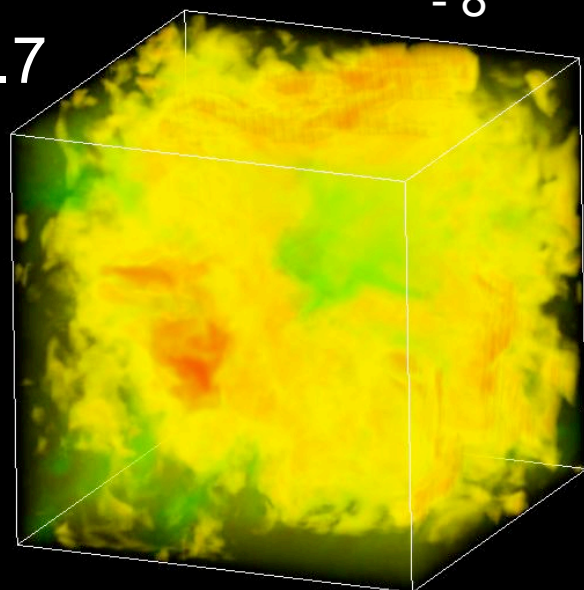
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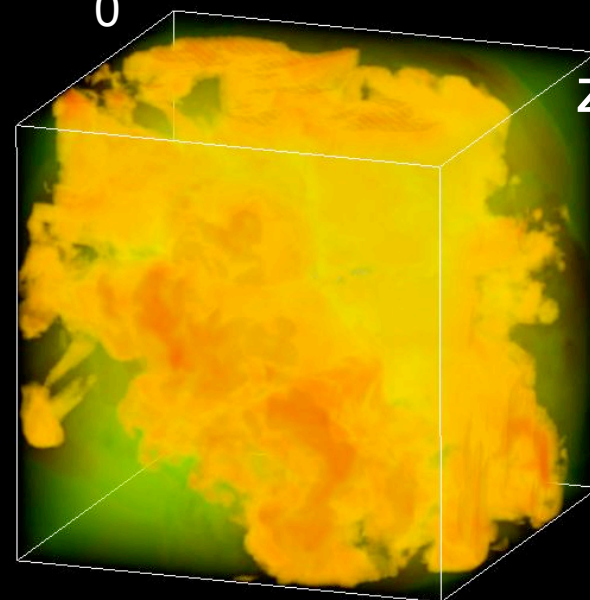
$z=5.8$



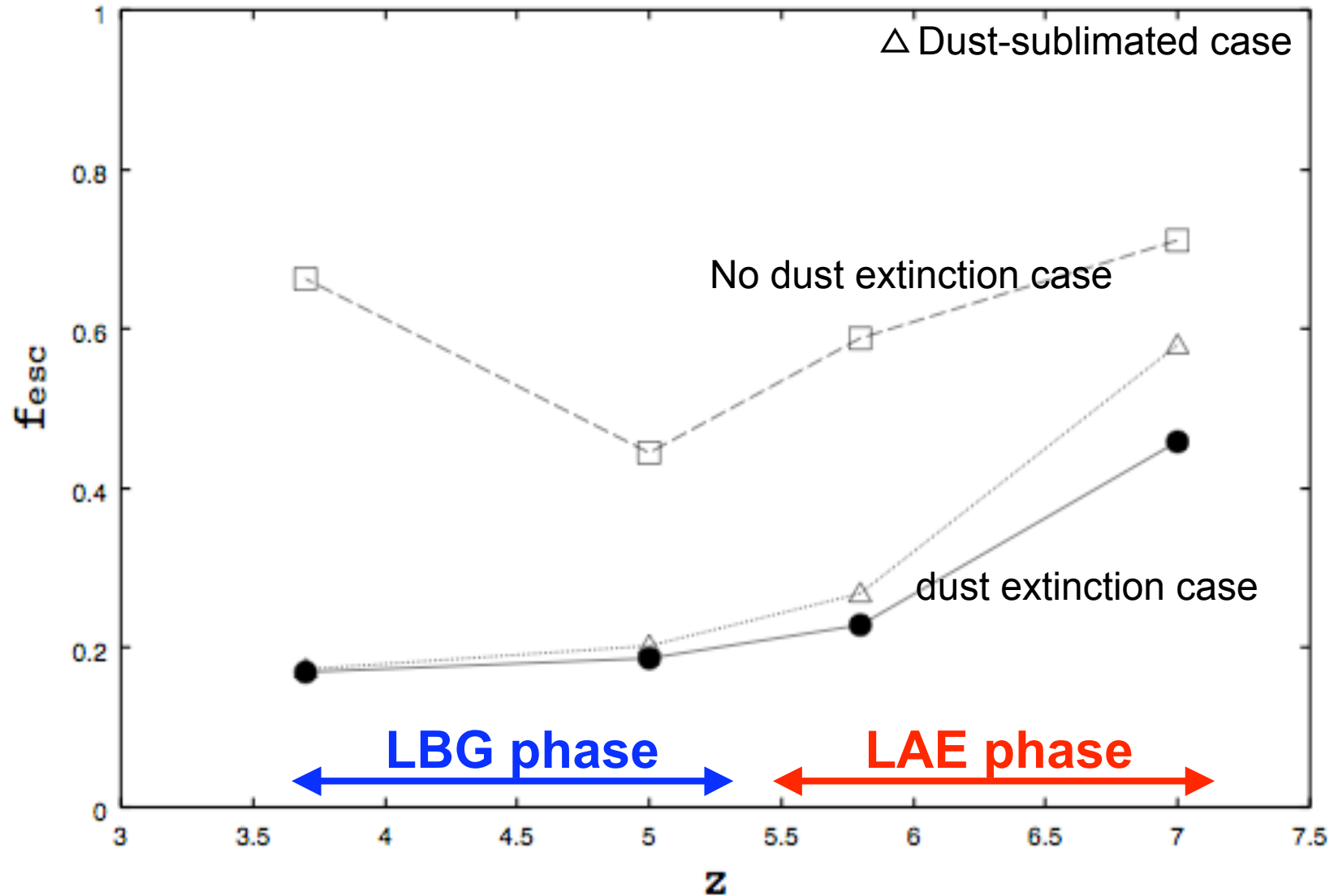
$z=3.7$



$z=5.0$



# Escape fraction



# Are LAEs and LBGs ionizing sources ?

## Can LAEs and LBGs ionize IGM?

① Necessary photon number to ionize the IGM

$$N_{\text{ion}}(z) = (10^{51.2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}) C_{30} \left( \frac{1+z}{6} \right)^3 \left( \frac{\Omega_b h_{50}^2}{0.08} \right)^2 \quad (\text{Madau et al. 1999})$$

( $C_{30}$ : clumpiness factor)

**VS**

② Photon number radiated by LAEs and LBGs

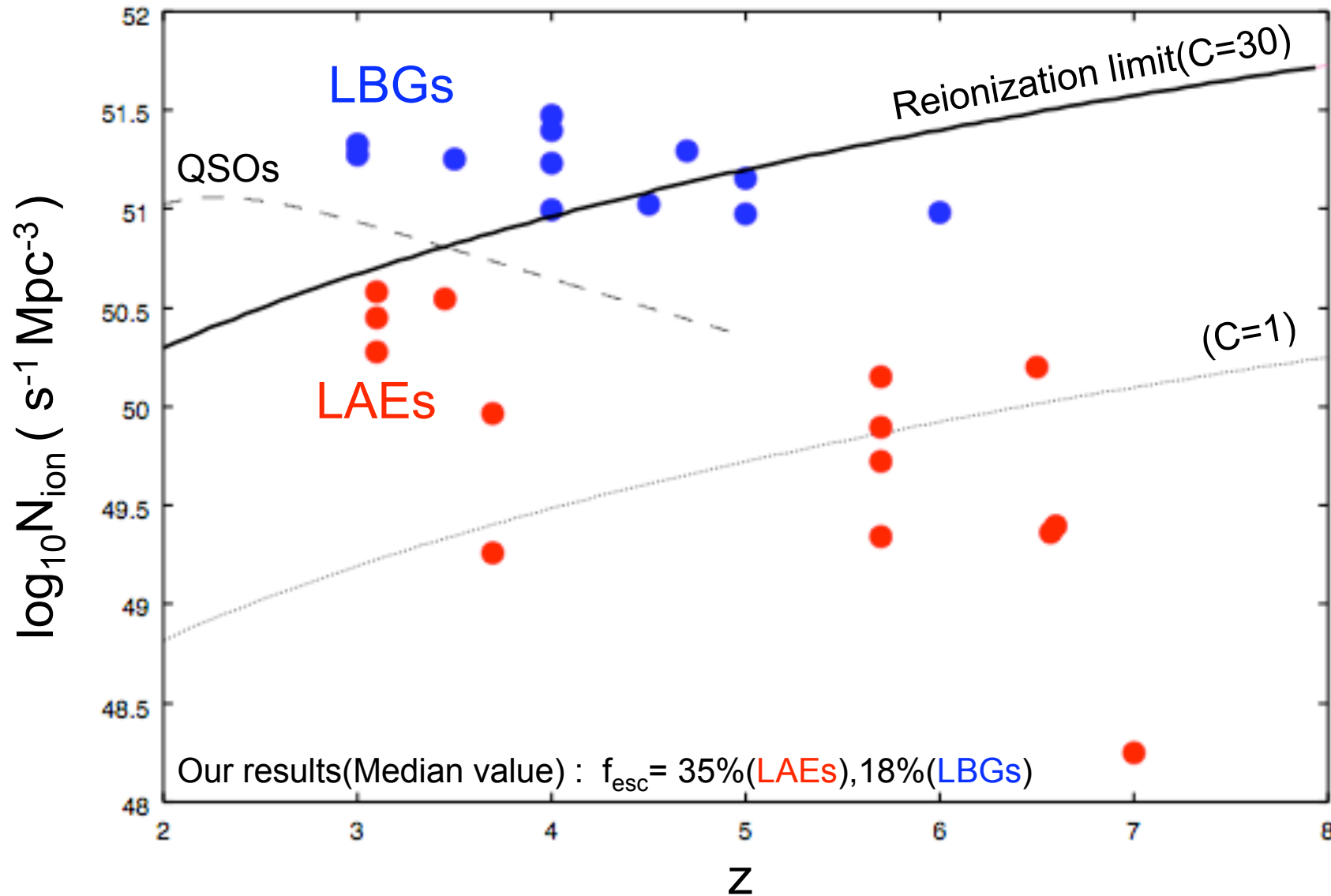
$$N_{\text{ion}}(z) = (10^{53.1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}) \times \underline{SFRD(z)} \times \underline{f_{\text{esc}}} \quad (\text{Madau et al. 1999})$$

Observation data

Our results !

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{SFRD : star formation rate density} \\ f_{\text{esc}} : \text{escape fraction} \end{array} \right.$

# Photon number radiated by LAEs and LBGs





# SUMMARY

- LAEs and LBGs have a large escape fraction (17% ~ 47%).  
(theoretical previous works  $\rightarrow$  ~3%)
- Escape fraction can largely vary by considering dust extinction.
- LBGs can ionize the IGM at  $z=3\sim 5$ . However only LAEs and LBGs can not ionize the IGM at  $z \geq 6$ .

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