

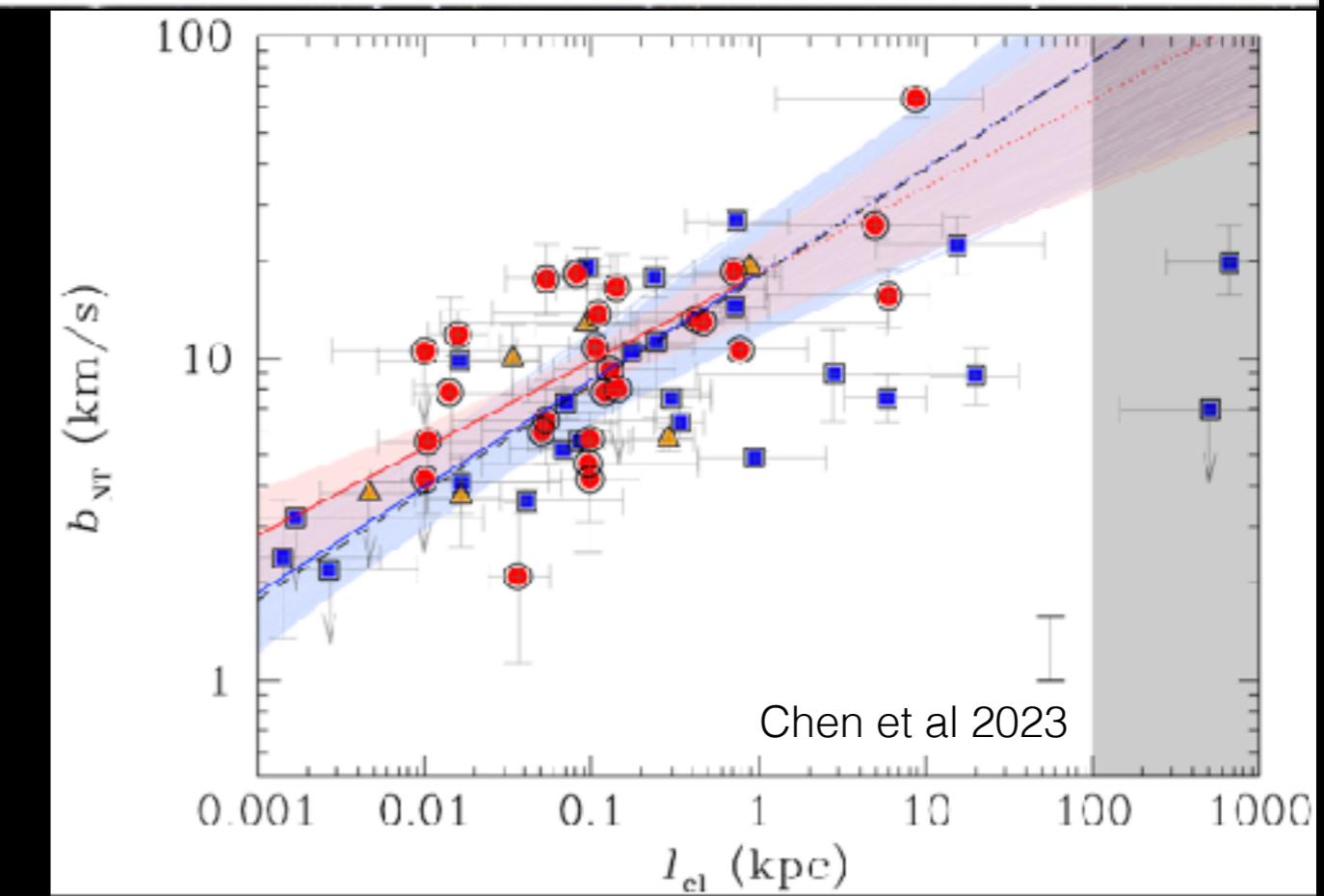
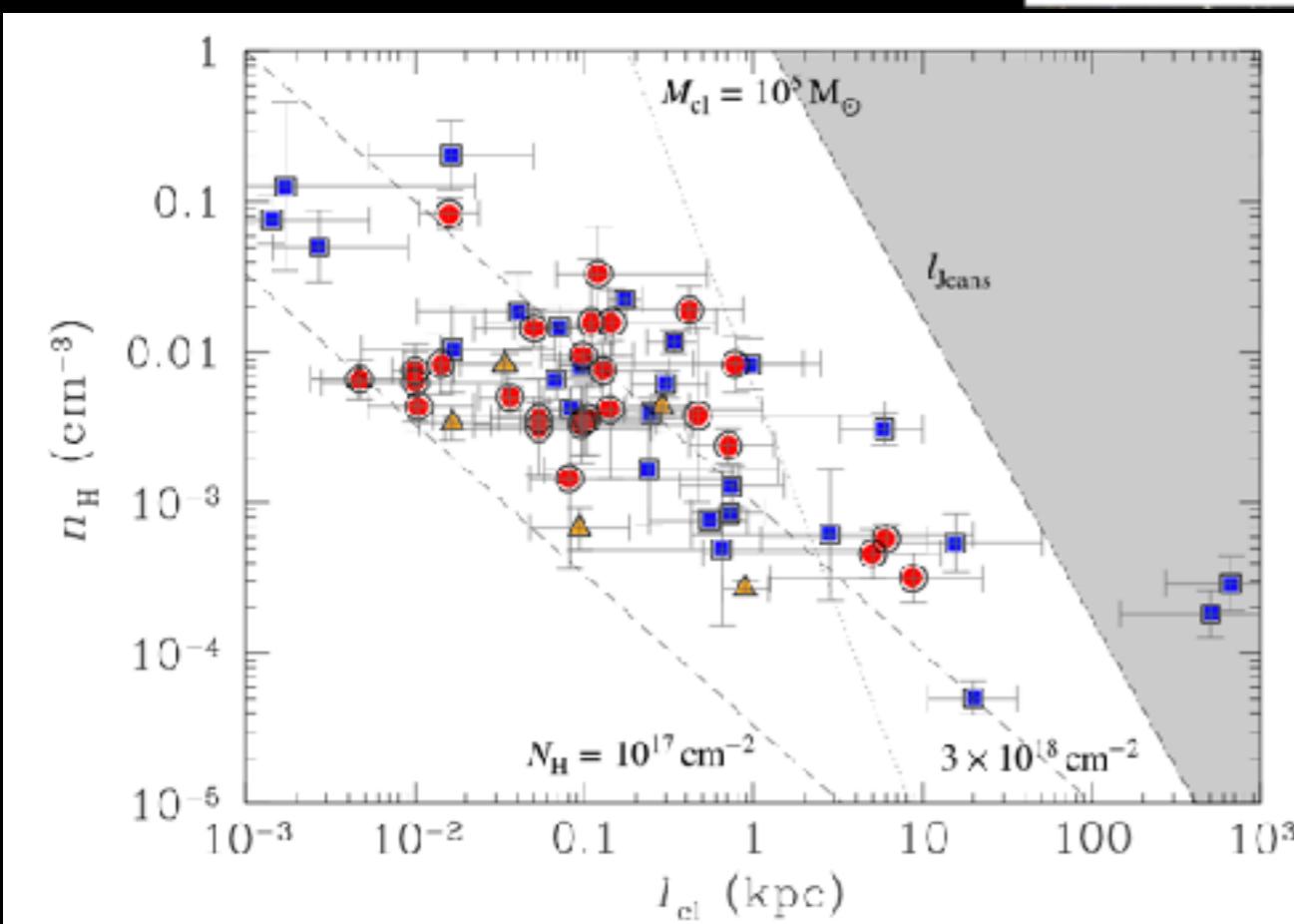
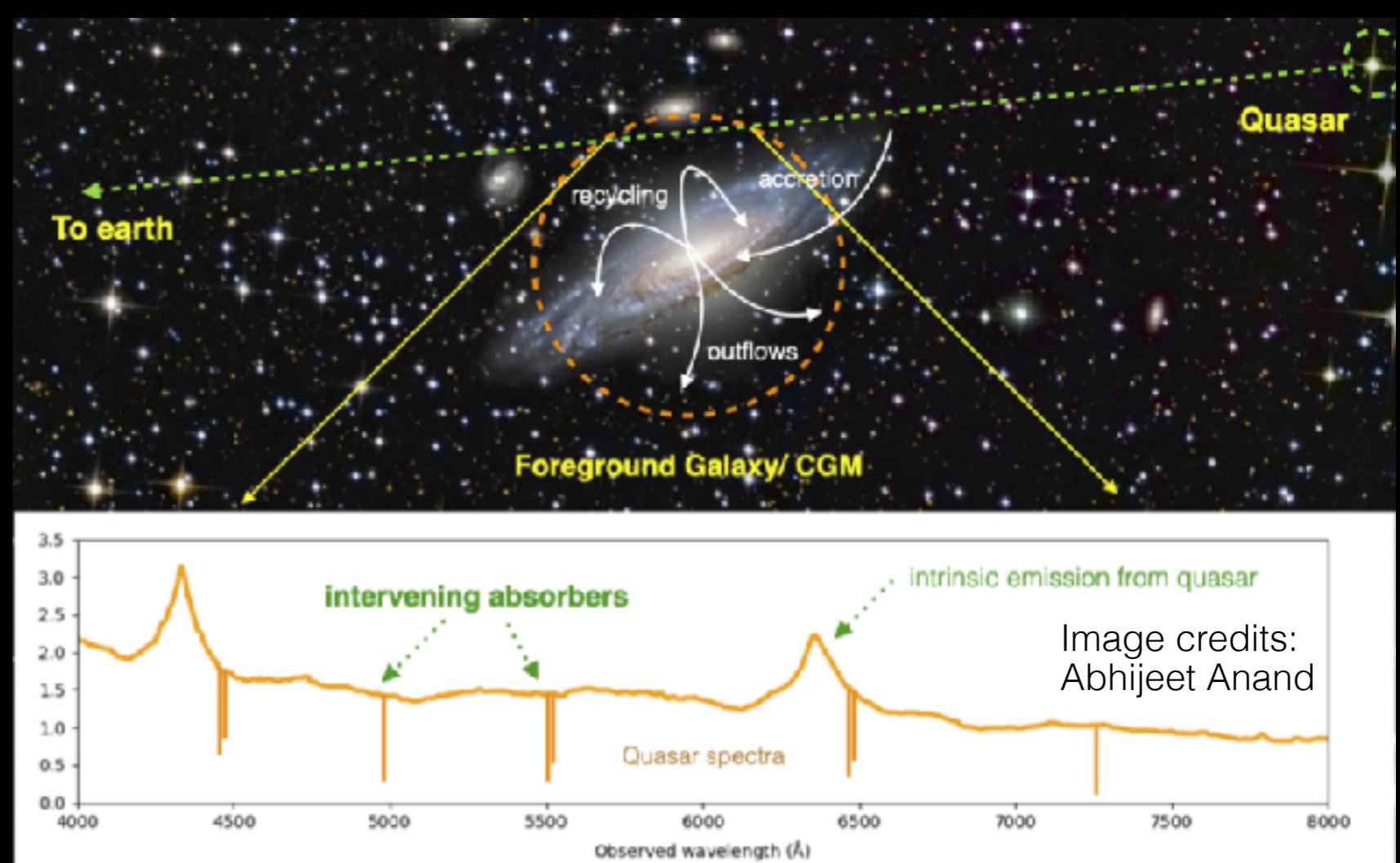
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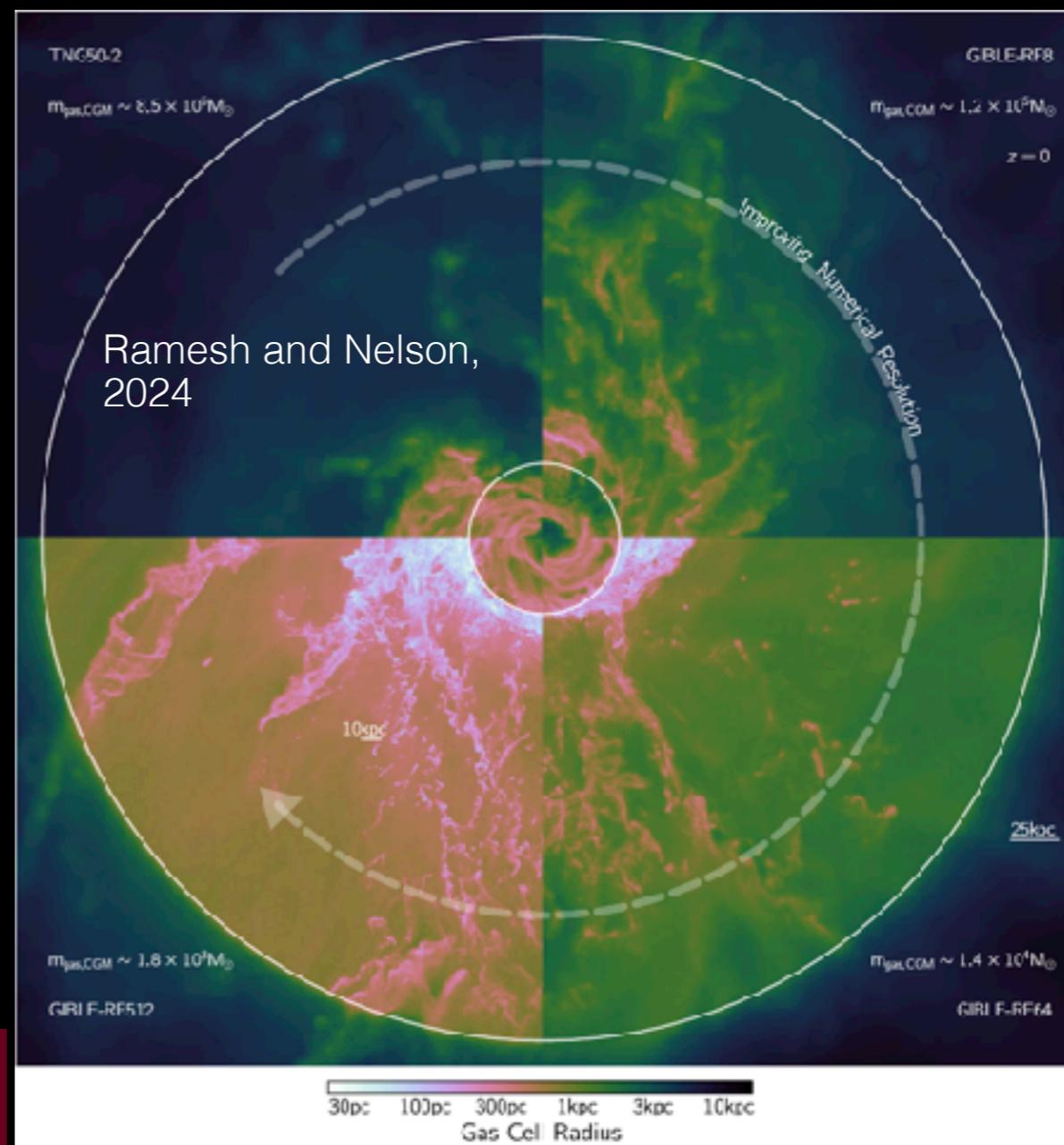
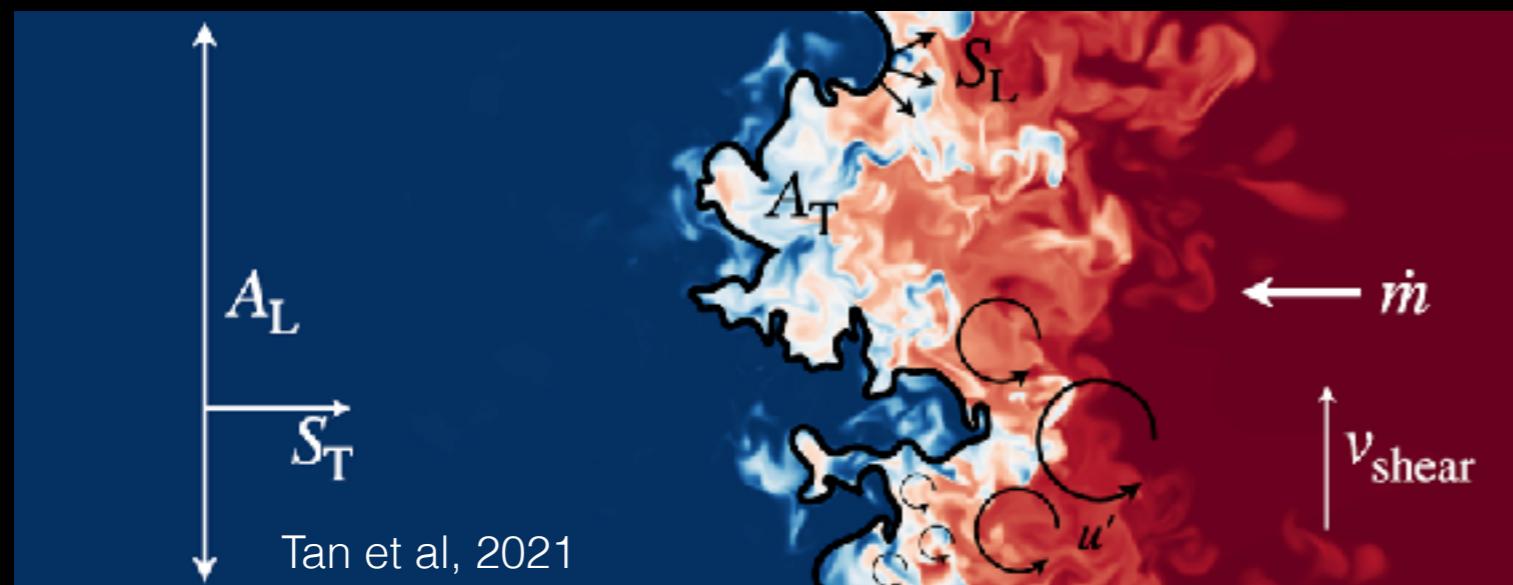
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Studying the multiphase CGM



Simulating the multiphase CGM - challenges

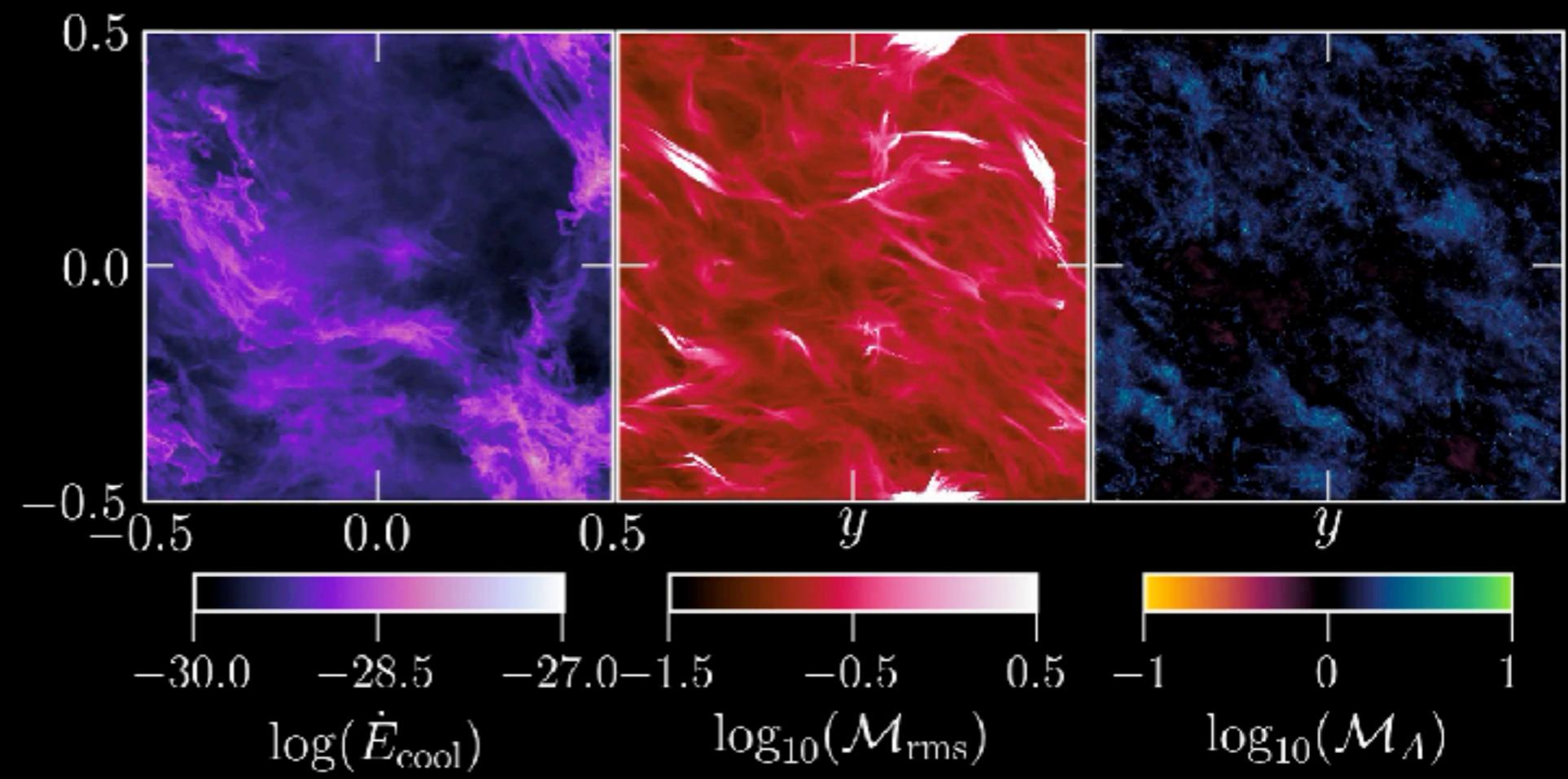
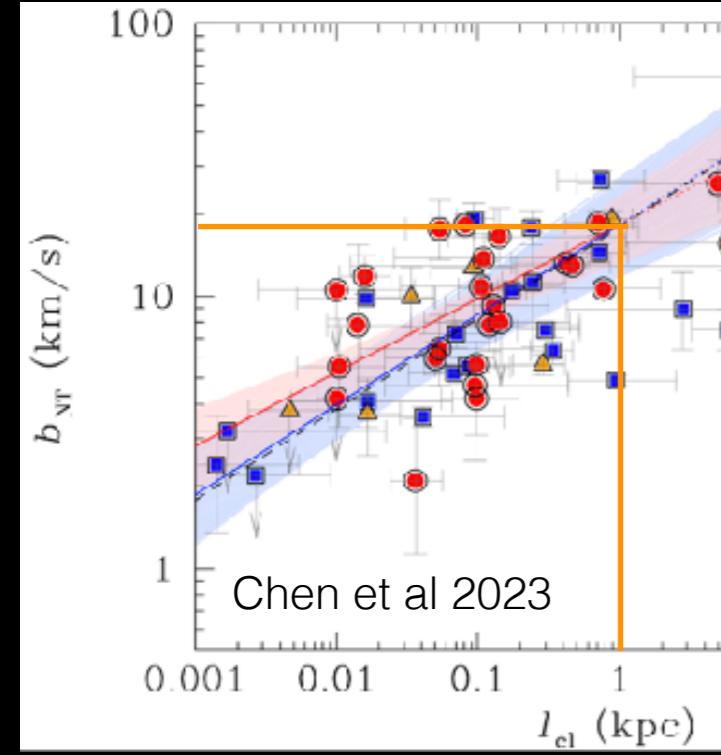
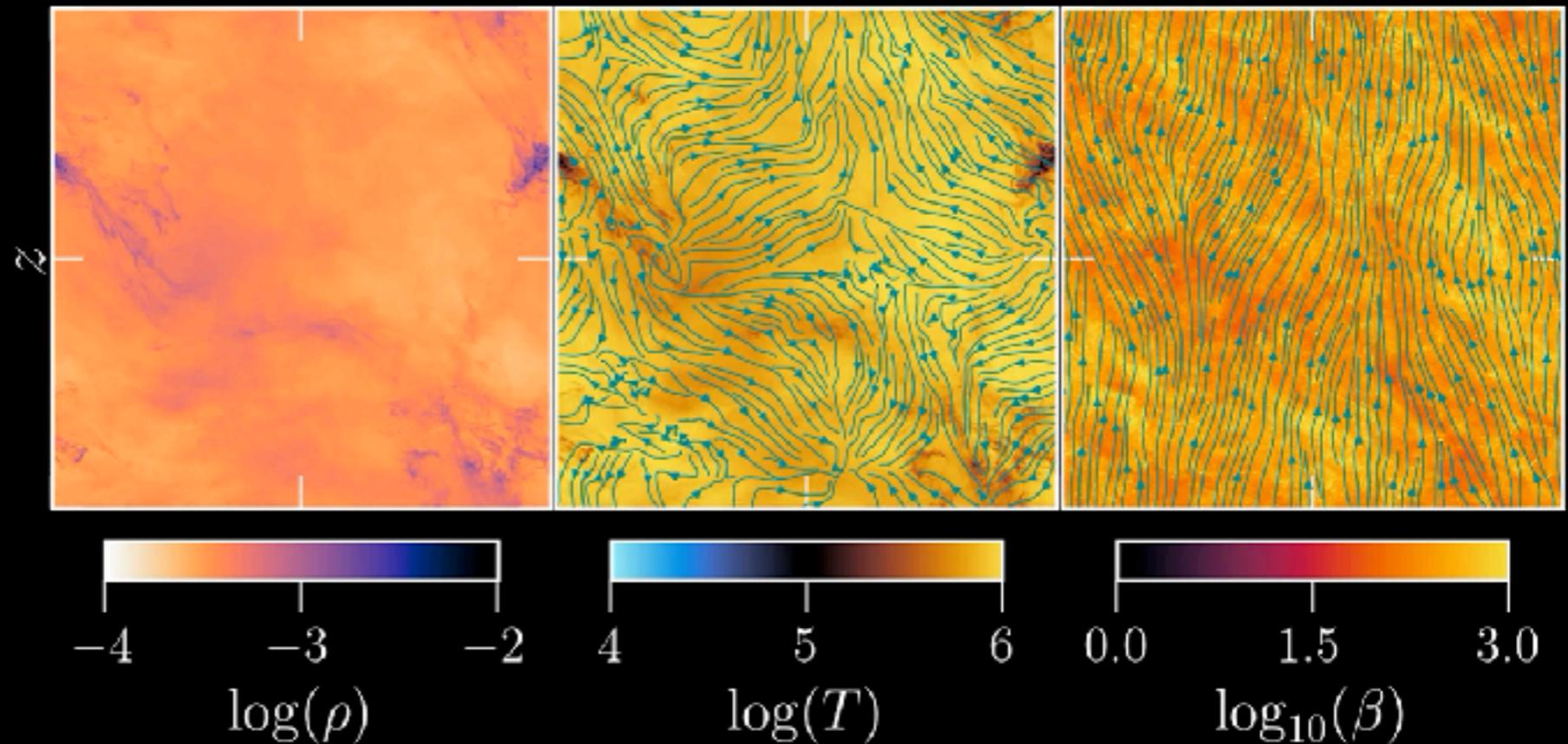
- Cosmological/galaxy-scale simulations - struggle to resolve cold gas
 - Cooling length $\ell_{\text{cool}} = c_s t_{\text{cool}}$ (can be sub-pc)
- Local simulations
 - Resolve small-scale interactions but often lack global context and statistics



$t = 60.0$ Myr

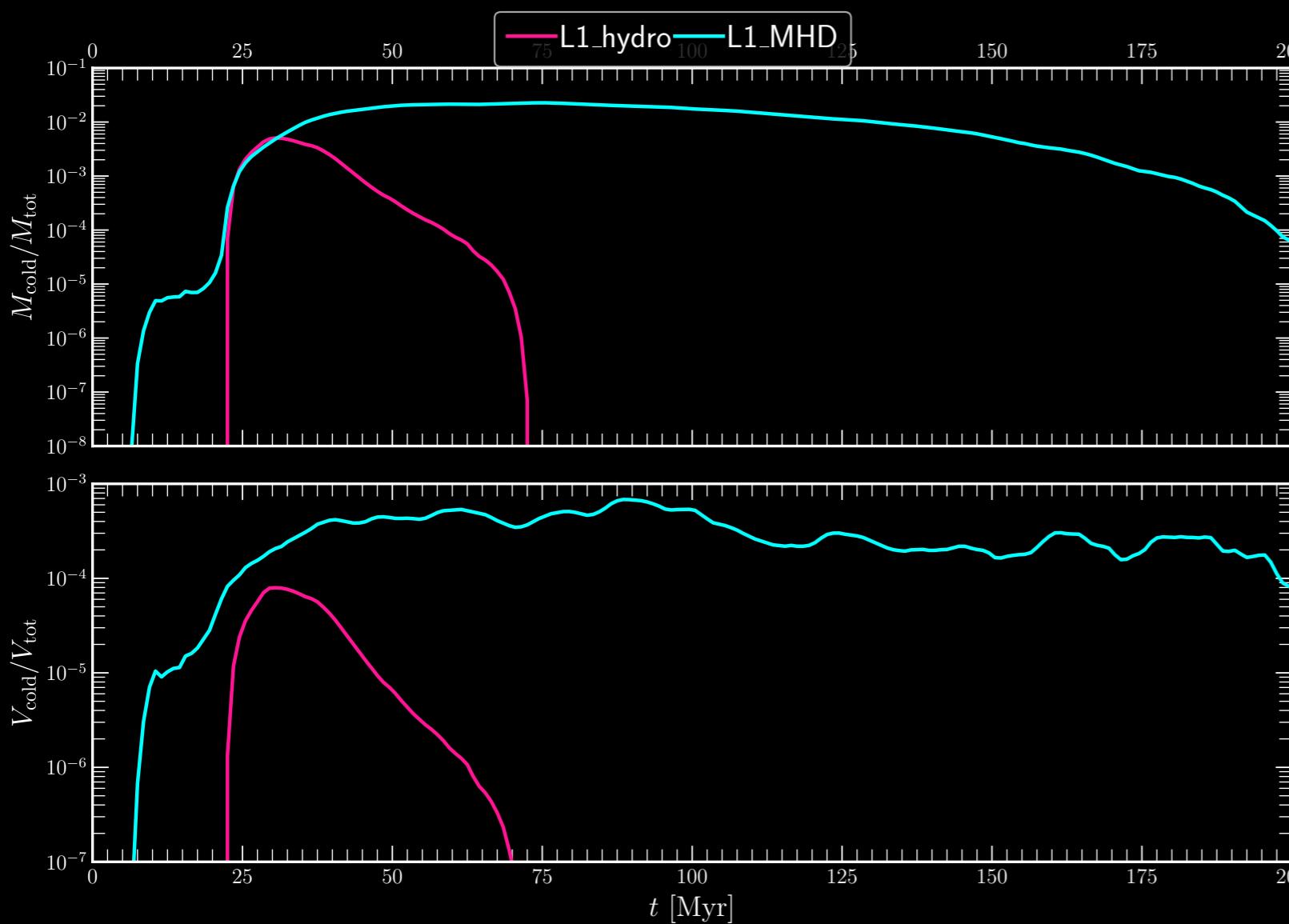
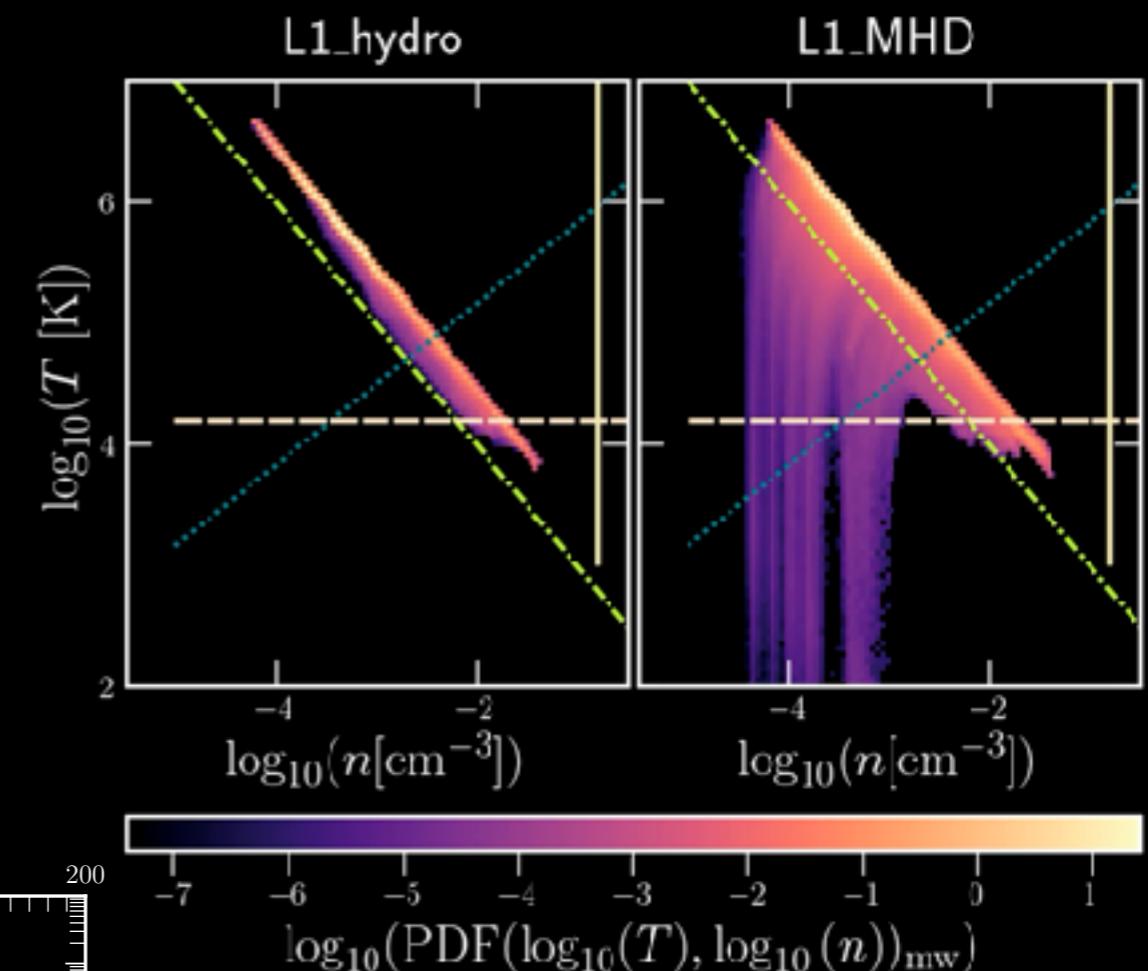
Meso-scale MHD turbulent boxes

- Size 1 kpc
- Resolution 1024^3
($\Delta x \sim 1$ pc)
- $v_\ell = 20$ km/s,
- $n_{\text{hot}} = 3 \times 10^{-4} / \text{cm}^3$,
- $T = 10^6$ K



Key results

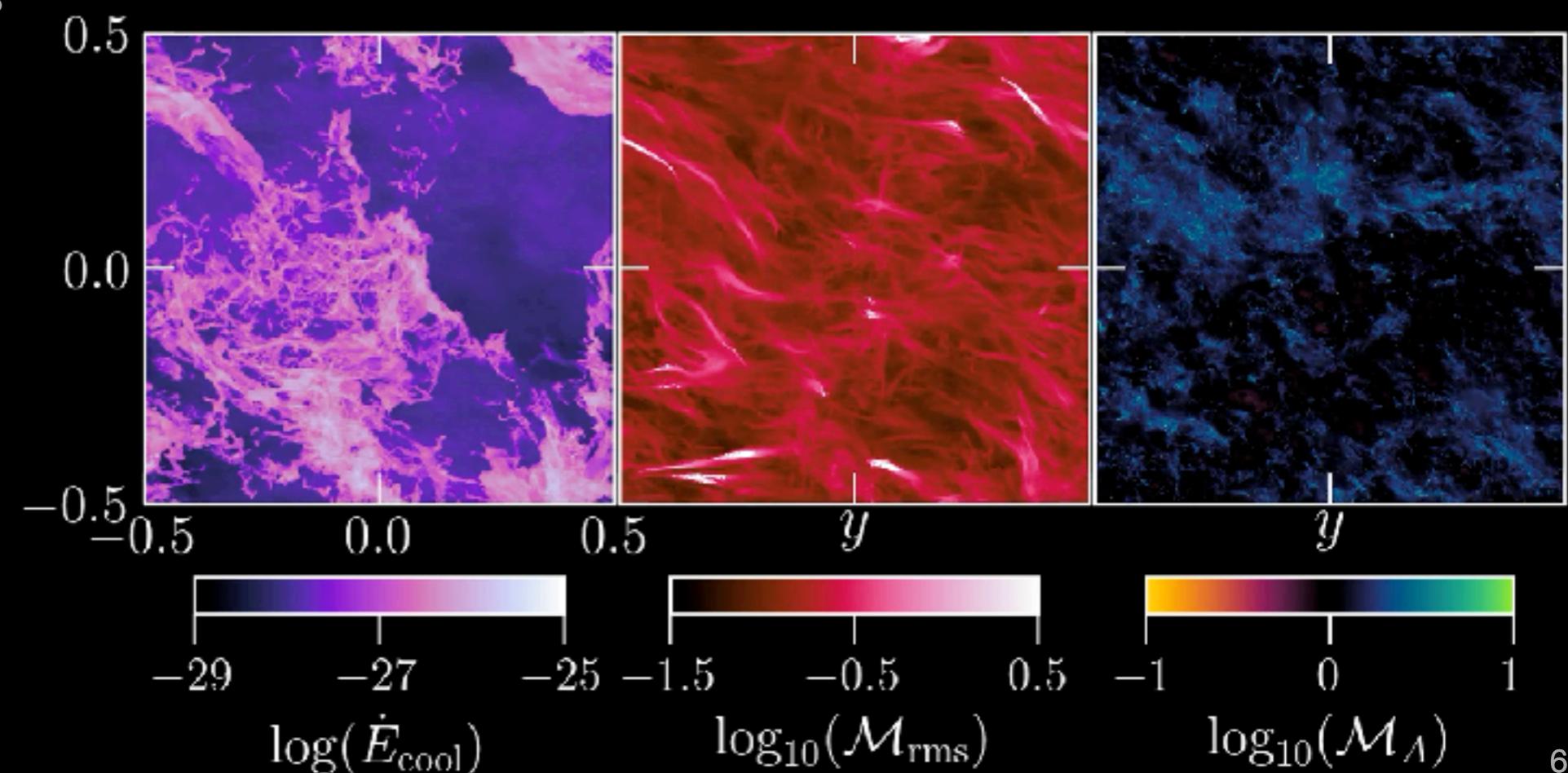
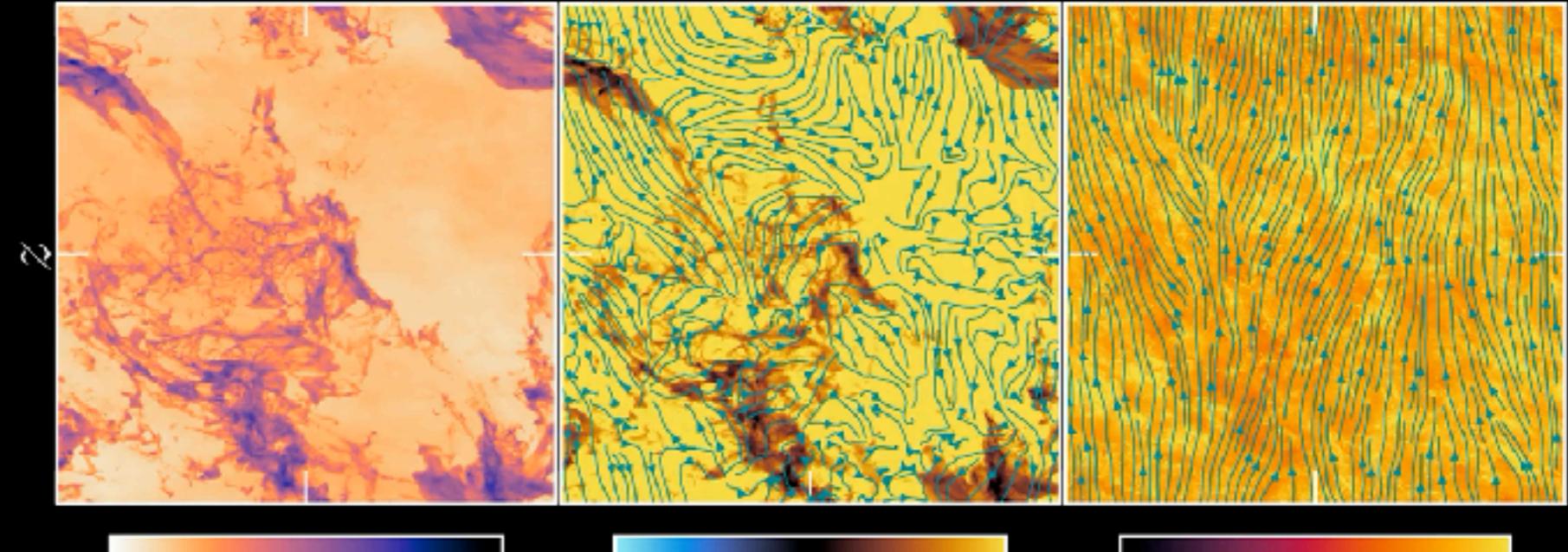
- Hydro runs - cold gas disappears < 100 Myr
- MHD runs - cold gas survives, with mass and volume fraction 10^{-4} , density similar to that of hot gas



$t = 52.0$ Myr

Higher-density runs

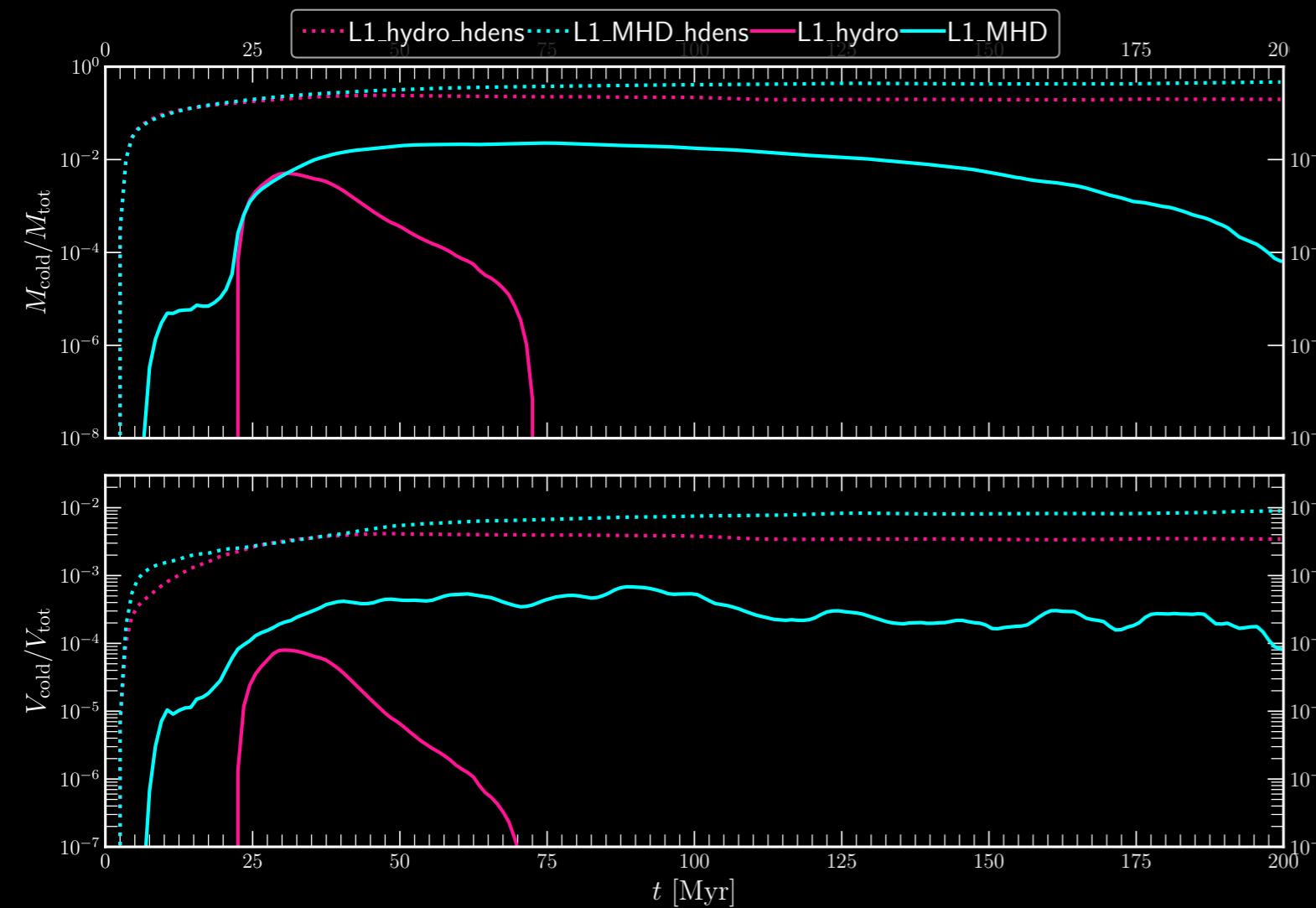
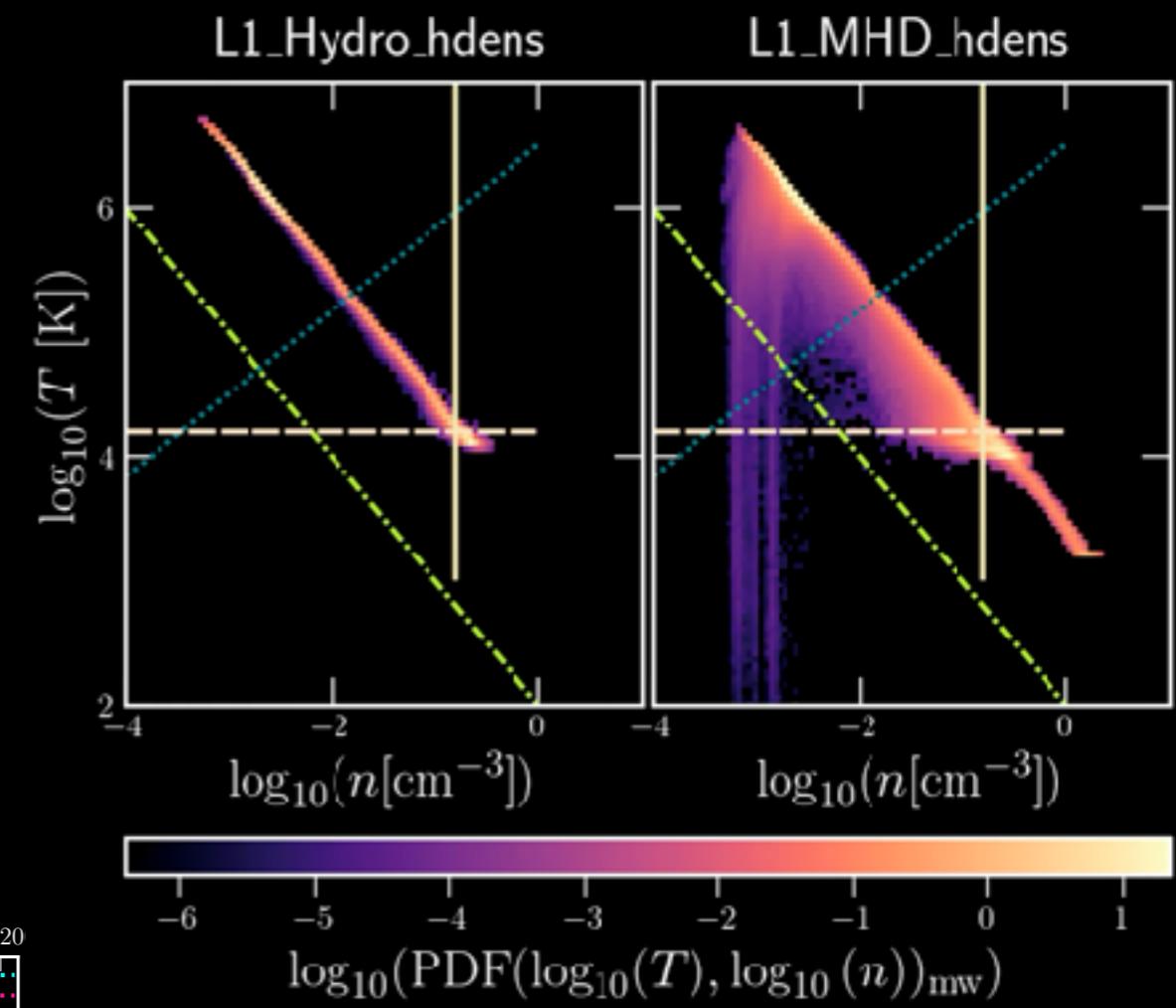
- 10 times larger density - much more cold gas forms and survives till 200 Myr



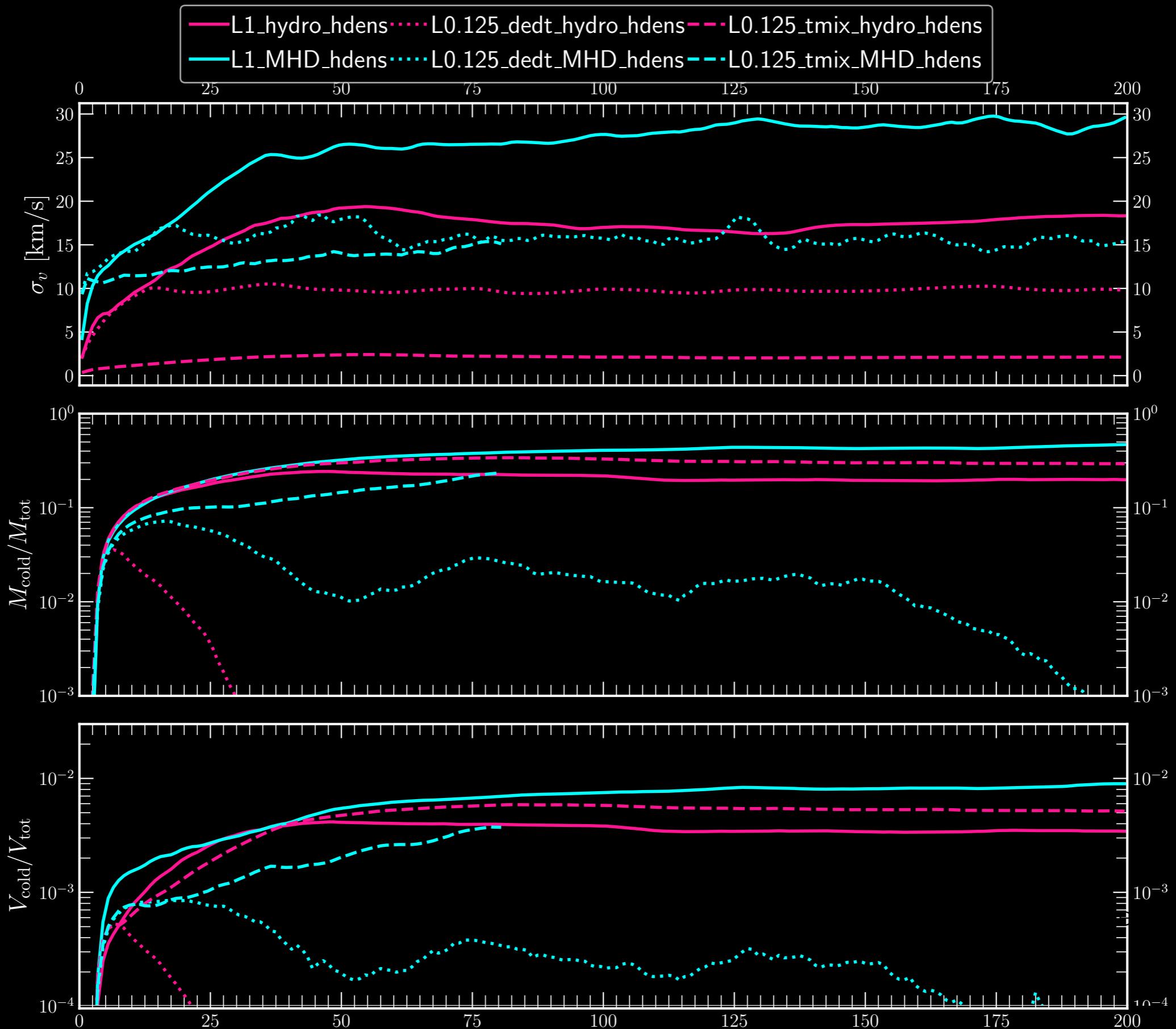
$t = 48.0$ Myr

Higher-density runs

- Cold gas \rightarrow Around 50% of mass, $\lesssim 1\%$ of volume



Effect of reducing the box size



Concluding remarks

- Typical outer CGM parameters
 $(n = 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}, T = 10^6 \text{ K}, v_{\text{1 kpc}} = 20 \text{ km/s})$ -
 - $t_{\text{cool}}/t_{\text{mix}} \gg 1$
 - Cold gas fails to survive for $> 100 \text{ Myr}$ due to turbulent mixing
 - Magnetized, “fluffy” cold gas may survive
 - Mass and volume fraction $\simeq 10^{-4}$
- Denser CGM
 - Cold gas survives for longer, upto 50% of CGM mass in cold phase, $\lesssim 1\%$ in volume
- Effect of decreasing domain size
 - Keeping $t_{\text{cool}}/t_{\text{mix}}$ fixed gives consistent results with larger scale simulations