

# Massive Runaways:

*Probes for stellar physics and dynamics*



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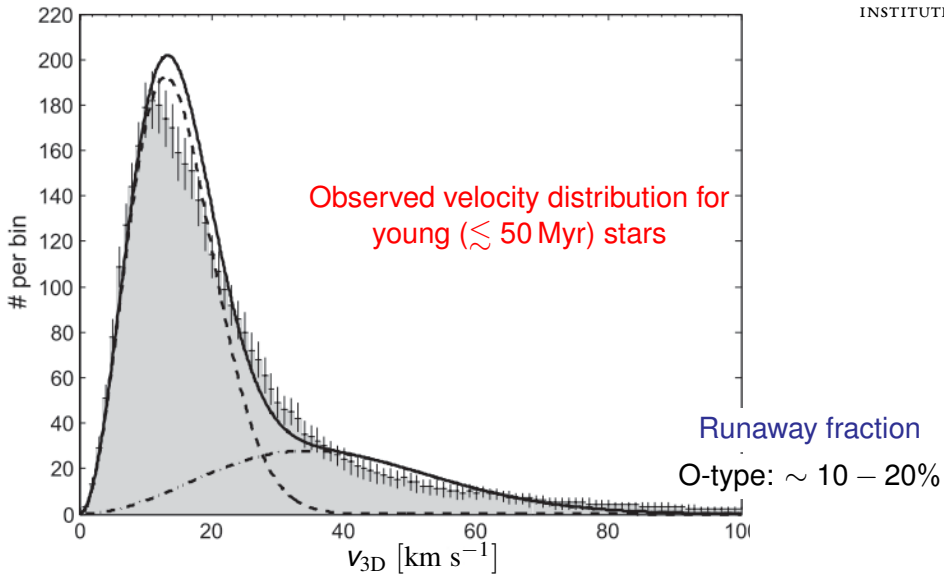
(e.g., Mason *et al.* '09, Sana & Evans '11,  
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**~10% of O type stars are  
runaways**

**( $v \gtrsim 30 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ )**

(e.g., Blaauw '61, Gies '87, Stone '91)

# What is a runaway star?



from Tetzlaff *et al.* 11,

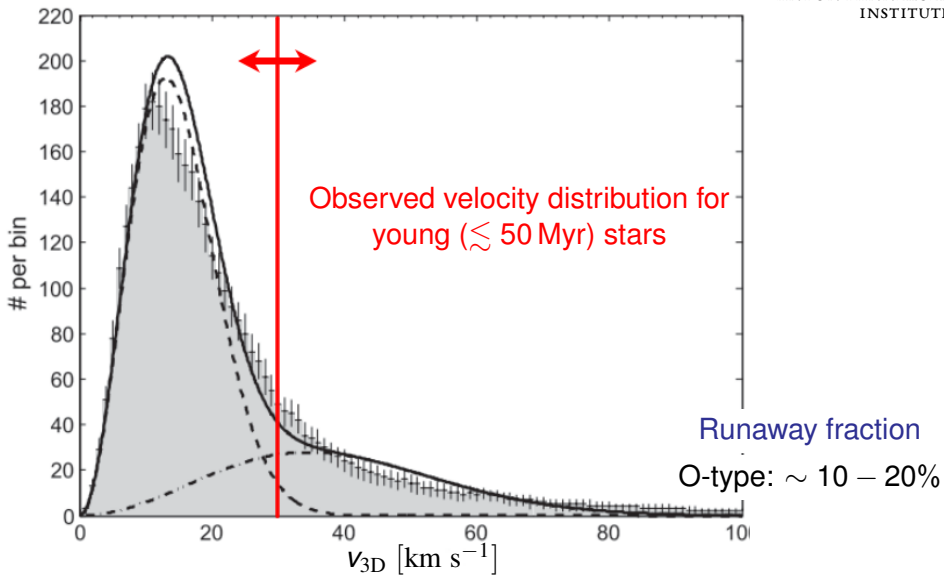
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## N-body interactions

(typically) least massive thrown out.

### Binaries matter...

- Cross section  $\propto a^2 \gg R_*^2$
- (Binding) Energy reservoir

Poveda *et al.*, 1967

..but don't necessarily leave imprints!



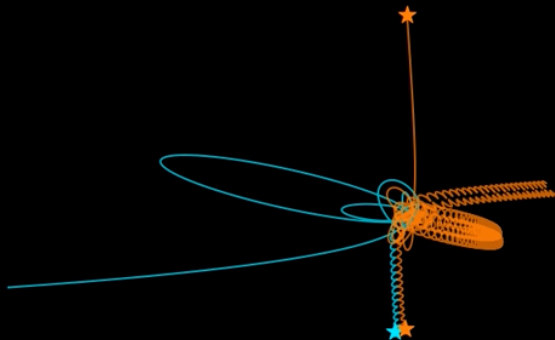
# Example of dynamical interaction

Credits: C. Rodriguez



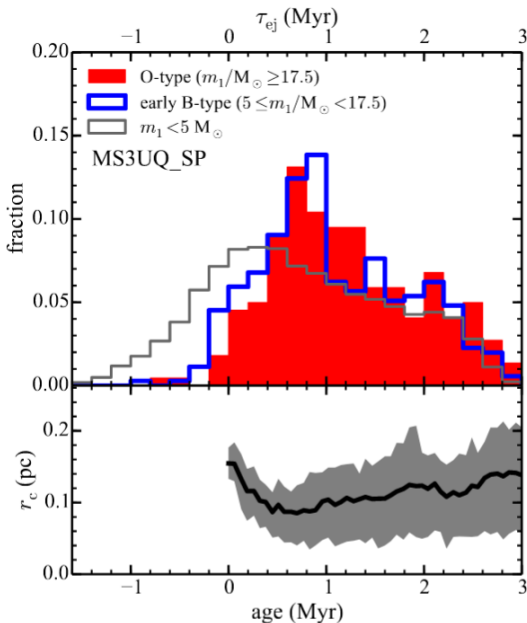
# Result of dynamical interaction

**Fast runaway**



**Tighter and more massive binary**

e.g., Fujii & Portegies-Zwart 11



Most ejections happen early  
Before the first stellar  
core-collapse

Chaotic Dynamics  $\Rightarrow$  **Very**  
sensitive to initial conditions

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$M = 137.8^{+27.5}_{-15.9} M_{\odot}$   
 $v_{2D} = 38 \pm 17 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Renzo *et al.*, 2018b

$M = 97.6^{+22.2}_{-23.1} M_{\odot}$   
 $v_{2D} = 93 \pm 15 \text{ km s}^{-1}$   
 $v_{3D} = 93 \pm 15 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Lennon *et al.*, 2018

$M = 91.6^{+11.5}_{-10.5} M_{\odot}$   
 $v_{2D} = 80 \pm 11 \text{ km s}^{-1}$   
 $v_{v3D} = 112 \pm 8 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Lennon *et al.*, 2018

Declination (J2000)

02'  
04'  
06'  
08'

VFTS682

VFTS72

VFTS16

R136

39<sup>m</sup>00<sup>s</sup> 30<sup>s</sup> 38<sup>m</sup>00<sup>s</sup> 30<sup>s</sup>

Right Ascension (J2000)

## Potential things we can learn

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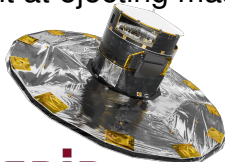
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## Hints from DR2...

Dynamical ejection seems very efficient at ejecting massive stars



**gaia**

Drew *et al.* 18, Renzo *et al.* 18b, Lennon *et al.* 18



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Credits: ESO, L. Calçada, M. Kornmesser, S.E. de Mink



## The binary disruption shoots out the accretor

Spin up: Packet '81, Cantiello *et al.* '07, de Mink *et al.* '13

Pollution: Blaauw '93

Rejuvenation: Hellings '83, Schneider *et al.* '15

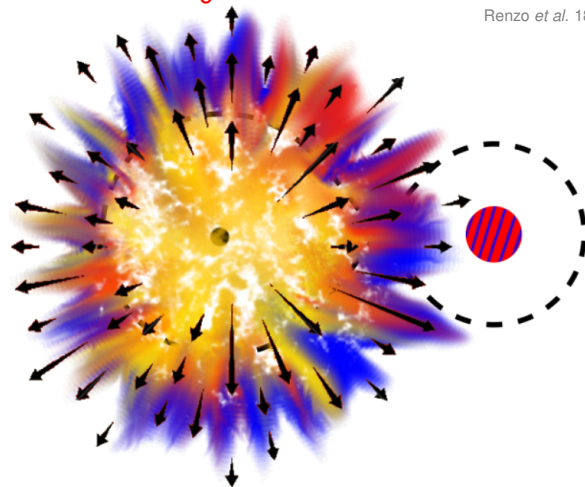
# What exactly disrupts the binary?



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Renzo *et al.* 18, arXiv:1804.09164



- Unbinding Matter

(e.g., Blaauw '61)

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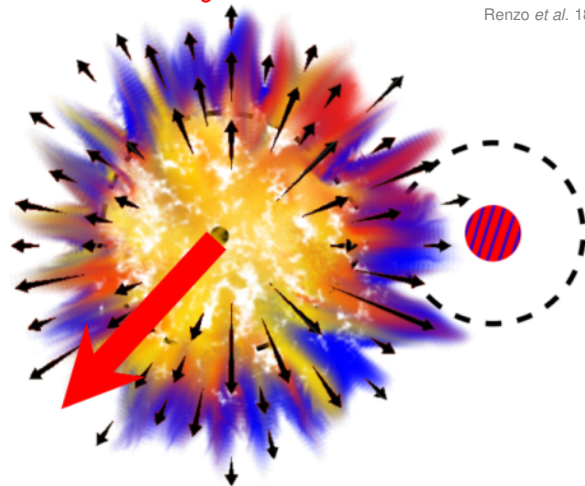
- SN Natal Kick

(e.g., Shklovskii '70, Janka '16)

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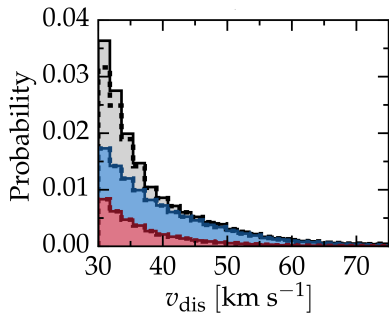
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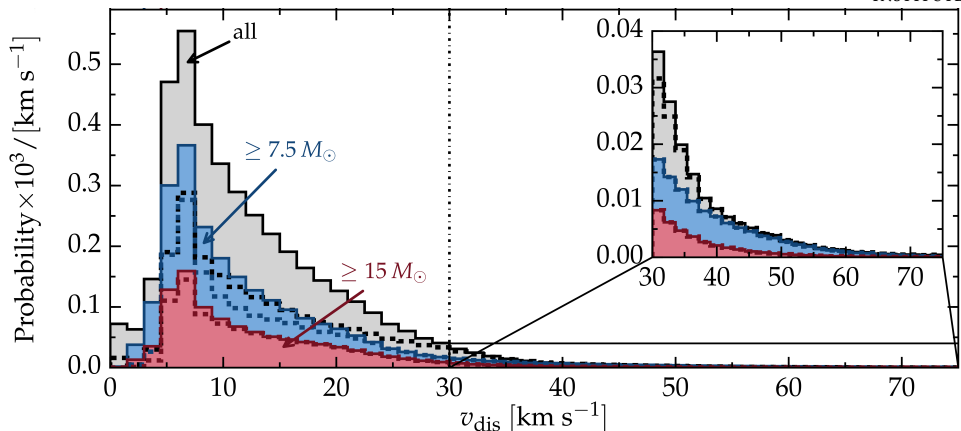
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### Take home points:

- Walkaways outnumber the runaways by  $\sim 10\times$
- Binaries barely produce  $v_{\text{dis}} \gtrsim 60 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
- All runaways from binaries are post-interaction objects



# Runaway fraction for O-type **too low!**



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Physical Assumptions	Parameter	value	$\mathcal{D}$ [%]	$f_{15}^{\text{RW}}$ [%]	$f_{15}^{\text{WA}}$ [%]
Fiducial population		see Sec. 2	86	0.5	10.1
Mass transfer efficiency	$\beta_{\text{RLOF}}$	0	86	0.3	1.5
		0.5	87	1.2	8.6
		1	87	0.7	14.7
Angular momentum loss	$\gamma_{\text{RLOF}}$	$\gamma_{\text{disk}}$	85	0.2	7.3
		1	86	0.6	9.9
Common envelope efficiency	$\alpha_{\text{CE}}$	0.1	86	0.5	10.1
		10	84	0.5	10.0
Mass ratio for case A merger	$q_{\text{crit, A}}$	0.80	86	0.5	10.2
		0.25	86	0.6	9.4
Mass ratio for case B merger	$q_{\text{crit, B}}$	1.0	89	0.0	5.0
		0.0	85	0.6	10.1
Natal kick velocity	$\sigma_{\text{kick}}$	0	16	-	0.0
		300	87	0.6	10.3
		1000	91	1.2	11.2
Natal kick amplitude	$(\sigma_{\text{kick}}, f_b)$	(100, 0)	84	0.3	8.7
Double maxwellian with $\sigma_{\text{kick}} = 30 \text{ km s}^{-1}$		for $M_{\text{NS}} \leq 1.35$	65	0.5	4.9
Restricted kick directions		$\alpha < 10 \text{ deg}$	87	0.6	10.3
		$\frac{\pi}{2} - \alpha < 45 \text{ deg}$	86	0.5	10.0
Fallback fraction	$f_b$	0	97	1.5	12.1
Metallicity	$Z$	0.0002	77	2.6	7.7
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**Robust** outcome  
(more runaways  
at low  $Z$ )

$$f_{15}^{\text{RW}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\# \text{ runaways}}{\# \text{ stars}}$$

**Observed:**

$$f_{15}^{\text{RW}} \simeq 10 - 20\%$$

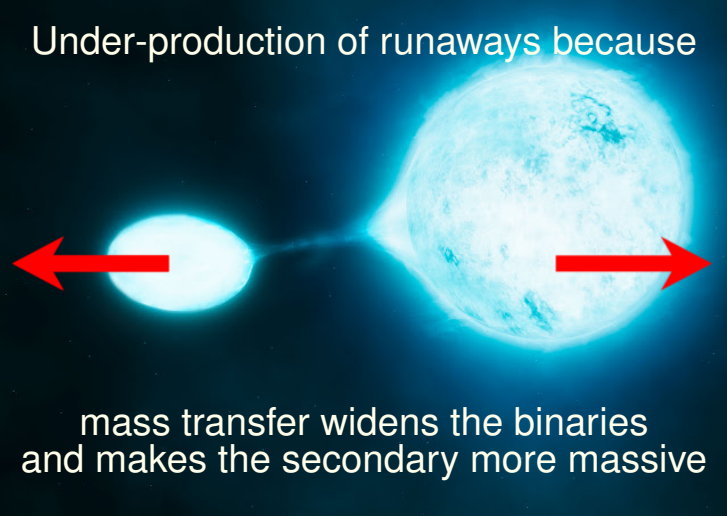
$\sim \frac{2}{3}$  of runaways from  
binaries

Hoogerwerf *et al.* '01

(but see also Jilinski *et al.* '10)

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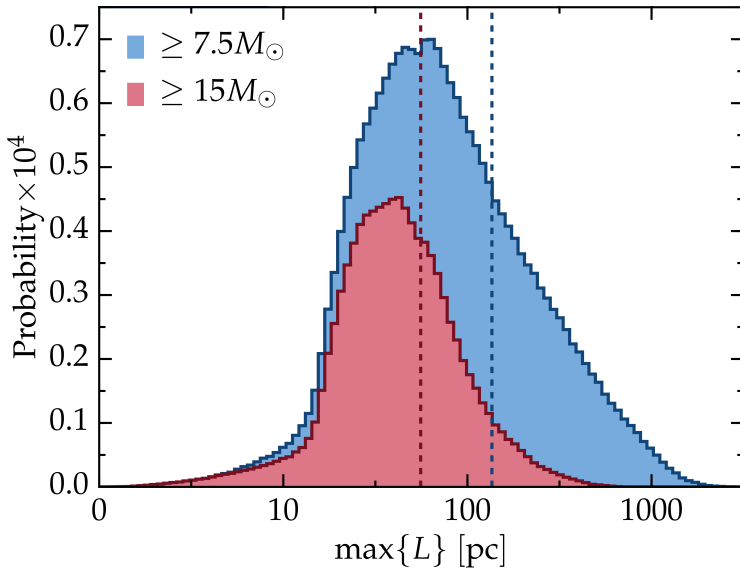


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# How far do they get?



“Distance traveled”  
(No potential well)

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## Dynamical Interactions

- Happen early on, before SNe
- Can produce faster stars
- (Typically) least massive thrown out

...Binaries are still important! but  
might not leave signature

## Binary SN disruption

- Ejects initially less massive star
- Requires SN kick
- Final  $v \simeq v_2^{\text{orb}}$
- Leaves **binary signature**  
(fast rotation, He/N enhancement,  
lower apparent age)



## Dynamical ejections

- Produce on average faster runaways
- Gaia DR2 hints at large efficiency of dynamical ejections
- Isolated star formation not required for VFTS16/72/682
  - ⇒ Massive binary formed? Could evolve to binary BH?
- R136 extremely active in ejecting stars in its first 2 Myr
  - ⇒ Implications for cluster formation?

## Binary Disruption

- The vast majority of binaries are disrupted
  - ⇒ X-ray binaries and GW sources are exceptions
- Over-produces “Walkaways”
  - ⇒ Most runaways from dynamical ejections?
  - ⇒ Biased pre-*Gaia* samples?
- Binariness leaves imprint on the ejected star
- Can be used to constrain BH kicks (statistically)

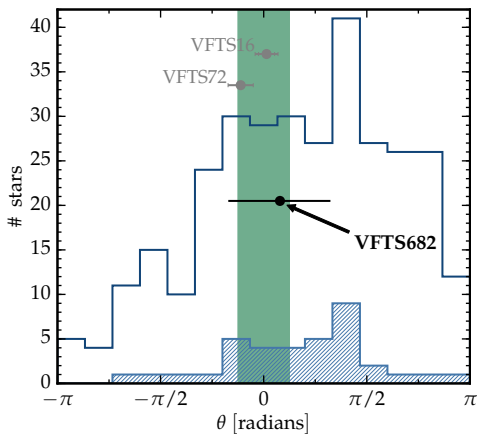
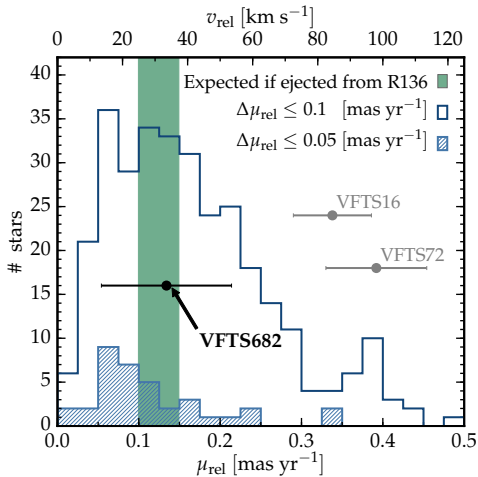
## Backup slides



# VFTS682: Concordant Picture?



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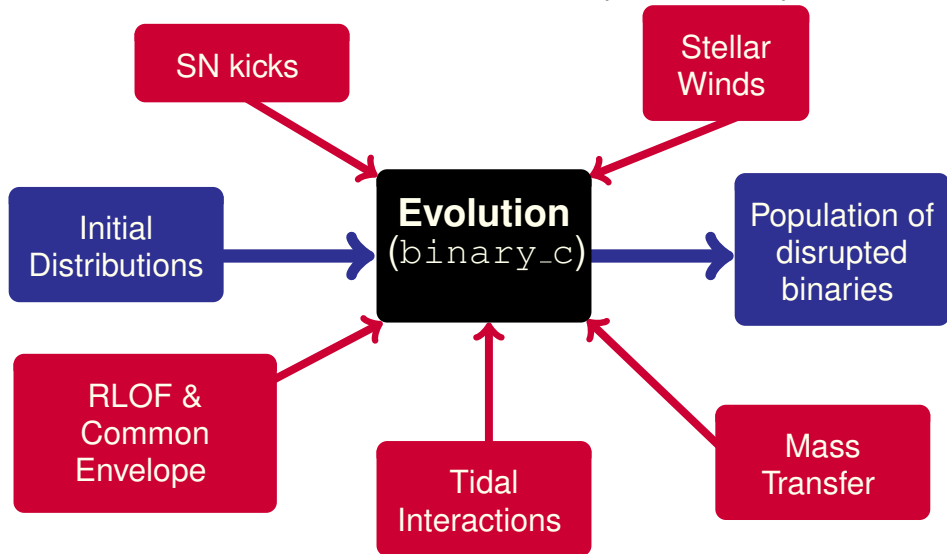
Large error bars compatible with no motion, but  
**best values fit with expectations for dynamical ejection**

# Method: Population Synthesis

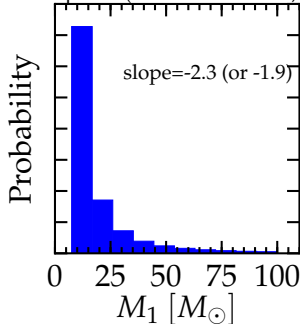


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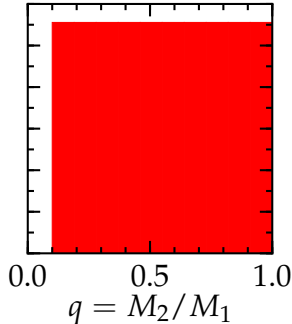
Fast  $\Rightarrow$  Allows statistical tests of the inputs & assumptions



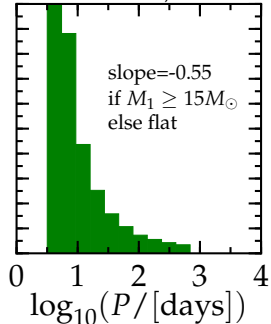
Kroupa '01 (or Schneider *et al.*, '18)



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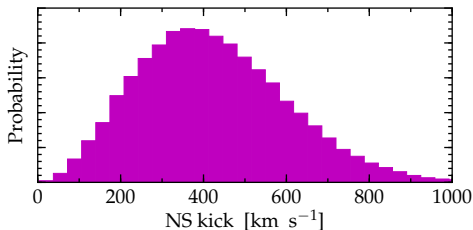


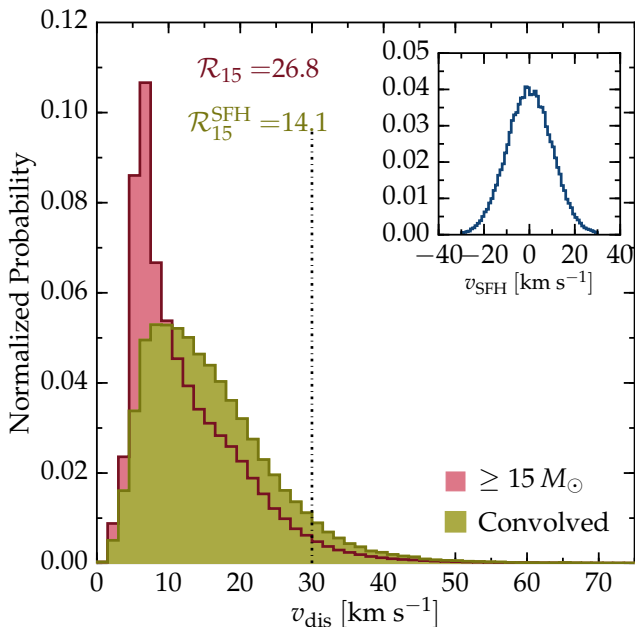
Sana *et al.*, '12



Maxwellian  $\sigma_{v_{kick}} = 265 \text{ km s}^{-1} + \text{Fallback rescaling}$

(from Fryer *et al.* '12)

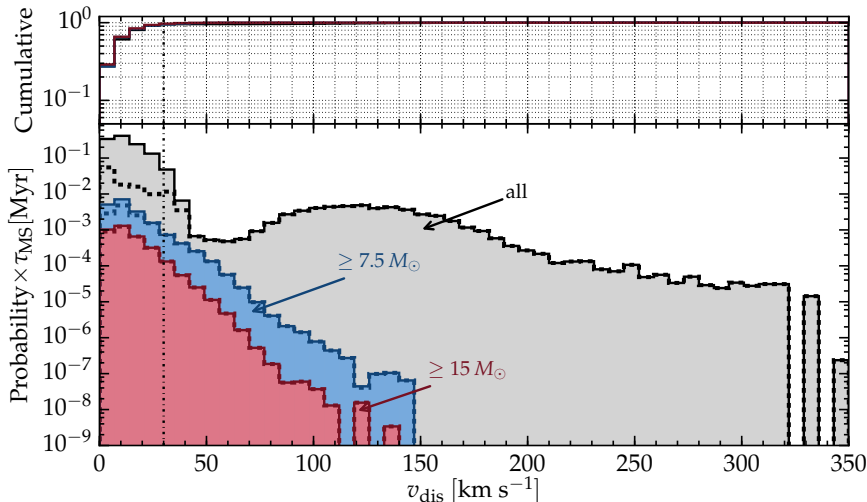




# Velocity distribution with lifetimes



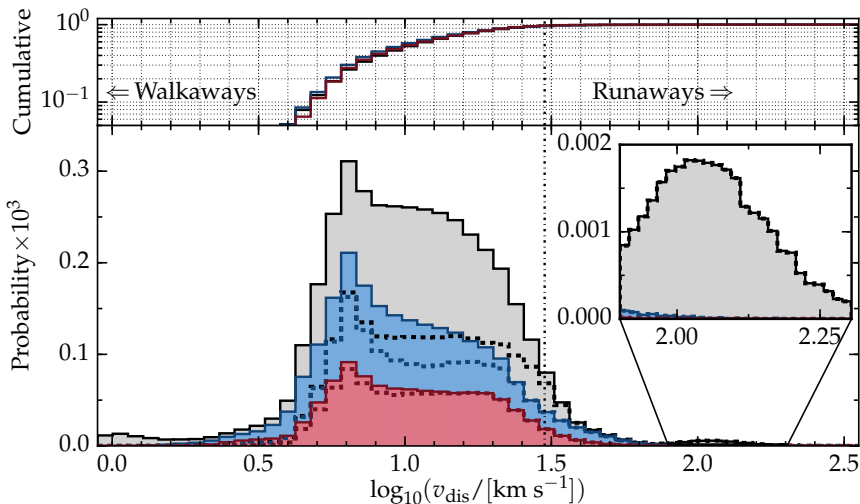
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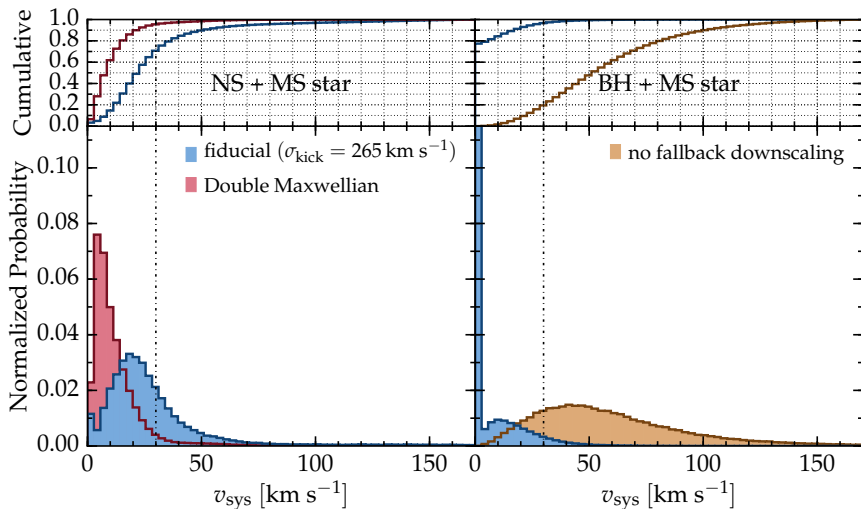


# Velocity distribution log-scale



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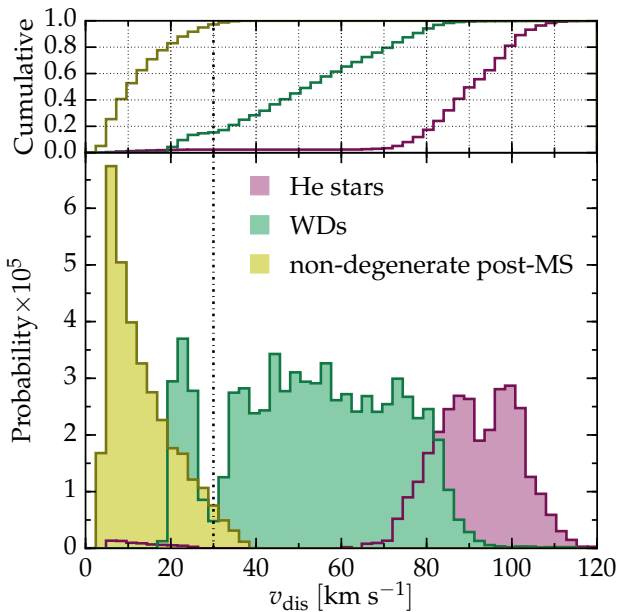




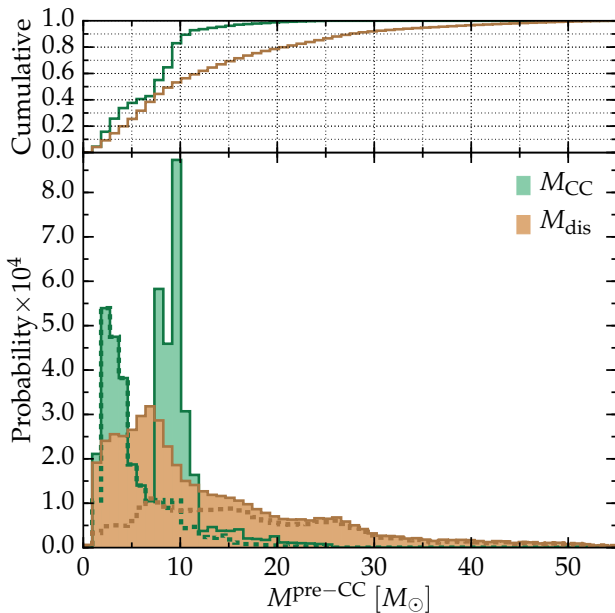
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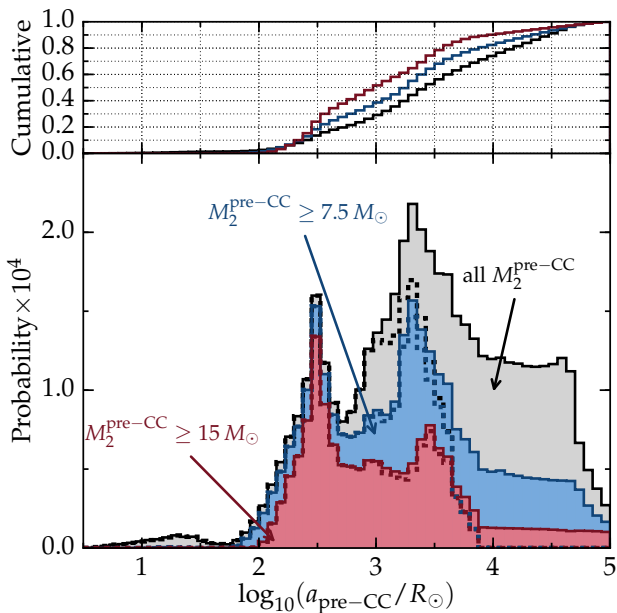


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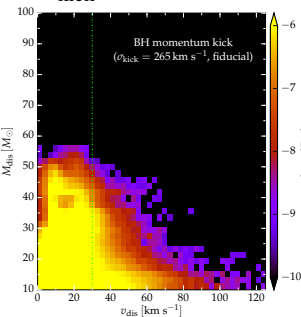






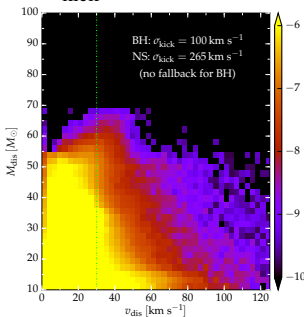
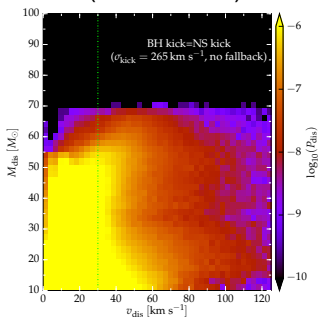
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Intermediate BH kick

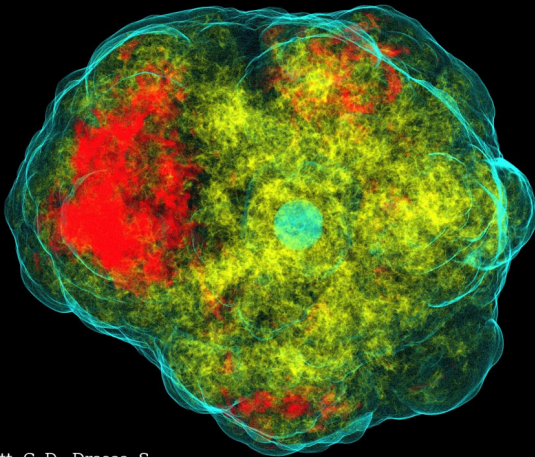
$$\sigma_{\text{kick}} = 100 \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

Large BH kicks  
(no fallback)

# SN natal kick

Observationally:  $v_{\text{pulsar}} \gg v_{\text{OB-stars}}$

Physically:  $\nu$  emission and/or ejecta anisotropies



Credits: Ott, C. D., Drasco, S.

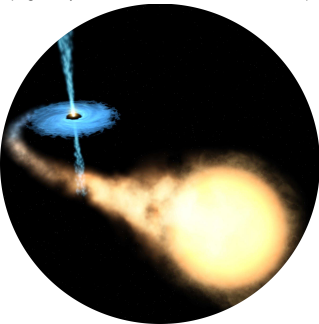
...from disrupted binaries

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- Binary evolution

# Do BH receive natal kicks?

Spatial distribution  
of X-ray binaries

(e.g., Repetto *et al.* '12,'15,'16, Mandel '16)

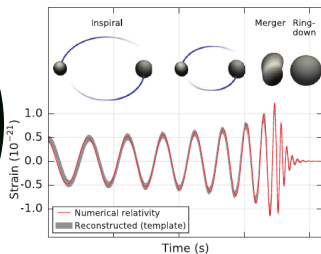


Massive (and WR)  
runaways

(Dray *et al.* '05)



Disrupted binaries are  
“failed” GW sources!



## ...from disrupted binaries

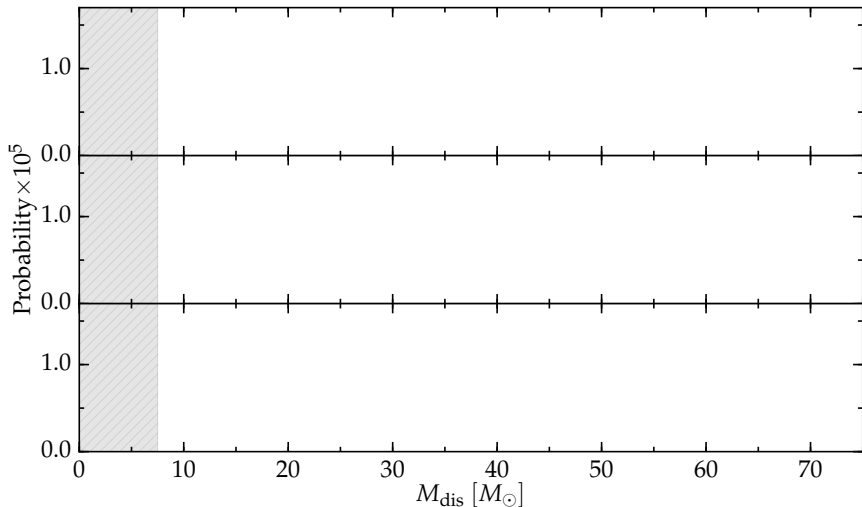
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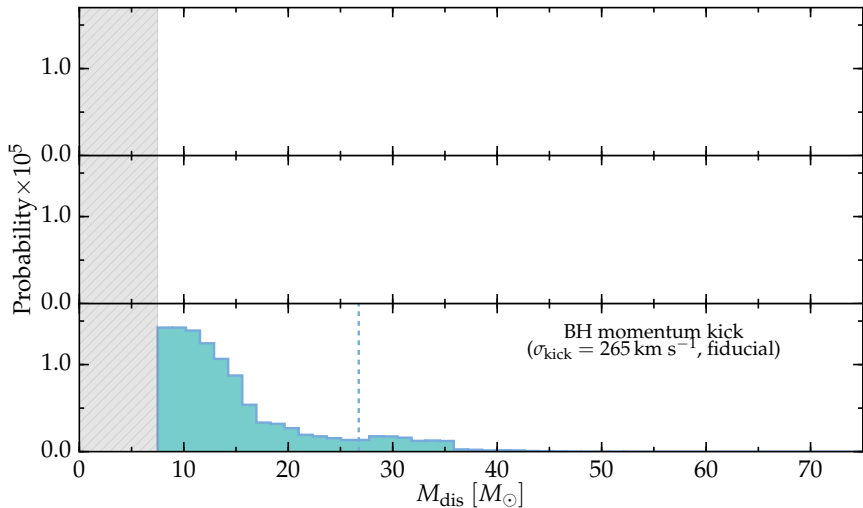
# Constraints on binary physics

- Orbital evolution  $\Leftrightarrow$  pre-SN period
- Mass transfer efficiency  $\Leftrightarrow$  pre-SN  $M_2$
- Angular momentum loss  $\Leftrightarrow$  isotropic re-emission, circumbinary disk, etc.

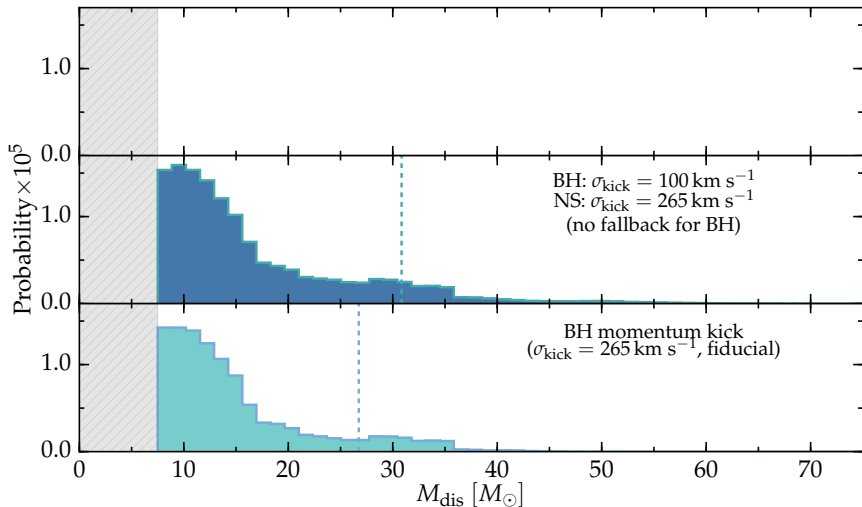


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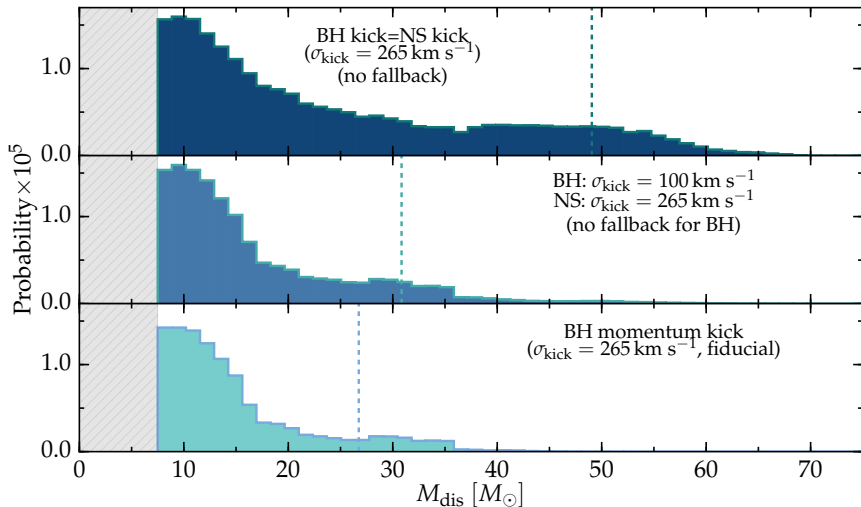


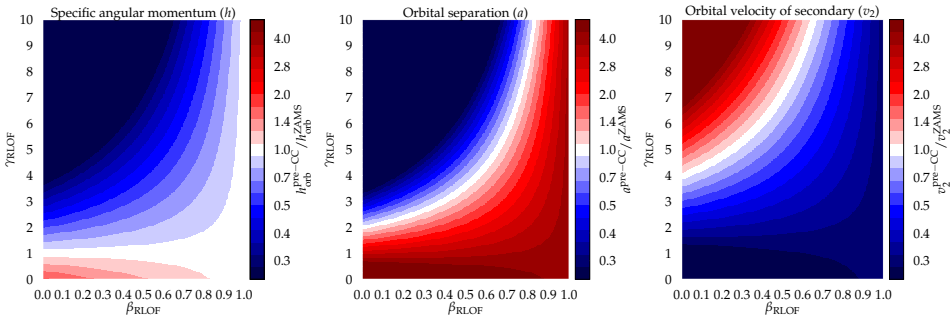
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Assuming constant  $\beta_{\text{RLOF}}$ ,  $\gamma_{\text{RLOF}}$ :

$$\beta_{\text{RLOF}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dot{M}_{\text{acc}} / \dot{M}_{\text{don}}$$

$$h \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \gamma_{\text{RLOF}} \frac{J_{\text{orb}}}{M_1 + M_2}$$

In fiducial simulation  $\beta_{\text{RLOF}}$  depends on  $\tau_{\text{KH}}$  of accretor