

# Summer school on the ISM of nearby galaxies



## Hands-on 2: Cloudy - emission lines

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## Basics of CLOUDY

Microphysics code to predict the thermal, ionization and chemical structure of a cloud  
Accurate simulation of physical processes at the atomic and molecular level

How does it work?

Integration of the step-by-step (slabs) absorbed/transmitted and re-emitted photons **kayaking** through a defined medium



- **Incident RF** (shape T and Q, ionizing photons, & intensity, distance (pc) or Luminosity)
- **Interacting medium**  
(densities/metallicities/abundances)

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- Cooling (emission)
  - Heating (absorption) functions

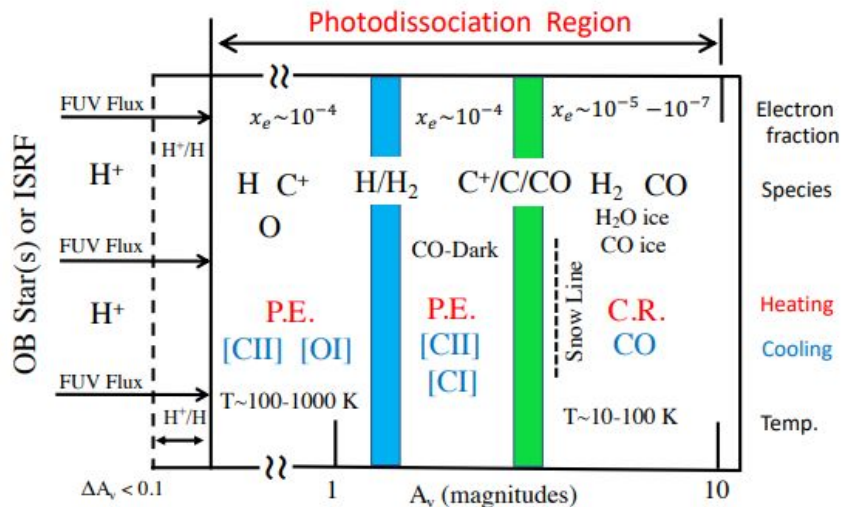
# Project 1: Structure of a PDR

Radial profile for several emission lines of different atoms/molecules for a set of physical conditions in a photon-dominated region (Rollig et al. 2007).

Our case:

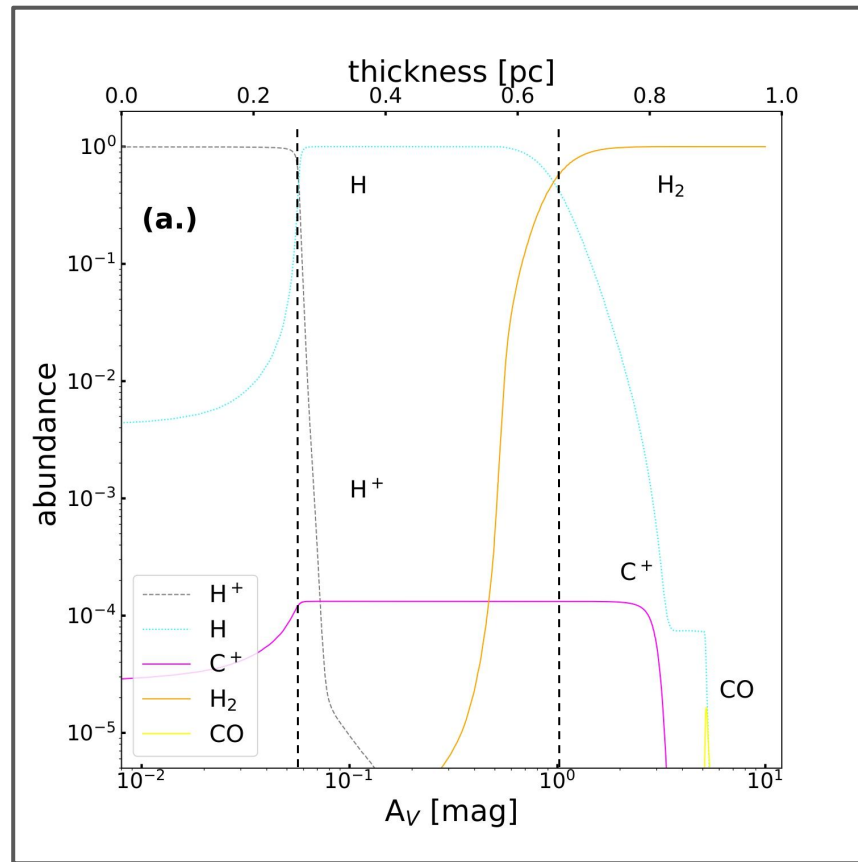
Selected lines (H<sup>+</sup>, H<sub>2</sub>, C<sup>+</sup>, C, CO) and A<sub>v</sub> as stop condition (10) to constrain a PDR

1. Abundance vs A<sub>v</sub>
2. Comparison with obs (NGC 278 & IC10)



Schematic of a PDR as a function of visual extinction from Wolfire+(22)

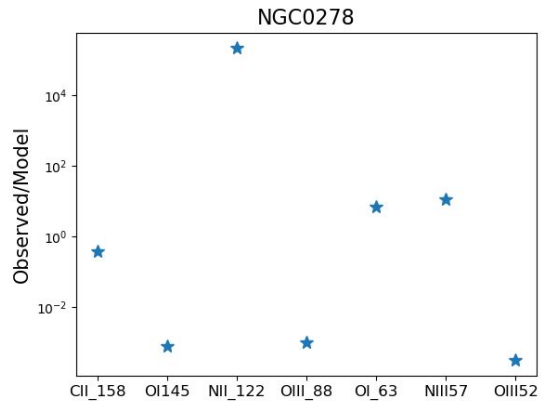
# Project 1: Results



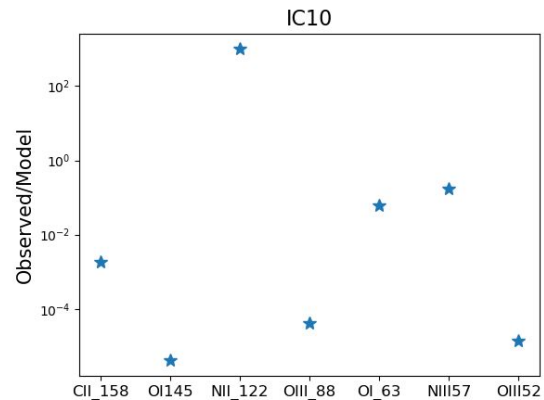
Schematic of a PDR: abundance of  $H^+$ , H,  $H_2$ ,  $C^+$ , CO as a function of visual extinction

# Project 1: Comparison with obs

NGC 278

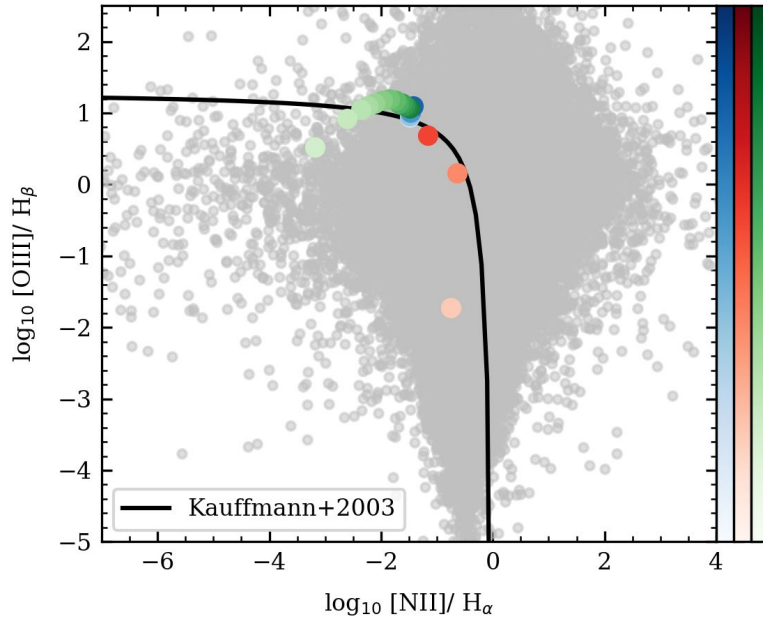


IC 10



Luminosity ratio, PDR model/obs (NGC 278, top, and IC10, bottom), for 6 selected lines.

## Project 2: BPT Diagram of a HII region



Varying:

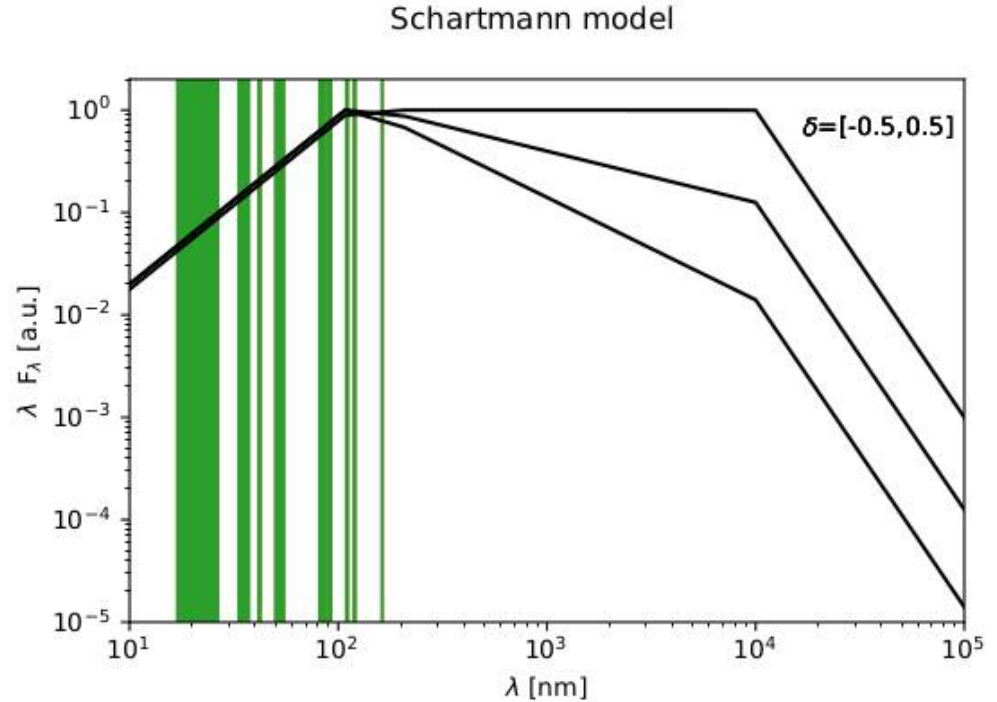
1. Number density of H ( $0 \leq \log n_{\text{H}} \leq 3$  [ $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ])
2. Ionisation parameter ( $-4 \leq \log u \leq -1$ )
3. Metallicity ( $-3 \leq \log Z \leq 0$  in steps of 0.25 [ $Z_{\odot}$ ])

# Project 3: Modelling AGN with CLOUDY

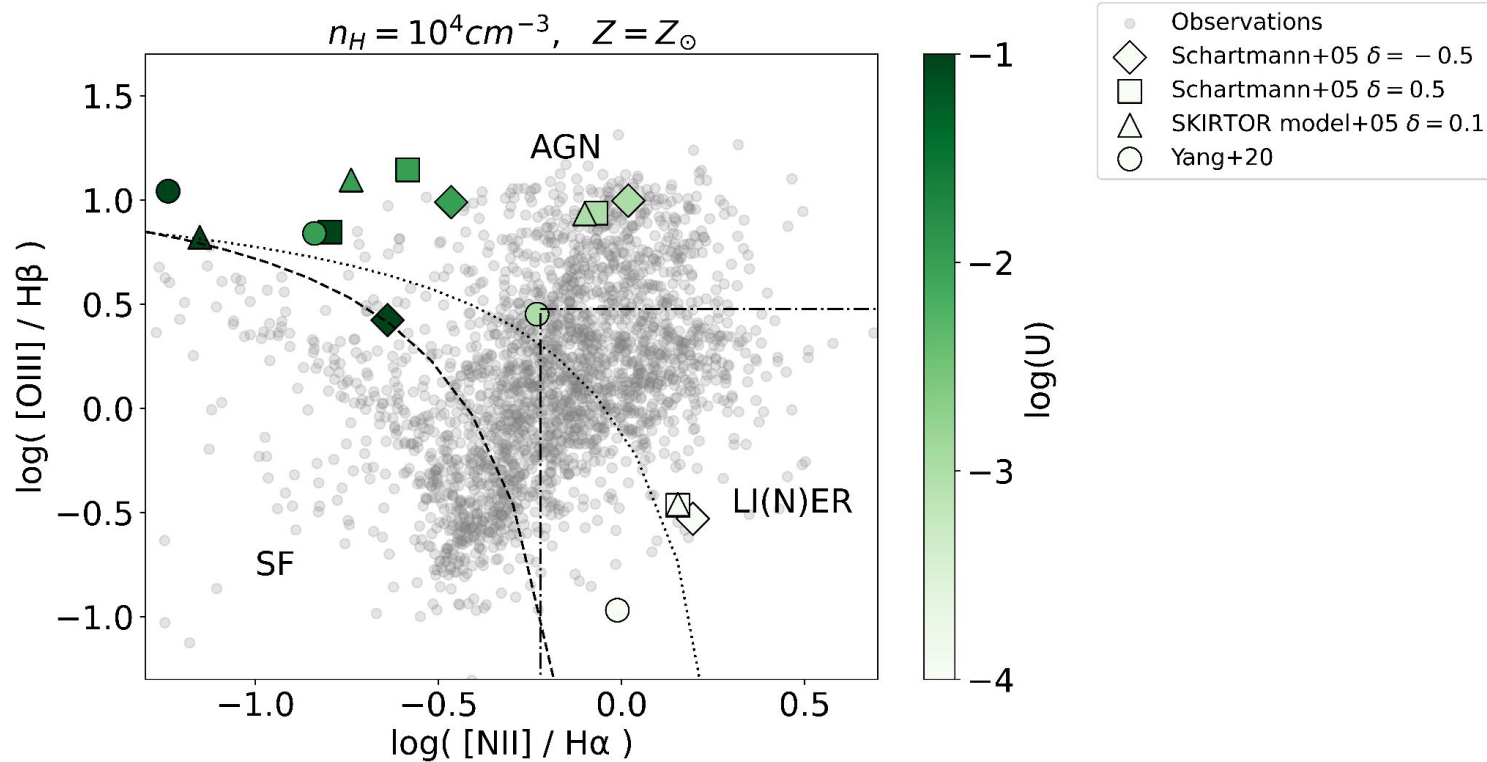
- Radiation field: SED

Varied parameters

- Ionisation parameter  $U$
- Metallicity  $Z$
- Hydrogen density  $n_{\text{H}}$

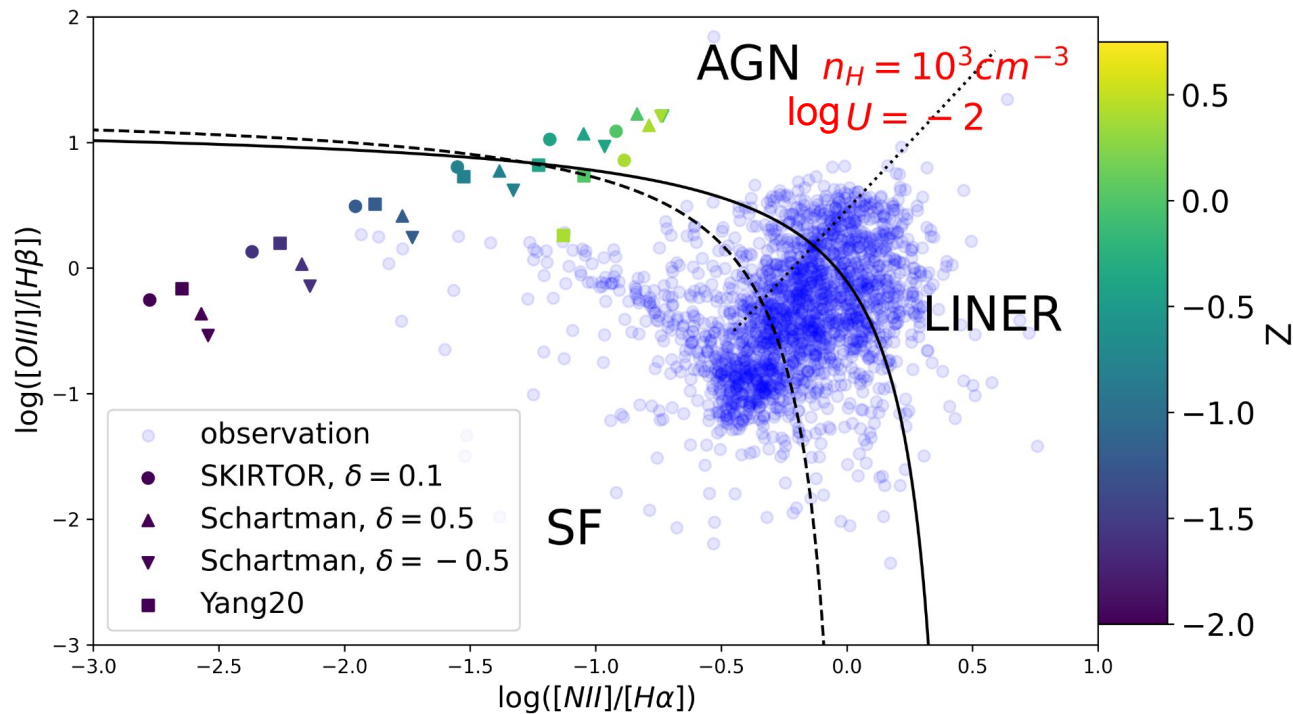


# Varying the Ionisation Parameter

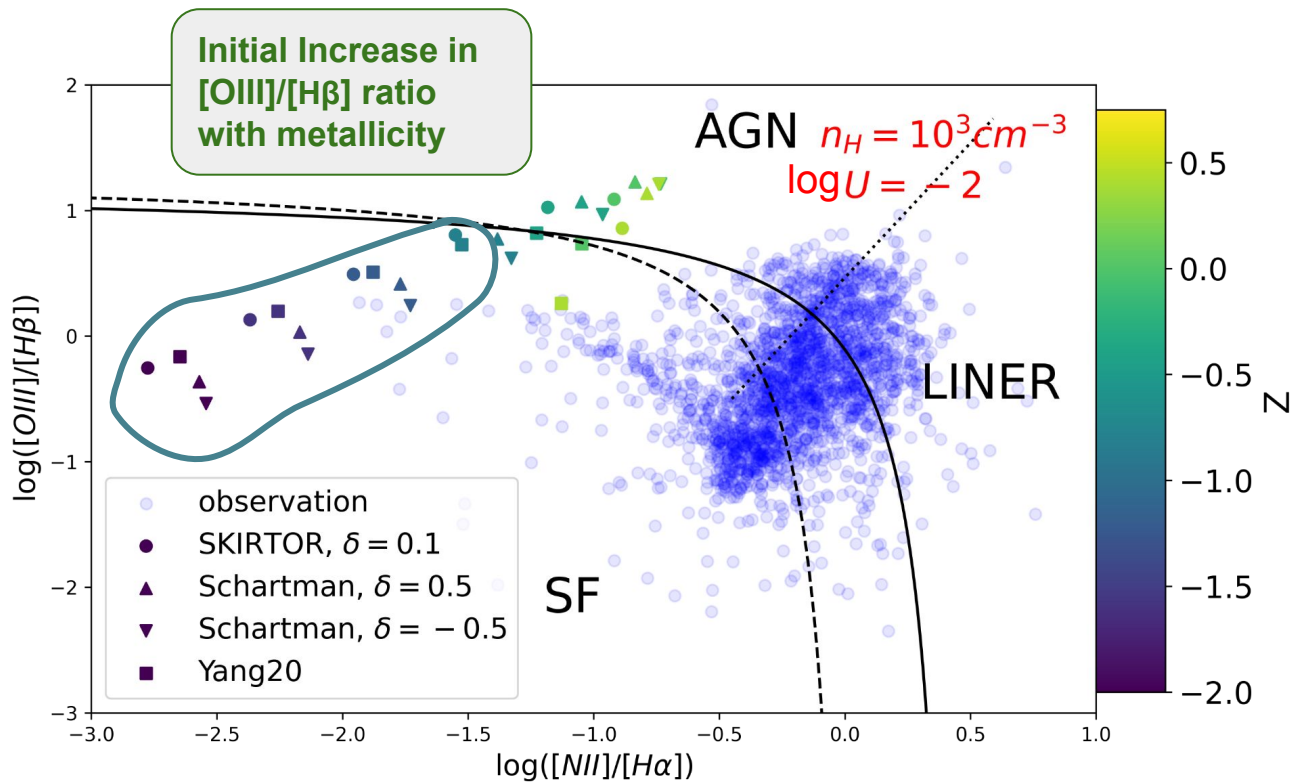




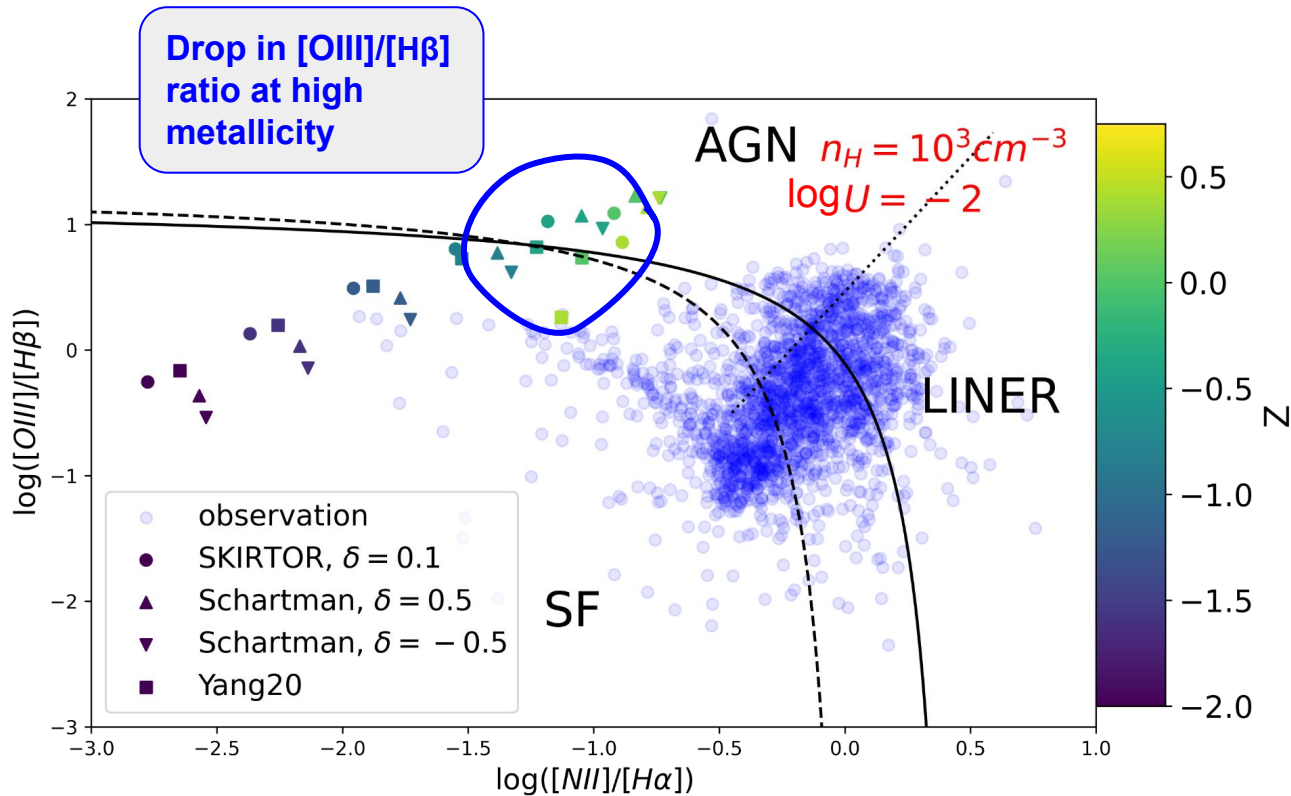
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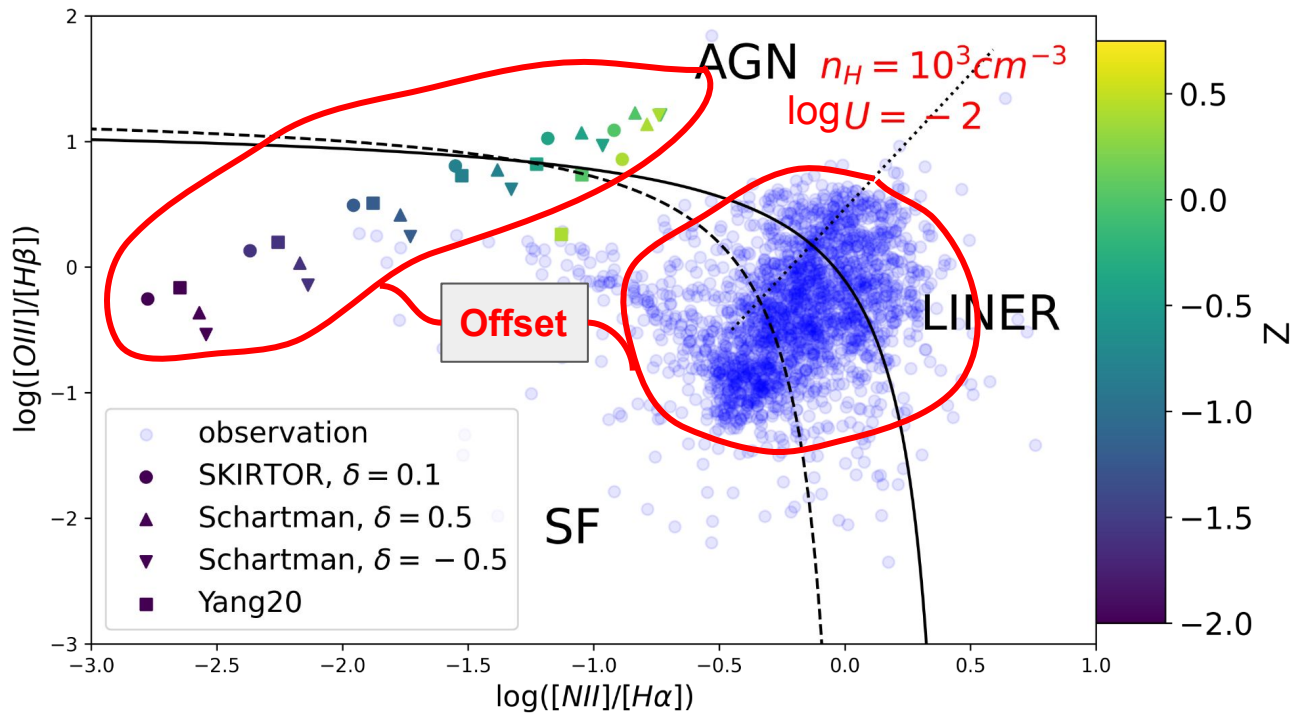
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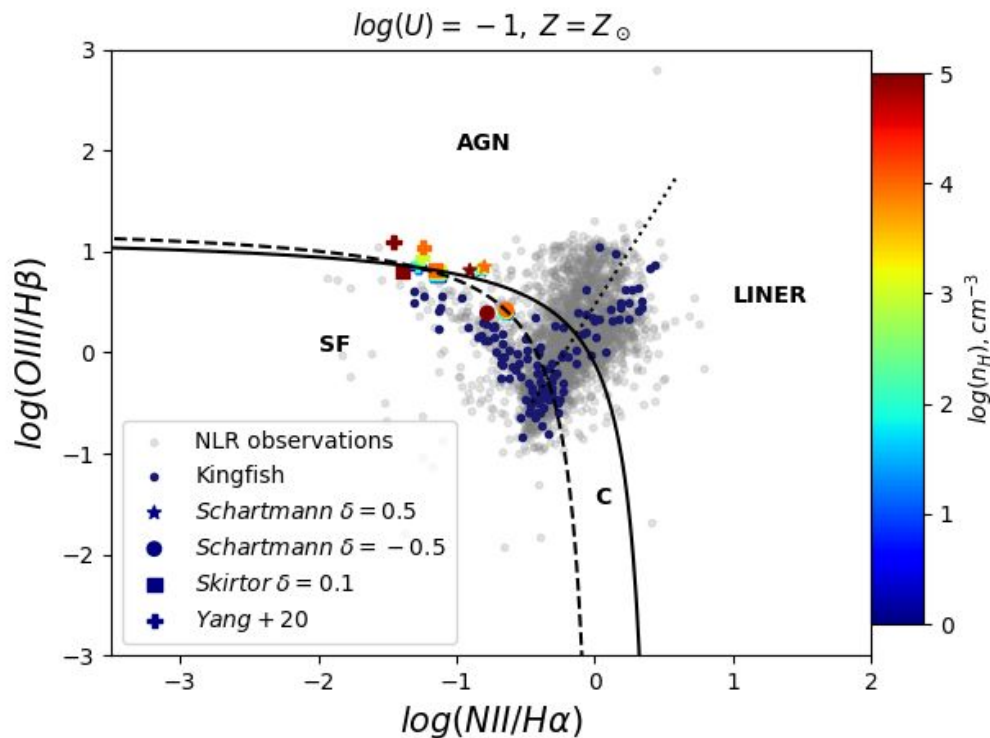


# Varying the Metallicity



## Varying the Hydrogen Density

- $10 \text{ cm}^{-3} < n_{\text{H}} < 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$   
low density regime, almost no effect
- $n_{\text{H}} > 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  - critical density, collisional de-excitation



More: (Ji et. al. 2020)

# Summery

