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Vertical mixing and fingering convection in cool brown dwarf atmospheres

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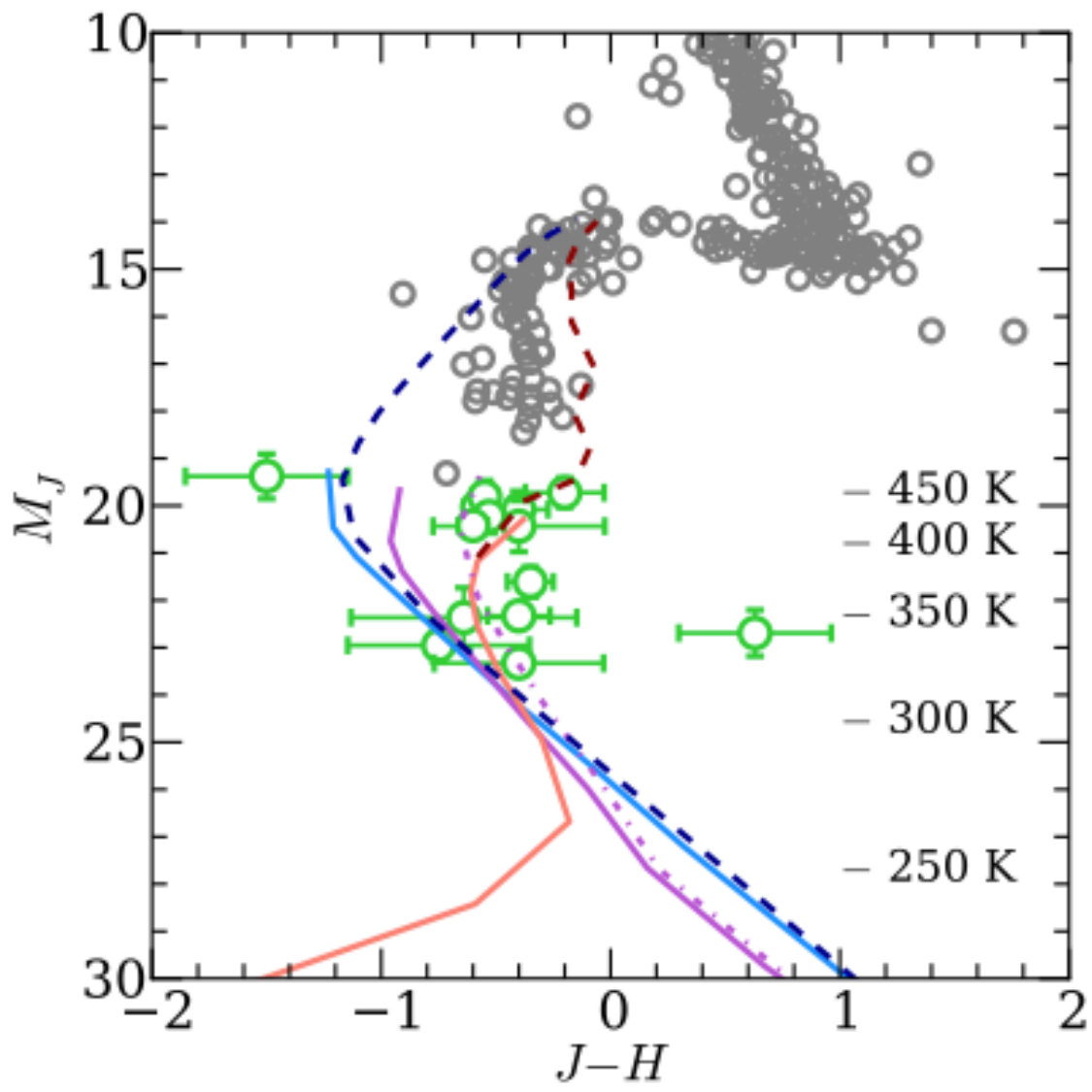
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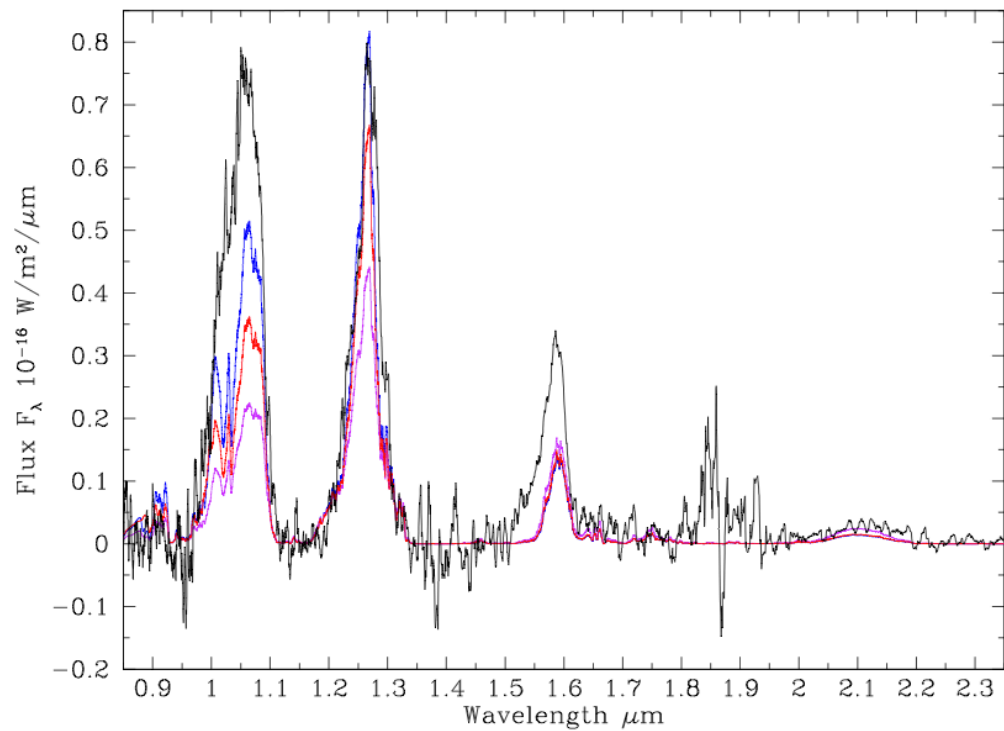
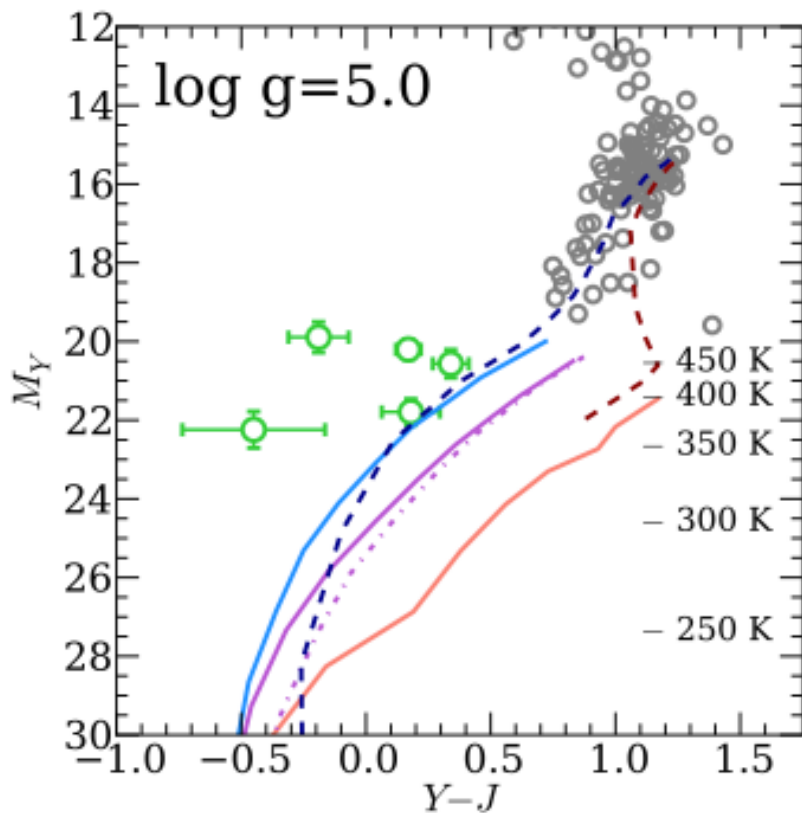
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Good cloud models (Na₂S, KCl, H₂O)
for T and Y dwarfs in J-H
Morley et al 2014

But, some issues for the Y and H band...

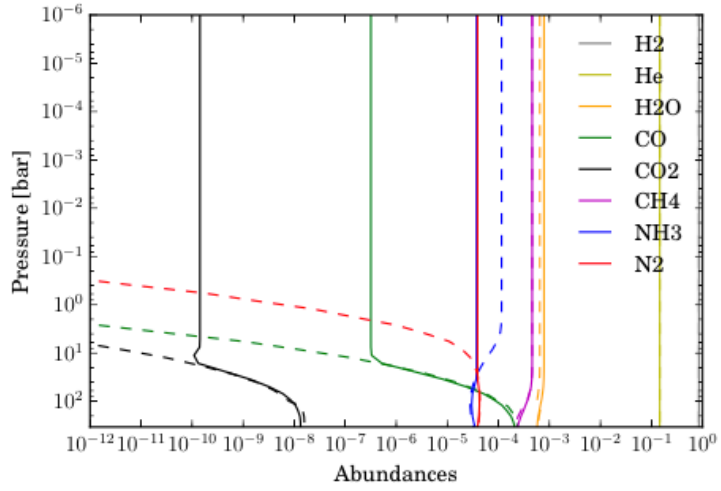
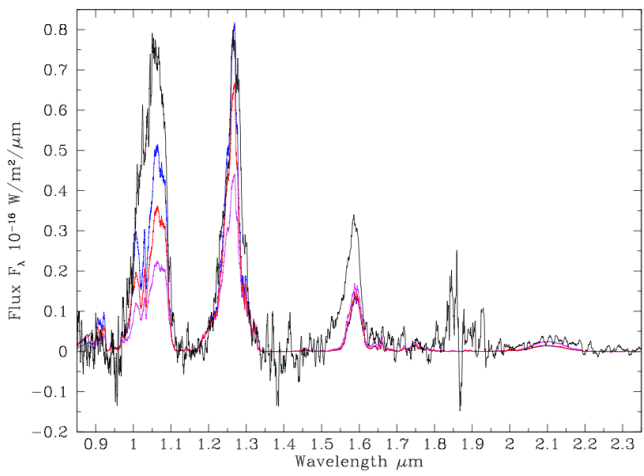
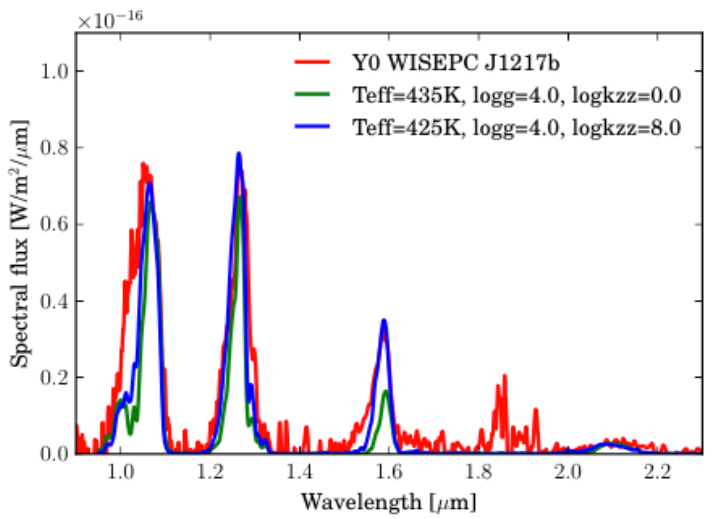


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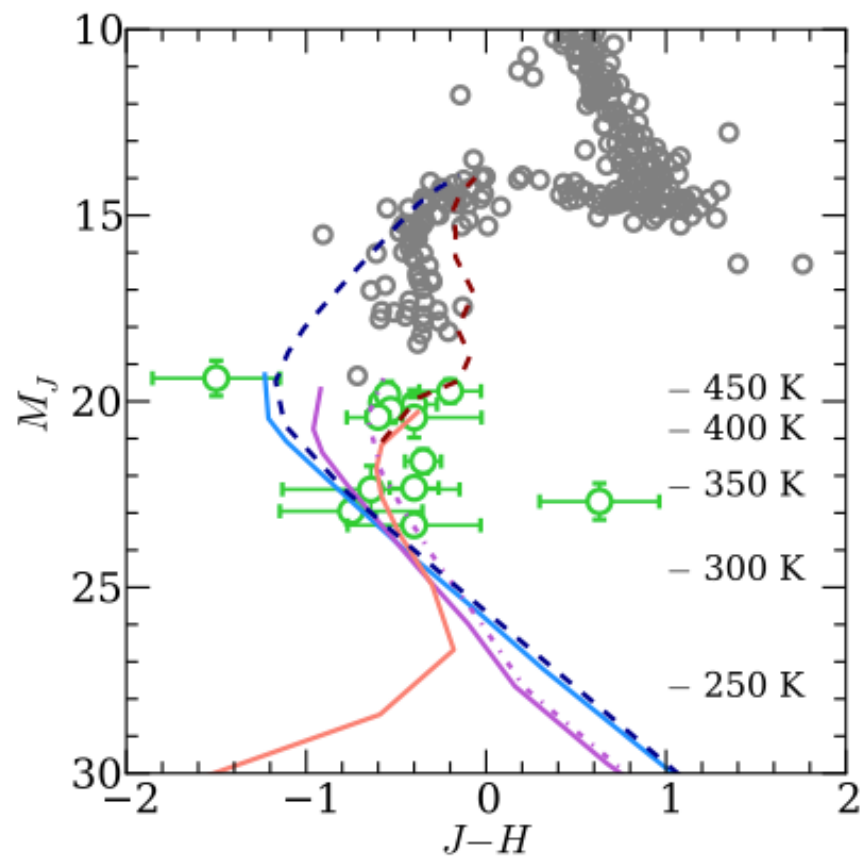
Leggett et al 2013, 2014 (w1217)

- 1D radiative/convective spectral code with out-of-equilibrium chemistry: ATMO
 - Chemistry:
 - ✓ Equilibrium chemistry by minimization of Gibbs-free energy
 - ✓ Chemical network with photochemistry and mixing from Venot et al. 2012: 109 species ~2000 reactions with C,N,O,H based species up to 2C (+TiO, VO, Na, K)
 - ✓ Condensation of H₂O and NH₃ and silicates (MgSiO₃, KAlSi₃O₈, etc..., no rainout for the moment)
 - Radiative transfer (Comparison in Amundsen et al. 2014):
 - ✓ Line by line computation at a resolution of 0.001 cm⁻¹: 5E7 frequencies
 - ✓ Correlated-K method with 32 bands and 10 coefficient per band
 - ✓ Discrete ordinate method (Gauss legendre quadrature) with 16 rays
 - ✓ H₂-H₂ and H₂-He CIA, NH₃, CH₄ (Exomol), CO, CO₂, H₂O, TiO, and VO, Na and K.

➤ Application to Y dwarf WISE1217, vertical mixing NH3 reduced by a factor 3

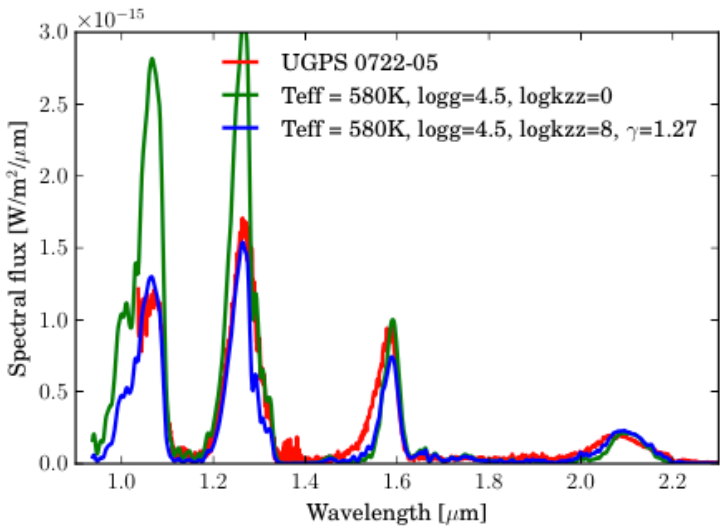
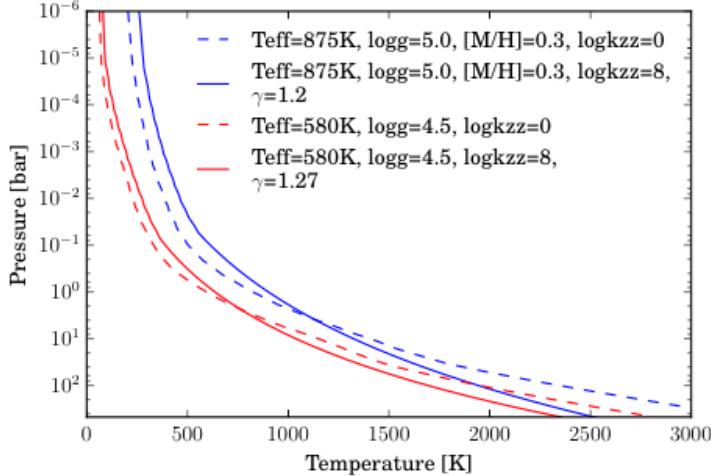
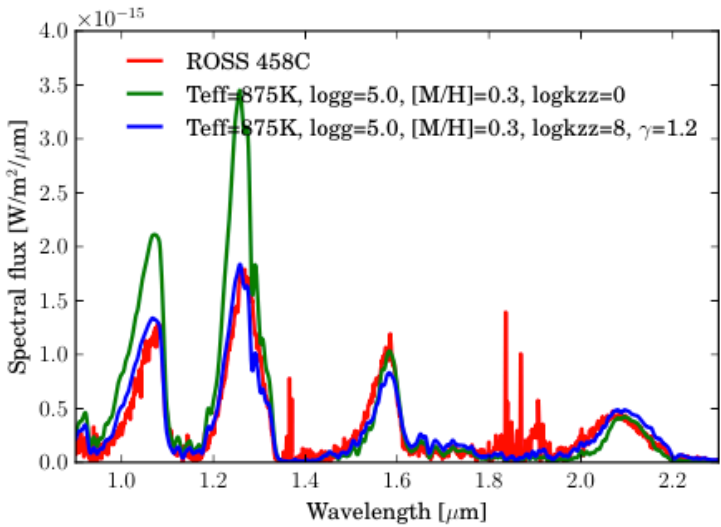


➤ Application to T dwarfs? Presence of clouds?

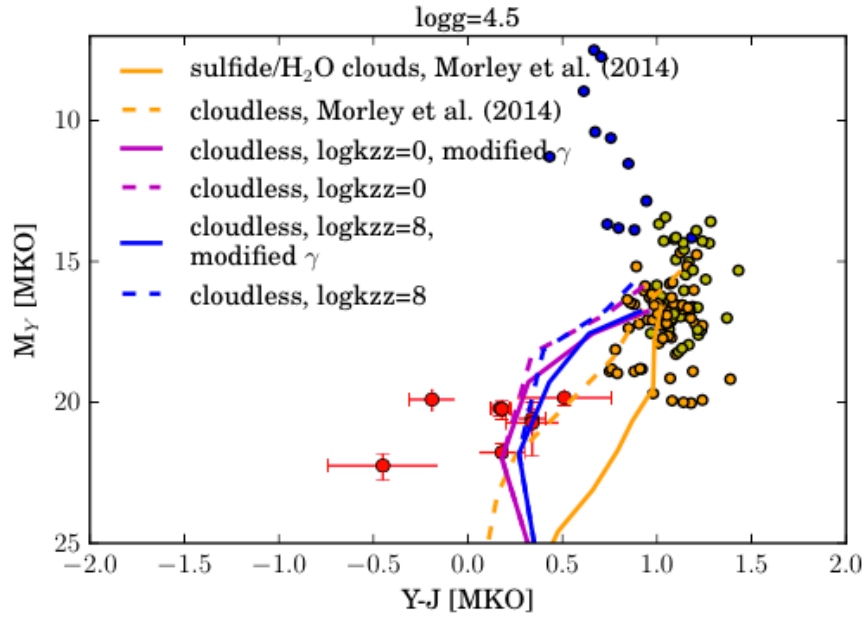
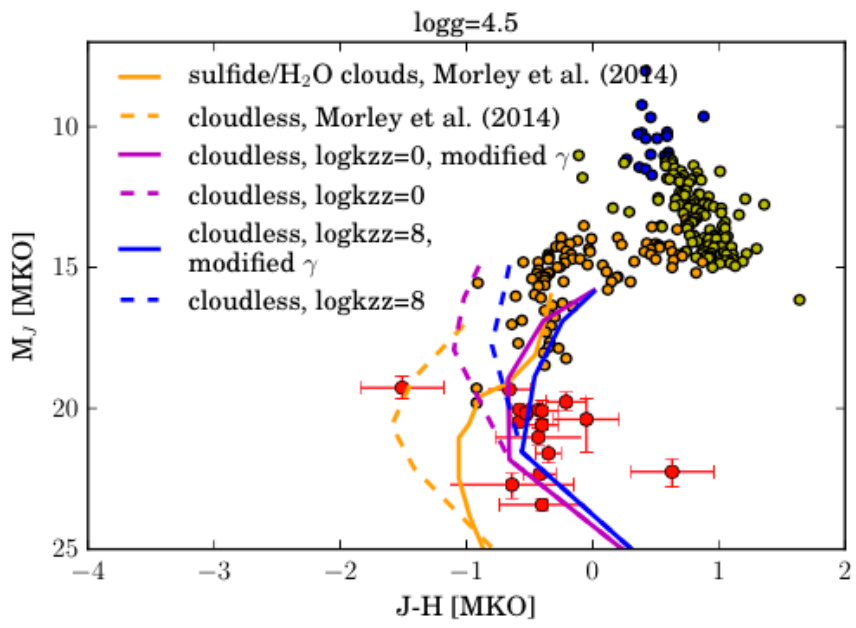


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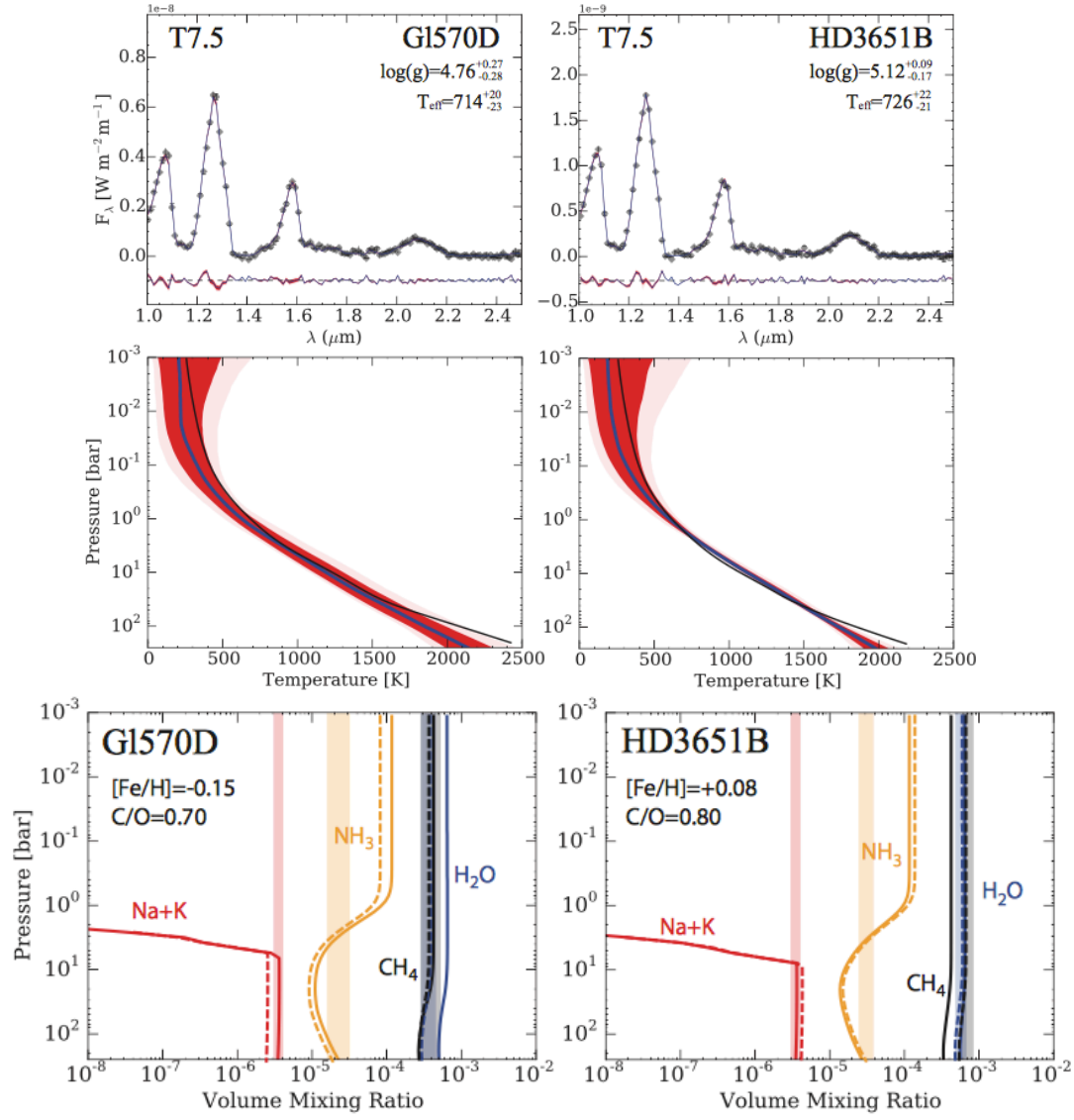
➤ Application to T dwarfs: Ross 458C UGPS 0722-05:



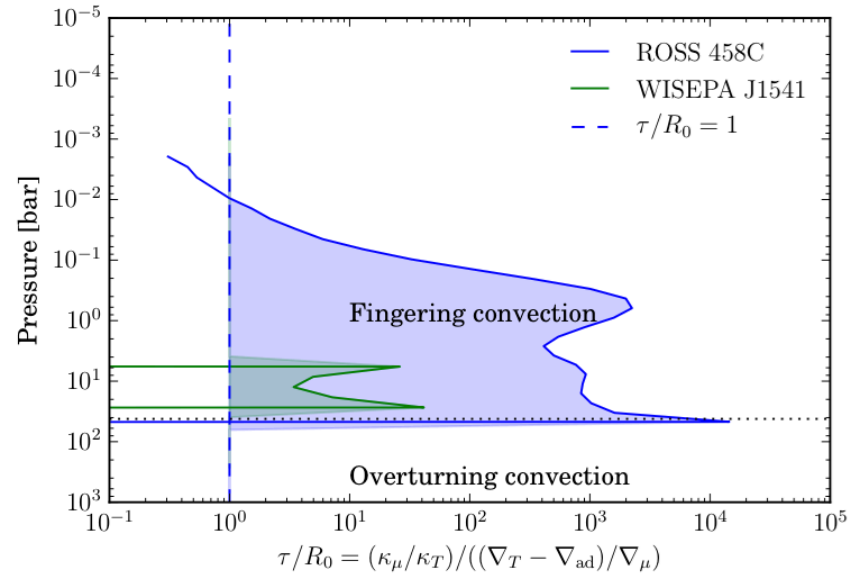
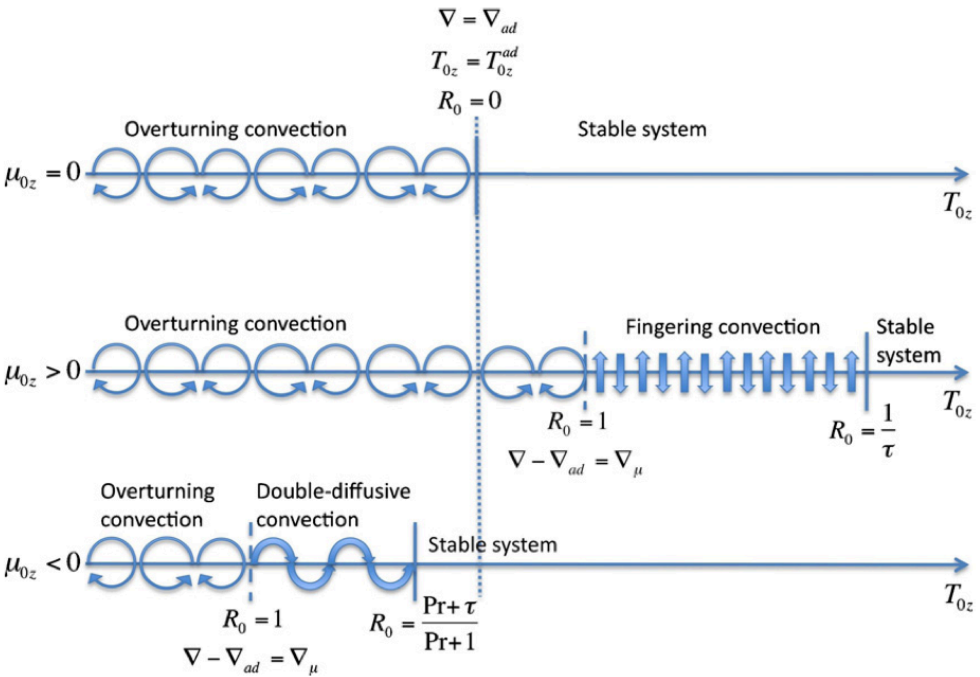
➤ Color magnitude diagram



➤ Confirmed by Line et al. 2015 with retrieval methods:



➤ Modified adiabatic index, fingering convection or clouds?



Rosenblum et al 2012

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