# On the [CII]-SFR relation in high redshift galaxies

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• Current observations at z~7 have, at a given SFR, a [CII] luminosity lower than that observed most local galaxies



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Vallini+2013

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## **Emission from PDRs**



- **n** from the log-normal distribution resulting from the turbulent fragmentation of the GMCs
- **G**<sub>0</sub> scales with the SFR
- **Z** following the Z- $\Delta$  relation (Pallottini+2014), or constant profile.



#### Effect of the CMB on the line emission

The  $T_{CMB}$  increases as (1+z) hence at high redshift it becomes a stronger background against which we observe the [CII] line.

If:  $T_{ex}([CII]) \rightarrow T_{CMB}$  the fraction of the of the intrinsic line flux observed against the CMB radiation approaches to zero.

$$\zeta \equiv \frac{F_{\nu}^{ag}}{F_{\nu}^{int}} = \frac{\left[B_{\nu}(T_s) - B_{\nu}(T_{CMB})\right]\tau_{\nu}}{B_{\nu}(T_s)\tau_{\nu}} = 1 - \frac{B_{\nu}(T_{CMB})}{B_{\nu}(T_s)}$$

$$\varsigma = 0.1 - 0.2$$

$$\varsigma = 0.8 - 1.0$$

$$PDRs$$

#### Results: contribution of the various gas phases to the [CII]



#### Results: [CII] spectrum from PDRs and CNM for <Z $>=0.05Z_{\odot}$



#### Results: theoretical [CII]-SFR relation



## Conclusions

- The fraction [CII] of the emission arising the diffuse medium is < 10% if we take into account of the effect of the CMB background. Intrinsically it can account up to 40% of the emission.
- The emission from PDRs arises from the central region but we expect also other peaks from the overdense regions at the periphery of the galaxies
- The[CII]-SFR holds at high-z and eventual displacements can be due to (i) extremely low metallicities or (ii)  $\Sigma_{SFR}$   $\Sigma_{H2}$  relation different with respect to local galaxies



#### Results: [CII] luminosity as a function of Z and SFR



#### in white the current upper limits on high-z LAEs and LBGs