# **Angular Momentum Of Stars During** Formation: Effect of **Accretion on Stellar** Spin

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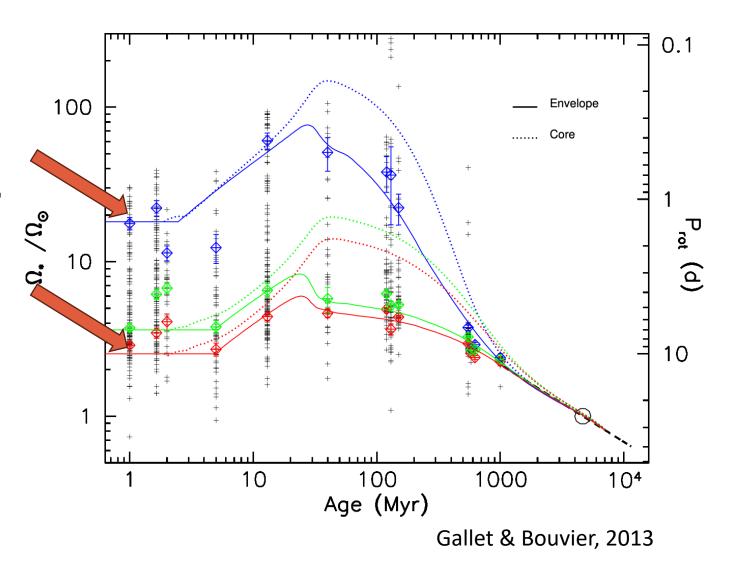
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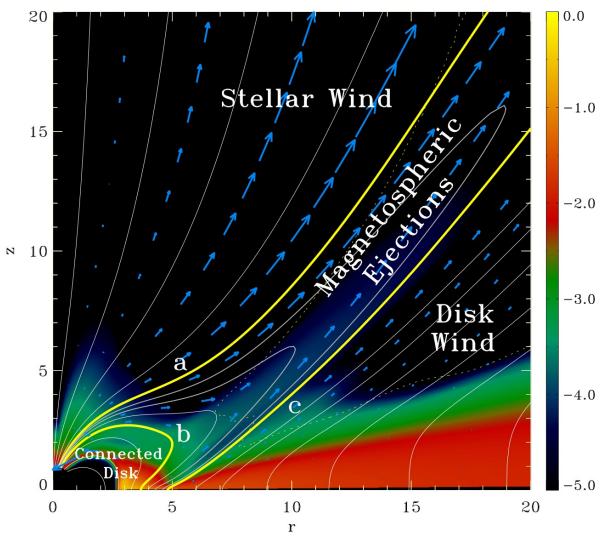
# **Angular Momentum evolution**

- Figure shows the rotation rate and angular velocity of solar-type stars
- Blue are fast rotators, green median, and red is slow
- My project will focus on the accretion phase
  - Disk-locking



#### **Star-disk Interactions**

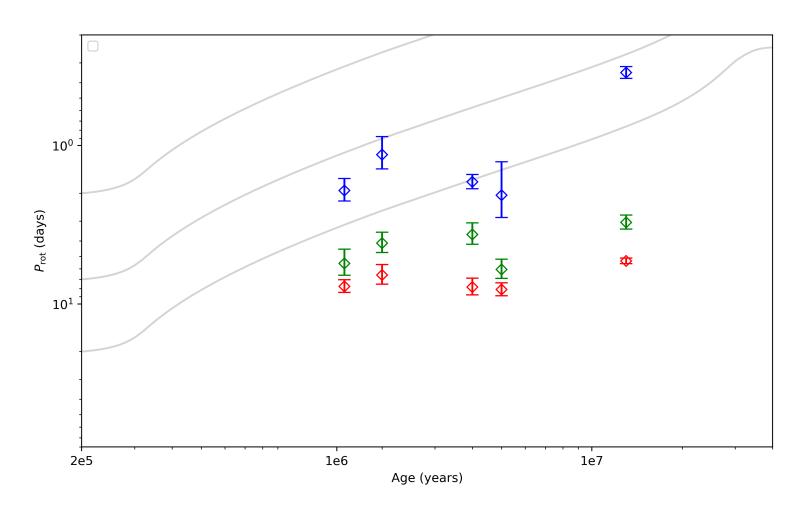
- Accretion
  - Accretion Phase
  - Accretion Disk
- Figure shows a star-disk interacting system
- Different environmental factors that can affect the angular momentum



Zanni & Ferreira, 2013

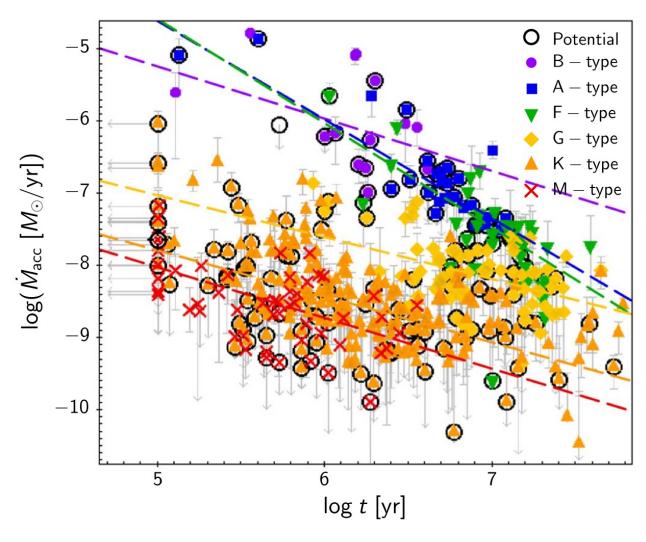
#### Models of the rotational evolution

- DizzyStars
- Parameters:
  - Accretion History
  - · Initial Mass Accretion Rate
  - Disk Lifetime
  - Magnetic Field Strength
- Figure shows the rotation of star as a function of time
- Observational data is from Gallet & Bouvier 2015



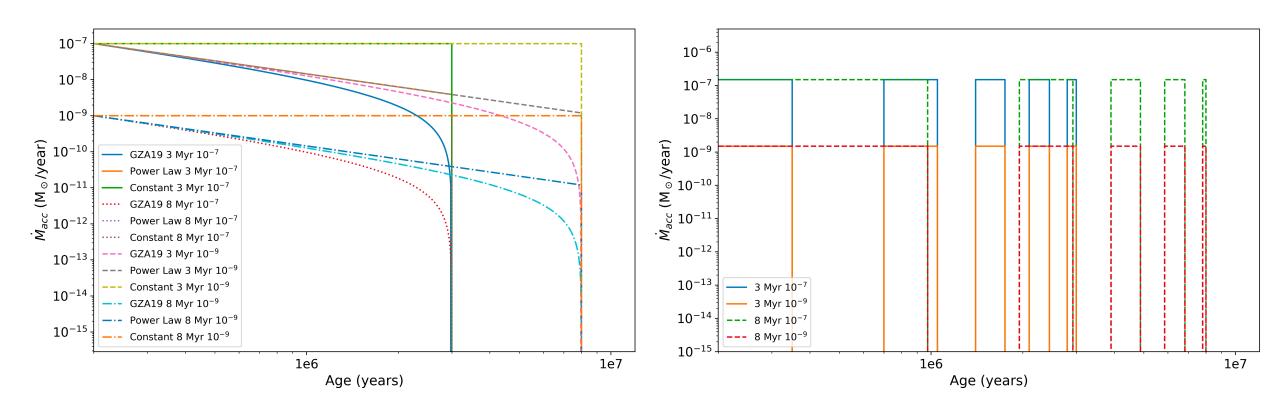
## **Observational Findings**

- Models used solar type stars for my project
- Figure shows the mass accretion rate as a function of time
  - Expect a power law function based on observational data

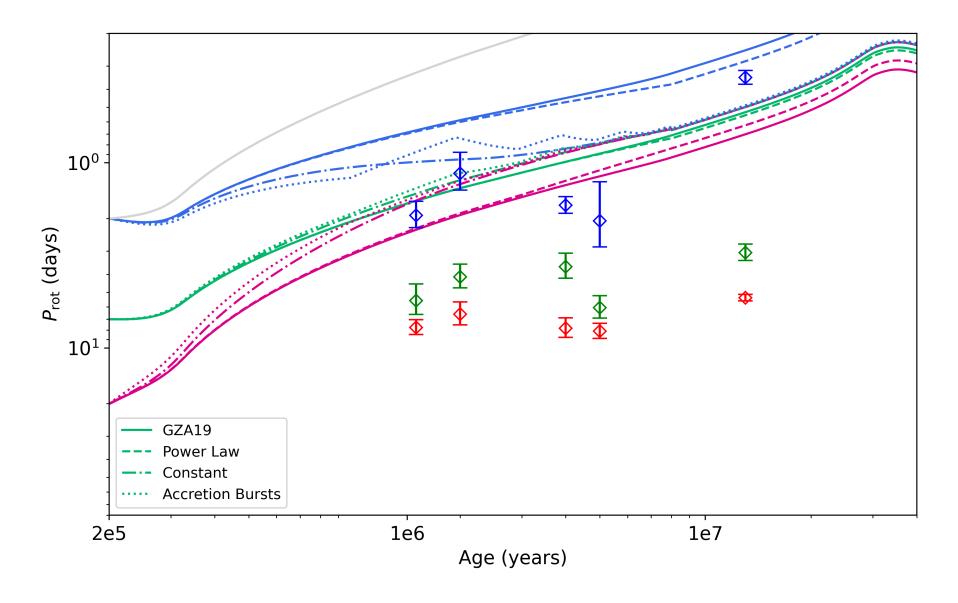


Venuti et al, 2024

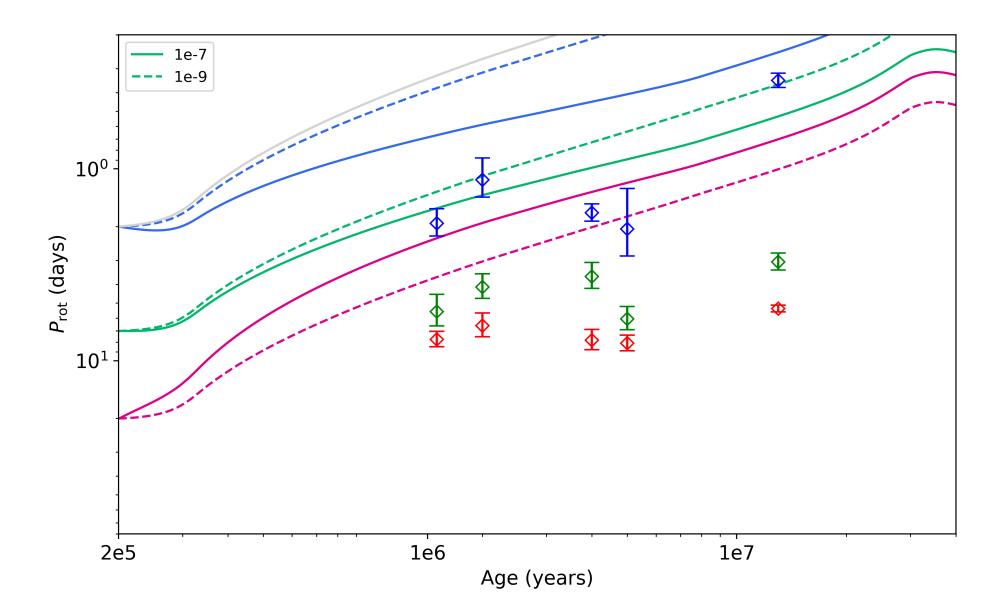
#### **Accretion Histories**



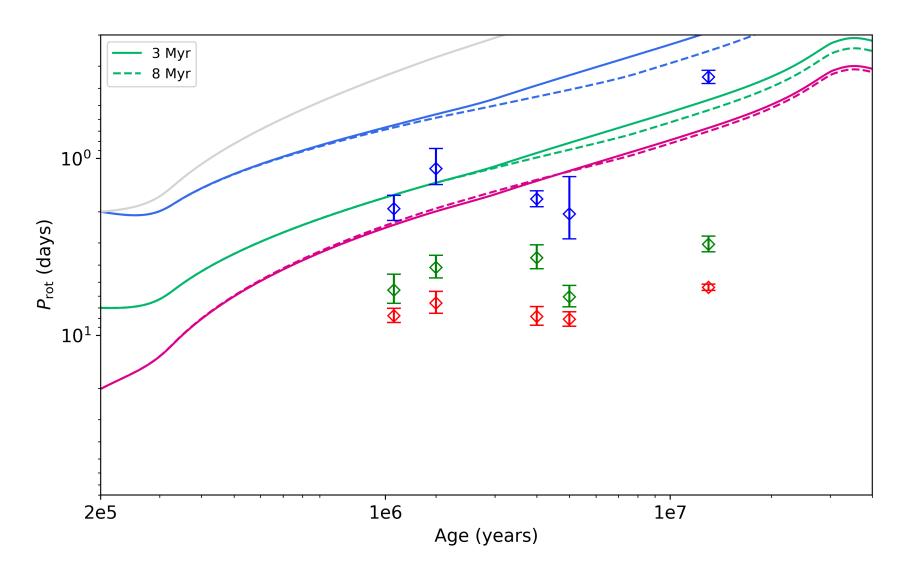
### **Accretion Histories**



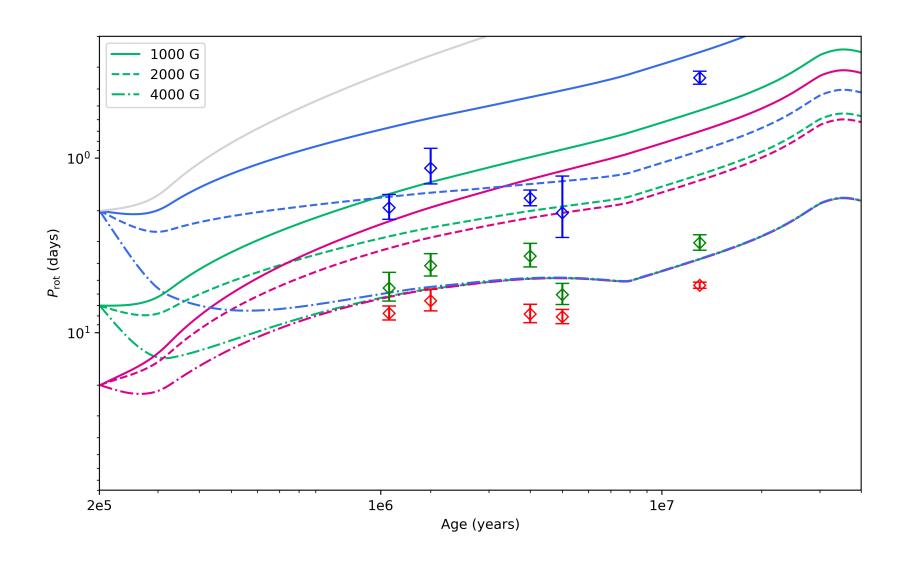
### **Initial Mass Accretion Rate**

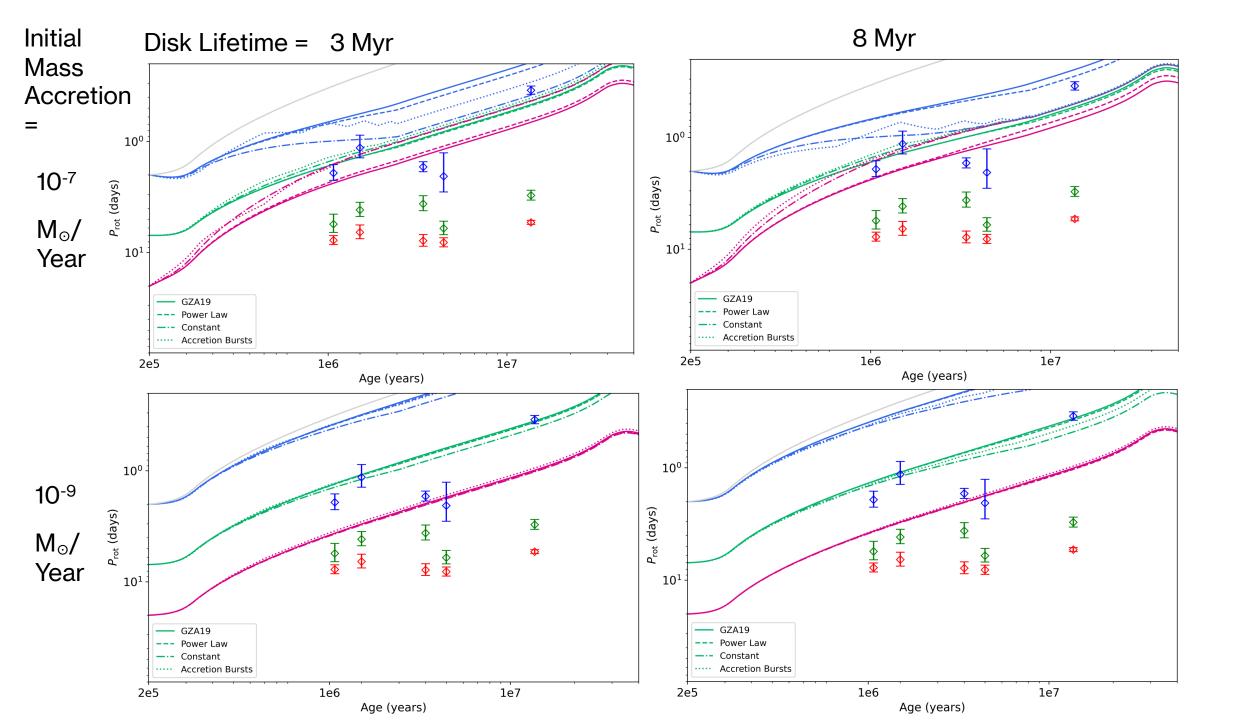


### **Disk Lifetime**



## **Magnetic Field**





#### **Conclusions**

- Accretion does affect the rotation
- Magnetic Field strength has a very strong impact
  - Observations show that a higher magnetic field strength is unlikely
- Future Parameters to explore
  - Stellar wind
  - Additional Accretion histories

