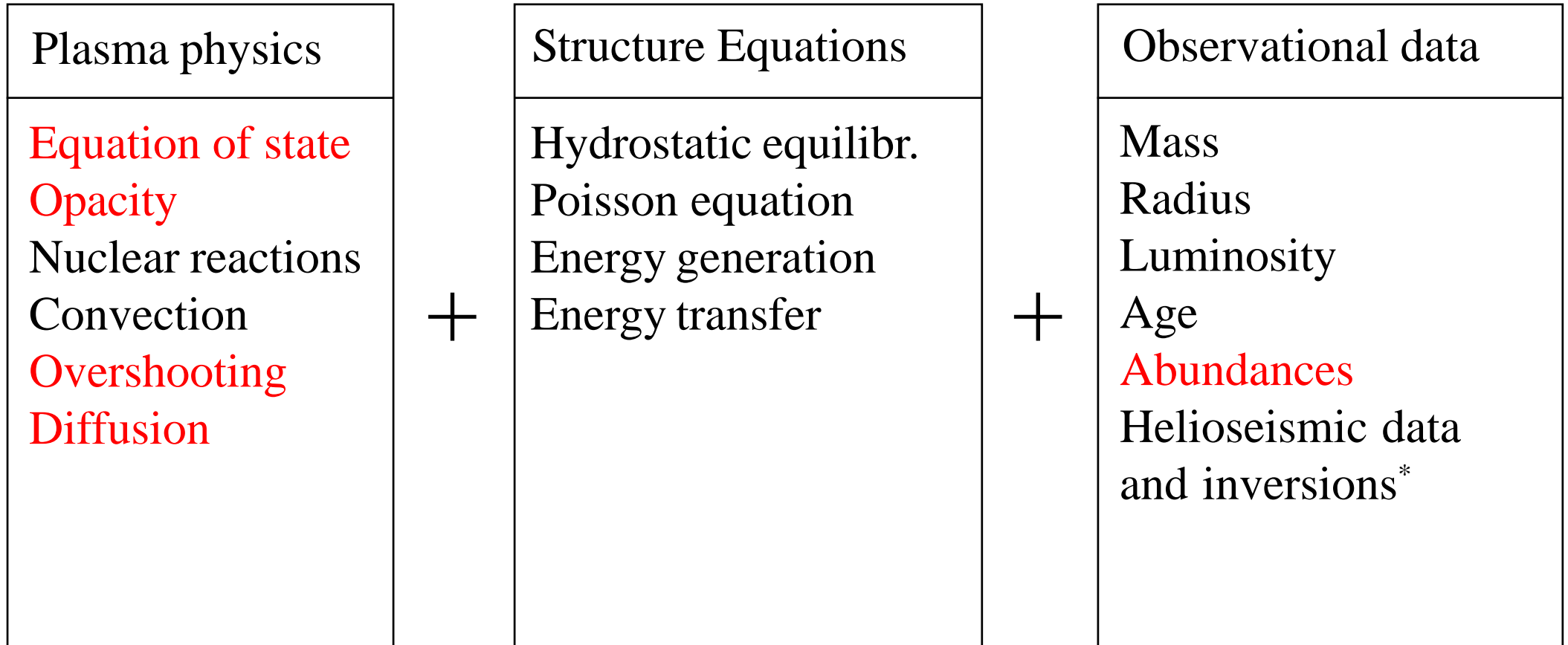


# Questions on the solar structure and evolution

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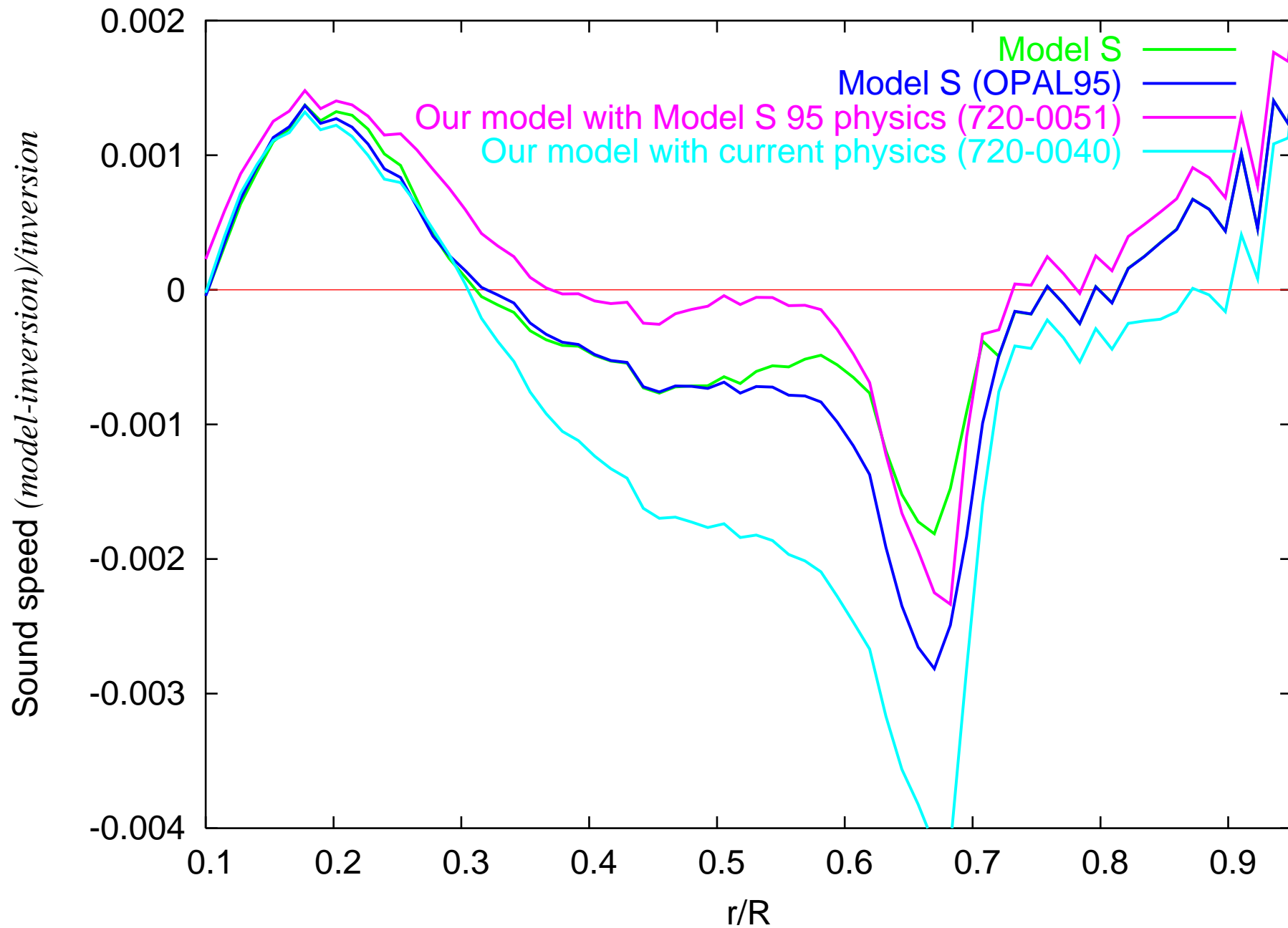


# Solar Model =



\*Inversions: Ycz, Rcz and sound speed profile from: S.Basu, H.M.Antia, Phys. Rep. **457** (2008), 217

# 13 years of modelling



## Heavy element abundances

Elements heavier than helium: *heavy elements*

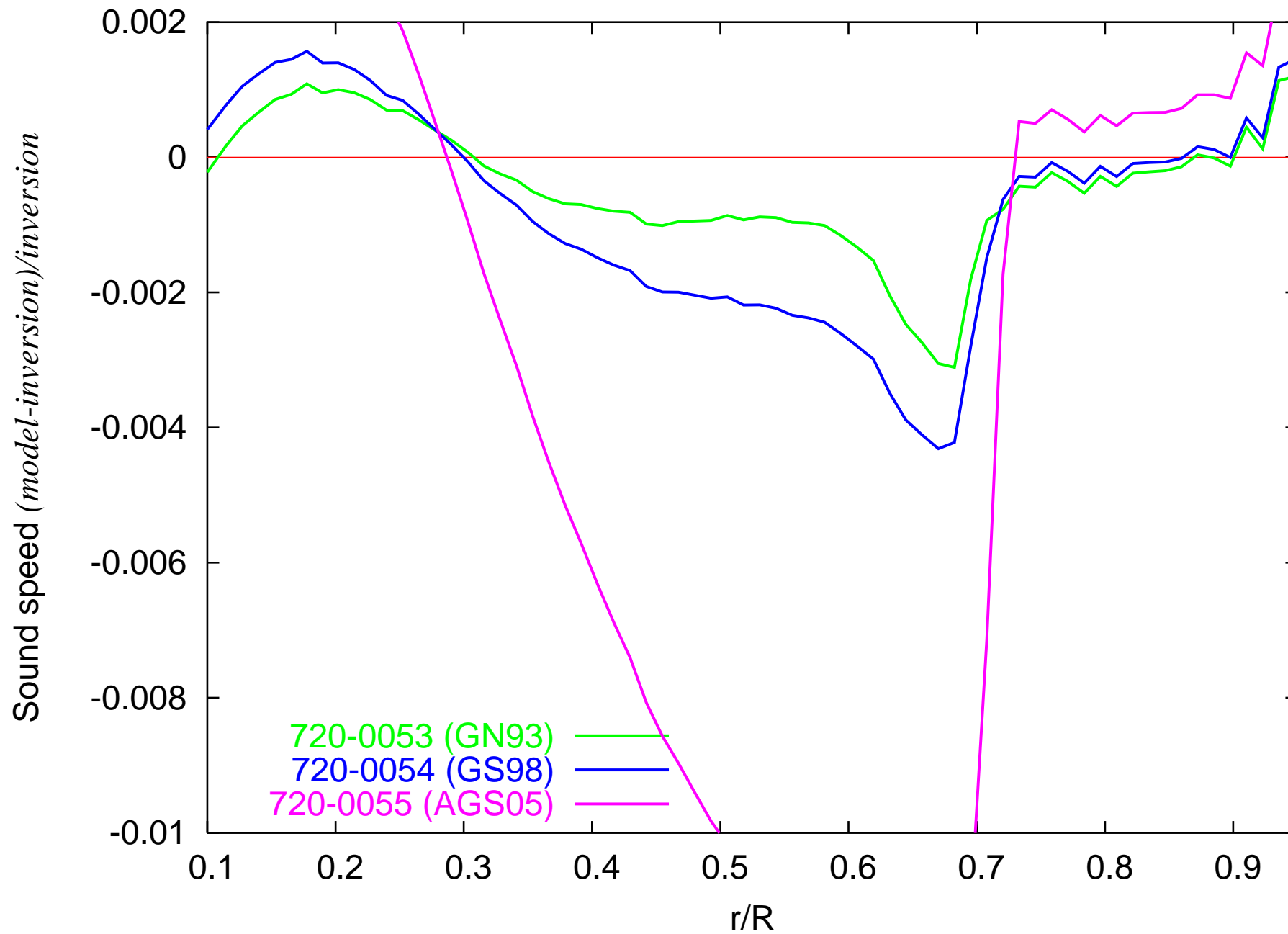
Relative concentrations of heavy elements: *mixture*

Are obtained from spectral analysis and meteorites

- AG89 Anders, E., Grevesse, N. 1989, *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta* 53, 197–214.  
 GN93 Grevesse, N., Noels, A. 1993, in *Origin and Evolution of the Elements*, eds., N. Prantzos, E. Vangioni-Flam, M. Casse, Cambridge Univ. Press, p. 14–25.  
 GS98 Grevesse, N., Sauval, A. J. 1998, *Space Sci. Rev.* 85, 161–174.  
 AGS05 Asplund, M., Grevesse, N., Sauval, A. J. 2005a, in *Cosmic Abundances as Records of Stellar Evolution and Nucleosynthesis*, eds., T. G. Barnes, F. N. Bash, ASP Conf. Ser. 336, p. 25–38.

	AG89	GN93	GS98	AGS05
Z/X	0.0274	0.0244	0.0231	0.0165

# 13 years of modelling and abundances: worse and worse...



## Chemical composition (abundances) and model calibration: question

Calibration: get solar model with proper  $R$ ,  $L$  at given age. Initial hydrogen content  $X_0$  and convection parameter  $\alpha$  are varied to obtain  $L=L_{\text{sun}}$ ,  $R=R_{\text{sun}}$ .

### Question:

What data we have before computing? What do we get when solar model is computed? Who do these data relate to each other?

### Observational data:

Abundances (GN93, GS98, AGS05), assuming  $\log_{10}(\text{H}) = 12$ . These are either for outer layers of the Sun or for meteorites.

### Solar model:

Abundances (usually mass fractions), **altered by diffusion.**

Cannot use observational data as direct input for evolutionary computing because at  $t=0$  abundances were different!

# Chemical composition (abundances) and model calibration: solution

Three calibration parameters instead of two:

Initial hydrogen abundance  $X_0$

**Initial heavy element abundance  $Z_0$**

Convection parameter  $\alpha$

Three calibrated values instead of two:

Radius  $R$

Luminosity  $L$

**Heavy element to hydrogen ratio  $Z/X$**

$Z/X$  for given mixture can be computed from abundances if  $\log_{10} (H) = 12$  is assumed.

**Problem:** individual abundances are altered differently by diffusion!

## Per-element treatment of diffusion

Diffusion rate depends on ion mass and charge. Different elements settle at different rates.

Modelling: 19 elements heavier than helium are included into calculations, the same elements included into OPAL opacity calculations

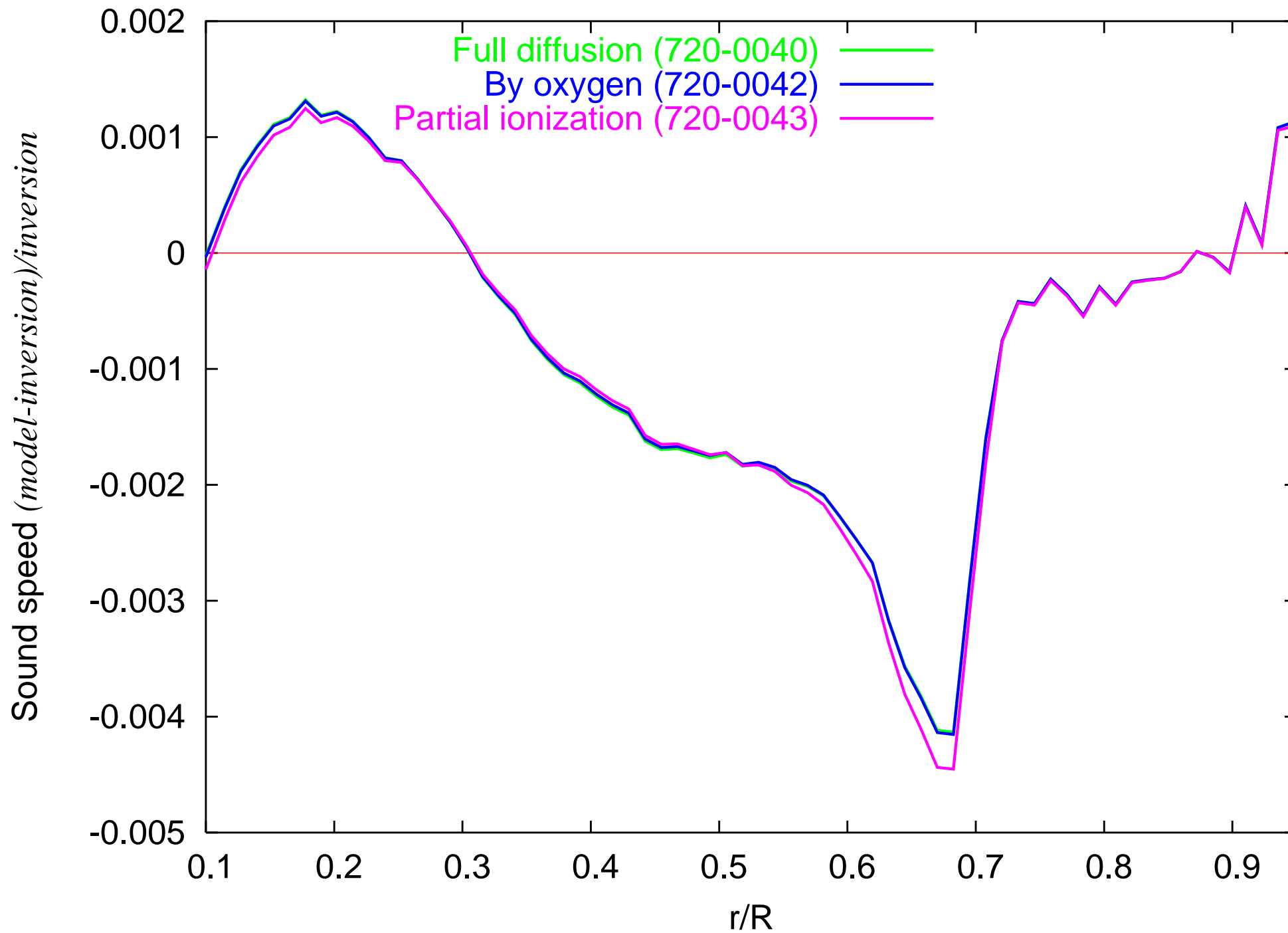
Three cases:

720-0040: full diffusion

720-0042: all diffusion rates by oxygen

720-0043: simulation of partial ionization (all ion charges of elements heavier than neon are halved)





# Opacity

OPAL opacity, interpolated by: T, rho, X and **19 elements heavier than helium**

$$\kappa = \kappa (T, \rho, X, Z_i[19])$$

Tables for arbitrary composition are provided by Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and can be generated at <http://adg.llnl.gov/Research/OPAL/new.html>

For every T, rho, X the following values are calculated and stored:

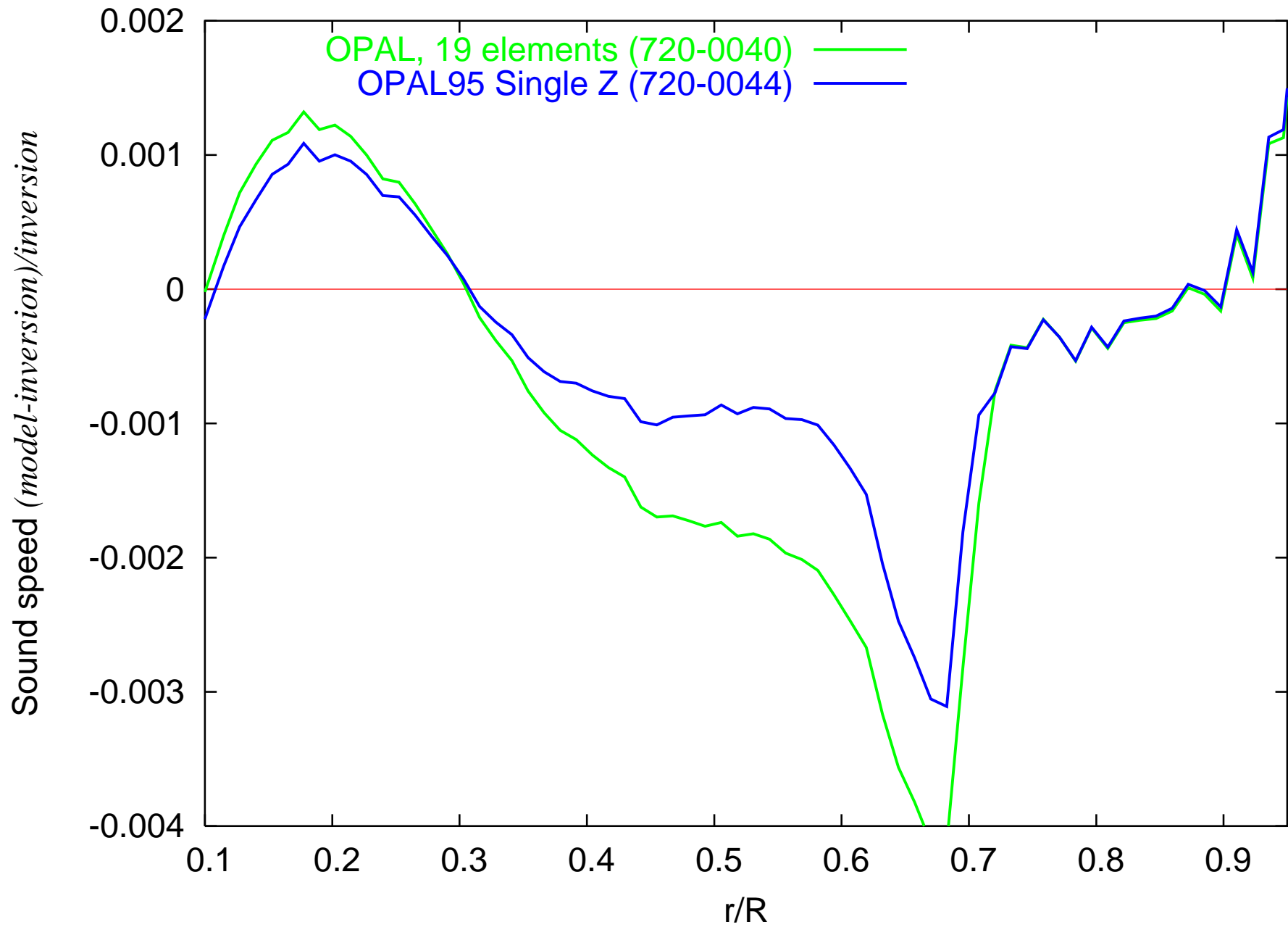
- \* opacity for Z=0.01
- \* 18 opacity derivatives by every element while keeping total Z=0.01
- \* opacity for Z=0.02
- \* 18 opacity derivatives by every element while keeping total Z=0.02

Opacity for any Z in any mixture (GN93, GS98, AGS05) can be obtained.

Supplemented by Ferguson, Alexander et al. 2005 low-temperature opacity, fixed mixture GN93.

Total memory used for tables: about 30MBytes

# Opacity: switch to 19 elements, sound speed in models



## Equation of state (EOS)

Two EOS are used in our calculations

1) OPAL96 (F.J.Rogers, F.J.Swenson, C.A.Iglesias, ApJ **456** (1996) 902), fixed mixture (C, N, O, Ne)

$$P = P(T, \rho, X, Z)$$

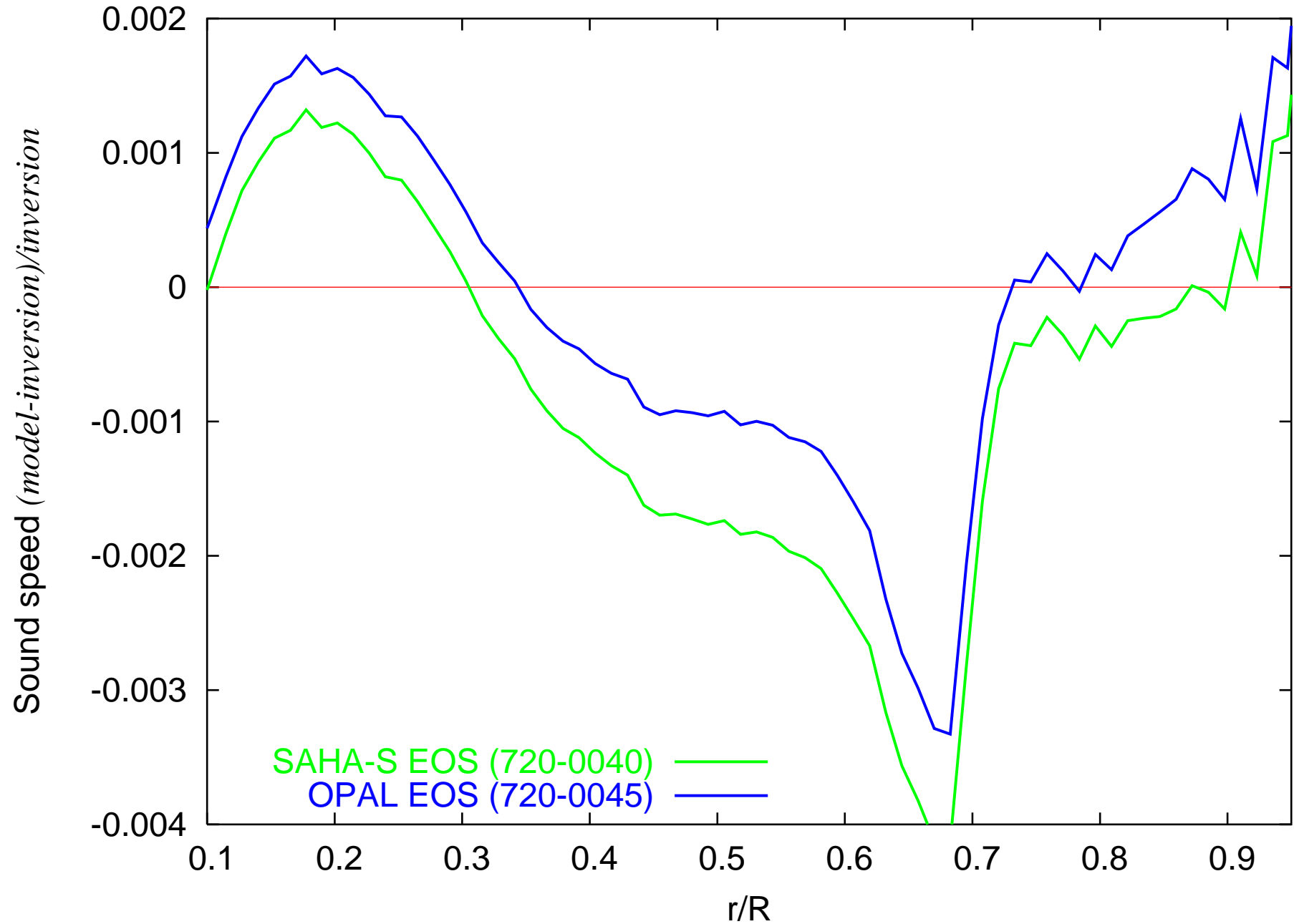
2) SAHA-S (V.K.Gryaznov et al., J. Phys. A: Math. Gen. **39** (2006) 4459), abundances from Allen «Astrophysical Quantities» 2000 (almost AG89), six elements included, three-variable mixture

$$P = P(T, \rho, X, Z(\text{CNO}), Z(\text{Ne}), Z(\text{FeSi}))$$

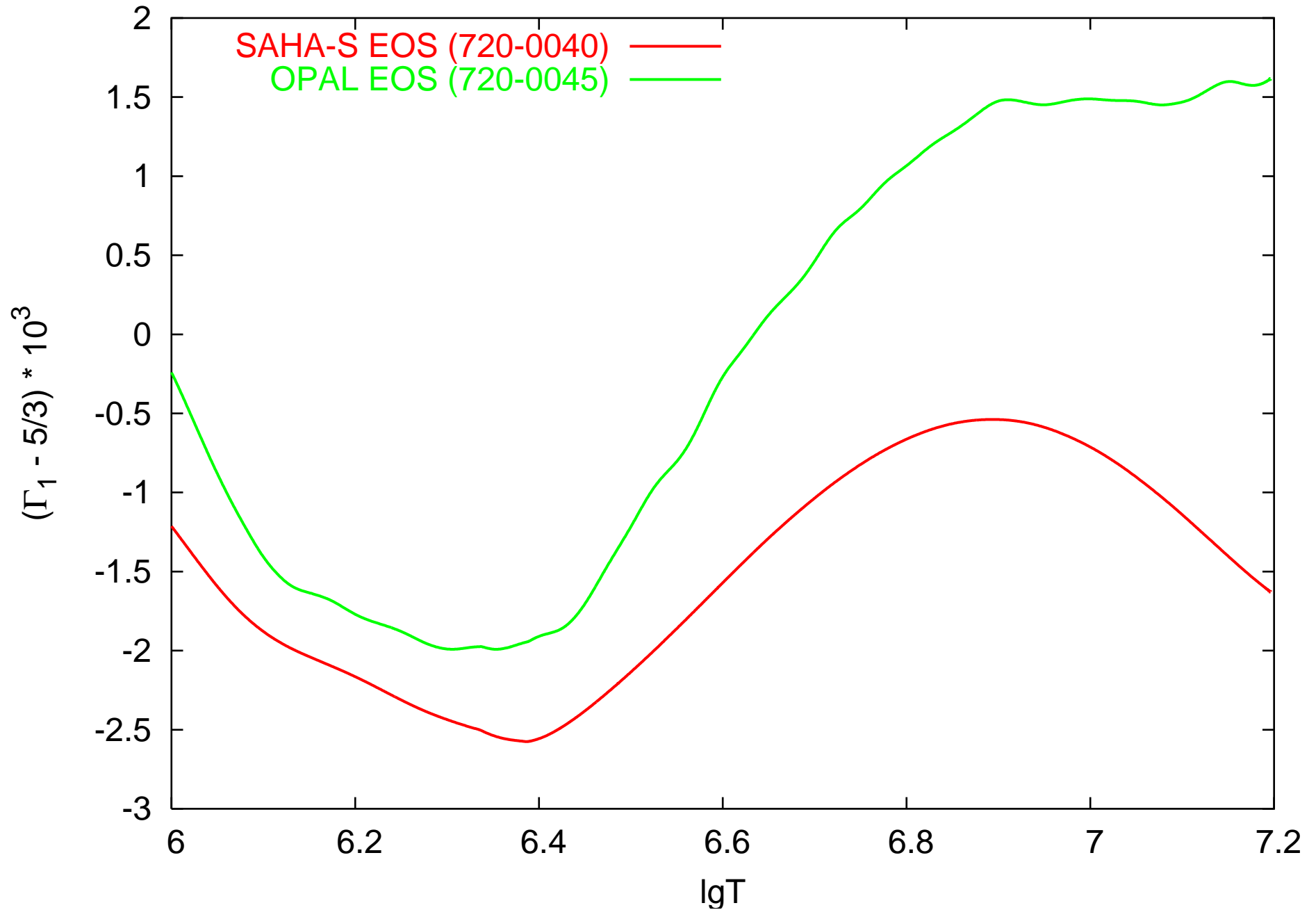
tables allow to interpolate for arbitrary X, Z(CNO), Z(Ne), Z(FeSi)

See detailed thermodynamic comparison between OPAL96 and SAHA-S in Leiden proceedings (S.V.Ayukov, V.A.Baturin et al., AIP Conference Proceedings v. 731, 2004, «Equation-of-State and Phase-Transition Issues in Models of Ordinary Astrophysical Matter», pp. 178-187).

# Equation of state: OPAL and SAHA-S, sound speed in models



# Equation of state: OPAL and SAHA-S, $\Gamma_1$ in models



# Overshooting

Convective overshooting: **temperature gradient** deviations and **element mixing**

Temperature gradient, four cases:

regime=0. Standard case (no overshooting)

regime=1. V. Baturin, I. Mironova (poster)

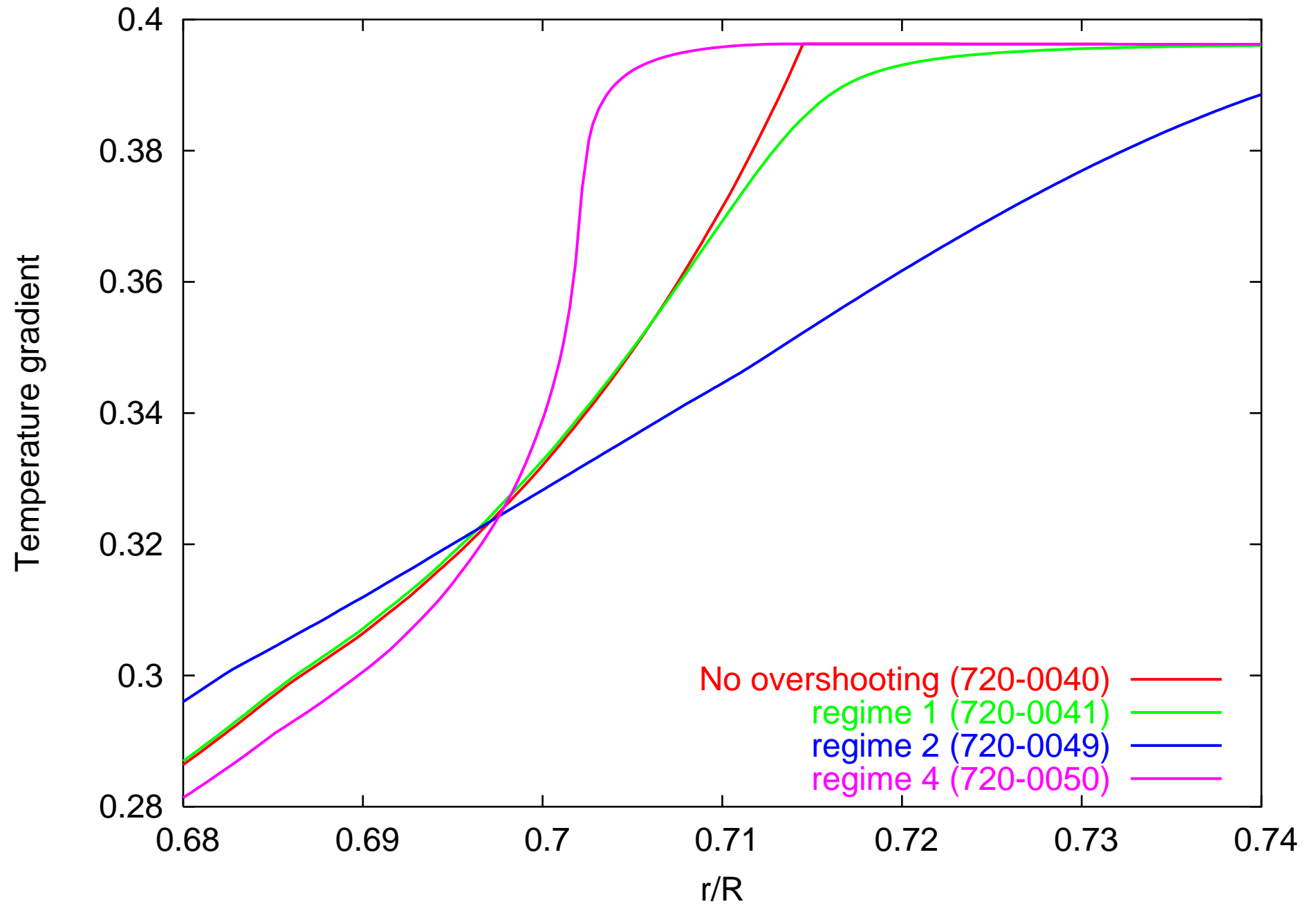
regime=2. V. Baturin, I. Mironova (poster)

regime=4. like Shaviv G., Salpeter E.E., ApJ, 1973, **184**, p.191

regimes 1-4 are simple numeric approximations, not exact theory

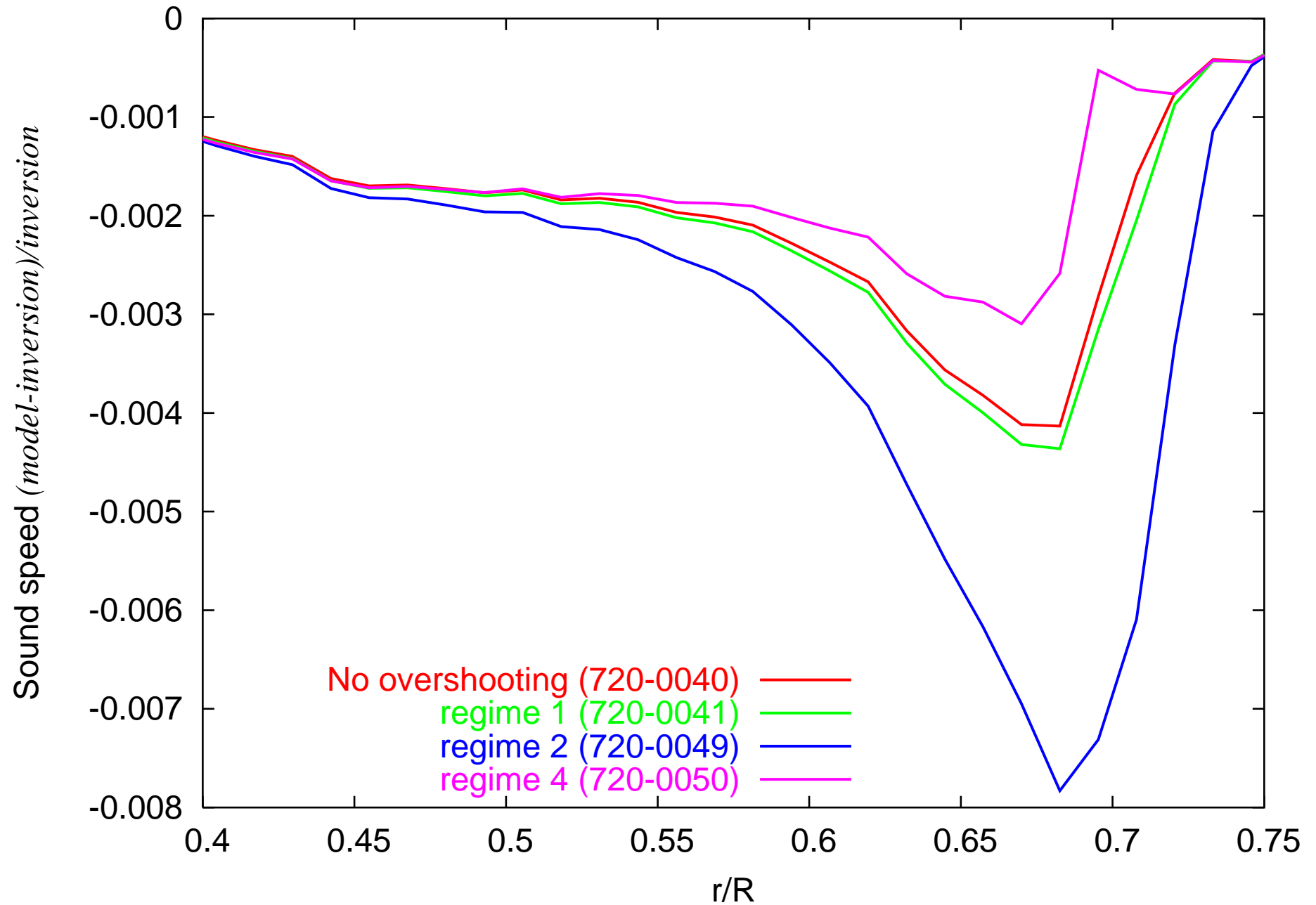
Also see poster by V. A. Baturin, I. V. Mironova.

# Various overshooting regimes, temperature gradient in models

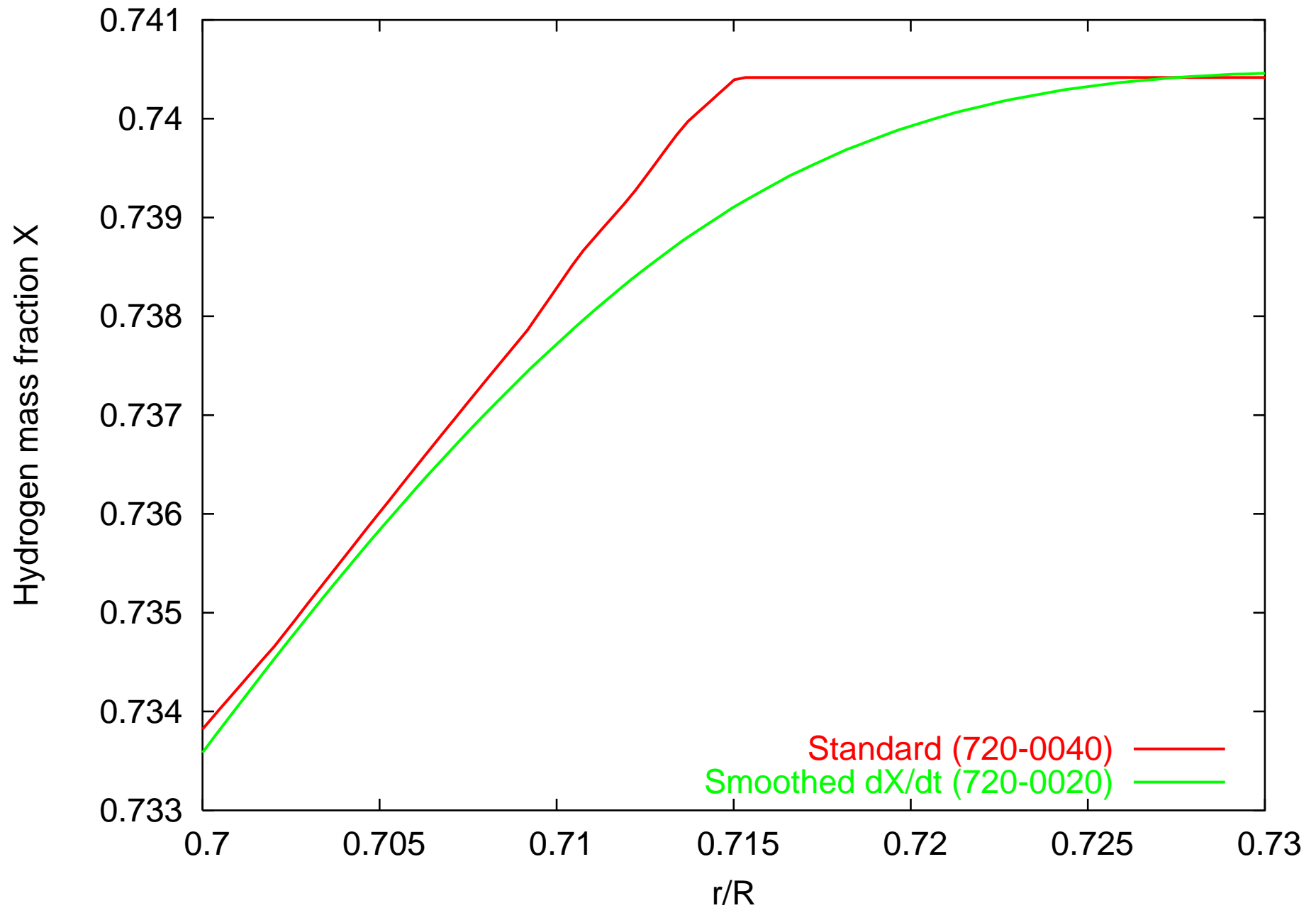




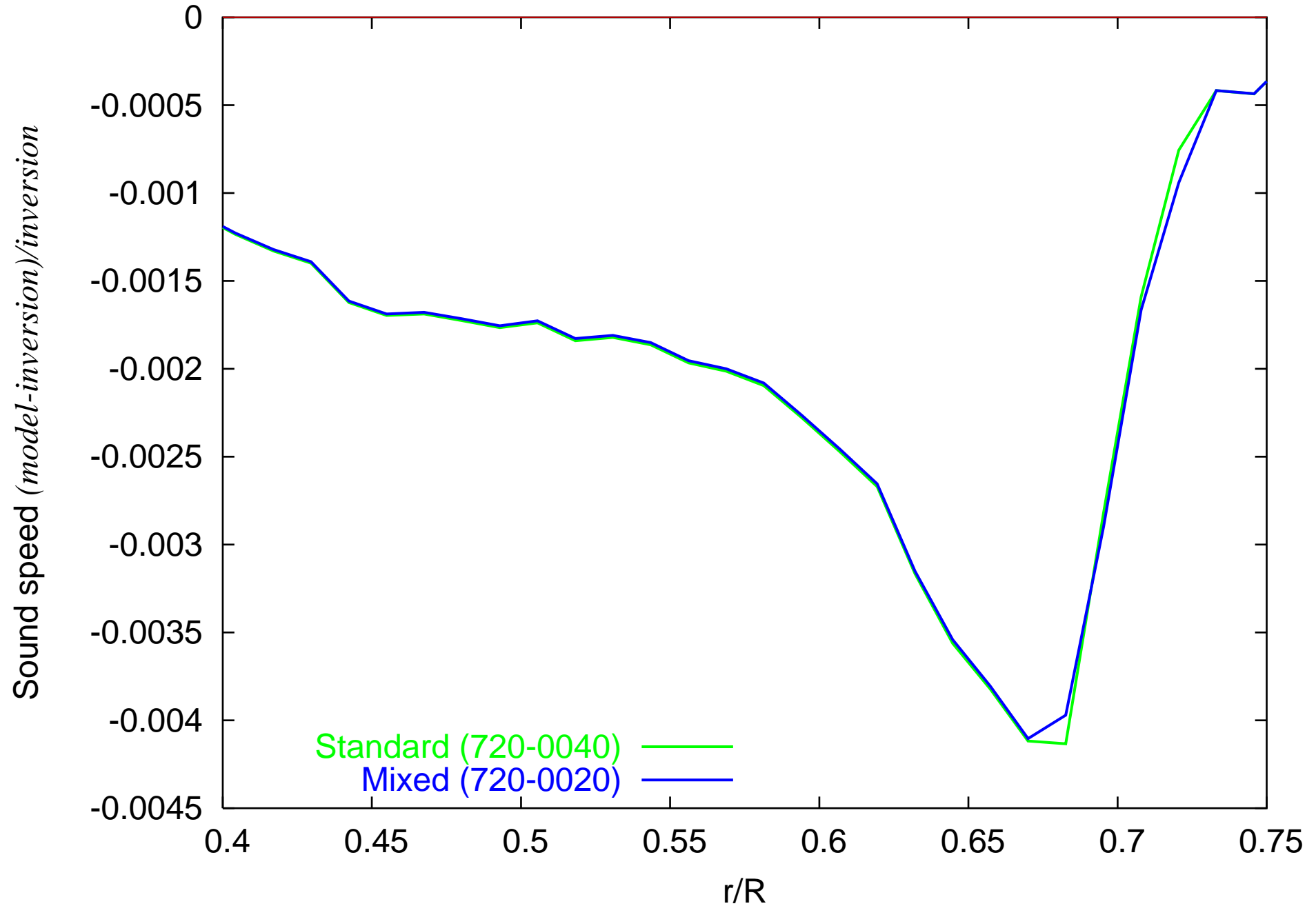
# Various overshooting regimes, sound speed in models



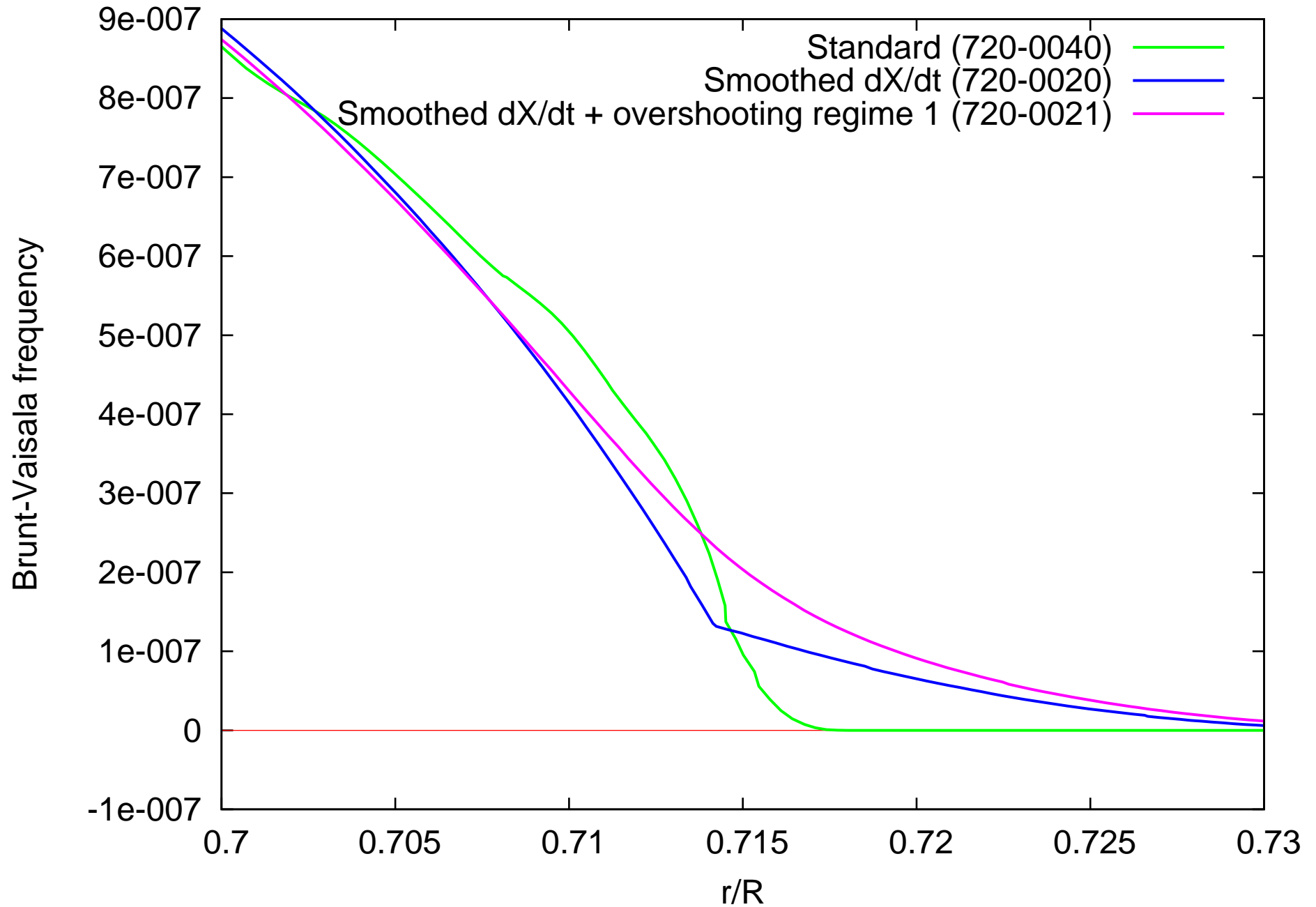
# Element mixing approximation: smoothing $dX/dt$ over CZ boundary



# Element mixing approximation, sound speed in models



# Element mixing approximation, $N^2$ in models



## Neon riddle

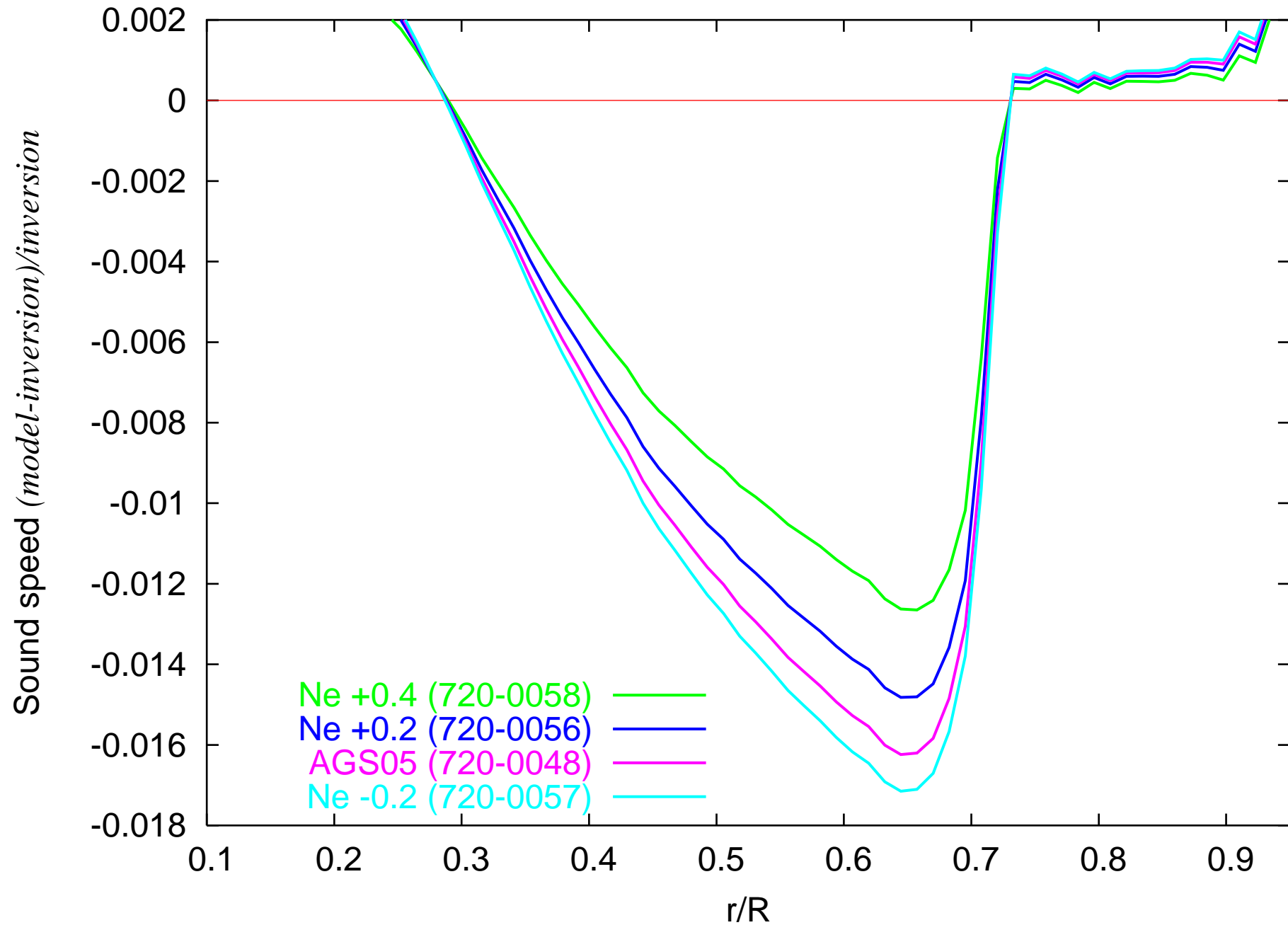
Ne and Ar abundances are indirect determinations (=perhaps poorly known)

Ne abundance

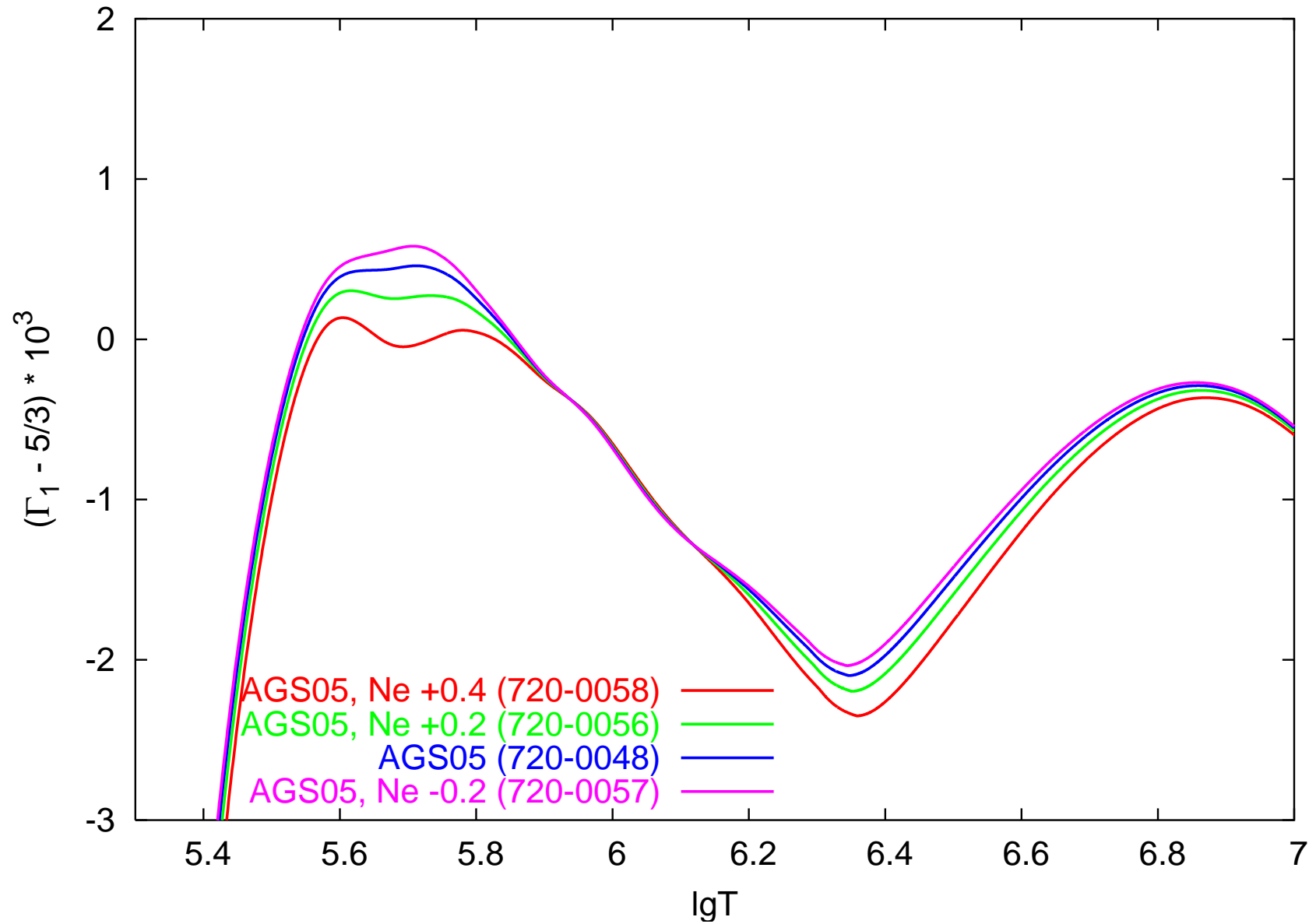
AG89 .....	8.09
GN93 .....	8.07
GS98 .....	8.08
AGS05 .....	7.84
720-0057 .....	7.64
720-0048 (AGS05) .....	7.84
720-0056 .....	8.04
720-0058 .....	8.24

J.N.Bahcall, S.Basu, A.M.Serenelli (ApJ 2005, **631**, 1281) suggested 8.29 to solve low-Z problem

# Ne abundance in AGS05: sound speed in models

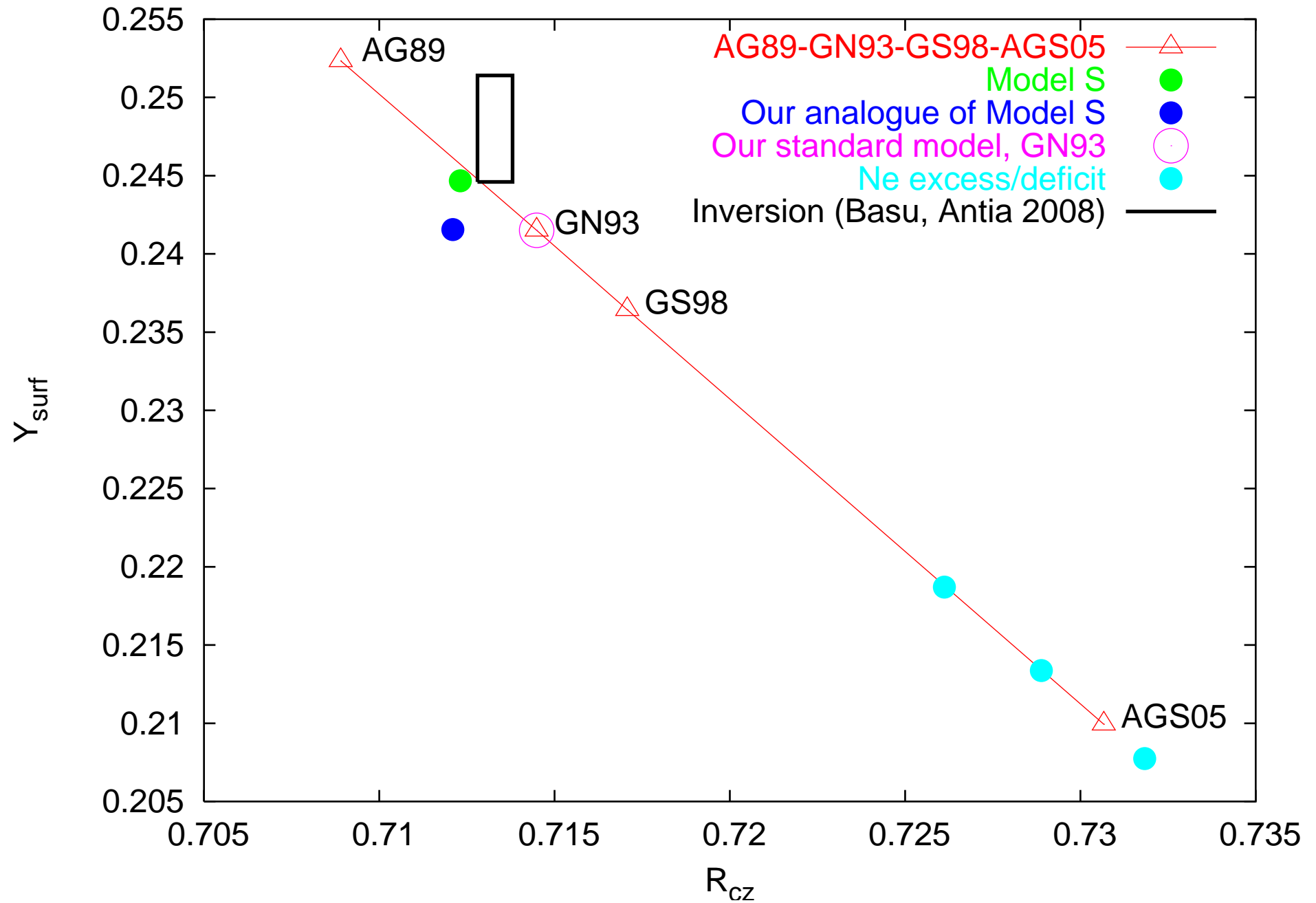


## Ne abundance in AGS05: $\Gamma_1$ in models



Can neon abundance be calibrated with proper inversion data?

# Helium-Convection zone depth roadmap (instead of conclusion)





**The end**