











## Modeling chemical enrichment

- One zone, accreting box model.
  - Start with pure H, He mix.
  - Further H, He falls in at specified rate.
- Follow evolution of individual elements H, He, C, N, O, Ne, Mg, Si, S, Ar, Ca and Fe.
- Subdivide stellar population into three classes of stars:
  - <  $1M_{\odot}$  nothing recycled
  - $1.0 8.0 M_{\odot}$  fraction give white dwarf supernovae
  - $> 8M_{\odot}$  Core collapse supernovae.
- Assume that each class of stars spews specified % of its mass of each element back into ISM at end of a specified lifetime.
- Must provide IMF to specify mix of star masses.
- Two extreme models:
  - "Solar neighborhood": conventional IMF, slow stellar birthrate, slow infall (15% gas at 10 Gyr).
  - "Giant Elliptical": flatter IMF, 100x higher birthrate, fast infall (15% gas at 0.5 Gyr).





