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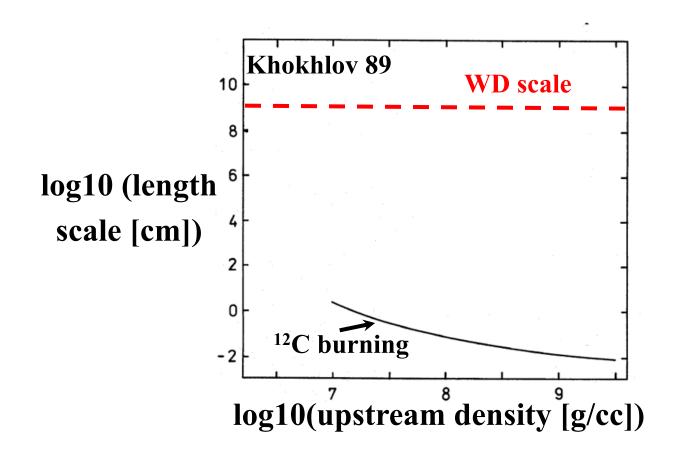
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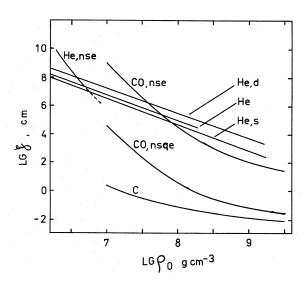
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- 3. Then, there is a second wonder: "Ahh, that is what the answer looks like" (the evidence)

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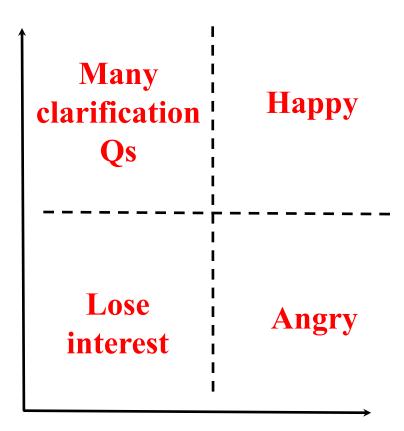
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You are responsible for guiding the audience through your fascinating research.

Audience responds differently to different speakers

Speaker's knowledge



Quality of presentation

Questions: Listen to the question, repeat to see if you got it, and answer its content but not its tone.