FROM UNIVERSE

TO PLANETS LECTURE 2

REVIEW: PROTOSTARS FORM IN COLD DARK DUSTY POCKETS

Orion GMC

Taurus

Av maps YSOs

Ophiuchus

S. T. Megeath Perseus



Spitzer 4.5, 5.8, +24 μ m image of Northern Orion A

Megeath et al. (2006)

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Orion B / NGC2068 with MIPS, Herschel, and APEX Orion B / NGC2068 with Spitzer IRAC & MIPS

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PROTOPLANETARY DISCS











TW Hydrae





HK Tauri

DISK SUBSTRUCTURES AT HIGH ANGULAR RESOLUTION PROJECT (DSHARP)













BASIC PROPERTIES (UNCERTAIN, BUT IMPROVING)

- Masses: ~ $10^{-3}-10^{-1} M_{\odot}$
- Radii: ~ 100 au
- Accretion rates: ~ 10⁻¹⁰–10⁻⁷ M_{\odot} / yr
- Lifetimes: ~ 1–15 Myr
- Relevant information for planet formation:
 - Structure rotation, density, temperature, and chemical composition.
 - Early evolution and disc lifetimes strength and nature of turbulence.
 - Dust dynamics radial drift, vertical settling (we'll discuss growth and fragmentation next time).



ACTIVE VS PASSIVE DISCS

- Active: most of their luminosity comes from the release of gravitational energy as material flows inwards.
- Passive: luminosity comes from reprocessed starlight.
- Critical Accretion rate can be estimated by assuming the disc is flat and intercepts 1/4 of the stellar flux (we will verify this later): $1 = \frac{GM}{M}$

$$\frac{1}{4}L_* = \frac{GM_*M}{2R_*}$$

Solving for \dot{M} we find: $\dot{M} \approx 3 \times 10^{-8} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$

Accretion rates are higher for younger objects, so young disks are generally active, while older object are dominated by reprocessed radiation (passive).

PASSIVE DISCS: VERTICAL STRUCTURE

Consider hydrostatic equilibrium with pressure gradient:

 $\frac{d}{d_{1}} = -g_{z}$ $M_{*} = \frac{d}{\rho} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dz} = -g_{z}$ For $M_{\text{disc}} \ll M_*$ and $z \ll R$: $g_z = \frac{GM_*}{d^2} \sin \theta \approx \Omega_{\text{K}}^2 z$

• Where Keplerian angular frequency: $\Omega_{\rm K} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{GM_*}{R^3}}$

- Equation of state for an isothermal disc: $P = \rho c_s^2$
- Equation of hydrostatic equilibrium: $\frac{1}{\rho}\frac{dP}{dz} = c_s^2 \frac{d \ln \rho}{dz} = -\Omega_K^2 z$ $\rightarrow \rho(z) = \rho_0 \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{z}{H} \right)^2 \right]$ where

$$H \equiv \Omega_{\rm K}/c_{\rm s}$$

PASSIVE DISCS: VERTICAL STRUCTURE

Often convenient to use vertically averaged quantities, such as surface density:

$$\Sigma = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho(z) \, dz = \sqrt{2} H \rho_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x} \, dx = \sqrt{2\pi} H \quad \longrightarrow \quad \rho_0 = \frac{\Sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi} H}$$

- The Minimum Mass Solar Nebula (MMSN) is a protoplanetary disk that contains the minimum amount of solids necessary to build the planets of the solar system.
 - An aspect ratio $h \equiv H/R \sim 0.05$ gives a mid-plane density (ρ_0) of about 10⁻⁹ g cm⁻³ at 1 au.

If we assume: $T \propto R^{-q}$ then $c_s \propto R^{-q/2}$ and $h \propto R^{-(q-1)/2}$

Flared discs will have a T power-law index q < 1

PASSIVE DISCS: RADIAL STRUCTURE

- In the radial direction a parcel of gas in the disc feels:
 - Gravity from the star (non self-gravitating case)

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 $\overline{F_{c}} + \overline{F_{P}}$

- Centrifugal force
 $\frac{v^2}{R} = \frac{GM_*}{R^2} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dR}$ Pressure force
- Pressure decreases with radius, so gas rotates slightly slower than solids at the same radius (sub-Keplerian).

$$\frac{v^2}{R} \approx \Omega_{\rm K}^2 R - \frac{c_{\rm s}^2}{R} = \Omega_{\rm K}^2 R \left(1 - \frac{c_{\rm s}^2}{R^2 \Omega_{\rm K}^2} \right) \quad \longrightarrow \quad v = v_{\rm K} \left[1 - \left(\frac{H}{R} \right)^2 \right]$$

• $H/R \ll v_{\rm K}$ so we say the disc is in Keplerian motion, but this difference is crucial for understanding dust dynamics.

PASSIVE DISCS: RADIAL TEMPERATURE PROFILE

- Simplest case is a flat thin disk in the equatorial plane.
- All stellar radiation is absorbed and re-emitted as a single temperature blackbody.
 - Perfect absorber/emitter, frequency spectrum depends only on *T*, emits radiation isotropically.

Star

R

Flat disc

- The star has a uniform intensity I_* .
- F_{inc} is the incident stellar flux on the upper surface at radius *R*: $\int d\Omega = \sin \theta \, d\theta \, d\phi \text{ (solid angle)}$

$$F_{\rm inc} = \int I_* \sin \theta \cos \phi \, d\Omega = I_* \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos \phi \, d\phi \int_0^{\sin^{-1}(R_*/R)} \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta$$

PASSIVE DISCS: RADIAL TEMPERATURE PROFILE

- Integrating: $F_{\text{inc}} = I_* \left[\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{R_*}{R} \right) - \frac{R_*}{R} \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{R_*}{R} \right)^2} \right]$
- Stefan-Boltzmann law relates the flux radiated from a black body in terms of its effective temperature: $F = \sigma T^4$
- Intensity (i.e. brightness): $I_* = \frac{1}{4\pi}\sigma T_*^4$
- One sided disc emission: $F_{\text{disc}} = \frac{1}{2}\sigma T_{\text{disc}}^4$
- Equating $F_{\text{inc}} = F_{\text{disc'}}$ we find a temperature profile: $\left(\frac{T_{\text{disc}}}{T_*}\right)^4 = \frac{1}{\pi} \left[\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{R_*}{R}\right) - \frac{R_*}{R}\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{R_*}{R}\right)^2} \right]$

PASSIVE DISCS: RADIAL TEMPERATURE PROFILE

- This isn't very clear...if we assume R_{*} « R and expand this in a Taylor series, we find q = 3/4, which is about the largest value one can expect.
- If the disk is flared (i.e. h increases with R), then the outer regions intercept more stellar flux leading to a higher temperature and a shallower exponent
- Integrating over all radii, we find the disc has 1/4 of the stellar luminosity (validating our earlier assumption):

$$L_{\rm disc} = 2 \int_{R_*}^{\infty} 2\pi R \sigma T_{\rm disc}^4 \, dR = \pi R_*^2 \sigma T_*^4 = \frac{1}{4} L_*$$

PASSIVE DISCS: SPECTRAL ENERGY DISTRIBUTION (SED)



log λ

PASSIVE DISCS: SED

- We break the disc into cylindrical rings and treat each ring as a black body radiator.
 - $F_{\lambda} \propto \int_{R_{\text{in}}}^{R_{\text{out}}} 2\pi R B_{\lambda}(T) dR$ where $B_{\lambda}(T) = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{hc/\lambda k_{\text{B}}T} 1}$

 R_{out}

At long wavelengths we have the Rayleigh-Jeans limit:

$$\lambda F_{\lambda} \propto \lambda^{-3}$$
 if $\lambda \gg hc/k_{\rm B}T(R_{\rm out})$

At short wavelengths we have an exponential cut-off:

$$\lambda F_{\lambda} \propto \lambda^{-4} \mathrm{e}^{-hc/\lambda k_{\mathrm{B}}T(R_{\mathrm{in}})}$$
 if $\lambda \ll hc/k_{\mathrm{B}}T(R_{\mathrm{in}})$

At intermediate wavelengths, the behaviour depends on the value of q. In our flat disc scenario (i.e. q = 3/4):

$$\lambda F_{\lambda} \propto \lambda^{-4/3}$$
 if $\frac{hc}{k_{\rm B}T(R_{\rm in})} \ll \lambda \ll \frac{hc}{k_{\rm B}T(R_{\rm out})}$

PASSIVE DISCS: SED

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COMPOSITION

- Many molecules form on grain surfaces (small grains dominate surface area). Provide reservoir for atoms/molecules, allowing them to easily react and form new, more complex molecules.
- Atoms and molecules adsorb (freeze-out) on their surfaces and form icy mantles. These mantles consist of a water-dominated layer (polar) and a water-poor layer (apolar).
- Molecules/atoms diffuse (move around) and react, forming more complex species. Energetic radiation impinging on grains further affect chemistry by breaking bonds or desorbing (released due to heat) molecules from the grain surfaces into the gas phase.
- Small grains are incorporated into comets and eventually may end up atmospheres of planets.

COMPOSITION

INCERSCELLAR GRAIN SURFACE CHEMISCRY



TW HYDRAE CASE STUDY

- Age: 8 Myr
- ▶ Mass: 0.8 *M*_☉
- Distance: 196 lyr
- Temperature: 4000 K

TW HYDRAE CASE STUDY

- Midplane ice reservoir inferred from gas depletions of CO (~100 \times) and H₂O (~800 \times), relative to the ISM value.
 - "Missing" volatiles possibly locked in large icy particles.
 Cannot reach surface layers for ice to be photodesorbed.
- Measure CO/H₂ ratio at different radii with ALMA and assume all gas phase C is in CO → estimate gas C/H ratio. NIR atomic carbon emission lines → C/H ratio in dust-free inner disc.
 - Compare C/H ratios to get C mass locked in disc solids.
- Any terrestrial planets forming in TW Hya from the remaining solids will be relatively "dry" and carbon poor, similar to those in our solar system.

TW HYDRAE CASE STUDY



McClure & Dominik (2019).

STRUCTURE AND COMPOSITION

photon-dominated rich molecule chemistry dust-gas interaction

Ice

150[']0 K

UV/X-ray radiation

accretion

complex molecules radicals and ions

EVOLUTION AND LIFETIME

dust

settling

turbulent transport

150 K snow line

giant planet formation

grain growth

UV/X-ray radiation

accretion

FROM UNIVERSE

TO PLANETS LECTURE 2.2: DISC EVOLUTION/LIFETIME

STAGES OF EVOLUTION



SED peaks in the FIR or mm (no NIR flux)

- Flat or rising SED into MIR $\alpha_{IR} > 0$
- Falling SED into MIR $-1.5 < \alpha_{IR} < 0$
- Little or no excess in the IR

STAGES OF EVOLUTION

- Class 0 sources are the youngest stage, here the protostar rapidly accretes the bulk of its mass (main accretion phase) and is surrounded by a massive envelope and a disc.
- Class I sources are slowly accreting the rest of the final stellar mass (late accretion phase). The young stellar object (YSO) is still surrounded by a remnant envelope and massive disc.
- Class II sources no longer have an envelope, but still have an accretion disc producing the observed excess infrared emission. Most T Tauri stars (classical & some weak-line) belong to this class.
- At the Class III stage finally, the star is basically free from circumstellar material, evolving towards the main sequence. Most weak-line, but no classical T Tauri stars.



How does all of this mass make it onto the star?



ACCRETION SIGNATURES

Model Inspector

ACCRETION SIGNATURES

- Excess emission (veiling) over photosphere is strong evidence for accretion: $L_{acc} = GM\dot{M}/R$
- Class II (T Tauri) stars have excess continuum emission arising from the accretion shock on the star, and emission lines from both the magnetosphere and the shock region.





ACCRETION SIGNATURES

- Broad Emission lines ($\Delta v \sim 250 \text{ km/s}$) from fast moving accretion flows show up as redshifted absorption
- Can only be seen at certain disc inclinations.







ANGULAR MOMENTUM

- Accretion requires angular momentum to be lost or redistributed in the disc.
- Specific angular momentum is approximately that of a Keplerian orbit: $l = R^2 \Omega_K = \sqrt{GM_*R}$.
 - Increasing function of radius.
- Two possibilities:
 - Viscous dissipation: predominant theory, but still not clear as to what causes the viscosity (friction).
 - Removed via outflows from the star-disc system.

- Within any shearing fluid, momentum is transported in the cross-stream direction because the random motion of molecules leads to collisions between particles that have different velocities.
- Assume a vertically thin axisymmetric sheet of viscous fluid to obtain a simple equation for the time evolution of the disk surface density Σ(R, t).
- Large caveat: the molecular viscosity of the gas is much too small to lead to any significant dissipation.
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From the continuity equation (mass conservation) in cylindrical coordinates: $\partial \Sigma = \partial \Delta$

$$R\frac{\partial\Sigma}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial R}\left(R\Sigma v_R\right) = 0$$

From angular momentum conservation:

$$R\frac{\partial \left(\Sigma R^2 \Omega_{\rm K}\right)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(R\Sigma v_R \cdot R^2 \Omega_{\rm K}\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\partial \mathcal{T}}{\partial R}$$

The right-hand side represents the net torque acting on the gas due to viscous stresses, where

kinematic viscosity

$$\mathcal{T} = 2\pi R \cdot \nu \Sigma R \frac{\partial \Omega_{K}}{\partial R} \cdot R$$

circumference

Eliminating v_R by expanding the derivatives and substituion gives us a diffusion equation:

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} = \frac{3}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left[\sqrt{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(\nu \Sigma \sqrt{R} \right) \right]$$

Which is more obvious if we v is constant (not actually true) and perform a change of variables:

$$X \equiv 2\sqrt{R} \qquad \qquad f \equiv \frac{3}{2}\Sigma X$$

Giving us the diffusion equation and diffusion coefficient:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial X^2} \qquad \qquad D = \frac{12\nu}{X^2}$$

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• The timescale to diffuse across a length scale ΔX is:



- Molecular viscosity alone yields timescales ~ 10¹³ yrs, longer than the age of the Universe! Instead, we think there is an underlying turbulence that "acts" like an effective viscosity.
- To avoid specifying the source of the turbulence, we often parameterise the viscosity as: $\nu = \alpha c_s H$
 - The largest eddy $\leq H$
 - > Turbulent velocity $\leq c_{\rm s}$ (otherwise a shock would form)
- Describes the leading order scaling expected in disks (so that the dimensionless Shakura-Sunyaev α-parameter varies more slowly with temperature, radius, etc. than ν)

- The condition for linear hydrodynamical stability (Rayleigh criterion) is that angular momentum increases outwards, i.e.: $\frac{d}{dR} \left(R^2 \Omega \right) > 0$
- This is always true in Keplerian discs where $R^2\Omega_{\rm K}\propto\sqrt{R}$.
- A magneto-hydrodynamical (MHD) flow requires a further stability condition, i.e. the angular velocity itself must increase with radius: $\frac{d}{dR} \left(\Omega^2 \right) > 0$
- Not true for Keplerian discs where $\Omega_{\rm K} \propto R^{-3/2}$.

In ideal MHD, the fluid acts like a perfect conductor and field lines are frozen into the fluid (zero diffusion of magnetic field lines). In this case, even weak magnetic fields will generate a Magnetorotational Instability (MRI).



$$\beta = \frac{\text{(plasma pressure)}}{\text{magnetic pressure}}$$

$$=\frac{nk_{\rm B}T}{B^2/2\mu_0}$$

- Non-ideal MHD, the disc needs to be sufficiently ionised to overcome the effects of resistivity, which otherwise allows the field lines to diffuse back through the fluid.
- Two processes can ionise the gas in a disc:
- Thermal (collisional) ionisation: requires
 T ≥ 1000 K, only occurs
 in inner 1 au of disc.
- Non-thermal (photo-) ionisation by UV, X-rays, and/or cosmic rays.



- For typical conditions, the MRI is likely damped between 0.1–10 au (dead zones).
- Important implications for dust dynamics, planetesimal formation, planet migration, and episodic accretion.













DISC LIFETIMES







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FROM UNIVERSE TO PLANETS



DUST: SIZES AND MASSES



DUST: DRAG LAWS

• Epstein regime: if particle size \leq mean free path





Stokes regime: if particle size \gtrsim mean free path

$$F_{\rm Stokes} = -\frac{C_{\rm D}}{2}\pi a^2 \rho_{\rm grain} v \mathbf{v}$$

C_D depends on the particle
 Reynolds number (the ratio of inertial forces to viscous forces).



DUST: DRAG LAWS

Estimate the timescale for deceleration

$$t_{\rm stop} = \frac{v}{\dot{v}} = \frac{mv}{|F_{\rm drag}|}$$

For Epstein drag:



• Dividing by the orbital timescale, gives us the Stokes number: $\frac{t_{stop}}{t_{orb}} = t_{stop}\Omega_{K} \equiv St$


Force equation: drag, gravity, and pressure forces:



The drag coefficient is is related to the Stokes number by:

$$A = \frac{v_{\rm th}}{\rho_{\rm grain} a} \longrightarrow \qquad \text{St} = \frac{\Omega_{\rm K}}{A \rho_{\rm g}}$$

 ∂t

Split into components & linearise using: $\mathbf{u}_{d} = \mathbf{v}_{d} - \mathbf{v}_{d}$ $R\Omega_{\rm K}$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u_{\rm d}^R}{\partial t} &= -A\rho_{\rm g}(u_{\rm d}^R - u_{\rm g}^R) + 2\Omega_{\rm K}u_{\rm d}^\phi\\ \frac{\partial u_{\rm d}^\phi}{\partial t} &= -A\rho_{\rm g}(u_{\rm d}^\phi - u_{\rm g}^\phi) - \frac{1}{2}\Omega_{\rm K}u_{\rm d}^R\\ \frac{\partial u_{\rm g}^R}{\partial t} &= +A\rho_{\rm d}(u_{\rm d}^R - u_{\rm g}^R) + 2\Omega_{\rm K}u_{\rm g}^\phi - \frac{1}{\rho_{\rm g}}\frac{\partial P}{\partial R}\\ \frac{\partial u_{\rm g}^\phi}{\partial t} &= +A\rho_{\rm g}(u_{\rm d}^\phi - u_{\rm g}^\phi) - \frac{1}{2}\Omega_{\rm K}u_{\rm g}^R \end{aligned}$$

Solve for the stationary velocities (i.e time derivative = 0):

 $\frac{\partial u_d^R}{\partial t} = -A\rho_g(u_d^R) - (u_g^R) + 2\Omega_K u_d^\phi$ $-A\rho_{g}(u_{d}^{\phi}-u_{g}^{\phi})-\frac{1}{2}\Omega_{K}u_{d}^{R}$ ∂u_{1}^{ϕ} ∂t $= +A\rho_{\rm d}(u_{\rm d}^{R} - u_{\rm g}^{R}) + 2\Omega_{\rm K}u_{\rm g}^{\phi} - \frac{1}{\rho_{\rm g}}\frac{\partial P}{\partial R}$ ∂u_g^R /*dt* $\frac{\partial u_g^{\phi}}{\partial t} = +A\rho_g(u_d^{\phi} - u_g^{\phi}) - \frac{1}{2}\Omega_K u_g^R$

Using the substitutions:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\rho_{\rm d}}{\rho_{\rm g}} \qquad \eta = -\frac{1}{2\rho_{\rm g}R\Omega_{\rm K}^2}\frac{dP}{dR} = -\frac{c_{\rm s}^2}{2v_{\rm K}^2}\frac{d\ln P}{d\ln R}$$

We can finally solve for radial dust velocity:

$$u_{\rm d}^{R} = -\frac{2\eta v_{\rm K}}{\mathrm{St} + \mathrm{St}^{-1}(1+\varepsilon)^{2}}$$

- Because the gas pressure decreases radially, the pressure force supports the gas disc and it rotates sub-Keplerian.
- Keplerian dust feels a headwind and exchanges momentum with the gas (i.e. dust slows down and gas speeds up).

For small dust-to-gas ratios, we can define some limits:

For St
$$\ll 1$$
: $u_d^R = -2\eta v_K St$

For St
$$\gg 1$$
: $u_d^R = -\frac{2\eta v_K}{St}$

- Maximum velocity: $u_d^R = -\eta v_K$ $(\leq 60 \text{ m/s})$ (when St = St⁻¹ = 1)
- Velocity decreases as we move away from St = 1!
- Large grains can "pile-up" in and/or accumulate in pressure maximum.

Radial Migration SINGLE-PHASE MULTI-PHASE



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Radial Migration SINGLE-PHASE MULTI-PHASE



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Radial Migration



Radial Migration



DUST: VERTICAL SETTLING

Now let's consider the vertical component on its own. To simplify things, we'll ignore the back-reaction of the dust onto the gas:

$$\frac{\partial u_{\rm d}^z}{\partial t} = -A\rho_{\rm g}(u_{\rm d}^z - u_{\rm g}^z) + z\Omega_{\rm K}^2$$

Which is the equation for adamped harmonic oscillator. The steady state terminal velocity has a simple relation:

$$u_{\rm d}^z = -z \,\Omega_{\rm K} {\rm St} = -z \,t_{\rm stop}$$

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• Importantly, t_{stop} depends on ρ_g which increases towards the disc mid-plane. Small grains slowly settle to the midplane. Large grains (if lofted up), will oscillate about the disc mid-plane.

DUST SETTLING IN PROTOPLANETARY DISCS







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DUST SETTLING IN PROTOPLANETARY DISCS





DUST: VERTICAL SETTLING

In a turbulent disc, turbulent eddies will kick-up dust vertically. Eventually, dust will reach a steady state defined by the following diffusion equation:

$$\frac{\partial \rho_{\rm d}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\rho_{\rm d} v_{\rm d} - \rho_{\rm g} D_{\rm d} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\rho_{\rm d}}{\rho_{\rm g}} \right) \right] = 0$$

• Where the diffusion coefficient is defined as: $D_{\rm d} \approx \frac{\alpha c_{\rm s} H}{\rm Sc}$ (Sc ~ 1 + St is the Schmidt Number)

MAIN POINTS

- Discs are thin, but flared due to incident stellar radiation.
 - Inner disc and disc surfaces are hot (usually ionised). Mid-plane is cold and molecules condense out of the gas onto dust grains.
- Evolutionary stages can be distinguished by their SED.
- Discs redistribute angular moment through viscous dissipation, thereby allowing them to accrete.
 - Source of turbulence is still not clear, but likely is related to magnetic fields.
- Gas is pressure supported and rotates at sub-Keplerian velocities.
 - Dust experiences a headwind and drifts radially inwards (important for planet formation)
- Dust settles vertically, increasing the concentration of dust at the midplane where planets form.