



Spark Project

Dust Diffusion in Protostellar Disks and its Effect on Planet Formation

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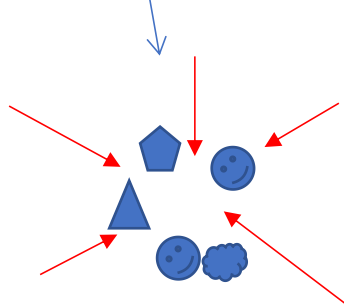
PART 1:
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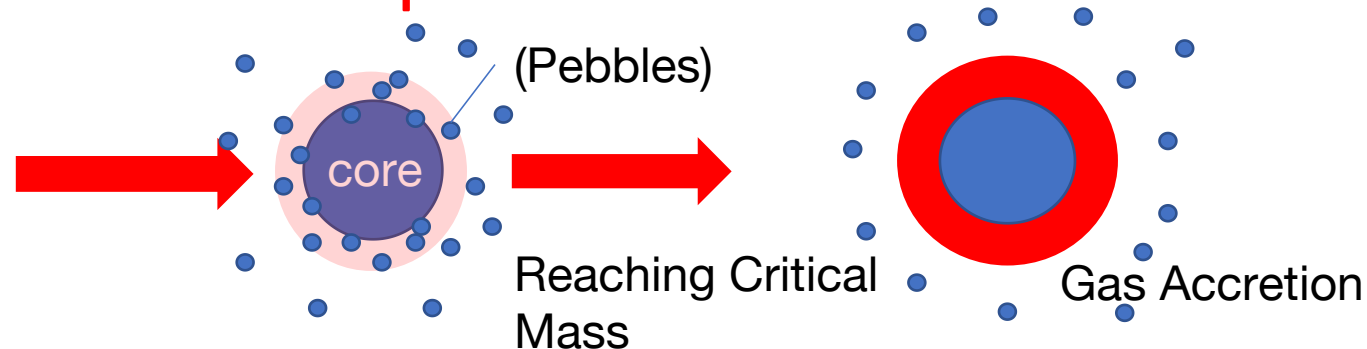


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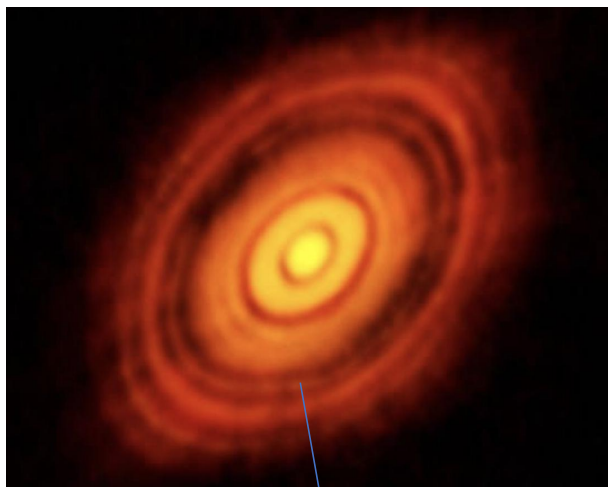
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- Gas Giant (巨行星)
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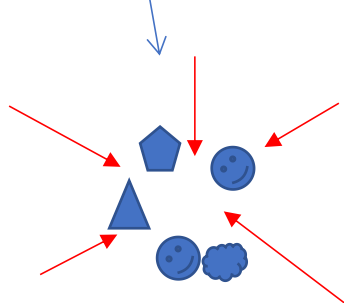


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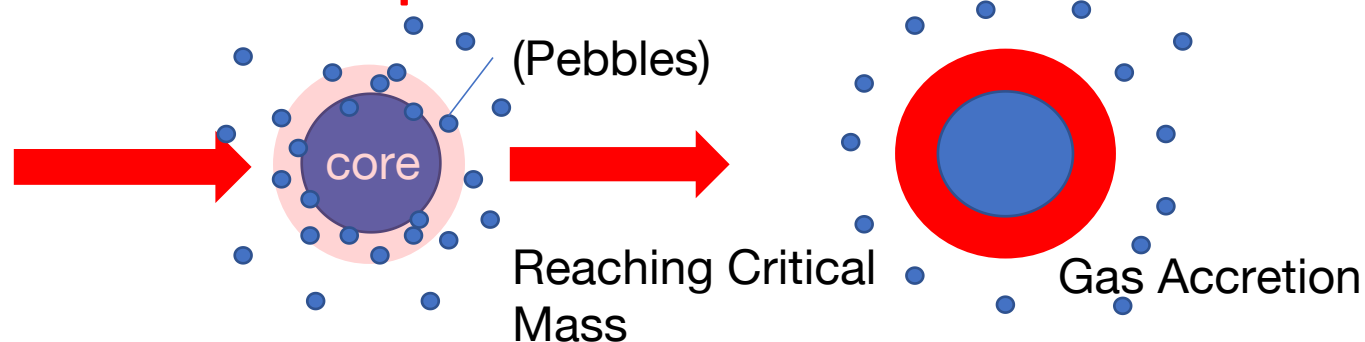
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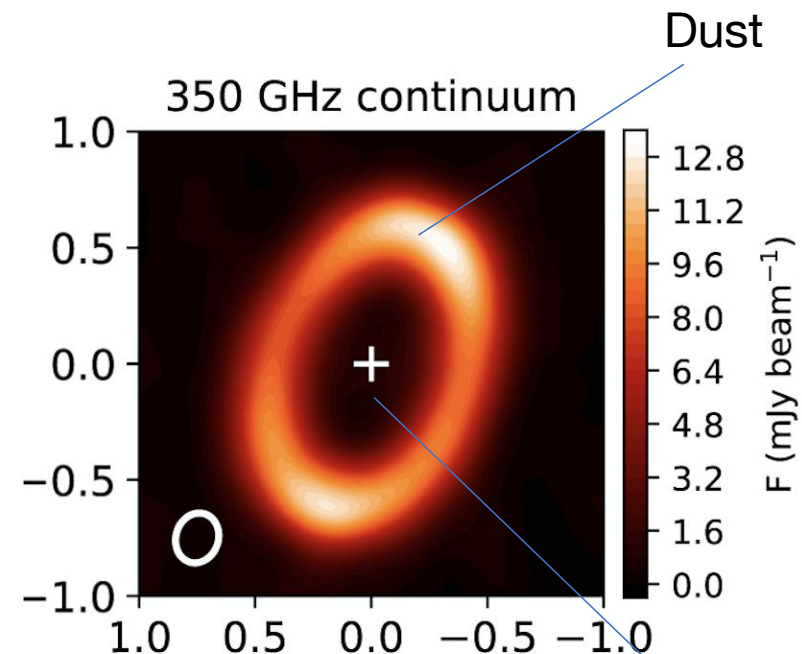
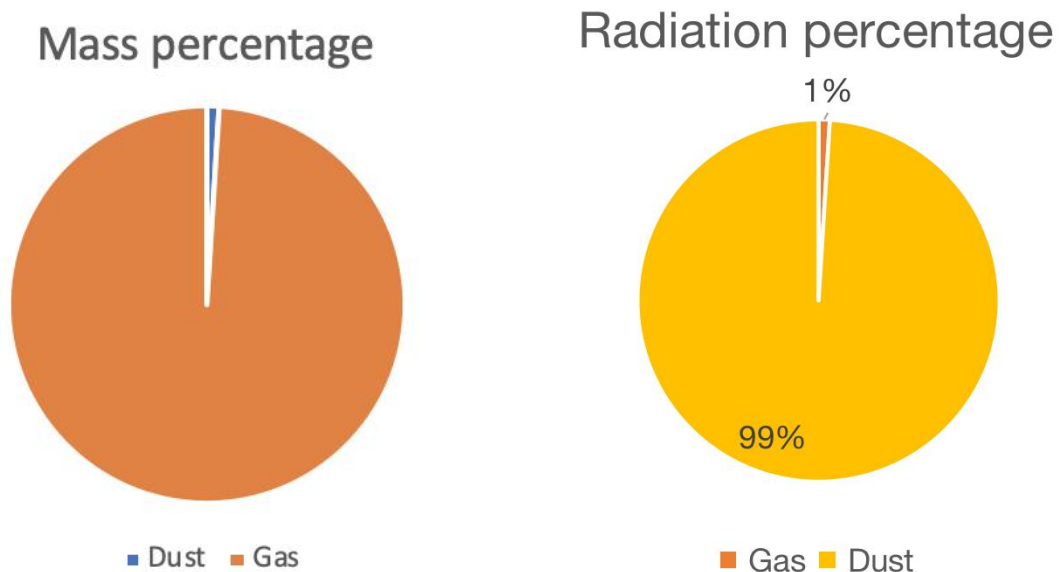
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Pebble Isolation Observed

Transition Disks



Muley et al 2019

No Dust??

Dust Profile “Emptied”:

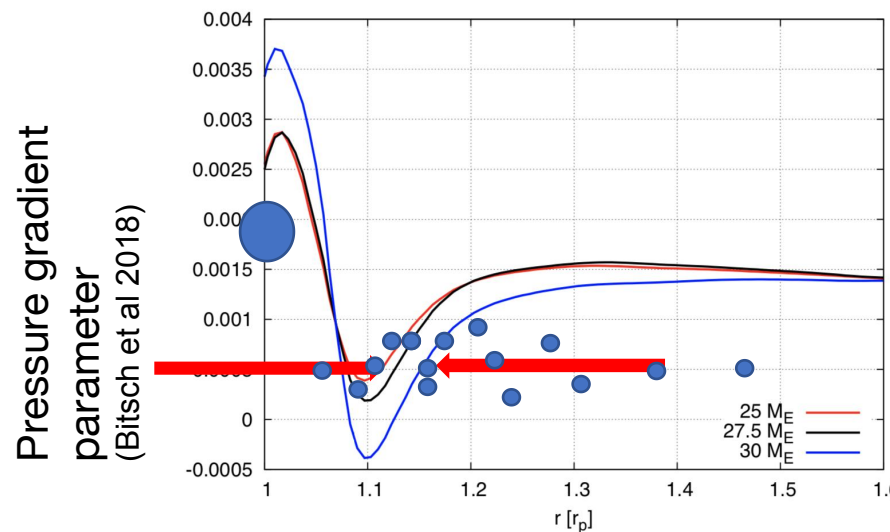
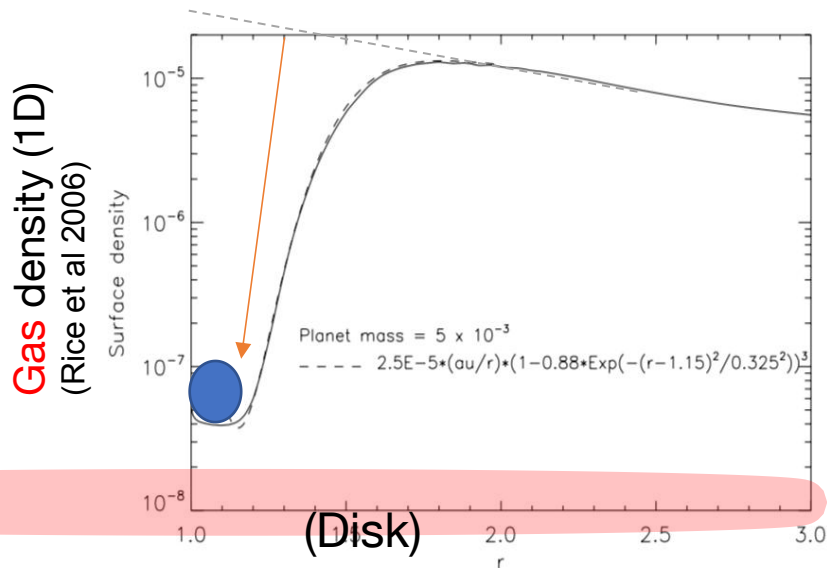
Some of them appears to be entirely devoid of circumstellar material within a certain radius of the star, arguably due to **planet formation**.

Pebble Isolation: General Picture

Gap Opening in Gas (Rice et al 2006, Bitsch et al 2018)

Momentum Eqn of Gas:
$$\frac{v_\phi^2}{r} = \frac{V_K^2}{r} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dr}$$

The gas velocity is not strictly Keplerian!



$$\eta = -\frac{h^2 \Omega_k r \ln \rho}{2 \ln r}$$

$$\propto -\frac{\ln P}{\ln r}$$

if adiabatic

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d \ln \rho}{d \ln r} < 0, \eta > 0, v_\phi < v_K \\ \frac{d \ln \rho}{d \ln r} > 0, \eta < 0, v_\phi > v_K \end{cases}$$

→
Acting through
drag force

Drags down the velocity of dust, which loses angular momentum and spirals **inwards**

Speeds up dust, which is expelled **outwards**
TOWARDS THE MAXIMA!

Quantify: Contaminant Diffusion (Clarke & Pringle 1988)

Diffusion (扩散) Equation

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} + \text{div}(\Sigma \mathbf{u}) &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial t} + \text{div}(\sigma \mathbf{u} - \kappa \Sigma \nabla \frac{\sigma}{\Sigma}) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$C := \frac{\sigma}{\Sigma}$$

Dust to Gas density ratio/concentration

$$\Sigma \left(\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla C \right) = \text{div}(\kappa \Sigma \nabla C)$$

Axisymmetrical (轴对称薄盘): everything is a function of R



Ratio of diffusion coef over viscosity (气体粘滞系数) $\zeta = \frac{\kappa(R)}{\nu(R)} = \text{constant}$



$$\Sigma \frac{\partial C}{\partial t} + \Sigma v_R \frac{\partial C}{\partial R} = \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(R \zeta \nu \Sigma \frac{\partial C}{\partial R} \right)$$

Analytical results with NO PLANET PERTURBATION

Clarke & Pringle 1988

Steady Accretion Disk

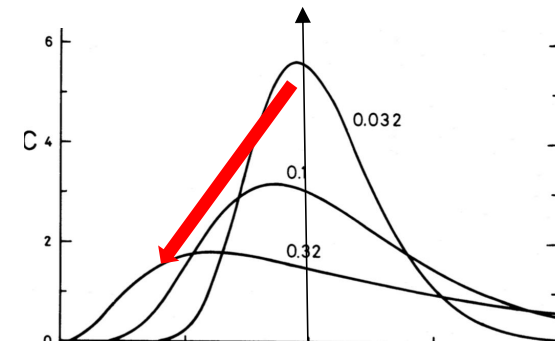
$$\Sigma = \Sigma_0 R^{-a}$$

$$v_R = -\frac{3\nu}{2R} = -\frac{\dot{M}}{2\pi \Sigma_0 R^{1-a}}$$

For given condition:

$$C(R, t)|_{t=0} = C_0 \delta(R - R_0)$$

$$C(R, t)|_{R=R_{min}, R=R_{max}} = 0$$



Planet \rightarrow Gas(2D)

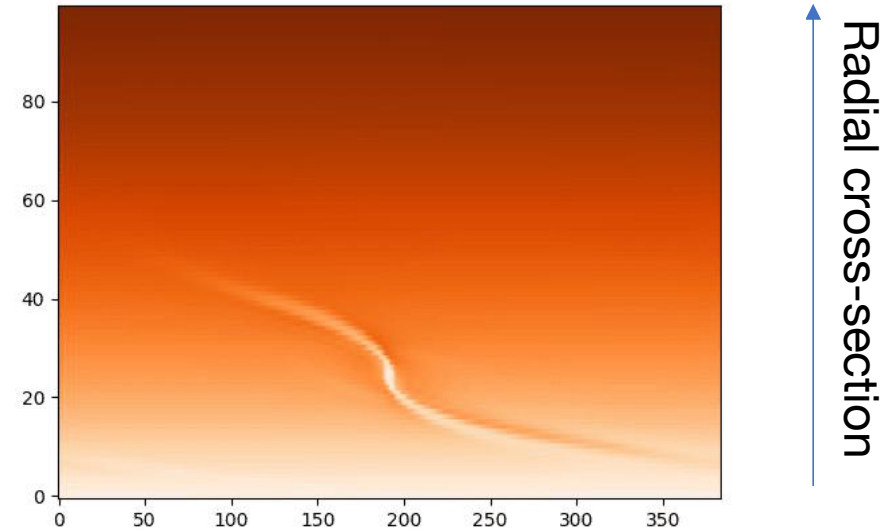
FARGO3D



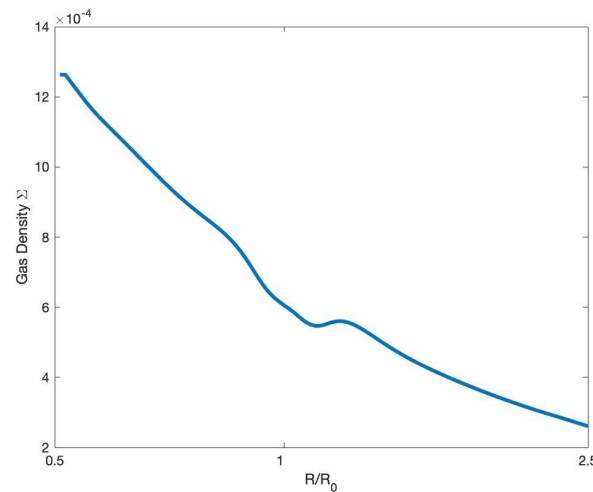
Parameters:

1. h_0 : 0.05
2. Σ_0 : $6.3661977237e-4$
3. ν_0 : $1.0e-5$
4. α : 1.0
5. β : 0.25

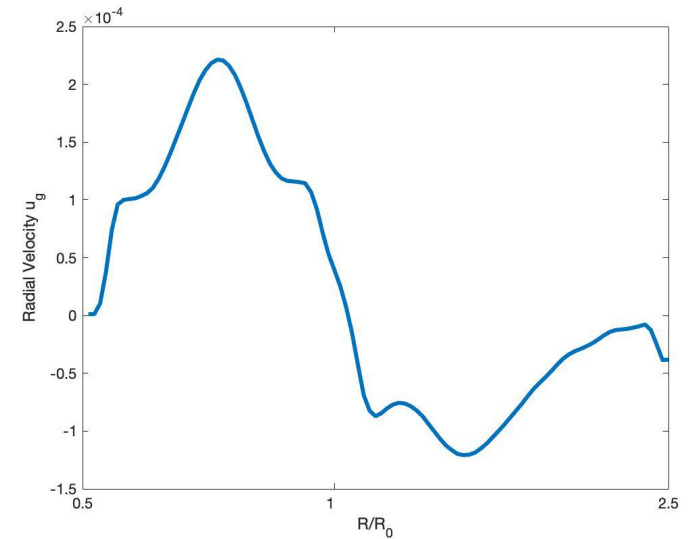
Default unit system:
central star mass=1
orbital radius=1
 $G=1$
Planet=0.001(a planet core)



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Gas Density



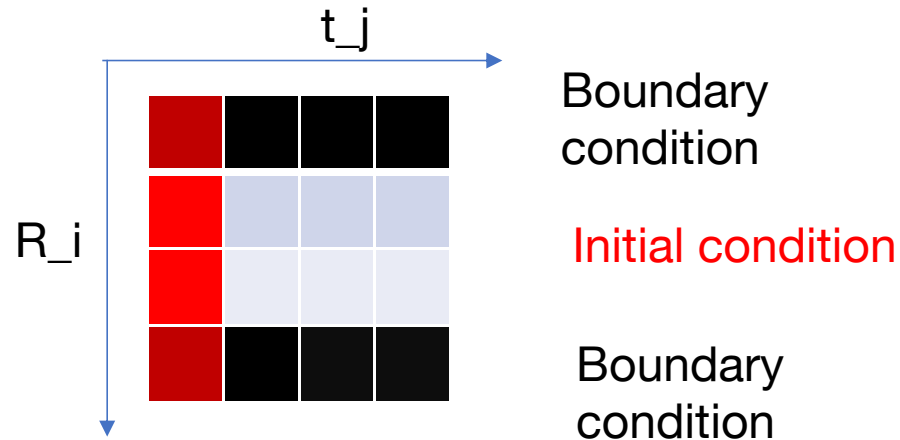
Radial Velocity

Numerical Method

Jacobi Iteration with MATLAB $C(R, t) = C(R_i, t_j)$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial R_{i,j}} \approx \frac{C(R_{i+1}, t_j) - C(R_{i-1}, t_j)}{\Delta R}$$

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t_{i,j}} = \frac{C(R_i, t_j) - C(R_i, t_{j-1})}{\Delta t}$$

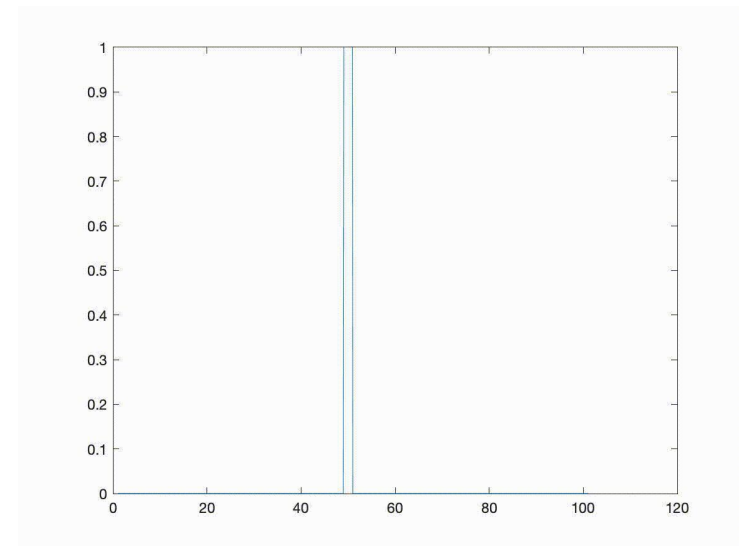
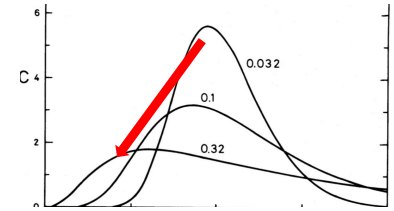


$$C_{i,j} = f(C_{i+1,j}, C_{i-1,j}, C_{i,j-1})$$

Continue to iterate until the C matrix becomes stable!

Method Test

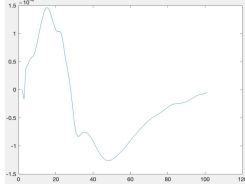
Green function initial



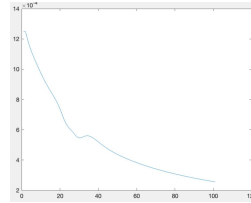
Gas \rightarrow Dust

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Modified Gas Density



Modified Gas Velocity



(Extracted azimuthal mean **1-D data** from the 2-D simulation)

Results:

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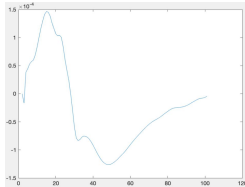
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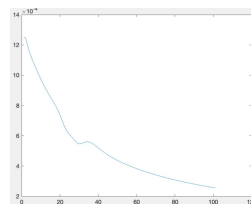
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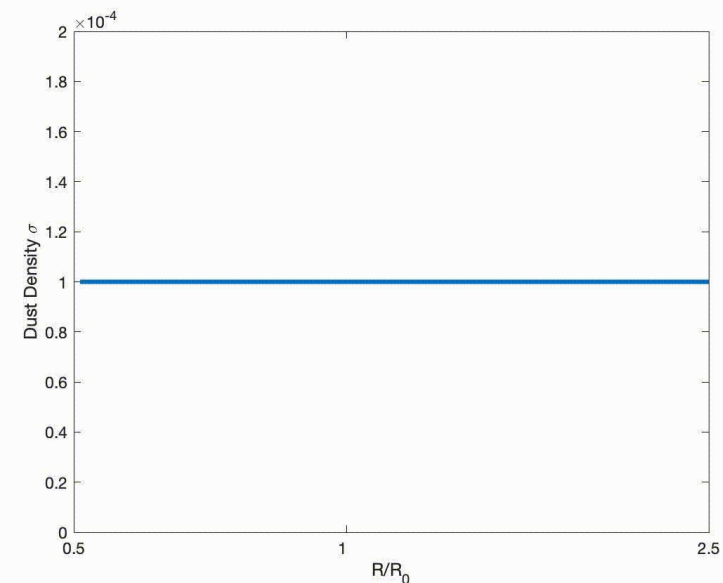
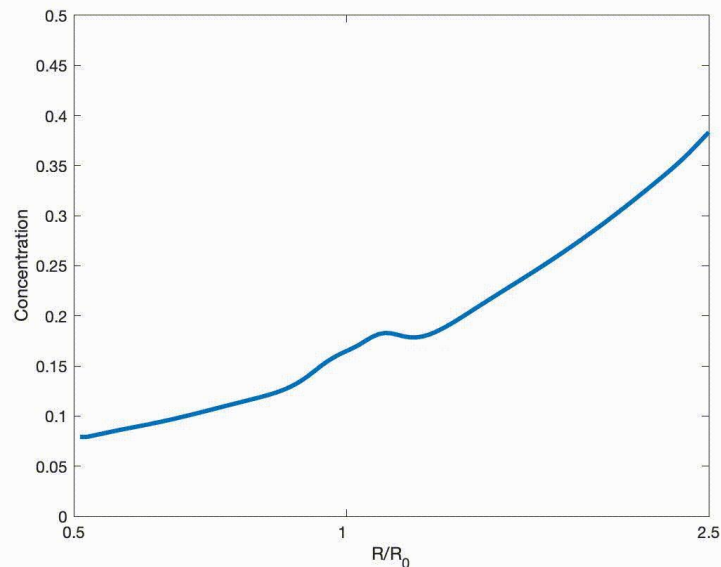
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Modification (+ Gas Drag)

v: relative azimuthal velocity; u: radial velocity

$$\begin{cases} -2v_p\Omega_k = \frac{u_g - u_p}{\tau_s} \\ \frac{1}{2}u_p\Omega_k = \frac{v_g - v_p}{\tau_s} \\ -2v_g\Omega_k = -\frac{\rho_p}{\rho} \frac{u_g - u_p}{\tau_s} + 2\eta\Omega_k \\ \frac{1}{2}u_g\Omega_k = -\frac{\rho_p}{\rho} \frac{v_g - v_p}{\tau_s} + \frac{1}{2}\xi\Omega_k \end{cases} \quad \eta = -\frac{h^2\Omega_k r}{2} \frac{\ln\rho}{\ln r} \quad \frac{1}{2}\xi = \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\rho v r^3 \frac{\partial\Omega_k}{\partial r} \right)$$

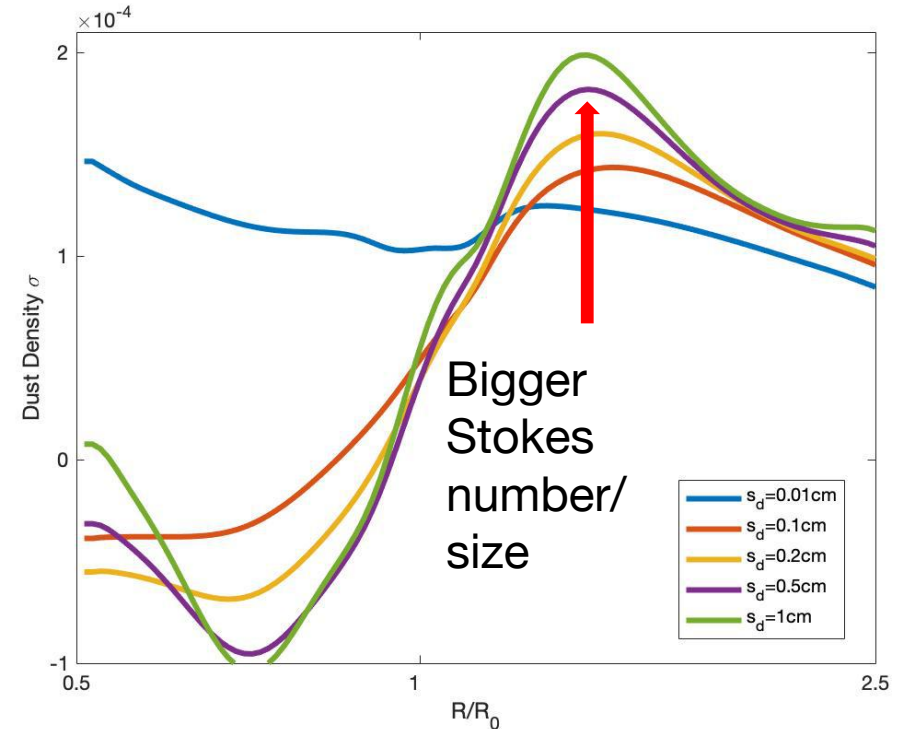
Affiliated with relaxation time(弛豫时间).

Eqn 1,2 ---- Gas drag

Eqn 3,4 ---- Feedback

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}u_g\Omega_k = \frac{v_{gas} - v_g}{\tau} \\ -2v_g\Omega_k = \frac{u_{gas} - u_g}{\tau} \end{cases} \quad \longrightarrow \quad u_g = \frac{u_{gas}}{1 + (\tau\Omega_k)^2}$$

Stokes number, proportional to **dust size** s_d



Conclusion:

Bigger dust grains (pebbles) are more likely to be totally blocked.(PEBBLE ISOLATION)

Flattening (+Gas Drag +Feedback)

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}u\Omega_k = -\frac{\rho_p}{\rho} \frac{v - v_p}{\tau_s} + \frac{1}{2}\xi\Omega_k \\ \frac{1}{2}u_p\Omega_k = \frac{v - v_p}{\tau_s} \\ -2v_p\Omega_k = \frac{u - u_p}{\tau_s} \\ -2v\Omega_k = -\frac{\rho_p}{\rho} \frac{u - u_p}{\tau_s} + 2\eta\Omega_k \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta v := v - v_p, \Delta u := u - u_p$$



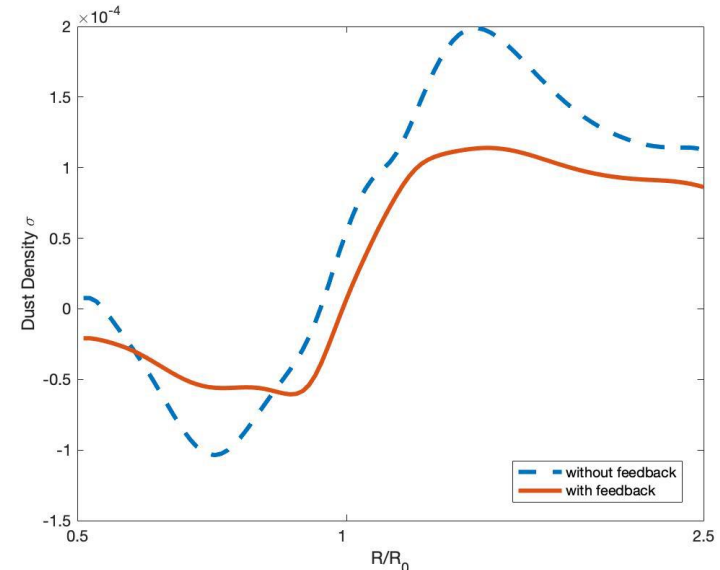
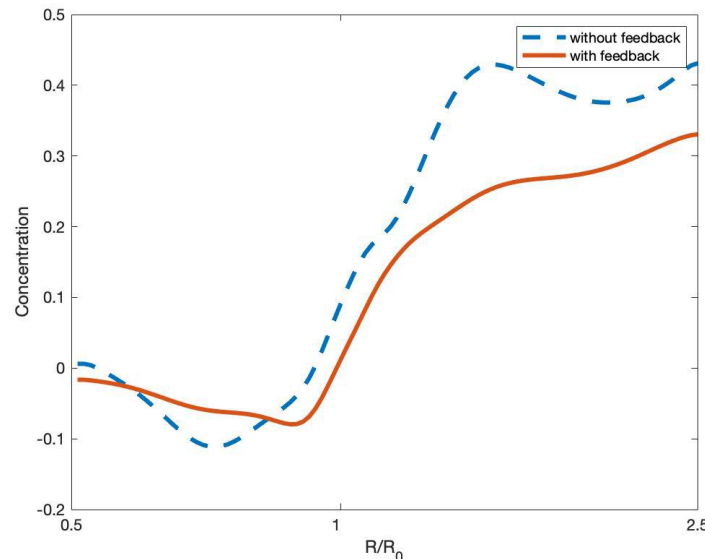
$$\begin{cases} -\Delta v = \eta - \frac{1}{2}(1 + C) \frac{\Delta u}{S_t} = 0 \\ \Delta u = \xi - 2(1 + C) \frac{\Delta v}{S_t} = u_g \end{cases}$$

Critical Concentration $C = \frac{2\eta S_t}{u_g} - 1$

After reaching critical concentration, the dust begins to move outwards and gain a positive radial velocity, to accumulate **elsewhere**

To approximate, we just let the radial velocity of dust to gradually **reduce to 0**:

Result: much flatter than **with no feedback**



PART 2:
Implication on Planet Formation

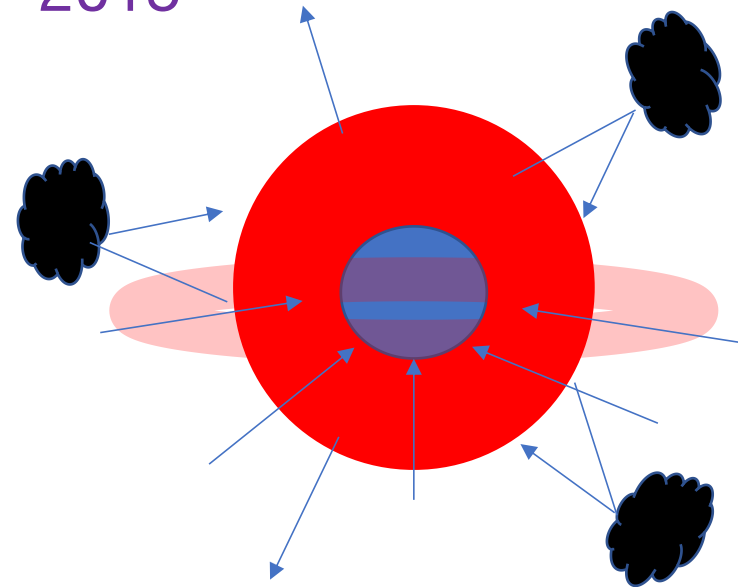
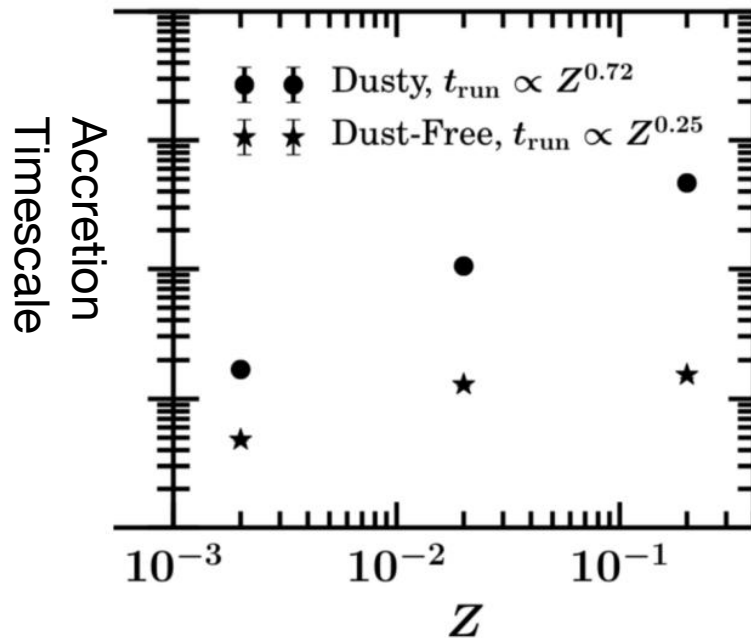
Opacity(不透明度)

$$\kappa_{\text{rcb}} = \kappa_0 (\rho_{\text{rcb}}/\rho_0)^\alpha (T_{\text{rcb}}/T_0)^\beta (Z/Z_0)^\delta$$

Contributed by dust grains and metallicity!

- Grain/Metal Contaminant ↓
- Opacity ↓
- Cooling ↑
- Accretion ↑

“To Cool is to
Accrete!”
— Lee & Chiang
2015



Opacity in Pit and Pileup

Creationist's Point of View

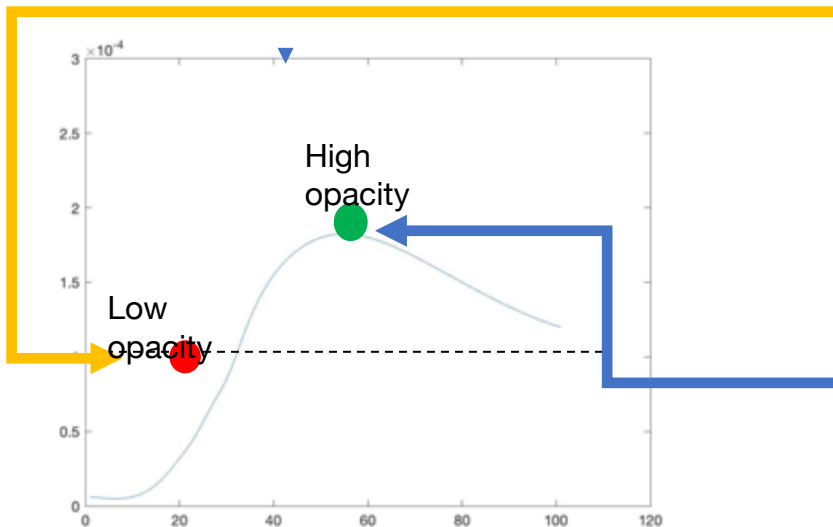
Opacity/Metallicity is a pre-set **CONSTANT!**



Low Metallicity/Opacity -> Quick Accretion, Short Timescale

High Metallicity/Opacity -> Slow Accretion, Long Timescale

Evolutionist's Point of View



Density profile

PIT:

Accreting planets have the ability to **lower the original dust density** around the vicinity by generating **dust barriers** **enhancing its own cooling and accretion**

Hard to form a Super-Earth by itself (unless anomalies)

PILEUP (堆积物) :

A **NEW** core's (once formed) **accretion would be hindered** by the opacity accumulated under the influence of the first planet

Might **remain** a Super-Earth

Core Formation in Pileup

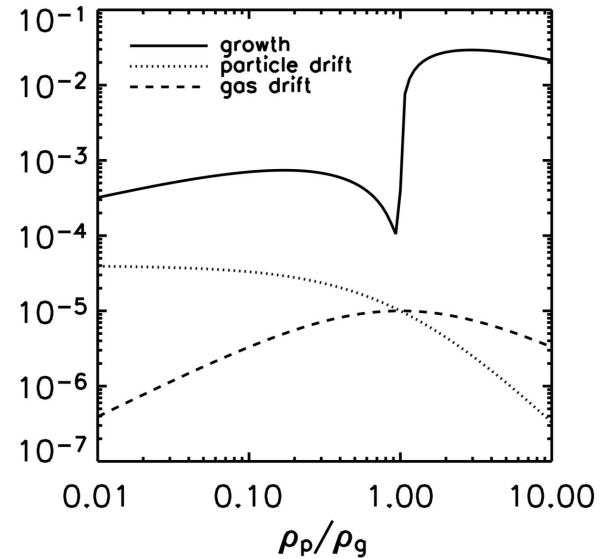
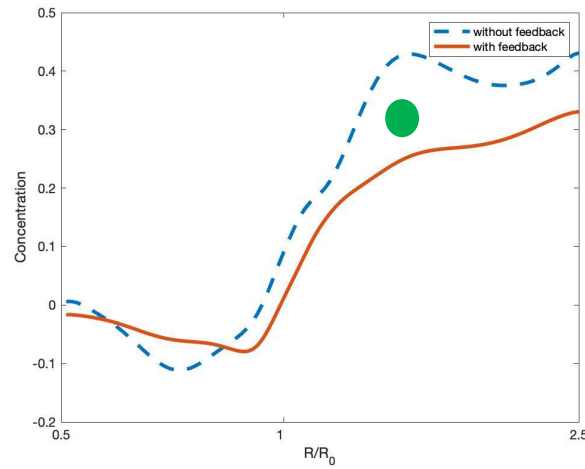
Streaming Instability (Youdin & Goodman 2005)

In places where $C \sim 1$, the interaction between GAS and DUST gives rise to rapid growth of **PLANETESIMAL (CORE)**

$$C = \frac{2\eta S_t}{u_g} - 1$$

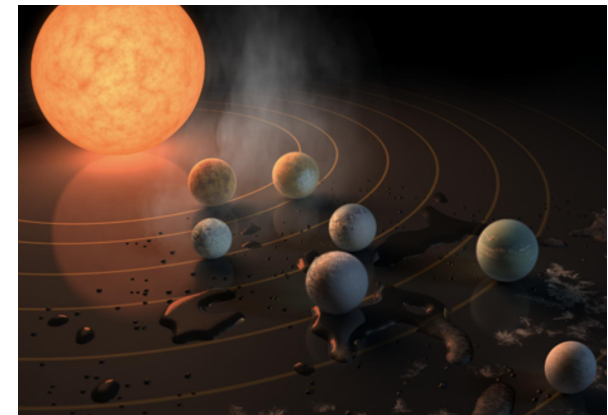
$C_{crit} \sim 1$: dust accumulates enough to form **planetesimals and cores**

$C_{crit} \ll 1$: reaches a ceiling and flattens out before formation



A Chain Reaction?

cores form out of the pileup one after another and push the pileup further back -> **a string of superearths**



TRAPPIST-1 system

Summary

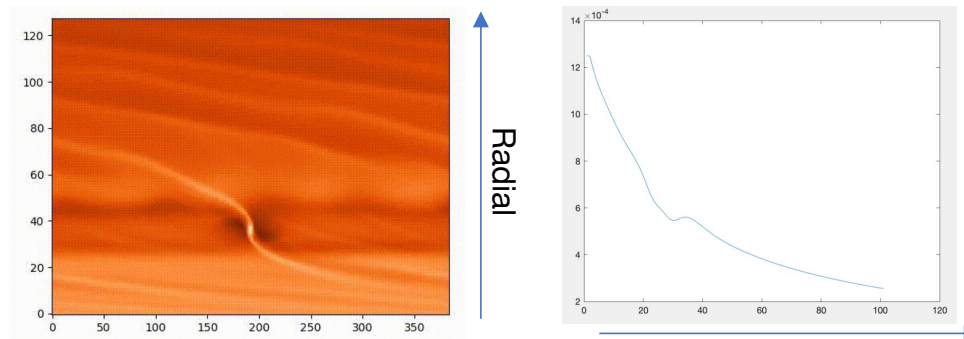
PART 1

Dust Diffusion in Protostellar disks

- Planet formation
- Gas Gapping and Pebble Isolation
(Explained with **Diffusion Equation**)

Conclusion: Accreting planets have the ability to change the dust density profile according to particle size around its vicinity by generating dust barriers

Features 1) Bigger dust gets blocked more 2) Flattening

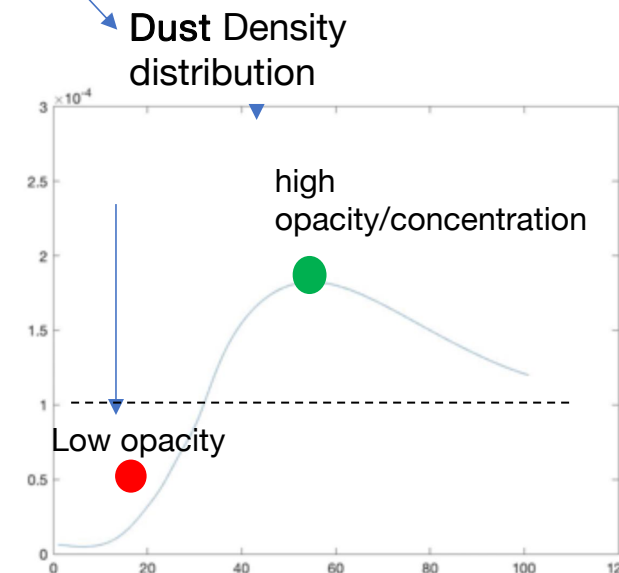


Gas Density distribution 2D->1D

PART 2

Effects on Planet Formation

- Opacity
 - Lower opacity/dust density **around** it, **enhances its own accretion -> gas giant?**
 - High opacity/dust density in the **pileup**, **hinders the accretion of a new core -> super earth?**
- Core formation: Generates instability/core forming in the **pileup**, leading to forming of a new core if the Critical Concentration before “flattening” reaches ~ 1 , potentials of **sequential formation** (接连形成)



Dust Density distribution