# The Evolution of Gas in Protoplanetary Disks

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## Outline

- I. Motivate the study of gas in disks
- 2. Gas in protoplanetary disks



RA offset (arcsec; J2000)





### 3. Herschel first results and key contributions

### Gas in the protosolar nebula

### CAI



### ~2,000 K gas present

oldest solids



~ 2Myr

#### gas present





~ 5 Myr (?)

+50 Myr





#### photoevaporating nebula (?)

gas (?)

Pascucci & Tachibana 2010

The evolution disk gas directly affects:

- when giant planets form and their atmosphere
- the final location of planets in the disk

the habitability of terrestrial planets
(circular orbits and volatile delivery)

### Planet migration and disk gas



### Inward migration of planetesimals

Nebular gas permits inward radial transport of icy solids that can replenish the terrestrial planet-forming region of volatiles (e.g. Ciesla & Lauretta 2005)



### Formation of terrestrial planets: embryo-disk interaction

A small amount of gas (~Ig/cm<sup>2</sup>) may be needed to form terrestrial planets on circular orbits



Key Questions:

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### Photoevaporation: gap formation

→ talk by Uma Gorti



See also: Alexander et al. 2006; Gorti & Hollenbach 2009; Gorti et al. 2009; Ercolano et al. 2009

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## What do we know about the evolution of disk gas?

## Diagnostics of gas accreting onto the star



## Accretion rates from Herbig stars to brown dwarfs



### Dispersal of hot dust – end of accretion



### Accretion does not measure the gas disk mass

$$\dot{M} \simeq 7 \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{\alpha}{0.01}\right) \left(\frac{T_{1\rm AU}}{100K}\right) \left(\frac{\Sigma_{1\rm AU}}{100 \, g/cm^2}\right) \ [M_{\odot}/yr]$$

Hartmann (1998)

To use the equation above we need to know:

- viscosity parameter
- midplane disk temperature
- how surface density scales with radial distance
- is gas depleted because of other mechanisms (e.g. photoevaporation)?



### Gas in Young Protoplanetary Disks

#### ABAur





### Simple (abundant) molecules detected

CO overtone: ~1,000 K gas within < 0.3 AU rarely detected</li>
CO fundamental: cooler gas out to a few AU often detected
H<sub>2</sub> NIR: disk surface ~1,000 K out to several AU (30% det. rate) (reviews by Najita et al. 2007, Carmona 2010, Pascucci & Tachibana 2010 + poster 7)





### Gas line detections vs spectral type

MIR spectra of intermediate-mass stars are not rich in molecular lines UV photodestruction of molecules?



### Lack of water lines but strong OH lines in Herbig



## Chemically poor outer disks of Herbig stars

Molecule	$\chi^2$ -minimization method			Cher	Chemical model	
	Ν	$1 \sigma$	N/N(13CO)(1*)	Ν	N/N(13CO)(2*)	N/N( <sup>13</sup> CO) <sup>(1*)</sup>
	$[cm^{-2}]$	error		$[cm^{-2}]$	1	
$H_2$	$610^{22}$	$110^{22}$	$1.510^{6}$	$510^{22}$	$1.310^{6}$	1 107
<sup>13</sup> CO <sup>(*3)</sup>	$410^{16}$	$510^{15}$	1	$410^{16}$	1	1
$HCO^+$	$610^{12}$	$310^{11}$	$1.510^{-4}$	$1.510^{13}$	$410^{-4}$	$210^{-3}$
HCN	$510^{11}$	$310^{11}$	$1.310^{-5}$	$410^{11}$	$10^{-5}$	$710^{-4}$
CS	$310^{12}$	$310^{12}$	$< 810^{-5}$	$210^{11}$	$510^{-6}$	$310^{-4}$
$C_2H$	$210^{13}$	$210^{13}$	$< 5  10^{-4}$	$10^{10}$	$2.510^{-7}$	$10^{-3}$
$CH_3OH$	0	$710^{15}$	$< 210^{-1}$	0	0	0

### AB Aur vs DM Tau (Schreyer et al. 2008)

supported by other studies: Chapillon et al. 2008, Henning et al. 2010, Oberg et al. 2010  $\rightarrow$  talk by K. Oberg

Effect of high UV field from intermediate-mass stars

## Different chemistry in disks around brown dwarfs

- IRS low-resolution spectra from a sample of 44 disks around sun-like stars and 17 disks around brown dwarfs





a multitude of diagnostics to trace gas from very close to the central star out to hundreds of AU

rich complex chemistry linked to the stellar radiation field  $\Rightarrow$  talk by V. Geers and P5+P9+P12



### **Evolved Protoplanetary Disks**



### Fewer CO rovibrational lines detected



- Sun-like Stars: CO detections in 9/14 transition disks, hot gas in the dust-depleted disk (Salyk et al. 2009)

### Lack of strong molecular lines in transition disks

OH produced via dissociation of water? (Tappe et al. 2008)  $\Rightarrow$  talk by Uma Gorti



### Atomic lines in 'oldish' disks

### disks in ~5Myr-old star-forming regions





Glassgold et al. 2007, Meijerink et al. 2008, Ercolano et al. 2008, Hollenbach & Gorti 2010

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### Ongoing photoevaporation in transition disks

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### The photoevaporative disk wind is mostly ionized

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### Gas in Debris Disks

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### Most of the primordial gas mass is dispersed early

FEPS (PI M. Meyer): Survey of 32 solar analogs (26 non-accreting stars)

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### Little gas to circularize terrestrial planet orbits

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### Second-generation gas in the disk of Beta Pic

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extended emission from Fe I, Na I, Ca II, Ni I ..... also [CII]157 $\mu$ m detected with Herschel (P15)

overabundance of C relative to other elements outgassing of planetesimals?

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### Millimeter results confirm low gas masses

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## First Results from the Herschel Space Observatory

### Tracing the dispersal of nebular gas

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Gas in Protoplanetary Systems – Herschel Key Program (PI W. Dent)

Sample of ~200 disks (1–30 Myr)

Key Tracers: [OI], [CII], H<sub>2</sub>O, CO

+extensive modeling (Woitke et al. 2009,2010 Kamp et al. 2010)

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### Herschel Space Observatory – First results

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### [OI] 63 µm detected in most sources

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### FIR + mm lines to measure the gas disk mass

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Pinte et al. 2010 based on 300,000 disk models by Woitke et al. 2010

### Indications on gas/dust disk mass ratios

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Thi et al. 2010

### Summary

Spectra of young accreting disks are rich in molecular emission lines
 → complex chemistry stellar-mass dependent

• Spectra of evolved disks lack strong molecular lines but have atomic emission lines (photodestruction of molecules by UV field)

- Ongoing photoevaporation in some evolved/transition disks
- Debris disks do not have enough mass to form giant planets
- Herschel key contributions on :
- I) determination of gas masses as a function of stellar age
- 2) indications on gas/dust mass ratios  $\rightarrow$  disk dispersal mechanisms