Placing Our Solar System in Context

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Why should planetologists *care* about circumstellar disks?

initial conditions of planet formation.
trace evolution of planetary systems.
attempt to place our solar system in context.

Do you believe solar systems like our own are common or rare among sun-like stars in the disk of the Milky Way galaxy? Why?

Please write down your answer in a few sentences.

Is the Evolution of Our Sun `Normal'?



See review by Giampapa (2004).

Ways in which our solar system might be odd: Properties of Planetary Systems?

- Frequency and location of gas giants.
- Frequency and location of terrestrial planets.
- Frequency and location of ice giants.
- Location and evolution of asteroid belts.
- Location and evolution of Kuiper belts.

Pre-main Sequence Evolution



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Evidence for Disks Around Young Stars

- Optical & near-IR polarization:
 - » Elsaesser & Staude (1978).
- mm and IR excess emission:
 - » Rucinski (1985) & Myers et al. (1987).
- blue-shifted mass-loss:
 - » Appenzeller et al. (1984) & Edwards et al. (1987).
- kinematic signatures of rotation:
 - » disk-dominated systems (Welty et al., 1989).
- direct images from HST:
 - » O'Dell & Wen (1992) ; McCaughrean & O'Dell (1996).

Direct Images of Circumstellar Disks



O'Dell & Wen 1992, *Ap.J.*, **387**, 229. McCaughrean & O'Dell 1996, *AJ*, **108**, 1382.

Blackbody Disk with Dynamically Cleared Gap



NIR MID FIR sub-mm



0.1 1.0 10.0 100 AU



Near-IR Spectrophotometry of T Tauri Stars: Opacity Gap due to Dust Sublimation?



Muzerolle et al. (2003).

Chiang & Goldreich 1997; Dullemond et al. 2001; see also Calvet et al. 2003

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Haisch etal. 2001; see also Hillenbrand, Meyer, and Carpenter (2002).

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HD 100546: Inner Hole in Disk Caused by Proto-planet?



Resolved at 24.5 μm: Inner hole < 30 AU devoid of dust. Indirect evidence of planetary companion?

Liu, Hinz, Meyer, Hoffman, Mamajek, and Hora, ApJ L (2003)

Evolution of Primordial Disks: Some Answers?

- Collapse of rotating cloud cores set initial conditions.
- Disk instabilities occur during protostellar phase.
- 50 % of accretion disks (< 0.1 AU) dissipate < 3 Myr.
- Large dispersion (1-10 Myr) in accretion disk lifetimes.
- Stellar angular momentum tied to disk accretion.
- Disk accretion rates decrease with time.

The Transition between Thick & Thin:

• Primordial Disks:

» Opacity dominated by primordial grains.

• Debris Disks:

» Opacity dominated by grains produced through collisions of planetesimals.

• How can you tell the difference?

» Absence of gas (Gas/Dust < 0.1) argues for short dust lifetimes (blow-out/P-R drag).

>> Dust processing through mineralogy?

1. How much *gas* is required for $\tau = 1$? • M(accretion) > 10⁻⁷ M_{sun}/year?

2. How much *dust* is required for $\tau = 1$?

Near-IR r < 0.1 AU: ~ 2-10 M(Ceres).
Mid-IR 0.1-1.0 AU: ~ 0.1-2 M(Earth).
FIR 1.0-10.0 AU: 0.1-10 M(Jupiter).

It is often assumed that optically-thin implies a ''debris'' disk rather than primordial disk, though this need not be the case.

Factors Influencing Disk Evolution

• Stellar mass:

» Do high mass stars lose disks quicker?

- Close companions:
 - » dynamical clearing of gaps (Jensen et al. 1995; 1997; Meyer et al. 1997b; Ghez et al. 1997; Prato et al. 1999; White et al. 2001).

• Formation environment:

» cluster versus isolated star formation (Hillenbrand et al. 1998; Kim et al. 2005; and Sicilia-Aguilar et al. 2004).

From Active Accretion to Planetary Debris Disks...

Images courtesy of M. McCaughrean, C.R. O'Dell, NASA, and P. Kalas.



 β Pic 20 Myrs







MIR Excess (0.3-1.0 AU) vs. Cluster Age





FIR Outer Disks (1-10 AU) vs. Time *Classical Evolution or Punctuated Equilibrium?*





Sub-mm Photometry: Dust Mass over Time?





HD 107146: Debris Disk Surrounding 100-300 Myr G star?



Williams et al. (2004) ApJL.

Ardila et al. (2005).

Theoretical Gas-Disk Dispersal Timescales

• Photo-evaporation:

- » R > 10 AU => T < 10 Myr (Hollenbach et al., 2000)
- Viscous evolution:
 - >> T(diff) ~ $R^2/[\alpha h_{cs}]$ Pringle (1986); Chiang (this school)

• Planet Formation:

- » Gravitational fragmentation $<<< 10^6$ yrs.
- » Core accretion 1-10 $\times 10^6$ yrs.



Where is the molecular gas???



Ritcher et al. 2002



Dent et al. 2005 (See also Lecavelier des Etangs et al. 2001; Chen et al. 2005).



Silicate Evolution in T Tauri Disks?

Kessler, Hillenbrand, Blake, & Meyer (2005).

Silicate Emission: Effects of Mineralogy



Malfait et al. A&A 1999, 345, 181. Malfait et al. A&A 1999, 332, L25. Meeus et al. A&A 2001, 365, 476.

Herbig Ae/Be star survey: ~ 10 % of isolated targets show crystalline silicates.

=> Because no crystalline silicates in the diffuse ISM this implies *processing*! Theoretical Dust Disk Dispersal Timescales

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For r = 45 AU and $a = 50 \mu m$, and disk with $f > 10^{-7}$ would be collisionally dominated.

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 $f \sim 1 \times 10^{-5} > 3 \times 10^{-4} / [r(AU)^{1/2} a(\mu m)]$

or $[r(AU)^{1/2} a(\mu m)] > 30$

For $a = 0.1 \mu m$, r > 90,000 AU != for T(r) $a = 5.0 \mu m$, r > 36 AU

Properties of our Own Debris Disk

• Kuiper-belt dust:

» $30-50 \text{ AU} => M(\text{KB}) \sim 1 \times 10^{-10} \text{ Msun}$ (Fixen & Dwek, 2002; Kelsall et al., 1998)

• Inner zodiacal dust:

» 0.1-3 AU => M(zodi) ~ 3 x 10^{-10} Msun (Hahn et al. 2001; Fixen & Dwek, 2002)

• Role of Comets?

» Sikes et al. (1990); Reach et al. (1997)

Asymmetries due to planets:
 » Dermott et al. (Earth); Moro-Martin (Neptune)

Using the models of Wolf & Hillenbrand (2003) construct a model of the spectral energy distribution for the 30 Myr old solar mass star, HD 105. Determine: a) the mean particle size, b) temperature of the dust; c) the inner radius of the disk, d) the mass of the dust; d) summarize a physical model for the disk; and e) come up with an observational test of the hypothesis offered above.

Links to the transfer code, stellar models, and Spitzer data will be available at:

http://feps.as.arizona.edu