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## Laboratory Astrophysics of Cosmic Dust



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## Motivation Cosmic Dust Studies



- Dust extinction, polarization, spectroscopy, continuum emission as diagnostic tools
  (Optical depth, mass, magnetic fields, temperature, chemistry, growth processes, mixing, ...)
- Dust: Thermal, dynamical, and chemical structure
- Interesting structural and optical behaviour (Tunneling processes at low temperatures)

# Foundation of Spectrocopy Two Heidelberg Giants



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#### Gustav Kirchhoff (1824-1887), Robert Bunsen (1811-1899)

Chemical Analysis by Observation of Spectra Ann. der Physik und Chemie 110, 161-189, 1860

## **Heidelberg - A Dusty Place**



#### M. Wolf – The German who discovered North America Distinguished astrophotographer and discoverer of the Wolf diagram (1863-1932)





**1891-Horsehead Region** 

## **Dusty Heidelberg – A few milestones**



Helios – December 1974 Interplanetary Dust – C. Leinert



**Mass spectroscopy of Halley's dust - 1986** Discovery of CHON particles – J. Kissel



**Efficient Production Technique of Fullerenes** – 1990 W. Krätschmer



**Ulysses Dust Experiment (1990-)** E. Grün – Discovery of Jovian Dust Streams and Interstellar Grains in the Solar System

# **B 68 – From Spitzer to WISE and Herschel**





#### Dust continuum data

#### Modelled by ray tracing

Nielbock et al. 2011, in prep. Herschel/EPOS project

## How to interpret SEDs at long wavelengths?

- Presence of very cold dust
- Dust mass estimates

(protoplanetary disks, molecular cores, galaxies, quasars, ...)

• General characterization of spectral energy distributions



Linz et al. (2010)

# Example: Spectrum of forsterite particles at different temperatures



## PAH emission: AGNs vs. Starburst Galaxies



Laurent et al. (2000)

## **Photoelectric heating**



#### Bakes and Tielens (1994)

## **The Facts**

- Silicates and carbonaceous ISM dust
- Broad size distribution
- Additional materials in circumstellar envelopes

(carbides, nanodiamonds, fullerenes, ...)

- Molecular ices in cold clouds
- Grain growth in disks
- Crystalline silicates and molecular ices in disks



Silicates: Henning, ARAA, 48, 21, 2010 Carbonaceous Solids: Jäger et al., EAS Publ. Ser. 46, 293, 2011

#### **Dust emission spectrum**



Fig. 4. Dust emission spectrum. Observations (crosses) pertain to the "cirrus" interstellar diffuse medium (see Table 1 and text). The horizontal bars represent the filter width used in the observations (given in Table 1). The model resulting spectrum (continuous line) is the sum of the three components that are PAHs, VSGs, and BGs.

Désert, Boulanger & Puget (1990) More to come: Compiègne et al. (2011)

#### Dust emission spectrum Dwarf Galaxy NGC 1569 (Low-metallicity Environment)



## **Basic Types of Dust Mixtures**



# **Dust in the Diffuse ISM**



Whittet et al. 1997

See Chiar et al. 2000, Chiar & Tielens (2006), Van Breemen et al. (2011)

No evidence for crystalline silicates in the diffuse ISM (<2%, e.g., Li & Draine 2001, Jäger et al. 2003, Kemper et al. 2004)

Amorphization by cosmic rays/shock processing in ISM/recondensation of amorphous silicates in the ISM (Jäger et al. 2003)

**3.4 micron absorption feature – aliphatic hydrocarbons** (Pendleton & Allamandola 2002)

#### h1 Amorphization easier for Fe-rich silicates henning; 10.08.2005

## Comparison of the 10 µm Si-O stretch band



Spectral ambiguity ....

- A **GEMS in IDP L2011\*B6**
- **B** Elias 16
- C Trapezium
- **D DI Cep (T Tauri star)**
- **Ε** μ Cep ( M supergiant)

GEMS:

(Mg+Fe)/Si~0.7 (Keller & Messenger 2004) Mg/Si=0.6 and Fe/Si=0.4 (Ishii et al. 2008)

Bradley et al. (1999), Chiar & Tielens (2006), van Breemen et al. (2011)

#### **Crystalline Revolution (ISO and Spitzer)**



Jäger et al. (1998)

# RECX5: Hale Bopp Formation around an M4 star?



IRS (5-40  $\mu$ m long slit, R=150, 10-38  $\mu$ m echelle, R=600)

Crovisier et al. (1997), see also Wooden et al. (1999, 2000)



Bouwman et al. (2010)

## IR Properties of Silicates – Amorphous vs. Crystalline Structures



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- 10µm band due to Si-O stretching; Position depends on level of SiO<sub>4</sub> polymerization (e.g. band shifts from 9.0 µm for SiO<sub>2</sub> to 10.5 µm for Mg<sub>2.4</sub>SiO<sub>4.4</sub> – Jäger et al. 2003)
- 18 μm band additionally broadened (coupling of the Si-O bending to the Me-O stretching vibration)
- Crystalline silicates: Bands beyond 20 µm caused by translational motion of metal cations within the oxygen cage and complex translations involving Me and Si atoms

### **Laboratory Investigations of Cosmic Dust**





#### EELS – Fe (red), Mg (green), C (blue); J. Bradley/H. Ishii

MPIA Jena He droplet experiment

- Interplanetary dust particles and stardust in meteorites
- Optical properties of cosmic dust analogues
- Formation and modification of dust grains

# MPIA Laboratory Astrophysics Facility @ U Jena



# **Cavity Ring-Down Spectroscopy of PAHs**





Rouille ea. 2009, JCP 131, 204311 Staicu ea. 2008, JCP 129, 074302 Rouille ea. 2008, Chem.Phys.Chem. 9, 2085



**Comprehensive dataset for electronic PAH spectra** 

## **Onion-like presolar "graphite" particle -Murchison meteorite**



Clayton et al.

# **Stardust in primitive meteorites and IDPs**



Graphite	10 ppm	1-20 µm	Novae, SN, AGB
Diamond	1400	0.002	SN(?)
SiC	14	0.3-20	AGB (mainstream), SN
$Al_2O_3$	0.01	0.5-3	Red giants, AGB, SN
Si <sub>3</sub> N <sub>4</sub>	0.002	1	SN

## Detection of nanodiamonds in unprocessed Allende



Banhart et al. (1998)

# Silicates from Space





SEM Image

Scale bar: 200 nm

- 3 Olivine grains
- 4 Pyroxene grains
- 3 Glass-like grains

Hoppe et al. 2005

(see also Messenger et al. 2003 Vollmer et al. 2008, 2009)

#### Why does interstellar dust exist?



- Dust destruction in diffuse ISM more efficient than production by AGB stars (see Jones & Nuth 2011)
- SN dust production rate seems to be very low
- ,,Homogeneous" dust models (Draine & Lee) vs. core-mantle models (Greenberg) vs. ,,inhomogenous dust" (Mathis)
- What is the nature of the VSGs?
- Why don't we see SiC grains in the diffuse ISM?

## **Grain Sizes – From "Nano to Micro"**

#### Coronene

## **Carbon Onion**

## **Soot Particle**







36 atoms 1 nm 10<sup>5</sup> atoms 15 nm

**10<sup>7</sup> atoms 200 nm** 

### **Transition from Carbon Clusters to Solid Particles**



#### **Formation of Dust**

#### **Grain formation experiments under high-T conditions**



Jäger ea. 09

HT (≥3500 K): Very small fullerene-like carbon grains LT (≤1700 K): Synthesis of PAH-based structures

**Grain formation experiments under low-T conditions** 

Nuth & Moore (1989): Silicate material from molecular precursorsDartois et al. (2005):Formation of HAC polymers produced by UV<br/>photolysis at low T

### Non-crystalline disordered carbons

Soot Particles (without hydrogen/oxygen): Curved and closed structures or polycrystalline materials Soot Particles (with hydrogen): Smaller grains preferably formed: Curved structures





Arc discharges, laser ablation, thermal sublimation methods, sputtering, laser pyrolysis, combustion

## Gas-phase condensed soot particles



## **Reactivity of carbonaceous surfaces**

- Agglomerated carbon particles provide large surface area
- Curved carbon structures are very reactive (mechanical tension)
- Curved carbon structures have larger number of docking sites than graphite
- Carbon onions: "Production" and "Absorption" of electrons



## **Chemical Reactions in Helium Droplets**

**Oxidation reactions of period 3 elements (Mg, Al, and Si) studied at ultra-low temperature (0.37 K) in liquid helium droplets** 



In Mg +  $O_2$  reactions: Observation of chemiluminescence provides reaction rates. Various reaction channels revealed for oxidation of silicon atoms and clusters by  $O_2$ .

(Krasnokutski & Huisken 2010)

# Grain formation at high temperatures



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## **Gas-Phase Synthesis of PAHs**

**CO<sub>2</sub>** laser pyrolysis of hydrocarbons at (low) temperature is used to produce carbonaceous grains and PAHs under conditions encountered in circumstellar environments.



Jäger et al: 2008, ApJ 689, 249; 2009, ApJ, 696, 706.

HRTEM and MALDI-TOF reveal formation of large PAHs with masses up to 3000 amu.

## Soot formation pathways HT Condensation Process T ≥ 3500 K

#### Fullerene-like carbon seeds & fullerenes







Haberland, Clusters of Atoms and Molecules I, Springer Verlag



# Discovery of $C_{60}$ and $C_{70}$ in a PN



Cami et al. (2010, Continuum Subtracted Spitzer Spectrum)

# **Dust and Radiation**



#### **Incoming radiation**

- plane waves
- polarised somehow
- some spectrum

#### Absorption



- Transformation of energy to some other form
- Re-emission at different wavelengths

#### **Scattering (elastic)**

- Change in direction
- Change in polarization
- No change in wavelength

# Let us construct a model ...



- 1. Assume chemical composition, shape, size, internal structure distribution
- 2. Select the relevant laboratory data for n, k (material structure? temperature?)
- 3. Calculate the cross sections (scattering codes)
- 4. Construct appropriate mean values
- 5. Apply these data in your radiative transfer calculation (or simple fitting procedure)

#### **Basic Optical Properties of Solid Particles**



## **Basic Optical Data Cosmic Dust Analogues**



- Broad Wavelength Range
- Appropriate Structure (Fe/Mg, am./cryst. ...)
- Isolated Small Particles
- Temperature Range



MPIA Lab Astrophysics Group at the University of Jena

Heidelberg-Jena-Petersburg database of optical constants (Henning et al. 1999)

http://www.mpia-hd.mpg.de/HJPDOC/

#### **Optical behaviour of small particles**



After Krügel (2003) – Absorption (dots), extinction (solid line)

But: COBE Data – No single power-law emissivity law (Finkenbeiner et al. 1999)

### What you need to know ...



#### What you need to know ...





- Interstellar UV bump
- Near-infrared extinction properties
- Far-infrared absorption properties

#### **Origin of the Strong UV Resonance**



- Remarkable constancy of peak position (4.60 μm<sup>-1</sup>; variations smaller 1%)
- Peak width varies around mean value of 1.0 μm<sup>-1</sup> (variations smaller 25%)
- Lack of correlation between variation of peak position and width (except for the widest bumps: systematic shift to larger peak wavenumbers)
- Strength of the feature requires abundant element as part of the carrier
- Feature is pure absorption feature

### What is the carrier?

• HAC nanoparticles (e.g. Schnaiter et al. 1998, Gaballah et al. 2011)

• Large PAHs (e.g. Beegle et al. 1997, Steglich et al. 2010)



## Near-infrared Extinction Law



# **Optical Data of Amorphous Silicates:** Mg<sub>x</sub>Fe<sub>1-x</sub>SiO<sub>3</sub>

#### Increase of NIR absorptivity with Fe content



(J. Dorschner, B. Begemann, Th. Henning, C. Jäger and H. Mutschke, A&A 1995)

#### What are the FIR Properties of the materials?

- Structural composition of the material (e.g. Jäger et al. 1998)
- Grain size and agglomeration state (e.g. Henning & Stognienko 1996)
- Temperature of the material (e.g. Boudet et al. 2005)



## **FIR Absorption Efficiency/Spherical Particles**



#### **Extinction Spectra of Carbonaceous Materials**



Quinten, Kreibig, Henning, Mutschke (2002)

#### What is expected ?

=>Bands are broadened and shifted to lower frequencies with higher temperature





#### How big is the relative peak shift ?





#### Long-wavelength forsterite bands as thermometer



Koike et al. (2006)



#### Am. silicate grains with olivine composition (Mg<sub>x</sub>SiO<sub>4</sub>)

#### Experiments by K. Demyk et al.



# Which new dust features can we expect to see with Herschel?

FIR: Lattice vibrations of heavy ions or ion groups with low bond energies (example KBr: transverse optical mode at 86  $\mu$ m); PACS: 57-210  $\mu$ m

- Forsterite 69 µm band
- Fayalite 93-94 µm and 110 µm band
- Crystalline Diopside  $65-66 \ \mu m$
- Hydrous silicates 100-110 μm (e.g. montmorillonite)
- Calcite CaCO<sub>3</sub> 92 µm





## Herschel – Predictions and PACS Spectra





HD 100546, DIGIT Program<br/>Sturm, Bouwman, Henning et al. (2010)Measured position is 69.2 μm(Cold (50 K) iron-free forsterite has a peak at 69.0 μm)

- a) Warm iron-free grains create the shift (150-200 K) (Mulders et al. 2011)
- **b)** Cold forsterite with a few percent iron shifts feature

#### **Towards a Dusty Universe ....**







ALMA



JWST

- Basic understanding of grain properties
- Formation and evolution of grains next challenge

Absorption, scattering, and emission by interstellar material produces enough puzzles, even of identification, to keep the proverbial seven spectroscopists with seven brooms busy for at least seven years.



Trimble & Aschwaden (1998)

"Sure it's beautiful, but I can't help thinking about all that interstellar dust out there."