

# Chapter 5: Formation of Stars and Planets

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## Gaseous Pillars · M16

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## Stars form from the "interstellar medium": gas in between stars

"Pillars of Creation"





## Life Cycle of Gas and Stars



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## Which region is hotter and which is colder?





## What is temperature?



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## If an interstellar cloud contracts to become a star, it is due to which force?

A) electromagnetic B) nuclear **C)** gravitational D) all of the above







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## HW2 due NOW!

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Moon Phases available up front if you haven't gotten yours yet





## Life Cycle of Gas and Stars



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Parcels of gas within a molecular cloud feel the gravitational attraction of all other parts of the molecular cloud...



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## Gravity has to overcome other forces in the cloud that want to keep it from collapsing



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Easier for gravity to do this if the mass of the cloud is:

> A)Doesn't Matter **B)Large** C)Small

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## Cloud doesn't collapse uniformly



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into dense, star-forming cores.

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Simulation of the collapse of gas cloud, fragmenting, forming protoplanetary disks and low mass stars

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## UK Astrophysical る 語 Fluids Facility

Matthew Bate University of Exeter

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## Conservation of "Angular Momentum"

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## Angular Momentum

- L = m v r
- L is angular momentum
- *m* is mass
- v is velocity
- r is radius

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## Any small net spin of the collapsing cloud is amplified as it becomes smaller

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## **Protoplanetary Disk**

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## **Observations of Disks**

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### Protoplanetary Disks in the Orion Nebula Hubble Space Telescope • WFPC2

NASA, J. Bally (University of Colorado), H. Throop (SWRI), and C.R. O'Dell (Vanderbilt University) STScI-PRC01-13

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## **Observations of Disks**

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## HL Tauri ALMA (radio)

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WISE (infrared)

ALMA (radio)

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## **Computer Simulations of Protoplanetary Disks**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yXq1i3HlumA&feature=youtu.be

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Likewise, the gravitational force pulling material toward the center of a protostar is exactly balanced by the pressure.

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Likewise, as more material falls on the protostar, and as heat from its interior radiates away, the protostar becomes more compact. Pressure in the protostar increases.

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HW1 solutions are online

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> Last name: end of HW1 available up front alphabet to your right

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## Evidence of impacts are everywhere!

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## Earth (Meteor Crater)

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Jupiter

## Mimas (Saturn)

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## What evidence do we have that our solar system formed from an accretion disk?

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## Almost correct observation in Sci Fi

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## https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LAlqp0\_a0tE

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## High Budget ESA PR

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## **Rosetta Mission and Philae Lander**

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## Mass Distribution in the Solar System

## Sun 99.85%

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## Outer Planets 0.134%

Terrestrial Planets 0.001%

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## What is the solar system made of?

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## Iron & Rocks (Fe, Si, Al, Ca, Mg ....)

## Water Ice (H<sub>2</sub>O)

Methane Ice (CH<sub>4</sub>)

Ammona Ice (NH<sub>3</sub>)

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## Inner versus outer planets

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## Exoplanets



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## First planets discovered outside the solar system

#### Pulsar PSR B1257+12



1992 - 3 confirmed planets

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#### Sun-like star: 51 Pegasi b



1995 - a "hot Jupiter"







## How to find planets

#### • Detect them directly

#### Detect their influence on their star

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## **Direct Imaging**

- Image the planet
- Detect its atmosphere in a spectrum

## **Transit Method**

- Measure light blocked from the star when the planet eclipses it
- Measure the star's motion due to the planet's gravity

**Radial Velocity Method** 



#### Fomalhaut System

#### Hubble Space Telescope • STIS



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## **Direct Imaging**

Planet millions of times fainter Need to mask the starlight





## **Radial Velocity Method**

Waves that reach this observer are spread out to longer, redder wavelengths (lower frequency). Waves that reach this observer are squeezed to shorter, bluer wavelengths (higher frequency).



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## Doppler Shift of Light



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λ observed **A***emitted* C emitted

## Which spectrum is moving away from us the fastest?





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## Astronomy in the News!

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**MBC**Sports

#### Texans now have NFL's longest winless streak



46m ago



ars technica

#### Get ready for a flood of new exoplanets: TESS has already spotted two



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## Japanese satellite Hayabusa 2 visits asteroid Ryugu!





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## Can't see the planet, but can see the star

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## Motion of the Sun relative to its center of mass could be detectable by (more advanced than us) aliens

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## **Transit Method**

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Starlight is blocked by the planet, reducing the amount of light detected from the star

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## A quick review of orbits...

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## Kepler

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## Kepler

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## *Kepler* Mission

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## Kepler's 3 Laws

#### <u>1st Law:</u> Orbits are elliptical

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2nd Law: equal areas in equal times

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<u>3rd Law: period depends on distance</u>

(Period of Planet [in years])<sup>2</sup>

(Average Distance of Planet from Star [in AU])<sup>3</sup>

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Transit Activity due @10:55am (feel free to discuss your answers with your group or turn in up front anytime beforehand)

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**Office Hours** 

- Mon 12-1pm Zane Tues 1:30-3pm me Tues 5-6pm Randall Wed 3-4pm Randall
- Thurs 11:45a-12:45pm Zane Fri 12-1pm me

me: INSCC 320

Zane/Randall: JFB 325

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1) Draw a planet orbiting a star what orientation is required to produce planetary transits? How common do you think that orientation is?

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# 2) What can you learn about the physical properties of the planets from transits based on the data you took (hint: there is more than one thing)?

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# 3) What is the difference between the planets around Star A and Star C (be as quantitative as possible)?

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# 4) What is the difference between the planets around Star C and Star D?

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# 5) How can you explain the results from star B (there are a variety of reasons that we may not see a signal)?

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6) The Earth's radius is about 100 times smaller than the sun? How sensitive would our light meter have to be to detect its transit?

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# How long would you have to observe to find an earth-like planet around another star?

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## Kepler-11 System (6 planets)

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## Kepler Planetary Systems

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## Exoplanet Discoveries

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As of December 14, 2017

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## Planetary Systems by Number of Known Planets





**Planetary Systems** 

As of December 14, 2017







## Sizes of Kepler Planet Candidates As of July 23, 2015

(2 - 6 R<sub>a</sub>)

### 289 - Jupiter-size (6 - 15 R<sub>a</sub>)

72 - Larger (15 - 25 R<sub>a</sub>)



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## Small Planets Come in Two Sizes









## What's Next: TESS

Large Magellanic Cloud

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Tarantula Nebula

"First Light" image taken by TESS, released last week - already found 2 new planets!

**TESS** will monitor the brightest stars in the sky for transits, finding planets around the stars nearest to us

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# What do you think about the possibility of detecting biosignatures on an Earth-like planet orbiting another star?

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- It is in orbit around the Sun.
- •It has "cleared the neighborhood" around its orbit.



### Pluto



## Why Pluto is not a planet

•It has sufficient mass to assume hydrostatic equilibrium (a nearly round shape).

Paper recently out about this 3rd criteria not used <u>historically</u>

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