



How molecules are formed in the star forming regions ?

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# Diffuse cloud

- $n \sim 10 - 10^2 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- $T \sim 30 - 80 \text{ K}$
- Low-density clouds in the ISM that can easily be penetrated by energetic radiation such as the UV radiation.



Tarantula Nebulae

# Dark Cloud

- $T \sim 10 \text{ K}$
- $n \sim 10^3 - 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- Not penetrated by optical and UV photons. Little ionisation. Material is mostly molecular, dominant species is  $\text{H}_2$ .



Dark Cloud B 68

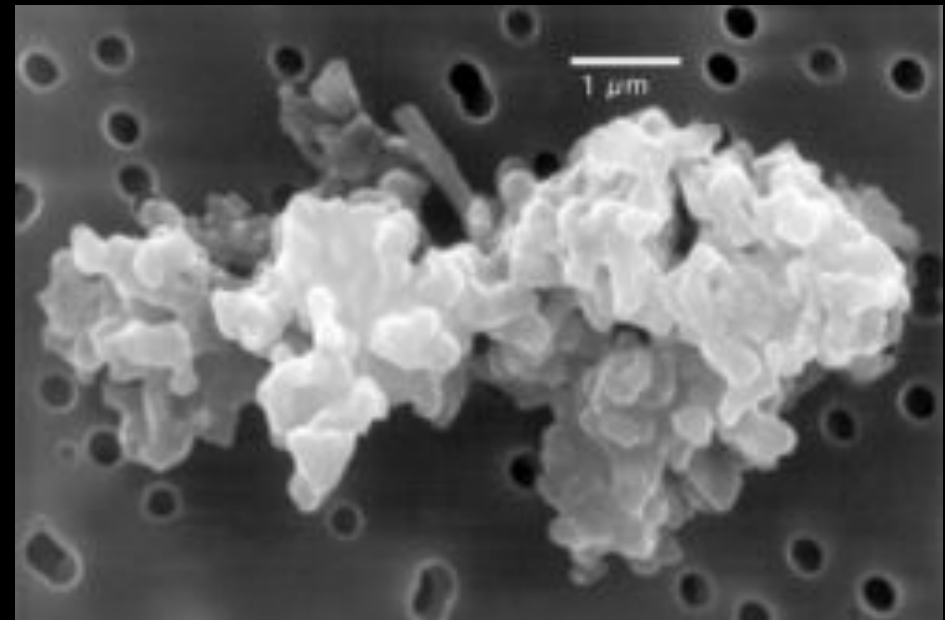
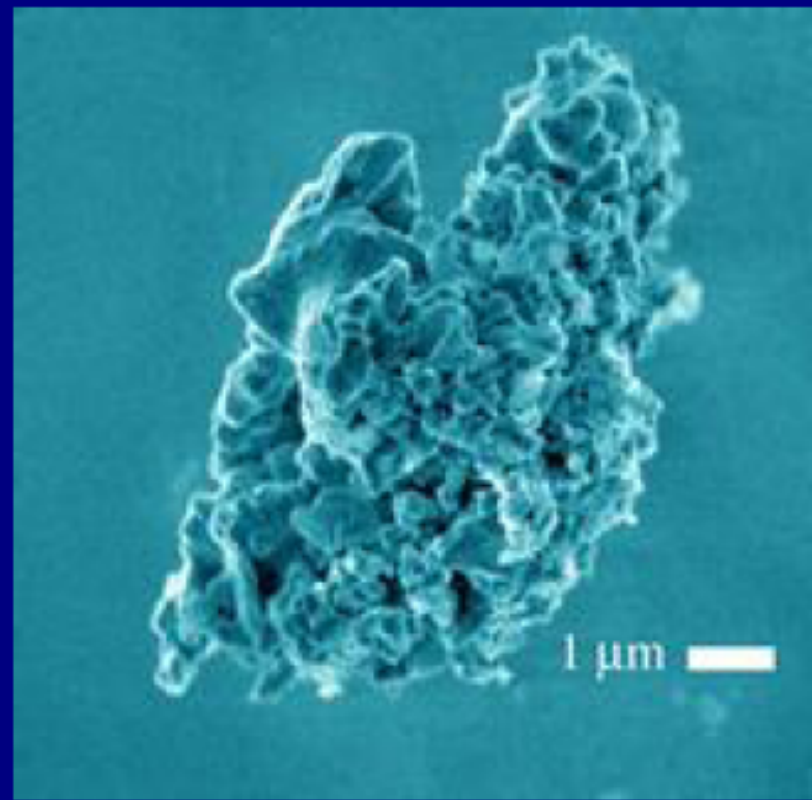
# Giant Molecular Cloud (GMC)

- $T \sim 10\text{-}50\text{ K}$
- $n \sim 10^4 - 10^7\text{ cm}^{-3}$
- Material is mostly molecular.



Enlarged view of the OMC2.

# Analog of interstellar dust grains

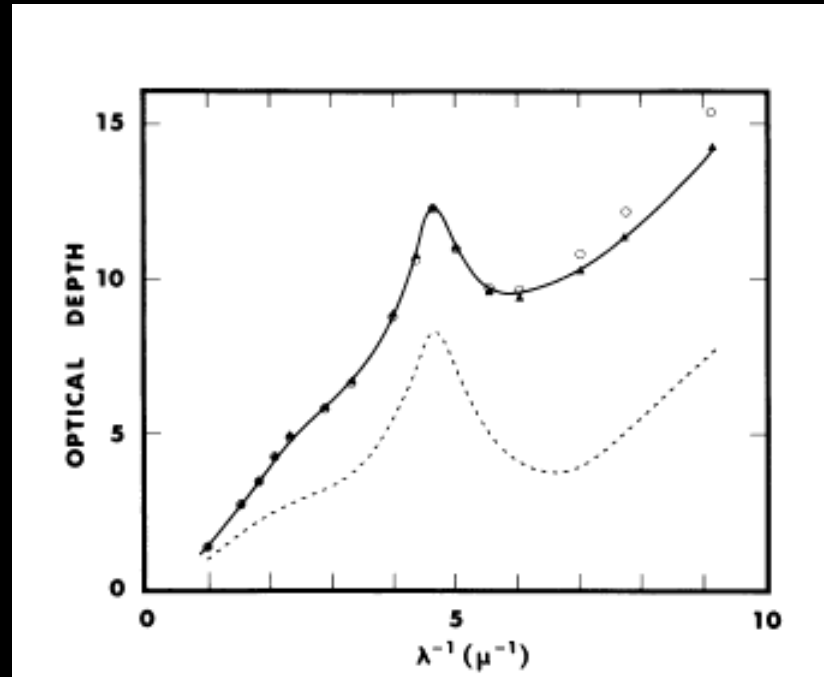


✓ sizes

The blockage is most effective when there is an approximate match of particle size to wavelength.

UV extinction implies small ( $\sim 100$  nm) grains

Visual Extinction implies normal ( $\sim 1000$  nm) grains.



The interstellar extinction curve



# Size Distribution of dust grains

- $n(a)da \sim a^{-3.5}da$
- Mass dust/Mass gas  $\sim 0.01$
- Dense gas - larger grains with icy mantles
- Normal -  $n_d/n \sim 10^{-12}$

Low density

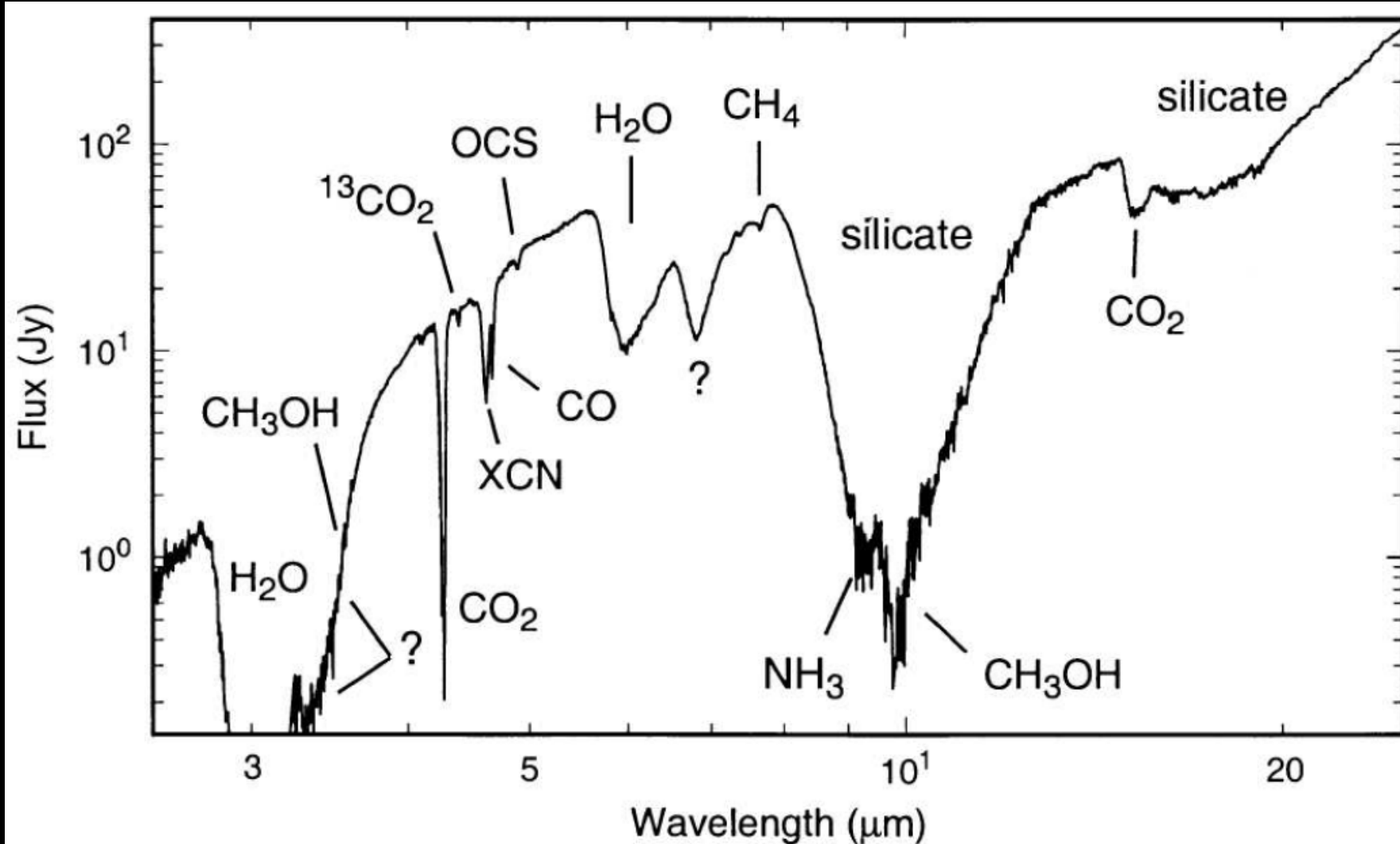
Low temperature

Perhaps not a great place chemistry !!

# Interstellar Organic Molecules

<b>CH+</b>	<b>HCN</b>	H <sub>2</sub> CO	<b>HC<sub>3</sub>N</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	<b>HC<sub>5</sub>N</b>	HCOOCH <sub>3</sub>	<b>HC<sub>7</sub>N</b>
CS	HNC	H <sub>2</sub> CS	HOCHO	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	CH <sub>3</sub> CCH	CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>3</sub> N	<b>HC<sub>9</sub>N</b>
CO	HCO	H <sub>2</sub> CN	CH <sub>2</sub> NH	CH <sub>3</sub> NC	CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	<b>HC<sub>11</sub>N</b>
CN	OCS	HNCO	CH <sub>2</sub> CO	CH <sub>3</sub> SH	CH <sub>3</sub> CHO	CH <sub>2</sub> OHCHO	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CN
C <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>2</sub>	HNCS	NH <sub>2</sub> CN	NH <sub>2</sub> CHO	CH <sub>2</sub> CHCN	H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>4</sub> H
<b>CH</b>	<b>C<sub>2</sub>H</b>	<b>C<sub>3</sub>H</b>	<b>C<sub>4</sub>H</b>	<b>C<sub>5</sub>H</b>	<b>C<sub>6</sub>H</b>		CH <sub>3</sub> C <sub>5</sub> N
<b>CO+</b>	C <sub>3</sub>	<i>c</i> -C <sub>3</sub> H	<i>c</i> -C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>4</sub>	<i>c</i> -C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O		CH <sub>3</sub> OCH <sub>3</sub>
<b>CF+</b>	CO <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>3</sub> N	H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>3</sub>	<b>HC<sub>3</sub>NH+</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> CHOH		C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH
	C <sub>2</sub> O	C <sub>3</sub> O	CH <sub>2</sub> CN				CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>
	C <sub>2</sub> S	C <sub>3</sub> S	HCCNC				OHCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH
	<b>HCO+</b>	CH <sub>3</sub>	HNCCC				NH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> COOH?
	<b>HOC+</b>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	CH <sub>4</sub>				
	<b>HCS+</b>	<b>HOCO+</b>	<b>H<sub>2</sub>COH+</b>				
		<b>HCNH+</b>					

➤ Around 150 molecules detected in various star forming regions



ISO-SWS spectrum of YSO W33A. Various absorption features due to silicate grain cores and icy mantles are shown. *Gibb et al. 1999*

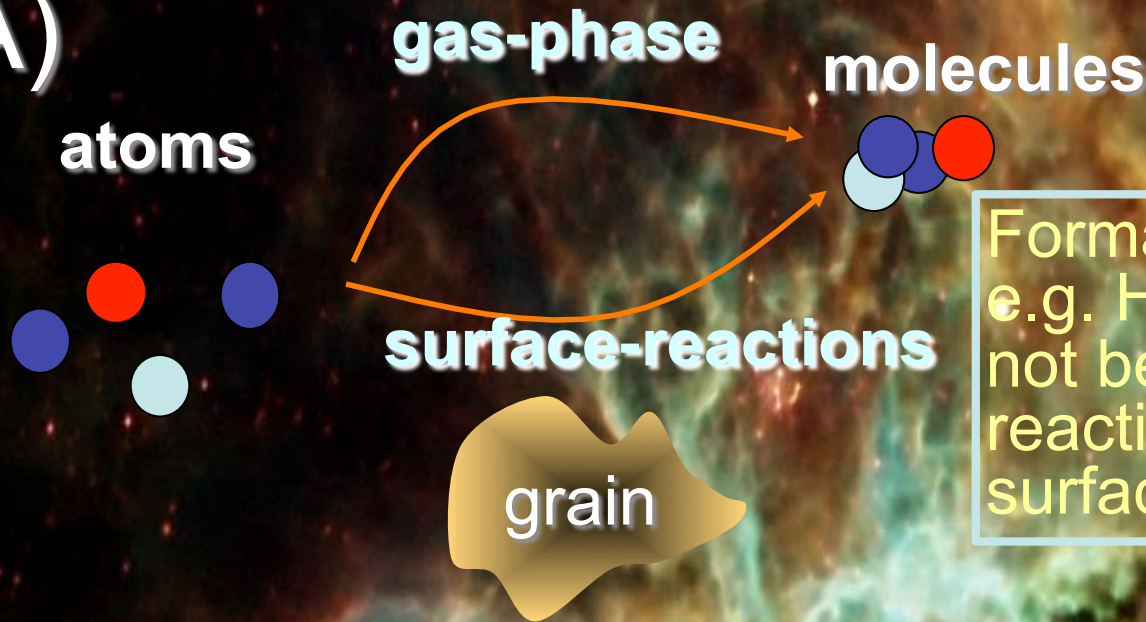
➤ Around 20 species are detected on the interstellar grains.

How these molecules are formed ?

These molecules are formed in both the  
interstellar gas (gas phase chemistry)  
and  
dust grains (surface chemistry).

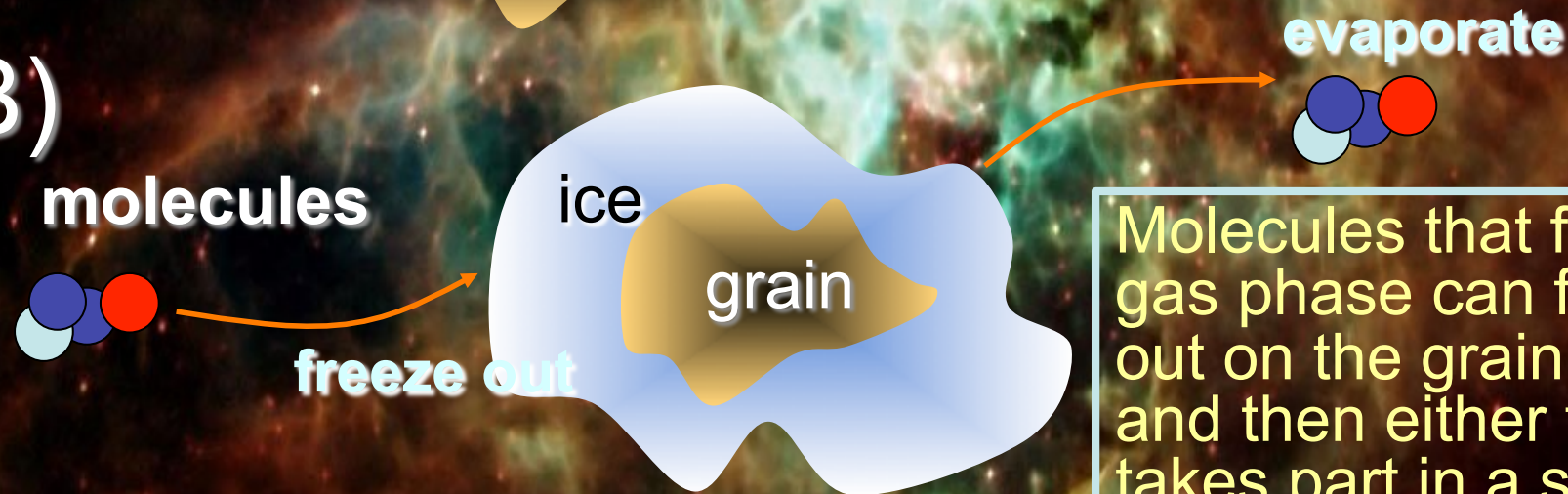
# Gas Grain interaction

A)



Formation of some molecules: e.g.  $\text{H}_2$ , methanol, ethanol can not be explained without reactions on the dust grain surface.

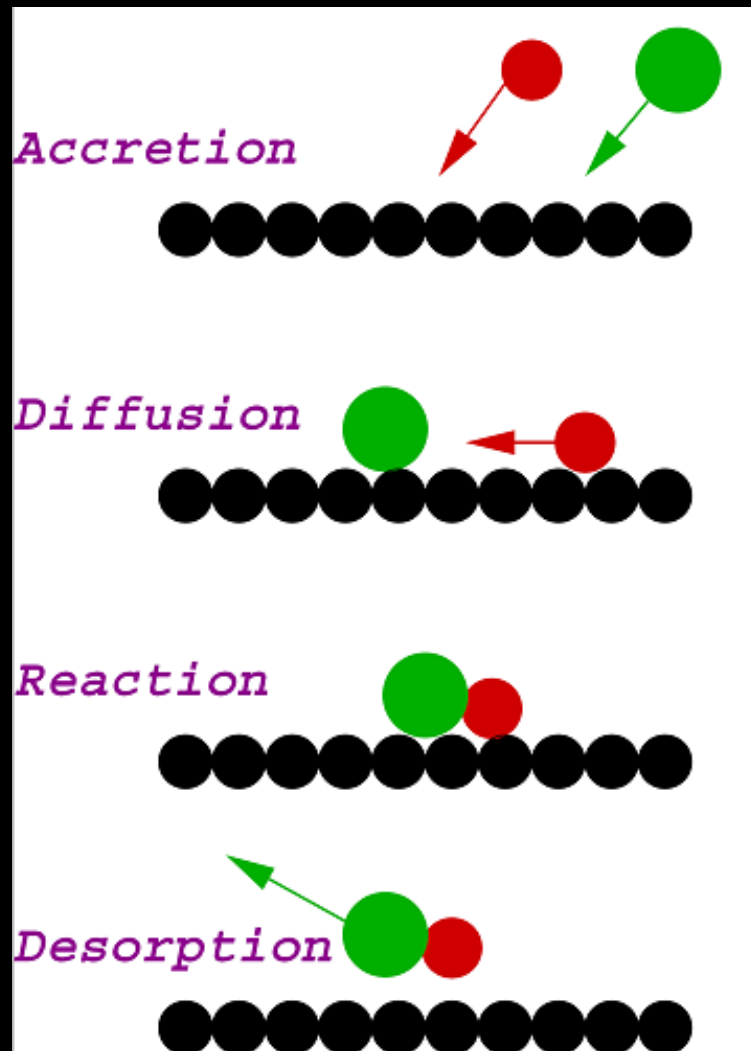
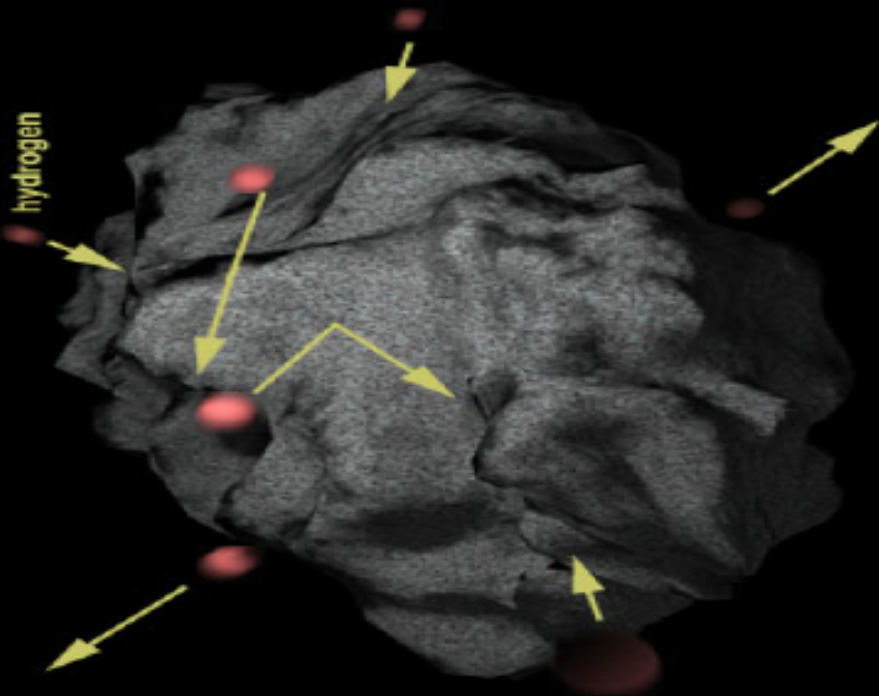
B)



Molecules that forms in gas phase can freeze out on the grain surface and then either they takes part in a surface reaction or evaporates during grain heating.

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Accretion: In this step molecules are accreted on the grain surface. The accretion rate ( $F_h$ ) is given ,

$$F_h = S \pi r^2 v n_x n_d$$

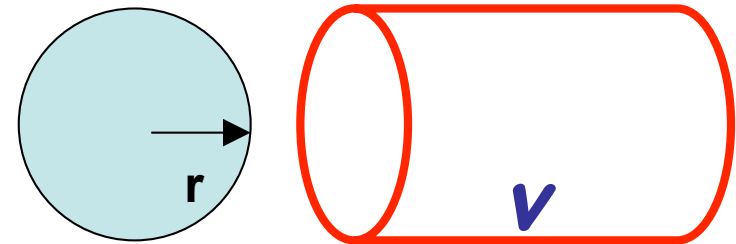
$S$  = sticking co-efficients

$r$  = Radius of the grain,

$v = (8KT/\pi m_x)^{1/2}$  = The thermal velocity,

$n_x$  = the number density of any species 'x' and

$n_d$  = is the grain number density





Second step is the **diffusion**,

Accreted species then diffuse or tunnel through different binding sites. The time scale  $t_{hop}$  for any adsorbed species to migrate from one surface site to an adjacent site via thermal diffusion is,

$$t_{hop} = \nu_0^{-1} \exp(E_b/KT_d),$$

$T_d$  = dust temperature and  $\nu_0 = (2n_s E_d / \pi^2 m_x)^{1/2}$  = is the characteristic frequency for the adsorbed species, for most of the species it is  $\sim 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1}$

$n_s$  = the surface density of sites and. It is  $\sim 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

The diffusion time  $t_{diff}$  required for an adsorbed particles to sweep over a number of sites equivalent to the whole grain surface is,

$$t_{diff} = N_s t_{hop}, \quad N_s \text{ is the total no. of sites of grain}$$

Third step is **surface reaction**,

If surface reaction rate is  $R_{diff}$  is defined as the inverse of the  $t_{diff}$ , the surface reaction rate  $R_{i,j}(s^{-1})$  between surface species  $i$  and  $j$  occurring due to classical diffusion can be expressed as,

$$R_{i,j} = k_{i,j} (R_{diff,i} + R_{diff,j})$$

$k_{i,j}$  is the probability for the reaction to occur upon a encounter. For **exothermic reactions with out activation energy**  $k_{i,j}$  is unity. For reactions with activation energy it could be approximated by the **exponential portion of the quantum mechanical tunnelling** through a rectangular barrier of thickness  $a$ ,

$$k_{i,j} = \exp[-2(a/h)(2\mu E_d)^{1/2}]$$

The fourth and final step is the **desorption**.

Every molecules have their own time period depending on their adsorption energy after that they desorbs from the grain surface.

The **thermal desorption time scale** is given by,

$$t_{desorb} = \nu_0^{-1} \exp(E_d/KT_d)$$

# Grain Surface Time-scales

**Accretion time:**  $t_c = [v_H(\pi r^2 n_d)]^{-1} \sim 10^9/n(\text{cm}^{-3}) \text{ years}$

**Thermal hopping time:**  $t_h = v_0^{-1} \exp(E_b/kT)$

**Tunnelling time:**  $t_t = v_0^{-1} \exp[(4\pi a/h)(2mE_b)^{1/2}]$

**Thermal desorption time** ESAC, MADRID, 5/25/2011 ESAC,  
MADRID, 5/25/2011  $t_{ev} = v_0^{-1} \exp(E_D/kT)$

Here  $E_b \sim 0.3E_D$ , so hopping time < desorption time

For H at 10K,  $E_D = 300\text{K}$ ,  $E_b = 100$ ,  $t_h \sim 7 \times 10^{-9} \text{ s}$ ,  $t_d \sim 500 \text{ s}$

For O and C,  $E_b \sim 240 \text{ K}$   $E_D \sim 800\text{K}$ ,  $t_h \sim 0.025 \text{ s}$ ,  $t_d = 5 \times 10^{22} \text{ s}$

- Accretion time scale is large.
- Hopping time for smaller atoms like H is very small. Therefore, reaction is almost instantaneous if it finds an reactant partner.
- Heavier atoms are immobile.
- Thermal desorption is in-efficient.
- We need some other mode of desorption.

# Non Thermal Desorption

Other than the thermal energy, there are two sources of photons in the interstellar cloud:

- (i) the background radiation field and
- (ii) cosmic ray generated internal photons.

The background field mainly consists of UV and visible photons. They are effective in the diffuse cloud but their role in the dense cloud is very limited and only at large times.

But the cosmic ray generated internal photons can play an affective role in the dense cloud.

These photons can heat up the grain and also can dissociate species on the grain surface.

$$r_{CR,d} = I_0 Y_{pd} (\pi a^2)$$

$$r_{CR,d} = D \nu_0 \left( \frac{a}{0.1 \mu m} \right)^2 \exp(-E_d / K T_c)$$

$$r_{UV,d} = G_0 Y_{pd} (\pi a^2) \exp(-\gamma A_V)$$

Öberg et al., 2009, AA, 296, 2810

Hasegawa & Herbst, 1993, MNRAS, 261, 83

Öberg et al., 2009, AA, 296, 2810

$I_0$  ( $10^4$  photons  $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ) is UV photon flux for typical galactic cosmic ray photons

$Y_{pd}$  is the photo-desorption yield

$D$  ( $3.19 \times 10^{-19}$ ) duty cycles of the grain at elevated temperature.

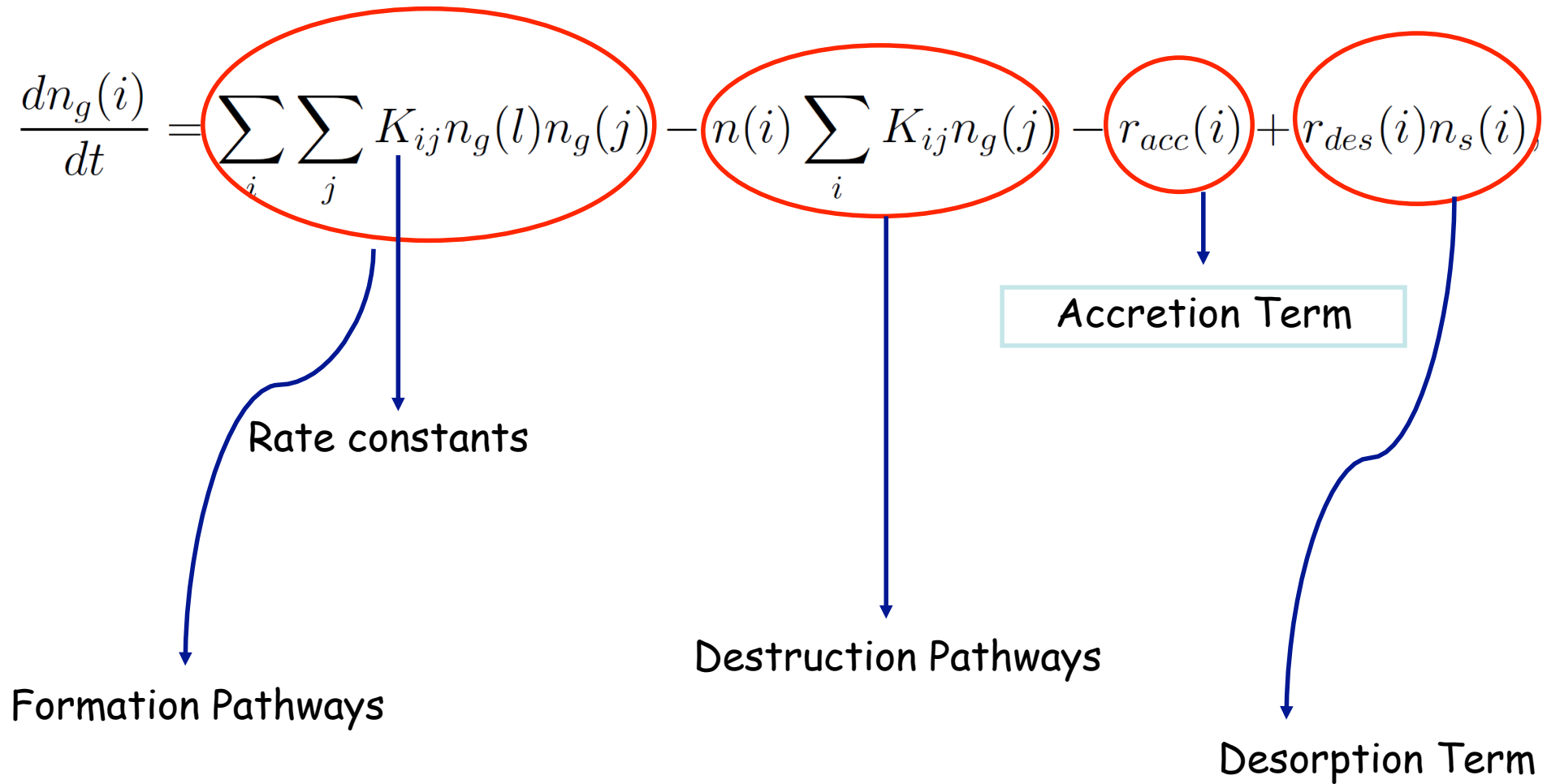
$G_0$  ( $10^8$  photons  $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ) is the un-attenuated photon flux

$T_c$  (70 K) is elevated temperature

$\gamma$  is the measure of UV extinction relative to the visual extinction

$A_V$  (10) is the visual extinction

Around 600 different gas phase species and 8,000 reactions are considered.





# Inputs:

- ✚ Gas Temperature ( $T_g$ ) = 10 K
- ✚ Grain Temperature ( $T_d$ ) = 10 K
- ✚ Visual Extinction Co-efficient ( $A_V$ ) = 10
- ✚ Number Density of total hydrogen ( $n_H$ ) =  $2 \times 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- ✚ Gas phase reaction cross-sections are taken OSU database
- ✚ Initial atomic abundance

Species	H <sub>2</sub>	He	C <sup>+</sup>	N	O	S <sup>+</sup>
$n_i/n_H$	0.5	0.14	7.3(-5)	2.14(-7)	1.76(-4)	8.0(-8)

Species	Na <sup>+</sup>	Mg <sup>+</sup>	Si <sup>+</sup>	P <sup>+</sup>	Cl <sup>+</sup>	Fe <sup>+</sup>
$n_i/n_H$	2.0(-9)	7.0(-9)	8.0(-9)	3.0(-9)	4.0(-9)	3.0(-9)

**A test case : H<sub>2</sub> formation**

# Formation of Molecular Hydrogen

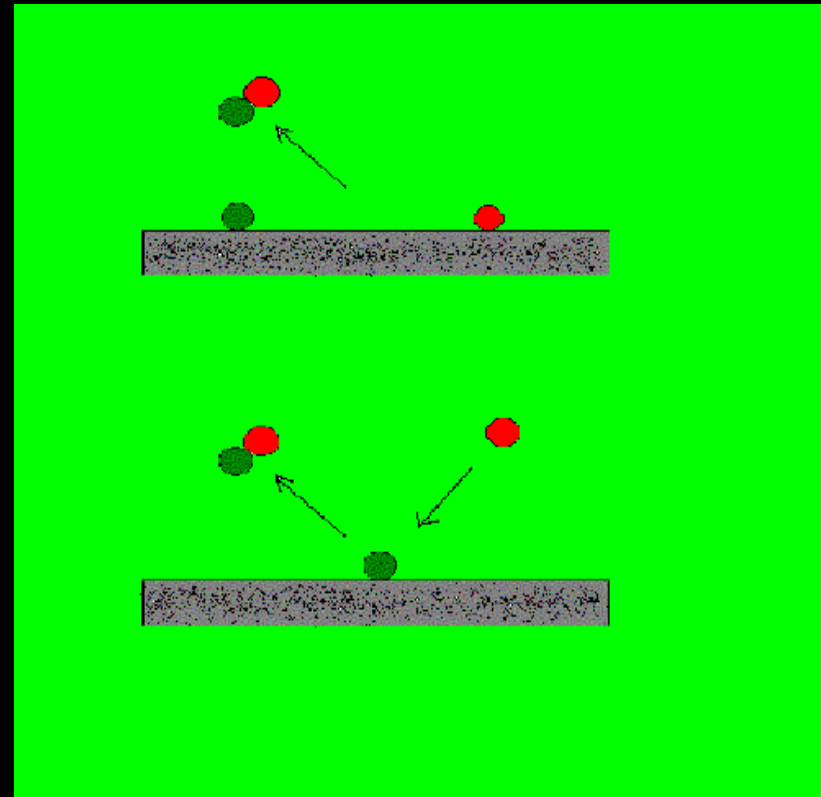
## Gas-Phase formation:



## Grain surface formation:

**Langmuir-Hinshelwood**  
(surface diffusion)

**Eley-Rideal**  
(direct hit)



# Grain Surface Chemistry

## ❖ Deterministic (Rate Coefficient) Approach:

**Basics:** We have to define an effective rate coefficient based on mobility (velocity) and mean free path before interaction (cross-section).

**Technique:** We have to solve the set of coupled ODEs which describe grain surface and gas phase abundances (approximately doubles the no. of ODEs)

**Problem:** Rate equations depend on an average being a physically meaningful quantity – ok for gas but not for grains

4 grains + 2 H atoms – average = 0.5 H atoms per grain

**BUT** reaction cannot occur unless both H atoms are actually on the same grain

# Grain Surface Chemistry

- **Stochastic (Accretion Limit) Approach:**

**Basics:** Reaction on the surface can only occur if a particle arrives while one is already on the surface – the rate of accretion limits chemistry

**Technique:** Monte-Carlo method – attach probabilities to arrival of individual particles and fire randomly at surface according to these probabilities

**Caselli et al. 1998, ApJ, 495, 309**

**Solution?:** We can improve method of calculating surface rate coefficients

**Problem:** Modifications cannot be a priori – you need a MC calculation – and these are ‘impossible’ for large numbers of species

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**Agreement between rate and MC poor for low values of  $n(H)$  – as expected**

# Grain Surface Chemistry

## ❖ Stochastic (Accretion Limit) Approach:

### Solution?: Master Equation

Reaction depends on the probabilities of a particular number of species being on the grains e.g.  $P_H(0)$ ,  $P_H(1)$ ,  $P_H(2)$ , ...  $P_H(N)$ ,  $P_O(0)$ ,  $P_O(1)$ , ...

**Biham et al. 2001, ApJ, 553, 595**

**Green et al. 2001, A&A, 375, 1111**

**Technique:** Integrate the rates of change of probabilities, eg  $dP_H(i)/dt$

**Problem:** Formally, one has to integrate an infinite number of equations

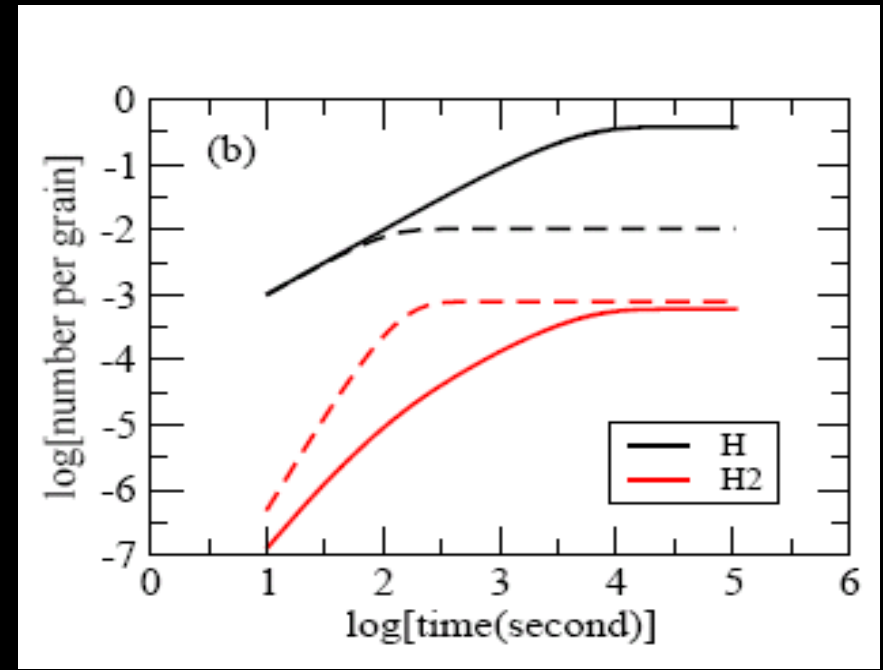
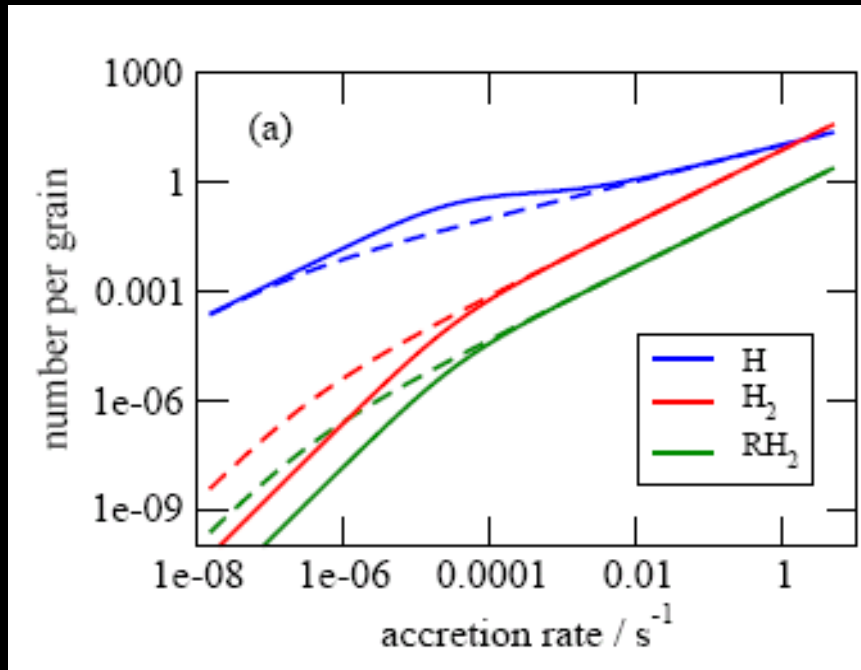
### For a system of H only:

$$\begin{aligned} dP(i)/dt = & k_{fr}[P(i-1) - P(i)] \\ & + k_{ev}[(i+1)P(i+1) - iP(i)] \\ & + 0.5k_{HH}[(i+2)(i+1)P(i+2) \\ & - i(i-1)P(i)] \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i = 0$  to infinity

**For larger systems, eg O, OH, H<sub>2</sub>O, H, H<sub>2</sub>, the ODEs get very complex – even the steady state solution is difficult to solve**

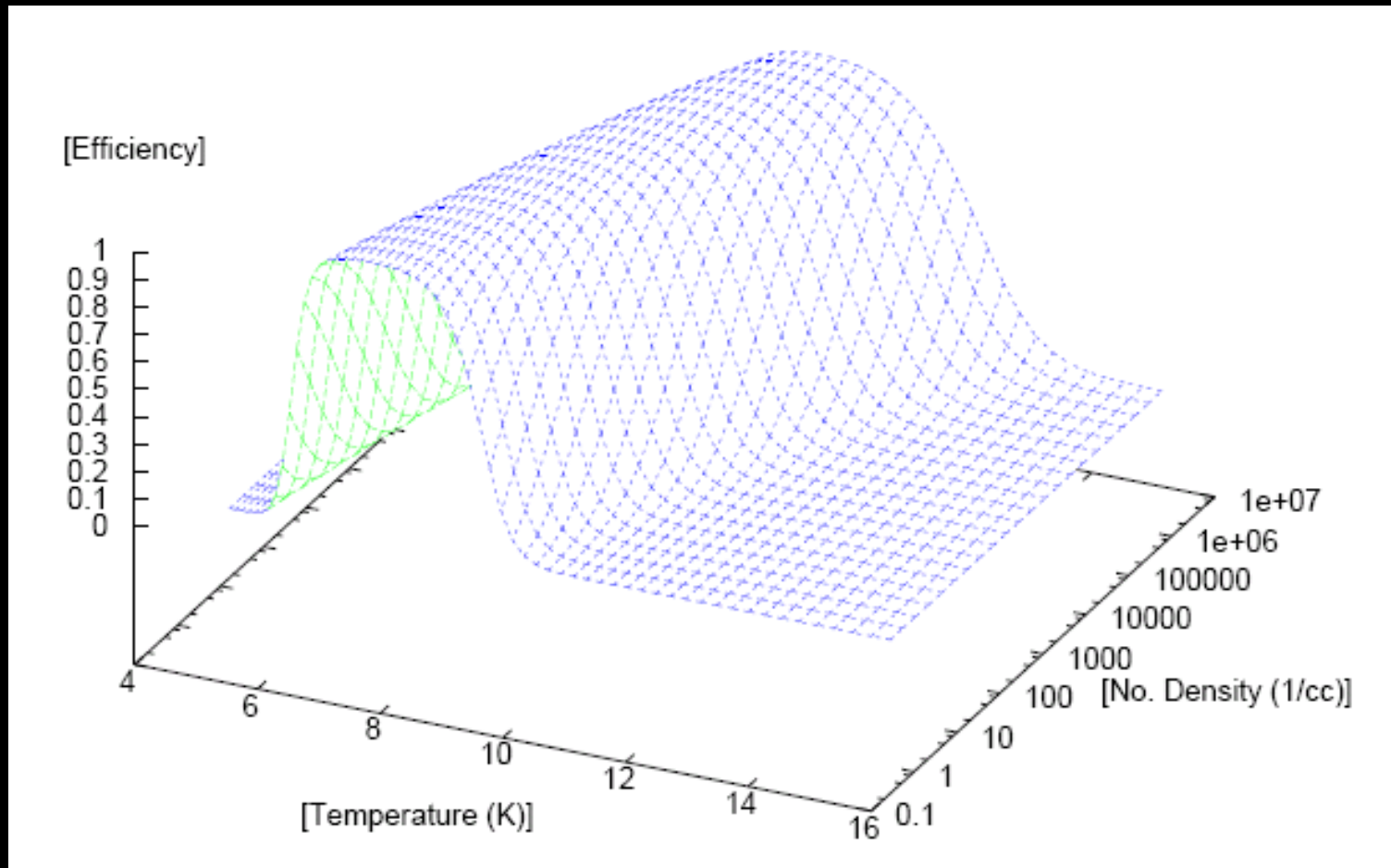
# H<sub>2</sub> on Grains



Variation of saturation values of the number of H, H<sub>2</sub> and recombination rate (RH<sub>2</sub>). Rate equation results are shown dotted lines and master equation results are shown in solid line.

Time evolution of H and H<sub>2</sub> numbers on a grain with both rate (dashed) and master (master) equation method.

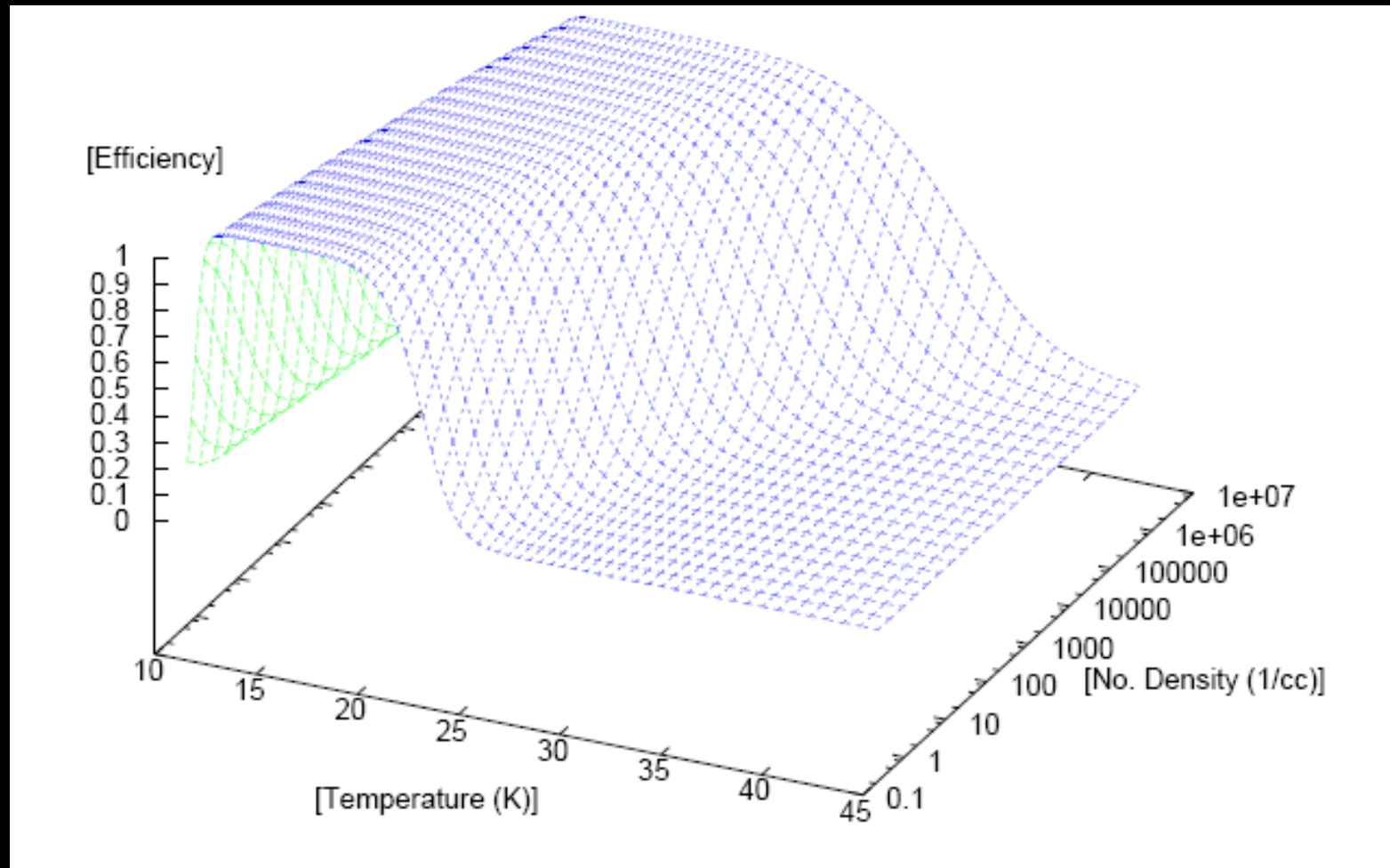
# Olivine Grains



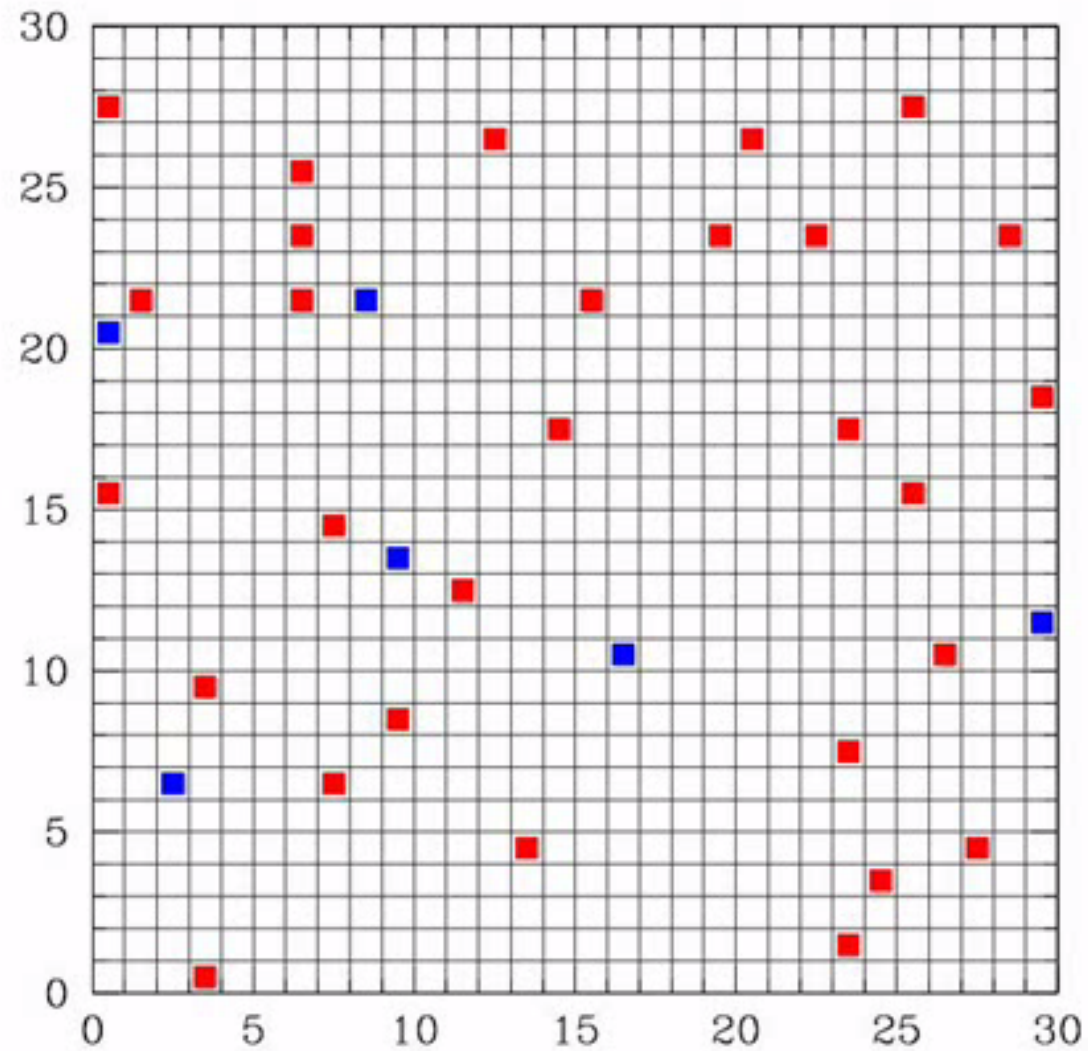
Recombination efficiency ( $\eta$ ) of  $H_2$  as a function of the grain temperature and the number density  $n_n$  in the ambient gas of  $T_{\text{gas}} = 90$  K



# Carbonaceous Grains

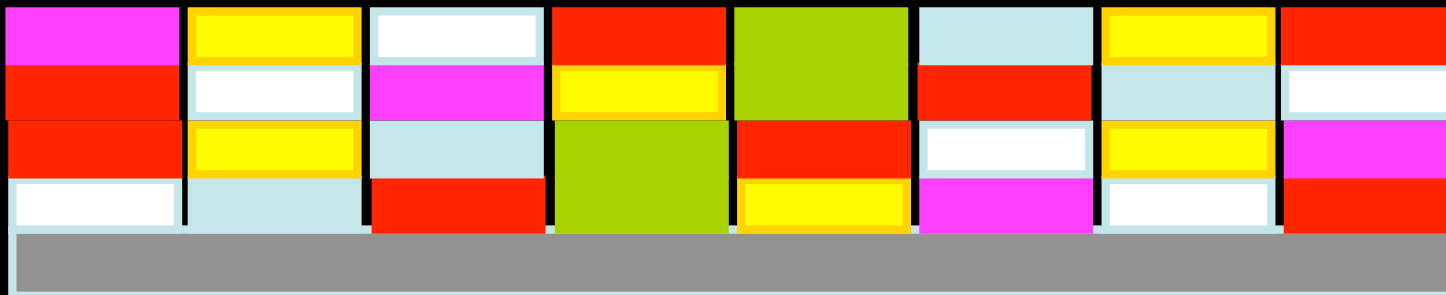


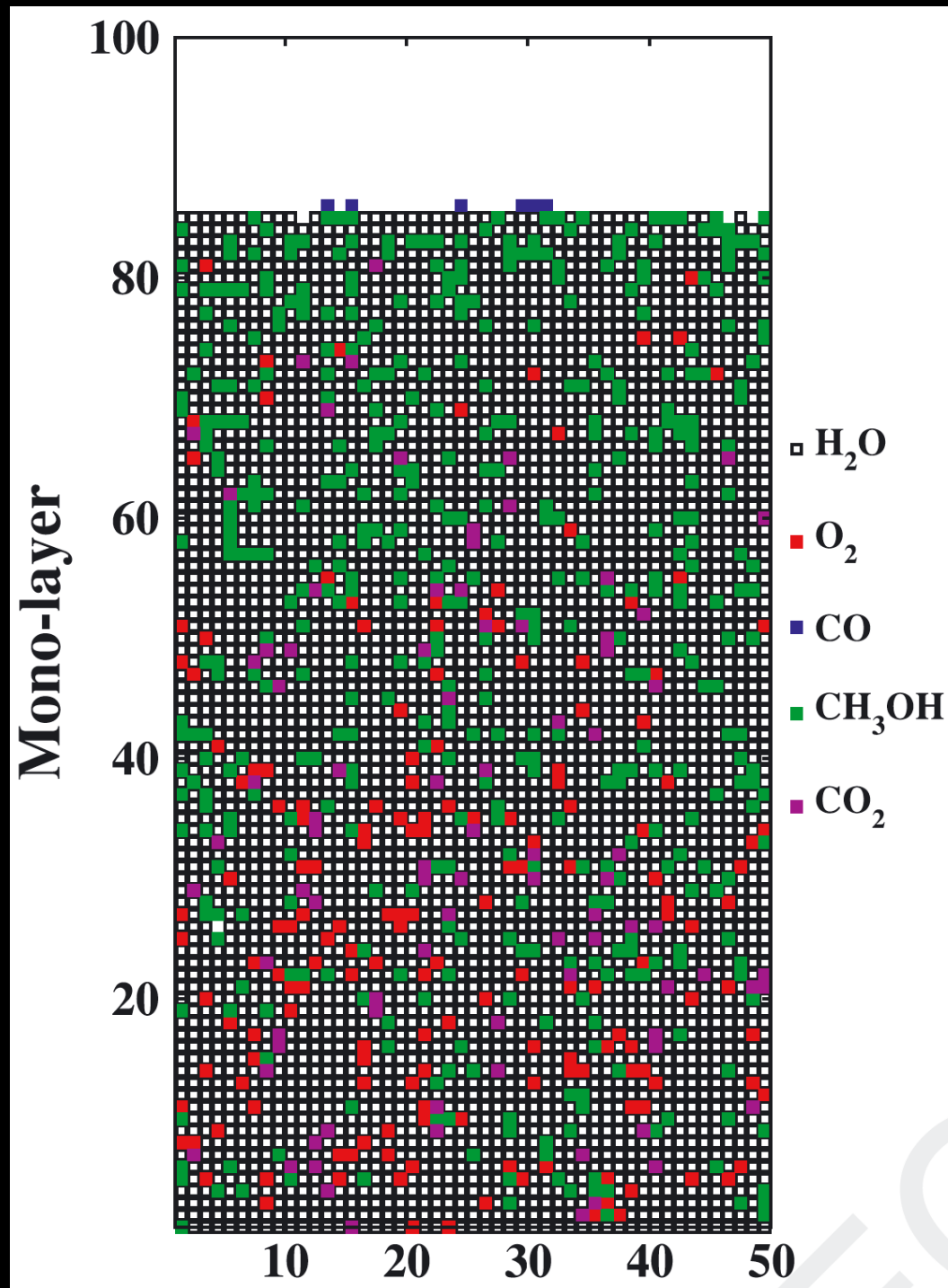
Recombination efficiency ( $\eta$ ) of  $\text{H}_2$  as a function of the grain temperature and the number density  $n_h$  in the ambient gas of  $T_{\text{gas}} = 90 \text{ K}$

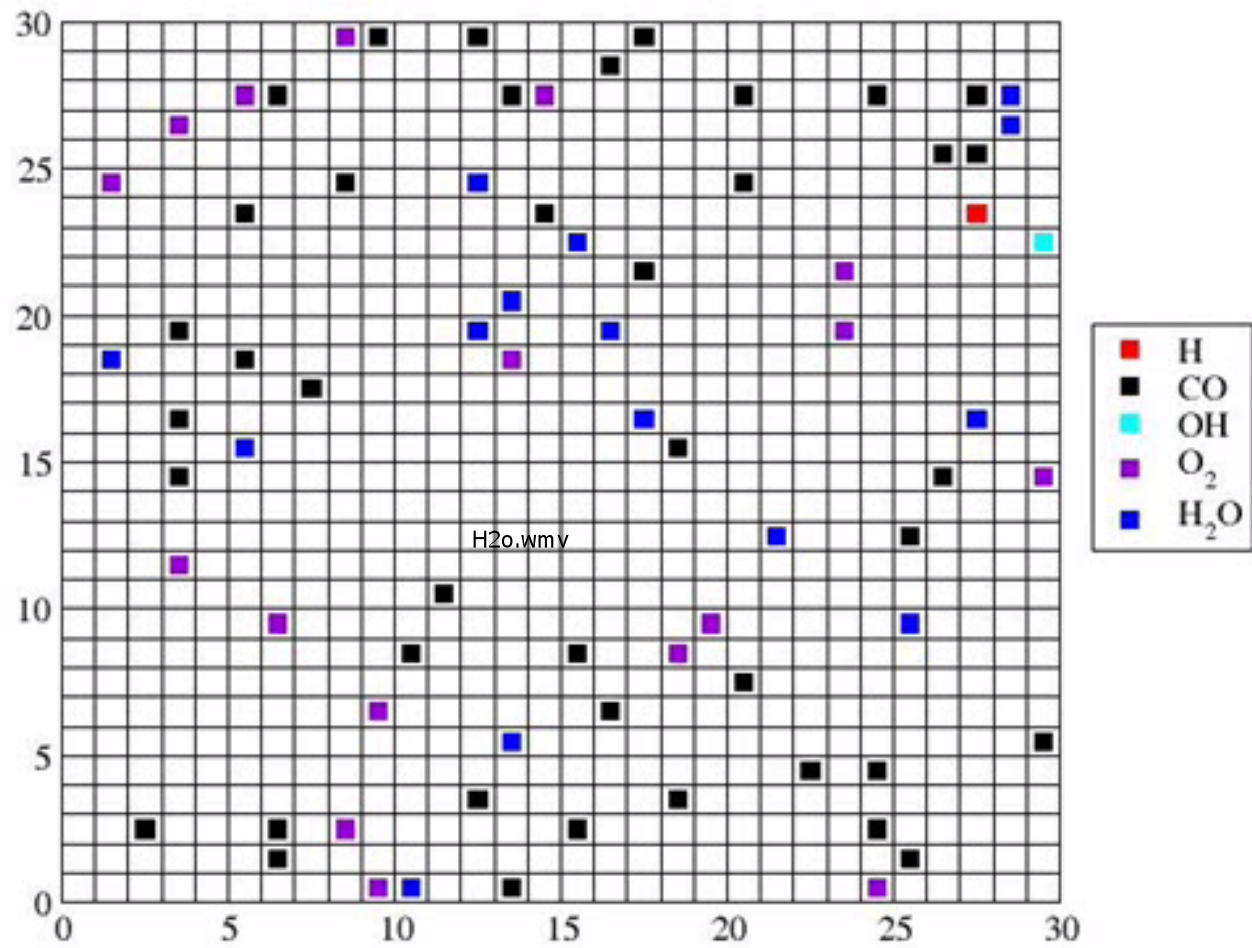


Water, Methanol in star forming  
regions

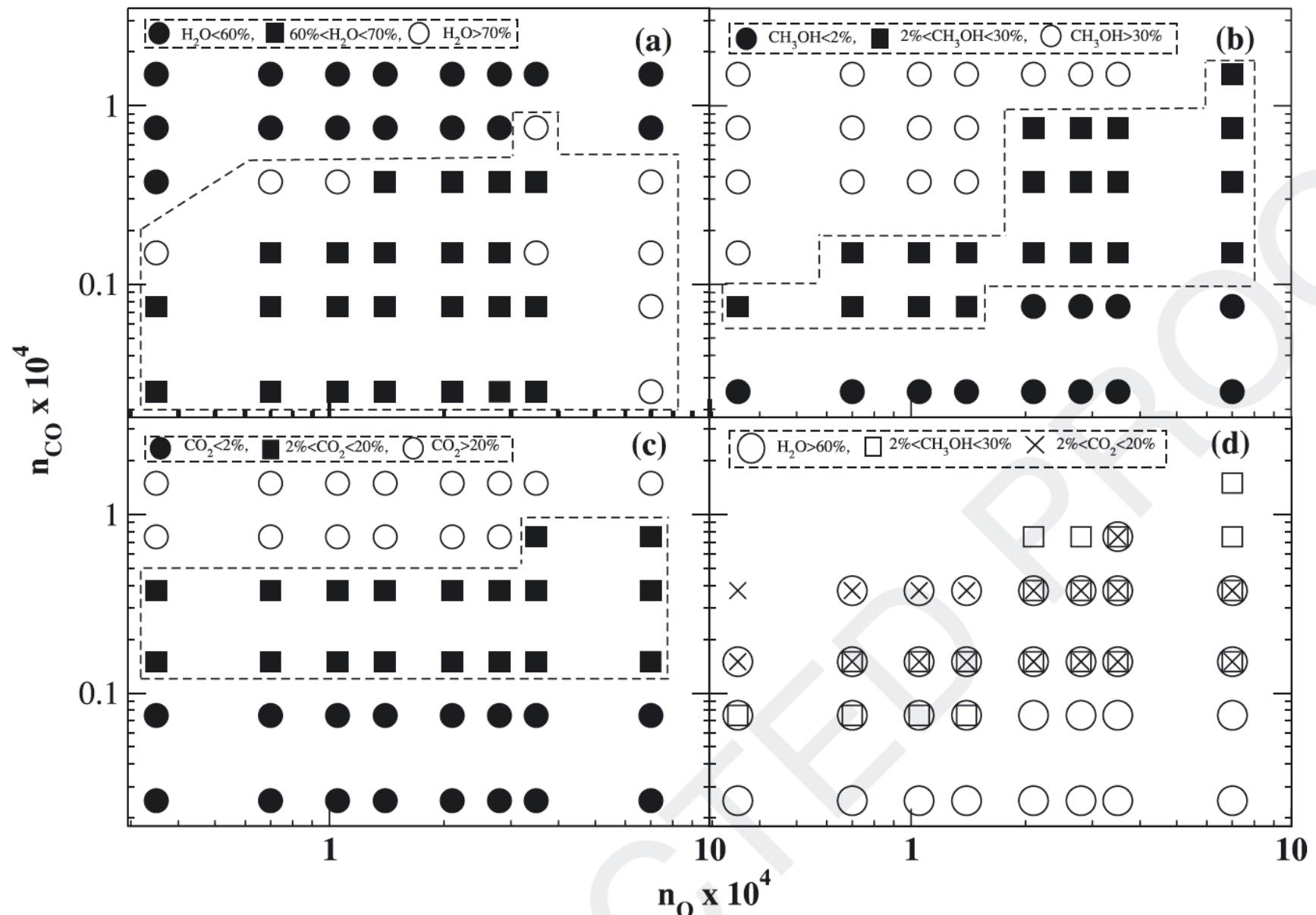
1. We concentrated on **water, methanol and carbon dioxide**, because it constitutes nearly 90 per cent of the grain mantle.
2. How the final production of these molecules depend on the relative gas-phase abundances of oxygen (**O**) and carbon monoxide (**CO**).
3. We constrained the relevant parameter space that reproduces these molecules close to the observed abundances.
4. We have considered accretion of only H, O and CO on the grains and used the Monte Carlo method.
5. We allow the formation of multi-layers on the grains and incorporate the freeze-out effects of accreting O and CO.







Initial gas-phase oxygen	Species	Initial gas-phase CO = 7.5(-5)	Initial gas-phase CO = 3.75(-5)	Initial gas-phase CO = 1.5(-5)
7.0(-5)	H <sub>2</sub> O	100 [5.3(-5)]	100 [6(-5)]	100 [6.4(-5)]
	CO	3 [1.6(-6)]	1 [6.1(-7)]	0.5 [2.9(-7)]
	H <sub>2</sub> CO	0.2 [8.8(-8)]	0.05 [3(-8)]	0.02 [1.1(-8)]
	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	116 [6.1(-5)]	52.3 [3.2(-5)]	20 [1.3(-5)]
	CO <sub>2</sub>	22.7 [1.2(-5)]	8.6 [5.2(-6)]	2.8 [1.8(-6)]
	O <sub>2</sub>	5 [2.6(-6)]	3.6 [2.2(-6)]	3 [2(-6)]
1.05(-4)	H <sub>2</sub> O	100 [7.5(-5)]	100 [8.8(-5)]	100 [9.4(-5)]
	CO	0.8 [5.8(-7)]	0.4 [3.7(-7)]	0.3 [2.4(-7)]
	H <sub>2</sub> CO	0.05 [4(-8)]	0.01 [1.2(-8)]	0.01 [7(-9)]
	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	70.3 [5.3(-5)]	33.4 [2.9(-5)]	13 [1.2(-5)]
	CO <sub>2</sub>	20.7 [1.5(-5)]	7.8 [6.8(-6)]	2.5 [2.4(-6)]
	O <sub>2</sub>	7 [5.3(-6)]	5.4 [4.7(-6)]	4.6 [4.4(-6)]
3.5(-4)	H <sub>2</sub> O	100 [2.1(-4)]	100 [2.3(-4)]	100 [2.1(-4)]
	CO	0.1 [2.1(-7)]	0.02 [4.5(-8)]	0.02 [3.5(-8)]
	H <sub>2</sub> CO	0.01 [1.9(-8)]	0.0 [4.8(-9)]	0.0 [1.6(-9)]
	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	19.4 [4.1(-5)]	9.5 [2.2(-5)]	3.3 [6.8(-6)]
	CO <sub>2</sub>	14.3 [3(-5)]	6.2 [1.4(-5)]	2.5 [5.2(-6)]
	O <sub>2</sub>	24.2 [5.1(-5)]	21.7 [5(-5)]	23.7 [4.9(-5)]
7.0(-4)	H <sub>2</sub> O	100 [2.4(-4)]	100 [3.4(-4)]	100 [3.6(-4)]
	CO	0.03 [8.4(-8)]	0.02 [6.5(-8)]	0.00 [3.7(-8)]
	H <sub>2</sub> CO	0.00 [1.2(-8)]	0.00 [4.8(-9)]	0.00 [1.1(-9)]
	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	8.5 [2.2(-5)]	4.9 [1.7(-5)]	2 [7.1(-6)]
	CO <sub>2</sub>	15 [3.8(-5)]	5.7 [2(-5)]	2.1 [7.6(-6)]
	O <sub>2</sub>	63 [1.6(-4)]	48.6 [1.7(-4)]	46.8 [1.7(-4)]



The parameter space in which the formation of water, methanol and CO<sub>2</sub> is studied. The regions in which these molecules are produced within the observed limits (favourable zones) are marked on the parameter space. (d) The favourable zone is the common zone when (a–c) are superimposed.



1. When the number density of accreting O is less than three times that of CO, methanol is always overproduced.
2. Using the available reaction pathways it appears to be difficult to match the exact observed abundances of all three molecules simultaneously.
3. Only in a narrow region of parameter space are all three molecules produced within the observed limits.
4. Furthermore, we found that the incorporation of the freeze-outs of O and CO leads to an almost steady state on the grain surface. The mantle thickness grows anywhere between 60 and 500 layers in a period of two million years.

Effect of size distribution and grain growth

More complex chemistry

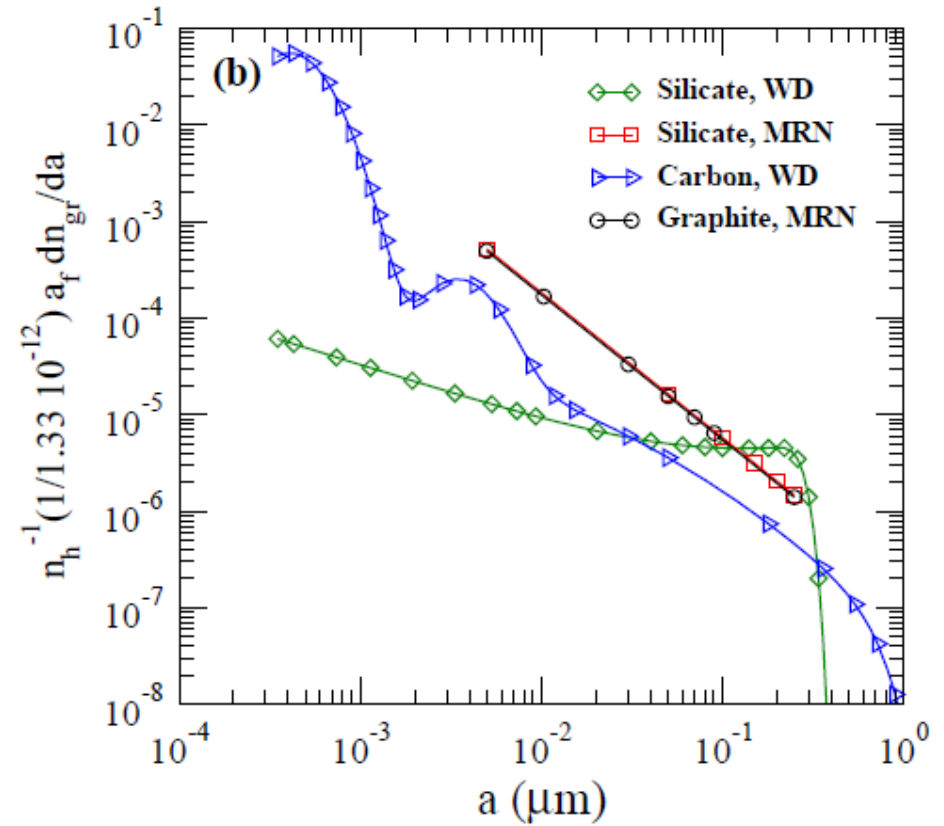
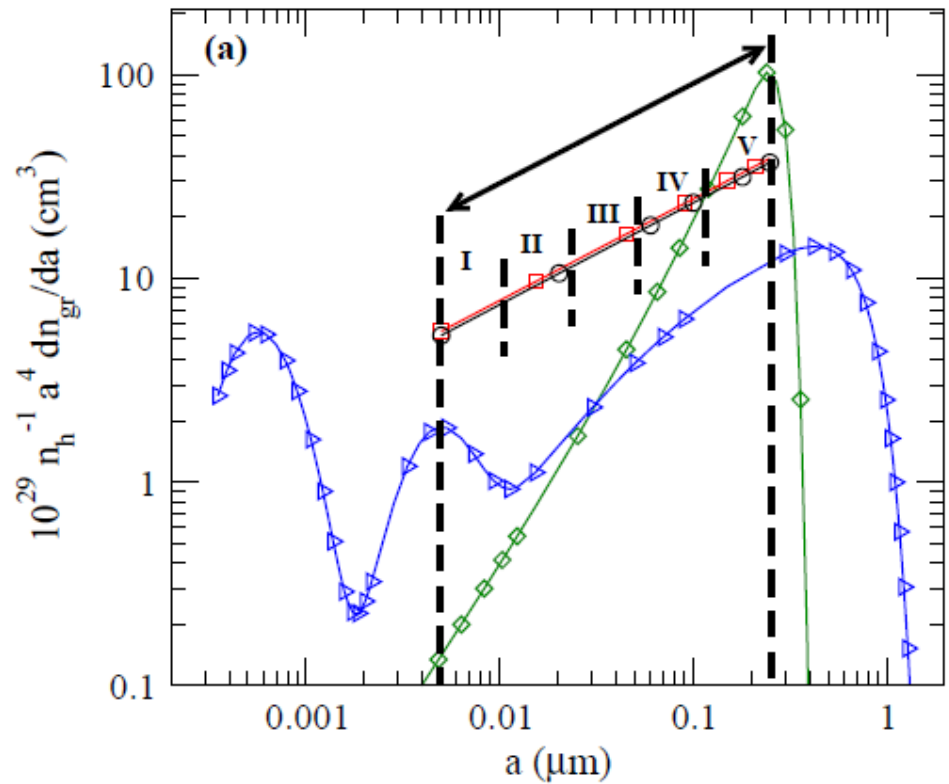
# Grain Size Distributions

## 1. MRN Size Distribution:

$$dn_{\text{gr}} = C n_{\text{H}} a^{-3.5} da, \quad a_{\text{min}} < a < a_{\text{max}}$$

where,  $n_{\text{H}}$  is the number density of hydrogen in all form,  $a$  is the grain-radius in  $\text{cm}$ . This relation is valid between the minimum and the maximum size of the grains  $a_{\text{min}} = 50 \text{ \AA}$  and  $a_{\text{max}} = 0.25 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ . The grain constant ( $C$ ), is given by  $10^{-25.13}$  ( $10^{-25.13}$ )  $\text{cm}^{2.5}$  for graphite (silicate).

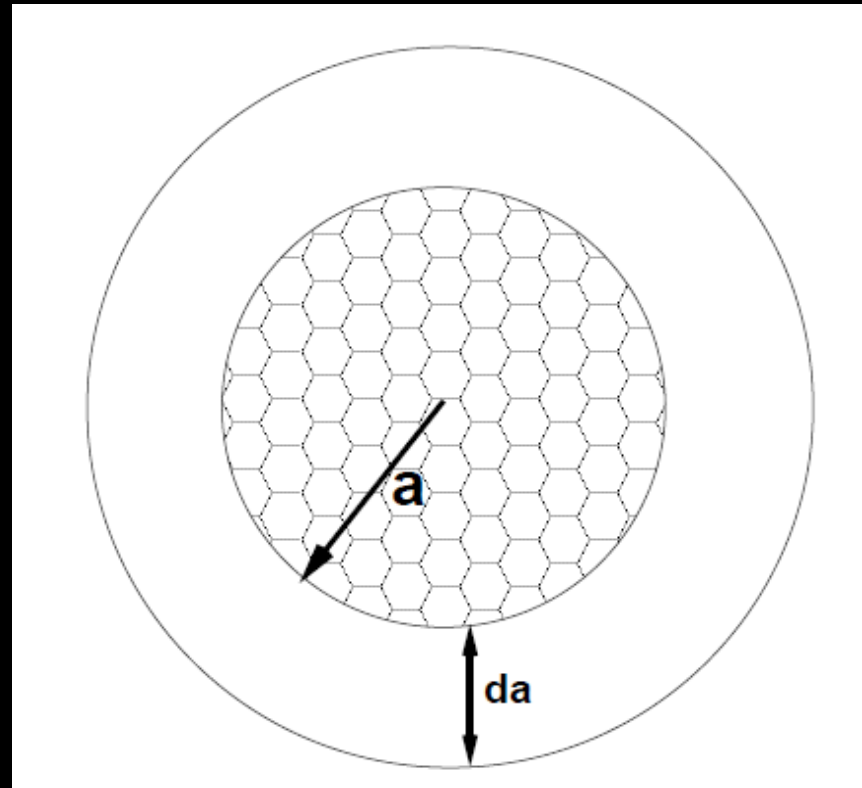
## 2. WD Size Distribution



Radius ( $\mu\text{m}$ )		
$a_{min}$	$a_{max}$	$a_{avg}$
0.005	0.011	0.0080
0.011	0.024	0.0175
0.024	0.052	0.0380
0.052	0.114	0.0833
0.114	0.250	0.1820

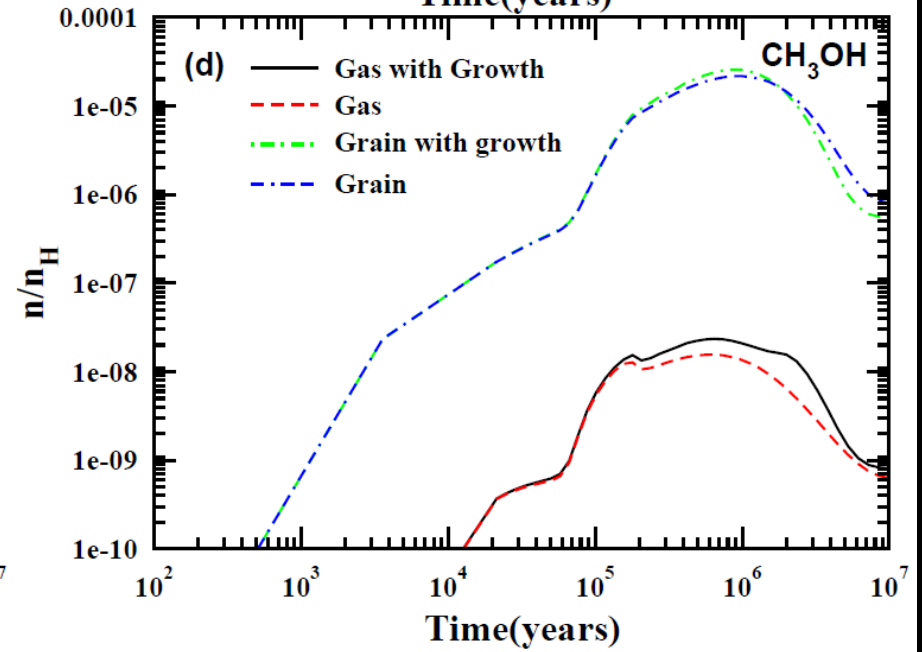
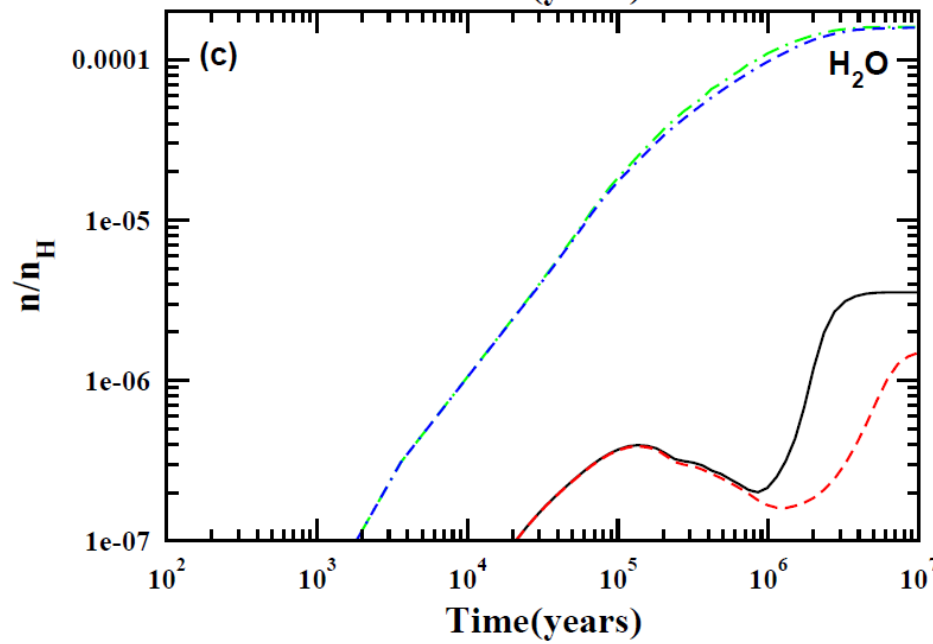
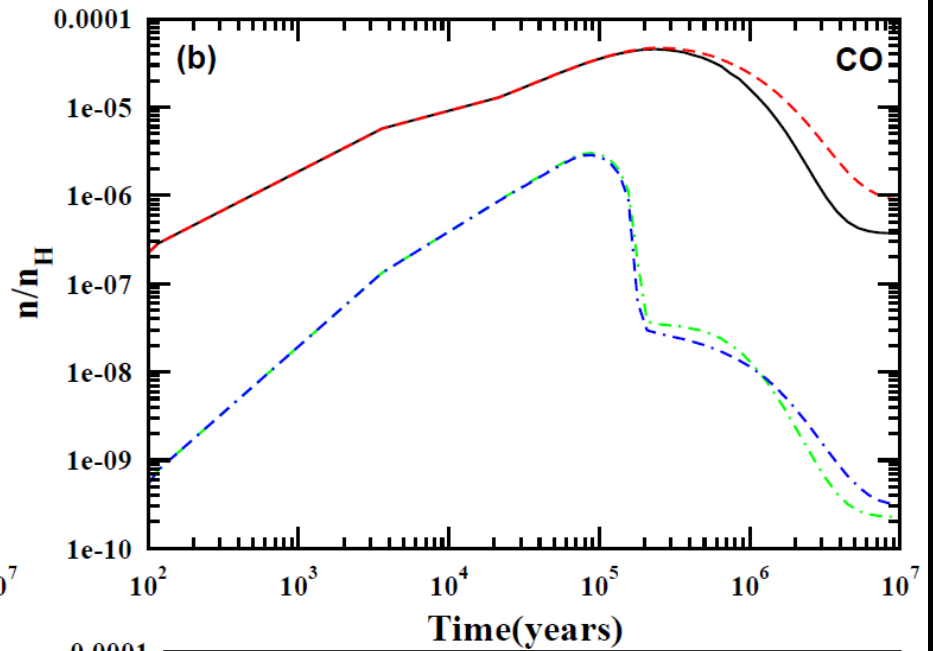
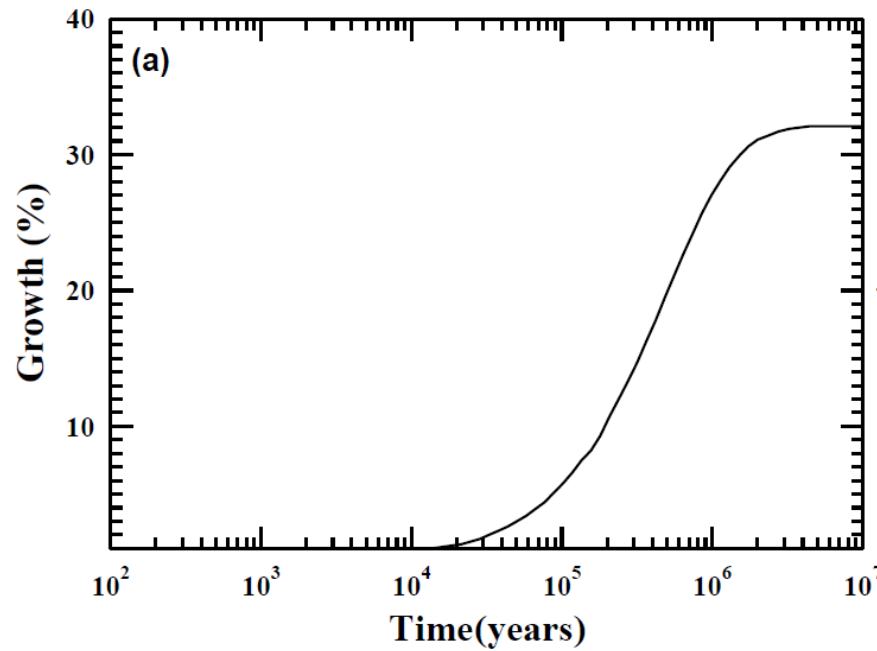
To simplify the computation, we assumed that only five types of grains exist. Their number densities are estimated self-consistently from the area under the curve given by the MRN and WD distribution

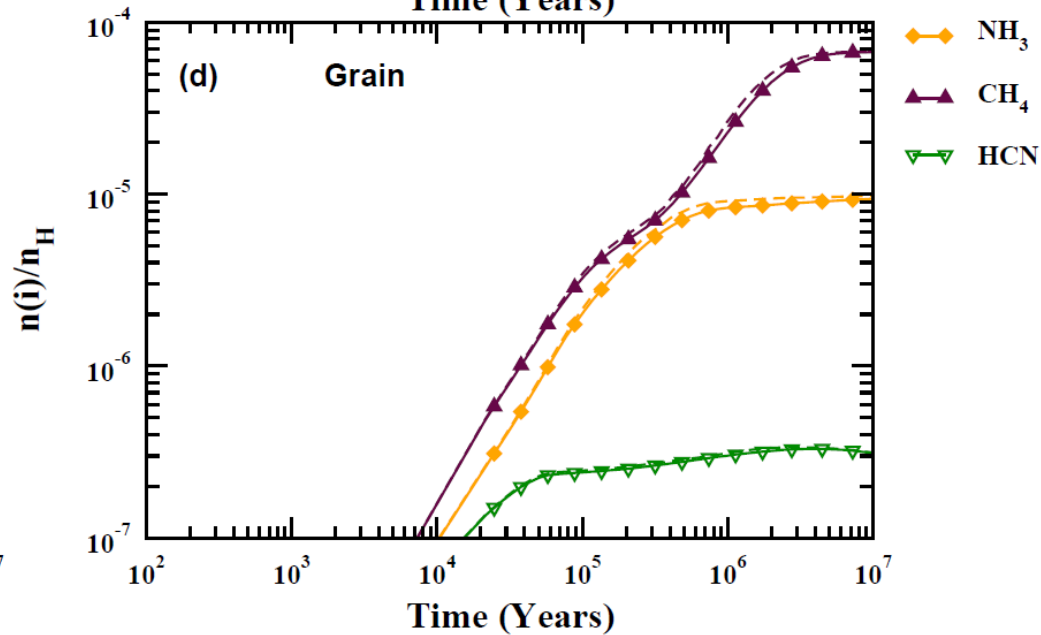
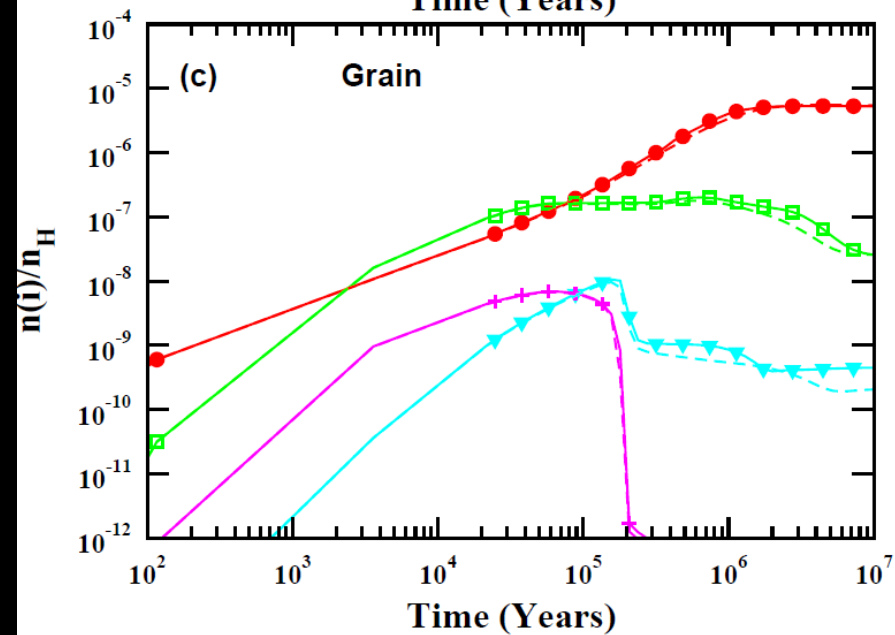
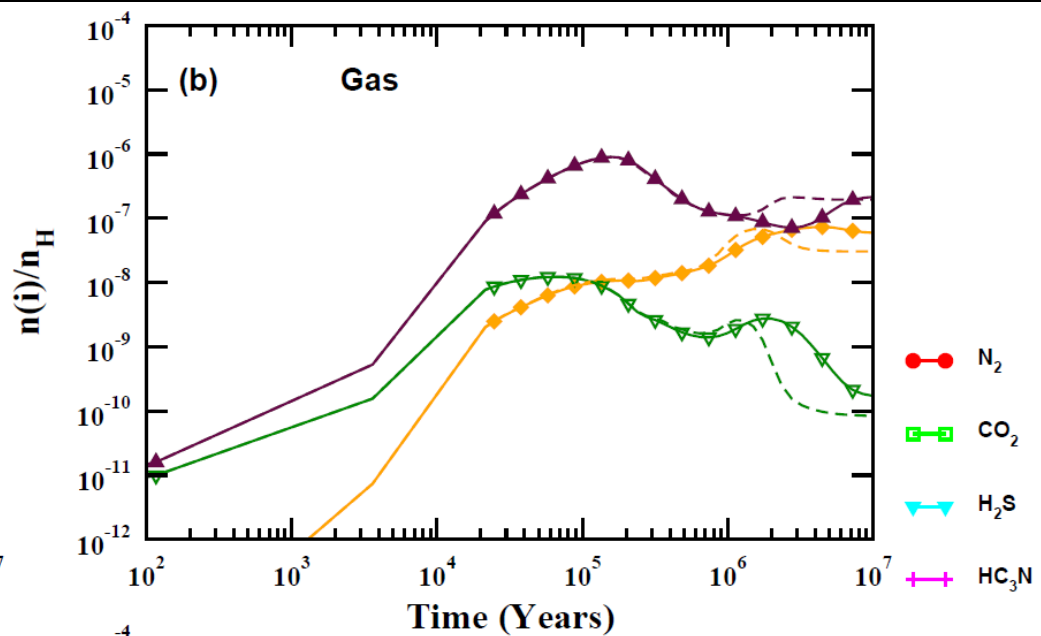
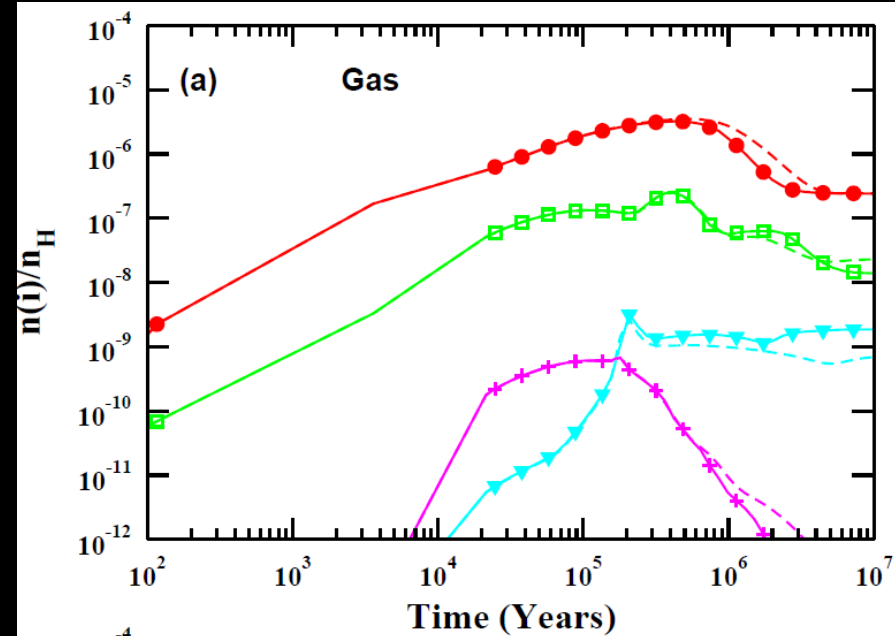
Radius $\mu\text{m}$	Number density $\text{cm}^{-3}$	Effective area
0.0080	1.51E-10	3.01E-22
0.0175	2.13E-11	2.03E-22
0.0380	3.02E-12	1.38E-22
0.0833	4.27E-13	9.31E-23
0.1820	6.03E-14	6.27E-23
MRN	Total	7.97E-22
0.0080	3.82E-11	7.62E-23
0.0175	2.49E-12	2.37E-23
0.0380	5.29E-13	2.41E-23
0.0833	1.05E-13	2.29E-23
0.1820	1.81E-14	1.88E-23
WDc	Total	1.66E-22
0.0080	5.14E-12	1.03E-23
0.0175	1.61E-12	1.53E-23
0.0380	5.42E-13	2.47E-23
0.0833	2.06E-13	4.49E-23
0.1820	9.00E-14	9.37E-23
WDs	Total	1.89E-22
Classical		
1.00E-05	1.33E-12	4.18E-22



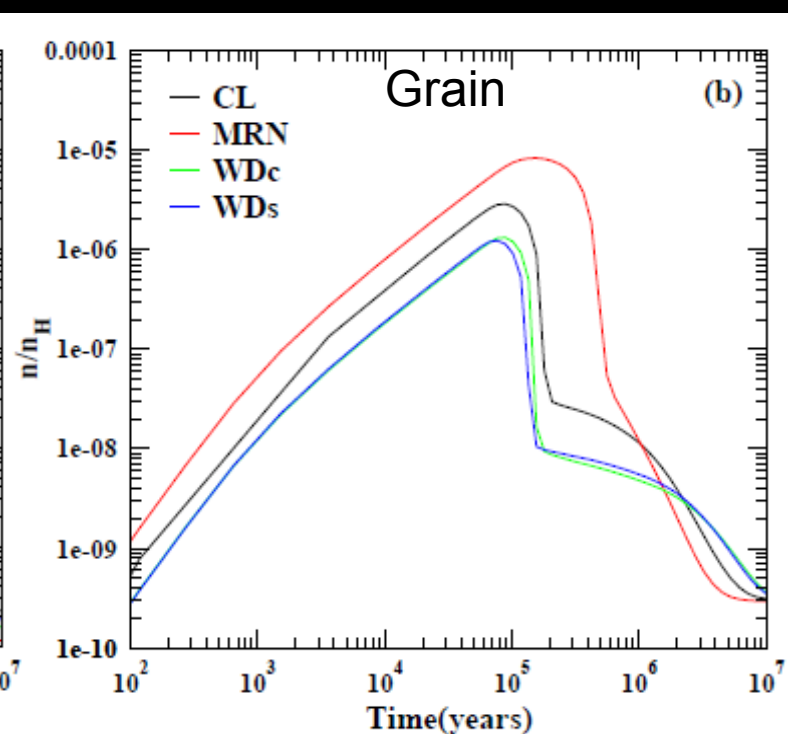
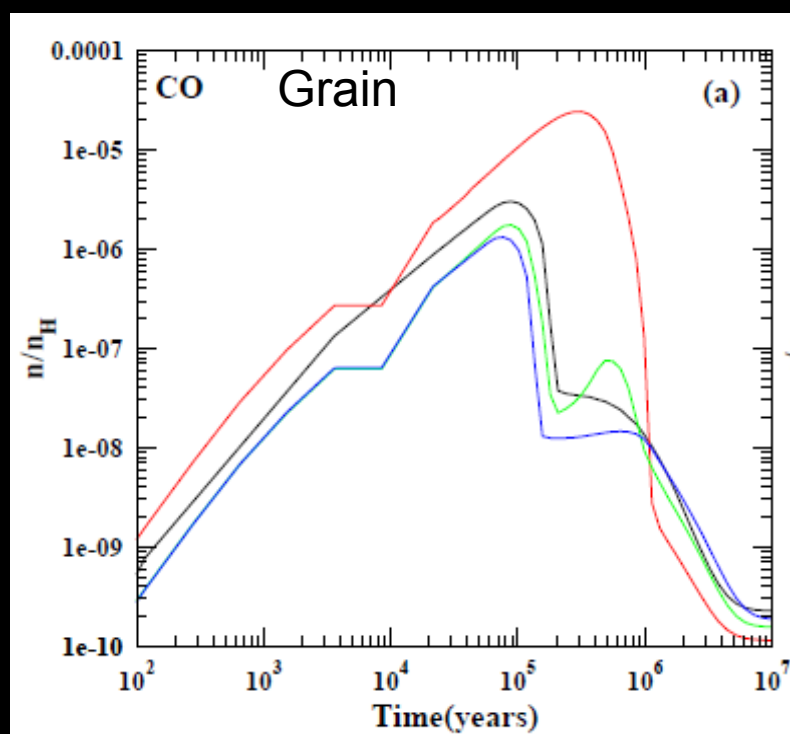
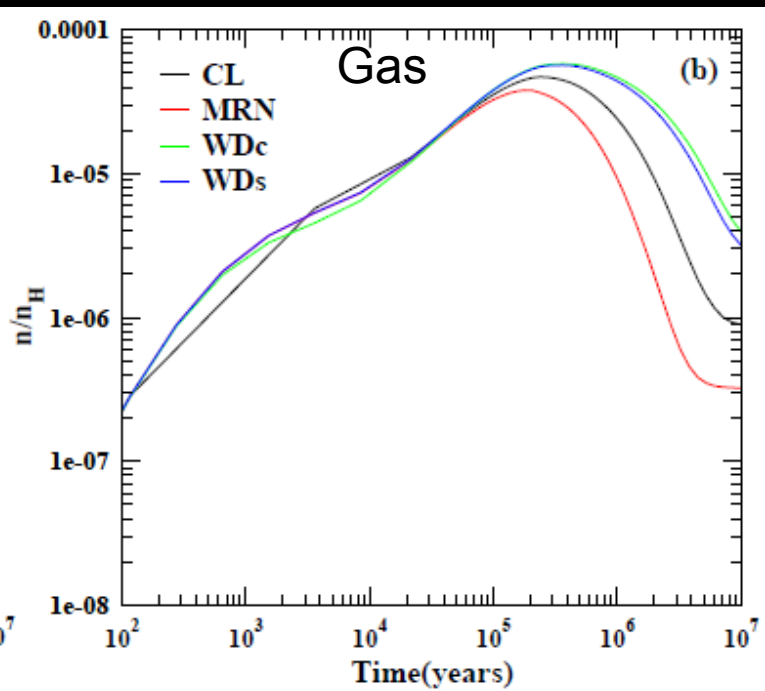
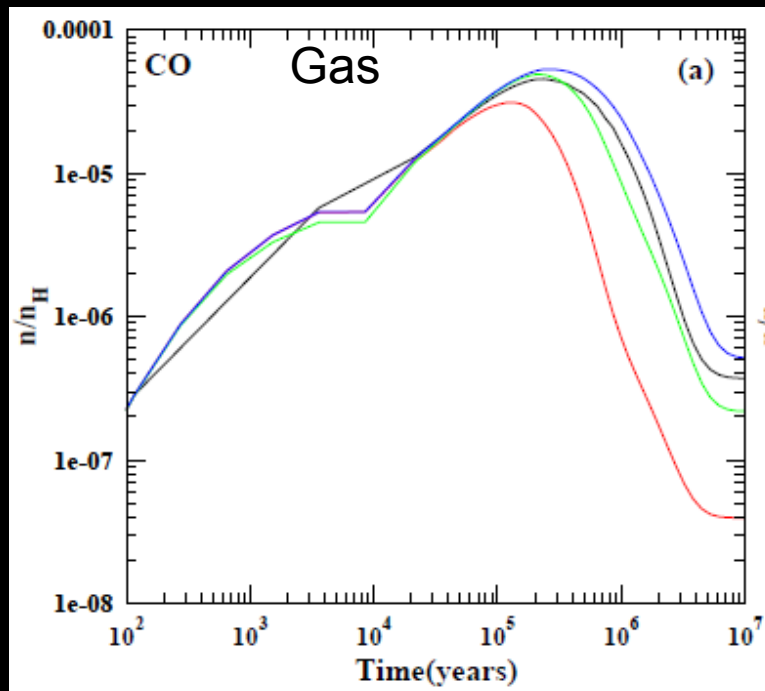
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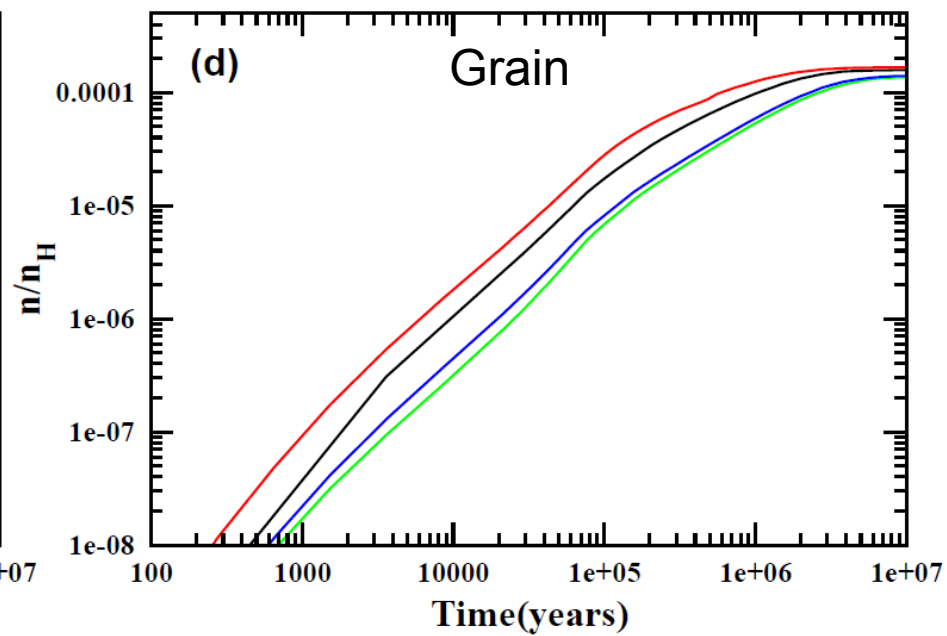
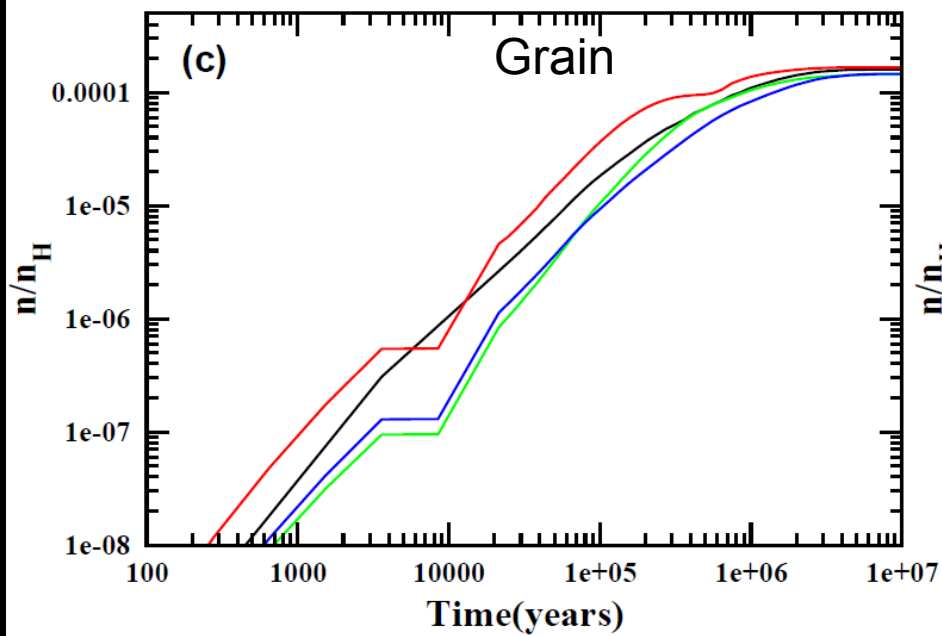
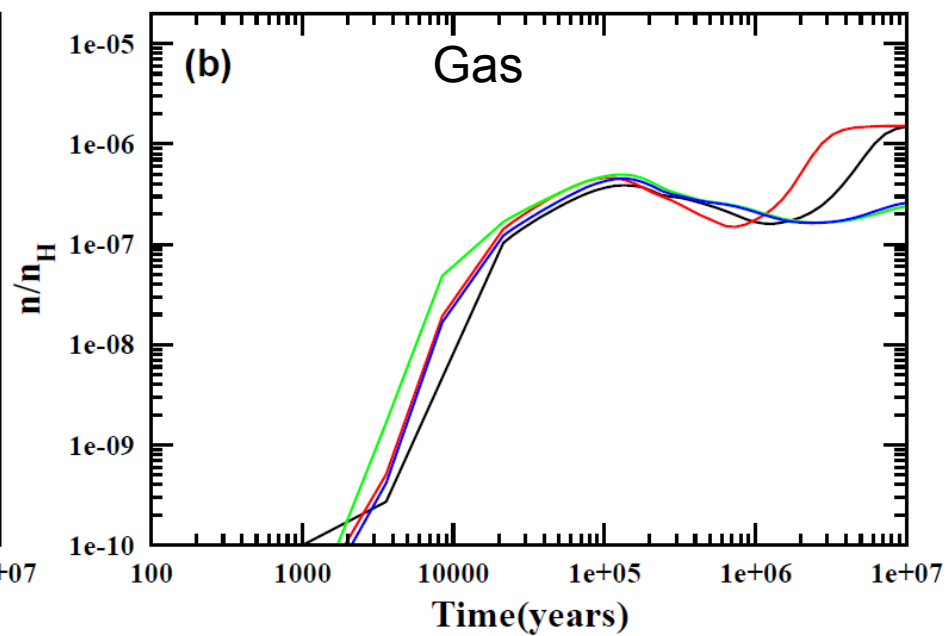
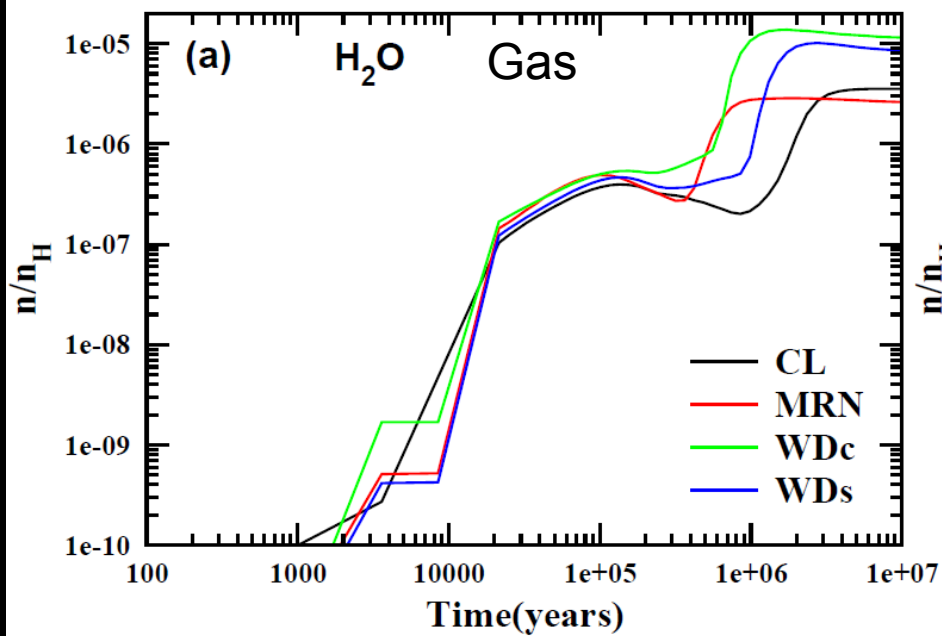
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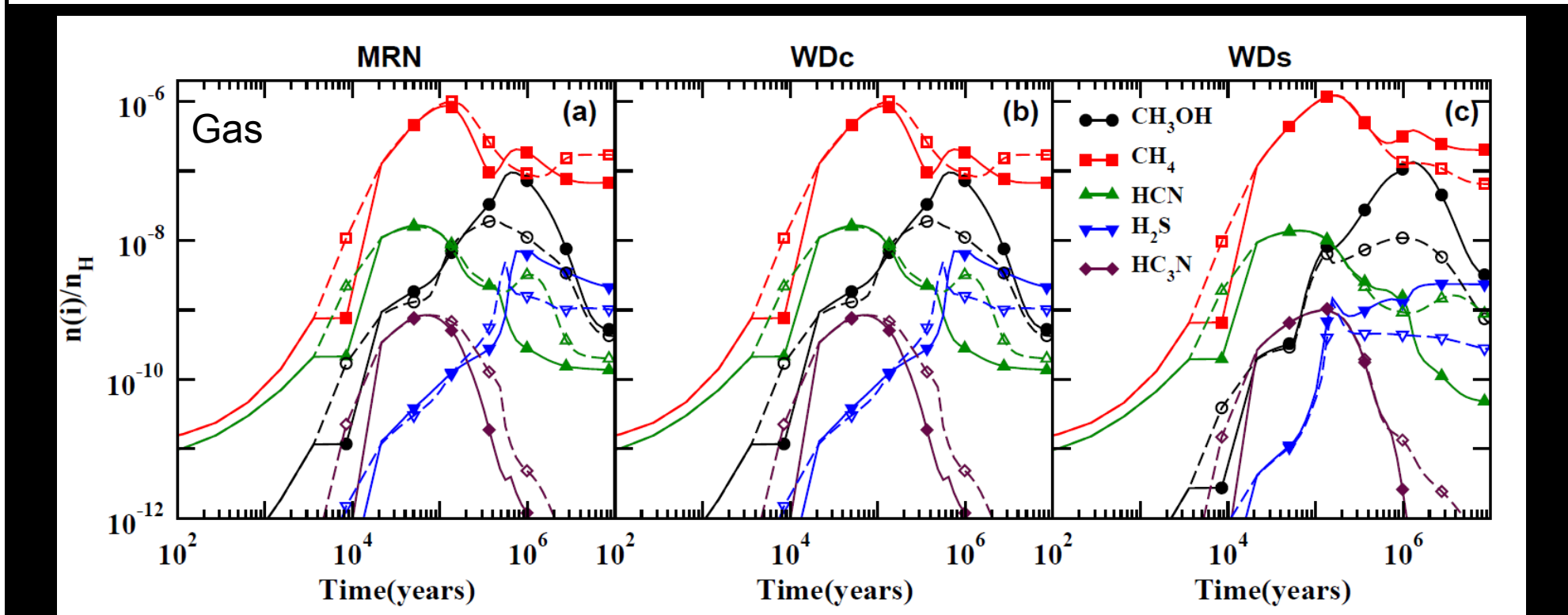
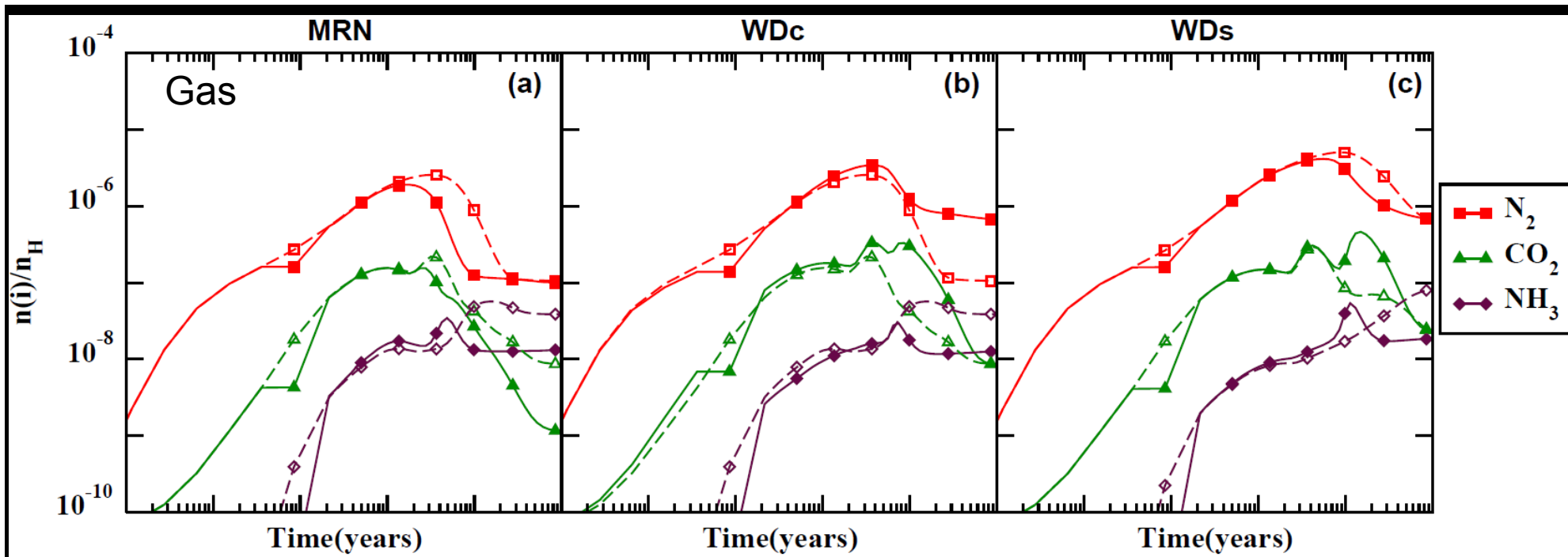


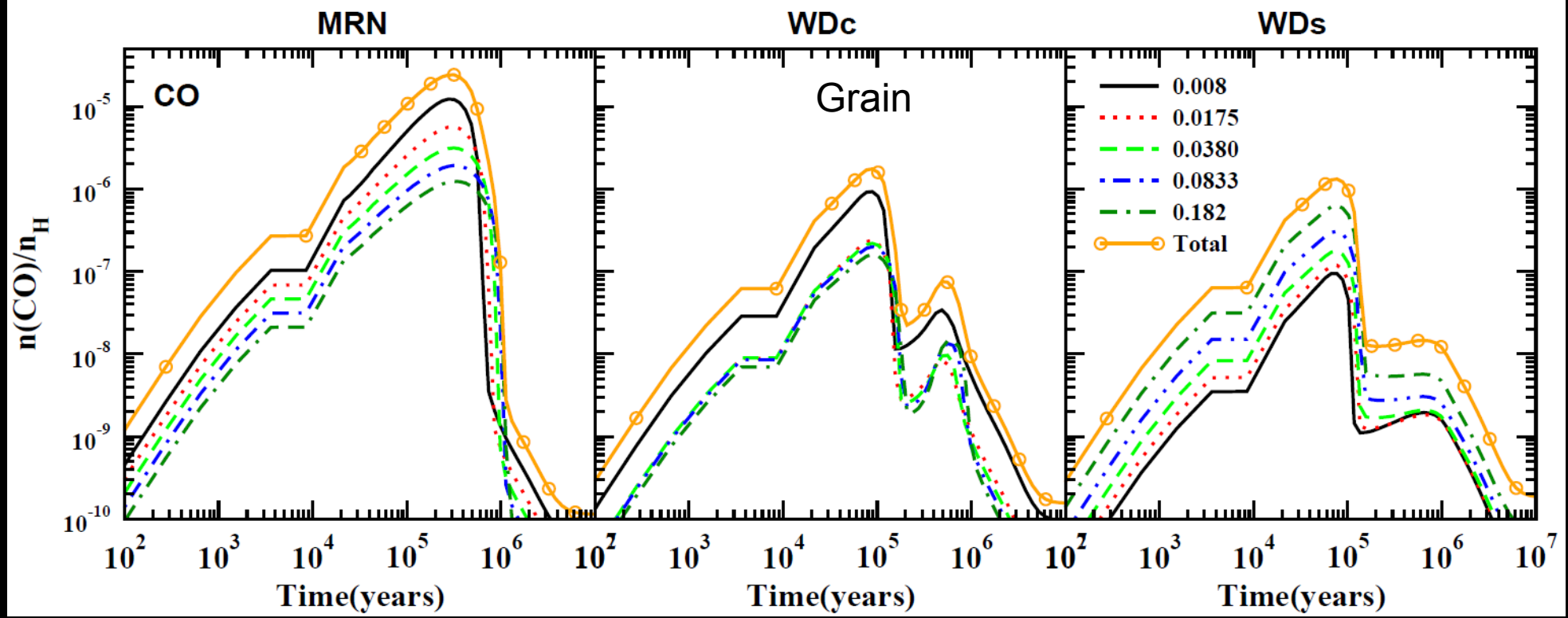




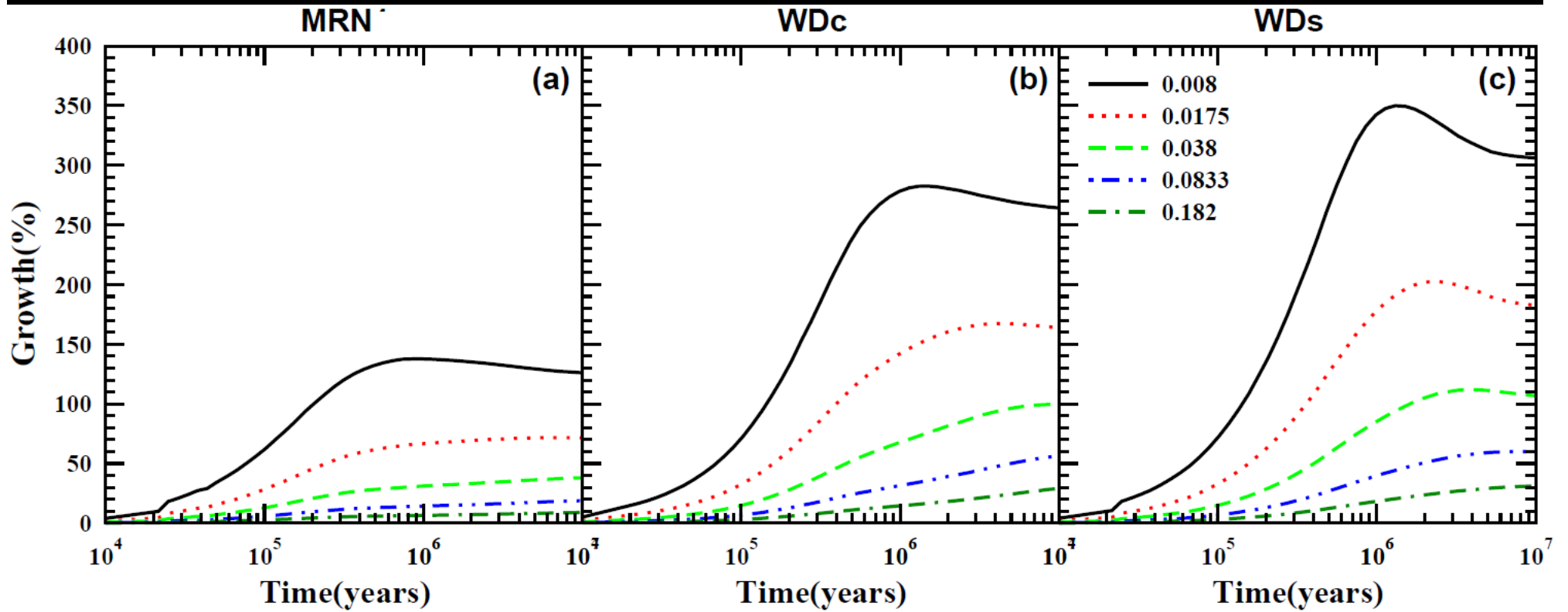








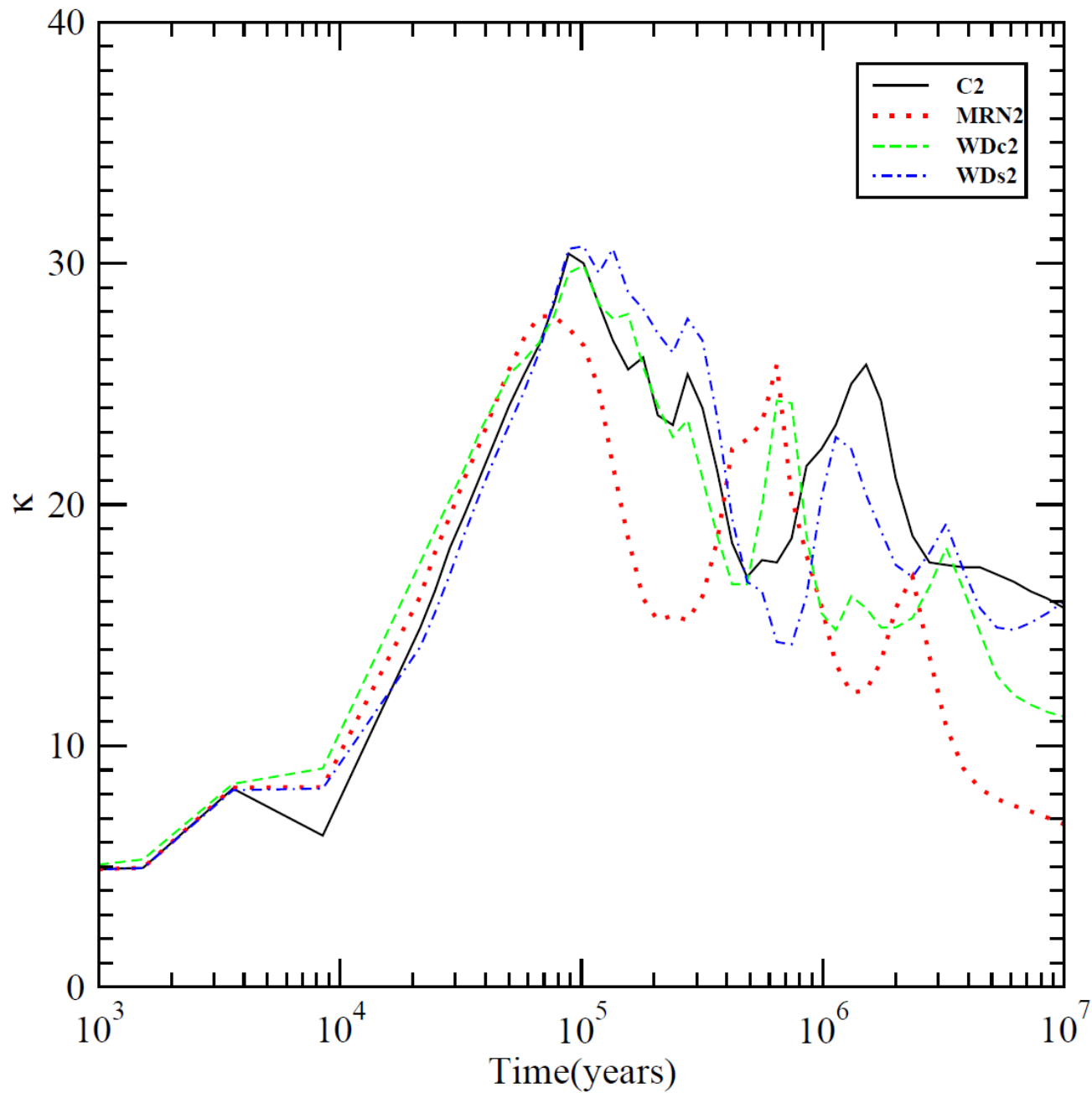
Grain surface abundance of CO for different grain size distribution with grain growth taken into account. Grain radius is in  $\mu\text{m}$ .



Percentage change in radius due to grain growth for different size distributions.

Species	n(i)/n(H <sub>2</sub> )	n(i)/n(H <sub>2</sub> ) Computed					
		Observed (L134N)	MRN (time in year)		WDC (time in year)		WDS (time in year)
		2 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	1 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	2 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	1 × 10 <sup>6</sup>	2 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	1 × 10 <sup>6</sup>
CH	1.0(-8) <sup>5</sup>	1.3E-09	5.6E-09	2.1E-09	5.0E-09	2.2E-09	1.3E-09
C <sub>4</sub> H	1.0(-9) <sup>5</sup>	6.7E-10	1.8E-10	5.4E-10	1.7E-10	5.4E-10	1.7E-10
CN	8.2(-10) <sup>5</sup>	1.7E-09	1.9E-10	2.5E-09	3.3E-11	2.5E-09	1.4E-10
H <sub>2</sub> S	8.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	1.7E-10	6.4E-09	2.0E-09	4.7E-09	9.9E-10	1.3E-09
H <sub>2</sub> CS	6.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	1.8E-10	2.8E-09	5.8E-10	2.9E-09	7.9E-10	1.4E-09
NH <sub>3</sub>	9.1(-8) <sup>5</sup>	1.6E-08	1.3E-08	1.3E-08	1.8E-08	1.0E-08	4.0E-08
CO	8.0(-5) <sup>5</sup>	2.7E-05	<b>6.7E-07</b>	4.8E-05	8.8E-06	5.1E-05	2.5E-05
HCO+	1.0(-8) <sup>6</sup>	2.7E-09	<b>1.3E-11</b>	2.8E-09	<b>1.8E-11</b>	2.7E-09	2.2E-09
C <sub>3</sub> H	3.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	5.1E-09	1.6E-10	<b>4.6E-09</b>	<b>7.2E-11</b>	4.4E-09	<b>5.4E-11</b>
C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>2</sub>	2.0(-9) <sup>5</sup>	3.3E-10	3.1E-10	1.3E-10	2E-10	<b>1.3E-10</b>	<b>5.8E-11</b>
HCN	1.2(-8) <sup>6</sup>	3.4E-09	<b>2.7E-10</b>	7.0E-09	<b>2.6E-10</b>	6.2E-09	1.6E-09
HNC	4.7(-8) <sup>6</sup>	2.9E-09	<b>2.2E-10</b>	6.1E-09	<b>1.8E-10</b>	5.4E-09	<b>1.4E-09</b>
CH <sub>3</sub> OH	3.7(-9) <sup>6</sup>	1.3E-08	<b>6.9E-08</b>	2.3E-08	<b>2.8E-07</b>	9.3E-09	<b>1.1E-07</b>
SO	3.1(-9) <sup>6</sup>	1.1E-09	3.3E-09	4.8E-10	6.2E-10	<b>2.6E-10</b>	2.9E-08
CS	1.7(-9) <sup>6</sup>	4.0E-10	1.7E-10	1.2E-09	<b>7.6E-11</b>	1.6E-09	3.2E-10
C <sub>2</sub> S	6.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	2.4E-10	<b>3.7E-13</b>	4.6E-10	<b>3.4E-14</b>	5.3E-10	<b>3.0E-12</b>
N <sub>2</sub> H+	6.8(-10) <sup>6</sup>	2.3E-10	<b>2.3E-12</b>	1.3E-10	<b>2.3E-12</b>	1.2E-10	3.1E-10
NO	6.0(-8) <sup>5</sup>	1.3E-08	5.5E-08	<b>4.1E-09</b>	1.9E-07	<b>3.3E-09</b>	1.9E-07
OH	7.5(-8) <sup>5</sup>	1.6E-08	<b>3.0E-06</b>	<b>7.1E-09</b>	<b>8.9E-06</b>	<b>5.9E-09</b>	3.6E-07
H <sub>2</sub> CO	2.0(-8) <sup>5</sup>	<b>1.0E-09</b>	3.1E-08	<b>7.0E-10</b>	8.4E-08	<b>5.3E-10</b>	3.3E-08
HCOOH	3.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	<b>1.7E-11</b>	2.2E-10	<b>2.6E-11</b>	2.3E-09	2.0E-11	7.0E-11
HC <sub>3</sub> N	8.7(-10) <sup>6</sup>	2.1E-10	<b>1.1E-12</b>	9.0E-10	<b>2.1E-13</b>	8.0E-10	<b>2.6E-12</b>
HC <sub>5</sub> N	1.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	<b>6.8E-12</b>	<b>3.8E-13</b>	1.7E-11	<b>1.7E-13</b>	1.5E-11	<b>1.1E-13</b>
HC <sub>7</sub> N	2.0(-11) <sup>5</sup>	<b>3.8E-13</b>	<b>1.7E-14</b>	<b>1.0E-12</b>	<b>6.7E-15</b>	<b>8.7E-13</b>	<b>3.9E-15</b>
HCS+	6.0(-11) <sup>5</sup>	<b>9.7E-13</b>	<b>5.1E-13</b>	<b>1.8E-12</b>	<b>1.9E-13</b>	<b>2.0E-12</b>	<b>1.5E-12</b>
OCS	2.0(-9) <sup>5</sup>	<b>4.6E-11</b>	<b>1.3E-11</b>	<b>1.6E-10</b>	<b>1.7E-11</b>	<b>1.5E-10</b>	<b>1.4E-10</b>
CH <sub>3</sub> CHO	6.0(-10) <sup>5</sup>	<b>1.8E-11</b>	<b>3.4E-13</b>	<b>2.8E-12</b>	<b>1.6E-13</b>	<b>2.2E-12</b>	<b>3.0E-12</b>

(5) Ohishi et al, 1992, and (6) Dickens et al., 2000



Variation of overall confidence (multiplied by 100) with time for different models of L134N with observations excluding molecules with observed upper or lower limits.

Species	Elias 16	Models								
		MRN (time in year)			WDC (time in year)			WDS (time in year)		
		$1 \times 10^5$	$2 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^6$	$1 \times 10^5$	$2 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^6$	$1 \times 10^5$	$2 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^6$
H <sub>2</sub> O	1.28(-4)	3.7(-5)	7.4(-5)	1.4(-4)	1.1(-5)	2.9(-5)	1.1E-04	1(-5)	2.1(-5)	9(-5)
CO	26	29	28	2(-3)	15	0.76(-2)	5.7(-3)	10	0.06	0.01
CO <sub>2</sub>	20	1.4	0.8	0.27	0.94	0.37	0.35	0.84	0.38	0.02
CH <sub>4</sub>	-	14	10	28	18	14	32	19	16	28
CH <sub>3</sub> OH	< 3	4.4	8.6	16	12	27	23	14	25	27
H <sub>2</sub> CO	-	1.5(-4)	3.8(-5)	8.2(-8)	8.4(-6)	1.2(-7)	3.6(-8)	5(-6)	1(-7)	3.6(-8)
H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	< 5	4.8	2.6	0.12	2.6	0.01	3.2(-2)	2.3	3(-3)	0.01
OCS	< 0.2	2.3(-8)	2.3(-9)	7.8(-14)	1.1(-9)	5.6(-13)	1.9(-14)	6.4(-10)	4(-13)	9(-14)
NH <sub>3</sub>	< 9	11	12	8.1	12	12	7.7	12	12	8



# Summary

1. I have shown how complex molecules can form in star forming regions.
2. Formation of molecular hydrogen requires grain surface. Master equation and rate equation methods can be coupled.
3. H<sub>2</sub> formation efficiency is strongly dependent on temperature.
4. Then we discussed formation water and methanol and showed that when the number density of accreting O is less than three times that of CO, methanol is always overproduced.
5. Using the available reaction pathways it appears to be difficult to match the exact observed abundances of all three molecules simultaneously.
6. Only in a narrow region of parameter space are all three molecules produced within the observed limits.

6. We have investigated the formation of complex molecules in star forming clouds using three different grain size distributions and also found out the effect of grain growth on the molecular abundances.
7. We found grains of different sizes have different contributions to the final gas phase and grain surface molecular abundances.
8. Species like  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{NH}_3$ ,  $\text{CH}_4$  etc which are efficiently formed on the grain surface has higher gas phase abundance due to non thermal desorption mechanisms.
9. Species like  $\text{CO}$ , which are produced efficiently in the gas phase has lower gas phase abundance due to depletion.
10. Larger is the effective surface area shorter is the time scale.

*Thank  
You*

## WD Size Distribution

$$D(a) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{B_i}{a} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\ln(a/a_{0,i})}{\sigma} \right]^2 \right\}$$

$a > 3.5 \text{ \AA}$

$$B_i = \frac{3}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{\exp(-4.5 \sigma^2)}{\rho a_{0,i}^3 \sigma}$$

$$\times \frac{b_{C,i} m_C}{1 + \operatorname{erf} [3 \sigma / \sqrt{2} + \ln(a_{0,i}/3.5 \text{ \AA}) / \sigma \sqrt{2}]}$$

$$\frac{1}{n_H} \frac{dn_{\text{gr}}}{da} = D(a) + \frac{C_g}{a} \left( \frac{a}{a_{t,g}} \right)^{\alpha_g} F(a; \beta_g, a_{t,g})$$

$$\times \begin{cases} 1, & 3.5 \text{ \AA} < a < a_{t,g} \\ \exp \{ -[(a - a_{t,g})/a_{c,g}]^3 \}, & a > a_{t,g} \end{cases}$$

for carbonaceous dust [with  $D(a)$  from eq. (2)] and

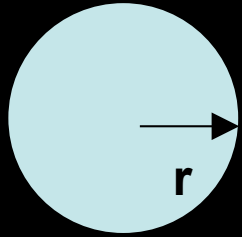
$$\frac{1}{n_H} \frac{dn_{\text{gr}}}{da} = \frac{C_s}{a} \left( \frac{a}{a_{t,s}} \right)^{\alpha_s} F(a; \beta_s, a_{t,s})$$

$$\times \begin{cases} 1, & 3.5 \text{ \AA} < a < a_{t,s} \\ \exp \{ -[(a - a_{t,s})/a_{c,s}]^3 \}, & a > a_{t,s} \end{cases}$$

for silicate dust. The term

$$F(a; \beta, a_t) \equiv \begin{cases} 1 + \beta a/a_t, & \beta \geq 0 \\ (1 - \beta a/a_t)^{-1}, & \beta < 0 \end{cases}$$

# Accretion



Velocity ( $v$ ), cross section ( $\sigma$ ) and number density of grain ( $n_d$ )

$$F_h = S \pi r^2 v n_x n_d$$

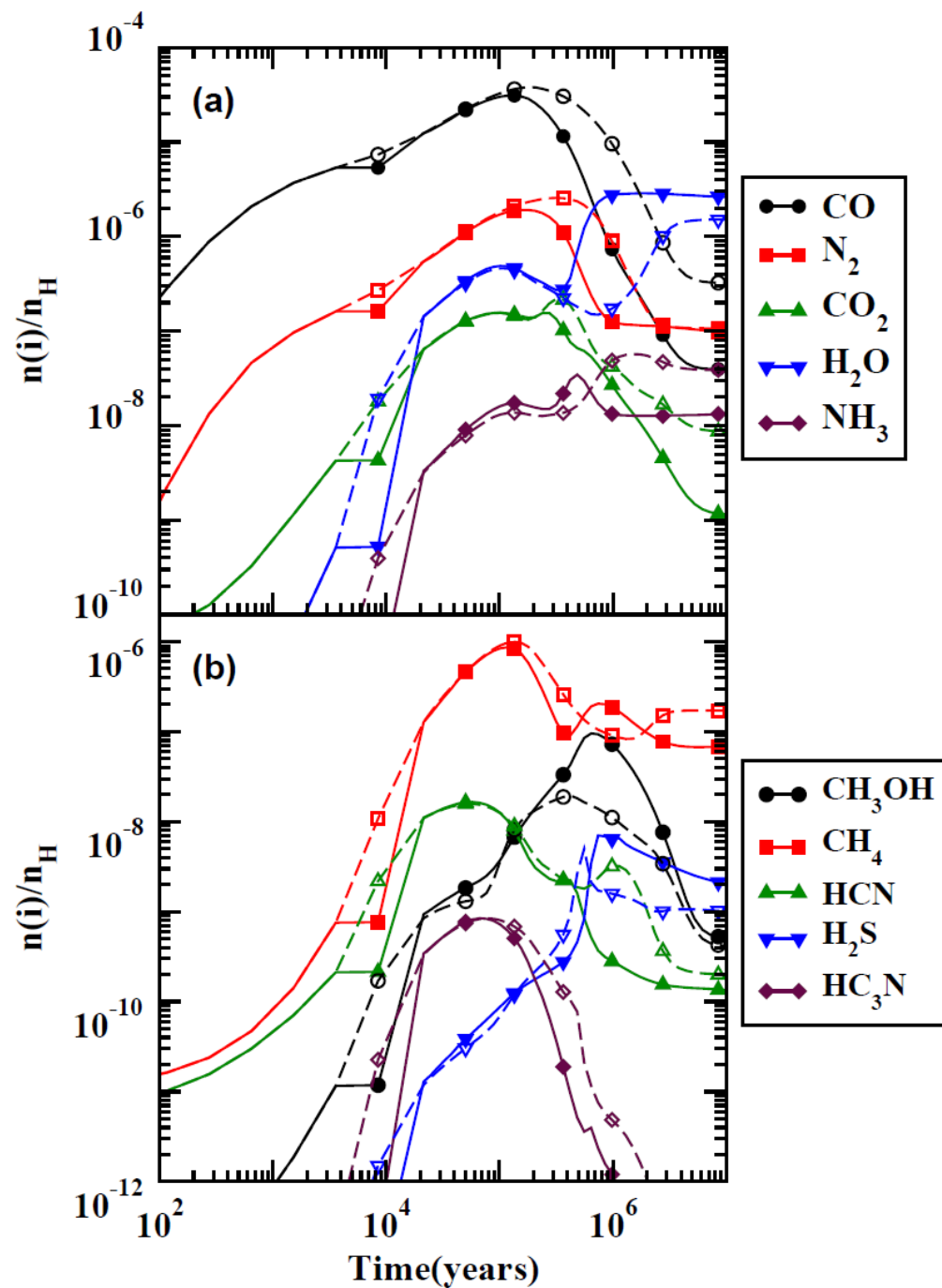
$S$  = sticking coefficients

$r$  = Radius of the grain,

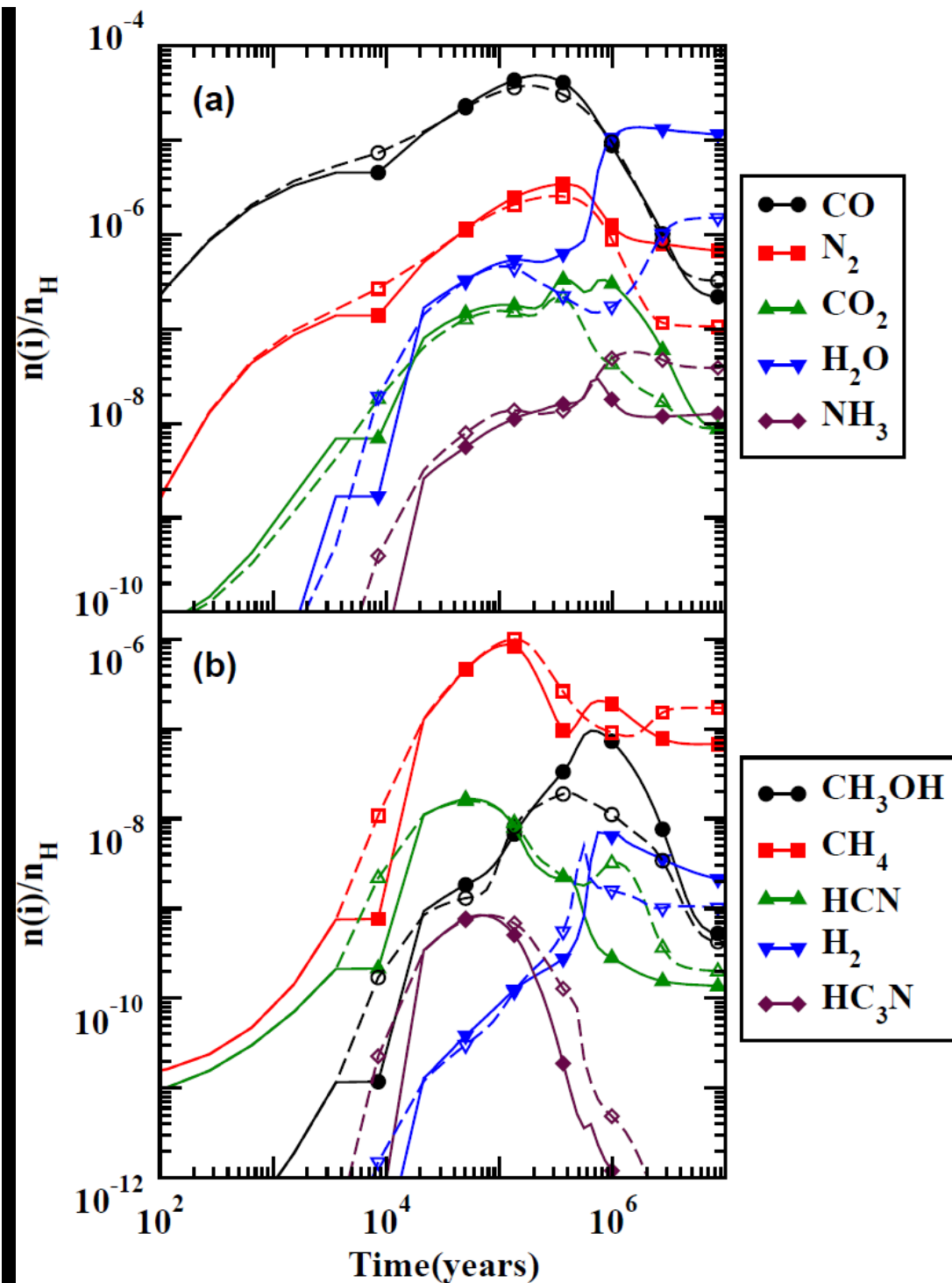
$v = (8KT/\pi m_x)^{1/2}$  = The thermal velocity,

$n_x$  = the number density of any species 'x' and

Species	n(i)/n(H <sub>2</sub> ) (L134N)	n(i)/n(H <sub>2</sub> ) Computed					
		MRN (time in year)		WDC (time in year)		WDS (time in year)	
		$2 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^6$	$2 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^6$	$2 \times 10^5$	$1 \times 10^6$
C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	$\leq 1.2(-9)^5$	2.2E-10	2.4E-09	<b>7.5E-11</b>	1.4E-09	<b>4.5E-11</b>	6.5E-10
C <sub>2</sub> H	$\leq 5.0(-8)^5$	5E-09	<b>2.8E-10</b>	6.2E-09	<b>2.3E-11</b>	6.0E-09	<b>4.3E-11</b>
C	$\geq 1.0(-6)^4$	1.0E-07	<b>2.3E-09</b>	2.3E-06	<b>8.9E-10</b>	2.9E-06	<b>6.5E-10</b>
CH <sub>2</sub> CN	$\leq 1.0(-9)^5$	1.3E-10	<b>4.6E-12</b>	1.4E-10	<b>8.4E-12</b>	1.1E-10	<b>2.5E-11</b>
C <sub>3</sub> N	$\leq 2.0(-10)^5$	2.3E-10	<b>6.6E-13</b>	2.6E-10	<b>1.0E-13</b>	2.5E-10	<b>1.4E-12</b>
CH <sub>2</sub> CO	$\leq 7.0(-10)^5$	1.5E-09	<b>1.8E-13</b>	3.1E-09	<b>5.0E-14</b>	3.0E-09	1.3E-11
C <sub>3</sub> O	$\leq 5.0(-11)^5$	1.8E-10	4.4E-11	2.2E-10	5.9E-11	1.9E-10	<b>3.7E-12</b>
C <sub>3</sub> S	$\leq 2.0(-10)^5$	3.9E-11	<b>8.8E-14</b>	1.1E-10	<b>1.0E-14</b>	1.0E-10	<b>4.8E-13</b>
H <sub>2</sub> O	$\leq 3.0(-7)^7$	3.7E-07	2.8E-06	5.2E-07	<b>1.1E-05</b>	4.2E-07	7.4E-07
O <sub>2</sub>	$\leq 1.7(-7)^8$	1.5E-06	6.1E-07	2.8E-07	<b>5.9E-06</b>	2.1E-07	<b>2.0E-05</b>
SO <sub>2</sub>	$\leq 1.6(-9)^6$	<b>3.8E-11</b>	<b>3.3E-08</b>	<b>1.2E-11</b>	<b>5.5E-08</b>	<b>6.3E-12</b>	1.5E-08
C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>3</sub> N	$\leq 1.0(-10)^5$	<b>2.4E-12</b>	<b>3.3E-12</b>	<b>2.4E-12</b>	<b>1.3E-13</b>	<b>4.1E-13</b>	<b>3.1E-14</b>
CH <sub>3</sub> CN	$\leq 1.0(-9)^5$	<b>7.5E-12</b>	<b>6.4E-13</b>	<b>6.6E-11</b>	<b>3.8E-13</b>	<b>5.9E-11</b>	<b>3.7E-12</b>
H <sub>2</sub> CN+	$\leq 3.1(-9)^5$	<b>5.3E-11</b>	<b>3.6E-12</b>	<b>8.8E-11</b>	<b>2.6E-12</b>	<b>7.4E-11</b>	<b>2.5E-11</b>

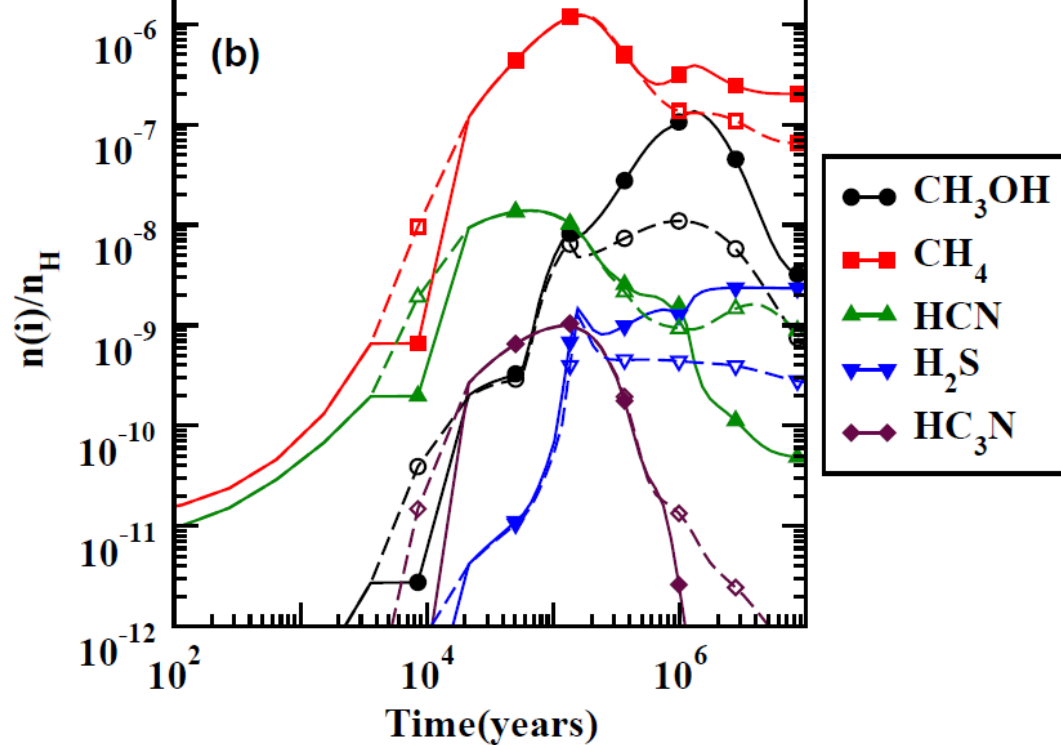
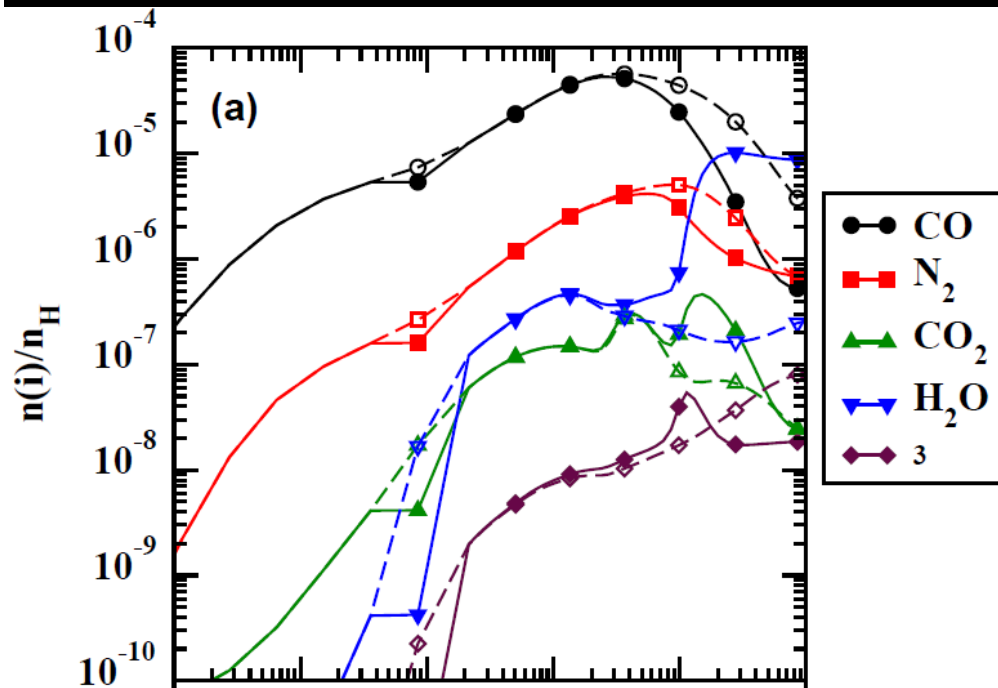


Gas phase abundances for few selected species with grain growth (solid line and with solid symbol) and without grain growth (dash line and hollow symbol) for MRN model

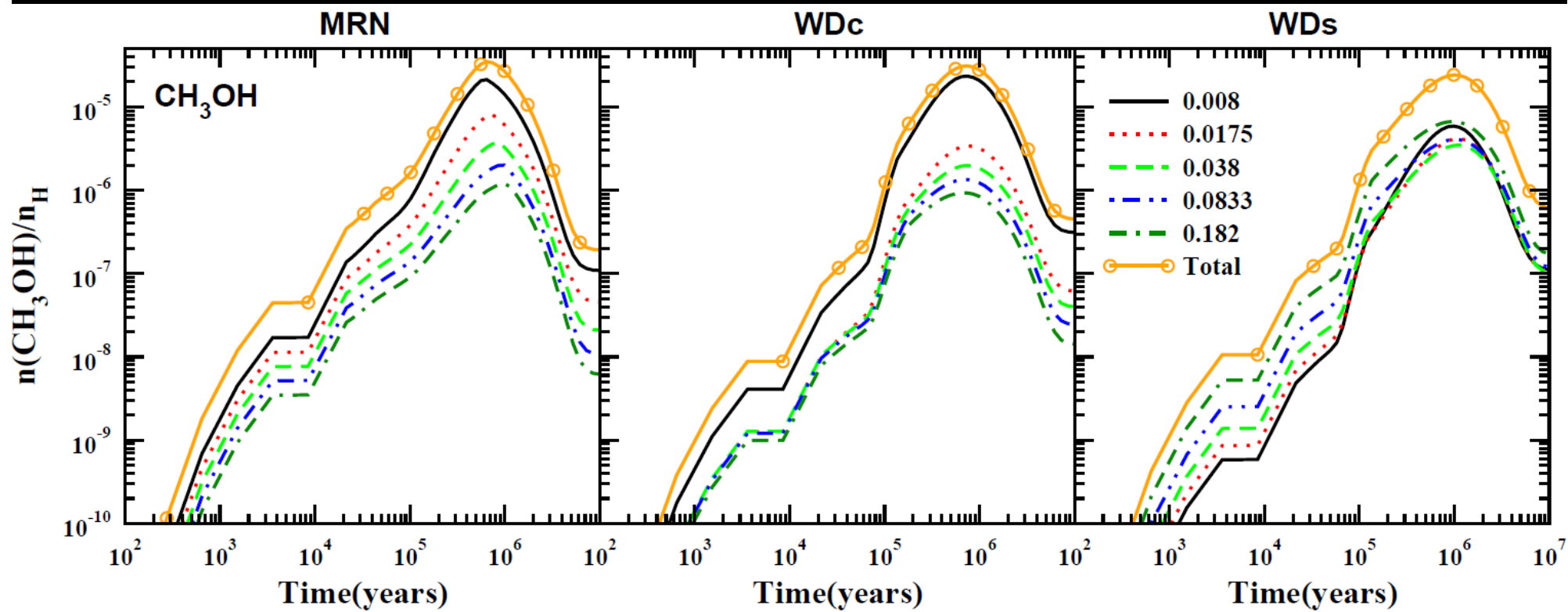


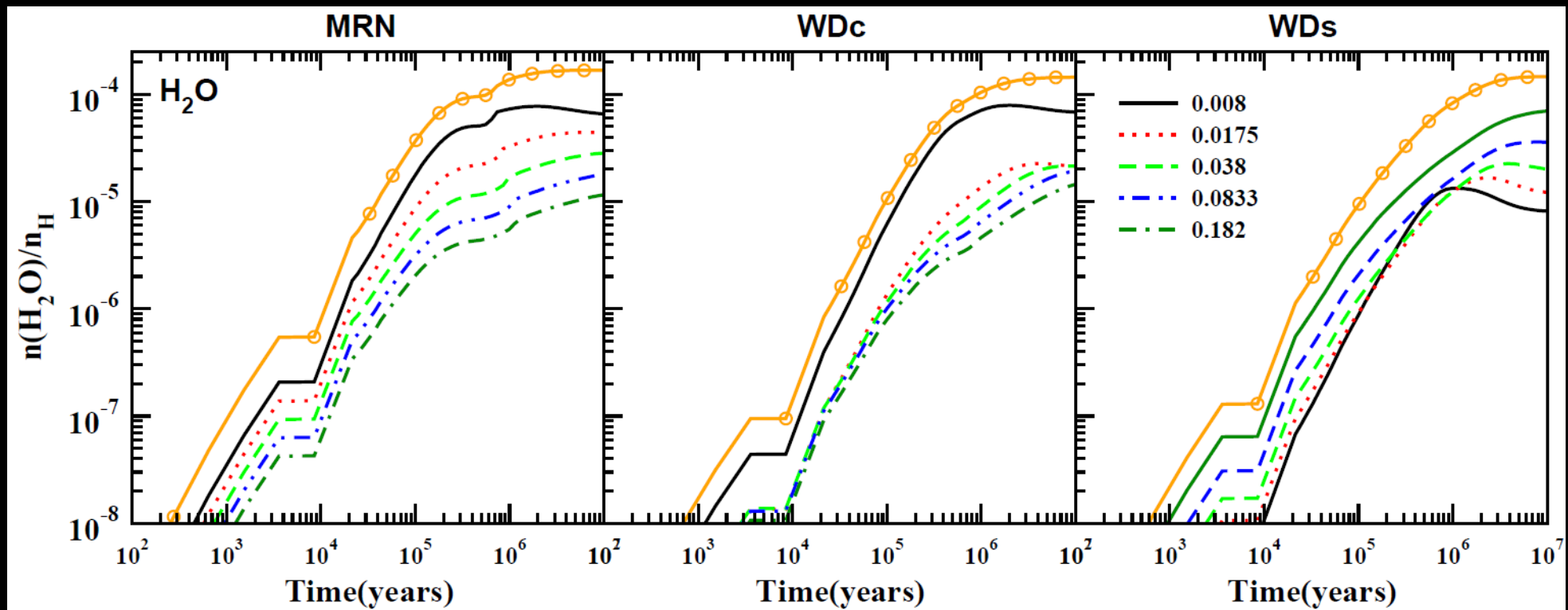
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Gas phase abundances for few selected species with grain growth (solid line and with solid symbol) and without grain growth (dash line and hollow symbol) for WDs model







## ✓ Chemical Composition

The principal molecular ingredients of the interstellar dust are deduced from the way they absorb or emit infrared radiation.

Fortunately, the **so-called fingerprint** region of the infrared spectrum from **2.5 to 25  $\mu\text{m}$** , where most vibrations of the molecular groups containing **C, N, O and H** occur, is **accessible with modern telescopes**.