

Growth of terrestrial planets

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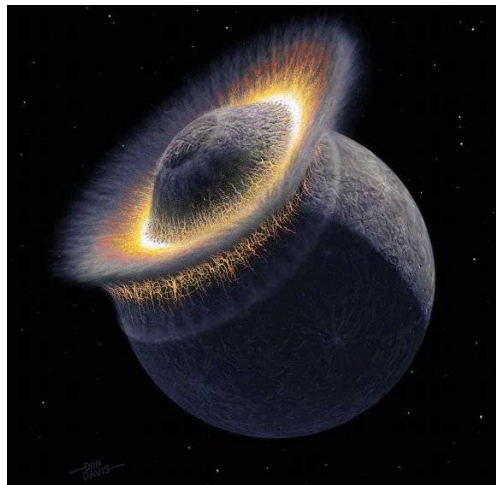
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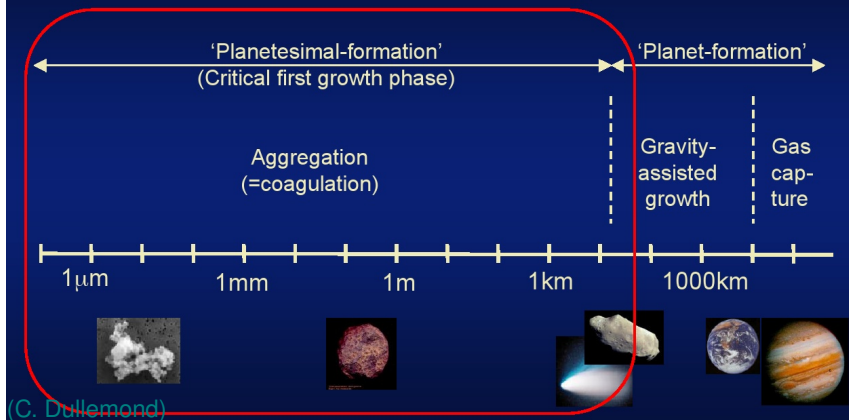
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(Credit: Don Davis)

2.1 Concepts: Overview of Formation Process

Growth from 'dust' to planets



Dust \Rightarrow Planetesimals ($\mu\text{m} \Rightarrow 1\text{-}10\text{km}$, direct collisions)
Concentration of particles (eddies, vortices, pressure bumps),
timescale $\approx 10^5$ yrs.

2.1 Concepts: The problem

Planetesimals:

- Objects from 1-10km up to nearly moon-sized (planetary embryos)
- Starting point for later phase of planet formation
- Now **gravitational interaction** becomes important

In this mass range: very small aerodynamic drag forces

Possible: Inhomogeneities of the disk density

→ tidal interaction

With initial 1 km-sized particles need **10^{11} particles** to make the terrestrial planets.

Numerically very demanding:

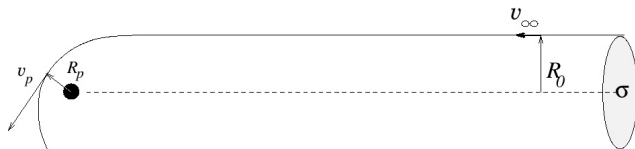
- a lot of particles
- very long evolution timescale (many dynamical times)

⇒ Combination of statistical and numerical methods

2.1 Concepts: Gravitational focussing I

Two bodies can only grow via physical collisions

Mutual gravitational interaction increases the effective crosssection



(R.Mardling)

At large distances the 2 bodies have the *Impact Parameter* R_0 and velocity $v_{\text{rel}} = v_\infty$, the shortest distance is R_p with velocity v_p .

Angular momentum conservation

$$R_0 v_{\text{rel}} = R_p v_p \quad (1)$$

energy conservation

$$\frac{1}{2} \mu v_{\text{rel}}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mu v_p^2 - \frac{G(m_1 m_2)}{R_p} \quad (2)$$

with the reduced mass $\mu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)$.

2.1 Concepts: Gravitational focussing II



(R.Mardling)

For the **effective cross section** σ one finds

$$\sigma \equiv \pi R_0^2 = \pi R_p^2 F_{\text{grav}} = \pi R_p^2 \left[1 + \left(\frac{v_{\text{esc}}}{v_{\text{rel}}} \right)^2 \right] \quad (3)$$

with the gravitative enhancement factor F_{grav} and the **escape velocity**

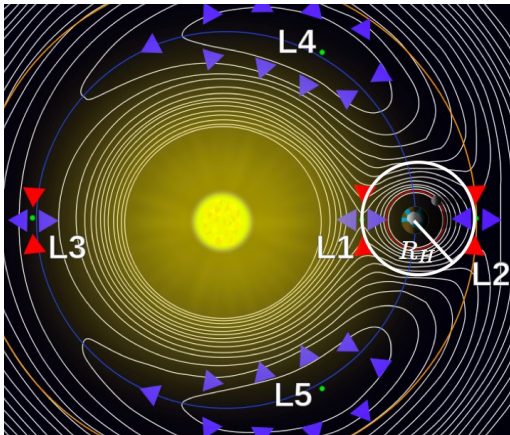
$$v_{\text{esc}} = \left(\frac{2G(m_1 + m_2)}{R_p} \right)^{1/2} \quad (4)$$

In a cold disk of planetesimals with $v_{\text{rel}} \ll v_{\text{esc}}$ the cross section is MUCH higher than without gravity.

Notes: Safronov number $\theta = (v_{\text{esc}}/v_{\text{rel}})^2$. For 2 bodies with sizes r_1 and r_2 set $R_p \rightarrow r_1 + r_2$.

2.1 Concepts: Hill sphere

Equipotential lines in the co-rotating frame



The Hill sphere (white line) is the region where the gravity of the planet (here growing planetesimal) is dominant.

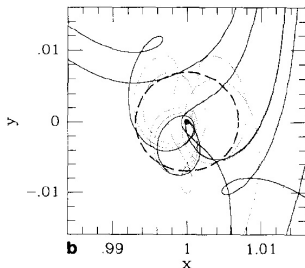
It is enclosed within the two Lagrange points L_1 and L_2 .

The **Hill-Radius** R_H , is given by

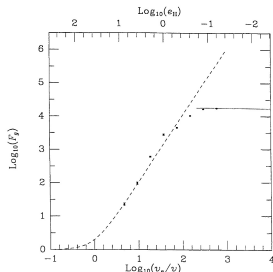
$$R_H = \left(\frac{m_p}{3M_*} \right)^{1/3} a_p \quad (5)$$

where a_p is the semi-major axis of the planet.

2.1 Concepts: Three-body effects



Trajectories in **3-body problem**
very complex (chaotic), in particular in Hill
sphere (dashed circle)
(here: Star and two planetesimals)
(Greenzweig & Lissauer, 1993)



Gravitational focussing factor F_{grav}
as a function of $v_{\text{esc}}/v_{\text{rel}}$

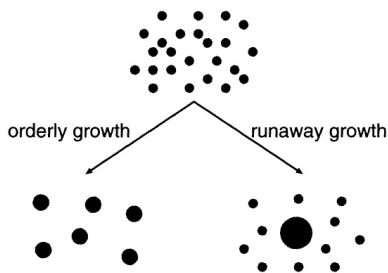
dashed: Eq. (3)

Note: $v_{\text{esc}}/v_{\text{rel}} \gg 1$ means very thin disk:

3-body effects limit F_{grav} (solid line)
to values up to about 10^4 .

(Lissauer, 1993)

2.1 Concepts: Modes of Growth



Two possible modes:

Ordered

Mass ratio of two growing particles tends to unity

Runaway

Large particles grow faster than small ones

(Kokubo, 2001)

Consider growth of two particles with mass m_1 and m_2 with $m_1 > m_2$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) = \frac{m_1}{m_2} \left(\frac{1}{m_1} \frac{dm_1}{dt} - \frac{1}{m_2} \frac{dm_2}{dt} \right) \quad (6)$$

i.e. **relative growth** $1/m(dm/dt)$ is important.

If relative growth increases with m : Runaway-Growth

If relative growth decreases with m : ordered growth

Look at mass growth

2.1 Concepts: Mass Growth

Using the cross section σ (Eq. 3) the mass growth of a planetesimal with mass m_p is given by

$$\dot{m}_p = \rho_{\text{part}} v_{\text{rel}} \sigma = \rho_{\text{part}} v_{\text{rel}} \pi R_p^2 F_{\text{grav}} \quad (7)$$

if each collision will results in growth (100% *sticking*).

ρ_{part} = density of incoming particles. Using

$$\rho_{\text{part}} \approx \frac{\Sigma_{\text{part}}}{2H_{\text{part}}} = \frac{\Sigma_{\text{part}} \Omega_K}{2v_{\text{rel}}} \quad (8)$$

with $H_{\text{part}} \sim v_{\text{rel}}/\Omega_K$ and $v_{\text{rel}} \approx \sqrt{e^2 + i^2} v_K$ (use here the velocity dispersion of the planetesimal disk)

$$\frac{dm_p}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \Sigma_{\text{part}} \Omega_K \pi R_p^2 \left[1 + \left(\frac{v_{\text{esc}}}{v_{\text{rel}}} \right)^2 \right] \quad (9)$$

- Growth proportional to Σ_{part}
- Growth proportional to Ω_K : i.e. slower at larger distances
- v_{rel} enters only through focussing factor

Note: With increasing mass the growing planet influences the velocity dispersion (v_{rel}) and the surface density Σ_{part} .

2.1 Concepts: Growth Types

show two illustrative cases:

- Ordered

With $F_{\text{grav}} = \text{const.}$, and denote $m = m_p$ we have

$$\frac{1}{m} \frac{dm}{dt} \propto m^{-1/3} \quad (10)$$

This implies a linear growth with radius: $R_p \propto t$

- Runaway

Take now $v_{\text{rel}} = \text{const.}$ then

$$\frac{1}{m} \frac{dm}{dt} \propto R_p \propto m^{1/3} \quad (11)$$

This implies $m \rightarrow \infty$ in a finite time!

Upon mass growth of a growing body velocity and density of the ambient planetesimals will be changed \Rightarrow Modifications

Look now at the growth in more detail: Results from numerical simulations

2. Growth to terrestrial planets: Organisation

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(Universe Today)

2.2 Protoplanets: Methods

Direct N-Body

solve equation of motion for N planetesimals

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\vec{v}_i}{dt} = & -GM_{\odot} \frac{\vec{x}_i}{|\vec{x}_i|^3} - \sum_{j \neq i}^N Gm_j \frac{\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j}{|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|^3} \\ & + \vec{f}_{gas} + \vec{f}_{col} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

\vec{f}_{gas} : friction force by gas particles

\vec{f}_{col} : veloc. change upon collisions

The velocity dispersion of the particles v_{disp} is damped by these forces.

Advantage: accurate method

Disadvantage: need very many particles

2.2 Protoplanets: Methods

Statistical:

solve for probability distribution function $f(\vec{r}, \vec{v})$, expressed thru $f(e, i)$

particle density $n = \int f d^3v$

Solve: a) Boltzmann-equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \dot{\vec{r}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{r}} + \dot{\vec{v}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right|_{\text{coll}} + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial t} \right|_{\text{grav}} \quad (13)$$

coll: changes by collisions

grav: grav. scattering

and b) Coagulation equation

$$\frac{dn_k}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i+j=k} A_{ij} n_i n_j - n_k \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} A_{ik} n_i \quad (14)$$

with $n_k \propto$ number of particles with a give size

Advantage: model total ensemble

Disadvantage: only statistical

2.2 Protoplanets: Runaway Growth I

Example **N-body** - simulation

Planetesimals in ring at 1AU

with width $\Delta a = 0.02\text{AU}$

3000 bodies with each $m = 10^{23}\text{ g}$

with density $\rho = 2\text{gcm}^{-3}$

at time $t = 200,000\text{yrs}$:

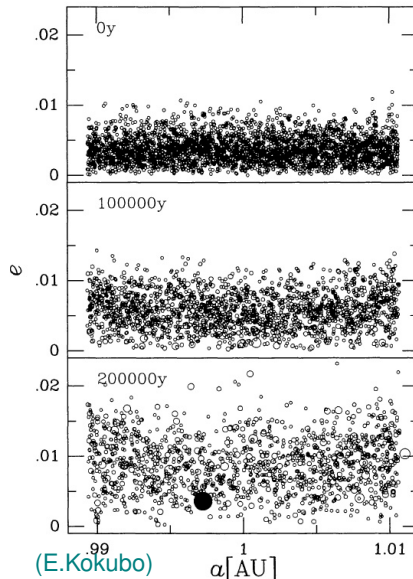
- 1 body (●) with 100 initial masses

low eccentricity of ●:

- through **dynamical friction**
- small bodies have higher e
- large have smaller e

In early phase growth is through a

Runaway phase



2.2 Protoplanets: Runaway Growth II

Same N-body - simulation:

dashed: 10^5 yrs, solid: 2×10^5 yrs

objects between 10^{23} - 10^{24} g

contain majority of mass

cumulative mass distribution follows: **powerlaw**

$$\frac{dn_c}{dm} \propto m^\alpha \quad (15) \quad n_c$$

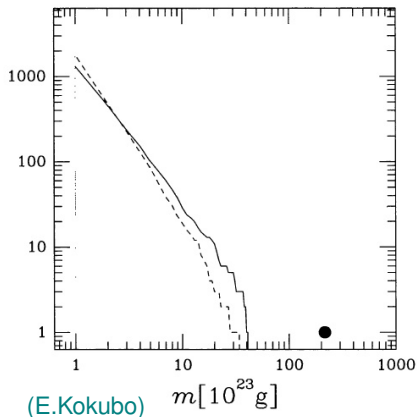
Here $\alpha \simeq -2.5$

($\alpha < -2.0$ is characteristic for runaway)

one very massive particle (●)
separated from distribution (sink)

Cumulative mass distribution

$n_c(m)$ = number of
particles with mass $> m$



2.2 Protoplanets: Gravitational Stirring

Gravitational interaction
between small and big
bodies

Increases mean eccentric-
ity and inclination of small
bodies

equipartition of energy
between e and i gives

$$\langle e^2 \rangle = 4 \langle i^2 \rangle$$

$\langle x \rangle$: mean values

solid line e

dashed line i

(E.Kokubo)

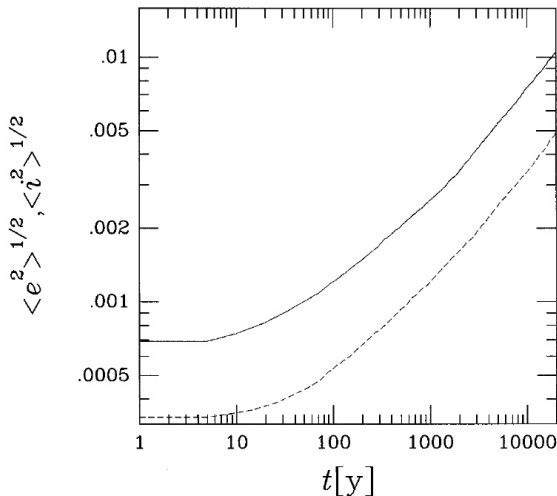
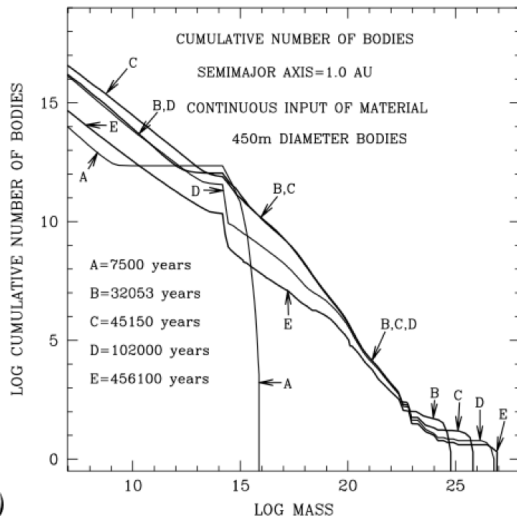


FIG. 6. The RMS eccentricity (solid curve) and inclination (dashed curve) as a function of time.

2.2 Protoplanets: Runaway Growth III

Example: **Statistical simulation** in box at 1AU, $\Delta a = .17\text{AU}$



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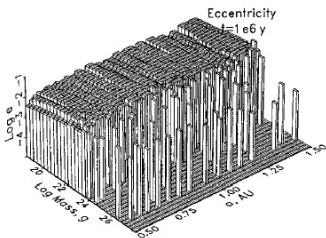
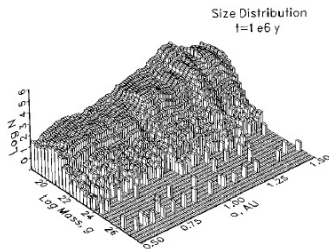
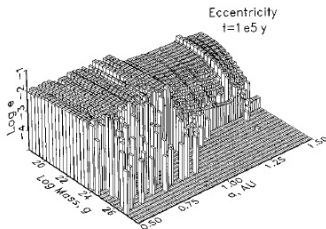
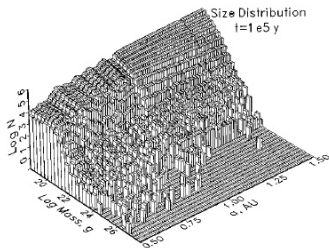
(Wetherill & Stewart, 1993)

2.2 Protoplanets: Runaway Growth IV

Example: Statistical simulation, 100 radial zones, for $m > 10^{24}$ discrete

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2.2 Protoplanets: Oligarchic Growth

Simulation results: a few massive embryos with equal separation since N small, N-body is now more efficient
continue the above N-body simulation

4000 bodies, each $m = 1.5 \times 10^{23}$ g

add 2 seed-protoplanets: $M_1 = M_2 = 40m$

at $t = 0$ in $\Delta a = 0.042$ AU

4 times larger radii ($f = 4$)

i.e. larger time scales

Result:

- large bodies grow at same speed

$$M_{\text{end}} \approx 8M_{\text{init}}$$

- small grow slower, $\bar{m}(t = 10^4) \approx 1.6m_{\text{init}}$

- large have lower e

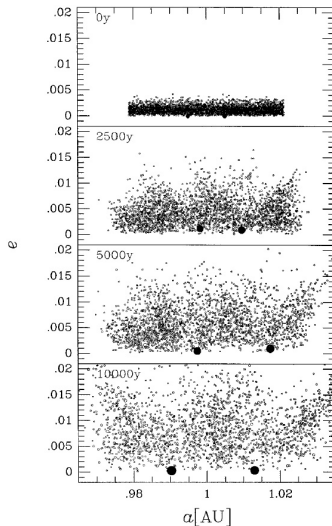
Self-limited runaway

for larger M a growth of v_{disp}

above $M \approx 50m$: $v_{\text{disp}} \propto M^{1/3}$

the $(1/M)dM/dt \propto \Sigma_p M^{-1/3}$

\Rightarrow ordered growth



(Kokubo&Ida, 1998)

2.2 Protoplanets: End of growth - Isolation mass

Runaway is local

large bodies have \approx circular orbit \implies limited reservoir of collision partners
 \implies **Isolation Mass** (M_{iso})

Collisions occur with bodies from *Feeding Zone*, i.e. from a region with extension of the Hill-radius

$$R_{Hill} = a \left(\frac{m_p}{3M_{\odot}} \right)^{1/3}$$

Particles come from region Δa with mass $m = 2\pi 2a \Delta a \Sigma_p$, let $\Delta a = CR_{Hill}$
with $m = M_{iso}$ we obtain

$$M_{iso} = 4\pi a C \left(\frac{M_{iso}}{3M_{\odot}} \right)^{1/3} a \Sigma_p \quad (16)$$

detailed simulations result in $C = 2/\sqrt{3}$

2.2 Protoplanets: End of growth - Examples

Let $2M_{\oplus}$ between 0.5 und 1.5AU, $\Sigma_p \sim a^{-3/2}$ and $\Sigma_p = 8 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$ at 1AU and $C = 2/\sqrt{3}$, then

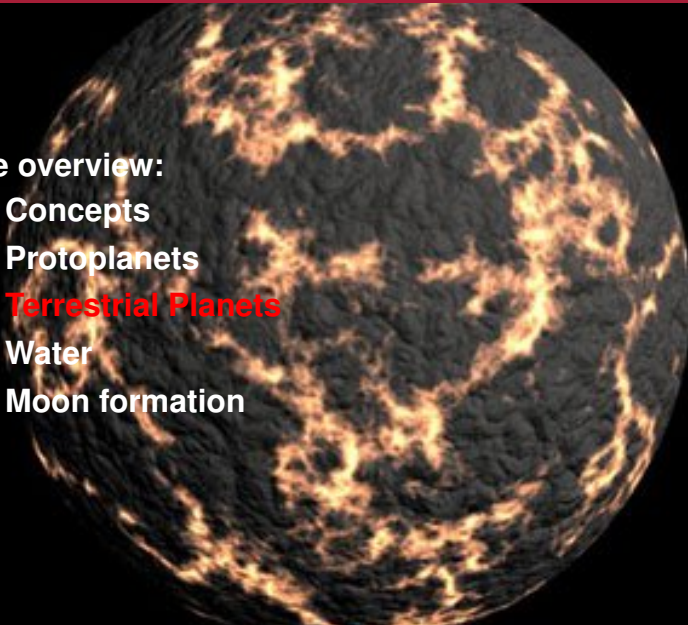
$$M_{iso} \approx 0.05M_{\oplus} \quad (17)$$

I.e. about 40 bodies (Proto-planets) with a mean distance of $\Delta a \approx 0.025\text{AU}$
At the distance of Jupiter one gets

$$M_{iso} \approx 5 - 9M_{\oplus}$$

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2.3 Terrestrial: From moons to Earth

After oligarchic phase: only few objects of \approx moon size left over

Only gravitational interaction between these **embryos**

Approach: classical **N-Body** simulations

New difficulty:

few particles (≈ 100), but very long timescales (10^8 yrs)

\Rightarrow need good (symplectic) Integrators

Example: (Chambers, 2001)

16 N-body simulations, Start with 153-158 embryos

distribute ca. 2 Earth masses between 0.3 and 2.0 AU

different types: all masses equal, bimodal, radial mass profile

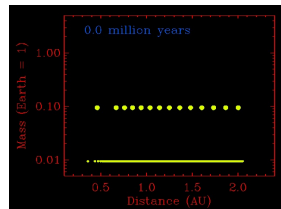
include Jupiter & Saturn (on present orbits)

100% sticking (perfectly inelastic)

angular momentum into rotation (spin)

Integrator:

(Mercury-Package, John Chambers, 1999)

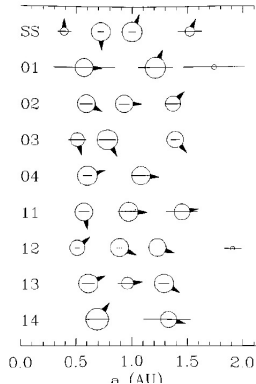
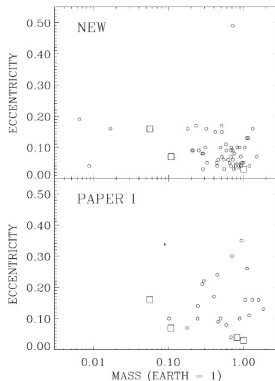
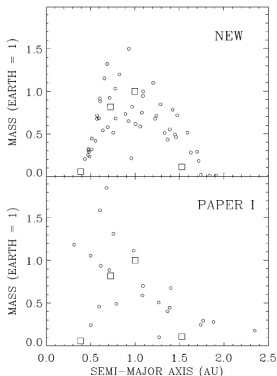


2.3 Terrestrial: Results & Problems

Systems similar to the Solar System are possible
mostly 3-4 terrestrial planets, formation in ca. 10^8 yrs

But: Discrepancies in important details

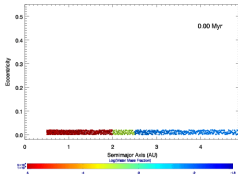
- often no high mass concentration as in Venus and Earth
- planets have too large e and i compared to Solar System
- spin orientations arbitrary



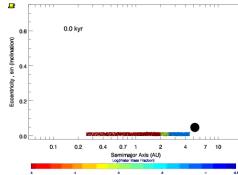
(Chambers, 2001); Paper I (with less particles): (Wetherill & Chambers, 1998)

2.3 Terrestrial: New Simulations

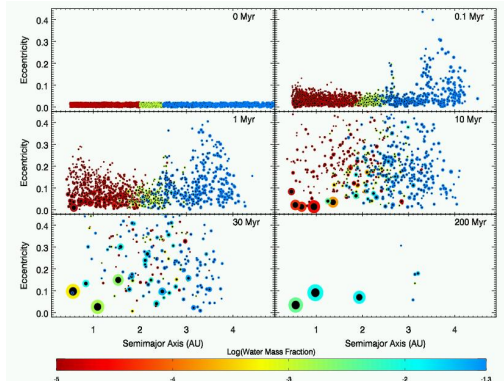
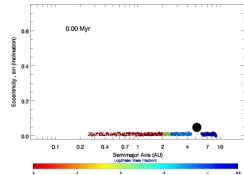
with Jupiter (stationary)



with Jupiter migration



w/ Jupiter migration (long)



Colors: Water fraction

Longterm N-body simulations
about 2000 bodies at start
about $10 M_{\text{Earth}}$ in $[0.5, 5.0]$ AU
(Raymond et al., 2006-2007)

Problems:

- high eccentricity
- large Mars

2.3 Terrestrial: Improvements

Too high eccentricities: Need **dissipative process**

- Planetesimals: left over from formation
 - reservoir filled by collision
 - damp e and i
 - are accreted by planet in *clean-up* phase,
- gas disk: left over from formation
 - damps e and i via tidal forces

Problem with all processes:

- Collisions of oligarchs require excentric orbits,
- but damping processes reduce e : contradiction!

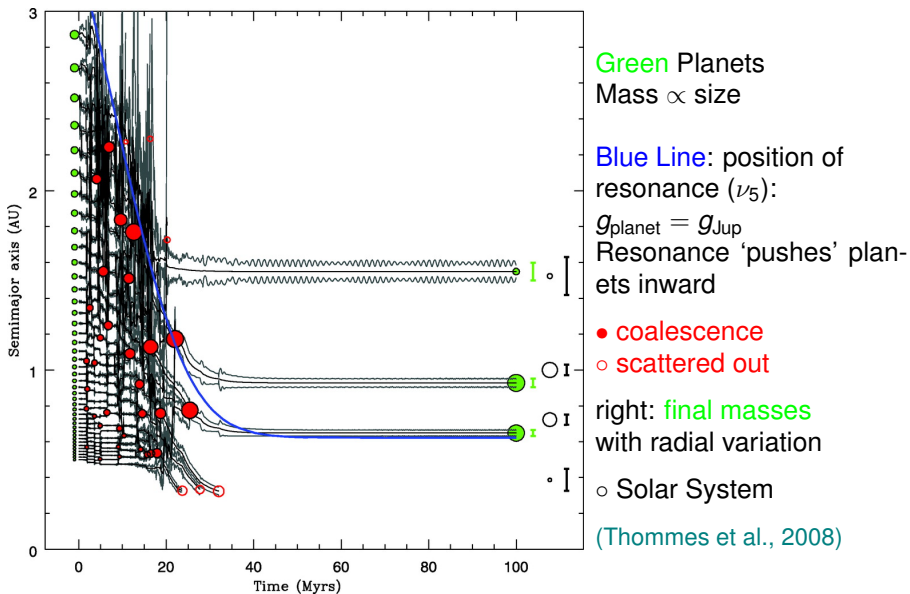
Possible solution: **Dynamical Shake-Up** Model

(Nagasawa, Lin, Thommes; 2005, 2008)

Idea: Planets are still embedded in gas disk - e small and too few collisions
But e can be excited by secular resonances, i.e. precession of the apsidal line, $g_{planet} = d\varpi_{planet}/dt$, of the growing planet equals that of Jupiter g_{Jup} (or Saturn).

then resonance condition: \Rightarrow increase of eccentricity (and more collisions)
disk influence diminishes with time.

2.3 Terrestrial: Shake-up example



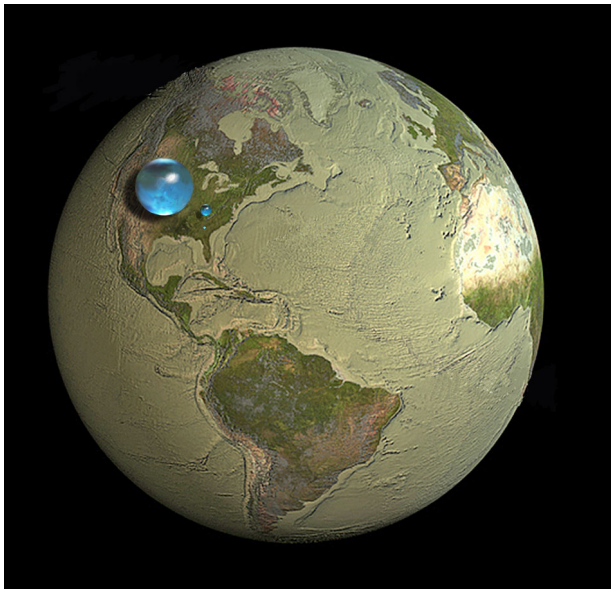
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(World Water Day 2014, Lesley Simpson)

2.4 Water: Fraction on Earth



Large sphere:

($D = 1400\text{km}$)

Total water content
of the Earth

$M_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} = 0.02\% M_{\text{Earth}}$

Middle sphere:

($D = 272\text{km}$)

Total freshwater

small sphere:

($D = 57\text{km}$)

in lakes & rivers

in mantle:

10 times as much ?

Expt. to check solubility
of

H_2O in rocks

2.4 Water: Origin

At 1AU, the disk temperature is above the condensation temperature

⇒ water is present only in gaseous form

2 basic ways to gain water:

Water condensed on embedded dust grains and is directly incorporated into the Earth

Or material directly accreted from outside (through in by Jupiter)

see previous simulations (by Raymond et al.)

But initial Earth very hot (by collisions) ⇒ evaporation ?

If later deposition of water ?

- Comets: Dirty snowballs
- Asteroids (see meteorites)

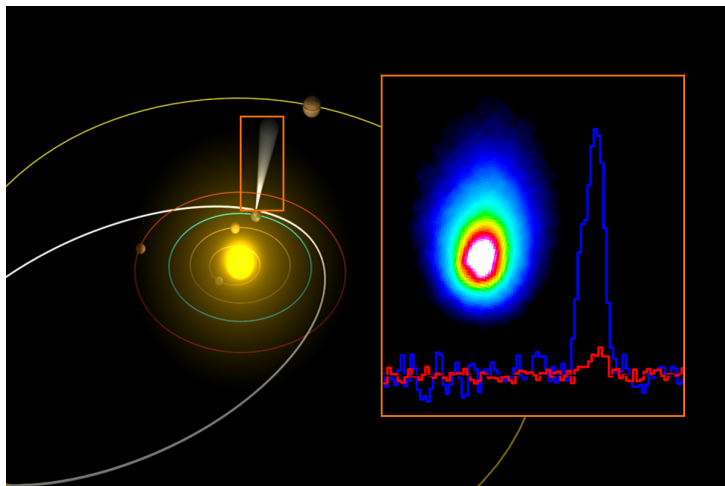
Here, clarification by isotopic composition of water:

- measure: **D/H-ratio** (Deuterium/'Protium')
Deuterium already made in big bang, later only destroyed.

Partially inconclusive results

Recent measurement: D/H identical on Earth and Vesta meteorite (Sarafian et al. 2014)

2.4 Water: D/H measurement at comet Hartley 2

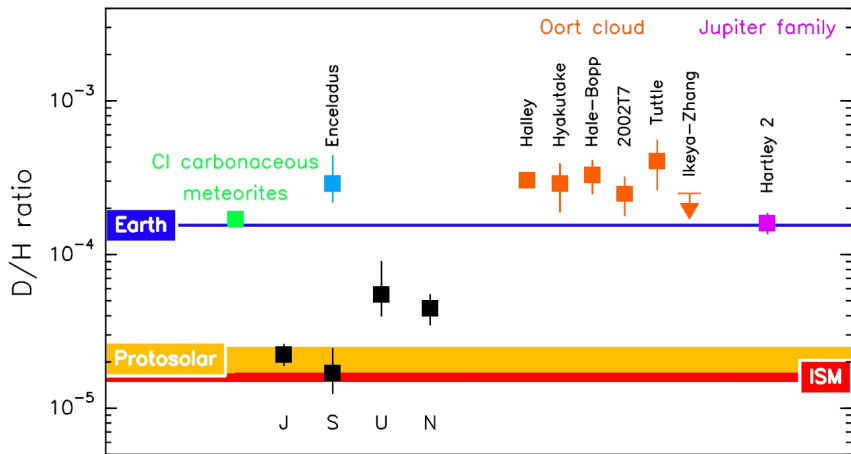


(Herschel Team, ESA, 2011)

shortest distance to Earth ~ 0.13 AU = 20 Mio. km, in October 2010

In Spectrum: blue: H₂¹⁸O and red: HDO

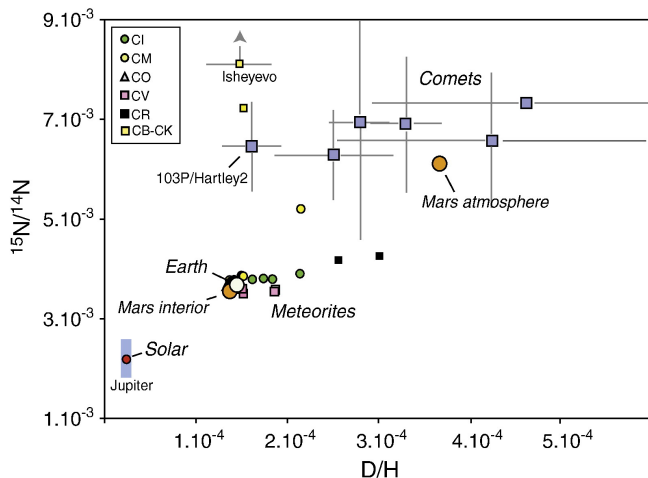
2.4 Water: D/H in Solar System objects



(Herschel Team, ESA, 2011)

⇒ Jupiter-type comets have D/H as the Earth, Oort-cloud-comets not
(Note: D/H is particle number ratio, not mass ratio) $(D/H)_{\text{Earth}} = 0.015\%$

2.4 Water: But: additional elements



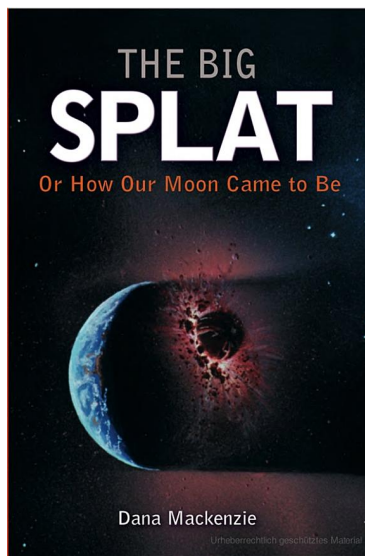
(Marty, 2012)

Ratio: $^{15}\text{N}/^{14}\text{N}$ against D/H

⇒ Origin of water not completely clarified !

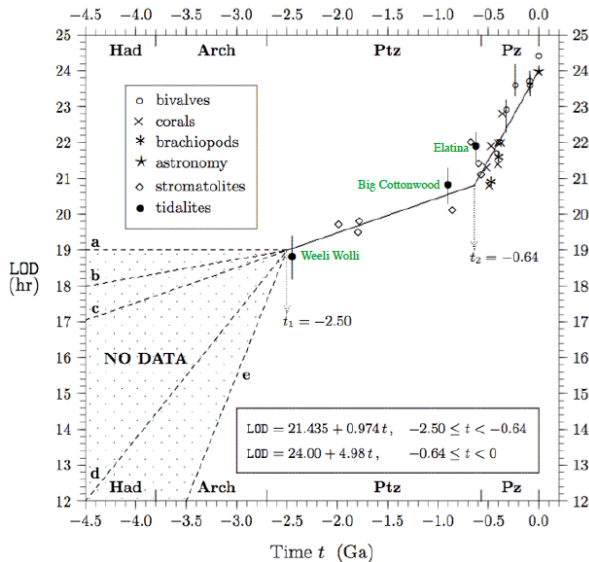
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(A book title, 2003)

2.5 The Moon: Change on Earth rotation (sediments)



(Carlo Denis)

Graphics:
Length of Day (LOD, hr)
vs. Time (10^9 yrs)

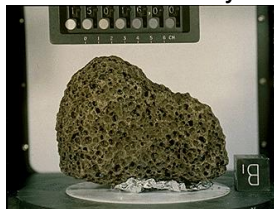
before 600 Mio. yrs:
(Dinosaurs)
length of day =
19-20 hrs

before 2 bil. yrs:
length of day:
19-20 hrs

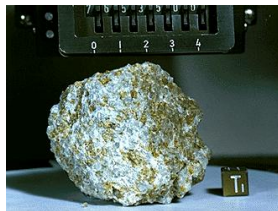
kink:
Continental drift ?
length at beginning:
16-17 hrs

2.5 The Moon: Age of lunar surface

Analyses of rocks from Apollo missions



Mare: few craters, relative young
3.1 - 3.8 bil. yrs old
late heavy bombardement,
example basalt



Crater: 4-4.5 bil. yrs,
1. example magnesium
rich
rich in olivine, pyroxene
2. example anorthosite
(Feldspat Plagioklas)

radioactive age determination:

cristallisation of the magma ocean before 4.5 bil. yrs,

Age of Solar System: approx. 4.57 bil. yrs,

Moon about 30-40 mio. yrs younger than Earth

2.5 The Moon: Basics of Formation

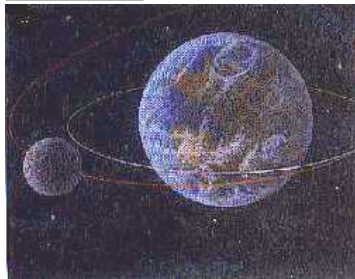
Features to explain:

- Angular momentum of Earth-Moon system (very high compared to other satellite systems)
- very iron content (low lunar density)
- late formation (30 mio. yrs after Solar System origin)
- Oxygen isotopic composition identical to Earth
- volatile elements have lower abundance

4 suggested formation scenarios:

- Capture
- Double planet
- Fission
- Impact

a) Capture



- not very likely
- dynamically difficult
- element abundances

b) Double planet



- inclination of Earth/Moon
- difference in density
- angular momentum

2.5 The Moon: Szenarios II

c) Fission



- + low iron abundances
- + Oxygen fraction
- need 2.5 hrs Earth rotation
- volatile elements

Impact theory: (Hartmann & Davis, 1975; Cameron & Ward, 1976)

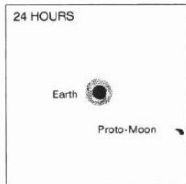
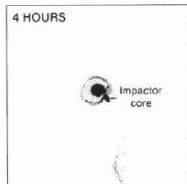
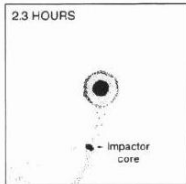
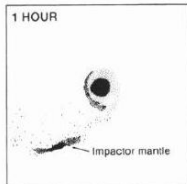
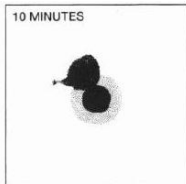
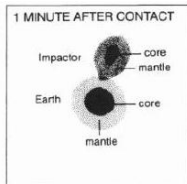
- predominant theory today
- probability of impact
- need impact of mars sized body: **Theia**

d) Impact



- + density difference
- + oxygen
- + volatile elements
- + angular momentum

2.5 The Moon: The impact scenario



Simulation:

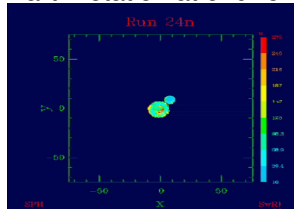
Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics

color coding:

heating of the material

Simulation time: 24 hrs,

Earth rotation at end: 5 hrs



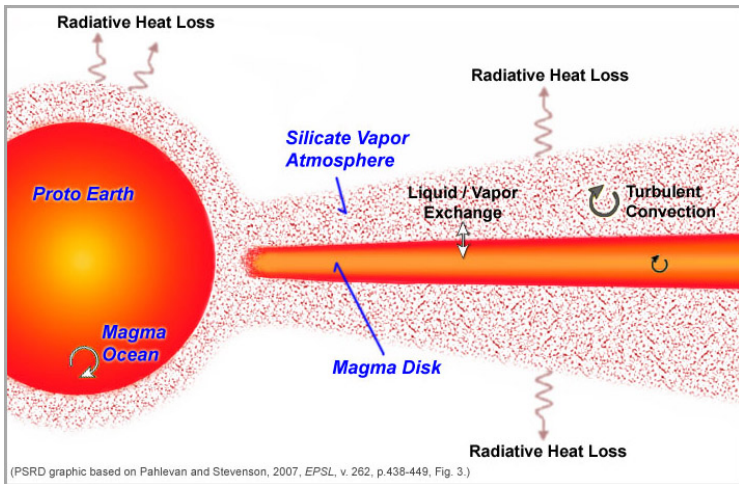
(Canup & Asphaug, 2001)

Problem:

- identical oxygen isotope abundances Moon-Earth
- But: Moon is composed only of Impactor material

(Benz & Cameron, 1986-1991)

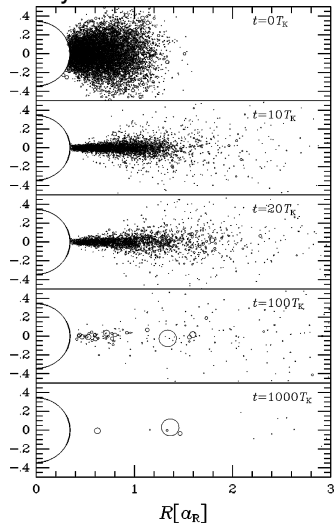
2.5 The Moon: Lunar accretion disk



Well mixed materials in proto-lunar accretion disk Only works well for volatile elements not for refractory but Tungsten and Titan abundances also identical (Touboul et al. 2007, Chang et al. 2012) ⇒ Still problems

2.5 The Moon: Moon formation

N-body accretion simulations for moon formation



(Kokubo ea. 2000)

Unit of time:

Period at Roche limit ($a_R = 2.9R_{\oplus}$)
here about 7 hrs.

unit of length:

Roche limit a_R

circles:

proportional to particles size

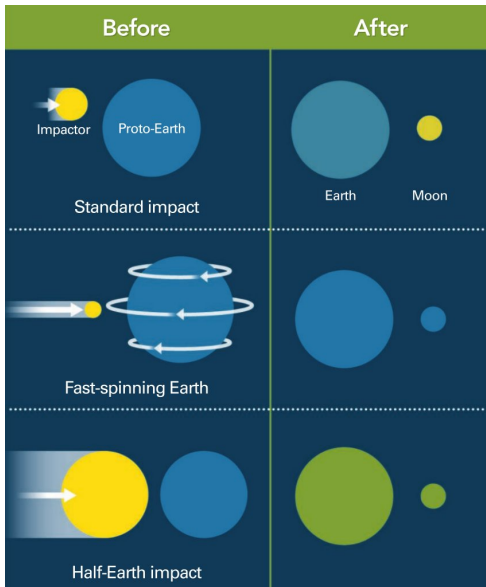
Formation time of Moon:

about 1 month

Problems:

- spreading of material
- Mass in disk
- small initial distance
- Moon initially hot
(shrinking upon cooling, cracks)

2.5 The Moon: Variations of model



Schematic classification of impact

Top:

Standard → Moon has different composition as Earth (but using velocity impact (Reuffer, 2012) → Moon has only small part of Theia

Middle:

Fast rotating Earth ⇒ well mixed (Cuk & Stewart, 2012)

Bottom:

Large body ⇒ very good mix of both material (Canup, 2012)

(Clery, Science, 2013)

2.5 The Moon: Impact of large body

Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics Simulation (300.000 particles)

Two bodies with about 45 and 55% mass of today's Earth
with more angular momentum (a.m.) than today's system

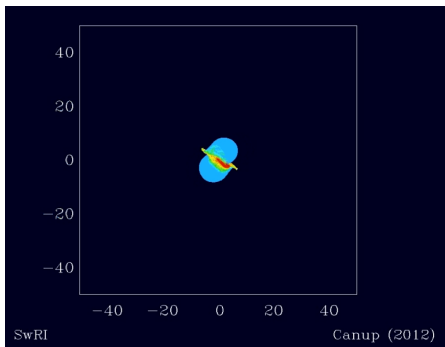
(a.m. loss by 'evection resonance')

(allows for more freedom in impact parameter)

Color coding: temperature of material (from 2000 to over 6440 K)

about 3 lunar masses remain in disk around Earth → moon formation

(Canup, 2012)



2.5 The Moon: Fast rotating Earth

Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics Simulations

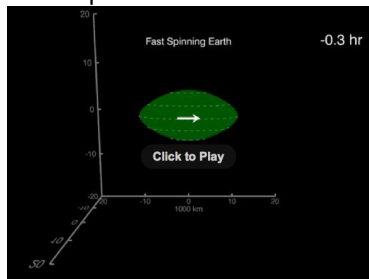
Two bodies with Earth and Mars mass

with more a.m. than today's systems (Earth rotates faster)

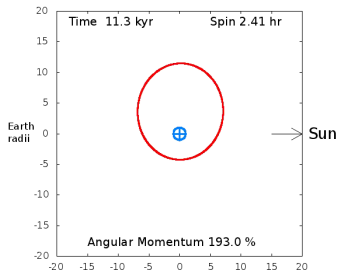
- allows more freedom with impact parameter
(a.m. loss by 'evection resonance')

about 2-3 lunar masses remain in disk around Earth → moon formation
(Cuk & Stewart, 2012)

The impact



Evection Resonance ($\omega_{prec} = \Omega_{\oplus}$)



Still an active area of research !