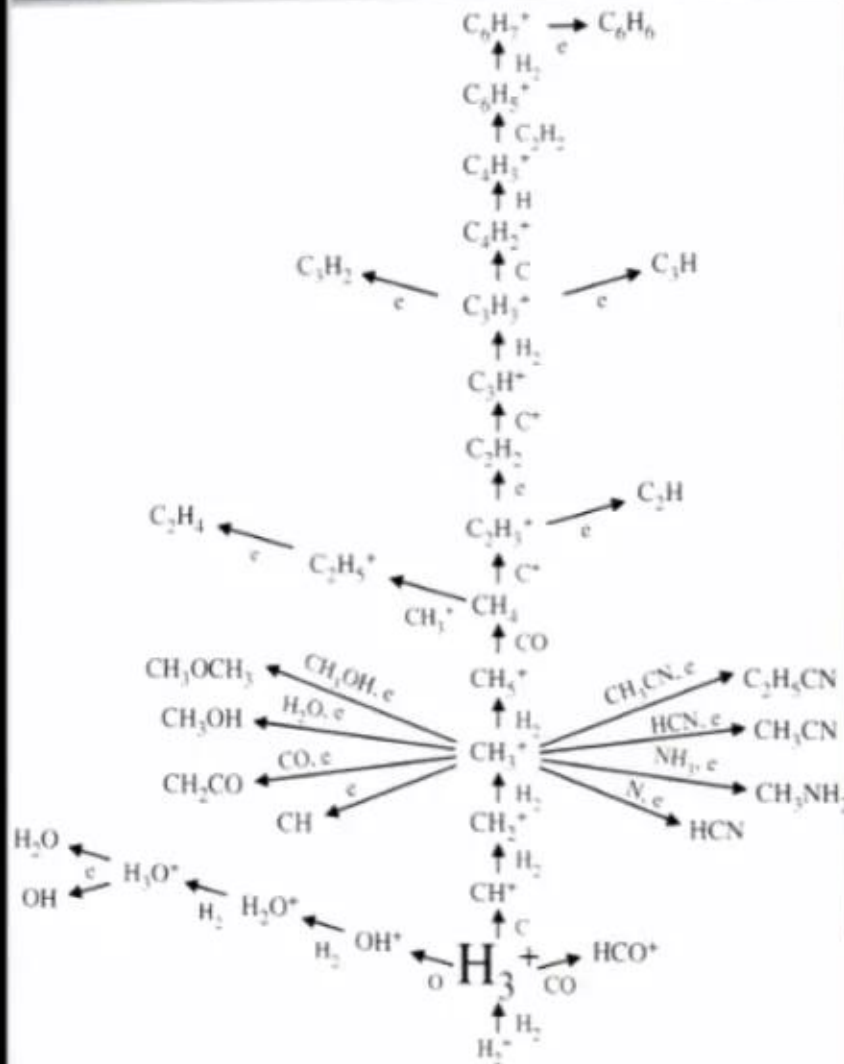




# THE ISM IS A STRANGE PLACE



Caltech

1  
00:00:10,299 --> 00:00:08,170  
good so yeah this is going to be a

2  
00:00:11,529 --> 00:00:10,309  
pretty big talk because we're going to

3  
00:00:14,140 --> 00:00:11,539  
try to cover everything from

4  
00:00:16,299 --> 00:00:14,150  
astrochemistry to emerging worlds in 12

5  
00:00:17,890 --> 00:00:16,309  
minutes so normally when I think of

6  
00:00:19,599 --> 00:00:17,900  
these two topics the sort of common

7  
00:00:23,099 --> 00:00:19,609  
theme is astronomy these are things we

8  
00:00:30,609 --> 00:00:23,109  
study with astronomy or astrophysics and

9  
00:00:32,499 --> 00:00:30,619  
now we wait yes all right so if you

10  
00:00:34,770 --> 00:00:32,509  
think about the circle of life a lot of

11  
00:00:36,700 --> 00:00:34,780  
biologists geologists and here but for

12  
00:00:39,240 --> 00:00:36,710  
astronomers the circle of life is

13  
00:00:42,400 --> 00:00:39,250

something very different stars explode

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00:00:44,710 --> 00:00:42,410

materials blasted out into the is M it

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00:00:47,170 --> 00:00:44,720

then Cole messes again into gas clouds

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00:00:49,660 --> 00:00:47,180

these clouds start to collapse you form

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00:00:51,820 --> 00:00:49,670

a protostar and a disk around it this

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00:00:54,460 --> 00:00:51,830

disk starts the segregate out you form

19

00:00:57,190 --> 00:00:54,470

distinct bodies comets meteors and

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00:00:59,470 --> 00:00:57,200

obviously planets you deliver material

21

00:01:01,330 --> 00:00:59,480

to the planets and then you start to

22

00:01:03,640 --> 00:01:01,340

form habit of habitable worlds and

23

00:01:07,090 --> 00:01:03,650

eventually you get to life but this is a

24

00:01:08,770 --> 00:01:07,100

very big and complex topic so we're

25

00:01:11,320 --> 00:01:08,780

going to go through some of these stages

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00:01:13,810 --> 00:01:11,330

one by one so the first one is the

27

00:01:16,600 --> 00:01:13,820

astronomers periodic table so this is

28

00:01:19,420 --> 00:01:16,610

scaled by the abundance so the bigger

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00:01:21,610 --> 00:01:19,430

the square the more abundant it is so if

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00:01:23,469 --> 00:01:21,620

you're an astronomer most of your world

31

00:01:25,540 --> 00:01:23,479

is hydrogen almost all of the universe

32

00:01:28,840 --> 00:01:25,550

is hydrogen there is a decent amount of

33

00:01:31,719 --> 00:01:28,850

helium and then the metals oxygen carbon

34

00:01:34,120 --> 00:01:31,729

nitrogen silicon iron make up a tiny

35

00:01:35,560 --> 00:01:34,130

fraction and then everything else so the

36

00:01:37,450 --> 00:01:35,570

interesting things like phosphorus that

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00:01:40,330 --> 00:01:37,460

are required for life is this tiny

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00:01:42,070 --> 00:01:40,340

square down here at the bottom oxygen

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00:01:44,440 --> 00:01:42,080

and carbon or a factor of 10,000 down

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00:01:47,680 --> 00:01:44,450

from hydrogen the metals are even

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00:01:49,359 --> 00:01:47,690

further down and the dust and ice the

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00:01:52,450 --> 00:01:49,369

solid parts of the universe are only

43

00:01:53,770 --> 00:01:52,460

about 1% of the observable mass so this

44

00:01:56,170 --> 00:01:53,780

is very different than what we're used

45

00:01:58,480 --> 00:01:56,180

to and it's actually a very strange

46

00:02:02,710 --> 00:01:58,490

place so most of the universe the

47

00:02:04,120 --> 00:02:02,720

diffuse is M is atomic so most of most

48

00:02:06,609 --> 00:02:04,130

of the matter is just hydrogen atoms

49

00:02:08,109 --> 00:02:06,619

that all of your carbon is ionized and

50

00:02:10,839 --> 00:02:08,119

there's a decent amount of electrons as

51  
00:02:13,660 --> 00:02:10,849  
you go to more dense and dense regions

52  
00:02:15,010 --> 00:02:13,670  
where the gas starts to shield itself

53  
00:02:17,500 --> 00:02:15,020  
and there's less dissociation you

54  
00:02:19,270 --> 00:02:17,510  
actually start to get neutral carbon and

55  
00:02:22,510 --> 00:02:19,280  
eventually you transition into

56  
00:02:24,790 --> 00:02:22,520  
to hetero diatomics actual molecules but

57  
00:02:29,410 --> 00:02:24,800  
it takes quite a while and this is

58  
00:02:31,870 --> 00:02:29,420  
actually most of the is M so the way the

59  
00:02:33,850 --> 00:02:31,880  
dust and gas sort of follows is it

60  
00:02:36,400 --> 00:02:33,860  
starts by coal messing into a dense

61  
00:02:40,449 --> 00:02:36,410  
cloud and then it'll start to collapse

62  
00:02:42,520 --> 00:02:40,459  
so this is about 10,000 au across so an

63  
00:02:46,210 --> 00:02:42,530

au is the distance from the earth to the

64

00:02:48,820 --> 00:02:46,220

Sun so its enormous I this this is our

65

00:02:51,610 --> 00:02:48,830

start whoops this is our start point

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00:02:54,220 --> 00:02:51,620

right here after about ten thousand to a

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00:02:55,810 --> 00:02:54,230

hundred thousand years the gas starts to

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00:02:58,000 --> 00:02:55,820

collapse you get a star forming in the

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00:02:59,740 --> 00:02:58,010

center and you get an envelope around it

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00:03:03,130 --> 00:02:59,750

that slowly starts to fall in and you

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00:03:05,620 --> 00:03:03,140

get a disc in the center with a star so

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00:03:07,420 --> 00:03:05,630

this takes a few thousand years and it

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00:03:09,040 --> 00:03:07,430

starts to collapse down to only a few

74

00:03:11,320 --> 00:03:09,050

hundred au so starting to look like a

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00:03:13,840 --> 00:03:11,330

solar system then we move on to the

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00:03:16,449 --> 00:03:13,850

protoplanet dirt a protoplanetary disc

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00:03:18,070 --> 00:03:16,459

phase this will take several hundred

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00:03:19,990 --> 00:03:18,080

thousand to a few million years to

79

00:03:22,059 --> 00:03:20,000

complete and now we're actually on solar

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00:03:24,580 --> 00:03:22,069

system scale so this is when the gas

81

00:03:27,670 --> 00:03:24,590

collapses down into a flat disk around

82

00:03:29,979 --> 00:03:27,680

the star it then it starts to segregate

83

00:03:32,860 --> 00:03:29,989

into planets and eventually we end up

84

00:03:34,780 --> 00:03:32,870

with a solar system this takes somewhere

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00:03:37,780 --> 00:03:34,790

in the neighborhood of fifty million

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00:03:40,780 --> 00:03:37,790

years to complete so astrochemistry

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00:03:42,280 --> 00:03:40,790

mostly takes place in big gas clouds so

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00:03:44,560 --> 00:03:42,290

once things are ejected from the star

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00:03:46,180 --> 00:03:44,570

they're mostly atomized or solid pieces

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00:03:48,640 --> 00:03:46,190

of dust and we have to build everything

91

00:03:51,729 --> 00:03:48,650

back up to the big complicated molecules

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00:03:53,949 --> 00:03:51,739

we see in meteorites and comets today so

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00:03:56,050 --> 00:03:53,959

the mass is something like ten thousand

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00:03:57,759 --> 00:03:56,060

to a million solar masses its enormous

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00:04:00,789 --> 00:03:57,769

and most of the mass doesn't end up in

96

00:04:03,970 --> 00:04:00,799

the solar system is just it's remnant

97

00:04:06,520 --> 00:04:03,980

dust it's a few hundred parsecs across

98

00:04:08,380 --> 00:04:06,530

the density is tiny it's only a hundred

99

00:04:11,050 --> 00:04:08,390

molecules per cubic centimeter and it's

100

00:04:12,430 --> 00:04:11,060

lonely ramps up to maybe a million for

101

00:04:14,860 --> 00:04:12,440

reference the air we're breathing right

102

00:04:17,860 --> 00:04:14,870

now is 10 to the 19 molecules per cubic

103

00:04:19,990 --> 00:04:17,870

centimeter so it's we cannot make a

104

00:04:22,659 --> 00:04:20,000

vacuum here on earth that is as good as

105

00:04:24,730 --> 00:04:22,669

anything in space it's incredibly

106

00:04:26,950 --> 00:04:24,740

diffuse and the temperature starts at

107

00:04:30,089 --> 00:04:26,960

about 10 Kelvin and slowly ramps up as

108

00:04:32,380 --> 00:04:30,099

the star turns on so astrochemistry is

109

00:04:33,170 --> 00:04:32,390

sort of an interplay between three

110

00:04:35,779 --> 00:04:33,180

things my

111

00:04:38,840 --> 00:04:35,789

pretoria astrophysics where we take

112

00:04:43,040 --> 00:04:38,850

spectra measure things we need either

113

00:04:45,200 --> 00:04:43,050

spectra or kinetics for understanding

114

00:04:47,840 --> 00:04:45,210

what we see ask your chemical modeling

115

00:04:49,820 --> 00:04:47,850

where we basically create models of how

116

00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:49,830

chemistry is going to occur in the is M

117

00:04:55,670 --> 00:04:52,800

this lets us understand the observations

118

00:04:57,860 --> 00:04:55,680

we see and feeds back to giving us new

119

00:04:59,360 --> 00:04:57,870

species to look for and you know

120

00:05:01,279 --> 00:04:59,370

reaction intermediates things that could

121

00:05:03,469 --> 00:05:01,289

lead to more interesting things like the

122

00:05:05,300 --> 00:05:03,479

building blocks of life and then

123

00:05:07,760 --> 00:05:05,310

observational astronomy is where we do

124

00:05:08,510 --> 00:05:07,770

our version of lab work this is where

125

00:05:11,890 --> 00:05:08,520

we're actually going to go out and

126

00:05:14,360 --> 00:05:11,900

observe things will I get abundances

127

00:05:15,890 --> 00:05:14,370

distributions temperatures of molecules

128

00:05:18,320 --> 00:05:15,900

understand what they are where they're

129

00:05:21,080 --> 00:05:18,330

going and get some ideas of how they

130

00:05:23,779 --> 00:05:21,090

formed and this all sort of feeds back

131

00:05:25,850 --> 00:05:23,789

together and slowly we start to build up

132

00:05:29,089 --> 00:05:25,860

an understanding of the chemistry that's

133

00:05:32,180 --> 00:05:29,099

happening so the chemistry that happens

134

00:05:35,120 --> 00:05:32,190

is actually not like anything you'll see

135

00:05:38,540 --> 00:05:35,130

on earth things like  $H_3$  plus  $h_3$  o

136

00:05:40,370 --> 00:05:38,550

plus  $c_2h_5$  plus most of the gas phase

137

00:05:42,140 --> 00:05:40,380

chemistry happens through ions that you

138

00:05:45,170 --> 00:05:42,150

could never that are extremely difficult

139

00:05:46,879 --> 00:05:45,180

to make in a lab and we do all of our

140

00:05:51,529 --> 00:05:46,889

work detecting them almost exclusively

141

00:05:54,140 --> 00:05:51,539

with radio astronomy so so far we have

142

00:05:56,870 --> 00:05:54,150

identified 180 molecules give or take in

143

00:06:00,110 --> 00:05:56,880

space see most of them are one or two

144

00:06:02,450 --> 00:06:00,120

three four Adam almost all the big

145

00:06:04,279 --> 00:06:02,460

molecules that we've detected have been

146

00:06:07,870 --> 00:06:04,289

through radio astronomy with the

147

00:06:11,390 --> 00:06:07,880

exception of c60 and c70 buckyballs and

148

00:06:12,950 --> 00:06:11,400

so the interesting thing here is one as

149

00:06:15,740 --> 00:06:12,960

they get bigger they get much more

150

00:06:16,939 --> 00:06:15,750

difficult to detect you see the two and

151  
00:06:19,129 --> 00:06:16,949  
three Adam ones are actually pretty easy

152  
00:06:21,050 --> 00:06:19,139  
but as you get past six things start to

153  
00:06:22,550 --> 00:06:21,060  
get very difficult and the other really

154  
00:06:24,379 --> 00:06:22,560  
interesting that's come I think this

155  
00:06:26,330 --> 00:06:24,389  
come out of astrochemistry in the last

156  
00:06:28,189 --> 00:06:26,340  
couple years is that anything more

157  
00:06:30,740 --> 00:06:28,199  
complicated than about methanol anything

158  
00:06:33,620 --> 00:06:30,750  
six atoms are above generally has to be

159  
00:06:35,240 --> 00:06:33,630  
made on a grain surface reactions in the

160  
00:06:37,879 --> 00:06:35,250  
gas phase can make a certain set of

161  
00:06:39,710 --> 00:06:37,889  
molecules but the big molecules are

162  
00:06:42,379 --> 00:06:39,720  
extremely difficult to make unless

163  
00:06:43,850 --> 00:06:42,389

you're on a nice so the way this

164

00:06:45,740 --> 00:06:43,860

generally works is you have little

165

00:06:46,940 --> 00:06:45,750

silica dust grains that are floating

166

00:06:48,980 --> 00:06:46,950

around they condense it

167

00:06:51,770 --> 00:06:48,990

few layers of ice and then you can think

168

00:06:53,870 --> 00:06:51,780

you would create one molecule another I

169

00:06:55,190 --> 00:06:53,880

absorbs onto the surface they roam

170

00:06:56,810 --> 00:06:55,200

around and find each other and make

171

00:06:58,970 --> 00:06:56,820

molecules and this is the way we start

172

00:07:00,650 --> 00:06:58,980

to build up all of the big molecules so

173

00:07:02,990 --> 00:07:00,660

the amino acids purines pyrimidines

174

00:07:05,090 --> 00:07:03,000

things that you see in like the

175

00:07:08,360 --> 00:07:05,100

Murchison meteorite all have to be made

176  
00:07:10,460 --> 00:07:08,370  
through this process after that we move

177  
00:07:12,650 --> 00:07:10,470  
on to the protoplanetary disc phase all

178  
00:07:15,680 --> 00:07:12,660  
of the material that was made in the ice

179  
00:07:18,950 --> 00:07:15,690  
and dust I secreted into a flats or

180  
00:07:20,720 --> 00:07:18,960  
flared plane around a protostar so this

181  
00:07:22,310 --> 00:07:20,730  
is sort of a couple cartoons of what

182  
00:07:24,860 --> 00:07:22,320  
that ends up looking like so you have a

183  
00:07:26,900 --> 00:07:24,870  
central star as it turns on it blasts

184  
00:07:29,600 --> 00:07:26,910  
all the material around the star away so

185  
00:07:31,220 --> 00:07:29,610  
there's a big gap and the materials are

186  
00:07:34,310 --> 00:07:31,230  
created through magnetic accretion there

187  
00:07:38,090 --> 00:07:34,320  
as you move out you get thick layers of

188  
00:07:40,040 --> 00:07:38,100

dust and so you get a series of

189

00:07:42,200 --> 00:07:40,050

complicated processes so you have

190

00:07:44,210 --> 00:07:42,210

vertical and horizontal mixing that

191

00:07:46,640 --> 00:07:44,220

takes matter from the top of the disk

192

00:07:48,710 --> 00:07:46,650

down and back up and then horizontally

193

00:07:51,230 --> 00:07:48,720

towards the edge or back towards the

194

00:07:53,540 --> 00:07:51,240

center of the disk the edges of the disk

195

00:07:54,830 --> 00:07:53,550

are extremely warm as is the front of

196

00:07:56,990 --> 00:07:54,840

the disk but as you move to the center

197

00:07:59,150 --> 00:07:57,000

it cools down this is where all your ice

198

00:08:02,240 --> 00:07:59,160

and dust are going to be and this is

199

00:08:04,550 --> 00:08:02,250

where small bits of dust will start to

200

00:08:06,200 --> 00:08:04,560

stick together and form bigger and

201  
00:08:08,960 --> 00:08:06,210  
bigger pieces that eventually become

202  
00:08:11,750 --> 00:08:08,970  
planets so understanding this is

203  
00:08:13,070 --> 00:08:11,760  
extremely complicated and this actually

204  
00:08:15,590 --> 00:08:13,080  
ends up determining a lot of your

205  
00:08:17,120 --> 00:08:15,600  
inventory for the planets meteorites

206  
00:08:19,640 --> 00:08:17,130  
comets that you're going to see in a

207  
00:08:21,560 --> 00:08:19,650  
planetary system and one of the big keys

208  
00:08:23,090 --> 00:08:21,570  
here is where the snow lines forms as

209  
00:08:25,790 --> 00:08:23,100  
you move further and further out water

210  
00:08:27,440 --> 00:08:25,800  
freezes out first then co2 then

211  
00:08:30,710 --> 00:08:27,450  
eventually CO and then eventually you

212  
00:08:33,440 --> 00:08:30,720  
start to drift into interstellar space

213  
00:08:35,089 --> 00:08:33,450

and so where each one of these forms is

214

00:08:37,100 --> 00:08:35,099

going to determine a lot of the

215

00:08:39,890 --> 00:08:37,110

condensable matter that's available to

216

00:08:41,839 --> 00:08:39,900

be put into a planetary body so it has a

217

00:08:43,700 --> 00:08:41,849

huge effect on the solar systems that

218

00:08:45,830 --> 00:08:43,710

will come out of it and has a huge

219

00:08:47,990 --> 00:08:45,840

amount the gradients you see are varied

220

00:08:49,580 --> 00:08:48,000

to turn out very much determined by the

221

00:08:52,760 --> 00:08:49,590

star in the center and the total mass

222

00:08:54,260 --> 00:08:52,770

that goes into this so one of the really

223

00:08:56,750 --> 00:08:54,270

cool results that's come out very

224

00:08:58,940 --> 00:08:56,760

recently this is the atacama large

225

00:09:00,710 --> 00:08:58,950

millimeter array has finally imaged a

226

00:09:02,990 --> 00:09:00,720

protoplanetary disc this is sort of

227

00:09:04,309 --> 00:09:03,000

brand new science that's being done this

228

00:09:06,319 --> 00:09:04,319

is actually believe it or not the first

229

00:09:08,269 --> 00:09:06,329

time we've ever really observed a disk

230

00:09:10,220 --> 00:09:08,279

that has gaps in it so we've always

231

00:09:12,710 --> 00:09:10,230

known that in somewhere in the

232

00:09:14,240 --> 00:09:12,720

transition between a disk to a planetary

233

00:09:16,879 --> 00:09:14,250

system you have to form gaps small

234

00:09:18,590 --> 00:09:16,889

bodies start to form you get less

235

00:09:20,030 --> 00:09:18,600

emission and eventually they have to

236

00:09:21,259 --> 00:09:20,040

become planets but we've never seen it

237

00:09:23,749 --> 00:09:21,269

before so this was actually really

238

00:09:25,970 --> 00:09:23,759

amazing and so the really cool thing is

239

00:09:28,879 --> 00:09:25,980

if you look at where there is less dust

240

00:09:31,040 --> 00:09:28,889

so red is more dust emission the dark

241

00:09:32,929 --> 00:09:31,050

spots are where it's not that we've lost

242

00:09:35,269 --> 00:09:32,939

the dust it's that the dust is stuck

243

00:09:36,860 --> 00:09:35,279

together so now the surface area that

244

00:09:39,350 --> 00:09:36,870

can be emitting is much smaller and

245

00:09:41,869 --> 00:09:39,360

you're starting to form icy bodies and

246

00:09:43,910 --> 00:09:41,879

if you plot these these rings where

247

00:09:46,639 --> 00:09:43,920

we've lost emission they match up

248

00:09:50,980 --> 00:09:46,649

perfectly with the ice fronts for water

249

00:09:53,960 --> 00:09:50,990

ammonia and larger hydrated minerals so

250

00:09:55,460 --> 00:09:53,970

all of the chemistry that's happening

251

00:09:58,550 --> 00:09:55,470

and the physics of the discs are

252

00:10:00,139 --> 00:09:58,560

basically readily observable here and

253

00:10:04,189 --> 00:10:00,149

you can start to see how this affects

254

00:10:07,009 --> 00:10:04,199

the entire solar system and so from here

255

00:10:08,960 --> 00:10:07,019

what's going to happen is it's a very

256

00:10:11,660 --> 00:10:08,970

complicated process but now we have a

257

00:10:15,290 --> 00:10:11,670

solar system that's evolved from large

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00:10:18,230 --> 00:10:15,300

large cloud of pre planetary material

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00:10:19,970 --> 00:10:18,240

all of this is driven by chemistry that

260

00:10:22,009 --> 00:10:19,980

happened in the cloud almost all of the

261

00:10:23,780 --> 00:10:22,019

condensable material is formed in the

262

00:10:25,910 --> 00:10:23,790

cloud as it heats up and as it collapses

263

00:10:28,309 --> 00:10:25,920

and so what's going to happen is now you

264

00:10:31,840 --> 00:10:28,319

formed a planetary disc all the

265

00:10:34,400 --> 00:10:31,850

planetary bodies that existed I've now

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00:10:36,439 --> 00:10:34,410

condensed and now you in enter the

267

00:10:38,540 --> 00:10:36,449

debris disk in heavy bombardment period

268

00:10:40,850 --> 00:10:38,550

so now you have planets and now we start

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00:10:43,249 --> 00:10:40,860

delivering organic material to them from

270

00:10:45,079 --> 00:10:43,259

the disk that was formed and this is

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00:10:47,840 --> 00:10:45,089

going to provide the feedstock for the

272

00:10:50,329 --> 00:10:47,850

planetary system so this is how things

273

00:10:52,069 --> 00:10:50,339

like Earth get their water and their

274

00:10:54,170 --> 00:10:52,079

organic material this is where Murchison

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00:10:59,030 --> 00:10:54,180

comes from and this will be the starting

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00:11:15,540 --> 00:10:59,040

point for evolving life on a planet all

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00:11:22,090 --> 00:11:19,150

some people talk about the lack of

278

00:11:25,840 --> 00:11:22,100

source of energies to for reformation of

279

00:11:30,309 --> 00:11:25,850

some molecules based on temperature but

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00:11:34,300 --> 00:11:30,319

as you mentioned dark but they make good

281

00:11:36,460 --> 00:11:34,310

form in sterile conditions and then

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00:11:39,759 --> 00:11:36,470

trash transfer to somewhere else or

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00:11:43,030 --> 00:11:39,769

there are cosmic rays which which effect

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00:11:45,850 --> 00:11:43,040

is dominant because based on papers and

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00:11:49,590 --> 00:11:45,860

preliminary papers is just there talking

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00:11:52,449 --> 00:11:49,600

about temperatures and they're trying to

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00:11:54,009 --> 00:11:52,459

model the same conditions based on

288

00:11:56,290 --> 00:11:54,019

temperature but as you said there are a

289

00:11:59,139 --> 00:11:56,300

lot of sorts of energies and then they

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00:12:01,030 --> 00:11:59,149

they can get energy from there yeah so I

291

00:12:04,749 --> 00:12:01,040

this is a lot of stuff i glossed over

292

00:12:06,730 --> 00:12:04,759

but I just even in a disc so you have UV

293

00:12:08,019 --> 00:12:06,740

and x-ray photons doing a lot of work on

294

00:12:11,710 --> 00:12:08,029

the edge of the disc but you also have

295

00:12:12,970 --> 00:12:11,720

cosmic rays that so for those of you who

296

00:12:14,860 --> 00:12:12,980

don't know cosmic rays are just

297

00:12:17,290 --> 00:12:14,870

high-energy particles they can be

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00:12:20,559 --> 00:12:17,300

electrons or protons things like that so

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00:12:21,939 --> 00:12:20,569

they cosmic rays are always present we

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00:12:23,530 --> 00:12:21,949

know they have to be doing some of the

301  
00:12:24,790 --> 00:12:23,540  
chemistry but it really depends on where

302  
00:12:27,460 --> 00:12:24,800  
you're talking about if you're talking

303  
00:12:29,079 --> 00:12:27,470  
about in a dense cold core when the star

304  
00:12:31,240 --> 00:12:29,089  
hasn't turned on than cosmic rays or a

305  
00:12:33,490 --> 00:12:31,250  
dominant source of energy for the system

306  
00:12:35,650 --> 00:12:33,500  
as the star turns on if you're close to

307  
00:12:36,579 --> 00:12:35,660  
the star obviously temperature gradients

308  
00:12:39,250 --> 00:12:36,589  
are going to drive a lot of the

309  
00:12:40,480 --> 00:12:39,260  
chemistry UV photons so it really

310  
00:12:42,519 --> 00:12:40,490  
depends on where you're talking about

311  
00:12:44,980 --> 00:12:42,529  
but all of those are very valid sources

312  
00:12:47,379 --> 00:12:44,990  
of energy it's just the dominant source

313  
00:12:50,139 --> 00:12:47,389

changes depending because we're going

314

00:12:52,660 --> 00:12:50,149

from several you know tens of thousands

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00:12:54,660 --> 00:12:52,670

of solar masses down to a few hundred to

316

00:12:57,639 --> 00:12:54,670

make a planetary system most of this

317

00:13:00,100 --> 00:12:57,649

it's huge orders of magnitude scale

318

00:13:02,530 --> 00:13:00,110

process so it really depends on where

319

00:13:04,540 --> 00:13:02,540

you are so you always can get energy for

320

00:13:07,090 --> 00:13:04,550

the reaction yes yeah there's always

321

00:13:09,939 --> 00:13:07,100

there there's always some source whether

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00:13:12,550 --> 00:13:09,949

it's enough to drive in a cold region or

323

00:13:14,590 --> 00:13:12,560

in a dense cold cloud you generally

324

00:13:16,809 --> 00:13:14,600

don't have a ton you of the outside is

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00:13:17,950 --> 00:13:16,819

externally irradiated by UV photons but

326

00:13:19,960 --> 00:13:17,960

cosmic rays

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00:13:22,020 --> 00:13:19,970

have taken really low cross sections

328

00:13:24,310 --> 00:13:22,030

they'll penetrate very far into a cloud

329

00:13:26,050 --> 00:13:24,320

so there's always some source but it

330

00:13:38,680 --> 00:13:26,060

changes very much depending on where you

331

00:13:41,380 --> 00:13:38,690

are okay thanks awesome a great warm-up

332

00:13:42,580 --> 00:13:41,390

talk Brandon that was great you said

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00:13:44,640 --> 00:13:42,590

that we can't make a vacuum on earth

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00:13:46,840 --> 00:13:44,650

that is anything like that of space

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00:13:48,160 --> 00:13:46,850

could you throw some numbers at that

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00:13:50,440 --> 00:13:48,170

like I'm trying to wrap my mind around

337

00:13:53,440 --> 00:13:50,450

what a vacuum would be in like the

338

00:13:54,970 --> 00:13:53,450

dispersal of molecules versus the vacuum

339

00:13:57,340 --> 00:13:54,980

of space and the vacuum of space

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00:14:00,220 --> 00:13:57,350

especially if you're talking the really

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00:14:03,190 --> 00:14:00,230

diffuse is M is like 10 molecules per

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00:14:05,440 --> 00:14:03,200

cubic centimeter I trying to think we

343

00:14:08,940 --> 00:14:05,450

are at what one atmosphere right now and

344

00:14:11,380 --> 00:14:08,950

that's 10 to the 19 we can get down to a

345

00:14:13,510 --> 00:14:11,390

few hundreds of thousands millions of

346

00:14:15,910 --> 00:14:13,520

that but we're still orders a magnitude

347

00:14:17,530 --> 00:14:15,920

away it's actually really difficult to

348

00:14:18,880 --> 00:14:17,540

pump all the hydrogen and helium out

349

00:14:20,080 --> 00:14:18,890

because they just keep coming back

350

00:14:21,910 --> 00:14:20,090

they're tiny and they're really

351

00:14:25,920 --> 00:14:21,920

difficult to get out of the system so

352

00:14:29,410 --> 00:14:25,930

they're really yeah well at the mean

353

00:14:31,090 --> 00:14:29,420

many orders of magnitude it's just it's

354

00:14:32,740 --> 00:14:31,100

impossible with so much crap around

355

00:14:34,840 --> 00:14:32,750

everything finds its way back and

356

00:14:36,580 --> 00:14:34,850

eventually it's really tough well that

357

00:14:43,030 --> 00:14:36,590

was fantastic that was my big mind

358

00:14:45,160 --> 00:14:43,040

opening moment of the day okay oh hi

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00:14:48,240 --> 00:14:45,170

Brenda nam OU the end of the talk you

360

00:14:51,130 --> 00:14:48,250

mentioned how protoplanetary disks are

361

00:14:54,490 --> 00:14:51,140

responsible for the chemistry of life on

362

00:14:57,040 --> 00:14:54,500

Earth d well the disks are the discs are

363

00:14:59,140 --> 00:14:57,050

remnants of the original molecular cloud

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00:15:01,720 --> 00:14:59,150

so the inventory there is at least

365

00:15:04,570 --> 00:15:01,730

partially driven by what happened in the

366

00:15:06,130 --> 00:15:04,580

cloud as it collapsed and me this is a

367

00:15:08,170 --> 00:15:06,140

dynamic process so there's a lot that

368

00:15:10,270 --> 00:15:08,180

goes on even in the protoplanetary disk

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00:15:12,550 --> 00:15:10,280

phase yeah okay but you mentioned that

370

00:15:15,130 --> 00:15:12,560

that is responsible for what we see on

371

00:15:17,410 --> 00:15:15,140

the chemistry or not well it's a

372

00:15:19,990 --> 00:15:17,420

feedstock it's your starting point okay

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00:15:22,840 --> 00:15:20,000

so let's see if I have this tucked

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00:15:26,920 --> 00:15:22,850

somewhere away yeah so if you look at

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00:15:28,990 --> 00:15:26,930

the dth ratio the protostar is the dth

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00:15:31,150 --> 00:15:29,000

ratio is the sort of interstellar 10 to

377

00:15:31,439 --> 00:15:31,160

the minus 5 earth is up here attending

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00:15:44,909 --> 00:15:31,449

the

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00:15:47,970 --> 00:15:44,919

science paper by also please I just like

380

00:15:50,220 --> 00:15:47,980

water is one of the big things you need

381

00:15:53,099 --> 00:15:50,230

to well at least we think make life on

382

00:15:54,239 --> 00:15:53,109

Earth and that has to come from likely

383

00:15:56,489 --> 00:15:54,249

has to come from the outer solar system

384

00:15:58,799 --> 00:15:56,499

and during the heavy bombardment period

385

00:16:01,379 --> 00:15:58,809

at least partially or and you also said

386

00:16:04,519 --> 00:16:01,389

just before that that you are now able

387

00:16:07,919 --> 00:16:04,529

to see protoplanetary disks

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00:16:11,099 --> 00:16:07,929

protoplanetary disks in this detail so

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00:16:15,150 --> 00:16:11,109

can you get to the chemistry of these

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00:16:16,710 --> 00:16:15,160

disks and perhaps in touch that's yeah

391

00:16:20,280 --> 00:16:16,720

that's so there'll be some talks about

392

00:16:22,829 --> 00:16:20,290

this today but this is this is pushing

393

00:16:25,259 --> 00:16:22,839

the world's best interferometer to its

394

00:16:27,119 --> 00:16:25,269

absolute limit so this is a continuum

395

00:16:28,829 --> 00:16:27,129

image so basically they're just bending

396

00:16:31,409 --> 00:16:28,839

every channel together you have to

397

00:16:35,009 --> 00:16:31,419

actually resolve the spectra to see

398

00:16:36,659 --> 00:16:35,019

molecular lines and so to make images of

399

00:16:38,999 --> 00:16:36,669

a protoplanetary disk where you can

400

00:16:40,499 --> 00:16:39,009

actually sort of image say CEO or

401  
00:16:43,349 --> 00:16:40,509  
methanol or something like that is going

402  
00:16:44,970 --> 00:16:43,359  
to be really tricky okay the next couple

403  
00:16:47,400 --> 00:16:44,980  
decades will be really exciting for that

404  
00:16:49,109 --> 00:16:47,410  
but yeah it's sort of right on the edge

405  
00:16:51,269 --> 00:16:49,119  
of what we're going to be able to do see

406  
00:16:55,919 --> 00:16:51,279  
probably not at this resolution though

407  
00:16:57,659 --> 00:16:55,929  
right thanks all right I think we need