### **Deuterium Fractionation: Fossils**



#### adapted from Messenger 2000

# **Deuterium Fractionation**

- Because of difference in zero-point energy chemical reactions between molecules favor the deuterium bond relative to the hydrogen bond.
- $(D/H)_{ism,lb} = (1.5\pm0.1) x$ 10<sup>-5</sup> Linsky 1998
- Ratio roughly constant with 100 pc (lb: local bubble)
- Shows variations beyond with average value in local galactic disk:

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(D/H)_{ism} > (2.3\pm0.2) \times 10^{-5}
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Linsky et al. 2006



Figure 7.  $H_2$ , HD and  $D_2$  potential energy diagram.  $\Delta E_i$  is the difference between the zero point energies relative to the minimum of the molecular potential curve.

#### Phillips and Vastel 2003

## **Deuterium Fractionation**

 Deuterium fractionation in ISM and in disks starts with the following reaction:

 $H_3^+ + HD \leftrightarrow H_2D^+ + H_2 + 230K.$ 

The rate for this reaction is generally taken as:

$$k_f = 1.5 \times 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$k_r = 2.0 \times 10^{-9} (\frac{T}{300})^{-0.8} exp(-230/T) \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

However, recent lab measurements at 10 K (Gerlich et al. 2002) find:

$$k_r = 4.9 \times 10^{-11}$$
 for nomal H<sub>2</sub> (o:p = 3:1)

$$k_r = 7.3 \times 10^{-13}$$
 for para-H<sub>2</sub>

 $\ref{eq:constraint}$  what happens at 20 K  $\ref{eq:constraint}$ 

# H<sub>2</sub> Equilibrium Ortho/Para Ratio

- D/H ratio will therefore track temperature twice – but o/p dependence is not clear at present
- H<sub>2</sub> ortho/para ratio almost unknown in ISM -- and certainly in disks
- In ISM at the front of shocks where H<sub>2</sub> rotational emission is detected the smallest ratio is ~ 0.1 (Neufeld et al. 2006).



#### **Deuterium Fractionation of Water**



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## Expanded D. Network

Detection of  $NHD_2$  in pre-stellar cores led to a rethink of interstellar dueterium fractionation theory.

Reaction sequence does not stop with  $H_2D^+$ 

$$H_2D^+ + HD \leftrightarrow D_2H^+ + H_2 + 180K.$$
<sup>(1)</sup>

$$D_2H^+ + HD \leftrightarrow D_3^+ + H_2 + 230K.$$
 (2)

Leads to the production of doubly and triply deuterated molecules.  $D_3^+$  may be the dominant ion in the midplane. Expanded D network can be found in Roberts et al. (2004)

### **D** Fractionation in Disks





Ceccarelli and Dominik 2005

# Deuterium Fractionation in Disks

- What happens to D chemistry in a disk:
  - Strong depletion of neutrals in the midplane
  - Low ionization fraction

$$\frac{dn(H_3^+)}{dt} = \zeta n - (kn(CO) + \beta n_e)n(H_3^+)$$

$$n(H_3^+) = \frac{\zeta n}{kn \not (CO) + \beta x_e}$$

- Abundance of  $H_{3^{+}}$  rises (if ionization present) and gas-phase D fractionation will take off
- Caveat: will create species like HDCO, DCN, etc in gaseous layers where CO and other neutrals are freezing onto grains
- These neutrals then freeze onto grains

### **D** Fractionation in Disks



Aikawa and Herbst 1999 - no mixing

## **D** Fractionation in Disks



Roberts et al. 2004

## Enhanced Surface Chemistry



## Thermochemistry as well...



- Hersant et al. 2001
  - Thermochemistry
  - Vigorous radial mixing of inner disk to cometary formation zones

# Oxygen Isotopes in Meteorites

- Earth, Mars, Vesta follow slope 1/2 line indicative of mass-dependent fractionation
- primitive CAI meteorites

   (and other types) follow
   line with slope ~ 1
   indicative of mass
   independent fractionation
- meteorites have oxygen isotope ratios where the rare isotopes are slightly more abundant (50 per mil) than <sup>16</sup>O.



# Oxygen Isotopes in Meteorites

 meteoritic results can be from mixing of 2 reservoirs



 thought <sup>16</sup>O poor state in gas (Clayton 1993, etc.)

# **Oxygen Isotopes Theory**

- stellar nucleosynthesis
  - lack of similar trend seen in outer elements
- chemical reactions that are non-mass dependent (Thiemens and Heidenreich 1983)
  - known to happen in the Earth's atmosphere (for ozone)
  - no theoretical understanding of other reactions that can link to CO and H<sub>2</sub>O
- photo-chemical CO self-shielding
  - suggested by Clayton 2002 at in the inner nebula at the edge of the disk (X point)
  - active on disk surface (Lyons and Young 2005)
  - active on cloud surface and provided to disk (Yurimoto and Kuramoto 2004)

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#### Isotopic Selective Photodissociation:



- Observed in ISM
- Strength of effect depends on radiation field.
- Can expect gradient along disk surface.

Taylor and Dickman 1989

#### CO Photodissociation and Oxygen Isotopes



 $\begin{array}{ll} A_{v} < 0.5 & 0.5 < A_{v} < 2 & A_{v} > 2 \\ CO + hv -> C + O & CO & CO \\ C^{18}O + hv -> C + ^{18}O & C^{18}O + hv -> C + ^{18}O & C^{18}O \\ & ^{18}O + gr -> H_{2}^{18}O_{ice} \end{array}$ 

# CO Self-Shielding Models

- active in the inner nebula at the edge of the disk (Clayton 2002)
  - only gas disk at inner edge, cannot make solids as it is too hot
- active on disk surface and mixing to midplane (Lyons and Young 2005)
  - credible solution
  - mixing may only be active on surface where sufficient ionization is present
  - cannot affect Solar oxygen isotopic ratio
- active on cloud surface and provided to disk (Yurimoto and Kuramoto 2004)

### **Oxygen Isotopes**



Lyons and Young 2005

### **Oxygen Isotopes**



Lyons and Young 2005 Also see poster by J.E. Lee

# Summary – Open Questions

- Observations and theory suggest that disk surfaces are photondominated regions similar to those seen in ISM.
  - UV field is has different wavelength dependence (Lyman alpha)
  - Rough characteristics of the vertically stratified chemistry are established
- Two regimes for chemistry exist within the disk: T. eq. and kinetic
  - Not entirely clear how distinct these reservoirs are -- although the outer disk is out of equilibrium
- What happens in gas/what happens on grains? How can we tell?
  - Where do complex molecules seen in meteorites originate -- is the disk a complex organic molecule factory?
- What happens prior to stellar birth/what happens in the disk?
  - <sup>-</sup> Signatures of cold chemistry are the same
  - Mixing will be a large difference what are the signatures?
- Can we find a way to determine how important grains are in determining the charge balance?
- Lots of work to do -- even better before ALMA tells us where we are wrong....