

X. Two Phase ISM

A. Motivations

- ISM feeds star formation via molecular clouds
- ISM also feeds AGN activity
- Let us put some of the pieces together to better characterize the ISM

B. Heating of the ISM by Photoionization

- The dominant process is the photoionization of C



- ◊ O is more abundant but has IP = 13.6eV
- ◊ C is the next most abundant and has IP = 11.3eV

- Process

- ◊ Similar to heating in HII regions
- ◊ Need to compare ionization energy against electron temperature

$$\Gamma_{\text{C}^+} = n_e n_{\text{C}^+} \alpha_{\text{C}}(T) \left[\frac{1}{2} (h\nu_0 - h\nu_{\text{C}}) - f \frac{3}{2} kT \right] \text{ erg/s/cm}^3 \quad (2)$$

$$\alpha_{\text{C}}(T) = 1.4 \times 10^{-10} T^{-0.607} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s} \quad (3)$$

- ▲ $h\nu_0 = 13.6\text{eV}$
- ▲ $\frac{1}{2}$ is an approximation of the energy input
- ▲ $f \sim 0.6$
- ▲ $T \sim 100\text{K} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2}kT \sim 0.01\text{eV}$

- Consider n_{C^+}

- ◊ Most of the Carbon in the ISM is C^+
 - ▲ HI regions absorb all photons with $h\nu > 1\text{Ryd}$
 - ▲ But are filled with photons having $h\nu < 1\text{Ryd}$
- ◊ Ionization balance

$$n_{\text{C}^+} n_e \alpha_{\text{C}} = \zeta n_{\text{C}^0} \quad (4)$$

- ◊ Ionization rate

$$\zeta = \int_{IP(\text{C})/h}^{\nu_0} c n_{\nu} \sigma_{\text{C}} d\nu \quad (5)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{C}} = 1 \times 10^{-18} \text{ cm}^2 \quad (6)$$

$$n_{\nu} \approx 1 \times 10^{-28} \text{ cm}^{-3} \quad (\text{UV starlight}) \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Therefore } \zeta = 2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad (8)$$

- ◇ Ion fractions

$$\frac{n_{C^+}}{n_{C^0}} = \frac{\zeta}{\alpha_C} \frac{1}{n_e} \sim \frac{23}{n_e} \gg 1 \text{ for } n_e \ll 1 \quad (9)$$

- ◇ Therefore

$$n_{C^+} \approx d_C n_H \frac{C}{H} \quad (10)$$

- ▲ C/H = Abundance by number of C
- ▲ d_C = Depletion of C onto dust grains
 - C in dust grains do not participate
 - $d_C \approx 0.5$

- Estimate n_e

- ◇ Assume all electrons come from Carbon
- ◇ Decent but wrong assumption

$$n_e = d_C \frac{C}{H} n_H \quad (11)$$

- Altogether, the heating rate is

$$\frac{\Gamma_{C^+}}{n_H^2} = (1.2\text{eV}) \left(\frac{C}{H} d_C \right)^2 \alpha_C \quad (12)$$

C. Cooling in HI Regions: 158μ

- The low electron density implies the excitation of forbidden states is minimal
- Excitation of fine-structure states and Ly α dominates
- Consider the cooling from a 2-level system via collisions with electrons and HI atoms

$$\Lambda = n_e n_j \gamma_{jk}^e E_{jk} + n_{\text{HI}} n_j \gamma_{jk}^{\text{HI}} E_{jk} \quad (\text{erg/s/cm}^3) \quad (13)$$

- ◇ Assume the ground state is heavily populated

$$j = 1, \quad n_j(X^+) = n(X^+) \quad (14)$$

- ◇ Cooling rate is then

$$\frac{\Lambda}{n_H^2} = \frac{n_e}{n_H} \frac{n(X^+)}{n_H} \gamma_{jk}^e E_{jk} + \frac{n(X^+)}{n_H} \gamma_{jk}^{\text{HI}} E_{jk} \quad (15)$$

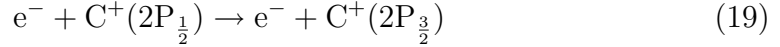
$$= \frac{n(X^+)}{n_H} E_{jk} [x \gamma_{jk}^e + (1-x) \gamma_{jk}^{\text{HI}}] \quad (16)$$

- ◇ When do electron collisions dominate?

$$x \gamma_{jk}^e > \gamma_{jk}^{\text{HI}} \quad (17)$$

$$x > \frac{\gamma_{jk}^{\text{HI}}}{\gamma_{jk}^e} \approx \frac{v_H \sigma_H}{v_e \sigma_e} \approx 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \quad (18)$$

- ▲ This is roughly the electron fraction in HI regions
- ▲ Therefore, electrons and HI atoms often contribute together
- C⁺ cooling
 - ◇ C⁺: 1s² 2s² 1p
 - ▲ Spin orbit coupling leads to fine structure levels
 - ▲ 2p_{1/2}, 2p_{3/2}
 - ◇ Energy: $\Delta E = 92\text{K}$



$$\gamma_{jk}^e = \frac{g_k}{g_j} \gamma_{kj}^e \exp\left(\frac{-E_{jk}}{kT}\right) \quad (20)$$

$$= \frac{8.63 \times 10^{-6} \Omega(j, k)}{g_k T^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (21)$$

- ◇ Consider only e⁻ collisions
 - ▲ Pseudo emissivity

$$E_{jk} \gamma_{jk}^e = \frac{7.9 \times 10^{-20}}{T^{\frac{1}{2}}} \exp(-92\text{K}/T) \quad (22)$$

- ▲ Cooling rate

$$\Lambda_{C^+}^e = n_e n_{C^+} E_{jk} \gamma_{jk}^e \quad (23)$$

- ▲ Again

$$n_{C^+} = \frac{C}{H} n_H d_C \quad (24)$$

- ▲ Therefore

$$\frac{\Lambda_{C^+}^e}{n_H^2} = \frac{7.9 \times 10^{-20}}{T^{\frac{1}{2}}} x \frac{C}{H} d_C \exp(-92\text{K}/T) \quad (25)$$

- ◇ Allowing for HI collisions and taking C/H = 4 × 10⁻⁴

$$\frac{\Lambda_{C^+}}{n_H^2} = [3.2 \times 10^{-23} x + 2.5 \times 10^{-27} (1 - x)] d_C \frac{\exp(-92\text{K}/T)}{T^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (26)$$

- There is fine structure cooling from OI and SiII too (in warmer gas)
 - ◇ $E_{jk}(\text{Si}^+) = 287\text{K}$
 - ◇ $E_{jk}(\text{O}^0) = 158$ and 227K

D. Cooling in HI Regions: Ly α

- Collisional excitation of Ly α leads to cooling
- Important for gas at $T > 10^4\text{K}$

- Standard expression

$$\Lambda_{Ly\alpha} = n_e n_H [\langle \sigma_{1s,2s} v \rangle + \langle \sigma_{1s,2p} v \rangle] \frac{3}{4} h \nu_0 \quad (27)$$

- Rates

- ◊ The 1s→2s rate is only about half 1s→2p
- ◊ Expression

$$\langle \sigma_{1s2p} v \rangle \approx 3.23 \times 10^{-10} T^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{1.75 \times 10^4}{T} \right) \exp \left(\frac{-11.8 \times 10^4 \text{K}}{T} \right) \quad (28)$$

E. Spitzer Model

- Equate C⁺ heating with C⁺ cooling to estimate ISM temperature
- Assume collisions are dominated by HI
- Equating..

$$\frac{\Gamma}{n_H^2} = \frac{\Lambda}{n_H^2} \quad (29)$$

$$(1.2\text{eV}) \left(\frac{C}{H} d_C \right)^2 \frac{1.4 \times 10^{-10}}{T^{0.6}} = \frac{2.5 \times 10^{-27} d_C \exp(-92\text{K}/T)}{T^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (30)$$

$$9 \times 10^{-3} \left(\frac{d_C}{0.5} \right) = \exp(-92\text{K}/T) \quad (31)$$

$$T = 20\text{K} \quad (32)$$

- This value is much lower than the T inferred from 21cm studies ($\sim 100\text{K}$)
- What went wrong?
 - ◊ Overestimate of cooling rate?
 - ◊ Additional heating source?

F. Electron Density in HI Regions of the ISM

- General
 - ◊ Examine attenuation of Pulsar radiation
 - ◊ Measure ‘Dispersion Measure’ and distance to determine n_e
- Faraday rotation
 - ◊ Consider the e⁻ response to a plane wave
 - ◊ Treat the electrons as a fluid
 - ◊ EM radiation drives a current which modifies the incident radiation field

◇ Ignoring a magnetic field, the frequency of the plane wave becomes

$$\omega^2 = \omega_p^2 + c^2 k^2 \quad (33)$$

$$\omega_p^2 \equiv \frac{4\pi n_e e^2}{m_e} \quad (34)$$

◇ Index of refraction

$$m \equiv \frac{c}{v_p} = \left[1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (35)$$

◇ Can measure radiation over a frequency range to determine ω_p and then n_e

• Observe pulsars

(a) $\omega < \omega_p$

◇ $\text{Re}(m) = 0$

◇ No propagation of the radiation!

◇ For $n_e = 0.03 - 0.1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $\omega_p = 10^4 \text{ Hz}$

◇ Why doesn't the wave propagate?

▲ Debye Radius

$$4\pi n_e e^2 R_D^2 \sim kT \quad (36)$$

$$\omega_p^2 m_e R_D^2 \sim kT \quad (37)$$

$$\omega_p^2 R_D^2 \sim \frac{kT}{m_e} \quad (38)$$

▲ Let $v_T^2 = kT/m_e$

$$\frac{1}{\omega_p} \sim \frac{R_D}{v_T} \quad (39)$$

▲ If $\omega < \omega_p$, then e^- can travel fast enough to 'cancel' out the propagating wave!

(b) $\omega > \omega_p$

◇ Each pulse has a wide spectrum of frequencies

◇ Pulse delays will occur as a function of ω

◇ Group velocity

$$v_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk} = c \left[1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (40)$$

$$\approx c \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \right) \quad (41)$$

◇ Pulse arrival time

▲ Lower $\omega \Rightarrow$ longer time

$$\mathcal{T}(\omega) = \int_0^L \frac{ds}{v_g(\omega)} \approx \frac{L}{c} + \frac{1}{2c} \int_0^L ds \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2} \quad (42)$$

▲ Take measurements at a wide range of ω

▲ Evaluate

$$\frac{\mathcal{T}(\omega)}{d(1/\omega^2)} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L ds \frac{\omega_p^2}{c} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4\pi e^2}{m_e c} \right) \int_0^L n_e ds \quad (43)$$

◇ Define DM, the Dispersion measure

$$\text{DM} = \int n_e ds \quad (\text{pc cm}^{-3}) \quad (44)$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{T}(\omega)}{d(1/\omega^2)} = 1.63 \times 10^{17} \text{ DM} \quad (45)$$

◇ Difficult part

▲ Measure L for the pulsar

▲ Use 21cm + spiral arms

• Answer

$$\langle n_e \rangle = 0.03 \text{ cm}^{-3} \quad (46)$$

◇ Compare with Spitzer's estimate

◇ Assumed all e^- 's came from C

$$n_e = n_C = \frac{C}{H} n_H \quad (47)$$

$$= 10^{-4} n_H = 0.0001 \text{ cm}^{-3} \quad (48)$$

• Puzzle

◇ What leads to the extra source of electrons?

◇ Is it related to 'missing' heating?

G. Cosmic Rays

• Origin

◇ 1MeV protons

◇ Accelerated by shocks from expanding supernova remnants

◇ Via magnetic fields

• Ionization

$$\zeta_H \equiv \text{Ionization per target per atom per sec} \quad (49)$$

◇ Include secondary ionizations from energetic electrons

◇ i.e. $\text{CR} + 2\text{H}^0 \rightarrow e^- + \text{H}^+ + \text{H}^0 \rightarrow 2\text{H}^+$

• Ionization equilibrium

$$n_{\text{HI}} \zeta_H = n_e n_p \alpha_B \quad (50)$$

$$n_e = n_p + n_i \quad (51)$$

- ◇ n_i = Electrons from ionization of metals
- ◇ Solve for n_p

$$n_p = \frac{-\alpha_B n_i + \alpha_B n_i \left[1 + \frac{4n_{HI}\zeta_H}{\alpha_B n_i^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2\alpha_B} \quad (52)$$

$$= \frac{n_i}{2} \left[\sqrt{1 + \frac{4n_{HI}\zeta_H}{\alpha_B n_i^2}} - 1 \right] \quad (53)$$

- Cosmic ray spectrum
 - ◇ Not well determined
 - ▲ Area of active research
 - ◇ Rough estimate

- ◇ Adopt

$$\zeta_H = 7 \times 10^{-18} \text{s}^{-1} \text{ at } E \sim 1 \text{MeV} \quad (54)$$

- Electron density

- ◇ Evaluate n_p, n_e for the WNM ($T \sim 6000\text{K}$)

$$n_p \approx \sqrt{\frac{n_H \zeta_H}{\alpha_B}} = \sqrt{\frac{7 \times 10^{18} n_{HI}}{4 \times 10^{-13}}} \quad (55)$$

$$\approx 4.2 \times 10^{-3} \sqrt{n_{HI}} \quad (56)$$

$$n_e = n_p + n_i = n_H \left[\frac{n_p}{n_H} + \frac{n_i}{n_H} \right] \quad (57)$$

$$= n_H \left[\frac{4.2 \times 10^{-3}}{n_H^{\frac{1}{2}}} + 5 \times 10^{-4} \right] \quad (58)$$

◇ Altogether..

$$\frac{n_e}{n_H} \sim (1 - 4)\% \quad (59)$$

▲ Much larger than the value Spitzer assumed in the 1940's

● Cosmic Ray Heating

$$\Gamma_{CR} = n_H \zeta_H \langle E \rangle \quad (60)$$

◇ In addition to ionizing the gas, the CR will dump K.E. into the ISM

◇ Average Energy

▲ $\langle E \rangle$ of the CR $\sim 10^9$ eV/particle

▲ Transferred energy is small

▲ The \vec{E} vector of the cosmic ray passing the HI atom is like a delta function

▲ The absorbing co-efficient has $a \propto \omega^{-3}$

▲ This is very strongly peaked so the energy is never more than a few Ryd

Table 1: ENERGY TRANSFER

$\langle E \rangle$	β_{CR}	E_{CR}
35eV	0.05	1.1 MeV
50eV	0.95	2 GeV

▲ Furthermore, only a fraction of the electron energy goes into HI heating

(a) Share it energy with other free electrons

(b) Excite Ly α

(c) Ionize other HI atoms

▲ Bottom line

$$\langle E \rangle \sim 7\text{eV} \quad (61)$$

◇ Cross-section with ISM

$$\sigma_{ion}(\beta) = \frac{1.23 \times 10^{-20}}{\beta^2} \left[6.20 + \log \frac{\beta^2}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} - 0.43\beta^2 \right] \quad (62)$$

$$\beta = v/c \quad (63)$$

$$\zeta_{CR} = \int n_{CR}(E) \sigma_{ion}(E) \beta c dE \quad (\text{s}^{-1}) \quad (64)$$

▲ Density: $n_{CR}(E) \propto KE^{-\gamma}$ $\gamma = 2.5$

◇ Can CR heat the ISM by themselves?

▲ To match $T = 80\text{K}$, require $\zeta_H = 6 \times 10^{-16}\text{s}^{-1}$

▲ This is $10\times$ our extrapolated value

▲ The rate is so high, the observed abundance of CI is inconsistent

▲ Perhaps this is not the whole story!

H. Photo-electric Heating

- Process
 - ◊ UV photon strikes a PAH or dust grain
 - ◊ An electron is kicked off with $E \sim \text{few eV}$
 - ◊ It shares its K.E. with the surrounding gas via collisions
- Heating rate
 - ◊ Consider grains with size a and charge state i
 - ◊ These will have ionization energies $h\nu_i(a)$
 - ◊ Let $E_{kin}(a, i)$ be the average energy per ionization
 - ◊ Let σ_{grain} be the ionization cross-section

$$n\Gamma_{pe} = \int_{a_-}^{a_+} da n(a) \sum_i \int_{\nu_i(a)}^{13.6\text{eV}/h} n_\nu \sigma_{grain}(\nu) E_{kin}(a, i) d\nu \quad (65)$$

- Grain contributions to heating
 - ◊ Adopt a power-law size distribution for PAHs and grains
 - ◊ About half of the heating comes from small grains ($a < 15\text{\AA}$)
 - ◊ The other half comes from grains with $a = 15 - 100\text{\AA}$
- Heating efficiency
 - ◊ As with heating by photoionization of atoms (C,H), the heating rate will ultimately depend on the recombination rate of electrons with grains and PAHs
 - ◊ For photo-electric heating, this is parameterized by the ‘charging parameter’ γ

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{G_0 T^{1/2}}{n_e} \quad (66)$$

- ◊ Express the heating rate in terms of an efficiency factor ϵ

$$n\Gamma_{pe} = 10^{-24} \epsilon n G_0 \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad (67)$$

- ▲ The heating efficiency ϵ is a sensitive function of γ
- ▲ See Tielens, Fig 3.4
- ▲ It reaches a maximum value of ≈ 0.05 in dense gas

- Heating of the CNM
 - ◊ Heating by photoionization is

$$n\Gamma_{C^+} \approx \times 10^{-29} G_0 n \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad (68)$$

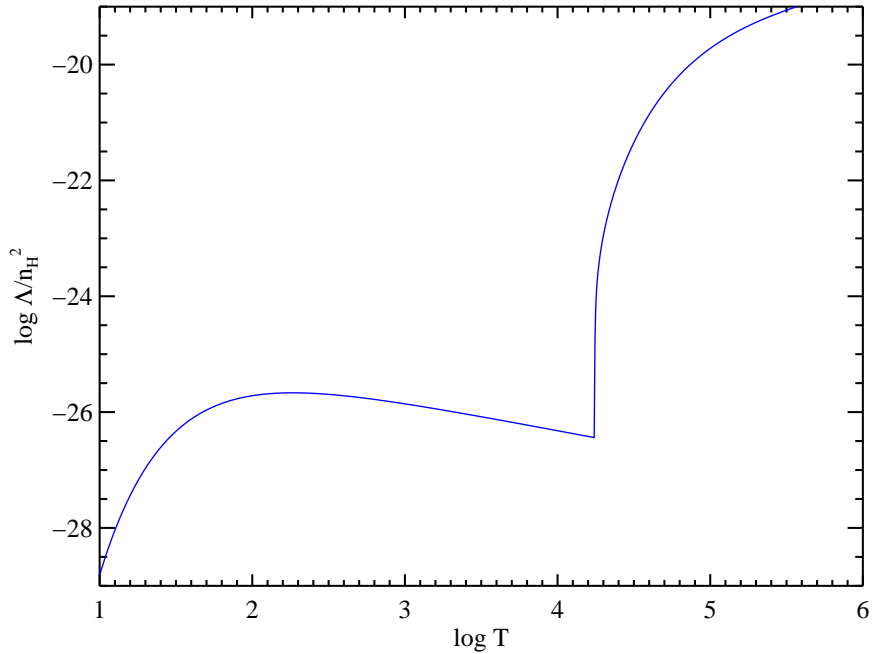
- ◊ Heating by the photo-electric effect

$$n\Gamma_{pe} \approx \times 10^{-26} G_0 n \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad (69)$$

- ▲ This is much larger because there are many more PAH targets than C⁰
- ▲ This is enough to maintain the CNM at 80K !!

I. 2 Phase Model

- Cooling curve



- Express

- ◊ Cooling is a 2-body process

$$\Lambda = n_H^2 f(T) \quad (70)$$

- ◊ Heating is a 1 body process

$$\Gamma_H = n_H \mathcal{H} \quad (71)$$

- ▲ \mathcal{H} is the ionization rate

- ▲ \mathcal{H} is independent of T

- Thermal equilibrium

$$f(T) = \frac{\mathcal{H}}{n_H} \quad (72)$$

- ◊ Holding all other parameters fixed, express

$$T = T(n_H) \quad (73)$$

- ◊ Increasing $n_H \Rightarrow T$ decreases

- Examine T along the cooling curve

- (a) Consider the 'plateau' along Λ

- ◇ $100\text{K} < T < 10000\text{K}$
- ◇ T is very sensitive to n_H
- (b) Above the plateau ($T \gtrsim 10^4\text{K}$)
 - ◇ Λ increases by orders of magnitude for T increasing from 10^4K
 - ◇ This drives the gas toward $T \approx 10^4\text{K}$
- (c) Below the plateau ($T \lesssim 100\text{K}$)
 - ◇ Λ decreases exponentially for $T < 100\text{K}$
 - ◇ T holds at $\approx 10^2\text{K}$
- ◇ Fig

▲ The intermediate region is unstable to perturbations

- Net loss function (Qualitative treatment)

$$\Gamma - \Lambda = -\rho\mathcal{L} \quad (74)$$

- (a) Consider a blob that to 0th order is in Thermal Equilibrium ($\mathcal{L} = 0$)
- (b) Perturb the blob away from T.E. along an isobar: $P = \text{const} = \rho T$
 - ◇ Pressure equilibrium is upheld in the ISM

$$t_S = \frac{L}{c_S} \ll t_{\text{instability}} \quad (75)$$

- ◇ Fig of T vs. ρ with \mathcal{L}

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\Lambda - \Gamma}{\rho} \quad (76)$$

- ◇ Phase F
 - ▲ Lower T , raise ρ
 - $\mathcal{L} < 0 \Rightarrow$ Heating exceeds cooling
 - Blob returns to equilibrium
 - ▲ Raise T , lower ρ
 - $\mathcal{L} > 0 \Rightarrow$ Cooling exceeds heating
 - Also, back to T.E.
 - ▲ Stable phase
- ◇ Phase H
 - ▲ Similar story
 - ▲ Stable phase
- ◇ Phase G
 - ▲ Lower T , raise ρ
 - $\mathcal{L} > 0 \Rightarrow$ Cooling $\Rightarrow T \downarrow$ further
 - Unstable
 - ▲ Raise T , lower ρ
 - $\mathcal{L} < 0 \Rightarrow$ heating $\Rightarrow T \uparrow$ further
 - Unstable
 - ▲ Unstable phase
- Quantitative perturbation theory
 - ◇ Criteria for instability

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\rho} (\Lambda - \Gamma) = \frac{1}{\rho} (n_H^2 f(T) - n_H \mathcal{H}) \quad (77)$$

- ▲ Introduce

$$X \equiv \frac{\rho_H}{\rho} = \frac{m_H n_H}{\rho} \quad (78)$$

$$\Rightarrow n_H = \frac{X}{m_H} \rho \quad (79)$$

- ▲ Substitute

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\rho} \left(\frac{X}{m_H} \right)^2 \rho^2 f(T) - \frac{1}{\rho} \left(\frac{X}{m_H} \right) \rho \mathcal{H} \quad (80)$$

$$= \rho g(T) - \mathcal{H}' \quad (81)$$

$$g(T) \equiv \left(\frac{X}{m_H} \right)^2 f(T) \quad (82)$$

$$\mathcal{H}' \equiv \left(\frac{X}{m_H} \right) \mathcal{H} \quad (83)$$

▲ Therefore

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\rho, T) \quad (84)$$

◇ Perturb ρ, T

$$T = T_E + \delta T \quad (85)$$

$$\rho = \rho_E + \delta \rho \quad (86)$$

▲ Isobar

$$P = \rho T \rightarrow \delta P = \rho \delta T + T \delta \rho = 0 \quad (87)$$

$$\delta \rho = -\frac{\rho}{T} \delta T \quad (88)$$

◇ Perturb \mathcal{L}

$$(\delta \mathcal{L})_P = \left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta T} \right)_P \delta T + \left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \rho} \right)_T \delta \rho \quad (89)$$

$$\left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta T} \right)_P = \left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta T} \right)_\rho - \left(\frac{\rho}{T} \right)_E \left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \rho} \right)_T \quad (90)$$

◇ Instability

$$\left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta T} \right)_P < 0 \quad (91)$$

◇ Recalling our definition of \mathcal{L} (Equation 80)

$$\left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \rho} \right)_T = g, \quad \left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta T} \right)_\rho = \frac{dg}{dT} \quad (92)$$

$$\rho \frac{dg}{dT} - \frac{\rho}{T} g < 0 \quad (93)$$

$$\frac{d \ln g}{d \ln T} < 1 \quad (94)$$

- Reexamine the cooling curve

◇ Prediction: 2 phases in pressure equilibrium

(a) Warm gas with $T = 10^4\text{K}$ (WNM)

(b) Cold gas with $T = 10^2\text{K}$ (CNM)

◇ Fig

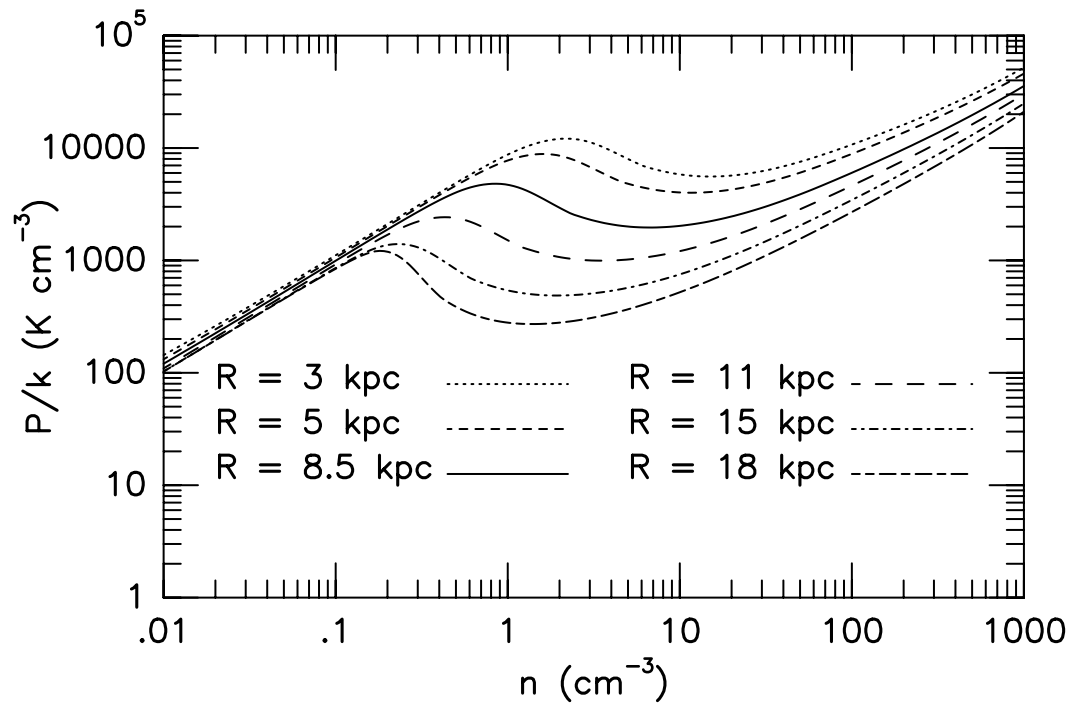
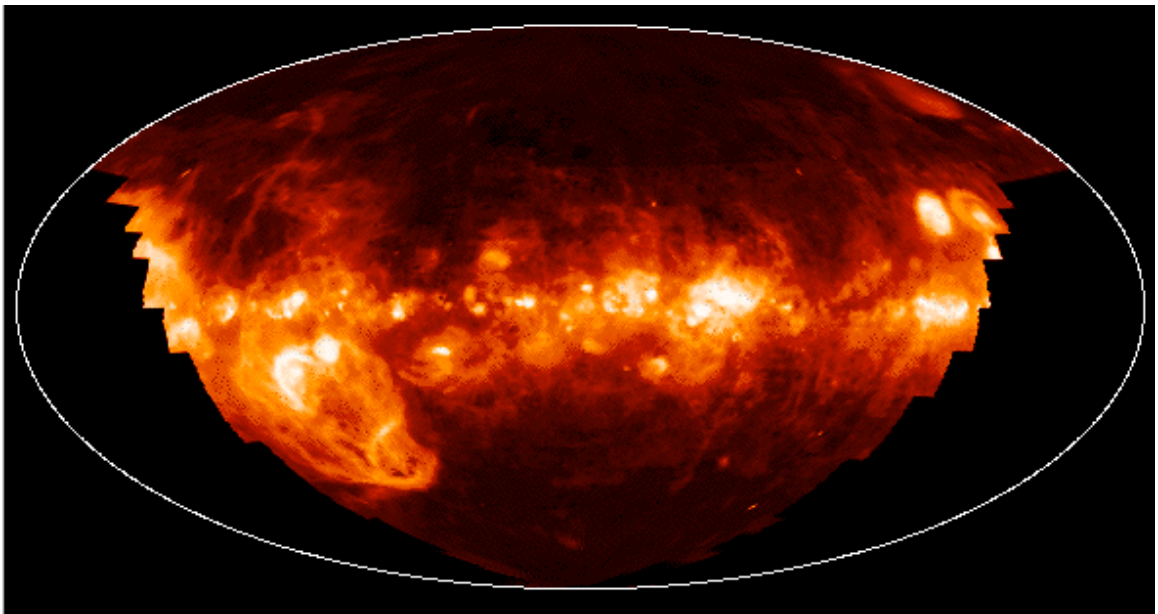


FIG. 7.—Phase diagrams showing thermal pressure P/k vs. hydrogen nucleus density n at Galactocentric radii $R = 3, 5, 8.5, 11, 15,$ and 18 kpc . Curves apply to the WNM/CNM boundary at a depth of $1 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ through the WNM. Gas is thermally stable to isobaric perturbations where $dP/dn > 0$.

- Problems with this simple picture
 - (a) Pervasive WNM is not observed
 - ◇ WNM is almost as clumpy as the CNM
 - ◇ Impossible to maintain pressure equilibrium
 - (b) Pervasive WIM in the ISM
 - ◇ $\text{H}\alpha$ experiments show the presence of a widespread WIM
 - ◇ How do we accommodate it within the 2-phase model?

J. 3 Phase Model

- Violent ISM
 - ◊ Shock waves
 - ◊ As always, astrophysics is more complicated than we think
 - ◊ Akin to weather
- Supernova (SN) remnants
 - ◊ In calculating the SN rate, Cox noted that the remnants overlap
 - ◊ Estimated the ‘porosity’ was high
 - ▲ f_V is the volume filling factor
 - ▲ $f_V \sim 0.1$



- McKee and Ostriker
 - ◊ Argued Cox underestimated f_V
 - ◊ Estimated $f_V \sim 1$
- SN – Source of additional heat in the CNM
 - ◊ Produces a WIM that is in pressure equilibrium with the WNM+CNM
 - ◊ This medium is observed in $H\alpha$ emission
- Physical processes of the 3-phase ISM
 - (a) Mass exchange between the phases
 - ◊ Evaporation of the CNM, WNM
 - (b) Pressure equilibrium holds
 - (c) Thermal pressure \propto SNR
- Problems solved

- ◇ Explains the 200pc layer of HI clouds
 - ▲ Dissipation (cloud collisions) tends to shrink the layer
 - ▲ Need mechanical energy to keep this layer
- ◇ Temperature of the CNM
- ◇ Clumpiness of the WNM
- ◇ Existence of the WIM