

Origin of dust and gas in the galaxies of the local group

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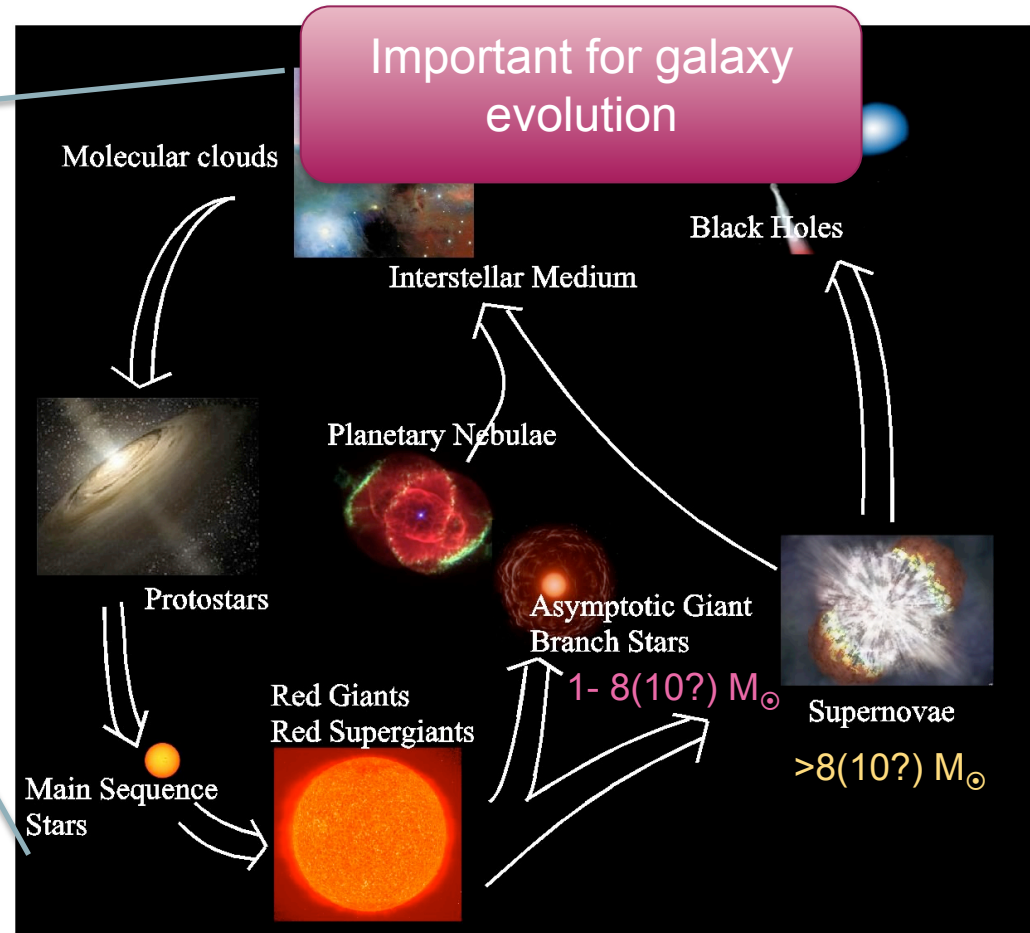


Cycle of matter (gas and dust) in galaxies



Concept of cycle of matter
Past: Theory/models
(population synthesis/chemical
evolution models of galaxies)

Current: measurements



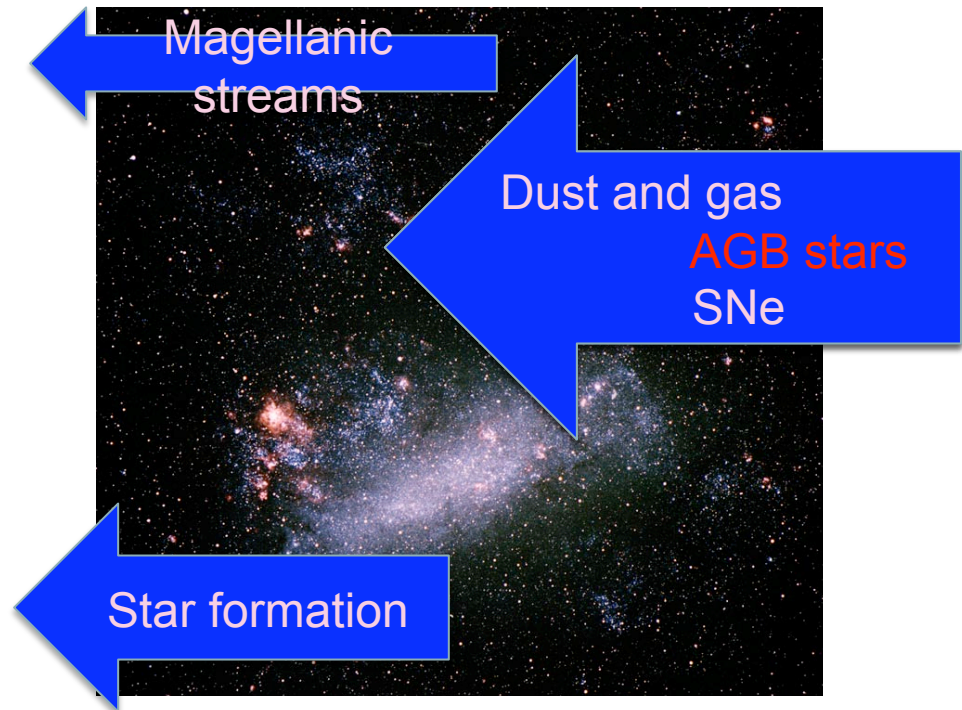
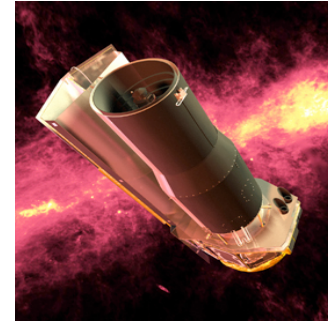
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Large Magellanic Cloud

- One of the nearest (50 kpc) galaxies
- Spitzer Space Telescope
 - Photometric survey (Meixner et al. 2006)
 - Complete census of asymptotic giant branch (AGB) stars
 - Spectroscopic survey (e.g. Zijlstra et al. 2006; Kemper et al. in preparation)
- First time to measure
 - the gas and dust budget within an entire galaxy scale
 - Based purely on observations

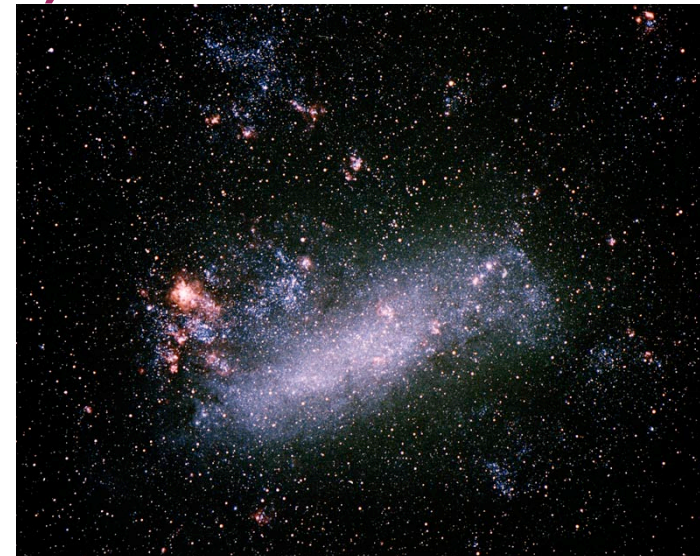
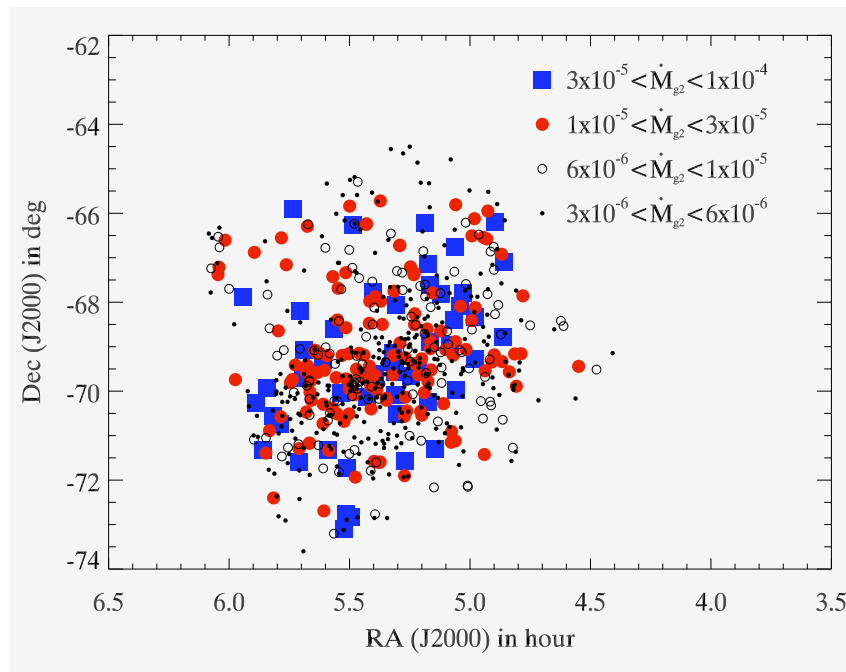


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Identified AGB stars + measured their mass-loss rate (gas and dust mass)



Detecting dust-embedded AGB stars using Spitzer

Matsuura et al. (2009, MNRAS, in press, astro-ph/09031123)

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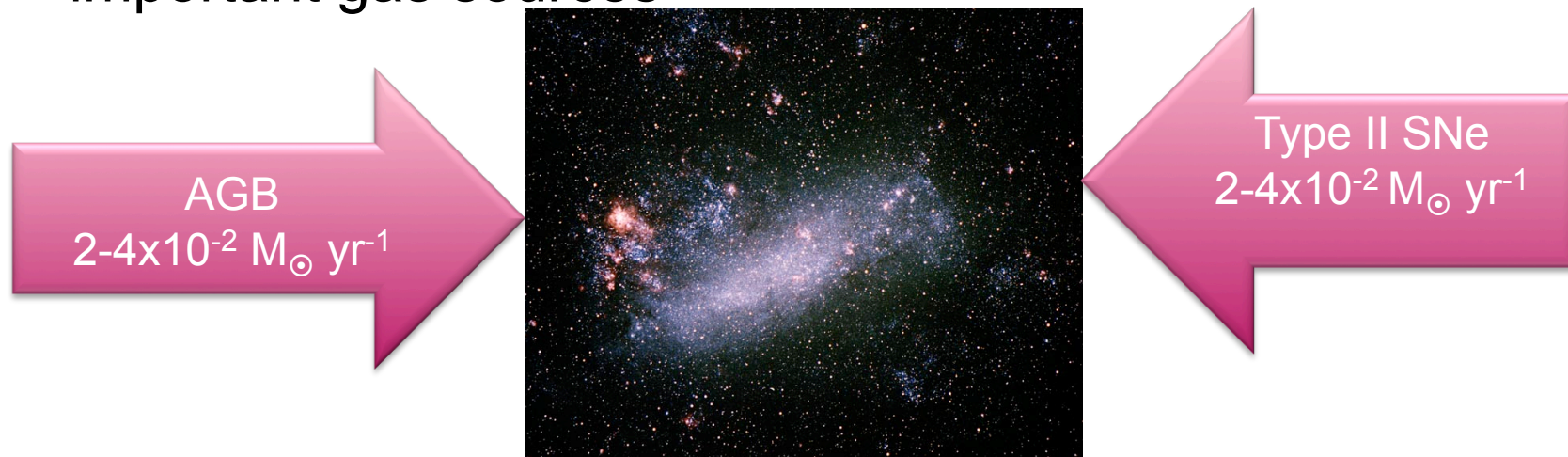
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Gas feedback in the LMC

- Total AGB mass-loss rate: $2-4 \times 10^{-2} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$
 - Oxygen-rich + carbon-rich AGB stars
- Type II SNe: $2-4 \times 10^{-2} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$
- In the LMC, Type II SNe and AGB stars are both important gas sources



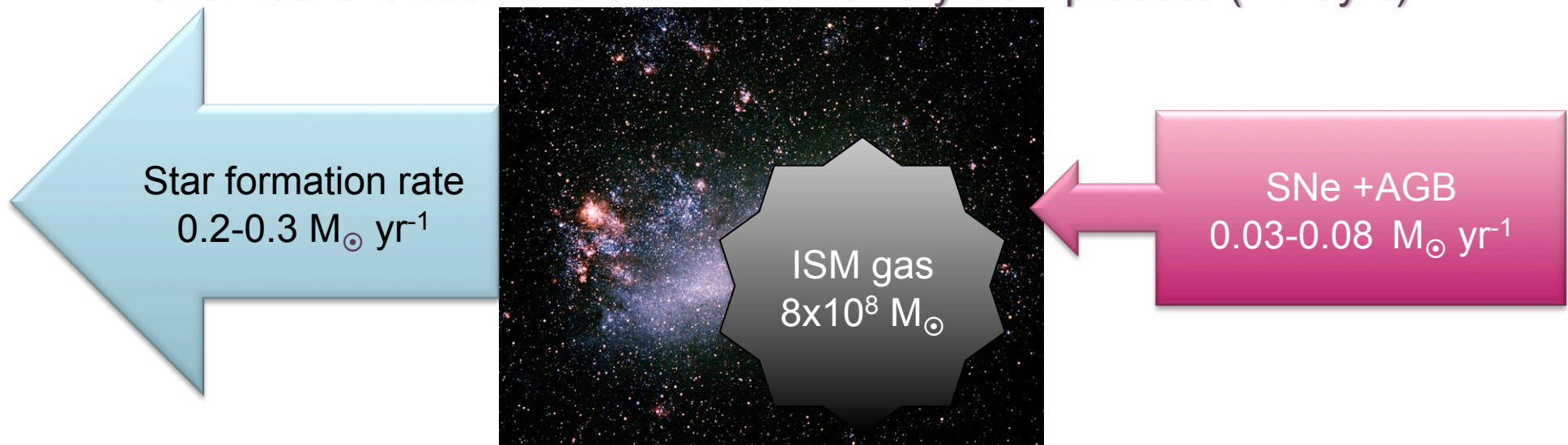
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Gas budget of the LMC

- Star formation rate (SFR) > Gas injection rate from SNe and AGB
- LMC star formation depends on the large reservoir of existing ISM gas
- The LMC is getting gas poorer. The SFR is likely to be declining with time.
- Chemical evolution of the LMC ISM is very slow process (~ 1 Gyrs)



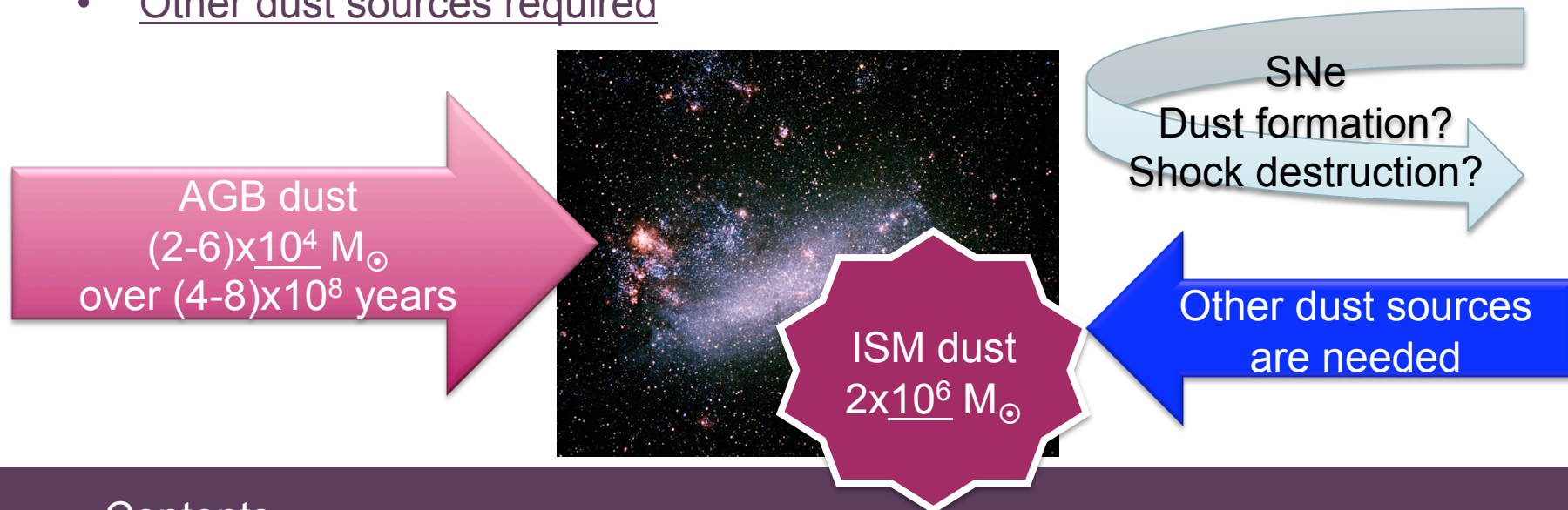
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Missing mass problem in dust budget

- Current LMC dust mass: $2 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$
 - $\text{HI} + \text{H}_2$ gas mass ($8 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}$) x dust-to-gas ratio (0.0025)
- Dust injection rate from AGB stars: $4.3 \times 10^{-5} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ (up to $8 \times 10^{-5} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$)
 - requires > 20 Gyrs
 - Dust lifetime was estimated to be $4\text{--}8 \times 10^8$ yrs (Jones et al. 1994)
- Dust deficit is short by a factor of 100
- Other dust sources required



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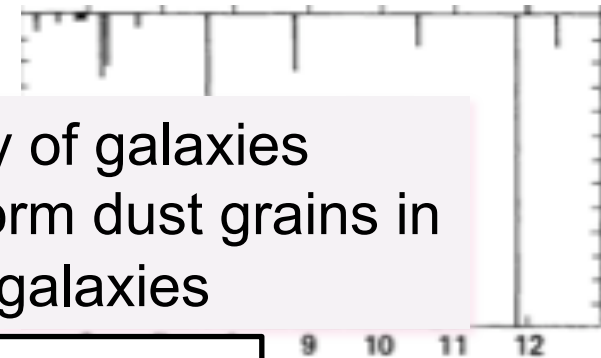
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Can dust be formed at low metallicities?

Dust needs (astronomical) metals!

- Oxides
 - Olivines : $\text{Mg}_{2x}\text{Fe}_{(2-2x)}\text{SiO}_4$
 - Pyroxenes : $\text{Mg}_x\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{SiO}_3$
- Carbonaceous dust
 - Graphite : C
 - Amorphous : C
 - Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)



Dust mass : as a function of metallicity of galaxies
It has been suggested that it is difficult to form dust grains in stars in low metallicity ($Z < 0.1 Z_{\odot}$) galaxies

But ... we found unexpected results

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The Galaxies of the Local Group

Some galaxies have low metallicities



Sculptor dwarf spheroidal (dSph) galaxy
 $[Z/H] \sim -1.33$



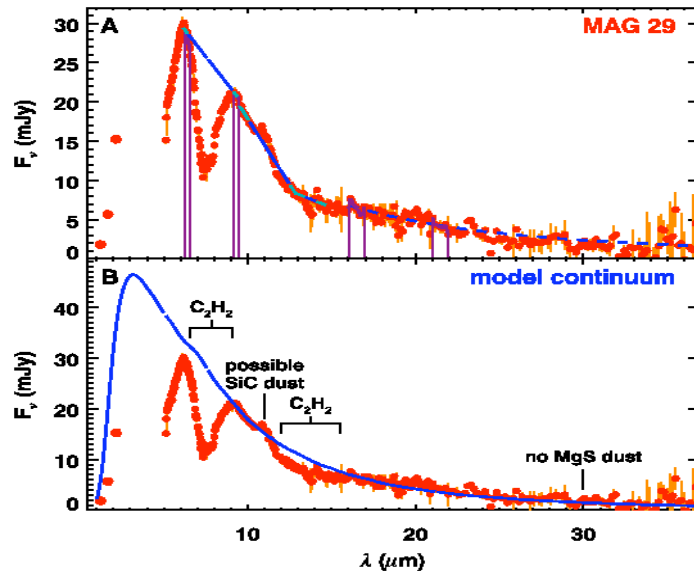
Fornax dwarf spheroidal galaxy
 $[Z/H] \sim -1.0$

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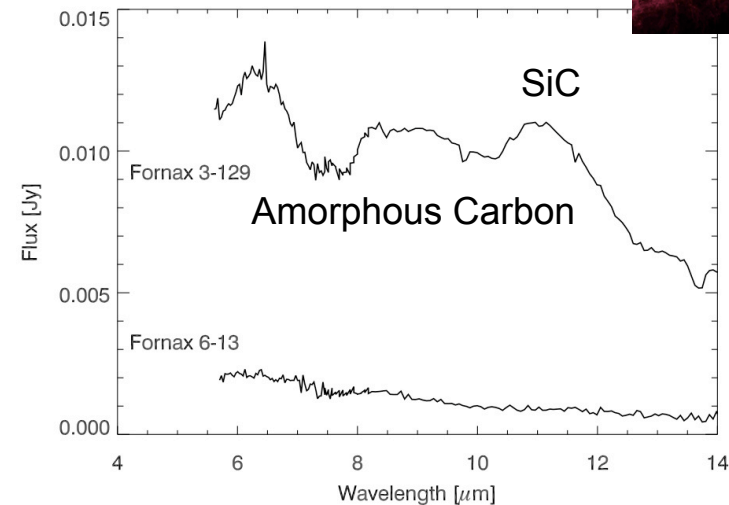
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Spitzer spectra



Sculptor dSph galaxy $[Z/H] \sim -1.33$
Sloan, Matsuura et al.
(2009, Science 323, 353)



Fornax dSph galaxy $[Z/H] \sim -1.0$
Matsuura et al. (2007, MNRAS 382, 1889)

Contrary to expectation, we detected dust at low metallicities

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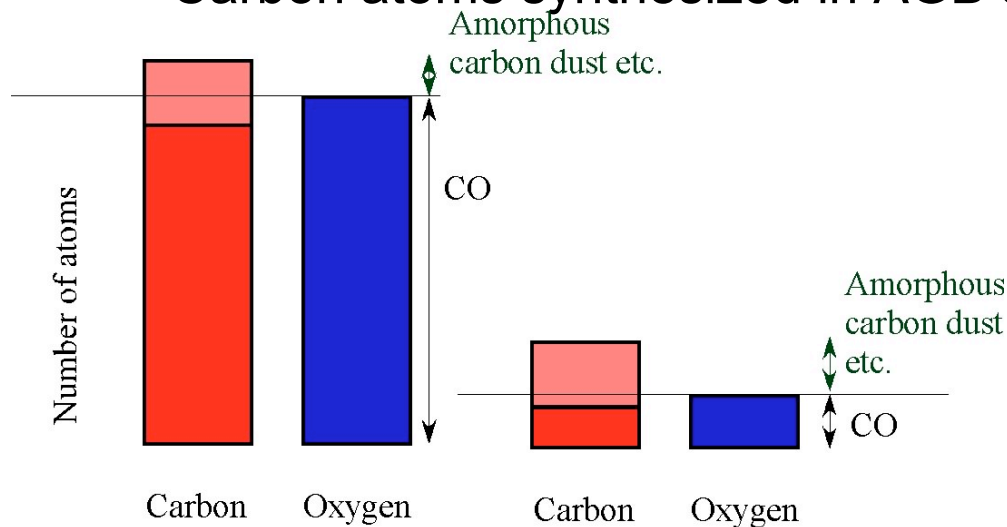
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Dust at low metallicity

AGB stars

- We detected amorphous (+SiC) dust
- Carbon atoms synthesized in AGB stars



Solar metallicity (Our Galaxy) Low metallicity (Fornax and Sculptor dSph galaxies)

- Dust formation process around stars is affected
 - not only by the metallicity of the parent galaxies
 - but also by elements formed inside stars, in particular, carbon

Matsuura et al. (2005 A&A 434, 691)

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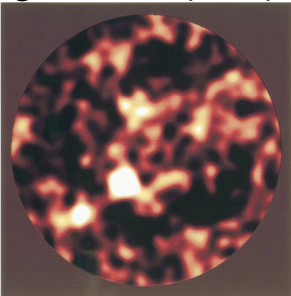
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Implications for high-z galaxies with dust

- Past explanation
 - AGB stars have two problems in producing dust
 - Age : Low and intermediate stars have not reached AGB phase (only after 1 Giga yrs)
 - Older than age of high-z galaxies (~ 0.3 Gyrs)
 - Low metallicity: It was difficult to form dust in AGB stars
 - Solely SNe could produce dust grains
- Current explanation Sloan, Matsuura et al. (2009, Science, 323, 353)
 - AGB stars can produce dust at high-z galaxies
 - AGB phase starts earlier than previously thought (about **0.28 Gyrs** at $3 M_{\odot}$; $Z > 8$)
 - Dust can be formed in AGB stars even at low metallicity
 - Quantitative analysis is still waiting to be performed

Submm
galaxies ($z \sim 6$)



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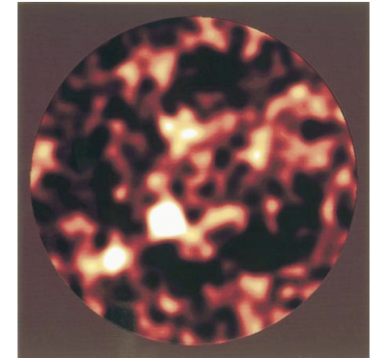
Summary: life-cycle of dust

Gas and dust budget

- Both AGB stars and Type II SNe are important gas sources
- Missing dust mass problem

Dust at low metallicity

- Dust formation is affected by both
 - elements formed inside stars
 - elemental abundances of the parent galaxies
- Implications for high-z galaxies
 - AGB stars are present in high-z galaxies, and can produce dust



Future

- Quantitative analysis of the dust budget is still needed
 - Other galaxies of the local group
- Understanding dust input and destructions by SNe



Sloan, Matsuura et al. (2009, Science, 323, 353)

Matsuura et al. (2009, MNRAS in press)

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