



Primordial Elements: Double Trouble

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Checkpoints

- Abundance basics
- Big Bang Nucleosynthesis
 (BBN) Overview



- Primordial Element Problem(s)
 - Lithium Problem
 - Deuterium Problem?



Abundances 101

- Ratio of some element to another (usually H)
- Notations/Representations

Mass fraction
$$X_i = rac{
ho_i}{
ho_{tot}}$$

 $X \equiv X_H$ $Y \equiv X_{He}$ $Z \equiv X_{metal}$

- Abundance (wrt H, by number) $\frac{i}{H} \equiv y_i \equiv \frac{n_i}{n_H}$ $y_{He,sol} = 0.1$ $y_{Fe,sol} \equiv \left(\frac{Fe}{H}\right)_{sol} = 3.2 \times 10^{-5}$

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Start: Solar Abundances

- Drop towards high mass numbers
 - Increasing Coulomb barrier
- Zig-zag pattern
 Odd vs even
- LiBeB drop
 - Inefficient LiBeB fusing in BBN



- Iron peak equilibrium
- A~130, 200 peaks s (low) & r(apid) processes 7/(meutron capture)^{ijana Prodanovic @ SF Cosmology Workshop} prodanvc@df.uns.ac.rs







Three Pillars of Cosmology

Observational evidence of the Big Bang Model

- I. Hubble Expansion ~ T+10¹⁰ yr
- II. Cosmic Microwawe Background ~ T+4x10⁵ yr
- **III. Big Bang Nucleosynthesis (BBN)** ~ T+1 sec.

The earliest probe!



Primordial Nuclear Reactor

- Hot, dense, expanding Universe
 - Sinthesis of lightest elements D, ³He, ⁴He, ⁷Li
 - Race against expansion (faster expansion-less time for BBN!)
- Initial conditions + physics
- Get primordial abundances
- Compare with observations
- Test physics and cosmology!





Standard BBN: Framework

- Standard model of particle physics + ΛCDM cosmology
- General relativity
- Expanding, homogeneous Universe
 - Friedmann equation

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 \equiv H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3}G\rho$$

Cosmic scale factor



 $a(t) = \frac{1}{1+7}$

Mass energy density of all cosmic species

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The Key

• Only one free parameter! Controls SBBN!

Baryon-to-photon ratio

$$\eta \equiv \frac{n_b}{n_{\gamma}} = 2.74 \times 10^{-8} \Omega_b h^2$$
$$\Omega_b = \frac{\rho_b}{\rho_{crit}} \qquad \rho_{crit} = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}$$

Constant! BBN determines baryon density!

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} n_{\gamma} \propto T^{3} \\ n_{b} \propto a^{-3} \propto T^{3} \end{array} \right\} \Longrightarrow \eta = const. \sim 10^{-9}$$



Initial Conditions

- T ~ 1 MeV, t ~ 1 sec
- Cosmic radiation
 - Thermal photons and (anti)neutrinos Relativistic (m<<T)
 - Electrons and positrons m<T
- Cosmic matter
 - Neutrons and protons non-relativistic m>>T
- Radiation-dominated epoch
 - Dynamics dictated by radiation species

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Just before...

- T > 1 MeV, t < 1 sec
- Nucleons in equilibrium

- Fast ($\Gamma_{n \leftrightarrow p} >> H$) weak interactions

$$n + v_e \leftrightarrow p + e^-$$
$$p + \overline{v_e} \leftrightarrow n + e^+$$
$$n \leftrightarrow p + e^+ + v_e$$



Weak Freeze-out

- Expanding, cooling universe favours lighter protons
- At T ~ 0.8 MeV, t ~ 1 sec.
- Reaction rates not fast enough for expansion $\Gamma_{n \leftrightarrow p} << H$
- Nucleon conversion reactions stop
- Ratio freezes @ $\frac{n}{2} \approx \frac{1}{2}$ *p* 6

$$\frac{n}{p} = e^{-(m_n - m_p)/T}$$

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Deuterium Bottleneck

Must form D before fusion can proceed

$$n + p \leftrightarrow d + \gamma_{2.223 \text{MeV}}$$



- But! 2.2 MeV photons destroy D!
- Most photons have T < 1 MeV but still enough of 2.2 MeV photons in thermal tail
- Must wait for deuterium!
- Neutrons keep decaying (~ 10 min) $\frac{n}{p} \rightarrow \frac{1}{7}$





Fusion time!

- At t ~ 3 min, T ~ 0.07 MeV
- D abundance rises fast!
- Light elements are fused! Main reactions:

$${}^{2}H + {}^{2}H \rightarrow {}^{3}He + n$$
$${}^{3}He + {}^{2}H \rightarrow {}^{4}He + p$$
$${}^{4}He + {}^{3}H \rightarrow {}^{7}Li + \gamma$$



BBN Reactions Network





The Outcome

- ⁴He very stable production favored
- No stable nuclei at A=5 and A=8 heavier element production suppressed
 - For heavier, must fuse D, T or ³He with ⁴He
 - Large Coulomb barrier
- Most neutrons go into ⁴He
 - He not very sensitive to baryon density

$$Y_p \cong 0.24$$



The Outcome

- Incomplete nuke burning
 - Not all neutrons used up
 - Traces of D, ³He and ⁷Li
 - Trace abundance strongly dependent on nuke
 freezeout T baryion density
- BBN stops @ T ~ 30 keV, t ~ 20 min
 Nuclear freezeout!

(except for the unstable ones – remaining ³H decays, ⁷Be + e \rightarrow ⁷Li)



Primordial abundances vs. Baryon-to-photon ratio

- If higher nucleon (baryon) density
 - BBN starts earlier more nucleons, higher temp., more complete burning
 - More ⁴He made
 - Less D and ³He left
 - Li made 2 ways:

$^{3}H(\alpha,\gamma)^{7}Li$ $^{3}He(\alpha,\gamma)^{7}Be \rightarrow ^{7}Li$

Less stable under proton collisions Strongly bound Dominates at low baryon-to-photon Dominates at high baryon-to-photon



SBBN Predicted Abundances

Schramm plot

- Abundance vs. Baryon density
- Curves: SBBN
- 1σ errors nuclear cross-sections
- Measure abundance!
- Done!



baryon-to-photon ratio η





Stuck in the future

- Abundances today not same as after BBN
- Look at (close) to primordial systems low metallicity

– Correct for $t_{BBN} \neq t_{obs}$ changes as best as you can

- Where to look?
 - D apsorption towards QSO (UV)
 - ³He (II) emission in galactic HII regions
 - ⁴He (II, III) emission in extragalactic HII regions
 - ⁷Li apsorption in atmospheres of low-metallicity halo stars
- Different systems but look for concordance?



Hopeless ³He...

- Complicated history
 - Stars burn D to make ³He, burned to make ⁴He
 - More survives in cooler stars
 - Net production...but depends on destructionproduction balance
- Only observed in Galactic HII regions hyperfine transition
- Must extrapolate from today to BBN epoch
- Too model dependant!



Hopefull ⁴He

- Produced in stars
- Stable once create, difficult to destroy
- Net increase with time
- Back in time primordial plateau should exist
- Measured in low-metallicity extragalactic HII regions

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But note..."spherical cow"





NGC 2363

NGC 346

Hopefull ⁴He

0.25

 ⁴He vs. Metallicity (oxygen)

• Extrapolate to 0 metal.

$$Y_{p,obs} = 0.2384 \pm 0.0025$$



SBS, 335

Peimbert et al. 2002

0.00015

Promissing ⁷Li



- Fragile, destroyed in stars
- But produced in CR interactions (fusion,spallation) and neutrino-proces in SN
- At low metallicity should see a plateau
- Pop II, low-metallicity, cold halo stars
- Spite plateau

Spite &Spite (1982)

• Primordial Li!



Promising ⁷Li



- Spite plateau?
- More data reveal a slope
- Pre-galactic Li (rather than primordial)



Deuterium - Baryometer of Choice

- Strong baryon density dependance
- Very fragile simple history
- Only net destruction (Epstein et al. 1976, Prodanovic & Fields 2003) – stellar processing
- Easy to extrapolate to zero metallicity
- Observe in high-z quasar apsorption
 Lyα systems
 - Quasars @ z ~ 3 in the background of a cold H cloud
 - D not same as H! Line shifted!



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QSO: HS 0105+1619 $Ly-\alpha$ $Lv - \beta$ $Lv - \delta$ Flux Lv-5Ly-6 Lv-8

O'Meara et al. 2001

Relative Velocity [km/s]

200

400



Deuterium - Baryometer of Choice





Simple?

- Have measurements!
- Get baryion density!
- Some uncertainty but consistant
- First indication od dark matter!
 - Deuterium obs. and observed expansion rate not consistent!
 - All matter not baryionic!





New Light: CMB

- New, independant measurement of baryon density
- WMAP High-precission cosmology era!
- CMB & BBN test cosmology!
- WMAP baryon density (Dunkley et al. 2008):

$$\Omega_b h_{100}^2 = 0.02273 \pm 0.00062$$

 $\eta = (6.23 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-10}$





BBN & CMB

- WMAP fix baryon density
- Use BBN to predict primordial abundances
- Easy!
- Compare with observations?





How it all fits?

- BBN theory curves
- CMB baryon density
- Observation boxes

- ⁴He OK 😳
- D right on! 😳
- ⁷Li in trouble! 🛞



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Concordance?

1.0

0.8

0.6

- Cyburt et al. 2008.
- Theoretical (blue)
- Observational (yellow)
- Lithium way off! Factor of 3-4!

PROBLEM!

Likelihood 0.4 0.2 0.0 0.24 0.25 0.26 0.23 2 3 10⁵×D/H 1.0 0.8 ikelihood 0.6 0.4 0.2 0.0 Tijana Pro 12 9 11 1 2 10 10¹⁰×⁷Li/H 10⁶×³He/H

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Spite Plateau

- Spite & Spite 1982
- Low-metallicity halo stars
- (Close to) Same Li abundance towards lower metallicity
- Very little scatter!
- But different stars
- Primordial plateau?





The Lithium Problem

3.0 CMB+BBNS Spite "plateau" factor_{2.5} of ~ 2-4 lower than 2.0 **CMB+BBN** primordial 1.5 ⁶Li Li abundance! log 1.0 $\left(\frac{{}^{7}Li}{H}\right) = \left(5.24^{+0.71}_{-0.62}\right) \times 10^{-10}$ 0.5 Asplund et al. 2006 0.0 $\left(\frac{{}^{7}Li}{H}\right) = \left(1.23^{+0.68}_{-0.32}\right) \times 10^{-10}$ -2.5-3.0-2.0-0.5-1.5-1.00.0 [Fe/H]

No post-BBN production, but, destruction!?

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Lithium Problem Even Worse?

- ⁶Li "Plateau"? But no BBN source!
- Post-BBN production in cosmic ray interractions
 - Galactic CRs ⁶Li increases with metallicity
 - Cosmological CRs? ⁶Li constant with metallicity





Lithium Problem Even Worse?

- Cosmological cosmic-rays
 - Structure-formation shocks?
 Note: Non-detection of gamma-rays by Fermi (Ackermann et al. 2010)
 - Primordial in composition only H & He
 - Make Li (6,7) without other light elements (Be & B)
 - Would contribute to halo-star
 Li abundance (Suzuki & Inoue
 2002)

Miniati et al. 2000





Lithium Problem Even Worse?

- Assume entire ⁶Li plateau made by cosmological/pre-galactic CRs
- Find ⁷Li made by same CRs
- ~ 15% of observed Li plateau is pregalactic and not BBN!
- Must correct for it!
- Even larger discrepancy with WMAP+BBN!
- Factor of ~ 5!





Main Problems

- Abundances below predicted observed over a large metallicity range
- How to destroy Li uniformily?
- Is ⁶Li plateau real?
- What is pre-galactic source of ^{6,7}Li ?



Who is to blame?

- Observations?
- Inferred abundances wrong?
- Problem with stellar atmosphere modeling?

- Theory?
- Inferred abundances correct?
- Find a way to destroy Li before or in stars

Blame It On



Lithium Observations

• Great in ISM! 🙂

- Both isotopes separated



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– ⁶Li just a asymmetry kink on ⁷Li line – get ratio



Lithium observations

- Apsorption lines in stellar atmospheres
- Modeling! Non-LTE, 1D vs. 3D
 - Li mostly ionized in stellar atmosphere
 - Must get the Li II/Li I ratio
 - Must have correct temperature

- To solve Li problem temperature must be much higher!? ΔT ~ 500-600K?
 - Affects other elements (Be, B, O)
 - Casagrande et al. 2010 new, detailed estimate of T scale gives $\Delta T \sim 200$ K



Lithium Theory: Mixing

• Lithium burned easily in stars

 $T > 2.5 \times 10^6 \Rightarrow^7 Li + p \rightarrow 2^4 He$

- $T > 2 \times 10^6 \Rightarrow Li + D \rightarrow 2^4 He$
- Destroyed by convection!



- Surface material mixes in deeper Li destroyed
- If destroy ⁷Li destroy ⁶Li even more!
- But not enough! Not uniform!
 - Different stars different convective zones?
 - Would cause scatter!
 - Low-metallicity stars have shalower convective zones!



Lithium Depletion

- At very low metallicity [Fe/H]<-3
 - Li below Spite plateau
 - Much larger scatter
 - Even more below BBN+WMAP value
- Some depletion must exist!





Beyond Astrophysics

- Lithium problem remains
- No conventional solution found...yet
- Must fix ⁷Li without creating problems with other lite elements!
- Bonus: Same solution a source of ⁶Li?



Beyond Standard Model

- Lightest SUSY partner Favorite dark matter
- Hadronic decay of longlived parent (next-tolightest) SUSY particles during or after BBN Cyburt et al. 2009
- Changes abundances!
- Spallation
- Narrow parameter space that could fix both ⁶Li and ⁷Li !

White fields – allowed parameter space Abundance vs. decay time of particle X 7/12/2011 Tijana Prodanovic (prodan





Beyond Standard Model





A Different Approach

- Find another Li site!
- High Velocity Clouds (Wakker & van Woerden 1997)
 - (Some) Low metallicity (~ 10% solar)
 - Low dust
 - No stellar modeling
 - Test pre-galactic Li production
- But photoionisation high, column low, measurement difficult





A Different Approach

- Find another Li site!
- Small Magellanic Cloud (Howk et al 2010 proceedings, 2011 submitted)
 - Metallicity ~ 0.25 solar
 - Measure Li abundance (and 7/6 ratio!)
 - Independant probe
 - Stay tuned!





Lithium Problem: Recap

- Factor of ~ 3 discrepancy between BBN+CMB and observed Li abundances in halo stars
- Observational errors temperature scale? New destruction channels – mixind, relic particle decay?
- Upcomig tests LHC, low-metal gas observations
- Solution coming soon! < 10 yr







Deuterium Problem?

- BBN & CMB concordance great!
- Primordial D cosmology success story
- But locally...





(Local) Deuterium Problem

- Simple history
 - Made in BBN $\left(\frac{D}{H}\right)_p \approx 2.82 \times 10^{-5} = 28.2 \text{ppm}$
 - Destroyed everywhere mostly stellar processing
 - Probes gas "virgin" fraction
 - Great for Galactic Chemical Evolution (GCE)
- But large local variations! Factor ~ 2-3!
 - Both high (~ primordial) and low (Linsky et al. 2006)

$$\left(\frac{D}{H}\right)_{ISM} \cong (0.5 - 2.2) \times 10^{-5}$$



Deuterium Variations





Why Care?

- What is the local (ISM) D abundance?
- ISM D very high? (Linsky et al 2006)

$$\left(\frac{D}{H}\right)_{ISM} \ge (2.31 \pm 0.24) \times 10^{-5}$$

- Implications
 - Very low stellar processing? GCE models disagree
 - Large infall/accretion of primordial material?
 - Higher primordial D abundance?



ISM Deuterium Observations

- Neutral interstellar medium
- DI apsorption Lyman series in UV stellar spectra
- Most current observations
 - Hubble Space
 Telescope ongoing
 - Far Ultraviolet
 Spectroscopic Explore
 (FUSE) not
 operational

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Local Deuterium Observations

- ISM measurements, but in fact very local
- Only up to ~ 500 pc
- Complicated velocity profiles – superposition of clouds
- Deuterium line
 "invisible" under H
 lyman apsorption



Solution?

- Deuterium preferentially (compared to H) depleted onto dust! (Jura 1982, Draine 2004, 2006)
- Measure only gas-phase abundance
- Some D fraction locked in dust grains
- Observe lower bound on "true" abundance
- D should anticorrelate with other refractory elements depletion

(Fe, Si, Ti etc.)





Dust Depletion

• D should anticorrelate with other refractory elements depletion (Fe, Si, Ti etc.)

 $D(\mathbf{X}) = \log[(\mathbf{X}/\mathbf{H})_{gas}/(\mathbf{X}/\mathbf{H})_{sol}]$





"True" ISM Deuterium?

- Measure lower bound on the "true", undepleted D
- Highest measured abundance is closest to true value
- Linsky et al. 2006
 - Take 5 highest values
 - "True" ISM D abundance

 $y_{D, ISM+dust} \ge 2.31 \pm 0.24$

• "True" ISM D = 82% of PRIMORDIAL!

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GCE Objects!

- Deuterium destroyed through stellar cycling
- Astration factor (Steigman et al. 2007) $1.4 \le f_D \equiv y_{Dp} / y_{DISM} \le 1.8$
- But new *FUSE* high ISM D $f_D \le 1.22 \pm 0.15$
- Most gas still unprocessed?
- Gas observations say ~20% of present baryonic mass in ISM
- But D observations say ~80% initial gas unprocessed!



Deuterium Facelift?



- High D but normal stellar processing?
- Need infall of (close to) pristine material
 - e.g. High-velocity clouds with low, ~ 10% solar metallicity
 - Leftover primordial has?
 - Replenish deuterium





Infall Side Effects

- Increase ISM D abundance
- Increase gas content of the Galaxy
- Dilutes metal content of the Galaxy

 Deuterium and Galactic gas fraction observations powerful constraint of the infall rate



How much infall?

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- D vs. gas fraction
- Shaded = observations
- Infall ~ star formation rate $M_{\rm infall} = \alpha \psi(t)$
- Allowed infall rate $0.5 \le \alpha \le 1$
- Almost balances out starformation!
- Consistent with hierarchical galaxy formation (accretion)
- Still tension with GCE present 7/12/2011



Prodanovic & Fields 52008)



Dust Depletion?

- True at some level, but....
 - Correlation with refractiory elements not great
 - D constant in Local Bubble while Fe depleted?





Dust Depletion?

- True at some level, but....
 - Latest "True" ISM D estimate based on 5 highest LOS
 - Might be contaminted by recent infall?
- Need to reevaluate all available data
- Second oppinion: A statistical approach



A Statistical Approach

- Hogan et al. (1997) analysis of ⁴He data
 - Goal: Find primordial ⁴He
 - Have: post-BBN ⁴He production contaminated data
 - Assume: There is a post-BBN production
- Take entire deuterium data set 46 LOS (Linsky et al. 2006)
- Assume nothing about (dust) depletion distribution – only that it exists



Bayesian Maximum Likelihoon

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- Assume there is depletion
- Generic depletion probability distribution:
- 1) Top hat all levels of depletion equally probable
- 2) Negative bias favors large depletion
- Positive bias favors low 3) depletion





Results: Maximum Likelihood





True ISM Deuterium Abundance

- Use all 46 LOS
- Top-hat depletion distribution highest max likelihood value

$$y_{D,ISM} \ge y_{D,\max} = (2.0 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-5}$$

- Marginally consistent with Liski et al. (2006) $y_{D,ISM+dust} \ge (2.31 \pm 0.24) \times 10^{-5}$
- Releases tension with GCE models and highredshift measurements



Problems

- Uniform LB D abundance vs. large scatter in nLB? - LB - no depletion? $y_{D,LB} = 1.5$ w = 0- nLB - large depletion? $y_{D,nLB} = 2.1$ w = 1.6
- Is LB uniformily depleted? Why does Fe vary?
- Is nLB enriched with unmixed infall?
- Is Fe really a good depletion indicator for D?
- Do Fe and D deplete on same types of grains?
- Dust grain physics still unknown territory...


Primordial Element Problem(s)

- Lithium is still a problem
 - Probably too large discrepancy to be observational
 - Need some way to destroy
 - In stars deeper mixing?
 - Decay of recil particles at BBN epoch LHC?

– Need new site! SMC measurements soon!

- Deuterium BBN + WMAP concordance
 - OK at high-z but locally a pressing problem
 - Can have important cosmological consequences
 - No need to panic...yet







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How much infall needed?

- Build a "keep it simple" model
 - Infall and NO outflow
 - Infall rate proportional to star-formation rate $\psi(t)$ $\dot{M}_{infall} = \alpha \psi(t)$
 - Define gas mass fraction

$$\omega(t) \equiv M_{ISM}(t) / M_{baryon}(t)$$

- Specify return fraction R - fraction of initial stellar mass that is returned to ISM (follows from Initial mass function); e.g. R = 0.3 from Salpeter IMF



IMF Constraints

- At late times D and gas fraction approach minimum values
- Limiting curves above which no solutions for range of return fractions
- Allowed only $0.1 < R \le 0.4$ °.2
- Modern IMFs demand

R = 0.4







Results: Local bubble

- 21 Local Bubble LOS
- 1,2,3 σ contours
- All depletion distributions yield

 $y_{D,LB} \cong 1.5 \quad w \cong 0 \quad f_{D,LB} \le 1.8$

- Local Bubble
 - Consistent with no depletion
 - Consistent with GCE

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D vs. Metal yields

Freshly synthesized metals

 Z_{synt}

SN metal yield $Z_{SN} \sim 10 Z_{sol}$

Present reasonable estimates

$$Z_{synt}/Z_{ISM} \approx 4$$

consistent with large or no infall since all curves converge.



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Model: details

$$\frac{dM_{ISM}}{dt} = -(1-R)\psi + \alpha\psi$$
$$\frac{d}{dt}(DM_{ISM}) = -D\psi + D_p\alpha\psi$$

Where *D* is the deuterium mass fraction defined as:

Taking
$$\mu \equiv M_{ISM}(t) / M_{baryon}(t=0)$$
 we get:

$$\frac{D(t)}{D_p} = \frac{R}{\alpha + R} \left(\frac{\alpha}{R} + \mu^{\frac{\alpha + R}{1 - \alpha - R}} \right)$$

 $D \equiv X_D \equiv \frac{\rho_D}{\rho_{baryon}} \cong 2 \left(\frac{D}{H}\right) X_H$

which we can express in terms of the present gas mass fraction by using:

$$\omega(t) = \frac{M_{ISM}}{M_{baryon}} = \frac{1 - R - \alpha}{1 - R - \alpha \mu(t)} \mu(t)$$
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 $R(m) \equiv m_{ei}/m$

 $\phi(m) \equiv dN/dm$

model: details – Return fraction

Approximate: $m_{ei}(m) = m - m_{rem}(m)$

Then, define return fraction for each progenitor mass as:

To find a global return fraction must specify the IMF:

$$R = \frac{\int_{m_L}^{m_U} dm \cdot R(m) \cdot m \cdot \phi(m)}{\int_{m_L}^{m_U} dm \cdot m \cdot \phi(m)}$$

For mass ranges $8 \le m_{ex}/M_{ex} \le 100$ and $0.8 \le m_{ex}/M_{ex} \le 8$

For mass ranges $8 \le m_{SN}/M_{sol} \le 100$ and $0.8 \le m_{AGB}/M_{sol} \le 8$ and Salpeter IMF $\phi(m) \propto m^{-2.35}$ we find return fraction R = 0.31

Modern IMFs are flatter in the high-mass regime \rightarrow more high-mass stars \rightarrow more ejecta \rightarrow larger return fractions $R \sim 0.4$ Tijana Prodanovic @ SF Cosmology Workshop

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model: details - envelope

$$\frac{D(t)}{D_p} = \frac{R}{\alpha + R} \left(\frac{\alpha}{R} + \mu^{\frac{\alpha + R}{1 - \alpha - R}} \right)$$

$$\omega(t) \equiv \frac{M_{ISM}}{M_{baryon}} = \frac{1 - R - \alpha}{1 - R - \alpha \mu(t)} \mu(t)$$

For large infall where $R + \alpha \ge 1$

For small infall where $R + \alpha < 1$

$$\mu \to 0 \qquad \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mu^{\frac{\alpha+R}{1-\alpha-R}} \to 0 \implies \frac{D_{\min}}{D_p} \to \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+R} \\ & \text{Tijana} \mathcal{Q}_{\text{min}} \text{oclanov} \ \Theta \text{ SF Cosmology Workshop} \\ & \text{prodanvc} \mathcal{O} \text{f.uns.ac.rs} \end{cases}$$

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A BAYESIAN approach

• Finding maximum likelihood $\{y_{D,\max}, w\}$

$$L(y_{D,\max}, w) = \prod_{i} \int dy_{D,i,T} P(y_{D,i} \mid y_{D,i,T}) P(y_{D,i,T} \mid y_{D,\max}; w)$$

- $P(y_{D,i} | y_{D,i,T})$ Probability distribution
 - Relates what is measured to what should be measured (true) if it were no errors
 - Assume Gaussian
- $P(y_{D,i,T} | y_{D,\max}; w)$ Depletion probability distribution
 - Probability of finding the true, dust depleted ISM D given $\mathcal{Y}_{D,i,T}$ the max. gas phase D $\mathcal{Y}_{D,max}$ and depletion w



Choice: Depletion distributions

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1) Top hat – all levels of depletion equally probable

1) Negative bias – favors large depletion

1) Positive bias – favors low depletion





LB vs. Non-LB

- Local Bubble very different from non-Local Bubble
 Prodanovic, Steigman & Fields (arXiv:0910.4961
- LB blue – Uniform
- nLB red
 - Large scatter
- First treat separately





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Results: Depletion Distributions

- All 46 LOS
- **Different depletion** distribution comparison
 - Top-hat

$$y_{D,nLB} = 2.0 \quad w = 1.3$$

- Positive-bias

$$w_{D,nLB} = 1.8 \quad w = 1.5$$

– Negative-bias

$$y_{D,nLB} = 2.4$$
 $w = 1.7$

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3.0 All LOS Top-Hat 2.5 2.0 ≥ 1.5 1.0 0.5 3:8 1.5 2 All LOS Positive-Bias 2.0 2.5 2.5 YD,min 2.0 = y_{D,max} 1.5 1.0 ≥ 0.5 3:8 1.5 2 All LOS Negative-Bias 2.0 2.5 2.5 2.0 ≥ 1.5 1.0 0.5 0.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 $y_{D,max} = 10^5 (D/H)_{max}$

Prodanovic et al. (2010)

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Abundances 101

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• Log abundances

$$\log y_i \equiv \log \varepsilon_i = \log \frac{\iota}{H} + 12$$

$$\log \varepsilon_{H} = 12$$

Eg.
$$\log \varepsilon_{Li} = 2 \Longrightarrow \frac{Li}{H} = y_{Li} = 10^{-10}$$

• Elemental ratios relative to Solar

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \log\left(\frac{n_A}{n_B}\right) - \log\left(\frac{n_A}{n_B}\right)_{sol}$$
eg. metallicity
$$\begin{bmatrix} Fe \\ Hrodenovic @ SF Cosmology Workshop \\ prodanvc@df.uns.ac.rs} = 3.2 \times 10^{-6}$$

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- Ratio of some element to another (usually H)
- Notations/Representations

- Mass fraction $X_i = \frac{\rho_i}{P_{tot}}$ $X \equiv X_H$ $Y \equiv X_{He} \rho_{tot} Z \equiv X_{metal}$ X + Y + Z = 1

Solar values 0.70 + 0.28 + 0.02 = 1

- Abundance (wrt H, by number) $\frac{l}{H} \equiv y_i \equiv \frac{n_i}{n_H}$ $y_{He,sol} = 0.1$ $y_{Fe,sol} \equiv \left(\frac{Fe}{H}\right)_{sol} = 3.2 \times 10^{-5}$

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