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**Dust Models  
and Optical Properties**

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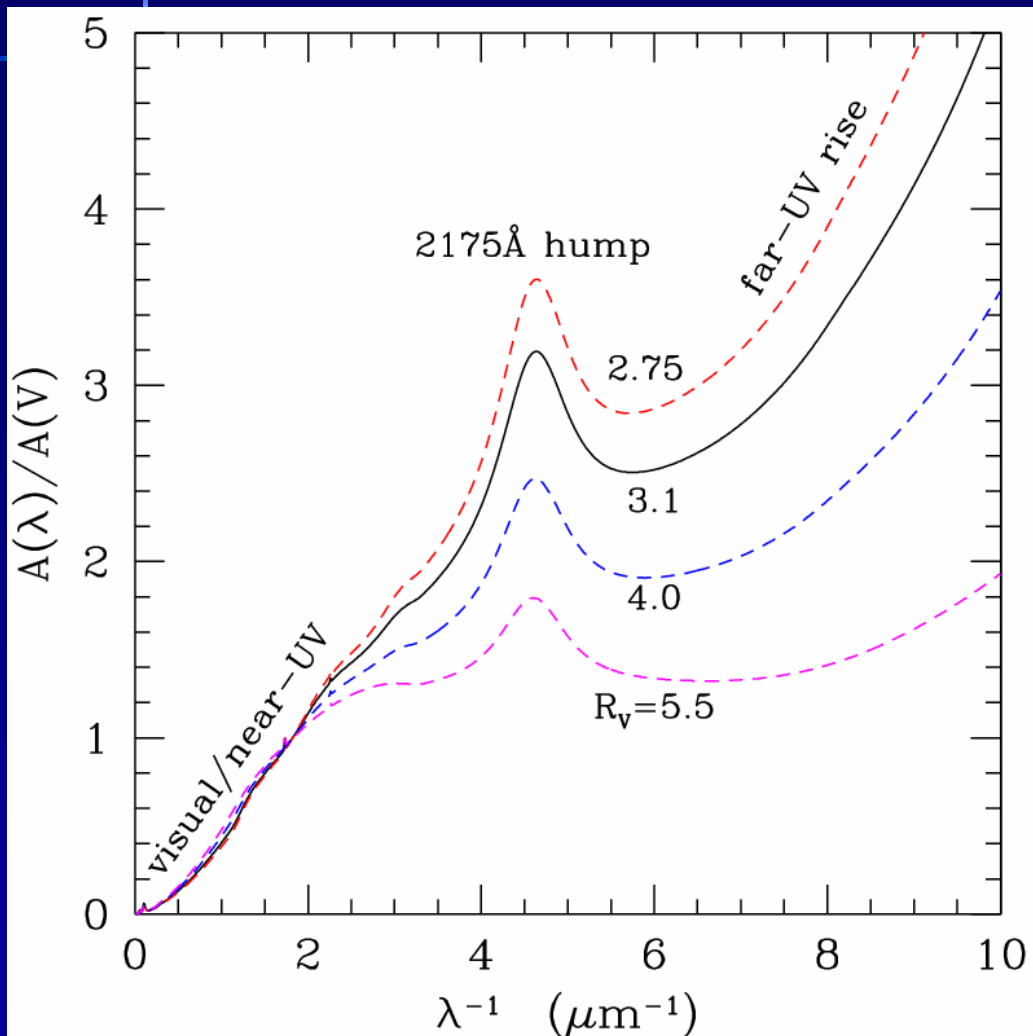
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- Part I: Optics of Dust
- Part II: Interstellar Dust
- Part III: Interstellar, Cometary, Circumstellar Disk Dust Models
  - Silicate-Graphite-PAH model;
  - Core-mantle model;
  - Composite model;
  - Porous aggregate model for cometary dust;
  - Porous dust model for dust disks;

# Part II: Interstellar Dust

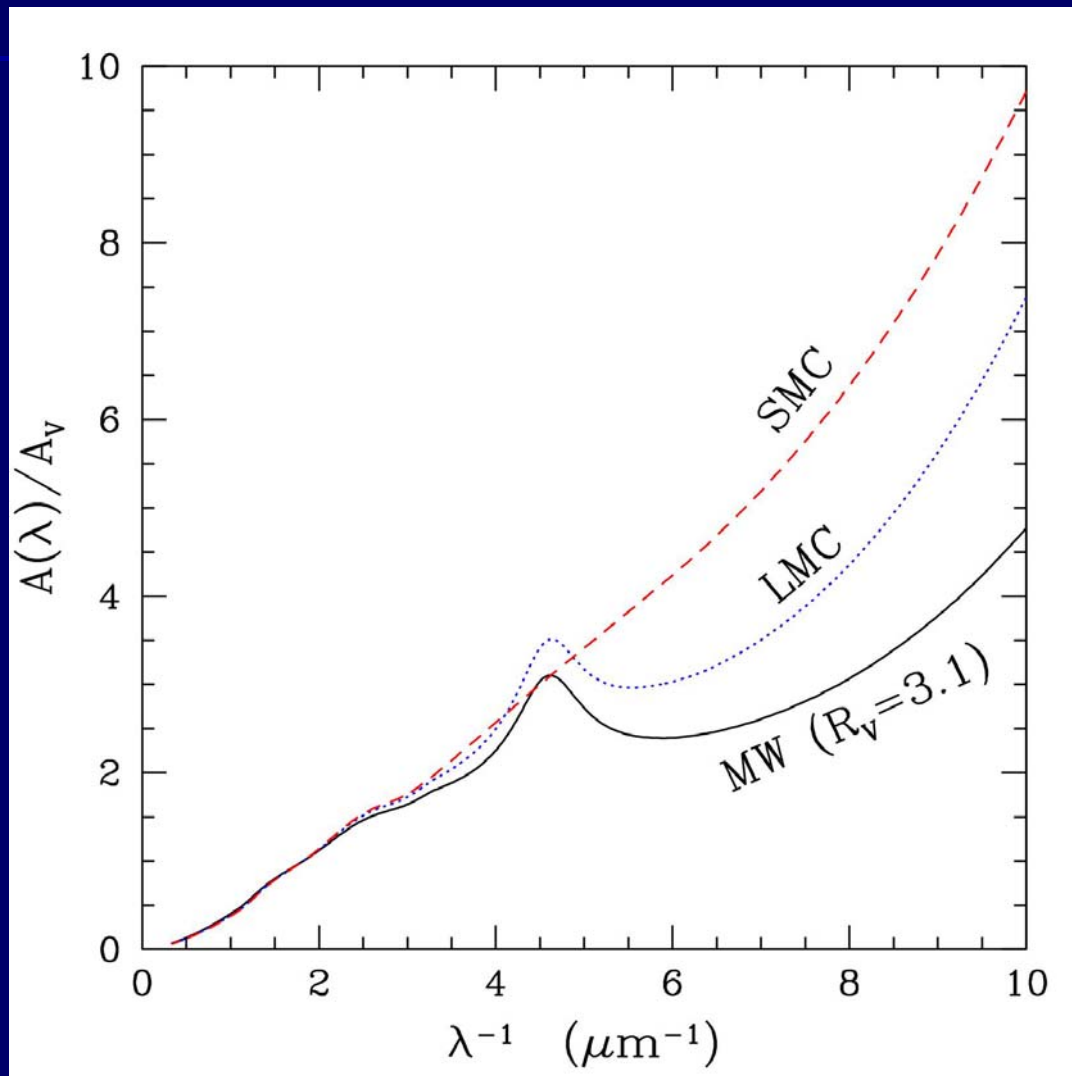
- The nature of the Milky Way interstellar dust
  - extinction  $\Rightarrow$  dust size;
  - spectral features  $\Rightarrow$  composition;
  - IR emission  $\Rightarrow$  dust size, composition;
  - polarization  $\Rightarrow$  shape: nonspherical;

# Milky Way Interstellar Extinction: Grain Size

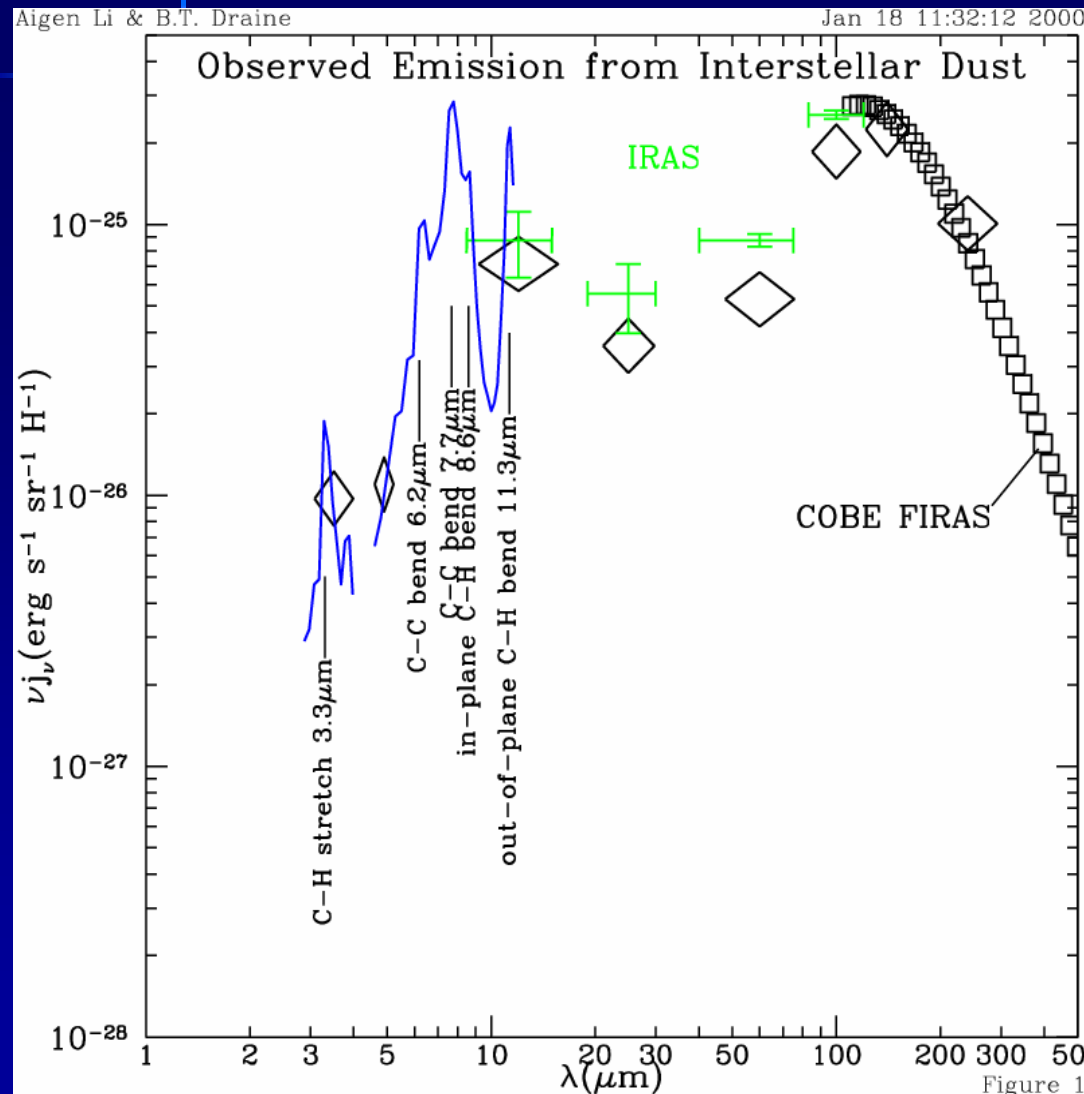


- 2 grain populations:
  - $a < 100 \text{ \AA}$ ;
  - $a > 0.1 \mu\text{m}$ ;
- Characterized by  $R_V = A_V/E(B-V)$ ;
  - dense regions: larger  $R_V$ ;
  - larger  $R_V \rightarrow$  larger grains;
- **2175 Å bump**
  - aromatic carbon;
  - small graphitic grains or PAHs;

# Interstellar Extinction: SMC/LMC vs. MW



# Infrared Emission: Grain Size and Composition



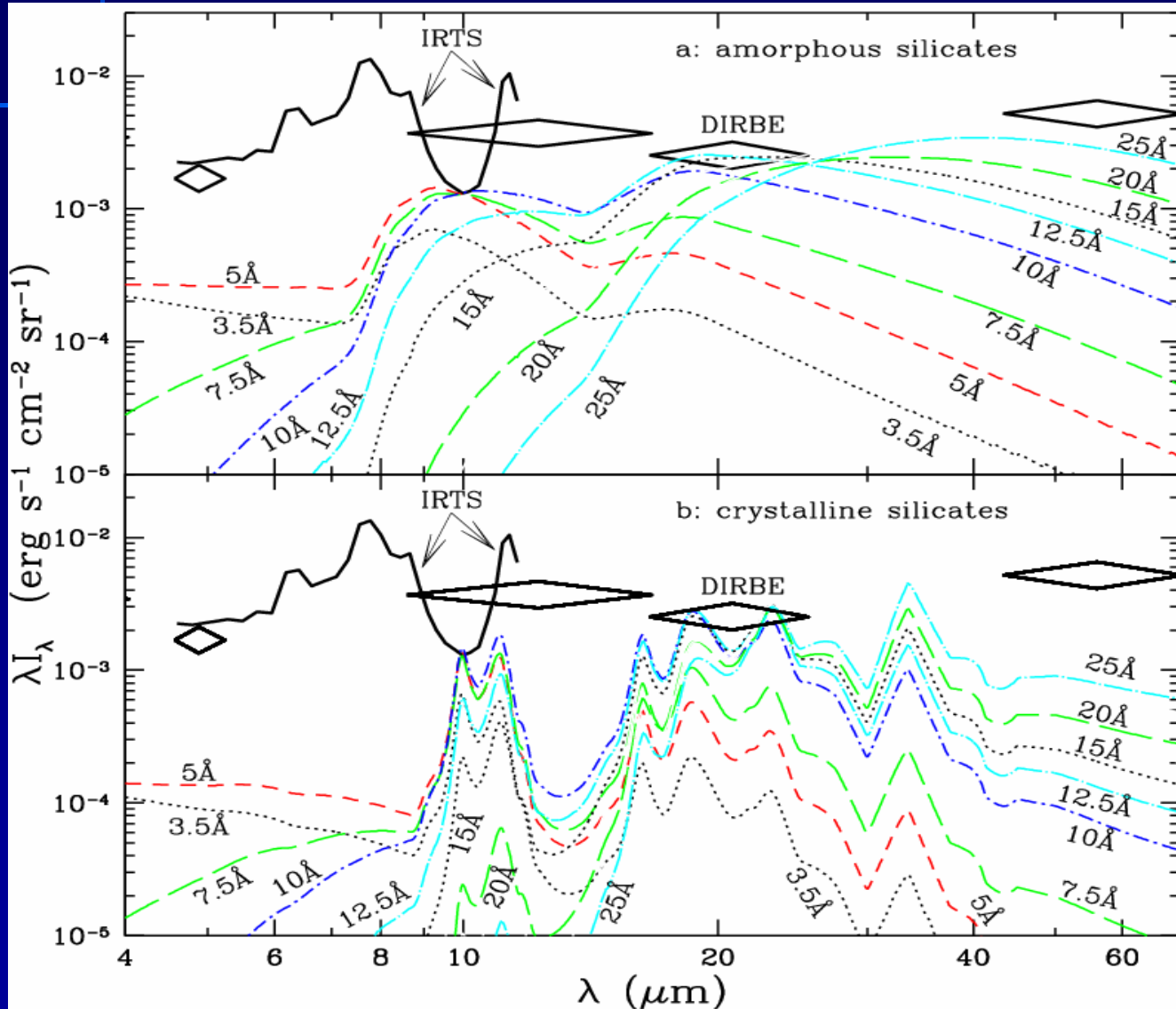
## ■ Classic grains

- $100\text{\AA} < a < 3000\text{\AA}$ ;
- $T_d \sim 20\text{K}$ ;
- emit at  $\lambda > 60\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\sim 2/3$  of total emitted power;

## ■ Ultrasmall grains:

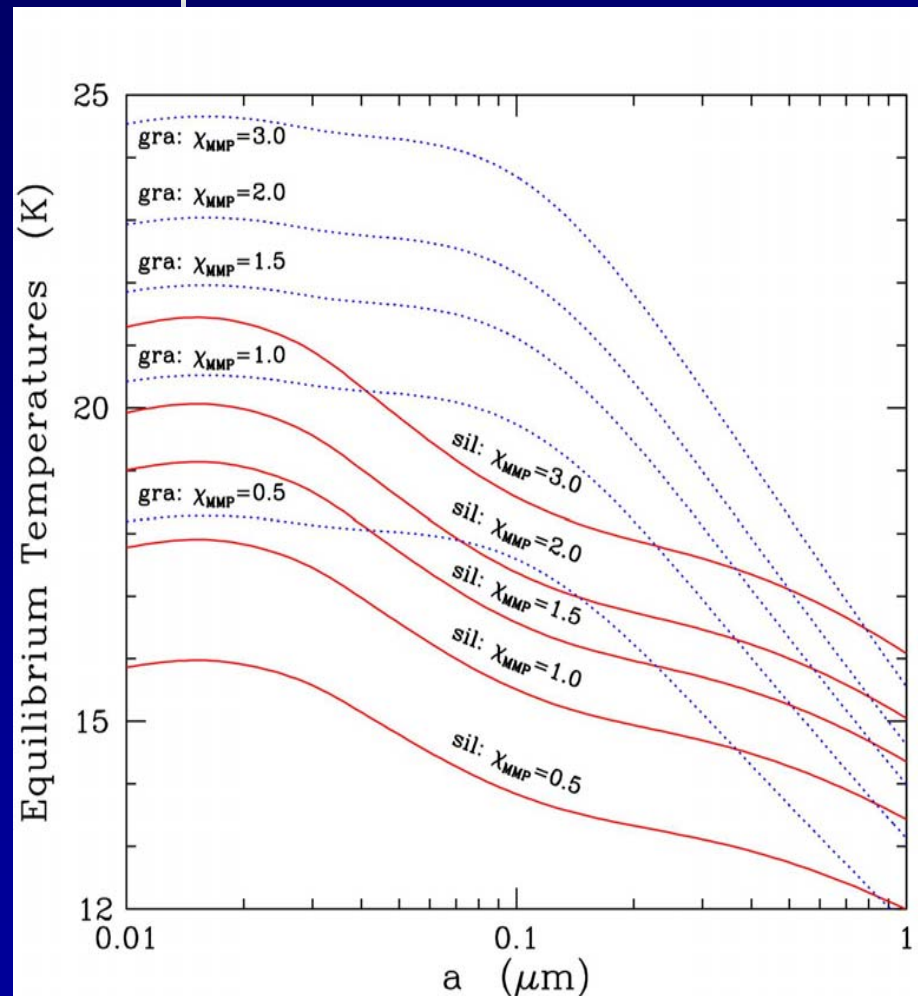
- PAHs ( $\sim 10\% \text{ C}$ );
- $a < 100\text{\AA}$ ;
- emit at  $\lambda < 60\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ;
- **stochastic heating**;
- $\sim 1/3$  of total power;

# Interstellar Silicates: Amorphous (Li & Draine 2001a)



- ultrasmall silicate grains  $\leq 5\%$ ;
- crystalline silicate (large or small size)  $\leq 5\%$ ;

# Thermal Equilibrium Temperatures of “Classical” Grains: 15-25K (Li & Draine 2001, ApJ, 554, 778)



Energy balance between absorption and emission  $\rightarrow$  “equilibrium” temperature:

$$\int_0^{\infty} C_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda) c u_{\lambda} d\lambda = \int_0^{\infty} C_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda) 4\pi B_{\lambda}(\bar{T}) d\lambda ,$$

$C_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda)$  = absorption cross section  $\leftarrow$  determined by grain size, composition, geometry

$B_{\lambda}(T)$  = Planck function,

$u_{\lambda}$  = energy density of the radiation field.

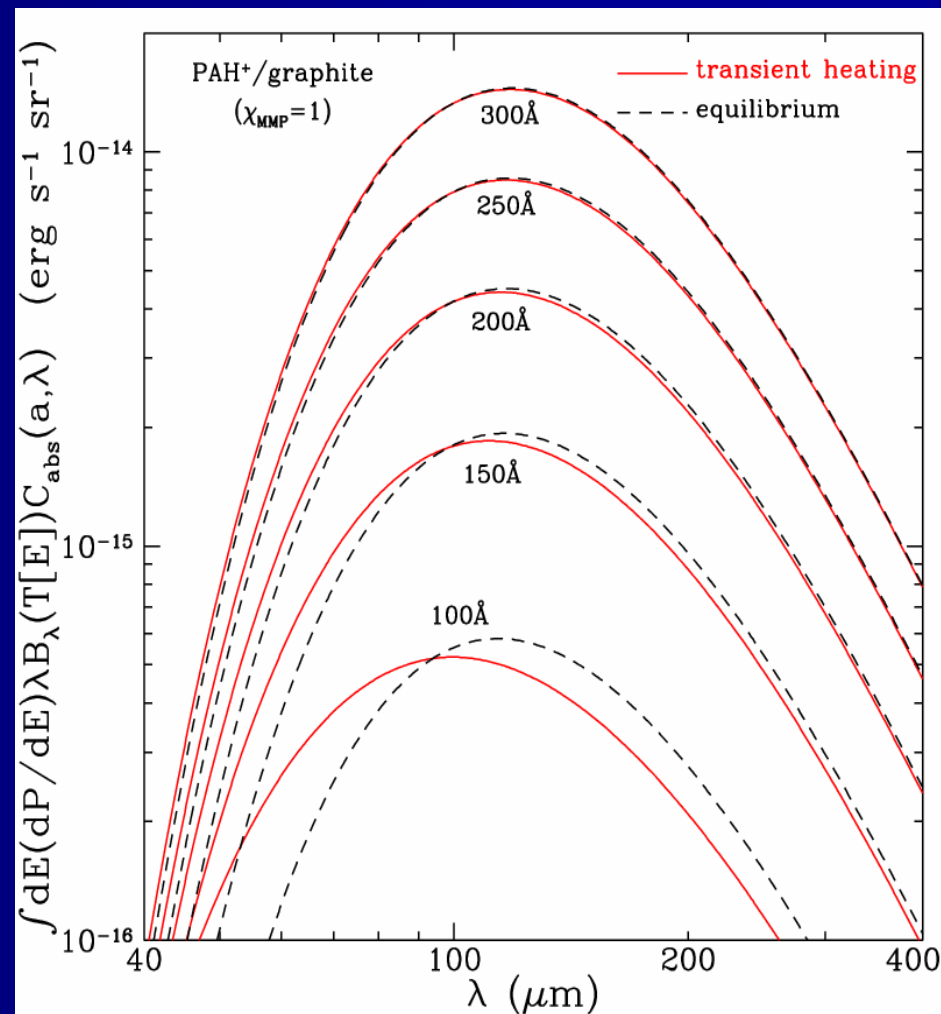
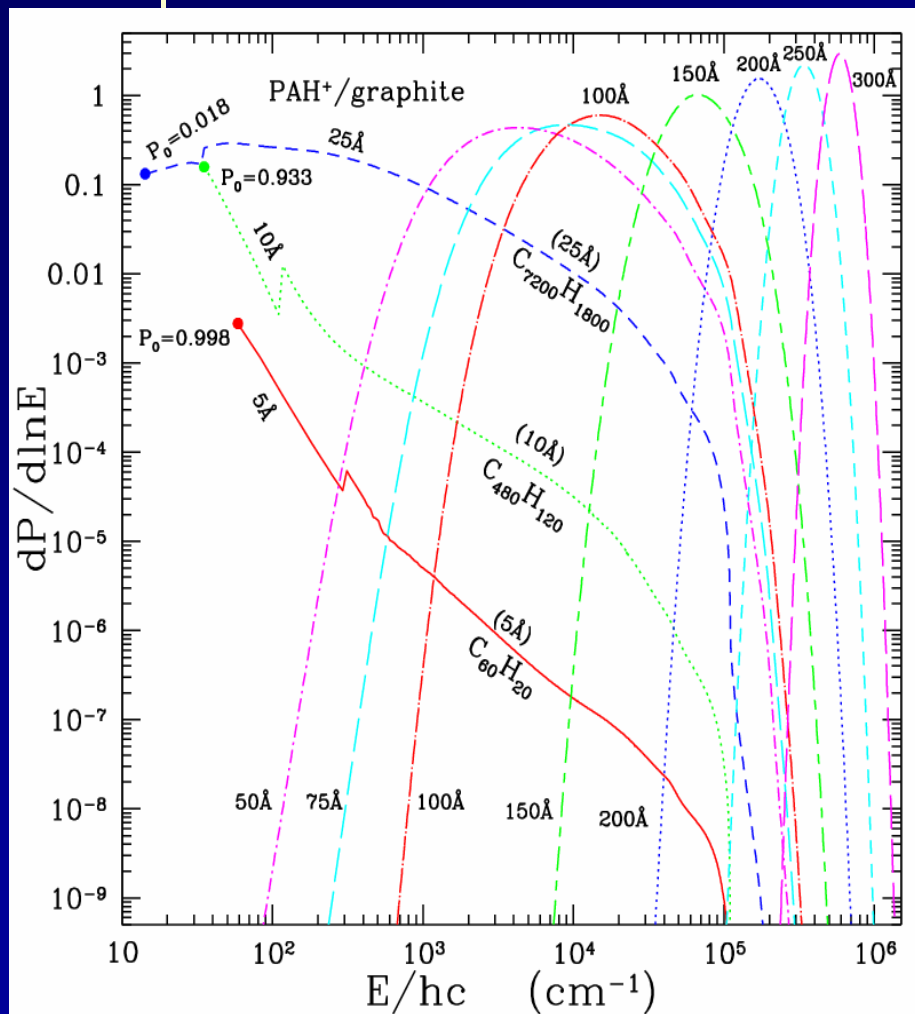
$$Q_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda) = \text{absorption efficiency} = C_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda) / \pi a^2 ,$$

$$\kappa_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda) = \text{mass absorption coefficient} = 3Q_{\text{abs}}(a, \lambda) / (4a\rho) ,$$

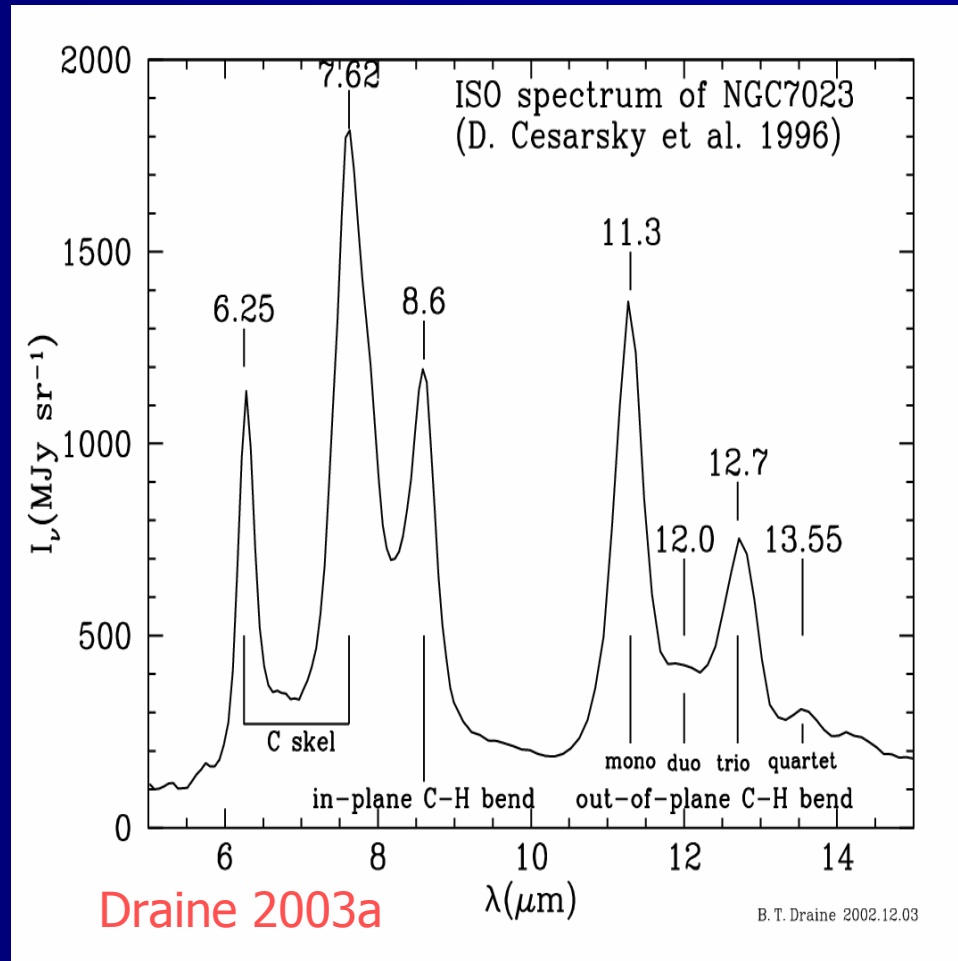
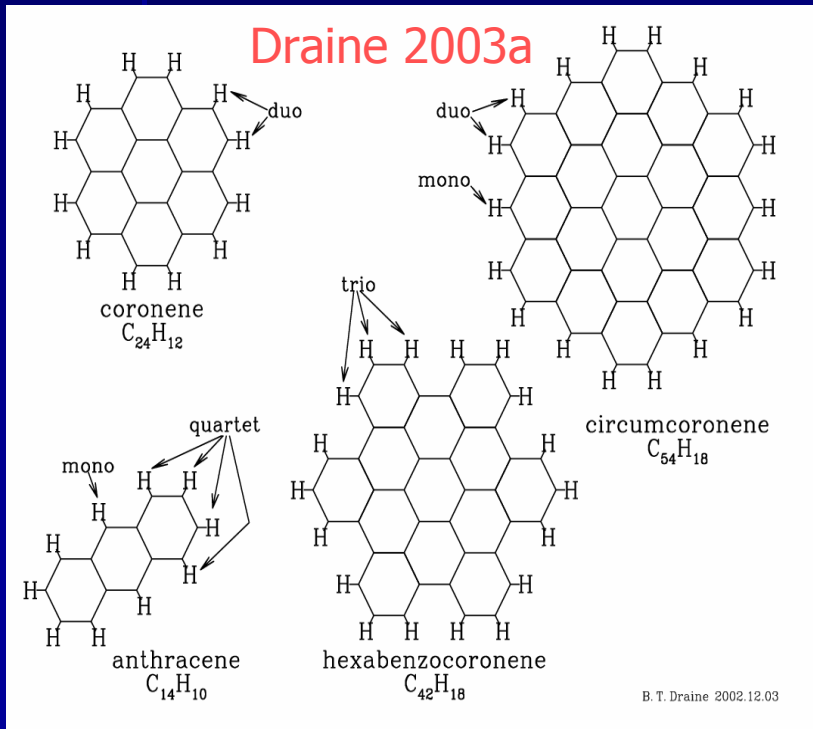


# Stochastic Heating Nature of Ultrasmall Grains

(Li & Draine, ApJ, 554, 778)



# PAHs are ubiquitous in Astrophysical Environments !

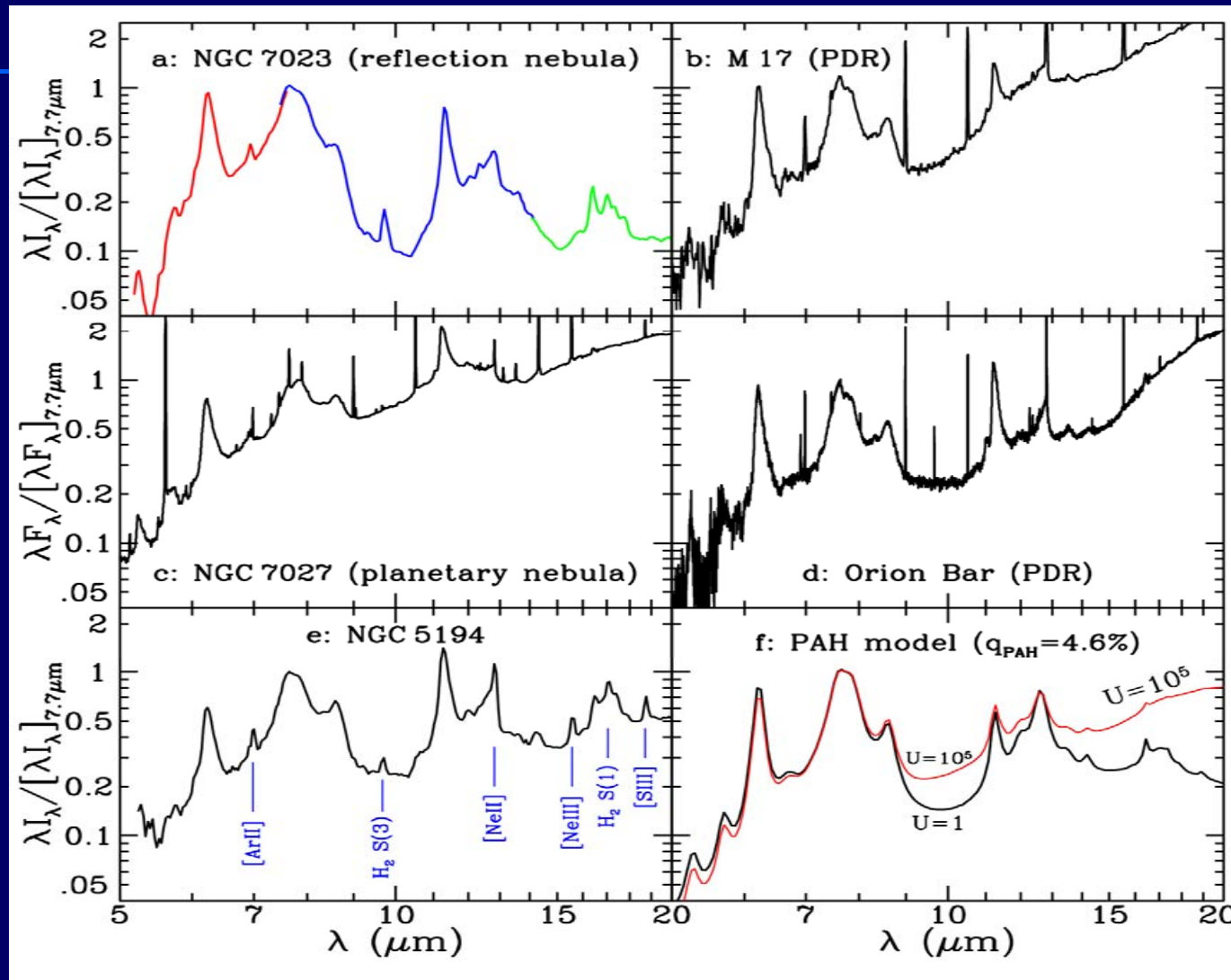


# PAHs are ubiquitous in the interstellar medium

- “Unidentified Infrared” (UIR) bands at 3.3, 6.2, 7.7, 8.6, 11.3 $\mu\text{m}$  are ubiquitously seen in interstellar space;
- → They are generally attributed to PAHs:
  - 3.3 $\mu\text{m}$ : C-H stretching mode;
  - 6.2, 7.7 $\mu\text{m}$ : C-C stretching modes;
  - 8.6 $\mu\text{m}$ : C-H in-plane bending mode;
  - 11.3, 12.7 $\mu\text{m}$ : C-H out-of-plane bending modes;
  - They require  $[\text{C}/\text{H}] \sim 60\text{ppm}$  (Li & Draine 2001b);

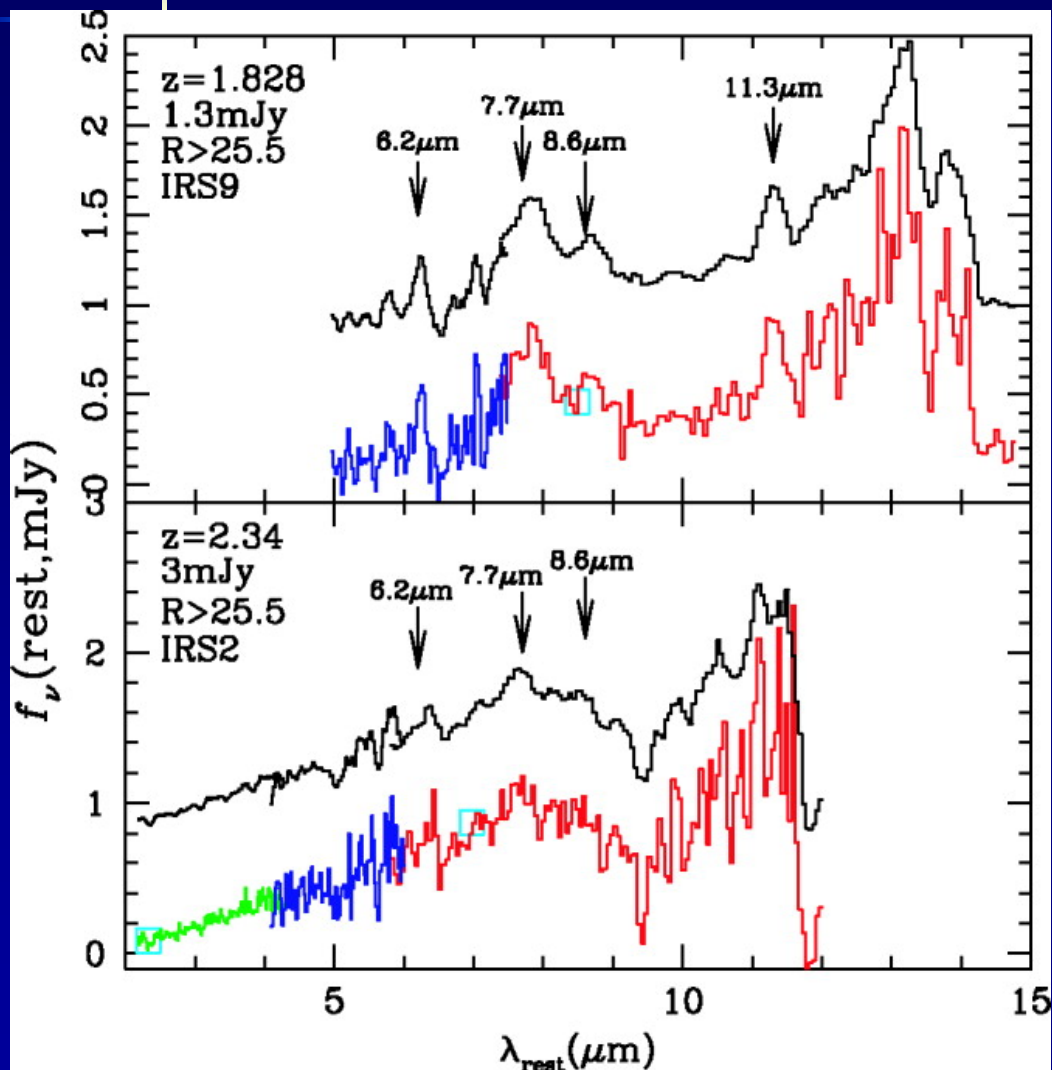
# PAHs are ubiquitous in space

(Draine & Li 2006, ApJ, in press)

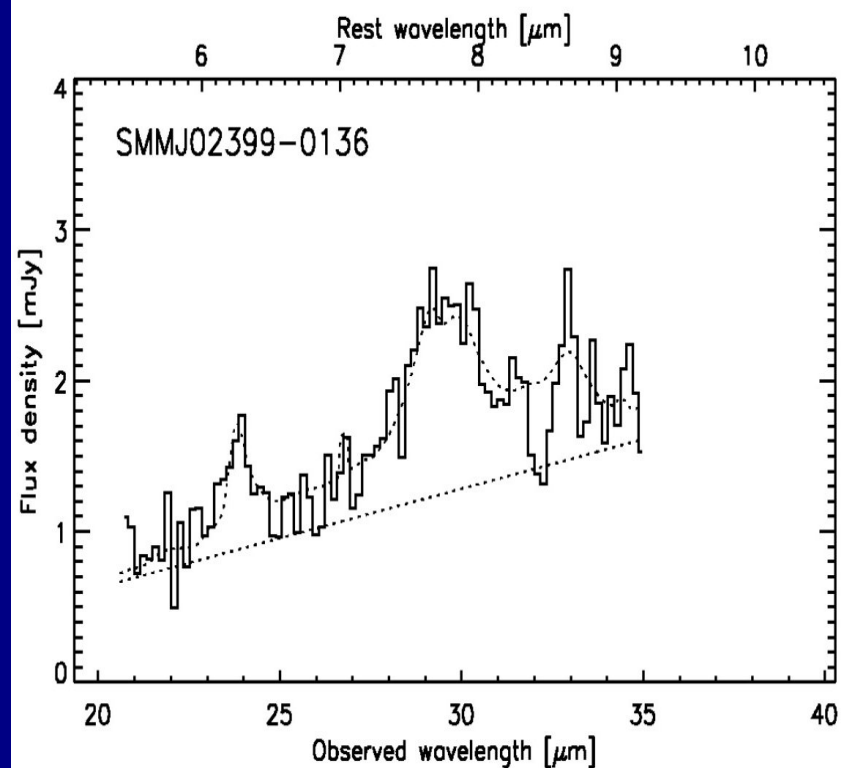


# PAHs in high-redshift galaxies

ULIRGs (Yan et al. 2005)

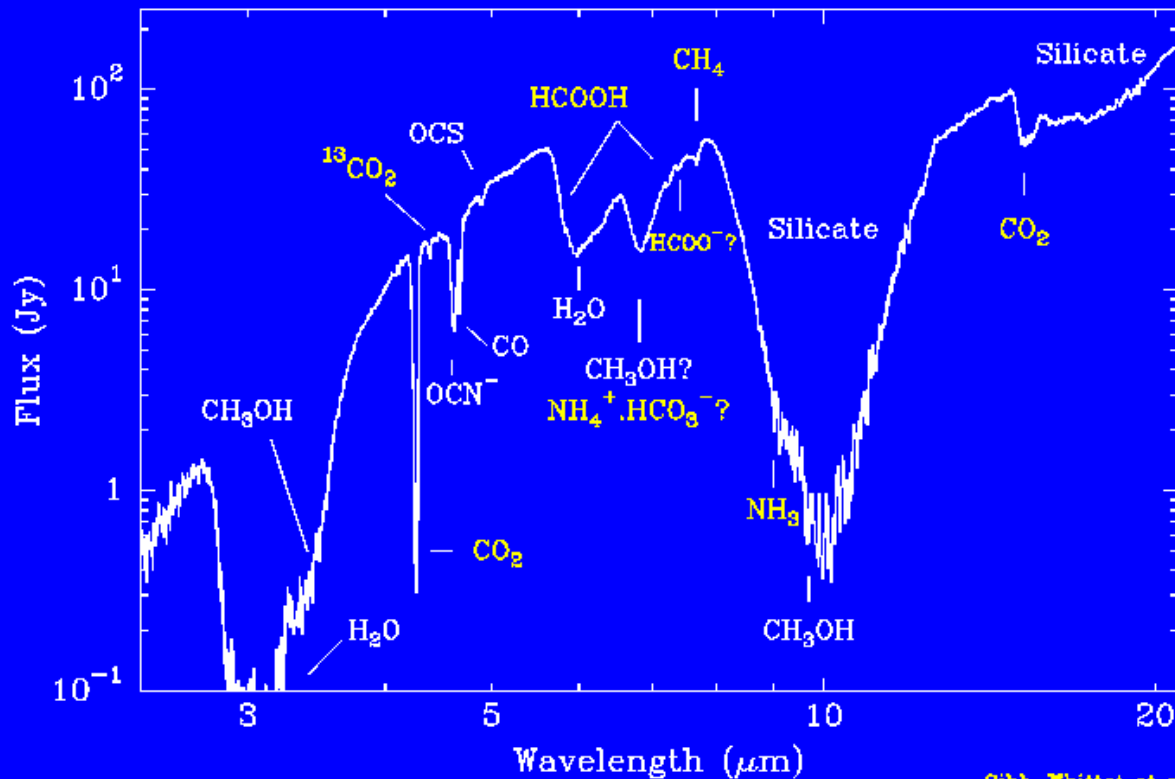


Luminous submm galaxy  
 $z \sim 2.8$  (Lutz et al. 2005)



# Absorption Features: Grain Composition

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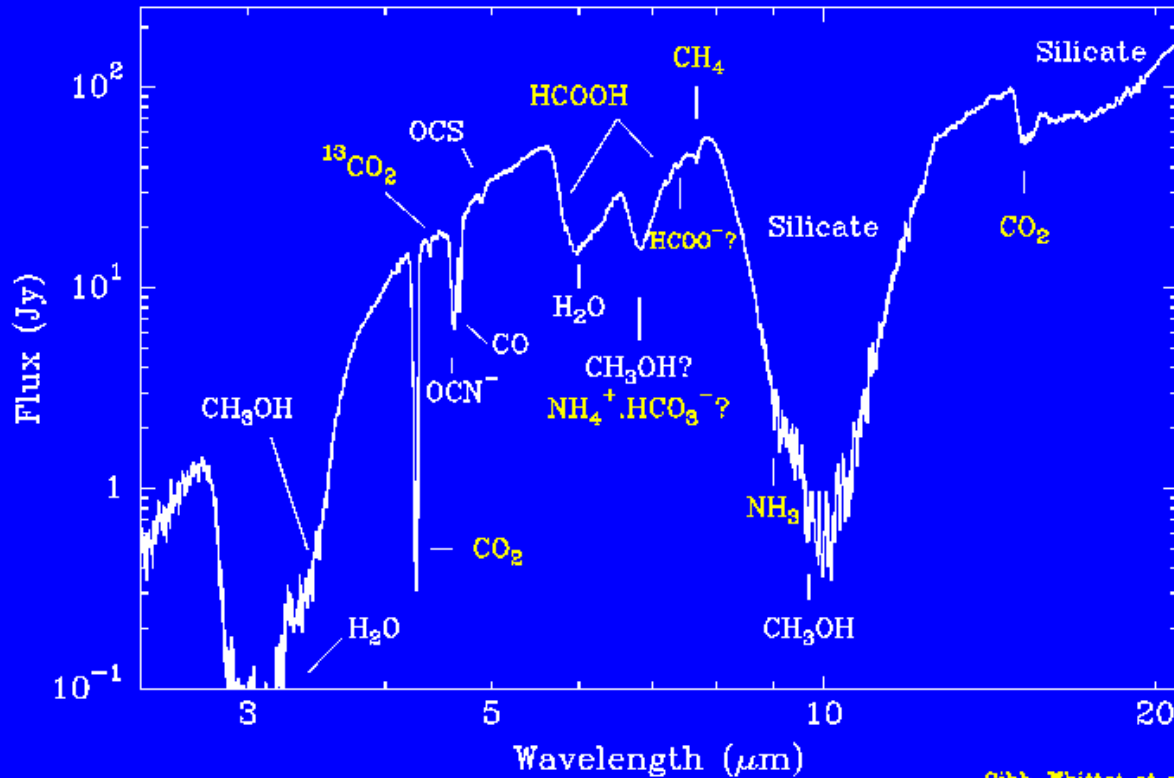


Gibb, Whittet et al. 2000  
Schutte et al. 1999

- Silicate dust
  - 9.7  $\mu\text{m}$ : Si-O stretching;
  - 18  $\mu\text{m}$ : O-Si-O bending;
  - Amorphous;

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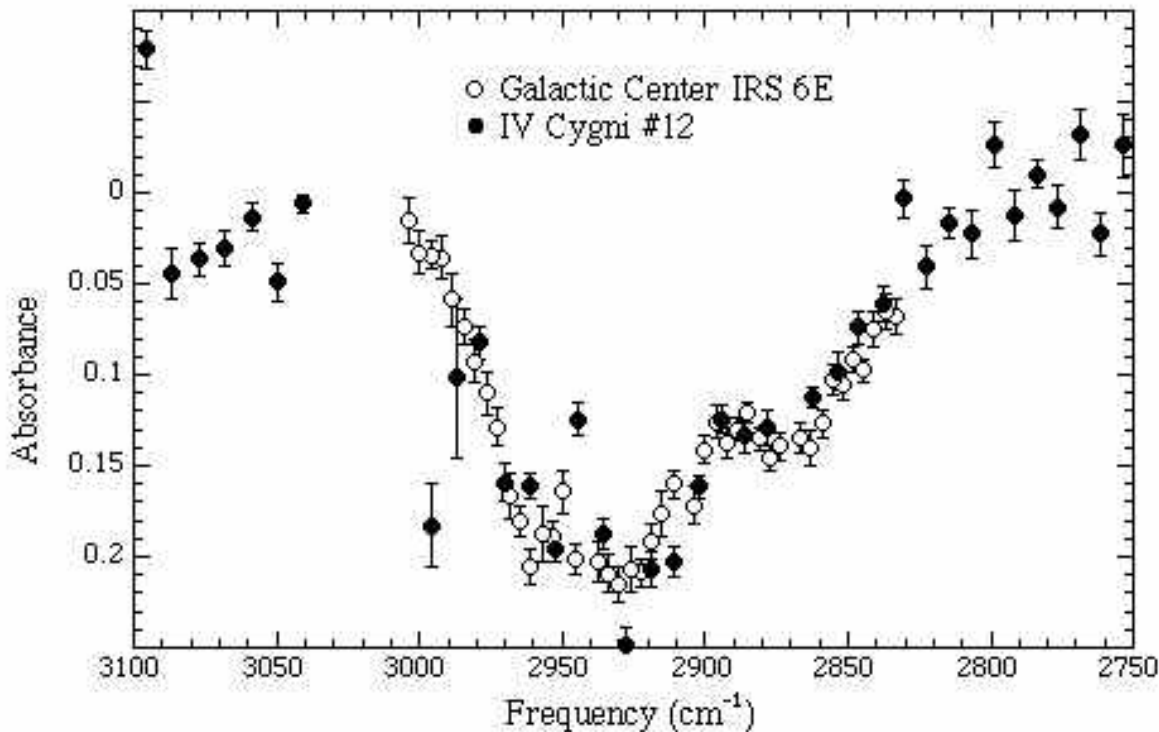
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## ■ Ices

- dense regions ( $A_V > 3$  mag);
- $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  3.1, 6.0 $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\text{CO}$  4.68 $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\text{CO}_2$  4.28, 15.2 $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  3.54, 9.75 $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\text{H}_2\text{CO}$  5.81 $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\text{CH}_4$  7.68 $\mu\text{m}$ ;
- $\text{NH}_3$  2.97 $\mu\text{m}$ ;

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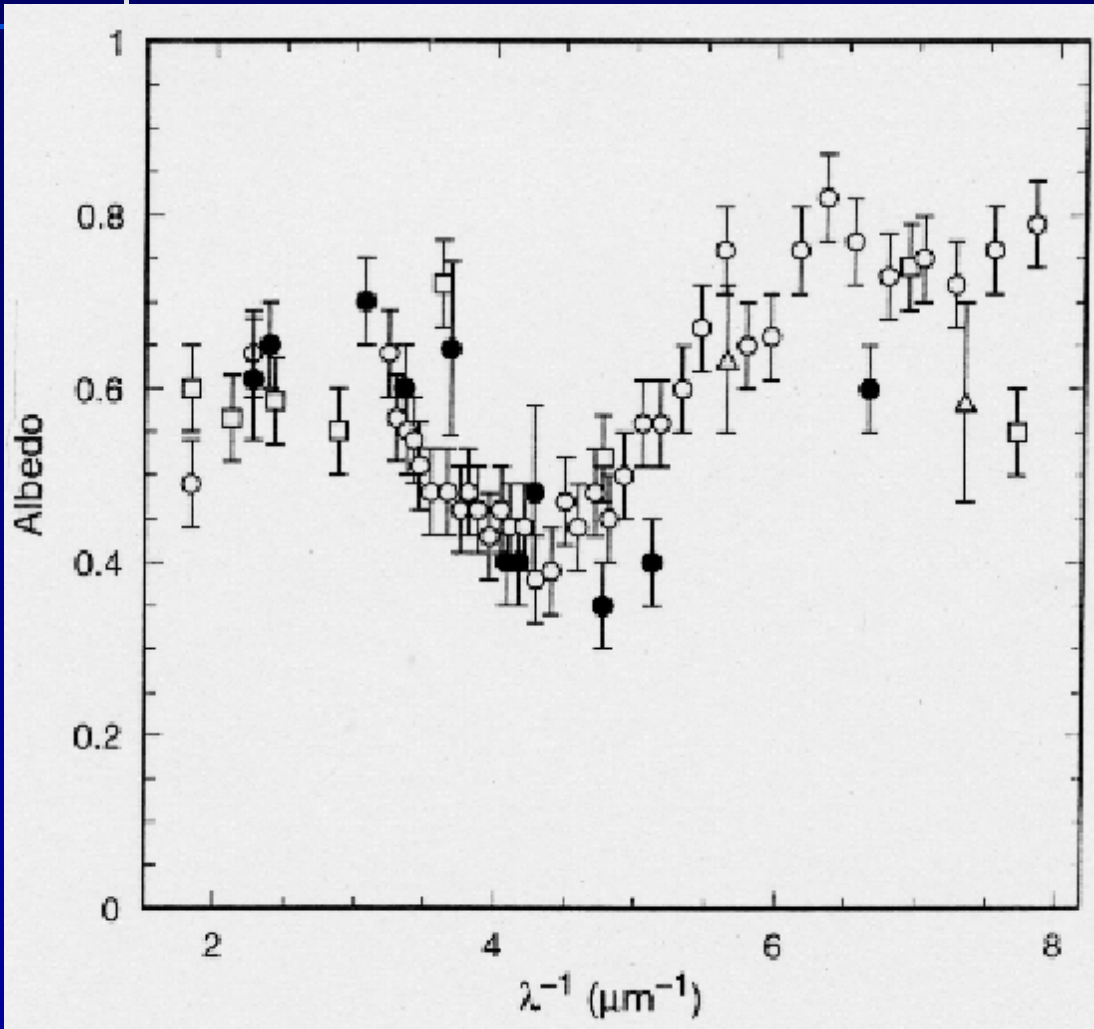
Comparison of the C-H Absorption Features Seen  
Towards Galactic Center IRS6E and VI Cygni #12



- Aliphatic hydrocarbon
  - 3.4  $\mu\text{m}$  C-H stretching band;
  - diffuse ISM;
  - PPN CRL 618;
  - other galaxies;

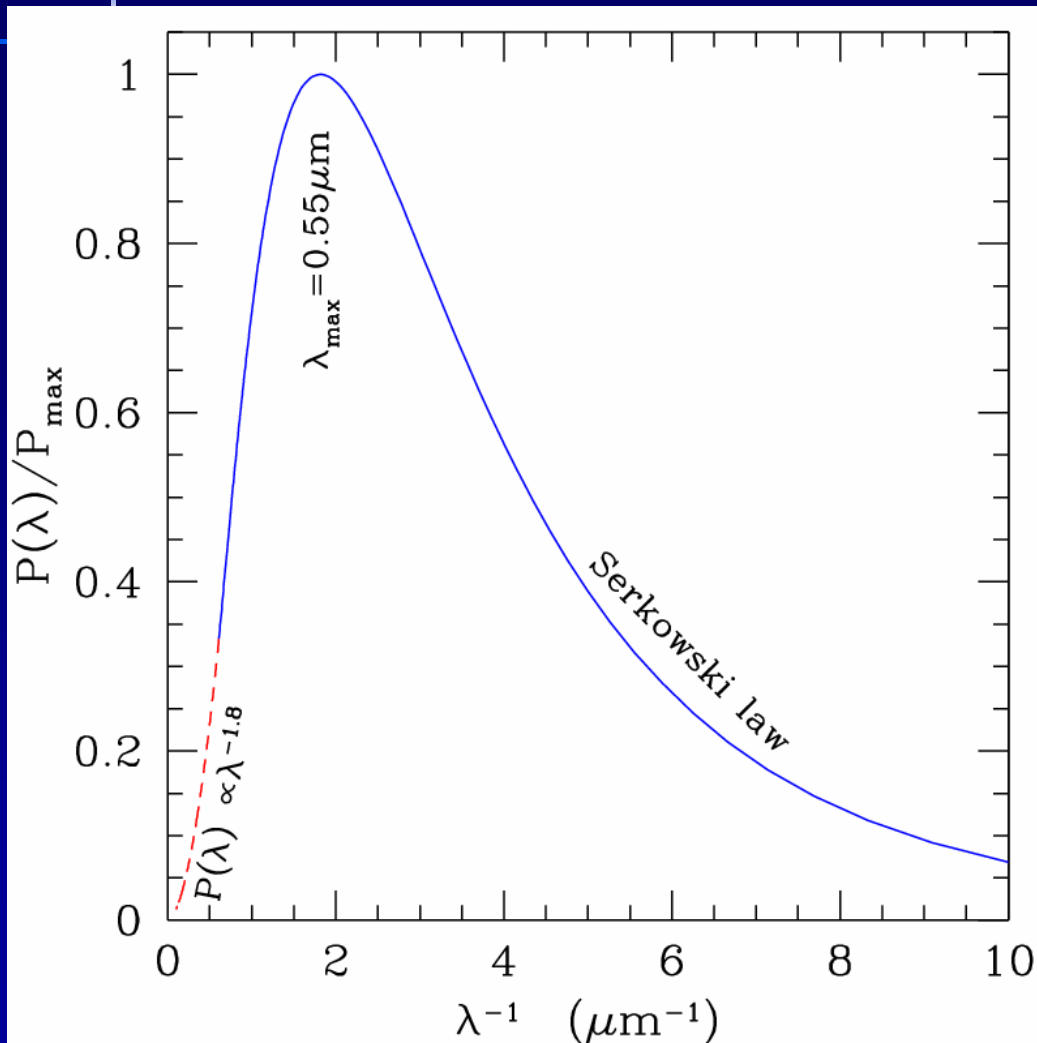


# Interstellar Scattering



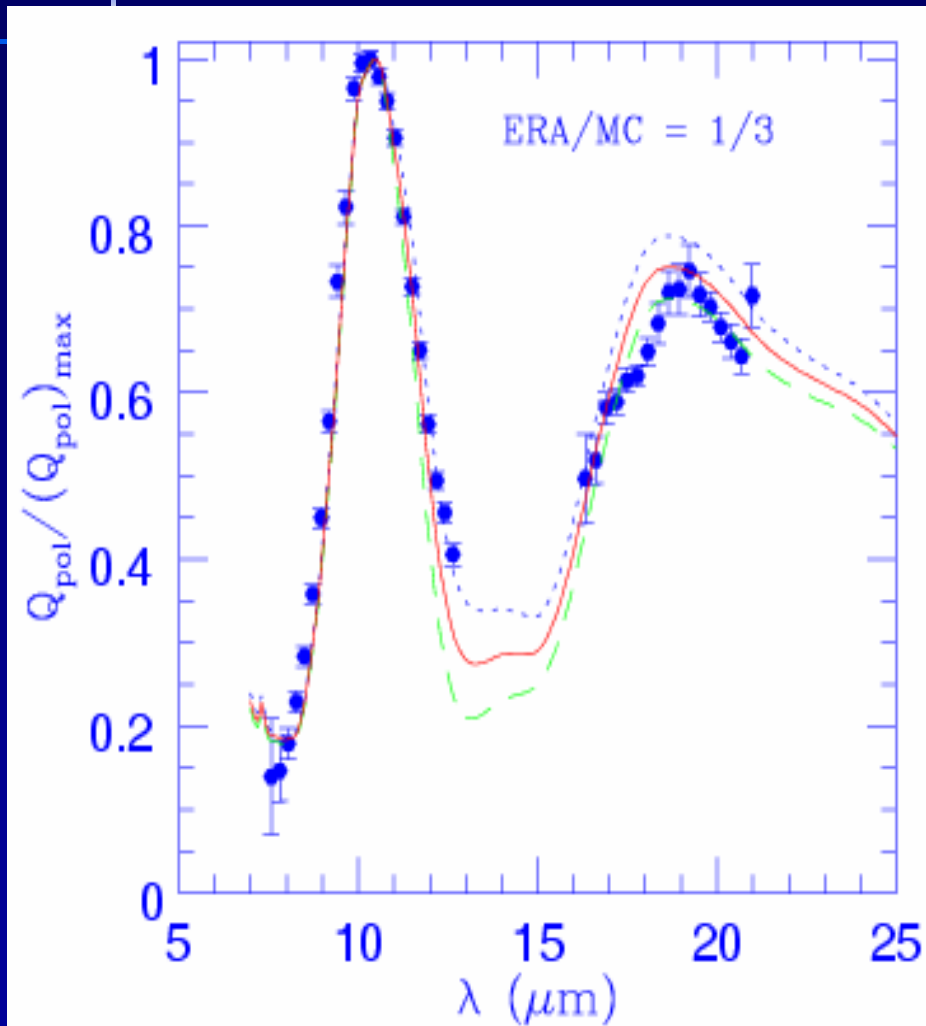
- Albedo  $a \approx 0.6$ ;
- Asymmetry factor  $g \approx 0.6-0.8$ ;
- 2175 Å hump:
  - no Scattering;

# Interstellar Polarization



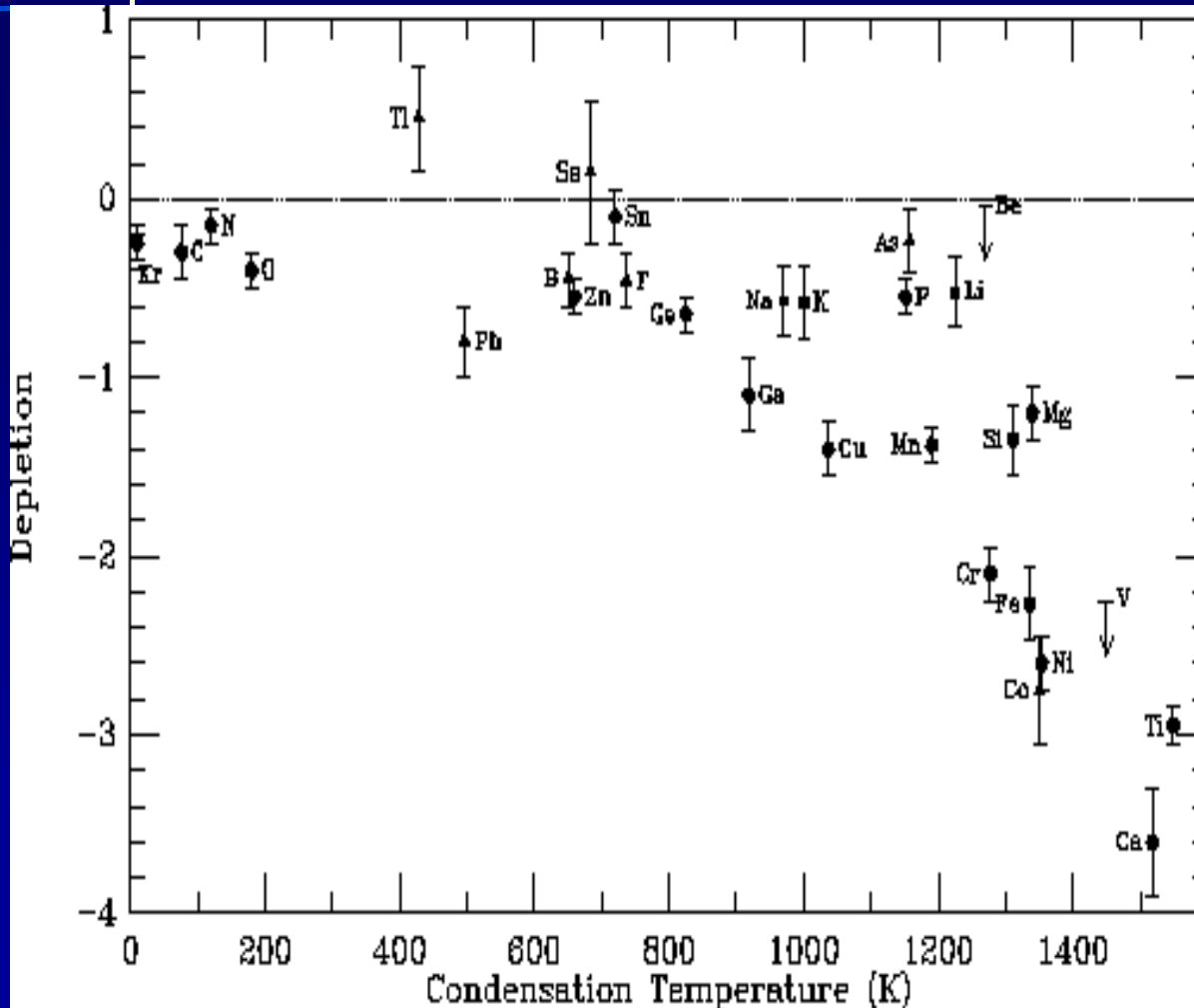
- Large grains
  - nonspherical and
  - aligned
- Small grains
  - spherical and/or
  - not aligned;

# Interstellar Polarization Features



- 9.7, 18  $\mu\text{m}$  silicate: **polariz.**
  - Becklin-Neugebauer object;
  - Aitken et al. (1989);
  - Greenberg & Li (1996);
- 3.4  $\mu\text{m}$  hydrocarbon:
  - **Unpolarized** (Adamson et al. 1999, Chiar et al. 2006);
- PAHs bands: **unpolariz.;**
- Far-IR emission: **polariz.;**
- Ice bands: **polarized;**
  - 3.1  $\mu\text{m}$  H<sub>2</sub>O;
  - 4.67  $\mu\text{m}$  CO;
  - 4.62  $\mu\text{m}$  XCN<sup>-</sup>;

# Elemental Depletions



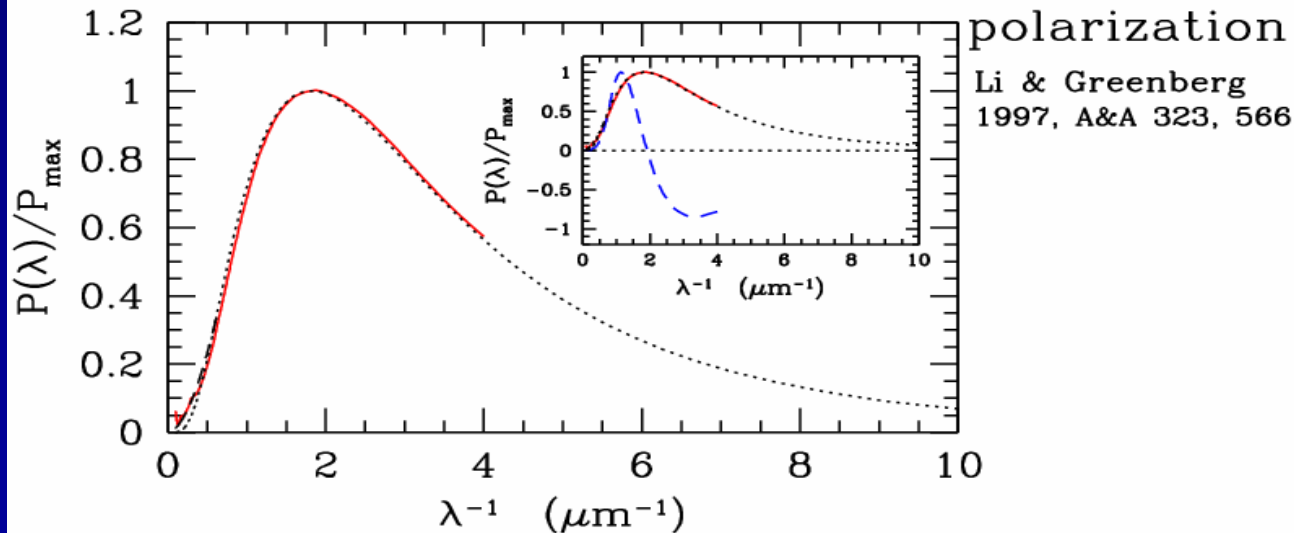
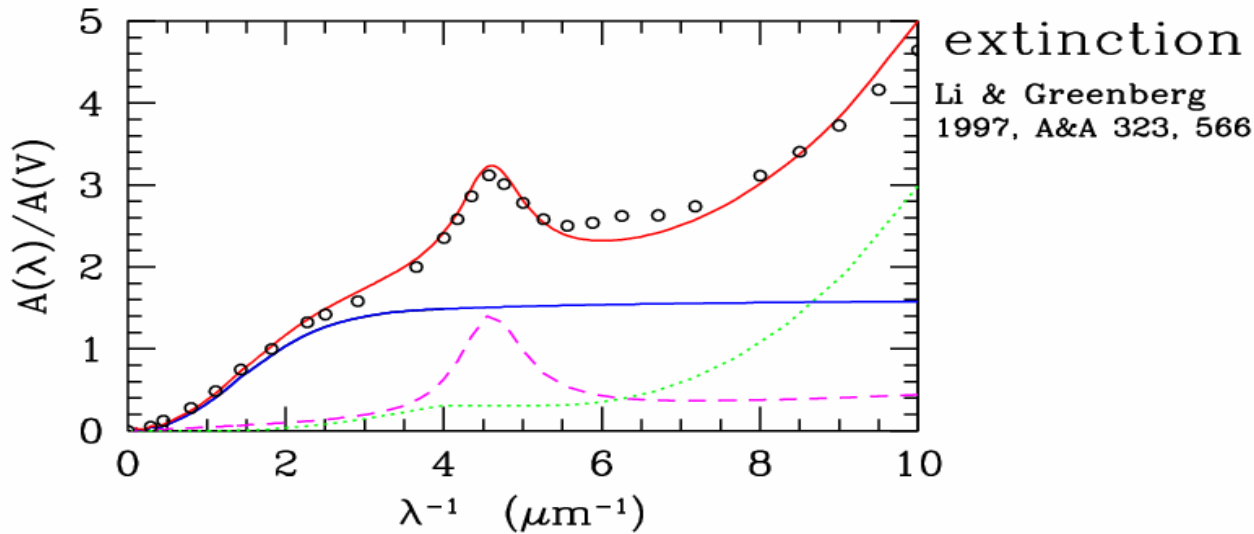
- $[X/H]_{\text{gas}} < [X/H]_{\odot}$ ;
- $\geq 90\%$  of Si, Mg, Fe and  $\geq 60\%$  of C, O are locked up in dust;
- Dust composition: Silicate, carbon

# Part III:

## (1) Interstellar Dust Models

- Observational constraints
  - wavelength dependent **extinction**;
  - wavelength dependent **polarization**;
  - **absorption and emission** spectra;
  - **cosmic abundance** (depletion);
- 3 key models
  - **core-mantle** model;
  - **composite** dust model;
  - **silicate-graphite-PAH** model;

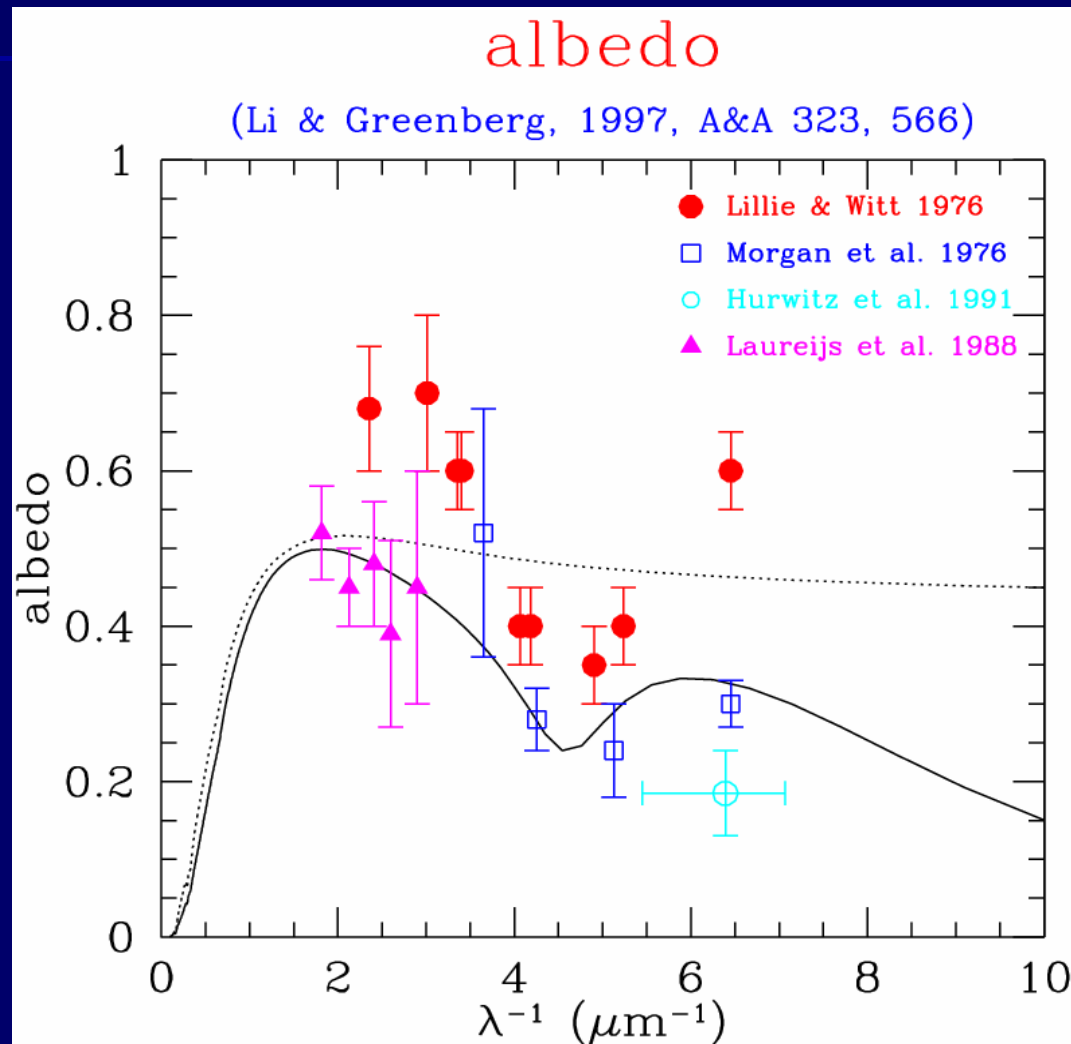
# Core-Mantle Model



- Li & Greenberg (1997)
  - silicate core;
  - carbon mantle;
  - PAHs + small graphitic grains;
- dust destruction  
 $\tau_{\text{des}} \approx 1-5 \cdot 10^8 \text{ yrs};$
- dust injection  
 $\tau_{\text{pro}} \approx 2.5 \cdot 10^9 \text{ yrs};$
- mantle (accretion; protection);

# Core-Mantle Model

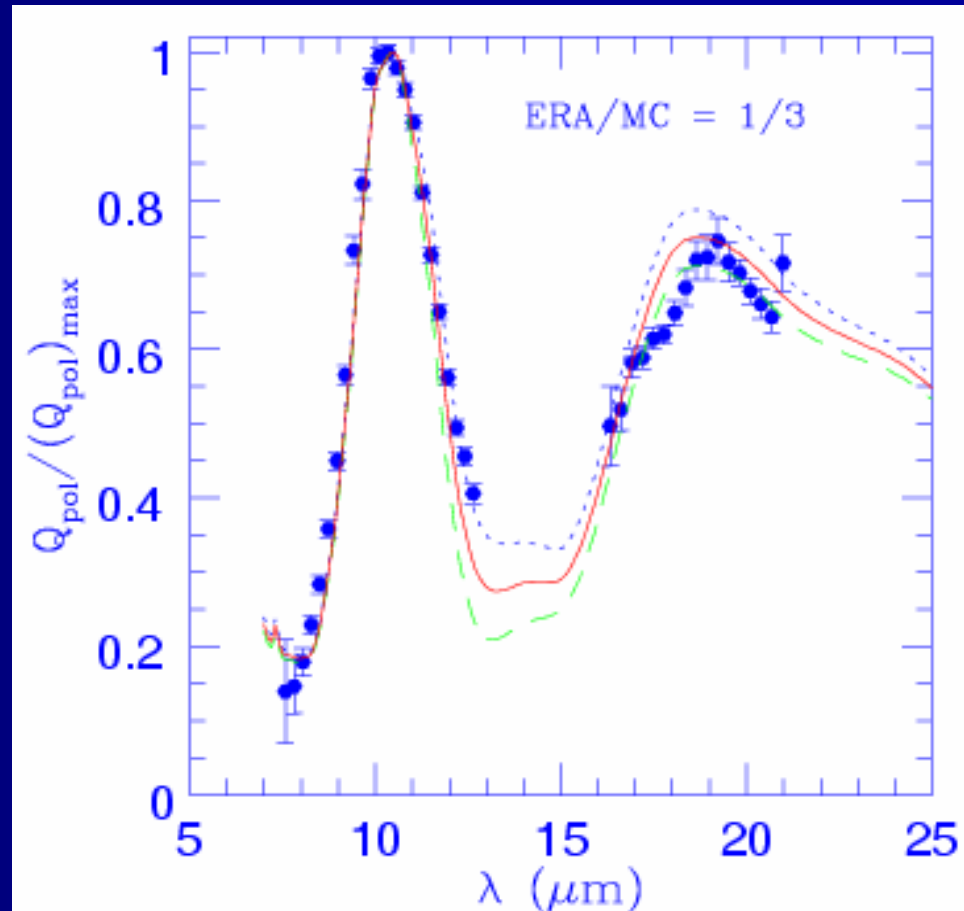
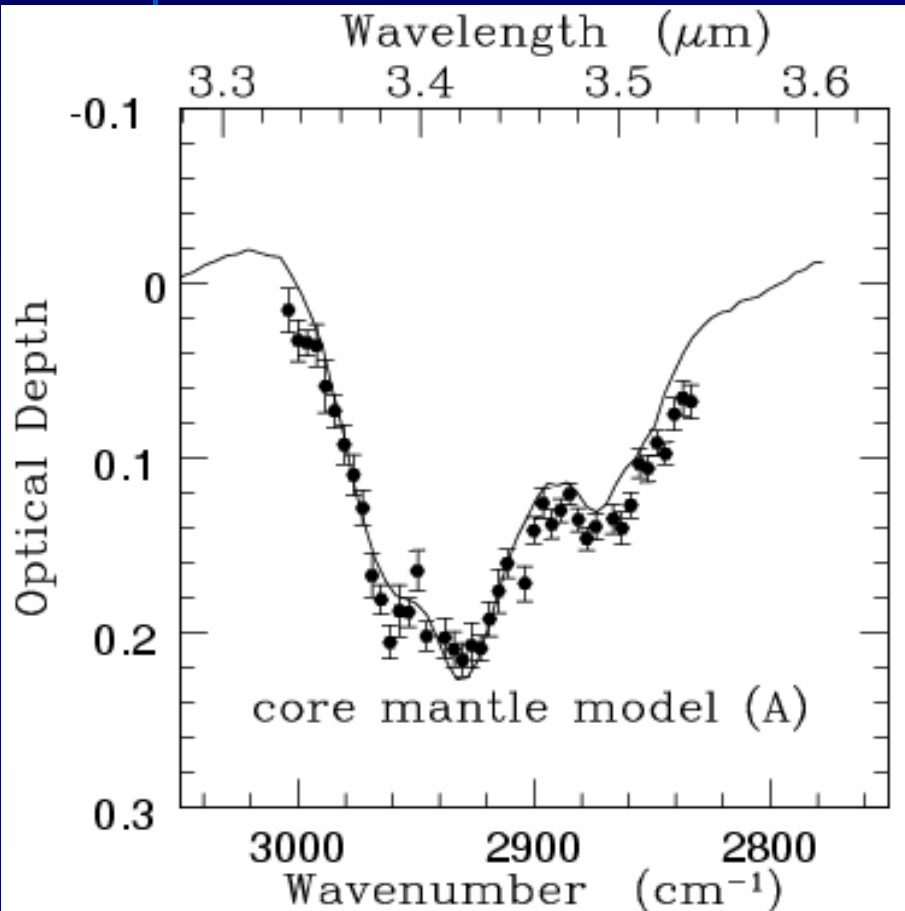
## albedo (Li & Greenberg 1997)



# Core-Mantle Model

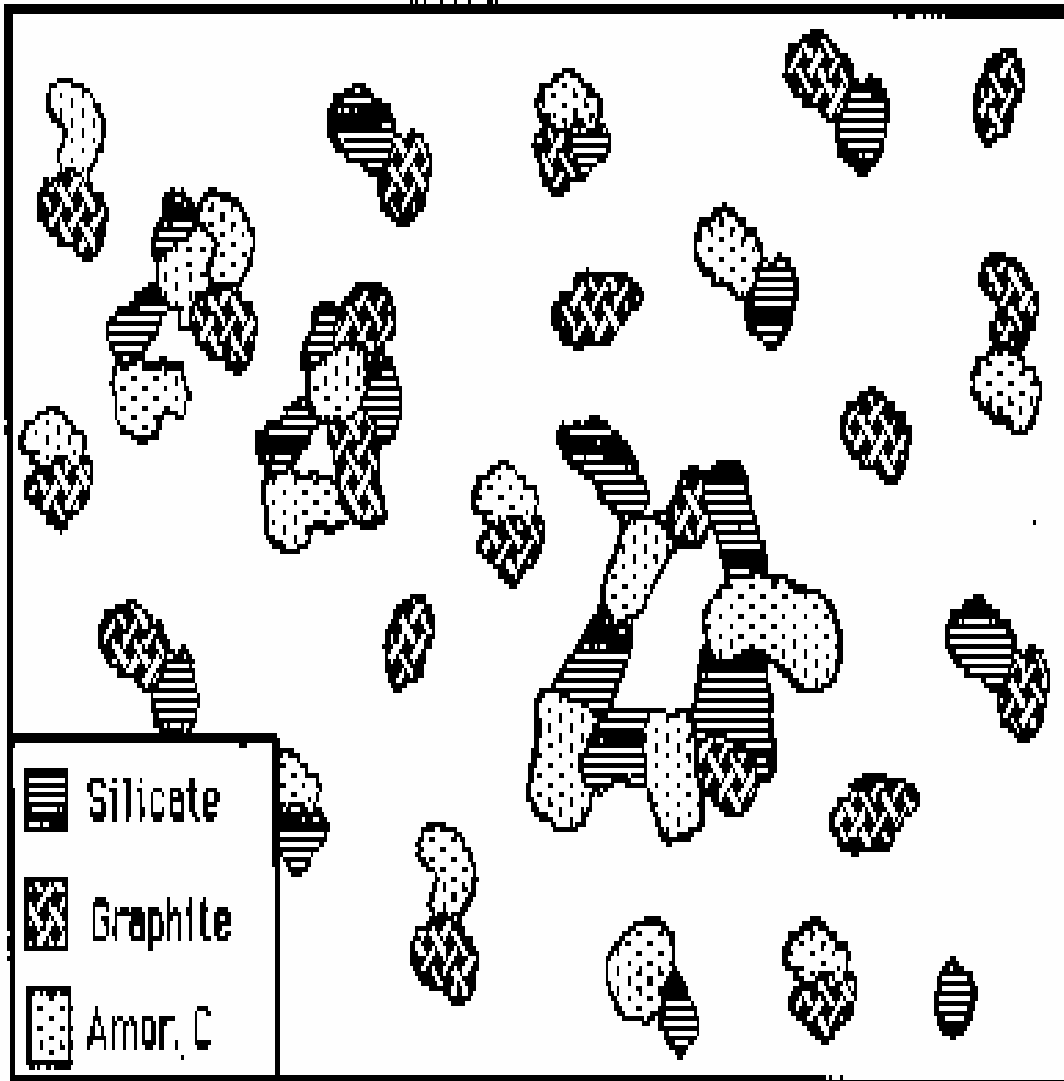
3.4 $\mu\text{m}$  C-H carbon  
(Greenberg, Li, et al. 1995)

■ 9.7, 18 $\mu\text{m}$  silicate polarizat.  
(Greenberg & Li 1996)



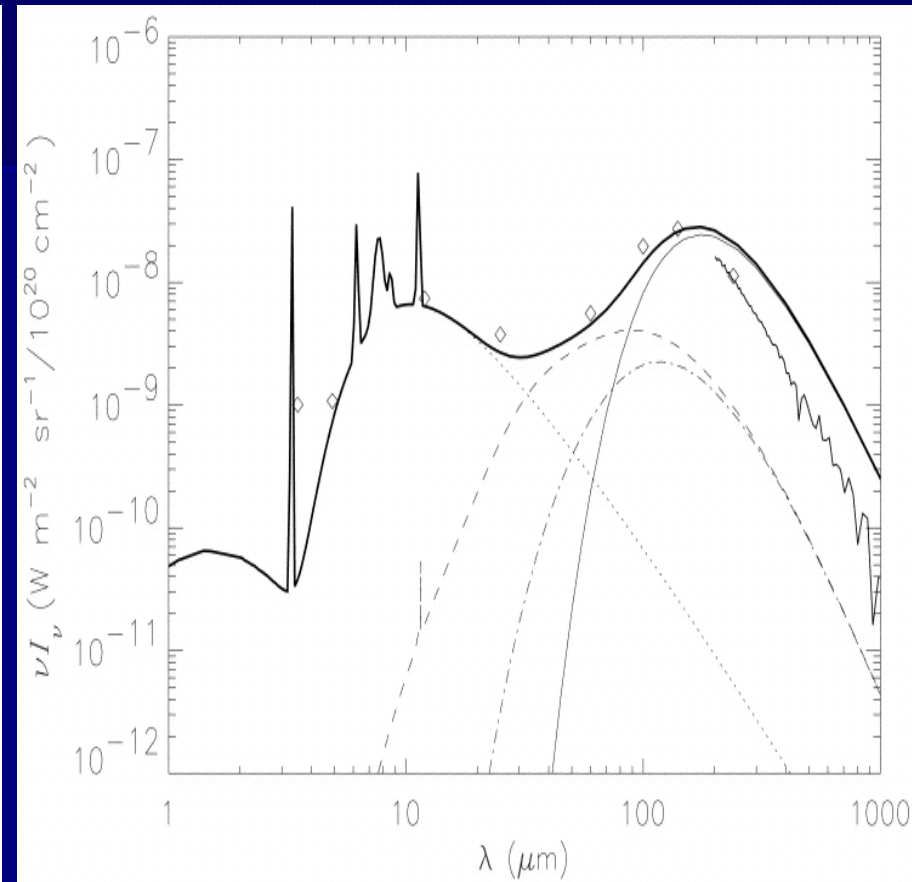
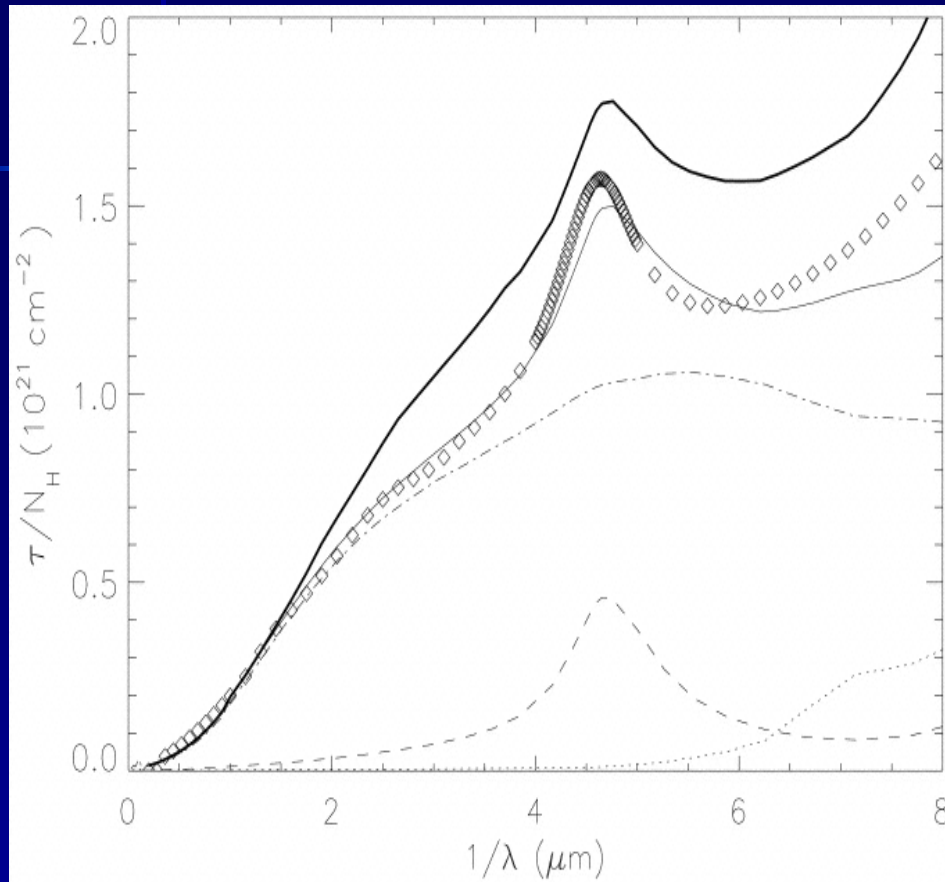


# Composite Dust Model (Mathis & Whiffen 1989, Mathis 1996)



- composite collections of
  - small silicates;
  - small graphite, amorphous carbon, HAC;
  - Vacuum (45%);

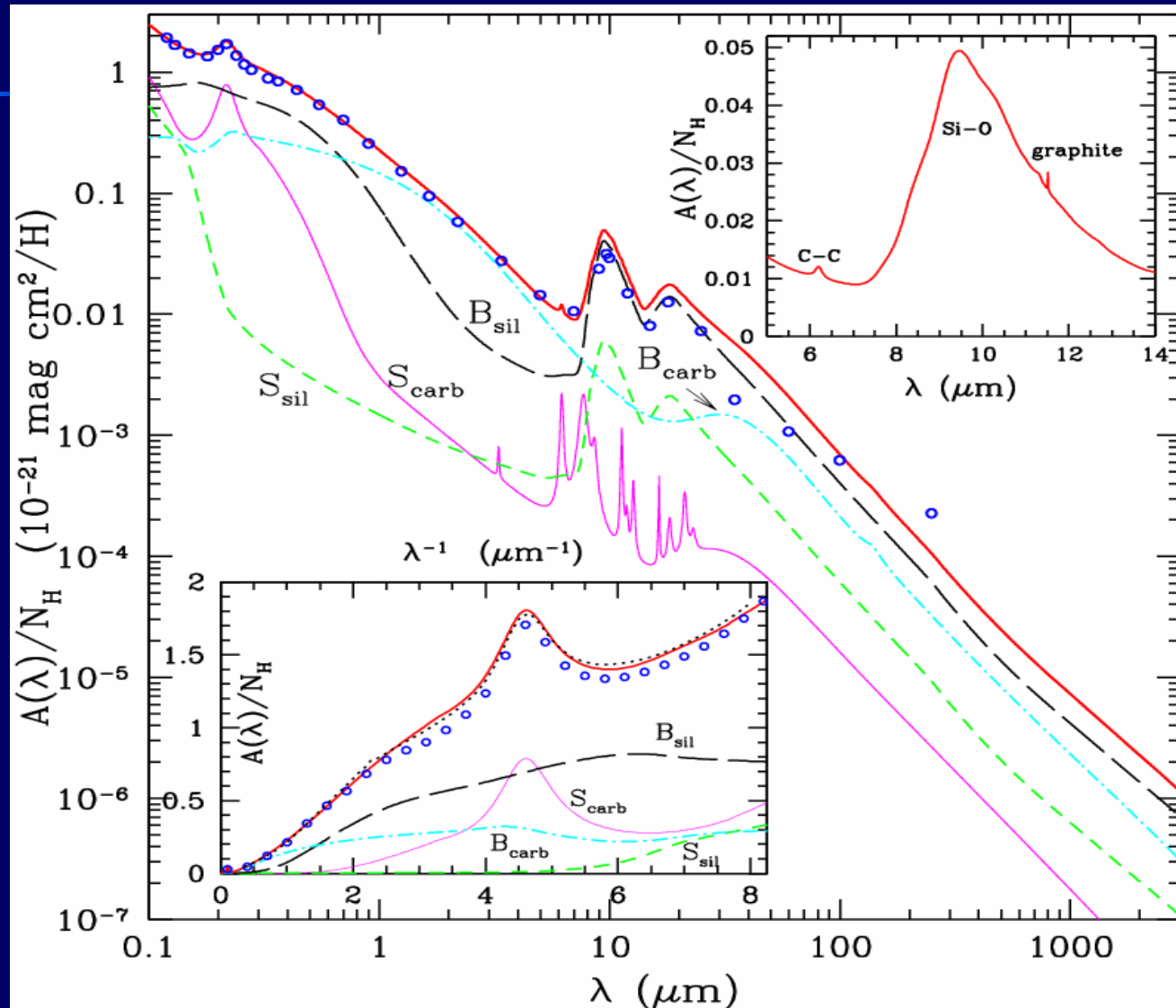
# Composite Dust Model



- with PAHs included (to explain PAH emission features)  
→ too much far-UV extinction;
- emit too much at  $\lambda > 100 \mu\text{m}$  (Dwek 1997);

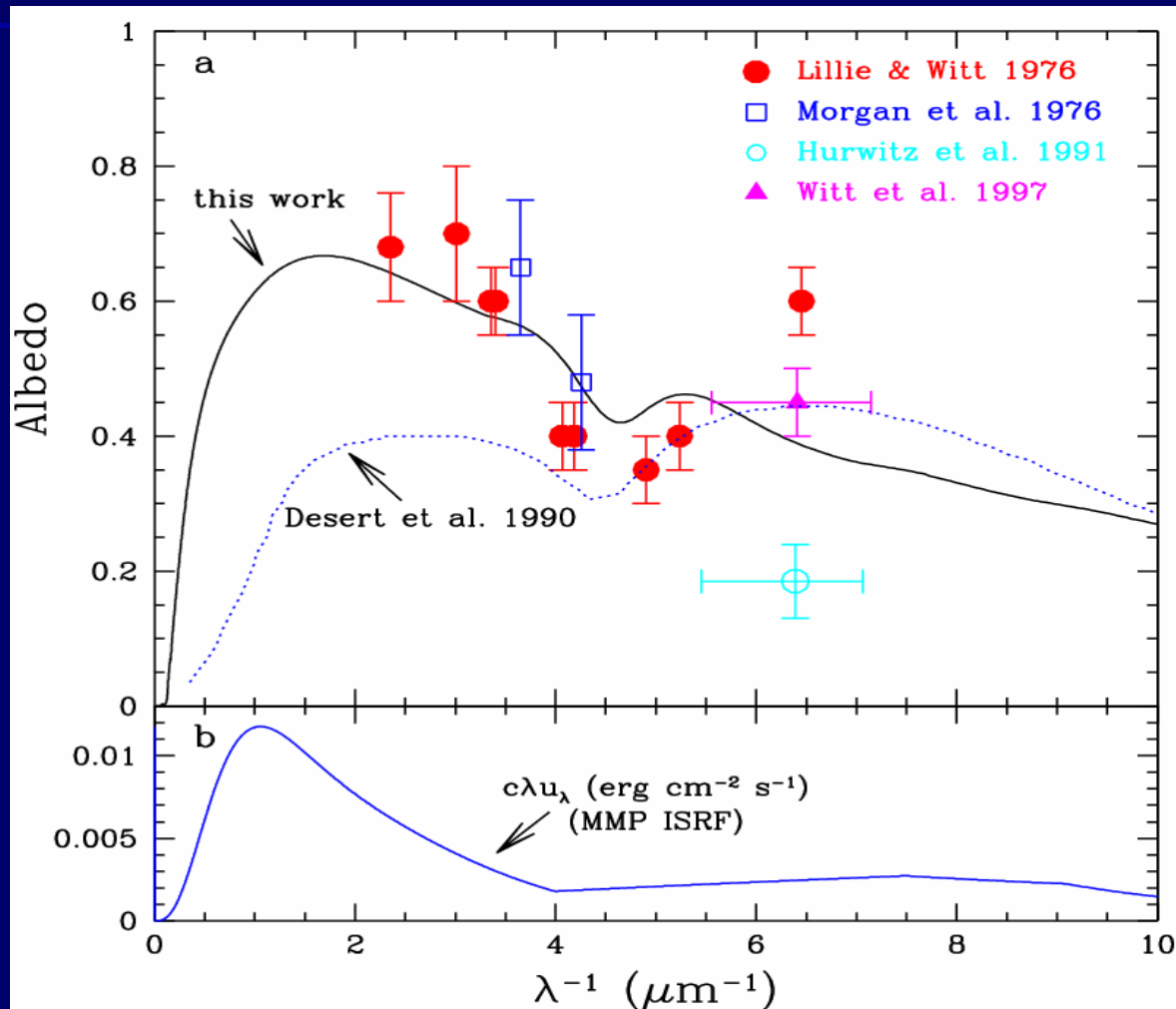
# Silicate-Graphite-PAH Model

(Li & Draine 2001b, Weingartner & Draine 2001)



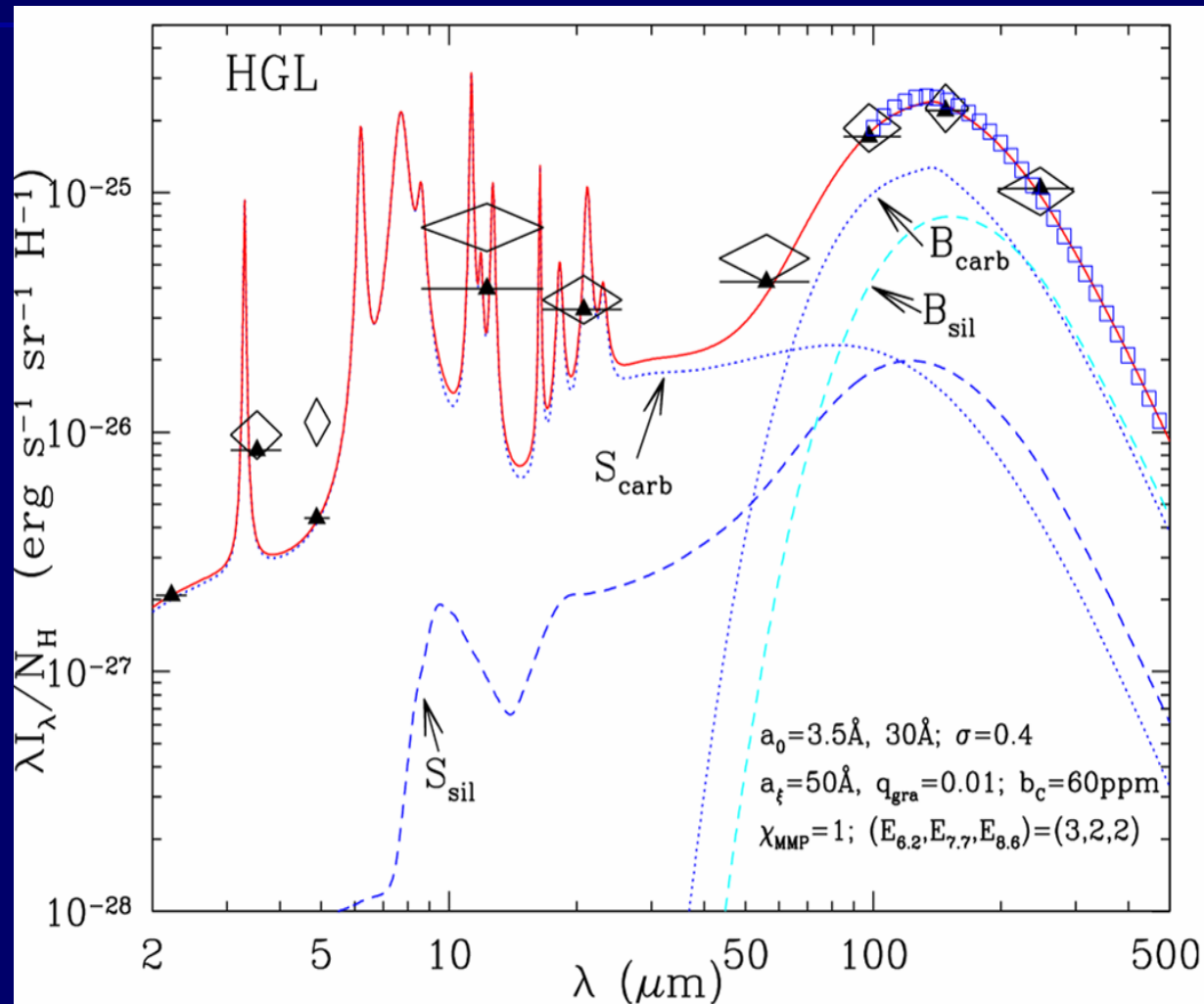
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## albedo (Li & Draine 2001b)



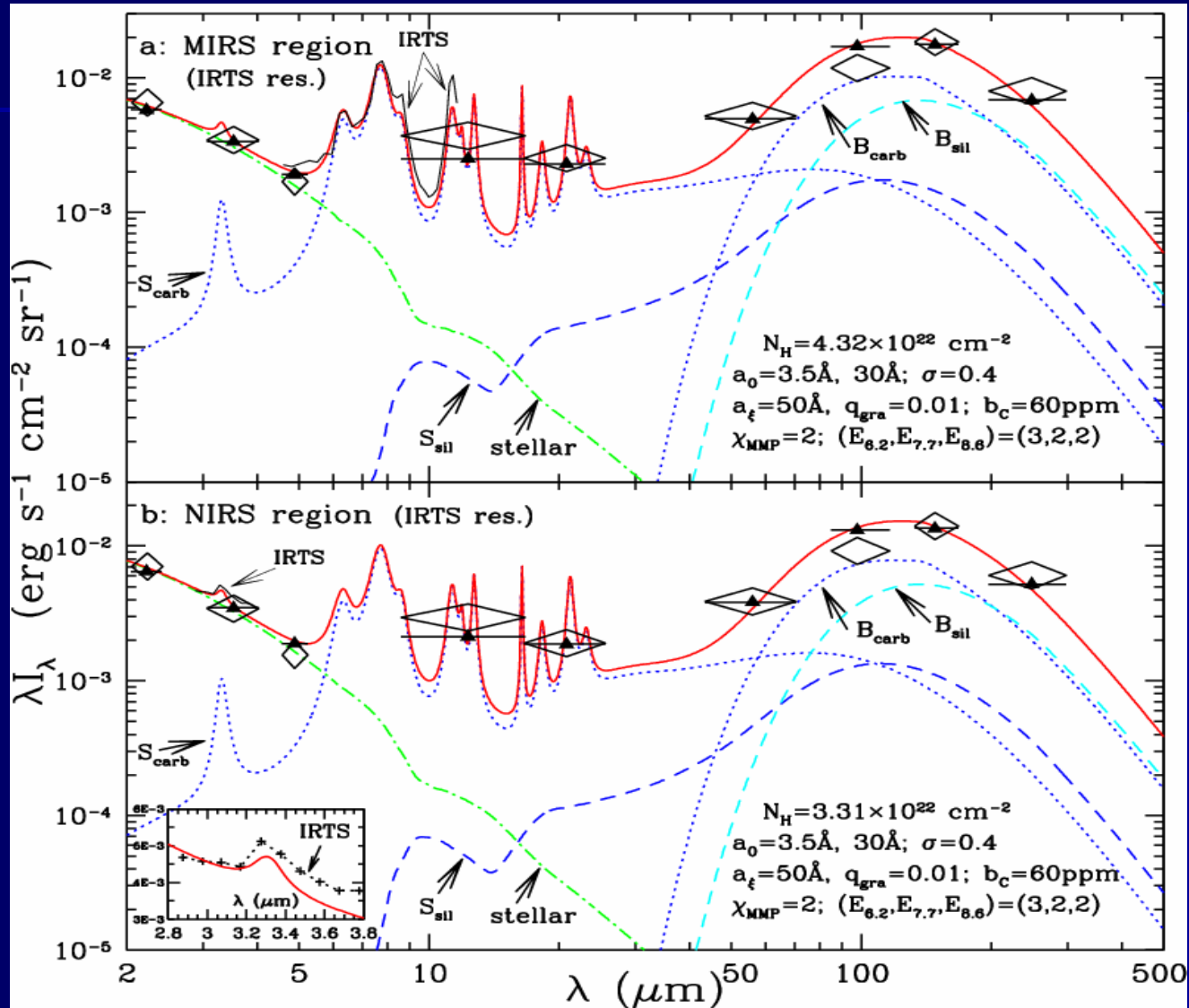
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## High Galactic Latitude region (Li & Draine 2001b)



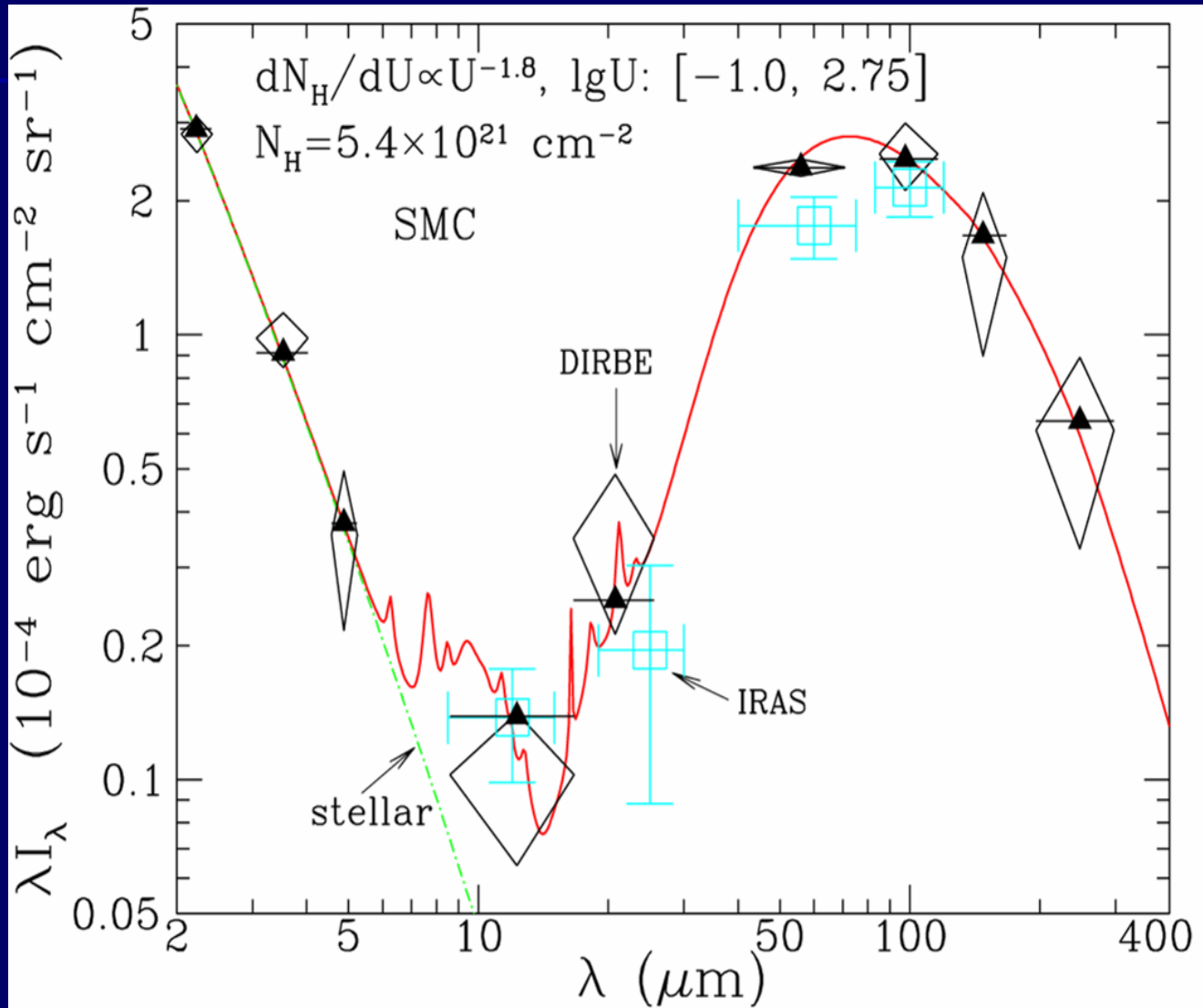
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## 2 Galactic plane regions (Li & Draine 2001b)

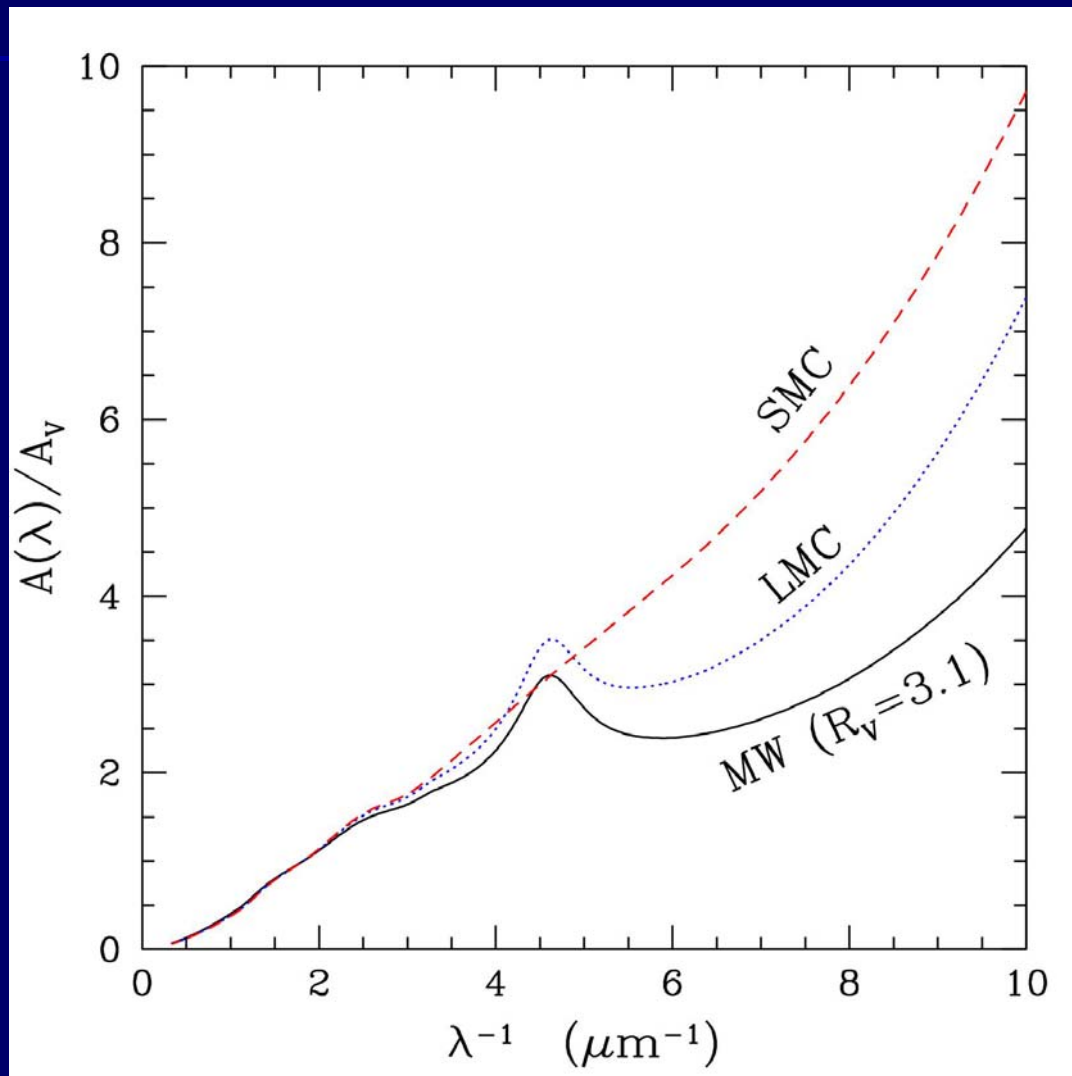


# Silicate-Graphite-PAH Model

## SMC Bar (Li & Draine 2002c)



# Interstellar Extinction: SMC/LMC vs. MW

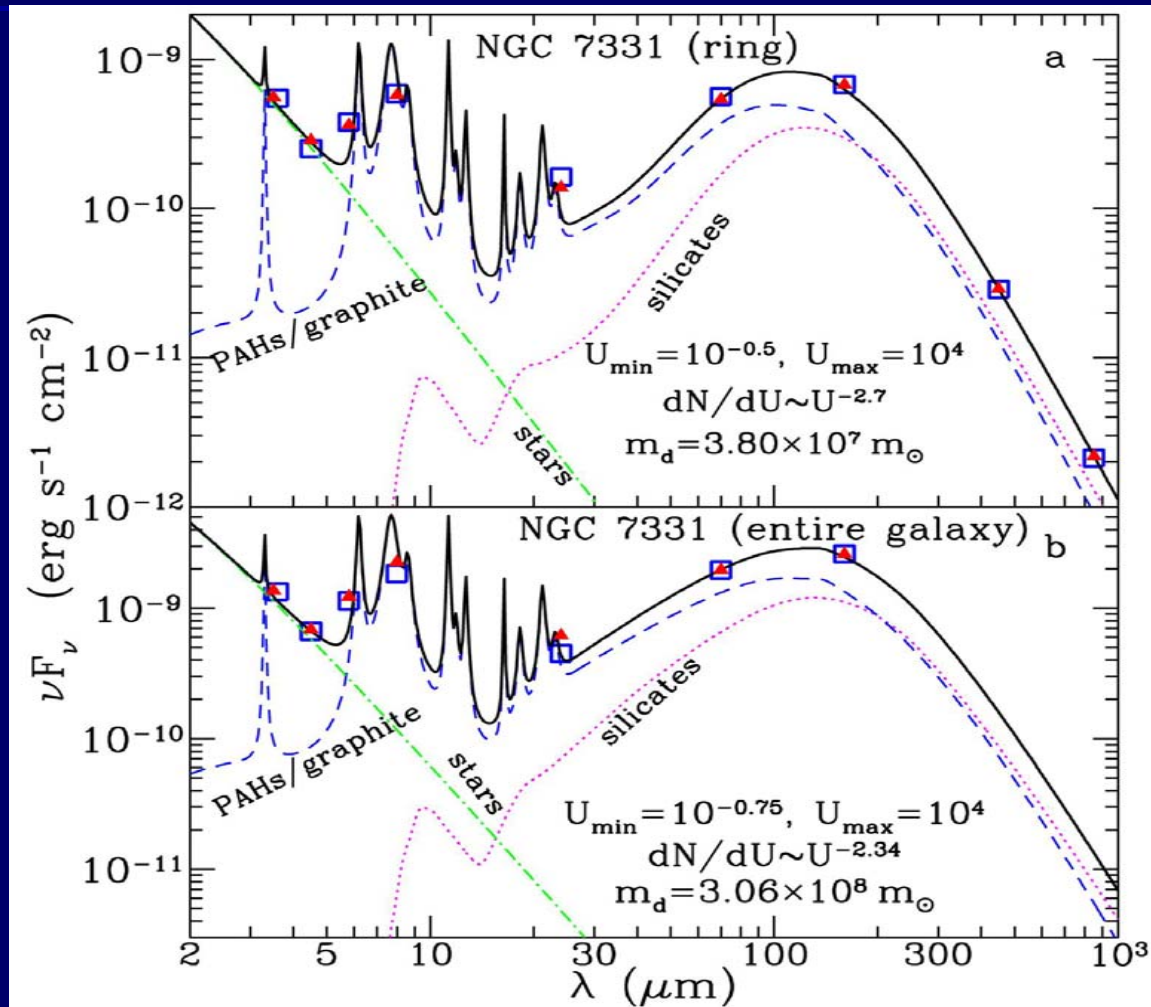




# Silicate-Graphite-PAH Model:

## NGC 7331

(Regan et al. 2004, ApJ, Spitzer Special issue)



# Silicate-Graphite-PAH Model:

## NGC 7331

(Smith et al. 2004, ApJ, Spitzer Special issue)

