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# 宇宙空間における過冷却融液凝固過程： 数値計算によるアプローチ

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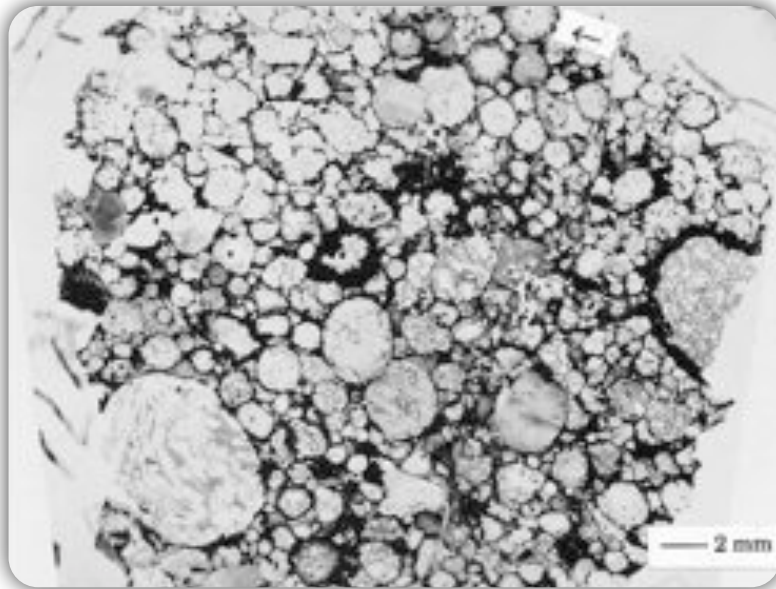
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# Introduction: Chondrules



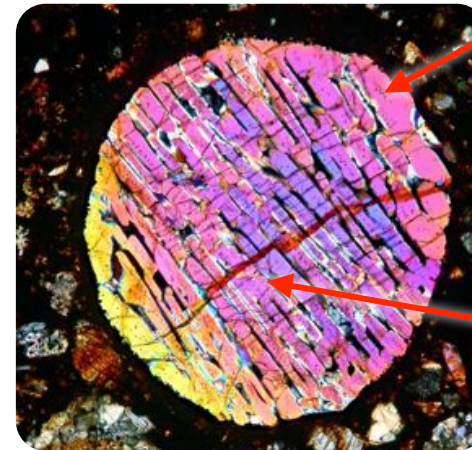
transmitted light image of thin section of Semarkona, LL3.0  
(Connolly & Love 1998, Science 280, 62)

**key stone of early solar nebula**

unique solidification texture:

**barred-olivine**

“olivine”  
 $(\text{Mg}_x\text{Fe}_{1-x})_2\text{SiO}_4$



**RIM**

shell of olivine crystal

**BAR**

elongated parallel crystals of olivine

(images from “<http://jm-derochette.be/>”)

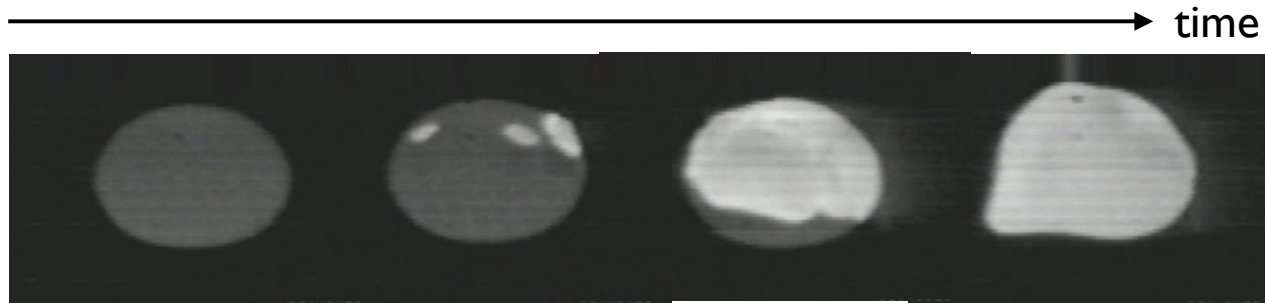
**rim & bars**

the same crystallographic orientation!

***A mm-sized “magma” droplet cools to solidify in a short period of time.  
The solidification texture reflects the crystal growth process.***

## Introduction:

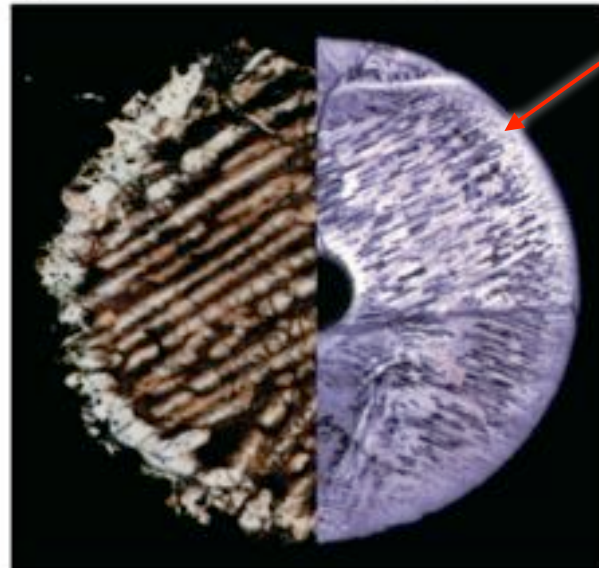
# Condition for rim formation?



- *levitation*
- *rapid cooling:*  
 $R_{\text{cool}} \sim 1000 \text{ K/s}$
- *supercooling*  $\sim 1000 \text{ K}$

Ultra-high speed TV images of a rotating crystallizing forsterite ( $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4$ ) melt. This crystallization process is completed within 0.1 s (Tsukamoto+1999, *Antarct. Meteorites* 24, 179).

(a) natural      ↓      (b) experiment



### First reproduction of **RIM!**

Only bars (dendrites) inside chondrule were reproduced in 1990. However, it had no rim (Lofgren & Lanier 1990, *Geochim. Cosmochim. Acta* 54, 3537).

### Question:

How large  $R_{\text{cool}}$  is required?

### Strategy:

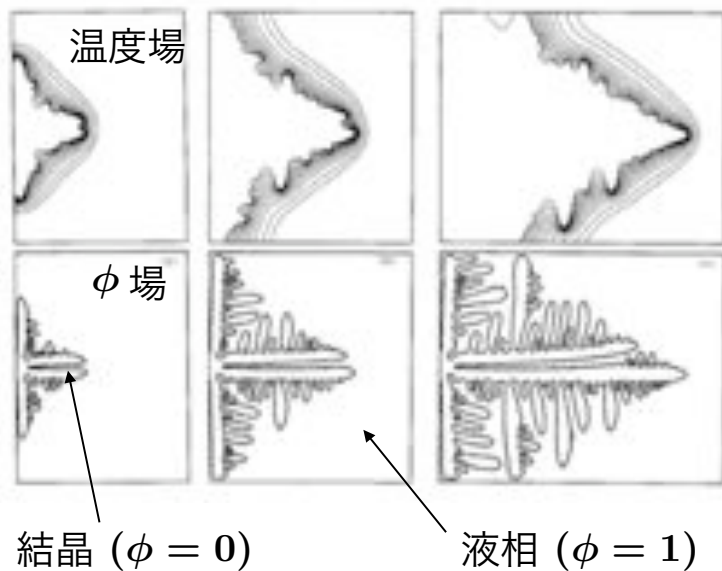
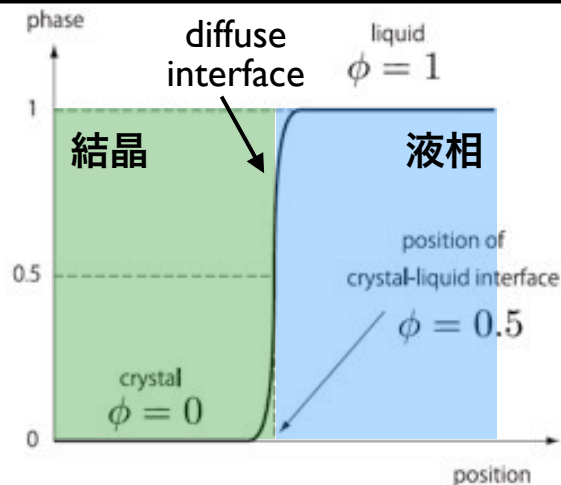
Phase-field simulations of crystallization of “**rapidly-cooling**” melt droplet

500  $\mu\text{m}$

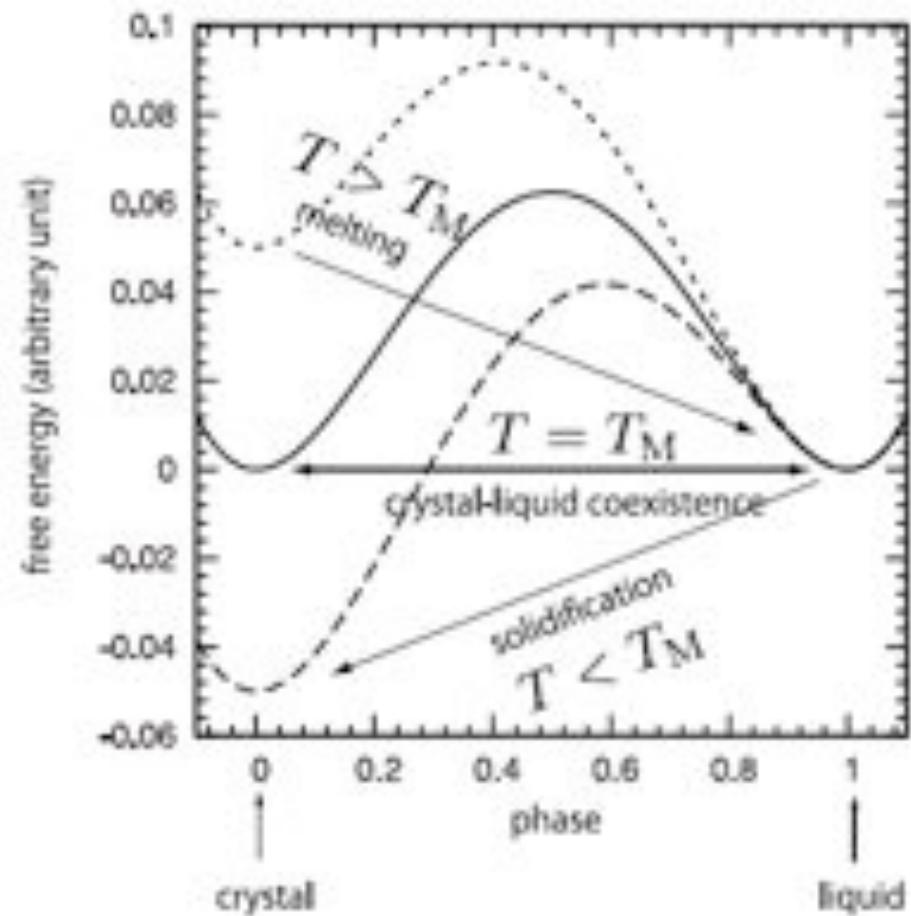
1 mm

# Method: Phase-field method

フェーズ  $\phi$  による相の区別



double-well potential



複雑な界面形状の時間発展を  
比較的容易に取り扱える (Sekerka 2007)

Method:

# Phase-field equations

“release of latent heat”
“surface cooling”

• **temperature, T:**  $\int_V \left[ c_0 \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + L_0 p'(\phi) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} \right] dv = \oint_S \kappa \nabla T \cdot \mathbf{n} ds - \oint_{\text{sur}} \mathbf{q}_s \cdot \mathbf{n} ds$

volumetric heat capacity
latent heat of crystallization per unit volume
thermal diffusivity

• **phase,  $\Phi$ :**  $\frac{\delta}{\mu} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \frac{\sqrt{2} T_M}{12 T} p'(\phi) (T - T_M) - \frac{T_M \Gamma}{4\delta} g'(\phi) + T_M \Gamma \delta \Delta \phi$

thickness of interface
melting point
capillary length ( $\sim$  nm)

(model I of Wang+1993, Physica D 69, 189, modified)

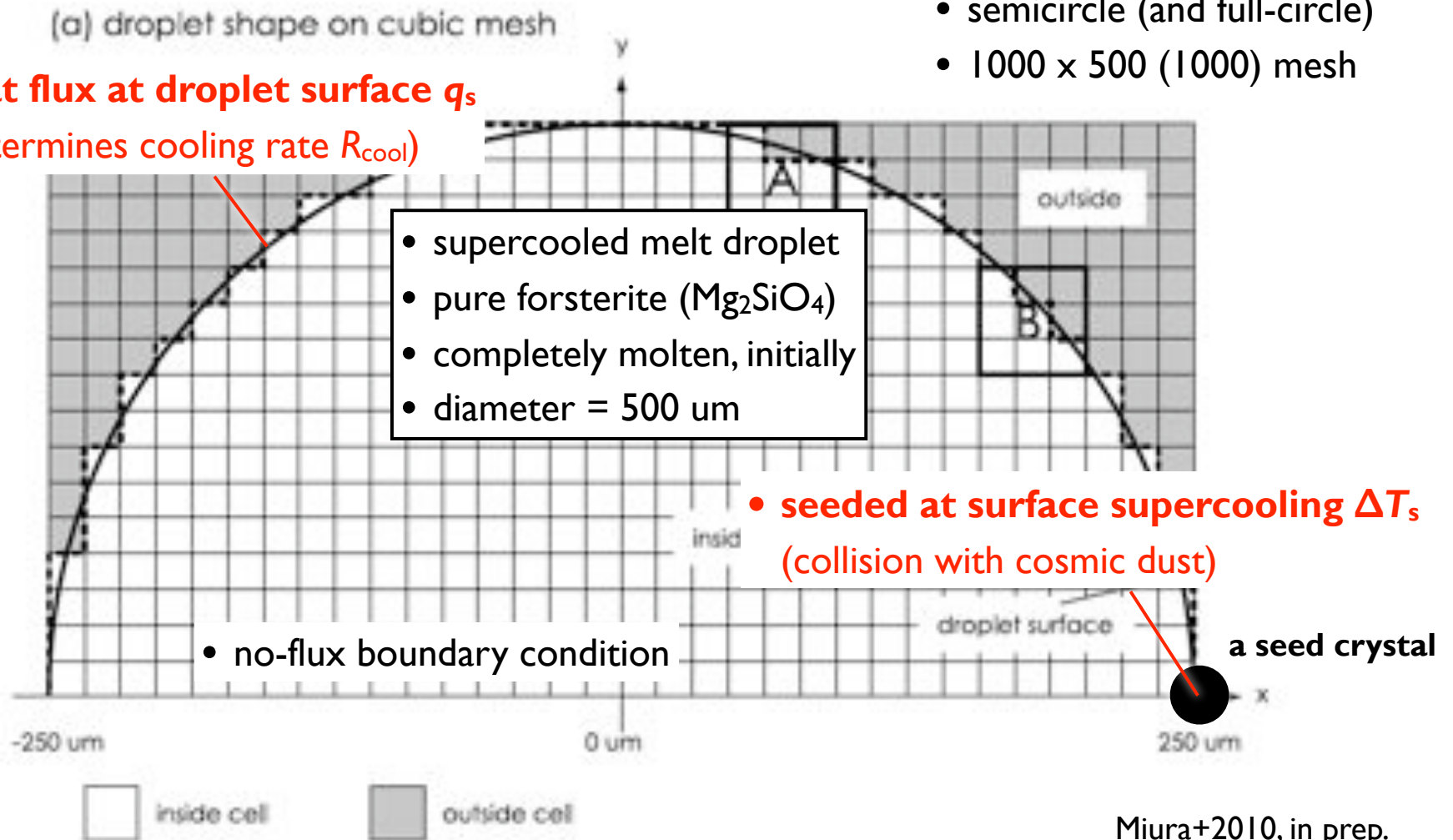
**“simulating dynamics of crystal growth in a pure material by solving two differential equations simultaneously”**

# Method:

## Computational settings

- 2D cubic cell
- semicircle (and full-circle)
- 1000 x 500 (1000) mesh

- **heat flux at droplet surface  $q_s$**   
(determines cooling rate  $R_{cool}$ )





**Result:**

# Cooling rate $R_{cool}$ required rim formation

temperature profile of droplet:

$$T(r) = T(0) - \frac{c_0 R_{cool} r^2}{4\kappa}$$

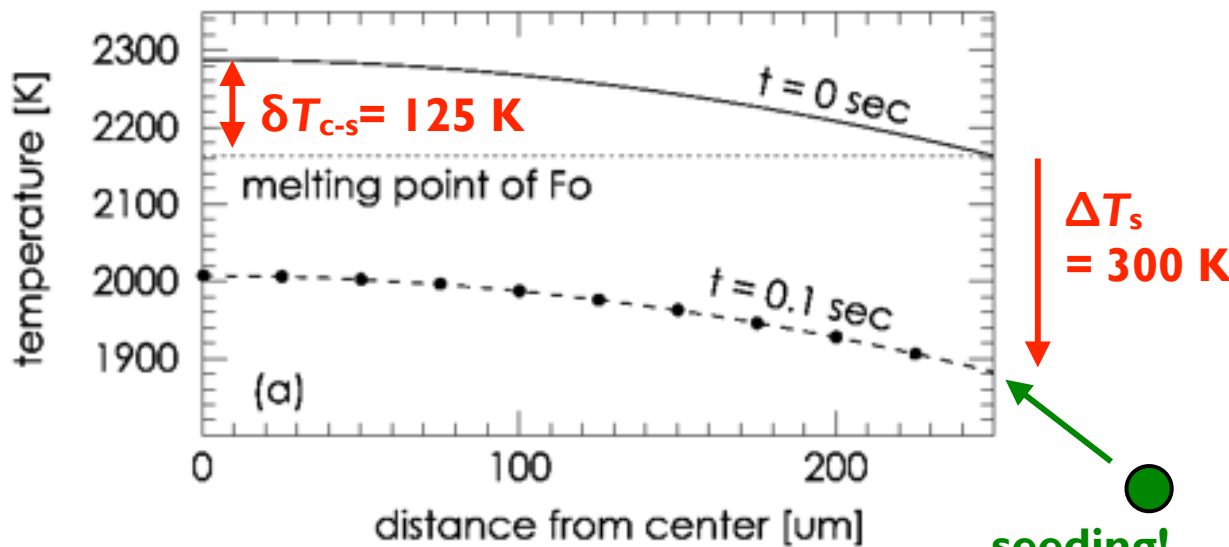
temp. at radius  $r$       temp. at center      volumetric heat capacity  $c_0$       thermal conductivity  $\kappa$

We assume that  $q_s (R_{cool})$  is constant.

Temperature at the droplet surface is lower than that at the center (temperature difference  $\delta T_{c-s}$ ).

When  $R_{cool} = 2800$  K/s,

$$\delta T_{c-s} = 125 \text{ K.}$$



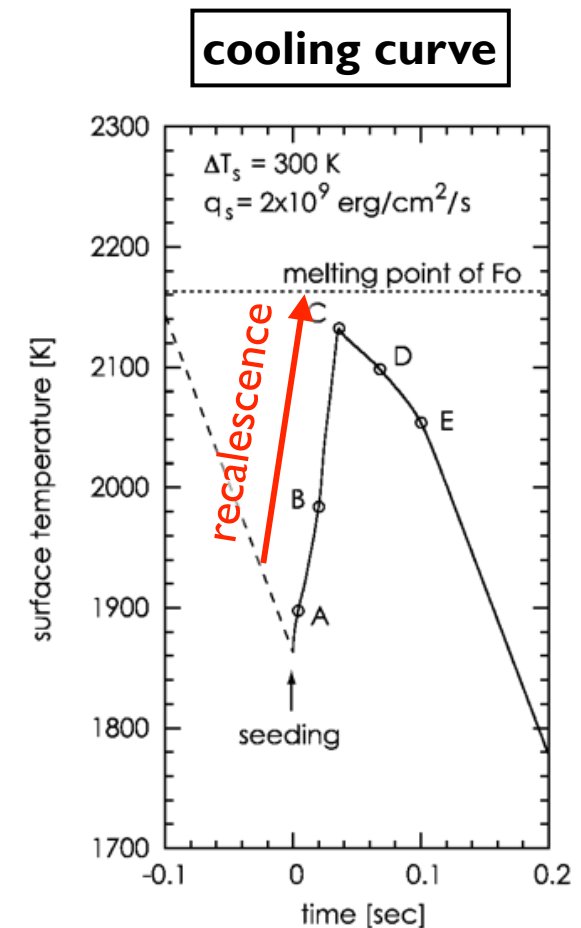
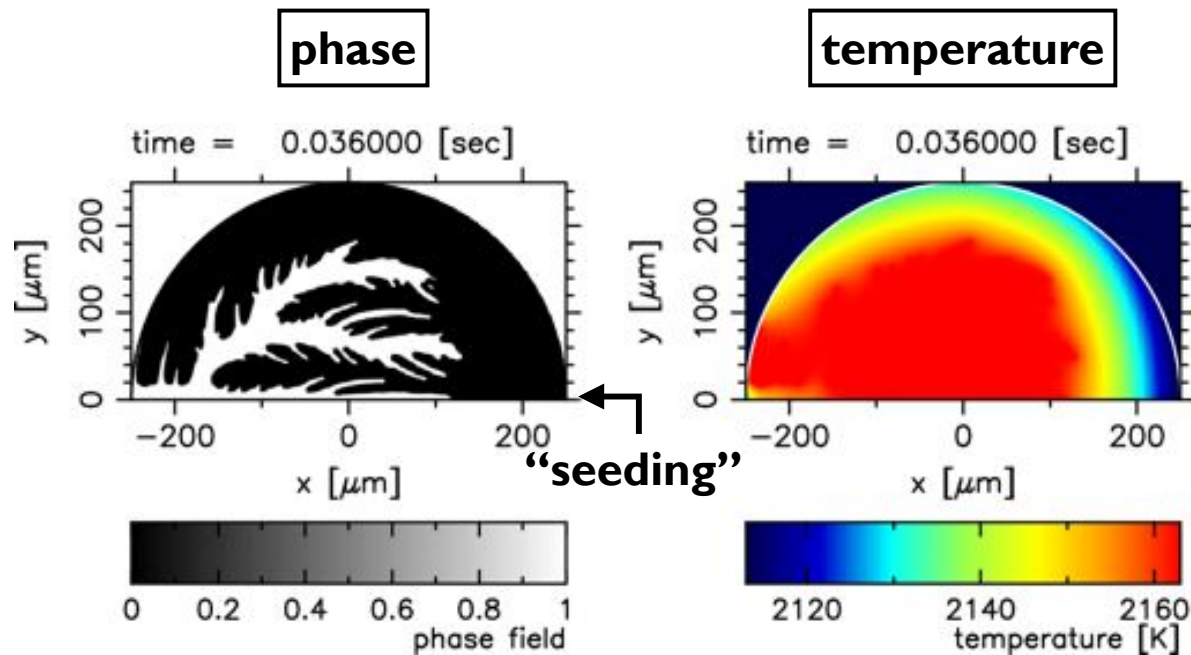
(Miura+2010, submitted)

When the surface undercools by **300 K** below the melting point, we put a seed crystal at the surface to initiate crystallization.

Supercooling at the center:  
= **175 K**

Result:

# Crystallization pattern ( $R_{cool} = 2800 \text{ K s}^{-1}$ )



- recalcescence (rapid temperature increase)
- rapid crystallization (within  $\sim 0.1 \text{ sec}$ )
- rapid growth along the surface (*rim formation*)
- **dendrite formation** inside the droplet

Miura+2010, submitted

**double structure: rim (along the surface) + dendrite (inside the droplet)**



**Result:**

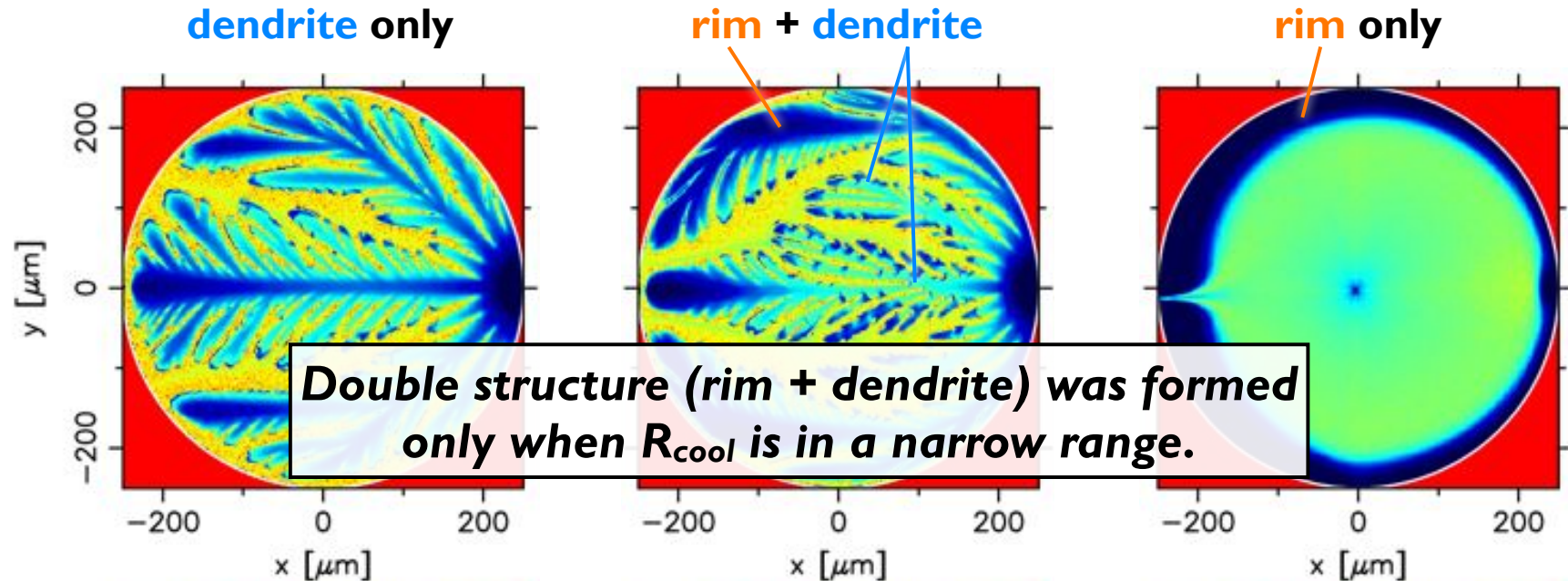
## ***Effect of surface cooling***

Cooling rate  $R_{\text{cool}}$  [K/s] (heat flux at surface  $q_s$  [erg/cm<sup>2</sup>/s])

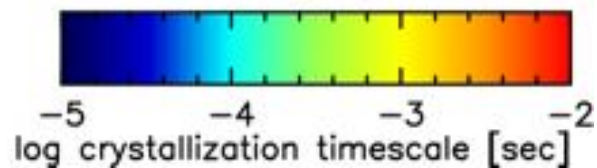
1400 ( $1.0 \times 10^9$ )

2800 ( $2.0 \times 10^9$ )

14000 ( $1.0 \times 10^{10}$ )



**Double structure (rim + dendrite) was formed only when  $R_{\text{cool}}$  is in a narrow range.**

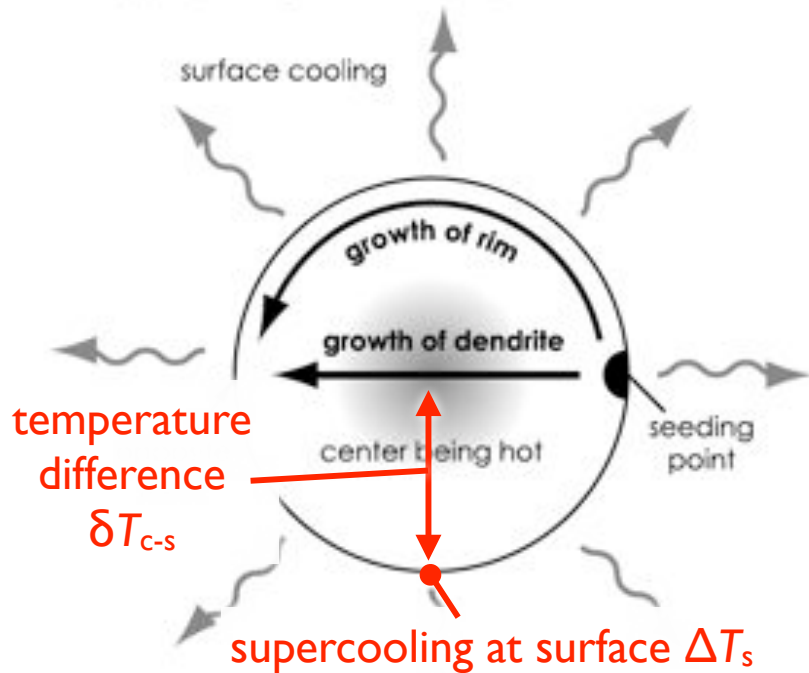


**Crystallization timescale,  $t_{\text{crys}}$ , reflects crystal growth velocity  $V$ . In phase-field model, crystal-liquid interface is diffuse, so it has finite width  $\delta$ .**

$$t_{\text{crys}} = \delta / V$$

**Discussion:**

# Growth time, rim/dendrite



normalized temp. diff.  $\alpha = \delta T_{c-s} / \Delta T_s$

“dependence of growth velocity on undercooling”

$$V(\Delta T) \propto \Delta T^n$$

“temperature profile”

$$\Delta T(r) = \Delta T_s - \delta T_{c-s} + \delta T_{c-s} (r/r_d)^2$$

## Growth time $t_{\text{growth}}$ :

- rim grows fast, but goes the long way

$$t_{\text{rim}} = \frac{\pi r_d}{V(\Delta T_s)},$$

← droplet radius

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growth velocity

- dendrite grows slowly, but takes the shortest course

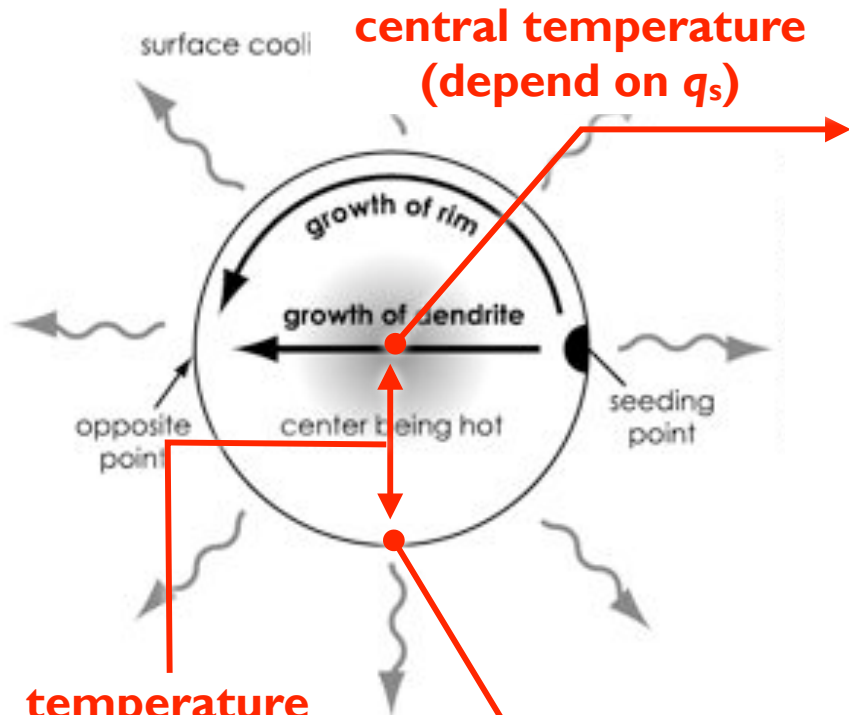
$$t_{\text{den}} = 2 \int_0^{r_d} \frac{dr}{V(\Delta T(r))} = \frac{2r_d}{V(\Delta T_s)} I(n, \alpha)$$

$$I(n, \alpha) \equiv \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{[\alpha(x^2 - 1) + 1]^n}$$

**$n = 2.5 - 3.5$**  from theories of dendrite growth  
(Langer & Muller-Krumbhaar 1978; Xu 1998)

Discussion:

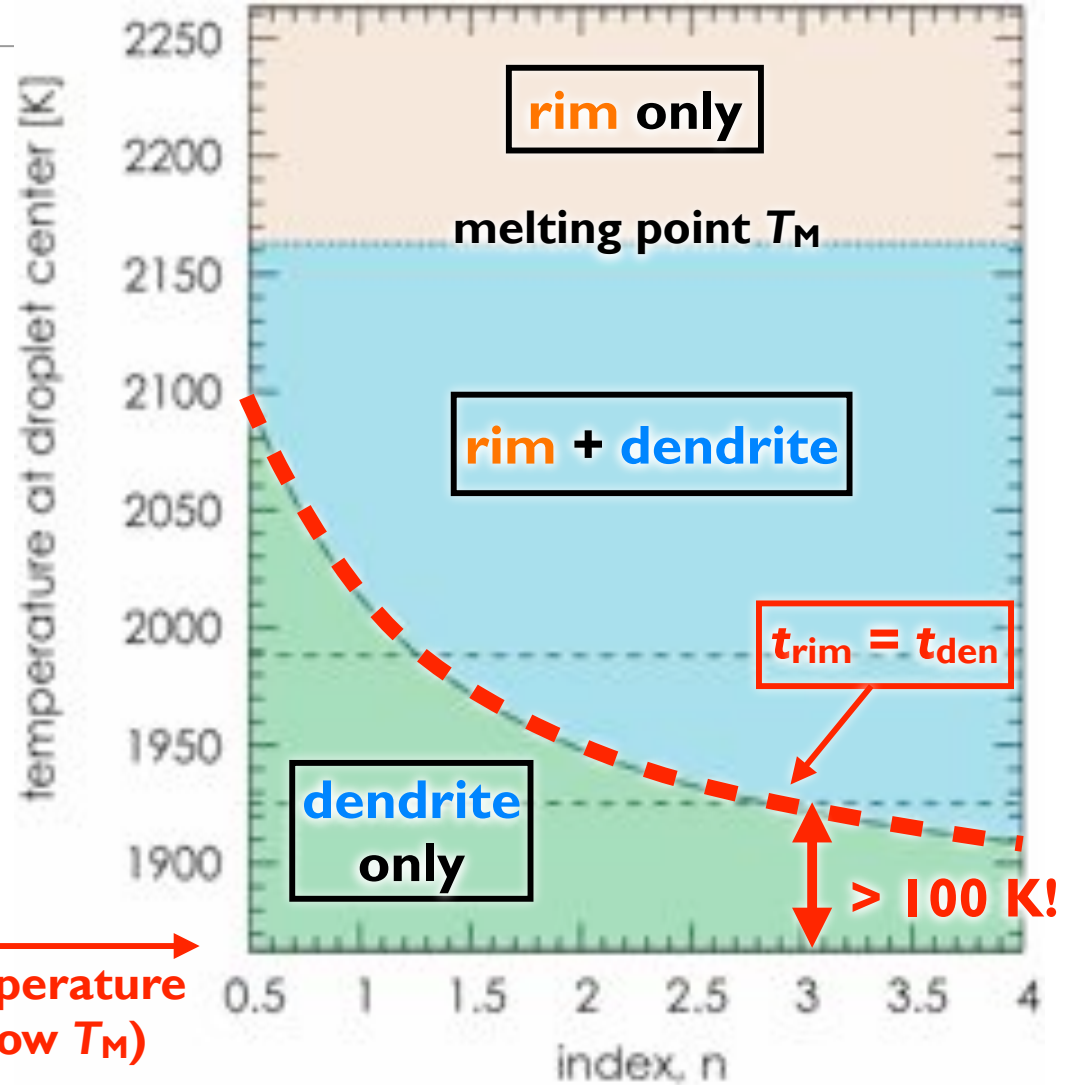
# Condition for rim formation



temperature difference

$$\delta T_{c-s} = \frac{c_0 R_{cool} r^2}{4\kappa}$$

surface temperature (300 K below  $T_M$ )



The rim was formed when  $R_{cool} > \sim 1300$  K/s for a forsterite melt droplet of 500  $\mu$ m in diameter.

# Conclusions

- We carried out phase-field simulation of crystallization from a highly-supercooled melt droplet.
- We first successfully reproduced double structure by numerical simulation, which is similar to barred olivine texture of chondrules.
- The rim was formed when the cooling rate of the droplet is  $\sim 10^3$  K/s or larger, which is expected by **radiative cooling**.
  - Astrophysical model predicts a wide range of the cooling rate from  $10^{-3}$  to  $10^3$  K/s!
- This is the first step to elucidate the formation mechanism of chondrule solidification texture.

