

# Current Problems in Dust Formation Theory

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# 1-1. Introduction

Cosmic dust universally exists in space

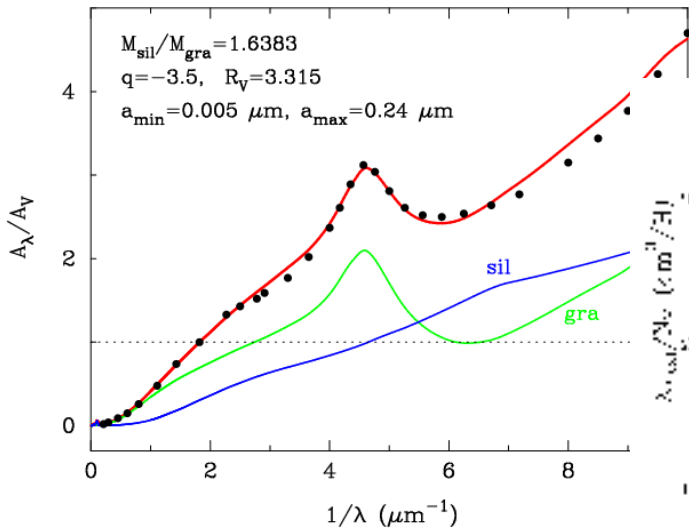


when, where, and how is dust formed?

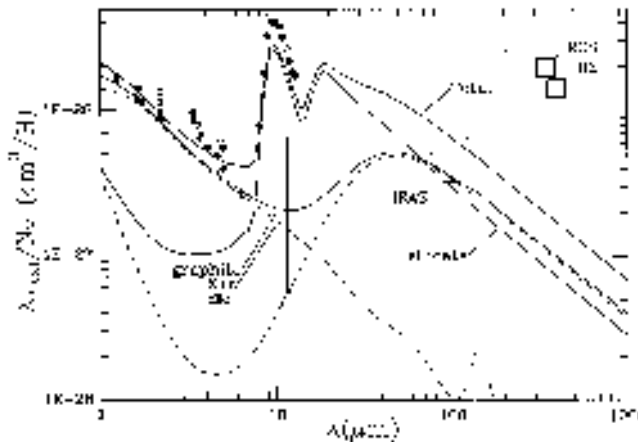
Properties of dust evolves through the processing in the ISM (sputtering, shattering, coagulation, growth ..)

composition, size, and amount of newly formed dust

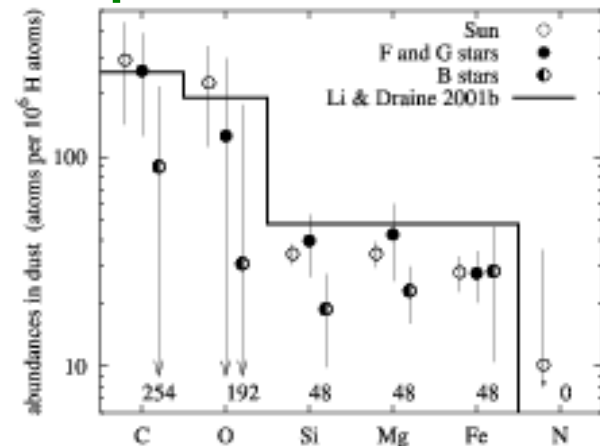
extinction curve



IR spectral feature



depletion of elements



# 1-2. Formation site of dust

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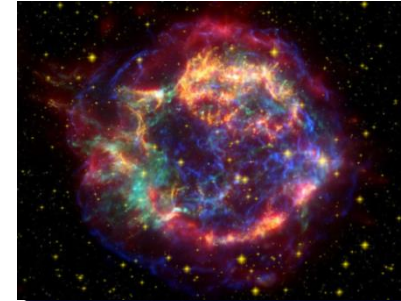
in cooling gas outflows

- abundant metal (metal : N > 5)
- low gas temperature ( $T < \sim 2000$  K)
- high gas density ( $n > \sim 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )

possible formation sites of dust

- expanding ejecta of supernovae
- mass-loss winds of AGB stars
- molecular clouds (grain growth only)

what kinds of, what size of, how much dust is formed



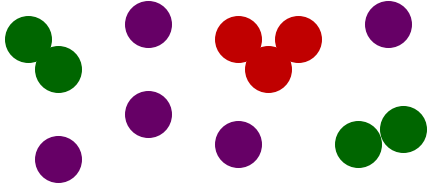
# 1-3. How do dust grains form?

**chemical approach**

**gaseous atoms**

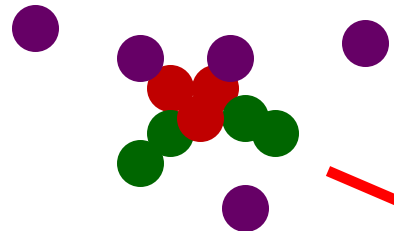
**nucleation approach**

**molecules**

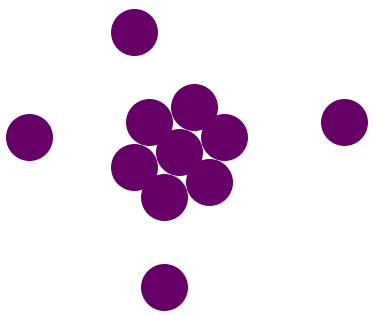


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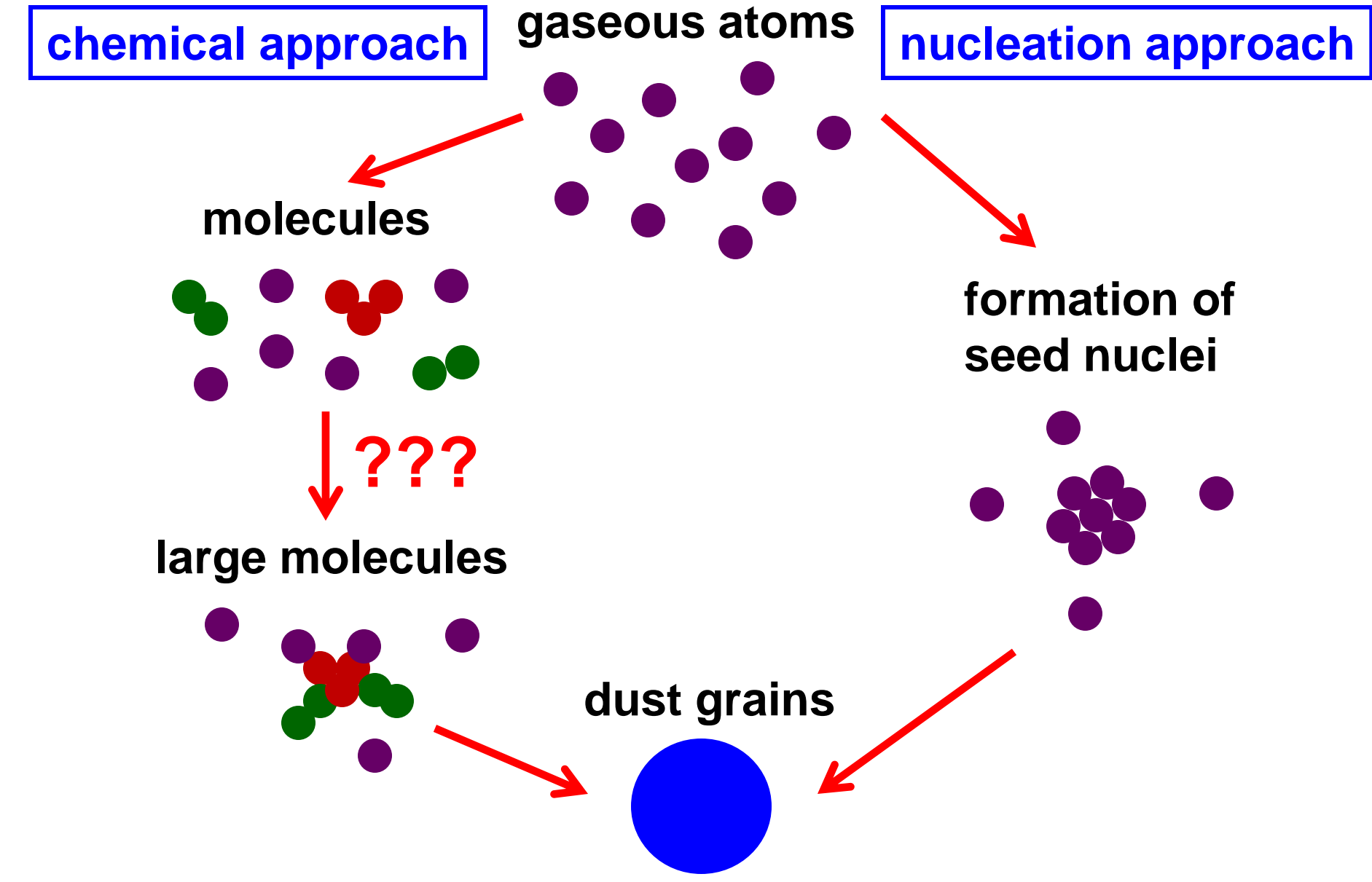
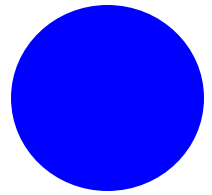
**large molecules**



**formation of seed nuclei**



**dust grains**



## 2-1. Supersaturation ratio

### ▪ supersaturation ratio, S

→ ratio of real partial pressure to equilibrium partial pressure

$$\ln S = \ln \frac{P_i}{P_{i,\text{eq}}} = -\frac{\Delta G^0}{kT} + \sum_i \nu_i \ln P_i$$

For condensation of dust,

$$S = P_1 / P_{e,1} > 1$$

$$\rightarrow \ln S = \ln(P_1 / P_{e,1}) > 0$$

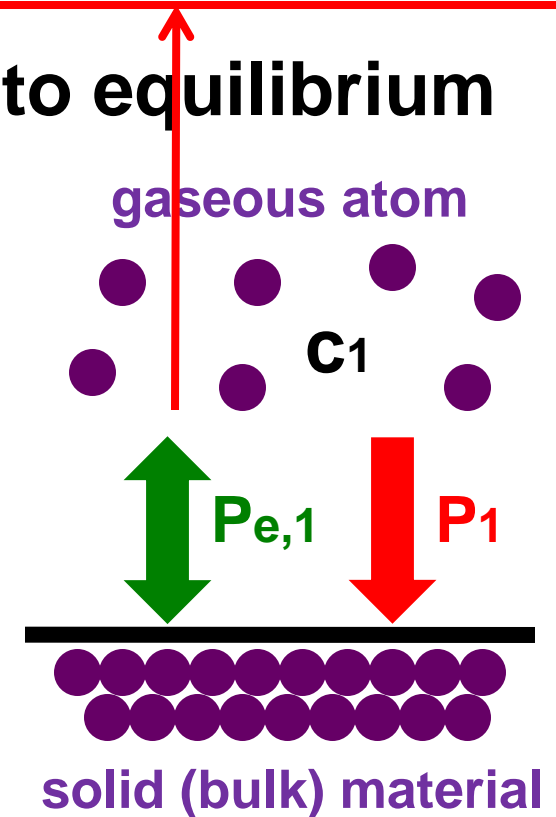
$$\ln S = A / T - B + \ln(c_1 kT / P_0)$$

where  $-\Delta G^0/kT = A/T - B$  ( $A=8.64 \times 10^4$ ,  $B=19$  for C grains)

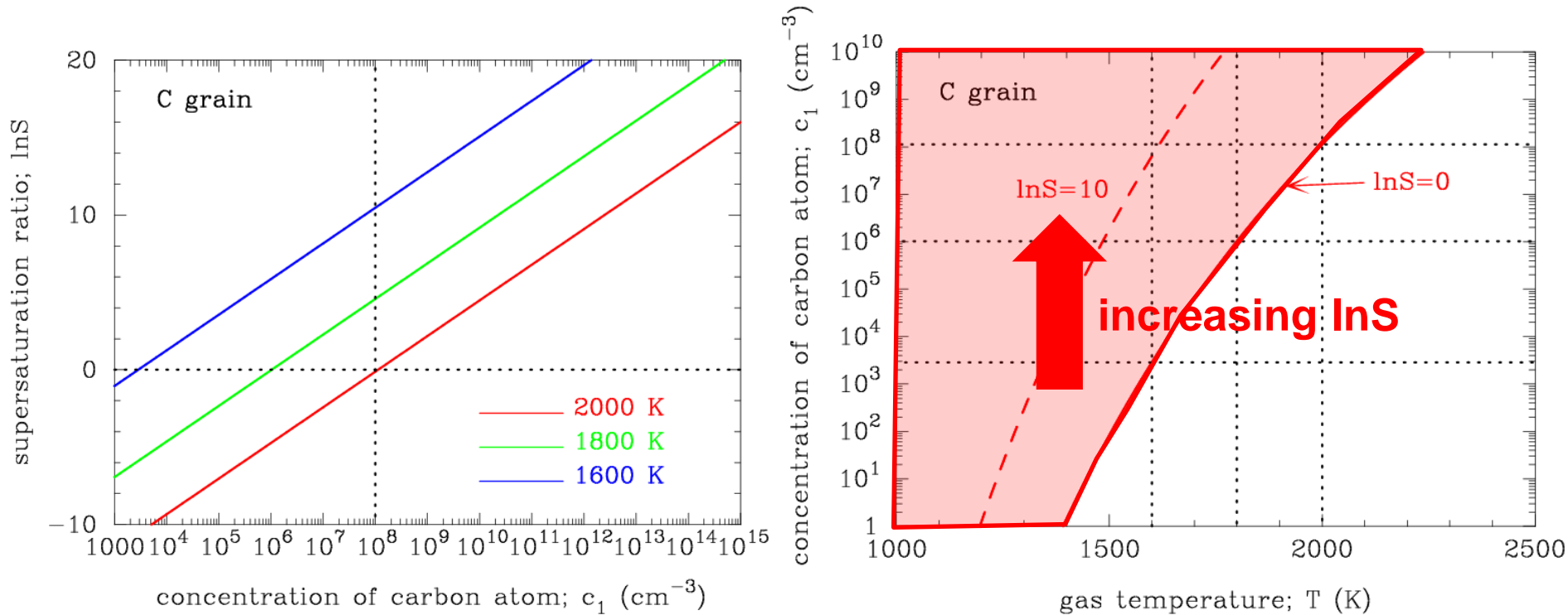
**InS is higher for lower T and higher c<sub>1</sub>**

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$T_{\text{dust}}$  is assumed to equal to  $T=T_{\text{gas}}$



## 2-2. Behavior of supersaturation ratio



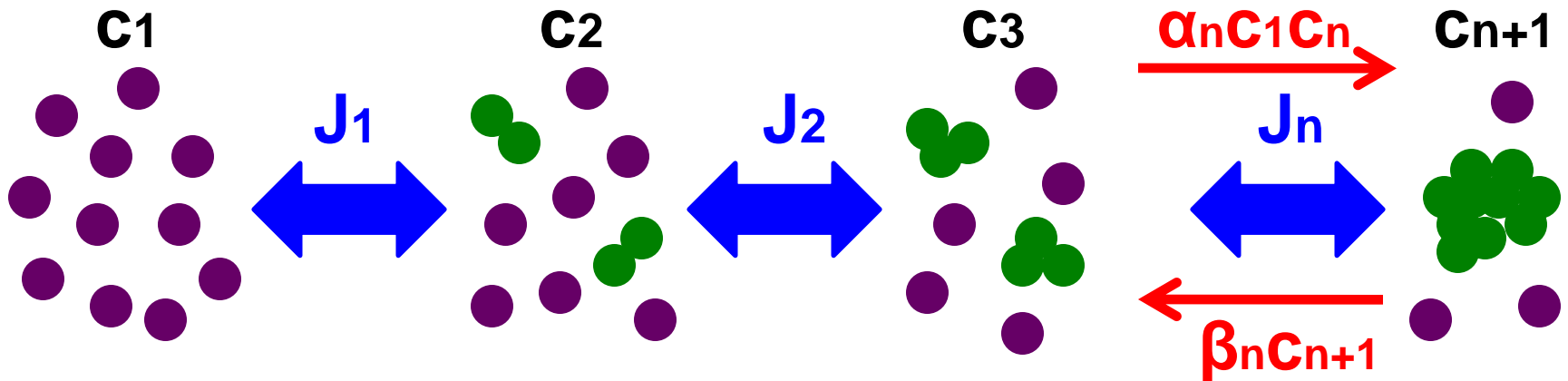
$$\ln S = A / T - B + \ln(c_1 kT / P_0)$$

**$\ln S$  is higher for lower  $T$  and higher  $c_1$**

**number density of carbon atom to be  $\ln S > 0$**

- $c_1 > \sim 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  at 2000 K
- $c_1 > \sim 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  at 1800 K
- $c_1 > \sim 3 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$  at 1600 K

# 3-1. Concept of nucleation



## Master equations

$$\frac{dc_n}{dt} = J_{n-1} - J_n \quad (n \geq 2) \quad \textcircled{3}$$

$s_n=1$  is assumed for every  $n$

$$J_n = \alpha_n C_1 C_n - \beta_n C_{n+1} \quad (\text{unit of } J_n : \text{cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1})$$

$$\alpha_n = s_n S_n \langle v \rangle = s_n 4\pi a_0^2 n^{2/3} \langle v \rangle$$

$$\beta_n = \alpha_n C_{e,1} (C_{e,n} / C_{e,n+1})$$

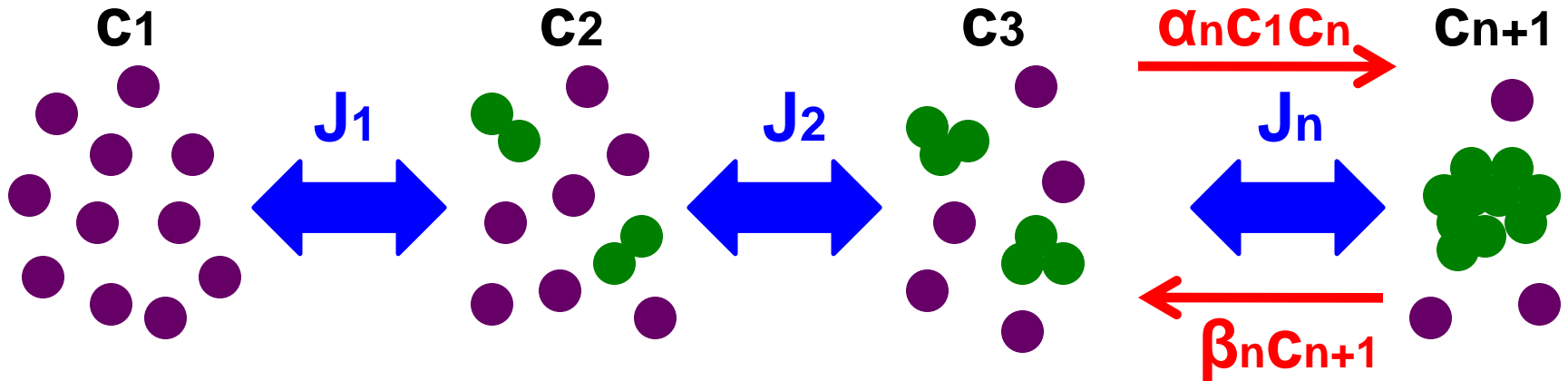
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coagulation between clusters is neglected

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small clusters are assumed to be spheres

## 3-2. Steady-state nucleation rate



$$J_n = \alpha_n C_1 C_n [1 - (c_{e,1}/C_1)(c_{e,n}/C_n)(C_{n+1}/c_{e,n+1})]$$

“steady”  $\rightarrow J_s = J_1 = J_2 = \dots = J_n$  ⑤

$$J_s = \left\{ 1/(\alpha_1 C_1) + \sum (c_{e,1}/C_1)^n 1/(\alpha_n C_1 c_{e,n+1}) \right\}^{-1}$$

$$(c_{e,1}/C_1)^n (1/c_{e,n+1}) = (1/C_1) \exp [g(n)]$$

where  $g(n) = \mu(n-1)^{2/3} - (n-1)\ln S$

$$\rightarrow J_s = \left\{ 1/(\alpha_1 C_1) + \sum 1/(\alpha_n C_1^2) \exp[g(n)] \right\}^{-1}$$



# 3-3. Critical radius

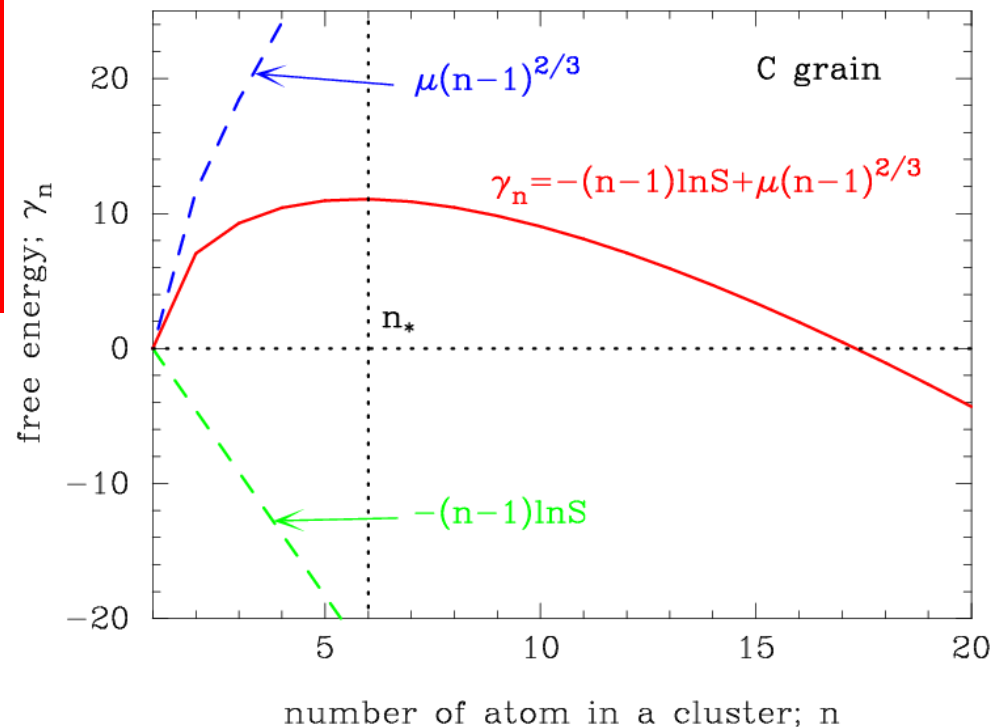
$$J_s = \left\{ 1/(\alpha_1 c_1) + \sum 1/(\alpha_n c_1^2) \exp[g(n)] \right\}^{-1}$$
$$g(n) = \mu(n-1)^{2/3} - (n-1)\ln S$$
$$\mu = 4\pi a_0^2 \sigma / kT \quad (\sigma = 1400 \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{ for C grains})$$

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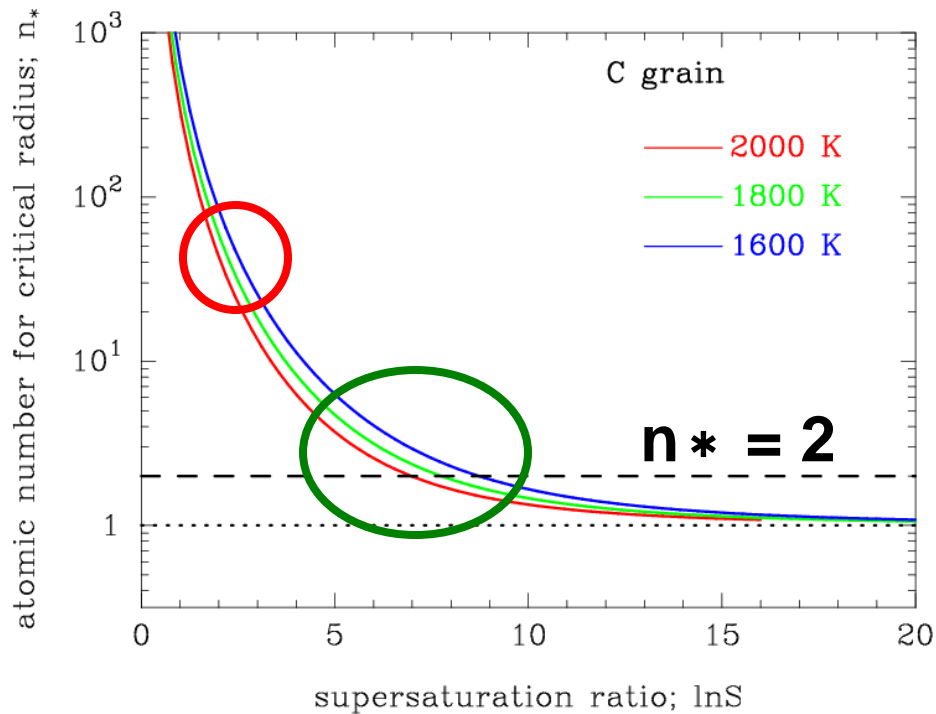
The surface energy of small clusters is assumed to be the same as that of bulk

critical radius

$$(n_* - 1)^{1/3} = \frac{2\mu}{3 \ln S}$$



# 3-4. Critical radius of nucleation



critical radius

$$(n^* - 1)^{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{2\mu}{3 \ln S}$$

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$n^* = n^* - 1$   
assuming  $n^* \gg 1$

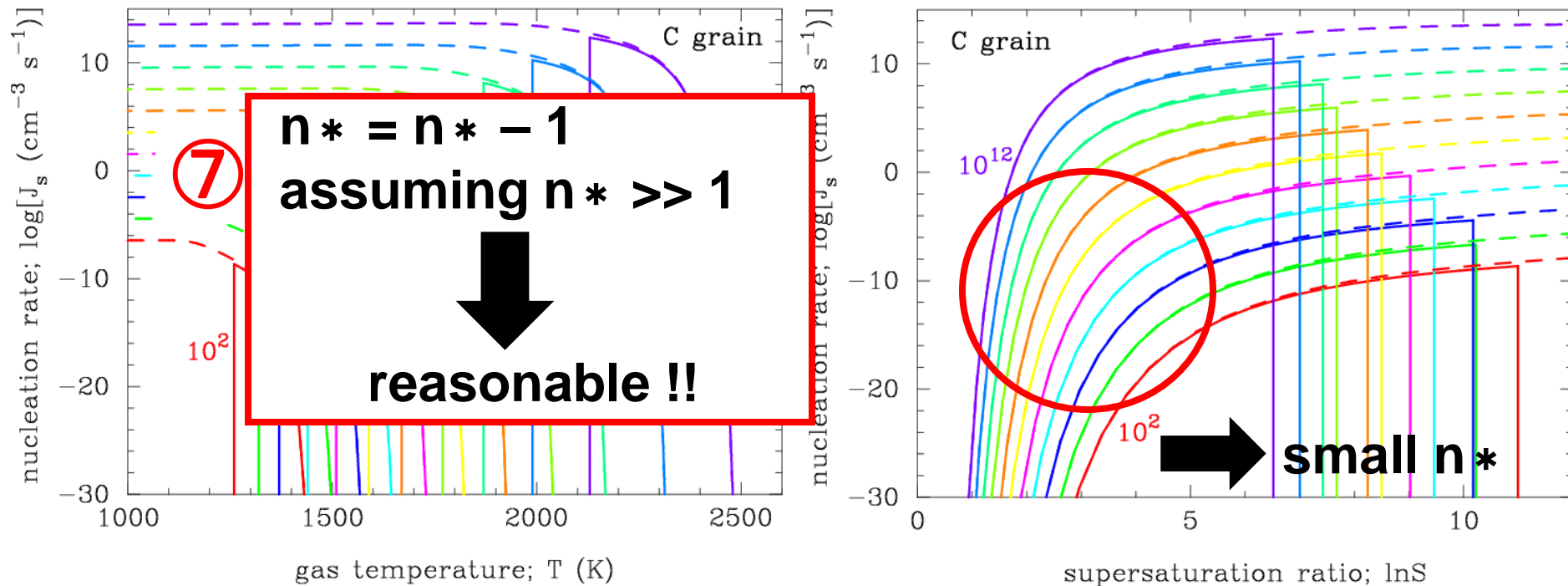
$$J_s = \left\{ \frac{1}{\alpha_1 c_1} + \sum \frac{1}{\alpha_n c_1^2} \exp[g(n)] \right\}^{-1}$$

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$$J_s(t) = \alpha_s \Omega \left( \frac{2\sigma}{\pi m_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Pi c_1^2(t) \exp \left[ -\frac{4}{27} \frac{\mu^3}{(\ln S)^2} \right]$$

$$J_s(t) = 4\pi a_0^2 \alpha_s \left( \frac{kT}{2\pi m_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} c_1^2(t) \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{\mu}{\pi} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{4}{27} \frac{\mu^3}{(\ln S)^2} \right]$$

# 3-5. Comparison of steady-state nucleation



- solid line : approximation formula for nucleation rate

$$J_s(t) = \alpha_s \Omega \left( \frac{2\sigma}{\pi m_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Pi c_1^2(t) \exp \left[ -\frac{4}{27} \frac{\mu^3}{(\ln S)^2} \right]$$

- dashed line : summation form for nucleation rate

$$J_s = \left\{ 1/(\alpha_1 c_1) + \sum 1/(\alpha_n c_1^2) \exp[g(n)] \right\}^{-1}$$

## 4-1. Non-steady nucleation rate

$$J_s = \{1/(\alpha_1 c_1) + \sum 1/(\alpha_n c_1^2) \exp[g(n)]\}^{-1}$$

“steady”  $\rightarrow J_s = J_1 = J_2 = \dots = J_n$  ⑤

$$J_n = \alpha_n c_1 c_n [1 - (c_{e,1}/c_1)(c_{e,n}/c_n)(c_{n+1}/c_{e,n+1})]$$

$$\rightarrow J_n = \alpha_n c_1 \{c_n - c_{n+1} \exp[g'(n)]\}$$

$$g'(n) = \mu [(n-1)^{2/3} - (n-2)^{2/3}] - \ln S$$

### Master equations

$$dc_n/dt = J_{n-1} - J_n \quad (2 \leq n \leq 100)$$

$$T = T_0 (t / t_0)^{-3/4} \quad (T_0 = 3000 \text{ K}, t_0 = 150 \text{ day})$$

$$c_1 = c_{10} (t / t_0)^{-3} \quad (c_{10} = 10^5 - 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-3})$$

# 4-2. Basic equations of dust formation

## Equation of conservation for atoms

$$1 - \frac{c_1(t)}{\tilde{c}_1(t)} = \int_{t_0}^t \frac{J(t')}{\tilde{c}_1(t')} \frac{4\pi}{3\Omega} r^3(t, t') dt'$$

$$V(t)\tilde{c}_1(t) - V(t)c_1(t) = \int_{t_0}^t V(t')J(t')n[r(t, t')]dt'$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = \alpha_s \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi m_1} \right) c_1(t) = \frac{1}{3} a_0 \tau_{\text{coll}}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\partial V_d}{\partial t} = 4\pi r^2 \frac{\partial r}{\partial t} = \alpha_s \Omega 4\pi r^2 \langle v \rangle c_1(t)$$

$$\tau_{\text{coll}}^{-1}(t) = 4\pi a_0^2 \alpha_s \left( \frac{kT}{2\pi m_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} c_1(t)$$

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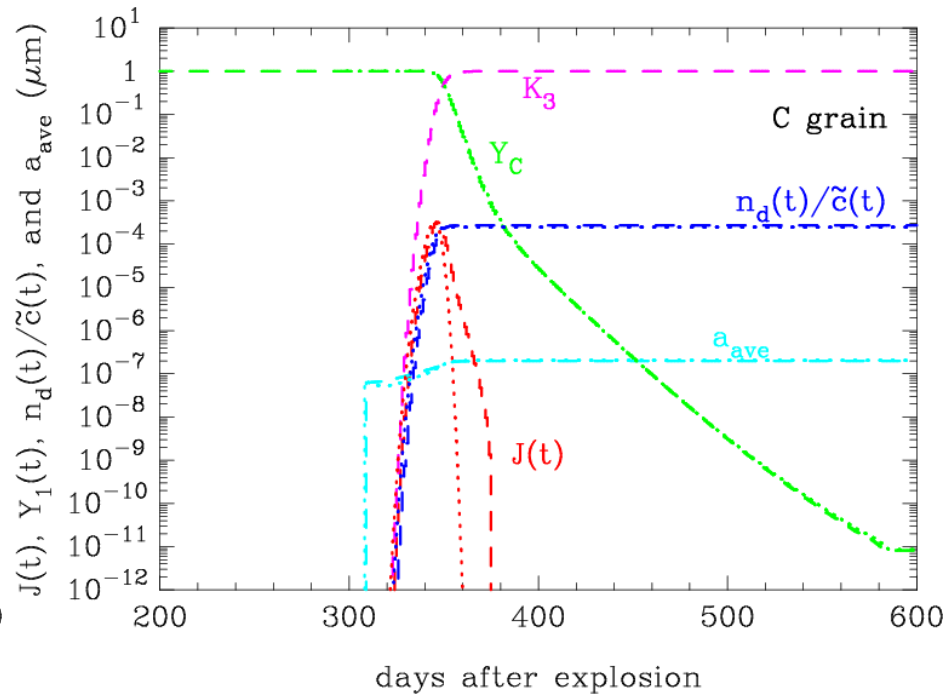
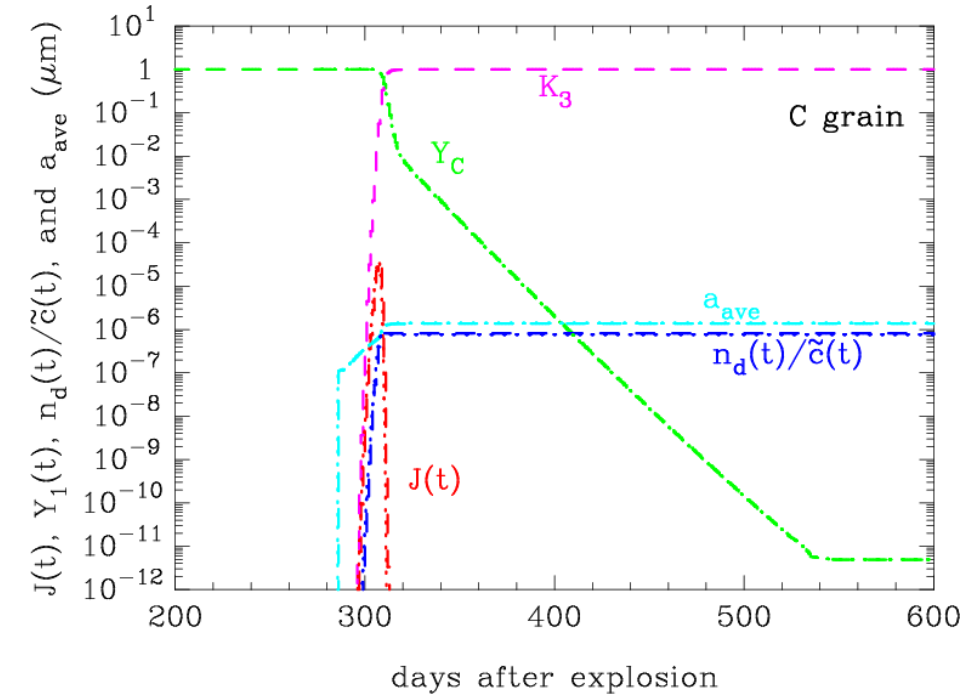
$t_0$ )

$$r(t, t_0) = r_* + \int_{t_0}^t \frac{1}{3} a_0 \tau_{\text{coll}}^{-1}(t') dt'$$

# 4-3. Steady vs. Non-steady (1)

$c_{10} = 10^8 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$c_{10} = 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$



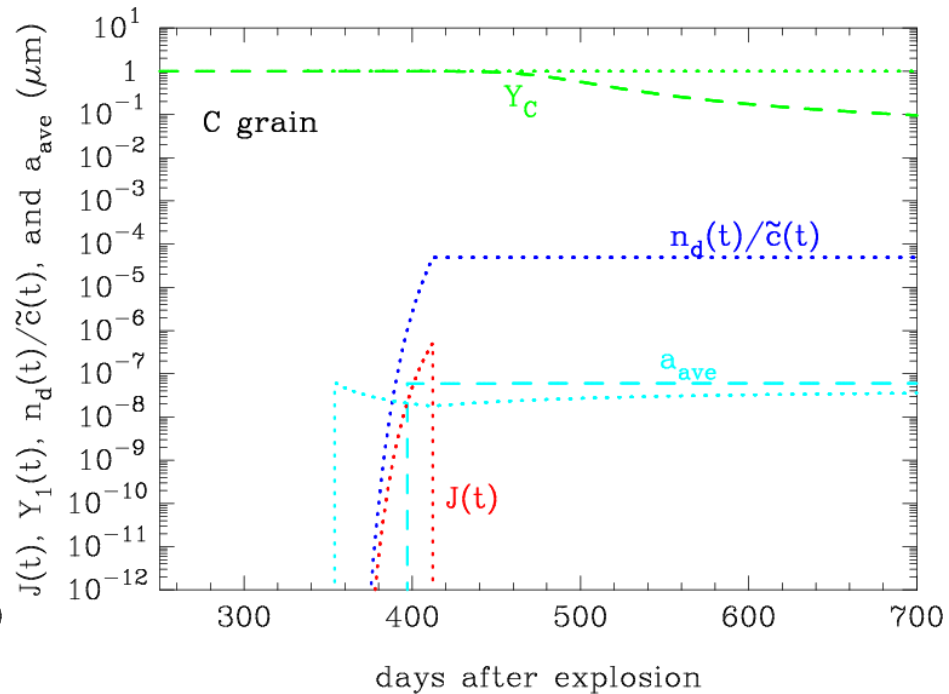
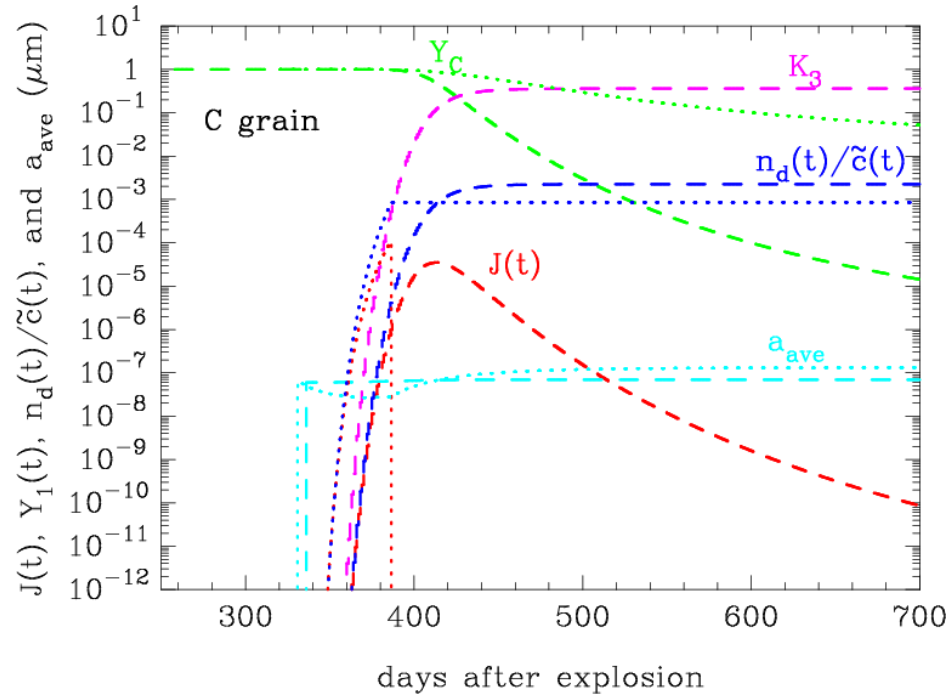
- dashed line : steady-state nucleation rate
- dotted line : non-steady-state nucleation rate

The difference between steady and non-steady nucleation is small for higher initial densities

# 4-4. Steady vs. Non-steady (2)

$c_{10} = 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$c_{10} = 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$



- dashed line : steady-state nucleation rate
- dotted line : non-steady-state nucleation rate

**The difference between steady and non-steady nucleation is significant for lower densities**

# 5-1. Relaxation time

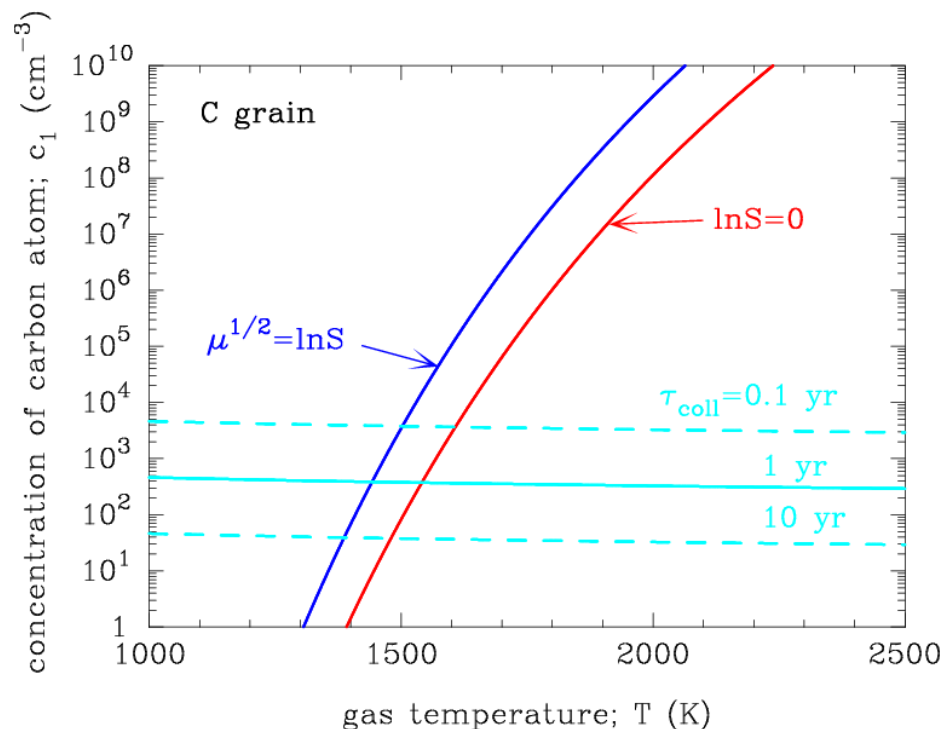
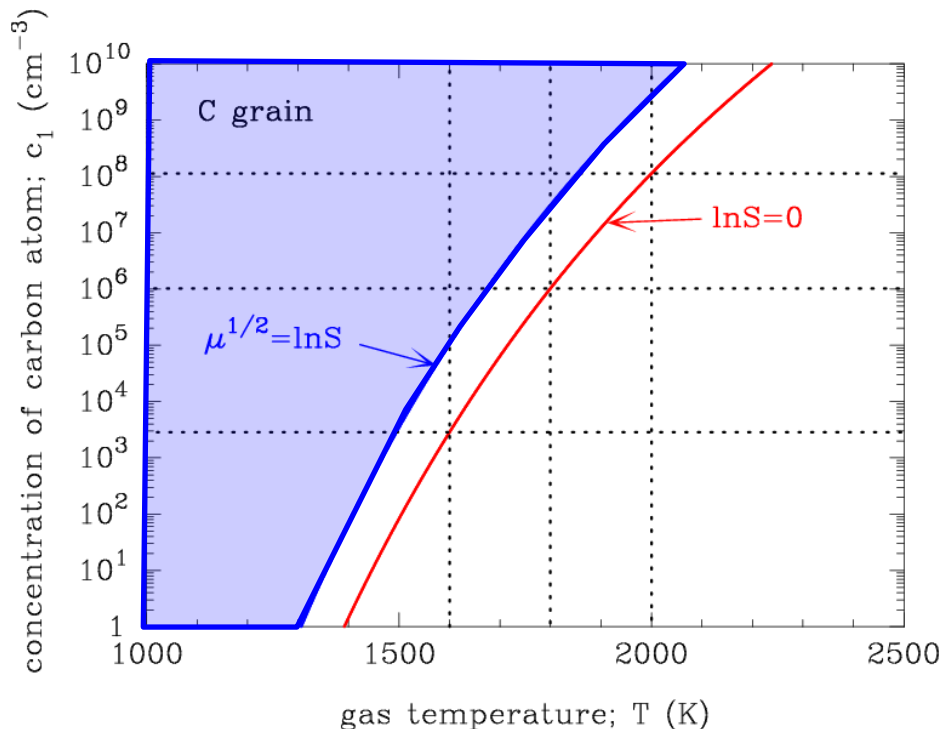
## • relaxation time, $T_{\text{relax}}$

$$\rightarrow T_{\text{relax}} = T_{\text{coll}} \left[ \frac{(\ln S)^2}{\mu} \right]$$

$$T_{\text{coll}} = \left[ S_n 4\pi a_0^2 \langle v \rangle c_1 \right]^{-1}$$

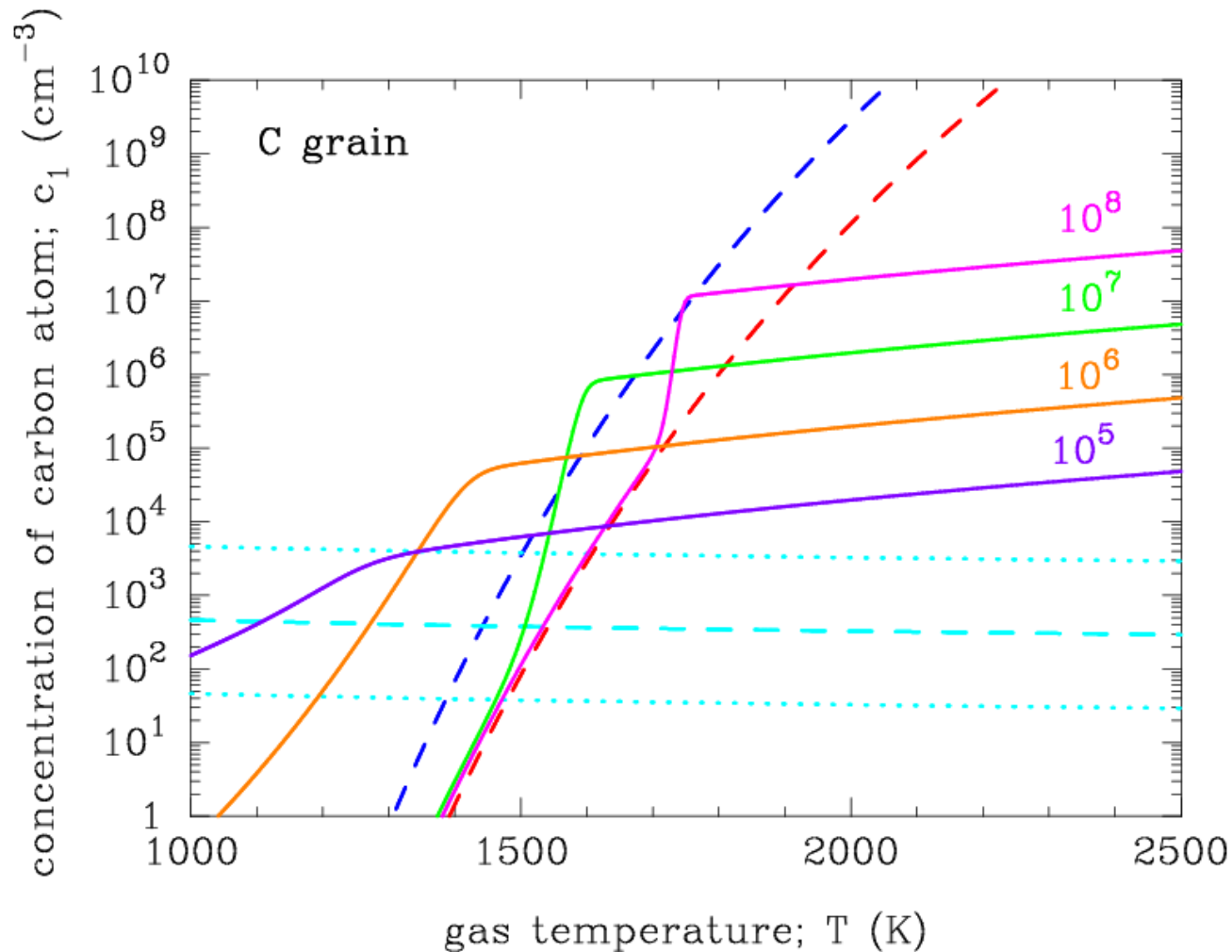
$$T_{\text{relax}} / T_{\text{coll}} = \left[ \frac{(\ln S)^2}{\mu} \right] < 1 \rightarrow \text{steady}$$

$$T_{\text{relax}} / T_{\text{coll}} = \left[ \frac{(\ln S)^2}{\mu} \right] > 1 \rightarrow \text{non-steady}$$





## 5-2. Trajectories on T-c<sub>1</sub> plot for dust formation



- higher  $c_1 \rightarrow$  dust condenses at lower  $\ln S \rightarrow$  steady
- lower  $c_1 \rightarrow$  dust condenses at higher  $\ln S \rightarrow$  non-steady

## 6. Current problems in dust formation theory

- ① Dust temperature is assumed to be equivalent to gas temperature
- ② The coagulation between clusters is neglected
- ③ The sticking probability is assumed to be one
- ④ Small clusters are assumed to be spherical
- ⑤  $J_s = J_1 = J_2 = \dots = J_{n^*}$  for steady-state nucleation
- ⑥ The surface energy of bulk material is used as that of small clusters
- ⑦  $n^* \gg 1$  is assumed for classical nucleation rate  
→ this assumption is valid