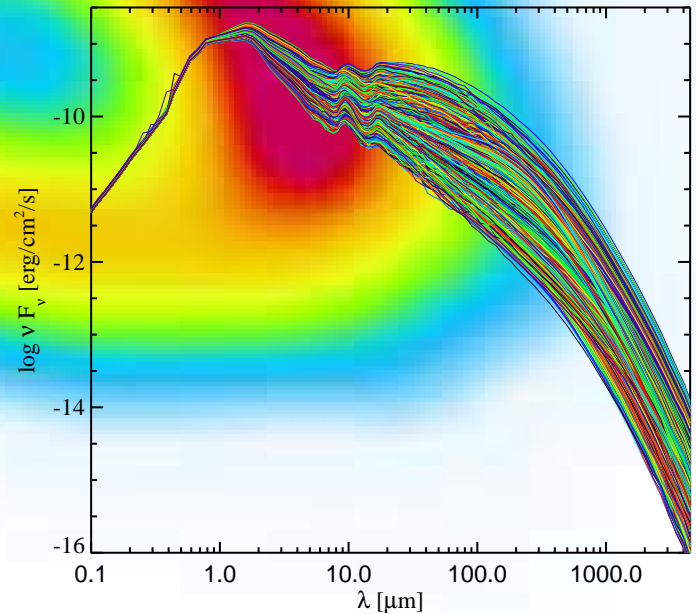


What determines the SED mm-slope of protoplanetary discs?

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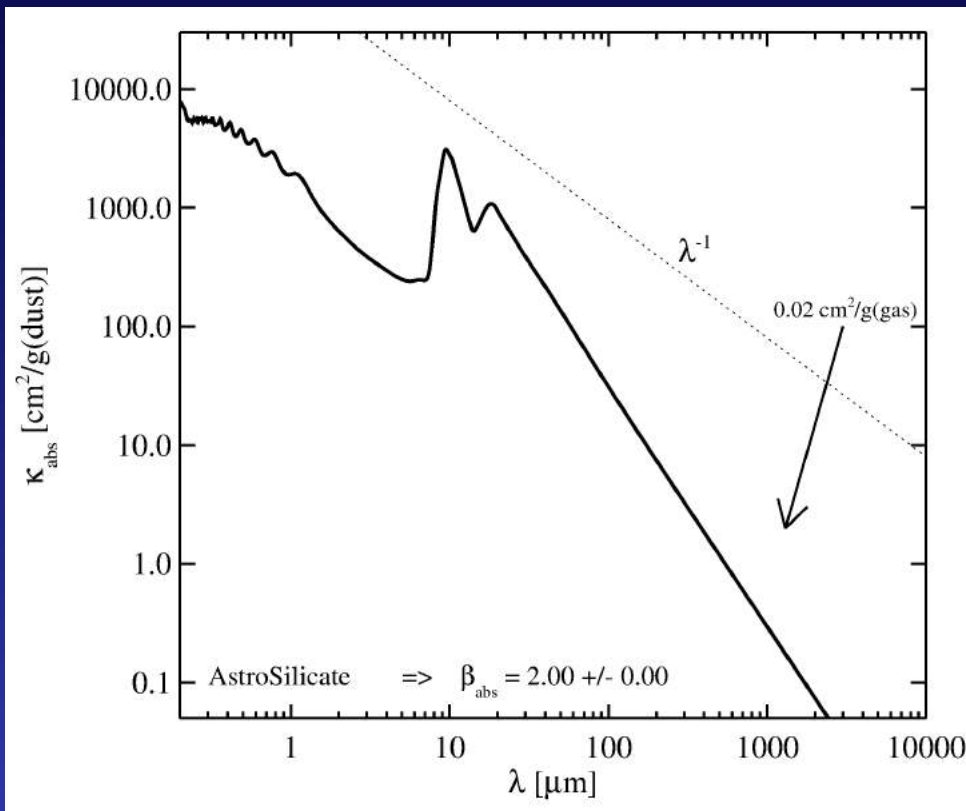




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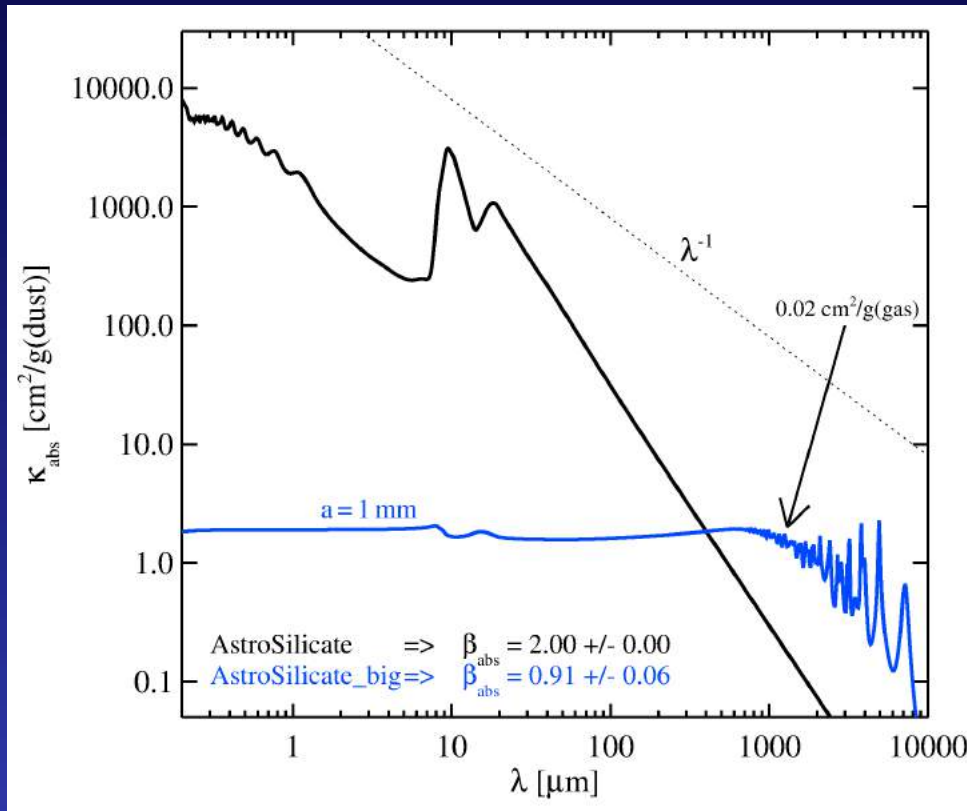
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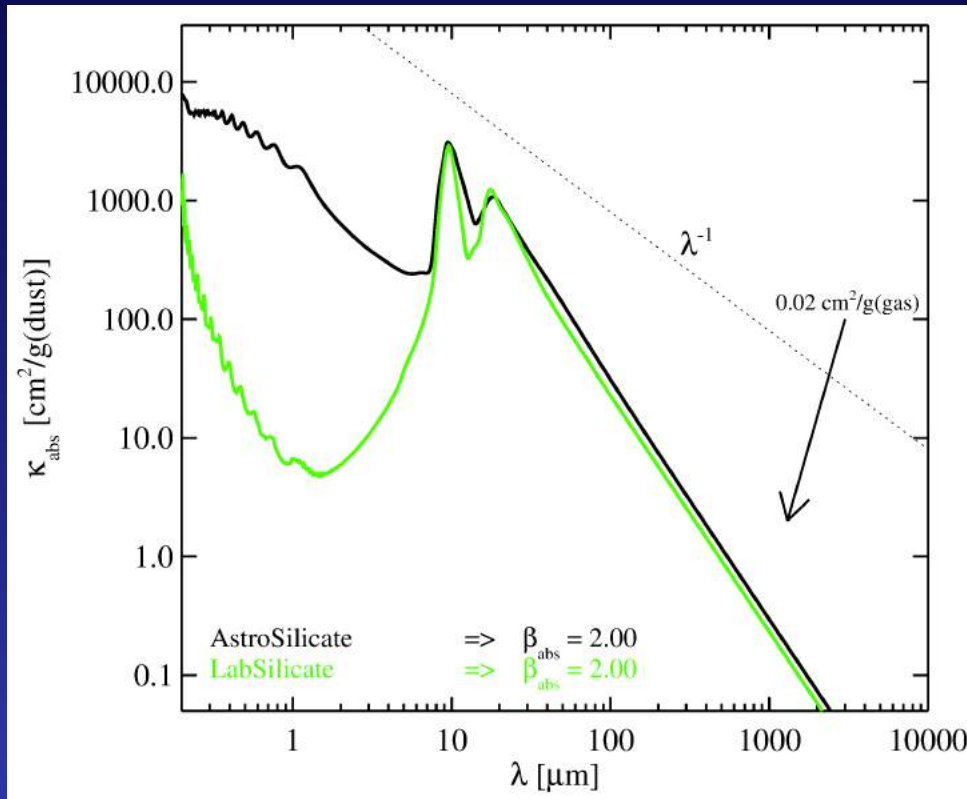
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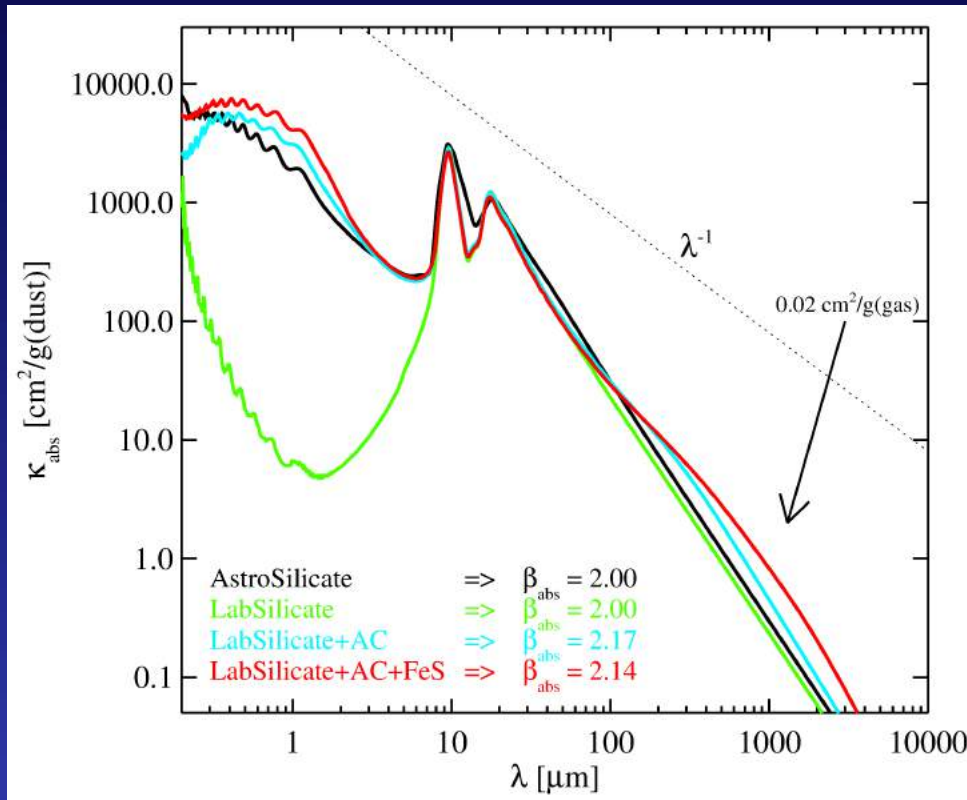
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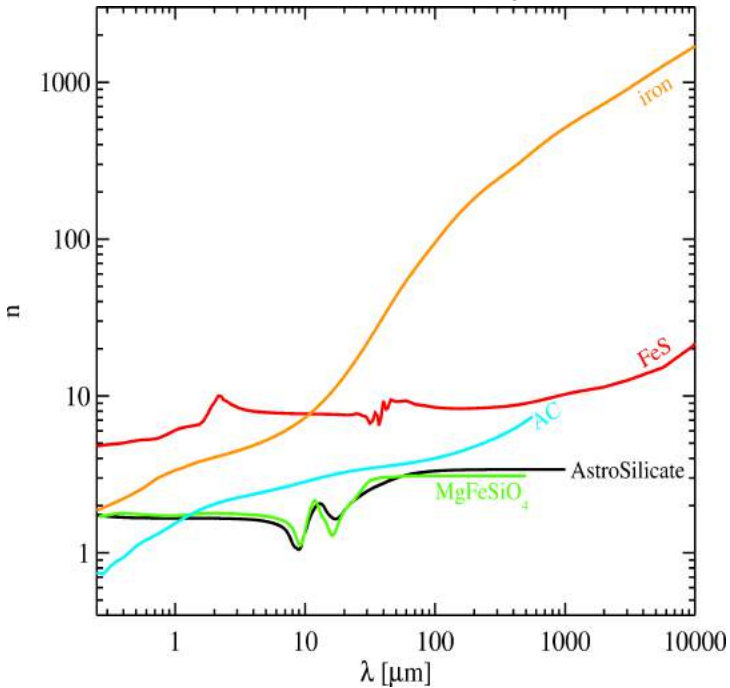
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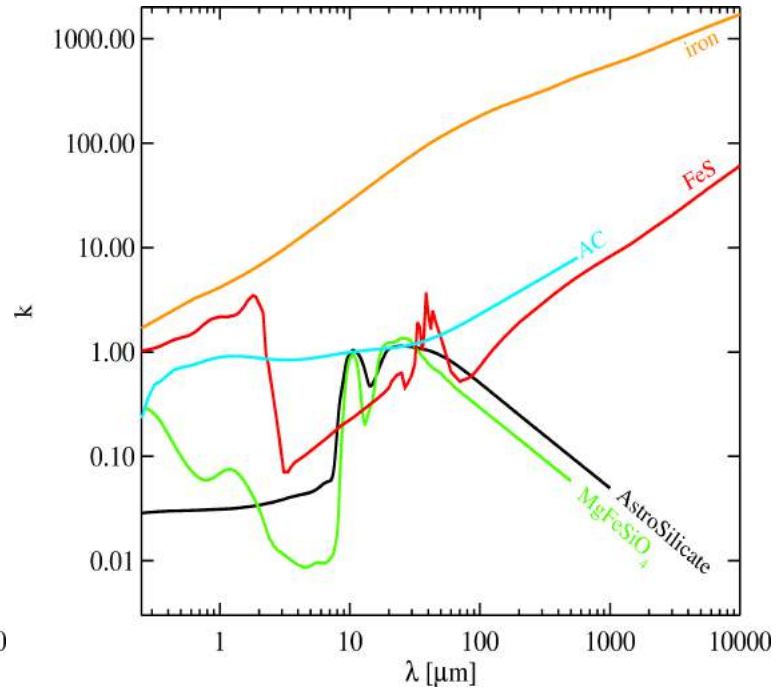
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The Effect of Conducting Impurities

real part of refractory index n



complex part k



iron: metallic iron (http://www.mpia-hd.mpg.de/homes/henning/Dust_opacities/Opacities/RI/new_ri.html)

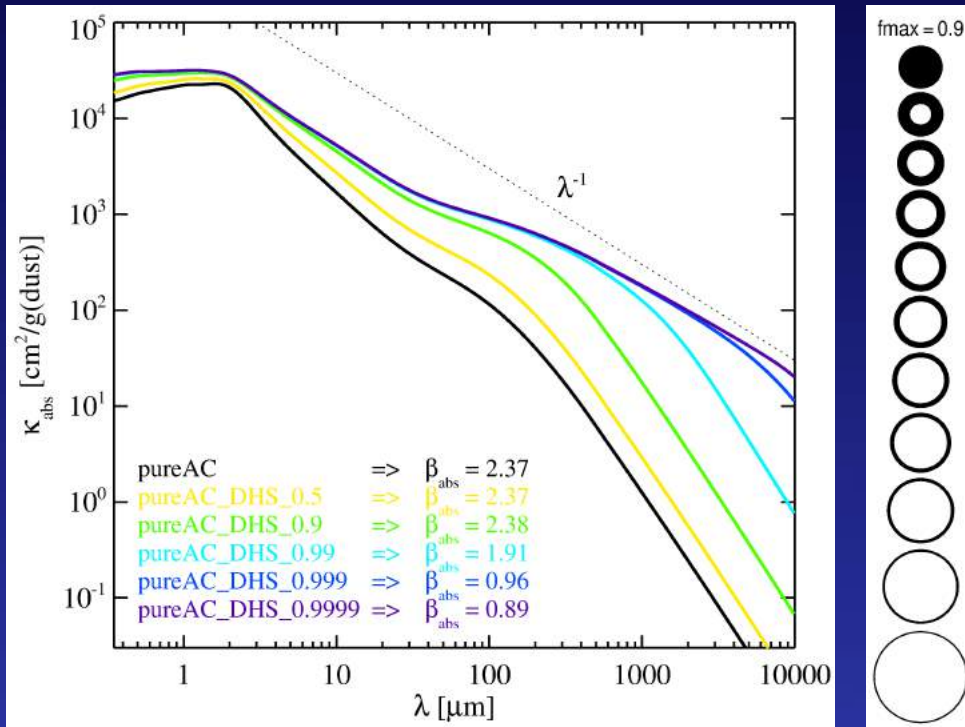
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MgFeSiO₄: amorphous olivine (Dorschner et al. 1995)

Shape Irregularities and DHS



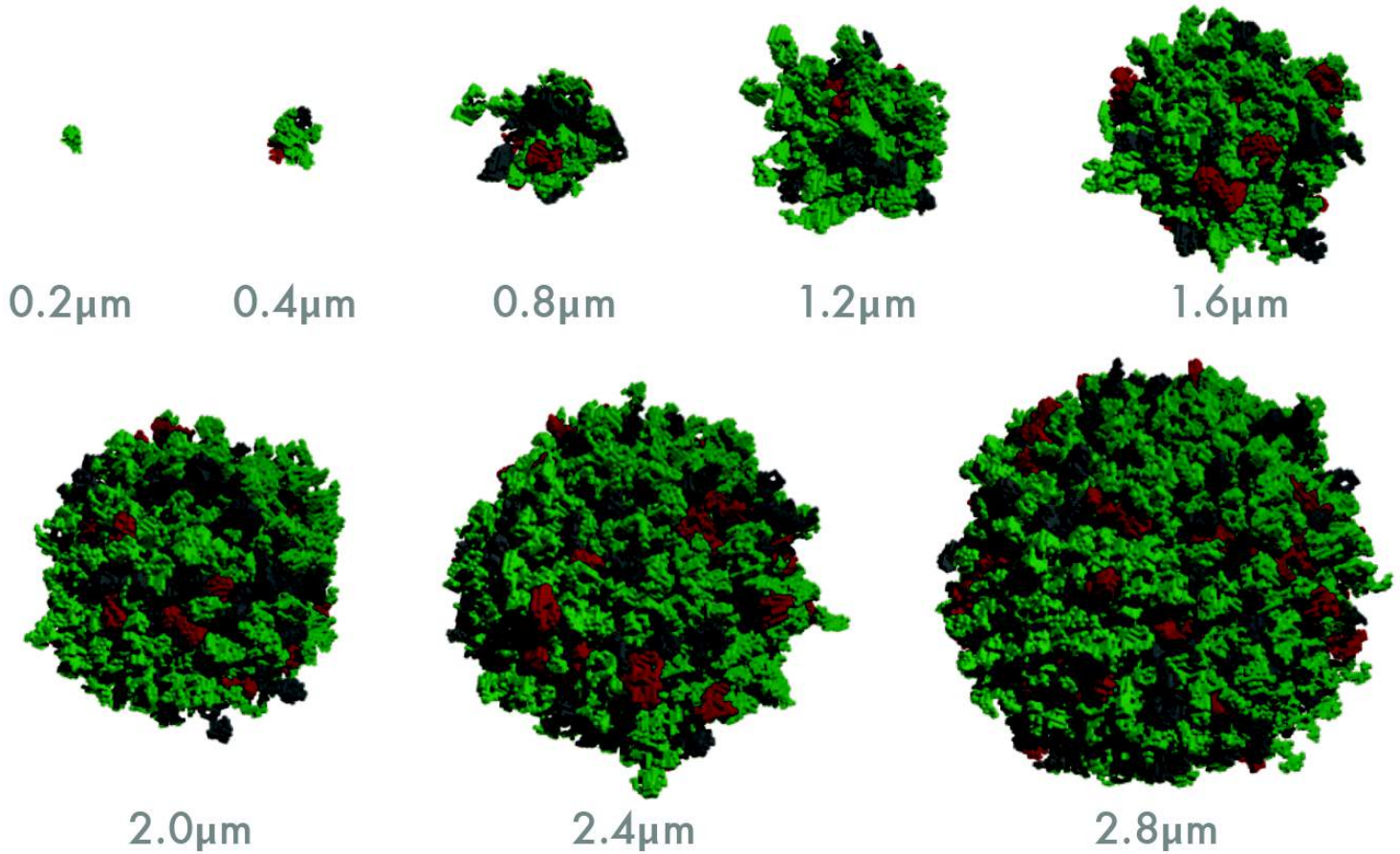
pureAC: $a = 0.3 \mu\text{m}$, amorphous carbon (Jaeger et al. 1998 – cel800)

DHS: distribution of hollow spheres (Min et al. 2005),

e.g. 0.9: maximum hollow sphere volume ratio $f_{\text{max}} = V_{\text{core}}/V$

- hollow sphere's radius and shell thickness provide two different spatial scales to model shape irregularities (“antennas”, “iron needles”, etc.)
- these are sub- μm particles! Also applies to impurities in big grains!

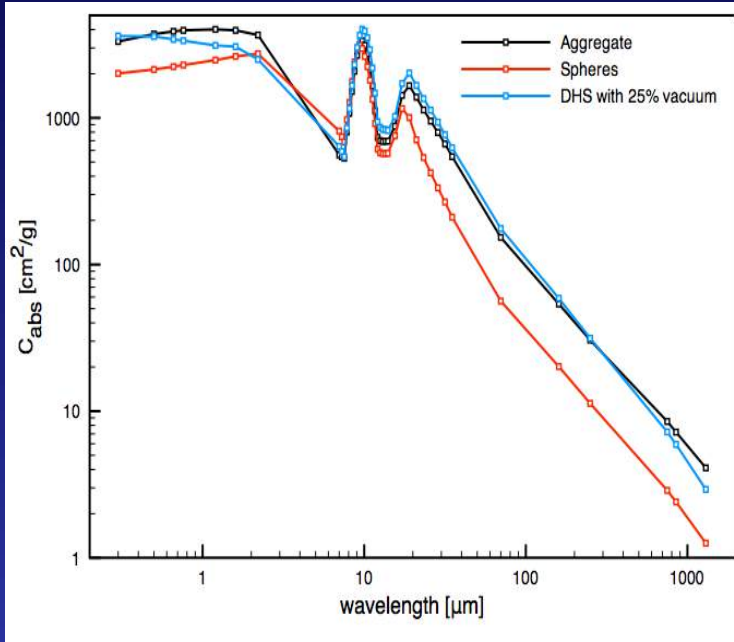
Irregular Particles (Aggregates)



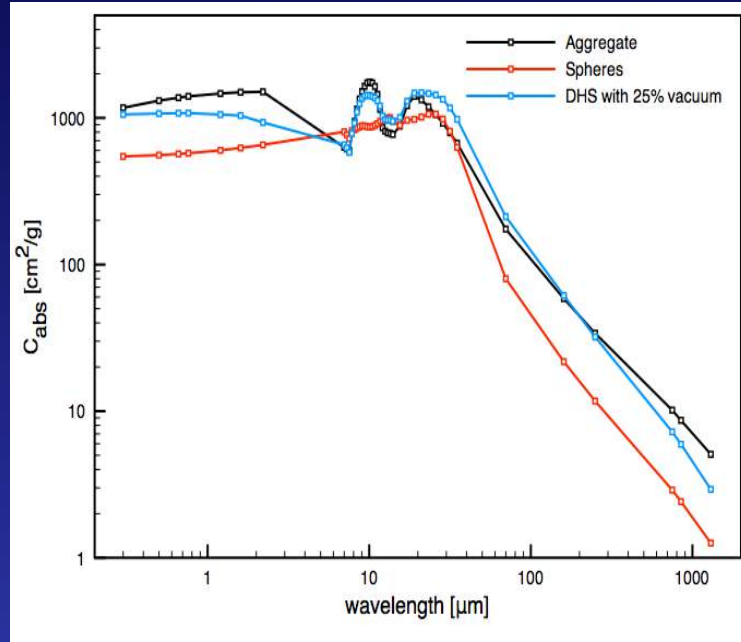
M. Min et al. (2013, in prep.)

Aggregate Particles (DDA)

$a = 1.2 \mu\text{m}$



$a = 4 \mu\text{m}$



Aggregate (DDA): composite, irregular particles (discrete dipole approximation)
75% MgSiO_3 , 10% FeS , 15% AC

Spheres: same Bruggeman (1935)-mix, Mie theory

DHS: same mix, but with 25% porosity & DHS











Min et al. (2013, in prep.): check simple methods against detailed DDA computations
recommend opacity standards for multi- λ disk models





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Analysis and Modelling of Multi-wavelength Observational Data from Protoplanetary Discs

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sub-mm to cm	X-rays	near-mid IR	near-far IR	near IR - mm
coordination	obs./mod.	mod./obs.	obs./mod.	mod./obs.
JCMT, eMERLIN	XMM, Herschel	VLT, JWST	HST, Herschel	Herschel, JWST
astrobiology	high energy	dust mod.	interferometry	gas mod.

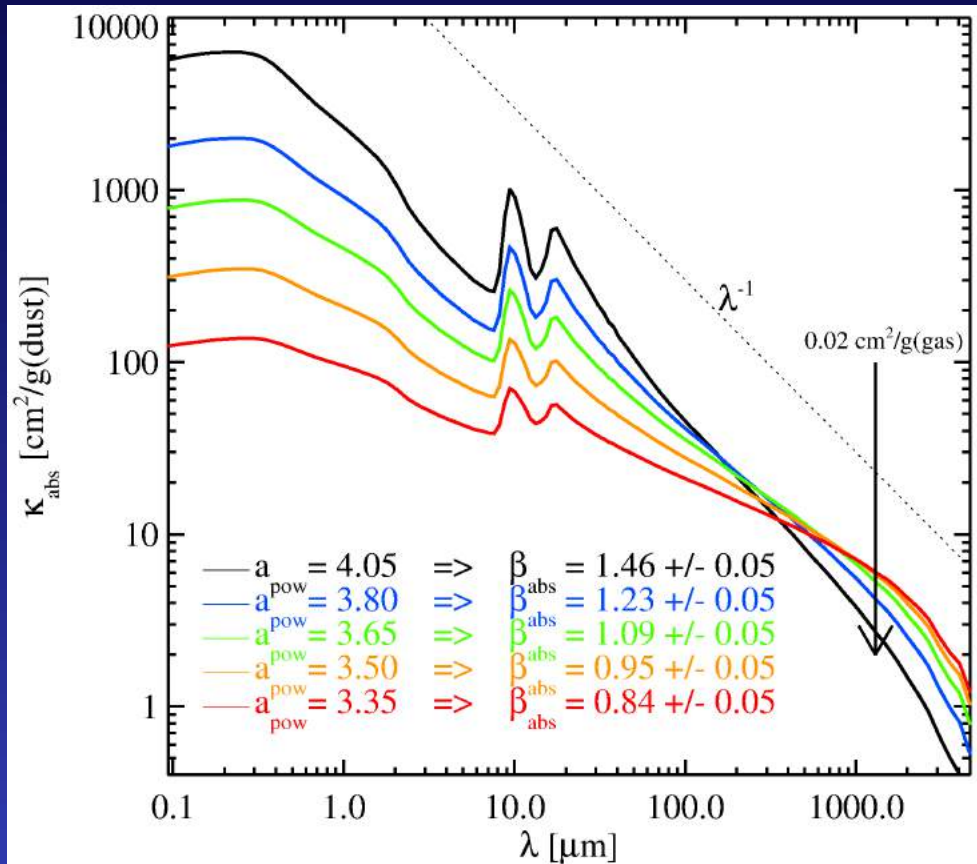
multi- λ data collection X-ray to cm (archival and proprietary)

coherent, detailed modelling of gas & dust throughout the disc

using disk modelling software ProDiMo, MCMMax, MCFOST

aim: disc shape, temperatures, dust properties, chemistry in the birth-places of exoplanets

size distribution and mm-slope



- size distribution $f(a) \propto a^{-a_{\text{pow}}}$ from $a_{\text{min}} = 0.05 \mu\text{m}$ to $a_{\text{max}} = 1 \text{ mm}$,
- 50% MgFeSiO_4 + 30% $\text{Mg}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{SiO}_3$ + 10% AC + 10% FeS
- no porosity, no DHS, no irregularities



Dust Opacities ?

Disk Shape ?

Parameters of the betaGRID

stellar parameter

fixed: T Tauri (K7), $T_{\text{eff}} = 4000 \text{ K}$, $L_{\star} = 1 L_{\odot}$, $M_{\star} = 0.7 M_{\odot}$,
 $L_{\text{UV}}/L_{\star} = 0.01$, $L_X = 10^{30} L_{\odot}$

disk shape parameter

1.	M_{dust}	disk mass [M_{\odot}]	0.001, 0.003, 0.01, 0.03, 0.1
2.	R_{out}	outer disk radius [AU]	100, 200, 400
3.	ϵ	column density power index using $\Sigma(r) \propto r^{-\epsilon} \exp(-r/R_{\text{tap}})$	0.5, 0.75, 1.0, 1.25, 1.5
4.	H_0	scale height [AU] at $R_0 = 3 \text{ AU}$	0.1, 0.14, 0.2, 0.28, 0.4
5.	β	flaring power $H(r) = H_0 (\frac{r}{R_0})^{\beta}$	1.04, 1.08, 1.12, 1.16, 1.2

fixed: $\text{gas/dust} = 100$, $R_{\text{in}} = 0.07 \text{ AU}$, $R_{\text{tap}} = R_{\text{out}}/4$

dust parameter

6.	a_{pow}	size power index $f(a) \propto a^{-a_{\text{pow}}}$	3.35, 3.5, 3.65, 3.8, 4.05
7.	α	turbulent mixing for settling	10^{-5} , 10^{-4} , 10^{-3} , 10^{-2} , 10^{-1}

fixed: $a_{\text{min}} = 0.05 \mu\text{m}$, $a_{\text{max}} = 1 \text{ mm}$, Dubrulle(1995)-settling
 (45% MgFeSiO₄, 35% Mg_{0.5}Fe_{0.5}SiO₃, 15% AC, 5% FeS)

- 1000 disk models, $T_{\text{dust}}(r, z)$ & SEDs computed with
- $T_{\text{gas}}(r, z)$, chemistry & emission lines computed with

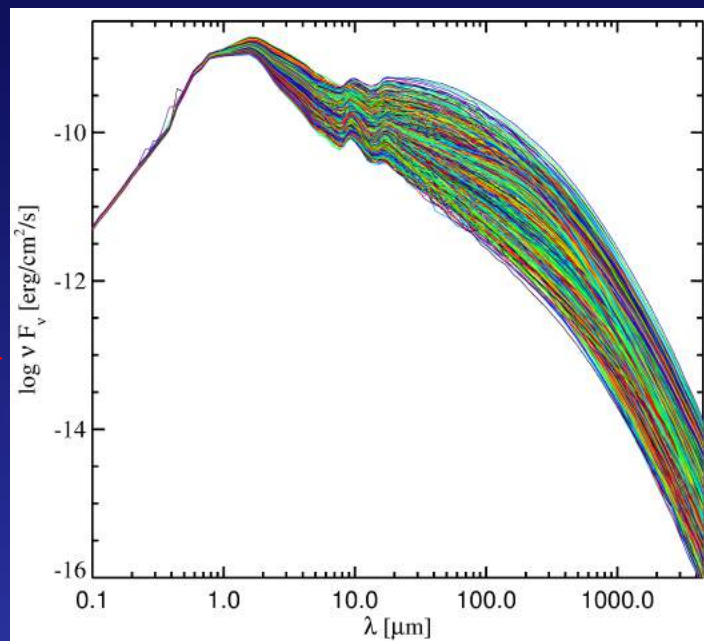
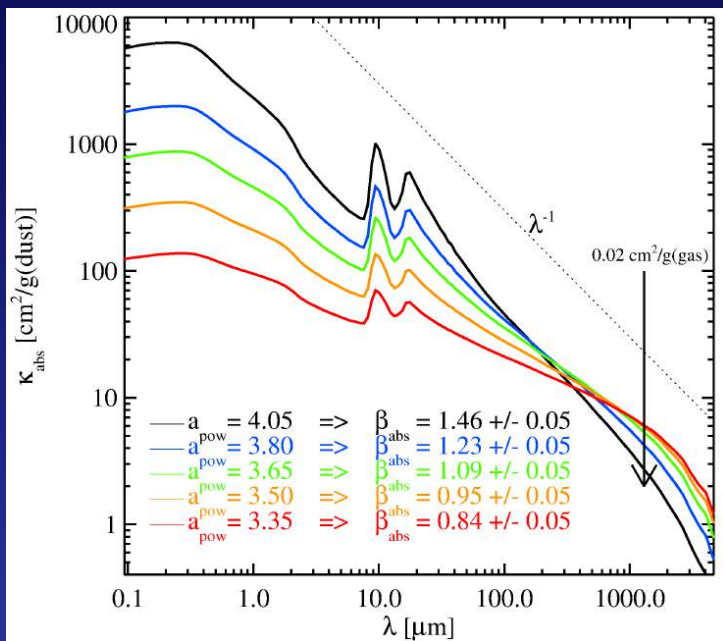


(Min et al. 2009)

ProDiMo

(Woitke et al. 2009)

2. Does the opacity-slope determine the SED mm-slope?

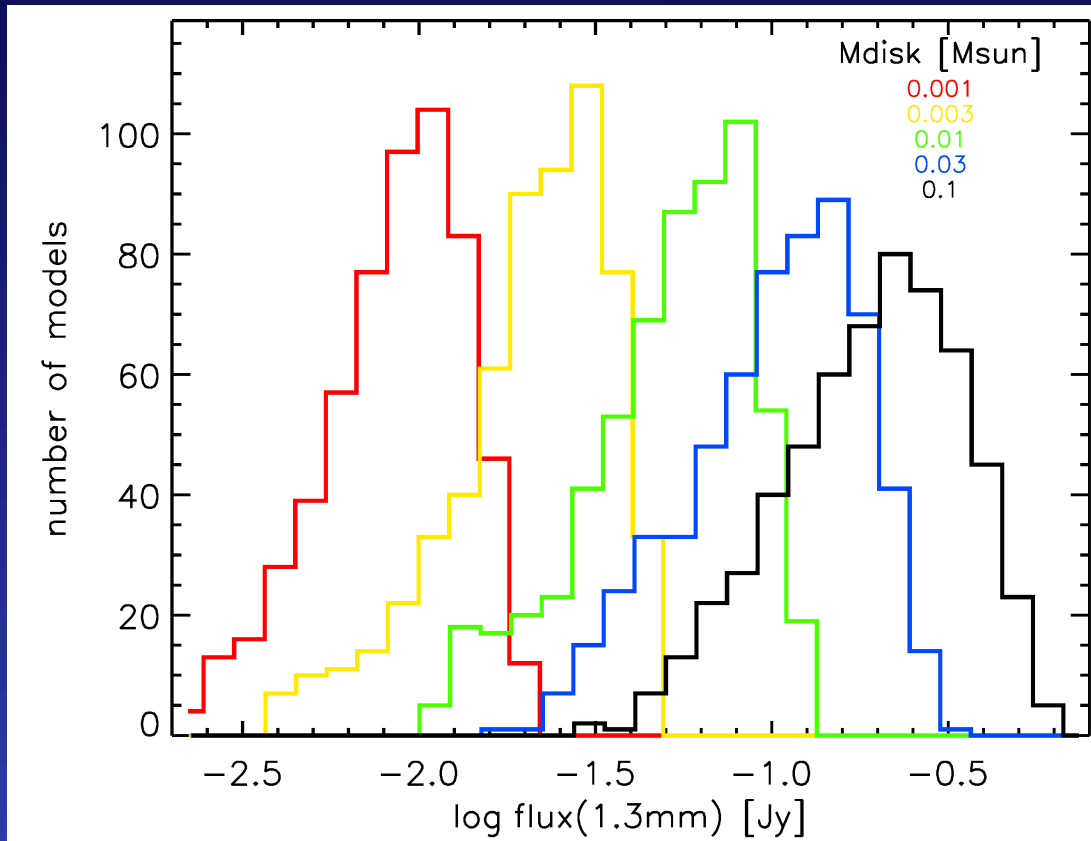


Beckwith et al. (1990): $\alpha_{\text{SED}} = 2 + \frac{\beta_{\text{abs}}}{1 + \Delta}$

with $\Delta = \Delta(M_{\text{disk}}, p, q, R_{\text{in}}, R_{\text{out}})$ being a correction for optical depths effects, analytically derived from $\Sigma(r) \propto r^{-p}$, $T_{\text{dust}}(r) \propto r^{-q}$, $\kappa_{\text{abs}}(\lambda) \propto \lambda^{-\beta_{\text{abs}}}$

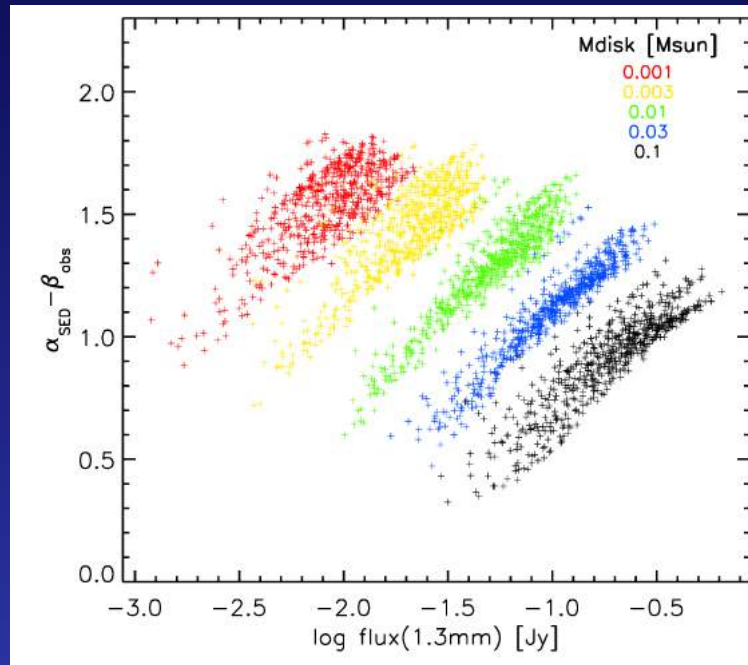
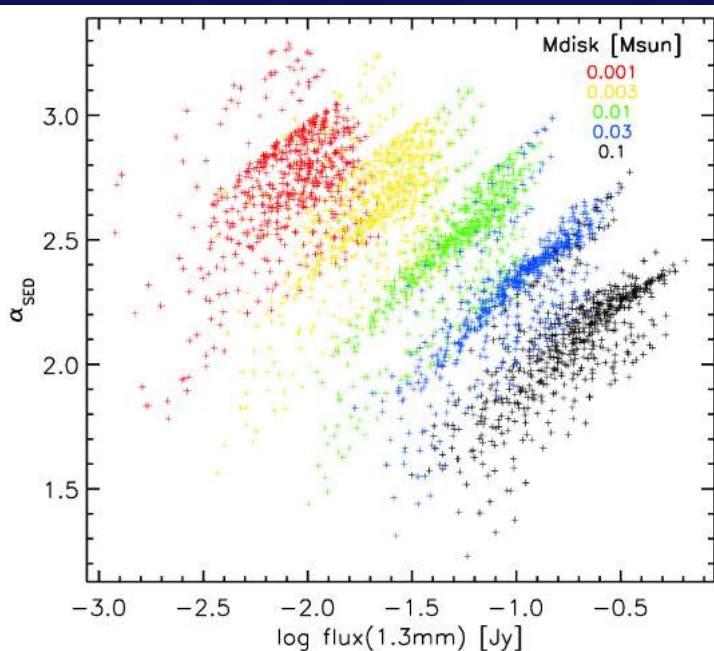
→ Is this valid?

Dust Mass Determination via $F_\nu(1.3 \text{ mm})$



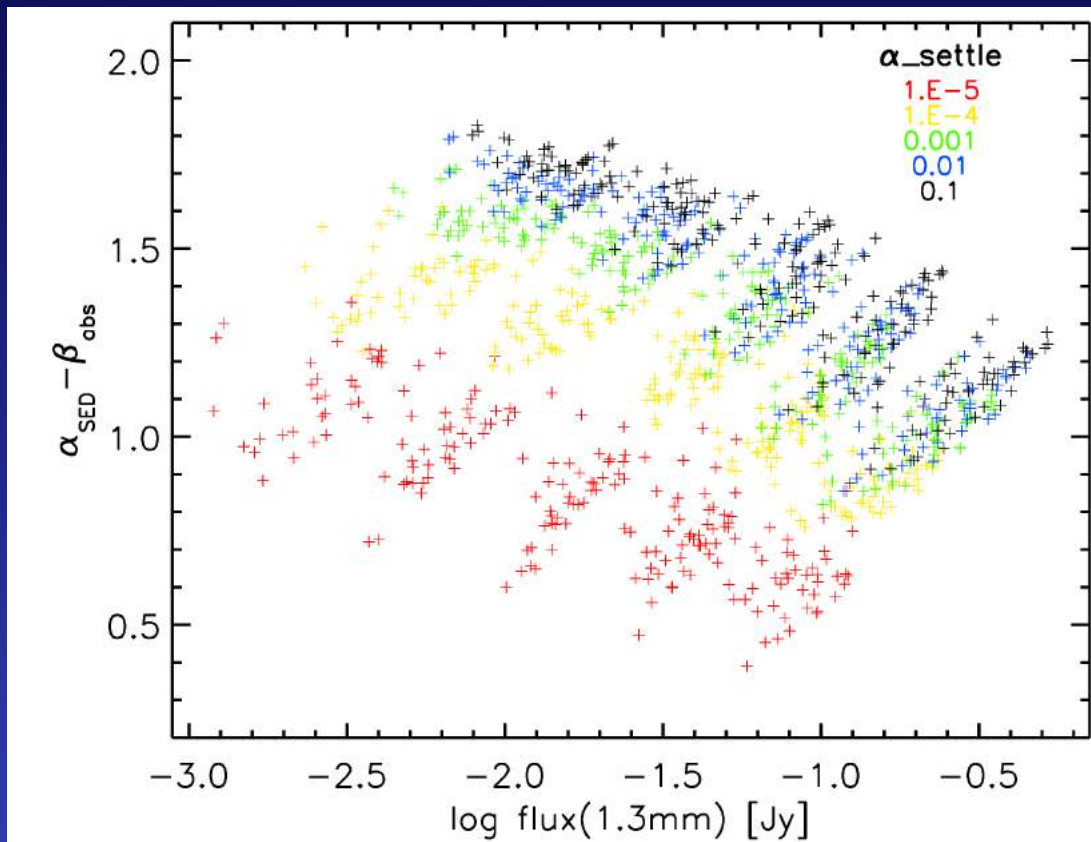
- **optical depths effects** limit flux-increase for $M_{\text{disk}} \gtrsim 0.01 M_{\odot}$, as expected
- **FWHM** of single- M_{disk} flux-distribution is about 0.6 dex (!)

An Improved Dust Mass Determination Method?



- the **SED-slope** α_{SED} can help to disentangle $M_{\text{disk}} = M_{\text{disk}}(F_{1.3\text{mm}})$
- if the **opacity slope** β_{obs} is known, the correlation becomes very tight
 $M_{\text{disk}} = M_{\text{disk}}(F_{1.3\text{mm}}, \alpha_{\text{SED}} - \beta_{\text{obs}})$

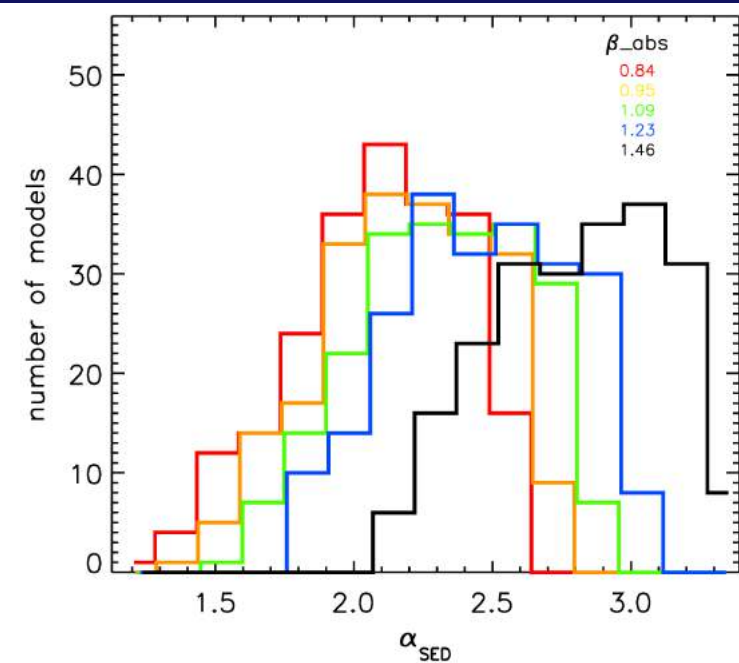
Why still 1 order of mag diversity?



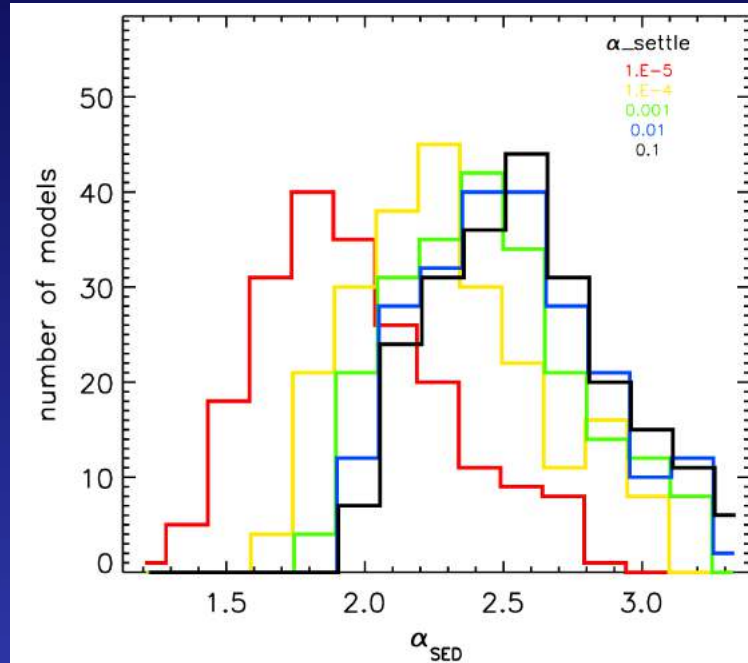
- one parameter sticks out: **dust settling!**

What is more important for SED mm-slope?

dependence on opacity-slope



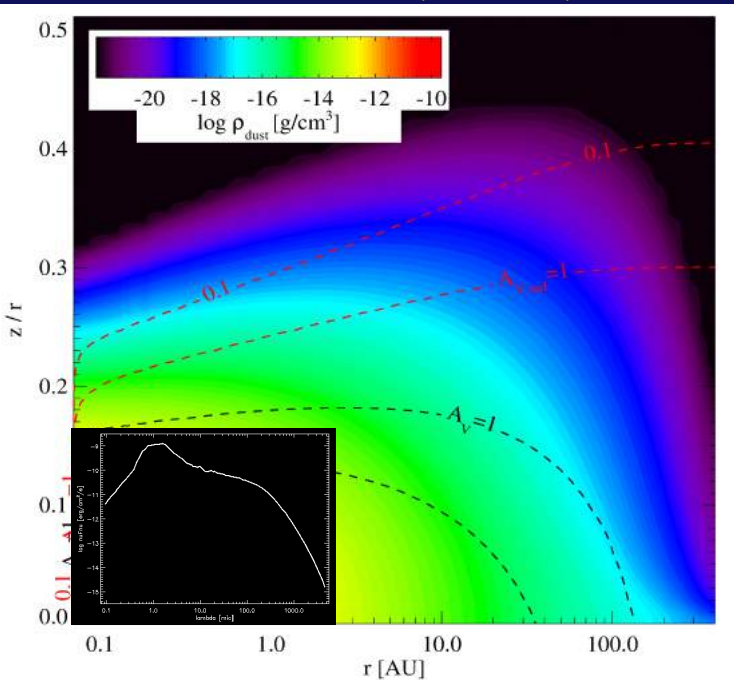
dependence on dust settling



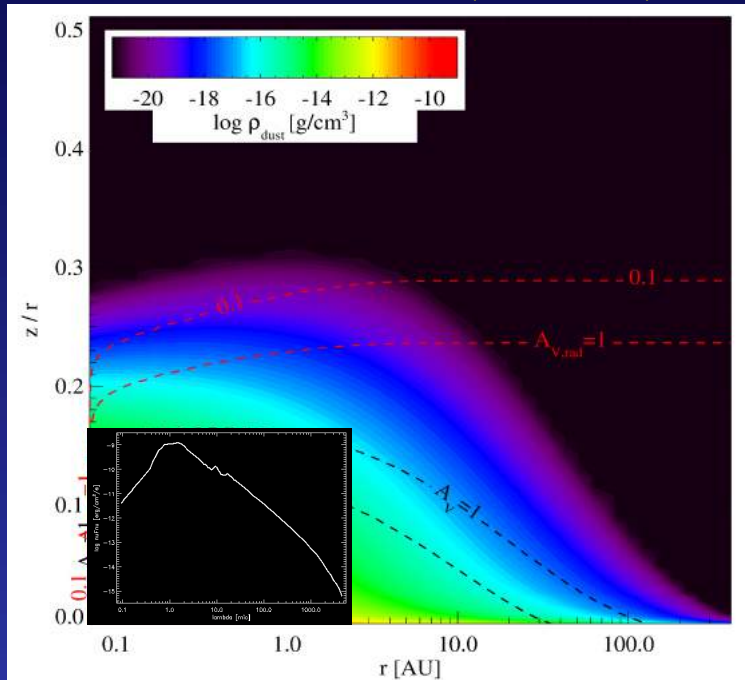
- dust settling alone is as important as the opacity-slope
 - other disk properties (R_{out} , scale height, flaring, ϵ , ...) play a role, too
- ⇒ together, disk shape & settling seem more important (!)

Why can settling make an order-of-mag difference?

well-mixed ($\alpha=0.1$)



strong settling ($\alpha=10^{-5}$)



(otherwise identical model parameters $M_{\text{disk}}=0.01 M_{\odot}$, $R_{\text{out}}=400 \text{ AU}$, $\epsilon=1$, $H_0=0.2 \text{ AU}$, $\beta=1.12$, $a_{\text{pow}}=3.5$)

$F_{1.3 \text{ mm}}=0.096 \text{ Jy}$, $\alpha_{\text{SED}}=2.50$

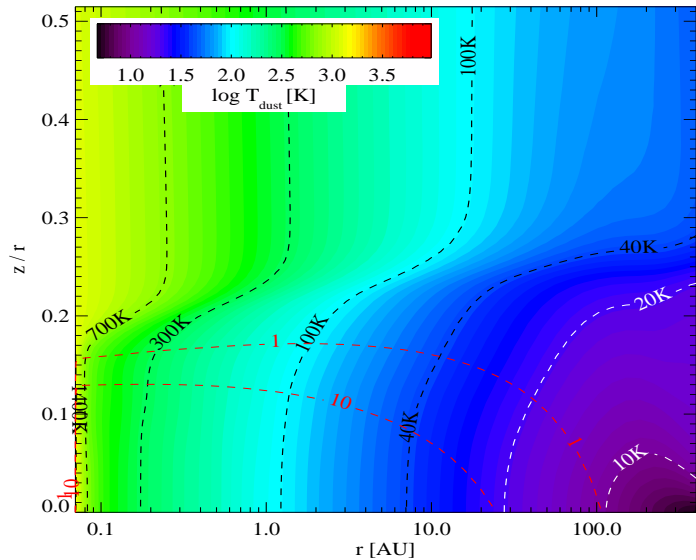
$F_{1.3 \text{ mm}}=0.014 \text{ Jy}$, $\alpha_{\text{SED}}=1.65$

- **dust settling** moves the grains to the cold midplane, where almost no photons are going
- **dust settling** enhances the shadowing effect, and vertical T_{dust} -contrast
- **dust settling** changes the fraction between small and large grain emission

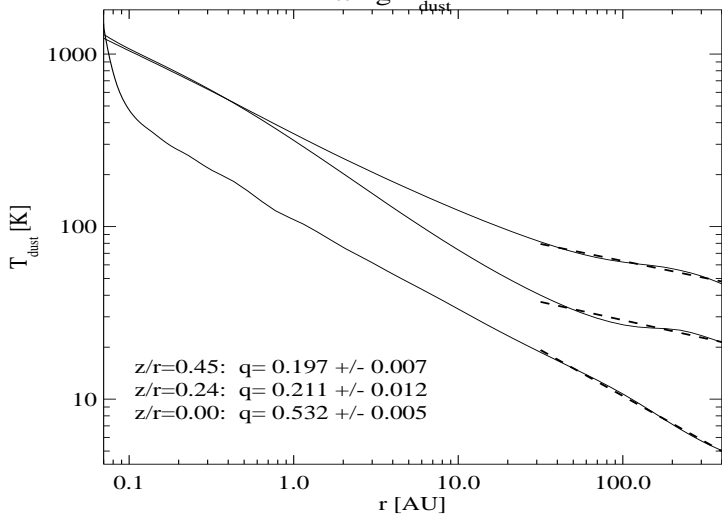
Summary

- **mm-sized particles**: A size distribution up to mm-sized particles is the most obvious explanation for a **flat mm-opacity slope**.
- **conducting materials**: Dust emission at (sub-mm) wavelengths is **dominated by impurities of conducting materials**.
- **irregular shape**: If these impurities have strongly irregular shapes, the mm-opacity is **flat and very strong**, even for small particles
- **Disk shape** (in particular dust settling, also flaring) is at least as **important for the SED mm-slope** as the dust opacity-slope
- **Strongly settled disks** are cold & faint, with a flat SED mm-slope
- **dust mass**: Observing the **mm-flux** in combination with the **SED mm-slope** can improve M_{dust} -determination

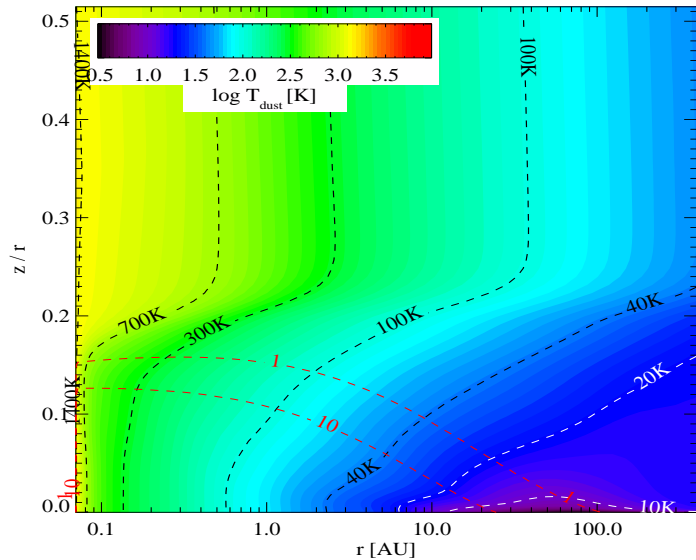
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