Understanding Planet Formation: Initial Disk Distribution



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Effects of Disk Density Profile on Planet Orbital Distribution



What do we expect?

How do we check?

Steeper Density Slope

Vary Density Slope $\Sigma_g \propto f_g r_{-}^{p_g} \exp[-r^{2+p_g}]$

Power Law Index	Migration On	Migration Off
-0.5	1.2e-231	1.4e-232
-1.0	1.4e-178	1.4e-232
-1.5	6.6e-156	1.4e-232
-2.0	1.1e-171	1.4e-232
-2.5	7.0e-182	1.4e-232

Increase in # of Closer Planets

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Method-Specific Comparisons:



surface density = C $r^{-1.5}$; limited migration on

What do we expect?

Larger Scaling Factor (Total Disk Mass)

More large, close-in planets

How do we check?

Vary Normalization Constant

$$\Sigma_g \propto f_g r^{p_g} \exp[-r^{2+p_g}]$$

Scaling Factor f _g	Migration On	Migration Off
1.0	3.4e-158	9.7e-236
5.0	1.8e-306	9.7e-236
10.0	0.0	9.7e-236
$* p_g = 1.5$		

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Method-Specific Comparisons:



MMSN disk; migration on full

Conclusions

Interesting way to see how the different physical processes interact with each other . . .

Some trends:

- Steeper disk slope -> more close-in planets
- Steeper disk slope -> more small planets
- Higher disk mass, no migration -> fewer small planets
- Higher disk mass, with migration -> lack of Jupiters

None of these match observations very well, especially super-Earth population . . . so lots of work for all of us to do!!

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