

## AST 300B Radiation & Matter



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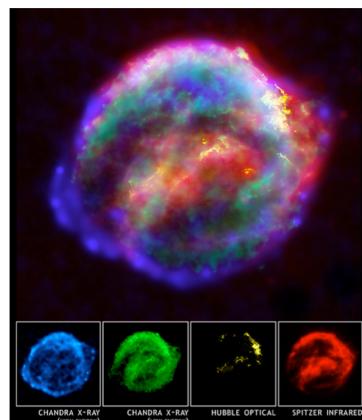
### ISM is *Dynamic*

- ISM is far from thermodynamic equilibrium
- Non-equilibrium state maintained by input of “free energy”
  - UV radiation from stars
  - kinetic energy injection from Supernovae
- ISM exists in “Phases”

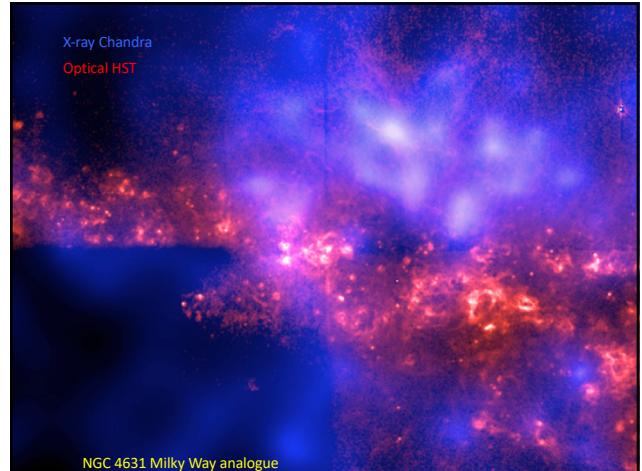
### HIM: Hot Ionized Medium

- $T > 10^{5.5}$  K       $n_H \sim 0.004 \text{ cm}^{-3}$        $f_V \sim 0.5$  ?
- Shock heated & Collisionally ionized
- Cooling via:
  - Adiabatic expansion
  - X-ray emission
- Observed by:
  - UV and X-ray emission
  - Radio synchrotron

### HIM: Hot Ionized Medium



Example : NGC 4631



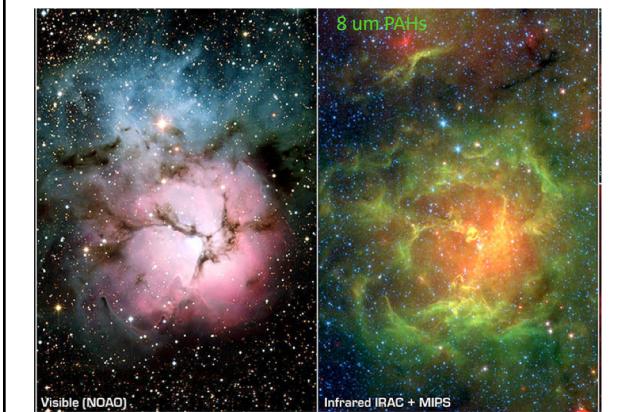
### WIM : Warm Ionized Medium

- $T > 10^4 \text{ K}$     $n_H \sim 0.3 - 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$     $f_V \sim 0.1$
- Photoelectric heating (H,He) and photoionized
- Cooling via:
  - Optical line emission
  - Free-free emission
  - Fine structure line emission
- Observed by:
  - Optical line emission
  - Thermal radio continuum

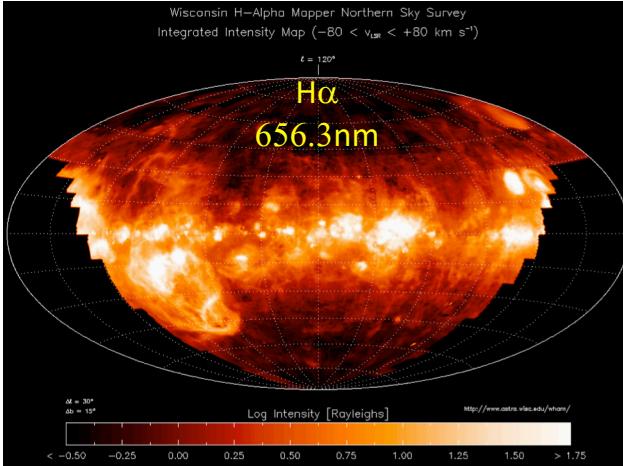
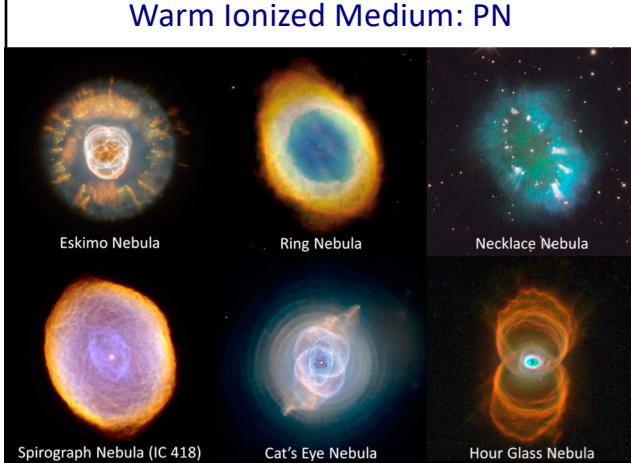
Warm Ionized Medium: HII Regions



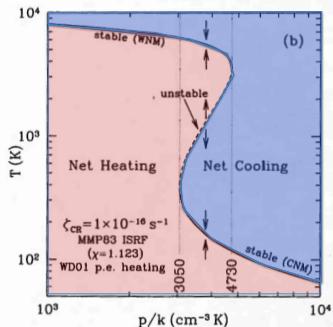
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Warm Ionized Medium: PN



## HI is 2 Phase Medium – WNM/CNM

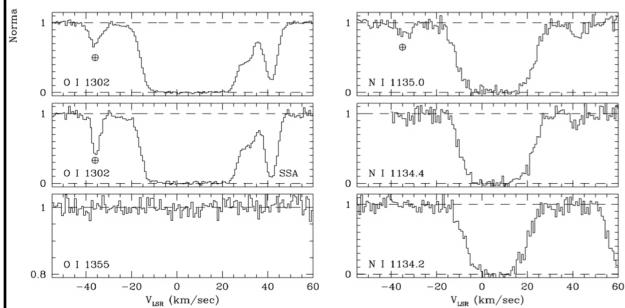


**Figure 30.2** (a) Steady state temperature  $T$  as a function of density  $n_H$ , for gas heated by cosmic rays and photoelectric heating by dust grains. Two lines of constant  $n_H T$  are shown. (b) Steady state temperature  $T$  as a function of thermal pressure  $p$ . For  $3200 \lesssim p/k \lesssim 4400 \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ K}$  there are three possible equilibria – a high- $T$  WNM solution, a low- $T$  CNM solution, and an intermediate temperature equilibrium that is thermally unstable. *Draine Physics of the ISM and IGM*

## WNM: Warm Neutral Medium

- $T \sim 5000 \text{ K}$     $n_H \sim 0.6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$     $f_V \sim 0.4$
- Photoelectric heating (dust) and ionized by starlight & cosmic rays
- Cooling via:
  - Optical line emission
  - Fine structure line emission
- Observed by:
  - HI 21 cm emission & absorption
  - Optical, UV absorption lines

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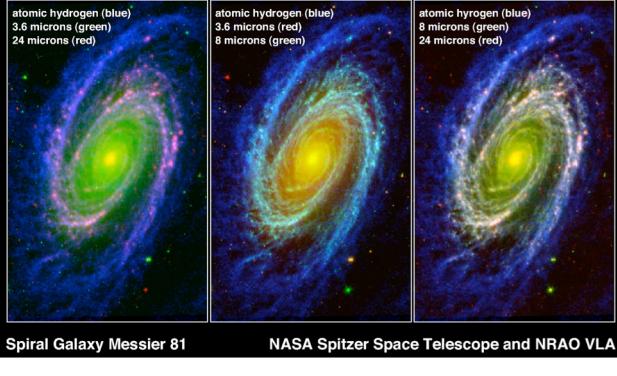


Howk et al. 1999 ApJ, 525, 253

## CNM: Cold Neutral Medium – Cool HI

- $T \sim 100 \text{ K}$     $n_H \sim 30 \text{ cm}^{-3}$     $f_V \sim 0.01$
- Photoelectric heating (dust) and ionized by starlight & cosmic rays
- Cooling via:
  - Fine structure line emission
- Observed by:
  - HI 21 cm emission & absorption
  - Optical, UV absorption lines

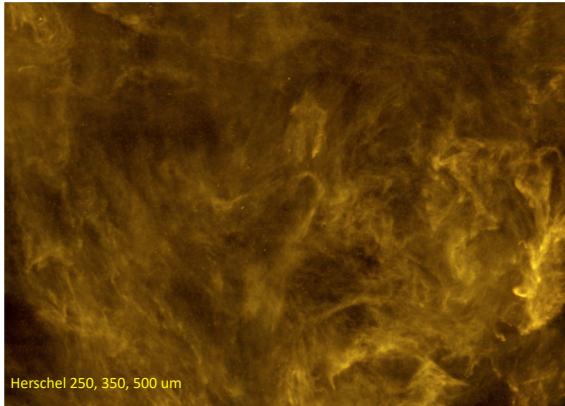
### CNM: Cold Neutral Medium – Cool HI



### CNM: Cold Neutral Medium – Diffuse H<sub>2</sub>

- $T \sim 50 \text{ K}$     $n_{\text{H}} \sim 100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$     $f_{\text{v}} \sim 0.001$
- Photoelectric heating (dust) and ionized by starlight & cosmic rays
- Cooling via:
  - Fine structure line emission
- Observed by:
  - HI 21 cm emission & absorption
  - CO emission
  - Optical, UV absorption lines

### Polaris Flare (Diffuse Cloud Complex)

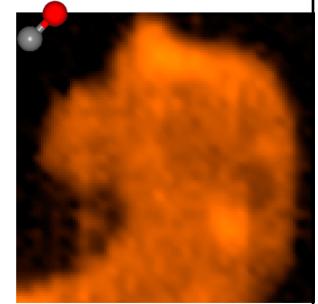


### Carbon Monoxide Traces Molecular Clouds

Optical



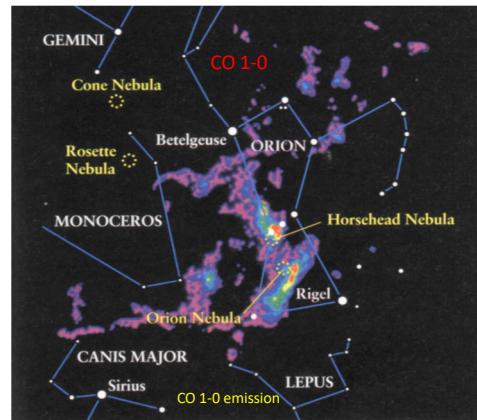
CO J=3-2 345 GHz



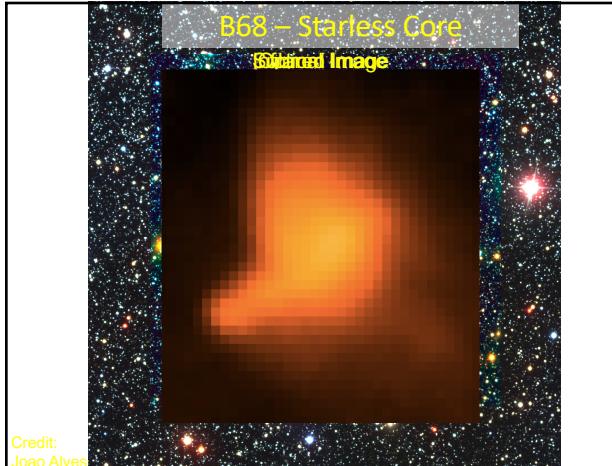
## CNM: Cold Neutral Medium – Dense H<sub>2</sub>

- $T \sim 10\text{-}50 \text{ K}$     $n_{\text{H}} \sim 10^3 \text{ - } 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$     $f_{\text{v}} \sim 10^{-4}$
- Photoelectric heating (dust) and ionized and heated by cosmic rays
- Cooling via:
  - CO line emission
  - CI fine structure line emission
- Observed by:
  - CO emission
  - Dust thermal infrared emission

## Orion ~ 440 pc – Nearest High Mass SFR



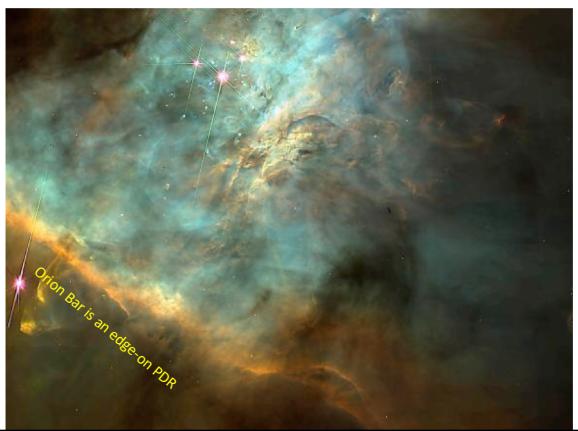
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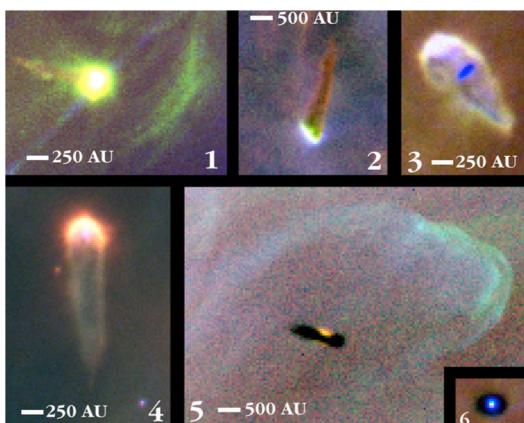
CNM meet WIM



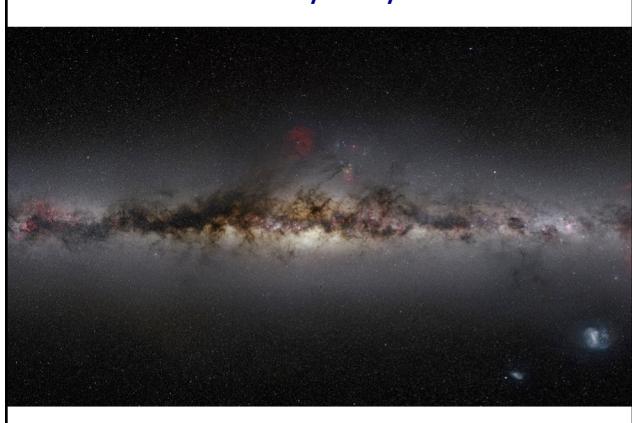
PDR: PhotoDissociation Region



CNM meet WIM – Orion Proplyds (Disks)



Milky Way



## Milky Way

- Total mass within 15 kpc  $10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}$ 
  - $5 \times 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$  Stars
  - $5 \times 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$  Dark Matter
  - $7 \times 10^9 M_{\text{sun}}$  ISM Gas
- Hydrogen In form:
  - 60% H atoms
  - 20% H<sub>2</sub> molecules
  - 20% ionized

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## ISM Energy Densities

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**Table 1.5** Energy Densities in the Local ISM

| Component  | $u(\text{eV cm}^{-3})$ | Note |
|--|------------------------|------|
| Cosmic microwave background ( $T_{\text{CMB}} = 2.725 \text{ K}$ ) | 0.265                  | a    |
| Far-infrared radiation from dust                                   | 0.31                   | b    |
| Starlight ( $\hbar\nu < 13.6 \text{ eV}$ )                         | 0.54                   | c    |
| Thermal kinetic energy $(3/2)nkT$                                  | 0.49                   | d    |
| Turbulent kinetic energy $(1/2)\rho v^2$                           | 0.22                   | e    |
| Magnetic energy $B^2/8\pi$   | 0.89                   | f    |
| Cosmic rays  | 1.39                   | g    |

a Fixsen & Mather (2002).

b Chapter 12.

c Chapter 12.

d For  $nT = 3800 \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ K}$  (see §17.7).

e For  $n_{\text{H}} = 30 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $v = 1 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ , or  $\langle n_{\text{H}} \rangle = 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ,  $\langle v^2 \rangle^{1/2} = 5.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ .

f For median  $B_{\text{tot}} \approx 6.0 \mu\text{G}$  (Heiles & Crutcher 2005).

g For cosmic ray spectrum X3 in Fig. 13.5.

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