Diffuse Interstellar Bands: Cosmic Shadow of Interstellar Molecules

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Diffuse interstellar bands (DIBs)

 DIBs: Absorption features from interstellar medium detected in the spectra of background stars. DIBs are considered to originate from gas-phase carbonaceous molecules.
 Sarre et al. 08

Tielens 2014



Over 500 DIBs mainly in optical wavelength range. *Hobbs et al. 08, 09*



Cosmic fullerenes - The largest ISM molecule -



- Two main bands at λ=9577, 9632Å
- Only DIBs whose carrier is identified. (Identified in 2015.)



Foing et al. 94, 97 Campbell et al. 15

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♦ Fullerene MIR emission

- C₆₀, C₇₀, C₆₀⁺
- Detected in various type objects (PNe, YSO, post-AGB, ISM)





Cami et al. 10 Berne et al. 13



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NIR DIB survey with WINERED **Advantages of WINERED for DIB study** \diamond High sensitivity \rightarrow Weak DIBs can be detected. \diamond Covering 0.9-1.35 µm range \rightarrow Many ISM features: all C₆₀⁺ bands, the strongest NIR DIB, many DIBs, C₂ and CN bands \rightarrow High resolution (R=28,000 or 68,000) Ikeda et al. 16



Today's talk



Comparison with laboratory spectra

◆PAHs

0.08

0.06

0.04

0.02

0.00

Anior

Band

8000

10000

8000

6000

4000

9000

12000

calc.: Ruiterkamp et al. 05 exp.: Gredel et al. 11, Salama et al. 11, Mattioda et al. 05 ◆Fullerenes



calc. Cation 8 exp. 4 Arbitrary unit calc. Anion 8 exp. 4 0 calc. Neutral 8 exp. 4 n DIB EW (mÅ) 200 100 2000 4000 10000 12000 14000 18000 6000 8000 16000 Wavelength (Å) 0.7 0.8 0.9 1 1.1 0.12 Benzo[k]fluoranthene 12,13-o-phenylene-3,4;5,6;7,8-tribenzoperopyrene 0.210 0.10

C20H12

14000

12000

10000

0.1



C₆₀⁻: *Tomita et al. 2005*



DIBs correlations



NIR DIB "family"

- 10780, 10792, 11797, 12623, 13175
- r > 0.95
- → Similar molecules? (Perhaps, same?)

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DIB correlations

Correlation of NIR DIBs with DIBs 5780, 5797

- NIR DIB family correlates well with 5780.
- Cation molecules?





5797/5780

C₆₀⁺ DIBs



C₆₀⁺ DIBs in 0.92-0.96 μm

- **λ9577**: Strong
- λ9633: Strong, but overlapped by a stellar MgII absorption line.
- Three other DIBs: weak

These DIBs are contaminated with many strong telluric absorption lines.

• Low humidity and precise telluric correction are crucial.



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DIBs in QSOALS

DIBs have been detected in two QSOALSs
 (z = 0.524 and 0.1556).

Evolution of organic molecules
 in a cosmological time scale.

Test for DIB "families".
DIBs diagnostics (e.g. 5797/5780).

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Lawton+08

Junkkarinen+04, Ellison+06,



Velocity (km s⁻¹)

Strategy for detecting DIBs in QSOALS

DLAs with high N(HI), high Z and high E(B-V).

Best tracer: Call systems?

- Sub class of DLAs
- Call systems trace metal-rich, dusty, neutral gas clouds.
- Nal system?

♦Best DIB: λ4428

- Strongest DIB
- Y, J bands: 1<z<2

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Ca II system statistics (SDSS)



Fullerene evolution

DIB λ5780 in z=0.524 DLA is three times weaker than that of HD183143.

$Oldsymbol{\leftarrow} C_{60}^+$ DIB λ9577 of HD183143:

- Depth: 9% → 3%
- EW: 0.3Å → 0.1Å

Expected in z=0.524 DLA

\diamond S/N > 100 would be necessary.

- Y, J bands: 0 < z < 0.4
- H band: 0.5 < z < 0.8



Theme for 30-m class?

Summary

DIBs: <u>cosmic shadow</u> of interstellar molecules

NIR DIBs survey w/ WINERED

- Over 50 DIBs were newly detected.
- NIR DIB family
- Compared with the spectra obtained with laboratory experiments (PAHs, fullerenes)
- C₆₀⁺ DIBs (observation is on-going)

♦ DIBs in QSOALS

- Evolution of organic molecules in a cosmological time scale.
- Call systems

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