Planet-disk interaction and orbital evolution

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Abstract  As planets form and grow within gaseous protoplanetary disks, the mutual gravitational interaction between the disk and planet leads to the exchange of angular momentum, and migration of the planet. We review current understanding of disk-planet interactions, focussing in particular on physical processes that determine the speed and direction of migration. We describe the evolution of low mass planets embedded in protoplanetary disks, and examine the influence of Lindblad and corotation torques as a function of the disk properties. The role of the disk in causing the evolution of eccentricities and inclinations is also discussed. We describe the rapid migration of intermediate mass planets that may occur as a runaway process, and examine the transition to gap formation and slower migration driven by the viscous evolution of the disk for massive planets. The roles and influence of disk self-gravity and magnetohydrodynamic turbulence are discussed in detail, as a function of the planet mass, as is the evolution of multiple planet systems. Finally, we address the question of how well global models of planetary formation that include migration are able to match observations of extrasolar planets.

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1 Introduction

The discovery of numerous extrasolar planets with diverse orbital configurations has motivated a dramatic increase in research aimed at understanding their formation and evolution. Short-period giant planets ('hot Jupiters') such as 51 Peg b, the first to be discovered around a Sun-like star (Mayor & Queloz 1995), are difficult to explain by in situ formation models, and suggest that large-scale migration has taken place. Additional evidence for migration is provided by observations of giant planets in mean motion resonance, such as the two giant planets orbiting the M-type star GJ 876 (Marcy et al. 2001), or the two Saturn-mass planets in the Kepler-9 system (Holman et al. 2010). Recent discoveries of resonant or near-resonant multiple systems of transiting planets by the Kepler mission, such as the Kepler-11 system (Lissauer et al. 2011), point to an origin in a highly flattened and dissipative environment – namely a protostellar/protoplanetary disk. This review examines our current understanding of how planets interact gravitationally with the disks within which they form.

The ‘nebula hypothesis’ developed in the 18th century by Kant and Laplace, which suggests that our Solar System planets formed within a flattened and rotating disk of gas and dust (the ‘solar nebula’), still forms the conceptual basis of modern theories of planet formation, and receives continuing support from observations of disks around young stars. The structure and dynamics of these disks are clearly relevant for understanding planet formation, and we refer the interested reader to three recent reviews that discuss the theory and observations of protoplanetary disks (Dullemond & Monnier 2010; Armitage 2011; Williams & Cieza 2011).

There are two basic pictures of how planets form in a disk. In a simplified version of the core accretion model, growth proceeds through a multi-stage process that begins with the collisional growth of submicron-sized dust grains, proceeds through the formation of kilometre-sized planetesimals, and leads eventually to the growth of terrestrial planets in the inner regions of the disk. In the outer regions, where volatiles condense into ices, larger protoplanetary cores form that may accrete massive gaseous envelopes to become gas giant planets. Observations suggest disk lifetimes are typically a few Myr, so this process must be largely completed on this timescale. The alternative gravitational instability model of planet formation envisages fragmentation of a protoplanetary disk into gaseous clumps with planetary masses during the earliest stages of disk formation and evolution, when the disk mass is comparable to that of the central star. Fragmentation is likely to occur at large distances in the disk (> 50 AU), where the cooling time is short. In either of the above scenarios, forming planets must inevitably undergo gravitational interactions with their nascent disks, leading to angular momentum and energy exchange and orbital evolution.

Extrasolar planets may provide motivation for current research into disk-planet interactions, but the theoretical groundwork was laid long before the discovery
of 51 Peg b (Goldreich & Tremaine 1979, 1980; Lin & Papaloizou 1979). It was apparent from these early studies that low-mass planets embedded in gaseous disks would undergo rapid inward migration (type I migration), with Earth-mass protoplanets reaching the central star within $\sim 10^5$ yr. Understanding how this rapid inward migration, and the associated loss of protoplanets into the star, can be prevented remains an area of active research. It has also been long recognised that giant planets will form gaps in their disks, and migrate inward on their viscous evolution times (typically $10^5$ yr) (Lin & Papaloizou 1986a). Planetary migration is now usually divided into three categories: type I - migration of low-mass embedded planets; type II - migration and gap formation by massive planets; type III - rapid migration of intermediate (Saturn) mass planets in relatively massive disks. We review each of these migration modes, and discuss recent improvements in our understanding of the influence of disk processes such as turbulence, self-gravity and thermodynamic evolution. We also discuss briefly the evolution of orbital eccentricity and inclination driven by interaction with the disk.

Although disk-planet interactions certainly play a role in driving the orbital evolution of forming planets, there are other mechanisms for inducing orbital changes. Planet-planet gravitational scattering is probably the best contender for explaining the large eccentricities of extrasolar planets (Terquem & Papaloizou 2002; Juric & Tremaine 2008; Chatterjee et al. 2008), and the Kozai mechanism drives high eccentricities through secular interaction with a highly inclined companion (Wu & Murray 2003). Combined with tidal interaction with the central star, these processes can generate short-period planets on circular orbits (Fabrycky & Tremaine 2007), and observations suggest that these processes contribute significantly to the dynamical evolution of planets. Interaction with a remnant planetesimal disk, such as the Kuiper belt in our Solar System, has also been shown to drive migration (Hahn & Malhotra 1999; Tsiganis et al. 2005). In this review, however, we focus on the role of the gaseous disk in driving orbital evolution, with an emphasis on the basic physical mechanisms, recent theoretical and computational developments, and applications to theories of planet formation.

The important topic of planet-disk interaction has been reviewed previously by a number of researchers. Informative reviews that have appeared during the past few years include Papaloizou et al. (2007), Masset (2008), Chambers (2009), Lubow & Ida (2010) and Baruteau & Masset (2012). In light of these existing reviews we shall focus here on the more recent developments and give guidance to future issues.

2 Planets in viscous laminar disks

It is widely believed that accretion in protoplanetary disks is driven by magneto-hydrodynamical (MHD) turbulence. However, due to the numerical complexity of solving the full time-dependent MHD equations, the standard means of simulating evolutionary processes in the disk is still through a simplified approach. Here, the turbulence is modeled by assuming that its effects can be described by using the standard Navier-Stokes equations with a Reynolds-ansatz for the viscous stress tensor. The viscosity parameter, often parameterized by the dimensionless number $\alpha$ (Shakura & Sunyaev 1973), is then chosen to obtain a
good match with the observationally determined evolution time or mass accretion rate of the disk. In this section we deal with the dynamics of embedded planets in such viscously evolving disks. Below, in Sect. 3, we focus on planets embedded in magnetised, turbulent disks.

Figure 1: Disk surface density and flow structure for a planet with mass ratio $q = 9 \cdot 10^{-5}$ (30 $M_{\oplus}$ for a solar-mass star) embedded in a constant surface density disk (normalised to unity). **Left:** The density structure 5 orbits after the planet’s insertion into the disk. Clearly visible are the spiral arms launched by the planet, the inner leading and the outer trailing. **Right:** Topology of the flow field, where the streamlines refer to the corotating frame. The disk is split into an inner disk with circulating streamlines (moving counterclockwise), a horseshoe-shaped corotation region (within the thick lines), and an outer disk of circulating material (moving clockwise). Courtesy P. Armitage.

A young planet embedded in a disk disturbs the disk dynamically in two ways as shown in Fig. 1. First it divides it into an inner and outer disk separated by a coorbital region (right panel). Second, the radially propagating density waves generated by the planet are sheared out by the Keplerian differential rotation, creating spiral waves (left panel). The density structure induced by the planet depends (at least for locally isothermal disks where the temperature scales inversely with radius) only on the mass ratio $q = m_p/M_*$, where $m_p$ denotes the planet mass and $M_*$ the stellar mass. Hence, plots like those shown in Fig. 1 are often scale free and spatial units are not stated. The perturbed density structures in the coorbital region and the spiral arms are not symmetric with respect to the line connecting the star and the planet and gravitational torques are exerted on the planet, causing a change in its orbital elements.

Let us briefly consider the effect of the spiral arms that generate the so-called Lindblad torques (left panel in Fig. 1). The inner (leading) spiral pulls the planet forward, i.e. generates a positive torque, which leads to a gain in angular momentum of the planet and outward migration. Conversely the outer spiral pulls the planet back and drives inward migration. Hence, the effects of the inner and outer disk tend to partially cancel out, and the net effect is the residual between the two sides. Because the effects of outer and inner disk are comparable in magnitude the speed and direction of migration can depend delicately on the physical
details of the disk. The torque on the planet can be calculated approximately by looking at the angular momentum exchange of individual particles passing by the planet: This is the so-called impulse approximation [for details see Lin & Papaloizou (1979) and Lubow & Ida (2010)]. However, a full fluid dynamical approach leads to deeper insight and to more reliable results. We follow this latter approach and present an outline of how the torques are evaluated below.

2.1 Low-mass planets in isothermal disks

For low-mass embedded planets that induce only small perturbations in the disk, the angular momentum exchange between disk and planet can be determined from a linear analysis of the perturbed flow. The unperturbed disk is assumed to be axisymmetric, and in a state of Keplerian rotation with angular velocity \( \Omega(r) = \sqrt{GM_*/r^3} \) around the star, and with vanishing radial velocity. For now, we consider a planet on a circular orbit. Its gravitational potential, \( \psi_p \), is periodic in azimuth and can be expanded in a Fourier series:

\[
\psi_p(r, \varphi, t) \equiv -\frac{Gm_p}{|\vec{r}_p(t) - \vec{r}|} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \psi_m(r) \cos\{m[\varphi - \varphi_p(t)]\},
\]

where \( \varphi_p = \Omega_p t \) is the azimuth angle of the planet, moving with angular velocity \( \Omega_p \). \( \psi_m(r) \) denotes the potential coefficient for each azimuthal mode number \( m \).

Each potential component rotates with pattern-speed \( \Omega_p \). An explicit expression for \( \psi_m(r) \) is given, for example, by Meyer-Vernet & Sicardy (1987). The above decomposition applies to a flat two-dimensional disk and can be generalized for a planet on an eccentric orbit (see Sect. 2.5 below). The total torque exerted by the disk on the planet can be calculated according to

\[
\Gamma_{\text{tot}} = -\int_{\text{disk}} \Sigma(\vec{r} \times \vec{F}) \, df = \int_{\text{disk}} \Sigma(\vec{r} \times \nabla \psi_p) \, df = \int_{\text{disk}} \Sigma \frac{\partial \psi_p}{\partial \varphi} \, df,
\]

where \( \Sigma \) denotes the surface density of the disk, \( \vec{F} \) is the specific force (acceleration) acting on a disk element, and \( df \) is a surface element. Whenever the frequency of an individual potential component as seen by a fluid particle in the disk, \( \omega = m(\Omega(r) - \Omega_p) \), matches a natural oscillation frequency, we have a resonant condition inducing a strong disk response. Torques are therefore calculated at these resonant locations.

Neglecting pressure and self-gravity, resonances occur for \( m(\Omega(r) - \Omega_p) = 0 \) or \( \pm \kappa(r) \), where \( \kappa(r) \) is the epicyclic frequency in the disk, i.e. the oscillation frequency for a particle in the disk subject to a small radial displacement. The first case refers to the corotation resonance where the local disk and planet orbital speeds are equal, \( \Omega(r) = \Omega_p \). The corotation region is indicated in the right panel of Fig. 1 within the thick line. The second resonance condition applies to Lindblad resonances where the plus sign, i.e. \( \Omega(r) = \Omega_p + \kappa(r)/m \), refers to inner Lindblad resonances (interior to \( r_p \)), where the disk rotates faster than the planet. The minus sign refers to the outer Lindblad resonances, i.e. \( \Omega(r) = \Omega_p - \kappa(r)/m \) (exterior to \( r_p \)) and the corotation region in Fig. 1. The radial locations of the Lindblad resonances, \( r_L \), are obtained by noting that for Keplerian disks, \( \kappa = \Omega \), which leads to

\[
r_L = \left(\frac{m}{m\pm 1}\right)^{2/3} r_p.
\]
Under conditions where pressure in a disk can not be neglected, the Lindblad resonance condition is modified to become

\[ m(\Omega(r) - \Omega_p) = \sqrt{\kappa^2(r)(1 + \xi^2)}. \]  

(4)

Here, \( \xi = mc_s/(\Omega r) \) where \( c_s \) is the isothermal sound speed in the disk. For \( m \rightarrow \infty \), and denoting \( c_s = H\Omega \) where \( H \) is the local disk scale height (see eq. (10) below), the Lindblad resonance positions are shifted away from those given by eq. (3) to become

\[ r_L = r_p + \frac{2H}{3}, \]

(5)

showing that the Lindblad resonances for \( m \gg 1 \) pile-up at a distance equal to \( 2H/3 \) from the planet. This prevents divergence of the torque experienced by the planet from the disk, giving rise to the phenomenon known as the torque cut-off \cite{GoldreichTremaine1980, Artymowicz1993b}.

2.1.1 Lindblad Torques

Spiral density waves are excited by the planet at Lindblad resonances, and carry an angular momentum flux as they propagate away from the resonance into the disk. The combined effect of both spirals determines the sign and magnitude of the total torque. For circular orbits the total torque exerted on the planet is a direct measure of the speed and direction of migration, with positive torques driving outward migration and negative ones driving migration inward.

The Lindblad torque acting on the planet due to the disk response to the \( m \)th component of the planet potential is

\[ \Gamma_L^m = \text{sign}(\Omega - \Omega_p) \frac{\pi^2 \Sigma}{3\Omega \Omega_p} \left( r \frac{d\psi_m}{dr} + \frac{2m^2(\Omega - \Omega_p)}{\Omega} \psi_m \right)^2, \]

(6)

which has to be evaluated at the resonance location \( r = r_L \). Details of the derivation of this, or equivalent expressions, can be found for example in \cite{GoldreichTremaine1979, Ward1986} and \cite{MeyerVernetSicardy1987}. In principle a correction factor of \( \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \xi^2(1 + 4\xi^2)}} \right]^{-1} \) should be applied to eq. (6) to account for the shift in resonances described by eq. (4) \cite{Artymowicz1993b, Ward1997}. Equation (6) is for a single Fourier component of \( \psi_p \) acting at an inner or outer Lindblad resonance. The total torque acting on the planet, usually referred to as the differential Lindblad torque, is then a sum over contributions for \( 1 \leq m \leq \infty \) at the inner and outer Lindblad resonances. For most disk models the differential Lindblad torque is negative, driving inward migration of the planet because the outer Lindblad resonances lie closer to the planet than the inner resonances. In particular, gas pressure in the disk causes the angular velocity to be slightly sub-Keplerian, shifting the locations of both inner and outer Lindblad resonances inward \cite{Ward1997, Papaloizou2007}.

We comment briefly that the influence of disk self–gravity on type I migration of low-mass embedded planets has been considered by \cite{PierensHure2005} and \cite{BaruteauMasset2008b}. Their studies indicate that a modest shift of Lindblad resonance locations arises when both the disk and planet orbit self-consistently in the gravitational field of the star and disk, leading to a slowing of type I migration by a factor of \( \sim 2 \) in a disk with mass equal to 3 times the minimum mass solar nebula model (MMSN) \cite{Hayashi1981}.
2.1.2 Corotation torques  Material within the horseshoe region (inside the thick line in Fig.1) has (on average) the same speed as the planet and is corotating with it. In the limit of small planet masses (a few $M_⊕$ at 5 AU) one can apply linear theory and calculate the corresponding corotation torque. This was first estimated in the context of planet-satellite interaction by Goldreich & Tremaine (1979) with the result that

$$\Gamma_C = \frac{m \pi^2}{2} \frac{\psi_m}{r_d\Omega/\omega} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{\Sigma}{B} \right),$$  \hspace{1cm} (7)

which has to be evaluated at the corotation radius, $r = r_C$. Here, $B = \kappa^2/(4\Omega)$ denotes the second Oort constant. Physically, $B$ is half the $z$-component of the flow vorticity, $(\nabla \times \vec{v})_z$ (i.e. $2B/\Sigma$ is the specific vorticity, sometimes called the vortensity).

2.1.3 Type I migration in isothermal disks  Low-mass planets do not alter the global disk structure significantly, and in particular they do not open gaps. Hence, the combined effect of Lindblad and corotation torques can be calculated for small planetary masses using the above linear analysis (we discuss the validity of this approach below). The outcome of such linear studies has been termed type I migration. Due to the complexity of considering heat generation and transport in disks these linear studies have relied nearly exclusively on simplified, isothermal disk models, where the disk has a fixed radial temperature structure, $T(r)$. If $dT/dr \neq 0$, then the models have been termed locally isothermal, where the temperature varies radially but is constant in the vertical direction if one considers the three-dimensional (3D) structure. Vertical hydrostatic equilibrium leads to a Gaussian density stratification. Linear calculations have been performed for both 2D (flat disks using $r\phi$-coordinates) and full 3D configurations, but in 2D one must account for the vertical distribution of disk matter by using an effective smoothing of the gravitational potential near the planet (aside from the necessity when simulating disk-planet interaction).

Comprehensive 3D linear calculations have been presented by Tanaka, Takeuchi & Ward (2002), and for strictly isothermal disks with $T = \text{constant}$, they yield the following expressions for the differential Lindblad and corotation torques acting on the planet:

$$\Gamma_{\text{lin}}^L = -(2.34 - 0.1\beta\Sigma) \Gamma_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{\text{lin}}^C = 0.64 \left( \frac{3}{2} - \beta\Sigma \right) \Gamma_0.$$ \hspace{1cm} (8)

Here, the surface density varies with radius as $\Sigma(r) \propto r^{-\beta\Sigma}$, and the torque normalization is given by

$$\Gamma_0 = \left( \frac{m_p}{M_\star} \right)^2 \left( \frac{H}{r_p} \right)^{-2} \Sigma_p r_p^4 \Omega_p^2,$$ \hspace{1cm} (9)

which must be evaluated at the planet location, as indicated by the index $p$. The total torque, $\Gamma_{\text{lin}}^{\text{tot}}$, is given as the sum of the differential Lindblad and corotation torques, $\Gamma_{\text{lin}}^{\text{tot}} = \Gamma_{\text{lin}}^L + \Gamma_{\text{lin}}^C$ (Ward, 1986). The magnitude of the type I torque scales as the inverse square of the disk aspect ratio (or inversely with the temperature, see eq. 10), quadratically with the planet mass, and linearly with the disk mass. The quadratic $m_p$ dependence arises because density perturbations scale with $m_p$ and another factor of $m_p$ comes in to play when evaluating the force or torque on the planet.
We define the effective disk thickness, \(H\), in this review as

\[
H(r) = c_s^2 \Omega^{-1},
\]

where \(c_s^2 = P/\Sigma\) is the local *isothermal* sound speed, and \(P\) is the vertically integrated pressure for 2D disk models. For adiabatic disks the sound speed is given by \(\sqrt{\gamma} c_s\) with adiabatic exponent \(\gamma\). An interesting feature of the corotation torque is that it vanishes for the popular MMSN protoplanetary disk model. The surface density in the MMSN scales as \(\Sigma \propto r^{-3/2}\) giving \(\Gamma^C = 0\), such that only the differential Lindblad torque remains.

### 2.1.4 Numerical simulations of type I migration

The linear studies have been supplemented in recent years by many numerical studies in two and three dimensions. Here, the disk is modeled as a viscous gas and the full non-linear Navier-Stokes equations are solved, typically (but not exclusively) using grid-based hydrodynamic codes. Because there are a number of codes on the market, a detailed code comparison project was conducted a few years ago to verify the convergence of the results (de Val-Borro et al., 2006). Because the physical size of an embedded planet can be much smaller than the achievable grid resolution, it is typically treated as a point mass. In this case, the gravitational potential has to be smoothed (over a couple of grid-cells) to avoid singularities. Mostly, the following form is used:

\[
\psi_p = -\frac{GM_* m_p}{(s^2 + \epsilon^2)^{1/2}},
\]

where \(s\) is the distance from the planet, and \(\epsilon\) the smoothing length. As mentioned above, in 2D the neglect of the vertical dimension requires a larger value of \(\epsilon \approx H/2\).

Numerical improvements have led to increased computational efficiency and accuracy that allow longer and higher resolution simulations to be performed. Worthy of mention are the *FARGO* method (Masset, 2000), which overcomes restrictions on the time-step due to the differentially rotating disk, and a conservative treatment of the Coriolis force (Kley, 1998). To increase spatial resolution around the planet, nested-grid structures have been employed successfully in 2D and 3D (D’Angelo, Henning & Kley, 2002; D’Angelo, Kley & Henning, 2003). The most recent 3D nested-grid hydrodynamic simulations of planet-disk interaction have been presented by D’Angelo & Lubow (2010) for *locally isothermal* disks. Their simulations give very good agreement with the 3D linear results, and the range of applicability of eq. (8) is extended by considering the influence of radial temperature gradients in the disk, such that \(T(r) = T_0 r^{-\beta_T}\). Their calculations yield the following form for the total (Lindblad and corotation) torque acting on planets with masses below about 10 \(M_\oplus\):

\[
\Gamma_{\text{tot}} = -(1.36 + 0.62\beta_T + 0.43\beta_T)\Gamma_0.
\]

The torques acting on the planet change its angular momentum \(J_p\) according to

\[
\frac{dJ_p}{dt} = \Gamma_{\text{tot}}.
\]

For circular orbits, \(J_p\) depends only on the planet’s distance \(a_p\) (semi-major axis) from the star through \(J_p = m_p \sqrt{GM_* a_p}\). Equation (13) can then be solved for
the rate of change in the semi-major axis, and one obtains the migration rate $a_p$ of the planet. The migration timescale, $\tau_{\text{mig}}$, is then

$$\tau_{\text{mig}} = a_p \frac{a_p}{\dot{a}_p} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{J_p}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}}. \quad (14)$$

In early studies (Goldreich & Tremaine, 1980) realised that the migration timescale can be very short. For an Earth-mass planet around a solar-mass star at 1 AU, we find for the MMSN ($\Sigma = 1700 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $H/r = 0.05$) $\tau_{\text{mig}} \approx 10^5 \text{ yr}$. For planetary cores of a few Earth-masses initially located at 5 AU, the migration timescale is shorter than the gas accretion time onto the core, which is typically a few Myr (Pollack et al., 1996). This realisation has posed a serious challenge for the theory of planet formation over recent decades, as we discuss in more detail in Sect. 6. Possible remedies that have been suggested for the problem of excessively rapid type I migration include: strong corotation torques operating in regions where there are steep positive surface density gradients (so-called ‘planet traps’) (Masset et al., 2006); reductions in the differential Lindblad torque in regions of sharp opacity transition (Menou & Goodman, 2004); magnetic resonances in disks with strong toroidal magnetic fields (Terquem, 2003); torque reversals for planets on eccentric orbits (Papaloizou & Larwood, 2000; Cresswell & Nelson, 2006); torque reductions from disk shadowing and illumination variations in the presence of a planet (Jang-Condell & Sasselov, 2005); stochastic migration induced by disk turbulence (Nelson & Papaloizou, 2004; Laughlin, Steinacker & Adams, 2004); and corotation torques in radiative disks (Paardekooper & Mellema, 2006b). We discuss some of these ideas in greater detail in the following sections.

2.1.5 The horseshoe drag

In the discussion of the corotation torque above, it was assumed that it can be estimated by linear analysis. This approach has been questioned recently by Paardekooper & Papaloizou (2008), who point out that the corotation torque is non-linear for all planet masses. The argument is based on an analysis of the so-called horseshoe drag (Ward, 1991), which is a description of the corotation torque based on horseshoe orbits (that do not exist in a linear theory). The right panel of Fig. 1 shows the motion of the gas in the frame corotating with the planet. Here, fluid elements approach the planet at the two ends of the horseshoe orbit and perform U-turns. They are periodically shifted from an orbit with a semi-major axis slightly larger than the planet’s to an orbit that is slightly smaller, and vice versa. Hence, at each U-turn there is an exchange of angular momentum between coorbital disk material and the planet. The total corotation torque is obtained by adding the contributions from each of the horseshoe U-turns. In the case of pressureless particles that do not interact, there is no net torque exerted on the planet because the particles follow the trajectories of the restricted three-body problem. To obtain a non-zero net torque, a persistent asymmetry between the two U-turns must exist. The strength of the asymmetry in the horseshoe region depends on the radial gradients of specific vortensity and entropy across it (Ward, 1991; Baruteau & Masset, 2008).

The expression for the horseshoe drag obtained by Ward (1991) is

$$\Gamma_{\text{HS}} = \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{3}{2} - \beta_{\Sigma} \right) x_k \Sigma_p \Omega_p^2. \quad (15)$$
Figure 2: Torque saturation: **Left:** Time evolution of the total torque acting on a low mass planet in a disk that has a constant surface density and very low viscosity. Shown are results for an adiabatic and a locally isothermal disk. At the start of the simulations, when the gas performs its first U-turn near the planet, the torques reach a maximum (fully unsaturated values). Then they drop to reach the final saturated values through a series of oscillations. The horizontal lines refer to the isothermal and adiabatic Lindblad torques (Paardekooper et al., 2010). **Right:** Final equilibrium torque acting on a 20 M$_{\oplus}$ planet embedded in a viscous disk for 2D radiative simulations. The viscosity is given by $\nu = \alpha c_s H$ with $\alpha = 4 \cdot 10^{-3}$. For small viscosity the torque is fully saturated and given by the Lindblad torque. Increasing the viscosity desaturates the corotation torque such that the total torque increases, whereas at very large $\alpha$ the viscosity perturbs the horseshoe region and the torque declines again.

The sensitivity to the geometry of the corotation region is indicated by the scaling of $\Gamma^{\text{HS}}$ with the $4^{\text{th}}$ power of the radial half-width of the horseshoe region, $x_s$ (Fig. 1 right panel). Comparing this to the expression for $\Gamma^{\text{C}}_{\text{lin}}$ in eq. (8), we can see immediately that the two expressions are not identical. The horseshoe half-width, $x_s$, is normally determined through an analysis of fluid streamlines in numerical simulations (Masset, 2002). A number of numerical studies (Masset, D’Angelo & Kley, 2006; Baruteau & Masset, 2008a; Paardekooper & Papaloizou, 2008) indicate that an appropriate form for $x_s$ (for 2D disks) is given by

$$x_s = C(\epsilon) a_p \sqrt{\frac{q}{h}},$$

where $C(\epsilon)$ is a factor of order unity and $\epsilon$ is the smoothing length given in eq. (11). We note that the relative scale height $h = H/r$ depends on the sound speed $c_s$ (see eq. 10), and hence the value of $x_s$ in adiabatic disks is smaller than in isothermal disks by a factor of $\gamma^{1/4}$. Using eq. (16) in eq. (8) and comparing with eq. (15) shows that $\Gamma^{\text{C}}_{\text{lin}}$ and $\Gamma^{\text{HS}}$ scale identically with physical parameters, and differ only by a constant factor. In general, the horseshoe drag is larger than the linear corotation torque, and therefore tends to be more effective in slowing down, or even reversing the inward migration of low mass planets.

### 2.1.6 Corotation torque saturation

As mentioned above, the corotation torque depends on radial gradients of specific vorticity and entropy across...
the corotation region. If viscosity or thermal diffusion are too small, the corresponding contributions to the corotation torque will saturate (Ward, 1992), which means that the torque strength can be greatly reduced or even vanish completely. Fluid elements at different radii within the corotating region have different horseshoe libration periods, and this leads to phase mixing and flattening of the original specific vorticity or entropy gradients. Viscosity acts to re-establish the specific vorticity gradient, so an appropriate level of viscosity acts to desaturate the vorticity-related corotation torque. Heat diffusion acts to re-establish the entropy gradient, so an appropriate level desaturates the entropy-related corotation torque. The horseshoe region contains only a finite amount of angular momentum that can be exchanged with the planet in the absence of viscosity (Balmforth & Korycansky, 2001). Therefore viscosity is always required to desaturate the corotation torque even if the vorticity-related torque is inactive (as it would be in a disk where $\Sigma = \Sigma_0 r^{-3/2}$, for example). In this case the role of viscosity is to exchange angular momentum between the horseshoe region and the rest of the disk.

The saturation process is shown in Fig. 2 (left panel) where the torque evolution for a 4.2-M$_{\oplus}$ planet embedded in a constant surface density disk with very low disk viscosity (here $\nu = 10^{-8} a_p^2 \Omega_p$) is shown for an isothermal and adiabatic simulation. Such a disk has a specific vorticity profile that scales as $r^{-3/2}$, so we expect a strong vorticity-related torque. Indeed, shortly after the start of the simulations, the gas close to the planet begins to follow horseshoe orbits and generates a strong positive horseshoe drag as described above. This is because the initial gradient in specific vorticity generates large asymmetries in the torques exerted at the two horseshoe U-turns, which are fully established after about 10-20 orbits. Later, after the material has completed approximately half a horseshoe libration, phase mixing begins to set in and the torque drops strongly. After a few oscillations the torque approaches a stationary state. The oscillations are due to the consecutive mixing of the coorbital material within the horseshoe region, and their period is roughly equal to the libration time of the material near the outer edges of the horseshoe region, which can be estimated by

$$\tau_{\text{lib}} = \frac{8\pi a_p}{3 \Omega_p x_s^2}.$$  \hfill (17)

In our case (with parameters $h = 0.05$, $q = 1.26 \times 10^{-5}$, and $C = 1$ in eq. 16), one finds an oscillation timescale of $\sim 85$ orbits for the isothermal and $\sim 100$ orbits for the adiabatic case, in good agreement with the simulations. In the final state, the corotation torque/horseshoe drag are fully saturated and only the differential Lindblad torque remains. As indicated by the torque expressions given above in eqs. (8) and (9), the isothermal Lindblad torque is a factor $\gamma$ stronger than the adiabatic one. The physical reason lies in the larger adiabatic sound speed (i.e. larger $H$), which causes wider spiral arms that are launched further from the planet and, hence, weaken the torques.

Desaturation of the corotation torque requires the action of viscosity, and the optimal level of desaturation occurs when the viscous diffusion time scale across the horseshoe region, $\tau_{\nu} \lesssim \tau_{\text{lib}}$ (Masset, 2001, 2002), where $\tau_{\nu} = x_s^2 / \nu$, and $\nu$ is the kinematic viscosity. Similar arguments apply to the desaturation of the entropy-related corotation torque, but the controlling parameter in that case is the thermal diffusion coefficient. The dependence of desaturation on the viscosity is shown in Fig. 2 (right panel), where it can be seen that the torque decreases (i.e.
saturates) as the viscosity gets smaller. In very viscous disks, when the viscous diffusion time becomes short and comparable to the time for the gas to undergo a horseshoe U-turn, the non-linear corotation torque starts to weaken (Fig. 2) as the viscosity effectively disrupts the horseshoe streamlines. Increasing the viscosity further causes the vorticity-related corotation torque to approach the smaller value expected from linear theory (Masset, 2002). A similar argument applies to the saturation of the entropy-related corotation torque when thermal diffusion becomes increasingly efficient (Paardekooper & Papaloizou, 2008; Paardekooper, Baruteau & Kley, 2011).

2.2 Migration in adiabatic and radiative disks

As mentioned above, most previous studies of disk-planet interaction have been performed in the context of (locally) isothermal disks. However, as shown in Fig. 2, a process that prevents corotation torque saturation in an adiabatic disk could change migration significantly, possibly even reversing it. Indeed, in a seminal study, Paardekooper & Mellema (2006b) have demonstrated exactly this possibility when considering planets embedded in 3D disks including radiation transport. Inspired by this work, a number of studies on planet-disk interaction have been devoted to examining migration in more realistic, non-isothermal disks. Through a linear analysis and accompanying 2D simulations, Baruteau & Masset (2008a) have shown that in adiabatic disks the (unsaturated) corotation torque scales with the radial gradient of the entropy. This comes about because in adiabatic flows the entropy, $S = P/\Sigma\gamma$, is conserved along streamlines. Hence, upon executing horseshoe U-turns, an underlying entropy gradient results in a density disturbance because the disk tries to maintain local pressure equilibrium. As density varies inversely with entropy, the torque is proportional to the negative radial gradient of the entropy. This effect can lead to positive unsaturated torques, as shown by the early torque evolution in Fig. 2 (green curve in left panel). However, due to phase mixing in the horseshoe region the torque saturates because of the vanishing entropy gradient across it. Thermal diffusion is required to maintain the entropy gradient (Baruteau & Masset, 2008a; Paardekooper & Papaloizou, 2008), as described above.

To demonstrate the effect for more realistic 2D flat disks, we show results for a planet-disk simulation where we include viscous heating, and local radiative cooling as well as grey diffusive radiative transport in the disk midplane (we refer to models that include radiative cooling and/or radiation transport as radiative disks). The energy equation reads

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma c_v T}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\Sigma c_v T \mathbf{u}) = -P \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} + D - Q - 2H \nabla \cdot \vec{F}$$

(18)

where $T$ is the midplane temperature, $D$ the viscous dissipation, $Q$ the radiative cooling, and $\vec{F}$ the radiative flux in the midplane. Models where the various contributions on the right hand side of eq. (18) were selectively switched off and on, have been presented in Kley & Crida (2008). The effect of this procedure on the resulting torque is shown in Fig. 3 (left panel). The basis for the four runs is the same equilibrium disk model constructed using all terms on the right hand side of eq. (18) and no planet. Embedding a planet of 20 $M_\oplus$ yields positive torques only for radiative disks in the long run, where the maximum effect is given when only viscous heating and local radiative cooling are considered. Obviously, the
Figure 3: Torque acting on a $20 \, M_⊕$ planet at 5.2AU in a disk with 0.01 solar masses within 2.08 and 13 AU. **Left:** Time evolution of the specific torque (per planet mass) for 2D simulations. Shown are 4 cases with a different treatment of the gas thermodynamics, see eq. [18]: i) no energy equation (isothermal), ii) with only the first term on the rhs. of eq. [18] (adiabatic), iii) with all terms on the rhs. (fully radiative), and iv) with all but the last term on the rhs. (local cooling/heating), (after Kley & Crida, 2008). **Right:** Radial torque density $d\Gamma(r)/dm$ for full 3D simulations, scaled in units of $(d\Gamma/dm)_0$ (eq. 20). Shown are the final equilibrium results for different thermodynamics treatments of the disk. The isothermal and adiabatic model have $H/r = 0.037$ in accordance with the radiative model (after Kley, Bitsch & Klahr, 2009).

ability of the disk to exchange energy with its external environment can maintain an entropy gradient. The strength of this positive corotation effect also scales with the square of the planet mass up to about $20 - 25 \, M_⊕$, i.e. with the same scaling as $\Gamma_0$. Beyond a mass of $m_p \approx 30 \, M_⊕$, gap opening begins, so that only Lindblad torques remain, and the planets begin to slow their outward migration and eventually migrate inward. In full 3D radiative simulations the results are qualitatively the same (Kley, Bitsch & Klahr 2009), but interestingly they show an even stronger effect. Note that the full 3D models take into account all terms in eq. [18] as the radiative diffusion acts along all spatial directions.

To analyse the spatial origin of the torques, it is useful to plot the radial torque $d\Gamma(r)/dm$, which we define here (following D’Angelo & Lubow, 2010), such that the total torque $\Gamma_{\text{tot}}$ is given as

$$\Gamma_{\text{tot}} = 2\pi \int \frac{d\Gamma}{dm} (r) \Sigma (r) r dr.$$  \hspace{1cm} (19)

In other words, $d\Gamma(r)$ is the torque exerted by a disk annulus of width $dr$ located at the radius $r$ and having the mass $dm$. As $d\Gamma(r)/dm$ scales with the mass ratio squared and as $(H/r)^{-4}$, we rescale our results in units of

$$\left( \frac{d\Gamma}{dm} \right)_0 = \Omega_p^2 (a_p) a_p^2 q^2 \left( \frac{H}{a_p} \right)^{-4},$$  \hspace{1cm} (20)

where quantities with index $p$ are evaluated at the planet’s position. In Fig. 3 (right panel) we show $d\Gamma(r)/dm$ for various disk models all having $H/r = 0.037$,
as this is the value obtained from the radiative model. The Lindblad contribution for the adiabatic and radiative simulations are nearly identical as to be expected for optically thick disks. The ‘spike’ at about $r \approx 0.99$ for the radiative model shows the positive contribution due to the unsaturated corotation torque.

To capture the effect of the entropy-related horseshoe drag, approximate torque formulae have been developed for adiabatic disks (Masset & Casoli, 2009; Paardekooper et al., 2010). However, these apply only for the initial unsaturated torque, and care has to be taken when they are used in population synthesis models. Similar to the vortensity-related torque, where viscosity prevents saturation, the entropy-related torque will only be sustained in the presence of thermal diffusion. Optimal desaturation occurs when $\tau_{\text{diff}} \lesssim \tau_{\text{lib}}$, where the diffusion time across the horseshoe region is $\tau_{\text{diff}} = x_2^2 / \kappa T$ and $\kappa T$ denotes the thermal diffusivity. The effects of viscous and thermal diffusion have been considered simultaneously and refined expressions for the torque have been constructed (Masset & Casoli, 2010; Paardekooper, Baruteau & Kley, 2011). A direct comparison of these torque formulae with full 3D radiative simulations shows clear discrepancies (Bitsch & Kley, 2011b). This may be related to a physical difference between the full 3D simulations and the 2D results on which the formulae are based. The inclusion of thermal diffusion in a 2D disk operates only within the midplane, whereas for a real disk the cooling occurs along the vertical direction and is balanced by internal dissipation or stellar heating. Indeed, Fig. 3 shows that torque reversal is strongest if only local cooling and no diffusion in the midplane is considered. The radial range over which the total torque remains positive has been studied, and Bitsch & Kley (2011b) find that corotation and Lindblad torques cancel each other at zero-torque radii, which lie between 16 and 30 AU for planets with masses $20 \to 30 \, M_\oplus$. Such locations can act as convergence points for growing planetary cores of similar mass.

2.3 Massive planets: gap formation and type II migration

The analysis presented in the previous section refers to the situation of embedded low-mass planets that do not change the disk’s original structure significantly. However, for larger planet masses the interaction becomes increasingly non-linear and the density profile in the disk will be modified. In the following we describe the consequences of this process in more detail.

2.3.1 Gap formation

Upon increasing the planet mass, the strength of the gravitational interaction and the corresponding angular momentum transfer to the disk become stronger. If the angular momentum can be deposited locally in the disk and is not carried away by the spiral waves, which may occur through viscous dissipation or shock waves, the material inside (outside) the planet loses (gains) angular momentum and recedes from the planet. Consequently, the material appears to be ‘pushed’ away from the location of the planet and a gap begins to open in the disk. The depth and width of the gap that the growing planet carves out will depend on the disk physics (viscosity and pressure), and on the mass of the planet. The planet’s transfer of angular momentum to the disk can be obtained by summing over the Lindblad resonances (Goldreich & Tremaine, 1980) or by using the impulse approximation, where one considers the momentum change between a planet and individual disk particles shearing past (Lin & Papaloizou, 1979). Both approaches yield similar results and Lin & Papaloizou (1986b) give the following expression for the rate of angular momentum transfer.
from the planet to the disk

\[ \dot{J}_{\text{tid}} = f_{\text{tid}} q^2 \Sigma_p a_p^2 \Omega_p^2 \left( \frac{a_p}{\Delta} \right)^3, \]  

(21)

with \( f_{\text{tid}} = 0.23 \), and where \( \Delta = |a_p - r| \) denotes the impact parameter between the fluid particle’s unperturbed trajectory and the planet. Viscosity opposes this and tries to close the gap; the corresponding viscous torque is (Lynden-Bell & Pringle, 1974)

\[ \dot{J}_{\text{visc}} = 3\pi \Sigma_p \nu a_p^2 \Omega_p, \]  

(22)

where \( \nu \) is the vertically integrated kinematic viscosity. Gap formation implies that the effect of gravity (the tidal torque) overwhelms that of viscosity, i.e. \( \dot{J}_{\text{tid}} \gtrsim \dot{J}_{\text{visc}} \). The gap should have a minimum width at least equal to the size of the planet’s Hill sphere (i.e. \( \Delta \approx R_H \)), this being \( R_H = (q/3)^{(1/3)} a_p \). The viscous criterion for gap formation is then given by (Lin & Papaloizou, 1993)

\[ q \gtrsim \frac{40 \nu}{a_p^2 \Omega_p}. \]  

(23)

Additionally, pressure effects in the disk tend to oppose gravitational influence of the planet. For the disk response to be non-linear near the planet, so that the spiral waves form shocks and deposit their angular momentum flux locally in the disk, we require that the planet’s Hill sphere size exceeds the disk thickness, leading to the thermal gap opening criterion, \( R_H \gtrsim H \) (Ward, 1997).

The combined action of viscosity and pressure have been analyzed in detail by Crida, Morbidelli & Masset (2006) and they quote the following criterion for the formation of a gap

\[ \frac{3}{4} \frac{H}{R_H} + \frac{50 \nu}{q a_p^2 \Omega_p} \lesssim 1, \]  

(24)

which gives good agreement with full numerical simulations. The form and depth of the gap for different planet masses and viscosities is given, for example, in D’Angelo, Henning & Kley (2002) and Crida, Morbidelli & Masset (2006). For solar nebula-type conditions, a Saturn mass planet begins to open visible gaps in the disk, but it should be kept in mind that gap formation is a continuous process.

An interesting side aspect is the analysis of nearly inviscid disks for which gap formation begins already for small planetary masses. Under this circumstance the opening criterion depends of the disk mass as well (Rafikov, 2002), which has been confirmed by numerical simulations (Li et al., 2009). Additionally, the process of gap formation has been analyzed analytically and numerically by a number of researchers (Artymowicz & Lubow, 1994; Takeuchi, Miyama & Lin, 1996; Bryden et al., 1999; Kley, 1999).

2.3.2 Type II Migration

Because the density in the coorbital region is reduced, corotation torques are no longer of any importance for larger planet masses. For very large masses when the planet has opened a gap Lindblad torques are also reduced, resulting in a slowing down of the planet migration. In this case, the planet is coupled to the viscous evolution of the disk (Lin & Papaloizou, 1986b). The migration timescale is given by the viscous diffusion time of the disk, \( \tau_{\text{visc}} \propto r_p^2/\nu \). This non-linear regime of disk-planet interaction in which gap-opening planets are locked to the viscous evolution is known as type II migration (see also Ward, 1997).
Using the above descriptions for the tidal and viscous torque (see eqs. 21 and 22) Lin & Papaloizou (1986b) modeled the migration of a gap-opening massive planet simultaneously with the viscous disk evolution utilizing the time-dependent diffusion equation for the disk surface density, \( \Sigma(r, t) \), (Pringle 1981). Later, fully 2D hydrodynamical simulations of moving and accreting planets were performed by Nelson et al. (2000), who showed that a Jupiter-mass planet starting from \( \sim 5 \) AU migrates on a timescale of about \( 10^5 \) yrs all the way to the star. If accretion can occur onto the planet, then its mass can grow up to 4-5 \( M_{\text{Jup}} \) during the migration. Once the planet mass increases and the disk mass declines, i.e. when \( \pi r_p^2 \Sigma_p \lesssim m_p \), the inertia of the planet begins to be important and ‘resists’ the viscous driving, leading to a further reduction in the speed of migration below the viscous diffusion (Syer & Clarke 1995, Ivanov, Papaloizou & Polnarev 1999), in agreement with the numerical simulations (Nelson et al., 2000). The migration and accretion history for a range of planet masses has been analyzed by D’Angelo & Lubow (2008).

These results on migration have indicated a possible scenario to produce the observed population of hot Jupiters (Lin, Bodenheimer & Richardson 1996, Armitage et al., 2002). However, one has to keep in mind that the presence of additional massive planets in the system can lead to quite different behaviour with gravitational interaction and scattering processes between the planets (see Sect. 5). The presence of planets in disks opens up direct observational consequences. A gap could be detected directly by ALMA (Wolf & D’Angelo, 2005), and possibly the accretion luminosity of the growing planet (Klahr & Kley, 2006). Lower mass planets create a gap in the dust distribution (Paardekooper & Mellema, 2006a) or can cast shadows in the disk (Jang-Condell, 2009), both with observable consequences.

### 2.4 Type III (or runaway) migration

Discussion so far has focused on the torque experienced by a non migrating planet orbiting in a gaseous disk. A mode of migration known as type III or runaway migration, however, depends on the radial migration of the planet and can generate periods of very rapid migration under appropriate conditions (Masset & Papaloizou 2003, Artymowicz 2004). In principle, type III migration can be either inward or outward, although the presence of Lindblad torques driving planets inward tends to bias type III migration to be inward in the absence of special conditions such as very steep positive surface density gradients in the disk.

#### 2.4.1 Basic theory

To simplify the discussion, we assume for the time being that the previously discussed vorticity- and entropy-related corotation torques are inactive. The Lindblad torque, \( \Gamma_L \), is assumed to operate normally. Consider a planet undergoing inward radial migration on a circular orbit. Material located in the vicinity of the separatrix between inner disk material that is on circulating streamlines, and material on librating horseshoe orbits, will undergo a single U-turn encounter with the planet as it crosses the entire horseshoe region and moves from the inner to the outer disk (see Fig.4, where the right panel shows streamlines connecting the inner and outer disk for a rapidly migrating planet). As a result of this U-turn encounter, there is a change in the specific angular momentum of the disk material equal to \( \delta j = \Omega_p a_p^2 x_s \). This is just the change in specific angular momentum resulting from a fluid element moving from an orbit located at radial distance \( a_p - x_s \) to one located at \( a_p + x_s \). The flux of mass pass-
Figure 4: Streamlines for a $q = 6 \cdot 10^{-5}$ (10 M$_{\odot}$) planet embedded in a disk with $H/r = 0.05$ that illustrate how radial migration affects the flow topology (as viewed in the planet reference frame). The left panel corresponds to a non-migrating planet (compare to right panel of Fig. 1). The right panel shows a planet that is migrating inward on a timescale of 300 orbits. A dramatic change in streamline topology is apparent due to the rapid migration, as are the streamlines that connect directly between the inner and outer disk. Shaded regions indicate librating material that moves with the planet.

The total corotation torque exerted by the material flowing past the planet is therefore

$$
\Gamma_{\text{Flow}} = 2\pi \Sigma_s \dot{a}_p \Omega_p \dot{a}_p a_p^3 x_s.
$$

We refer to this as the ‘flow-through’ corotation torque, and note that it depends on the migration rate of the planet, such that there is a positive feedback between the migration rate and the torque. In principle, this can lead to runaway migration (Masset & Papaloizou 2003).

As the planet migrates inward, it carries with it material that is trapped in horseshoe orbits and bound to the planet within its Hill sphere. The planet must therefore exert a negative torque on this material (in which case the material exerts a positive torque on the planet, acting as a drag by slowing its inward migration). Denoting the mass trapped in the horseshoe region as $m_{\text{HS}}$ and the mass in the Hill sphere as $m_{\text{Hill}}$, the drift rate of the planet plus trapped-fluid system, migrating because of the flow-through and Lindblad torques, is given by

$$
(m_p + m_{\text{Hill}} + m_{\text{HS}}) \dot{a}_p \Omega_p \dot{a}_p = (4\pi a_p^2 x_s \Sigma_s) \dot{a}_p \Omega_p a_p + 2\Gamma_L.
$$

The quantity $(4\pi a_p^2 x_s \Sigma_s)$ on the right-hand side of eq. (26) is the mass that would be contained in the horseshoe region if the surface density there was equal to $\Sigma_s$, the surface density at the inner separatrix. The quantity $\delta m = 4\pi a_p^2 x_s \Sigma_s - m_{\text{HS}}$ is therefore the approximate difference between the mass that would be contained in the horseshoe region if the disk was unperturbed by the planet and the mass that is actually contained in this region. $\delta m$ is often referred to as the corotational mass deficit (Masset & Papaloizou 2003). If the planet begins to form a gap in the disk, then $\delta m$ increases.
If we now treat the planet mass as being the sum of the actual planet mass and the mass bound in the Hill sphere \(m'_p = m_p + m_{\text{Hill}}\), then eq. (26) can be written as
\[
\dot{a}_p \Omega_p a_p (m'_p - \delta m) = 2\Gamma_L, \tag{27}
\]
from which the drift rate is
\[
\dot{a}_p = \frac{2\Gamma_L}{\Omega_p a_p (m'_p - \delta m)}. \tag{28}
\]
This equation demonstrates two important points. The first is that for a planet that does not form a gap \((\delta m = 0)\), the migration rate is equal to that due to Lindblad torques only. For an inwardly migrating planet, the negative flow-through corotation torque is, therefore, balanced by the positive drag provided by the trapped horseshoe material. The second point is that very rapid migration rates are clearly possible when \(\delta m \simeq m'_p\), such that the coorbital mass deficit is similar to the mass of the planet.

![Figure 5: The left panel shows planet mass versus the disk mass, and delimits the various types of migration behaviour in a disk with \(H/r = 0.04\) and dimensionless kinematic viscosity \(\nu = 10^{-5}\). Runaway or type III migration can occur for parameters shown in the shaded region. The right panel illustrates the bifurcation behaviour predicted by eq. (29) when \(M_\Delta > 1\), leading to rapid inward or outward type III migration.](image)

According to eq. (28), the conditions required for rapid migration are: (i) a partial gap must form at the planet location to generate a coorbital mass deficit; (ii) the coorbital mass deficit \(\delta m \simeq m'_p\). The mass of the planet expected to satisfy these conditions clearly depends on the disk model, but for typical parameters rapid migration may occur for Saturn-mass planets embedded in disks that are a few times more massive than the MMSN model. Figure 5 (left panel, adapted from Masset & Papaloizou (2003)) demonstrates the region of parameter space for which type III migration occurs for a disk with \(H/R = 0.04\) and dimensionless kinematic viscosity \(\nu = 10^{-5}\).

The above analysis is valid for migration rates that cause the planet to migrate over a distance less than the horseshoe width, \(a_p x_s\), in one horseshoe libration time. We denote this migration rate as \(\dot{a}_{p,i}\). When this condition is violated then eq. (27) should be modified (Papaloizou et al., 2007). When the Lindblad
torque is small, solutions for steady inward or outward fast migration rates can be obtained. Setting $\Gamma_L = 0$, and denoting $Z = \dot{a}_p/\dot{a}_p,f$ and $M_\Delta = \delta m/m'_p$, one obtains
\[ Z - \frac{2}{3} M_\Delta \text{sign}(Z) \left[ 1 - (1 - |Z|)_1^{3/2} \right] = 0, \tag{29} \]
where $|Z|_1 = \text{MIN}(|Z|, 1)$. For $M_\Delta < 1$, the only solution is $Z = 0$. For $M_\Delta > 1$, the solutions bifurcate into rapid inward or outward migration as shown in the right panel of Fig. [5]. An unstable solution corresponding to no migration ($Z = 0$) also exists. The fast migration solution, corresponding to migration rate $\dot{a}_{p,f}$, arises when $M_\Delta = 3/2$.

### 2.4.2 Simulation results
A large suite of simulations examining the conditions for runaway migration were presented by Masset & Papaloizou (2003). These simulations produced steady inward migration when $\delta m < m'_p$ in disks with smooth surface density profiles $\Sigma(r) = \Sigma_0 r^{-3/2}$. For models where $\delta m > m'_p$, however, accelerating or runaway migration was observed; and in extreme cases, rapid migration caused the planet’s semimajor axis to halve in less than 50 orbits. In all cases examined, the runaway phase of migration eventually stalled. Two factors prevent sustained runaway migration over long times. The first is that the horseshoe region no longer forms a closed system during rapid migration, so the coorbital mass deficit can be lost. The second is that the factor $a^2_p \Sigma_s$ that enters the expression for the coorbital mass deficit is generally a decreasing function of semimajor axis, such that $\delta m$ decreases as the planet moves inward, eventually reaching a location where runaway migration can no longer occur because $\delta m < m'_p$. Allowing accretion onto the planet as it migrates therefore causes runaway migration to stall earlier.

Numerical simulations presented by Pepliński, Artymowicz & Mellema (2008a) display rapid type III migration for Jovian mass planets, and in basic agreement with Masset & Papaloizou (2003), migration that approximately halves the initial semimajor axis in 50 orbits was obtained, followed by stalling of the rapid migration. In a follow-on paper, Pepliński, Artymowicz & Mellema (2008b) examine rapid outward migration and find an approximate doubling of planet semimajor axes before the outward migration stalls after $\simeq 30$ orbits. Outward migration in this case is initiated by setting-up a disk with a low-density inner cavity with a sharp edge, and placing the planet close to this edge such that it feels a strong and positive corotation torque at the onset of the calculation. Masset & Papaloizou (2003) also demonstrated the feasibility of rapid outward migration, and similarly obtained an approximate factor of two increase in the semimajor axis of the planet before the migration stalled and reversed. Outward migration in this case was initiated by driving the planet outward using an artificial positive torque and then allowing the planet to evolve freely. As discussed above, spontaneous outward migration is not observed in disks with smooth profiles, but instead requires conditions that overcome the bias toward inward migration generated by the Lindblad torques.

### 2.4.3 Implications for planet formation
As discussed above, runaway or type III migration can occur for Saturn-mass planets forming in disks that are a few times more massive than the MMSN model. If we consider the formation of a gas giant planet \textit{via} the core accretion model, then one possible scenario is that the core forms sufficiently early in the disk lifetime that the disk is quite massive during the gas accretion stage. During the core formation and early
gas accretion stage, rapid type I migration may be prevented by the vorticity- and entropy-related torques discussed in Sect. 2.2. As the planet grows through steady gas accretion and it begins to form a gap, the corotation torque preventing rapid type I migration weakens significantly, allowing inward migration to ensue. This transition occurs for $m_p \gtrsim 30 \, M_\oplus$ for typical disk parameters. Continued mass growth up to a Saturn-mass ($\sim 100 \, M_\oplus$) may then allow a burst of runaway or type III rapid inward migration to occur, halving the semimajor axis in a few thousand years before the rapid migration stalls. The planet may then migrate inward on the type II timescale as it forms a deep gap and is locked to the viscous evolution of the disk.

### 2.5 Eccentricity and Inclination Evolution

In addition to changing the semi-major axis, planet-disk interaction can modify the planetary eccentricity ($e_p$) and inclination ($i_p$) as well. In this general case, the forces acting on the planet from the disk have to be evaluated with respect to the orbital plane of the planet, and the changes in the orbital elements are then given in terms of normal, tangential, and radial forces (Burns, 1976). As the radial and vertical position of the planet is no longer fixed, the disk forces vary over an orbital period such that time averages have to be taken to calculate the secular effect on the planet.

![Figure 6: The change in orbital elements of planets embedded in 3D radiative disks. Left: Eccentricity change for planets with various masses starting with an initial $e_p = 0.4$. Right: Inclination change for a 20 M$_\oplus$ planet starting with different initial inclinations. (Plots adapted from Bitsch & Kley, 2010, 2011a).](image)

#### 2.5.1 Eccentricity

For smaller mass planets on eccentric orbits the linear analysis discussed in Sect. 2.1 can be adopted, but with an extended Fourier decomposition of the planet’s gravitational potential (Goldreich & Tremaine, 1980)

$$
\psi_p(r, \varphi, t) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=-m}^{+m} \psi_{m,n}(r) \cos\{m\varphi + (n-m)\Omega_p t\}.
$$

Additional frequencies are now present in the problem compared to the circular orbit case because of epicyclic motion of the planet around its guiding centre. The pattern speed associated with each potential component is $\Omega_{m,n} = (n-m)\Omega_p/m$. As with a planet on a circular orbit, Lindblad resonances occur at disk locations where the perturbation frequency experienced by a fluid element equals the local
epicyclic frequency, and corotation resonances occur wherever the pattern speed equals the local angular velocity of the disk. For each value of $m$ and $n$ there are three resonance locations: external Lindblad resonances that act to increase the planetary eccentricity, corotation resonances that act to damp it (if unsaturated), and coorbital Lindblad resonances that damp $e_p$ (see also Ward 1986 [Artymowicz 1993a]).

Linear analysis for low-mass planets indicates rapid exponential damping of eccentricity, $d e_p/dt \propto -e_p$, on timescales of $\tau_{\text{ecc}} \approx (H/r)^2 \tau_{\text{mig}}$ for small initial eccentricities (Tanaka & Ward 2004), primarily because of the damping provided by the coorbital Lindblad resonances. For larger initial eccentricity, with $e_p \gtrsim H/r$, Papaloizou & Larwood (2000) find a different damping behaviour with $d e_p/dt \propto -e_p^{-2}$. These results have been confirmed through 2D and 3D hydrodynamical simulations of embedded low-mass planets up to 30 $M_{\oplus}$ (Cresswell et al. 2007), see also Fig. 6, left panel.

The discussion concerning the influence of resonances for eccentric planets demonstrates that the evolution of $e_p$ depends on a balance between positive and negative contributions. A fully embedded planet has its eccentricity damped largely because of coorbital Lindblad resonances (Artymowicz 1993a), but if the planet opens a gap, then these are rendered inoperative. In this case, the question of whether or not $e_p$ increases is determined by the balance between external Lindblad resonances and corotation resonances (that may be fully or partially saturated). For fully unsaturated corotation resonances the eccentricity is expected to damp, but calculations by Goldreich & Sari (2003) and Moorhead & Adams (2008) suggest disk-driven eccentricity growth may be possible through (partial) saturation of the corotation resonances (Ogilvie & Lubow 2003). This scenario, which should apply for planet masses around Saturn’s mass, seems appealing to explain the high mean eccentricity of extrasolar planets. However, recent multi-dimensional studies of embedded planets of larger masses up to 1 $M_{\text{Jup}}$ (Bitsch & Kley 2010) suggest that eccentricity is damped quite generally, see Fig. 6 (left panel). This damping behaviour is in very good agreement with the low eccentricities found in some observed resonant planetary systems (Lee & Peale 2002). Indeed, the action of an (one-sided) inner disk on an outer planet results in the damping of planetary eccentricity (Crida, Sándor & Kley 2008).

For massive planets of a few $M_{\text{Jup}}$ a new but related effect occurs in that the outer disk can become eccentric even if the planet is on a circular orbit (Papaloizou, Nelson & Masset 2001; Kley & Dirksen 2006). This phenomenon is also controlled by a balance between competing resonances. The instability has been observed to occur for wide and deep gaps such that the eccentricity damping corotation resonance that coincides with the outer 2:1 Lindblad resonance is cleared and the eccentricity driving 3:1 resonance is dominant. The induced disk eccentricity can react back onto the planet and excite a non-zero $e_p$. This effect operates strongly for massive planets above 10 $M_{\text{Jup}}$ (Papaloizou, Nelson & Masset 2001). More recently, it has been reported to operate for Jovian-mass planets (D’Angelo, Lubow & Bate 2006), resulting in more modest $e_p$ growth in this case. Interestingly, for an eccentric disk the planet moves periodically into the disk, which allows for continued mass accretion onto the planet (Kley & Dirksen 2006). This may be a mechanism to explain some of the large planet masses ($\gtrsim 6M_{\text{Jup}}$) that are otherwise difficult to reach due to the onset of gap formation.
2.5.2 Inclination  

The change in the planet’s inclination has been studied in linear theory for small planet masses and small inclinations \( i_p \lesssim H/r \). Exponential damping has been found, \( \dot{i}_p/dt \propto -i_p \), which occurs on timescales \((H/r)^2\) times shorter than the migration timescale, quite similar to the eccentricity damping time [Ward & Hahn, 2003; Tanaka & Ward, 2004]. This behaviour has been verified in 3D isothermal simulations by [Cresswell et al., 2007]. For larger inclinations \( i_p \gtrsim H/r \), these researchers find inclination damping on a longer timescale with a behaviour \( \dot{i}_p/dt \propto -i_p^{-2} \), which is the same scaling obtained for eccentricity damping when \( e_p \) is large. These results have been verified in 3D radiative simulations by [Bitsch & Kley, 2011a]. Additionally, the inclination has been shown to damp by disk-planet interaction for all planet masses up to about \( 1 \text{ M}_{\text{Jup}} \) [Marzari & Nelson, 2009; Bitsch & Kley, 2011a], see Fig. 6 (right panel).

Due to the much shorter timescales of eccentricity and inclination damping in contrast to the migration time, it is to be expected that for isolated planets embedded in disks these quantities should be very small, at least in laminar disks, i.e. even if planets formed in disks with \( e_p \neq 0 \) and \( i_p \neq 0 \), they would be driven rapidly to \( e_p = 0 \) and \( i_p = 0 \).

3 Planets in turbulent disks

Disk viscosity plays an important role in controlling the dynamics of embedded planets: saturation of corotation torques for low-mass planets and the structure of the gap that forms in the presence of a giant planet are two examples where viscosity provides a controlling influence. The discussion presented in previous sections focused on laminar disks, where anomalous viscous stresses are provided through the Navier-Stokes equation combined with a prescribed viscosity. Viscous stresses in protoplanetary disks, however, most likely arise because of MHD turbulence generated by the magnetorotational instability (MRI) [Balbus & Hawley, 1991]. In this section, we discuss current understanding of how disk turbulence influences the dynamics of embedded planets.

Understanding the role of disk turbulence in the context of planetary formation and dynamics is hindered at present by an incomplete understanding of MHD turbulence in protoplanetary disks. In the ideal MHD limit of a fully ionised disk, the strength of turbulence and the amplitudes of density and velocity fluctuations are strong functions of the net magnetic field strength and topology. Externally imposed vertical fields generate more vigorous turbulence than toroidal fields, and disks that only host fields generated internally through dynamo action yield the weakest turbulent flows [Hawley, Gammie & Balbus, 1995; Steinacker & Papaloizou, 2002]. Neither the strengths nor geometries of magnetic fields in accretion disks are well constrained by observations. The high densities and low temperatures typical of protoplanetary disks mean that in planet-forming regions (approximately \( 0.5 \leq R \leq 20 \ \text{AU} \) from the central star), material near the midplane is likely to be insufficiently ionised to sustain MHD turbulence (fractional gas-phase electron abundances \( x_e \lesssim 10^{-11} \)). Instead, protoplanetary disks are expected to have a layered structure in which the surface layers are ionised by external sources such as cosmic rays or X-rays, and the shielded midplane region maintains a ‘dead zone’ that remains in a near-laminar state because of large Ohmic resistivity there [Gammie, 1996]. Details of this layered structure depend
on a large number of parameters including the sizes and abundances of dust grains (Sano et al., 2000; Ilgner & Nelson, 2006), and the intensity of external ionisation sources (Turner & Drake, 2009), in addition to the field strength and topology. Disk structure can also be influenced by non-ideal MHD processes such as the Hall effect and ambipolar diffusion (Wardle, 1999; Balbus & Terquem, 2001), increasing substantially the complexity and computational expense of simulating the non linear evolution of such disks. It is for this reason that until recently most studies of planets embedded in turbulent disks have focused on disks without dead zones.

3.1 Low-mass embedded planets

Early studies of the interaction between low-mass, non gap-forming planets and turbulent disks are presented by Nelson & Papaloizou (2004), Papaloizou, Nelson & Snellgrove (2004) and Laughlin, Steinacker & Adams (2004). Using 3D ideal MHD simulations of turbulent disks with embedded low-mass planets, Nelson & Papaloizou (2004) showed that disk torques experienced by the planets included a stochastic component, whose r.m.s. value was significantly larger in magnitude than type I torques for planets with masses $m_p \leq 10 M_{\oplus}$, suggesting that these planets would experience a random walk element in their migration. Laughlin, Steinacker & Adams (2004) reached similar conclusions using hydrodynamic simulations with forced turbulence excited through a stirring potential fitted to the results of MHD simulations. The orbital evolution of planets and planetesimals in turbulent disks was considered by Nelson (2005), who demonstrated that embedded low-mass planets do indeed experience a random walk in semimajor axis, and also experience growth in their eccentricities due to interaction with the turbulent density fluctuations.

These studies were unable to determine the long term evolution of planets due to the computational expense of running large MHD simulations, and could run for only $\lesssim 100$ planet orbits. As such, they were unable to address the question of whether or not stochastic torques could dominate over type I torques during long evolution times and prevent the rapid inward migration of low-mass planets. Considering a simple discrete random walk model in which planets receive positive and negative kicks, $\delta J$, in their angular momenta, the cumulative change in angular momentum after $N$ kicks is expected to be $\Delta J = \delta J \sqrt{N}$. Denoting the time that elapses between kicks as $t_{\text{corr}}$ (the correlation time associated with the stochastic torques), the total time elapsed is $t = N t_{\text{corr}}$. Denoting the r.m.s. amplitude of the stochastic torques by $\sigma_T$ gives $\delta J = \sigma_T t_{\text{corr}}$ and

$$\Delta J = \sigma_T t_{\text{corr}} \sqrt{\frac{t}{t_{\text{corr}}}}. \quad (31)$$

The change in angular momentum induced by type I torques of magnitude $\Gamma_1$ in time $t$ is $\Delta J = \Gamma_1 t$. Therefore, we expect type I and stochastic torques to induce similar angular momentum changes after a time given by (Nelson & Papaloizou, 2004),

$$t \sim \left( \frac{\sigma_T}{\Gamma_1} \right)^2 t_{\text{corr}}. \quad (32)$$

For a $1 M_{\oplus}$ planet embedded in a fully turbulent disk typical values are $\sigma_T/\Gamma_1 \sim 50$ and $t_{\text{corr}} \sim 0.5$ planet orbits (Nelson, 2005), such that run times of $> 1,000$ orbits are required to observe torque convergence.
To illustrate the results of MHD simulations with embedded planets we present the results of four simulations in Fig. 7, where the disk set-up is as described in Nelson & Gressel (2010) with $H/R = 0.05$. Stresses generated by the turbulence give $\alpha \simeq 0.015$ throughout the disk. The four simulations have planet masses $m_p \in \{1, 10\} M_\oplus$, and surface density at the initial planet location ($r_p = 5$ AU) of $\Sigma_p \in \{180, 900\}$ g cm$^{-2}$. A snapshot from the run with a $m_p = 10 M_\oplus$ planet embedded in the lower mass disk is shown in the left panel of Fig. 7. The planet wakes are just visible against the background turbulent fluctuations, providing a vivid illustration of why turbulence is able to affect the orbital dynamics of embedded planets. The right panel of Fig. 7 displays the semimajor axis evolution of the four planets, in addition to migration trajectories of equivalent laminar disk simulations. Orbital eccentricities are also excited by the turbulence, and for the $m_p = 1 M_\oplus$ cases, values of $e_p \simeq 0.02$ are obtained in the simulations. Each model shows clear influence of the turbulence affecting orbital evolution.

The simulations described above provide a degree of insight into the role of turbulence in driving the long term evolution of planet orbits, but this is ultimately a statistical problem in which the evolution of an ensemble of planets should be considered. An individual simulation provides a unique evolution history for a single planet, but offers limited information about the evolution of a planet population. Ideally, a large number of independent simulations should be used to build-up a statistical picture of the distribution of outcomes, but the computational expense is prohibitive at present.

An alternative approach that captures exactly this statistical nature of the problem, and allows the long-term evolution to be examined, has been presented by Johnson, Goodman & Menou (2006) and Adams & Bloch (2009). Their studies examined the problem of type I migration in the presence of stochastic torques using a Fokker-Planck formalism. This results in an advection-diffusion equation that governs the probability, $P(J, t)$, of there being a planet with angular
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momentum $J$ at time $t$:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} P(J, t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial J} \left[ \Gamma_1 P(J, t) \right] + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial J^2} \left[ D_J P(J, t) \right], \quad (33)$$

where $\Gamma_1$ is the underlying type I torque and $D_J$ is the diffusion coefficient that determines the rate at which planet angular momentum random walks due to stochastic torques. Given an initial distribution of planet orbits, eq. (33) describes how the distribution evolves over time. The diffusion coefficient, $D_J$, can be approximated by $D_J \approx \sigma T^2 t_{\text{corr}}$, this being consistent with eq. (31). Given values for the r.m.s. fluctuating torque amplitude and correlation time of the stochastic component, the problem is well defined (subject to the assumption that the torques can be described as a simple superposition of type I and stochastic components).

Johnson, Goodman & Menou (2006) expressed the torque r.m.s. in terms of the gravitational force experienced by a particle suspended just above a flat 2D disk with underlying surface density $\Sigma$ (namely $2 \pi G \Sigma$):

$$\sigma T = C_D 2 \pi G \Sigma a_p, \quad (34)$$

where $C_D$ is an unknown constant that can be determined from simulations. The value of $C_D$ obtained from the simulations shown in Fig. 7 is $C_D = 0.035$, similar to the fiducial values of 0.046 adopted by Johnson, Goodman & Menou (2006) and 0.05 adopted by Adams & Bloch (2009). The correlation time derived from the simulations is $t_{\text{corr}} = 0.45$ [see the discussion in Nelson & Gressel (2010) concerning calculation of correlation times, and the range of correlation times obtained in simulations], again similar to the value $t_{\text{corr}} = 0.5$ adopted in the above studies.

The long-term evolution of planetary orbits is determined by the relative values of the diffusion time $t_D = J^2 / D_J$ and the type I migration time, $t_I = J / \Gamma_1$. For a fully turbulent disk with a radially uniform value of the effective viscosity parameter, $\alpha$, it is reasonable to suppose that the mean relative surface density

![Figure 8](image-url)

Figure 8: This figure shows the ratio $t_I / t_D$ for the two different disk models described in the text, and for two different values of the turbulence parameter $C_D$. The various curves fall beneath the value of unity in the outer disk, indicating that diffusive migration dominates type I migration there.
fluctuations, $\delta \Sigma / \Sigma$, are constant, such that the parameter $C_D$ defined above is constant also. The ratio of diffusion to type I timescale is

$$\frac{t_D}{t_I} = \frac{J \Gamma_I}{C_D^2 (2\pi G \Sigma a_p)^2}, \quad (35)$$

where evolution dominated by stochastic torques requires $t_D < t_I$. Considering eq. (35) we note that type I torques depend linearly on $\Sigma$, so that the influence of stochastic torques is increased relative to type I torques for a higher surface density, $\Sigma$. This is a prediction that has yet to be confirmed satisfactorily by numerical simulations because of the need to run a large ensemble of models.

Assuming that the disk surface density and temperature obey radial power laws with indices equal to $\beta_\Sigma$ and $\beta_T$, respectively, the ratio of timescales given by eq. (35) obeys the following proportionality relation

$$\frac{t_D}{t_I} \propto m_p C_D^{-2} a_p^{(\beta_\Sigma + \beta_T - 3) / 2}. \quad (36)$$

As expected, increasing the planet mass increases the influence of type I migration. Increasing the value of $C_D$ increases the influence of stochastic torques and reduces $t_D / t_I$. In most disk models, the power-law indices have values $0 \leq \beta_\Sigma \leq 3/2$ and $1/2 \leq \beta_T \leq 1$, such that the influence of diffusion increases as one moves to larger radii in a disk. This point is illustrated in Fig. 8 in which we plot the ratio $t_D / t_I$ for two disk models. The first model is five times more massive than the MMSN with $\Sigma(R) = \Sigma_0 (R/1AU)^{-3/2}$ and $\Sigma_0 = 8,500$ g cm$^{-2}$. The second model has $\Sigma(R) = \Sigma_0 (R/1AU)^{-1/2}$ with $\Sigma_0 = 641$ g cm$^{-2}$, and both models adopt $T(R) = T_0 (R/1AU)^{-1/2}$ with $T_0 = 270$ K. Clearly, the region where stochastic torques dominate over type I torques ($t_D / t_I < 1$) is in the outer disk beyond 10 AU for a disk that sustains MHD turbulence throughout its interior with effective $\alpha \simeq 0.01$ [see also Johnson, Goodman & Menou (2006) and Adams & Bloch (2009)].

### 3.1.1 Effect of a dead zone

To date, there have been no global dynamical studies of planets embedded in disks with dead zones that are capable of measuring net migration torques. Local shearing box simulations of protoplanets and planetesimals embedded in disks with dead zones have been presented however (Oishi, Mac Low & Menou, 2007; Gressel, Nelson & Turner, 2011). These indicate that embedded bodies experience significantly reduced stochastic torques.

In a recent study, the dynamics of planetesimals embedded in disks with dead zones of different depths were examined by Gressel, Nelson & Turner (2011). For disk models similar to those used to generate Fig. 8 the reduction in stochastic torque amplitude, $\sigma_I$, is at least one order of magnitude when comparing a fully active disk with an equivalent one containing a dead zone. The ratio of diffusion to migration times $t_D / t_I \propto \sigma_I^{-2}$ (the diffusion coefficient determining the rate of stochastic migration scales with the square of the r.m.s. stochastic torque), such that even the most optimistic model plotted in Fig. 8 would predict that type I torques will dominate at all disk radii interior to 100 AU. It is interesting to note, however, that recent models of protoplanetary disks indicate that the dead zone may extend up to a radius of $\sim 15$ AU (Turner & Drake, 2009) or only to $\sim 5$ AU (Flaig et al., 2012), such that turbulence can still play an important role in the outer disk.
3.2 Corotation torques

Viscous diffusion is required to prevent saturation of both the vorticity- and entropy-related contributions to the corotation torque (see Sect. 2.1.6). A key question is whether or not MHD turbulence acts in a similar way to the anomalous viscosity used in most studies of the corotation torque, and prevents saturation. This issue was examined by Baruteau & Lin (2010) using 2D hydrodynamic simulations in which turbulence was forced using the prescription proposed by Laughlin, Steinacker & Adams (2004). Their study suggested that Lindblad and corotation torques in turbulent disks converge to values similar to those obtained in viscous laminar disks for planets with masses equal to a few Earth masses, at least for disks in which the viscous $\alpha$ value was relatively small ($\alpha \lesssim 10^{-3}$).

Customised MHD simulations designed to specifically examine the issue of corotation torque saturation in turbulent disks have been presented by Baruteau et al. (2011). Given the long run times required for torque convergence, these simulations examined the torque experienced by Saturn-mass planets in relatively thick disk models ($H/R = 0.1$) for which the turbulent stress generated $\alpha \simeq 0.01$-$0.03$, and these planets remain in the non gap-forming type I regime. Disk models were considered with either power-law surface density profiles, or with profiles that included a region with a strongly positive surface density gradient that generates a large corotation torque (i.e. a planet trap). The surface density profile from these latter models is shown in the left panel of Fig. 9. The planet is held on a fixed circular orbit at radius $R_p = 3$, and the running time averages of the torques experienced are shown in the right panel of Fig. 9. The average torque for the planet in the turbulent disk maintains a positive value, indicating a tendency for outward migration. The value of the torque converges toward the value obtained in a viscous laminar disk simulation with $\alpha \simeq 0.01$, similar to that obtained in the MHD simulation, demonstrating clearly that an unsaturated corotation torque operates. The right panel in Fig. 9 also shows the torques obtained from a number of laminar disk simulations with different levels of viscosity and shows that, in the absence of viscosity, the positive corotation torque expected from a ‘planet trap’ fully saturates, leaving just the negative differential Lindblad torque operating.

The results for power-law disk models from Baruteau et al. (2011) were compared with equivalent viscous laminar disk simulations and with analytic torque estimates, and were found to be in good agreement, demonstrating further the existence of unsaturated corotation torques in turbulent disks. Uribe et al. (2011) presented simulations for a range of planet masses embedded in 3D stratified turbulent disks, and for intermediate-mass planets located in regions where the surface density gradient was positive locally in their disks, positive corotation torques were observed. In summary, evidence suggests that turbulent stresses do indeed act like viscous stresses and prevent saturation of corotation torques.

A number of unexplored issues remain, however. Do low-mass planets experience corotation torques if they can only induce fluid velocities around the horseshoe U-turns that are smaller than the typical turbulent velocity? If so, is the value of the torque experienced equal to that obtained from linear theory, as expected in the high-viscosity limit? Do the reduced turbulent stresses in a dead zone lead to saturation of corotation torques for embedded low-mass planets?

3.2.1 Effect of a dead zone

There have been numerous numerical studies of the dynamics of protoplanetary disks with dead zones (Fleming & Stone,
Figure 9: **Left:** Surface density profile [normalised by $\Sigma(r_p)$] for the simulation with a planet orbiting at the edge of an inner cavity/planet trap ($r_p = 3$) in a turbulent disk. **Right:** Running averaged torques experienced by the planet in the turbulent disk, and those experienced by planets in equivalent laminar models with different values of the viscosity.

2003; Ilgner & Nelson, 2008; Turner & Sano, 2008; Oishi & Mac Low, 2009; Gressel, Nelson & Turner, 2011; Flaig et al., 2012). These indicate that the Reynolds stress at the midplane, induced by sound waves propagating into the dead zone from the active layer, has an effective viscosity parameter $\alpha \sim 10^{-4}$. Assuming that this Reynolds stress acts to prevent saturation of the corotation torque in the same way as full MHD turbulence, we can estimate the planet mass for which the horseshoe drag is fully unsaturated. We assume that this occurs when the viscous diffusion time is approximately equal to half the horseshoe libration time, such that the corresponding planet-star mass ratio is

$$\frac{m_p}{M_*} \simeq (1.1)^{-2} \left( \frac{4\pi \alpha}{3} \right)^{2/3} \left( \frac{H}{R_p} \right)^{7/3},$$

(37)

where we have used eq. (16) for the horseshoe width, $x_s$, with $C(\epsilon) = 1.1$. For a dead zone with midplane $\alpha = 10^{-4}$ in a disk with typical parameters ($H/R \simeq 0.05$ at 5 AU), a fully unsaturated horseshoe drag occurs for $m_p \simeq 1.4 M_\oplus$ (assuming a Solar mass central star). Planets with masses larger than this are subject increasingly to saturation of their corotation torques in the manner displayed in Fig. 2 where the total torque experienced by a 20 $M_\oplus$ planet is displayed as a function of disk viscosity. This suggests that planets in the super-Earth- and Neptune-mass range may experience rapid inward migration if embedded in a disk with parameters similar to those that arise from the above cited simulations of dead zones.

### 3.3 Massive gap opening planets

There has only been a modest amount of research examining the evolution of giant, gap-forming planets embedded in turbulent disks, and to date all studies have adopted the ideal MHD approximation. Global, cylindrical models of turbulent disks with embedded giant planets have been presented by Nelson & Pa-
papaloizou (2003), Winters, Balbus & Hawley (2003), Nelson & Papaloizou (2004), and Papaloizou, Nelson & Snellgrove (2004). Shearing box simulations were also presented by Nelson & Papaloizou (2004) and Papaloizou, Nelson & Snellgrove (2004). More recently, global simulations of vertically stratified disks have been presented by Uribe et al. (2011). These simulations all show gap formation for planets with masses in the range of $1 \leq m_p \leq 5 \, M_{\text{Jup}}$ for disks with $0.05 \leq H/R \leq 0.1$ and with effective stress parameters $\alpha \sim \text{few} \times 10^{-3}$, in agreement with the gap-formation criteria discussed in Sect. 2.3.1. A snapshot from a simulation discussed by Nelson & Papaloizou (2003) is displayed in the left panel of Fig. 10, showing the formation and maintenance of a gap by a $m_p = 5 \, M_{\text{Jup}}$ planet in a disk with $H/R = 0.1$ and $\alpha \sim 5 \times 10^{-3}$.

Figure 10: Left: Snapshot of the midplane density for a 5 Jupiter mass planet orbiting in a turbulent disk with $H/R = 0.1$. Right: Normalised midplane density profiles for a magnetised turbulent disk, and an equivalent laminar disk, containing an embedded giant planet.

Comparisons between the MHD simulations and equivalent laminar, viscous hydrodynamic simulations show broad agreement in global properties, but also some interesting differences. For example, good agreement is found for the migration timescales of giant planets in turbulent disks, these being approximately equal to the viscous timescale of the disks at the planet locations $\approx 10^5 \, \text{yr}$ (Nelson & Papaloizou, 2003, 2004; Uribe et al., 2011). It is generally found that the gap formed in turbulent disks is wider than that obtained in equivalent laminar simulations, a point illustrated by the right panel of Fig. 10 that shows the azimuthally averaged surface density profile for a laminar and a turbulent disk simulation discussed by Papaloizou, Nelson & Snellgrove (2004). It is also found that the magnetic field in the turbulent disk simulations becomes compressed and ordered in the post-spiral shock region near the planet, and is advected into the Hill sphere of the planet along with the gas. This latter effect may lead to magnetic braking of the circumplanetary disk, leading to enhanced accretion onto planets in turbulent disks with magnetic fields compared to non-magnetised disks. (Nelson & Papaloizou, 2003; Papaloizou, Nelson & Snellgrove, 2004). The right panel of Fig. 10 demonstrates this effect through the enhanced density of material that has accumulated onto the planet (modeled as a non-accreting, softened
point mass) in the magnetised run. This effect, however, may be substantially modified when non-ideal MHD effects such as Ohmic resistivity and ambipolar diffusion are taken into account. The high surface density circumplanetary disk that forms around the growing giant planet will probably be largely neutral and not strongly coupled to the magnetic field, except for a thin active layer at the surface in analogy with dead zones discussed in the previous sections. Given that the rate of accretion onto a giant planet is determined by the rate of angular momentum transport within the circumplanetary disk, this is an important effect for future study as it will play a crucial role in setting the mass distribution function for fully formed giant planets.

4 Planets formed through gravitational instability

Shortly after formation of the central protostar and protostellar disk by collapse of a rotating molecular cloud core, the disk mass is comparable to the mass of the protostar and its self-gravity is dynamically important. The formation of planets by direct fragmentation of self-gravitating protostellar disks has been the focus of research over a number of decades (Kuiper, 1951; Cameron, 1978; Boss, 1998). A general consensus has begun to emerge that fragmentation is most likely to occur in the outer regions ($R > 50$ AU) of protostellar disks where they are optically thin to their own thermal emission during this early stage. The gas is able to cool in these regions on timescales less than about the local orbital period, allowing gravitationally unstable clumps to collapse to high densities (Gammie, 2001). The optically thick inner disk, however, allows only inefficient cooling that prevents fragmentation. The discovery of massive planets orbiting at large radii from their stars by direct imaging has led to suggestions that these objects may have formed via gravitational instability.

Once self-gravitating clumps have formed, it is important to consider the subsequent long-term evolution of their orbits and masses. Vorobyov & Basu (2005, 2006) presented simulations of disk and protostar formation through cloud collapse, followed by disk fragmentation into a succession of protostellar/protoplanetary clumps that underwent rapid migration through the disk and the inner boundary of the computational domain (located at a radius of 10 AU). Customised simulations have been presented more recently (Baruteau, Meru & Paardekooper, 2011; Michael, Durisen & Boley, 2011) that examine the migration of planets of different masses in self-gravitating disks that support gravito-turbulence without fragmenting. In the gravito-turbulent state, the disk is in near-equilibrium with heating generated by spiral shocks balancing radiative cooling on average (although additional heat sources such as stellar radiation may also be important Cai et al. (2008); Zhu et al. (2012)). The simulations considered planets with masses ranging from a Saturn mass up to $5 M_{\text{Jup}}$, and showed inward migration on type I migration timescales, albeit with a stochastic component superposed because of interaction with spiral shocks generated by the disk self-gravity. Planets with $5 M_{\text{Jup}}$ masses migrated from 100 AU to 30 AU in $\approx 3 \times 10^3$ yr ($\approx 3$ initial orbital periods) (Baruteau, Meru & Paardekooper, 2011), demonstrating that very rapid inward migration of isolated self-gravitating clumps is to be expected. Under conditions more appropriate to later stages of disk evolution, where self-gravity is not important, such a massive planet would form a gap in the disk and migrate slowly. The heavier disks that sustain gravito-turbulence considered
by Baruteau, Meru & Paardekooper (2011), however, have larger vertical scale heights and effective viscosities such that a $5 M_{\text{Jup}}$ protoplanet does not satisfy the gap formation criterion given by eq. \[24\]. In the situation of lower mass self-gravitating disks that do not display gravito-turbulence Lin & Papaloizou (2012) have shown recently that unstable modes at the gap edges can drive outward type II migration.

A number of uncertainties remain concerning the evolution of protoplanetary clumps formed by gravitational instability. An obvious one is understanding the long term orbital evolution of systems that form multiple clumps contemporaneously that then interact gravitationally. Boley et al. (2010) discuss one such simulation in which a clump is scattered onto a highly eccentric orbit, leading to tidal destruction at periastron. Cha & Nayakshin (2011) show examples of fragmenting disks that result in multiple fragments, some of which are scattered to large radius and do not migrate inward rapidly. Perhaps the most significant uncertainty relates to the rate of mass accretion that can be sustained onto a clump, which needs to lose angular momentum in order to contract and allow disk material to accrete into its Hill sphere (Boley et al., 2010). The mass accretion history will clearly affect the migration history, as rapid mass accretion may allow migration to slow down through gap formation. The rate of contraction and growth of the central temperature will also influence the ability of a clump to survive tidal destruction if it migrates inward, determine whether or not the growth and sedimentation of grains can lead to differentiation and core formation (Helled & Bodenheimer, 2011), and consequently determine whether or not tidal downsizing of inwardly migrating protoplanetary clumps can lead to the formation of super-Earth planets (Cha & Nayakshin, 2011). Clearly, substantial further research is required to clarify the role of gravitational instability and subsequent disk-protoplanet interactions in the formation of planetary systems. But it seems to be clear that a single planet-mass object that forms in a massive self-gravitating disk is very likely to experience rapid migration into the inner disk.

5 Multiple planets

A number of multiple extrasolar planetary systems are known to have at least two planets in mean motion resonance, and the mere existence of these systems is strong evidence that dissipative mechanisms changing the semi-major axes of planets must have operated. The probability of forming these configurations in situ or later through mutual scattering is likely to be small [for a different perspective, however, see Raymond et al. (2008)]. Convergent migration of a pair of planets will lead to resonant capture under quite general conditions. Planets can approach each other from widely separated orbits if they have different migration speeds, or if they form in close proximity and are sufficiently massive to form a joint gap (as illustrated in Fig. 11). In this case, the outer disk pushes the outer planet inward, and the inner disk pushes the inner planet outward, causing convergence. If the planets approach a commensurability, where the orbital periods have a ratio of two integers, orbital eccentricities will be excited and resonant capture may arise. Whether or not this happens hinges primarily on the time the planets take to cross the resonance. This must be longer than the resonance libration time, which sets a limit on the relative migration speed.
Figure 11: Density structure for two embedded planets engaged in a 2:1 resonance. The red lines indicated the Hill radius sizes of the two planets. The two planets orbit in a joint wide gap and each of the planets feels only a one-sided disk, which helps to maintain the resonant condition.

of the planets (Snellgrove, Papaloizou & Nelson, 2001). Resonant capture increases the eccentricities, and the two planets migrate (usually inward) as a joint pair maintaining the commensurability. Continued migration in resonance drives the eccentricities upward, and they only remain small during migration if the planets also experience eccentricity damping (Lee & Peale, 2002). If the planets orbit within the disk, as depicted in Fig. [11], the inner and outer disk act as damping agents, and it has been shown using 2D simulations that the eccentricity damping rate (due to either the inner or outer disk) for massive planets is about 5-10 times faster than the induced migration rate (Kley, Peitz & Bryden, 2004). The question of which resonance the system ends up in depends on the masses, the relative migration speed and initial separation of the planets (Nelson & Papaloizou, 2002). Because the 2:1 resonance is the first first-order resonance that two initially well-separated planets encounter during convergent migration, it is common for planets to become locked in this commensurability provided migration is not too rapid.

Application of these results to the best observed system GJ 876 (Marcy et al., 2001; Laughlin et al., 2005) leads to excellent agreement between theoretical evolution models and observations (Lee & Peale, 2002; Kley et al., 2005; Crida, Sándor & Kley, 2008). Because formation of resonant planetary systems depends on disk-planet interaction, the present dynamical conditions in observed systems present an ideal indicator of evolutionary history. This has been noticed recently in the system HD 45364, where two planets in 3:2 resonance have been discovered by Correia et al. (2009). Fits to the data give semi-major axes $a_1 = 0.681\text{AU}$ and $a_2 = 0.897\text{AU}$, and eccentricities $e_1 = 0.168$ and $e_2 = 0.097$, respectively. Non-linear hydrodynamic planet-disk models have been constructed for this system by
Rein, Papaloizou & Kley (2010). For suitable disk parameters, the planets enter the 3:2 resonance through convergent migration. After the planets reached their observed semi-major axis, a theoretical RV-curve was calculated. Surprisingly, even though the simulated eccentricities \( e_1 = 0.036, e_2 = 0.017 \) differ significantly from the data fits, the theoretical model fits the observed data points as well as the published best-fit solution (Rein, Papaloizou & Kley, 2010). The pronounced dynamical differences between the two orbital fits, that both match the existing data, can only be resolved with more observations. Hence, HD 45364 serves as an excellent example of a system in which a greater quantity and quality of data will constrain theoretical models of this interacting multi-planet system.

Another interesting observational aspect where convergent migration may have played an important role is the high mean eccentricity of the observed extrasolar planets. As discussed above, for single planets, the disk’s action will nearly always lead to damping of eccentricity (or at best modest growth for Jovian masses). Strong eccentricity excitation will occur, however, during convergent migration and resonant capture of two planets. In the end-phase of the planet formation process the disk will slowly dissipate and the damping will be strongly reduced. This may leave the resonant planetary system in an unstable configuration, triggering dynamical instabilities (Adams & Laughlin, 2003). Through the subsequent dynamical scattering between the planets, their eccentricities can be pumped up to higher values. This scenario has been proposed to explain the observed wide eccentricity distribution of extrasolar planets (Chatterjee et al., 2008; Jurić & Tremaine, 2008; Matsumura et al., 2010).

The simultaneous disk-planet interaction of a set of low-mass embedded planets (5 \( \rightarrow \) 20 M\( \oplus \)) undergoing differential type I migration leads to crowded systems as shown by Cresswell & Nelson (2008). These researchers also find that the planets often form resonant groups with first-order mean-motion resonances having commensurabilities between 3:2 - 8:7 [see also McNeil, Duncan & Levison (2005); Papaloizou & Szuszkiewicz (2005)]. Strong eccentricity damping allows these systems to remain stable during their migration. In general terms, these systems are reminiscent of the systems of low-mass planets being discovered by the Kepler mission, such as Kepler-11 (Lissauer et al., 2011). The proximity of the planets to the star in this system and their near coplanarity hints strongly toward a disk-driven migration scenario for the formation of this system.

Another highly interesting dynamical situation occurs for a pair of embedded planets when the outer planet is less massive and in a regime susceptible to rapid type III migration. In this case, the outer planet migrates inward more rapidly than the inner one such that the 2:1 resonance may be crossed, and capture occurs into the 3:2 resonance (Masset & Snellgrove, 2001). This is, in fact, the preferred outcome if the outer planet has about a third of the mass of the inner planet (Pierens & Nelson, 2008). Surprisingly, after capture, both planets begin to migrate outward, maintaining the 3:2 resonance (Masset & Snellgrove, 2001). This occurs because the two planets form a joint gap, but one that has an asymmetry between its inner and outer edges because of the lower-mass of the outer planet. This situation allows the inner disk to exert stronger torques than the outer disk, leading to outward migration. The situation is assisted by the fact that the lower mass outer planet funnels mass through the gap and eventually into the inner disk, thus maintaining a high surface density there. One application of the Masset-Snellgrove process refers to the formation of systems such as HR 8799 or Fomalhaut where the planets reside at very large distances.
from the star (Marois et al., 2008; Kalas et al., 2008). Here, it has been suggested that this very mechanism can take the planets, under suitable disk conditions, all the way from about 10 AU up to 100 AU (Crida, Masset & Morbidelli, 2009).

As explained above and shown in Fig. 11, multiple planets carve very wide gaps in the disk. The situation where the inner disk has been completely cleared, for example accreted onto the star, gives rise to so-called transitional disks that display a large inner hole, inferred by the lack of near-IR radiation in their SEDs. This possibility has been studied by Quillen et al. (2004), Varnière et al. (2006), Dodson-Robinson & Salyk (2011), and Zhu et al. (2011).

6 Planet formation with migration: comparison with observations

The migration scenarios discussed in this review depend on the planet mass, so it is crucial to consider the combined effects of mass growth and migration when assessing the role of migration during the formation of planetary systems. Two approaches that have been used extensively for this purpose are planetary population synthesis and N-body simulations. Population synthesis studies use Monte-Carlo techniques to construct synthetic planetary populations for comparison with exoplanet observations, with the aim of determining which combinations of model ingredients lead to statistically reasonable fits to the observational data (orbital elements and masses in particular). The basis of published models has been the core-accretion scenario of planetary formation, combined with simple prescriptions for type I and type II migration and viscous disk evolution models (Armitage et al., 2002; Ida & Lin, 2004; Alibert et al., 2005). Almost all studies to date have adopted type I migration rates according to eq. (8), supplemented with a reduction factor that slows type I migration. The influence of the vortensity and entropy-related horseshoe drag discussed in Sect. 2.2 has not yet been explored in general, although there are a couple of recent exceptions to this statement.

Ida & Lin (2008), Mordasini, Alibert & Benz (2009), and Mordasini et al. (2009) consider the effects of type I and type II migration in their population synthesis models. Although differences exist in the modeling procedures, these studies conclude that unattenuated type I migration leads to planet populations that do not match the observed distributions of planet mass and semimajor axis. Models presented by Ida & Lin (2008) fail to produce giant planets at all if full-strength type I migration operates. Acceptable planet populations are reported for reductions in the efficiency of type I migration by factors of 0.01 to 0.03, with type II migration being required to form ‘hot Jupiters’. With the type II timescale of $\sim 10^5$ yr being significantly shorter than disk life-times, numerous giant planets also migrate into the central star in these models. The survivors are planets that form late as the disk is being dispersed (through viscous evolution and photoevaporation). Mordasini, Alibert & Benz (2009) and Mordasini et al. (2009) present models with full-strength type I migration that are able to form a sparse population of gas giants. Cores that accrete late in the disk life-time are able to grow to large masses as they migrate because they do not exhaust their feeding zones. Type I migration in this case leads to too many short-period massive gas giants that contradict the exoplanet data.

The above studies focused primarily on forming gas giant planets, but numerous super-Earth- and Neptune-mass planets have been discovered. In a recent study,
Howard et al. (2010) compared the predictions of population synthesis models with radial-velocity observations of extrasolar planets orbiting within 0.25 AU around 166 nearby G-, K-, and M-type stars (the $\eta$-Earth survey). The data indicate a high density of planets with $m_p = 4 - 10$ M$_{\oplus}$ with periods of less than 10 days, which is not present in the population synthesis models because of rapid migration and mass growth. Ida & Lin (2010) recently considered the formation of super-Earths using population synthesis. In the absence of an inner disk cavity (formed by interaction with the stellar magnetic field) the simulations failed to form systems of short-period super-Earths because of type I migration.

N-body simulations with prescriptions for migration have also been used to examine the interplay between planet growth and migration. This approach has the advantage of including important planet-planet interactions that can induce orbital changes, as opposed to the ‘single-planet in a disk’ approach adopted by most population synthesis studies. Simulations that explore short-period super-Earth formation and tidal interaction with the central star for disk models containing inner cavities have been presented by Terquem & Papaloizou (2007). McNeil & Nelson (2009, 2010) considered the formation of hot super-Earth- and Neptune-mass planets using N-body simulations combined with type I migration. They examined whether or not the standard oligarchic growth picture of planet formation combined with migration could produce systems such as Gliese 581 and HD 69830 that contain multiple short-period super-Earth- and Neptune-mass planets. These super-Earth and Neptune systems probably contain up to 30 – 40 Earth masses of rocky or icy material orbiting within 1 AU, but the simulations failed to produce any systems with greater than 12 Earth masses of solids interior to this orbital radius.

Thommes, Matsumura & Rasio (2008) presented a suite of simulations of giant planet formation using a hybrid code in which emerging embryos were evolved using an N-body integrator combined with a 1D viscous disk model. Although unattenuated type I and type II migration were included, a number of models led to successful formation of systems of surviving gas giant planets. These models consider an initial population of planetary embryos undergoing oligarchic growth extending out to 30 AU from the star, and indicate that the right combination of planetary growth times, disk masses and life times can form surviving giant planets through the core-accretion model provided embryos can form and grow at large orbital distances before migrating inward.

The role of the combined vorticity- and entropy-related corotation torque, and its ability to slow or reverse type I migration of forming planets, has not yet been explored in detail. The survival of protoplanets with masses in the range of $1 \leq m_p \leq 10$ M$_{\oplus}$ in global 1D disk models has been studied by Lyra, Paardekooper & Mac Low (2010). Their models demonstrate that there are locations in the disk where planets of a given mass experience zero migration due to the cancellation of Lindblad and corotation torques (zero-torque radii). Planets have a tendency to migrate toward these positions, where they then sit and drift inward slowly as the gas disk disperses. Preliminary results of population synthesis calculations have been presented by Mordasini et al. (2011), and N-body simulations that examine the oligarchic growth scenario under the influence of strong corotation torques have been presented by Hellary & Nelson (2012). These studies indicate that the convergent migration that arises as planets move toward their zero-migration radii can allow a substantial increase in the rate of planetary accretion, and the formation of gas giants at large distance from the central star.
Kley & Nelson (2012) find, however, that planet-planet scattering can increase the eccentricity to values that effectively quench the horseshoe drag, such that crowded planetary systems during the formation epoch may continue to experience rapid inward migration. Further work is clearly required to fully assess the influence of the corotation torque on planet formation in the presence of significant planet-planet interactions.

6.1 Observational evidence for disk-driven migration

The discovery of the first extrasolar planet orbiting around a solar-type star, 51 Peg (Mayor & Queloz 1995), provided immediate evidence for the migration of planets. In situ formation models cannot explain Jupiter-like planets orbiting with periods of a few days because the dust required to build a core sublimes at the disk temperatures expected at these small radii ($T > 1,500$ K). The existence of hot Jupiters, however, does not tell us which of the various modes of migration that we have discussed are dominant during or after planet formation. In principle, type I migration of a solid core followed by in situ accretion of gas may explain hot Jupiter systems, as can a picture based on near-complete formation at large orbital radii followed by type II migration inward.

Recent observations of the Rossiter-McLaughlin effect indicate the presence of short-period planets whose orbit planes are strongly misaligned with their host star equatorial planes (Triaud et al. 2010; Winn et al. 2010). This dynamical feature may be difficult to reconcile with disk-driven migration that comes about with inclination damping. As an alternative, it has been suggested that different processes such as planet-planet scattering (Chatterjee et al. 2008) and/or the Kozai mechanism combined with stellar tides (Fabrycky & Tremaine 2007) may play an important role. The most natural explanation for short-period systems whose orbital angular momenta are aligned with the stellar spin axis, however, remains to be disk-driven migration. Furthermore, planets with intermediate periods of a few tens of days cannot have their migration explained by scattering or the Kozai mechanism as stellar tides do not operate effectively in these systems.

The discovery of multiple systems of super-Earth and Neptune-like planets orbiting interior to $\sim 0.5$ AU, such as Gliese 581 (Udry et al. 2007) and HD 69830 (Lovis et al. 2006) seem to provide compelling evidence for type I migration of low-mass planets, albeit at slower rates than the standard values. In situ formation is very difficult to explain for these systems, which likely contain up to 30 - 40 Earth masses of rocky and icy material. The mass of solids interior to 1 AU in typical disk models is at most a few Earth masses. The discovery by the Kepler mission of multiple systems of low-mass planets on near coplanar orbits in resonant or near-resonant configurations, such as the Kepler-11 system (Lissauer et al. 2011) provides further compelling evidence for formation and migration in a highly dissipative disk environment given the apparent dynamical quiescence of these closely packed systems.

As discussed in Sect. 5, the existence of giant planets in 2:1 mean motion resonances, such as the GJ 876 (Marcy et al. 2001) and Kepler-9 (Holman et al. 2010) systems, suggests that the differential migration in these systems was relatively slow when the resonances were established. The more rapid migration rates associated with type I or type III migration do not result in capture into 2:1, but in resonances of higher degree such as 3:2 (Masset & Snellgrove 2001). Although this evidence is circumstantial rather than direct, it points to migration
rates that are characteristic of type II migration. The success of models based on type II migration in explaining the basic orbital parameters of the GJ 876 system makes this circumstantial evidence even more compelling.

7 Summary Points

1. Disk-planet interaction is a natural process operating when young planets are still embedded in the protoplanetary disk. Torques are created by the induced non-axisymmetric features in the disk: spiral waves and the horseshoe region. Disk-planet interaction impacts all orbital elements of a planet. Eccentricity and inclination are usually damped quickly, but the speed and direction of migration depends intricately on disk physics.

2. Disk-planet interaction is intrinsically three-dimensional. Using the latest numerical methods, new unexpected results, such as outward migration, have been discovered.

3. Standard migration (in viscous, laminar disks) comes in 3 flavours: type I migration operates for nongap-forming low-mass planets (it can be inward or outward). In type II migration, the planet opens a gap and moves with the viscously evolving disk. It is typically inward and slower than type I. Type III describes fast runaway migration driven by the radial drift of the planet (it can be either inward or outward).

4. In turbulent, magnetically driven disks, low-mass planets experience stochastic motion. The evolution of more massive planets can be described approximately by viscous disk-planet interaction.

5. The disk’s thermal structure plays a decisive role in determining the direction of type I migration. For radiative disks, outward migration is possible for planets below about 30 M_J on circular orbits. This effect helps to solve the too-rapid migration problem.

6. Disk-planet interaction is one major ingredient in shaping the final architecture of planetary systems as we observe them today.

7. Evidence for migration comes from three basic observational facts: \(i\) Hot Jupiters close to the star with orbital angular momentum vectors approximately aligned to the spin-axis of the star. \(ii\) Coplanar multiple systems containing low-mass planets with short and intermediate orbital periods, as discovered, for example, by the Kepler mission, and \(iii\) The high fraction of mean motion resonances in multi-planet systems.

8 Future Issues

1. Planetary growth and evolution takes place in protoplanetary disks, and the final state of a planetary system is determined by the disk’s structure. Theoretical, computational, and observational developments are required to improve models of the planet formation environment, with particular emphasis on their structural evolution over time. Important ingredients are the disk’s self-gravity, irradiation from the central star, chemistry, and non-ideal MHD processes.
2. Because the planet mass is the important parameter determining the strength of planet-disk interaction, its mass growth needs to be known simultaneously with its orbital evolution. Orbital eccentricity also plays a role in determining disk torques. Detailed models that combine the temporal history of mass growth, migration, and planet-planet interactions are required.

3. Refined torque formulae to be used in population synthesis models are needed that take into account the results of full 3D disk-planet modeling.

4. Improvements in population synthesis-style modeling are required to increase the connection between theory and observations. The success of missions such as CoRoT and Kepler, continuing discoveries from ground-based observatories, and the prospect of future missions such as PLATO or TESS make this a high priority.

5. Future ground-based observatories such as ALMA have the potential to observe planet-forming disks around young stars in unprecedented detail. Improved modeling of processes such as gap formation in more realistic disk models will be required to interpret future observations.

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