

# STAR FORMATION AND THE ROLE OF MAGNETIC FIELDS AND TURBULENCE

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# QUESTIONS

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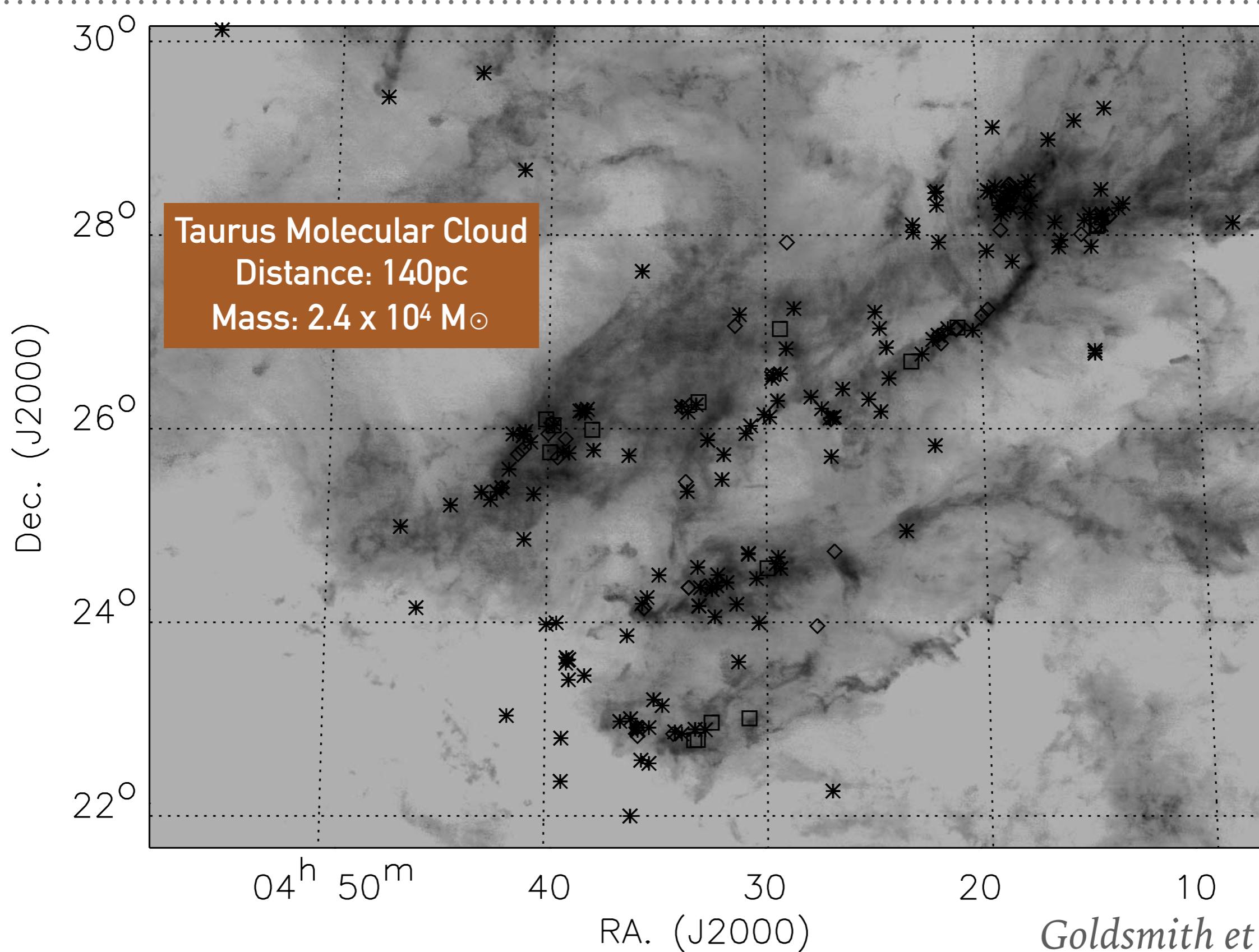
- Star formation: slow or fast?
- Planet formation: slow or fast?

*The night sky near my house*



*Credit: Alex Cherney, terrastro.com*

# STAR FORMATION IN NEARBY MOLECULAR CLOUDS



Goldsmith et al. (2008)

# TRADITIONAL VIEW

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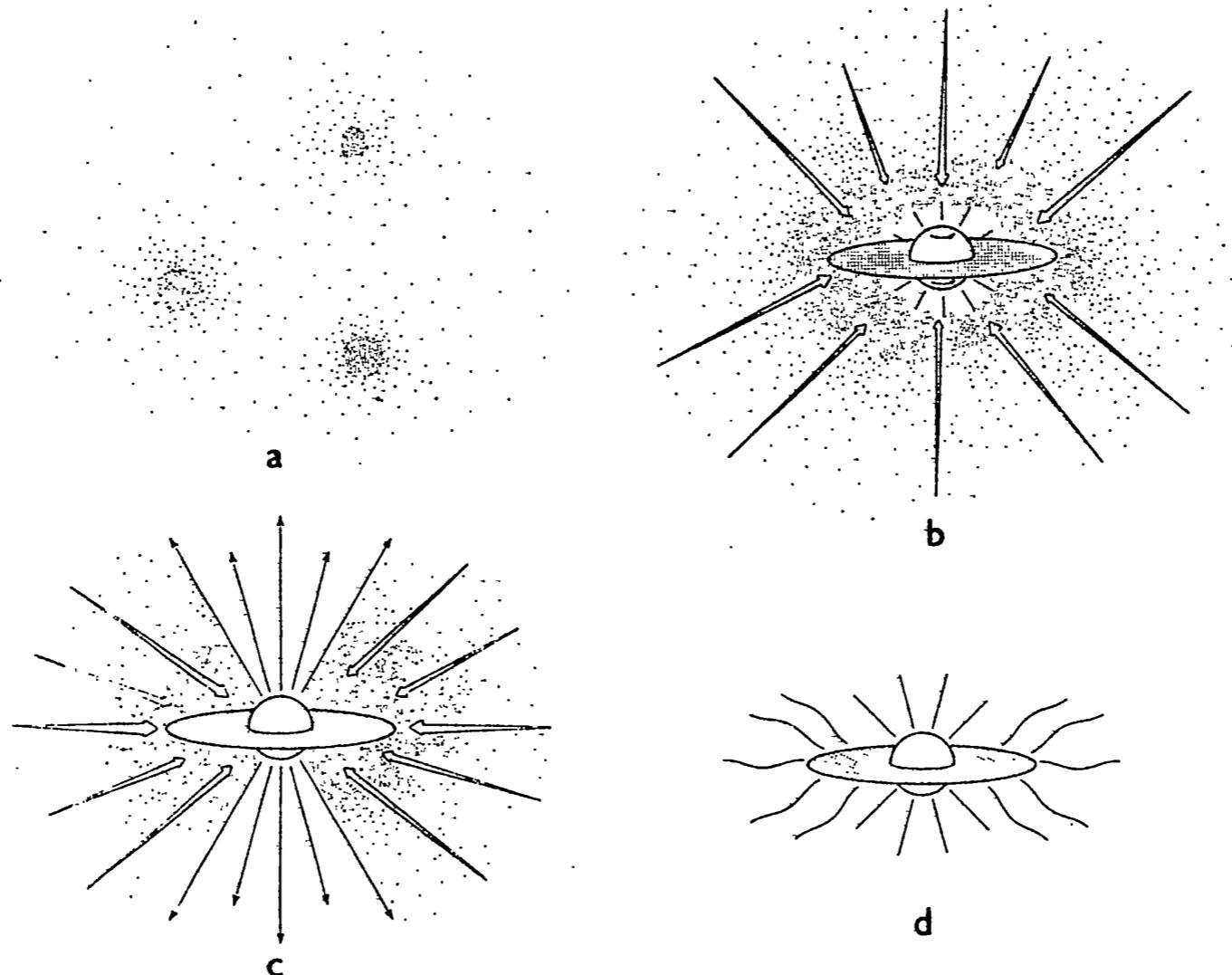


# MAGNETICALLY CONTROLLED (SLOW) STAR FORMATION

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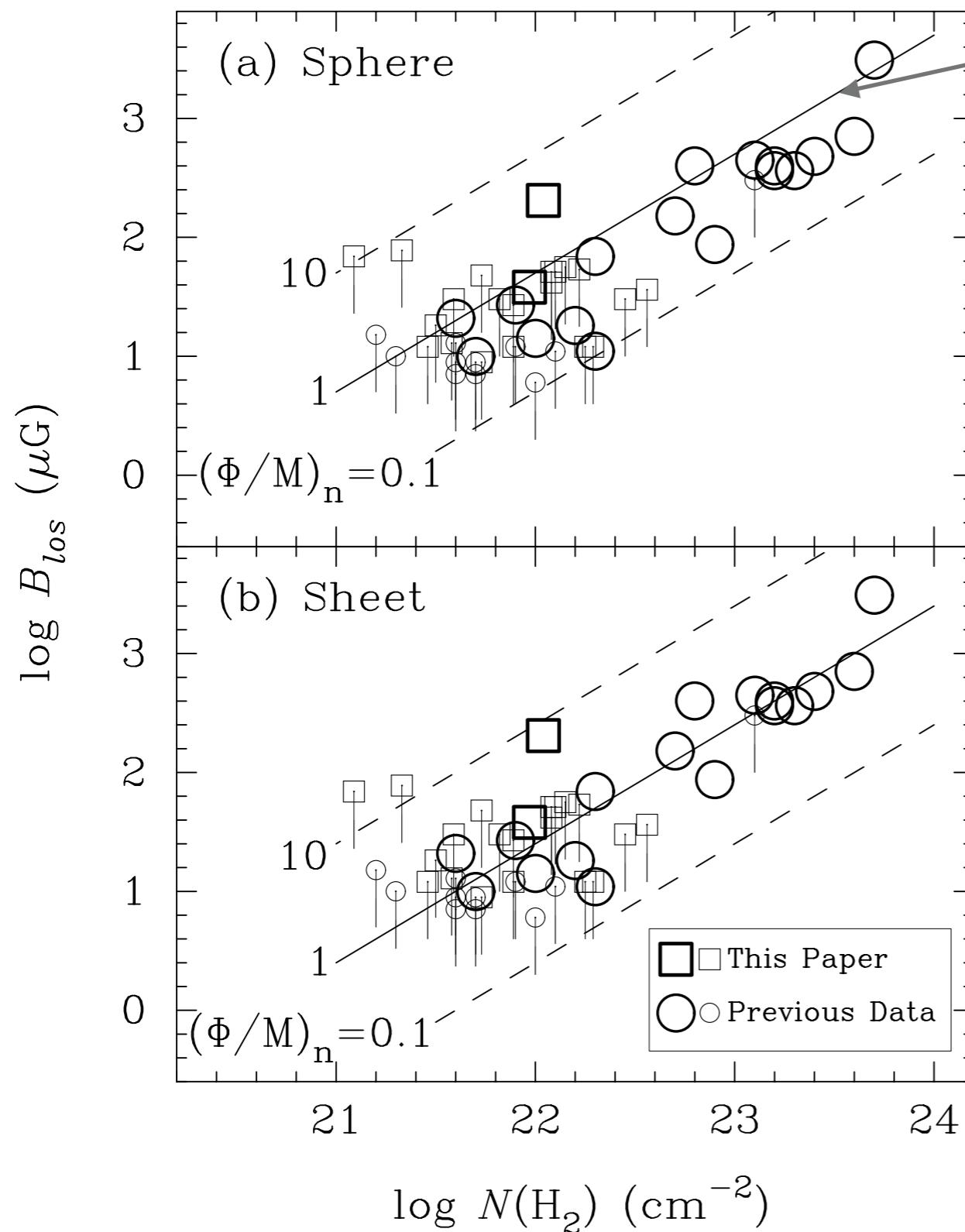
SHU, ADAMS & LIZANO



*Figure 7* The four stages of star formation. (a) Cores form within molecular clouds as magnetic and turbulent support is lost through ambipolar diffusion. (b) A protostar with a surrounding nebular disk forms at the center of a cloud core collapsing from inside-out. (c) A stellar wind breaks out along the rotational axis of the system, creating a bipolar flow. (d) The infall terminates, revealing a newly formed star with a circumstellar disk.

# MAGNETIC FIELDS

e.g. Crutcher (1999, 2012), Bourke et al. (2001),  
Heiles & Crutcher (2005), Crutcher et al. (2010)



Critical mass to flux ratio to prevent gravitational collapse

Field strengths too small to prevent collapse!

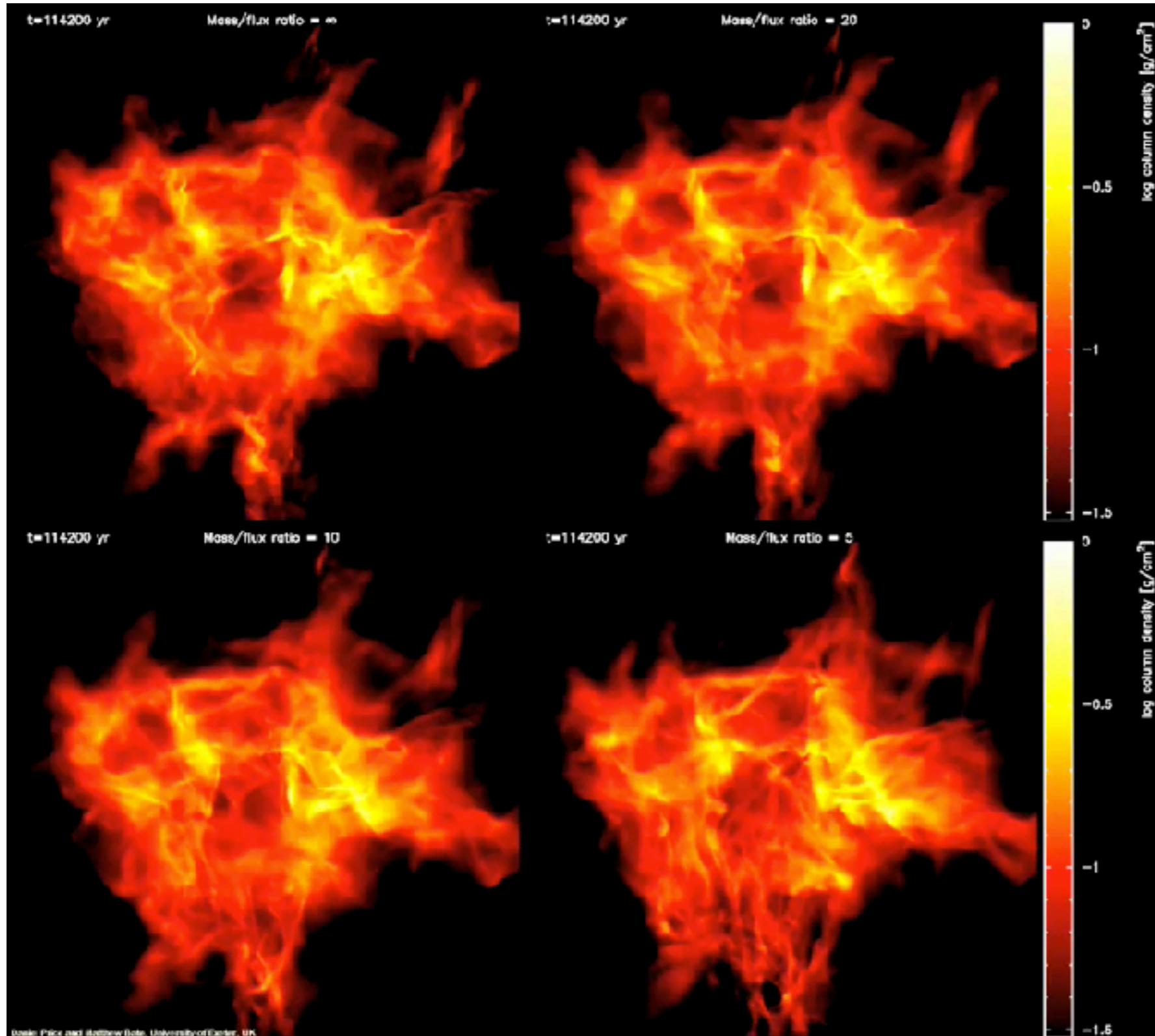
Lots of other arguments against slow star formation (see review by Mac Low & Klessen 2004)

# TURBULENCE AND MAGNETIC FIELDS

*Goldsmith et al. (2008)*



# TURBULENCE-CONTROLLED STAR CLUSTER FORMATION



Price & Bate  
(2008, 2008)

Effect of magnetic fields:

Slower star formation rate:

Star formation less inefficient

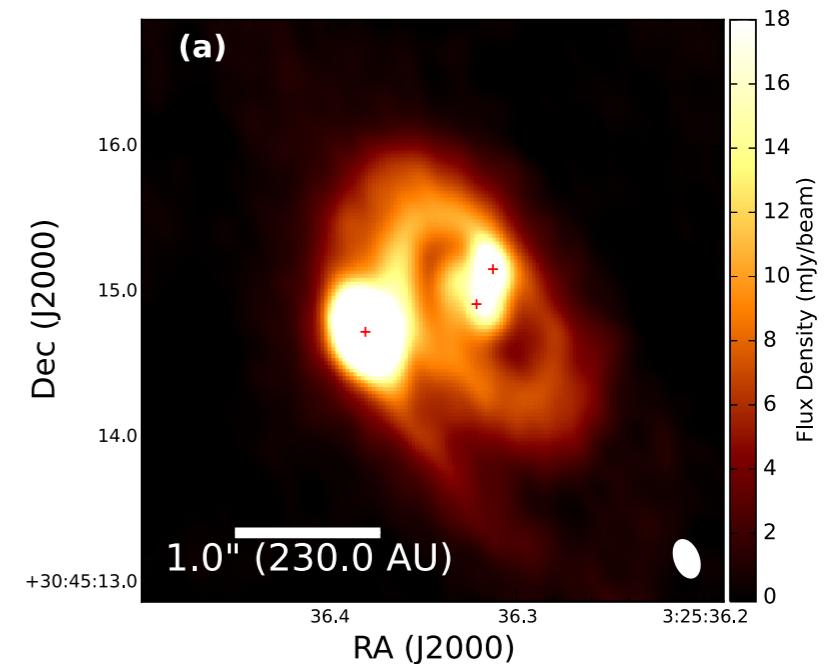
*Supercritical mass-to-flux ratios: magnetic fields do not prevent collapse*

# CHARACTERISTICS OF TURBULENCE-CONTROLLED STAR FORMATION

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- Fast, occurs on dynamical time ( $\sim 1\text{-}2\text{Myr}$ )
- Chaotic; dynamical interactions common
- Initial mass function arises from competition for mass
- Binary and multiple stars usual outcome
- Massive, gravitationally unstable discs in early phase
- Filaments! (c.f. Philippe André's talk)

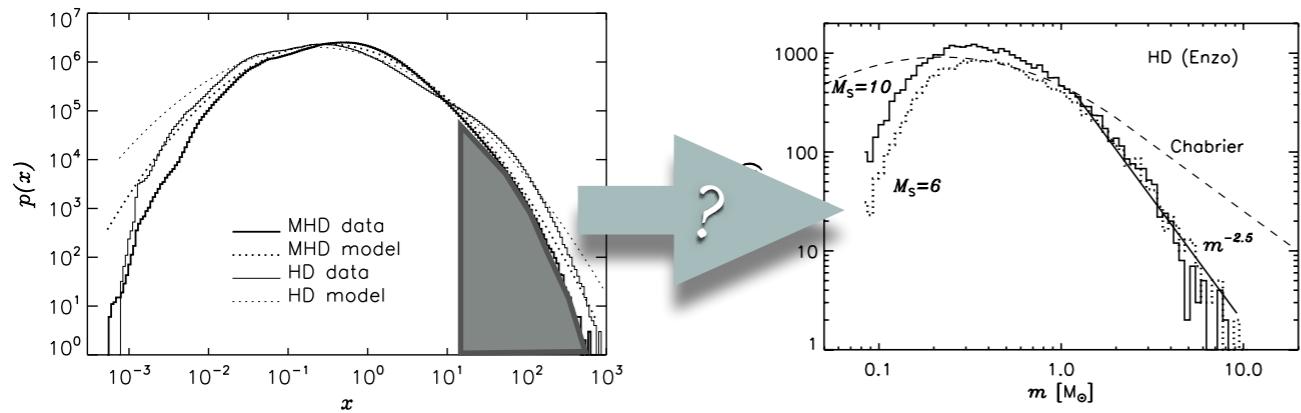
e.g. Larson (1978, 1981), Pringle (1989), Bate & Bonnell (1994a,b), Mac Low *et al.* (1999), Stone *et al.* (1998), Klessen *et al.* (2000), Bate *et al.* (2003), Elmegreen (2000), Mac Low & Klessen (2004), Bate & Bonnell (2005), Bonnell & Bate (2006), Bate (2009, 2012), Bate, Lodato & Pringle (2010)



Tobin *et al.* (2016)

# DOES TURBULENCE DETERMINE THE INITIAL MASS FUNCTION?

Liptai et al. (2017), see also Bertelli-Motta et al. (2016)

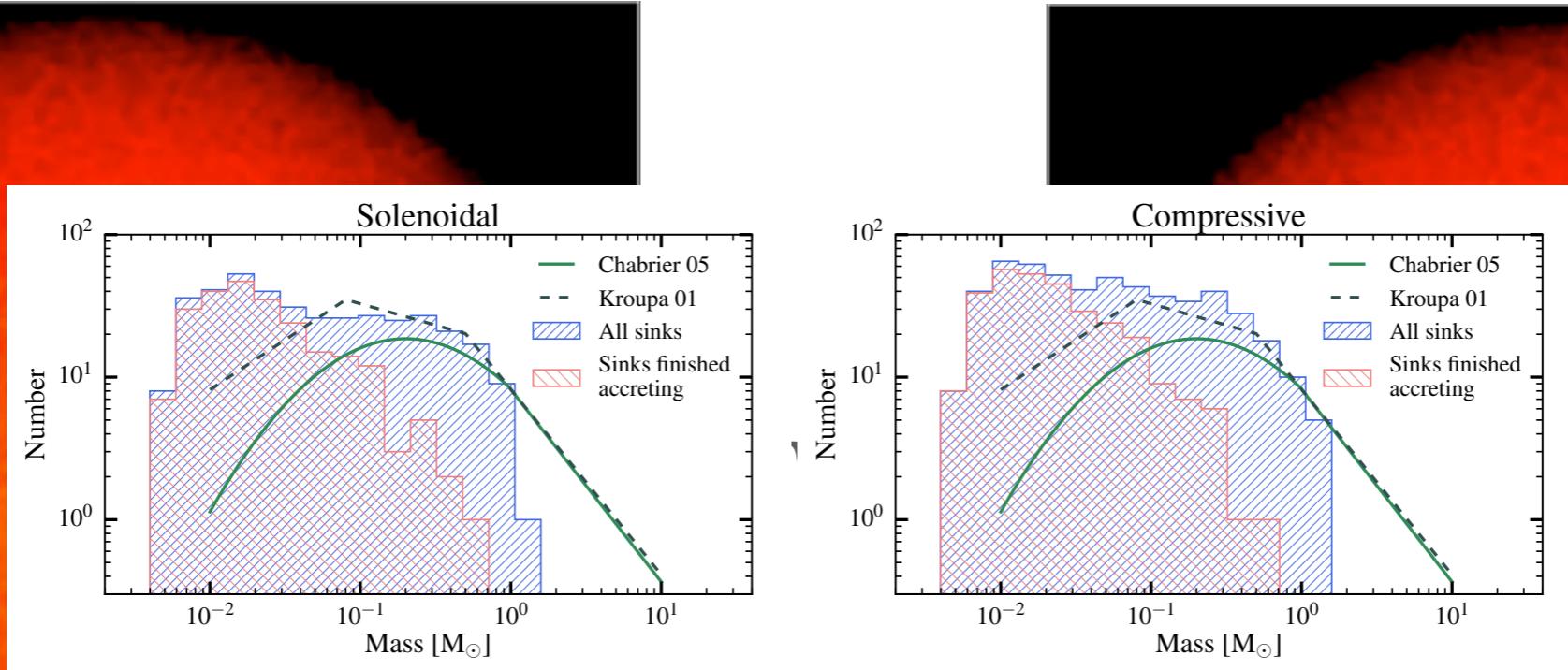


$$N(m) d \log m \propto m^{-3/(4-\beta)} \left[ \int_0^m p(m_J) dm_J \right] d \log m .$$

Can we map the PDF to the IMF?

e.g. Padoan and Nordlund (2002),  
Hennebelle & Chabrier (2008,2009),  
Hopkins (2012)

See Simon White's talk!



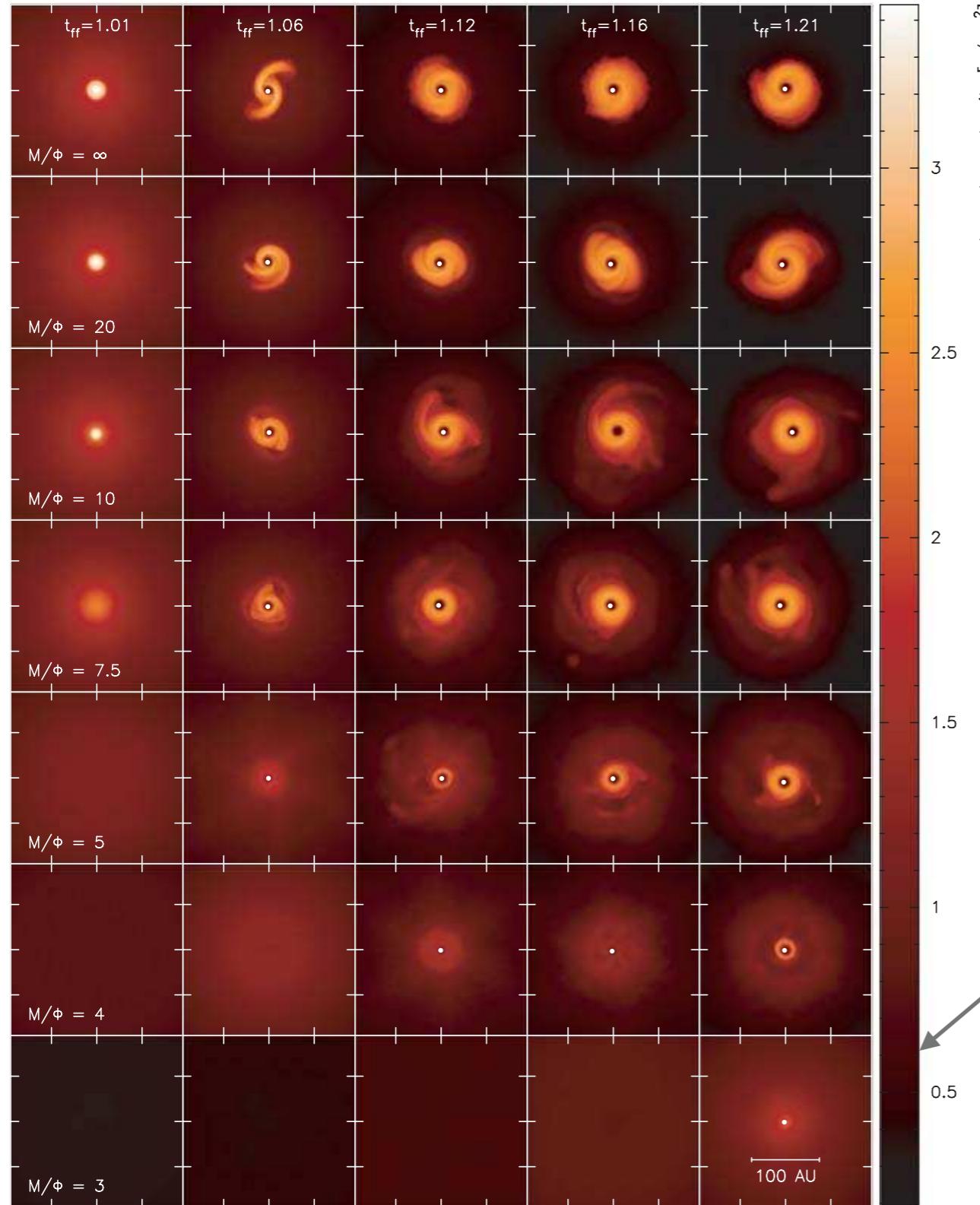
IMFs are statistically identical despite very different density PDFs!



0.2 pc

0.2 pc

# SMALL SCALES: MAGNETIC BRAKING CATASTROPHE



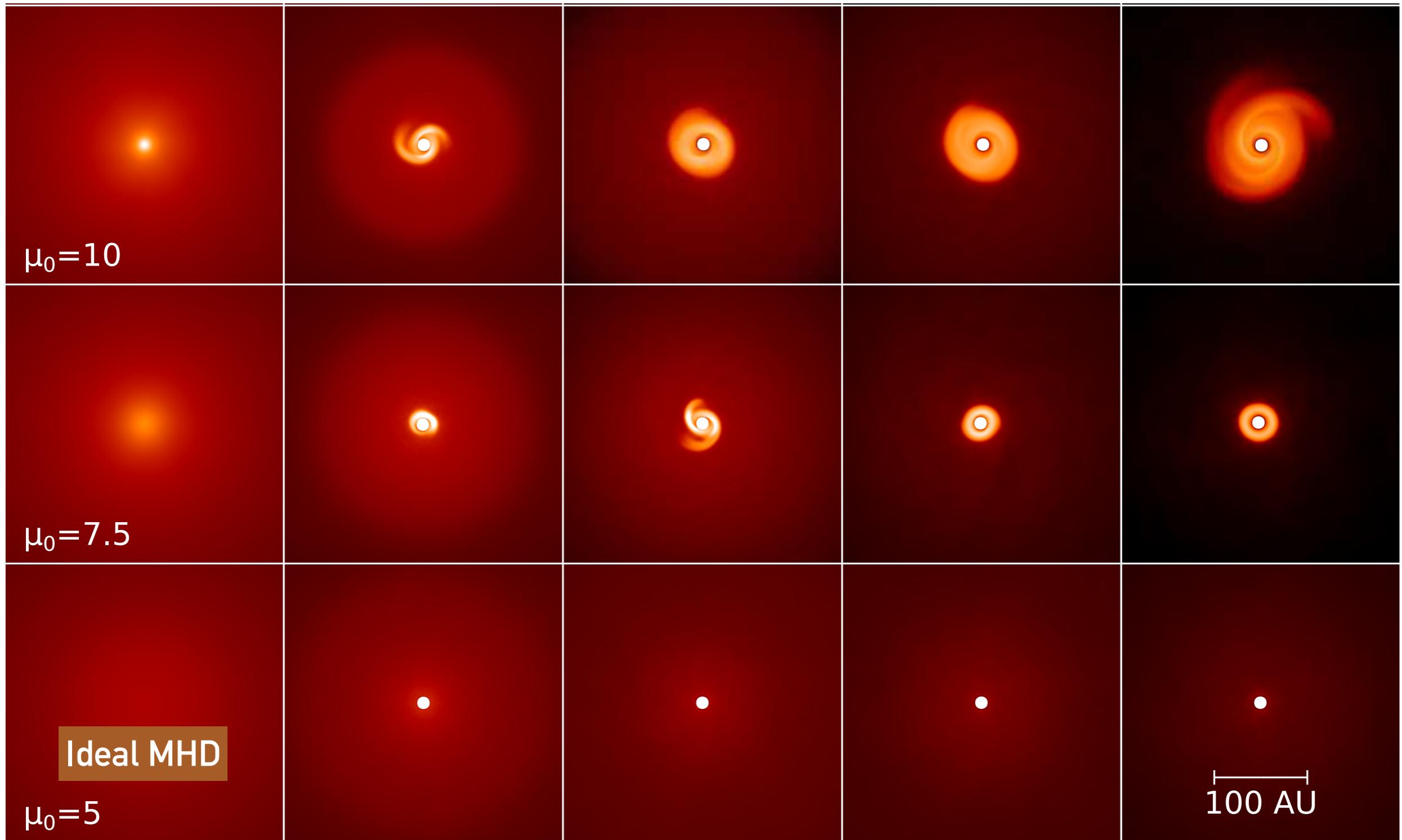
see Allen et al. (2003), Galli et al. (2006), Price & Bate (2007), Mellon & Li (2008), Hennebelle & Fromang (2008), Commerçon et al. (2010), Krasnopol'sky et al. (2010), Seifried et al. (2012), Santos-Lima et al. (2012), Joos et al. (2013) and many others

No discs in models  
with realistic  
magnetic field  
strengths

But assumed ideal MHD!

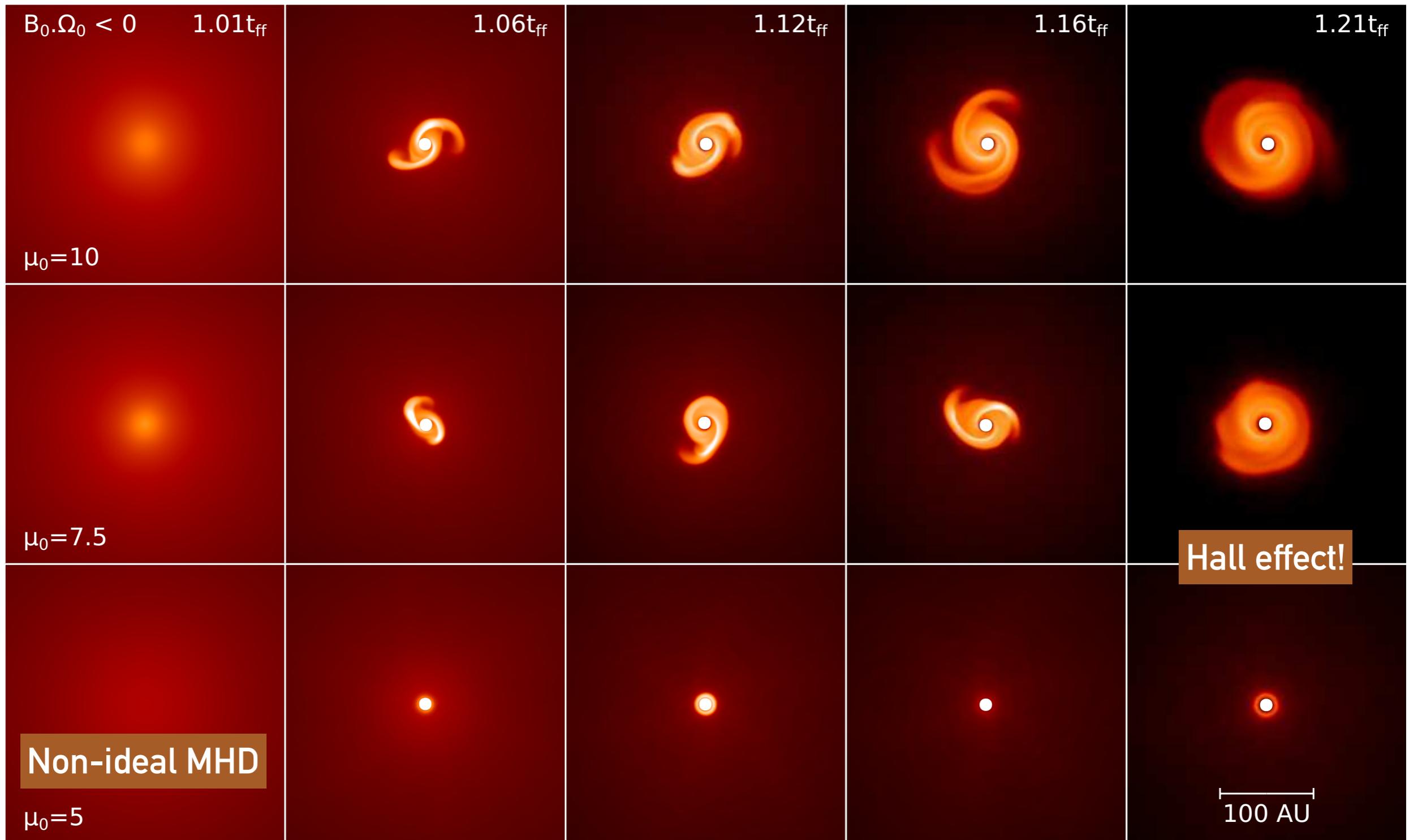
# CAN NON-IDEAL MHD SOLVE THE MAGNETIC BRAKING CATASTROPHE?

*Wurster, Price & Bate (2016)*



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Likely answer is combination of non-ideal MHD and turbulence

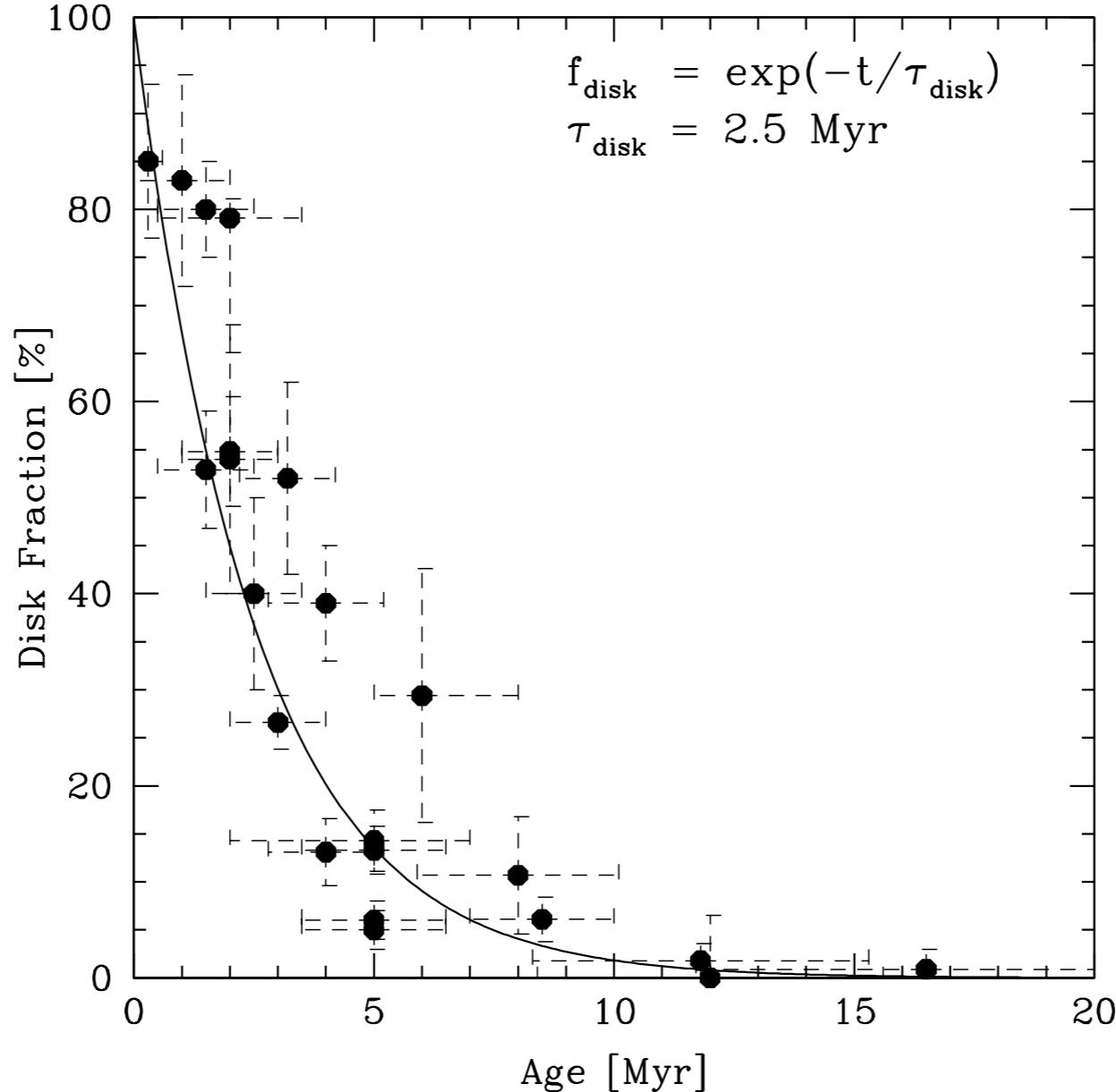
# STAR FORMATION: SUMMARY

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- Star formation is fast: Governed by turbulence on large scales (pc)
- Magnetic fields do not prevent gravitational collapse, but may help set star formation rate
- Magnetic braking catastrophe on small scales ( $\sim 100$  au) can be solved with turbulence + non-ideal MHD
- Dynamical interactions, radiation + non-ideal MHD dominate on scales  $< 100$  au
- No fossil fields in stars (embargoed)

# PLANET FORMATION - FAST OR SLOW?

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Mamajek (2009)

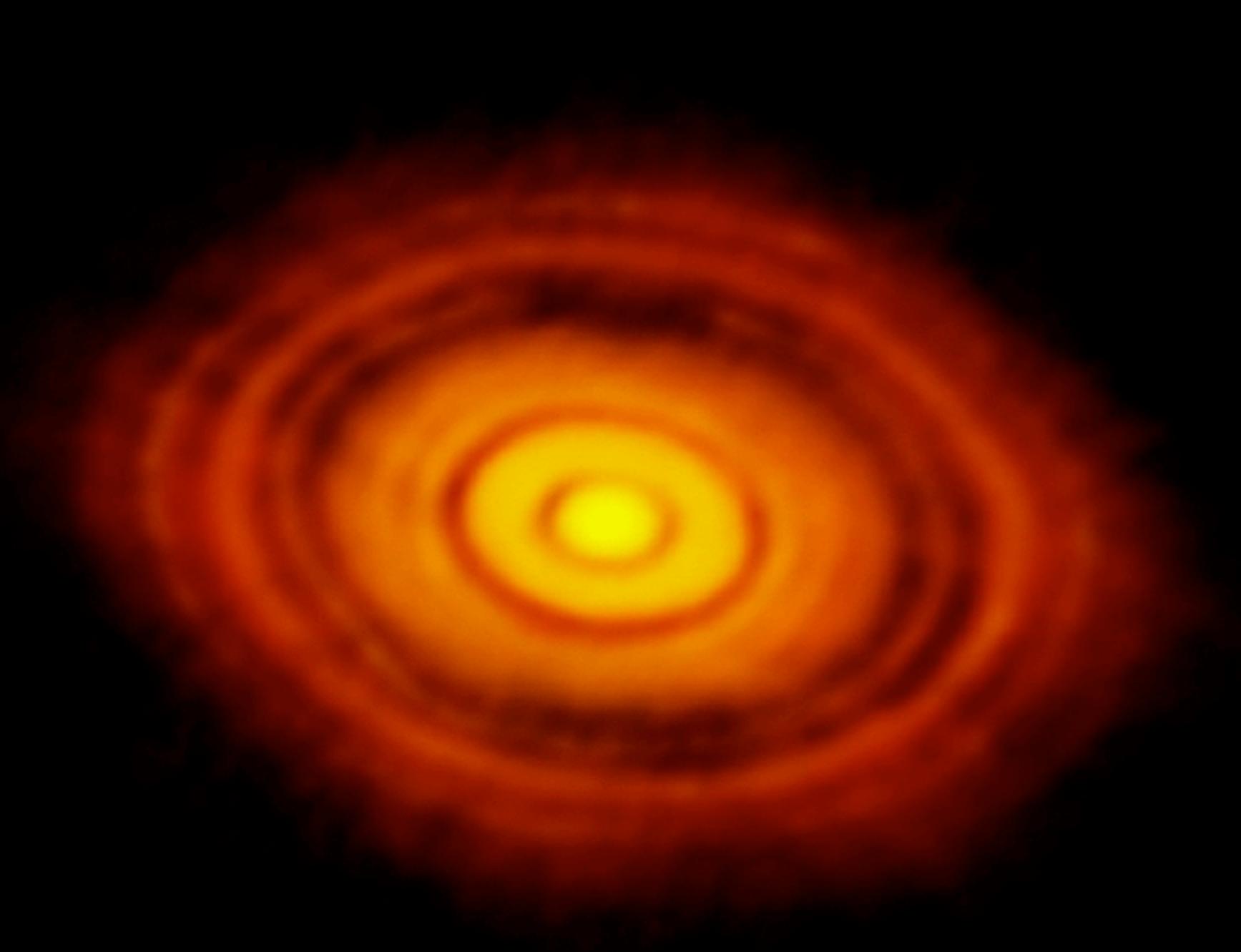
Lifetime of protoplanetary disc  $\sim 10$  Myr

# TRADITIONAL VIEW

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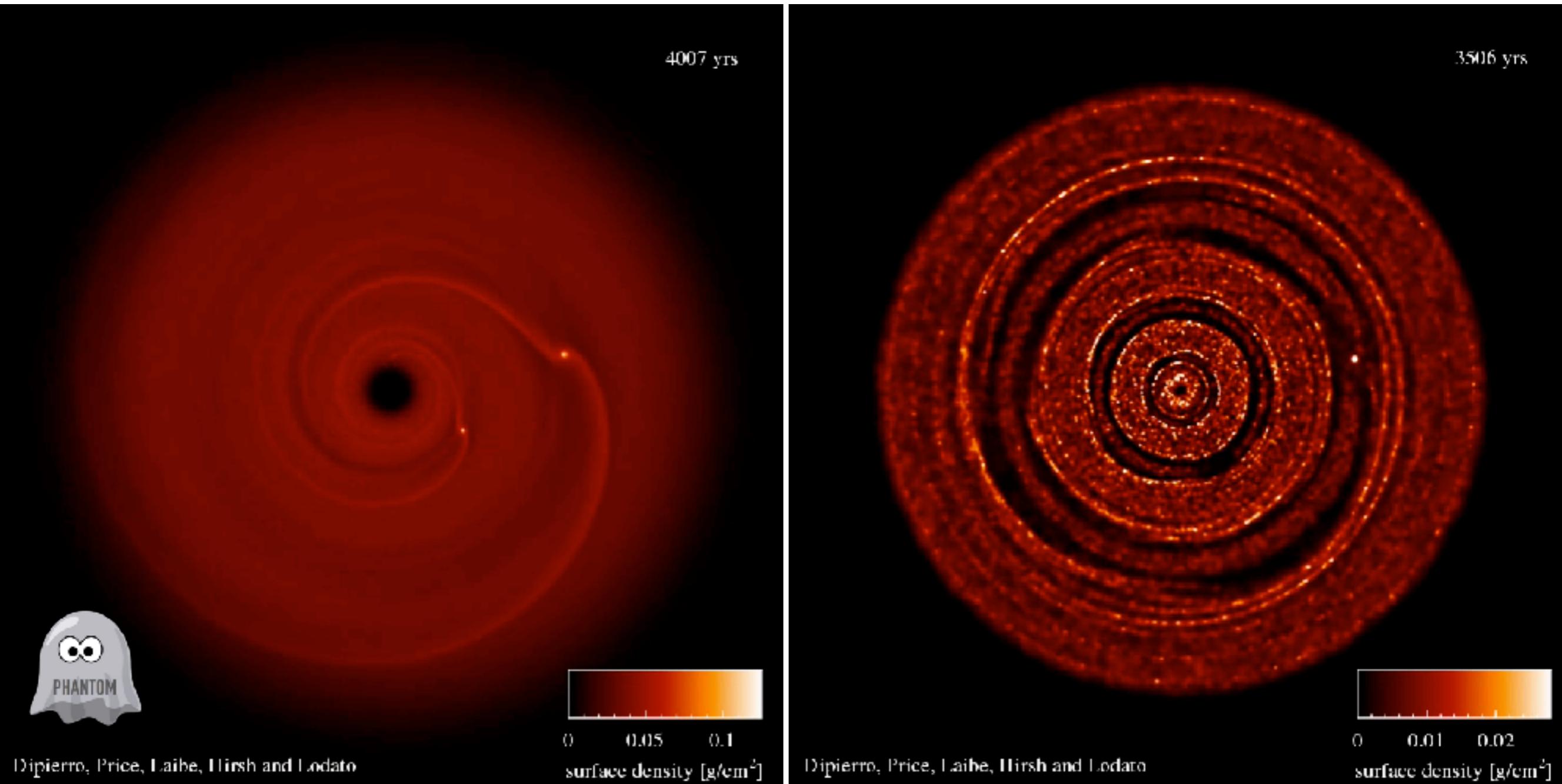
# PLANET FORMATION IN THE TAURUS MOLECULAR CLOUD



*ALMA collaboration et al. (2015)*

# DUST, GAS AND PLANETS IN HL TAU

*Dipierro et al. (2015)*

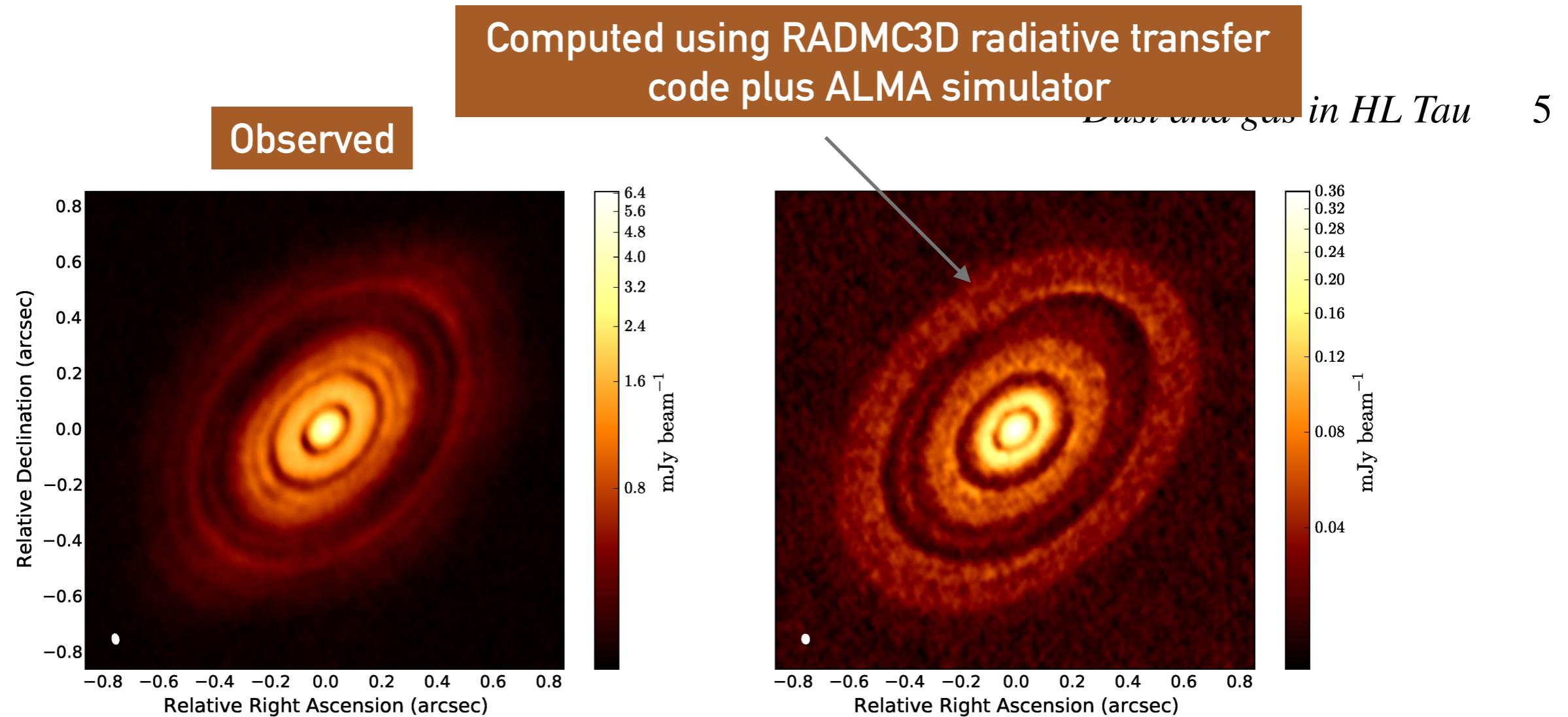


*Gas*

*mm grains*

# COMPARISON

Dipierro, Price, et al. (2015), MNRAS 453, L73-L77



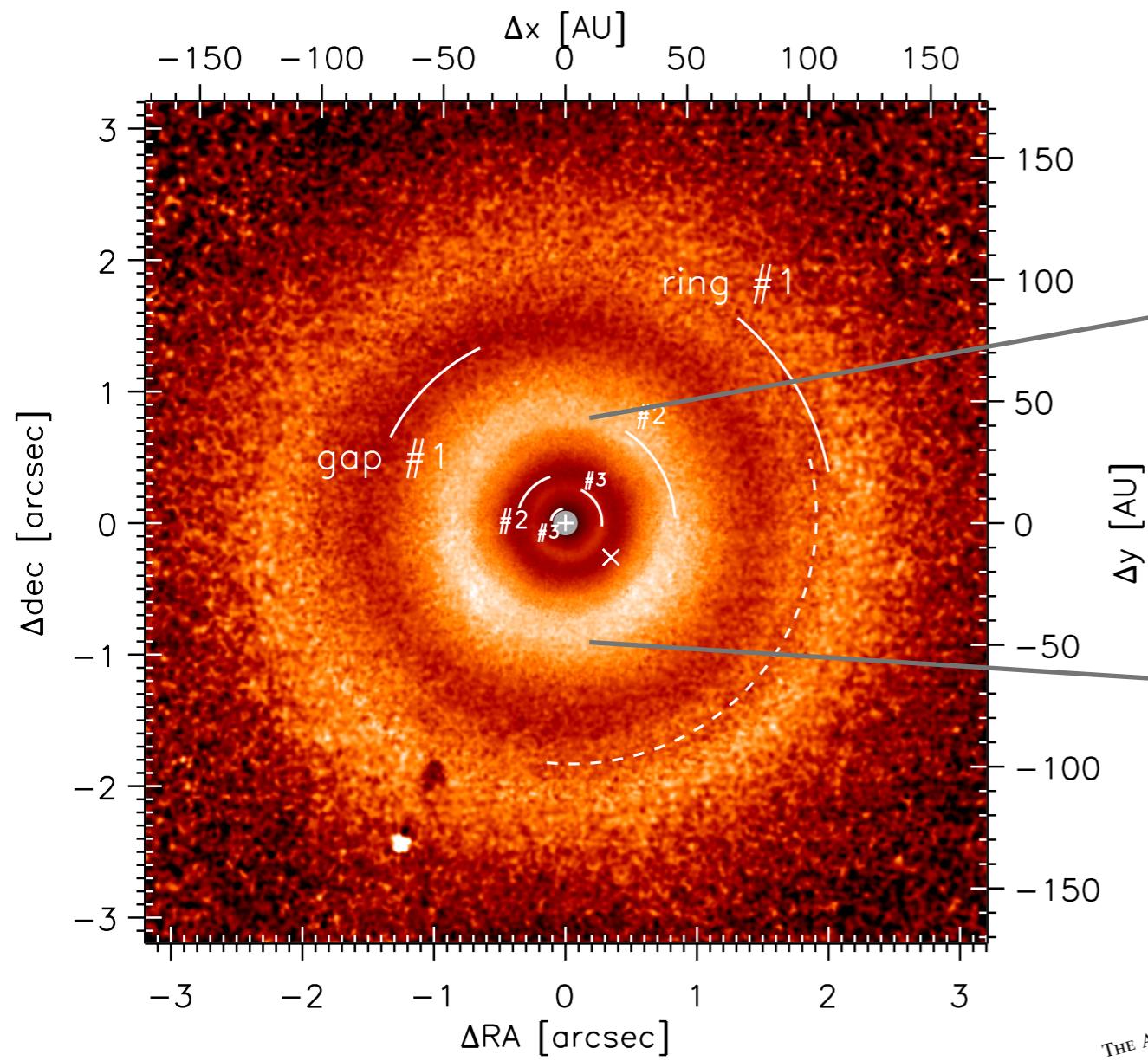
**Figure 4.** Comparison between the ALMA image of HL Tau (left) with simulated observations of our disc model (right) at band 6 (continuum emission at 233 GHz). The white colour in the filled ellipse in the lower left corner indicates the size of the half-power contour of the synthesized beam: (left)  $0.035 \text{ arcsec} \times 0.022 \text{ arcsec}$ , P.A.  $11^\circ$ ; (right)  $0.032 \text{ arcsec} \times 0.024 \text{ arcsec}$ , P.A.  $6^\circ$ .

But need 3 x Saturn-mass planets in less than 1 million years!

*Similar conclusions reached by Jin+ (2016), Picogna+ (2016)*

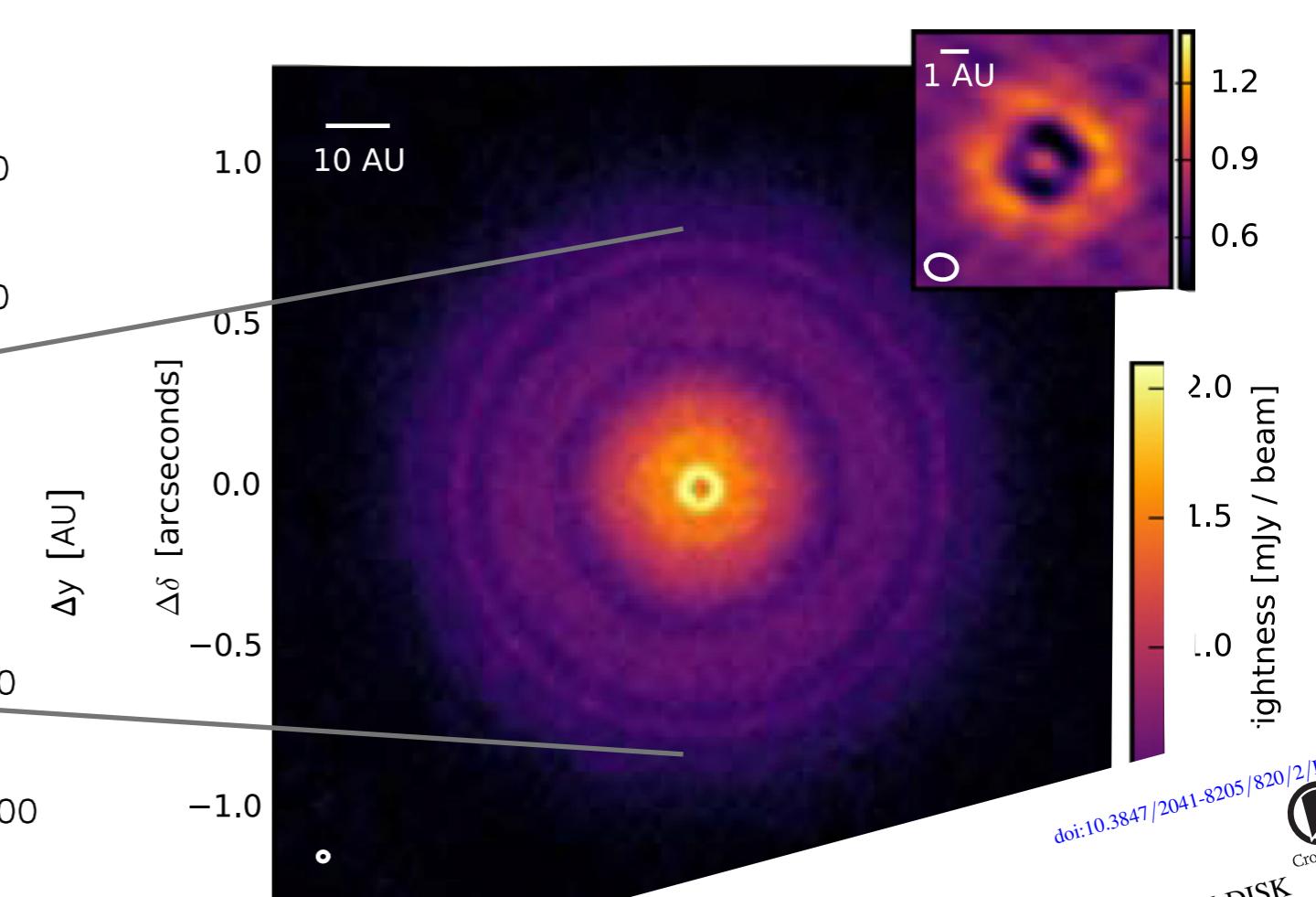
# TW HYA: OUR NEAREST PROTOPLANETARY DISC

Ask Sean Andrews!



THREE RADIAL GAPS IN THE DISK OF TW HYDRAE IMAGED WITH SPHERE

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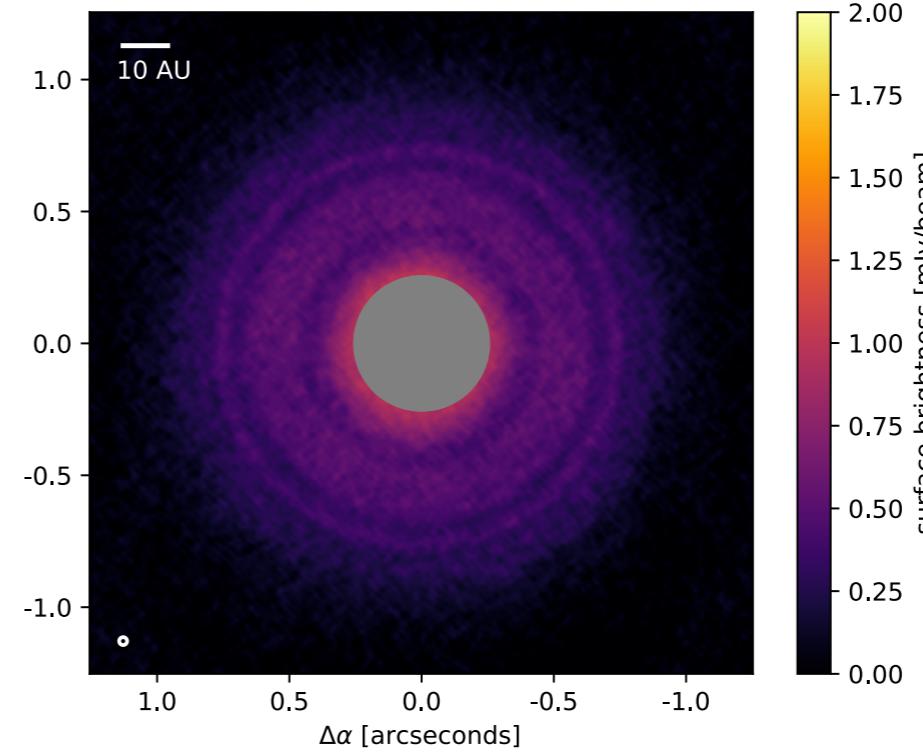
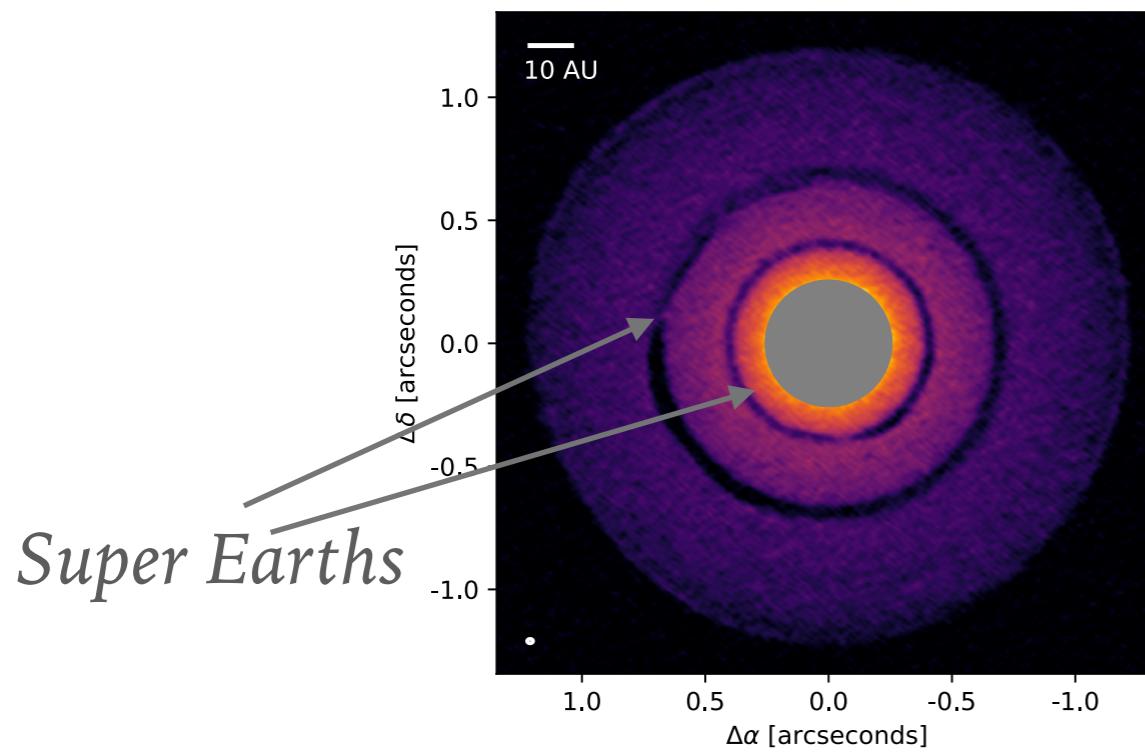
RINGED SUBSTRUCTURE AND A GAP AT 1 au IN THE NEAREST PROTOPLANETARY DISK  
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# TW HYA MODELLING

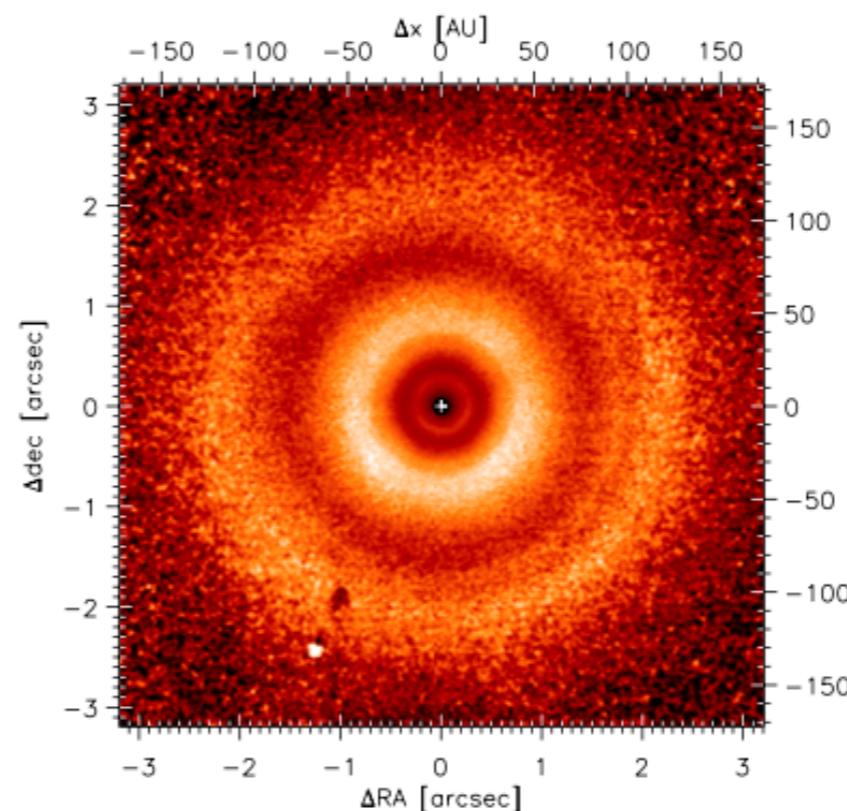
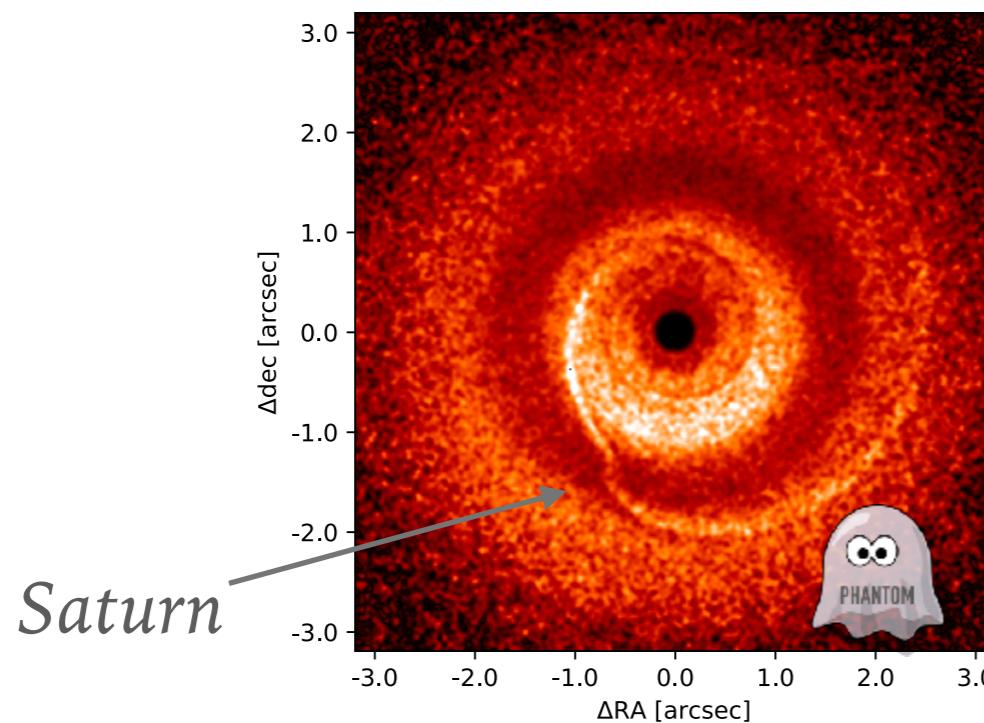
Mentiplay, Price & Pinte (in prep)

Super-earths in TW Hya



Left: Our simulation

Right:  
Andrews et al. (2016)

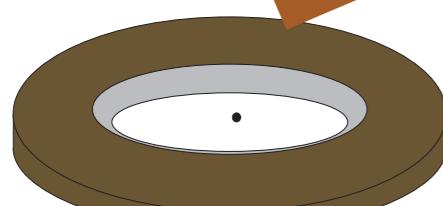
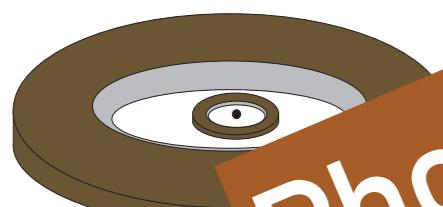
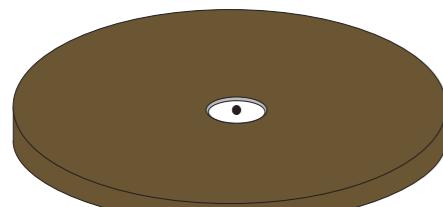
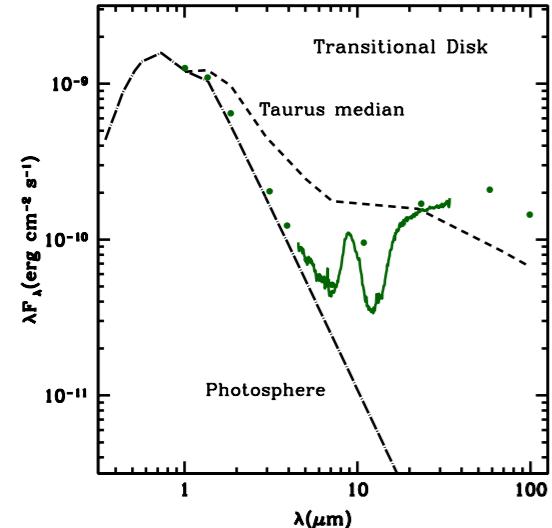


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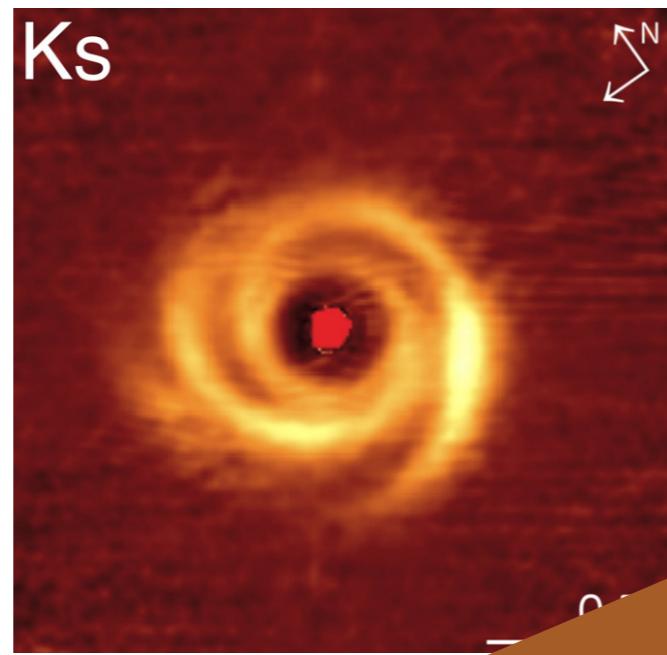
Right: Van Boekel et al. (2017)

# "TRANSITION" DISCS

Strom et al. (1989), Calvet et al. (2005),  
Espaillat et al. (2014), Casassus (2016),  
Owen (2016)



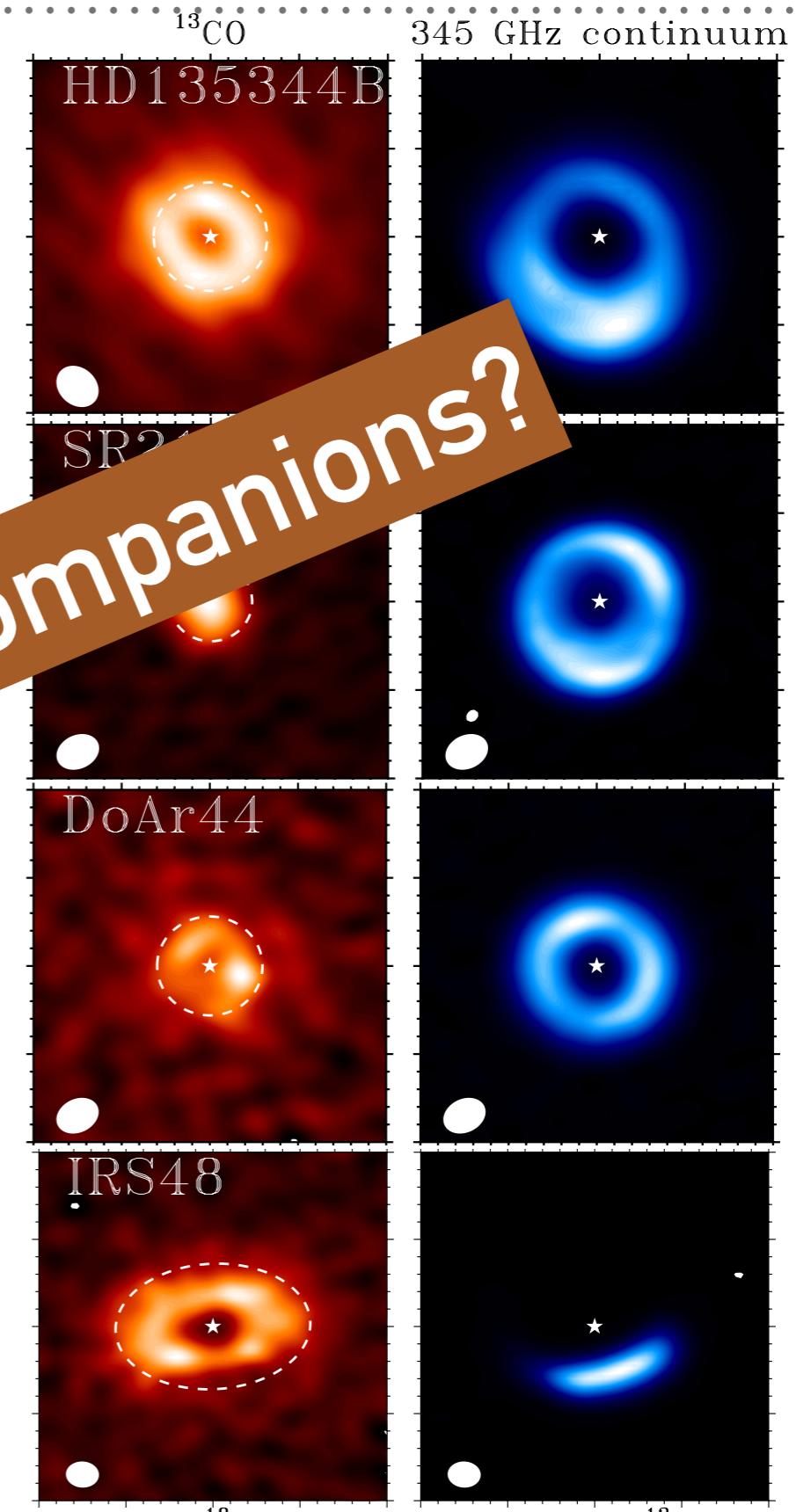
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Garufi et al. (2014)



Benisty et al. (2016)

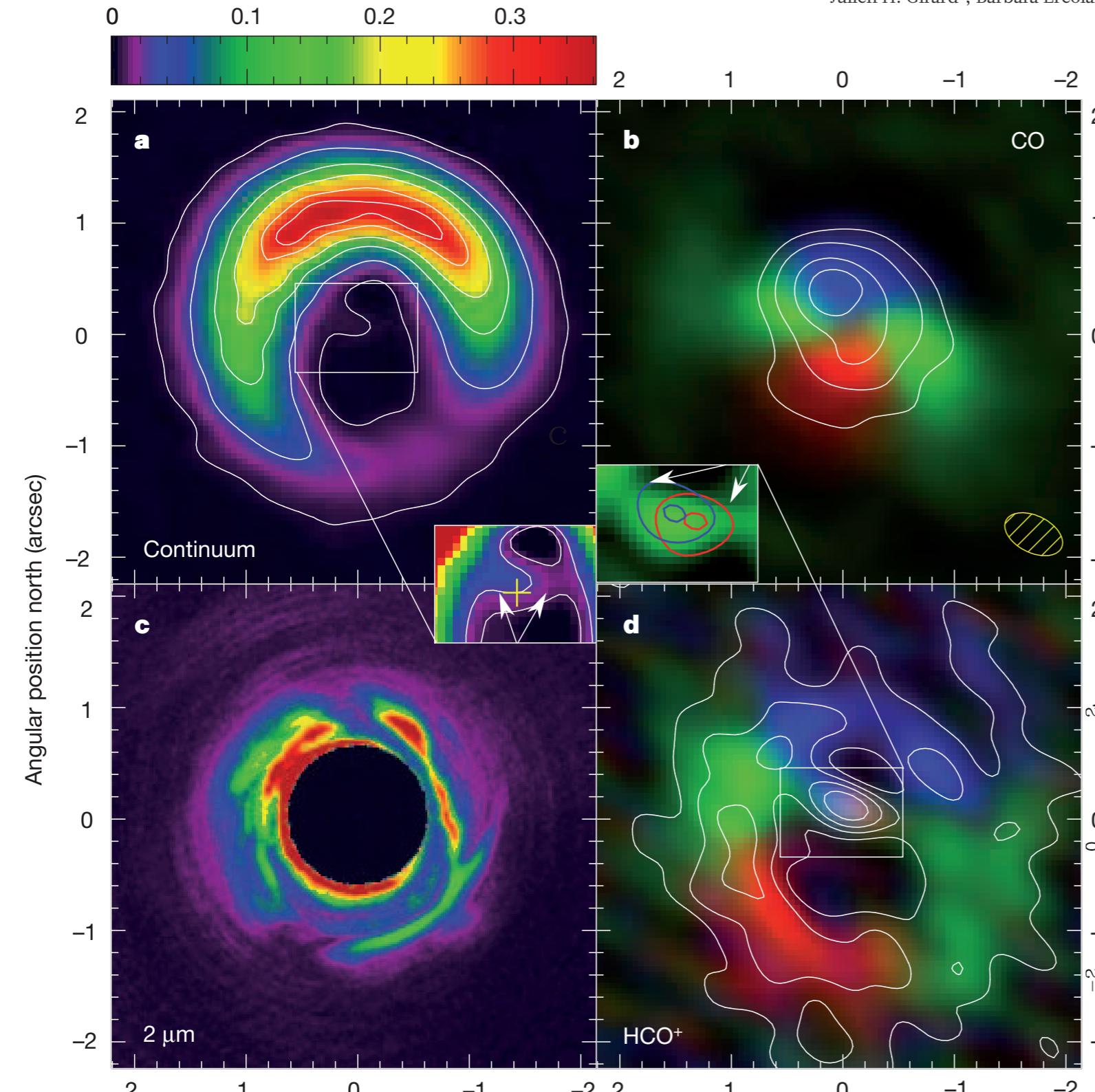


Van-der-Marel et al. (2016)

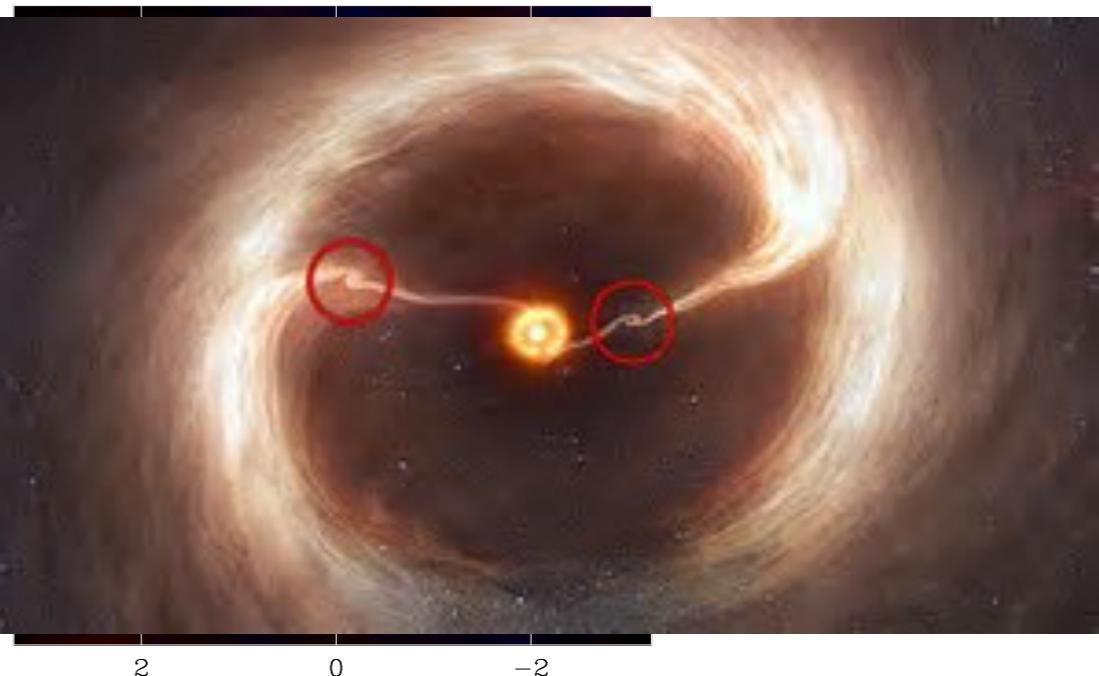
Photoevaporation or companions?

## Flows of gas through a protoplanetary gap

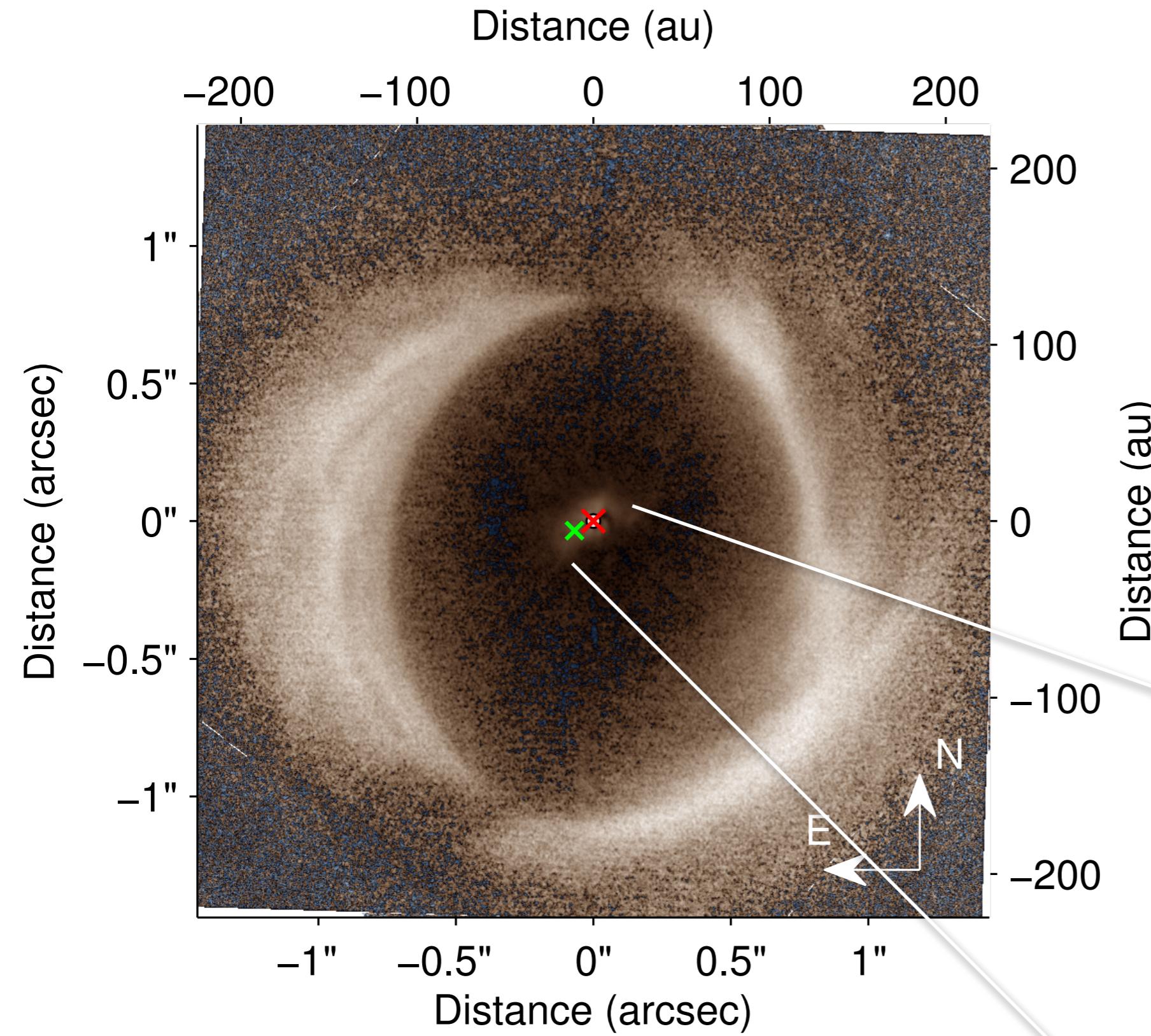
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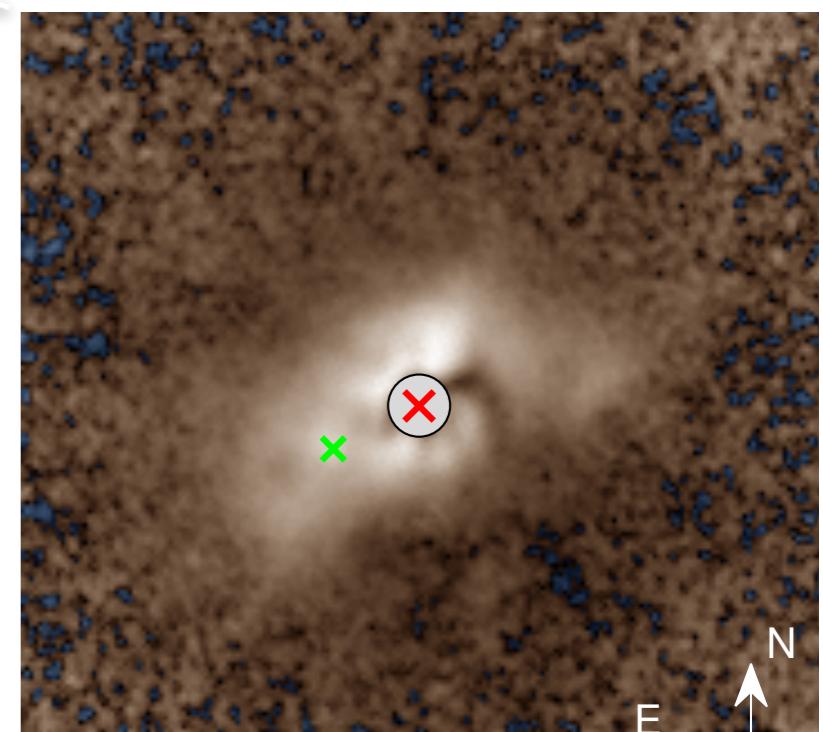
- Large  $\sim 100$  au cavity
- Horseshoe in mm emission
- Gap-crossing filaments?



# SPIRAL ARMS

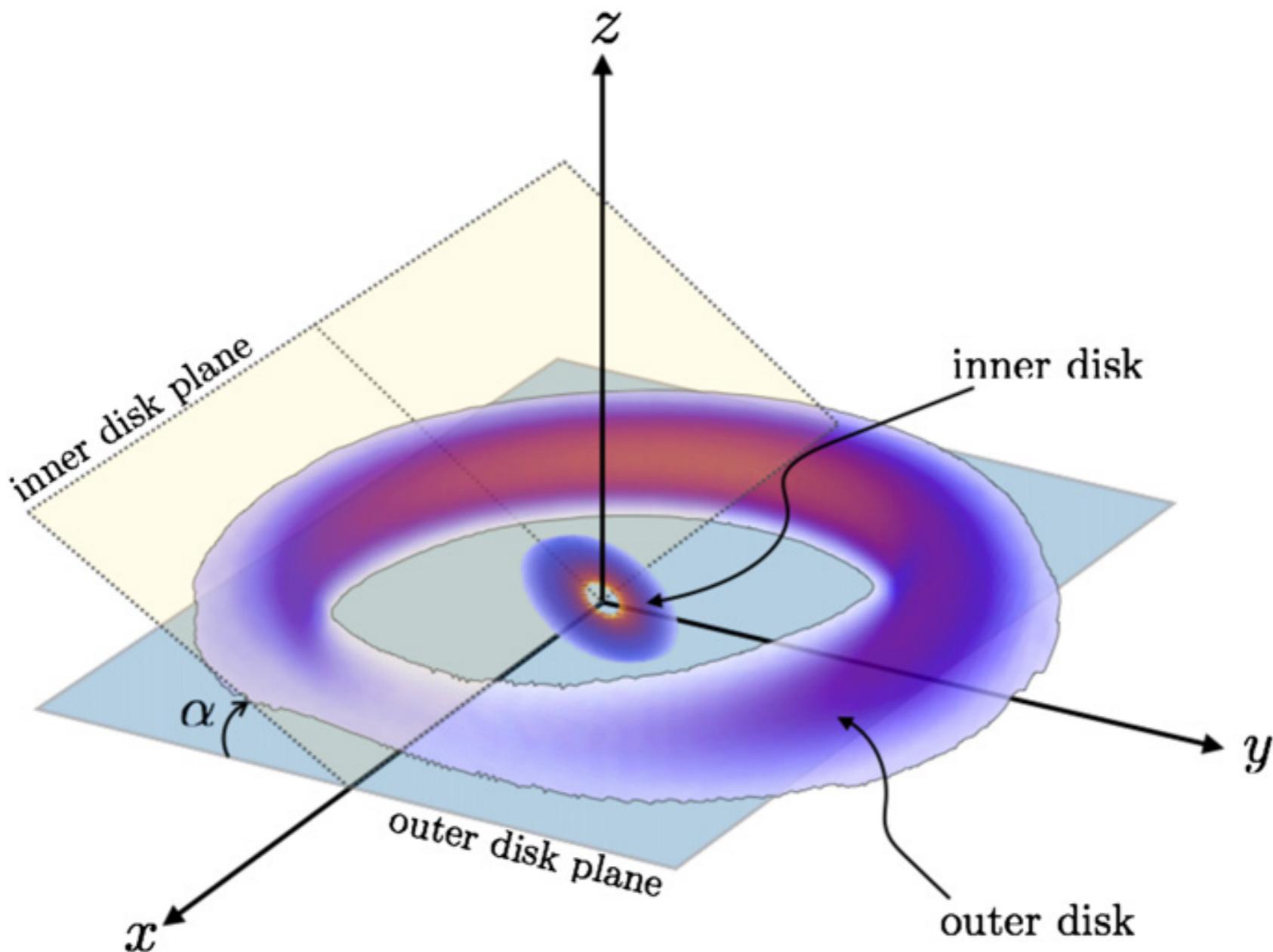


*VLT-SPHERE Image of  
HD142527  
(Avenhaus+ 2017)*



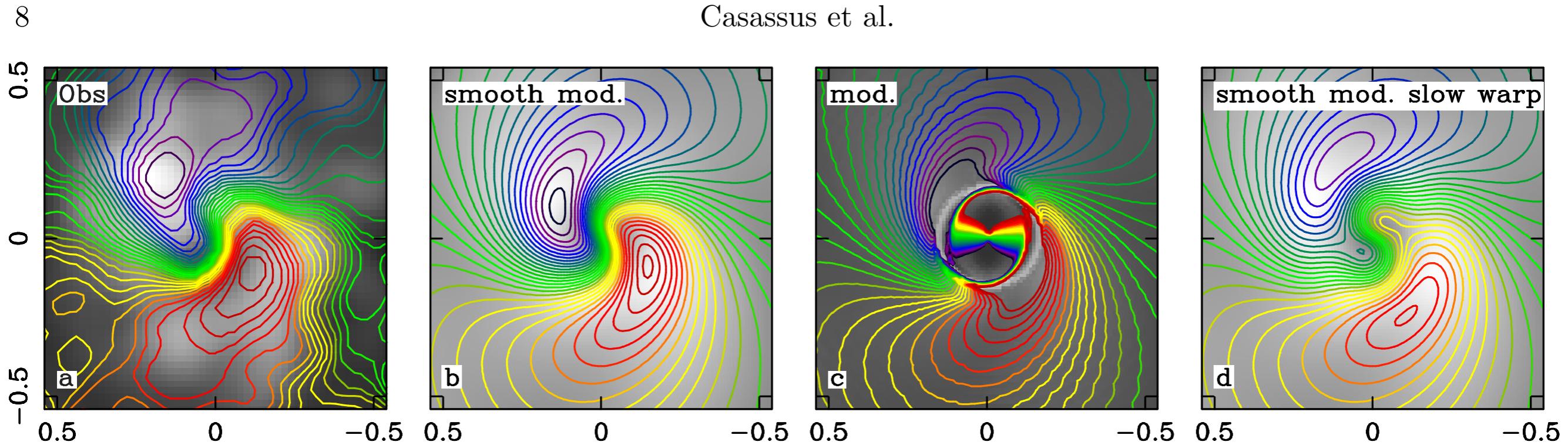
# SHADOWS = INCLINED INNER DISC?

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# “FAST RADIAL FLOWS” = DISC TEARING?

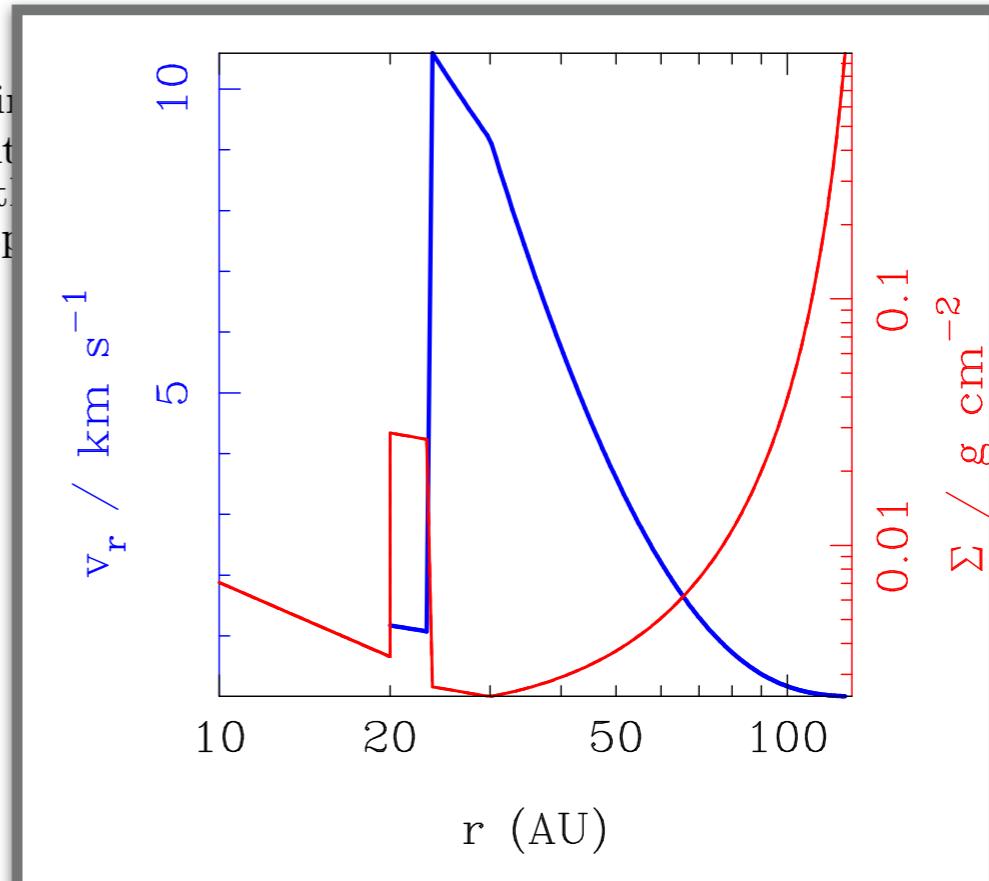
Casassus et al.



**Figure 7.** Comparison of observed and model CO(6-5) kinematics in the stellar position. Velocity-integrated intensity in CO(6-5) is shown in grayscale. Color bars indicate velocity, which are spread over  $[0.21, 7.87] \text{ km s}^{-1}$  (as in Fig. 1). **a**): Observed moment after radiative transfer prediction, after smoothing to the resolution of the observations. **b**): Smooth model without smoothing. Regions without contours near the origin correspond to regions where the velocity component perpendicular to the disk plane ( $v_{\text{warp}}$  in the text).

dubbed disk tearing (Nixon et al. 2013; Nealon et al. 2015; Doğan et al. 2015), where nodal precession torques induced by the binary produce a warp at the inner edge

*Require infall motions from cavity edge  
at the free-fall velocity!*



ordinates is set to constant interval and segments extracted on model resolutions, in a slow velocity

companion on the 100 AU scale of the cavity. It is

# MODELLING HD142527

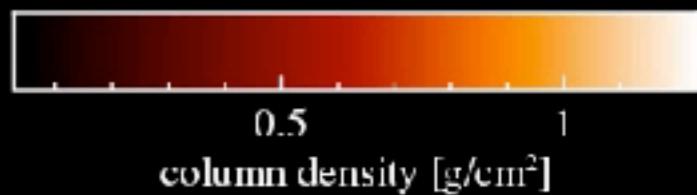
Price et al. (2018), arXiv:1803.02484

t=1710 yrs

Reproduces  
almost all of the  
weird  
observational  
features in  
HD142527



100 au



Almost polar alignment of binary to disc! c.f. Aly et al. (2015), Martin & Lubow (2017)

# SUMMARY

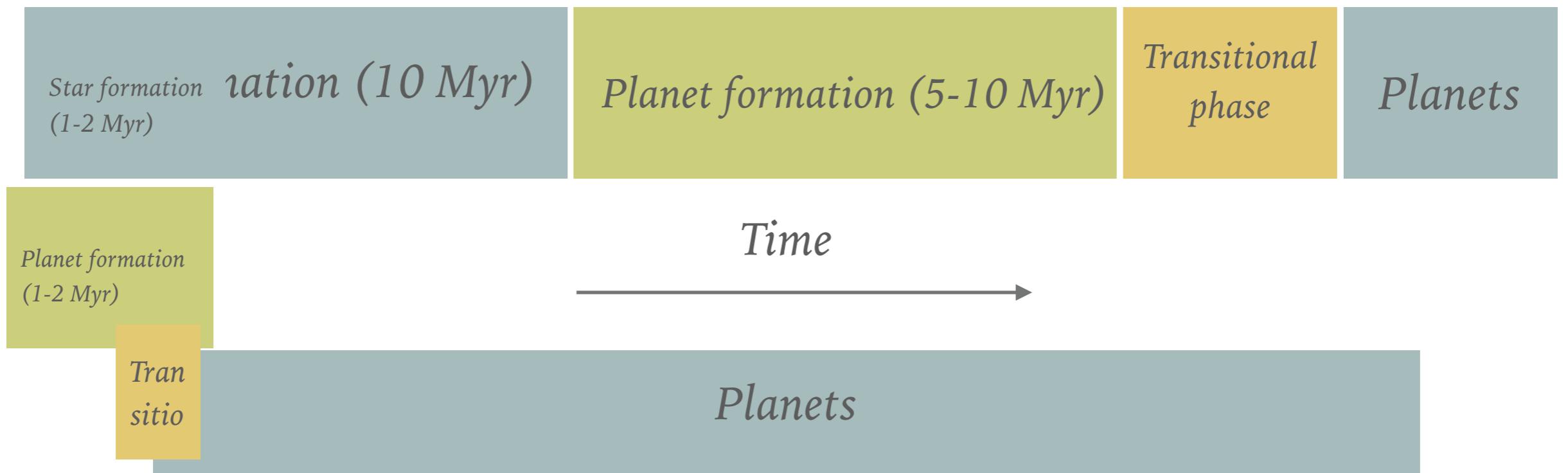
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- Every disc imaged so far shows signs of interaction with already-formed planets or low mass companions\*
- Lots of discs similar to HD142527 - disturbed morphologies, asymmetries, spirals. Suggests highly misaligned, eccentric companions are common?\*
- Discs with holes telling us about chaotic star formation - how discs are born - not how they die\*
- Suggests planet formation is FAST not slow\*

\* *This is controversial*

# NEW VIEW?

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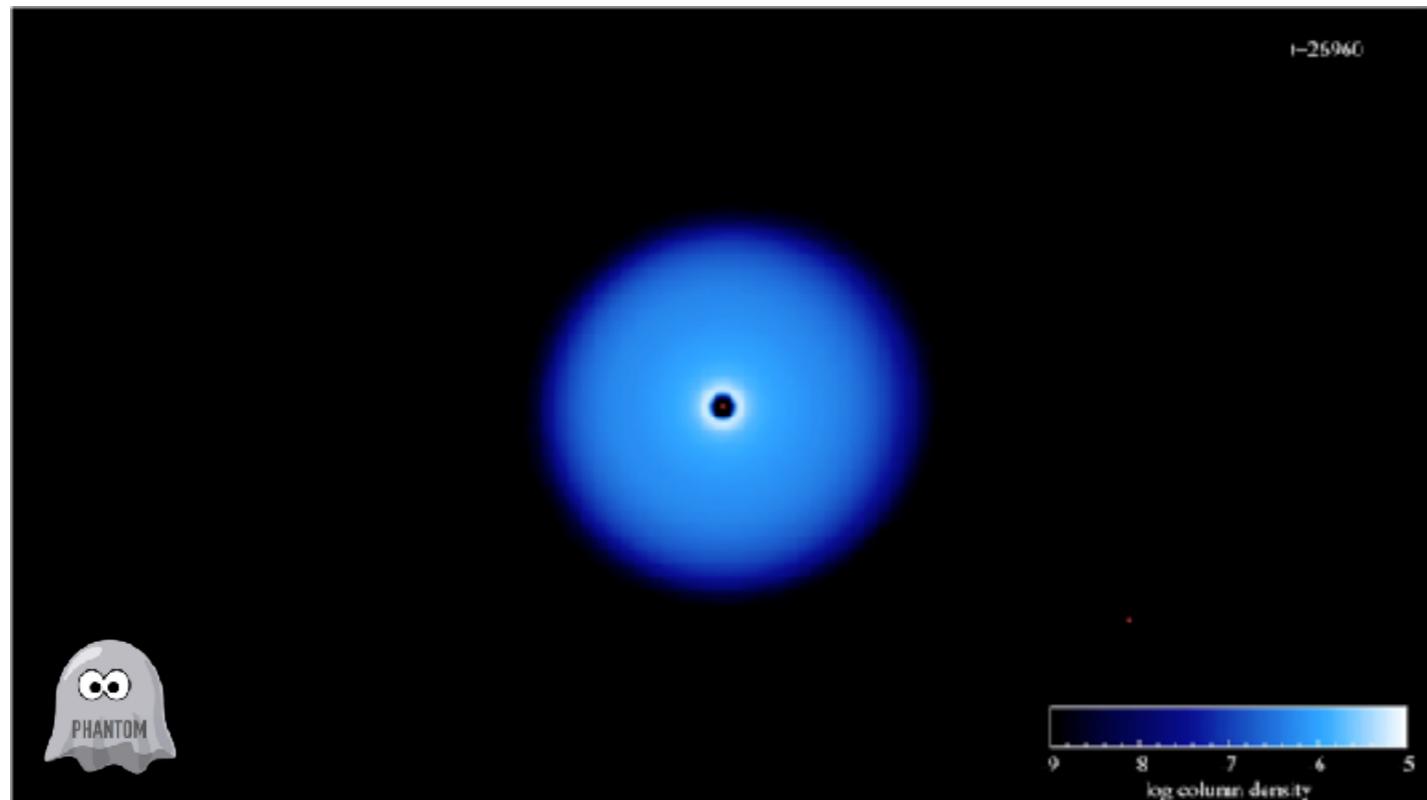


**Hypothesis: Star and planet formation  
are both fast, dynamical processes**

# PREDICTIONS:

*Lodato & Price (in prep)*

- Expect lots more discs with companions on wild orbits
- Discs around more massive stars should be more disturbed
- Rings and gaps will be found everywhere
- Tidal encounters common!



Reminds us  
of galaxy  
formation!

*Credit: Nicolás Cuello*