



The VLA Nascent Disk and Multiplicity (VANDAM) Survey of Perseus

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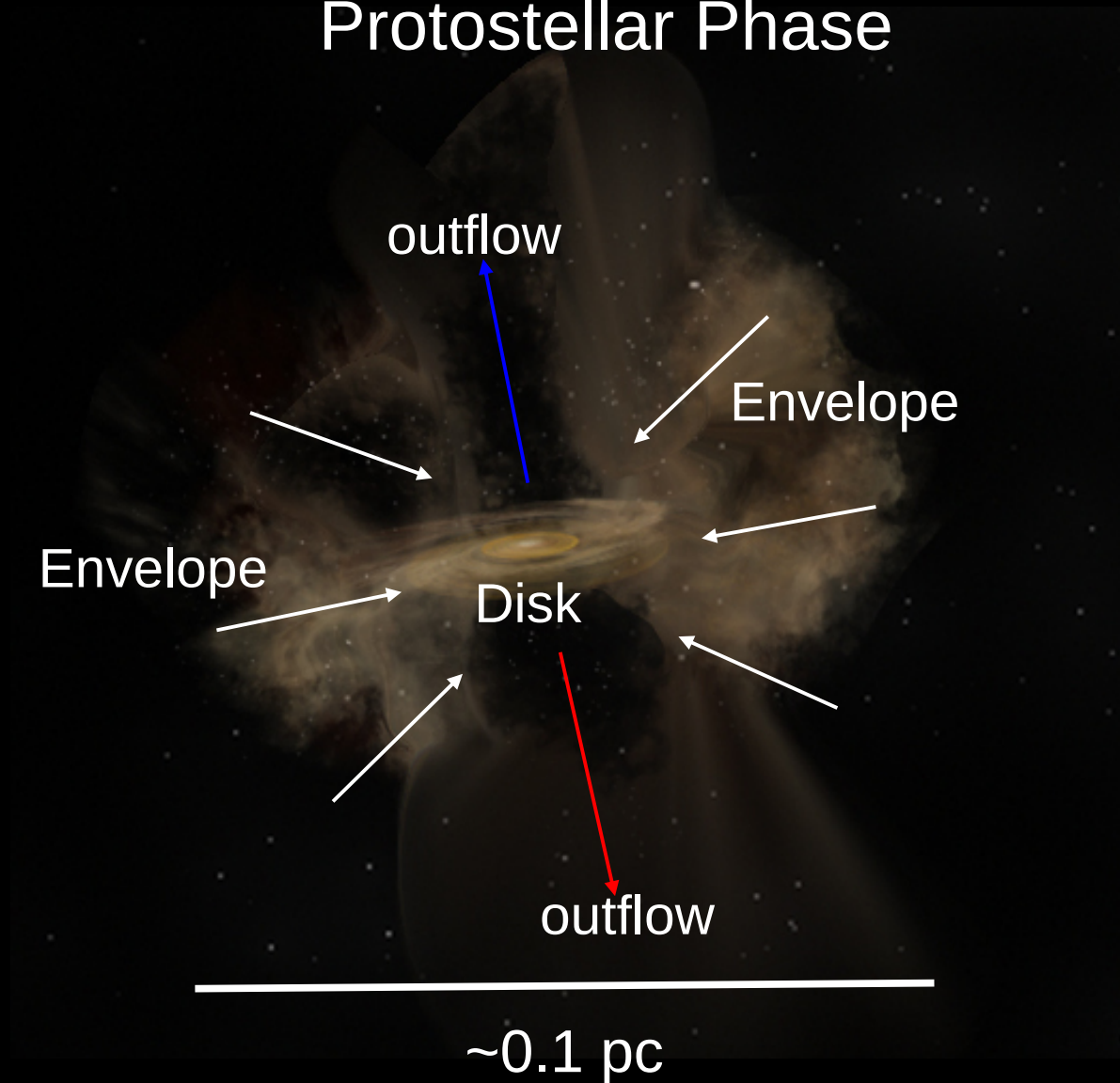


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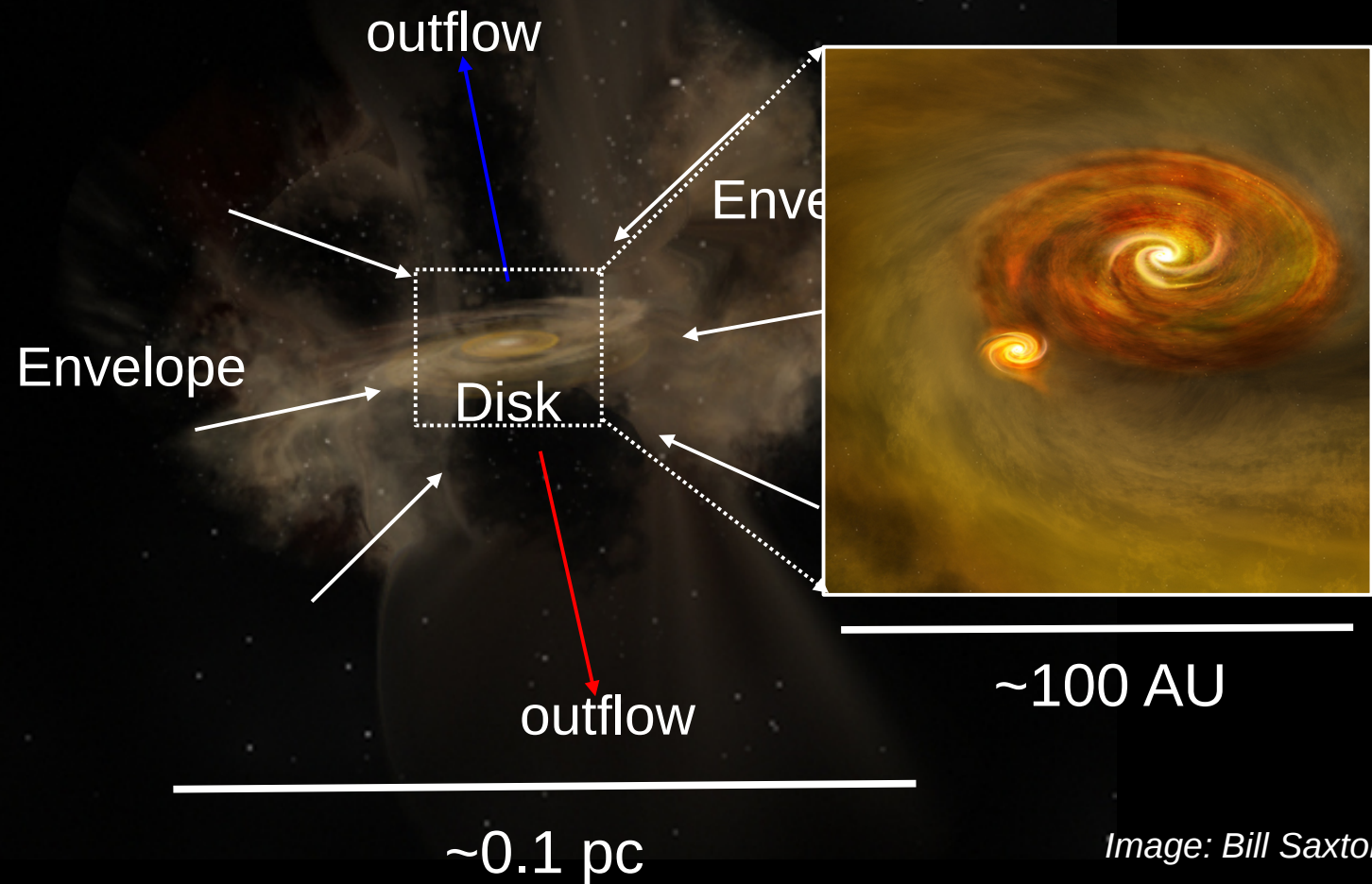
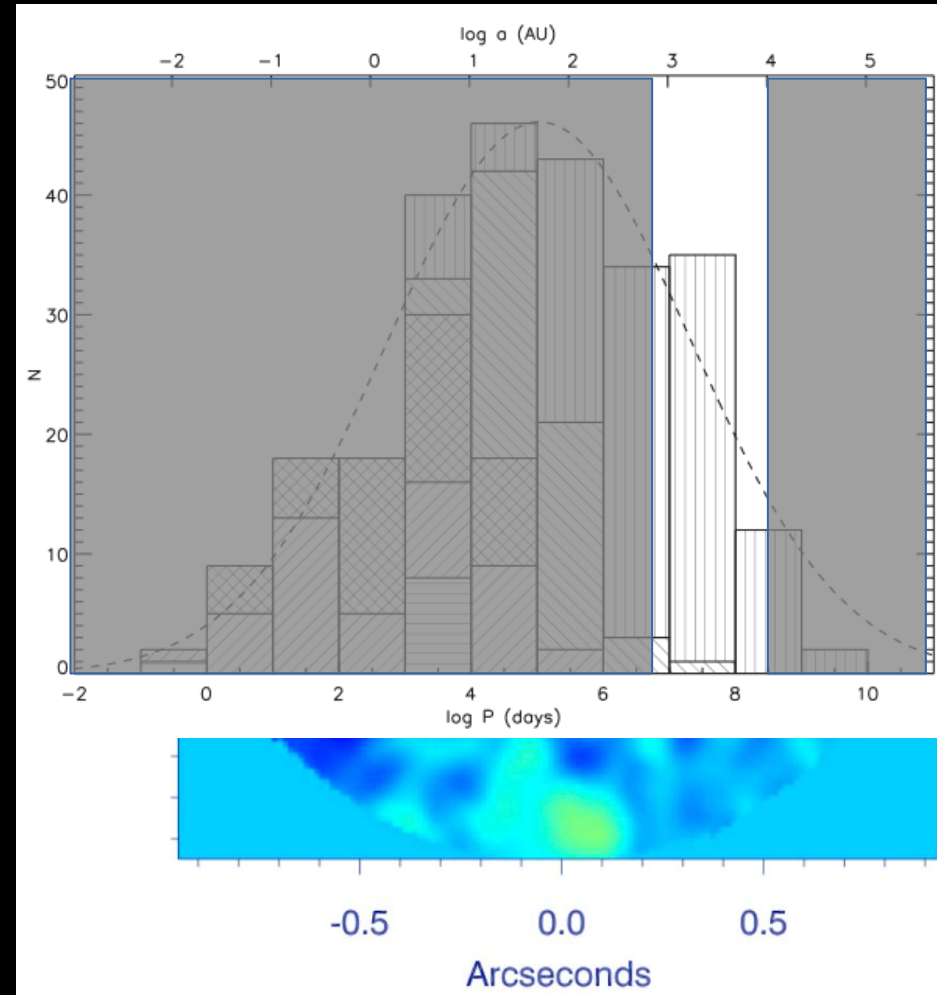


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Early Disks and Multiplicity

- About ~46% of solar-type stars in multiple systems
 - ~35% for M-stars
 - Observed distribution must have significantly evolved
 - Protostars 3x higher multiplicity
- Initial cond's of proto-planetary disks
 - Disk masses
 - Density profiles
 - Early grain growth
- Companion/planet formation via GI?
 - Disk must be massive
- 'Typical' protostellar disk is unknown



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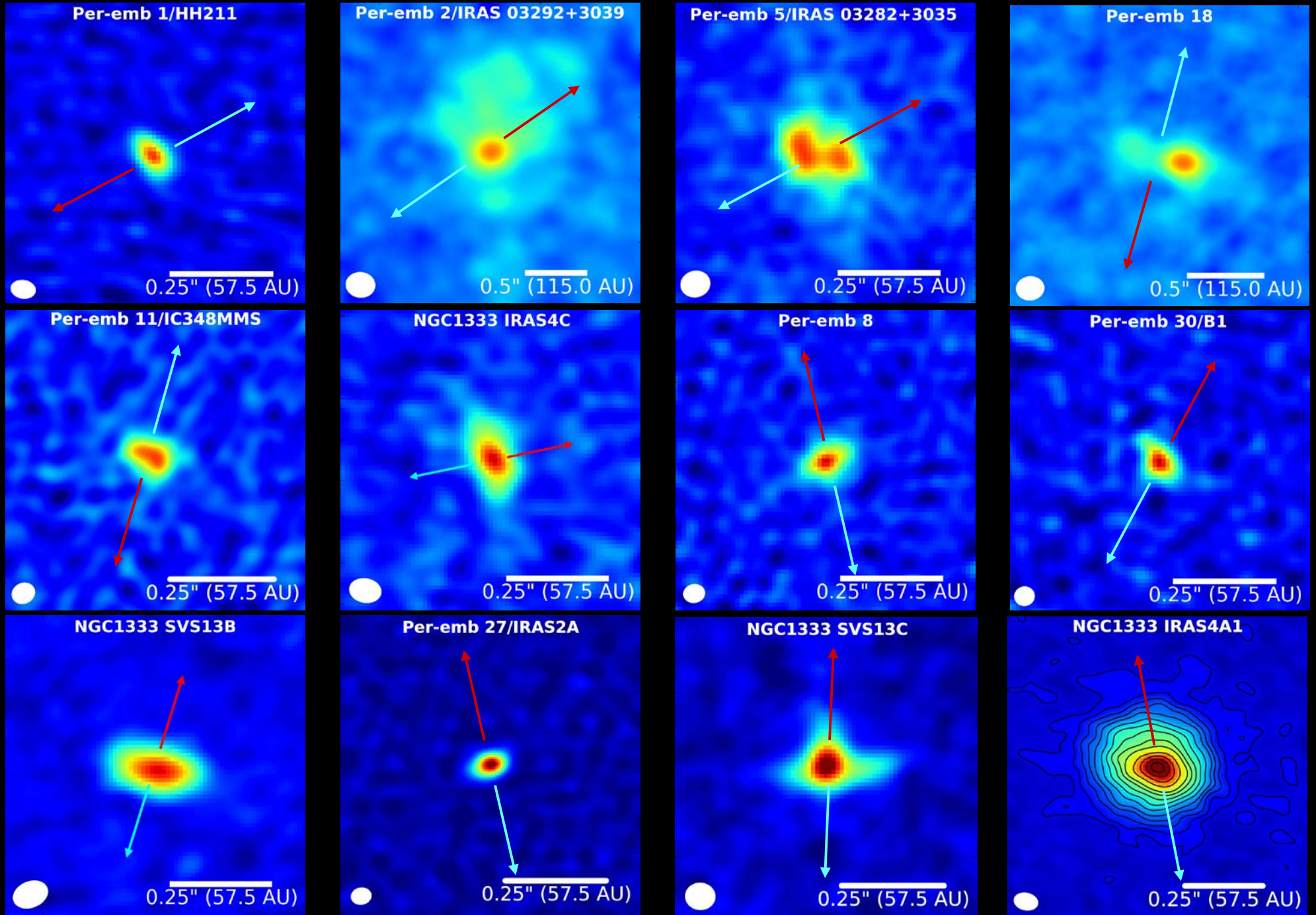
VLA Nascent Disk And Multiplicity (VANDAM) Survey

- 264 hour VLA large program
 - 8 mm/1 cm (207 hours) and 4 cm/6.4 cm (57 hours)
 - A and B configurations, 0.06" (15 AU) resolution
 - Perseus region ($d \sim 230$ pc), 92 YSOs (79 detected)
 - 43 Class 0, 37 Class I sources, 12 Class II
 - Luminosities range $0.1 L_{\text{sun}}$ to $30 L_{\text{sun}}$
- Goals:
 - Measure multiplicity fractions down to 15 AU
 - Resolve disks in dust continuum, measure dust masses
 - Protostellar jet properties
 - ...and changes with evolution

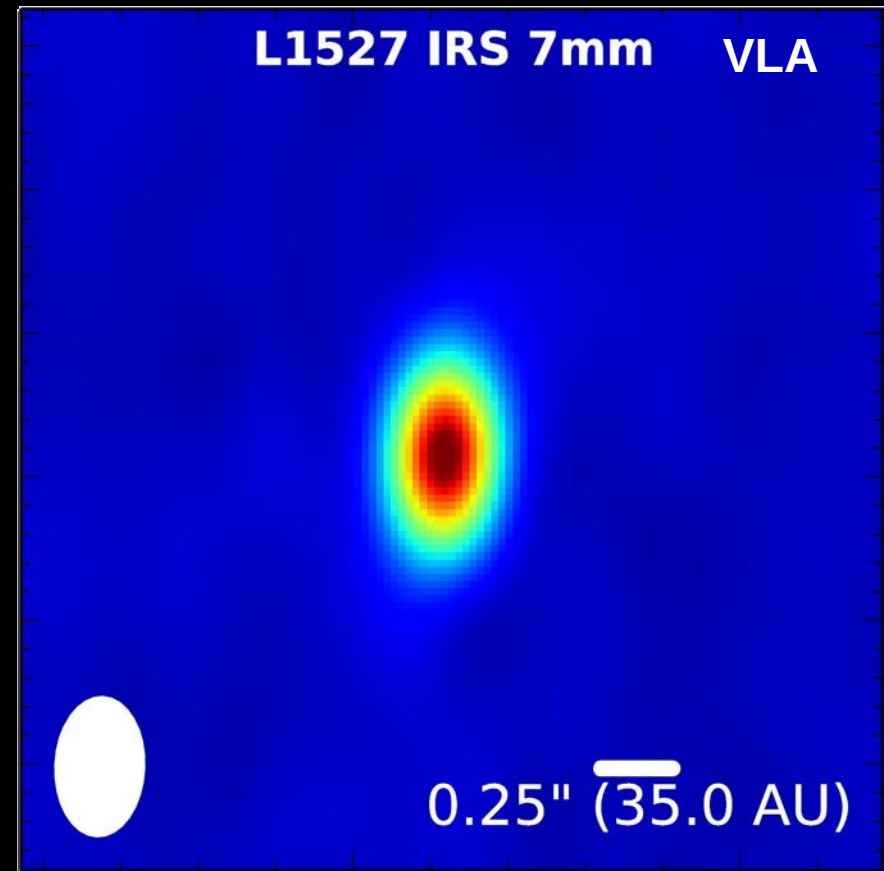
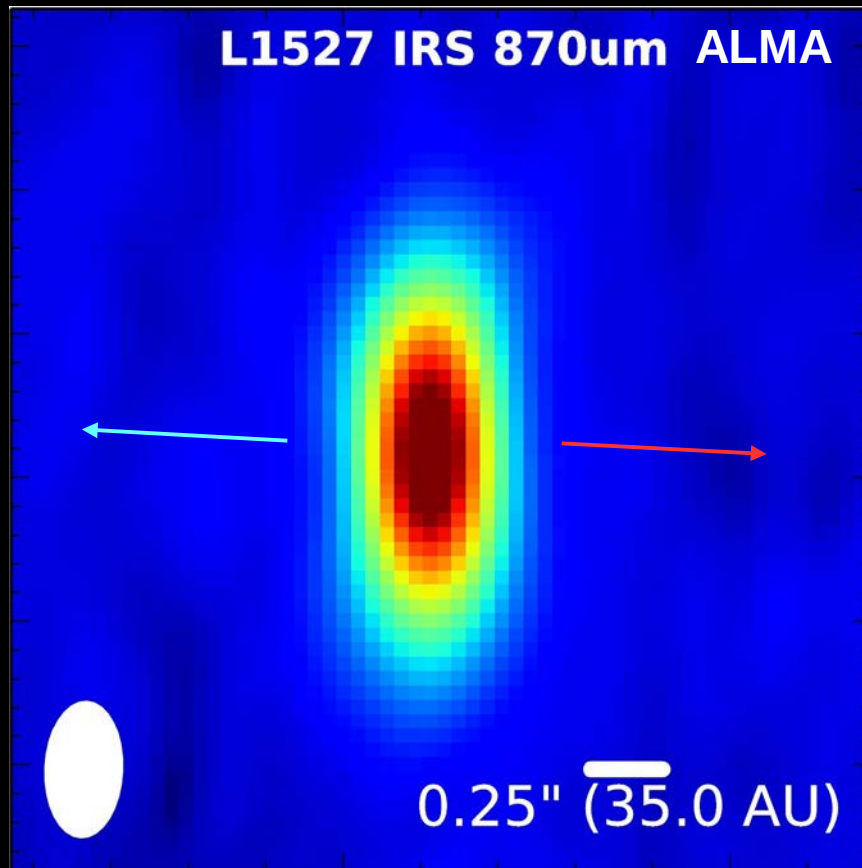
Why the (ng)VLA?

- High-sensitivity at 8 mm – 1 cm with 8 GHz bandwidth
- Routine observations with $< 0.1''$ resolution at 8 mm
- Probing to two emission processes at 8 mm
 - Thermal free-free + thermal dust
 - Protostars stand out
- High optical depths at $\lambda \sim 1.3$ mm may hide close companions
- 8 mm traces densest regions, i.e. disks
 - Envelope contribution minimal

VANDAM Class 0 Disk Candidates

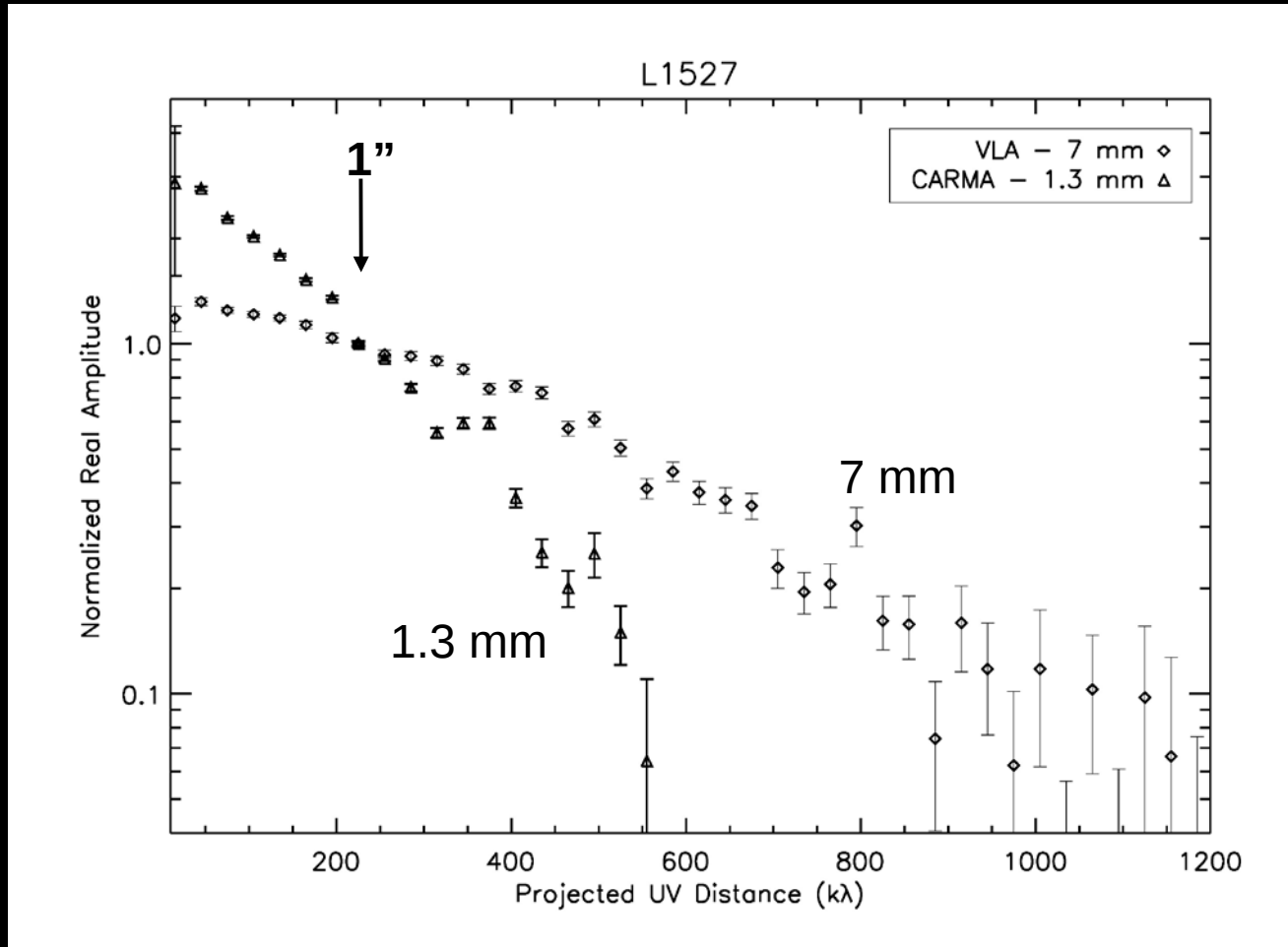


VANDAM Disk Candidates Sizes



- Dust emission more compact at 8 mm vs 870 micron; 0.26'' vs 0.62''
 - Surface brightness sensitivity limit/radial drift of dust grains
 - Also seen in Class II disks (e.g., Perez+2012)
- Disk candidates likely larger than apparent size

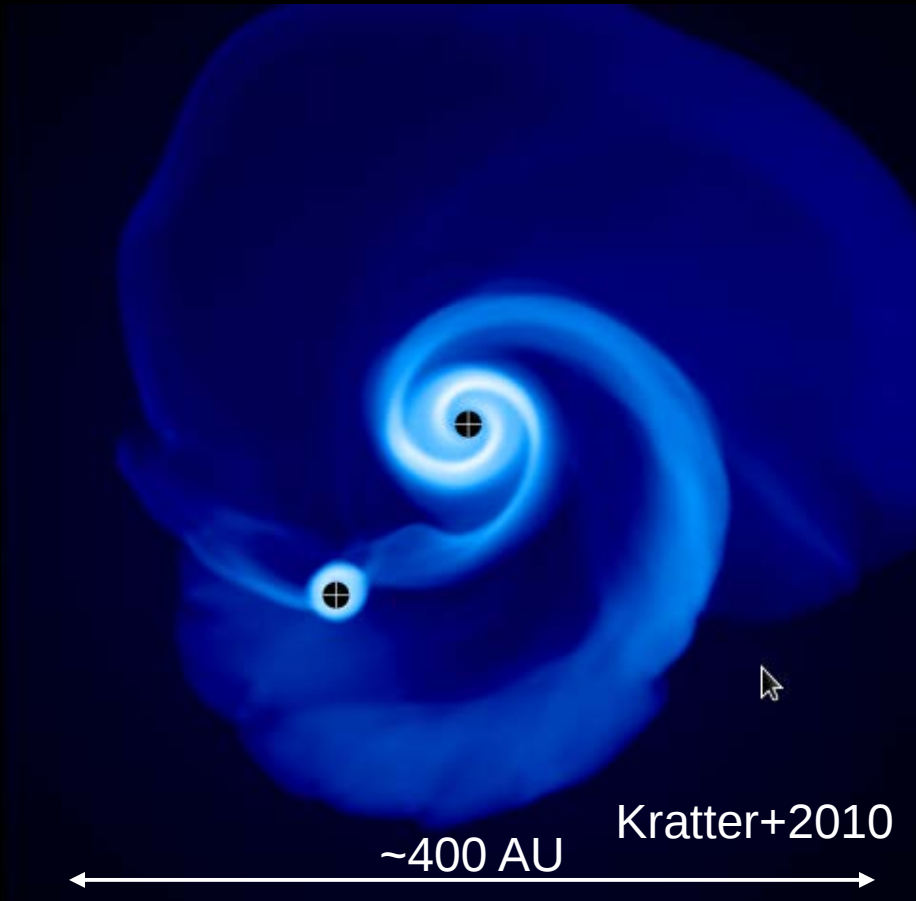
Radial Distribution of Dust



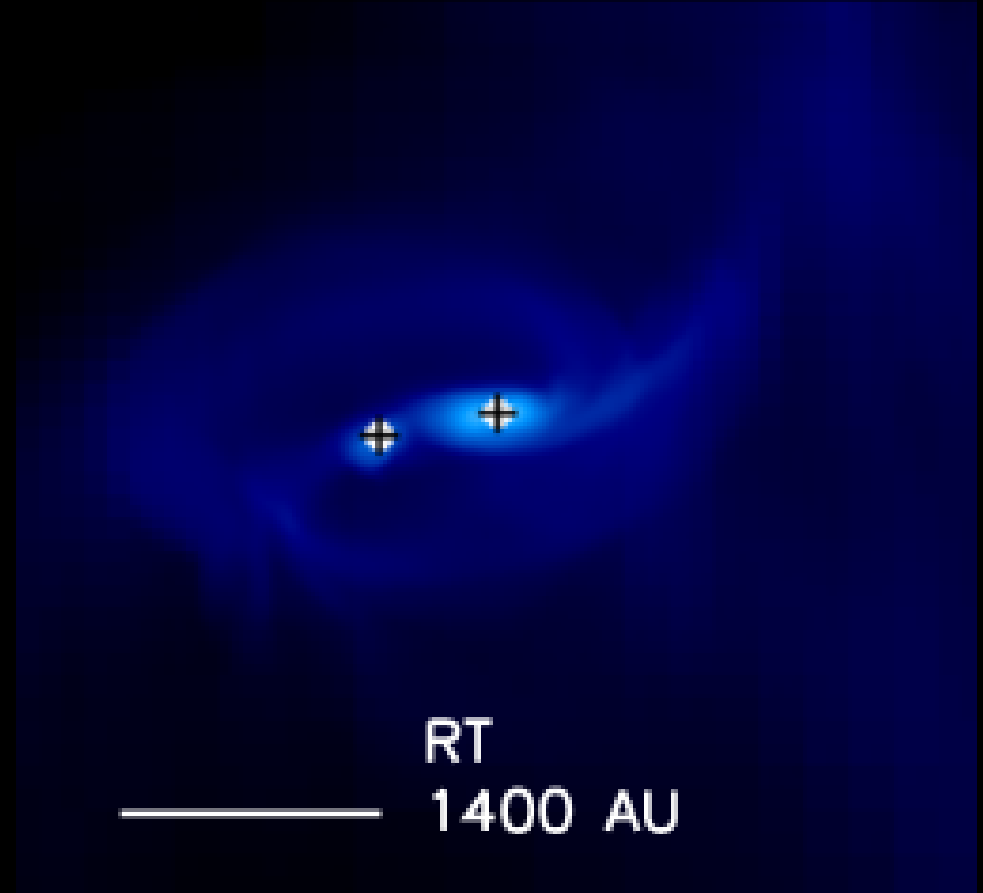
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Multiple System Formation

Disk Fragmentation

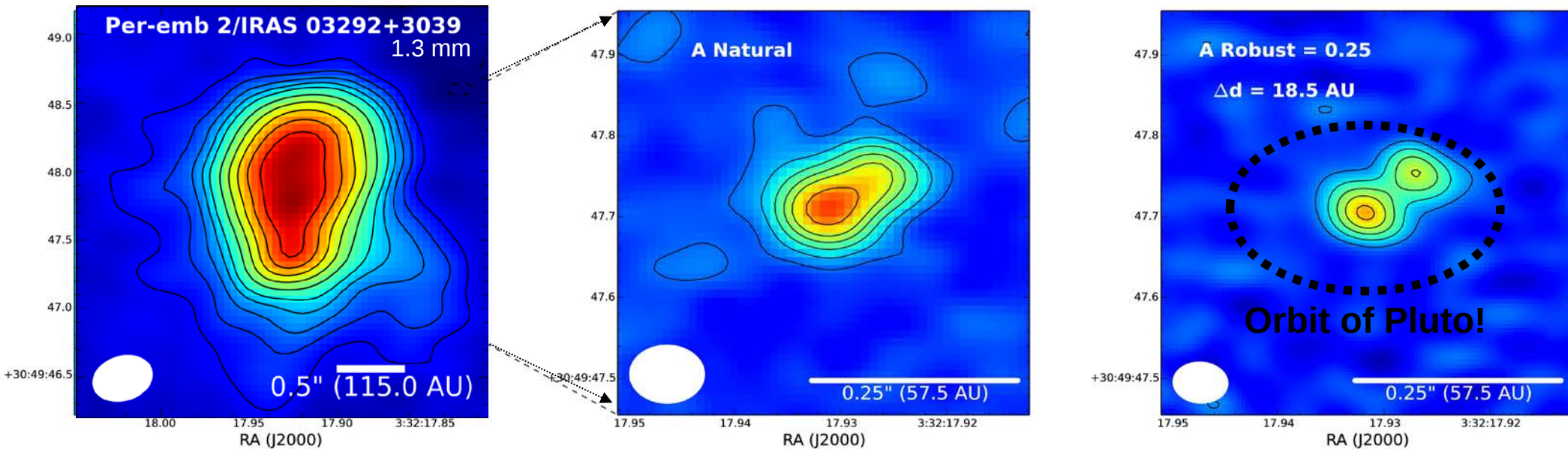


Turbulent/Rotational Fragmentation

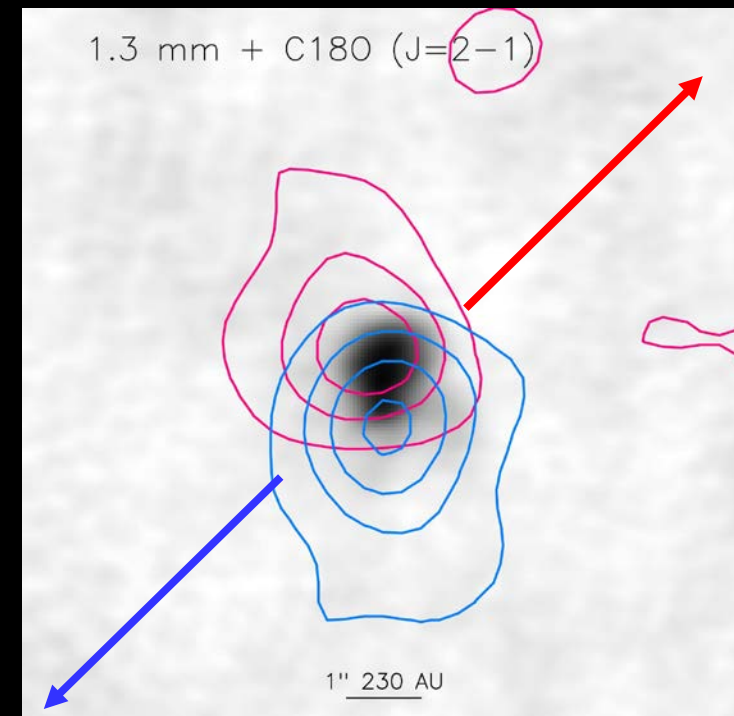


- Disk fragmentation – form in disk directly Offner+2010
 - Replenishment needed to grow companion – early formation
- Turbulent/rotational fragmentation – form in cloud and migrate in
 - Rapid migration needed – 2000 AU → 200 AU in 10 kyr

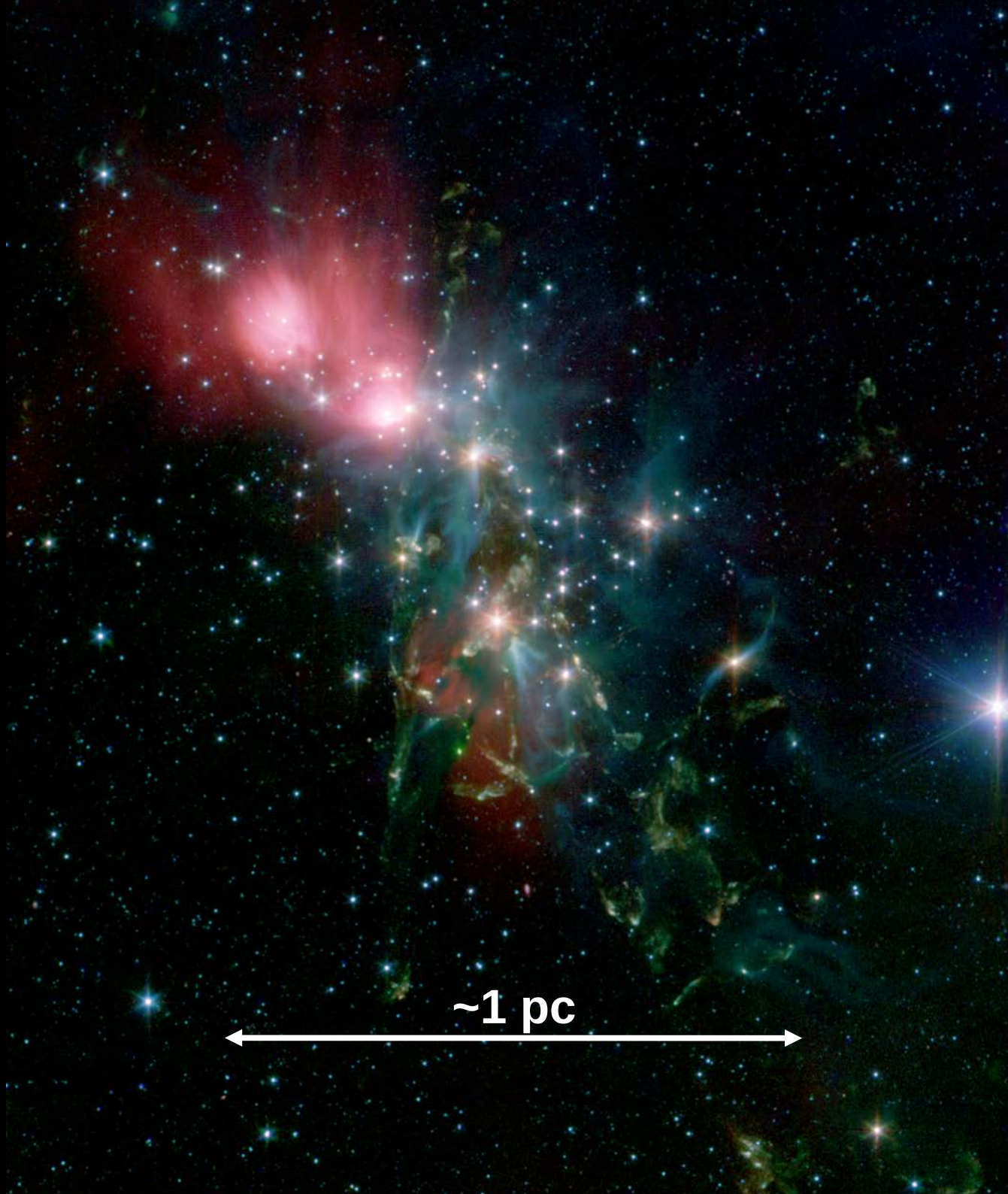
Evidence for Fragmenting Disks



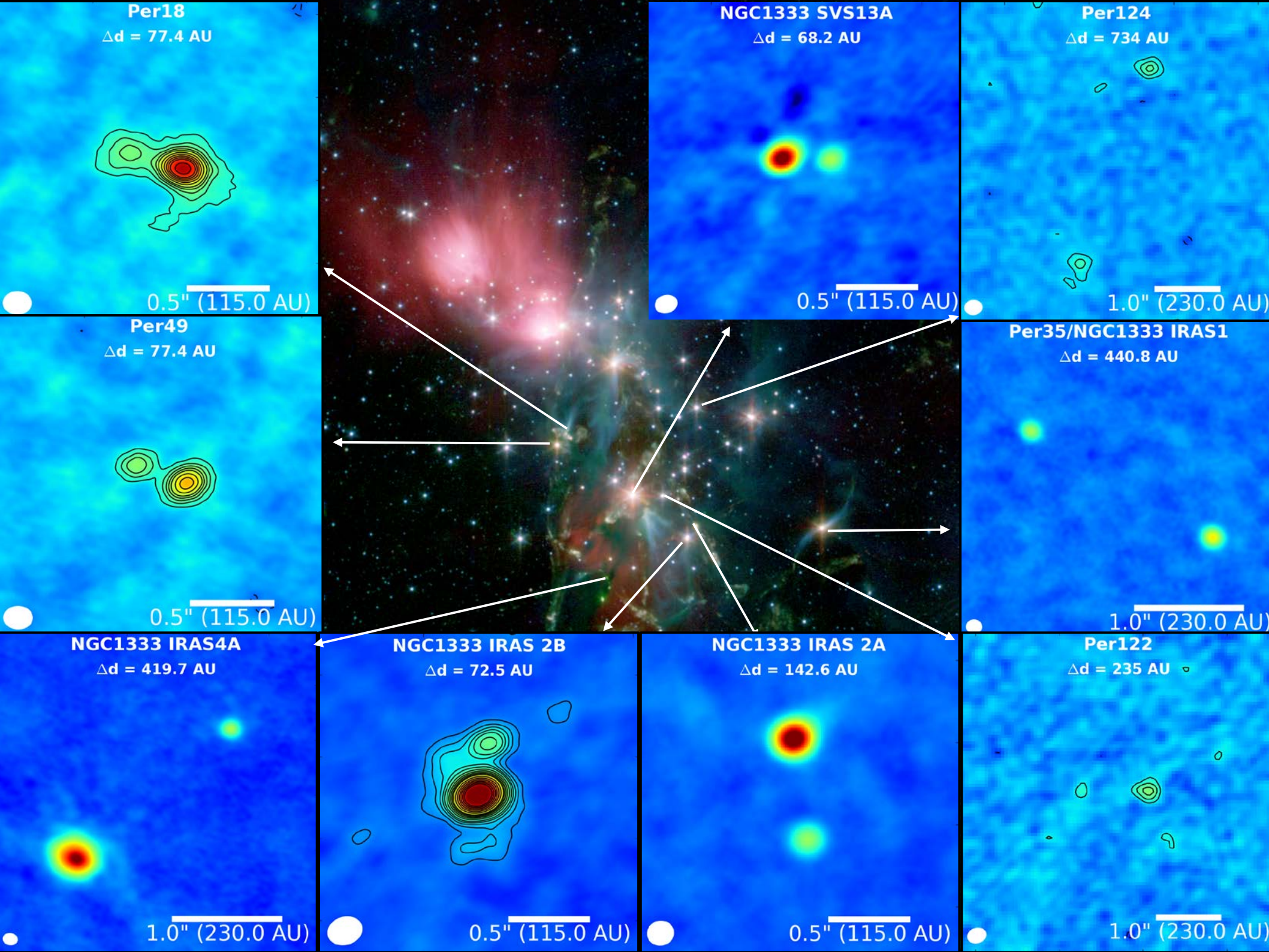
- Evidence of fragmentation within 'disks'
 - 3/43 Class 0 systems
- Gravitationally unstable disks likely transient
 - Appear unstable ~ 30 kyr (Stamatellos+2009)
- Candidate $\sim 0.3 M_{\text{sun}}$ disk
 - Possibly optically thick at 1.3 mm
 - Rotation observed on outer scale of structure

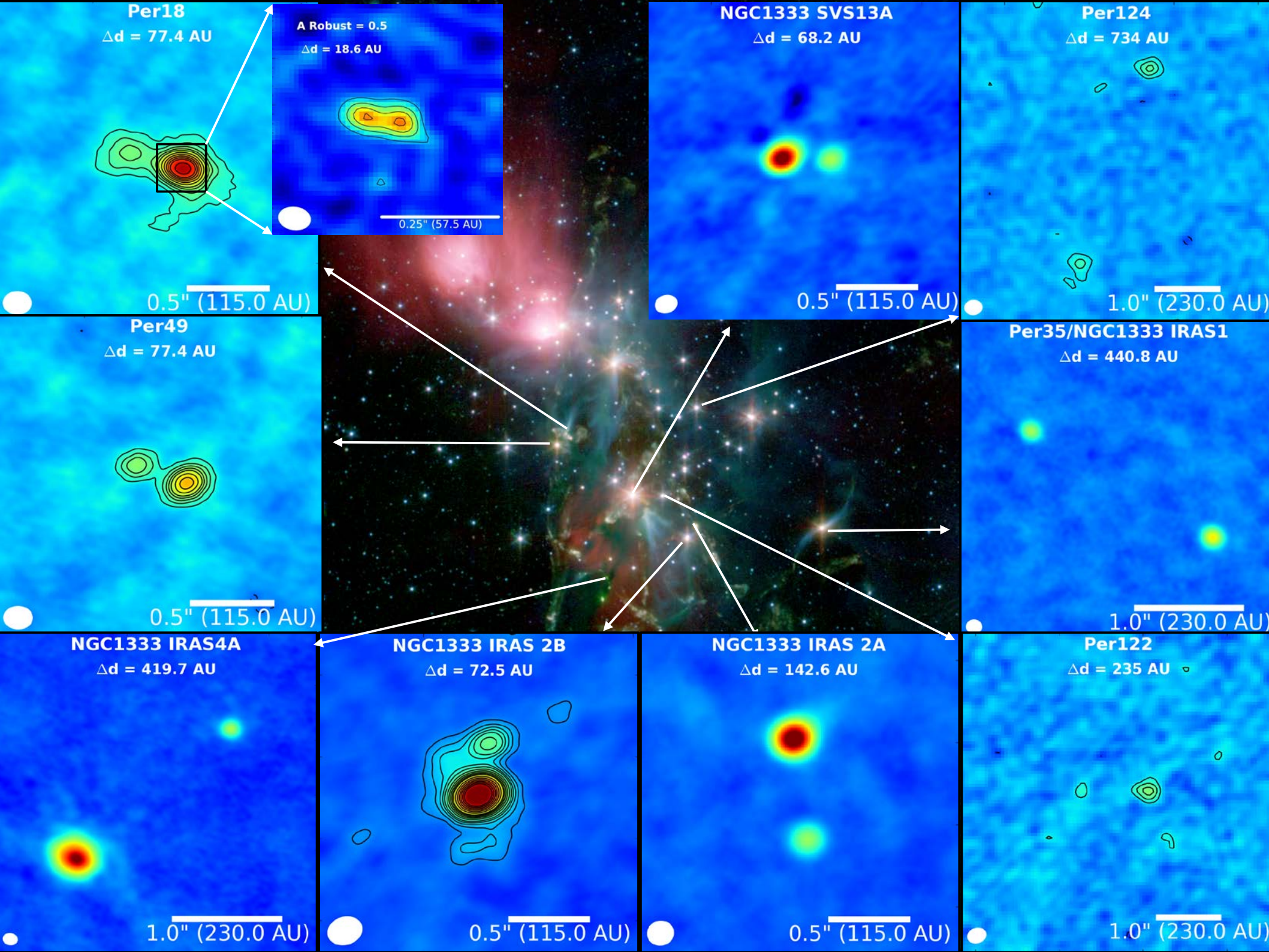


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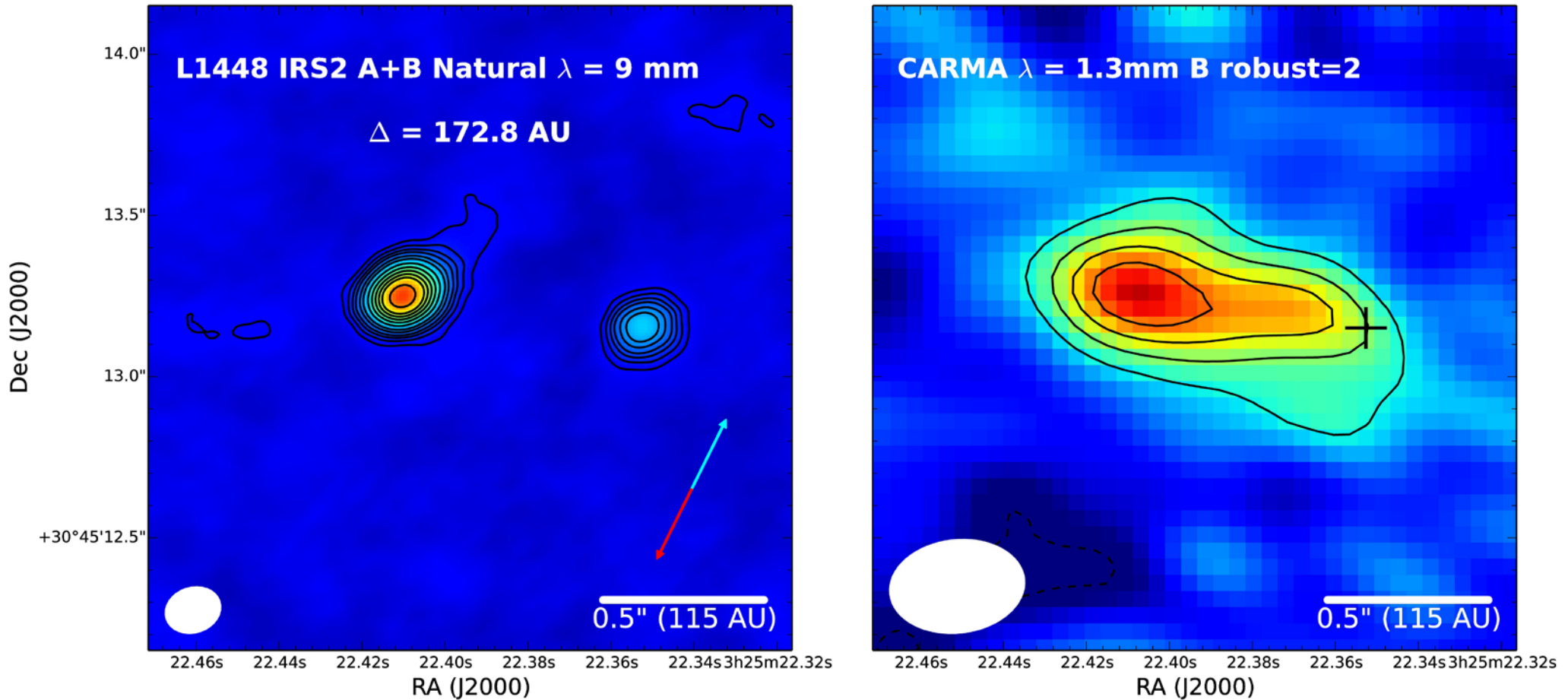


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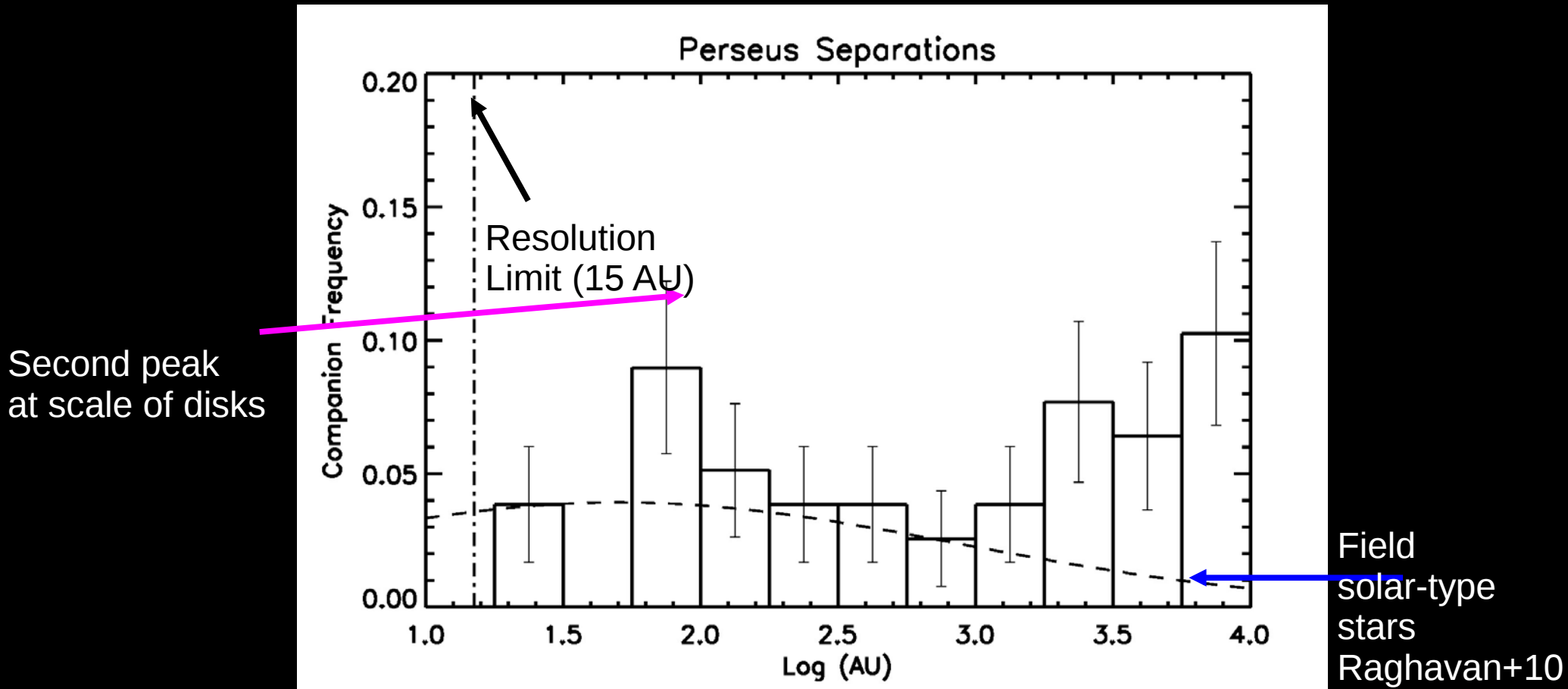


9 mm vs 1.3 mm



- Companions identified not always bright at 1.3 mm

Perseus Separation Distribution

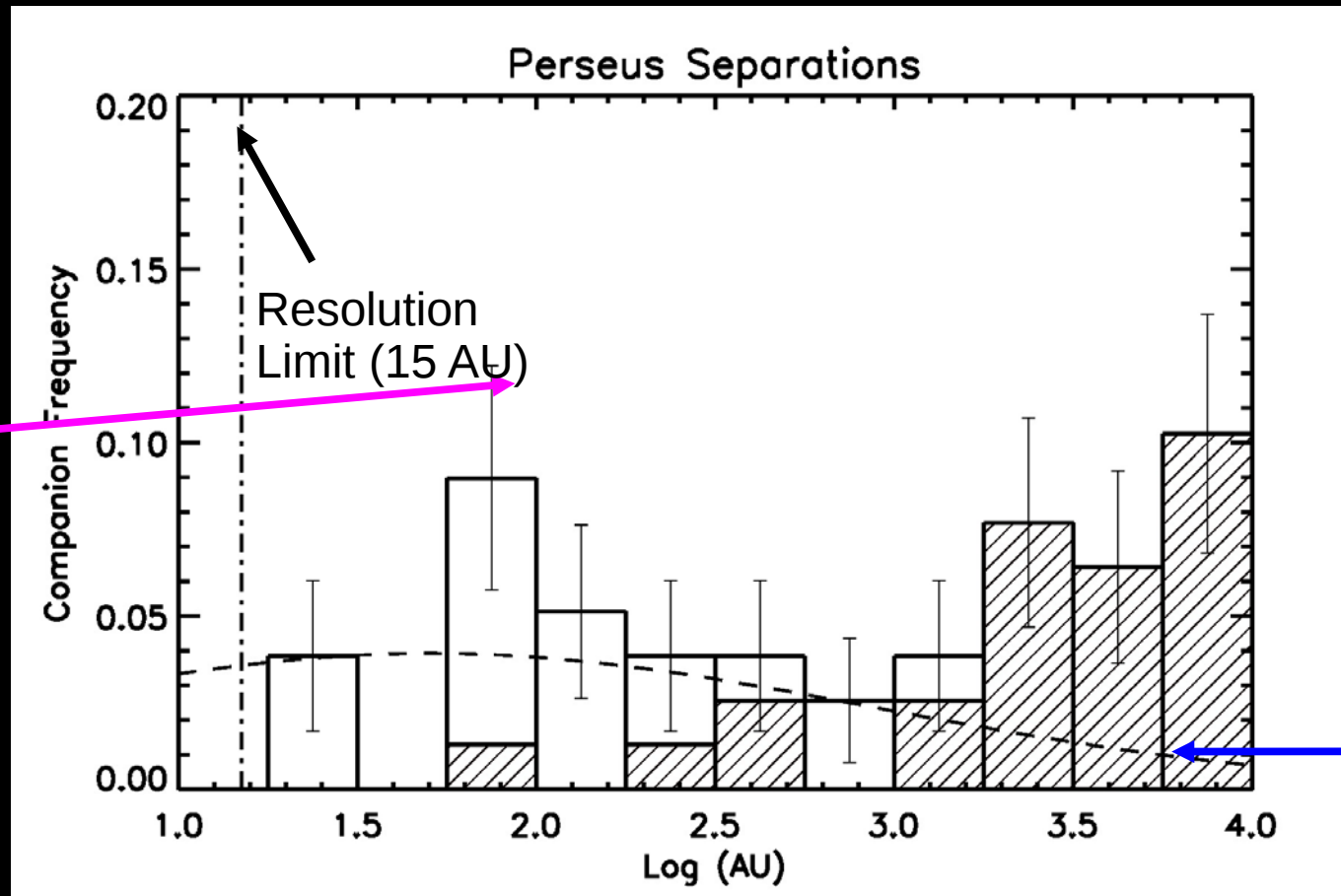


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- Perseus Class 0 and Class I Separation Distribution
- Excess relative to field at ~75 AU and > 1000 AU

Perseus Separation Distribution

Second peak
at scale of disks



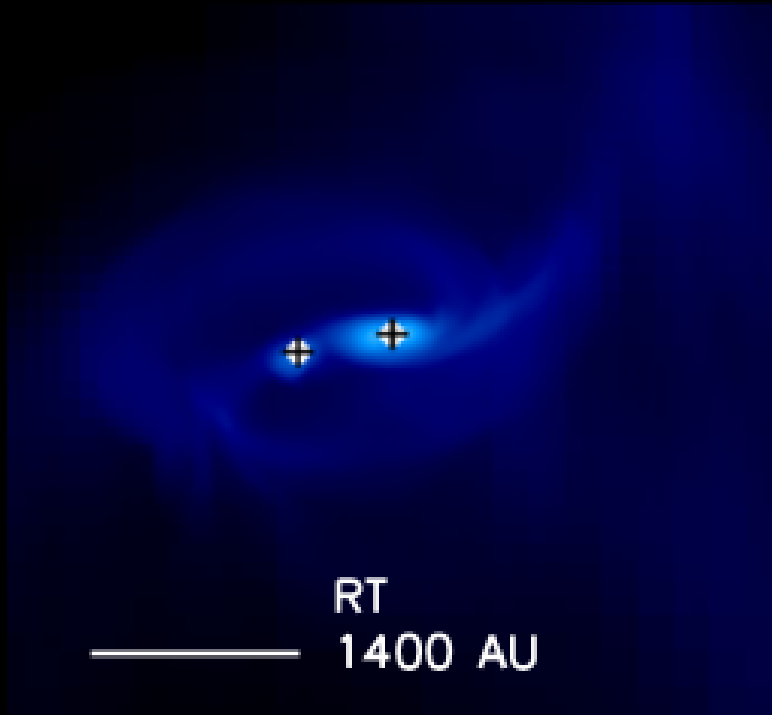
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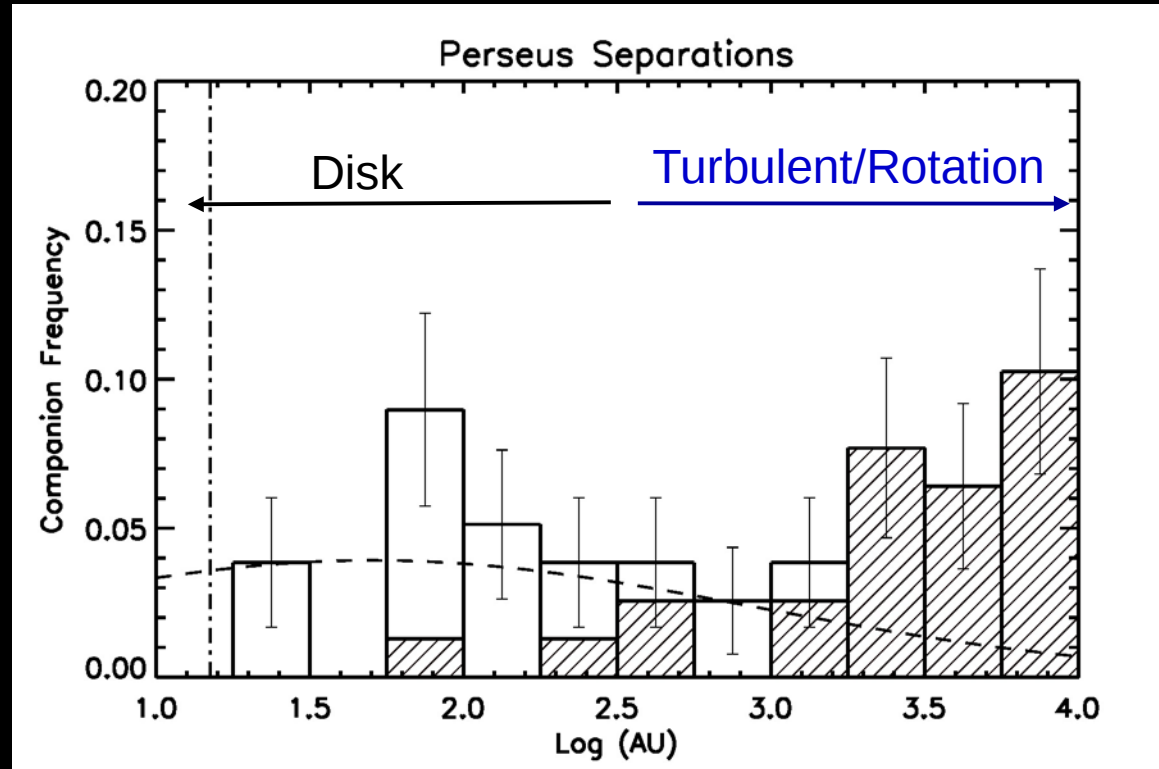
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 - Significant improvement at < 1000 AU

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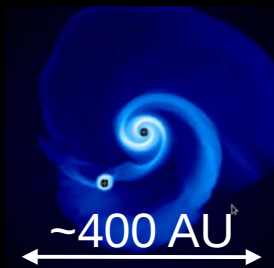
Turbulent Fragmentation



vs. Offner+2010



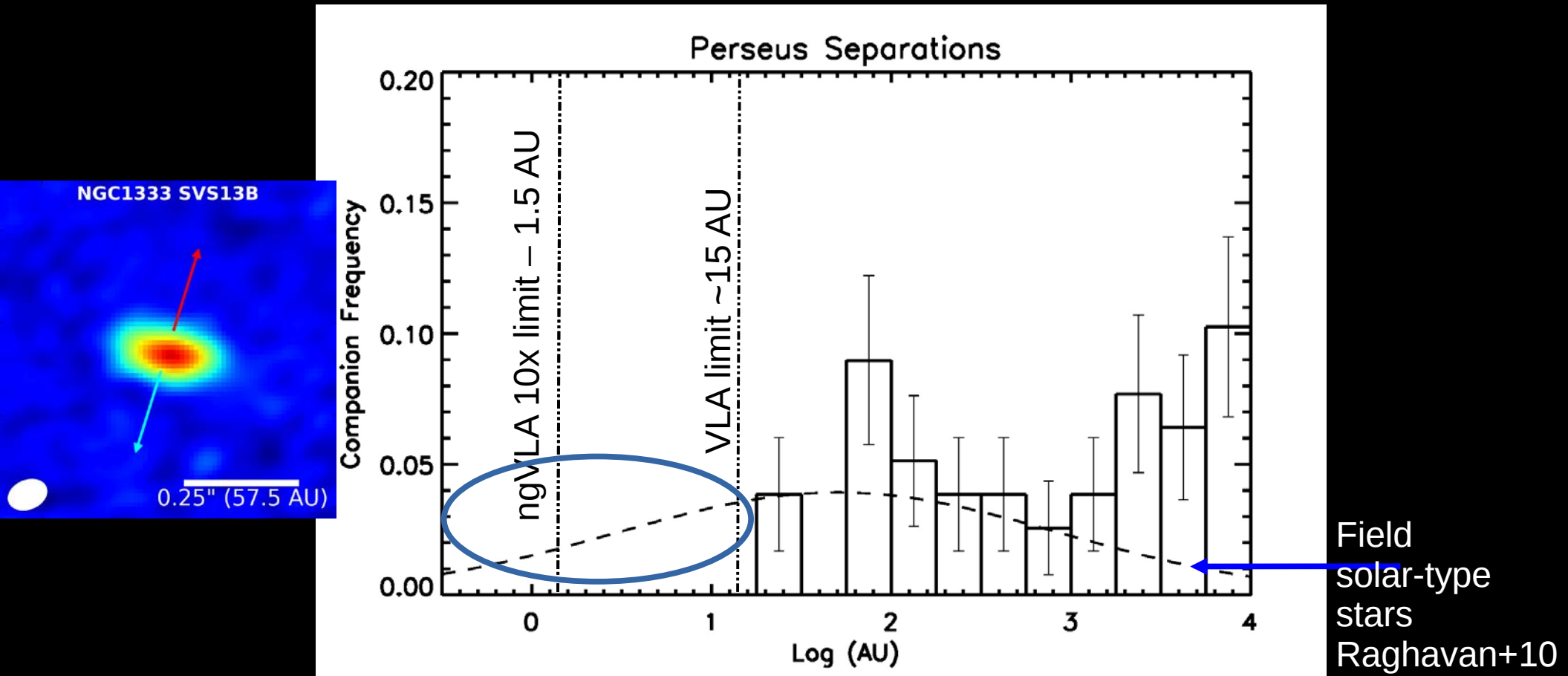
Disk Fragmentation



Kratter+2010

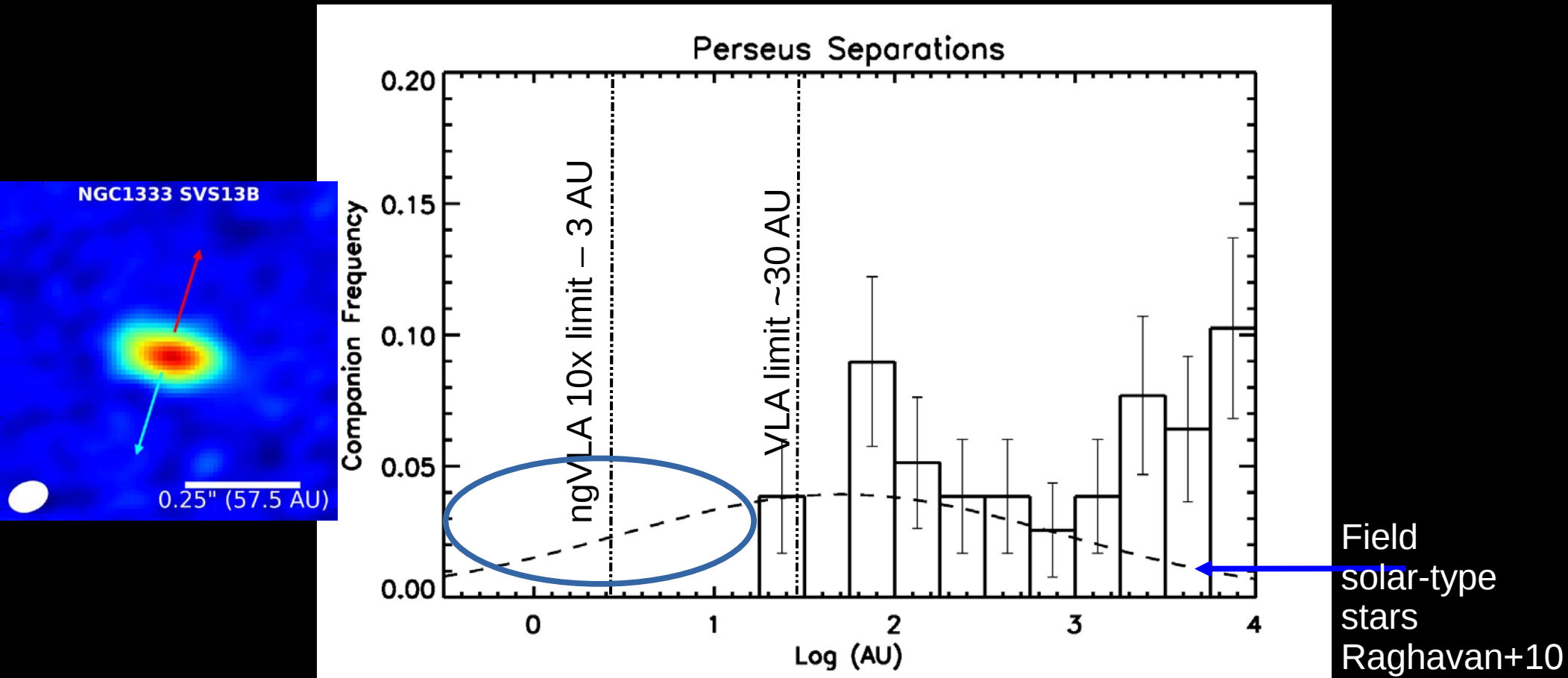
- Do close systems have circumbinary disks?
- Are wide systems bound or consistent with turbulent or order rotational fragmentation?

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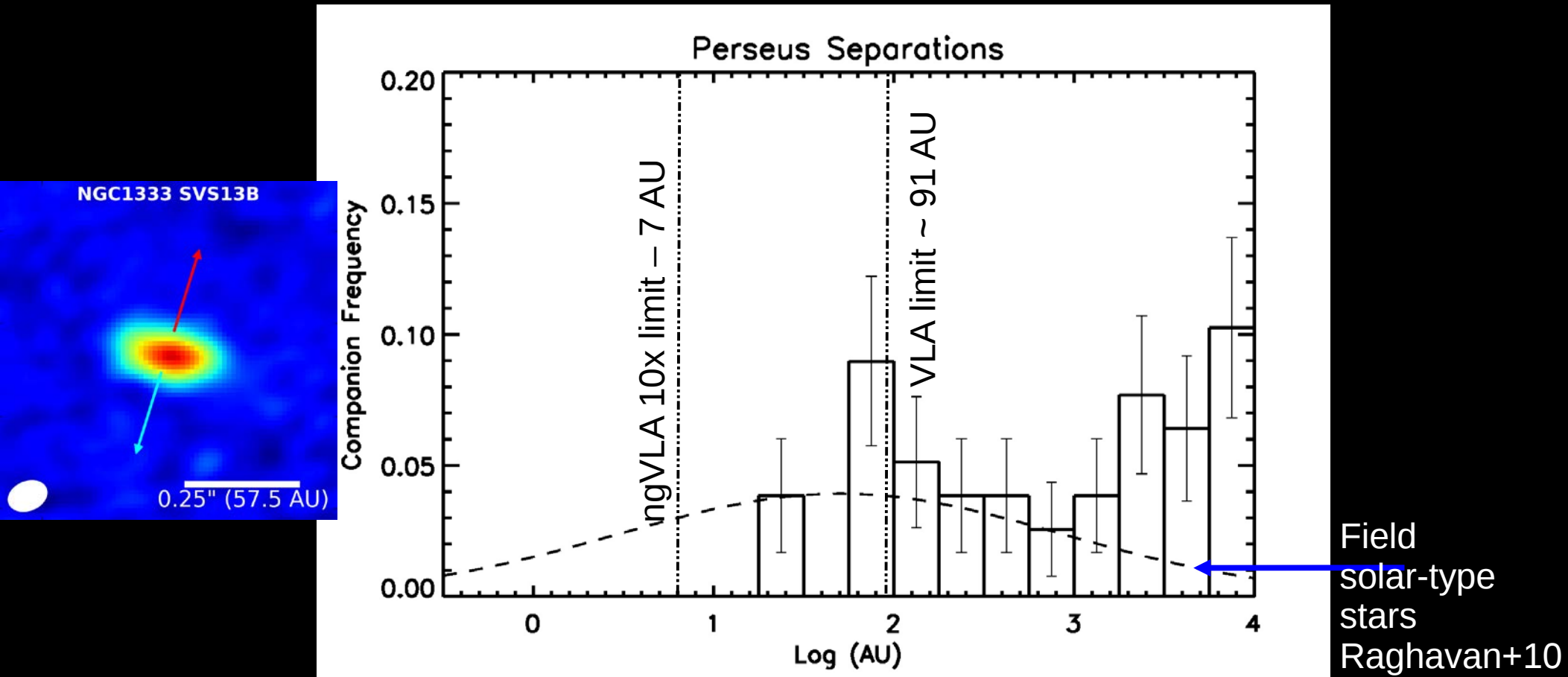
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Orion Separation Distribution



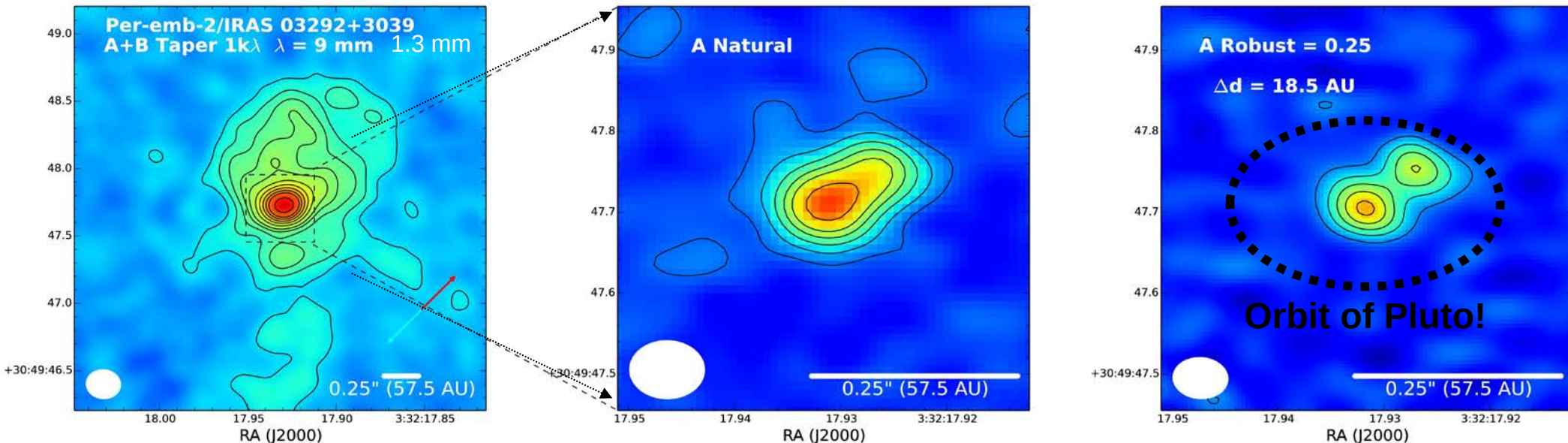
- Number of protostars at $d < 300$ pc is limiting for statistics
- Orion @ 420 pc has ~ 400 protostars
- Closest systems found in Perseus unresolved in Orion with VLA
 - ngVLA needed

Cygnus - X Separation Distribution



- Number of protostars at $d < 300$ pc is limiting for statistics
- Orion @ 420 pc has ~ 400 protostars
- Closest systems found in Perseus unresolved in Orion
- ngVLA can open door for SF regions at $d \sim 0.5 - 1.5$ kpc

IRAS 03292- A Benchmark System



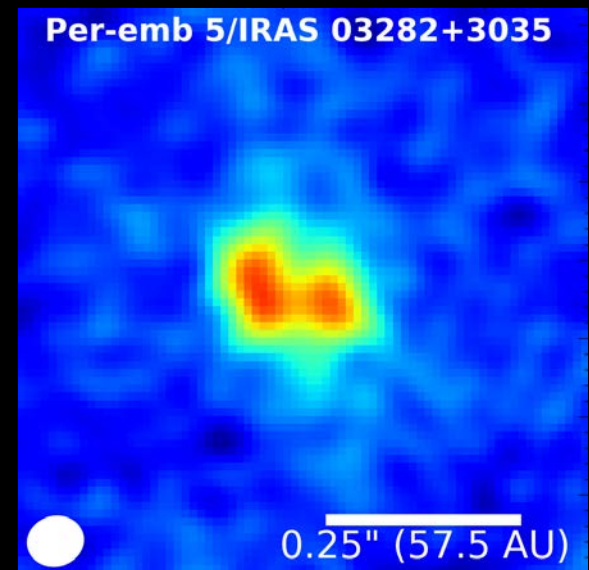
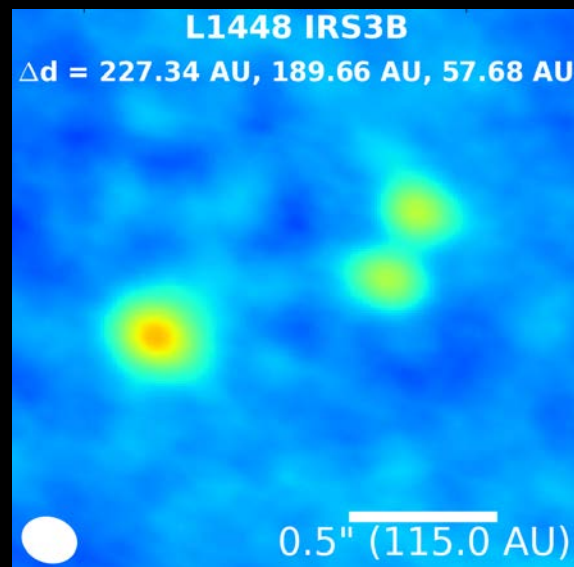
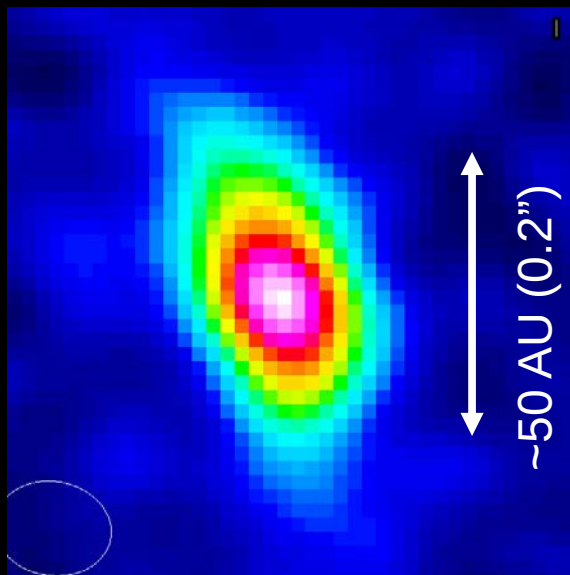
- F_v (9 mm) ~ 170 $\mu\text{Jy/bm}$ (S/N ~ 17), 130 $\mu\text{Jy/bm}$ (S/N ~ 13)
 - @ Orion/Serpens: $F_v \sim 51$ $\mu\text{Jy/bm}$, 39 $\mu\text{Jy/bm}$, $\sigma \sim 3$ $\mu\text{Jy/bm}$
 - ~ 1 hr on-source in Perseus $\rightarrow 11$ hr on-source in Orion (3 $\mu\text{Jy/bm}$)
 - For $A_{\text{eff}} \sim 10\times$ VLA and $\Delta v \sim 2\times$ VLA (Q + Ka) $\rightarrow 0.5$ hr on-source
 - Need at least $2\times$ VLA Max. baseline to resolve
 - Look for orbital motion around similar or more compact systems
 - Protostar masses!

Sensitivity Reference

- $\Delta t \sim 1 / (\Delta v A) * (d_x/d_{per})^4$
 - Orion/Serpens: $d \sim 420$ pc; $\Delta t/\Delta t_{per} \sim \mathbf{11x}$
 - MonR2/NGC2264/Cepheus: $d \sim 800$ pc; $\Delta t/\Delta t_{per} \sim \mathbf{144x}$
 - Cygnus-X: $d \sim 1400$ pc; $\Delta t/\Delta t_{per} \sim \mathbf{1400x}$
- 10x ngVLA + 2x bandwidth (Q + Ka)
 - Orion/Serpens: $d \sim 420$ pc; $\Delta t/\Delta t_{per} \sim \mathbf{0.5x}$
 - MonR2/NGC2264/Cepheus: $d \sim 800$ pc; $\Delta t/\Delta t_{per} \sim \mathbf{7x}$
 - Cygnus-X: $d \sim 1400$ pc; $\Delta t/\Delta t_{per} \sim \mathbf{70x}$
- Primary Beam area increases with d^2
 - Remaining time penalty offset by covering more sources
 - Assuming 18 m dishes, 2x lower for 25 m dishes

Summary

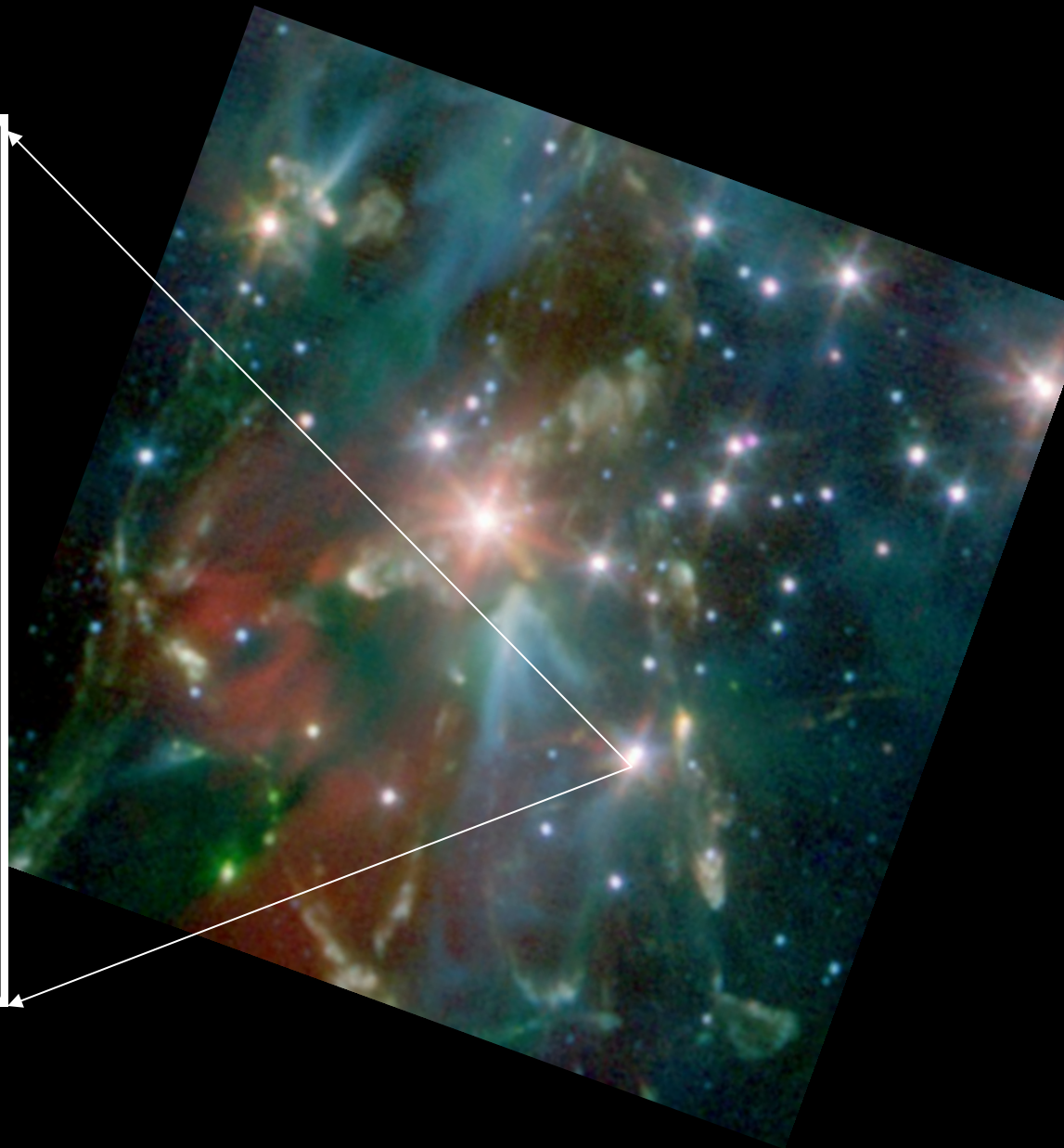
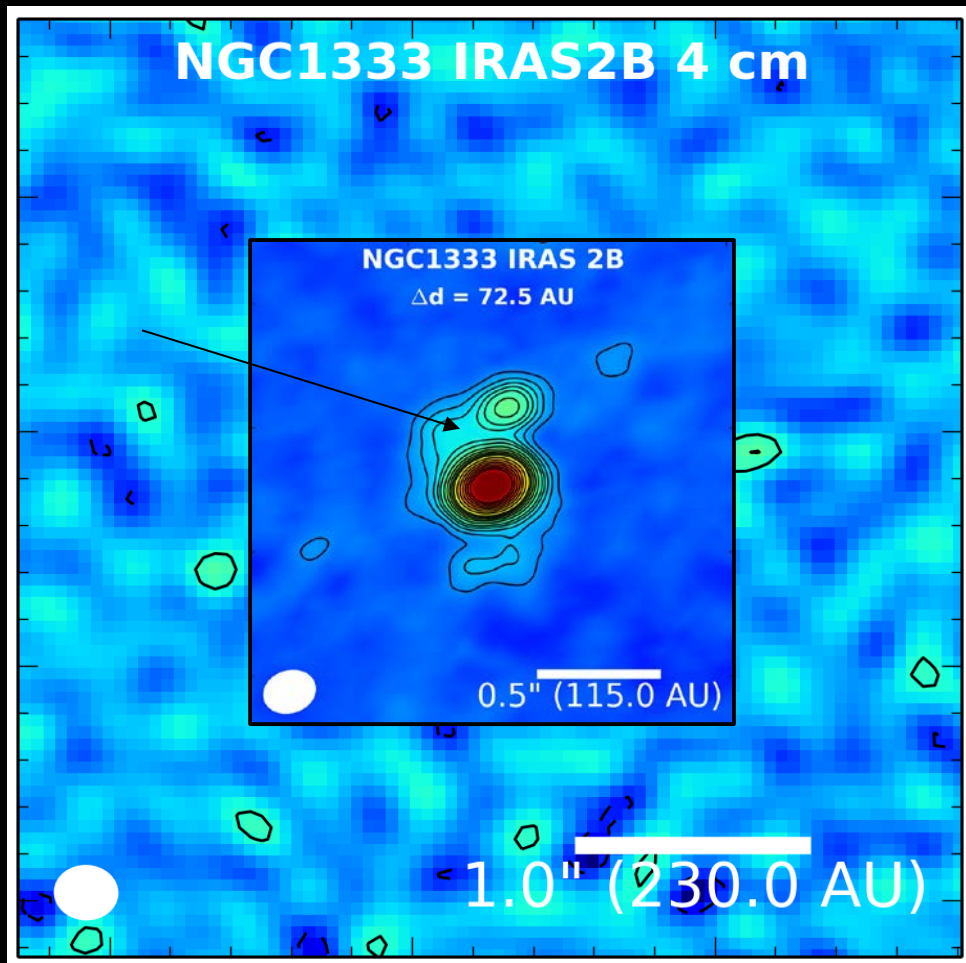
- Unbiased surveys crucial for disk and multiplicity studies
- Large sample of protostellar disk candidates revealed by VLA
- Multiplicity of protostars characterized, hints of evolution?
 - Closest known Class 0 protostellar multiples identified
- ngVLA will greatly expand capability to characterize multiplicity and disks out to more populous regions of star formation
 - Will enable robust constraints on multiplicity and disk evolution



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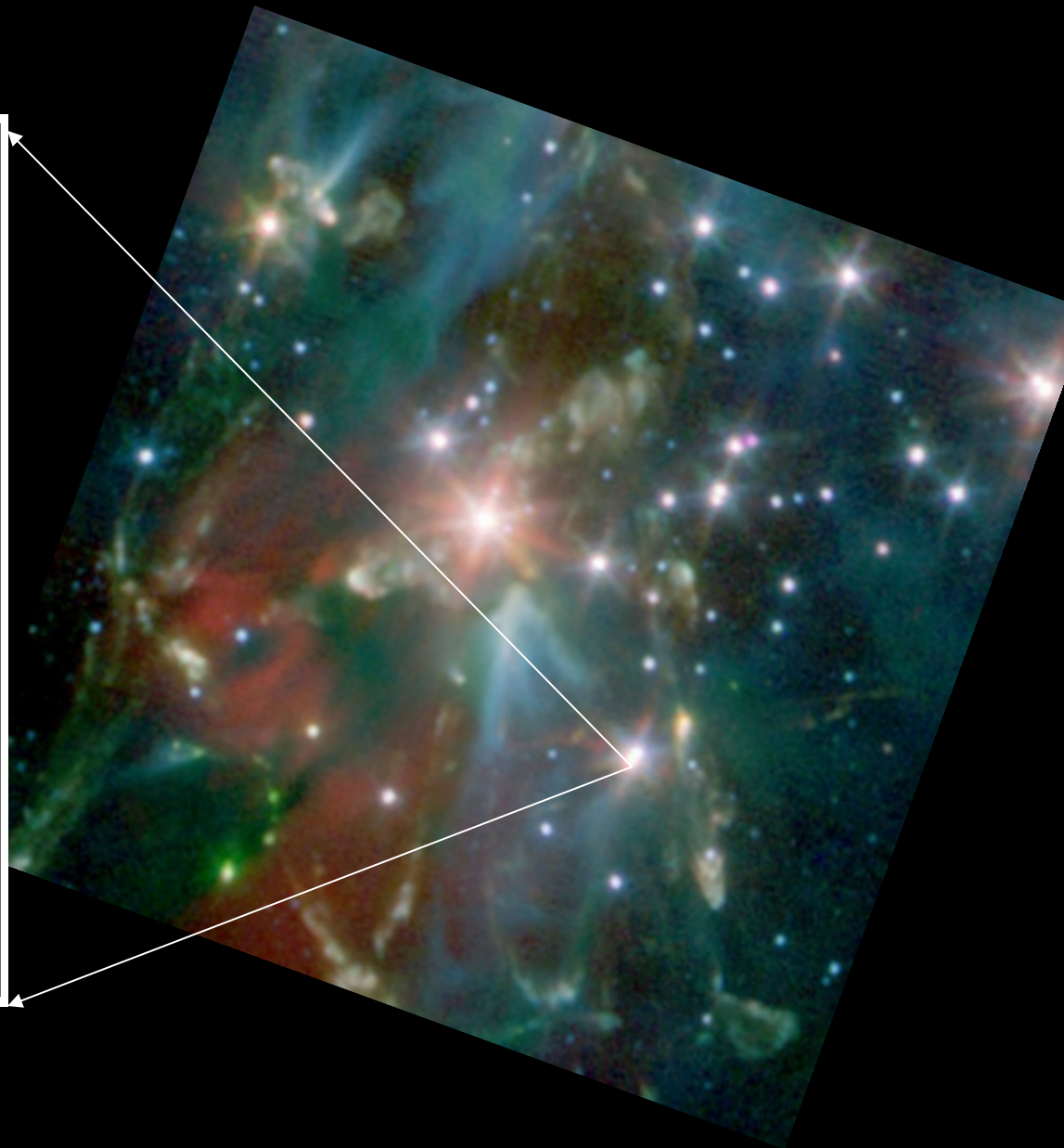
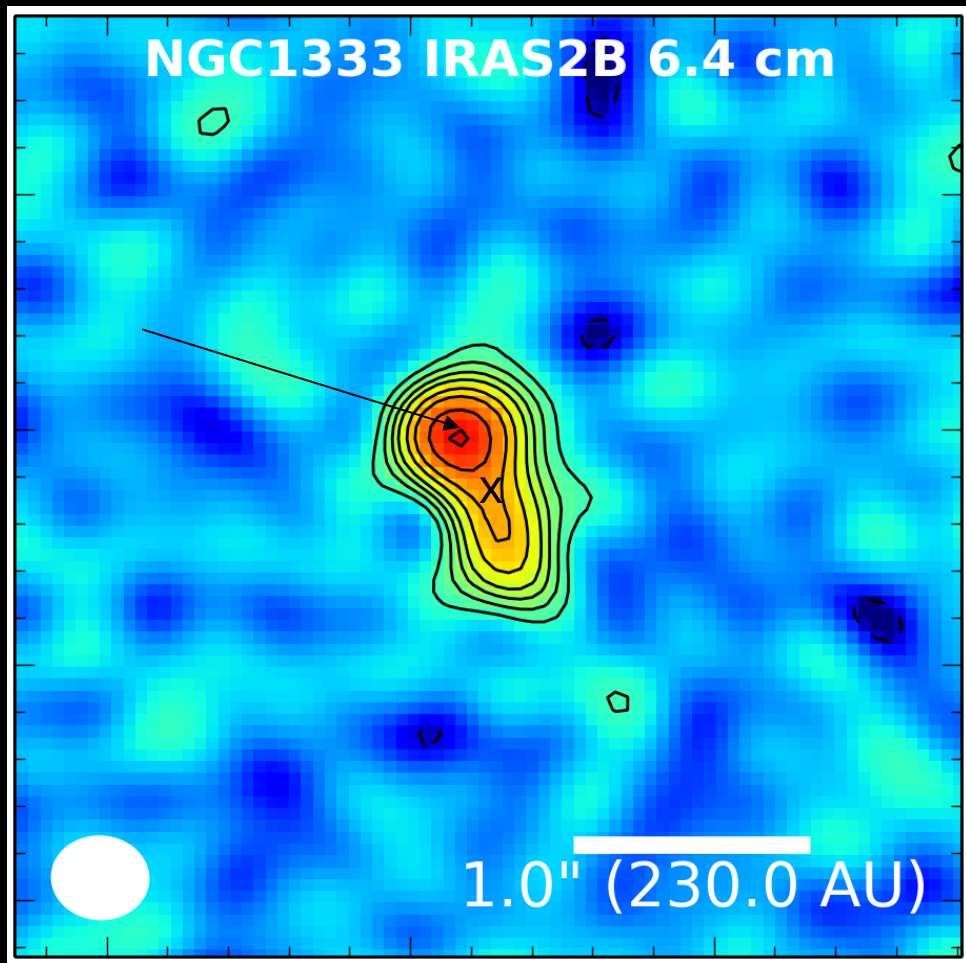
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Protostellar Jets: IRAS2B



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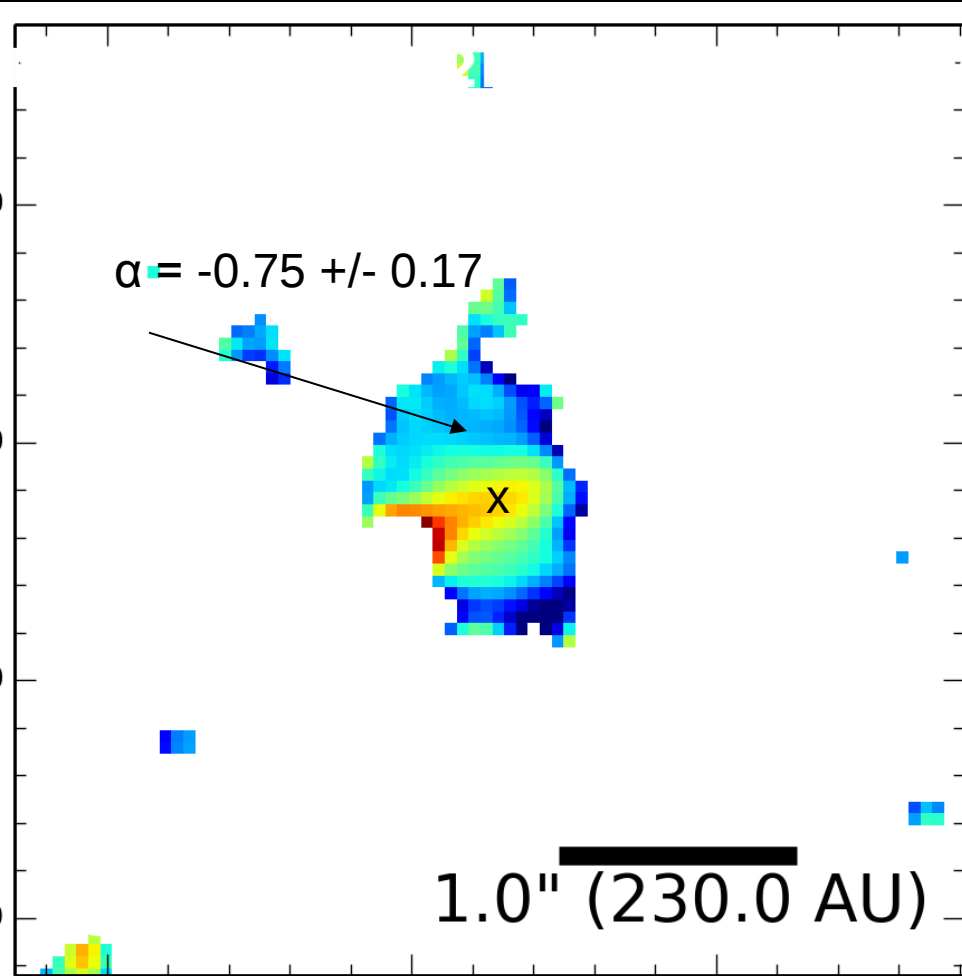
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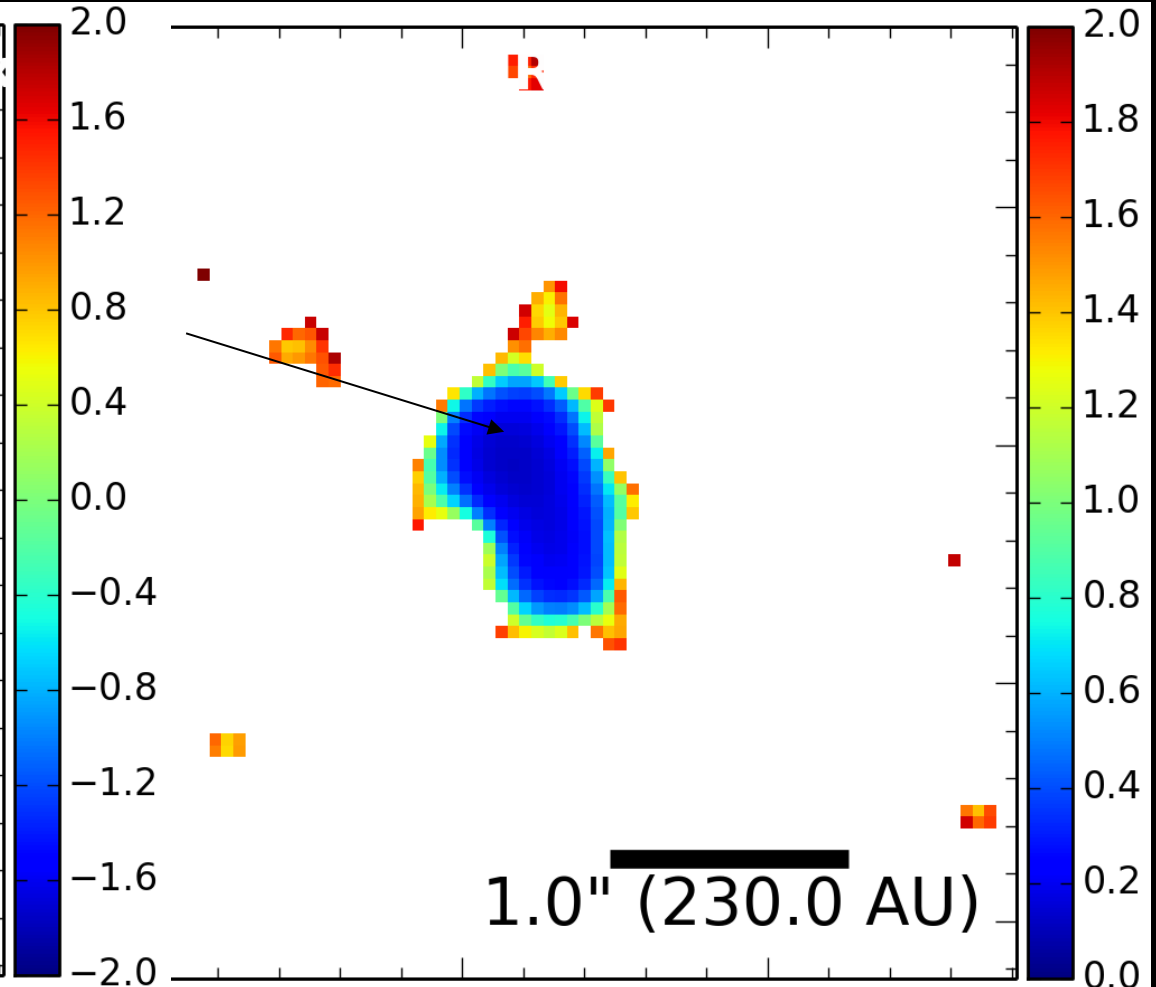
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Spectral Index



Spectral Index Error

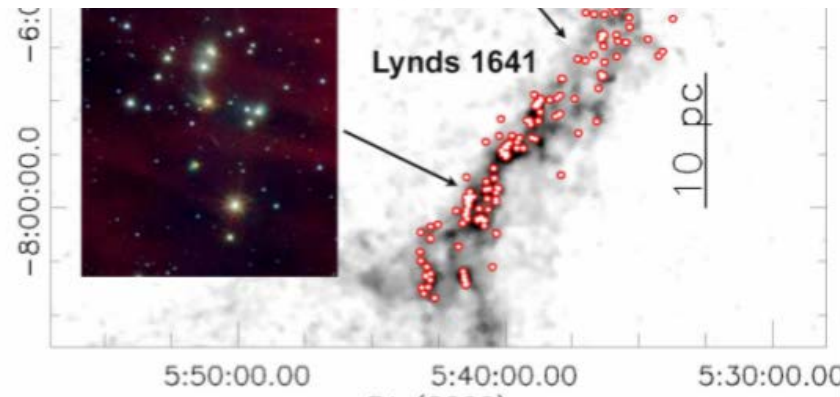
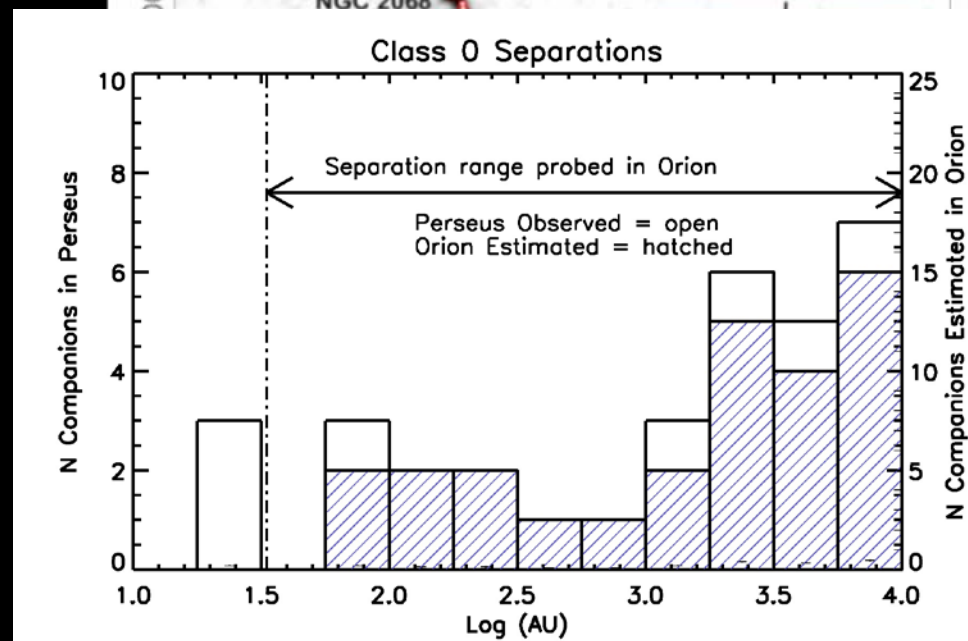


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- X-ray emission possibly detected, blended with nearby Class III YSO
- Class III source has negative spectral index at 4 cm/6 cm

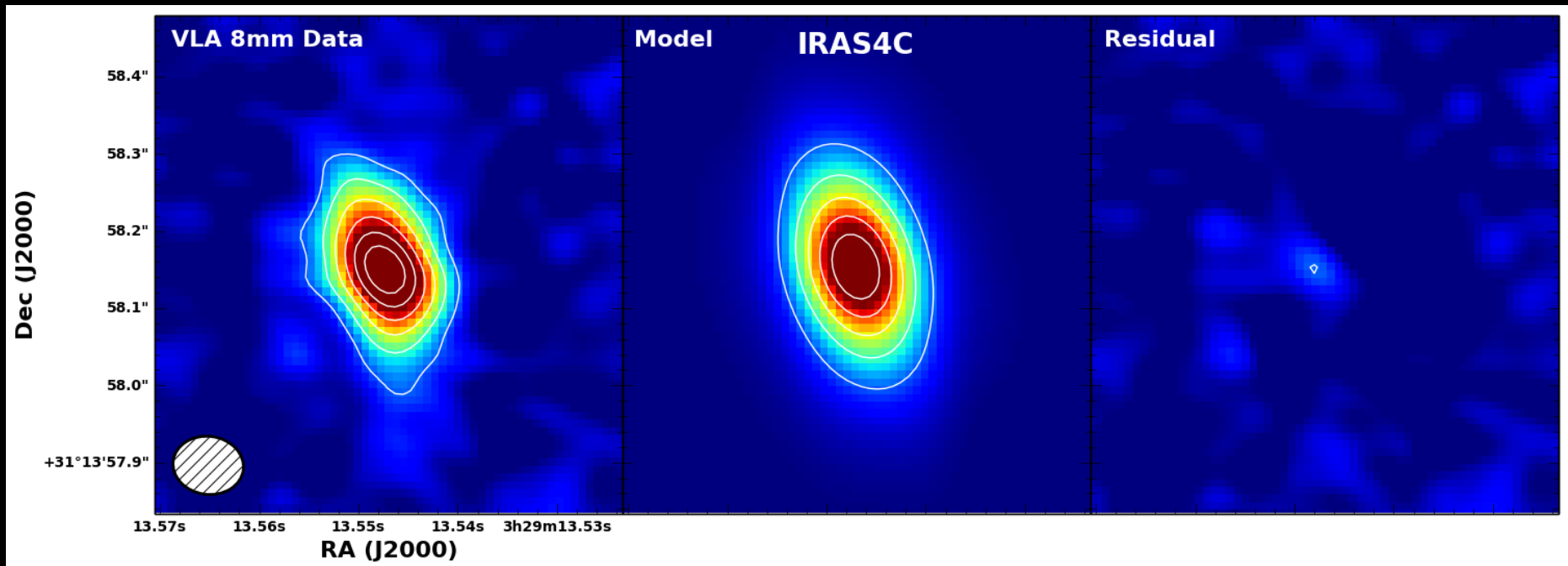
Orion: The Great Frontier

- Most populous star forming region within 500 pc
 - Nearest region actively forming high and intermediate mass stars
- Approved ALMA Cycle 3 Survey
 - 330 Orion protostars
 - 0.85 mm, 30 AU resolution (0.08")
 - begins 2016
- VLA large program (340 hr) approved
 - 110 Class 0
 - 8 mm, 30 AU resolution (<0.08")
 - Begins 2016

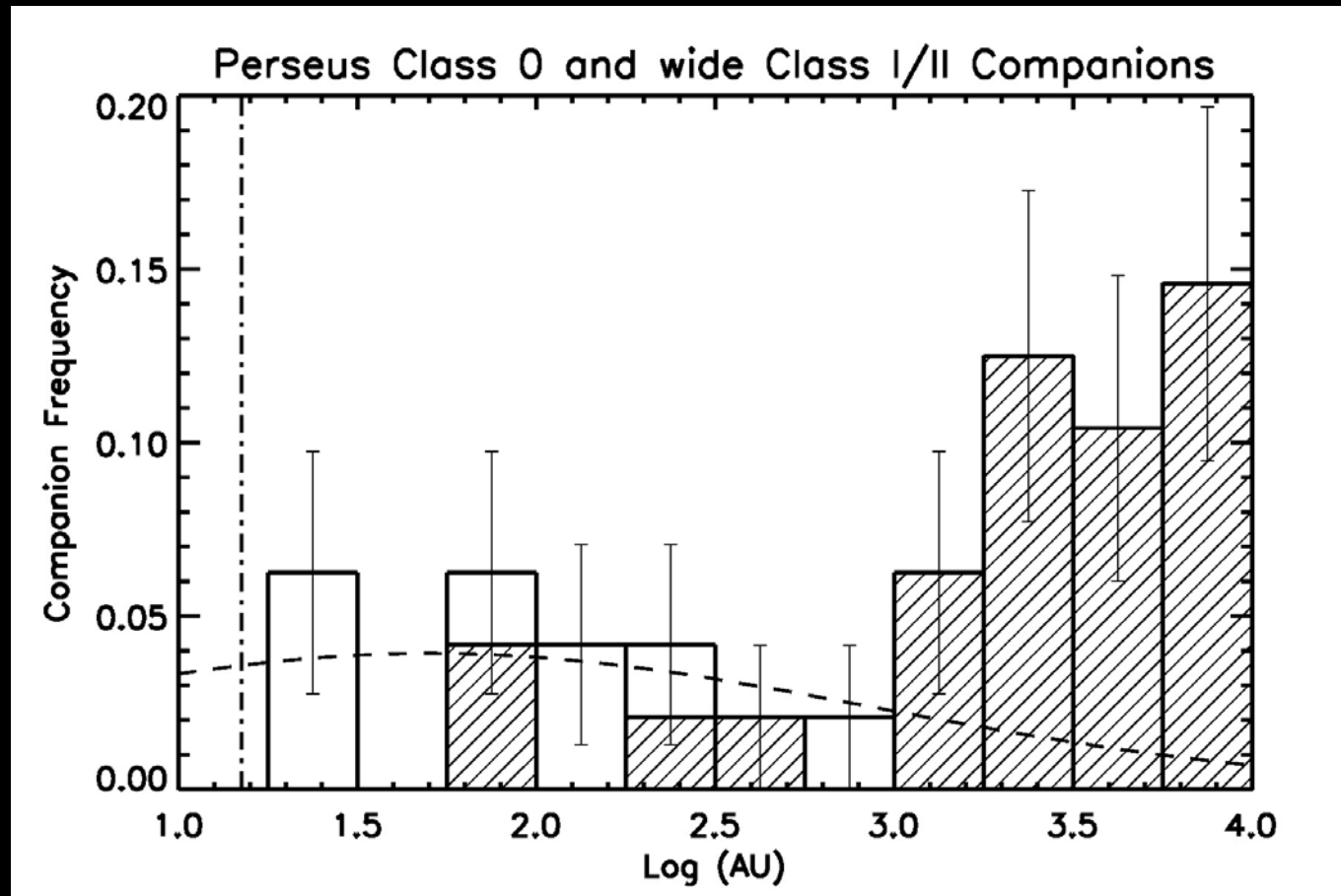


VANDAM Disk Candidates

- Resolved structures consistent with disks for 17/80 Class 0/I
 - ~12/43 for Class 0 (youngest) sources; 5/37 Class I
- Power-law disk models indicate 8 mm radii 10 AU – 30 AU
 - Masses $\sim 0.1 M_{\text{sun}}$
 - Need to be confirmed kinematically
 - Poster 236.09 by D. Segura-Cox (Wednesday)



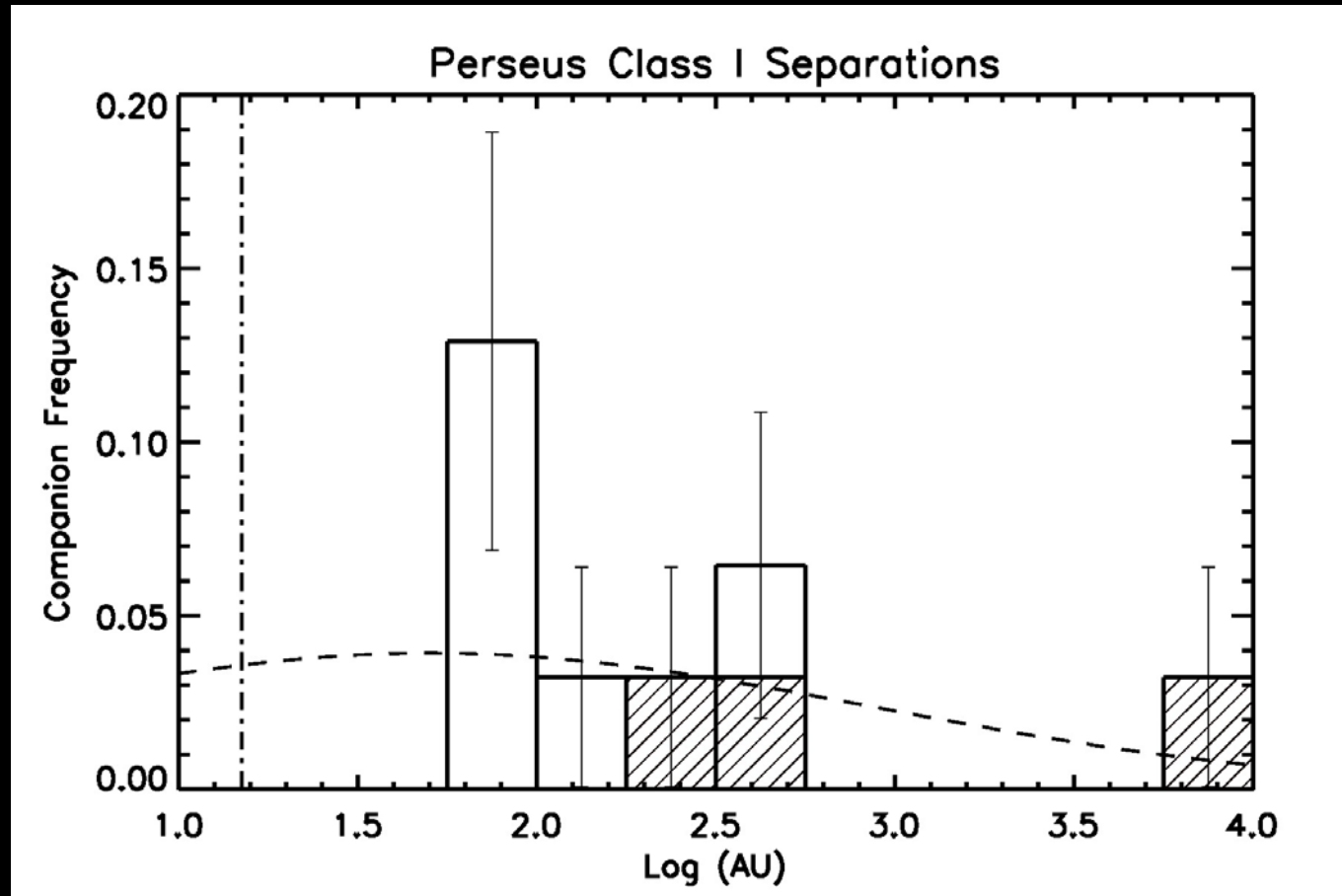
Perseus Separation Evolution



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- Class 0 (youngest) sources still have many at < 300 AU

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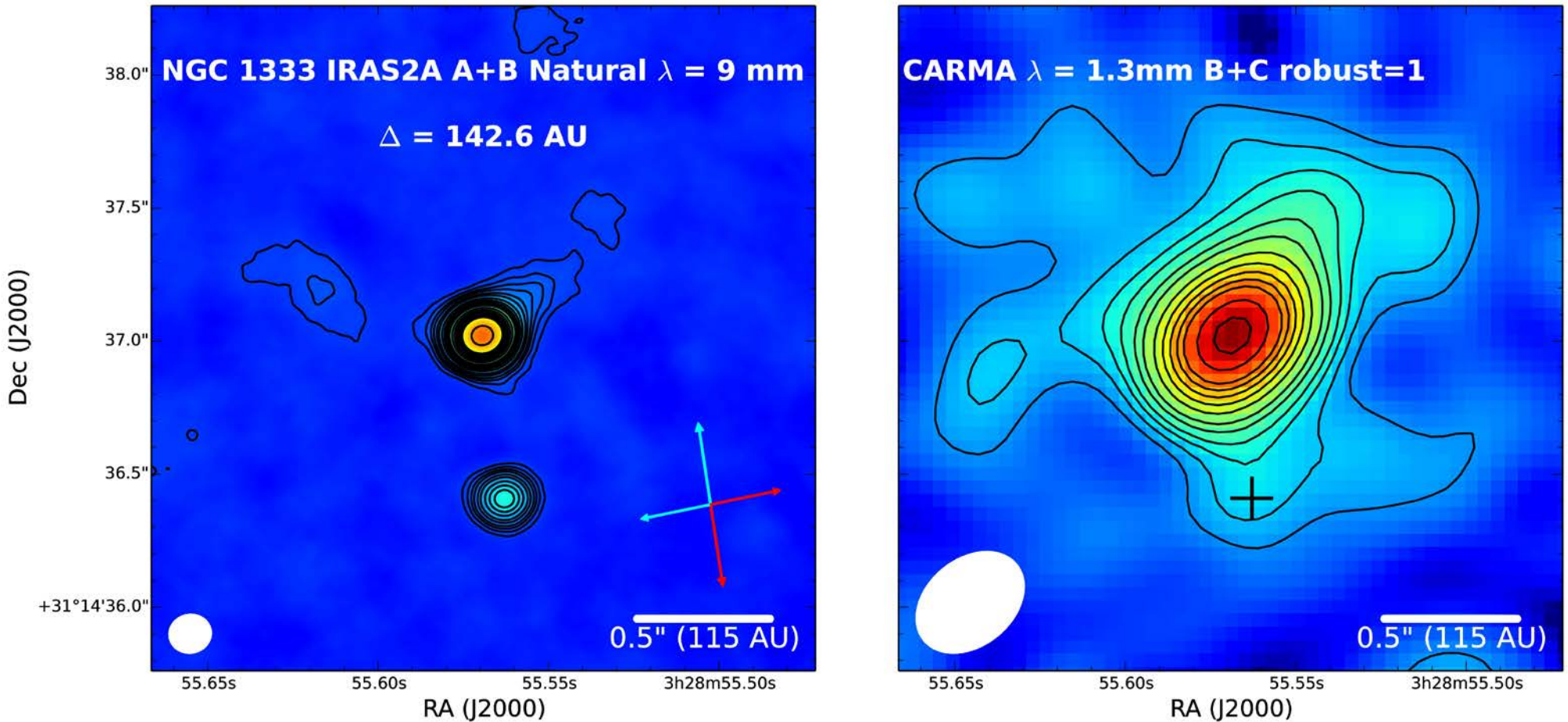
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- Lack of wide multiples toward Class I (more-evolved) sources
- Evolution of separations?
 - Fraction of < 300 AU systems $\sim$ constant
 - Wide systems form unbound and disperse?

Multiplicity Statistics

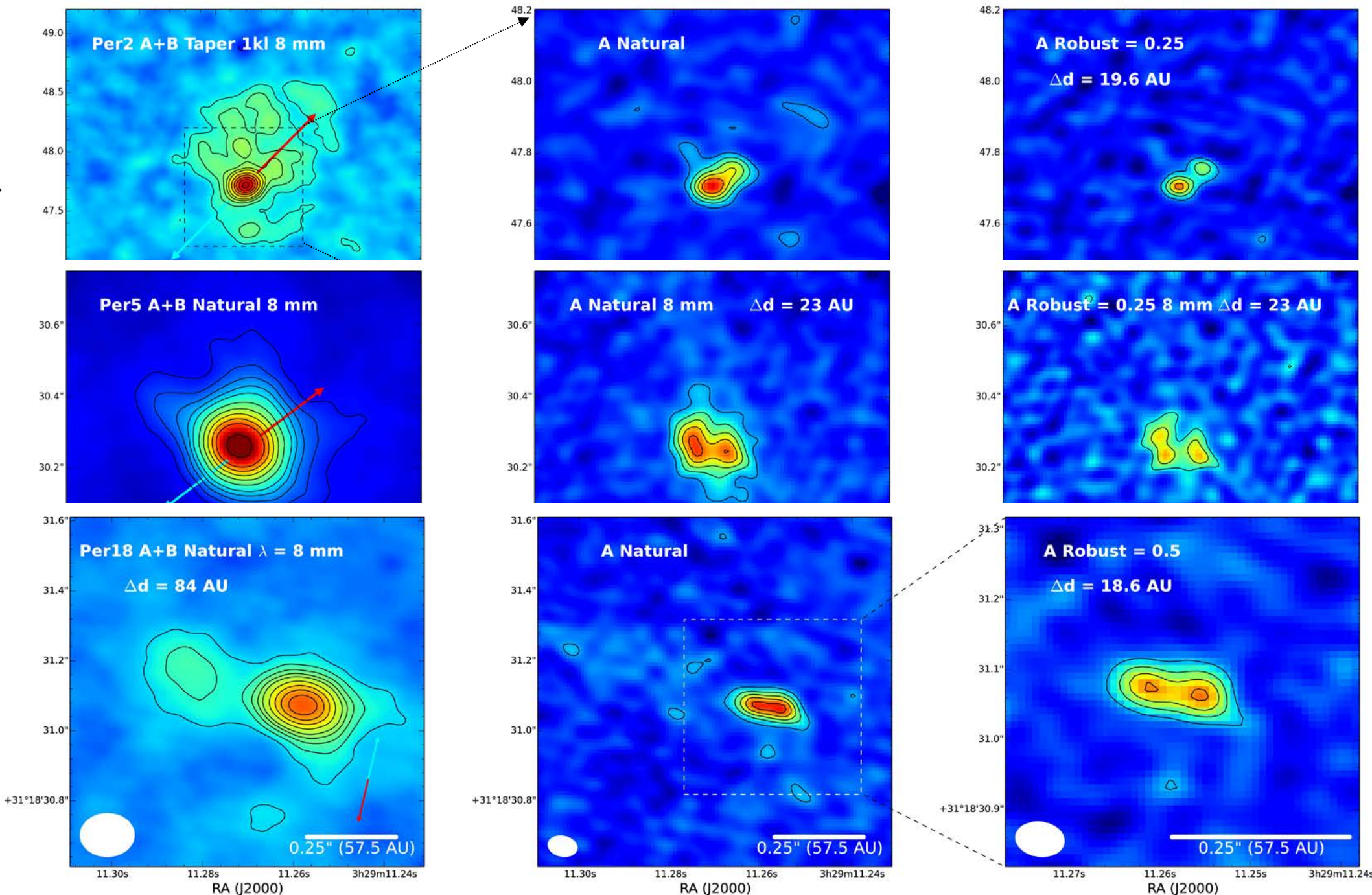
- Multiplicity Fraction (MF) and Companion Star Fraction (CSF) depend on scales of interest
- 15 AU to 10000 AU
 - Class 0 – MF = 0.57 – CSF = 1.21
 - Class I – MF = 0.23 – CSF = 0.23 – due to wide Class 0/I pairs
- 15 AU to 2000 AU
 - Class 0 – MF = 0.35 – CSF = 0.43
 - Class I – MF = 0.28 – CSF = 0.28
- 15 AU to 1000 AU
 - Class 0 – MF = 0.27 – CSF = 0.30
 - Class I – MF = 0.27 – CSF = 0.27
- Most stars are born in wide multiple systems that rapid dissolve
 - Smaller fraction have closer companions

Why the VLA?



- Companions identified not always bright at 1.3 mm

Evidence for Fragmenting Disks

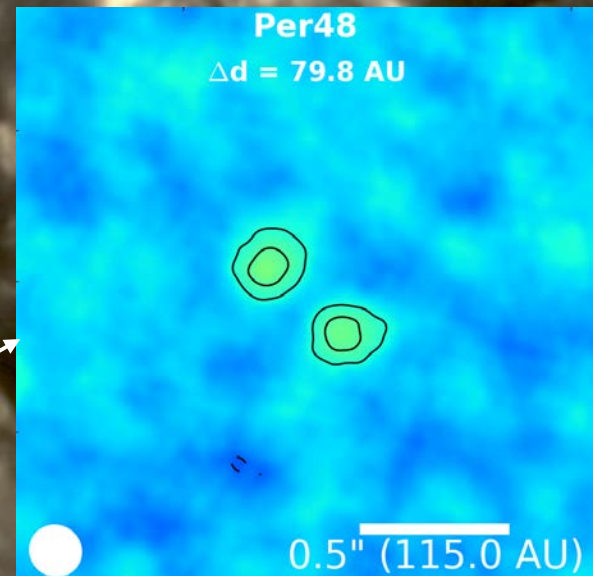
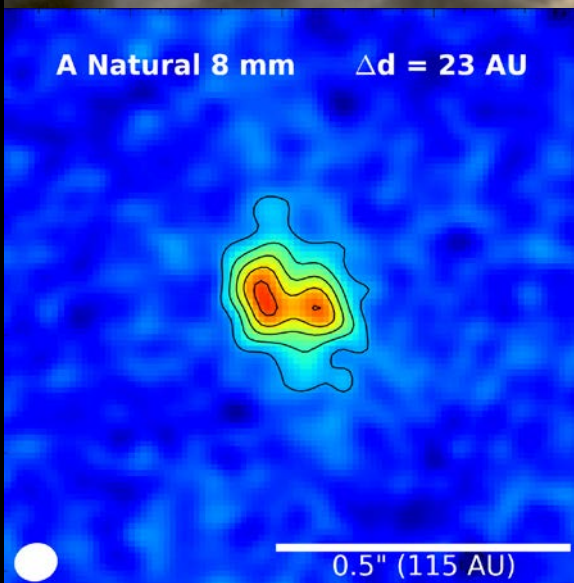
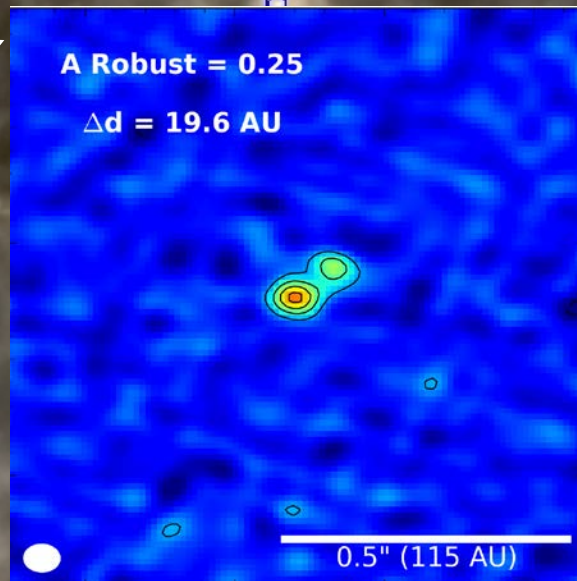
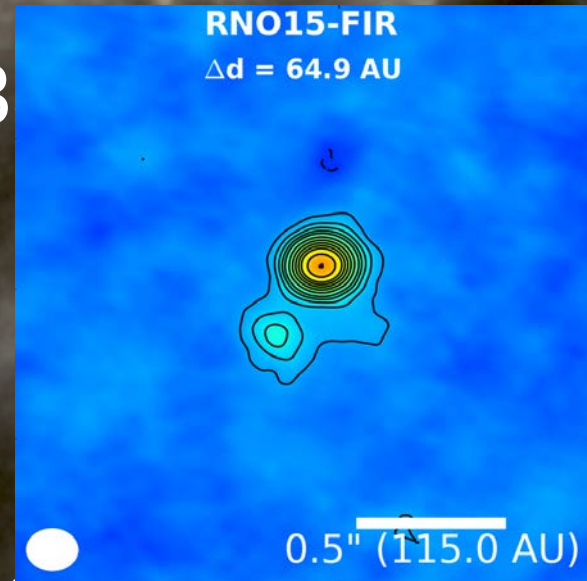
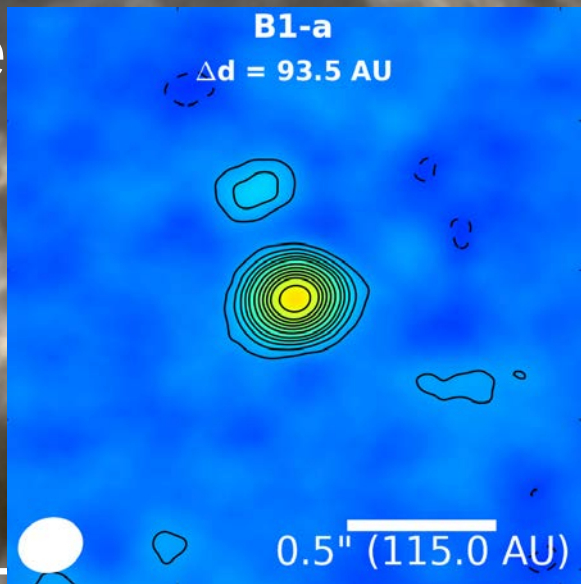


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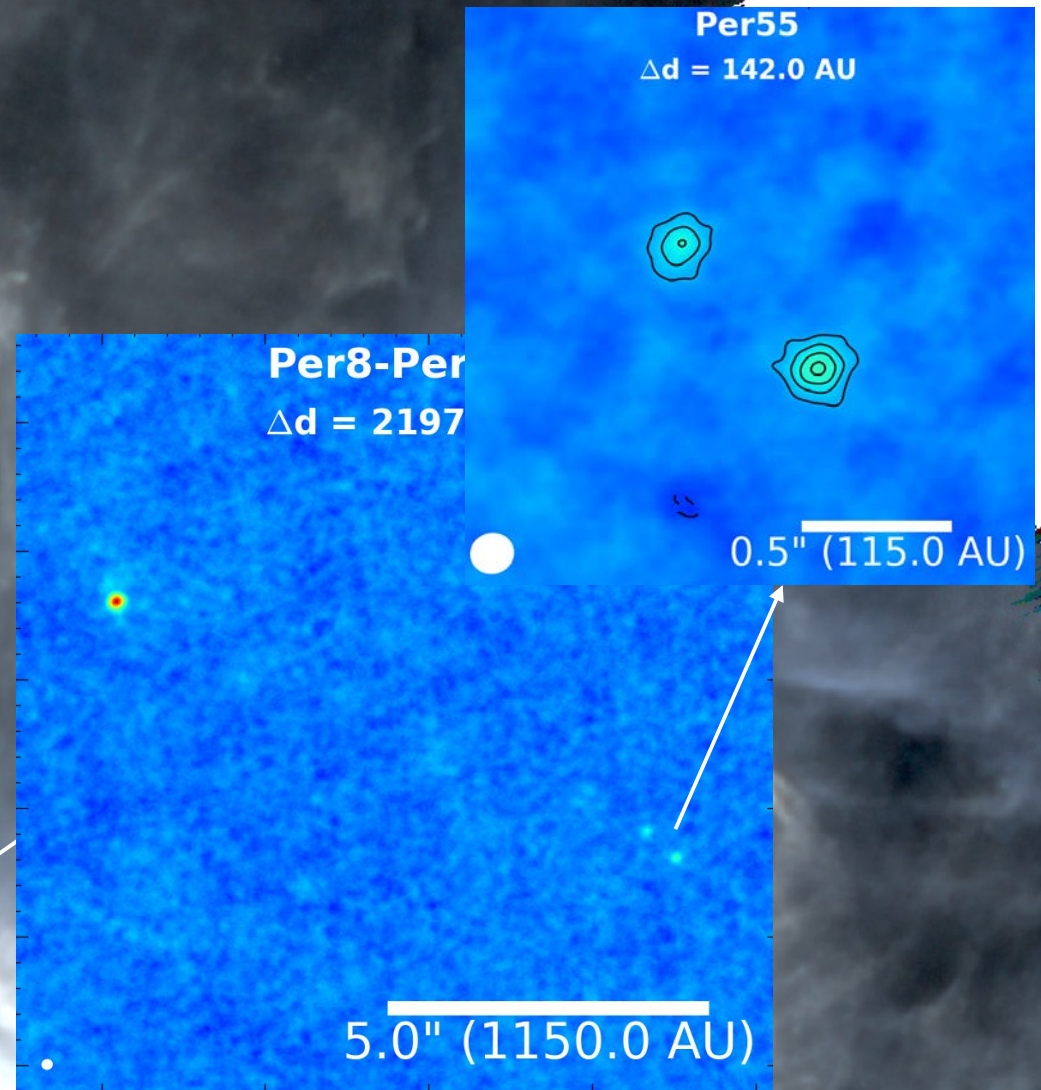
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Eastern Perseus Molecular Cloud

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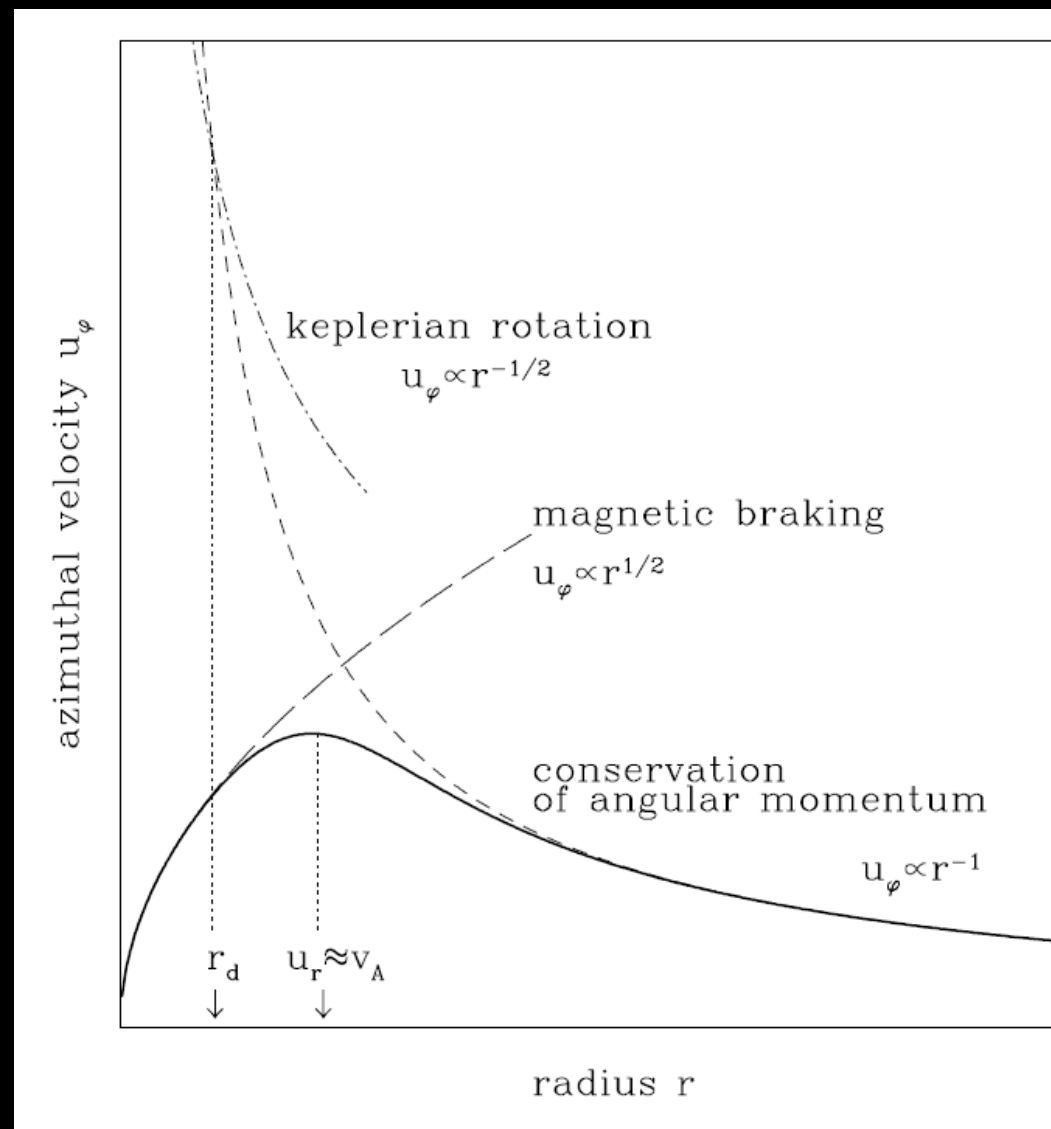


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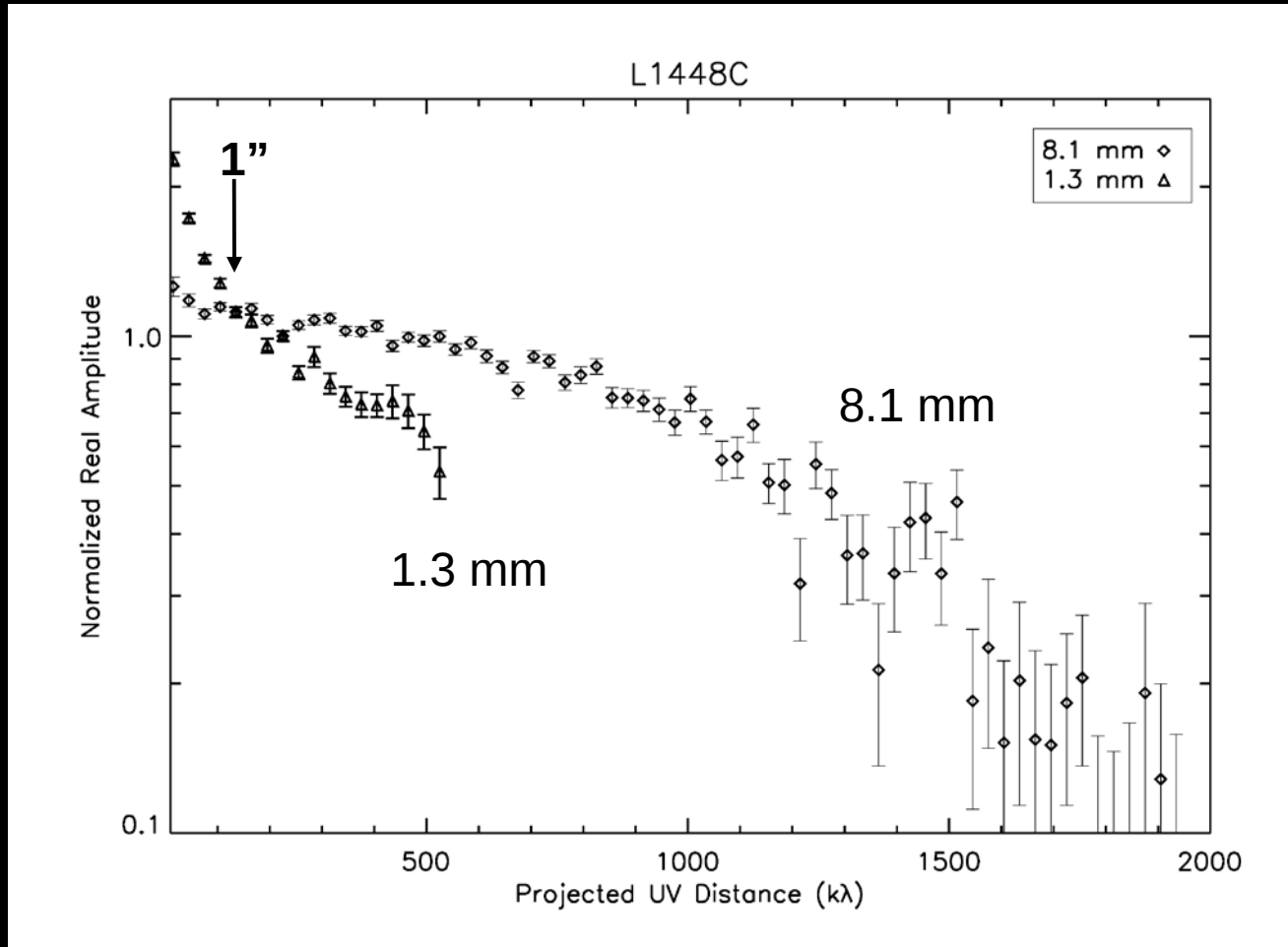
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Problems for Disk Formation?

- Disks form due to conservation of angular momentum
- Magnetized clouds pose some complications
 - Angular momentum removed
 - 'Magnetic braking catastrophe'
 - Prediction of ideal MHD
- Several potential remedies
 - Non-ideal MHD – Ohmic Diss. (Dapp & Basu 2010)
 - Misaligned rotation and magnetic field (Joos+2010)
 - Magnetic mirroring of Cosmic Rays (Padovani+2013)

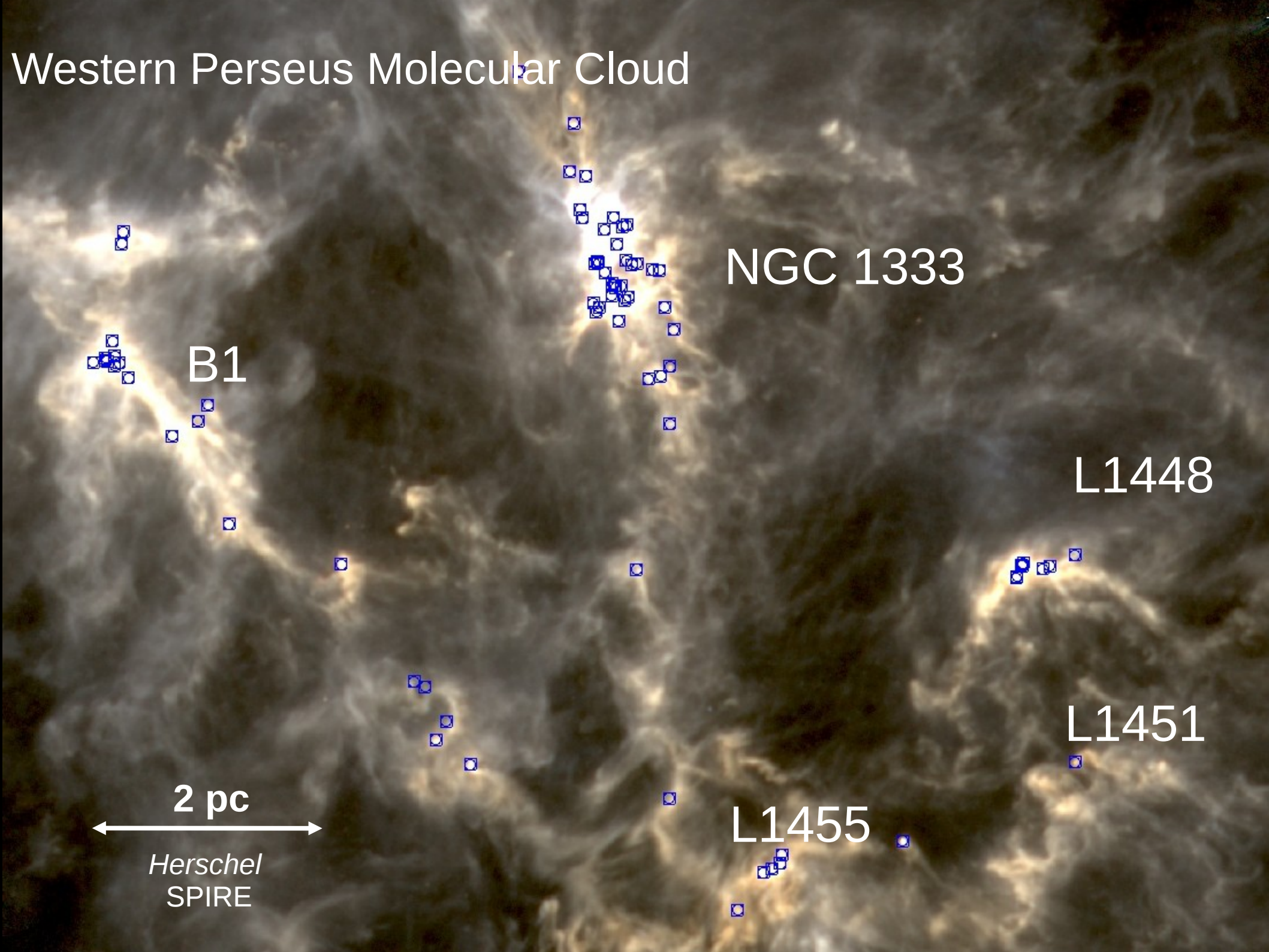


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 - Evidence for grain growth and radial drift early, Class 0 phase

Western Perseus Molecular Cloud



NGC 1333

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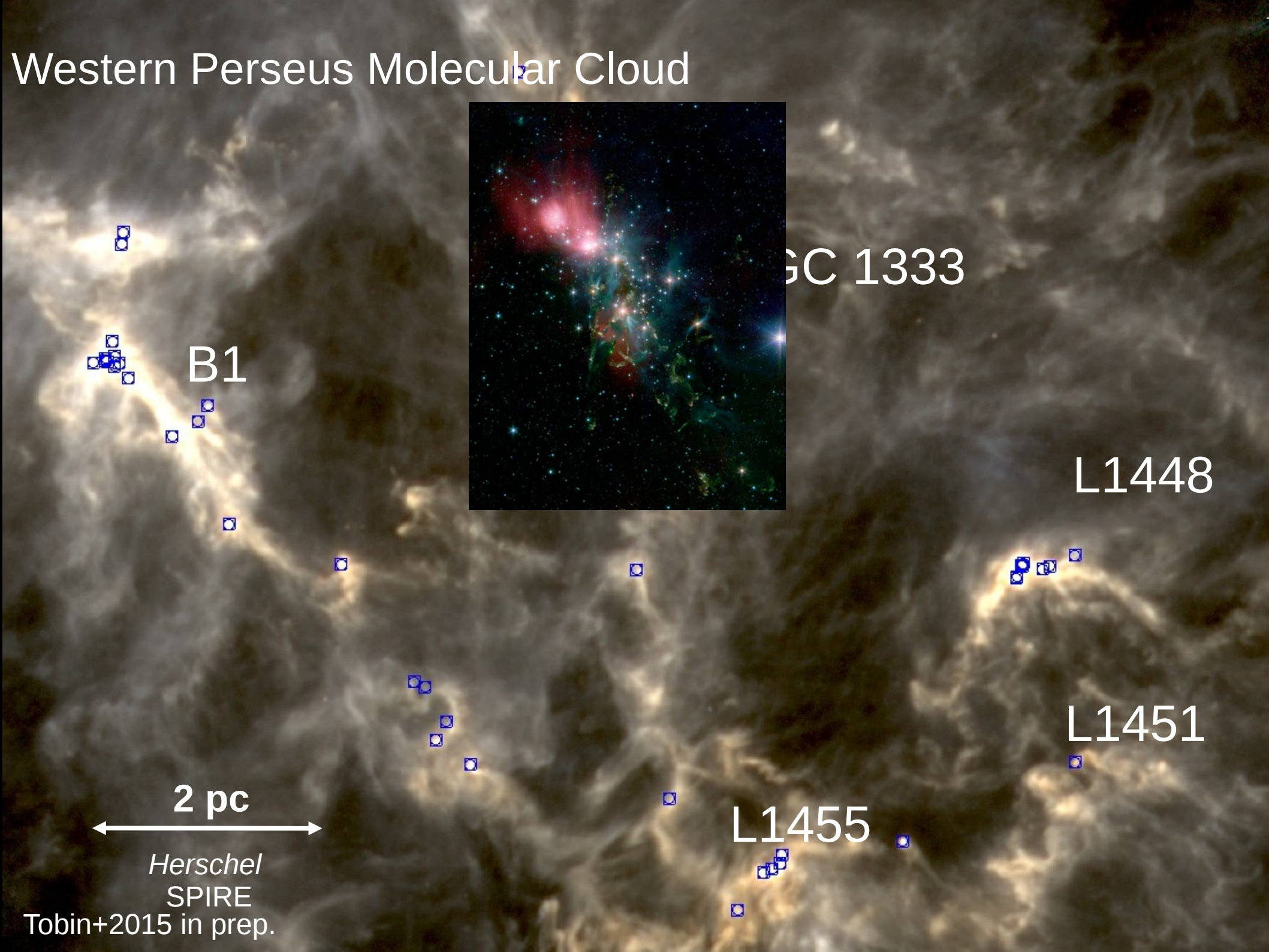
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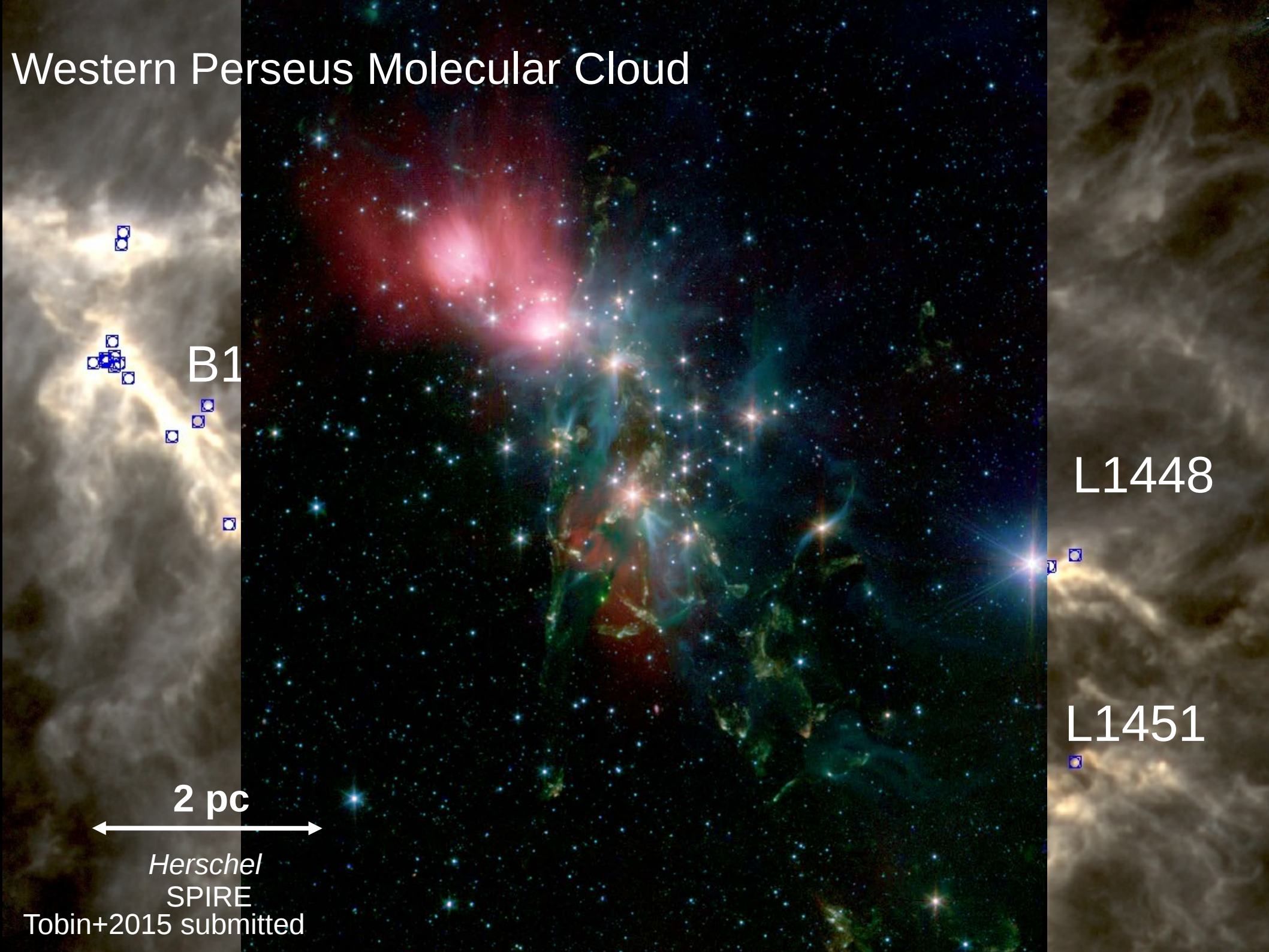
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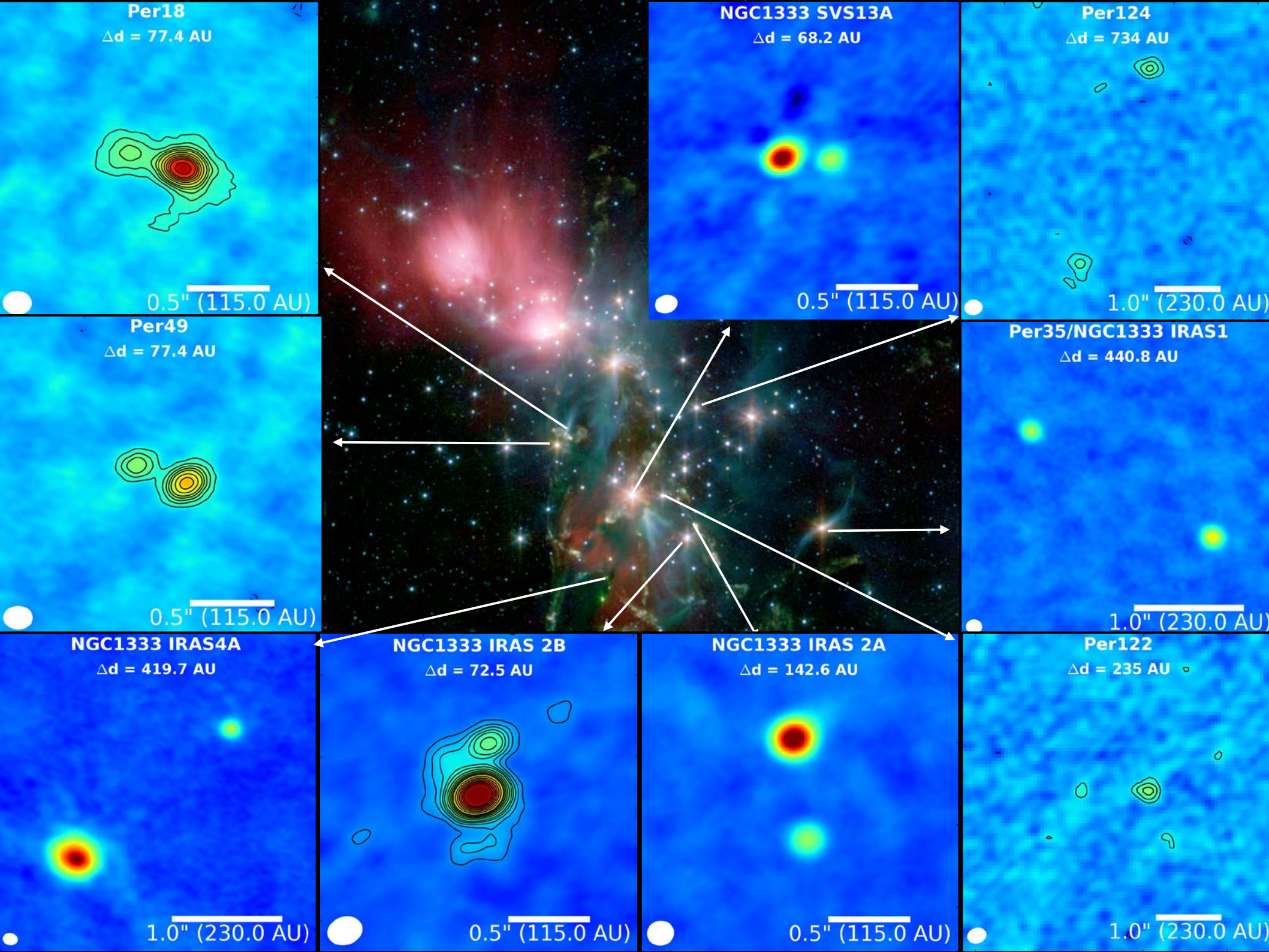
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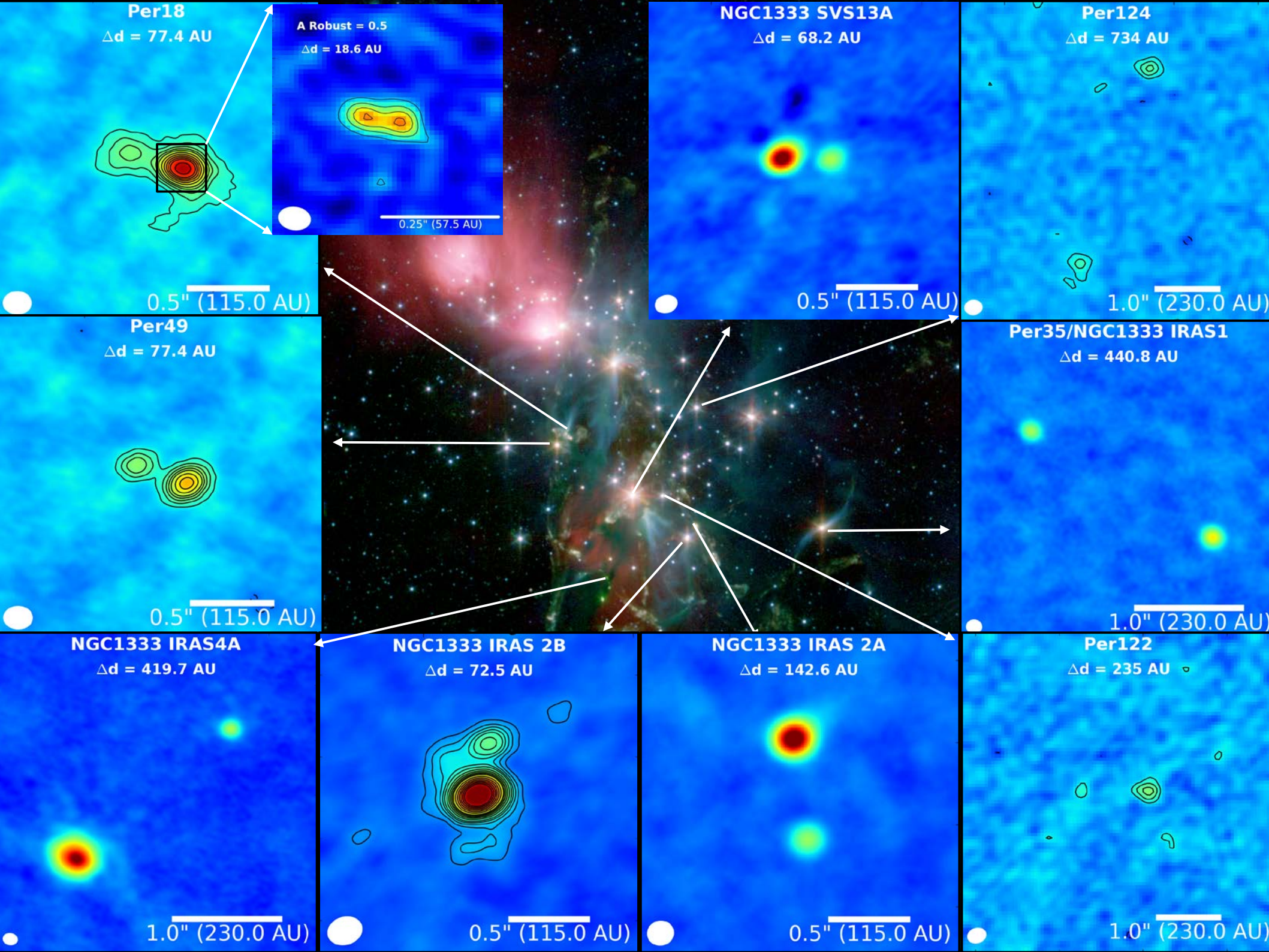
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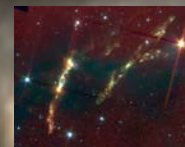
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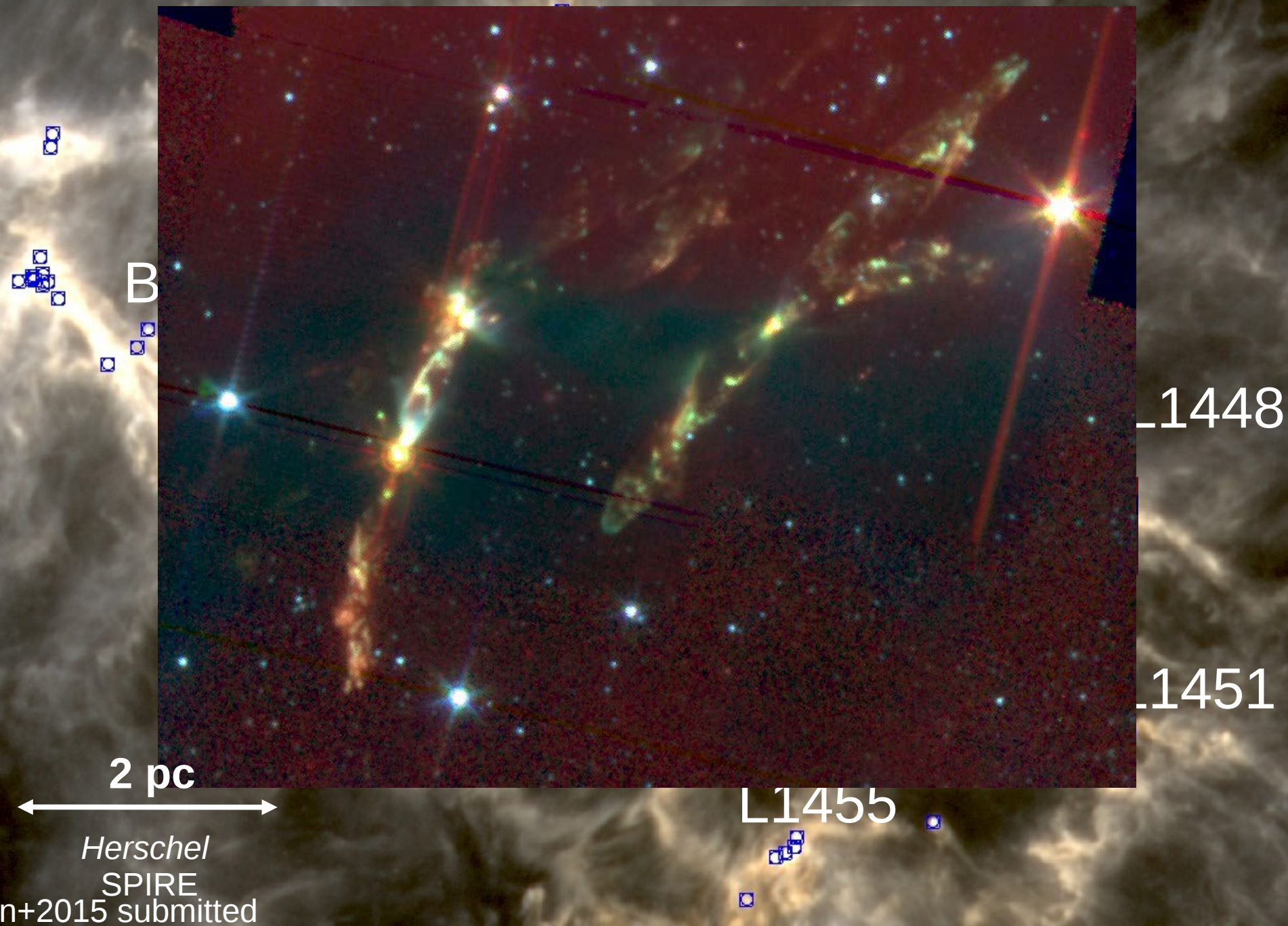
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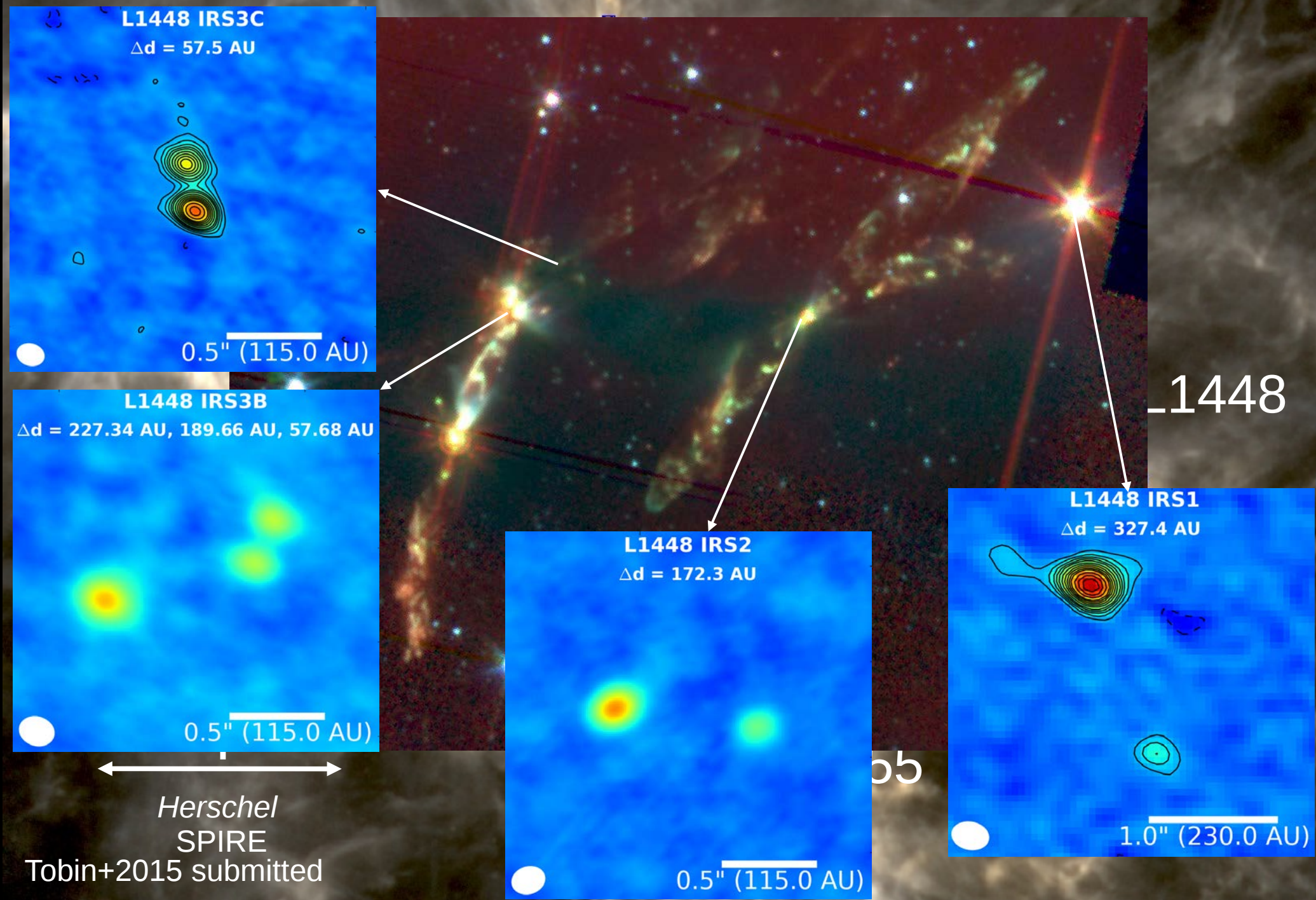
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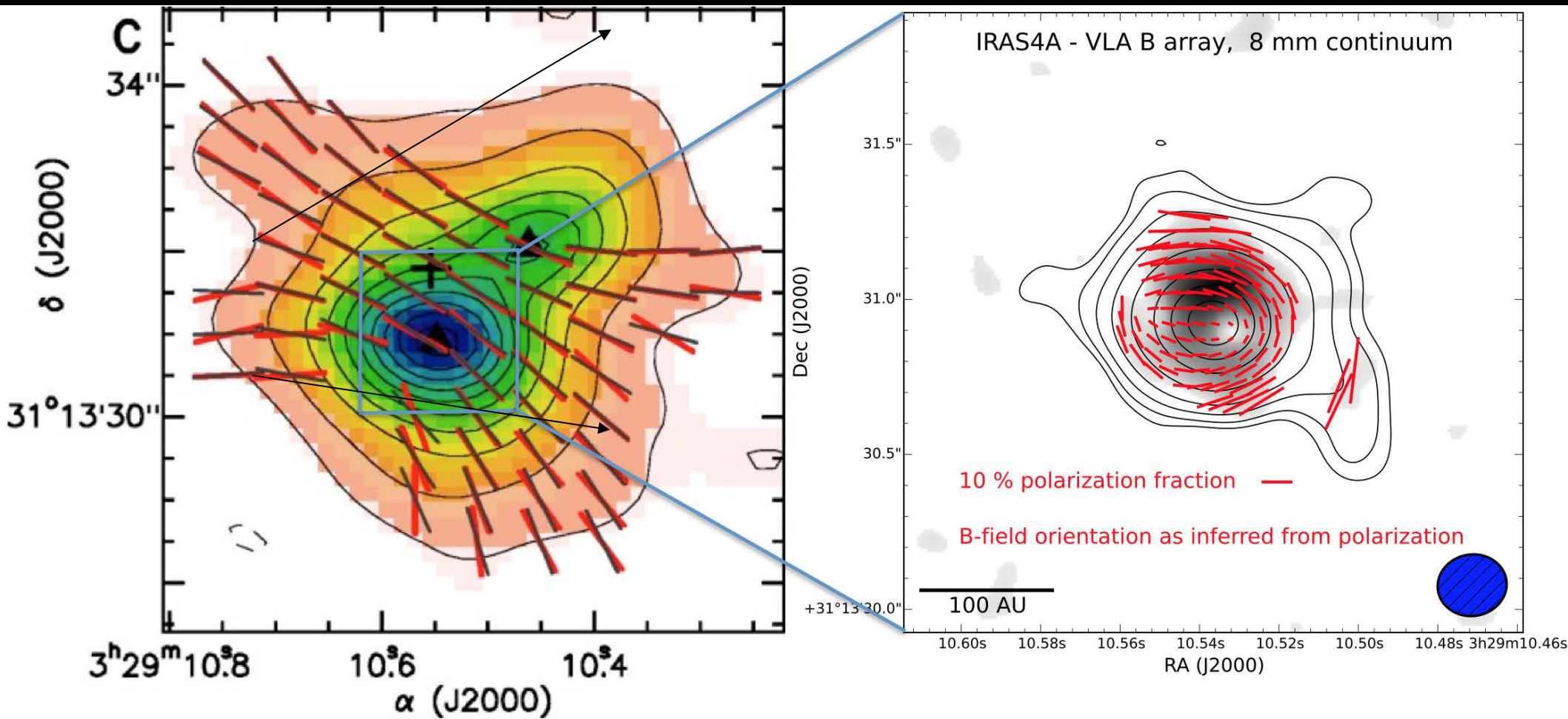
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A Brief Aside: 8 mm Polarization

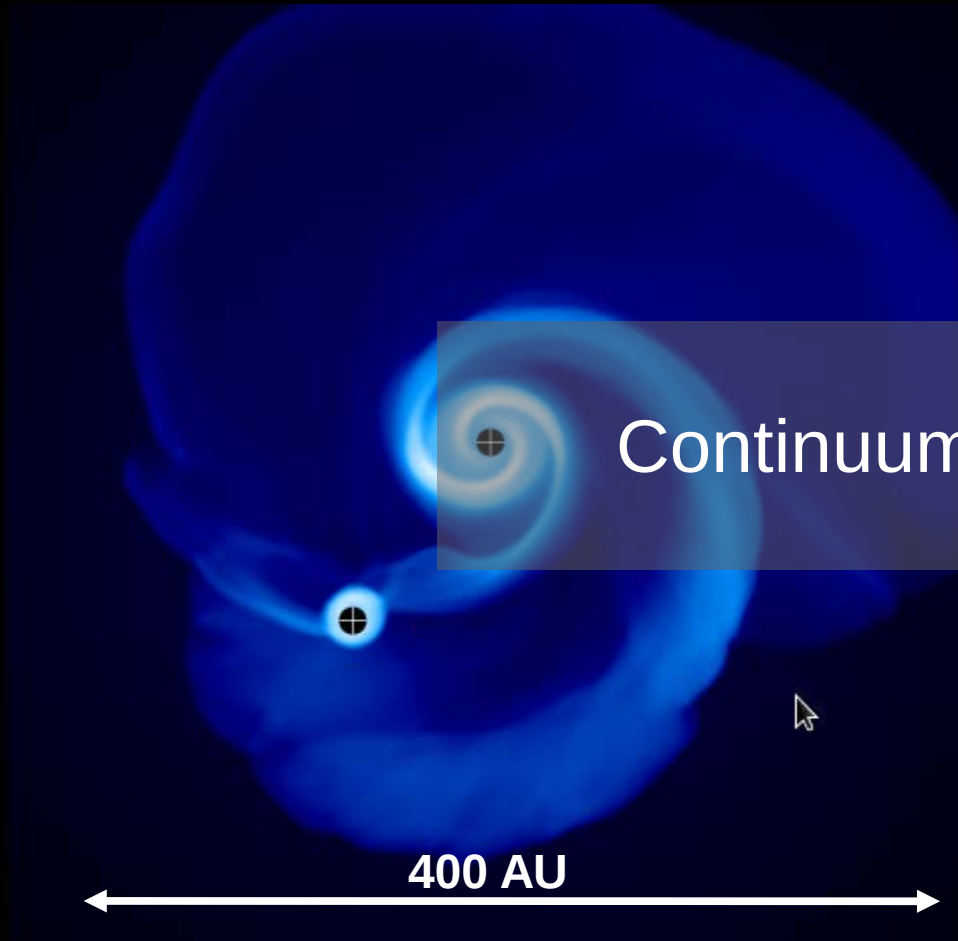


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Protostellar Disks: Big or Small?

Large, massive – Gravitationally Unstable

Small, low-mass, and/or no rotational support



Continuum of disk sizes?

~20 AU

Adapted from
Kratter+2010

e.g., Vorobyov 2010, Kratter+2010

Little or no magnetic braking (e.g. TSC

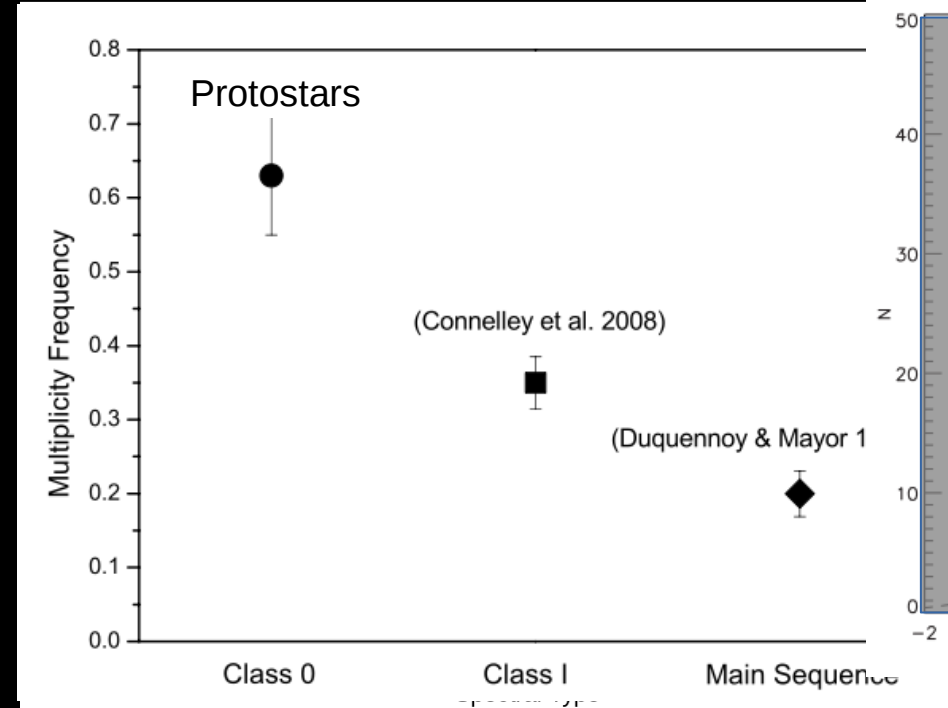
1984)

Significant magnetic braking? Allen+2003,
Galli2006, Mellon & Li 2008, et al.

- Youngest protostellar disks have long eluded direct observation

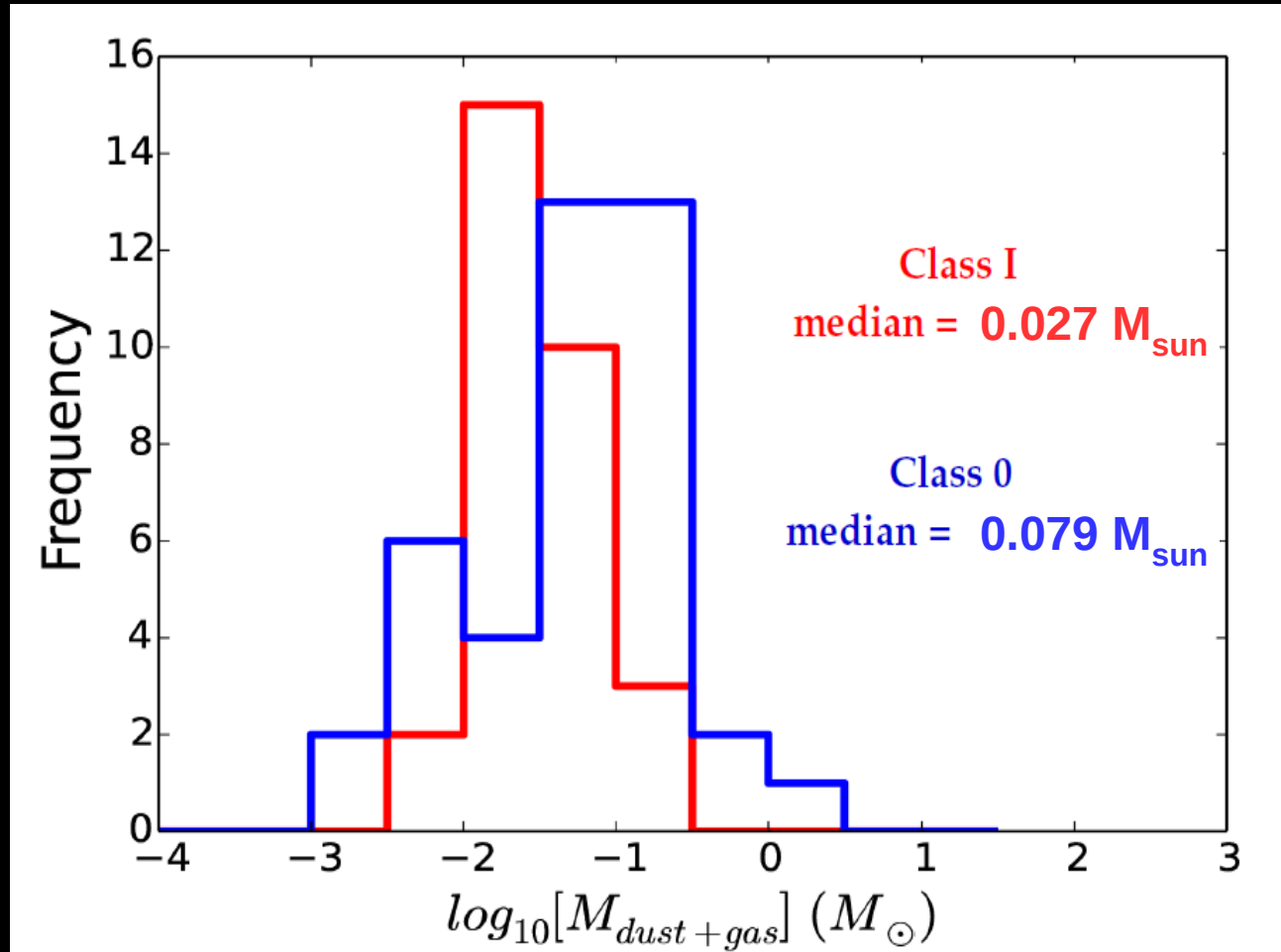
Multiple Star Formation

- Multiplicity key component of star and planet formation
 - Star formation efficiency
 - Stable planetary systems
 - Evolution of multiples different?
- Most protostars form as multiples
 - Typically found at $R > 600$ AU
- Field star separations must have evolved
 - Where/how are the companions born?
- Few proto-binaries known to have separations < 500 AU
 - Lack of multiplicity suggested (Maury+2010)
 - Observations with enough resolution lacking



Lada 2006
Raghavan+10
 $50 < R < 5000$ AU Chen+13

VANDAM 'Disk' Masses



Tobin+2016 in prep.

- Masses from 8 mm emission corrected for free-free contribution
 - Extrapolation from 4 cm and 6.4 cm data
 - Assume Ossenkopf & Henning 1994 at 1.3 mm, $\beta = 1$ to 8 mm

VANDAM Class I Disk Candidates

