

Star and Planet Formation: New Insights from Spatially Resolved Observations

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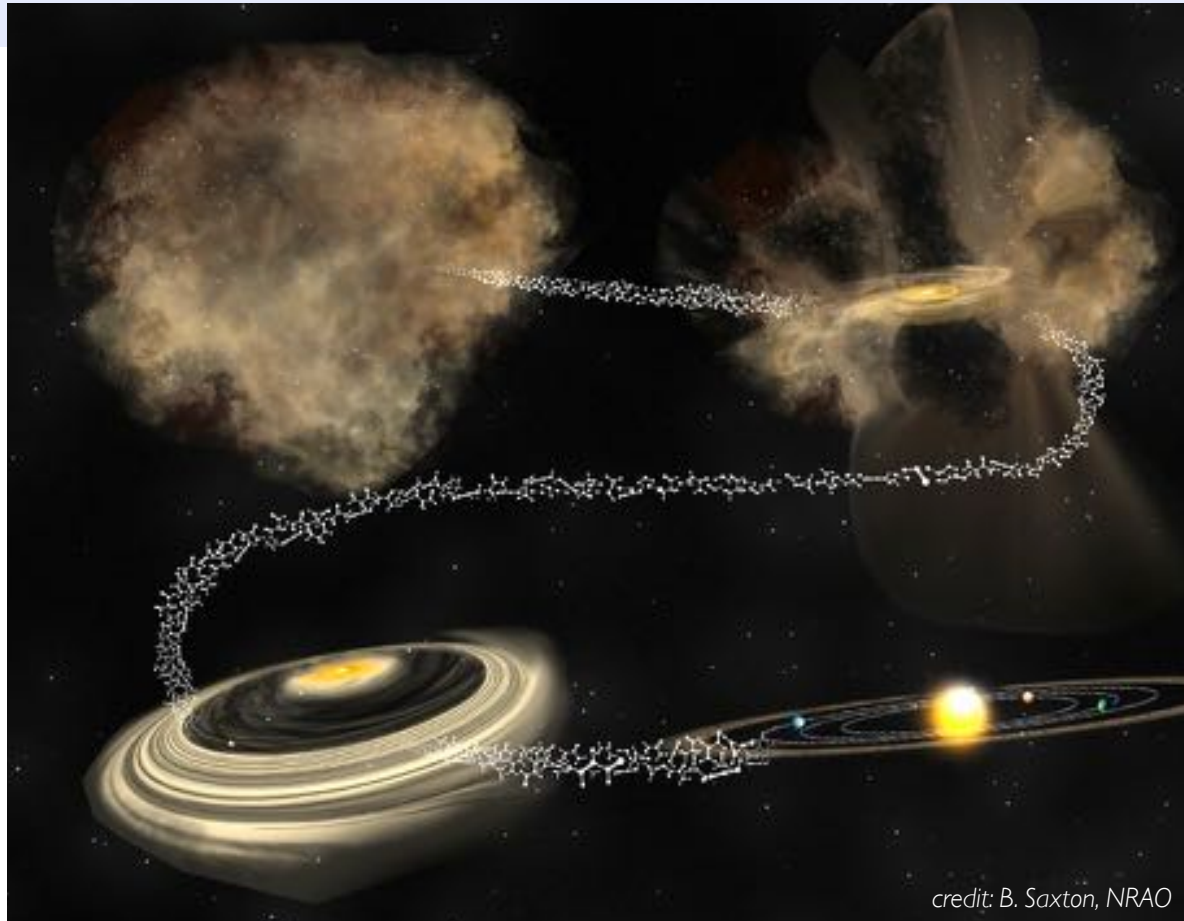
Setting the stage: Our current view of low-mass star and planet formation

Pre-stellar
Core

Class 0/I
object

Protoplanetary
Disk

Debris
Disk



credit: B. Saxton, NRAO

Setting the stage: What do we learn about disks from radio-wave observations?

Rich set of information from sub-mm to cm wavelengths

Gas component
(molecular line emission)

I_v { T_{gas} , abundances \rightarrow chemistry
Kinematics $\rightarrow M_{\star}$, turbulence
Distribution \rightarrow sizes, geometry

Dust component
(thermal dust emission)

Generally optically thin at $\lambda > \text{mm}$

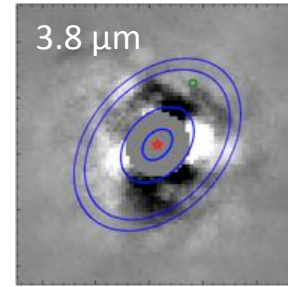
$$I_v \approx B_v(T_d) \tau_v \approx \kappa_v \Sigma_d T_d$$

Dust
properties

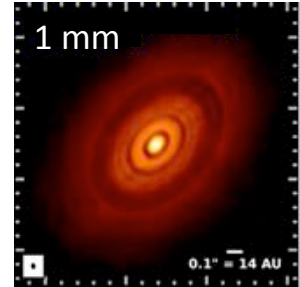
Mass available

Disk
temperature

Contrast is not a problem!

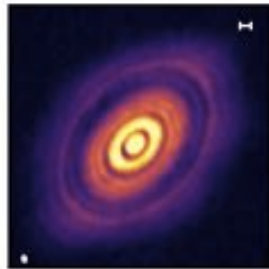


Testi et al. 2015

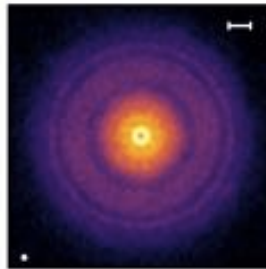


ALMA Partnership +LP et al. 2015

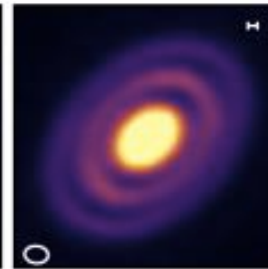
ALMA+VLA
have been
transformational
to the field



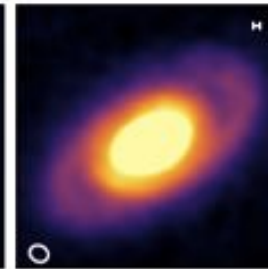
ALMA Partnership +2015



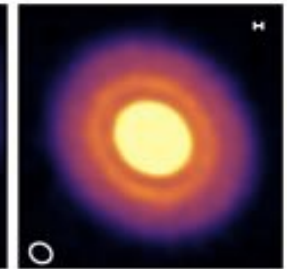
Andrews et al. 2016



Isella et al. 2016



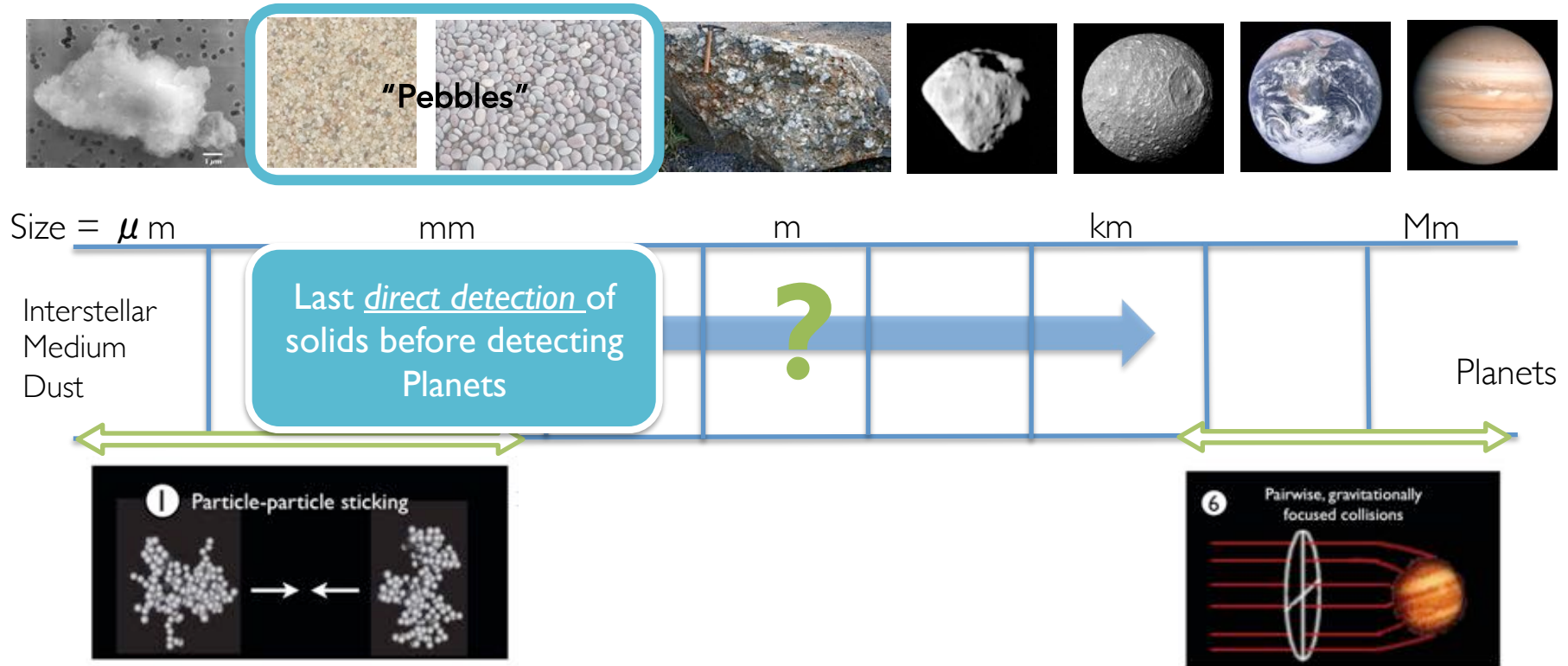
Pérez et al. 2016



Dipierro et al. 2018

Setting the stage: From ISM dust to planetary systems

14 orders of magnitude growth



The evolution of solids in disks: Modulated by the gas

Dust transport impacts its growth

The radial drift of solids

Whipple (1972)

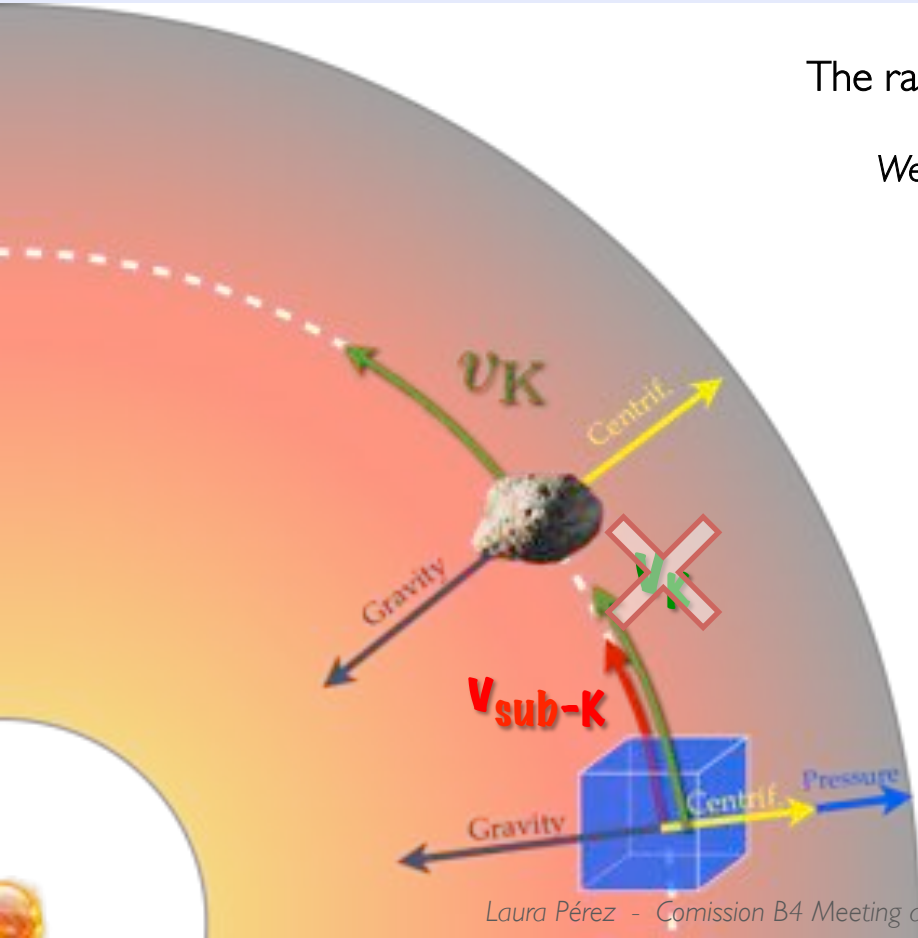
Weidenschilling (1977)



Drift velocity of the dust:

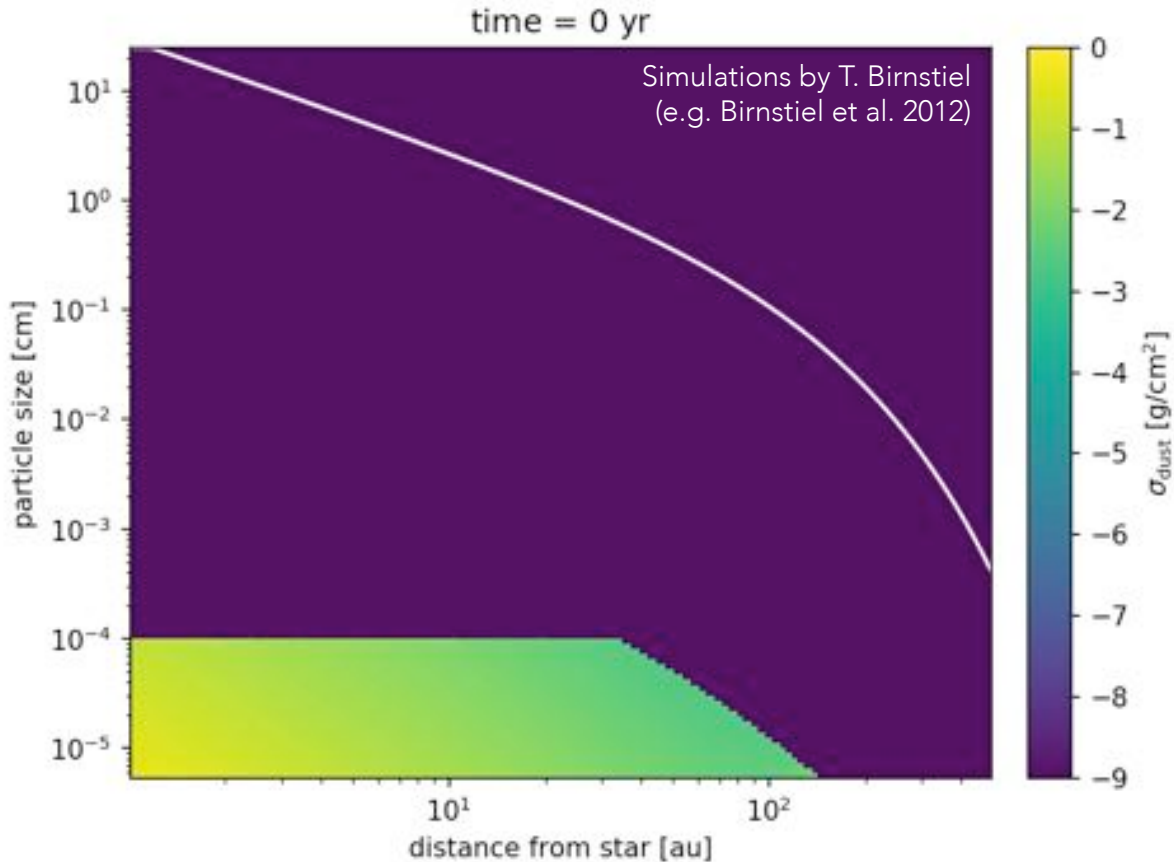
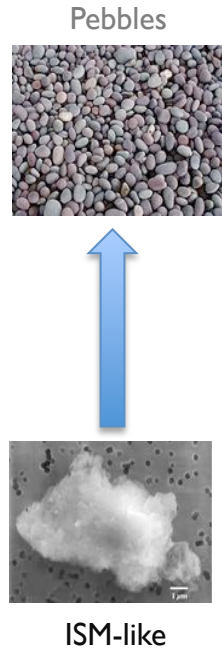
$$v_{r, dust} \propto \frac{dP}{dr}$$

→ Dust drifts toward P_{\max}



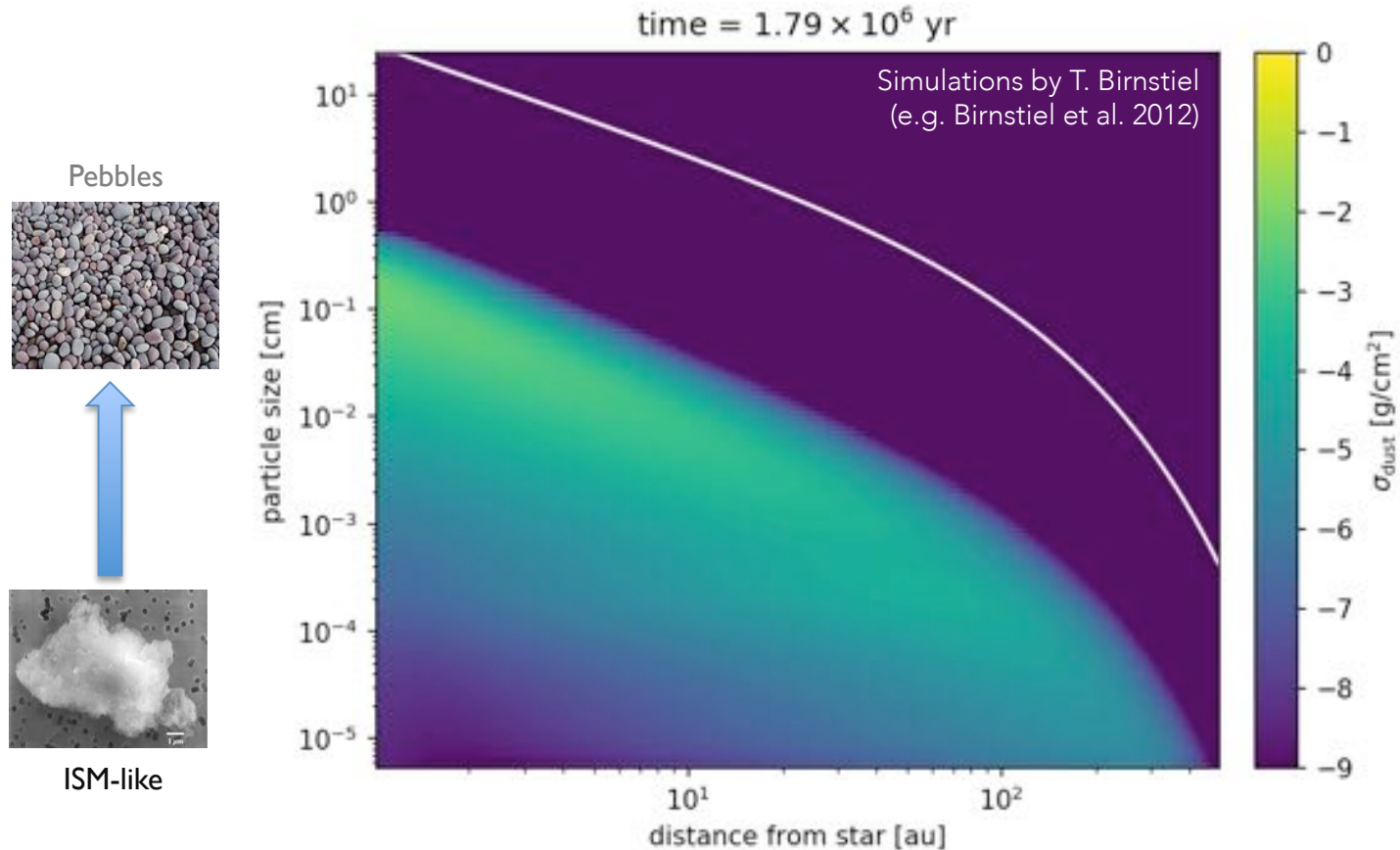
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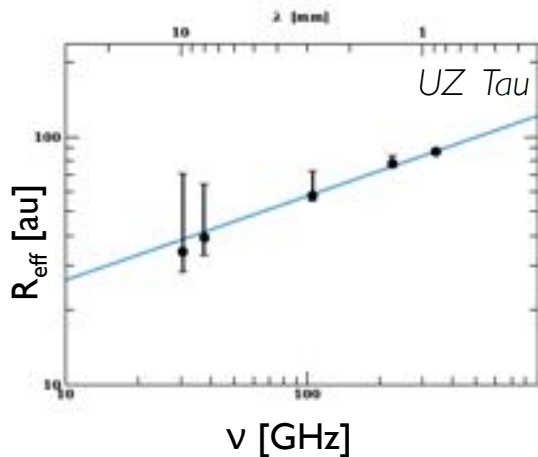
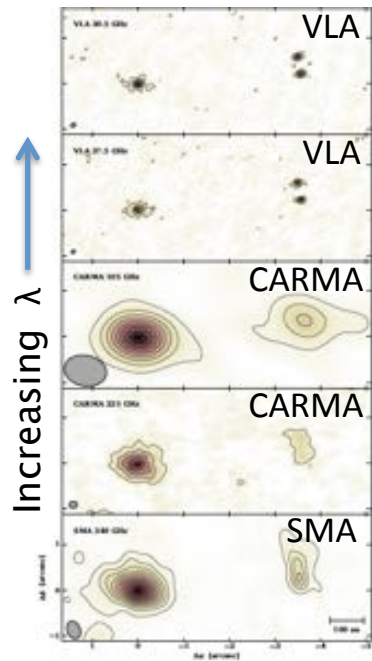
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The evolution of solids in disks: what do observations tell us?

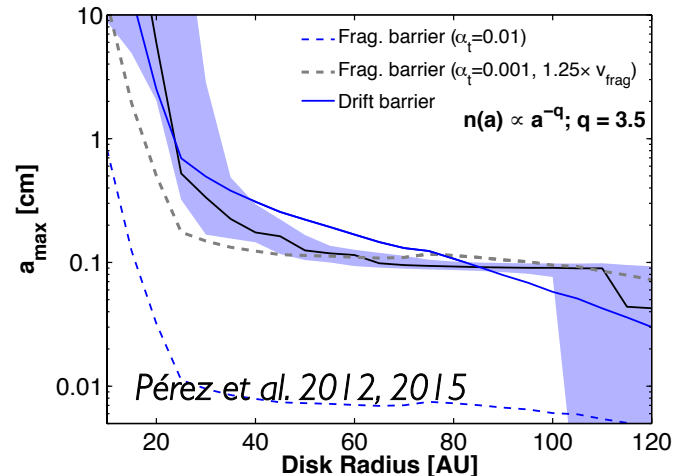
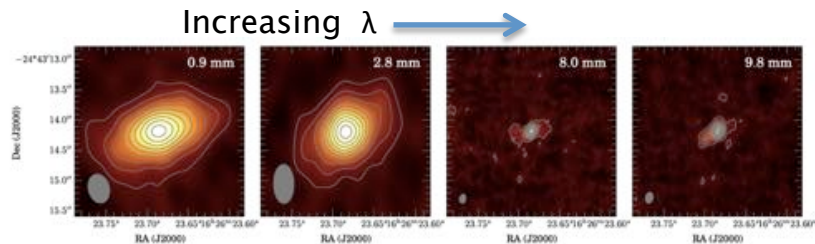
Inferring particle-size distribution in disks from multi-wavelength observations

Disks get “smaller” with increasing λ



Tripathi +LP et al. 2018

Particles are “smaller” at increasing R



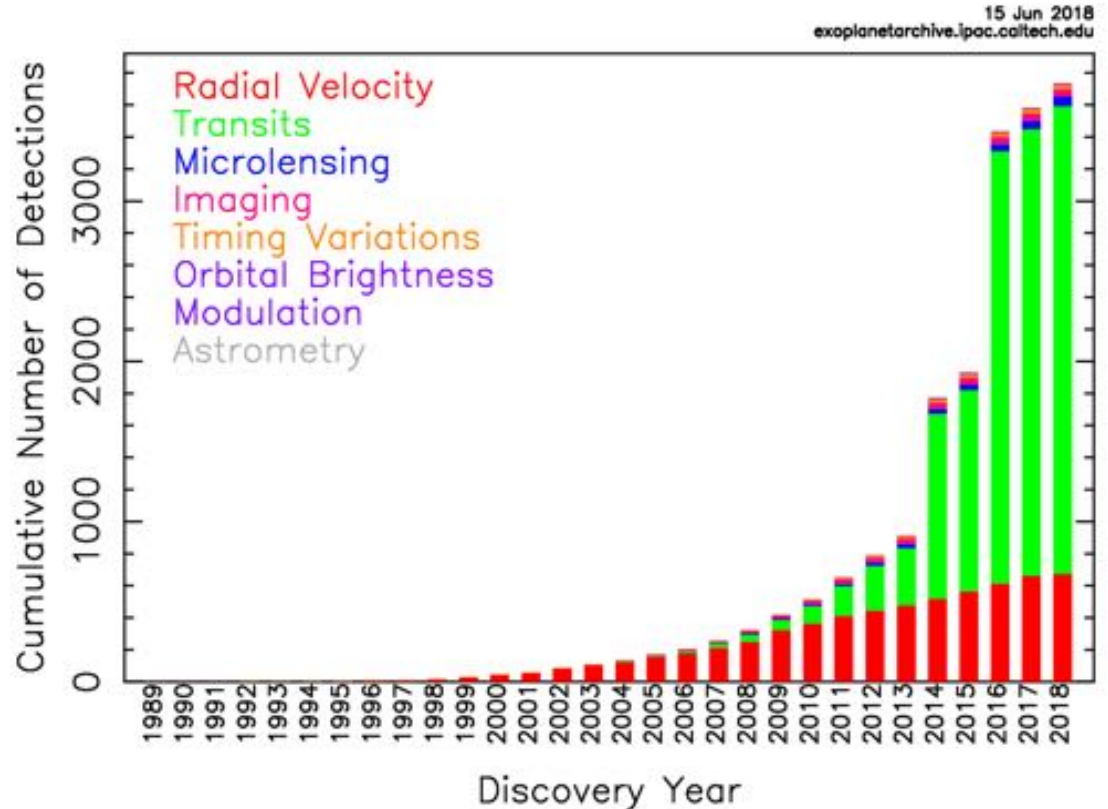
Nature somehow overcomes these growth barriers

... after all, planets exist!

Solar system + exoplanet detections

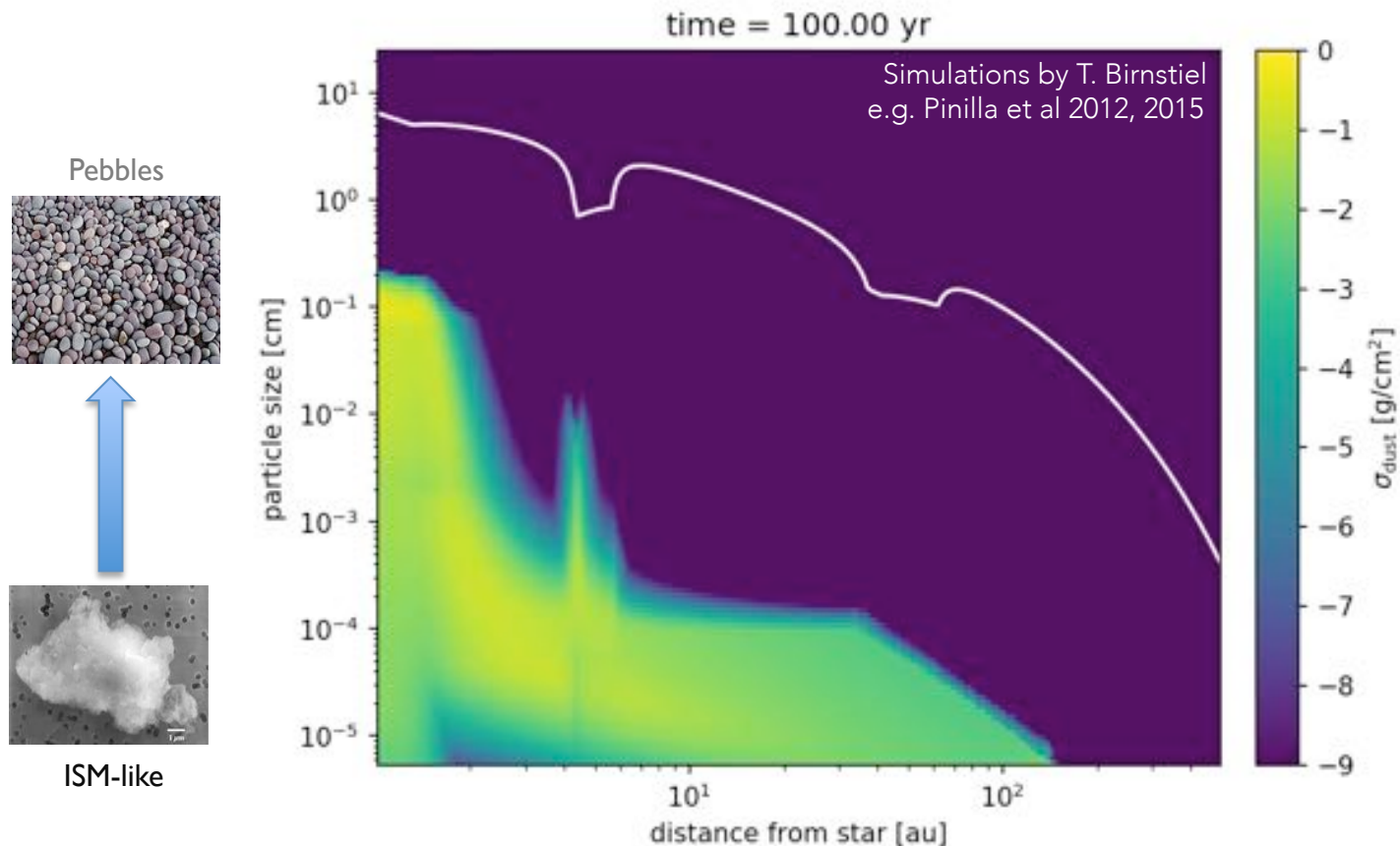


Cumulative Detections Per Year



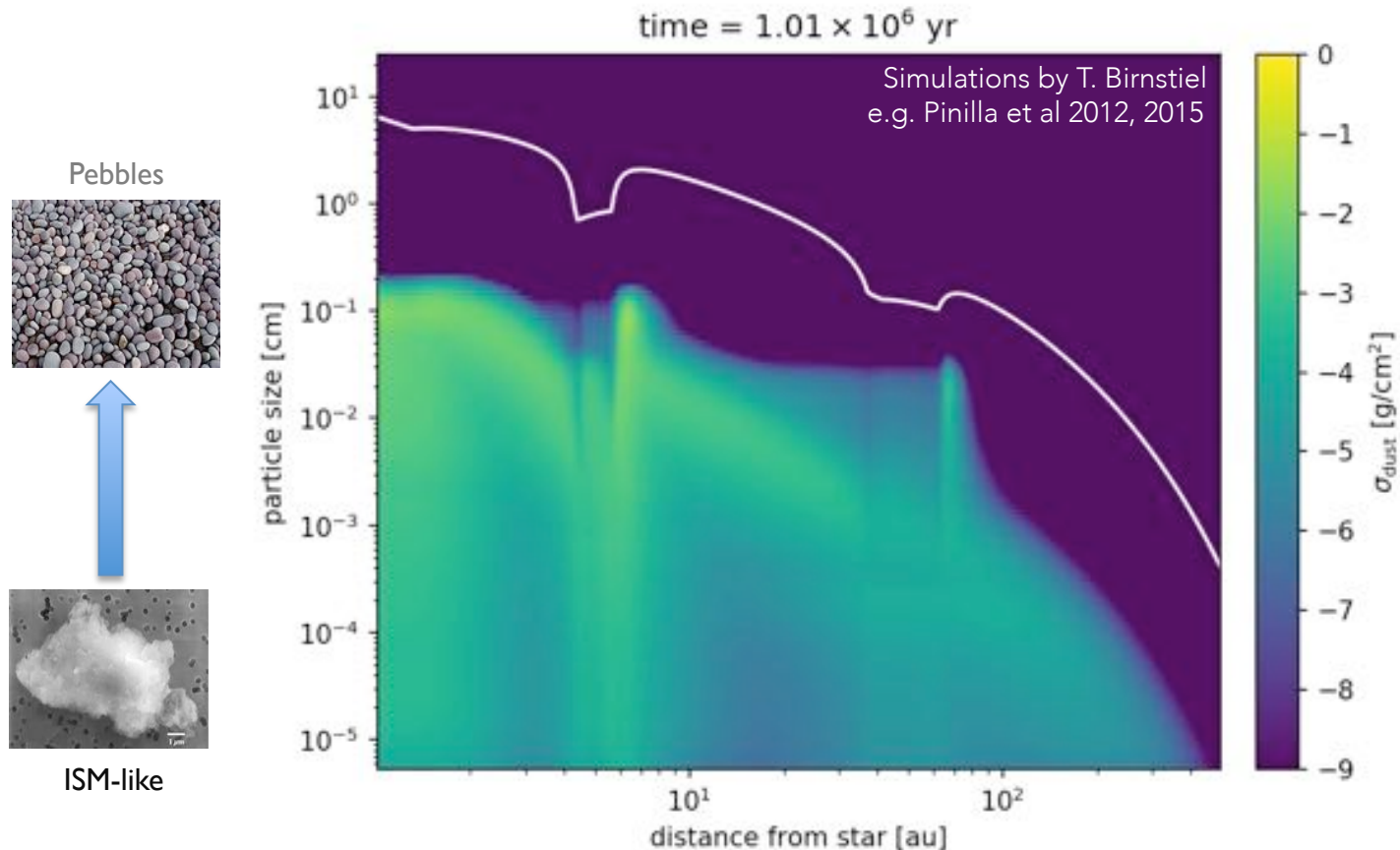
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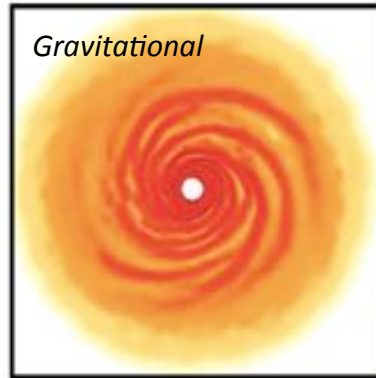
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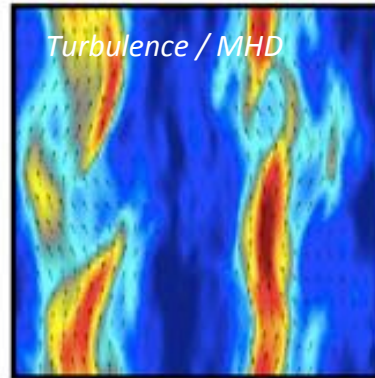
How is substructure created?

There are plenty of ways!

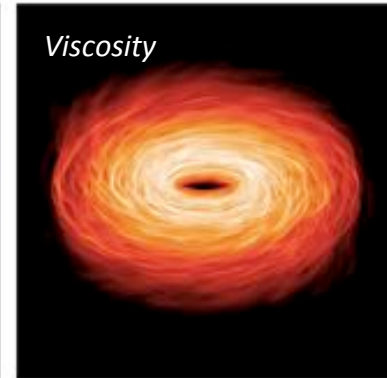
Instabilities



Dipierro et al. 2014

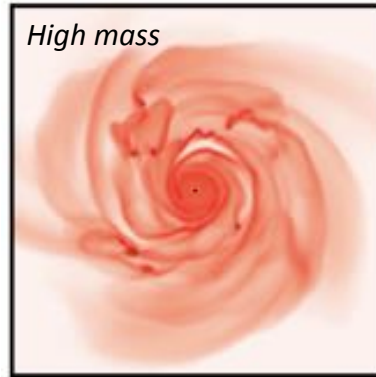


Bai 2015

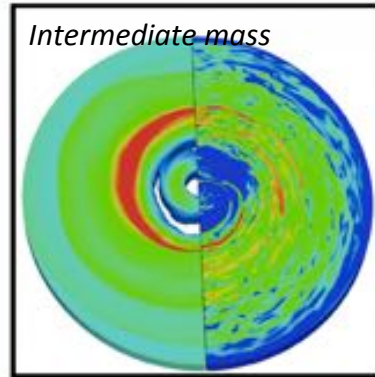


M. Flock

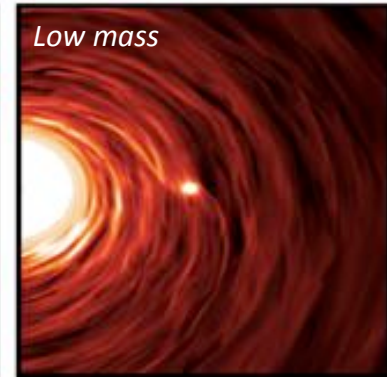
Companions



Lichtenberg & Schleicher 2015



Z. Zhu



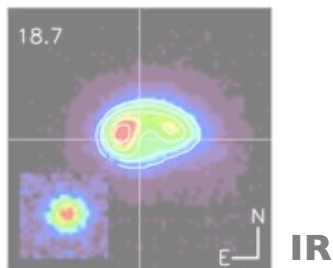
C. Baruteau

slide c/o
S. Andrews

For many disks, we already knew about substructure

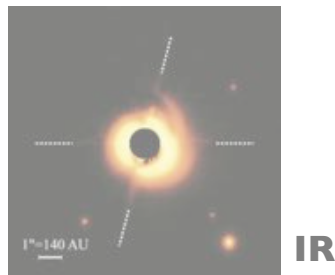
Transition Disks: substructure was already known even without an image! (SED modeling)

IRS Oph 48



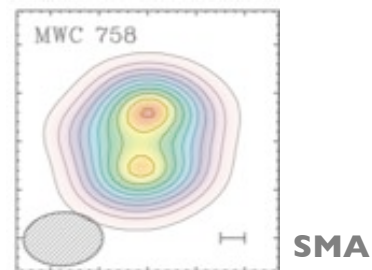
Geers et al. 2007

HD 142527



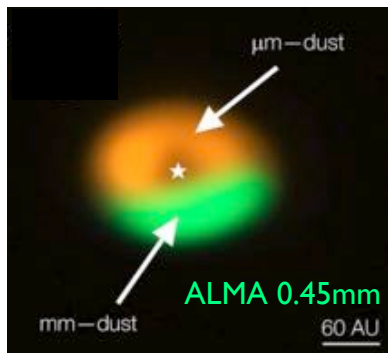
Fukagawa et al. 2006

MWC 758

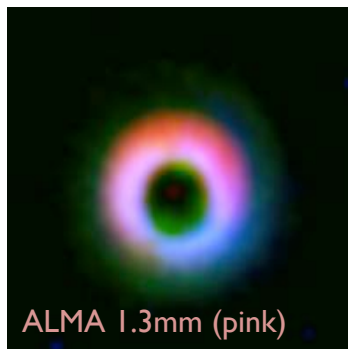


Andrews et al. 2011

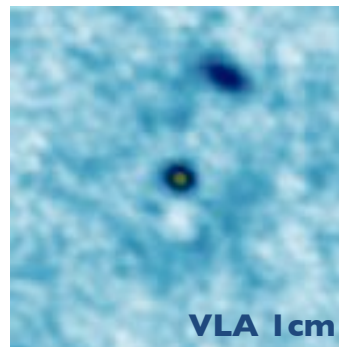
Radio's view



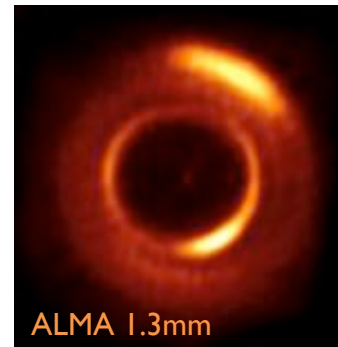
Van der Marel et al. (2013)



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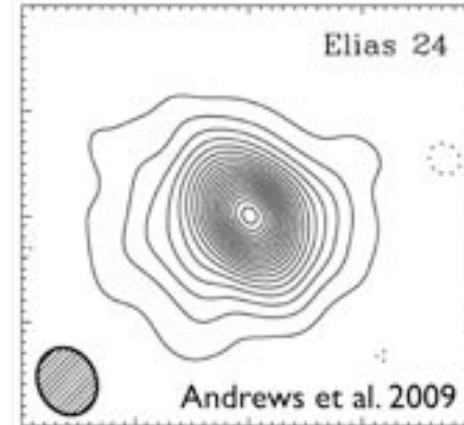
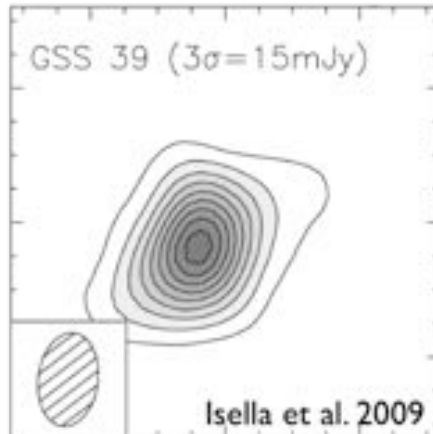
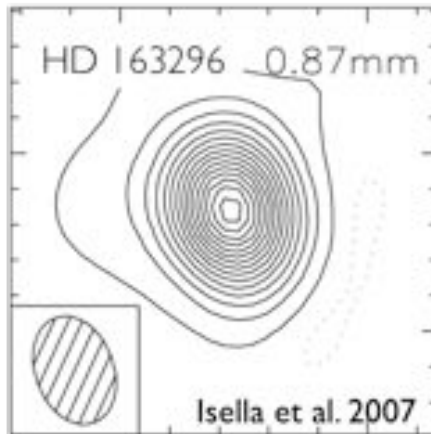
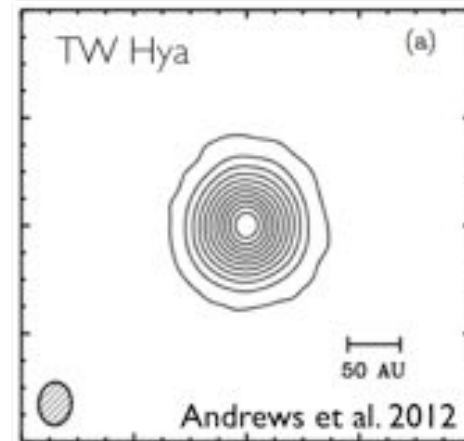
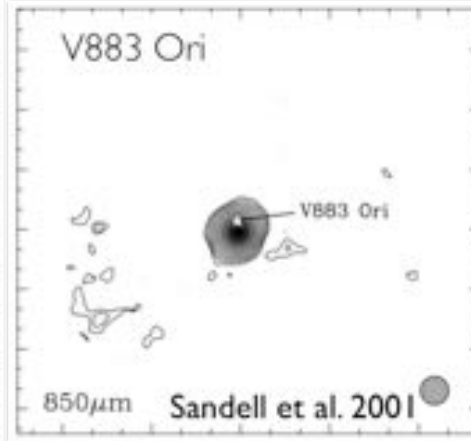
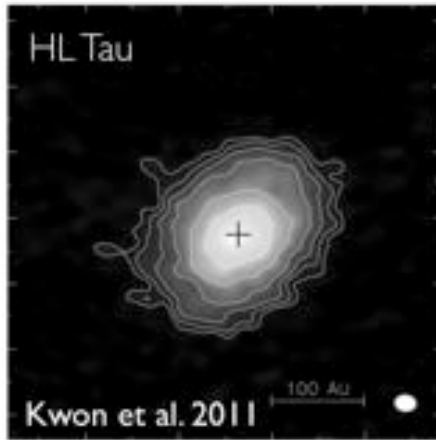


Casassus et al. (2018)

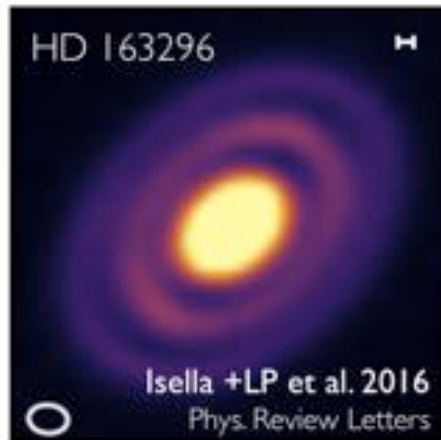
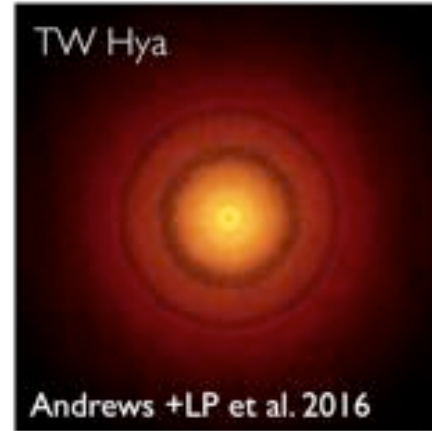
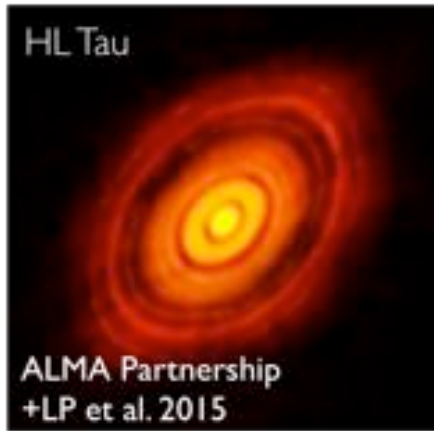


Dong et al. (2018)

A mm-wave gallery of "classical" disks **pre-ALMA**



A mm-wave gallery of "classical" disks **post-ALMA**



DSHARP:

Disks Substructures at High Angular Resolution Project

coPIs: Andrews (Harvard/SAO), Pérez (U. Chile), Isella (Rice), Dullemond (U. Heidelberg)

Graduate Students: J. Huang (Harvard/SAO), N. Troncoso (U. Chile), E. Weaver (Rice)

Collaborators: Guzman (ALMA), Carpenter (ALMA), Wilner (Harvard/SAO), Zhu (UNLV), Birnstiel (LMU Munich), Hughes (Wesleyan), Oberg (Harvard/CfA), Bai (IASTU/THCA), Ricci (CSUN), Benisty (UMI/U. Chile)

Data:

- 1.3 mm (Band 6) observations of 20 classical disks
- Angular resolution ~ 5 AU
- Sensitivity ~ 12-20 microJy/beam

Goals:

Understand prevalence, forms, scales, spacings, symmetry, amplitudes, etc. of substructures in a representative sample of classical disks

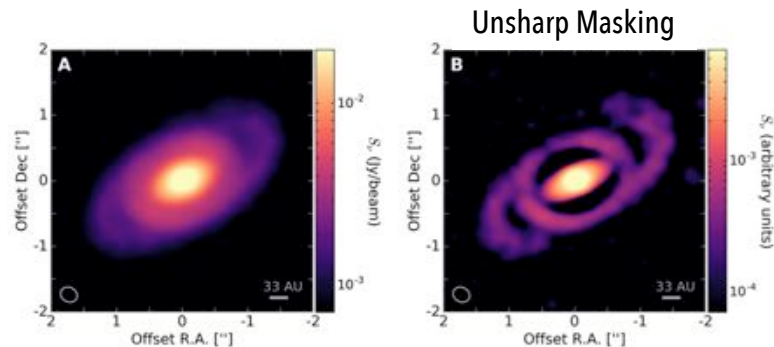
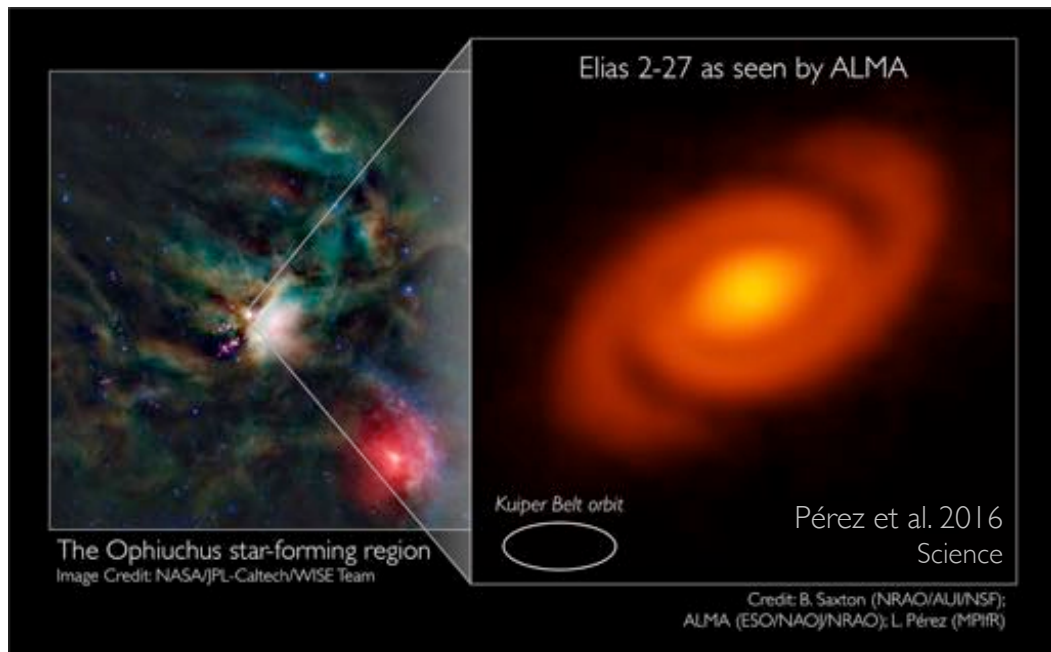
Analysis ongoing:

Look for 8+ papers (with data product release) in the fall

DSHARP

ALMA Observations of Elias 2-27: evidence of disk instability in a young disk

Providing a unique benchmark for planet formation studies



A snowball effect of theory papers from a single observation!
e.g. Meru et al. 2017;
Tomida et al. 2017;
Bae & Zhu 2017;
Juhász & Rosotti 2017;
Forgan et al. 2018

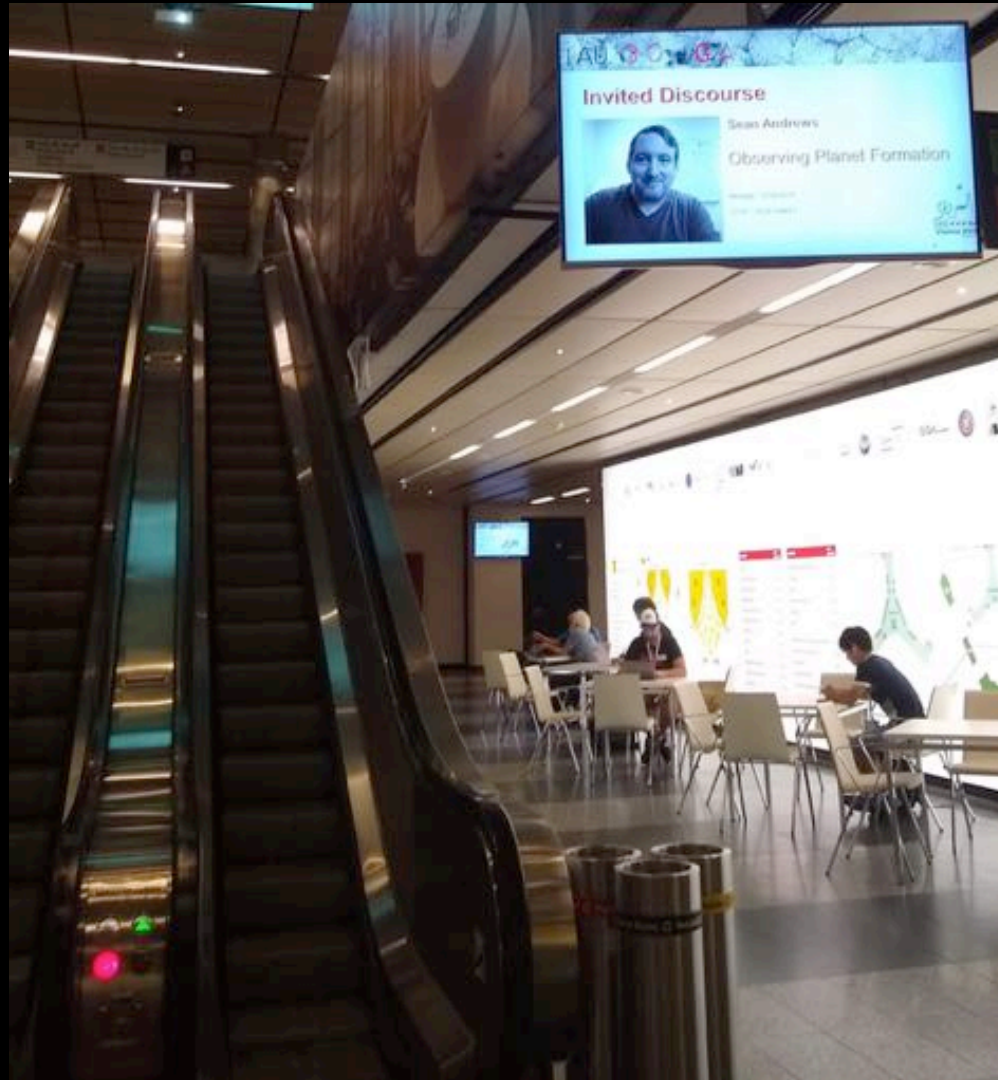
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INVITED DISCOURSE:

Sean Andrews

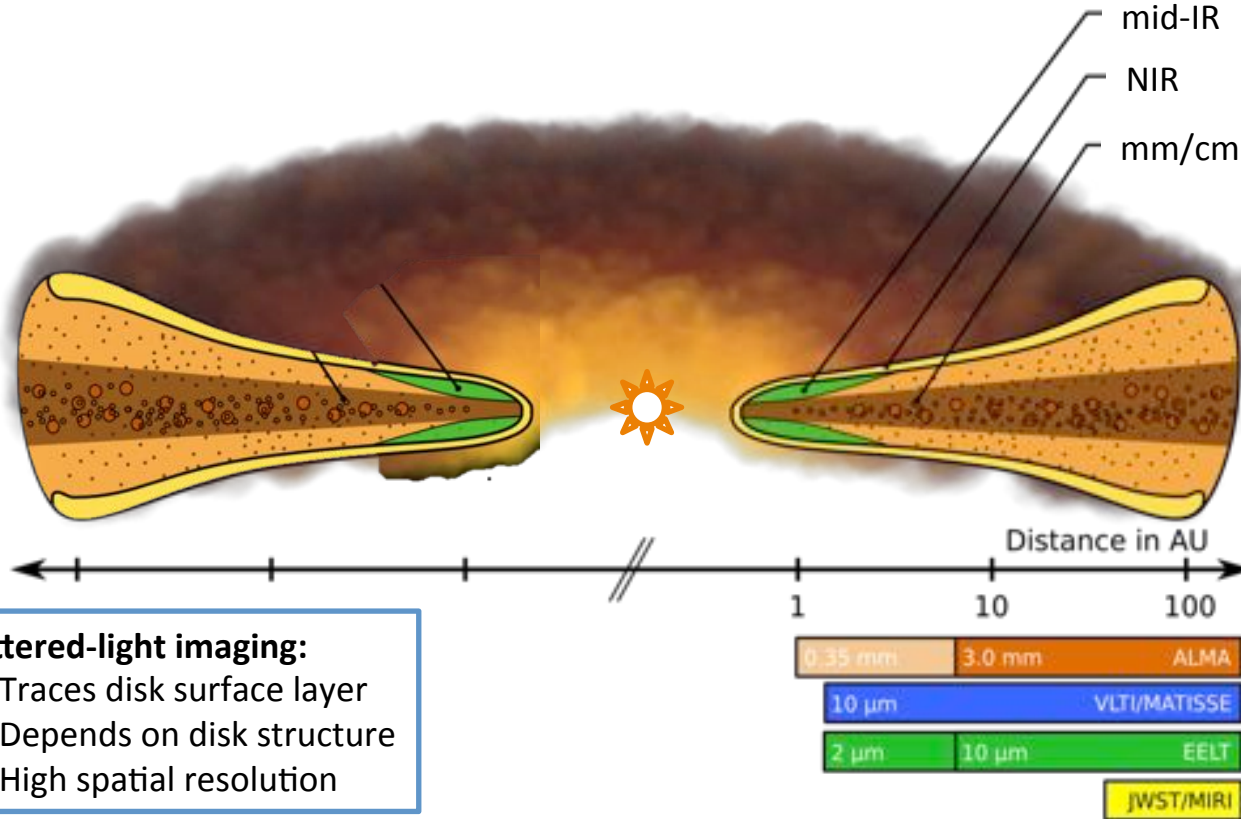
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Observing substructures at multiple wavelengths

What can we learn from studying the same object at multiple wavelengths?



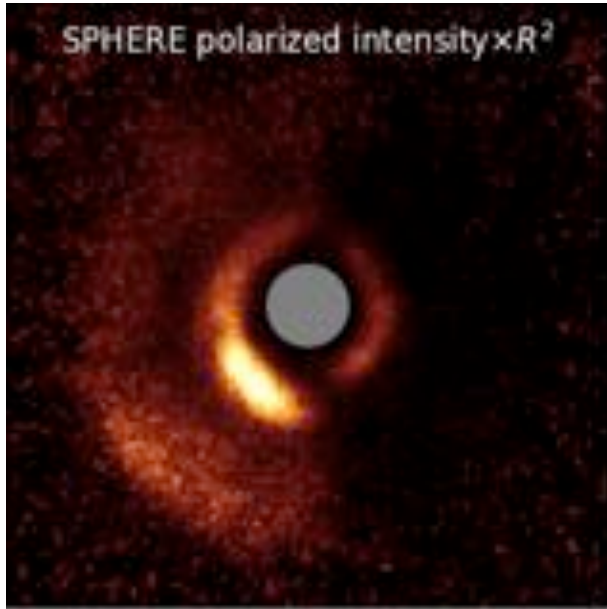
Scattered-light imaging:

- Traces disk surface layer
- Depends on disk structure
- High spatial resolution

*adapted from
Testi et al. (2014)*

Substructures at multiple wavelengths

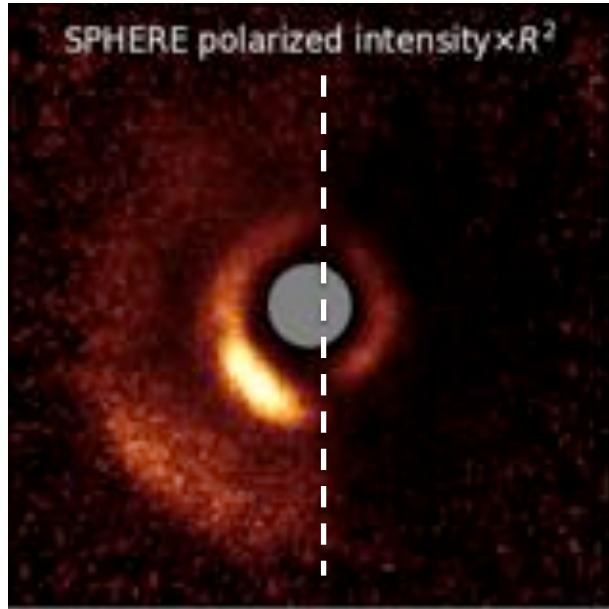
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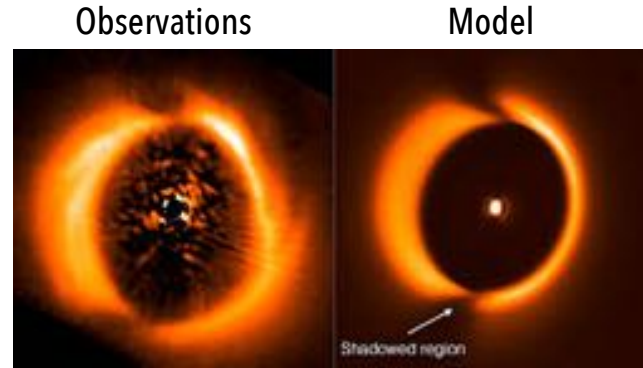
SPHERE J-band (40mas)
Benisty et al. (submitted)

Shadows in scattered light: a different probe of disk substructure?

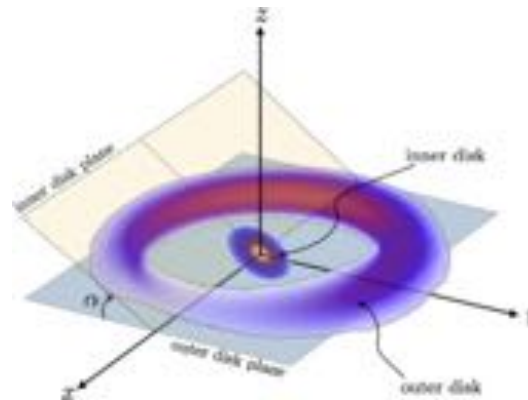
Scattered light observations are very sensitive to the illumination pattern



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HD 142527
Marino et al. 2015



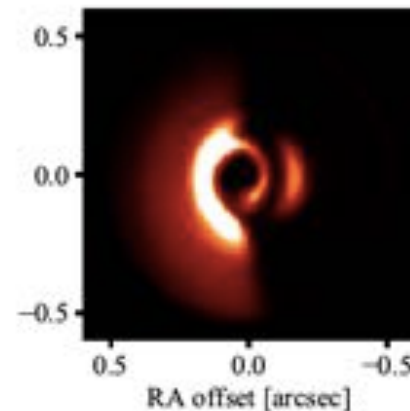
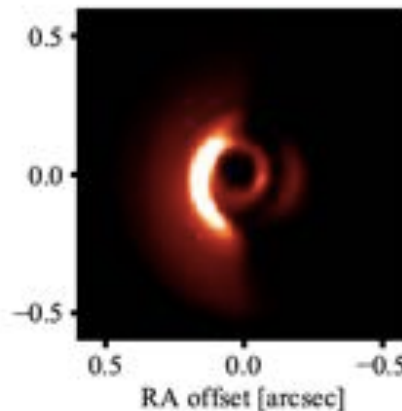
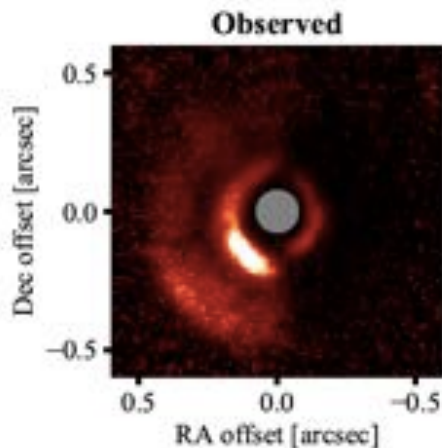
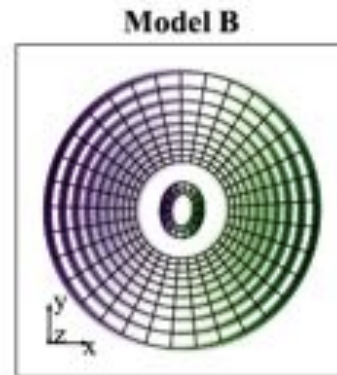
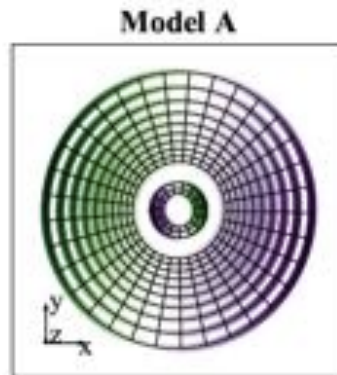
Highly misaligned
inner disk cast narrow
shadows on the outer
disk

Not narrow shadows: an East-West broad shadow

A less pronounced misalignment can produce broad shadows in scattered light

- SPHERE observations constrain a moderate misalignment ($< 30^\circ$)
- Scattered light cannot probe inner disk
- Two families of solutions possible

Benisty et al. (submitted)



What do the new DSHARP observations tell us?

New information about kinematics, gas emission, and dust continuum emission

Solids

Gas

Kinematics

ALMA (50mas)
Pérez et al. in prep

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Kinematics:
assuming no
misalignment,
significant
residuals remain

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Solids:
inner disk is
misaligned
w.r.t. the
outer disk by
~ 6° (!!)

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Spatially resolved radio observations provide new insights into processes that transform the disk reservoir into a planetary system

Structure?

Substructure is needed to prevent solids from drifting and to form planets

A multitude of structures: new detections pave the way to understand star & planet formation

Radio Power?

We are getting to understand basic disk evolution from high resolution disk observations, particularly at mm wavelengths

We can now test if features predicted in disk evolution are present in most disks