

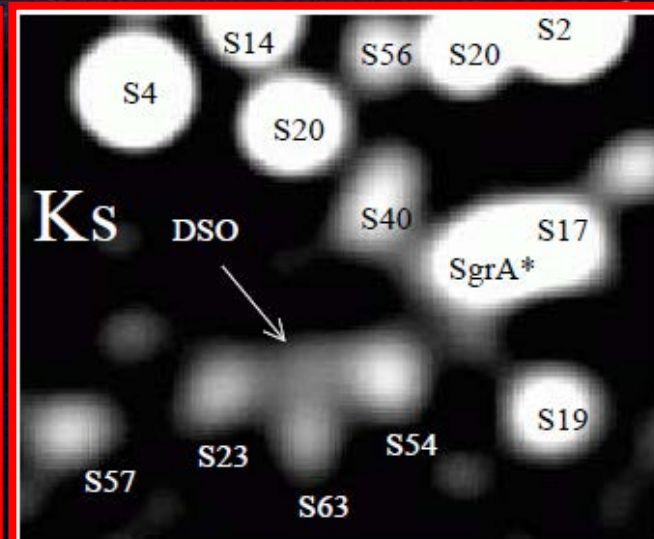
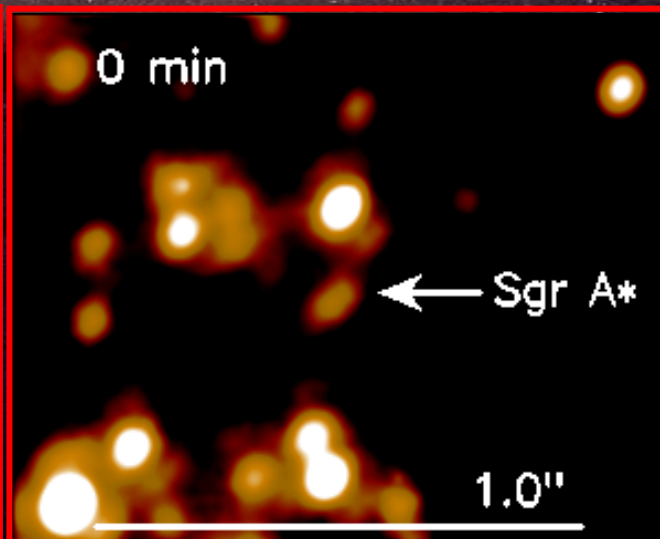
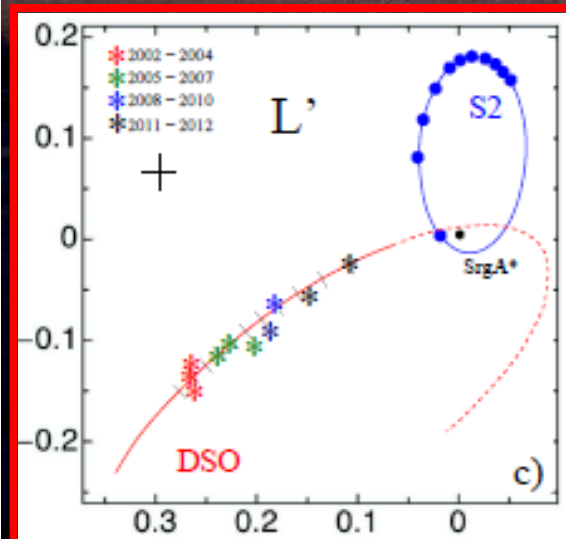
# The Infrared K-band Identification of the DSO/G2 Source from VLT and Keck Data

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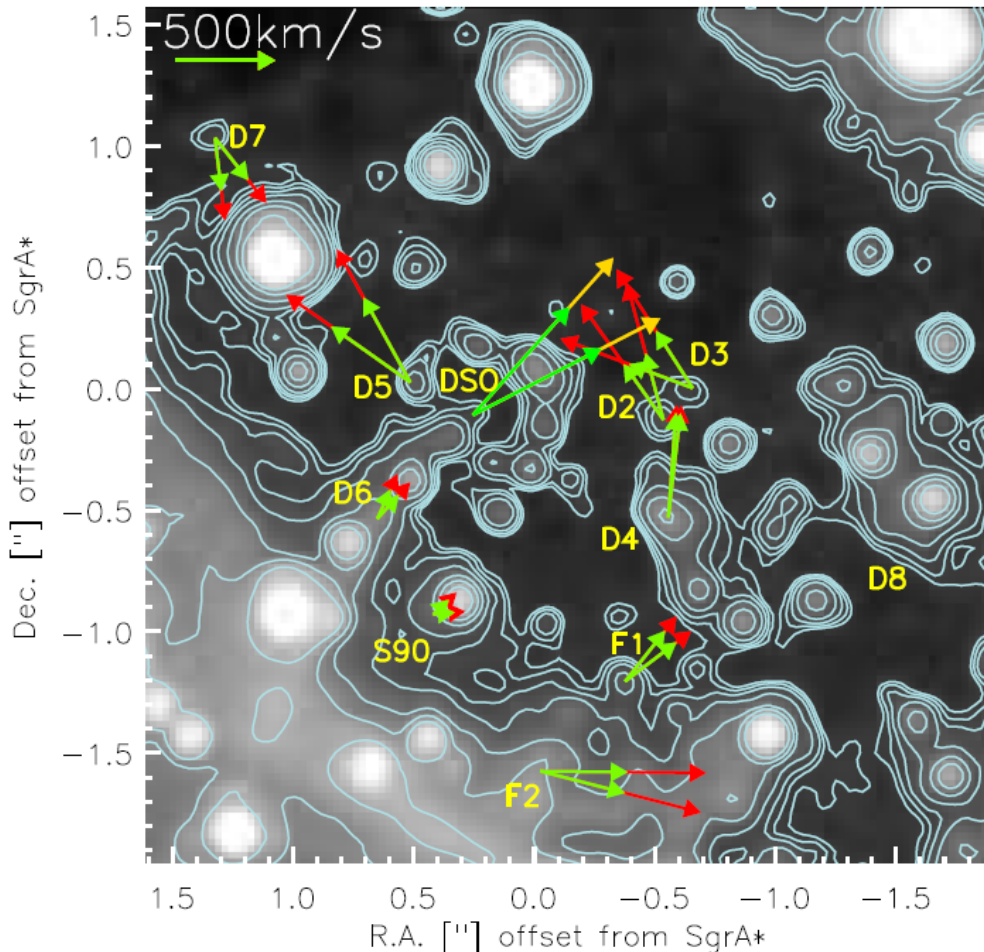
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# Proper Motions of Dusty Sources within 2" of SgrA\*



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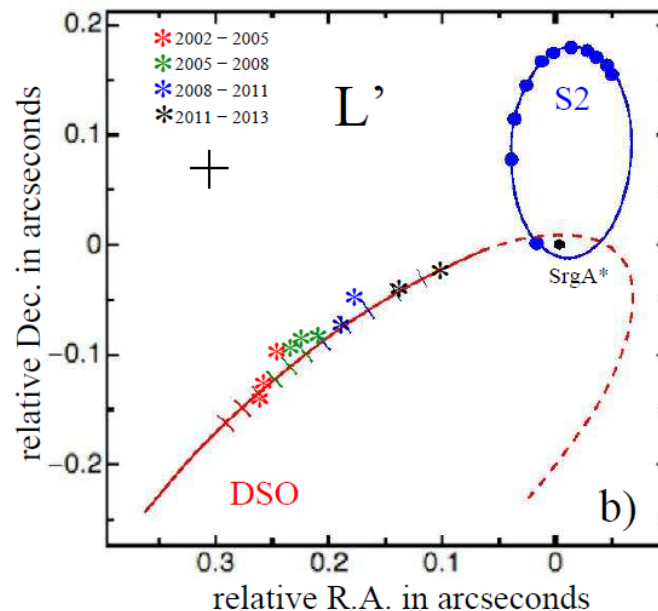
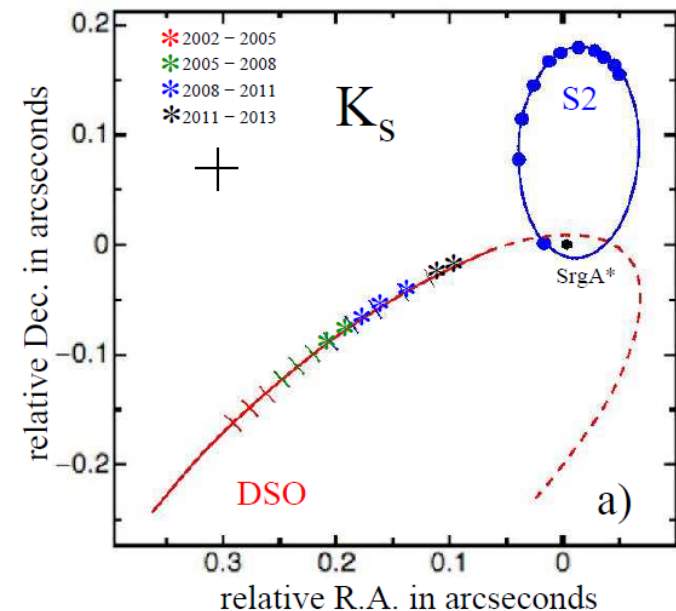
Cologne, Bonn, Prague,  
Toulouse & ESO



# A Dusty S-cluster Object is approaching SgrA\*

A dusty object that can be identified with a star or a pure dust cloud  
Is approaching the Black Hole SgrA\* at the  
Center of the Milky Way (Gillessen et al. 2012, 2013, Eckart et al. 2013ab).  
Periapse will probably be reached in **September 2013 to May 2014**.

**An enhanced accretion activity is expected. Brighter flares  
may also help to gain information of the particel  
acceleration processes.**



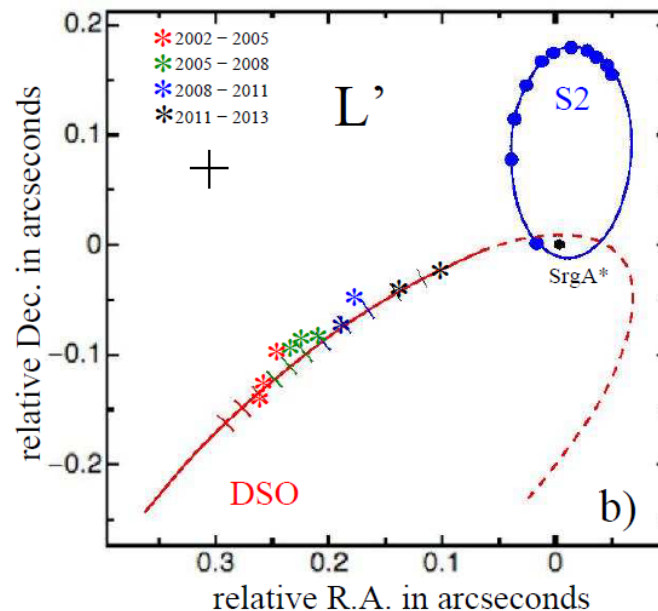
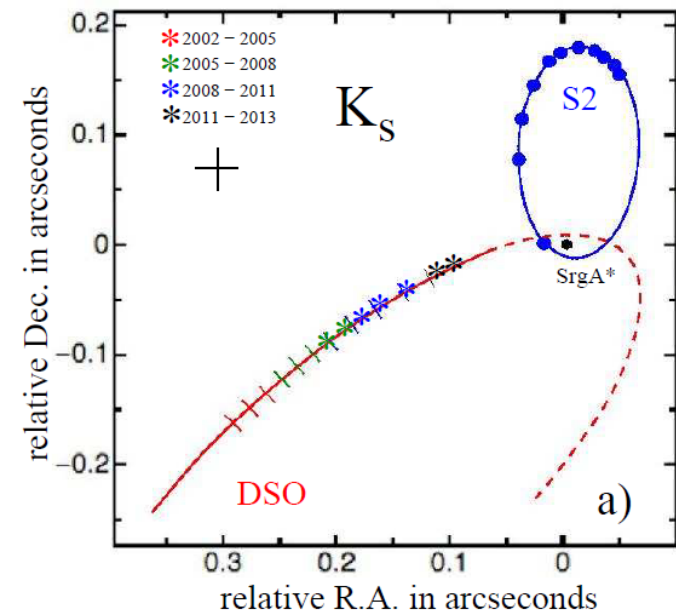
Gillessen+, Burkert+,  
Murray-Clay & Loeb,  
Eckart+  
and others

Eckart et al. 2013a

# A Dusty S-cluster Object is approaching SgrA\*

The K-band detection of the DSO/G2 source is important to explain expected accretion phenomena and related flux density variations of SgrA\*.

It may also give a hint at what the nature of the DSO may be and how it originated.

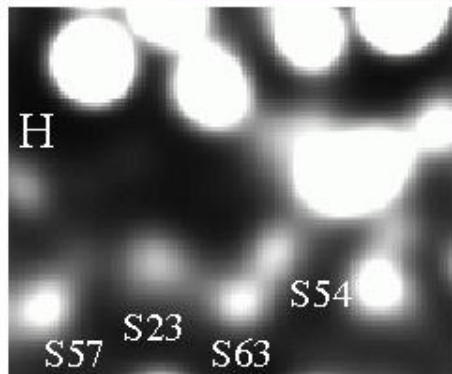
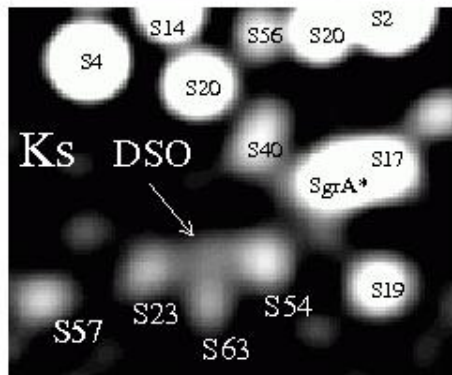
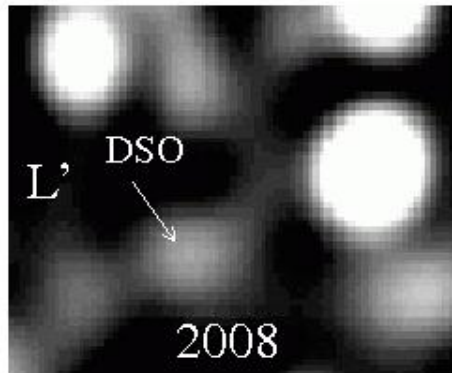


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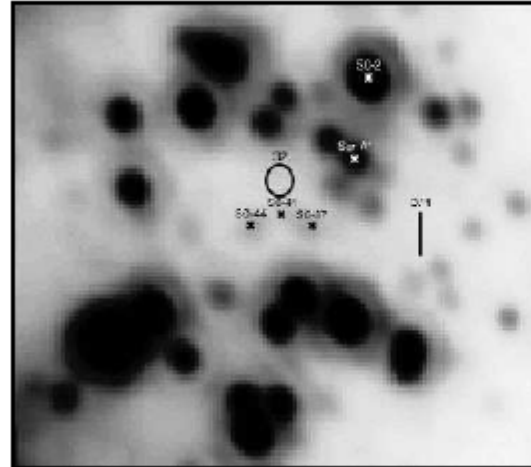
# Keck and VLT data confirm a K-band

## Keck NIRC2; P.I.: Lu, Morris & Soifer

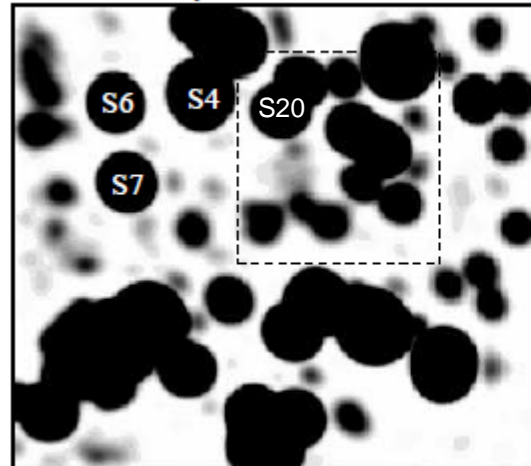


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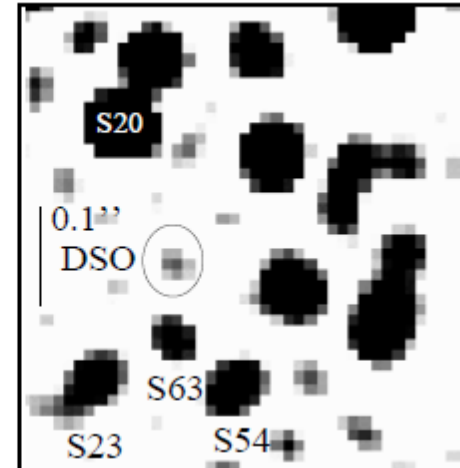
Keck NIRC2 May 2010; Phifer et al. 2013



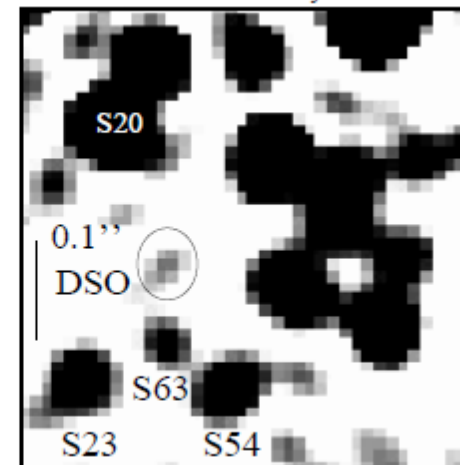
Keck NIRC2 May 2010; restored



Keck NIRC2 August 2010



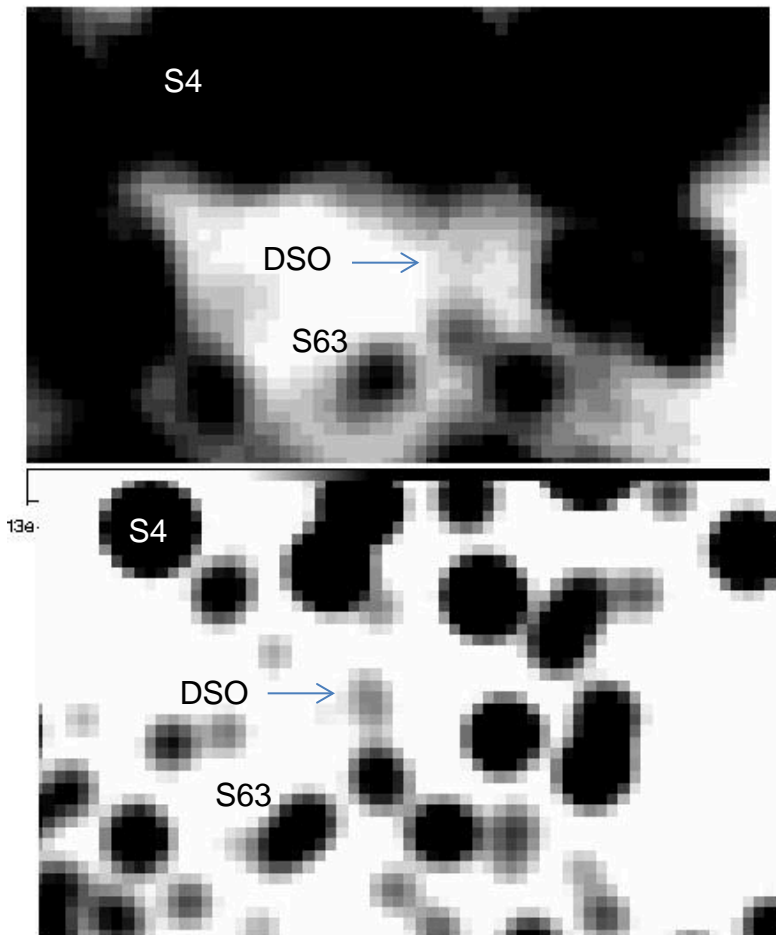
Keck NIRC2 July 2010



ESO NACO Eckart et al. 2013a

No confusion with S63  
since 2008

# DSO identified in public Keck data



Example:

August 2010 data – the K-band counterpart of the DSO can be seen in the raw adaptive optics data

Lucy deconvolved and reconvolved with a Gaussian to an angular resolution that is close to the one observationally achieved.

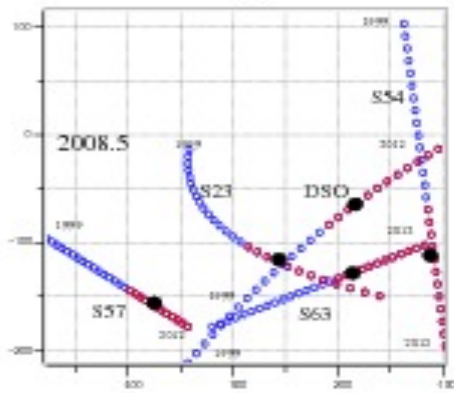
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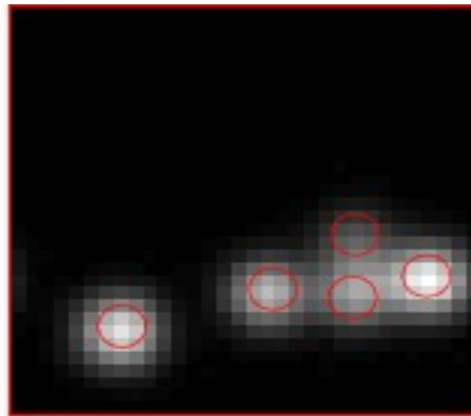
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~0.3"x0.35" field

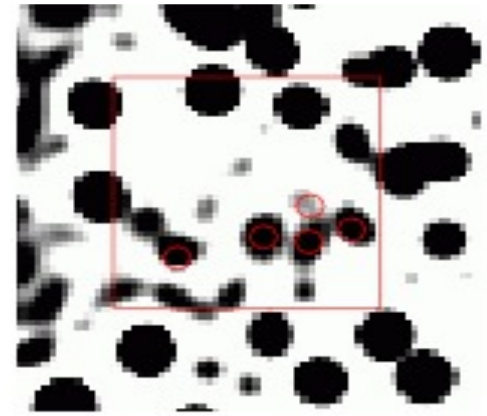
## $\alpha$ - $\delta$ trajectories



modelled emission

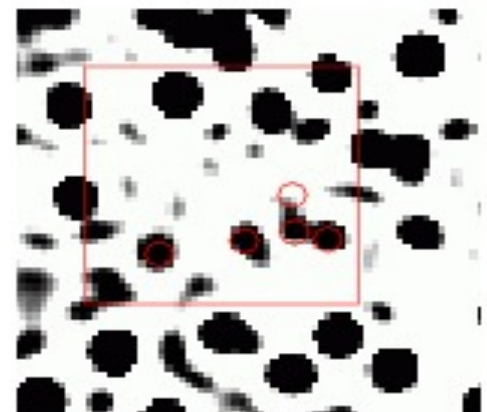
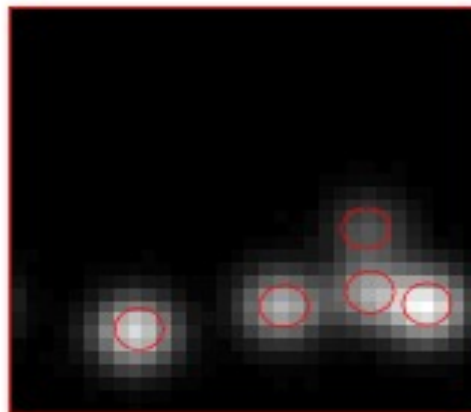
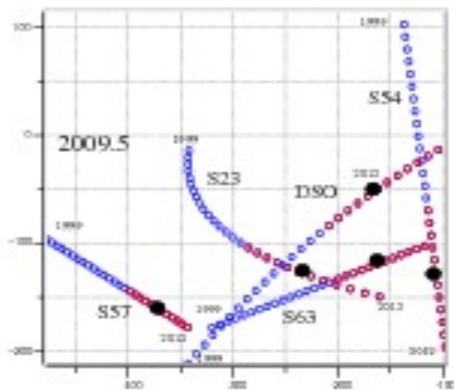


## NIRC2 K'-band Keck



# 2008

# 2009



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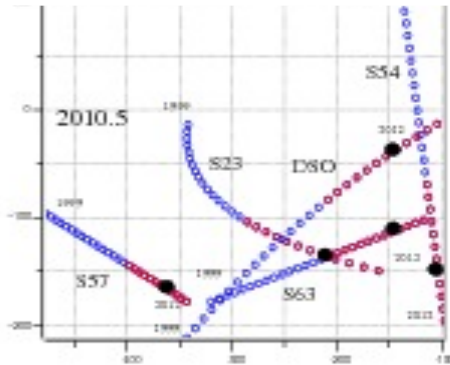
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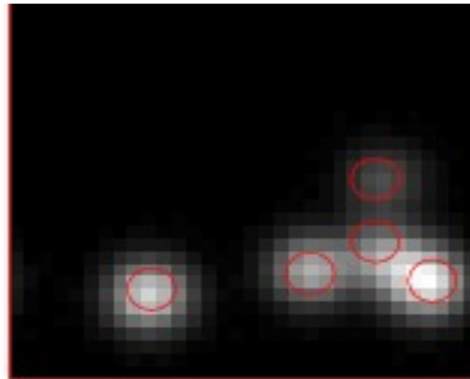
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2010

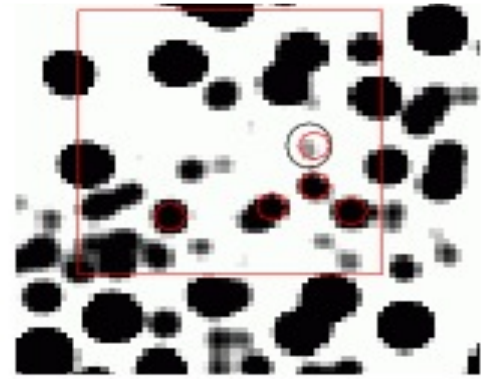
$\alpha$ - $\delta$  trajectories



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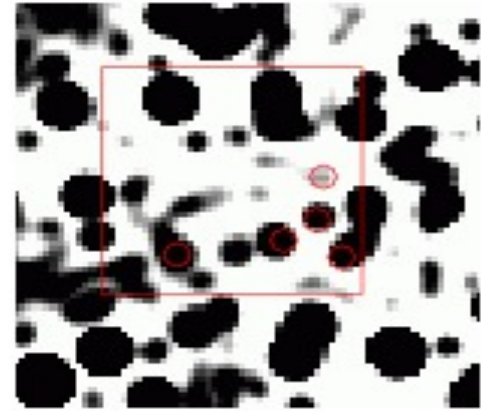
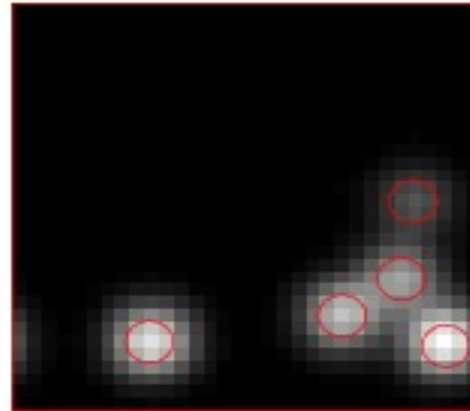
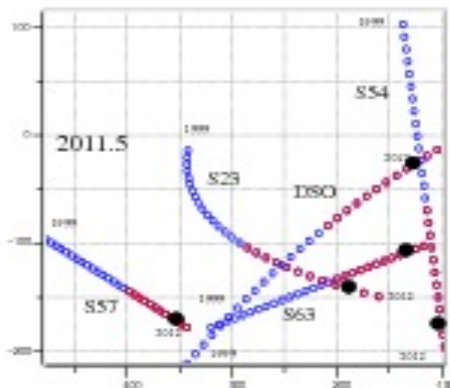


NIRC2 K'-band Keck



at least  
2 epochs  
in 2010

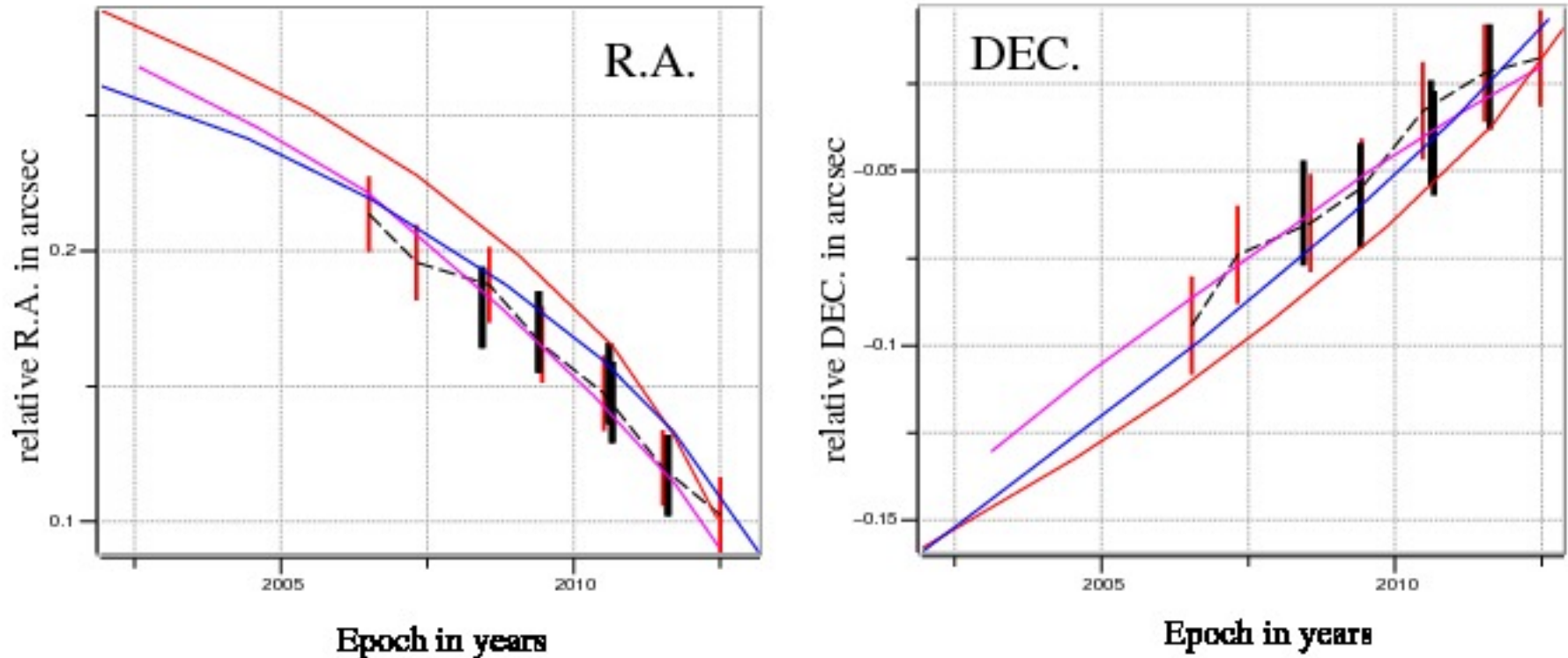
2011



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# Comparison of trajectories published for DSO/G2



A comparison between the L'-band tracks of the DSO used by Gillessen et al. (2013) (magenta line; L'-band), Phifer et al. (2013) (blue (K'-band Br $\gamma$ ) and red (L'-band) lines). We also show the coordinates obtained from the Ks-band identification by Eckart et al. (2013a) using VLT NACO data (data points with red error bars connected by a black dashed line).

Data point with thick red and black error bars represent the K'-band identification based on NACO and Keck NIRC2 data.

## VLT/Keck identification of the DSO/G2 source

What is the K-band flux due to?

*Could it be hot dust?*

In the case of the dusty IRS13N sources we have H-band identifications as well which support photospheric emission from stars rather than emission from hot dust.

## VLT/Keck identification of the DSO/G2 source

In the case of the DSO there are two possibilities:

### 1) *The DSO is an externally heated cloud:*

We would then expect the hot dust emission to be rather extended, similar to the  $\text{Br}\gamma$  emission which is reported to be extended over up to  $0.2''$  (Gillissen et al. 2012).

#### *Not observed*

Temperature gradients that may point at an external heating excess due to hot stars near gas and dust filaments etc. are not seen throughout the mini-spiral and other dusty sources close to the center.

The dust is mostly at 200 K (except IRS3 and IRS7 which are hotter and contain a star).



## VLT/Keck identification of the DSO/G2 source

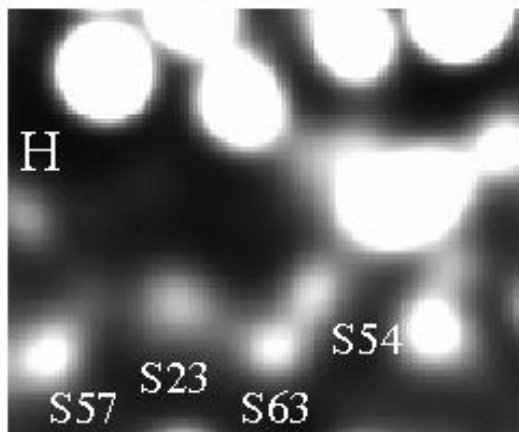
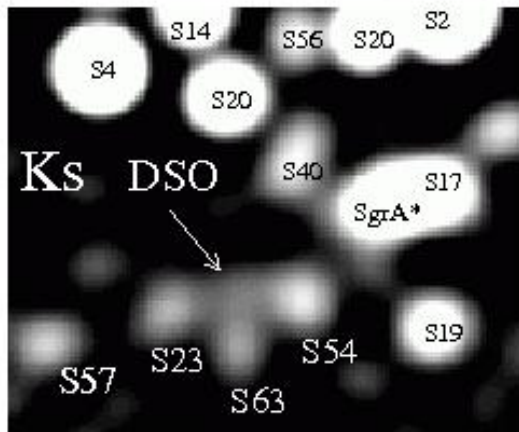
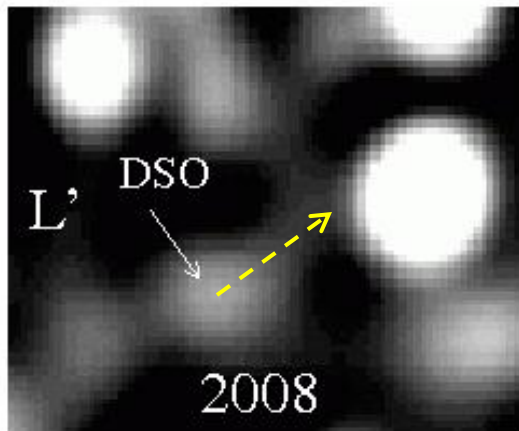
### 2) *The DSO could be an internally heated cloud:*

Here we expect compact K-band emission as observed ... but now we need an internal heating source.

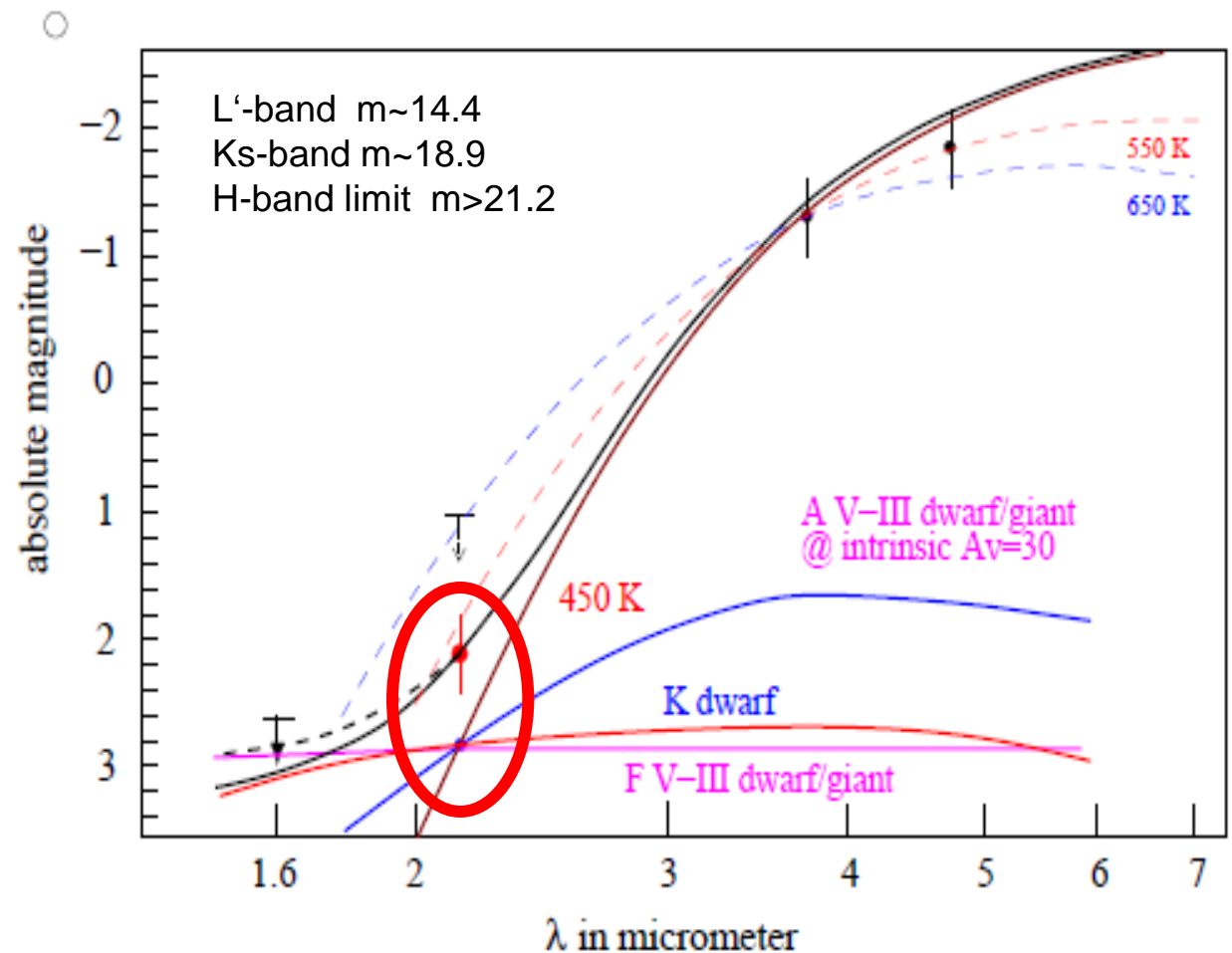
*This points at the presence of an embedded star ...*

... and leads us in fact to the interpretation that the K-band flux is *photospheric emission* from an embedded star (with possible contributions from hot dust).

# K-band identification of the DSO



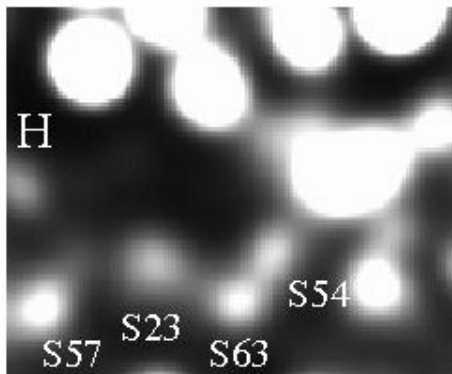
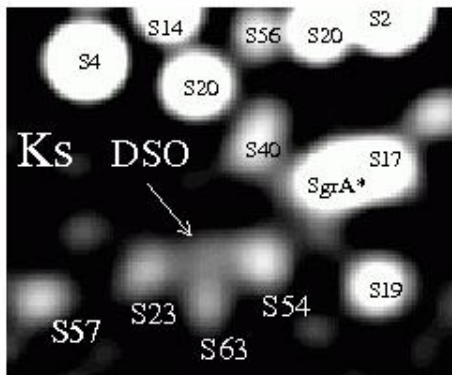
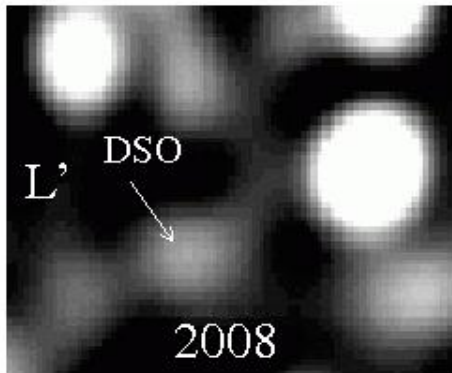
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Eckart et al. 2013a

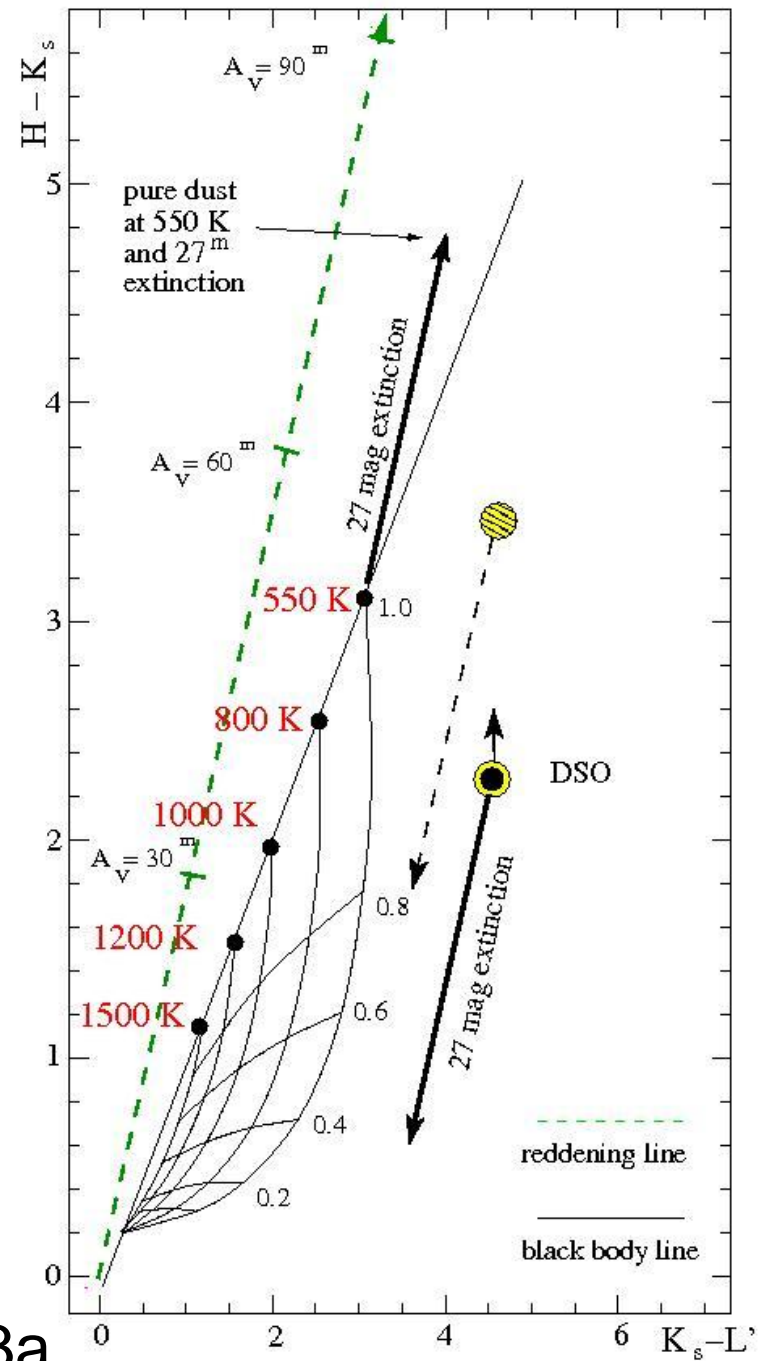
Black body luminosities and the detection of photospheric emission imply possible stellar luminosities of up to 30  $L_{\text{sol}}$  ;  
i.e. masses of 10-20  $M_{\text{sol}}$  are possible

# NIR Colors of the DSO



— 0.1'' = 4 mpc

L'-band  $m \sim 14.4$   
Ks-band  $m \sim 18.9$   
H-band limit  $m > 21.2$



Eckart et al. 2013a

# DSO Accretion in 2013/14 ?

The presence of a star may have a influence on the accretion activity.  
(20-30  $M_{\text{sol}}$  gives  $L1$  distance  $\sim 1$  AU)

Simulations by Schartmann + 2012;  
Burkert + 2012 and others.

The NIR/MIR continuum emission  
is due to a compact object  
( $< 80 \text{ mas}$ ), while the  $\text{Br}\gamma$  line flux is  
extended over  $0.2''$  (Gillessen + 2012)

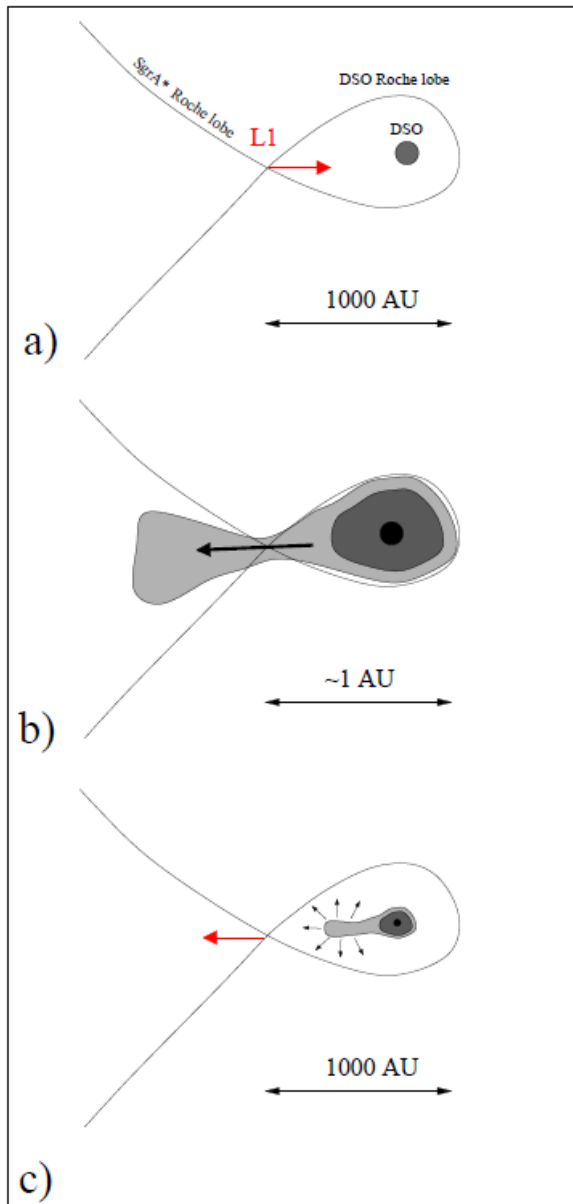


Fig. 16. Sketch of the relative position and motion of the Lagrange point L1 and the DSO.

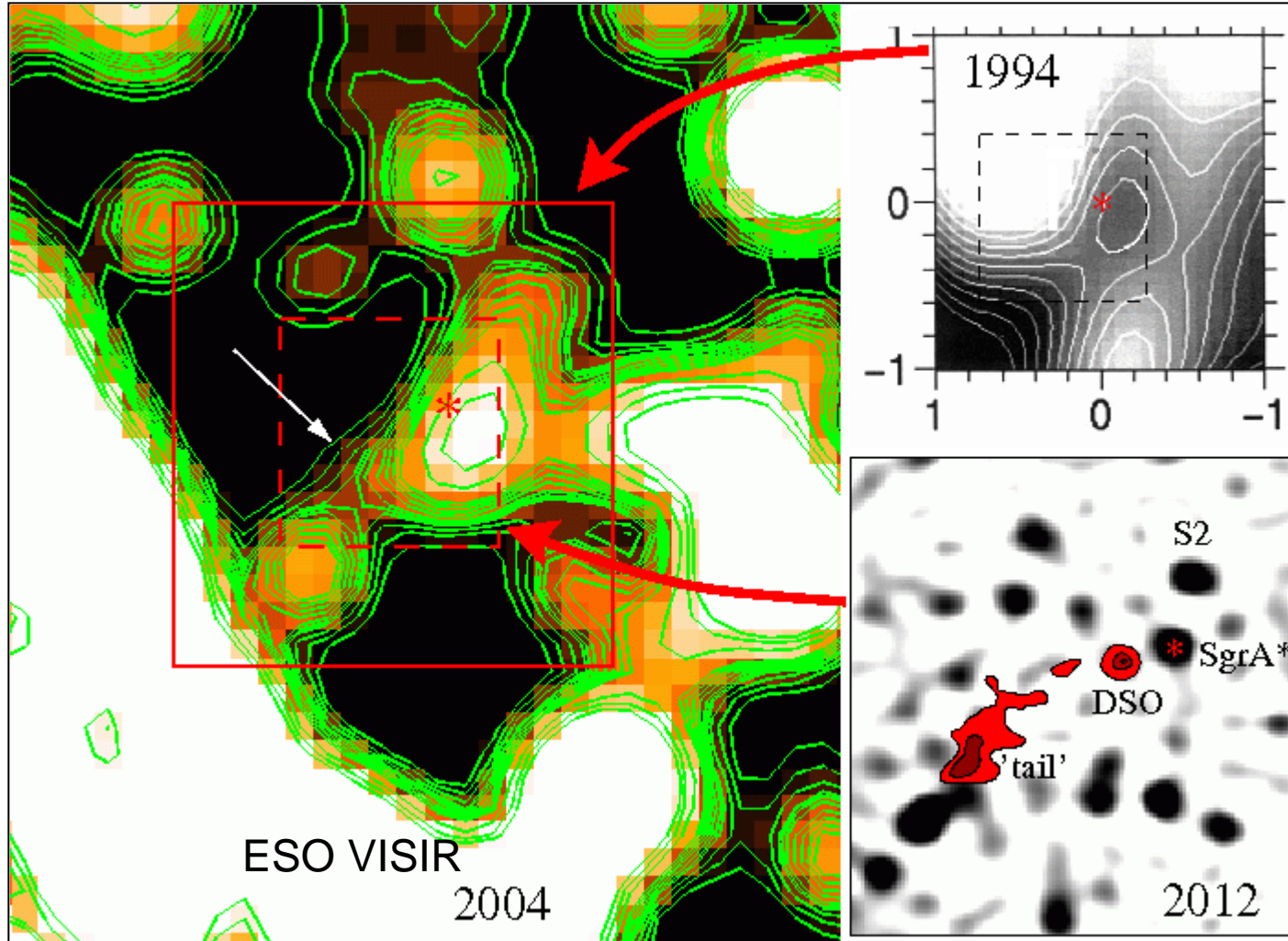
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# Dust source at the GC and variability

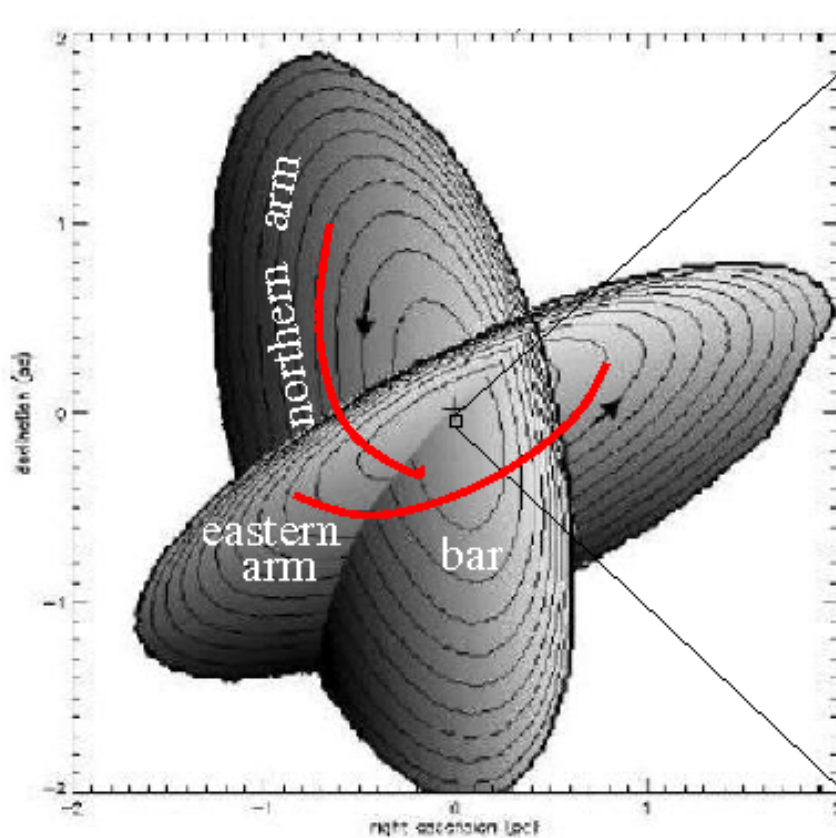
But .... !

# Gas and dust in the direction of Sagittarius A\*

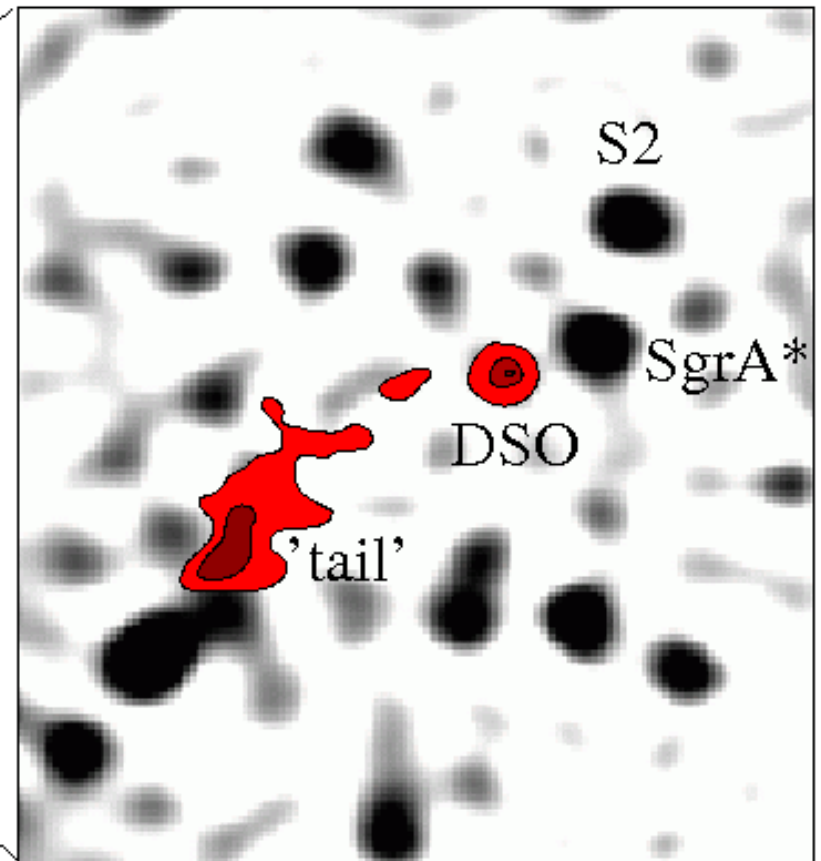


Eckart et al. 2013b  
Gillessen et al. 2013

# The 'tail' may be part of the disk interaction zone

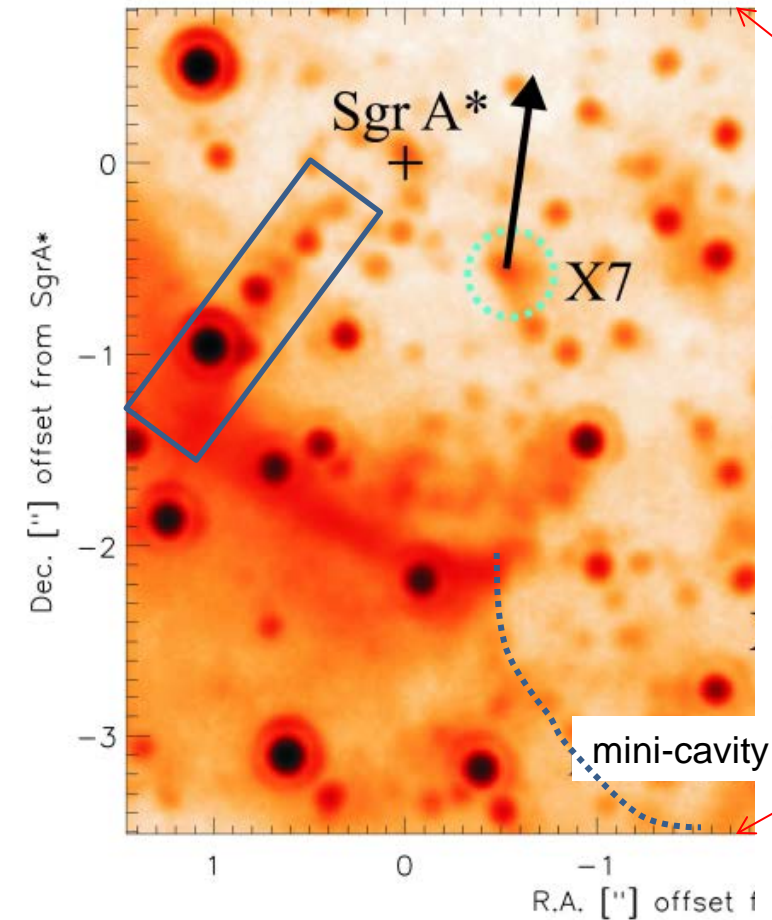


Vollmer & Duschl 2000



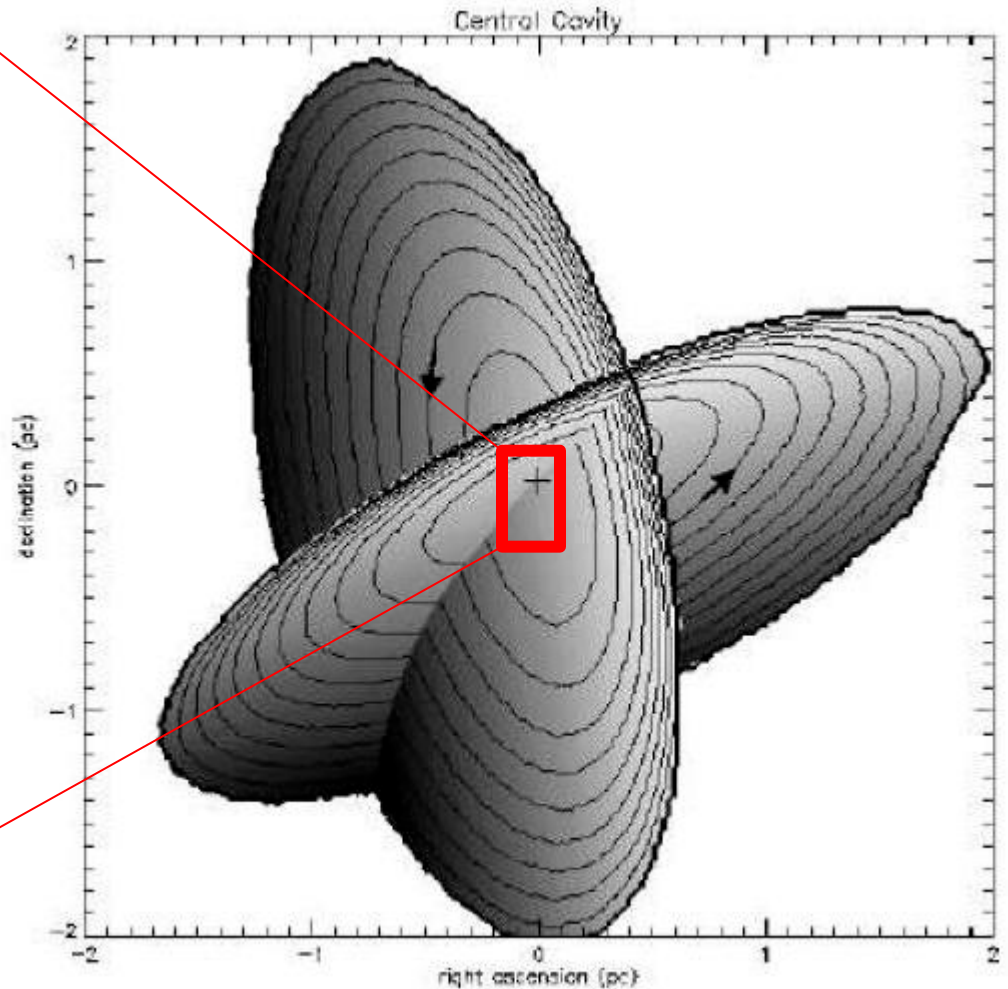
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L-band image of the GC

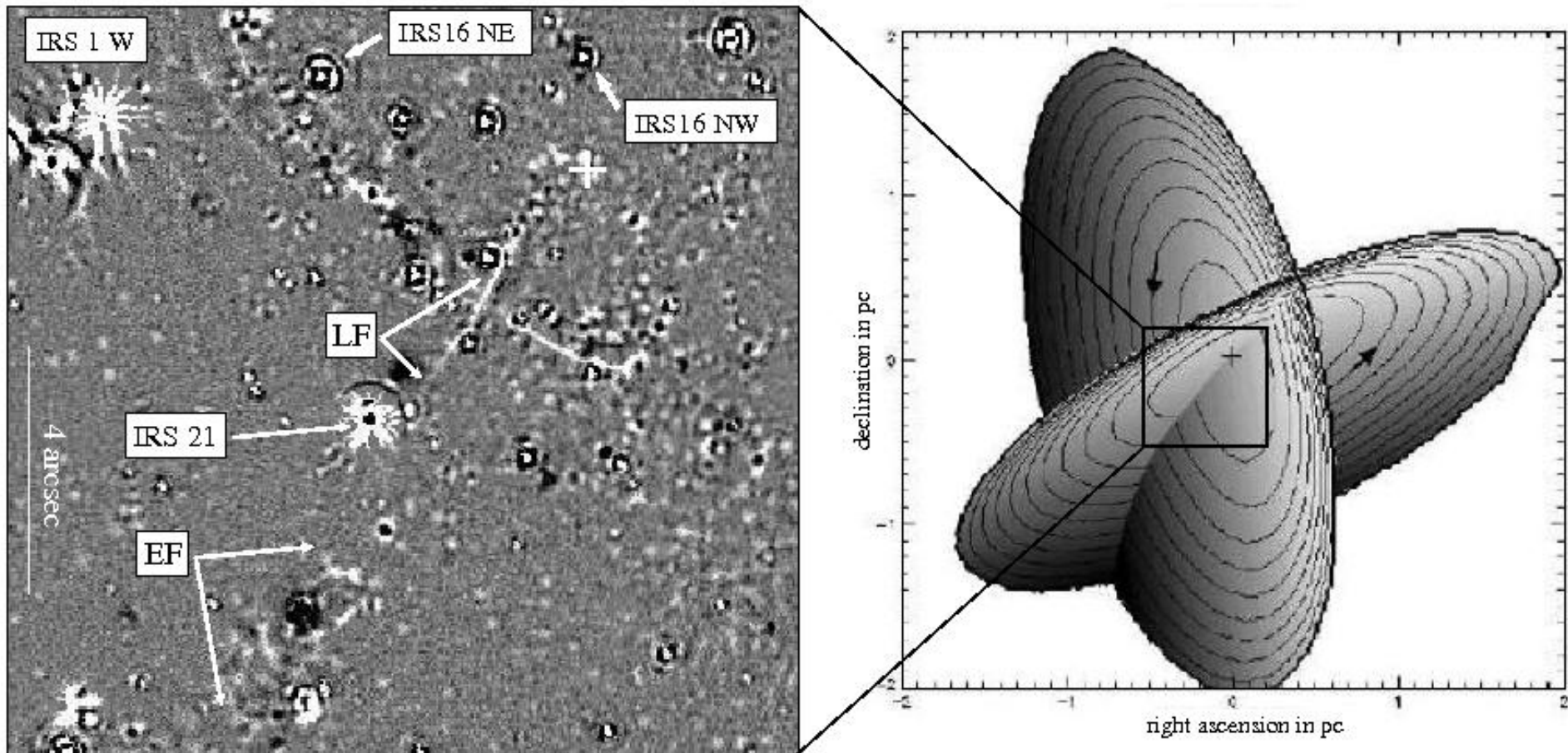
Muzic, Eckart, Schödel et al. 2007, 2010



Vollmer & Duschl 2000



# The 'tail' and 'linear feature' may be part of the disk interaction zone

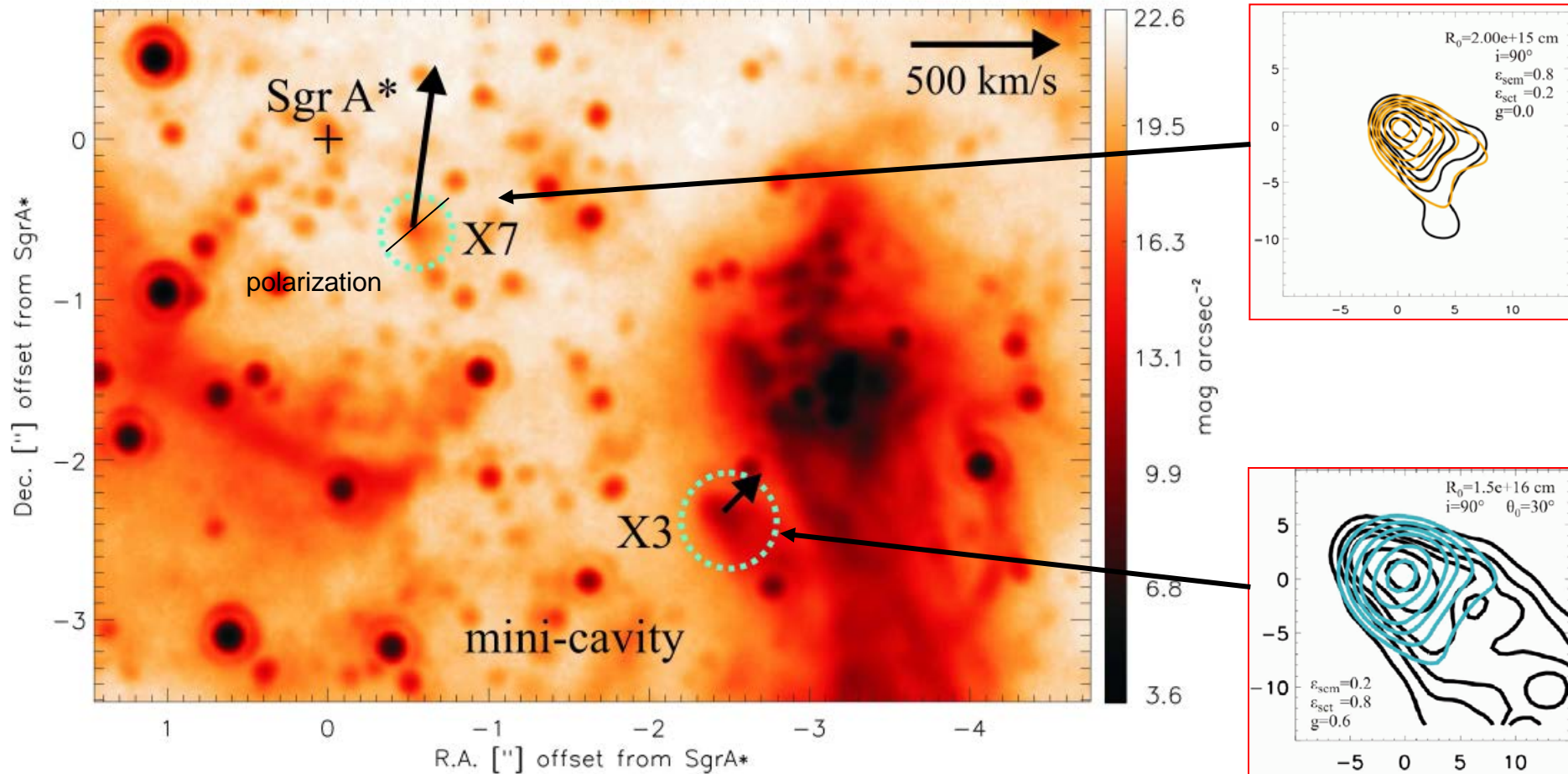


High-pass filtered L-band image  
Eckart et al. 2006

Vollmer & Duschl 2000

with the linear feature LF crossing the northern arm  
and the extended feature EF associated with the eastern arm

# Cometary Sources: Shaped by a wind from SgrA\*?



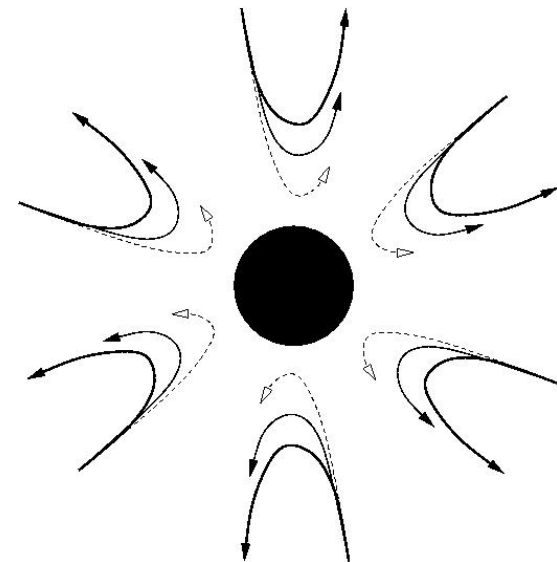
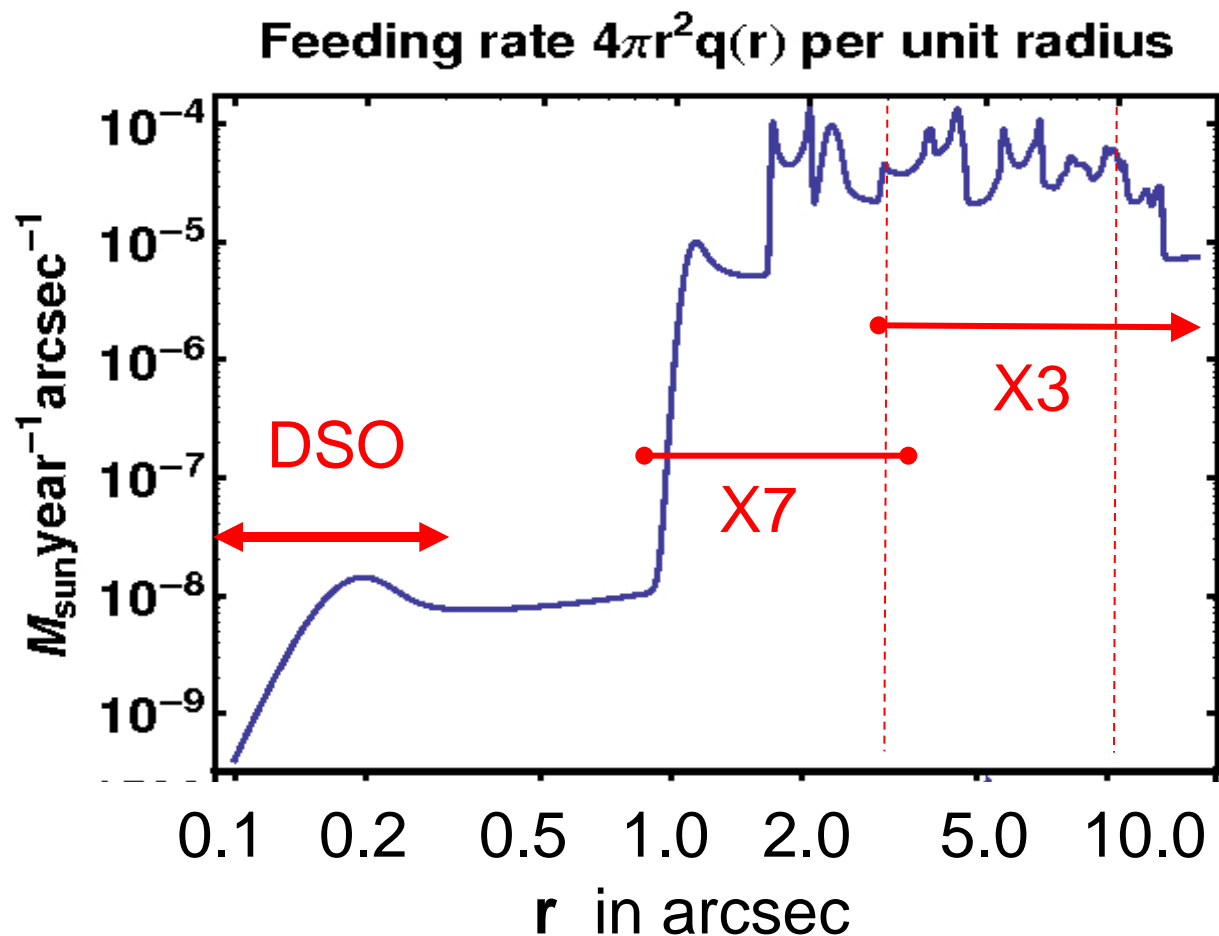
X7 polarized with 30% at PA  $-34 \pm 10$   
 Mie  $\rightarrow$  bow-shock symmetry along PA  $56 \pm 10$   
 includes direction towards SgrA\*

**see also P33 Nadeen Sabha**

**Besides the mini-cavity – X3 and X7 are the strongest indication for a fast wind from SgrA\*!**

Muzic, Eckart, Schödel et al. 2007, 2010

# Accretion onto SgrA\*



radius dependent  
accretion

Mass input into the feeding region around the BH. Using square averaged wind velocities feeding is averaged over stellar orbits. Each wiggle represents a turning point of a single orbit. Only a few stars may feed matter within  $0.8''$ .

# How can the DSO and other dusty source potentially also young dust enshrouded stars form in the central stellar cluster environment?

## **P26.** *Star Formation in the Vicinity of Sgr A\**

Behrang Jalali

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# Modeling Approach

100 Msun molecular clump,  
0.2 pc radius,

Test with 10 & 50 Kelvin,  
isothermal gas

Timescales:

clump free fall time  $\sim 10^5$  yr

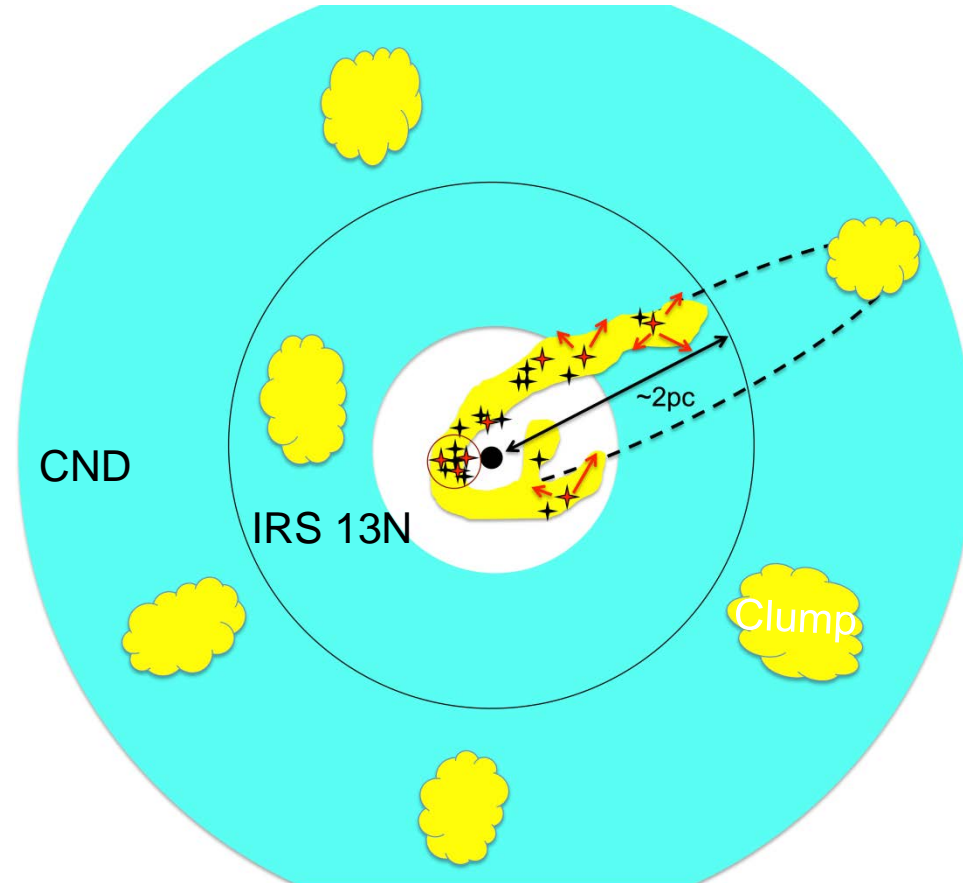
CND orbital period  $\sim 10^5$  yr

Semi-major axis=1.8 pc  $\rightarrow$   
orbital period  $\sim 10^5$  yr,

two Orbits:

peri-center $\sim 0.1$  pc  $\rightarrow$  ecc.= 0.95

peri-center $\sim 0.9$  pc  $\rightarrow$  ecc.= 0.5



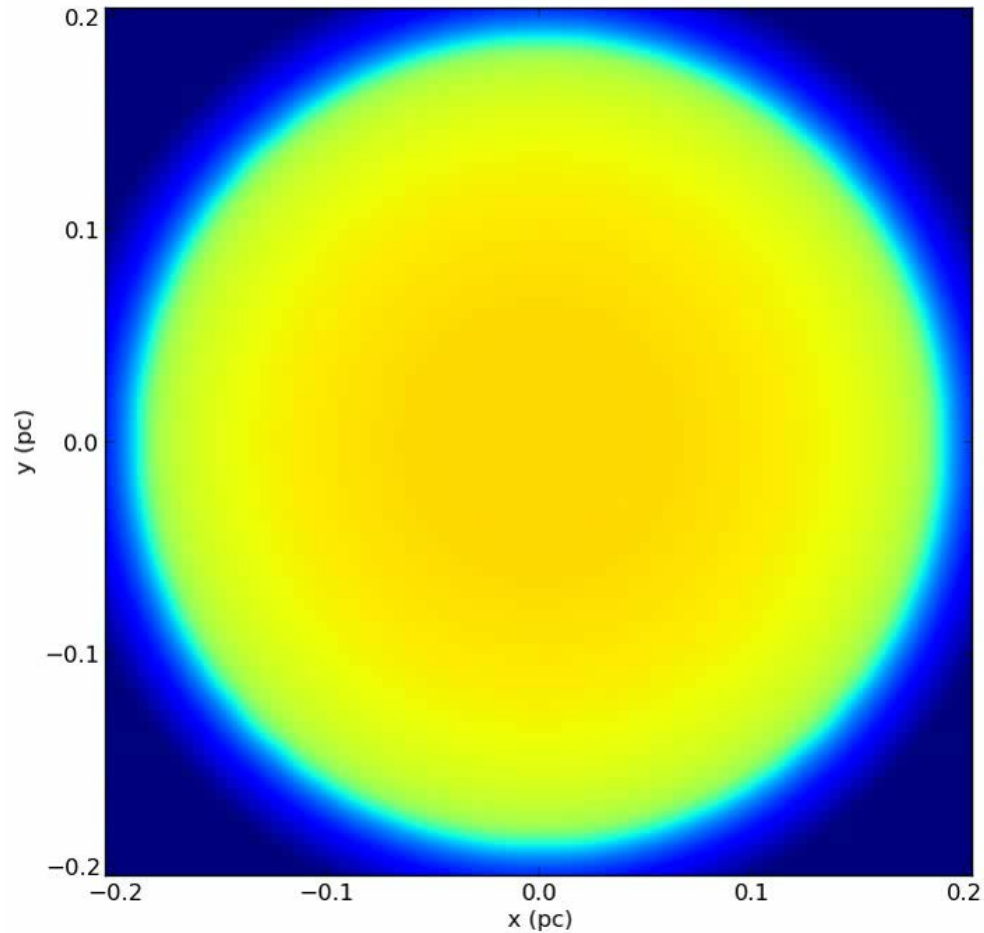
See also P6 Lydia Moser

Behrang Jalali, I. Pelupessy, A. Eckart, S. Portegies  
Zwart, N. Sabha, A. Borkar, J. Moulaka, 2013 in prep.

# Please watch

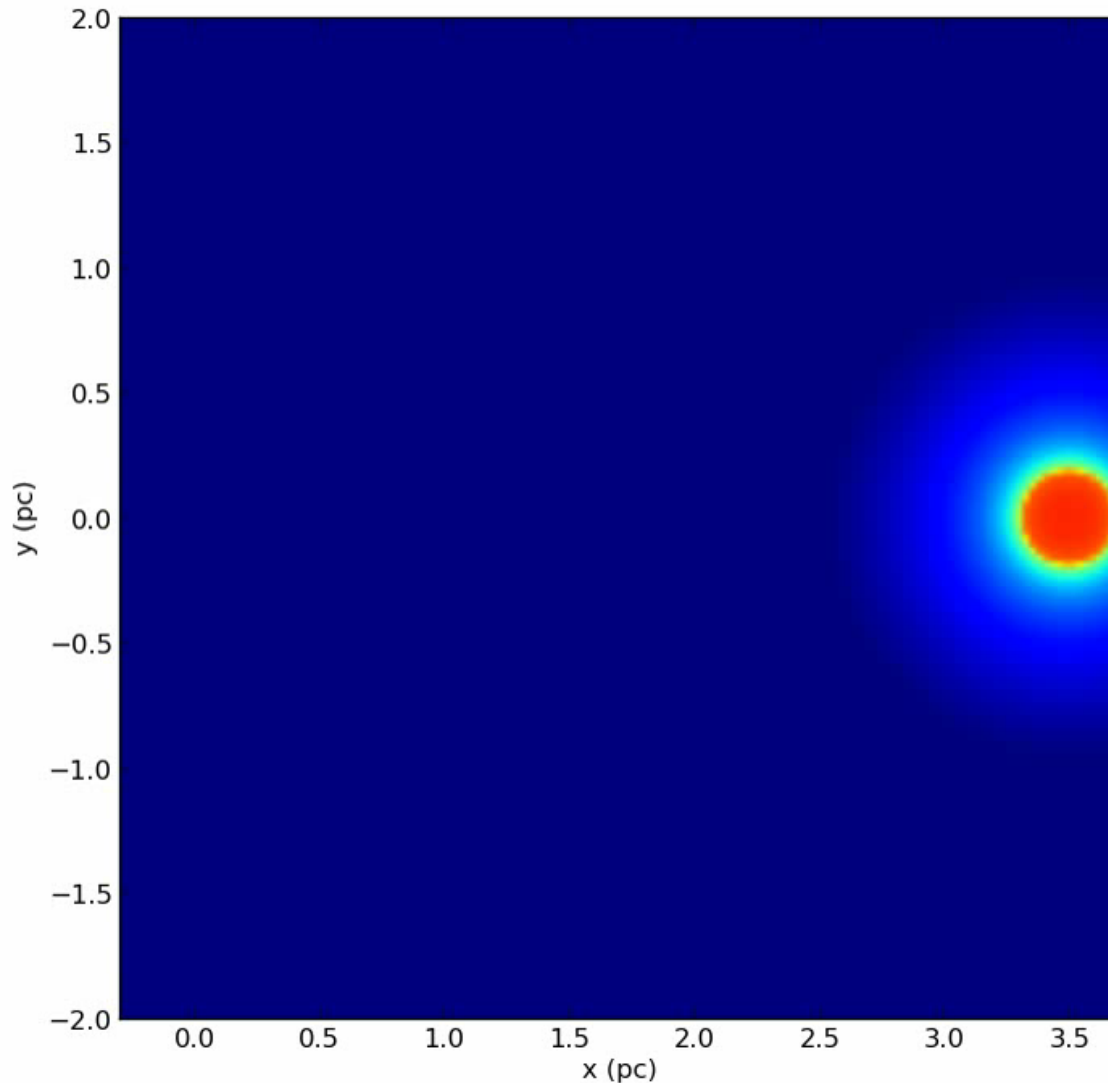
- 1) Notice the two cores forming at about 1 free fall time, proto-stars start forming there, and they keep accreting gas afterward in a filamentary structure.
- 2) Color code for stars with different mass:  
**red**: 1- 5 Msun (IRS 13N possible sources in orbiting models)  
**yellow**: 0.5 - 1 Msun,  
**green**: 0.1 – 0.5 Msun, low-mass stars (but also there are Brown Dwarfs & extremely massive giant planets)
- 3) AMUSU SPH simulations – half a million particles at 10K and 50K. Threshold density for sinks around  $10^{11}$  amu/cm<sup>-3</sup>, threshold mass for a star at 20 MJup.

# Isolated 10 Kelvin clump, column density movie



blue to red, column densities cover  $10^{17}$ - $10^{24}$  range in (atomic mass unit/cm<sup>2</sup>)

# orbiting 50 Kelvin clump with $e=0.94$



# Results

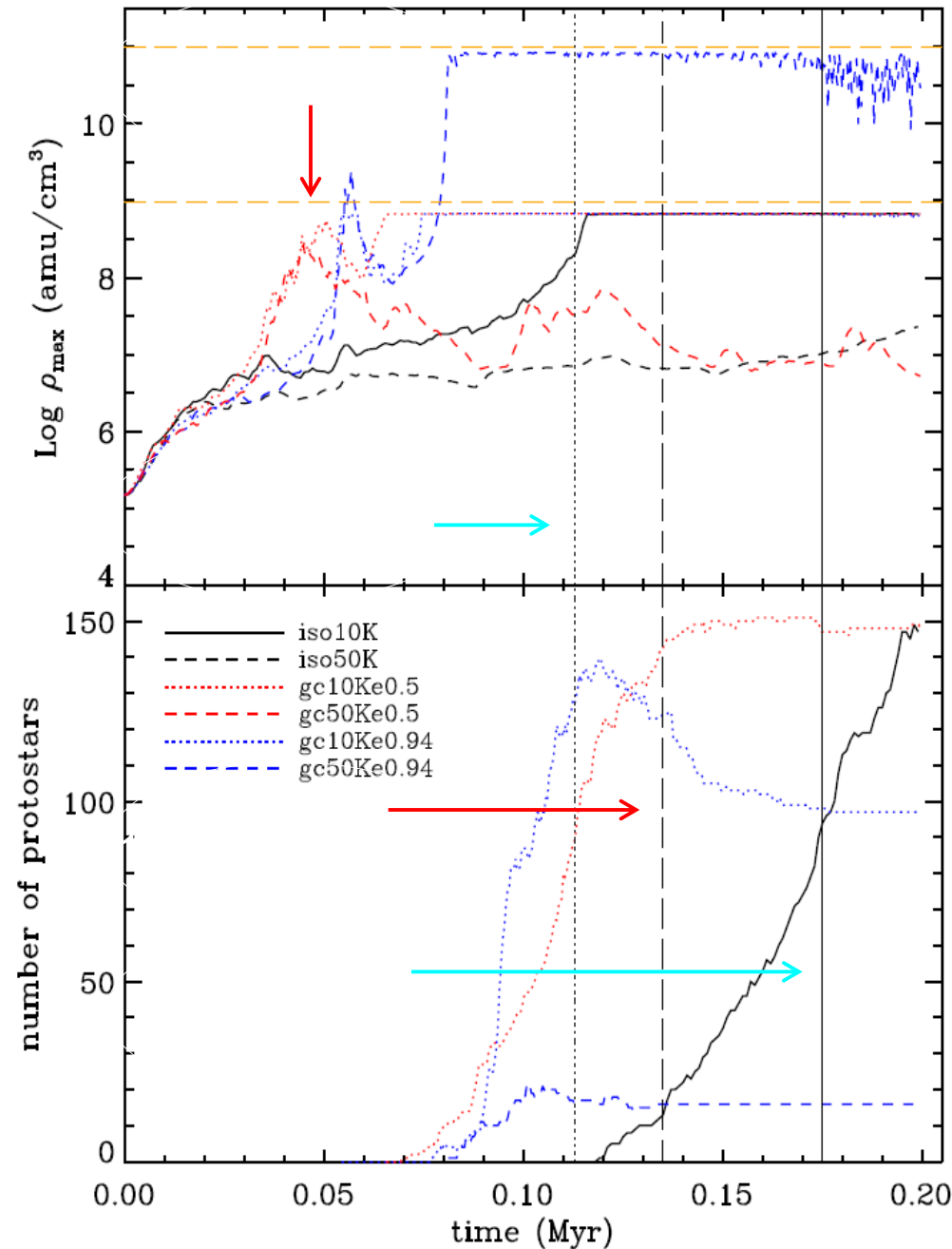
**Critical density increase and formation of stars with 0.1 Myrs!**

**In agreement with the Herbig Ae/Be colors and luminosities of the IRS13N stars**

For orbiting models  
**GC10Ke0.944,**  
**GC50Ke0.944 &**  
**GC10Ke0.5,**  
protostars start forming after first peripass  
passage (period/2),  
as SMBH tidally compress  
the clumps perpendicular to the orbit!

Note that minimum Jeans mass for 10  
& 50K models are 1 and 10 Msun!

No stars formed in  
isolated50K & GC50Ke0.5 models

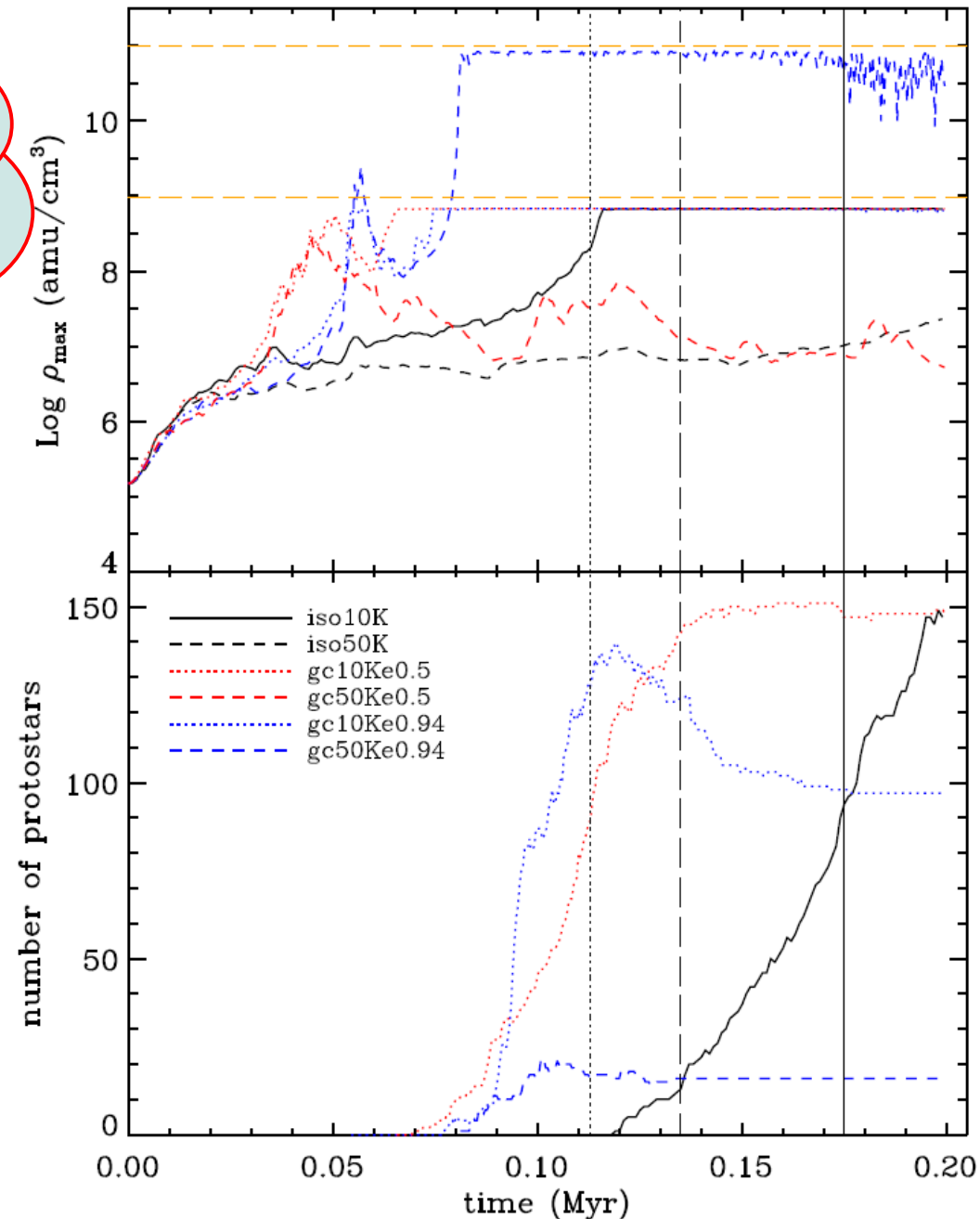




# ***SMBH helps SF!***

This process may explain the presence of

- DSO type objects
- Stellar associations like IRS13, IRS13N, IRS16
- matter and stars getting close to SgrA\*
- Ongoing star formation at the Galactic Center



# Results: Mass distributions

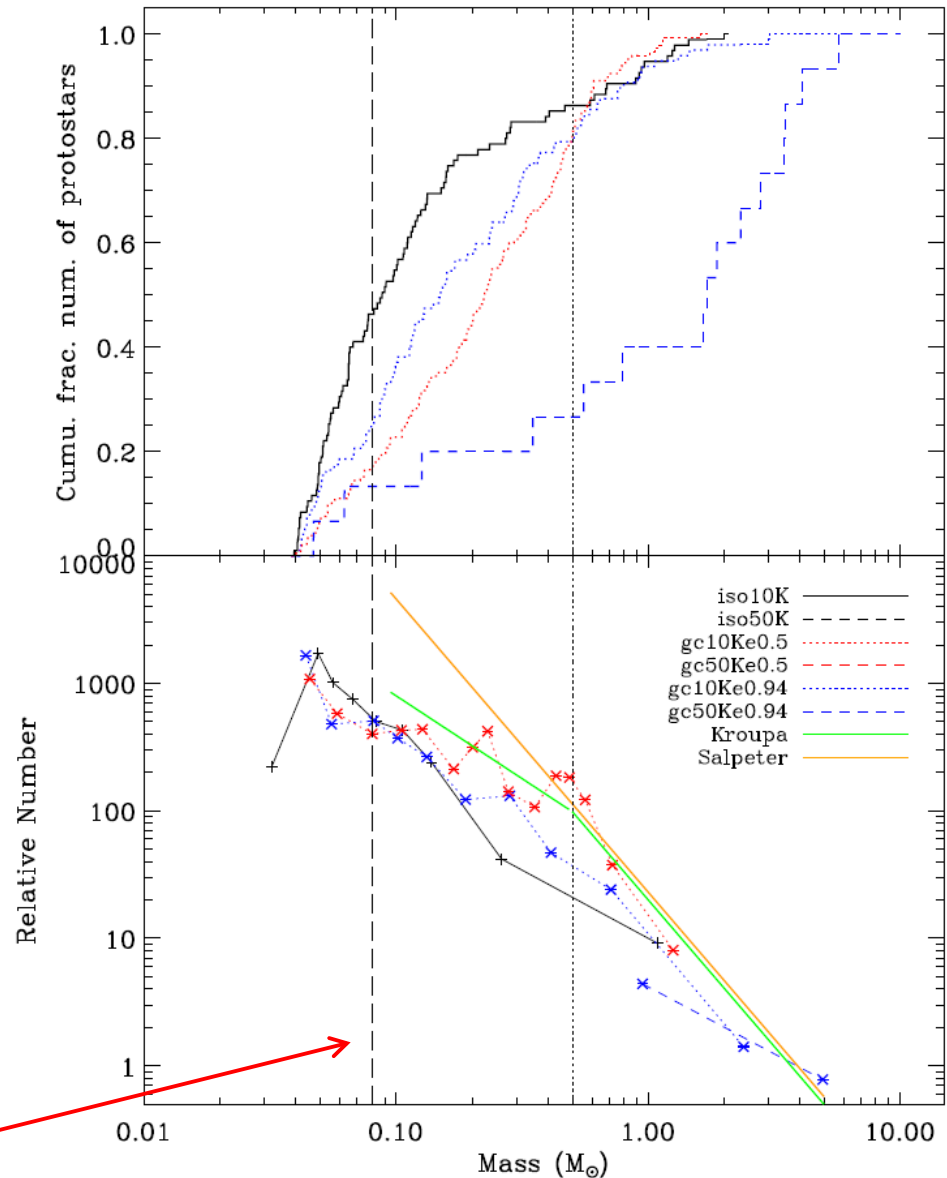
Notice the shallower slope for gc50Ke0.944 (due to higher Jeans mass)

IMF seems consistent with Kroupa & Salpeter slopes

gc50Ke0.944 shows top-heavy trend: 6-10 Msol stars are formed

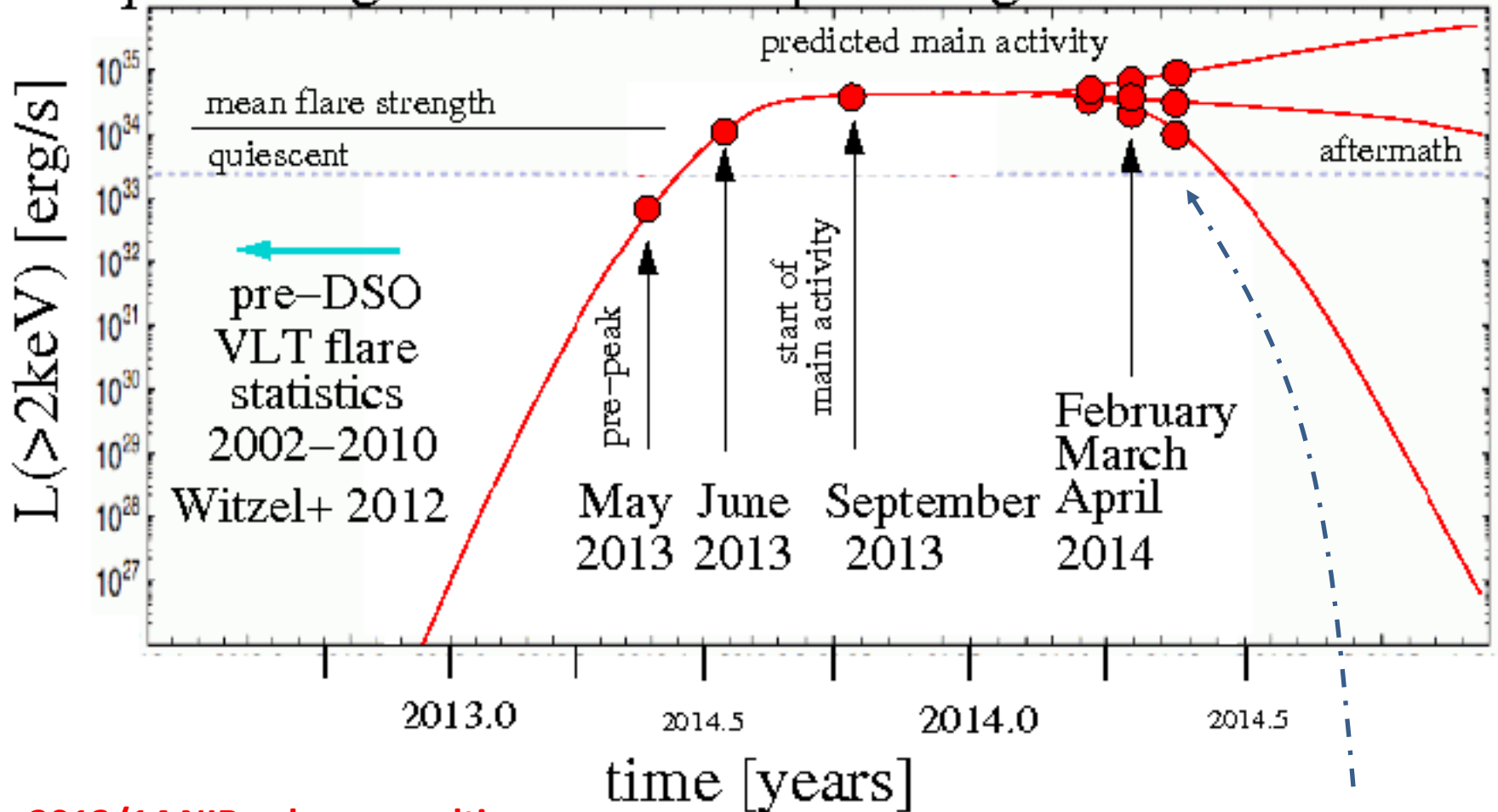
Isolated10K results are consistent with Bate2009 SF models.

BDs limit



# Observing the DSO Flyby 2013/2014

Unique arrangement of runs to probe light curve statistics



**2013/14 NIR sub-mm multi-wavelength run (Eckart+)**

predictions: Gillessen+ Phifer+ 13

$$L = \frac{GM\dot{M}}{2r} = 2\pi r^2 \sigma T^4$$

**XMM**

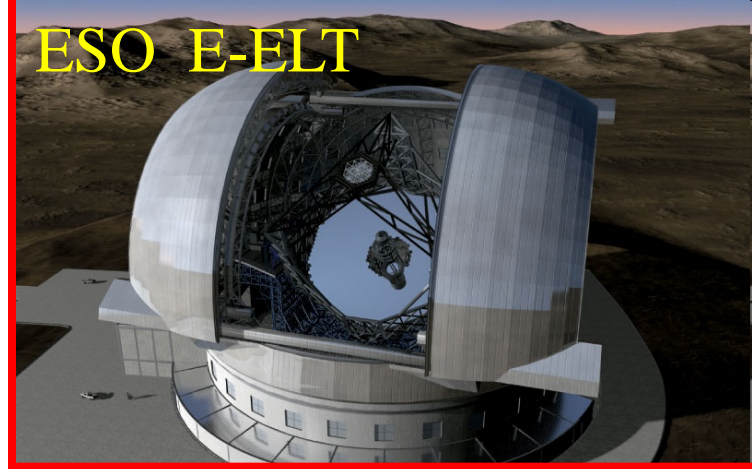
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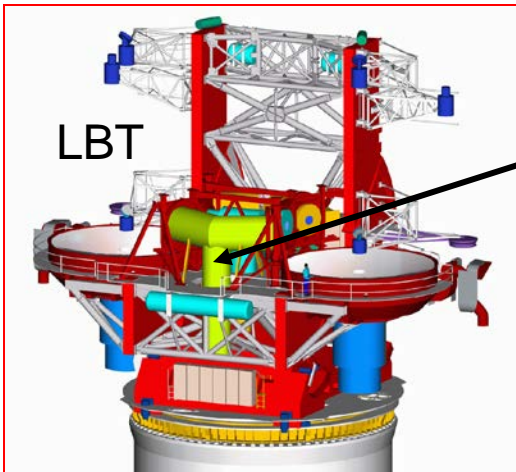
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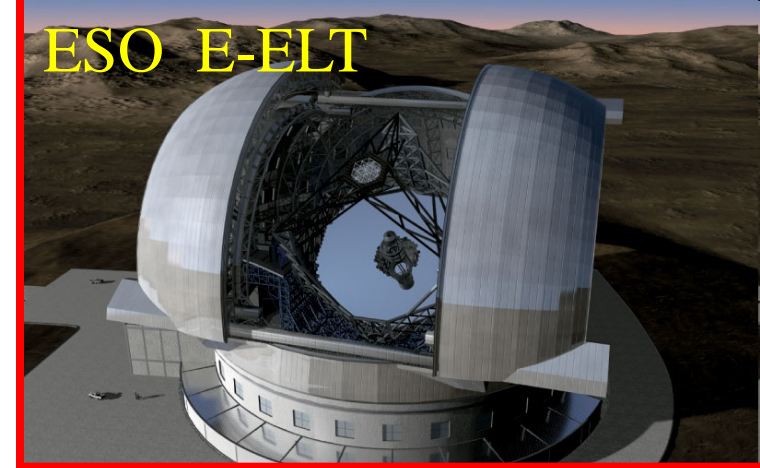
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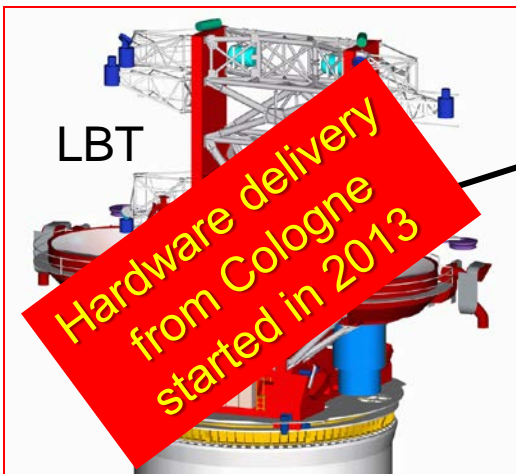


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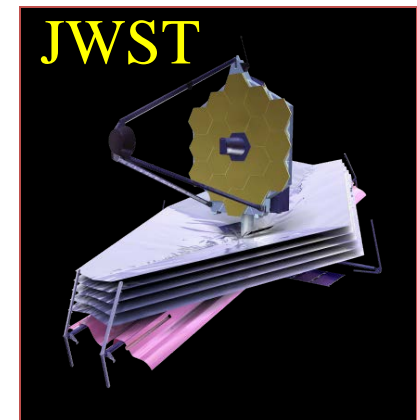
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