

Formation of a Keplerian Disk in the Protostellar System HH 111

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One of the Key questions

How a Keplerian disk can be formed around a central star inside an extended envelope?

Keplerian disk has been detected in Class II phase, some in Class I phase, and some yet to be confirmed in Class 0 phase. So, Class I source is the best choice for this study with the SMA (a few years back) in both continuum and lines.

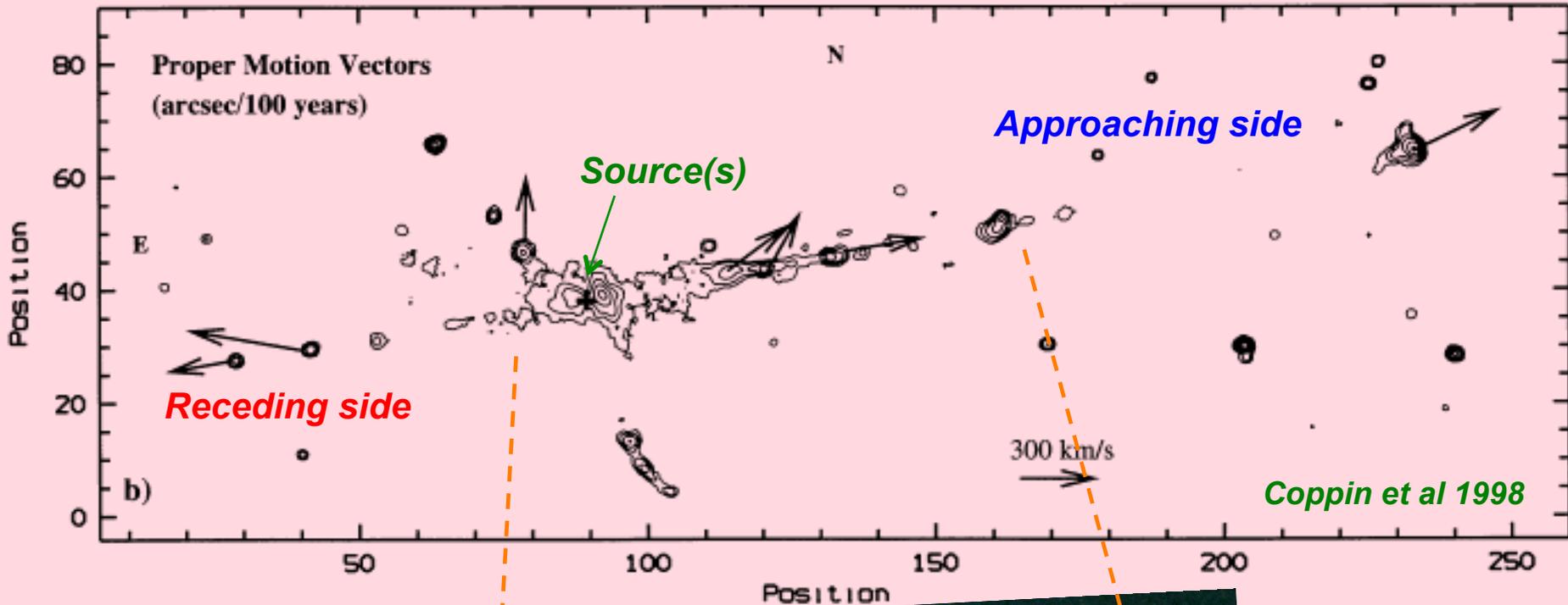
HH 111:

A Class I System at 400 pc in Orion with Extended envelope

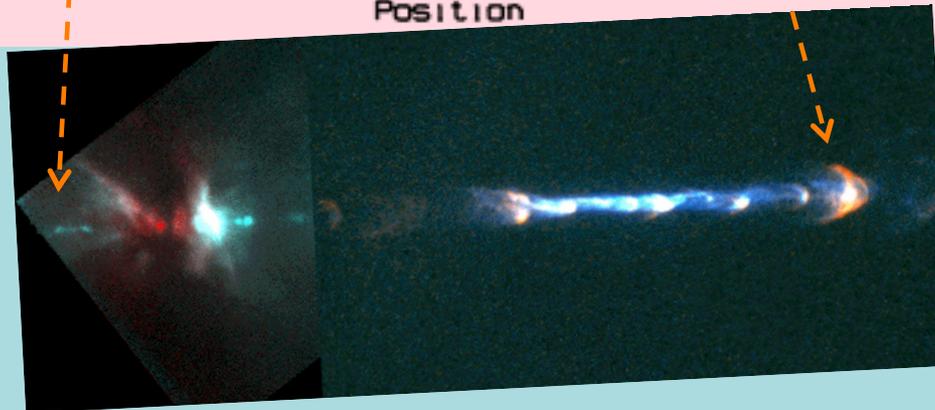
Powerful jet → must have disk

$$T_{\text{bol}} \sim 78 \text{ K. } L_{\text{bol}} \sim 20 L_{\text{sun}}$$

Powerful HH 111 Jet in shocked H_2 emission



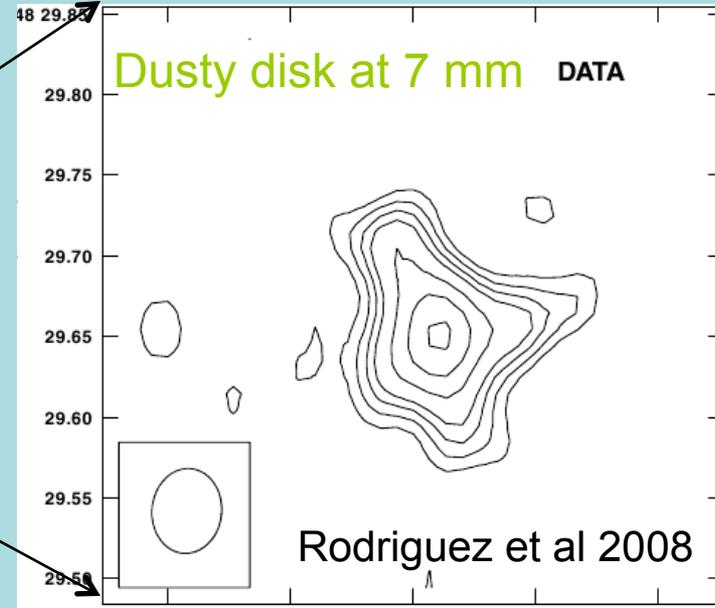
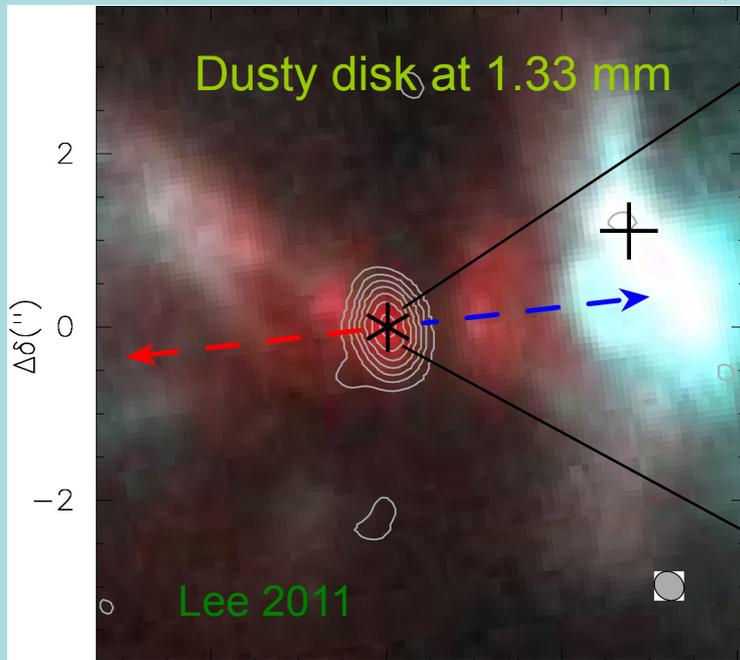
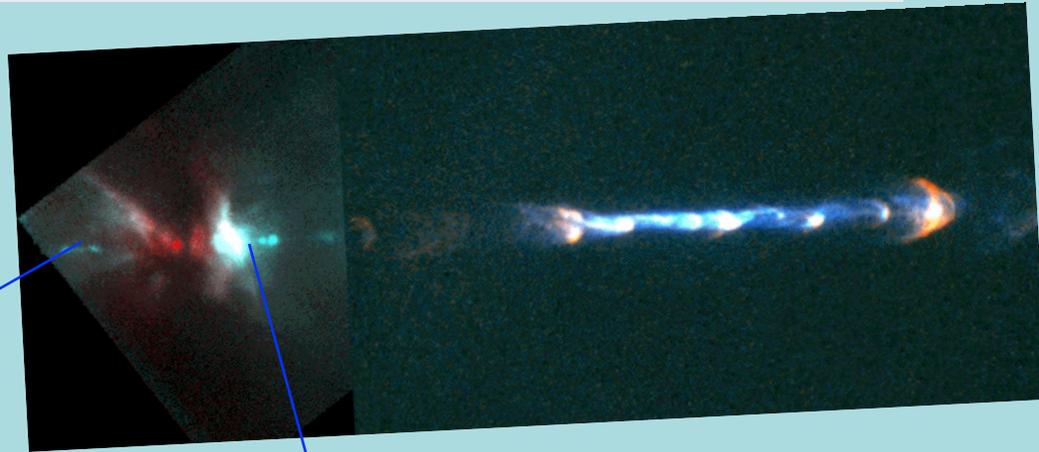
HST NICMOS image:
Red : H_2 2.12 μm
Turquoise: [FeII] 1.64 μm



HST WFPC2 image:
Blue [SII]
Orange Ha

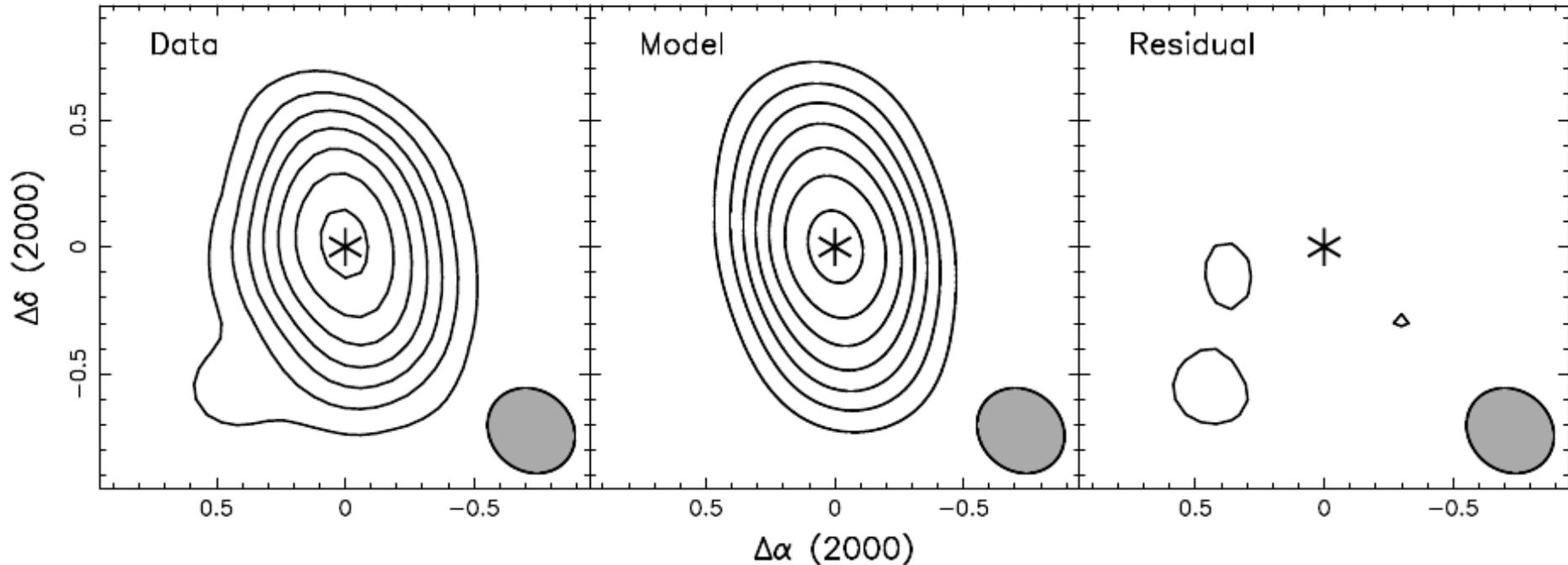
Reipurth et al 1999

A Resolved Dusty Disk around the central source at 1.3 mm



Deconvolved Size $\sim 0.6'' \sim 240$ AU, $M_{\text{disk}} = 0.14 M_{\text{s}}$ Size $\sim 0.15'' = 60$ AU, $M_{\text{disk}} < 0.1 M_{\text{s}}$

Properties from 1.3mm cont



$$n = n_0 \left(\frac{R}{R_0} \right)^{-p}$$

$$T = T_0 \left(\frac{R}{R_0} \right)^{-q}$$

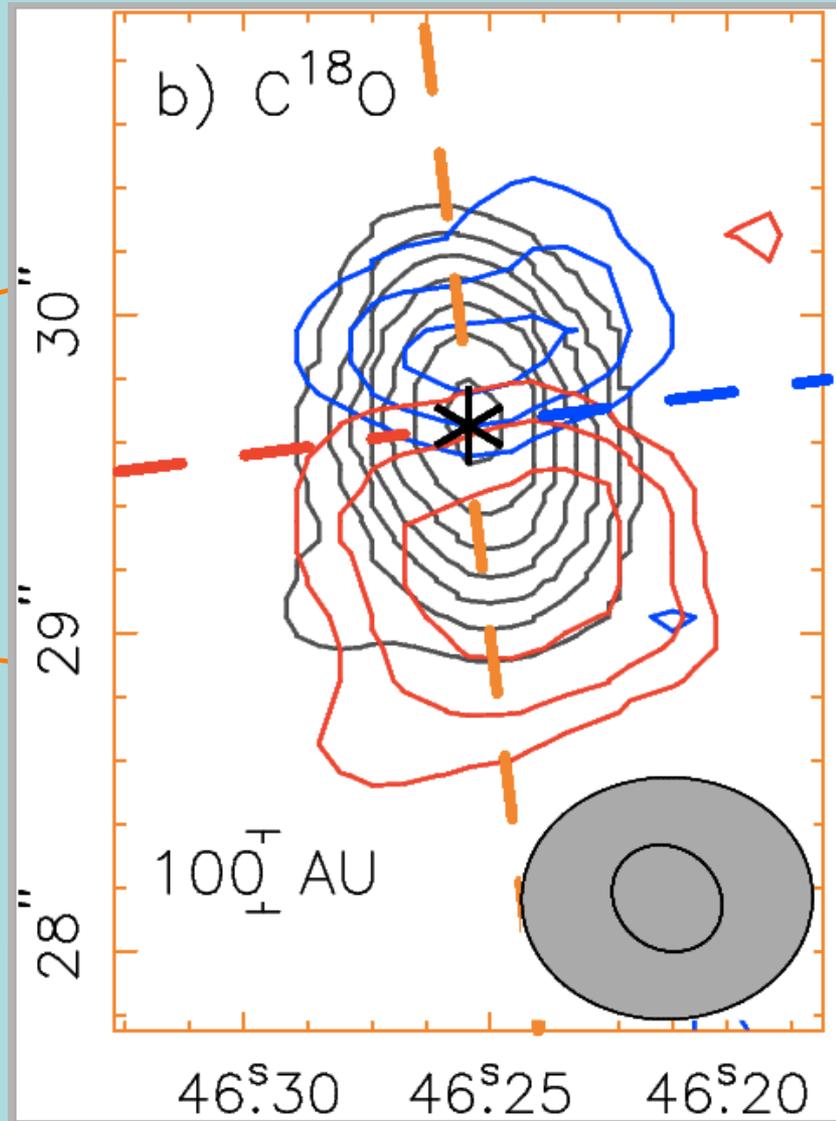
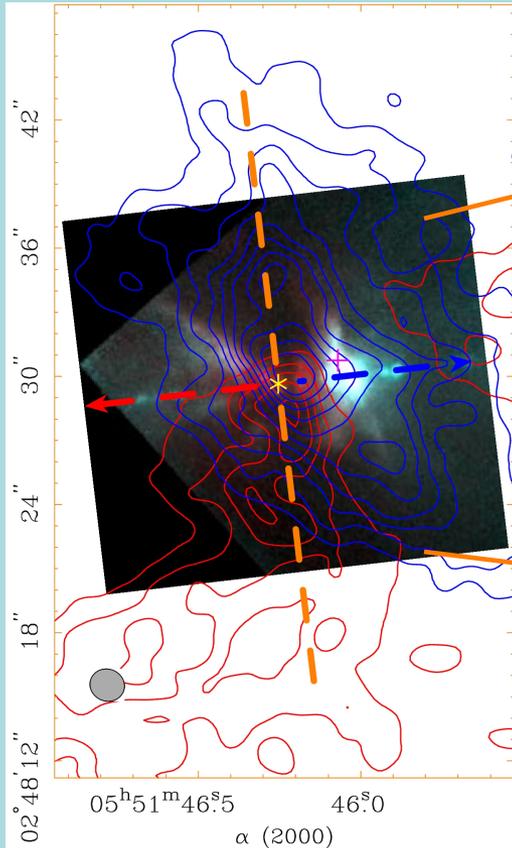
(Lee 2011)

$R_0 = 120$ AU, $R_{out} = 240$ AU (0.6")

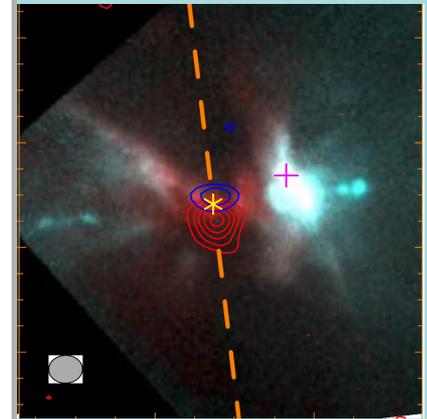
$p = 1.0$ (similar to that found in T Tauri disks) and $n_0 = 10^9$ cm⁻³

$q = 0.5$ (similar to that found in T-Tauri disks) and $T_0 = 45$ K

Surface density ~ 7.2 g cm⁻² at 120 AU and 21.5 g cm⁻² at 40 AU, similar to those found in the bright T-Tauri disks, e.g., GSS 39, in Ophiuchus \rightarrow young protoplanetary disk



$C^{18}O$ J=2-1



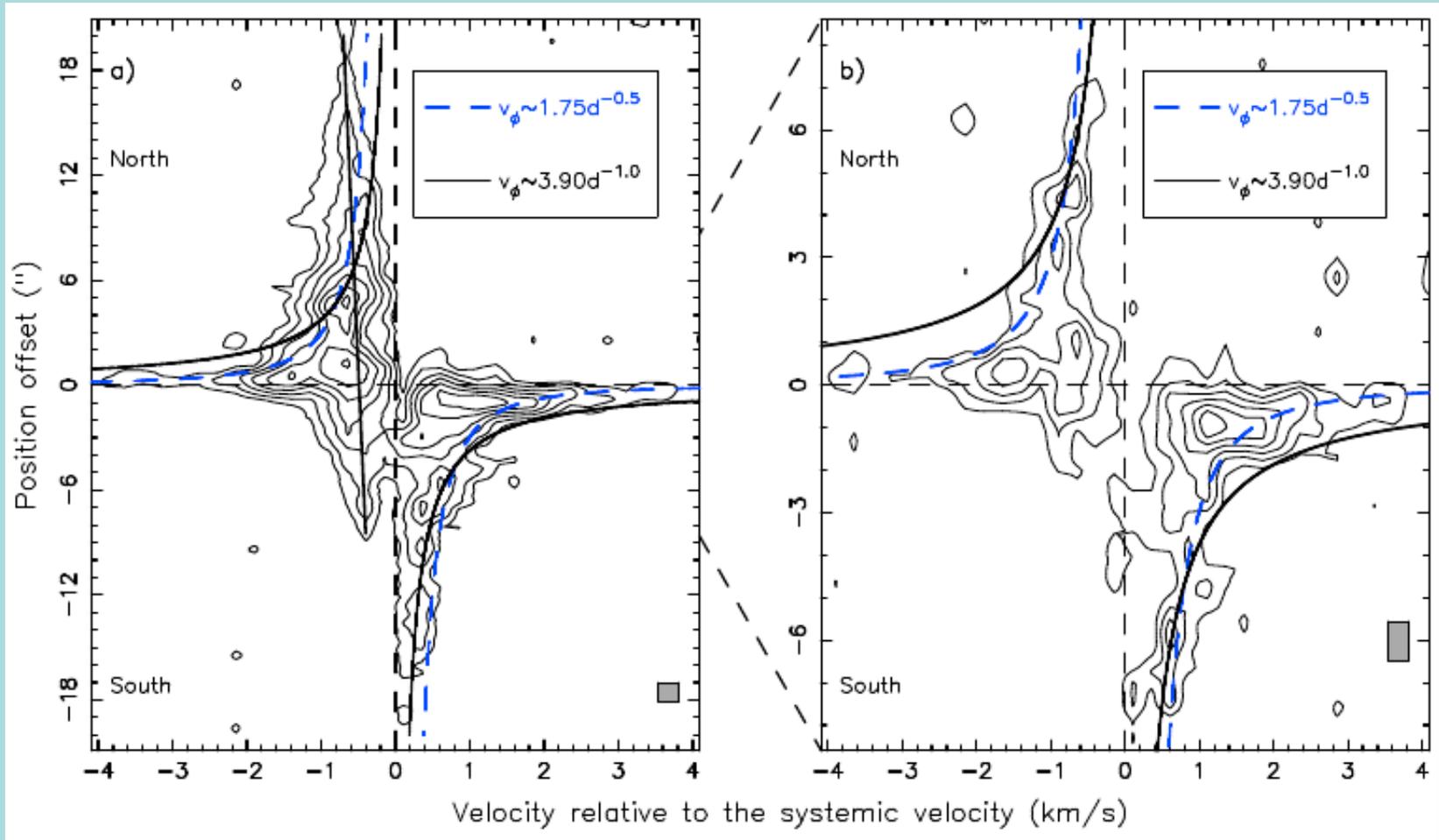
to the jet

0.035 pc

the source

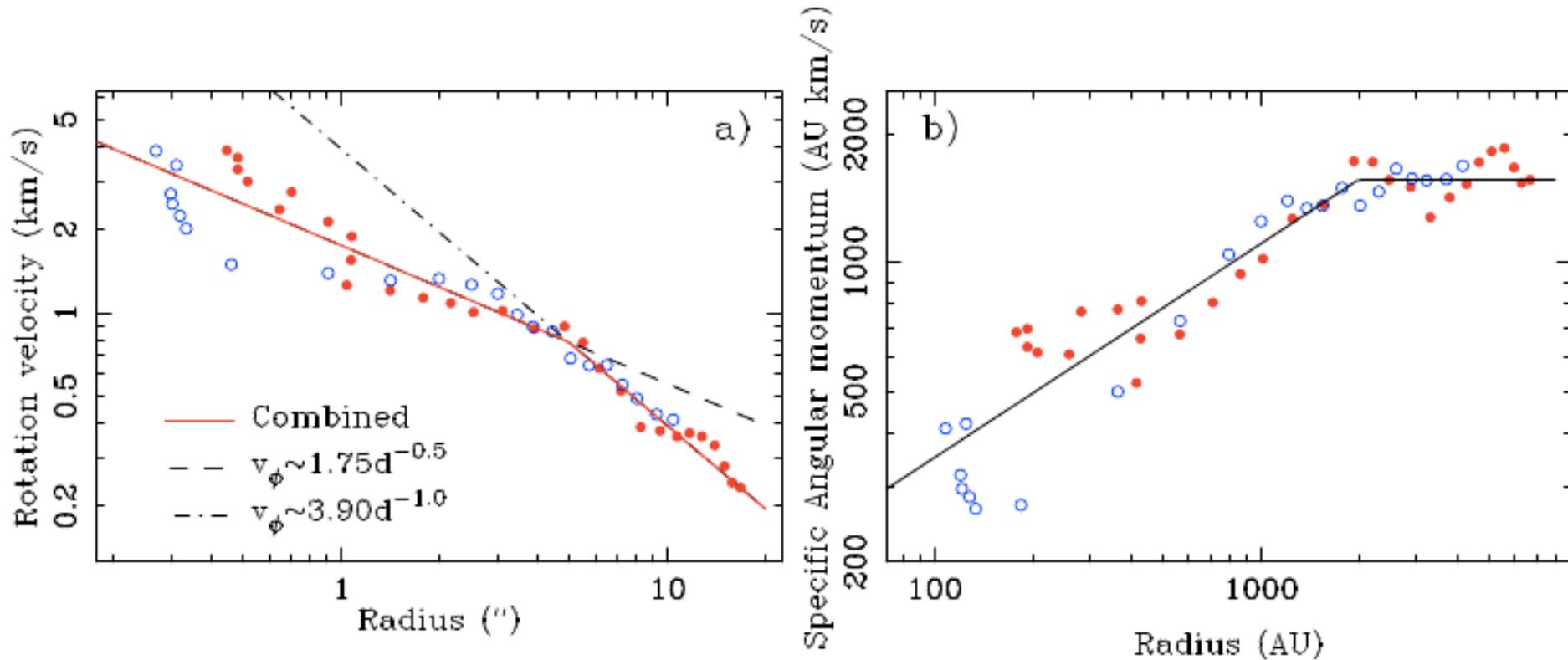
Envelope → rotationally supported disk near the source! How?

Position-Velocity Diagram along the Equatorial Plane



(Lee 2010)

Rotation Velocity and Angular Momentum Corrected for inclination angle



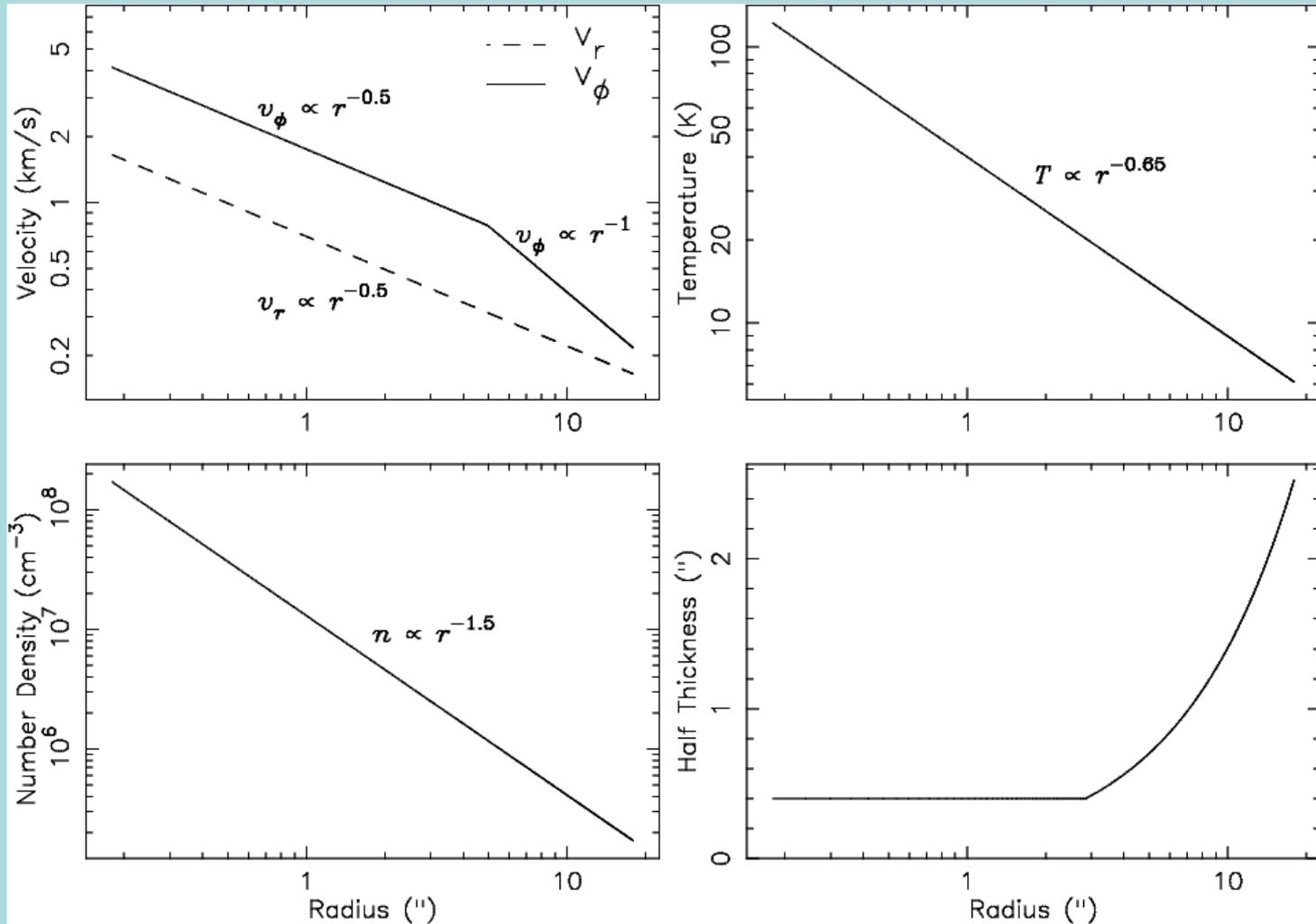
A Change of rotation profile at $r \sim 2000$ AU (5") !!

➔ Decrease of angular momentum toward the center

(Lee 2010)

The data distribution is scattered but ALMA data to be obtained should improve it

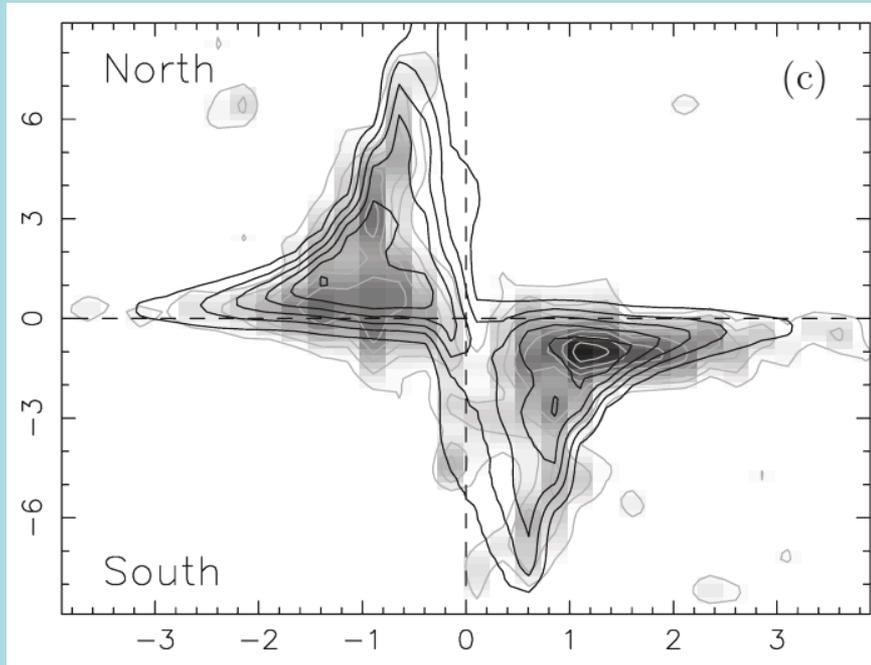
Modeling the envelope/disk(?) (Lee 2010)



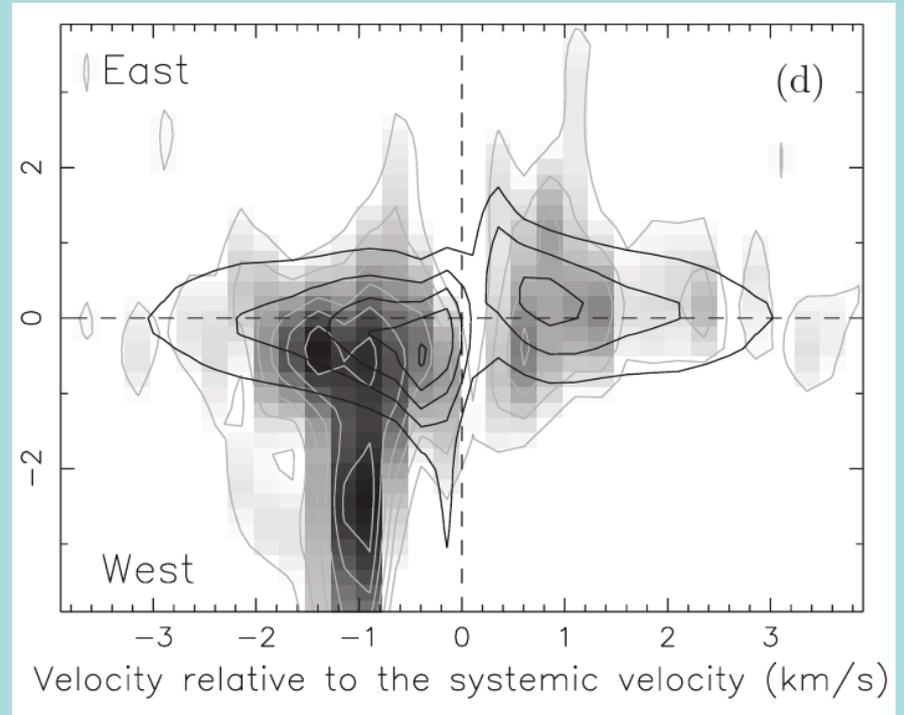
The infall velocity is roughly determined from the PV cut along the minor axis. v_r upto $0.7 v_\phi$ in the outer region and it decreases to $v_r \sim 0.4 v_\phi$ in the inner region.

Comparison betw. Model and obs (upto $\sim 9''$)

PV cut along the major axis



PV cut along the minor axis



Model Results and Implications

- Inner region: Keplerian rotation with small Infall motion
- From the Keplerian rotation → The central star has a mass of $1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$ about 10 times the disk mass (derived from dust emission) → the disk is stable
- Outer region: rotation with conservation of angular momentum with some significant infall velocity
 - material spiraling inward with an infall rate $\sim 4.2 \times 10^{-6} M_{\text{s}}/\text{yr}$ (OK for Class I)
- Keplerian Radius $\sim 5'' \sim 2000 \text{ AU}$ (large for low-mass protostars), crossing time $\sim 30,000 \text{ yrs}$ with $c_{\text{s}} \sim 0.3 \text{ km/s}$ ($T \sim 20 \text{ K}$)
- Why the Keplerian region is so big compared to the dusty disk? Is the Keplerian region only a transition region, i.e., a pseudo disk? Or Keplerian radius is overestimated due to not enough sensitivity and resolution?