

# SMA and ALMA Observations of a Prototypical Binary Protostellar System L1551 NE

Infall, Keplerian Circumbinary Disk, and Accretion Streams

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# 1. Introduction: Binary Protostellar Formation

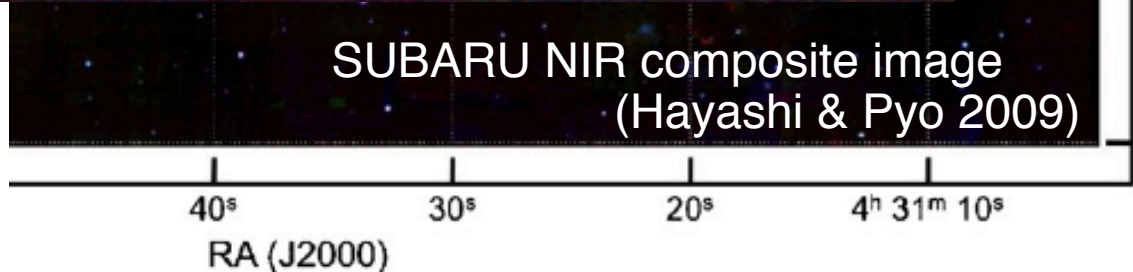
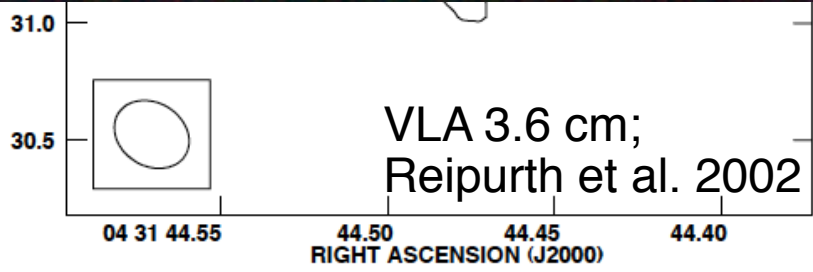
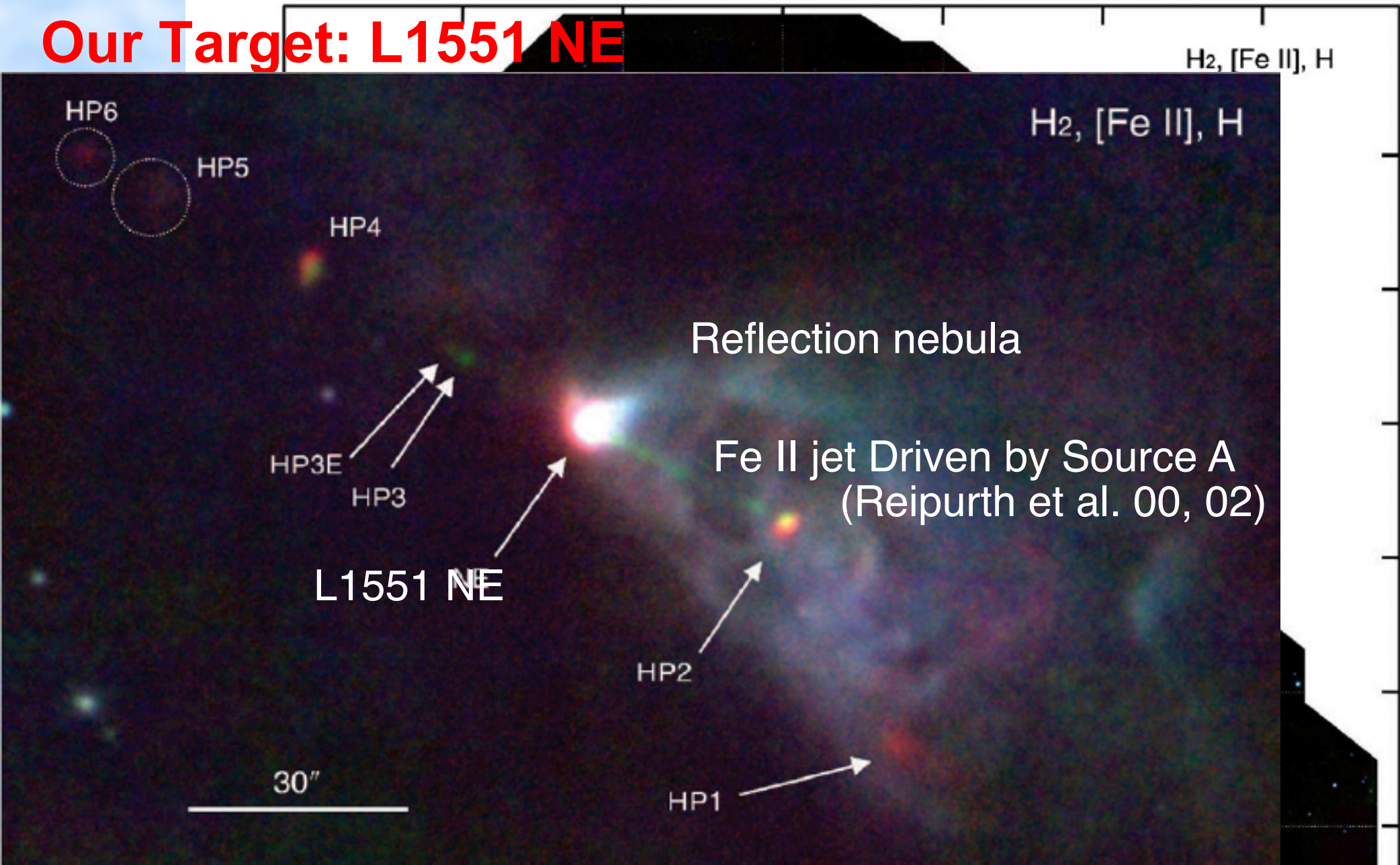
A substantial fraction of low-mass stars form as binary systems (Dunquennoy & Mayor '91, Mathieu '94).

Compared to single star formation, binary formation is little understood.

High-dynamic Range Observations of Protostellar Binaries are essential.

- Protostellar Envelope (Infall ?)
- Circumbinary Disk (Rotation ?)
- Connecting Gas Stream  
from Circumbinary to Circumstellar Disks ?

# Our Target: L1551 NE





## 2. SMA & ALMA Observations of L1551 NE

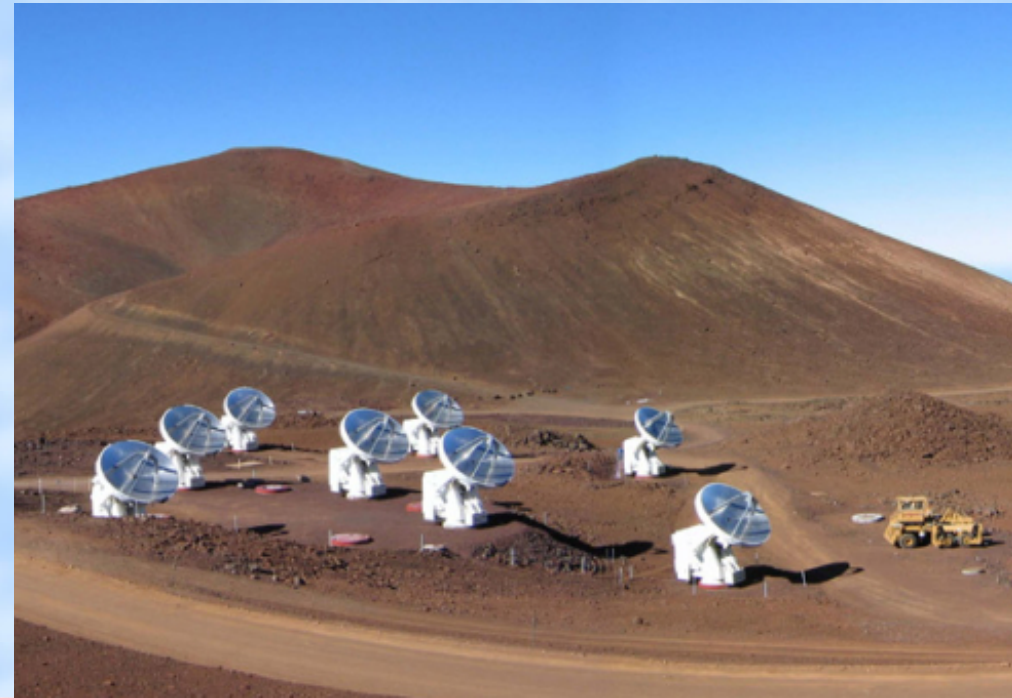
### SMA

→  $C^{18}O$  (3-2; 329.331 GHz)

Resolution:  $1.36'' \times 1.06''$

Velocity resolution:  $0.37 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Noise level:  $\sim 0.078 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$



### ALMA Cycle 0 (Filler Project)

→  $C^{18}O$  (3-2), 0.9-mm Continuum

Resolution:  $0.72'' \times 0.36''$  (Cont. > 80 kl)

:  $0.82'' \times 0.49''$  (Line)

Velocity resolution:  $0.22 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

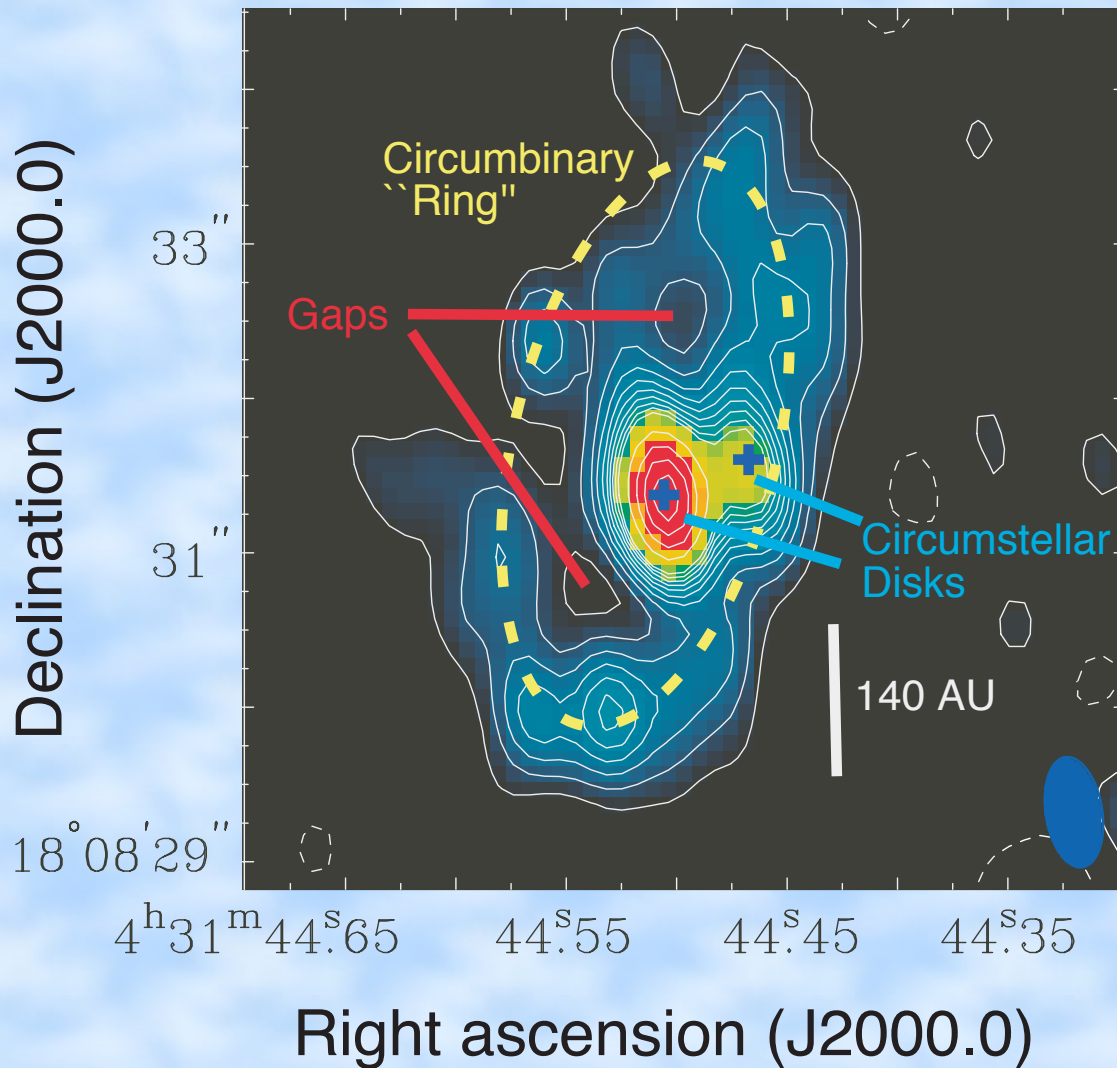
Noise level:  $\sim 2.6 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  (Cont. > 80 kl)

:  $\sim 0.016 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$  (Line)





### 3. Results: ALMA 0.9-mm Continuum



Compact Components associated with Sources A & B

Southern U-shaped Feature + Western Shell-like Feature

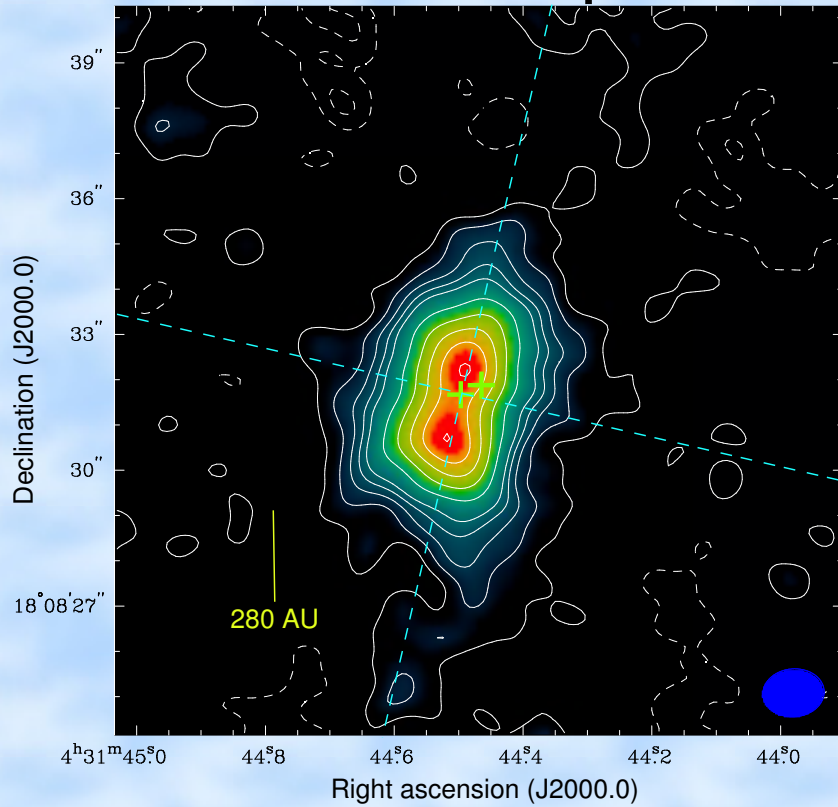
Local Emission Minima

→ Circumstellar Disks + Circumbinary "Ring" with "Gaps"

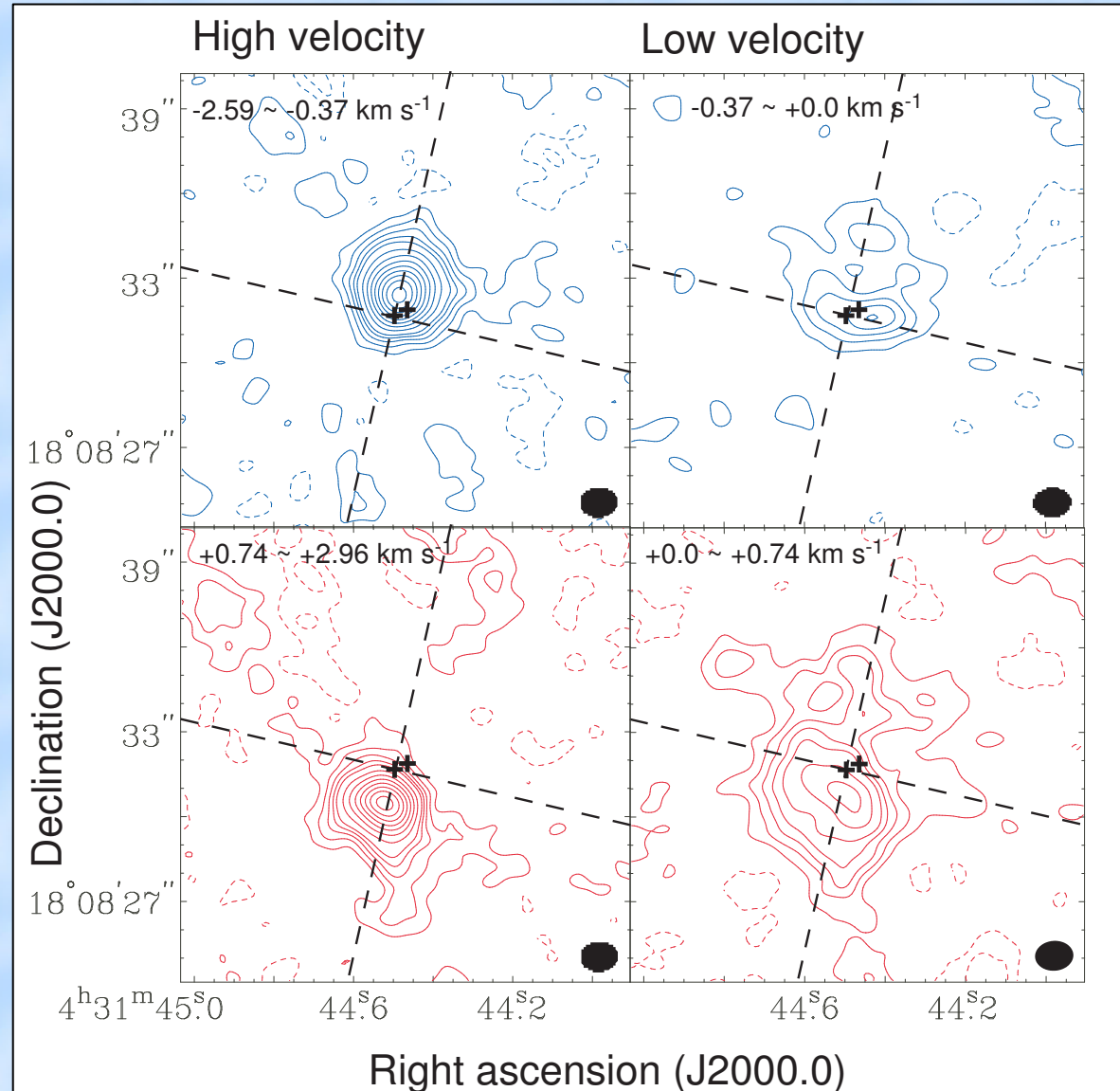
Total Mass  $\sim 0.046 M_{\text{solar}}$

# SMA C<sup>18</sup>O (3-2)

## Moment 0 map



~800 AU scale, elongated circumbinary feature



@High-Velocity → North-South Vel. Grad., along the major axis  
@Low-Velocity → West-East Vel. Grad., along the minor axis

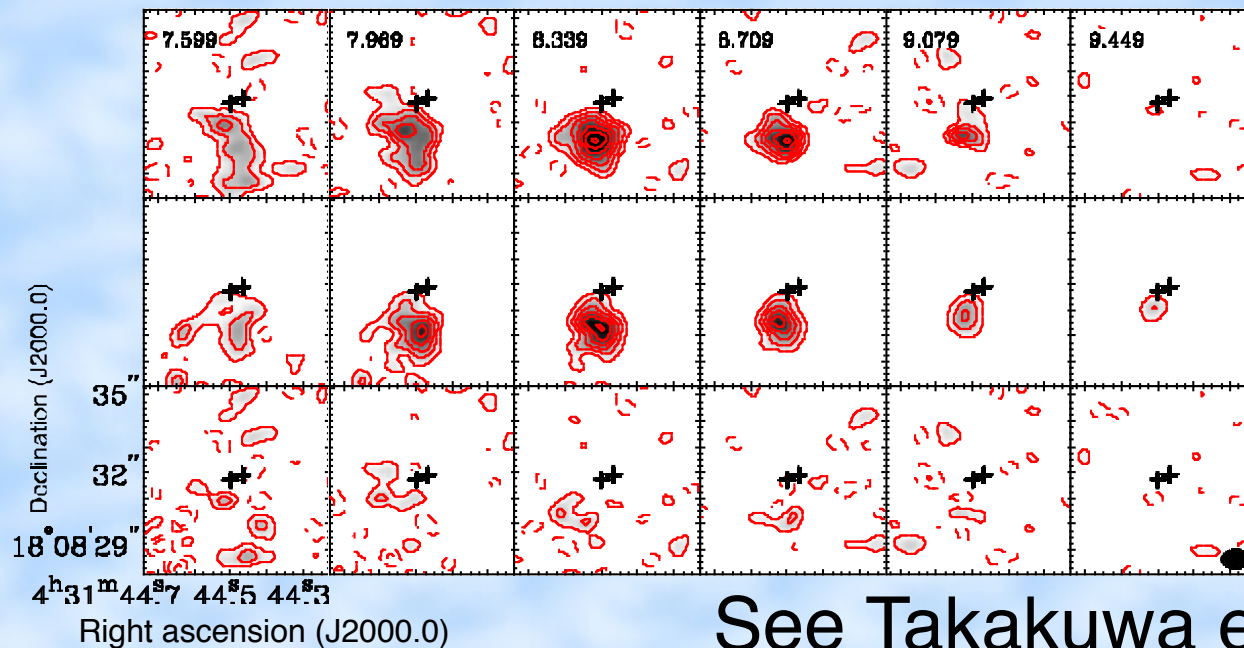
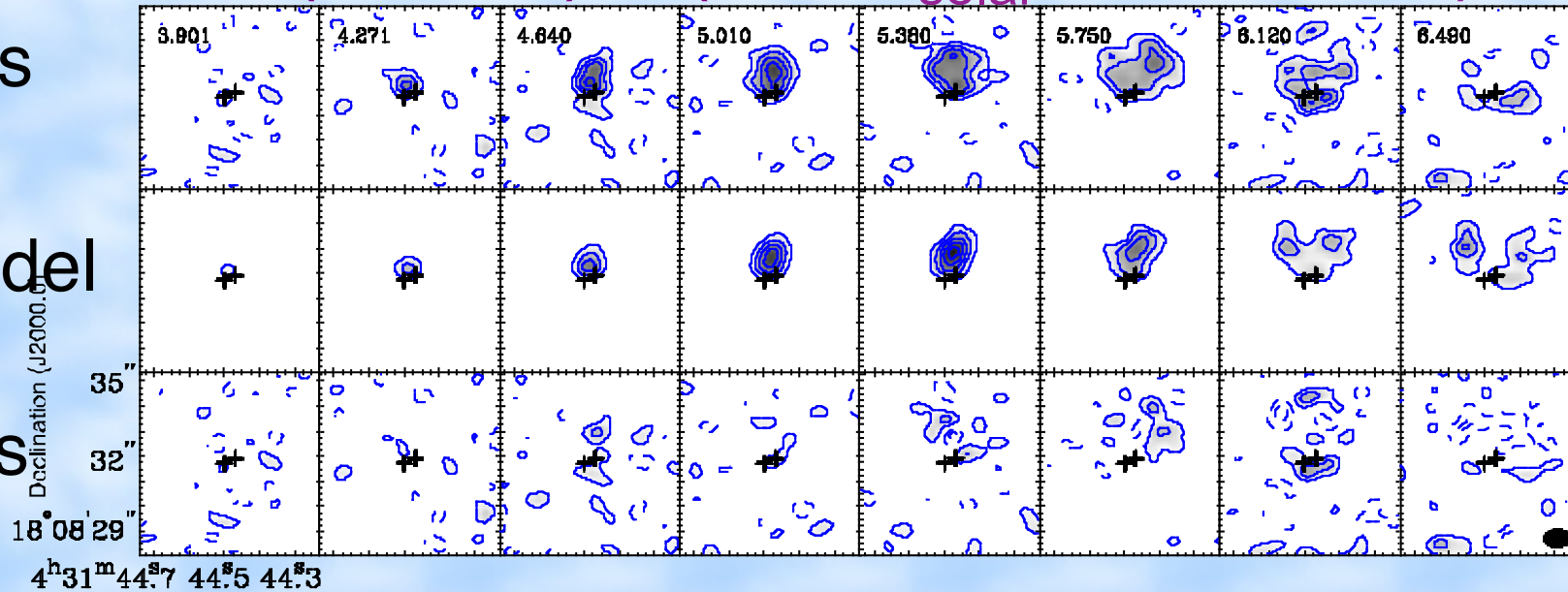


# $\chi^2$ model fitting to the High-Velocity Components → Keplerian Circumbinary Disk with $(M_*, i, \theta) = (0.8 M_{\text{solar}}, -62^\circ, 167^\circ)$

Obs

Model

Res



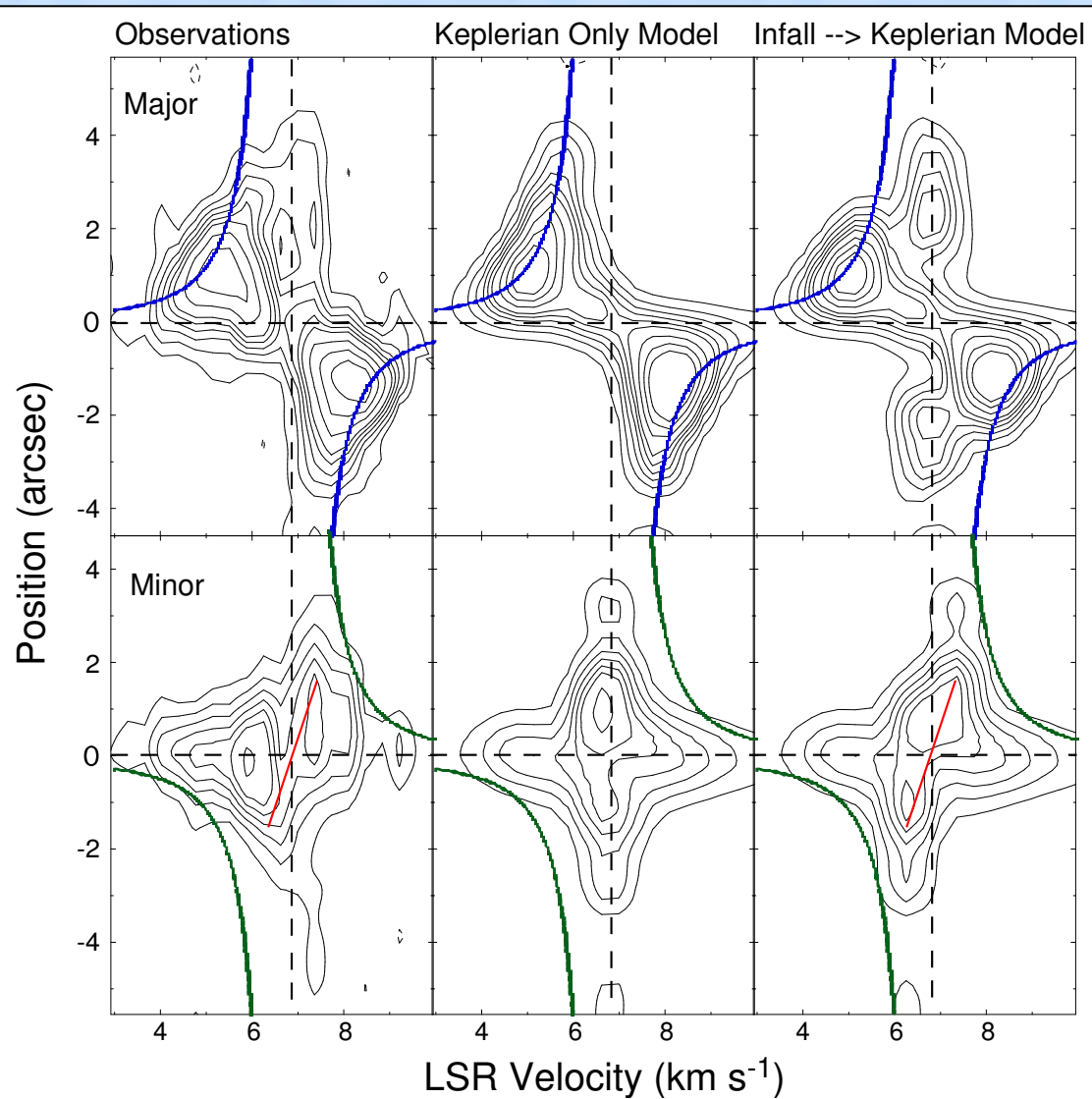
Contours  
in steps of  $2\sigma$

See Takakuwa et al. (2012) for details.

# Low-Velocity Components

→ Infalling Gas toward the Keplerian Circumbinary disk ??

## Observed & Model P-Vs along the major and minor axes



Keplerian-only model cannot explain the vel. grad. along the minor axis, nor the northern redshifted component.

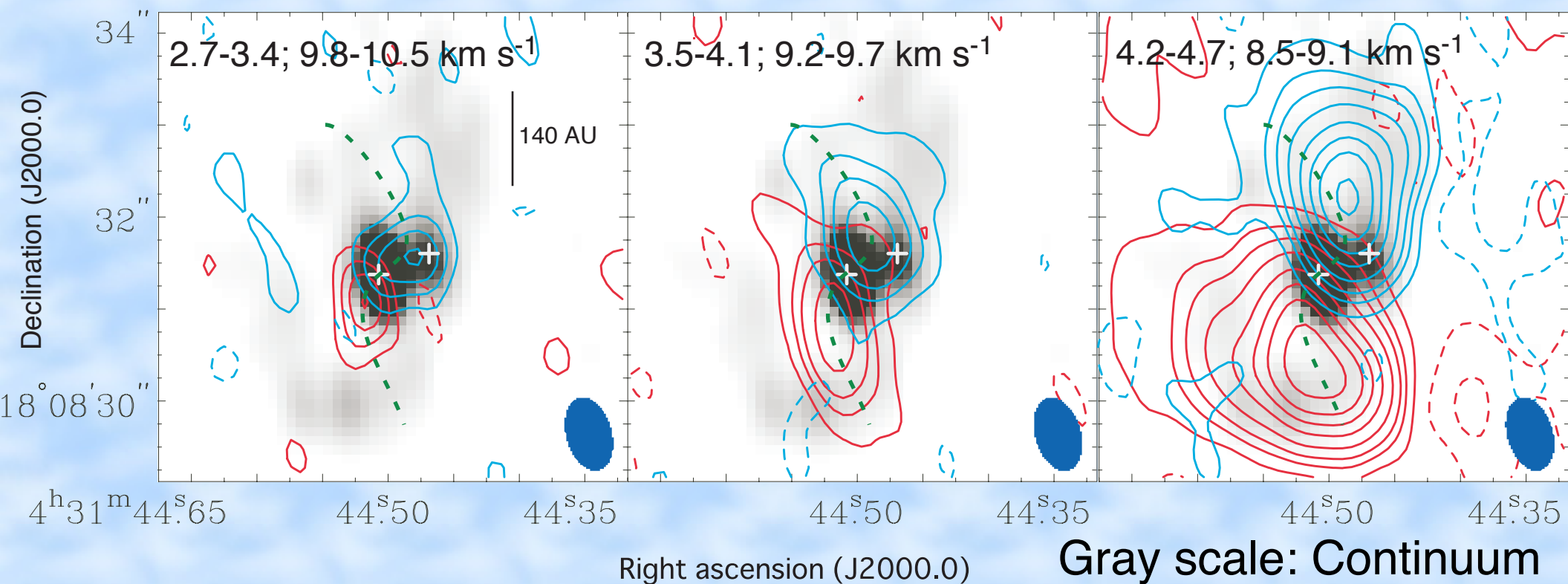
Outer Infalling component,  
 $r_{kep} \sim 300 \text{ AU}$   
 $v_{inf} \sim 0.6 \text{ km s}^{-1}$   
No rotation

Note:  $v_{inf} < v_{free-fall}$   
@  $M_* = 0.8 M_{solar}$



# ALMA C<sup>18</sup>O (3-2)

→ Even High-Vel. Emission closer to the protobinary



S-shaped features, from the Circumbinary Ring to Source A, passing through Source B

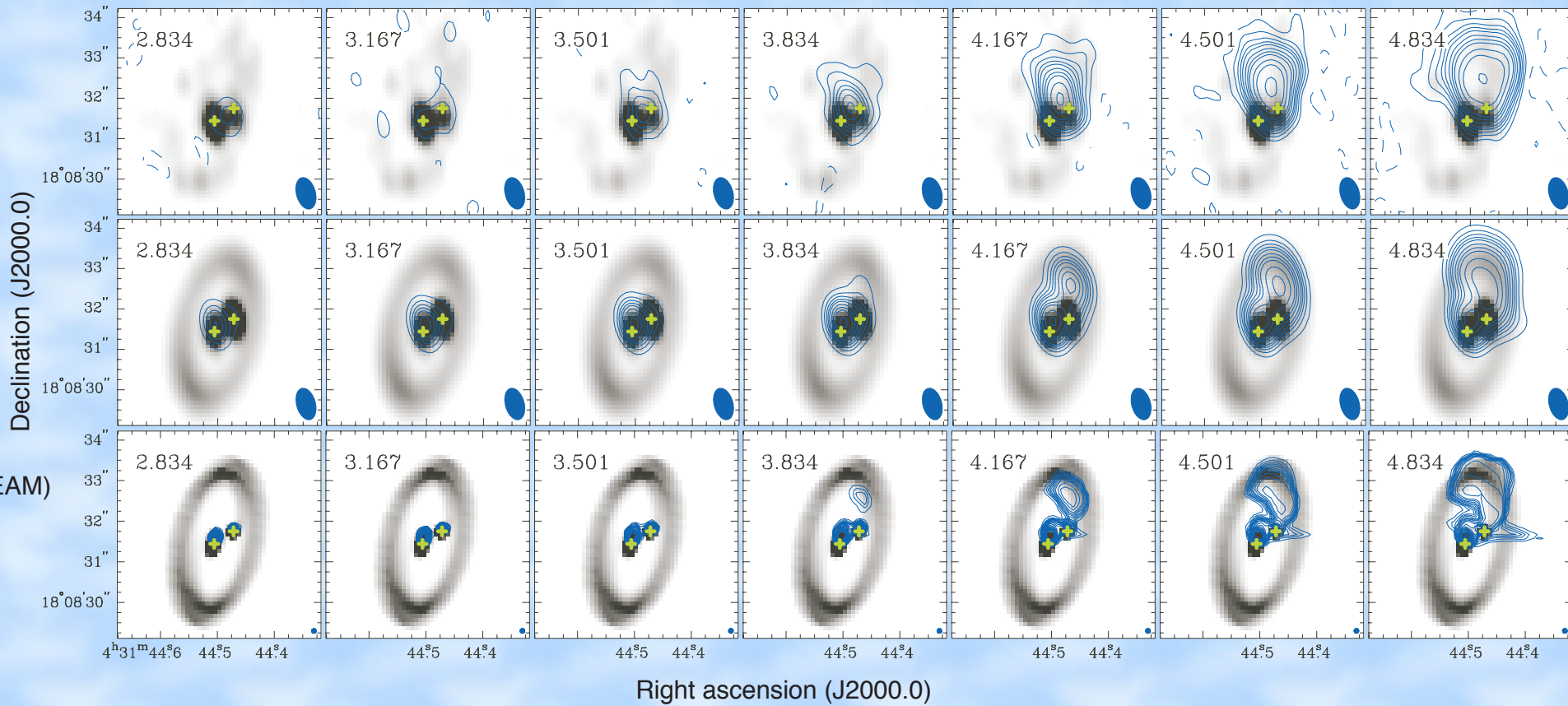
→ Accretion Stream ?!

# Comparison with theoretical simulation of binary accretion (Ochi et al. 2005; Hanawa et al. 2010)

ALMA OBS.

MODEL  
(ALMA BEAM)

MODEL  
(0.1 arcsec BEAM)



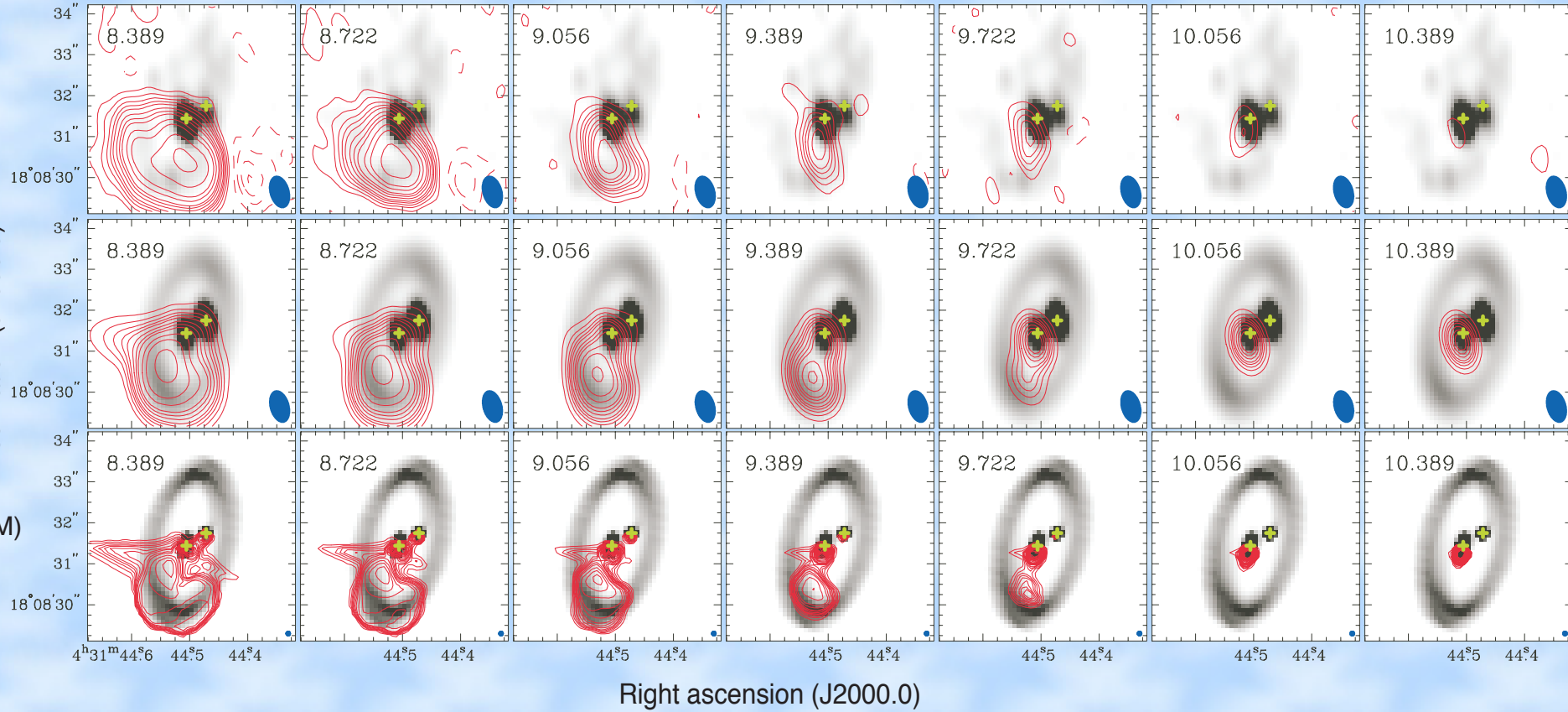


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MODEL  
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(0.1 arcsec BEAM)

Declination (J2000.0)



The ALMA results are consistent with our theoretical model of binary accretion.

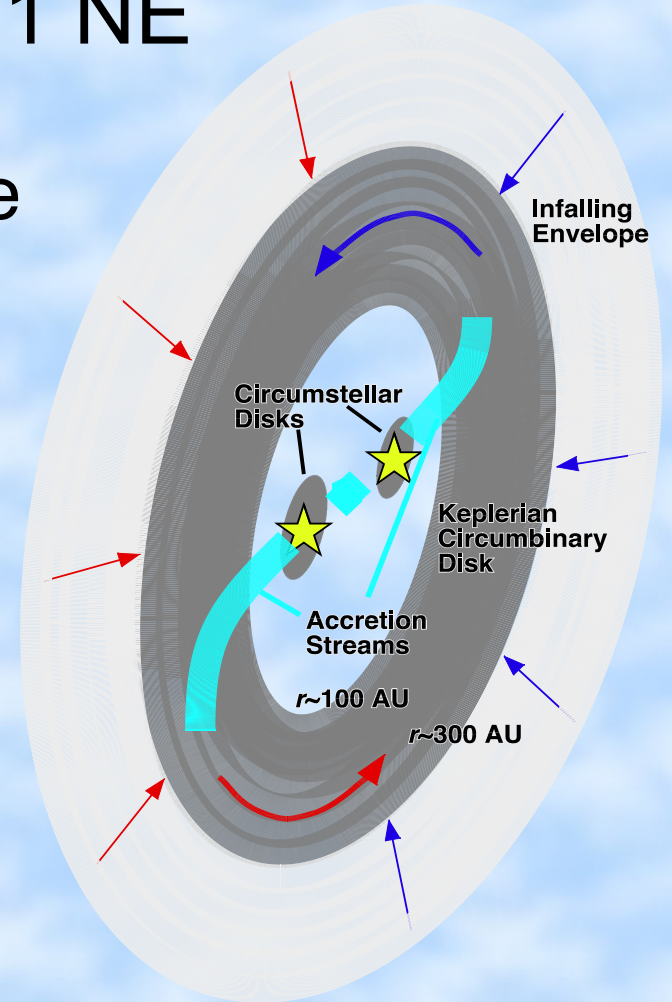
# 4. Summary: Hierarchical Structure of the Binary-Forming Region L1551 NE

Outer ( $r > 300$  AU) Infalling Envelope

Keplerian Circumbinary Disk  
( $\sim 100$  AU  $< r < 300$  AU)

Circumstellar Disks

Accretion Streams from the Circumbinary Disk  
to the Circumstellar Disks

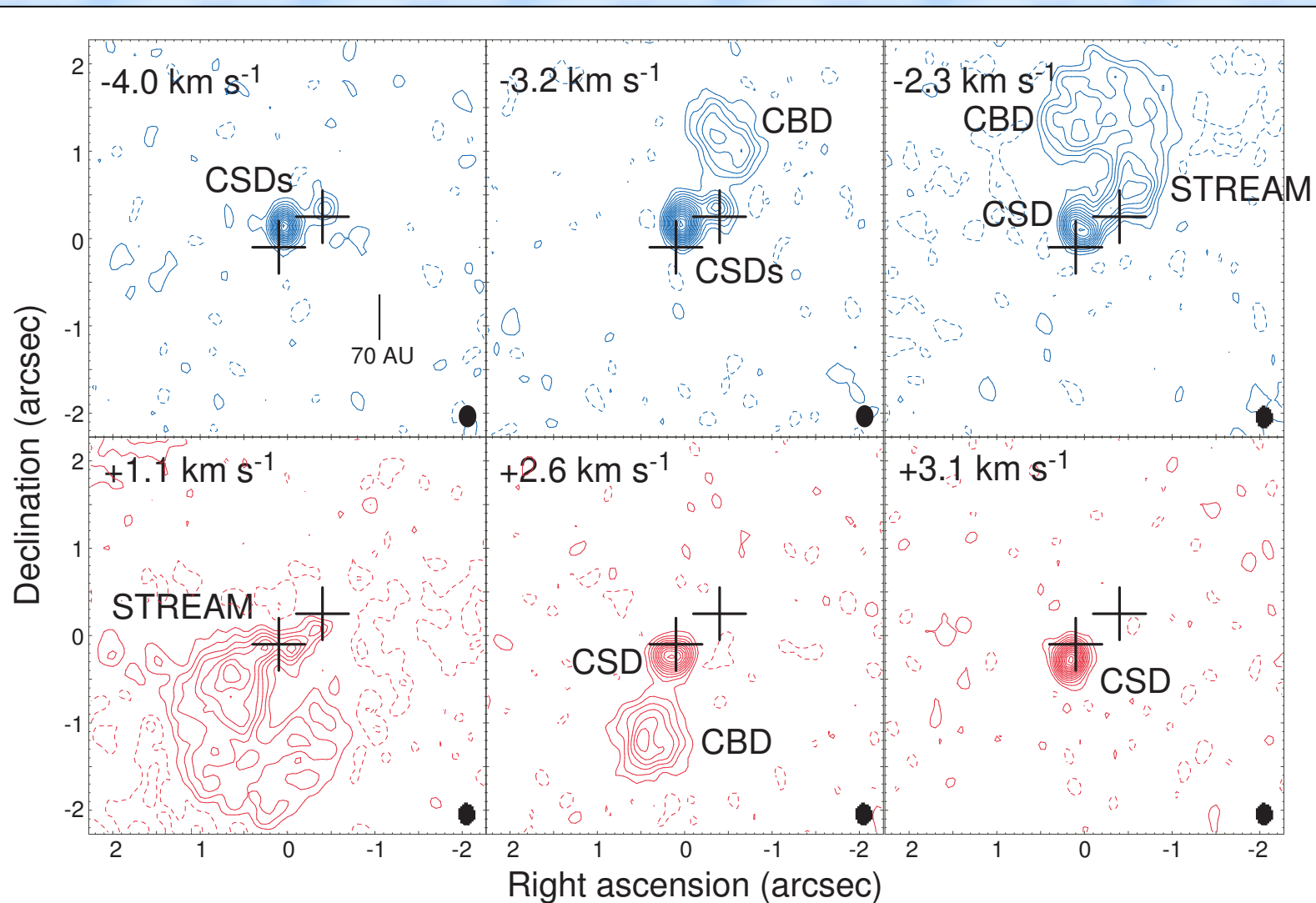




## 4. Future ALMA Observation

→ Direct Imaging of the “Accretion Streams” connecting between the Circumbinary Disk (CBD) and the Circumstellar Disks (CSDs)

## Simulated ALMA Image of L1551 NE in the C<sup>18</sup>O 3-2 Emission



Based on the theoretical model by Ochi et al. ('05)

## 2. SubMillimeter Array (SMA) Observations of L1551 NE

$C^{18}O$  (3-2; 329.331 GHz) and 0.9-mm continuum

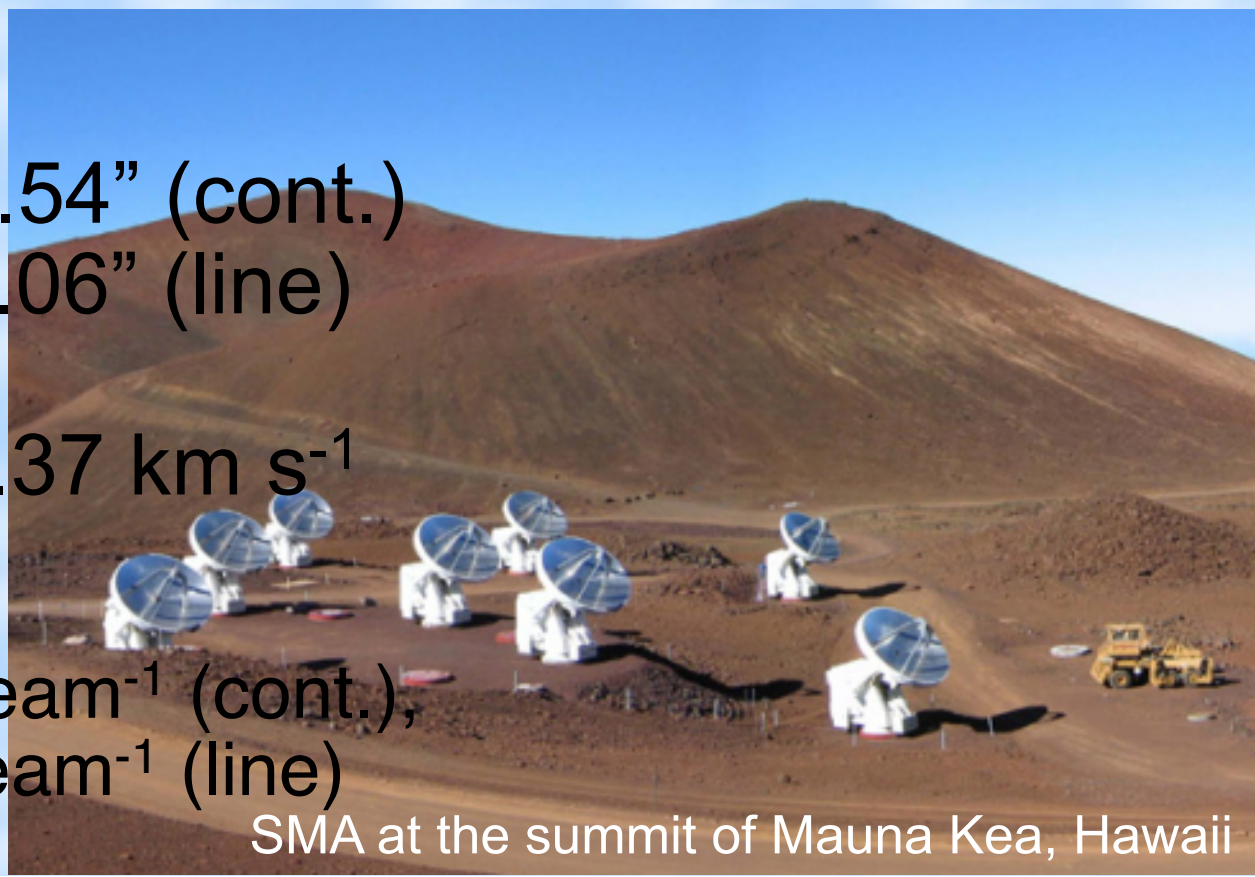
Extended Configuration (2010) → Circumbinary Disk  
(Sub-)Compact Config. (2011, 2012) → Envelope

Primary beam:  $\sim 37''$

Resolution:  $0.80'' \times 0.54''$  (cont.)  
:  $1.36'' \times 1.06''$  (line)

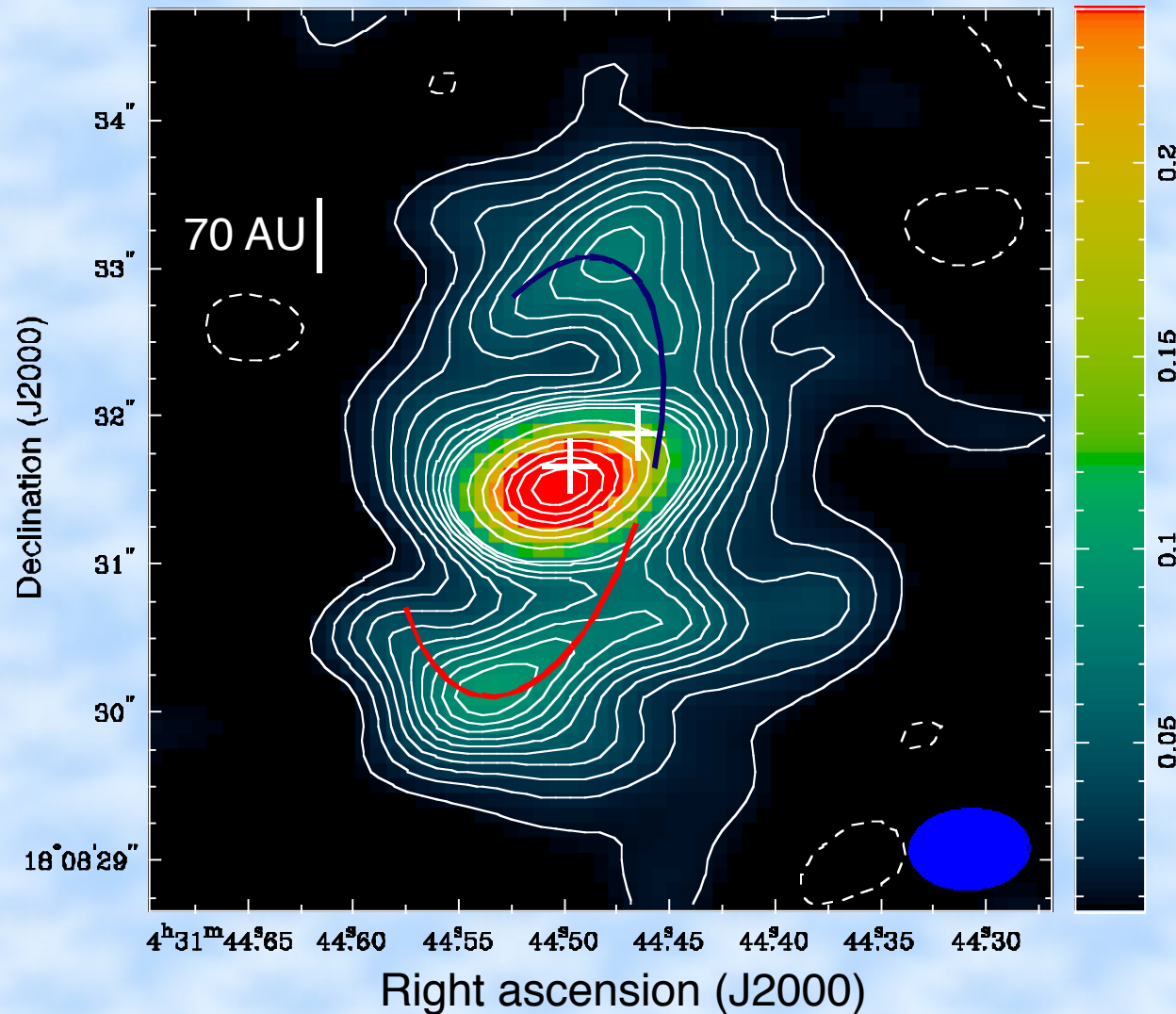
Velocity resolution:  $0.37 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Noise level:  $\sim 3.6 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  (cont.),  
 $\sim 0.078 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$  (line)



SMA at the summit of Mauna Kea, Hawaii

# 3. Results: 0.9-mm Continuum



Compact Component  
associated with Source A  
( $0.9'' \times 0.5''$ ,  $0.7 \text{ Jy}$ )  
+ Protrusion to Source B

+ North and South Comp.

Rim-Brightening  
Circumbinary Disk +  
Circumstellar Disks ?

Total Mass  $\sim 0.046 M_{\text{solar}}$



# 4. Discussion

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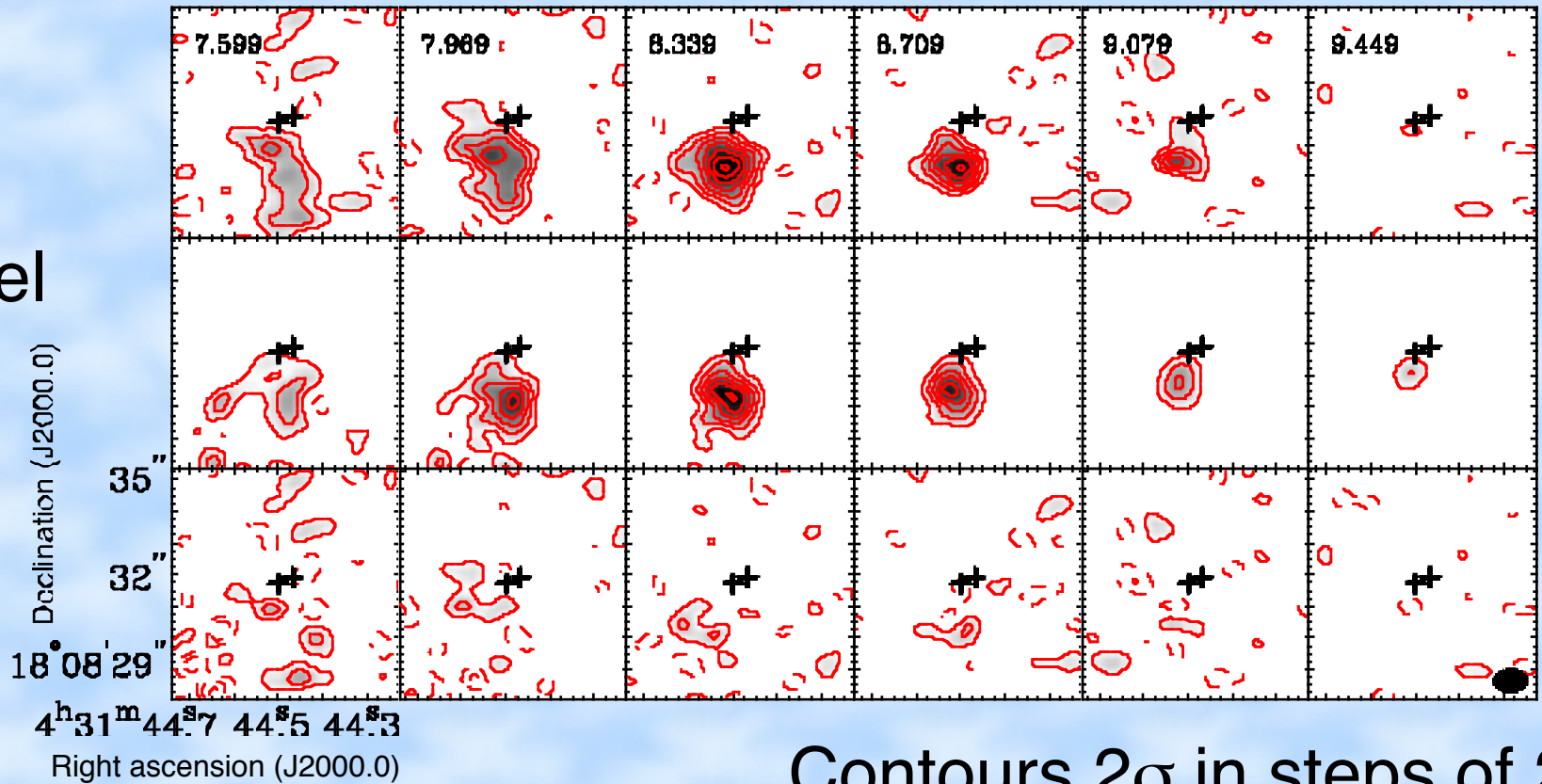
- Compact ( $\sim 100$  AU) dusty condensation at Source A, B  
→ Circumstellar Disks
- Northern + Southern components  
→  $r_{kep} \sim 300$  AU Circumbinary Disk
- The Circumbinary Disk exhibits Keplerian Rotation seen in the  $C^{18}O$  line.
- Outside of the Disk ( $r_{kep} \sim 300$  AU), there is a
- $^{13}CO$  (3-2) &  $C^{18}O$  (3-2) line show clear velocity gradient along the major axis (**SE** - **NW**),  
centered on Source A

# C<sup>18</sup>O Red

Obs

Model

Res

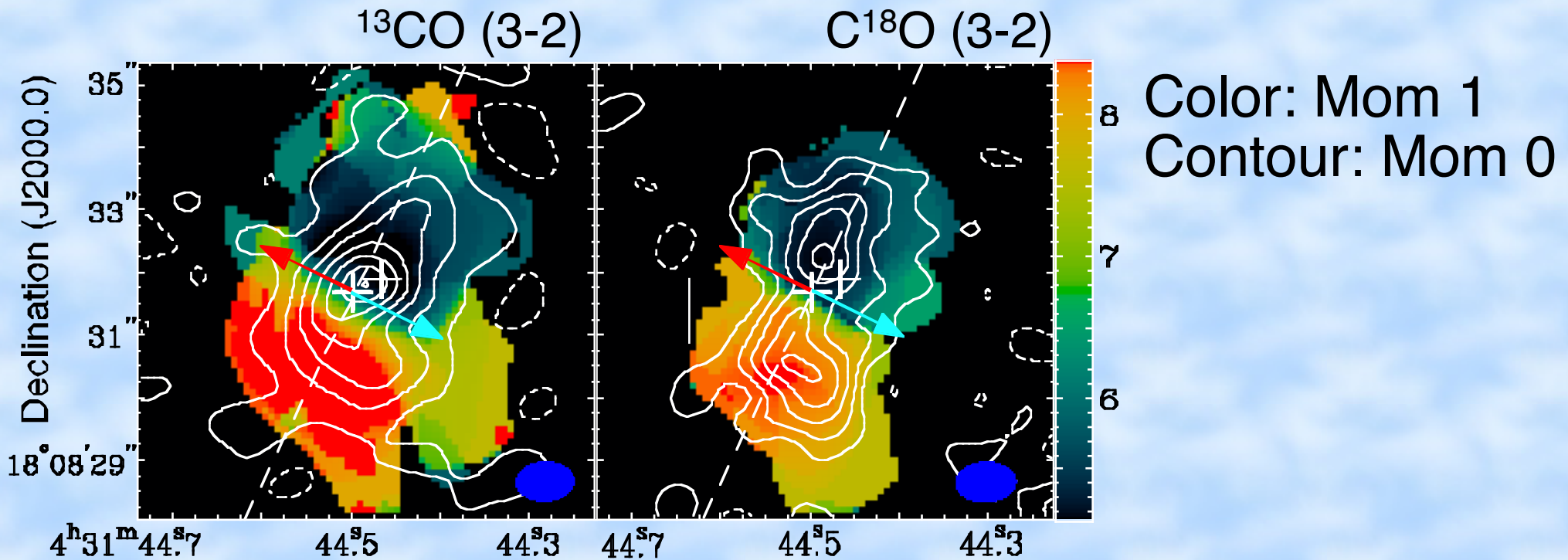


Fitting rms  $\sim 0.14$  Jy beam<sup>-1</sup>  $\gtrsim$  Obs rms 0.12 Jy beam<sup>-1</sup>

For this simple, thin disk model with only three parameters, the C<sup>18</sup>O fitting result is good.



# Moment 0 & 1 Maps

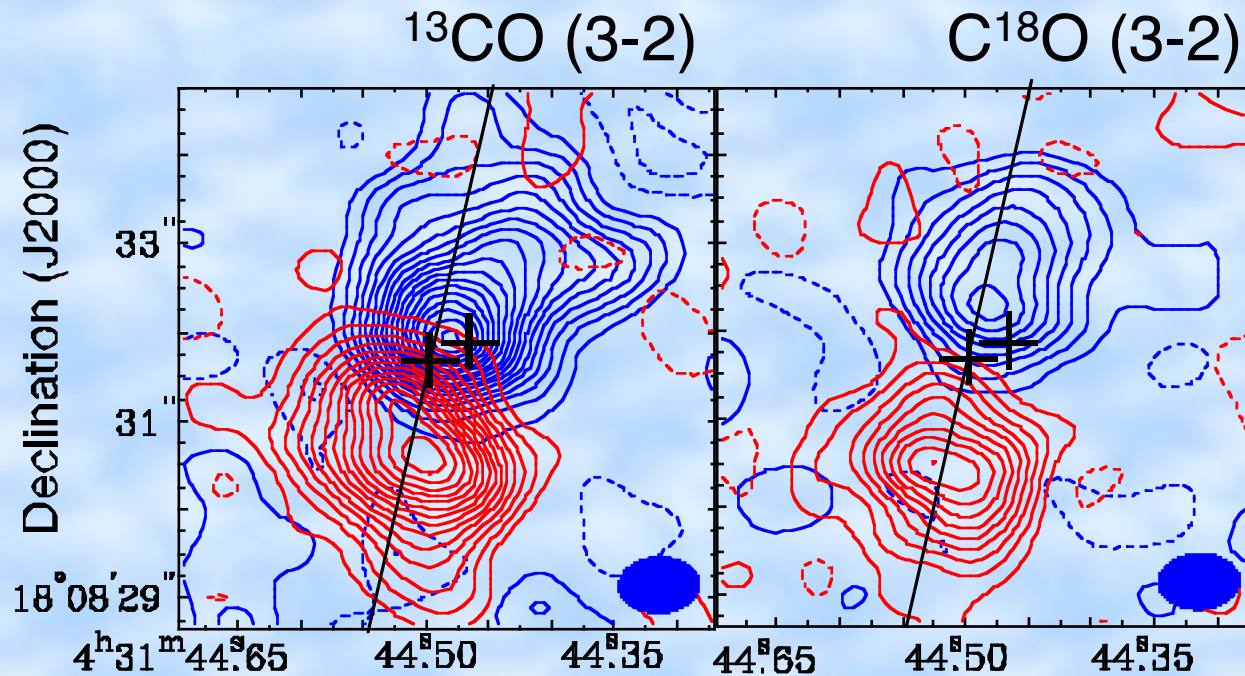


Clear Velocity Gradient along **SE** - **NW**,  
approximately along the major axis

No clear Velocity Gradient along the minor axis ?

The position of Source A appears to be  
the ``center'' ( $V_{\text{sys}} \sim 7 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ )

# Blue- and Redshifted Components



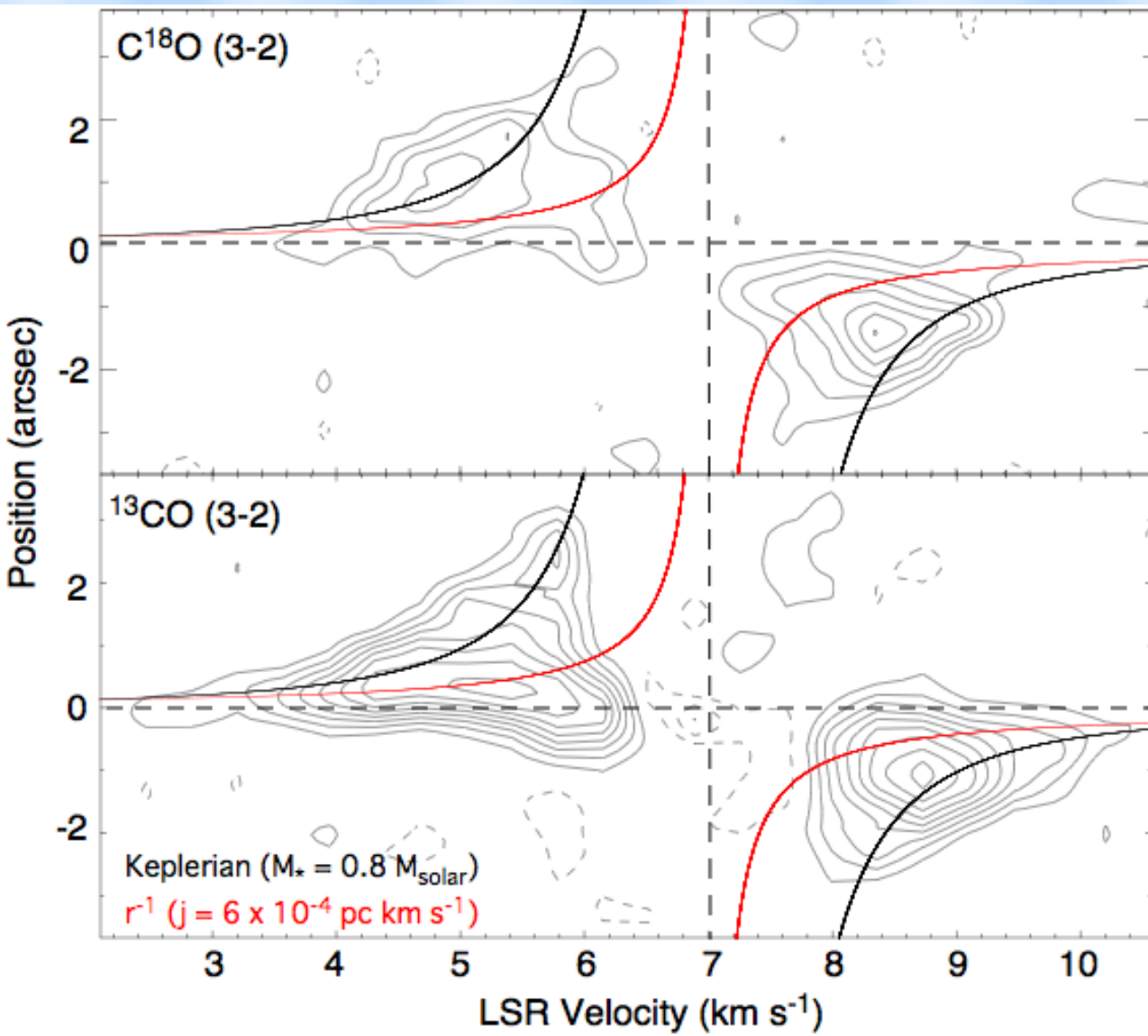
Blue: 4.1 - 6.0 km s<sup>-1</sup>

Red: 7.8 - 9.7 km s<sup>-1</sup>

Blue- and Redshifted Emission at the NW and SE of Source A,  
Aligned along the major axis

Source A is likely the kinematical Center of the Gas Motion.

# Position - Velocity Diagrams along the major axis



High-Velocity Comp.  
Closer to Source A

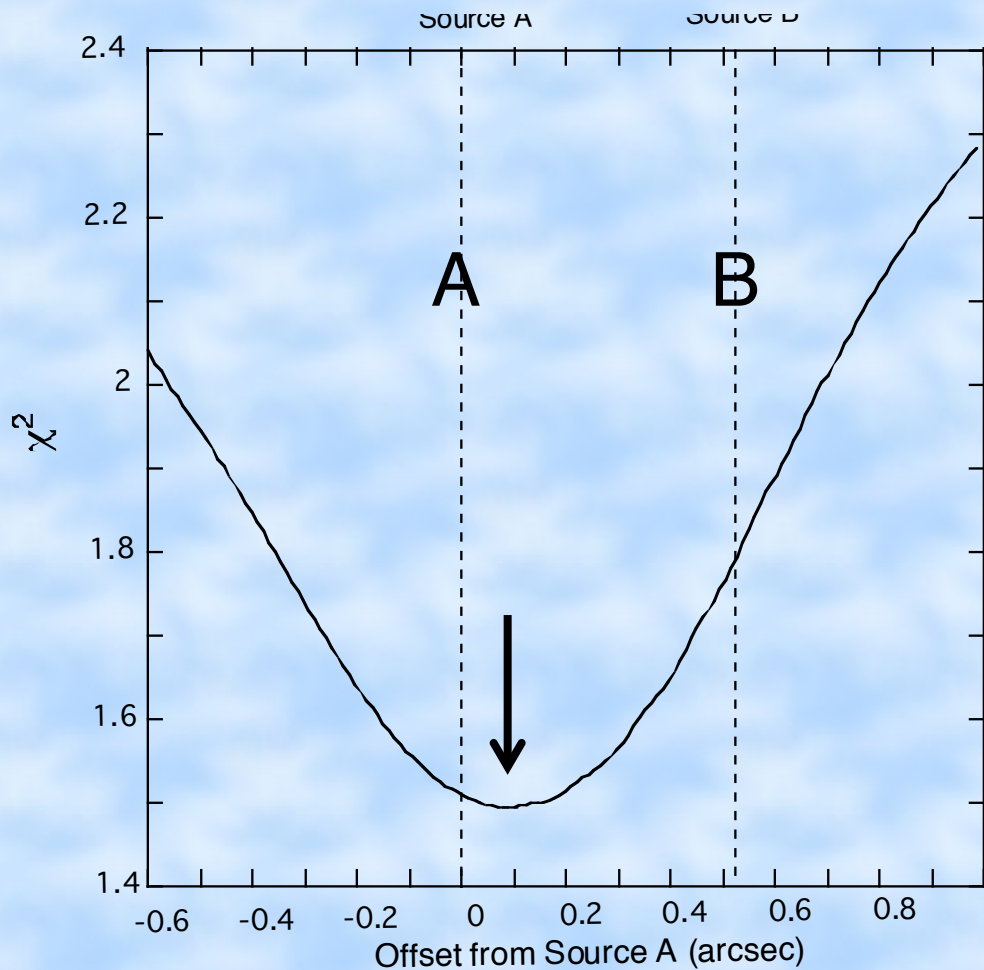
Keplerian Rotation  
better than  $r^{-1}$  rotation?

--> See Next



# Discussion

The presence of the Keplerian-rotating circumbinary disk  
→ Direct method to measure the mass and the ratio of the protobinary.



The location of the Keplerian Rotation Center between Source A and B provides the mass ratio.

Minimum  $\chi^2$  location  
---> 0.08" offset from Source A  
over the binary separation  
of 0.52"

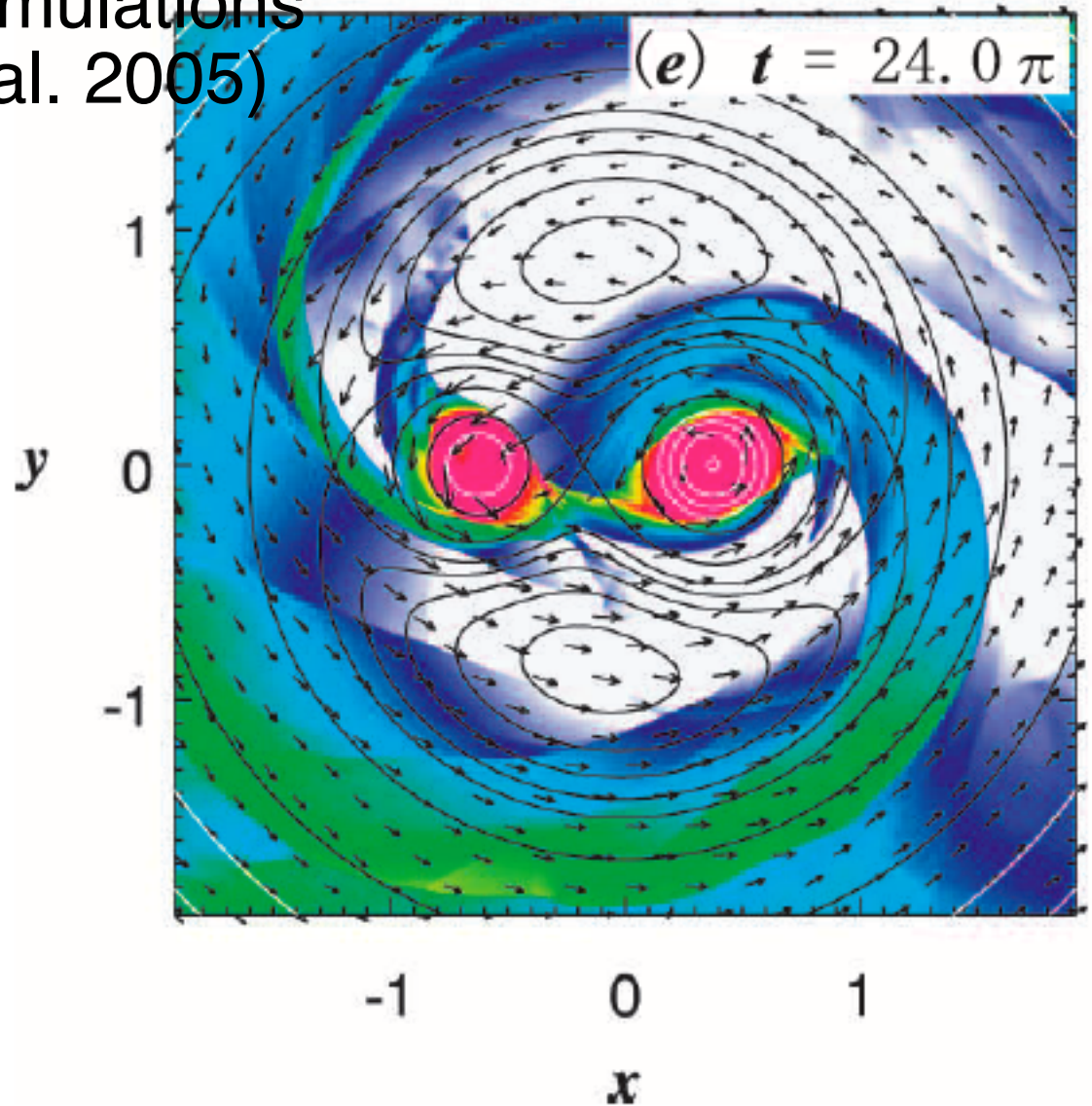
→ Mass Ratio ~5.4  
(Source A = 0.68 Msolar,  
Source B = 0.13 Msolar)

# Different Mass of the Protobinary companions ?

Put stringent constraint on the theory of binary formation

High-resolution numerical simulations of binary accretion (Ochi et al. 2005)

→ The primary accretes more than the secondary, regardless of the specific angular momentum of the initial infalling envelope.



Our obs. consistent ??









# 5. Discussion

The presence of the Keplerian rotating circumbinary disk  
--> Direct method to measure the mass of the protobinary.

Furthermore, the rotation center is close to Source A, not B  
→ *Source A is more massive than Source B ??*  
→ *(or, Source B is not a protostar ??)*

We could measure both the mass and mass ratio of the protobinary.

In L1551 NE, the central mass  $\sim 0.8 M_{\text{solar}}$







## 2. Sub-arcsecond SMA Observations of L1551 NE

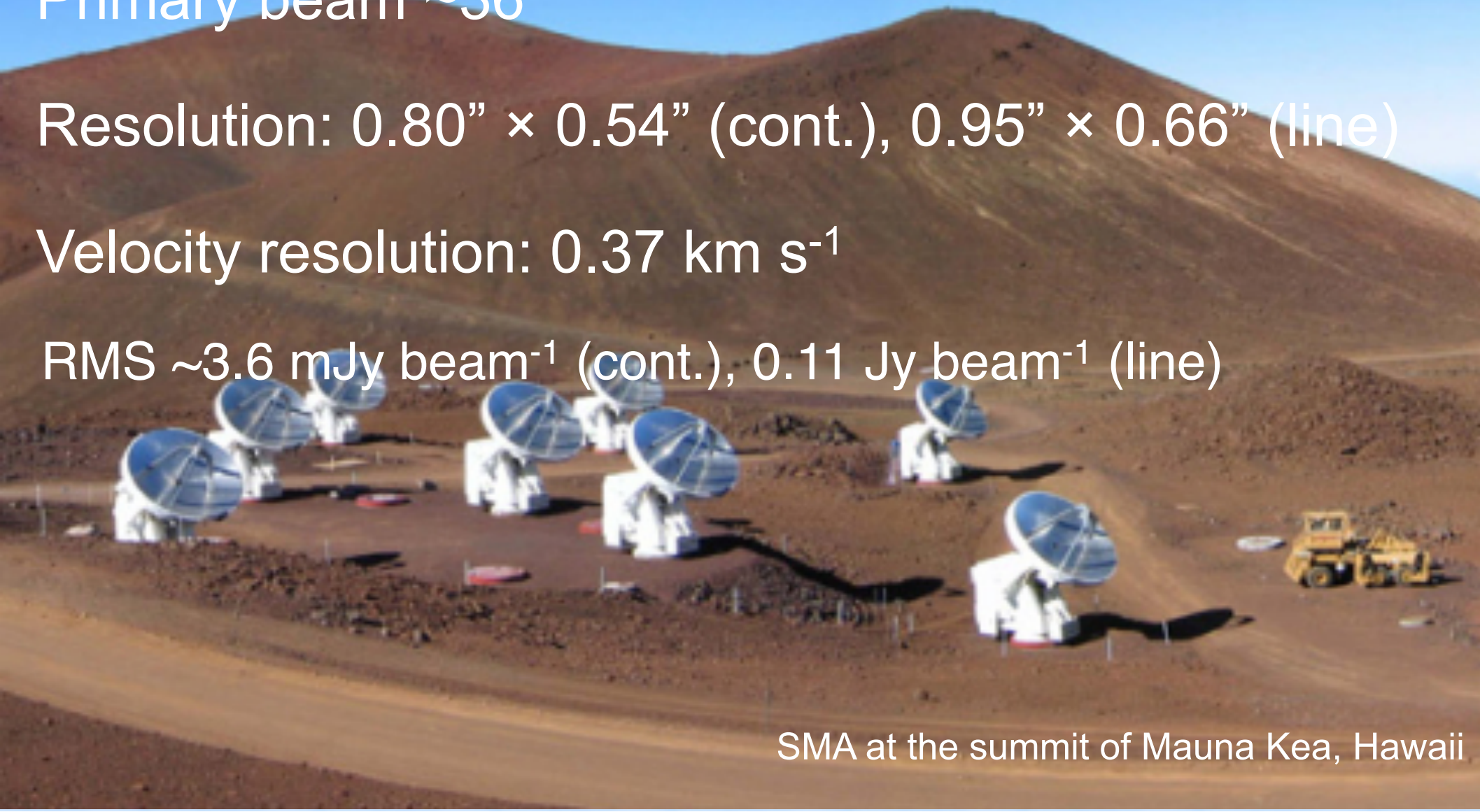
$^{13}\text{CO}$  (3-2; 330.588 GHz),  
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Primary beam  $\sim 36''$

Resolution:  $0.80'' \times 0.54''$  (cont.),  $0.95'' \times 0.66''$  (line)

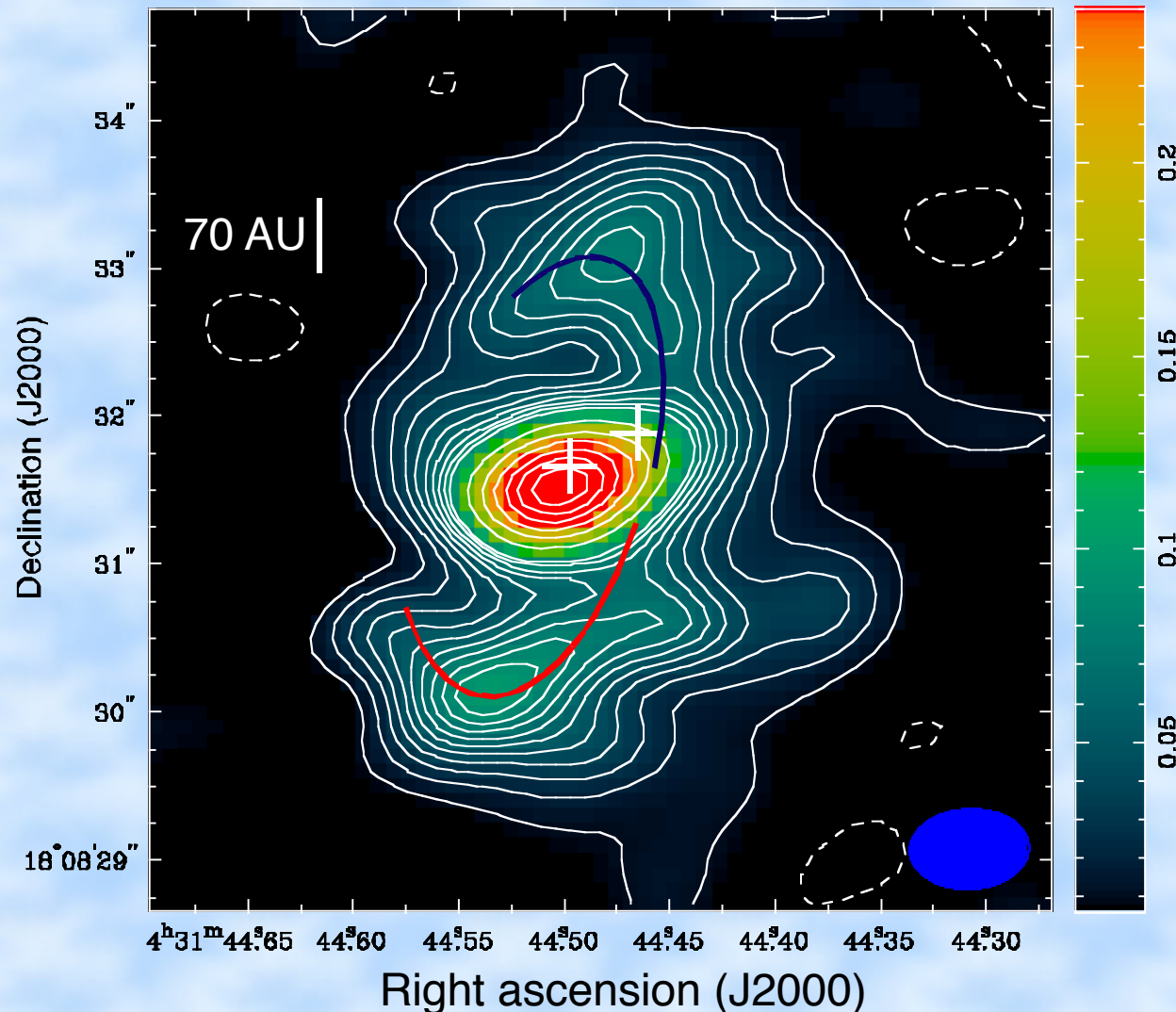
Velocity resolution:  $0.37 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

RMS  $\sim 3.6 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  (cont.),  $0.11 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$  (line)



SMA at the summit of Mauna Kea, Hawaii

# 3. Results: 0.9-mm Continuum



Compact Component associated with Source A (0.9" x 0.5", 0.7 Jy)

+ North and South Comp.

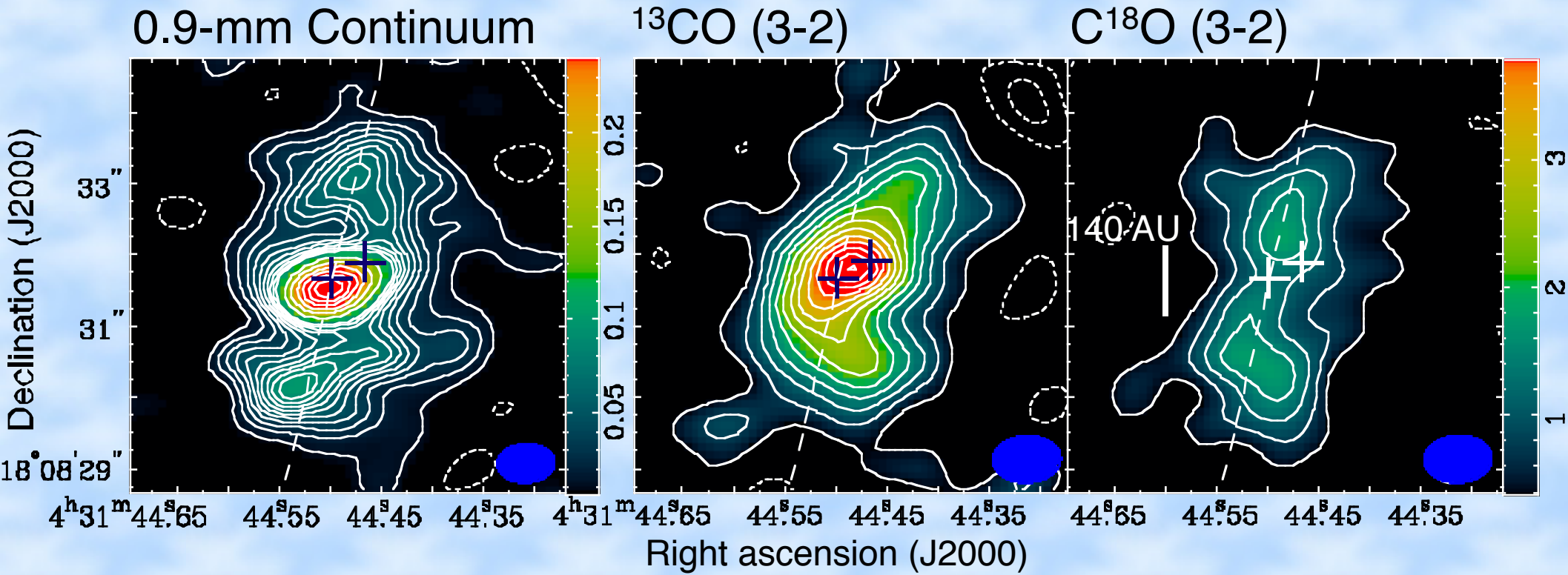
Rim-Brightening Circumbinary Disk + Circumstellar Disk at A ?

Total Mass  $\sim 0.046 M_{\text{solar}}$

No compact component associated with Source B ?  
--> Different Properties between Source A and B, Evolution ??



# Moment 0 Maps



~500 AU Scale Elongated Features along the NW to SE Direction  
(P.A. ~ 167 deg: Dashed Lines), approximately centered on Source A

Molecular-Line Distributions Different from the Continuum  
--> Abundance Variation, Background Dust-cont. Emission ?



# 4. Analysis

In order to quantitatively understand the Gas Motion in the Circumbinary Disk, we performed Model Disk Fitting to the observed Image Cubes.

Model: Geometrically-thin, Keplerian Rotating Disk



$\chi^2$  Fitting

Obs: C<sup>18</sup>O (3-2), <sup>13</sup>CO (3-2) Image Cube  
(excluding the two channels around  $V_{\text{sys}} = 7 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ ,  
where the bulk of the emission “resolved out”)

# Model Parameters

## Fitting Parameters

Central Mass:  $M_*$ , Disk Inclination:  $i$ , Disk Position Angle:  $\theta$

## Fixed, Assumed Parameters

Model Disk Mom 0 Image = Observed Mom 0 Image  
(We do not ``model'' the 2-D emission Distribution)

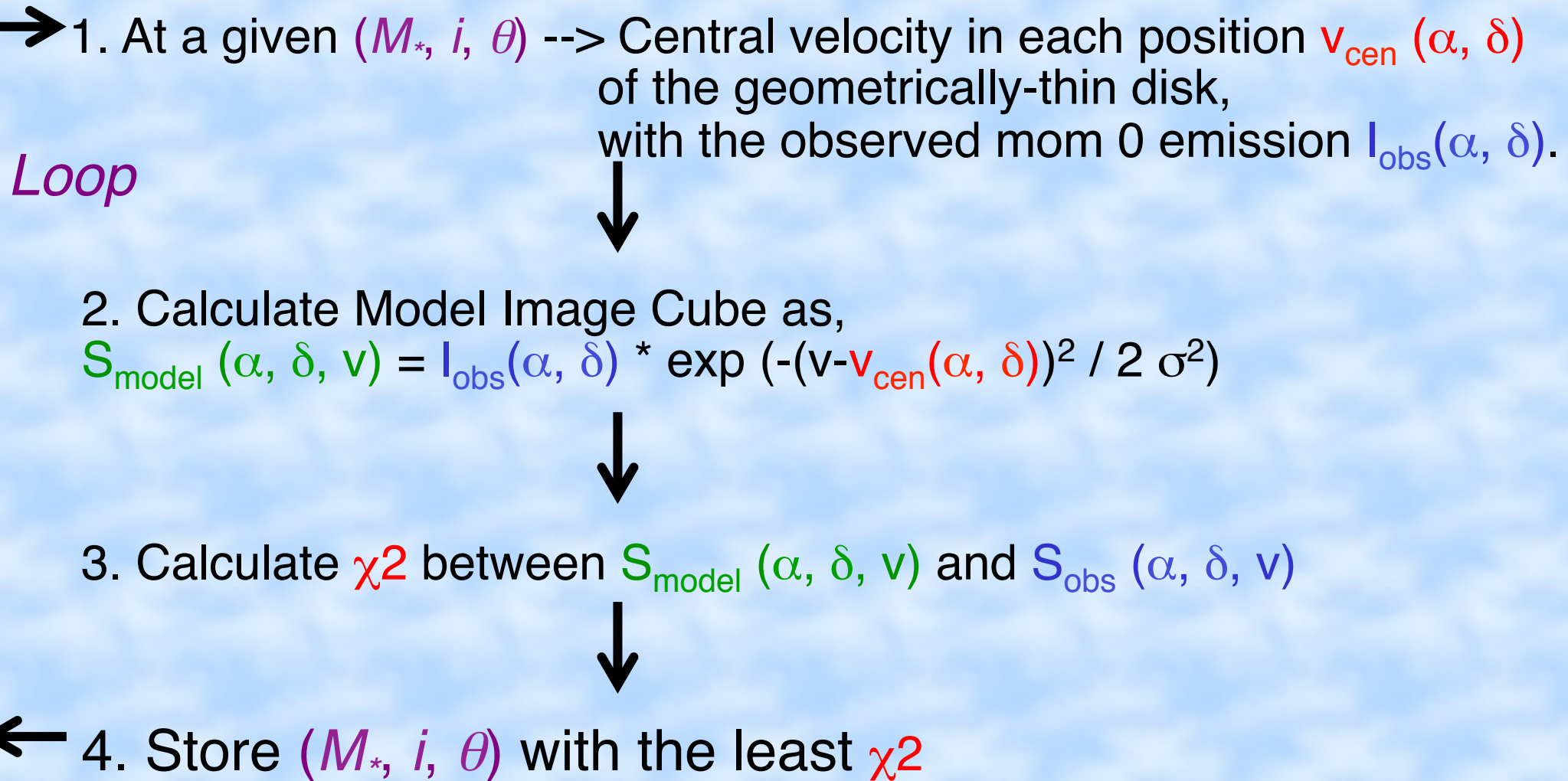
Dynamical Center = Position of Source A

$V_{\text{sys}} = 7 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Internal Gas Dispersion:  $\sigma = 0.4 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

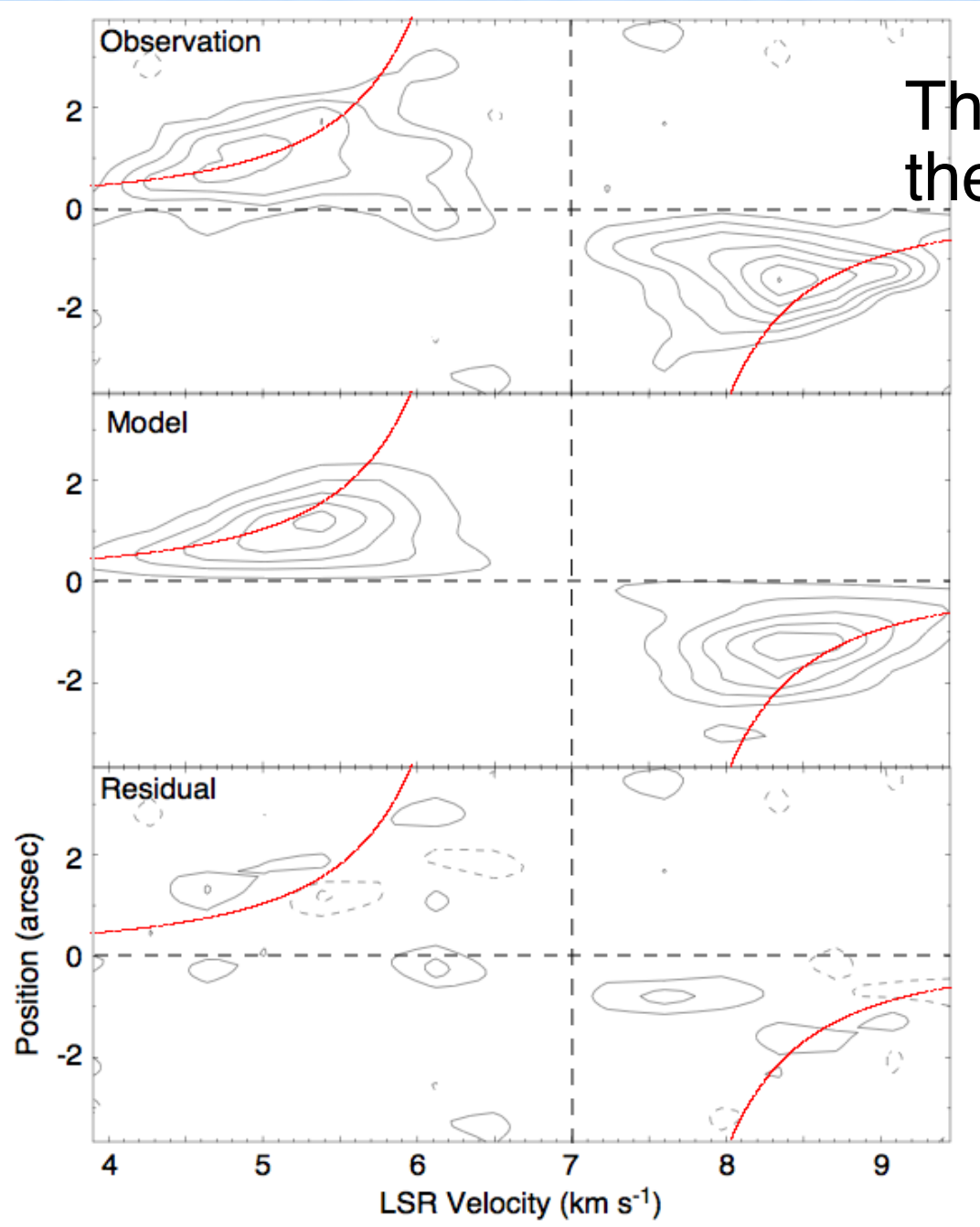
Distance = 140 pc

# Fitting Procedure



# C<sup>18</sup>O 3-2 P-V Fitting

The same model can reproduce the observed P-V.

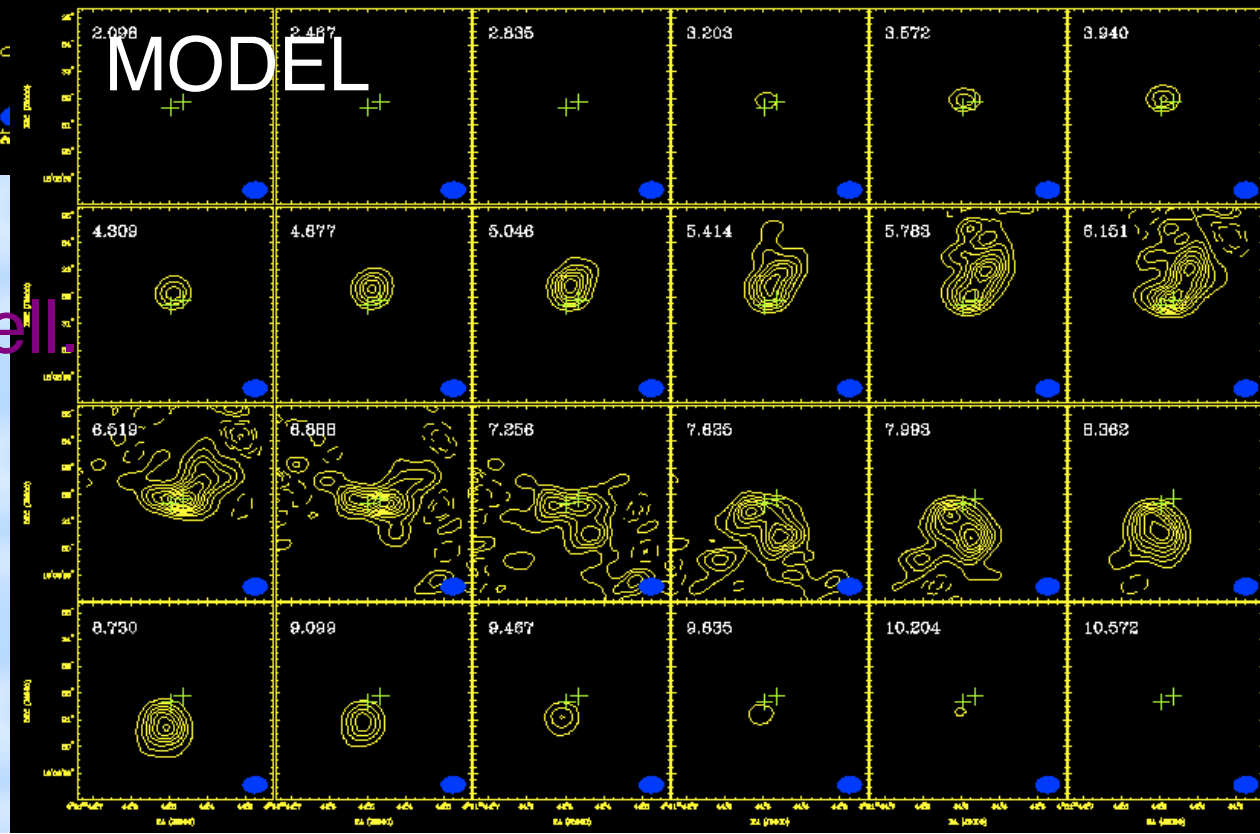
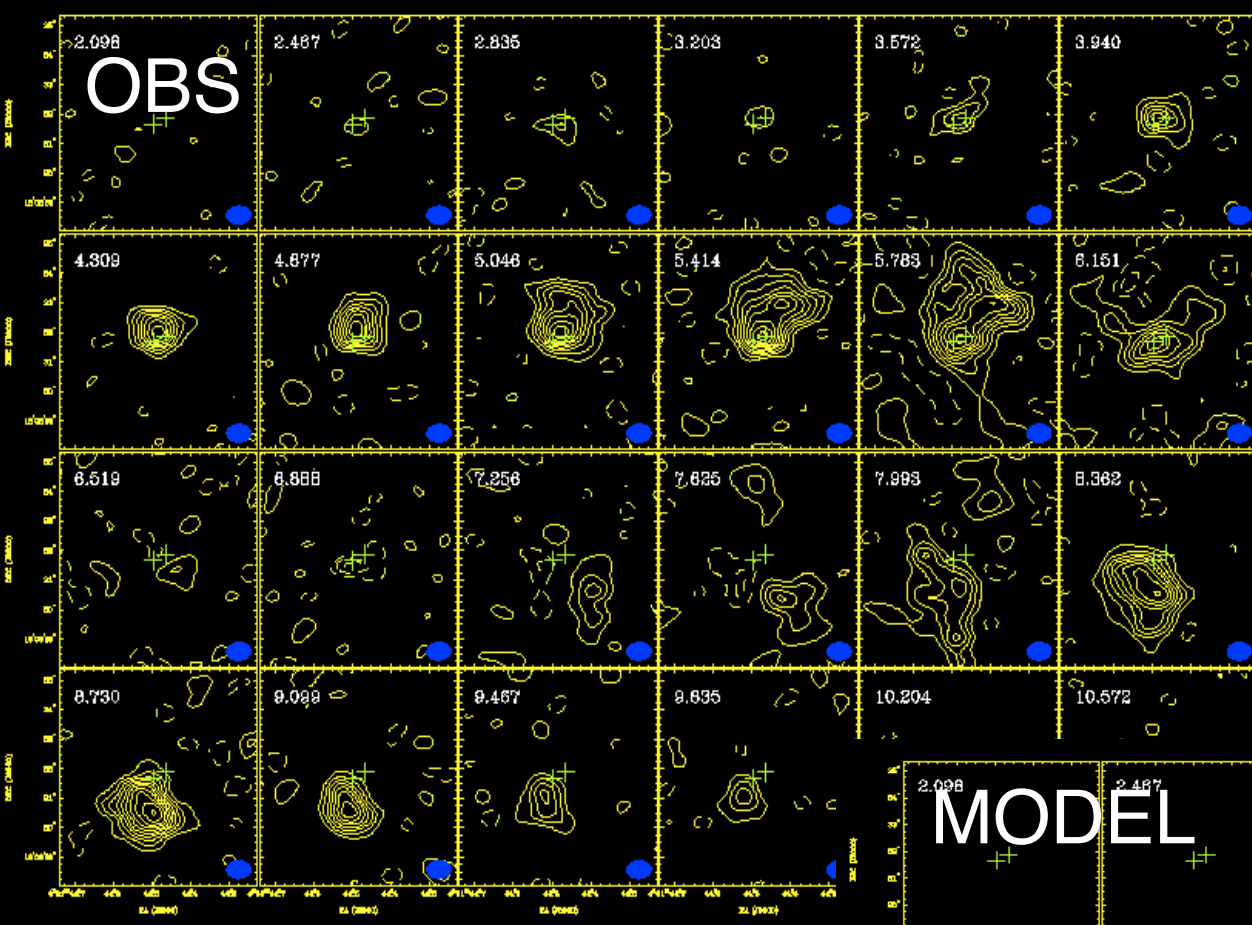




# $^{13}\text{CO}$ Fitting

The parameters from  $\text{C}^{18}\text{O}$  reproduce the overall velocity feature, but significant residuals.

Independent fitting  
--> still significant res.



$^{13}\text{CO}$  cannot be fitted with the thin Kep disk well.

Effect of Outflow ?  
Thickness of the disk ?  
More missing Flux ?

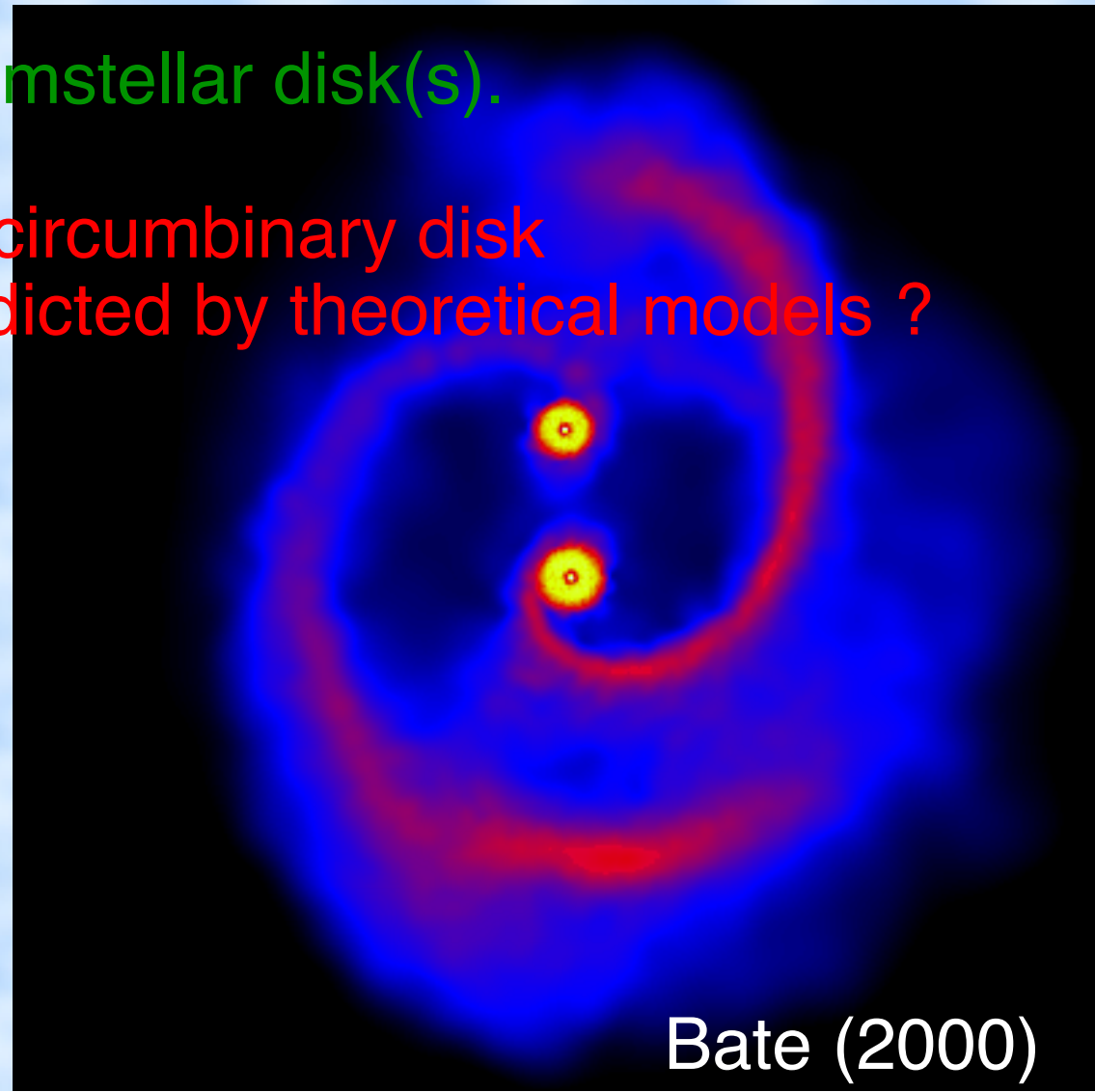
# What about the inner part ?

The presence of the Kep. Circumbinary Disk hinders infall ??  
<--> collimated jet, outflow

There may be accreting circumstellar disk(s).

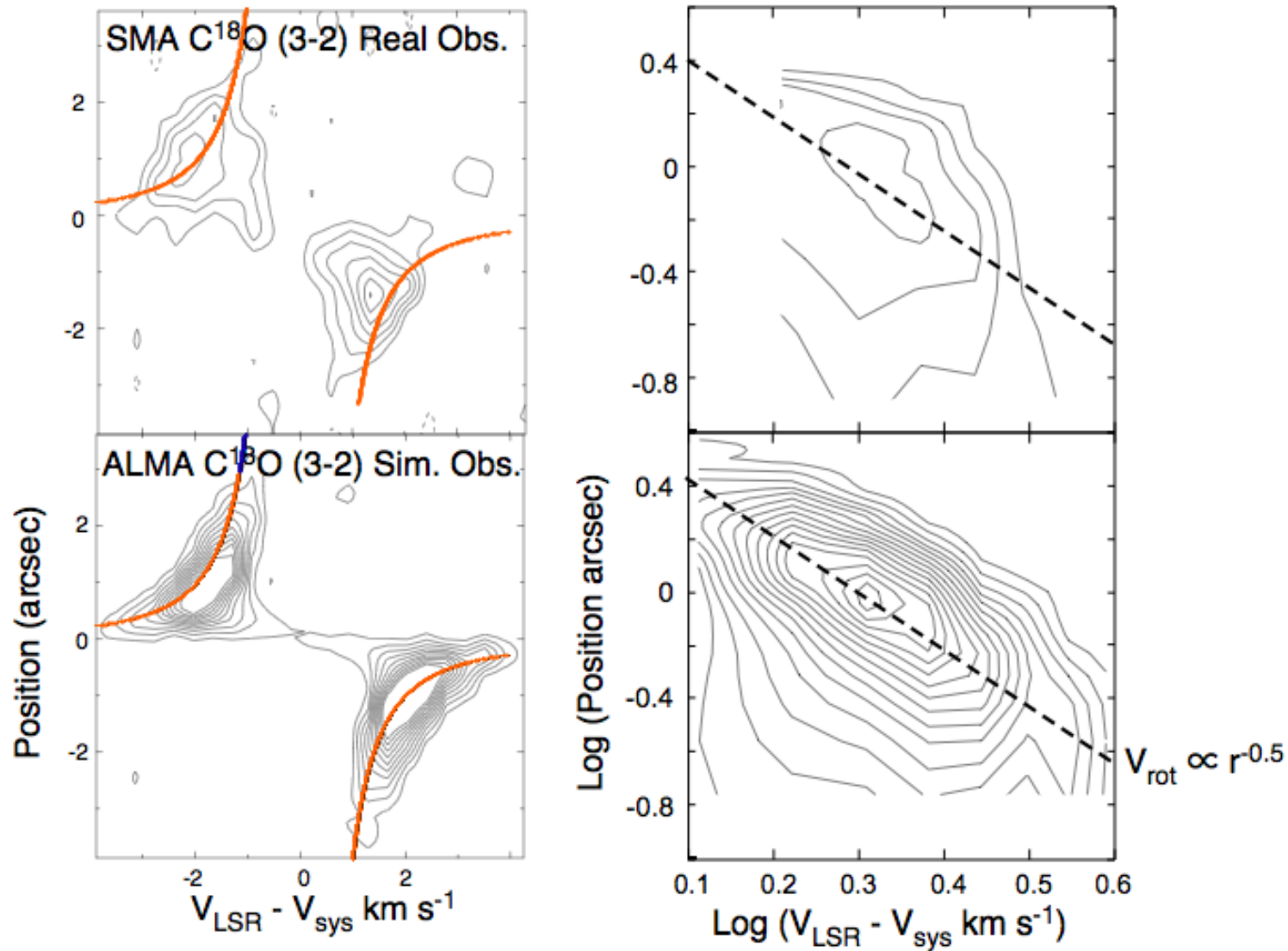
Any gas trail streaming from circumbinary disk to circumstellar disks, as predicted by theoretical models ?

High-resolution ALMA  
(not cycle 0) obs.



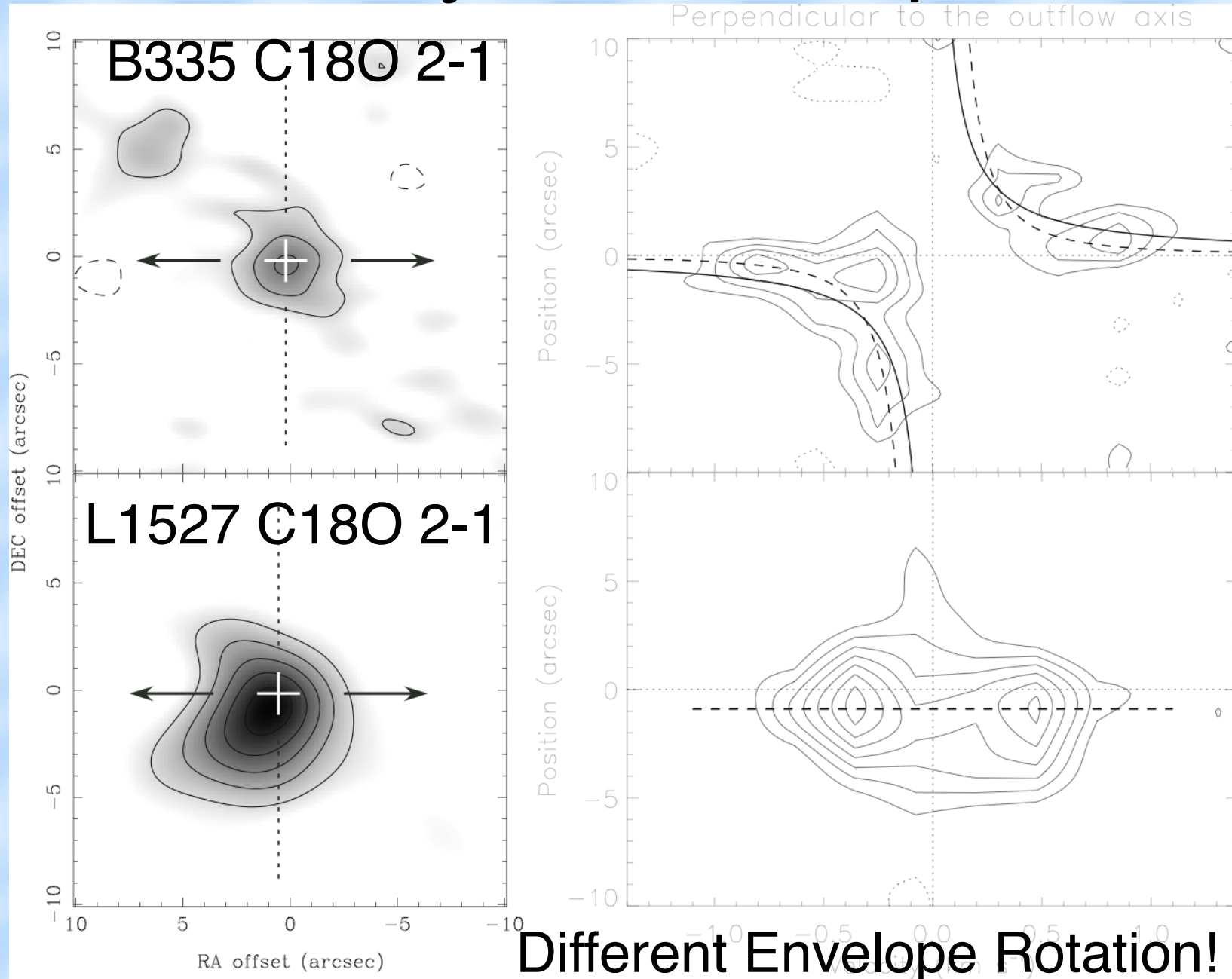
Bate (2000)

# ALMA Observations



ALMA Observations should identify the Keplerian Disk Unambiguously!

# SMA Survey for Envelope Rotation



**Different Envelope Rotation!**





# Analyses 1: CO Depletion ?

$^{13}\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{C}^{18}\text{O}$  (3-2) Distribution do not follow Dust Distribution.  
---> Molecular Abundance Variation ? Optical Depth ?

$$T_B^{13\text{CO}} = ( J_{v13\text{CO}} (T_{\text{ex}}) - J_{v13\text{CO}} (T_{\text{bg}}) ) (1 - \exp (-X_{13\text{CO}} / X_{\text{C}18\text{O}} \tau_{\text{C}18\text{O}}) )$$

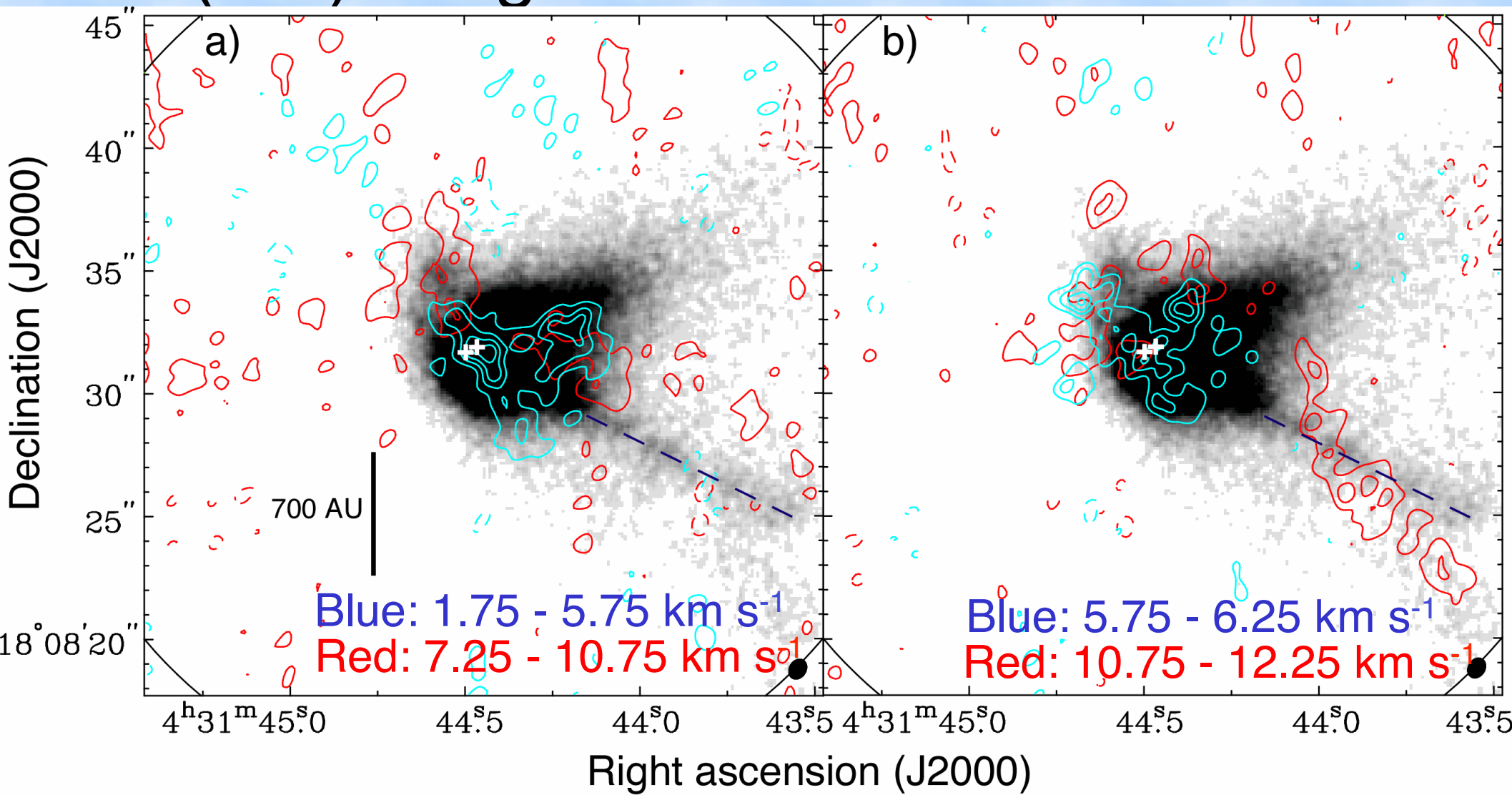
$$T_B^{\text{C}18\text{O}} = ( J_{v\text{C}18\text{O}} (T_{\text{ex}}) - J_{v\text{C}18\text{O}} (T_{\text{bg}}) ) (1 - \exp (-\tau_{\text{C}18\text{O}}) )$$

--> Dust Emission TB !!

Isotopic lines  $T_{\text{ex}}$ ,  $\tau$ , column



# CO (3-2) images on SUBARU FeI + cont.



“Fan-shaped” blueshifted CO emission  
centered on Source B  
+ weak red counterpart

“Collimated” blueshifted outflow  
centered on Source A  
+ red counterpart

Different blue, red direction, and morphology between Source A and B



# 4. Discussion

## Source A

Compact 0.8-mm continuum, ``collimated'' outflow, & FeI jet

## Source B

No compact continuum but extended envelope,

``fan-shaped'' outflow, & Reflection Nebula

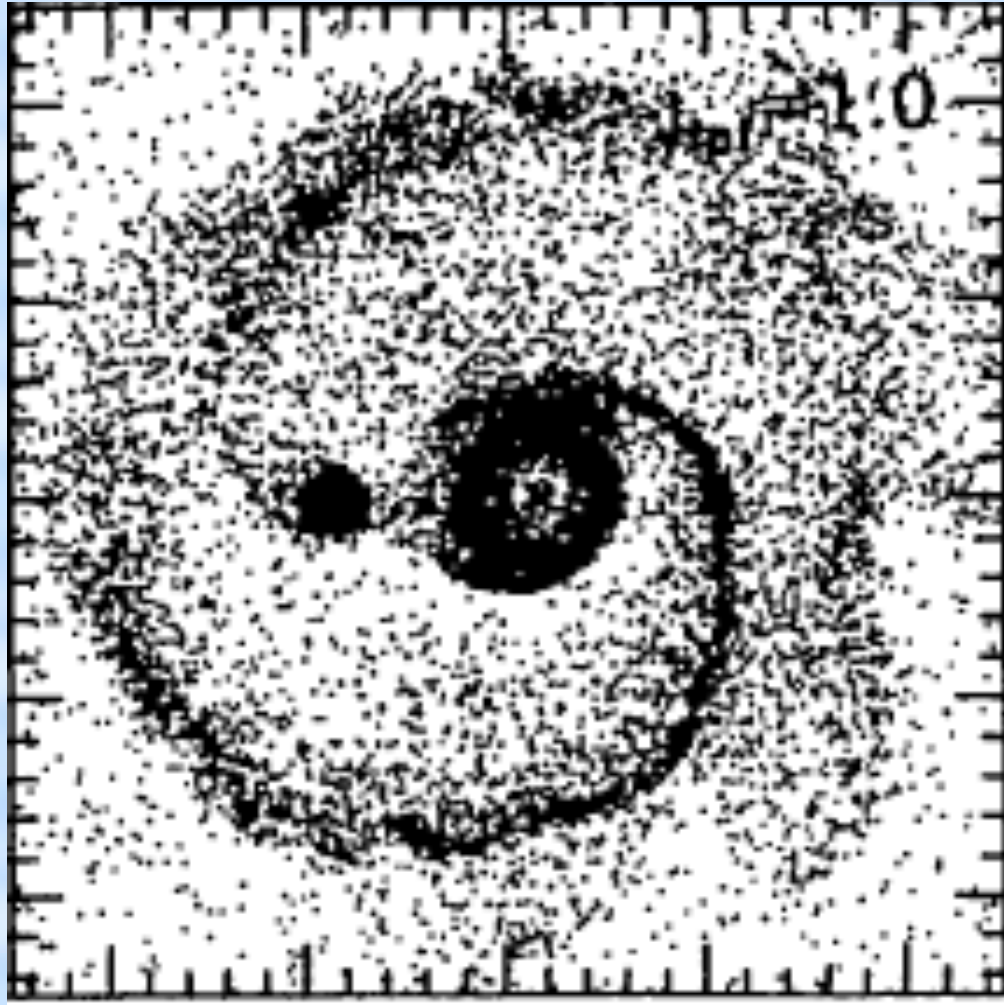
Source A is younger than Source B ??

Different evolutionary stages in the close ( $\sim 70$  AU) binary system ??

# Models of Binary Formation

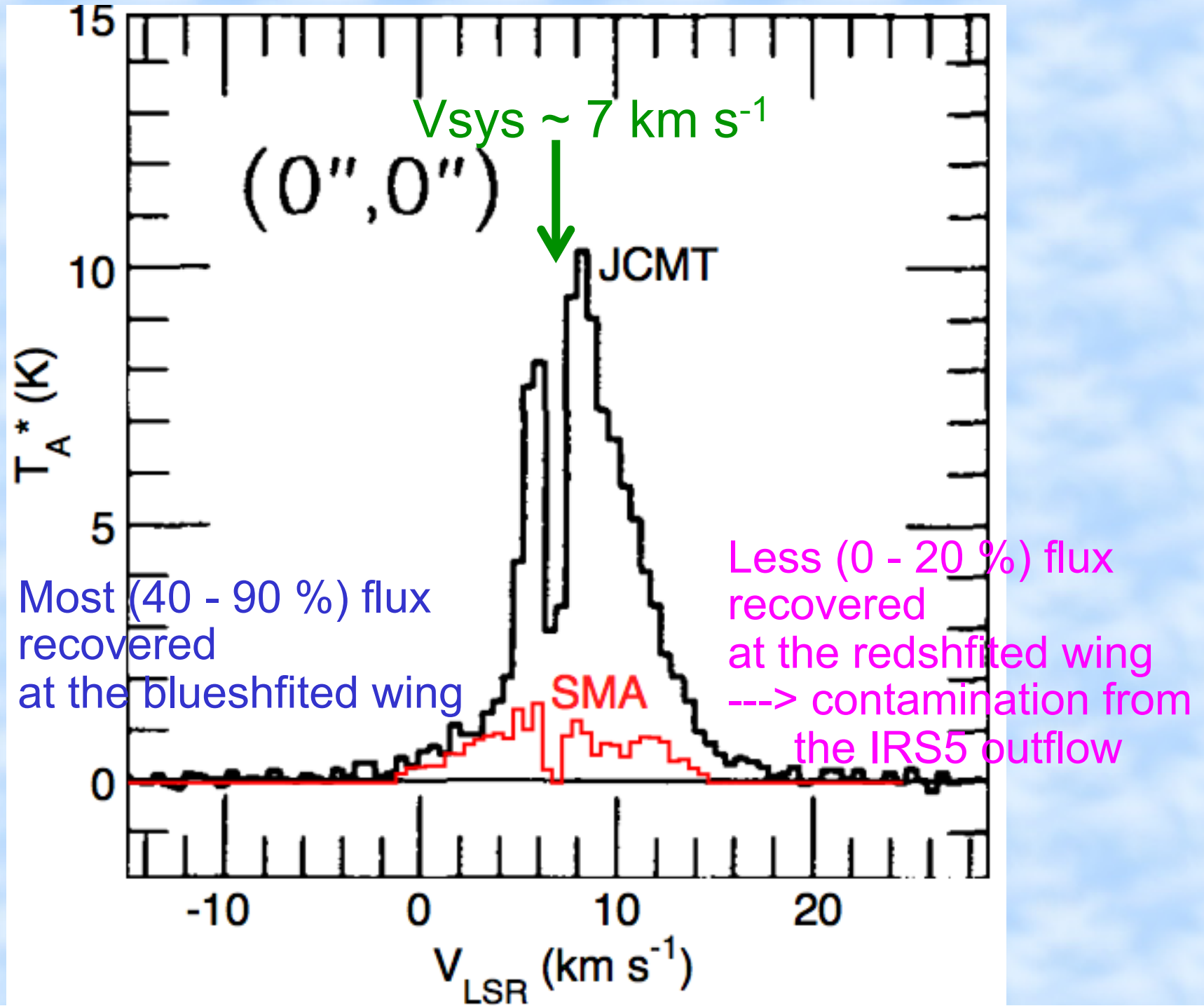
--> Primary accretes more than secondary ?

(Bate & Bonnell 1997, Ochi et al. 2005)



ALMA + SUBARU can reveal the binary formation!

# CO (3-2) spectrum



# Estimated Outflow Properties

Outflow	Extent (AU)	Maximum Velocity ( $\text{km s}^{-1}$ )	Dynamical Time (year)	Mass ( $10^{-5} M_{\odot}$ )	Momentum ( $10^{-4} M_{\odot} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ )	Momentum Flux ( $10^{-7} M_{\odot} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ )
Outflow B (blue)	800	9.3	1400	9.6	5.4	8.7
Outflow B (red)	1100	8.4	5500	11.7	4.0	4.1
Jet A (blue)	700	1.9	1800	1.8	0.3	0.2
Jet A (red)	2700	10.2	2000	4.7	4.3	3.0



## 2. Sub-arcsecond SMA Observations of L1551 NE

CO (3-2; 345.796 GHz) and 0.8-mm continuum

Primary beam  $\sim 36''$

Resolution:  $0.77'' \times 0.55''$  (cont.),  $0.83'' \times 0.65''$  (line)

Velocity resolution:  $0.176 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

Rms noise level:  $12 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  (cont.),  
 $0.38 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1} / 0.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$  (line)

SMA at the summit of Mauna Kea, Hawaii







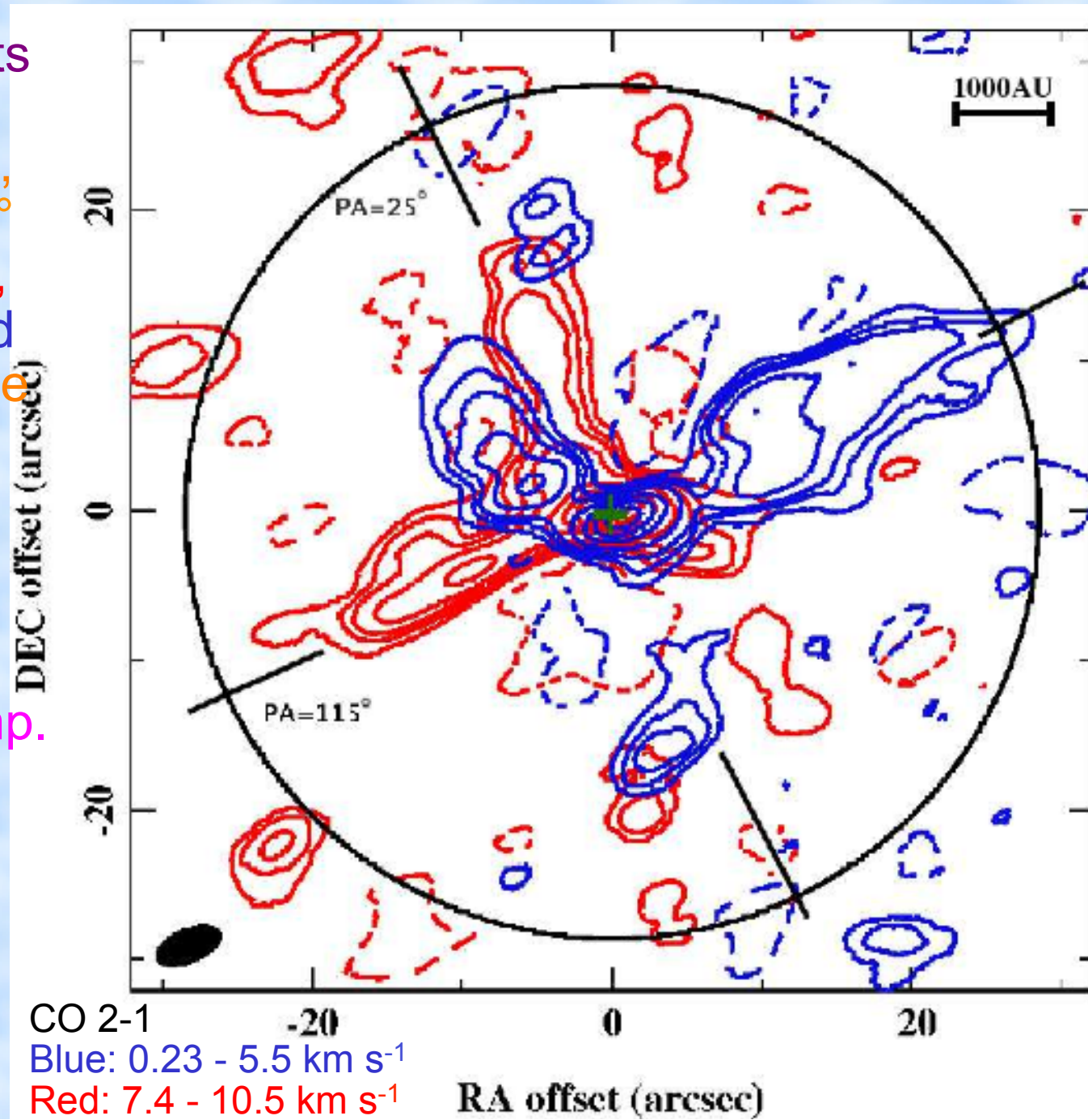
# 3. Results & Discussion: Mom 0 Map

Three outflow components

1. X-shaped outflow shell,  
Symmetric axis P.A.  $\sim 70^\circ$   
Eastern part Redshifted,  
Western part Blueshifted  
--> Base of the large-scale  
outflow

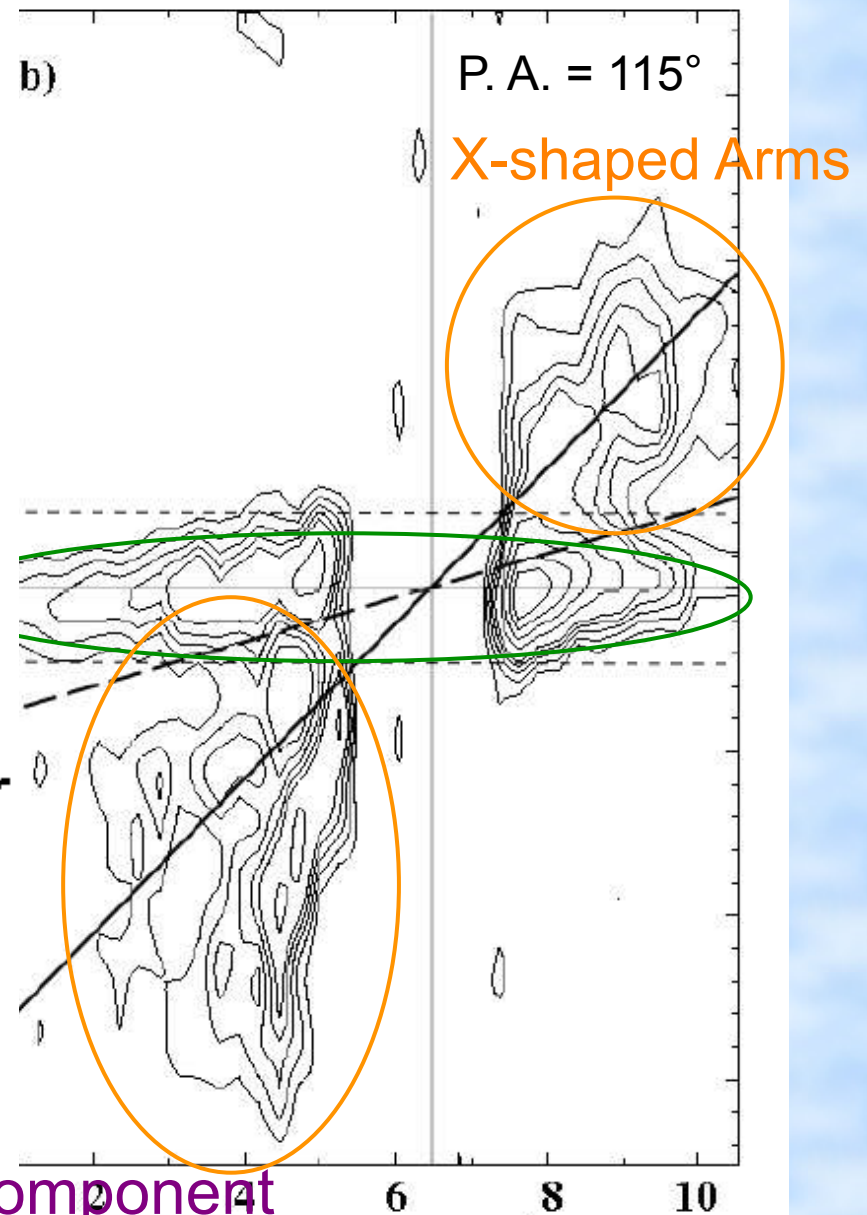
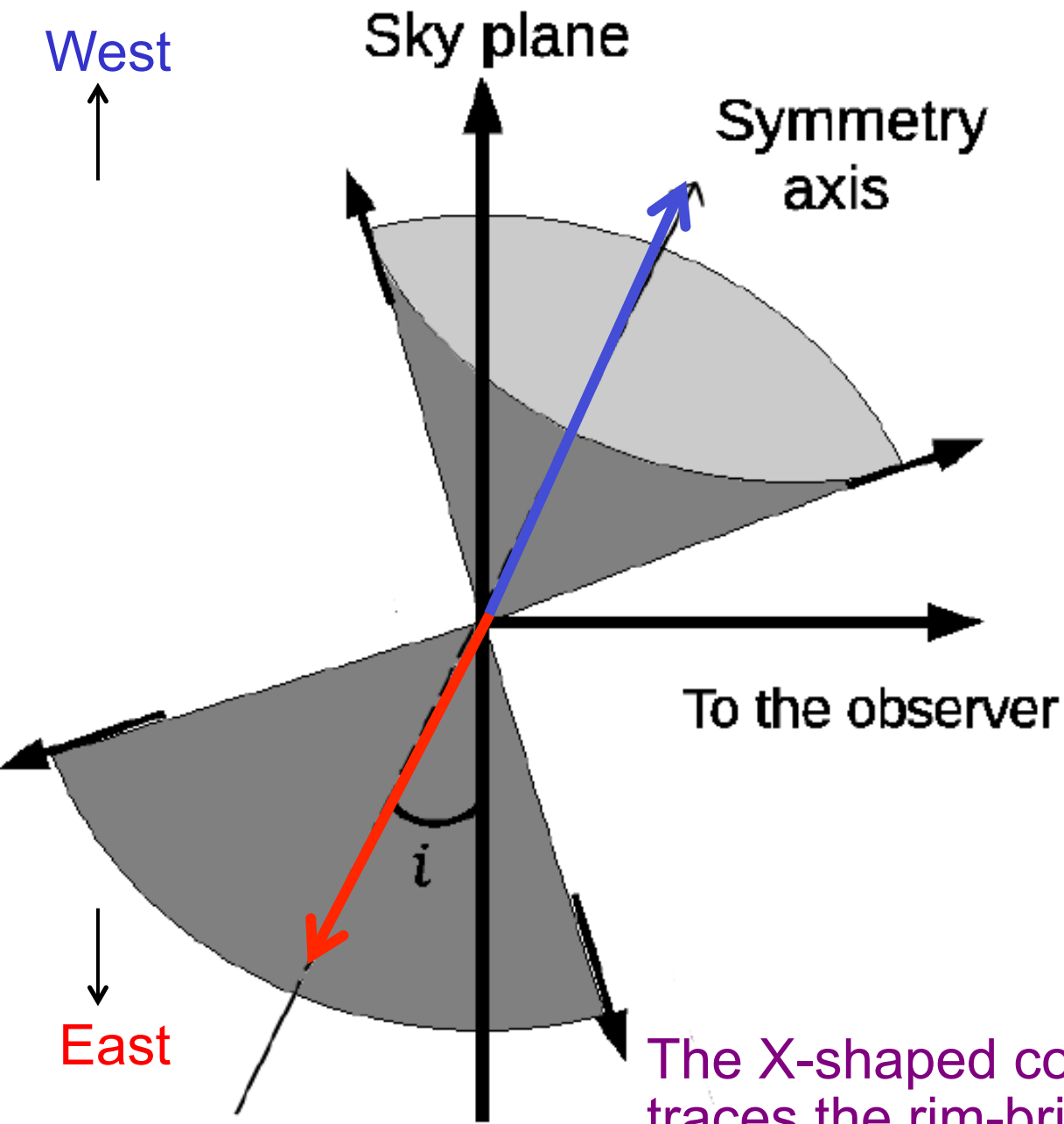
2. Collimated, winding  
Component,  
Opposite blue-red to  
that of the X-shaped comp.

3. Central compact  
Component, high-vel.



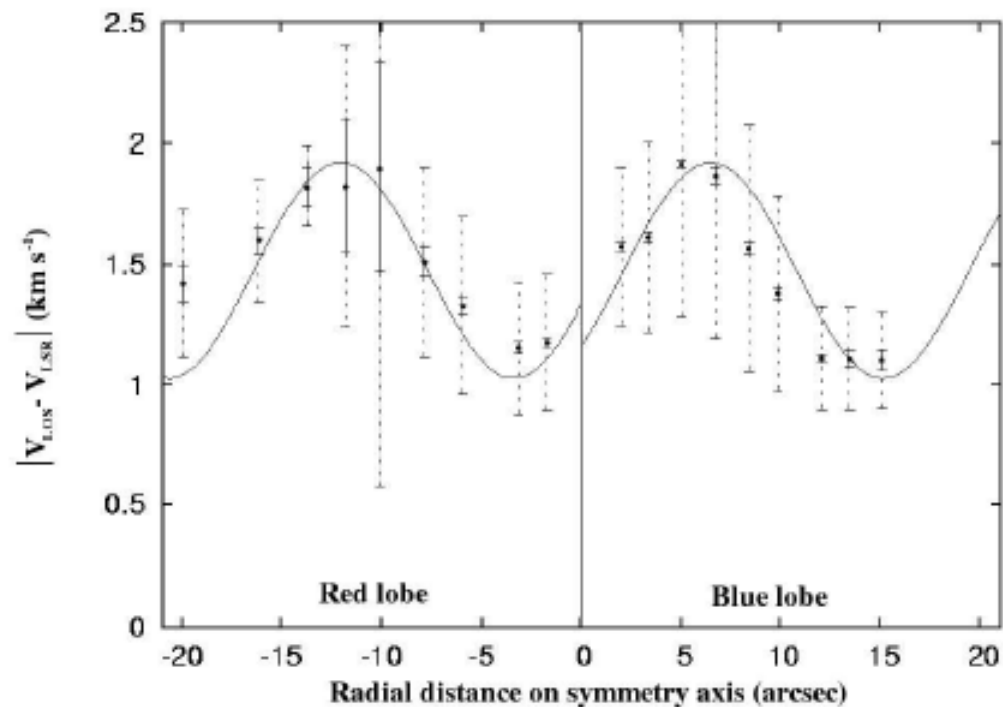
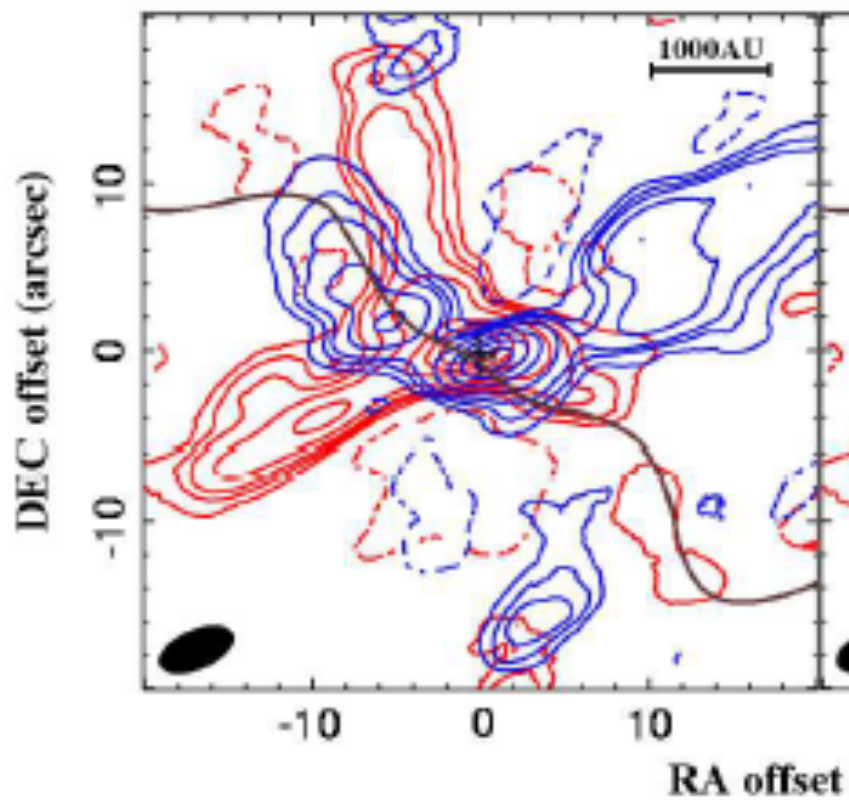


# Position - Velocity diagrams along the X-shaped arms



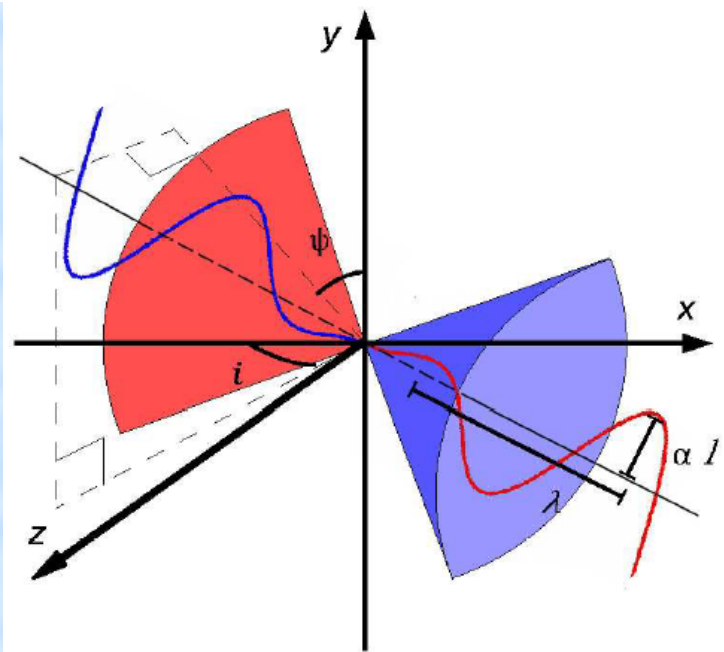
The X-shaped component traces the rim-brightened cone shell

# Model of the winding outflow component



## Precessing jet model

- Precessing period  $\sim 135$  year
- Precessing angle  $\sim 10^\circ$
- Jet velocity  $\sim 100 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
- Inclination angle  $30^\circ$
- Position angle  $57^\circ$



# The Origin of the winding outflow ?

--> It could be the third protostellar component.

The winding component has different blue-red sense

--> consistent with the different disk orientation of the third component

Tidal interaction between the two main protostars and the third component can cause the precession of the third disk.

Main northern component 0.45 M, third one 0.1 M, separation 13 AU

---> orbital period ~ 63 year

c.f. the observed precession period of the winding outflow is ~ 135 year  
(consistent with the model by Bate et al. 2000)

# Summary

**Three distinct outflow components were found in L1551 IRS5:**

- 1) X-shaped outflow cavity ---> Base of the large-scale outflow, driven by the main protostellar binary of L1551 IRS5**
- 2) winding outflow  
---> The third protostar could be the driving source.**
- 3) central high-velocity compact component.**

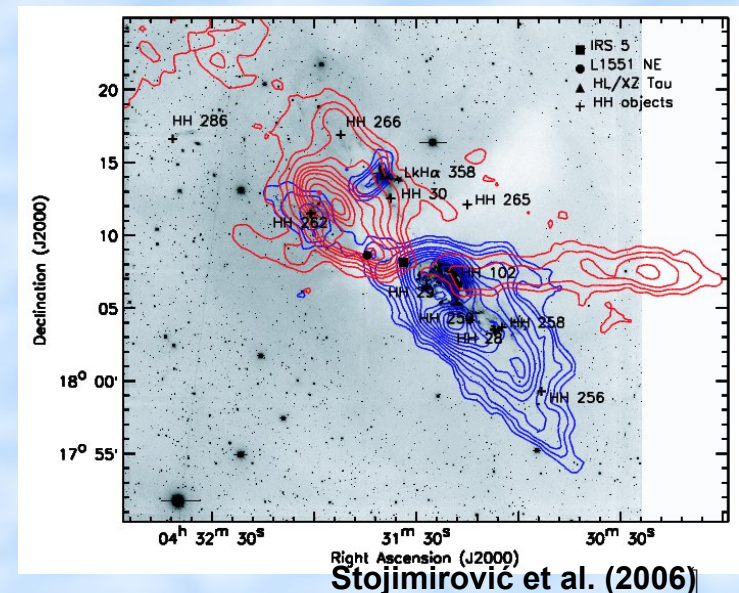
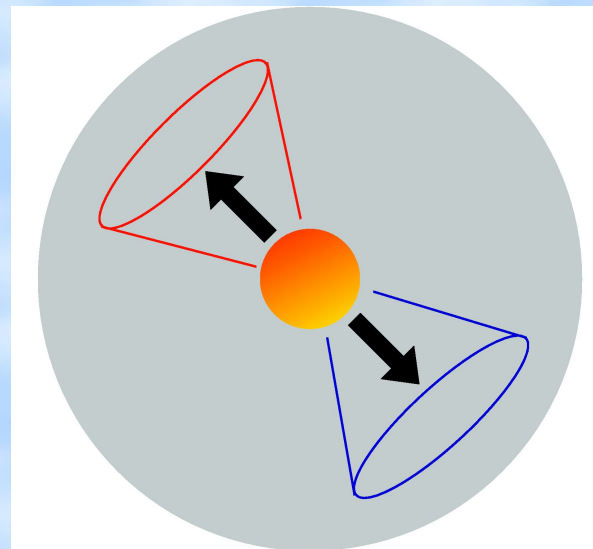
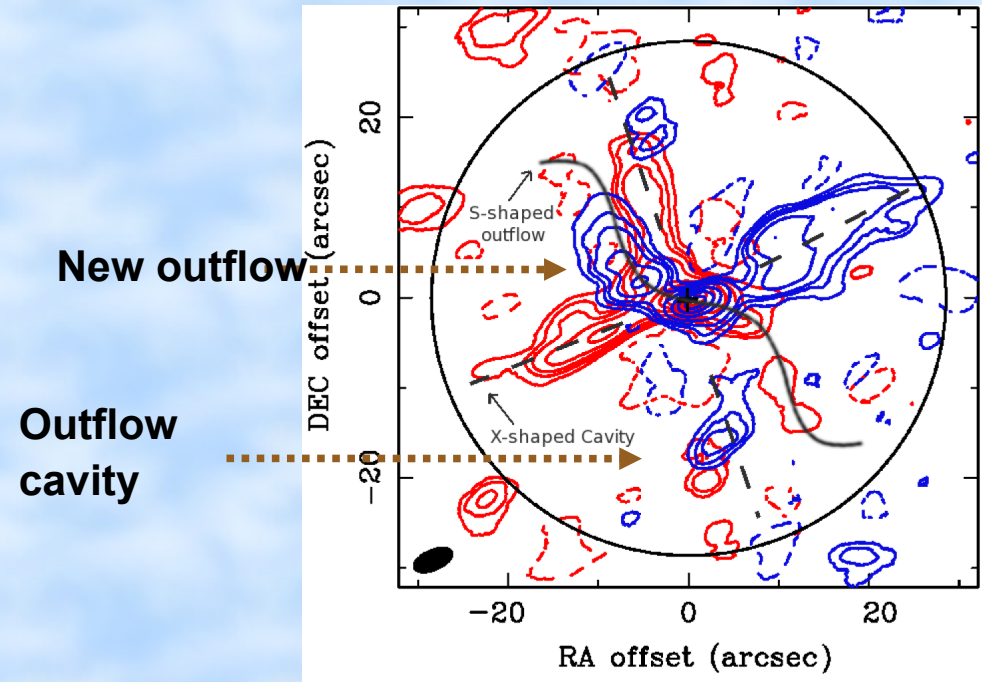






# New Outflow in L1551 IRS5

- The big opening-angle cavity suggest a wide angle wind.
- The collimated component may be driven by the 3rd component.
- The red and blue lobes are not aligned with each other
- The possible 3rd disk may be affect by the tidal force form the N disk, causing the collimated outflow precesses.



# Model of Precessing Jet

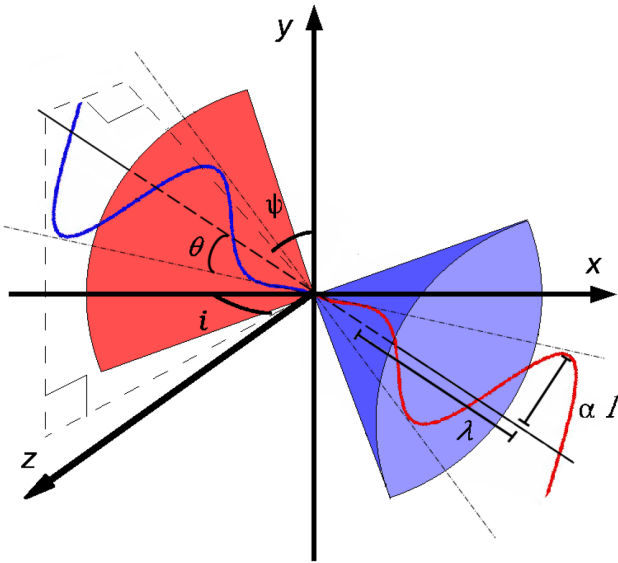
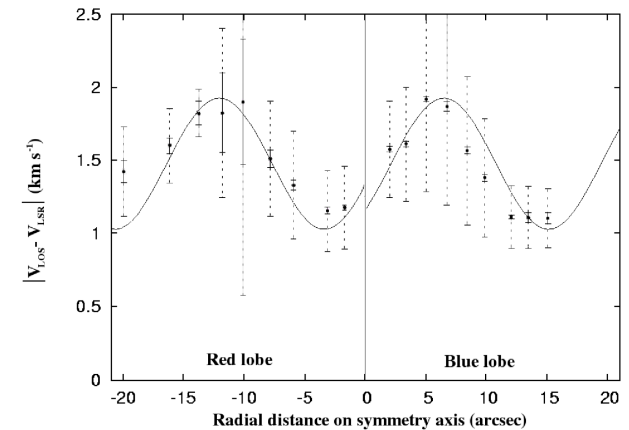
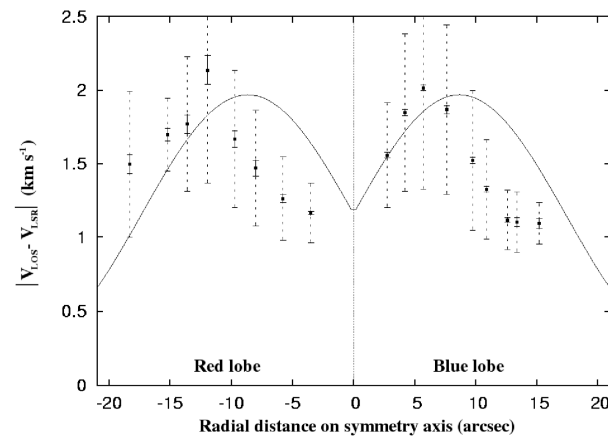
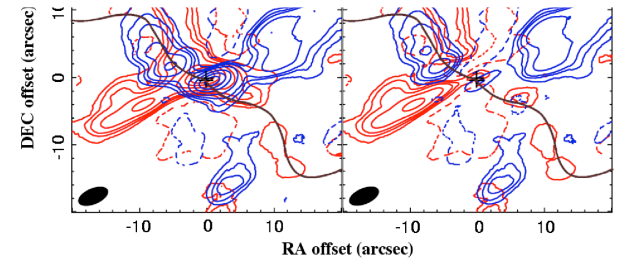
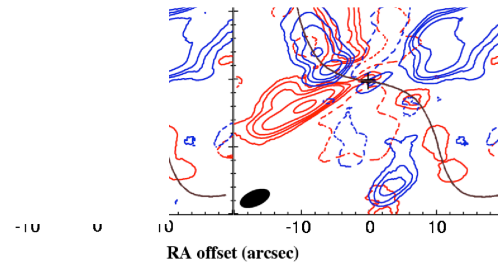


Table 1: Parameters for precessing jet<sup>a</sup>

	Precessing Angle	Period(yrs) <sup>b</sup>	Position Angle
Straight Jet	22°	270	57°
Bent Jet	10°	135	57°

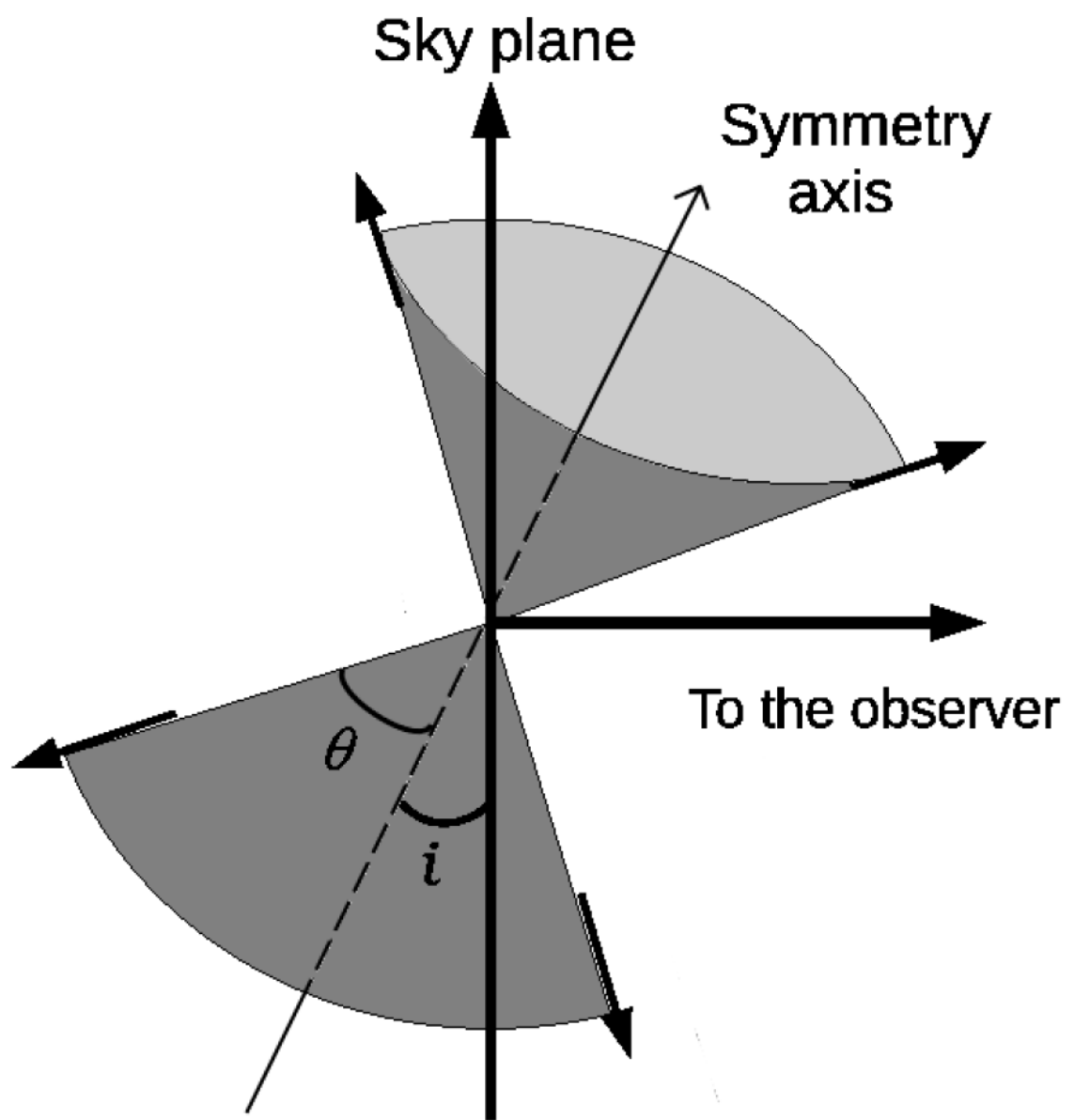
<sup>b</sup> Assuming a jet velocity of  $100 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

<sup>a</sup> Assuming an inclination angle of  $30^\circ$

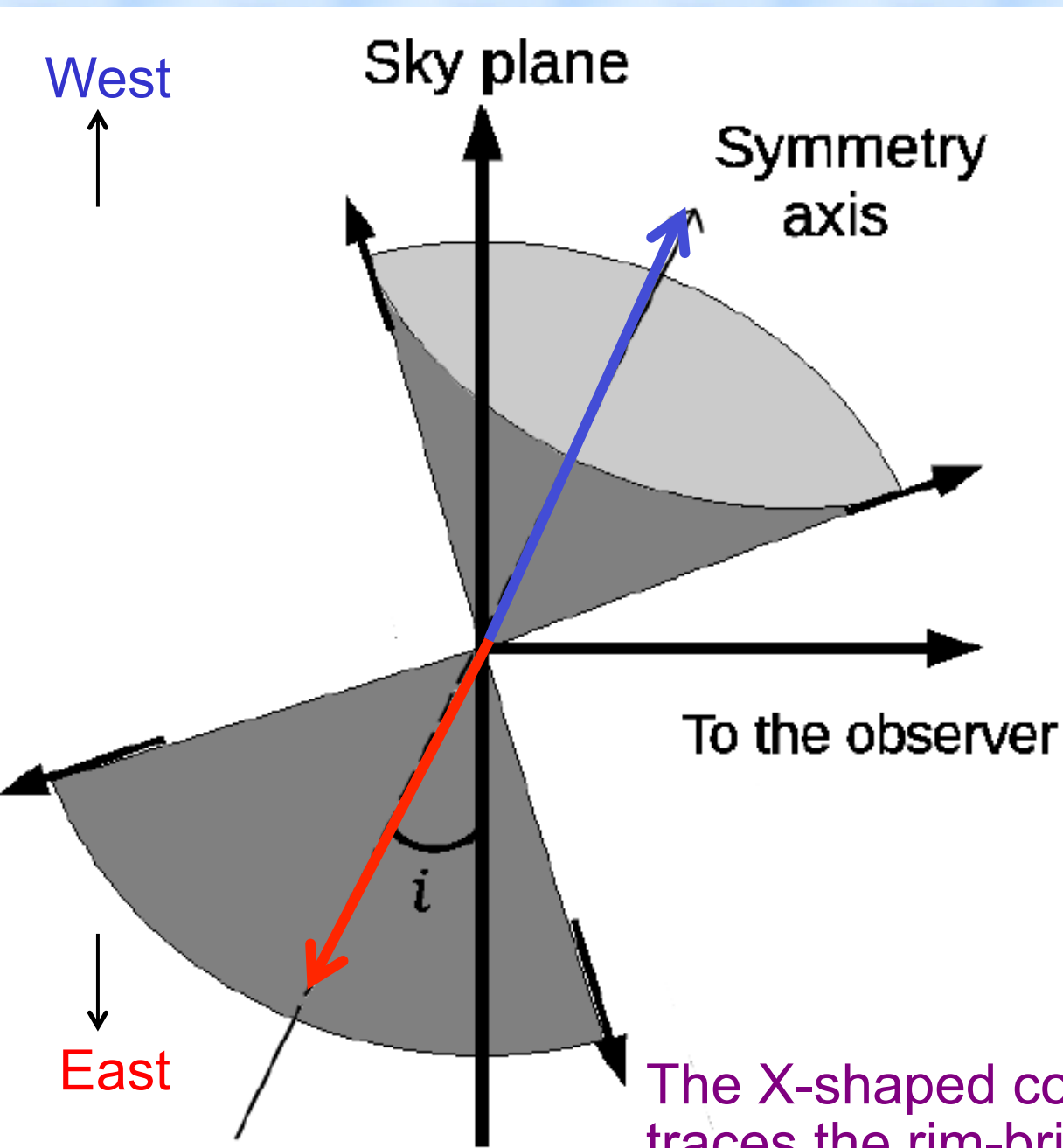




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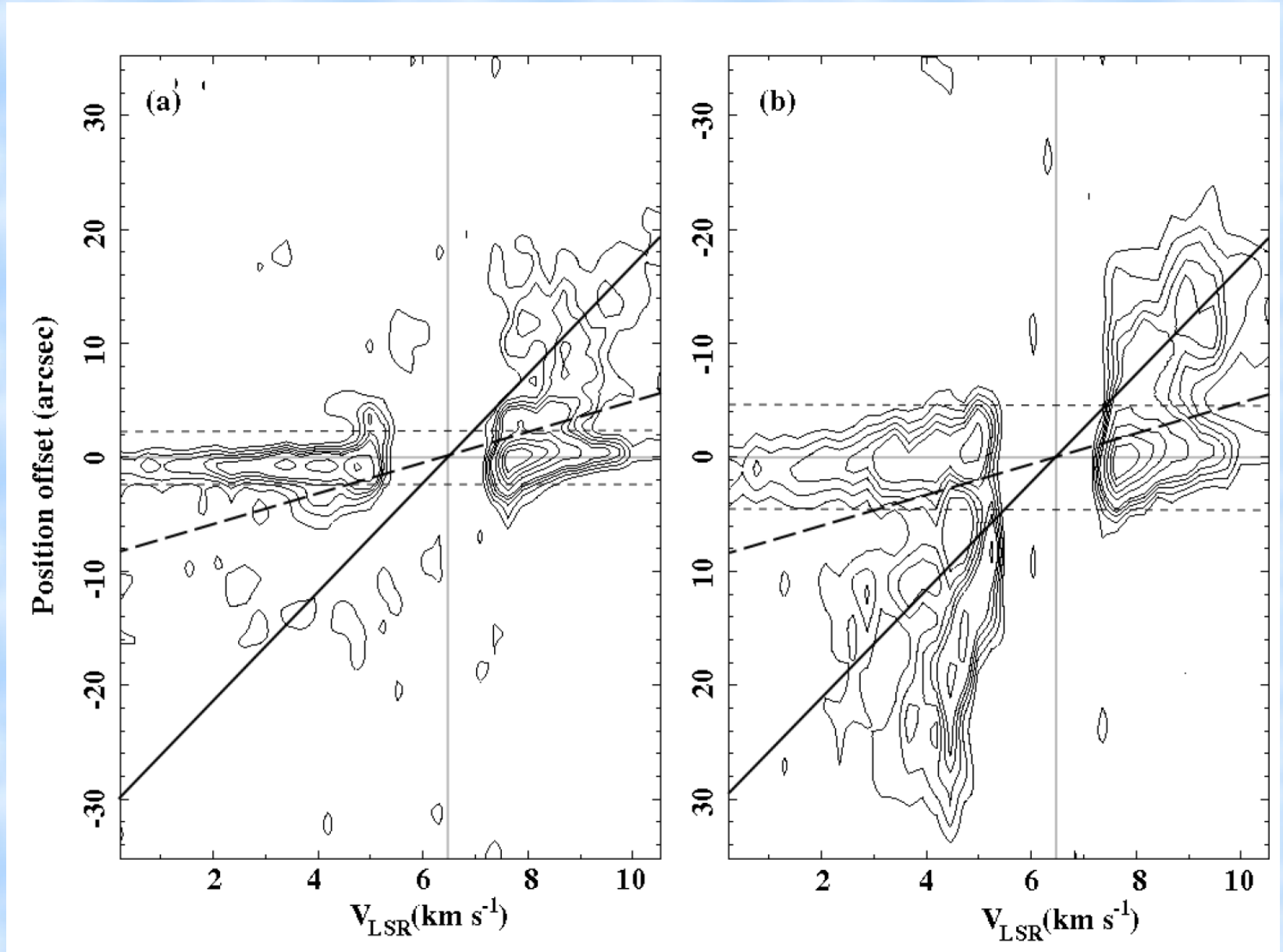


# Model Parameters of the X-shaped Component



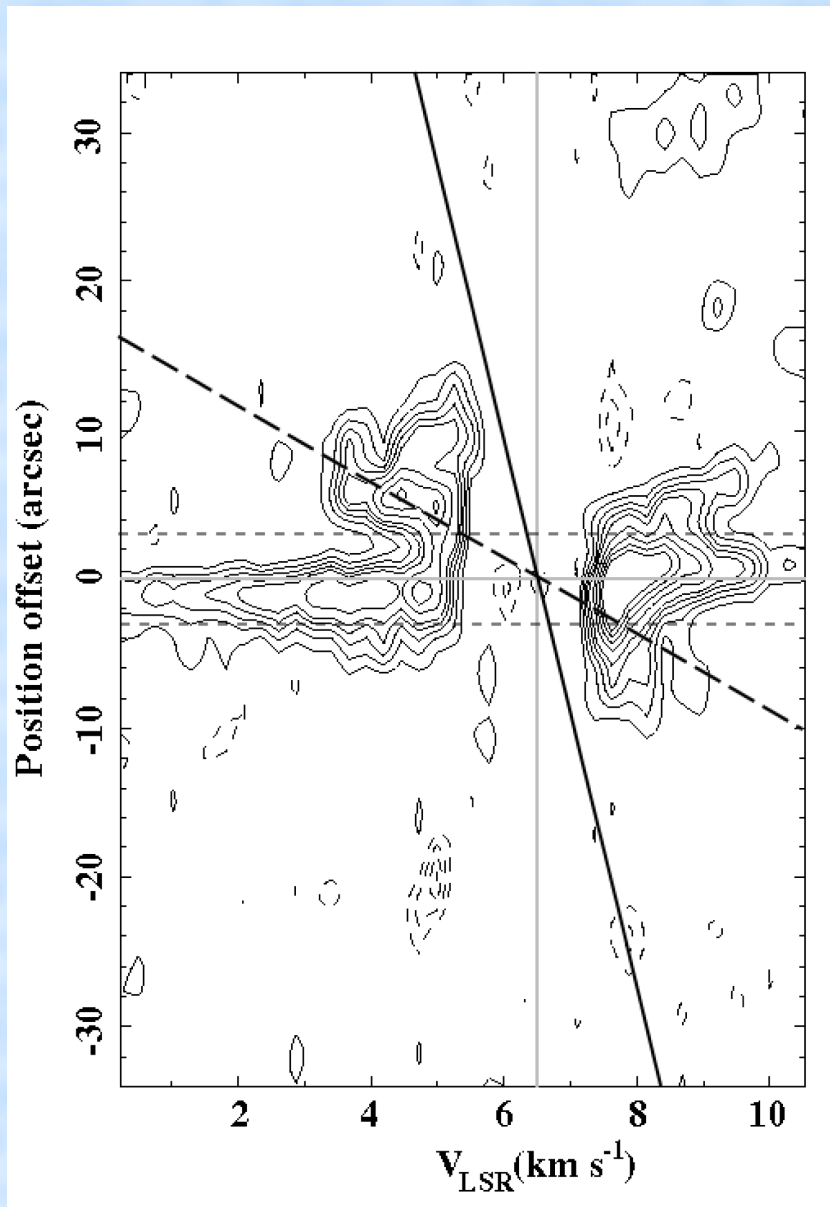
The X-shaped component traces the rim-brightened cone shell

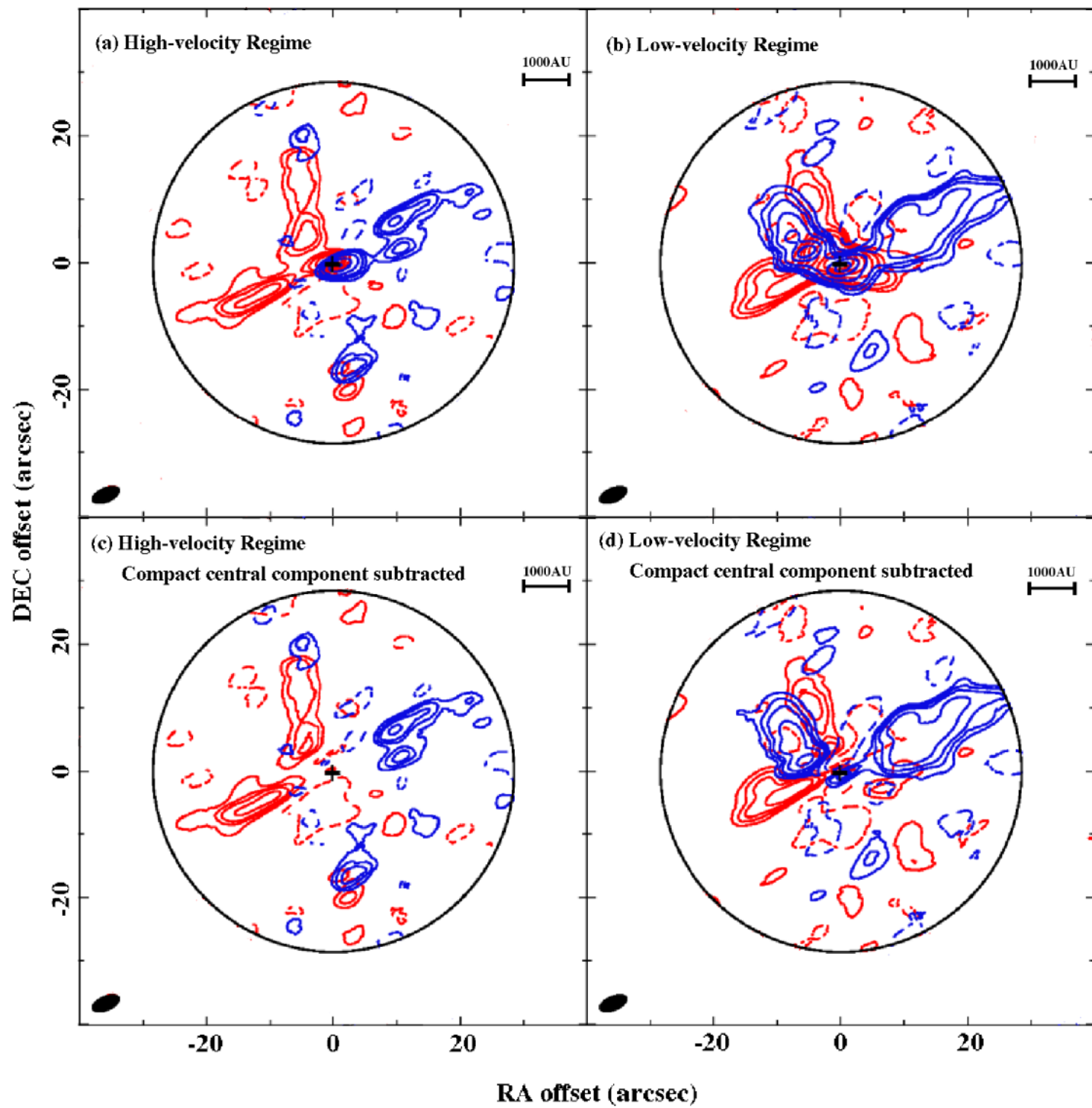
# pv along 25 and 115 degree (arms)





pv along 70 degree (S-shaped comp.)





MODEL PARAMETERS FOR PRECESSING JET

	$\psi$	$\alpha$	$\lambda$	$\phi_0$ (red, blue)	$i$
Straight Jet	$57^\circ$	0.40	40	$-90^\circ, -90^\circ$	$30^\circ$
Bent Jet	$57^\circ$	0.18	20	$110^\circ, -135^\circ$	$30^\circ$