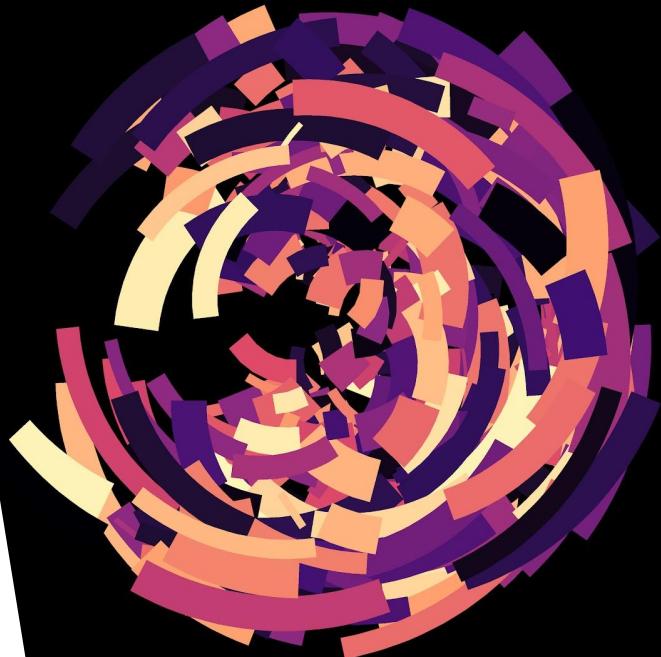


# Setting the Stage for Planet Formation

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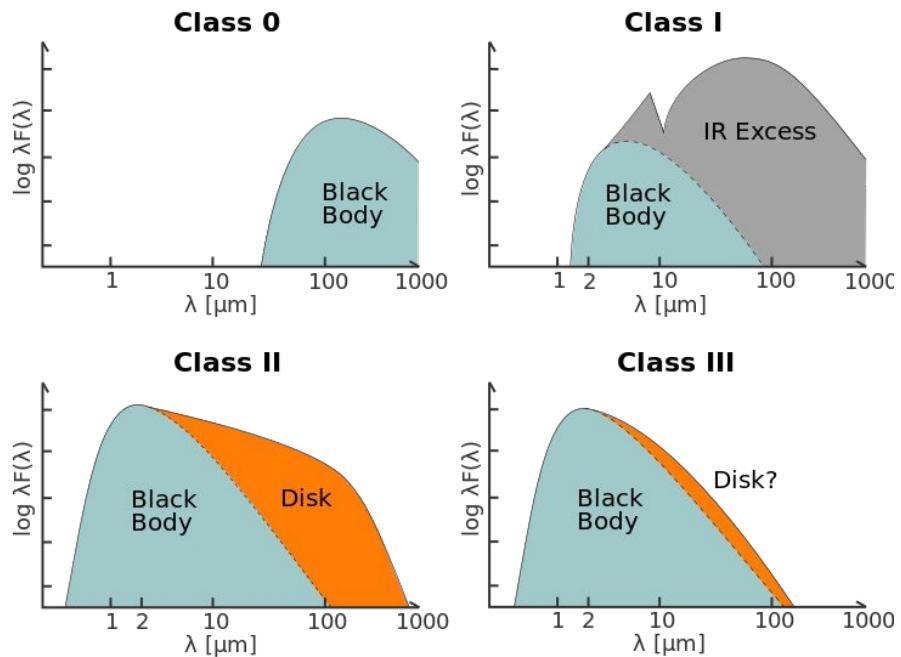
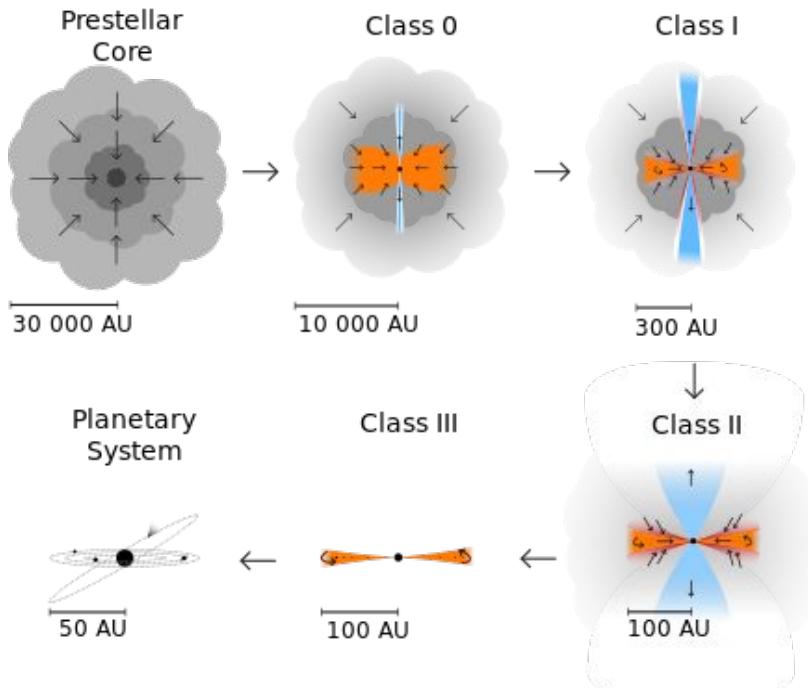


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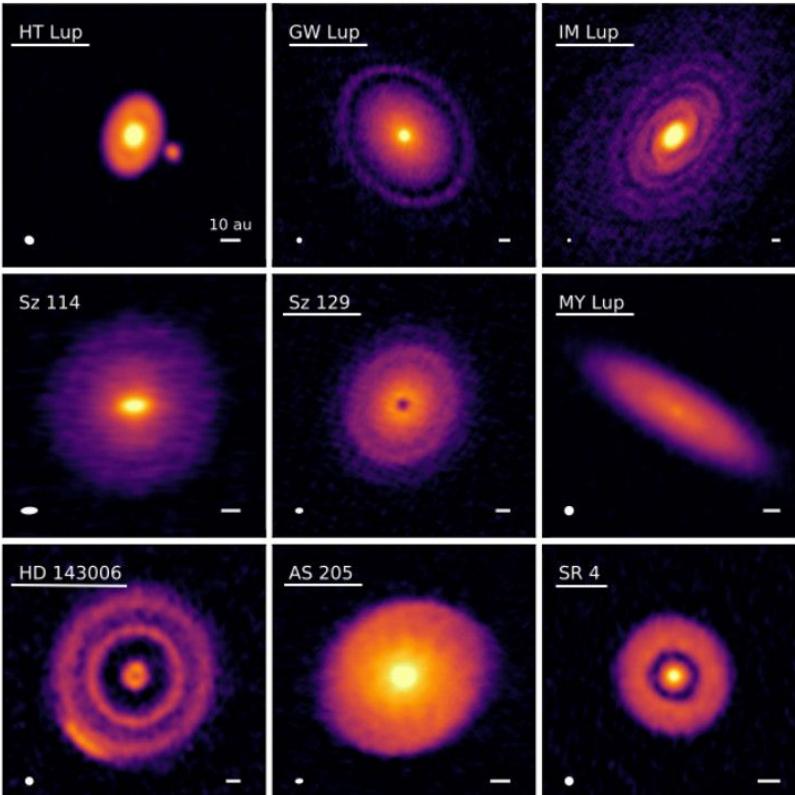


# Young Stellar Objects



Persson, Magnus Vilhelm (2014). Current view of protostellar evolution

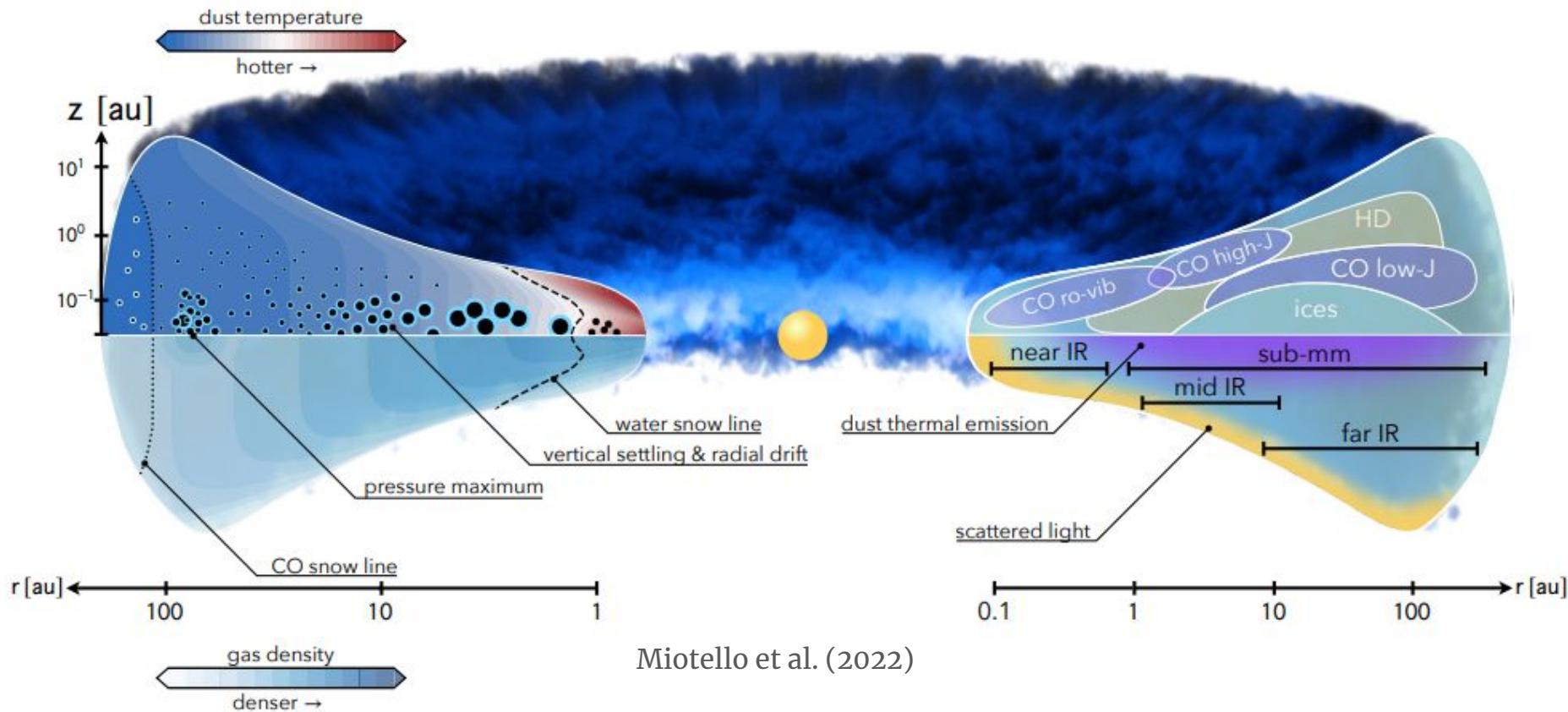
# Disk Substructures



DSHARP (2018)



# Disk Structure

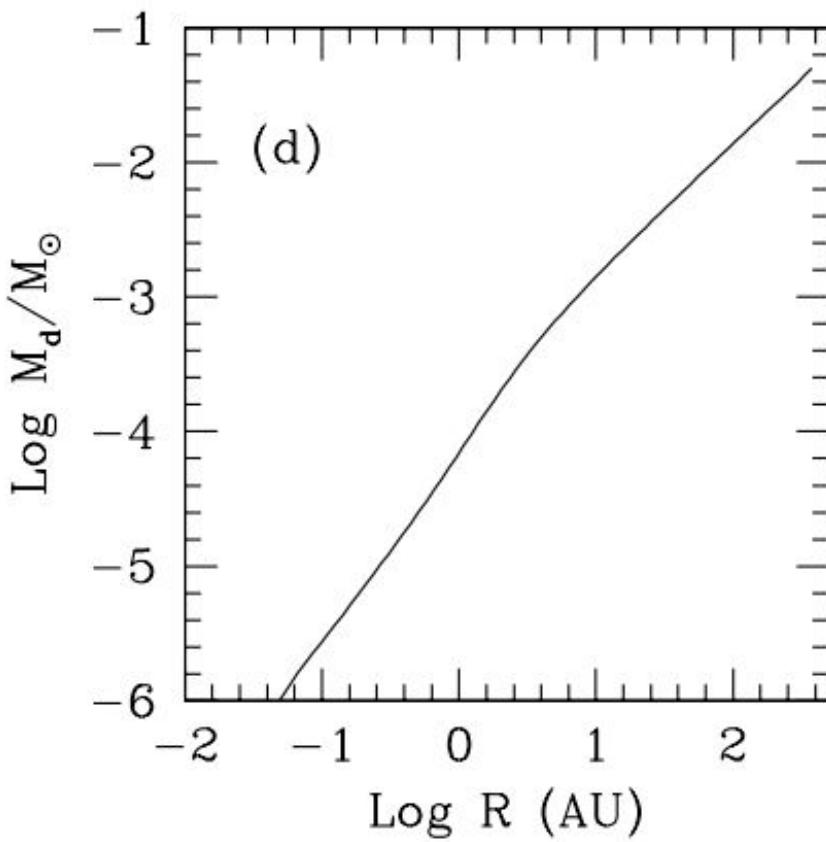


# DISK MASS

# Disk Mass: Dust Mass

- Key to terrestrial planet formation
- Continuum flux emission

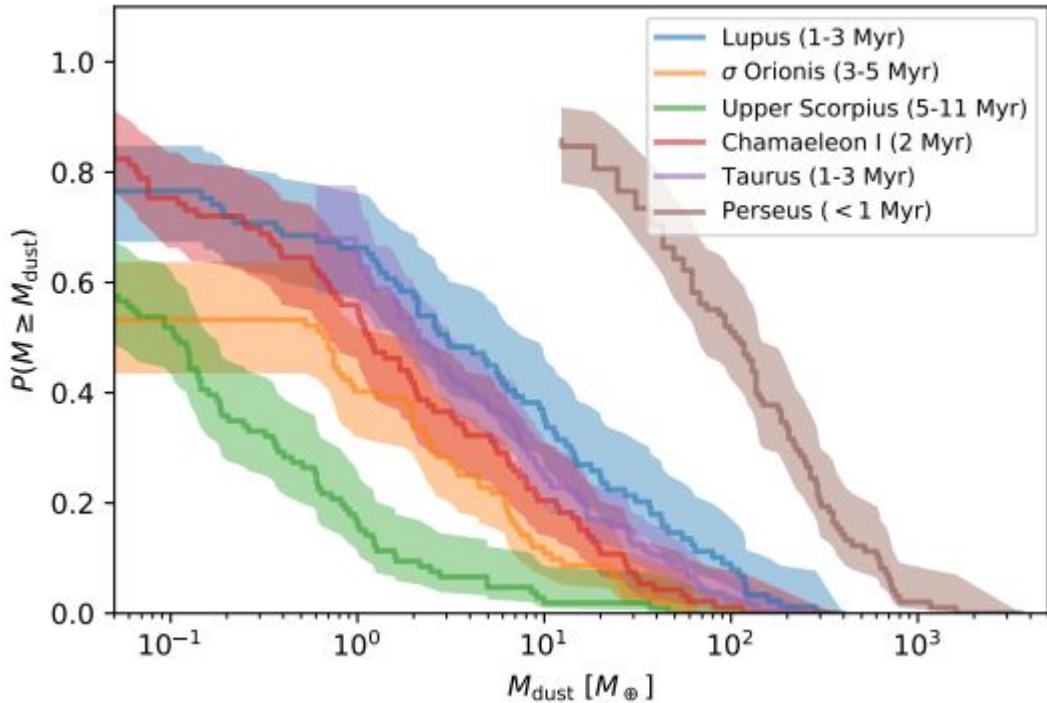
$$F_\nu = \frac{B_\nu(\bar{T}_d)\bar{\kappa}}{d^2} M_{dust}$$



d'Alessio et al. (1999)

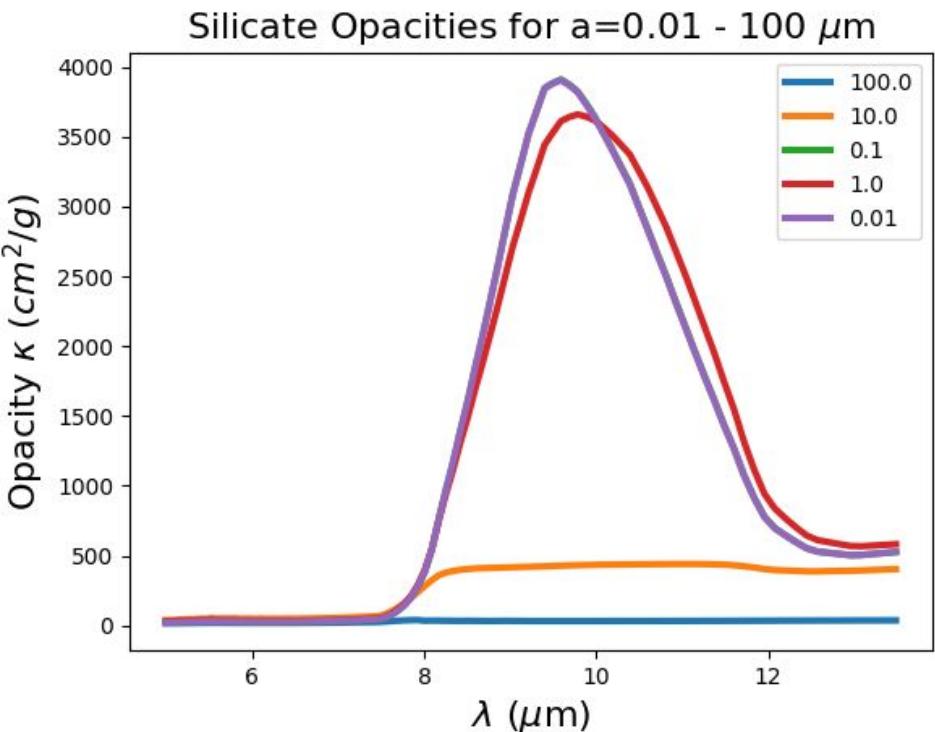
# Disk Mass: Dust Mass

- Dust mass dependent on stellar age
- Caveats:
  - High opacity
  - Grain shape/size

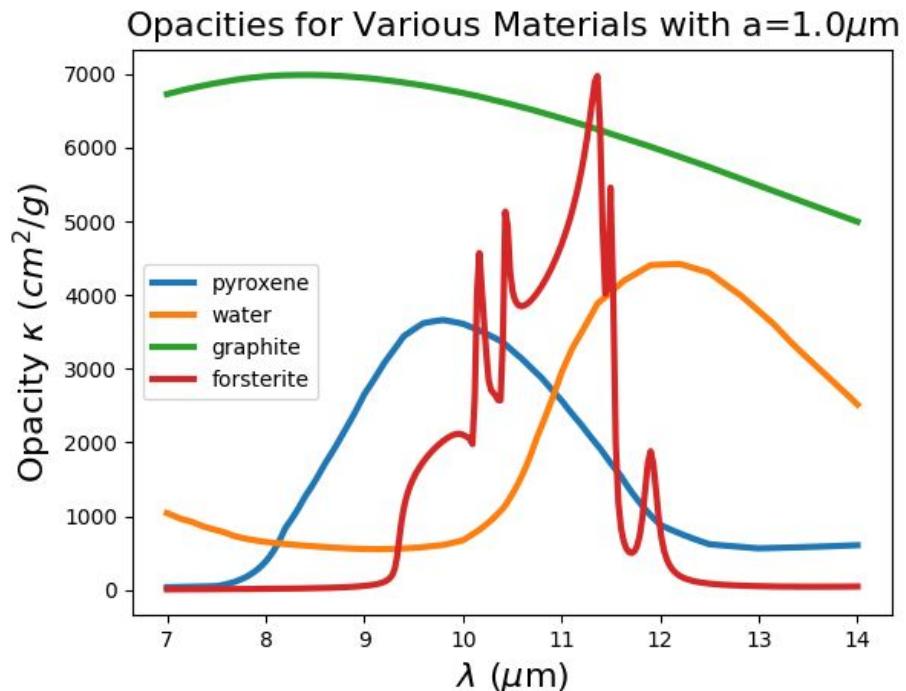


Miotello et al. (2022)

# Dust Mass: Opacity and Grain Effects



Self-made using optool (Dominik et al. 2021)



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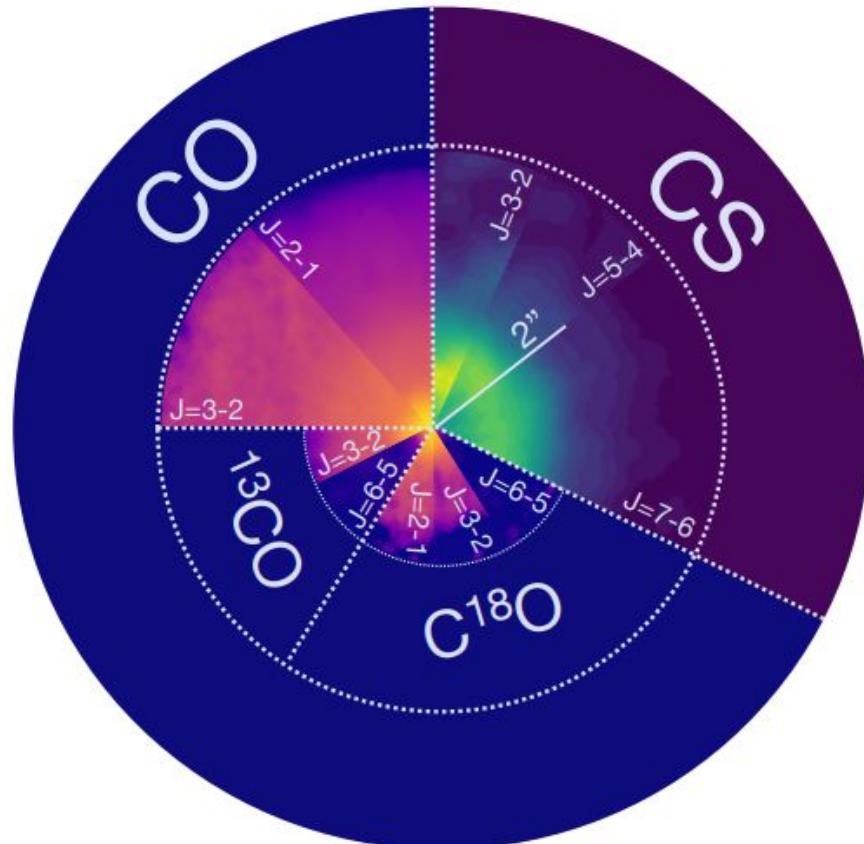
# Disk Mass: Gas Mass ( $H_2$ / HD emission)

- Forms bulk of disk mass
- Determines disk physics and evolution
- $H_2$  most abundant species - faint emission
- Proxy: HD emission
- Lack of observations for HD

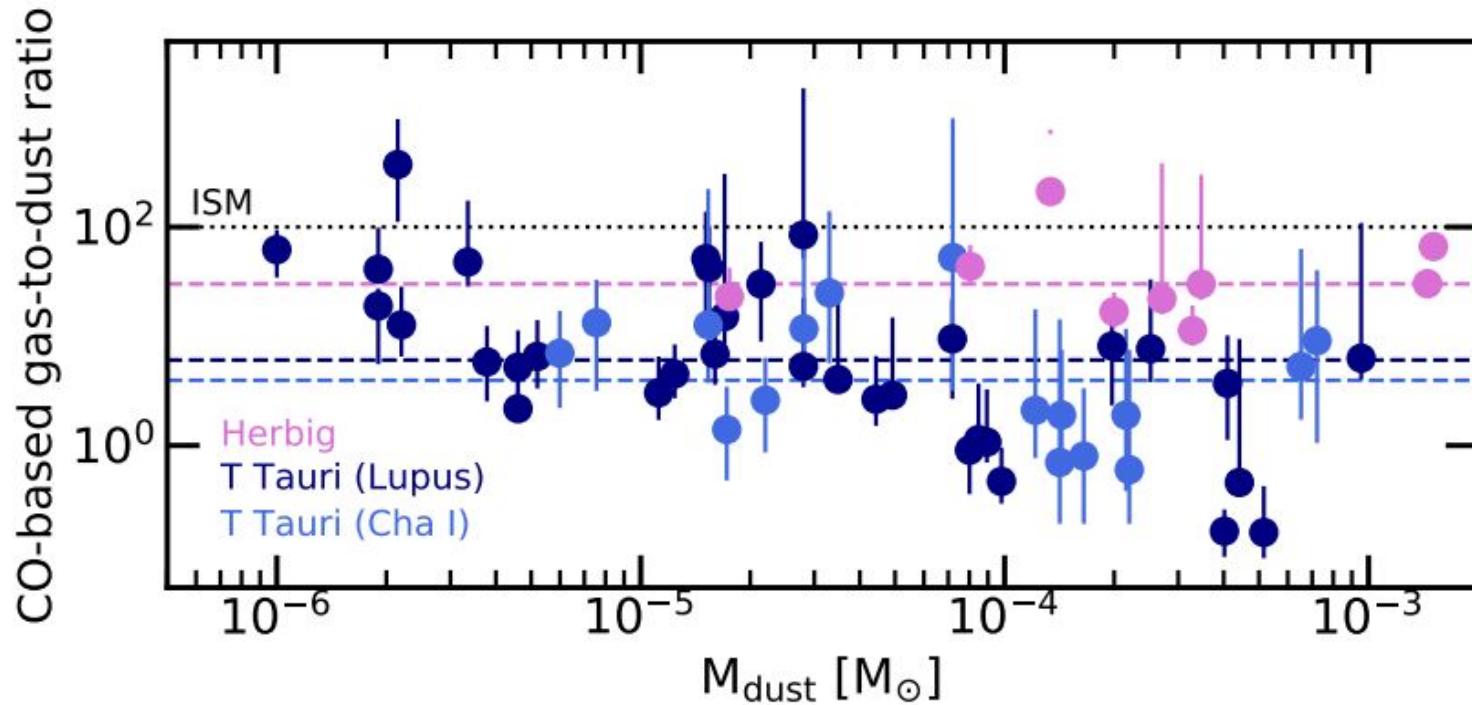


# Gas Mass: CO emission

- CO 2<sup>nd</sup> most abundant species
- Chemically stable
- Several isotopologue tracers
- Probe varying optical depths



# Disk Mass: Gas Mass (CO emission)

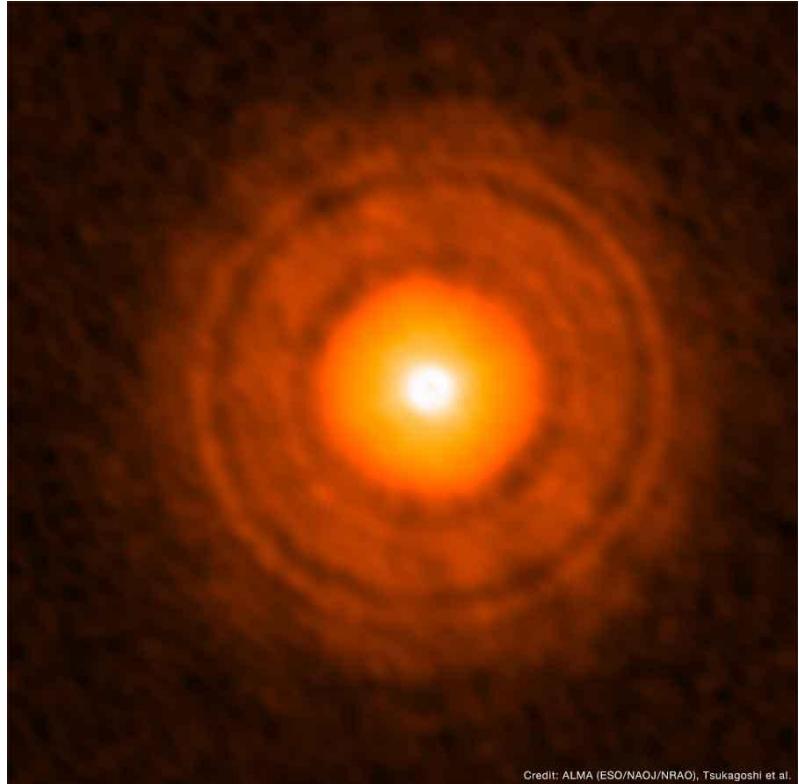


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# Disk Mass: Case Study with TW Hya

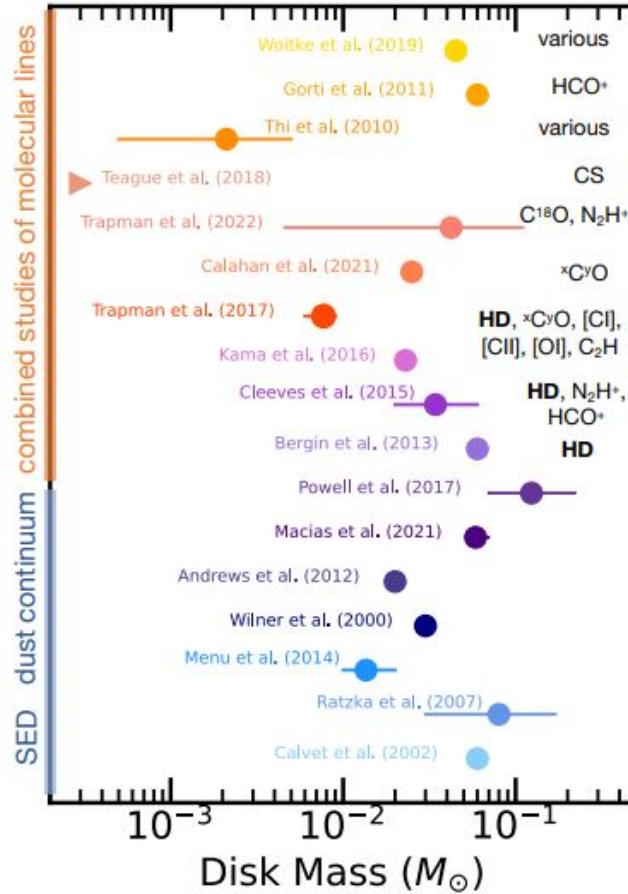
- Pre-main sequence star
- $59 +/- 1$  pc (Gaia Collab et al. 2018)
- Highly studied disk



Credit: ALMA (ESO/NAOJ/NRAO), Tsukagoshi et al.

# Disk Mass: Case Study with TW Hya

- Disk masses vary widely based on method and tracer
- Not enough mass to form planets
- Planet formation may begin at Class 0/I stage



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# Disk Mass

Dust Mass: Continuum emission

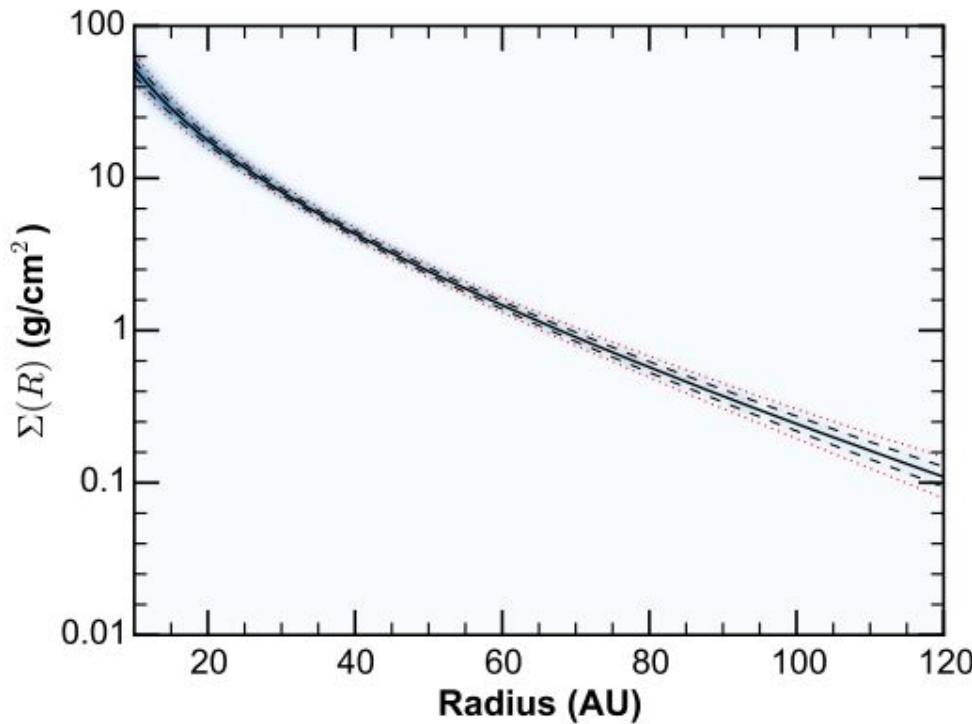
Gas Mass: CO emission

Highly entangled with  $a_{\text{grain}}$ ,  $\tau$  and T  
Large uncertainties

# DISK SURFACE DENSITY

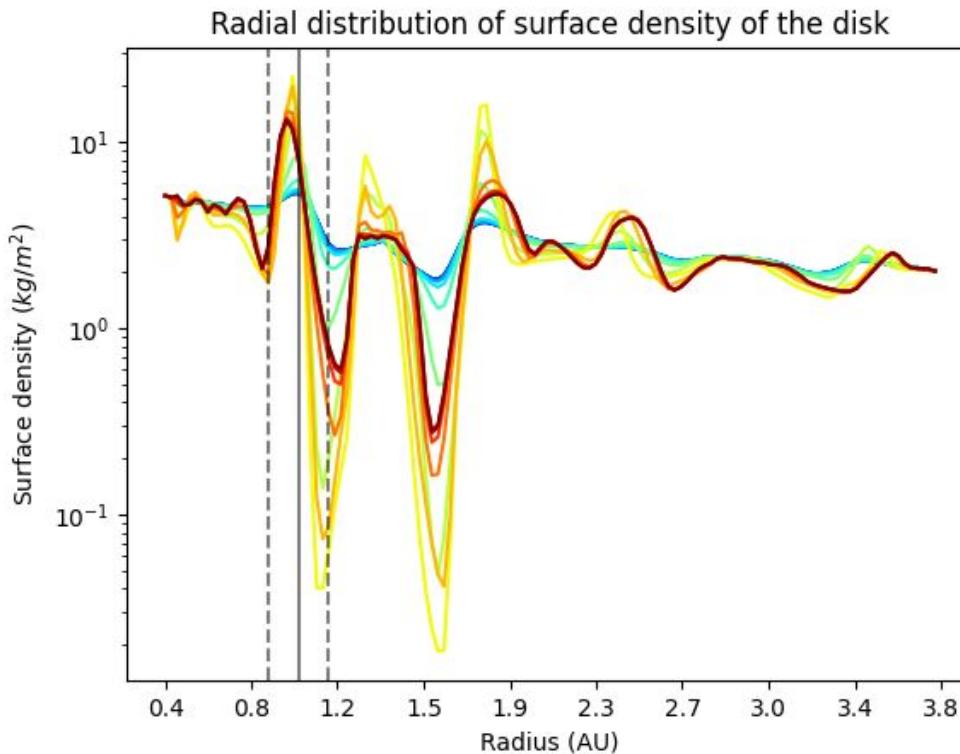
# Disk Radial Structure: Dust Surface Density $\Sigma_d(r)$

- Determines planet architecture
- Inferred from SEDs
- Minimum mass solar nebula:  
(Weidenschilling 1977, Hayashi 1981)  
$$\Sigma(r) = 1700 \left( \frac{r}{1AU} \right)^{-\gamma} g/cm^2$$
- $a_{\text{grain}}$  and  $\tau$  uncertainties



Tazzari et al. (2016)

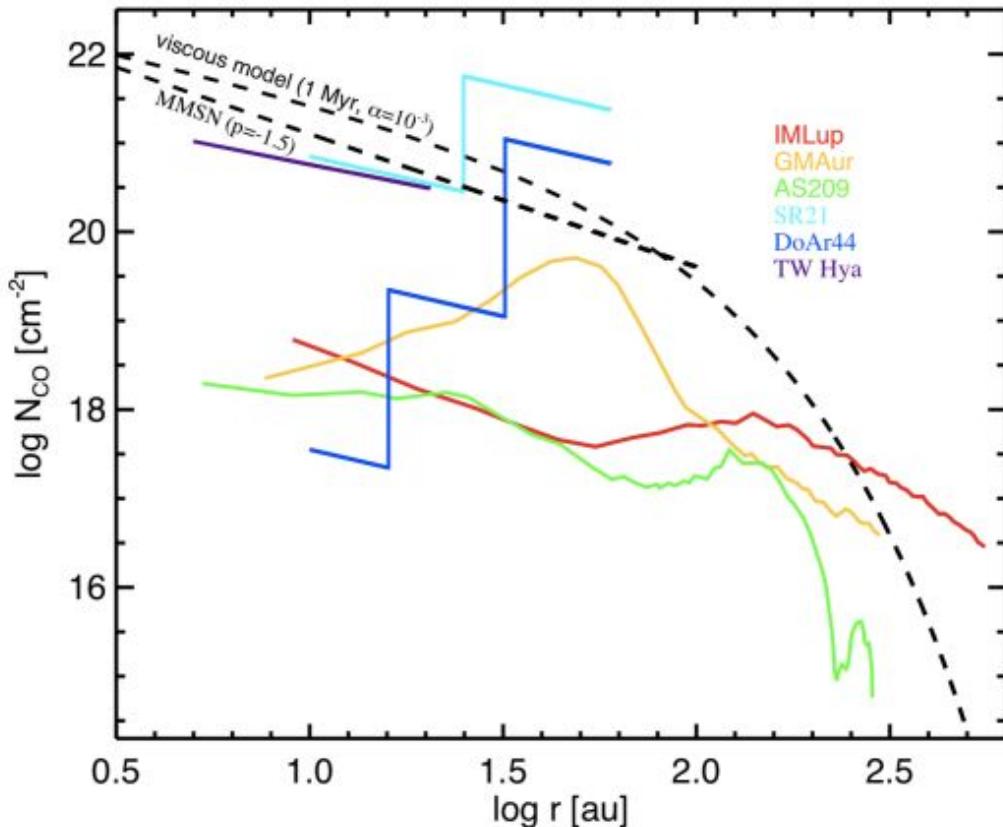
# Disk Radial Structure: $\Sigma_d(r)$ with Substructures



Self-made



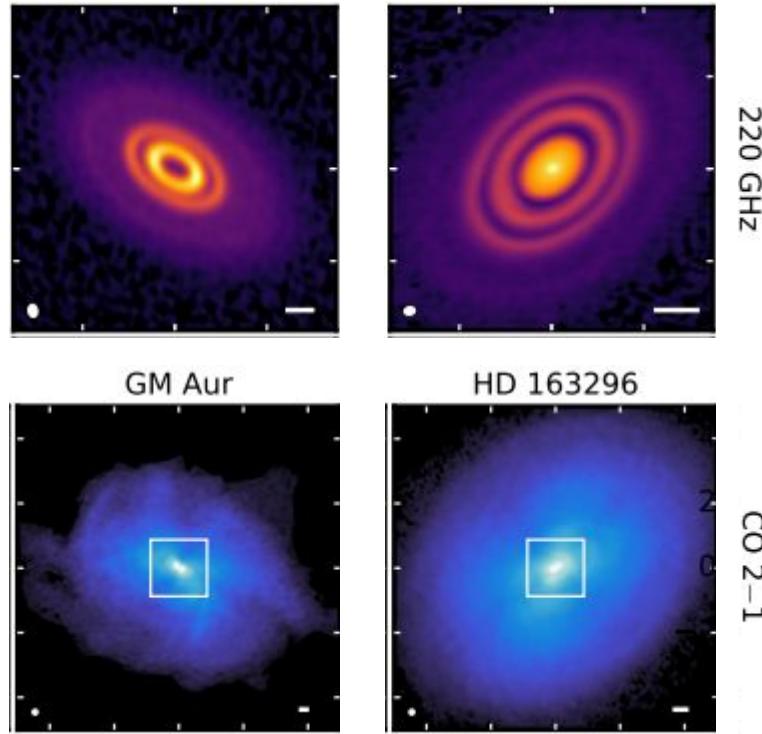
# Disk Radial Structure: Gas Surface Density $\Sigma_g(r)$



Miotello et al. (2022)



# Disk Radial Structure: Role of Substructures in $\Sigma(r)$



Gas shows less  
substructure  
compared to dust

MAPS Survey, Law et al. (2021)

# Disk Surface Density

Dust  $\Sigma$ : Power law profile

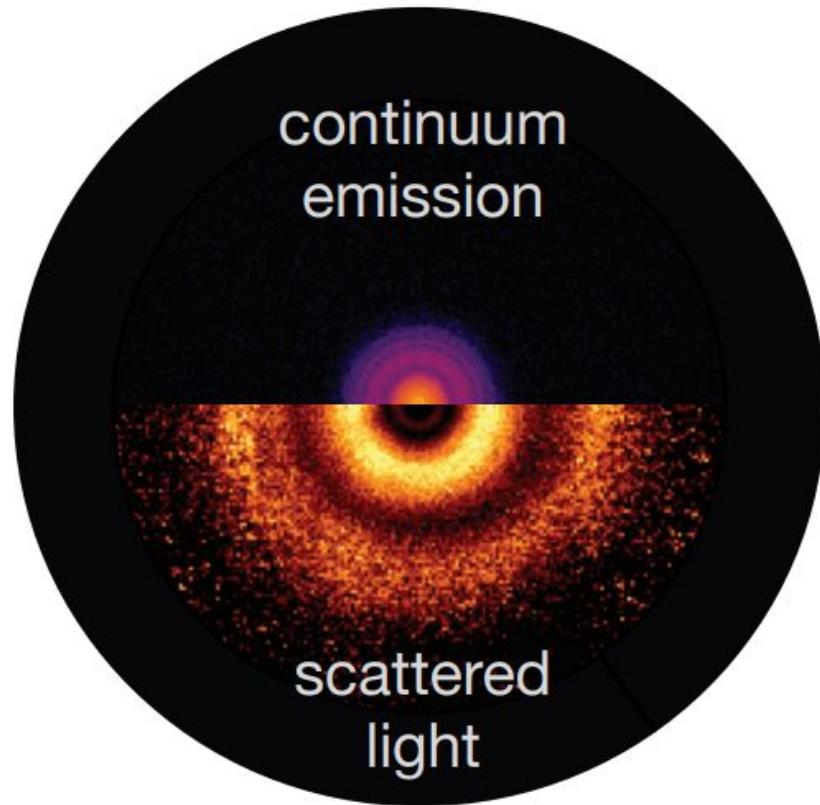
Gas  $\Sigma$ : CO emission

Gas substructure < Dust substructure

# DISK OUTER RADIUS

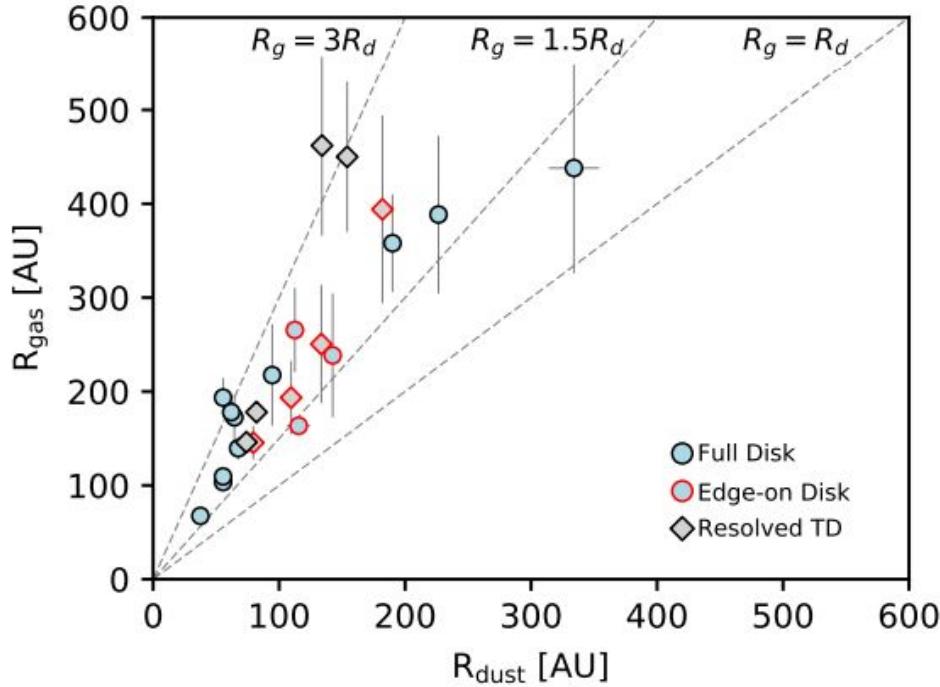
# Disk Radial Structure: Dust Outer Radius $R_{\text{dust}}$

- $R_N$ : Radius that encircles  $N\%$  of luminosity
- Typically,  $N=68$  (Tripathi et al. 2017)
- Continuum vs scattered light disk radius



# Disk Radial Structure: Gas Outer Radius $R_{\text{CO}}$

- $R_{\text{CO}}$ : 90% of measured  $^{12}\text{CO}$  flux
- $R_{\text{CO}}$  greater than  $R_{\text{dust}}$
- Faint CO emission:  
Compact disks

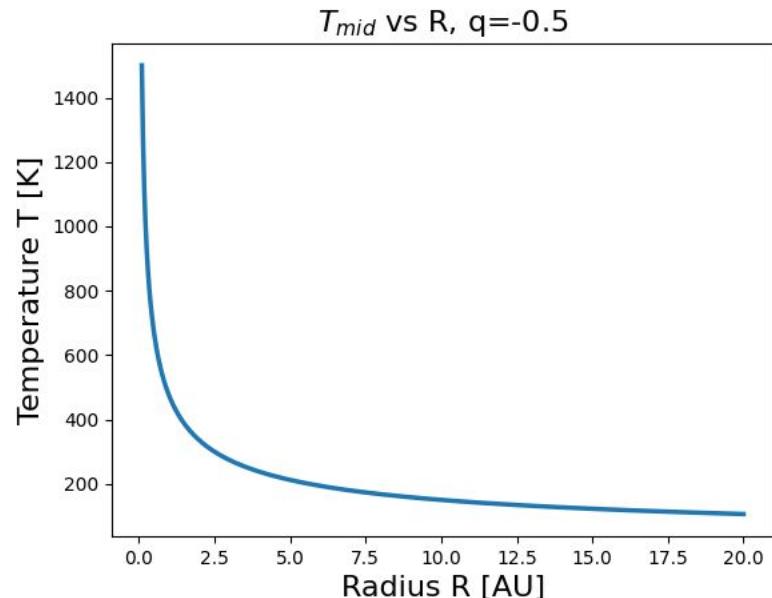


Ansdell et al. (2018)

# DISK TEMPERATURE

# Disk Radial Structure: Dust Temperature $T_d(r)$

- Controls disk chemical composition
- Stellar radiation intercepted by grains
- Decreases radially outward



Self-made

$$T \propto R^q$$

# Disk Radial Structure: Gas Temperature $T_g(r)$

## Inner disk (1-3 AU):

- Terrestrial planets
- CO, OH, H<sub>2</sub>O emission lines
  - 500 - 1700K

## Outer disk (10-few 100 AU):

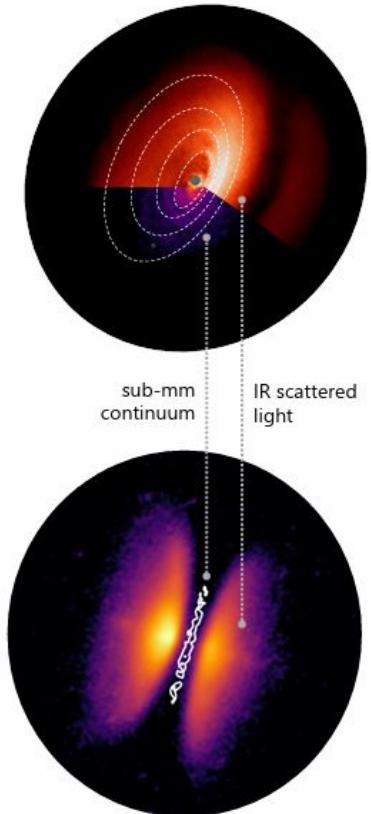
- Outer planets
- Abundant molecular lines (HCN vs CN)
  - CO Snowlines
    - ~20K



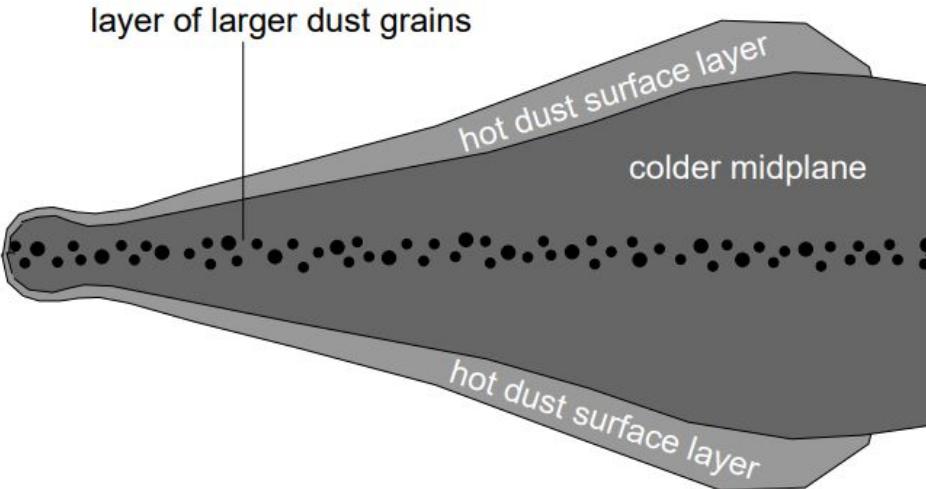
# DISK VERTICAL STRUCTURE

# Disk Vertical Structure

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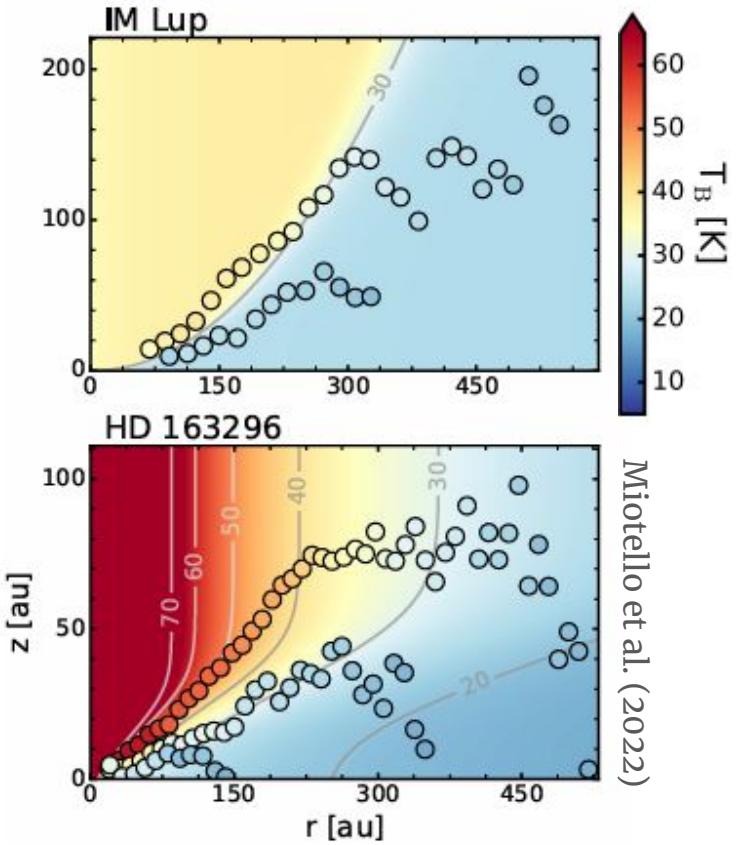
Flared Disk



Dullemond et al. (2007)



# Disk Vertical Structure: Temperature $T(z)$



- Surface layers warmer
- Optically thick CO emission
  - Snowlines to infer T
- Substructures can affect profile

# Conclusions

1. Disk properties determine planet architecture and composition
2.  $M_{\text{disk}}$  not well-constrained, underestimated
3. Gas has greater spatial extent, lesser substructures
  4. Disk vertical structure important
5. Better measurement techniques and more observations required

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