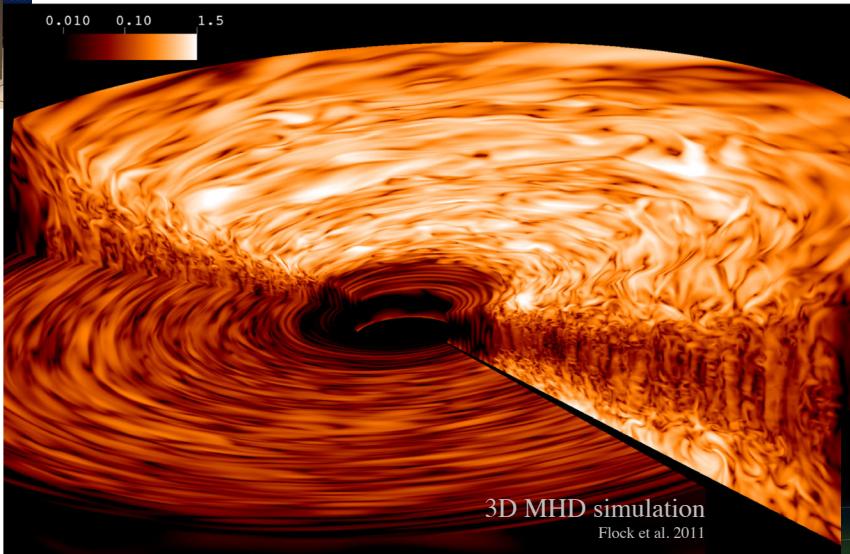




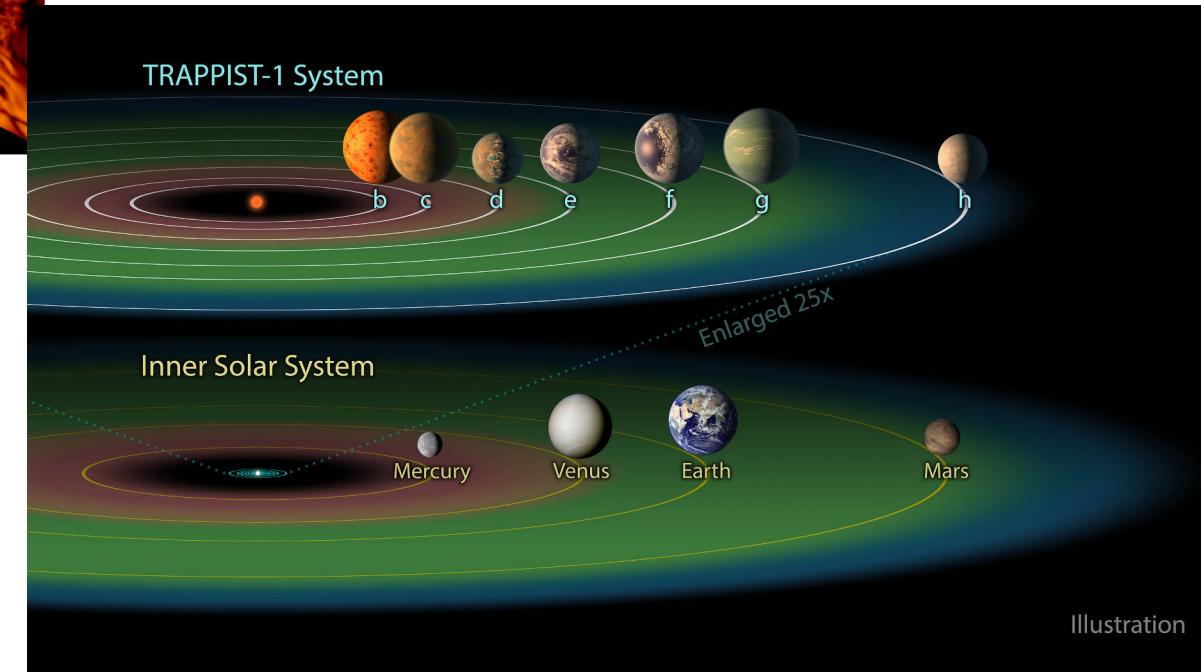
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# Planet formation

## The role of gas and dust dynamics in the evolution of protoplanetary disks

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University of Zürich, 24.9.2021

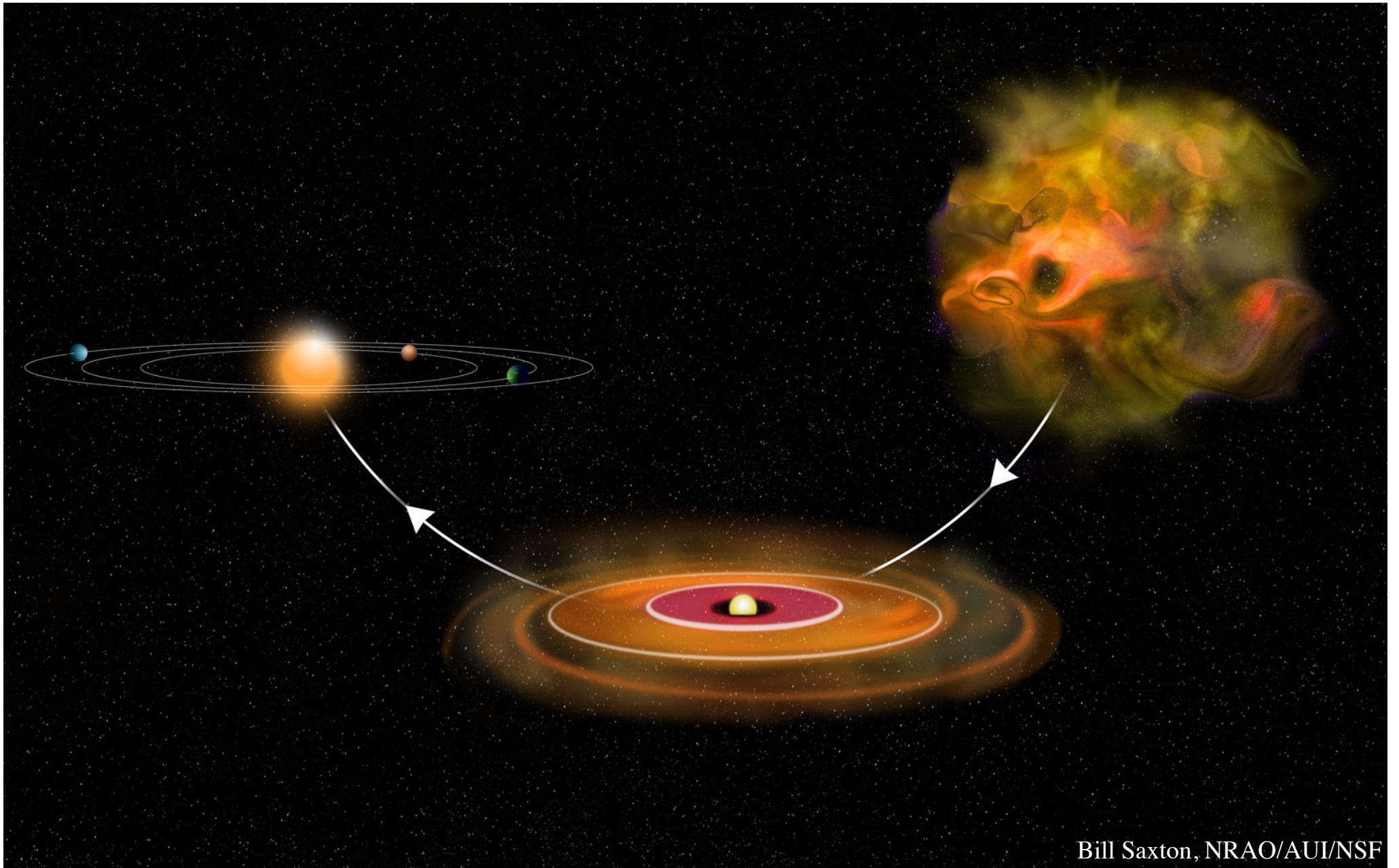


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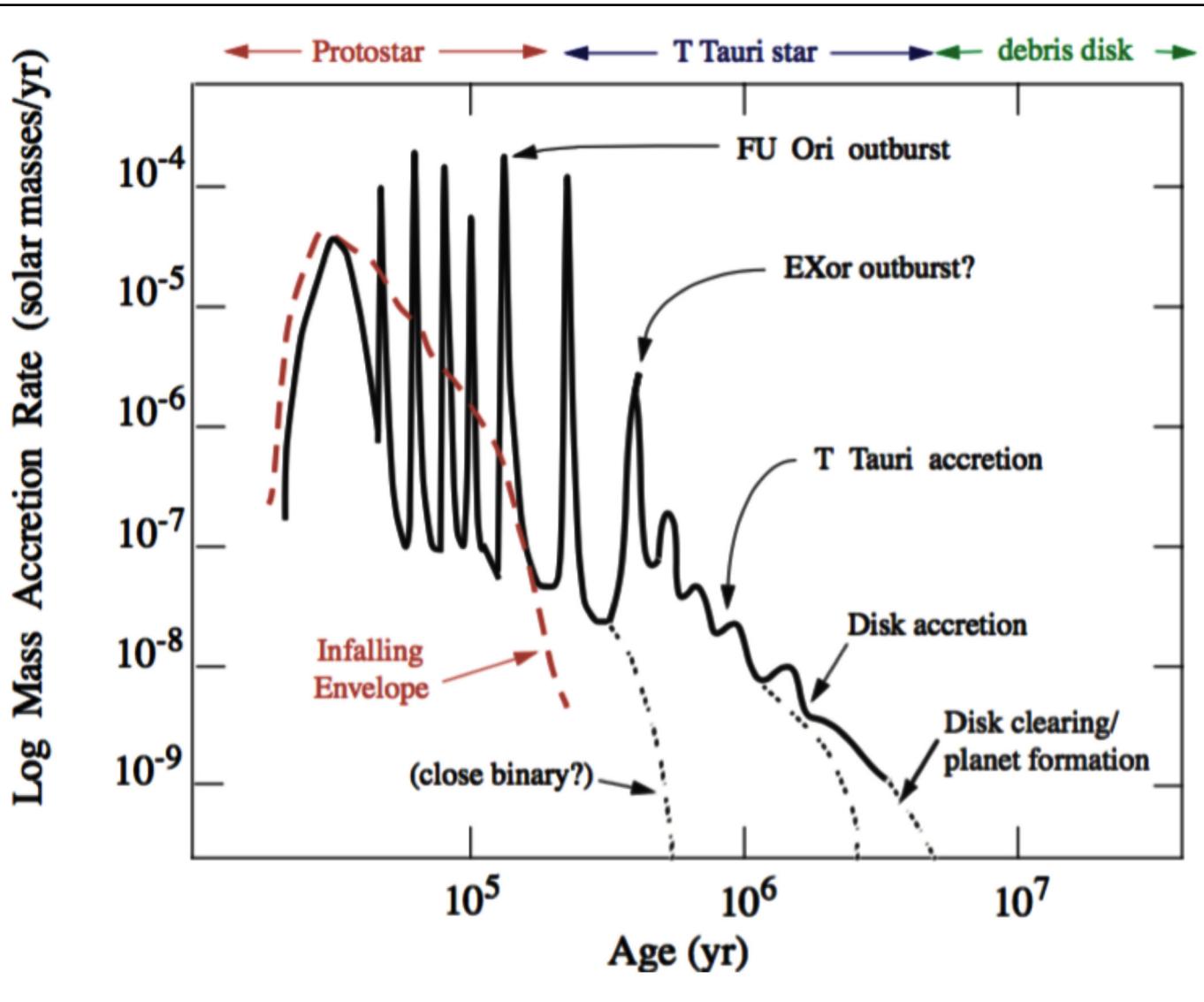
- Formation of a disk around a contracting nebula
- Early ideas of protoplanetary disk

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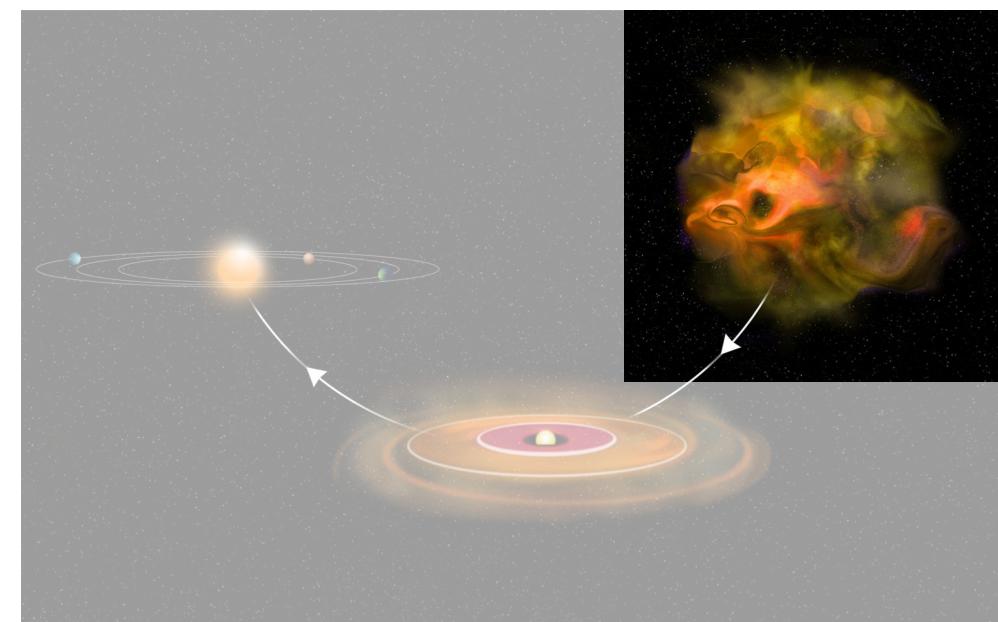
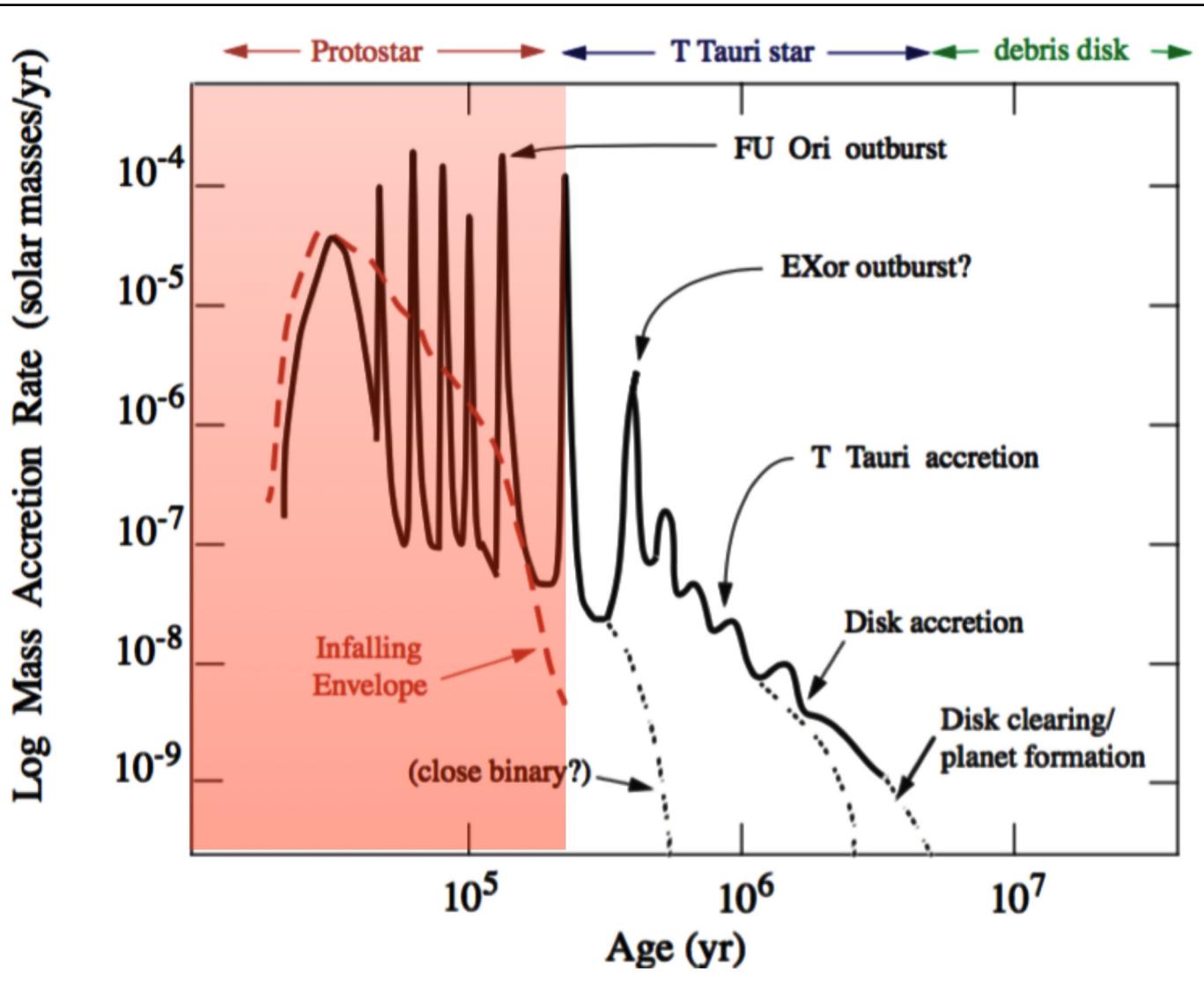


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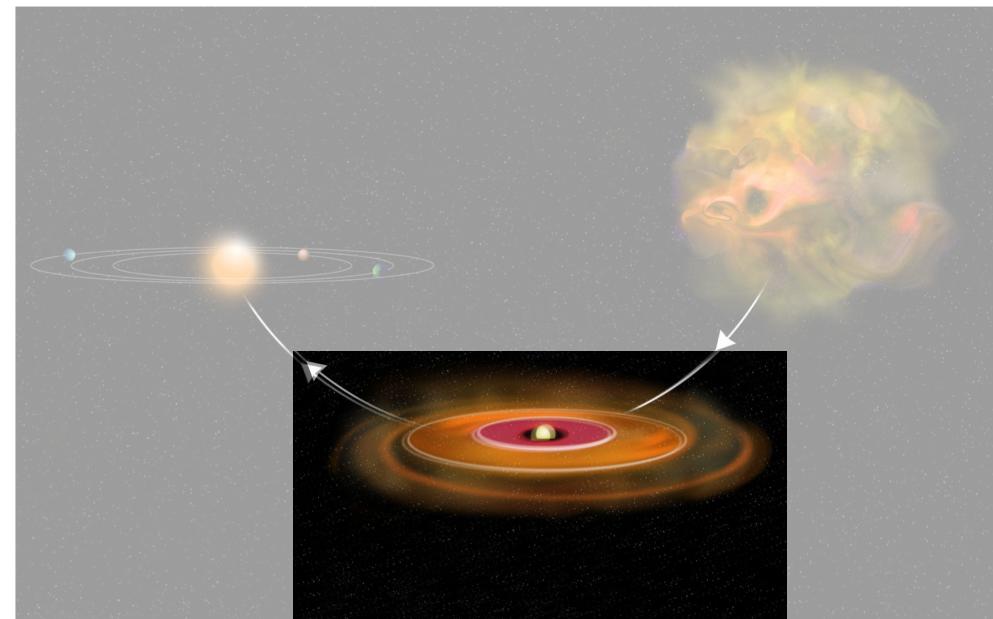
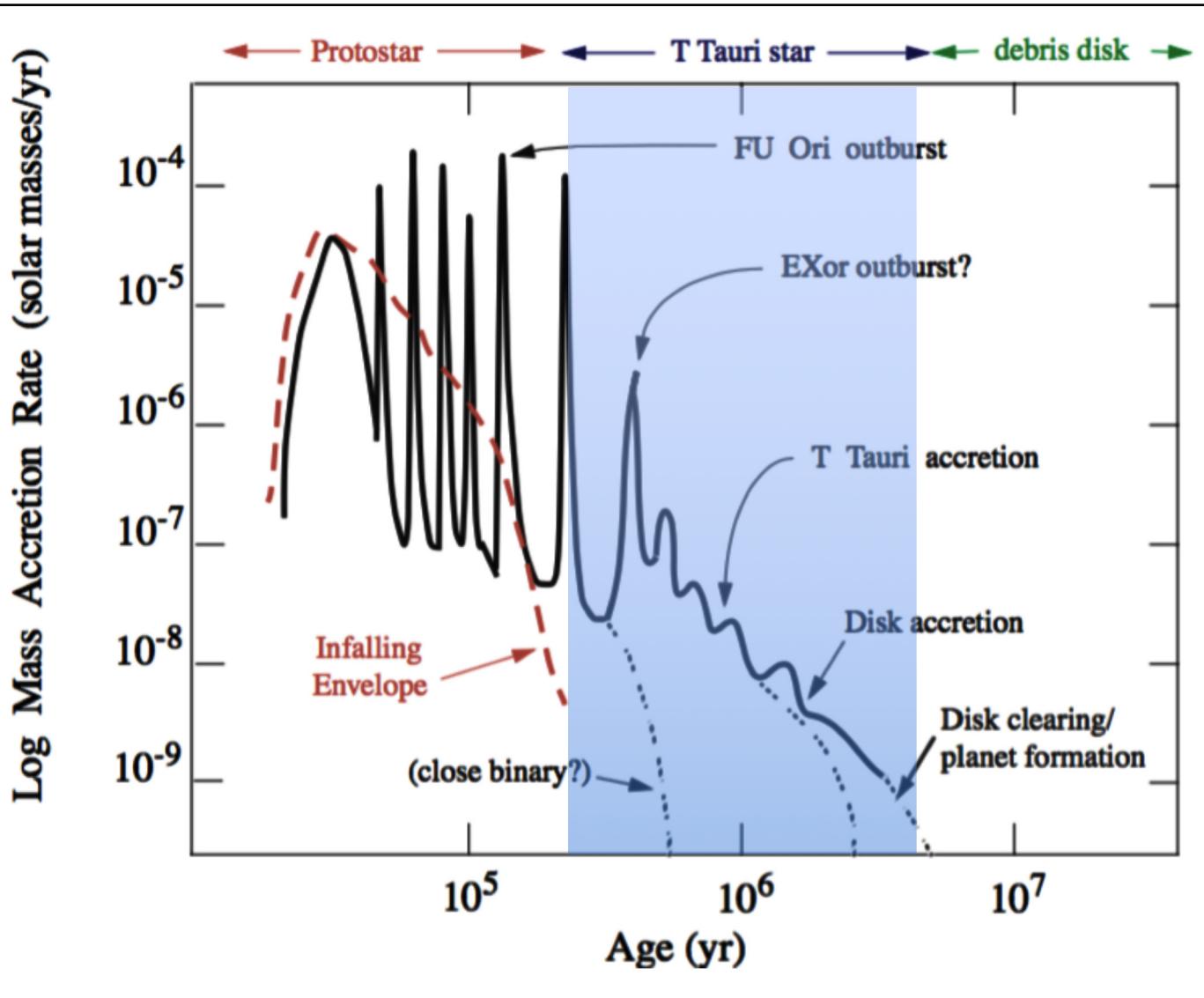
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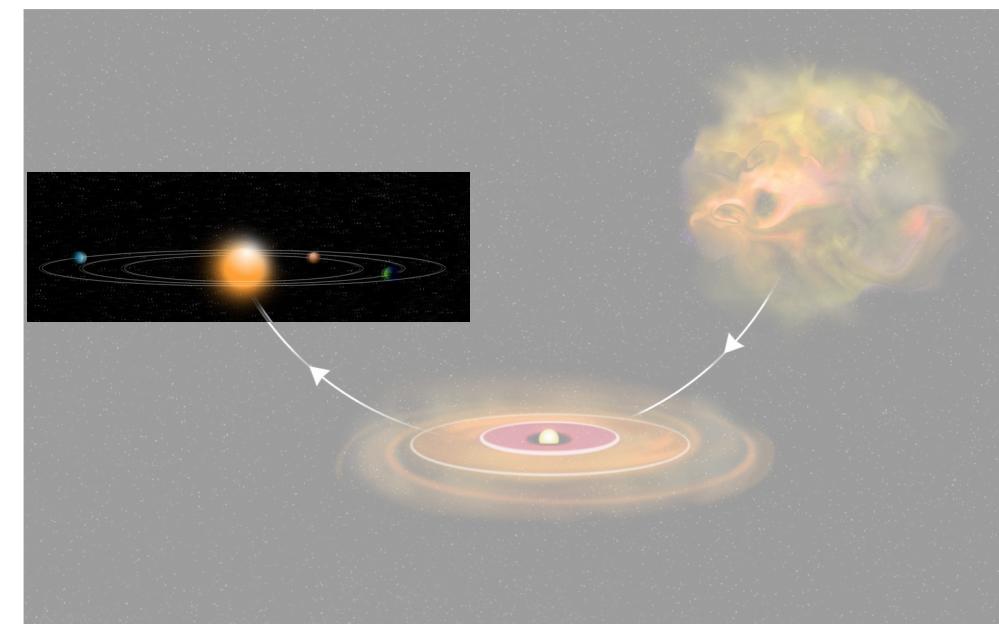
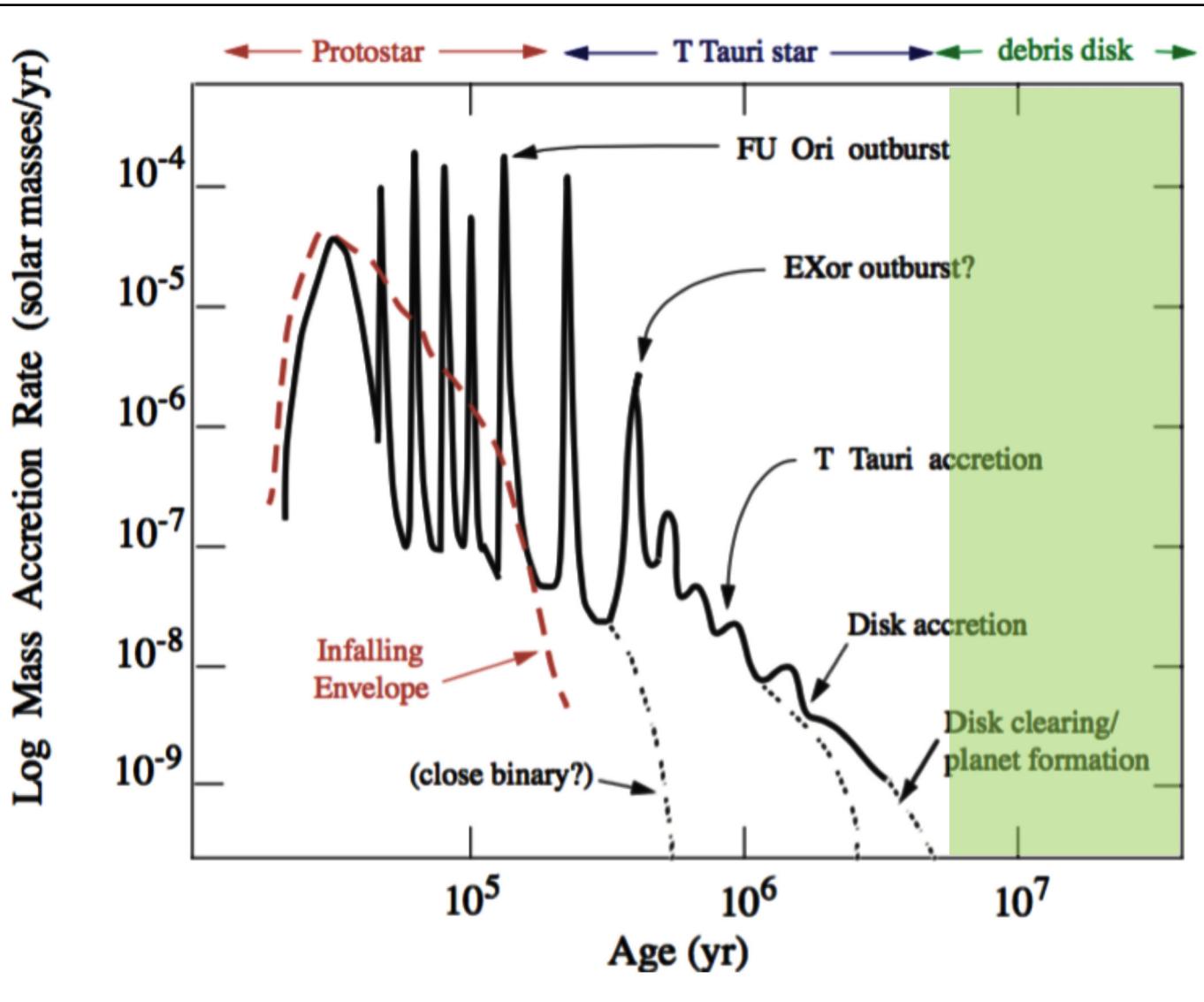
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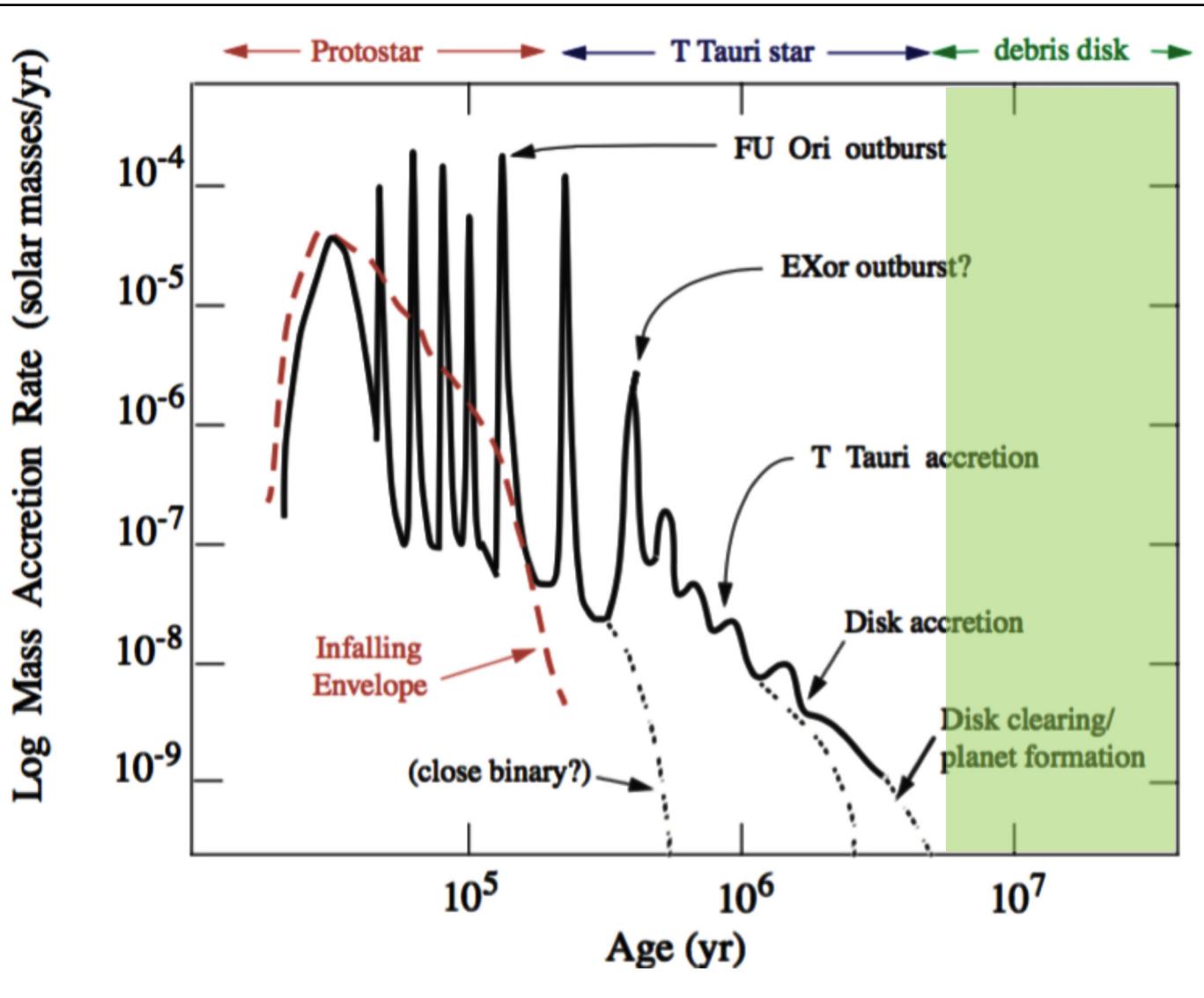
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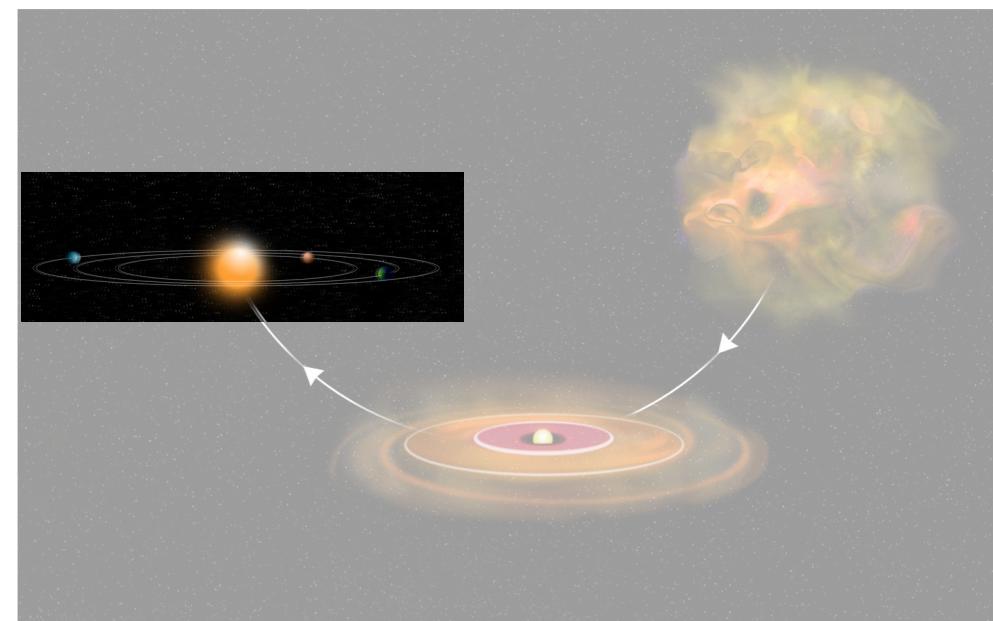
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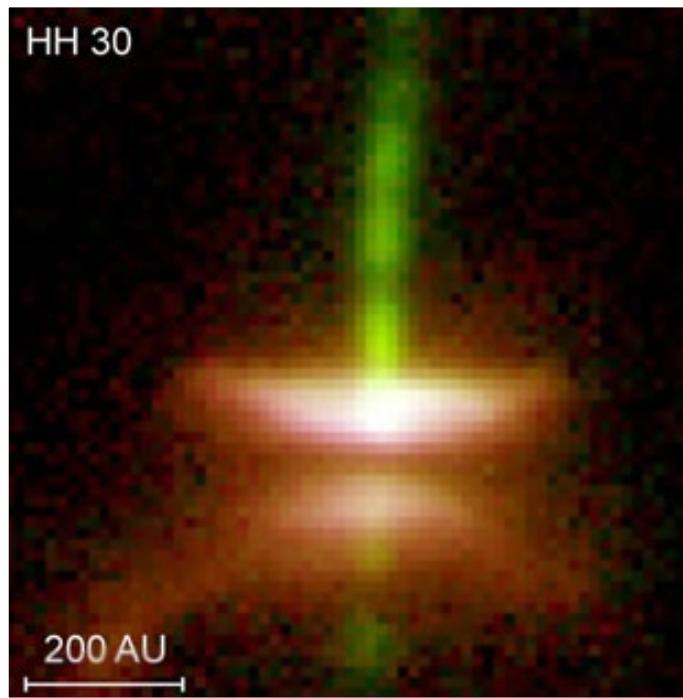


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## Advanced observations

Optical ( $\sim 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ )



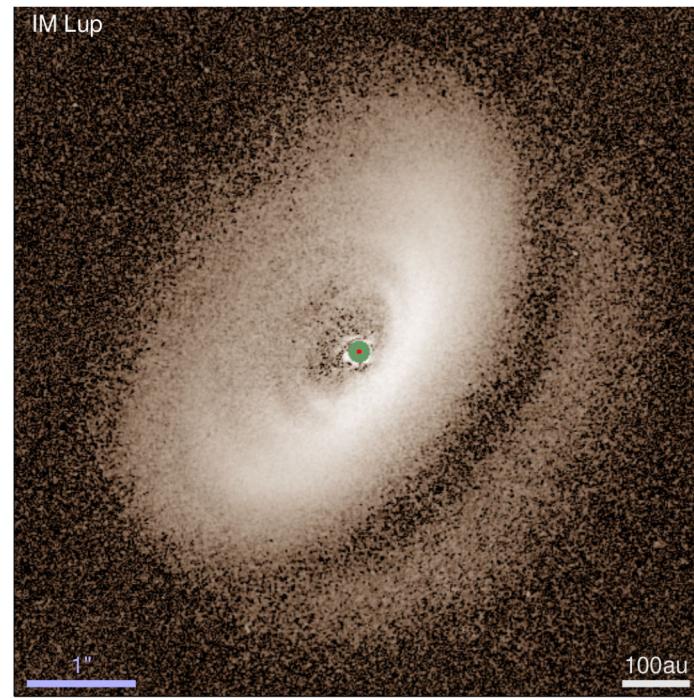
Burrows et al. 1996

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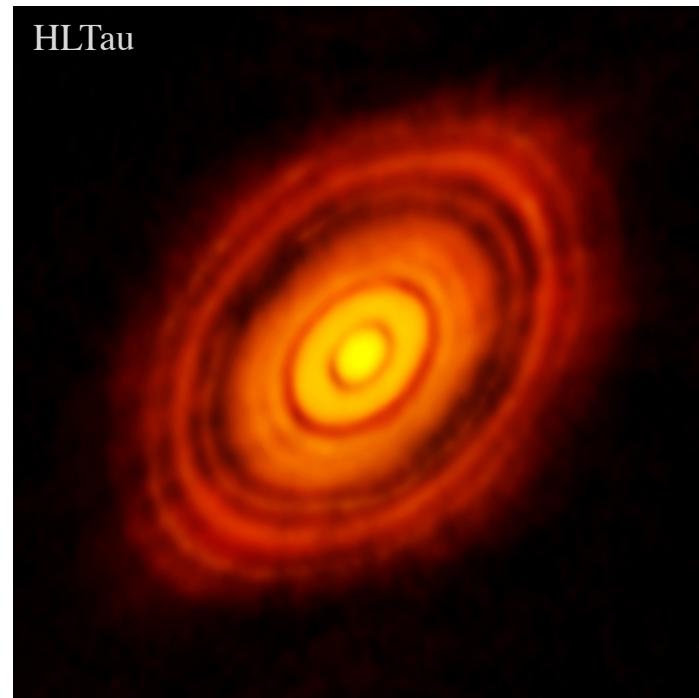
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Near Infrared ( $\sim 2\mu\text{m}$ )



Avenhaus et al. 2018

Radio ( $\sim \text{mm}$ )



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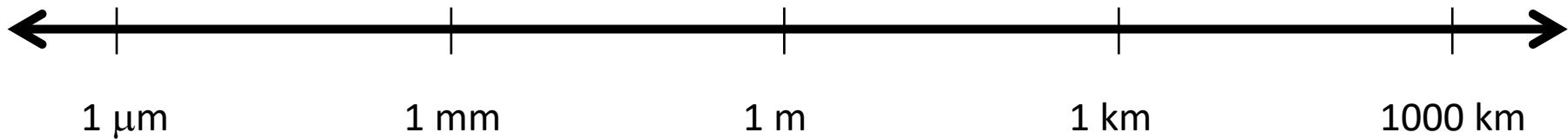
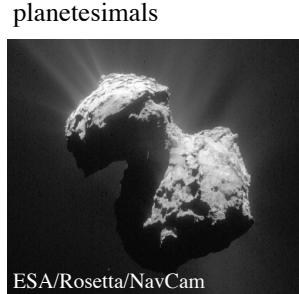
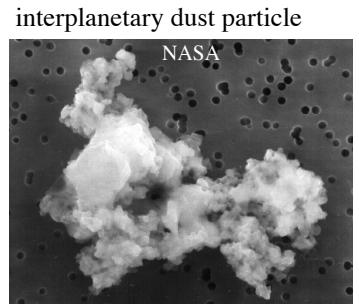
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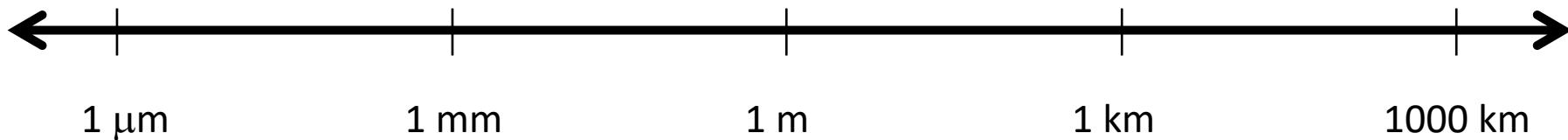
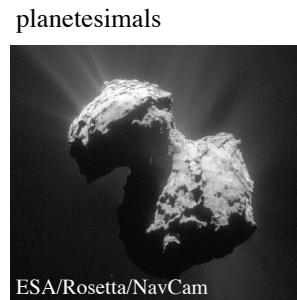
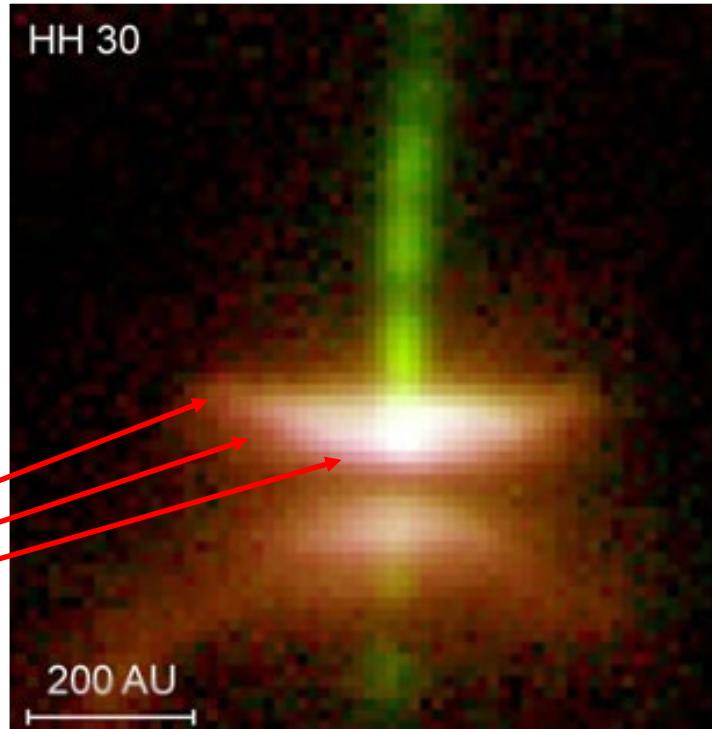
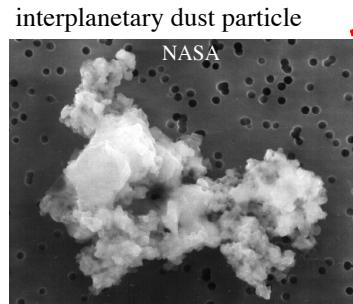
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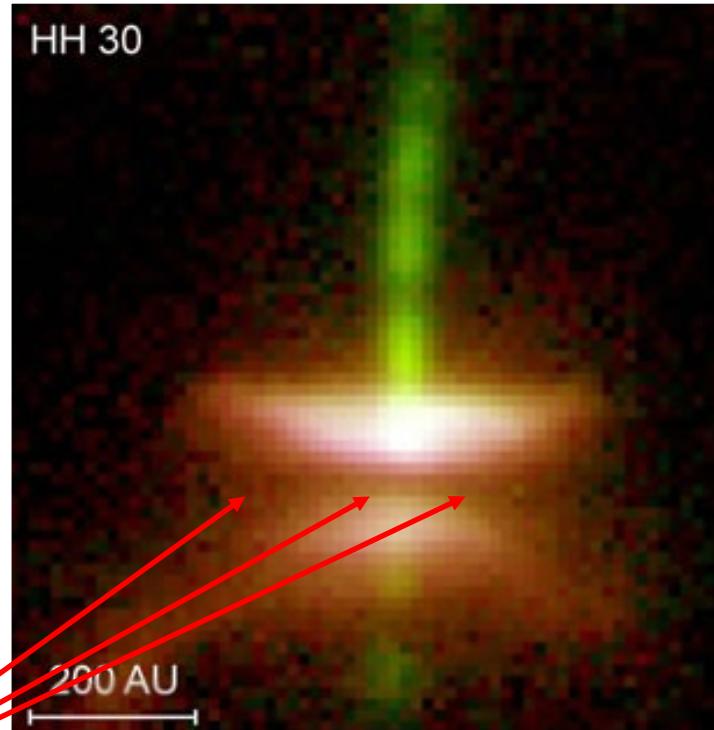
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Small grains reveal the gas disk structure

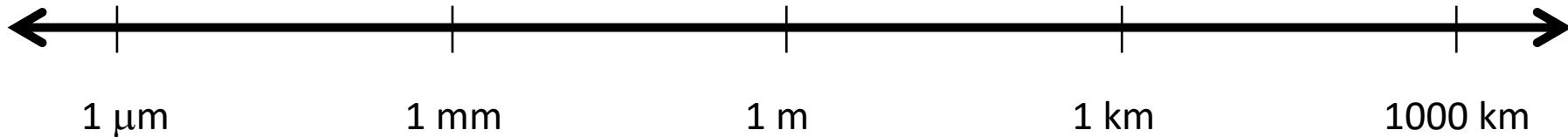
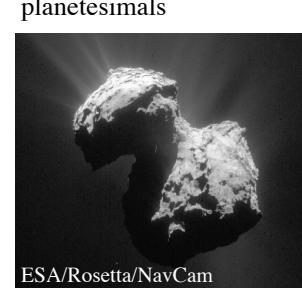
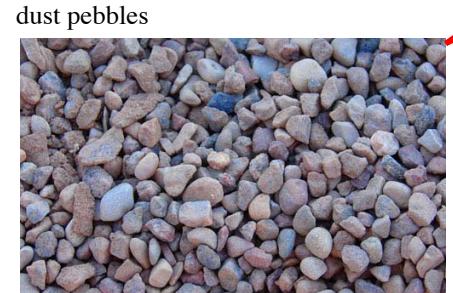
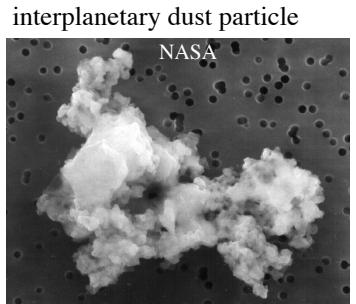


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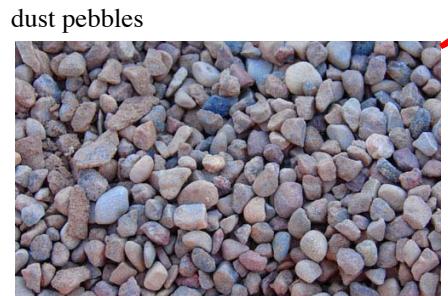
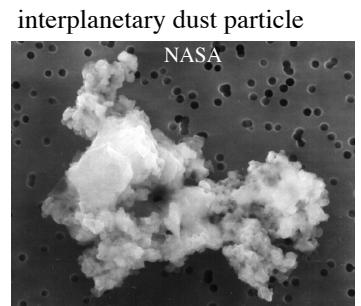


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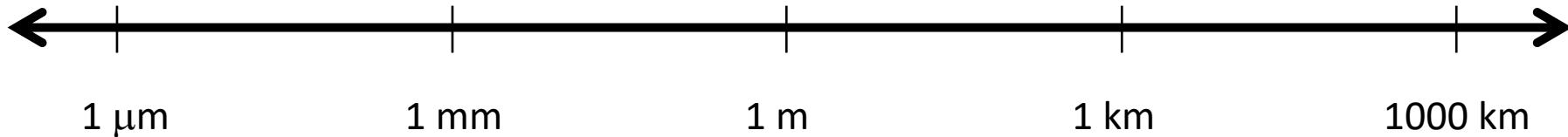
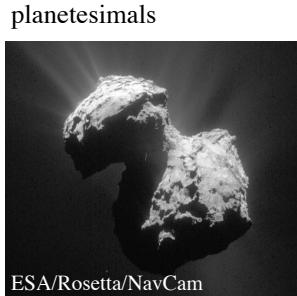
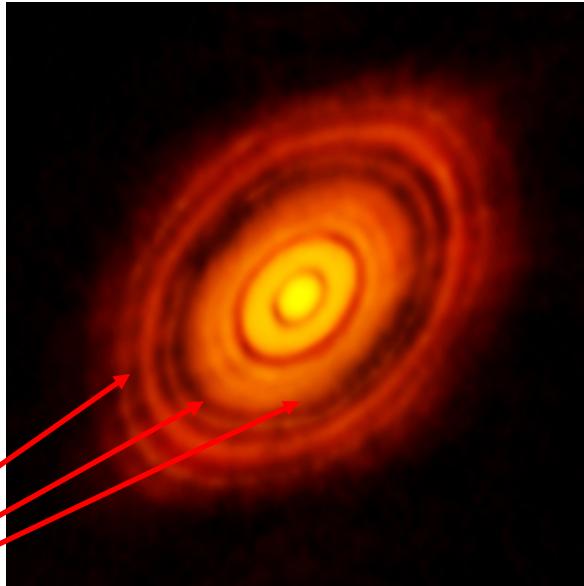


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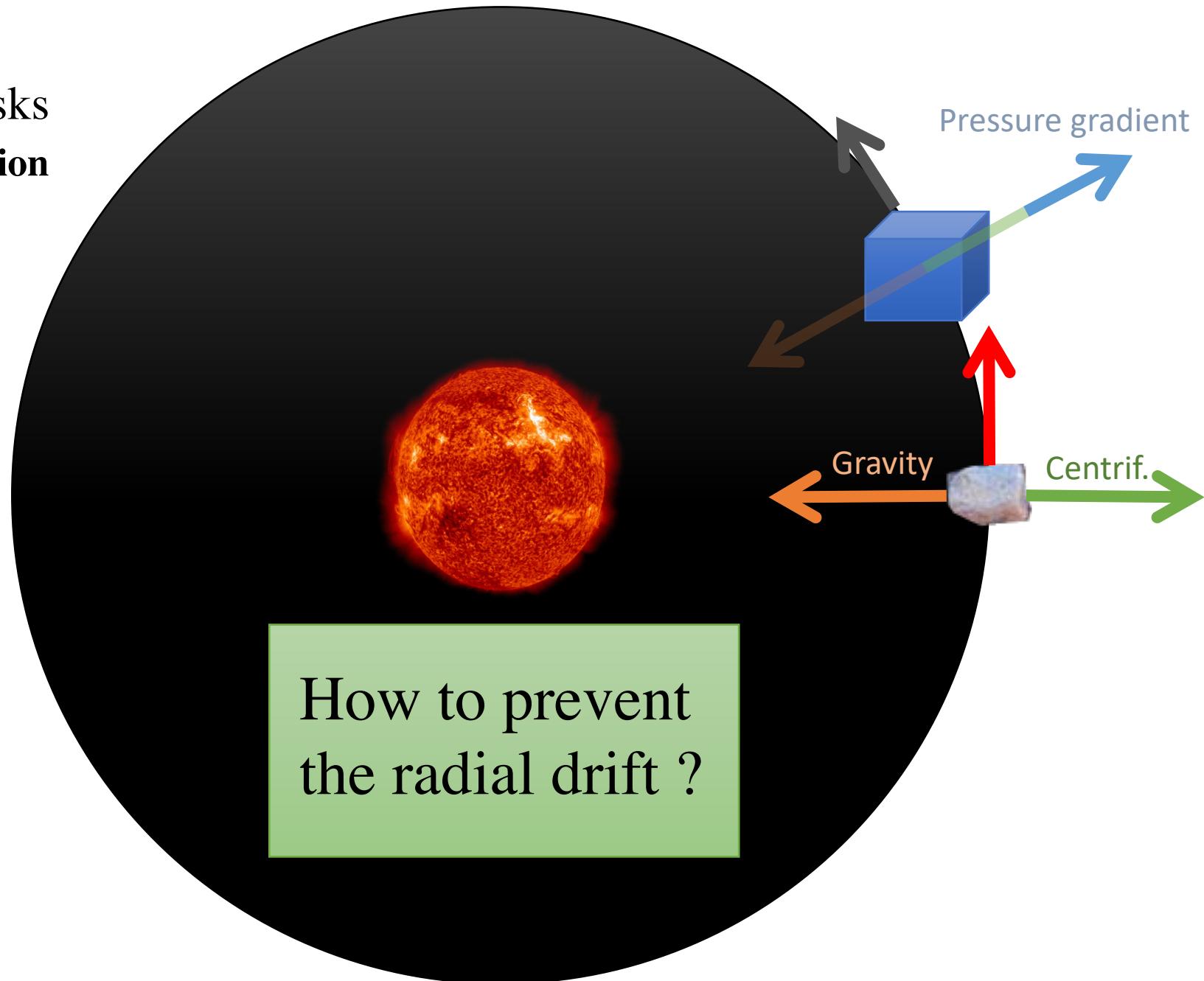


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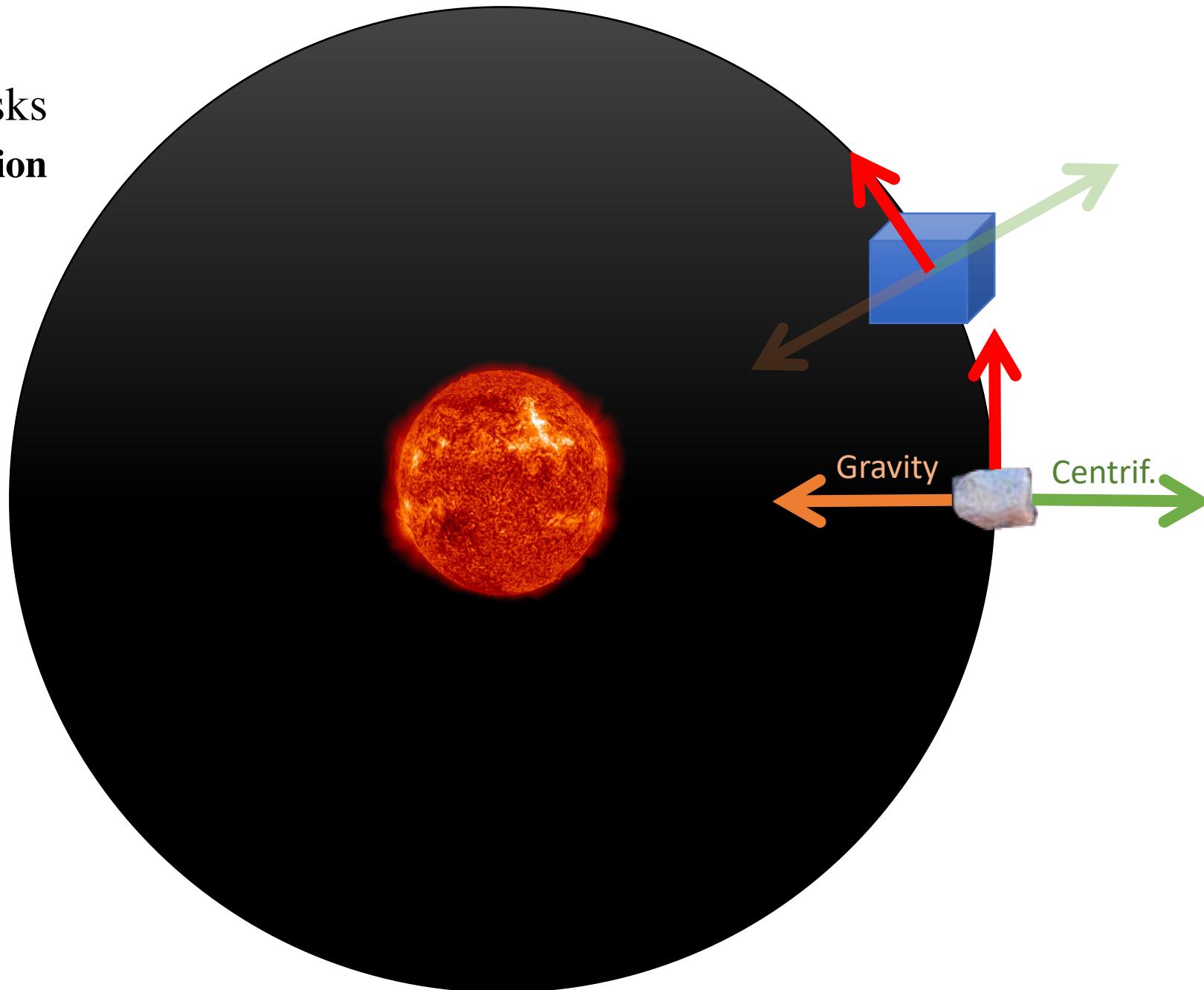
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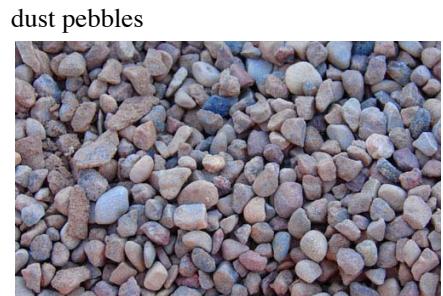
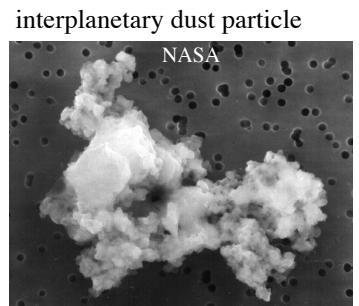


Possible solution:  
**Pebble trap**

$$\text{at } \frac{\partial P}{\partial R} = 0$$

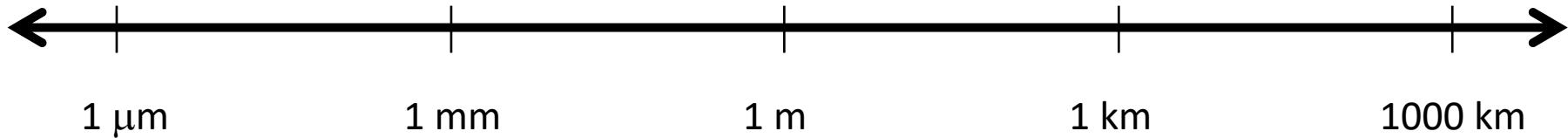
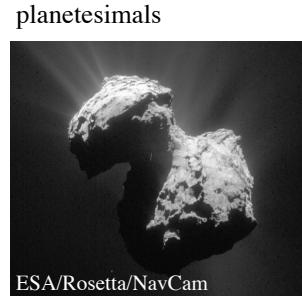
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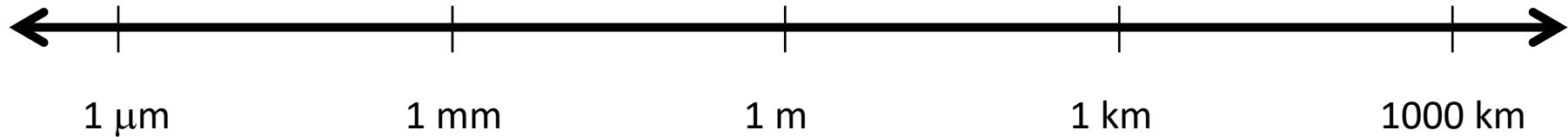
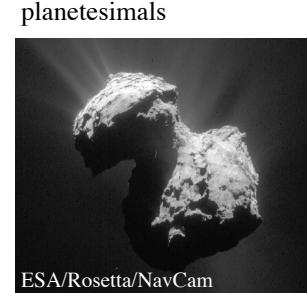
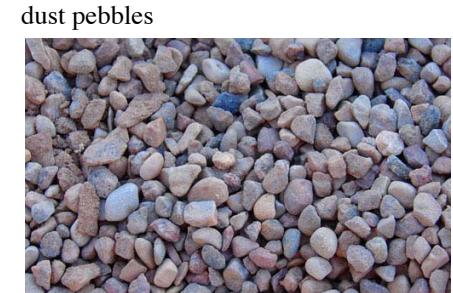
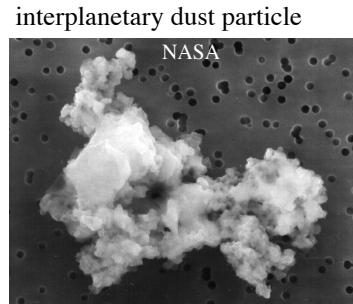
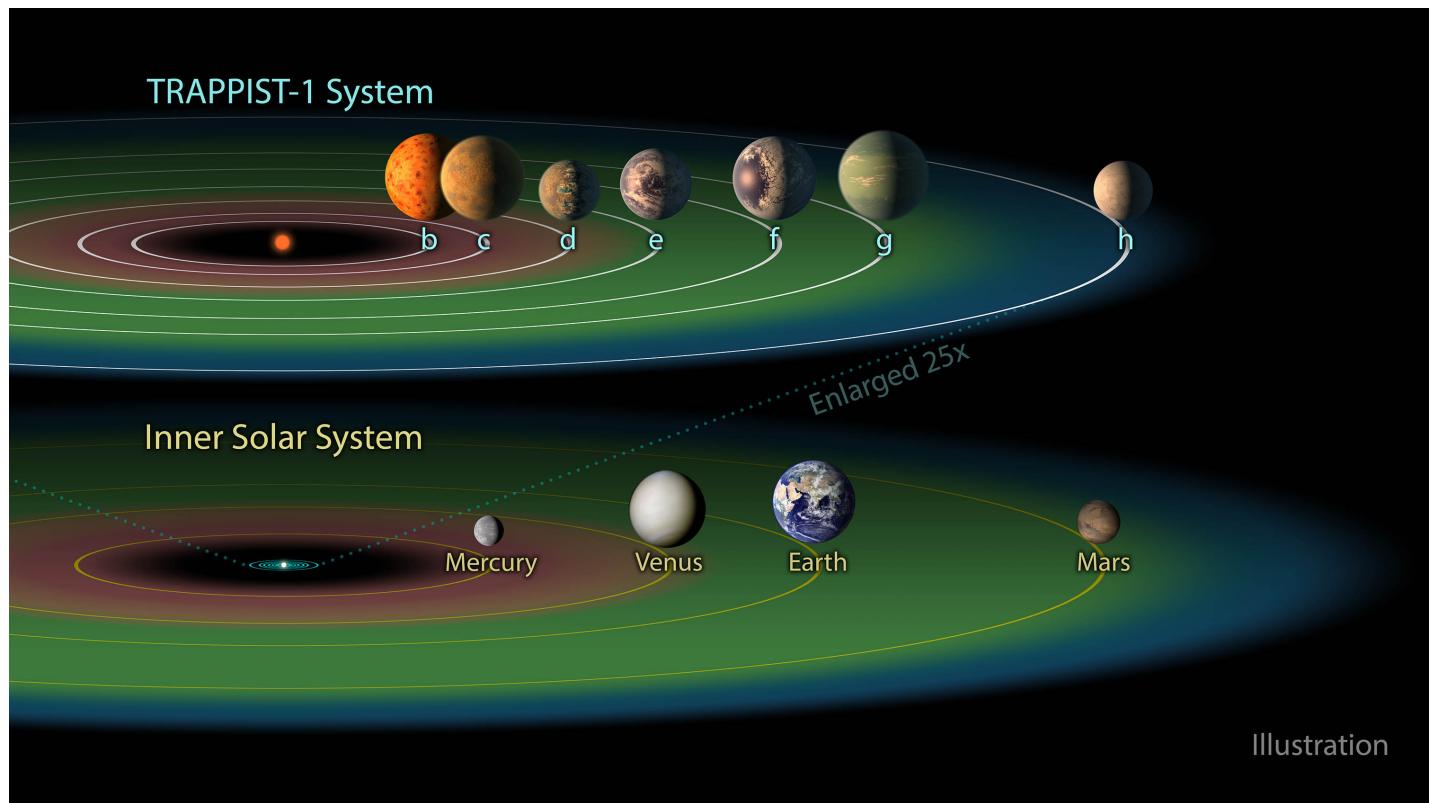
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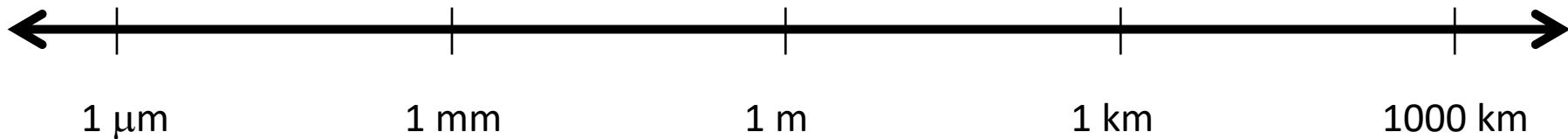
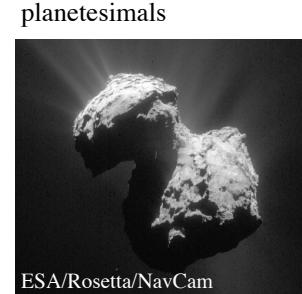
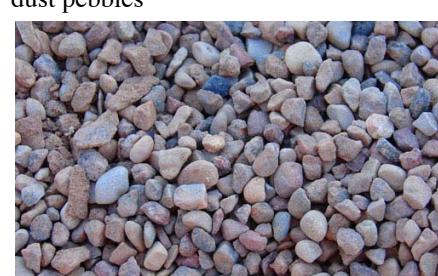
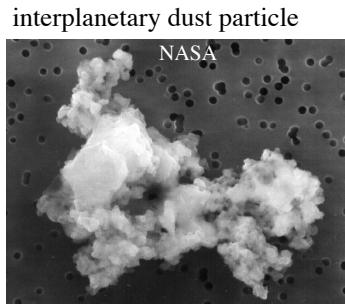
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### Protoplanetary disks

**Theoretical models of accretion disks are crucial to understand the gas and dust evolution**



## Planet formation

Protoplanetary disks  
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#### Die Entwicklung einer um einen Zentralkörper rotierenden Gasmasse

##### I. Lösungen der hydrodynamischen Gleichungen mit turbulenter Reibung

Von REIMAR LÜST

Aus dem Max-Planck-Institut für Physik, Göttingen  
(Z. Naturforsch. **7a**, 87–98 [1952]; eingegangen am 6. September 1951)

Herrn Professor Werner Heisenberg zum 50. Geburtstag

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- a) Eine rotierende Gasmasse löst sich auf, indem ein Teil auf den Zentralkörper fällt, während der andere Teil ins Unendliche entweicht. Durch Konvektion und durch Reibung wird Drehimpuls durch die Gasmasse hindurchtransportiert, ohne daß aber vom Zentralkörper Drehimpulse übernommen würde.

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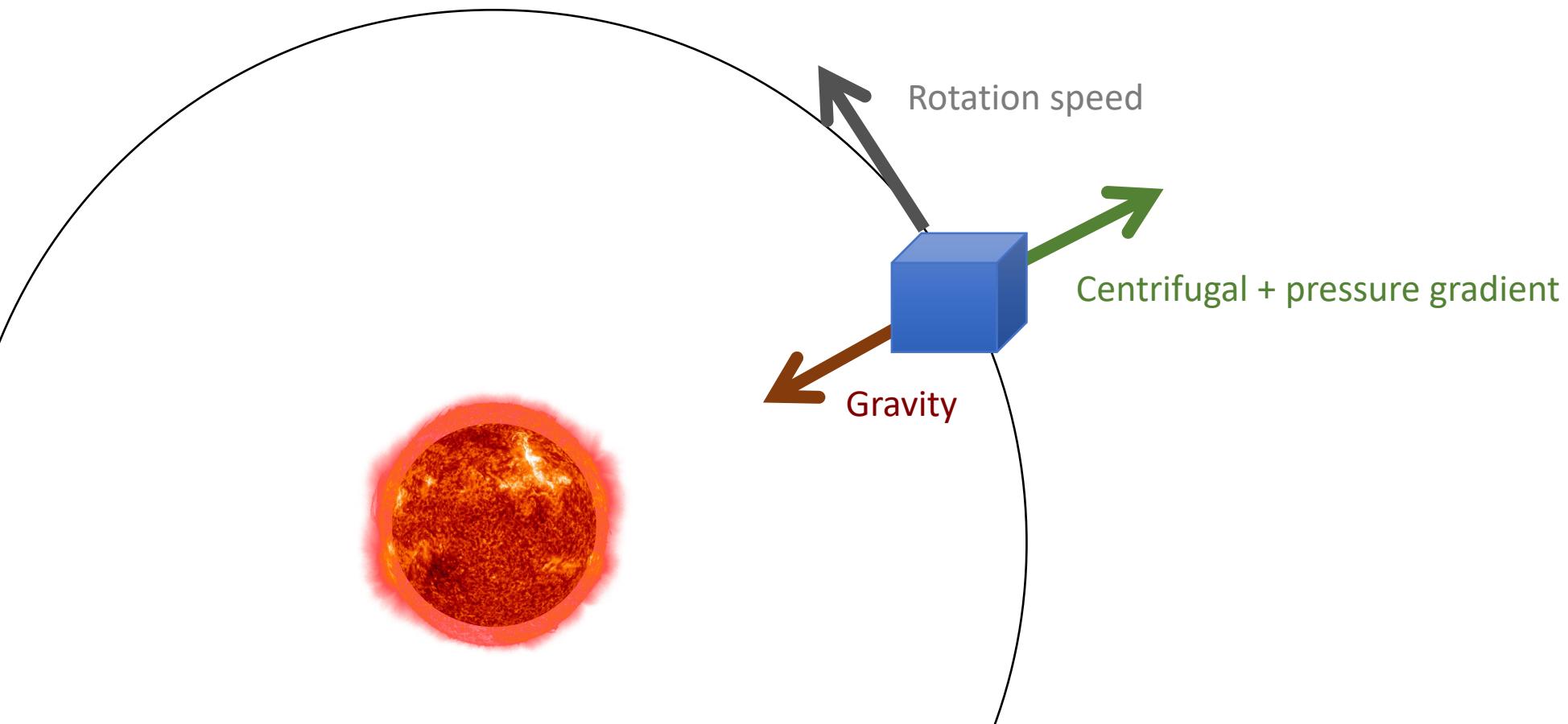
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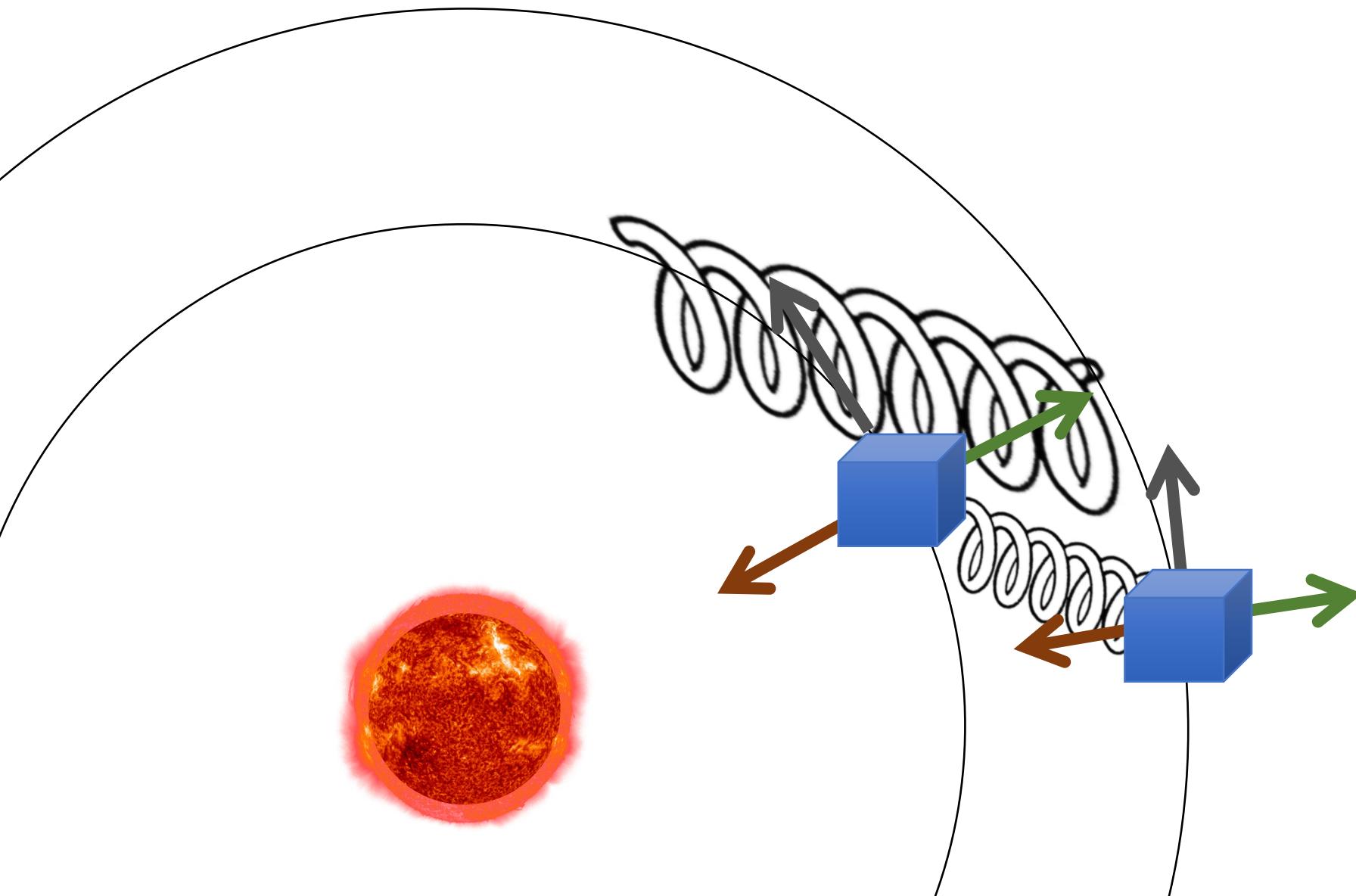
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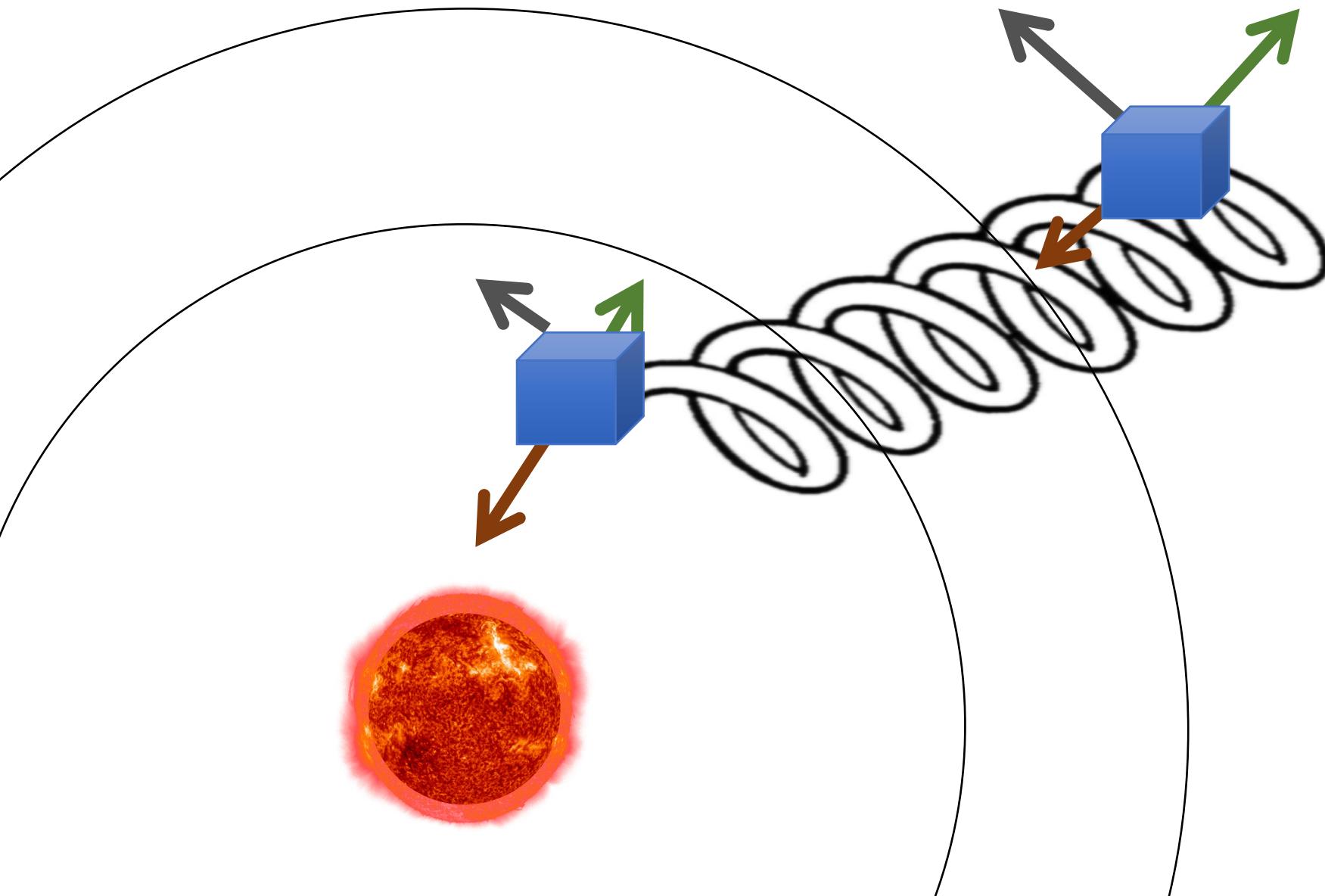
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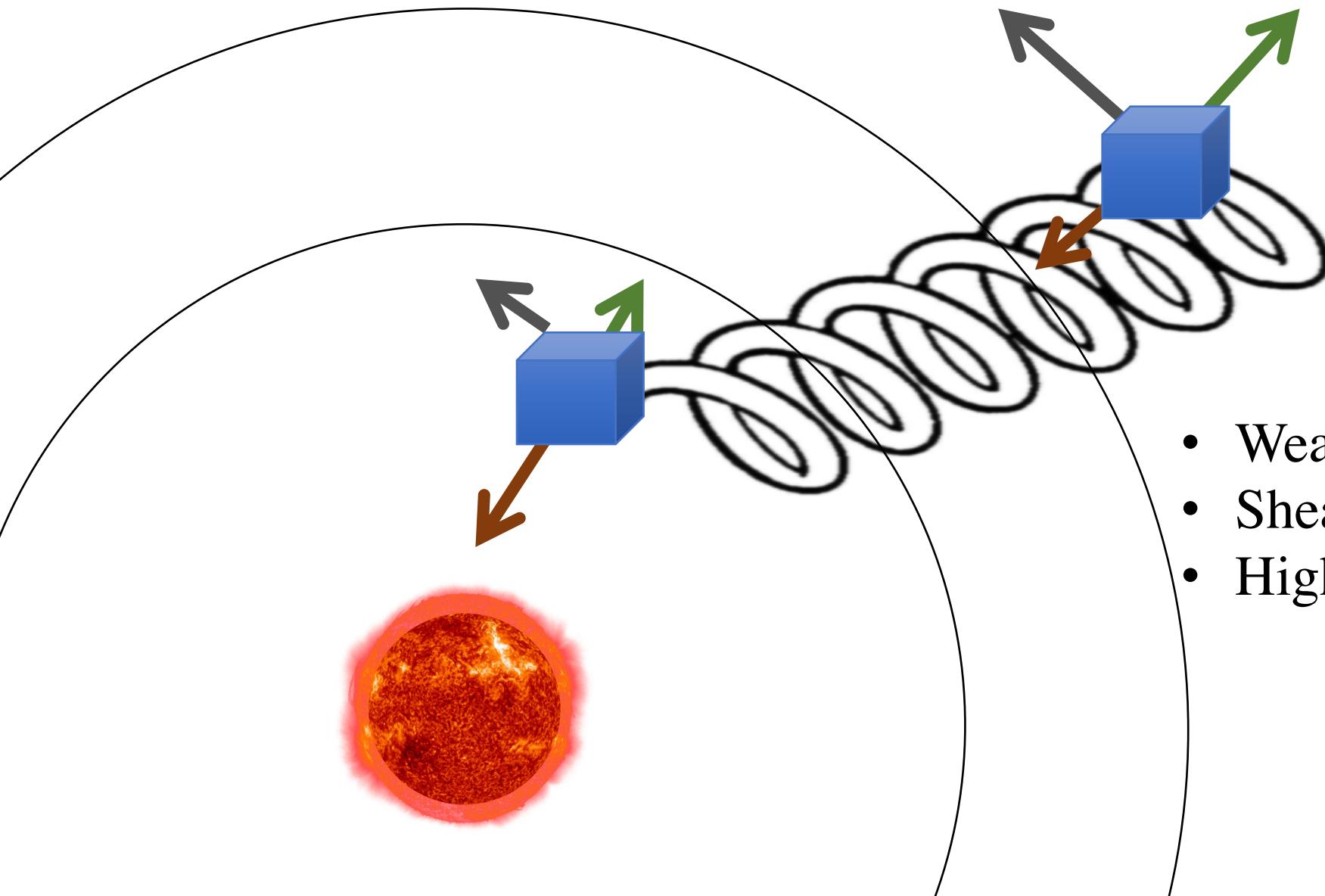
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- Weak magnetic field ( $\beta > 10$ )
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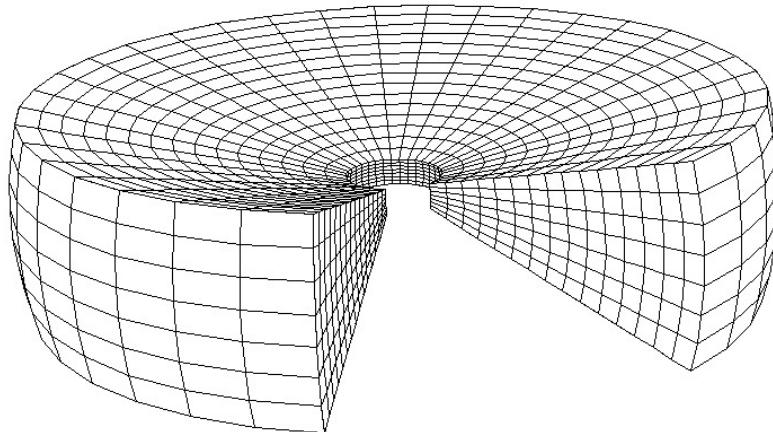
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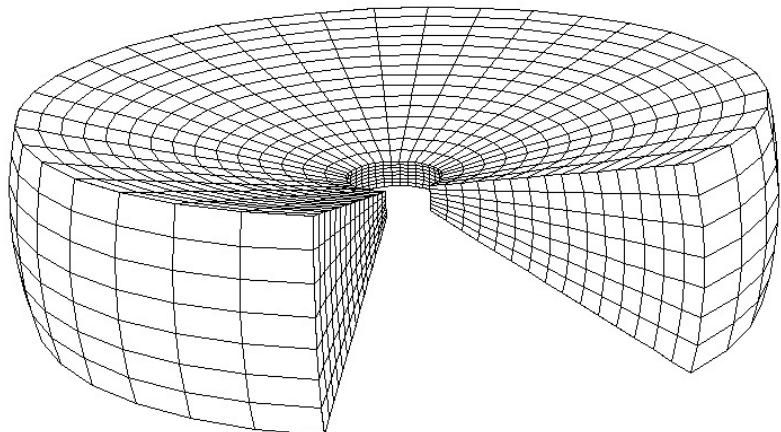
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### Global 3D MHD simulations



- + Many scales and physics
  - + Less boundary effects
  - Computationally expensive
  - Difficult to perform
- (only few groups Princeton, Tokyo, Santa Barbara)

## Research

- The non-linear dynamics in disks
- Dust concentration at the transition regions

## Research

Flock et al. 2010 A&A

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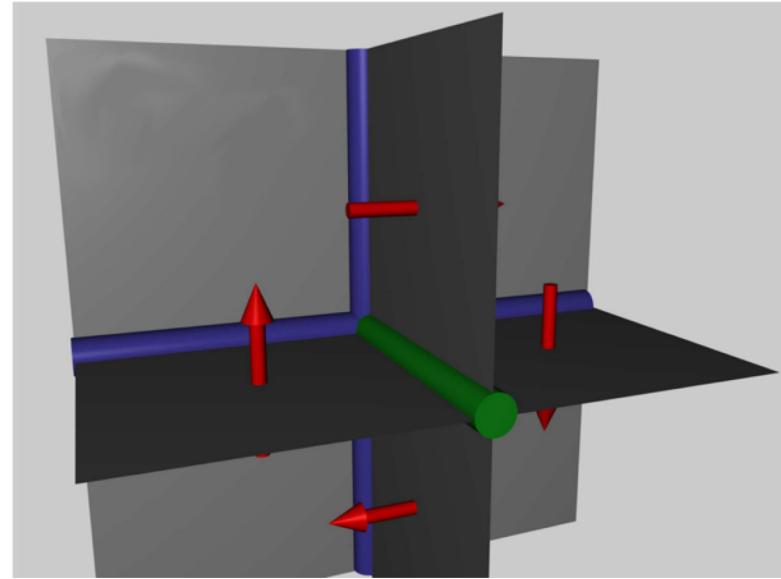
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Grid cell and interface



$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$  with hybrid scheme:  
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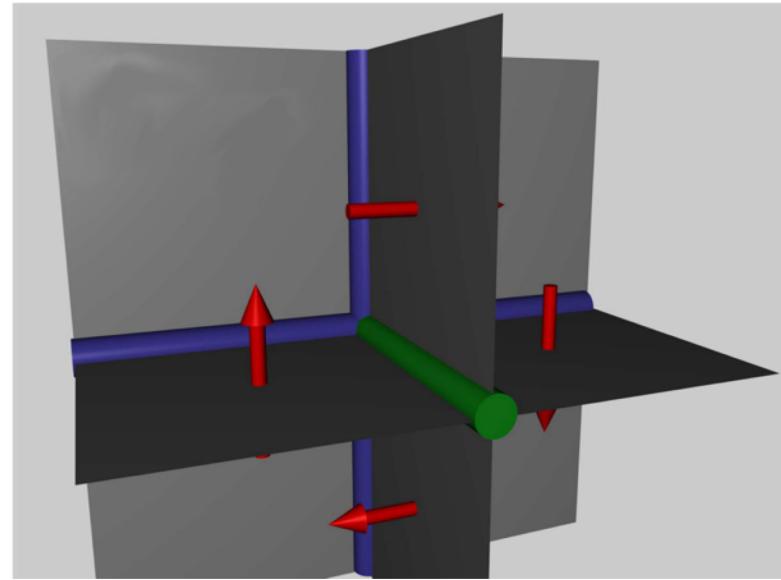
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Grid cell and interface



- Conservation of mass, momentum energy and  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$  at machine accuracy
- Second order in time and space
- Shock capturing (Riemann problem at cell interface)

PLUTO code (Mignone et al. 2007)

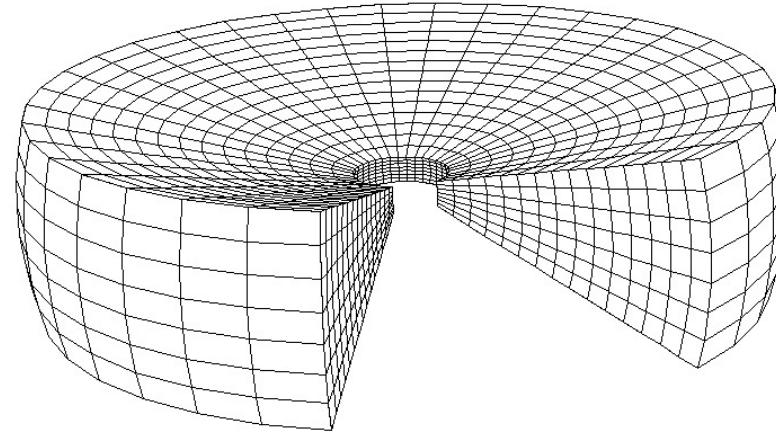
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# Detail and long-term study of the MRI in the non-linear regime

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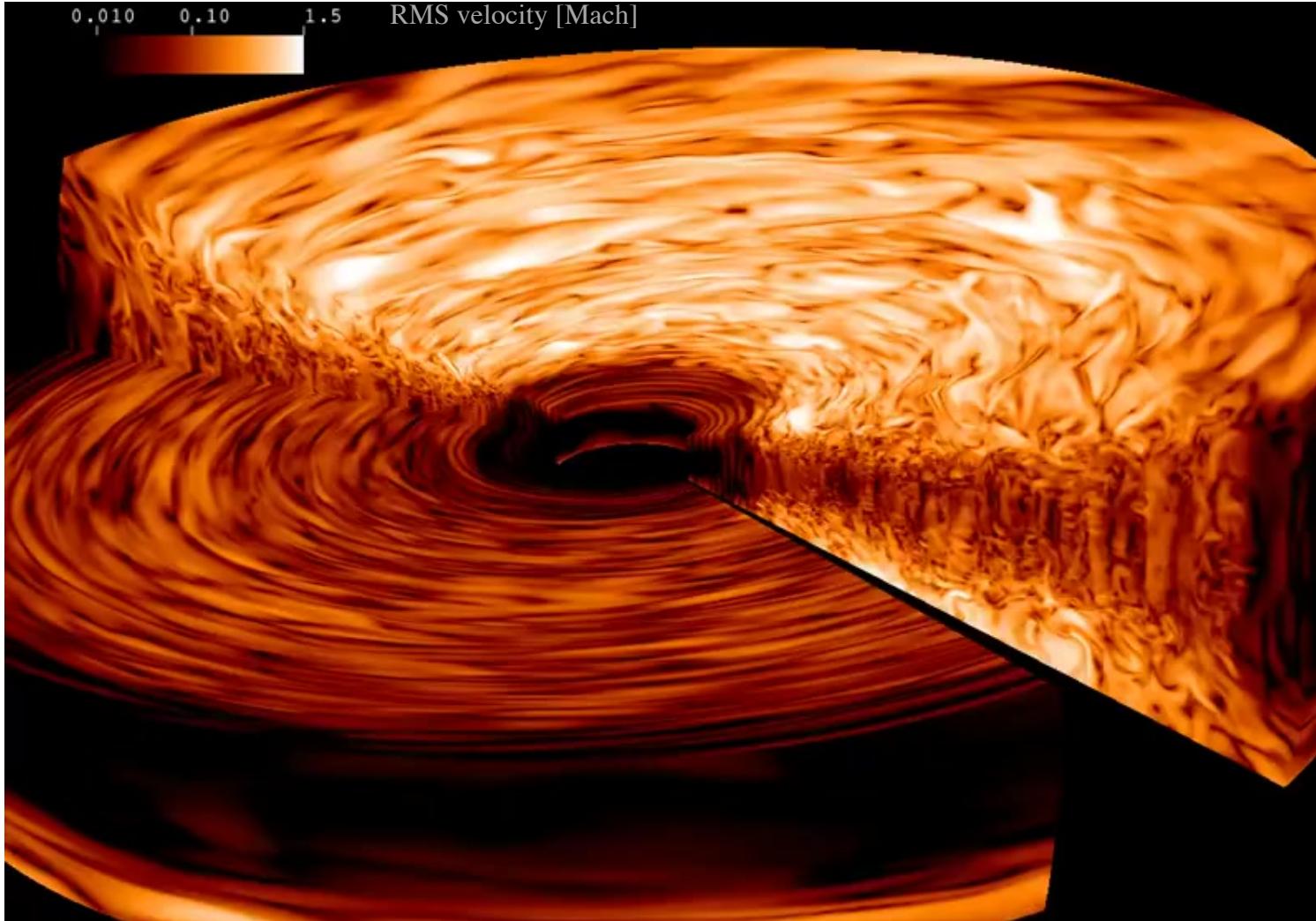
- radial and vertical density stratification
- toroidal magnetic field ( $\beta=25$ )
- outflow boundary condition
- spherical geometry



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on BlueGene/P

Similar model and resolution  
by Zhu & Stone 2018

## Research

Flock et al. 2011 ApJ

### **Detail and long-term study of the MRI in the non-linear regime**

- Steady state  $\alpha$  value of 0.1 to 0.01
- Strong vertical gradient of turbulent activity

## Research

Flock et al. 2013 A&A

### Radiation magneto-hydrodynamical equations

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#### **Flux-limited diffusion + irradiation**

- implicit time integration
- BICGStab to solve the matrix inversion

# Research

Flock et al. 2013 A&A

## 3D radiation magneto-hydrodynamical simulations + irradiation

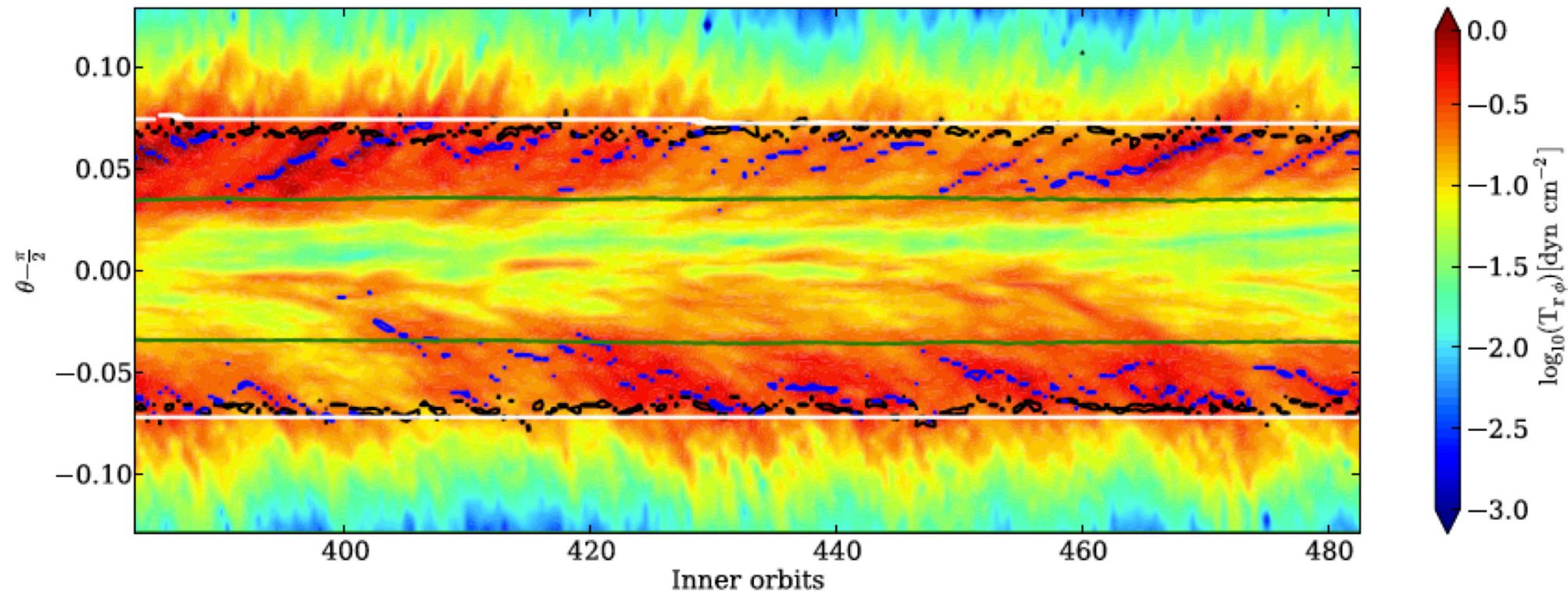
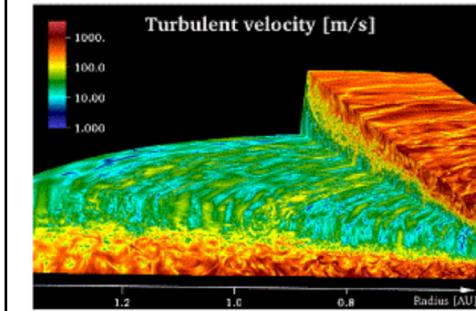
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Radiation magnetohydrodynamics in global simulations of protoplanetary discs

by M. Flock, S. Fromang, M. González, and B. Commerçon, [A&A 560, A43](#)

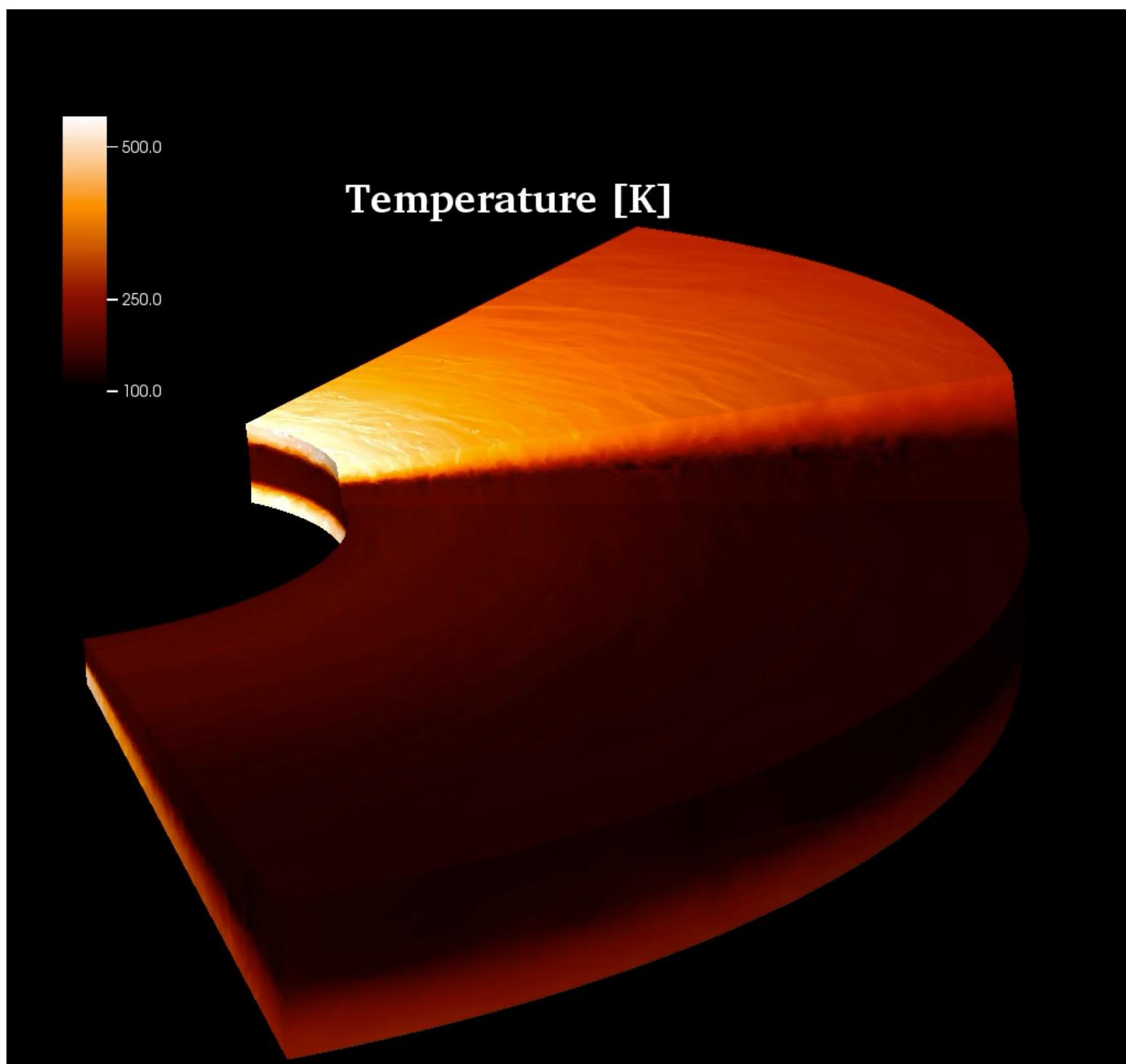
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## Research

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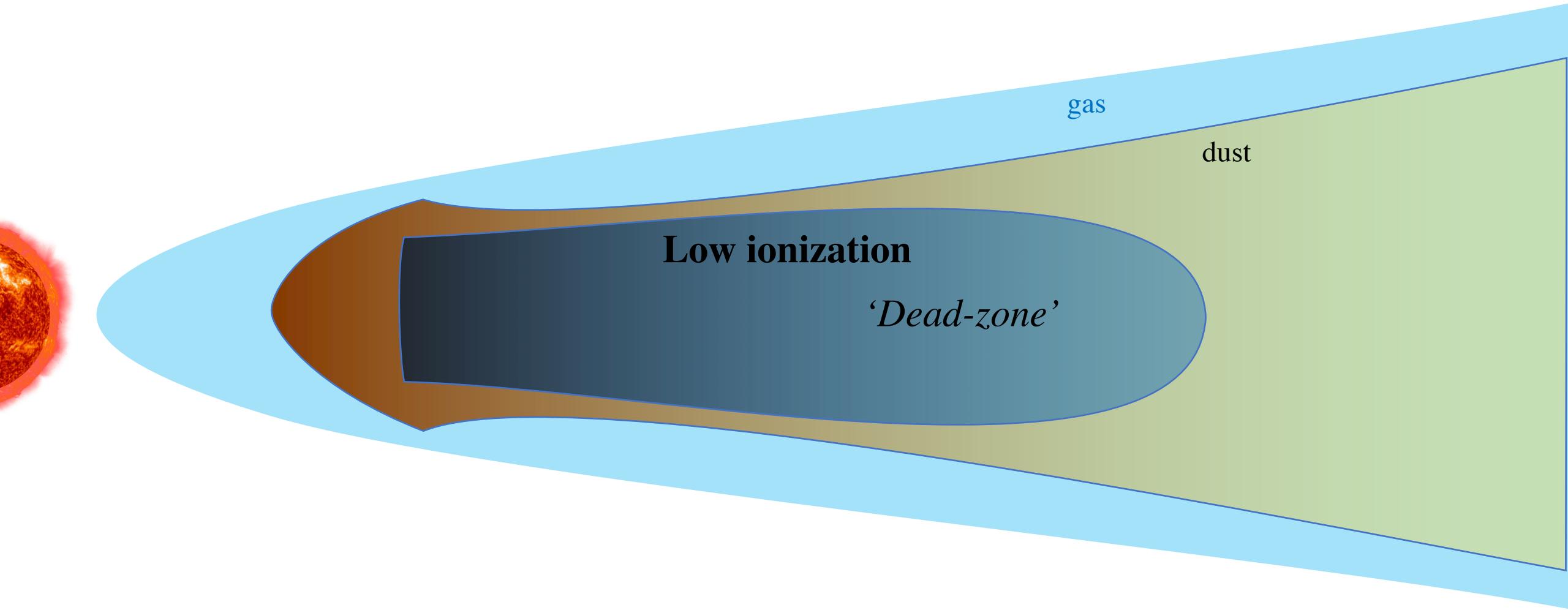
- New turbulence level
- Realistic temperature profile
- Enables to compare with observations



## Research

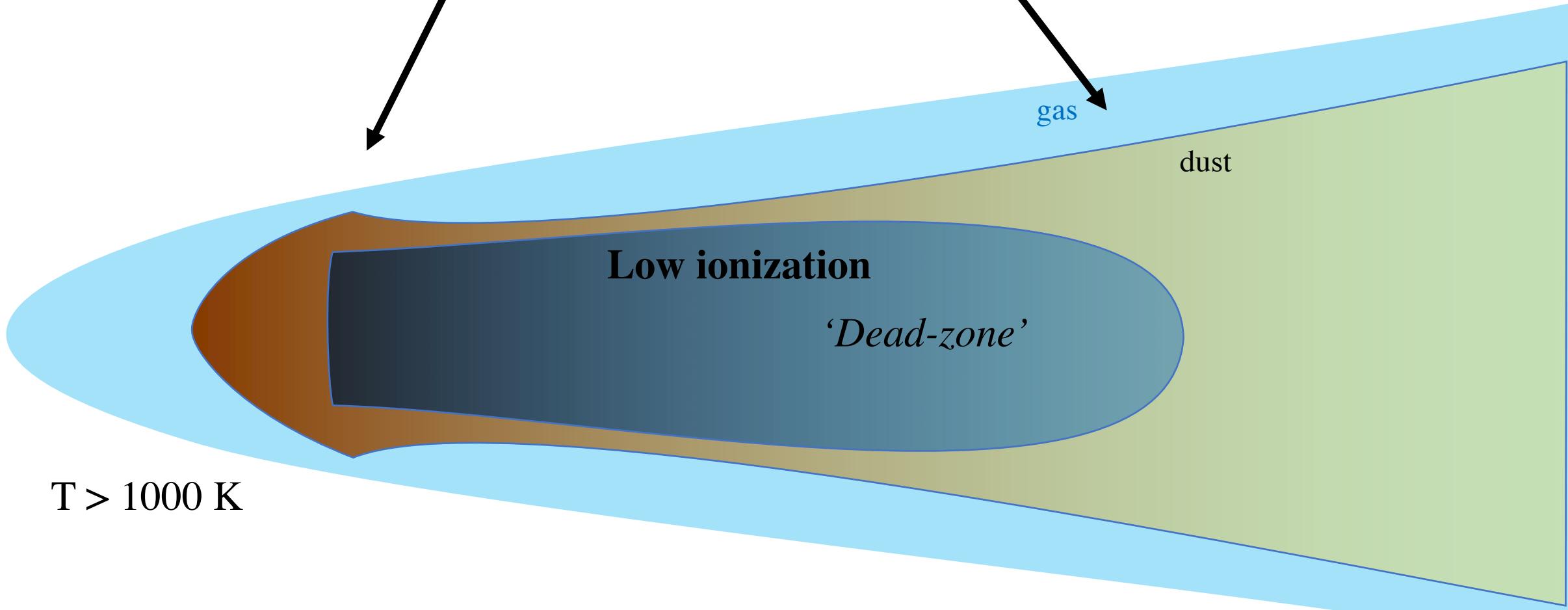
- The non-linear dynamics in disks
- Dust concentration at the transition regions**

## Research



## Research

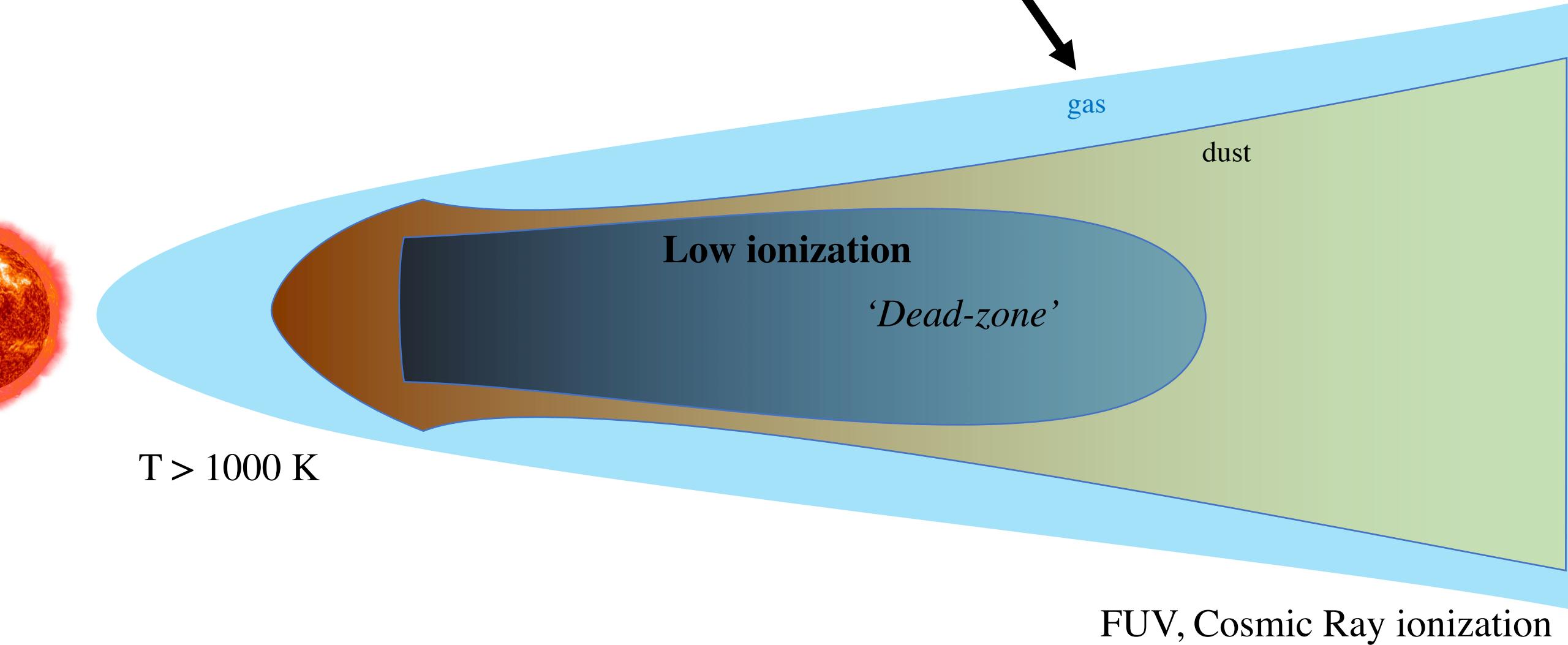
### **Ionization transition regions**



FUV, Cosmic Ray ionization

## Research

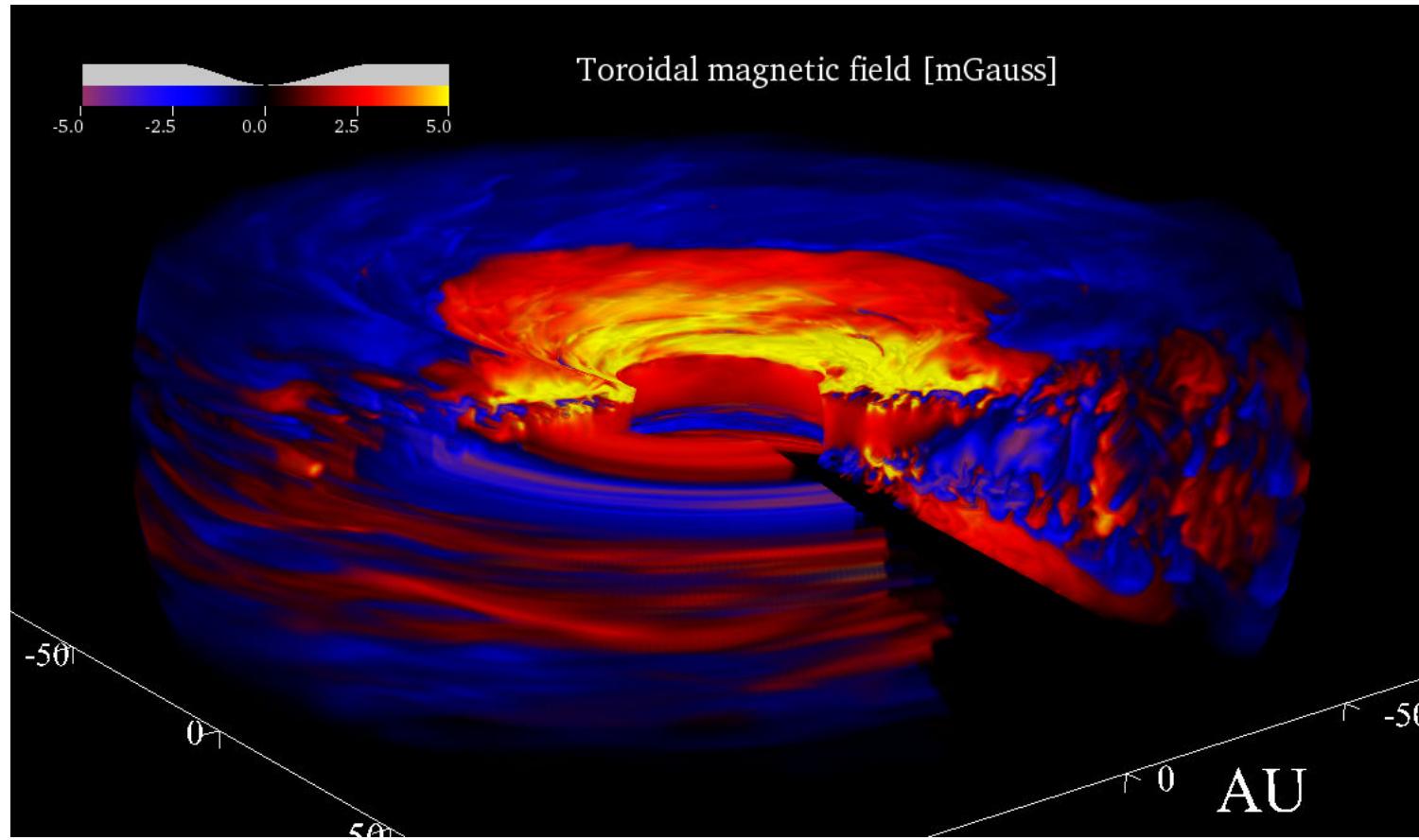
### **Ionization transition regions**



# Research

Flock et al. 2015 A&A

## Global 3D non-ideal MHD simulations

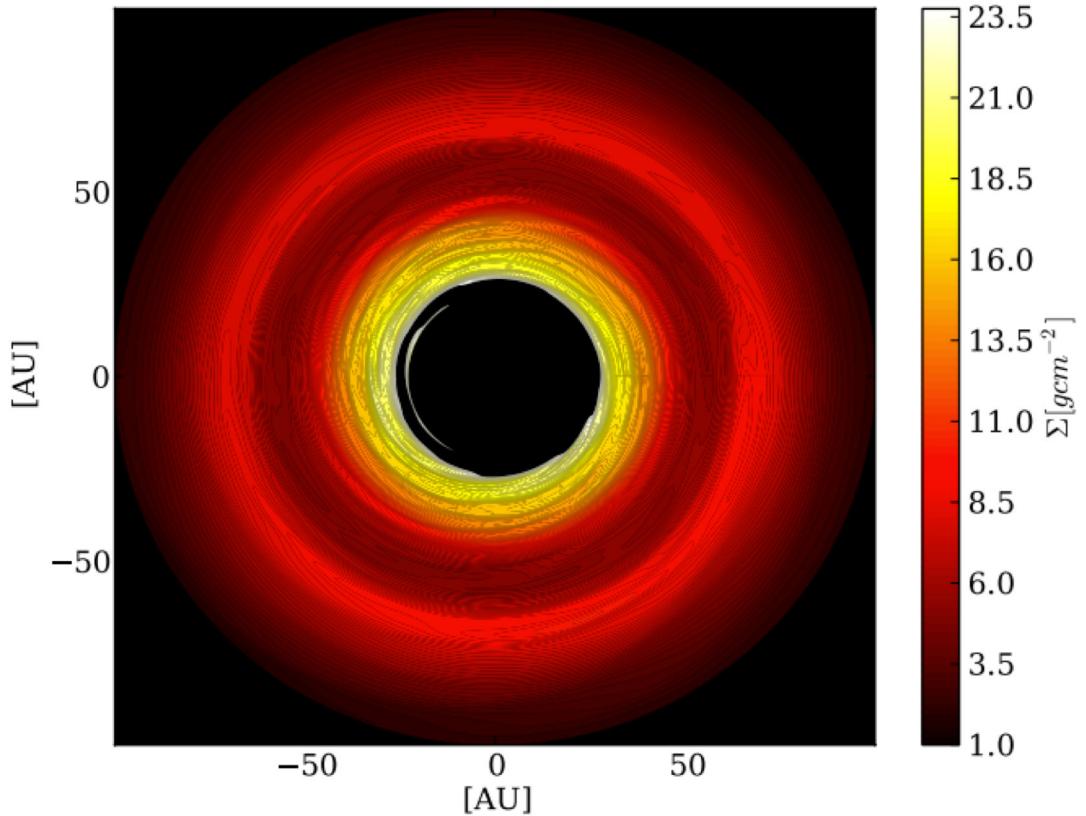


# Research

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## Global 3D non-ideal MHD simulations

Surface density

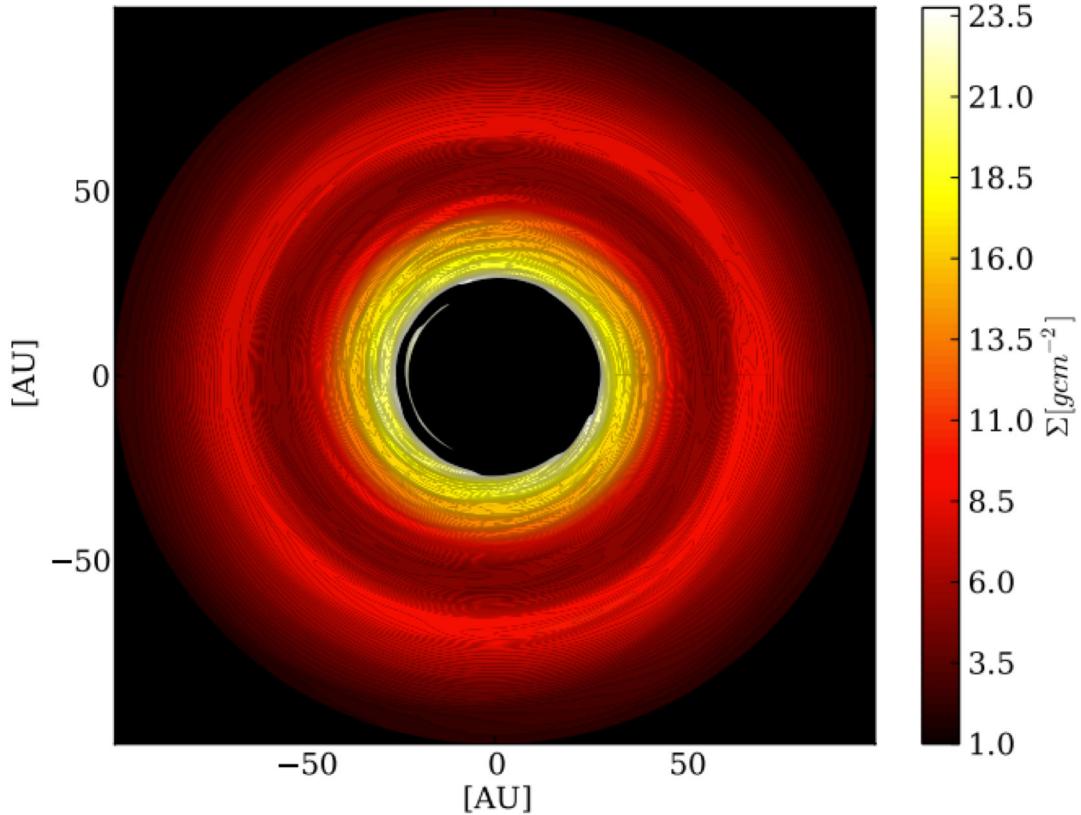


# Research

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## Global 3D non-ideal MHD simulations

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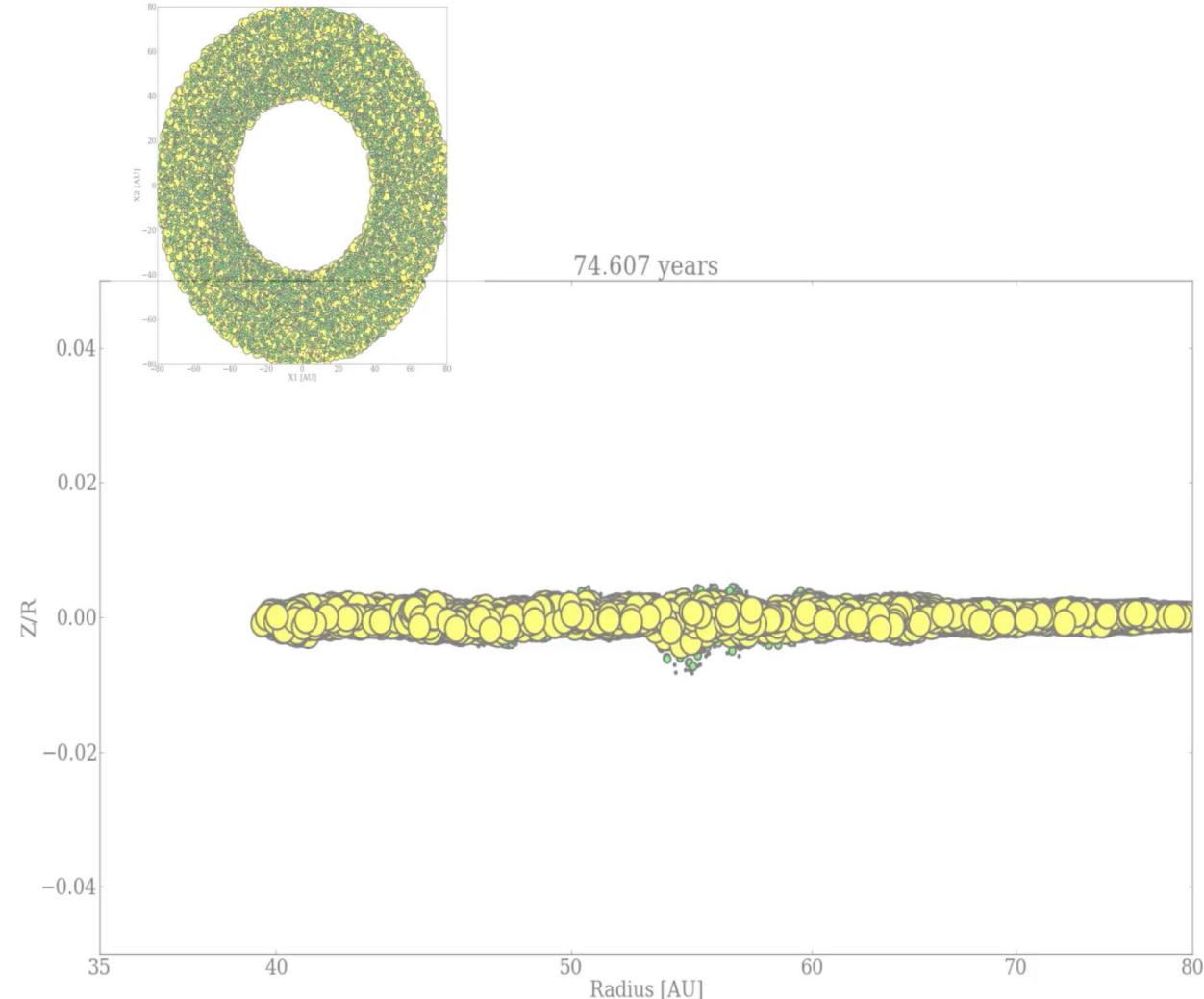


$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial R} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{concentration of grains}$$

## Research

Ruge, Flock et al. 2016 A&A

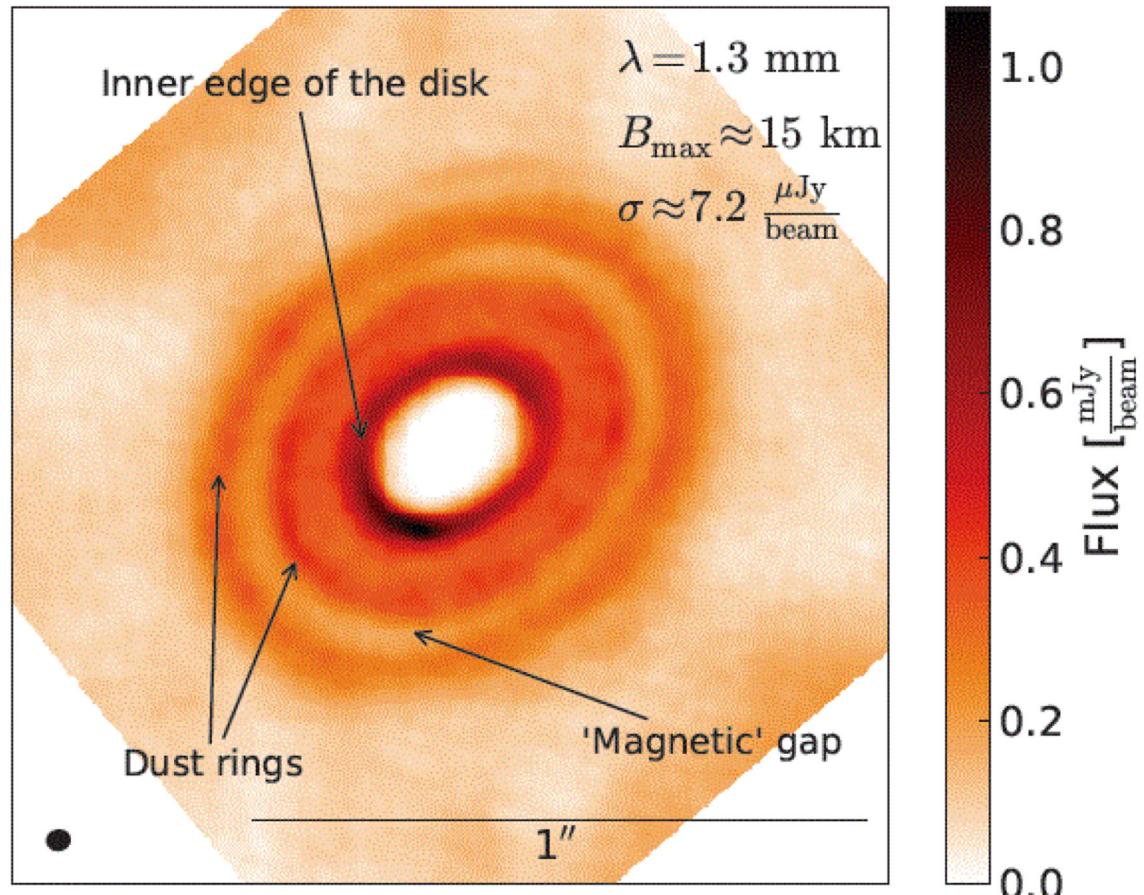
### Gas and dust global 3D MHD simulations



## Research

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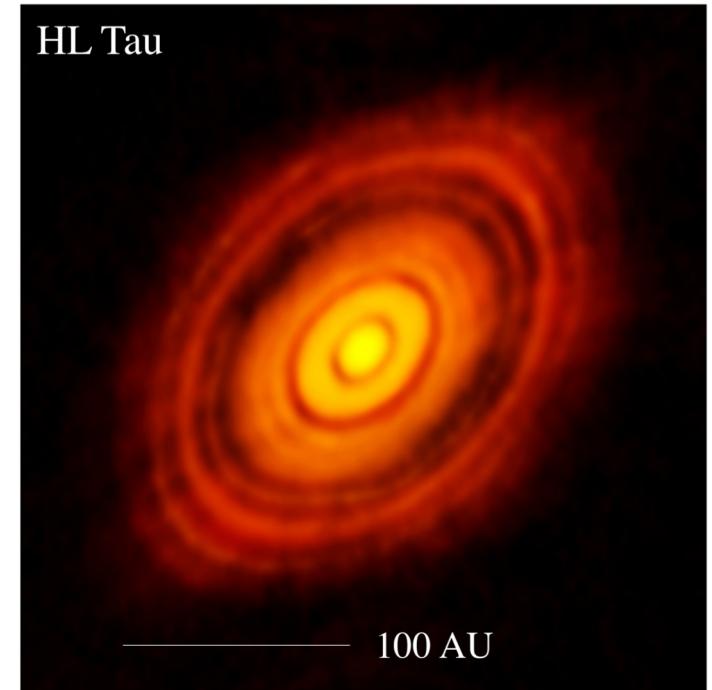
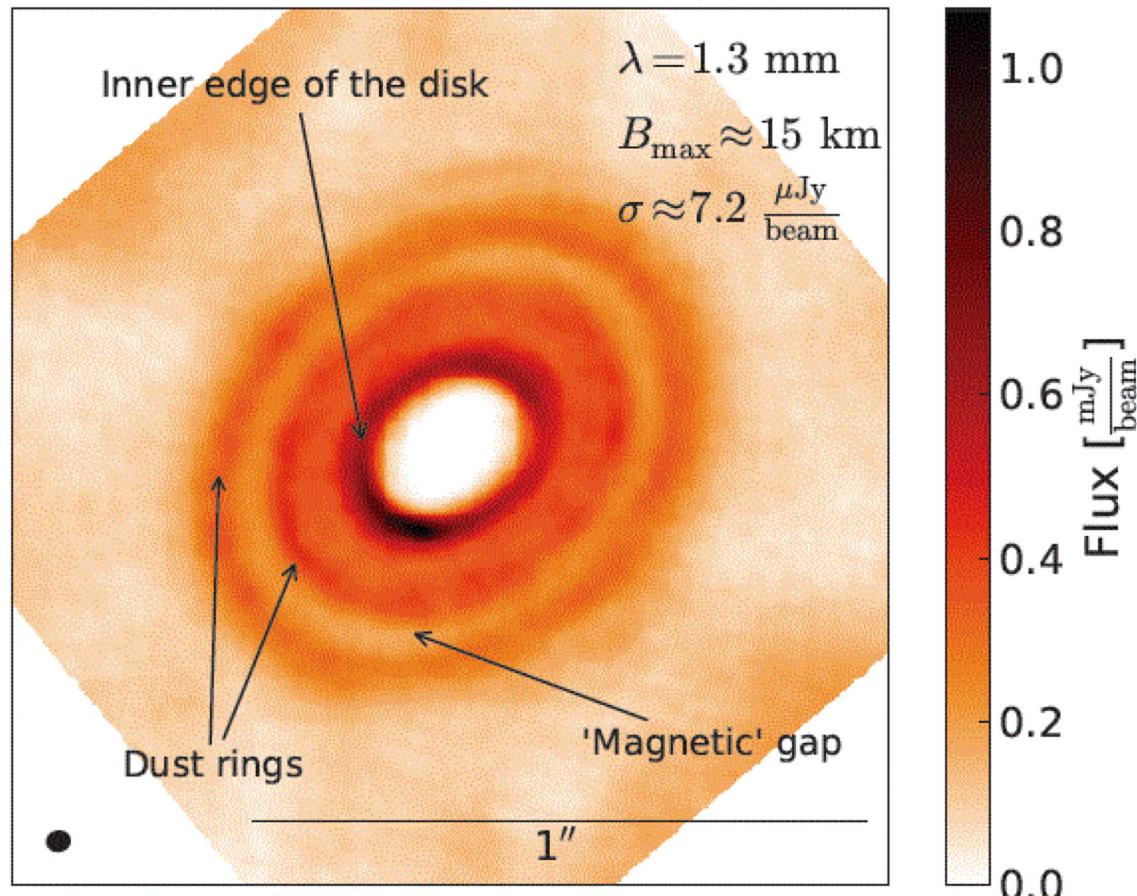
### Synthetic ALMA observation of the global model



## Research

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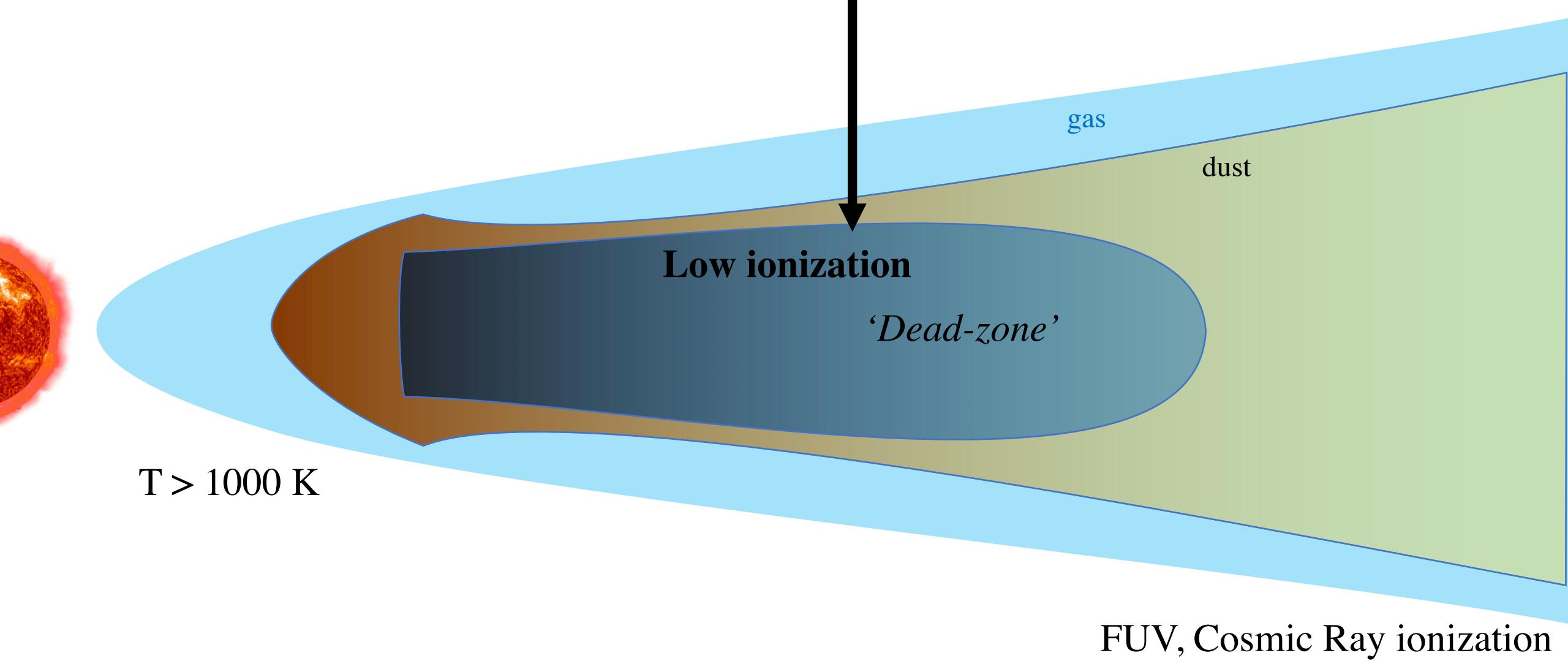
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**Magnetic effects can cause dust concentrations and ring formation**

## Research

### ‘Dead-zone’ regions



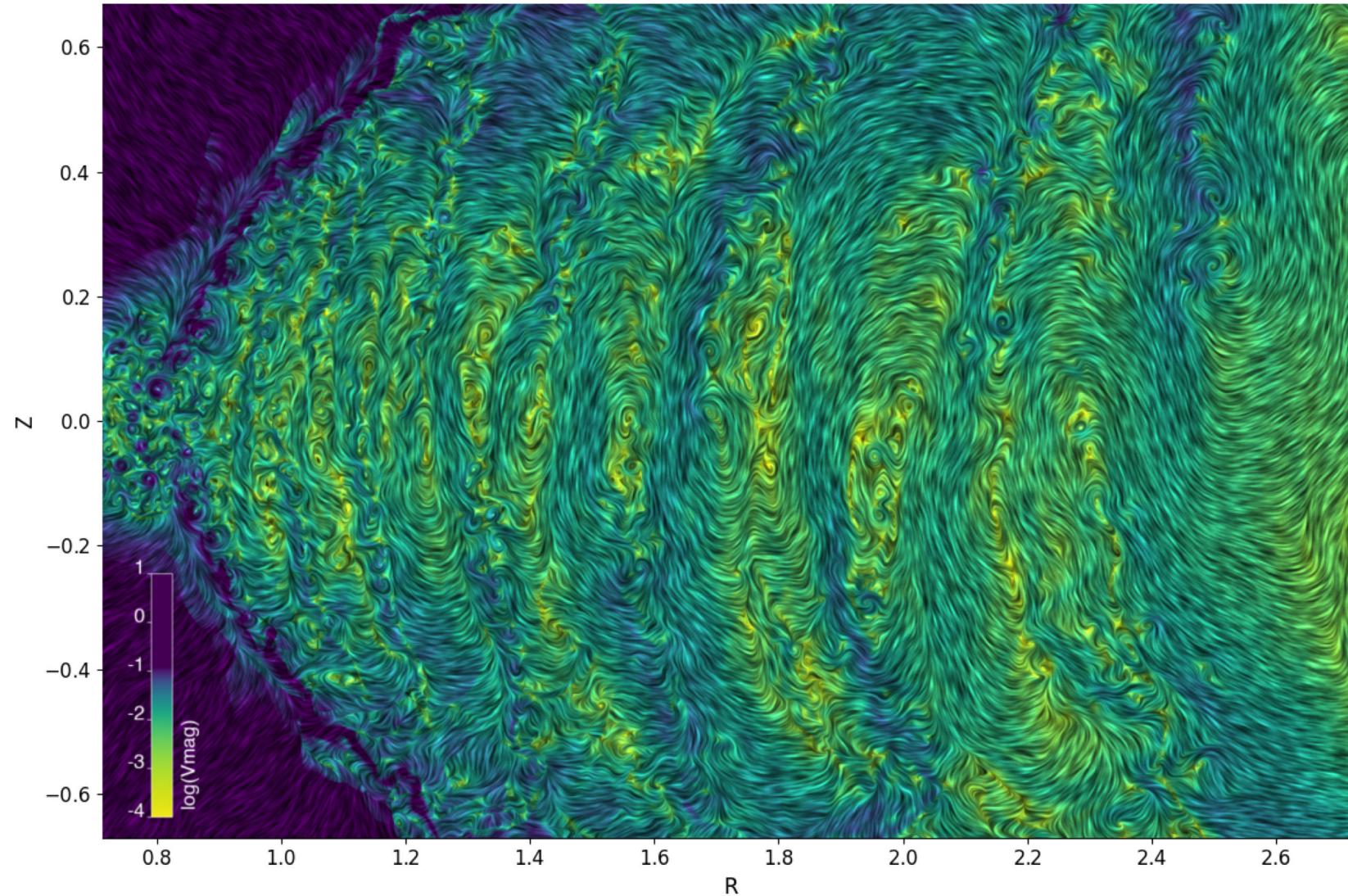
## Research

Flock et al. 2020 ApJ

Flores-Rivera, Flock et al. 2020 A&A

# Vertical shear instability in low ionized disks

*High-resolution 2D hydrodynamical simulations*



Line integral convolution  
(LIC)

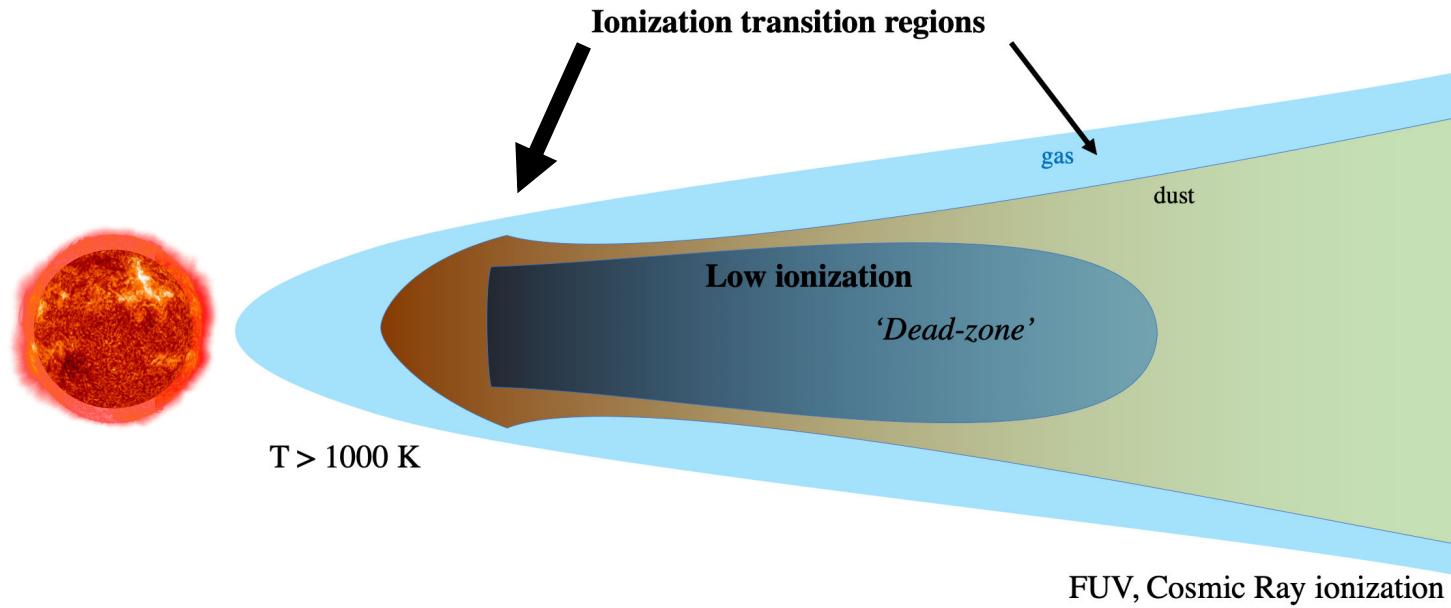
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# The inner disk as birthplaces of planets



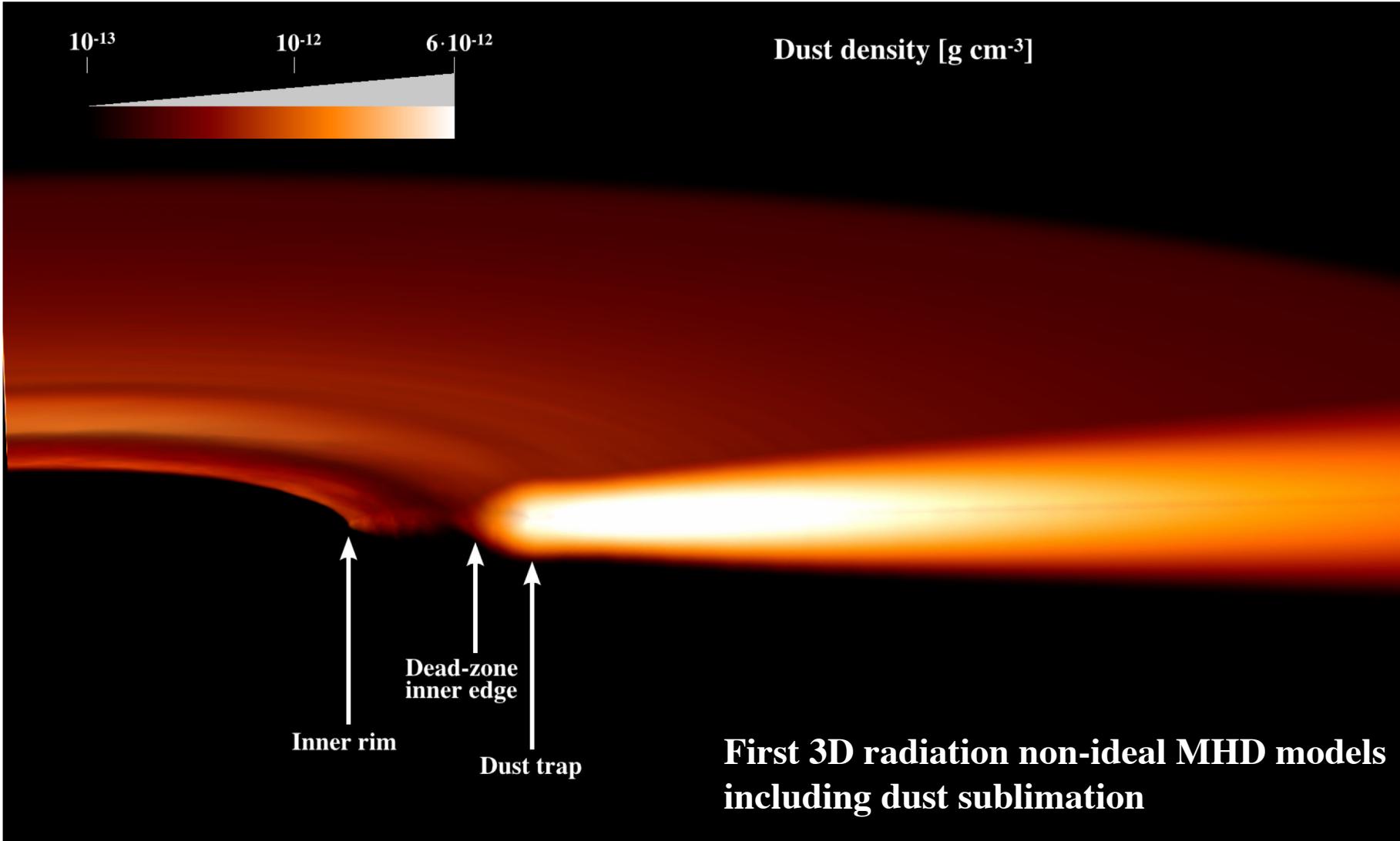
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## The inner disk as birthplaces of planets



**First 3D radiation non-ideal MHD models  
including dust sublimation**

## Research

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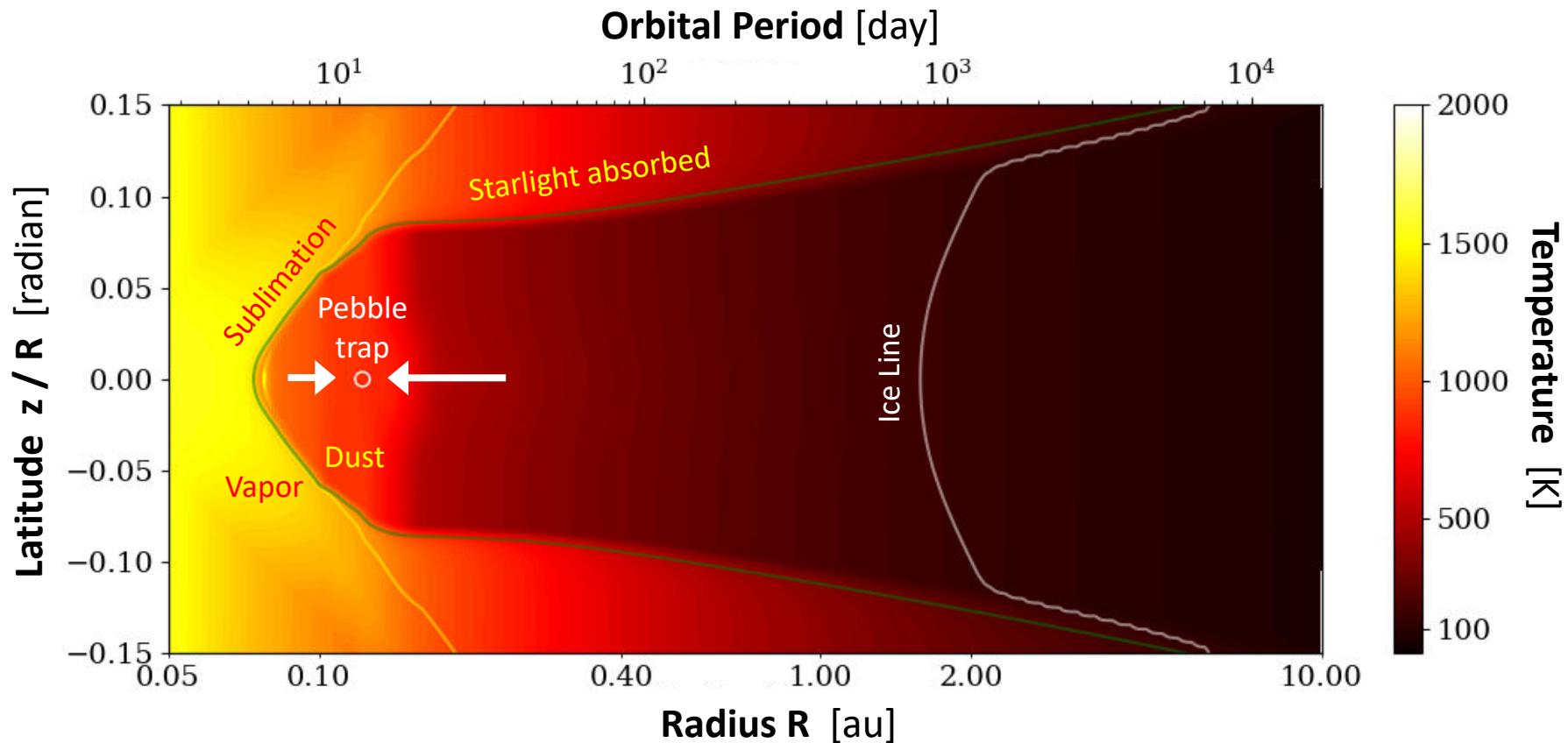
## **The inner disk as birthplaces of planets**

- Global 2D radiation hydrodynamical simulations including dust sublimation
- Dust density fully linked to radiation transfer
- Axisymmetric solution
- Search for pebble traps

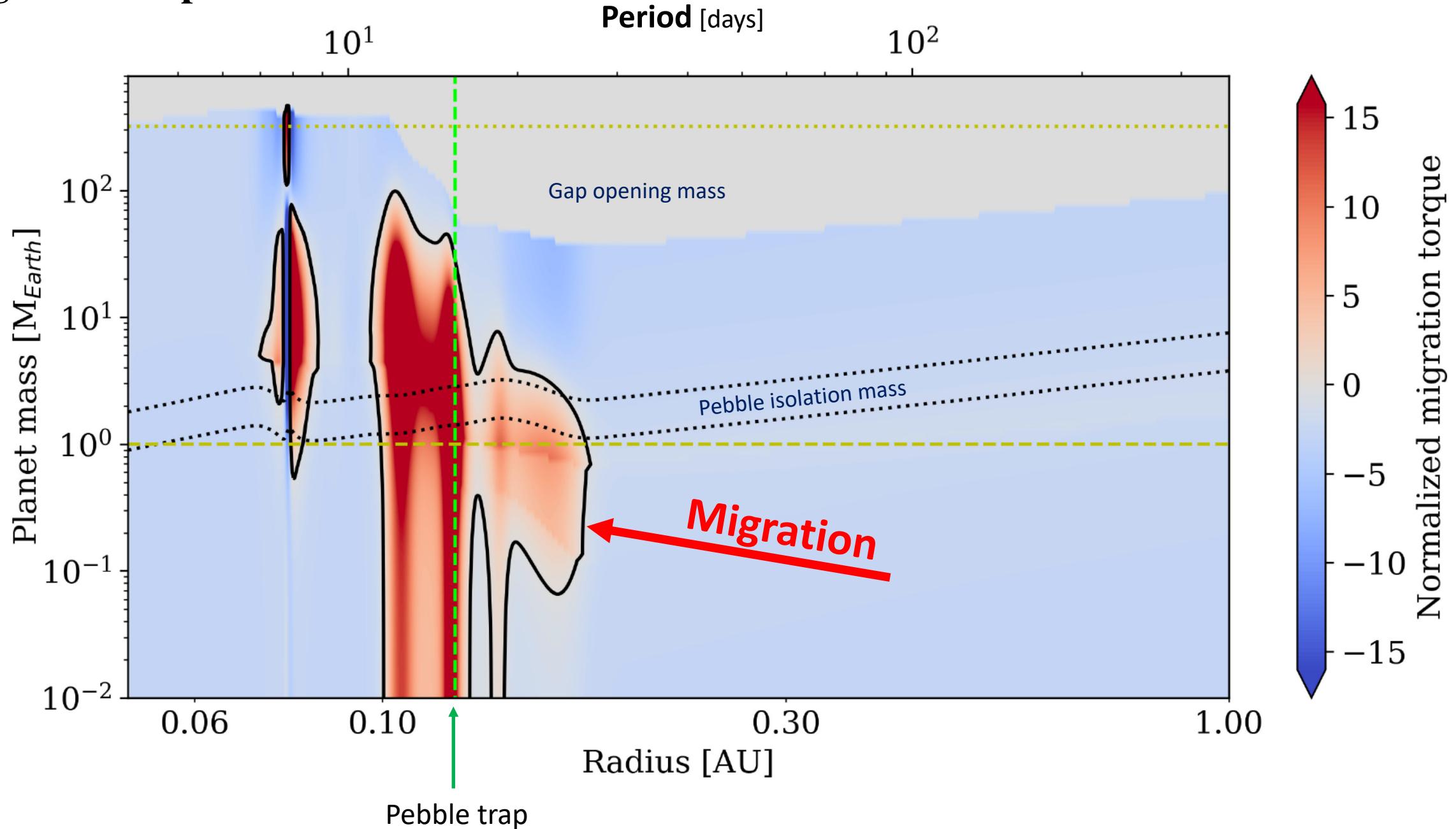
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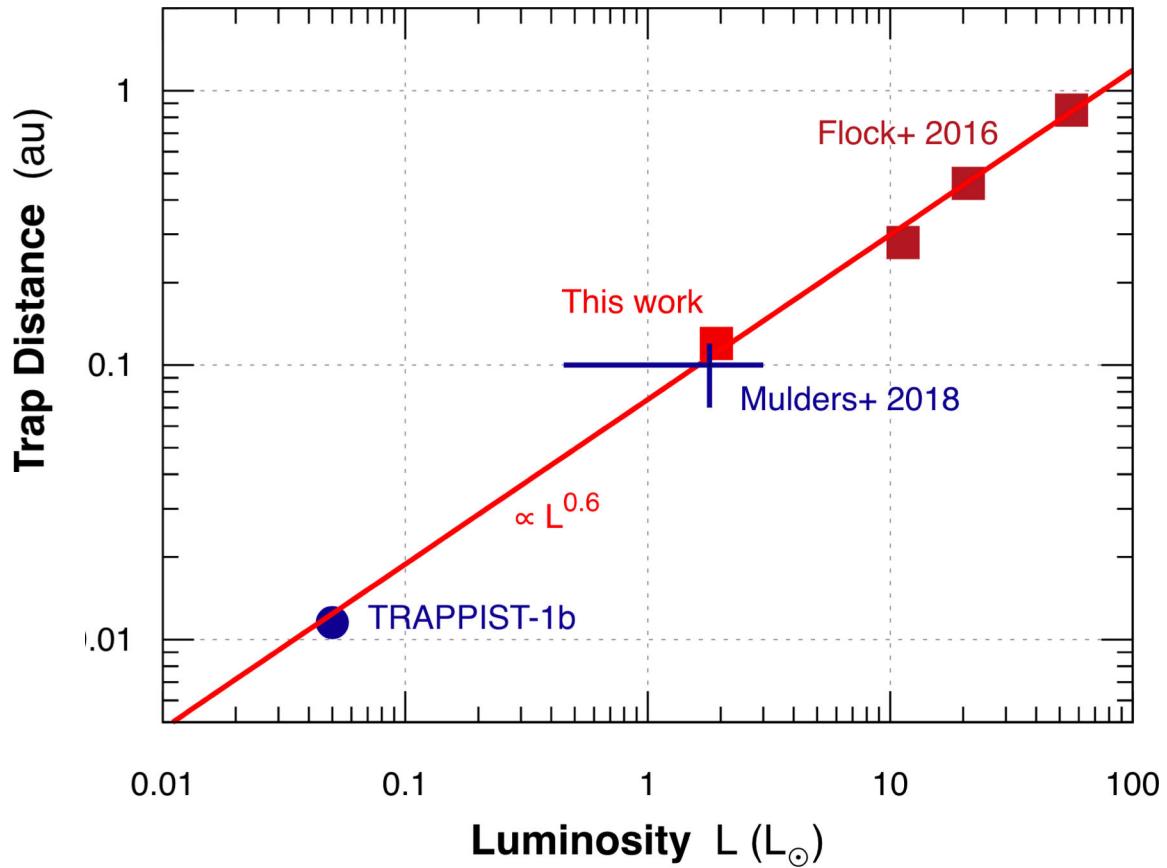
# Migration map



## Research

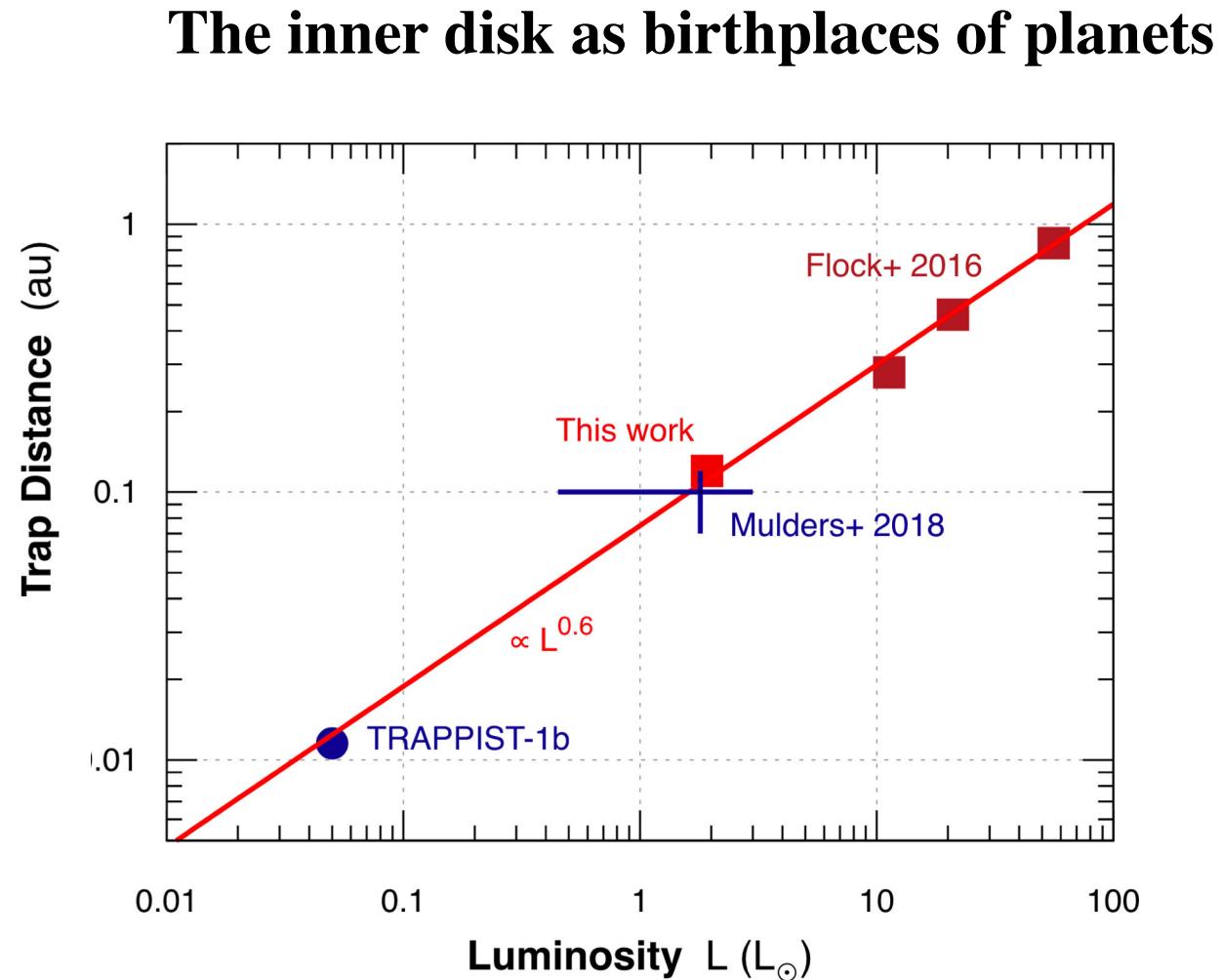
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### The inner disk as birthplaces of planets



# Research

Flock et al. 2019 A&A



Solar systems have a 'baby-proof' system that protects newborn planets, study finds

By Ashley Strickland, CNN

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(CNN) — Space is not a friendly environment, even for the stars, planets and galaxies born in its cold, violent reaches. But solar systems have found a way to keep their newborn planets from accidentally getting too close to their host stars, according to a new study.

Without a physical "baby-proofing" structure in place, planets born in the inner regions of a star system might drift and dive right into their host star.

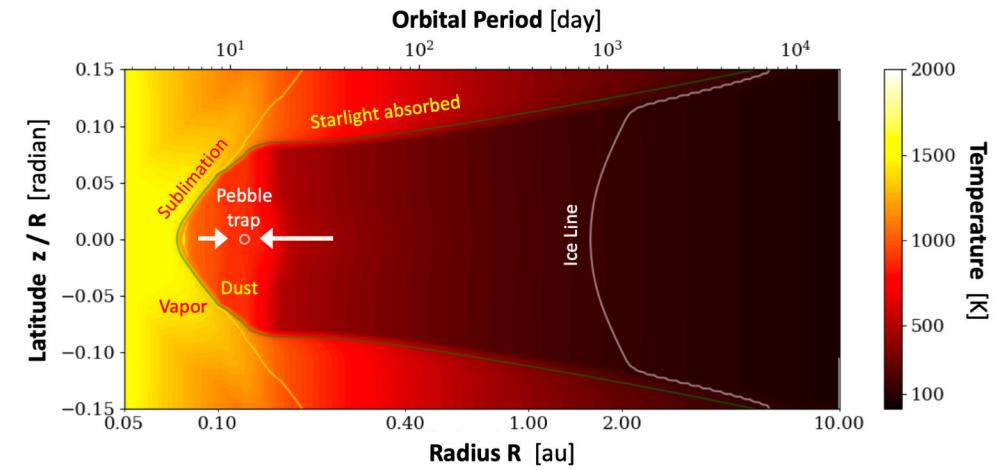
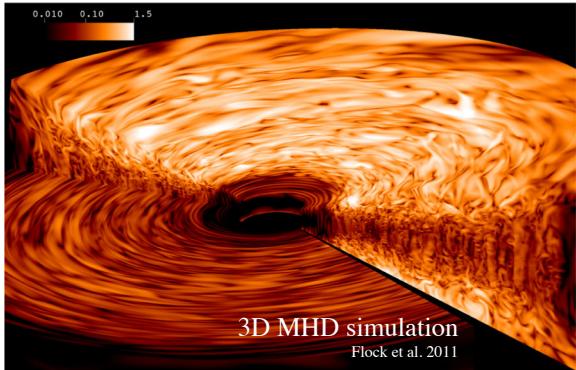
And during NASA's Kepler mission, numerous super-Earths, or planets with a mass higher than Earth's, were found in close orbits around their stars, toeing the line of so-called "baby-proof" region.

Researchers published their findings about this process in the journal *Astronomy and Astrophysics* on Thursday.

## Summary

# Planet formation in circumstellar disks

- Turbulence and ionization transition zones set the birthplace of proto-planets



- Advanced observations to see planet formation in action

