dissecting disks around B-type protostars

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SCIENTIFIC GOALS

- theoretical scenarios predict the formation of circumstellar disks
 [e.g., Bonnel & Bate 2006; Keto 2007; Krumholz et al 2009]
 but observational evidences for only a few B-type protostars
 [e.g. Cesaroni et al 2007; Kraus et al 2010; Beuther et al 2012]
- search for and increase the number of known, convincing (sub)Keplerian disks in B-type protostars
- study the structure and kinematics of disks
- determine the disk rotation curve

ALMA OBSERVATIONS

- band 7 [334.8 338.8 GHz] & [346.8 350.8 GHz] spectral resolution: 0.4 km/s
- most extended Cycle 0 array configuration angular resolution:
 o.4 arcsec primary beam (field of view):
 maximum observable structure:
 2 arcsec
- correlator setup: CH₃CN(19-18), CH₃OH(7-6), SiO(8-7), C³⁴S(7-6), C¹⁷O(3-2), H¹³CO⁺(3-2), and many others

TARGET CHARACTERISTICS

- luminosities of ~10⁴ L_☉ ⇒ B-type protostars
- associated with free-free emission (VLA data) ⇒ thermal jets / HII regions
- bipolar nebulosities & green 'fuzzies' (IR data) ⇒ bipolar outflows
- prominent SiO emission (single-dish data) ⇒ jets?
- prominent CH₃CN emission (single-dish data) ⇒ hot molecular cores?

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1. description of the region

- NE-SW infrared (IR) bipolar nebulosity
- NE-SW molecular outflow (in CO, HCO+)
- N-S thermal radiojet in cm continuum

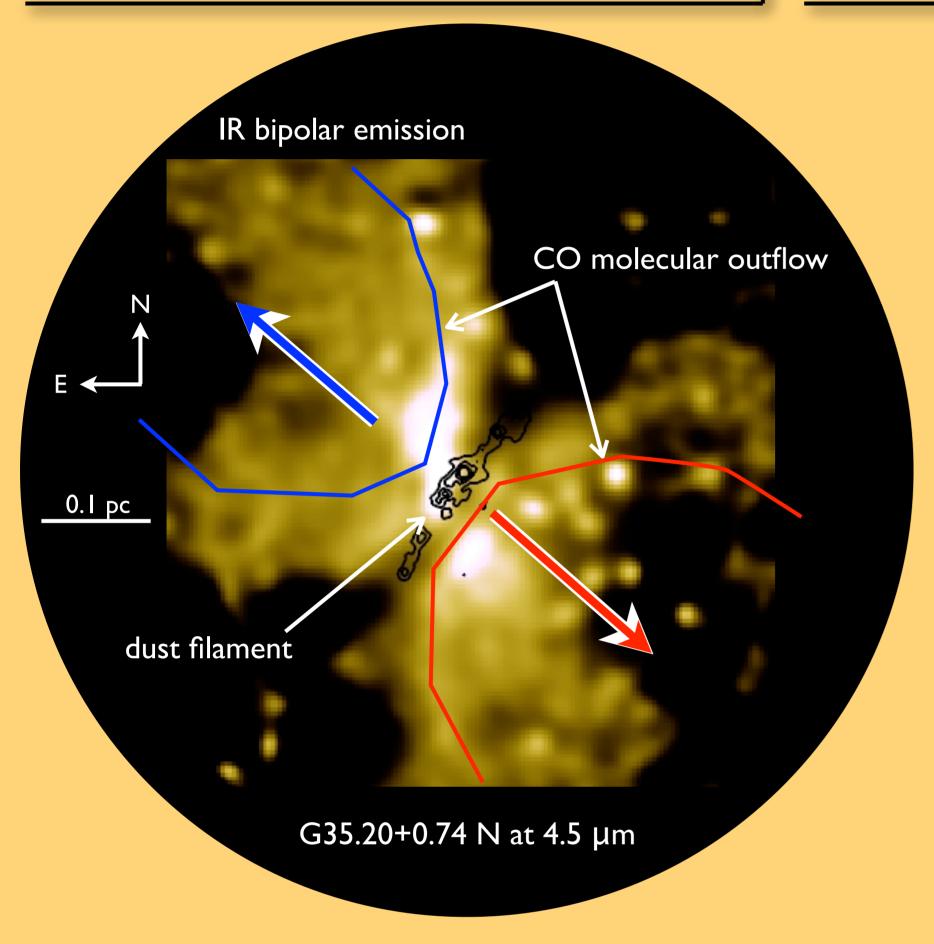
[Gibb et al 2003; De Buizer 2006; Wang et al 2013]

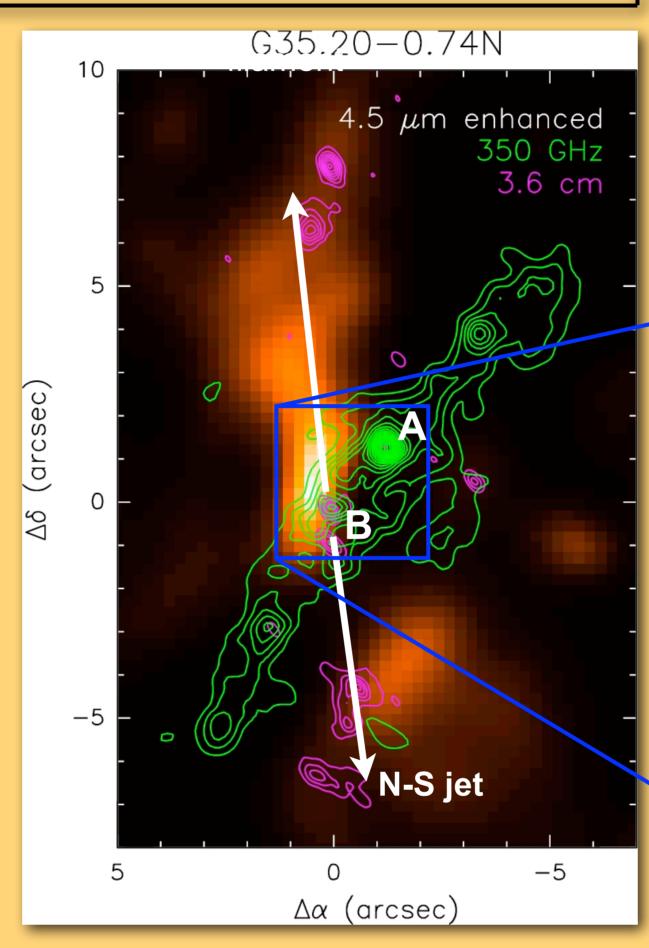
2. ALMA 350 GHz continuum emission

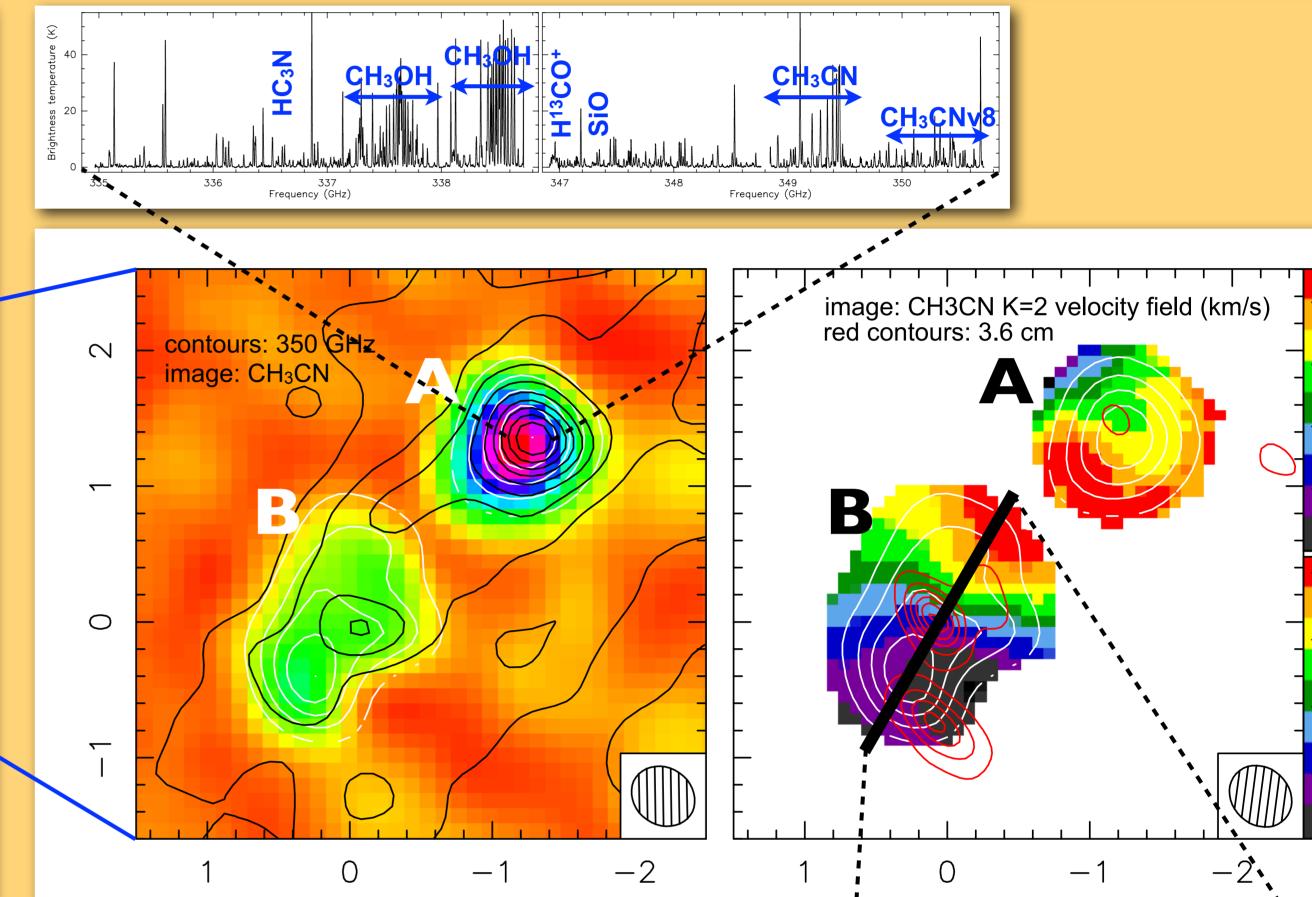
- 80 M_☉ filament, perpendicular to the IR bipolar nebulosity
- multiple cores found along the filament
- core A is the strongest dust condensation
- core B lies at the center of N-S jet, detected in cm & IR

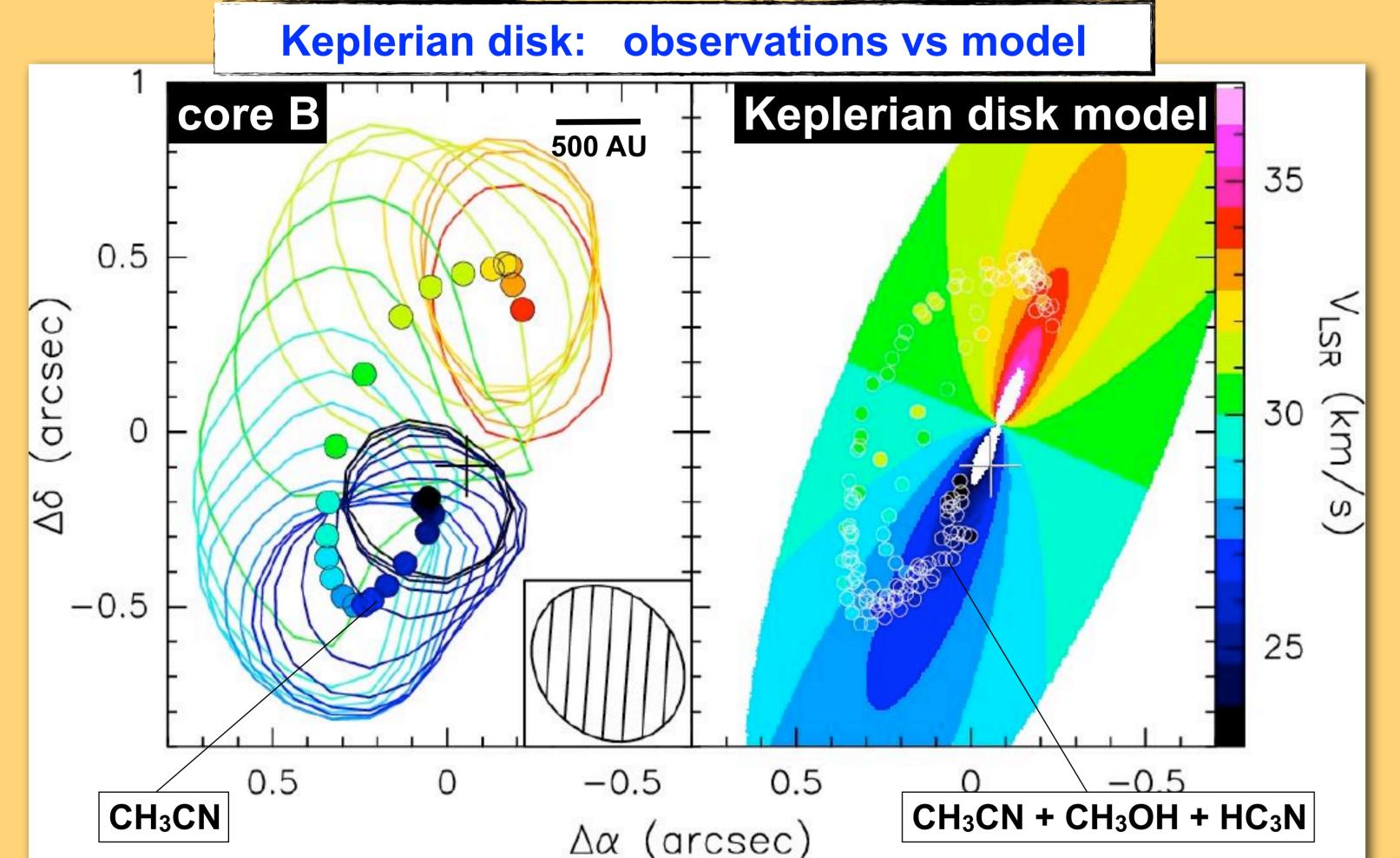
3. ALMA molecular line emission

- cores A and B show rich spectra, with many hot-core tracers
- emission of core B is more elongated and fragmented than core A
- M_{gas} (A) = 4.4 M_{\odot} and M_{gas} (B) = 2.8 M_{\odot} for a T = 100 K
- velocity gradients perpendicular to the bipolar outflow/IR-nebulosity



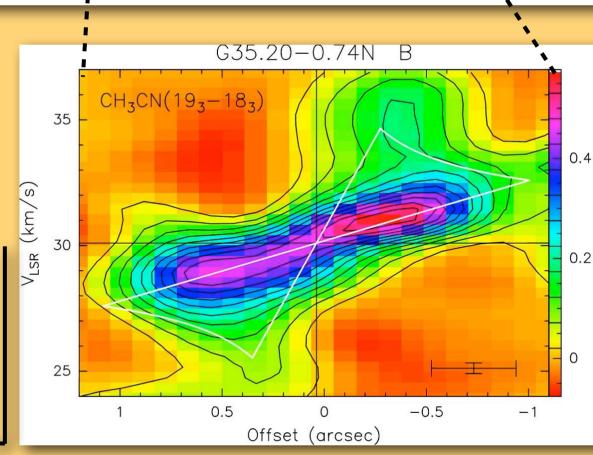






4. position-velocity plot across core B

 the white pattern encompasses the region where emission is expected from a Keplerian disk inclined by 19° and rotating about an 18 M_☉ star



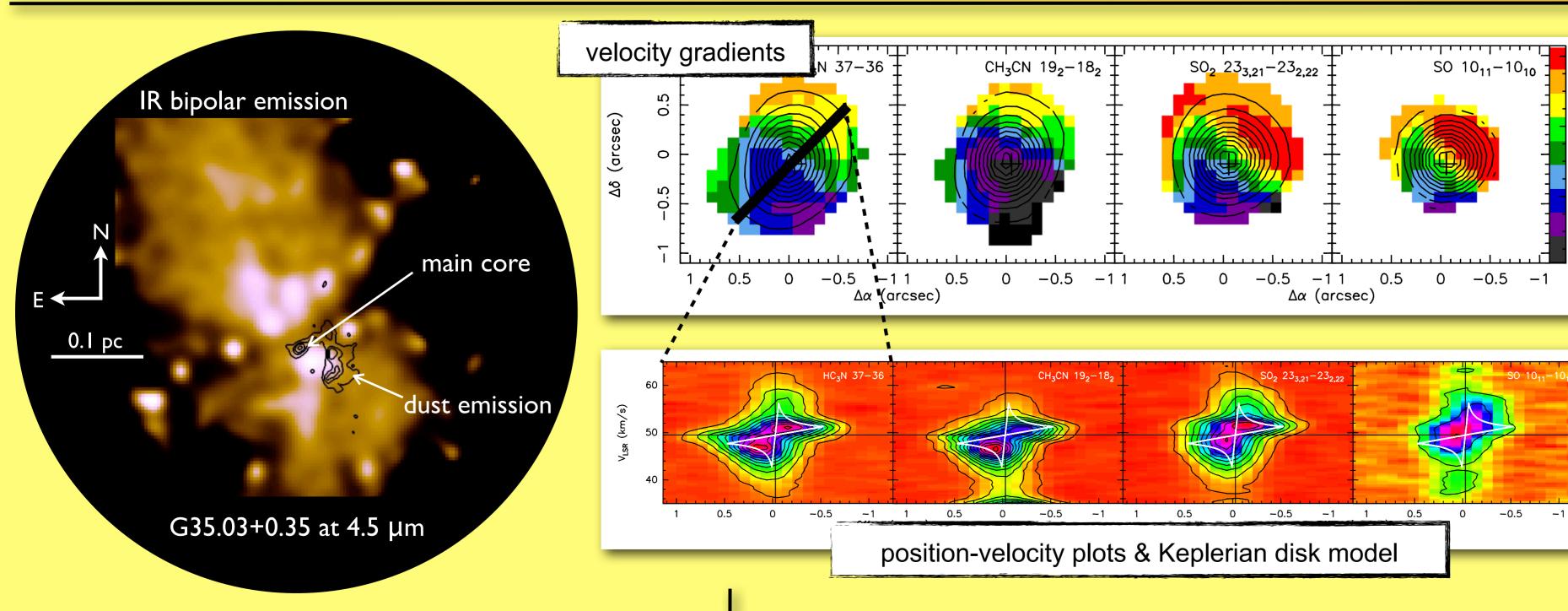
5. Keplerian disk in core B?

[see recent publication: Sanchez-Monge et al 2013, A&A, 552, L10]

left panel - peaks (from 2D-Gaussian fits) and 50% contour levels of CH₃CN emission colors correspond to velocities (ie, different channels), the cross marks the continuum peak solid circles: peaks of emission at different velocities of CH₃CN, CH₃OH and HC₃N color: best-fit Keplerian disk model inclined by 19° and rotating about an 18 M_☉ object

- why line emission is detected only from the upper part of the disk?
 possible opacity effect due to disk inclination w.r.t. the line of sight (may work for a flared disk)
- the dynamical mass (18 M_☉) implies ≥ 3·10⁴ L_☉, greater than the bolometric luminosity of G35.20-0.74N this problem may be solved by postulating a close binary system in Core B

G35.03+0.35



1. ALMA 350 GHz continuum and line emission

- filament (with multiple cores) surrounding the IR emission
- main core at the center of the bipolar infrared nebulosity, and associated with weak cm free-free emission

[Cyganowski et al 2008; Codella et al 2010; Brogan et al 2011]

2. velocity maps and pv-plots

- clear velocity gradient SE-NW, perpendicular to bipolar nebulosity
- position-velocity plots along the velocity gradient (PA=-45°)
- white patterns encompass the region where emission is expected from a Keplerian disk rotating about a 6 M_☉ central object

SUMMARY

- ALMA observations of circumstellar disks in B-type protostars
- detection of dust filaments (~ 80 M_☉) with elongations perpendicular to IR bipolar nebulosities and outflows/jets
- several cores (with masses 1 5 M_☉) along the filaments, some of them showing rich chemistry (hot molecular cores)
- velocity gradients perpendicular to the IR bipolar nebulosities, likely tracing the kinematics of rotating structures

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core B is resolved and can be modeled with an almost edge-on Keplerian disk around an 18 M_☉ source, possibly a binary system [see Sanchez-Monge et al 2013, A&A, 552, L10]

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the main dense core shows

Keplerian-like rotation around a ≥ 6 M_☉ star