Protostellar phase, a pre-Herschel review



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Some related reviews:

Van Dishoeck 2004, ARAA; Nisini et al. 2005, SSR; Ceccarelli et al. 2007, PPV; Melnick 2009, ASP; Evans 2011, IAU











- 1. The census
- 2. The structure
- 3. The chemistry
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From ISO to SPITZER: the heritage and open questions. My a priori apologizes for what I left out....









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THE CENSUS

IN ORDER TO STUDY THE STRUCTURE AND EVOLUTION OF PROTOSTARS WE NEED TO HAVE THE OBJECTS TO STUDY: THE LARGEST POSSIBLE SAMPLE COVERING THE LARGEST POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENT CONDITIONS, POSITIONS IN THE GALAXY, AND EVOLUTIONARY STATUS.



WE NEED A CENSUS OF THE PROTOSTARS IN OUR GALAXY









THE CENSUS

IRAS: THE START OF THE STORY WITH THE FIRST CATALOGUE

LIMITED SENSITIVITY, SPATIAL RESOLUTION AND FREQUENCY COVERAGE

→ DEFINITION OF CLASS I, II, III

GROUND BASED SURVEYS IN THE IR AND mm

→ INTRODUCTION OF CLASS 0 (and CLASS –I /prestellar cores)

ISO: ISOCAM MAPPED IN THE MIR (7 and 14 μm) A FEW deg²
OF NEARBY STAR-FORMING REGIONS

SPITZER: MAPPED 15.5 deg² OF FIVE LARGE NEARBY MOLECULAR CLOUDS

→ DISCOVERY OF THE VELLOS



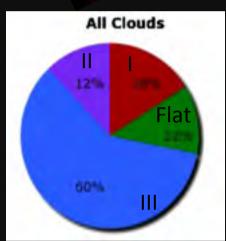




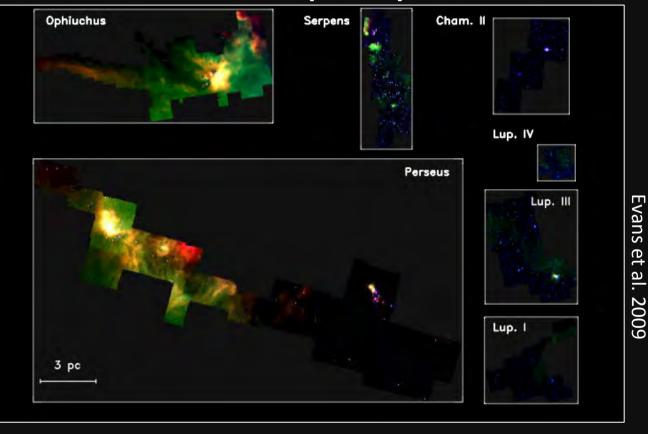


THE SPITZER SURVEY of

the Core to Disk (c2d) LP (Evans et al. 2003)







- RIVISITED LIFETIMES: ≈2Myr Class II, ≈0.5Myr Class I, ≈0.16-0.043 Class 0
- CONFIRMATION OF THE "LUMINOSITY PROBLEM" → NON-STEADY ACCRETION?









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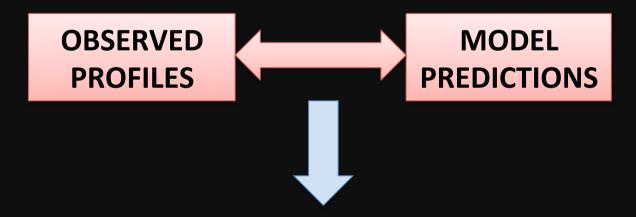






THE STRUCTURE OF THE PROTOSTAR

WHY: WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT ARE THE DENSITY AND TEMPERATURE PROFILES TO UNDERSTAND WHAT ARE THE ACTORS/PROCESSES ENTERING THE STAR FORMATION PROCESS



How important are the magnetic fields, the turbulence? What did start the collapse?...







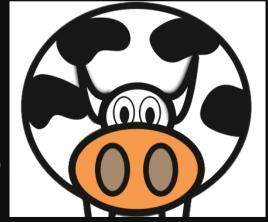


THE STRUCTURE OF THE PROTOSTAR

DERIVATION OF THE DENSITY AND TEMPERATURES PROFILES:

- 1) Dust density and temperature profiles
 - continuum spectral energy distribution + emission maps
- 2) Gas density and temperature profiles
 - → line spectra (emission + absorption)

OFTEN, SPHERICAL SYMMETRY ASSUMED

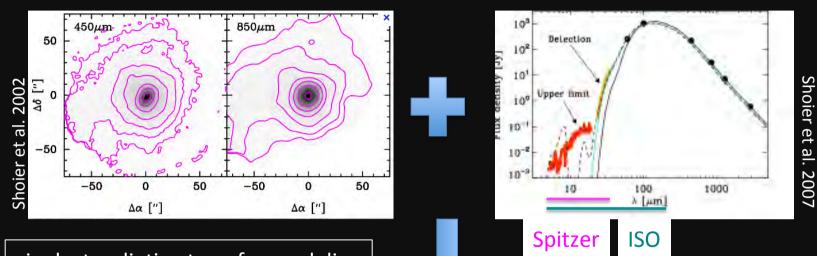






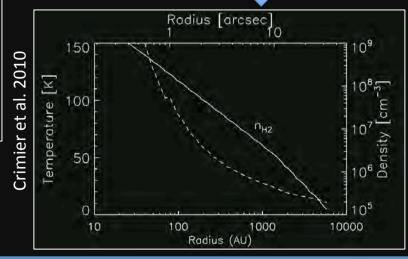






via dust radiative transfer modeling

e.g. DUSTY (Ivezik & Elitzur 1997, but see also Withney et a. 2003; Robitaille et al. 2007, 2011)

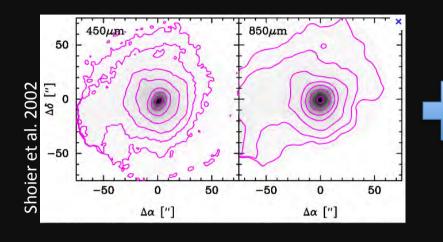


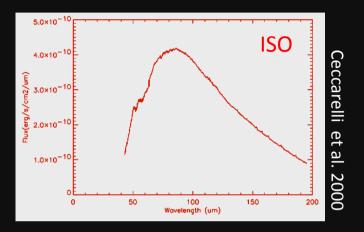


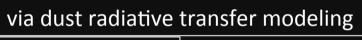




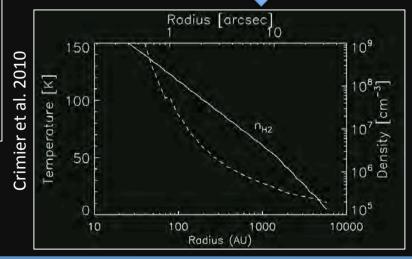








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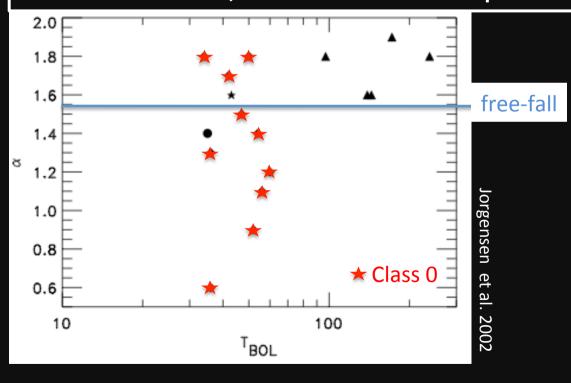




RESULTS

Most of the density profiles of Class 0 sources are consistent with the free-fall structure, within the error bars, with a few exceptions.





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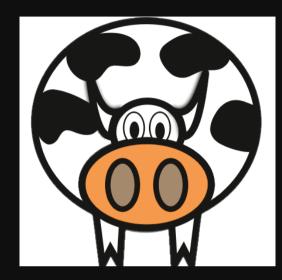


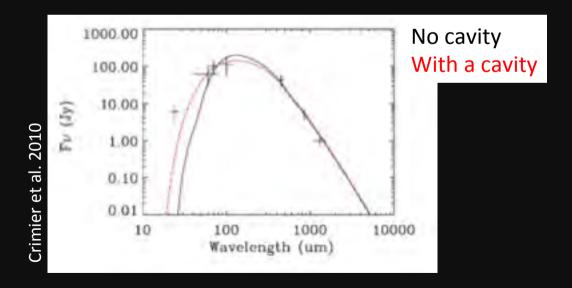




BUT IS THE COW REALLY SPHERICAL?

THE SPITZER OBSERVATIONS HAVE RAISED THE QUESTION WHETHER LARGE CAVITIES ARE PRESENT IN SOME PROTOSTELLAR ENVELOPES (e.g. Schoier et al. 2004, Jorgensen et al. 2005)











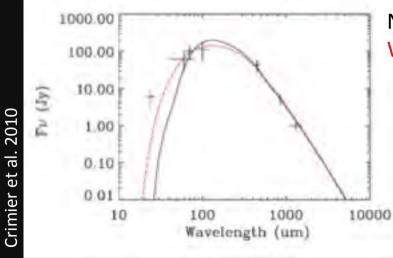


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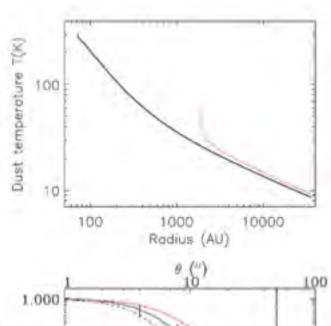
THE CAVITY MODEL FITS THE SPITZER DATA BUT NOT THE LARGE SCALE MAPS (e.g Crimier et al. 2010)

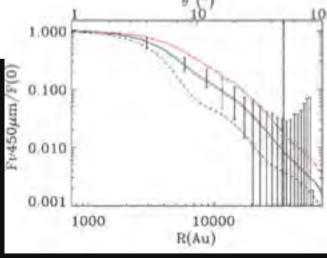
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IS THE NIR DUE TO A DISK?



No cavity
With a cavity





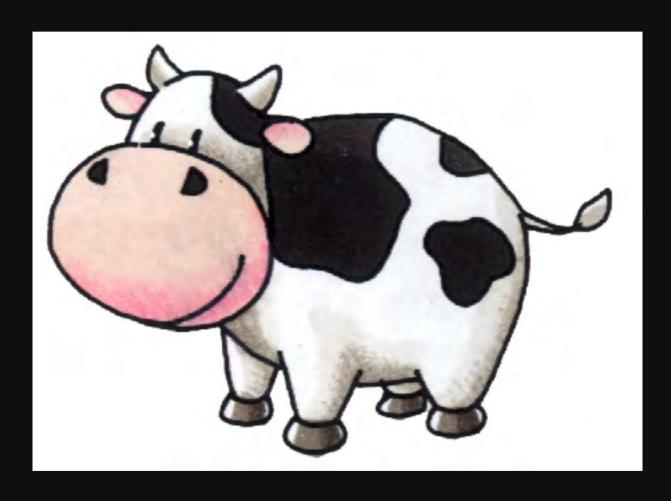








HERSCHEL + ALMA WILL SETTLE THE QUESTION SOON..



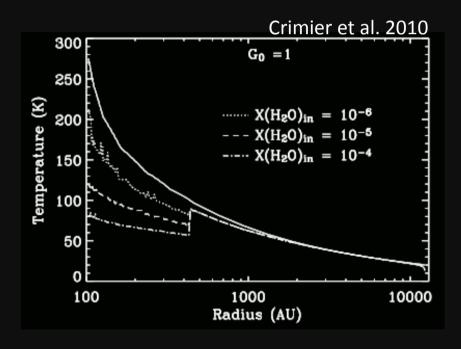








MODELS PREDICT THAT THE GAS MAY BE THERMALLY DECOUPLED BY THE DUST AT THE BORDER AND IN THE INNER REGION (WHERE T_{DUST}>T_{ICE-SUBLIMATION}) OF THE ENVELOPE



THE DECOUPLING IN THE INNER REGION DEPENDS ON THE QUANTITY OF SUBLIMATED WATER



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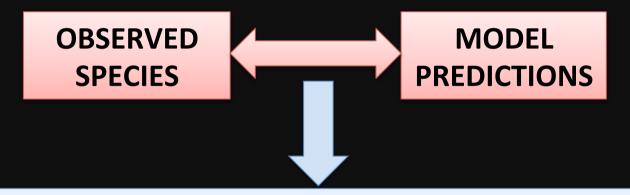








WHY: WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT IS THE CHEMICAL COMPOSITION ACROSS THE ENVELOPE TO UNDERSTAND THE PHYSICAL STATUS OF THE GAS AND THE HISTORY OF THE PROTOSTAR



How is the gas cooled? What is the ionization? Why? Which species are in the gas phase, which are frozen? Why? What is the age of the protostar? What is the molecular complexity during the star formation process?...



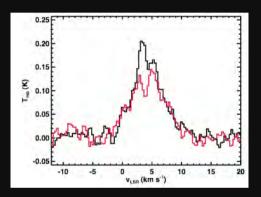






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→ line spectra (emission + absorption)



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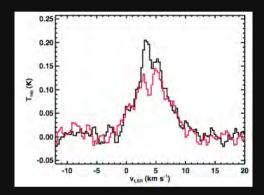






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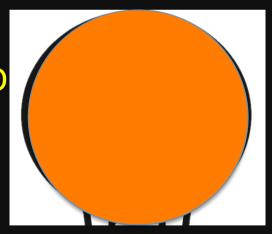
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→ collisional coefficients

OFTEN, LTE POPULATION ASSUMED





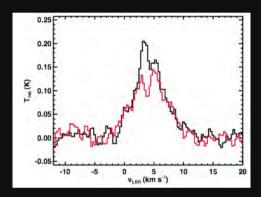






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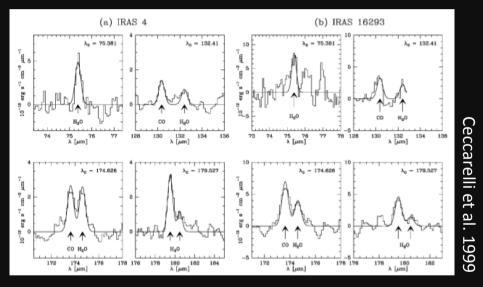




THE WATER CONTENT



WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A FEW MASER TRANSITIONS WATER WAS FIRST OBSERVED TOWARDS *LOW-MASS PROTOSTARS* BY ISO-LWS



WITH A SPATIAL RESOLUTION OF $\approx 80^{\circ}$ AND A SPECTRAL RESOLUTION OFTEN OF ≈ 200 (=1500km/s), FEW TIMES 10⁴ (≈ 30 km/s)

- → MULTIPLE COMPONENTS IN THE BEAM
- → MULTIPLE LINES IN THE SPECTRAL ELEMENT

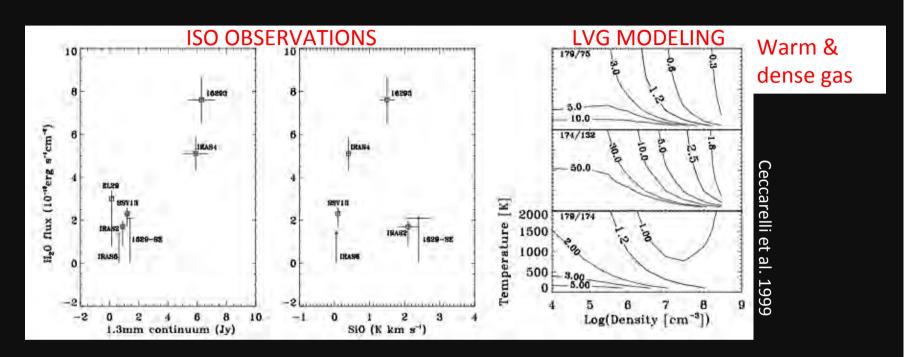








THE WATER CONTENT OF CLASS 0 SOURCES



1) WATER EMISSION DOES NOT CORRELATE WITH SIO EMISSION

water forms in low velocity shocks (which do not occur where the high velocity shocks are found) or water does not originate in shocks

2) WATER EMISSION DOES CORRELATE WITH 1.3mm CONTINUUM

water emission is associated to thermal emission from the envelopes or it originates in shocks where the shocked material belongs to the envelopes



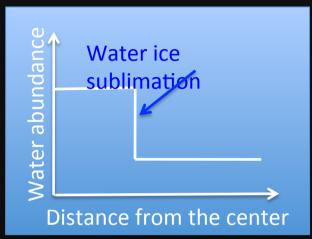






THE WATER CONTENT OF CLASS 0 SOURCES 1) The thermal emission from the envelope

Model of IRAS16293-2422 (Ceccarelli et al. 2000a)



RESULTS

$$x_{outer}(H_2O) \approx 5x10^{-7}$$

 $x_{inner}(H_2O) \approx 3x10^{-6}$

START OF THE HOT CORINO SAGA with the measured jump of the abundance of other species sublimated from the mantle

QUESTION: WHY THE WATER ABUNDANCE IN THE ICE SUBLIMATED HOT CORINO REGION IS ONLY 3x10⁻⁶ RATHER THAN ≈10⁻⁴???



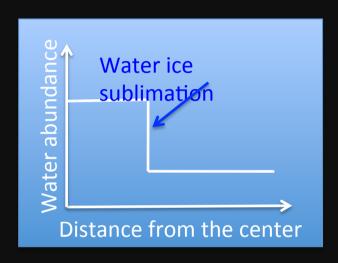








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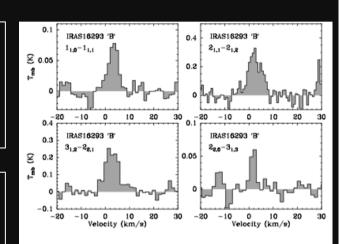
RESULTS $x_{outer}(H_2O) \approx 5 \times 10^{-7}$ $x_{inner}(H_2O) \approx 3 \times 10^{-6}$

 $x_{outer}(HDO) < 1x10^{-9}$ $x_{inner}(HDO) \approx 1x10^{-7}$



HERSCHEL, HELP! H₂O and HDO obs in more sources!

HDO/H₂O outer ≤ 0.002 Inner \approx 0.03



HDO OBSERVATIONS in IRAS16293-2422

(Stark et al. 2004, Parise et al. 2005)

BTW, what is the o/p H₂O ratio ???



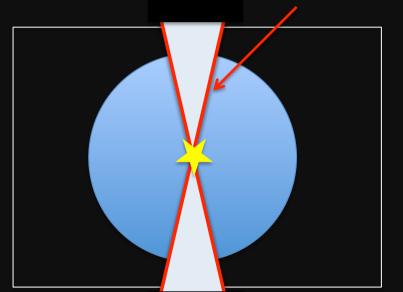






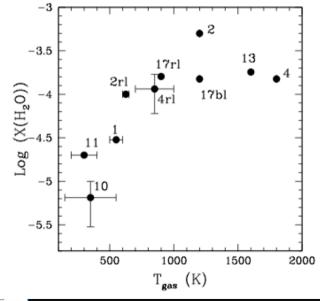
THE WATER CONTENT OF CLASS 0 SOURCES 2) The emission from dense shocks

Dense shocks in the inner envelope (Giannini et al. 2000; Nisini et al. 2002)



ALL FIR LINES ORIGINATE IN DENSE SHOCKS, with TEMPERATURE AND DENSITY derived by CO SPECTRA: $T_{GAS}=100-2000 \text{ K \& } n_{GAS}=10^4-10^7 \text{cm}^{-3}$

HERSCHEL, HELP! RESULTS $x(H_2O) \approx 0.2-2 \times 10^{-4}$





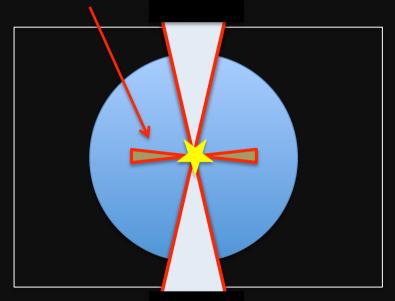




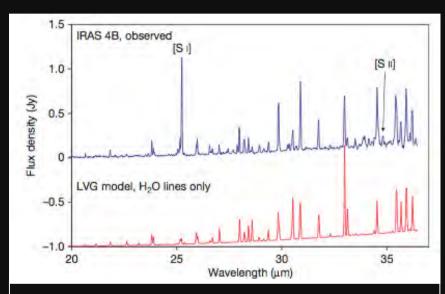


THE WATER CONTENT OF CLASS 0 SOURCES 3) The emission from the circumstellar disk

Shocks at the surface of the inner disk (Watson et al. 2007)



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SPITZER OBSERVATIONS

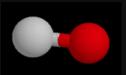
Disk-surface temperature $\approx 170 \text{K}$ Disk-surface density $\approx 10^{10} \text{cm}^{-3}$ Emitting area $\approx 6000 \text{AU}^2$ Total H₂O luminosity $\approx 0.03 \text{L}_{0}$



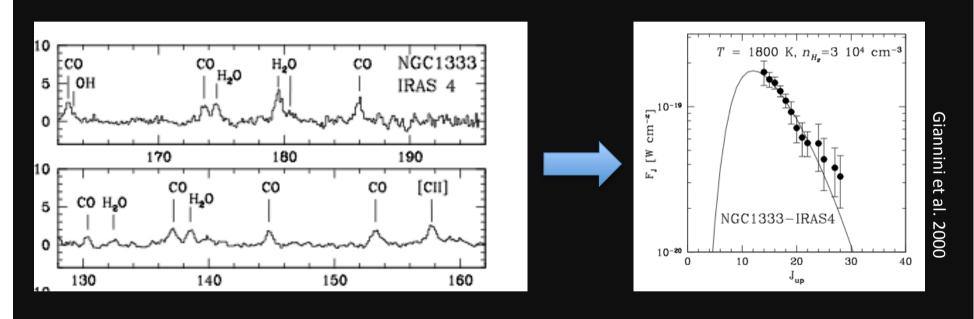








J=13-29 CO LINES WERE FIRST OBSERVED TOWARDS *LOW-MASS PROTOSTARS* BY ISO-LWS



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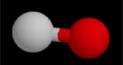
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- 2) UV ILLUMINATED GAS







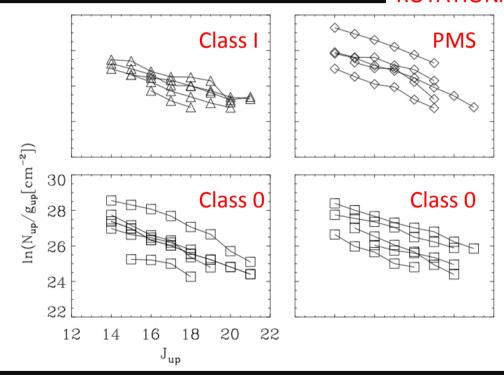


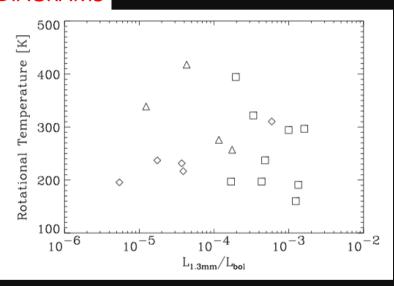


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ROTATIONAL DIAGRAMS





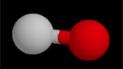
THE SIMILARITY OF THE CO ROTATIONAL TEMPERATURE OF PMS, CLASS I AND 0 SOURCES WOULD ARGUE FOR A COMMON ORIGIN





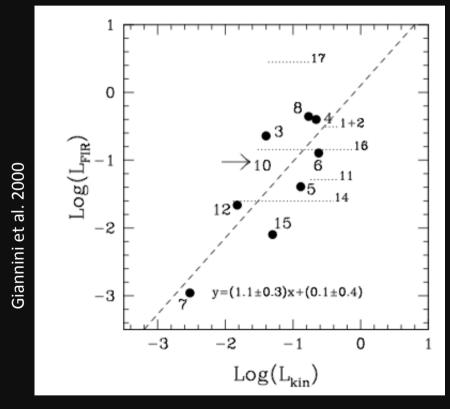






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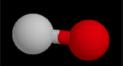
THE POSSIBLE CORRELATION BETWEEN THE CO (+H₂O+OI) LUMINOSITY IN CLASS 0 SOURCES IS IN FAVOR OF THE DENSE SHOCK





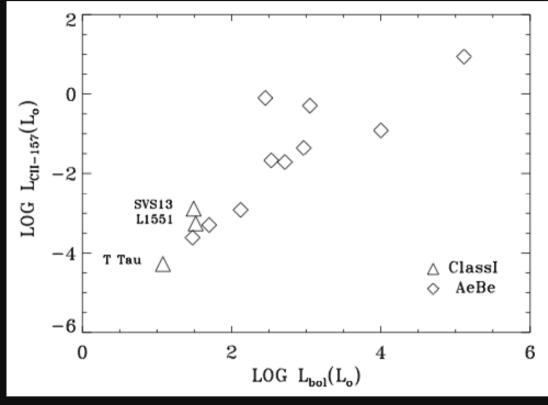






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DATA ADAPTED FROM: Lorenzetti et al. 1999, Molinari et al. 2000, Spinoglio et al. 2000 and White et al. 2000

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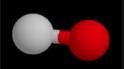
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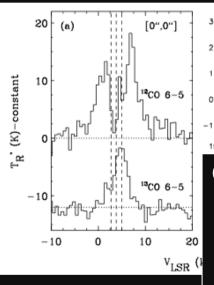


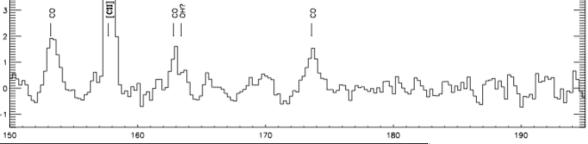


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The case of EL 29: heated disk surface?



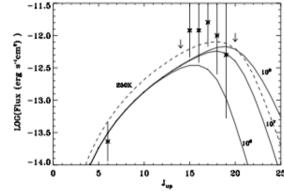


CSO + ISO observations (Ceccarelli et al. 2002)

T_{gas}≈ 170-250 K

Density > 10^6 cm⁻³

Radius ≈ 250AU



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THE IONISATION IN THE INNER REGIONS OF LOW-MASS PROTOSTARS

ISO PROVIDED VERY LITTLE INFORMATION ON THIS.
THE ONLY DETECTED ION IS C+, WHOSE EMISSION IS
DOMINATED BY THE PDR ENVELOPPING THE PARENTAL
CLOUD

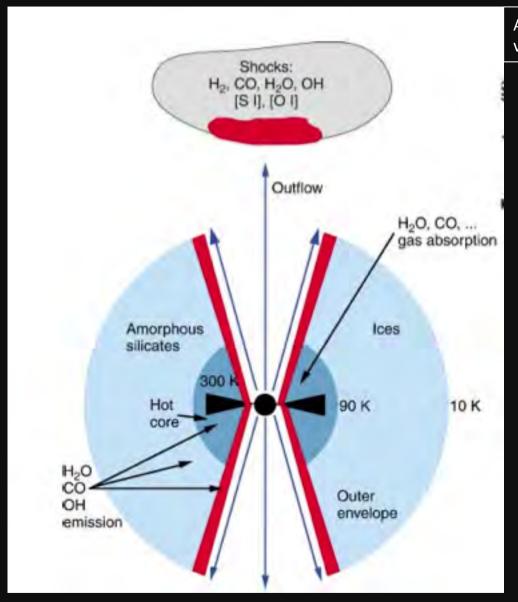
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ADAPTED FROM van Dishoeck 2004, ARAA

ISO PROVIDED A
COMPLEX PICTURE OF
THE STRUCTURE OF
LOW-MASS
PROTOSTARS:

- 1. COLD ENVELOPE
- 2. HOT CORINO
- 3. INNER SHOCKS
- 4. UV ILLUMINATED GAS
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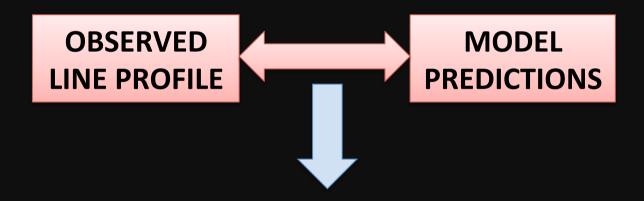


THE DYNAMICS

There are no doubts:

To form a star from a diffuse cloud, matter MUST collapse

THE HOLY GRAAL FOR PROTOSTARS HUNTERS: THE COLLAPSE SIGNATURE



Can we observe the collapse movement? What is the velocity field? How does it depend on the time? What is the infalling rate? What causes the collapse? External compression?...





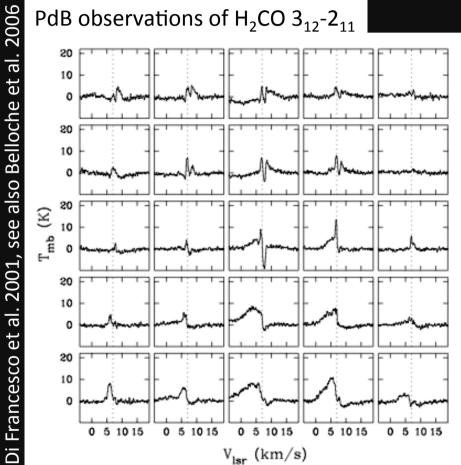


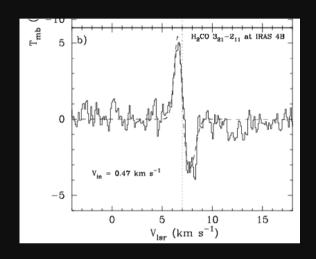


THE DYNAMICS

The example of NGC1333-IRAS4b

PdB observations of H₂CO 3₁₂-2₁₁





observed inverse P Cygni profile

infall motion $M_{acc} \approx 10^{-4} M_{\odot}/yr$





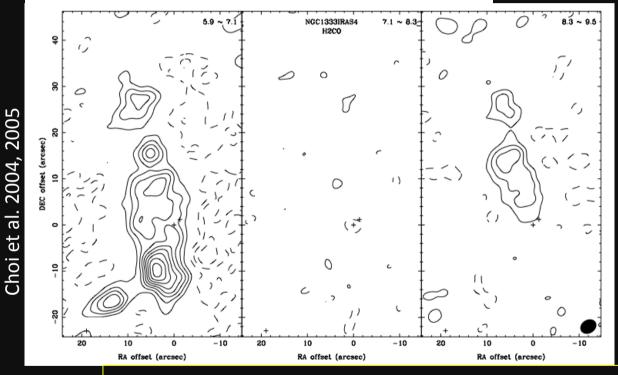




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Large scale NMA observations of H₂CO 2₁₂-1₁₁



PRESENCE OF A
COLD FOREGROUND
GAS LAYER
ABSORBING @ 8km/

- s → NO inverse P Cygni profile
- → NO infall motion

HERSCHEL, HELP! with high lying lines not present in foreground gas









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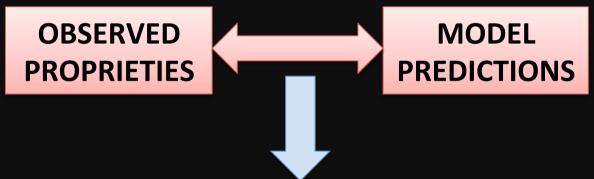








WHY: OUTFLOWS ARE UBIQUITOUS AND A KEY INGREDIENT IN THE STAR FORMATION PROCESS: THEY GET RID OF THE ANGULAR MOMENTUM, DISSIPATE THE PLACENTAL ENVELOPE, DESTROY THE PARENTAL CLOUD INJECTING TURBULENCE IN ISM



How much energy is injected in the ISM? How? What kind of shocks are created? How are they cooled? How are they generated? Jets/wide winds? What species are injected in the ISM from those shocks?

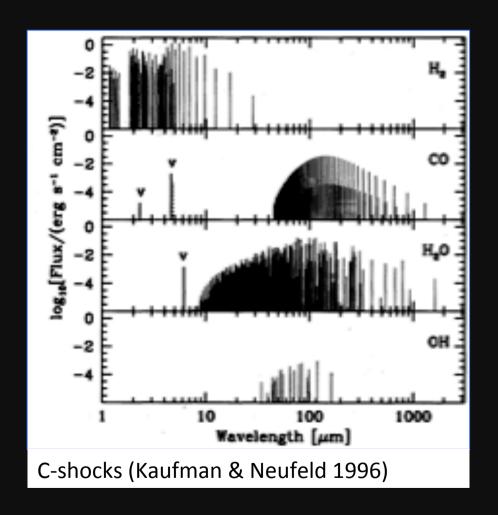


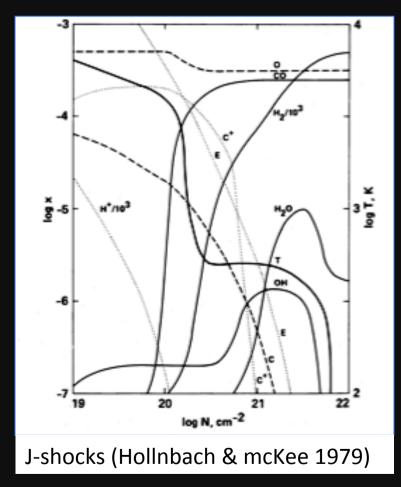






MOLECULAR SHOCKS: EXPECTED WATER FUNTAINS





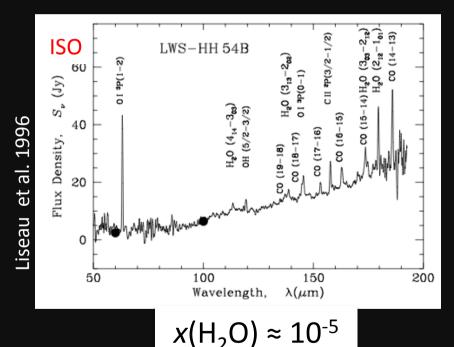


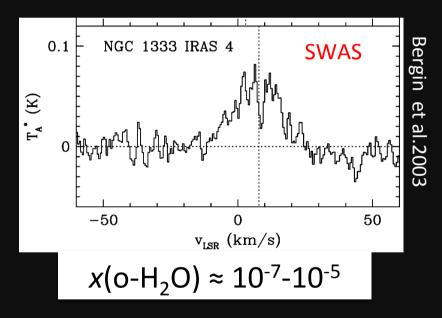






OBSERVATIONS OF WATER IN MOLECULAR OUTFLOWS OBTAINED WITH ISO (many lines, poor spectral resolution ≈ 200), SWAS AND ODIN (fundamental o-H₂O line @557GHz, high spectral resolution $\approx 10^6$, poor spatial resolution $\approx 1.5-4'$)





YES, WATER IS ABUNDANT INDEED...BUT NOT SO MUCH AS EXPECTED



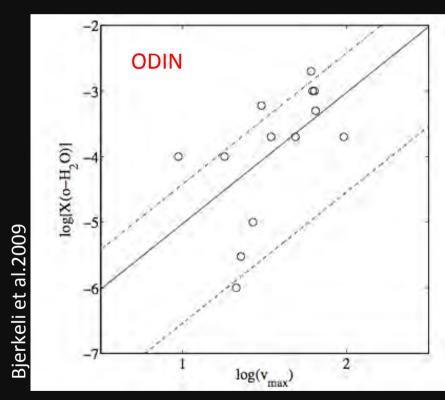






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(ISO: Nisini et al. 2002, SWAS: Franklin et 2008, ODIN: Bjerkeli et al. 2009...)



THE WATER ABUNDANCE
INCREASES WITH THE GAS
TEMPERATURE/MAX VELOCITY
in rough agreement with
predictions for non-dissociative
C-shocks

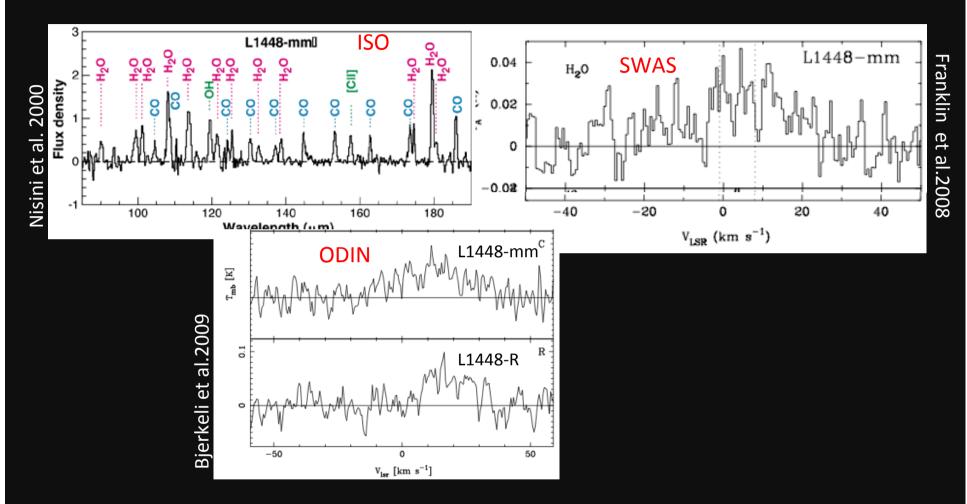
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ISO AND SWAS/ODIN DO NOT PROBE THE SAME GAS (Franklin et al. 2008)

→ MORE THAN ONE COMPONENT NEEDED: DIFFERENT SHOCKS?

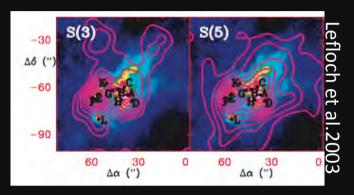


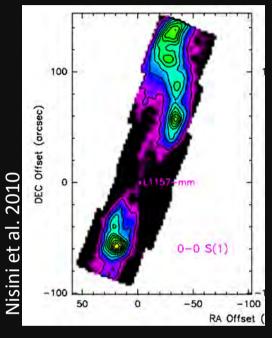


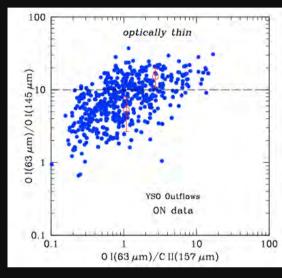




HOW MANY COMPONENTS? HOW MANY SHOCKS?







Liseau et al. 2006 BTW MIND THE ABSORBING OI

H₂ EMISSION OBSERVED BY ISO/SPITZER TESTIFIES OF NON DISSOCIATIVE SHOCKS

OI EMISSION OBSERVED BY KAO/ ISO TESTIFIES OF DISSOCIATIVE

HERSCHEL, HELP!

with your high spectral and spatial resolution





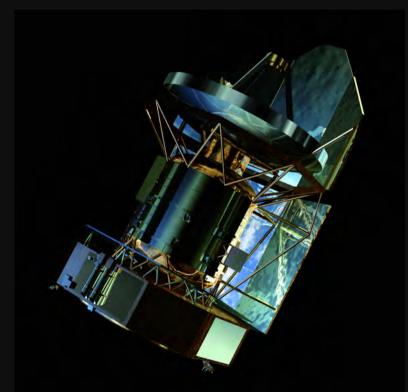




CONCLUSIONS

HELP IS ALREADY HELPING TO SOLVE THE SEVERAL OPEN QUESTIONS LEFT BY ITS PRECEDESSORS AND MORE WILL COME IN THE COMING YEARS

- 1. The census
- 2. The structure
- 3. The chemistry
- 4. The dynamics
- 5. The outflow



PLEASE, CROSS YOUR FINGERS: TODAY HIFI WILL BE WAKEN UP!







