

# Radiative Processes in the Interstellar Medium

## (IV) Dust

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# Dust Radiative Interactions

Scattering



Absorption

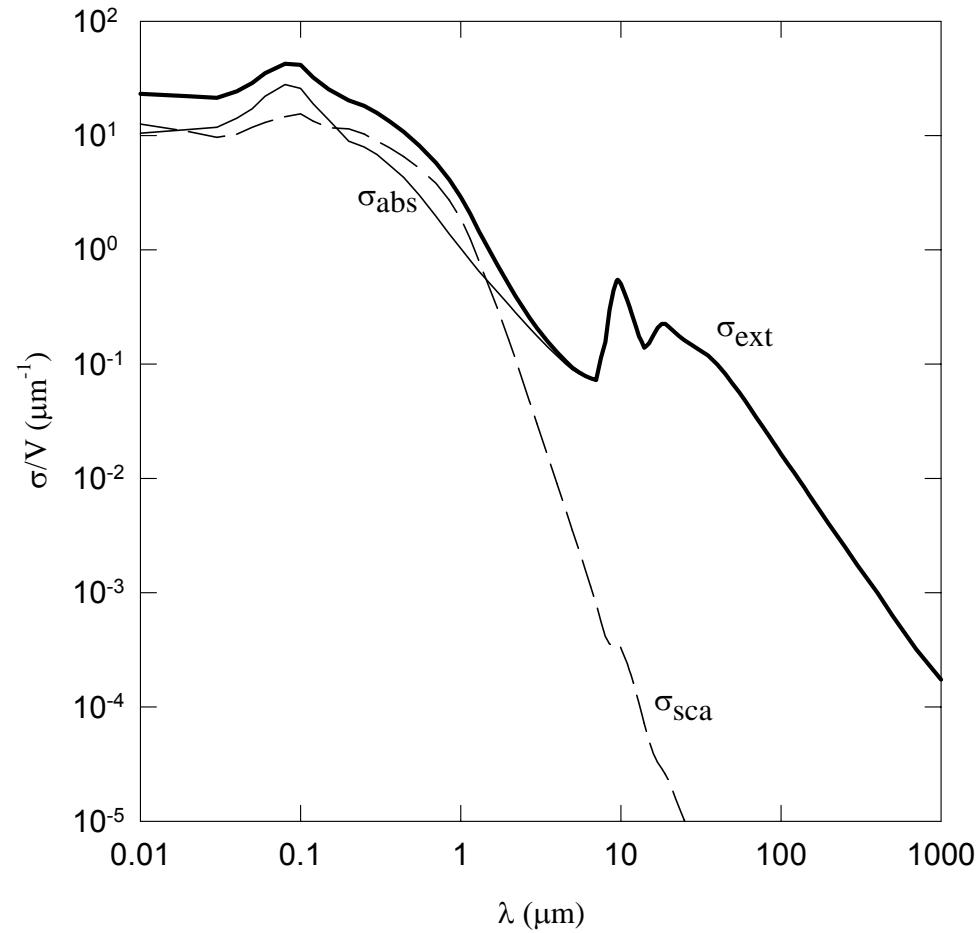


Emission



$$\kappa_v = n_d \sigma_v \quad \sigma_v = \pi a^2 Q_v \quad Q_{\text{ext}} = Q_{\text{sca}} + Q_{\text{abs}} \quad \text{albedo: } \varpi = Q_{\text{sca}}/Q_{\text{ext}}$$

### Standard ISM dust x-sections



Apart from features:  $Q_v = Q(x)$   $x = 2\pi a/\lambda$

# Dust Radiative Transfer

$$\frac{dI_v}{d\ell} = \varepsilon_v - \kappa_v I_v \quad \kappa = \kappa_a + \kappa_s \quad \varepsilon = \varepsilon_{em} + \varepsilon_s$$

$$\varepsilon_{em} = \kappa_a S_{th} = \kappa_a B_v(T_d)$$

$$\varepsilon_s = n_d \int I(\Omega') \sigma_s(\Omega', \Omega) d\Omega'$$

$$\sigma_s(\Omega', \Omega) = \sigma_s g(\Omega', \Omega) / 4\pi \quad \int g(\Omega', \Omega) d\Omega / 4\pi = 1$$

$$\varepsilon_s = \kappa_s \int I(\Omega') g(\Omega', \Omega) d\Omega' / 4\pi$$

Dust Source Function

$$S_v = (1 - \varpi_v) B_v(T) + \varpi_v \int I_v(\Omega') g(\Omega', \Omega) d\Omega' / 4\pi$$

# Dust Temperature

Radiatively heated dust –  
bolometric flux conservation:

$$\nabla \cdot \int \vec{F}_v dv = 0$$

Flux divergence relation:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{F}_v = \kappa_v (\int S_v d\Omega - 4\pi J_v)$

Dust Radiative Equilibrium

$$\int \kappa_{av} B_v(T) dv = \int \kappa_{av} J_v dv$$

# Dust Temperature (2)

$$\int \kappa_{av} B_v(T) dv = \int \kappa_{av} J_v dv$$

Heating by a star with  $R_*$ ,  $T_*$ ; optically thin dust:

$$T^4 Q_P(T) \propto r^{-2}$$

Planckian peak:  $\lambda_P \sim 4\mu\text{m}$  ( $1000 \text{ K}/T$ )

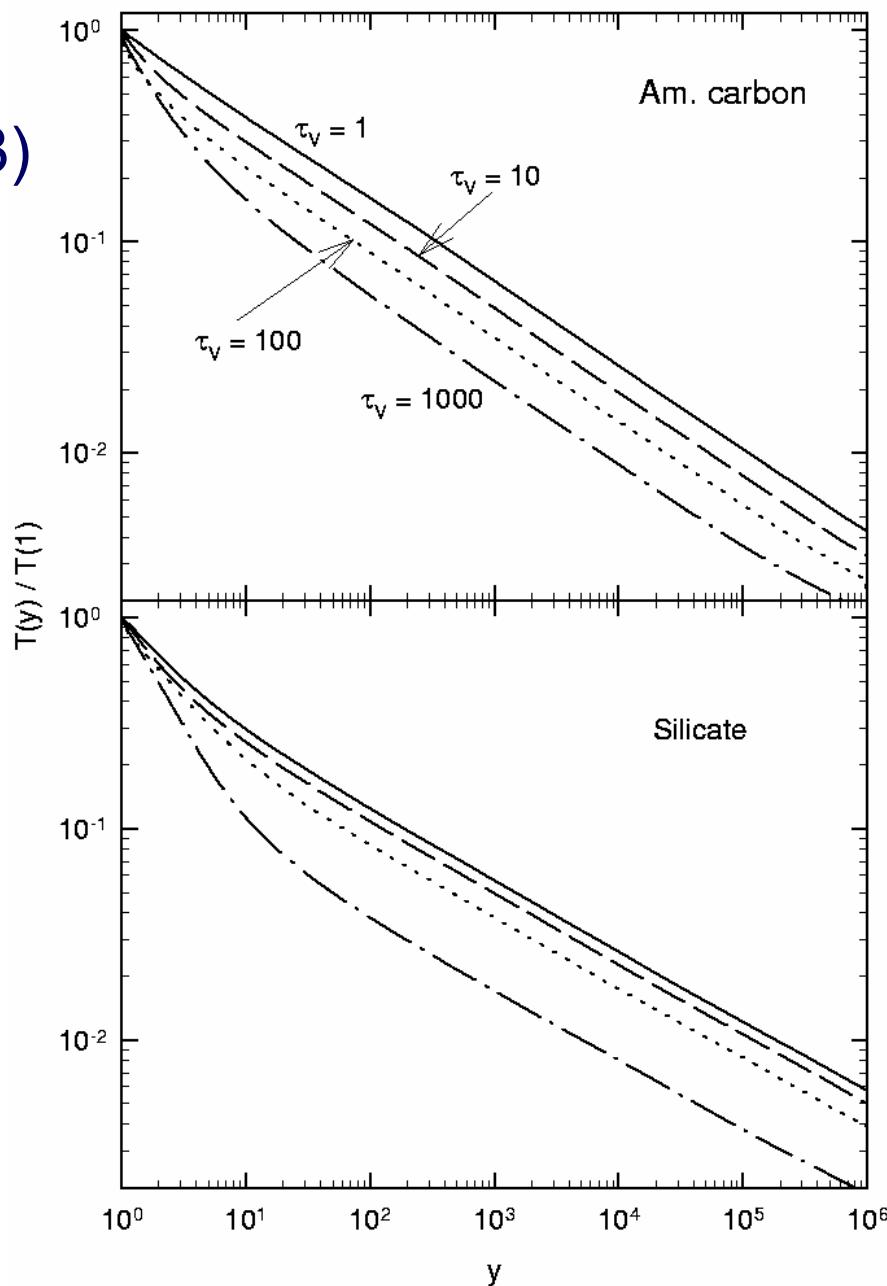
$$Q_P(T) \sim Q_a(\lambda_P)$$

$$Q_\lambda \sim 1/\lambda^n \Rightarrow Q_P(T) \sim T^n \quad (n \sim 1 - 2)$$

$$T \propto r^{-2/(4+n)}$$

Slow temperature decline

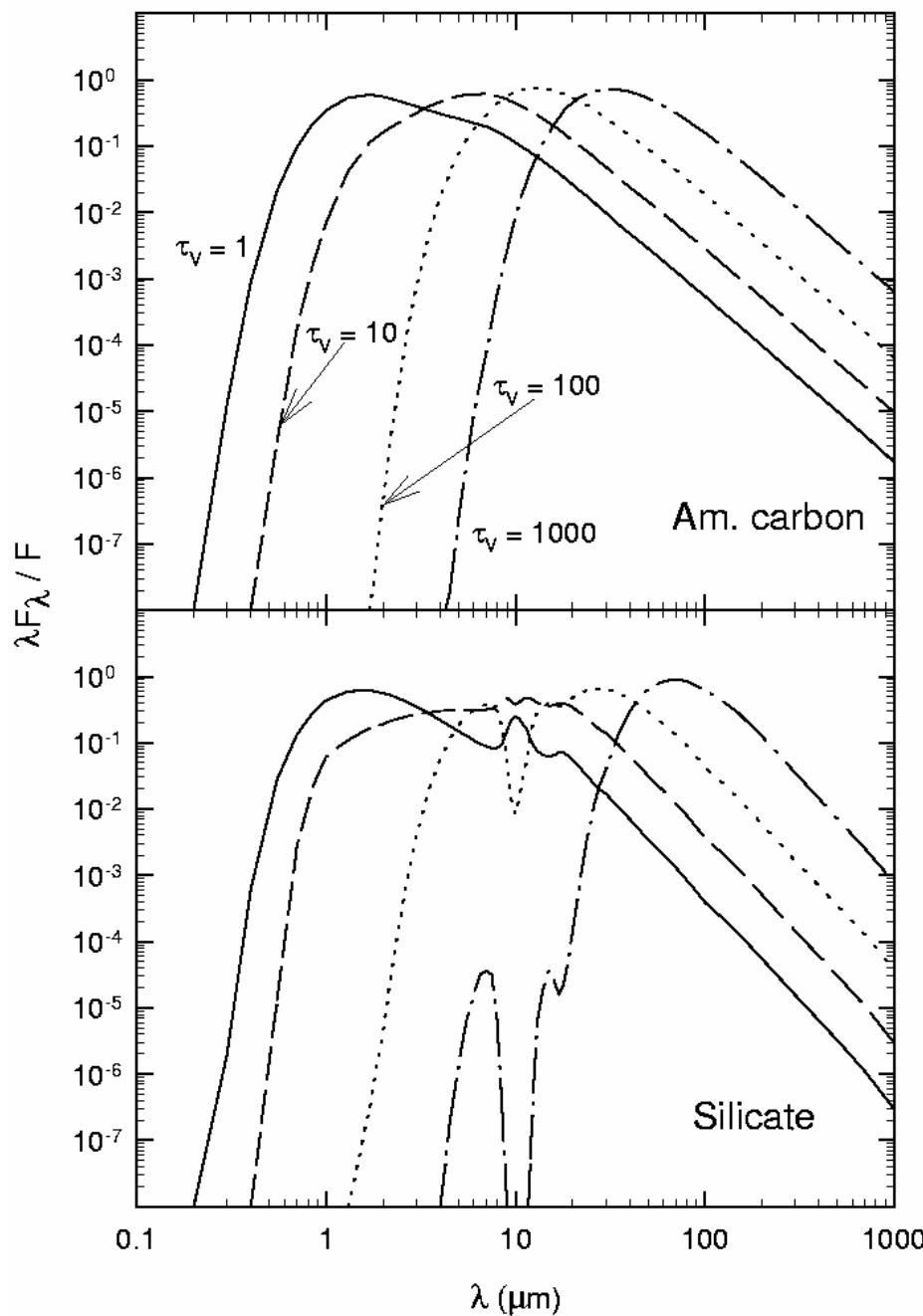
## Dust Temperature (3)



$$\begin{aligned} T^* &= 2500 \text{ K} \\ a &= .05 \mu\text{m} \\ n_d &\propto r^{-2} \\ T_1 &= 700 \text{ K} \end{aligned}$$

Ivezić & Elitzur '97  
MNRAS 287, 799

SED



Single-T approximation:

$$I_\lambda = B_\lambda(T)[1 - \exp(-\tau_\lambda)] \\ \{ + I_{in} \exp(-\tau_\lambda)\}$$

$$\tau_\lambda < 1: \quad I_\lambda \simeq B_\lambda(T)\tau_\lambda$$

$$\tau_\lambda > 1: \quad I_\lambda \simeq B_\lambda(T)$$

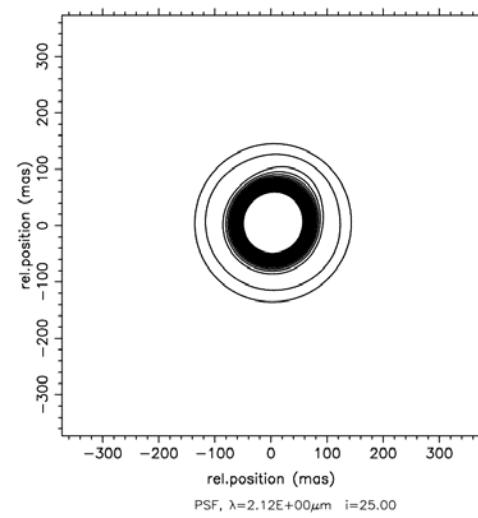
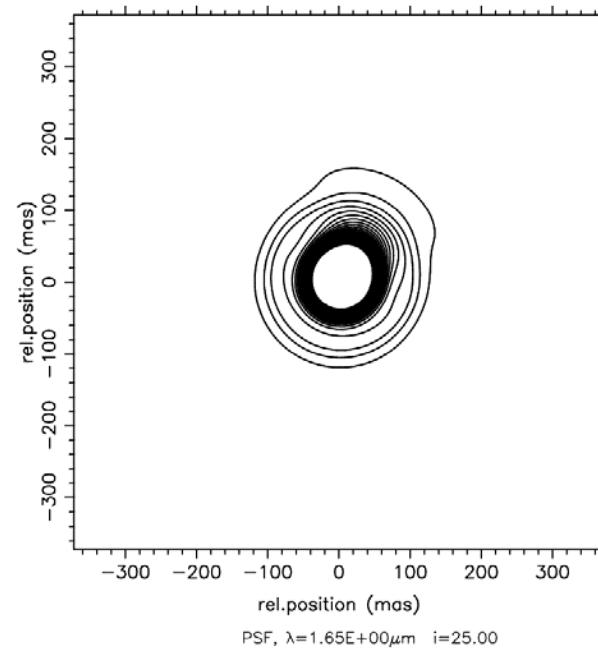
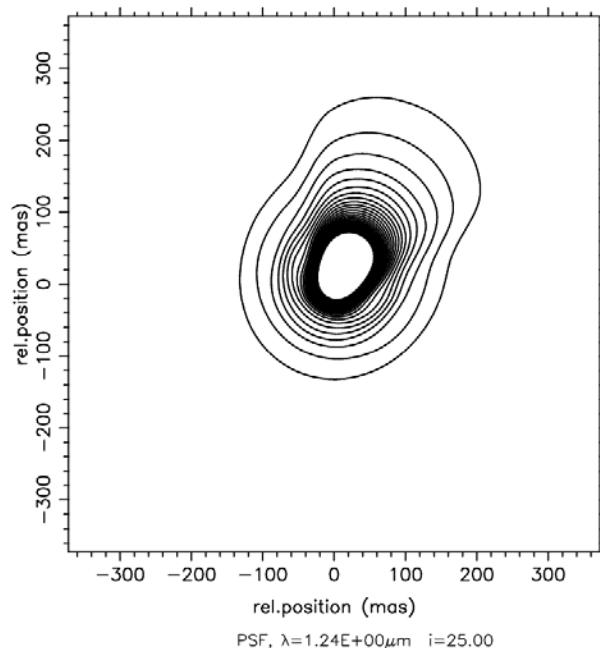
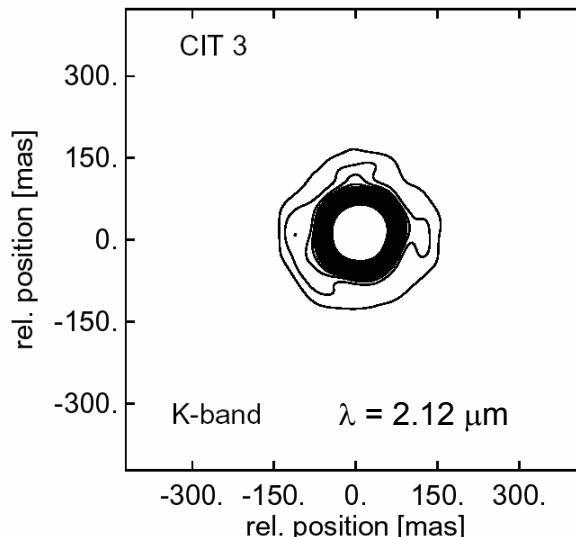
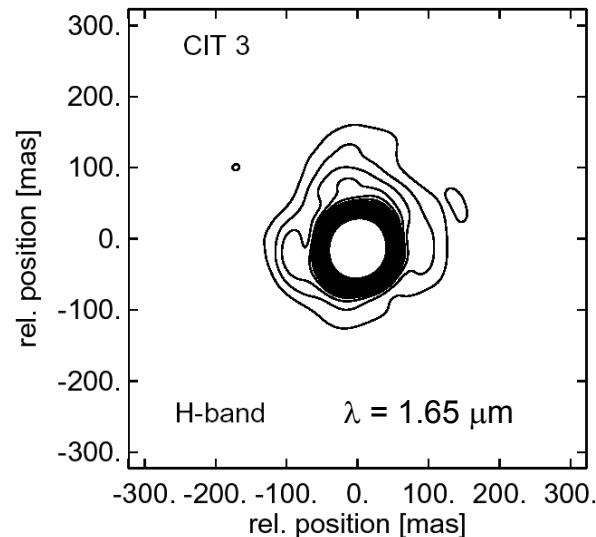
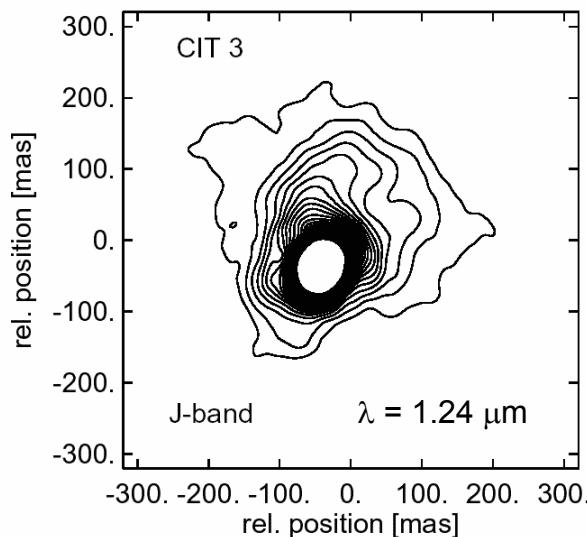
T gradient  $\Rightarrow$  absorption feature

# Scattering vs Emission

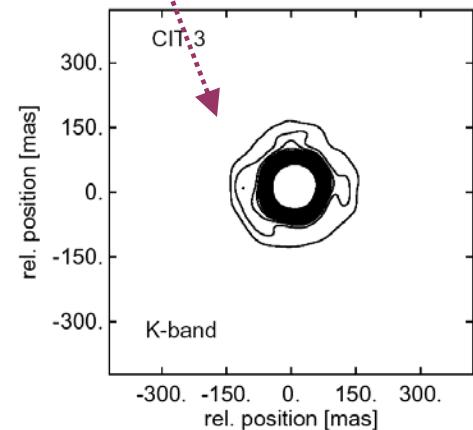
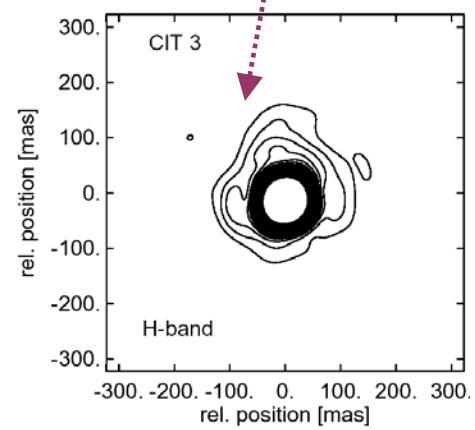
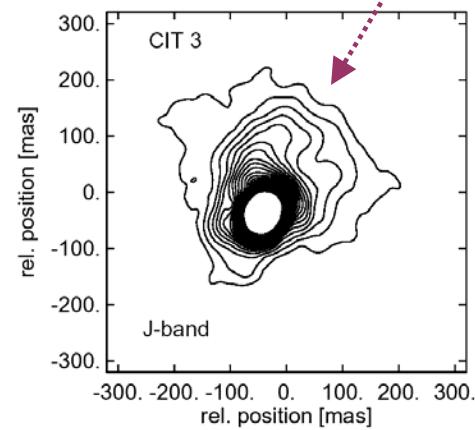
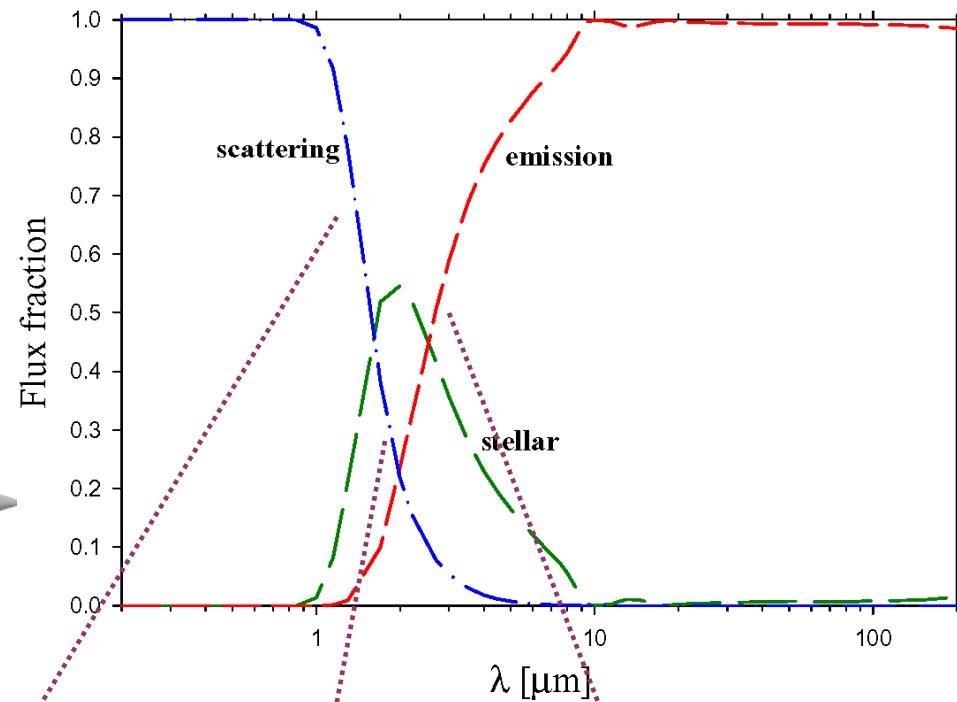
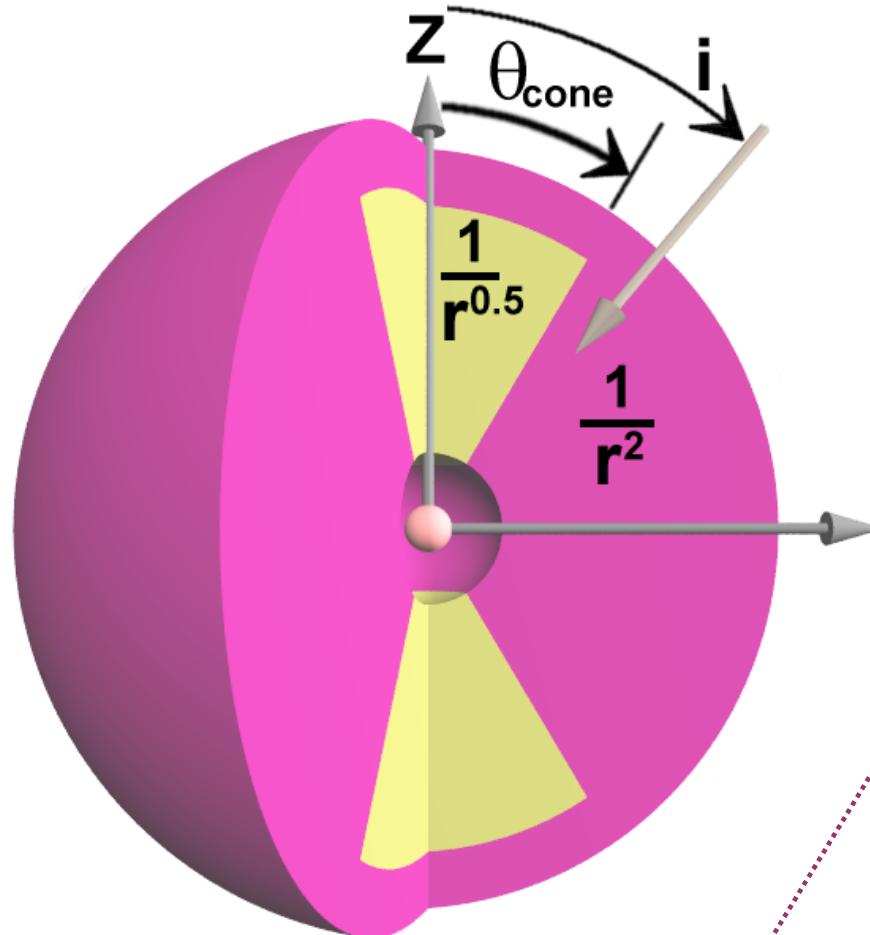
- Dust sublimation at  $T \gtrsim 1500$  K
- No dust emission at  $\lambda \lesssim 3 \mu\text{m}$
- Scattering traces the dust density distribution
- Emission reflects also the temperature profile

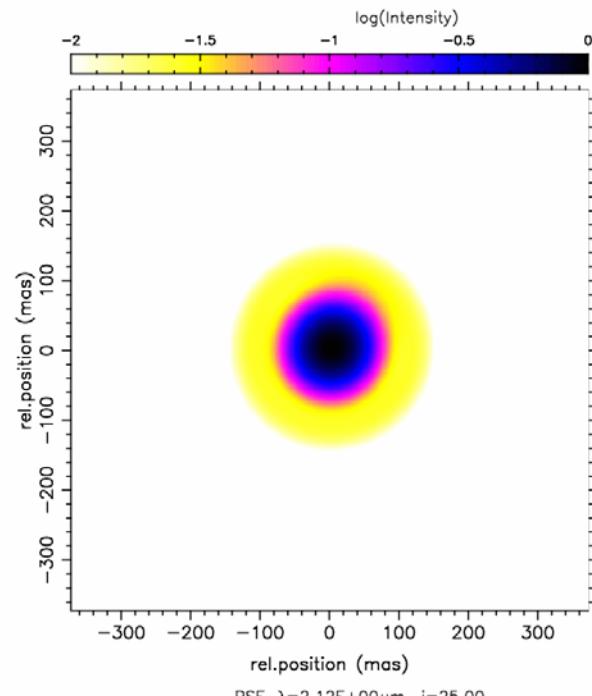
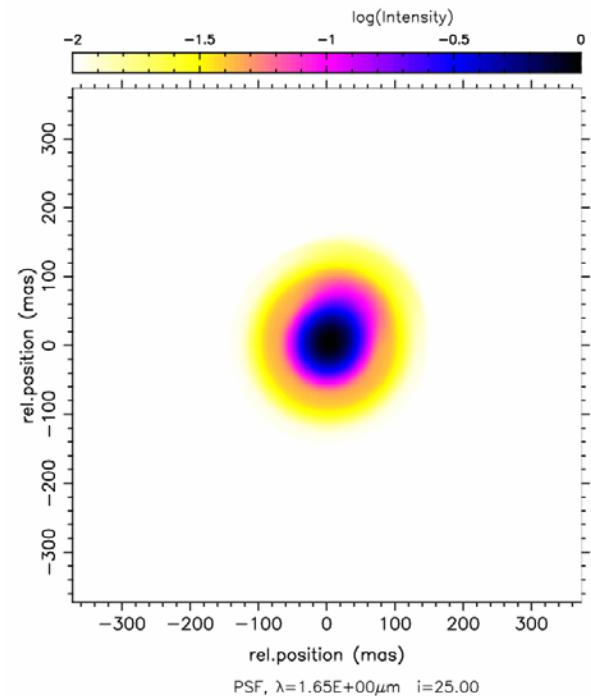
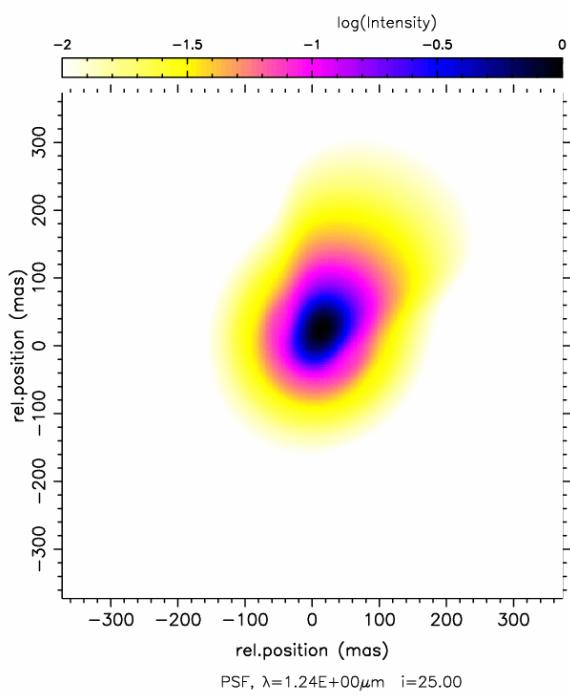
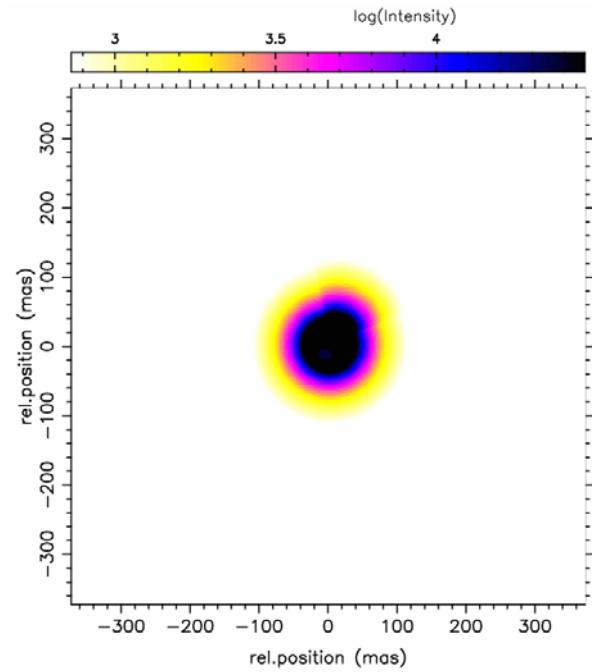
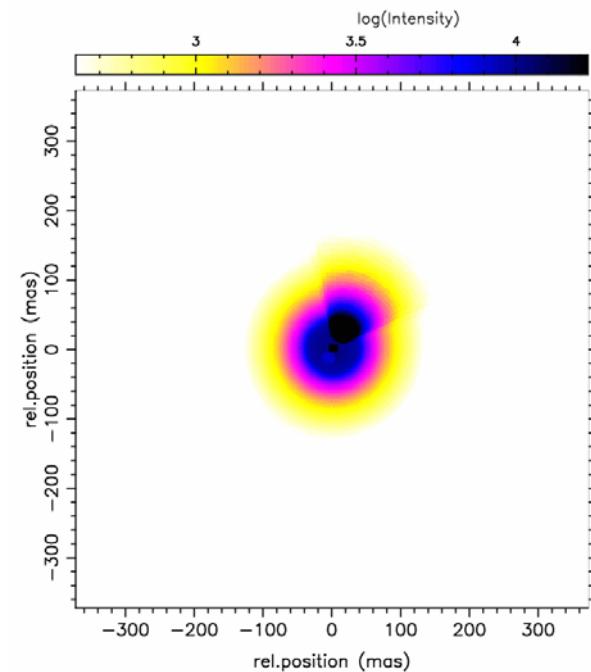
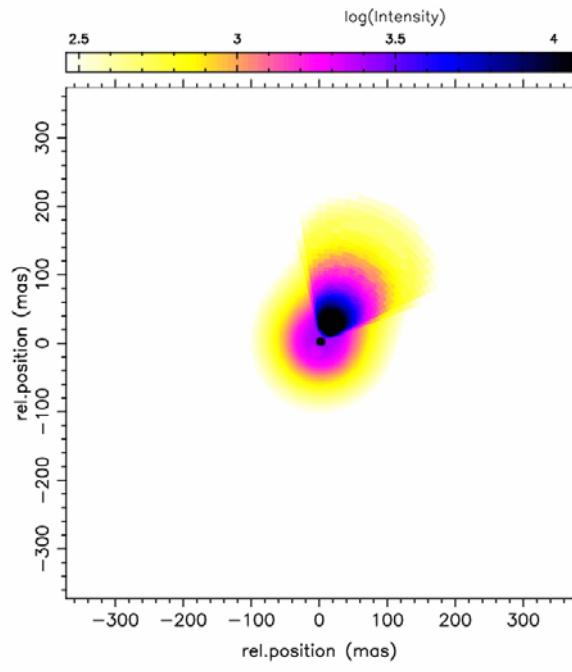
# IRC+10011 (CIT3)

Hofmann et al '01



Vinković et al '04



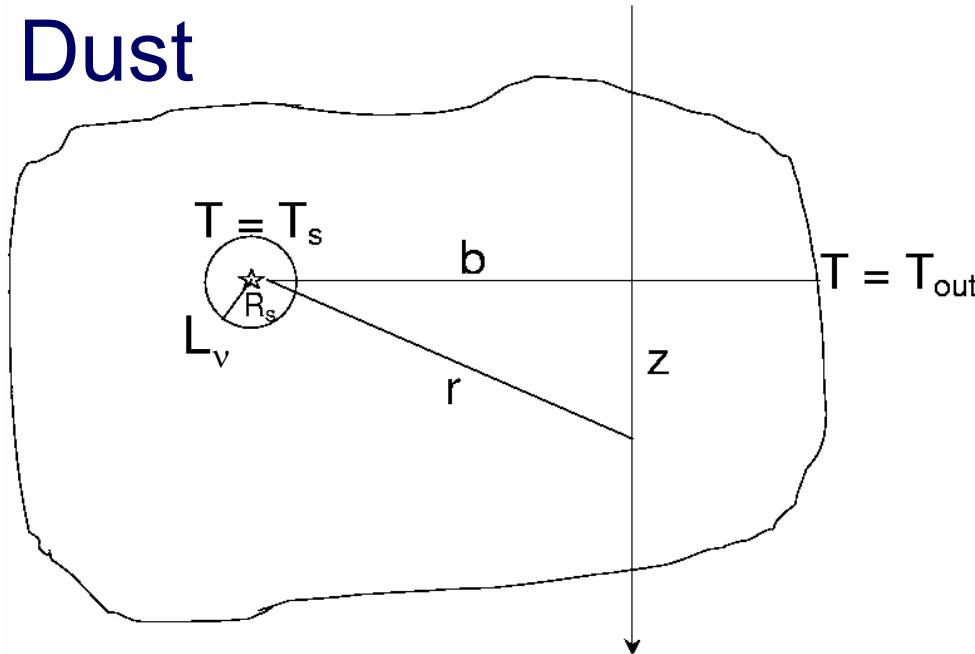


# Lesson #1

What you see is not necessarily what you get  
(depending on the wavelength!)

# Optically Thin Dust

Vinković et al '03,  
MNRAS 346, 1151



$$I_v(b) = \sigma_v \int [(1 - \varpi_v) B_v + \varpi_v J_v] n_d dz$$

$$\lambda \lesssim 3\mu\text{m}: \quad I_v(\theta) = \frac{L_v}{4\pi} \varpi_v \sigma_v \int \frac{n_d dz}{r^2} \quad \theta = b/D^2$$

Because of  $\varpi_v \sigma_v$ , image size decreases with wavelength  
at the same brightness level

# Emission ( $\lambda \gtrsim 3\mu\text{m}$ )

$$I_v(\theta) = \sigma_v \int B_v(T) n_d dz$$

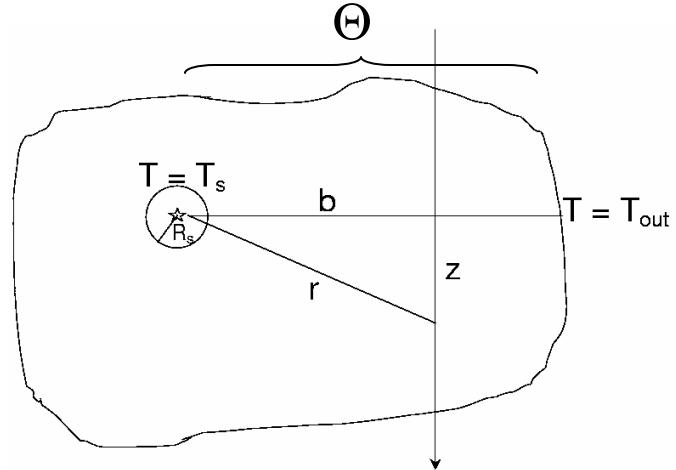
$$\begin{aligned} B_v(T) &\approx (2v^2/c^2) kT & T > T_v \\ &\approx 0 & T < T_v \end{aligned}$$

$$T_v = 0.56 hv/k$$

$$\lambda_{\text{out}} = 100\mu\text{m} (40 \text{ K}/T_{\text{out}})$$

$\lambda > \lambda_{\text{out}} \Rightarrow$  full contribution; size =  $\Theta$

$\lambda < \lambda_{\text{out}} \Rightarrow$  truncate at  $T(b) < T_v$

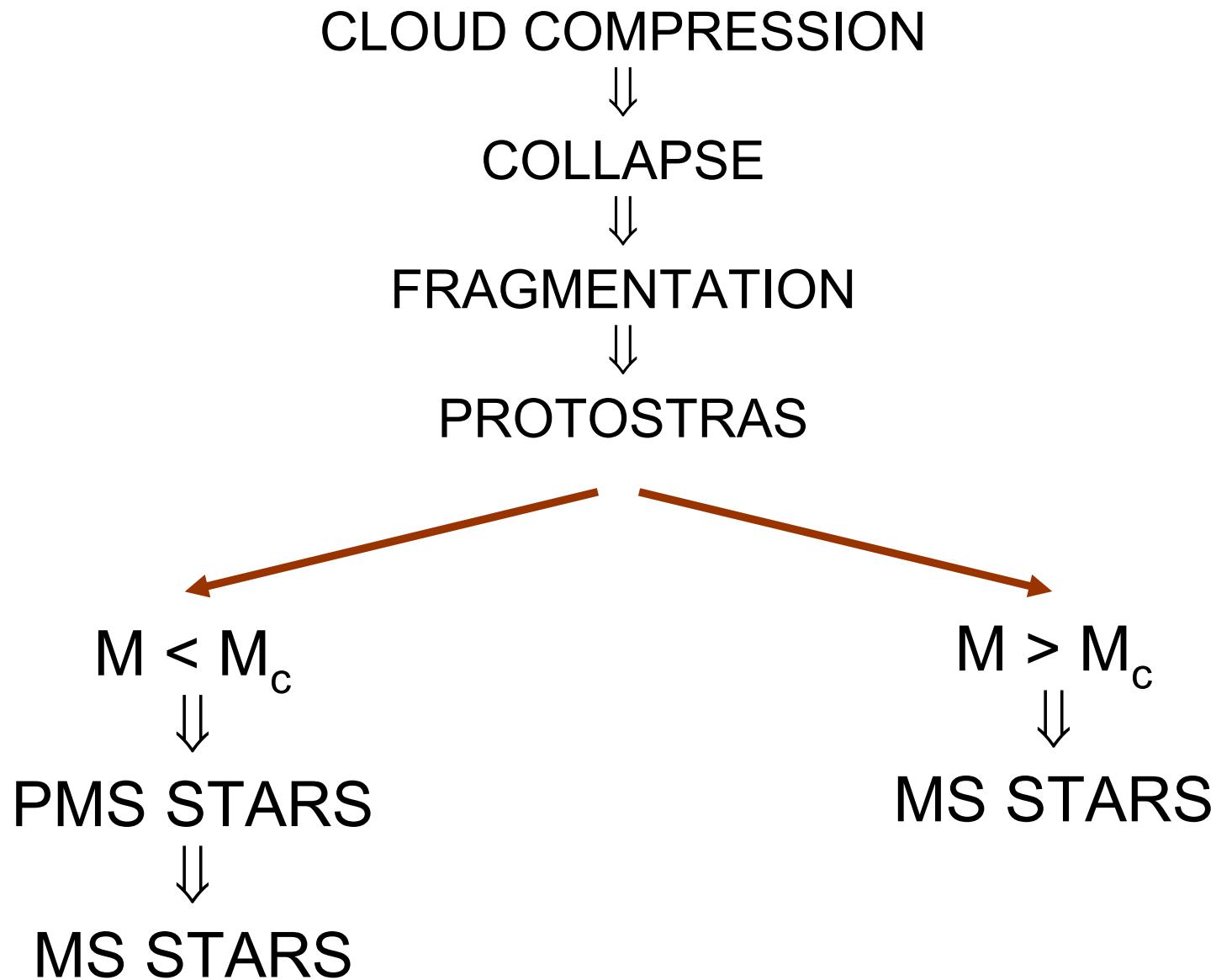


$$\theta_\lambda = \Theta \times \begin{cases} (\lambda/\lambda_{\text{out}})^{1/t} & \lambda < \lambda_{\text{out}} \\ 1 & \lambda > \lambda_{\text{out}} \end{cases}$$

$$T = 2/(n + 4)$$

SED:  $\lambda > \lambda_{\text{out}} \Rightarrow F_v \propto v^2 \sigma_v$

$\lambda < \lambda_{\text{out}} \Rightarrow F_v \propto v^2 \sigma_v \theta_\lambda^{3-(p+t)}$   $p$  density index



- Envelope evolves on free-fall time scale:

$$t_{\text{ff}} = 2 \times 10^5 (10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}/n)^{1/2} \text{ years}$$

- Hydrostatic PMS low-mass ( $M \lesssim 3M_{\odot}$ ) core evolution:

$$t_{\text{pms}} \sim 3 \times 10^7 (M_{\odot}/M)^3 \text{ years}$$

$M \lesssim 2 M_{\odot}$

$2 M_{\odot} \lesssim M \lesssim 10 M_{\odot}$

$M \gtrsim 10-15 M_{\odot}$

T-Tauri

Herbig Ae/Be

no PMS

# Protostellar Accretion Disks

- $R \sim 10's - 100's \text{ AU}$
- $M \sim .01 - .1 M_{\odot}$

Observational Evidence:

✓ T Tau stars ( $M \lesssim 2 M_{\odot}$ )

? Herbig Ae/Be stars  
( $2 M_{\odot} \lesssim M \lesssim 10 M_{\odot}$ ) IR ?

??? High mass ( $M \gtrsim 10 M_{\odot}$ )

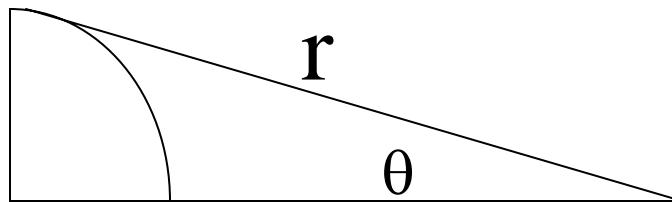
# Protostellar Accretion Disks

Geometrically thin, optically thick:

$$\tau \sim nR = \frac{nR^3}{R^2} \sim \frac{M}{R^2}$$

$I_\lambda = B_\lambda(T)$ , need temperature distribution

# Illuminated Disk



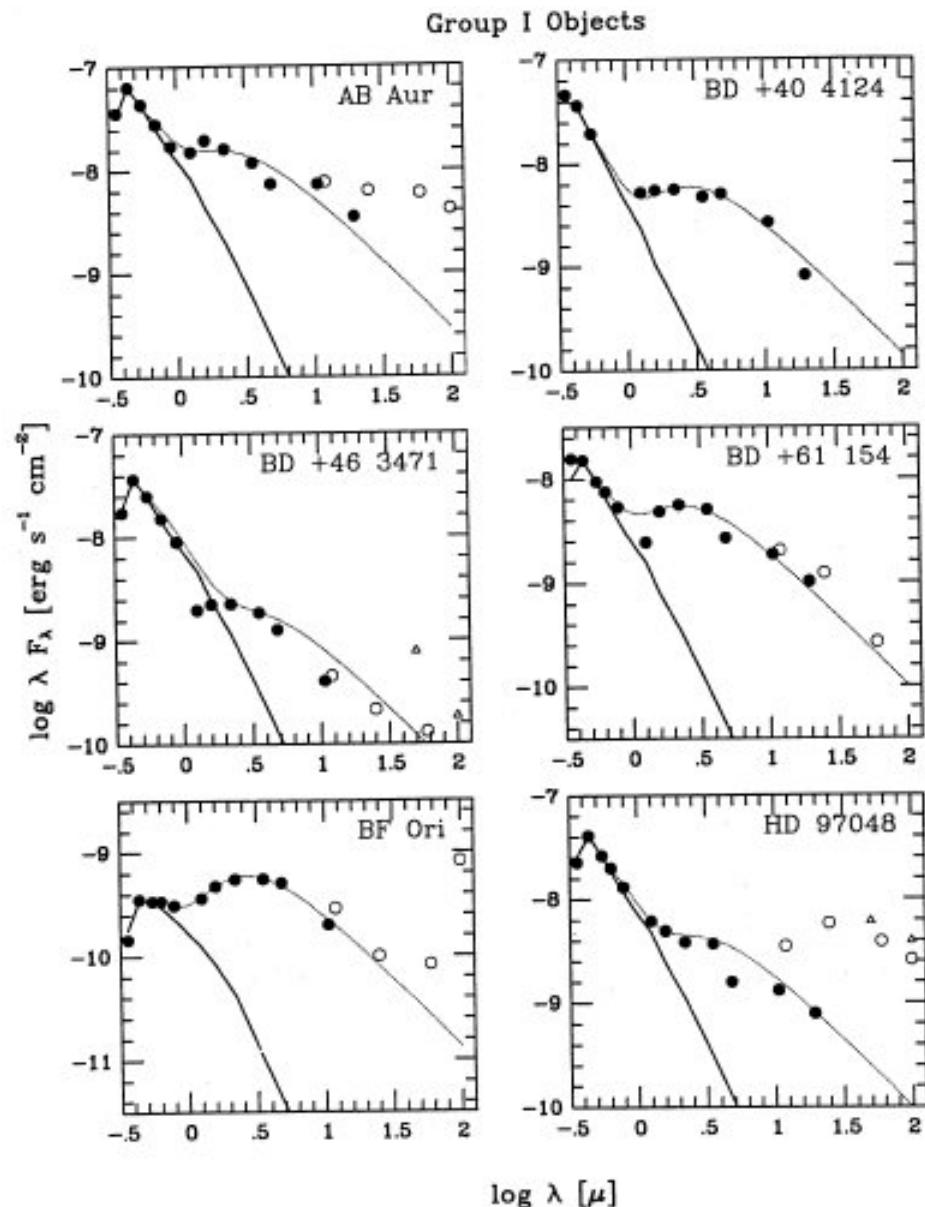
- Heating:  $F_{\text{abs}} = \frac{L_*}{4\pi r^2} \sin \theta \propto r^{-3}$
- Cooling:  $F_{\text{em}} = \sigma T^4$
- Balance:  $T \propto r^{-3/4}$  (accretion too!)

yields:

$$\lambda F_\lambda \propto \lambda^{-4/3}$$

Hillenbrand et al '92

- Group 1 (30):  
 $\lambda F_\lambda \propto \lambda^{-4/3}$ , disks
- Group 2 (11):  
 flat or rising SED, star/disk  
 with additional shell
- Group 3 (6):  
 small IR excess

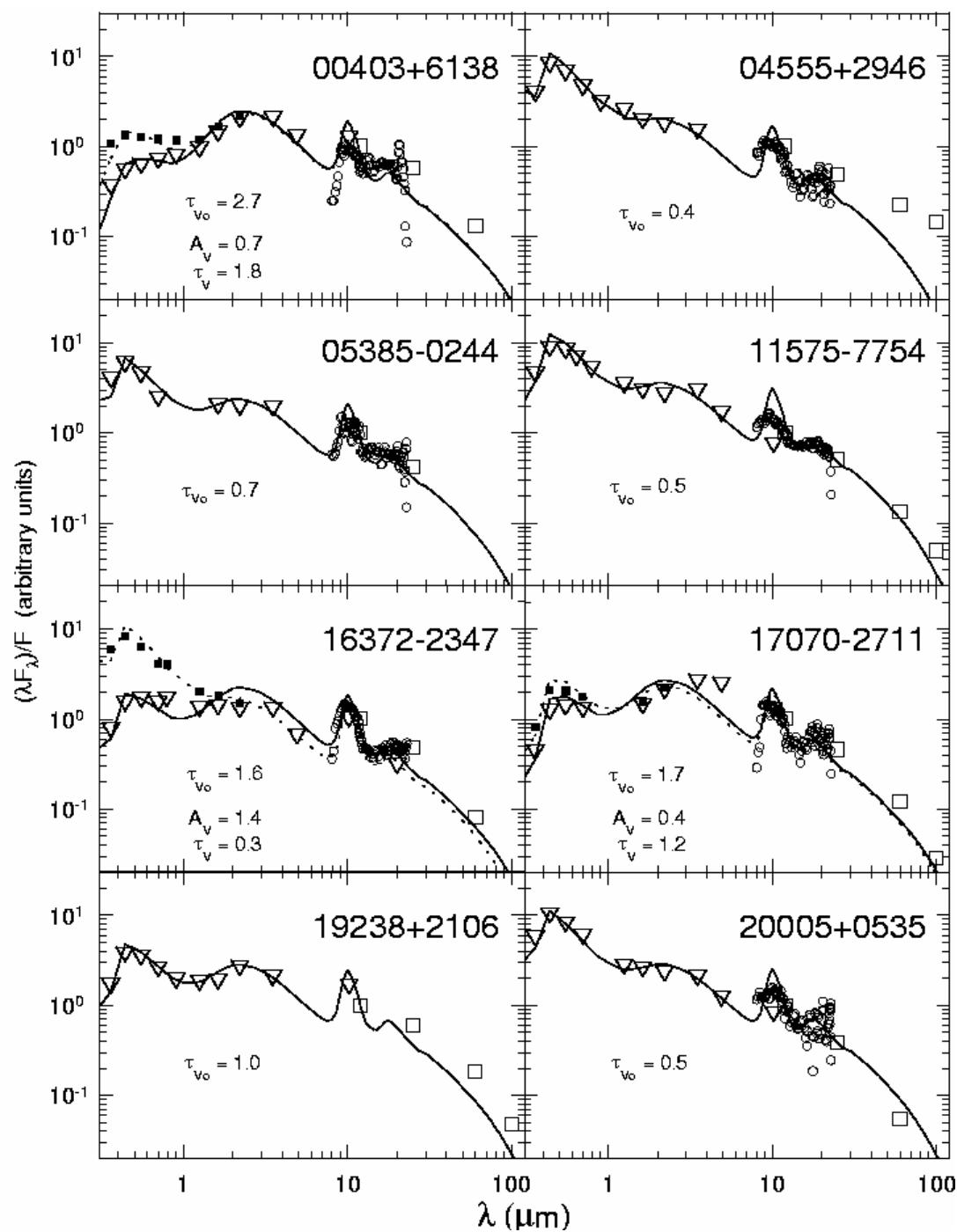


## Problems:

- Hartman et al '93:  
accretion rates are excessive
- Di Francesco et al '94:  
group 1 IR emission is extended!

MIE '97:

$$\rho \propto r^{-3/2}$$



Mannings & Saregnt '97:

2.6 mm incompatible with MIE:

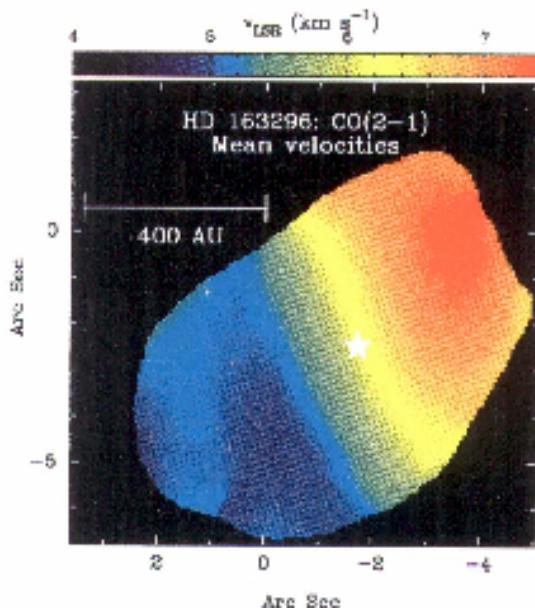
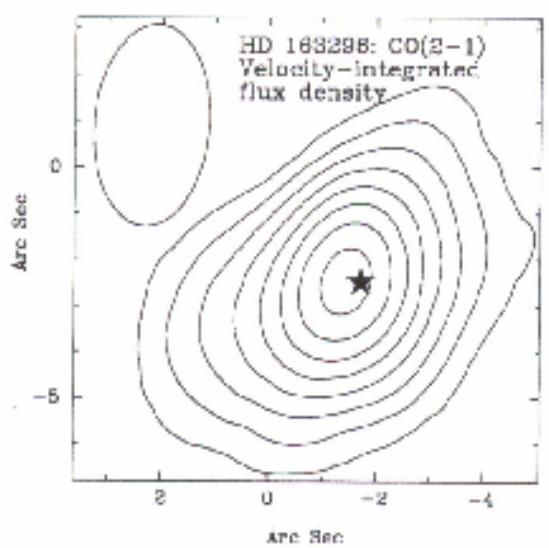
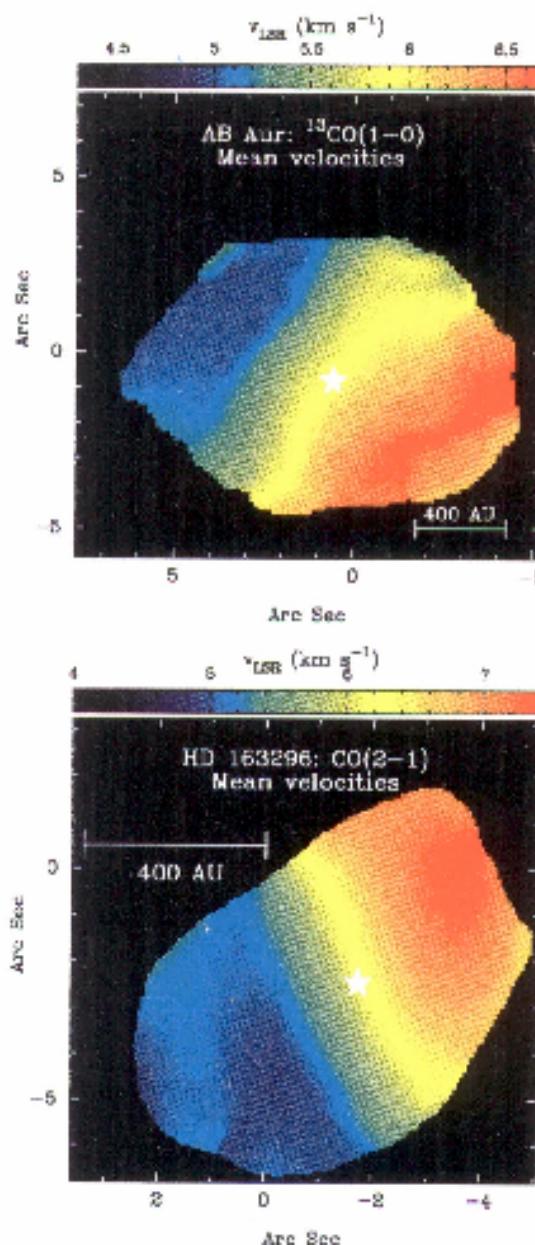
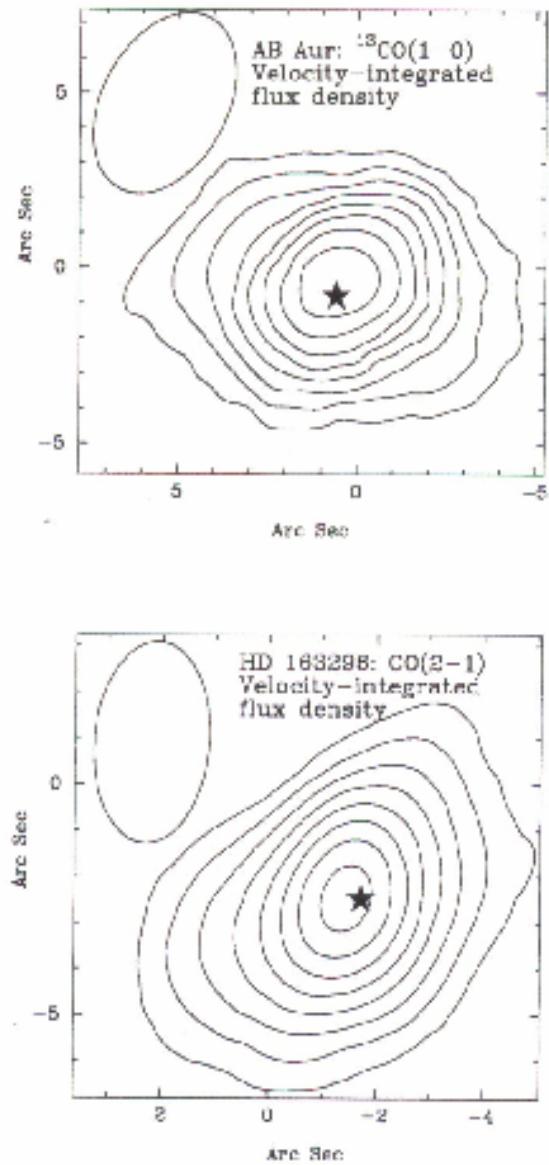
$\tau_V \sim 10^2 - 10^3$  — nonsense!

In particular

	MWC480	MWC683
MS	$\tau_V > 10^3$	600
MIE	$\tau_V = 0.4$	0.3

Conclusion: DISKS!

indeed:



However...

Extrapolate from 2.6 mm with  
 $F_\nu \propto \nu^{1/3}$  — too little 2.2  $\mu\text{m}$ !

- IR best explained with optically thin envelopes, inconsistent with mm
- mm emission best explained with optically thick disks, inconsistent with IR

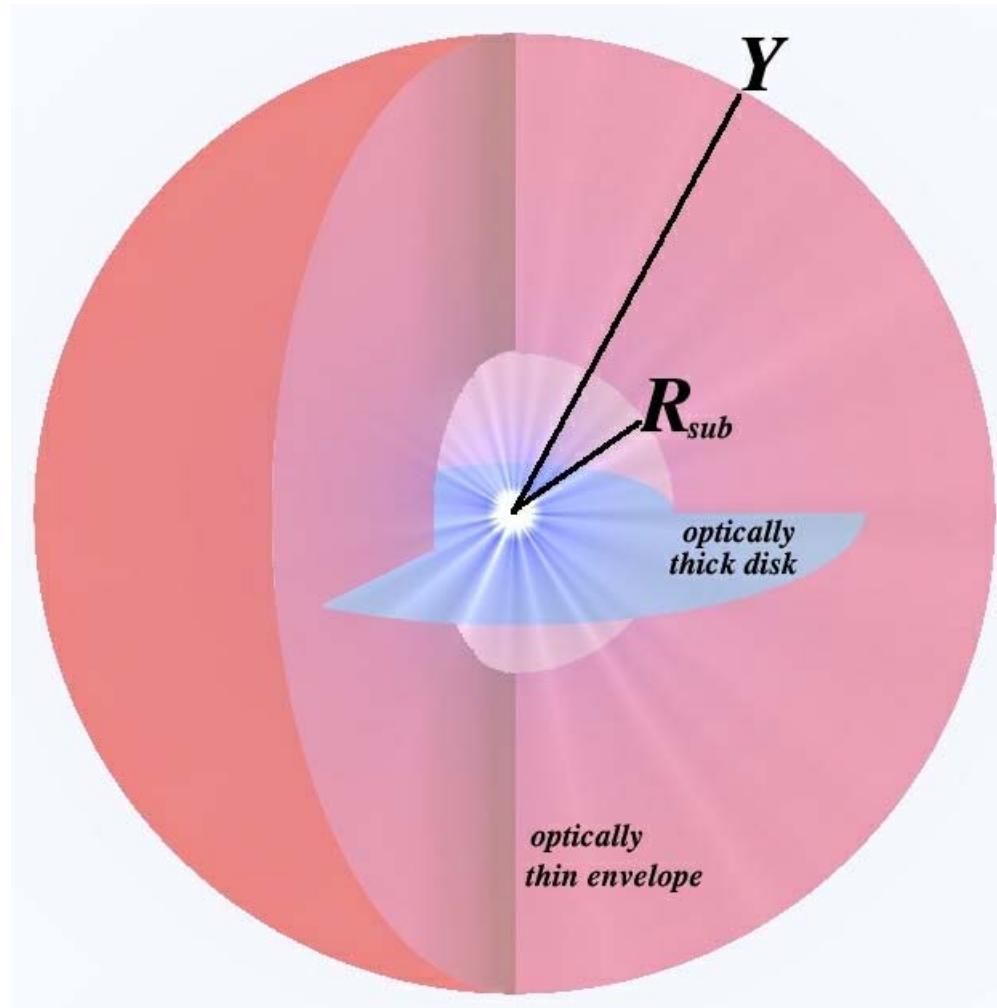
Also, MWC 137 imaging:

$$\theta(50 \mu\text{m}) = 66'' \pm 2''$$

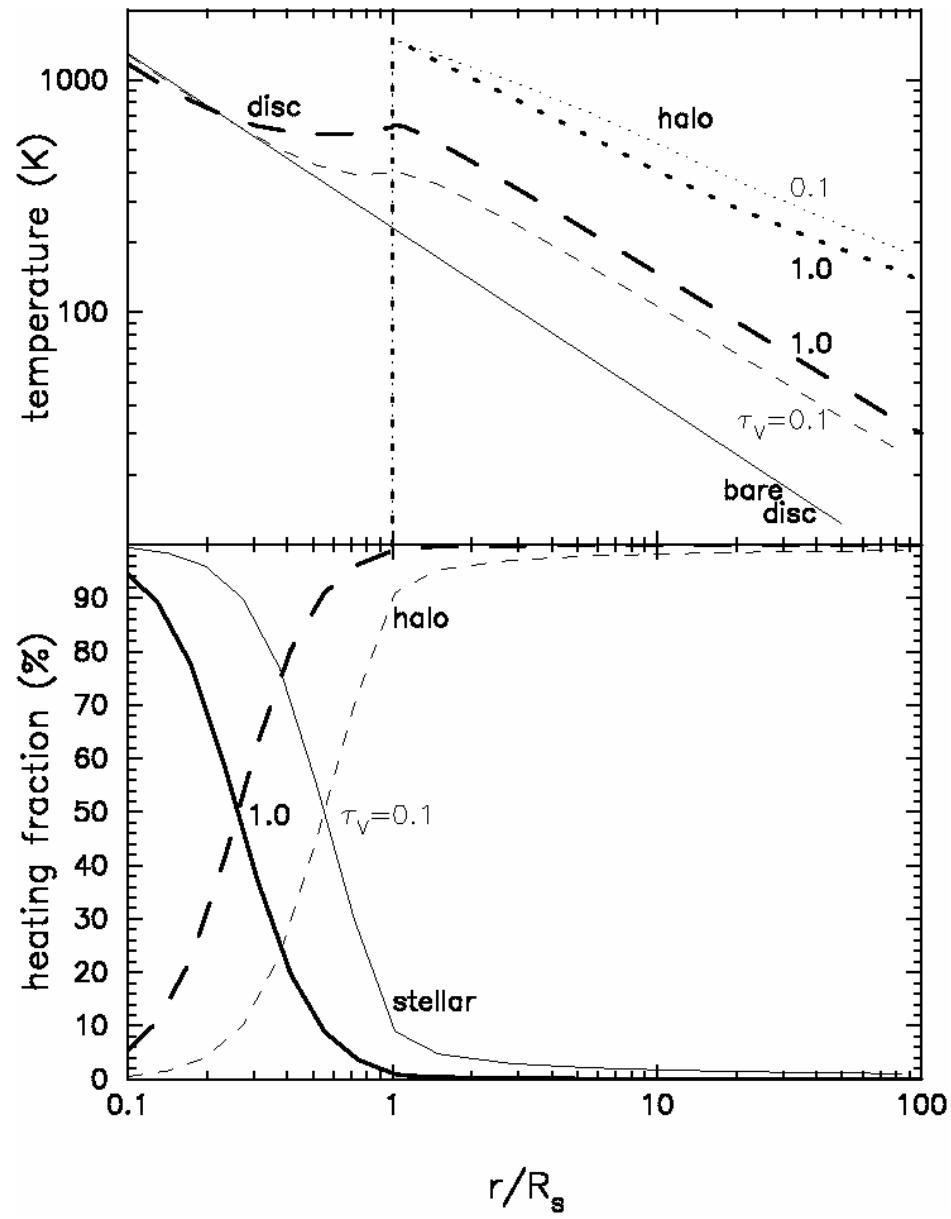
$$\theta(100 \mu\text{m}) = 58'' \pm 2''$$

How can that be?

## Disk Imbedded in Envelope:



# Halo's impact on disk heating



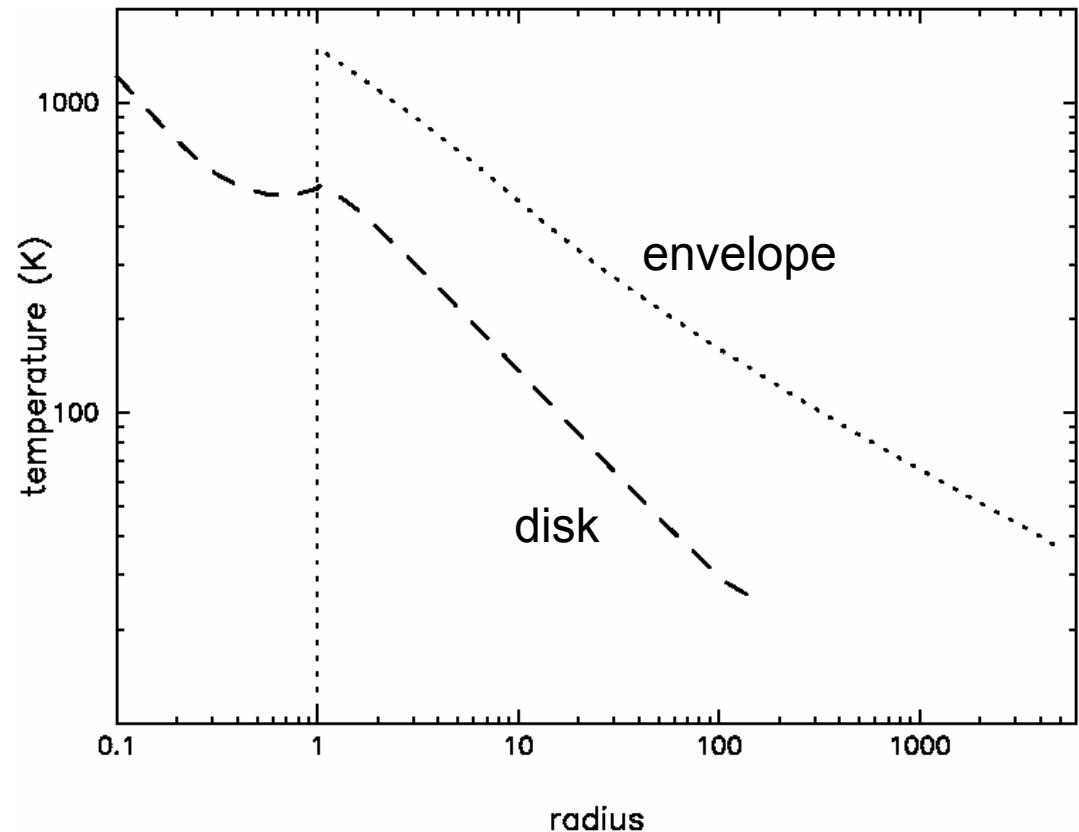
Disk Imbedded in Envelope:

envelope ( $\kappa \propto \lambda^{-1.5}$ ):

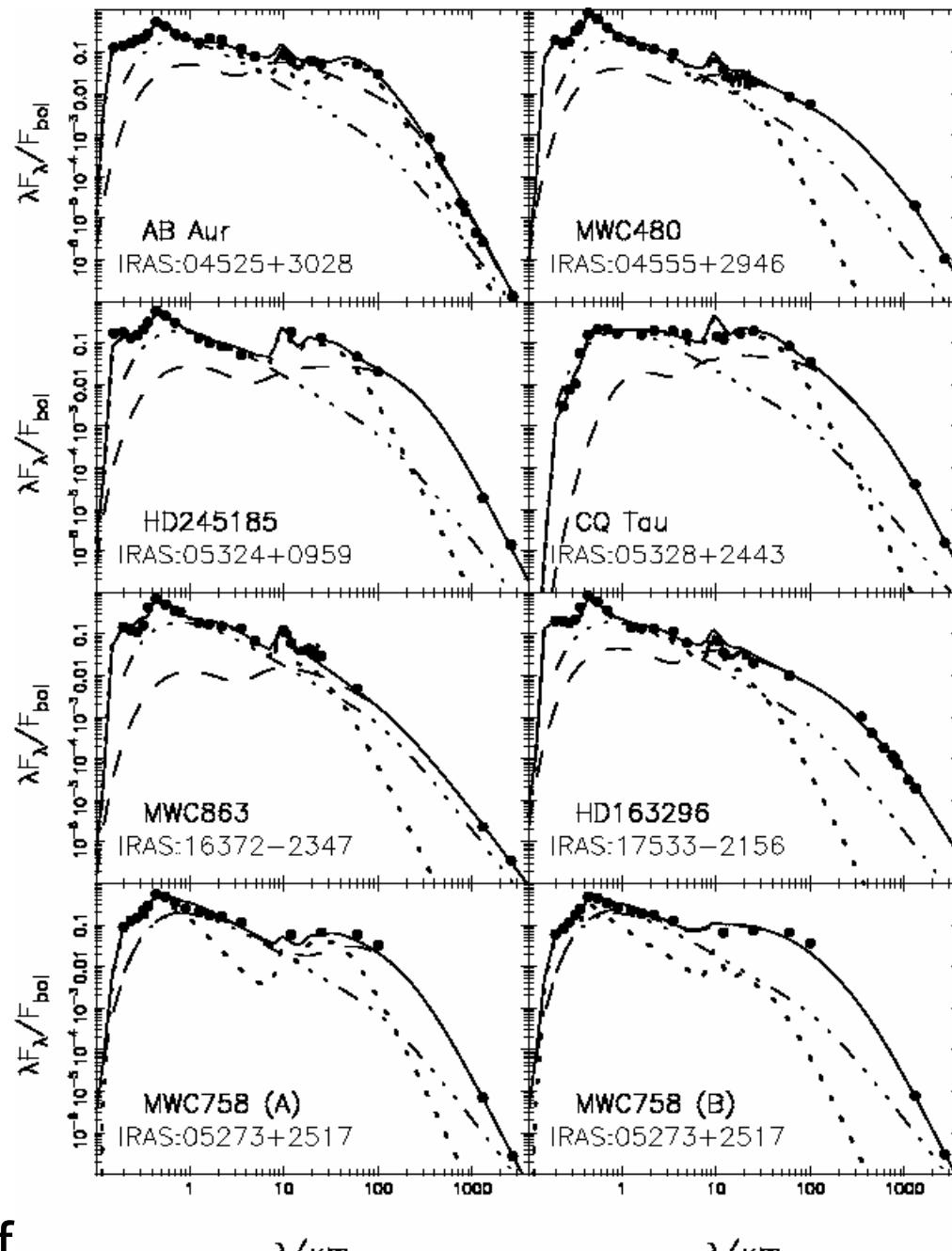
$$T \propto r^{-0.36}$$

“standard” disk:

$$T \propto r^{-0.75}$$



- At the same radius, disk is cooler than envelope
- Smaller disk still contains cooler material



$$f_\lambda = \rho f_{\lambda, \text{disk}} + (1 - \rho) f_{\lambda, \text{env}}$$

$$\lambda / \mu\text{m}$$

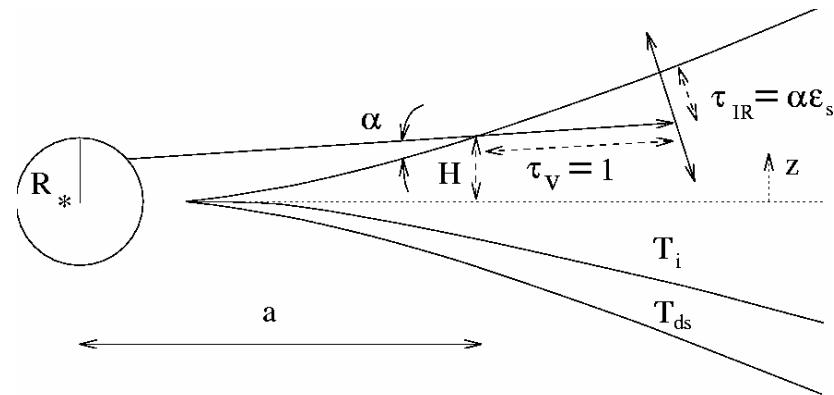
$$\lambda / \mu\text{m}$$

## 2 distributions:

- Disk: compact mm emission
- Envelope:
  - IR emission
  - Disk heating

# ??? Uniqueness ???

Chiang &  
Goldreich '97:



- Disk surface layer may mimic shell with density profile  $\eta$

$$F_{CG} = \frac{2\pi R_s^2}{D^2} q_v \int B_v(T) \alpha \, da$$

$$F_{sph} = \frac{4\pi R_s^2}{D^2} q_v \int B_v(T) \eta \, dy$$

Flaring profile  $\alpha \Leftrightarrow$  spherical density profile  $\alpha(r)/r$

SED degeneracy!!!

Multi-wavelength imaging essential for  
determining the geometry

