



# Debris Disks and Their Dust



since 1558

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# Before Starting...

... let me introduce myself.

# Jena

- First mentioned in 1236

- $\approx 100\ 000$  citizens ( $\approx 25\ 000$  students)

- Wine cultivation

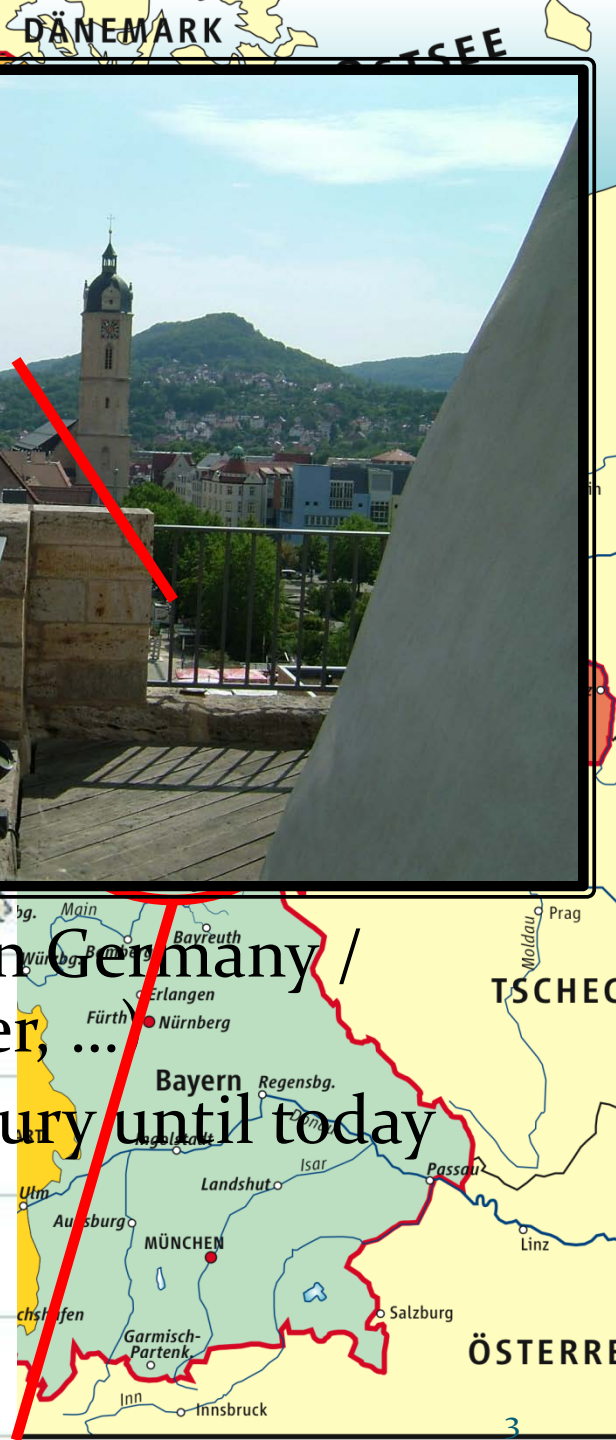
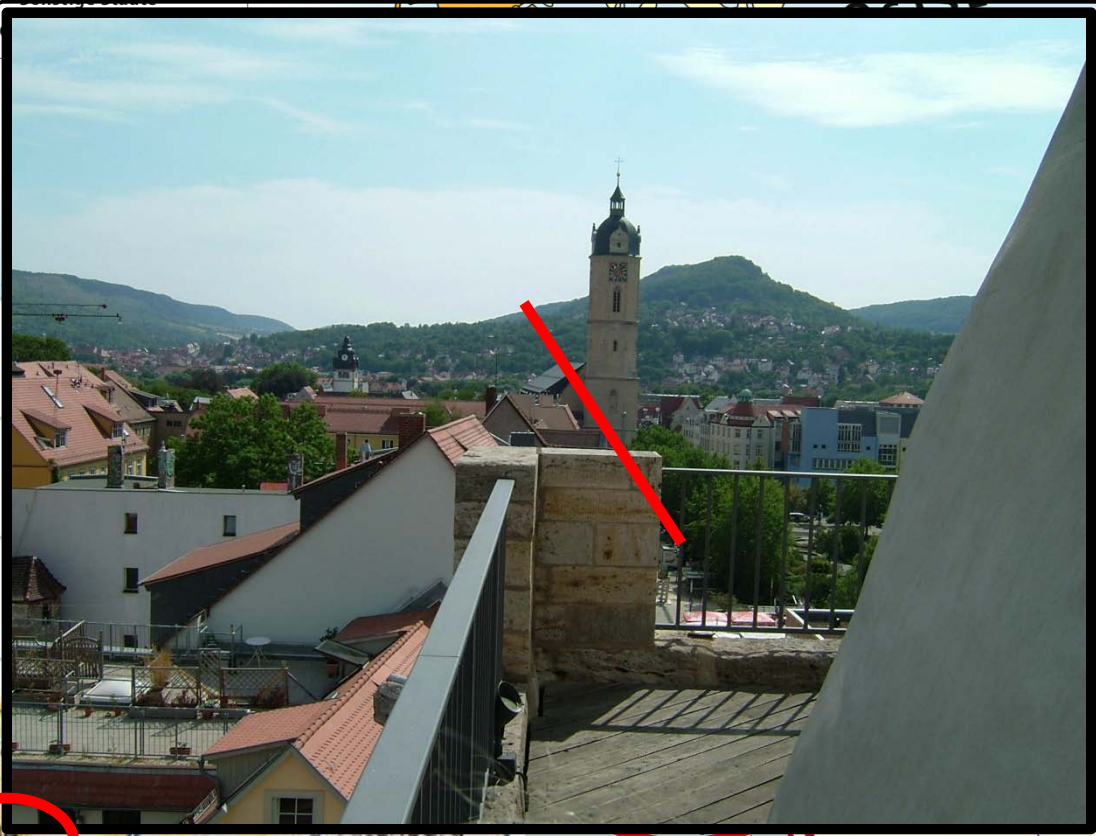
- University founded in 1558

- Center for philosophy and literature in Germany / Europe in 19<sup>th</sup> century (Goethe, Schiller, ...)

- Center for optics from mid of 19<sup>th</sup> century until today (Ernst Abbe, Carl Zeiss, Otto Schott)

- “Science City” 2008

MAINZ = Landeshauptstadt  
Fürth = Sonstige Städte  
• Städte





# The Astrophysical Institute



Kobe, September 10, 2009

# The Astrophysical Institute

The observer group: Prof. R. Neuhäuser

- Search for exoplanets
- Neutron stars





# The Astrophysical Institute

The laboratory group: Dr. H Mutschke

- Spectroscopy on dust from UV to mid-IR



# The Astrophysical Institute

The theory group: Prof. A. V. Krivov

- Protoplanetary disk modeling
- Giant planet formation
- Debris disk modeling



# Now let's get started!

## Outline

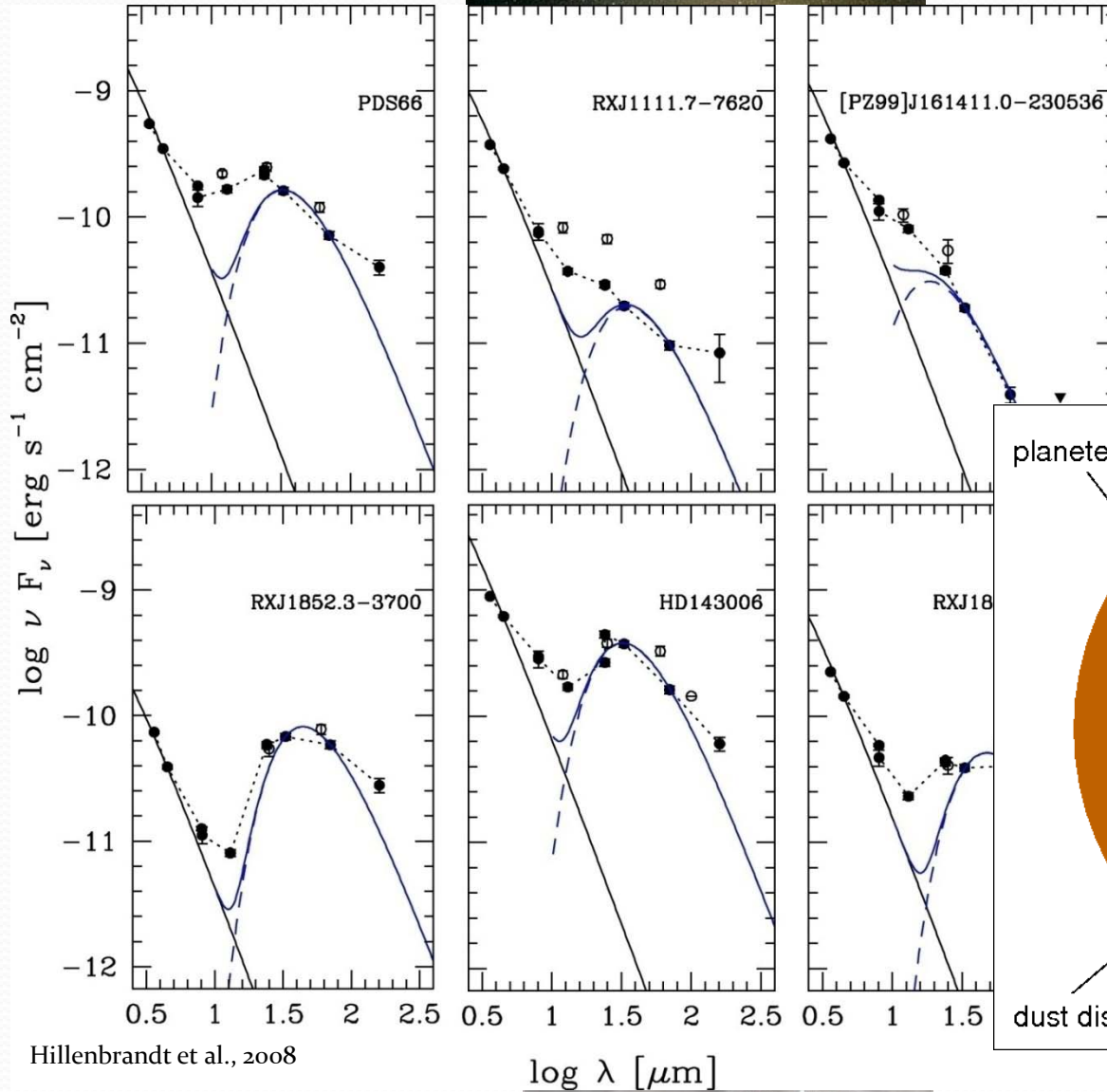
- Definition of debris disks
- Modeling of debris disks
  - Classical Approach
  - New Approach
- Outlook
- Summary



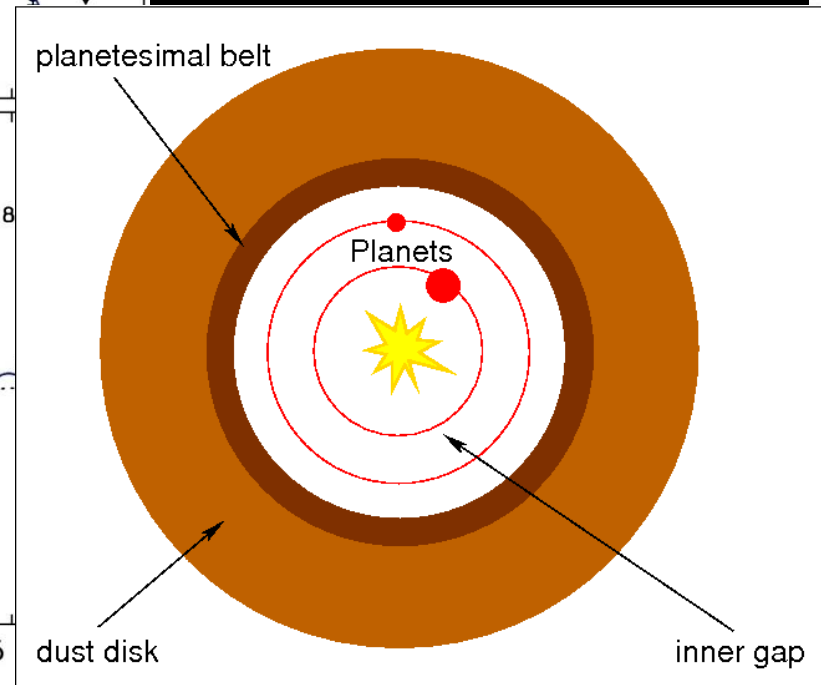
# Debris Disks

An introduction

# Definitio



Hillenbrandt et al., 2008



# Information Sources

- **Findings:**
  - ~ 15 % of MS stars host debris disks  
→ Similar frequencies for AFGK stars  
(earlier types may be slightly favored)  
(e.g. Trilling et al., 2007, 2008; Hillenbrand et al., 2008)
  - Strength of excess decreases with age  
(Zuckerman & Song, 2004; Moór et al., 2006)
  - No correlation with metallicity  
(Greaves et al., 2006; Beichman et al., 2006)



# Debris Disk Modeling

It's all about dust!

# Classical Approach

TABLE 2  
Spitzer PHOTOMETRY IN mJy

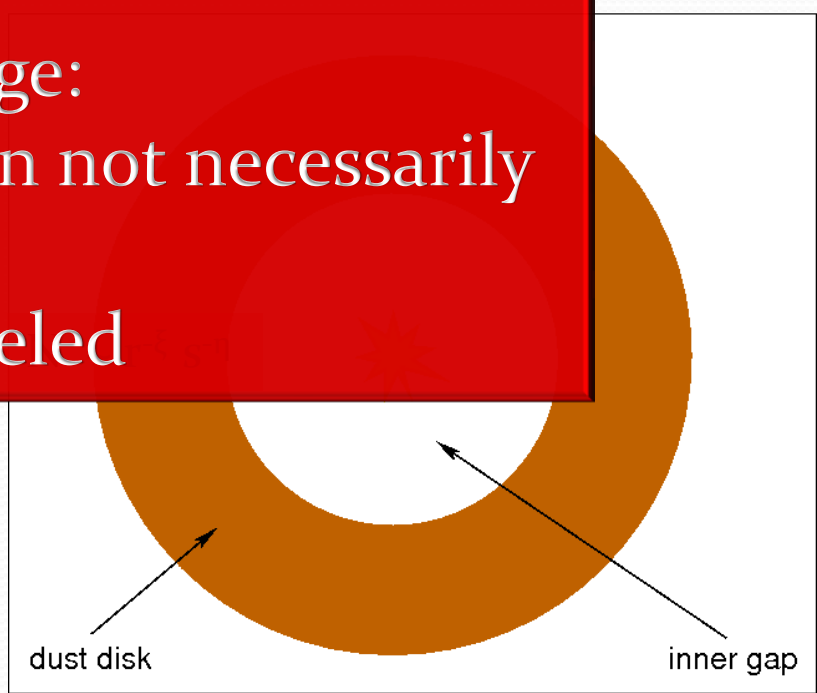
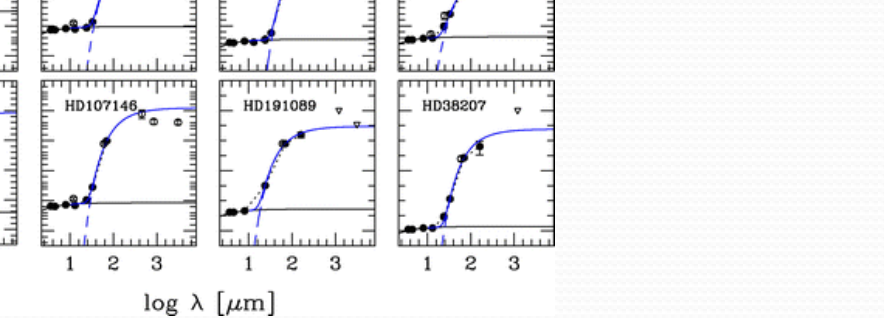
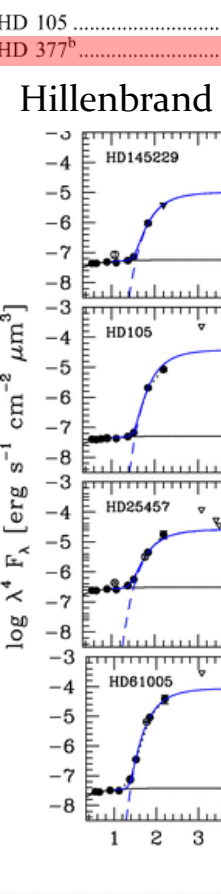
Source	3.6 $\mu\text{m}$	4.5 $\mu\text{m}$	8.0 $\mu\text{m}$	13 $\mu\text{m}^{\text{a}}$	24 $\mu\text{m}$	33 $\mu\text{m}^{\text{a}}$	70 $\mu\text{m}$	160 $\mu\text{m}$
HD 105	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	110.1 ± 16.7
HD 377 <sup>b</sup>	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	10.2 ± 1.1	187.5 ± 50.4

Advantage:

- Quick and easy to use

Disadvantage:

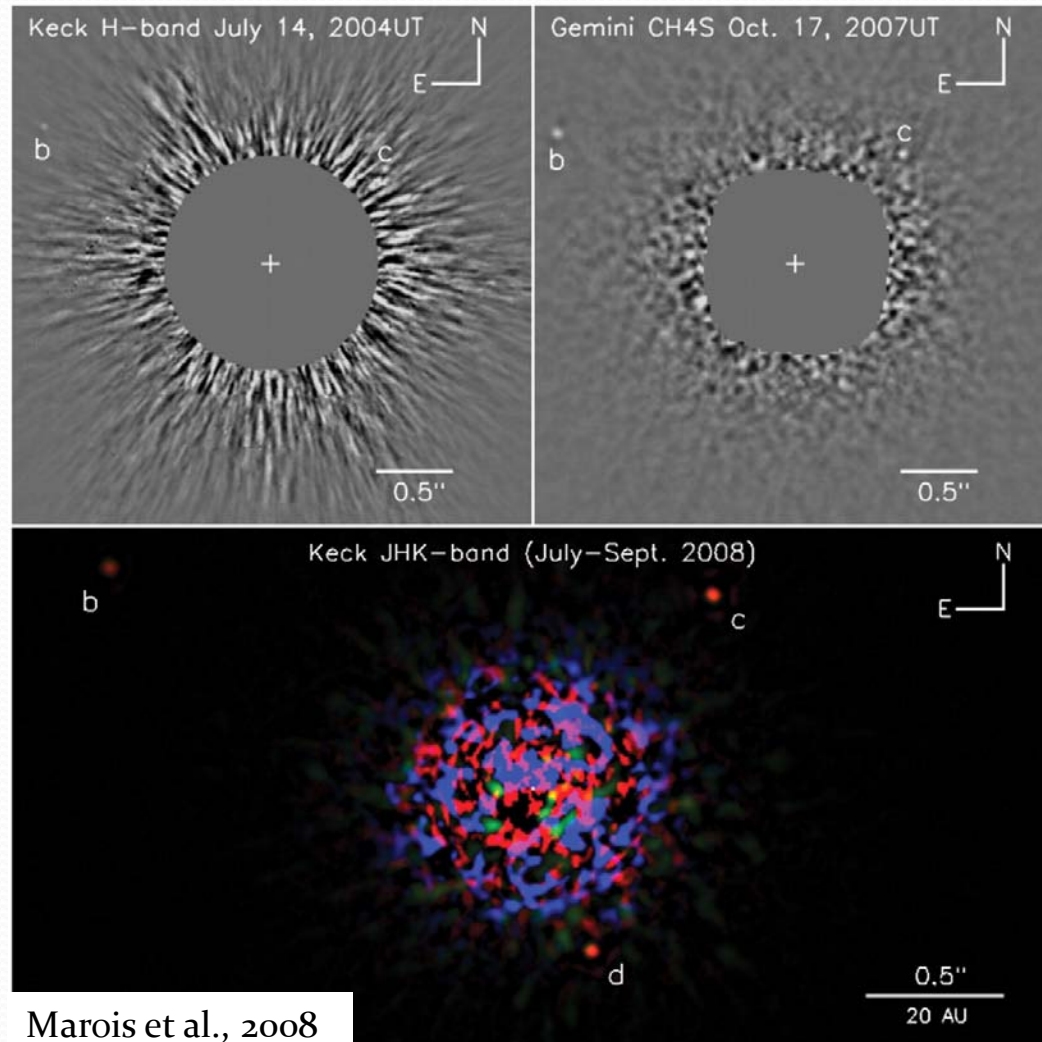
- Assumed dust distribution not necessarily justified
- Only dust portion is modeled



# Classical Approach - Application

Investigation of the system HR 8799

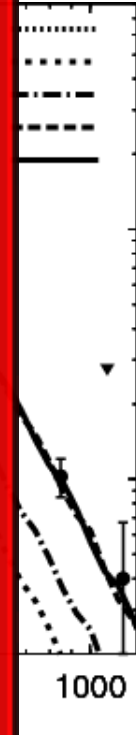
- A5 V star at 40 pc
- IR-excess long known
- Special:  
3 planets discovered!





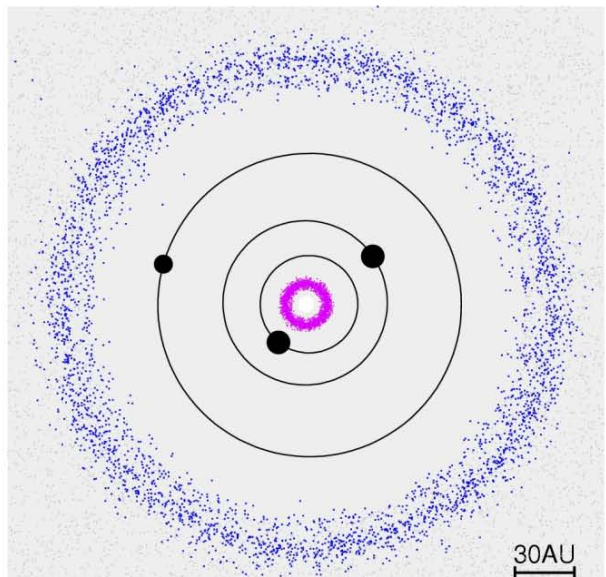
# Results:

- Favor a rather younger age ( $\leq 50\text{Myr}$ )
- Nearly pole-on ( $20 - 30^\circ$ )
- Evolutionary models suggest masses  $\leq 7 - 10 M_{\text{Jup}}$
- Planets stable for  $5 - 13 M_{\text{Jup}}$  depending on systems orientation
  - higher masses require 2 : 1 resonance
- Planetesimal belts stable
- SED consistent with modeled planetesimal location
  - dust masses of  $1 \cdot 10^{-5}$  and  $4 \cdot 10^{-2} M_{\text{Earth}}$

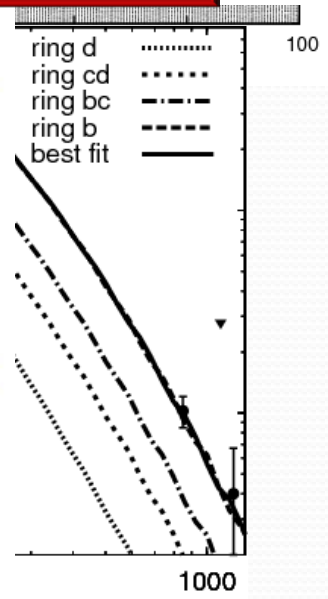
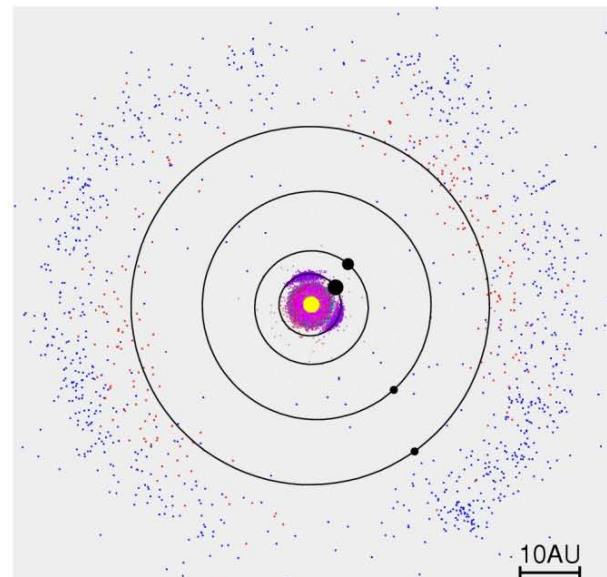


- Dust
- Planetary system
- $M_{\text{dust}}$
- $\text{Stable}$
- Stability

Planetary system HR 8799



Solar system

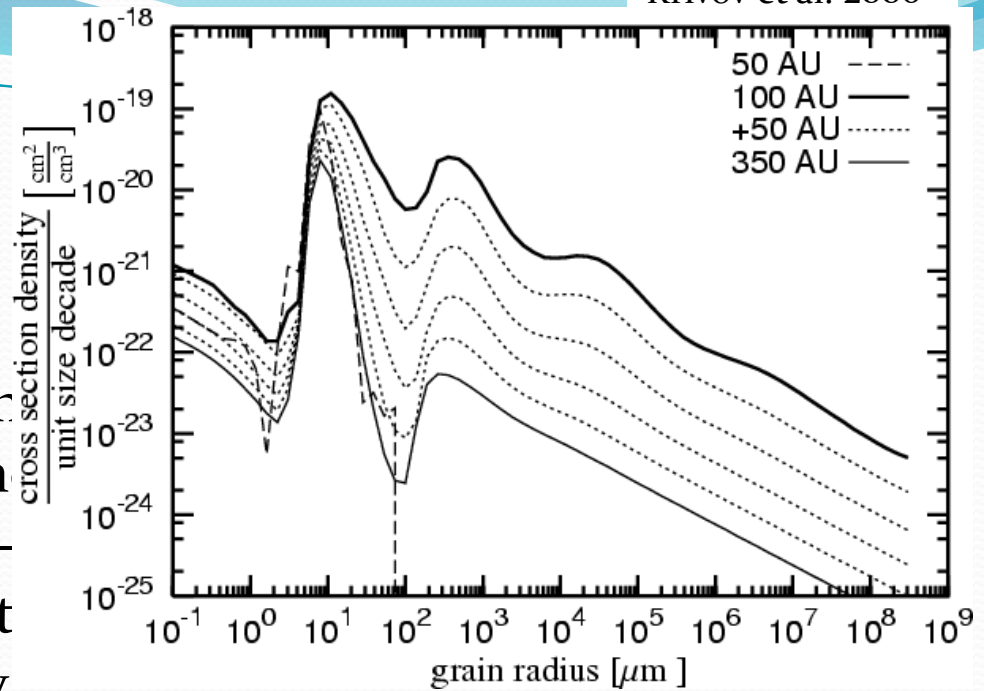


# New Approach

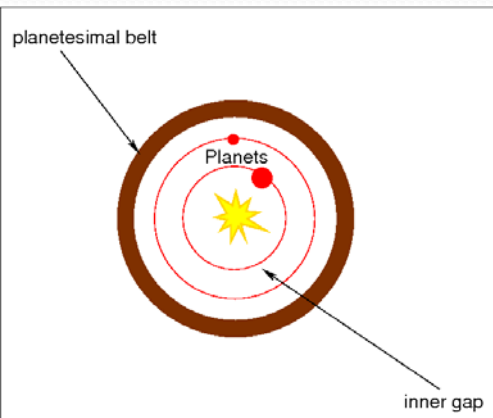
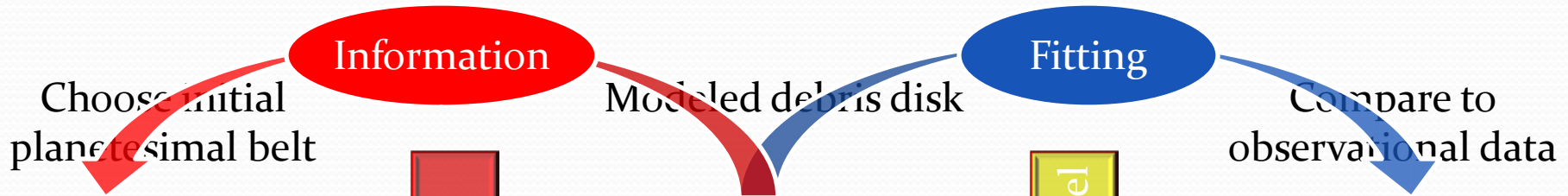
- Collisional model: ACE (Arakawa et al. 2006)
- Typical ACE result:
- Solving Boltzmann-Smoluch
  - Assumptions:
    - steady-
    - azimuthal
  - Acting mechanisms: - gravity

Arakawa et al. ???)

- collisions
  - \* fragmentation (e.g. Takagi et al. 1983,
  - \* cratering (e.g. )
- direct radiation forces
- Poynting-Robertson drag
- wind drag



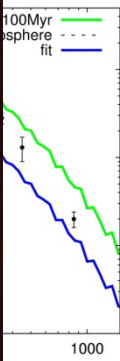
# New Approach



**Attention:**

Fitting only possible if no transport mechanisms are included!

(Löhne, Krivov & Rodmann, A&A, 2008;  
Krivov, Müller, Löhne & Mutschke, ApJ, 2008)



Analysis of Collisional Evolution



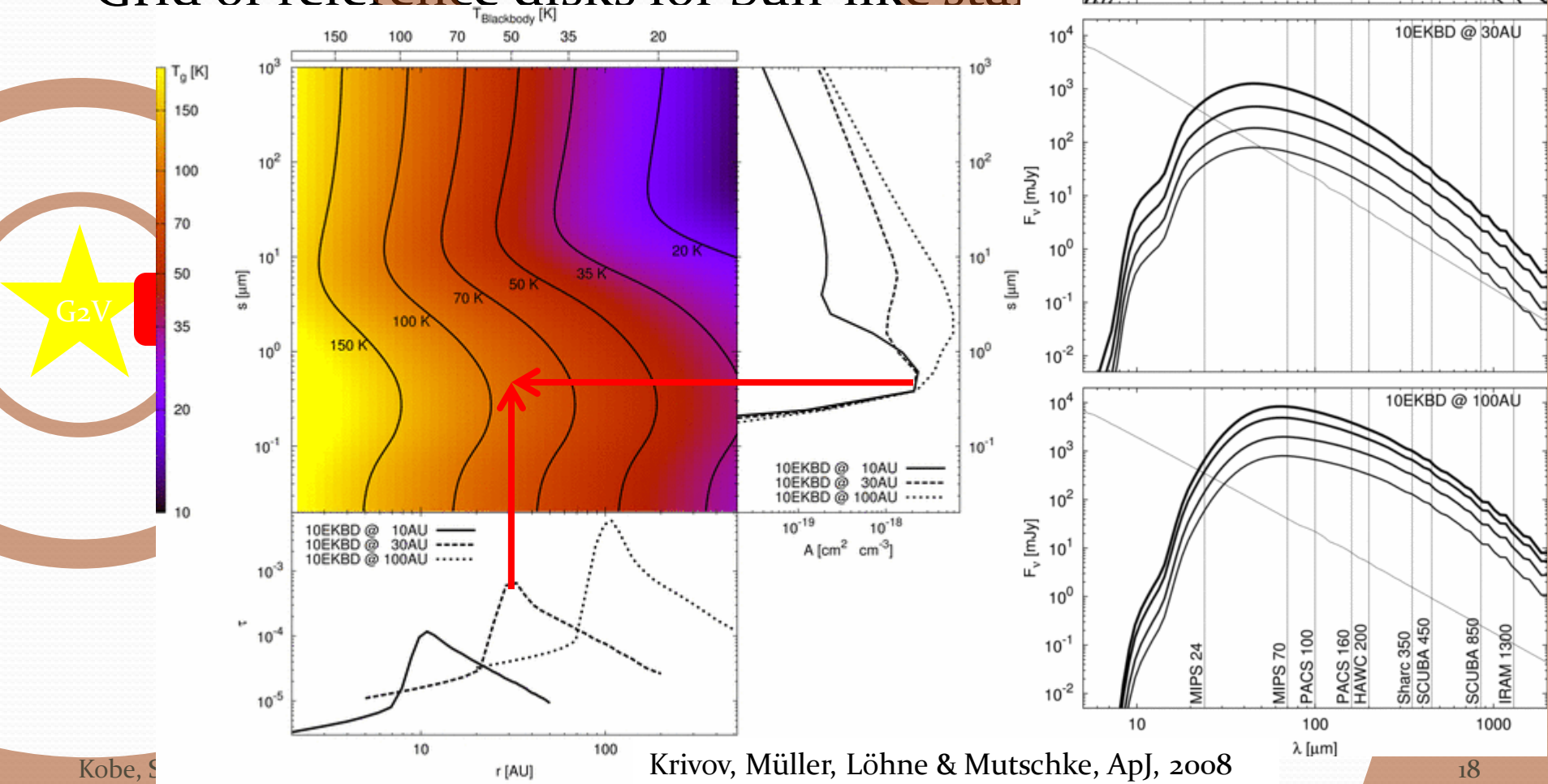
SED Utility for Circumstellar Evolution



# New Approach – 1<sup>st</sup> A

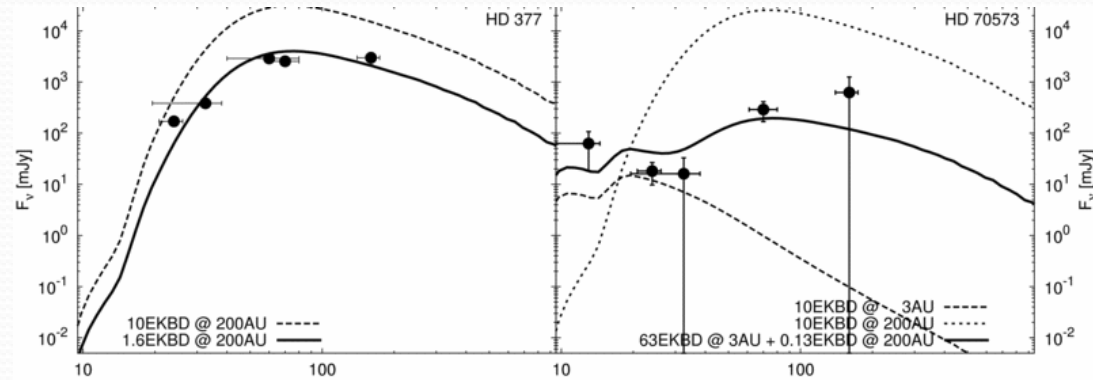
10EKBD  
@  
100AU

Grid of reference disks for Sun-like stars



# New Approach – 1<sup>st</sup> Approach

5 well observed disk systems around G2 V stars:



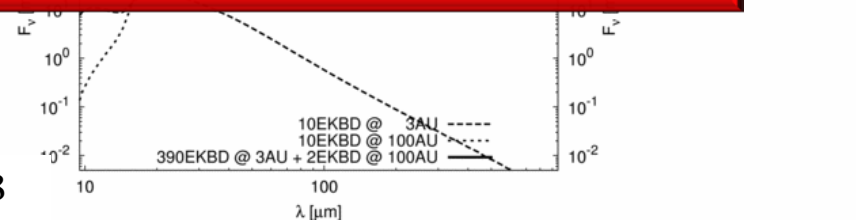
## Results:

Cold dust / outer components for all systems

→ large (100-200 AU) and massive (0.2-50  $M_{\text{Earth}}$ ) Kuiper belt analogs

Warm dust / inner components

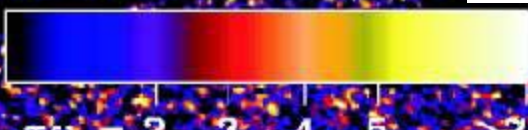
→ asteroid belt analogs?



# New Approach – 1<sup>st</sup> Approach

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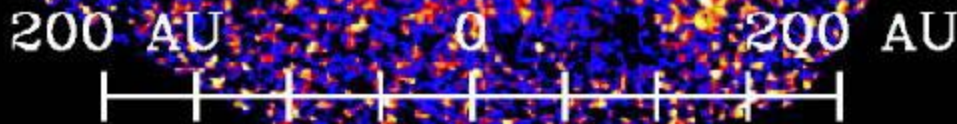
Ardila et al., 2005



This approach is capable of easily constraining both dust and planetesimal properties!

~ 130 AU

To Earth



$M_{\text{disk}}^a$ ( $M_{\oplus}$ )	$R_{\text{belt}}^b$ (AU)	$M_{\text{dust}}^c$ ( $M_{\oplus}$ )	$T_{\text{dust}}^d$ (K)
			40
			200
			40
			200
			50
			200
(0.039) 0.027	3	$8.0 \times 10^{-7}$	200
(6.1) 6.1	100	$5.5 \times 10^{-3}$	50



# New Approach – 2<sup>nd</sup> Application

## Modeling of the Vega debris disk

- Ao V star
- Age of ~ 450 Myr
- Archetype
- Many curiosities:
  - Fast rotator
  - Very massive dust disk
  - Disk structure in longer wavelengths' images
  - ~~First discovered 'exozodi'~~

Is the Vega debris disk in a steady-state evolution?

Auman et al., 1984



	equator	pole
$R [R_{\odot}]^*$	$2.873 \pm 0.026$	$2.306 \pm 0.031$
$T_{\text{eff}} [\text{K}]^{**}$	$7900^{+500}_{-400}$	$10150 \pm 100$
$L_* [L_{\odot}]$	$28^{+8}_{-6}$	$57 \pm 3$
$\log(g[\text{cm/s}^2])^*$	$4.074 \pm 0.012$	$3.589 \pm 0.056$
$M_* [M_{\odot}]^{**}$	$2.3 \pm 0.2$	
Age [Myr]	350	

Aufdenberg et al., 2006; Peterson et al., 2006



# New Approach – 2<sup>nd</sup> Application

Model	$L_* [L_\odot]$	$T$ [Myr]	$a_{\text{inner}}$ [AU]	$a_{\text{outer}}$ [AU]	$e_{\text{max}}$	$i_{\text{max}}$	composition	collisions	$Q_{D,s}$ [erg/g]	$b_s$	$\eta$
										0.37	1.833
										—	1.95
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										0.2	—
										0.45	—
										—	1.6
										—	1.95
											10 <sup>-5</sup>

Result:

General Agreement with observations

→ Vega disk observations not contradictory to steady-state dust production

→ model constraints:

- disk older than several 10 Myr
- Intermediate luminosity required
- cratering collisions essential

• Combine to best fit

# Outlook

If you want to make God laugh, tell him your future plans.

(Woody Allen)

# Waiting for Herschel



## Apply new modeling approach:

- Covers interesting wavelength region
- Several systems expected to be resolved

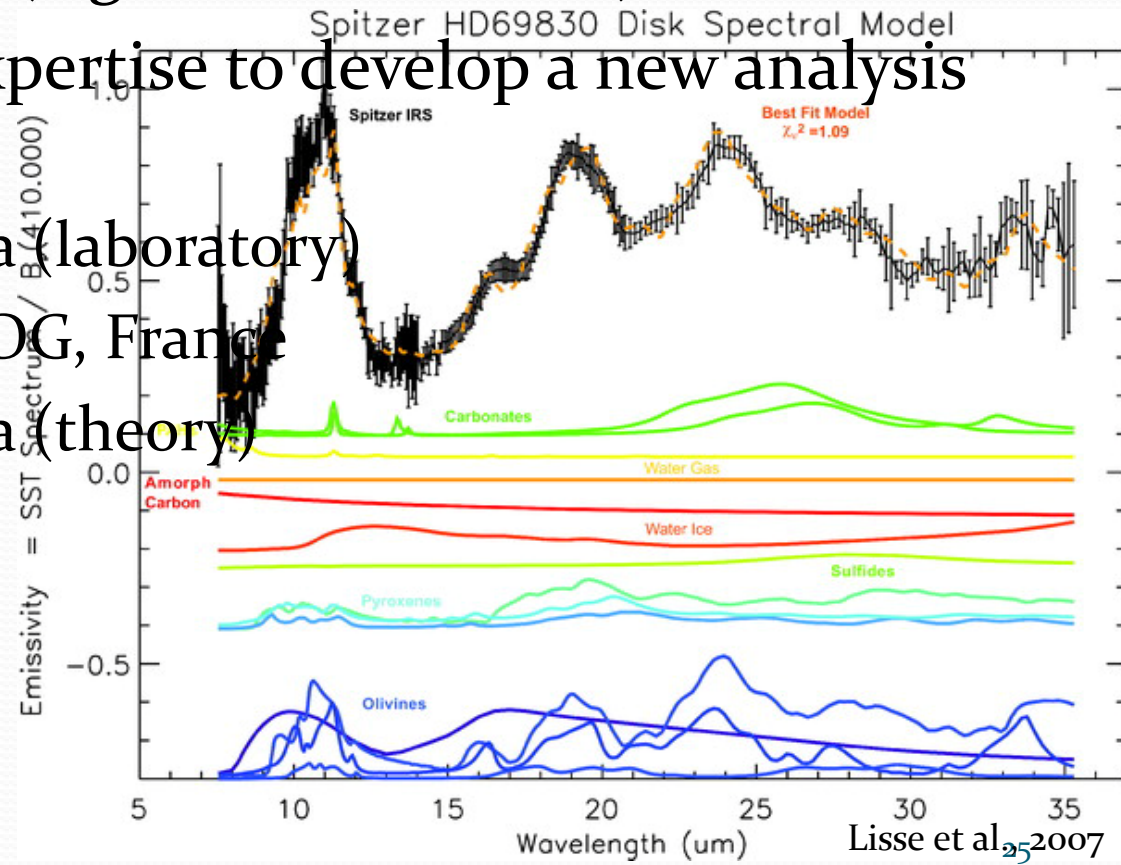
## Improve new modeling approach:

- Unknown sensitivity
  - other mechanisms need to be included



# Coming to disk chemistry

- High resolution spectra in mid-IR provide insight in composition of disks (e.g. silicate features)
- Combine different expertise to develop a new analysis approach:
  - Mineralogy: Jena (laboratory)
  - Observations: LAOG, France
  - Dynamics: Jena (theory)



# Summary

- Debris disks comprise dust and planetesimals but are observable only by the dust's (thermal) emission
- The classical way of modeling debris disks assumes simple analytical expressions for the dust distribution
  - Applied to the planetary system HR 8799 we could show that the SED supports our results from dynamical investigations
- We proposed a new way of modeling based on our collisional code ACE
  - A grid of thus modeled reference disks can be used to constrain both dust and planetesimal properties by “fitting” observed SEDs
  - Applied to the Vega system we could show that a steady-state collisional dust production is in agreement with the observations

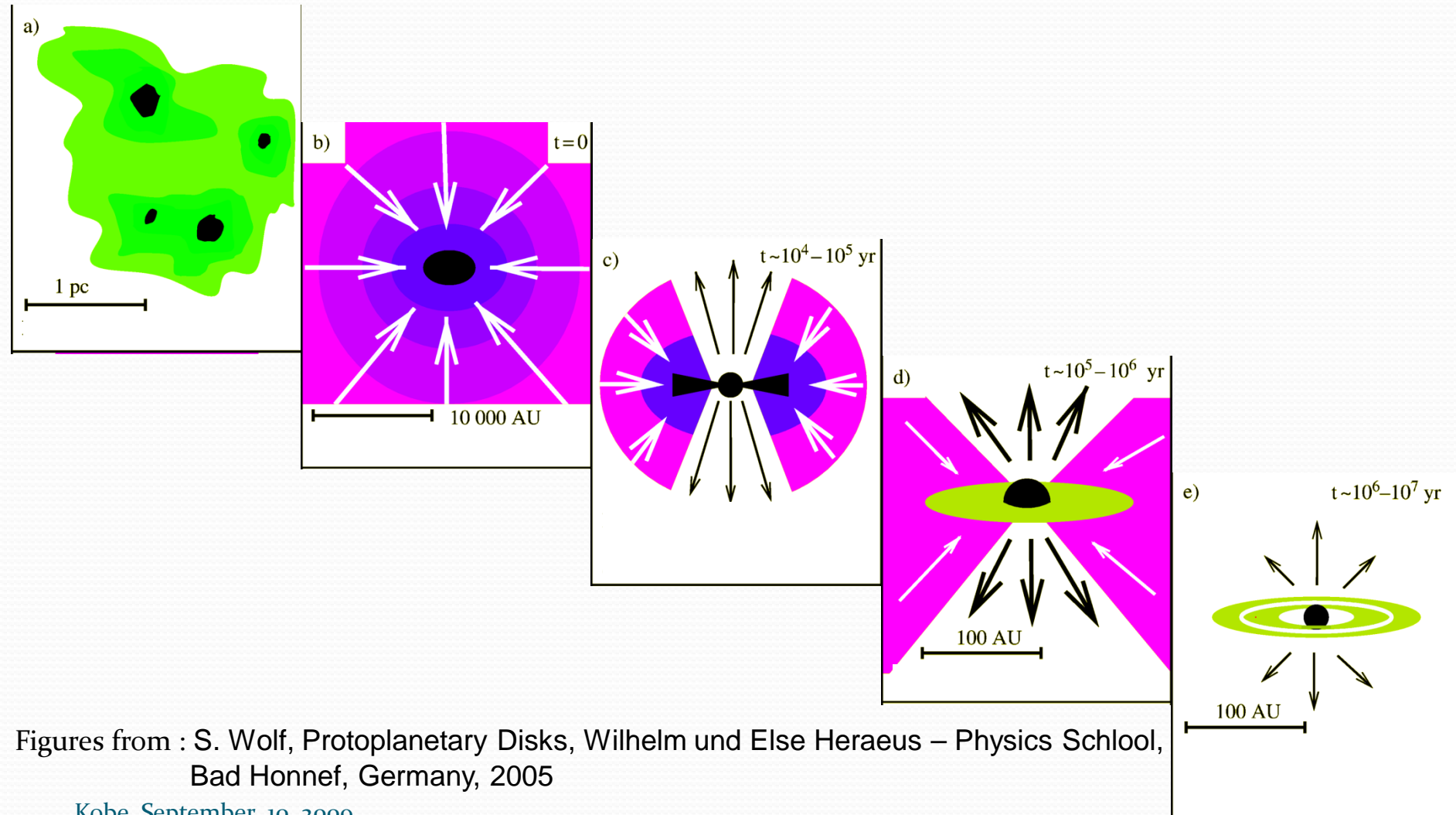
# Thanks for your attention!

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# Formation



Figures from : S. Wolf, Protoplanetary Disks, Wilhelm und Else Heraeus – Physics School, Bad Honnef, Germany, 2005