

Disc evolution processes: a phenomenological view

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Disc evolution drivers

- Photo-evaporation

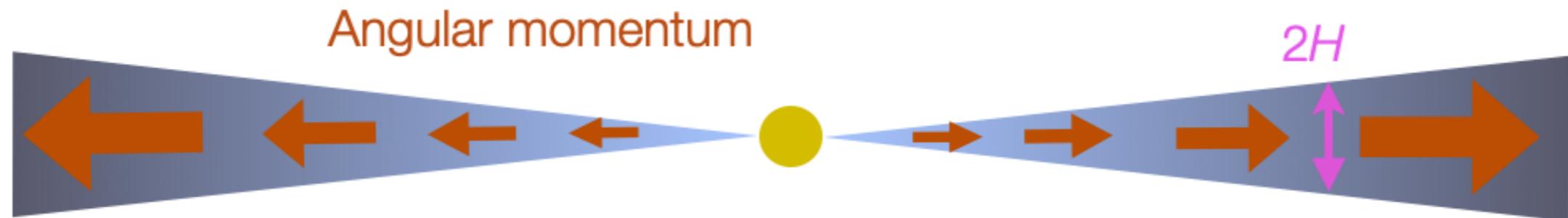
Talk B. Ercolano

- Accretion processes

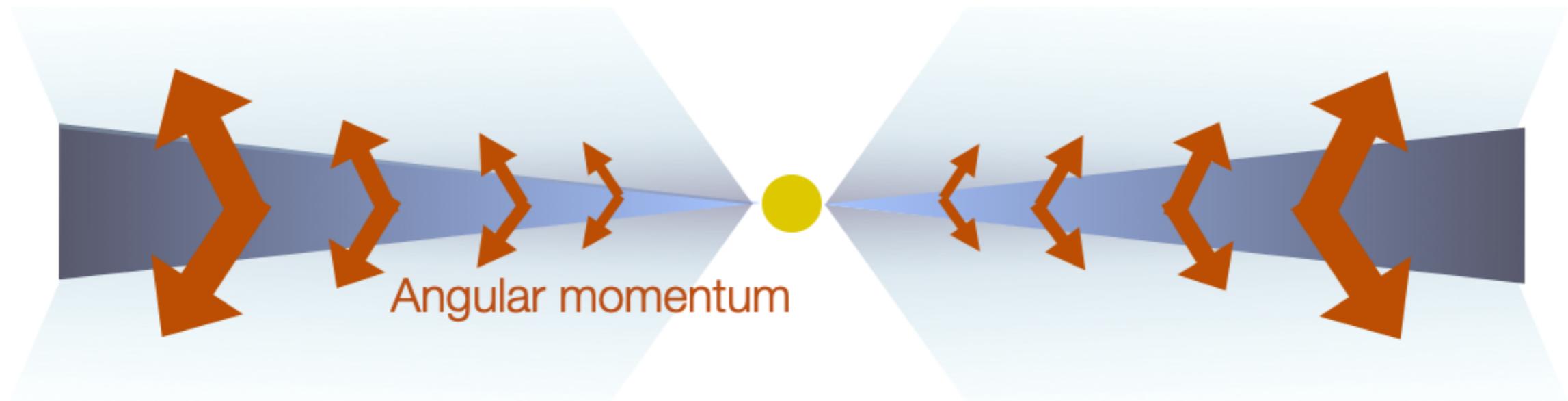
- Giant planet formation

- Radial drift and other dust processes

Why do discs accrete?



Viscosity



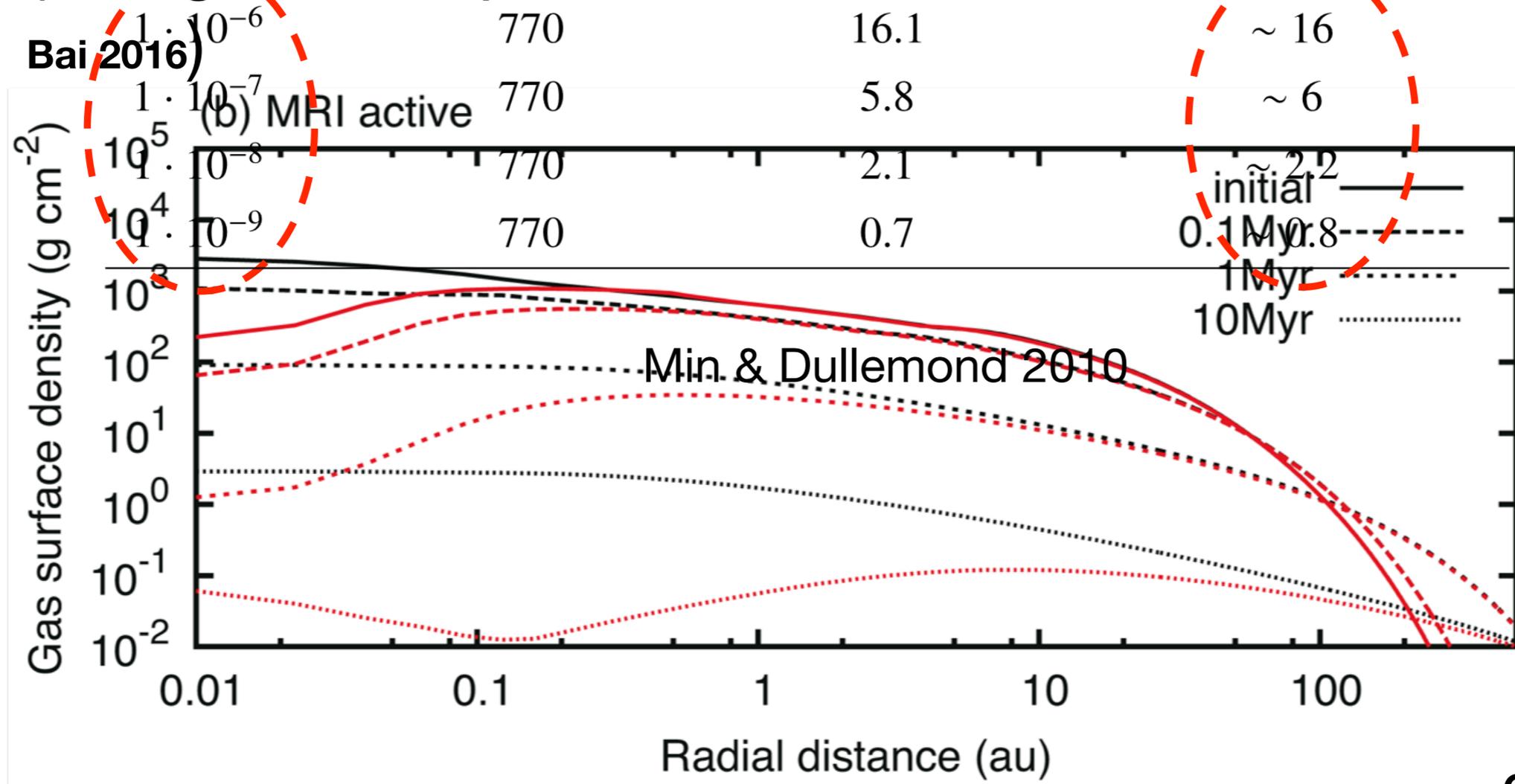
Disc winds

Should you care?

- No viscous heating in wind scenario (e.g., **Mori+ 2019**). Water snowline significantly closer in

- Different surface density profiles in the inner disc

(though this depends on wind lever arm, see Armitage 2014, Bai 2016)



Accretion Approaches

Local detailed
studies

Evolution of
macroscopic
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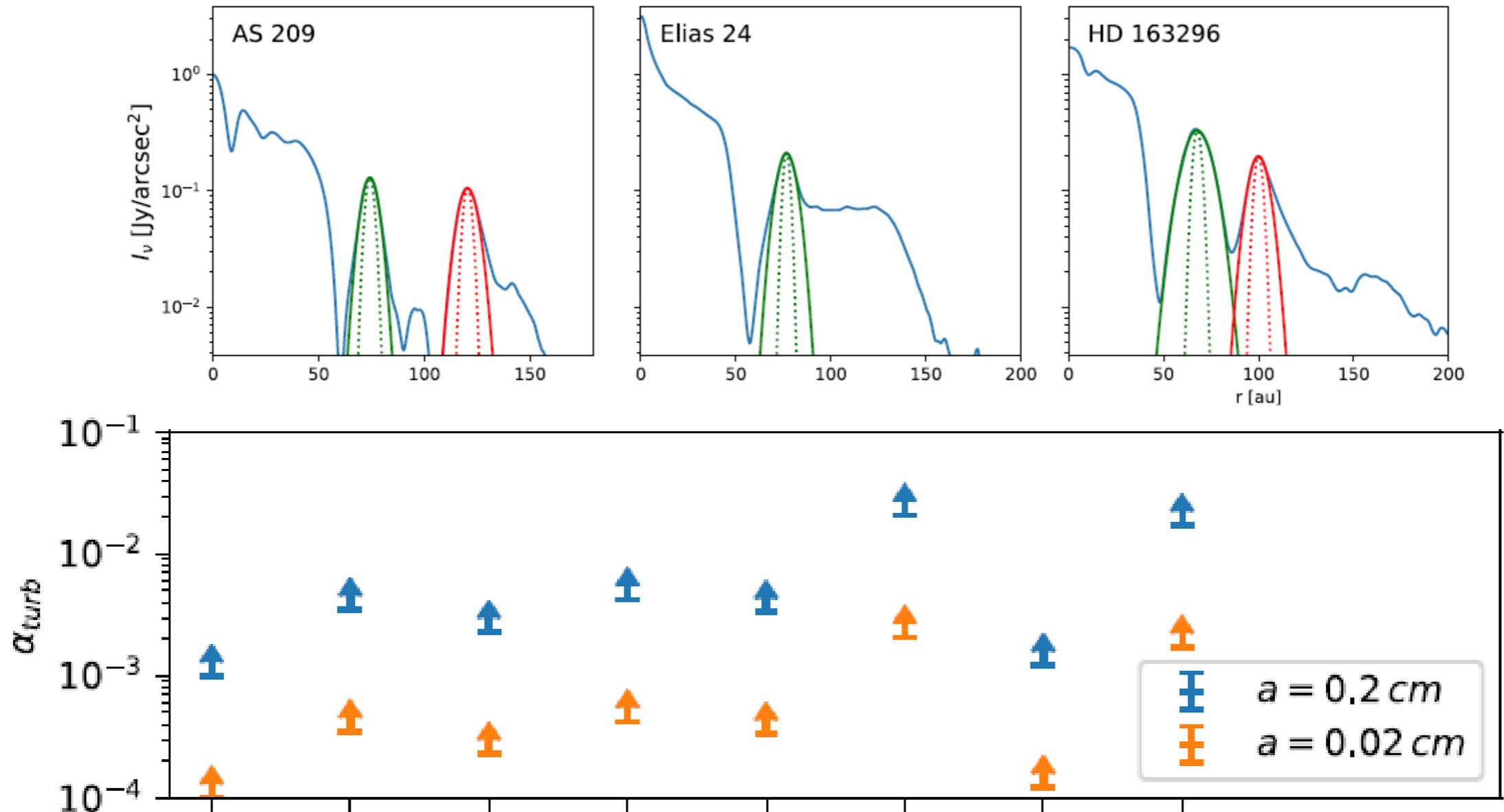
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Different approaches

- Theory: MHD simulations

Talk M. Flock

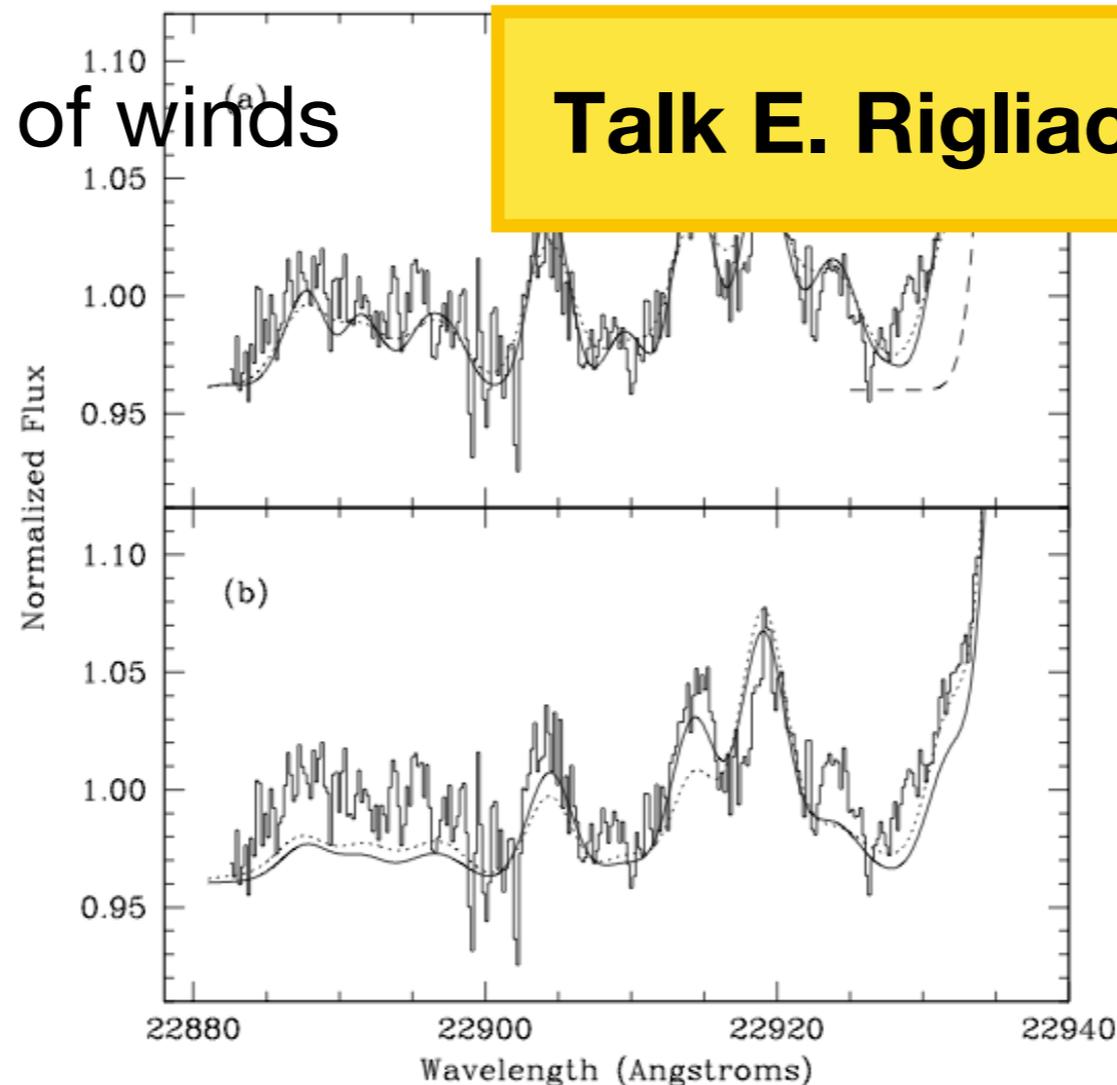
- Vertical/radial extent of dust structures (Pinte 2016, Dullemond 2018)



Different approaches

- Direct evidence of turbulence in outer (Flaherty 2015,17,18, Teague 2016,18) and inner disc (Carr et al. 2004; Najita et al. 1996; 2009; Doppmann et al. 2008)

- Direct evidence of winds



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Macroscopic quantities

- Mass accretion rate
- Disc masses (gas and dust)
- Disc radii (gas and dust)
- Age

Talk C. Manara

Optical

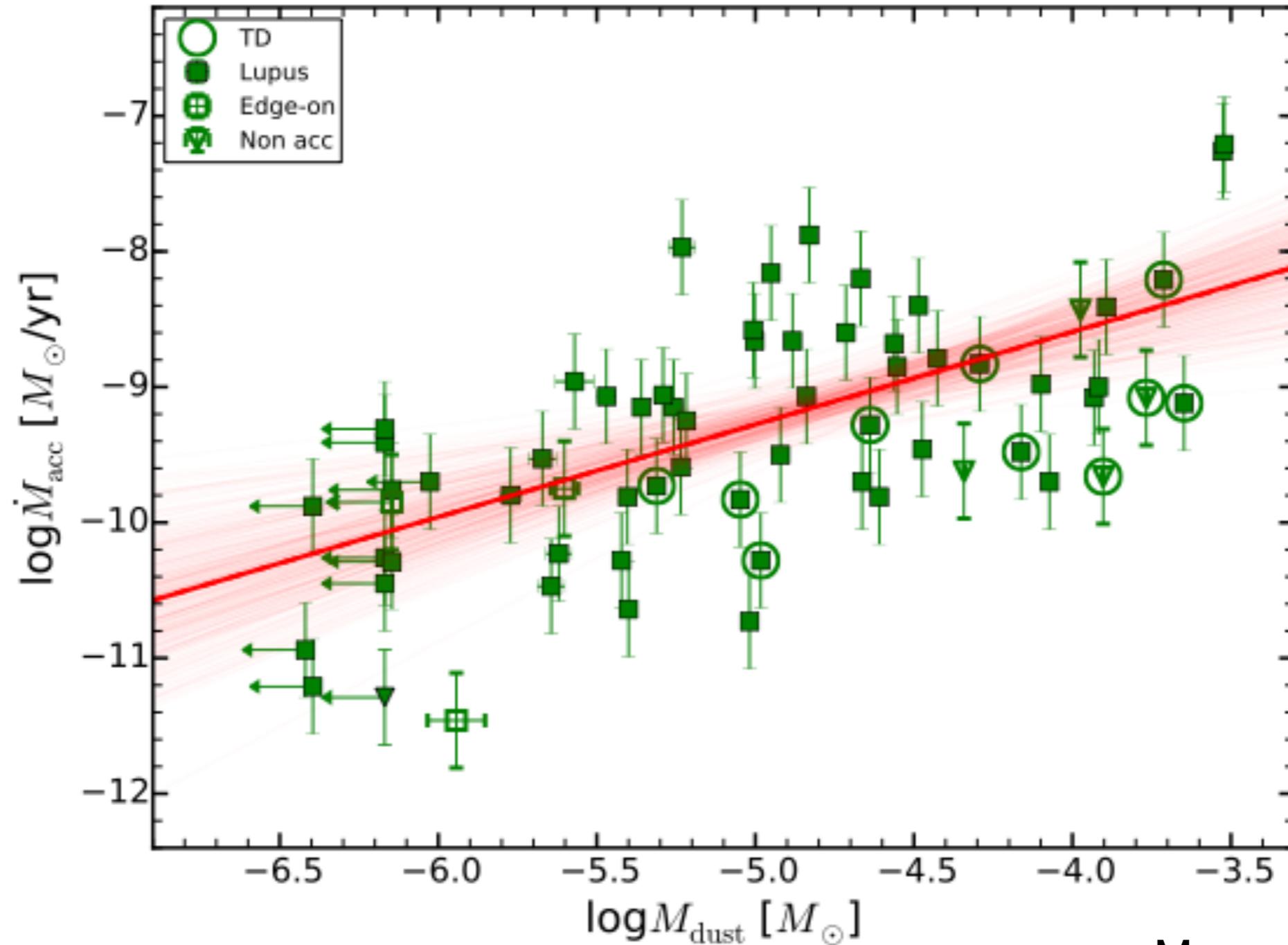
Sub-mm

Talk A. Miotello, M. Tazzari

Textbook case: evolution accretion rate with
time

**Accretion rate – disc
mass**

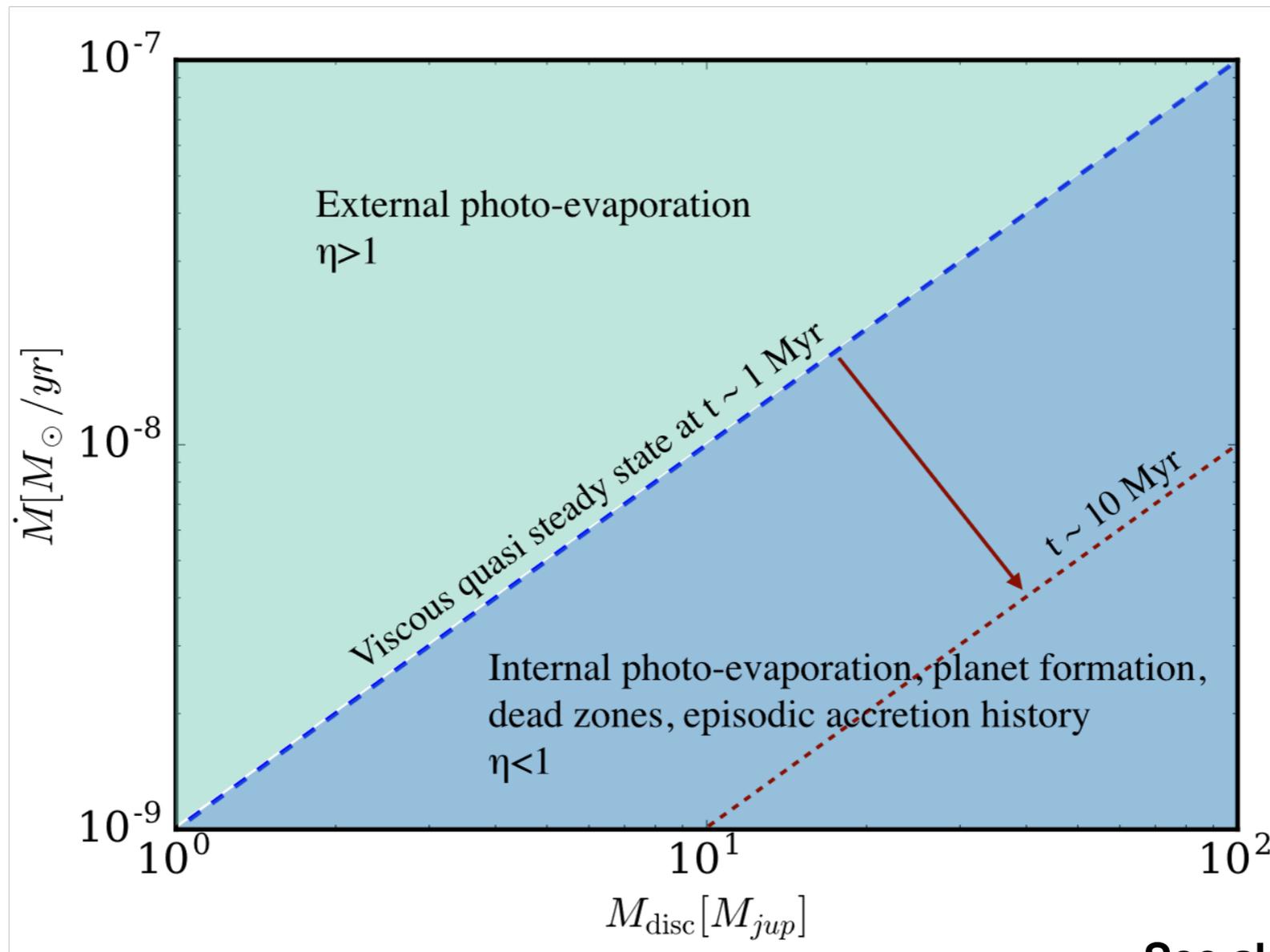
Observational evidence



Manara, GR + 2016
See also Mulders+ 2017

Theoretical expectations

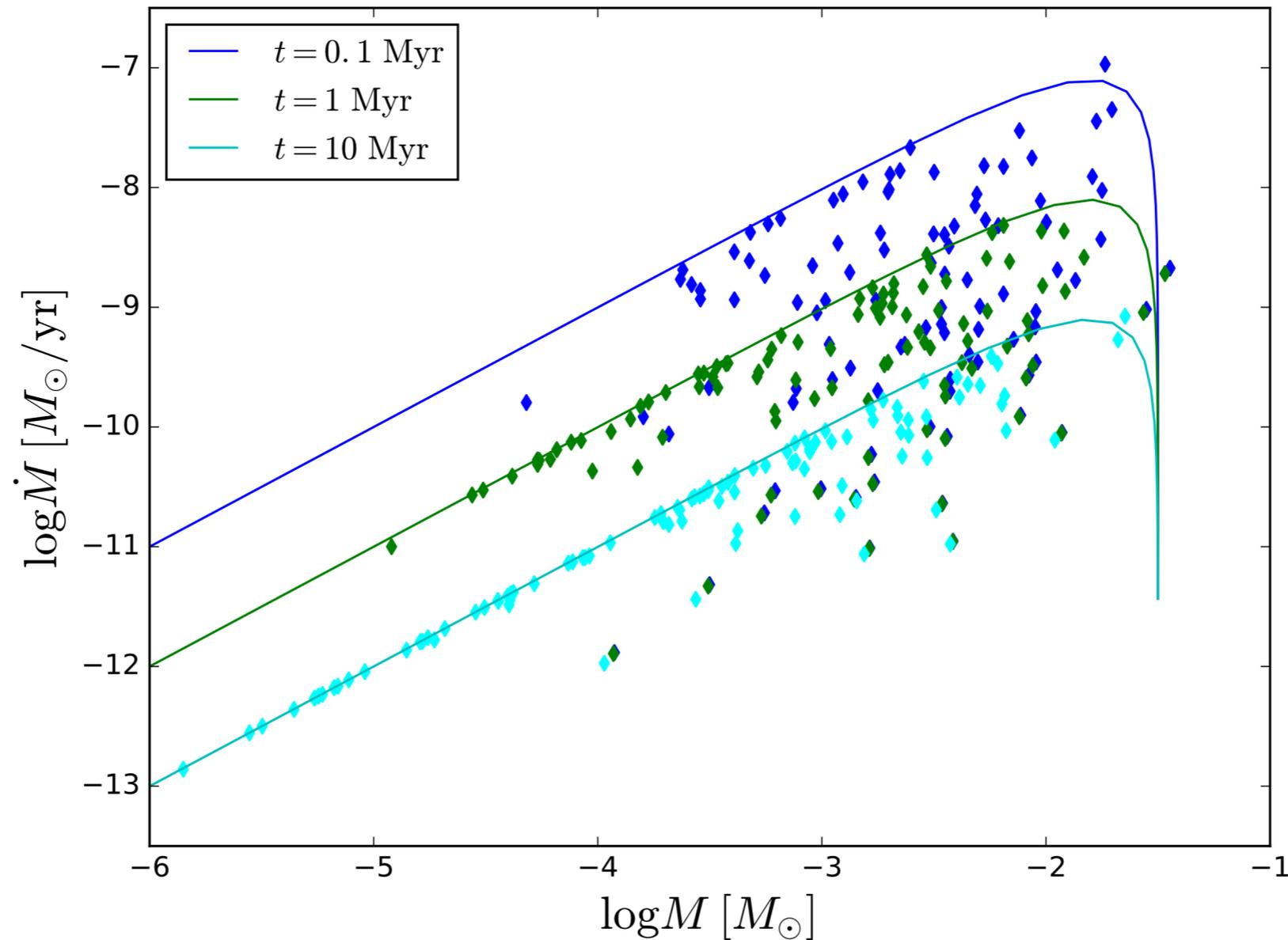
$$\eta = \tau \dot{M} / M_{\text{disc}}$$



GR+ 17;
See also Jones+ 2012

In broad agreement with observed values

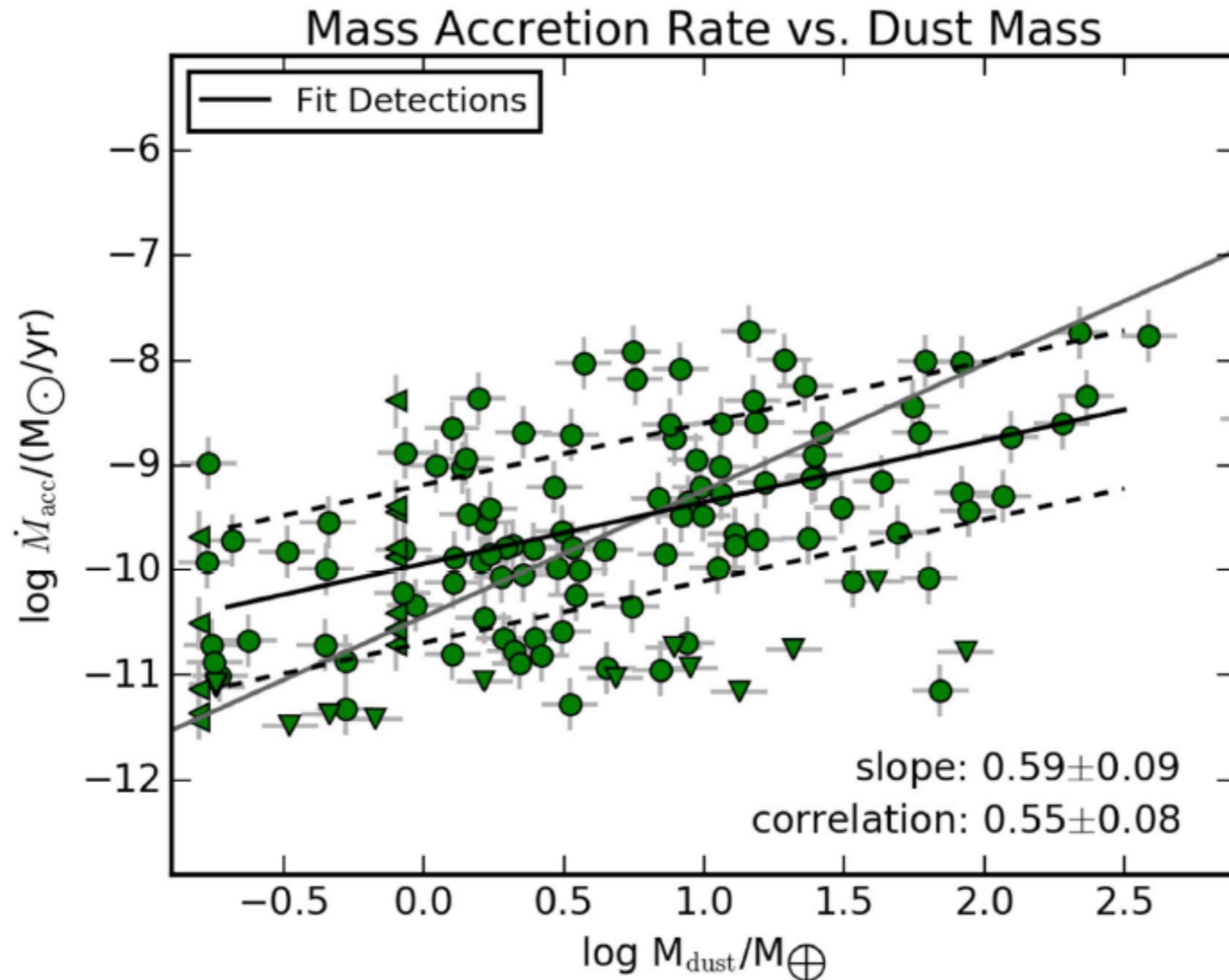
Spread of the correlation depends on time



Lodato+ 17;
See also Mulders+ 17

Points to relatively long viscous times

Does it rule out winds?

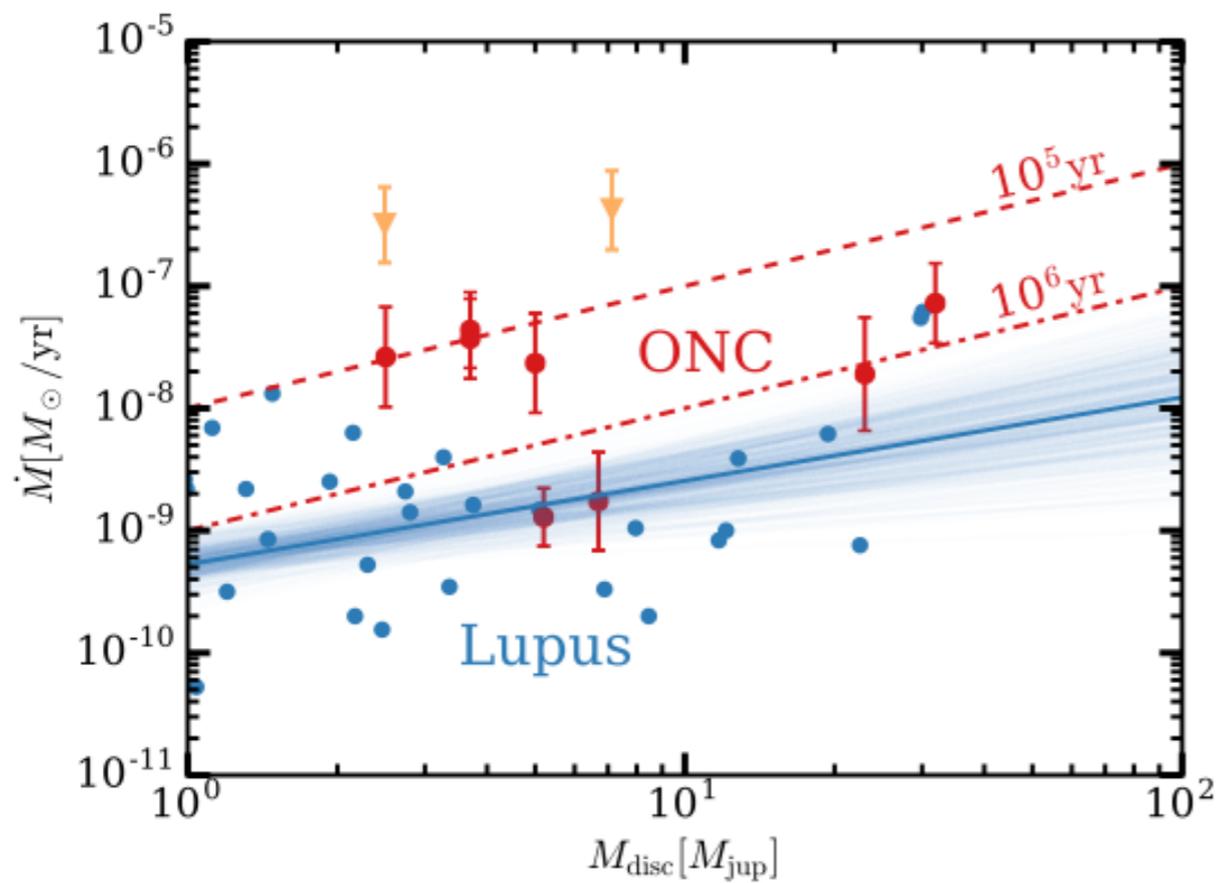


Mulders+ 17

Can be explained with *ad-hoc* initial conditions
(where the correlation is already present)

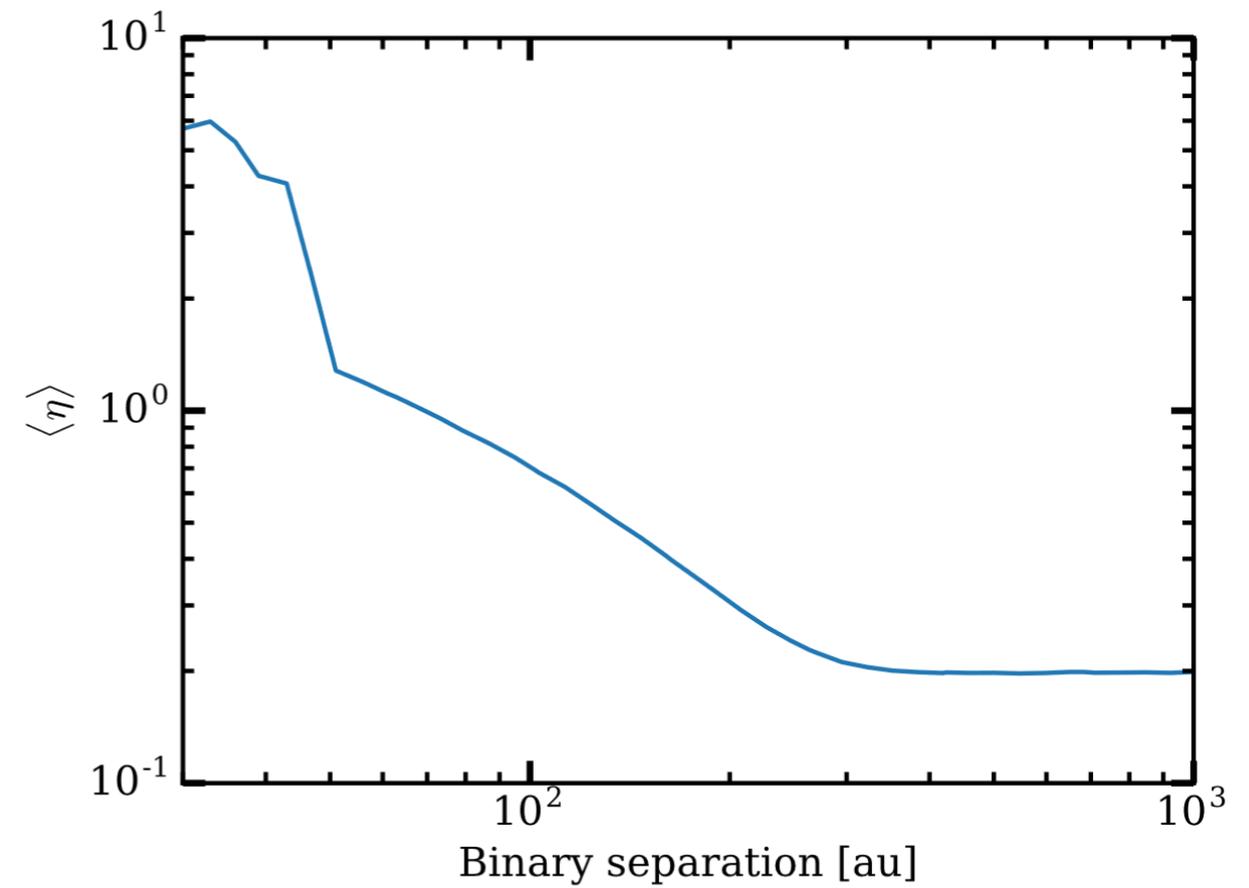
Different environments

High UV irradiation



GR+ 17

Binaries



GR & Clarke 18

Evolution of disc radii

Proto-planetary disc radii

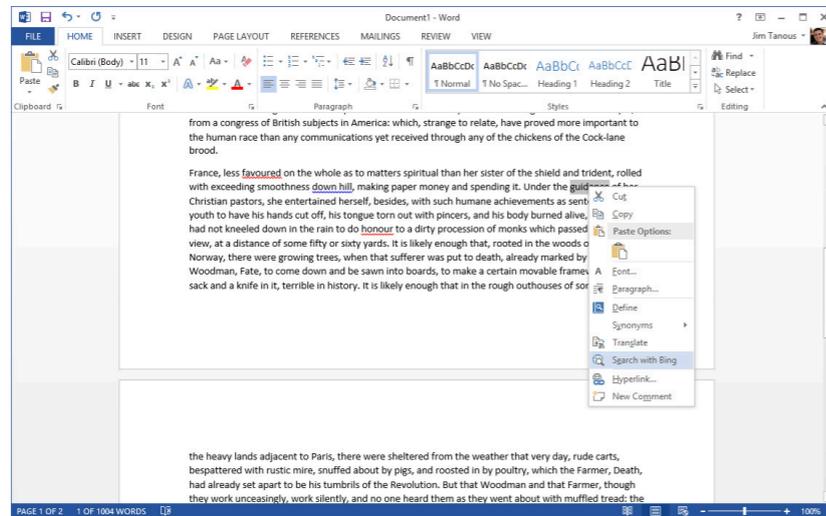
- Viscous spreading is smoking gun signature: mass goes in, angular momentum goes out
- No large sample of radii measured from optically *thin* gas lines (though see Najita & Bergin 2018 for an attempt)
- Possible to do it using *dust* radii?

**Viscosity moves things
outwards, radial drift
inwards. Is the time
evolution of dust disc radii
set by viscous expansion
or radial drift?**

One has to be careful...

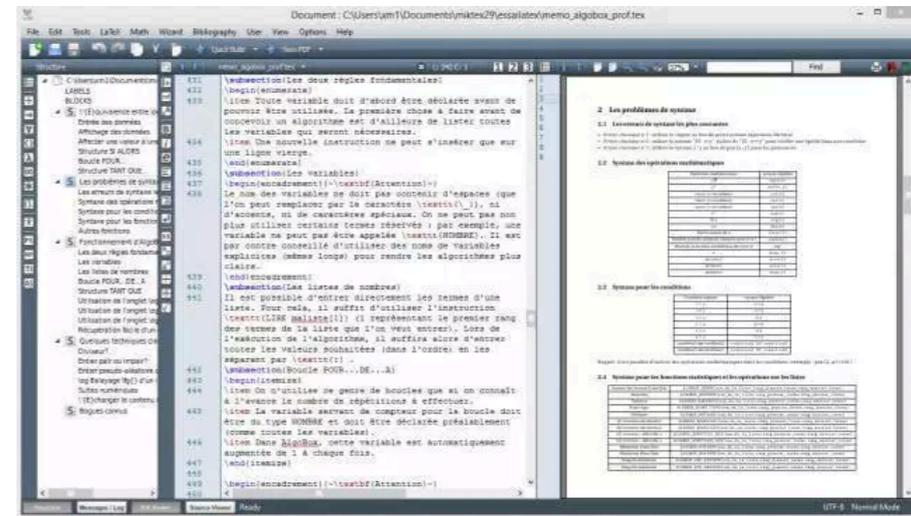
WYSIWYG

What you see is
what you get



WYSINWYG

What you see is
NOT what you get



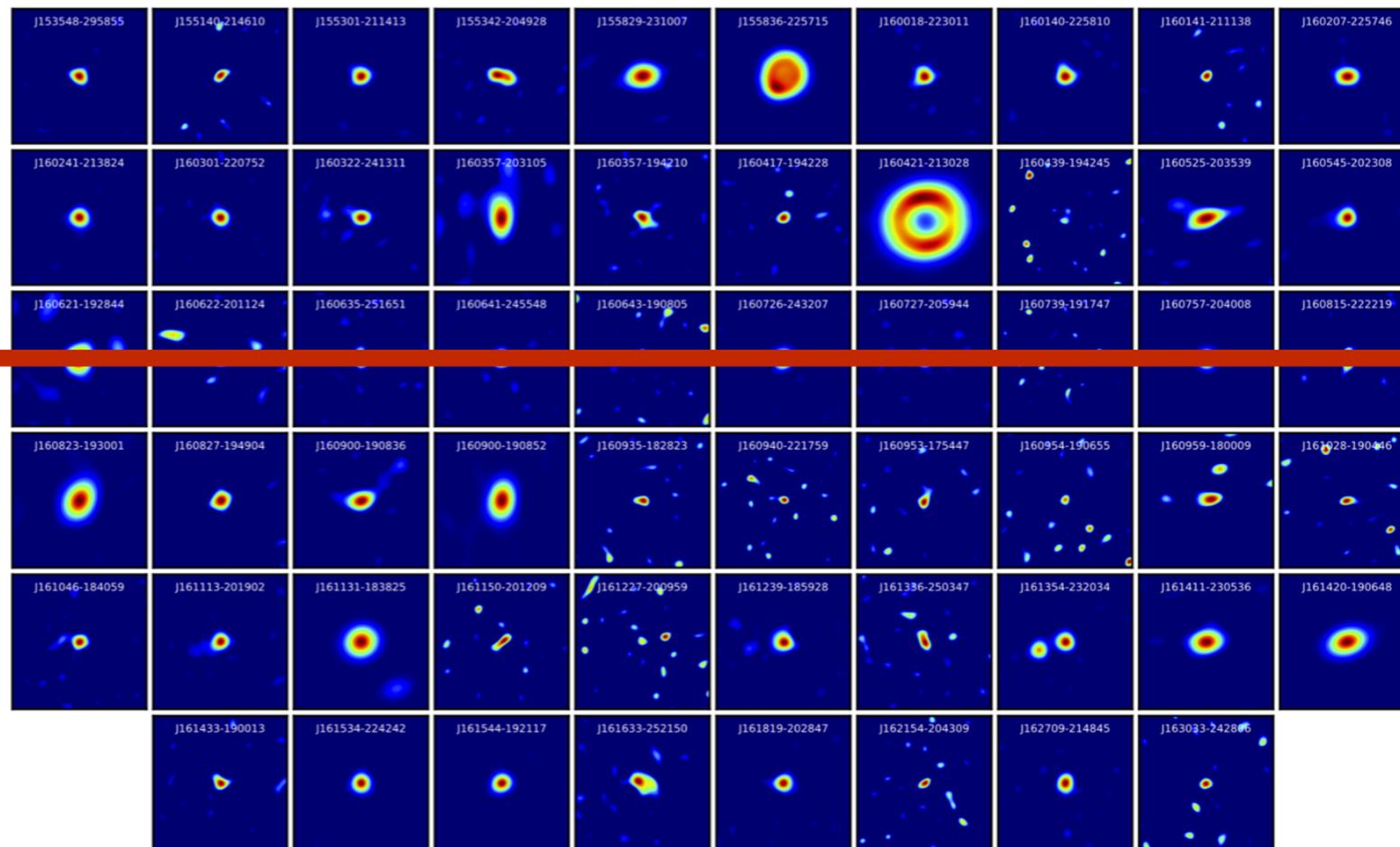
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Proto-planetary disc radii

- Important to build statistics of disc properties to feed into planet formation models
- Can be measured efficiently in the sub-mm with ALMA

Ansdell (2016), Barenfeld (2016), Pascucci (2016), ...

• Important in proto-drift

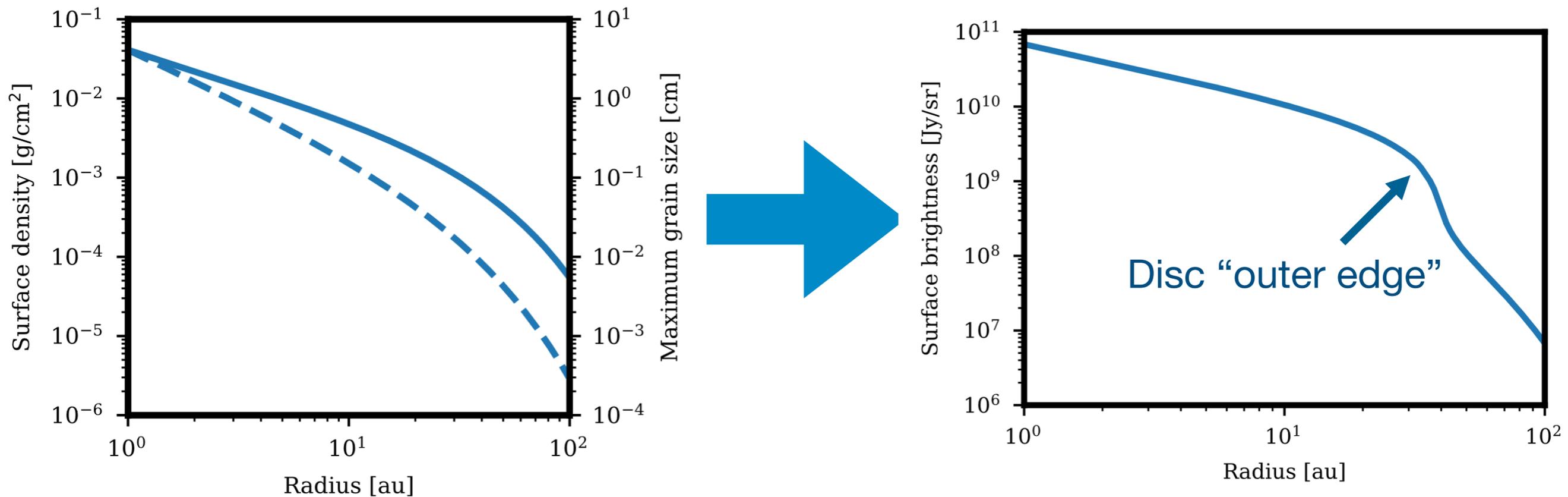


operating
ad, *radial*

**Proto-planetary discs
are more like LaTeX
than Word!**

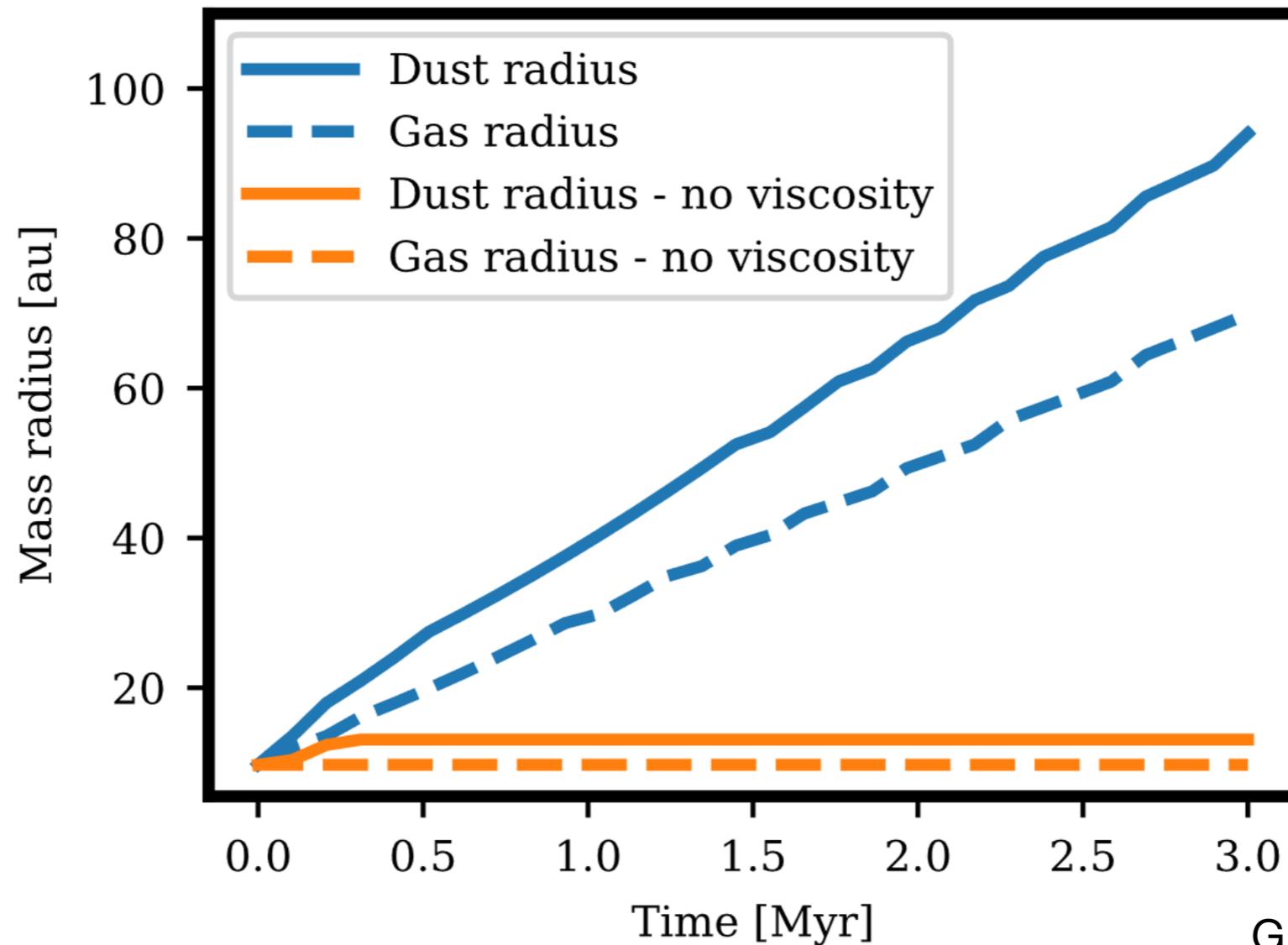
A simple example

$$S_b(R) \sim T(R)\kappa_\nu \Sigma_{\text{dust}}$$



Compact disc even if *dust* disc is larger

Time evolution - mass



GR+ (2019a), submitted

Mass radius contains 63% of disc mass

Viscosity wins: dust disc expands

of the issue



850 μm Opaci

10^0

10^{-4}

10^{-3}

10^{-2}

10^{-1}

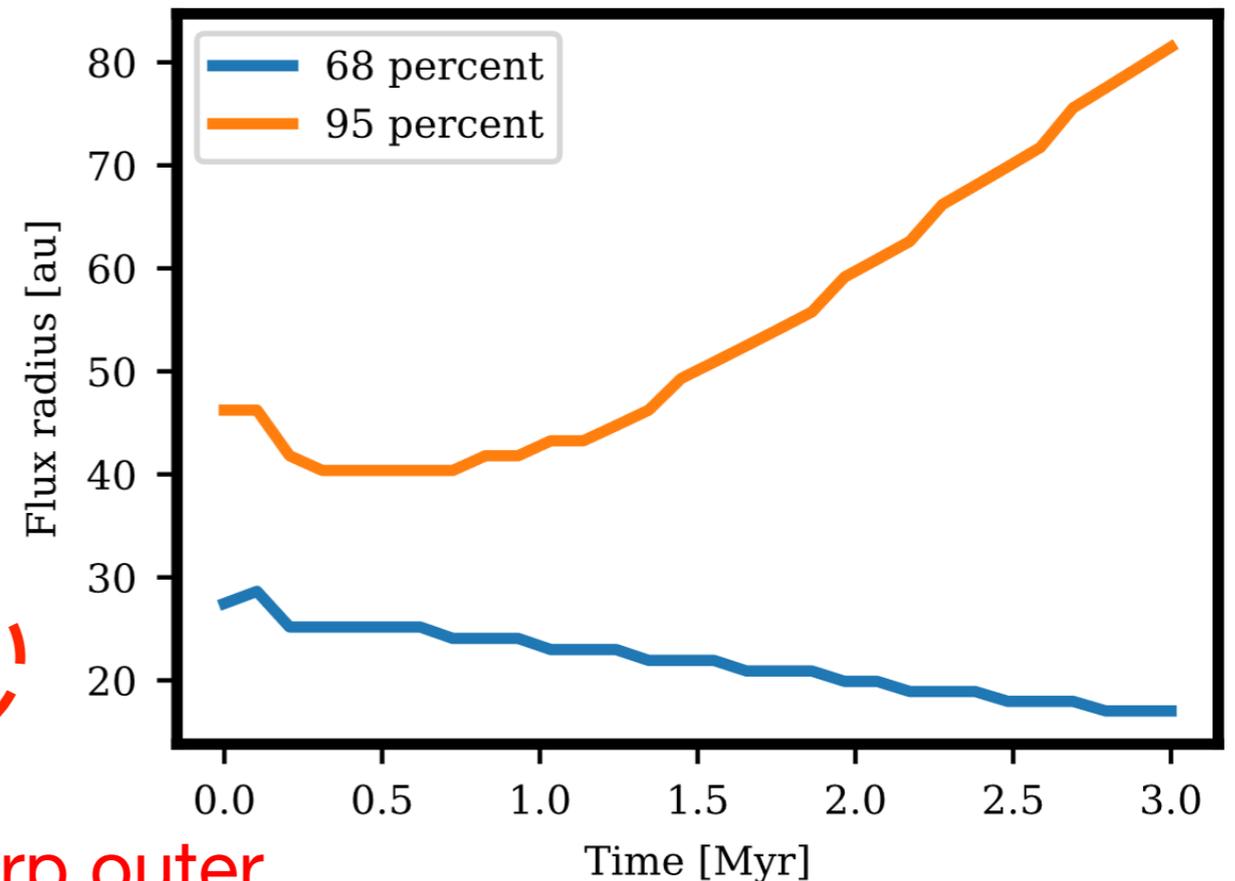
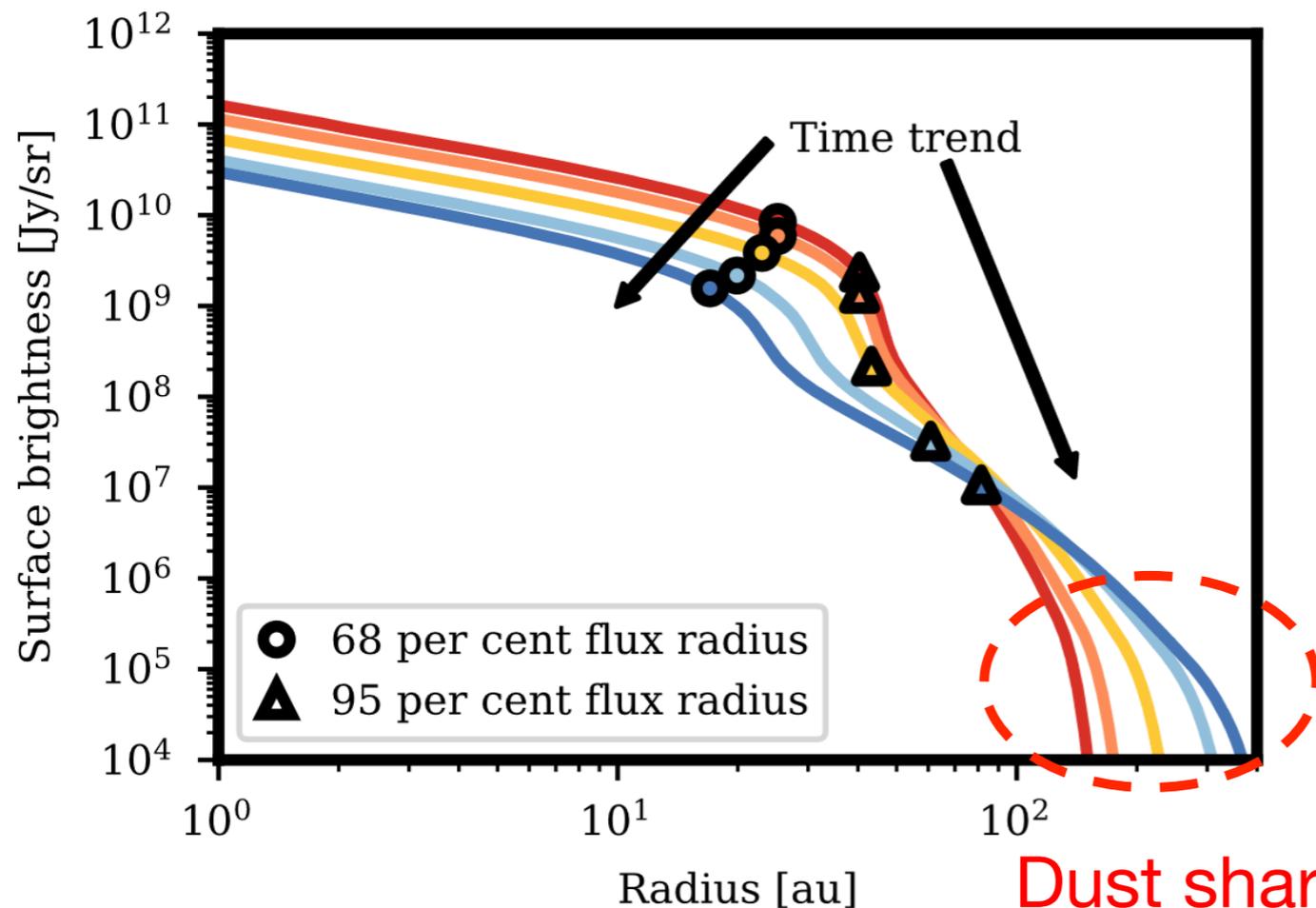
10^0

Maximum grain size [cm]



Large drop in opacity over
range of grain size

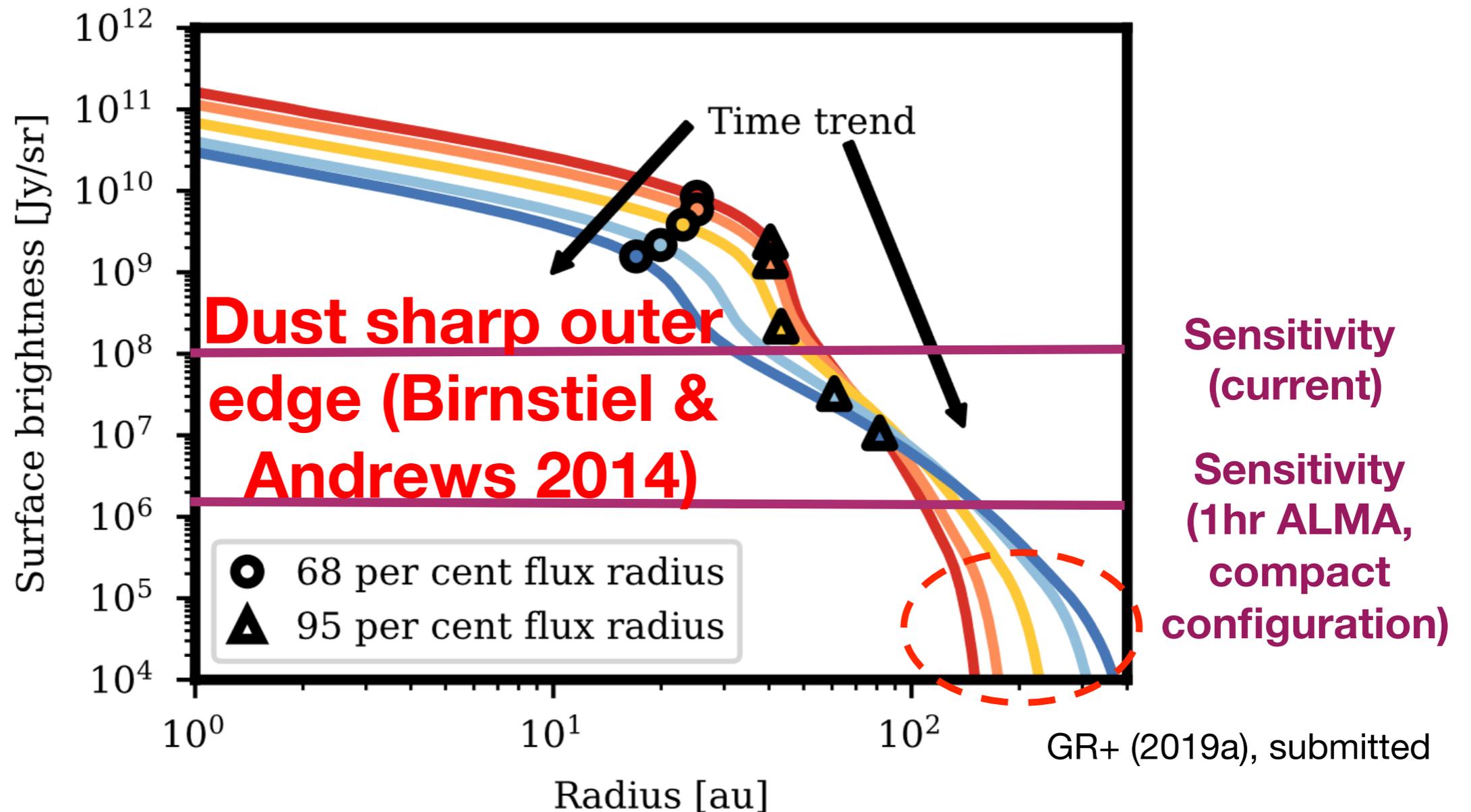
Time evolution - flux



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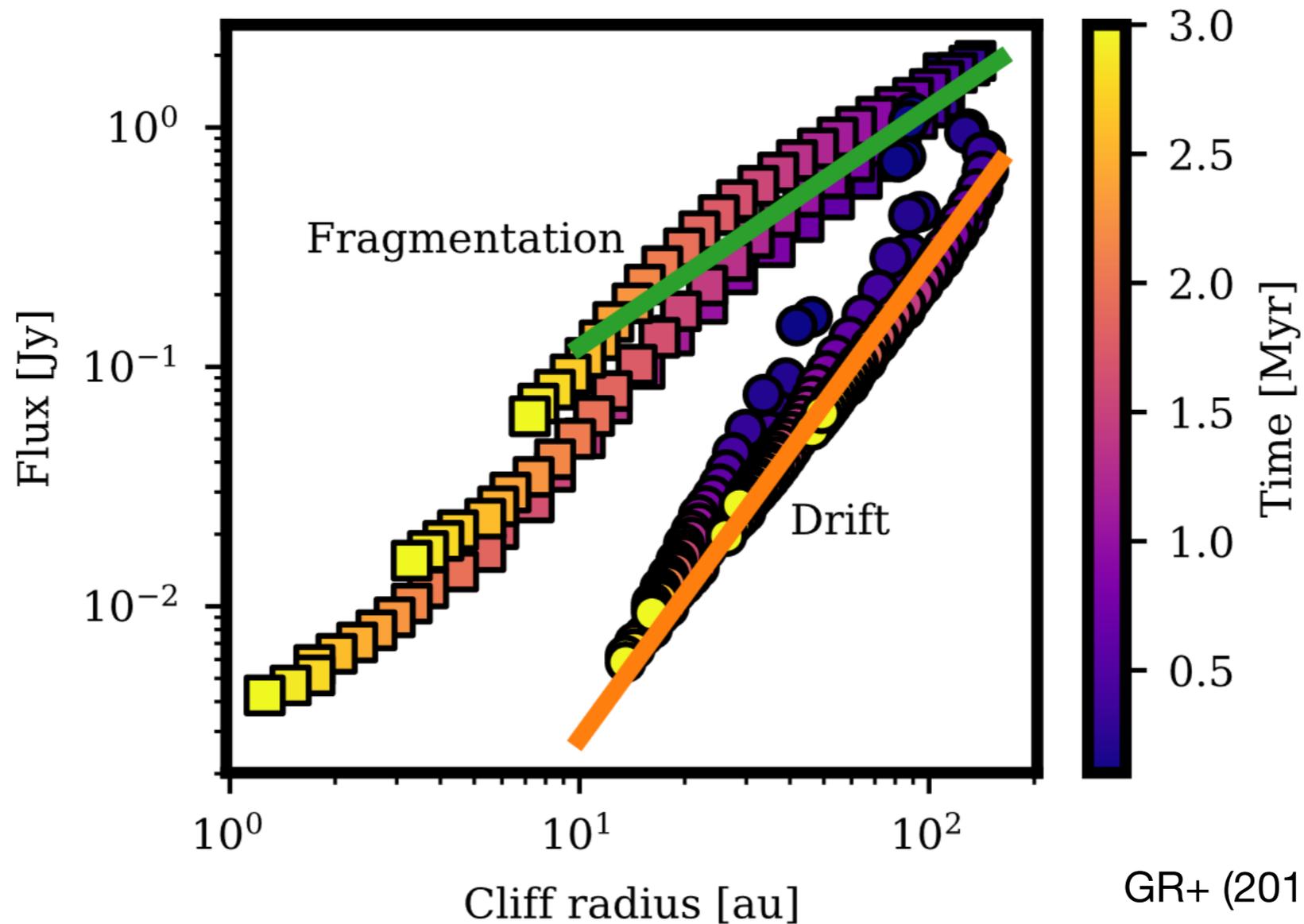
68 per cent radii *decrease*
95 per cent radii *increase*

Time evolution - flux



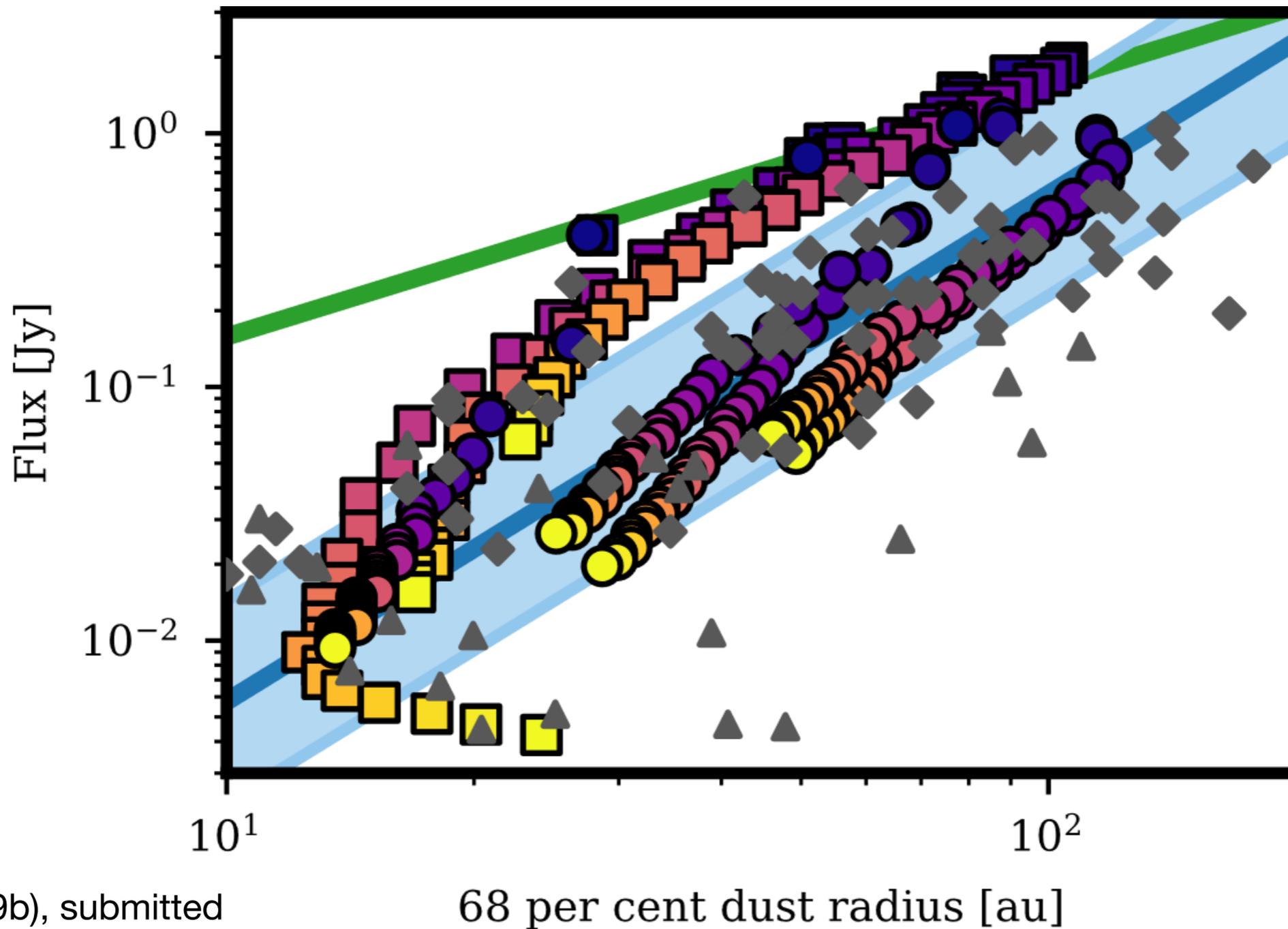
Current ALMA surveys are sensitive only to the cliff radius rather than to the viscous expansion

Are the measured radii useless?



Different flux-radius relation depending on grain growth regime

Flux-radius relation

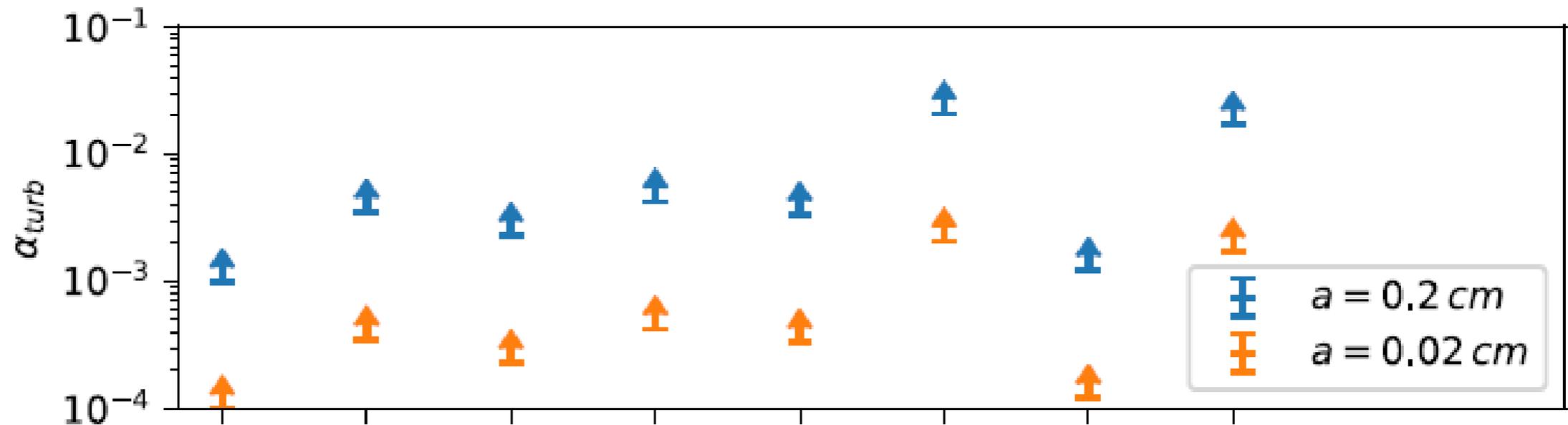


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Data from
Tripathi (2017),
Andrews (2018)

Data points to drift-dominated regime

Summary



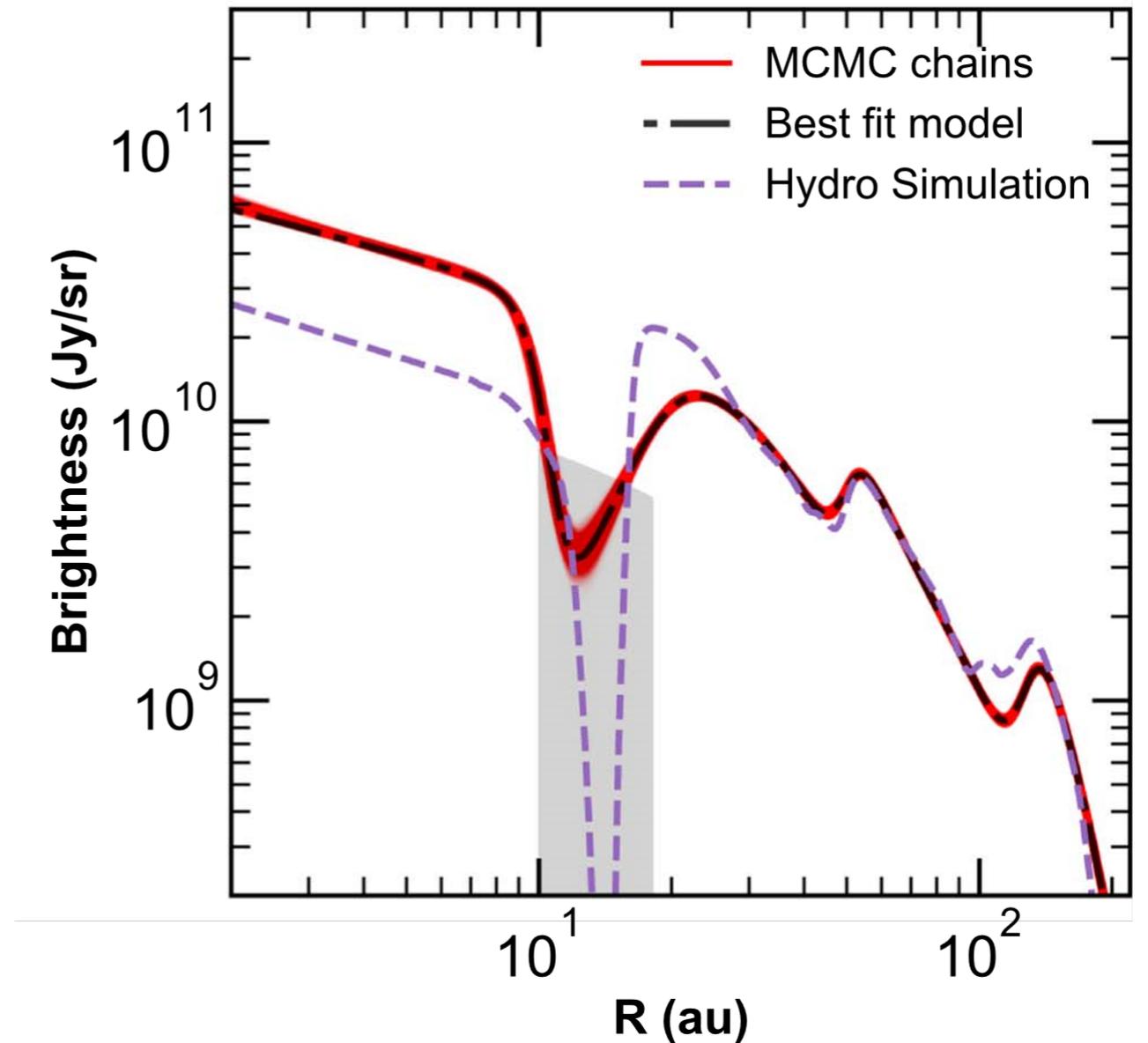
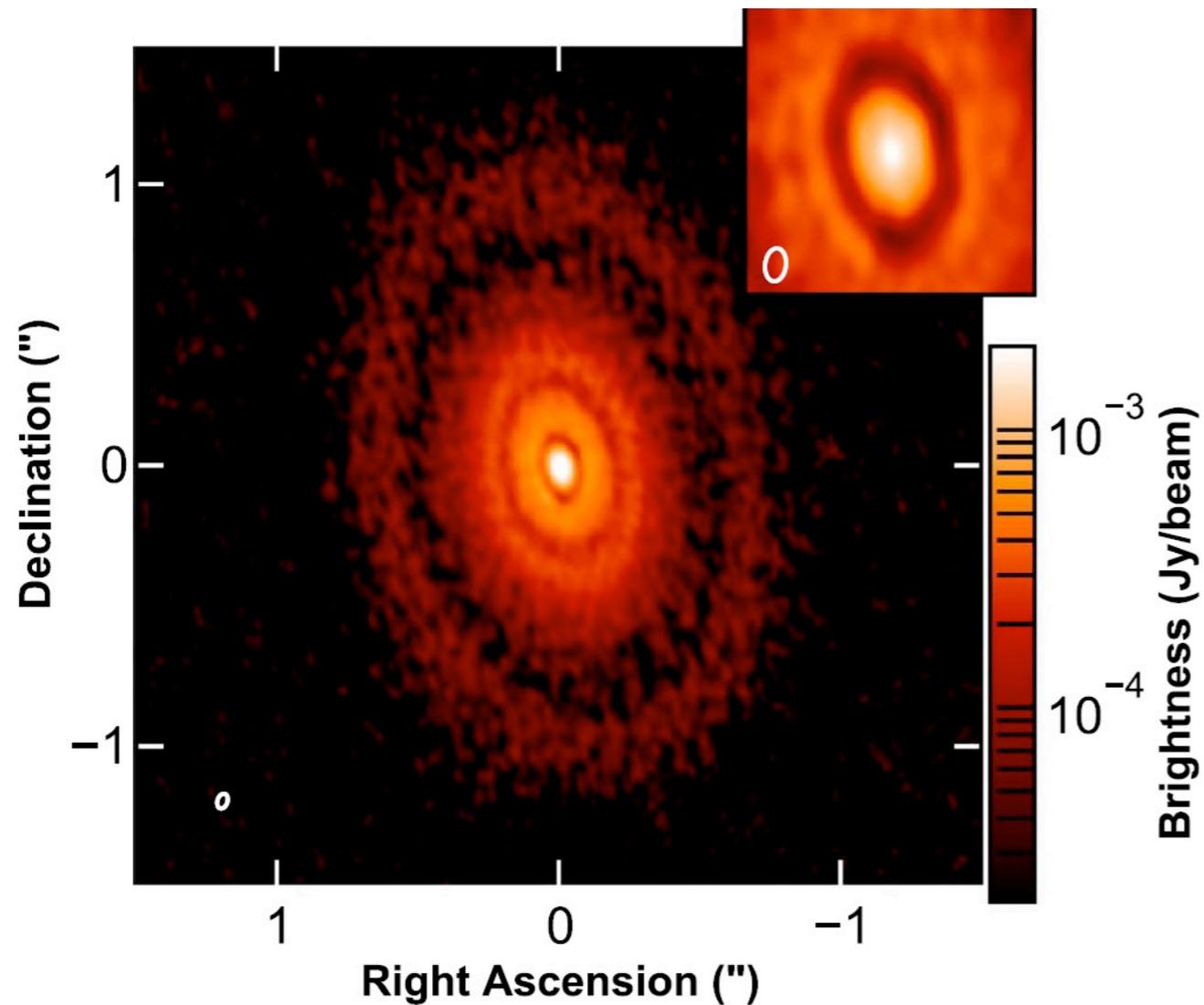
| Method | Alpha value |
|---|------------------|
| Disc radii | $< \sim 10^{-3}$ |
| Spread accretion rate – disc mass | $\sim 10^{-3}$ |
| Lack of turbulence from CO rotational transitions | $< 10^{-2}$ |
| Dust settling | 10^{-4} |

Conclusions

- Evolution of macroscopic quantities poses constraints on disc evolution processes
- General conclusion: if discs are viscous, they are unlikely to be *highly* viscous
- So far absence of evidence of viscosity/turbulence in the outer disc (but no evidence of absence)

Backup slides

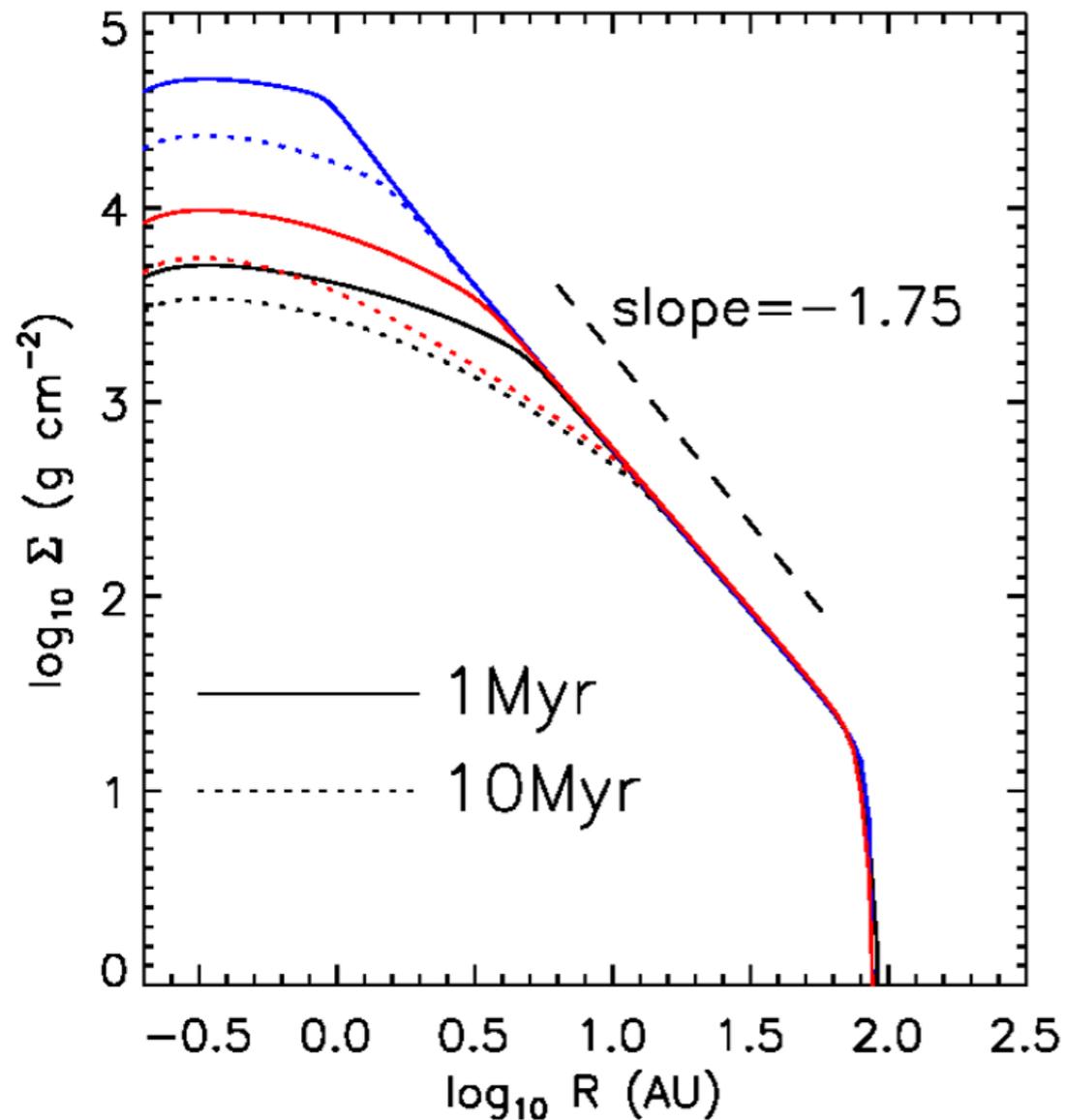
An oddball?



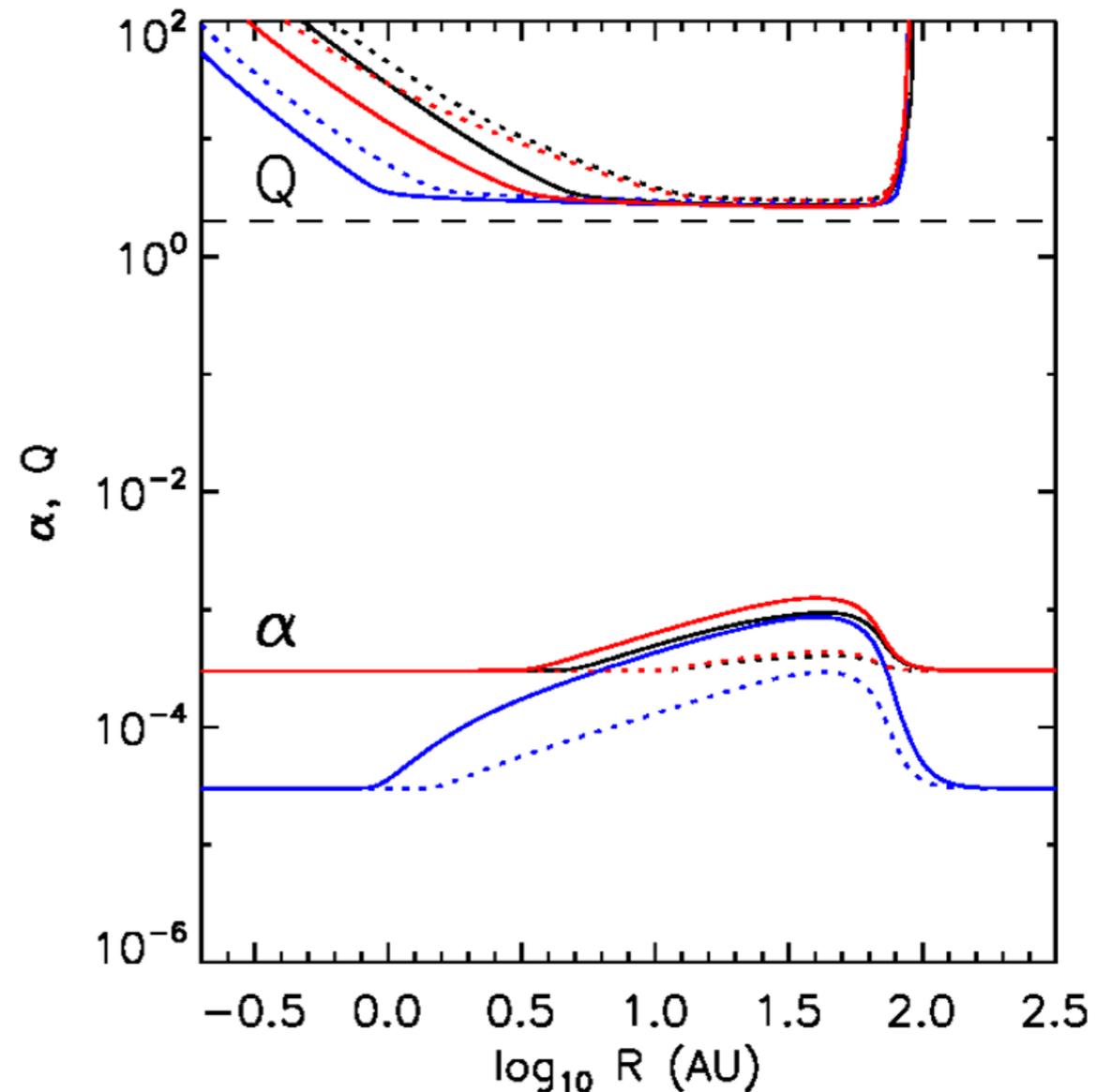
Matches all observational constraints with grains in fragmentation limit; $\alpha=0.012$

An alternative framework

Hartmann & Bae 2018



$0.02 M_{\odot}$ within 1 AU



Low levels of viscosity

Simple scaling relations

$$F_{\nu} \approx \pi B_{\nu}(T) \Sigma_d \kappa_{\nu} R_{\text{cliff}}^2$$

Flux dominated by cliff radius

$$a_{\text{frag}} = f_f \frac{2}{3\pi} \frac{\Sigma_g}{\rho_s \alpha} \frac{u_f^2}{c_s^2}$$

$$a_{\text{frag}} \propto \frac{\Sigma_g}{c_s^2} = \frac{\Sigma_d}{\epsilon c_s^2}$$

$$F_{\nu} \propto R_{\text{cliff}}$$

$$a_{\text{drift}} = f_d \frac{2 \Sigma_d}{\pi \rho_s} \frac{V_k^2}{c_s^2} \gamma^{-1}$$

$$a_{\text{drift}} \propto \left(\frac{H}{R} \right)^{-2} \Sigma_d$$

$$F_{\nu} \propto R_{\text{cliff}}^2$$

Grain growth model

Birnstiel+ (2012)

$$a_{\text{frag}} = f_f \frac{2}{3\pi} \frac{\Sigma_g}{\rho_s \alpha} \frac{u_f^2}{c_s^2}$$

Turbulence-induced
fragmentation

$$a_{\text{drift}} = f_d \frac{2 \Sigma_d}{\pi \rho_s} \frac{V_k^2}{c_s^2} \gamma^{-1}$$

Grains grow as fast
as they drift

Fiducial model: $\alpha=10^{-3}$, $R=10$ au,
 $M=0.1 M_{\odot}$

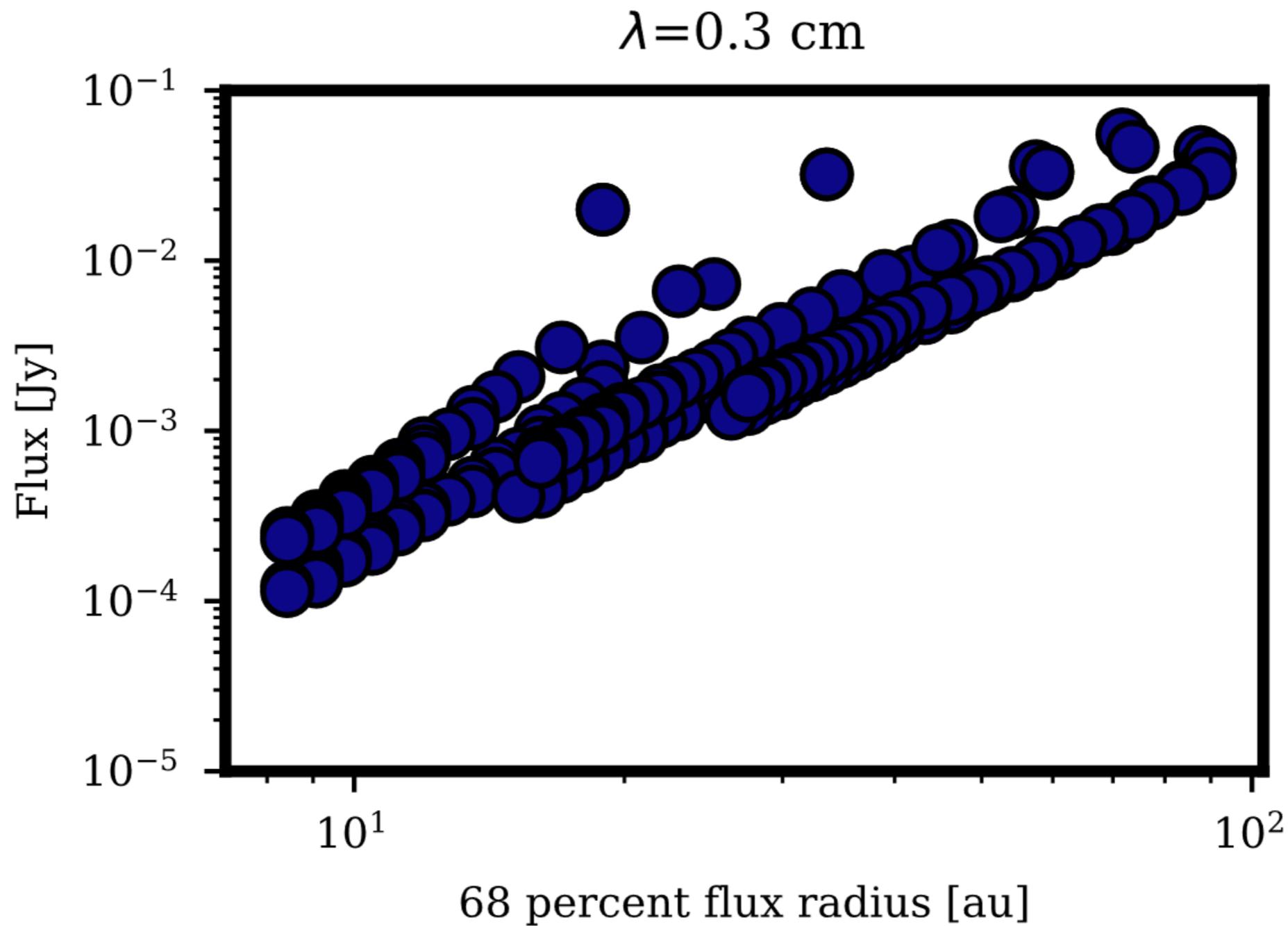
So does everything work?

Discs still there *despite* radial drift, with the right radii and fluxes

Two pending issues:

- *large* discs (>100 au) become small (~50 au) after 2 Myr. Traps?
- 3mm spectral indexes. Clearly need more observational input from ALMA. Note however that spatially integrated spectral index measures grain size *slope*, more than the *grain size*

Longer wavelengths

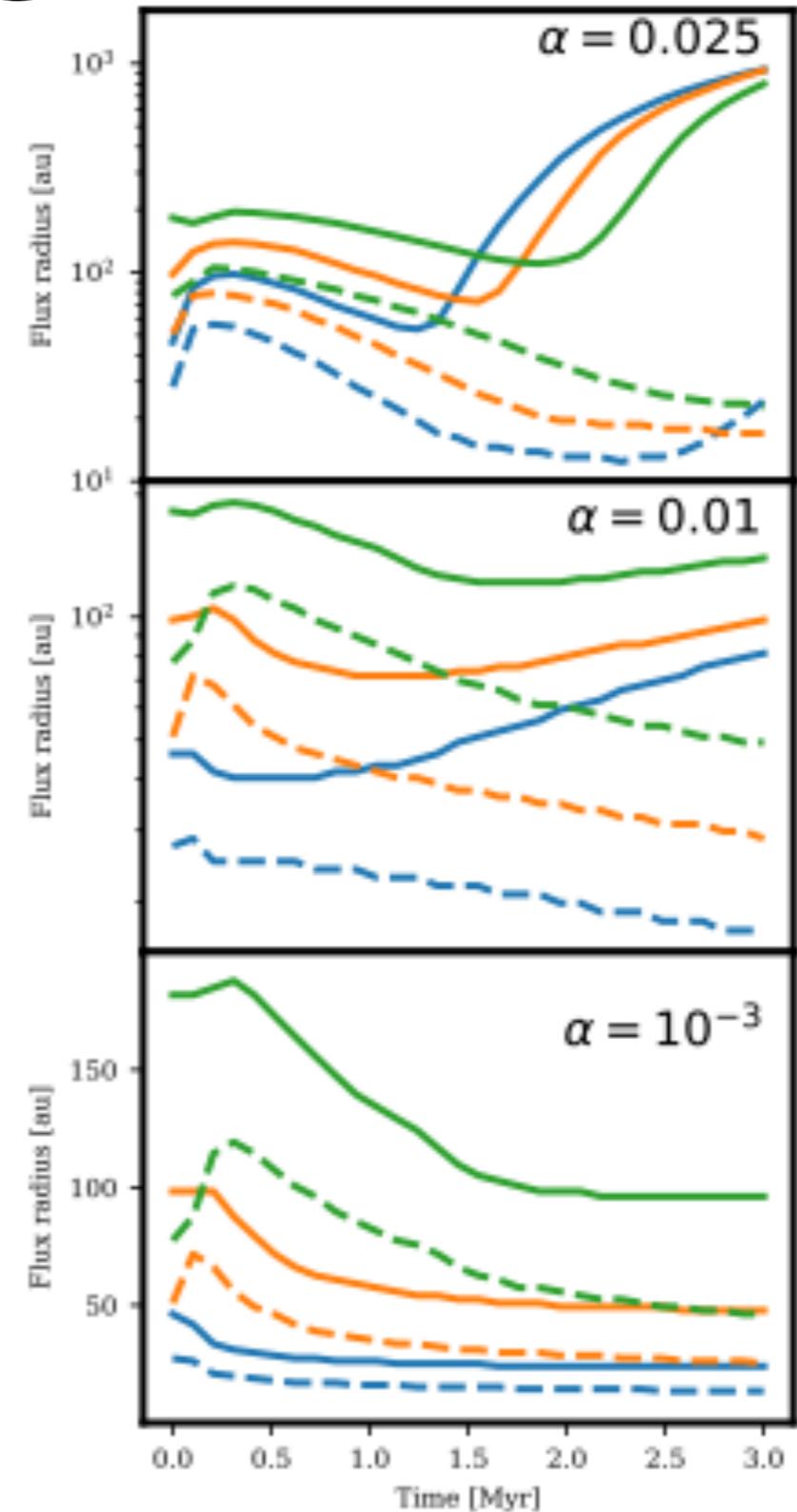
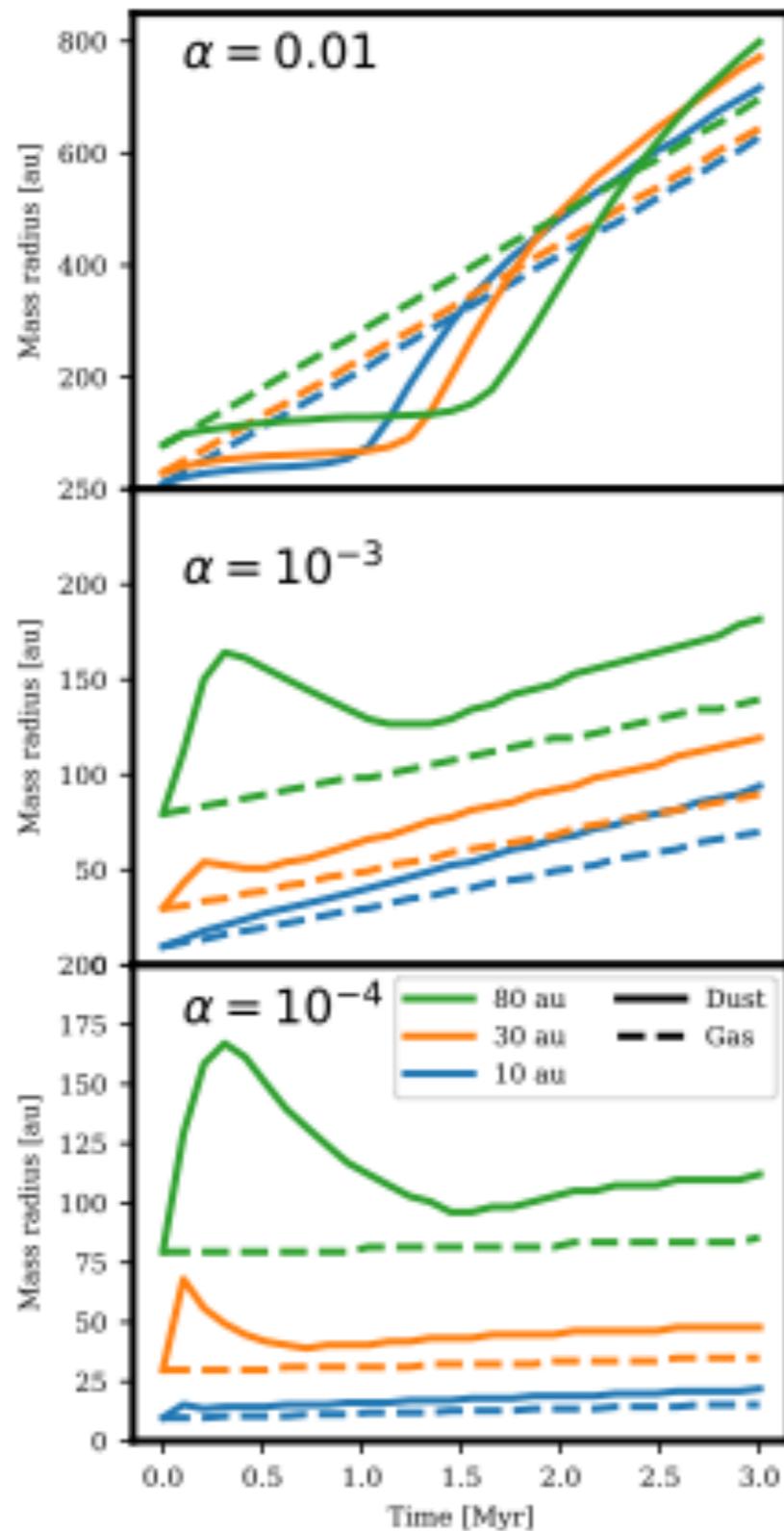


$$F_\nu \propto \kappa_\nu a_{\text{cliff}} R_{\text{cliff}}^2 \nu^2$$

$$F_\nu / R_{\text{cliff}}^2 \propto \nu^2$$

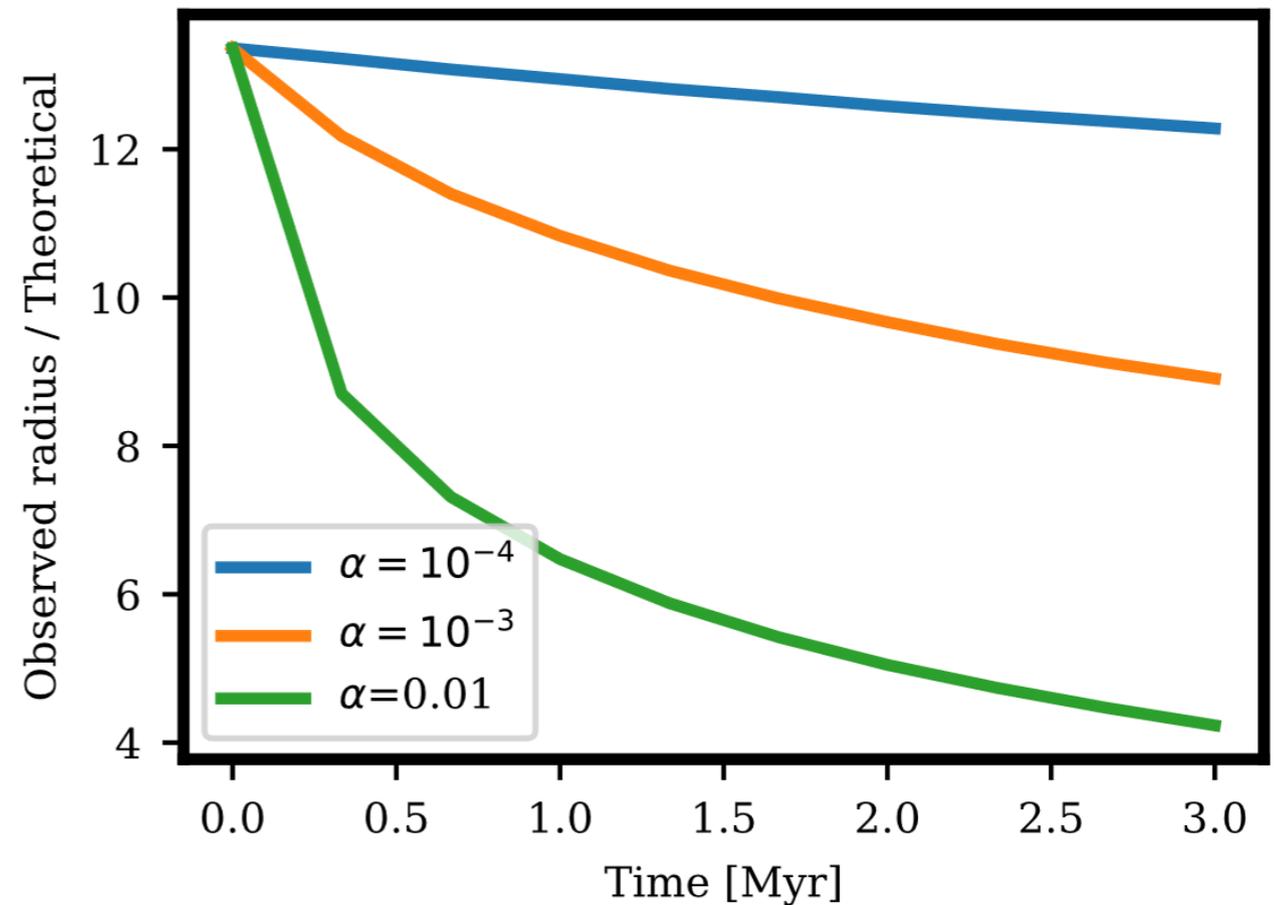
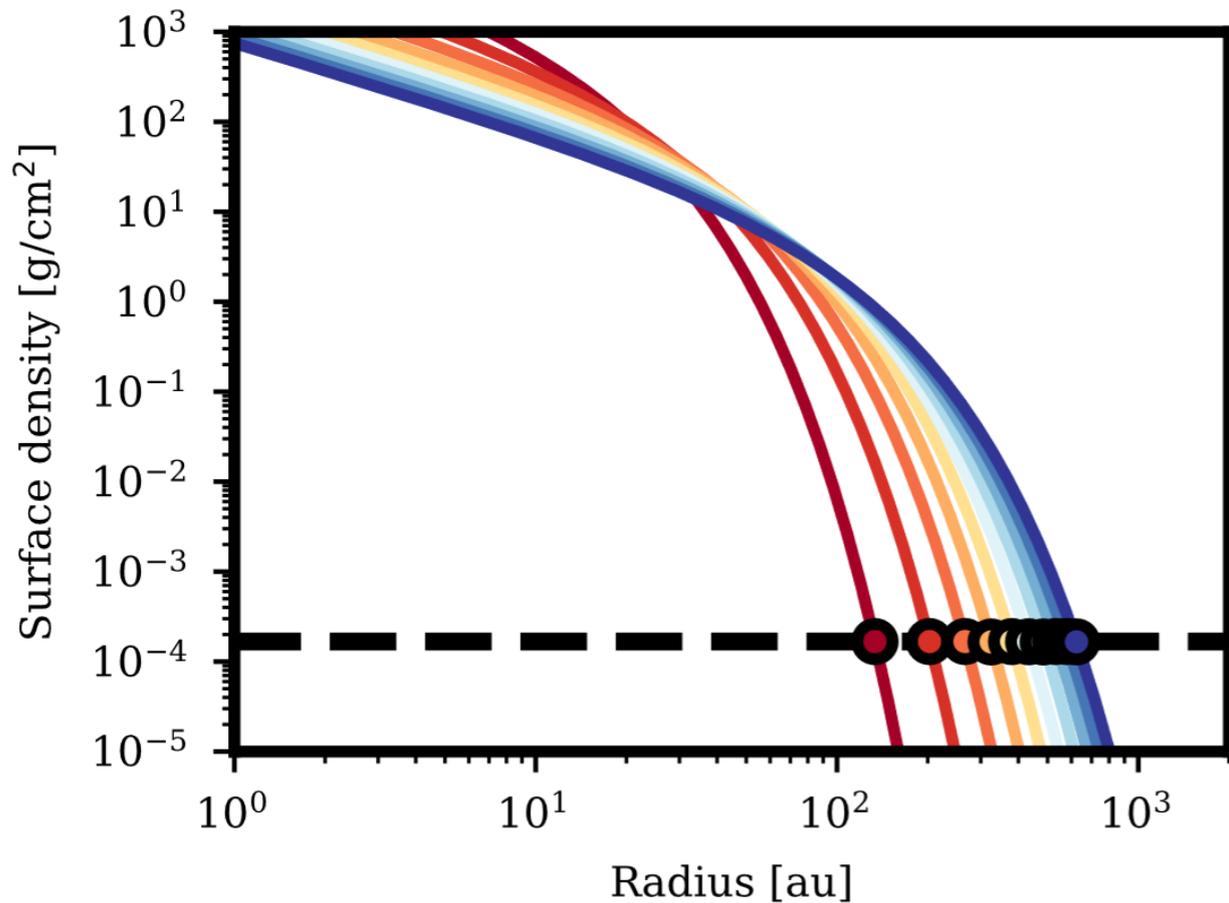
Varying α

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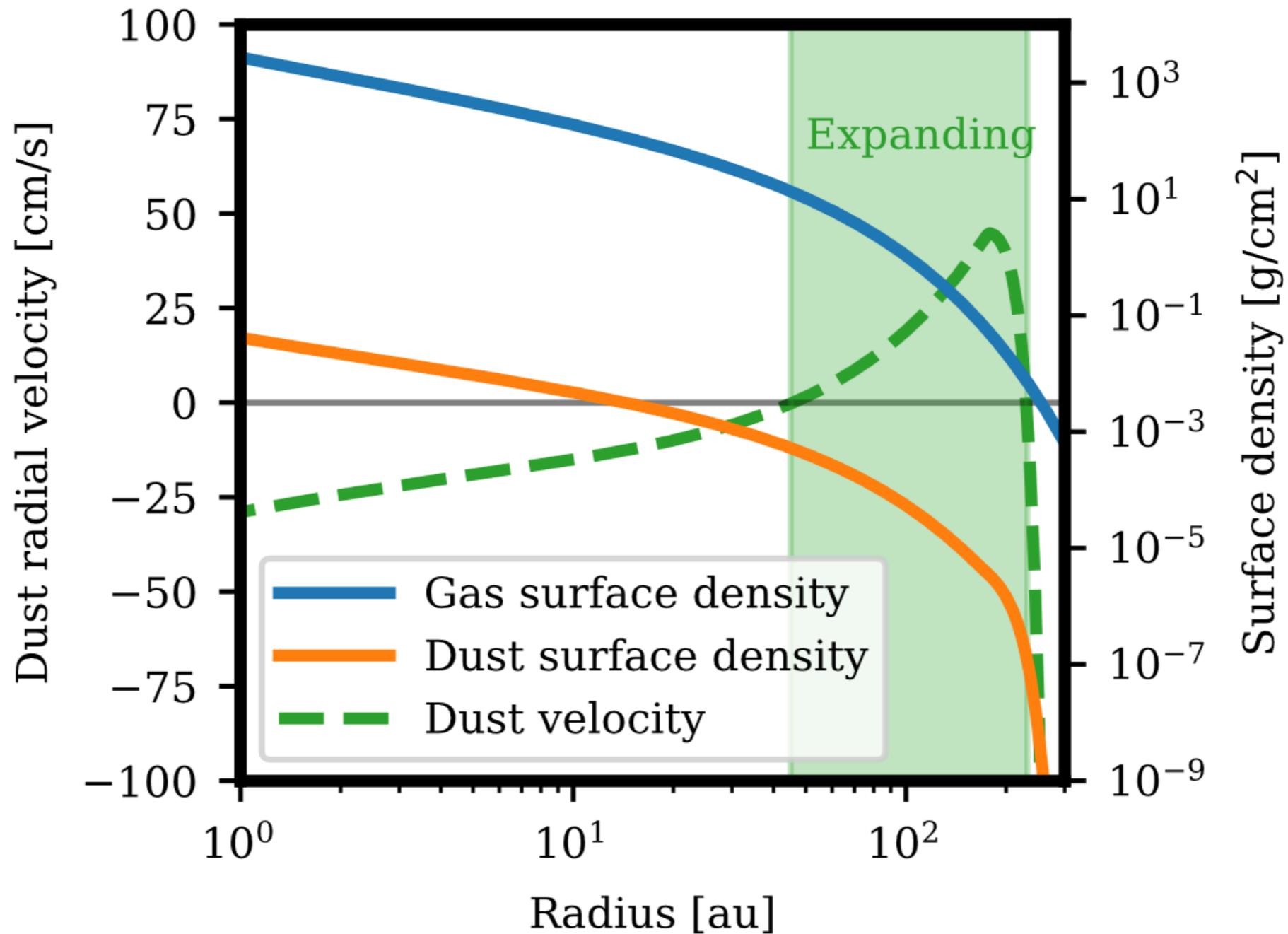
Rate of spreading increases with α

Can't we do this in the gas?

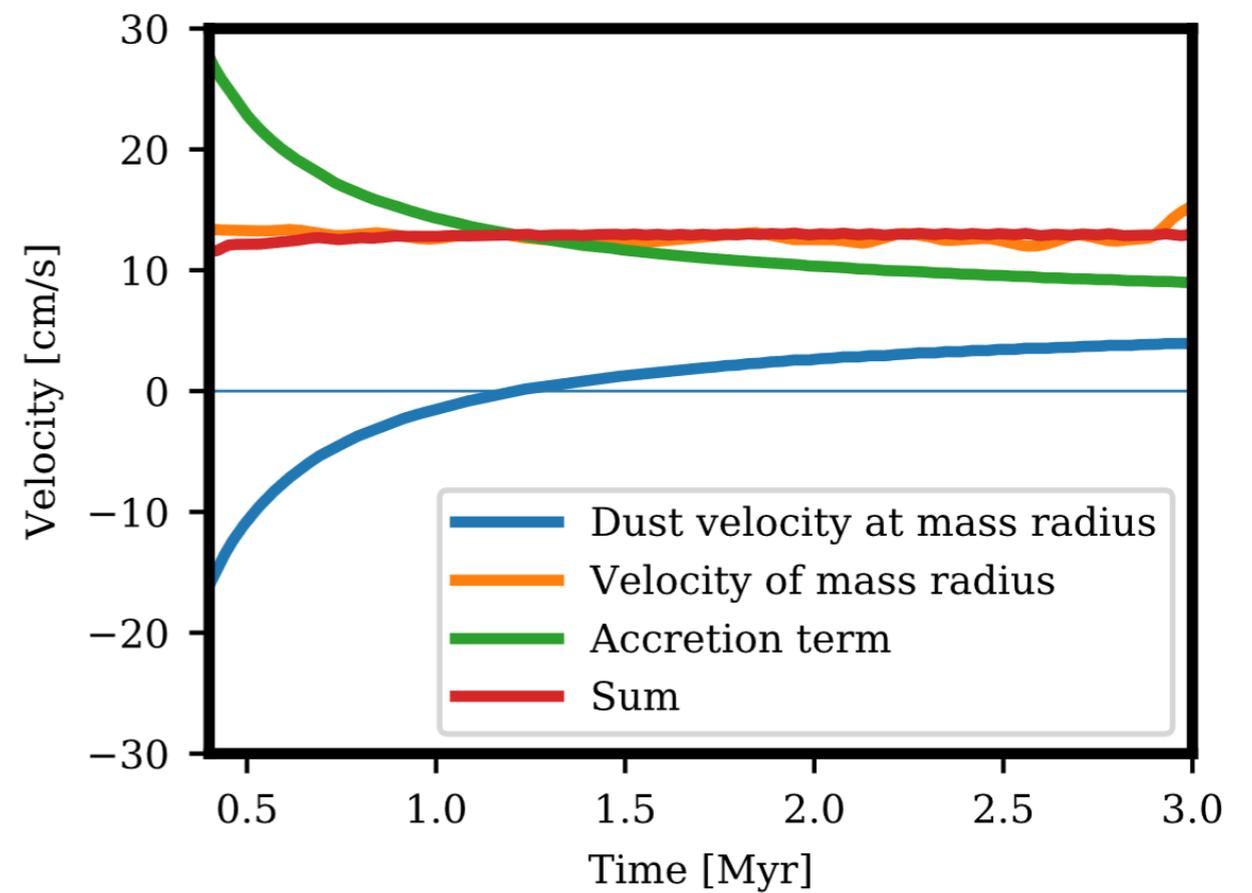
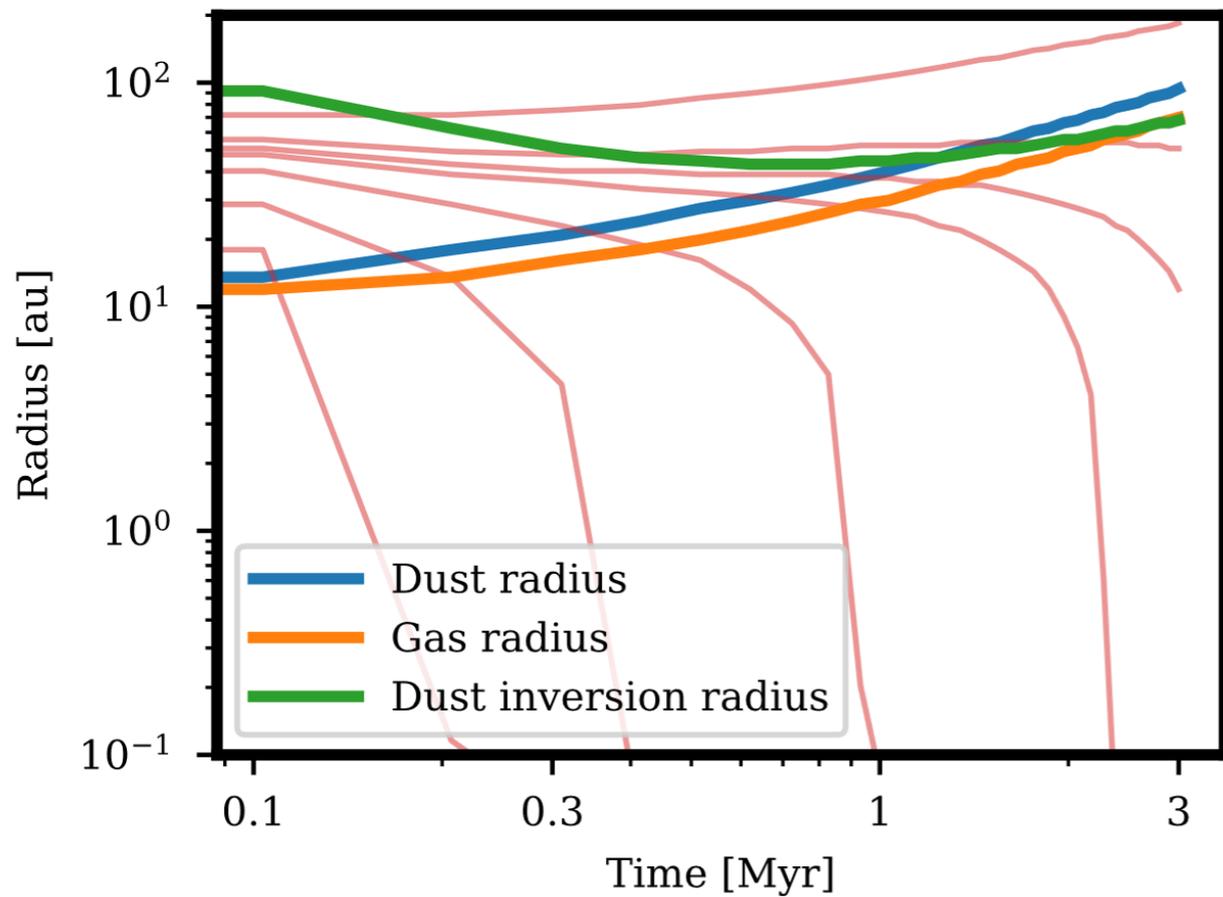


Perhaps, but not with an optically thick line like ¹²CO
Dashed horizontal line is photo-dissociation density
(van Dishoeck & Black, 1988)

In-depth look at mass radius evolution

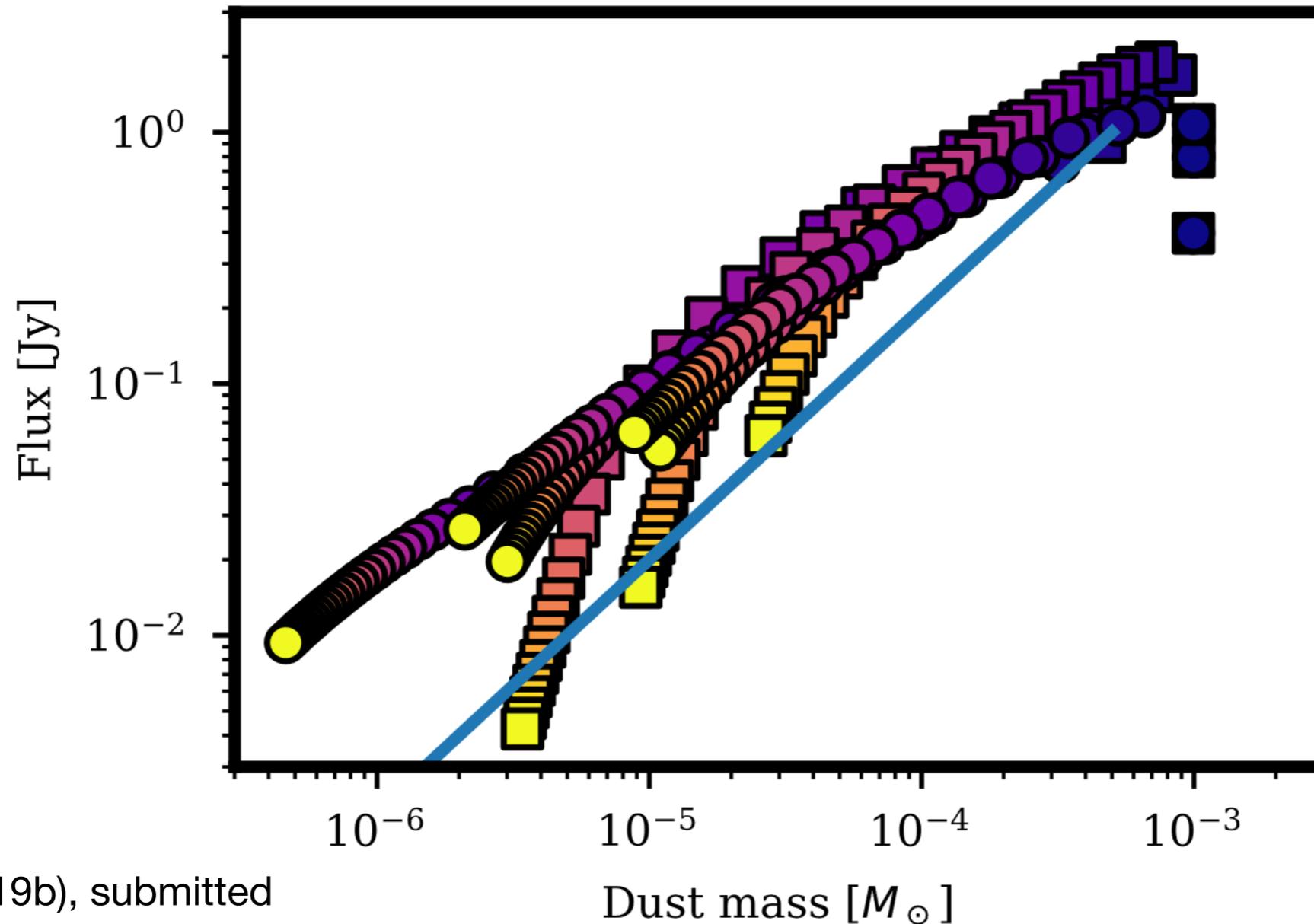


In-depth look at mass radius evolution



$$\frac{dr_s}{dt} = \frac{-\dot{M}(r_s) + (1 - f)\dot{M}(r_*)}{2\pi r_s \Sigma(r_s)}$$

Do we see all the mass?



GR+ (2019b), submitted

No. But mass actually *overestimated* using standard relations because of different opacity