High-mass star formation

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Vazquez-Semadeni et al. 2019

Topics

Infall/Inflow on large scales Physical and chemical properties

Disks

Magnetic fields

(Episodic accretion —> Talk by H. Linz)

Hub-filament accretion



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Trevino-Morales et al. 2019

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Other examples: Peretto+2014 Hacar+217, Kumar+2022, etc.

Dynamics at the earliest stages I



Dec. (J2000)

Dynamics at the earliest stages II



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Converging gas flow signatures



Filamentary sub-structures



Li et al. 2020, 2022

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Li et al. 2020, 2022

Dense cores in 1.3mm continuum



Astronomical Units (AU)

Dense cores in 1.3mm continuum





Beuther et al. 2018

Offset (AU) http://www.mpia.de/core





Physical properties



Gieser et al. 2021



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—> Poster Caroline Gieser

Rotational properties



Ahmadi 2020, in prep.

Rotational properties



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Disk fragmentation: NOEMA 850µm



Suri et al. 2021

Disk fragmentation: NOEMA 850µm





position-velocity cut

Suri et al. 2021

color: 1st moment HCN contours: 843µm continuum

Massive disk sub-structures I



Johnston et al. 2020

Massive disk sub-structures I



Johnston et al. 2020

Massive disk sub-structures I



Similar spiral-like features in Sanna et al. 2021

Johnston et al. 2020

Massive disk sub-structures II

G17.64: 20x15mas -> 44x33AU



Maud et al. 2019

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Maud et al. 2019

The disk in Orion source I



30mas --> 12AU

Ginsburg et al. 2018

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30mas —> 12AU

Ginsburg et al. 2018

No clear disk in W51e

20mas@5.4kpc~100AU resolution



- No disk identified at resolution limit.
- Existence of outflows indicate disks at smaller scales
- Accretion streamer feeding the central region.

Goddi et al. 2020



Stephens et al. 2020



Stephens et al. 2020



See also Pillai et al. 2020

Stephens et al. 2020



Gravity, rotation and magnetic field



Gravity-dominated magnetic field



Sanhueza et al. 2021

Summary

- Dynamics important on all scales.
- Future focus likely:
 - Infall on all scales, connections of scales
 - Fragmentation and the formation of the IMF
 - Disks at highest angular resolution
 - Chemical evolution, also JWST
 - Magnetic fields
 - Episodic accretion