

HD 98800 AaAbBaBb

A benchmark binary for understanding star-disk interaction

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Given a perturbation, theory predicts model-dependent disk structure → disks in multiple systems could help calibrate models

aligned circumbinary disk



Franchini et al. 2019

misaligned circumbinary disk



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Boden et al. 2005

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predictions: coplanarity at inner and outer disk edges, gap if gas-poor



(warp expected as B reddened more than A) A unique window on circumbinary planet formation at o

misaligned! disk is polar or moderately misaligned w.r.t. inner binary orbit



Kennedy et al. 2019

CO detected from 1.6-6.4au dust 2.5-4.6au, i.e. dust trap



Kennedy et al. 2019

RA (J2000)

Circumbinary dynamics - an example





e=0.77









Martin & Lubow 2017

r = inclinationphi = node

Circumbinary dynamics - protoplanetary damping to either coplanar or polar configurations



Martin & Lubow 2017

Inclination ambiguity - polar or misaligned?

misaligned >







Applications - disk dynamics Given known perturbation, observation should constrain model



observed inner edge

Franchini et al. 2019

Applications - optical depth structure





Refining orbits with VLTI

Seba Zuniga-Fernandez in prep. (BaBb), and proposal accepted (AaAb)





Summary



- HD 98800 mostly known-orbit binary
- Quantify interior and exterior perturbations
- May help constrain disk physics...
- ...viscosity, dust trapping, disk mass?
- Orbital refinement/characterisation ongoing
- AaAb occultation to come...