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ABSTRACT

The formation of protoplanetary disks is not well understood. To understand how and when these disks are formed, it is crucial to characterize the kinematics of the youngest protostars at a high angular resolution. Here we study a sample of 16 Class 0 protostars to measure their rotation profile at scales from 50 to 500 au and search for Keplerian rotation. We used high-angular-resolution line observations obtained with the Plateau de Bure Interferometer as part of the CALYPSO large program. From ^{13}CO ($J = 2 - 1$), C^{18}O ($J = 2 - 1$) and SO ($N_j = 5_6 - 4_5$) moment maps, we find that seven sources show rotation about the jet axis at a few hundred au scales: SerpS-MM18, L1448-C, L1448-NB, L1527, NGC1333- IRAS2A, NGC1333-IRAS4B, and SVS13-B. We analyzed the kinematics of these sources in the uv plane to derive the rotation profiles down to 50 au scales. We find evidence for Keplerian rotation in only two sources, L1527 and L1448-C. Overall, this suggests that Keplerian disks larger than 50 au are uncommon around Class 0 protostars. However, in some of the sources, the line emission could be optically thick and dominated by the envelope emission. Due to the optical thickness of these envelopes, some of the disks could have remained undetected in our observations.

Key words. protoplanetary disks – stars: formation – stars: protostars

1. Introduction

Protoplanetary disks are the birth site of planetary systems. Determining how and when these disks are formed is, therefore, important for understanding the formation of planetary systems. Protoplanetary disks are ubiquitous around Class II young stellar objects. Continuum observations at millimeter to infrared wavelengths indicate that their radii comprise between a few tens and a few hundreds of au (see ?, for a review), but recent ALMA surveys also find disks with smaller radii (e.g., ?). Millimeter line observations show that the gas around these disks is in Keplerian motion (e.g., ?) and, therefore, these disks are rotationally supported. Disks are also common around Class I protostars (e.g., ???). However, disks around the youngest Class 0 protostars are more difficult to observe. Because these objects are the youngest accreting protostars, most of their mass is still in the form of an envelope (???), which makes the detection of a disk challenging. Yet the observation and the characterization of disks around young embedded protostars are key to understanding the formation of disks.

In the absence of magnetic fields, disks are expected to form and to grow quickly as a consequence of angular momentum conservation during the rotating collapse of the protostellar envelope (?). However, magnetic fields can redistribute angular momentum from small to large scales efficiently (through so-called magnetic braking). Early magneto-hydrodynamical (MHD) simulations (in the ideal limit) have shown that the disk forma-

tion is hampered, even for modest values of the magnetic flux (????). More recent simulations that consider non-ideal MHD effects, radiative transfer, turbulence, and different initial conditions (such as the misalignment between the magnetic field and the rotation axis) now predict the formation of small (with a radius of a few tens of au) disks during the Class 0 phase (e.g., ?).

Observational evidence for disks around Class 0 protostars is still scarce. ? observed a sub-millimeter continuum emission excess, mostly unresolved within the Submillimeter Array (SMA) beam, in a sample of Class 0 protostars that they attributed to disk emission. ? used SMA observations to derive the rotation of a sample of 17 protostars on 1000 au scales. Assuming that the specific angular momentum was conserved during the collapse, they derived centrifugal radii comprised between 5 and 500 au. However, the spatial resolution of their observations is not sufficient for the detection of Keplerian rotation within the centrifugal radius. So far, direct evidence of Keplerian motions has only been found in a few Class 0 protostars and that is thanks to high resolution (sub-)millimeter interferometric observations: L1527, a border-line Class 0 object (???, disk radius of 74 au), VLA1623, the prototypical Class 0 protostar (? , disk radius of 150 au), HH212 (??, disk radius of 90-120 au), L1448-IRS3 (? , disk radius of ~400 au), Lupus 3 MMS (? , disk radius of 100 au), and IRAS 16253-2429 (? , disk radius of 8-32 au). On the other hand, no disks have been detected at scales larger than 100 au in NGC1333-IRAS2A (?) and 10 au in B335 (?). Therefore, it

is still unclear if Keplerian disks are common around Class 0 protostars.

In this paper, we present high-angular millimeter line interferometric observations of a sample of 16 Class 0 protostars obtained with the IRAM Plateau de Bure interferometer (hereafter PdBI) as part of the CALYPSO (Continuum and Line from Young Protostellar Objects) survey. CALYPSO is an IRAM Large Program (P.I. Philippe André) that consists of line and continuum observations towards a large sample of nearby ($d < 436$ pc) Class 0 protostars that aims to understand the angular momentum problem¹. Here we use line observations to measure the rotation at scales between 50 and 500 au and to determine whether Keplerian disks are present in these objects. In a recent paper, ? study the continuum emission in the same sample to determine if disk-like structures are present. A companion paper focuses on the rotation of the envelopes on scales up to 5000 au (? subm.).

2. Observations

Observations were carried out with the PdBI between September 2010 and March 2013 as part of CALYPSO². We observed a sample of 16 Class 0 protostars located in the Taurus, Perseus, Serpens, and Aquila molecular cloud complexes at distances between 140 and 436 pc. Table 1 gives the continuum peak positions, distances, internal luminosities, envelope masses, and flux densities at 1.4 mm of the sources. Our sample covers a wide range of internal luminosities and envelope masses and should, therefore, be representative of the whole population of Class 0 protostars.

We used the configurations A and C of the array, which provide baselines³ between 15 m and 760 m. In this study, we focus on the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) (220.398 684 GHz), C^{18}O (2 – 1) (219.560 354 GHz) and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) (219.949 442 GHz) line emission. Previous studies have shown that these lines are good tracers of disks in Class 0 protostars (????). These three lines were observed simultaneously using the 1.3 mm receivers connected to the narrow-band backend with a bandwidth of 512 channels of 39 kHz (0.05 km s^{-1}) each.

The data were calibrated and reduced using the GILDAS software package (?). For sources with a continuum peak flux density higher than 80 mJy beam^{-1} , the line observations were self-calibrated using the continuum visibilities⁴. Other sources were calibrated using strong quasars only. To improve the signal-to-noise ratio, all line observations were re-sampled to a spectral resolution of 0.2 km s^{-1} . Imaging was done using robust weighting with a robust parameter of 1. Typical synthesized beam sizes are $0.7''$ (HPBW), which corresponds to linear scales between 100 and 300 au, depending on the source distance. The sensitivity of the line observations is between 10 and 24 mJy beam^{-1} per 0.2 km s^{-1} channel depending on the source. Synthesized beams and sensitivities for each line are given in Appendix A.

3. Results

3.1. Overview of the sample

Figure 1 shows the zeroth-order moment (integrated intensity) and first-order moment (mean velocity) maps of the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1) and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) lines, together with the 1.4 mm continuum emission maps from ? in L1448-NB, L1448-C, NGC1333-IRAS2A, and L1527. The same figures for the other sources of the sample are shown in Appendix B (Figs. B.1-B.3). The moments are computed using all spectral channels with emission above 5σ . In these figures, we also show for each source, the jet axis as derived from CALYPSO observations (Podio et al., in prep). As seen in the zeroth-order moment maps, ^{13}CO (2 – 1) emission is detected in all sources except L1521F, which is, together with IRAM04191, the lowest luminosity source of our sample. C^{18}O (2 – 1) is also detected in most sources, except IRAM04191, L1521F, and GF9-2. Finally, we detect SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) emission in five sources: NGC1333-IRAS2A, NGC1333-IRAS4A, NGC1333-IRAS4B, L1527, and SerpS-MM18. The morphology of the emission varies from one source and line to the other and can be classified into three broad categories: 1. extended emission with respect to the continuum emission (e.g., the C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission in NGC1333-IRAS2A) 2. compact emission centered on continuum emission (e.g., the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) emission in L1527) and 3. bi-polar emission from the outflow (e.g., SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) in NGC1333-IRAS2A). For most sources, the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) line emissions fall into the first two categories. On the other hand, the SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) emission, when detected, falls into the third category for most sources, with the notable exception of L1527.

Most lines and sources show clear velocity gradients (as seen from the first-order moment maps), which could be due to the rotation of the envelope or a disk, or to the radial motion of the bipolar outflow. In order to determine the origin of these gradients, we fit the first-order moment map of each line with a linear gradient (?):

$$M_1 = v_0 + a \Delta\alpha + b \Delta\delta, \quad (1)$$

where M_1 is the first-order moment, $\Delta\alpha$ and $\Delta\delta$ are the R.A. and declination offsets from the continuum peak position, and v_0 , a and b are the fitted parameters. A linear gradient is expected for a spherical envelope rotating as a solid body. Although solid-body rotation may be a crude approximation, such a fit provides a rough estimate of the velocity gradient amplitude and its orientation, and it is useful to determine the origin of the emission (see, e.g., ?). To perform these fits, we compute, for each pixel of in the image plane, the first-order moment and its uncertainty (see ?, Eq. 2.3), ignoring channels with emission lower than 5σ . Because the datacubes produced by the interferometer are over-sampled spatially, only two points per synthesized beam are fitted to ensure Nyquist sampling. Since we are interested in measuring the rotation of the innermost regions of the protostar (and in turn to determine if a disk is present), we consider pixels within a radius of $2''$ from the continuum peak. This corresponds to a maximum radius from 300 to 1000 au depending

¹ See <http://irfu.cea.fr/Projets/Calyпсо> for more details.

² CALYPSO data are available from <http://www.iram.fr/ILPA/LP010/>.

³ These baselines correspond to physical scales between $0.4''$ and $19''$ at a wavelength of 1.4 mm.

⁴ We refer the reader to ? for details on the calibration of the continuum observations.

Table 1. Source sample.

Source	Peak	Position (J2000) ^a		dist. (pc)	L_{int}^b (L_{\odot})	M_{env}^c (M_{\odot})	$S_{1.4\text{mm}}^d$ (mJy beam ⁻¹)	jet PA ^e ($^{\circ}$)	Ref. ^f
		R.A.	Dec.						
L1448-2A	2A	03 ^h 25 ^m 22 ^s .405	30°45′13″.26	293	4.7	1.9	23	-63 ^g	1, 2, 3
	2Ab	03 ^h 25 ^m 22 ^s .355	30°45′13″.16	293	...	...	11	...	1, 2, ...
L1448-NB	NB1	03 ^h 25 ^m 36 ^s .378	30°45′14″.77	293	3.9	4.8	146	-80	4, 2, 5
	NB2	03 ^h 25 ^m 36 ^s .315	30°45′15″.15	293	...	...	69	...	4, 2, ...
L1448-C		03 ^h 25 ^m 38 ^s .875	30°44′05″.33	293	10.9	2.0	123	-17	6, 2, 5
NGC1333-IRAS2A		03 ^h 28 ^m 55 ^s .570	31°14′37″.07	293	47	7.9	132	-155	7, 2, 8
SVS13B		03 ^h 29 ^m 03 ^s .078	31°15′51″.74	293	3.1	2.8	127	167	9, 2, 10
NGC1333-IRAS4A	4A1	03 ^h 29 ^m 10 ^s .537	31°13′30″.98	293	4.7	12.3	481	180	7, 2, 5
	4A2	03 ^h 29 ^m 10 ^s .432	31°13′32″.12	293	...	...	186	-178	7, 2, ...
NGC1333-IRAS4B		03 ^h 29 ^m 12 ^s .016	31°13′08″.02	293	2.3	4.7	278	167	7, 2, 5
IRAM04191		04 ^h 21 ^m 56 ^s .899	15°29′46″.11	140	0.05	0.5	4.7	-160	11, 12, 13
L1521F		04 ^h 28 ^m 38 ^s .941	26°51′35″.14	140	0.035	0.7	1.6	-120	14, 12, 15
L1527		04 ^h 39 ^m 53 ^s .875	26°03′09″.66	140	0.9	1.2	129	90	16, 12, 17
SerpM-S68N		18 ^h 29 ^m 48 ^s .091	01°16′43″.41	436	11	11	35	-45	18, 19, 20
SerpM-SMM4	a	18 ^h 29 ^m 56 ^s .716	01°13′15″.65	436	2	8	184	10	18, 19, 20
SerpS-MM18	a	18 ^h 30 ^m 04 ^s .118	-02°03′02″.55	350	29	5	148	-172	21, 22, 21
SerpS-MM22		18 ^h 30 ^m 12 ^s .310	-02°06′53″.56	350	0.4	0.9	20	-130	21, 22, 21
L1157		20 ^h 39 ^m 06 ^s .269	68°02′15″.70	352	4.0	3.0	117	163	23, 24, 17
GF9-2		20 ^h 51 ^m 29 ^s .823	60°18′38″.44	200 ^h	0.3	0.5	9.9	0	25, 26, 26

Notes. ^(a) Equatorial coordinates of the continuum peak measured by ?. ^(b) Internal luminosity, estimated from the Herschel Gould Belt Survey (HGBS, see ? and Ladjelate et al. in prep.). ^(c) Envelope mass, corrected for the assumed distance. ^(d) Peak flux density at 1.4 mm measured by ?. ^(e) PA of the jet blue lobe. We adopt the values measured by Podio et al. (in prep.) from CALYPSO observations of the SiO line emission. These values are in agreement with those estimated from previous studies, e.g., ?, ?, ? and ??. ^(f) References for the protostar discovery, distance and envelope mass. ^(g) Jet is asymmetric: the red-shifted lobe PA is 140°. ^(h) The distance of GF9-2 is very uncertain. Here we adopt a distance of 200 pc (?), but another study suggests a distance of 474 pc (Zucker, priv. comm.).

References. (1) ?; (2) ?; (3) ?; (4) ?; (5) ?; (6) ?; (7) ?; (8) ?; (9) ?; (10) ?; (11) ?; (12) ?; (13) ?; (14) ?; (15) ?; (16) ?; (17) ?; (18) ?; (19) ?; (20) ?; (21) ?; (22) Palmeirim et al. (in prep.); (23) ?; (24) ?; (25) ?; (26) ?.

on the source distance. The velocity gradient amplitude is given by:

$$G = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}/d, \quad (2)$$

where d is the source distance. The position angle of the gradient, measured from north to east, is:

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(a/b). \quad (3)$$

Table 2 gives the values of G , v_0 and θ that we obtain. The gradient orientations are also shown in Fig. 1 and Figs. B.1-B.3. In Table 2 we also report the difference between the velocity gradient orientation and the direction perpendicular to the jet, which we note as $\Delta\theta$. A value close to 0° is expected if the velocity gradient is due to the rotation of the envelope or a disk, while a value close to 90° indicates that the gradient is mostly due to the outflow, or infall in a flattened geometry. Based on these values, we selected a sample of disk candidates in which $\Delta\theta < 45^\circ$ for at least one line⁵. According to this criterion, we find seven disk candidates: L1448-NB, L1448-C, NGC1333-IRAS2A, SVS13B, NGC1333-IRAS4B, L1527 and SerpS-MM18. In the following, we analyze the line kinematics of these sources to derive rotation curves down to 50 au scales.

⁵ For L1448-2A, which has asymmetric jets, we use the direction of the jet lobe that gives the lowest $\Delta\theta$ value.

The results for L1527, L1448-NB, and L1448-C are presented in Sect. 3.2. The results for the other disk candidates are presented in Appendix C.

3.2. Disk candidates

3.2.1. L1527

L1527 is a border-line Class 0 protostar (??) located in the Taurus molecular cloud at a distance of 140 pc (?)⁶. The protostar internal luminosity is 0.9 L_{\odot} (Ladjelate et al., in prep.) and its envelope mass is 1.2 M_{\odot} (?). The blue-shifted lobe PA of L1527 jet is 90° (Podio et al. in prep.). L1527 is the first Class 0 protostar in which a Keplerian disk was claimed. ? observed the ¹³CO (2 – 1) line emission with the CARMA interferometer and suggest that the rotation profile of the inner envelope is consistent with Keplerian rotation ($v \propto r^{-0.5}$). ? observed the C¹⁸O (2 – 1) line emission using the SMA interferometer and find that the rotation profile is best-fitted with $v \propto r^{-1}$ suggesting rotation and infall with conservation of the angular momentum. ? used ALMA cycle 0 observations of SO and cyclic-C₃H₂ line emission to find that SO is only present inside a 100 au region in radius, while the cyclic-C₃H₂ is present only outside. They interpret these observations as a change of the gas chemical composition at the centrifugal

⁶ A recent study gives a slightly closer distance (130 pc; ?). Here we adopt a distance of 140 pc for consistency with previous studies of L1527.

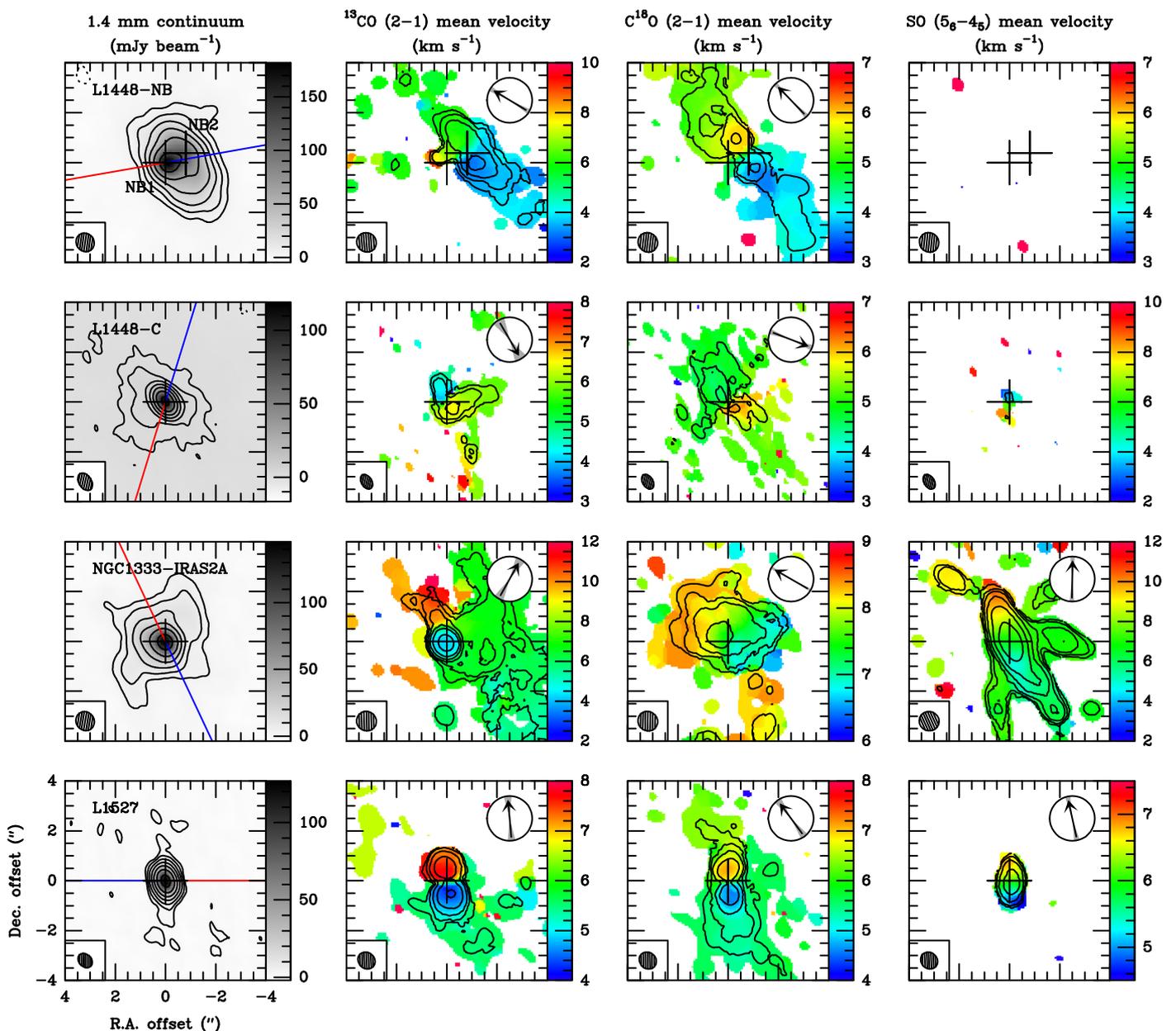


Fig. 1. 1.4 mm continuum emission, integrated intensities and mean velocities of the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1) and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines in L1448-NB, L1448-C, NGC1333-IRAS2A, and L1527. Left panels show the 1.4 mm continuum emission. The other panels show the line mean velocities (first-order moment; background image), together with the line integrated intensities (zeroth-order moment; black contours). Contours are drawn at -3σ (dotted lines) 3σ , 6σ , 12σ and so on (solid lines). In each panel, the black crosses show the position of the main continuum peak(s). The blue and red lines in the left panels indicate the direction of the blue- and red-shifted lobes of the jet(s), respectively. The arrows in other panels indicate the direction of the velocity gradient, as determined from a linear fit of the mean velocity within $2''$ of the continuum peak position. The gray sectors around each arrow show the 1σ uncertainty on the direction of the velocity gradient. The ellipse in each panel shows the synthesized beam. All coordinates are relative to the positions of the brightest continuum peak of each source (see Table 1).

barrier, where the transition between the rotating and infalling envelope and the disk is expected to occur. ? used ALMA cycle 0 observations of the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line emission to study the envelope or disk kinematics. They find a rotation profile of $v \propto r^{-1.2}$ from the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line down to 50 au scales but suggest a possible transition to Keplerian rotation at smaller scales. Using ALMA cycle 1 observations, ? have recently confirmed Keplerian rotation at $r < 56$ au. The disk of L1527 is nearly edge-on (??).

The bottom row of Fig. 1 shows the 1.4 mm continuum emission map together with the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1) and SO (5₆ – 4₅) zeroth and first-order moment maps in L1527. The

continuum emission is resolved spatially, and it appears to be slightly elongated along a north-south axis. The ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) line emissions are all well detected and are spatially coincident with the continuum emission. The C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission is more extended than the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) emission. The ^{13}CO (2 – 1) is more extended than the SO (5₆ – 4₅) emission. The emission of each line is extended along a north-south axis and has a well-defined velocity gradient. For all lines, the gradients are oriented along an axis roughly orthogonal to the red-shifted lobe of the jet, with $\Delta\theta$ of 5° , 36° , and 12° for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1) and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines, respectively.

Table 2. Results of linear fit of the mean velocity for each line.

Source	Line	G ($\text{km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^{-1}$)	v_0 (km s^{-1})	θ ($^\circ$)	$\Delta\theta$ ($^\circ$)
L1448-2A	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	465 ± 58	4.18 ± 0.07	115 ± 7	65
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	210 ± 15	4.23 ± 0.02	113 ± 5	63
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
L1448-NB	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	863 ± 111	4.97 ± 0.15	59 ± 7	49
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	453 ± 42	4.85 ± 0.06	44 ± 5	34
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
L1448-C	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	526 ± 133	4.97 ± 0.11	-150 ± 15	43
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	279 ± 35	5.09 ± 0.04	-111 ± 6	4
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
NGC1333-IRAS2A	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	968 ± 205	5.07 ± 0.13	-29 ± 12	36
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	358 ± 23	7.52 ± 0.03	60 ± 4	55
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	1033 ± 70	6.86 ± 0.06	-1 ± 6	64
SVS13B	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	...	...	...	...
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	161 ± 30	8.48 ± 0.02	92 ± 9	15
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
NGC1333-IRAS4A	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	769 ± 125	6.21 ± 0.13	17 ± 6	73
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	116 ± 38	6.26 ± 0.03	-36 ± 19	54
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	373 ± 126	0.67 ± 0.18	-145 ± 18	55
NGC1333-IRAS4B	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	206 ± 27	6.28 ± 0.05	-7 ± 19	84
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	70 ± 10	6.81 ± 0.01	-79 ± 6	24
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	4093 ± 447	6.75 ± 0.26	74 ± 6	3
IRAM04191	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	182 ± 153	7.74 ± 0.05	-119 ± 49	49
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	...	...	...	...
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
L1527	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	1670 ± 244	5.58 ± 0.13	5 ± 10	5
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	671 ± 98	5.71 ± 0.06	36 ± 10	36
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	1816 ± 152	6.05 ± 0.04	12 ± 7	12
SerpM-S68N	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	674 ± 79	8.69 ± 0.19	132 ± 7	87
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	27 ± 52	9.19 ± 0.05	174 ± 90	51
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
SerpS-MM18	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	675 ± 194	4.50 ± 0.25	-159 ± 26	77
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	362 ± 19	8.06 ± 0.03	-42 ± 3	40
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	2586 ± 255	4.39 ± 0.34	-87 ± 3	5
SerpS-MM22	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	97 ± 97	5.78 ± 0.14	35 ± 61	75
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	56 ± 33	6.23 ± 0.05	-95 ± 34	55
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
L1157	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	205 ± 40	2.27 ± 0.05	-25 ± 15	82
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	59 ± 13	2.62 ± 0.02	-45 ± 13	62
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...
GF9-2	$^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$	550 ± 53	-2.98 ± 0.04	-179 ± 5	89
	$\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$	...	...	...	...
	$\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$	...	...	...	...

Notes. G , v_0 and θ are the gradient amplitude, mean velocity on the source continuum peak position, and gradient position angle (from the north to the east), respectively. $\Delta\theta$ is the difference between θ and the direction perpendicular to the jet. Missing values correspond to lines with insufficient signal-to-noise ratio to fit a gradient. L1521F and SerpM-SMM4 are not included in this Table, because no velocity gradient could be fitted for any of the observed lines.

The orientation of the gradients suggests that these lines probe the rotation of the envelope or the disk. To better quantify this rotation, we build a rotation curve from each line. Because the size of $\text{SO} (5_6-4_5)$ emission is only slightly larger than the size of the synthesized beam, we construct the rotation curves from the measured visibilities rather than the image cubes or the PV diagrams (as done, e.g., by ?). This technique, which was also used by ? in their study of HH212 (see also ?), allows us to constrain the velocity curve at scales smaller than the synthe-

sized beam and it is also insensitive to potential deconvolution artifacts. A test of the robustness of this technique in recovering accurate velocity profiles is presented in Appendix D. In practice, we fit the position of the line emission in the uv plane with a circular Gaussian⁷. Because we are interested in the disk emis-

⁷ We also tried to fit the visibilities in each channel with an elliptical Gaussian and the fitted positions were found to be in good agreement with those obtained with a circular Gaussian fit.

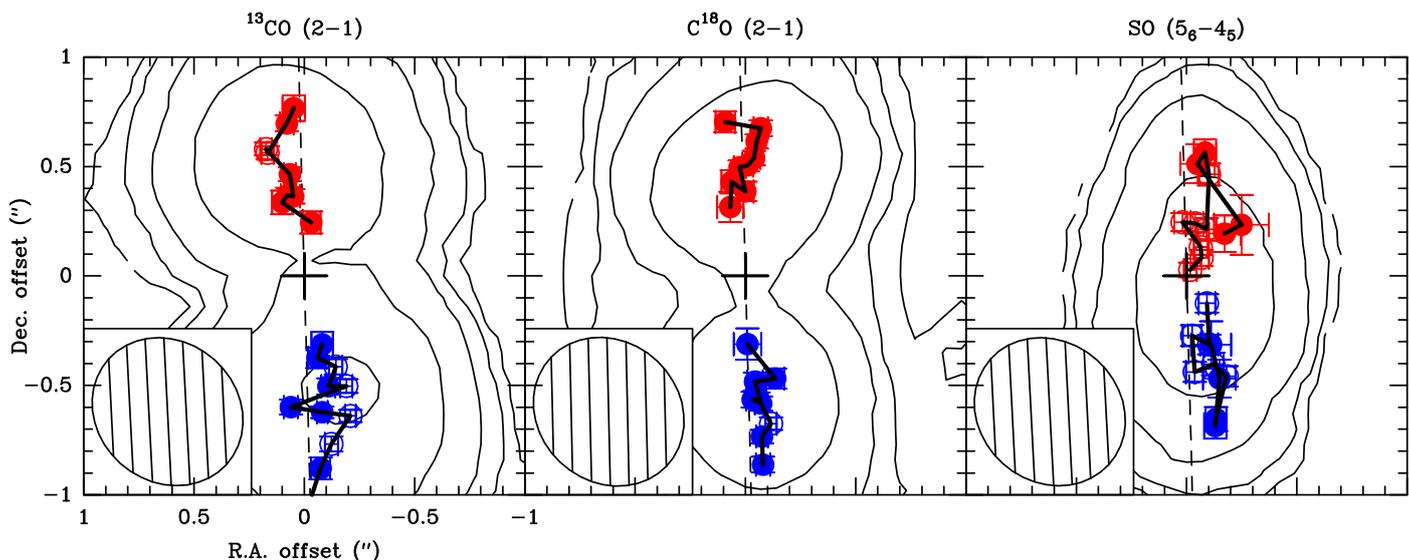


Fig. 2. Results of the fits in the uv plane for each spectral channel (circles with error bars) superimposed on zeroth-order moment map (black contours) in L1527 for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) (left panel), C^{18}O (2 – 1) (middle panel), and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) (right panel) lines. Contours are drawn at 3σ , 6σ , 12σ , and so on. Blue and red points show the centroid positions of the blue-shifted and red-shifted channels, respectively. Only filled points are considered when constructing the velocity curves; open points are ignored. The thick black lines connect the centroids that correspond to adjacent velocity channels. Black crosses show the position of the continuum peak, while the dashed line shows the assumed disk major axis.

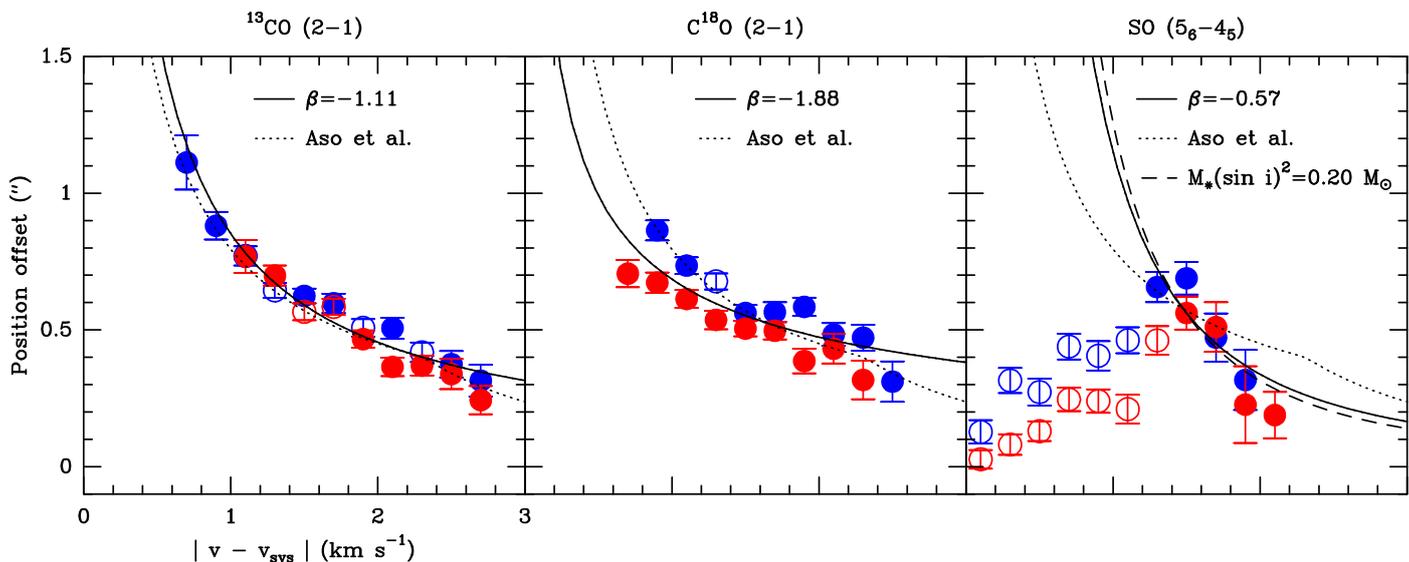


Fig. 3. Position offset derived in the uv plane along the disk major axis as a function of the velocity channel in L1527 for ^{13}CO (2 – 1) (left panel) C^{18}O (2 – 1) (middle panel) and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) (right panel). In each panel the blue and red points with the error bars show the observations, the solid line shows the result of a power-law fit. The dashed line in the right panel shows the result of a fit with a Keplerian law with $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.20 M_\odot$. Only filled points are considered in the power-law and Keplerian fits. The dotted lines show the velocity fit from ?.

sion rather than the emission of the envelope or the outflow, we ignore channels where the FWHM emission size is greater than $2''$ and channels with a centroid position that is farther away than $1.5''$ from the continuum peak. In addition, we ignore channels with centroid positions that are not along the assumed disk major axis, within 3σ . For this source, we assume a disk major axis PA of 1.5° (?).

Figure 2 shows for each line the centroid position in each channel, together with the zeroth-order moment map. We see that the centroid positions for each line are relatively well aligned with the assumed disk major axis. The velocity gradient is also apparent in this figure: for all lines, the centroids of the blue-shifted channels are located south of the continuum peak position, while the centroids of the red-shifted channels are lo-

cated north of it. To determine the rotation curves for each line, we compute the offset from the source center by projecting the centroid position in each channel onto the assumed disk axis. Figure 3 shows the position offset as a function of the absolute value of the velocity difference from the systemic velocity v_{sys} . For the latter, we adopt the same value as ?, i.e., 5.9 km s^{-1} . In this figure, we see that for both the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) lines, the position offset from the continuum peak decreases while $|v - v_{\text{sys}}|$ increases, indicating that the gas probed by these lines rotates faster as it gets closer to the continuum peak. The SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) line shows the same trend for high-velocity channels. For low-velocity channels, the position offset increases roughly linearly as $|v - v_{\text{sys}}|$ increases, as also observed by ?.

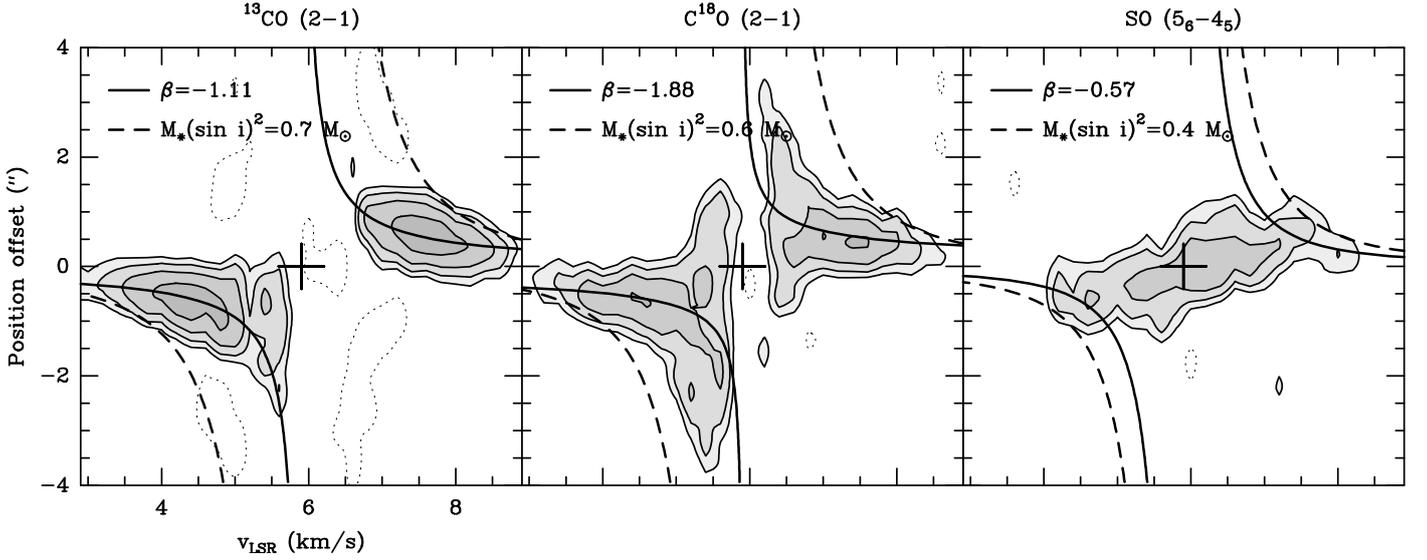


Fig. 4. Position velocity cuts in the image plane through the L1527 continuum peak along the assumed disk major axis for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) (left panel), C^{18}O (2 – 1) (middle panel), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) (right panel) lines. Contours are drawn at -3σ , 3σ , 6σ , 12σ and so on. Black crosses correspond to the continuum peak. Black solid curves show the results of the velocity fit in the uv plane with a power-law function. Dashed lines show the result of the fit of the 6σ contours with a Keplerian law with $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.7 M_\odot$, $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.6 M_\odot$, and $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.4 M_\odot$ for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines, respectively.

Table 3. Results of the rotation curve fits for the disk candidates.

Source	PA ^a (°)	v_{sys}^b (km s ⁻¹)	Line	$v_{200\text{au}}$ (km s ⁻¹)	β	χ_v^{2c}
L1448-NB	29.5	4.5	^{13}CO (2 – 1)	1.35 ± 0.53	-1.25 ± 1.48	0.38
			C^{18}O (2 – 1)	1.66 ± 0.11	-1.15 ± 0.20	0.05
L1448-C	-107	5.2	^{13}CO (2 – 1)	0.88 ± 0.76	-0.44 ± 0.75	... ^d
			C^{18}O (2 – 1)	0.62 ± 0.03	-0.67 ± 0.09	1.11
IRAS2A	107	7.5	C^{18}O (2 – 1)	1.16 ± 0.04	-0.18 ± 0.09	... ^d
SVS13B	77	8.4	C^{18}O (2 – 1)	0.42 ± 0.07	-0.49 ± 0.28	... ^d
IRAS4B	-103	6.7	C^{18}O (2 – 1)	0.40 ± 0.12	-2.09 ± 1.78	... ^d
L1527	1.5	5.9	^{13}CO (2 – 1)	0.56 ± 0.04	-1.11 ± 0.07	1.77
			C^{18}O (2 – 1)	0.25 ± 0.04	-1.88 ± 0.17	3.92
			SO (5 ₆ – 4 ₅)	0.88 ± 0.10	-0.57 ± 0.12	1.64
SerpS-MM18	82	7.9	C^{18}O (2 – 1)	... ^e	...	...

Notes. ^(a) Assumed disk major axis position angle for the fit. ^(b) Assumed disk systemic velocity (in the LSR). ^(c) Reduced χ^2 . ^(d) χ_v^2 is undefined because the fit is based on only two points. ^(e) No velocity curve could be fitted (see Appendix C).

Then, we fit the velocities as a function of position with a power-law:

$$v(r) - v_{\text{sys}} = v_{200\text{au}} \left(\frac{p d}{200 \text{ au}} \right)^\beta, \quad (4)$$

where p is the position offset in arcseconds (counted as positive on the red-shifted side of the emission, and as negative on the other side), d is the source distance in pc, β is the power-law exponent, and $v_{200\text{au}}$ is the projected velocity at 200 au from the center. Both β and $v_{200\text{au}}$ are left as free parameters. For the SO (5₆ – 4₅) fit, we ignore channels between 4.8 and 7.2 km s⁻¹ because, as mentioned above, the low-velocity channels cannot be fitted with the same velocity curve as the high-velocity channels.

The best-fit results are shown as solid lines in Fig. 3. The best-fit values of $v_{200\text{au}}$ and β , and the reduced χ^2 , are given in

Table 3. The best-fit value of β is -1.11 ± 0.07 , -1.88 ± 0.17 , and -0.57 ± 0.12 for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines, respectively. Therefore, the velocity curve we derive from the SO (5₆ – 4₅) line emission is consistent with Keplerian rotation ($\beta = -0.5$). Fitting the SO (5₆ – 4₅) position in each channel with a Keplerian law:

$$v(r) - v_{\text{sys}} = \sqrt{G M_\star} \sin i (p d)^{-0.5}, \quad (5)$$

where G is the gravitational constant, M_\star is the central mass and i is the disk inclination, we obtain $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.20 \pm 0.01 M_\odot$.

In Fig. 3, we also show the velocity curve obtained by ? from C^{18}O (2 – 1) observations. These authors derive a power-law exponent of -0.50 at radii smaller than 56 au, and -1.22 beyond. The double power-law agrees well with our ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) observations. However, our SO (5₆ – 4₅) observations are better reproduced with a single power law or a Keplerian law

for a central mass of $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.20 M_\odot$. The lowest velocity channel that is consistent with the Keplerian velocity curve is at a position offset of about $0.65''$, that is, a radius of 90 au.

In Fig. 4, we show position-velocity (PV) cuts through the position of the L1527 continuum peak along the assumed disk axis, for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines. The PV diagrams for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) lines indicate both infall and rotation (see, e.g., ?). On the other hand, the PV diagram for the SO (5₆ – 4₅) is consistent with rotation alone. On these diagrams, we also show the power-law velocity curves we obtain for each of these lines with a fit in the uv plane. We see that the velocity curves provide a good fit to the emission peak in each velocity channel. For each diagram, we also plot the outermost Keplerian curve that is tangential to the first emission contour, with a 6σ threshold⁸ (see ??, for a justification of the method). We obtain $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.7 M_\odot$, $0.6 M_\odot$ and $0.4 M_\odot$ for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines, respectively.

To summarize our findings for this source, we find evidence for Keplerian rotation, but with the SO (5₆ – 4₅) line only. Both the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) line emission appear to be dominated by the rotation and infall of the envelope. Keplerian rotation is observed with the SO (5₆ – 4₅) line at $r \leq 90$ au. As discussed in Appendix D, a Keplerian fit in the uv plane gives a lower limit on the mass M_\star of the central object, while a fit of the first contours in PV diagrams gives an upper limit. By combining these two techniques and assuming a disk inclination of 85° (?), we obtain $M_\star (\sin i)^2 \simeq M_\star = 0.2 - 0.4 M_\odot$.

3.2.2. L1448-NB

L1448-NB (also known as L1448-IRS3B and Per-emb-33) is a Class 0 protostar (?) located in the L1448-N complex in Perseus, at a distance of 293 pc (?). This source is a triple system, composed of L1448-NB1 (Per-emb-33 A) and a close binary, L1448-NB2. These two are separated by 260 au ($0.9''$; ???). The two components of the binary (Per-emb-33 B and Per-emb-33 C) are separated by 80 au ($0.26''$; ?) and they are unresolved with our observations. The internal luminosity of the triple system is $3.9 L_\odot$ (Ladejate et al. in prep.) and it is surrounded by a $4.8 M_\odot$ envelope (?). The jet position angle is -80° (Podio et al. in prep). ? observed a large velocity gradient in this source orthogonal to the jet. They attribute this gradient to rotational and infall motions and derive a centrifugal radius between 410 and 900 au, that is, 1.4 and $3''$. Recent ALMA 1.3 mm continuum observations have suggested the presence of one or two spiral arms that appear to originate from NB2 and extend to NB1 (?). The same authors observed a rotation pattern in the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line emission that they interpret as Keplerian rotation of a disk around NB2, implying a central stellar mass⁹ of $\sim 1 M_\odot$. In their scenario, NB1 would be the result of the gravitational fragmentation of the disk. However, ? find no evidence of continuum emission tracing a disk centered on NB2, and they suggest that the spiral structures observed by ? trace tidal arms due to the gravitational interaction between the two components of the binary.

First-order moment maps of the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1), and SO (5₆ – 4₅) emission in L1448-NB are shown in Fig. 1. Both the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) line emissions are cen-

tered around NB2 and are elongated approximately along an axis orthogonal to the jet direction, with a well-defined velocity gradient. No SO (5₆ – 4₅) emission is detected in this source at a 3σ level. Fitting the first-order moment maps, we measure a gradient PA of $(59 \pm 7)^\circ$ and $(44 \pm 5)^\circ$ for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), and C^{18}O (2 – 1) lines respectively. These correspond to angles with respect to the direction perpendicular to the jet of 49° and 34° , respectively.

Figure 5 shows the centroid positions in each velocity channel, together with the zeroth-order moment maps for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and C^{18}O (2 – 1) lines. In this figure, we also show the disk orientation measured by ?, PA = 29.5° . The disk is assumed to be centered on NB2 because the line emission is centered on this source. The centroids of the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) line are not aligned with the assumed disk axis, probably because of contamination by the outflow. On the contrary, the C^{18}O (2 – 1) centroids are located close to the disk axis. The corresponding rotation curves are shown in Fig. 6. To build the rotation curves, we adopt a systemic velocity¹⁰ of 4.5 km s^{-1} . The best-fit parameters for the rotation curve are given in Table 3. We find that the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) emission is best fitted with $\beta = -1.25 \pm 1.48$. This fit is uncertain because it is based on four channels only; other channels (marked with open symbols in Fig. 5 and 6) are not considered in the fit because their centroids are not aligned with the assumed disk axis. Using the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line emission, we find a best-fit $\beta = -1.15 \pm 0.20$ for position offsets greater than $\sim 0.6''$, that is, $r > 175$ au.

PV diagrams along the assumed disk axis are shown in Fig. 7. The PV diagram for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) emission has a low signal-to-noise ratio and, therefore, it is difficult to interpret. The PV diagram for the C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission has a higher signal-to-noise ratio and it is consistent with rotation alone (i.e., with no infall). Fitting the first contour of the C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission with a Keplerian curve, we find $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.8 M_\odot$, i.e., $M_\star = 1.4 M_\odot$, assuming $i = 45.4^\circ$ (?). We note that the curve fits the first contour of red-shifted C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission quite well, but not that of the blue-shifted emission.

To summarize, we find no evidence of Keplerian rotation in this source. Instead, the rotation profile derived from the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line is consistent with $\beta = 1$ for $r > 175$ au. We conclude that if a Keplerian disk is present in this source, its radius is smaller than 175 au.

3.2.3. L1448-C

L1448-C (also known as L1448-mm or Per-emb-26) is another Class 0 protostar (?) located in the L1448-N complex in Perseus. This source is a multiple system, but with a large separation: its companion, L1448-C S (Per-emb-42), is located $8''$ to the south-east (???). L1448-C itself appears as a single source at scales down to 50 au (?). Its internal luminosity is $10.9 L_\odot$ and its envelope mass is $2.0 M_\odot$ (Ladejate et al. in prep; ?). L1448-C drives a prominent outflow with multiple high-velocity knots seen in CO, SO and H_2O lines (?). The blue-shifted lobe of the jet has a position angle of -17° (Podio et al. in prep) and an inclination with respect to the plane of the sky of 21° (?). From CARMA 1.3 mm observations, ? find that the L1448-C continuum is elongated along a direction perpendicular to the jet, perhaps indica-

⁸ For a 3σ threshold, we obtain slightly larger masses ($\sim 30\%$): $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.9 M_\odot$, $0.8 M_\odot$ and $0.5 M_\odot$ for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1) and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines, respectively.

⁹ ? assumed a distance of 235 pc (?). For the distance adopted here (293 pc), the central stellar mass is $\sim 1.2 M_\odot$.

¹⁰ The choice of the systemic velocity is justified a posteriori by the red and blue points in the right panel of Fig. 6, which are consistent with a single rotation curve. If the assumed systemic velocity were incorrect, the blue and red points would not overlap, and they could not be fitted with a rotation curve.

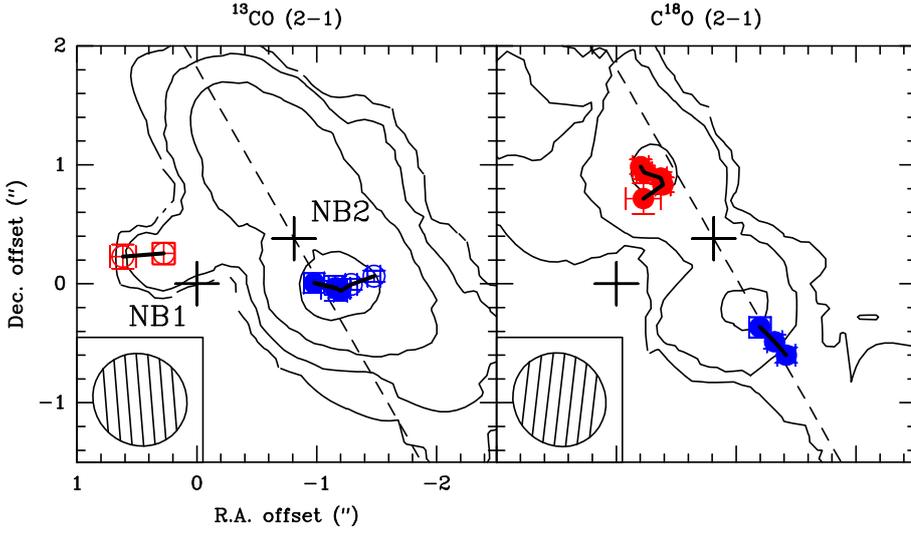


Fig. 5. Same as in Fig. 2 for L1448-NB. Black crosses show the positions of the NB1 and NB2 continuum peaks.

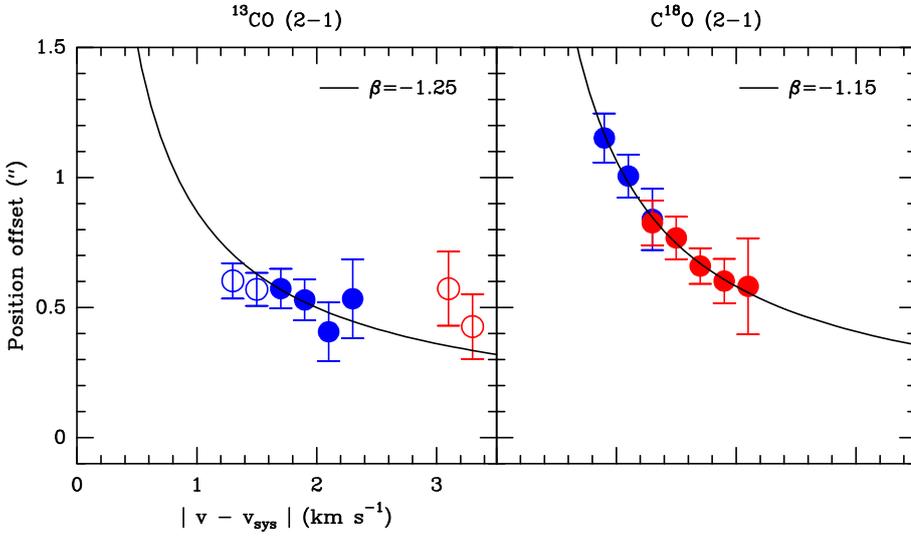


Fig. 6. Same as in Fig. 3 for L1448-NB. The reference position is NB2.

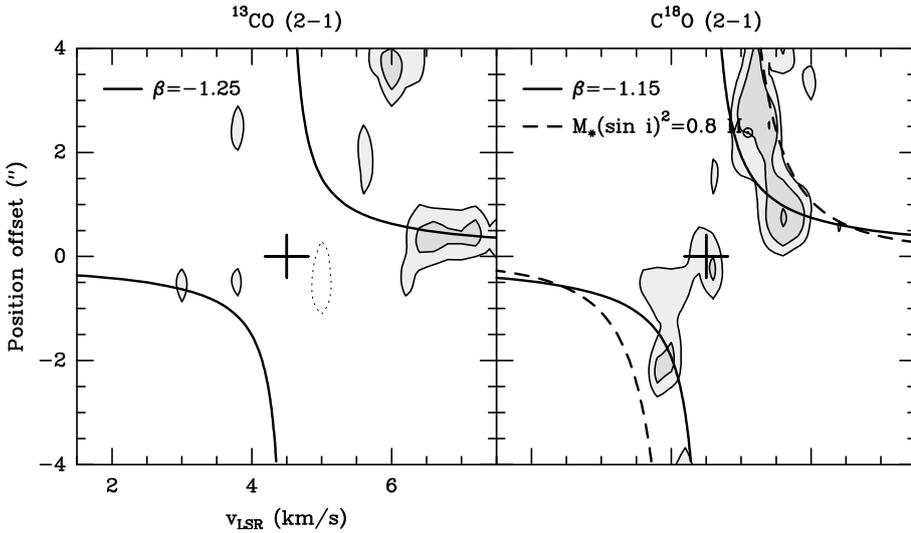


Fig. 7. Same as in Fig. 4 for L1448-NB. Dashed curve shows a Keplerian curve for $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 0.8 M_\odot$. The reference position is NB2.

tive of a disk-like structure. ?? measure a velocity gradient with a PA of 200° , dominated by the outflow component. Fitting only the component perpendicular to the jet, they find that the rotation profile was consistent with rotation with conservation of the angular momentum and they derive a centrifugal radius of 170-200 au.

In our maps, both the $^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$ and $\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$ line emissions are extended along an axis close to the normal direction of the jet (see Fig. 1). No $\text{SO} (5_6 - 4_5)$ emission is detected in the observed velocity range. Clear velocity gradients are observed in $^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$ and $\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$ line mean velocity maps, and the fitted PA are $(-150 \pm 15)^\circ$ and $(-111 \pm 6)^\circ$ for the $^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$

and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) lines, respectively. The corresponding values of $\Delta\theta$ are 43 and 4° for the ¹³CO (2 – 1) and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) lines, respectively.

The results of the uv fit for these two lines are shown in Fig. 8, and the corresponding rotation curves are shown in Fig. 9. Here we use a systemic velocity¹¹ of 5.2 km s⁻¹ and a disk position angle of -107°, meaning that it is orthogonal to the jet axis. For the ¹³CO (2 – 1) emission, we measure the centroid positions only in a few blue-shifted channels; red-shifted channels are contaminated by the outflow emission. Only two channels have centroids that are located along the disk axis. For the C¹⁸O (2 – 1) emission, we measure the centroid positions of 9 channels, but several blue-shifted channels have centroids that are not aligned with the disk axis. For the ¹³CO (2 – 1) emission, we find that the best-fit β value is -0.44 ± 0.75 , while for the C¹⁸O (2 – 1), we find $\beta = -0.67 \pm 0.09$. Both rotation curves are consistent with Keplerian rotation, but the uncertainty on the β index for the ¹³CO (2 – 1) line is quite large because the fit is based on two channels only. The rotation curve we derive with the C¹⁸O (2 – 1) line is much better constrained, and the best-fit value of β is close to the value expected for Keplerian rotation (-0.5). From a fit with a Keplerian law, we obtain $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.15 \pm 0.03 M_\odot$ and $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.09 \pm 0.01 M_\odot$ for the ¹³CO (2 – 1) and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) rotation curves, respectively.

Figure 10 shows the PV diagrams along the assumed disk axis. Both diagrams are consistent with rotation alone. Fitting the first emission contour with a Keplerian law, we obtain $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.6 M_\odot$ and $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.3 M_\odot$ for the ¹³CO (2 – 1) and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) lines, respectively.

To summarize our finding for this source, we derive a velocity curve with the C¹⁸O (2 – 1) line that is close to Keplerian rotation. The velocity profile we derive with the ¹³CO (2 – 1) line is also consistent with Keplerian rotation, but it has a large uncertainty. Keplerian rotation is observed with the C¹⁸O (2 – 1) line at $r < 0.7''$, that is, < 200 au. Combining the central mass obtained from the fit in the uv plane and from the PV diagram of the C¹⁸O (2 – 1) line, we find $M_\star (\sin i)^2 \simeq M_\star = 0.1 - 0.3 M_\odot$. Assuming that the disk has the same inclination as the jet ($i = 21^\circ$?), this gives $M_\star = 0.8 - 2.3 M_\odot$.

4. Discussion

4.1. Evidence for disks in the CALYPSO sample

Our observations and analysis show that about half of the protostars of our sample (7 out of 16) have velocity gradients oriented close to the normal direction of the jet axis, at a few hundred au scales. These gradients are interpreted as rotation of the envelope or the disk about the jet axis. Among these sources, we detect Keplerian rotation in two sources, L1527 and L1448-C. In a third source, SVS13B, the rotation curve we derive is also consistent with Keplerian rotation, but as noted in Appendix C, the rotation curve for this source is very uncertain and we do not discuss it further. In L1527 and L1448-C, we estimate Keplerian radii of 90 and 200 au, and central object masses of 0.2 – 0.4 and 0.8 – 2.3 M_⊙, respectively.

Our results are summarized in Table 4. In this Table we also report the results from ?, who have recently used CALYPSO observations of the continuum emission at 93 GHz and 230 GHz to determine if disk-like structures are present in Class 0 protostars of the sample. For this, they have modeled the visibilities

¹¹ The systemic velocity is estimated from the ¹³CO (2 – 1) and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) PV diagrams (see Fig. 10) which are centered around 5.2 km s⁻¹.

with a Plummer-like envelope density profile and an additional Gaussian component to mimic the disk emission. They find that a Gaussian component is needed in 12 protostars of the sample, but these disk-like components are spatially resolved in only six of these. The FWHM size of resolved disk-like components varies between 50 and 300 au. We also report the results from ? (subm.) who have studied the specific angular momentum profile in CALYPSO protostellar envelopes using N₂H⁺ (1-0) and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) line observations. They find that the specific angular momentum at scales between 50 and 1200 au is conserved in eight protostars. In these protostars, the mean value of the specific angular momentum at scales < 100 au (noted as $< j_{100 \text{ au}} >$) is $(2 - 16) \times 10^{-4}$ km s⁻¹ pc.

As seen in Table 4, all sources with a velocity gradient orthogonal to the jet also exhibit disk-like continuum components, except L1448-NB. However, this source is a binary and it is embedded in a 200 au circumbinary structure (?). All the sources in which we detect a velocity gradient orthogonal to the jet also have a constant specific angular momentum between 50 and 1200 au, with the exception of SerpS-MM18. Interestingly, L1527 and L1448-C, where we detect Keplerian rotation, are also among the sources with the highest $< j_{100 \text{ au}} >$ values. The only source with a higher $< j_{100 \text{ au}} >$ value than L1527 and L1448-C is L1448-NB, but as has already been mentioned, this source is peculiar. The Keplerian radii we derive here for L1527 and L1448-C are, respectively, ~ 2 and ~ 4 times larger than the compact continuum sources measured by ?. As discussed by ?, their analysis of the continuum emission is sensitive to deviation from the protostar envelope density profile, which is presumably due to the disk. Our results suggest that the gaseous disk may extend further away than the compact continuum emission. Indeed, protoplanetary disks around Class II protostars are also larger in gas emission than in millimeter continuum emission (by a factor 2 on average; ?).

4.2. Rotation curves of L1527, L1448-C and L1448-NB

In L1527, we detect Keplerian rotation with the SO (5₆ – 4₅) line only. Both the ¹³CO (2 – 1) and C¹⁸O (2 – 1) lines indicate steeper velocity profiles, with $\beta = -1.1 \pm 0.1$ and $\beta = -1.9 \pm 0.2$, respectively. The velocity profiles we obtain with these two lines are in reasonable agreement with ?, who derived a $\beta = -1.22$ at radii larger than 56 au (0.4'') and $\beta = -0.5$ at a smaller radius. Although the sensitivity and the spatial resolution of our observations are not sufficient to detect the ‘‘kink’’ in the velocity profile at 56 au, our observations are consistent with it, as seen in Fig. 3. ? interpreted this kink as a transition region between the infalling envelope and the Keplerian disk at $r = 74$ au¹². Our observations and analysis of the SO (5₆ – 4₅) emission show that Keplerian rotation extends up to 0.7'' from the continuum peak, that is, $r \sim 100$ au (see Fig. 3). ? studied the kinematics of L1527 using C₃H₂ and SO (5₆ – 4₅) line observations. From this analysis, they estimate that the radius of the centrifugal barrier¹³ is 100 au. The Keplerian radius we derive from our SO (5₆ – 4₅) observations and analysis is in agreement with this value. ? and ? argue that the SO (5₆ – 4₅) emission originates in a ring at the position of the centrifugal barrier. However, observations at

¹² The difference between the apparent position of the kink and the Keplerian disk radius is due to the limited angular resolution and the close to edge-on geometry, which makes the kink to appear closer to the central object than the actual Keplerian disk radius (?).

¹³ The radius of the centrifugal barrier is half the centrifugal radius (?).

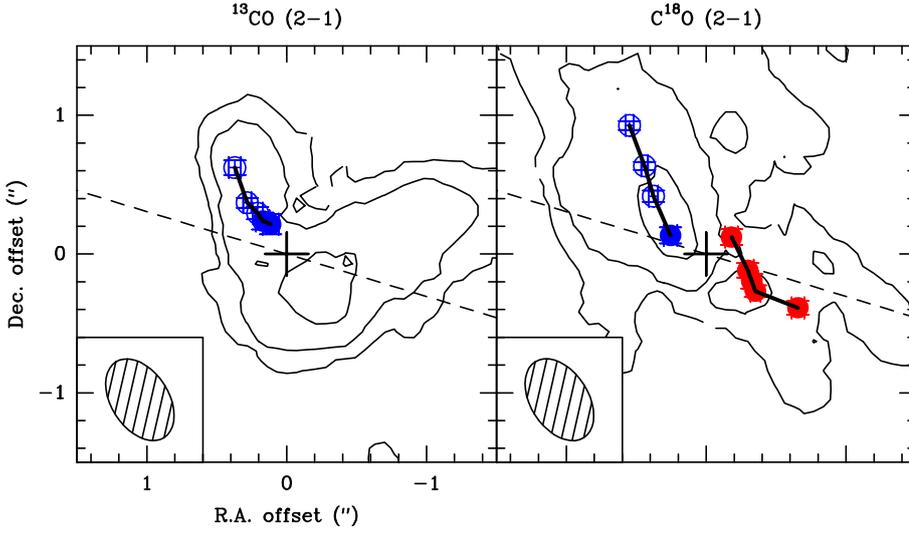


Fig. 8. Same as in Fig. 2 for L1448-C.

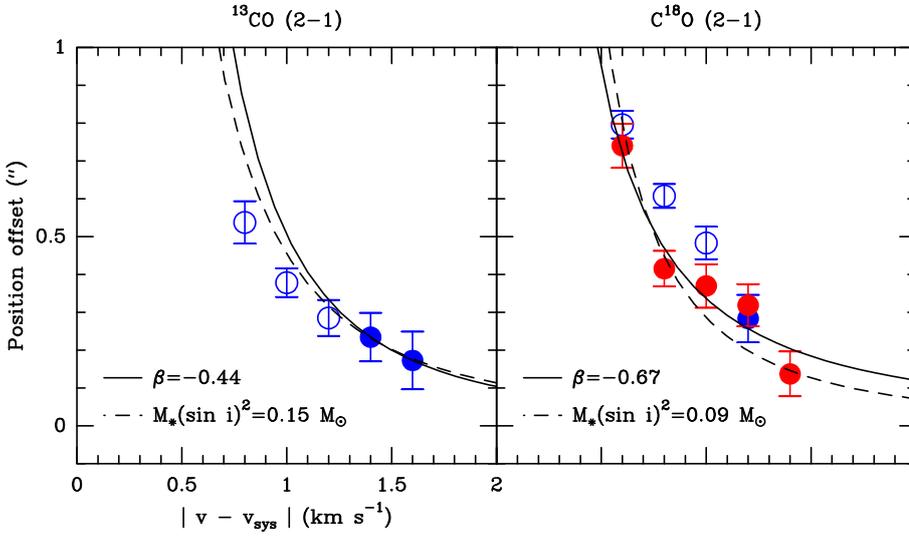


Fig. 9. Same as in Fig. 3 for L1448-C. The dashed lines show the result of a Keplerian fit with $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 0.15 M_\odot$ and $0.09 M_\odot$ for the $^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$ and $\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$ lines, respectively.

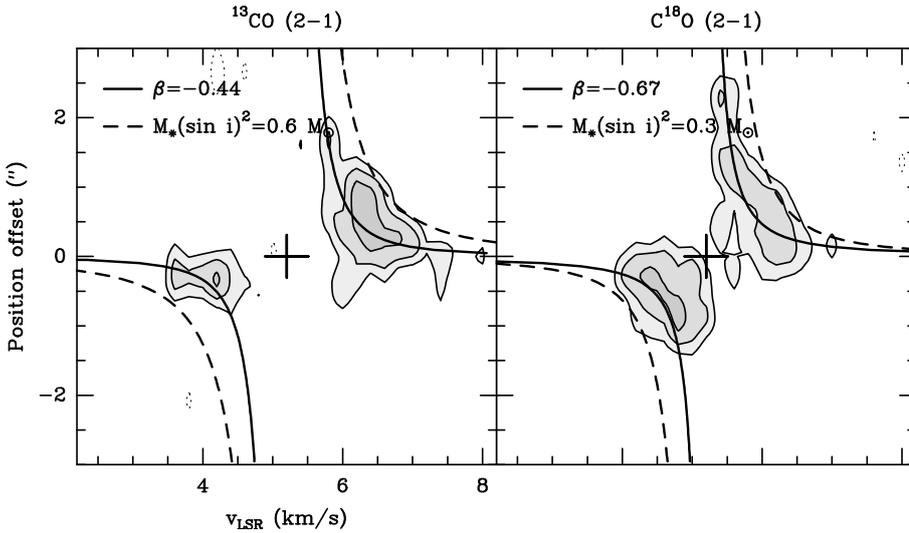


Fig. 10. Same as in Fig. 4 for L1448-C. The dashed curves show Keplerian velocity profiles with $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 0.6 M_\odot$ and $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 0.3 M_\odot$ for the $^{13}\text{CO} (2-1)$ and $\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$ lines, respectively.

higher angular resolution show that SO is also present inside the centrifugal barrier (?).

A possible explanation for the differences between the disk radius derived by ? from $\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$ line observations and the radius we derive from SO (5_6-4_5) line observations is the differ-

ent spatial resolution of the observations. The synthesized beam size of the $\text{C}^{18}\text{O} (2-1)$ line observations of ? is $0.50'' \times 0.40''$, while the synthesized beam size of our SO (5_6-4_5) observations is $0.72'' \times 0.64''$. In principle, if the SO (5_6-4_5) line was not sufficiently resolved spatially, the transition between the two power-

Table 4. Overview of evidence of the presence of disks in the CALYPSO sample of Class 0 objects.

Source	Cont. emission ^d		Ang. momentum ^b		Kinematics on small scales ^c			
	Compact cont. source ^d	Cont. size ^e (au)	Const. j^f	$\langle j_{100 \text{ au}} \rangle^g$ (10^{-4} km s ⁻¹ pc)	Grad. ^h	Kepl. rot. ⁱ	Kepl. radius ^j (au)	M_\star^k (M_\odot)
L1448-2A	✗	< 50	✓	4.5 ± 0.2	✗	...	...	...
L1448-NB	✗	< 300 ^l	✓	16.0 ± 0.4	✓	✗	< 175	...
L1448-C	✓	46 ± 15	✓	6.0 ± 0.2	✓	✓	200	0.8 – 2.3
NGC1333-IRAS2A	✓	< 62	✓	3.8 ± 0.4	✓	✗	...	...
SVS13B	✓	< 75	✓	2.5 ± 0.2	✓	✓ ^m	150	0.05 – 0.12
NGC1333-IRAS4A	✗	< 94	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
NGC1333-IRAS4B	✓	156 ± 31	✓	2.5 ± 0.3	✓	✗	...	...
IRAM04191	✓	< 60	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
L1521F	✓	< 60	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
L1527	✓	54 ± 10	✓	5.6 ± 0.1	✓	✓	90	0.2 – 0.4
SerpM-S68N	✗	< 53	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
SerpM-SMM4	✓	305 ± 42	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
SerpS-MM18	✓	< 61	✗	...	✓	✗	...	...
SerpS-MM22	✓	88 ± 14	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
L1157	✓	< 70	✗	...	✗	...	...	...
GF9-2	✓	26 ± 9	✓	3.9 ± 0.3	✗	...	...	...

Notes. ^(a) Compact continuum emission (?). ^(b) Specific angular momentum profile (? subm.). ^(c) Gas kinematics down to 50 au scales (this study). ^(d) Detection of a compact continuum component in addition to emission of the extended envelope. The ✗ and ✓ symbols indicate a non-detection and a detection, respectively. ^(e) Radius of the compact continuum component scaled to the assumed distance. ^(f) Constant specific angular momentum j at scales between 50 and 1200 au. ^(g) Mean value of the specific angular momentum at scales < 100 au, for sources in which j is constant. ^(h) Velocity gradient perpendicular to the jet, within $\pm 45^\circ$. ⁽ⁱ⁾ Detection of Keplerian rotation. ^(j) Radius of the region in Keplerian rotation. ^(k) Mass of the central object. ^(l) Upper limit derived from a model centered on NB2. There is no clear evidence for a disk-like component centered on NB2 at $\lesssim 1''$ scales (? , Table C3). ^(m) Tentative detection.

law regimes of the velocity profile could be blurred. However, we show in Appendix D that we can recover the velocity profile of a disk with a radius of 100 au at a distance of 293 pc, which corresponds to an apparent radius of $0.34''$. This is smaller than the disk radius derived by ? (74 au at 140 pc, i.e., $0.53''$). Another possible explanation is the opacity of the C¹⁸O (2–1) line. If this line is optically thick close to the systemic velocity, the Keplerian disk, which rotates faster than the envelope, would be seen only in the line wings. Closer to the source systemic velocity, the disk would be masked by the optically thick envelope. In this scenario, the change in the velocity profile at $r = 56$ au would be due to a change in the C¹⁸O (2–1) line opacity: optically thick for $|v - v_{\text{sys}}| < 2$ km s⁻¹, and optically thin for $|v - v_{\text{sys}}| \geq 2$ km s⁻¹. The SO (5₆ – 4₅) line is less affected because its critical density is higher than the critical density of the C¹⁸O (2–1) line and it is therefore excited only in the densest part of the envelope and the disk. Indeed, the opacity of the C¹⁸O (2–1) line was estimated by ? from the ¹³CO (2–1) to C¹⁸O (2–1) line intensity ratio. They find that the C¹⁸O (2–1) line is optically thick in the mid-plane (see their Fig. 2). Confirming that the change in power-law index of the velocity profile at 56 au is due to the opacity of the C¹⁸O (2–1) line would require detailed modeling of the line radiative transfer, which is beyond the scope of the present paper.

In L1448-C, we detect Keplerian rotation with the C¹⁸O (2–1) line. This is the first detection of the Keplerian disk in this source. Although the rotation curve we derive with the ¹³CO (2–1) line is consistent with Keplerian rotation, the value of the velocity profile index β derived with this line has a large uncertainty. We estimate a Keplerian radius of 200 au and a central stellar mass between 0.8 and 2.3 M_\odot . L1448-C's

disk is twice larger than L1527's disk, and the central stellar mass is also significantly higher. Unfortunately, the disk is only marginally resolved by our observations. Higher-angular resolution are needed to better characterize this disk and, in turn, to compare its properties with that of other disks around Class 0 protostars.

Although we do not detect Keplerian rotation in L1448-NB, we briefly discuss the rotation profile in this source, in which the presence of a unstable disk with a radius of ~ 400 au has recently been claimed by ?. In this source, our C¹⁸O (2–1) observations and modeling suggest a rotation profile with $\beta = -1.15 \pm 0.15$ down to $0.6''$ (175 au) from the continuum peak. The rotation profile we derive with ¹³CO (2–1) is steeper, but the line is affected by outflow emission (see Fig. 5). Our analysis suggests that the disk observed by ? is not in Keplerian rotation at $r > 175$ au, although it is possible that Keplerian rotation is present on smaller scales.

4.3. Could we have missed some of the disks?

Our observations and analysis of the gas kinematics in the CALYPSO sample reveal the presence of Keplerian disks in only two protostars, with disk radii of 90 and 200 au. Taken at face value, this suggests that Keplerian disks larger than 50 au (the typical scale probed by our observations) are present around 10–20% of the Class 0 protostars only. On the other hand, we cannot exclude that some of these protostars harbor disks with radii larger than 50 au that remain undetected in our observations. For example, Keplerian rotation is not detected in L1527 with the C¹⁸O (2–1) line at $r > 74$ au, but we detect Keplerian rotation at $r < 90$ au with the SO (5₆ – 4₅) line. We argue that this is be-

cause the $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) line emission is dominated by the envelope and it is optically thick, whereas the SO (5_6-4_5) is less affected by the envelope and it is optically thin. In some other sources, the $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) may also be too optically thick to reveal the Keplerian disk, as it is dominated by infalling gas. Unless the Keplerian disk is detected with another tracer, the disk would remain undetected. Unfortunately, in most sources the SO (5_6-4_5) line is dominated by the outflow emission, while in many others it is not detected on-source above our detection limit. Therefore, it cannot be used to constrain the envelope and disk kinematics. For this reason, we cannot exclude that more sources of our sample harbor a disk larger than 50 au.

5. Conclusions

We presented Plateau de Bure observations of the ^{13}CO ($J = 2-1$), $C^{18}O$ ($J = 2-1$) and SO ($N_j = 5_6-4_5$) line emission in a sample of 16 Class 0 protostars at sub-arcsecond resolution. These observations were used to constrain the rotation of the protostars on scales between 50 and 500 au and to search for Keplerian disks. Our conclusions are the following:

- Seven Class 0 sources out of 16 (SerpS-MM18, L1448-C, L1448-NB, L1527, NGC1333-IRAS2A, NGC1333-IRAS4B, and SVS13-B) show a velocity gradient oriented along the direction perpendicular to the jet axis (within $\pm 45^\circ$) in at least one line at a few hundred au scales. In other sources, the velocity gradients at these scales are mostly due to outflow emission.
- Among the sources with a gradient approximately orthogonal to the jet axis, we detect Keplerian rotation in only two protostars: L1527 and L1448-C. Both sources are among the sources of the sample with the largest specific angular momentum at 100 au. They are also associated with compact continuum emission.
- In L1527, we detect Keplerian rotation up to a radius of $0.7''$ from the continuum peak (~ 90 au) with the SO (5_6-4_5) line. This is larger than the radius derived by ?, 74 au from the analysis of the $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) rotation profile, but consistent with the radius of the centrifugal barrier obtained by ?? from several other molecular tracers. We argue that the difference between the disk radius derived with $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) and SO (5_6-4_5) lines could be explained by the $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) opacity, but a detailed radiative transfer model would be needed to confirm this scenario.
- In L1448-C, we detect Keplerian rotation with the ^{13}CO ($2-1$) and $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) lines up to radii of $0.7''$ (~ 200 au) from the continuum peak. This is the first detection of Keplerian rotation in this source.
- On the contrary, we do not detect Keplerian rotation in L1448-NB. Our observations and analysis of the $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) emission shows that the velocity profile is proportional to r^{-1} down to $0.5''$ (175 au) from the continuum peak.
- The detection rate of Keplerian disks in the CALYPSO sample of Class 0 objects is 10%. However, we argue that the ^{13}CO ($2-1$) and $C^{18}O$ ($2-1$) emission could be optically thick in some of the sources as it remains dominated by the envelope emission. Unless the disk is seen with the SO (5_6-4_5) line, some of the disks could remain undetected by our observations.

This study shows that large ($r > 50$ au) Keplerian disks are rare in Class 0 protostars. However, the presence of jets or outflows (Podio et al. in prep.) and disk-like dust continuum components (?) strongly suggests that Class 0 protostars have disks.

Therefore, most of these disks are smaller than 50 au, which is consistent with MHD simulations that predict radii on the order of a few tens of au (?). Finding and characterizing Keplerian disks around Class 0 protostars will require a new survey of a sample of Class 0 protostars with a spatial resolution of $0.1''$ or better. This can only be achieved by ALMA.

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Table A.1. Beam sizes and noise per channel for the ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$) line observations.

Source	Synthesized beam			Noise (mJy beam $^{-1}$)
	Major ($''$)	Minor ($''$)	PA ($^\circ$)	
L1448-2A	0.63	0.41	33	14
L1448-NB	0.80	0.76	50	19
L1448-C	0.65	0.41	32	13
NGC1333-IRAS2A	0.81	0.77	47	18
SVS13B	0.74	0.62	37	12
NGC1333-IRAS4A	0.77	0.64	37	14
NGC1333-IRAS4B	0.80	0.68	28	14
IRAM04191	0.69	0.47	33	15
L1521F	0.63	0.41	33	11
L1527	0.72	0.64	48	11
SerpM-S68N	1.11	0.56	-156	24
SerpM-SMM4	1.16	0.68	29	22
SerpS-MM18	1.17	0.66	22	23
SerpS-MM22	1.25	0.59	-161	19
L1157	0.63	0.51	-178	19
GF9-2	0.53	0.37	5	11

Table A.2. Beam sizes and noise per channel for the C^{18}O ($2 - 1$) line observations.

Source	Synthesized beam			Noise (mJy beam $^{-1}$)
	Major ($''$)	Minor ($''$)	PA ($^\circ$)	
L1448-2A	0.63	0.41	33	13
L1448-NB	0.81	0.76	38	18
L1448-C	0.65	0.41	32	13
NGC1333-IRAS2A	0.81	0.77	44	15
SVS13B	0.74	0.62	37	11
NGC1333-IRAS4A	0.77	0.64	34	14
NGC1333-IRAS4B	0.80	0.68	28	14
IRAM04191	0.69	0.47	33	14
L1521F	0.63	0.41	33	10
L1527	0.72	0.64	46	11
SerpM-S68N	1.12	0.57	-156	20
SerpM-SMM4	1.14	0.67	30	21
SerpS-MM18	1.17	0.66	22	22
SerpS-MM22	1.26	0.60	-161	18
L1157	0.64	0.51	-177	18
GF9-2	0.53	0.37	5	10

Appendix A: Synthesized beam sizes and sensitivities

Synthesized beam sizes and sensitivities for each line are given in Tables A.1, A.2, and A.3.

Appendix B: Moment maps

Figures B.1, B.2, and B.3 show zeroth-order moment and first-order moment (mean velocity) maps of the ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$), C^{18}O ($2 - 1$) and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) lines, together with the 1.4 mm continuum emission maps from Maury et al. (2019) in L1448-2A, SVS13B, NGC1333-IRAS4A, NGC1333-IRAS4B, IRAM04191, L1521F, SerpM-S68N, SerpM-SMM4, SerpS-MM18, SerpS-MM22, L1157, and GF9-2.

Table A.3. Beam sizes and noise per channel for the SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) line observations.

Source	Synthesized beam			Noise (mJy beam $^{-1}$)
	Major ($''$)	Minor ($''$)	PA ($^\circ$)	
L1448-2A	0.63	0.41	33	13
L1448-NB	0.81	0.76	39	18
L1448-C	0.65	0.41	32	13
NGC1333-IRAS2A	0.80	0.77	69	16
SVS13B	0.74	0.62	37	11
NGC1333-IRAS4A	0.77	0.64	34	15
NGC1333-IRAS4B	0.79	0.69	15	14
IRAM04191	0.69	0.47	30	14
L1521F	0.63	0.41	33	10
L1527	0.72	0.64	48	11
SerpM-S68N	1.12	0.57	-156	24
SerpM-SMM4	1.14	0.67	30	21
SerpS-MM18	1.17	0.66	22	24
SerpS-MM22	1.34	0.61	-159	18
L1157	0.64	0.51	-177	18
GF9-2	0.53	0.37	5	12

Appendix C: Other disk candidates

NGC1333-IRAS2A

NGC1333-IRAS2A (hereafter IRAS2A) is a Class 0 protostar located in the NGC1333 region, within the Perseus cloud. It is the most luminous source of our sample, with an internal luminosity of $47 L_\odot$ (Ladejate et al. in prep.). Its envelope mass is $7.9 M_\odot$ (?). The PA of the main jet is -155° (Podio et al. in prep.). A second jet originates from a few arcseconds south of IRAS2A, and has a PA of -65° (?), Podio et al. in prep.). ? studied the kinematics of the IRAS2A envelope using interferometric observations at $1''$ resolution and find that the gas kinematics is dominated by infall, with very little rotation. Using CH_3OH line observations with a $0.8''$ resolution, ? measured a small velocity gradient orthogonal to the jet axis (PA 107°). They argue that the methanol emission originates from the infalling and slowly rotating envelope around a central mass of $0.1 - 0.2 M_\odot$.

First-order moment maps for the ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$), C^{18}O ($2 - 1$), and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) lines are shown in Fig. 1. The ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$) emission peaks at the same position as the continuum peak. The mean velocity at this position is 4.5 km s^{-1} , blueshifted from the source systemic velocity ($\sim 7.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$)¹⁴. This suggests that the ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$) emission is optically thick and possibly in part filtered out by the interferometer. The mean velocity increases to $\sim 12 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ toward the north-east, in the direction of the red-shifted lobe of the jet. West of the continuum peak, the mean velocity is comparable to the systemic velocity. The C^{18}O ($2 - 1$) line also peaks close to the continuum peak and shows a velocity gradient along an east-west axis. The SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) line indicates a velocity gradient along a north-south axis and appears to probe the outflow. Fitting the first order moment maps, we measure a gradient PA of $(-29 \pm 12)^\circ$, $(60 \pm 4)^\circ$ and $(-1 \pm 6)^\circ$ for the ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$), C^{18}O ($2 - 1$) and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) lines, respectively. The corresponding values of $\Delta\theta$ are 36° , 55° , and 64° , respectively. Only the ^{13}CO ($2 - 1$) line fulfills the $\Delta\theta < 45^\circ$ criterion,

¹⁴ The P.V. diagram for the C^{18}O ($2 - 1$) emission, which appears to trace the rotation in the envelope, is peaked around $v_{\text{LSR}} = 7.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (see Fig. C.3). We therefore adopt a systemic velocity of 7.5 km s^{-1} for this source.

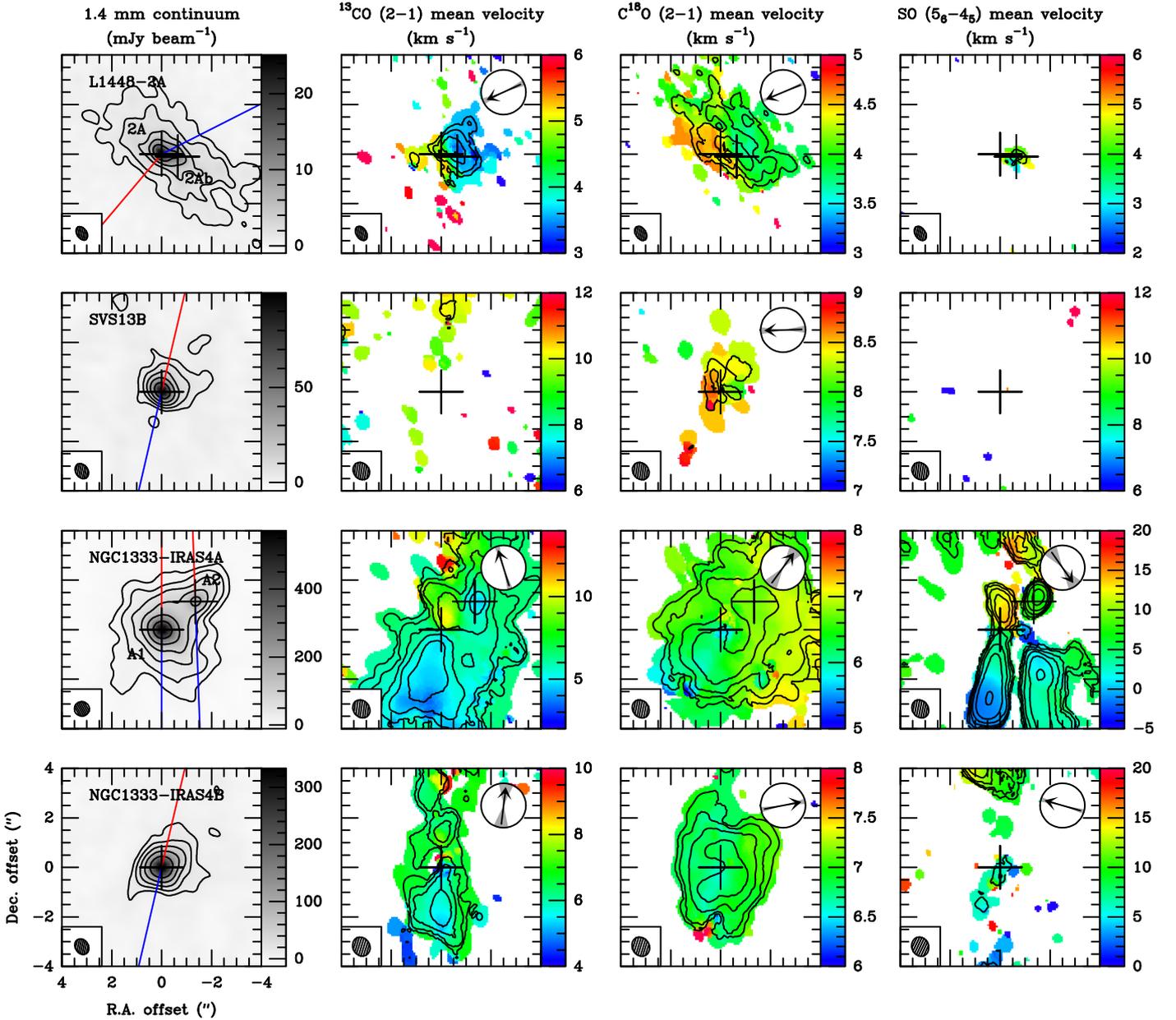


Fig. B.1. Same as in Fig. 1 for L1448-2A, SVS13B NGC1333-IRAS4A and NGC1333-IRAS4B.

and it could, in principle, probe the inner envelope or the disk. However, it is unlikely to be the case because the orientation of the gradient we measure with this line ($PA = (-29 \pm 12)^\circ$) is inconsistent with that measured by ? from CH_3OH line observations ($PA = 107^\circ$).

Figure C.1 shows the centroid positions together with the zeroth-order moment maps. For consistency with ?, we assume that the disk major axis has a $PA = 107^\circ$, slightly different from the direction orthogonal to the main jet ($PA = 115^\circ$). For the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) emission, several blue-shifted channels can be fitted, and their centroid positions are close to the continuum peak. These channels correspond to large velocities ($|v - v_{\text{sys}}| > 2 \text{ km s}^{-1}$), so it is possible that they are due to outflow emission. For the SO (5₆ – 4₅) emission, the centroids are located along the jet axis. For the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line, we can fit the position of four channels. The centroids of the two blue-shifted channels are roughly consistent with the gradient orientation measured by ?. However, the centroids of the two red-shifted channels are

not aligned with the gradient orientation. The centroids of the SO (5₆ – 4₅) line are aligned with the jet. The corresponding rotation curves are shown in Fig. C.2. We do not attempt to fit the data points for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and SO (5₆ – 4₅) line, because the emission of these two lines is most likely due to outflow emission. For the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line, we obtain a best-fit $\beta = -0.18 \pm 0.09$. However the fit is uncertain since it is based on two channels only. In Fig. C.3, we show PV diagrams obtained along the same axis. The C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission diagram is consistent with infall and rotation along this axis, in agreement with the results of ?. Fitting the first emission contour with a Keplerian law gives $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.9 M_\odot$. The diagrams for the ^{13}CO (2 – 1) and SO (5₆ – 4₅) lines indicates the presence high-velocity gas close to the central object, which is likely due to the outflow.

In summary, we find evidence for rotation and infall in this source from the C^{18}O (2 – 1) line observations. The rotation pro-

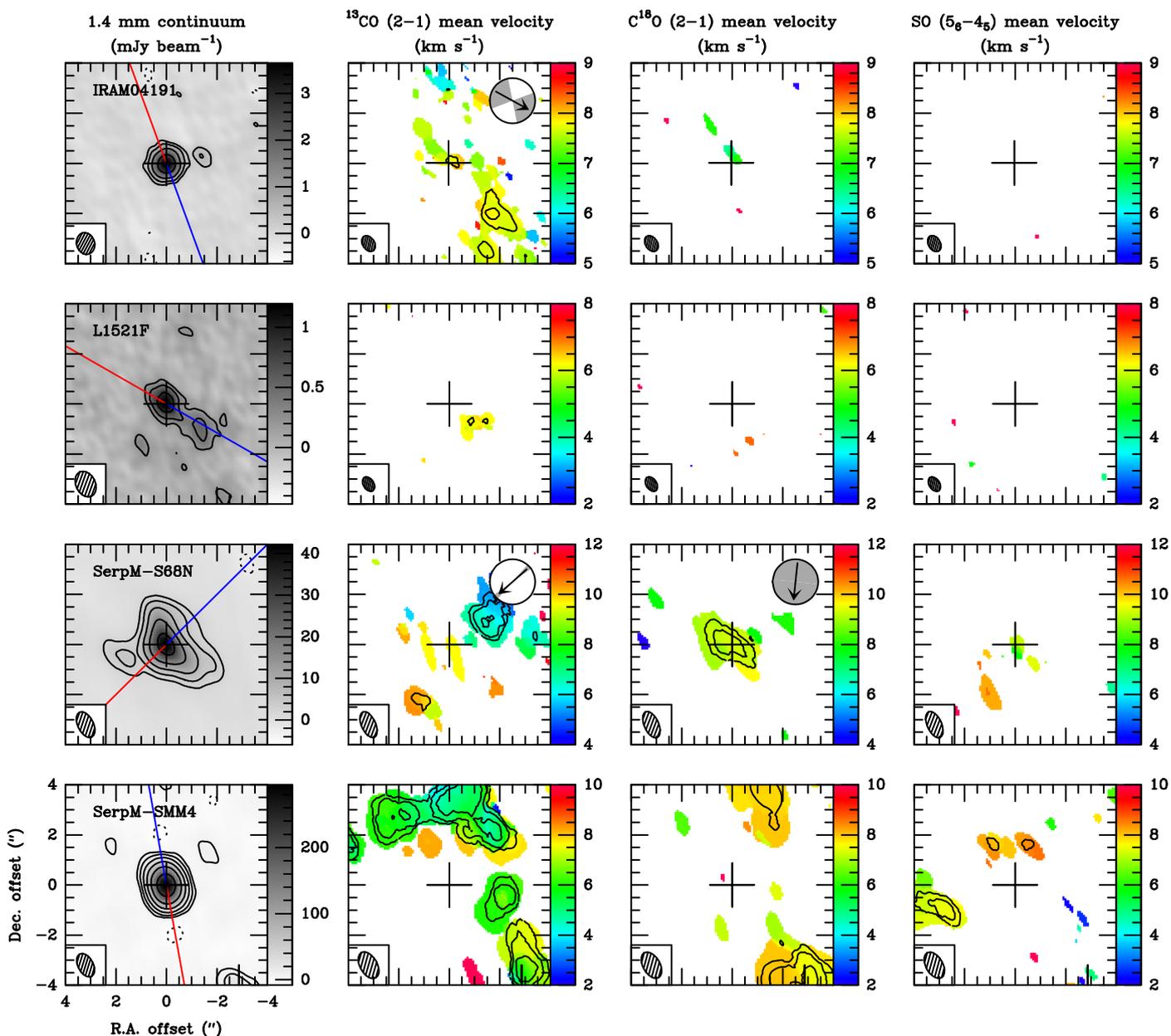


Fig. B.2. Same as in Fig. 1 for IRAM04191, L1521F, SerpM-S68N, and SerpM-SMM4.

file we derive with this line is uncertain, but it does not appear to be consistent with Keplerian rotation.

SVS13B

SVS13B is a Class 0 protostar also located in NGC1333. This source is part of a wide triple system (?). SVS13A is a Class I protostar located 4400 au ($15''$) from SVS13B, while SVS13C, a Class 0 protostar, is located 5600 au ($19''$) from SVS13B (?). The internal luminosity of SVS13B is $3 \pm 2 L_{\odot}$ (Ladejate et al. in prep.) and its envelope mass is $1.9 M_{\odot}$ (?). It drives a collimated outflow seen in high velocity SiO (?), with a PA of 167° (Podio et al. in prep.). Based on VLA observations and modeling, ? argue that SVS13B harbors a disk with a radius of ~ 40 au ($0.13''$).

Our observations of the ^{13}CO (2 – 1), C^{18}O (2 – 1) and SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) line emission in SVS13B are shown in Fig. B.1. Only C^{18}O (2 – 1) emission is detected towards the continuum peak. The emission is compact, with a size of about $2''$. The first-

order moment map shows a velocity gradient, with the mean velocity increasing from 8 km s^{-1} west of the continuum peak up to 9 km s^{-1} east of it. Fitting the first-order moment map, we find a gradient position angle $\theta = (92 \pm 9)^{\circ}$, close to the disk orientation expected from the jet axis ($\Delta\theta = 15^{\circ}$). The gradient orientation is roughly consistent with the disk PA derived by ?, $\text{PA} = 71^{\circ}$.

Figure C.4 shows the positions of the centroids we obtain from a fit in the uv plane, together with the zeroth-order moment. Only two red-shifted channels can be fitted in the uv plane. The centroids of both channels are located east of the continuum peak, in agreement with the velocity gradient orientation we measure in this source. The rotation curve we obtain is shown in Fig. C.5. For this source, we adopt a systemic velocity of 8.4 km s^{-1} (?) and we assume that the disk is orthogonal to the jet axis ($\text{PA } 77^{\circ}$). From a fit with a power law, we obtain a best-fit $\beta = -0.49 \pm 0.28$ for $r < 0.5''$ (150 au), consistent with Keplerian rotation. However, we caution that the rotation curve for

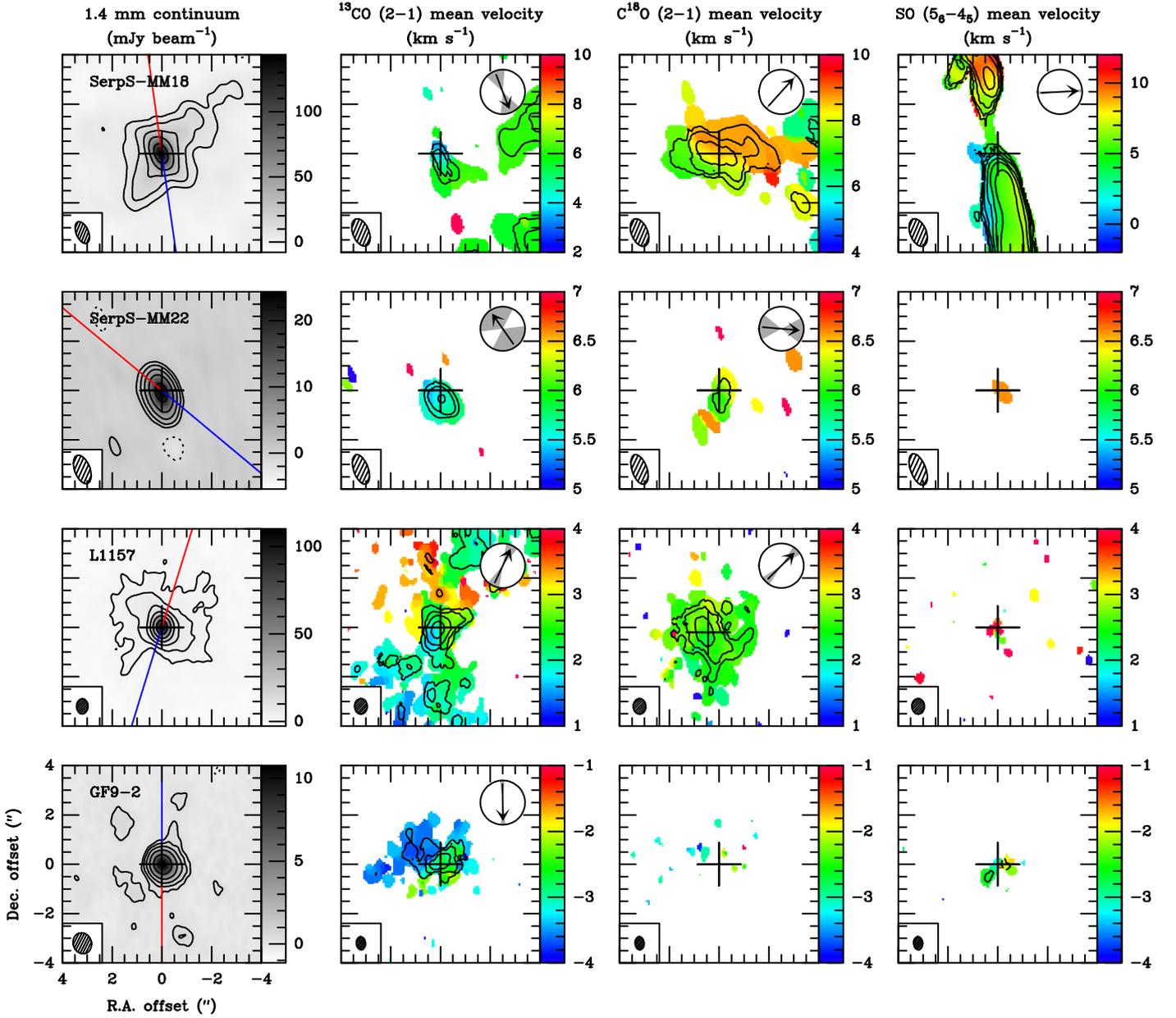


Fig. B.3. Same as in Fig. 1 for SerpS-MM18, SerpS-MM22, L1157, and GF9-2.

this source is very uncertain, because it is based on two velocity channels only. The lowest velocity channel we fit is a position offset of $0.5''$, i.e., a radius of 150 au. From a fit with a Keplerian law, we find a best-fit $M_{\star} (\sin i)^2 = 0.04 \pm 0.01 M_{\odot}$.

Figure C.6 shows the PV diagram we obtain along the assumed disk axis, together with the best-fit power-law rotation curve. The PV diagram appears to be symmetric around the adopted value of v_{sys} and it is consistent with rotation. However, the emission is at the limit of the spatial resolution of our observations. Fitting the first emission contour with a Keplerian law gives $M_{\star} (\sin i)^2 = 0.09 \pm 0.01 M_{\odot}$.

To summarize, we tentatively detect Keplerian rotation at $r < 150$ au in this source. From a fit in the uv plane and the PV diagram, we estimate that $M_{\star} (\sin i)^2 = 0.04 - 0.09 M_{\odot}$, that is, $M_{\star} = 0.05 - 0.12 M_{\odot}$, assuming a disk inclination of 61° (?). Observations at higher angular resolution are needed to confirm this detection.

NGC1333-IRAS4B

NGC1333-IRAS4B (hereafter IRAS4B) is a Class 0 protostar also located in NGC1333. This source is a wide binary whose secondary component, IRAS4B2, is located $11''$ (3200 au) to the east of the main component (?). The internal luminosity of IRAS4B is $2.3 L_{\odot}$ (Ladejate et al. in prep.), and it is surrounded by a $4.7 M_{\odot}$ envelope (?). IRAS4B drives a jet oriented along a north-south axis ($PA = 167^{\circ}$; Podio et al. in prep.). Using $C^{18}O$ (2-1) observations, ?? measured a velocity gradient with a PA of -14° , which is dominated by the outflow. Fitting only the component orthogonal to the outflow, they find little rotation of the envelope and derive a centrifugal radius < 5 au.

Our observations of IRAS4B are shown in Fig. B.1. The ^{13}CO (2-1) emission is elongated along the jet direction, and shows a velocity gradient that is consistent with the jet orientation. SO ($5_6 - 4_5$) emission is detected close to the continuum peak, as well as in a few spots along the jet axis. The $C^{18}O$ (2-1) emission is centered close to the continuum emission, and its

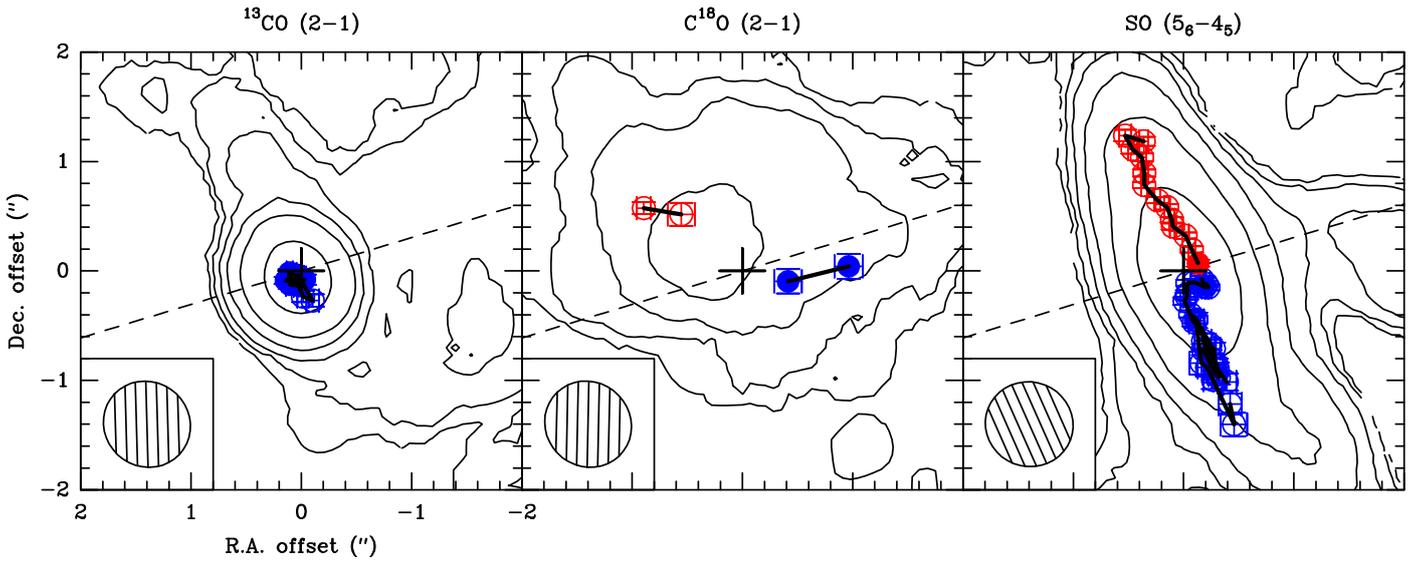


Fig. C.1. Same as in Fig. 2 for IRAS2A.

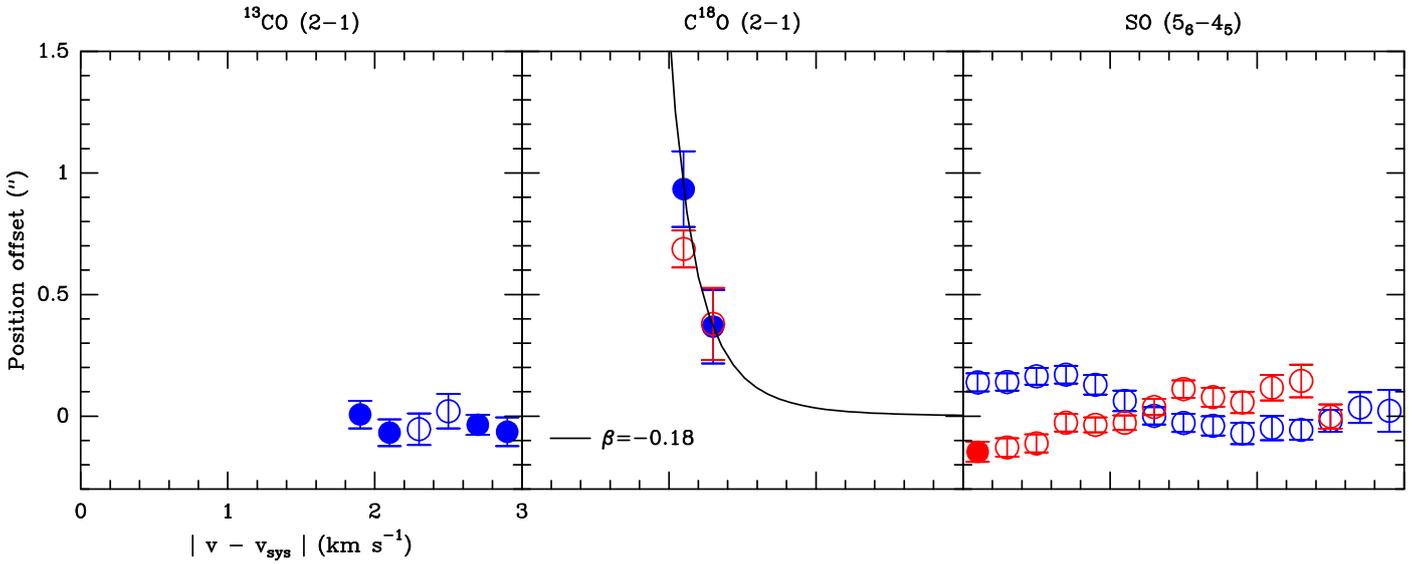


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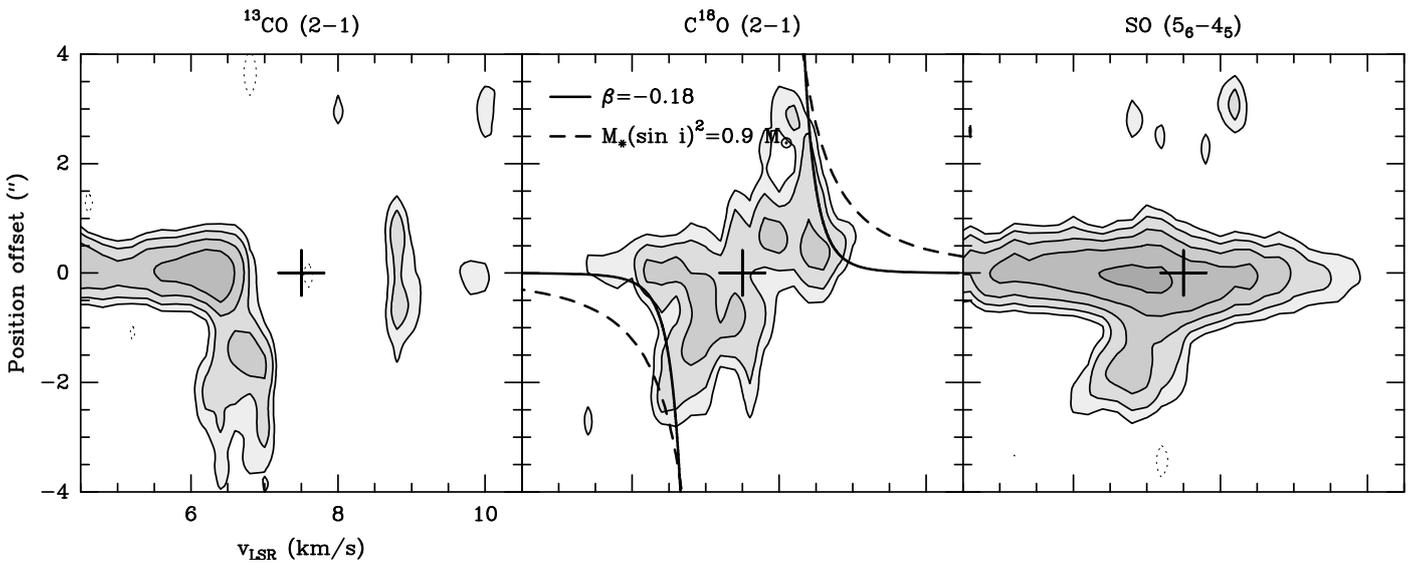


Fig. C.3. Same as in Fig. 4 for IRAS2A. The dashed curve in the middle panel shows the Keplerian velocity for $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 0.9 M_\odot$.

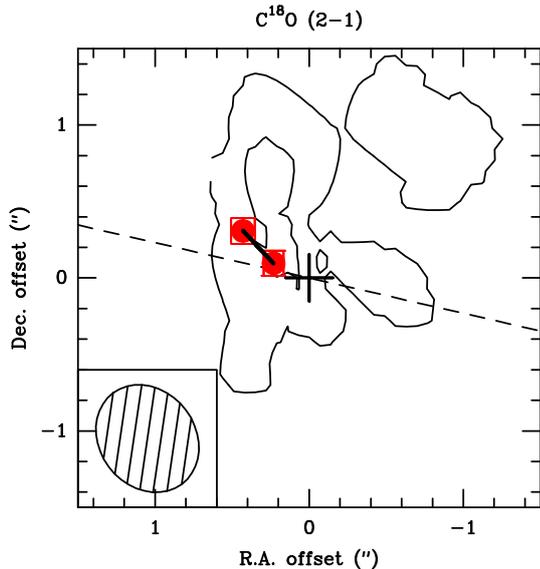


Fig. C.4. Same as in Fig. 2 for SVS13B.

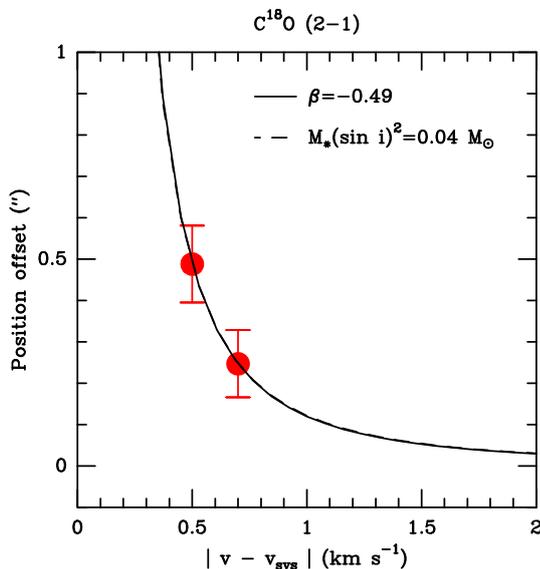


Fig. C.5. Same as in Fig. 3 for SVS13B.

size is $\sim 6''$ in the north-south direction, and $\sim 4''$ in the east-west direction. The C^{18}O (2-1) first-order moment map hints at a small velocity gradient along the east-west direction: the mean velocity to the east of the source is about 6.5 km s^{-1} , while it is 7.0 km s^{-1} west of it. This gradient is confirmed by the fit of the first-order moment map, which gives a PA of $-79 \pm 6^\circ$ and $\Delta\theta = 24^\circ$. For the ^{13}CO (2-1) line, we find a velocity gradient with $\theta = (-7 \pm 19)^\circ$ and $\Delta\theta = 84^\circ$. This confirms that the line is mostly due to outflow emission. For the SO (5₆-4₅), we find $\theta = (74 \pm 6)^\circ$ and $\Delta\theta = 3^\circ$. Although the orientation of the gradient we derive for this line is almost orthogonal to the jet, it is unlikely to be due to envelope rotation given the morphology of the SO (5₆-4₅) emission on larger scales. In addition, the orientation of the gradient measured with the SO (5₆-4₅) line is in a direction opposite to the C^{18}O (2-1) line velocity gradient.

Figure C.7 shows the results of the fit in the uv plane. We assume that the disk major axis is orthogonal to the jet (PA - 103°), and we adopt a systemic velocity of 6.7 km s^{-1} , consistent with the PV diagram of the C^{18}O (2-1) emission (see be-

low). For both the ^{13}CO (2-1) and SO (5₆-4₅) lines, the centroids for the blue-shifted channels are located to the south, while the centroids for red-shifted channels are oriented to the north. This is consistent with the jet orientation. For the C^{18}O (2-1) lines, the centroids of the red-shifted channels are located west of the source, along the expected disk axis. The centroids for the blue-shifted channels are roughly aligned along a north-south axis, and are probably contaminated by the outflow. Figure C.8 shows the position offset along the assumed disk axis as a function of velocity. We do not attempt to fit a rotation curve for the ^{13}CO (2-1) and SO (5₆-4₅) lines, because these two lines are dominated by the outflow. For the C^{18}O (2-1) line, we fit a rotation curve considering only two red-shifted channels. We obtain a best fit $\beta = -2.09 \pm 1.78$. The fit for this source is uncertain, because it is based on two points only.

Figure C.9 shows the PV diagrams along the assumed disk axis. The PV diagram for the ^{13}CO (2-1) line shows negative emission at $v_{\text{LSR}} > v_{\text{sys}}$. This is likely due to spatial filtering and/or absorption by a foreground component. Emission is detected on several spots at $v_{\text{LSR}} < v_{\text{sys}}$ which are probably due to shocked gas. The diagram for the SO (5₆-4₅) shows a similar pattern. On the other hand, The emission contours for the C^{18}O (2-1) line peak close to a velocity of about 6.7 km s^{-1} , and appear to be consistent with envelope rotation. From a fit of the first contour, we obtain $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.35 M_\odot$.

To summarize, we find evidence for rotation from our C^{18}O (2-1) line observations. The velocity curve we derive is uncertain, so we cannot determine if the rotation is Keplerian.

SerpS-MM18

SerpS-MM18 is a Class 0 protostar located in the Serpens-South region of the Serpens/Aquila complex, at a distance of 350 pc (Palmeirim et al., in prep.). This protostar is part of a wide binary system, SerpS-MM18 and SerpS-MM18', separated by 3600 au (?). The internal luminosity of SerpS-MM18 is $29 L_\odot$ and its envelope mass is $5 M_\odot$ (Ladejate et al. in prep.; ?). The source drives a jet with a PA of -172° (Podio et al in prep.).

Our observations of this source are shown in Fig. B.3. We detect ^{13}CO (2-1) emission towards the continuum peak position that extends towards the south-west, along the direction of the blue-shifted lobe of the jet. We also detect SO (5₆-4₅) emission along both lobes of the jet. On the contrary, the C^{18}O (2-1) emission appears to originate mostly in the envelope around the protostar. The C^{18}O (2-1) emission peaks at the same position as the continuum and it is extended along an east-west axis. We observe a velocity gradient along southeast-northwest axis, with a mean velocity of 6.5 km s^{-1} to the southeast of the continuum peak, increasing up to 8.5 km s^{-1} to the northwest. From a fit of the first-order moment map, we obtain $\theta = (-159 \pm 26)^\circ$, $\theta = (-42 \pm 3)^\circ$, and $\theta = (-87 \pm 3)^\circ$ for the ^{13}CO (2-1), C^{18}O (2-1), and SO (5₆-4₅) lines, respectively. The corresponding values of $\Delta\theta$ are 77° , 40° and 5° , respectively. The gradient orientation we obtain for ^{13}CO (2-1) is consistent with the jet orientation. However, the gradient for the SO (5₆-4₅) line is almost perpendicular to jet, although the emission of this line is clearly dominated by the outflow. Indeed, a careful examination of the first-order moment map for that line shows that the eastern part of the blue-shifted jet lobe has a lower mean velocity than the western part, suggesting rotation of the outflow cavities. The gradient we measure for the C^{18}O (2-1) line is consistent with envelope or disk rotation, although the value of $\Delta\theta$ we measure is close to the 45° threshold.

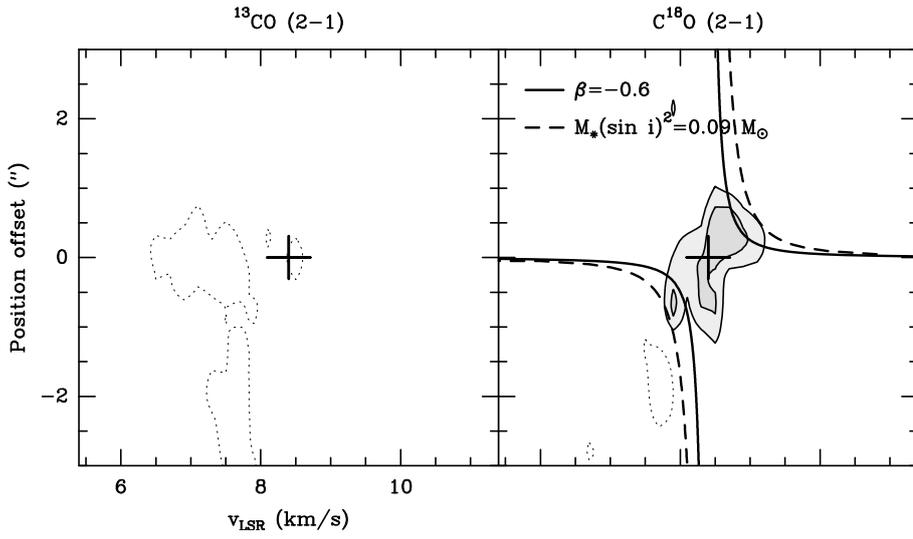


Fig. C.6. Same as in Fig. 4 for SVS13B. Dashed curve in the right panel shows the Keplerian velocity for $M_* (\sin i)^2 = 0.09 M_\odot$

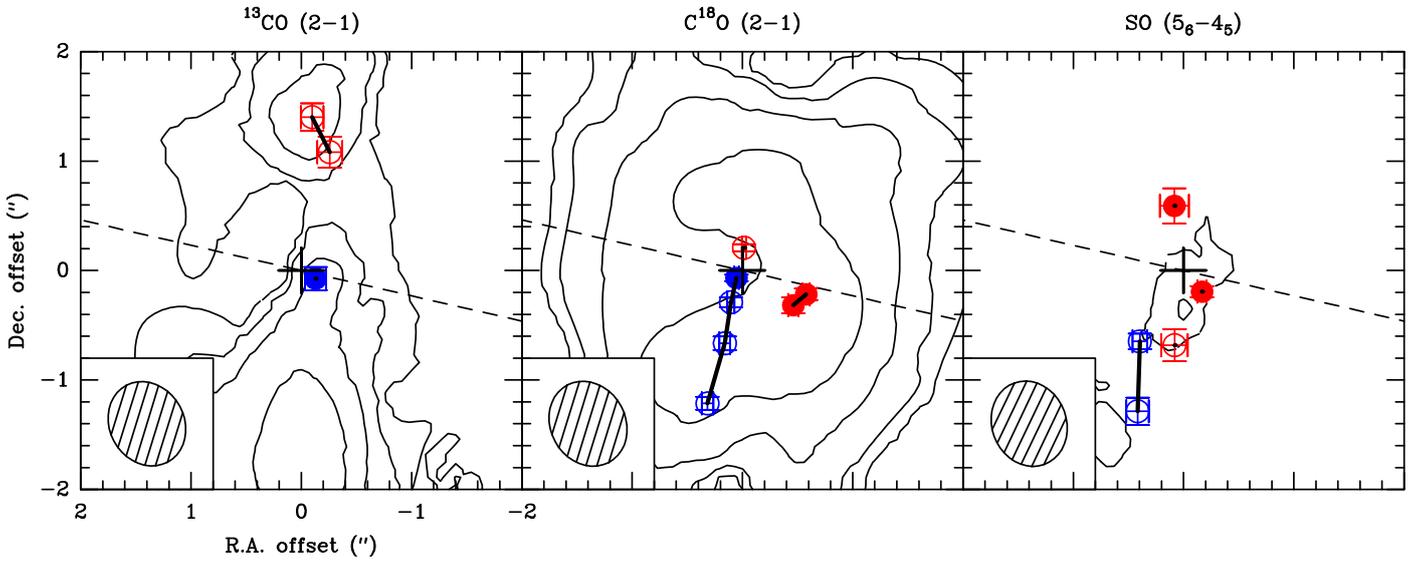


Fig. C.7. Same as in Fig. 2 for IRAS4B.

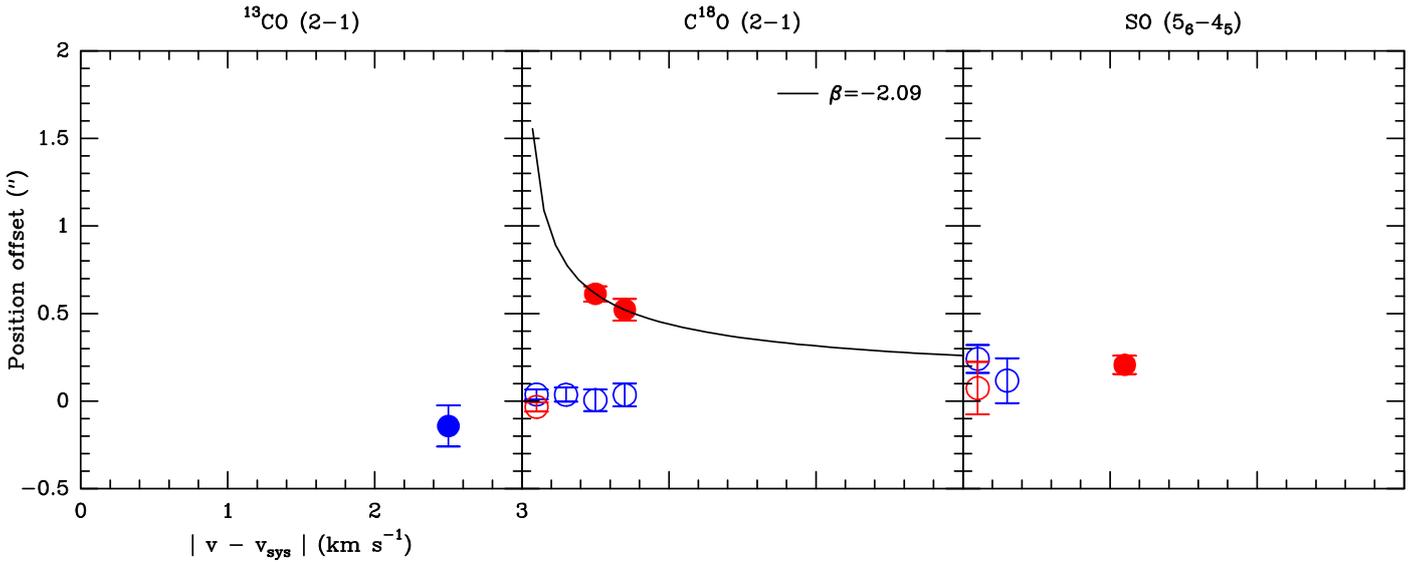


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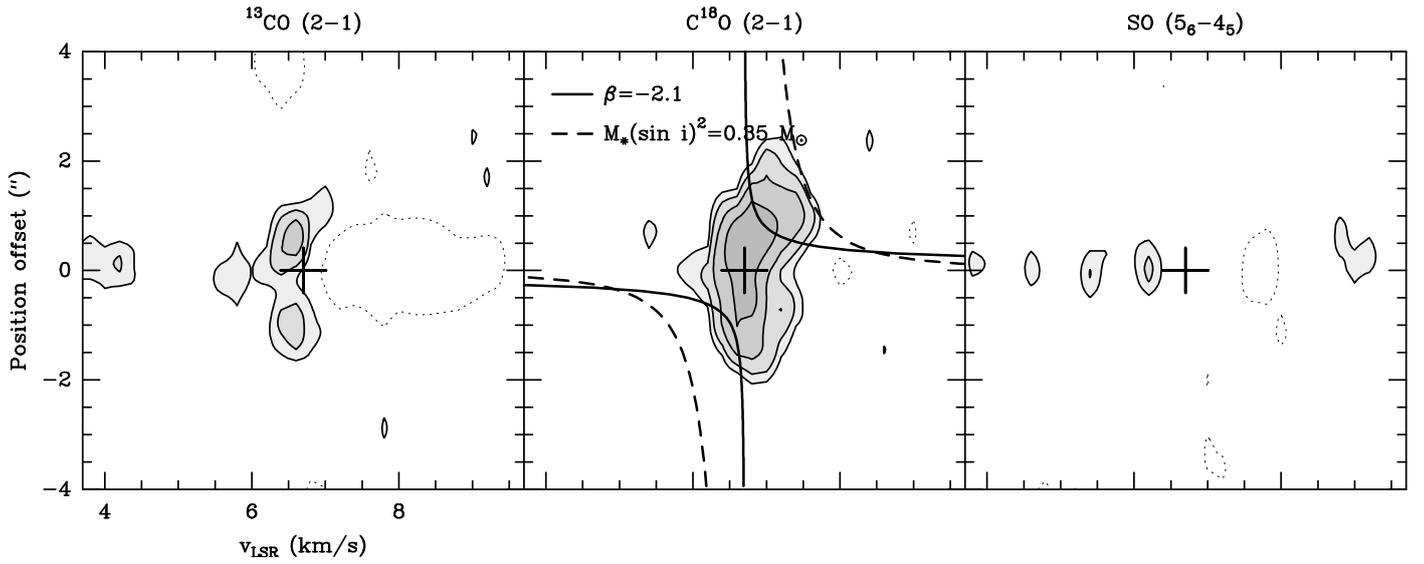


Fig. C.9. Same as in Fig. 4 for IRAS4B. Dashed curve in the middle panel shows the Keplerian velocity for $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 0.35 M_\odot$.

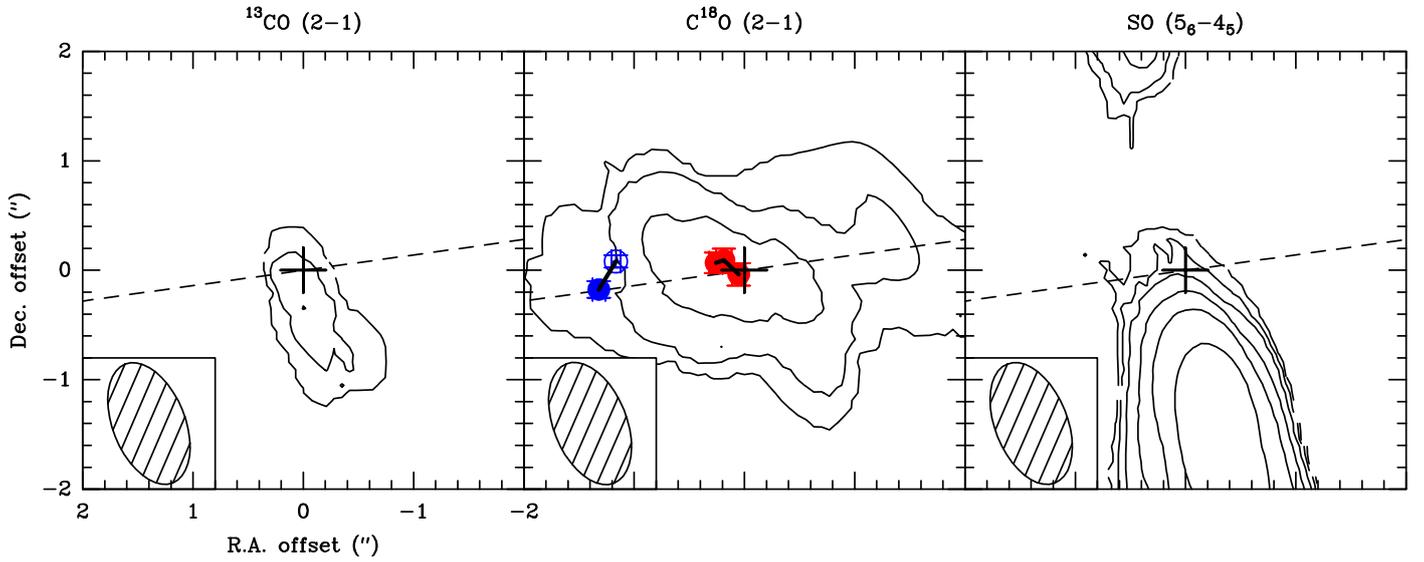


Fig. C.10. Same as in Fig. 2 for SerpS-MM18.

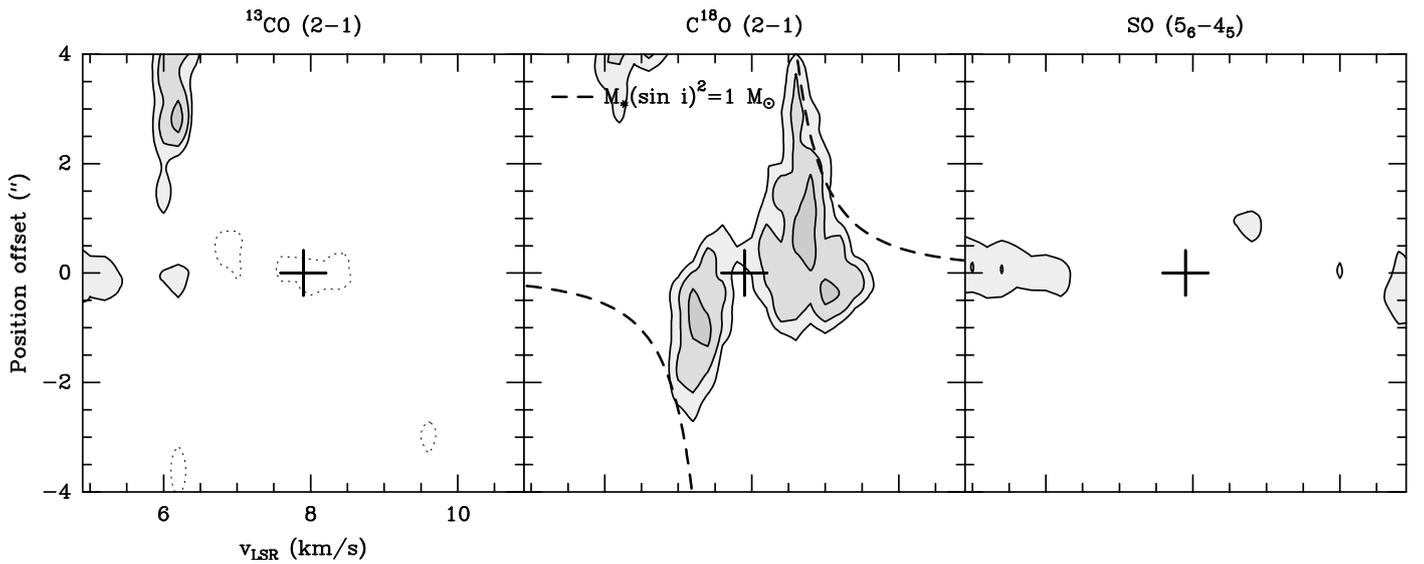


Fig. C.11. Same as in Fig. 4 for SerpS-MM18. The dashed curve shows a Keplerian velocity profile for $M_*(\sin i)^2 = 1.0 M_\odot$.

Figure C.10 shows the results of the fit of centroids of the emission in each channel, together with the assumed disk major axis (PA -42° , orthogonal to the jet axis). No centroids can be fitted for the ^{13}CO ($2-1$) and SO (5_6-4_5) lines. For the C^{18}O ($2-1$) line, we fit the centroids in 5 channels. Surprisingly, the centroids for the blue shifted and red-shifted channels are all located east of the continuum peak¹⁵. Because of this, we cannot fit a velocity curve for this source. The PV diagrams along the assumed disk axis are shown on Fig. C.11. The PV diagram for the C^{18}O ($2-1$) emission is consistent with rotation and perhaps infall. Fitting the first contour with a Keplerian law gives $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.6 M_\odot$.

To summarize the results for this source, the C^{18}O ($2-1$) PV diagram indicates the rotation of the envelope in the direction perpendicular to the jet. Because of outflow emission, we cannot fit a velocity profile and we therefore have no evidence for Keplerian rotation in this source.

Appendix D: Test of the rotation curve determination from the visibilities

In this section, we test the technique we use in Sect. 3.2 to derive the rotation curves for the disk candidates from the visibilities. For this, we use the `thindisk` code (?) to compute the line emission of a geometrically thin Keplerian disk. The disk line surface brightness distribution is assumed to follow a tapered power-law distribution (?):

$$I_{\text{peak}}(r) \propto \left(\frac{r}{r_c}\right)^{-\gamma} \exp\left(-\left(\frac{r}{r_c}\right)^{2-\gamma}\right), \quad (\text{D.1})$$

where r is the radius, r_c is the disk characteristic radius¹⁶, and γ is the power-law exponent. We assume that $r_c = 100$ au and $\gamma = 0.8$ (?). We also assume that the disk inclination is 45° , and that the disk major axis PA is 0° . The disk is assumed to be in Keplerian rotation around a central mass $M_\star = 0.3 M_\odot$. Finally, we adopt a distance of 293 pc (the same distance as L1448-C) and a systemic velocity of $v_{\text{sys}} = 5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. The model does not include artificial noise.

The `thindisk` code produces a synthetic data cube that we process with GILDAS to simulate the observations with the interferometer. First we use the `UV_FMODEL` task to compute synthetic visibilities, assuming the same uv coverage as our L1448-C observations. Then the visibilities are imaged using robust weighting and deconvolved. Finally, we analyze the synthetic observations using the technique outlined in Sect. 3.2.1.

Figure D.1 shows the results of the fit of the centroid position in the uv plane for each spectral channel superimposed on the zeroth-order moment contours for the model. In this figure, we see that the centroid positions are located onto the disk major axis, with the blue-shifted and red-shifted channels located in the south and north of the disk central position, respectively. The zeroth-order moment contours have an ellipsoidal shape with a major axis orientation that appears to be slightly tilted with respect to the north-south axis. This is an effect of the synthetic beam, whose FWHM size is $0.65'' \times 0.41''$ and PA is 32° . The

¹⁵ In principle this could be explained if the systemic velocity we adopted for the source (7.9 km s^{-1}) was too low. However, the PV diagram for the C^{18}O ($2-1$) line is consistent with the adopted v_{sys} .

¹⁶ The characteristic radius (defined in Eq. D.1) does not mean the disk-envelope boundary, because our model assumes Keplerian rotation outside the characteristic radius.

fit in the uv plane is obviously insensitive to the synthetic beam orientation and shape, which explains why the centroid positions in each channel are well aligned with the true disk major axis.

Figure D.2 shows the offset along the disk major axis for each velocity channel, as a function of the velocity offset. This plot shows a similar pattern than the L1527 plot for SO (see Fig. 3): a linear increase¹⁷ position offset as a function of the velocity offset between $0 < |v - v_{\text{sys}}| \leq 0.8 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, and a power-law decrease at higher velocity offset. Fitting the points at $|v - v_{\text{sys}}| > 0.8 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ with a power law, we find a best-fit $\beta = -0.58 \pm 0.13$, consistent with a Keplerian profile. With a Keplerian law, we obtain a best fit $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.10 \pm 0.01 M_\odot$, that is, $M_\star = 0.20 \pm 0.02 M_\odot$ after correcting for the inclination. This is about 30% lower than the model central mass¹⁸. We can estimate the size of the disk from the centroid with the largest position offset that is consistent with the Keplerian velocity curve, within the error bars. On Fig. D.2 we see that Keplerian rotation is detected up to position offset of $\sim 0.3''$. This gives a disk radius of 88 au for the assumed distance. This radius is comparable to the characteristic radius adopted in our model.

Figure D.3 shows the PV diagram along the disk major axis, together with the best-fit rotation curve. Because the rotation curve is based on fits of the centroid position in each velocity channel, it follows the position of peak intensity in the PV diagram. Therefore, it tends to underestimate the velocity of the disk at each position, and in turn the mass of the central object. The mass of the disk can also be estimated by a fit of the first emission contour in the PV diagram. Using this technique, we find $M_\star = 0.7 M_\odot$. This is about a factor of two larger than the assumed central mass¹⁹. To summarize, we show that our rotation curve technique provides a good estimate of the power-law index of the rotation curve, even for a marginally spatially resolved disk. However, it underestimates the mass of the central object by about 30% for the adopted model. On the other hand, a fit of the first contour in the PV diagram overestimates the mass of the central object by about a factor of two. By combining these two techniques, we can obtain lower and upper limits on the mass of the central object. In addition, our technique can be used to estimate the disk's characteristic radius.

¹⁷ We note that because of the finite spatial resolution, the model predicts a linear variation although the velocity profile is a power law. This demonstrates that a linear variation in the rotation curve does not necessarily mean that the line arises from a ring in the disk (see, e.g., ?). This conclusion is not specific to the uv plane fitting technique: a fit of peak emission as a function of velocity in the PV diagram shown in Fig. D.3 would also give a linear variation for velocities between 4 and 6 km s^{-1} .

¹⁸ This correction factor is larger than the one derived analytically by ?.

¹⁹ This is an effect of the spatial resolution: because the disk is marginally resolved, the emission contours are broadened by the synthetic beam along the position offset axis. This makes the first contour to appear further away from the central object than it would if the disk was resolved spatially. In turn, this tends to overestimate the mass.

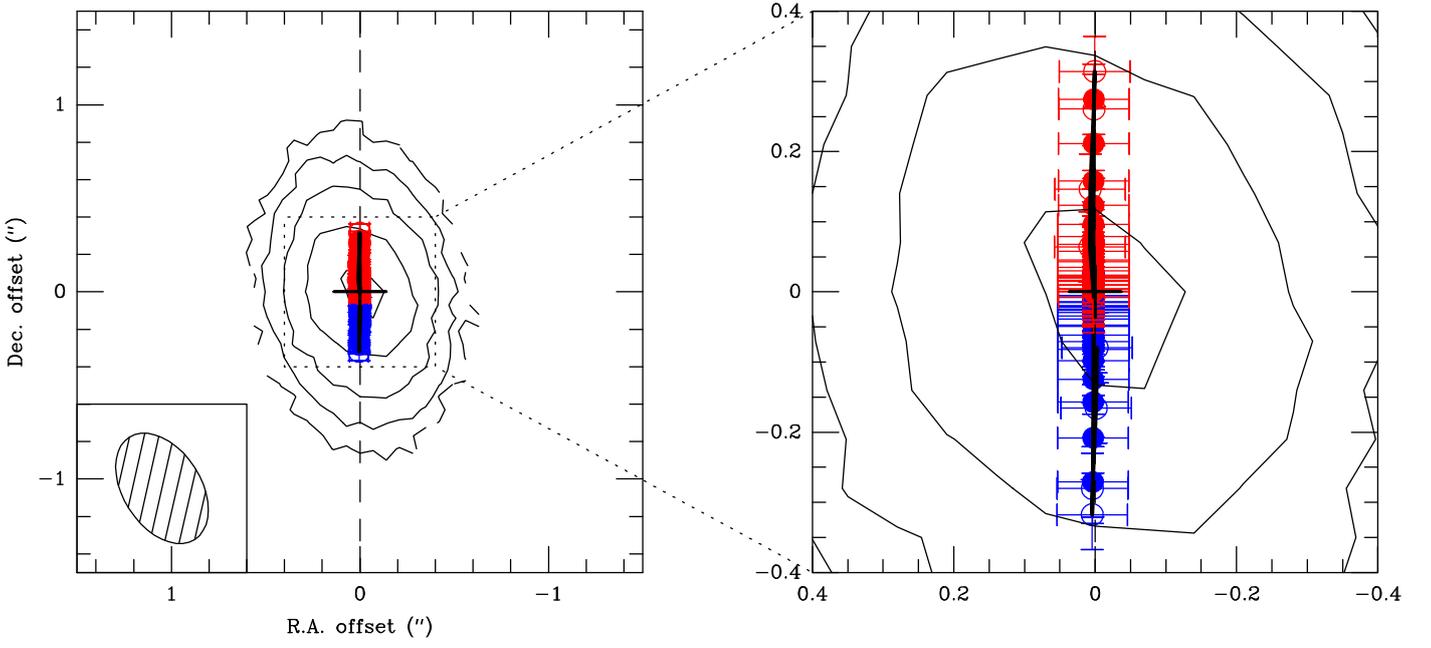


Fig. D.1. Same as in Fig. 2 for the synthetic disk model. The model assumes a disk characteristic radius $r_c = 100$ au, a disk inclination of 45° , a disk major axis PA of 0° , a central mass $M_\star = 0.3 M_\odot$ and a distance of 293 pc. The right panel is a zoom on the central region of the plot in the left panel.

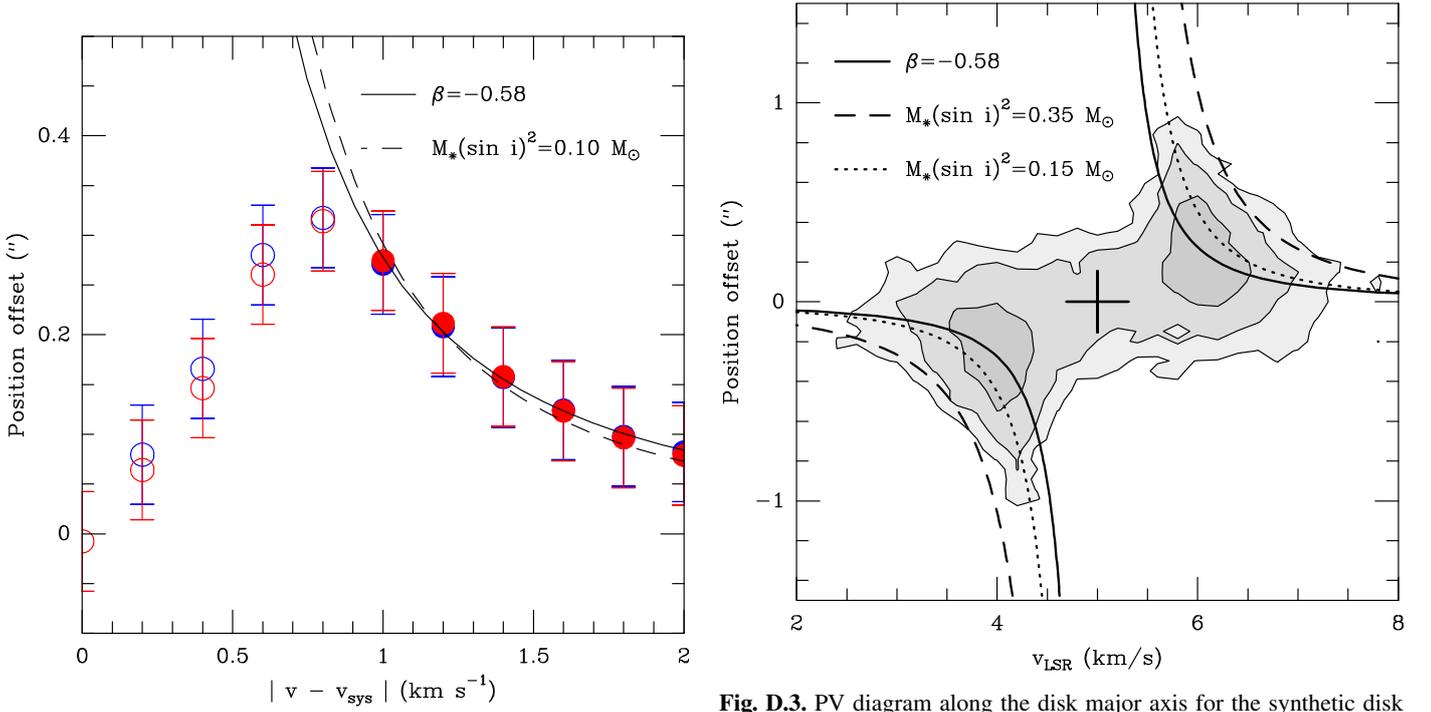


Fig. D.2. Same as in Fig. 3 for the synthetic disk model.

Fig. D.3. PV diagram along the disk major axis for the synthetic disk model. The solid line shows the velocity curve obtained from a fit in the uv plane (see the solid curve in Fig. D.2). The dashed line shows a fit of the first emission contour with a Keplerian law for $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.35 M_\odot$, that is, $M_\star = 0.7 M_\odot$. The dotted line shows the Keplerian law for the underlying disk model, with $M_\star (\sin i)^2 = 0.15 M_\odot$, that is, $M_\star = 0.3 M_\odot$.