

Seeing Double: Multiwavelength Studies of the Remarkable β Pic Moving Group Member V4046 Sgr

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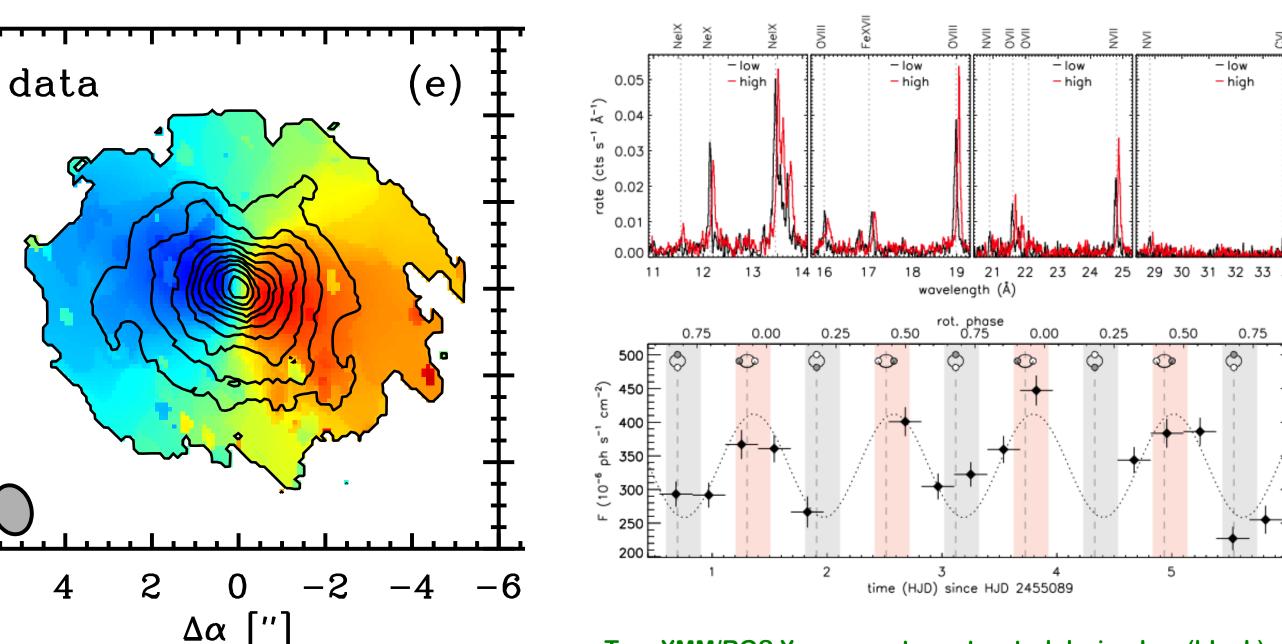


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V4046 Sagittarii: "fast facts"

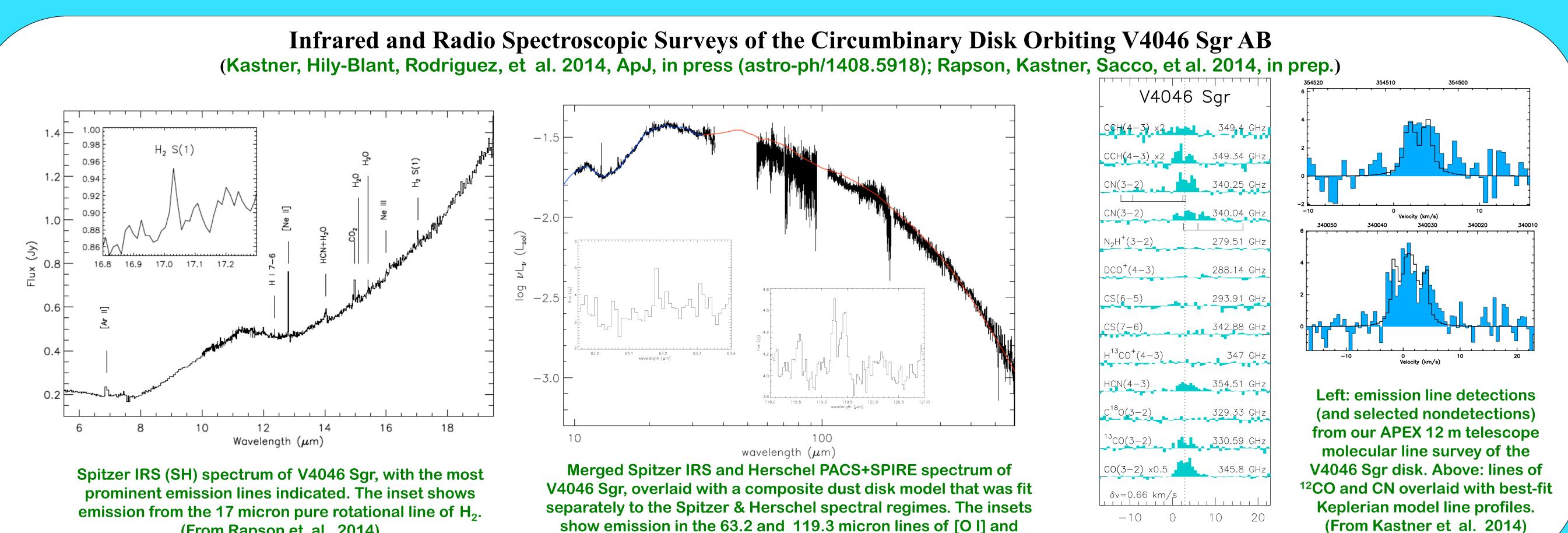
- β Pic Moving Group member
 - Age 12-21 Myr (Torres et al 2008; Binks & Jeffies 2014)
 - Distance ~73 pc (Torres et al 2008)
- Hierarchical quadruple system (Kastner et al. 2011)
 - V4046 Sgr AB: 2.4-day binary w/ sp. types K5+K7
 - V4046 Sgr C[D]: M-type binary located ~12 kAU from AB
- V4046 Sgr AB is still actively accreting (Guenther et al. 2006; Curran et al. 2011) from a massive circumbinary molecular disk
 - CO radius ~350 AU, inclination 33.5° (Rodriguez et al. 2010)
 - ~0.1 M_{\odot} of H_2 (Rosenfeld et al. 2013) orbiting a binary with component masses 0.90+0.85 M_{\odot} (Rosenfeld et al. 2012)
 - Submm-bright dust ring w/ outer radius ~50 AU and inner



Circumbinary disk of V4046 Sgr as mapped in CO. Colors illustrate mean gas velocity. (From Rosenfeld et al. 2013) Top: XMM/RGS X-ray spectra extracted during low (black) and high (red) states of V4046 Sgr AB; spectra are shifted in

("hole") radius ~30 AU (Rosenfeld et al. 2013)

wavelength, for clarity. Bottom: apparent rotational modulation of soft X-ray lines attributable to accretion shocks. (From Argiroffi et al. 2012)



OH, respectively. (From Rapson et al. 2014)

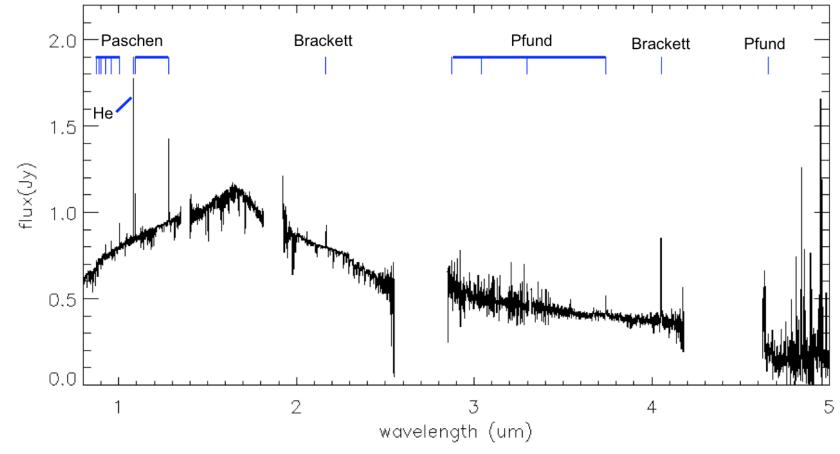
(From Rapson et al. 2014)

Velocity (km/s)

IRTF/SpeX spectroscopy of V4046 Sgr AB

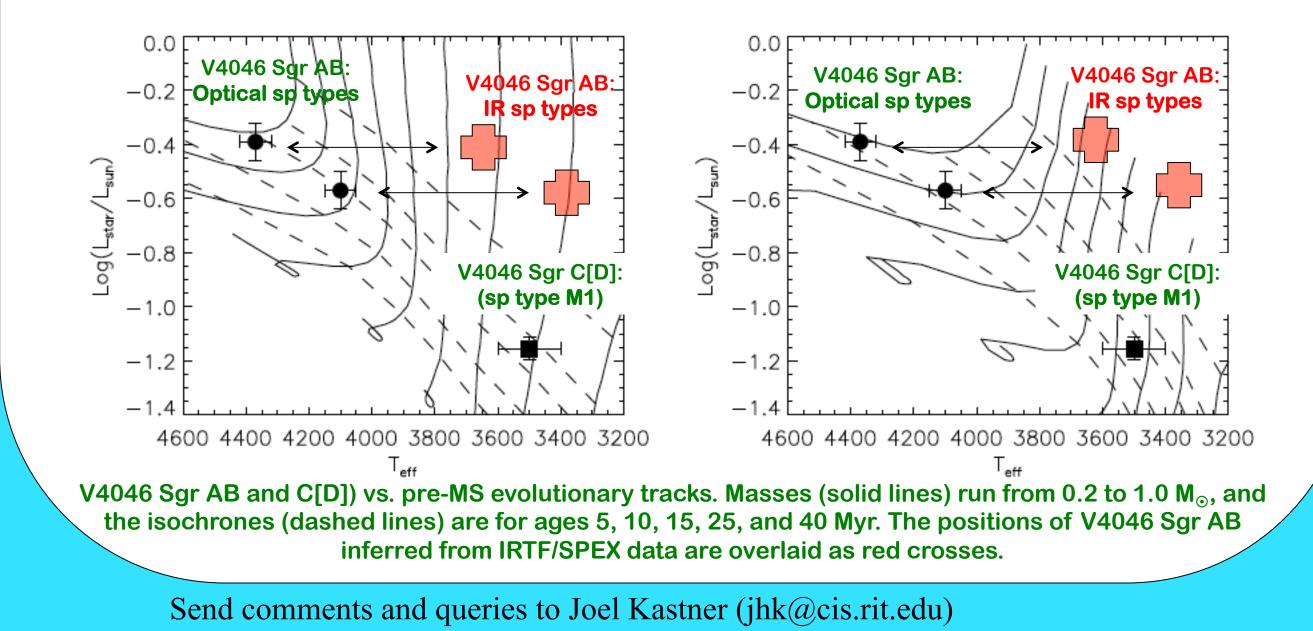
"Early Science" with Gemini Planet Imager:

(Kastner, Rapson, Sargent et al. 2014, in Proceedings of Cool Stars 18)



IRTF/SPEX spectrum of V4046 Sgr AB, with H and He emission lines labeled.

The composite near-IR spectral type for V4046 Sgr AB is significantly later than the (K5+K7) composite type previously determined from optical spectroscopy, but the optically-determined spectral types are in better agreement with V4046 Sgr AB's well-established dynamical masses and age. These results demonstrate that one must exercise caution in using near-infrared spectroscopy to infer the photospheric temperatures and, hence, the ages and masses of pre-MS stars via placement on pre-MS evolutionary tracks (see, e.g., analysis of the IRTF/ SpeX spectrum of TW Hya by Vacca & Sandell 2011).



Polarimetric/coronagraphic imaging of a dust ring system within the "submm hole" in V4046 Sgr AB's inner disk (Rapson, Kastner, Andrews, et al. 2014, in prep.)



We report the discovery of a dust ring system in the inner ~30 AU of the disk orbiting the young binary system V4046 Sgr AB. This ring system is seen in scattered starlight via near-infrared polarimetric/coronagraphic imaging with the new Gemini Planet Imager. The dimensions of the scattered-light ring system provide evidence for dust

