Investigating planet formation by FIR and sub-mm polarization observations of protoplanetary disks

ALMA Band 7 (870 µm)





0.5

Kataoka et al. 2017

100 AU

-0.5 -1.0 -1.



(<u>Kataoka</u> et al. 2015)



Alignment

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Millimeter Polarization

- Old and new theories for explaining millimeter-wave polarization
 - 1. Alignment with magnetic fields
 - 2. Self-scattering of thermal dust emission
 - 3. Alignment with radiation fields
- Testing the theory with ALMA polarization observations
 - HD 142527 morphology of pol. vectors
 - HL Tau wavelength dependence



Dust is big in disks



Light source of scattering



self-scattering in an inclined disk



(disk, edge-on view)

Yang, Li, et al. 2016

See also <u>Kataoka</u> et al. 2016a

Conditions of dust grains for polarization



If (grain size) ~ λ/2π, the polarized emission due to dust scattering is the strongest

Grain size constraints by polarization



Multi-wave polarization \rightarrow constraints on the grain size

HL Tau - continuum



ALMA Partnership, 2015

HL Tau pol. - prediction



- i = 47° (ALMA Partnership 2015)
- The polarization vectors are parallel to the minor axis

Kataoka, et al., 2016a (see also Yang et al. 2016)

Polarization mechanisms



Total polarization fraction



We can extract the self-scattering components

HL Tau polarization



What can we do at MIR?



Current understandings



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Science: scattering is efficient at MIR?

Porous



Case study: HL Tau



SPICA / SAFARI_Pol Fact Sheet A polarimetric camera with 3 simultaneous bands 100, 200 & 350 μ m on the same FOV : 2,6' x 2,6' @ 0,6 f# λ sampling

	100µm	200µm	350µm
Band edges	75—125µm	150—250µm	280—420µm
# of pixels	32 x 32 (x 2)	16 x 16 (x 2)	8 x 8 (x 2)
Pixel size	5" x 5"	10" x 10"	20" x 20"
Band centre beam FWHM	9"	18"	32"
PS sensitivity 5σ/1h/FOV (unpolarised)	21µЈу	42µЈу	85µJy
PS sensitivity in Stokes (Q,U) 5σ/1h/FOV (polarised)	30µЈу	60µЈу	120µЈу
PS sensitivity 5σ/10h/1deg ² (unpolarised)	0.16 mJy	0.32 mJy	0.65 mJy
PS sensitivity in Stokes (Q,U) 5σ/10h/1deg² (polarised)	0.23 mJy	0.46 mJy	0.92 mJy
Surface brightness sensitivity 50/10h/1deg ² (unpolarised)	0.09 MJy/sr	0.045 MJy/sr	0.025 MJy/sr
Sensitivity to map Stokes parameters (Q,U) at 5% level 50/10h/1deg ²	2.5 MJy/sr	1.25 MJy/sr	0.7 MJy/sr

Conclusions

- We have observed **polarization of HL Tau** with ALMA
 - 3.1 mm polarization vectors are dominated by explained by the grain alignment, while 1.3 mm pol. vectors by the self-scattering.
 - The maximum grain size is constrained to be \sim 70 μ m

(<u>Kataoka</u> et al. 2016a ApJ, <u>Kataoka</u> et al. 2017 ApJL)

- Possible science goals of MIR polarimetry of protoplanetary disks
 - HL Tau
 - Detection of MIR polarization of HL Tau -> porous dust aggregates
 - Non-detection of MIR polarization of HL Tau -> compact dust aggregates
 - Other disks
 - If scattering is observed, it would represents disks with small grains may be young. This is complementary with ALMA observations.
 - If we can detect polarization due to alignment of grains with B-fields, this would be the unique way to study the magnetic fields in disks

Dust opacity of protoplanetary disks

