

# High-resolution ALMA observations of V4046 Sgr: a circumbinary disc with a thin ring

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## ABSTRACT

The nearby V4046 Sgr spectroscopic binary hosts a gas-rich disc known for its wide cavity and dusty ring. We present new high resolution ( $\sim 20$  mas) ALMA observations of the 1.3 mm continuum. The comparison of these observations, combined with SPHERE-IRDIS polarized images and a well-sampled spectral energy distribution (SED), against radiative transfer (RT) predictions carried out with the RADMC3D package, allow us to propose a physical model for the source. The new ALMA data reveal a very fine ring at a radius of  $13.46 \pm 0.43$  au (Ring13), with a marginally resolved radial width of  $4.17 \pm 0.94$  au. Ring13 is the brightest structure in scattered-light, where it is surrounded by a  $\sim 9$  au-wide gap, and it is flanked by a very bright mm outer ring (Ring24) with a sharp inner edge at 24 au. The steeply decreasing radial slope of Ring24 breaks at  $\sim 35$  au into a shallow tail. The RT model requires an inner ring at  $\sim 6$  au (Ring6) in small dust grains, hiding under the IRDIS coronagraph, and that surrounds an inner circumbinary disk. Faint mm-continuum coincident with Ring6 is picked up by ALMA, whose morphology suggests that Ring6 is lopsided or shadowed by the secondary. The previously reported scattered-light shadow of the secondary star is also reproduced by the RT model. The surprising thin Ring13 is nonetheless  $\sim 10^3$  times wider than the model scale height, and could thus be long-lived. The strong near-far disc asymmetry at  $1.65 \mu\text{m}$  points at a very forward-scattering phase function, and requires grain radii of no less than  $0.4 \mu\text{m}$ .

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

Recent observations of young circumstellar discs have transformed current knowledge of planet formation, but the focus of resolved imaging with the Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimetre Array (ALMA) or with VLT/SPHERE has mainly been towards the brighter sources (see Andrews 2020, for a review). The Disks AROUND T Tauri Stars (DARTTS) program was first presented in Avenhaus et al. (2018) with the aim to image eight stars with the Spectro-Polarimeter High-contrast Exoplanet REsearch (SPHERE). The sample is not biased towards exceptionally bright and large disks, and consists of only solar-mass stars. A second part of the survey increased the number of sources by presenting 21 new images of circumstellar disks (Garufi et al. 2020). The observations revealed diverse structures and morphologies in the scattering surface of these disks. This letter on V4046 Sagittarii (Sgr) is part of our new DARTTS survey with ALMA (DARTTS-A) which will present millimeter observations of nine protoplanetary disks previously imaged in polarized scattered light in DARTTS-S.

V4046 Sgr is a double-lined spectroscopic binary of K-type stars (K5 and K7) with very similar masses of  $0.90 \pm 0.05 M_{\odot}$  and  $0.85 \pm 0.04 M_{\odot}$  (Rosenfeld et al. 2012) on a close ( $a \approx 0.041$  au), circular ( $e \leq 0.001$ ) orbit, with an orbital period of 2.42 days (Stempels,

H. C. & Gahm, G. F. 2004). It is a member of the  $\beta$  Pictoris moving group (Zuckerman & Song 2004), with an estimated age of  $23 \pm 3$  Myr (Mamajek & Bell 2014), and its distance is  $72.41 \pm 0.34$  pc (Gaia Collaboration et al. 2018). V4046 Sgr hosts a massive ( $\sim 0.1 M_{\odot}$ ) circumbinary disc extending to  $\sim 300$  au (Rosenfeld et al. 2013; Rodríguez et al. 2010), with a rich observable chemical diversity (Kastner et al. 2018).

The structure of this letter is as follows. The observations, including new 1.3 mm continuum data, are described in Section 2. We interpret the data in terms of a parametric model, presented in Section 3. Previous models of V4046 Sgr have been made (Ruíz-Rodríguez et al. 2019; Rosenfeld et al. 2013; Qi et al. 2019) but our new ALMA data bring additional information. Our results are discussed in Section 4 and summarised in Section 5.

## 2 OBSERVATIONS

New ALMA observations of V4046 Sgr were obtained in 2017 as part of the Cycle 5 program 2017.1.01167.S (PI: S. Perez). These were acquired in the context of the DARTTS-A program (Perez et al. *in prep*), a larger survey for 9 optically visible TTauri discs at  $\sim 50$  mas resolution. The survey simultaneously mapped the 1.3 mm continuum and the J = 2–1 line of  $^{12}\text{CO}$  with the C43-8 array configuration in band 6 (211–275 GHz). This work focuses exclusively on the data obtained in the 1.3 mm continuum for our source, taken

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with a beam size of  $0''.04 \times 0''.06$  (in natural weights). \*\*Seba, sure that the survey only used C43-8?\*\*\*

In this investigation, we use the polarimetric image at  $1.65 \mu\text{m}$  previously published as part of the DARTS-SPHERE I survey (Avenhaus et al. 2018). The image was taken at the ESO Very Large Telescope with the SPHERE-IRDIS instrument in differential polarization imaging (DPI) mode, and a complete description of the data reduction was presented in Avenhaus et al. (2018).

For our analysis of the ALMA image we used an image reconstruction strategy, using the non-parametric image synthesis of the UVMEM package (Casassus et al. 2006; Cárcamo et al. 2018) it is possible to super-resolve the clean beam, obtaining an effective angular resolution  $\sim 3$  times finer than natural weights. The model image is obtained by fitting the data using Chi-squared minimisation, with a measure of regularization when required. Here we adopted a pure  $\chi^2$  model image \*\*\*sure about this? what is the name of the image you used?\*\*\*\*. The resulting UVMEM image shown in Fig. 1 exhibits previously unseen substructure of the disc. This image reveals that the disc features two rings of large dust grains with a broad gap between them, i.e. Ring13 at 13 au and Ring24 starting at 24 au. The wide and bright Ring24 reaches its peak intensity at  $\sim 30$  au, beyond which it drops steeply before breaking at  $\sim 35$  au into a shallow tail. While this is the first observation of Ring13, Ruíz-Rodríguez et al. (2019) did anticipate its existence \*\*\*\*HOW? EXPAND ON THIS\*\*\*

Ring13 is surprisingly narrow and seems to be off-centre relative to the GAIA stellar position (at the origin of coordinates in Fig. 1). We determined the ring's center and orientation by minimising the dispersion of the disc radial profiles, from 6 au to 19 au, and thus obtained a PA of  $74.6^\circ$  \*\*\*ADD ERRORES\*\*\*, an inclination of  $33.9^\circ$  \*\*\*ERRORS\*\*\* and a centre at  $\Delta\alpha = 9 \pm 0.05 \text{ mas}$   $\Delta\delta = 0.1 \pm 0.04 \text{ mas}$ , relative to the stars.

The ring width can be measured in polar coordinates by fitting 1-D Gaussians, thus obtaining a width and centroid at each azimuth. On average, we obtained a FWHM of  $4.17 \pm 0.94 \text{ au}$ , and a stellocentric radius of  $13.46 \pm 0.43 \text{ au}$  (See Fig. 2). As the UVMEM model image has an effective angular resolution of  $\sim 1/3$  that of the natural-weighted beam ( $0''.04 \times 0''.06$ ) \*\*\*CREO QUE AHORA ENTIENDO, HAY QUE ASEGURARTE QUE ESTOS SON LOS BEAMS - DEBIERA SER BMAJORxBMINOR. NO CALZA CON EL ABSTRACT ESO SI\*\*\*, we see that Ring13 is marginally resolved. After subtraction of the approximate uvmem resolution, the ring width is  $\sim$ \*\*\*\*. \*\*\*\*SUBTRACT UVMEM BEAM IN QUADRATURE.\*\*\*\*

Repeating the optimization of the disk orientation, but this time aiming for Ring24 with a radial domain from 20 au to 70 au, we obtained a PA of  $76.8^\circ$  \*\*\*ERRORSS\*\*\*, with an inclination of  $34.0^\circ$  \*\*\*ERRORS\* and a centre at  $\Delta\alpha = 19 \pm 0.04 \text{ mas}$   $\Delta\delta = 7 \pm 0.03 \text{ mas}$  relative to the stars. We see that both Ring13 and Ring24 both share / DO NOT SHARE? the same orientation and center, given the errors, and both are offset from the star. Even though all orientation parameters for Ring13 and Ring24 are consistent within the errors, there are however some hints for a different orientation, as summarised in Fig. 2, perhaps due to the joint effect of all these small differences. \*\*\*\*CALCULATE THE CHI2 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO TRACES? SOME FORM OF STATS WOULD BE GOOD\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*I WOULD REMOVE THIS OR IDENTIFY SOMETHING CONCRETE OUT OF IT: We can compare the measured location of the inner ring according to these parameters versus to the location obtained before. The deviation for each azimuth is shown in Fig. 2, and is not trivial since it depend on a few parameters such as the different inclinations of the rings, the difference in position angle and the shift of the centres relative to the stars. But even though

those parameters play an important role, a possible small difference in eccentricities between the inner and the outer ring could also help explain this deviation between the two measurements. \*\*\*

Interestingly, the ALMA image also detects faint 1.3 mm continuum emission near the stellar positions (See the inset in Fig. 1). Since this faint central emission is offset from the star, at the origin of coordinates in the figure, it is probably due to large dust grains. This dust structure is at a distance of only  $\sim 0''.02$  from the binary system.

The scattered-light image shown in Fig. 1 also shows a double ring structure in the micron-sized dust distribution. The observed morphology presents an inner cavity of  $\sim 10 \text{ au}$  in radius and two rings located at  $14.10 \pm 0.01$ , coincident with Ring13, and  $24.62 \pm 0.08 \text{ au}$ , coincident with Ring24, with a small gap between them at  $\sim 20 \text{ au}$ . The observed second ring matches the inner wall of the 1.3 mm continuum emission outer ring (Ruíz-Rodríguez et al. 2019). Two other important features that are present in the image are: the brightness asymmetry and the shadows projected on the disc produced by the close binary system as they eclipse each other, described in detail by D'Orazi et al. (2019).

D'Orazi et al. (2019) reported a binary phase in the scattered-light observation around  $106^\circ$ , setting  $\phi = 0$  from the North and increasing clockwise. Using this measurement, the binary phase was calculated at the time of the ALMA observation at  $\phi = 13^\circ$ . There is no clear signal of any shadow similar to the ones present in the DPI image, this could be explained by inefficient disk cooling compared to the speed of the illumination pattern (Casassus et al. 2019) \*\*\*NO ERA DIFICIL ENCONTRAR ESA REF, PORFA LEER AL MENOS EL ABSTRACT\*\*\*\*

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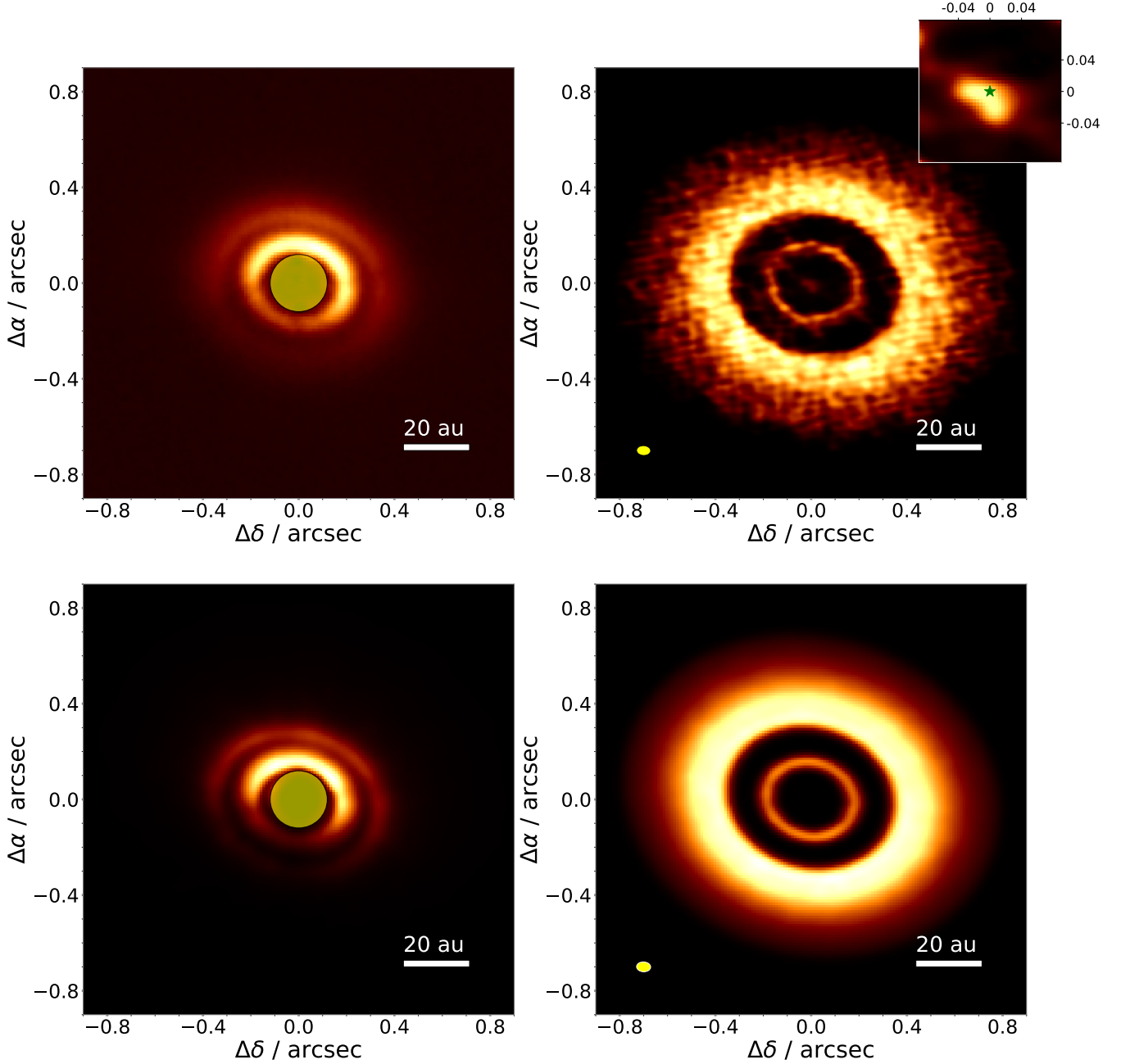
### 3 PARAMETRIC RADIATIVE TRANSFER MODEL

To search for a possible model that could explain the available data, we perform radiative transfer modelling with RADMC3D (Dullemond et al. 2012). Here we describe a 3D modelling framework for constructing disc structures given some parameters to characterise it. The model environment is similar to the one used by Casassus et al. (2018) for DoAr 44. Through trial and error, we look for a set of values for the parameters that can define a model that correctly fits the available data.

For the representation of the stars, we used two Kurucz photospheres models (Kurucz 1979; Castelli et al. 1997) with  $T_{\text{eff},1} = 4350 \text{ K}$ ,  $R_{*,1} = 1.064 R_\odot$ ,  $M_{*,1} = 0.90 M_\odot$  and  $T_{\text{eff},2} = 4060 \text{ K}$ ,  $R_{*,2} = 1.033 R_\odot$ ,  $M_{*,2} = 0.85 M_\odot$  respectively and with an accretion rate of  $\log \dot{M} = -9.3 \text{ Myr}^{-1}$  for both cases (Donati et al. 2011). The stars were placed with a separation of  $0.041 \text{ au}$  and oriented with a  $30^\circ$  rotation, relative to the semi-major axis of the disk, to match the shadows reported by D'Orazi et al. (2019).

Recreating the complex radial and vertical structure of the V4046 Sgr disc is not an easy task. We choose to build the model by thinking the components of the disc separately and then unite them as a whole. Given the observations that we are using, we consider that a correct approach for this disc is using two different dust populations: larger grains that are vertically settled and dominates the disc mass and a less-abundant population of smaller grains that are distributed to larger heights from the mid-plane. As the gas and the small-dust population are coupled, it is important to consider the gas in the modelling process, but no line emission prediction is made.

Assuming a three dimensional model in a spherical reference frame



**Figure 1.** Comparison of observations and simulated images at  $1.65\,\mu\text{m}$  and  $1.3\,\text{mm}$  continuum of the circumbinary disc orbiting V4046 Sgr. From top to bottom: DPI image and ALMA Band 6 observations; simulated images of the parametric model. Top left panel: SPHERE-IRDIS  $H$ -band image with a yellow filled circle that illustrate the N\_ALC\_YJH\_S coronagraph (inner working angle  $\sim 0''.12$ , or  $\sim 8.6\,\text{au}$  at  $72.4\,\text{pc}$ ). Top right panel:  $1.3\,\text{mm}$  continuum UVMEM model image. The yellow ellipse shows the size of the natural-weighted beam:  $0''.04 \times 0''.06$ . The inset zooms into the central emission, and the green star marks the star positions. Bottom left panel:  $1.65\,\mu\text{m}$  simulated image of the parametric model. Bottom right panel:  $1.3\,\text{mm}$  simulated image of the parametric model. The yellow ellipse shows the size of the beam:  $0''.04 \times 0''.06$  \*\*\*ESTOY CONFUNDIDO POR ESTE BEAM, HAY QUE REPORTAR 1/3 BMAJxBMIN / BPA, INDICANDO 1/3 SEGUIDO POR LOS VALORES EN PESOS NATURALES, Y PLOTEAR EL RESULTADO \*\*\*\*\*. For all the images in the figure the colour scale is linear.

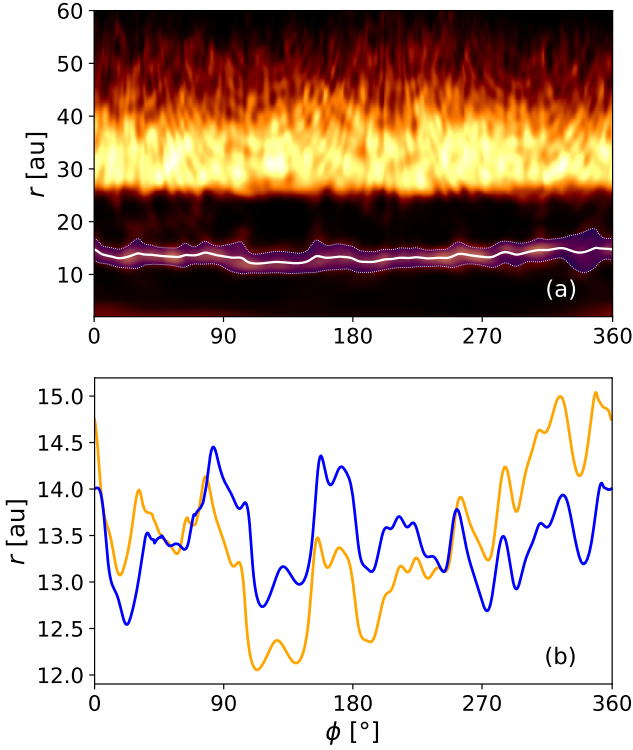
with coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$ , the gas density ( $\rho_{\text{gas}}$ ) distribution follows

$$\rho_{\text{gas}}(r, z) = \frac{\Sigma(r) \delta(r)}{\sqrt{2\pi} r H(r)} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{z}{r H(r)} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (1)$$

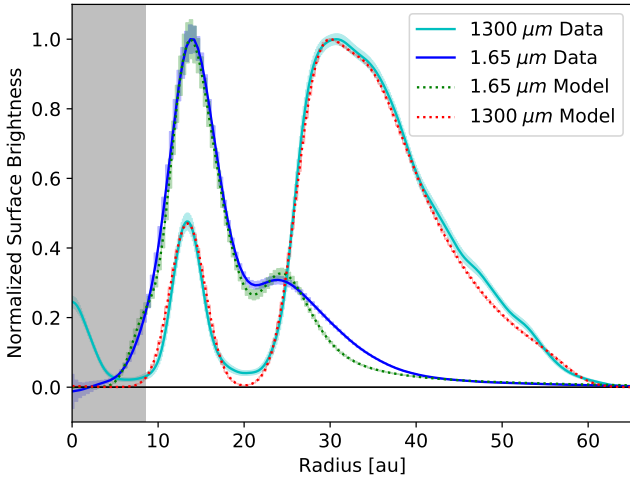
Where  $\delta(r)$  is a parameter that indicates the density drops in the

gaps and cavities,  $H(r)$  is the scale height profile and  $\Sigma(r)$  be the surface density profile.  $\Sigma(r)$  is defined by

$$\Sigma(r) = \Sigma_c \left( \frac{r}{R_c} \right)^{-\gamma} \exp \left[ -\left( \frac{r}{R_c} \right)^{2-\gamma} \right], \quad (2)$$



**Figure 2.** (a) Polar decomposition of the 1.3 mm continuum image, using the orientation of Ring24. We trace Ring13 using the centroids (solid line) and width of radial Gaussian fits (blue region between the dotted lines). (b) Centroid of Ring13, for two disc orientations: the orange line corresponds to the same trace as in a), while the blue line is obtained for the inner ring orientation.



**Figure 3.** Comparison of the surface brightness profiles extracted from the deprojected synthetic images and observed  $H$ -band and 1.3 mm continuum images. The grey shaded area represents the inner working angle of the artificial coronagraph used in the simulations (i.e.,  $\sim 0''.12$ , or  $\sim 8.6$  au at  $72.4$  pc).

where  $R_c$  is a characteristic radius and  $\gamma$  is the surface density gradient. A fixed  $\gamma = 1$  is used as it is a typical value for discs (Andrews et al. 2009, 2010).

We define the parametric scale height profiles for the gas and for each dust population as

$$H(r) = \chi H_o(r) [r/r_o(r)]^{\psi(r)}, \quad (3)$$

where  $H_o$  is the scale height at  $r = r_o$ ,  $\psi$  is the flaring index and  $\chi$  is a scaling factor (in the range  $0 - 1$ ) that mimics dust settling. For the gas and the micron-sized grains  $\chi = 1$  and for the millimetre-size dust population, as Rosenfeld et al. (2013), we assign a fixed  $\chi = 1/2$  for simplicity.

The small-dust density distribution follows the same behaviour as the gas but with different scaling factors: the dust-to-gas ratio ( $\zeta = 0.047$  as Rosenfeld et al. (2013)), the mass fraction between small and large dust particles ( $f_{\text{mass}}$ ) and another  $\delta_{\text{sd}}(r)$  factor for fine tuning that depends on the radius. So it is

$$\rho_{\text{small-dust}}(r, z) = \rho_{\text{gas}}(r, z) f_{\text{mass}} \delta_{\text{sd}}(r) \zeta. \quad (4)$$

Since the large-dust grains are less coupled to the gas, their distribution has some important differences. A large inner cavity and another scaling factor (or filter) is needed to generate the larger gap between the rings. For the inner ring, the same profile as the gas is used, but with different values for  $R_c$  and  $\Sigma_c$ . The greatest difference is in the outer ring, where we used a sum of an exponential correction with a Gaussian function and, between 32 and 34.5 au, in an effort to recreate the break seen in the profile, we chose a different value for  $\gamma = -8$ . So, for the large dust grains, the surface density is

$$\Sigma_{\text{large-dust}}(r) = \Sigma_{c2} \left( \frac{r}{R_{c2}} \right)^{-\gamma} \left\{ \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{r}{R_{c2}} \right)^{2-\gamma} \right] + \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{r}{R_{c2}} \right)^2 \right] \right\}. \quad (5)$$

Also for both dust populations, the inner part of the outer ring follows a different behaviour. The surface density profile is multiplied by an additional factor

$$\epsilon(r) = \delta + (1 - \delta) \left( \frac{r - R_{\text{in}}}{R_{\text{peak}} - R_{\text{in}}} \right)^3, \quad (6)$$

where  $\delta = 10^{-4}$  and  $R_{\text{in}}$  and  $R_{\text{peak}}$  would depend on the dust population, marking the beginning and the maximum density peak of the outer ring. This parameter allow us to model a smoother inner wall of the outer ring.

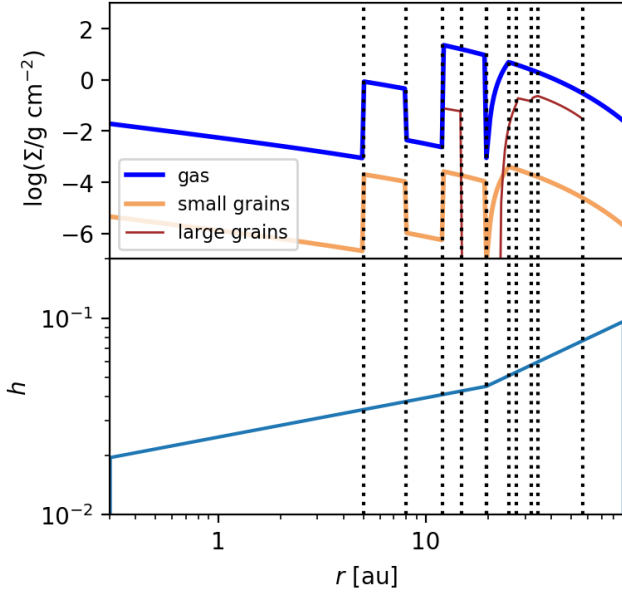
The two different populations of dust grains vary in size, the small grains range from  $0.4$  to  $1.5 \mu\text{m}$  and the large dust grains range from  $0.4 \mu\text{m}$  to  $10$  mm. For absorption and opacities of dust populations we assume a typical ISM mineralogical composition, containing 70% silicate and 30% graphite.

In an effort to obtain a similar asymmetry as the one observed in the DPI image, the simulated image at  $1.65 \mu\text{m}$  had to be taken using a special grain size distribution. Our approach was using a Gaussian size distribution centred at  $0.4 \mu\text{m}$ , smearing out the grain size by 30% in both directions and using 20 grain size samples in that range.

The final structure of the parametric model goes as Fig. 4 shows. The inner radius of the model grid was set to  $0.1$  au and an outer radius of  $115$  au, large enough for the dust disc to become undetectable.

The dust begins at  $0.3$  au, out of the zone expected to be cleared by dynamical interactions with the central binary (Artymowicz & Lubow 1994). For the small dust grains, we propose a three ringed structure. The innermost ring of the model is located from  $5$  to  $8$  au





**Figure 4.** Top panel shows the surface density profiles for the gas, the large and small grain populations. Bottom panel shows the scale height  $h(r)$  as a function of polar radius. The dashed lines crossing both panels are the radii that confine the structures.

,this ring is not present in the observations but was added for having a better SED fit. Then follows the two observed rings: the first goes from 12 to 19.5 au and, with a 1 au-wide gap between them, the outer ring goes from 20.5 au and has its maximum density peak at 25 au. The small-dust density then fades as the radius increases.

On the other hand, in order to reproduce the two ringed observed morphology of the millimetre continuum emission we required a model that has its large-dust grain population distributed with a wide central cavity ( $r = 12.3$  au), a narrow 2.6 au-wide inner ring followed by a gap of 8.2 au that separates both rings and then an outer ring that goes from 23 au and has its density peak at 27.3 au. This last ring has a break between 32 and 34.5 au and then reaches out to 57 au.

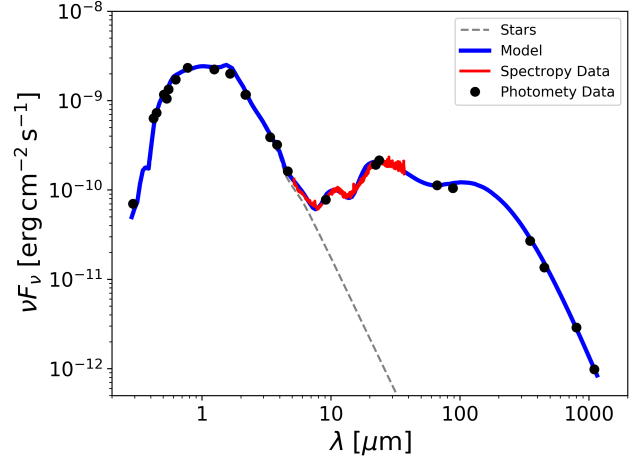
For the vertical structure, D’Orazi et al. (2019) found flaring angles of  $\varphi = 6.2 \pm 0.6^\circ$  for the inner ring and  $\varphi = 8.5 \pm 1.0^\circ$  for the outer one. For that matter, the model uses two different flaring index  $\psi$ . The separation between the two values was set at  $r = 19$  au with values of 0.2 and 0.5 for the inner part and the outer part respectively. Also, the scale height is calculated using  $H_0 = 0.045$  and  $r_0 = 19.5$  au.

We set the values of the inclination and the position angle as the same as those obtained from the ALMA observation in Section 2, so the model has an inclination of  $i = 33.9^\circ$  and a P.A. =  $74.6^\circ$ . Finally, the distance is set at  $d = 72.4$  pc (Gaia Collaboration et al. 2018).

#### 4 MODEL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Our parametric model is fairly successful in reproducing the available data. The simulated images and the SED of the model are shown in Fig. 1 and Fig. 5 respectively.

The simulated image at  $1.65 \mu\text{m}$  shows a similar radial structure to the one visible in the observations, displaying a two ringed disc, where the innermost small-dust ring of the parametric model hides under the artificial coronagraph. The visible asymmetry in the SPHERE observations is recreated using grains larger than  $0.4 \mu\text{m}$



**Figure 5.** The SED (black points and solid red curve) compared with the model (blue). The black points represent the measured photometry and the red line shows an archival *Spitzer* IRS spectrum. The dashed silver curve shows the emission of the stellar photosphere model.

as smaller grains do not cause a strong forward scattering, meaning that the disc is depleted of very-small grains. Interestingly, the model accurately shows the shadows described by D’Orazi et al. (2019) that are present in the SPHERE-IRDIS image.

The simulated 1.3 mm continuum image displays some clear similarities with the ALMA observation. The model reproduced the two rings that are present in the observation: the faint inner ring and the outer brighter one. As the radial profiles obtained from the simulated images of the model closely resemble those deduced from the observations (Fig. 3), we can assume that the model provides a reliable approximation of the disc structure, including, particularly for our interest, the dimensions of the previously unseen 1.3 mm thin inner ring. Accordingly, taking the parametric model values for the large-dust inner ring we have that it is located at 13.6 au, has an estimated width of 2.6 au, an estimated scale height ranging from 0.25 to 0.32 au and a dust mass of about  $3 M_\oplus$ . For the outer ring, we have that it has an intensity peak at  $\sim 30$  au, a break present at  $\sim 35$  au and a mass of  $\sim 43 M_\oplus$ .

As Dullemond et al. (2018) explains, the stability of a narrow dust ring can be analysed comparing its height to its radial extent. For a ring to be stable and long-lived its horizontal dimension can not be less than its vertical height. Using the parametric model scale height of 0.28 au at 13.46 au and the measured width of the inner ring (4.17 au, see Section 2), we have that its width is  $\sim 15$  times its scale height, meaning that it is stable.

Fig. 5 shows the SED constructed from the model compared to the photometry data available in the literature in Jensen & Mathieu (1997) and online in VIZIER and DIANA, and also using spectrometry data from an archival *Spitzer* IRS spectrum. From the similarity between the data and the resulting SED of the model we confirm that there has to be a small-grain population close to the stars down to 0.3 au. The decision of employing the three ringed structure for the small dust grains relies on the fact that the SED needed a ring at a radius smaller than 10 au to have a proper fit, this proposed ring has not been observed. The unexpected central emission in the 1.3 mm continuum image could be part of this inner ring and, as it is asymmetric, the ring could be lopsided.

## 5 CONCLUSIONS

New ALMA 1.3 mm continuum imaging of the circumbinary disc around V4046 Sgr reveals new information about its substructure. Using a radiative transfer model and decompositions in polar coordinates of the computed UVMEM model image, we measured and analysed the previously unseen thin inner ring and studied the small-dust population distribution.

The key conclusions of our analysis are as follows.

(i) We report a narrow inner ring for the 1.3 mm continuum located at  $13.46 \pm 0.43$  au from the stars and has an estimated width of  $4.17 \pm 0.94$  au. The location of this ring is similar to the inner ring observed in the scattered-light image, revealing that the ring includes a considerable mass of millimetre-sized grains of around  $3 M_{\oplus}$ . Using the parametric model scale height value ( $h = 0.28$  au at 13.46 au) we have that the ring width is  $\sim 15$  times its estimated height, making it a stable ring.

(ii) The 1.3 mm outer ring, that starts at  $\sim 23$  au and has its peak intensity at  $\sim 32$  au, presents a visible break in the surface brightness at  $\sim 35$  au.

(iii) We interpret the asymmetry observed with SPHERE-IRDIS at  $1.65 \mu\text{m}$  as due to strong forward-scattering, which implies that the dust population is depleted of grains smaller than  $\sim 0.4 \mu\text{m}$ .

(iv) As our parametric model accounts for the SED of the system, the disc requires the existence of a sub-micron dust population close ( $< 5$  au) to the stars. We also predict the existence of another thin ring at  $\sim 6$  au, about 3 au-wide and made of small dust grains that lies under the coronagraph of the scattered-light image. Additionally, the weak central emission at 1.3 mm could be part of this ring.

Finally, we encourage additional detailed analysis and more modelling that could give some explanations of the substructures present on the disc. Higher resolution observations of radio continuum may provide the opportunity to make better measurements of the rings radial extension. For future radiative transfer models, it might be worth adding gas, using different inclinations for the inner and outer disc and implementing hydrodynamic simulations too, especially to try to unravel the mystery of how the inner ring is so thin and stable.

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