



# **Measuring the mass of the brown dwarf in the debris disk of HD 206893**

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# First things first: Special thanks to



**ALMA (Atacama Large Millimeter/Submillimeter Array)**



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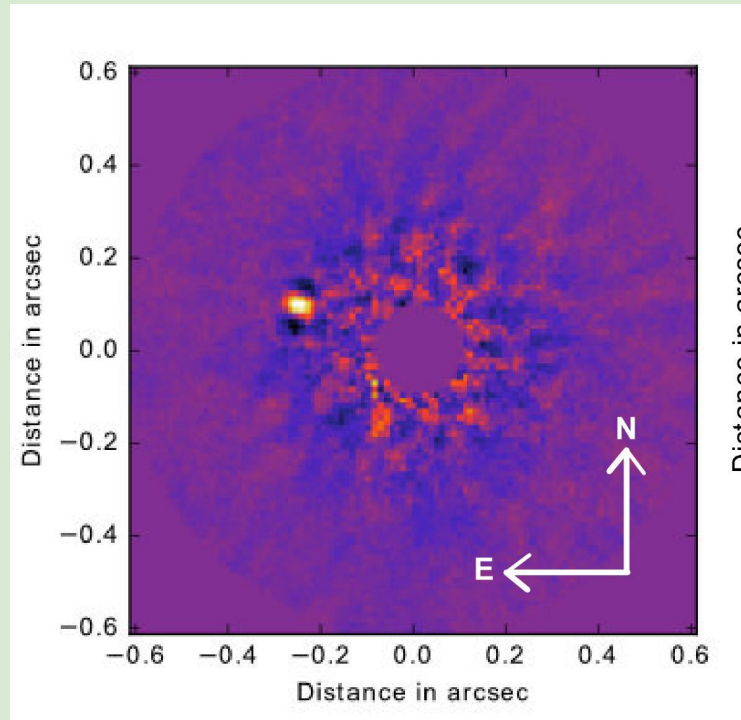


Second things second: what is a brown dwarf?

**These are dwarves, but not brown dwarfs.**

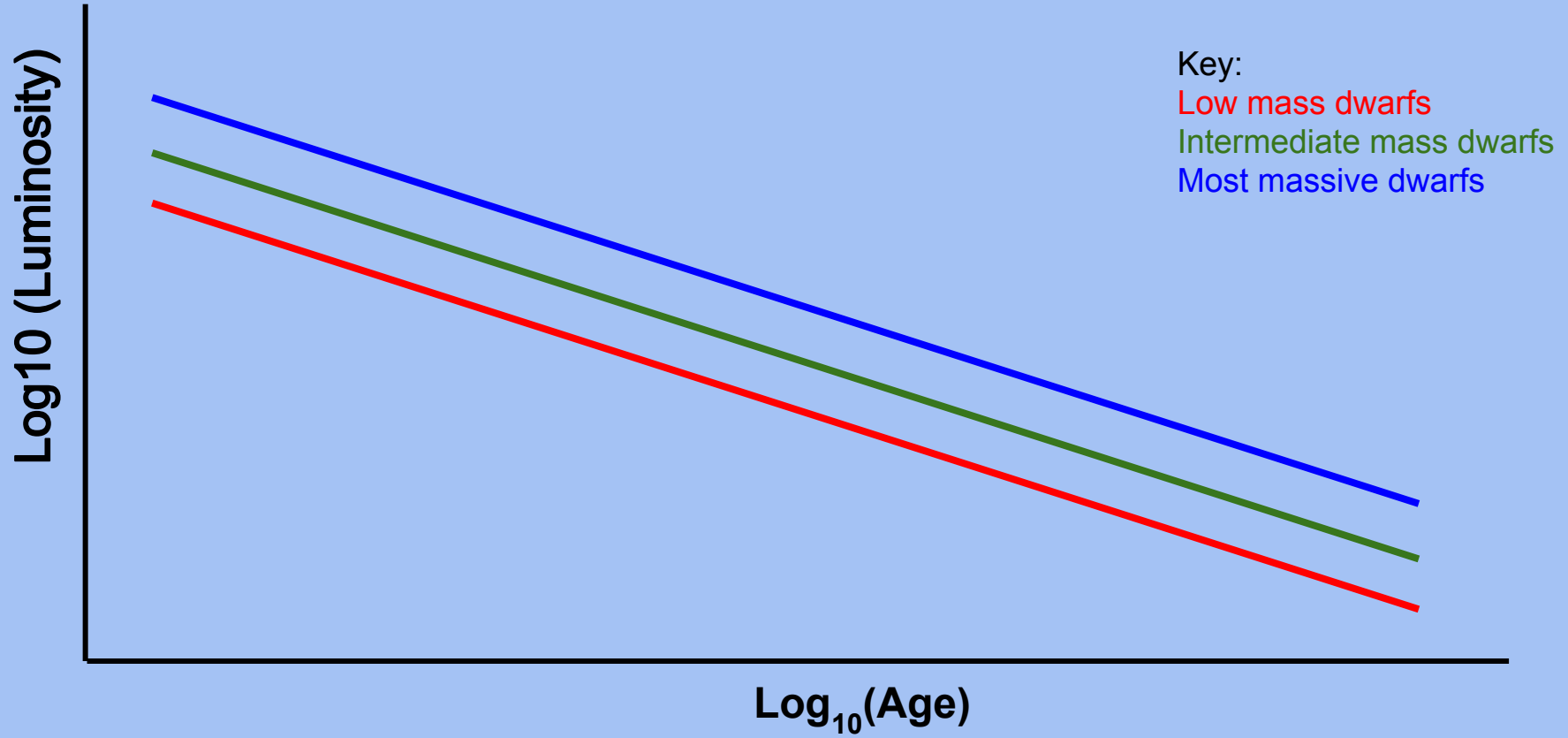


# AHA! There we go.



Source: Milli et al. (2017)

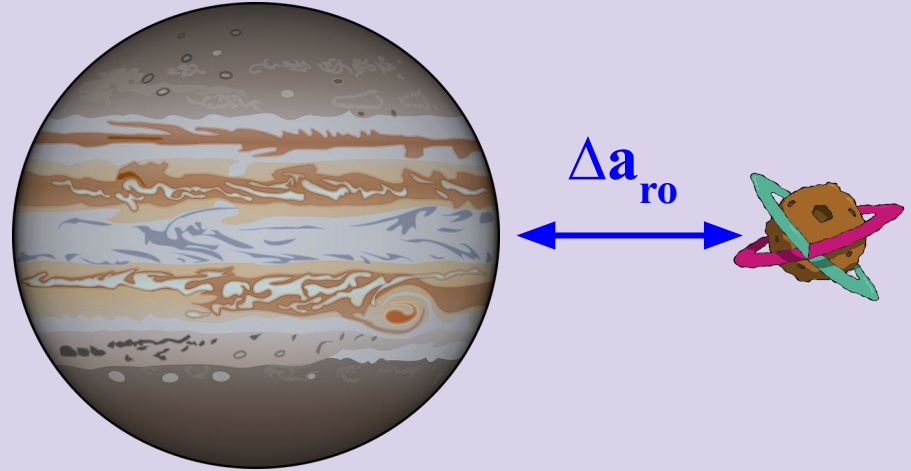
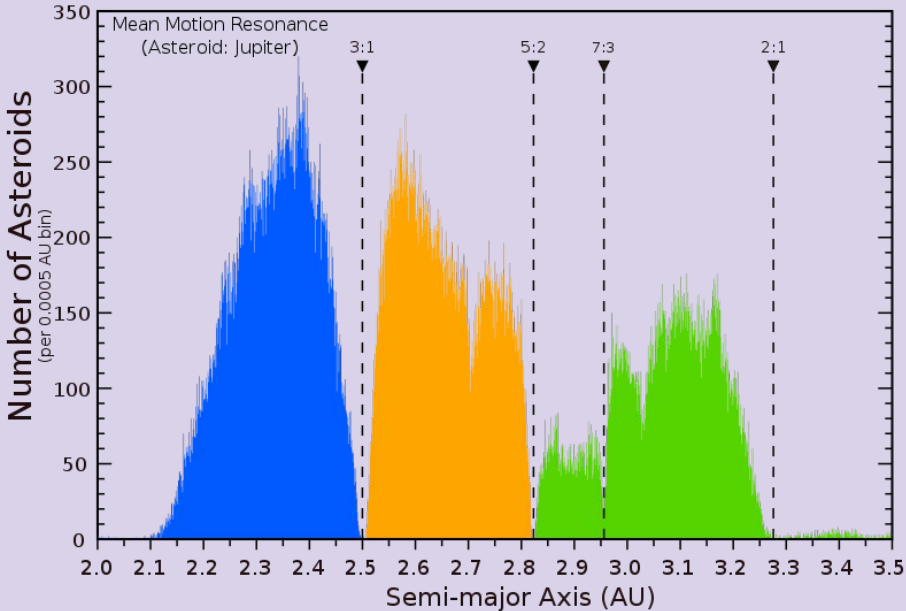
# How are brown dwarf masses currently calculated?



# Chaotic Zone Measurements


$$\Delta a_{ro} = a_p c \mu^{2/7}$$

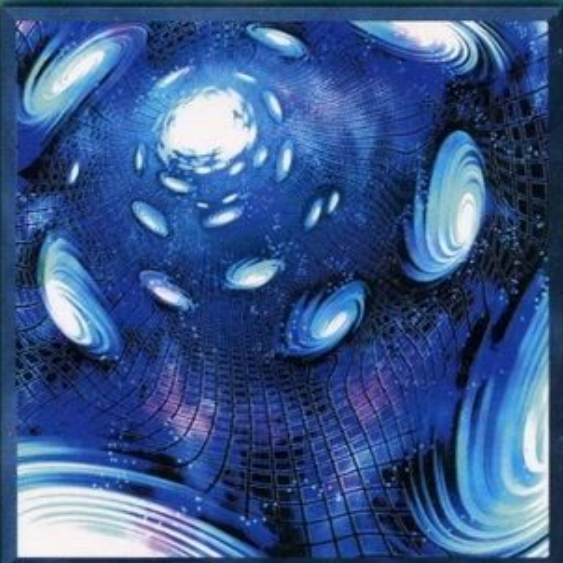
Asteroid Main-Belt Distribution  
Kirkwood Gaps



# CHAOS ZONE



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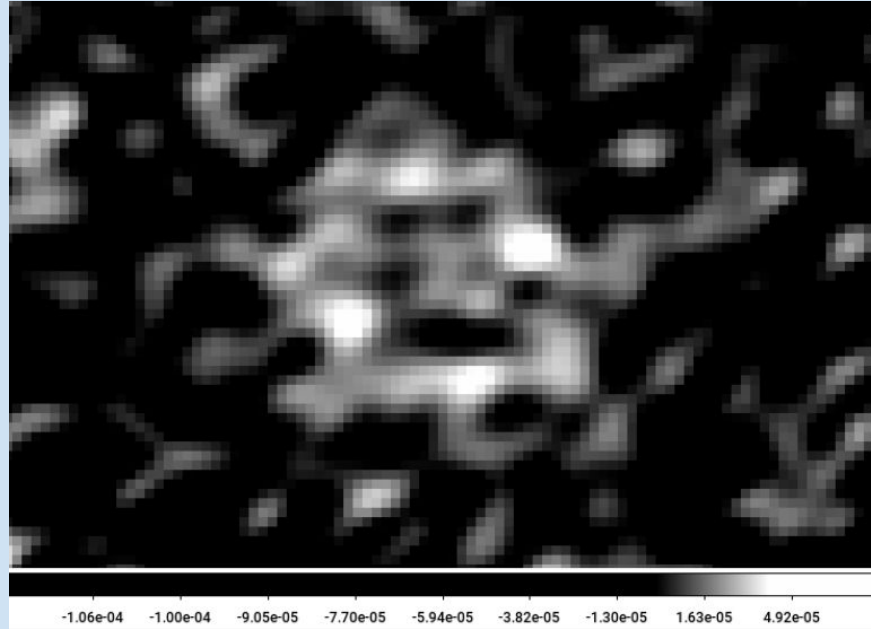
1<sup>st</sup> Edition

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Each time a monster(s) is banished, place 1 Chaos Counter on this card for each of those monsters. Once per turn: You can remove 4 or more Chaos Counters from your side of the field to target 1 banished monster with a Level equal to the number of Chaos Counters removed; Special Summon that target. When this card on the field is sent to the Graveyard by your opponent's card effect: You can add 1 LIGHT or DARK monster from your Deck to your hand, whose Level is less than or equal to the number of Chaos Counters that were on this card.



# First resolved image of the disk!



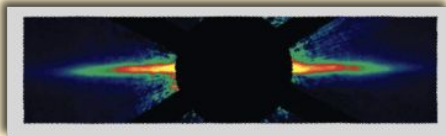
Source: ALMA (July 2017)



# Debris vs. protoplanetary disks

## Debris disks

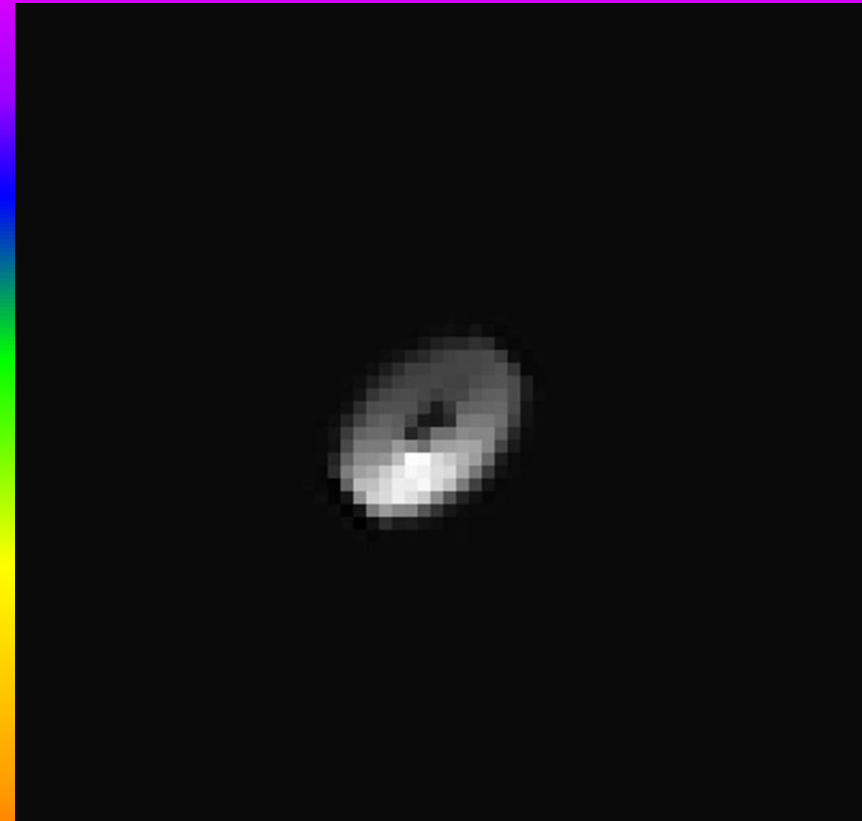
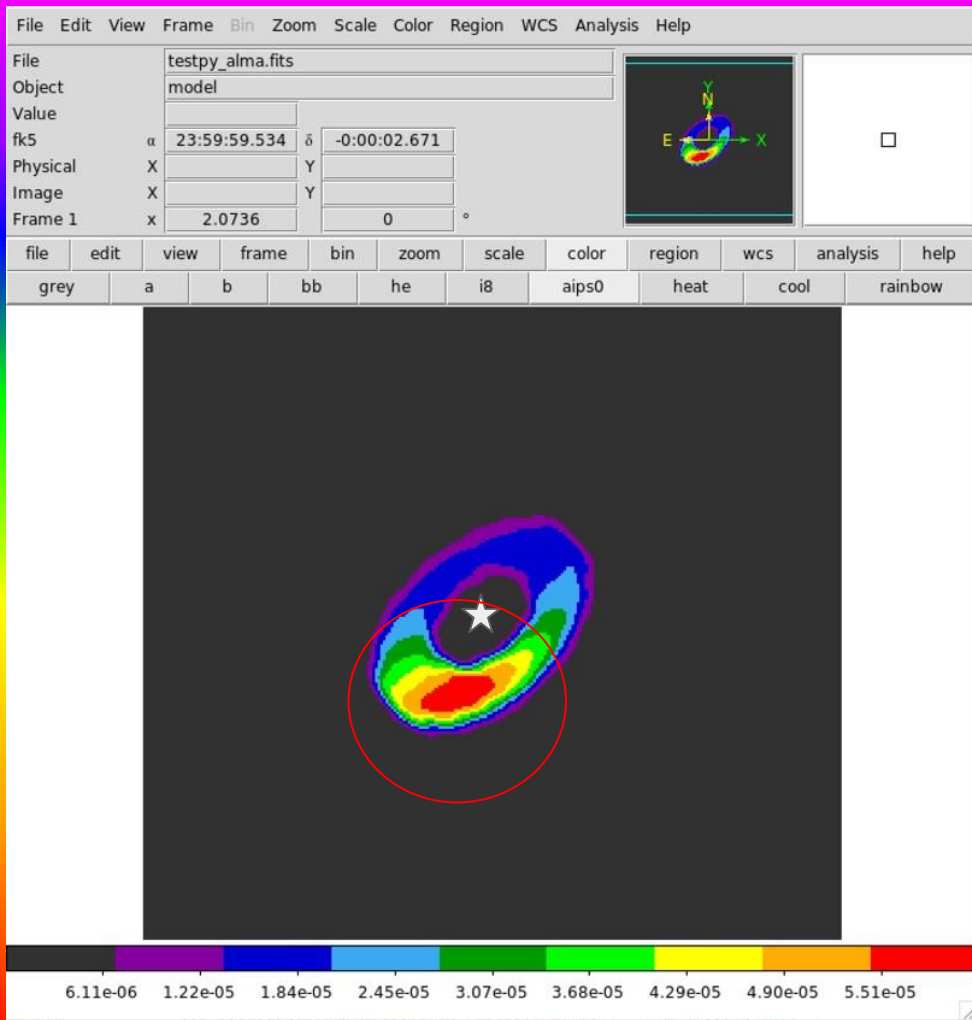
- Vertically isothermal
- Optically thin
- Gas-poor
- Vertical density structure modelled like a Gaussian in height above and below the disk



## Protoplanetary disks

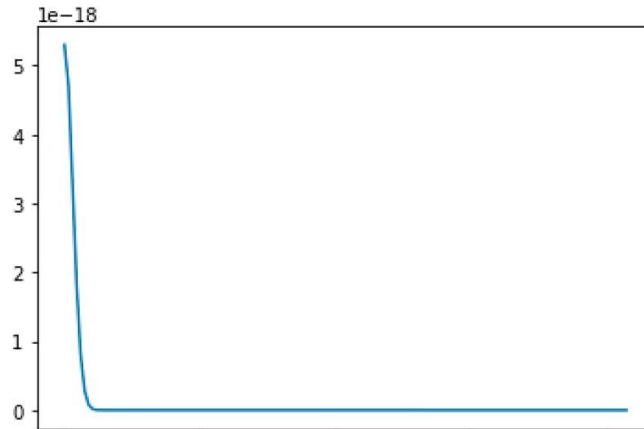
- Hottest on the surface
- Optically thick
- Gas-rich
- Vertical density structure is dependent on hydrostatic equilibrium



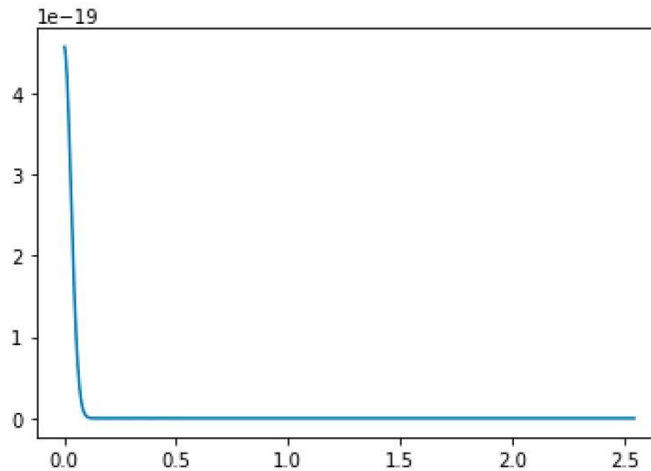


Some sample disks modelled this year using custom data. It looks good!

## Dust density graphed as a function of distance above the midplane (100 AU)



Independently  
graphed in  
Python



Graph generated by  
modelling code

# Thank you so much!



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