Searching the First Hydrostatic Cores in the Perseus Molecular Cloud



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First collapse

Compressional heating Radiative cooling T~200K

First Core Here!

a quasi-adiabatic hydrostatic object mostly H_2 shock form at the surface

Second collapse

Release gravitational energy consumed by H₂ dissociation

Second core / Class 0 protostar mostly H atom

Isothermal collapse (10K)

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First Hydrostatic Core (FHC)

- > The transient phase between prestellar cores and Class 0 protostars.
- > Short lifetime ($10^3 10^4$ yr, Boss & Yorke 1995).
- ➢ No near infrared continuum.
- Slow outflows (a few km/s).
- Can be heated over ~100K in a very short period ~ 5000 yr. due to the accretion shocks (Masunaga & Inutsuka 2000).
- Size about ~AU
- > Extremely difficult to be detected directly.
- > It is a key to understand the earliest stage of star formation.

The aim of this project

- Several FHCs candidates were suggested (< 10), but none of them have been confirmed.
- ➢ In this work, we produce synthesis images using CASA simulation based on a simple density profile model. We match the simulated images to the First Core candidates B1-bN with SMA, ALMA and VLA observational results.
- Our simulations show that with ALMA observations, we can decouple the FHC component from envelope.
- The identification of FHCs will make great strides in our understanding of star formation.

First Core candidates

- Chamaeleon-MMS1 (Belloche et al. 2006) (Tsitali et al. 2013) (Väisälä et al. 2014)
- > L1448 IRS2E (Chen et al. 2010)
- Per-bolo 58 (Enoch et al. 2010) (Dunham et al. 2011)
- L1451-mm (Pineda et al. 2011) (Maureira et al. 2017)
- Per-Bolo 45 (Schnee et al. 2012)
- > CB 17 (Chen et al. 2012) (Schmalzl et al. 2014)
- B1-bS and B1-bN (Pezzuto et al. 2012) (Huang & Hirano 2013) (Hirano & Liu. 2014) (Gerin et al. 2015)
- ➢ IC 348-SMM2E (Palau et al. 2014)

First Core candidates in the Perseus Molecular Cloud



B1-bN & B1-bS



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B1-bN & B1-bS



(solid contours) continuum maps of the B1-b region on top of the Spitzer MIPS 24 μm image (gray scale).

B1-bN & B1-bS



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Hirano & Liu. 2014
850 μm (dot contours) and 3.3 mm (solid contours) continuum maps of the B1-b region on top of the Spitzer MIPS 24 μm image (gray scale).



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B1-bN & B1-bS Synthesis images from interferometer: Resolve out the envelope and Resolve the First Core directly?

24 μm image (gray scale).





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SEDs of First Hydrostatic Core



SED of B1-bN (Envelope + Compact core?)

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Build a First Core model

The idea is to build a First Core model (Envelope + Compact component).
 Using B1-bN as a standard.

> The envelope is constrained by single dish observations.

> The compact component can be resolved by the interferometry.

We run CASA "simobserve" task to produce synthesis images of our model. Compare our model to B1 bN

Compare our model to B1-bN.

Build a First Core model



Compare the model images to real observations









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Annular analysis



Testing different parameters of our model



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Summary

- We produce FHC synthesis images using CASA 'simobserve' based on a simple model.
- The aim is to see whether the First Core can be resolve by the interferometry or not.
- ➤We mimic the the simulated image of B1-bN to match the observational results from :
- ✓ Hirano & Liu (2014), which present SMA 1.1mm continuum images,
- ✓ Tobin et al. (2016), which present VLA 8mm continuum images,
- ✓ ALMA band 7 continuum images(Gerin et al. 2015).
- > We test different density profiles of our model, the slope of the density profile of envelope may be ~ $\rho \propto$ r ^{-3.2}
- ≻A hot compact object must be added at the center (FHC?).
- This model may be use to identify First Hydrostatic Cores!