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A $10\text{-}M_{\odot}$ YSO with a Keplerian disk and a nonthermal radio jet

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ABSTRACT

Context. To constrain present star formation models, we need to simultaneously establish the dynamical and physical properties of disks and jets around young stars.

Aims. We previously observed the star-forming region G16.59–0.05 through interferometric observations of both thermal and maser lines, and identified a high-mass young stellar object (YSO) which is surrounded by an accretion disk and drives a nonthermal radio jet. Our goals are to establish the physical conditions of the environment hosting the high-mass YSO and to study the kinematics of the surrounding gas in detail.

Methods. We performed high-angular-resolution (beam FWHM $\approx 0''.15$) 1.2-mm continuum and line observations towards G16.59–0.05 with the Atacama Large Millimeter Array (ALMA).

Results. The main dust clump, with size $\approx 10^4$ au, is resolved into four distinct, relatively compact (diameter ~ 2000 au) millimeter (mm) sources. The source harboring the high-mass YSO is the most prominent in molecular emission. By fitting the emission profiles of several unblended and optically thin transitions of CH_3OCH_3 and CH_3OH , we derived gas temperatures inside the mm sources in the range 42–131 K, and calculated masses of 1–5 M_{\odot} . A well-defined Local Standard of Rest (LSR) velocity (V_{LSR}) gradient is detected in most of the high-density molecular tracers at the position of the high-mass YSO, pinpointed by compact 22-GHz free-free emission. This gradient is oriented along a direction forming a large ($\approx 70^\circ$) angle with the radio jet, traced by elongated 13-GHz continuum emission. The butterfly-like shapes of the P-V plots and the linear pattern of the emission peaks of the molecular lines at high velocity confirm that this V_{LSR} gradient is due to rotation of the gas in the disk surrounding the high-mass YSO. The disk radius is ≈ 500 au, and the V_{LSR} distribution along the major axis of the disk is well reproduced by a Keplerian profile around a central mass of $10 \pm 2 M_{\odot}$. The position of the YSO is offset by $\geq 0''.1$ from the axis of the radio jet and the dust emission peak. To explain this displacement we argue that the high-mass YSO could have moved from the center of the parental mm source owing to dynamical interaction with one or more companions.

Key words. ISM: jets and outflows – ISM: molecules – Masers – Radio continuum: ISM – Techniques: interferometric

1. Introduction

The formation of stars in the mass interval 1–20 M_{\odot} involves accretion disks and fast collimated outflows or jets. Atacama Large Millimeter Array (ALMA) observations at very high angular resolution ($\leq 0''.1$) have recently provided clear examples of disk-jet systems around young stellar objects (YSO) with luminosities from low-mass to late O-type zero-age-main-sequence (ZAMS) stars (Lee et al. 2017; Ginsburg et al. 2018; Sanna et al. 2018a). From a theoretical point of view, the role played by turbulence, magnetic field, gravitational instability and radiation feedback in defining the properties of the system (disk size and velocity profile; jet orientation and collimation) is still highly debated (Matsumoto et al. 2017; Tan et al. 2014; Kuiper & Hosokawa 2018). Detailed studies of disk-jet systems are therefore essential to constrain current star-formation models.

Since all star-formation models state that accretion and ejection are intimately related, studying the properties of the outflows from YSOs, which are much more extended and easier to observe than the small accretion disks, can be an effective way of probing the disk-jet systems. Observations reveal different characteristics for solar-type and B-type YSOs: 1) the molecular

outflows tend to be less collimated with increasing YSO mass (Beuther & Shepherd 2005), and 2) only a few radio jets are known in B-type YSOs, whereas they are commonly observed towards low-mass protostars (Moscadelli et al. 2016; Sanna et al. 2018b). If the larger distances and the more rapid evolution of B-type YSOs could in part explain these differences, we know that additional processes are at work in the formation of the most massive stars. In comparison with low-mass protostars, the formation of B-type YSOs involves more energetic stellar radiation, which can ionize the surrounding gas and exert radiation pressure on it. The combined action of the magnetic field, the thermal pressure of the ionized gas, and the radiation pressure has been modeled by several authors (see, e.g., Peters et al. 2011; Vaidya et al. 2011), and results in a lower collimation of the outflow. Another notable difference is that more massive B-type stars form in richer clusters (Carpenter et al. 1997; Hillenbrand & Hartmann 1998), and dynamical and radiative interactions among cluster members can significantly affect the properties of the disk-jet systems, causing disk fragmentation, jet precession, or even disruption of the system (see, e.g., Farias & Tan 2018).

In this paper we report on recent ALMA observations of the star-forming region (SFR) G16.59–0.05, also known as IRAS 18182–1433. This region has been the target of several millimeter (mm) and centimeter (cm) interferometric (Submillimeter Array, Owens Valley Radio Observatory, Plateau de Bure Interferometer, Very Large Array (VLA)) and Very Long Baseline Interferometry (VLBI) observations (Beuther et al. 2006; Zapata et al. 2006; Furuya et al. 2008; Sanna et al. 2010; Moscadelli et al. 2013). The bolometric luminosity of the region is $\sim 10^4 L_{\odot}$ (Moscadelli et al. 2013) at a distance of 3.6 ± 0.3 kpc, as determined via maser trigonometric parallax observations (Sato et al. 2014). Inside a molecular clump of size ≈ 0.5 pc and mass $\approx 1900 M_{\odot}$ (Beuther et al. 2002), the VLA C-Array observations at 3.6, 1.3, and 0.7 cm by Zapata et al. (2006) identified two compact cm sources, named “a” and “b”, separated by $\approx 2''$ along the SE–NW direction. From previous mm interferometric observations we know that, while source “a” coincides with the peak of the dust emission, indicating that this source is the most embedded, source “b” is found in good positional correspondence with intense, high-density molecular tracers, marking a hot molecular core (HMC).

European VLBI Network (EVN) observations of the 6.7-GHz methanol masers demonstrate that this maser emission is associated with the HMC and traces an elongated structure of ≈ 2000 au, with the three-dimensional (3D) maser velocity pattern suggesting rotation (Sanna et al. 2010, see their Fig. 7) about a central mass of $\approx 12 M_{\odot}$ (Moscadelli et al. 2013). The sensitive Jansky Very Large Array (JVLA) A-Array observations at 5, 2.3, and 1.3 cm by Moscadelli et al. (2013, see their Fig. 1) resolve the compact cm source “b” into a radio jet, elongated $\approx 3''$ along the E–W direction. The spectral index of the jet is negative, indicating nonthermal emission over most of the jet, except the peak close to the maser disk, where thermal free-free emission is observed (Moscadelli et al. 2013, see their Fig. 2). Water masers, monitored with the Very Long Baseline Array (VLBA) by Sanna et al. (2010), are distributed close to the HMC, and appear to trace a wide, fast bow-shock at the head of the western lobe of the radio jet.

The combination of a rotating disk, as suggested by the 6.7-GHz maser proper motions, and a nonthermal radio jet, one of the few observed in high-mass SFRs (see, e.g., Rodríguez-Kamenetzky et al. 2017), makes G16.59–0.05 a promising target to constrain the formation mechanism of B-type stars. For this reason, we conducted new ALMA observations towards G16.59–0.05, as described in Sect. 2. In Sect. 3, we report our observational results presenting a general view of the physical conditions and kinematics of the gas at the center of the mm clump. Section 4 derives the properties of the disk and the YSO, and Sect. 5 provides a more general discussion of the geometrical and physical relations among the YSO, the disk, and the jet. Finally, our conclusions are presented in Sect. 6.

2. ALMA observations

ALMA observed G16.59–0.05 during Cycle 3 in September 2016. Forty-seven 12-m antennae were used in an extended configuration with baselines ranging from 15 to 3300 m. The observing time on the target source was about 1.8 h. The bandpass calibrator was the strong quasar J1924–2914, and the phases were calibrated from interleaved observations (every 8–9 min) of the quasar J1832–2039, separated from the target on the sky by $\approx 7^{\circ}$. To check the astrometric accuracy, ALMA also observed the quasar J1830–1606, separated from the target by $\approx 3^{\circ}$. We have verified that the peak emission of the phase-calibrated im-

age of J1830–1606 differs from the nominal position by less than 10 mas, which provides an estimate of the astrometric uncertainty of our ALMA images.

The correlator frequency setup consisted of six spectral windows (SPWs), one broad 2-GHz spectral unit to obtain a sensitive continuum measurement at ≈ 242 GHz, and five narrower SPWs to cover a large number of lines, in particular the CH_3CN ($J = 14-13$), CH_3OH , and SiO rotational transitions. For each SPW, Table 1 reports the frequency coverage, spectral resolution, and sensitivity, and also indicates the most prominent molecular species.

Data calibration was performed using the pipeline for ALMA data analysis in the Common Astronomy Software Applications (CASA, McMullin et al. 2007) package, version 4.7. For each SPW, looking at the plots of (baseline-averaged) uv -amplitude versus channels, we selected the most intense emission line (always ≥ 10 times stronger than the continuum level of the uv -amplitude spectra), self-calibrated its channel-averaged emission, and, before imaging, applied the self-calibration phase solutions to all the channels of the SPW. Self-calibration improves the signal to noise ratio (S/N) of the final images of the SPWs by a factor of 1.1–1.5, with the larger gain factors obtained in correspondence with the stronger self-calibrated lines. The dynamical range of the line images varies in the range 20–50, depending on the considered SPW. The images for the continuum and line emissions were produced manually using the CLEAN task, with the robust parameter of Briggs (1995) set to 0.5, as a compromise between resolution and sensitivity to extended emission. The clean beam FWHM of the resulting images varies in the range $0''.13$ – $0''.17$. The mm continuum image of G16.59–0.05 has a 1σ rms noise level of $0.08 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$, limited by the dynamic range. The 1σ rms noise in a single spectral channel varies in the interval 1 – 3 mJy beam^{-1} , depending on the considered SPW/channel.

We have employed a specific procedure to determine the continuum level of the spectra and subtract it from the line emission. Since all the observed SPWs present a “line forest”, identifying the channels where no line emission is present is a very difficult task. For each SPW, we use STATCONT¹ (Sanchez-Monge et al. 2017), a statistical method to estimate the continuum level at each position of the map from the spectral distribution of the intensity at that position.

3. Results

This section presents the main results of our ALMA observations, first reporting on the physical properties of the parental core and then focusing on the kinematics of the embedded high-mass YSO, the main target of our study.

3.1. G16.59–0.05 B: the prominent molecular source in a cluster

The ALMA 1.2-mm continuum map presented in Fig. 1 reveals four main sources, distributed from SE to NW over a region of $\sim 10^4$ au. The source B corresponds to the HMC identified in previous interferometric observations at 3 and 1 mm (Furuya et al. 2008; Beuther et al. 2006), named source “b” in Moscadelli et al. (2013). The compact “mm core” from previous, lower-angular-resolution, interferometric observations, named source “a” in Moscadelli et al. (2013), is now resolved into three distinct sources, labeled A1, A2, and A3, separated by 2000–3000 au.

¹ <http://www.astro.uni-koeln.de/~sanchez/statcont>

Table 1. Spectral windows covered by the correlator set-up, with corresponding spectral resolutions and noise per channel.

| SPW | Frequency range (GHz) | Resolution (km s ⁻¹) | 1- σ noise ^a mJy beam ⁻¹ | Molecule ^b |
|-----|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| 0 | 240.748–242.748 | 19 | 0.08 | |
| 1 | 260.151–260.619 | 0.56 | 1.8 | SiO |
| 2 | 256.703–257.641 | 0.28 | 1.9 | CH ₃ CN |
| 3 | 241.629–241.863 | 0.30 | 2.9 | CH ₃ OH |
| 4 | 240.899–241.133 | 0.30 | 2.5 | C ³⁴ S |
| 5 | 241.499–241.733 | 0.60 | 2.6 | SO ₂ |

Notes.

^(a) For the SPW 0, the reported noise is for the frequency-averaged image, while for the other SPWs it has been estimated in the channel corresponding to the strongest emission in the bandwidth. This value is only indicative, as it can change significantly from channel to channel.

^(b) Most prominent species in the SPW.

Considering emission down to 10% of the peak, the sources B, A2, and A3 are relatively compact with size $\lesssim 0''.5$, while A1 has a significantly flatter spatial distribution extending up to $\approx 1''.5$.

Figure 2 shows the spectra of the CH₃CN and CH₃OH lines prominent in our ALMA frequency setup, extracted at the position of the 1.2-mm peak for each of the four continuum sources. In agreement with previous findings, the molecular emission is significantly stronger towards B (by a factor of 2.5–5). While in sources A1 and A2 the intensity of the CH₃CN and CH₃OH lines is comparable, in A3 only weak CH₃OH emission is detected. Table 2 lists all the molecular lines analyzed in this paper. The intense lines of CH₃CN and CH₃OH are mostly employed to trace the gas kinematics inside B. While the optical depth of these lines close to the peak approaches 1 in some cases, the line wings are always optically thin and allow us to map the gas kinematics around the high-mass YSO in B with good S/N. Using the SLIM (Spectral Line Identification and Modeling) tool of MADCUBA², we surveyed the spectra of the four mm sources to search for molecular species with a relatively large number of unblended and optically thin lines suitable for deriving the gas physical conditions. We selected the transitions of the CH₃OCH₃ and CH₃OH³ molecules reported in boldface characters in Table 2, which have optical depths of less (or much less) than 0.5, and cover a sufficiently wide range in excitation energy to guarantee a good estimate of the excitation temperature. To derive the physical parameters we used the tool AUTOFIT of MADCUBA, which compares the observed spectra with the LTE synthetic spectra, taking into account all transitions and the line opacities. Leaving four parameters free to vary, that is, column density (N_{col}), excitation temperature (T_{ex}), Local Standard of Rest (LSR) velocity (V_{LSR}), and line width (FWHM), AUTOFIT provides the best nonlinear least-squared fit using the Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm. Figure 3 shows that the emission profiles of the unblended CH₃OCH₃ and CH₃OH transitions are reasonably well fitted with MADCUBA, determining the values of column density, temperature, velocity and line width listed in Table 3. The masses in molecular gas of the mm sources are derived from the mm fluxes (integrating inside the contours at 10% of the peak marked in Fig. 1) and the fitted gas temperatures, assuming a dust opacity of $1 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ at 1.4 mm

(Ossenkopf & Henning 1994) and a gas-to-dust mass ratio of 100. We used the mm continuum peak flux and the fitted gas temperature to estimate the optical depth of the dust emission inside the mm sources, ranging from 0.25 for source B to 0.45 for source A3. For each mm source, the mass value reported in Table 3 was corrected using the corresponding dust opacity. The flux error is evaluated by considering the contributions of the rms noise of the dust continuum map close to the intense sources, $\approx 0.4 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$, and the ALMA flux calibration uncertainty of 5%, as recently estimated from the analysis of calibrators in bands 3 and 6 by Bonato et al. (2018, see also references therein). The uncertainty in the mass of the mm sources is derived by taking into account both the flux and gas temperature uncertainties.

3.2. The massive YSO Bm

We now focus on the gas kinematics around the massive YSO inside the mm source B. In the following we refer to this YSO as Bm. This is probably the most massive object in source B. A well-defined, SW-NE V_{LSR} gradient is detected at the position of Bm in all the observed high-density gas tracers. Figures 4, 5, and 6 present results from low- E_u lines of CH₃OH, CH₃CN, and C³⁴S, respectively. We note that the JVLA 22-GHz continuum, pinpointing the YSO, falls exactly between the SW blue-shifted and the NE red-shifted line emission, and that the direction of the V_{LSR} gradient forms a large ($\approx 70^\circ$) angle with the radio jet traced by the extended JVLA 13-GHz continuum. These findings suggest that the V_{LSR} gradient could be due to rotation of the gas in an envelope and/or disk surrounding the YSO.

The P-V plots produced along the axis (at PA = 18°) of the V_{LSR} gradient confirm that we are observing envelope-disk rotation. The plots have a butterfly-like shape (mostly clear in Fig. 6 for the C³⁴S line), with well-defined spurs at high absolute velocities and small offsets in the second and fourth quadrants. These spurs correspond to gas whose line-of-sight velocity increases with decreasing radius and could be consistent with Keplerian rotation. In Sect. 4, we fit the velocity profile and estimate the disk radius and mass, and the YSO mass. Here, we constrain the YSO V_{LSR} and position by inspecting the P-V plots. The positional offset (along the axis at PA = 18°) of the YSO is delimited by the offsets of the high-velocity spurs in the second and fourth quadrants of the P-V plots, falling inside the interval $0''-0''.15$ (see Fig. 6). The spurs at low (line of sight) velocities and large offsets are less clear, because they are contaminated by emission of the ambient gas at the systemic velocity. We make use of the P-V plot of the C³⁴S line (see Fig. 6) to confidently set a

² Madrid Data Cube Analysis on Image (MADCUBA) is a software developed in the Center of Astrobiology (Madrid, INTA-CSIC) to visualize and analyze astronomical (single) spectra and data cubes (Martín et al, in prep.; Rivilla et al. 2016); website: <http://cab.inta-csic.es/madcuba/Portada.html>.

³ CH₃OH transitions are used to derive the physical conditions in A3 only, since in this source the emission of CH₃OCH₃ is not detected.

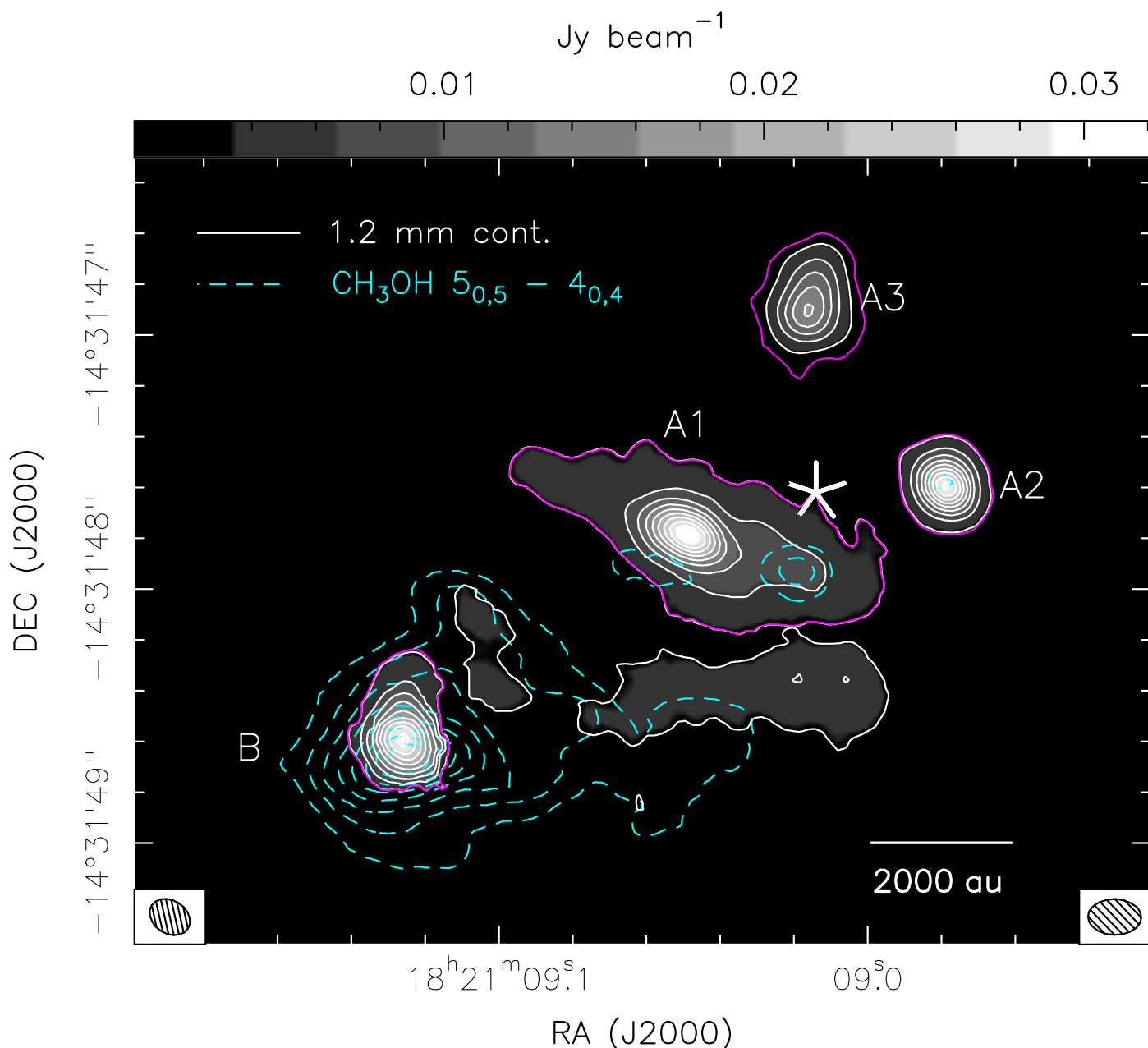


Fig. 1. The gray-scale map and white contours reproduce the ALMA 1.2-mm continuum. The color scale at the top gives the intensity of the map. The plotted levels are from 10 to 90% of 0.032 Jy beam⁻¹ in steps of 10%. The main continuum sources are indicated with their corresponding labels. The level at 10% of the peak around each source is plotted in magenta. The velocity-integrated intensity of the CH₃OH 5_{0,5}-4_{0,4} line is shown with dashed cyan contours, plotting levels from 20 to 90% of 1.1 Jy beam⁻¹ km s⁻¹ in steps of 10%. The ALMA beams for the continuum and the CH₃OH 5_{0,5}-4_{0,4} line are reported on the bottom left and right corners, respectively. The big white star marks the position of source “a” (Moscadelli et al. 2013).

range of values for the YSO V_{LSR} within 60–61 km s⁻¹. These constraints for the YSO position and the V_{LSR} are used in the following analysis.

Looking at Figs. 4, 5, and 6 (left panels), in all the three molecular tracers the blue-shifted emission extends over an area significantly smaller than that of the red-shifted emission. Moreover, while the red-shifted emission is distributed approximately symmetrically about the major axis of the envelope-disk, the barycenter of the blue-shifted gas is offset to W. These asymmetries in the velocity distribution of the gas around Bm are further discussed in Sects. 5.1 and 5.2.

3.3. The surroundings of Bm

We now consider a larger region encompassing the jet emerging from Bm. Figures 7 and 8 show the channel maps of two intense CH₃CN lines with quite different excitations, the $J_K = 14_2-13_2$ with $E_u/k = 121$ K and the $J_K = 14_7-13_7$ with $E_u/k = 442$ K. These two lines are representative of the velocity distribution of the large majority of the low- and high-excitation molecular transitions detected towards Bm. At high velocities (channels with $V_{\text{LSR}} \leq 56$ km s⁻¹ or ≥ 63 km s⁻¹) both low- and high-excitation molecular lines trace the compact disk close to the high-mass YSO. At $V_{\text{LSR}} \approx 55$ km s⁻¹, a compact source is detected only in low-excitation lines at ≈ 0.6 towards N-NW of the mm peak of

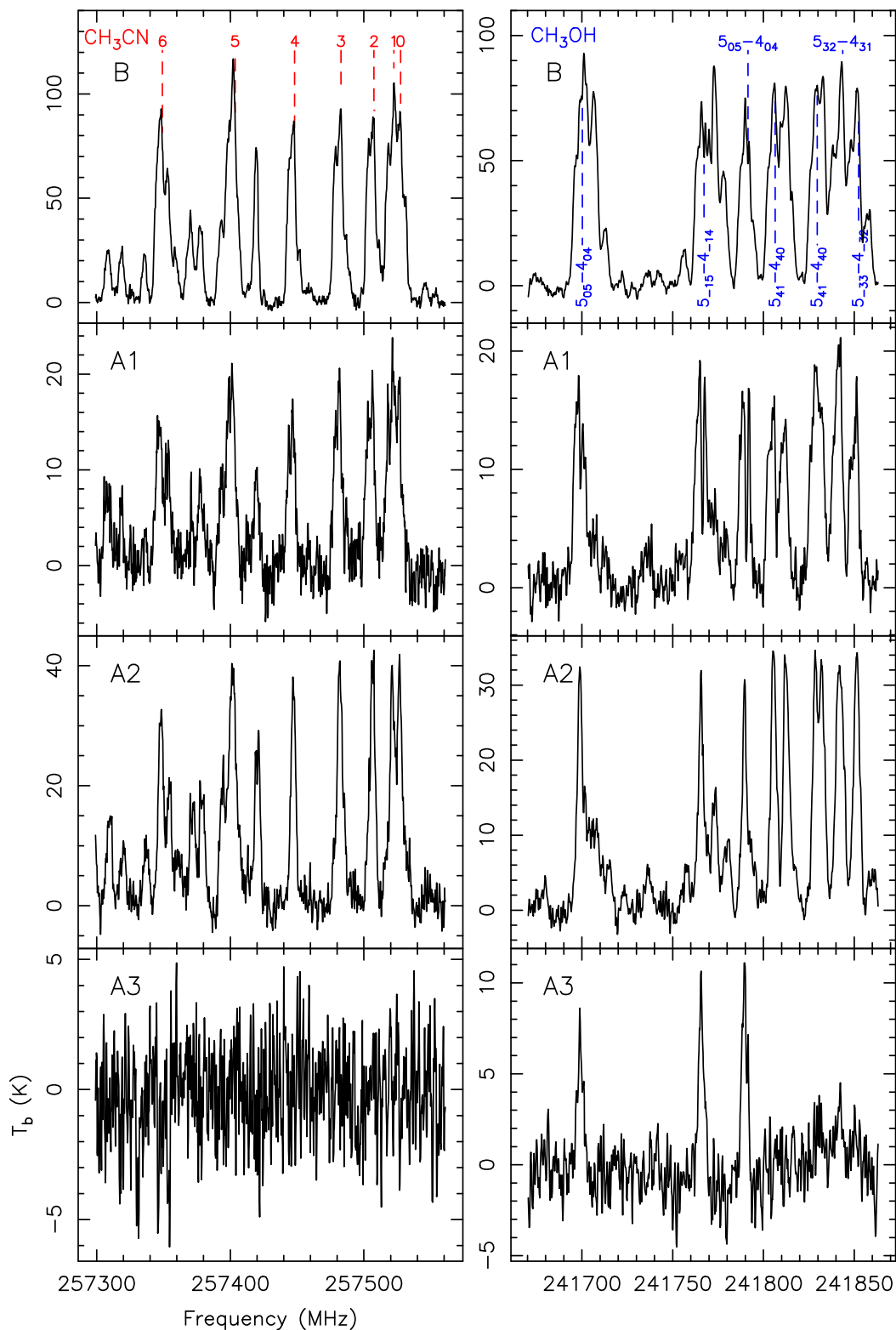


Fig. 2. Spectra of the prominent lines of CH_3CN ($J = 14-13$) (left panels) and CH_3OH (right panels) extracted at the position of the 1.2-mm peak for each of the four continuum sources B, A1, A2 and A3 (from top to bottom, respectively). The spectra are shown as brightness temperature vs. rest frequency. The transitions of the two molecular species (see Table 2) are labeled in the upper panels.

source B, in proximity to the weak continuum emission and the cluster of water masers located at the largest distance from the radio jet. In the following, we refer to this compact source as B-NW. At central velocities ($56 \text{ km s}^{-1} \leq V_{\text{LSR}} \leq 63 \text{ km s}^{-1}$), low-excitation lines show extended emission emerging from (only) the western side of the jet at blue-shifted velocity, and from an

arc-like/linear bridge at blue-/red-shifted velocities connecting the massive YSO Bm with the compact source B-NW. High-excitation lines have a quasi-compact structure also at central velocities, with some notable features: 1) at $V_{\text{LSR}} \approx 59 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, a slightly resolved funnel-like structure is traced on top of the western lobe of the jet near Bm, and 2) at $V_{\text{LSR}} \approx 57-58 \text{ km s}^{-1}$,

Table 2. List of the molecular transitions considered in this work. The transitions given in boldface characters have been fitted with MAD-CUBA to determine the gas physical conditions.

| Mol. Species | Frequency (MHz) | Resolved QNs | E_u/k (K) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--|-------------------|
| CH ₃ OH | 241590.115 | 25 _{3,22} –25 _{2,23} | 804 |
| | 241700.219 | 5_{0,5}–4_{0,4} | 48 |
| | 241767.224 | 5_{-1,5}–4_{-1,4} | 40 |
| | 241791.431 | 5_{0,5}–4_{0,4} | 35 |
| | 241806.508 | 5 _{4,1} –4 _{4,0} | 115 |
| | 241829.646 | 5 _{4,1} –4 _{4,0} | 131 |
| | 241843.608 | 5_{3,2}–4_{3,1} | 83 |
| | 257402.190 | 18 _{3,16} –18 _{2,17} | 447 |
| | 260381.560 | 20 _{3,18} –20 _{2,19} | 537 |
| | CH ₃ CN | 257127.035 | $J_K = 14_9-13_9$ |
| 257210.877 | | $J_K = 14_8-13_8$ | 549 |
| 257284.935 | | $J_K = 14_7-13_7$ | 442 |
| 257349.179 | | $J_K = 14_6-13_6$ | 350 |
| 257448.128 | | $J_K = 14_4-13_4$ | 207 |
| 257482.791 | | $J_K = 14_3-13_3$ | 157 |
| 257507.561 | | $J_K = 14_2-13_2$ | 121 |
| C ³⁴ S | 241016.089 | $J = 5-4$ | 28 |
| CH ₃ OCH ₃ | 240978.322 | 5_{3,3}–4_{2,2} | 26 |
| | 240982.799 | 5_{3,3}–4_{2,2} | 26 |
| | 240985.078 | 5_{3,3}–4_{2,2} | 26 |
| | 240989.939 | 5_{3,3}–4_{2,2} | 26 |
| | 241523.829 | 5_{3,2}–4_{2,3} | 26 |
| | 241528.306 | 5_{3,2}–4_{2,3} | 26 |
| | 241528.692 | 5_{3,2}–4_{2,3} | 26 |
| | 241530.972 | 5_{3,2}–4_{2,3} | 26 |
| | 241635.940 | 21_{3,18}–20_{4,17} | 226 |
| | 241637.327 | 21_{3,18}–20_{4,17} | 226 |
| | 241638.713 | 21_{3,18}–20_{4,17} | 226 |
| | 241638.717 | 21_{3,18}–20_{4,17} | 226 |
| | 257048.633 | 18_{2,16}–17_{3,15} | 164 |
| | 257049.945 | 18_{2,16}–17_{3,15} | 164 |
| | 257051.256 | 18_{2,16}–17_{3,15} | 164 |
| | 257051.258 | 18_{2,16}–17_{3,15} | 164 |
| | 260327.165 | 19_{5,15}–19_{4,16} | 208 |
| | 260327.238 | 19_{5,15}–19_{4,16} | 208 |
| | 260329.312 | 19_{5,15}–19_{4,16} | 208 |
| | 260331.422 | 19_{5,15}–19_{4,16} | 208 |
| | 260400.617 | 16_{5,11}–16_{4,12} | 159 |
| | 260401.254 | 16_{5,11}–16_{4,12} | 159 |
| | 260403.392 | 16_{5,11}–16_{4,12} | 159 |
| | 260405.845 | 16_{5,11}–16_{4,12} | 159 |
| | 260615.883 | 25_{5,21}–25_{4,22} | 332 |
| | 260615.883 | 25_{5,21}–25_{4,22} | 332 |
| | 260616.584 | 25_{5,21}–25_{4,22} | 332 |
| | 260617.285 | 25_{5,21}–25_{4,22} | 332 |

an emission spot is observed adjacent to the radio jet towards N. This latter feature is referred to as HS in the following.

The radio jet from Bm is one of the few known cases of nonthermal jets from high-mass YSOs. In particular, the eastern lobe of the radio jet is well detected with the JVLA at 6 GHz, and is very weak and/or undetected at frequencies ≥ 10 GHz (Moscadelli et al. 2013, see their Figs. 1 and 2). Our ALMA observations confirm the presence of a strong asymmetry between the eastern and western lobes of the jet, with the western lobe being much more intense in both continuum and molecular lines. Considering also the distribution of the dust emission (see

Fig. 1), predominant towards W-NW of Bm, the simplest explanation for all these facts is an E-W density gradient at the position of Bm. Integrating the ALMA 1.2-mm continuum inside the area of each jet lobe, we estimate that the average gas density in the western lobe is about one order of magnitude larger than in the eastern lobe.

4. The Keplerian disk around the high-mass YSO Bm

In this section, we derive the properties of the YSO Bm and its disk. The angular resolution of the P-V plots shown in Figs. 4, 5, and 6 varies in the range $0''.13-0''.17$, reflecting the FWHM of the observing beam at the frequency of the molecular line employed to produce the P-V plot. The emission at high blue- (≤ 56 km s⁻¹) and red-shifted (≥ 63 km s⁻¹) velocities is approximatively compact (see Figs. 7 and 8), which allows us to fit a 2D Gaussian profile and determine the peak position at each velocity channel. The positional accuracy is equal to $\frac{\text{FWHM}}{2.0} \frac{\sigma}{I}$ (see, e.g., Reid et al. 1988), where I and σ are the peak intensity and the rms noise, respectively, of a given channel. With typical values of the ratio $\frac{I}{\sigma} \approx 30$, the error on the position of the fitted channel peaks is as small as a few mas. For channels where the emission is sufficiently compact, this method increases the (relative) positional accuracy by a large factor, while retaining the essential information of the P-V plots.

In Fig. 9 we show that the spatial distribution of the high-velocity emission of CH₃OH and CH₃CN is elongated along the same PA = $18 \pm 3^\circ$, which we take as the direction of the major axis of the molecular disk around the high-mass YSO Bm. As already noted in Sect. 3.2 for the SW-NE V_{LSR} gradient, the red-shifted side of the disk is significantly longer than the blue-shifted side. Along the red-shifted side, $\approx 0''.15$ or ≈ 500 au in extent, the gas V_{LSR} increases monotonically approaching the YSO, ranging from ≈ 62 km s⁻¹ up to ≈ 69 km s⁻¹. On the contrary, the blue-shifted side of the disk is traced only at the lowest velocities, 50–55 km s⁻¹; the mildly blue-shifted channels, in the range 55–60 km s⁻¹, show more extended structure, which tends to be elongated to the W of Bm along the radio jet (see Fig. 7).

Comparing the two molecular tracers in Fig. 9, the red-shifted side of the disk appears to be better traced by the CH₃OH lines, whose spatial distribution is flatter and more extended than that of the CH₃CN lines. Table 2 shows that the upper energy level (E_u) of the CH₃OH transitions is on average lower than that of the CH₃CN lines. Since the gas temperature in the central layers of the disk is expected to be relatively low, it is reasonable that the CH₃OH transitions are found to be better tracers of the disk midplane. Accordingly, examining the different CH₃OH transitions (see Table 2), we find that the ones with $E_u \leq 150$ K present a significantly flatter and more elongated spatial distribution. Considering only the CH₃OH transitions with $20 \leq E_u \leq 150$ K, Fig. 10 plots V_{LSR} versus positions projected along the disk major-axis. While the radial profile of the red-shifted velocities is well reproduced with a Keplerian curve (as described below), the blue-shifted emission concentrates within a small offset range ($\leq 0''.04$) and cannot be adequately fitted. However, the average position and V_{LSR} of the blue-shifted emission is useful to constrain the position and the V_{LSR} of the YSO.

The free parameters of the Keplerian fit are the YSO's positional offset, S_\star , LSR velocity, V_\star , and mass, $M_\star \sin^2(i)$. Indicating with i the inclination of the disk rotation axis with the line of sight, the formulation of the latter parameter takes into account that the disk plane is actually seen at an angle $90 - i$

Table 3. Physical parameters of the mm sources

| mm source | Flux (mJy) | $\log(N_{\text{col}})$ (cm^{-2}) | T_{ex} (K) | V_{LSR} (km s^{-1}) | FWHM (km s^{-1}) | Mass (M_{\odot}) |
|-----------|---------------|--|------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| B | 70±6 | 17.8±16.6 | 131±11 | 62.3±0.2 | 5.1±0.5 | 1.8±0.3 |
| A1 | 164±18 | 17.2±16.4 | 111±18 | 62.4±0.5 | 4±1 | 5.1±1.5 |
| A2 | 44±4 | 17.6±16.6 | 106±16 | 61.1±0.4 | 4.6±0.9 | 1.4±0.4 |
| A3 | 41±5 | 15.6±15.1 | 42±7 | 62.1±0.5 | 3.4±0.9 | 4.0±1.3 |

Notes. Column 1 indicates the mm source; column 2 lists the 1.2-mm flux calculated by integrating inside the contour at 10% of the peak around each source (see Fig. 1); column 3 reports the column density of the molecular species fitted with MADCUBA: (1) CH_3OCH_3 for sources B, A1, and A2, and (2) CH_3OH for A3; columns 4, 5, and 6 give, respectively, the excitation temperature, velocity, and line width of the fitted molecular lines; column 6 lists the estimated mass of the mm source.

from the line of sight, and the fitted V_{LSR} correspond to the actual rotation velocities multiplied by the factor $\sin(i)$. We have minimized the following χ^2 expression:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_j \frac{[V_j - (V_{\star} \pm 0.5 (M_{\star} \sin^2(i))^{0.5} |S_j - S_{\star}|^{-0.5})]^2}{(\Delta V_j)^2}, \quad (1)$$

where V_j and S_j are the channel V_{LSR} (in km s^{-1}) and corresponding peak positions (in arcsecond), the index j runs over all the fitted channels, and the + and - symbols hold for red- and blue-shifted velocities, respectively. The YSO mass M_{\star} is given in M_{\odot} . In order to take into account both the uncertainty on the velocity and that on the position, the global velocity error ΔV_j was obtained by summing in quadrature two errors: that on the velocity (taken equal to half of the channel width) and that obtained by converting the error on the offset into a velocity error through the function fitted to the data. In Sect. 3.2, based on the symmetrical patterns of the P-V plots, we constrained the ranges for the YSO positional offset and V_{LSR} to: $0'' \leq S_{\star} \leq 0''.15$, $60.0 \text{ km s}^{-1} \leq V_{\star} \leq 61.0 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. The mass of the YSO is searched over the range 5–15 M_{\odot} , consistent with the estimated bolometric luminosity of $10^4 L_{\odot}$. Figure 11 reports the plots of the distribution of the χ^2 as a function of the free parameters. The white contour in these two plots draws the 1- σ confidence level for the three free parameters, following Lampton et al. (1976). These plots show that we do find an absolute minimum of the χ^2 , and the determined 1- σ intervals for the parameter values are: $S_{\star} = -0''.084 \pm 0''.020$, $V_{\star} = 60.4 \pm 0.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, and $M_{\star} \sin^2(i) = 10 \pm 2 M_{\odot}$.

Following the analysis by Moscadelli et al. (2013, see in particular their Fig. 5), source B, the HMC, dominates the IR emission of the region, suggesting that our estimate of $10^4 L_{\odot}$ for the bolometric luminosity of B is reasonable and not too high. This luminosity corresponds to a single ZAMS star of $\approx 13 M_{\odot}$ (see Davies et al. 2011), which is an upper limit for the mass of Bm. Comparing this upper limit with the YSO mass from the Keplerian fit, the value of the disk inclination angle is constrained within the interval $60^{\circ} \leq i \leq 120^{\circ}$, that is, the plane of the disk is within 30° of the line of sight. However, if a sizeable fraction of the bolometric luminosity is due to gravitational energy released in the accretion process rather than nuclear burning, the mass of Bm could be less than $13 M_{\odot}$, and the disk would be almost edge-on. Inside the disk radius of $\approx 0''.15$, the 1.2-mm continuum flux is 42 mJy, corresponding to $\approx 1 M_{\odot}$ (making the same assumptions as in Sect. 3.1). Since this value is much less than the YSO mass $\approx 10 M_{\odot}$, our choice of fitting a Keplerian velocity profile appears to be well justified *a posteriori*.

Figure 12 (lower panel) compares the kinematics of the disk, traced with thermal CH_3OH , with that of the 6.7-GHz CH_3OH

masers observed with VLBI by Sanna et al. (2010). The 6.7-GHz masers trace a slightly elongated structure oriented along a PA ($\approx -40^{\circ}$) quite different from that (18°) of the YSO disk. The maser bipolar V_{LSR} distribution (red-(blue)-shifted to NW(SE)) and the proper motion pattern were interpreted by Sanna et al. (2010) in terms of rotation, and the 6.7-GHz masers were the first indication of the existence of a rotating disk around Bm. However, the new ALMA data indicate now that the 6.7-GHz masers are not tracing the disk midplane, as originally assumed. While the positions and V_{LSR} of the NW red-shifted 6.7-GHz cluster are in reasonable agreement with the red-shifted side of the YSO disk, the SE blue-shifted cluster is placed $0''.1-0''.2$ SE of the disk midplane. Looking at Fig. 12, the two groups of maser features with measured proper motions are projected on the sky close to the disk rotation axis (i.e., perpendicular to the disk major axis crossing Bm, at the peak of the compact 22-GHz continuum) and the proper motions are mainly directed perpendicular to this axis. These findings still suggest that the 6.7-GHz masers are mainly tracing rotation about Bm, although they may be partly offset from the disk midplane.

5. The YSO, the disk, and the jet

In this section, we discuss in more detail the interactions among the YSO, the disk, and the jet.

5.1. Jet structure and orientation

Looking at Fig. 9, one can note that, near Bm, the slightly resolved 13-GHz continuum is elongated to NW along a direction roughly perpendicular to the disk. As shown in Figs. 7 and 8, the axis of the funnel-like structure on top of the radio jet traced by the CH_3CN emission at $V_{\text{LSR}} \approx 59 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ also has a similar NW orientation. This structure can be interpreted in terms of the jet cavity, and together with the shape of the 13-GHz emission near Bm, could mark the direction of ejection of the jet close to the YSO. At larger separation from the YSO, the 13-GHz continuum seems to bend and approach the E-W direction, which could suggest that precession or recollimation is taking place.

The nonthermal continuum emission in the two lobes of the radio jet, shown in the upper panel of Fig. 12, emerges from shocks responsible for the acceleration of the electrons to relativistic velocities. These shocks originate near Bm where the jet impinges on high-density material and propagate away along the jet direction at a speed, assuming momentum conservation, of $V_{sh} = \sqrt{n_{jet}/n_{amb}} V_{jet}$, where n_{jet} and V_{jet} are the jet density and ejection velocity, respectively, and n_{amb} is the ambient density (see, e.g., Masson & Chernin 1993). Looking at the upper panel of Fig. 12, one can note that the western lobe is

significantly closer to Bm, which could indicate that the non-thermal shock has moved more slowly towards W because of the higher ambient density, as already discussed in Sect. 3.3. From the JVLA 6-GHz map we derive that the eastern lobe is about three times more distant from Bm than the western lobe, which, assuming the jet is ejected symmetrically, agrees well with our previous estimate of a density contrast in the ambient gas by a factor of approximately ten between the western and eastern side. We denote with ΔS^W and ΔS^E the separations (projected onto the line connecting the lobes – see Fig. 12) between the position of Bm and the emission peaks of the western and eastern lobes, respectively, and with V_{sh}^W and V_{sh}^E the shock propagation velocities towards W and E, respectively. The time elapsed since the episode of ejection responsible for the present emission in the jet lobes is then $\Delta T = \Delta S^W/V_{sh}^W = \Delta S^E/V_{sh}^E$. From the 6-GHz map we obtain $\Delta S^W \approx 0''.33$ or ≈ 1200 au, and $\Delta T \approx 6000/V_{sh}^W$ yr, where V_{sh}^W is expressed in km s^{-1} .

5.2. Proper motion and precession

Comparing the upper to the lower panel of Fig. 12, it is clear that the line connecting the 6-GHz lobes of the radio jet crosses source B near the 1.2-mm peak but is displaced from Bm (pinpointed by the 22-GHz emission) by ≥ 100 mas towards N. This offset is significantly larger than the expected positional error of a few tens of milliarcseconds between the 6- and 22-GHz JVLA images⁴ (Moscadelli et al. 2013, 2016). In Sect. 3.2 we noted the clear asymmetry between the NE red-shifted and SW blue-shifted sides of the YSO envelope–disk, with the NE side being much more extended than the SE one (see Figs. 4 and 12). We argue now that both the displacement of Bm from the jet axis and the disk asymmetry could result from the relative motion of Bm with respect to the disk. We assume that Bm has moved from its original position, at the disk center, towards S-SW, along the disk plane.

What is causing the motion of Bm? One possibility is that Bm is orbiting in a gravitationally bound, multiple stellar system. This would naturally explain its motion relative to the disk. In this case, the observed disk would rotate around the multiple system and mediate the accretion onto it. Recent observations of bound systems of low-mass YSOs surrounded by a disk show that the regular distribution in mass and velocity of the disk is truncated at an inner radius comparable to the separation among the most massive stellar members (Tobin et al. 2016; Artur de la Villarmois et al. 2018). At radii comparable to these stellar orbits, the disk fragments and gaps, rings, and spirals appear, like those observed in protoplanetary disks. Looking at Fig. 9, one can note that the disk around Bm presents a regular (Keplerian) velocity pattern until reaching the position of the YSO, marked by the compact 22-GHz continuum. The mass responsible for the observed velocity pattern appears to be confined inside a radius ≤ 200 au from Bm, which implies that other (putative) YSOs embedded in the parental mm source B are not dynamically relevant for the disk or the motion of Bm.

An alternative explanation for the motion of Bm is that the YSO has been ejected from its original position at the disk center by dynamical interaction with one or more companions. The YSO moved through the disk plane until it reached the current position, traced by the 22-GHz continuum. The distribution of the gas in the disk remained essentially unaffected by the move-

ment of the YSO. The fact that we see Keplerian rotation around Bm implies that the material of the disk has been rotating fast enough to re-adjust its velocity field to the new position of the YSO. This sets a lower limit to the crossing time, T_{cr} , needed for the star to go from the original position to the current position. For a stellar mass of $10 M_{\odot}$ and a radius of the Keplerian disk of $0''.15$ (540 au), we derive a rotational period $T_{rot} = 4000$ yr. Thus, the condition $T_{cr} \geq T_{rot} = 4000$ yr must be satisfied. Using this estimate of T_{cr} and the distance of $\sim 0''.1$ traveled by Bm, the average speed of Bm must be ≤ 1 km s^{-1} . This is in agreement with the result that the LSR velocity of Bm of $V_{\star} = 60.4 \pm 0.5$ km s^{-1} determined from the Keplerian fit (see Sect. 4) corresponds to the systemic velocity of the molecular cloud, $V_{sys} = 60 \pm 0.04$ km s^{-1} , obtained from single-dish observations (see, e.g., Hill et al. 2010).

For a plausible mass accretion rate of $\sim 10^{-3} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, T_{cr} is sufficiently long that most of the mass of Bm could be accreted after its ejection from the original position. In this scenario, the structure of the disk has not been significantly affected by the motion of the YSO through it, because the star has become sufficiently massive to dominate the gravitational field of the region, only when it was already close to the current position.

We still have to explain why the jet is offset from the current position of the YSO. One possibility is that the jet was ejected before the YSO left its original position (marked by the intersection between the jet axis and the disk). Following the analysis of Sect. 5.1 and assuming $\Delta T \sim T_{cr} \geq 4000$ yr, we derive that the velocities of the shocks must be ≤ 1 km s^{-1} . Such a low velocity, much less than the typical jet speeds ≥ 100 km s^{-1} (see, e.g., Masqué et al. 2015), implies a very high density ratio ($\sim 10^4$) between the ambient gas and the jet. Another possibility is that the jet is ejected from the present location of Bm, but is then recollimated on a larger scale along the axis of the magnetic field, which, on that scale, has not been affected by the movement of the YSO. This latter interpretation is supported by the morphology of the 13-GHz continuum and the funnel-like molecular emission observed near Bm, which, as noted in Sect. 5.1, suggests that the jet emerges from Bm perpendicular to the Keplerian disk.

Looking at Fig. 12, it is also interesting to note that the 1.2-mm peak is slightly offset from the jet axis in the direction of the 22-GHz continuum. This offset, $0''.03$ – $0''.04$, is comparable with the error in the relative astrometry between the JVLA and ALMA images, but it could have a physical explanation, too. In fact, it could result from a combination of two components of dust emission with similar intensities: one characterized by high temperature and low column density at the position of the 22-GHz continuum, the other with low temperature and large column density at the disk center. In order to resolve these two putative components, we have redone the 1.2-mm continuum image uniformly weighting the visibilities, thus increasing the angular resolution from $0''.15$ to $0''.12$, but the image still presents a single peak. We conclude that, if two components are present, their separation must be $\leq 0''.1$.

6. Conclusions

The main results of our Cycle 3 high-angular resolution (beam FWHM $\approx 0''.15$) ALMA observations towards the high-mass SFR G16.59–0.05 can be resumed as follows. At the center of the main clump, the dust emission is resolved into four small (size $\sim 1''$) mm sources, among which the one (source B) harboring the high-mass YSO (Bm) is the most prominent in molecular emission. Fitting unblended, optically thin lines of CH_3OCH_3

⁴ We note that the same phase calibrator, J1832-1035, was used for both the 6- and 22-GHz JVLA observations, which guarantees a good relative astrometry between the images at the two frequencies.

and CH₃OH, we determined temperatures for the gas inside the mm sources in the range 42–131 K, and estimated masses of between 1 and 5 M_{\odot} .

A well-defined V_{LSR} gradient (prominent in CH₃OH, CH₃CN and C³⁴S) is traced in many high-density molecular tracers at the position of the high-mass YSO Bm, and is oriented along a direction forming a large ($\approx 70^{\circ}$) angle with the radio jet previously revealed through sensitive JVLAs observations. The P-V plots of this gradient present butterfly-like shapes, and the emission peaks of the molecular lines at high velocity draw linear patterns, indicating that we are observing rotation of the disk–envelope surrounding Bm. The disk radius is estimated to be ≈ 500 au, and the V_{LSR} radial distribution is well reproduced by Keplerian rotation around a central mass of $10 \pm 2 M_{\odot}$.

The position of Bm, pinpointed by the compact 22-GHz emission, is found to be offset by $\approx 0.1''$ S of the jet axis and the mm peak of source B. We explain these findings assuming that, following a multiple stellar event, Bm was ejected from the center of the parental mm source and moved through the disk plane until it reached the current position. While the material of the disk had enough time to re-adjust its velocity field to the new position of the YSO, the distribution of matter and magnetic field, responsible for collimating the jet, remained basically unaffected by the movement of the YSO.

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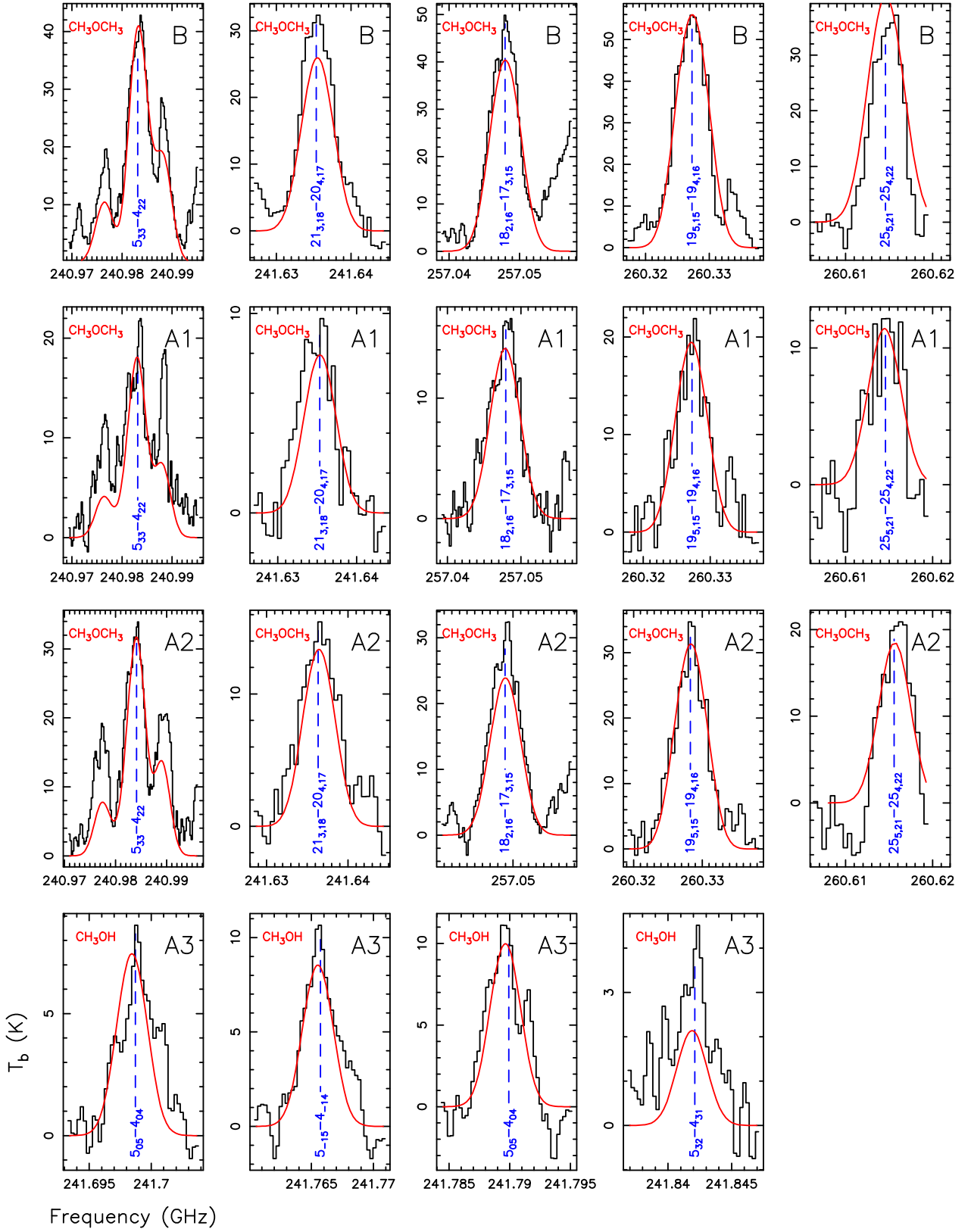


Fig. 3. In each panel, the observed spectrum and the MADCUBA LTE best fit are shown in black and red, respectively. The spectra are shown as brightness temperature vs. rest frequency. In the upper-left corner and at the bottom of each panel, the molecular species and the corresponding line employed in the fit are indicated (see Table 2). Each row refers to one of the four mm sources: B, A1, A2 and A3, from top to bottom, respectively.

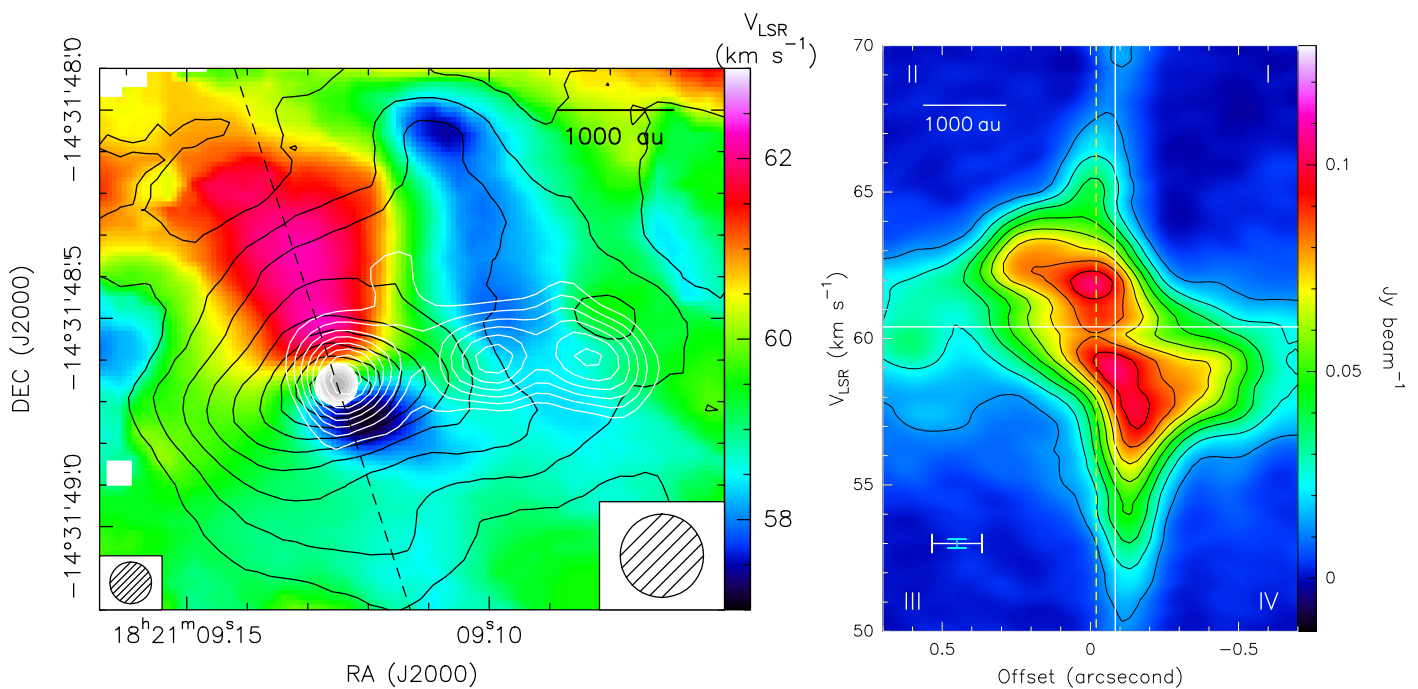


Fig. 4. Gas kinematics towards the high-mass YSO Bm. *Left panel:* Black contours and the color map show, respectively, the velocity-integrated intensity and the intensity-averaged velocity of the $\text{CH}_3\text{OH } 5_{0,5}-4_{0,4}$ line ($E_u = 35$ K). Plotted contours are from 10 to 90% of $1.1 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ in steps of 10% and the scale on the right gives the color-velocity conversion. The gray-scale filled and white contours show the JVL A 22-GHz and 13-GHz continuum emission, respectively. Contours are from 50 to 90% of $0.28 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$ in steps of 10% at 22 GHz, and from 20 to 90% of $0.1 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$ in steps of 10% at 13 GHz. The JVL A beams at 22 and 13 GHz are reported in the bottom-left and bottom-right corners, respectively. *Right panel:* P-V plot of the $\text{CH}_3\text{OH } 5_{0,5}-4_{0,4}$ line. The cut (at PA = 18°) along which positions are evaluated is indicated with the dashed black line in the left panel. To produce the P-V plot, we averaged the emission inside a strip parallel to the cut and $0''.4$ in width to include only the disk-envelope around the YSO. The intensity scale is shown on the right. The spatial and velocity resolutions are indicated with horizontal white and vertical cyan error bars, respectively, in the bottom-left corner. The horizontal and vertical white continuous lines mark the YSO V_{LSR} and positional offset, respectively, estimated with a Keplerian fit (see Sect. 4). The yellow dashed vertical line indicates the positional offset of the peak of the 1.2-mm continuum emission of source B. The four quadrants are labeled.

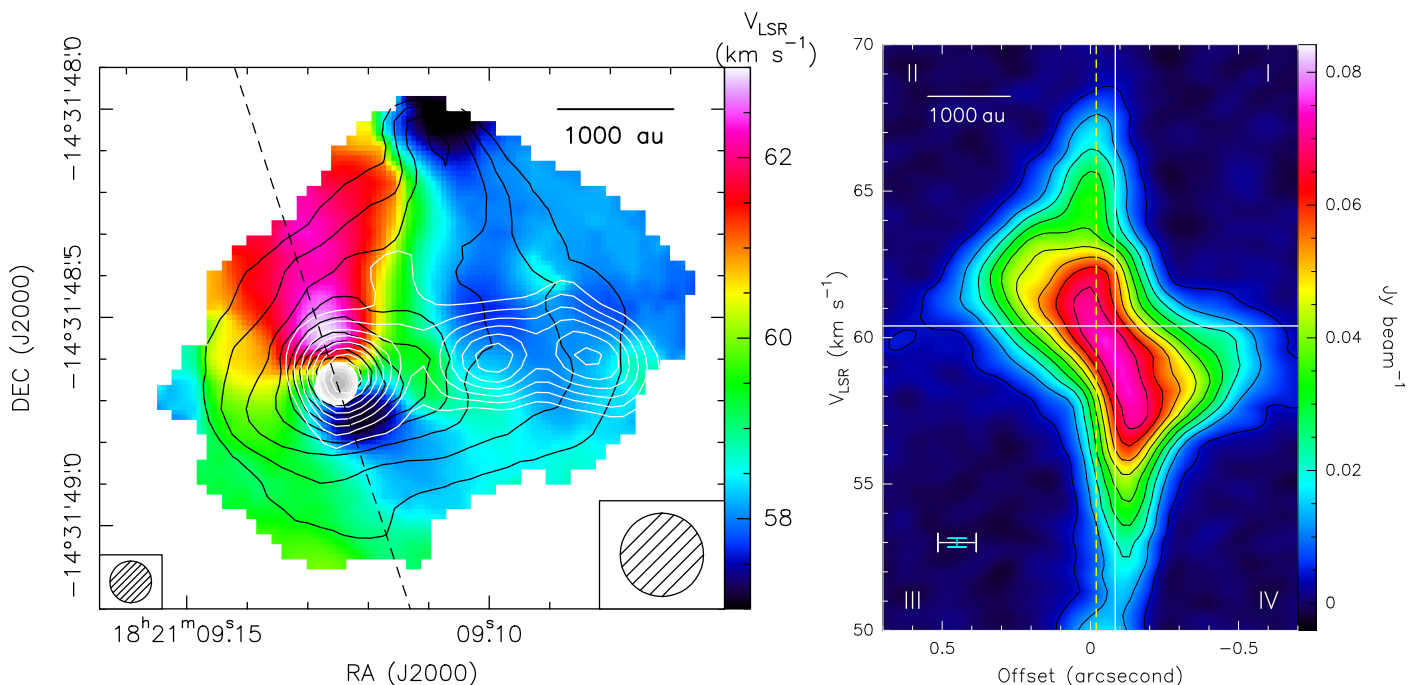


Fig. 5. As in Fig. 4 but for the $\text{CH}_3\text{CN } J_K = 14_2-13_2$ line ($E_u = 121$ K). *Left panel:* Black contours show the velocity-integrated intensity with levels ranging from 10 to 90% of $0.9 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ in steps of 10%.

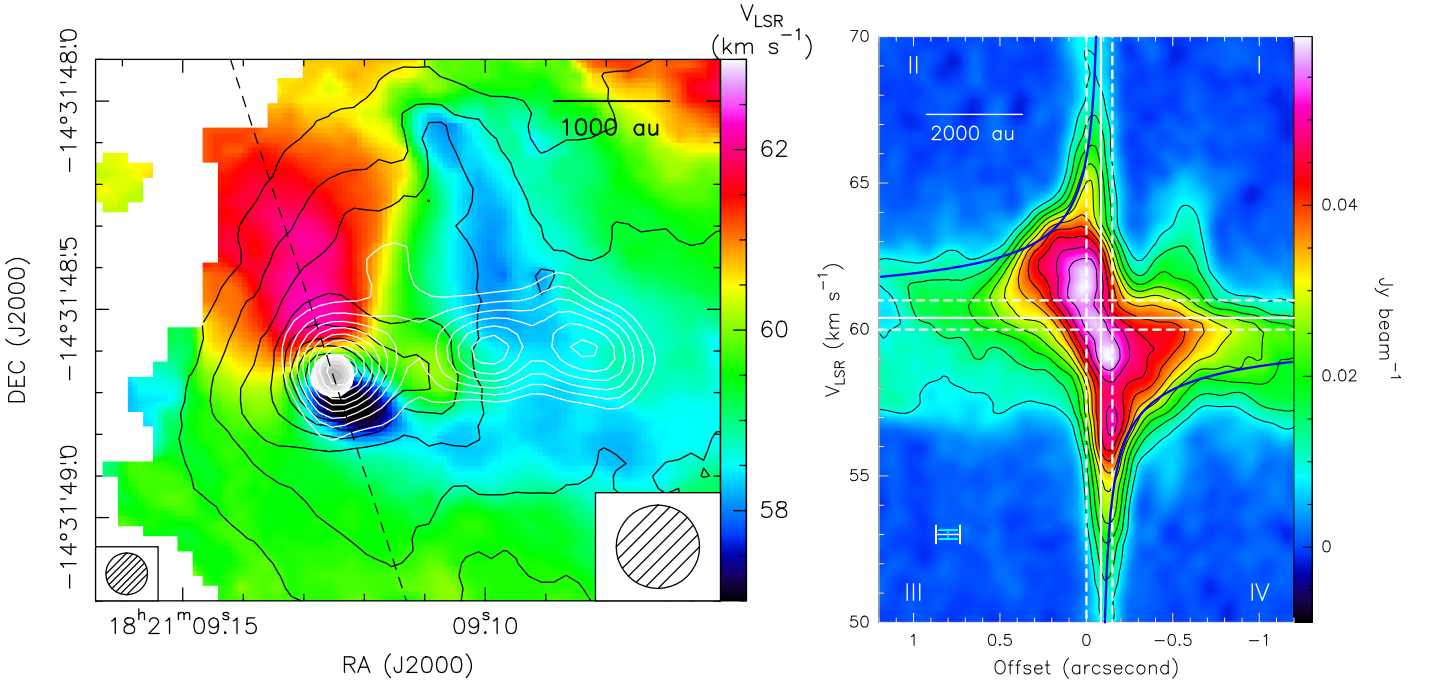


Fig. 6. As in Fig. 4 but for the C^{34}S $J=5-4$ line ($E_u = 28$ K). *Left panel:* Black contours show the velocity-integrated intensity with levels ranging from 10 to 90% of $0.8 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1} \text{ km s}^{-1}$ in steps of 10%. *Right panel:* Horizontal and vertical white continuous lines, and the blue curves mark, respectively, the V_{LSR} and positional offset of the YSO, and the Keplerian profile around a YSO of $10 M_{\odot}$. The two horizontal and vertical, white dashed lines indicate the maximum interval of variation for the YSO V_{LSR} and positional offset, respectively, estimated by eye whilst looking at the symmetrical patterns of the P-V plot. We note that the plotted offset range is larger than for the P-V plots of Figs. 4 and 5.

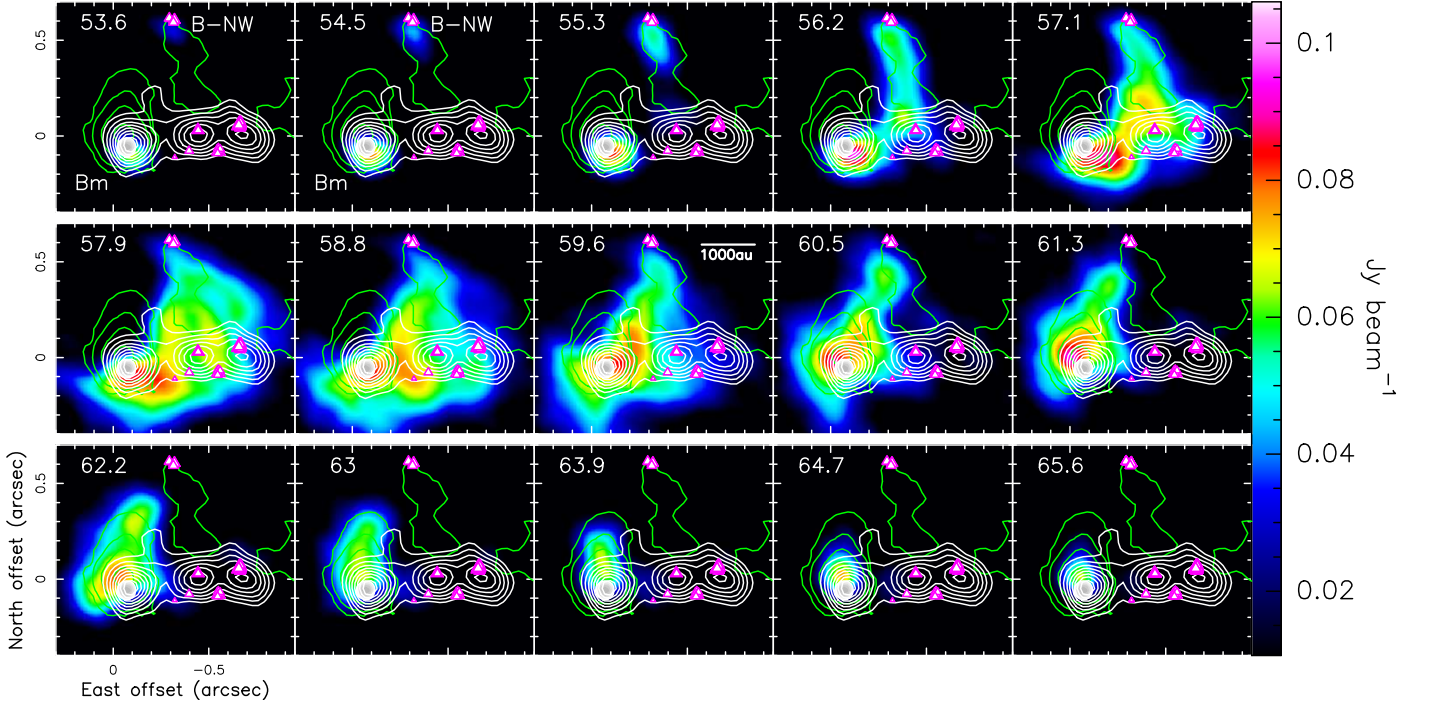


Fig. 7. Each panel presents a color map of the intensity of the CH_3CN $J_K = 14_2-13_2$ line ($E_u = 121$ K) at a different V_{LSR} (km s^{-1}), indicated in the upper-left corner. The color-intensity scale is shown on the right. The grayscale-filled and white contours show the JVLA 22-GHz and 13-GHz continuum, respectively, plotting the same levels as in Fig. 4. The green contours reproduce the ALMA 1.2-mm continuum, showing levels at 10%, 20%, 40%, and 80% of the peak emission of $0.032 \text{ Jy beam}^{-1}$. The magenta-edged white triangles mark the positions of the 22-GHz water masers derived through VLBI observations by Sanna et al. (2010). In the upper first and second panels, the high-mass YSO Bm, and the compact molecular source B-NW are labeled.

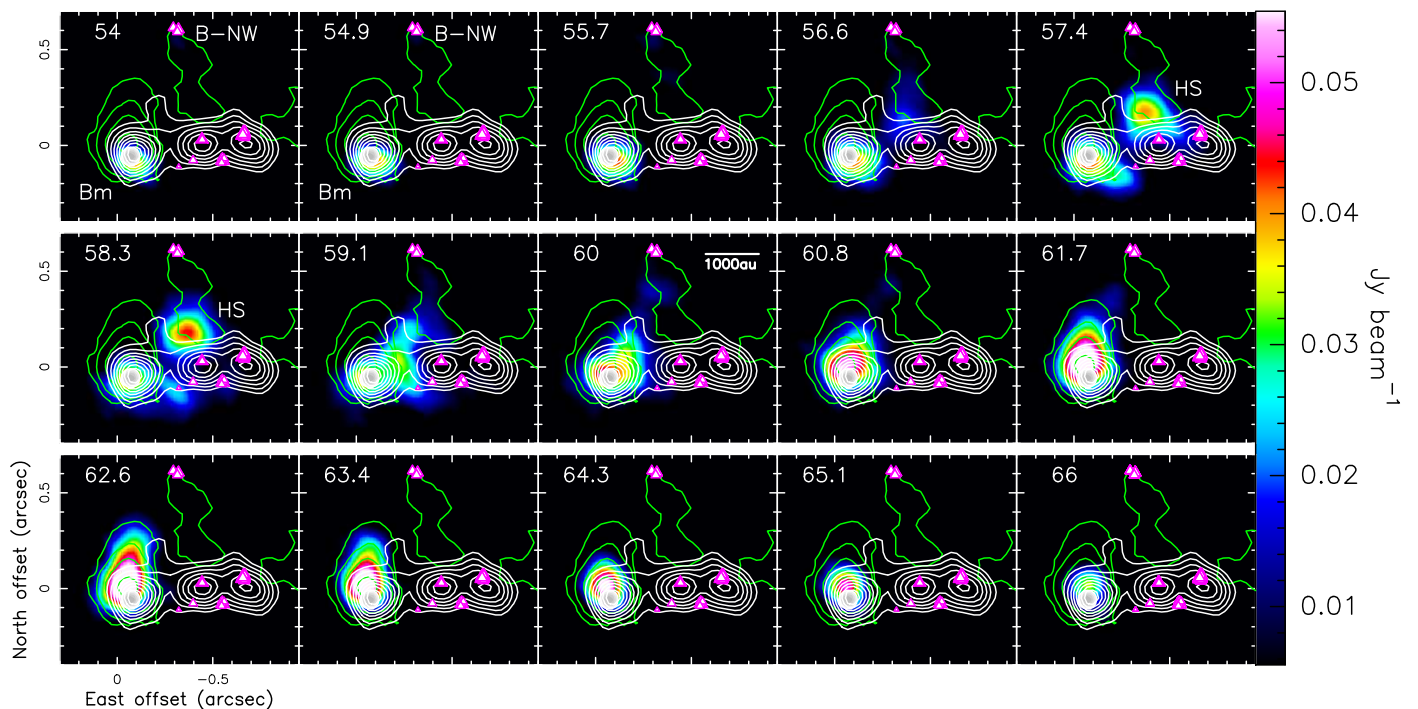


Fig. 8. As in Fig. 7 but for the $\text{CH}_3\text{CN } J_K = 14_7-13_7$ line ($E_u = 442$ K). In the upper-last and middle-first panels, the emission spot HS, adjacent to the radio jet, is labeled.

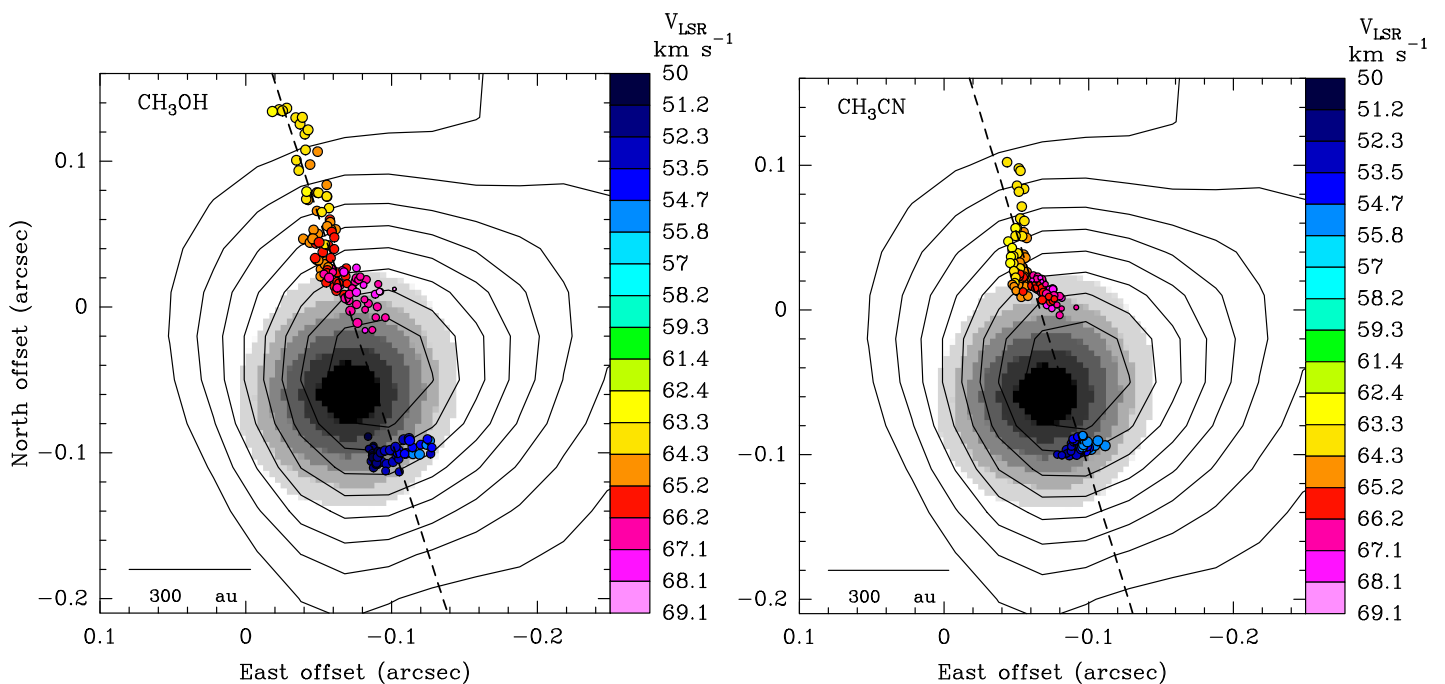


Fig. 9. The disk around the high-mass YSO Bm. Colored dots indicate the peak positions of the most blue- and red-shifted velocity channels for the emission of the nine CH_3OH (left panel) and seven CH_3CN (right panel) lines listed in Table 2. Colors represent V_{LSR} as coded on the right of each panel. The dashed black lines, at $\text{PA} = 18^\circ$ and 17° for CH_3OH and CH_3CN , respectively, show the linear fits to the spatial distribution of the channel peaks. The grayscale-filled and black contours represent the JVLA 22-GHz and 13-GHz continuum, respectively, with the same levels as in Fig. 4.

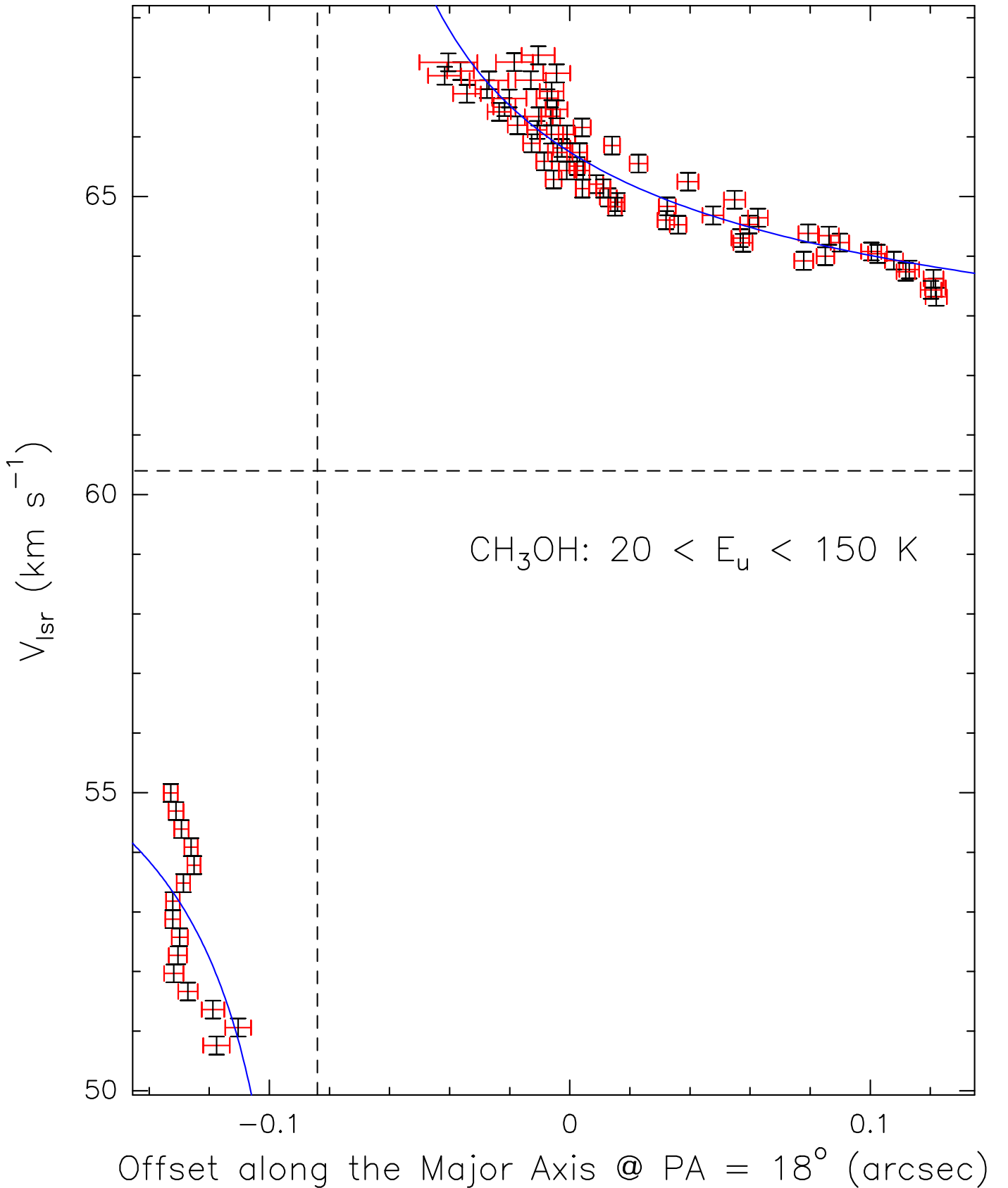


Fig. 10. Black and red error bars give major-axis projected positions and V_{LSR} (together with the corresponding errors), respectively, for the highest-velocity emission peaks of the six CH₃OH lines with $20 \text{ K} \leq E_u \leq 150 \text{ K}$ listed in Table 2. The blue curve is the best Keplerian fit to the data. The horizontal and vertical dashed lines indicate the fitted YSO V_{LSR} and position, respectively.

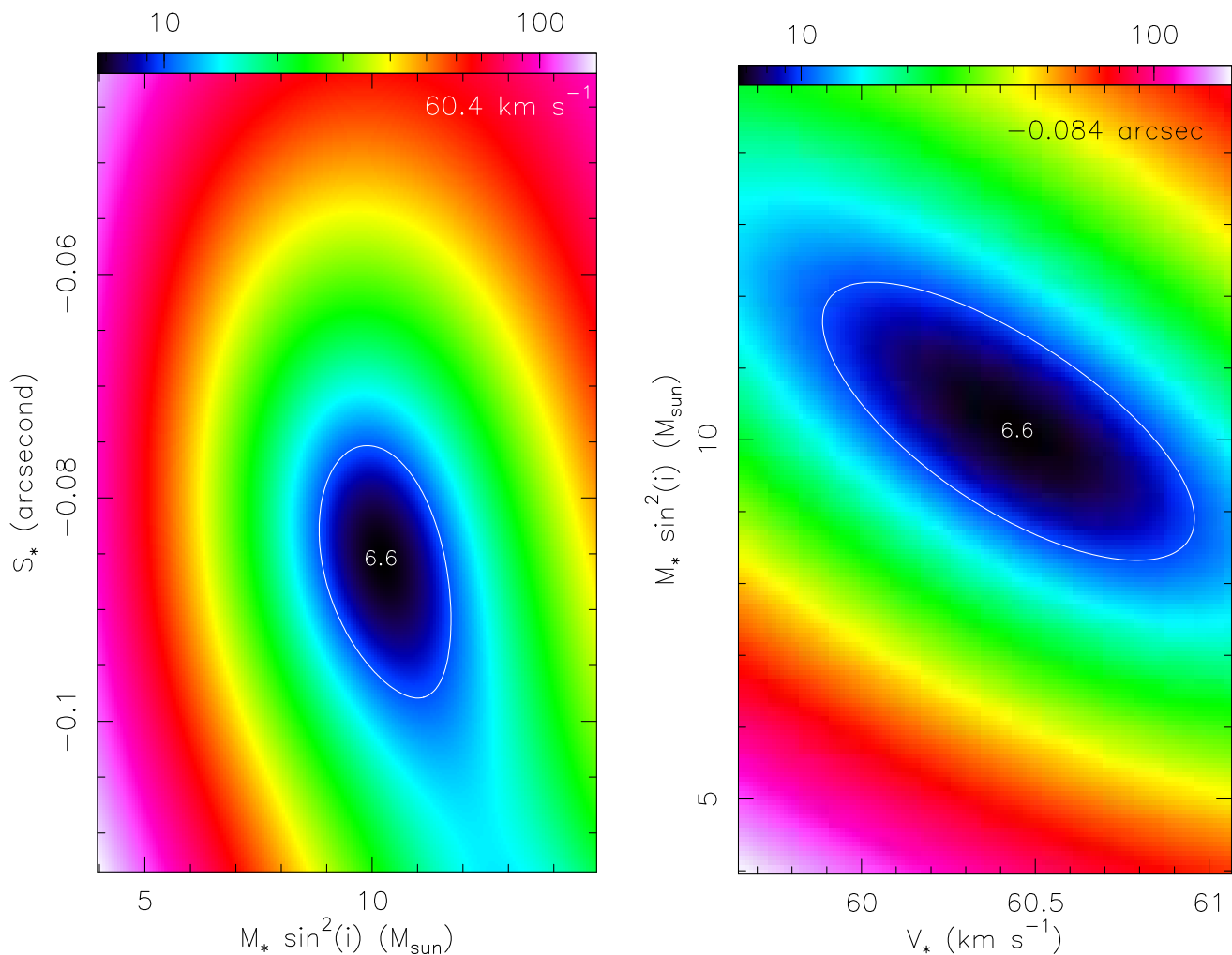


Fig. 11. Plots of the χ^2 distribution from the Keplerian fit (see Fig. 10) as a function of the free parameters YSO mass and position (*left panel*), and YSO V_{LSR} and mass (*right panel*). To produce these plots, the third free parameter of the Keplerian fit, that is, the YSO V_{LSR} and position in the left and right plot, respectively, is taken equal to the best-fit value. The color scale at the top of each panel gives the value of the χ^2 in a logarithmic scale. In each of the two plots, the position of the minimum χ^2 , $\chi^2_{\text{min}} = 6.6$, is labeled, and the white contour indicates the level $\chi^2_{\text{min}} + 3.5 = 10.1$, which corresponds to the $1\text{-}\sigma$ confidence level for three free parameters (Lampton et al. 1976).

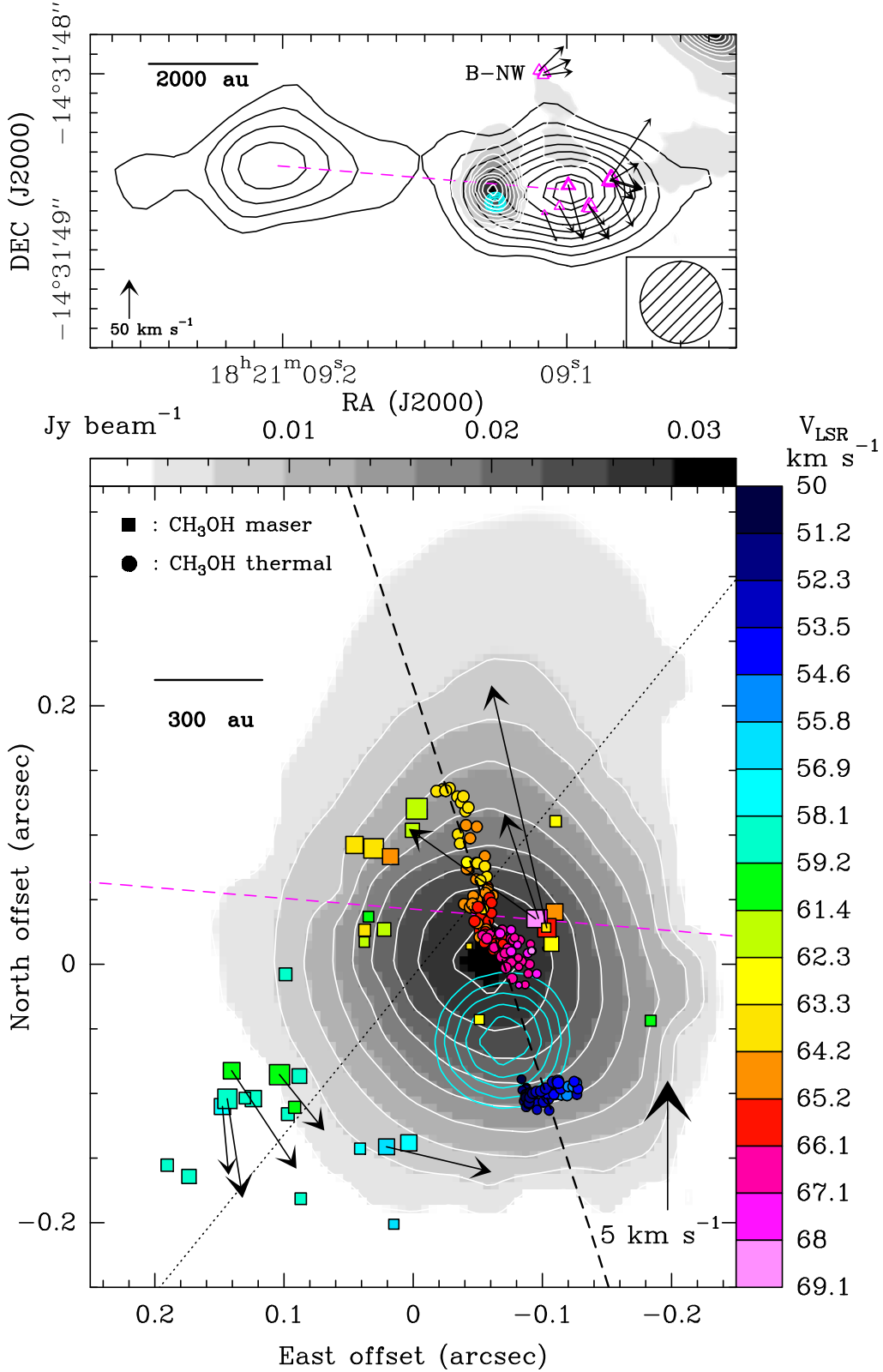


Fig. 12. *Lower panel:* Colored dots represent positions and V_{LSR} of the thermal CH_3OH emission as in Fig. 9, with the black dashed line marking the major axis of the disk around the high-mass YSO Bm. The grayscale map and the white contours reproduce the ALMA 1.2-mm continuum. The intensity scale for the map is shown on the top, and the plotted contours are the same as in Fig. 1. The JVA 22-GHz continuum is shown with cyan contours (same levels as in Fig. 4). Colored squares denote positions and V_{LSR} of the 6.7-GHz CH_3OH masers (Sanna et al. 2010). The maser proper motions are represented by black arrows, with the amplitude scale given in the bottom-right corner. The black dotted line marks the major axis of the distribution of the CH_3OH masers. The dashed magenta line has the same meaning as in the upper panel. *Upper panel:* The black contours represent the JVA 6-GHz continuum with levels from 20 to 90%, in steps of 10%, and 95% of $0.17 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$. The dashed magenta line connects the peak emission of the eastern and western lobes of the radio jet. The grayscale map, and the white and cyan contours have the same meaning as in the lower panel. VLBI positions and proper motions of the water masers by Sanna et al. (2010) are indicated with magenta triangles and black arrows, respectively. The amplitude scale for the proper motions is given in the bottom-right corner. The beam of the JVA 6 GHz continuum image is reported in the bottom-right corner.