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New high-excitation ammonia  $NH_3(4,4)/(5,5)$  data

- Clear east-west velocity gradient.
- Non-Keplerian motions.
- T > 100K in rotating structure.

Beuther & Walsh 2008

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- Diameter roughly 6000 AU.
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## Summary

- Today we observe large-scale rotating and infalling structures

- Tentative evidence for more disk-like entities at the centers.

ALMA and ELT will revolutionize this field via:

Resolving the disks/envelopes down to scales of order 100AU.

 Combining and modeling the data we will disentangle the physical processes like density/temperature/spiral structure.