



# Warping a protoplanetary disc with a planet on a misaligned orbit

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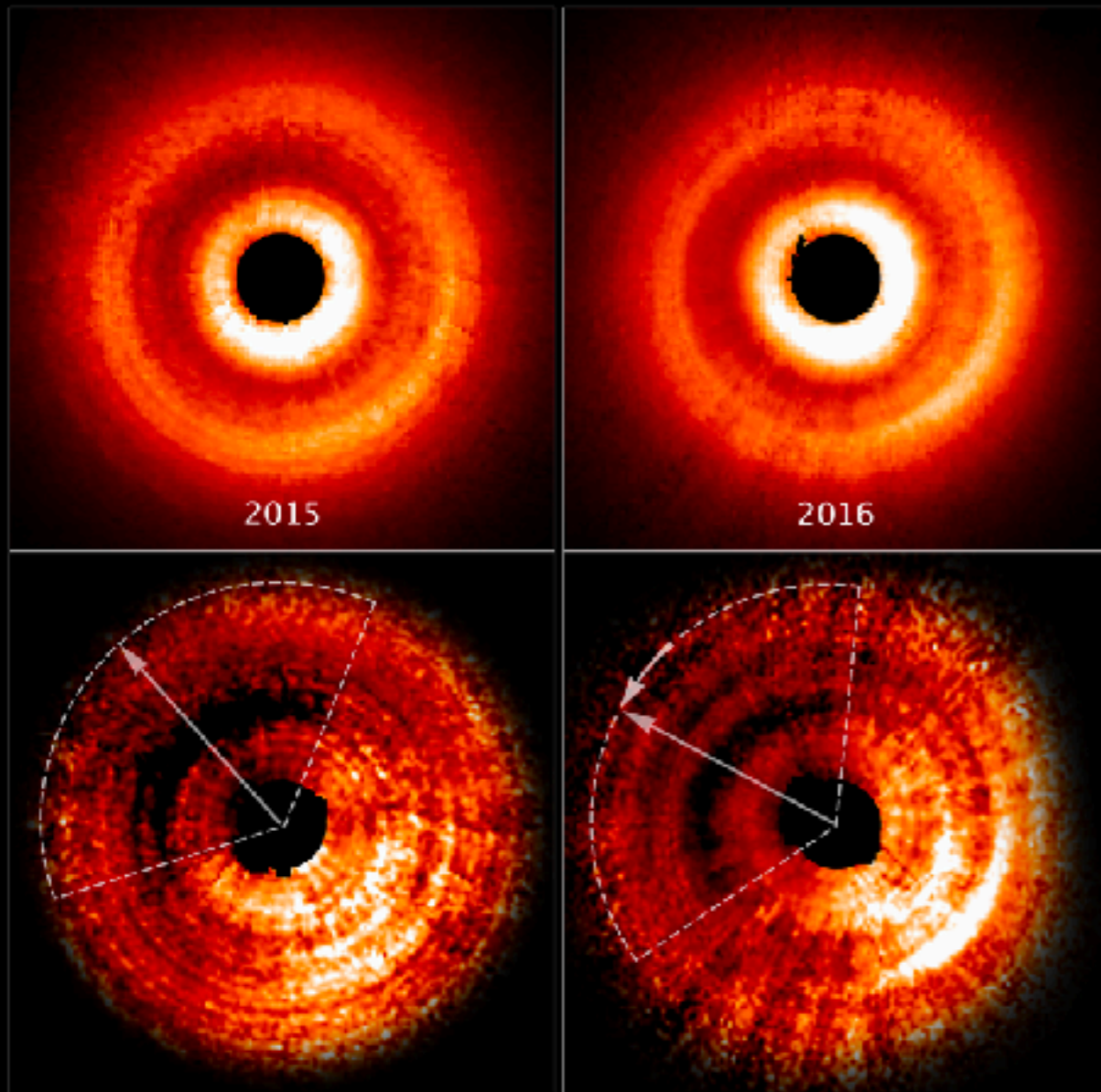
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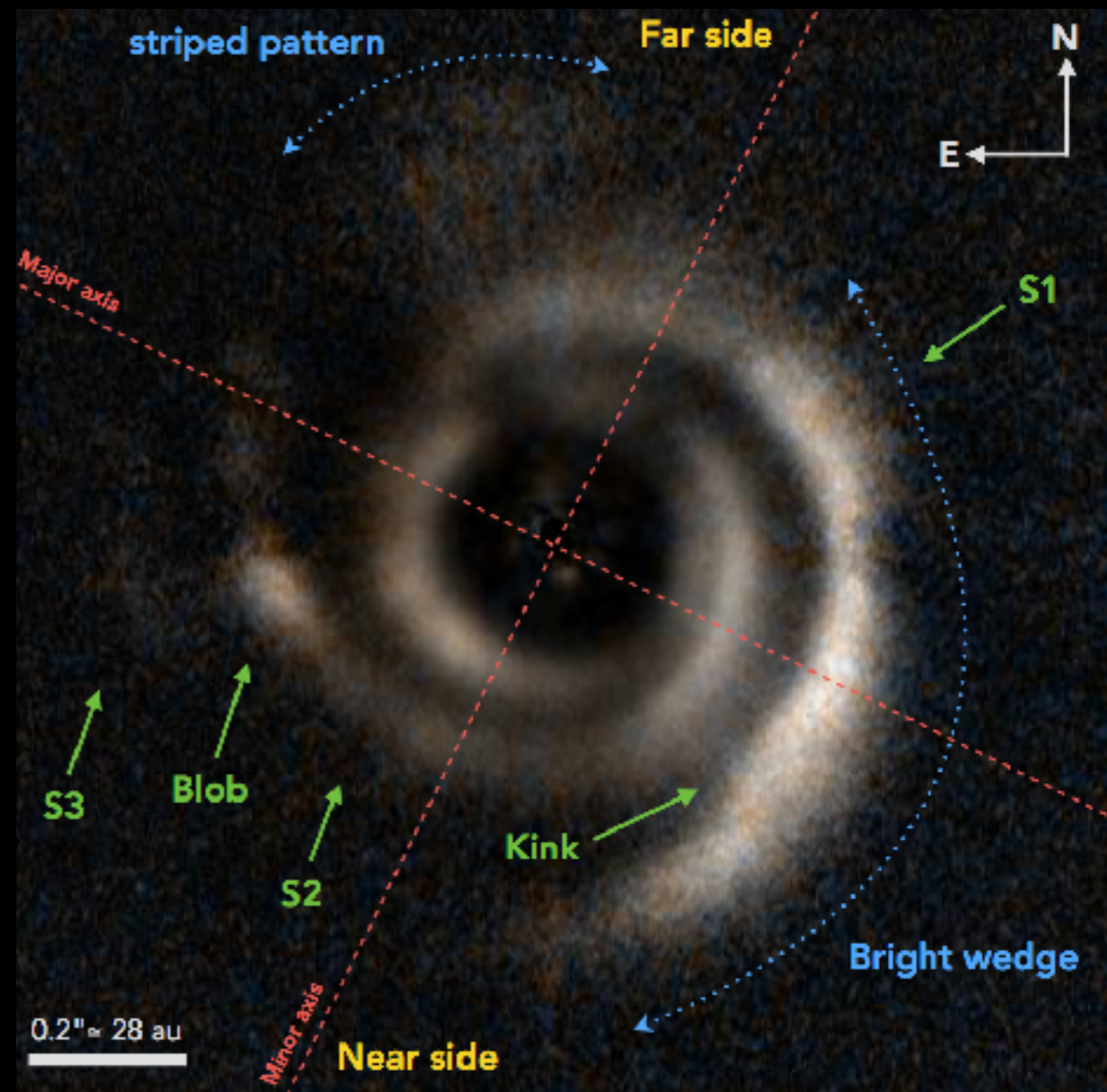
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# Warp driven shadows



**TW Hya**  
Debes et al. 2017  
Poteet et al. 2018

**HD 135344B**  
Figure 4,  
Stolker et al. 2016



# Planets misaligned to the mid-plane?

+ Low mass, so not currently observed

- Formation?

+ Know that planets affect disc structure

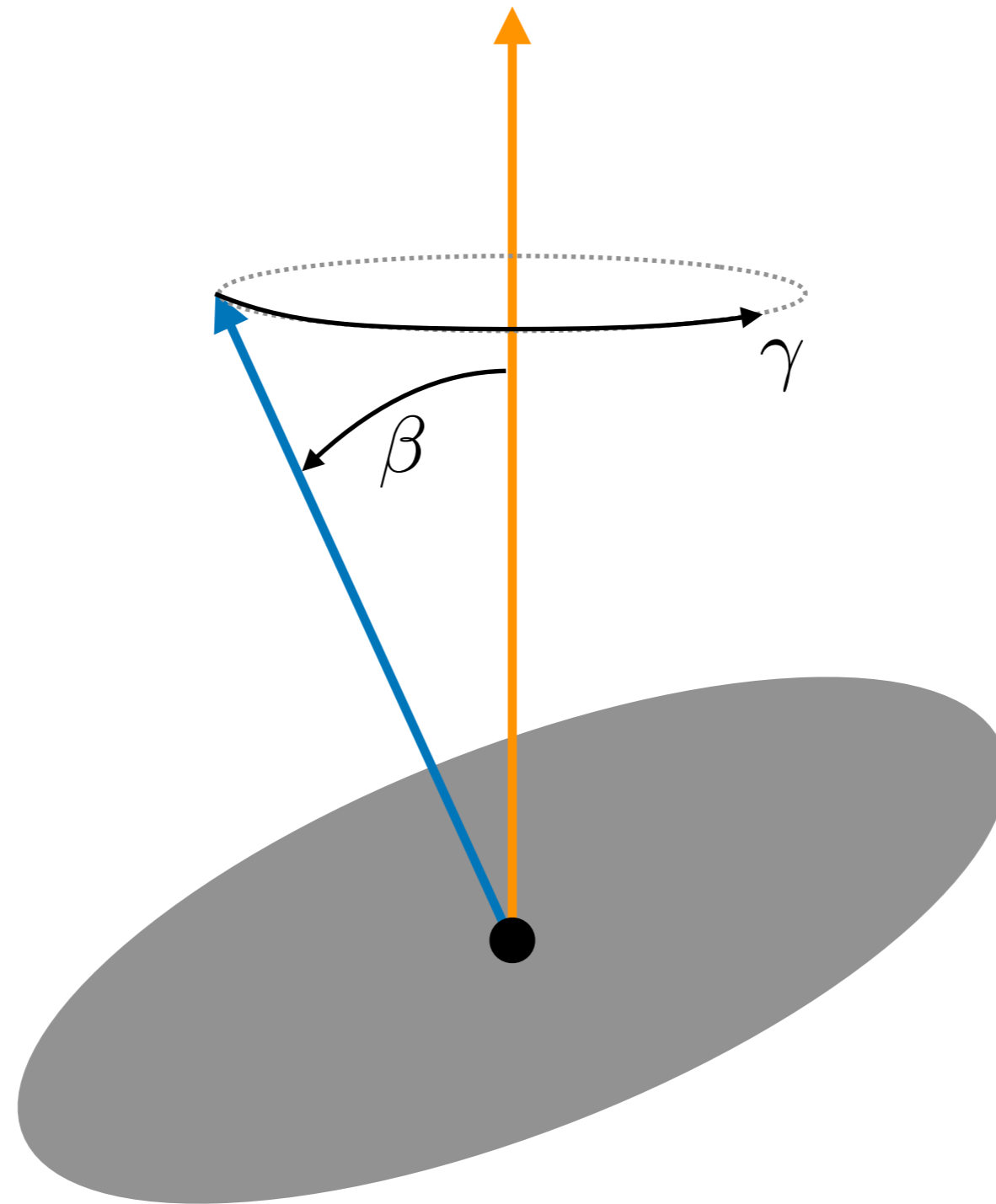
- How do they stay there?

1. Can we make interesting disc structures using misaligned planets?
2. Does this tell us anything about the properties of the planet?
3. Do these structures make shadows, and are these shadows consistent with observations?

# Tilt, twist and warp of the disc

## Tilt

The angle between the angular momentum vector and some reference

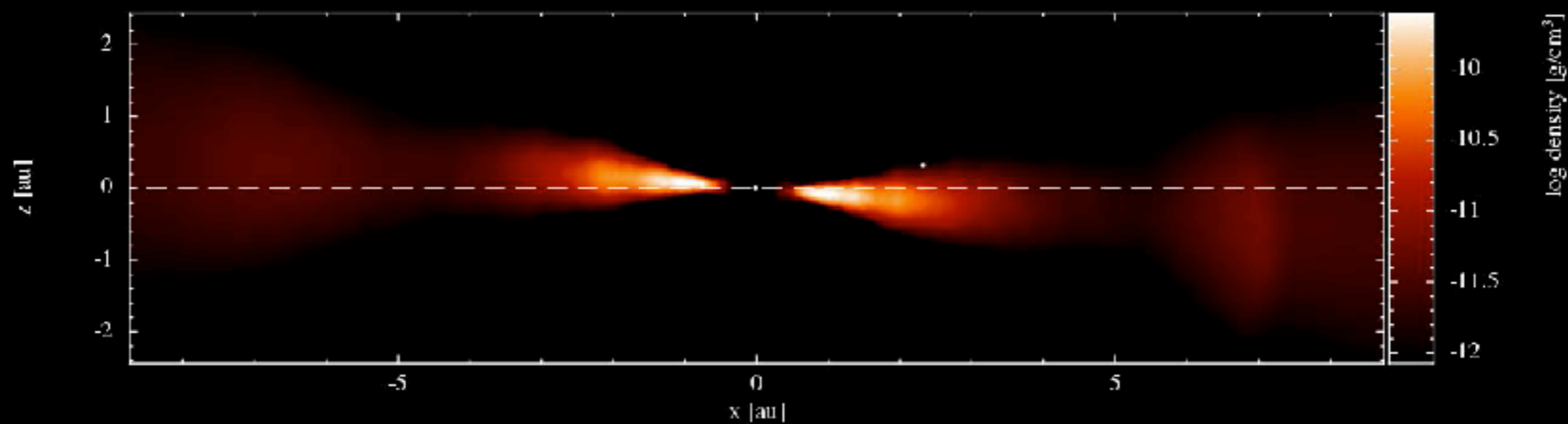
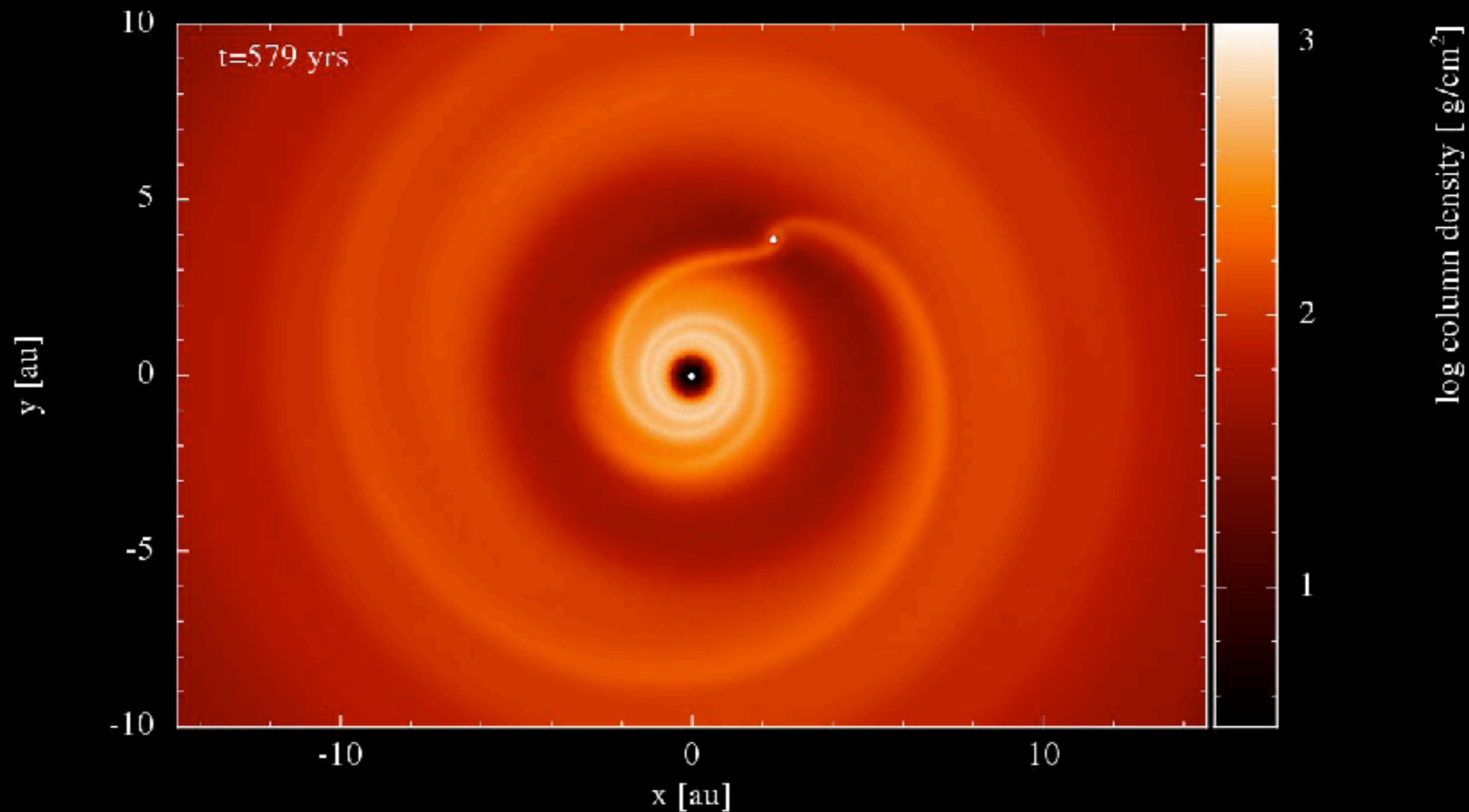


## Twist

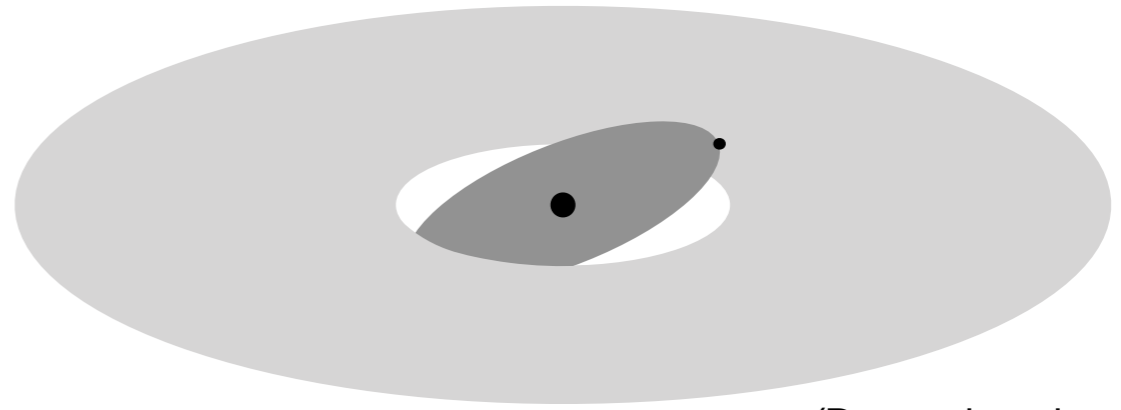
The angle the angular momentum vector traces around the reference vector from some point

$$\ell(R, t) = (\cos \gamma \sin \beta, \sin \gamma \sin \beta, \cos \beta)$$

# 4 Jupiter mass planet inclined at 19 degrees



# Timescales



(Dramatic schematic)

Time to open a gap:

$$t_{\text{gap}} = \left( \frac{H}{R} \right)^2 t_{\nu}$$

(for a disc with 0.01 solar masses between 0.1 and 100 AU)

~160 planet orbits

Inclination damping of the orbit (e.g. Tanaka and Ward 2004):

$$t_{\text{inc}} = \Omega_p^{-1} \left( \frac{H}{R} \right)_p^4 \left( \frac{m_p}{M_*} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{\Sigma_p r_p^2}{M_*} \right)^{-1}$$

Assuming a low mass planet, > 600 planet orbits

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$$t_{\text{gap}} < t_{\text{inc}} \ll t_{\nu}$$

The planet will carve a gap before the inclination damps significantly.

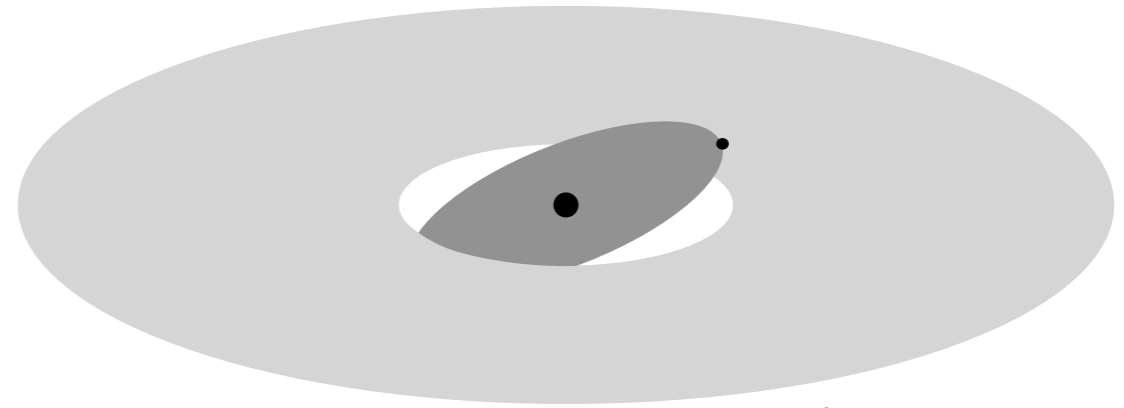
# Timescales

Communication:

$$t_s = \int \frac{2}{c_s} dr$$

Inner disc: 3 planet orbits

Outer disc: ~150 planet orbits (Rout ~ 100 au)



(Dramatic schematic)

Precession of the inner disc (e.g. Larwood et al. 2006):

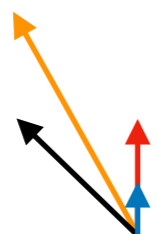
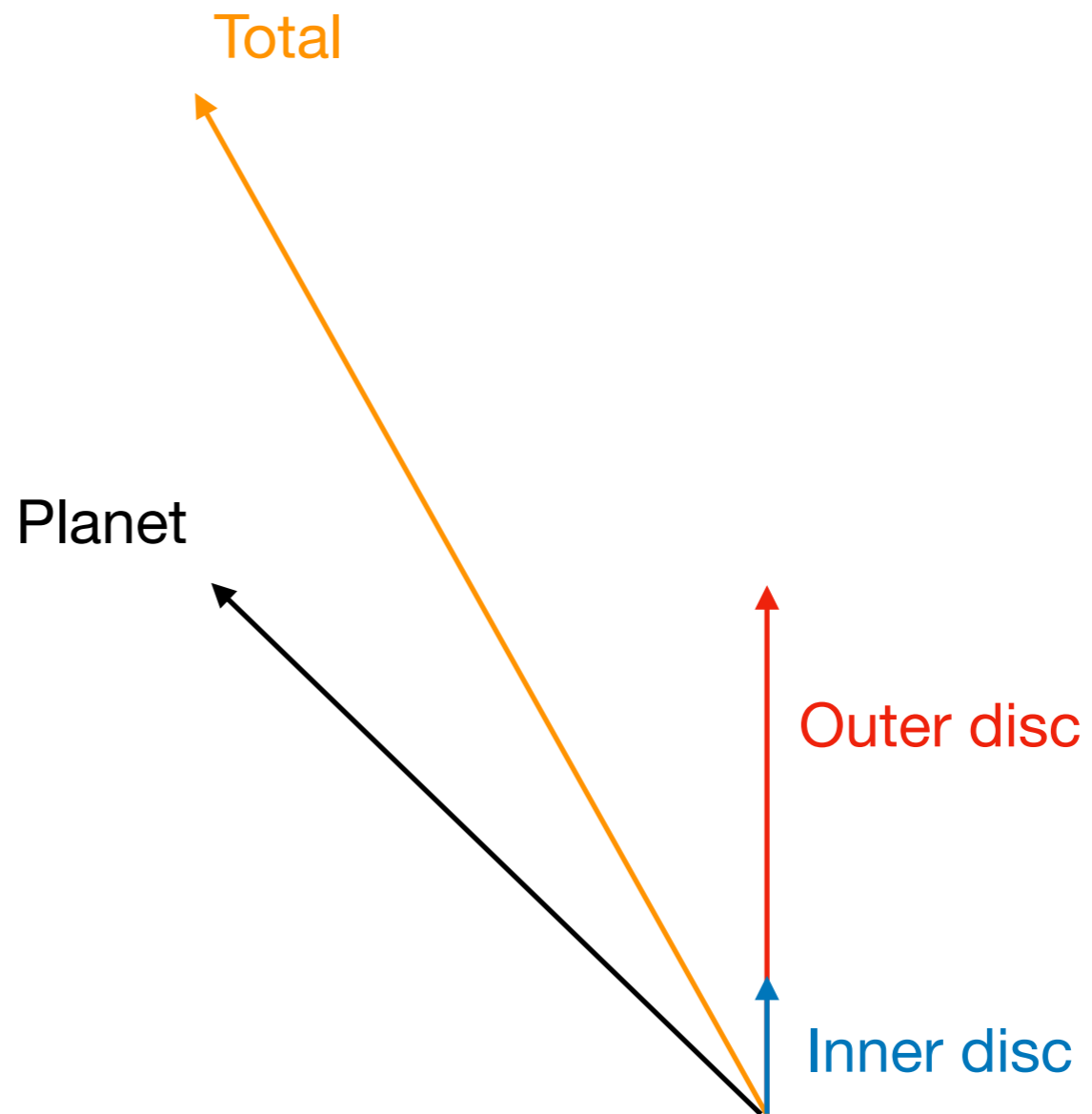
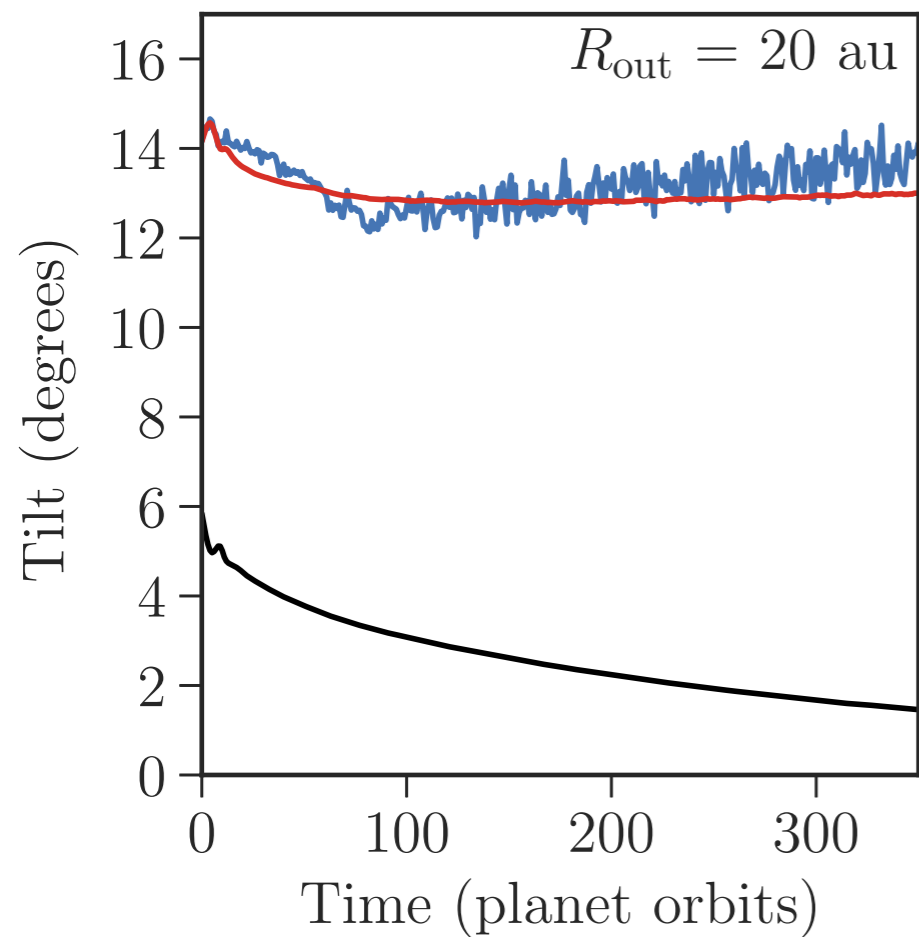
$$t_{\text{prec}} = 2\pi \left[ \left( \frac{3Gm}{4a^3} \right) \cos \beta \frac{\int \Sigma r^3 dr}{\int \Sigma \Omega r^3 dr} \right]^{-1} \quad \sim 490 \text{ planet orbits}$$

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$$t_s < t_{\text{prec}}$$

The planet will carve a gap before the inclination damps significantly.  
Both the inner and outer disc will precess due to the planet.

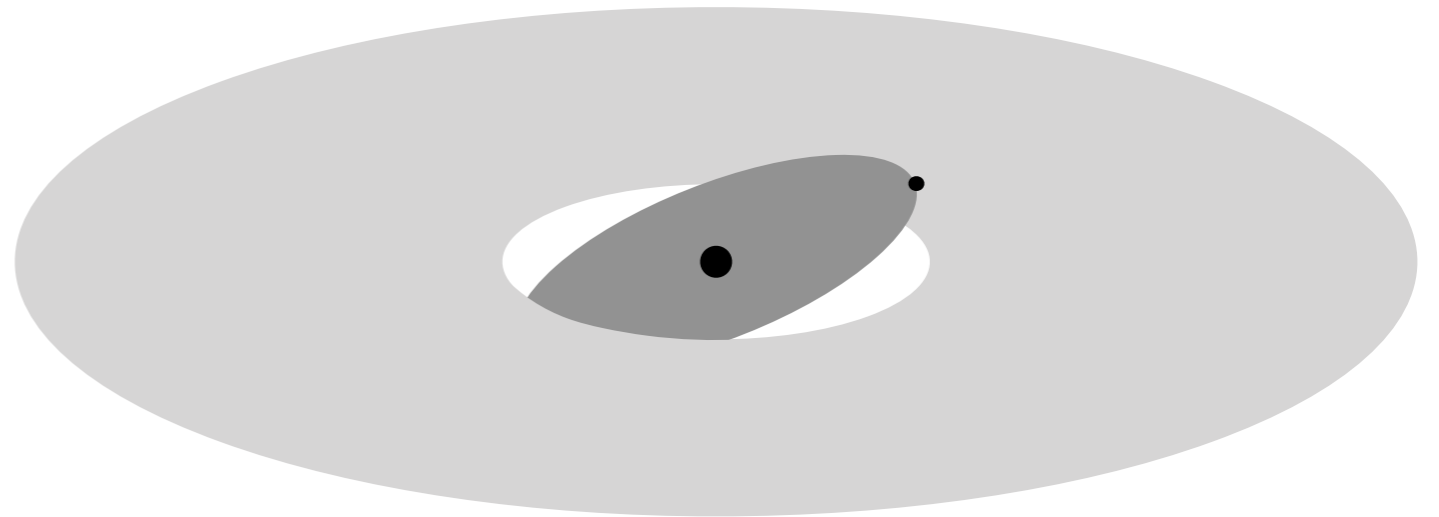
# How large should $R_{out}$ be?





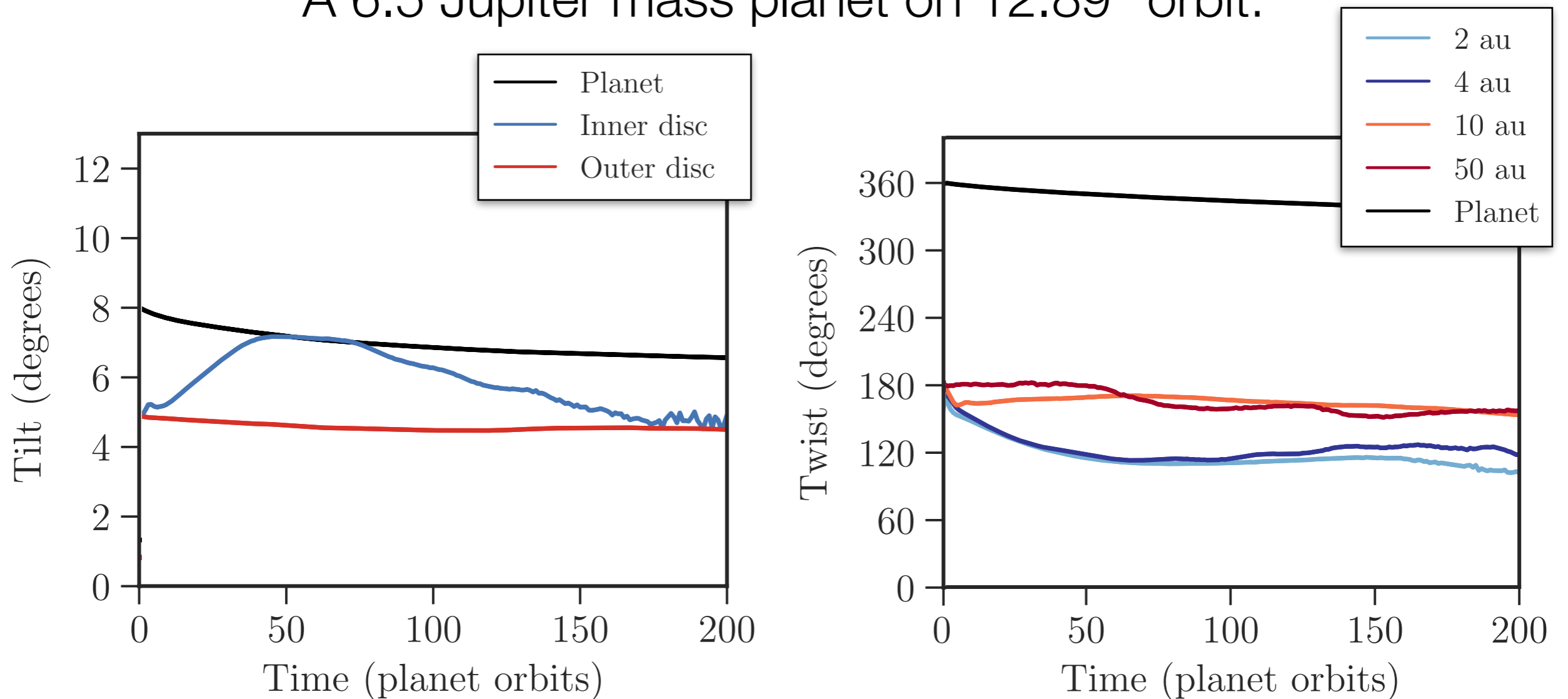
# What drives the largest warp?

- Locally isothermal
- Outer radius of 50 au
- Disc mass of  $0.01M_{\odot}$
- Consider both tilt and twist of inner vs. outer disc
- Planet masses of 0.13, 1.3 and 6.5 Jupiter mass
- Inclinations of 2.15, 4.30 and 12.89 degrees



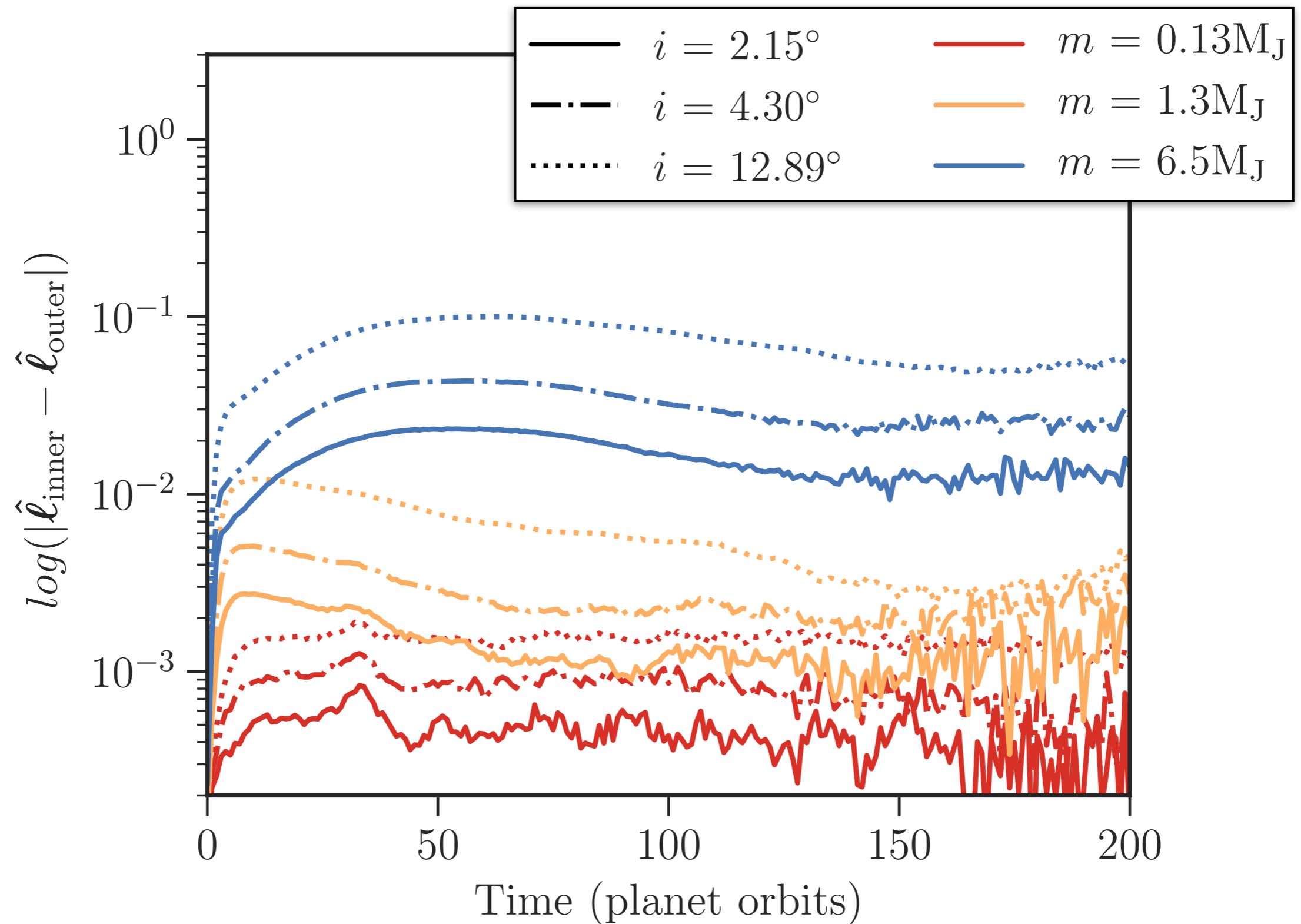
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A 6.5 Jupiter mass planet on  $12.89^\circ$  orbit:



In order to drive a warp between the inner and outer disc and precession of the innermost disc, the planet must be massive enough to carve a gap.

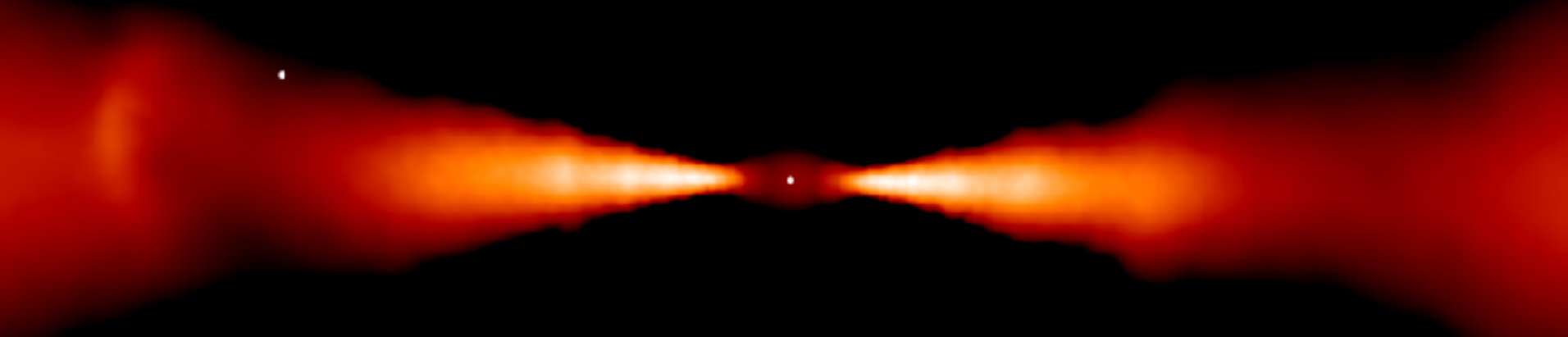
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# Summary

**A misaligned planet can affect the geometry of a protoplanetary disc**, leading to asymmetric structures. This is in agreement with previous work.

Modelling of the outer disc is **critical to determining the evolution of the warp in the innermost region.**



**A massive misaligned planet will tilt the disc**, and **cause differential precession** between the inner and outer disc. The movement of the inner disc occurs **rapidly**, while the planet inclination damps.

For a planet to create a warp that is **observationally relevant**, its **mass is more important** than the inclination of the orbit.