Photometric evolution of FU Orionis objects:

Discs, winds, envelopes and their interaction

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Light-curves



- Red: historical data
- Blue: new photometry (Melnikov, Ibrahimov: Maidanak Observatory): long monitoring campaign from 1981 to 2003.

Evidences for discs

• SEDs: NIR excess over stellar photosphere (Kenyon et al. 1998)



Evidences for discs

- Double peaked line profiles (Kenyon et al. 1998)
- However, periodic modulation (Herbig et al 2003, Errico et al. 2003) not predicted by simple models
- Possible explanation: accretion onto embedded massive planet (Clarke & Armitage 2003)



Planet-disc interaction

- Fast rising light curves only in triggered thermal instability
- Massive planet (10M_J), gap opening, migration rate slower than Type II banking up of disc material (Lodato & Clarke 2004)



Disc model for V1057 Cyg

- Triggered thermal instability:
 - $M_*=0.5M_o, M_{planet}=10M_J$
- Triggering radius: $\approx 12 \text{ R}_{o}$
- Peak luminosity: $\approx 750 L_o$
- V1057 Cyg Peak mass accretion rate: A_v=3.3 10 $\approx 5 \ 10^{-4} M_{o}/yr$ 11 Sequence of steady state models too red at peak (Kenyon & Hartmann 1991) 12 Recent dimming: too fast and too red for 13 disc evolution. Consistent with reddening vector **Obscuration by intervening dust** 1.5 25 2 B-V

Wind-envelope interaction

- V1515 Cyg: photometric variability early in the evolution (close to peak luminosity ≈ 100 L_0)
- V1057 Cyg: obscuration only after luminosiy has decreased to $\approx 100 L_0$
- FU Ori: no obscuration
- New model wind-envelope interaction (Clarke, Lodato, Melnikov & Ibrahimov, 2005)

Wind-envelope interaction

- 1D spherical model
- $\dot{M}_{wind} \propto \dot{M}_{acc}$ (at peak: $\approx 7 \ 10^{-6} M_o/yr$)
- Wind velocity: 300km/sec
- Envelope initially in equilibrium (Kenyon & Hartmann 1991), with \dot{M}_{env} $\approx 10^{-5} M_o/yr$





Conclusions

- New UBVR photometry of FU Ori, V1057 Cyg, and V1515 Cyg (Maidanak Obs.)
- Time-dependent disc thermal instability models reproduce well the colour evolution of V1057 Cyg (and V1515 Cyg)
- Planet-disc interaction required for fast rise
- Recent dimming in V1057 Cyg better explained as dust obscuration
- New model for wind-envelope interaction describes well the different evolution of the three objects
- Predicted inner cavity size consistent with longwavelength SED