Looking into the heart of a young outbursting star: First AU-scale observations of V1647 Ori with VLTI/MIDI



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The outburst of V1647 Ori

January 23 2004: the appearance of a reflection nebula in L1630 was announced (McNeil et al. 2004) - outburst occured in Nov 2003

Popular target

- optical brightening ~ 4 mag
- L ~ 30-90 L_{Sun} , flat SED
- spectrum: accretion, wind
- the source is embedded in an

elongated disk-like structure

of size ~6000 AU, i=60^o (Kun et al. 2004)

- young stellar object (IRAS 05436-0007)



Kun et al. 2004

FUor candidate

(e.g. Briceno et al. 2004, Abraham et al. 2004, Andrews et al. 2004)

McNeil's Nebula



V1647 Ori

Reipurth & Aspin 2004, Gemini-N 8m (g',r',i')

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 - thermal instability (~ 1AU)

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• Milli-arcsecond scale observations needed

MIDI observations of V1647 Ori

- MID-Infrared interferometric instrument for the VLTI
- Director's Discretionary Time Proposal to ESO (November 2004)
 - investigate the hot inner source structure, compare to models
 - start monitoring the temporal evolution of the inner hot region
 - look for companion (like FU Ori, L1551 IRS5, ...)

MIDI observations of V1647 Ori

- observations from December 2004, successful on March 2, 2005 (UT3-UT4, 56m)
- data reduced with MIA (e.g. Leinert et al. 2004)



MIDI results I. Spectrally resolved visibilities



MIDI results II. Search for companion

- A signature of a companion is the sinusoidal modulation of the spectrally resolved visibilities.
- We determined an upper limit for the brightness of a possible companion, at the measured position angle, with:
 - separation: 50 mas 200 mas
 - flux ratio: $I_2/I_1 < 0.1$

MIDI results III. N-band spectrum



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Analysis: model fit

A model of the circumstellar structure (disk, etc.) which fits simultaneously

- the SED,

- the (spectrally resolved) visibilities.

Usually not easy!

Analysis: SED fit

Spitzer: March 2004 (Muzerolle et al. 2004)



- steady accreation disk, rate ~ $10^{-5} M_{Sun}/yr$
- optically thin envelope, infalling rate ~ $10^{-6} M_{Sun}/yr$

* the featureless N-band spectrum * RT calculations - optically thick

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Simultaneous fit of SED and visibilities



Comparison with FUors



- FU Ori (Malbet et al. 2005, NIR): q=-0.71
- V1057 Cyg, V1515 Cyg (Millan-Gabet et al. 2006, NIR): q~-0.45 Z CMa: q=-0.75, ~60% of the flux resolved out
- The inhomogeneous group of young outbursting objects

Monitoring program at Konkoly Observatory

- K-band: LIRIS at William Herschel Telescope (Kun et al., in prep)
- optical light curve: Feb 2004 : Kóspál et al. (2005) + Briceno et al. 2004 (open)



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Á. Kóspál et al.

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Á. Kóspál et al.

Analysis: geometry

- more refined models (radiative transfer)
- compare to Herbig Ae/Be stars (Leinert et al 2004):
- visibilities
- disks



Thank you

Notes



• thermal instability (~ 1AU):

- Hartmann & Kenyon 1996





- triggered by the companion (Reipurth & Aspin 2004)
- flare of a rapidly rotating G supergiant with quasi-permanent winds + absorbing shell (optical spectrum, Herbig et al. 2003)



V1647 Ori was detected in 1966 (Messier Album) and 1995 (Eislöffel & Mundt 1997) but not in 1951, 1964, 1979, 1990 (POSS, Konkoly Archive plates): **EX Lupi type?**



V1647 Ori and OO Ser (Kóspál et al.): a new intermediate class?



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Analysis: Model visibilities

• Fourier transformation

$$I(\alpha,\beta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \nu(u,v) \exp(2\pi i (\alpha u + \beta u)) du dv$$

• Hankel transformation: simplified Fourier transformation for circularly symmetric source structure (Berger 2002)

$$\nu(r) = 2\pi \int_0^\infty I(\rho) J_0(2\pi\rho r) \rho d\rho$$

tools soon @ http://www.mpia-hd.mpg.de/MIDISOFT

MIDI results I.

- Spectrally resolved visibilities
 - slightly resolved (similar to other obtained YSO data)
 - errors: on this night all other observations were conducted with MACAO - conservative estimation: 10%





- Spectrally resolved visibilities
 - slightly resolved
 - fitted Gaussian sizes: $8\mu m 7.2 mas = 3.3 AU$



SED 204 vs MIDI 2005

- optical fading till 2005 spring is small (Kóspál et al. 2005)
- MIDI sp. ~ Spitzer IRAC (2004 March, Muzerolle et al. 2005)
- Andrews data not considered in our fit
- no "fading factors" overinterpretation

Analysis: SED fit

Simple unphysical model (spatially flat, optically thick disk)

SED

- optical NIR: our data and Reipurth & Aspin 20
- 3.6 70 µm (Spitzer/IRAC): Muzerolle et al. 20(
- submm: Lis et al. (1999), Mitchell et al. (2001), Andrews et al. (2005) March 10, 2004
- mm: Tsukagoshi et al. 2005, Feb-May 2004, Vacca et al. 2004



SED fit

q=-3/4

• spatially flat disk or

• accretion in the disk with Keplerian velocity

q = -1/2

• flared disk or

• accretion in the disk with non-Keplerian velocity or

• Keplerian, but nonviscous: energy transported from inside to outside heating the outer parts and so decreasing the temperature gradient



MIDI results III. Temporal evolution



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