FU Ori objects

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both inside-out and outside-in (?)

Fig. 9.1. Historical optical photometry of outbursts in three FU Ori objects. Modern photometry is in the B band, to correspond as nearly as possible with archival photographic photometry. Courtesy of Mansur Ibrahimov.



FUors typically have very large outbursts – EX Lup type smaller, shorter, could be disk-magnetosphere effects flickering of ~ 3-5%, few day timescales

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generally (always?) have dusty envelopes – infall probably some objects are seen only because we look down

outflow hole

Fig. 9.2. FU Ori (upper left) and V1057 Cyg (upper right); V1515 Cyg (lower left) 4 and Z CMa (lower right) in optical images. Courtesy C. Briceño.





inner disk: absorption features (centrally heated)

longwavelength: silicate emission (heated from outside)

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disk (doubled) line profiles; some turbulence, wind



differential rotation with wavelength 0.6 - 5 microns (65, 36, 22 km/s – consistent with Keplerian





strong, lowtemperature winds

clearly timevariable with bursts/shells



FU Ori: strong photospheric lines are blueshifted- trace wind coming off the disk



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- $dM/dt \sim 10^{-4} 10^{-5} M_{\odot}/yr$
- decay timescales ~ decades to centuries
- T_{max} ~ 6000 K
- hot region (T_{eff} > 800 K) extends out to ~ 0.5 AU or more
- wind dM/dt ~ 10^{-1} dM/dt (acc)
- repetitive? probably; taking the dozen or so known objects and comparing to average star formation rates suggests ≥ 10x/star
- feature of very early evolution (likely continuing infall to disk)
- probably missing many in heavily extincted phases

