The formation of planetary systems: a UV view

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- From the Solar System to disks and young planets
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IRAM map

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The source of the outflow

 Mechanical luminosity of molecular outflows larger than radiative luminosity from the stars.

• Another source of thrust required: centrifugal gear from the disk





 $J \times B = -V_z B_{\phi} \overline{u_r} = V_r$



Blandford and Payne, 1982

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An analogue of the solar wind for disks: disk winds (Pudritz, 1986)



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THE KINEMATICAL SIGNATURE OF EACH LAYER IS DIFFERENT



From z=0 to z=12 AU



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Building line profiles....



DENSITY

Gomez de Castro & Ferro-Fontan, 2004





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The thermal stratification could be used to study the properties of the flow





LATITUDE DEPENDENT OUTFLOWS

Mg II Profiles-types

Ly-alpha profiles



Gómez de Castro,97



Gómez de Castro,07

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The large scale outflow



HH 2 with HUT: Raymond et al, 97

Two phase model:

- *warm component* (T=10⁴K, n_e =10³cm⁻³)
- hot, dense component (T=10⁵K and $n_e = 10^6 cm^{-3}$) and filling factor 0.1%-1%.

(from HH29 optical and UV observations by Liseau et al. 1996)





BASIC PROBLEMS

There must be something else than disk winds because:

- Cool disk winds are unable to reproduce the hot plasma observed
- Hot disk winds do not reproduce the wide observed profiles
- Winds vary in scales of from 1000 seconds to 100 years
- All tracers (specially en HH flows) suggest clumpy winds with two clear components





The paradigm of enhanced solar activity

- The UV spectrum of the T Tauri Stars (TTSs) has:
- weak continuum
- many strong emission lines (CII->HeII)

(about 2-3 orders of magnitude stronger than observed in main sequence stars).

Simple models of hydrogen f-f and f-b emission added either to black bodies or to the spectra of standard stars reproduce the UV continuum reasonably well (Calvet et al. 1984; Bertout et al. 1988; Simon et al. 1990). The fits yield chromospheric-like electron temperatures (1-5 10⁴K).

Extinction is not high for most of them, they are weak because unless TW Hya (...) they are at 140 pc.





RU Lup: Herczeg et al 2005

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A factor of 50 enhancement on UV fluxes was converted into a factor $(20)^{1/2}$ in radius of the atmosphere



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BUT INFRARED EXCESSES REQUIRED THE PRESENCE OF DISKS

AB DOR "FLARES":



AB Dor Properties:

Age 20-30 Myrs Rotation Period: 0.51479 d Surface field: >500 G

CIV [uv1] lines



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The very broad wings are most probably related with the interaction of plasma flows along curved field lines with remnant gas in the disk...



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 In 1988, Bertout, Bouvier and Basri applied for the first time an α-disk model to reproduce the continuum UV excess of T Tauri stars

 In 1990, Simon, Vrba and Herbst showed that BP Tau's UV excess was rotationally modulated → Accretion shocks



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0

15

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t (JD-2448800)

At a very basic level:

The UV radiation caused by accretion has to be released close to the surface – Scales:<R.

Contribution: 0-~200 km/s Emission/Absorption

(due to occultation effects)

- The outflow corresponds to a velocity motion along the jet axis in the asymptotic regime, at the base there must be a mixture of motions.





(Lamzin 1998)



High resolution spectroscopy & Time evolution



RY Tau: Gómez de Castro & Verdugo, 2006

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RU Lup: Herczeg et al 2005



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BASIC PROBLEMS

Accretion is neither stationary nor being chanelled ONLY to the magnetic poles:

- Magnetospheric accretion models define atmospheric structures that extend to 3R_{*}
- Stellar fields are not dipolar (Johns-Krull, Valenti and col. from 1999 till 2005)
- It is correlated with outflow (Bouvier et al 2003, Gómez de Castro & Verdugo, 2003)





Star Formation Physics:

- Gravitation & Angular Momentum Transport
- Generation & Dissipation of Magnetic Fields

(Rich microphysics: particle-field interaction, molecules formation, dust grains)



Jet engine (*mas-µas* scales)

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A NEW PARADIGMA







The engine is a small structure (< 0.1AU) with several different constituents:

the accretion flow, stellar magnetosphere, winds, and inner part of the accretion disk all radiating in the ultraviolet.



THE JET ENGINE



Von Rekowski & Brandenburg 2005

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Star-disk Interaction

1.0

1.5



The black dashed lines shows the Alfven surface. In the left and right panels, the Alfven surface is outside the main acceleration region of the wind, i.e., the magnetocentrifugal launching is significant. In the central panel, the Alfven surface is inside the acceleration region, e.g., wind is pressure driven.



The accretion flow, at maximum, for $(B_*\approx 1 \text{ kG})$ with the disk dynamo. Colors code increasing density and arrows mass-flux.

Simulations line (Si III]) emissivity





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Cml CII] [OIL] sim] CIV D N 1-53 - 1630 -1.30 1-22 5007 1-23 1-23 - 1500 100

The variations can be tracked in the profiles

The variations and in Vc,σ plots



Vc

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And different sets-up produce different results that are able to reproduce the observed wide profiles.

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2-10 M_o (Herbig Stars)

Azimuthal structures and the very hot clumps is often interpreted by means of a 2-component wind model:

• A ``slow", dense outflow reaching terminal velocities of ~300 km/s, which produces the prominent P-Cygni profiles observed in the Call and MgII[uv1] lines and the broad, blueshifted absorption observed in CIV[uv1].

Mass-loss rates derived from semi-empirical models are a few 10⁻⁸ M_o/yr (Bouret & Catalá 1998; Catalá & Kunasz 1987).

•A ``high" velocity component made by streamers of magnetically confined gas.

Since Herbig Ae/Be stars are fast rotators, gas in the streamers is forced to corotate up to the alfvén point and shocks are expected to occur between the ``slow" and ``fast" components. As a result, dense azimutal structures are formed in the corotating interaction regions (CIRs).

B-fields are active in 1Myrs old A-B stars!

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Inner disk irradiation by the wind





Reconnection: particles are conducted by the field



Disk irradiation – I X-ray

Photo Dissotiation Regions (PDRs) are geometrically thin and the disk adopts a layered structure in "r" and "z"

UV FORBIDDEN LINES EMISSIVITY AFTER X-RAY IRRADIATION OF DENSE MATTER

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Disk irradiation – II UV (and Lyα)







 H_2 is observed in many TTSs:

•RU Lup, T Tau and DG Tau associated with the wind
•TW Hya, DF Tau and V836 Tau ??? (disk?)
(Ardila et al 2002, Herczeg et al 2006)

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Bergin et al 2004





Lyα fluorescence (lines dominated)

Electron impact excitation (greater contribution from the H_2 dissociation continumm) 0.1 keV electrons

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Propagation of 2MeV electrons in the inner border of the disk



•Most of the energy is releasead along the incidence direction within a beam of 2 10⁷ cm and a depth of 8 10⁷ cm (disk height 10⁹ cm)

•Energy spreading has to be done through the Hard Bremsstrahlung radiation energy cascade. Selective absorption by disk molecules produces PDRs

•A non-negligible source of ionization further than the atmosphere.

•A source of high energy electrons to interact with molecules collisionally

Gómez de Castro & Antonicci, 2007

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Summary -1 important connection with the chemistry



Photodissotiation rate r=100 AU with and without taking into account the contribution from stellar Lyα photons.

UV photons photodissociating organic molecules at $\lambda > 1500$ A could play a key role in the chemistry of the inner regions of the disk, while those photodissociating H₂ and CO will control the chemistry of the external layers of the disk directly exposed to the radiation from the central engine (see e.g., Cernicharo 2004).

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Important connection with the end of the magnetorotational inst.



•Vertical structure of the disk and switch-off of MRI

•The planets-disk decoupling time

Hawley et al 2002

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OPEN QUESTIONS

- How does the accretion flow proceed from the disk to the star? Is there a preferred accretion geometry?
- What roles do disk instabilities play in the whole accretion/outflow process?
- What are the dominant acceleration processes? What are the relevant time scales?
- How this high energy environment affect the chemical properties of the disk?
- How important is this mechanism when radiation pressure becomes significant as for Herbig Ae/Be stars?



There are several laboratories within 140 pc: Taurus, Lupus, Ophiuchus

The nearest target is TW Hya, 10 Myrs old at 56 pc.

AB Dor (at 14 pc) is a young main sequence star 20-30Myr old.



We need more photons!

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The large scale outflow



How the kinetic energy of the flow is damped into radiation?

Radiative cooling models cannot reproduce HH2 observations: strong CIV and H₂ emission with no OVI emission (HUT: Raymond et al. 1997)

How H₂ emission is excited (in high excitation HH objects)? Maybe collisional pumping of the H₂ levels by "hot" electrons (Raymond et al. 1997)

