The structure of protoplanetary disks as seen with MIDI

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Intro: protoplanetary disks & MIDI

Disk structure



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Disk populations



Sizes of group I and II disks (Leinert+ 2004)

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• lack of statistics: case studies difficult to combine/compare

The MIDI-Herbig project

(Collective data reduction and analysis of (almost) all MIDI data of intermediate-mass young stars >>

Data: 238 nights of archival MIDI observations, 80 targets

First results:

- size-luminosity relation
- towards a family picture

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Conclusions

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Principle: complex disk \rightarrow simple disk





Fig left: Rice+ (2003); right: temperature-gradient disk

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Fig Mid-infrared (10- μ m) size-luminosity relation

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Size-luminosity: near-IR vs. mid-IR



Flaring

Flaring disk intercepts more stellar flux

Mechanism: #(small grains) $\uparrow \implies$ flaring \uparrow

Observational appearance of disk:

larger
redder
⇒ small, large



Fig Flaring vs. flat disk



Color: the MIDI sample



Fig Correlation between normalized size and color: larger disks are redder

Distinguishing flaring from gaps?

Model population Grid of radiative transfer models for (gapless) disks

(varying dust mass M_{dust} , surf. dens. p, settling parameter α , halo mass M_{halo} , particle size distr. q)



Fig Gapless disks explained by flaring (i.e., amount of small grains)

Mid-IR (our MIDI sample)

Size-luminosity: near-IR vs. mid-IR revisited

Near-IR (Millan-Gabet+ 2007)



Flaring: correlation with spectra?

Physics of flaring: $\#(\text{small grains}) \uparrow \implies \text{flaring} \uparrow$

Expected: correlation between disk size and spectra (= probe for small grains)



Fig Emission of sub-micron and micron-sized silicates (Przygodda+ 2003)

Flaring vs. gaps?



Fig Correlation between **normalized size** and **grain processing**? (*silicate-feature sources only*)

First results: 2. Towards a family picture

Two-layer model, homogeneous disk



Physics:

- inclination i, position angle PA
- 2 $T(R) \propto R^{-q}$, with $R_{in} = R_{sub}$ and $R_{out} = 100 \text{ AU}$
- 3 silicate dust species + carbonaceous grains: κ_i

HD 163296





HD 163296: model image (*left*), fit to correlated fluxes (*right*)

54.8m, 90.0ded

wave (µm)

wave (µm)

56.1m, 2.1ded

HD 139614



HD 139614: model image (*left*), fit to correlated fluxes (*right*) (*cf. Matter*+ 2014)

A family picture?



Preliminary "images": HD 163296, HD 139614, 51 Oph, HD 104237, RY Tau, HD 144668, HD 98922, HD 36112, HD 179218, HD 142560

Conclusions

MIDI: structure (and composition) of protoplanetary disks

The MIDI-Herbig project: statistics!

Preliminary results:

- size-luminosity diagram for full sample of objects: flaring vs. gaps?
- I first model images
