

Class 7

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Classification of T-Tauri stars

$$\alpha_{IR}(\lambda) \equiv \frac{d \log \lambda f(\lambda)}{d \ln \lambda} \quad \text{Spectral index}$$

Ask them again why $\lambda f(\lambda)$ instead of $f(\lambda)$ and press. Highlight that I find is confusing - wait for answers that hint at

- 1) $\frac{d \ln \lambda f(\lambda)}{d \ln \lambda} = \frac{d \ln \nu f(\nu)}{d \ln \nu}$ while $\frac{df(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \neq \frac{df(\nu)}{d\nu}$ Invariance of shape
- 2) surrogate for bolometric flux (approximation of $\int f(\nu) d\nu$)

1) Spectrum shape is the same: $\lambda f(\lambda) = \nu f(\nu)$

Proof: given $f(\nu) = \frac{dF}{d\nu}$ and $f(\lambda) = \frac{dF}{d\lambda}$ then

$$\frac{dF}{d\nu} = \frac{dF}{d\lambda} \left| \frac{d\lambda}{d\nu} \right| ; \text{ given } c = \lambda\nu \therefore \left| \frac{d\lambda}{d\nu} \right| = \frac{c}{\nu^2} = \frac{\lambda}{\nu}$$

$$f(\nu) = f(\lambda) \frac{\lambda}{\nu} \Rightarrow \nu f(\nu) = \lambda f(\lambda) \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

2) Invariance of shape: $\alpha(\lambda) = \alpha(\nu)$. Consider the black body spectrum:

$$f(\nu) = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1)}$$

$$f(\lambda) = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1)}$$

$$= -4 + \frac{hc}{kT\lambda} \frac{e^{hc/\lambda kT}}{(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1)}$$

$$\lambda f(\lambda) = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^4} \frac{1}{(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1)} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \nu f(\nu) = \frac{2h\nu^4}{c^2} \frac{1}{(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1)}$$

Take the log

$$\log \lambda f(\lambda) = \log(2hc^2) - 4 \log \lambda - \log(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1)$$

$$\log \nu f(\nu) = \log(2h/c^2) + 4 \log \nu - \log(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1)$$

Take the derivative. For the frequency formulation

$$\frac{d \log \nu f(\nu)}{d \log \nu} = 4 - \nu \frac{d}{d\nu} \left[\log(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1) \right] = 4 - \frac{h\nu}{kT} \frac{e^{h\nu/kT}}{(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1)}$$

As for the wavelength formulation

$$\frac{d \log \lambda f(\lambda)}{d \log \lambda} = -4 - \lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left[\log(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1) \right] = -4 + \frac{hc}{kT\lambda} \frac{e^{hc/\lambda kT}}{(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1)}$$

Given $c = \lambda\nu$, $\frac{d \log \lambda f(\lambda)}{d \log \lambda} = - \frac{d \log \nu f(\nu)}{d \log \nu}$

The minus sign is only because they're varying in opposite directions:

$$\left| \frac{d \log \lambda f(\lambda)}{d \log \lambda} \right| = \left| \frac{d \log \nu f(\nu)}{d \log \nu} \right|$$

\therefore

$$|\alpha(\lambda)| = |\alpha(\nu)|$$

optical will plot λf_λ because they think in units of wavelength.

cultural difference: mm or radio will plot νf_ν because the wavelength is long and they think frequency

$$f(\nu) = A(\nu/\nu_0)^\alpha$$

what are the actual values?

Black body value?

For the star, the infrared is the Rayleigh-Jeans tail $e^{h\nu/kT} \approx 1 + h\nu/kT$

$$\therefore \frac{\nu}{(e^{h\nu/kT} - 1)} \cdot \frac{h}{kT} e^{h\nu/kT} \approx \frac{\nu}{(1 + h\nu/kT - 1)} \cdot \frac{h}{kT} \cdot (1 + h\nu/kT) \approx -1$$

Black body value for star:
in IR

$$\frac{d \log \lambda f(\lambda)}{d \log \lambda} = -3$$

$\alpha_\lambda = -3$ (or $\alpha_\nu = 3$) is the Rayleigh-Jeans tail. \leftarrow

For higher energies or photons closer to thermal $e^{h\nu/KT} - 1 \approx e^{h\nu/KT}$

$$\frac{d(\log_{\lambda} f(\lambda))}{d(\log \lambda)} = -4 + \frac{hc}{kT\lambda} \frac{e^{hc/\lambda kT}}{(e^{hc/\lambda kT} - 1)}$$

at $10 \mu\text{m}$:

$$\alpha_{\lambda} = -4 + 4.79 \left(\frac{\lambda}{10 \mu\text{m}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{T}{300 \text{K}} \right)^{-1}$$

At constant wavelength α_{λ} is a measurement of temperature!

α correlates with infrared excess! show how α correlates with N band ($20 \mu\text{m}$) excess

$$\Delta N \text{ (Stutskie+90)} \quad \log \left(\frac{F}{F_{\text{N-band}}} \right) \quad \text{N-band} \rightarrow 10 \mu\text{m}$$

ΔN is then the difference between the observed spectrum and the reference blackbody spectrum at $10 \mu\text{m}$.

A good proxy for ΔN as the photospheres can be heavily extinguished.

Young stellar objects (YSOs)
Lada & Wilking (1984) classification:

Class I $\alpha_{10} > 0$

Class II $-2 < \alpha_{10} < 0$

Class III $\alpha_{10} < -2$

Features of the spectrum

Between near-infrared (K band, $2.2\mu\text{m}$) and mid-infrared ($10\mu\text{m}$ - $24\mu\text{m}$)

Physical characteristics: André & Montmerle

Class II and III \rightarrow drop at $10\mu\text{m}$. Collapse of IR flux. ^{Devoid of circumstellar material.}

Class I and II: class I bigger envelopes, class II smaller (disks)
Difference is only on the spatial distribution of dust.

Class I has higher masses than class II: class I must be younger.

Circumstellar matter $< 0.1 M_{\odot}$ in class I & II; the central object already formed.

Class 0 $\rightarrow 0.5 M_{\odot}$, so central mass did not form yet.
Significantly younger. Cold blackbody. No flux $< 20\mu\text{m}$.

Interpreted as an evolutionary sequence:

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| Class 0: | Cloud core, star not formed. | |
| Class 1: | Accreting envelope, star deeply embedded | $\alpha_v > -0.3$ |
| Class 2: | Star + disk (classical T-Tauri) | $-1.6 \leq \alpha_v \leq -0.3$ |
| Class 3: | Most circumstellar material gone (debris disk) | $\alpha_v \leq -1.6$ |

Show André & Montmerle plot of mm-flux vs infrared

Sharp boundary \rightarrow No Class 3 has high mm flux $\alpha_{\text{IR}} = -1.5$
 \hookrightarrow dust mostly gone

CTTS $\rightarrow W_{\text{H}\alpha} > 10 \text{ \AA}$

WTTS $W_{\text{H}\alpha} < 10 \text{ \AA}$

Emission is optically thin at 1.3 mm (mm flux)

mm flux vs infrared flux
ALL DUST HOT DUST