Intimacy of MWCXXX with AMBER

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Science case:

- Probably a pre-main-sequence B[e] star (YSO)
- Disagreement in literature about:
 evolutionary status, luminosity, and distance
- Dense neutral Keplerian disk (radius ≈ 300 AU)
 Nearly edge-on
- Hydrogen recombination line masers
 Discovered at mm / sub-mm wavelengths
 Located at ≈ 40 AU
 Kinematically associated with disk
- Ionized wind (terminal velocity ≈ 60 km s⁻¹) Wind is likely due to photo-evaporation of disk

Keck Aperture Masking Images (Danchi et al.)



What we want to find out:

Inner scale of the continuum flux

use of existing data of Keck uperature masking Amber gives closure phase

--> posibility to combine both data sets

_ Complex Visibility in Br gamma line:

Interaction between wind & disk, constrains on central object

How do we want to find it out:

_ VLTI & Amber (medium resolution) with At's + Finito --> 2008 earliest

AT baslines:

_ E0-G0 (16 m) _ G0-G2 (24 m) _ G2-E0 (29 m)

Observability in July 2006

_no dark moon requierd



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--> Complex visibility in Br gamma --> inner scale (inner rim) of MWCXXX