

Excitation and Energetics of the Dense gas in M17 SW

A synergy of SOFIA/GREAT, APEX & IRAM 30m observations

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M17 SW



Stellar Nursery in M17
(NTT+SOFI)

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- M17 SW, the Omega or Swan Nebula (in Sagittarius constellation) is one of the most massive and dense molecular cloud cores of the Galaxy.
- Illuminated by UV radiation from young, massive stars \sim 6 times hotter and 30 times more massive than the Sun.
- $n(\text{H}_2) \sim 10^4 - 10^6 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $T_K \sim 50 - 300 \text{ K}$
- **Mass: $\sim 1.5 \times 10^4 M_{\text{sun}}$ (Stutzki & Güsten 1990)**
- Gas dominated by magnetic pressure rather than thermal pressure (Pellegrini et al. 2007)
- Geometry: **nearly edge on**
- Distance $\sim 1.98 \text{ kpc}$ (Xu et al. 2011) $\rightarrow 1'' \sim 0.009 \text{ pc}$
- Location: 18h20m27s -16°12'00" (J2000.0)
- Image size $\sim 5 \times 5$ arcminutes

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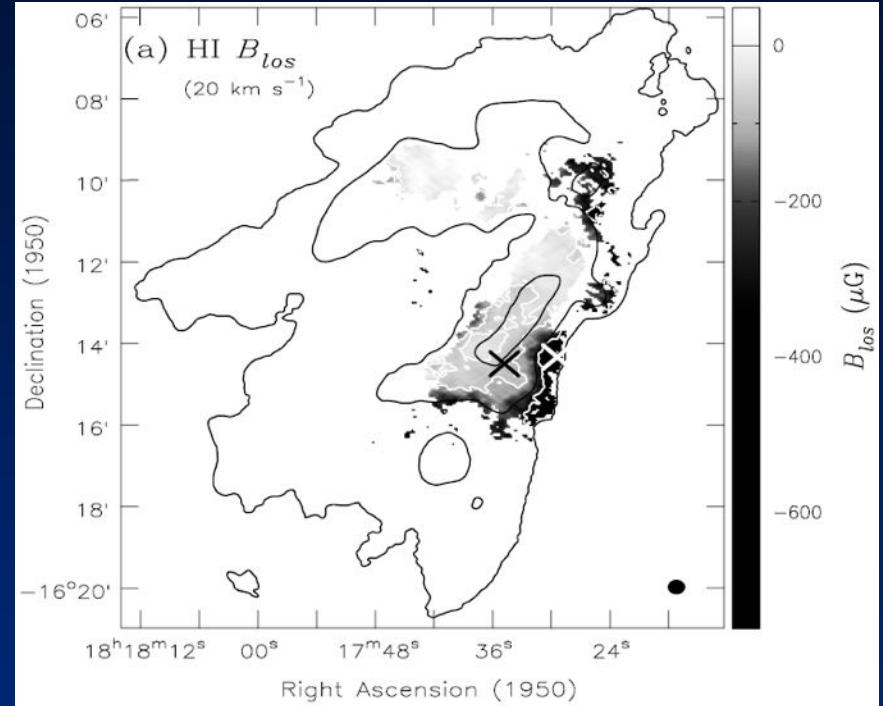
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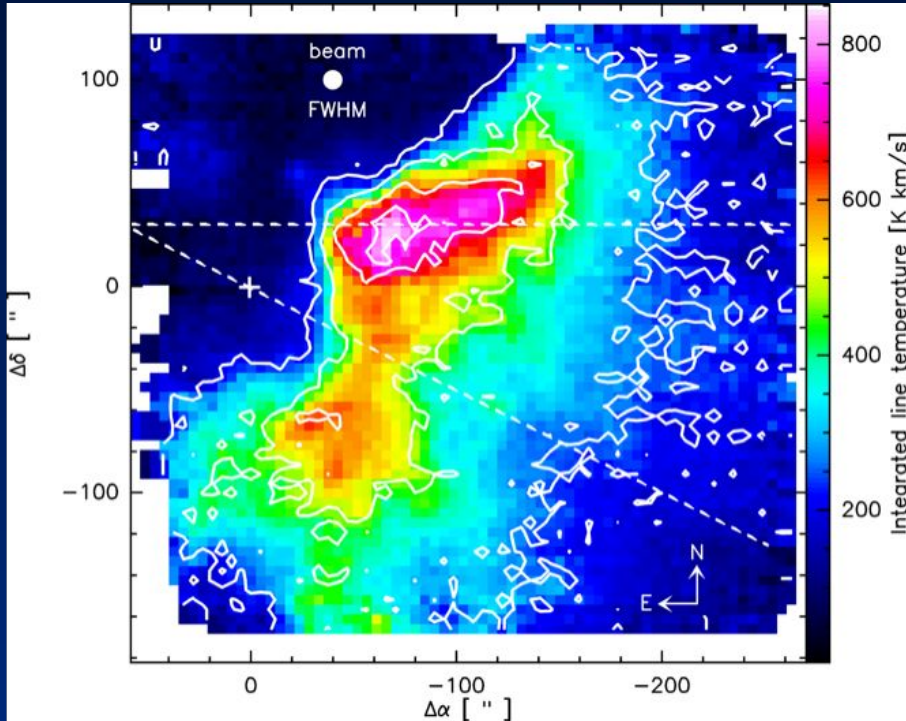
- The ~1 Myr old OB open cluster

No signs of shocks!

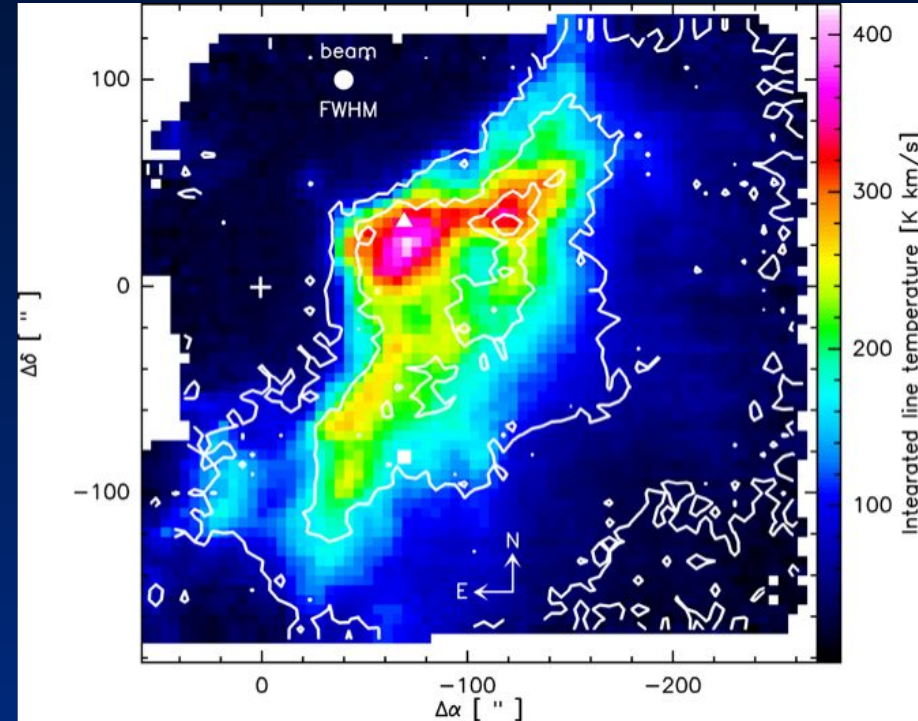


APEX/CHAMP⁺ previous results

CO $J=6-5$ color map



¹³CO $J=6-5$ color map



CO $J=7-6$ contour map

FWHM (661 GHz) $\sim 9.4''$ (~ 0.08 pc)

[C I] 370 μ m contour map

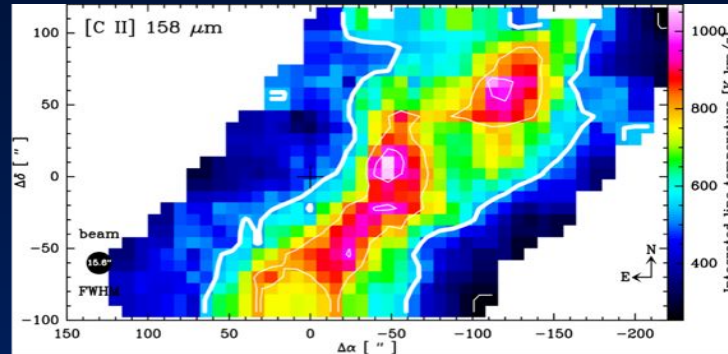
Map size $\sim 3 \times 3$ pc²

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SOFIA/GREAT previous results

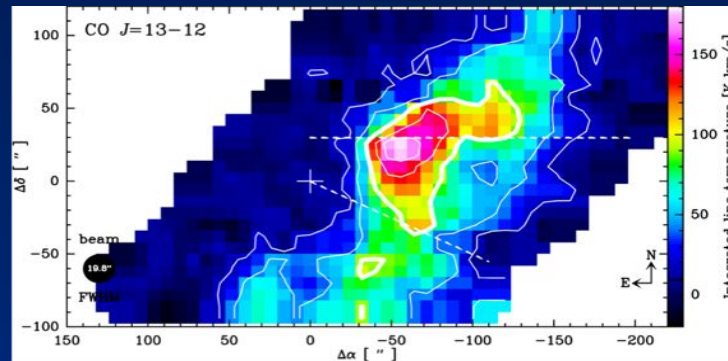
[C II] @ 1.9 THz

- FWHM ~ 15.6"
- Sampling step = 8"
- Pixel size = -4" x 4"



¹²CO J=13-12 @ 1.4 THz

- FWHM ~ 19.8"
- Sampling step = 8"
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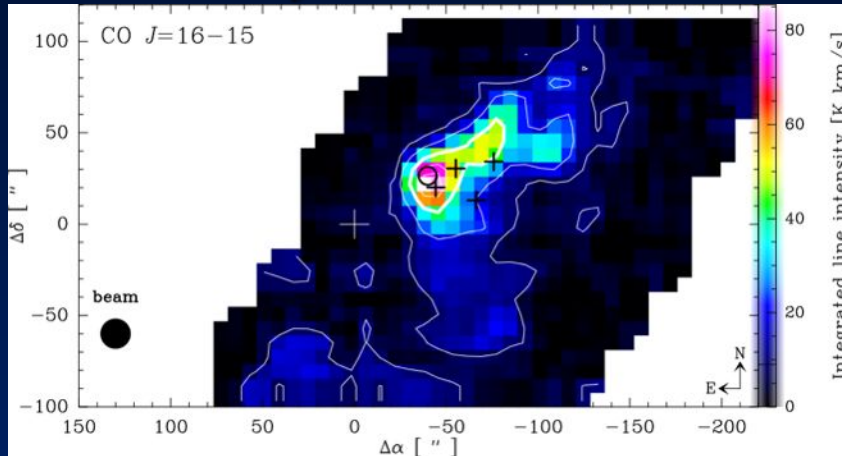


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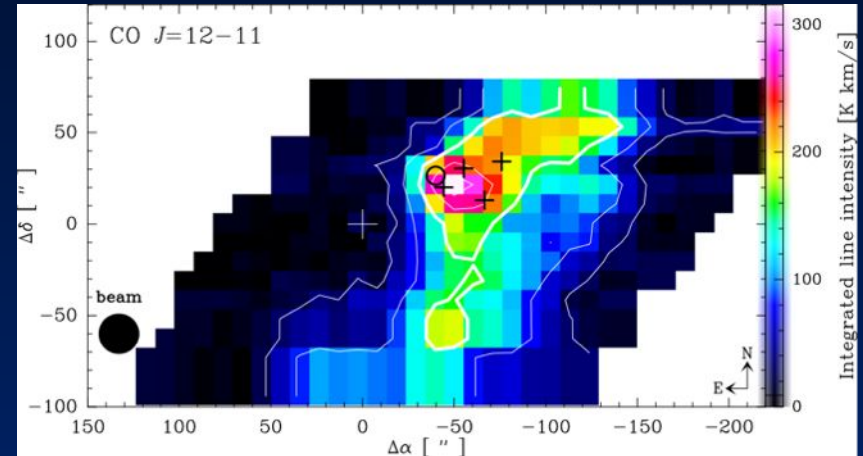
A&A, 542, L13

SOFIA/GREAT new results

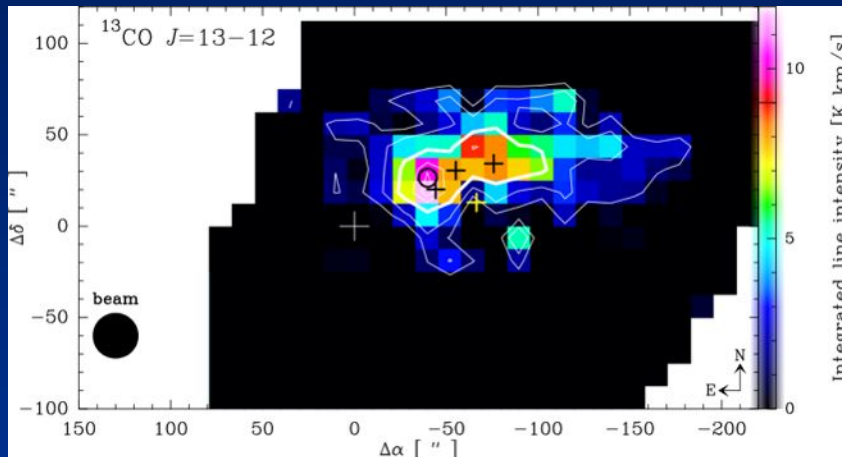
$^{12}\text{CO } J=16-15$ @ 1.84 THz



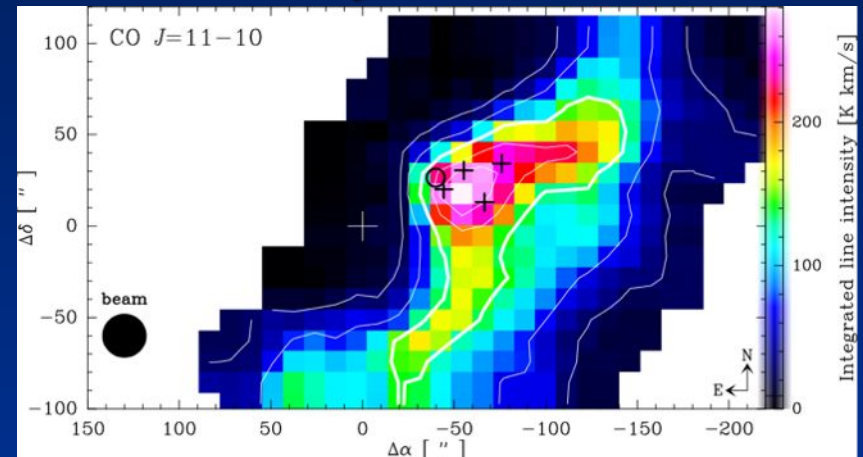
$^{12}\text{CO } J=12-11$ @ 1.38 THz



$^{13}\text{CO } J=13-12$ @ 1.43 THz

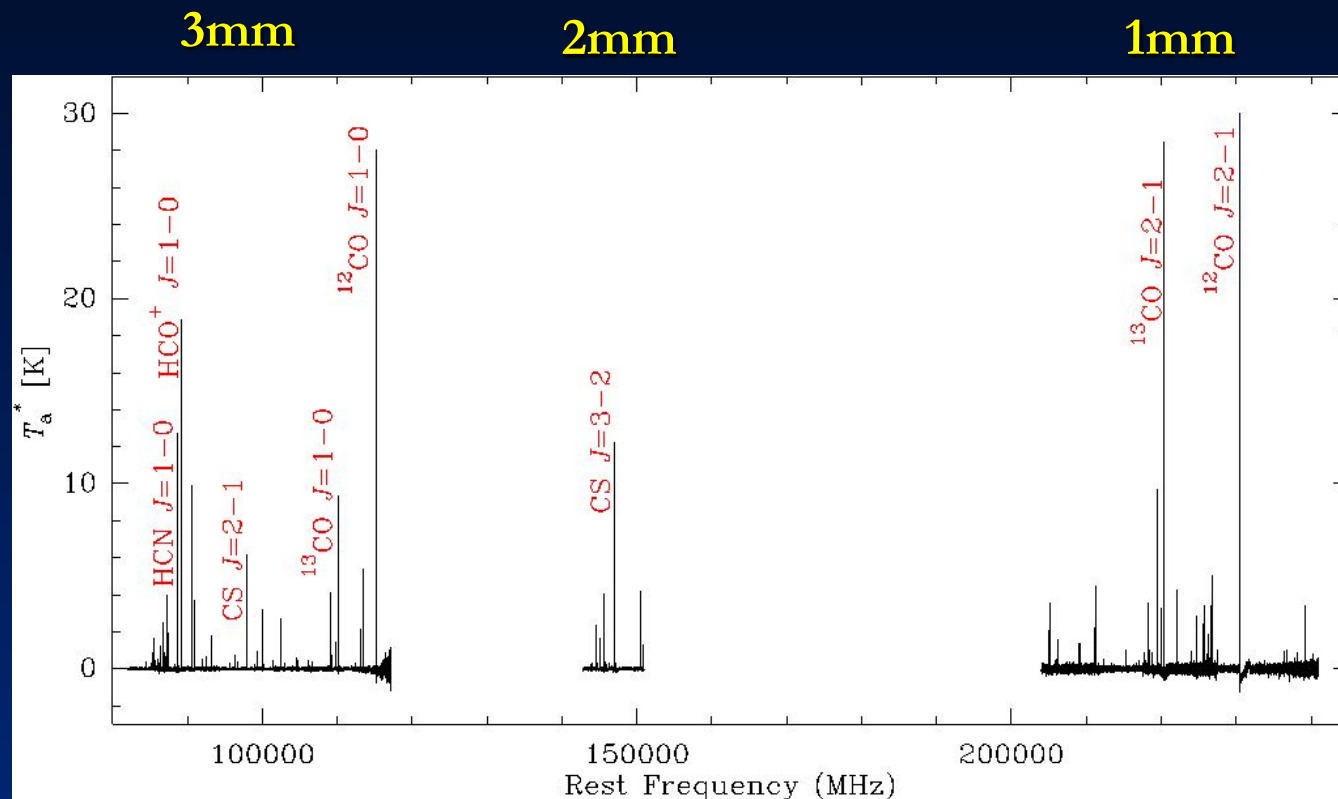


$^{12}\text{CO } J=11-10$ @ 1.26 THz

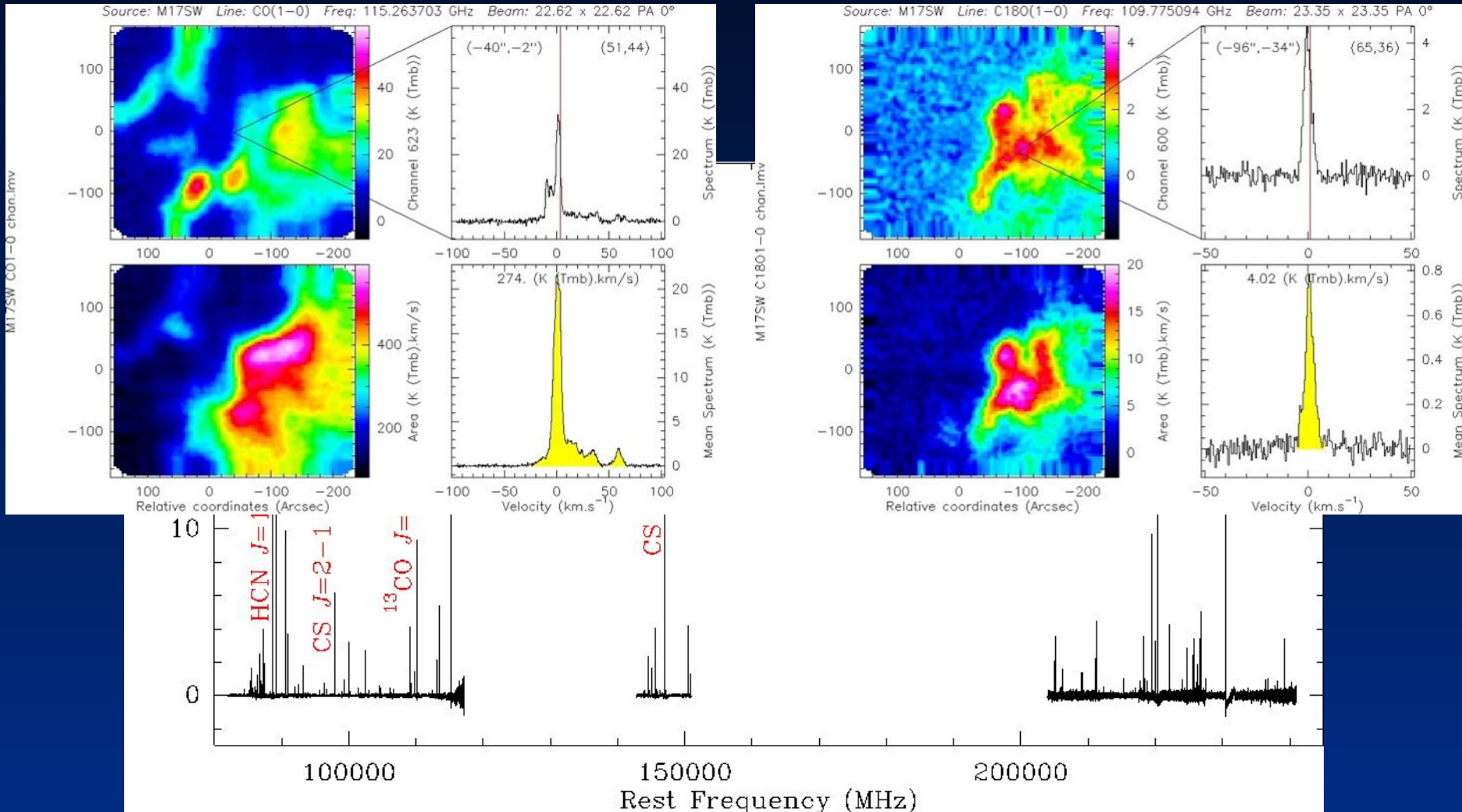


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New IRAM 30m/EMIR OTF Survey



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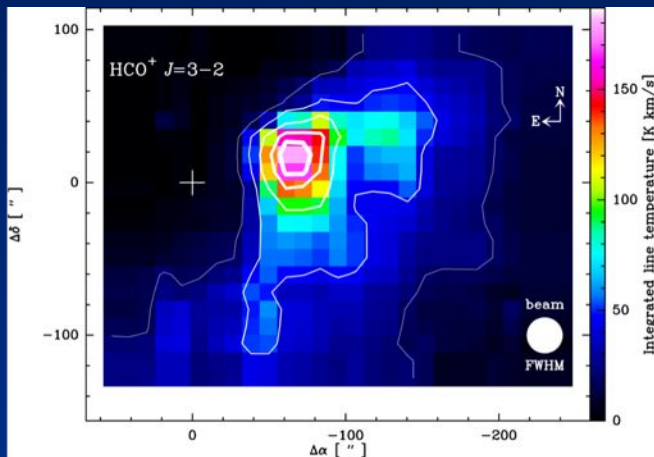
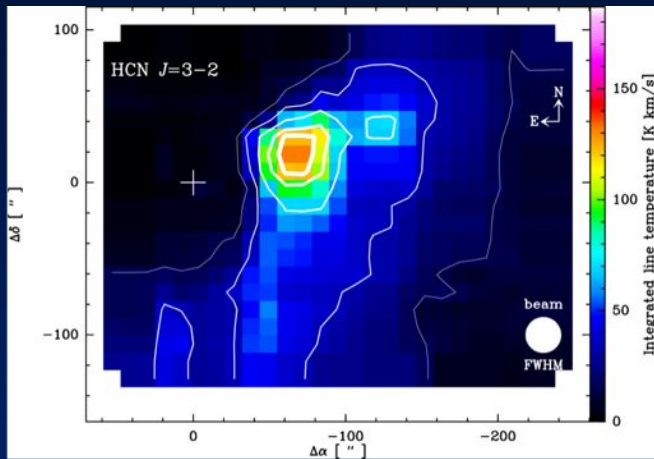
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Full maps $\sim 2.8 \times 3.6 \text{ pc}^2$

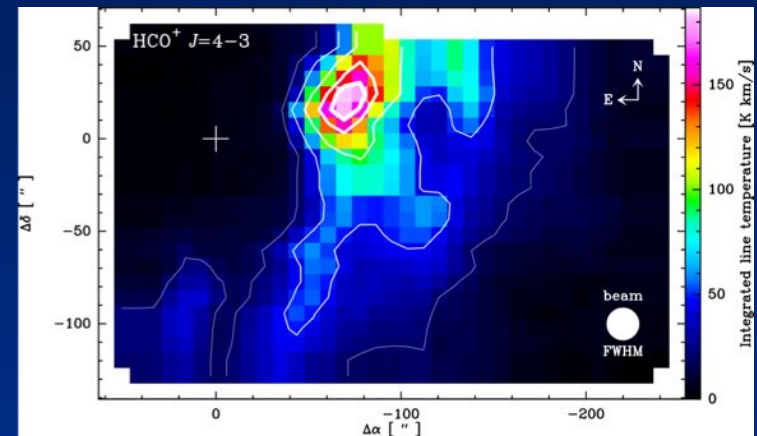
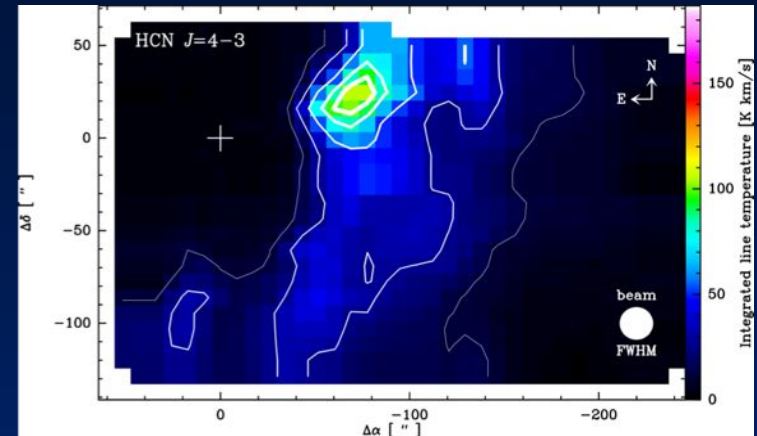
¹²CO, ¹³CO $J=1-0, J=2-1$
 HCN, H¹³CN, HCO⁺, H¹³CO⁺ $J=1-0$

New APEX/FLASH & A2 results

HCN & HCO⁺ J=3-2



HCN & HCO⁺ J=4-3

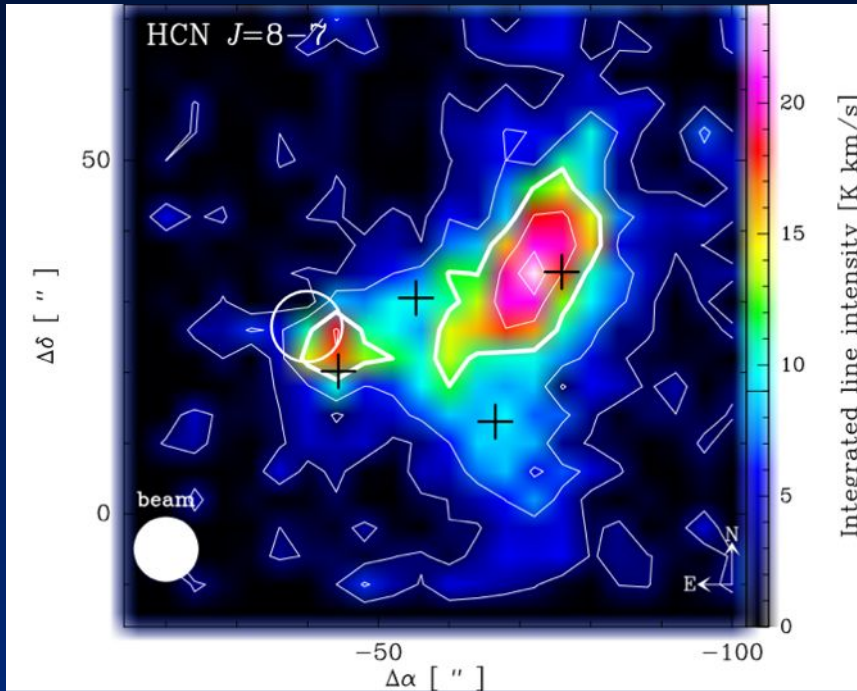


also H¹³CN J=3-2, J=4-3 & H¹³CO⁺ J=3-2

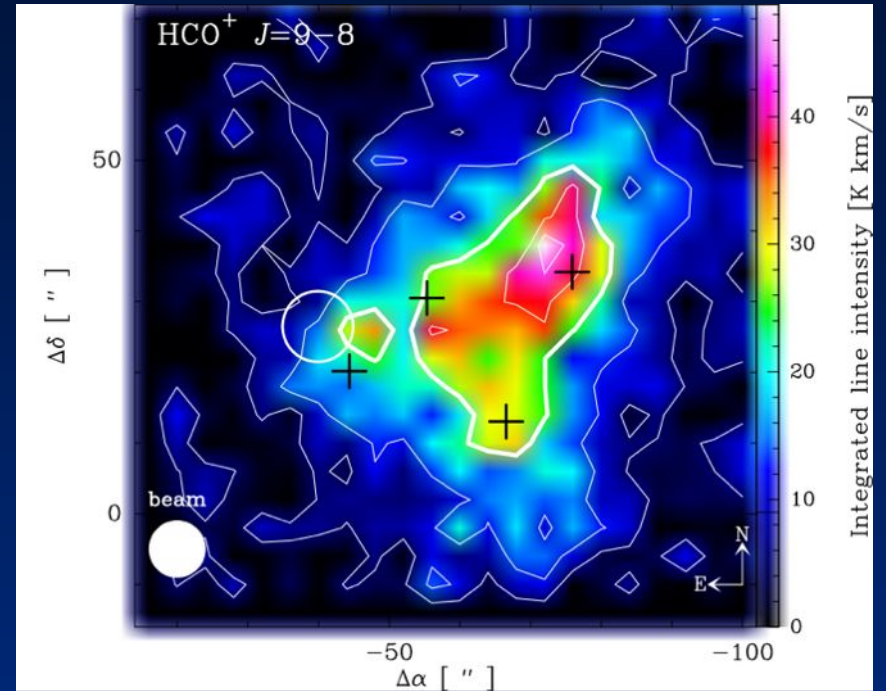
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New APEX/CHAMP+ results

HCN $J=8-7$ @ 708.8 GHz



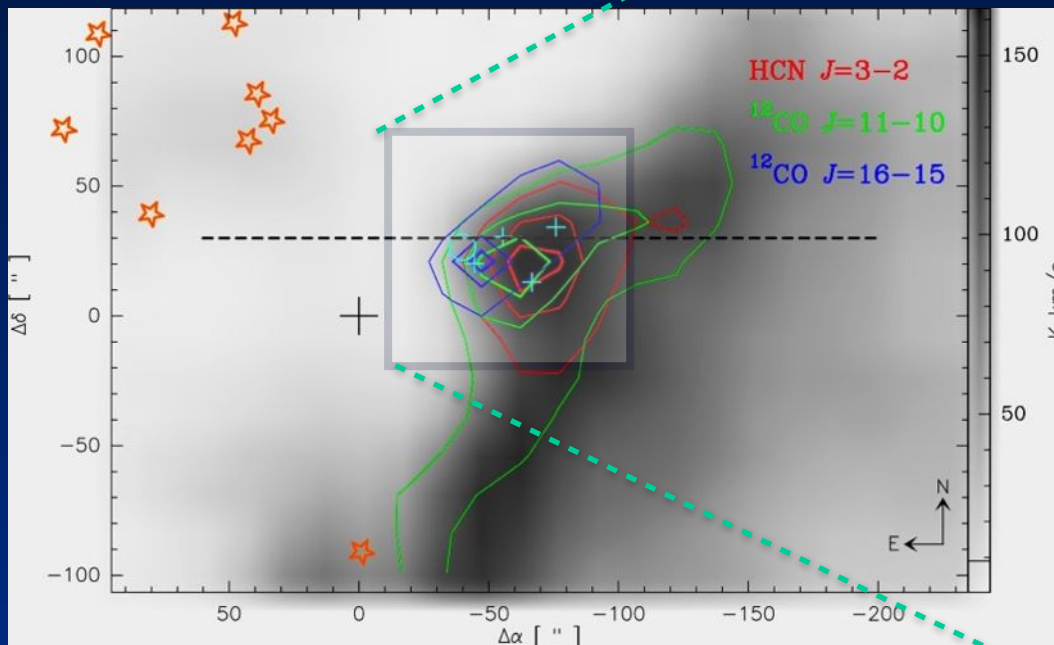
HCO⁺ $J=9-8$ @ 802.5 GHz



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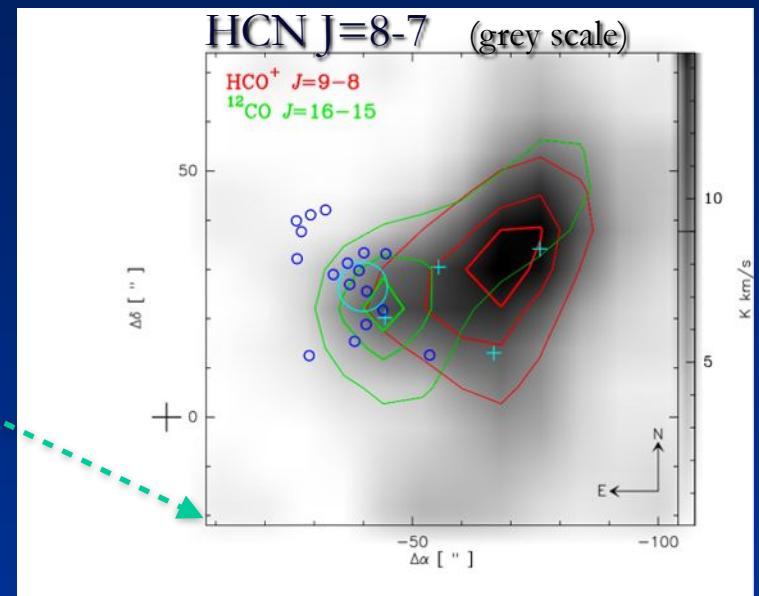
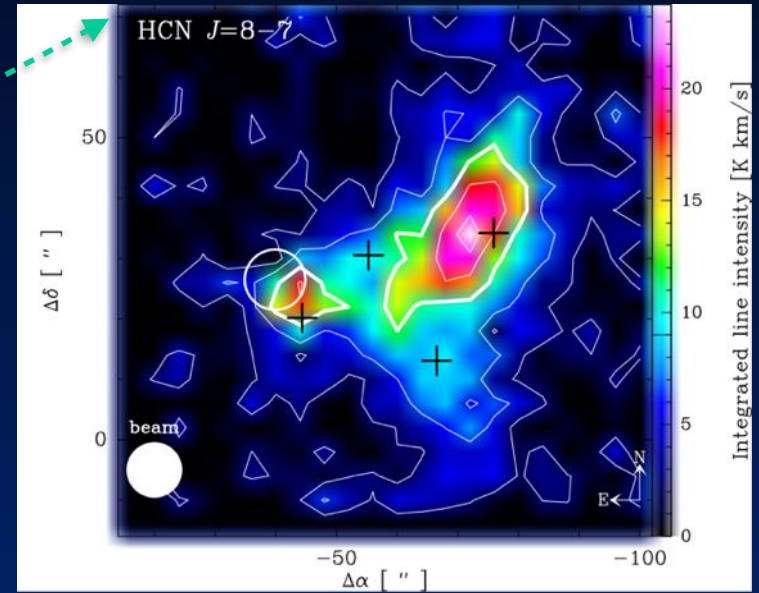
Context of the Excitation Conditions

HCN $J=1-0$ (grey scale)



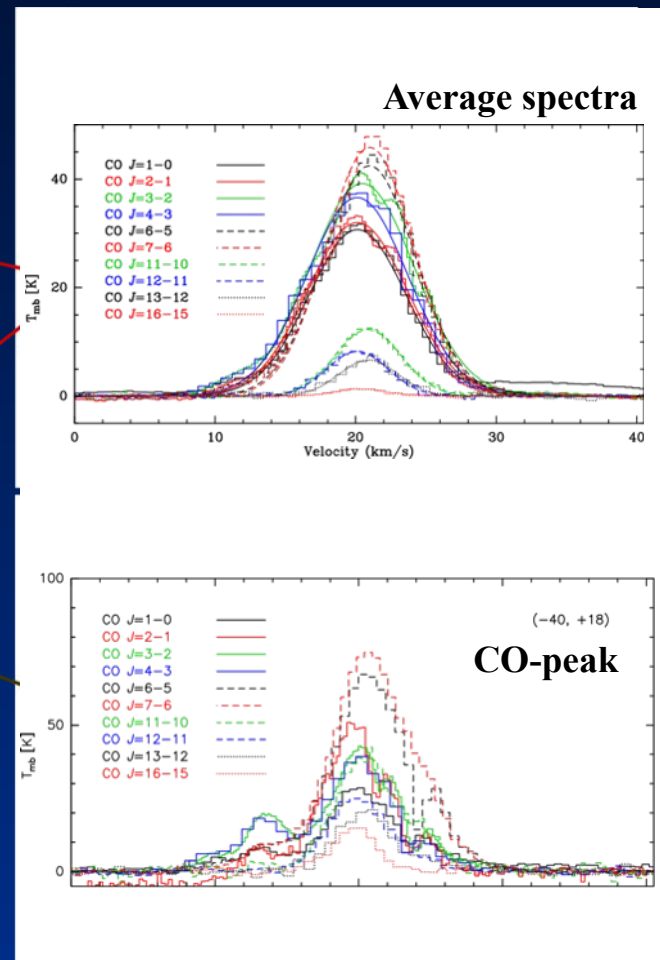
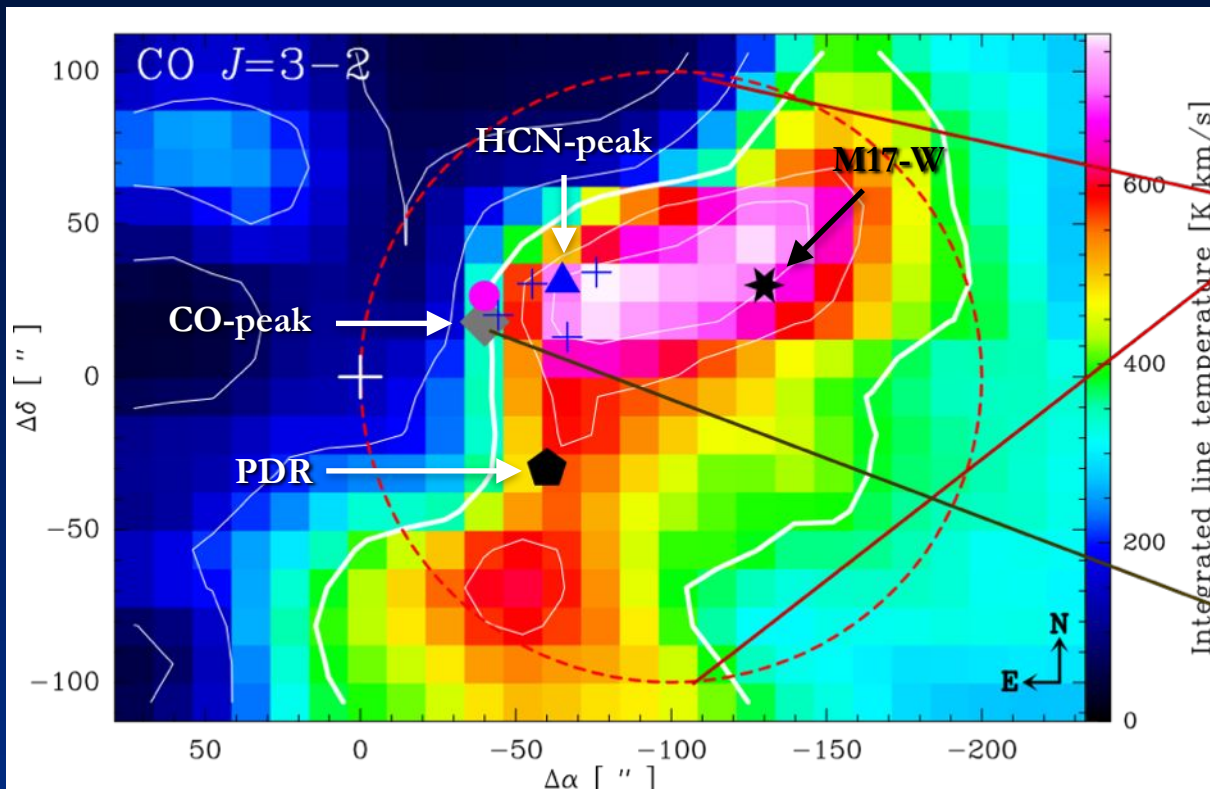
crosses: H_2O masers (Johnson et al. 1998)
blue circles: X-ray sources (Broos et al. 2007)

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Beam Dilution Effects

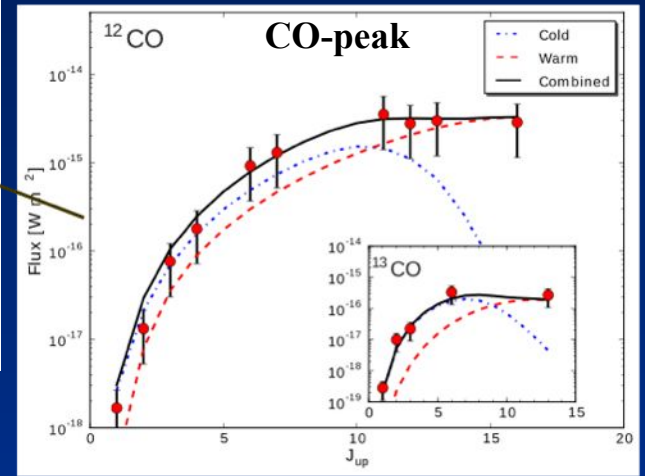
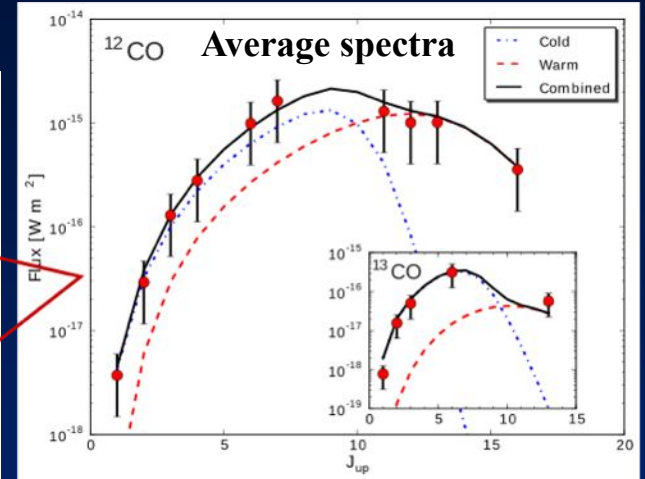
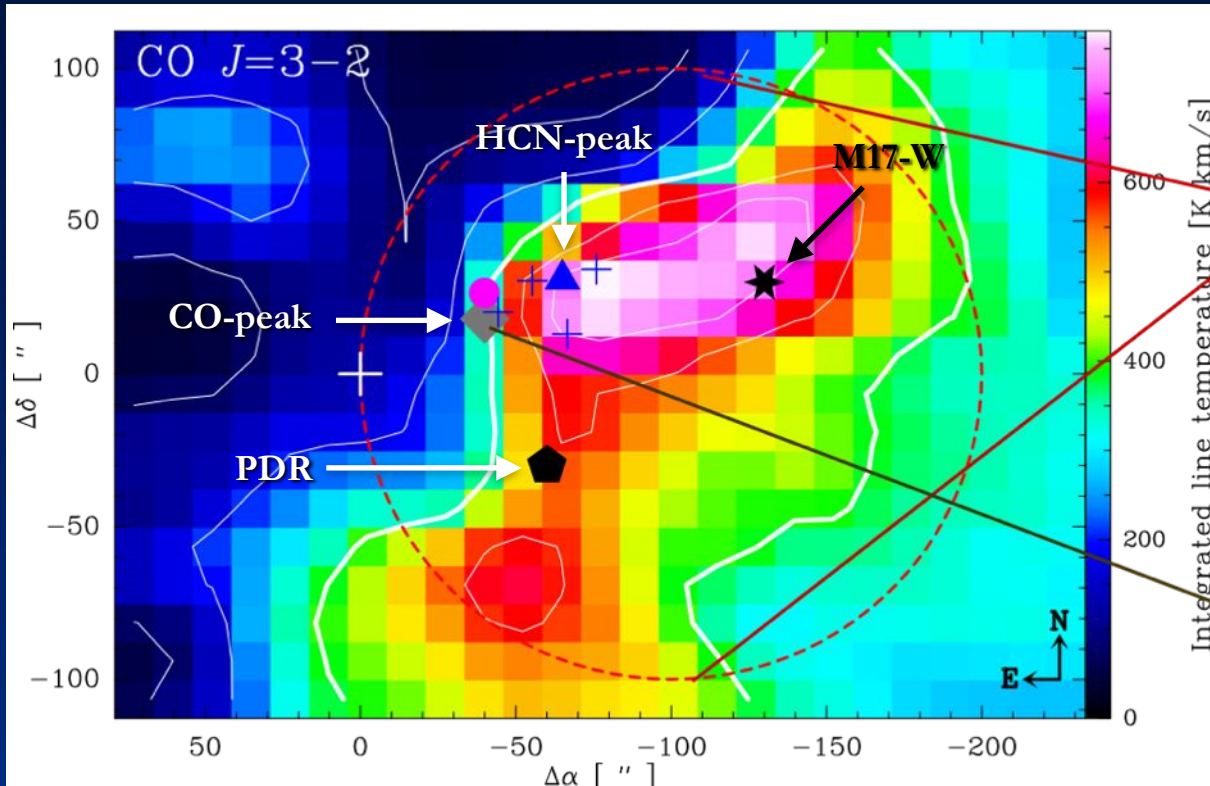
Spectra from a 200'' (2 pc) diameter region



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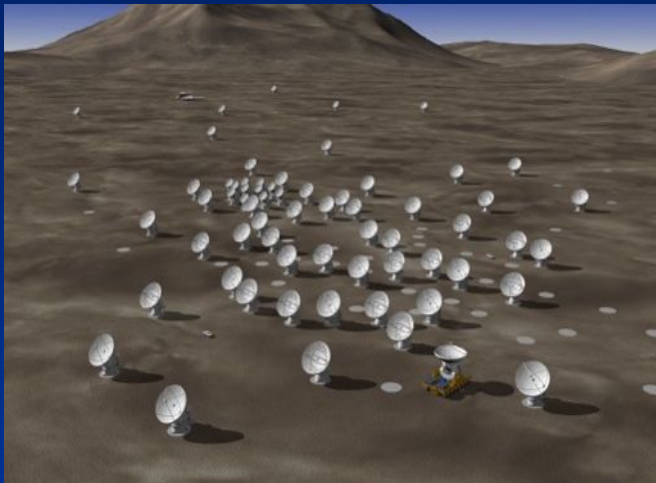
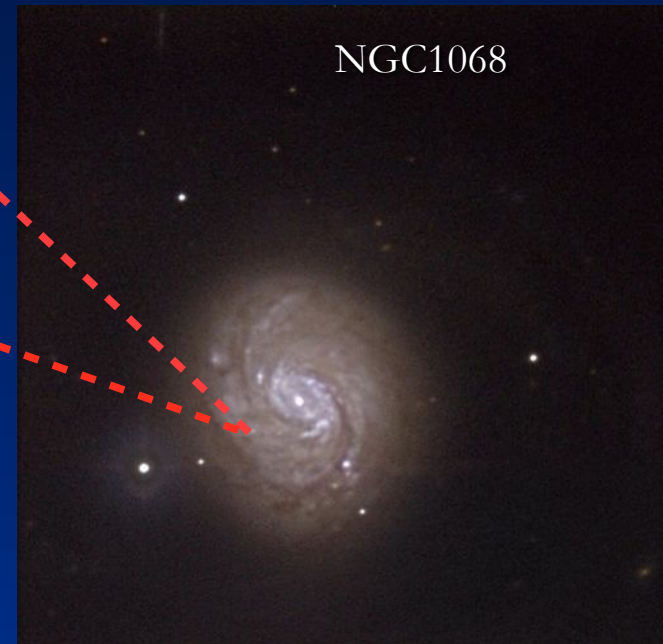
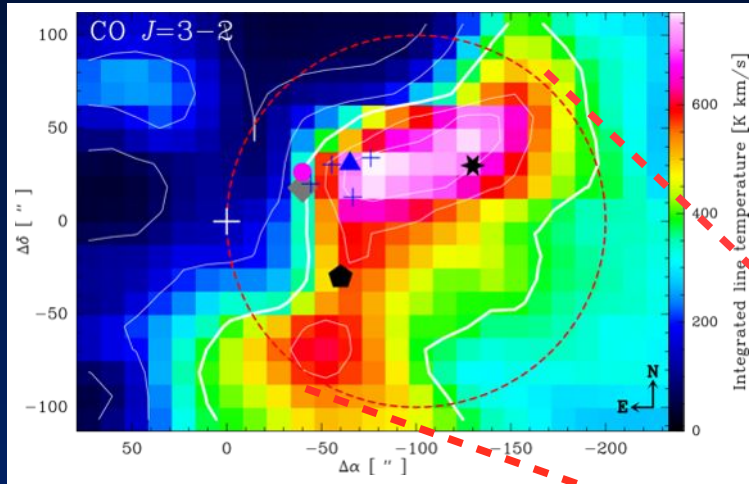
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Extragalactic connection - ALMA

Molecular clouds of ~ 2 pc diameter can be resolved by ALMA with the current finest angular resolution of $0.03''$ (Cycle 3) in nearby galaxies like NGC 1068 ~ 14 Mpc ($z \sim 0.0038$)



Radiative Transfer Model

Line intensities (from RADEX)

RADEX: van der Tak et al. (2007)

$$F_i = F_i(n_i, T_i, N_i, dv) \quad 8 \text{ free parameters}$$

$$i = \text{cold, warm}$$

$$F_{tot}(\nu) = \Phi_{cold} F_{cold} + \Phi_{warm} F_{warm}$$

Filling factors [0,1]

Φ_i = filling factor

$n_i = n_i(\text{H}_2)$ [cm⁻³]

T_i = kinetic temperature [K]

N_i = column density [cm⁻²]

dv = velocity line width [km/s]

From Gaussian fit

Constraints of the parameters

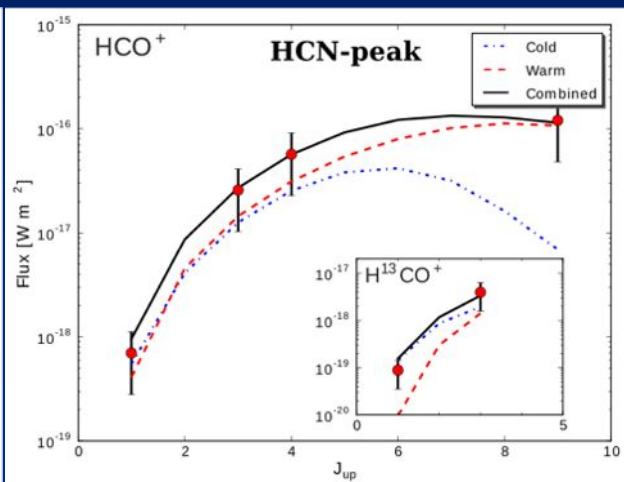
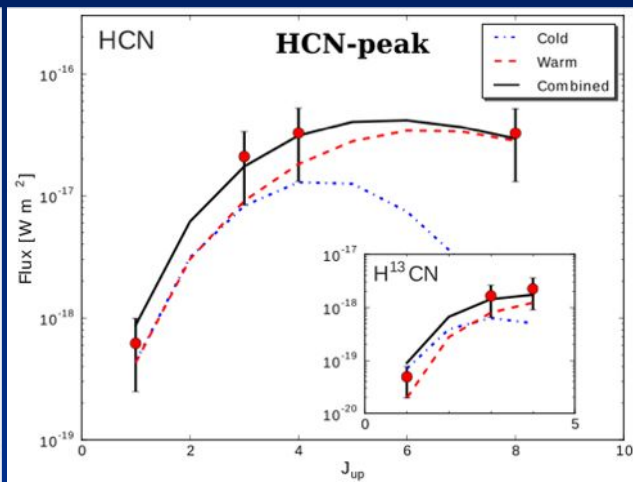
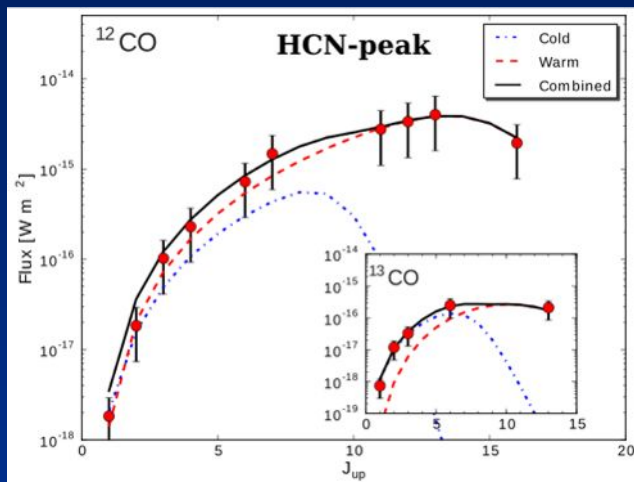
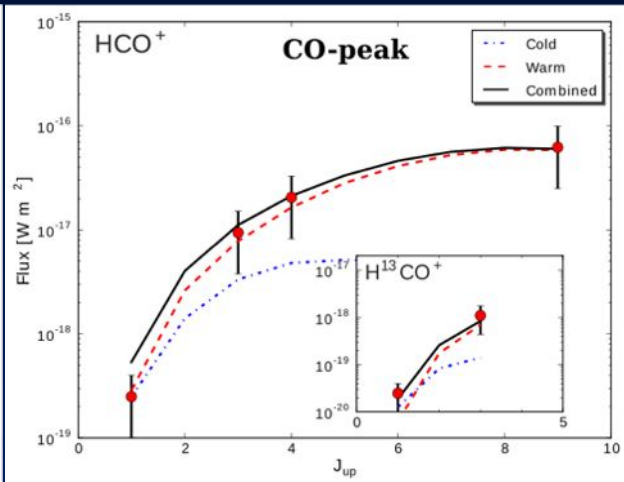
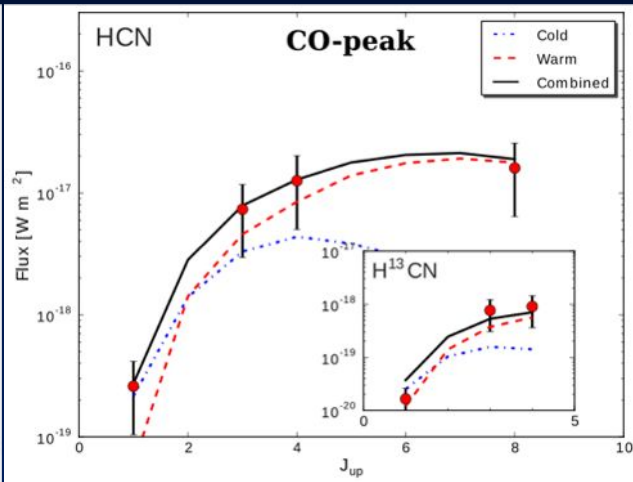
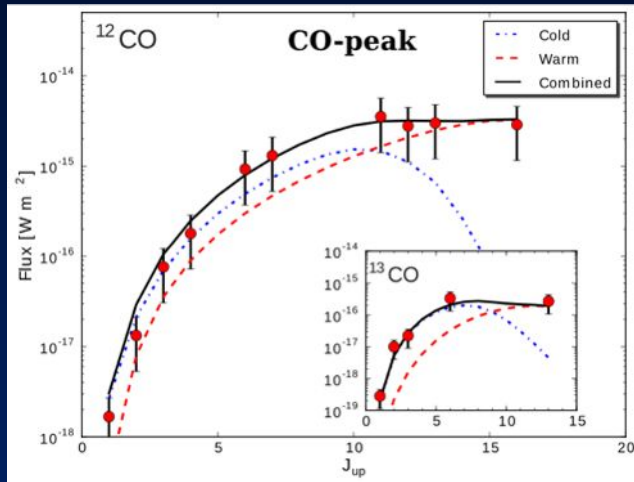
$$\Phi_i(^{13}\text{C}) = \Phi_i(^{12}\text{C})$$

$$\Phi_{\text{warm}} < \Phi_{\text{cold}} \leq 1$$

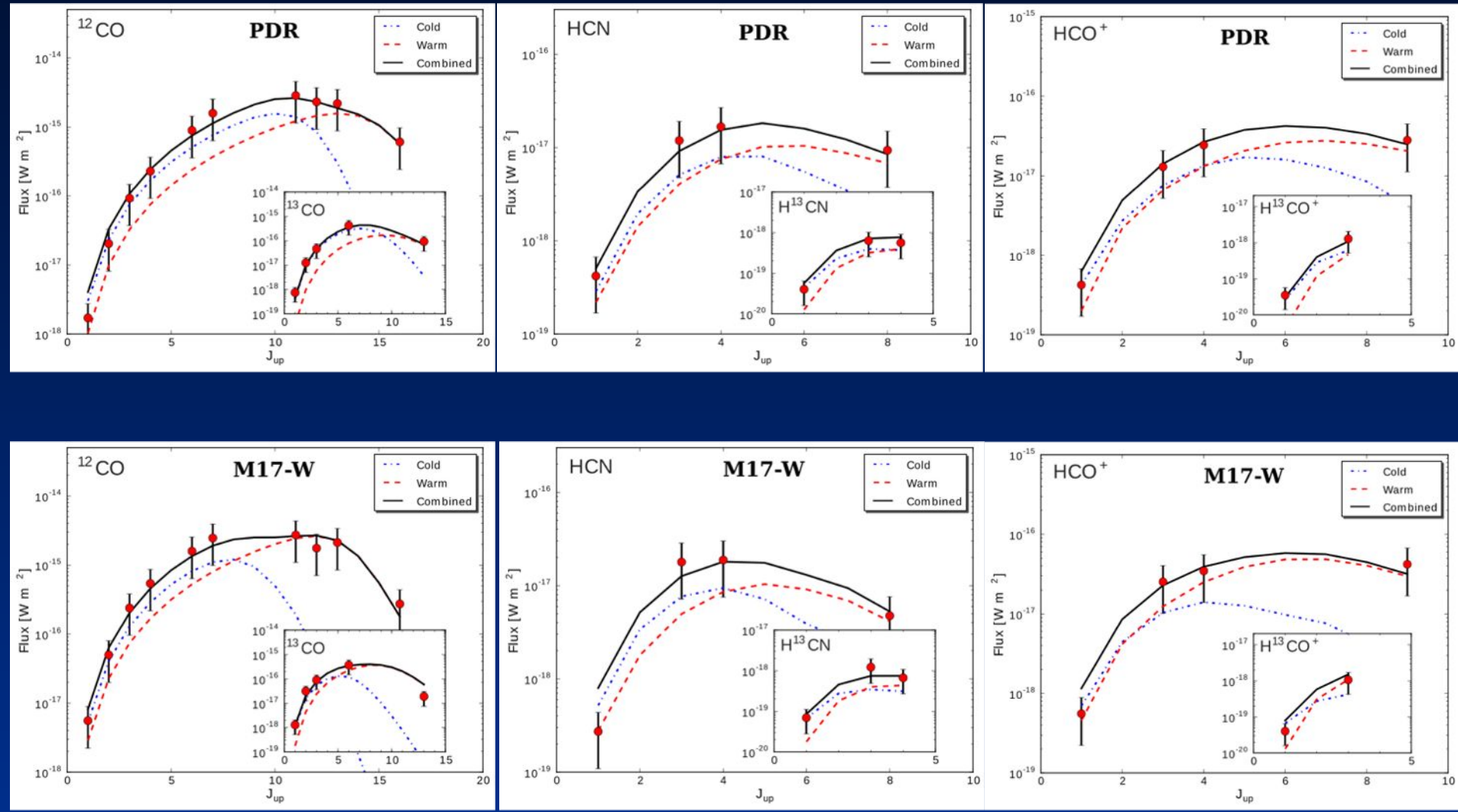
Same n_i and T_i for CO, HCN, HCO⁺ and isotopologues

$$N_i(^{13}\text{C}) = N_i(^{12}\text{C}) / \mathcal{R}_{12/13} \quad \mathcal{R}_{12/13} = [^{12}\text{CO}] / [^{13}\text{CO}] = 50$$

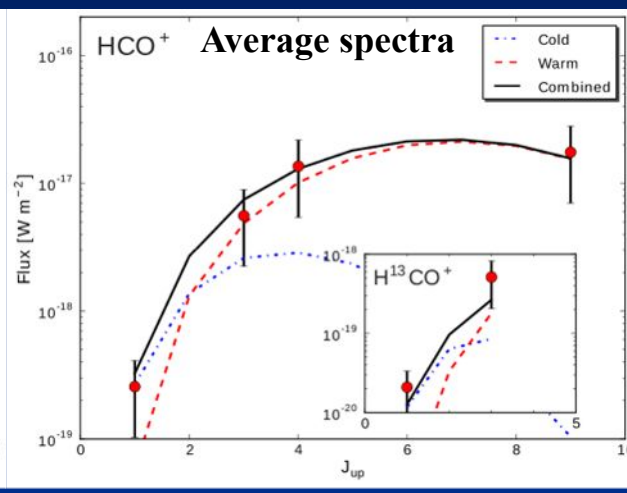
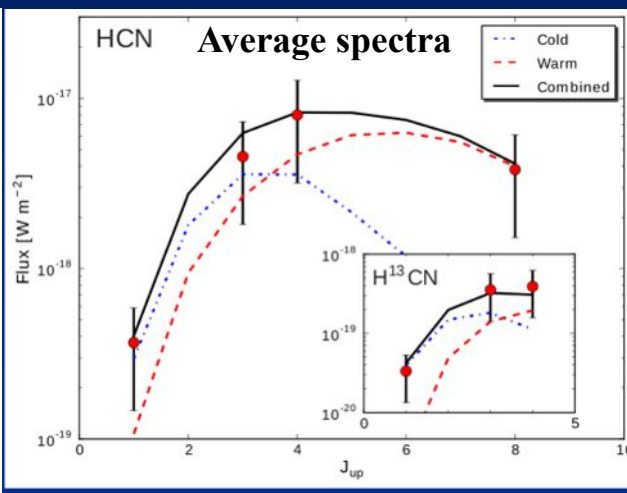
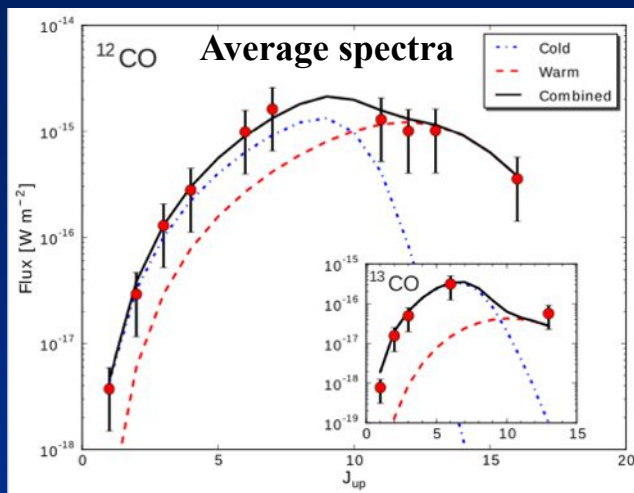
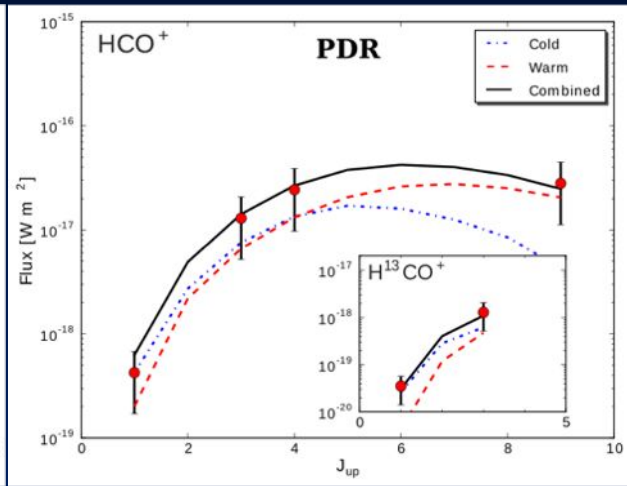
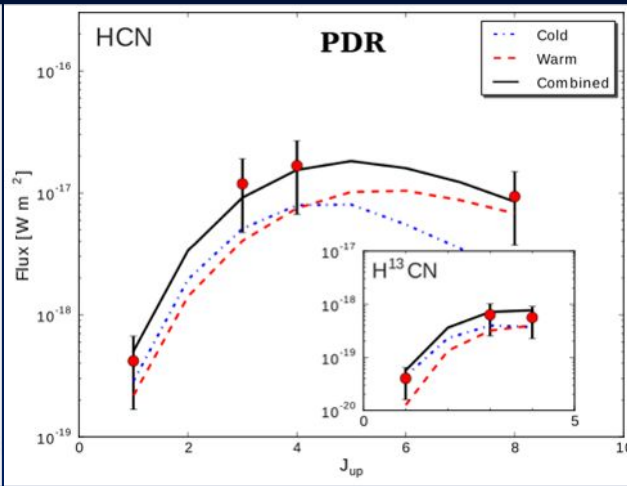
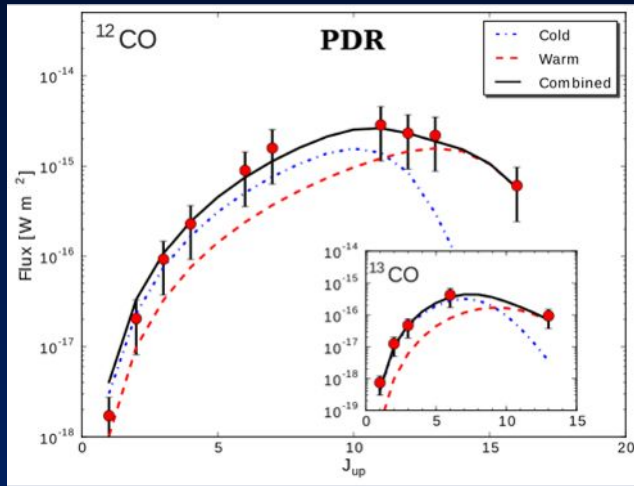
Line Spectral Energy Distributions (LSEDs) - I



Line Spectral Energy Distributions (LSEDs) - II

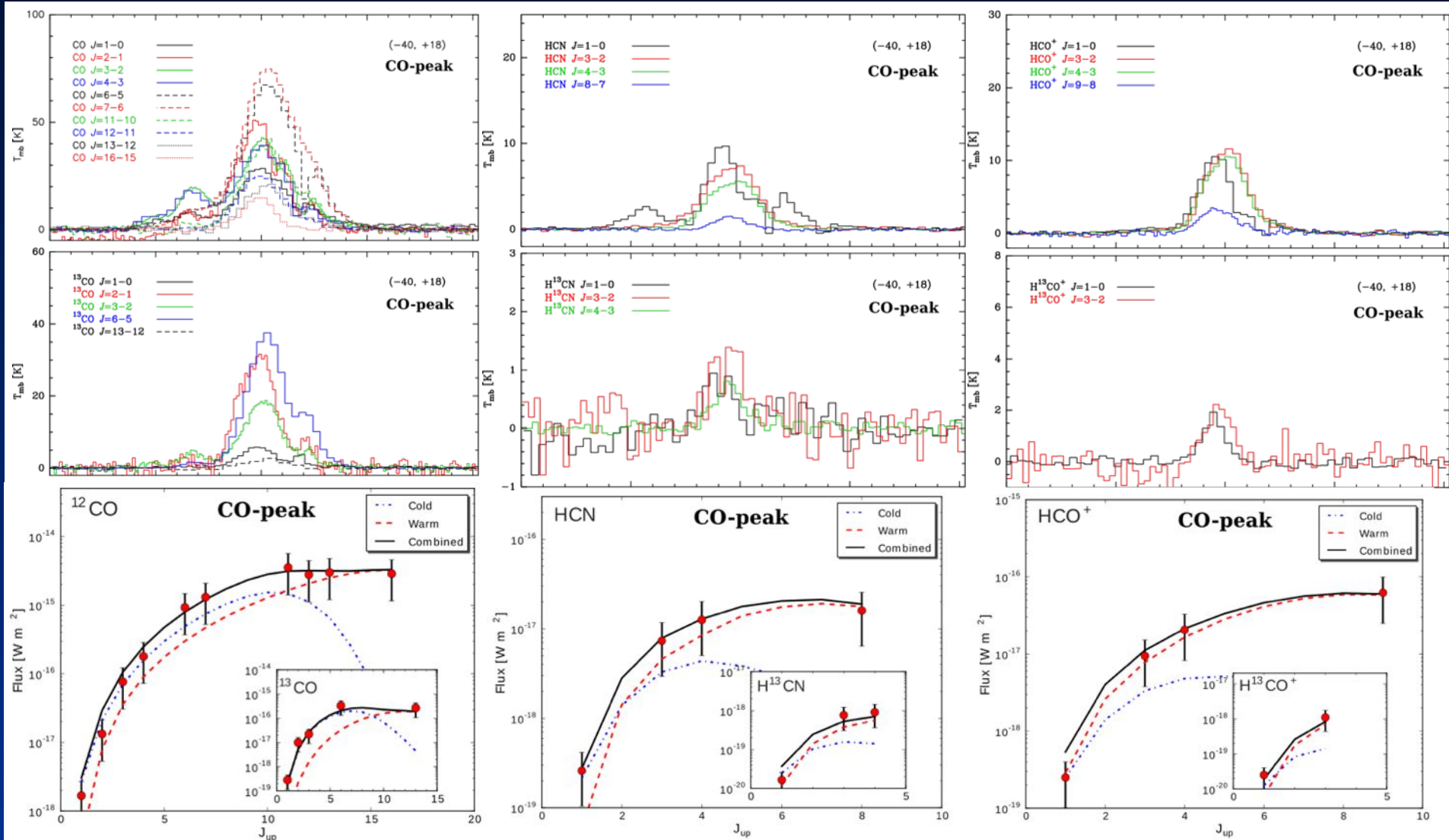


Line Spectral Energy Distributions (LSEDs) - III



Line Spectral Energy Distributions (LSEDs)

Line intensities (from Gaussian fit)



Excitation Conditions at Selected Positions

CO-peak

Parameter	CO	HCN	HCO ⁺
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.50 ± 0.05	0.40 ± 0.05	0.40 ± 0.04
$n_{\text{cold}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	4.80 ± 0.61	4.80 ± 0.46	4.80 ± 0.58
T_{cold} [K]	90.00 ± 12.59	90.00 ± 8.21	90.00 ± 10.18
N_{cold} [cm ⁻²]	18.80 ± 0.35	15.30 ± 0.95	14.40 ± 1.33
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01
$n_{\text{warm}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	5.70 ± 0.35	5.70 ± 0.62	5.70 ± 0.50
T_{warm} [K]	240.00 ± 29.77	240.00 ± 26.55	240.00 ± 26.54
N_{warm} [cm ⁻²]	18.50 ± 1.23	15.30 ± 1.10	15.10 ± 0.87
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.50 ± 0.06	0.40 ± 0.04	0.40 ± 0.04
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01
$\Delta V(^{12}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	4.60	4.60	4.30
$\Delta V(^{13}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	3.90	3.60	3.20

HCN-peak

Parameter	CO	HCN	HCO ⁺
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{12}\text{C})$	1.00 ± 0.09	0.40 ± 0.05	0.40 ± 0.05
$n_{\text{cold}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	4.50 ± 0.47	4.50 ± 0.47	4.50 ± 0.46
T_{cold} [K]	40.00 ± 3.78	40.00 ± 5.37	40.00 ± 4.83
N_{cold} [cm ⁻²]	18.90 ± 1.12	16.60 ± 1.06	16.40 ± 1.08
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.35 ± 0.04	0.15 ± 0.01	0.15 ± 0.02
$n_{\text{warm}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	6.00 ± 0.73	6.00 ± 0.52	6.00 ± 0.48
T_{warm} [K]	130.00 ± 11.59	130.00 ± 15.33	130.00 ± 14.03
N_{warm} [cm ⁻²]	18.40 ± 0.37	15.40 ± 0.54	15.20 ± 0.81
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{13}\text{C})$	1.00 ± 0.11	0.40 ± 0.05	0.40 ± 0.03
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.35 ± 0.04	0.15 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.01
$\Delta V(^{12}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	4.60	7.50	6.00
$\Delta V(^{13}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	3.50	3.90	3.70

PDR

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$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.90 ± 0.07	0.35 ± 0.04	0.35 ± 0.04
$n_{\text{cold}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	5.30 ± 0.36	5.30 ± 0.49	5.30 ± 0.62
T_{cold} [K]	60.00 ± 5.32	60.00 ± 6.82	60.00 ± 7.09
N_{cold} [cm ⁻²]	18.95 ± 0.47	15.40 ± 0.85	14.80 ± 1.13
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.20 ± 0.01	0.15 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.02
$n_{\text{warm}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	5.80 ± 0.37	5.80 ± 0.65	5.80 ± 0.56
T_{warm} [K]	110.00 ± 11.56	110.00 ± 12.33	110.00 ± 13.42
N_{warm} [cm ⁻²]	18.60 ± 0.31	15.10 ± 1.10	14.70 ± 1.11
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.90 ± 0.09	0.35 ± 0.04	0.35 ± 0.04
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M17-W

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T_{cold} [K]	60.00 ± 0.00	60.00 ± 5.17	60.00 ± 7.12
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$n_{\text{warm}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	5.80 ± 0.00	5.80 ± 0.39	5.80 ± 0.54
T_{warm} [K]	80.00 ± 0.00	80.00 ± 8.61	80.00 ± 8.79
N_{warm} [cm ⁻²]	18.90 ± 0.00	15.10 ± 1.21	15.00 ± 0.56
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{13}\text{C})$	1.00 ± 0.00	0.80 ± 0.08	0.80 ± 0.09
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$\Delta V(^{12}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	4.60	7.50	6.00
$\Delta V(^{13}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	3.50	3.90	3.70

PDR

Parameter	CO	HCN	HCO ⁺
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.90 ± 0.07	0.35 ± 0.04	0.35 ± 0.04
$n_{\text{cold}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	5.30 ± 0.36	5.30 ± 0.49	5.30 ± 0.62
T_{cold} [K]	60.00 ± 5.32	60.00 ± 6.82	60.00 ± 7.09
N_{cold} [cm ⁻²]	18.95 ± 0.47	15.40 ± 0.85	14.80 ± 1.13
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.20 ± 0.01	0.15 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.02
$n_{\text{warm}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	5.80 ± 0.37	5.80 ± 0.65	5.80 ± 0.56
T_{warm} [K]	110.00 ± 11.56	110.00 ± 12.33	110.00 ± 13.42
N_{warm} [cm ⁻²]	18.60 ± 0.31	15.10 ± 1.10	14.70 ± 1.11
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.90 ± 0.09	0.35 ± 0.04	0.35 ± 0.04
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.20 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.02	0.15 ± 0.02
$\Delta V(^{12}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	4.30	5.00	4.50
$\Delta V(^{13}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	4.30	3.80	3.90

Average Spectra

Parameter	CO	HCN	HCO ⁺
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{12}\text{C})$	1.00 ± 0.13	0.60 ± 0.07	0.60 ± 0.07
$n_{\text{cold}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	4.80 ± 0.25	4.80 ± 0.49	4.80 ± 0.54
T_{cold} [K]	42.00 ± 3.71	42.00 ± 3.91	42.00 ± 4.38
N_{cold} [cm ⁻²]	19.50 ± 0.48	15.40 ± 1.19	14.20 ± 0.88
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{12}\text{C})$	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01
$n_{\text{warm}}(\text{H}_2)$ [cm ⁻³]	6.00 ± 0.60	6.00 ± 0.77	6.00 ± 0.48
T_{warm} [K]	135.00 ± 8.46	135.00 ± 12.09	135.00 ± 15.51
N_{warm} [cm ⁻²]	18.10 ± 0.36	14.70 ± 0.94	14.40 ± 0.50
$\Phi_{\text{cold}}(^{13}\text{C})$	1.00 ± 0.12	0.60 ± 0.06	0.60 ± 0.05
$\Phi_{\text{warm}}(^{13}\text{C})$	0.10 ± 0.00	0.10 ± 0.01	0.10 ± 0.01
$\Delta V(^{12}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	8.00	6.00	6.00
$\Delta V(^{13}\text{C})$ [km s ⁻¹]	6.00	6.00	4.00

Energy Balance in the Cloudlets

Gravitational Energy

Magnetic Wave Energy

Equipartition with internal motions

$$\mathcal{P}_s + |\mathcal{W}| = \mathcal{M}_S + \mathcal{M}_w + 2\mathcal{T}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_w = \mathcal{T}$$

External Pressure

(radiation pressure from stars)

Static Magnetic Energy

Kinetic Energy

$$P_{\text{star}} = Q(H^0) \langle h\nu \rangle / 4\pi R_H^2 c k$$

R_H : distance from the star cluster to the position in the cloud
 $\langle h\nu \rangle$: mean photon energy of an O star, assumed 15 eV

$$Q(H^0) = 2.39 \times 10^{50} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Total luminosity by number of ionising H photons per second, at a distance of 1.98 kpc

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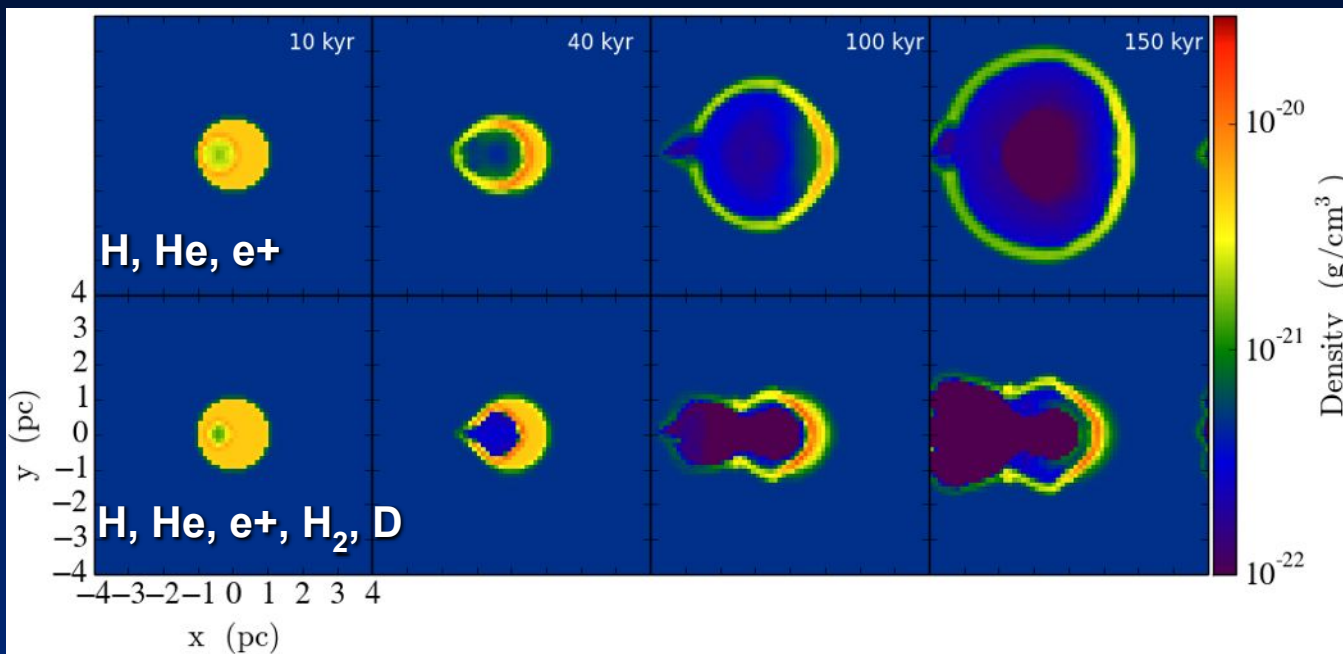
Kinetic Energy

Position ^a	P_s		\mathcal{M}_S		\mathcal{M}_w		$2\mathcal{T}$		$ \mathcal{W} $	
	Cold [ergs]	Warm [ergs]	Cold [ergs]	Warm [ergs]	Cold [ergs]	Warm [ergs]	Cold [ergs]	Warm [ergs]	Cold [ergs]	Warm [ergs]
HCN-peak	1.3×10^{47}	2.3×10^{45}	1.0×10^{47}	1.0×10^{41}	1.1×10^{46}	1.3×10^{45}	2.3×10^{46}	2.5×10^{45}	1.2×10^{45}	1.5×10^{45}
CO-peak	2.0×10^{46}	1.3×10^{45}	6.6×10^{45}	1.7×10^{42}	4.6×10^{45}	4.6×10^{44}	9.1×10^{45}	9.1×10^{44}	4.9×10^{44}	7.8×10^{43}
PDR	2.4×10^{46}	2.5×10^{45}	1.6×10^{45}	4.6×10^{42}	1.0×10^{46}	1.0×10^{45}	2.0×10^{46}	2.0×10^{45}	7.1×10^{45}	4.9×10^{44}
M17-W	3.4×10^{48}	2.7×10^{46}	3.3×10^{48}	1.3×10^{43}	3.2×10^{46}	1.0×10^{46}	6.5×10^{46}	2.1×10^{46}	6.2×10^{44}	3.9×10^{45}

Ongoing Studies

MHD simulations with ENZO (enzo-project.org)

“Champagne flow” (York 1986)



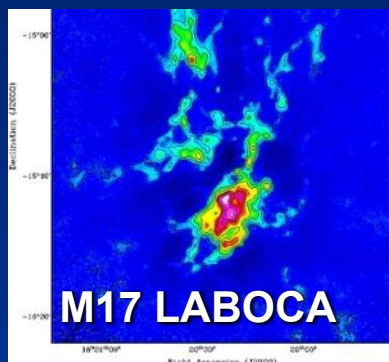
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Ambient $T_K = 100$ K
 $n(\text{H}_2) = 290 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

Over density of 10 and 1 pc radius.

Radiation source:
 $10^{49} \text{ photon s}^{-1}$ and
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No self gravity!

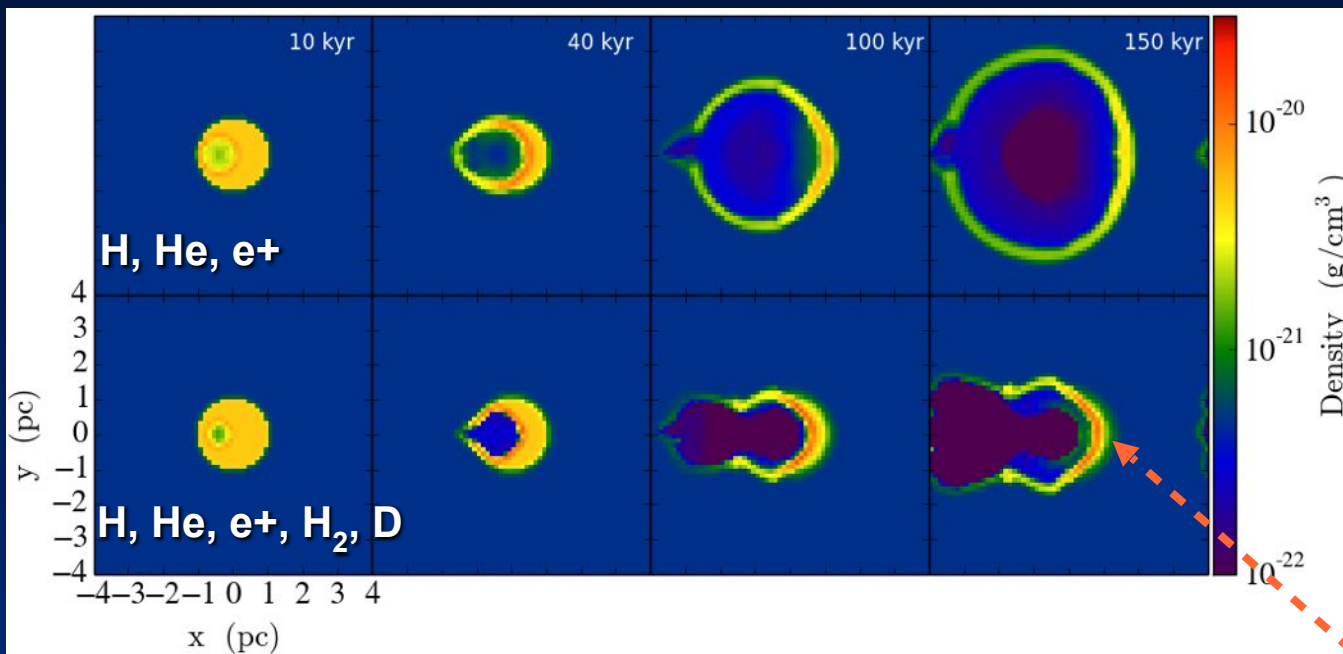
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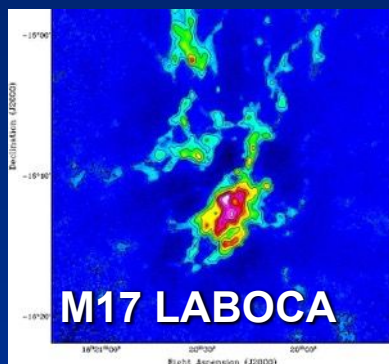
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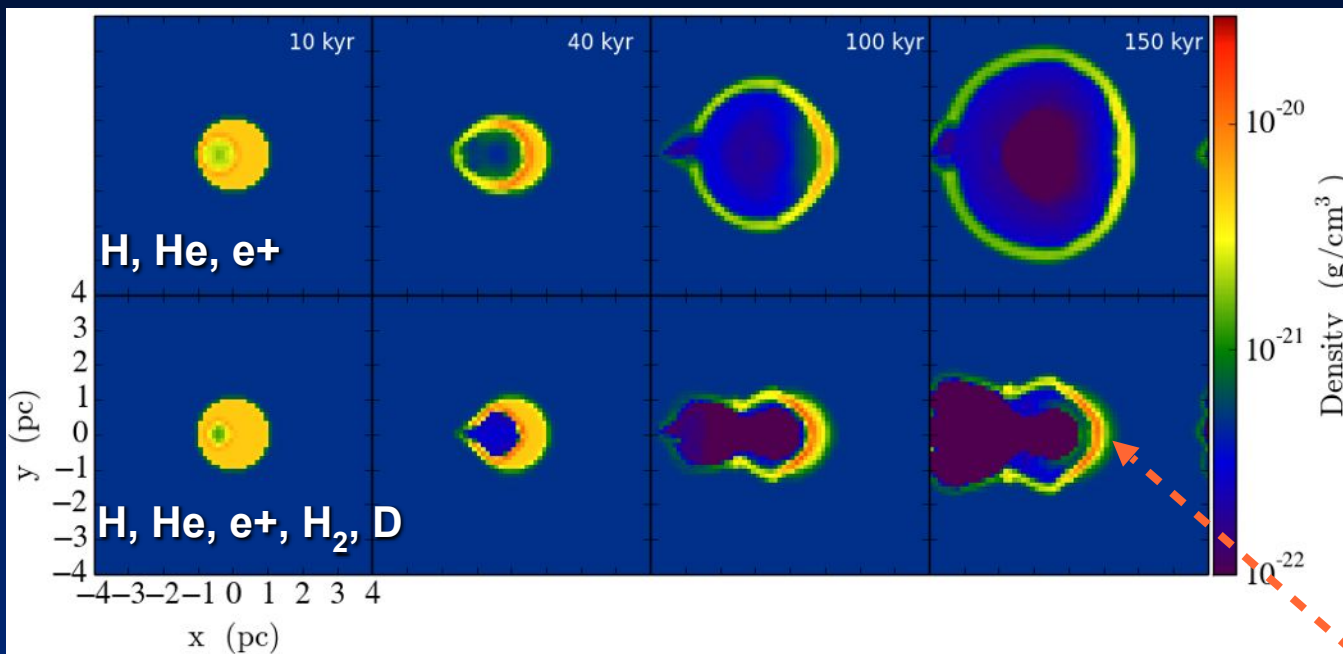


- Radiation pressure!
- H₂ self-shielding

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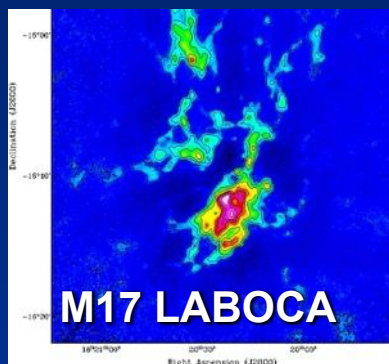
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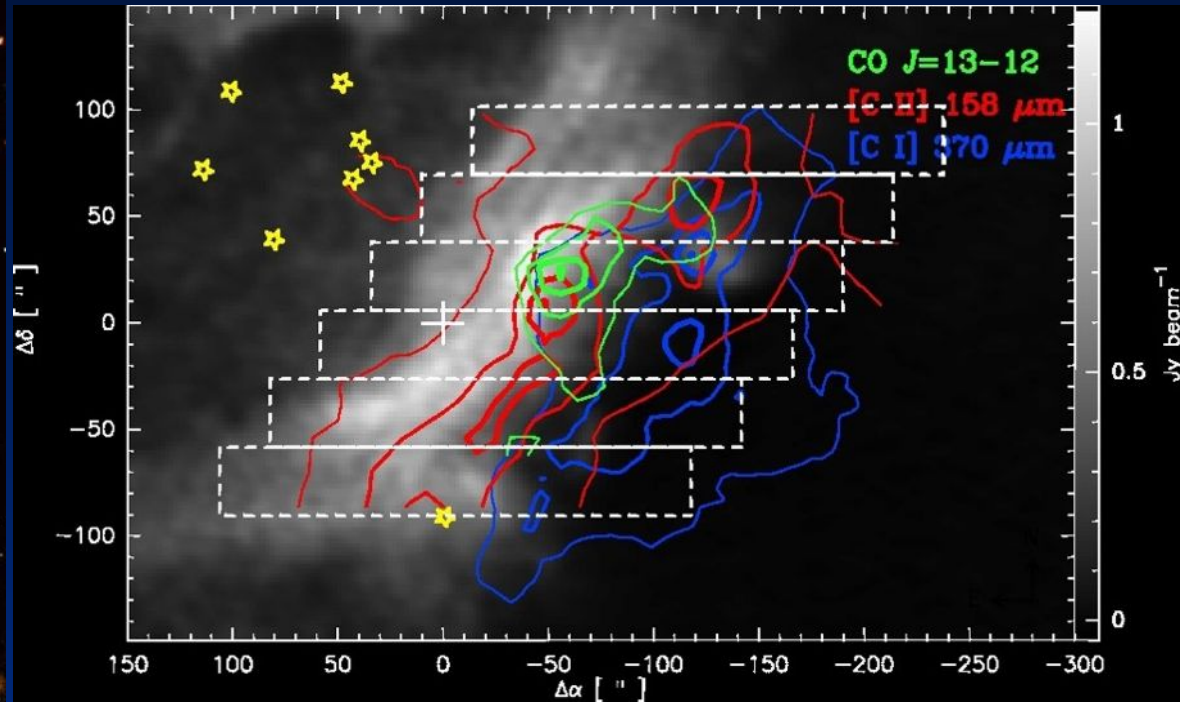
O, C, N, ions, etc...

CO self-shielding (Visser, van Dishoeck, & Black 2009)

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Previous Results

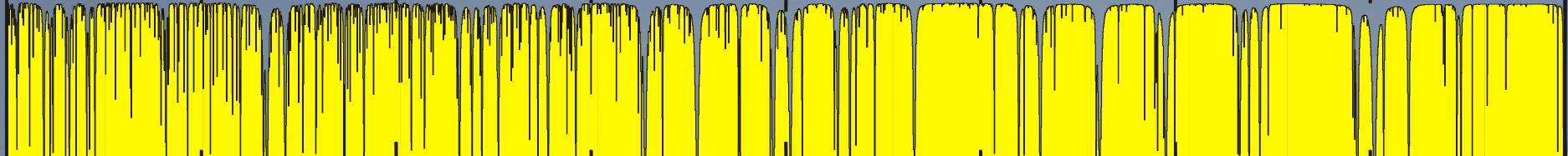
ESO NTT+SOFI



Ionizing energies:

H: 13.598 eV
O: 13.61, 35.12 eV
C: 11.26, 24.38 eV
N: 14.53, 29.60 eV

(gray VLA HI 21cm image by Brogan & Troland 2001)
(contours by Pérez-Beaupuits et al. 2010, 2012)
(yellow O/B ionizing stars from Hanson et al. 1997)



ATM 1-5 THz, 14 km altitude

German Receiver for Astronomy at THz Frequencies

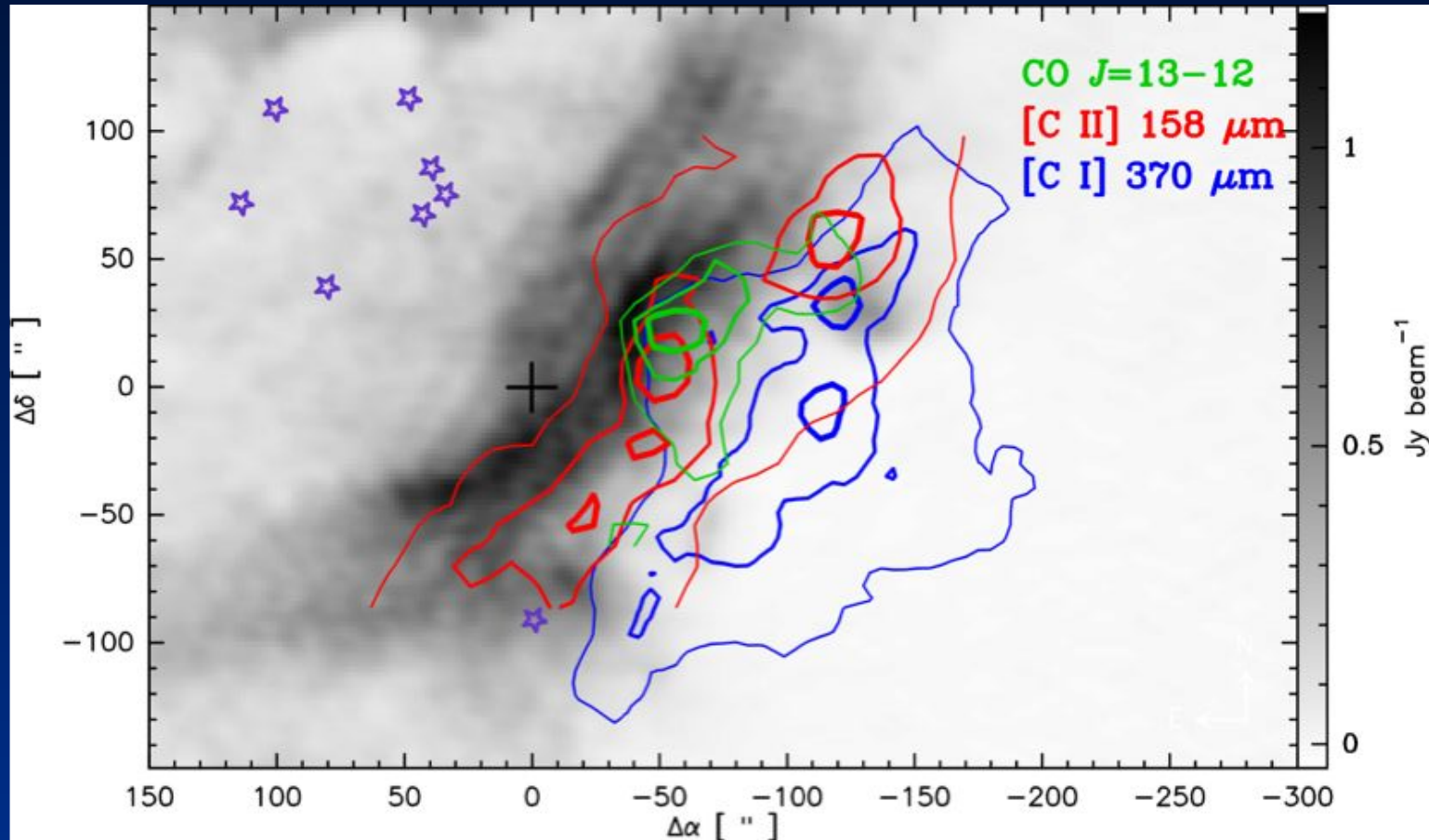
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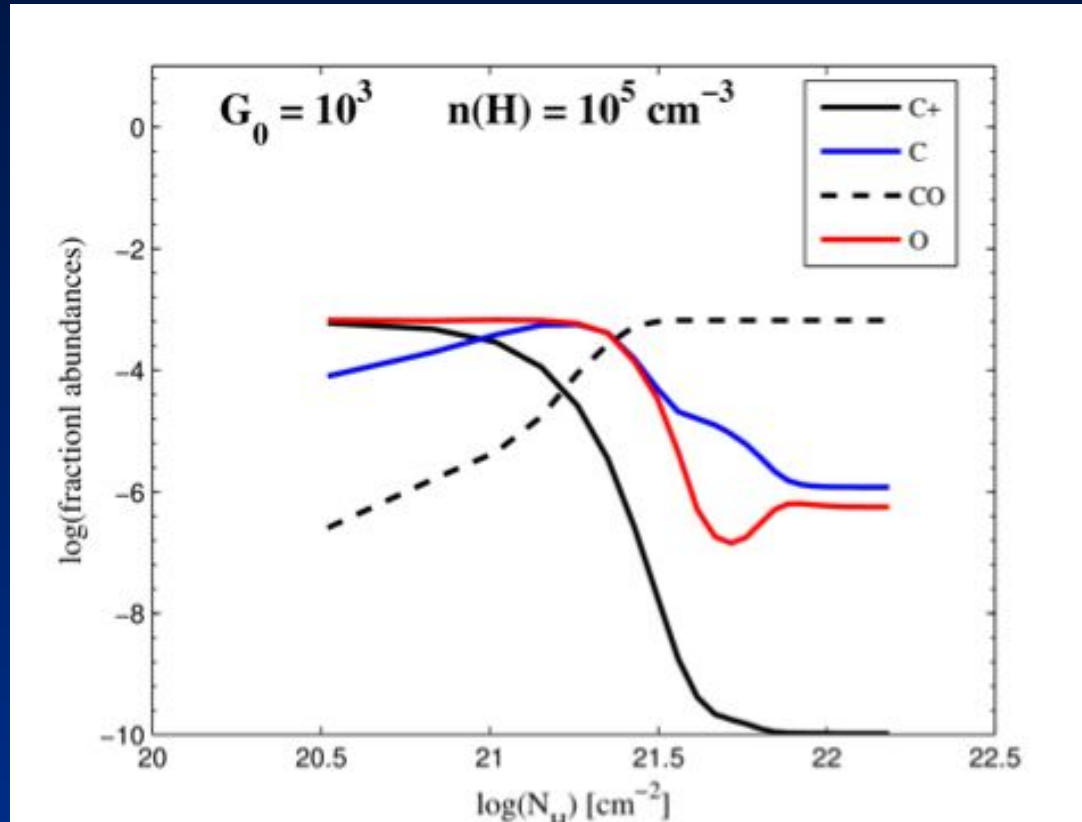
**Modular dual-channel heterodyne receiver
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SOFIA/GREAT Results

PDR stratification?



SOFIA/GREAT [O I] 63 μm PDR scheme revisited



PDR model

(from Meijerink & Spaans 2005)