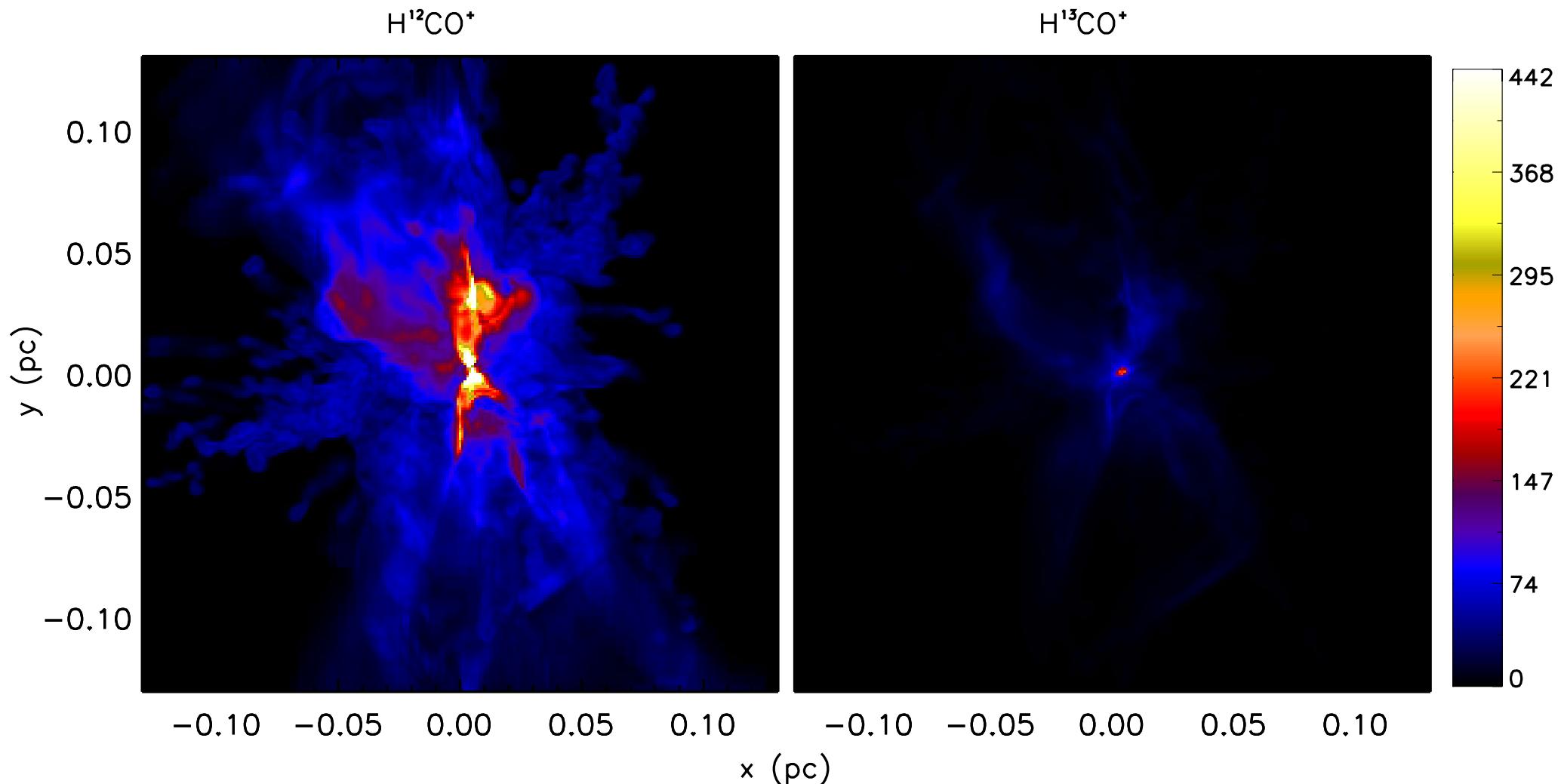


# Gas Line Transfer with RADMC-3D

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Integrated  $\text{HCO}^+$  isotopologue intensity (Offner & Arce in prep.).

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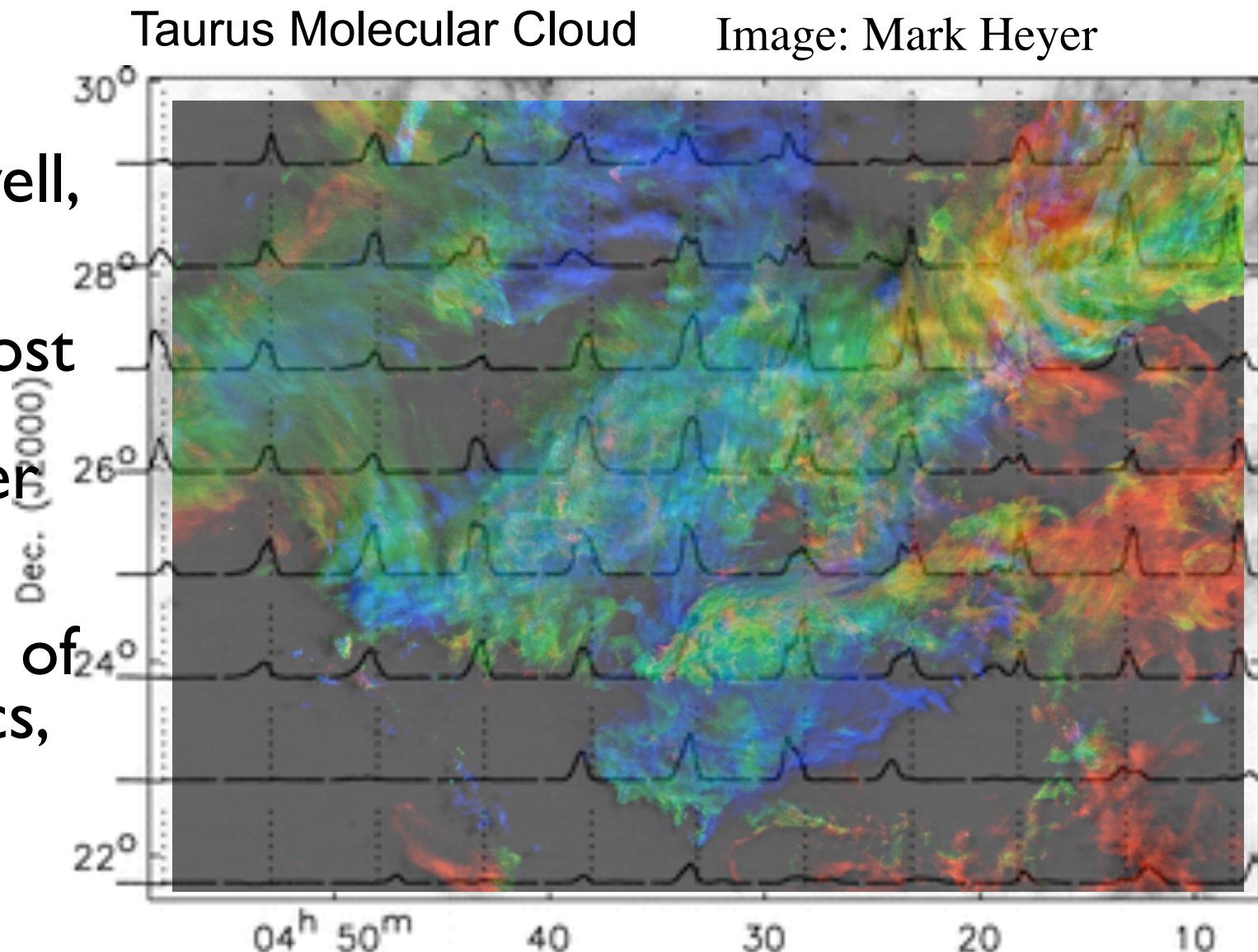
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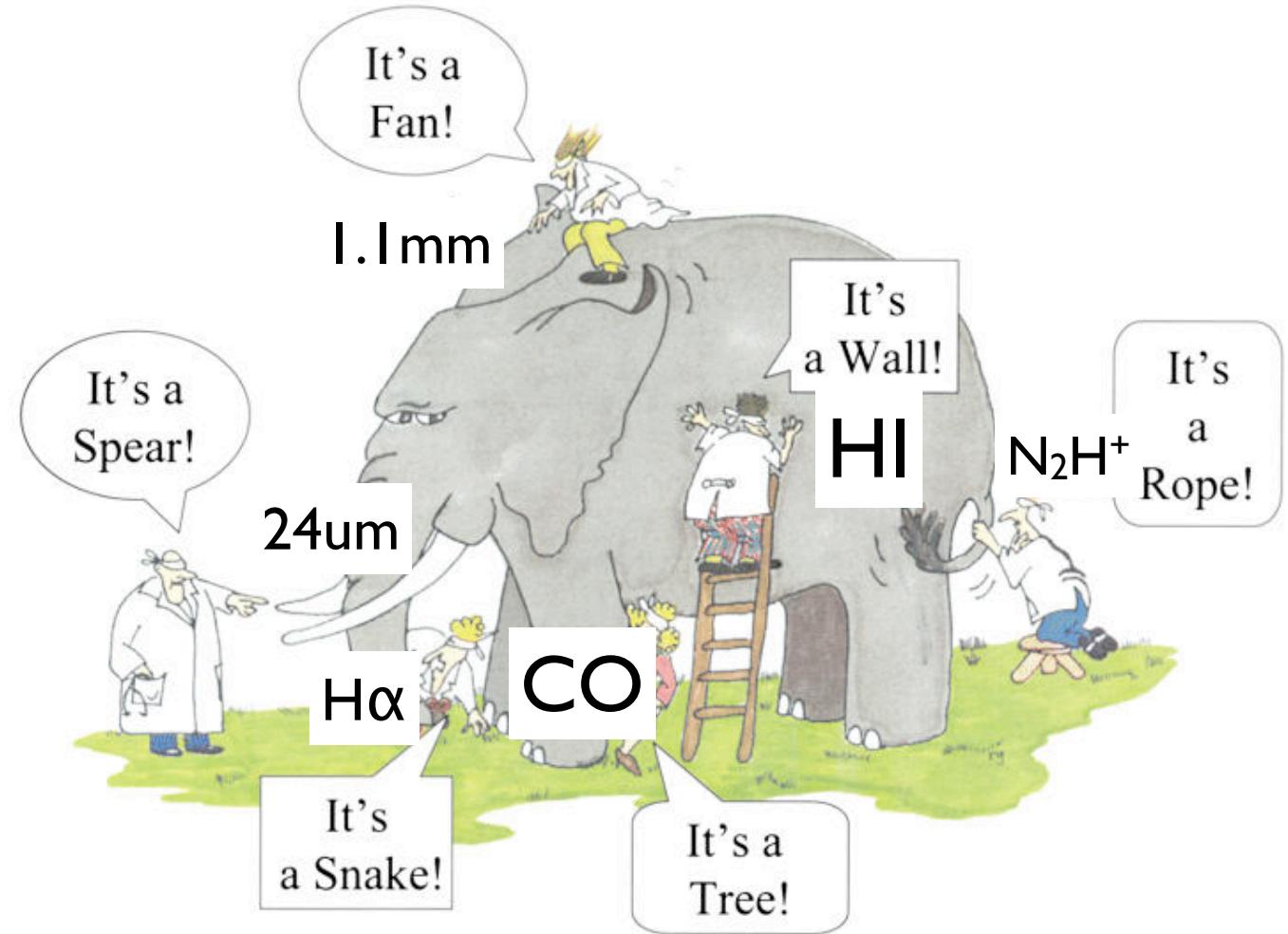
$^{12}\text{CO}$  axis range is 0-15 km/s  
Narayanan et al. 2008  
Image: Mark Heyer

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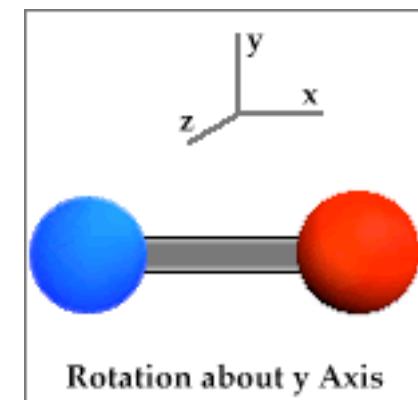
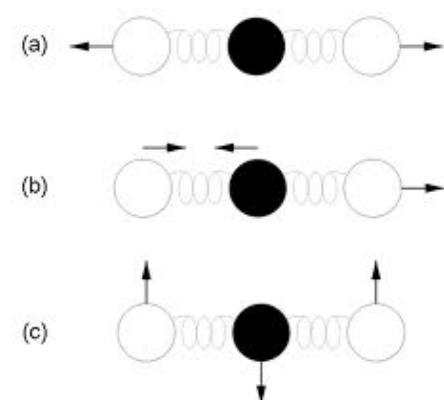


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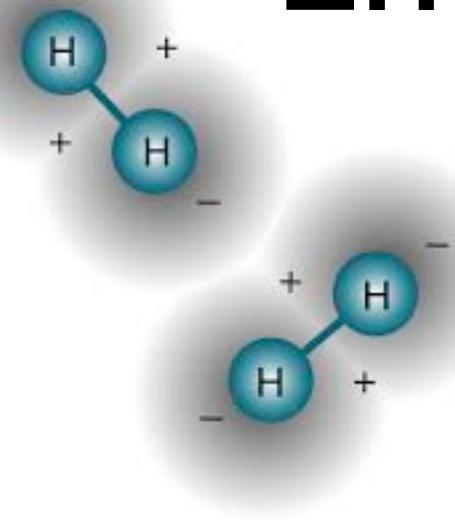
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# Molecule Basics

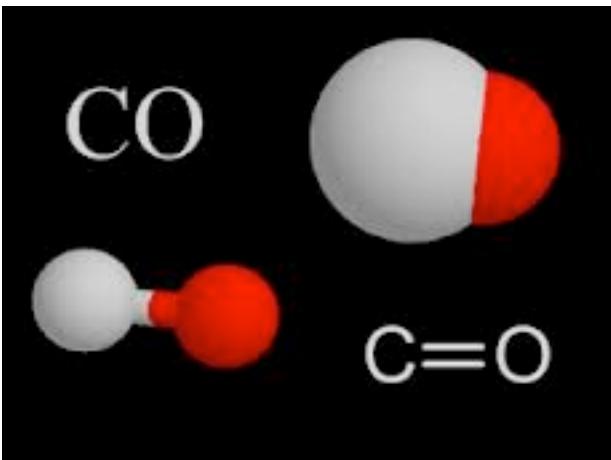
- Electronic bands (optical and UV): H<sub>2</sub> Lyman and Werner bands near 1100Å
- Vibrational transitions (NIR-MIR) CO  $\nu=1-0$  at 4.6 um
- Rotational transitions (MIR-FIR): CO  $J=1-0$  at 2.6mm



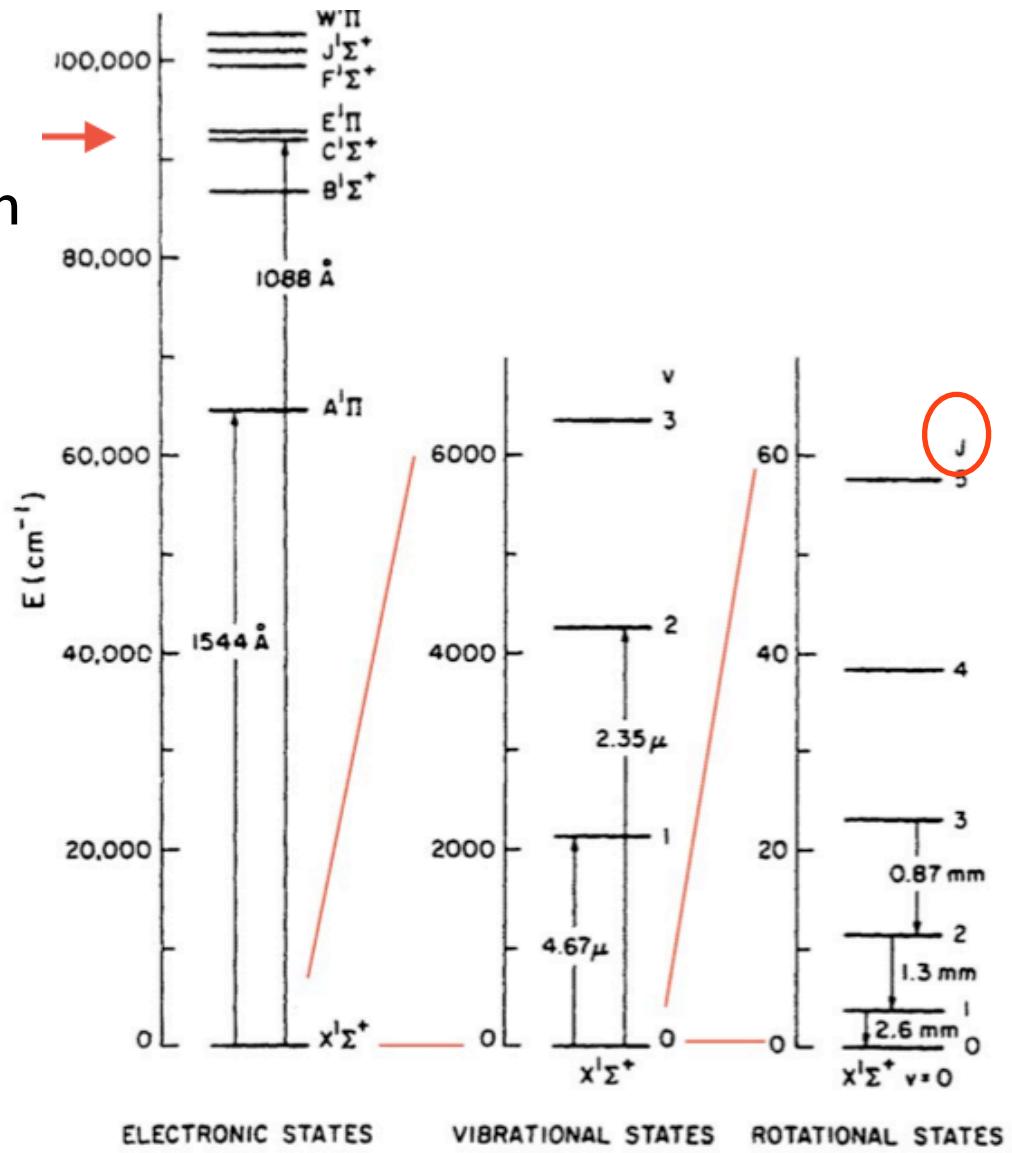
# Energy Levels of CO



- $\text{H}_2$  has no dipole moment so  $\text{CO}$  is more useful



FUV  
dissociation  
starts



# Critical Density

- Density at which collisions balance spontaneous emission:
- Above the critical density, transition is strongly excited and approaches LTE
- Molecules with different  $n_{\text{crit}}$  probe different densities
- To determine most useful tracer, consider:  $n_{\text{crit}}$ , gas temperature, optical depth

$$n_{\text{crit}} \approx A_{ij} / \langle v \sigma_{ij} \rangle$$

$v$  = velocity

$\sigma$  = cross-section

$$n_{\text{crit,CO(1-0)}} \approx 700 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$n_{\text{crit,HCN(1-0)}} \approx 10^5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

*or ask an observer*

Find the molecules: <http://home.strw.leidenuniv.nl/~moldata/>

# LAMDA

## Leiden Atomic and Molecular Database

[Atomic datafiles](#) | [Molecular datafiles](#) | [Data format](#) | [RADEX](#)

### Atomic datafiles

c c<sup>+</sup> o

### Molecular datafiles

CO CS HCl

OCS SO SO<sub>2</sub>

SiO SiS SiC<sub>2</sub>

HCO<sup>+</sup> N<sub>2</sub>H<sup>+</sup> HCS<sup>+</sup>

HC<sub>3</sub>N HCN HNC

C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub> H<sub>2</sub>O H<sub>2</sub>CO

OH CH<sub>3</sub>OH NH<sub>3</sub>

HDO H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup> HNCO

NO CN CH<sub>3</sub>CN

O<sub>2</sub> HF

The aim of this project is to provide users of radiative transfer codes with the basic atomic and molecular data needed for the excitation calculation. Line data of a number of astrophysically interesting species are summarized, including energy levels, statistical weights, Einstein A-coefficients and collisional rate coefficients. Available collisional data from quantum chemical calculations and experiments are in some cases extrapolated to higher energies.

Currently the database contains data for 3 atomic and 29 molecular species. In addition, several isotopomers and deuterated versions are available. Work is currently underway to add more datafiles. We encourage comments from the users in order to improve and extend the database.

This database should form an important tool in analyzing observations from current and future infrared and (sub)millimetre telescopes. Databases such as these rely

# Radiative Transfer Equation I

$$\frac{dI_\nu(\omega)}{ds} = j_\nu(\omega) - \alpha_\nu(\omega)I_\nu(\omega)$$

emissivity    opacity/absorption  
w= direction

Equation for non-overlapping lines\*:  $\frac{dI_{ij}(\omega, \nu)}{ds} = j_{ij}(\omega, \nu) - \alpha_{ij}(\omega, \nu)I_{ij}(\omega, \nu)$

$N$ =number density  
 $n_i$ =fraction on level i

## For line emission:

where i=upper level, j=lower level

$$j_{ij}(\omega, \nu) = \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} N n_i A_{ij} \varphi_{ij}(\omega, \nu)$$

$$\alpha_{ij}(\omega, \nu) = \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} N(n_j B_{ji} - n_i B_{ij}) \varphi_{ij}(\omega, \nu)$$

## “Einstein A and B Coefficients”:

$$A_{ij} = \frac{2h\nu_{ij}^3}{c^2} B_{ij} \quad \text{the levels}$$

$g$ =statistical weights of  
the levels

# Radiative Transfer Equation II

Line Profile Function:  
(For 0 velocity, independent of direction)

$$\tilde{\varphi}_{ij}(\nu) = \frac{c}{a_{\text{tot}} \nu_{ij} \sqrt{\pi}} \exp \left( -\frac{c^2 (\nu - \nu_{ij})^2}{a_{\text{tot}}^2 \nu_{ij}^2} \right)$$

Linewidth Thermal:

$$a_{\text{tot}} = a_{\text{therm}} = \sqrt{\frac{2kT_{\text{gas}}}{m_{\text{mol}}}} \quad \text{=sound speed}$$

Thermal+Non-thermal:

$$a_{\text{tot}} = \sqrt{a_{\text{turb}}^2 + a_{\text{therm}}^2} = \sqrt{a_{\text{turb}}^2 + \frac{2kT_{\text{gas}}}{m_{\text{mol}}}}$$

“microturbulence”

Line Profile Function:  
Non-zero velocities

$$\varphi_{ij}(\omega, \nu) = \tilde{\varphi}_{ij} \left( \nu (1 - \vec{\omega} \cdot \vec{v}/c) - \nu_{ij} \right)$$

\*RADMC doesn't include overlapping lines in non-LTE

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## RADMC-3D: A new multi-purpose radiative transfer tool

C.P. Dullemond

### Introduction

I have built a new Monte Carlo radiative transfer code called RADMC-3D. It is the 3-D version of the RADMC code. Or better: it is a complete bottom-up rewrite of RADMC. It is written in Fortran 90 (as opposed to F77 for RADMC), it can treat 1-D, 2-D and 3-D geometries in cartesian or spherical coordinates, it has various options for gridding including grid refinement (AMR). And it has a Graphical User Interface for rendering images from a model, written in the IDL language. It has a number of example model setups, including one for a protoplanetary disk model (also with a GUI).

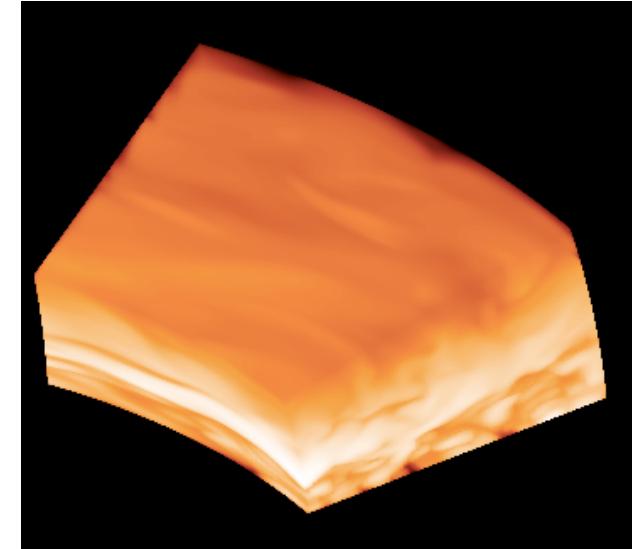
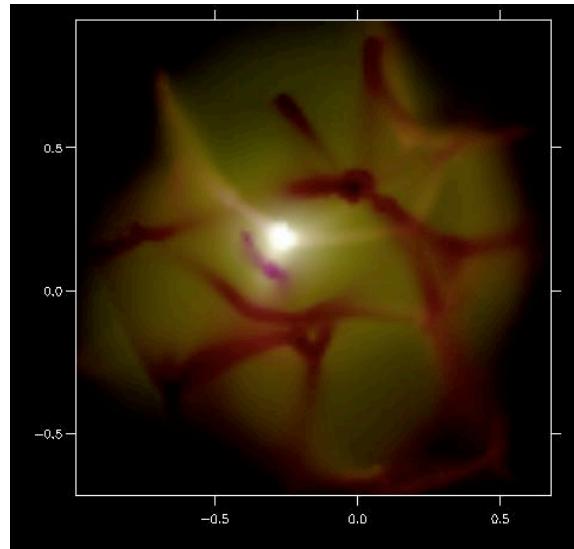
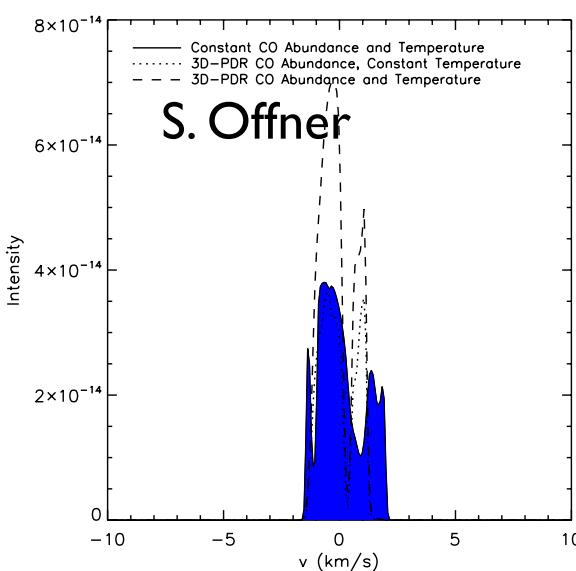
### Capabilities and planned capabilities

- Dust continuum radiative transfer:
  - Computation of dust temperature and scattering [DONE]
  - Any number of dust species, each having its own spatial distribution [DONE]
  - Anisotropic scattering (several methods to deal with large data volume) [DONE]
  - Polarized scattering, Stokes vectors [DONE/BETA]
  - Modified Random Walk (MRW) method for very high optical depths [DONE/BETA]
- Gas line transfer: [DONE]
  - LTE or local optically thin non-LTE populations [DONE]
  - LVG (Sobolev approximation) mode for level populations [DONE]
  - "Doppler catching method" for dealing with models with large velocity gradients [DONE]
  - Full non-LTE AI I radiative transfer [planned for 2013/2014]
- Cartesian coordinates (3D) [DONE]
- Spherical coordinates (1D spherical symmetry, 2D axial symmetry or fully 3D) [DONE]
- Adaptive Mesh Refinement (oct tree or patch-based, works in both cartesian and spherical coordinates) [DONE]
- Both ascii and binary I/O (choice by user) [DONE]

Also: A. Juhasz, R. Shetty,  
T. Peters, B. Commercon

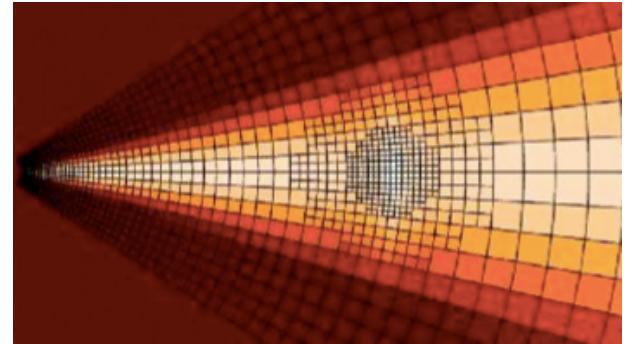
# Things RADMC Can Do

- Compute dust temperature (Monte Carlo, tomorrow)
- Compute spectrum or SED (dust or lines)
- Compute an image (raytracing)
- Compute the local radiation field inside the model (monochromatic MC)
- Volume rendering & movie mode

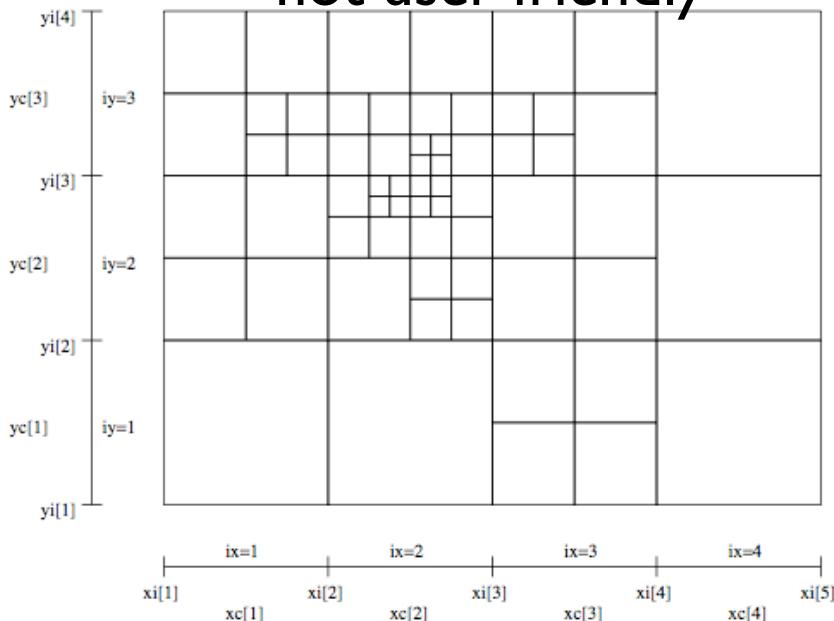


# RADMC Grid

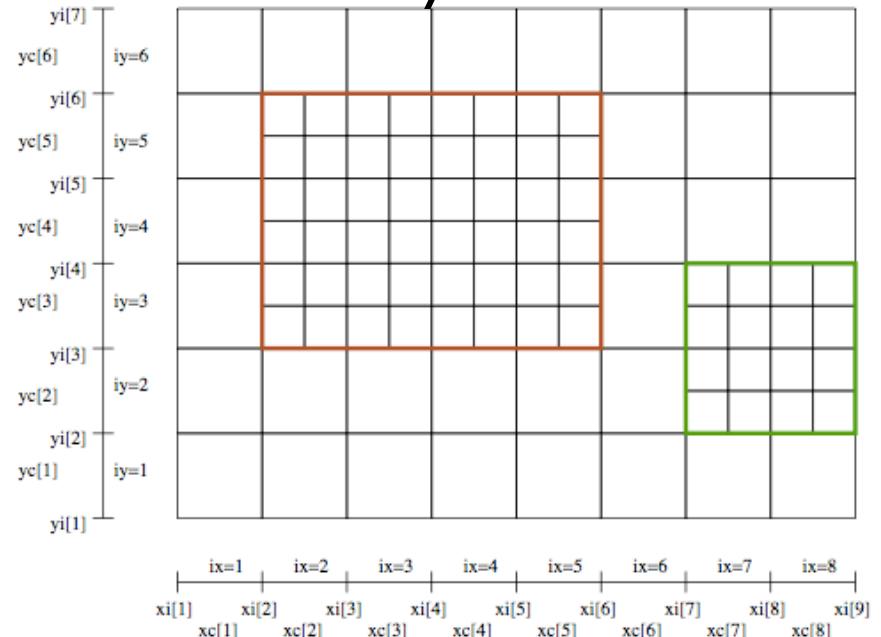
- Cartesian or Spherical (1D, 2D, 3D)
- Spherical can be logarithmic
- Regular grid (grid style 0) or adaptive mesh (oct-tree, grid style 1; “layer style”, grid style 10)



oct-tree (FLASH, RAMSES)  
“not user friendly”



layer grid (redundant)  
“easier to handle by the human brain”



# lines\_mode

- Local Thermodynamic Equilibrium (l, default)
  - populations computed as a function of gas temperature (collisions dominate)
$$\frac{j_\nu}{\alpha_\nu} = B_\nu(T) \quad n_i/n_j = g_i/g_j e^{-h\nu/kT}$$
- User-defined populations (2)
- Non-LTE: Large Velocity Gradient (Sobolev) (3)
  - requires gas velocities and temperatures
  - calculates angle-averaged velocity gradients

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# Non-LTE

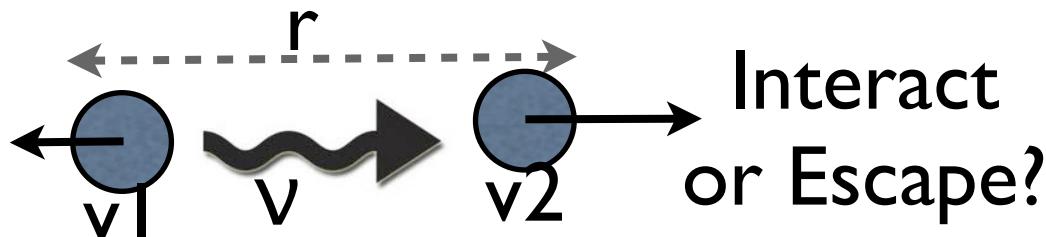
$C_{ij}$ =collisional rate,  
depends on collision partner

- In statistical equilibrium, solve equation of detailed balance:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j>i} [f_j A_{ji} + (f_j B_{ji} - f_i B_{ij}) \bar{J}_{ji}] \\ & - \sum_{j<i} [f_i A_{ij} + (f_i B_{ij} - f_j B_{ji}) \bar{J}_{ij}] \\ & + \sum_j [f_j C_{ji} - f_i C_{ij}] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

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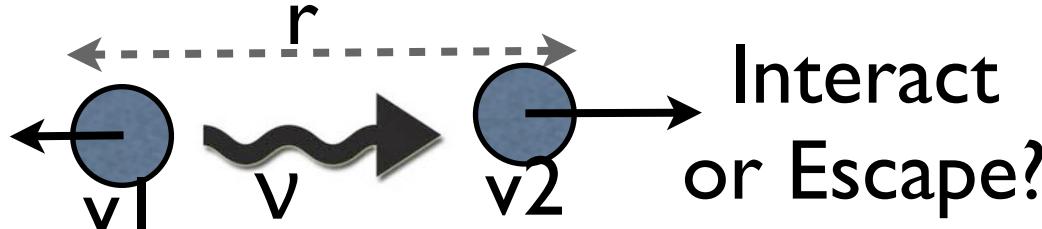
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- Escape probability of a photon:  
If  $(v_1 - v_2)/dr$  is large, photon is unlikely to be absorbed

$$\beta = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^\tau e^{-\tau'} d\tau' = \frac{1 - e^{-\tau}}{\tau}$$

$$\tau = \frac{c^3}{8\pi\nu_{ij}^3} \frac{A_{ij}n}{1.065 \langle |dv/dr| \rangle} \left( f_j \frac{g_i}{g_j} - f_i \right)$$

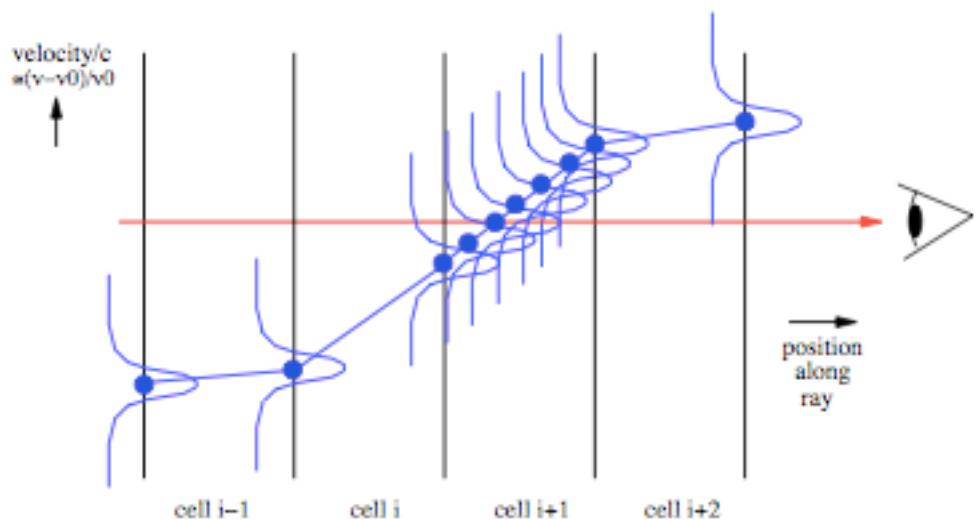
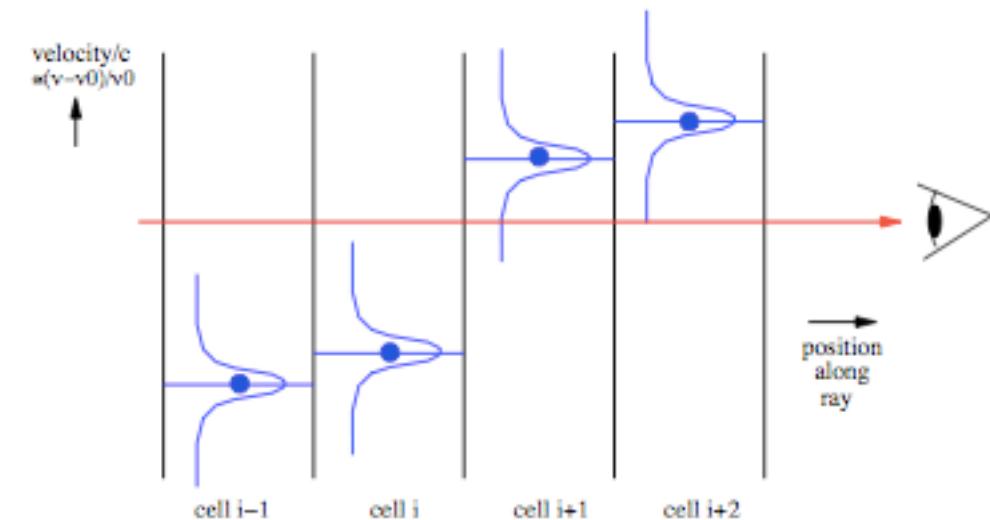
Effective optical depth



# Doppler Catching

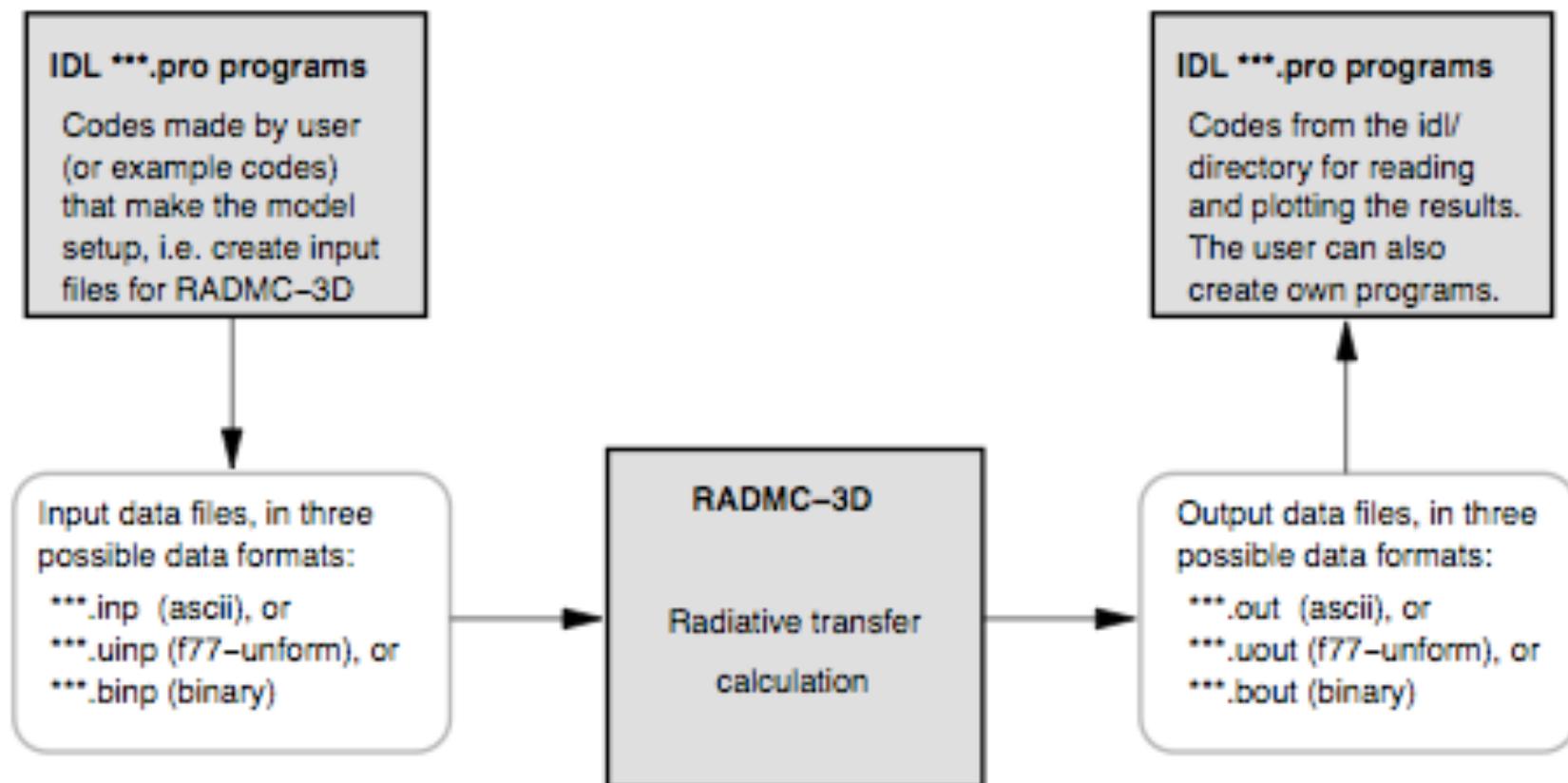
- Account for discontinuous velocities (e.g. grid setup)
- Detects jumps and integrates in sub-steps
- $doppcatch = 0.2$  = doppler shift over each step is not more than  $0.2 \times \text{local linewidth}$
- Second order; much slower

Should I use doppler catching?



# RADMC Schematic

Input files can be created using any coding language



# RADMC Inputs

- For every grid point: molecule (e.g. CO) densities, temperature, position, velocities
  - collisional partner number density (e.g. H<sub>2</sub>)
  - level populations (if not internally computed)
  - microturbulence
  - molecular line info (e.g. molecule\_co.inp)
  - wavelength range (for output spectra)
  - dust opacity, dust temperature
  - radiative transfer parameters (lines\_mode, maxJbariter, lvgconvergeto; nphot, dust\_to\_gas)
- By default: dust thermal emission, extinction and scattering is included

# Other details

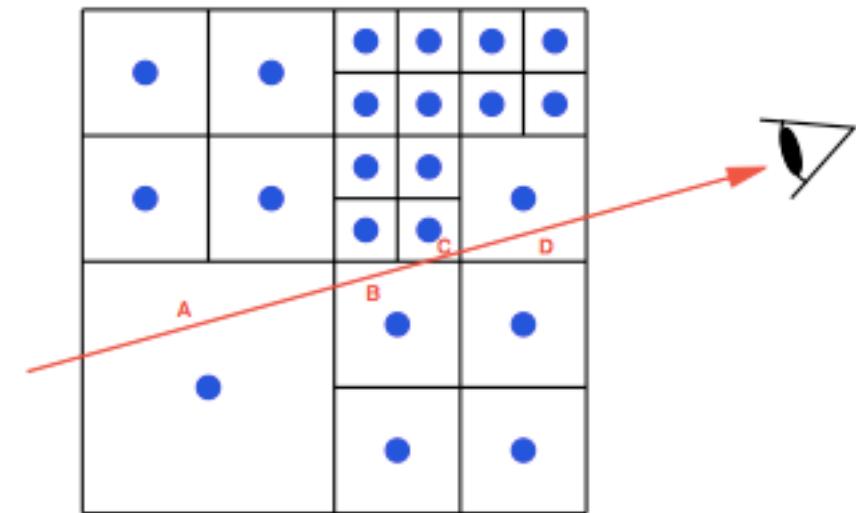
- Not currently parallelized
- $256^3$  most reasonable basegrid
- A number of other features are under development (full non-LTE)
- Directly interface with *FLASH*, *RAMSES*, *ZEUS*, *PLUTO*
- Alternative code: Line Modeling Engine (*LIME*), Christian Brinch, <http://www.nbi.dk/~brinch/lime.php>

# Raytracing

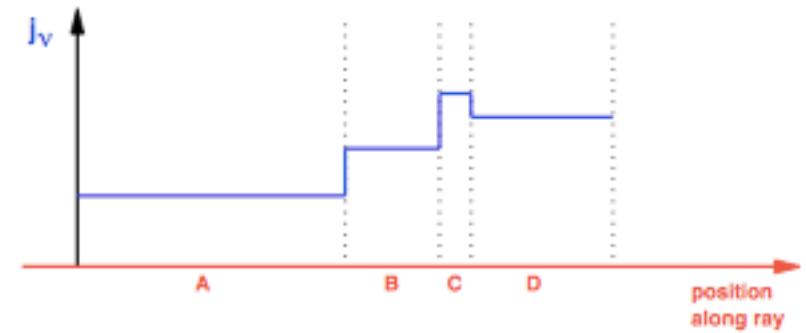
- Default: images and spectra are first order (source term and opacity are constant over cell)

$$I_{\text{result}} = I_{\text{start}} e^{-\tau} + (1 - e^{-\tau}) S \quad \tau = \alpha \Delta s$$

1st order



- Can also do second order (e.g. Doppler catching)



```
@natconst  
; Grid parameters  
nx      = 64L  
ny      = 64L  
nz      = 64L  
sizex   = 100*AU  
sizey   = 100*AU  
sizez   = 100*AU
```

; Make grid with size interpreted as half-width size here

```
xi     = -sizex + 2*sizex*dindgen(nx+1)/(1.d0*nx)  
yi     = -sizey + 2*sizey*dindgen(ny+1)/(1.d0*ny)  
zi     = -sizez + 2*sizez*dindgen(nz+1)/(1.d0*nz)  
xc     = 0.5 * ( xi[0:nx-1] + xi[1:nx] )  
yc     = 0.5 * ( yi[0:ny-1] + yi[1:ny] )  
zc     = 0.5 * ( zi[0:nz-1] + zi[1:nz] )  
xx     = rebin(xc,nx,ny,nz)  
yy     = transpose(rebin(yc,ny,nx,nz),[1,0,2])  
zz     = transpose(rebin(zc,nz,ny,nx),[2,1,0])  
rrcyl  = sqrt(xx^2+yy^2)
```

; Write the grid file

```
openw,l,'amr_grid.inp'  
printf,l,1           ; iformat  
printf,l,0           ; AMR grid style (0=regular grid, no AMR)  
printf,l,0           ; Coordinate system  
printf,l,0           ; gridinfo  
printf,l,1,1,1       ; Include x,y,z coordinate  
printf,l,nx,ny,nz    ; Size of grid  
for i=0,nx do printf,l,xi[i] ; X coordinates (cell walls)  
for i=0,ny do printf,l,yi[i] ; Y coordinates (cell walls)  
for i=0,nz do printf,l,zi[i] ; Z coordinates (cell walls)  
close,l
```

## Sample IDL Setup Code

# The People Who Stare at Code



examples: run\_lines\_lte\_3d\_l  
problem\_setup.pro

```

;
;Write the wavelength_micron.inp file
;For continuum transfer
;(if no dust, don't need to worry about this)
;
lambda1 = 0.1d0
lambda2 = 7.0d0
lambda3 = 25.d0
lambda4 = 1.0d4
n12    = 20
n23    = 100
n34    = 30
lam12  = lambda1 * (lambda2/lambda1)^(dindgen(n12)/(1.d0*n12))
lam23  = lambda2 * (lambda3/lambda2)^(dindgen(n23)/(1.d0*n23))
lam34  = lambda3 * (lambda4/lambda3)^(dindgen(n34)/(1.d0*(n34-1.d0)))
lambda  = [lam12, lam23, lam34]
nlam   = n_elements(lambda)
;
openw,I,'wavelength_micron.inp'
printf,I,nlam
for ilam=0,nlam-1 do printf,I,lambda[ilam]
close,I
;

```

For line transfer, can set up a separate finer grid: camera\_wavelength\_micron.inp

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examples: run\_lines\_lte\_3d\_I  
problem\_setup.pro

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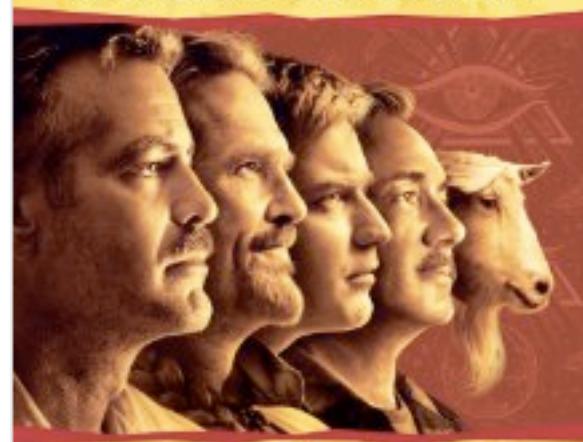


```
:  
;Write the gas temperature file  
;  
;Also: numberdens_co.inp, gas_velocity.inp,  
;microturbulence.inp  
;dust_temperature.inp, dust_density.inp  
openw,l,'gas_temperature.inp'  
printf,l,l ; Format number  
printf,l,nx*ny*nz ; Nr of cells  
for iz=0,nz-1 do begin  
    for iy=0,ny-1 do begin  
        for ix=0,nx-1 do begin  
            printf,l,gastemp[ix,iy,iz]  
        endfor  
    endfor  
endfor  
close,l
```

examples: run\_lines\_lte\_3d\_l  
problem\_setup.pro

```
;  
;Write the lines.inp control file  
;  
openw,l,'lines.inp'  
printf,l,'I'           format  
printf,l,'I'           # of species  
printf,l,'co  leiden  0  0  0' ->Looks for molecule_co.inp  
close,l               in leiden format, no collisional partner  
;
```

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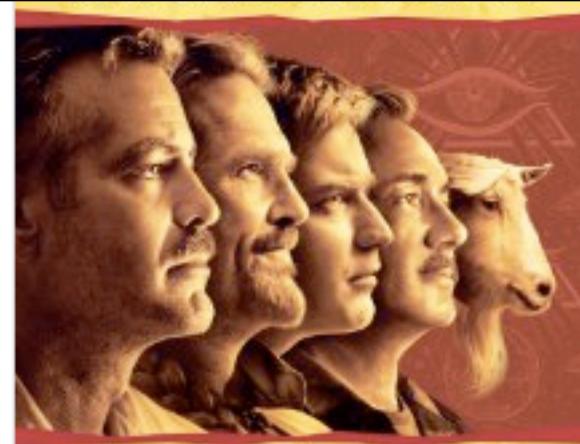
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```
;  
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openw,I,'lines.inp'  
printf,I,'I'           format  
printf,I,'I'  
printf,I,'co leiden 0 0 I' ->Looks for molecule_co.inp  
printf, I, 'h2'          # of species  
close,I  
;  
      Need to make a density file for each collision partner:  
      numberdens_h2.inp
```



examples: run\_lines\_lte\_3d\_l  
problem\_setup.pro

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```
;  
;Write the lines.inp control file  
;  
openw,I,'lines.inp'  
printf,I,'2'          format  
printf,I,'I'          # of species  
printf,I,'co    leiden  0  0  I'  ->Looks for molecule_co.inp  
printf, I,'h2'          in leiden format, no collisional partner  
close,I  
;  
      Need to make a density file for each collision partner:  
      numberdens_h2.inp
```

;Write the radmc3d.inp control file

```
;  
openw,I,'radmc3d.inp'  
printf,I,'nphot = 1000000'  
printf,I,'scattering_mode_max = 0'
```

lines\_mode default = 1 (lte)

See Page 116-118 in manual for other options

RADMC will assume dust is included if dustopac.inp is present unless you tell it not to include it:

incl\_dust = 0

# Command Line Call

- Many options are specified in the command line call  
(See pages 141-145 in the manual)

Create an image at CO (1-0) transition) -> image.out:

radmc3d image lambda 2600.757 incl 60 phi 30

or

radmc3d image iline 1 incl 60 phi 30

Source and examples can be found at:

/home/soffner/radmc-3d/version\_0.35/

See also ..../manual

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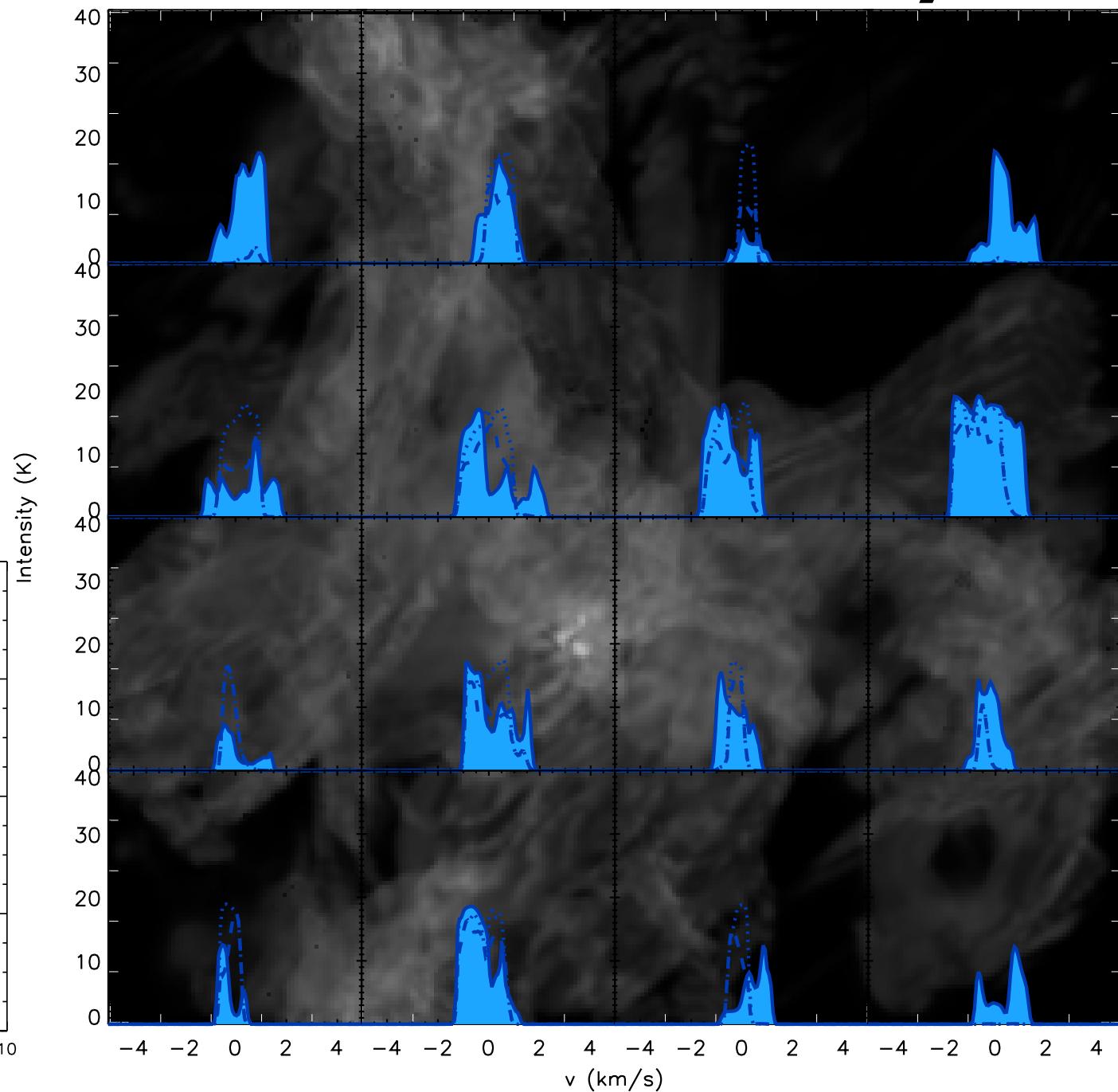
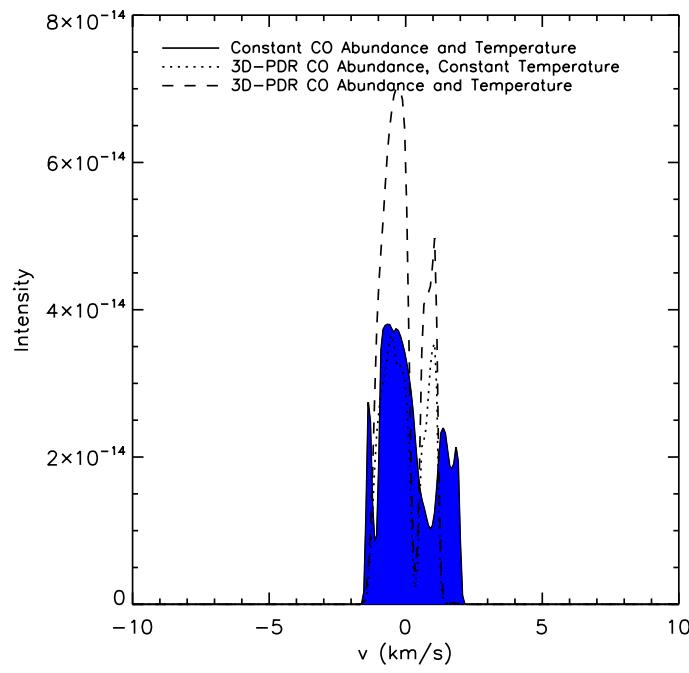
# Suggested Project

- Pick a molecule from the Leiden database
- Make a setup file for RADMC based on Athena data (I suggest  $\leq 128^3$ )
- Produce a synthetic molecular emission spectra or cube for one transition for that molecule
- Examples at: `/home/soffner/radmc-3d/  
version_0.35/examples`

# A word about chemistry

Assuming a  
constant  
abundance may  
be too simplistic:

Offner, Bisbas, Viti & Bell in prep.



# Useful References

- Journal articles: Dullemond 2011 (RADMC), Dullemond 2012 (RADMC-3D), Shetty et al. 2011 (LVG); Van der Tak et al. 2007 (RADEX), Schoier et al. 2005 (LAMDA)
- Books: *Physics of the Interstellar and Intergalactic Medium*, Bruce Draine
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