

Lecture 2

dark cloud composition  
proto star behaviour evolution

Why clouds are completely opaque?

and not just an absorption lines?

The Mie theory

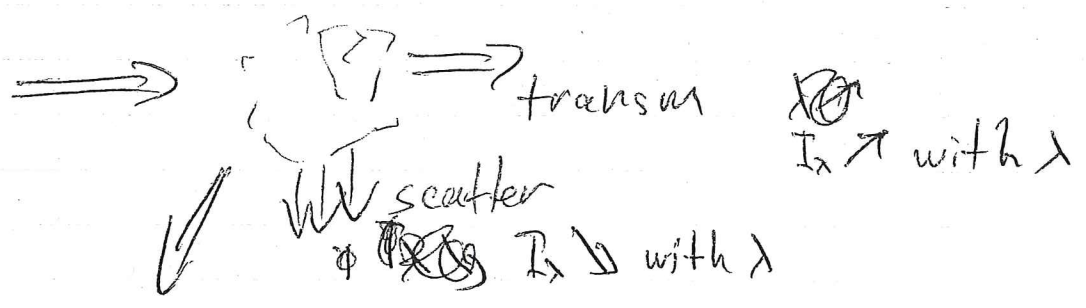
=> dust

Optical depth  $\tau_\lambda = \sigma_\lambda N_d$   
dust part size  $\left\{ \int \sigma_\lambda n ds \right\}$  column density  $\int n ds$

$\sigma_\lambda \approx \frac{a^3}{\lambda}, \lambda \gg a$  |  $\sigma_\lambda \approx a^2 (\lambda \ll a)$

so bluish light absorbed stronger and transmitted appears red.

Scattered though is bluish



Sky is blue, sunset / sunrise is red

# Cloud Composition - Interstellar Medium (ISM)

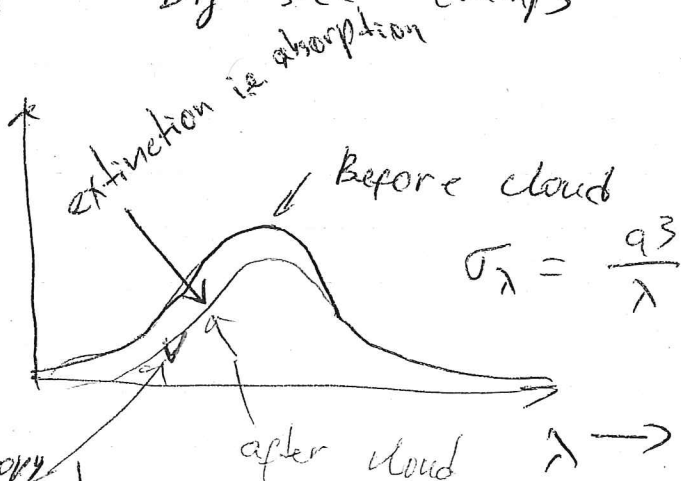
H - hard to detect but there is forbidden transition ~~of~~ due to splitting of ground level (spin interaction)

$$\text{at } \lambda = 21 \text{ cm} \leftrightarrow f \approx 1.4 \text{ GHz}$$

H<sub>2</sub> - molecular hydrogen  
only at high temperature  $> 2000 \text{ K}$   
when vibration bands are excited

PAM - polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons  
↳ complex molecules  
↳ resonance lines

Dust - big size clumps

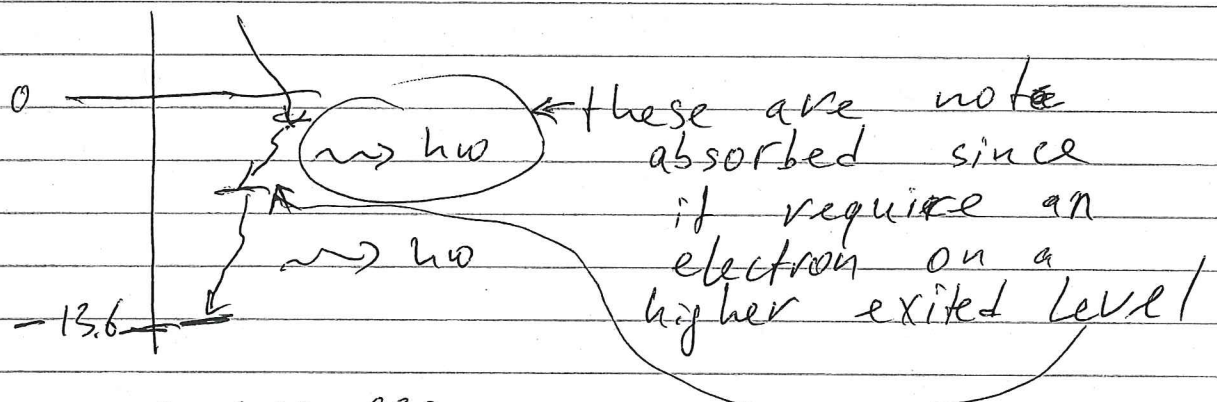
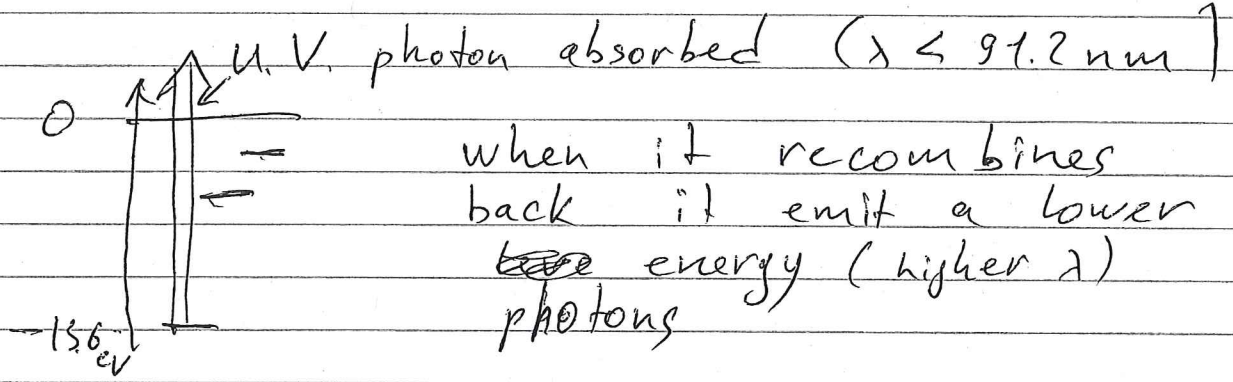


spectroscopy resonances hints on composition } so spectrum is more red which need to be taken in account or thus give information on cloud composition

light after cloud is polarized  $\Rightarrow$  need B field to orient molecules or dust

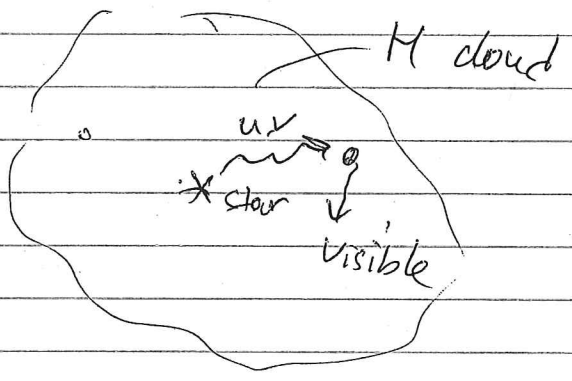
# Emission nebula

Emission of recombination of H ions ( $H II$ ) created by U.V. radiation of nearby stars



so we see these photons in visible. (Balmer lines give redish tint)

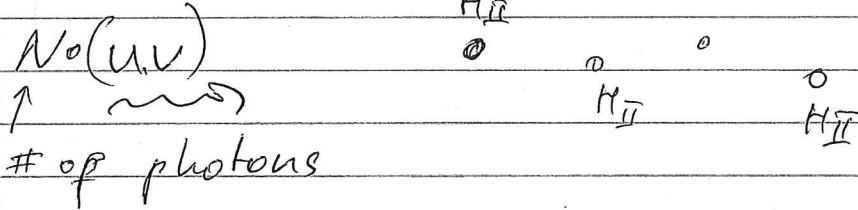
emission





# Size of emission nebula

we see emission only till propagating light has U.V. photons



but then ion ( $\text{H II}$ ) recombines and is available for U.V. absorption

so recombination # = # photons (in U.V.)

$$(\alpha \cdot n_e \cdot n_{\text{H II}}) \cdot V = \frac{\text{\# photons}}{\text{sec}} = \frac{L_0}{h\nu_{\text{ionization}}} = N$$

[ $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ ] recombination coef,  $\alpha \approx 3 \cdot 10^{-19} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$  for  $T=8000$

Note  $(\alpha \cdot n_e \cdot n_{\text{H II}}) \cdot V$  is recombination rate [ #/s ]  
 size of nebula  $\frac{\text{rate}}{\text{unit}}$

$$\alpha \cdot \underbrace{n_e}_{n_H} \cdot \underbrace{n_{\text{H II}}}_{n_H} \cdot \frac{4\pi}{3} R_s^3 = N$$

$$R_s = \left( \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{N}{\alpha} \right)^{1/3} \cdot \frac{1}{n_H^{2/3}}$$

Strömgen radius

Size of emission nebula

typically  $R_s = 0.1 \div 100 \text{ pc}$ ,  $n_H \approx 10^8 \frac{1}{\text{m}^3}$

Why there are no super heavy star, but a bunch of smaller one

Angular momentum issue

(pb)

So far we assumed that matter fell straight to center of the cloud.

But if it rotates just a bit then we have to worry about speed up of rotation



initial angular momentum of outside region

~~$m v_0 r_0$~~

$m v_f r_f$

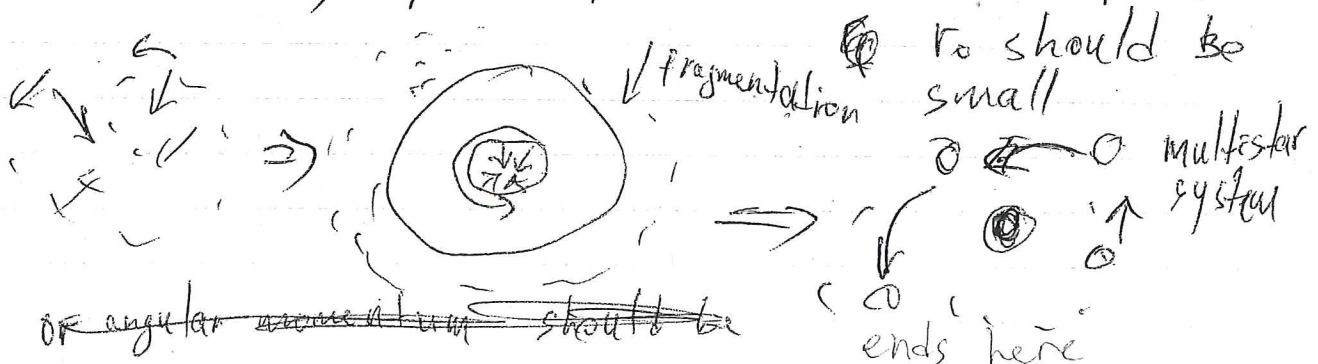
if  $r_0 = 3 \cdot 10^{15} \text{ m}$   
 $= 0.1 \text{ pc}$   
 $v_0 = 1 \text{ km/s}$

$r_f = 7 \cdot 10^8$

$v_f = \left( \frac{r_0}{r_f} \right) v_0 = 10^4 \cdot \frac{3 \cdot 10^{15}}{7 \cdot 10^8} \approx 4 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ m/s}$

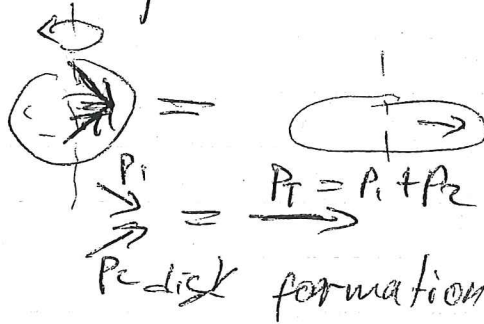
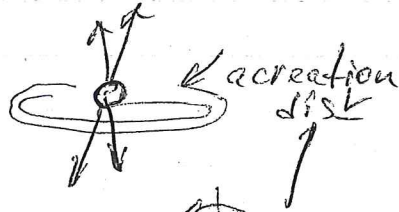
faster than speed of light!

so only part of cloud could compress



Another option = angular momentum should be "dropped" away

⇒ Jets



Another way to see it

