# Stellar winds of hot stars

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• shells in the surroundings of hot stars



#### nebula close to the star WR 124 (HST)

• the interstellar medium around hot stars



#### open cluster NGC 3603 (HST)

P Cyg line profiles in UV



X-ray emission



Hα emission line



 $\alpha$  Cam, 2m telescope in Ondřejov (Kubát 2003)

infrared excess



#### Hot star wind theory

- why is the wind blowing from hot stars?
- what are the main wind parameters (mass-loss rate, velocity)?
- how to predict the wind line profiles?
- how the wind influences the stellar evolution and the circumstellar environment?

 some force accelerates the material from the stellar atmosphere to the circumstellar environment

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- spherically symmetric case
- $\boldsymbol{\chi}(\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{\nu})$  absorption coefficient
- $F(r,\nu)$  radiative flux

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- $\sigma_{Th}$  Thomson scattering cross-section
- $n_{\rm e}(r)$  electron density

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$$\Gamma \approx 10^{-5} \left(\frac{L}{1 \, \text{L}_{\odot}}\right) \left(\frac{M}{1 \, \text{M}_{\odot}}\right)^{-1}$$

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- example:  $\alpha$  Cam,  $L = 6.2 \times 10^5 L_{\odot}$ ,  $M = 43 M_{\odot}$ ,  $\Gamma \approx 0.1$

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- ⇒ radiative force due to the light scattering on free electrons is important, but it never (?) exceeds the gravity force

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- $\boldsymbol{\varphi}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\nu})$  line profile,  $\int_0^\infty \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\nu}) = 1$
- *f<sub>ij</sub>* oscillator strength
- *n<sub>i</sub>(r)*, *n<sub>j</sub>(r)* level occupation number, *g<sub>i</sub>*,
   *g<sub>j</sub>* statistical weights

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- crude solution:  $F(r,\nu)$  constant for frequencies corresponding to a given line,  $\nu \approx \nu_{ij}$

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•  $\nu_{ij}$  is the line center frequency

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- neglect of  $n_j(r) \ll n_i(r)$
- $L_{\nu}(\nu_{ij}) = 4\pi r^2 F(r,\nu_{ij})$

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• heavier elements (iron, carbon, nitrogen, oxygen, ...): large number of lines,  $\sigma_{ij}/\sigma_{Th} \approx 10^7 \Rightarrow f_{line}^{max}/f_{grav}$  up to  $10^3$ 

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- ⇒ radiative force may be larger than gravity (for many O stars  $f_{\text{lines}}^{\text{max}}/f_{\text{grav}} \approx 2000$ , Abbott 1982, Gayley 1995)
- $\Rightarrow$  stellar wind

speculations of Kepler, Newton

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    - both processes important in hot star winds

- the main problem: the line opacity (lines may be optically thick)
- $\Rightarrow$  necessary to solve the radiative transfer equation







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•  $\Delta \nu_{\rm D}$  is the Doppler width of the line





• structure does not significantly vary over  $L_S \Rightarrow$  simplification of the calculation of  $f^{rad}$  possible



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• opacity nonnegligible only over  $L_S \Rightarrow$  solution of RTE in the "gray" zone only



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- stationary (time-independent) flow

the radiative transfer equation

$$\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial r} I(r,\mu,\nu) + \frac{1-\mu^2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} I(r,\mu,\nu) =$$
$$= \eta(r,\mu,\nu) - \chi(r,\mu,\nu) I(r,\mu,\nu)$$

- frame of static observer
- stationarity, spherical symmetry
- $\mu$  is frequency,  $\mu = \cos \theta$
- $I(r,\mu,\nu)$  is specific intensity
- $\boldsymbol{\chi}(\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{\mu},\boldsymbol{\nu})$  is absorption (extinction) coefficient
- $\eta(r,\mu,\nu)$  is emissivity (emission coefficient)

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- solution: use comoving frame!

CMF radiative transfer equation

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- comoving frame (CMF) equation
- **v**(**r**) is the fluid velocity
- $\boldsymbol{\chi}(\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{\nu})$  and  $\boldsymbol{\eta}(\boldsymbol{r},\boldsymbol{\nu})$  do depend on  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$

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- neglect of the transformation of  $I(r,\mu,\nu)$ between individual inertial frames

#### Intermezzo: the interpretation





• in CMF: continuous redshift of a given photon

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- possible when  $\frac{\nu v(r)}{cr} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} I(r, \mu, \nu) \gg \frac{\partial}{\partial r} I(r, \mu, \nu)$
- dimensional arguments:

• 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} I(r,\mu,\nu) \sim \frac{I(r,\mu,\nu)}{r}$$
,  
•  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} I(r,\mu,\nu) \sim \frac{I(r,\mu,\nu)}{\Delta \nu}$ ,  
 $\Delta \nu = \nu \frac{v_{\text{th}}}{c}$  is the line Doppler width

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line absorption and emission coefficients are

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the line opacity and emissivity are

$$\chi(r,\nu) = \chi_{L}(r)\varphi_{ij}(\nu)$$
$$\eta(r,\nu) = \chi_{L}(r)S_{L}(r)\varphi_{ij}(\nu)$$
where  $\chi_{L}(r) = \frac{\pi e^{2}}{m_{e}c}g_{i}f_{ij}\left(\frac{n_{i}(r)}{g_{i}} - \frac{n_{j}(r)}{g_{j}}\right)$ 

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introduce a new variable

$$\mathbf{y} = \int_{\mathbf{\nu}}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}\mathbf{
u}' \mathbf{\mathbf{\phi}}_{ij}(\mathbf{\nu}')$$

- where
  - y = 0: the incoming side of the line
  - y = 1: the outgoing side of the line

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- assumptions:
  - variables do not significantly vary with r within the "resonance zone"

$$\Rightarrow \text{ fixed } r, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \to \frac{d}{dy}$$

•  $\boldsymbol{\nu} 
ightarrow \boldsymbol{
u}_0$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  integration possible

solution of the transfer equation for one line

$$I(\mathbf{y}) = I_{c}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) \exp\left[-\boldsymbol{\tau}(\boldsymbol{\mu})\mathbf{y}\right] + S_{L}\left\{1 - \exp\left[-\boldsymbol{\tau}(\boldsymbol{\mu})\mathbf{y}\right]\right\}$$

- where
  - the Sobolev optical depth is

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\mathsf{L}}(\boldsymbol{r})\boldsymbol{c}\boldsymbol{r}}{\boldsymbol{\nu}_{0}\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r})\left(1-\boldsymbol{\mu}^{2}+\frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}^{2}\boldsymbol{r}}{\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r})}\frac{\mathsf{d}\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r})}{\mathsf{d}\boldsymbol{r}}\right)}$$

• the boundary condition is  $I(y = 0) = I_c(\mu)$
#### Intermezzo: the interpretation



• au is given by the slope  $\Rightarrow au \sim \left(\frac{dv}{dr}\right)^{-1}$ 

$$f_{\rm rad} = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^\infty \boldsymbol{\chi}(\boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{\nu}) \boldsymbol{F}(\boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{\nu}) \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{\nu}$$

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• the radiative force (the radial component; force per unit of volume)

$$f_{rad} = \frac{2\pi \chi_{L}(r)}{c} \int_{0}^{1} dy \times \int_{-1}^{1} d\mu \,\mu \left\{ I_{c}(\mu) \exp\left[-\tau(\mu)y\right] + S_{L} \left\{ 1 - \exp\left[-\tau(\mu)y\right] \right\} \right\}$$

where the Sobolev optical depth is

$$\boldsymbol{\tau}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\mathsf{L}}(\boldsymbol{r})\boldsymbol{c}\boldsymbol{r}}{\boldsymbol{\nu}_{0}\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r})\left(1-\boldsymbol{\mu}^{2}+\frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}^{2}\boldsymbol{r}}{\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r})}\frac{\mathsf{d}\boldsymbol{v}(\boldsymbol{r})}{\mathsf{d}\boldsymbol{r}}\right)}$$

•  $\boldsymbol{\tau}(\boldsymbol{\mu})$  is an even function of  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ 

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• no net contribution of the emission to the radiative force ( $S_L$  is isotropic in the CMF)

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inserting

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• where  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\mathbf{r}}{\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})} \frac{d\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})}{d\mathbf{r}} - 1$ 

 Sobolev (1957), Castor (1974), Rybicki & Hummer (1978)

• optically thin line:

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- optically thin radiative force proportional to the radiative flux F(r)
- optically thin radiative force proportional to the normalised line opacity \(\chi\_L(r)\) (or to the density)
- the same result as for the static medium

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neglect of the limb darkening:

$$I_{c}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) = \left\{ egin{array}{c} I_{c} = ext{const.}, & \boldsymbol{\mu} \geq \boldsymbol{\mu}_{*}, \ 0, & \boldsymbol{\mu} < \boldsymbol{\mu}_{*} \end{array} 
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where  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_* = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\boldsymbol{R}_*^2}{r^2}}$ 

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 continuity and momentum equation of isothermal spherically symmetric wind

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$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \rho v \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} = -a^2 \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial r} + f_{rad} - \frac{\rho G M (1 - \Gamma)}{r^2}$$

- $\rho$ , v are the wind density and velocity
- *a* is the sound speed

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assumption: stationary flow

• continuity equation

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• *M* is the wind mass-loss rate

momentum equation

$$\frac{1}{r^2}\frac{\mathsf{d}}{\mathsf{d}r}\left(r^2\rho \mathbf{v}\right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\mathsf{d}\rho}{\mathsf{d}r} = -\frac{\rho}{\mathbf{v}}\frac{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{v}}{\mathsf{d}r} - \frac{2\rho}{r}$$

momentum equation:

$$\left(\mathbf{v}^{2}-\mathbf{a}^{2}\right)\frac{1}{\mathbf{v}}\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{v}}{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}} = \frac{2\mathbf{a}^{2}}{\mathbf{r}} + \frac{\mathbf{f}_{\mathrm{rad}}}{\mathbf{\rho}} - \frac{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{M}(1-\Gamma)}{\mathbf{r}^{2}}$$
$$\mathbf{v}\frac{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{v}}{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathbf{f}_{\mathrm{rad}}}{\mathbf{\rho}} - \frac{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{M}(1-\Gamma)}{\mathbf{r}^{2}}$$

• neglect of the gas-pressure term  $a^2 \frac{d\rho}{dr} \ll f_{rad}$ (possible in the supersonic part of the wind)

momentum equation

$$\mathbf{v}\frac{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{v}}{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathbf{v}_0 \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})}{\mathbf{\rho}\mathbf{c}^2} \frac{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{v}}{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{r}} - \frac{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{M}(1-\Gamma)}{\mathbf{r}^2}$$

- inclusion of the expression for the optically thick line force for  $r \gg R_*$
- $F(r) = \frac{L_{\nu}}{4\pi r^2}$ , where  $L_{\nu}$  is the monochromatic stellar luminosity (constant)

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	(Lamers et al. 1995)
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where  $\alpha = 0$  (thin) or  $\alpha = 1$  (thick)

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$$\Rightarrow 0 < \alpha < 1$$

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- where
  - $k, \alpha$  are constants (force multipliers)
  - $\sigma_{\rm Th}$  is the Thomson scattering cross-section
  - *n*<sub>e</sub> is the electron number density
  - $v_{\text{th}}$  is hydrogen thermal speed (for  $T = T_{\text{eff}}$ ) (Abbott 1982)

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- nondimensional parameters k and α describe the line-strength distribution function (CAK, Puls et al. 2000)
- in general NLTE calculations necessary to obtain k and  $\alpha$  (Abbott 1982)

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velocity in terms of the escape speed

$$w \equiv rac{v^2}{v_{
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, where  $v_{
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new radial variable

$$x \equiv 1 - \frac{R_*}{r}$$

(Owocki 2004)

 momentum equation with CAK line force (neglecting the gas pressure term)

$$1 + \boldsymbol{w}' = \boldsymbol{C} \left( \boldsymbol{w}' \right)^{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}$$

where

• 
$$w' \equiv \frac{dw}{dx}$$
  
•  $C \equiv \frac{k\sigma_{Th}L}{4\pi cGM(1-\Gamma)} \frac{n_e}{\rho} \left(\frac{\rho}{n_e} \frac{4\pi GM(1-\Gamma)}{\sigma_{Th}\dot{M}v_{th}}\right)^{\alpha}$   
•  $\frac{\rho}{n_e} \approx m_{H}$ 

algebraic equation

 momentum equation with CAK line force (neglecting the gas pressure term)

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 different solutions for different values of C (or mass-loss rate M)



 momentum equation with CAK line force (neglecting the gas pressure term)



• large C (small  $\dot{M}$ ): two solutions

 momentum equation with CAK line force (neglecting the gas pressure term)



• small C (large  $\dot{M}$ ): no solution

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• critical value of C(M): one solution

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- CAK solution: the largest *M* possible

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- ⇒ possible to derive the wind mass-loss rate and velocity profile

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IUE spectrum of α Cam



saturated line profile of P Cyg type

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 where λ<sub>0</sub> is the laboratory wavelength of a given line

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  - $I = I_{c}(\mu) \exp \left[-\tau(\mu)\right] + S_{L} \left\{1 \exp \left[-\tau(\mu)\right]\right\}$
- optically thick lines  $\tau \gg 1$  with  $S_L \ll I_c \Rightarrow I \ll I_c$

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- for saturated lines (τ ≫ 1) the absorption part of the P Cyg line profile does not depend on τ
   ⇒ determination of v<sub>∞</sub> possible
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- Z<sub>C</sub> is the carbon number density relatively to H
- $q_{CIV}$  is the ionisation fraction of CIV

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• our order-of-magnitude approximations:  $v \rightarrow v_{\infty}, r \rightarrow R_*, dv/dr \rightarrow v_{\infty}/R_*$ 

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 $\Rightarrow$  from unsaturated wind line profiles possible to derive  $q_{\text{CIV}}\dot{M}$
# Observations: P Cyg lines II.

HST spectrum of HD 13268



- in our case  $q_{\rm CIV}\dot{M} = 4 \times 10^{-10} \,{\rm M}_{\odot} \,{\rm yr}^{-1}$
- M can be derived with a knowledge of  $q_{CIV}$

• X-ray spectrum  $\theta^1$  Ori C



(CHANDRA, Schulz et al. 2003)

- X-ray emission of hot stars consists of numerous lines of highly excited elements (N VI, O VII, Fe XXIV, ...)
- signature of a presence of gas with temperatures of the order 10<sup>6</sup> K
- X-ray emission originates in the wind
  - how?

- problem:
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- further problem: how is this possible?



the radiative transfer in the comoving frame



the absorption profile in the comoving frame



• the line force



 $v_0$ 

the line force after a small change of the velocity

 ⇒ hydrodynamical simulations are necessary to describe the instability in detail (Owocki et al. 1988, Feldmeier et al. 1997, Runacres & Owocki 2002)

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2D structure of wind due to line-driven wind instability



(Sundqvist et al. 2018)

## Stars in HR diagram



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### Importance of hot star winds I.

- stars more massive than  $M\gtrsim 20\,M_{\odot}$  have strong winds basically during all evolutionary phases
- the duration of the main-sequence phase of massive stars is about 10<sup>6</sup> yr
- during this time massive stars lose mass at the rate of the order of  $10^{-6}\,M_\odot\,yr^{-1}$
- a significant part of stellar mass can be lost due to the winds
- most significant uncertainties of evolution of binary black hole merger progenitors connected with mass-loss (Abbott et al. 2017)

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  - hot stars with very strong wind (mass-loss rate could be of the order of  $10^{-5}$  M $_{\odot}$  yr<sup>-1</sup>)
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  - spectrum dominated by emission lines
  - enhanced abundance of nitrogen and/or carbon and oxygen



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- planetary nebulae
  - during the AGB stage of solar-like stars  $(M \approx 1 \, M_{\odot})$  the star loses a significant part of its mass via slow ( $\sim 10 \, \text{km s}^{-1}$ ) high-density wind
  - the hot degenerated core is exposed
  - during this stage the star has fast low-density line-driven wind
  - ⇒ planetary nebula: interaction of slow high-density and fast low-density winds

planetary nebulae



- hot star wind influence also the interstellar environment
  - enrichment of the interstellar medium
  - momentum input to the interstellar medium
  - is an important source of galactic cosmic ray particles

(e.g., Dale & Bonnell 2008, Aharonian et al. 2018)



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