

## SHORT ORAL CONTRIBUTIONS (ABSTRACTS)

### THE EFFECTS OF SCATTERING BY INTERNAL DUST ON THE SPECTRA OF EMISSION NEBULAE

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The intrinsic reddening of H II-regions, as indicated by the Balmer decrement and the ratio between the auroral (PD) and transauroral (PS) lines of [S II], has been modeled on basis of analytical solutions for the transfer of radiation in a semi-infinite homogeneous distribution of emitting atoms and intermixed scattering dust. The scattering phase function has been specified by albedo  $\omega_\lambda$  and asymmetry  $\langle \cos \theta \rangle = g_\lambda$  as calculated by White (Ap. J., 229, 954, 1979) for uncoated graphite and silicate particles. It has been found that the intrinsic color excess, over the recombination value, between the H $\alpha$  and H $\beta$  lines is  $E(\beta - \alpha) = 0^m20$ . The intrinsic color excess between the [S II] lines, over their collisional excitation values, is  $E([S II]PS-PD) = 0^m71$ . The effects of scattering by dust in a thin layer overlying the model H II-region has also been calculated. It has been found that for a layer with extinction optical depth  $\tau_\beta = 0.50$ , produces color excesses  $E'(\beta - \alpha) = 0^m03$  and  $E'([S II]PS-PD) = 0^m12$ , practically impossible to discriminate against truly interstellar reddening. The results have been extended to obtain the unreddened UV energy fluxes of HH-objects, on the assumption that they contain well mixed scattering dust. For HH-1 it is found that the external extinction amounts only to  $\tau_\beta = 0.50$ , in comparison with the value  $\tau_\beta = 1.67$  found from the [S II] lines when the extinction is assumed to be entirely interstellar. Consequently, the energy distribution of HH-1 in the UV, taking into account internal scattering, falls one full order of magnitude below that estimated by Böhm *et al.* (Ap. J. (Letters) 245, L113, 1981).

### DISCUSSION

Böhm: In view of the small column density in HH-objects would not (for normal dust-to-gas ratio) the *internal* scattering in HH-objects always be very small?

Münch: If the dust to gas ratio were normal, the path for line formation would be indeed larger than observed (filling factor  $\sim 10^{-3}$ ). In order to have the H $\beta$  path of formation accounting for the fitting factor, the gas column density corresponding to optical depth unity at H $\beta$  would have to be about  $10^2 - 10^3$  smaller than -say- in the Orion Nebula.

Königl: How do your analytical results compare with the recent numerical work by Mathis?

Münch: In regard to the H $\beta$  - H $\alpha$  color excess over recombination value they essentially agree.