

25m Telescope

High Spectral Resolution – Heterodyne

Compare with ALMA

- a). 1 x 25m vs 64 x 12m
 - b). Better Rx; Changeout; Arrays;
Larger IF bandwidth (20 GHz?)
Frequency-agile.....
 - c). Lower water vapor site; higher frequency operation.
2. Small beam (~2") on sky implies narrow spectral lines,
e.g. Kolmogorov $\Delta v \sim l^{1/3}$

ISM $\Delta v \sim .1\text{km/s} - 20\text{ GHz IF at high resolution ALMA Correlator?}$

Better than ALMA for line-surveys (broad band).

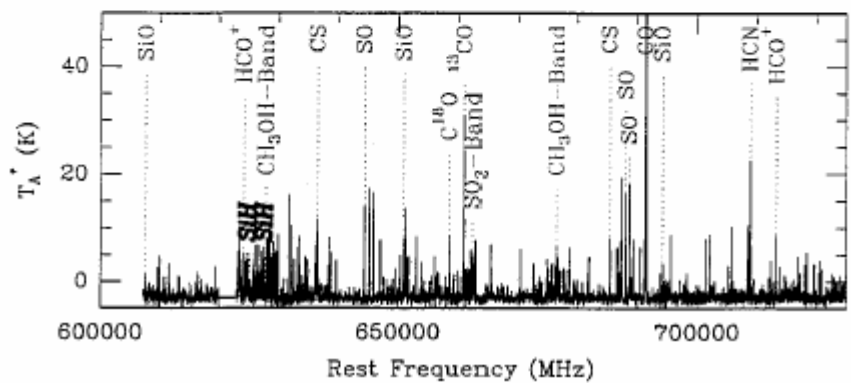
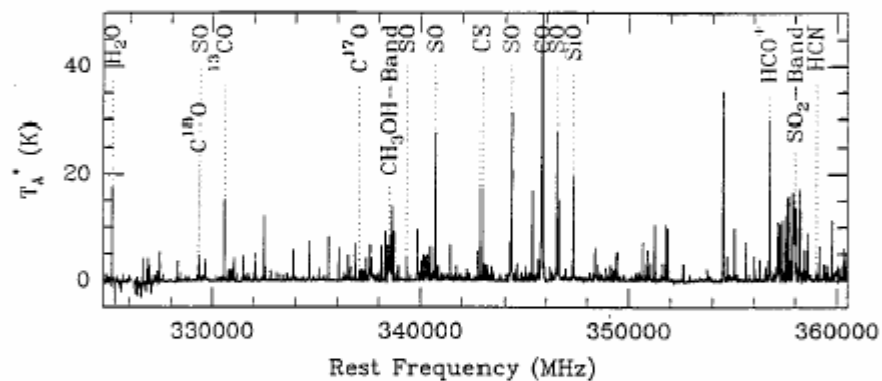
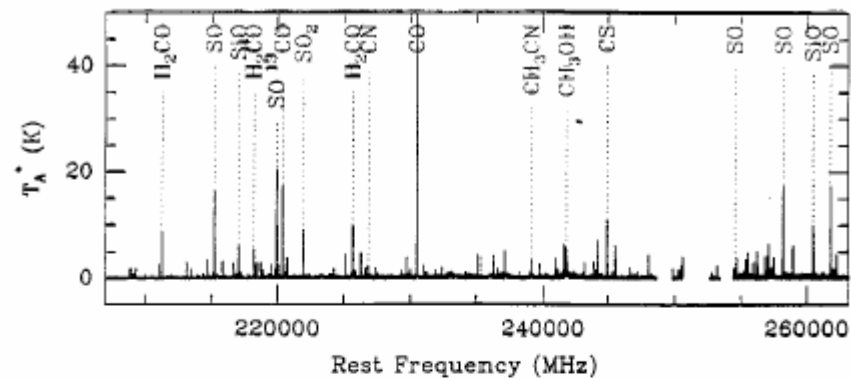
Combination of better receivers (~x2), wider IF (~x2); better site (x2?) almost compensates for the larger area of ALMA. But ALMA cannot correlate all antennas at full IF, at 0.1km/sec

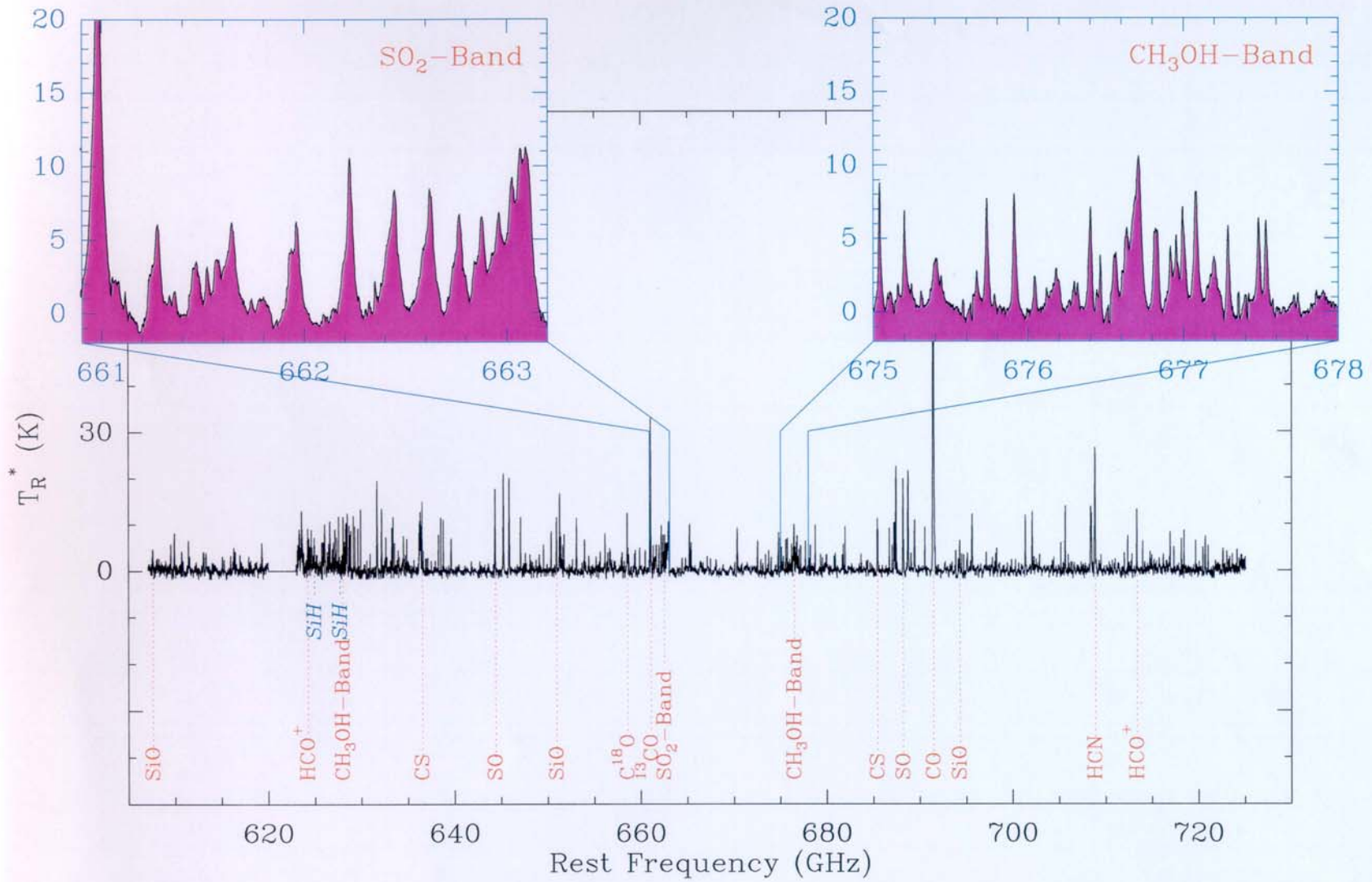
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3. Telescope beam $\sim 2''$.
 - a). Galaxy nuclei as continuum sources for absorption spectroscopy
 - Synchrotron or dust?
 - Galactic Center, $2'$ at 10 Kpc/ $0.1''$ at 10 Mpc
 - Cen A, other galaxies?
 - b). YSO disks ($1''$ - $2''$) – line-surveys!
 - c). ISM line-surveys need large IF/agile Rx/wide atmospheric windows/high frequency windows.
4. 25m suitable for zero spacing adjunct to ALMA.
5. Conclusion:

2.5m is superior for high resolution line-surveys of YSOs and possibly galaxy nuclei absorption spectroscopy





New Receivers

High Sensitivity Receivers:

Gain in t (W.r.t. 90s)

Dual Polarization

2

On-off instantaneous subtraction

2

Sideband separation

~2

Cross-Correlation

?

Wideband IF (4 GHz; 20 GHz?)

4

Wideband back-ends

High frequency – 3 THz (HEB)

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Low noise – $2 h \nu/k$ (SIS)

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> 100

New Advantages:

>10 more sensitivity

Fast line-surveys

Wideband at high resolution (high spatial resolution=> high Spectral resolution)
(Alma needs reduced baselines - full correlator mode?)

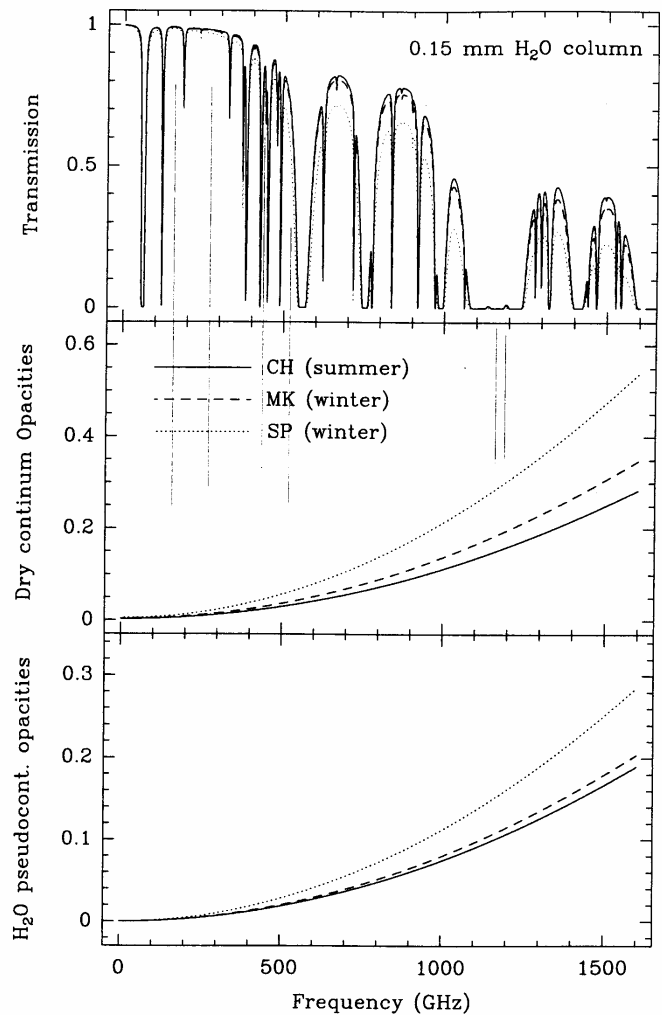


Fig. 3. Calculated atmospheric transmissions and continuum-like opacities for the three atmospheric profiles of Figure 2. Solid, dashed and dotted line indications apply also for the upper panel. Minor gases have been removed for clarity.

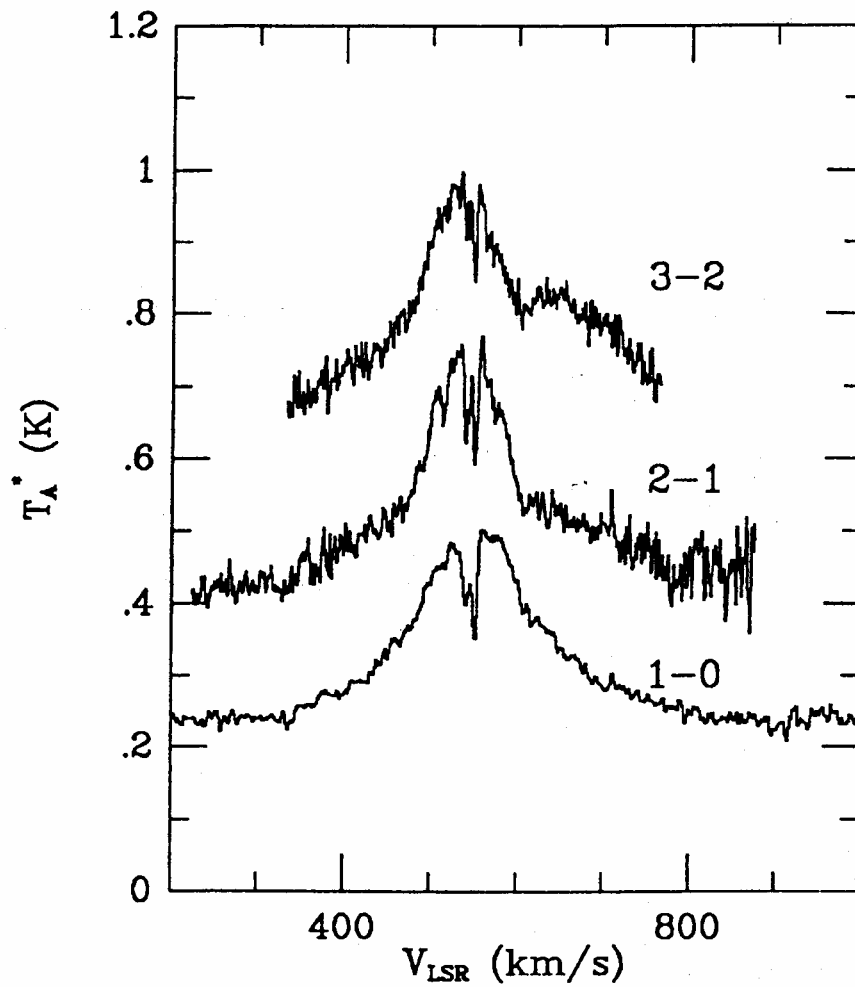


Fig. 1. ^{12}CO 1-0, 2-1 and 3-2 spectra toward the nucleus of Centaurus A, smoothed to 2.8, 0.9 and 0.9 km s^{-1} resolution. The 2-1 and 3-2 spectra have been shifted in T_A^* by +0.25 and +0.45 K respectively.

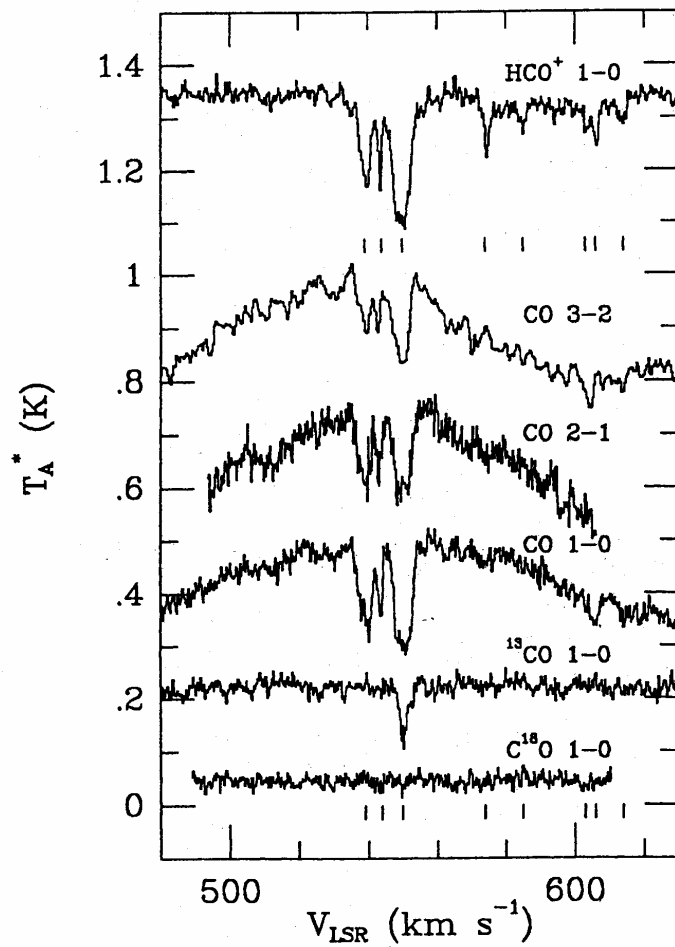


Fig. 2. High-resolution spectra of HCO^+ 1-0, ^{12}CO 3-2, 2-1 and 1-0, ^{13}CO 1-0 and C^{18}O 1-0 toward the nucleus of Centaurus A. The spectra have been shifted in T_A^* by +1.05, +0.4, +0.25, 0.0, -0.05 K and -0.20 K, and have velocity resolutions of 0.29, 0.9, 0.23, 0.23, 0.23 and 0.23 km s^{-1} , respectively. Note the numerous absorption components in the HCO^+ spectrum at red-shifted velocities.