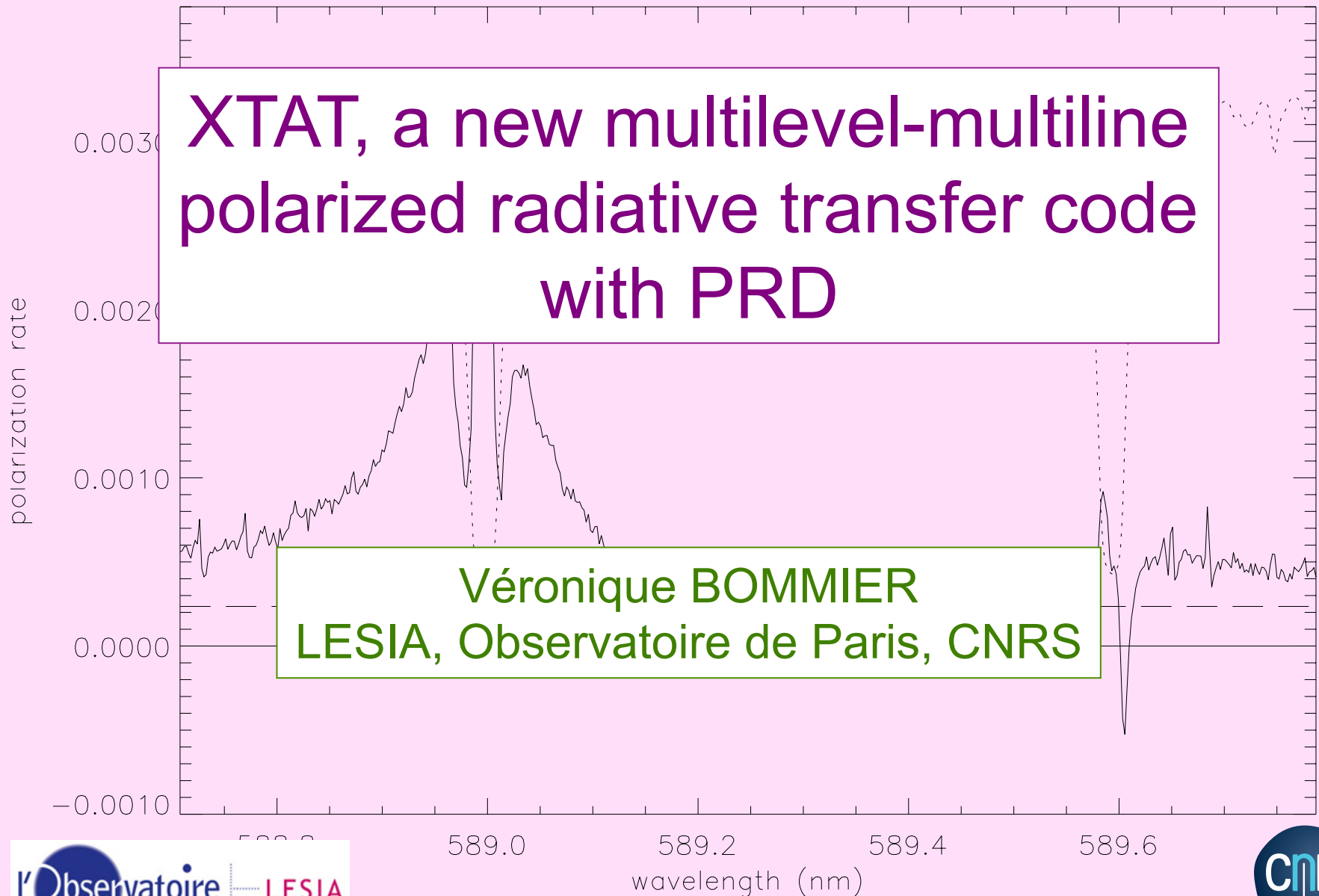


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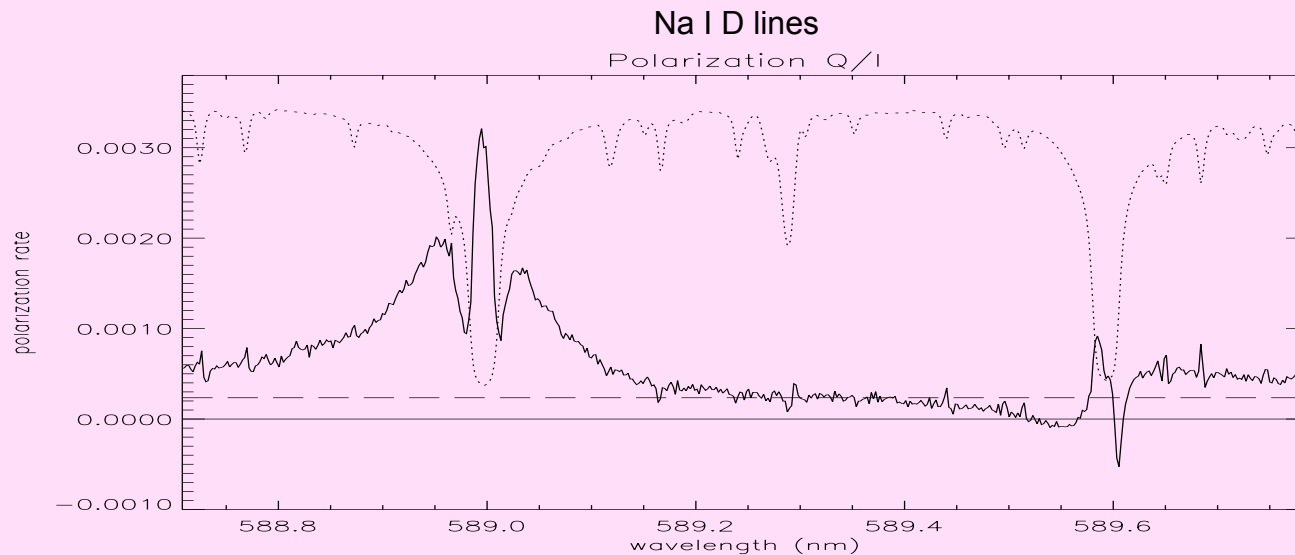
# XTAT, a new multilevel-multiline polarized radiative transfer code with PRD

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## Objective

- Modeling the line profile formation **including polarization**  
Magnetic field, multilevel-multiline, polarization profile, far wings  
Solving the coupled statistical equilibrium and radiative transfer equations, for the polarized atom
- Interpreting the **Second Solar Spectrum** (Stenflo, 1996)  
Linear polarization formed by scattering and observed inside the solar limb



from Bommier & Molodij, 2002, A&A 381, 241, THEMIS observation

- 30% of the lines display a M-type polarization profile with far wings  
Belluzzi & Landi Degl'Innocenti, 2009, A&A 495, 577, & Belluzzi's PhD

## Going out of the 2-level approximation

is solving the system of statistical equilibrium equations (SEE)

But how taking into account the partial redistribution (PRD) ?

The SEE accounts for

- absorption
- emission

But how taking into account

- absorption *followed* by emission ?
- how the system may have "memory" ?

Answer:

- by going out of the "short memory" approximation
- i.e., **by overcoming the Markov approximation**

(Bommier, 1997, A&A 328, 706 & 726)

This will also help for **line profiles** in SEE

## The Markov approximation

Hamiltonian atom+radiation:  $H = H_0 + V$

Schrödinger equation in interaction representation:  $i\hbar \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}(t) = [\tilde{V}(t), \tilde{\rho}(t)]$

which can be integrated in:  $\tilde{\rho}(t) = \tilde{\rho}(0) + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_0^t [\tilde{V}(t-\tau), \tilde{\rho}(t-\tau)] d\tau$

Markov approximation:  $\tilde{\rho}(t) = \tilde{\rho}(0) + \frac{1}{i\hbar} \int_0^t [\tilde{V}(t-\tau), \tilde{\rho}(t)] d\tau$

– Physical meaning:  $\rho$  does not keep memory of his past history

**Validity:** the characteristic  $\rho$  evolution time  $\Gamma^{-1} \gg$  the interaction correlation time  $\tau_c$   
Cohen-Tannoudji (1975): the validity condition is fulfilled for weak radiation field

**Consequence:** the  $\rho$  finite life-time  $\Gamma^{-1}$  is not taken into account in the process  
the line width, or profile, is discarded from the formalism  
at its place, one has

$$\int_0^{+\infty} e^{-(\omega - \omega_0)\tau} d\tau = \frac{1}{2} \delta(\omega - \omega_0) + iP(\omega - \omega_0)$$

$P$ : Cauchy Principal Value

# Overcoming the Markov approximation

The Markov approximation intervenes in a perturbation development

Reporting the integral equation in the differential one

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}(t) = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\tilde{V}(t), \tilde{\rho}(0)] - \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t [\tilde{V}(t) [\tilde{V}(t-\tau), \tilde{\rho}(t-\tau)]] d\tau$$

Markov approximation closes the development:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}(t) = \frac{1}{i\hbar} [\tilde{V}(t), \tilde{\rho}(0)] - \frac{1}{\hbar^2} \int_0^t [\tilde{V}(t) [\tilde{V}(t-\tau), \tilde{\rho}(t)]] d\tau$$

Getting out of the Markov approximation is reporting several times the integral equation  
This is pursuing the perturbation development

at order-4:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}(t) = \frac{1}{\hbar^4} \int_0^t d\tau \int_0^{t-\tau_1} d\tau \int_0^{t-\tau_1-\tau_2} d\tau [\tilde{V}(t), [\tilde{V}(t-\tau_1), [\tilde{V}(t-\tau_1-\tau_2), [\tilde{V}(t-\tau_1-\tau_2-\tau_3), \tilde{\rho}(t-\tau_1-\tau_2-\tau_3)]]]]]$$

Markov approximation closes again the development

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}(t) = \frac{1}{\hbar^4} \int_0^t d\tau \int_0^{t-\tau_1} d\tau \int_0^{t-\tau_1-\tau_2} d\tau [\tilde{V}(t), [\tilde{V}(t-\tau_1), [\tilde{V}(t-\tau_1-\tau_2), [\tilde{V}(t-\tau_1-\tau_2-\tau_3), \tilde{\rho}(t)]]]]]$$

and so on.

## Resummation

The statistical equilibrium equation remains the same as usual, except that in place of the  $\delta$  function, at the profile place, appears a quantity of the generic form

Perturbation development manually written

$$\varphi \left\{ 1 - \frac{A_{ba}}{2} \varphi + \frac{A_{ba}^2}{2^2} \varphi^2 - \frac{A_{ba}^3}{2^3} \varphi^3 + \dots \right\}$$

One sees that it behaves as

$$\varphi \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ -\frac{A_{ba}}{2} \varphi \right]^n \right\}$$

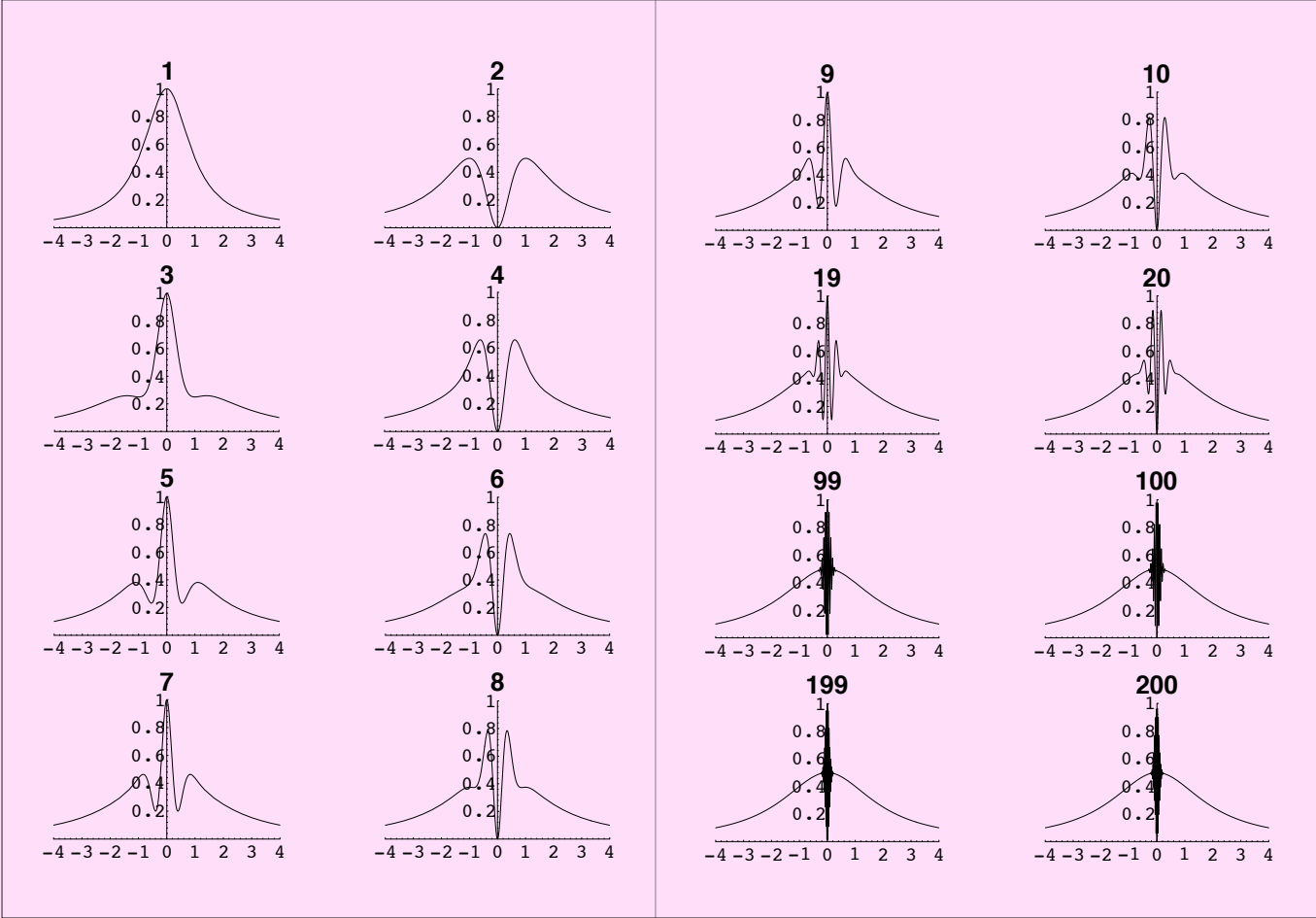
which can be resummed in

$$\frac{\varphi}{1 + \frac{A_{ba}}{2} \varphi}$$

which introduces  $A_{ba}$  as a half-half-width in the profile

**The resummed theory is non-perturbative**

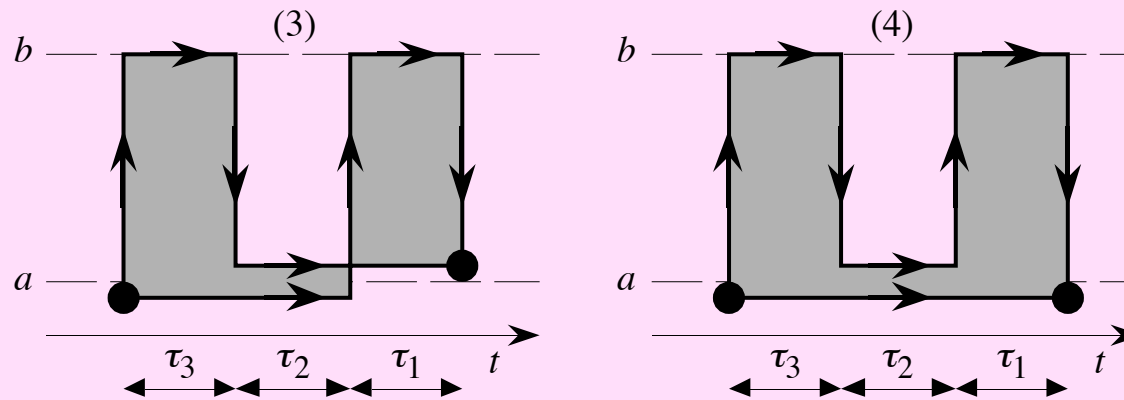
# Resummation effect on the line width



the resummation broadens the line

## 2<sup>nd</sup> effect: new term at order-4 in the emissivity

New processes appear at order-4, that can be represented as:



The two transition amplitude do not stay at the same time in the upper level b

The b level is « never populated », or « virtual »

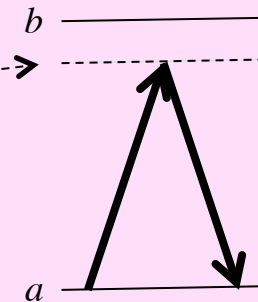
There is no absorption, nor emission

There is only scattering, with frequency conservation

This is Rayleigh scattering (can be generalized to Raman scattering)

This intervenes in the far wings

There is frequency coherence between the « absorbed » and the « emitted » photons,  
Such a coherence which was rendered impossible by the Markov approximation





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# SEE: Statistical Equilibrium Equations

## Atomic Density Matrix

Evolution of a coherence between the levels  $(J_1 M_1)$  and  $(J'_1 M'_1)$ ,  $\alpha_1$  representing the other quantum numbers, of a mean atom at position  $\vec{r}$  with velocity  $\vec{v}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} \rho_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) = & \\
 -\frac{i}{\hbar} [E(\alpha_1 J_1 M_1) - E(\alpha_1 J'_1 M'_1)] \rho_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) & \quad \text{Hanle effect term} \\
 + \sum_{\alpha_2 J_2 J'_2 M_2 M'_2} \Gamma_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1 \leftarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J'_2 M_2 M'_2} \rho_{\alpha_2 J_2 J'_2 M_2 M'_2}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) & \quad \text{"populating" contributions} \\
 -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{J'_1 M'_1} \left\{ \sum_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \Gamma_{\alpha_2 J_2 J_2 M_2 M_2 \leftarrow \alpha_1 J'_1 J_1 M'_1 M_1} \rho_{\alpha_1 J'_1 J_1 M'_1 M_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \right. & \quad \text{"depopulating" contributions} \\
 \left. + \sum_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \Gamma_{\alpha_2 J_2 J_2 M_2 M_2 \leftarrow \alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1} \rho_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \right\} & 
 \end{aligned}$$

## What about the atomic velocity ? The Doppler redistribution

The atomic velocity is an **external freedom degree**

In solar conditions, velocity-changing collisions are rare.

The time between two such collisions  $\gg$  the level radiative lifetime

It can be shown (Sahal-Bréchet, Bommier, Feautrier, 1998, A&A 340, 579) that the SEE have to be **solved for each velocity class**, i.e. for each density matrix  $\rho(\vec{v})$

The line profile in SEE is the one in the atomic frame, in which the atomic velocity is taken into account by the Doppler effect

$$\tilde{\nu} = \nu \left( 1 - \frac{\vec{\Omega} \cdot \vec{v}}{c} \right)$$

## Radiation Field Tensors

Landi Degl'Innocenti, 1983, Solar Phys. 85, 3

$$J_{qq'}(\nu) = \oint \frac{d\vec{\Omega}}{4\pi} \sum_{i=0}^3 \mathcal{T}_{qq'}(i, \vec{\Omega}) S_i(\nu, \vec{\Omega})$$

$$q, q' = -1, 0, +1$$

$i$ : reference index for Stokes parameters  $i = 0, \dots, 3$

$\nu$ : radiation frequency

$\vec{\Omega}$ : radiation propagation direction

$S_i(\nu, \vec{\Omega})$ : Stokes parameter  $i$  at frequency  $\nu$   
propagating along  $\vec{\Omega}$

$\mathcal{T}_{qq'}(i, \vec{\Omega})$ : spherical tensor for polarimetry

defined by Landi Degl'Innocenti (1983, Table II)

## Fine-structure algebra

$$\begin{aligned} X(\alpha_2 J_2 J'_2 \rightarrow \alpha_1 J_1 J'_1) = & \\ (-1)^{J'_1 - J_1 + J'_2 - J_2} & \sqrt{(2J_1 + 1)(2J_2 + 1)(2J'_1 + 1)(2J'_2 + 1)} \\ \times (2L_2 + 1) & \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ L_2 & S & L_1 \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} J'_1 & 1 & J'_2 \\ L_2 & S & L_1 \end{array} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

(analogous expression for hyperfine structure)

## Line profiles Lorentz

$$\frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu) = \frac{1}{\gamma_{ba} + i(\omega_0 - \omega + \Delta_{ba})}$$

$$\text{with } \int \Phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu) d\nu = 1$$

$\omega = 2\pi\nu$  is the pulsation

$\Delta_{ba}$  is a shift term due to the interaction

$b, a$ : line upper and lower level

$\gamma_{ba} = \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + \Gamma_E)$ : radiative and collisional line broadening

$\nu_0$  ( $\omega_0$ ): line central frequency (pulsation)

## Level profiles Lorentz

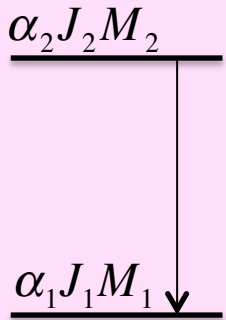
$$\frac{1}{2}\Phi_a(\nu_1 - \nu_2) = \frac{1}{\gamma_a + i(\omega_1 - \omega_2)}$$

with  $\int \Phi_a(\nu_1 - \nu_2) d\nu_1 = 1$

$\omega = 2\pi\nu$  is the pulsation

$a$  : one level

$\gamma_a = (\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I)$  : radiative and collisional level broadening



## Radiative Transition Probabilities spontaneous emission

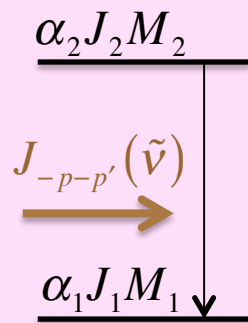
$$\Gamma_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1 \leftarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J'_2 M_2 M'_2}^{\text{sp}} =$$

$$X(\alpha_2 J_2 J'_2 \rightarrow \alpha_1 J_1 J'_1) A(\alpha_2 L_2 S \rightarrow \alpha_1 L_1 S)$$

$$\times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & -p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J'_1 & 1 & J'_2 \\ -M'_1 & -p & M'_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(isotropic)  
+ analogous for collisional transitions

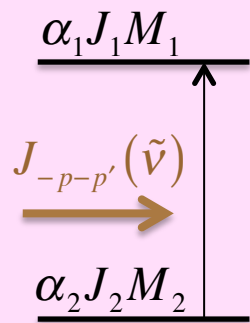




## Radiative Transition Probabilities induced emission

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{\alpha_1 J_1 J_1 M_1 M_1' \leftarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2 M_2 M_2'}^{\text{ind}} = & \\
 & X(\alpha_2 J_2 J_2' \rightarrow \alpha_1 J_1 J_1') 3B(\alpha_2 L_2 S \rightarrow \alpha_1 L_1 S) \\
 & \times \int d\nu \oint \frac{d\vec{\Omega}}{4\pi} (-1)^{M_1 - M_1'} J_{-p-p'}(\tilde{\nu}) \\
 & \times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & -p' & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_1' & 1 & J_2' \\ -M_1' & -p & M_2' \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \times \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^* \left( \nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} - \tilde{\nu} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba} \left( \nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} - \tilde{\nu} \right) \right] \\
 \text{where } \nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} = & \frac{1}{h} \left[ E(\alpha_2 J_2 M_2) - E(\alpha_1 J_1 M_1) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

+ analogous for collisional transitions  
(but isotropic)



## Radiative Transition Probabilities absorption

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{\alpha_1 J_1 J_1 M_1 M_1 \leftarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2 M_2 M_2}^{\text{abs}} = & \\
 & X(\alpha_2 J_2 J_2' \rightarrow \alpha_1 J_1 J_1') 3B(\alpha_2 L_2 S \rightarrow \alpha_1 L_1 S) \\
 & \times \int d\nu \oint \frac{d\vec{\Omega}}{4\pi} (-1)^{M_1 - M_1' + p + p'} J_{-p-p'}(\tilde{\nu}) \\
 & \times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_1' & 1 & J_2' \\ -M_1' & p' & M_2' \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \times \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) \right] \\
 \text{where } \nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} = & \frac{1}{h} [E(\alpha_2 J_2 M_2) - E(\alpha_1 J_1 M_1)]
 \end{aligned}$$

+ analogous for collisional transitions  
(but isotropic)

# RTE: Radiative Transfer Equation

$$\frac{d}{ds} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ Q \\ U \\ V \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_I \\ \epsilon_Q \\ \epsilon_U \\ \epsilon_V \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{spontaneous emission}} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \eta_I^s & \eta_Q^s & \eta_U^s & \eta_V^s \\ \eta_Q^s & \eta_I^s & \rho_V^s & -\rho_U^s \\ \eta_U^s & -\rho_V^s & \eta_I^s & \rho_Q^s \\ \eta_V^s & \rho_U^s & -\rho_Q^s & \eta_I^s \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{induced emission}} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ Q \\ U \\ V \end{pmatrix} - \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \eta_I & \eta_Q & \eta_U & \eta_V \\ \eta_Q & \eta_I & \rho_V & -\rho_U \\ \eta_U & -\rho_V & \eta_I & \rho_Q \\ \eta_V & \rho_U & -\rho_Q & \eta_I \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{absorption}} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ Q \\ U \\ V \end{pmatrix}$$

$\alpha_1 J_1 M_1$  $\alpha_2 J_2 M_2$ 

## Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients emissivity

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_i^{(2)}(\vec{r}, \nu, \vec{\Omega}) = & \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \mathcal{N} \sum_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1 \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v})^{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1} \rho_{M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \mathcal{T}_{-p-p'}(i, \vec{\Omega}) \\ & \times X(\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2) 3A(\alpha_1 L_1 S \rightarrow \alpha_2 L_2 S) \\ & \times \begin{pmatrix} J_2 & 1 & J_1 \\ -M_2 & -p' & M_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_2 & 1 & J'_1 \\ -M_2 & -p & M'_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ & \times \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_1 J'_1 M'_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

# Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients

emissivity, new second coefficient

$$\varepsilon_i^{(4)}(\vec{r}, \nu, \vec{\Omega}) =$$

$$\frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \mathcal{W} \sum_{\alpha_1 J_1 J_1' M_1 M_1' \alpha_2 J_2 J_2' M_2 M_2' \alpha_3 J_3 M_3} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v})^{\alpha_1 J_1 J_1'} \rho_{M_1 M_1'}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \mathcal{T}_{-p''-p'''}(i, \vec{\Omega})$$

$$\times \int d\nu_1 (-1)^{M_1 - M_1'} J_{-p-p'}(\tilde{\nu}_1)$$

$$\times X(\alpha_1 J_1 J_1' \rightarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2') 3B(\alpha_1 L_1 S \rightarrow \alpha_2 L_2 S)$$

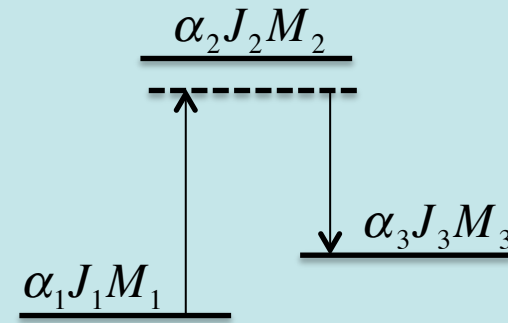
$$\times X(\alpha_2 J_2 J_2' \rightarrow \alpha_3 J_3 J_3) 3A(\alpha_2 L_2 S \rightarrow \alpha_3 L_3 S)$$

$$\times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & -p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_1' & 1 & J_2' \\ -M_1' & -p' & M_2' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\times \begin{pmatrix} J_3 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_3 & -p''' & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_3 & 1 & J_2' \\ -M_3 & -p'' & M_2' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\times \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2' M_2', \alpha_1 J_1' M_1'} - \tilde{\nu}_1) \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} + \nu_{\alpha_1 J_1' M_1', \alpha_3 J_3 M_3} - \tilde{\nu}) \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ca}(\tilde{\nu} - \tilde{\nu}_1 - \nu_{\alpha_1 J_1' M_1', \alpha_3 J_3 M_3}) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} - \tilde{\nu}_1) \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2' M_2', \alpha_1 J_1' M_1'} + \nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_3 J_3 M_3} - \tilde{\nu}) \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ca}^*(\tilde{\nu} - \tilde{\nu}_1 - \nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_3 J_3 M_3}) \right\}$$

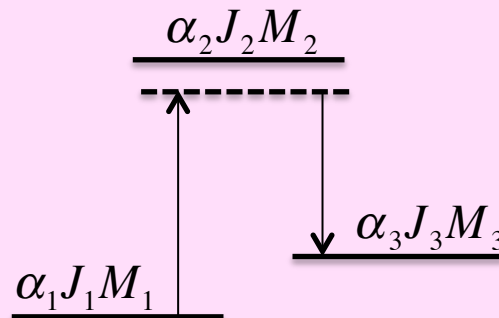


## Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients

emissivity, new second coefficient

The order-4 term in the emissivity:

- its integral over one or the other of the frequencies is zero
- it **redistributes** the frequencies inside the emission profile
- the result is a decoupling between atom and radiation



$\alpha_2 J_2 M_2$  $\alpha_1 J_1 M_1$ 

## Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients

absorption coefficient

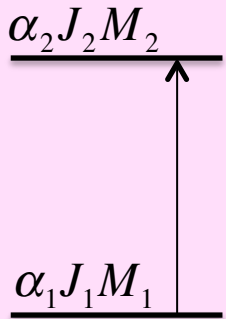
$$\eta_i(\vec{r}, \nu, \vec{\Omega}) =$$

$$\frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \mathcal{W} \sum_{\alpha_1 J_1 J_1' M_1 M_1' \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v})^{\alpha_1 J_1 J_1'} \rho_{M_1 M_1'}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \mathcal{T}_{-p-p'}(i, \vec{\Omega}) (-1)^{M_1 - M_1'}$$

$$\times X(\alpha_1 J_1 J_1' \rightarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2') 3B(\alpha_1 L_1 S \rightarrow \alpha_2 L_2 S)$$

$$\times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & -p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J_1' & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1' & -p' & M_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\times \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} - \tilde{\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1' M_1'} - \tilde{\nu}) \right]$$



## Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients absorption coefficient, magneto-optical effects

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_i(\vec{r}, \nu, \vec{\Omega}) = & \\
 & \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \mathcal{W} \sum_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1 \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v})^{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1} \rho_{M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \mathcal{T}_{-p-p'}(i, \vec{\Omega}) (-1)^{M_1 - M'_1} \\
 & \times X(\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2) 3B(\alpha_1 L_1 S \rightarrow \alpha_2 L_2 S) \\
 & \times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & -p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J'_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M'_1 & -p' & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \times (-i) \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J_1 M_1} - \tilde{\nu}) - \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2, \alpha_1 J'_1 M'_1} - \tilde{\nu}) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

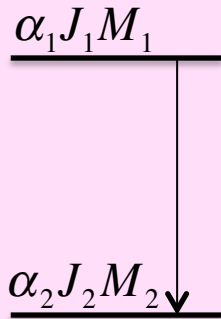


$\underline{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1}$  $\underline{\alpha_2 J_2 M_2}$ 

## Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients

induced emission coefficient

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_i^s(\vec{r}, \nu, \vec{\Omega}) = & \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \mathcal{N} \sum_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1 \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v})^{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1} \rho_{M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \mathcal{T}_{-p-p'}(i, \vec{\Omega}) \\ & \times X(\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2) 3B(\alpha_1 L_1 S \rightarrow \alpha_2 L_2 S) \\ & \times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & p' & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J'_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M'_1 & p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \\ & \times \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) + \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) \right] \end{aligned}$$



## Radiative Transfer Equation Coefficients induced emission coefficient: magneto-optical effects

$$\begin{aligned}
 \rho_i^s(\vec{r}, \nu, \vec{\Omega}) = & \\
 & \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \mathcal{N} \sum_{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 M_1 M'_1 \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} \int d^3\vec{v} f(\vec{v})^{\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1} \rho_{M_1 M'_1}(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \mathcal{T}_{-p-p'}(i, \vec{\Omega}) \\
 & \times X(\alpha_1 J_1 J'_1 \rightarrow \alpha_2 J_2 J_2) 3B(\alpha_1 L_1 S \rightarrow \alpha_2 L_2 S) \\
 & \times \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M_1 & p' & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} J'_1 & 1 & J_2 \\ -M'_1 & p & M_2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 & \times (-i) \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}(\nu_{\alpha_1 J'_1 M'_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) - \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_{\alpha_1 J_1 M_1, \alpha_2 J_2 M_2} - \tilde{\nu}) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

# Irreducible Tensors basis

$\rho_Q^K$

on the example of a  $J = 1$  level, 9 density matrix elements

- atom in cylindrical symmetry, without structure & without magnetic field

2 non-zero density matrix elements:  $\underbrace{\rho_0^0}_{\text{population}}$  &  $\underbrace{\rho_0^2}_{\text{alignment}}$

- atom in cylindrical symmetry, without structure but with magnetic field

6 non-zero density matrix elements:  $\underbrace{\rho_0^0}_{\text{population}}$ ,  $\underbrace{\rho_{-2}^2, \rho_{-1}^2, \rho_0^2, \rho_1^2, \rho_2^2}_{\text{alignment}}$

- atom in cylindrical symmetry, with structure & magnetic field

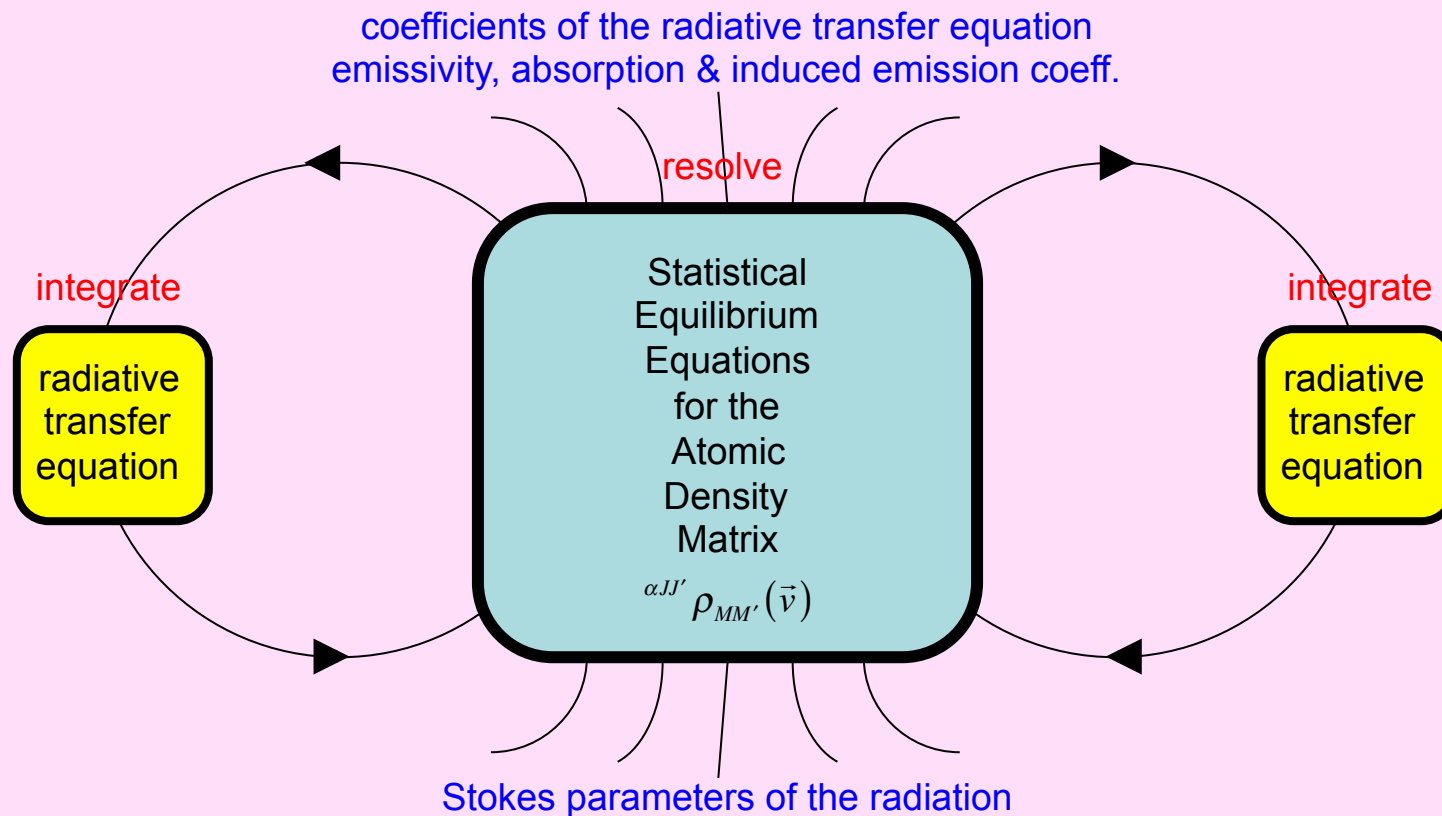
9 non-zero density matrix elements:  $\underbrace{\rho_0^0}_{\text{population}}$ ,  $\underbrace{\rho_{-1}^1, \rho_0^1, \rho_1^1}_{\text{orientation}}$ ,  $\underbrace{\rho_{-2}^2, \rho_{-1}^2, \rho_0^2, \rho_1^2, \rho_2^2}_{\text{alignment}}$   
 (alignment to orientation effect)

**Conclusion:** in the general case, there is no symmetry and therefore no gain (reduction of element number) in applying the irreducible tensors algebra

the dyadic basis will be used  $\rho_{MM'}$

# XTAT, a code based on this theory for modeling the polarized line formation

Centered on statistical equilibrium resolution for the multilevel atom  
(iterative method)



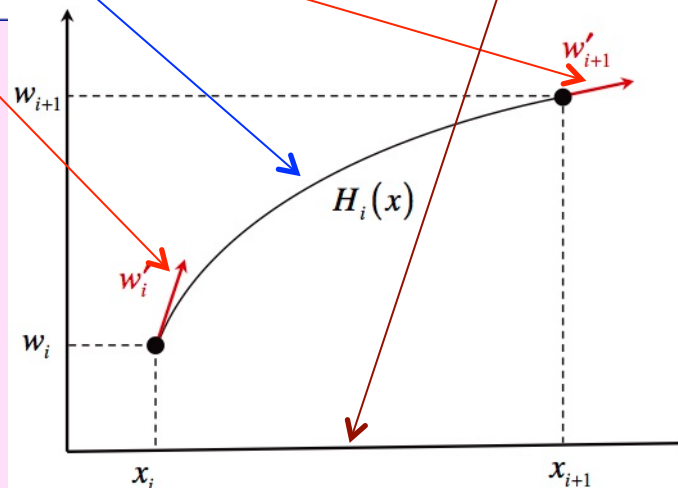
hybrid MPI-OpenMP PARALLELIZED

## Integration of the RTE

**Short characteristics** method by Ibgui et al., 2013, A&A 549, A126, inspired by Auer (2003):

Piecewise cubic locally monotonic interpolation between grid-points (nodes):

- Interpolant: Cubic Hermite Polynomial
- Derivatives at nodes from Brodlie (1980), Fritsch & Butland (1984)
- Taylor expansion up to the 3<sup>rd</sup> order for  $\Delta\tau < 0.05$



## Numerics

- **Discretizations:**
  - 1024 depths
  - 7 line frequencies (about each line center frequency)
  - 6 atomic velocities (Maxwell distribution for the global atom)
  - 4 inclination angles (radiation & velocities)
  - 8 azimuth angles (radiation & velocities)
- **Integrations:** Gauss methods
  - finite integral limits (angles): Gauss-Legendre
  - infinite integral limits (frequencies, velocities): Gauss-Hermite

## Parallelization

- **Massive:** 32768 threads running simultaneously
- **Hybrid:**
  - loop MPI parallelized
    - 1024 depths
  - grouped in one single loop OpenMP parallelized (shared memory saves memory)
    - 4 inclination angles (radiation & velocities)
    - 8 azimuth angles (radiation & velocities)
- **Machine:** IBM Blue Gene/Q (IDRIS, Orsay, France)

## Line profiles

- in the SEE, for each atomic velocity class:  
natural width  $\ll$  incident line width  
→ incident radiation assumed constant along the natural width
- for the RTE coefficients:  
there are not enough velocity nodes  
→ the emission/absorption profile is replaced,  
for each velocity node,  
by a Voigt profile.



## Acceleration

The method is  $\Lambda$ -iteration.

It is well-known to require acceleration for convergence

- **Ng acceleration:**
  - requires to keep in memory 3 or 4 previous iteration results
  - we do not have enough memory
- **Preconditioning** (Rybicki & Hummer 1991, 1992, 1994)
  - method: replacing the level population contribution to the incident radiation, by the new unknown value
  - very efficient for isolated levels/lines
  - the more levels are involved, the less efficient is the method
  - "The preconditioning of some [several] terms may have little effect on the convergence rate" (Rybicki & Hummer, 1992, "Overlapping transitions")
  - we have lots of sublevels and atomic coherences

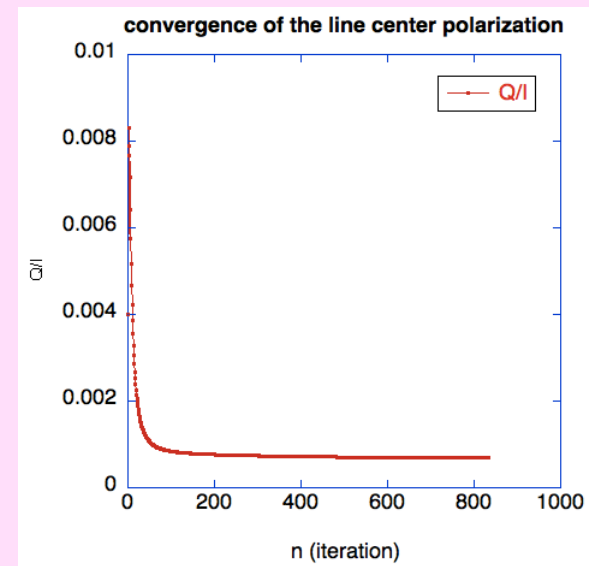
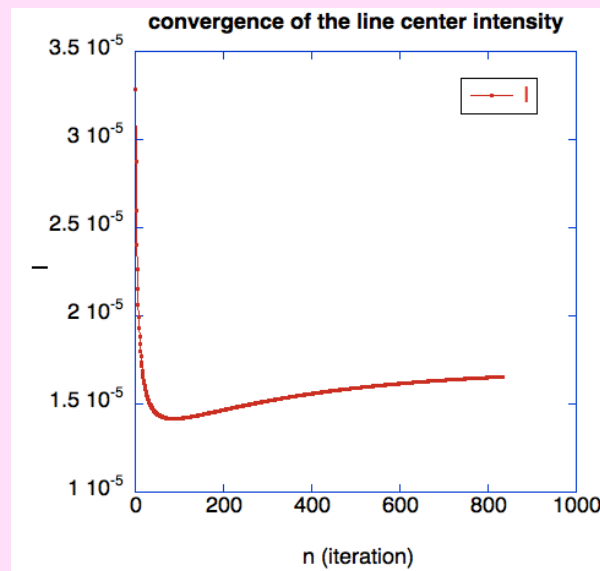
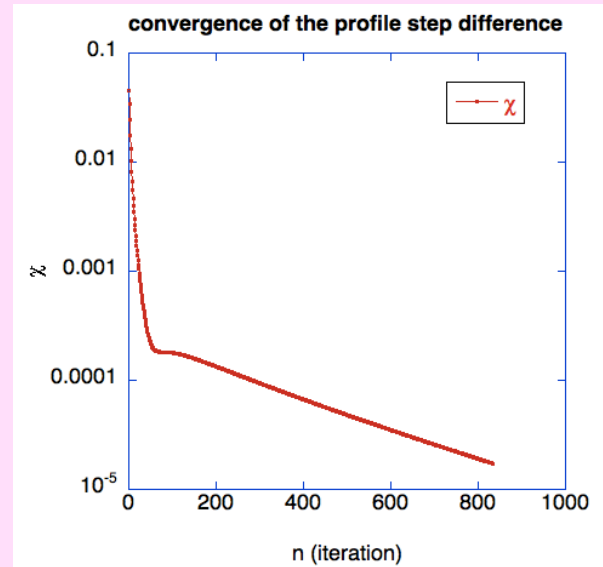
## Initialisation & run conditions

- initialisation: LTE density matrix populations
- Na I D1 & D2 observed near the solar limb, inside "Second Solar Spectrum"
- Solar atmosphere model: FAL-C
- Ionization: Saha equilibrium is assumed
- Collisions rates:
  - elastic (or quasi-elastic)  $\text{Na} + \text{H}$   
Kerkeni & Bommier (2002)
  - inelastic  $\text{Na} + e^-$   
semi-classical perturbation method of Sahal-Brechot (1969)  
improved by taking into account the energy and moment transfer during the collision by Bommier (2006, SPW4)

- no hyperfine structure
- no PRD, only CRD

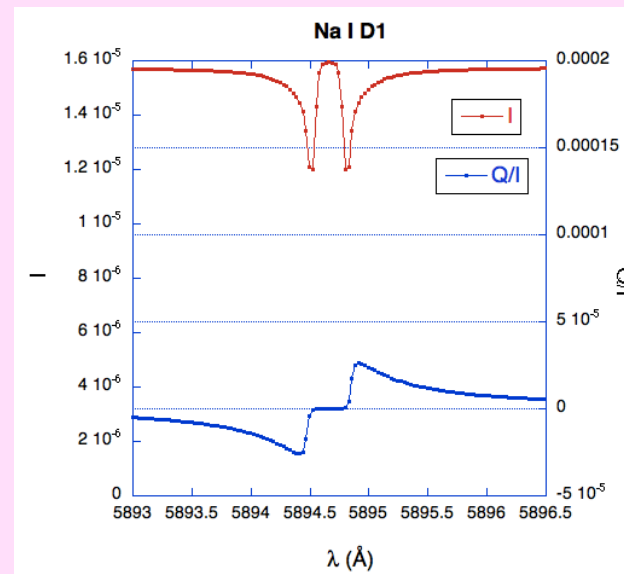
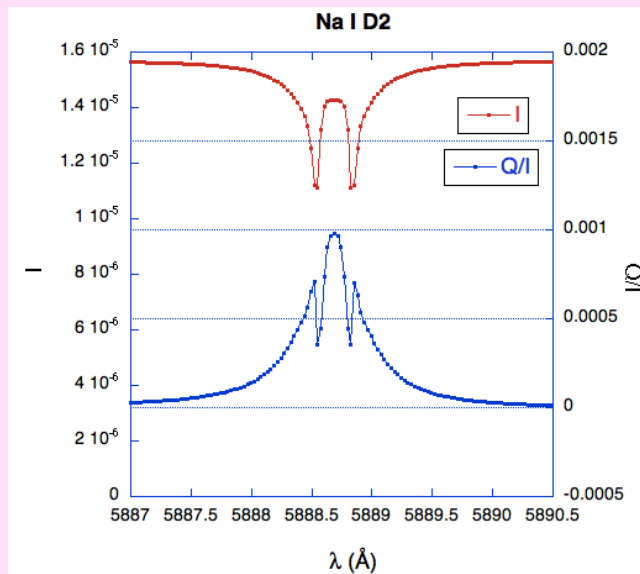
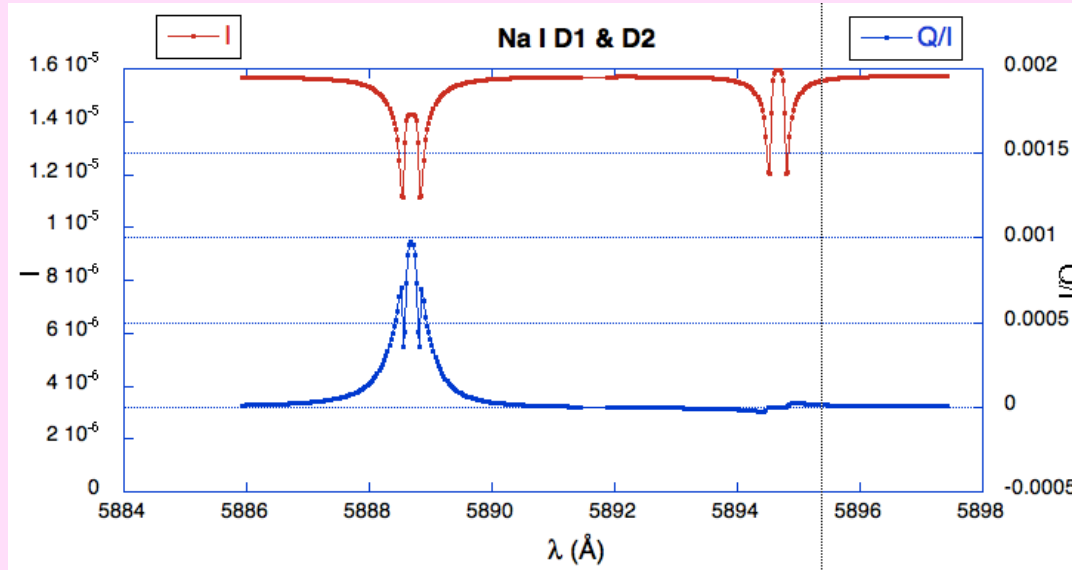
$$\varepsilon \approx 10^{-3}$$

## Convergence



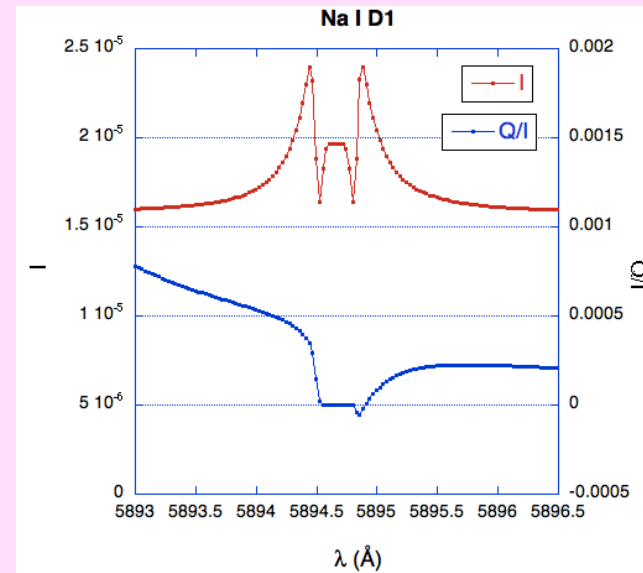
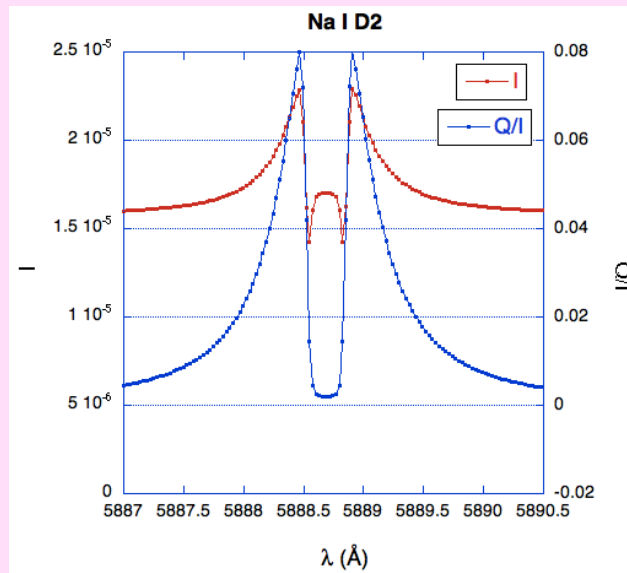
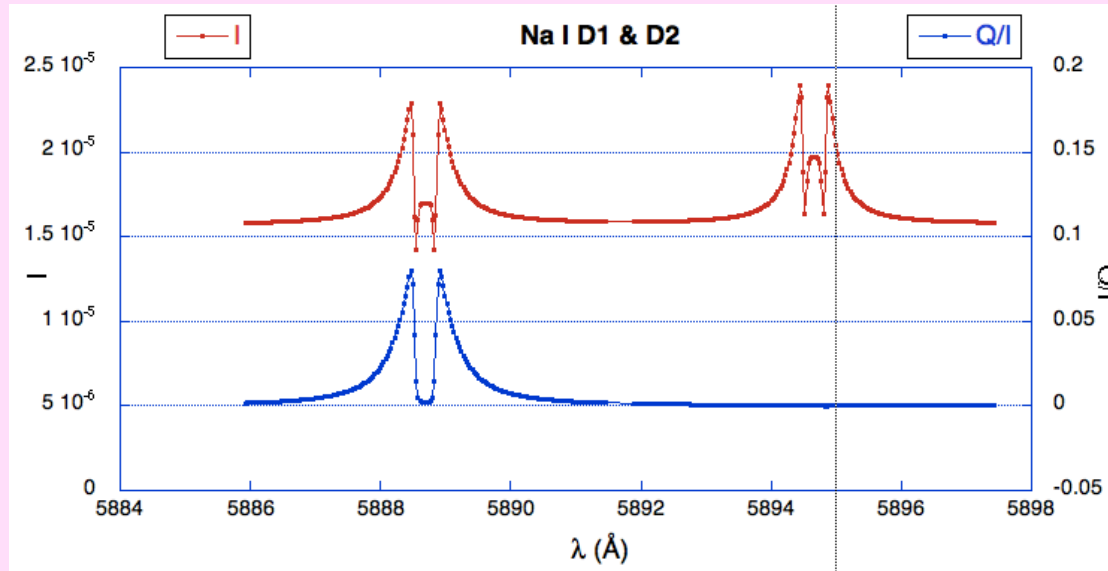
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# Results



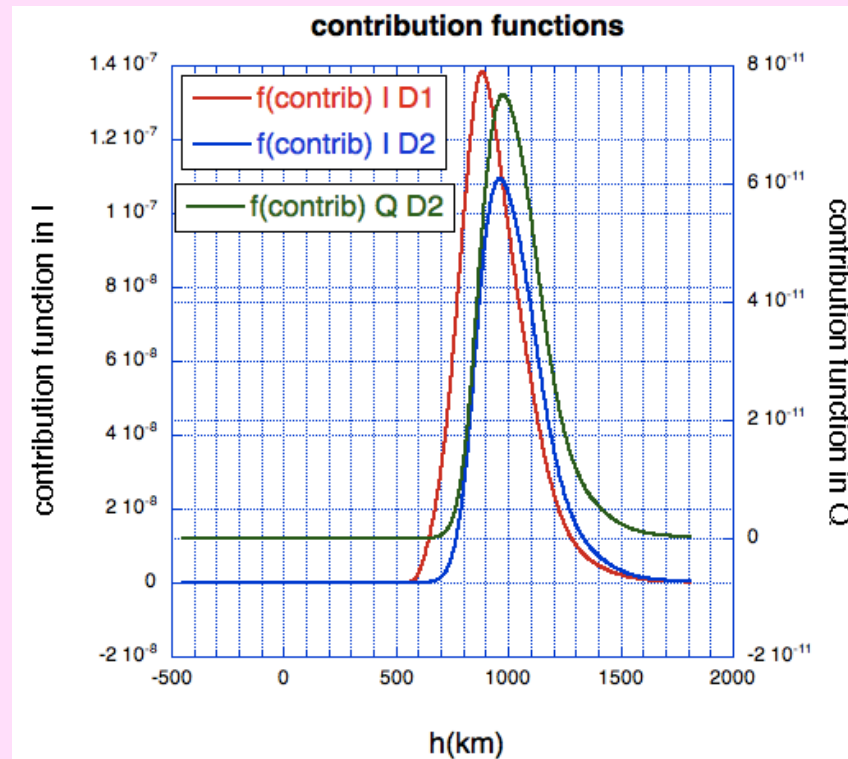
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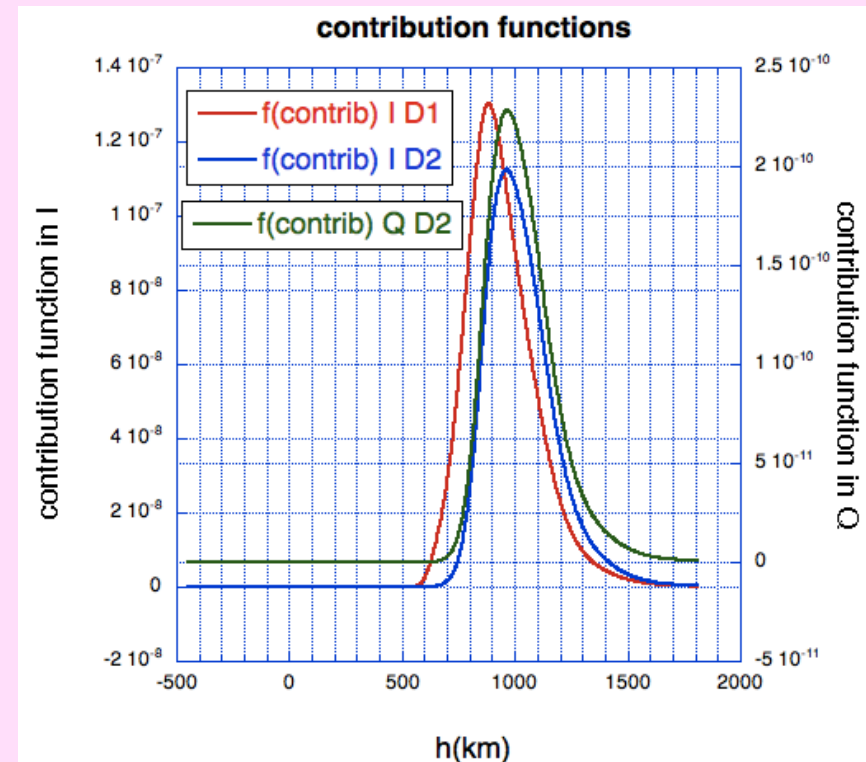


# Contribution Functions

at line center  
for a line-of-sight inclined at  $85^\circ$  (= 5" inside the limb)

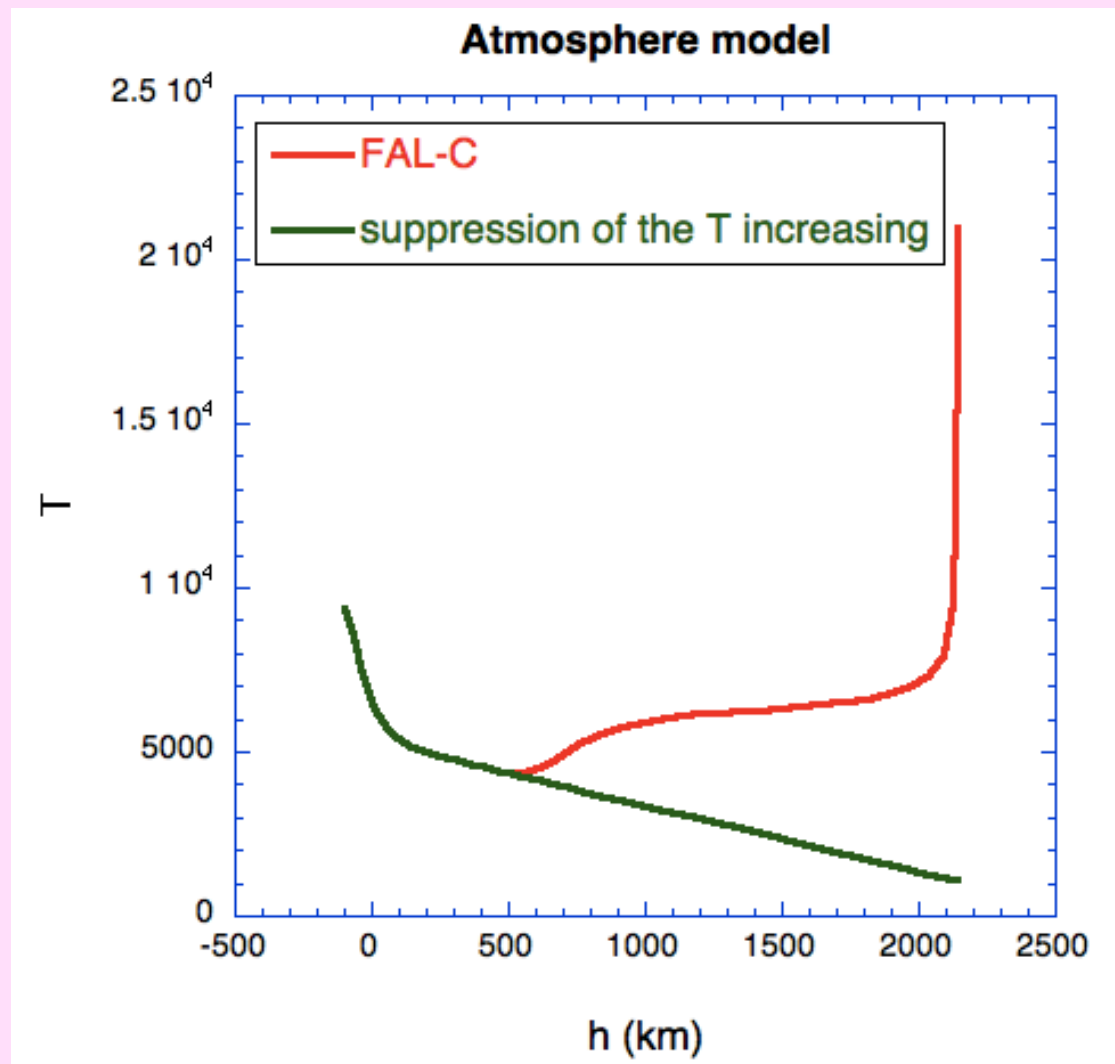


– no hyperfine structure  
– with PRD



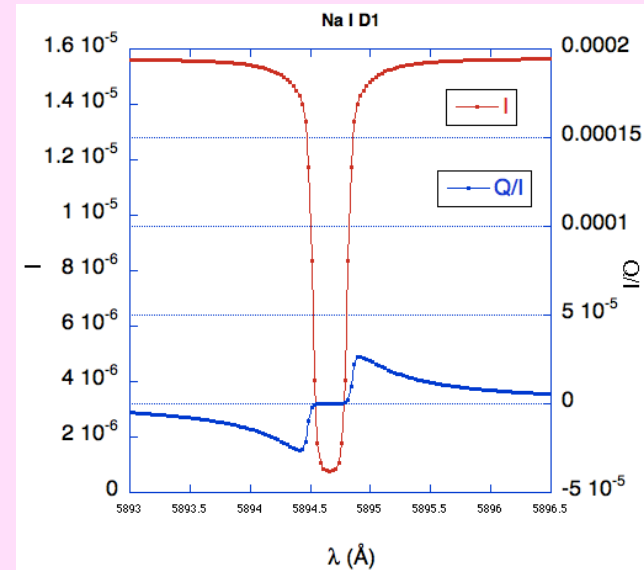
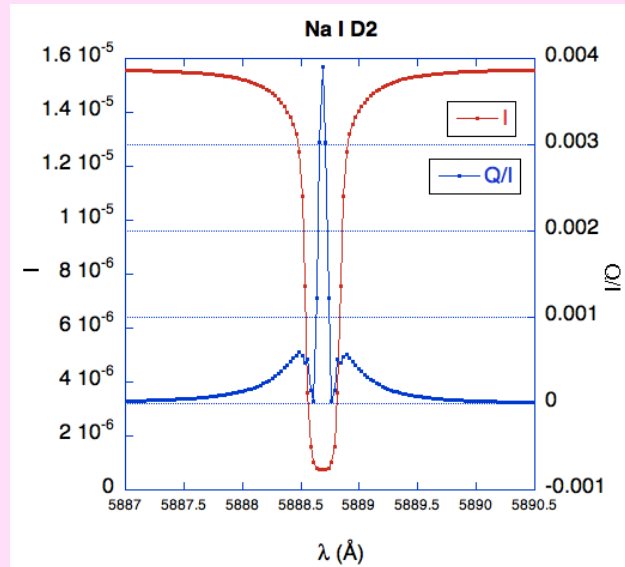
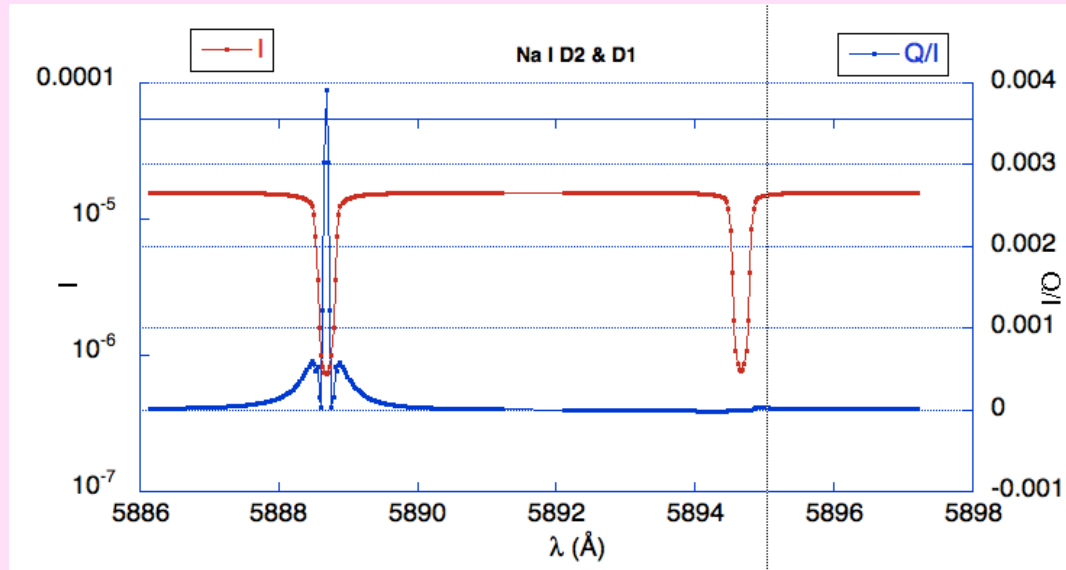
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# Atmosphere model



- no hyperfine structure
- no PRD, only CRD

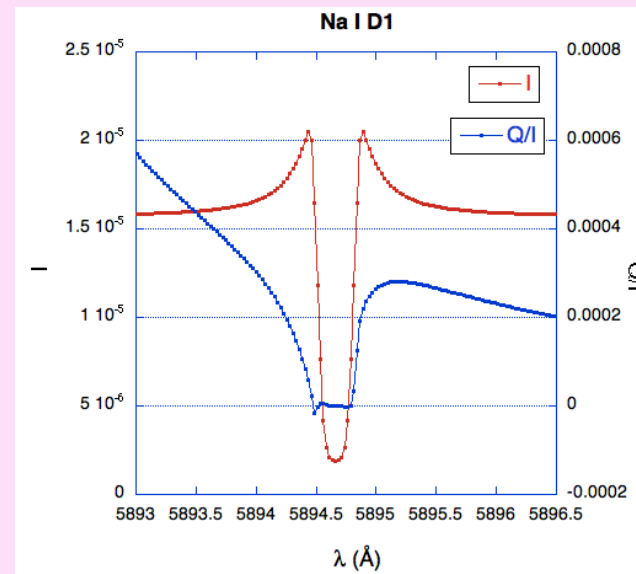
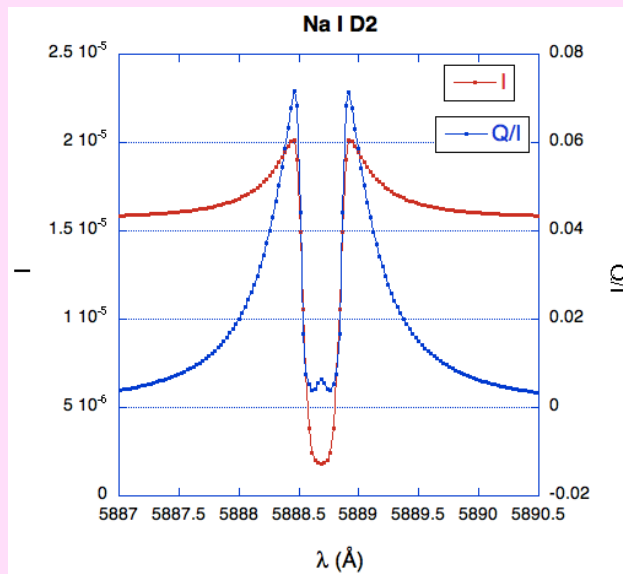
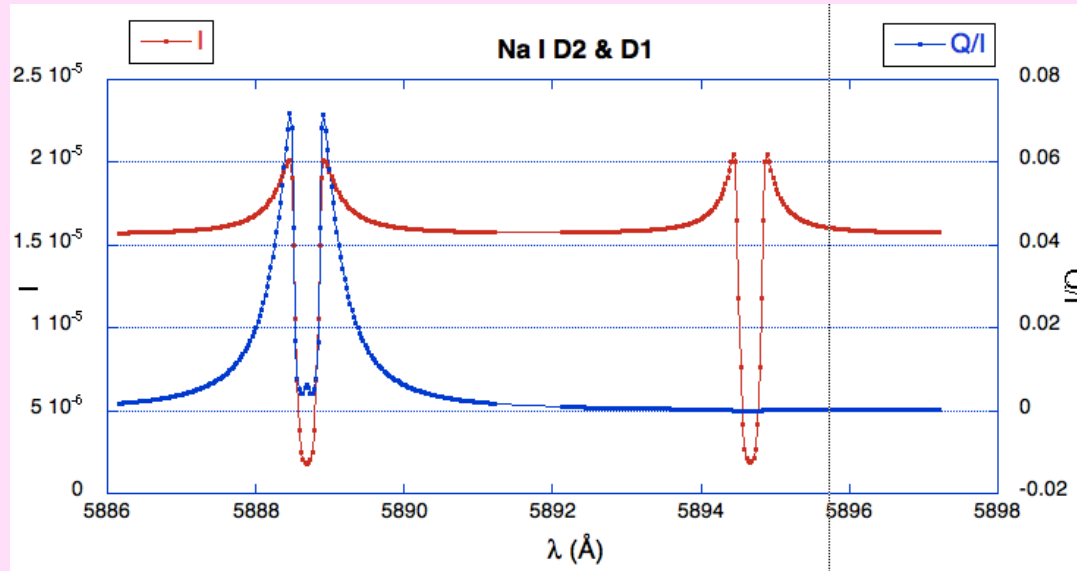
## Results





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# Results



## 2<sup>nd</sup> effect: new term at order-4 in the emissivity

$$\varepsilon =$$

$$\text{order-2 } \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \frac{\nu^3}{\nu_0^3} N \rho_{bb} A_{ba} \phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu)$$

$$\text{order-4 } + \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \frac{\nu^3}{\nu_0^3} N \rho_{aa} B_{ab} \int d\nu_1 J(\nu_1)$$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_0 - \nu) \frac{A_{ba}}{2} \Phi_a(\nu - \nu_1) \Phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu_1) \right]$$

$\Phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu_1)$ : complex profile of half-half-width  $\gamma_{ba}$

$\Phi_a(\nu - \nu_1)$ : complex profile of half-half-width the lower level  $a$  life-time

infinitely sharp lower level  $a$  :

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_{ba}^*(\nu_0 - \nu) \frac{A_{ba}}{2} \Phi_a(\nu - \nu_1) \Phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu_1) \right] = \frac{A_{ba}}{2\gamma_{ba}} \left\{ \underbrace{\delta(\nu - \nu_1) \phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu_1)}_{r_{II}} - \underbrace{\phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu) \phi_{ba}(\nu_0 - \nu_1)}_{r_{III}} \right\}$$

### The order-4 term in the emissivity:

- its integral over one or the other of the frequencies is zero
- it redistributes the frequencies inside the emission profile
- the result is a decoupling between atom and radiation

## 2-level atom: Redistribution Function

The analytical solution of the statistical equilibrium reported into the emissivity

$\Gamma_R$  : radiative inverse life-time

$\Gamma_I$  : inelastic collisions ( $b \leftrightarrow a$ ) inverse life-time

$\Gamma_E$  : elastic collisions (in  $b$ ) inverse life-time

$$\gamma_{ba} = \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + \Gamma_E)$$

$$\varepsilon = \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \frac{v^3}{v_0^3} N \rho_{aa} B_{ab} \int dv_1 J(v_1) \left\{ \frac{\Gamma_R}{\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + \Gamma_E} \underbrace{\delta(v - v_1) \phi_{ba}(v_0 - v_1)}_{r_{II}} + \frac{\Gamma_R}{\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I} \frac{\Gamma_E}{\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + \Gamma_E} \underbrace{\phi_{ba}(v_0 - v) \phi_{ba}(v_0 - v_1)}_{r_{III}} \right\}$$

with polarization:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{h\nu}{4\pi} \frac{v^3}{v_0^3} N \rho_{aa} B_{ab} \int dv_1 \oint \frac{d\vec{\Omega}_1}{4\pi} \sum_K [w_{JJ}^{(K)}]^2 \sum_{j=0}^3 [P_R^{(K)}(\vec{\Omega}, \vec{\Omega}_1)]_{ij} S_j(v_1, \vec{\Omega}_1) \quad \text{Rayleigh phase matrix}$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\Gamma_R}{\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + \Gamma_E} \underbrace{\delta(v - v_1) \phi_{ba}(v_0 - v_1)}_{r_{II}} + \frac{\Gamma_R}{\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + D^{(K)}} \frac{\Gamma_E - D^{(K)}}{\Gamma_R + \Gamma_I + \Gamma_E} \underbrace{\phi_{ba}(v_0 - v) \phi_{ba}(v_0 - v_1)}_{r_{III}} \right\}$$

The collision rates weight the contributions of the different redistribution types  
(coherent or complete)