INTERFEROMETRIC C¹⁸O OBSERVATIONS OF DR 21(OH) AND L1551 IRS 5 AT $\lambda = 1.4$ MILLIMETERS

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ABSTRACT

High-resolution (3") aperture synthesis maps in the $J=2\to 1$ transition of C¹⁸O have been obtained for the star formation regions DR 21(OH) and L1551 IRS 5. Two compact sources, separated by 7" (0.12 pc), have been discovered at the centers of H₂O maser activity associated with DR 21(OH). Mass estimates from the 1.4 mm continuum and C¹⁸O line emission are similar to the 110 M_{\odot} required for a bound system with the observed 4 km s⁻¹ radial velocity difference, suggesting that a massive multiple star system is forming. The C¹⁸O emission from L1551 IRS 5 is extended in an elongated structure of radius 700 AU and mass 0.1 M_{\odot} .

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I. INTRODUCTION

The construction of sensitive receivers operating in the 1 mm range (see Woody et al. 1989) for the 10.4 m Leighton telescopes of the Owens Valley Radio Observatory (OVRO) Millimeter-Wave Interferometer provides the first opportunity for aperture synthesis mapping at 1.4 mm. The improvement in resolution (a factor of 2 over the 2.7 mm band) and significant gain in sensitivity (for given spatial and spectral resolution) allow detailed spatial and kinematic studies. Here, we present the first $C^{18}O$ ($J=2\rightarrow 1$) aperture synthesis maps of the star-formation regions DR 21(OH) and L1551 IRS 5.

DR 21(OH) is an area of active star formation located 3' north of the H II region DR 21 (cf. Harvey et al. 1986). Maps at 50 and 100 μ m show an extended north-south ridge of dust emission with distinct peaks at DR 21 and DR 21(OH) (Harvey et al. 1986). The total infrared luminosity associated with DR 21(OH) is $5 \times 10^4 L_{\odot}$, assuming a distance of 3 kpc. The highresolution observations reported here were designed to resolve the spatial structure of the DR 21(OH) nebula and map the kinematics of the gas. L1551 IRS 5 is a heavily obscured, premain-sequence star of mass $\lesssim 2.5 M_{\odot}$ (Strom, Strom, and Vrba 1976) and luminosity $\sim 35 L_{\odot}$ (Emerson *et al.* 1984) at a distance of 160 pc. The detection of two oppositely directed streams of high-velocity molecular gas originating at the star has led to the suggestion that the circumstellar material may be distributed in a disk or toroid (Snell, Loren, and Plambeck 1980). High-resolution, 2.2 μ m images (Strom et al. 1985; Moneti et al. 1988) and recent aperture synthesis mapping of the C¹⁸O $J = 1 \rightarrow 0$ emission around IRS 5 (Sargent et al. 1988) indeed show a flattened, elongated structure with radius ~ 600 AU.

II. RESULTS

Observations in the C¹⁸O $J=2 \rightarrow 1$ line were acquired with the OVRO three-element Millimeter-Wave Array in 1988 March and April. The overall characteristics of the instrument and calibration of the data are described in Woody *et al.* (1989). Two configurations of the 10.4 m telescopes were used, giving a FWHM synthesized beam of 6.8 × 3.4 at PA 6° for DR 21(OH); the inclusion of a third configuration produced a

circular synthesized beam of diameter 3".3 (FWHM) for L1551 IRS 5. The field of view of the primary beam is 34" FWHM. The spectrometer consisted of two 32 channel filterbanks with resolutions of 1 MHz (1.3 km s⁻¹) and 50 kHz (0.65 km s⁻¹). The 1 MHz maps have noise levels of 0.7 Jy per beam (rms) for L1551 IRS 5 and 1 Jy per beam for DR 21(OH). Absolute values of the line fluxes are estimated to be uncertain by about 30%, and absolute positions are accurate to 0.2–0.3 of the synthesized beam size.

Strong C¹⁸O emission was detected from the two 1.4 mm continuum sources near DR 21(OH) (Woody et al. 1989). A map of the integrated line emission is displayed in Figure 1. The total observed flux is 162 Jy km s⁻¹. Although the individual sources are completely resolved only in the east-west direction, they are clearly separated by 7" (0.12 pc). The distributions of C¹⁸O and 1.4 mm continuum emission agree very well (see Woody et al. 1989). Maps at velocities between -6.9 and +1.1 km s⁻¹ are shown in Figure 2. Blueshifted emission is clearly associated with the northeastern continuum source MM 1, while redshifted emission arises to the southwest near MM 2. Weaker emission at intermediate velocities bridges the intervening region. The peak flux density, 12 Jy per beam (13 K brightness temperature), occurs at -1.0 km s⁻¹ and coincides with MM 2.

In L1551 the position of peak $C^{18}O$ intensity moves from south to north as velocity increases (Fig. 3), with the maximum 3.8 Jy per beam (brightness temperature 8.9 K) occurring at 7.0 km s⁻¹. In the map of integrated $C^{18}O$ intensity (Fig. 3d), the overall morphology is dominated by emission close to 7.0 km s⁻¹ and centered on the unresolved, 1.4 mm continuum peak (Woody et al. 1989). The integrated emission is, for the most part, elongated along PA $\sim 140^{\circ}$ and unresolved in the orthogonal direction. The radius of this elongated structure is about 700 AU, and the total observed flux is 29.1 Jy km s⁻¹. Within the uncertainties, the 1.4 mm line and continuum maxima are spatially coincident with two 2 cm compact continuum sources (Bieging and Cohen 1985; Rodríguez et al. 1986).

III. DISCUSSION

Figure 1 summarizes the phenomena observed in the DR 21(OH) region. The two 1.4 mm peaks and the H₂O maser



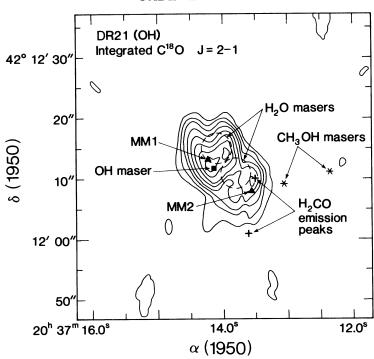


Fig. 1.—The C¹⁸O emission integrated over the velocity range of Fig. 2. Contours are in steps of 5 Jy beam km s⁻¹, with maximum 43 Jy per beam km s⁻¹. Positions of the OH (Norris *et al.* 1982), H₂O (Genzel and Downes 1977), and CH₃OH (Batrla and Menten 1988) masers and the H₂CO (Johnston, Henkel, and Wilson 1984) and 1.4 mm continuum peaks are indicated. Positional uncertainties are indicated by the sizes of dashed circles (H₂O masers) and crosses (H₂CO reaks)

emission centers (Genzel and Downes 1977) coincide; MM 1 also coincides with the OH maser (Norris et al. 1982). MM 2 corresponds to one of the high-density H₂CO regions (Johnston, Henkel, and Wilson 1984).

The total mass of gas, $M_{\rm H_2+He}$, in the two sources in DR 21(OH) can be estimated from both the continuum and C¹⁸O emission. Modifying the expressions given by Sargent *et al.* (1988) for the J=1-0 transition, the mass can be determined from the C¹⁸O $J=2\rightarrow 1$ observations through

$$\begin{split} M_{\rm H_2+He} &= 1.0 \times 10^3 D^2 \, \frac{(T_{\rm ex} + 0.22)}{e^{-(15.81/T_{\rm ex})}} \frac{(2 \times 10^{-7})}{\rm X_{18}} \, \frac{\tau_{18}}{1 - e^{-\tau_{18}}} \\ &\times \int S_{\rm v} \, dv \, \, M_{\odot} \; , \end{split}$$

where X_{18} is the C¹⁸O abundance ratio and the integrated line flux density is in Jy km s⁻¹. For optically thin emission, with $X_{18} = 2 \times 10^{-7}$ and $T_{ex} = 50$ K, the mass for MM 1 and MM 2 is 100 M_{\odot} , consistent with the 125 M_{\odot} derived from the continuum observations (Woody et al. 1989).

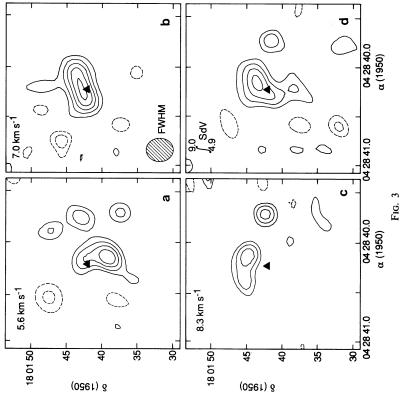
The spatial associations of MM 1 and MM 2 with masers and infrared continuum emission suggest that current star formation activity in DR 21(OH) is taking place at these two distinct centers. Their physical separation, 0.12 pc on the sky, is sufficiently small to indicate that they may be gravitationally bound to each other. The minimum mass required by the observed 4 km s⁻¹ velocity difference is 110 M_{\odot} , comparable to our estimates. MM 1 and MM 2 could be viewed as a proto-binary star system involving sufficiently massive components, $\approx 15~M_{\odot}$, to produce the observed IR luminosity. However, at a distance of DR 21(OH) our observations encompass an area comparable to that subtended by the Trapezium stars in Orion, and many stars may be present. For a

normal Salpeter IMF with a 0.1 M_{\odot} lower limit, the 1500 M_{\odot} in stars necessary to produce the observed 5 × 10⁴ L_{\odot} vastly exceeds virial mass estimates for the region. To achieve the observed luminosity with \leq 100 M_{\odot} of stars, the IMF lower mass limit must be raised to \sim 6 M_{\odot} , where the stellar mass to luminosity ratio is approximately the same as that observed, $M_{\rm Virial}/L_{\rm IR}=1/500~M_{\odot}/L_{\odot}$.

The integrated $C^{18}O$ (2 \rightarrow 1) emission from L1551 IRS 5 (Fig. 3d) is similar to that observed in $C^{18}O(1 \rightarrow 0)$ (Sargent et al. 1988). Both features are extended over 1400 AU along PA 140°, perpendicular to the CO outflow axis (Snell, Loren, and Plambeck 1979), and are unresolved in the orthogonal direction. Again assuming $T_{\rm ex} = 50$ K and optically thin emission, the C¹⁸O (2 \rightarrow 1) observations give a mass of 0.04 M_{\odot} , in good agreement with the 1.4 mm continuum and 2.7 mm line observations (Woody et al. 1989; Sargent et al. 1988). Observations in the optically thick CO $(1 \rightarrow 0)$ line (Moriarty-Schieven et al. 1987) show blueshifted molecular gas, at velocities of 3-5 km s⁻¹, south of IRS 5 and a redshifted component, at velocities of 8-9 km s⁻¹, to the north. Gas at these low velocities is presumably not part of the outflow but rather defines the walls of the cavity constraining the high-velocity gas motions. Thus, the outflow must be collimated within a few arcseconds of the star, as also suggested by radio continuum jets and optical observations (Mundt and Fried 1983; Snell et al. 1985).

IV. CONCLUSIONS

Aperture synthesis mapping in the C¹⁸O $J=2 \rightarrow 1$ line has revealed that the continuum sources, MM 1 and MM 2, in DR 21(OH) are separated in velocity by ~ 4 km s⁻¹. The mass required to bind such a system, 110 M_{\odot} , is compatible with masses derived from the 1.4 mm continuum and C¹⁸O observations. The MM 1/MM 2 system may represent a proto-



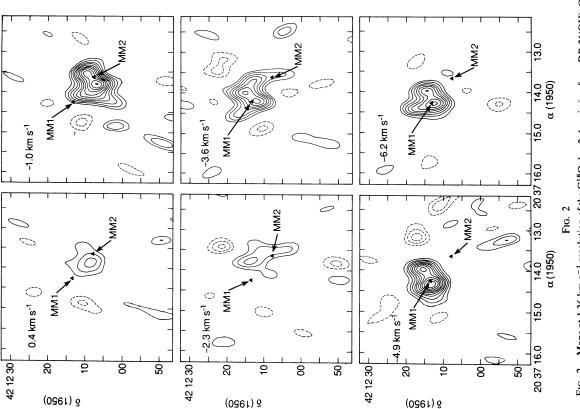


Fig. 2.—Maps at 1.36 km s⁻¹ resolution of the C¹⁸O J = 2–1 emission from DR 21(OH). Contours are in steps of 1 Jy per beam, starting at 2 Jy per beam. Triangles show the positions of the 1.4 mm dust continuum sources, MM 1 and MM 2 (Woody et al. 1989). Due to limited UV coverage, the northwest extension is highly uncertain.

Fig. 3.—Maps of the C¹⁸O J = 2–1 emission from L1551 IRS 5. Contour levels for the separate velocity maps (a)+(c) are 0.6 Jy/beam, beginning at 1.2 Jy/beam. For the integrated emission (a), contours are spaced by 0.5 Jy per beam km s⁻¹ beginning at 1.0 Jy per beam km s⁻¹. A triangle marks the position of the 2 cm continuum sources.

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binary or multiple star system. In L1551 IRS 5 an elongated structure of radius 700 AU oriented SE-NW, perpendicular to the outflow axis, is detected at the central velocity.

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