Emissivity vs density, temperature

• Recombination line, O III forbidden lines

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Two level atom AGN3 Sec 3.5

- Excitation, deexcitation rates
- Transition probabilities
- Critical density
- **◆** Two limits
 - Low densities, every excitation leads to emission of a photon
 - high densities, levels are n LTE, photon emission proportional to n_u A_{ul}

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Recombination lines

- ♦ $H^+ + e$ → H^{0*} → H^0 + photons
- ◆ Critical densities of H I, He I, and He II optical lines are very high, n > 1e15 cm⁻³, so they are usually in LDL
- Emissivity goes as n²

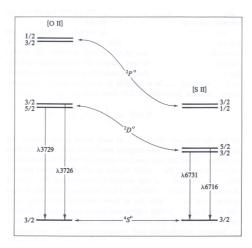
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Forbidden lines

- **♦** [O III]
- O⁺⁺ + e → O^{++*} → O⁺⁺ + photons
- ◆ Critical densities of many forbidden lines n
 ~ 1e3 cm⁻³, so they can be in LDL or HDH
- Emissivity goes as n² or n

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Density indicators



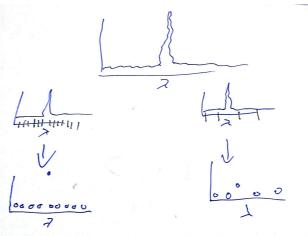
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Inward vs total emission

- "Inwd" label for line
- Inward/outward emission computed on second and later iterations
 - Iterate to convergence
 - Print last

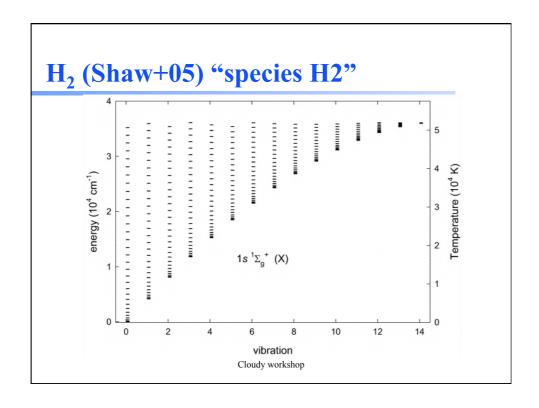
Line to continuum contrast

- ◆ Hazy 1, sec 19.14.44
 - Line to continuum contrast in save continuum



Databases in Cloudy

- Stout (atoms & low ionization)
- Chianti (higher ionization)
- LAMDA (heavy-element molecules)



Controlling model atoms

- Series of SPECIES XXX commands
- Compare exec time species limit vs small

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