

THE CHESS SURVEY OF THE L1157-B1 BOW-SHOCK: DISSECTING THE WATER CONTENT

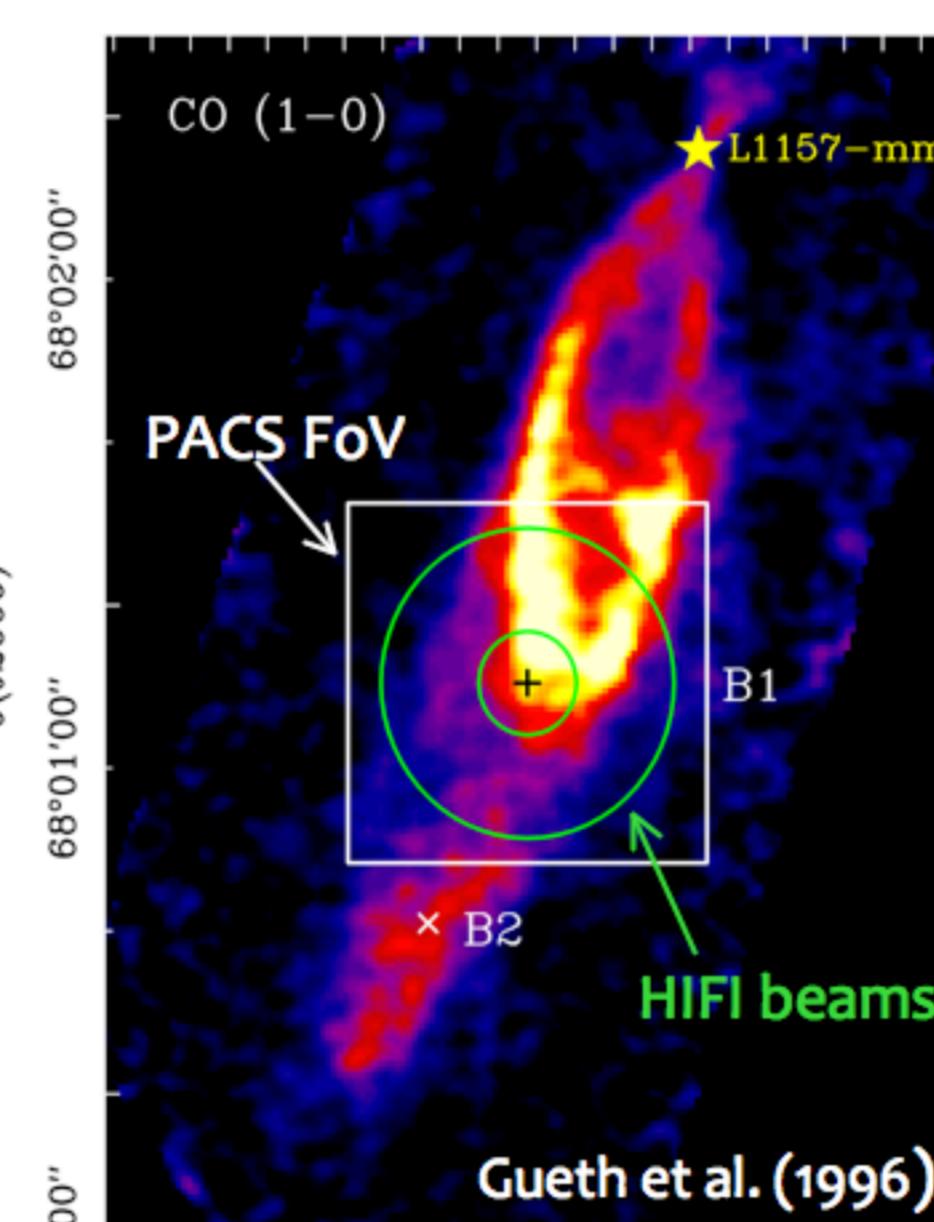
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CONTEXT: Molecular outflows powered by young protostars strongly affect the kinematics and chemistry of the natal molecular cloud through strong shocks, resulting in an increase of the abundance of several species. In particular, water is a powerful tracer of shocked material due to its sensitivity to both physical conditions and chemical processes.

AIMS: As part of the “Chemical Herschel Survey of Star-forming regions” (CHESS) key program, we aim at investigating the physical and chemical conditions of H₂O in the brightest shock region B1 of the L1157 molecular outflow.

OBSERVATIONS

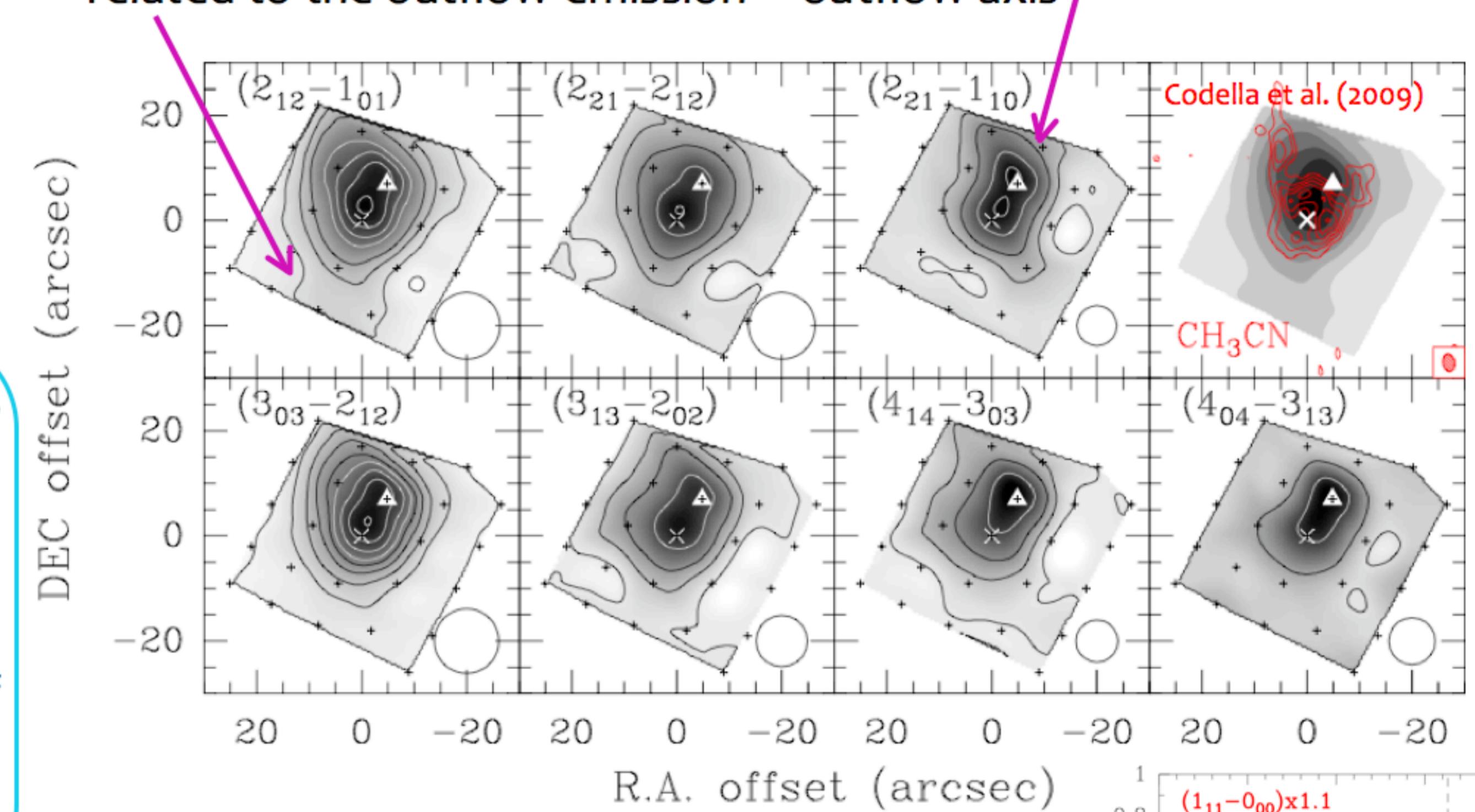
PACS and HIFI instruments on board of *Herschel* have been used to observe several o-H₂O and p-H₂O transitions providing a detailed picture of the kinematics and spatial distribution of the gas. We have detected 13 H₂O lines with $E_u = 26.7\text{--}319.5 \text{ K}$



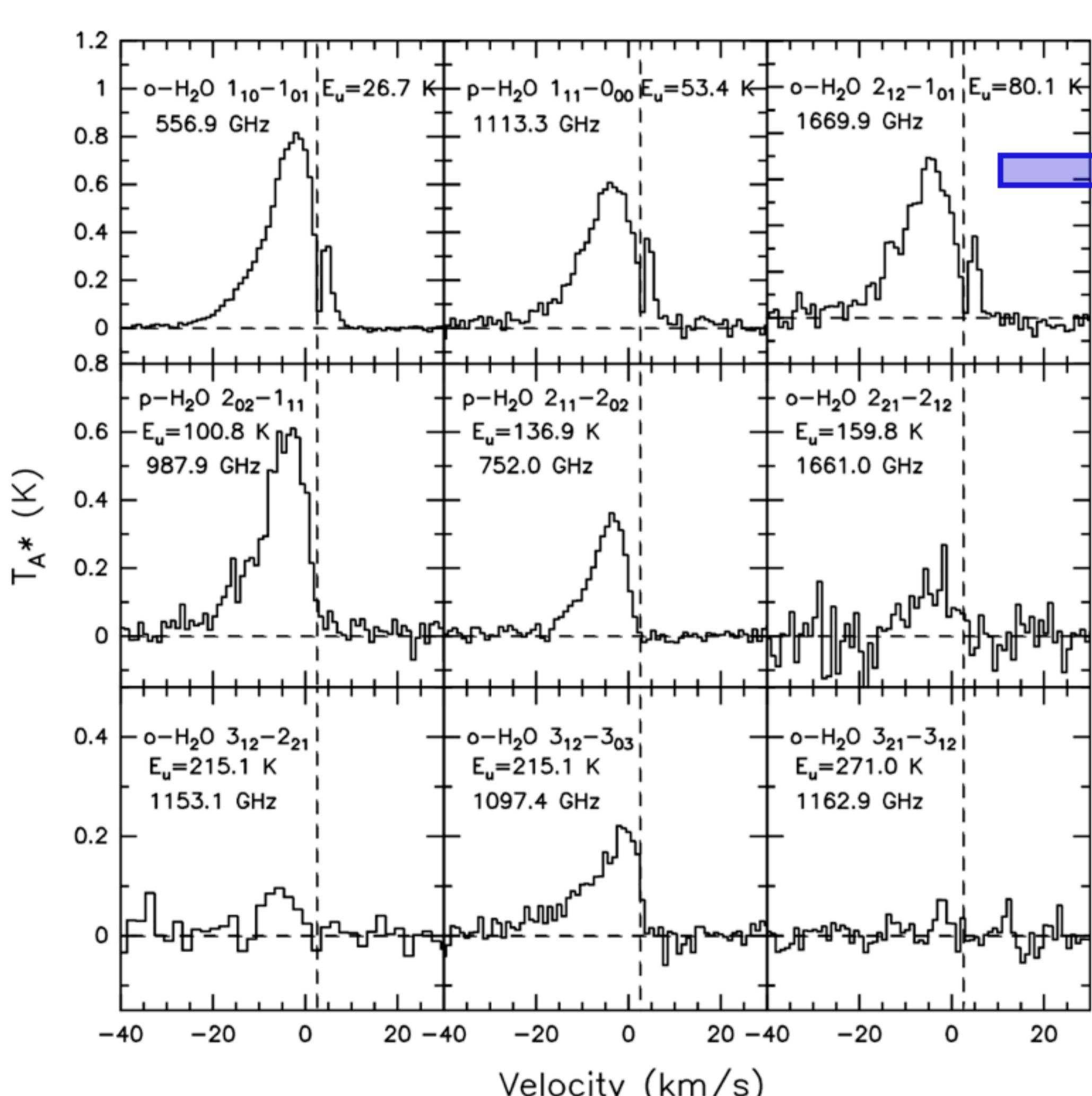
SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION FROM PACS

Two regions appear to contribute to the PACS water emission:

- a) Extended plateau of low H₂O brightness downstream of B1 related to the outflow emission
- b) Compact (10'') bright region elongated along the major outflow axis

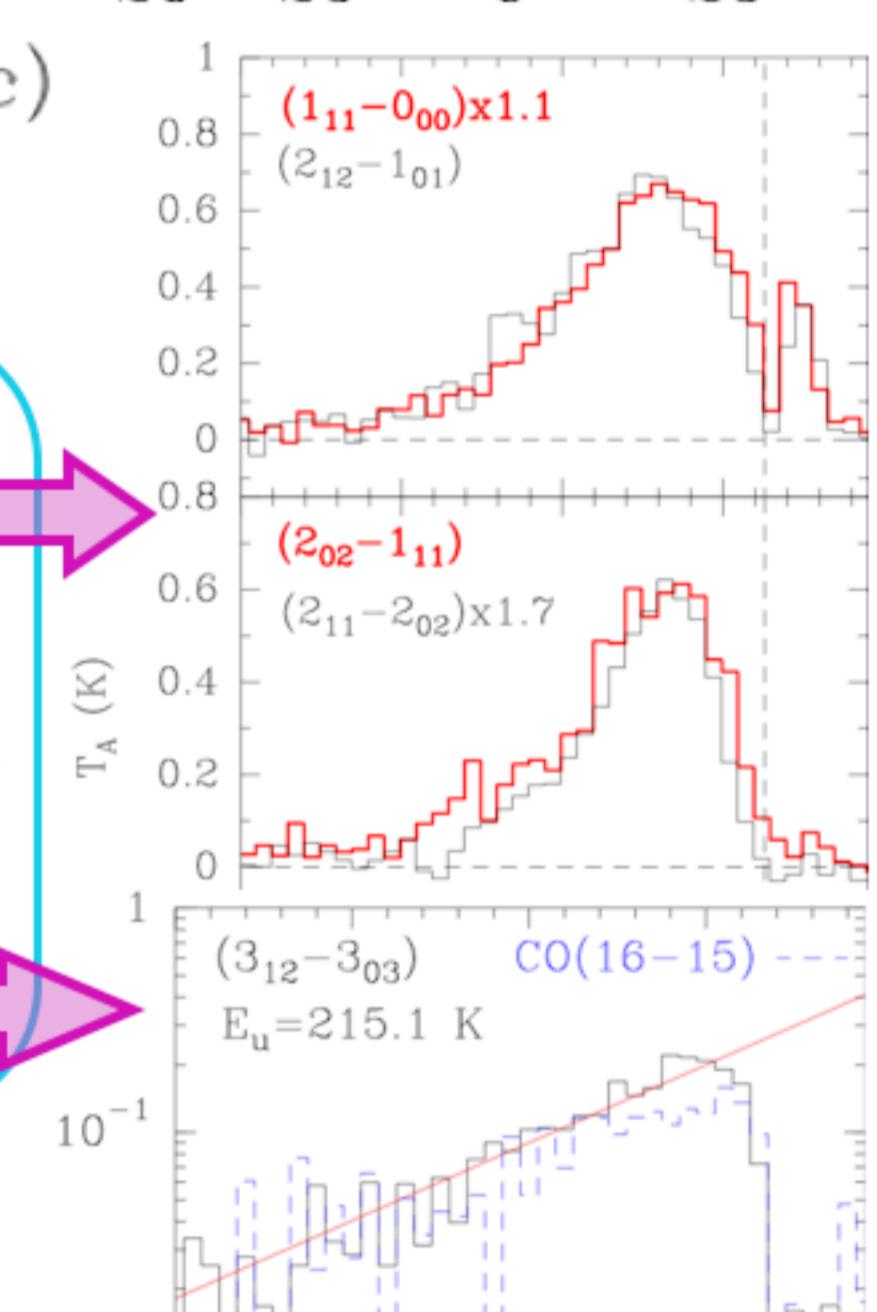


LINE PROFILES FROM HIFI

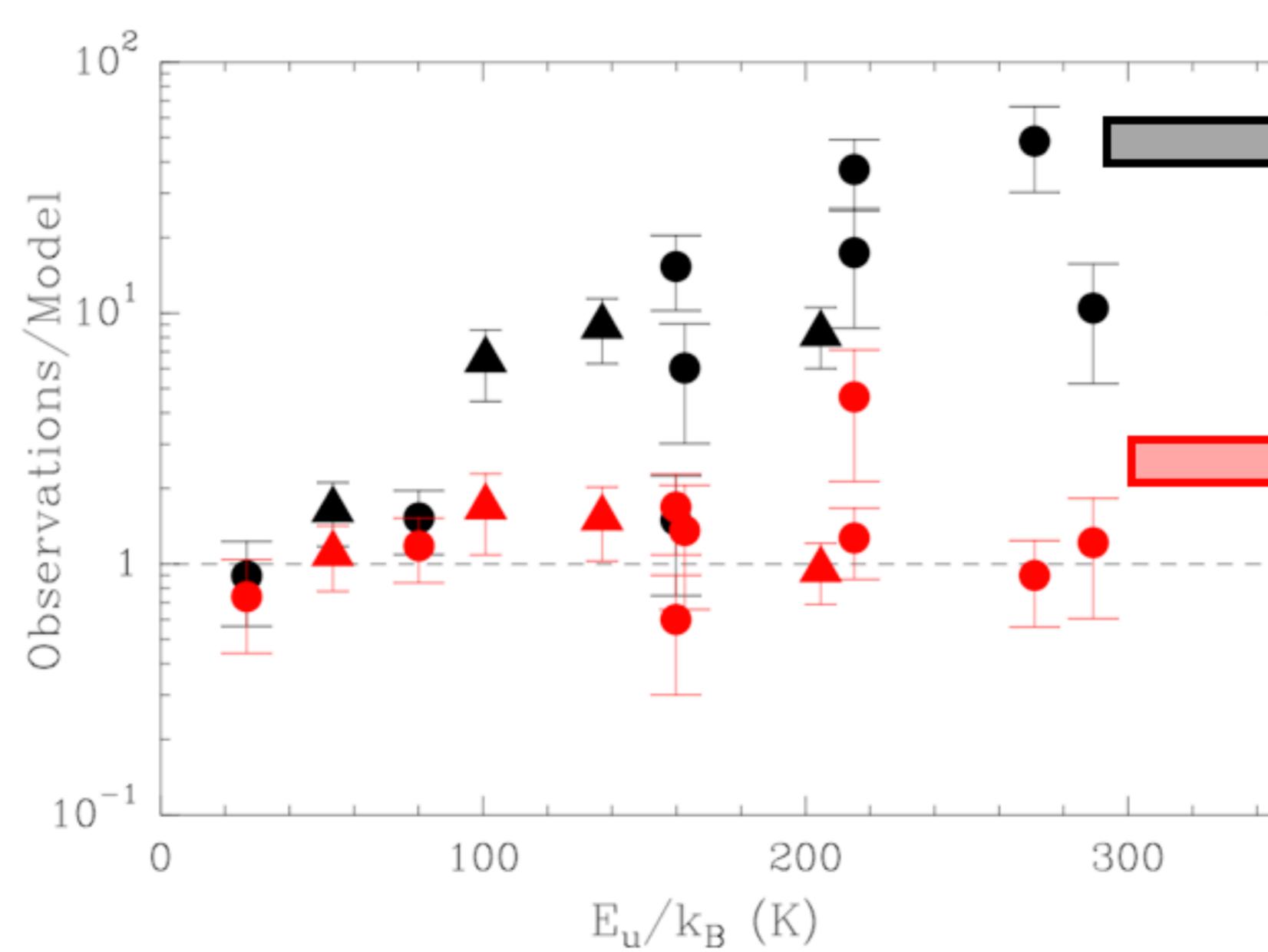


Narrow dip at the cloud velocity in the 3 transitions that connect with the ground state level. The absorption arises from a **water-rich layer at the surface of the cloud** formed as result of **water ice photodesorption** driven by the external UV illumination

- Excellent match between 2₁₁-2₀₁ and 2₀₂-1₁₁ and between 1₁₁-0₀₀ and 2₁₂-2₀₂, defining two groups of water lines, each of them following a specific pattern.
- o-H₂O (3₁₂-3₀₃) shows the same spectral signature, g1, of CO emission (Lefloch et al. 2012). The g1-shock component is characterized by gas at 250 K, and it is associated with the partly dissociative shock (Benedettini et al. 2012)



SHOCK EMISSION: A TWO TEMPERATURE MODEL

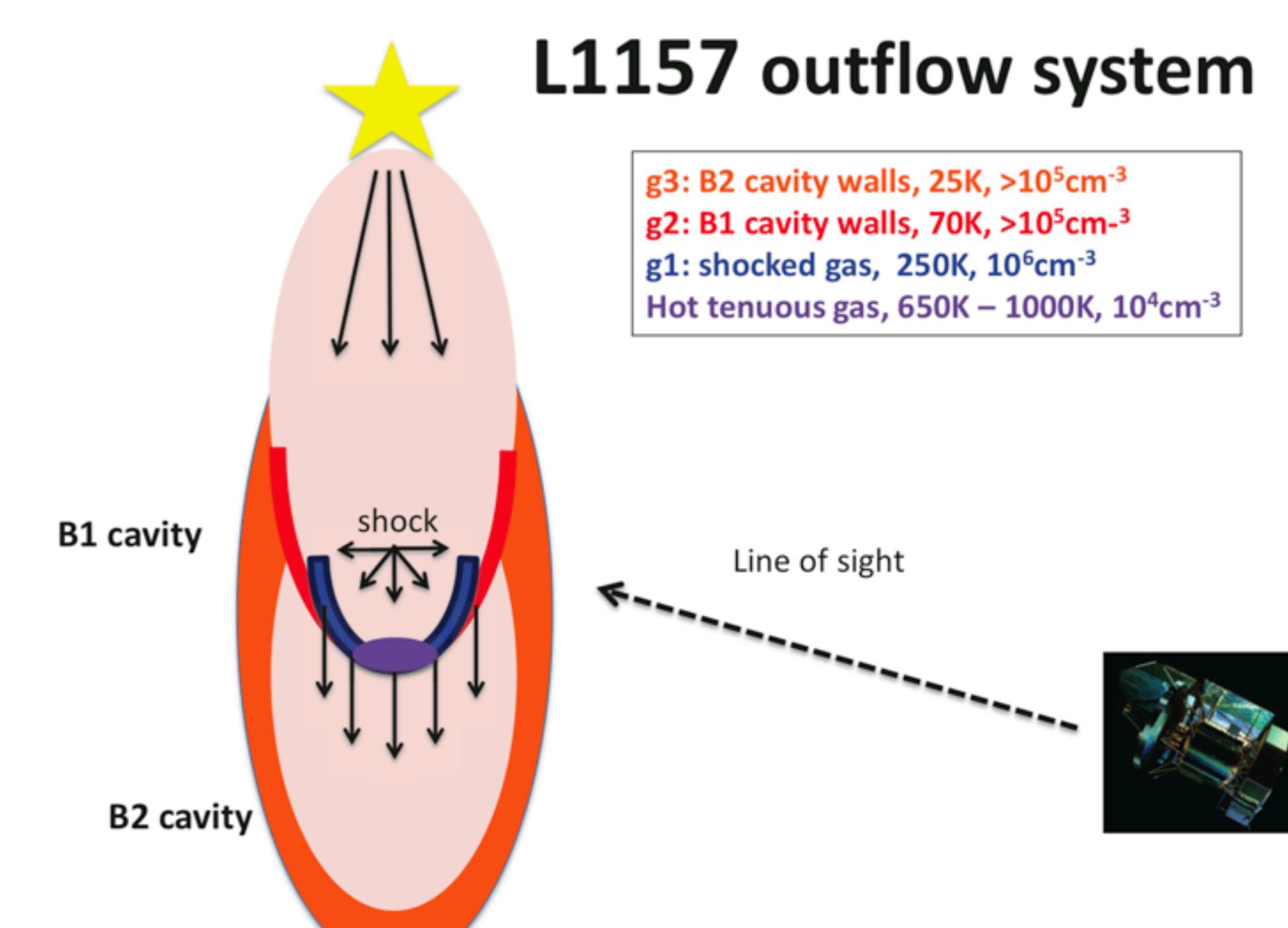


One single temperature component does not reproduce simultaneously all line in the HIFI and PACS range

Second gas component at much higher temperature is needed to reproduce the flux of of higher E_u transitions

3D RECONSTRUCTION

L1157 outflow system



g3: B2 cavity walls, 25K, >10⁵cm⁻³
 g2: B1 cavity walls, 70K, >10⁵cm⁻³
 g1: shocked gas, 250K, 10⁶cm⁻³
 Hot tenuous gas, 650K – 1000K, 10⁴cm⁻³

H₂O COOLING

Warm: $1.5 \times 10^{-19} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ → Consistent with the value predicted in the **molecular reformation zone for a J-type shock** (Flower & Pineau Des Forets 2010)

Hot: $2 \times 10^{-16} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ → Several orders of magnitude higher than the predictions for a C-type (MHD) shock, favoring a J-type shock origin