

## 14 – LINES I

Let  $\ell_\nu = \ell_\nu^{thermal} + \ell_\nu^{scattering}$  be the extinction coefficient in lines. Then the Eq of T becomes

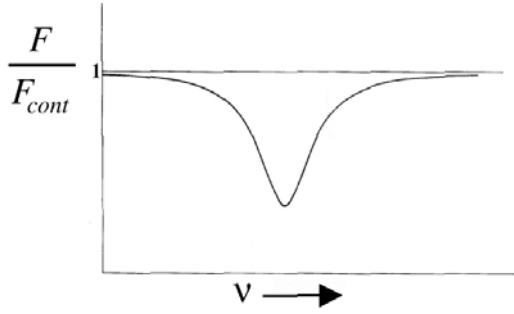
$$\frac{\mu}{\rho} \frac{dI_\nu}{dz} = j_\nu - k_\nu I_\nu = \sigma_\nu J_\nu + \kappa_\nu B_\nu + \ell_\nu^{sc} J_\nu + \ell_\nu^{th} B_\nu - (\sigma_\nu + \kappa_\nu + \ell_\nu) I_\nu$$

After considerable (and unglamorous) manipulation, it can be shown that at the surface, the emergent flux and specific intensity can be described approximately by:

$$\frac{F_\nu(0)}{F_c(0)} = \frac{\left( \frac{1}{1+\eta_\nu} + \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{3\lambda_\nu} \right) (1 + \sqrt{1-\rho})}{\left( 1 + \frac{4}{9} \sqrt{3(1-\rho)} \right) (1 + \sqrt{\lambda_\nu})}$$

$$\frac{I_\nu(0, \mu)}{I_c(0, \mu)} = \frac{\frac{4}{9} + \frac{\mu}{1+\eta_\nu} + \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3(1+\eta_\nu)}} - \frac{4}{9} \right) (1 - \lambda_\nu)}{\left( 1 + \sqrt{\lambda_\nu} \right) (1 + \sqrt{3\lambda_\nu} \mu)}$$

$$\frac{I_\nu(0, \mu)}{I_c(0, \mu)} = \frac{\frac{4}{9} + \mu + \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{4}{9} \right) \rho}{\left( 1 + \sqrt{1-\rho} \right) (1 + \sqrt{3(1-\rho)} \mu)}}{\frac{4}{9} + \mu + \frac{\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{4}{9} \right) \rho}{\left( 1 + \sqrt{1-\rho} \right) (1 + \sqrt{3(1-\rho)} \mu)}}$$



Where the subscript “c” refers to the continuum, and

$\eta_\nu = \frac{\ell_\nu}{\kappa + \sigma}$ ,  $\rho = \frac{\sigma}{\sigma + \kappa}$ ,  $\lambda_\nu = \frac{1 - \rho + \varepsilon \eta_\nu}{1 + \eta_\nu}$  and  $\varepsilon$  is the fraction of upward transitions that lead to “thermal” (as opposed to “scattering”) downward transitions:

$$\ell_\nu^{th} = \varepsilon \ell_\nu \quad \ell_\nu^{sc} = (1 - \varepsilon) \ell_\nu$$

(To get to this point requires the use of the Eddington Approximation  $J_\nu = 3K_\nu$  and assumes you can represent the Planck function as  $B_\nu(T) = a_\nu + b_\nu \tau_\nu$ .)

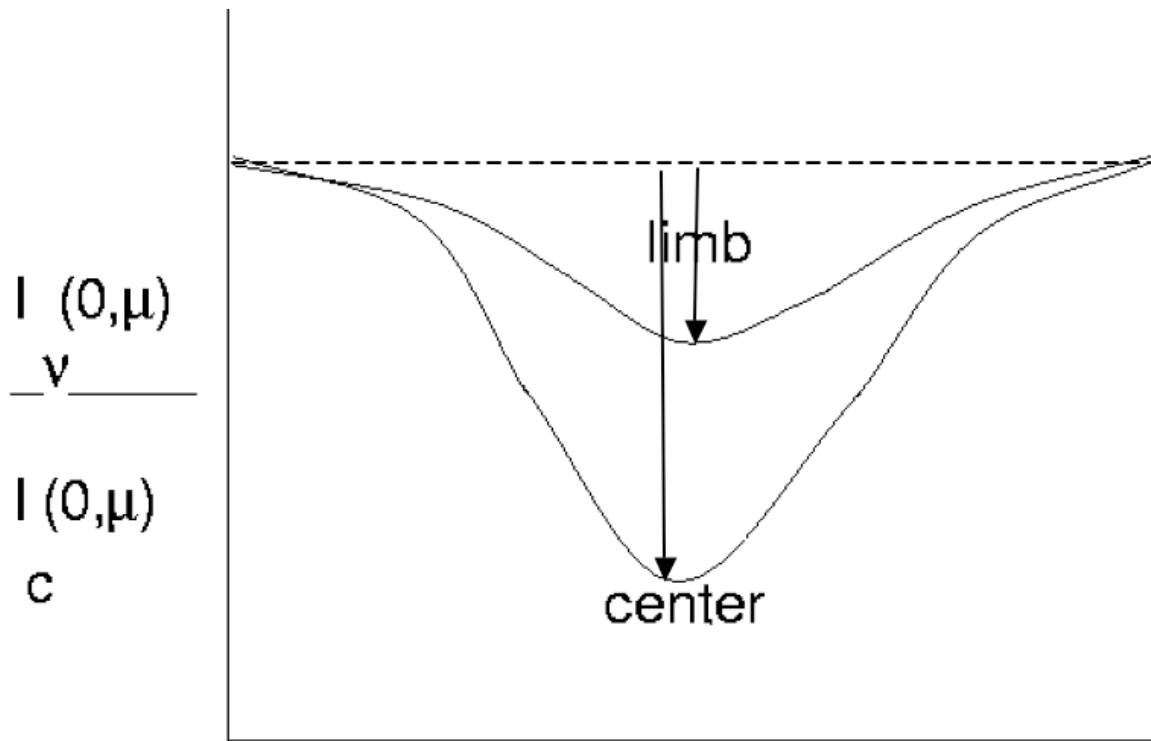
There are 4 “ideal” cases:

### CONTINUUM

		<i>No Scattering</i> ( $\rho = 0$ )	<i>Pure Scattering</i> ( $\rho = 1$ )
L I N E	<i>No Scattering</i> ( $\varepsilon = 1$ )	Case B $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \rho = 0 \\ \varepsilon = 1 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda_\nu = 1$	Case D $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \rho = 1 \\ \varepsilon = 1 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda_\nu = \frac{\eta_\nu}{1 + \eta_\nu}$
	<i>Pure Scattering</i> ( $\varepsilon = 0$ )	Case A $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \rho = 0 \\ \varepsilon = 0 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda_\nu = \frac{1}{1 + \eta_\nu}$	Case C $\left\{ \begin{matrix} \rho = 1 \\ \varepsilon = 0 \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow \lambda_\nu = 0$

Case A – Thermal Continuum and Scattering Line

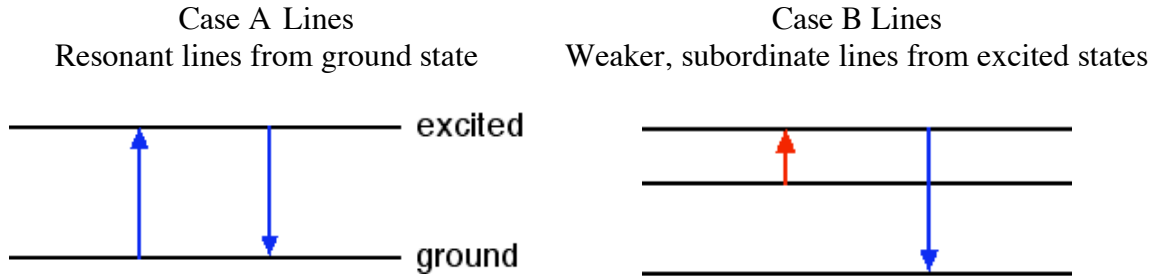
$\eta_v \setminus \mu$	$\frac{I_v(0, \mu)}{I_c(0, \mu)}$			$\frac{F_v(0)}{F_c(0)}$
	$l$	$1/2$	$0$	
$0$	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
$1/10$	0.94	0.95	1.01	0.95
$1$	0.64	0.71	0.90	0.69
$10$	0.25	0.29	0.38	0.28
$100$	0.08	0.09	0.11	0.09
$\infty$	0	0	0	0



Case B – Thermal Continuum and Thermal Line

$\eta_v \setminus \mu$	$1$	$\frac{I_v(0, \mu)}{I_c(0, \mu)}$ $1/2$	$0$	$\frac{F_v(0)}{F_c(0)}$
$0$	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
$1/10$	0.94	0.95	1.00	0.95
$1$	0.65	0.74	1.00	0.72
$10$	0.37	0.52	1.00	0.49
$100$	0.31	0.48	1.00	0.44
$\infty$	0.31	0.47	1.00	0.43

**Cases A and B  $\Rightarrow$  Continuum is Thermal**



Example: The Na I “D” lines are resonant lines, and are very deep in the solar spectrum.

Case C Scattering Continuum ( $\rho = 1$ ) and Scattering Lines ( $\varepsilon = 0$ )  $\Rightarrow \lambda_v = 0$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{I_v(0, \mu)}{I_c(0, \mu)} \\ \frac{F_v(0)}{F_c(0)} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow = \frac{1}{1 + \eta_v}$$

Get a net line due to greater scattering in the line than in the continuum, but deep in the atmosphere the model must break down. It also contains some self-inconsistencies, since to get this it had to be assumed that  $J_v = B_v$  as  $\tau_v \rightarrow \infty$  and  $B \propto T^4$  (i.e. *thermal* conditions) to get to this point.

Case D Scattering Continuum ( $\rho = 1$ ) and Thermal Lines ( $\varepsilon = 1$ )  $\Rightarrow \lambda_v = \frac{\eta_v}{1 + \eta_v}$

$\eta_v \setminus \mu$	$\frac{I_v(0, \mu)}{I_c(0, \mu)}$			$\frac{F_v(0)}{F_c(0)}$
	$1$	$1/2$	$0$	
$0$	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
$1/10$	0.88		0.87	0.88
$1$	0.59		0.69	0.61
$10$	0.34		0.74	0.42
$100$	0.29		0.77	0.39
$\infty$	0.28		0.77	0.38

Here, the line can actually go into emission at the limb. It depends on the ratio  $a/b$  in  $B_v(T) = a_v + b_v \tau_v$ .

