The interstellar medium local to HD 10125 (O9.7 II)

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1. Introduction

The structure and dynamics of the interstellar medium (ISM) are strongly affected by the action of massive stars. They deposit in the ISM a huge number of ionizing photons and transfer to it vast amounts of mechanical energy via their powerful stellar winds. As a consequence, massive stars create what is known as an *interstellar bubble*, *i.e.*, a minimum in the gas distribution characterized by a low volume density and a high temperature, surrounded by an expanding envelope (Weaver *et al.* 1977). The star should be seen projected onto, or close to, the centre of the H I minimum.

Observationally, one possible way to study this interaction is by analyzing the H_I and H_{II} gas distribution in the environment of these stars. The radiation emitted by hot, massive stars can be absorbed by the interstellar dust which is heated, so an analysis of the infrared emission is also useful.

Using the Canadian Galactic Plane Survey (CGPS) database (Taylor 2001), IRAS-HIRES data and single-dish continuum surveys at 2695 MHz and 4850 MHz, we analyzed the ISM local to the Galactic O-type star HD 10125. This star is classified as O9.5 Ib by Münch (1957) and as O9.7 II by Walborn (1971), and is located at $(l,b) = (128^{\circ}.29, +1^{\circ}.82)$. Its distance determinations range from 2.7 to 3.4 kpc and its proper motion amounts to $(\mu_{\alpha}, \mu_{\delta}) = (4\pm 1.6, 1.8\pm 1.6)$ mas yr⁻¹ (Tycho-2 Catalogue).

2. Results

From the 21cm line data, an H_I minimum of about 18 pc in diameter is found in the velocity range -27 to -32 km s⁻¹ (Figure 1). Although HD 10125 is not at the centre of the H_I cavity, its eccentric position can easily be explained by considering the stellar proper motion. An arc-like structure is found in all

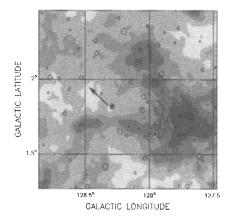


Figure 1. 6.0 K radio-continuum contour at 1420 MHz superposed on the average H I emission (grey-scale). The star symbol indicates the optical position of HD 10125 and the arrow the direction of its proper motion.

the radio continuum data. This structure has an excellent correlation with the observed H I feature (see Figure 1). The radio continuum emission has a spectral index $\alpha = 0.0 \pm 0.1 \ (S_{\nu} \propto \nu^{\alpha})$, suggesting a thermal nature for the source.

Based on the 60 and $100 \,\mu\mathrm{m}$ IRAS-HIRES data a dust temperature image tracing the heated dust is obtained. We found a maximum dust temperature of 33 K in the area where the continuum emission peaks.

From the H I data, we derive a kinematical distance of $\sim 3\,\mathrm{kpc}$ which is in good agreement with the catalogued distances. This distance was assumed in order to derived the H I, infrared and radio continuum parameteres of the different structures. We conclude that all found features are physically related to each other. The O-type star has enough energetic photons to both ionize the surrounding gas and heat up the dust and, through its powerful wind, also sweep up the H I and H II gas.

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