Molecular emission around low-mass protostars in the Serpens Main with IRAM 30m

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ABSTRACT

Context. The Serpens Main is one of the most studied star forming region containing low-mass protostars. Observations at submillimetre range allow to determine physical and chemical processes around young stellar objects.

Aims. We aim to characterise low-mass protostars' surroundings by analysing the spatial emission of HCN, CN, CS and their isotopologues. This way we can investigate the feedback from protostars and the excitation mechanism of molecules.

Methods. We present 29 arcmin² maps of CN(1-0), HCN(1-0), and CS(3-2) covering the envelope and outflows toward a sample of 13 low-mass protostars using IRAM-30m single dish submillimeter telescope. We obtained spectra of 13 on-source and outflows positions in order to compute HCN(1-0) and CN(1-0) column densities around low-mass protostars. Radiative transfer code RADEX was used to compare observations with the model.

Results. Molecular emission spatial maps show that HCN(1-0) and CS(3-2) are co-spatial with outflow cavity walls. On the other hand, CN emission is stronger at the positions of protostars. As a product of HCN photodissociation CN molecules indicate bow shocks around young stellar objects. The most of protostars in our sample present strong emission in both HCN(1-0) and CN(1-0) lines. Relatively stronger emission in all detected lines is observed around Ser-SMM3, Ser-SMM4 and Ser-SMM6 sources. Weak line of $H^{13}CN(2-1)$ was found in two on-source and one outflow position. CN(1-0) and HCN(1-0) column density was estimated as $10^{13} - 10^{14} cm^{-2}$.

Key words. astrochemistry – stars: formation – ISM: molecules – ISM: individual objects: Sepens Main – Submillimeter: ISM

1. Introduction

2. Observations

The Serpens Main star forming region was observed with IRAM 30 between 14 and 17 July 2009 (project no. xxx, PI: L. Kristensen). We used the Eight MIxer Receiver (EMIR) as the frontend. The observations were performed in the EMIR bands E090 (molecule HCN 1-0) covering the range 73-117 GHz and E150 (molecules CN 1-0 and CS 3-2) covering the frequencies between 125 and 184 GHz. Due to the EMIR receiver wide bands additional molecular lines of C34S 3-2, H13CN 1-0 and H13CN 2-1 were also observed. The backend was the Versatile SPectrometer Array (VESPA) autocorrelator and the 1 MHz filterbank reaching the spectral resolution of 39 kHz (E150 band) and 78 kHz (E090 band). The telescope beam size varies from 14" at 172.68 GHz to 29" at 86.34 GHz (Table 1). The antenna temperatures were converted to main-beam brightness temperature $T_{\rm MB}$ using the main beam efficiency according to the expresion: $T_{MB} = T_A/\eta_{MB}$. The exact upper levels enegies, line frequencies, beam sizes and beam efficiencies are given in Table 1. Observations included scans of the Ser-SMM1 (centered at $\alpha_{\rm J2000}$ = $18^{h}29^{m}49.6^{s}$, $\delta_{J2000} = +01^{\circ}15'20.5''$ with $V_{LSR} = +8.5$ km/s) and the Ser-SMM3/Ser-SMM4 (centered at $\alpha_{12000} = 18^h 29^m 56.6^s$,

Table 1. Overview of the observations

Mol.	Trans.	E_{u}	Freq. Beam size		Beam eff.
		(K)	(GHz)	(")	$\eta_{ m MB}$
HCN	1-0	4.25	88.631602	28	0.81
CN	1-0	5.45	113.494921	22	0.78
CS	3-2	14.1	146.969029	16	0.74
$C^{34}S$	3-2	13.9	144.617109	16	0.74
$H^{13}CN$	1-0	4.14	86.342274	29	0.81
H ¹³ CN	2-1	12.43	172.677881	14	0.68

Notes. Beam sizes and efficiencies are taken from http://www.iram.es/IRAMES/mainWiki/Iram30mEfficiencies

 $\delta_{\rm J2000}$ = +01°14′00.3″ with V_{LSR} = +7.6 km/s) regions, both 1′×3′ OTF maps. The size of the maps is about 300″ × 350″, covering both Ser-SMM1 and Ser-SMM3/Ser-SMM4 regions. The regions are referenced in the article as 'the Northen part' and 'the Southern part' respectively.

Data reduction was carried out with the CLASS package within GILDAS¹. Each spectrum was corrected for the baseline shape, the spike channels were removed and the velocity was re-

¹ See http://www.iram.fr/IRAMFR/GILDAS

sampled to a resolution of 0.5 km/s. The baseline fitting of the order of 0 was sufficient for our observations. The rms of extracted spectra values vary from 0.024 K to 0.125 K. Both OTF maps were merged in one map covering 300×350 arcsec. The spectra obtained were exported from the CLASS package and analysed with Python scripts.

3. Results

3.1. Molecular emission maps

The line maps in the targeted molecules show variety of structures that can be associated with YSOs and a large-scale cloud emission. In the following section we present the large-scale maps of CS J = 3 - 2, HCN J = 1 - 0 and CN J = 1 - 0. Similar maps are shown in the Appendix A.

The integrated line intensity map of HCN J=1-0 is shown in Fig. 1. Thirteen low-mass protostars can be distinguished in the field of view. Their positions and properties are shown in Table 2². We have chosen six off-source positions where HCN J=1-0 or CN J=1-0 have the maximum of emission at the location of outflows. Their coordinates and short descriptions is presented in Table 3.

There is no intensively elongated outflow structure from Ser-SMM3 source. The HCN J=1-0 map shows extended emission along outflow directions. The HCN J=1-0 line was detected at all positions, although it is weak at the positions of Ser-SMM5 and Ser-SMM10. On the other hand, the HCN J=1-0 emission is particularly strong around Ser-SMM4 and Ser-SMM9 sources. The emission maxima are detected among the known outflows of Ser-SMM1 and Ser-SMM4 (Yıldız et al. 2015). Especially, at the end of Ser-SMM4 blue outflow (position no. 4) we have significantly strong maximum of the HCN 1-0 radiation.

CS J=3-2 line emission map shows similar spatial distribution to HCN J=1-0 (Fig. A.3). The most significant elongated structure can be associated with Ser-SMM4 blue-shifted outflow. It is situated at the same place in both maps, extending over 80". A similar large-scale structure is detected along Ser-SMM1 outflows, although it is much more distinctive in the HCN J=1-0 map. A strong emission around Ser-SMM9 have a circular shape in HCN J=1-0 map, however, it has more elongated structure in CS J=3-2 line emission which overlaps with the S68N outflows (Kristensen et al. 2010). The peaks of emissions are situated in the different places. HCN J=1-0 has relatively strong emission around Ser-SMM4 protostar, but in CS J=3-2 line a significant emission towards position no. 3 can be noticed that indicates CN J=1-0 local maximum.

CN J=1-0 line emission is focused mostly around the positions of protostars (Fig. A.1). The highest local peaks are associated with Class 0 low-mass protostars: Ser-SMM1 (8.2 K km/s), Ser-SMM3 (15.9 K km/s), Ser-SMM4 (14.1 K km/s) and Ser-SMM6 (15.3 K km/s). The spatial distribution is qualitatively different compared to the HCN J=1-0 map. The strongest emission characterises the dense surroundings of Ser-SMM3, Ser-SMM6 and Ser-SMM4 sources while the northern part of this region does not show such a distinct emission in the HCN J=1-0 line. On the other hand, dense emissive region of the Ser-SMM9 source is significantly weaker in CN J=1-0 line. CN J=1-0 map can be characterised by compact, condensed emission without any strongly elongated structures. The H^{13} CN

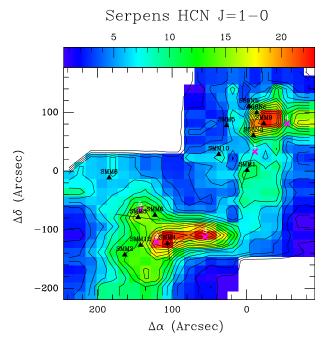


Fig. 1. Emission of the HCN(1-0) in the Serpens Main region. Black triangles show the positions of the protostars (Suresh et al. 2016), whereas the black lines show the associated outflow directions (Yıldız et al. 2015). Outflow positions were displayed as pulrple crosses.

J = 1 - 0 line exhibits similar morphological distribution as CN(1-0) and $C^{34}S(3-2)$.

In the presence of the UV radiation, HCN molecule photodissociates into CN molecule and H atom (Stäuber et al. 2005). Thus, combined map of these molecules can indicate regions with stronger UV radiation. We present a large-scale map of CN J = 1 - 0 to HCN J = 1 - 0 flux ratio (Fig. 2). The image of CN emission has been resampled to beam size of HCN in order to compare the same emitting regions. CN/HCN ratio is relatively low around the brightest submillimetre source Ser-SMM1. Similarly, at the dense area of Ser-SMM9 surrounding a significantly weaker CN/HCN emission can be noticed. On the other hand, it peaks at the Northern part of the map around rather faint Ser-SMM5 source. At the Southern part high CN/HCN ratio emission is more extended than in the Northen part. It expands from Ser-SMM3 and Ser-SMM6 area to the North. High CN/HCN ratio can also be found on the edges of the image but it is probably caused by different size of the CN and the HCN maps.

The low energy level of HCN ($E_{\rm u}=4.25~{\rm K}$) traces cold, high-density gas. HCN has previously been shown to be a good tracer of molecular outflows activity (Walker-Smith et al. 2014). Similar spatial distribution is presented in the CS map. It means that both species trace the gas of the same properties. The CN line is similarly low-energetic, however it peaks in different areas than HCN and CS. CN as a product of HCN photodissotiation indicates other properties of low-mass protostars surroundings (Section 4).

To summarise, spatial distribution of different lines emission varies depending on the observed molecule. The most distinct differences can be noticed between HCN and CN map. Most of the sources show high flux values in both molecules (Table 4). However, they present unequal levels which indicates regions of different properties. In order to better understand this issue we analyse the molecular line profiles in the Section 3.2.

 $^{^2}$ The outflows associated with low-mass protostars were obtained based on CO J=6-5 and CO J=3-2 observations (Yıldız et al. 2015)

Table 2. Catalogue of protostars properties

R.A.	Decl.	Sbmm source	Other names	$T_{\rm bol}$	L_{bol}	Class
(J200)	(J200)				(L_{\odot})	
18 29 48.12	+01 16 44.9	S68N	Ser-emb8, Bolo22	30^{a}	1.73^{a}	0^a
18 29 48.3	+01 16 42.7	SMM9	ISO241, WMW23		1.73^{c}	0^b
18 29 50.0	+01 15 20.3	SMM1	FIRS1, Ser-emb6, Bolo23, EC41, ISO258a, WMW114	13^{a}	69^{a}	0^a
18 29 51.4	+01 16 38.3	SMM5	EC53, WMW24, Ser p3		1.62^{c}	$0/I^b$
18 29 52.3	+01 15 48.8	SMM10	WMW21	110^{d}	4^d	$0/I^e$
18 29 57.0	+01 13 11.3	SMM4		28^{f}	13.6^{f}	0^f
18 29 57.8	+01 14 05.3	SMM6	EC90, WMW35, SVS20S		13.54^{c}	$0/I^e$
18 29 59.1	+01 13 14.3	SMM12				
18 29 59.6	+01 13 59.2	SMM3		37^{f}	27.5^{f}	0^f
18 30 00.5	+01 12 57.8	SMM2	Ser-emb4, Bolo28	54 ^g	31^g	$0/I^e$
18 30 01.9	+01 15 09.2	SMM8			0.068^{c}	

Coordinates taken from Suresh et al. 2016, except S68N (Enoch et al. 2007) and SMM8 (Lee et al. 2014). References: *a* Francis et al. 2019. *b* Enoch et al. 2007, *c* Dionatos et al. 2010, *d* Scaife et al. 2012, *e* Winston et al. 2007, *f* Karska et al. 2018, *g* Enoch et al. 2011.

Table 3. Properties of the selected off-source positions

Pos.	R.A.	Decl.	Remarks
	(J200)	(J200)	
1	18:29:45.47	+01:15:53.5	SMM1 blue-shifted
			outflow in $CO(3-2)$
2	18:29:54.66	+01:13:19.5	max. CN(1-0),
			SMM4 blue-shifted
			outflow in CO(3-2)
3	18:29:50.33	+01:13:68.5	max. HCN(1-0),
			SMM4 blue-shifted
4	18:29:43	+01:16:41.5	outflow visible
			in $C^{34}S(3-2)$
5	18:29:56.13	+01:14:14.5	max. CN(1-0),
			SMM9 surroundings

Serpens CN J=1-0 divided by HCN J=1-0

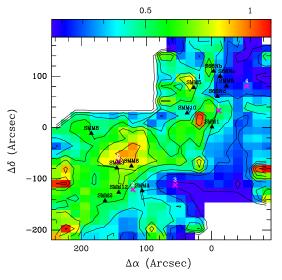


Fig. 2. Emission of the divided fluxes CN(1-0)/HCN(1-0) in the Serpens Main region. Black triangles show the positions of the protostars (Suresh et al. 2016), whereas the black lines show the associated outflow directions (Yıldız et al. 2015). Outflow positions were displayed as pulrple crosses.

3.2. Line profiles

We selected 14 representative on-source and off-source positions for a detailed analysis (Fig. 3). Nine of them are corresponding to the protostars positions, the other five off-source positions were selected based on local maximum of the flux.

The mean region is consistent with HCN 1-0 beam size (27.8") for all molecules. In the majority of our sources five of targeted lines were detected: CN(1-0), HCN(1-0), CS(3-2), C³⁴S(3-2) and H¹³CN(1-0). The line is considered to be detected if there is an emission at the level of at least 3σ . A weak emission from H¹³CN(2-1) was found at the positions of four sources and it is not included in the Figure.

The strongest emission occurs in HCN 1-0, CN 1-0 and CS 3-2 lines and it was detected at the position of all of the sources. The emission in the other lines was multiplied in order to compare profiles between different molecules. In HCN, CN species and their isotopologues a few different velocity components can be identified what indicates the hyperfine splitting. This occurs if a molecule has a non-zero nuclear spin so there is also an interaction between the nuclear spin and the electronic angular momentum. The most distinct splitting can be spotted in the CN J=1-0 profiles with five separate components situated between -70 km/s and 18 km/s. The HCN 1-0 line is characterised by three components with low separation situated in the range of -2 km/s - 16 km/s.

Ser-SMM1, Ser-SMM9, and Ser-SMM10 sources have wide spectral lines, while others exhibit narrow line profiles. Spectra extracted form Positions no. 1, 4 and 5 shows prominent blue-shifted wings what can be associated with outflows. Similar structure can be noticed in the Ser-SMM3 (panel no. 7) CS 3-2 and HCN 1-0 profiles.

4. Analysis

4.1. Lines column densities

Table 4 shows fluxes integrated from the average line profile at the positions of known protostars. Flux calculation in individual lines allows us to determine the column density of a given transition. The column density of the upper level $N_{\rm up}$ of each observed

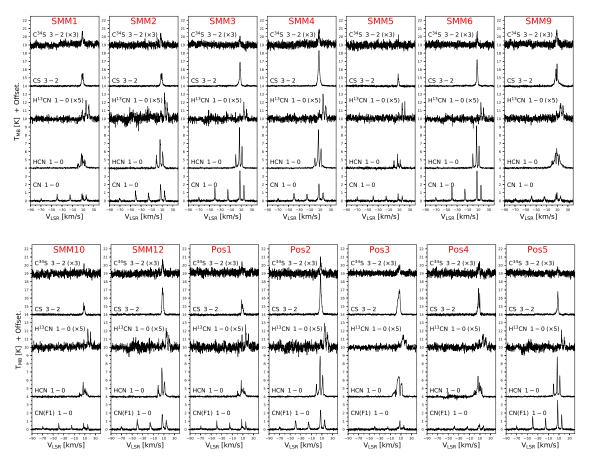


Fig. 3. Serpens Main sources spectra of C³⁴S(3-2), CS(3-2), H¹³CN(1-0), HCN(1-0) abd CN(1-0) lines.

line was calculated based on following relation:

$$N_u = \beta \, \frac{\nu \, W}{A} \tag{1}$$

where $\beta = 1937 \text{ cm}^{-2}$ and $W = \int T_{mb} dV$ is the integrated intensity of the emission line. The frequency ν should be given in GHz.

The column densities of the upper level of CN J=1-0 and HCN J=1-0 transitions are presented in Table 4. In the closest surroundings of low-mass protostars CN J=1-0 is stronger than the lowest transition line of HCN. The column density of CN J=1-0 varies between 10^{14} - 10^{15} cm⁻², while in the column density of the HCN's lowest transition reaches 10^{14} cm⁻². Except for the Ser-SMM9 and the Ser-SMM10 neighbourhood, HCN J=1-0 line column density is an order of magnitude lower than the column density of the equivalent CN transition. This result provides a clue to better understand of the low-mass protostars chemistry.

4.2. RADEX modelling

Molecules column densities can be independently determined using molecular excitation models. Line ratio can provide additional information concerning physical properties of the observed gas.

The non-LTE radiative transfer code RADEX (van der Tak et al. 2007) was run in order to prepare sets of molecular excitation models. The CN and HCN molecules column density ratio was the only free parameter. HCN column density was chosen as 10^8 cm⁻² in order to ensure optically thin emission. CN column density parameter varies from 10^6 cm⁻² to 10^{10} cm⁻² what translates

into $N_{\rm CN}/N_{\rm HCN}$ in following limits: 10^{-2} - 10^2 . The sets of models were developed assuming a line width of 1.0 km s⁻¹, hydrogen densities of $n_{\rm H_2}=10^3$ cm⁻³, $n_{\rm H_2}=10^4$ cm⁻³ and $n_{\rm H_2}=10^5$ cm⁻³ and kinetic temperatures of $T_{\rm kin}=30$ K, $T_{\rm kin}=75$ K and $T_{\rm kin}=200$ K. The molecular data files used during modelling were procured from the Leiden Atomic and Molecular Database (LAMDA, Schöier et al. 2005).

Fig. 4 presents one exemplary set of models of CN/HCN column density ratio versus the modelled line intensities ratio for hydrogen densities of $n_{\rm H_2} = 10^5~{\rm cm}^{-3}$ and kinetic temperatures of $T_{\rm kin} = 200~{\rm K}$. The rest of the models are shown in the Appendix B. CN/HCN column density ratio weakly depends on hydrogen density and kinetic temperature in the low limit of those parameters. All presented models show similar properties.

The modelled line intensities are compared with the observations. The observed line intensity ratio covers a range of 0.0-1.0 of the column density ratio in the logarithmic scale. That corresponds to a few times higher CN column density than the same parameter of HCN. This result slightly depends on hydrogen densities and kinetic temperature of the gas (see Table 5).

The sets of models shown in this section indicate that CN/HCN column density ratio covers the range of 1-10 regardless of excitation conditions. This result suggests that the UV radiation may play an important role around low-mass protostars.

4.3. Astrochemical model

In Section 4.2 we have raised a question about influence of the UV radiation on the surrounding of the observed sources. A simply astrochemical model can be obtained in order to estimate the

Table 4. Integrated fluxes of the detected protostars

Source	Line	Line freq.a	Flux ^b	Column dens.
		(MHz)	(K)	(cm^{-2})
	CN 1-0	113487.66	6.53	1.3×10^{15}
SMM1	HCN 1-0	88629.53	6.78	1.9×10^{14}
	CS 3-2	146964.15	6.93	7.9×10^{13}
	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144612.88	1.39	1.7×10^{13}
	$H^{13}CN 1-0$	86337.74	1.28	no data
	$H^{13}CN 2-1$	172708.89	0.03	no data
	CN 1-0	113488.17	10.58	2.2×10^{15}
SMM2	HCN 1-0	88629.77	13.98	4.0×10^{14}
	CS 3-2	146965.22	8.03	9.1×10^{13}
SIVIIVIZ	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144613.51	1.15	1.4×10^{13}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.94	2.46	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1		not detec	
	CN 1-0	113488.19	13.26	2.7×10^{15}
	HCN 1-0	88629.61	12.48	3.6×10^{14}
C) (D) (2)	CS 3-2	146966.10	10.04	1.1×10^{14}
SMM3	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144613.41	0.37	4.4×10^{12}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.92	0.98	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1		not detec	
	CN 1-0	113488.05	13.06	2.7×10^{15}
	HCN 1-0	88629.61	20.20	5.7×10^{14}
63.67.64	CS 3-2	146965.44	19.81	2.2×10^{14}
SMM4	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144613.74	0.02	1.9×10^{11}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.80	2.10	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1	172673.09	0.26	no data
	CN 1-0	1113488.05	2.57	no data
	HCN 1-0	88629.53	3.71	1.1×10^{14}
C) D 17	CS 3-2	146965.03	2.33	no data
SMM5	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144613.14	0.07	7.9×10^{11}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.76	0.70	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1		not detec	
	CN 1-0	113487.76	11.48	2.4×10^{15}
	HCN 1-0	88629.61	11.85	3.4×10^{14}
C) D 16	CS 3-2	146965.03	9.37	1.1×10^{14}
SMM6	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144613.25	0.54	6.4×10^{12}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86336.53	0.16	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1	172673.69	0.02	no data
	CN 1-0	113487.64	4.82	9.9×10^{14}
	HCN 1-0	88628.98	12.55	no data
G) (1) (0)	CS 3-2	146963.87	13.75	no data
SMM9	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144612.96	1.17	1.4×10^{13}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.65	1.61	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1	172673.14	0.04	no data
	CN 1-0	113487.58	2.89	5.9×10 ¹⁴
	HCN 1-0	88629.53	4.40	1.3×10^{14}
CMM10	CS 3-2	146965.06	4.47	5.1×10^{13}
SMM10	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	1144613.19	0.35	4.2×10^{12}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.72	0.98	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1		not detec	
	CN 1-0	113488.17	10.58	2.2×10^{15}
	HCN 1-0	88629.77	13.98	4.0×10^{14}
CNDAIC	CS 3-2	146965.06	10.30	1.2×10^{14}
SMM12	$C^{34}S$ 3-2	144613.39	0.93	1.1×10^{13}
	H ¹³ CN 1-0	86337.94	2.46	no data
	H ¹³ CN 2-1		not detec	
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a Line frequency at the main peak position.

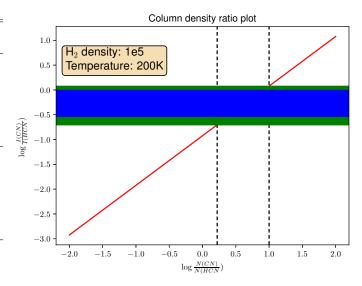


Fig. 4. RADEX model predictions for the CN/HCN column density ratio for hydrogen densities of $n_{\rm H_2} = 10^5~{\rm cm}^{-3}$ and kinetic temperatures of $T_{\rm kin} = 200~{\rm K}$ (red line). The observed line intensity ratio is plotted in blue (protostars positions) and green (all positions).

Table 5. The strength of the UV field

$log_{10}(N[CN]/N[HCN])$	n(H ₂)	T_{kin}	G_0
	$[cm^{-3}]$	[K]	
0.03-0.88	10^{3}	30	$4.80 \times 10^{-16} - 3.39 \times 10^{-15}$
0.06-0.84	10^{3}	75	$9.45 \times 10^{-8} - 5.69 \times 10^{-7}$
0.00-0.78	10^{3}	200	$1.28 \times 10^{-3} - 7.68 \times 10^{-3}$
0.16-0.94	10^{4}	30	$6.47 \times 10^{-15} - 3.90 \times 10^{-14}$
0.08-0.86	10^{4}	75	$9.89 \times 10^{-7} - 5.96 \times 10^{-6}$
0.04-0.82	10^{4}	200	$1.40 \times 10^{-2} - 8.42 \times 10^{-2}$
0.20-0.98	10^{5}	30	$7.09 \times 10^{-14} - 4.27 \times 10^{-13}$
0.18-0.86	10^{5}	75	$1.25 \times 10^{-5} - 5.96 \times 10^{-5}$
0.22-1.00	10^{5}	200	$2.12 \times 10^{-1} - 1.28$

intensity of the UV field in reference to units of the interstellar UV field G_0 .

As mentioned previously, HCN easily photodissotiates into CN molecule and H atom. On the other hand, CN needs more energetic photon for disintegration. In the presence of the UV photons HCN can be dissociated, while CN cannot. This leads to higher abundance of CN molecules and increases CN/HCN column density ratio.

The model was formulated with two basic assumptions: HCN can only be destroyed through photodissociation and CN reaction with H_2 is the only route to the formation of HCN. In this case the rate of dissociation per unit volume is given by $R_{\rm diss} = G_0 k_{\rm diss} n({\rm HCN})$ where photodissociation rate $k_{\rm diss} = 1.64 \times 10^{-9} \, s^{-1}$ (Heays et al. 2017). The formation rate of HCN is described by the Equation (2):

$$\frac{dn(\text{CN})}{dt} = G_0 k_{\text{diss}} n(\text{HCN}) - k n(\text{H}_2) n(\text{CN})$$
 (2)

where k is the coefficient describing efficiency of CN reaction (Equation 3):

$$k = 4.04 \times 10^{-13} cm^3 s^{-1} (\frac{T}{300 \text{K}})^{2.87} \exp{\frac{-820 \text{K}}{T}}$$
 (3)

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b Integrated flux above 3σ .

Assuming equilibrium and linear relation between a molecule column density and its abundance, UV radiation can be estimated in the units of the interstellar field:

$$G_0 = \frac{k \, n(\mathrm{H_2})}{k_{\mathrm{photo}}} \frac{n(\mathrm{CN})}{n(\mathrm{HCN})} \tag{4}$$

All of the results are shown in Table 5. For the upper limit of calculated CN/HCN column density ratio, hydrogen densities of $n_{\rm H_2} = 10^5~{\rm cm}^{-3}$ and kinetic temperature of $T_{\rm kin} = 200~{\rm K}$, $G_0 = 1.28$ that corresponds to stronger UV field than its average in the interstellar medium.

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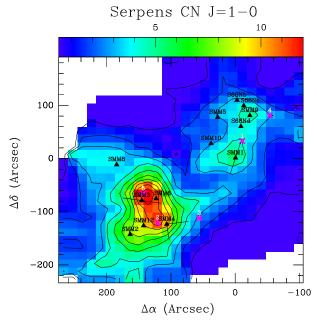


Fig. A.1. Emission of the CN(1-0) in the Serpens Main region. White crosses show the positions of the protostars (Suresh et al. 2016), whereas the white lines show the associated outflow directions (Yıldız et al. 2015). Outflow positions were displayed as pulrple crosses and the protostars not proceeded in the analysis are marked with yellow crosses (Dionatos et al. 2010).

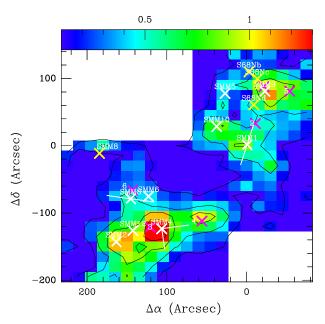


Fig. A.2. Emission of the H¹³CN(1-0) in the Serpens Main region. White crosses show the positions of the protostars (Suresh et al. 2016), whereas the white lines show the associated outflow directions (Yıldız et al. 2015). Outflow positions were displayed as pulrple crosses and the protostars not proceeded in the analysis are marked with yellow crosses (Dionatos et al. 2010).

Appendix A: Molecular emission maps

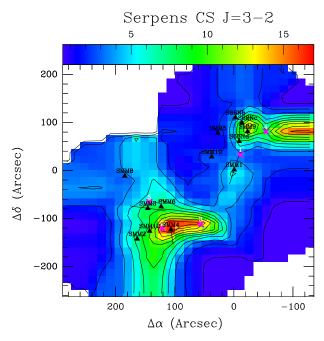


Fig. A.3. Emission of the CS(3-2) in the Serpens Main region. White crosses show the positions of the protostars (Suresh et al. 2016), whereas the white lines show the associated outflow directions (Yıldız et al. 2015). Outflow positions were displayed as pulrple crosses and the protostars not proceeded in the analysis are marked with yellow crosses (Dionatos et al. 2010).

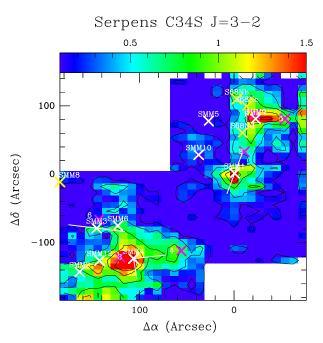


Fig. A.4. Emission of the $C^{34}S(3-2)$ in the Serpens Main region. White crosses show the positions of the protostars (Suresh et al. 2016), whereas the white lines show the associated outflow directions (Yıldız et al. 2015). Outflow positions were displayed as pulrple crosses and the protostars not proceeded in the analysis are marked with yellow crosses (Dionatos et al. 2010).