28. RADIO OBSERVATIONS OF SOME DETAILS IN THE HI LOCAL SPIRAL ARM

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The observations were made with the large Pulkovo radiotelescope (beamwidth 7', bandwidth 20 and 10 kHz). Figure 1 contains our drift curves across the cluster NGC 2264. The details on them may be identified with Raimond's (1966) clouds, but the proofs for the reality of the connection between the cluster and the clouds are not very reliable. The cloud 'b' is believed to be connected with NGC 2264 because of their close neighborhood. But on the other side of the galactic plane in this region we have found a bright and narrow ($\sim 1^\circ$) detail, whose middle falls exactly on the



Fig. 1. Drift curves across the cluster NGC 2264 at different velocities relative to the LSR. The coordinates are RA and antenna temperature. Dots represent the contours of the clouds found by Raimond, a line across them represents our scans.

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western border of the HII region around the star λ Orionis (Figure 2). Figure 3 contains the computed drift curves at different velocities for $\Delta f = 20$ kHz according to the model of the neutral hydrogen expanding envelope proposed by Wade (1957) around the HII region λ Ori. Figure 4 represents our observations. Although some details, in particular the narrow detail at the velocity -1.4 km s⁻¹, are very similar to the calculated ones, our observations differ from Wade's model in that they do not have



Fig. 2. Part of the drift curve at velocity -1.4 km s⁻¹ across the star λ Ori, put on the photograph of this HII region.



Fig. 3. Expected drift curves across λ Ori according to the model by Wade (1957) for a 20 kHz band.

any velocity symmetry relative to zero; in fact the details are situated only at the positive side. This fact may eliminate one half of the proposed envelope. There is no symmetry relative to the central star and no coincidence of the velocity of the narrowest detail with the velocities of the central star and nebula. Figure 5 demonstrates the drift curve obtained across both objects, NGC 2264 and λ Ori nebula. Maybe the old Menon's idea about the connection between the branching of the gaseous arm and the formation of the clusters is correct. The details in the H_I distribution look like the split branches from the main body of the arm (Figure 5).

On Figure 6 are our drift curves across the region of the magnetic field reversal near $l^{II} = 180^{\circ}$, $b^{II} = -30^{\circ}$ (Gardner *et al.*, 1967). Taking into account the model on Figure 2 we may conclude that there is a hole with diameter approximately 50 pc in



Fig. 4. Observed drift curves at different velocities across λ Ori.



Fig. 5. Drift curve across NGC 2264 and across the HII region λ Orionis. V = +2.9 km s⁻¹ relative to LSR, $\Delta f = 10$ kHz.



Fig. 6. Drift curves across the region of magnetic field reversal at $l = 180^{\circ}$, $b = -30^{\circ}$.

the gaseous tongue in question. Here may be something like a half-envelope expanding with the velocity 12-13 km s⁻¹.

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