

Date & Time (MDT): 20210802_103536

Telescope: Main dish 60' (18.3m); Beamwidth = 0.81°

Receiver: Airspy R2 + GPSDO. Bandwidth = 2.5 Mhz. Frequency = 1420.5 Mhz, RF Gain = 10

Computer: System76 laptop, 8 core, Ubuntu 20.04

Software: GnuRadio 3.8, Python3, astro-virgo 3.8

Source Name: Cassiopeia A (super nova remnant)

Source RA, DEC: 23^h 23^m 24^s ; 58° 48.9'

Observers: Glenn Davis, Dan Layne

Feed horn: 1420 Mhz (Steve Plock)

Run time: 60 seconds

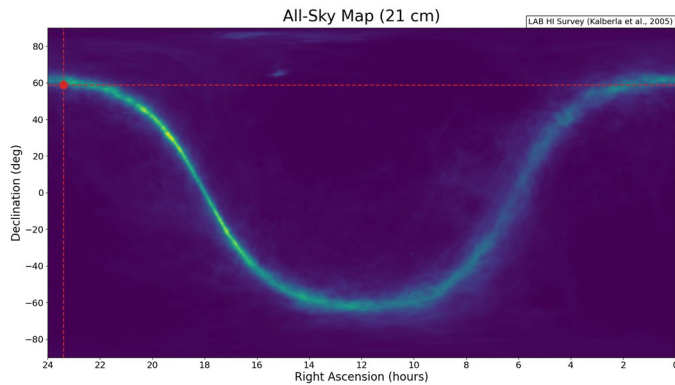


Figure 1: Location of Cass A on 21cm sky map

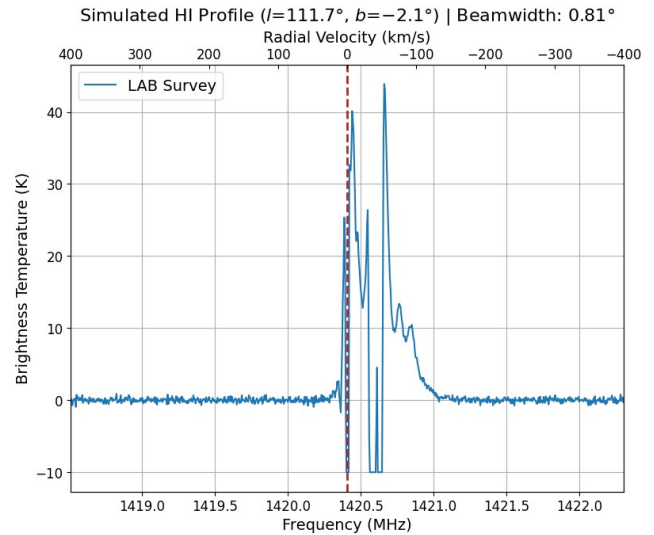


Figure 2: Predicted profile (LAB HI Survey)

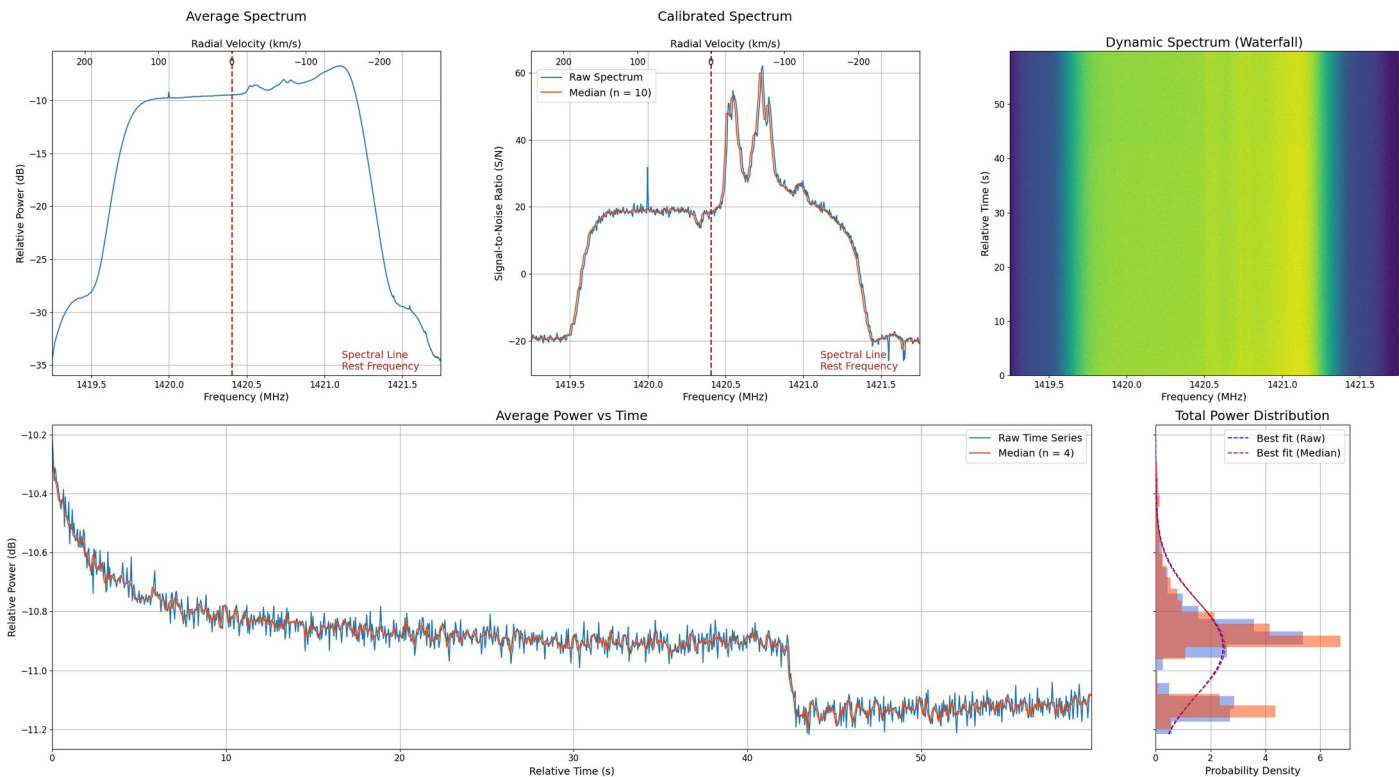


Figure 3 – Observed Results: The middle plot above shows calibrated spectrum. The profile closely matches (but not exactly) the predicted profile for Cassiopeia A in Figure 2 (the charts have different scale). The noise spike at 1420.0 Mhz is a known artifact of the Airspy R2.

Date & Time (MDT): 20210802_124830

Telescope: Main dish 60' (18.3m); Beamwidth = 0.81°

Receiver: Airspy R2 + GPSDO. Bandwidth = 2.5 Mhz. Frequency = 1420.5 Mhz, RF Gain = 10

Computer: System76 laptop, 8 core, Ubuntu 20.04

Software: GnuRadio 3.8, Python3, astro-virgo 3.8

Source Name: Taurus A (M1) Crab nebula

Source RA, DEC: $05^h 34^m 31.94^s$; $22^\circ 00' 52.2''$

Observers: Glenn Davis, Dan Layne

Feed horn: 1420 Mhz (Steve Plock)

Frequency = 1420.5 Mhz, RF Gain = 10

Run time: 60 seconds

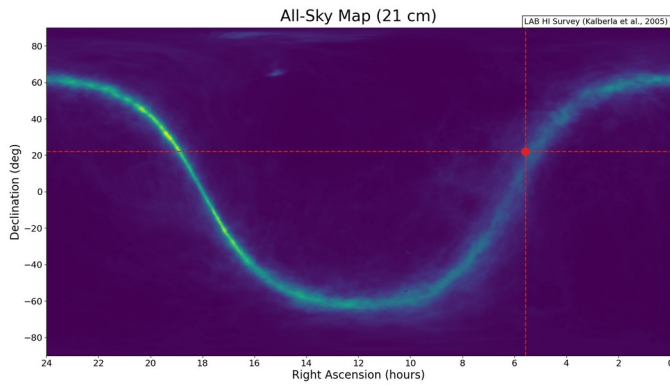


Figure 1: Location of Taurus A on 21cm sky map

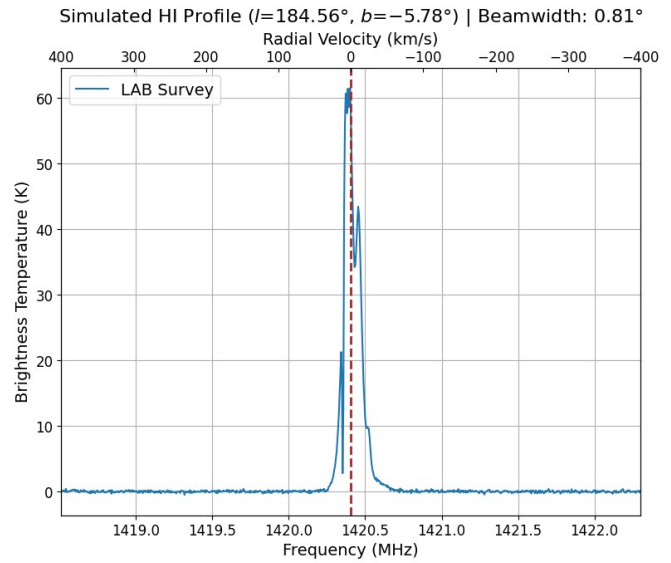


Figure 2: Predicted profile (LAB HI Survey)

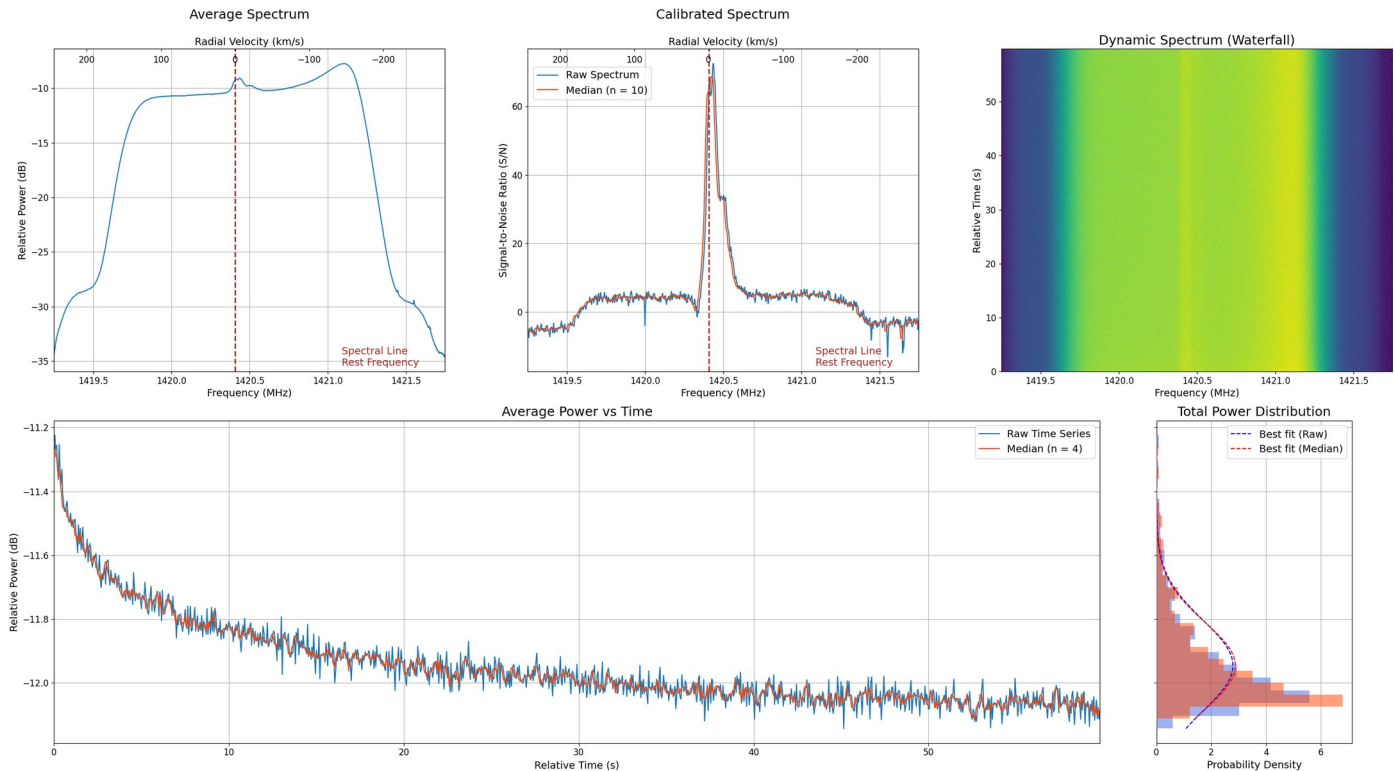


Figure 3 – Observed Results: The middle plot above shows the calibrated spectrum. The profile closely, though not exactly matches the predicted profile for Taurus A (the charts have different scale). Time series and spectral data are also available in spreadsheet (.csv) format.