Infall, outflow, and turbulence in massive star-forming cores in the G333 giant molecular cloud

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ABSTRACT
We present molecular line imaging observations of three massive molecular outflow sources, G333.6–0.2, G333.1–0.4, and G332.8–0.5, all of which also show evidence for infall, within the G333 giant molecular cloud (GMC). All three are within a beam size (36 arcsec) of IRAS sources, 1.2-mm dust clumps, various masing species, and radio continuum-detected H II regions and hence are associated with high-mass star formation. We present the molecular line data and derive the physical properties of the outflows including the mass, kinematics, and energetics and discuss the inferred characteristics of their driving sources. Outflow masses are of 10–40 M⊙ in each lobe, with core masses of the order of 10^3 M⊙. Outflow size scales are a few tenth of a parsec, time-scales are of several ×10^3 years, mass-loss rates a few ×10^{-4} M⊙ yr^{-1}. We also find the cores are turbulent and highly supersonic.

Key words: stars: formation – stars: massive – H II regions – ISM: jets and outflows – ISM: molecules – radio lines: ISM.

1 INTRODUCTION
The processes surrounding the life and death of massive stars play an important part in the evolution of galaxies at all epochs (see e.g. Hennebelle & Commercon 2012; Safranek-Shrader, Milosavljevič & Bromm 2014), while at all times turbulence in the interstellar medium (ISM) plays a predominant role in regulating massive star formation (Federrath2013). Hence, understanding how turbulence shapes star formation, and how star formation in turn contributes to driving interstellar turbulence, is an important step in understanding diverse phenomena such as the evolution of the molecular ISM in galaxies, the formation of massive stars, and, eventually, the role that turbulence may play in the formation of planetary systems.

Three particularly important topics for understanding the interaction between turbulence and massive star formation are (i) the sources of the energy required to drive interstellar turbulence; (ii) their relative importance at different scales (with large-scale Galactic flows, supernova explosions, outflows from young, massive stars, and expanding H II regions all likely to contribute at various scales e.g. Mac Low & Klessen 2004; McKee & Ostriker 2007), and (iii) the effect that turbulence and energy injection may have on enhancing or disrupting star formation at large, spiral-arm scales (Luna et al. 2006) and smaller giant-molecular-cloud-size scales (see e.g. Harper-Clark & Murray 2011).

The study of infall and outflow in massive star-forming regions is well connected to the subject area of turbulence. Outflow from massive stars may contribute to the driving of turbulence in the ISM (e.g. Rivilla et al. 2013; Federrath et al. 2014), while turbulent fragmentation of gas that is infalling on to a protostellar cluster may change the number and mass distribution of the stars forming in the cluster (Peters et al. 2010; Girichidis et al. 2012).

Bipolar molecular outflows are found ubiquitously across all forming stellar size scales (e.g. Su, Zhang & Lin 2004; Wu et al. 2005; Zhang et al. 2013) down even to brown dwarfs (Whelan et al. 2007). The mass of molecular material observed in the outflows from high-mass star-forming regions (HMSFRs) is sufficiently large that it is likely entrained from the surrounding ISM in addition to the component associated with the forming star (Klaassen & Wilson 2008). The driving mechanism for outflows from HMSFRs remains unclear but may also be due to a similar process to that of low-mass star formation. In the accretion model of star formation (e.g. Shu, Adams & Lizano 1987), gravitational infall of the surrounding material on to a disc surrounding a forming star leads to mass ejection and the dissipation of excess angular momentum in the form of a bipolar jet; the causality of infall and outflow means where one is detected, the other is likely to be present. The Shu et al. (1987) model considers isolated star formation; modelling suggests that outflows associated with high-mass stars can be highly collimated.

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In an interesting and recent development, Peters et al. (2014) show that when multiple stars form in a common accretion flow, such as accretion on to a massive protostellar cluster, many star and protostars within the cluster have common outflow axes. Hence, even with massive star formation, there is likely to be a strong association between inflow and outflow. Observational evidence for this scenario can be found in Klaassen & Wilson (2008).

To provide benchmarking observational constraints for the role of turbulence in giant molecular clouds (GMC), a multimolecular line mapping of the G333 GMC with the Mopra and Nanten2 telescopes has been undertaken (see Bains et al. 2006; Lo et al. 2007, 2009, 2011; Wong et al. 2008). In collecting data for this project, we have serendipitously detected signatures of outflow and infall in three of the brighter molecular features in the GMC, which we have designated G333.6–0.2, G333.1–0.4, and G332.8–0.5. Within a Mopra beam size of the outflow sources are radio-detected H II regions, 1.2-mm dust emission clumps (Mookerjea et al. 2004), CH3OH and H2O masers and IRAS sources, features which are all consistent with the presence of high-mass star formation.

1.1 G333 outflow/infall sources

In this paper we examine evidence of inflow and outflow towards three massive star-forming sources in the G333 massive molecular cloud complex (see Fig. 1). The G333.6–0.2 molecular outflow is associated with the most massive of the three HII regions, a young OB cluster (e.g. Fujiiyoshi et al. 2006), with a dust mass of 1.6 × 10^4 M⊙ (Mookerjea et al. 2004). The IRAS source closest to G333.6–0.2, IRAS 16183–4958, is one of the most luminous far-infrared (FIR) sources in the sky. From observations with the VLT MIR VISIR camera, Grave et al. (2014) found indications that this region consists of two main luminous sources (O4V and O5V) which account for at least half of the luminosity from this region. As well as being proximate to the H II region G333.6–0.22, this molecular outflow source is also associated with MSX and 1.2-mm dust sources (Mookerjea et al. 2004) and masers of H2O and OH (Batchelor et al. 1980; Caswell 1998).

The HII region associated with G333.1–0.4 is intermediate in mass to the other two sources discussed in this paper. High-resolution deep near-IR imaging and spectroscopy reveals an embedded OB star cluster in very early evolutionary stages (Figueroedo et al. 2005). Spectroscopy shows the two brightest stars in the cluster have spectral type of O6 and O8 stars, and numerous young stellar objects with excess near-IR emission due to circumstellar discs or envelopes. The cluster has integrated mass of 1.0 × 10^3 M⊙. This source also has the most prominent SiO emission in the whole G333 complex, aside from the cold core G333.125–0.562 as discussed in Lo et al. (2007).

Finally, we also observed G332.8–0.5 which is the smallest of the three HII regions, with a dust mass of 5.5 × 10^3 M⊙ (Mookerjea et al. 2004). It has FIR colour characteristics of an ultracompact H II region (Bronfman, Nyman & May 1996). Table 1 gives a summary of previous observational identifications of the three sources in infrared continuum and maser transitions.

The molecules presented in this paper differ in ISM related to inflow, outflow and the dense cores in the sources. Being such a ubiquitous species, the 12CO emission traces the full spatial and kinematical extent of the outflows. The 13CO traces them to a lesser extent, but where present it can be used with the 12CO to calculate the molecular column density (under the assumption that the 13CO is optically thin). Emission from CO is mainly confined to the cloud cores and provides a measure of the core mass, if assumed to be optically thin. SiO emission is known to be enhanced in outflows due to the presence of shocks, although it is not found in every outflow source (Klaassen & Wilson 2007). HCO+ can trace both inflow and outflows (e.g. Myers et al. 1996; Rawlings et al. 2004; Klaassen & Wilson 2007) as it easily becomes optically thick and traces a high critical density. Emission from the SiO and HCO+ lines therefore provides a tracer of outflow and infall phenomena. CS is a high-density (~10^5 cm^{-3}) tracer which is found towards star-forming condensations rather than outflow wings and so traces the systemic velocity of the clouds and the degree of turbulence. N2H+ is prominent in cold, dense cloud cores rather than in outflow wings, typically at T_k ≲ 20 K, due to its main destroyer CO being depleted (Bergin, Langer & Goldsmith 1995).

For the three G333 sources, we present Mopra data of molecular line emission which show evidence for outflow and infall, specifically that of the low-excitation rotational transitions of three CO isotopologues, CS, two isotopologues of HCO+, SiO, and N2H+. The observations are described in Section 2. In Section 3, we present archival Spitzer GLIMPSE mid-IR imagery of the three outflow sources overlaid with contours of Mopra CS (J = 2–1) data, followed by the Mopra spectral line profiles and discuss the evidence for the presence of inflow from these lines. In Section 4, we use the CO isotopologue data to calculate the column density in the outflows and use this to derive their mass and energetics. In Section 5, we summarize the observationally derived properties we have determined for these sources and introduce a companion paper (Wiles et al. 2015) in which models of the regions are presented.

2 OBSERVATIONS AND DATA REDUCTION

The molecular line data presented here are comprised of data from our Mopra G333 multimolecular lines mapping (Bains et al. 2006; Wong et al. 2008; Lo et al. 2009) as well as 12CO maps of the individual sources. For a more detailed description of the observing procedure and data reduction steps, we refer the reader to the references mentioned immediately above.

The Mopra radio telescope is a 22-metre-single-dish telescope located near Coonabarabran, NSW, Australia, with a beam size of 36 arcsec at 3-mm wavelengths. The main beam brightness temperature T mb and antenna temperature T a are related by the antenna efficiency η a, at frequency ν such that T mb = T a / η a and this was used to derive T mb. The Mopra beam has been characterized by Ladd et al. (2005) and the beam efficiencies used are as listed there. The observing bandwidth was configured so that the central channel corresponded to ~50 km s^{-1}, the approximate velocity at which the emission from the GMC complex is centred. The reference (OFF) position is at α_{2000} = 16 : 27, δ_{2000} = −51 : 30 (Bains et al. 2006). Throughout this work, velocities are given in the radio convention and in terms of vlsr, that is, with respect to the kinematic local standard of rest (lsr). The data were reduced using the LIVEDATA and GRIDZELLA packages available from the CSIRO/CASS,2 weighted by the relevant vlsr measurements, and have been continuum-subtracted. We summarize the observational details in Table 2. The G333 cloud was observed in a number of other species in addition to those listed in Section 1.1, as detailed in Lo et al. (2009); however, these are not discussed in this paper.

1 The Mopra radio telescope is part of the Australia Telescope National Facility which is funded by the Commonwealth of Australia for operation as a National Facility managed by CSIRO.

2 See URL http://www.atnf.csiro.au/computing/software/livedata.
Figure 1. Colour-composite images of the Spitzer IRAC photometric bands for the vicinity of the outflow sources where red is 8.0-µm, green is 4.5-µm, and blue is 3.6-µm. Overlaid are white contours of total intensity Mopra CS ($J = 2–1$) emission, which picks out the cores of the outflow sources. Contour levels start at 10 K km s$^{-1}$, with increments of 5 K km s$^{-1}$ up to 35 K km s$^{-1}$. (a) Overall image of the G333 region with the positions of the three sources in this paper indicated. Zoom in image of the three regions: (b) G333.6–0.2, (c) G333.1–0.4, and (d) G332.8–0.5. The crosses mark the positions for the spectra shown in Fig. 2, as listed in Table 5, which are also the peaks of CO emission. The angular separations between the 8-µm and CO peaks are 20, 15, and 7 arcsec for G333.6–0.2, G333.1–0.4, and G332.8–0.5, respectively, note that the beam size of the Mopra data is 36 arcsec, thus all within one beam size.
3 RESULTS

3.1 Mopra molecular line data

3.1.1 Velocity profiles

In Fig. 2, we show the molecular line velocity profiles taken at the spatial location of the peak CO emission for each source (marked with red crosses in Fig. 1 and listed in Table 5). The displayed velocity range of the profiles was determined from the $^{12}$CO data, the line which traces the maximum extent of the outflows; it is this velocity range that was used to perform the analysis of the outflows as described in Section 4.

In each source, multiple velocity features are visible in some line profiles, particularly those of $^{12}$CO and HCO$^+$. Whilst CS, C$^{18}$O, and H$^{13}$CO$^+$ show a single velocity feature, CS is a high-density tracer and thus associated with the denser cloud core region, while the H$^{13}$CO$^+$ isotopologue is assumed to be optically thin and hence also traces the core rather than the outflow. The C$^{18}$O emission also appears to mainly trace the cloud core component. NH$_2$H$^+$ is found in cold dense cores rather than outflows. In the case of G333.6–0.2 and G332.8–0.5, we consider these to be associated with a single source rather than several overlapping velocity features along the line of sight. This is evidenced by the CS, C$^{18}$O, and H$^{13}$CO$^+$ line profiles, which comprise a single component at the same central velocity.

In both G333.6–0.2 and G332.8–0.5, the $^{12}$CO and HCO$^+$ lines all show the broad wings characteristic of outflows, particularly on the blueshifted side in the case of G333.6–0.2 (for detailed analysis, see Section 4.2). In G333.1–0.4, a blueshifted shoulder (at $\sim-60$ km s$^{-1}$) is present in all three CO isotopologues and also HCO$^+$; the fact that this feature is present in both optically thick (CO) and thin (C$^{18}$O) lines, unlike the other two sources, may suggest that it is due to a confusing cloud along the same line of sight rather than part of the wing emission in G333.1–0.4. The detection of emission from HCO$^+$ and SiO in all the sources is consistent with the presence of outflows (Rawlings et al. 2004; Klaassen & Wilson 2007).

An infall signature in a spectral line presents itself in the form of a red–blue asymmetry, usually with a diminished redshifted component (e.g. Walker, Narayanan & Boss 1994; Myers et al. 1996). Such an asymmetry is apparent to varying degrees in the line profiles of all three sources. G333.6–0.2 shows the most extreme and broadest redshifted infall feature, extending from $\sim-33$ km s$^{-1}$ bluewards towards the centre of the line in $^{12}$CO and HCO$^+$ (Fig. 2) and also visible to a lesser degree in $^{13}$CO. Continuum absorption has further ‘distorted’ the line shape of HCO$^+$ such that the infall feature is negative (the profiles have been continuum subtracted). This is consistent with the presence of a number of radio- and millimetre-wavelength-detected continuum sources within G333.6–0.2 (Fujiyoshi et al. 2006, see also Fig. 1). Indeed, the peak in the continuum absorption of the molecular line emission occurs along the line of sight to the position of peak radio flux density to the H II region G333.6–0.22 (observed with the Australia Telescope Compact Array), which also coincides with the 1.2-mm dust peak (Fig. 3).

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G333.1–0.4 also clearly shows an abrupt fall-off on the redshifted side of its line profiles (Fig. 2). This is a less extreme infall feature than that seen in G333.6–0.2 and is again consistent with the line being absorbed by the continuum source which we have detected at radio and millimetre wavelengths (see also Fig. 1). G332.8–0.5 shows a more ‘classic’ infall profile, with a clear split of $\sim5$ km s$^{-1}$ between asymmetric red and blueshifted peaks ($\sim-54$ and $-60$ km s$^{-1}$, respectively) which is particularly evident in the line profiles of $^{12}$CO and HCO$^+$.
Figure 2. Velocity profiles of the molecular lines for each of the outflow sources. The spectra were taken from the positions indicated by the red crosses in Fig. 1 (as listed in Table 5). Left: G333.6–0.2; centre: G333.1–0.4; right: G332.8–0.5. From top to bottom the lines are (see Table 2) $^{12}\text{CO}$, $^{13}\text{CO}$, $^{18}\text{O}$, CS, HCO$^+$, H$^{13}$CO$^+$, N$_2$H$^+$ and SiO. The y-axis is the intensity, $T_A^*$, in units of K and the x-axis is the $v_{\text{lsr}}$ velocity in km s$^{-1}$. The dashed lines indicate $T_A^* = 0$ (horizontal) and centroid velocity (vertical).

3.1.2 Outflow maps

In Fig. 4, we present images of the $^{13}\text{CO}$ data to show the overall velocity structure. The zeroth-moment (i.e. total intensity) contours of the red- and blue-wing emission (summed over the velocity ranges defined in Table 5) for each outflow source are shown overlaid with symbols indicating the positions of other likely related sources of emission in the region, more details of which are given in Table 1. Two of the three sources (G333.2–0.6 and G333.1–0.4) have a clear offset between the red and blueshifted total intensity emission; the position angle (PA) of this offset is different for each source, i.e.
there is no evidence for a general alignment of such kinematic characteristics across the large-scale G333 GMC. However, care must be taken in the interpretation of the redshifted total intensity emission from G333.1–0.4 and G333.6–0.2 because of the redshifted absorption dip in each of these sources. For source G332.8–0.5, there is no measurable blueshifted emission thus it is not possible to determine the outflow axis.

We also show the PV (position–velocity)-arrays in the right-hand column of Fig. 4, made by taking a slice through the $^{12}$CO data cube along a plane defined by the positions of the peak emission in the most extreme red and blueshifted channels; the slice positions are indicated by the thick solid lines overlaid on the moment images. The PV-arrays for G333.6–0.2 and G333.1–0.4 show the outflows blending into spatially and/or kinematically adjacent emission, and the abrupt falls in the redshifted channel emission. The G332.8–0.5 PV-array is not shown because the outflow axis is not determined.

### 3.2 Spitzer GLIMPSE imagery

In Fig. 1, we show the *Spitzer Space Telescope* GLIMPSE (Galactic Legacy Infrared Mid-Plane Survey Extraordinaire; Benjamin et al. 2003) three-colour composite infrared images of the whole cloud complex and the three bipolar outflow sources. The images are overlaid with contours of the CS total intensity, which we display here as it has a high associated critical density ($\sim 10^5$ cm$^{-3}$) and so picks out the structure of the high-density molecular cores well.

Infrared emission associated with all three outflow sources is apparent in the GLIMPSE images. G333.6–0.2 and G333.1–0.4 display complex structures comprising a number of knots and filaments in the IR while G332.8–0.5 has a simpler, bipolar nebulosity. The predominance of 8-μm emission (red) in all three sources is consistent with the presence of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons typically found in photodissociation regions around HMSFRs, so the 8-μm peak is taken as being a sign of an H region. The positions of the H regions visible in the *Spitzer* data are consistent with the positions of the radio continuum emission (Urquhart et al. 2007). Emission associated with the massive OB cluster in G333.6–0.2 (e.g. Fujiiyoshi et al. 2006) is clearly visible as the saturated region in the *Spitzer* InfraRed Array Camera (IRAC) image and is clearly offset from the molecular emission peak, which is itself associated with a dark region in the IR emission. Similarly, the molecular peak in G333.1–0.4 is offset from the emission associated with the H region and coincident with a trough in the IR emission. Such offsets between molecular emission and H regions are consistent with more evolved HMSFRs whose feedback effects have cleared their natal environs. Conversely, the H region in G332.8–0.5 is located in the centre of the peak molecular contour, suggesting it may be a younger source and/or less powerful.

### 4 ANALYSIS

#### 4.1 Molecular lines: optical depths

As the three HMSFRs are located within a massive GMC complex, the analysis was hampered by the multiplicity of sources present and their associated confusion, both spatially and kinematically. The outflows are thus less well-defined than in low-mass star-forming regions (LMSFR) and the clean, detailed analysis that is possible there is not possible here.

We defined the systemic velocity of the outflow sources and their core/outflow velocity boundaries by fitting one-dimensional Gaussians to the C$^{18}$O, $^{13}$CO, and CS line profiles taken at the positions along the line of sight to the outflow centres. These lines appear to trace the core features only and have little emission in the wings. The systemic and FWHM velocities so determined are listed in Table 3. It can be seen that for each source the $v_{sys}$ measurements agree to within 1 km s$^{-1}$. In addition, the $^{13}$CO and CS lines are seen to be moderately optically thick, evident by the $\sim 1$ km s$^{-1}$ larger values for their FWHM.

The CS emission in the core of G333.1–0.4 (Fig. 2) appears to be comprised of two blended velocity components which could not be fitted with a single Gaussian. The C$^{18}$O emission has a smoother core profile and provided a better fit in this source. For consistency in our analysis, we therefore use the parameters determined from the fits to the C$^{18}$O profiles in the calculations below. We measured the outflow masses and energetics using the observed brightness ratios between the $^{12}$CO, $^{13}$CO and C$^{18}$O line emission. Where these lines are well detected ($S/N \gtrsim 5$) we may use the ratio with the main line to determine the optical depth of the emission. We summarize here our use of a radiative transfer analysis of the observed emission.

The radiative transfer equation has the general solution for the intensity of a velocity channel in a spectral line, known as the Detection Equation (e.g. Stahl & Palla 2005, appendix C):

$$T = T^*_{ex}/\eta_\nu = f[J_{ex}(T_{ex}) - J_{BG}(T_{ex})](1 - e^{-\tau}),$$

where $T^*$ is the measured intensity and $\eta_\nu$ the beam efficiency (taken as 0.55 from Ladd et al. 2005), $f$ is the beam filling factor for the emission, $J_{ex}(T) = [h\nu/k]/[e^{(h\nu/kT)} - 1]$ with $T_{ex}$ being the excitation temperature and $T_{BG}$ being the temperature of the cosmic background radiation (i.e. 2.726 K). $\tau$ is the optical depth of the emission.

Generally, in using equation (1), we assume for the line isotopologue pair, say $^{12}$CO and $^{13}$CO, that the former is optically thick, while the latter is optically thin everywhere. However, $^{13}$CO unlikely to be optically thin in the cores of these sources, and thus the derived core masses are a lower limit. We also assume they have the same excitation temperature and beam filling factor. Furthermore, $\eta_{^{12}CO}/\eta_{^{13}CO} \approx N(^{12}CO)/N(^{13}CO) = X[^{12}C]/X[^{13}C]$, the abundance ratio of $^{12}$CO to $^{13}$CO. We have adopted abundance ratios of $X[^{12}C]/X[^{13}C] = 20$, as preliminary generic radiative transfer models undertaken as per Carolan et al. (2008) did not support a higher ratio, if the observed line intensities were to be reproduced.

The follow-up modelling tailored to each of the sources is discussed in the companion paper (Wiles et al. 2015) to this one mentioned...
Figure 4. Left: total intensity $^{13}$CO red- (dashed contours) and blueshifted (solid) wing emission, summed over the velocity ranges given in Table 5. For G333.6–0.2, contours are plotted in 5 K km s$^{-1}$ steps starting at 5 K km s$^{-1}$ for both blue and red shifted outflow emissions. For G333.1–0.4, contours are plotted in 2 K km s$^{-1}$ steps starting at 14 K km s$^{-1}$ for the blueshifted emission, and in 1 K km s$^{-1}$ steps starting at 8 K km s$^{-1}$ for the redshifted emission. For G332.8–0.5, there is no detectable blueshifted emission, the redshifted emission contours are in steps of 2 K km s$^{-1}$ starting at 18 K km s$^{-1}$. The thick solid line on each plot indicates the position of the slice taken to produce the PV-arrays shown. (right:) PV-arrays with contours plotted at 10 per cent steps of the peak emission. Top: G333.6–0.2. PV-array centred on RA 16:22:9.2, Dec $-$50:06:02, PA 34°. Middle: G333.1–0.4. PV-array centred on RA 16:21:0.6, Dec $-$50:35:16, PA 351°. Bottom: G332.8–0.5. PV-array is not shown as the PA is unknown. All angles are measured E from N. The symbols indicate the other sources of emission in the region (see Table 1) as follows: MSX – box, H$_2$O maser – filled triangle, OH maser – △, CH$_3$OH maser – *, H II region – ⊕, 1.2-mm source – – and the IRAS sources are indicated by their error ellipses.
Table 3. Gaussian fits to the C$^{18}$O, 13CO, and CS line profiles of the cloud core emission in each source (1). Both the centroid (2), (3), (4) and FWHM (5), (6), (7) velocities are given for each line.

| Source | C$^{18}$O | 13CO | CS | C$^{18}$O | 13CO | CS |
|--------|----------|------|----|----------|------|----|
|        | v$_{lsr}$ (km s$^{-1}$) |       |     | v$_{lsr}$ (km s$^{-1}$) |       |     |
| G333.6–0.2 | -47.7 | -48.6 | -47.7 | 6.1 | 7.5 | 7.0 |
| G333.1–0.4 | -52.7 | -52.6 | -52.2 | 6.1 | 7.4 | 6.8 |
| G333.2–0.5 | -58.5 | -58.3 | -57.7 | 5.9 | 7.7 | 7.0 |

in the Introduction (Section 1). For the oxygen isotopes, we adopt a ratio of X[18O]/[16O] = 100. These values are smaller than the broad Galactic scale values (Mlam et al. 2005), but taken into account of fractionation observed in cold dense core (Mladenović & Roueff 2014) and are consistent with Carolan et al. (2008) and Wiles et al. (2015). Assuming these values, we see from the Detection Equation that $\tau_{12CO} = T_{12CO}/T_{12CO}$, with $\tau_{12CO}$ then determined by the preceding formula (and similarly for $\tau_{C^{18}O}$).

We hence apply this analysis to determine the optical depth of the three CO isotopes lines, as a function of velocity. Furthermore, from standard molecular radiative transfer theory (e.g. Goldsmith & Langer 1999) we may show that the column density of the upper level of each transition is given by

$$N_u = \frac{8\pi k v^2}{A h c} T_e \frac{\tau}{1 - e^{-\tau}} \Delta v,$$

(2)

where $k$, $h$, and $c$ are the well-known physical constants, $v$ is the frequency of the transition, $A$ is the radiative decay rate, and $\Delta v$ is the channel velocity spacing. The optically thin case ($\tau \ll 1$) simply has the optical depth correction factor $\tau/(1 - e^{-\tau})$ set to unity.

Once $N_u$ has been determined the total molecular column density can be found by applying $N_{tot} = (N_u/g_u) Q(T_{ex}) e^{E_u/k T_{ex}}$, where $g_u = 2J + 1 = 3$ is the level degeneracy and the partition function is $Q(T_{ex}) = T_{ex}^3/\nu_0$ with $\nu_0 = h \nu/k$ at an assumed excitation temperature, $T_{ex}$. We take the values of $T_{ex}$ given in Table 4, which are the peak values of $T_{ex}$, measured for the 12CO line in each source. The observed 12CO lines are extremely optically thick, and it is possible that the actual $T_{ex}$ is higher than the temperature derived from the 12CO flux, thus understimating the total molecular column density. For a $T_{ex}$ of 60 K, the total column density would be almost double that of an excitation temperature of 30 K.

In Table 4, we also list the maximum value of the optical depth found in each source, which corresponds to the minimum value of the 12CO/18CO ratio, and the corresponding velocity. We also list the maximum values of 12CO/13CO and 12CO/18O found for each source and their corresponding velocity. These are seen to be very much less than the assumed abundance ratio, supporting the assumptions made above regarding the determination of the optical depth.

4.2 Molecular lines: outflows, infall, and turbulence

In order to determine the velocity extent of the outflow, we use the optical depth of 12CO (as calculated in equation 1) to plot a core Gaussian line shape from C$^{18}$O, and then from it to identify the outflow channels. The remaining profile (see Fig. 5) shows the presence of extended red- and blue-wings in each source (except G332.8–0.5 for which no blue wing is evident). We use these profiles to determine the velocity extent of the outflows, as listed in Table 5, as well as the line core, for each source. Table 6 lists the CO line fluxes that have then been determined over these velocity ranges, corrected for the beam efficiency. Table 7 provides the fluxes for the other lines observed in the line core velocity range. In Table 8, the corresponding column densities are listed, calculated according to method described above using the CO isotopologues. The table includes the upper state column density, $N_u$, for the 12CO (i.e. $J = 1$) and the total H$_2$ column density, $N_{total}$. $N_{total}$ includes a correction for the optical depth listed in the table (based on the C$^{18}$O line) for the integrated flux in the line core, but assumes optically thin emission for the outflow wings (the 13CO and C$^{18}$O lines are not detected with sufficient S/N in the outflow wings to determine their optical depth). A 12CO/H$_2$ abundance of 1.5 $\times$ 10$^{-5}$ is also assumed.

The molecular mass is given by $M_{H_2} = N_{total} \Omega d^2 \mu m_{H_2}$, where $\Omega$ is the solid angle (for which the Mopra beam size of 36 arcsec is used), the source distance $d = 3600$ pc, $m_{H_2}$ is the mass of a hydrogen molecule, and $\mu = 1.2$ is the factor taken as the mean mass per hydrogen molecule (for fully molecular gas and helium mass fraction 10 per cent). We estimate that the ubiquitous low-level ambient emission may add an error of up to 10 per cent to the measured flux densities and hence the masses. A larger possible source of error lies in the probable blending of features that is impossible to disentangle without higher excitation transitions and/or higher angular resolution.

We measure a mean length-scale $l$ for the outflows by calculating the offset of the peak pixels in the extreme velocity channels from the centre of the profile. We then derive a mean outflow time-scale $t_{outflow}$ given by $t_{outflow} = 2l/(v_b + v_f)$. Finally, we calculated the quantities that characterize the direct mechanical feedback effects of the outflows, specifically mass-loss rate $\dot{M}_{loss}$, momentum $\dot{P}$, mechanical force $F_{mech}$, mechanical power $L_{mech}$, kinetic energy $E_K$, and free-fall time $t_{ff}$:

$$M_{loss} = \frac{M_b + M_r}{t_{outflow}}$$

(3)

$$\dot{P} = |M_b v_b| + |M_r v_r|$$

(4)

$$F_{mech} = \frac{P}{t_{outflow}}$$

(5)

$$E_K = \frac{1}{2} \left( M_b v_b^2 + M_r v_r^2 \right)$$

(6)

$$L_{mech} = \frac{E_K}{t_{outflow}}$$

(7)

$$t_{ff} = \sqrt{3\pi/32 G \rho}.$$  

(8)

$ t_{ff} $ requires the average density $\rho$, determined from the average number density $n$ calculated as described in the next section (Section 4.3). The results of these calculations for the outflow parameters are given in Table 9, together with the dust-derived mass and luminosities (also taken from Section 4.3).

From Gaussian fits to the C$^{18}$O and CS line profiles, the cores have a velocity (FWHM) of 6–7 km s$^{-1}$ (Table 3). Assuming a gas temperature of 20 K, the Mach number is above 12, while for 100 K gas, which is the warm component of dust temperature from
for the balloon), inspection of the images across these wavebands showed that they were dominated by a single source, at least within the 20 arcsec resolution of the MSX and SIMBA data. The application of the FIR balloon data is particularly important in determining the source luminosity. The fitting applied a two-component grey-body of the form

$$F_\nu = \Omega_{\text{hot}} B_\nu(T_{\text{hot}}) + \Omega_{\text{warm}} B_\nu(T_{\text{warm}}) \epsilon_\nu,$$

where the dust emissivity is given by \( \epsilon_\nu = 1 - e^{-\tau_\nu} \), with the optical depth \( \tau_\nu = \tau_\nu(\nu/\nu_0)^\beta \), for a dust emissivity index \( \beta \) taken to be equal to 2. \( \tau_\nu \) corresponds to the wavelength \( \lambda_0 \) where the IR emission becomes optically thin (i.e., \( \tau_\nu \equiv 1 \)). Fitting provides estimate for \( T_{\text{hot}} \) and \( T_{\text{warm}} \), representative temperatures for the hot and warm components of the fit, although only the warm component can be interpreted as physical parameter characteristic of the source (see e.g. Hill et al. 2009). \( B_\nu \) is the Planck blackbody function. The angular sizes, \( \Omega_{\text{hot}} \) and \( \Omega_{\text{warm}} \), provide an effective source size for the IR emission, \( \tau_{\nu_{\text{hot}}} \) and \( \tau_{\nu_{\text{warm}}} \) at the distance to the source of 3.6 kpc. For reference, 0.1 pc corresponds to an angular size of 6 arcsec, unresolvable with this data. The best-fitting parameters are listed in Table 11.

The fitting also provides a source luminosity (the area under the SED), and a dust mass. The latter is derived from the optically thin 1.2-mm (250-GHz) emission in conjunction with \( T_{\text{warm}} \), the dust temperature determined for the extended, warm component (which dominates the total flux) as follows:

$$M(\text{dust}) = \frac{F_\nu D^2}{\kappa_\nu B_\nu(T_{\text{warm}})}.$$

The total mass opacity coefficient was taken as \( \kappa_{250\text{GHz}} = 0.005 \text{ g}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2 \) and the gas:dust mass ratio assumed to be 100. The core masses derived from the CO lines and the dust mass derived from the continuum are both given in Table 11. As can be seen, the masses derived using the two methods are in good agreement given the assumptions made, differing by less than a factor of 3.

Luminosities are found to be \( 5-10 \times 10^5 \text{ L}_\odot \), dust masses a few thousand solar masses, and dust temperatures from 70 to 100 K for the three sources. Note that including the extended emission around G333.6–0.2 nearly doubles the determined luminosity and dust mass from the region, but the other parameters determined are little changed. The dust luminosity to mass ratio is found to be \( \sim 400 \text{ L}_\odot / \text{ M}_\odot \) in all cases. Given the fitted source size it is also possible to calculate the average density, column density, and angular sizes.

4 Note however that for G333.6–0.2 the emission is somewhat more extended, so we also repeated the fitting for an aperture which includes all the emission within a 3 arcmin aperture.

### Table 4. Line-derived excitation temperatures, isotopologue intensity ratios, and optical depths. The excitation temperature \( T_{\text{ex}} \) (2) is determined from the brightest value of \( ^{12}\text{CO} T_{\text{A}}^* \) found in each source (1), divided by \( \eta_{\text{lsr}} \), at the \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) velocity listed (3). The maximum value for the isotopologue ratios \( ^{12}\text{CO}/^{13}\text{CO} \) (4) and \( ^{12}\text{CO}/^{13}\text{CO} \) (6) are also listed, together with the corresponding \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) velocities (5), (7) where this occurs. The maximum value for the optical depth (8) is determined from the minimum value of the \( ^{12}\text{CO}/^{13}\text{CO} \) ratio, and occurs at the velocity (9) indicated.

| Source          | \( T_{\text{ex}} \) (K) | \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( ^{12}\text{CO}/^{13}\text{CO}_{\text{max}} \) | \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( ^{12}\text{CO}/^{13}\text{CO}_{\text{max}} \) | \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( \tau_{\nu_{\text{max}}} \) (K) | \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) |
|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| G333.6–0.2      | 30                     | −50.4                                    | 6.4                                         | −55.7                                    | 25.2                                        | −52.2                                    | 73                                       | −44.7                                    |
| G333.1–0.4      | 33                     | −50.9                                    | 4.4                                         | −62.9                                    | 24.8                                        | −57.4                                    | 20                                       | −53.6                                    |
| G332.8–0.5      | 17                     | −59.7                                    | 4.3                                         | −51.6                                    | 13.8                                        | −53.3                                    | 37                                       | −58.3                                    |

### Figure 5. Optical depth-corrected, subtracted profiles, showing the outflow wings for each source. From top to bottom are shown G333.6–0.2, G333.1–0.4, and G332.8–0.5, respectively. The dotted line shows the \( ^{12}\text{CO} \) line profile and the dashed line the Gaussian fit to the \(^{13}\text{CO} \) profile, respectively, scaled to the peak intensity of the optical-depth corrected \(^{12}\text{CO} \) line. The solid line shows the optical-depth-corrected \(^{12}\text{CO} \) profile with this scaled fit subtracted off (note that in the line core, where this subtraction is imperfect due to the scaling, it has been blanked out). This line represents the outflow profile. The y-axis scale is \( T_{\text{A}}^* \) in K and the x-axis is the \( \nu_{\text{lsr}} \) velocity in km s\(^{-1}\).

### 4.3 Dust continuum

SEDs were fitted to the fluxes for the IR emission associated with the three sources (G333.6–0.2, G333.1–0.4, and G332.8–0.5). These fluxes were determined from a combination of MSX (8–21 \( \mu \)m), IRAS (25–100 \( \mu \)m), the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR) balloon-borne telescope measurements at 150 and 210 \( \mu \)m (Karnik et al. 2001), and 1.2-mm emission measured using SEST/SIMBA (Mookerjea et al. 2004), as listed in Table 10. While the IRAS and balloon measurements used large apertures (3 arcmin spectral energy distribution (SED) fits (Table 11), the Mach number is 6. Thus, the turbulence of the cores are highly supersonic.
Table 5. Measured outflow parameters. The columns are as follows: (1) source; (2) and (3) RA and Dec (J2000) giving the position of spectra shown in Fig. 2; (4) and (5) \( v_{B1} \) and \( v_{B2} \), giving velocity limits for blueshifted outflow; (6) and (7) \( v_{R1} \) and \( v_{R2} \), velocity limits for redshifted outflows; (8) and (9) \( v_{\text{mean}} \) and \( v_{\text{mean}}^{\text{redshift}} \), the mean projected velocity of blue and redshifted outflows; (10) position angle for the outflow in the plane of the sky, measured from N. Outflow velocities are determined after subtracting the scaled Gaussian fits to the \(^{13}\text{CO} \) line from the extinction-corrected \(^{12}\text{CO} \) line profile (see text) (note: no blueshifted emission is detectable in the line profile for G332.8–0.5). The line core emission is taken as between \( v_{B1} \) and \( v_{R1} \). Parameters calculated for the core and outflow given in other tables use these velocity limits, together with the line centre velocities given by the fit to the \(^{13}\text{CO} \) profile (see Table 3).

| Source        | RA           | Dec          | \( v_{B1} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( v_{B2} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( v_{R1} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( v_{R2} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( v_{\text{mean}} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | \( v_{\text{mean}}^{\text{redshift}} \) (km s\(^{-1}\)) | Position Angle (° of N) |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| G333.6–0.2    | 16:22:09.0   | −50:06:21    | −69                           | −57                           | −37                           | −26                           | 15.3                           | 16.2                           | 34                      |
| G333.1–0.4    | 16:21:03.3   | −50:35:12    | −75                           | −63                           | −43                           | −37                           | 16.3                           | 12.7                           | 351                     |
| G332.8–0.5    | 16:20:08.9   | −50:53:14    | −86                           | −49                           | −49                           | −37                           | 15.5                           | −                        | —                      |

Table 6. Line fluxes for outflows and core, and their 1\( \sigma \) errors, \( T_{\text{MB}} \Delta v \), in K km s\(^{-1}\) (i.e. corrected for beam efficiency), for the three CO isotopologues measured in each source (1). For the \(^{12}\text{CO} \) line the fluxes for the blue (2) and redshifted (4) outflows are determined over the velocity ranges defined in Table 5. The line core velocity range used for the fluxes of \(^{12}\text{CO} \) (3), \(^{13}\text{CO} \) (5) and \(^{18}\text{O} \) (6) lines is between \( v_{B1} \) and \( v_{R1} \) in Table 5. For each flux the corresponding error is listed. The errors include the random errors and an estimate in the uncertainty for the continuum level.

| Source        | \(^{12}\text{CO} \) Blue | \(^{12}\text{CO} \) Core | \(^{12}\text{CO} \) Red | \(^{13}\text{CO} \) Core | \(^{13}\text{CO} \) Core | \(^{18}\text{O} \) Core |
|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| (1)           | (2)                    | (3)                    | (4)                    | (5)                    | (6)                    |
| G333.6–0.2    | 41 ± 3                 | 218 ± 4                | 42 ± 2                 | 66 ± 3                 | 15 ± 2                 |
| G333.1–0.4    | 42 ± 2                 | 369 ± 5                | 15 ± 2                 | 102 ± 3                | 22 ± 2                 |
| G332.8–0.5    | −2 ± 2                 | 174 ± 4                | 39 ± 3                 | 68 ± 3                 | 14 ± 2                 |

Table 7. Fluxes for non-CO lines in Table 2 together with their 1\( \sigma \) errors, \( T_{\text{MB}} \Delta v \), in K km s\(^{-1}\) (i.e. corrected for beam efficiency), measured in the core component of each source. The errors include the random errors and an estimate in the uncertainty for the continuum level. The velocity range used is between \( v_{B2} \) and \( v_{R1} \) in Table 5.

| Source        | CS     | HCO\(^+\) | \(^{13}\text{CO} \) \(^{15}\text{N}\) | SiO   | N\(_2\)H\(^+\) |
|---------------|--------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| (1)           | (2)    | (3)       | (4)                                  | (5)   | (6)           |
| G333.6–0.2    | 32 ± 2 | 19 ± 2    | 6.3 ± 3.1                            | 1.2 ± 1.3 | 8.3 ± 1.3     |
| G333.1–0.4    | 53 ± 2 | 35 ± 1    | 8.4 ± 2.5                            | 4.2 ± 1.3 | 19 ± 3.7      |
| G332.8–0.5    | 24 ± 2 | 15 ± 1    | 4.2 ± 1.5                            | 1.3 ± 1.1 | 14 ± 1.4      |

5 SUMMARY

We have used extensive molecular line data obtained with the Mopra radio telescope to search for evidence of outflow and infall associated with massive star formation in the G333 GMC complex. The complexity of such sources where widespread massive star formation is under way makes such searches difficult. Evidence is generally required from a variety of molecular species and their isotopologues to unravel the competing effects of multiple sources, optical depth, and different evolutionary states within the region. We have used data on the 3-mm-band emission from eight molecular species, including three isotopologues of CO, dense gas tracers such as CS and N\(_2\)H\(^+\), and shock tracers such as HCO\(^+\) and SiO, together with archival continuum data from four IR surveys (Spitzer/GLIMPSE, MSX, IRAS, TIFR balloon), for this purpose. The line data have 0.6 arcmin and 0.1 km s\(^{-1}\) spatial and spectral resolution, and we have used them to determine physical parameters for sources in G333 to characterize their properties.

We have identified three massive star-forming sources within G333 showing evidence of both inflow and outflow: G333.6–0.2, G333.1–0.4, and G332.8–0.5. Outflow is evident by the broad wings to some of the line profiles, and inflow by line splitting. These three sources are at different evolutionary states, with G332.8–0.5 at the earliest stage of star formation with the IR sources and H\(^{\uparrow}\) regions least prominent, and vice versa for G333.6–0.2. G333.1–0.4 lies in between all sources show broad profiles characteristics of outflows. This is particularly prominent in the blue wings for G333.6–0.2 and G331.1–0.4, but only evident in the red-wing for G332.8–0.5; the blue-wing is absent in this latter source. A clear outflow axis can be defined between the offset red and blue lobes for the first two sources, though the outflow itself remains morphologically poorly defined, in contrast to outflows seen in typical LMSFRs.

Infall signatures are also apparent in the form of a red–blue asymmetry in all three sources, the line being self-absorbed by a cold, central continuum source. G333.6–0.2 is the most extreme with a splitting of ~15 km s\(^{-1}\), and G332.8–0.5 the least at ~5 km s\(^{-1}\).

We have used the ratio of the three CO isotopologues to correct for optical depth at each velocity channel, and so determine the
column density for the line core as well as the outflow lobes. From this we are able to determine their masses, as well as estimate mass-loss rates, outflow mechanical energies and luminosities. Typical outflow masses are $10^{4}$–$10^{5} M_{\odot}$ in each lobe, compared to core masses of the order of $10^{2} M_{\odot}$. Outflow size scales are a few tenths of a parsec, time-scales are several × $10^3$ yr and mass-loss rates a few × $10^{-4} M_{\odot}$ yr$^{-1}$. Flow momenta are $\sim$1000 $M_{\odot}$ km s$^{-1}$ and their mechanical luminosities a few ×10$^4$ $L_{\odot}$. The source SEDs were used to calculate their luminosities, then by fitting to a two-component grey-body model also the dust mass, dust temperature, and source size for the extended component. Luminosities are $\sim$10$^5$ $L_{\odot}$, dust masses a few ×10$^5$ $M_{\odot}$ (similar to
that inferred from the line emission), dust temperatures $\sim$100 K, and sizes $\sim0.1$ pc. This yields number densities of a few $10^6$ cm$^{-3}$ and luminosity/mass ratios, $L/M \sim 400$ L$_{\odot}$/M$_{\odot}$. The dust luminosity is also similar to that inferred from the hydrogen Br$_\gamma$ flux for G333.6–0.2.

Parameters for the infall may also be inferred from the line splitting in the profiles. However, this is a complex procedure, as the radiative transfer needs to be considered. Estimates cannot simply be made from the magnitude of the line splitting, but must consider the medium through which the radiation passes. This requires a more sophisticated approach than that presented here, and involves modelling of the source geometry as well as its physical characteristics in order to yield line profiles. In a companion paper (Wiles et al. 2015), we apply such a 3D radiative transfer analysis making use of the code MOLLIE, which is able to consider the competing contributions of the outflow, infall and ambient gas, which may also have different densities, temperatures, and chemical compositions, in order to provide an estimate of the source parameters, and in particular to yield mass infall rates and infall speeds from the data set.

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