

Extra-solar planets

Detection techniques and results

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Topics

- Day 1:

- Planet formation: a short introduction
- Direct detection and astrometry
- The Radial-velocity technique

- Day 2:

- Transits
- (Very) briefly: other planet detection methods
- Exoplanets: Results and future

Where do planets form: disks

- Radio astronomy (mm-wavelengths)
 - Presence of molecules (CO, NH, ...) + continuum emission
- Infra-red astronomy
 - Dust continuum emission
- Imaging
 - IR and optical
 - Debris disks and silhouette disks



**Edge-On Protoplanetary Disk
Orion Nebula**

PRC95-45c · ST ScI OPO · November 20, 1995

M. J. McCaughrean (MPIA), C. R. O'Dell (Rice University), NASA



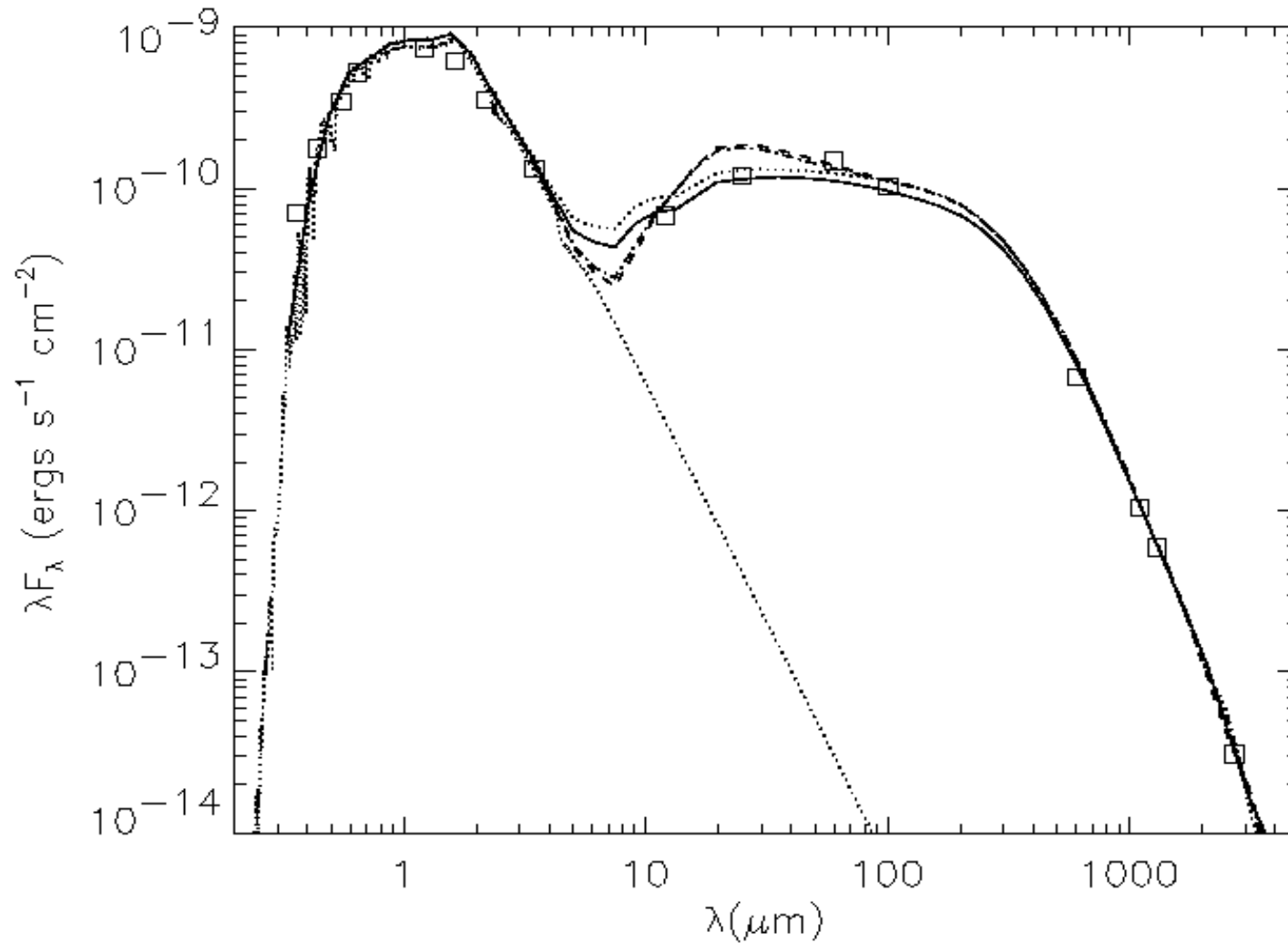
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“Disks” in optical light

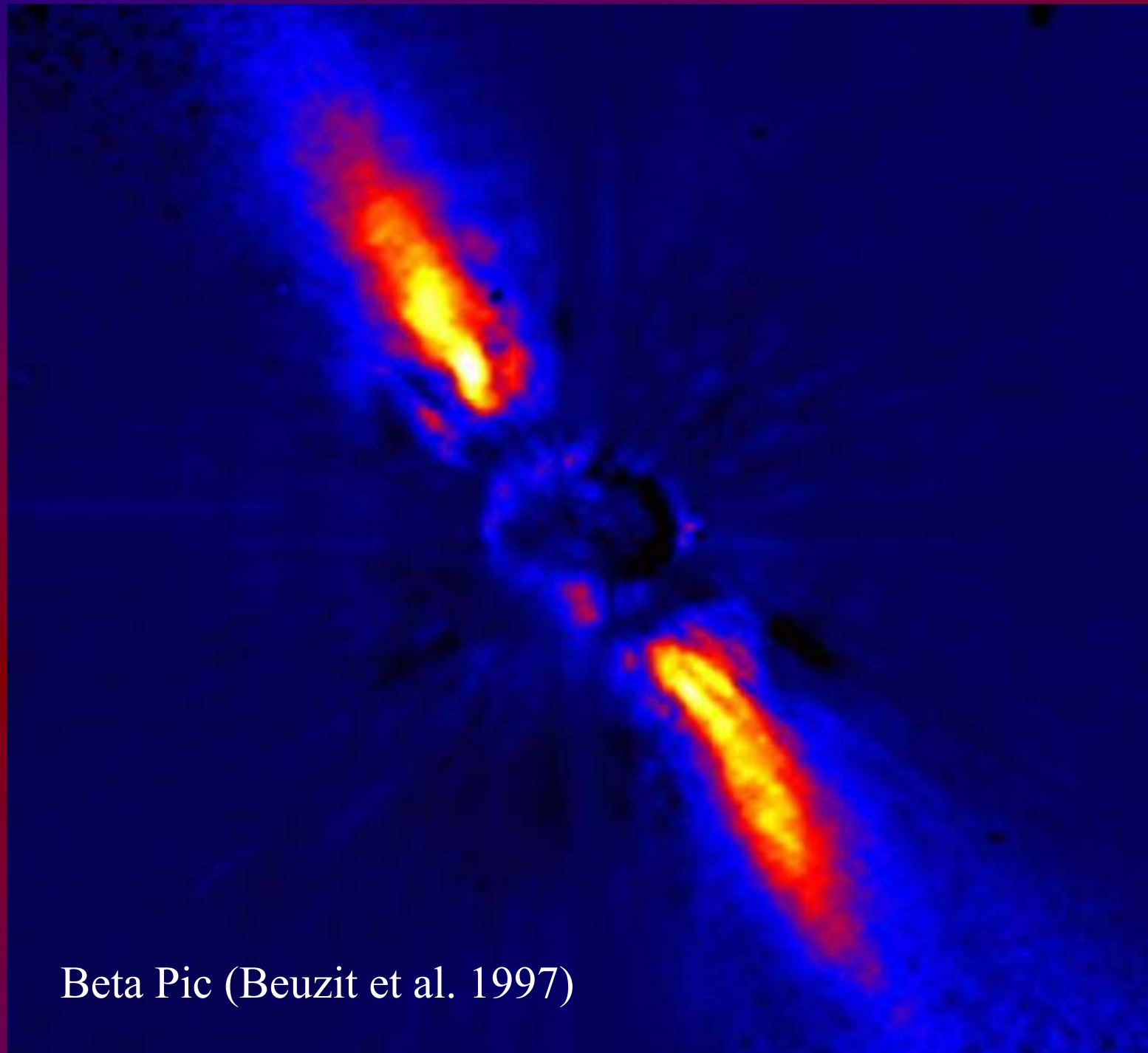
Disk presence from IR photometry

GM Aurigae

Rice et al. (2003)



Debris
disks
(remains
from
proto-
planetary
disk)



Beta Pic (Beuzit et al. 1997)

Disk properties (mostly from IR phot)

- Masses:
 - $0.001\text{--}0.2\ M_{\text{sun}}$ (Beckwith 1996) (peek at 0.05)
- Accretion rate:
 - $10^{-8}\ M_{\text{sun}}/\text{year}$ (at 1Myr) (Hartmann et al. 1998)
- Lifetimes:
 - 10^7 years (Haisch 2001)
- Radius:
 - 50-500 AU (McCaughrean 1996)


From disk to planets

E. Kant (1724-1804):

Solar system formed in
a disk around the young
Sun



One planetary system: the solar system

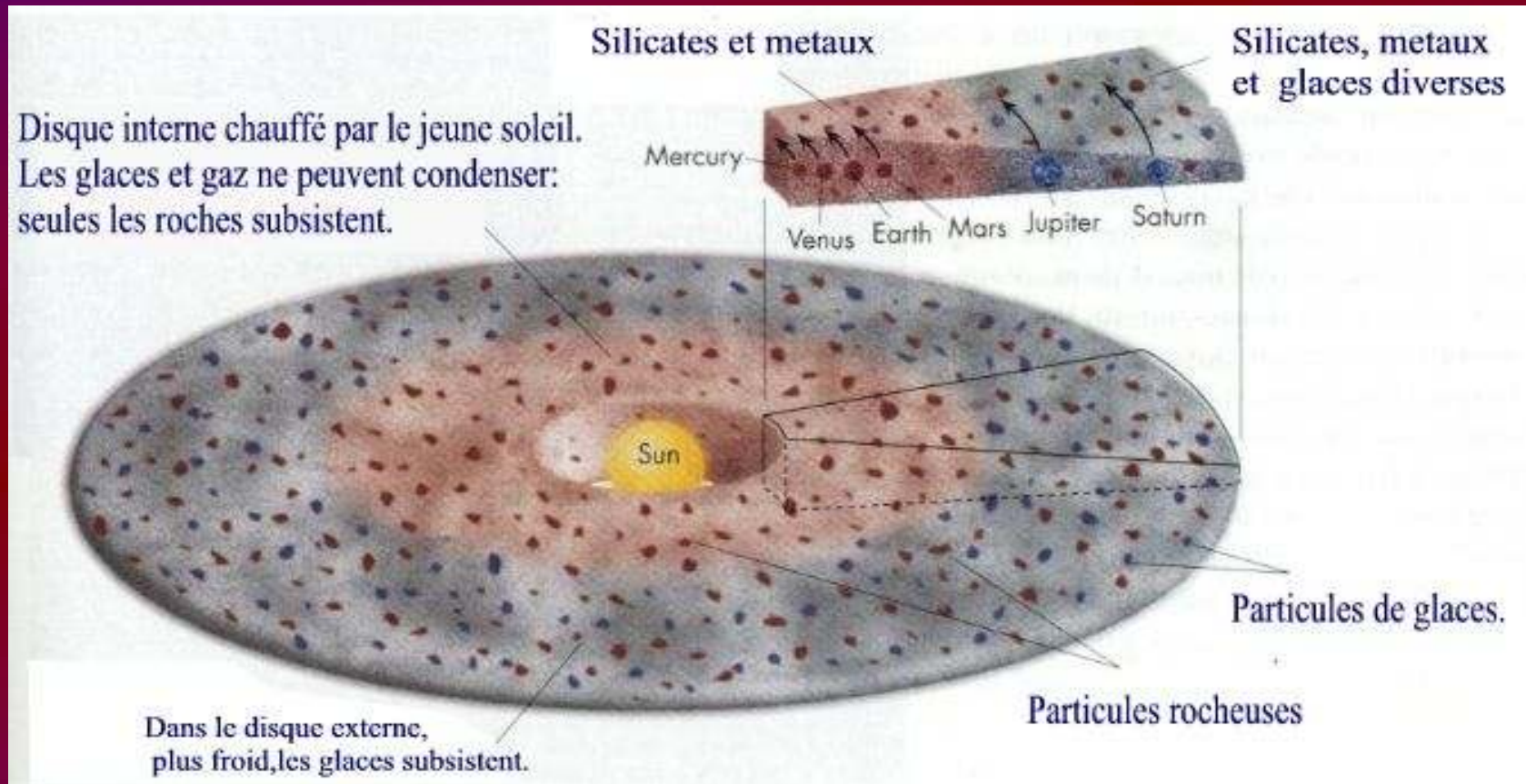
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- A detailed diagram of the solar system. At the center is a large, glowing orange-yellow Sun. Concentric elliptical orbits are shown as light blue lines. Planets are placed along these orbits: Mercury (small blue sphere), Venus (light blue sphere), Earth (blue and white sphere), Mars (small reddish-brown sphere), Jupiter (large orange and white banded sphere), Saturn (large orange sphere with prominent rings), Uranus (medium blue-green sphere), and Neptune (medium blue sphere). The Asteroid Belt is represented by a ring of small grey rocks between Mars and Jupiter. The Kuiper Belt is a ring of small grey objects beyond Neptune. The Oort cloud is a distant, sparse collection of small grey objects at the very edge of the system. The background is a dark blue grid.
- Rocky planets (Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars)
 - Asteroide Belt (e.g. Ceres)
 - Giant planets with icy moons (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune)
 - Kuiper Belt Objects (Pluto, Eris, ...)
 - Oort cloud: long period comets

Basic evidence (dynamics)

- Solar System planets have \sim coplanar orbits
- Most planets have \sim circular orbits
- Most planets rotate in same direction as orbit
- Most satellites rotate in same direction
- L of planets is much above that of Sun
- Orbital planes are “parallel” to solar-equator
- Asteroid and Kuiper belt objects orbits

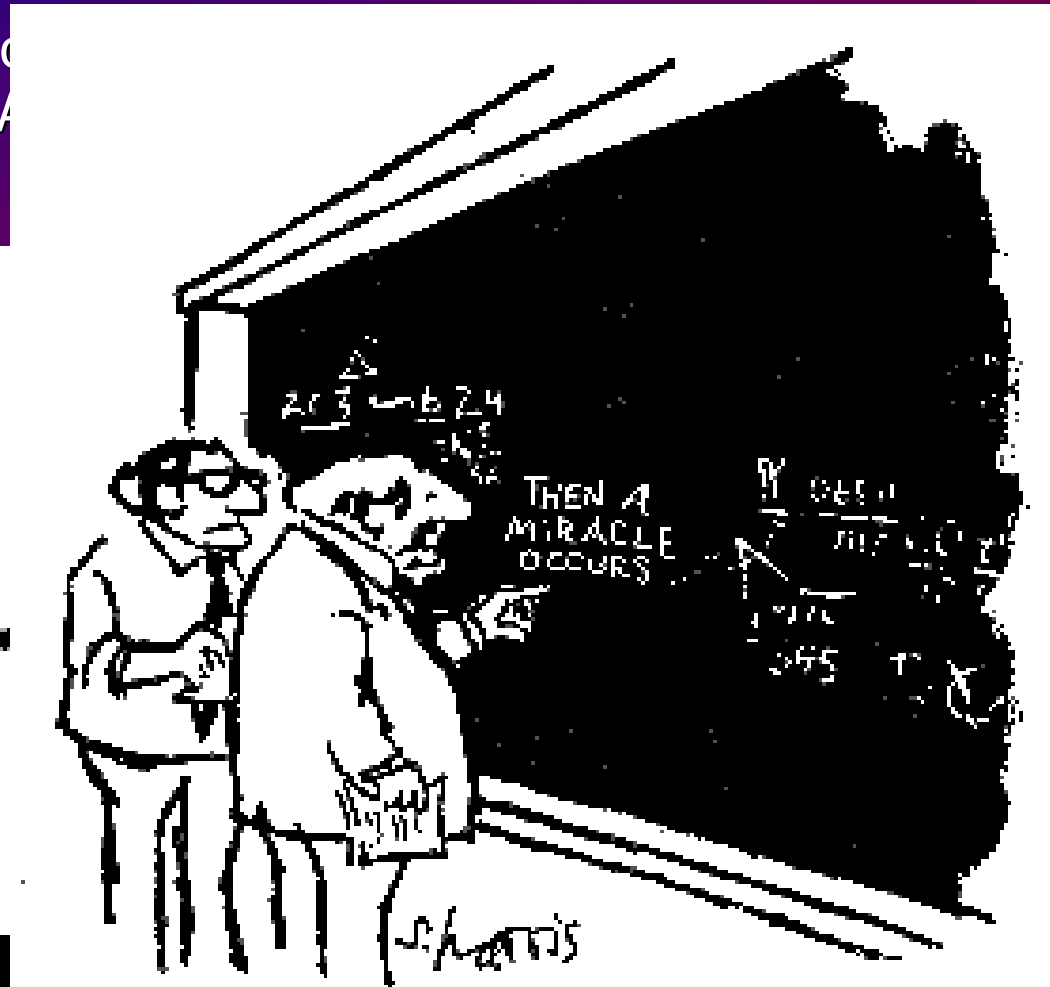
Basic evidence (chemistry)

- Temperature gradient: >3.2 AU ices can condensate
- Explains different density and composition of planets

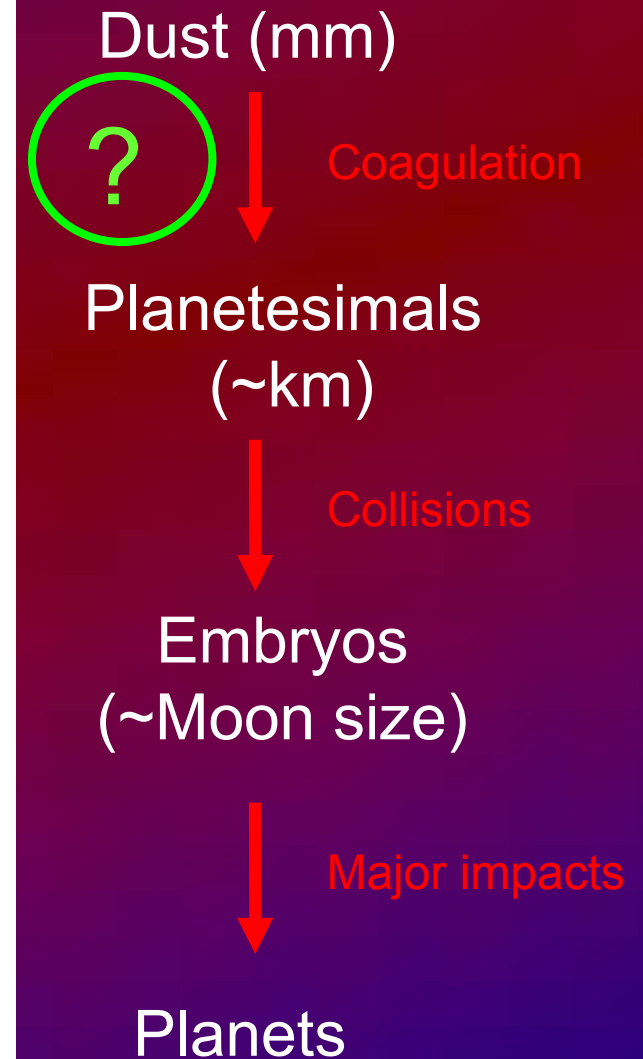


Rocky planet formation (Safranov 1969)

Inner region



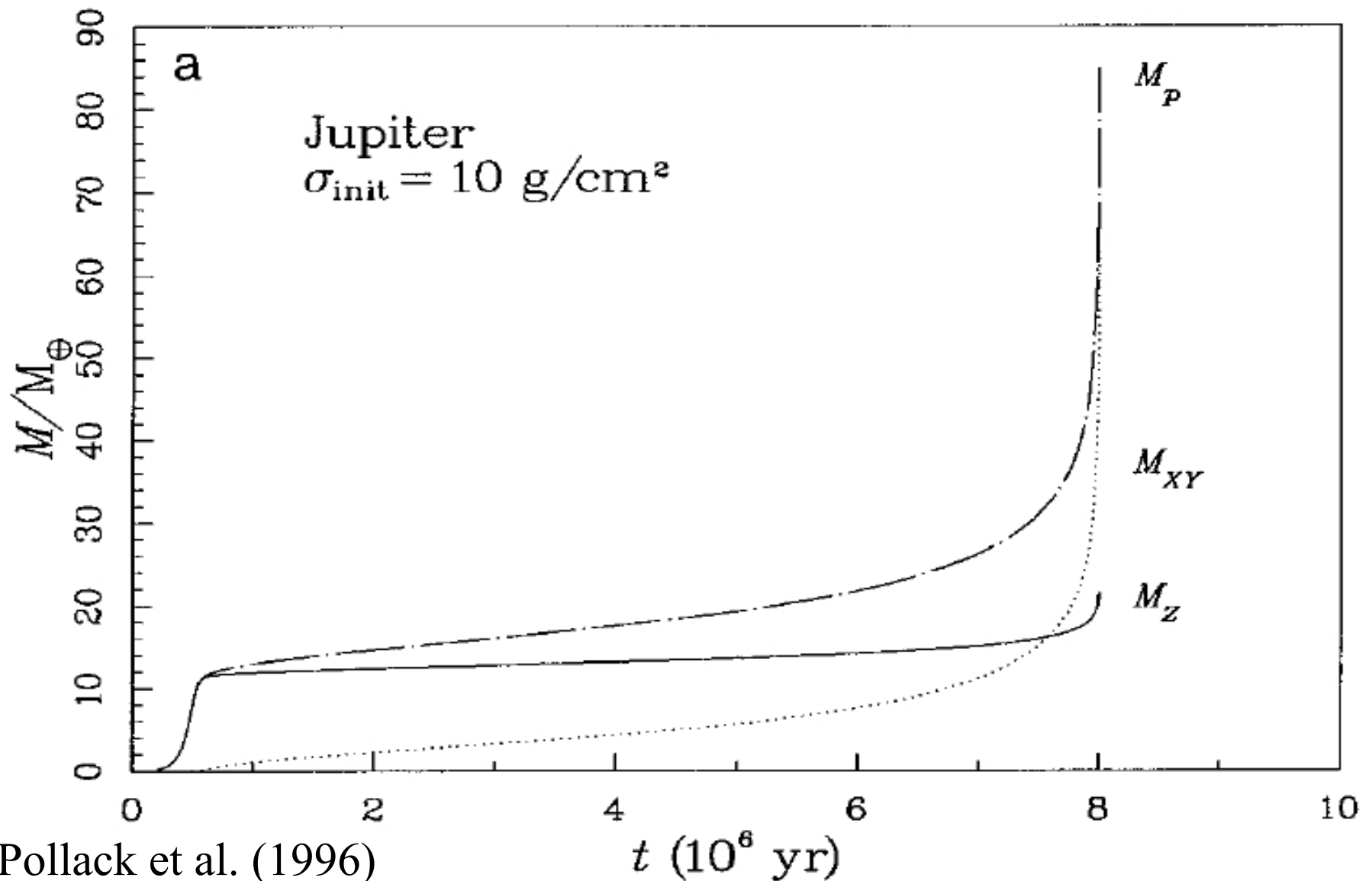
"I think you should be more explicit here in step two."



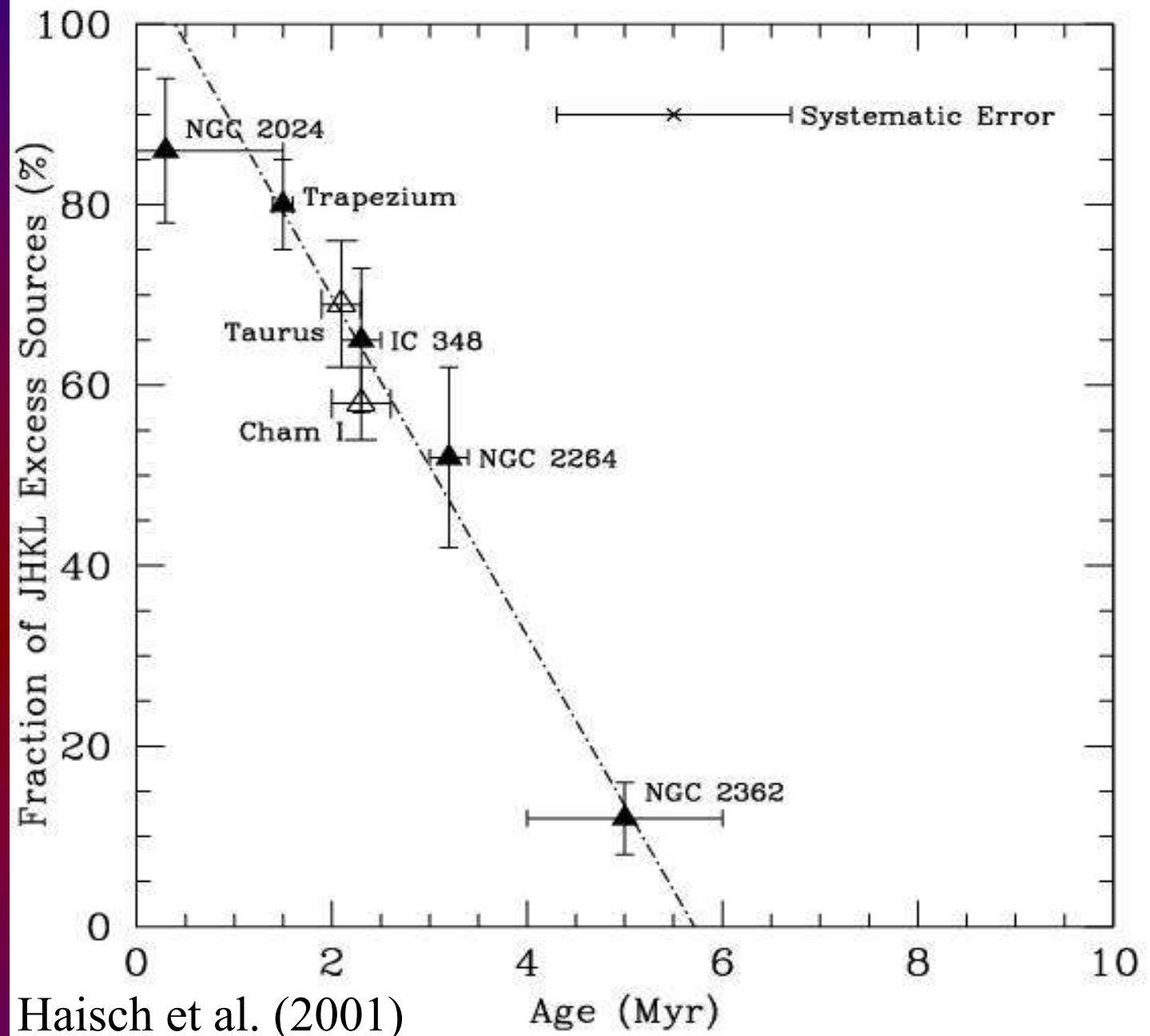
How do giant planets form?

- Giant planets form by core-accretion
(e.g. Mizuno 1980; Pollack et al. 1996)
- Two step process:
 - Solid (icy) nucleus with 10-20 Earth mass
 - Only possible to form far from the star ($\sim 3.2\text{AU}$)
- Accreted gas around to form giant planet (e.g. Jupiter)
- Uranus and Neptune take longer than Jupiter

Problem with timescale?



Disk lifetimes from IR photometry

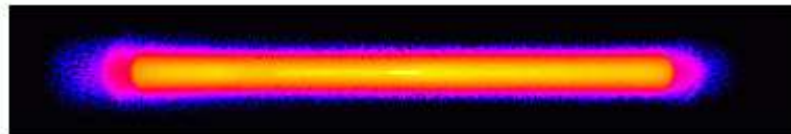
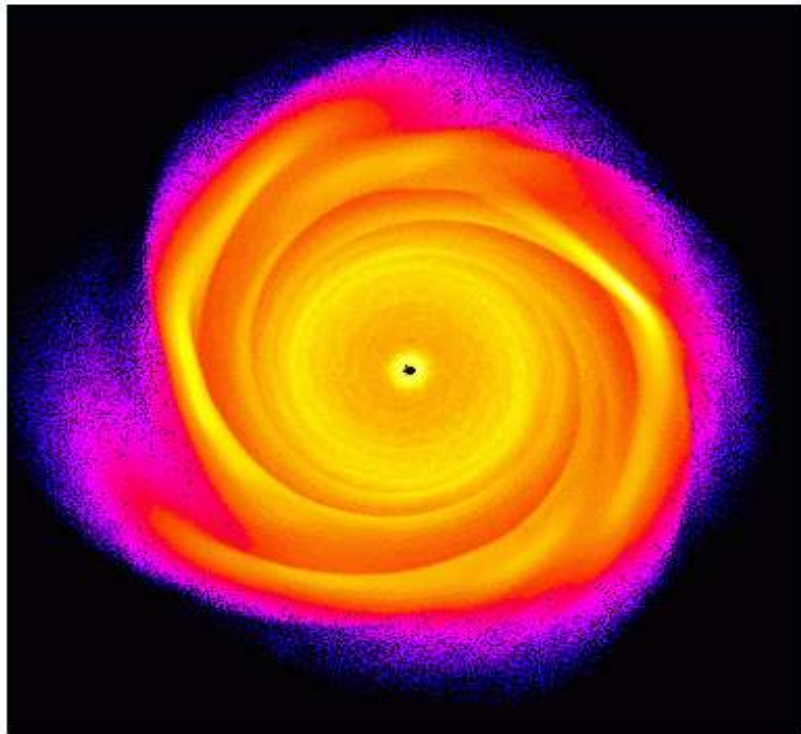


Do we need another model?

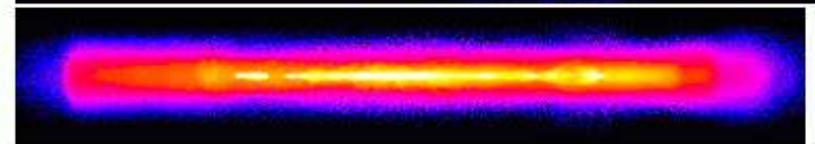
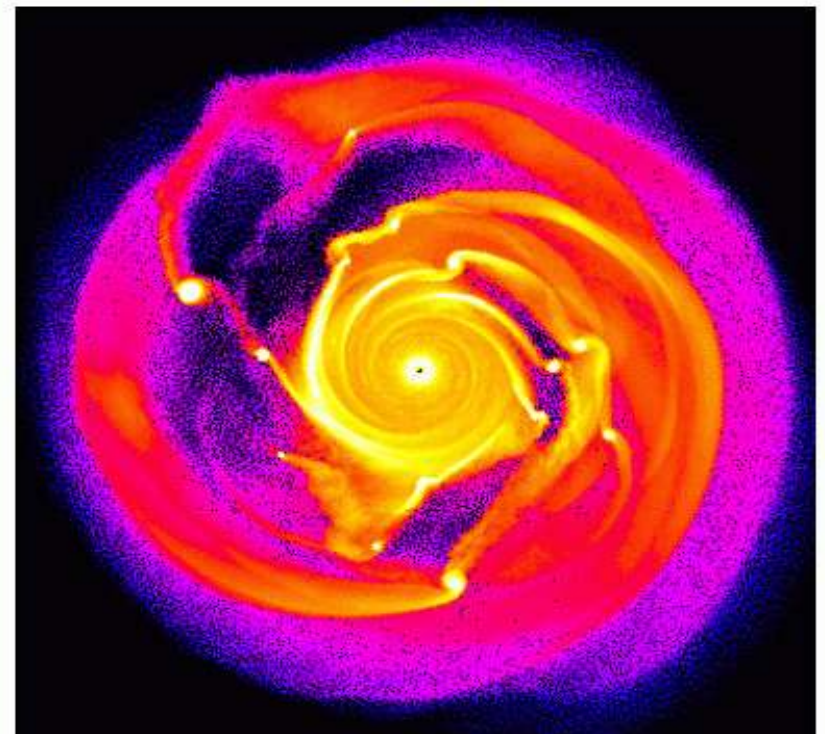
- Disk instability models:
- Planet formed from a gravitational instability in the disk (Boss 1997; Mayer 2000)
- Advantage: formation is very fast
- Disadvantage: not clear if embryos survive

Disk Evolution, $Q_{\min} \sim 1.4$

1 million particles, locally isothermal eq. of state, $R=20$ AU



T=160 yr



T=350 yr

Mayer et al. 2000

Is there really a problem?

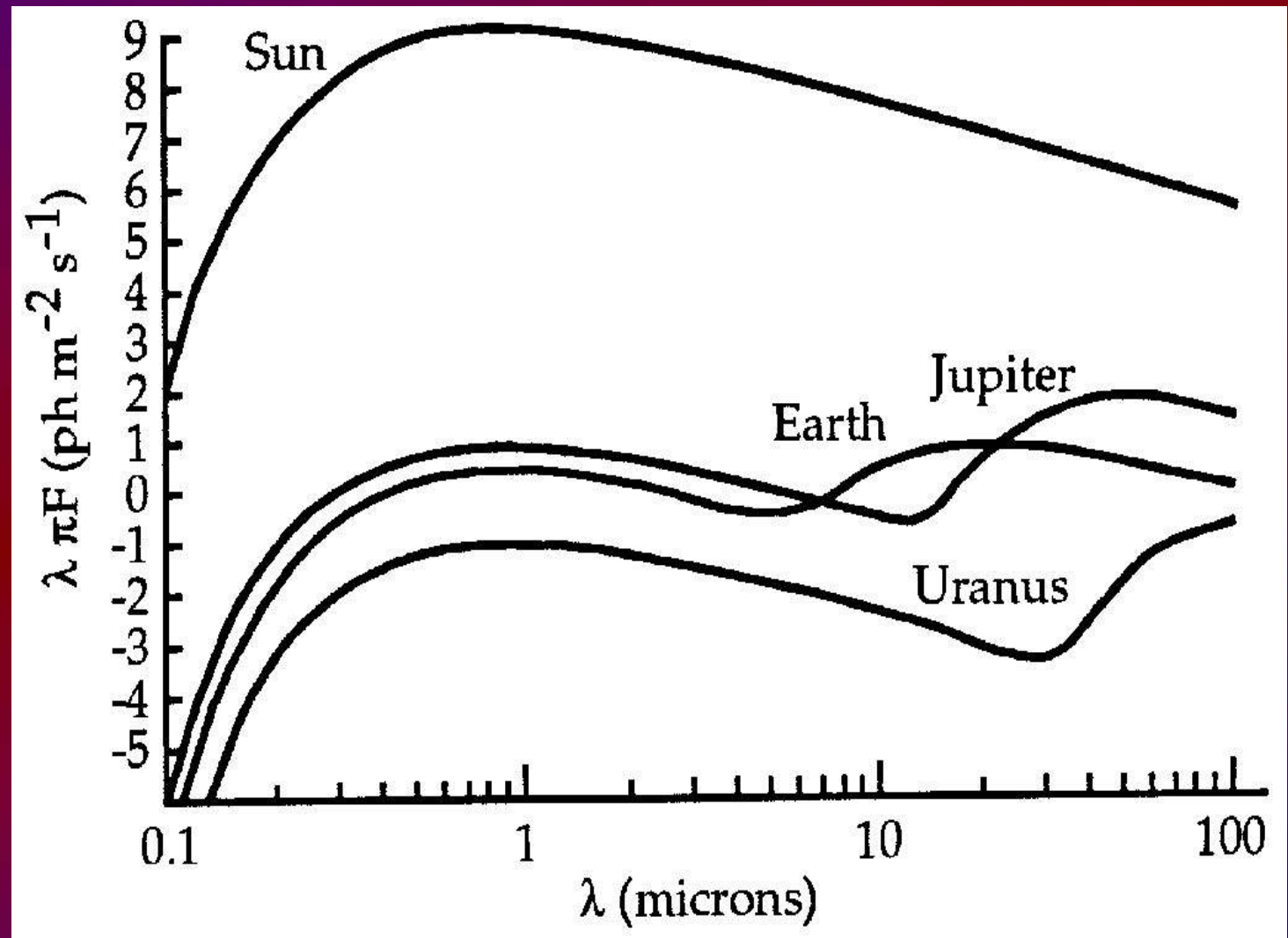
- Maybe disks can last longer than previously thought (Bary et al. 2003 – H₂ detection)
- Can we accelerate core accretion model?
- Yes! Including planet migration, disk evolution and/or random motion (Alibert et al. 2004; Rice et al. 2003)
 - Giant Planets formed after ~ 1 Myr

How to find a planet?

- Direct imaging
- Indirect methods:
 - Astrometry
 - Radial-velocities
 - Gravitational microlensing
 - Photometry

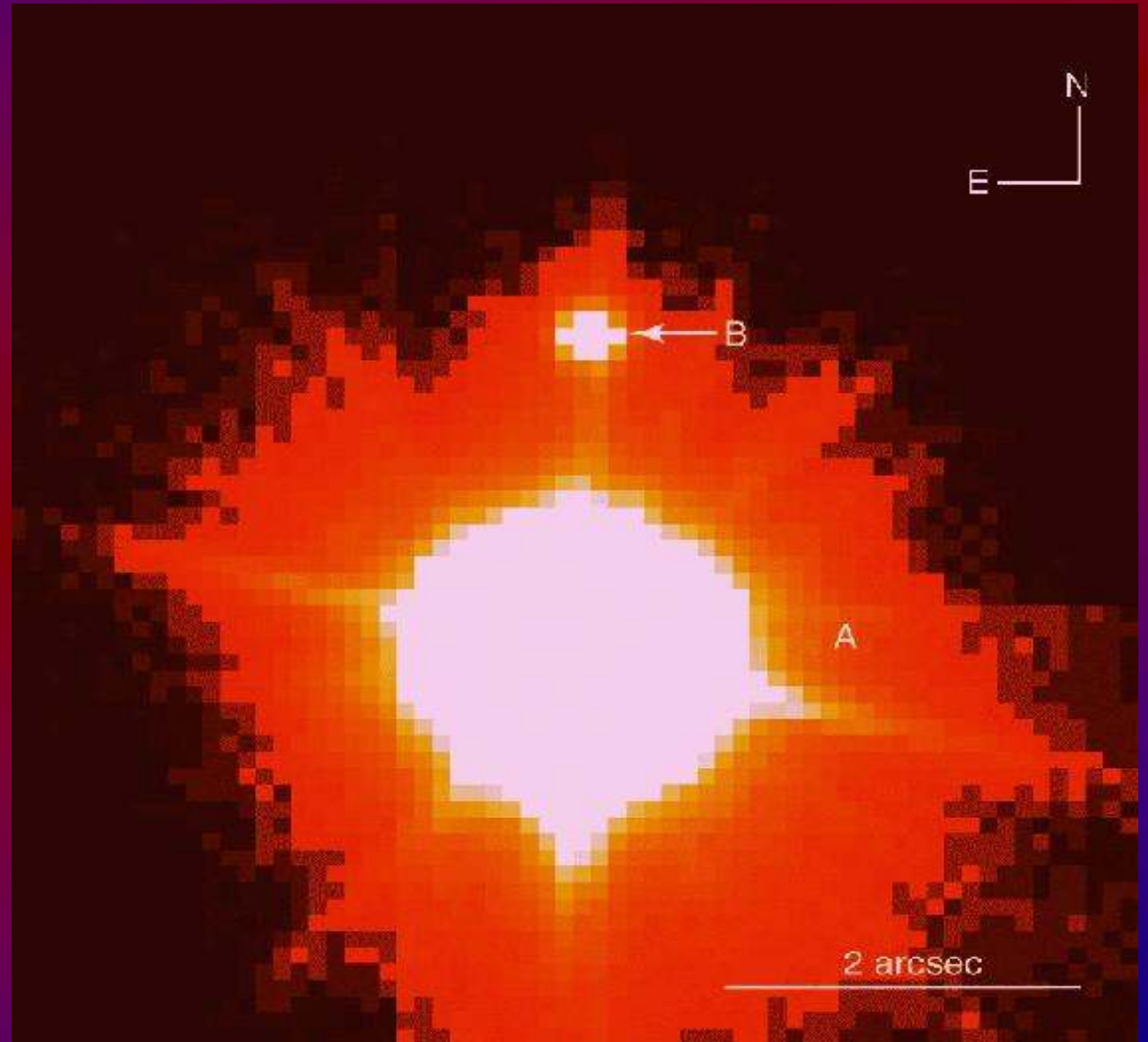
Direct Imaging

- Optical: star is 10^6 - 10^9 times brighter than planet!



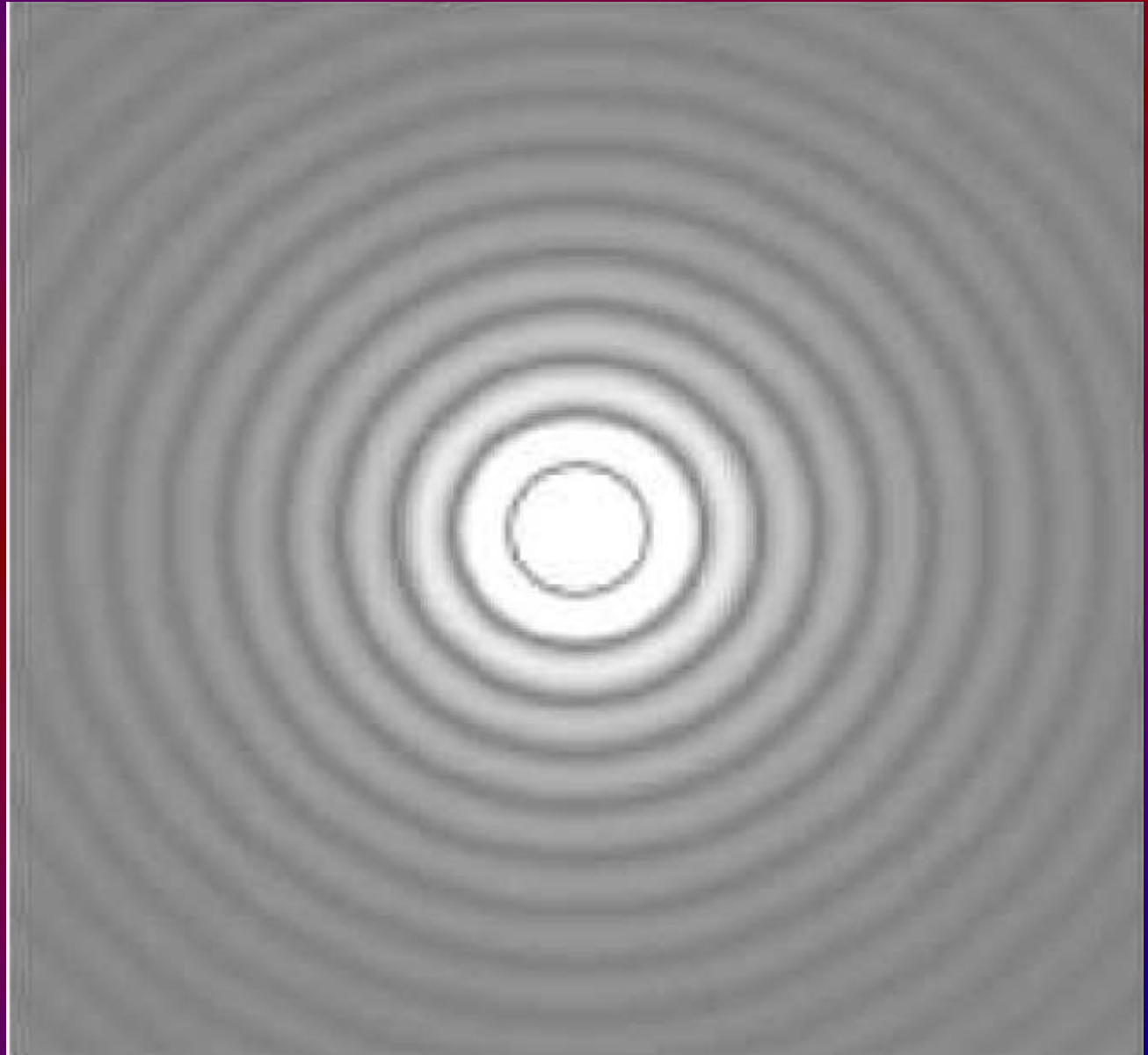
Direct Imaging

- Small separation between star and planet (Sun_Jup: 0.5 mas @ 10pc)
- Planet “lost” in stellar PSF
- Optical: star is $\sim 10^6$ times brighter than planet!



Airy pattern

- The image of a star through circular aperture telescope



Atmospheric turbulence (seeing)

Good seeing conditions



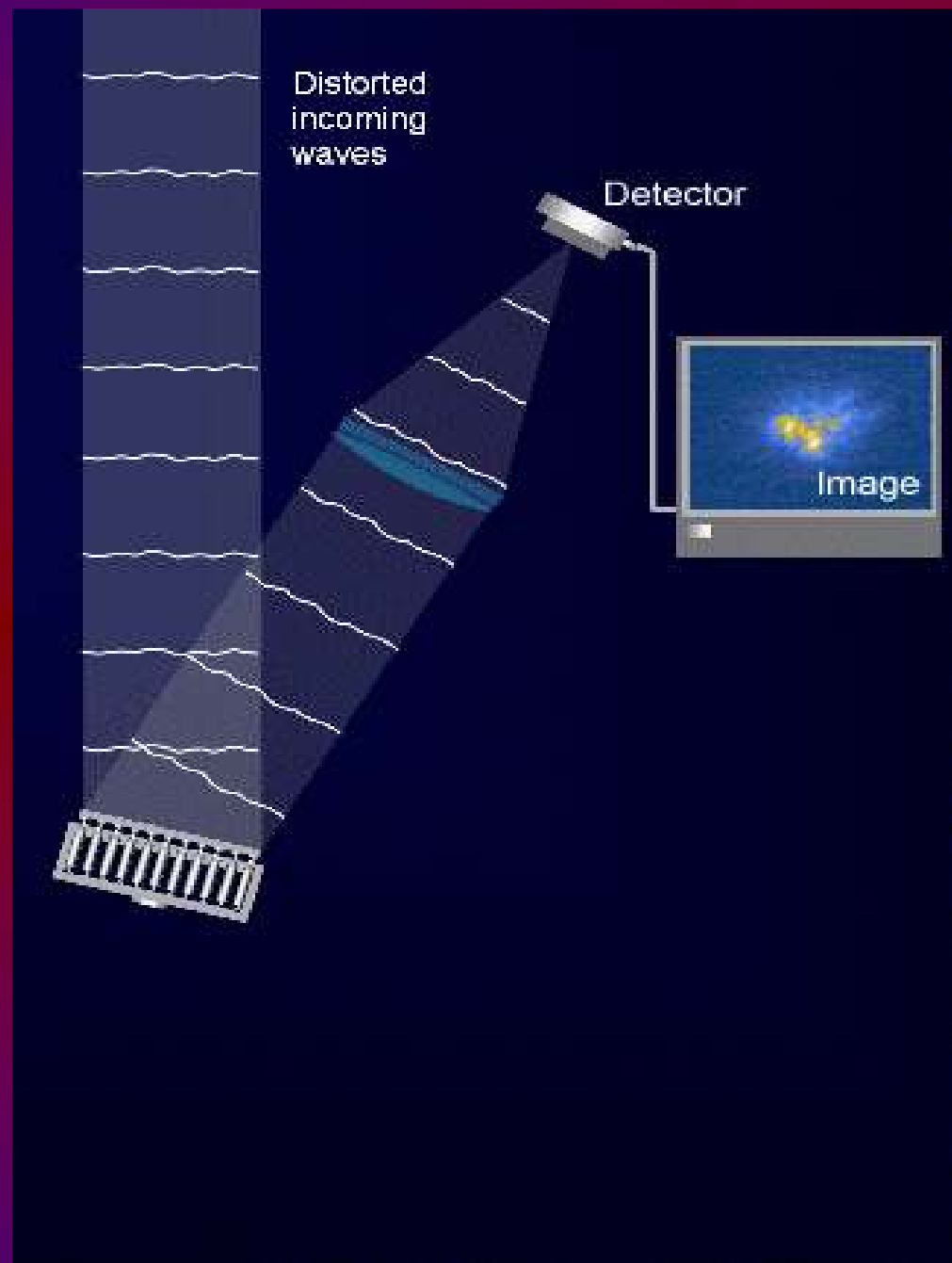
Bad seeing conditions



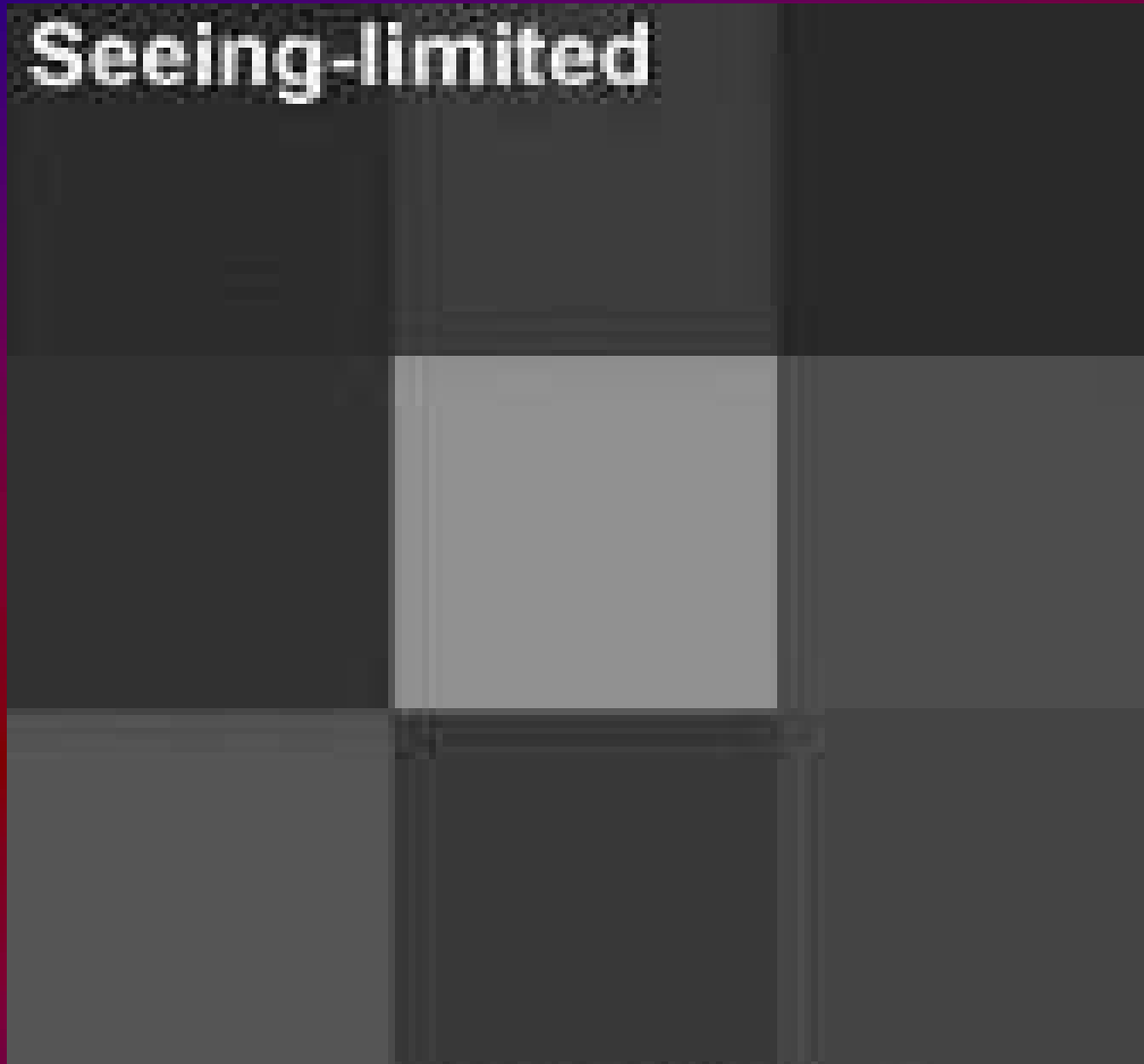
The principle of Adaptive optics

Correct the wavefront
to obtain diffraction
limited images

$$R=1.22 \lambda/D$$



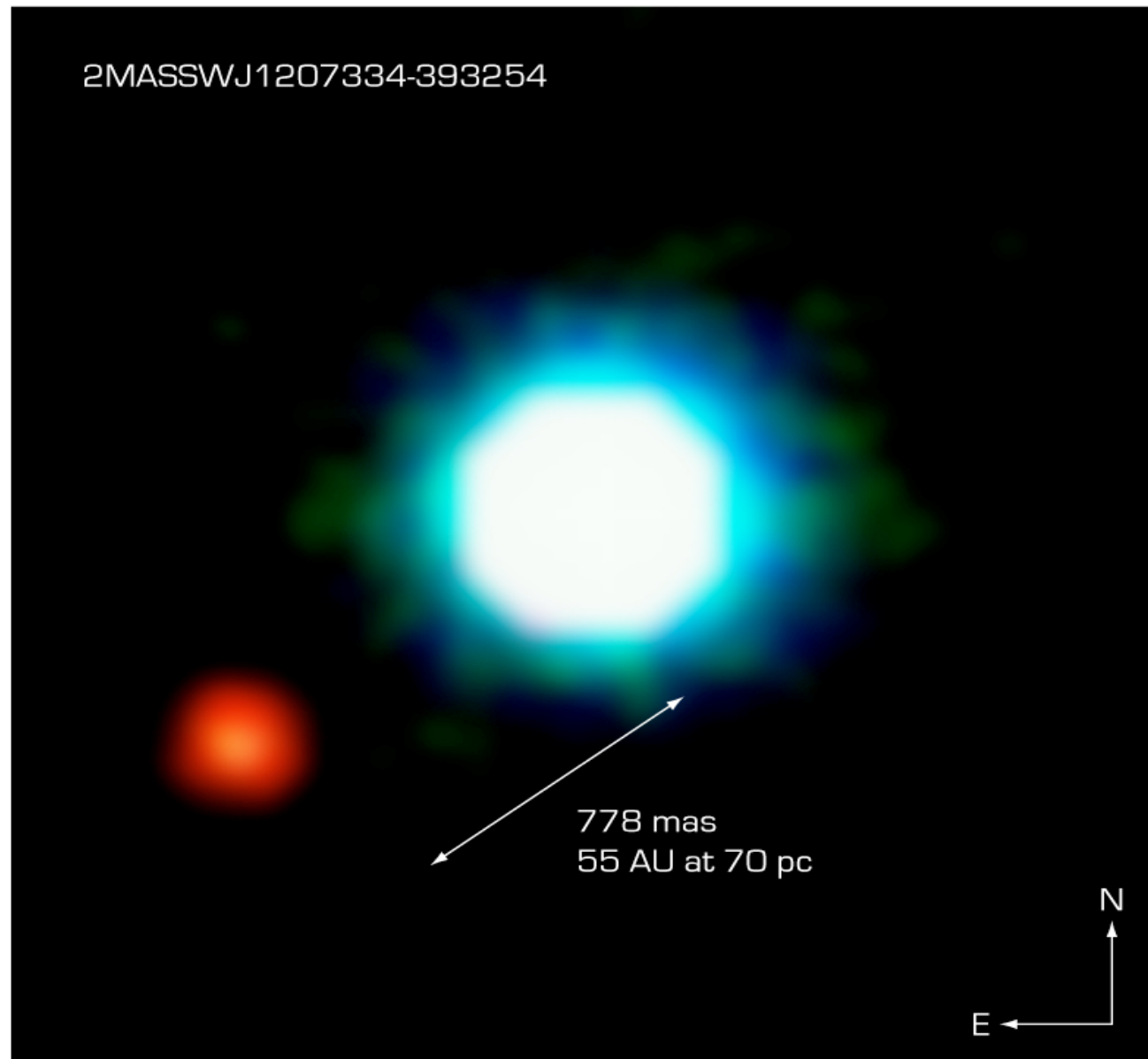
Seeing-limited



First image of exoplanet?

$M=5M_{\text{Jup}}$
sep=55UA

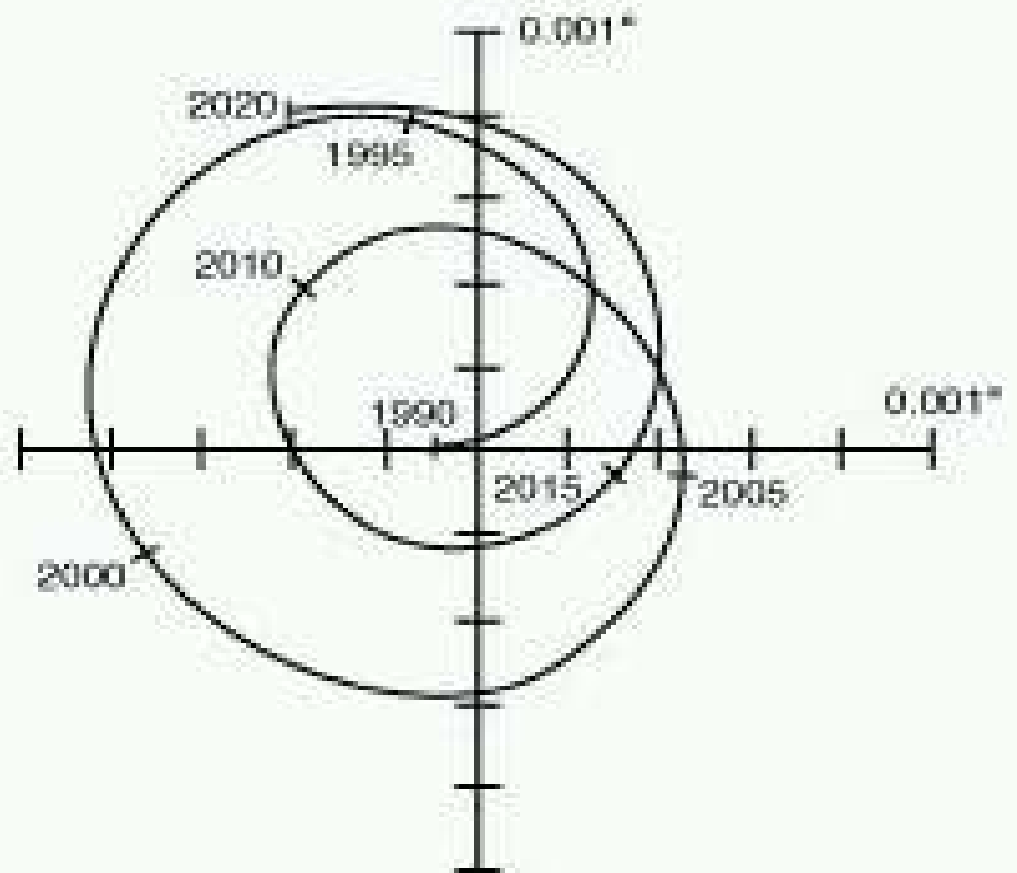
Chauvin et al. (2004)



NACO Image of the Brown Dwarf Object 2M1207 and GPCC

Astrometry

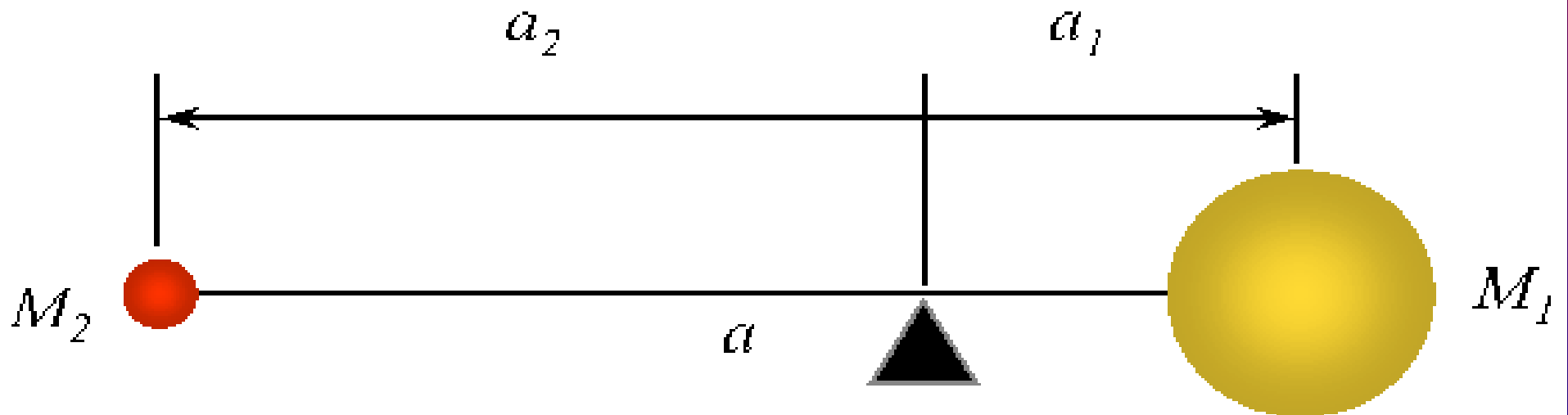
Try to measure
the projected
orbital motion
of the star in the
sky



Astrometry

$$M_1 a_1 = M_2 a_2 \quad \text{with } a_1 + a_2 = a$$

$$P^2 = a^3 (4\pi^2) / G(M_1 + M_2) \quad (\text{Kepler 3rd law})$$



Astrometry

- Problems:
 - Small angular displacement: needs very high accuracy
 - For planets we only observe a_1
 - Have to derive M_1 from other method (or RV)
 - More sensitive to long period planets

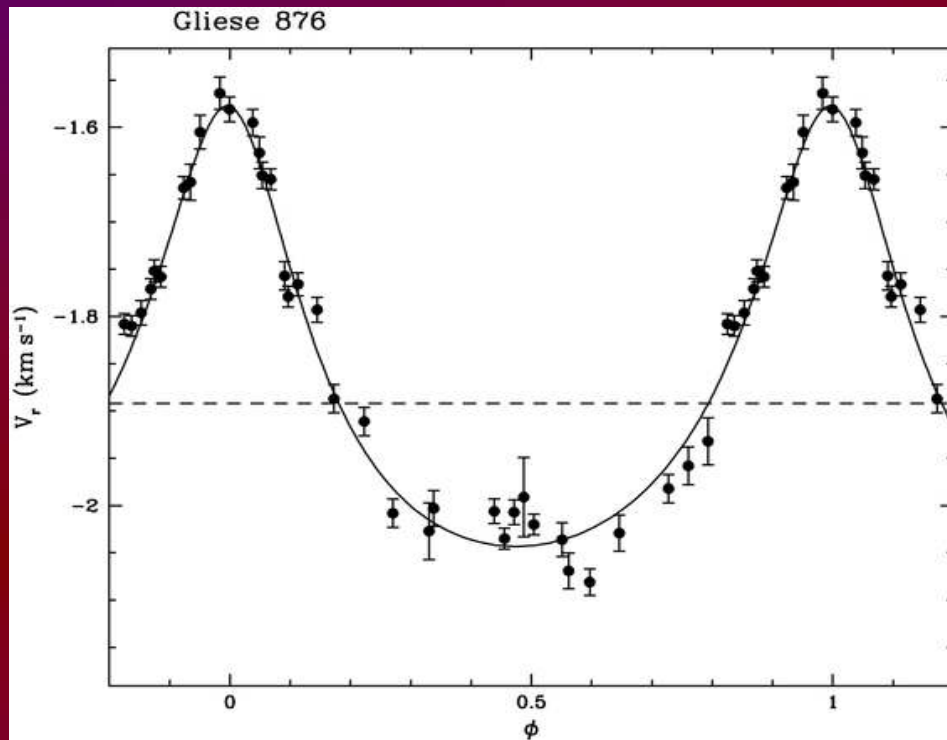
Extrasolar planets and Astrometry

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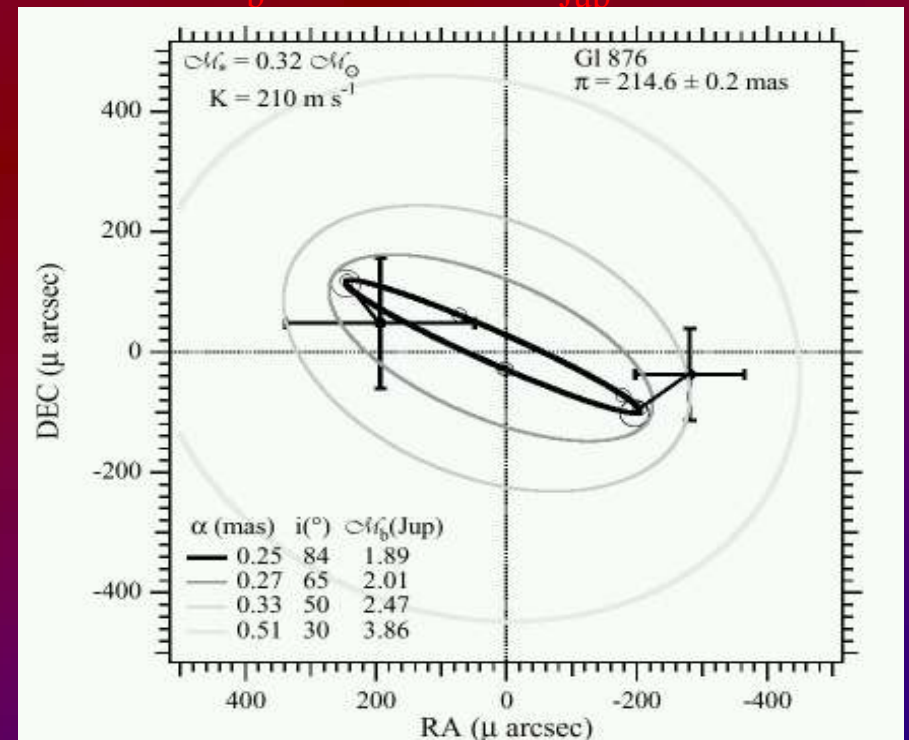
Marcy et al. 1998
Delfosse et al. 1998

CORALIE/KECK

$P=61\text{d}$, $K=210\text{m/s}$, $e=0.1$



- HST/FGS
- $\alpha = 250 \pm 60 \mu\text{arcsec}$
- $i = 84^\circ \pm 6^\circ$
- $M_b = 1.9 \pm 0.5 M_{\text{Jup}}$

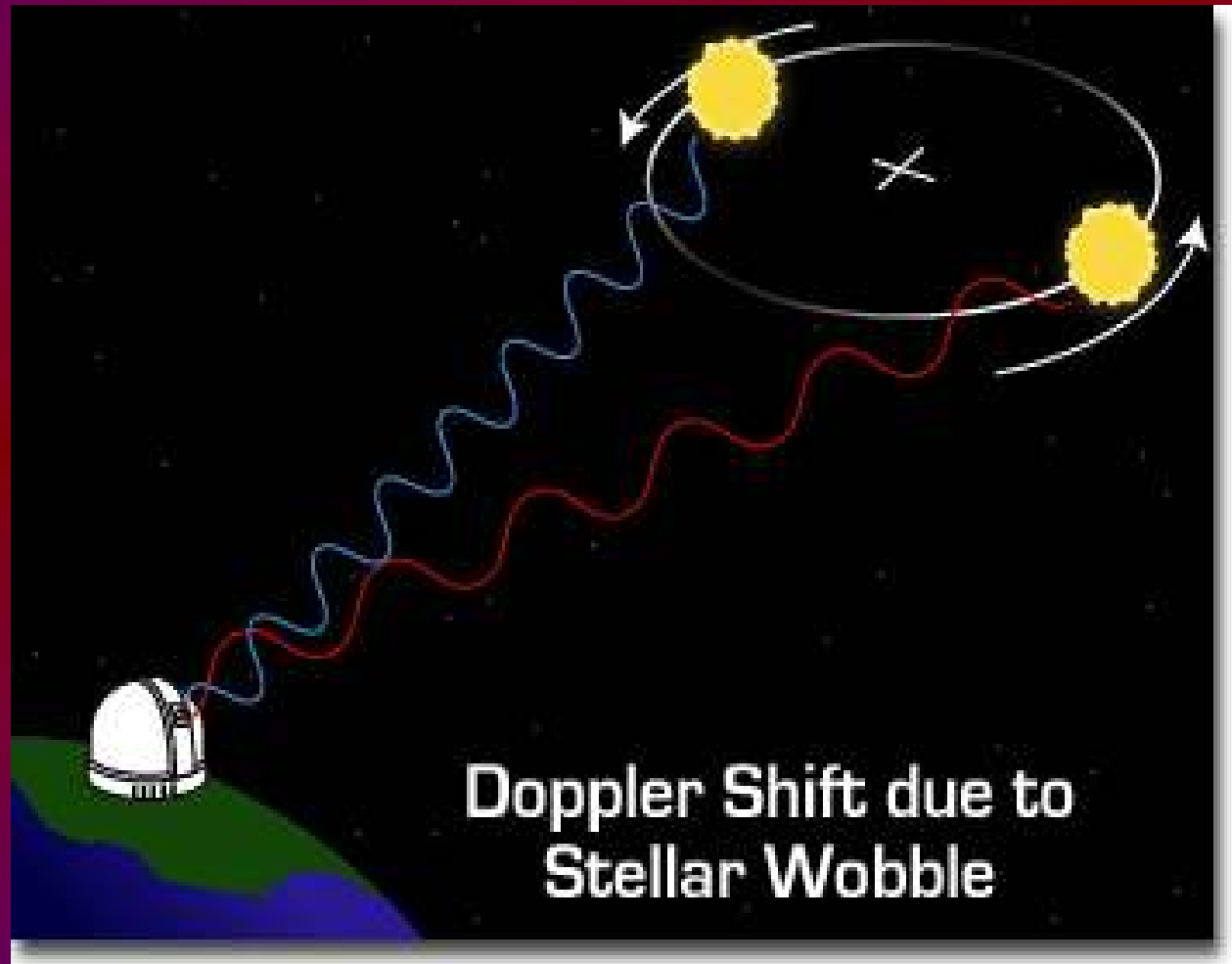


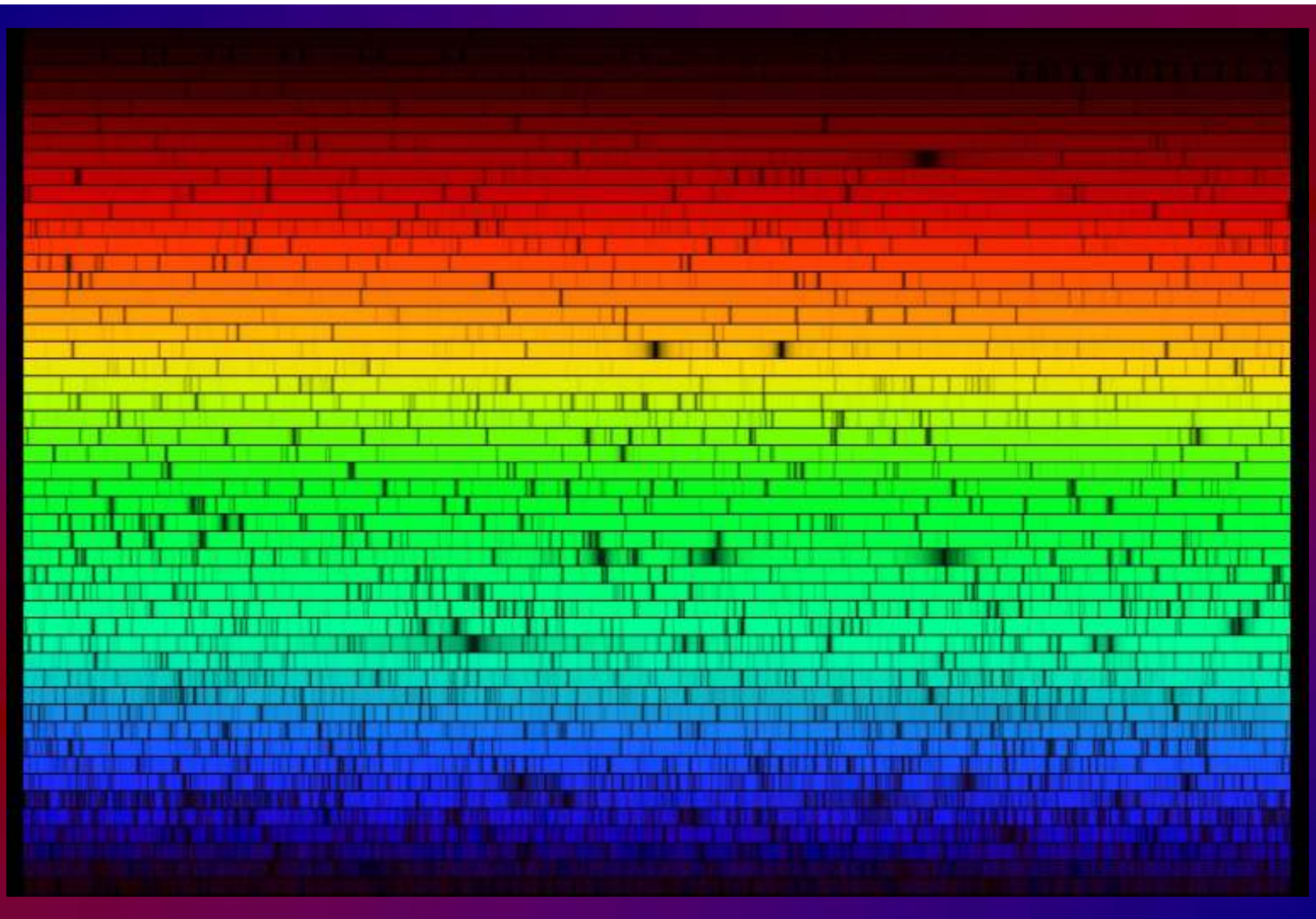
-> Eps Eri, 55 Cnc, 47 UMa ?

Benedict, McArthur, Forveille, et al. 2003

Radial velocity

- Measure the stellar velocity in direction of line-of-sight
- Search for periodic wobble
- Doppler effect!

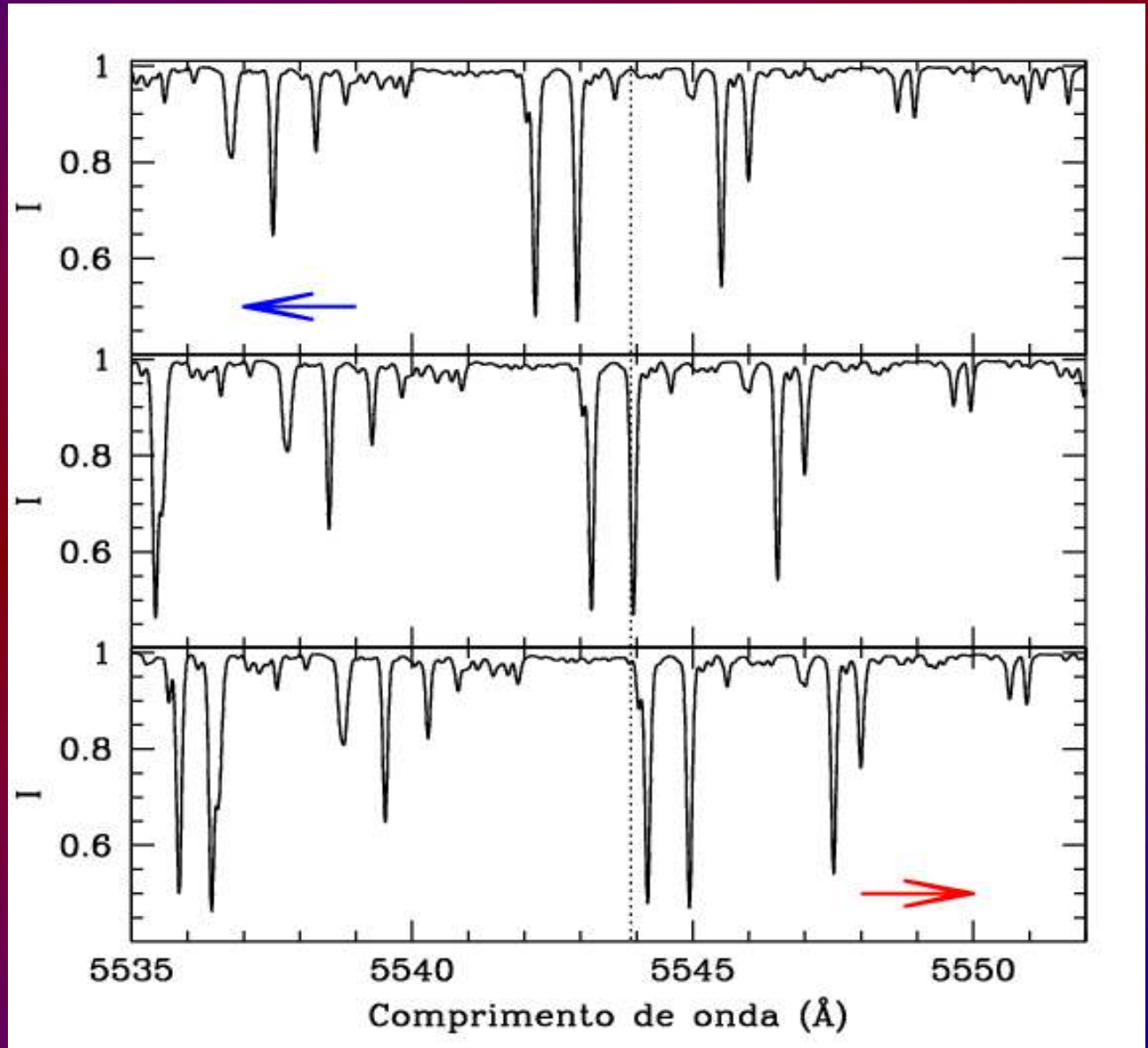




Radial velocity

- Doppler information from spectrum

$$\frac{\Delta I}{I} = \frac{v}{c}$$



Elodie programme

Extension of original programme

Swiss-French collaboration

Simultaneous thorium technique

Precision: ~ 7 m/s

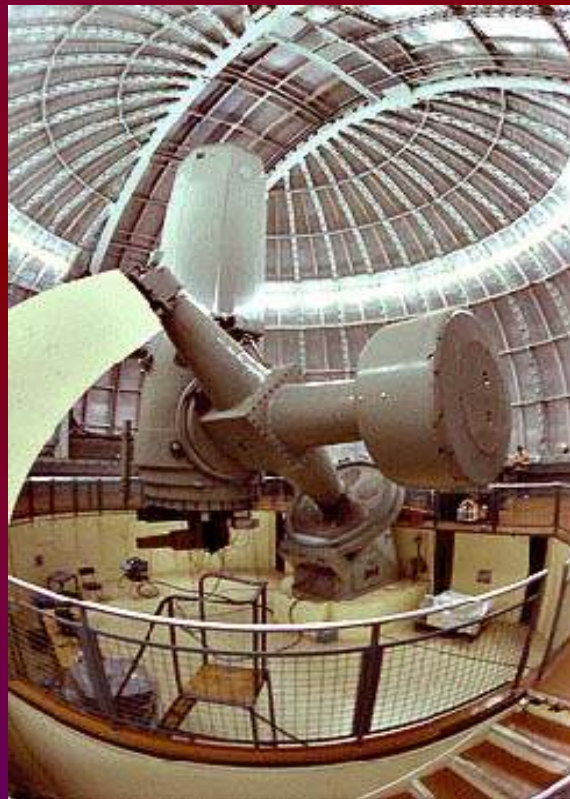
Sample of 350 F-K close dwarfs (magnitude limited)

(Mayor & Queloz 1996)

Observatoire de Haute-Provence 193 cm

19 planets

$m_2 \sin i < 10 M_{\text{Jup}}$



Lick Survey (1992-...)

120 stars

Marcy & Butler
Rapid confirmation of 51 Peg
3 planets “in their drawer”
(55Cnc, 47UMa, UpsilonAnd)

Iodine cell technique
Precision: ~ 3 m/s
→ ~ 27 planets

→ Keck programme

S. Vogt, D. Fischer,
~ 1000 stars
~ 30 planets



→ AAT programme

C. Tinney, H. Jones, C McCarthy
200-300 stars
~ 17 planets



Euler+Coralie – La Silla (1998-...)

1.2-m Euler Swiss telescope
Simultaneous thorium technique

Precision: ~ 3 m/s

-> Photon-noise limited (-> 3-10 m/s)

Volume-limited sample: 1650 F8-M0 dwarfs
(Queloz et al. 2000, Udry et al. 2000)



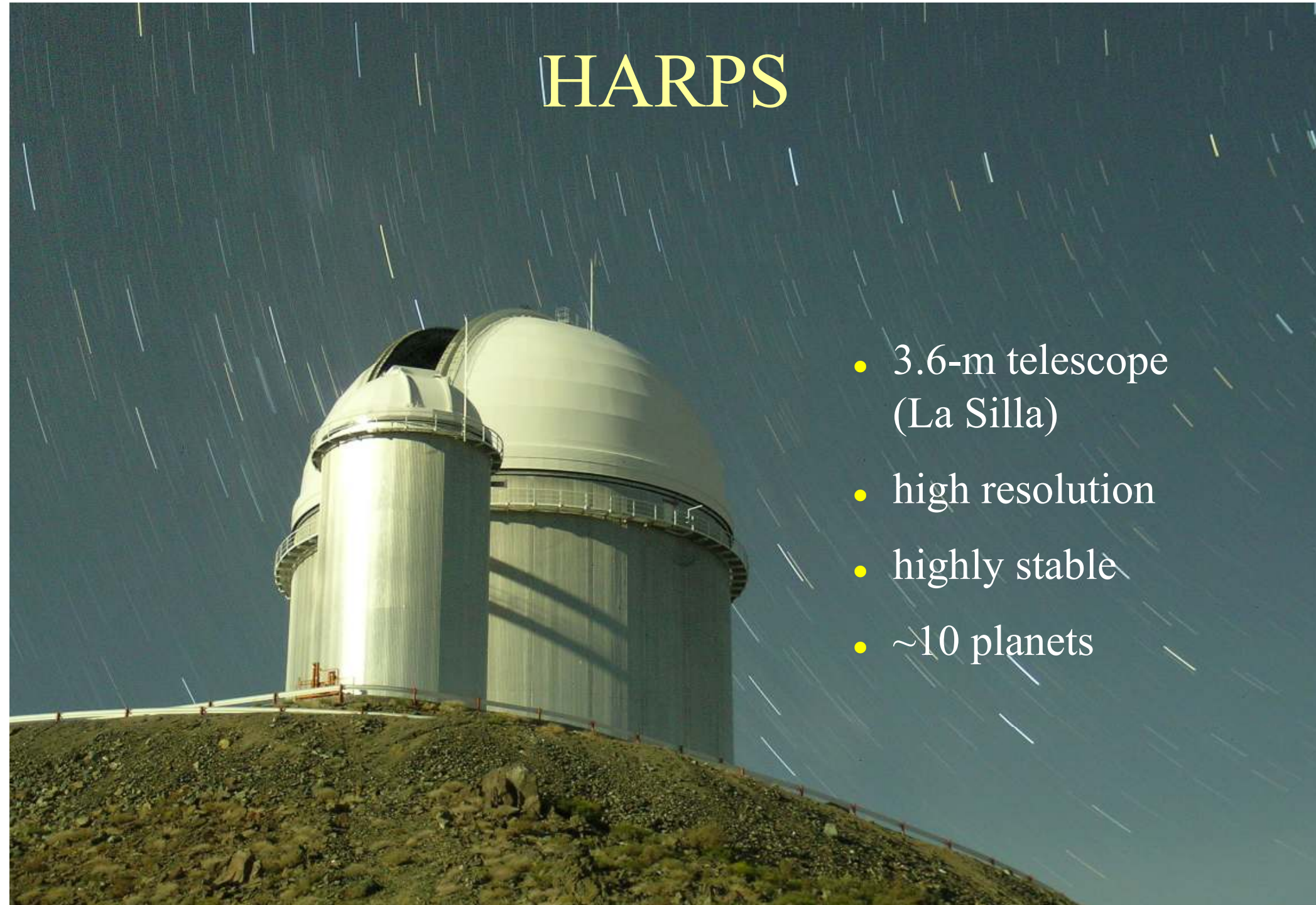
~ 40 PLANETS

M. Mayor, S. Udry, D. Queloz
F. Pepe, D. Naef, N.C. Santos



HARPS

- 3.6-m telescope (La Silla)
- high resolution
- highly stable
- ~10 planets



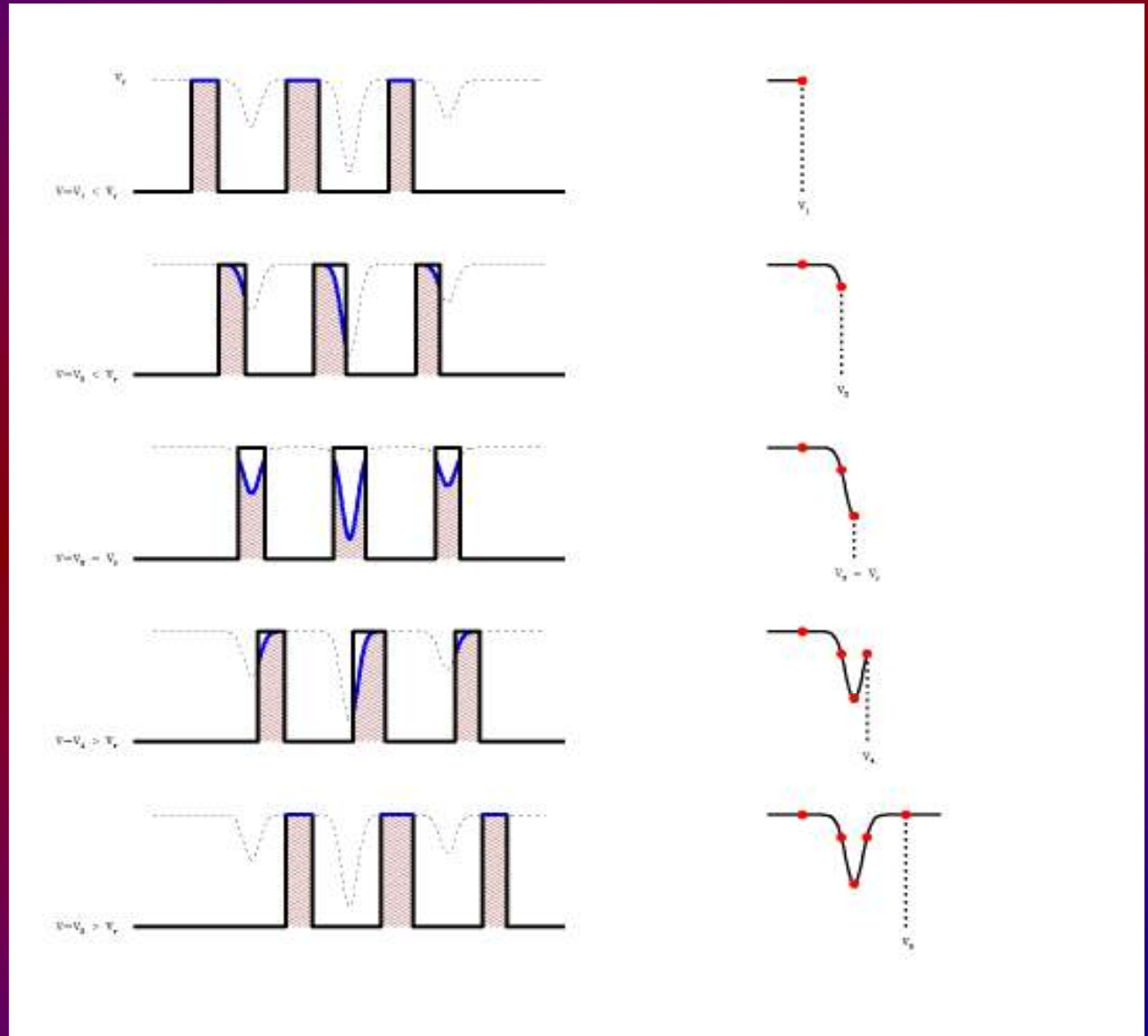
How to derive precise shifts?

- Need for very high precision in wavelength scale
- $\Delta\lambda \sim 10^{-5}$ (for 5m/s at 5000Å)
- Use statistically the spectral information
 - many lines
- Use stable reference (ThAr lamp, Iodine cell)

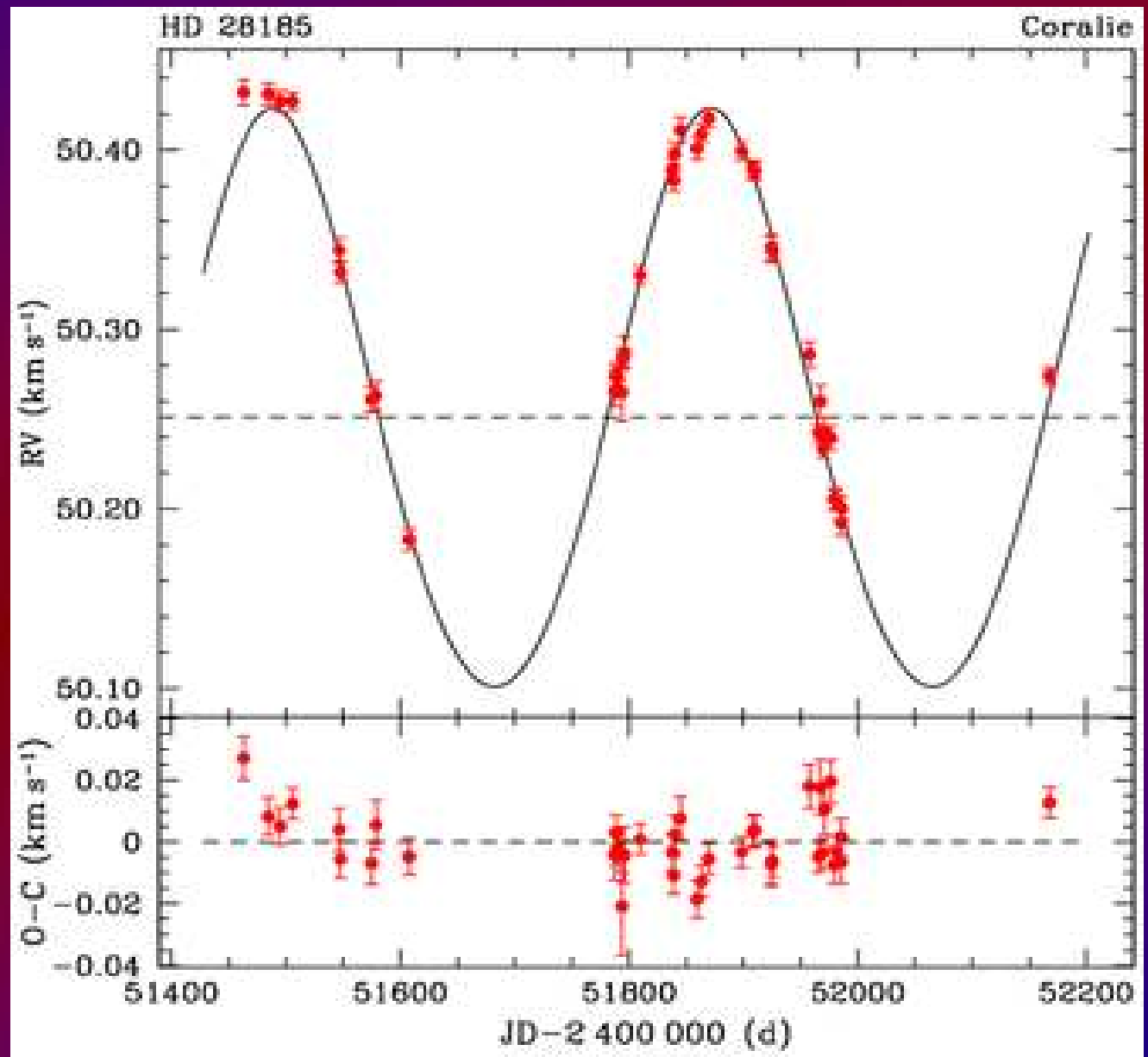
Cross-Correlation technique

CCF – “average spectral line”

Position of CCF -> velocity!



Example RV curve:



Some basic equations

RV semi-amplitude:

$$K(\text{km/s}) = 212.9 (M_1/P)^{1/3} (q/(1+q))^{2/3} (\sin(i)/(1-e^2)^{1/2})$$

[$q = M_2/M_1$]

Mass Function:

$$F(m) = M_2^3 \sin^3(i) / (M_1 + M_2)^2 =$$
$$= K_1^3 \text{ km/s} (1-e^2)^{3/2} P_{\text{days}} 1.036\text{E-}7 M_{\text{sun}}$$

For which stars can we use RV?

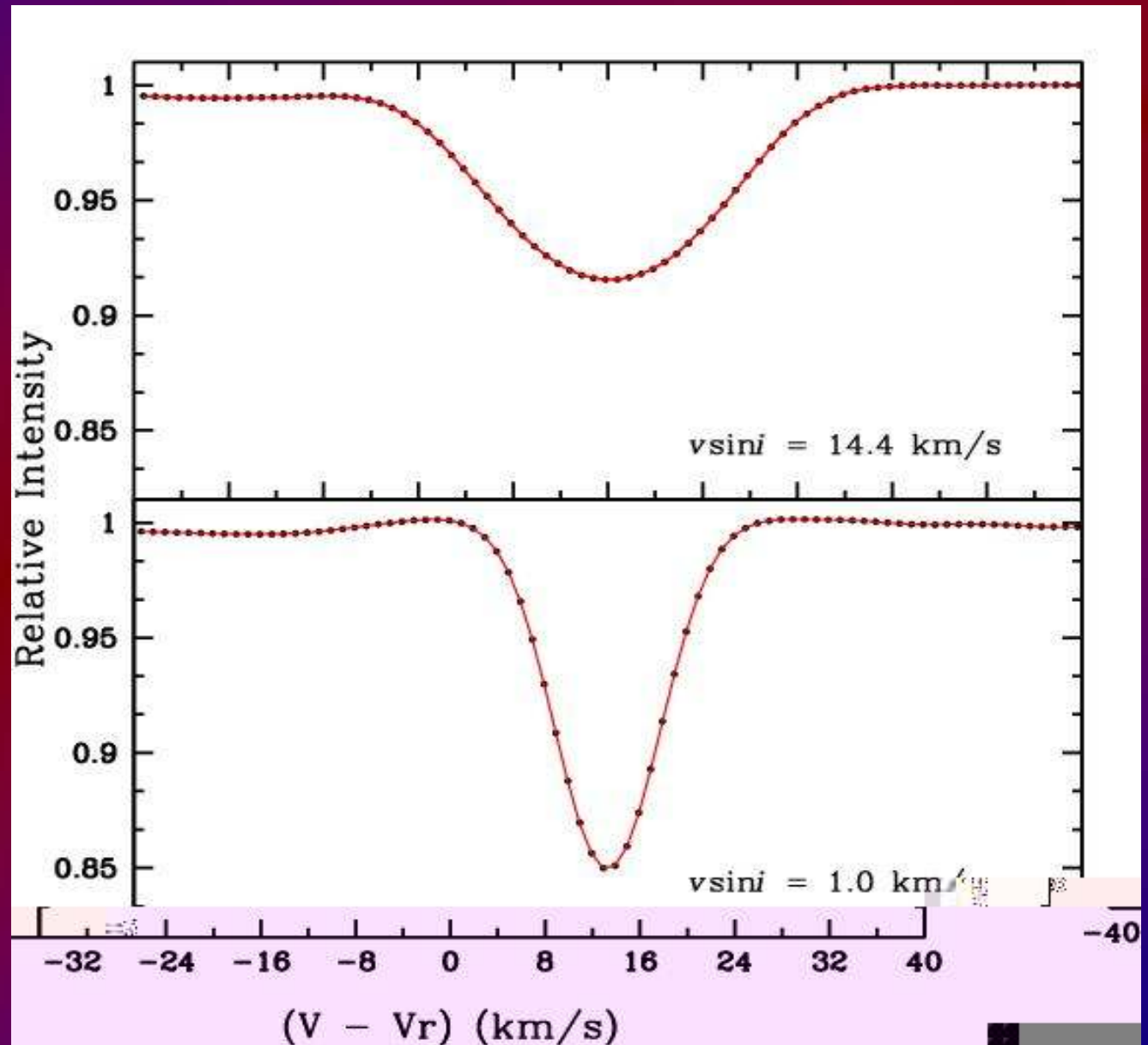
- Mostly solar-type stars
 - Enough lines in stellar spectra!
 - Hot stars do not have narrow lines (not many lines)!
- Young stars: too active!
- Not good for stars that rotate very fast

Stellar limitations to RV technique

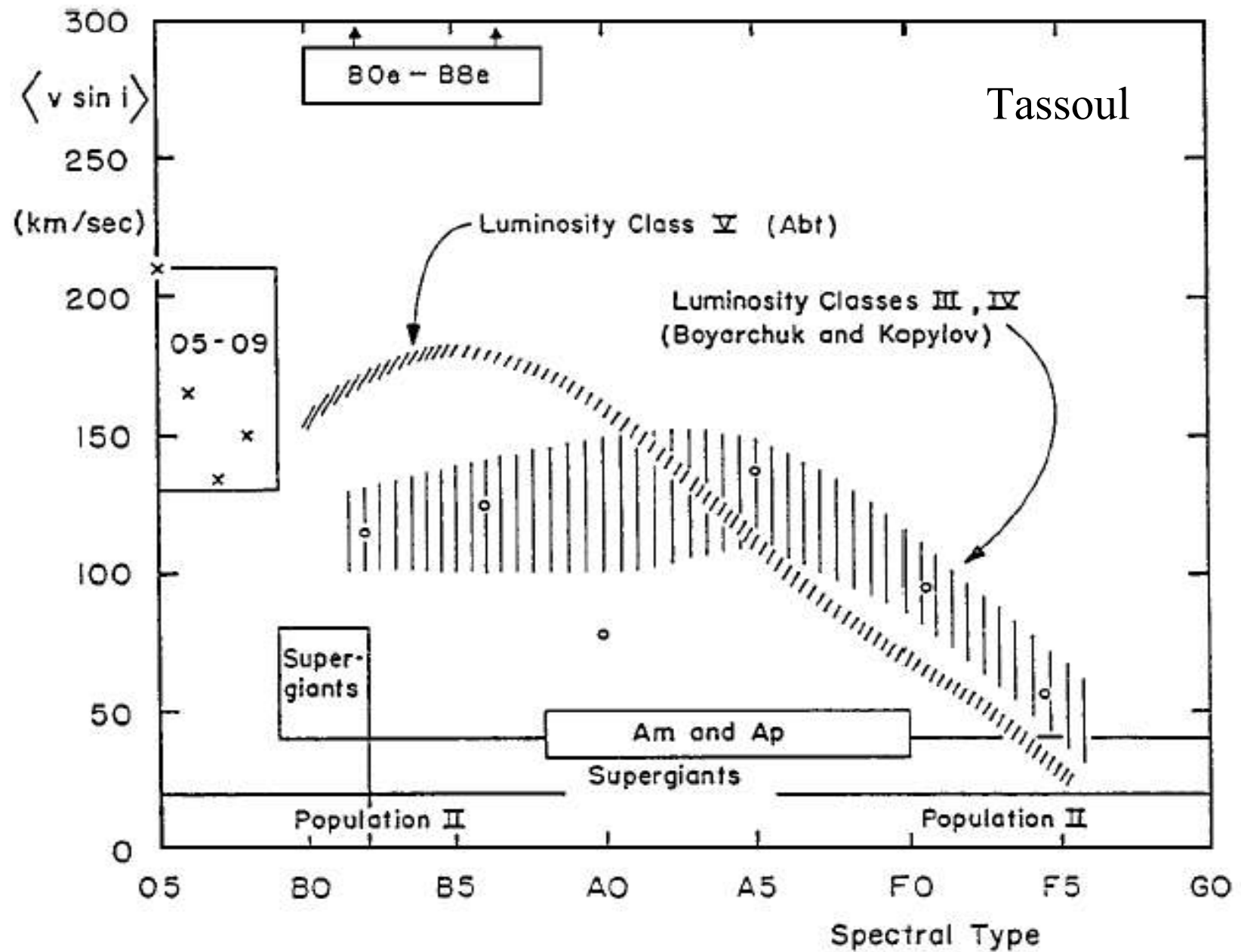
- Stellar rotation
- Photospheric spots and convection
- Stellar blends
- Stellar pulsation
- How to diagnose?

Stellar rotation

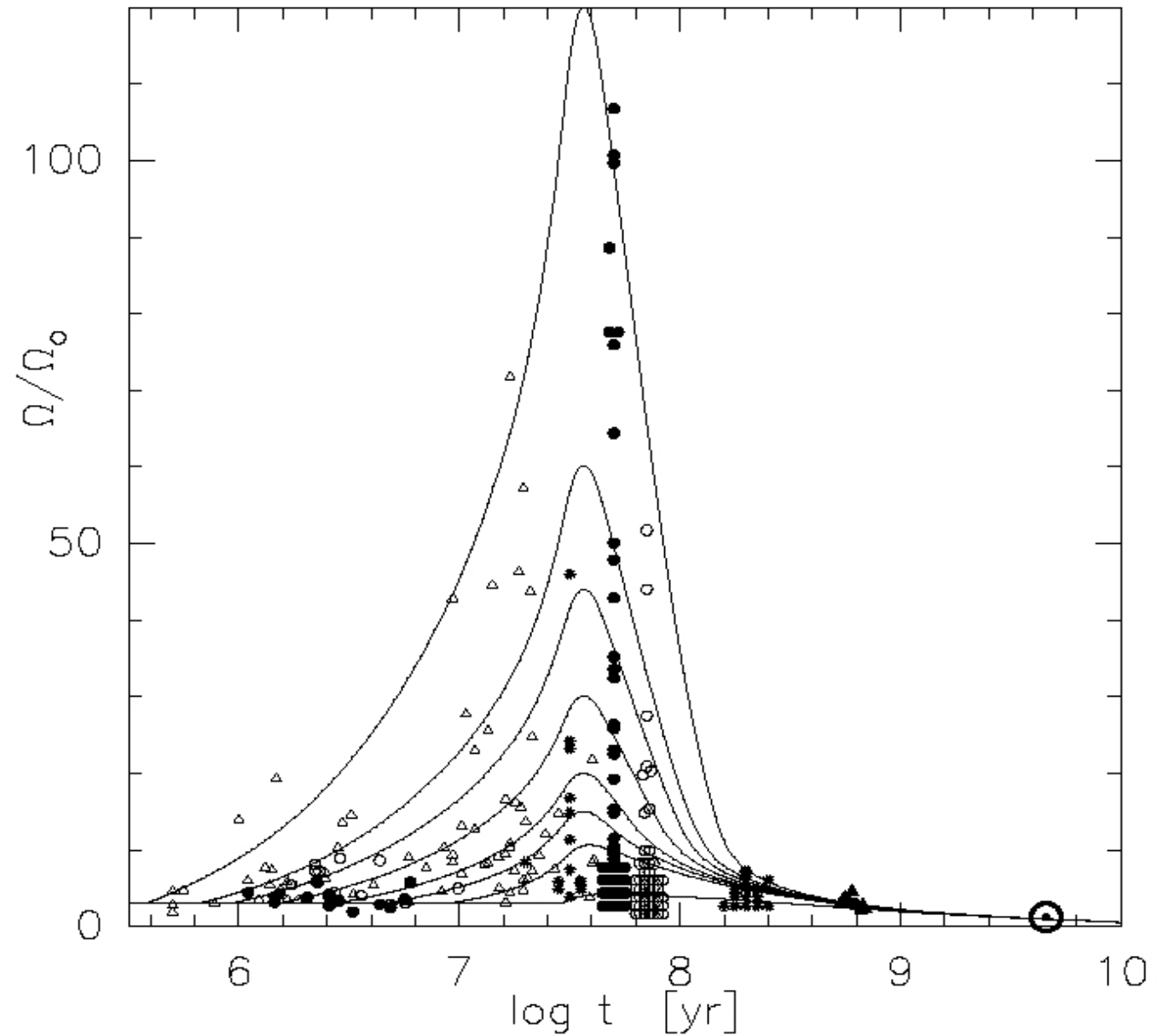
- We observe disk integrated light
- Lines become wider when $v \sin i$ is taken into account
- lower RV precision for high rotating stars (early-type, young stars)



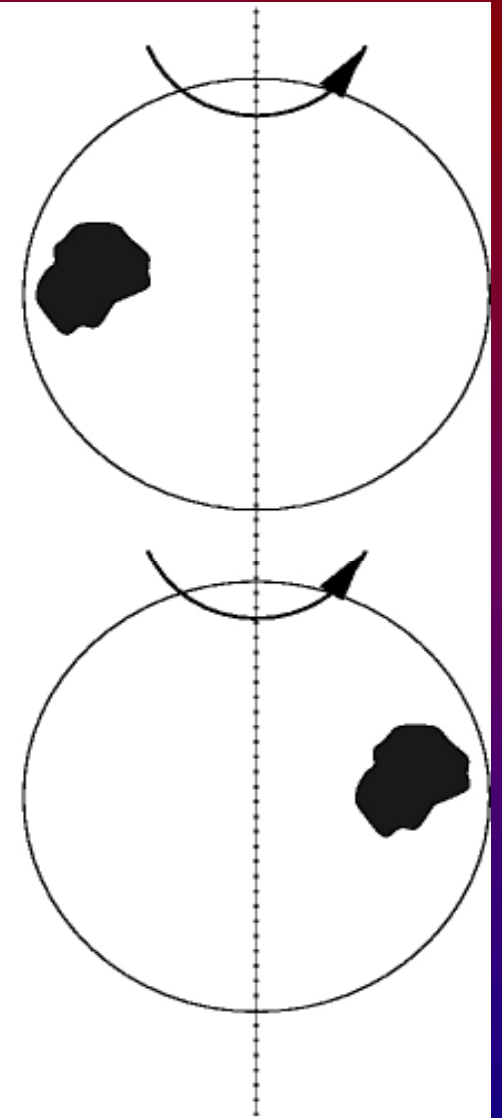
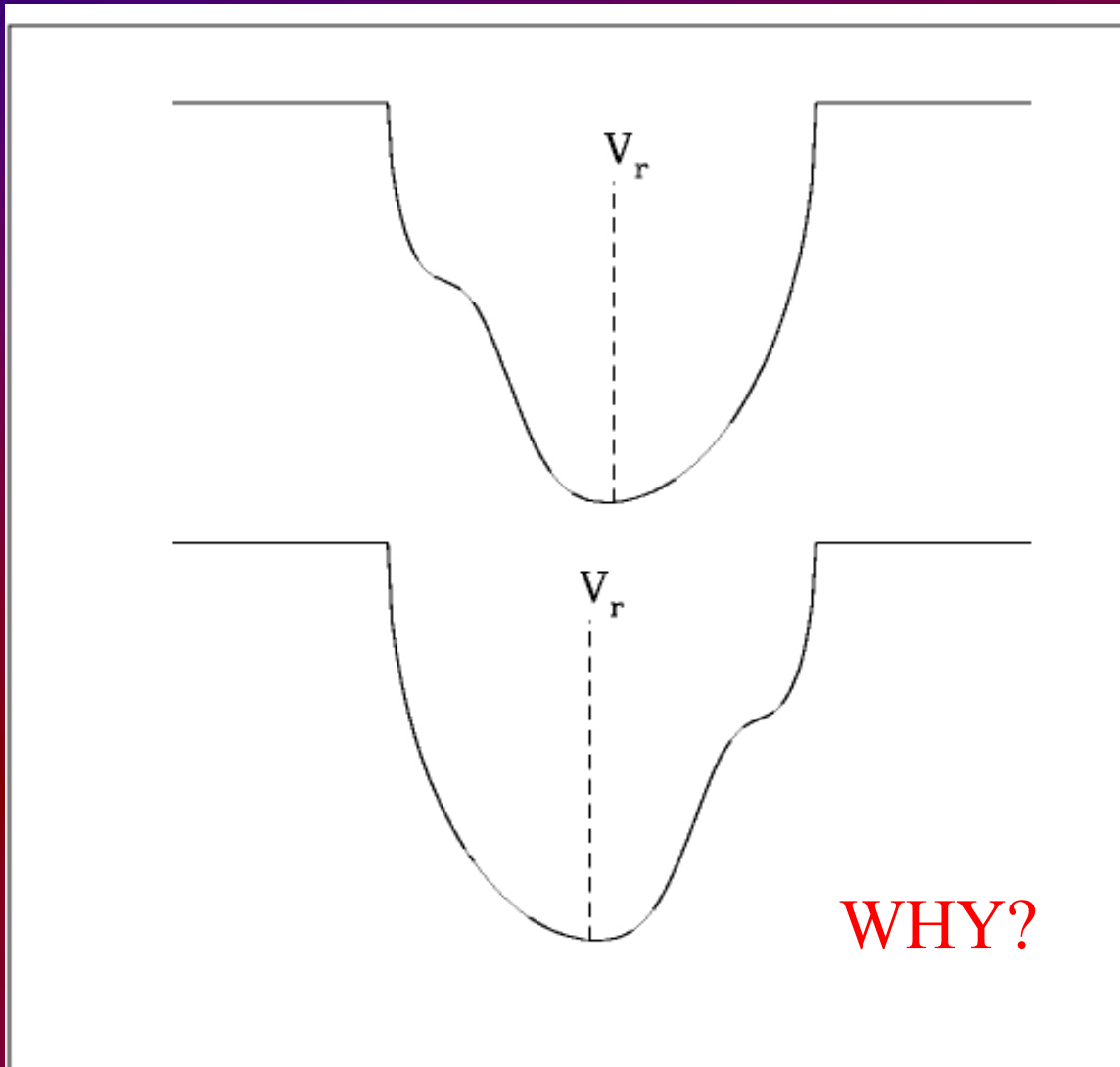
Stellar rotation across the HR diagram



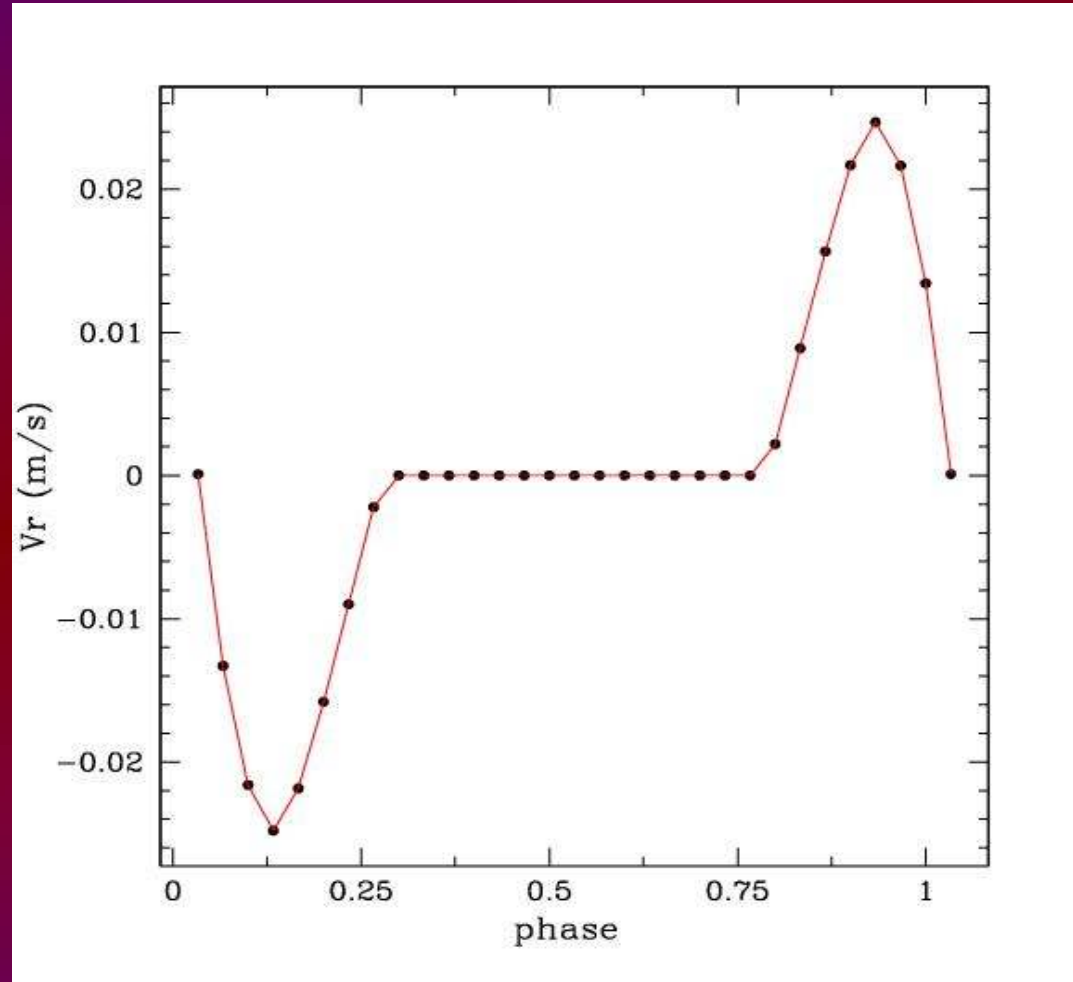
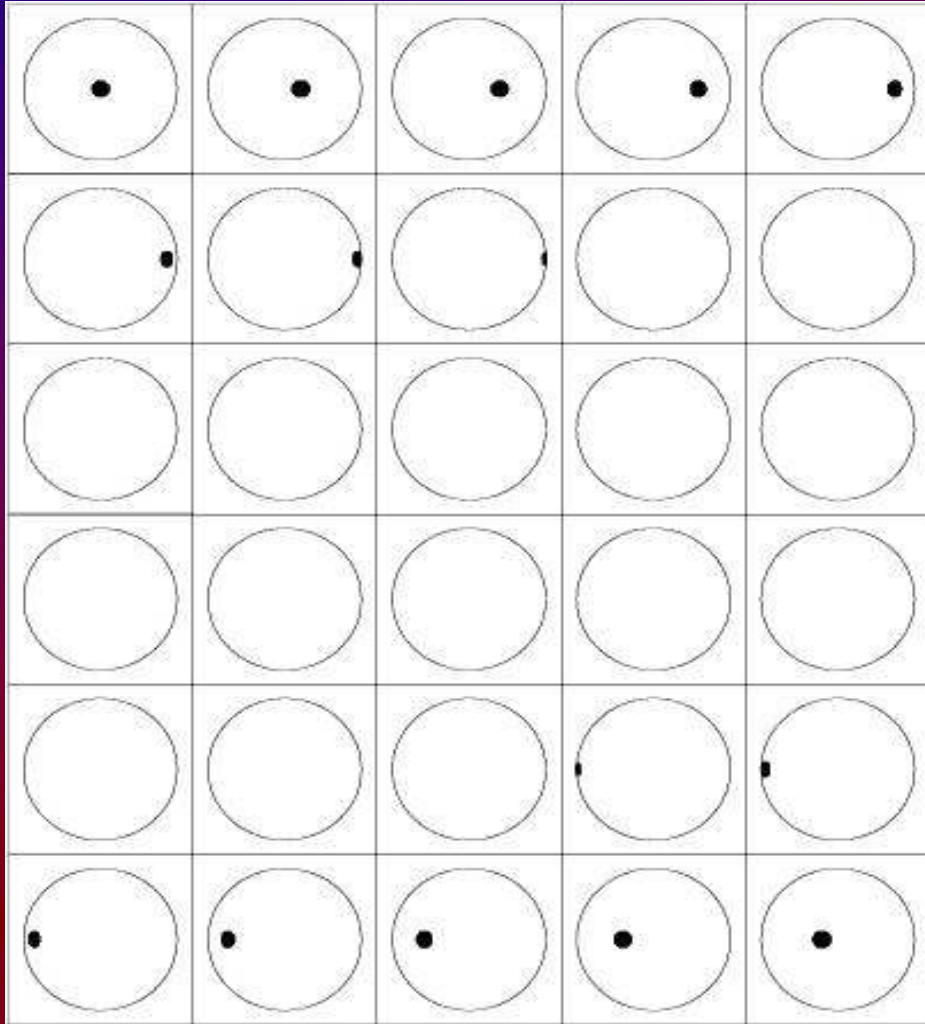
Rotational evolution of T Tauris (Bouvier et al. 1997)



Photospheric features (spots & conv. inhomogeneities)

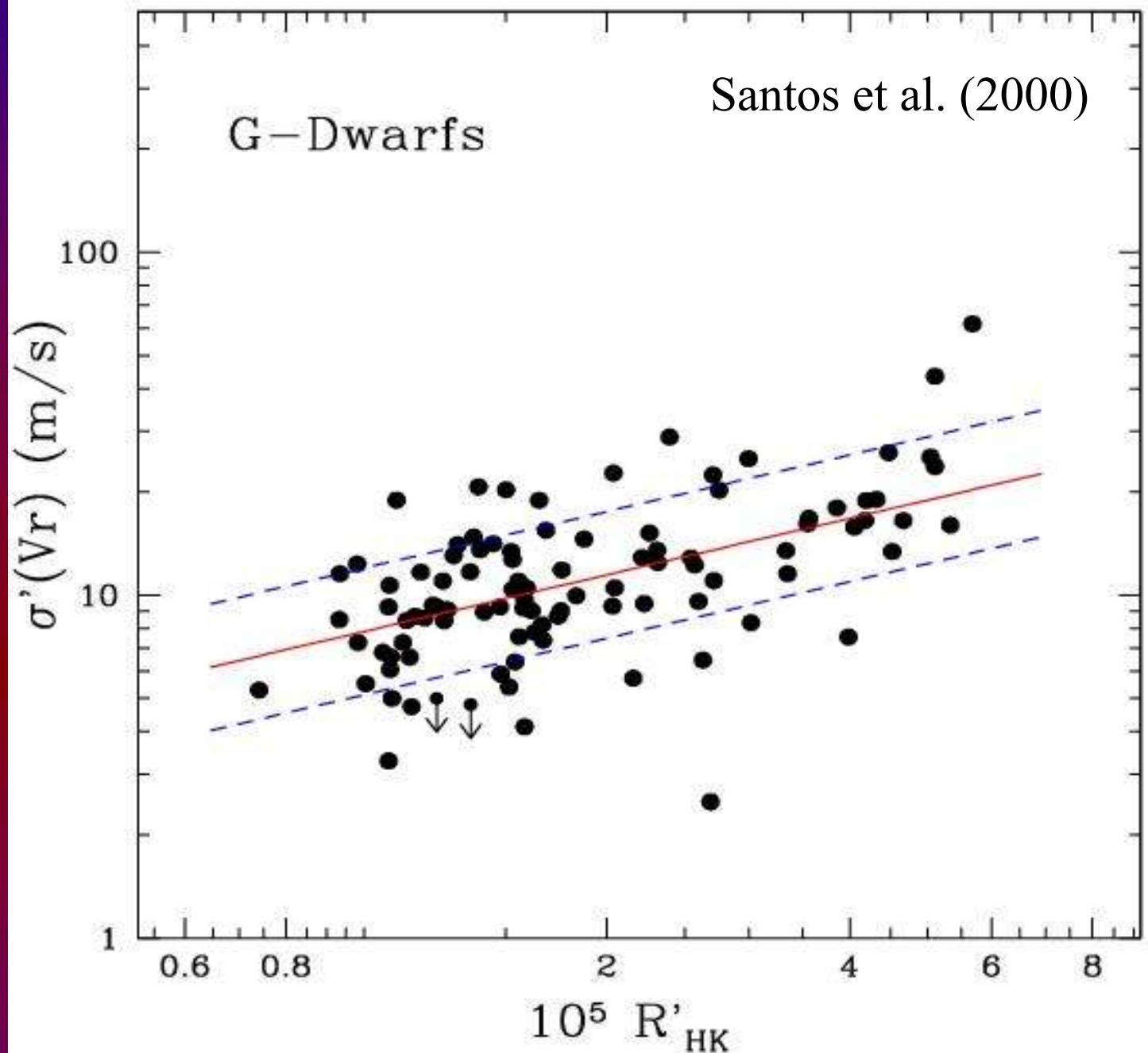


Spots and RV



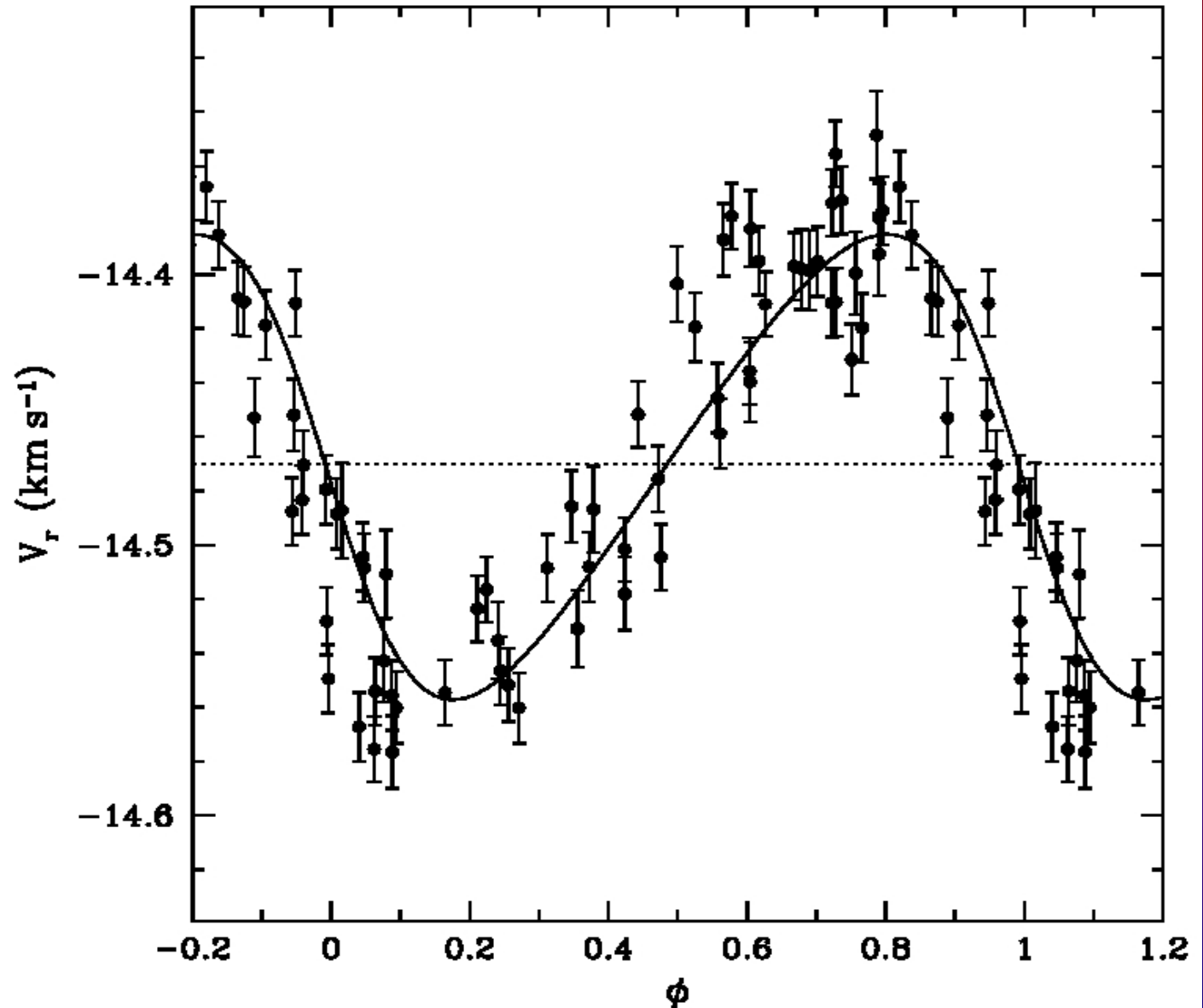
$$A[\text{m/s}] \sim 6.5 v \sin(i) f_s^{0.9} \text{ (Saar \& Donahue 1997)}$$

Stellar
activity
induces
RV noise



Spots can mimic planets!

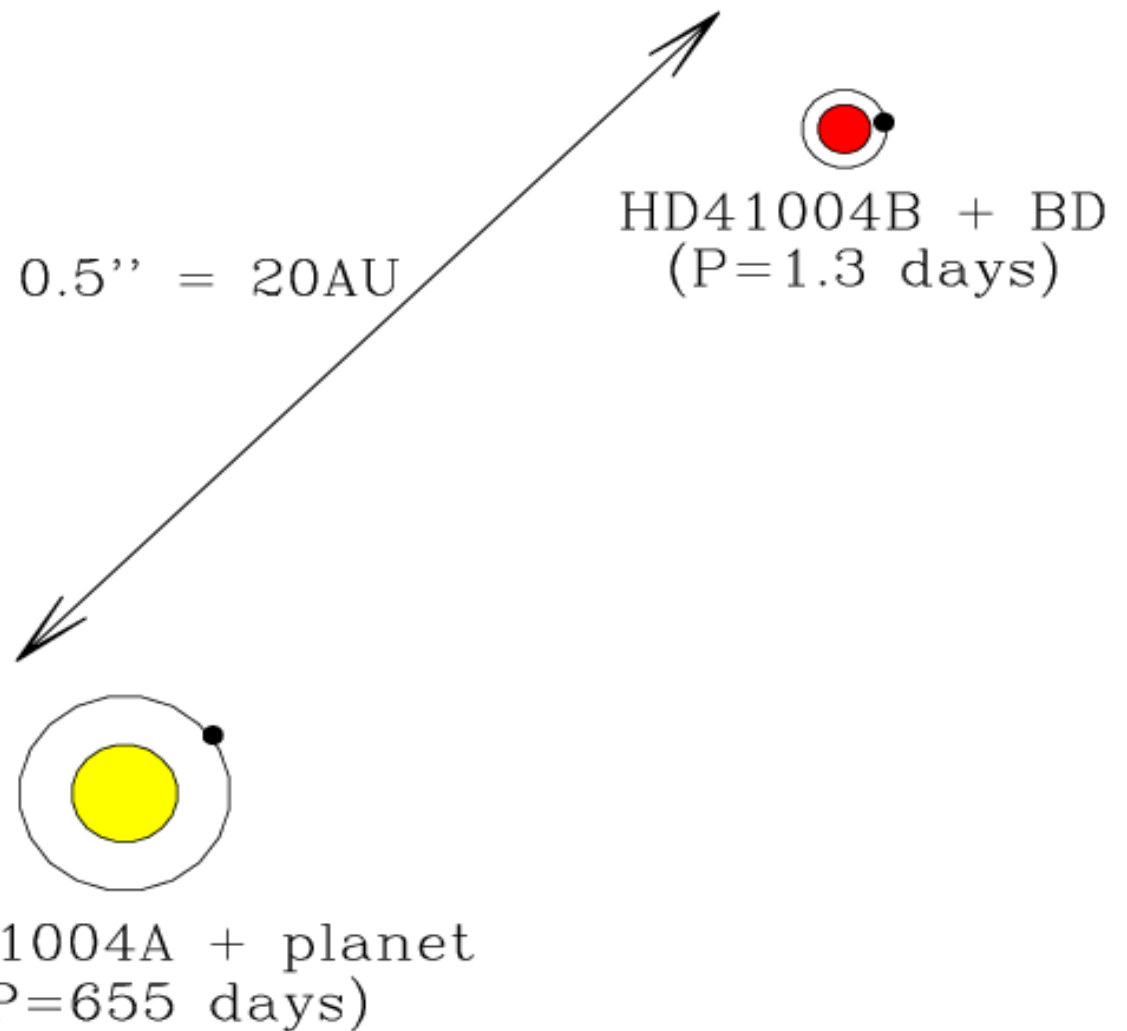
- HD166435
(Queloz et al.
2001)
- Spots cause a
periodic RV
variation similar
to the one
expected by the
presence of a
planet!



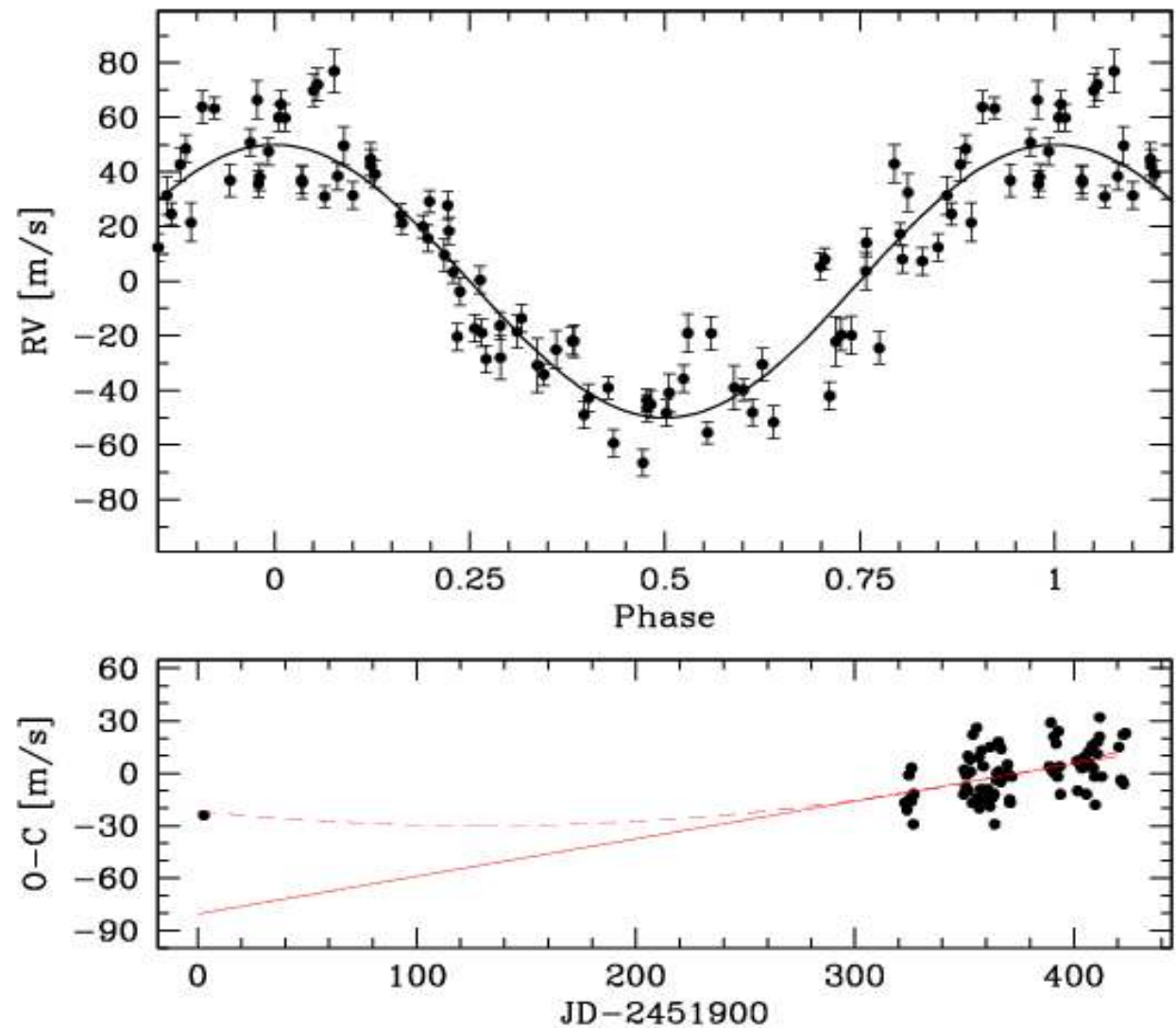
Stellar blends

HD41004
(Santos et al.
2002)

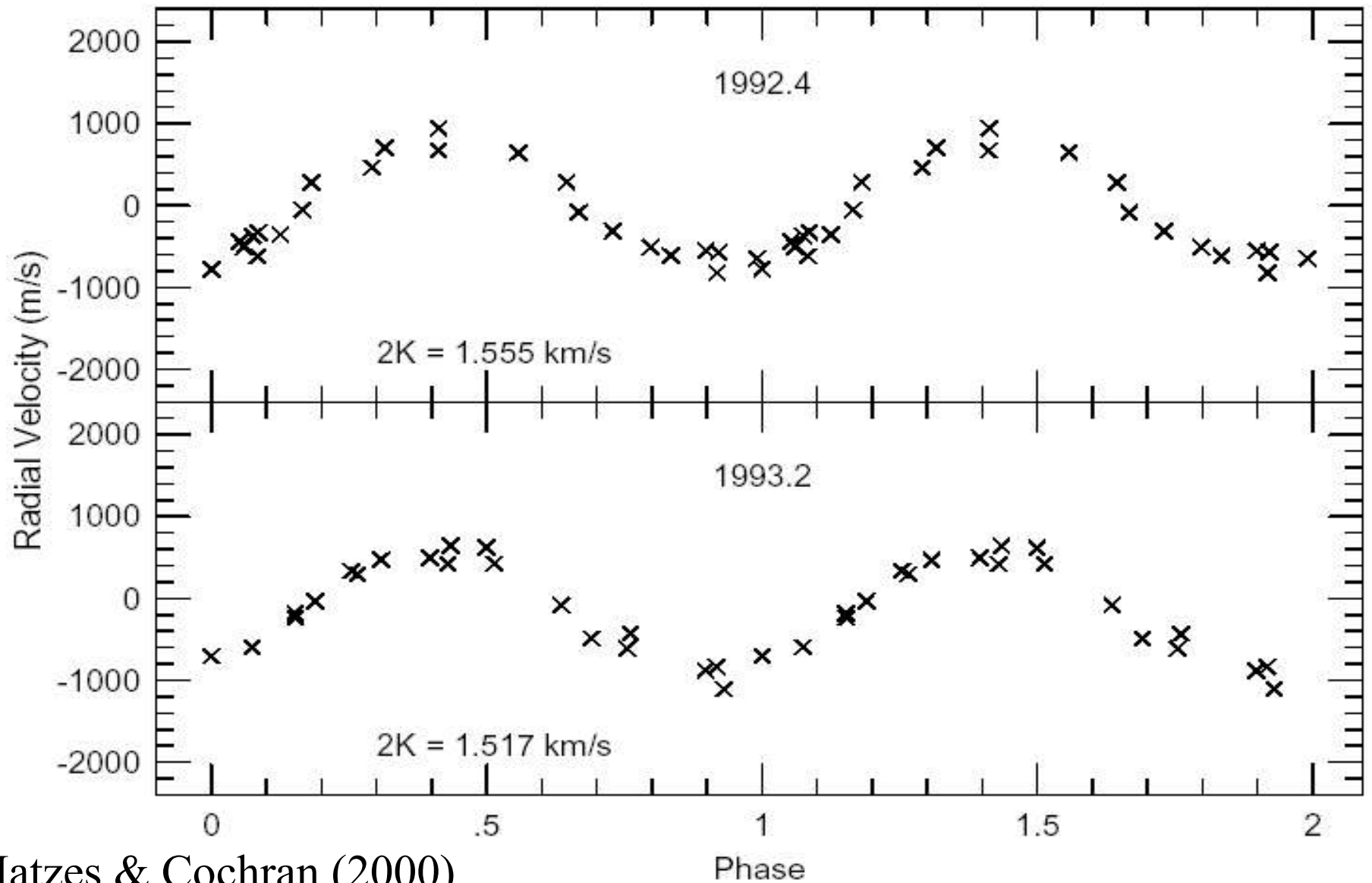
HD41004 system



Stellar
blends can
mimic RV
signature of
planet!



Stellar pulsation



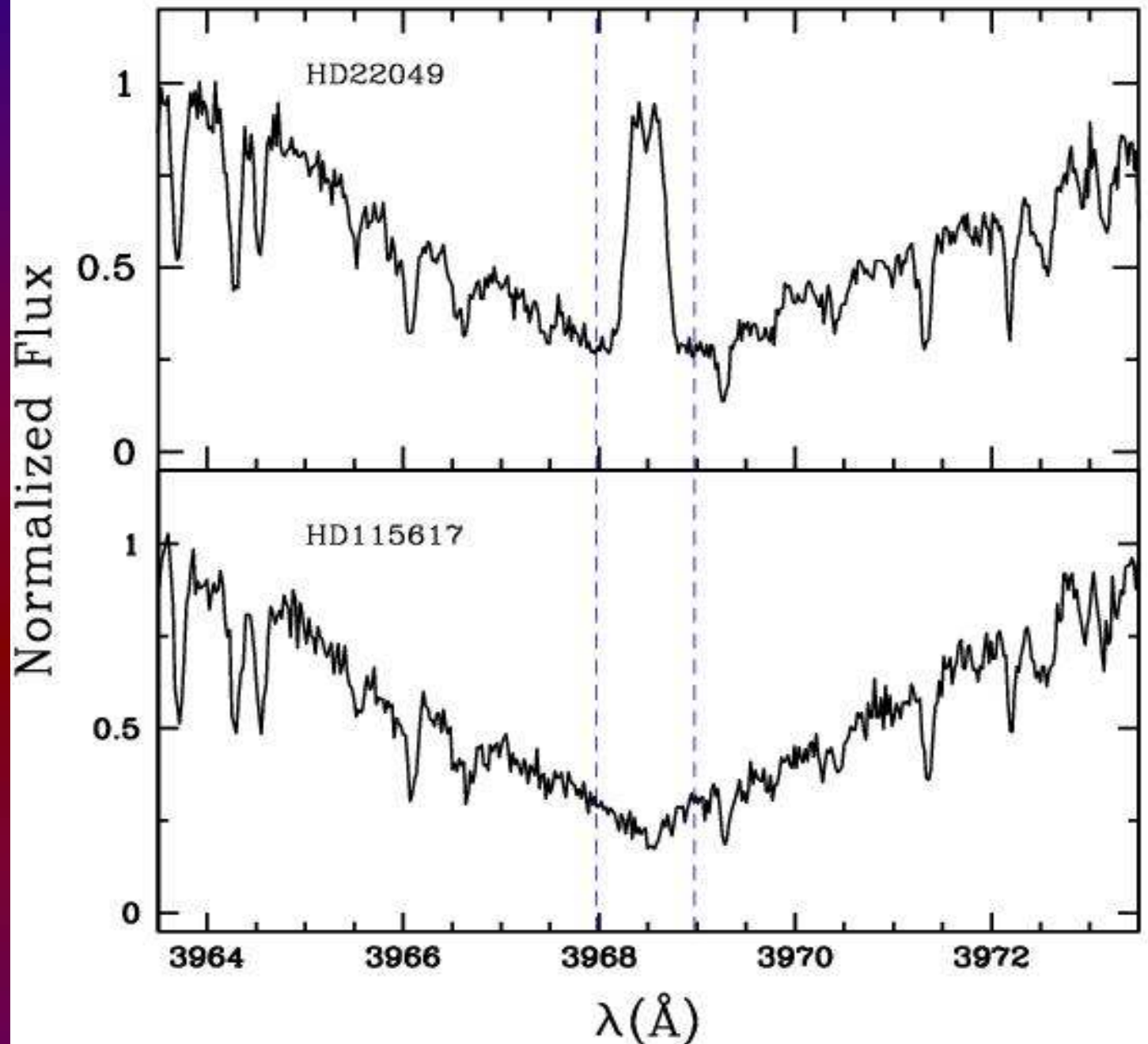
Hatzes & Cochran (2000)

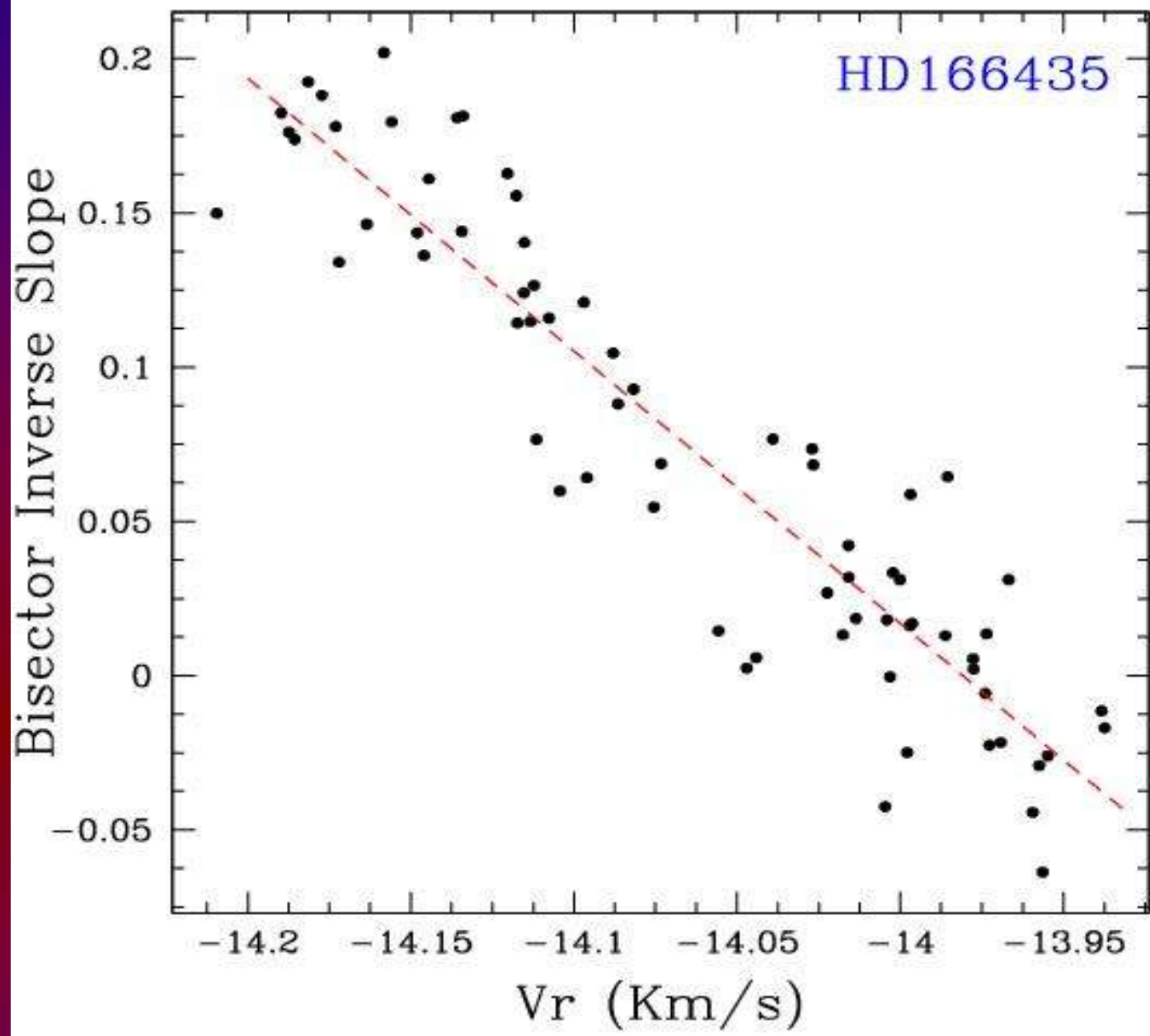
How to diagnose these cases?

- Photometry
 - Pulsation, spots
 - Note: pulsation is not matter for solar-type dwarf
- Stellar Activity
 - Spots (active regions)
 - Problem: not very sensitive
- Line profiles (bisectors)
 - Spots, convection, blends, pulsation
 - Problem: for low $v \sin i$, not sensitive to spots

Stellar activity

CaII H and K
line emission
(S Index;
Vaughan
1978)





Stellar blends

Induce line-
profile
variations
and RV
variation

