

Star-Planet Interactions

Activity proxies

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Outline

- Star-Planet Interactions – An overview
- Main ingredient for Star-Planet Interactions – Magnetic Field
- SPI and Activity proxies: a love/hate story

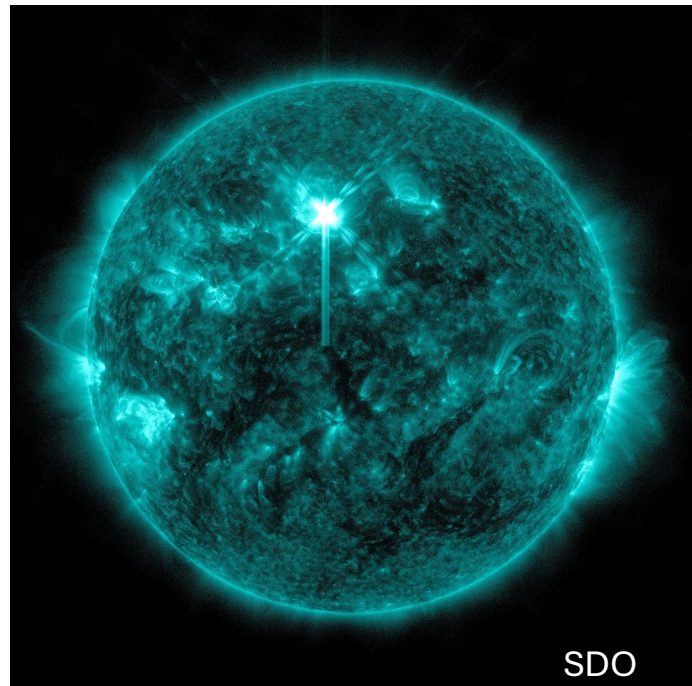
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Solar storm – May 2024

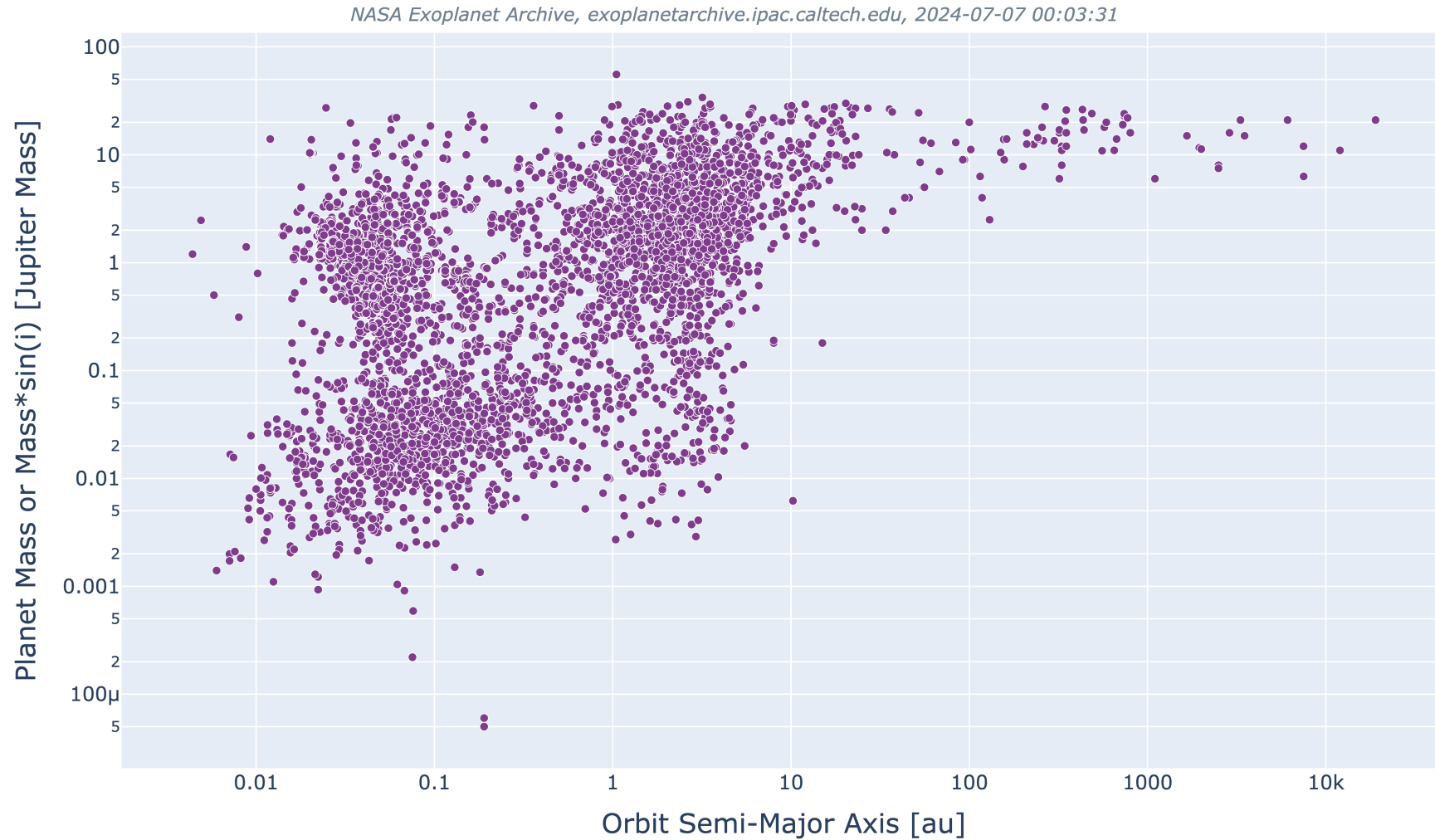


Northern light over Berga, Spain, May 2024

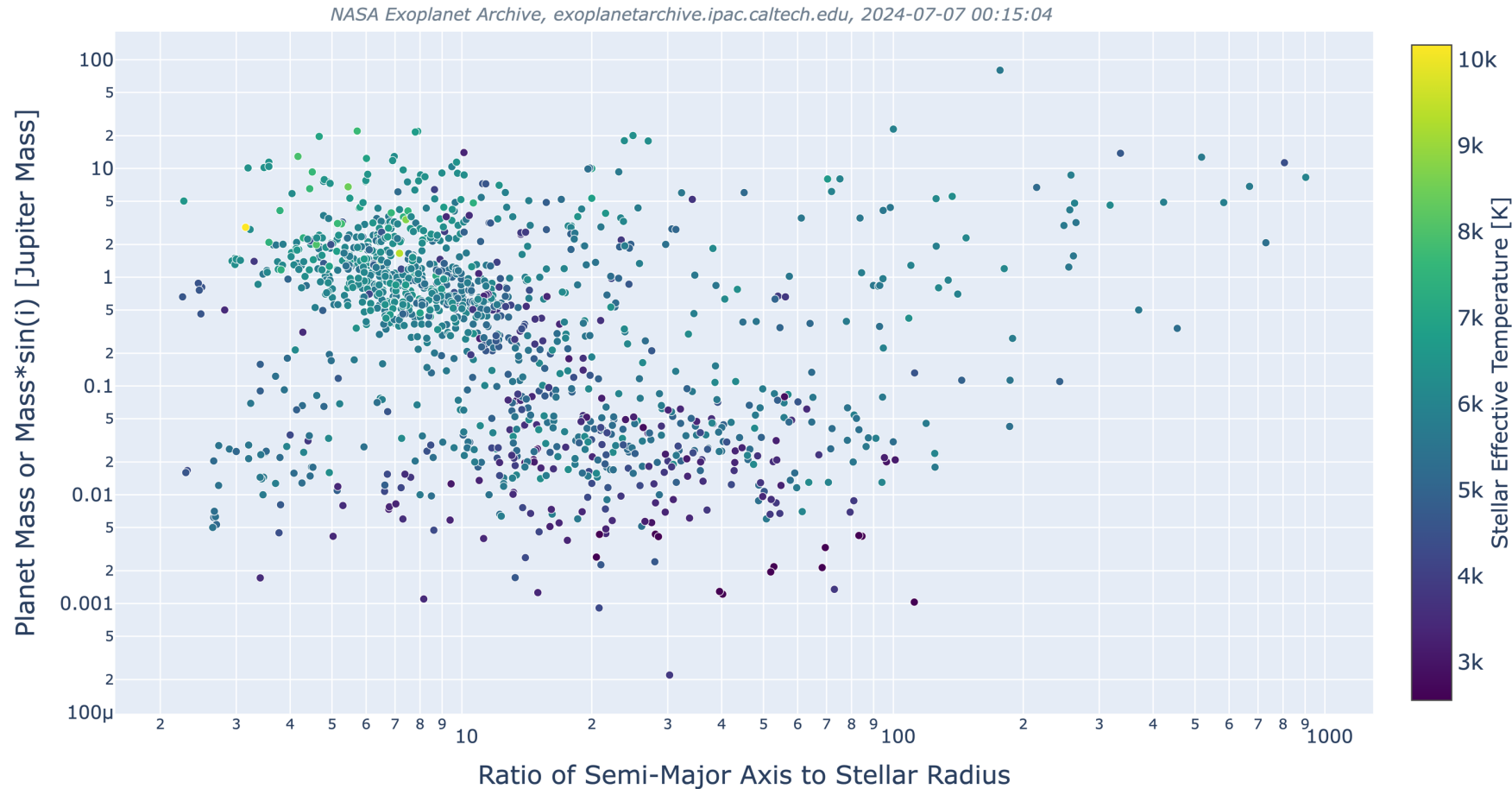


Sun – Earth distance: $\sim 215 R_{\odot}$

Exoplanets



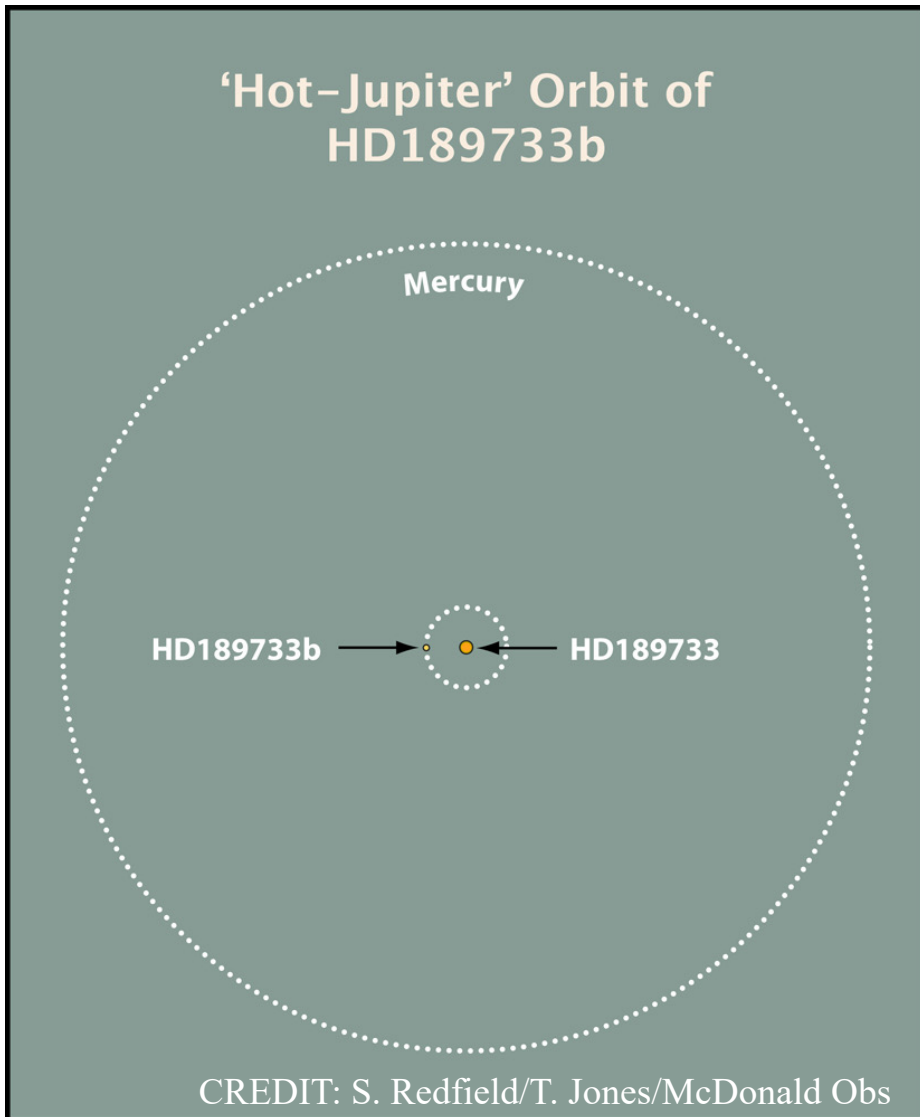
How far are they from their stars?



Planets are relatively close to their stars (in terms of stellar radius)

The ratio of planet mass to stellar mass is an important factor

How far are they from their stars?



They could be as close as few stellar radii
(Mercury is at about $83 R_{\odot}$)



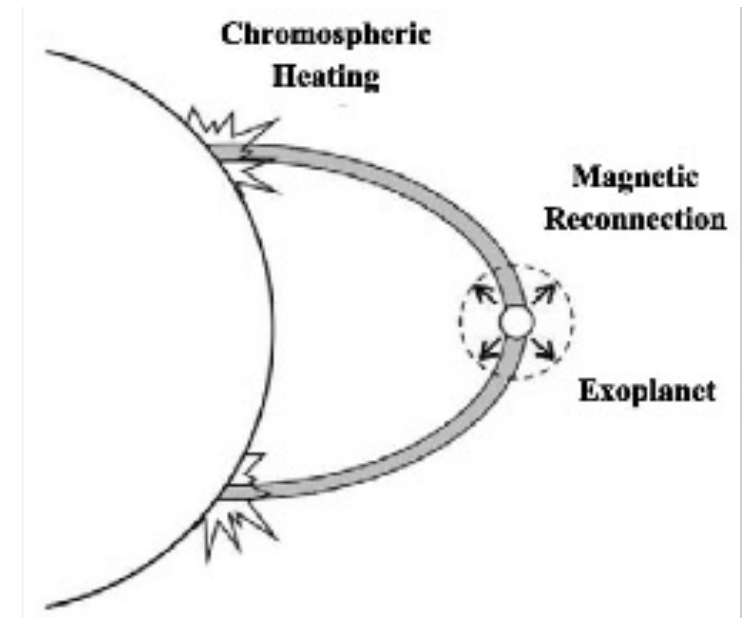
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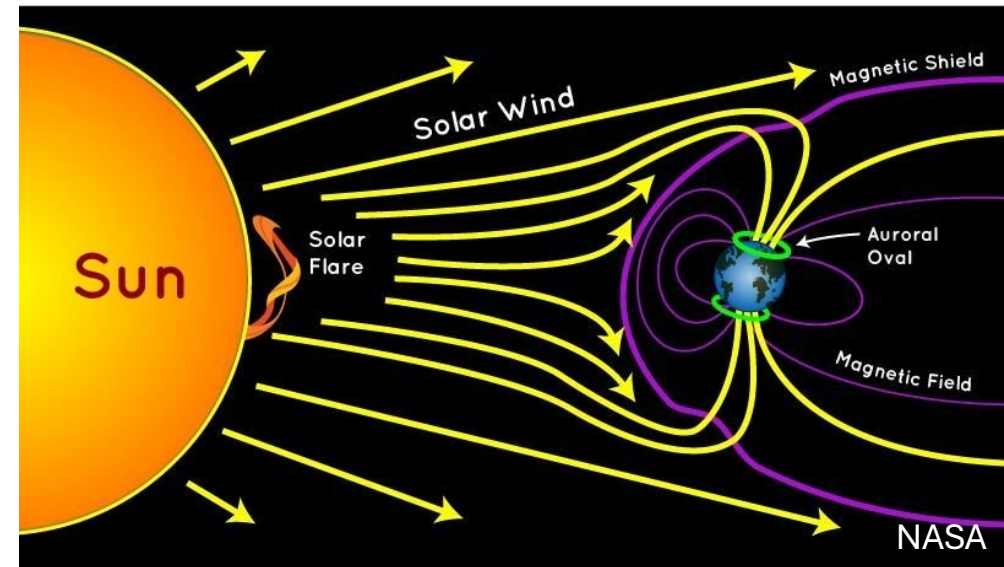
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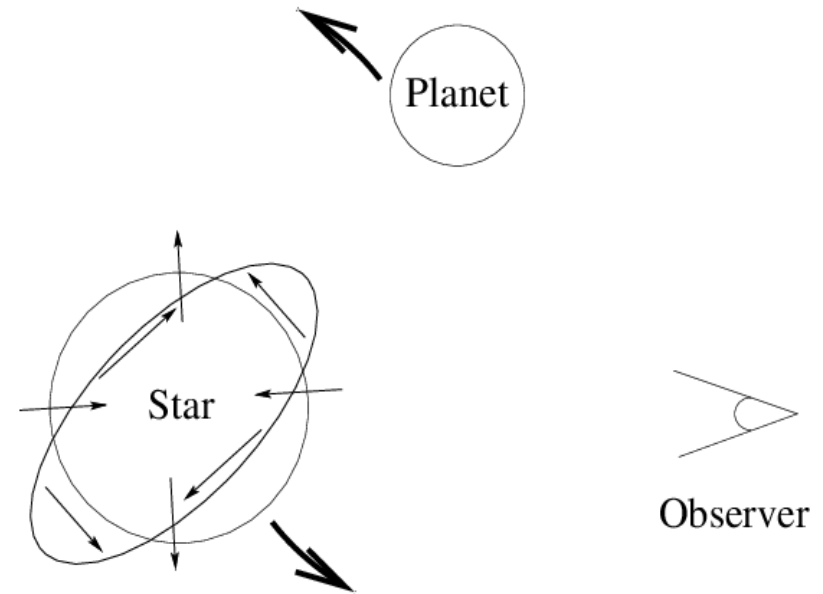


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Tidal Interactions

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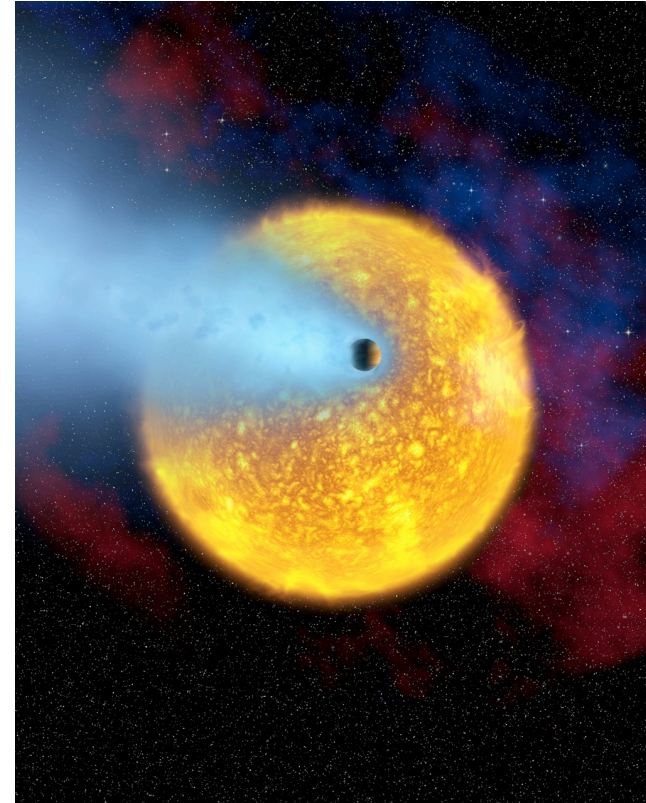
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Radiative Interactions

(e.g. Vidal-Madjar et al 2008, Lecavalier Des Etangs et al 2010, Haswell et al 2010, Fossati et al 2013, Bourrier et al 2013, Mordasini 2020, Modirrousta-Galian Korenaga 2023)



CREDIT: ESA, A.Vidal-Madjar (Institut d'Astrophysique de Paris, CNRS, France) & NASA

Manifestation of SPIs

SPIs: Tidal (T) , Magnetic (M) and Stellar Wind (W), Radiative (R)

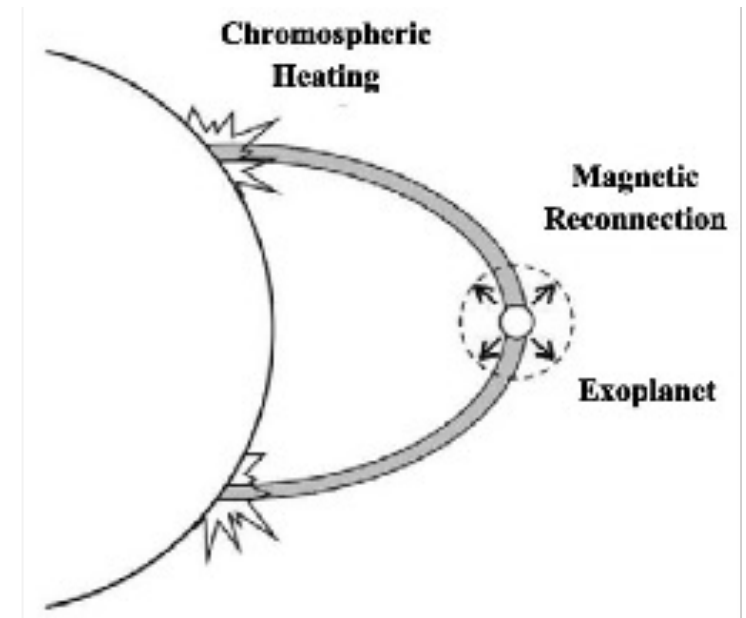
Star

Rotation spin-up (T)

Stellar inclination (T)

Stellar activity (Spots, Flares, ...) (M + T)

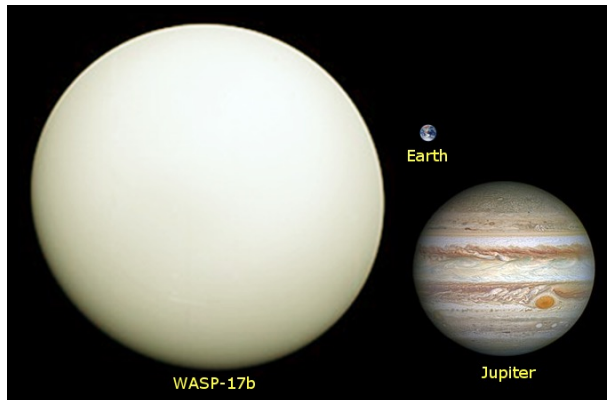
Stellar magnetic field (M + T)



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Planet

Tidal heating? (T)

Orbital evolution (T + W?)

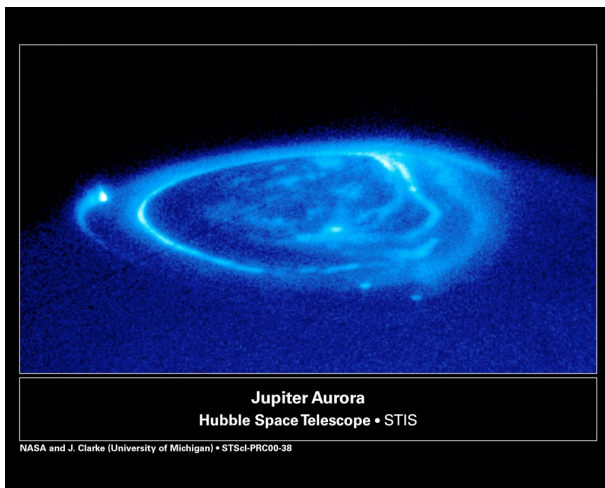
Atmospheric evaporation (W + R)

Aurora / Radio emission (W)

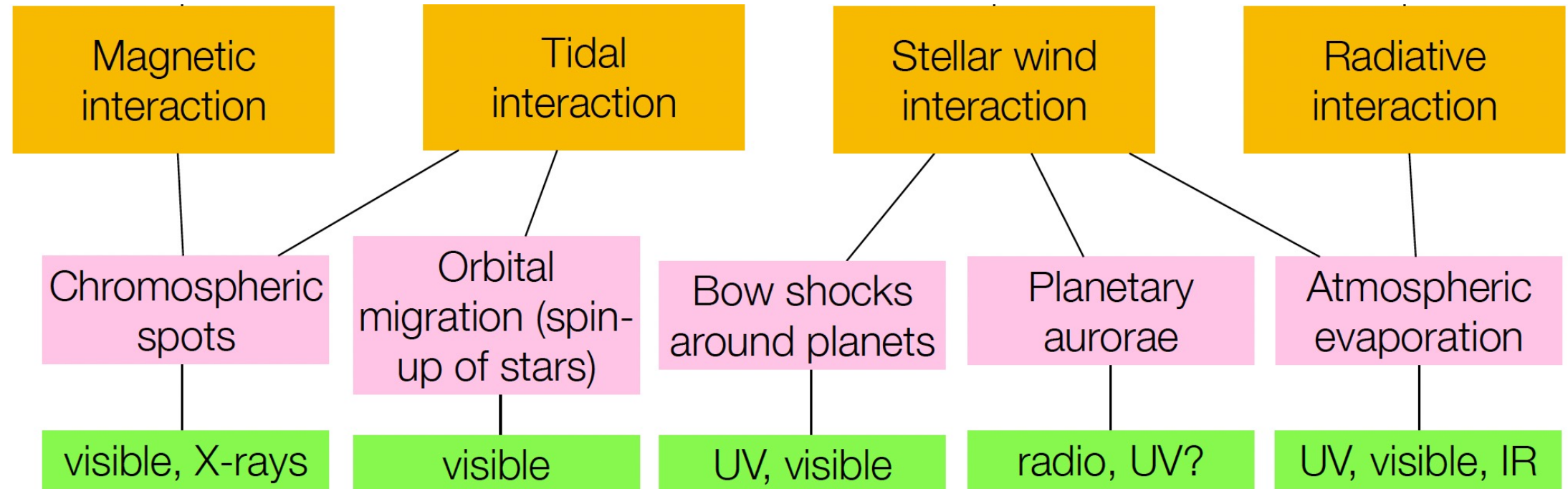
Bow shock formation (W)



Llama et al 2013



Manifestation of SPIs – wavelength approach



Vidotto 2019

Techniques: Spectroscopy, Photometry, Spectro-Polarimetry

How to study SPIs?

➤ Statistical approach

- Observe a sample of planet hosting stars
- Study the effect you want to explore (magnetic field characteristics, activity, flares, X-ray luminosity, ...)
- Compare to a sample of stars not hosting planet

➤ Multi-wavelength observations of particular systems

Stellar magnetic field & stellar activity, model the stellar wind, predict and radio emission/ bow shock formation, study effect of activity of the planetary atmosphere

(e.g. MOVES programme -Multiwavelength Observations of an eVaporating Exoplanet and its Star, Fares et al 2017, Kavanagh et al 2019, Bourrier et al 2020, Barth et al 2021, Strugarek et al 2022)

Key element in SPI – Magnetic Field

Star

Rotation spin-up

Stellar inclination

Stellar activity (Spots, Flares, ...)

Stellar magnetic field

Planet

Tidal heating

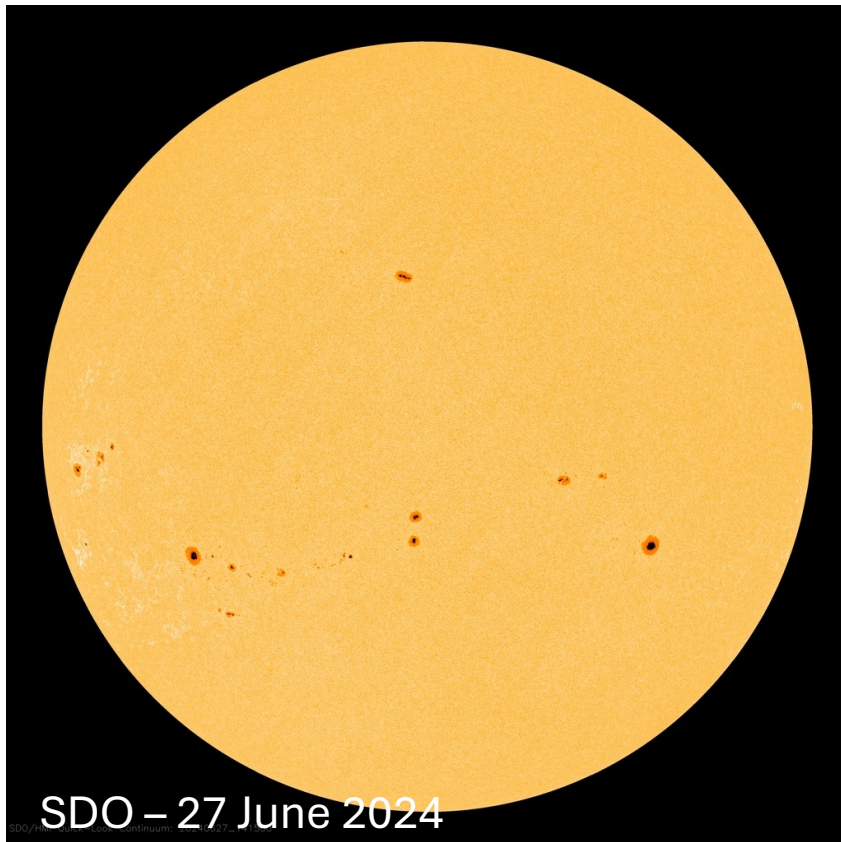
Orbital evolution (partially)

Atmospheric evaporation

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Bow shock formation

Solar magnetism



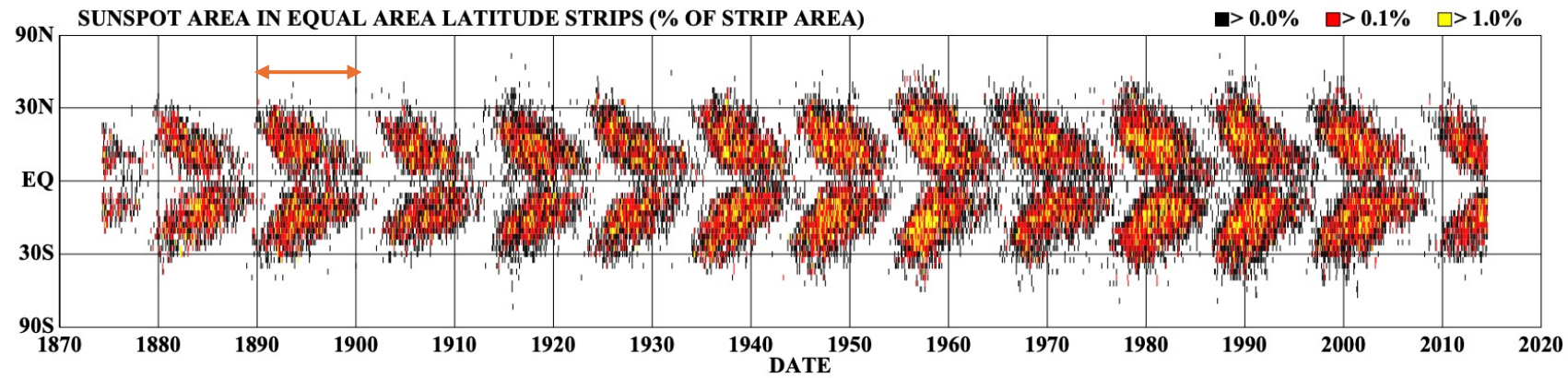
- ✓ Spots
- ✓ Faculae



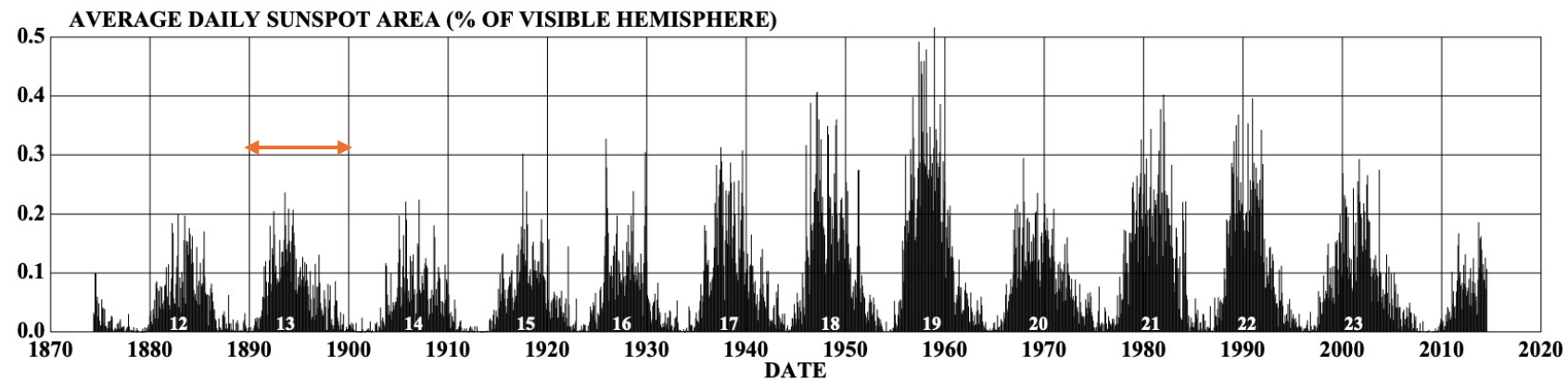
- Small Scale Magnetic Field
- Solar Activity

Solar cycle

Sunspot Cycle ~ 11 years



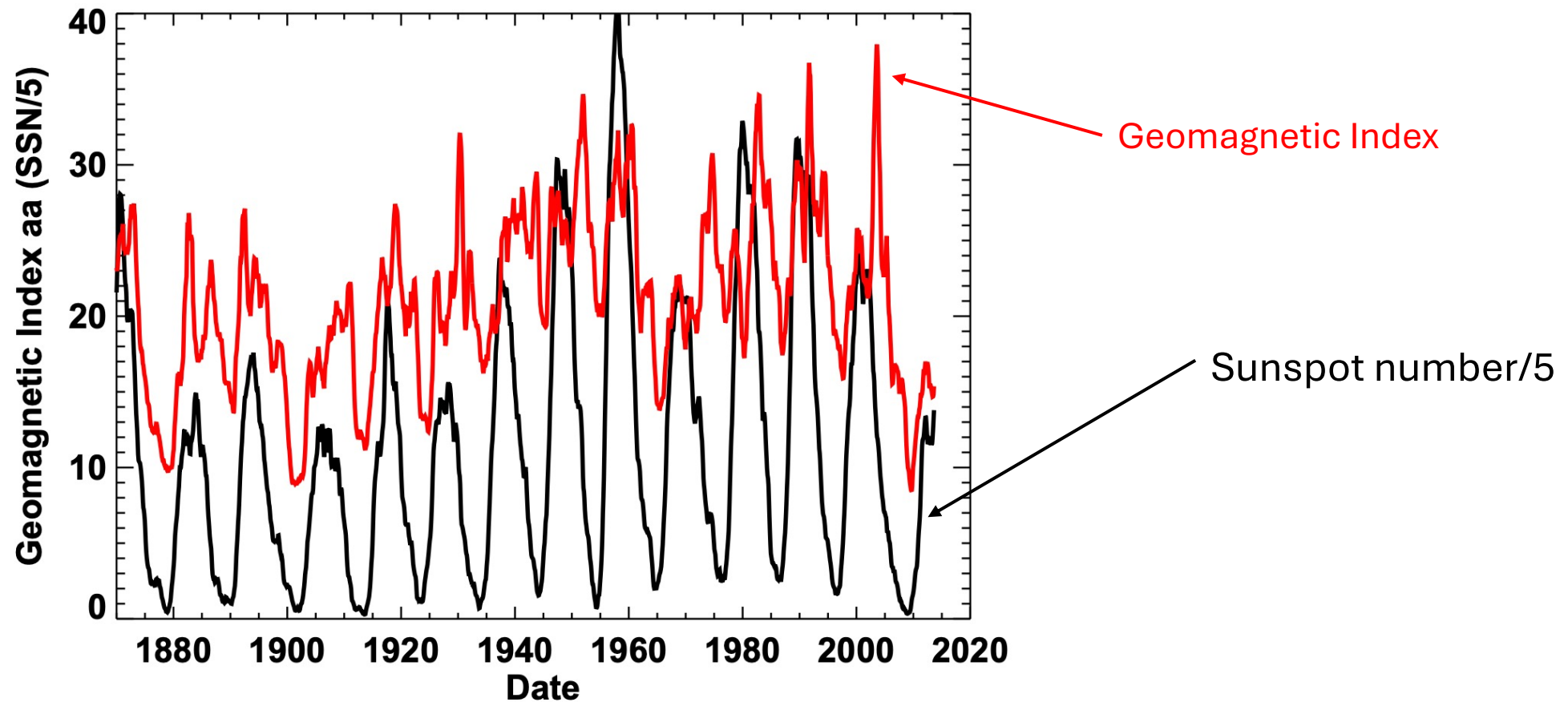
Butterfly Diagram



Sunspot Area

Solar cycle

Geomagnetic perturbation follow the solar cycle



Activity tracers

Some spectral lines are activity tracers

CaII H (396.8 nm)

CaII K (393.4 nm)

H α (656.3 nm)

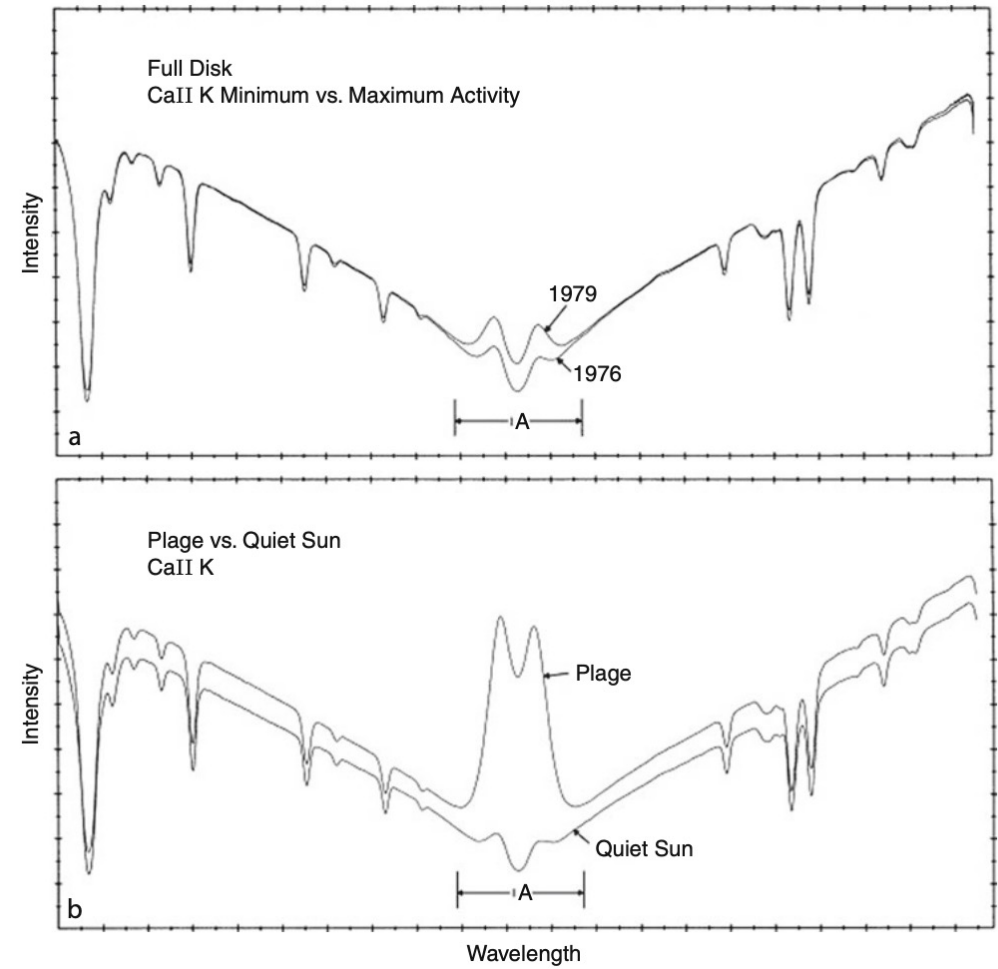
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In CaII H&K lines:

Emission in the line core can be present (in case of activity)

due to (magnetic) heating

Chromospheric emission



Ca II K line

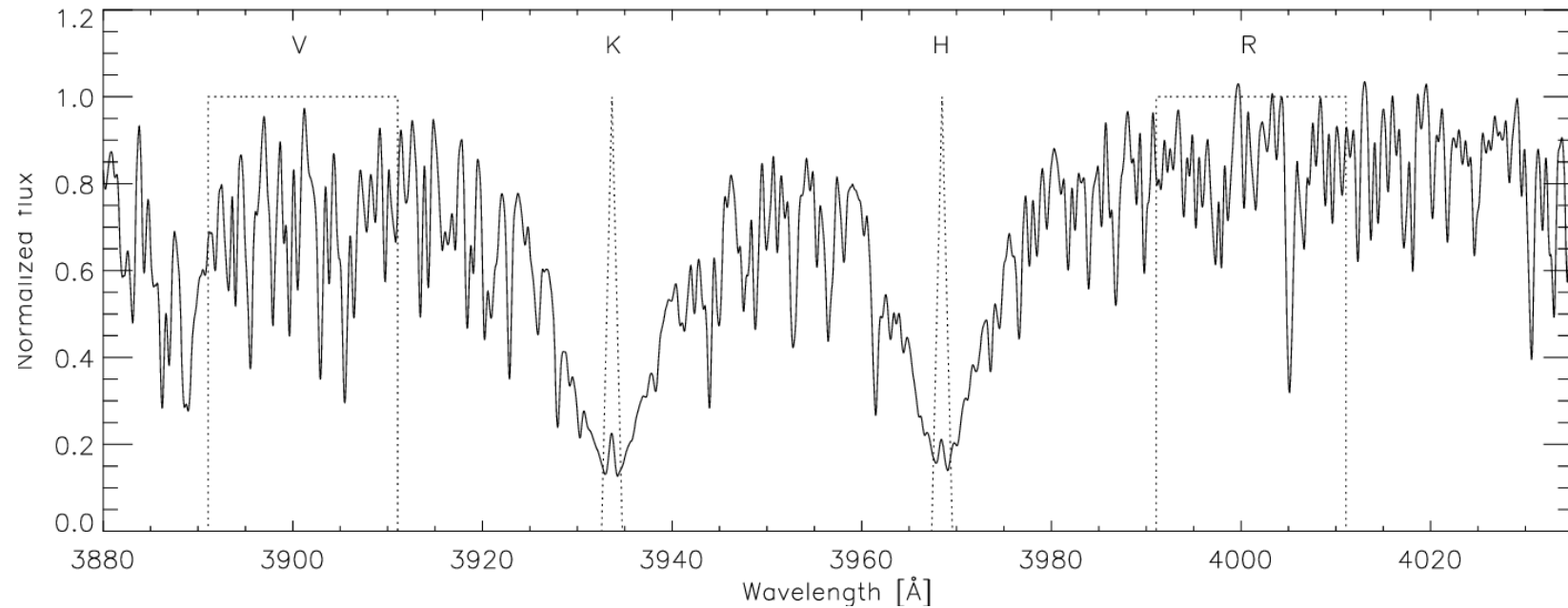
Activity tracers

Ca II H&K

S-index

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(See, Mount Wilson HK project, Baliunas et al 1995)



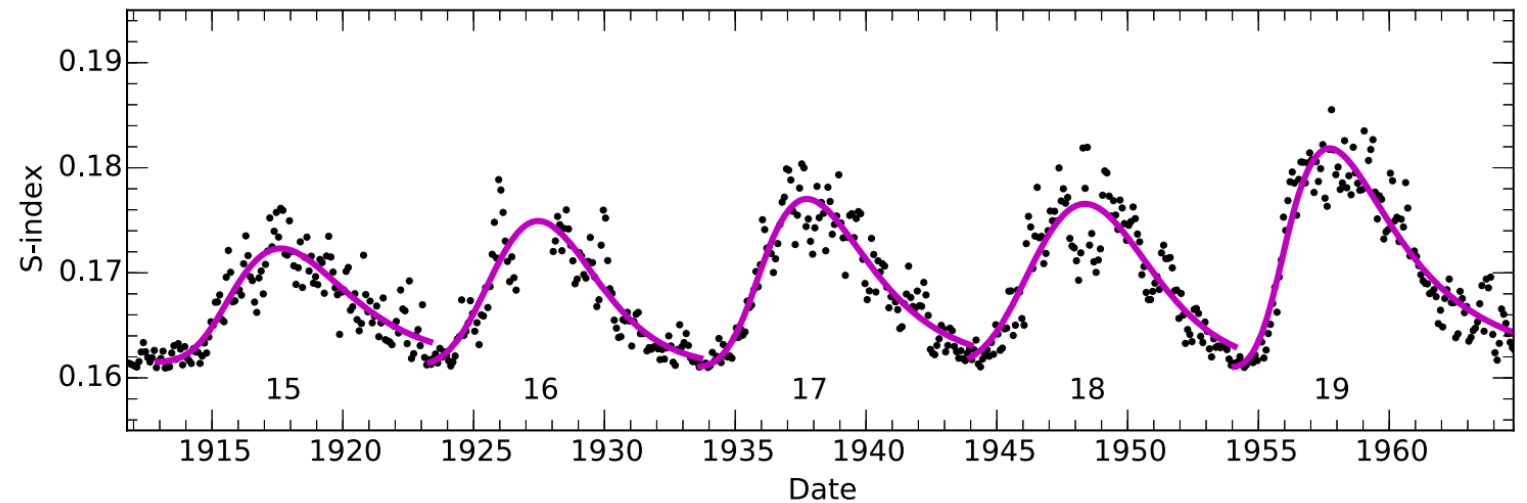
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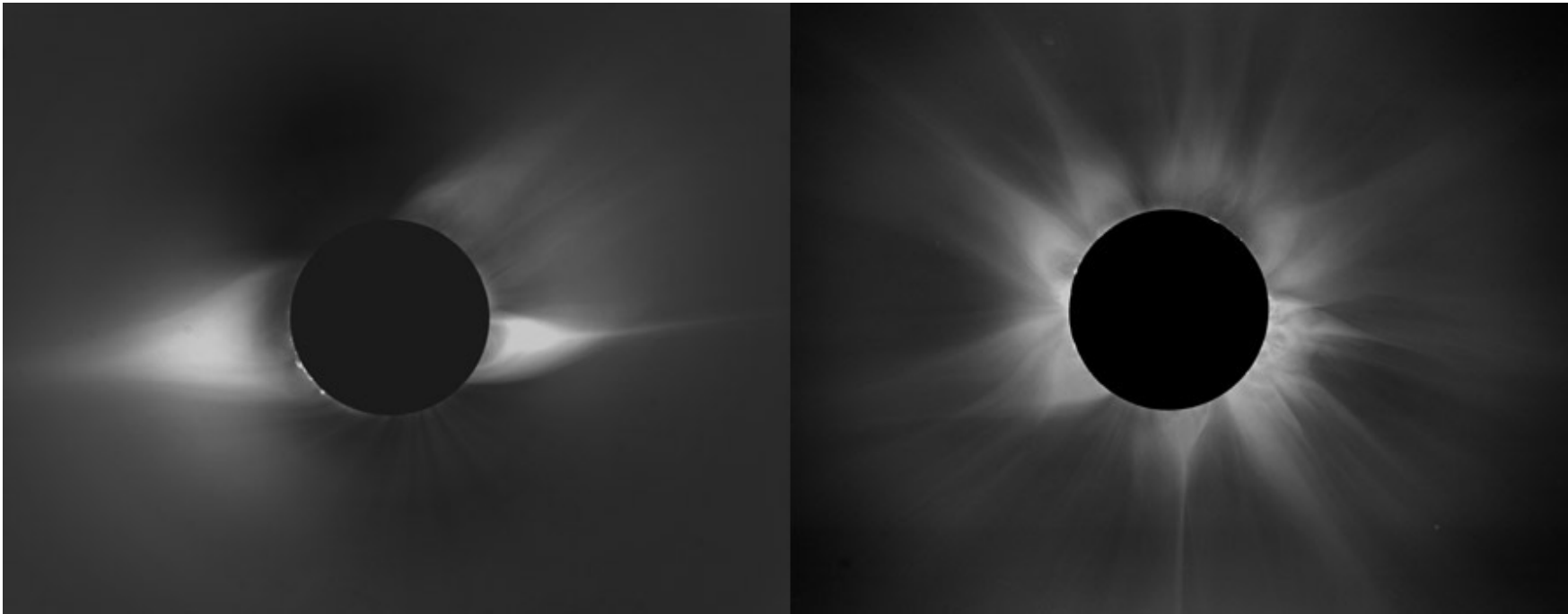
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Egeland et al 2017

Solar cycle

Large-Scale Magnetic Field

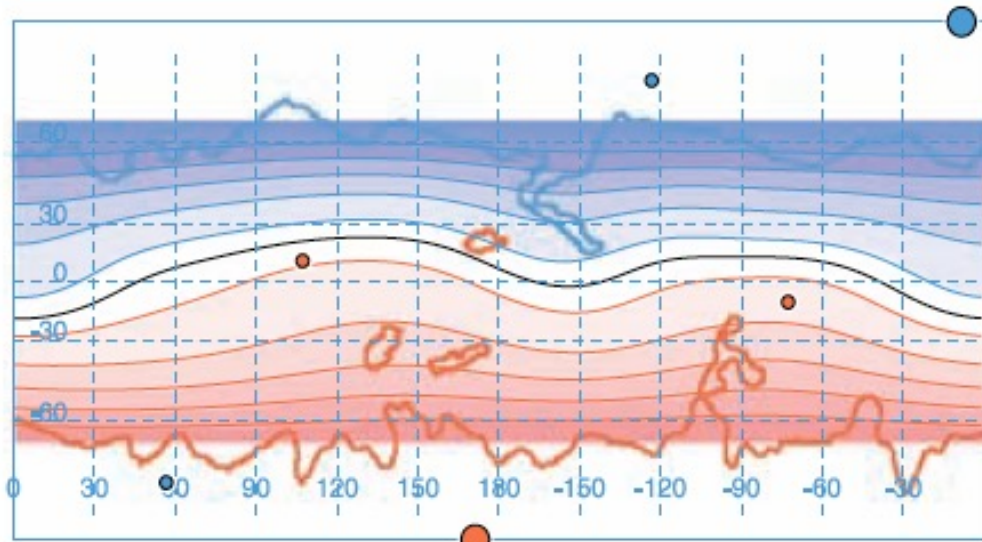


Solar Minimum

Solar Maximum

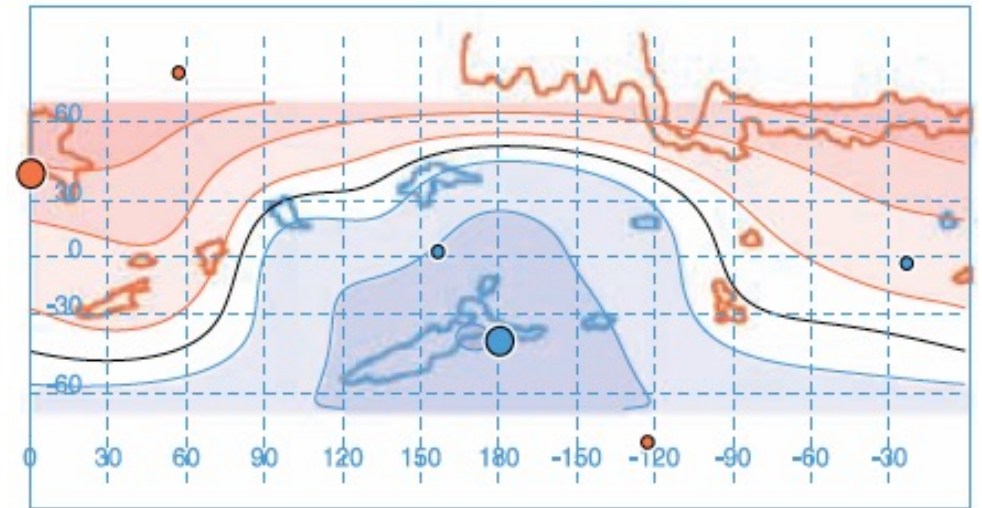
Different Configurations at different epochs

Solar cycle – polarity reversal every 11 years



1997

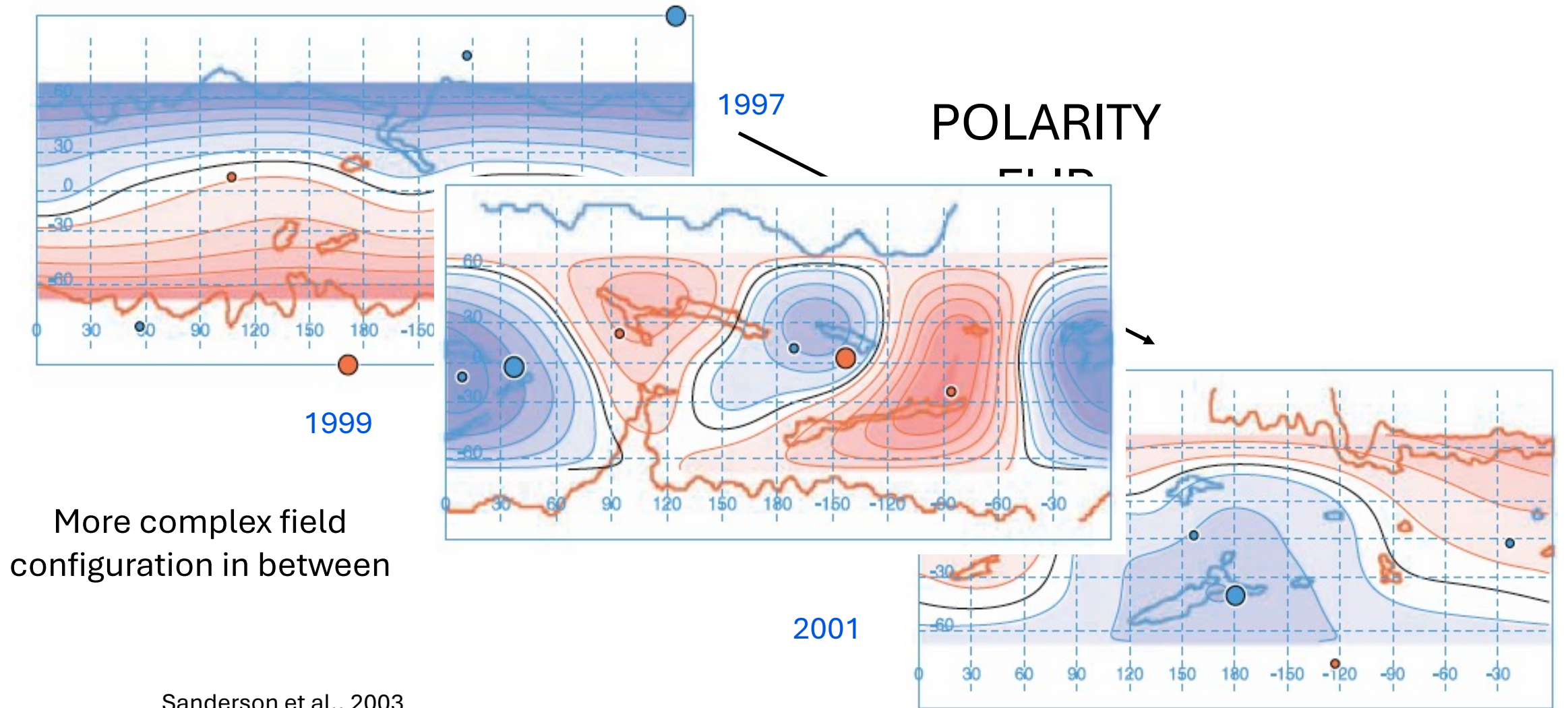
**POLARITY
FLIP**



2001

Sanderson et al., 2003

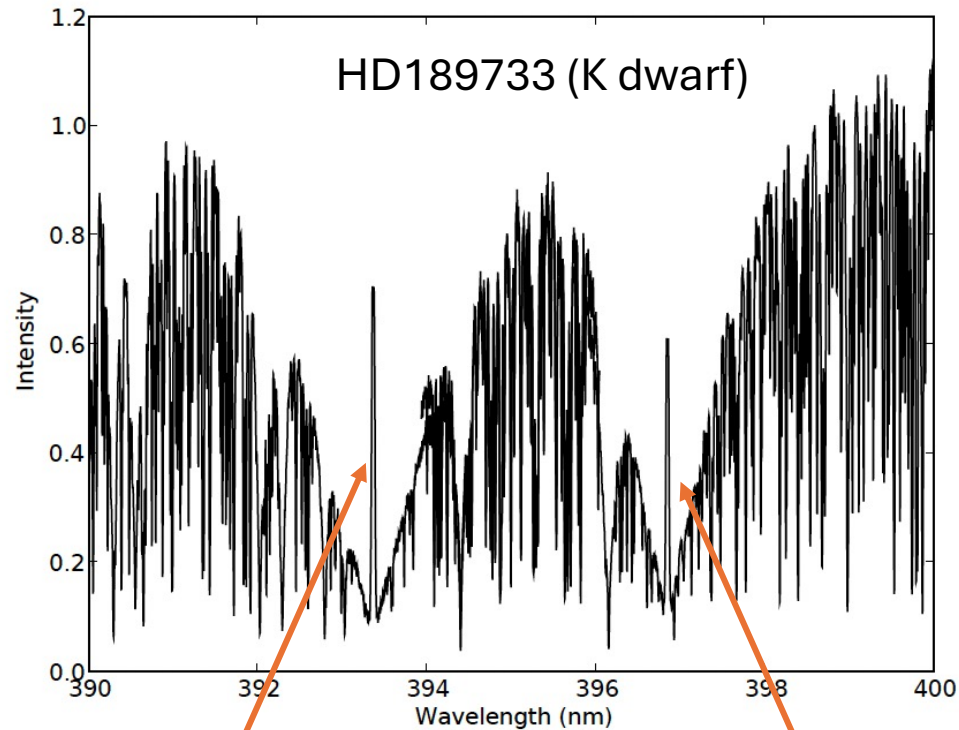
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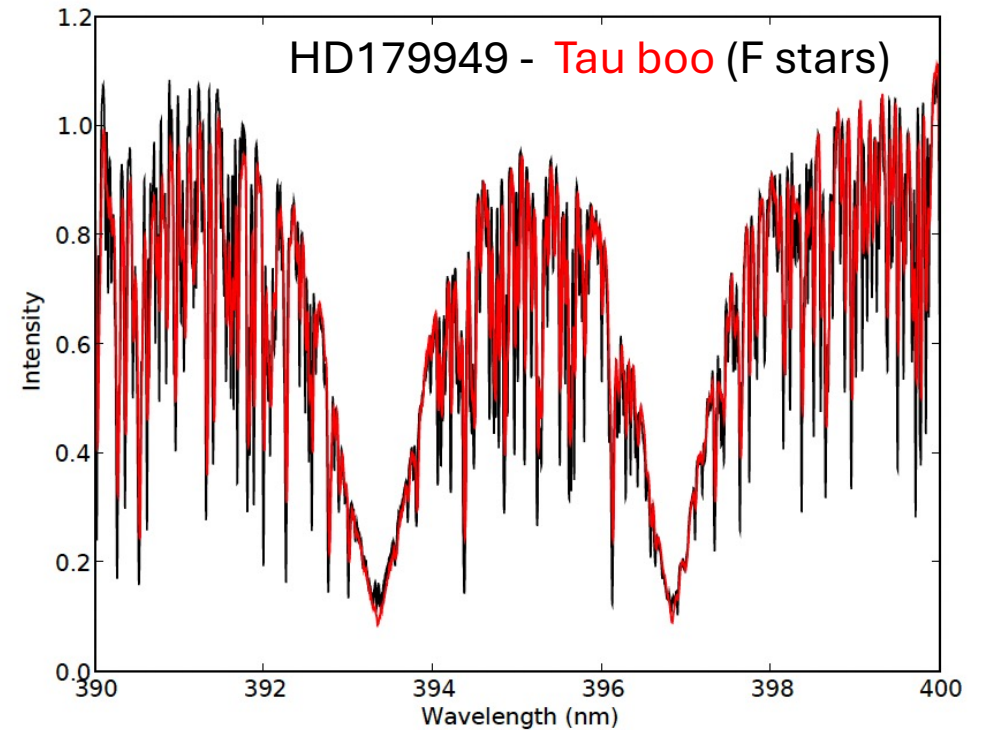
How about stars?

Call H&K lines for cool stars of different activity levels



Call K

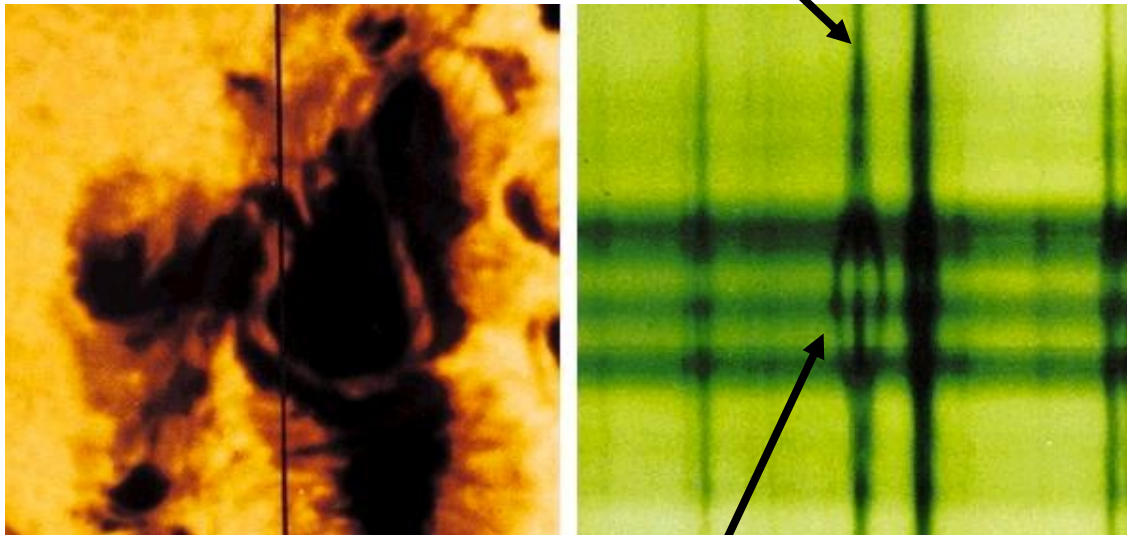
Call H



Stellar magnetism

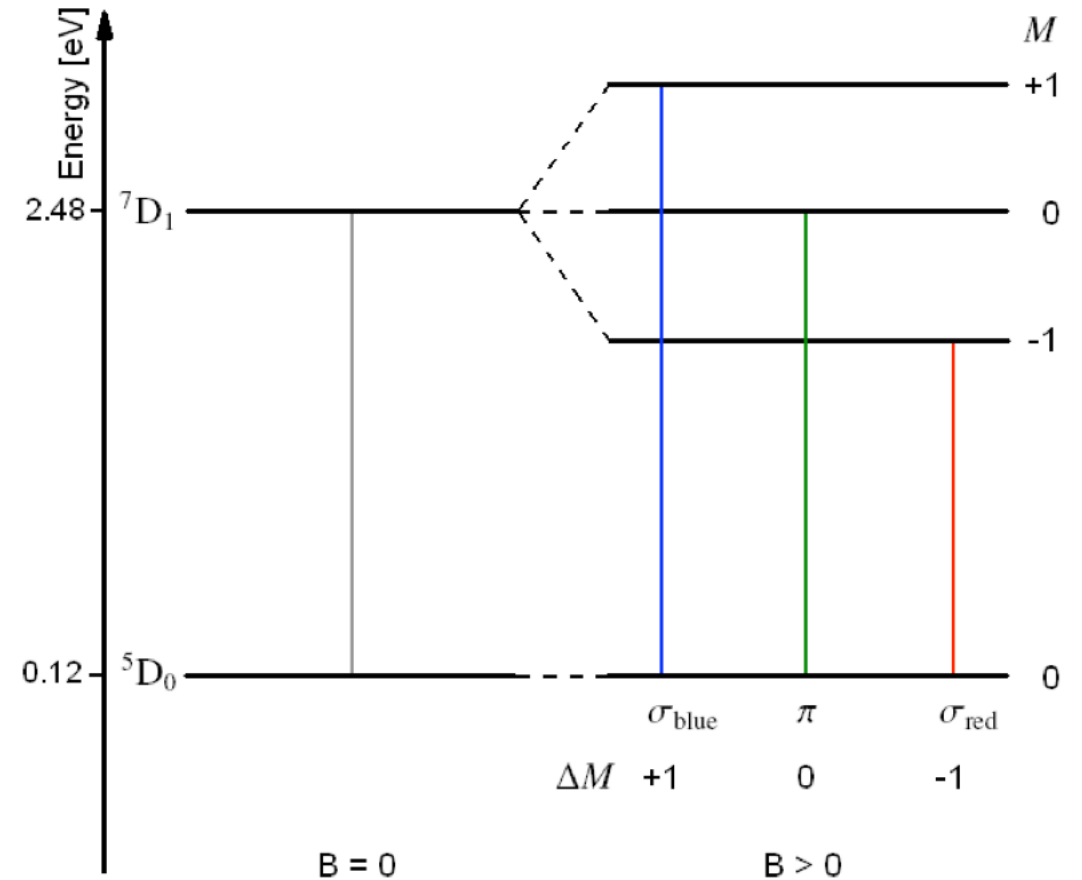
Sunspot

Outside the sunspot:
A single line



Inside the sunspot:
Line splitting due to Zeeman Effect

Zeeman Effect

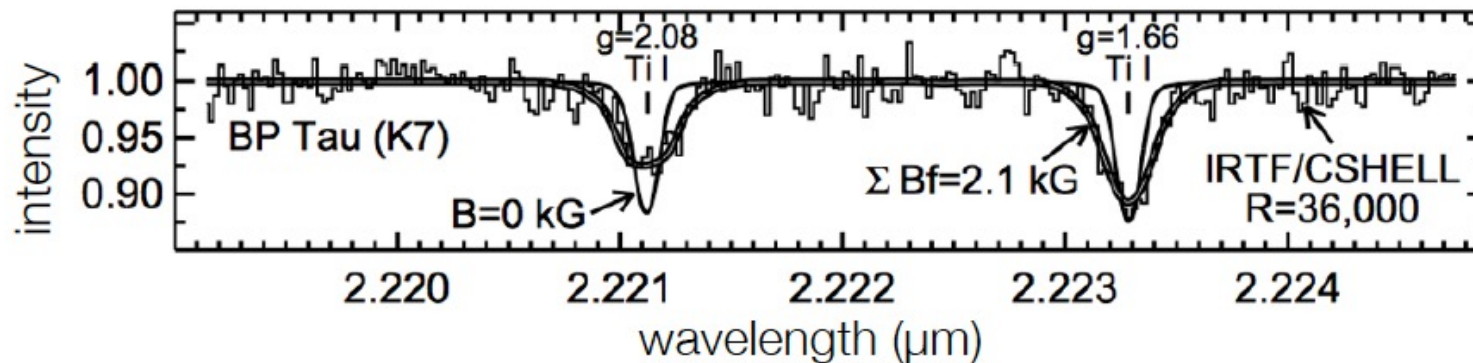
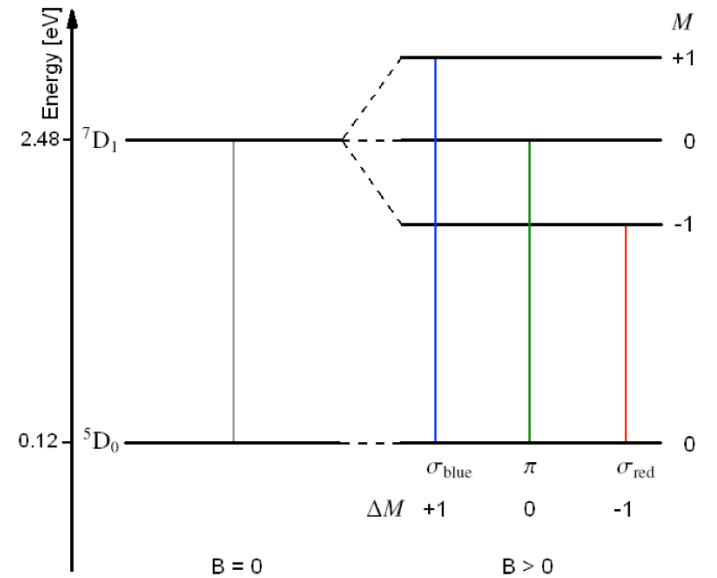


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1. Zeeman broadening is prop. to magnetic field

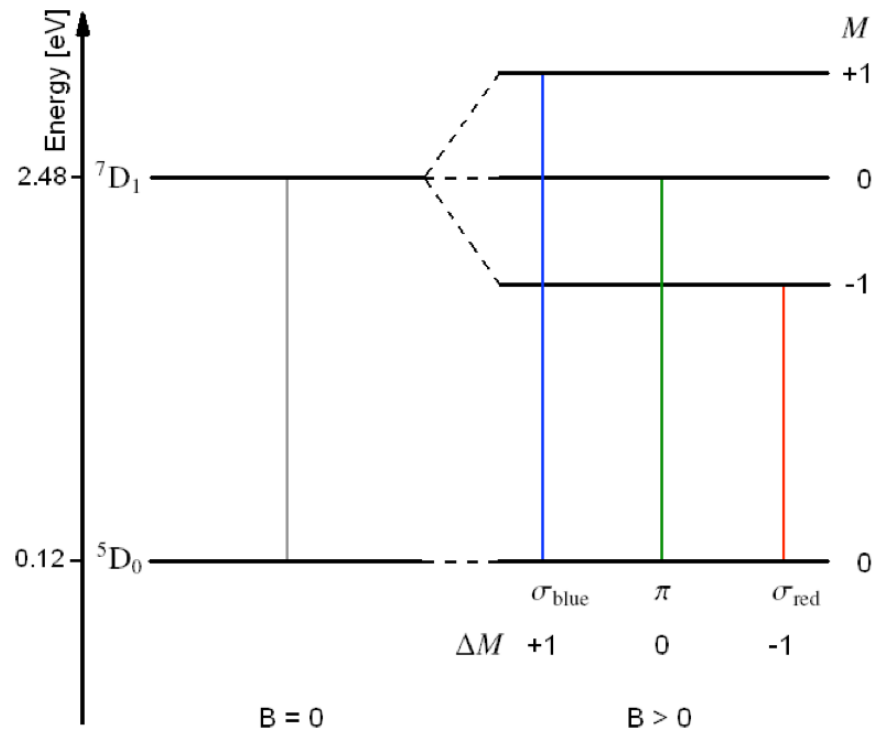
$$\Delta\lambda[\text{nm}] = 4.67 \times 10^{-12} \lambda^2[\text{nm}] g_{\text{lande}} B[\text{G}]$$

2. It depends on wavelength of the line and lande factor

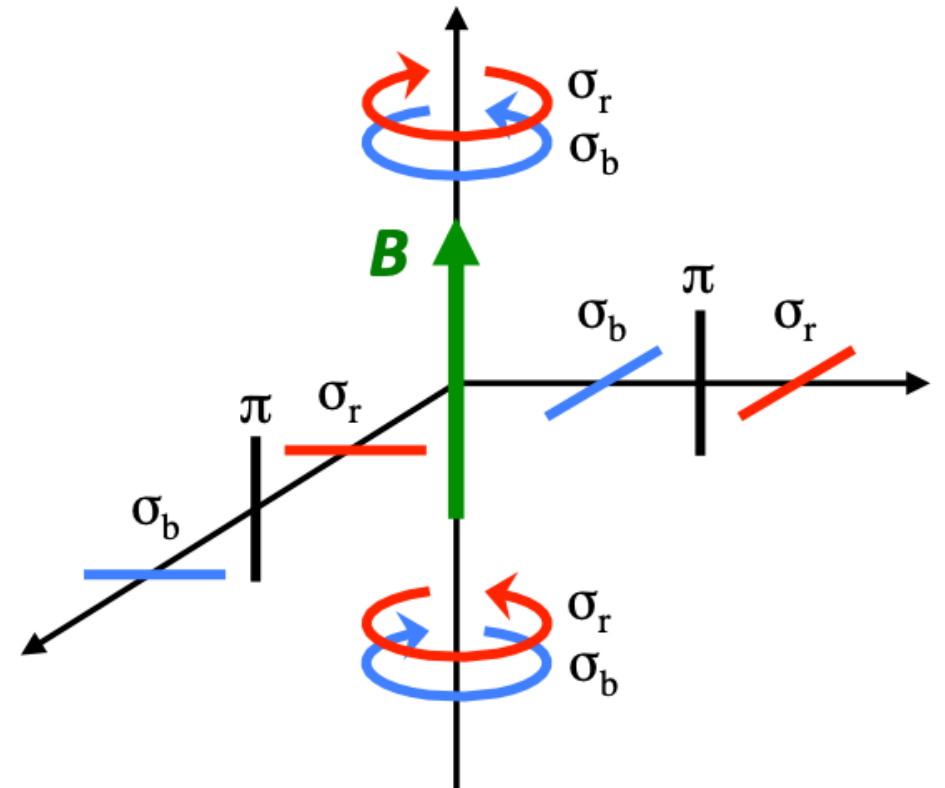


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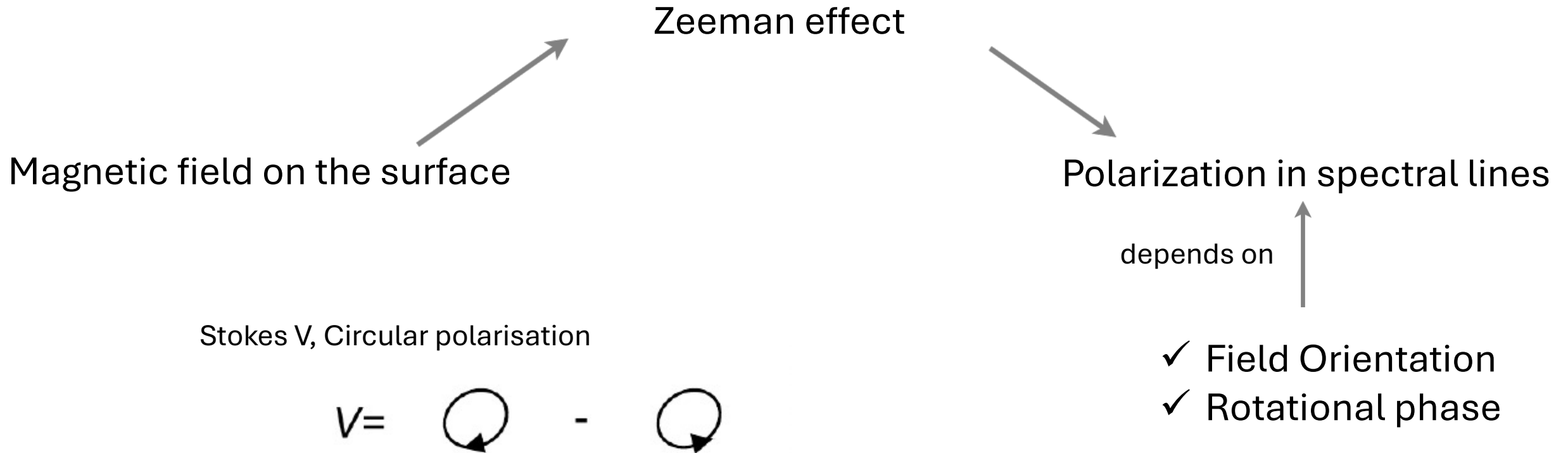


The new spectral lines are **polarised**



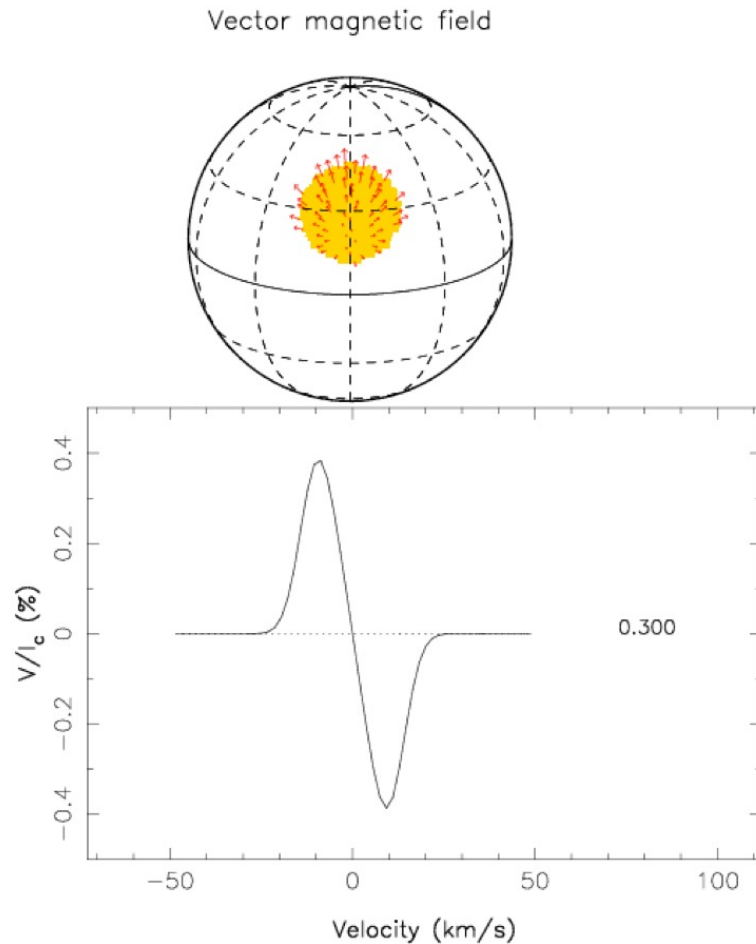
The polarisation depends on the magnetic field orientation relative to the observer

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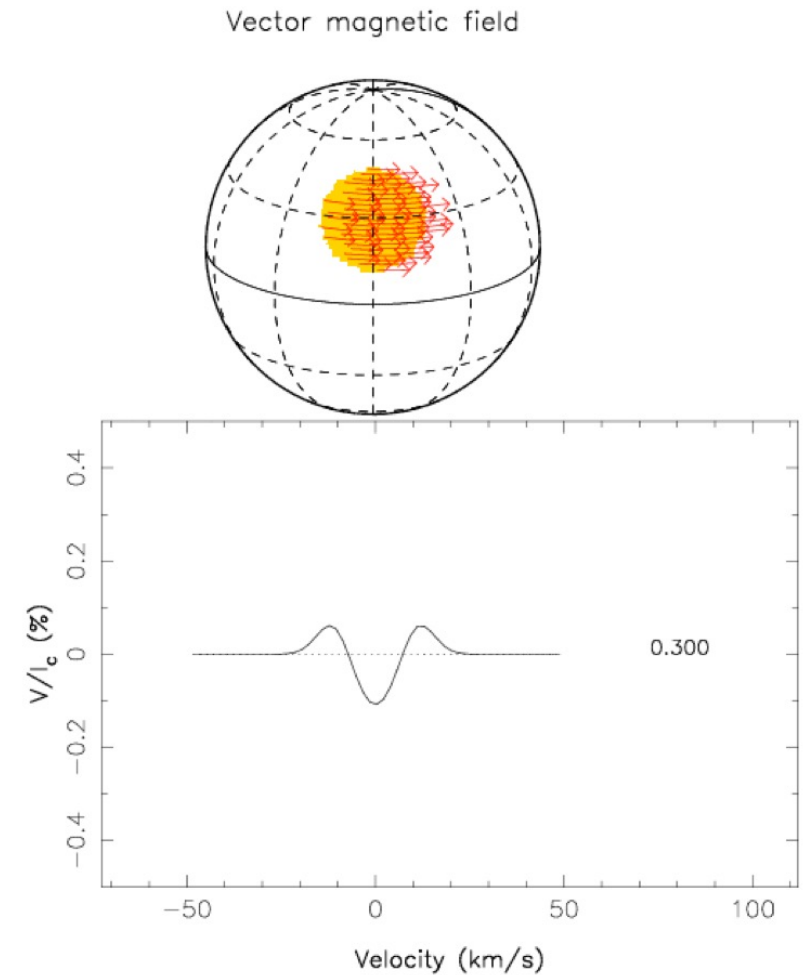


Stellar magnetic fields

Radial



Azimuthal



Credit: J.-F. Donati

Zeeman-Doppler Imaging ZDI

Tomographic Imaging - ZDI

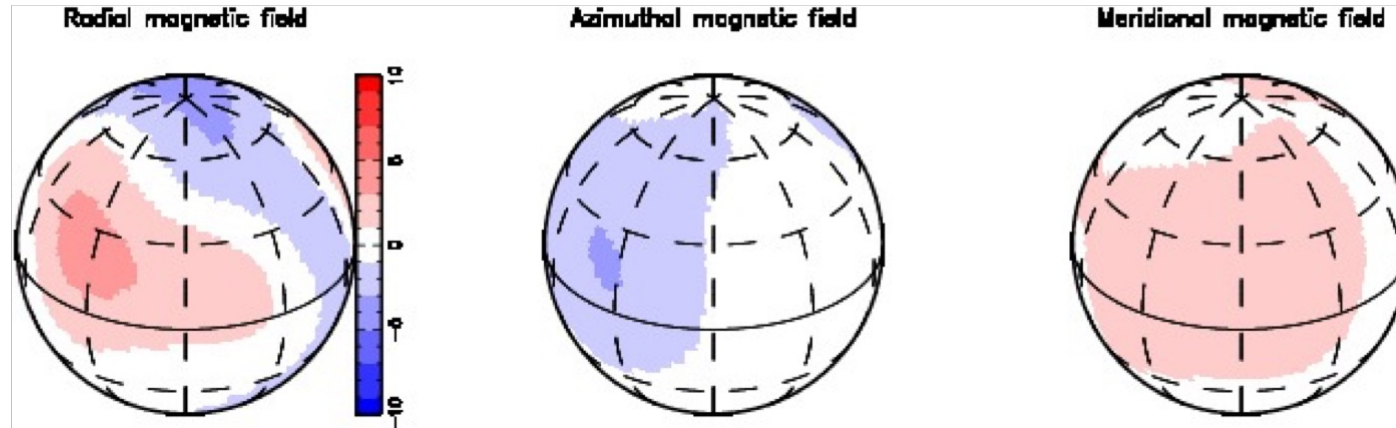
(Donati et al 1997, Donati et al 2006)

We collect

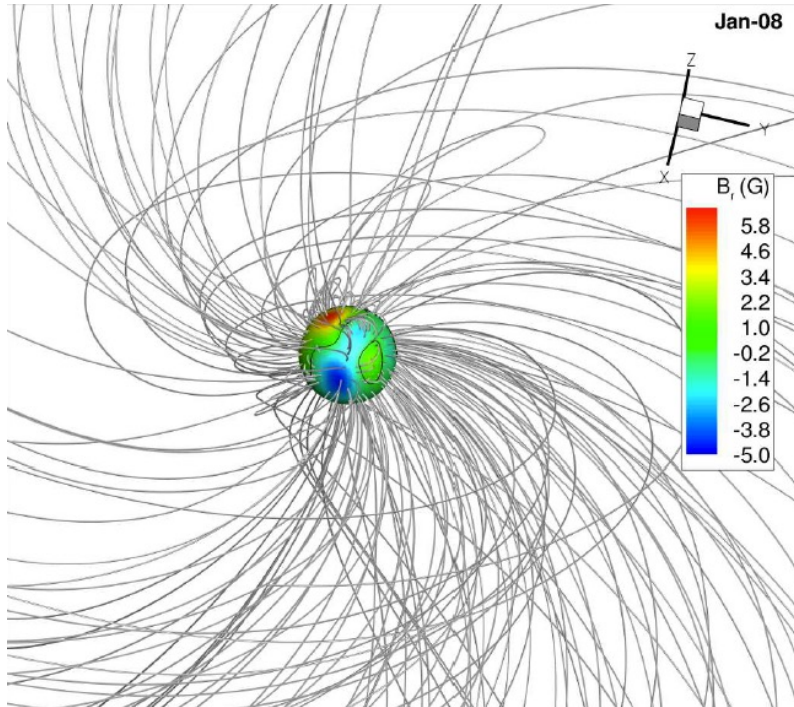
Time series of
polarized spectra

We reconstruct

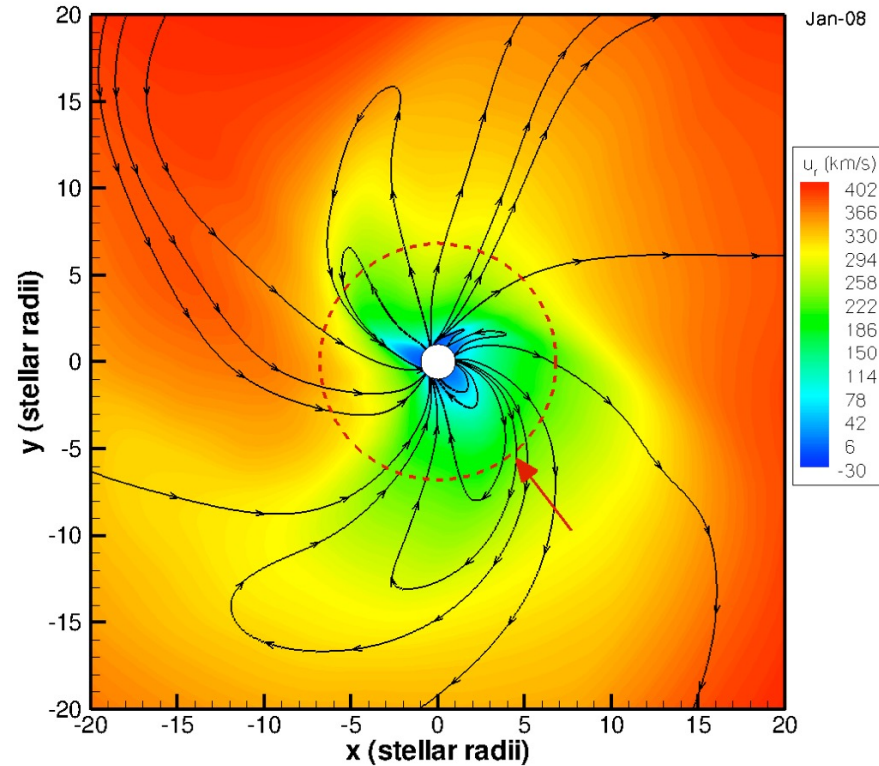
Magnetic region localisation
Field orientation
Field strength



ZDI maps and SPI

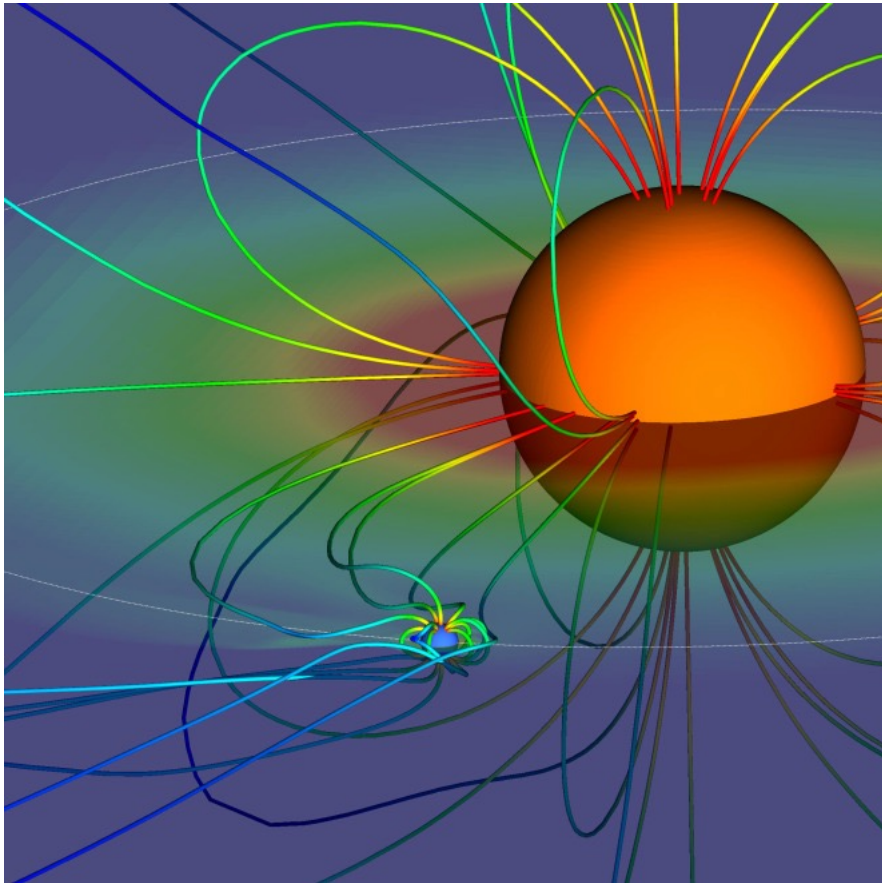


Vidotto et al, 2012



- Model the corona and stellar wind - See Julian's talk
- Model exoplanet radio emission – See J.-M.'s talk
- Study effect on planetary atmosphere – See Ekaterina and Sudeshna's talks

ZDI maps and SPI



Credit: A. Strugarek

- Stars have a complicated magnetic field (usually not a simple dipole)
- The magnetic fields of cool stars evolve over short period e.g. Tau Boo (F, planet hosting) has a **magnetic cycle of 8 months!**
- Planetary environment is thus:
 - Variable on the orbit
 - Variable over time

And so are SPIs ...

ZDI Challenges

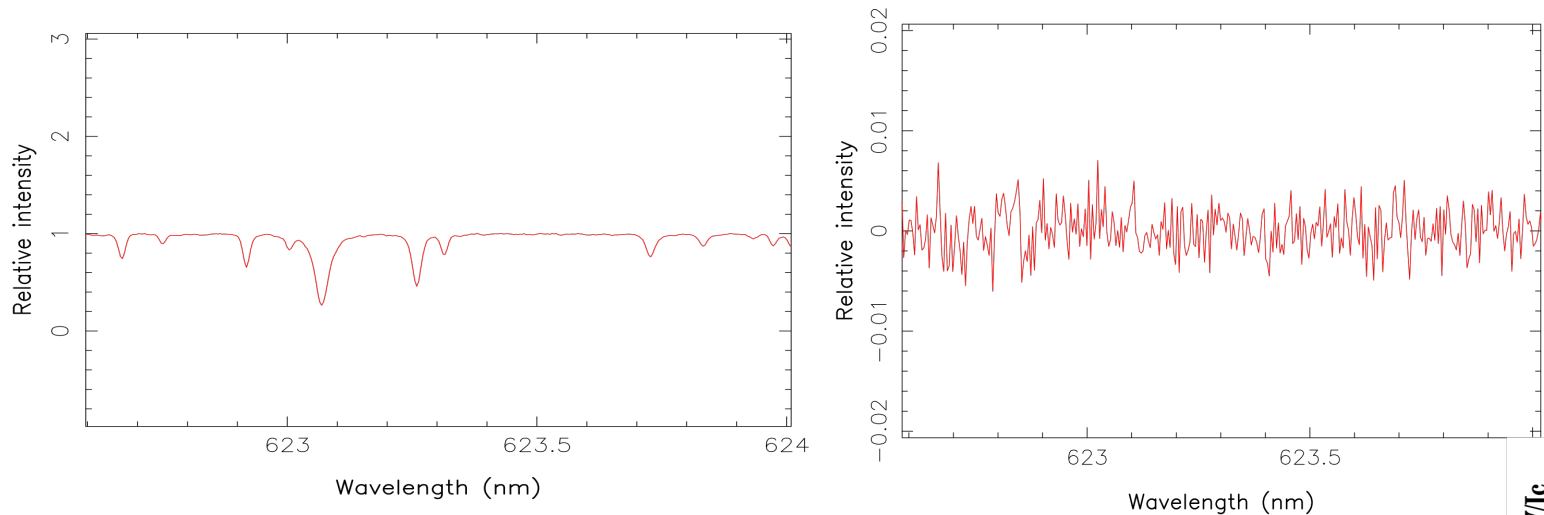
- Telescope time, ZDI is very demanding

Id	Telescope	Mode	Instrument	Total duration	
A	TBL	Service	Neo-Narval	18h 03m 00s (18.05h)	Spectropolarimetry
B	OHP	Service	Sophie	2h 00m 00s (2.00h)	Spectroscopy (to collect more spectra than in polar)

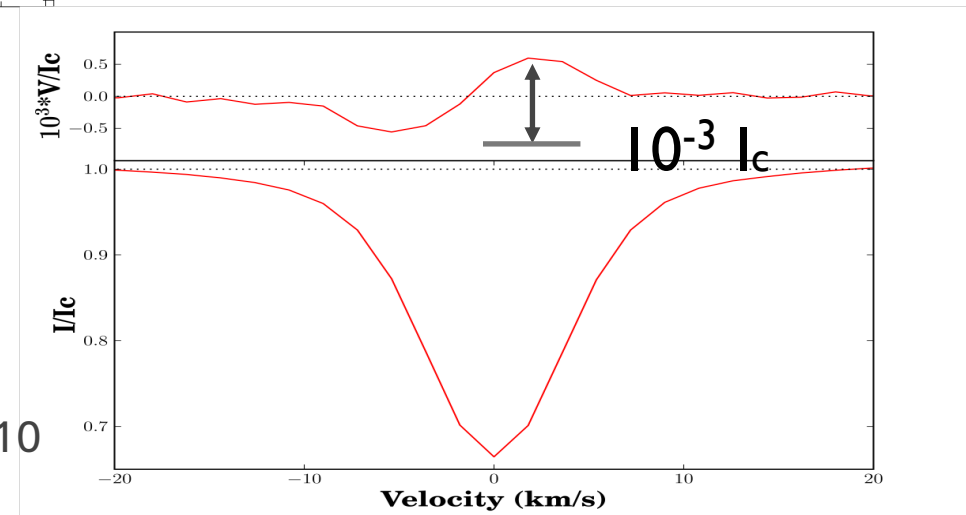
- ZDI recovers large-scale polarity, small-scale field can cancel out in some field geometries

Spectropol signatures

- Polarised signatures within the noise level



- Extract the signal from many lines, e.g. LSD

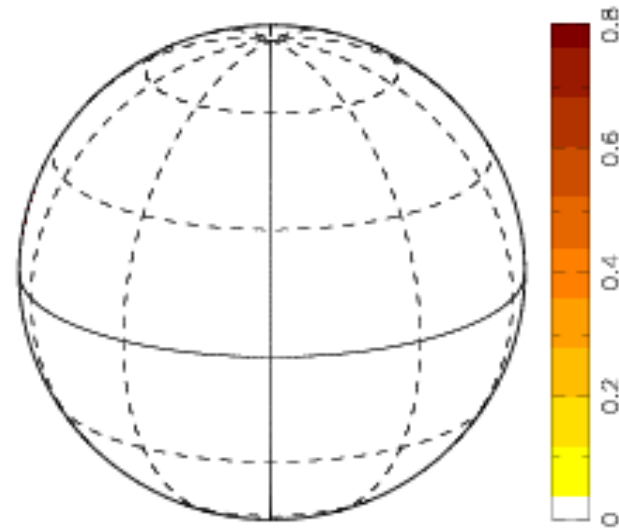


HD189733, Fares et al 2010

Stellar activity as tracer of SPI?

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Activity index → Modulated by the Stellar Rotation



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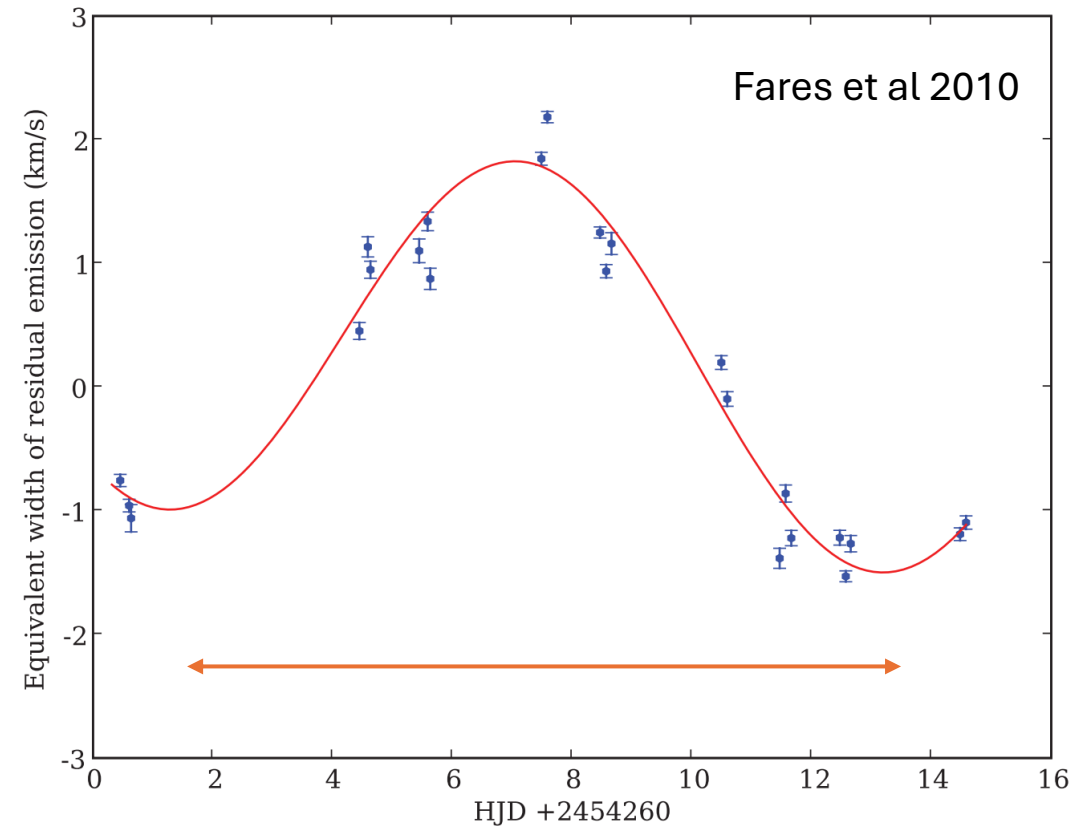
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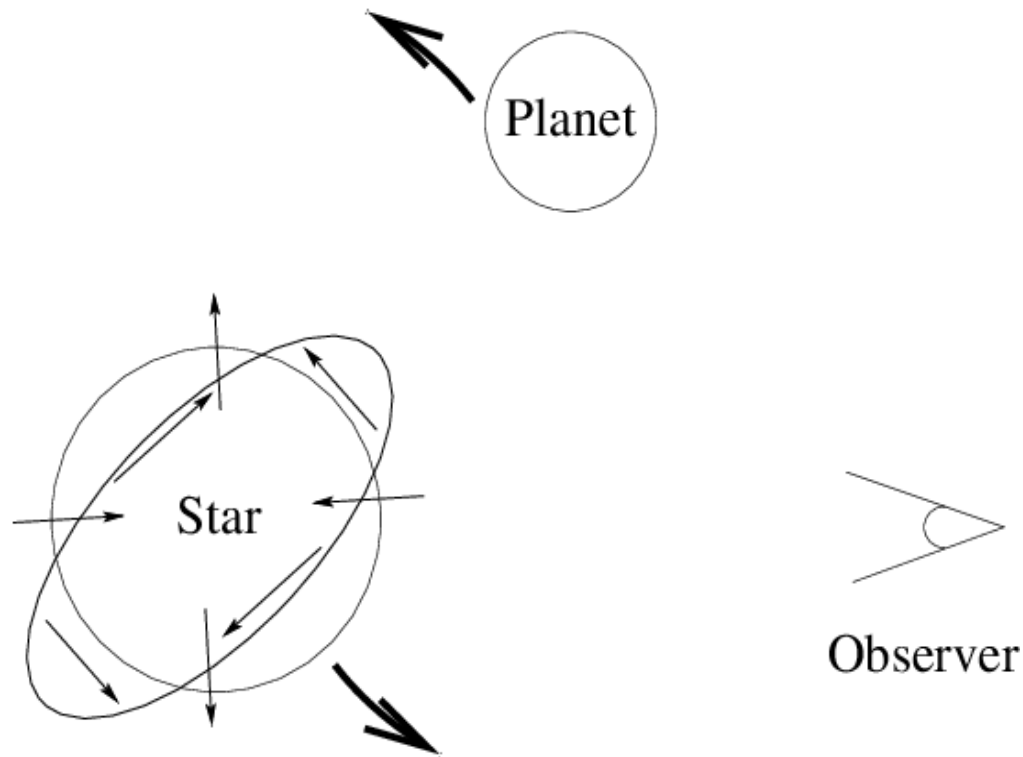
HD189733

Prot ~ 12 days



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Tidal Interactions



Arras et al 2012

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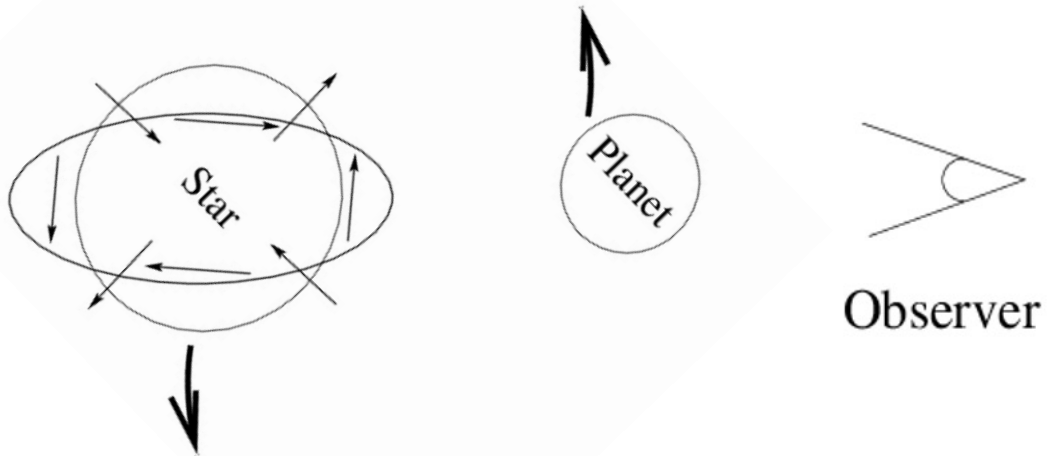
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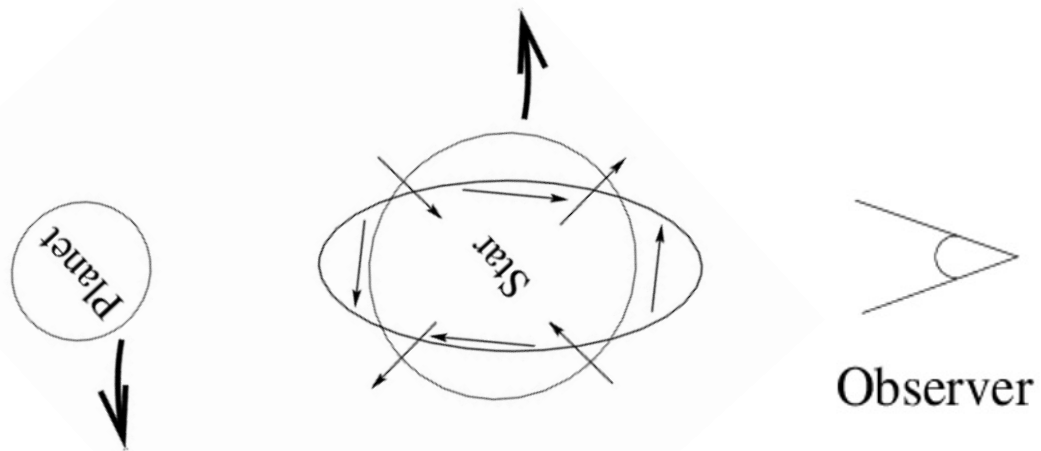
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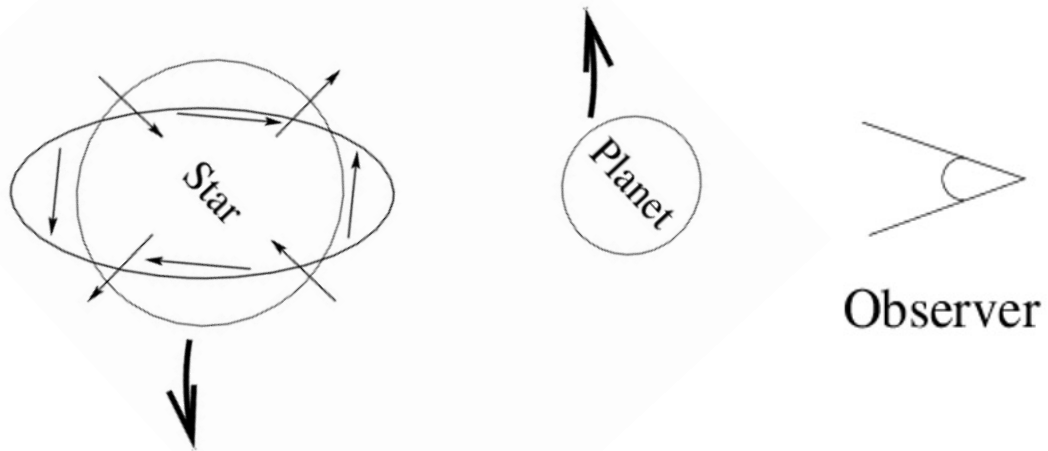
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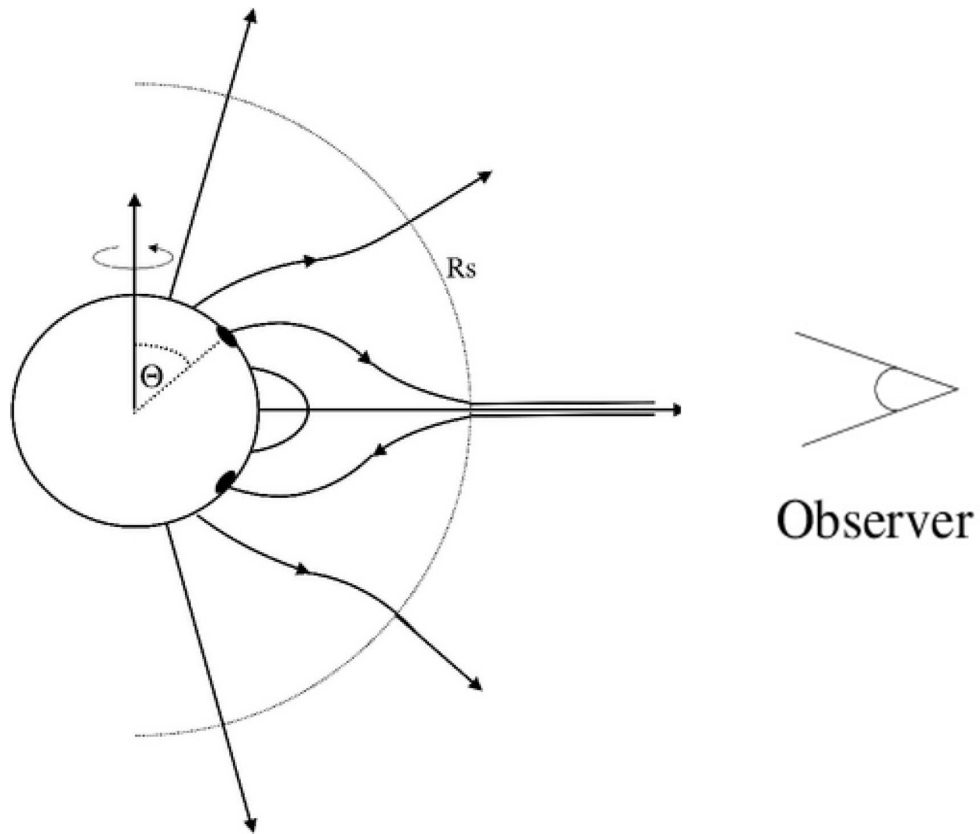
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Observed twice in every planetary orbit

Activity modulated by $P_{orb}/2$

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McIvor et al 2006

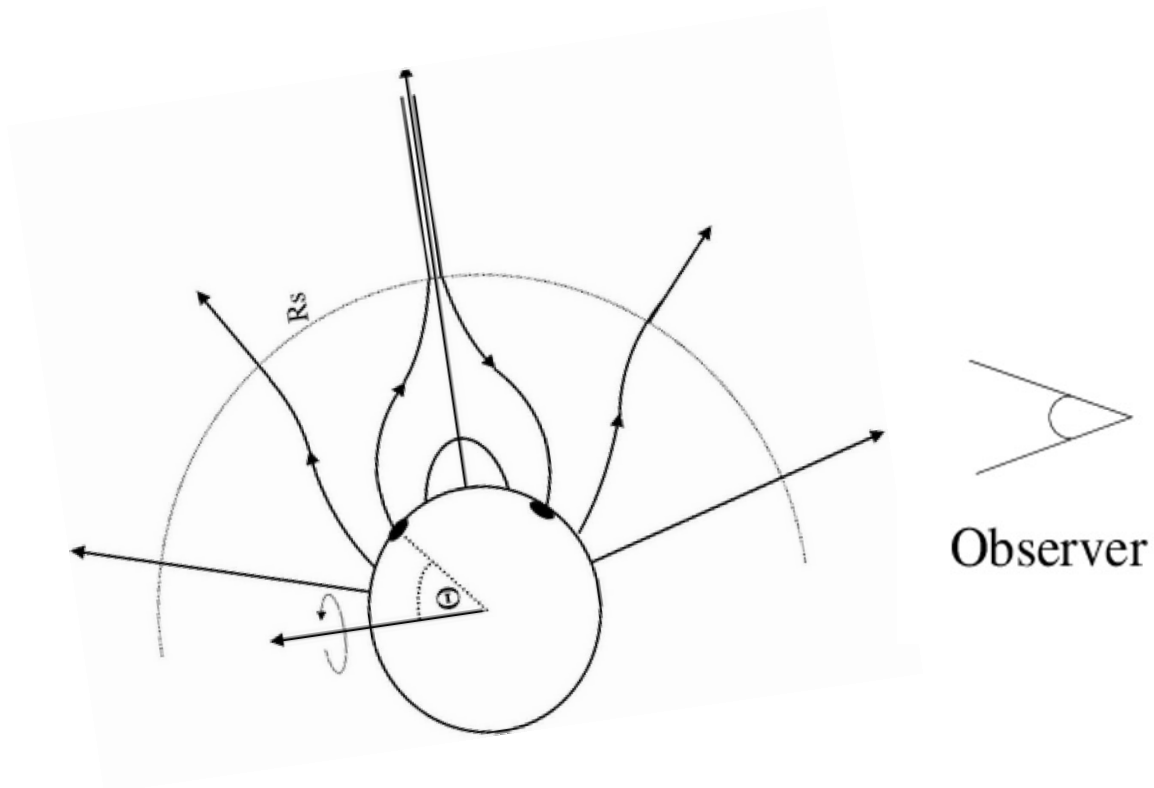
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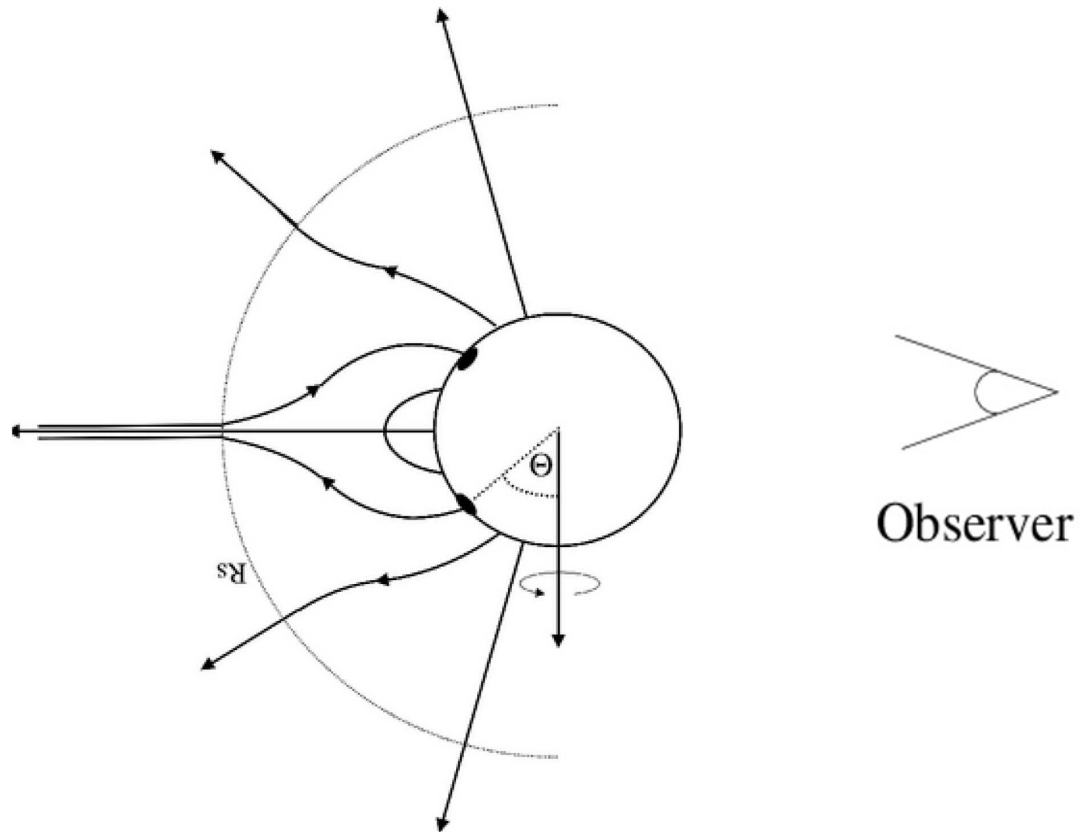
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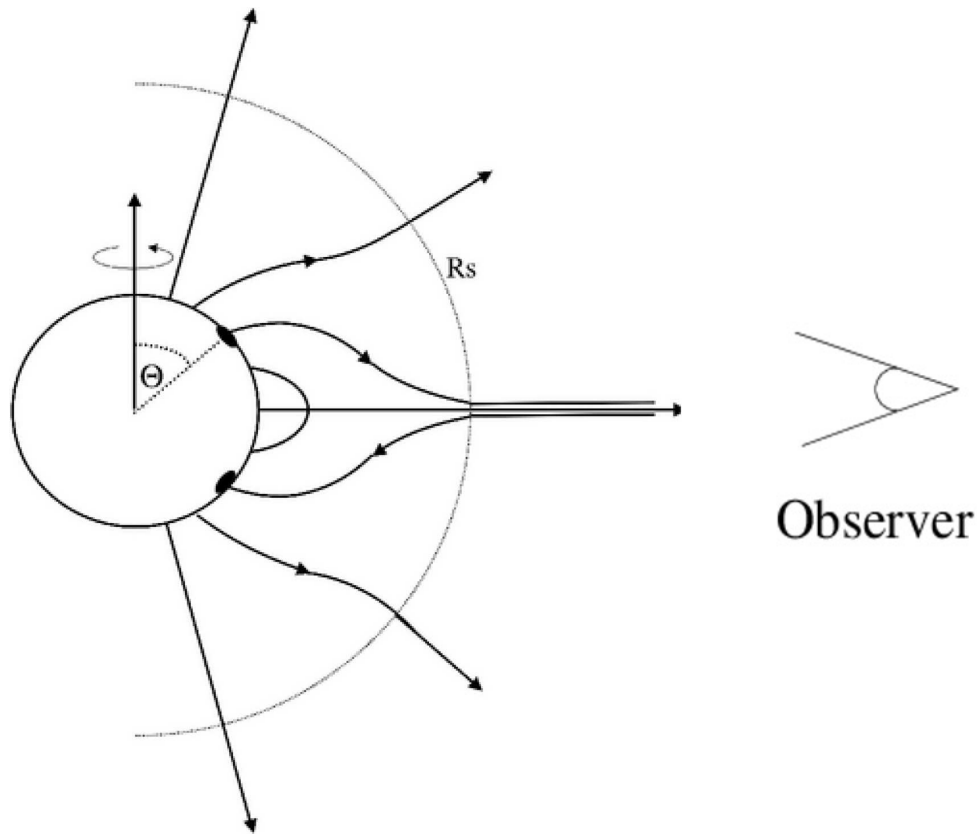
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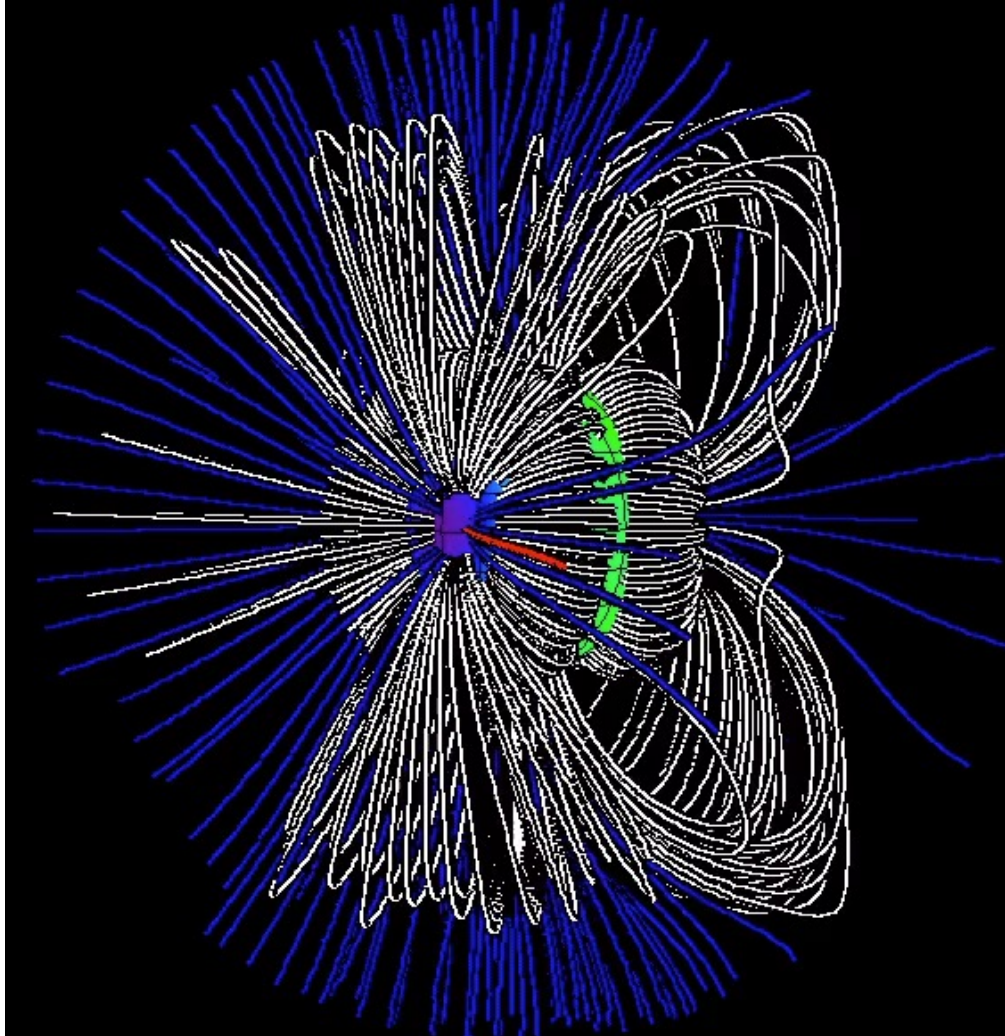
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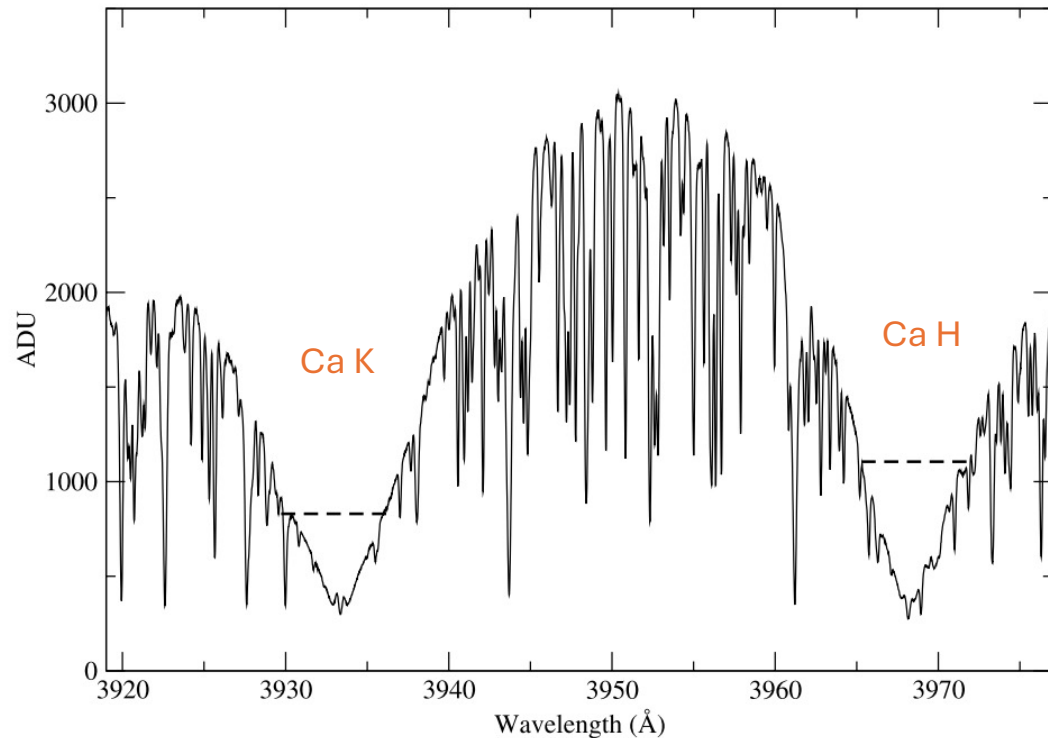
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Observed once for every beat period (the period after which the star and the planet have the same configuration relative to the observer)

Activity modulated by
Beat Period $|P_{\text{orb}}^{-1} - P_{\text{rot}}^{-1}|^{-1}$

Hurray! Magnetic SPI detection on HD179949



Normalise the lines

Calculate the mean profile for all observations

Calculate nightly variations by subtracting the mean from each observation

System:

F8 star

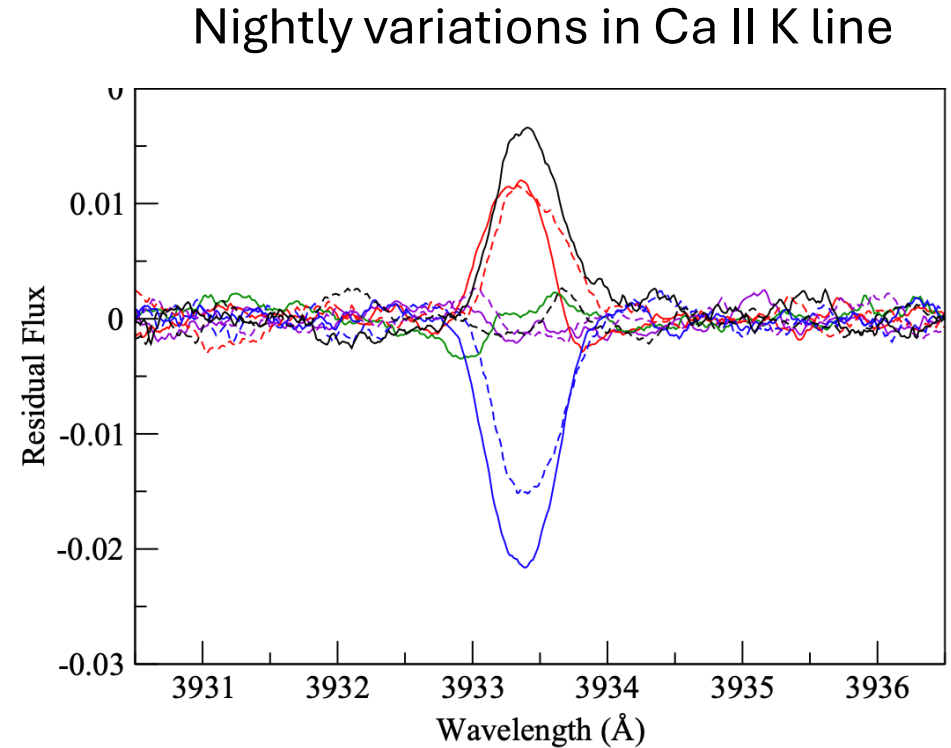
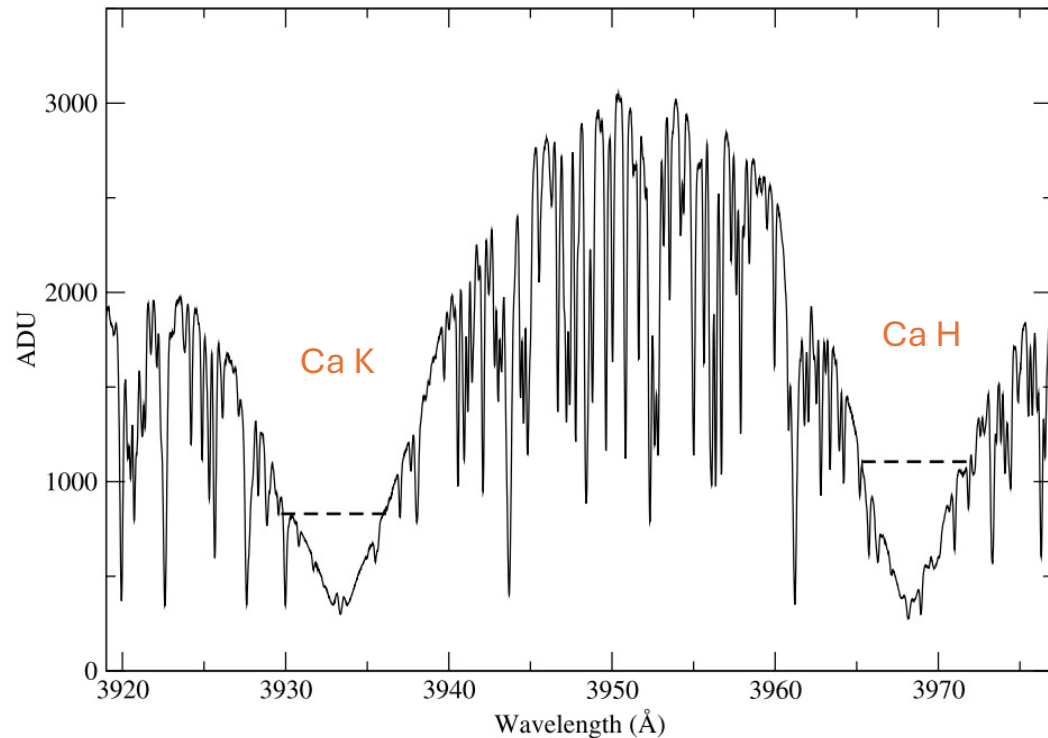
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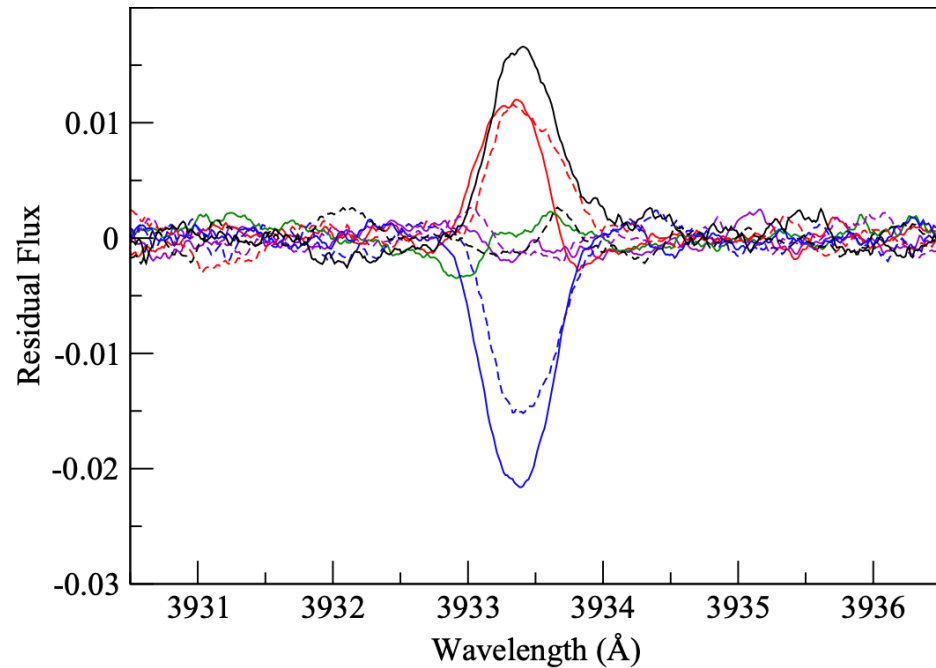
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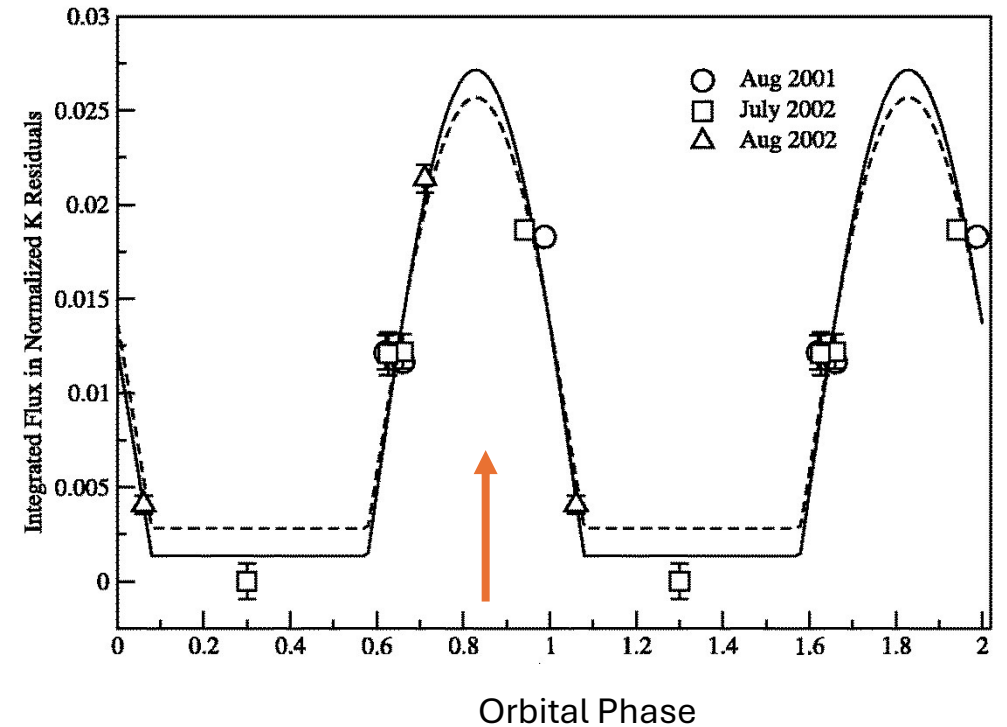
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Nightly variations in Ca II K line



Modulated by Orbital phase



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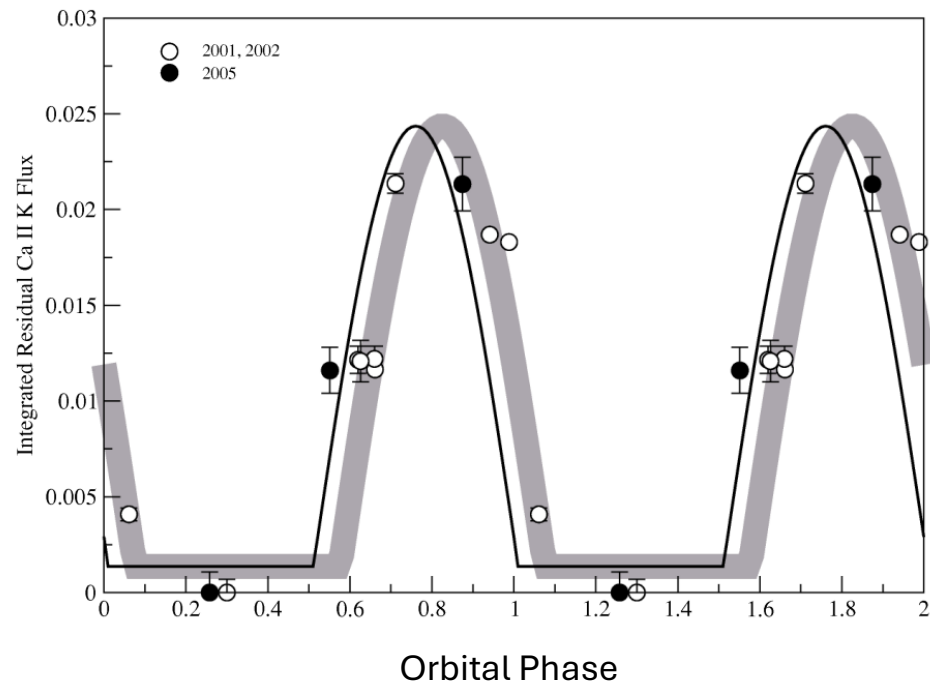
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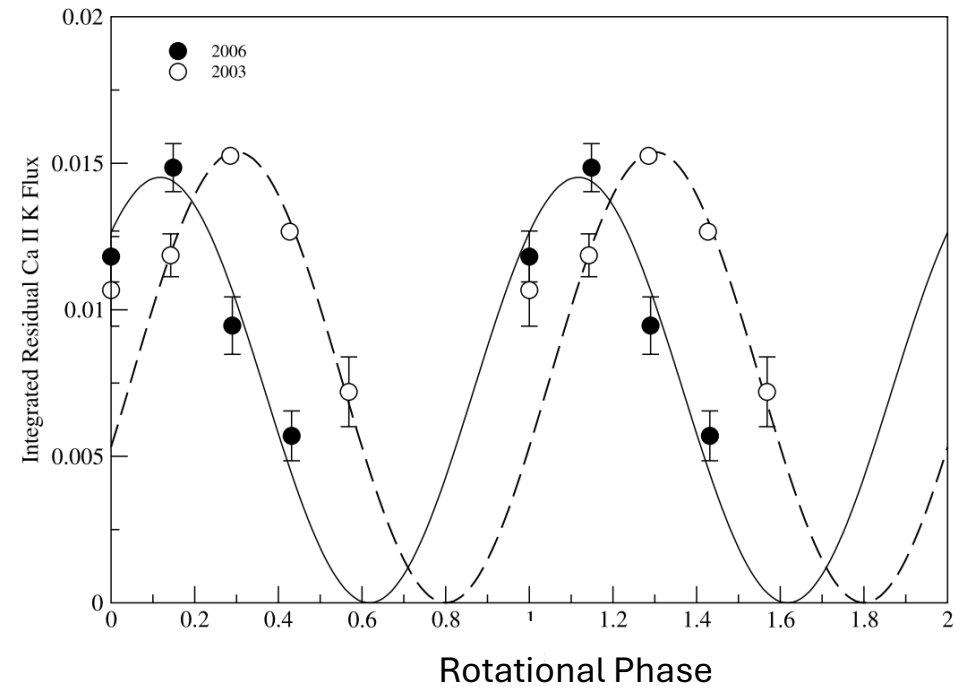
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SPI detection is not recurrent for every obs

HD 179949 observed at different epochs



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Modulated by Rotational phase

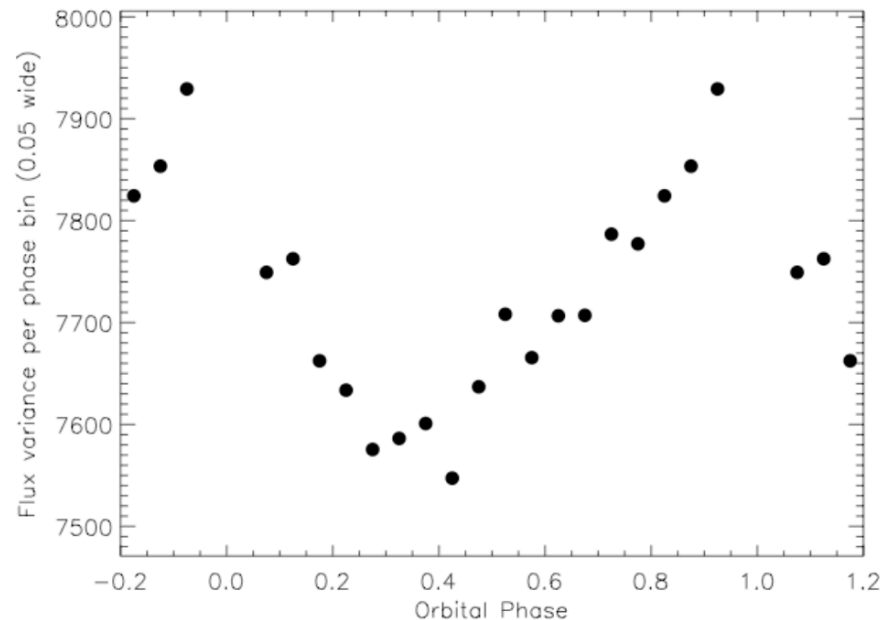
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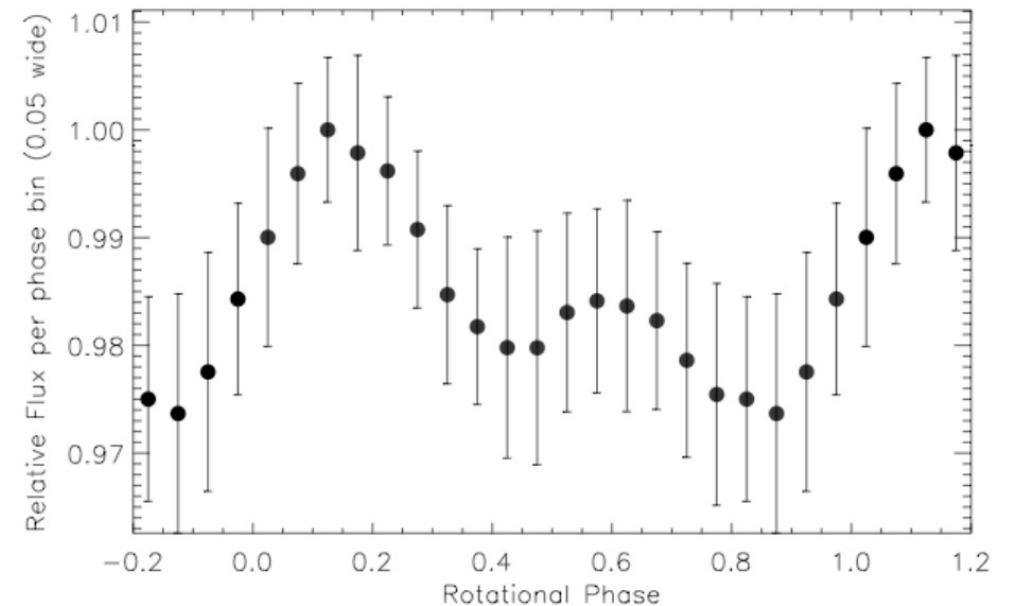
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Photometry

Corot-2 spot modelling (Pagano et al 2009)



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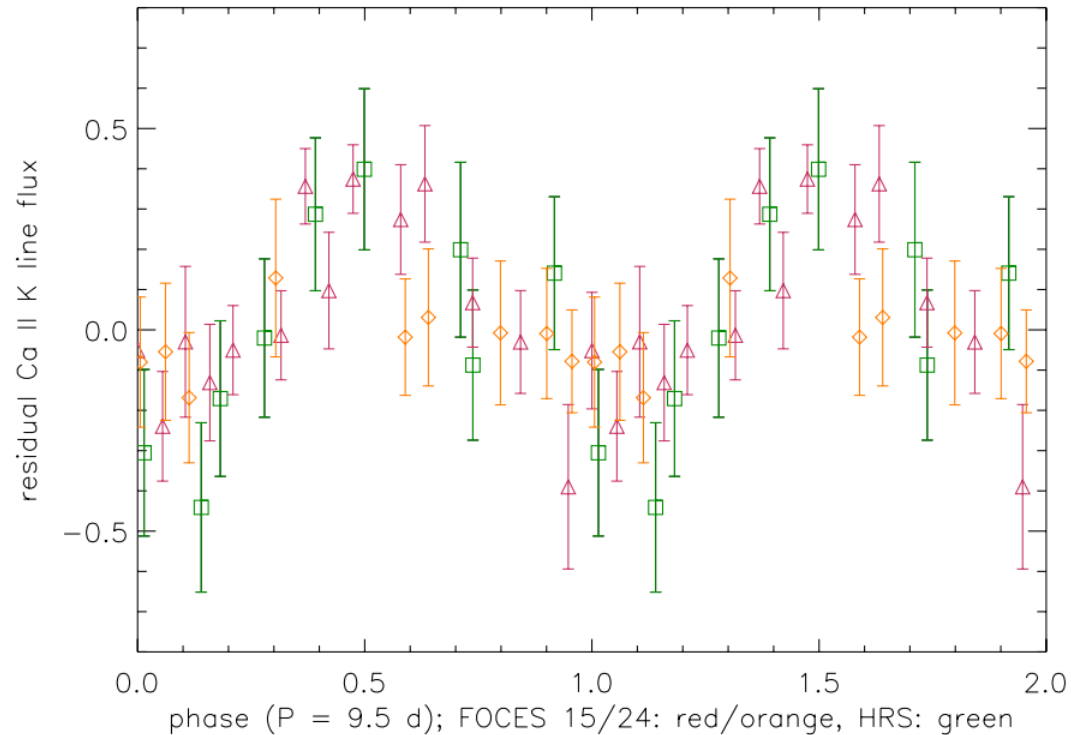
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Hints of SPI?

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X-Ray

u And in Call and X-Ray (Poppenhaeger et al 2011)



Ca II K line modulated by Rotational phase

No activity variations in the X-Ray that could hint to SPI

SPI detection on HD189733

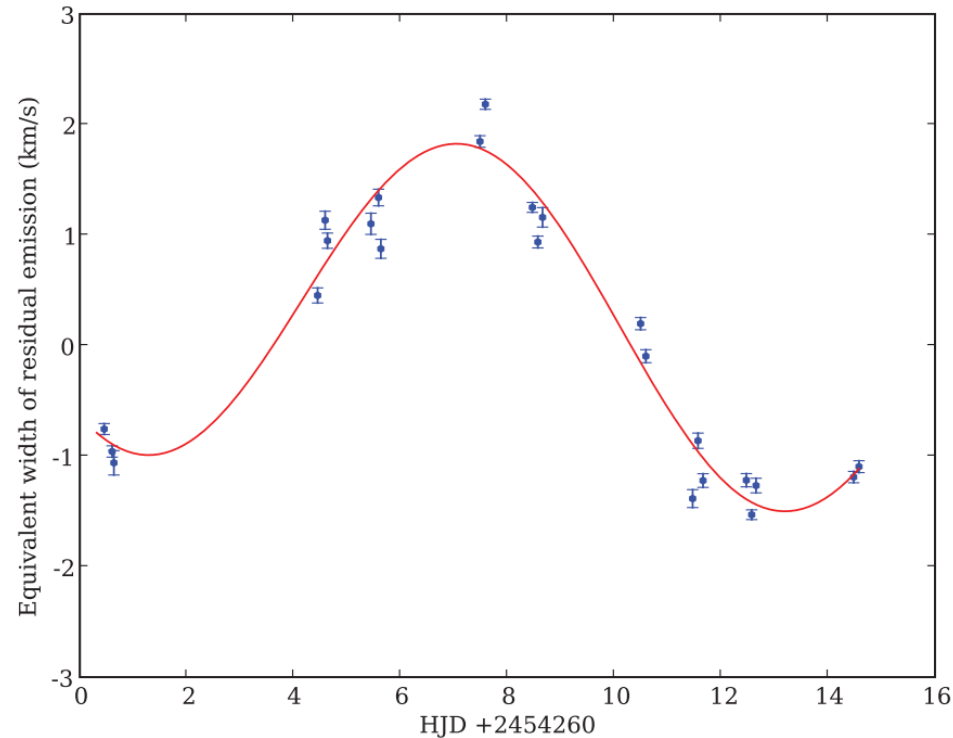
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July 2008

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Subtract the rotational modulation and
look for SPI modulation in the residuals

Fares et al 2009

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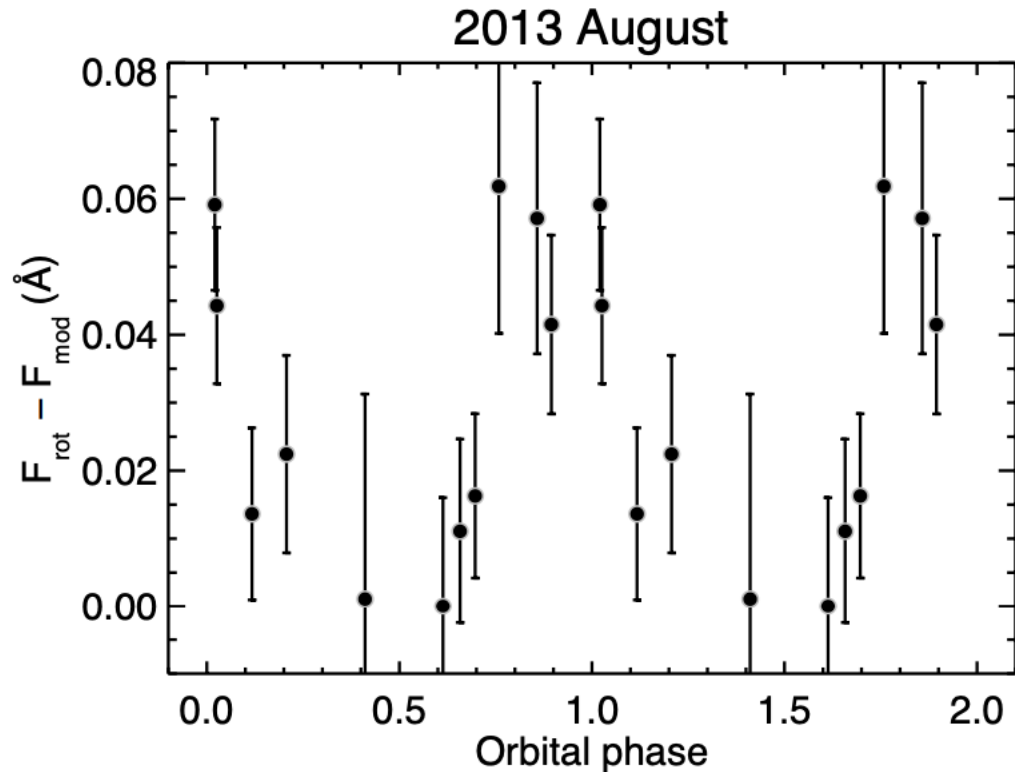
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1 out of 6 epochs showed SPI (August 2013)

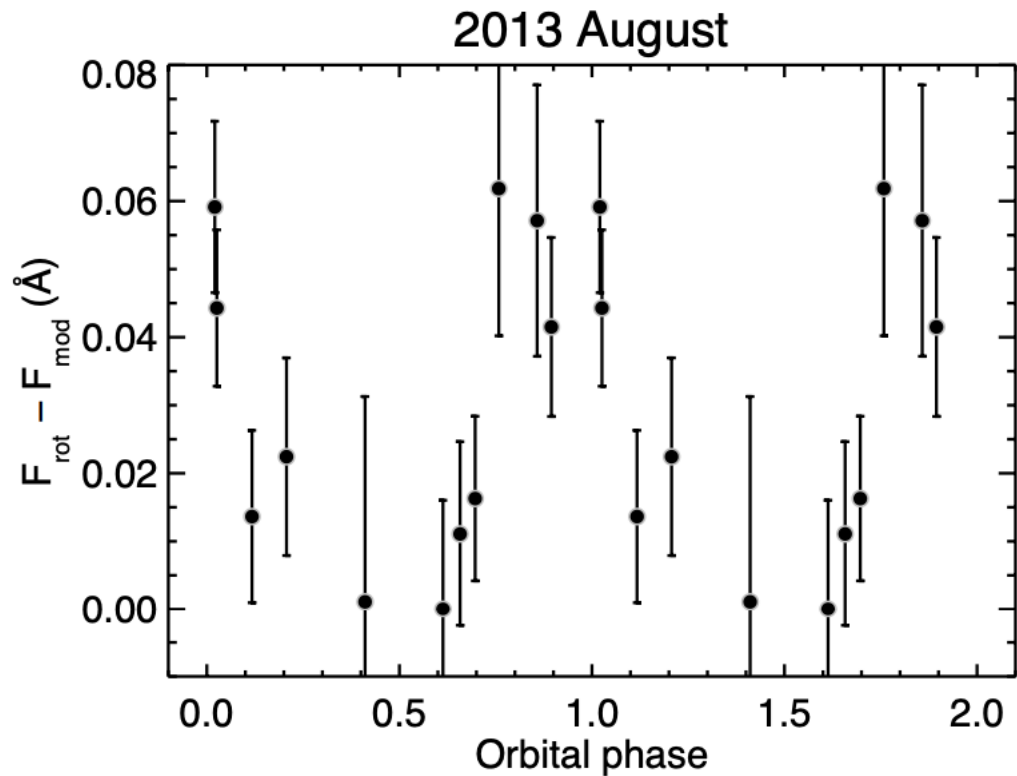
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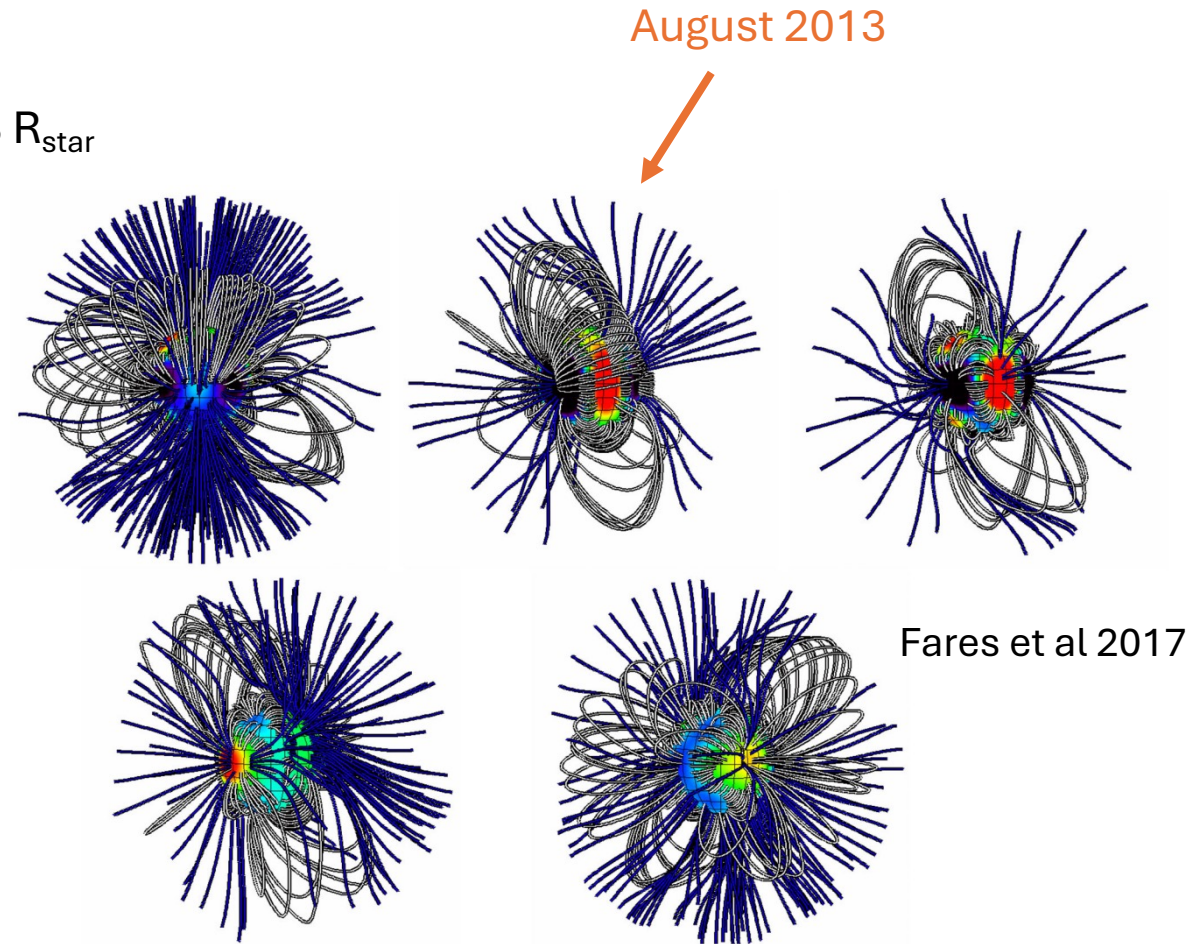
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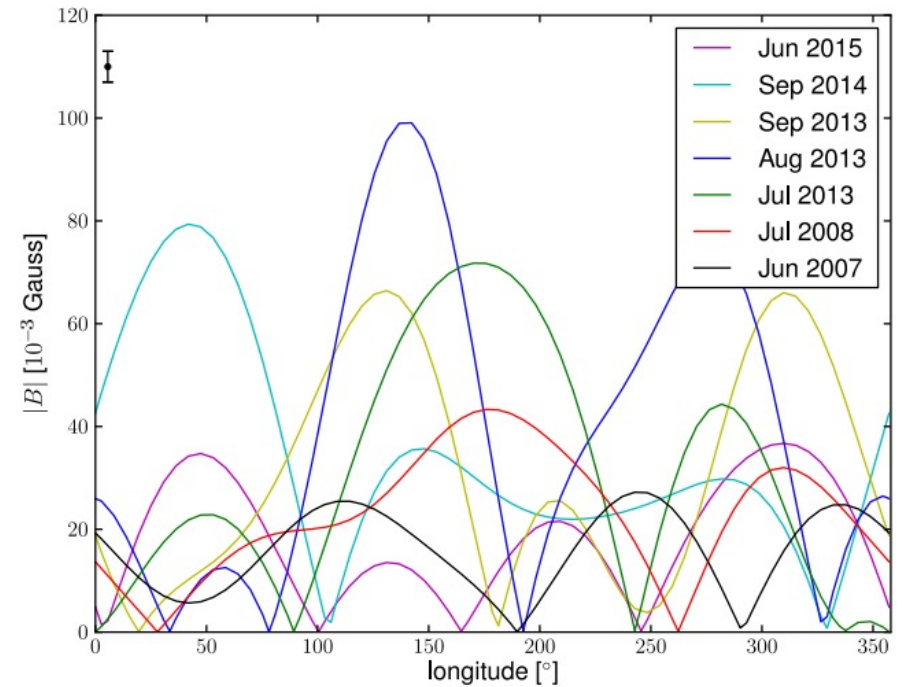
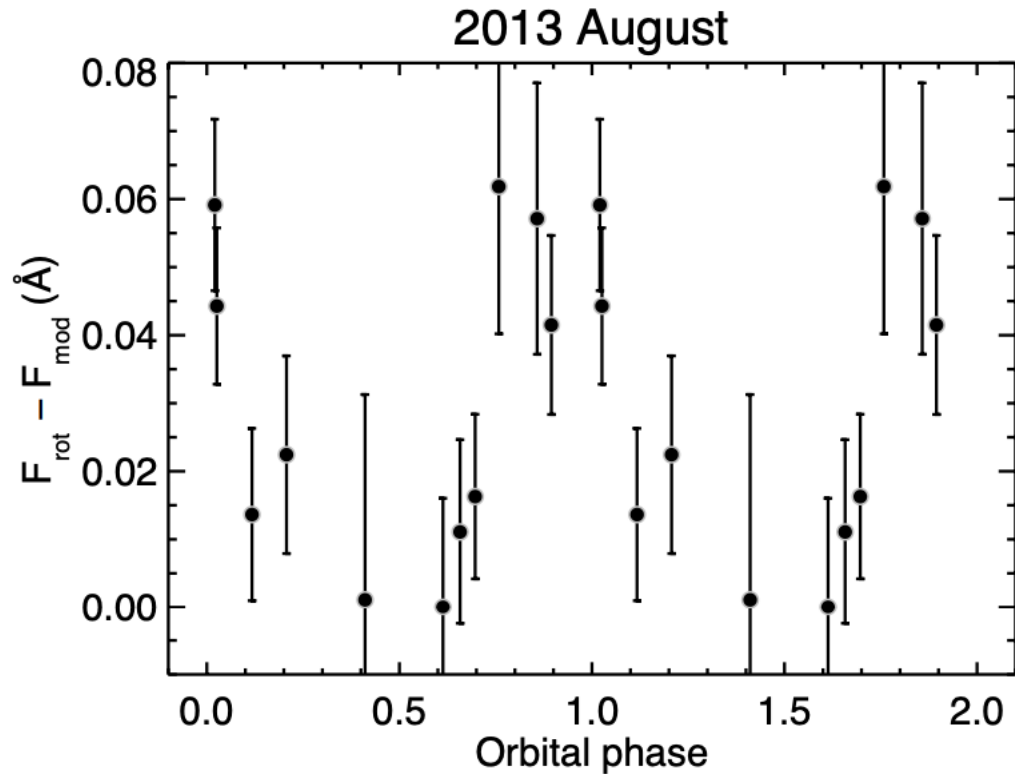
ZDI maps of the stellar field show:
It varies in strength and characteristics

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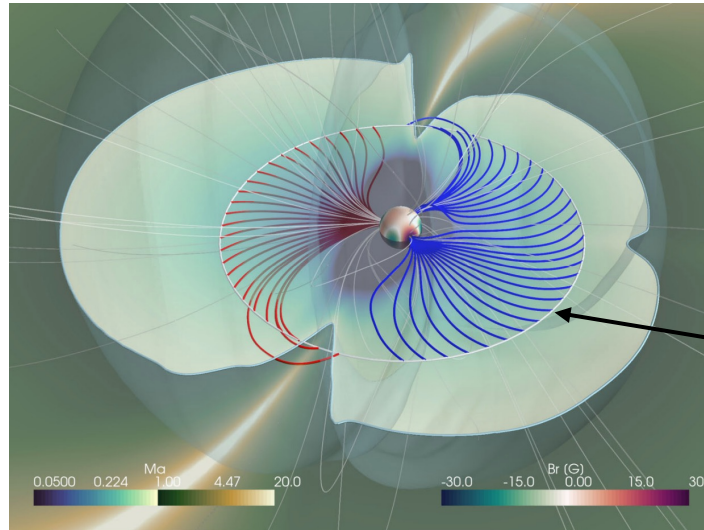
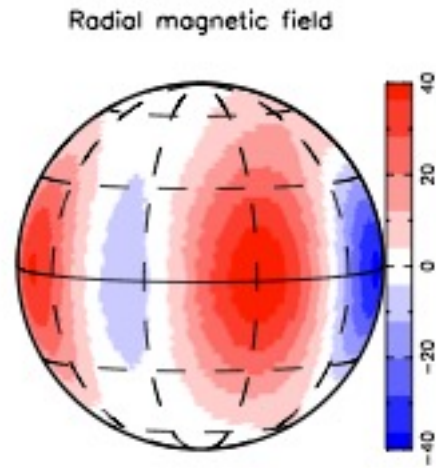
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Orbital phase modulation Aug 2013 corresponds to the Largest stellar magnetic field

Modelling SPI detection

ZDI Magnetic Maps



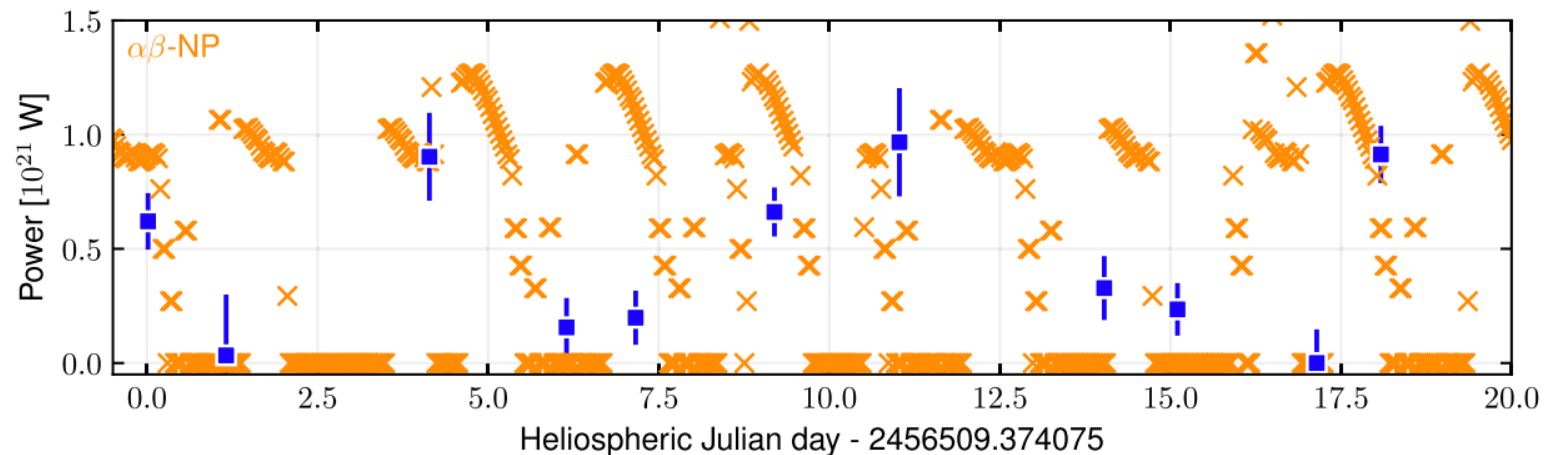
Stellar wind model

Planet Orbit

Strugarek et al 2019

With the scarcity of data, SPI detection rate is estimated to 12-23%

Cauley et al 2018 found SPI in 1 out of 6 epochs (i.e. 17%)



Need: Dense observation campaigns, with several observations per night

SPI detection

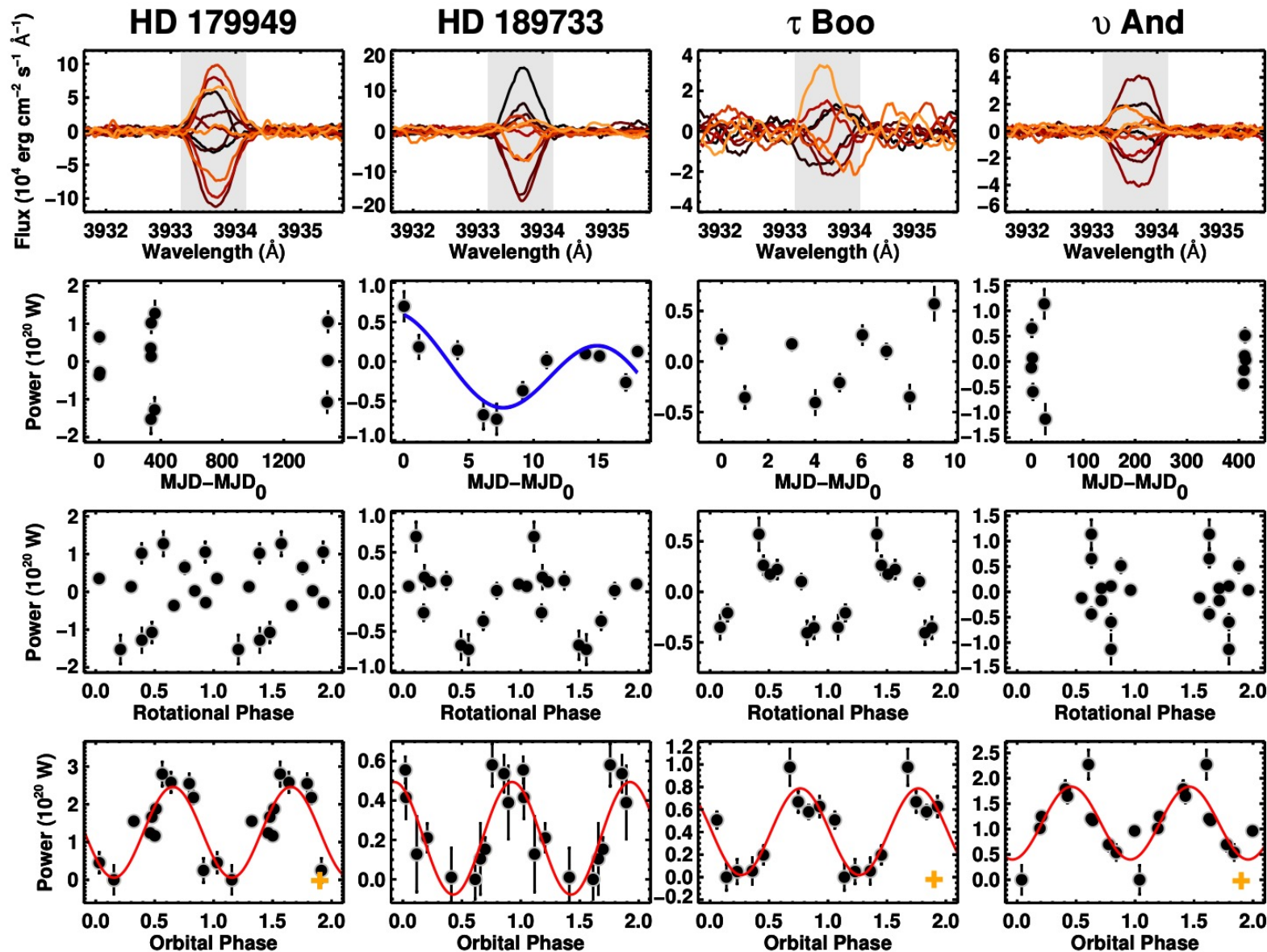
CaII K Flux

Power as a function of

Date

Rotational Phase

Orbital Phase

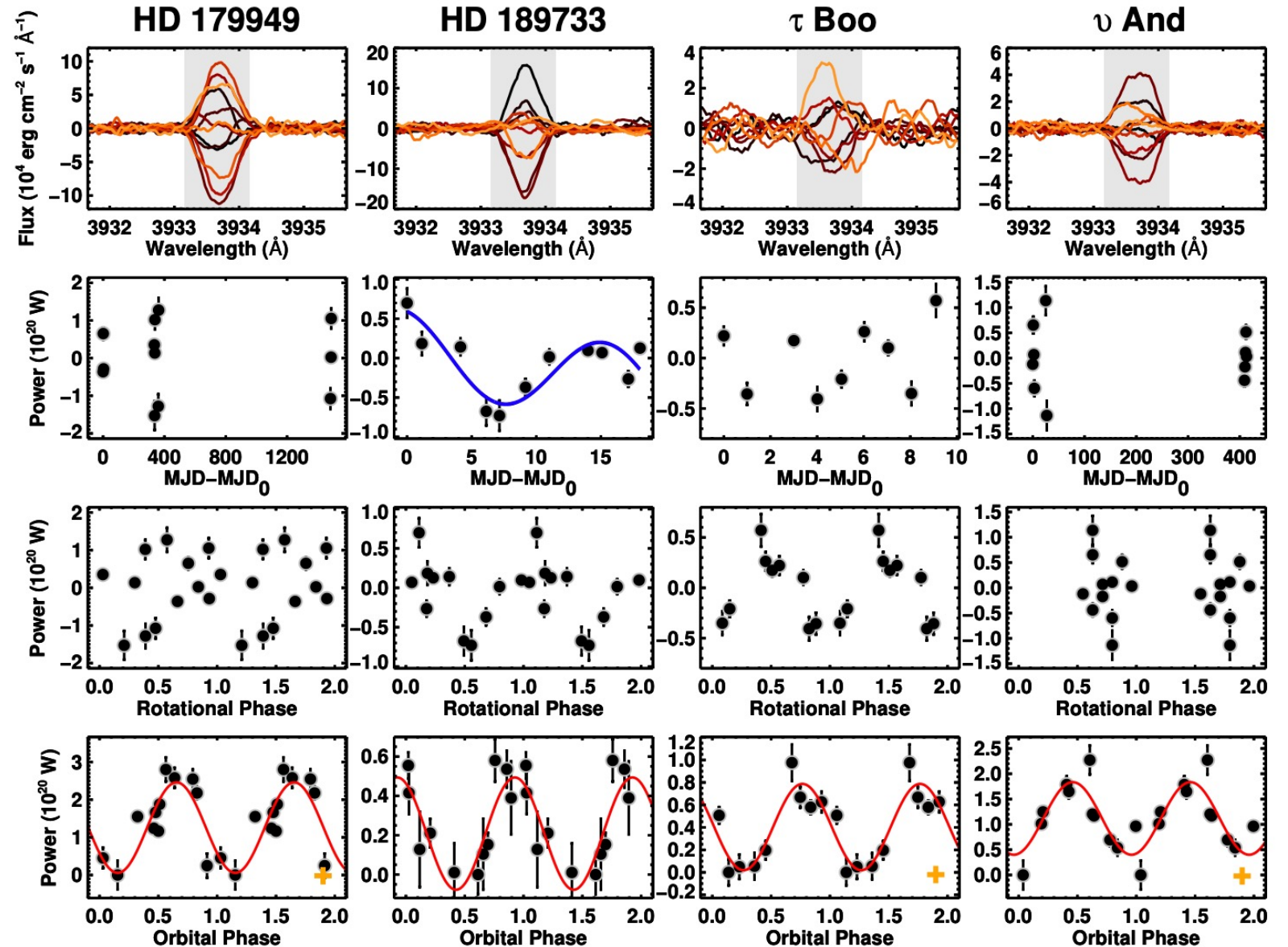


SPI detection

Assuming some models of interactions



B(Planet) varies between 20 to 120 G



To conclude

- SPI has an ON/OFF nature
- SPI activity enhancement is still controversial
- Well sampled observational campaigns are needed
- If well designed, a campaign could:
 - Favour one model of interactions (see Ekaterina's talk)
 - Measure the planetary magnetic field
 - Interpret planetary emissions
 - Predict best observing times for SPI