



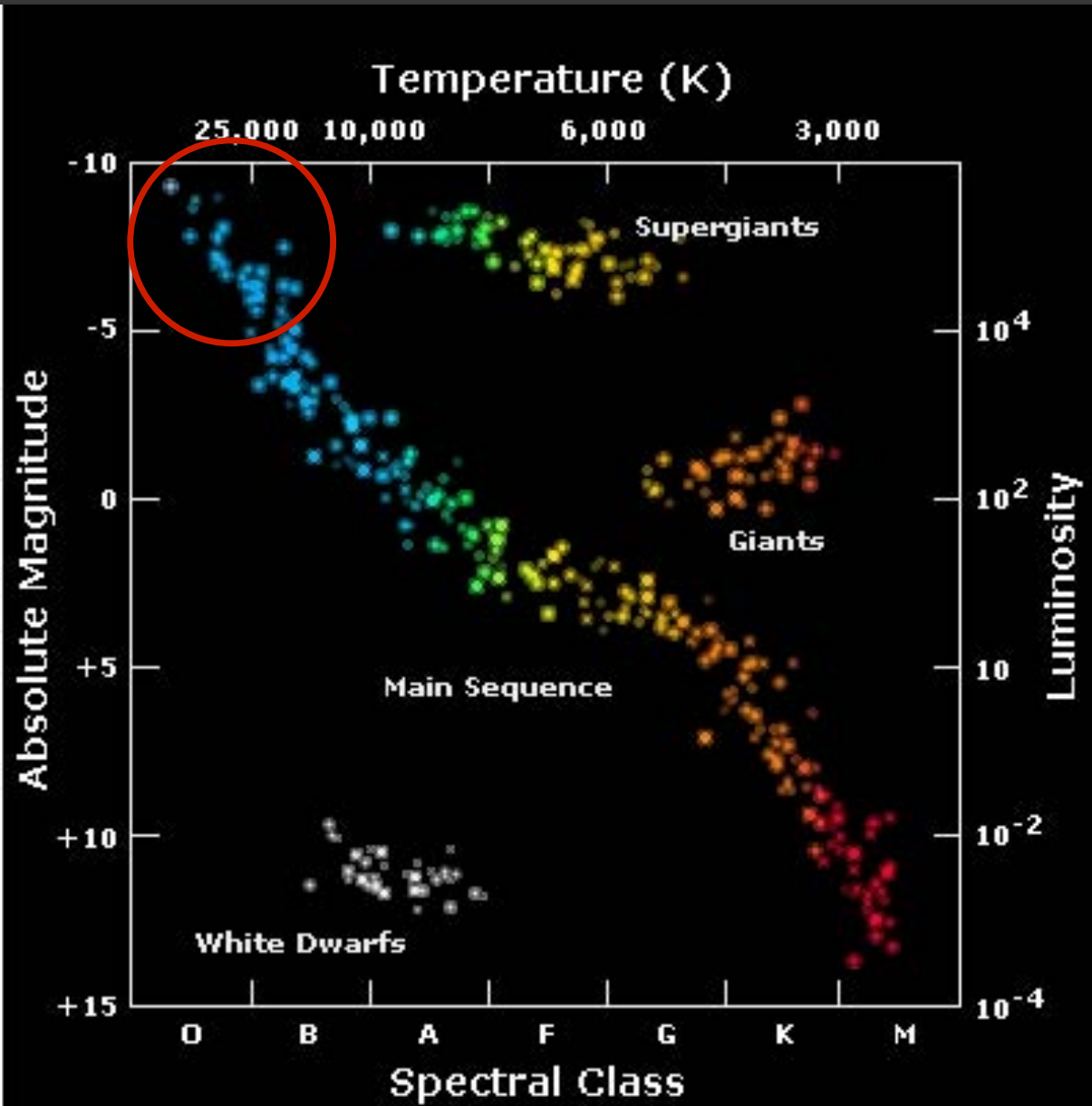
# Fundamental Properties of O- and B-type Stars

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# WHY DO WE CARE?



# OUR SAMPLE

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- **Started with: 10 O stars, 189 B stars**  
**~0 to 5 mag**  
**In or near galactic plane**
- **Narrowed down to: 10 O stars, 67 B stars**  
**Use all O stars**  
**B stars with Hipparcos parallax errors < 10%**  
**Cluster member**  
**No Be stars**

**Closest O star: zeta Oph (HD 149757) -  $140 \pm 14$  pc**

**Farthest O star: alpha Cam (HD 30614) -  $1900 \pm 700$  pc**

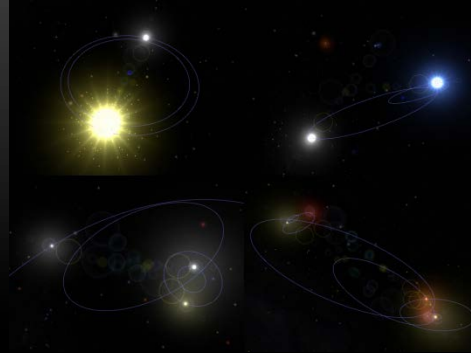
**Closest B star: alpha And (HD 358) -  $29.8 \pm 0.6$  pc**

**Farthest B star: gamma Lyr (HD 176437) -  $195 \pm 19$  pc**

**8 B stars within 50 pc  
37 B stars within 100 pc  
30 B stars > 100 pc**

**Expected sizes: 0.2 – 1.4 mas**

**V: 48%   IV: 17%   III: 27%   II: 5%   I: 3%**

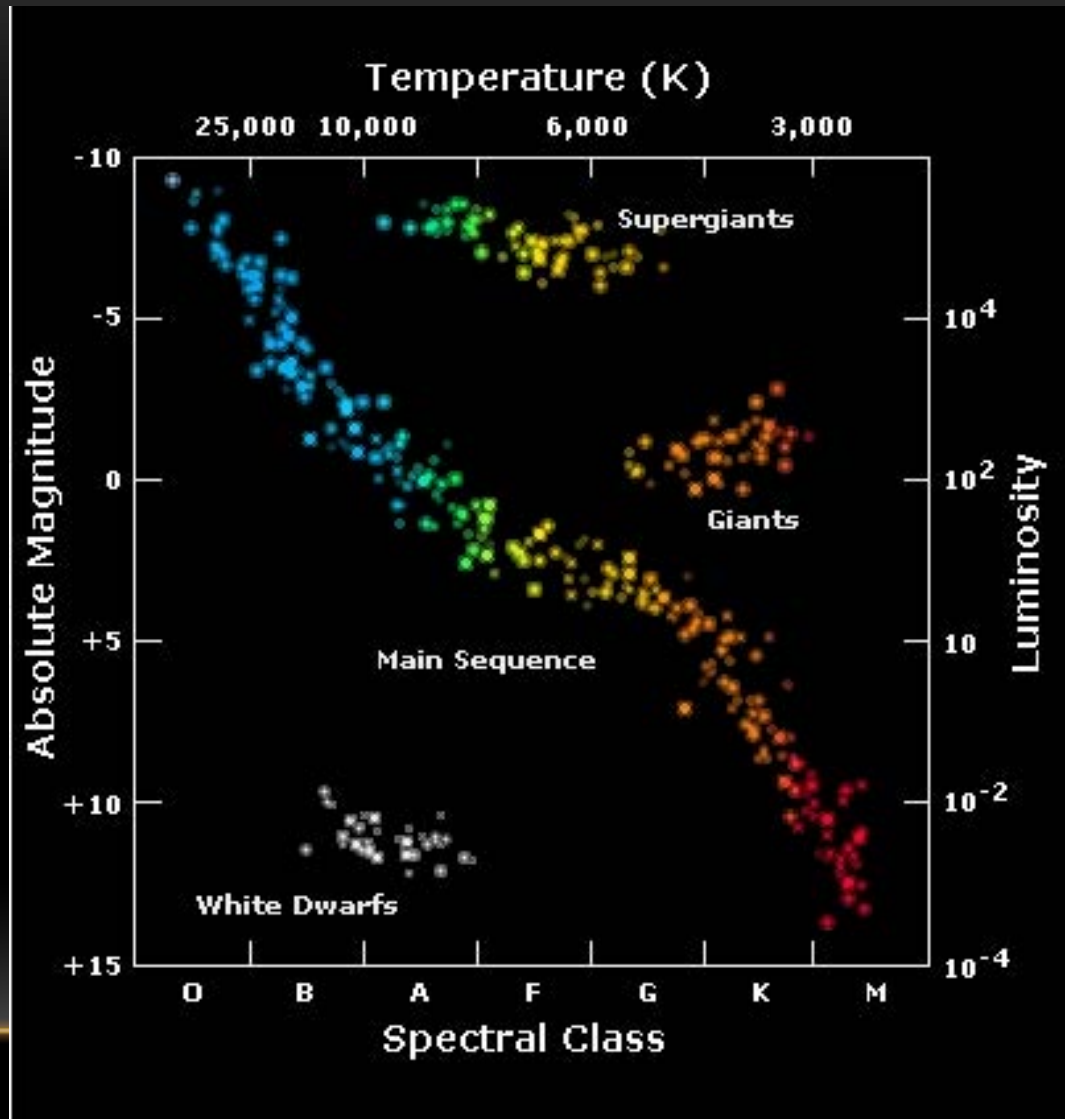


- **Many massive stars are in binary or multiple star systems! (opportunity?)**
- **Not many stars nearby → smaller angular sizes**
- **Working close to resolution limits of CHARA**
- **Good calibrators harder to find**

# OUR GOALS

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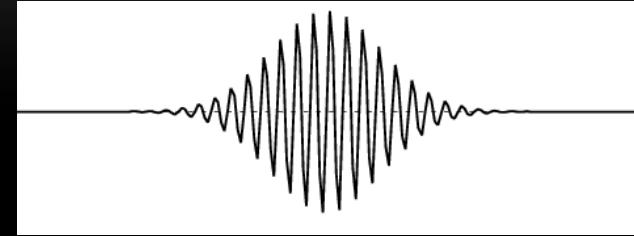
- **Radius, temperature, mass, age**
- **Model dependent!**
  - **Color and spectra**
  - **Large errors in luminosity**



## Observationally determined properties

- Angular size + distance → Radius

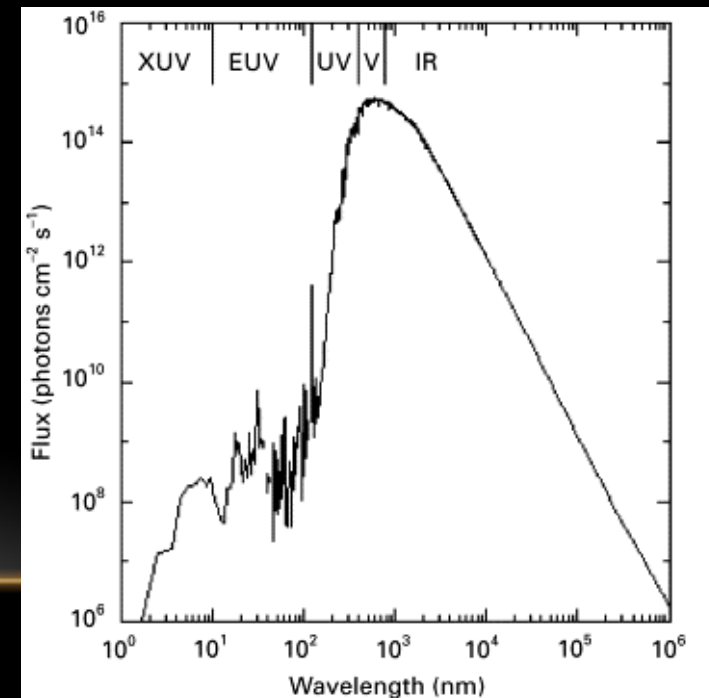
» Interferometry



- Integrated flux + angular size → Effective Temperature

» Spectrophotometry

$$F_{obs} = \frac{1}{4} \alpha^2 F_{em} \quad F_{em} = \sigma T_{eff}^4$$



# Hot stars with PAVO

## Optical Interferometry of early-type stars with PAVO@CHARA I. Fundamental stellar properties

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**4 stars in our sample overlap**



# DATA AND RESULTS SO FAR

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**Nights scheduled: 66**  
**(from 2012-2015)**

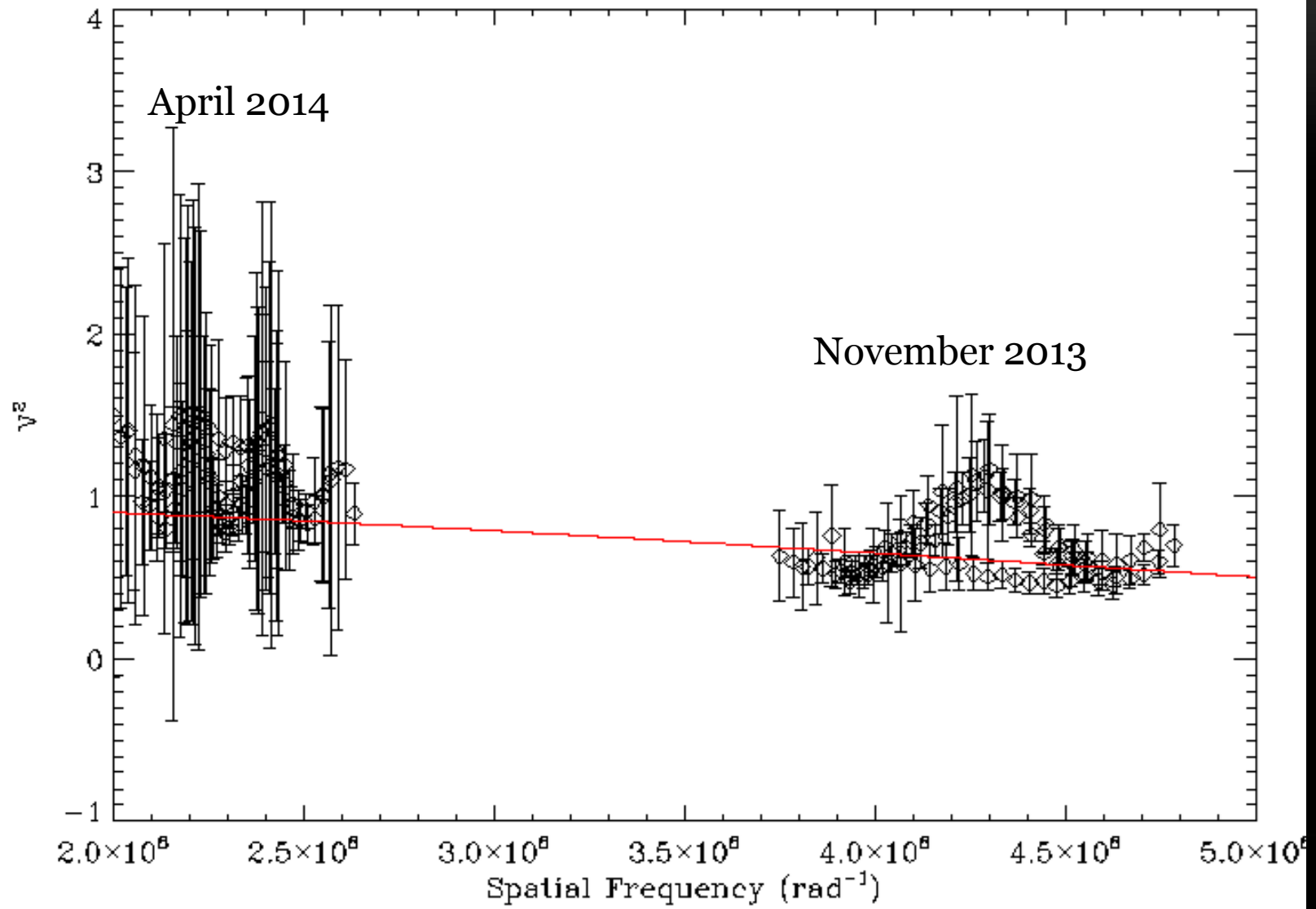
**Nights with data: 22**



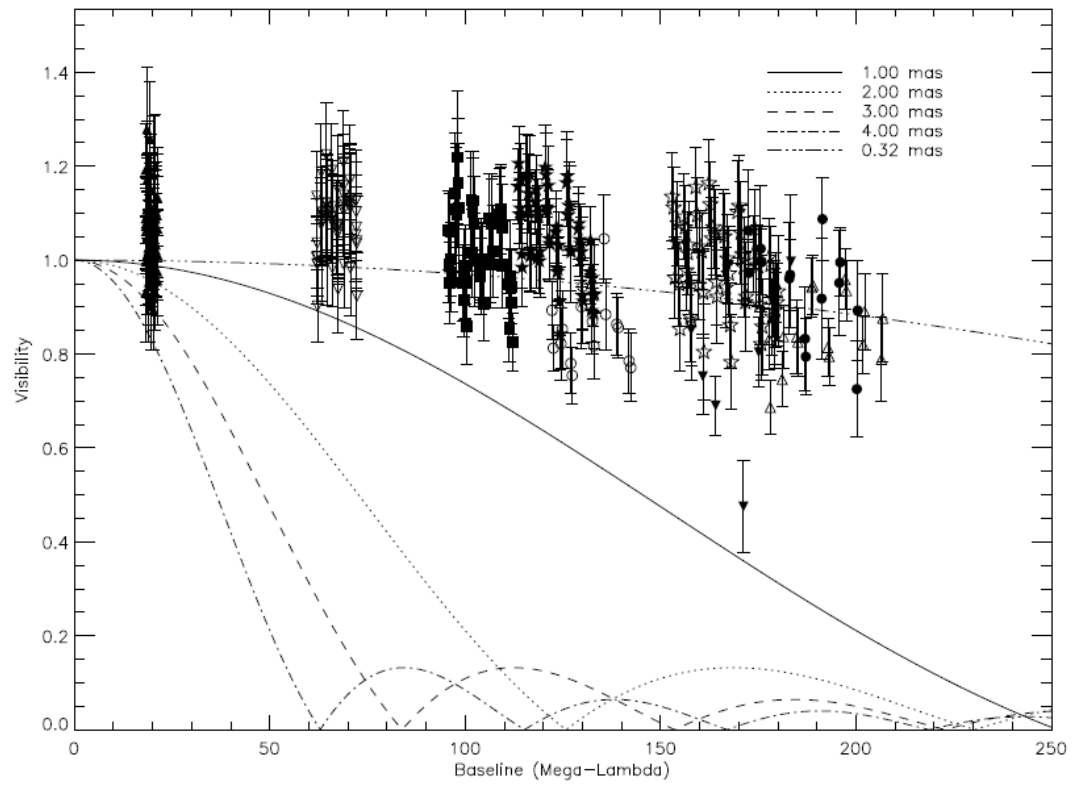
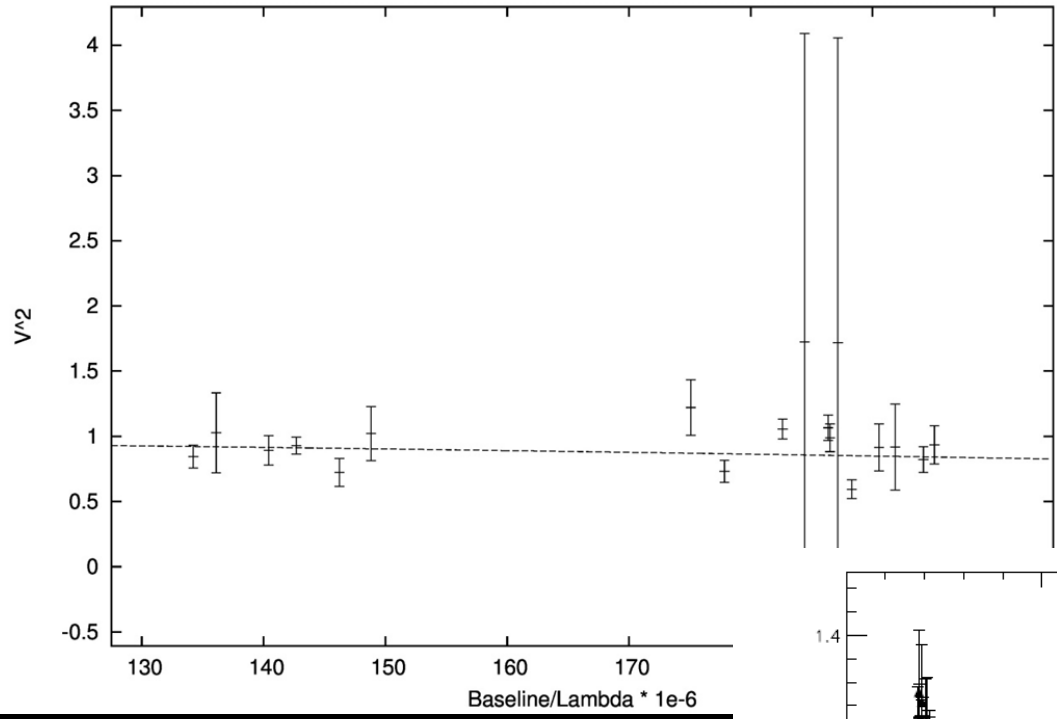
**Data on 33 stars**

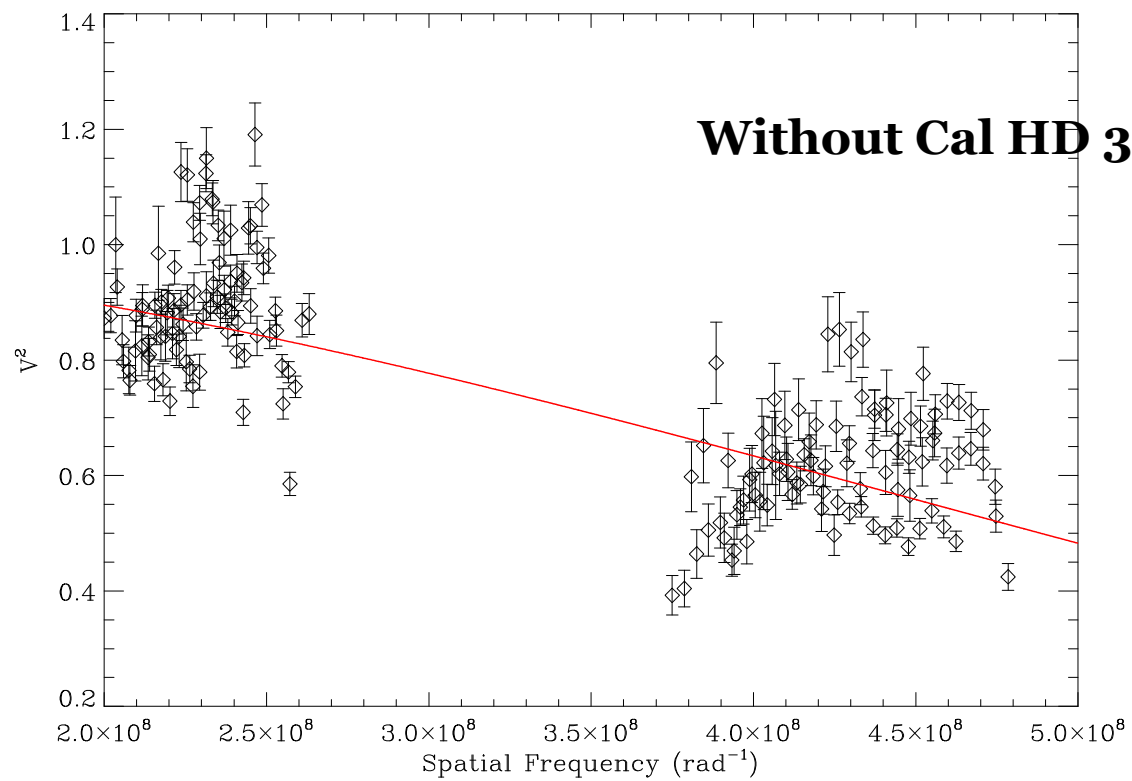
**Diameters for 27 stars (2 0 stars – alpha Cam  
and HD 214680)**

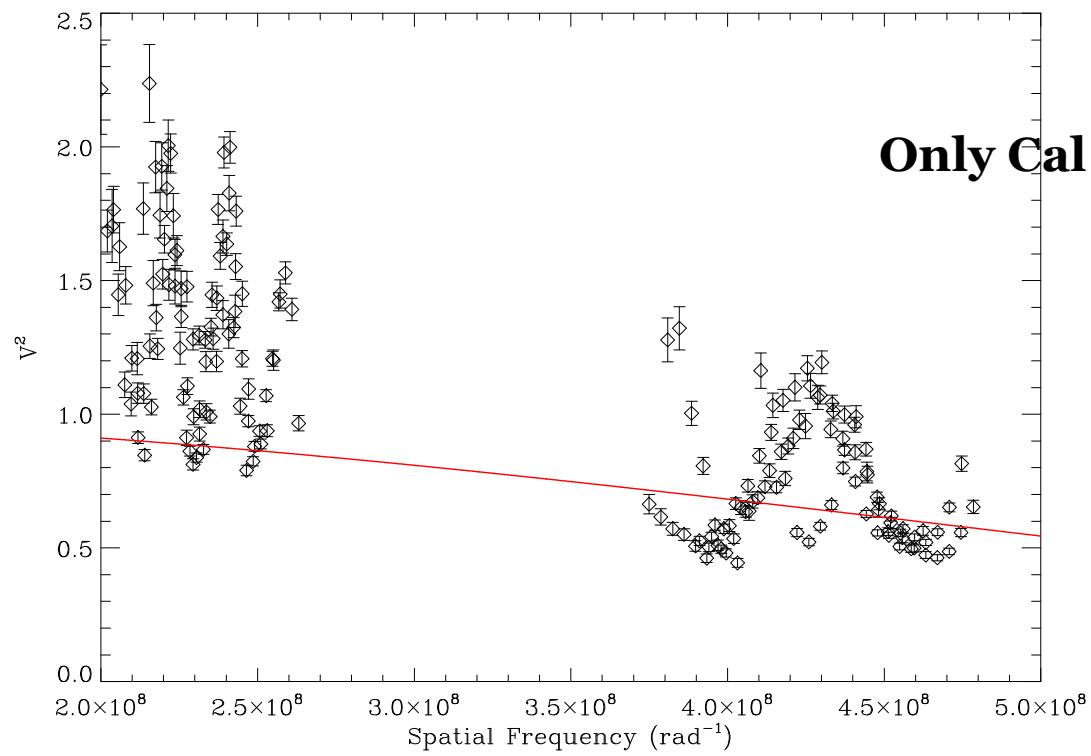
# $\lambda$ Ori



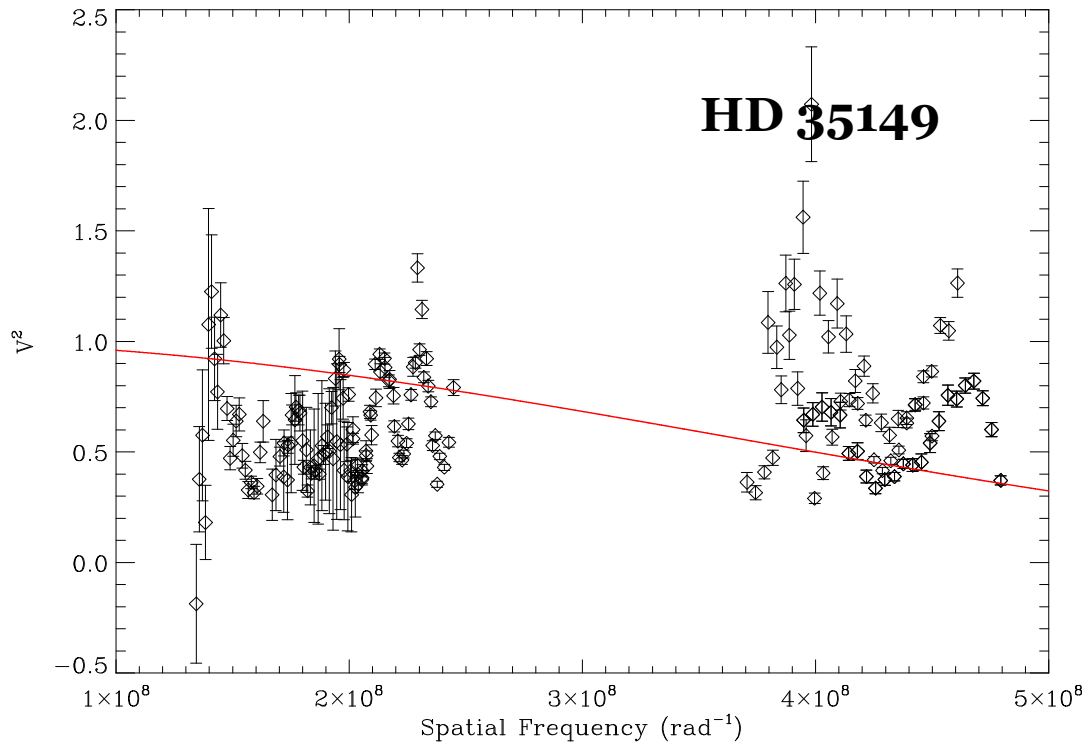
HD\_36861 0.280±0.034 mas





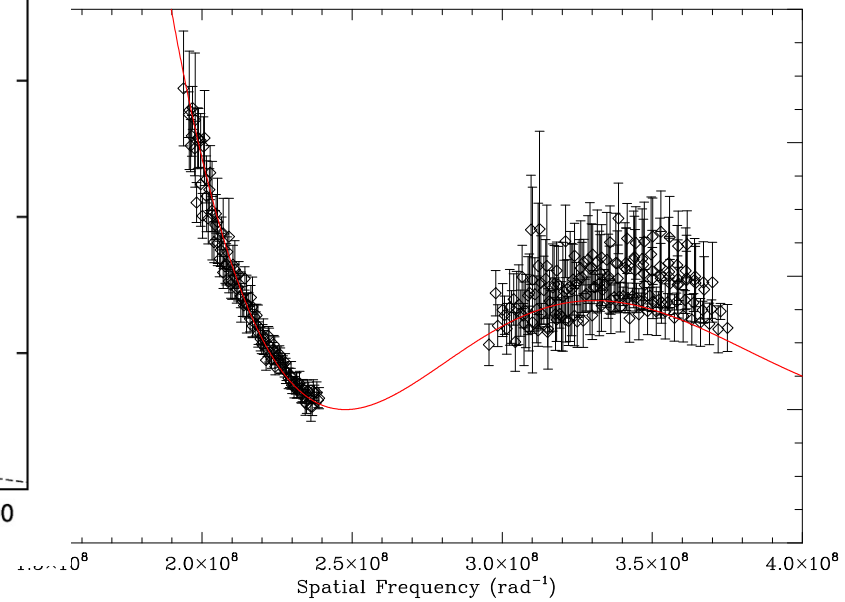
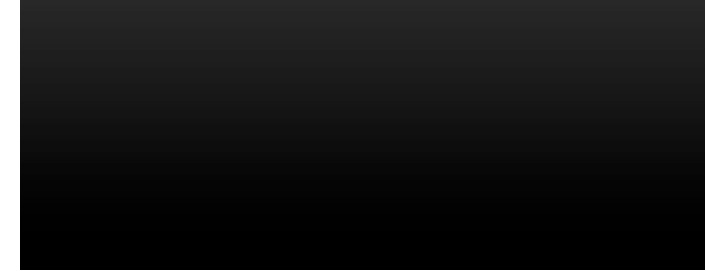
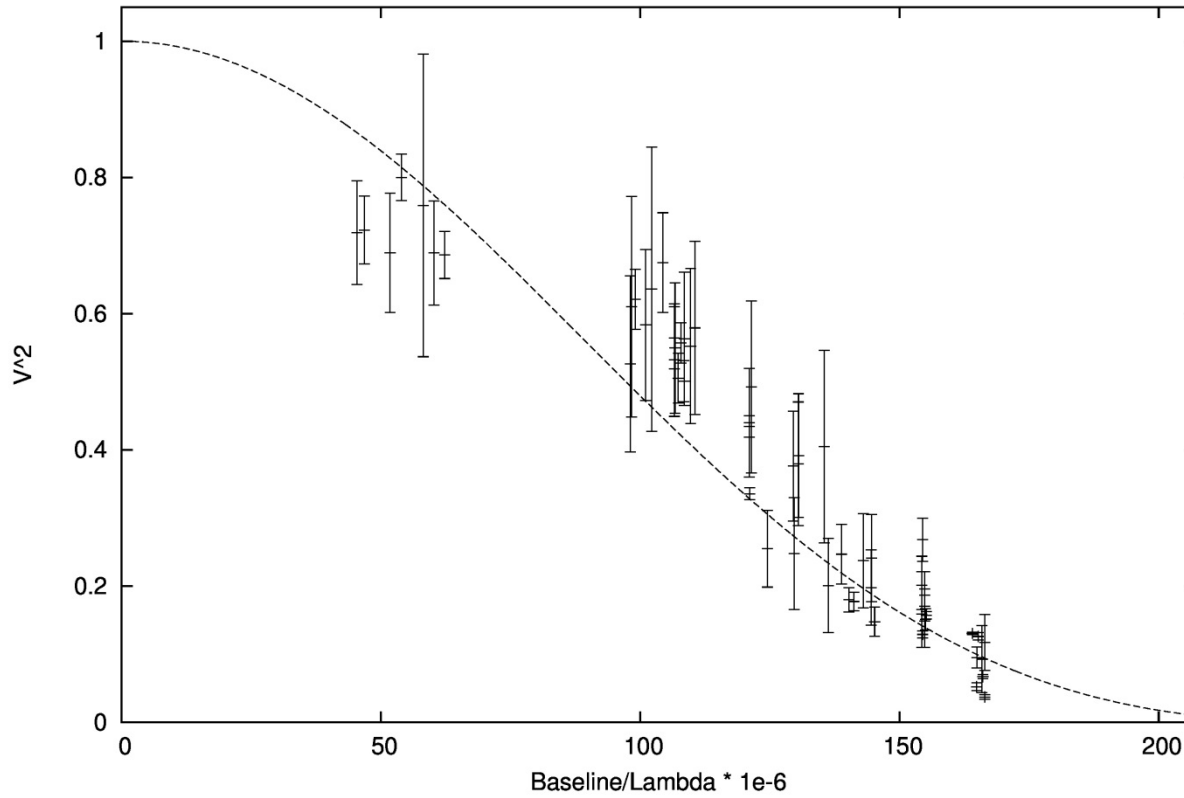


**Only Cal HD 35149**



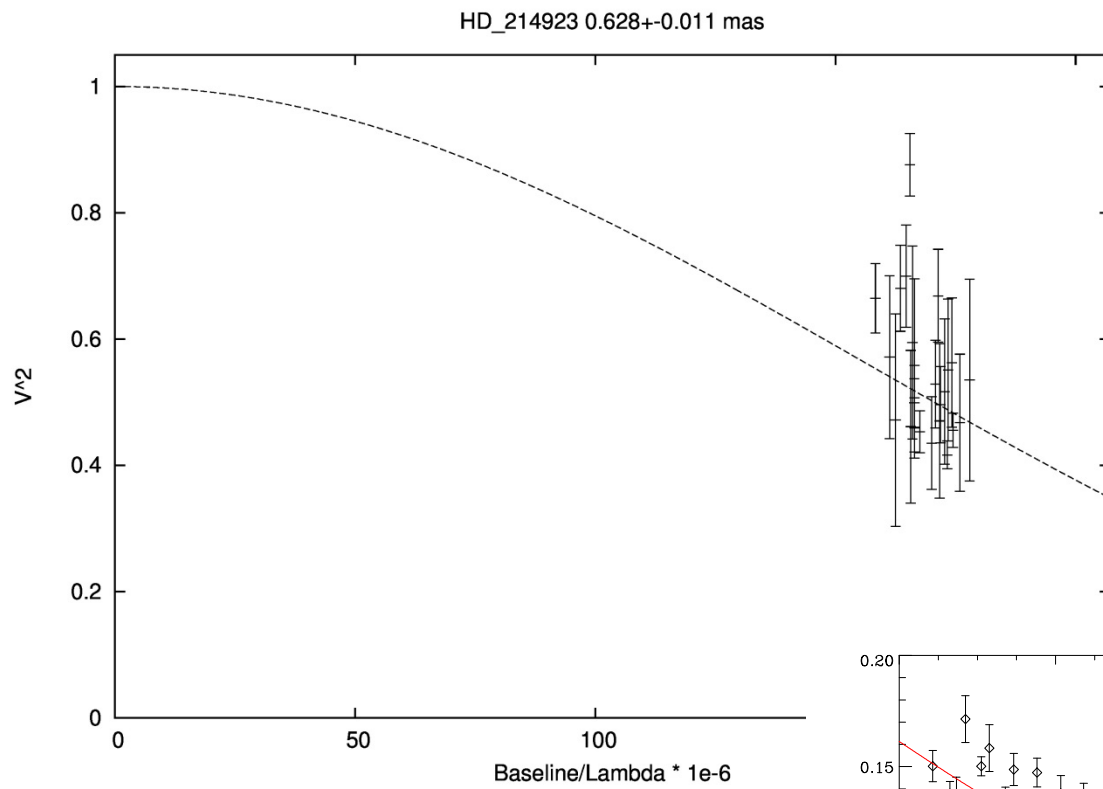
# COMPARING CLIMB AND PAVO

HD\_218045 1.103 $\pm$ 0.003 mas

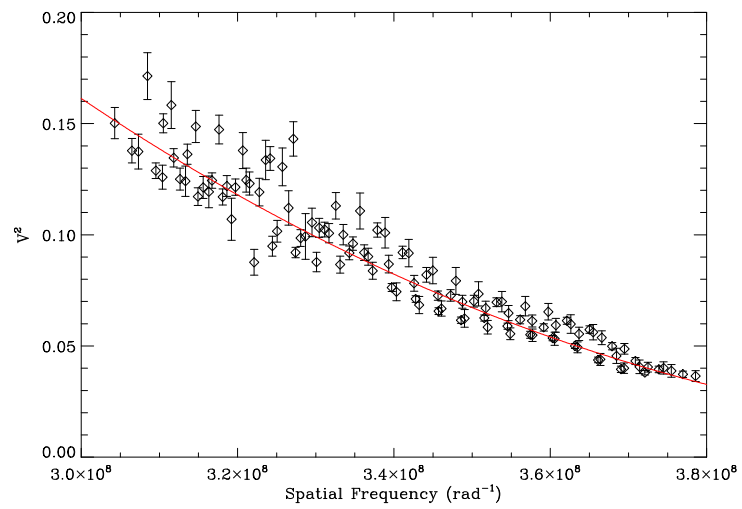


7%

**1.028  $\pm$  0.003**



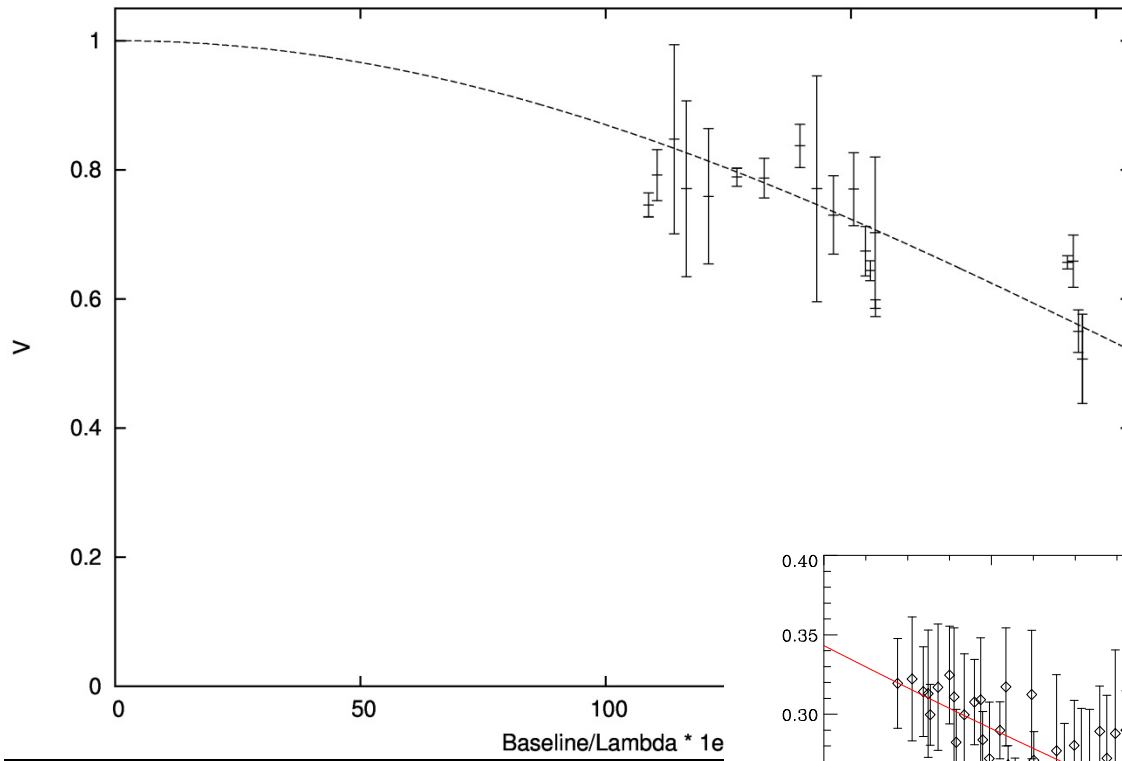
**12%**



**$0.560 \pm 0.008$**

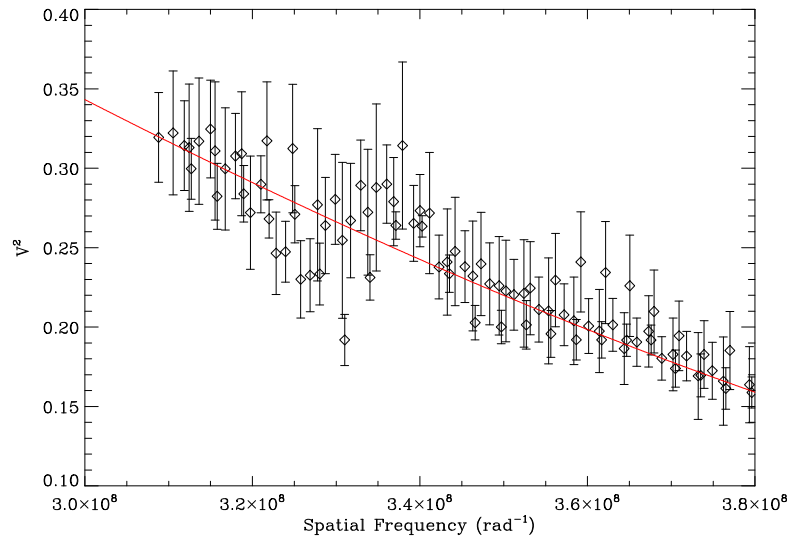


HD\_196867 0.692±0.009 mas



**Companion adding extra light to visibility curve**

**54%**



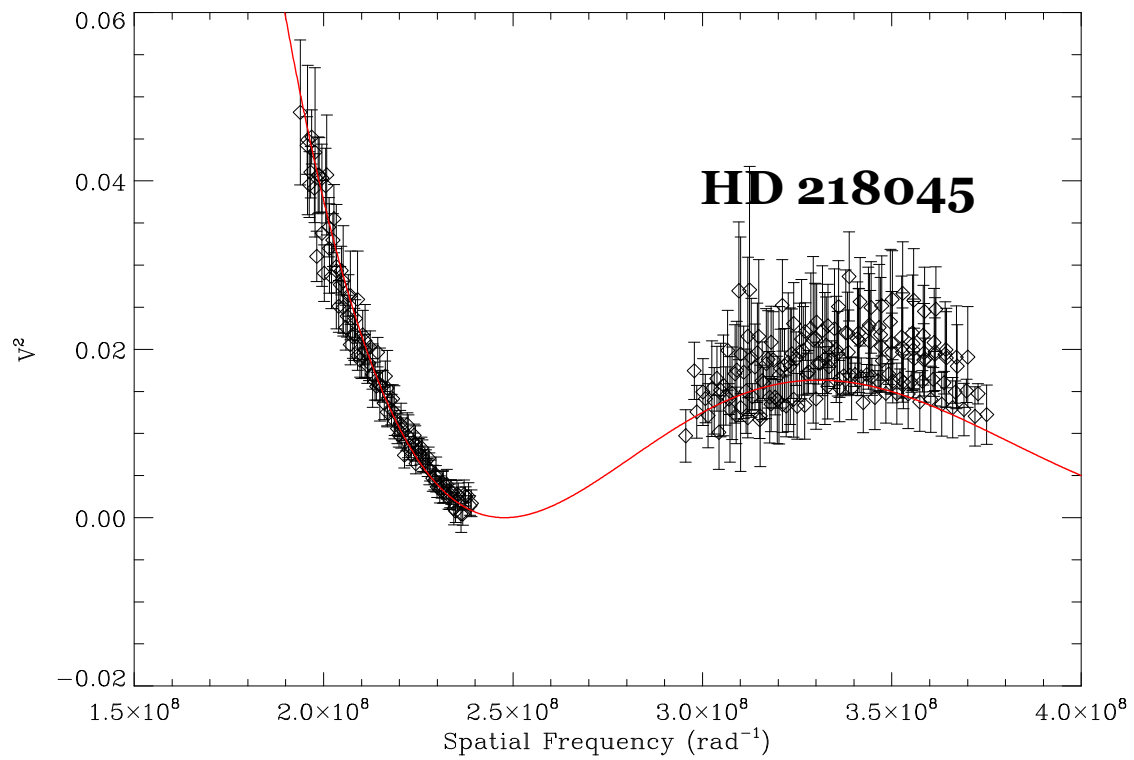
**$0.445 \pm 0.010$**

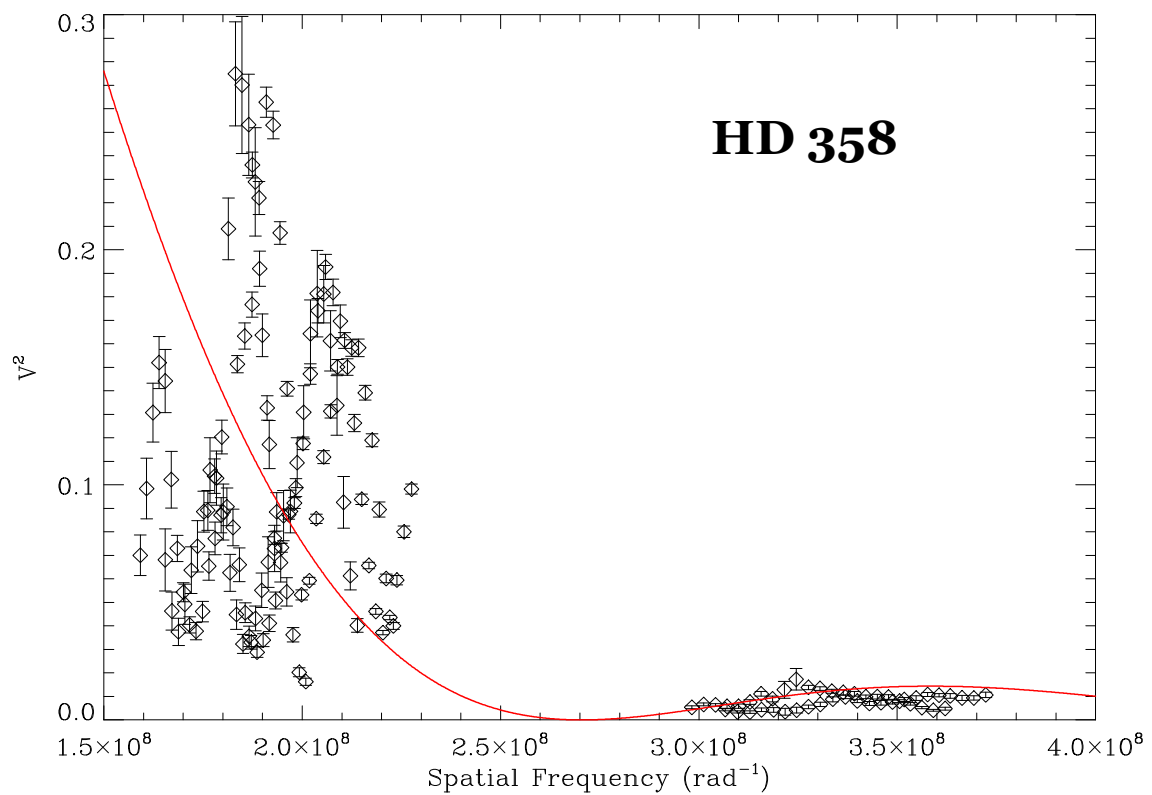
**Table 4.** Measured angular diameters and fundamental properties.

Star	Combiner	$\mu$	$\theta_{\text{UD}}$ (mas)	$\theta_{\text{LD}}$ (mas)	$R$ ( $R_{\odot}$ )	$M$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$T_{\text{eff}}$ (K)
$\theta$ Cyg	PAVO	$0.47 \pm 0.04$	$0.720 \pm 0.004$	$0.754 \pm 0.009$	$1.49 \pm 0.02$	$1.37 \pm 0.04$	$6745 \pm 44$
	MIRC	$0.21 \pm 0.03$	$0.726 \pm 0.014$	$0.739 \pm 0.015$	$1.46 \pm 0.03$	$1.31 \pm 0.06$	$6813 \pm 72$
	PAVO+MIRC	–	–	$0.753 \pm 0.009$	$1.48 \pm 0.02$	$1.37 \pm 0.04$	$6749 \pm 44$
16 Cyg A	PAVO	$0.54 \pm 0.04$	$0.513 \pm 0.004$	$0.539 \pm 0.006$	$1.22 \pm 0.02$	$1.07 \pm 0.04$	$5839 \pm 37$
	Classic	$0.26 \pm 0.04$	$0.542 \pm 0.015$	$0.554 \pm 0.016$	$1.26 \pm 0.04$	$1.16 \pm 0.10$	$5759 \pm 85$
	PAVO+Classic	–	–	$0.539 \pm 0.007$	$1.22 \pm 0.02$	$1.07 \pm 0.05$	$5839 \pm 42$
16 Cyg B	PAVO	$0.56 \pm 0.04$	$0.467 \pm 0.004$	$0.490 \pm 0.006$	$1.12 \pm 0.02$	$1.05 \pm 0.04$	$5809 \pm 39$
	Classic	$0.27 \pm 0.04$	$0.502 \pm 0.020$	$0.513 \pm 0.020$	$1.17 \pm 0.05$	$1.20 \pm 0.14$	$5680 \pm 112$
	PAVO+Classic	–	–	$0.490 \pm 0.006$	$1.12 \pm 0.02$	$1.05 \pm 0.04$	$5809 \pm 39$

**White et al., 2013**

# LIMB DARKENING DATA





# FUTURE WORK

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- **Finish observations this year**
- **Combine spectrophotometry with interferometric sizes**
- **Fit binaries well and still get star sizes**
- **Fit data with one routine to help normalize and understand errors**
- **Place stars on evolutionary tracks and compare with models**

A composite image of a star field, likely a cluster or galaxy core, with two black circles overlaid on it. The circles are positioned to highlight two specific stars or regions within the field. The background is a dense field of stars of various colors, including blue, yellow, and red, set against a dark, reddish-brown nebula or dust cloud. The word "Questions?" is written in white serif font in the upper right quadrant of the image.

Questions?

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