



Surface and Circumstellar Structures in Early-Type Interacting Binaries

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Objective: To review photospheric and circumstellar features that have been inferred from spectroscopy and photometry that may be detected through interferometry today or in the future.

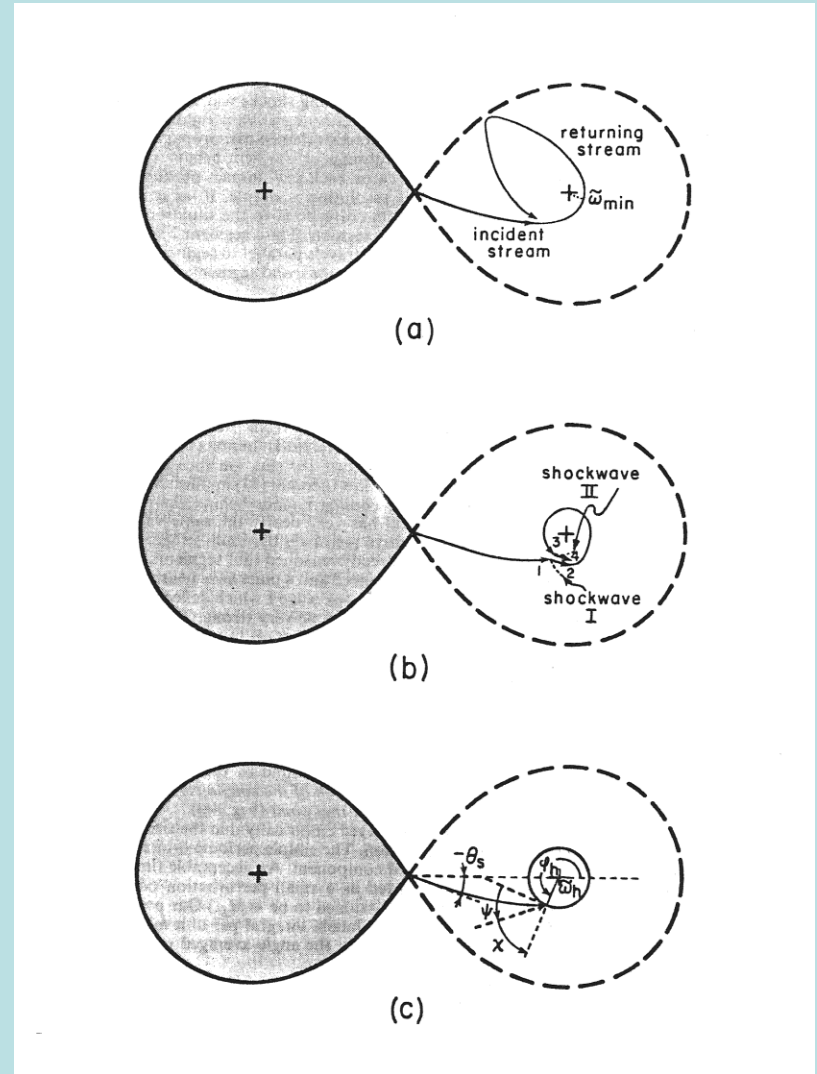
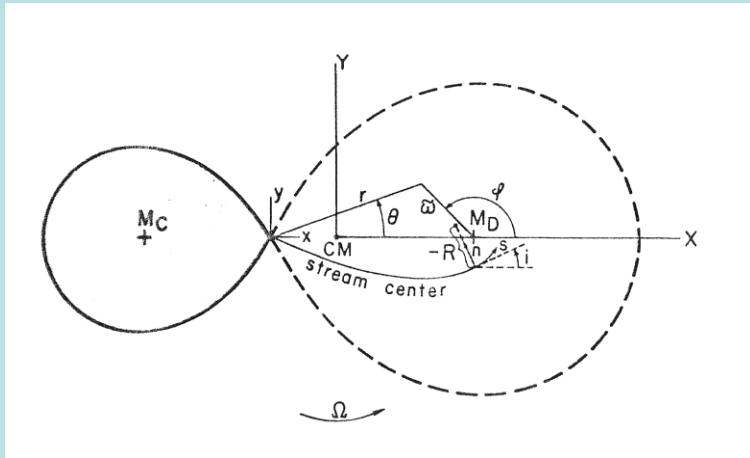
Targets: Algol Systems with B-Type Primaries

| System | Period (d) | Spectral Types | Separation (AU) | Distance (pc) | V (mag) | K (mag) |
|----------|------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------|---------|
| U Cep | 2.49 | B7V + G8III-IV | ~0.07 | 253 | 6.92 | 6.25 |
| TT Hya | 6.95 | B9.5e+K1III-IV | ~0.10 | 160 | 7.31 | 5.88 |
| V356 Sgr | 8.90 | B3V + A2II | ~0.21 | 450 | 6.99 | 6.65 |

A Kepler target currently way too distant for interferometry

| | | | | | | |
|--------|------|-------------|-------|-------|------|------|
| WX Dra | 1.80 | A8V + K0 IV | ~0.04 | | 12.8 | 11.7 |
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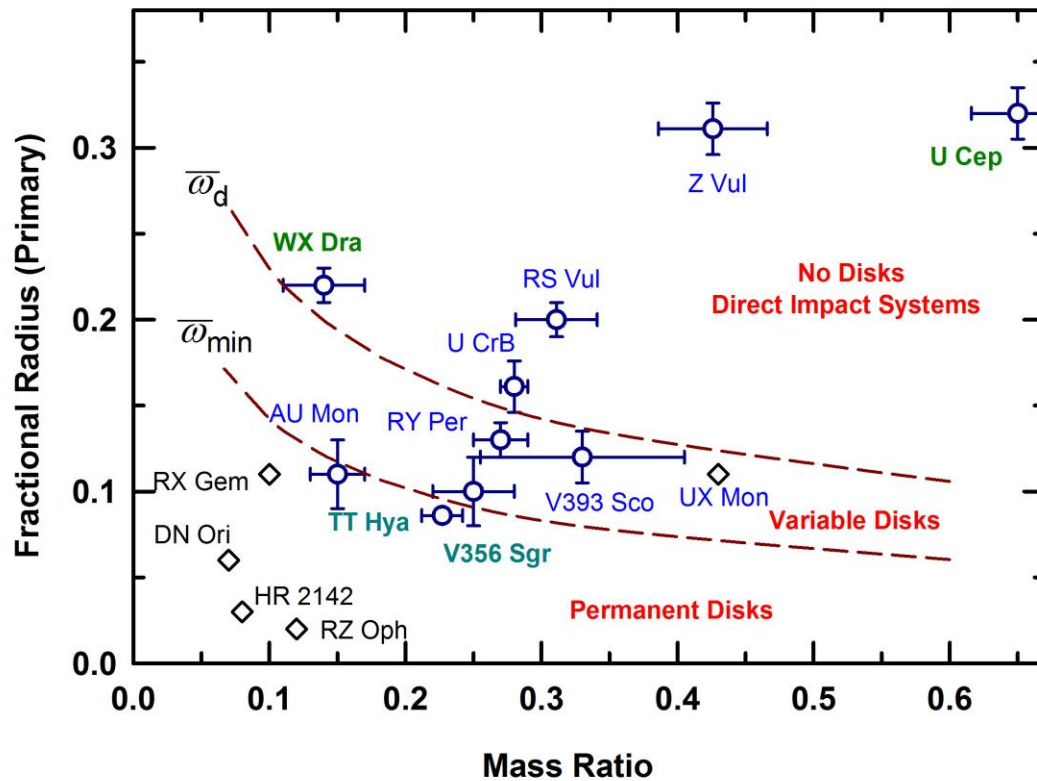
Gas dynamics of Lubow & Shu 1975, ApJ, 198,383



Definition of ω_{min} and ω_d

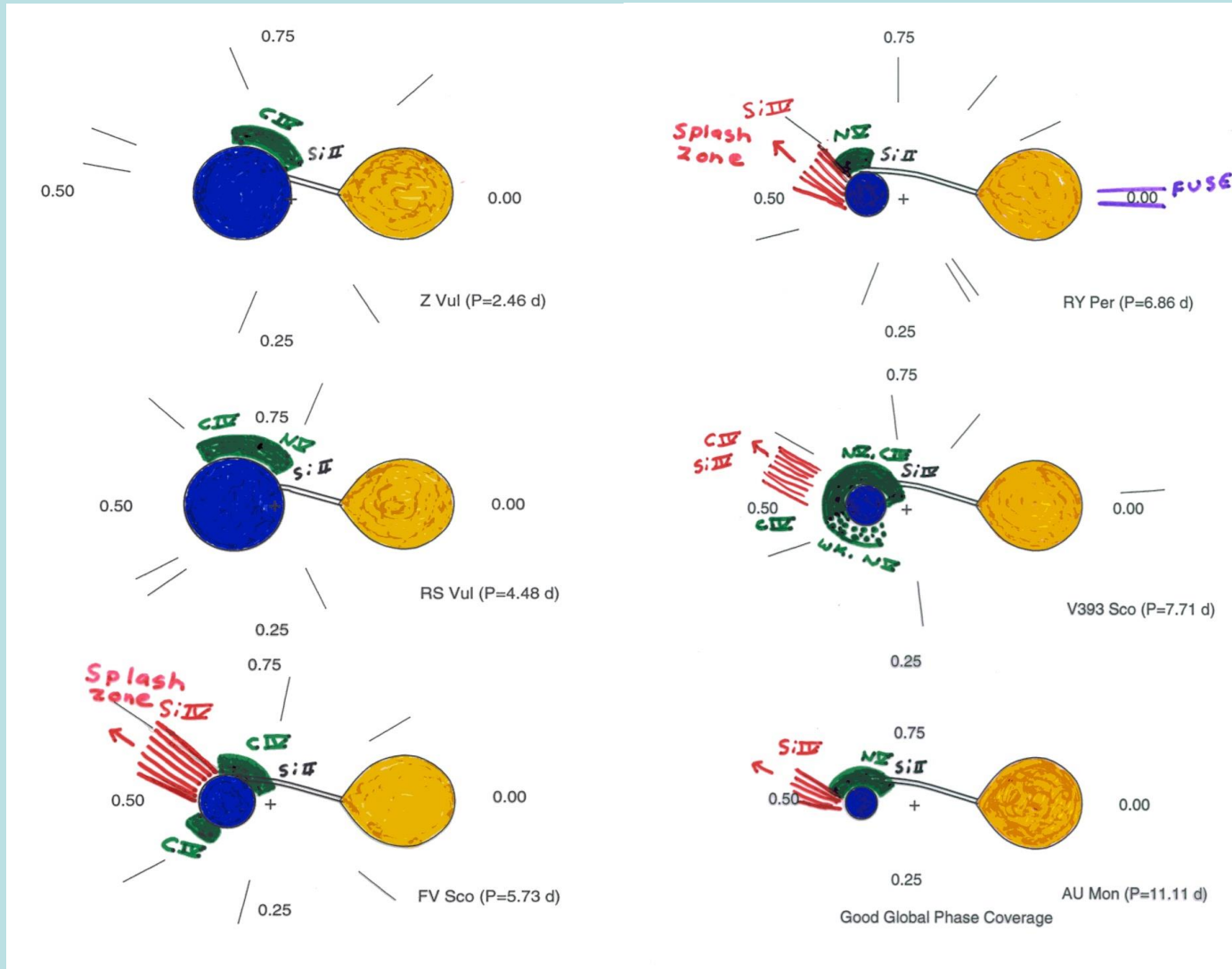


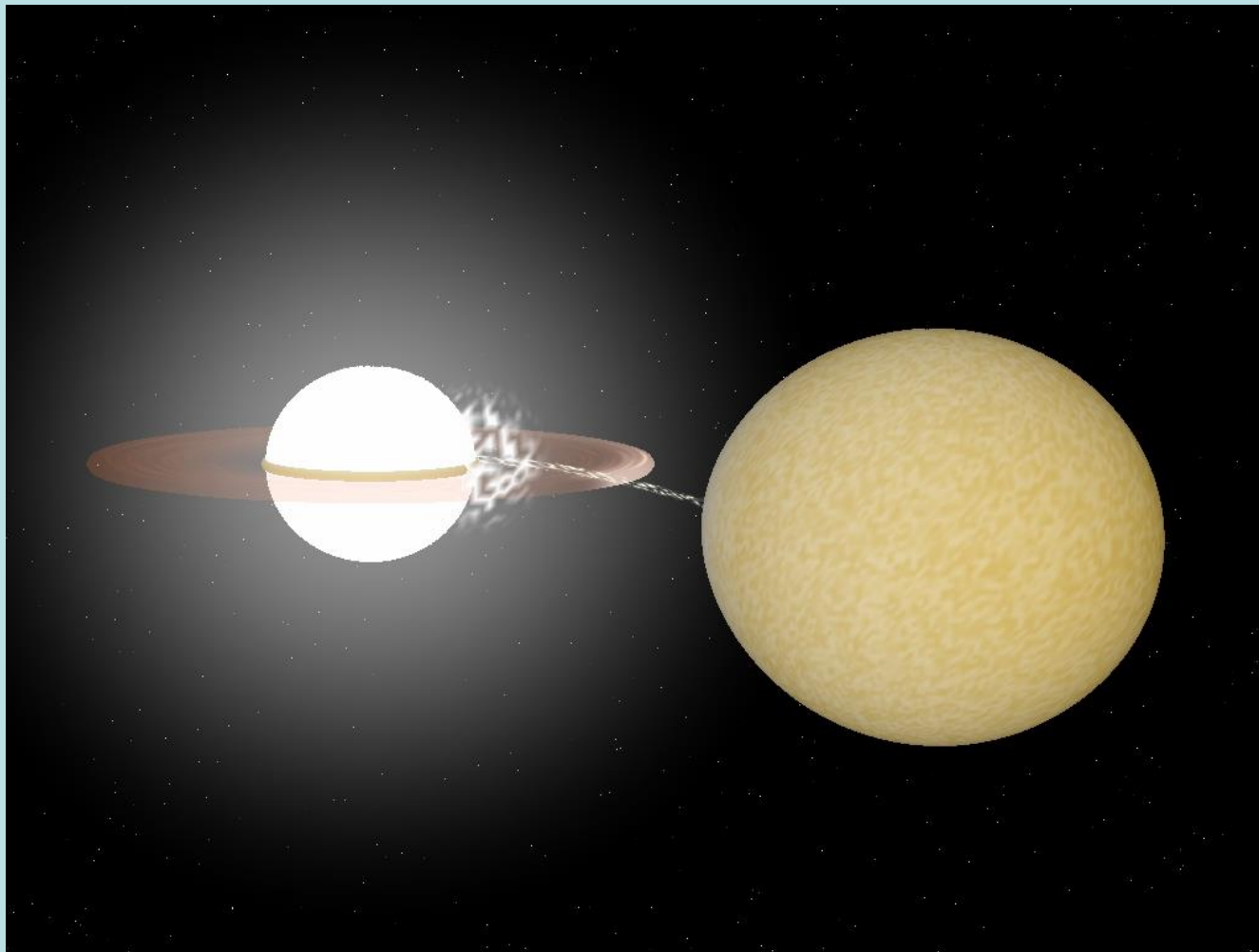
The $r - q$ Diagram





Pictorial Representation of Selected Systems Scaled to Size of Secondary





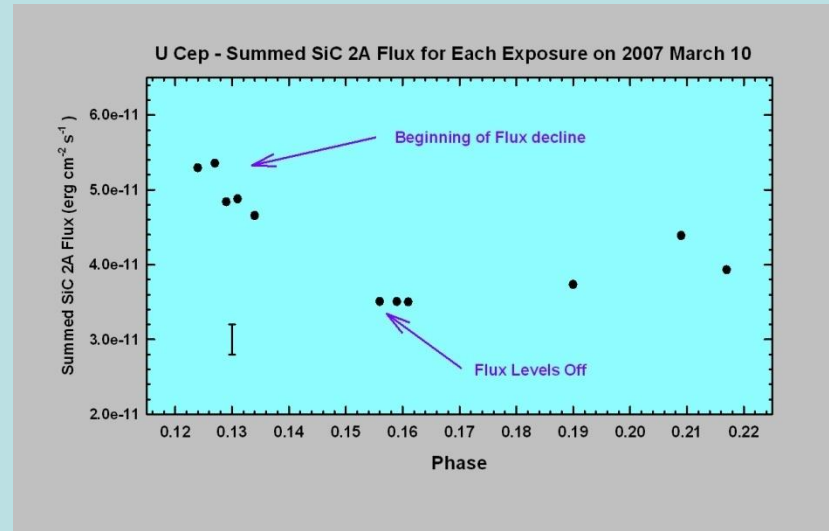
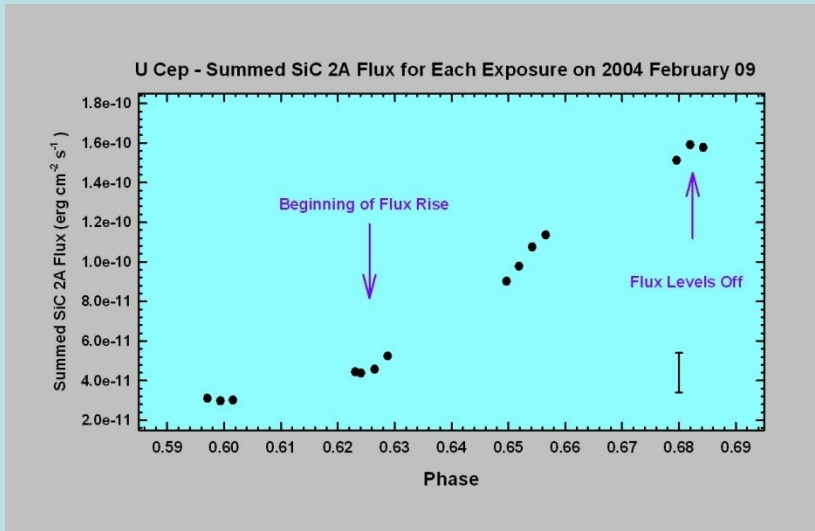
RY Per, $P=6.86$ d

Parameters from Barai et al. 2004, ApJ, 608, 989

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FUSE Observations of U Cep



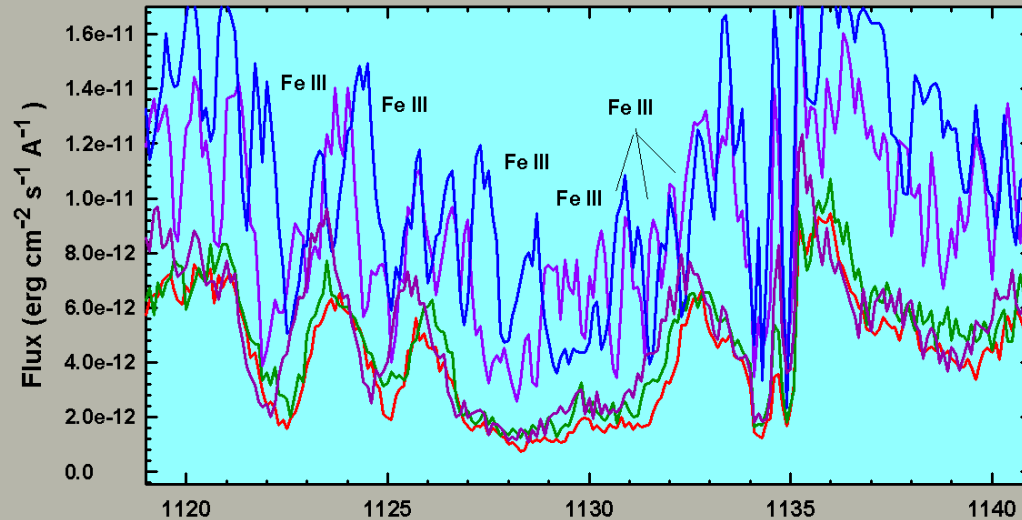
Inferred minimum size of accretion hot spot: 20°
 $T_e \sim 30,000 \text{ K}$ ($2 \times T_{\text{phot}}$), $N_e \sim 1 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(Peters, G. J., Andersson, B.-G., Ake, T. B., & Sankrit, R. 2017, in prep)

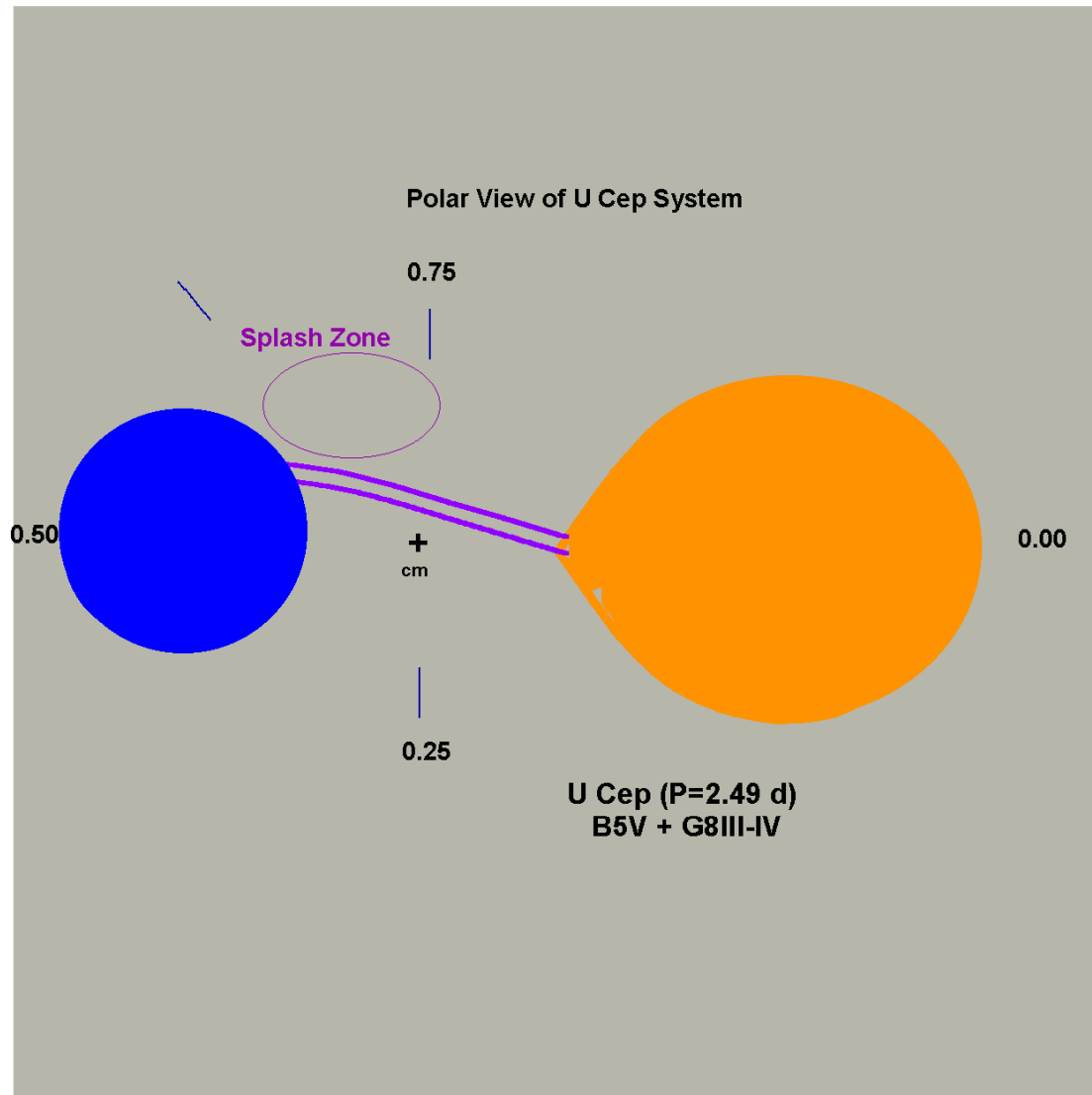


Hot Accretion Spot and Splash Plasma in U Cep

U Cep - Observation of 2004 Feb 09 in Vicinity of Fe III (UV1)



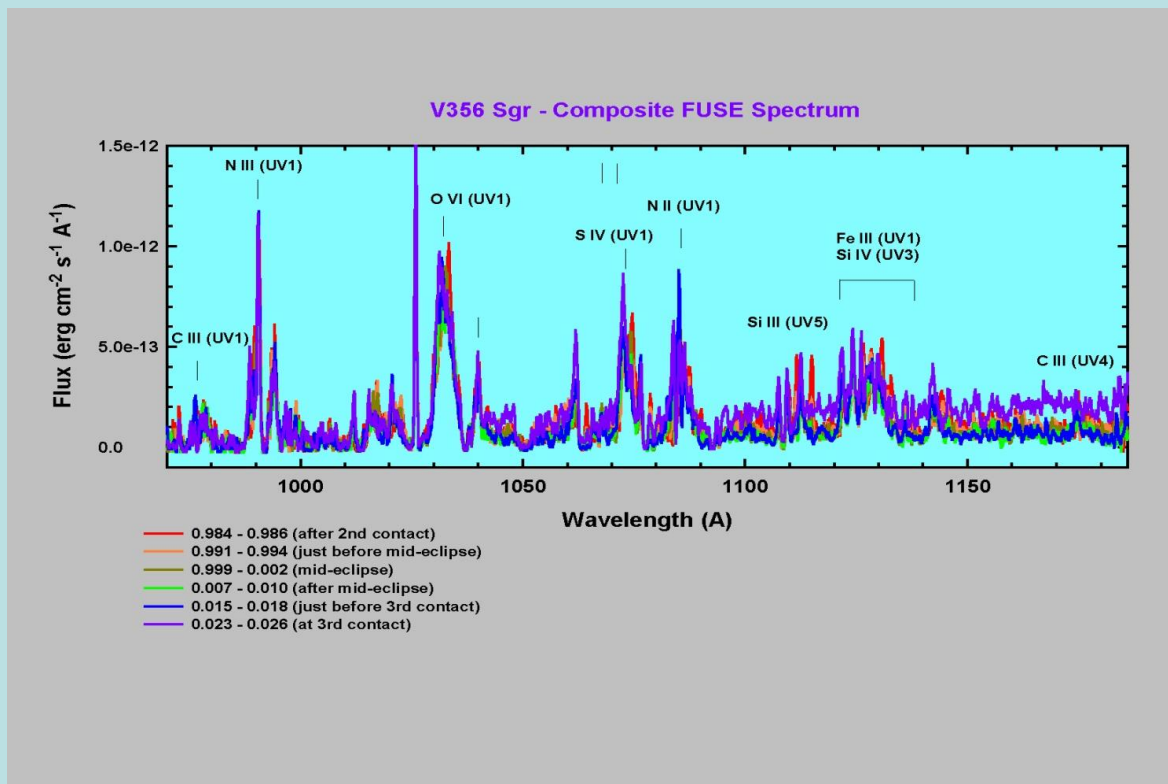
| | Phase | |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| — 2004 Feb 09 - Exp. 02 | 0.60 | FUV Flux level normal |
| — 2004 Feb 09 - Exp. 07 | 0.63 | FUV Flux begins to rise |
| — 2004 Feb 09 - Exp. 16 | 0.68 | Maximum observed flux |
| — 2004 Feb 10 - Exp. 01 | 0.28 | FUV flux returned to normal |
| — 2002 Sep 01 - Exp. 07 | 0.84 | Elevated FUV flux |



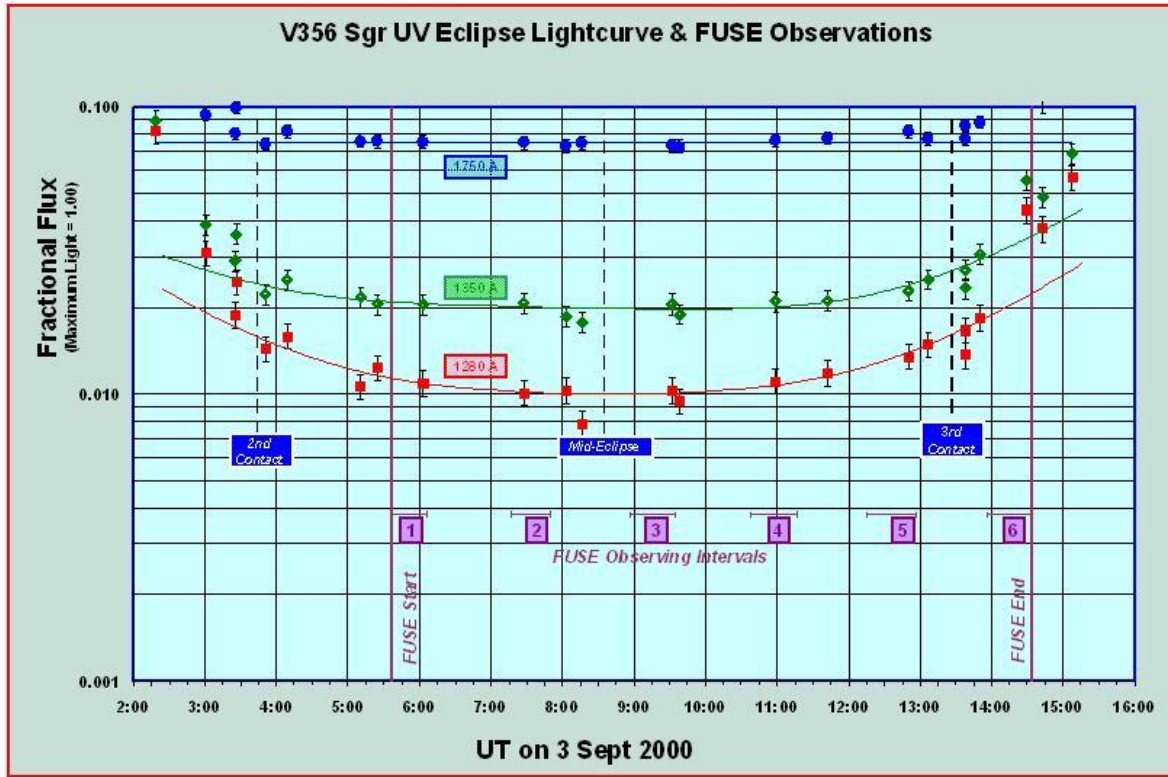


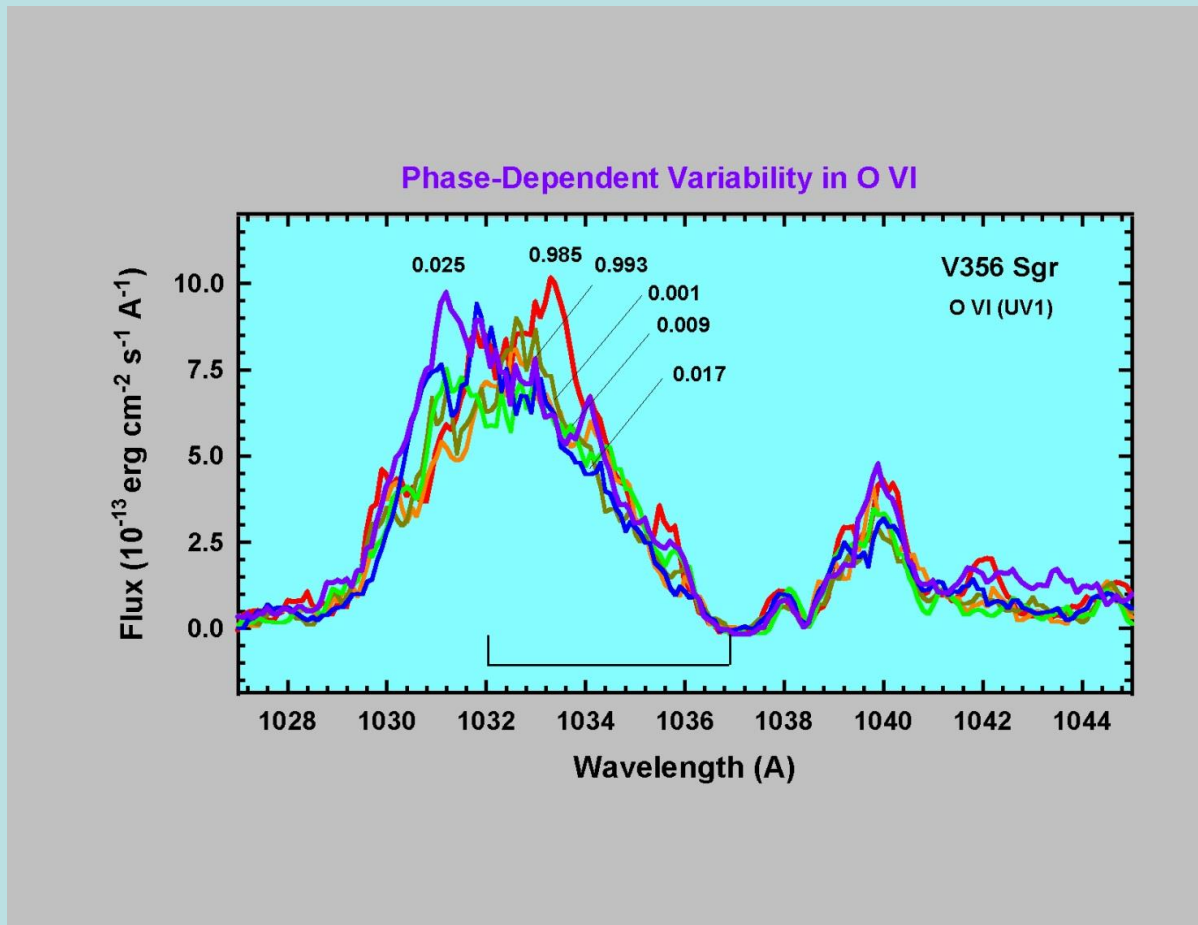
Eclipse Mapping from *FUSE* Observations Obtained During Totality (Peters, G. J., & Polidan, R. S. 2004, AN, 325, 225)

Stars Observed: V356 Sgr, TT Hya, RY Per

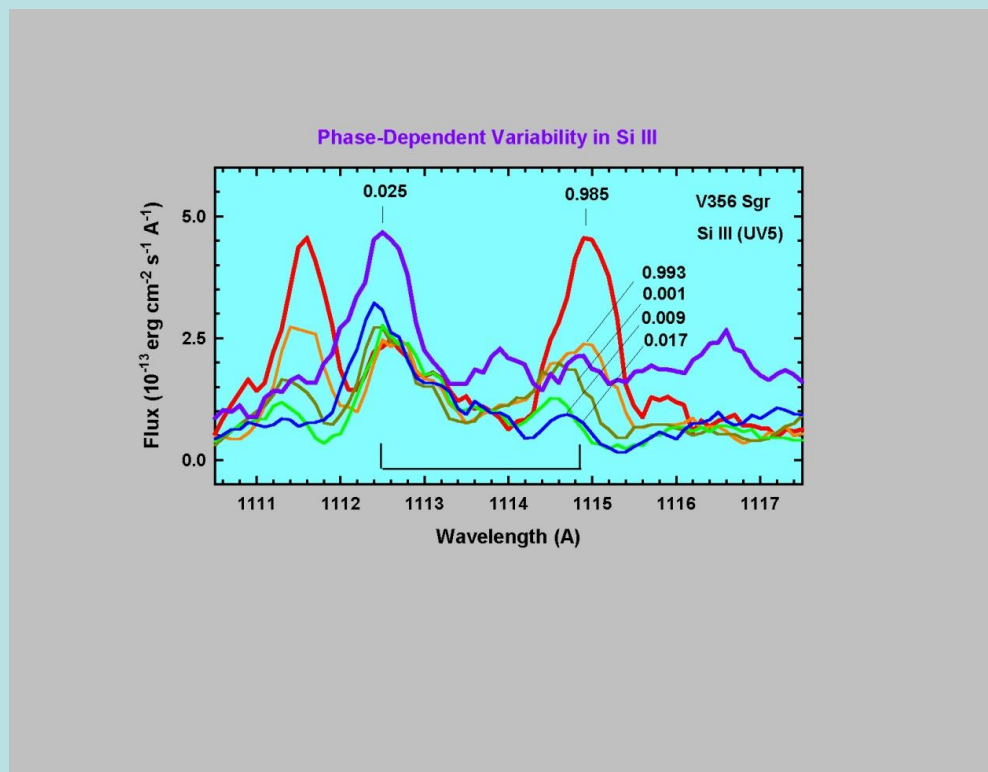


- Strongest emission feature is O VI 1032 A
 - implies presence of 300,000 K plasma
- CS plasma shows evidence of CNO processing





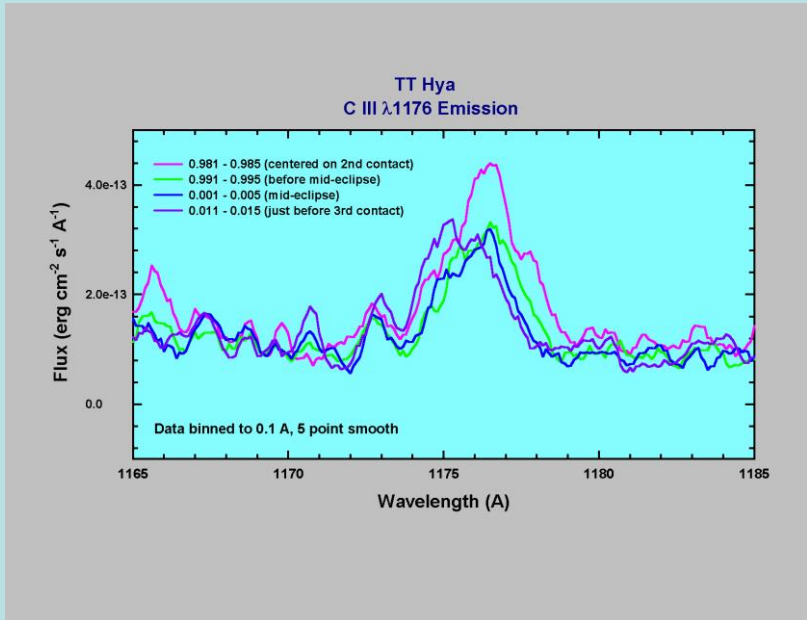
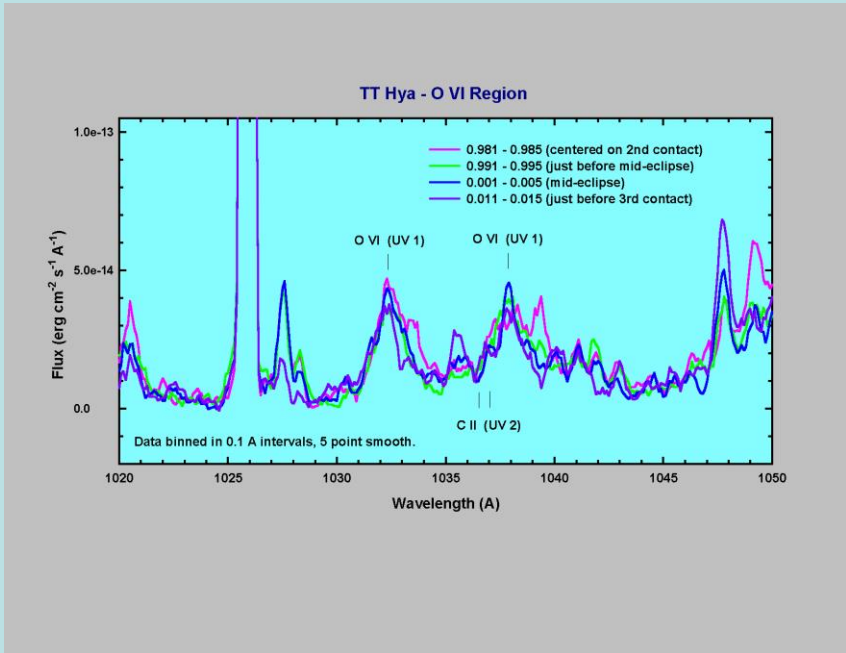
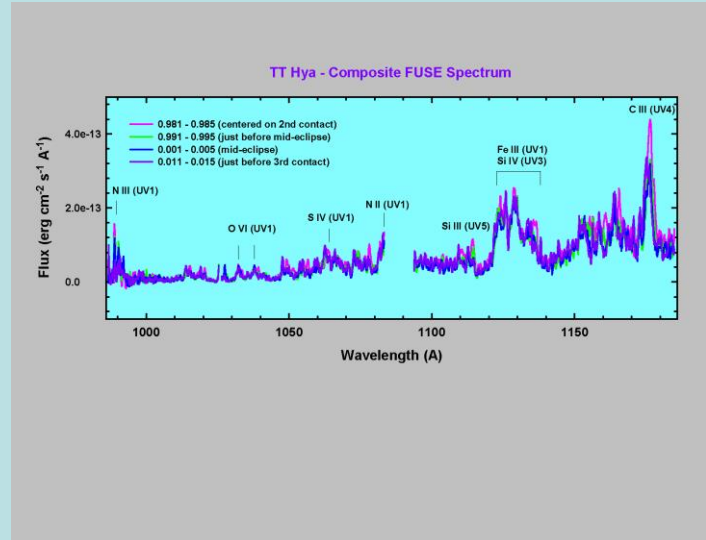
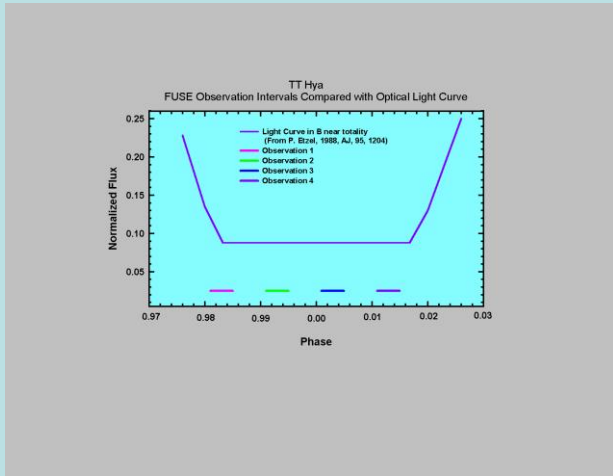
- O VI 1032 displays a FWHM of 1200 km/s
- Feature is a combination of a fixed component that is red-shifted by ~ 200 km/s (plasma above/below orbital plane) and one that displays a V/R variation (source in disk).
- Energy in line: 2×10^{32} erg s⁻¹



- Emission lines from moderate-ionization species are double-peaked and display classic V/R variability observed in Algol systems throughout eclipse (source in disk)
- Centroid is red-shifted by 150 km/s
- Material concentrated near mass gainer ($\sim 0.3R_{\text{star}}$)
- FWHM $\sim 2/3$ that of O VI feature



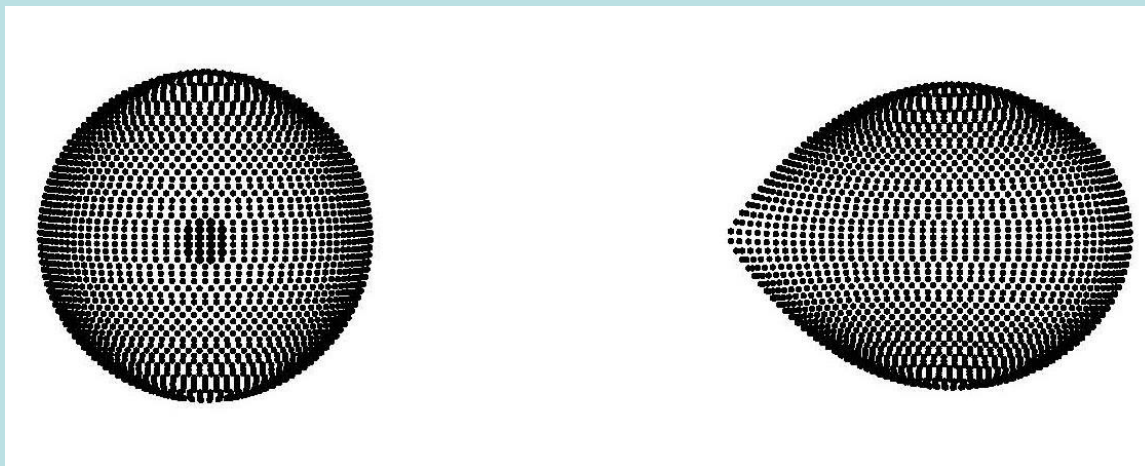
TT Hya





Analysis of *Kepler* Observations of WX Draconis

In collaboration with Bob Wilson & Todd Vaccaro



Kepler ID = 10581918

$m_{\text{kep}} = 12.796$

Sp. Types: A8V + K0 IV

$P = 1.80^{\text{d}}$

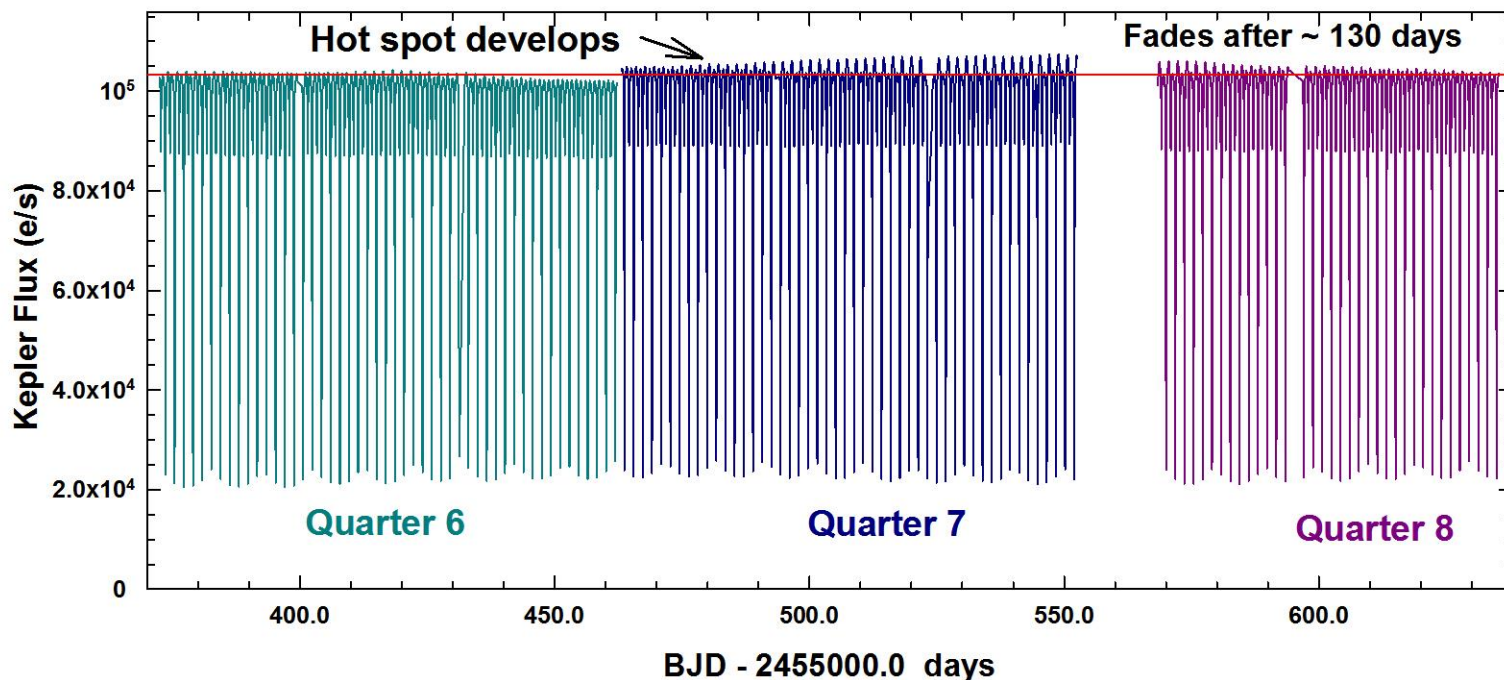
Primary is a δ Scuti star

System is an oEA

(oscillating EA – Mkrtychian et al. 2007, like AS Eri)



WX Draconis - Long Cadence Observations



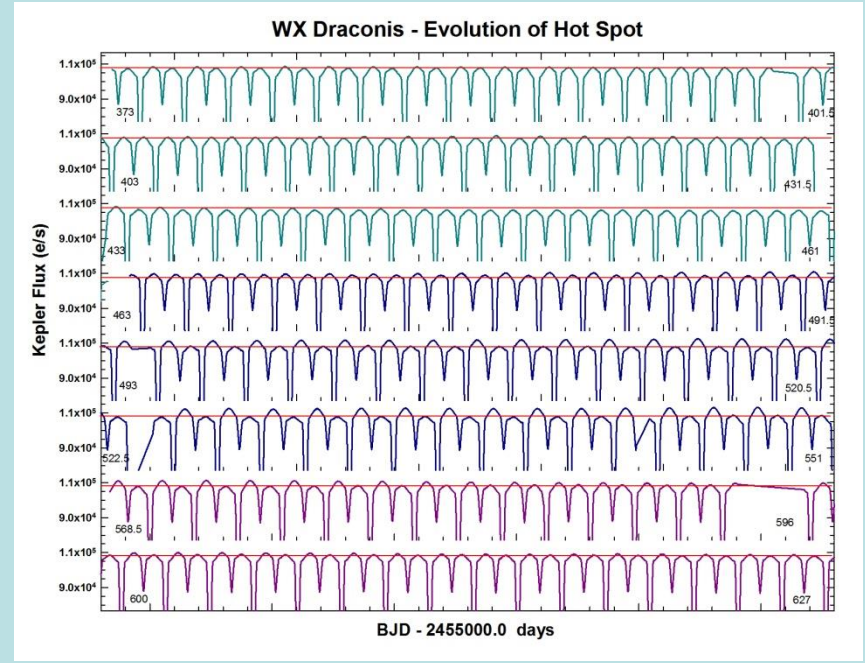
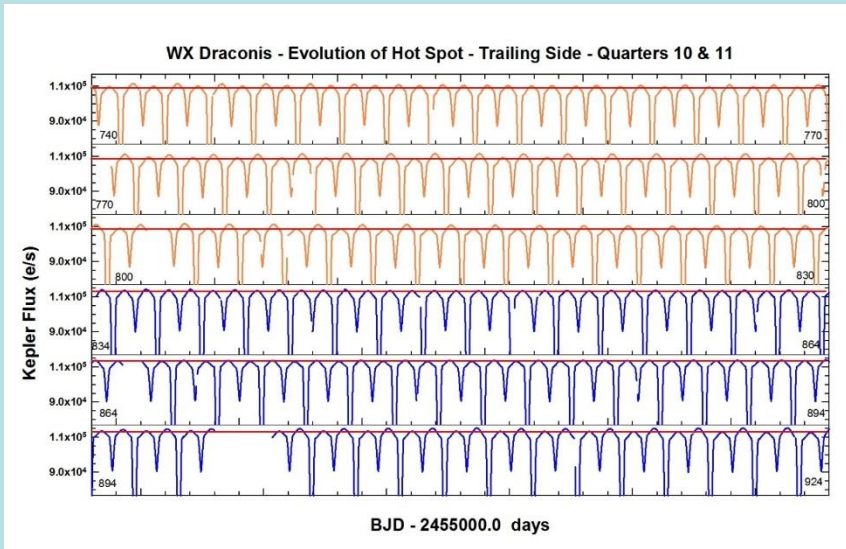


Quarters 10 & 11

$T > L$

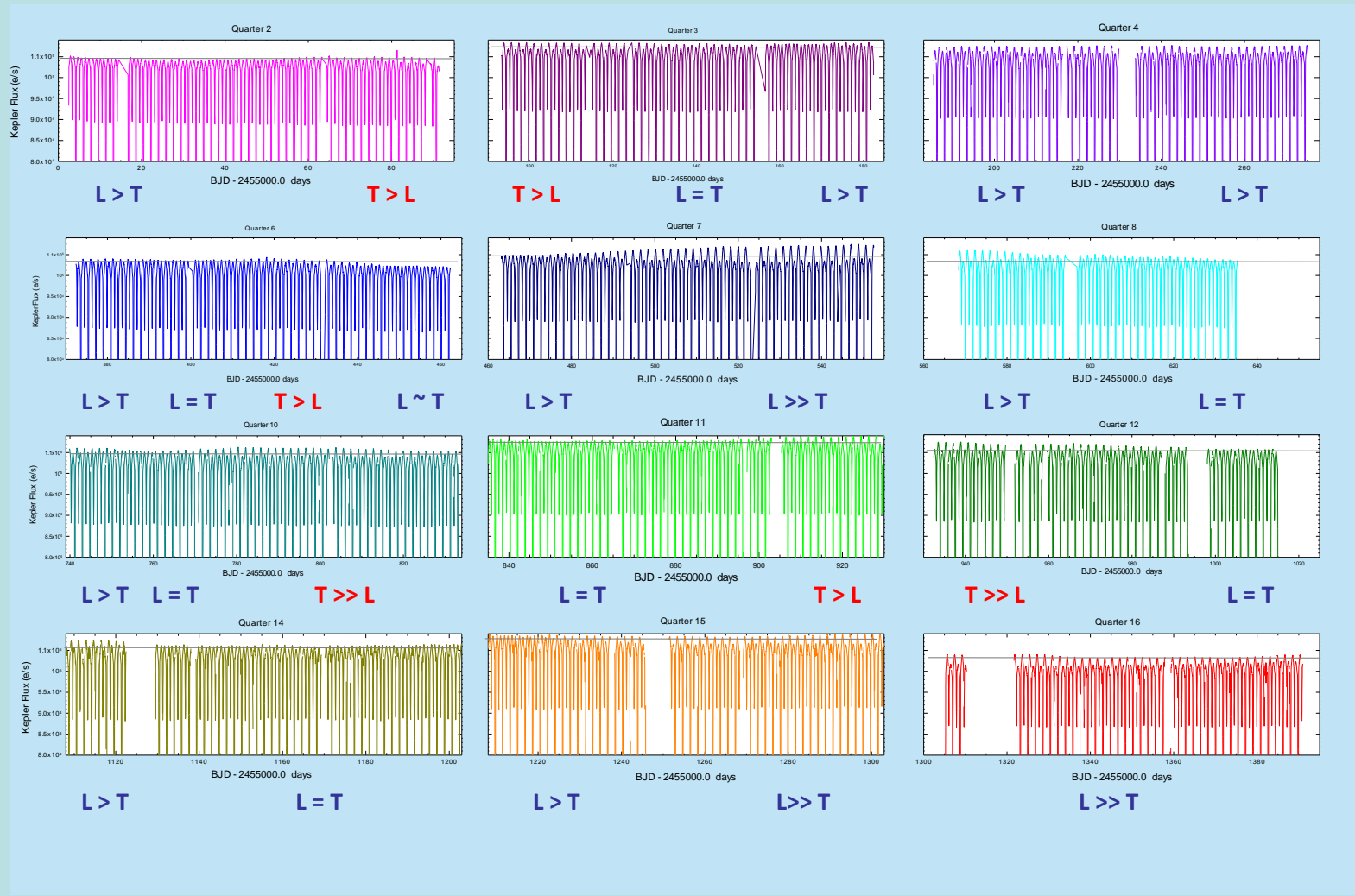
Quarters 6, 7, and 8

$L > T$





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ECLIPSING BINARIES WITH ALGOL-LIKE LIGHT CURVES AVAILABLE IN THE KEPLER ARCHIVE

| Kepler ID | Kepler Mag | Number LC | Number SC | Puls.? | Comments† |
|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|--------|------------------------------|
| 2708156 | 10.67 | 16 | 5 | no | UZ Lyr, P=1.89d, B9V+G-K1IV: |
| 3241619 | 12.52 | 16 | 1 | no | HAT199-30766, P=1.70d |
| 3440230 | 13.60 | 15 | 1 | no | P=2.88d |
| 4574310 | 13.20 | 13 | 1 | no | HAT199-60342 |
| 5294739 | 13.93 | 15 | 2 | yes: | V810 Cyg, P=3.73d, A0V:+G6IV |
| 5458880 | 7.82 | 12 | 2 | yes | HD 185780, P=3.51d, B0III+? |
| 5774375 | 13.90 | 12 | 0 | ... | P=1.55d |
| 6205460 | 12.75 | 16 | 5 | no: | V461 Lyr, P=3.72d, A2V:+K3IV |
| 6206751 | 12.14 | 16 | 4 | yes | HAT199-25863 |
| 6852488 | 13.90 | 15 | 1 | yes | P=2.17d |
| 7599132 | 9.39 | 16 | 2 | no | HD180757, B8.5V+? |
| 8196180 | 12.81 | 16 | 3 | yes: | P=3.67d |
| 8552540 | 10.30 | 16 | 3 | no | V2277 Cyg |
| 8553788 | 12.70 | 16 | 2 | yes | P=1.61d |
| 9101279 | 13.90 | 15 | 1 | yes | V1580 Cyg, P=1.81d |
| 9602595 | 11.88 | 13 | 2 | no | V995 Cyg, P=3.56d, B8:+G6IV |
| 9899416 | 10.03 | 16 | 4 | no | BR Cyg, P=1.33d, A5V+F0V |
| 10206340 | 11.20 | 17 | 12 | no | V850 Cyg, P=4.56 |
| 10581918 | 12.80 | 11 | 1 | yes | WX Dra, P=1.80d, A8V+K0IV: |
| 10736223 | 13.70 | 15 | 0 | ... | V2290 Cyg, P=1.06d |

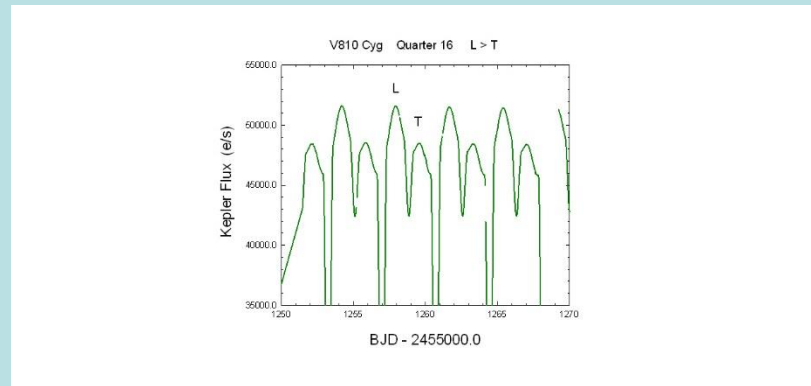
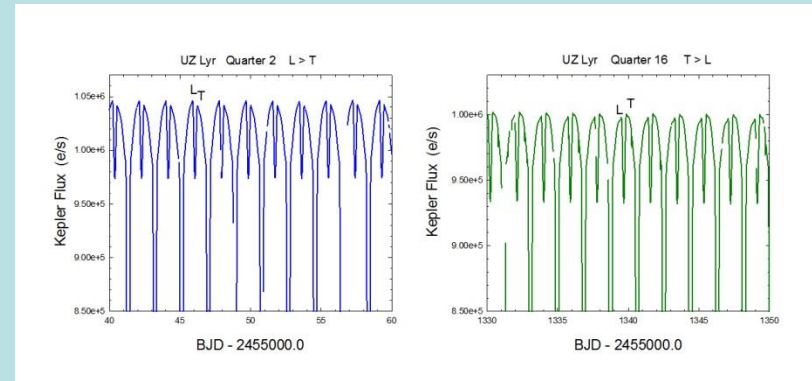
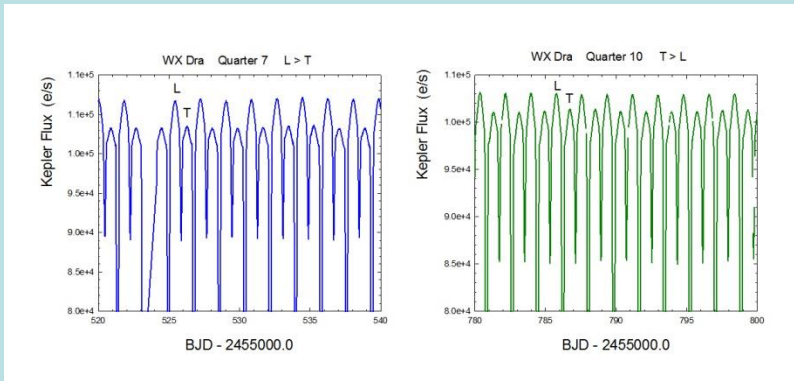
†From Balona et al. (2011), Malkov et al. (2006), and Pigulski et al. (2009).



ECLIPSING BINARIES WITH ALGOL-LIKE LIGHT CURVES AVAILABLE IN THE K2 ARCHIVE

| K2 ID | Kepler Mag | Campaign | Comments† |
|-----------|------------|----------|--|
| 202060135 | 9.3 | 0 | RW Gem, P=2.87 d, B6V+F0IV, total eclipse |
| 202063828 | 10.5 | 0 | AF Gem, P=1.24 d, A0+G0III-IV, L=T |
| 202064026 | 11.2 | 0 | BO Gem, P=4.07 d, A2 primary, L=T |
| 202072929 | 10.5 | 0 | AY Gem, P=3.05 d, A0 primary, L=T |
| 202072971 | 15.5 | 0 | DV Gem, P=4.40 d, L>T |
| 202072991 | 10.1 | 0 | V396 Gem, P=2.75 d, L=T |
| 202073003 | 12.6 | 0 | EF Gem, P=6.10 d, L=T |
| 202073061 | 14.6 | 0 | V644 Ori, P=2.48 d, L>T |
| 202073064 | 13.7 | 0 | CP Gem, P=2.40 d, L=T |
| 202073088 | 14.5 | 0 | V668 Ori, P=2.05 d, T>L var |
| 202073121 | 15.7 | 0 | HU Gem, P=1.7 d, L=T |
| 202073124 | 13.4 | 0 | TZ Gem, P=1.68 d, L=T |
| 202073135 | 11.9 | 0 | BD Gem, P= 1.62 d, L=T |
| 202073270 | 10.9 | 0 | V392 Ori, P=0.66 d:, A5 primary, L/T var |
| 202083021 | 16.0 | 0 | KX Gem, P=2.93 d, T>L, total eclipse |
| 201488365 | 8.81 | 1 | FM Leo, P=3.5 d, L=T |
| 202685083 | 11.5 | 2 | V867 Sco, P=3.32 d |
| 204399980 | 8.82 | 2 | V718 Sco, A2 primary |
| 205506785 | 8.39 | 2 | V1283 Sco, P=1.76 d, A0V+K0III |
| 205982900 | 10.23 | 3 | BW Aqr, P=6.72 d, L=T |
| 206202136 | 12.82 | 3 | FW Aqr, P=4.89 d L=T |
| 206260730 | 11.91 | 3 | XZ Aqr, P=2.06 d, T>L var |
| 206532093 | 11.56 | 3 | GN Aqr, P=4.41 d, L=T, puls |
| 210786891 | 11.00 | 4 | SZ Ari, P=1.7 d, T>>L, var |
| 210969614 | 11.2 | 4 | CF Tau, P=2.8 d, L>T, flaring |
| 211972837 | 13.5 | 5 | RY Cnc, P=1.1 d, A8III, T>L, puls? |
| 211604396 | 13.2 | 5 | AB Cnc, P=0.9 d, L>>T, var |
| 211920612 | 8.4 | 5 | S Cnc, P=9.5 d, B9V+G8-9III-IV, total eclipse, L=T |
| 212841253 | 10.5 | 6 | V342 Vir, P=0.75 d, A-type primary, L>>T, var |
| 212576383 | 9.1 | 6 | V338 Vir, P=2.99 d, L=T, var puls |
| 212351048 | 10.0 | 6 | BD Vir, P=2.55 d, A5+K1IV, total eclipse, T>L |

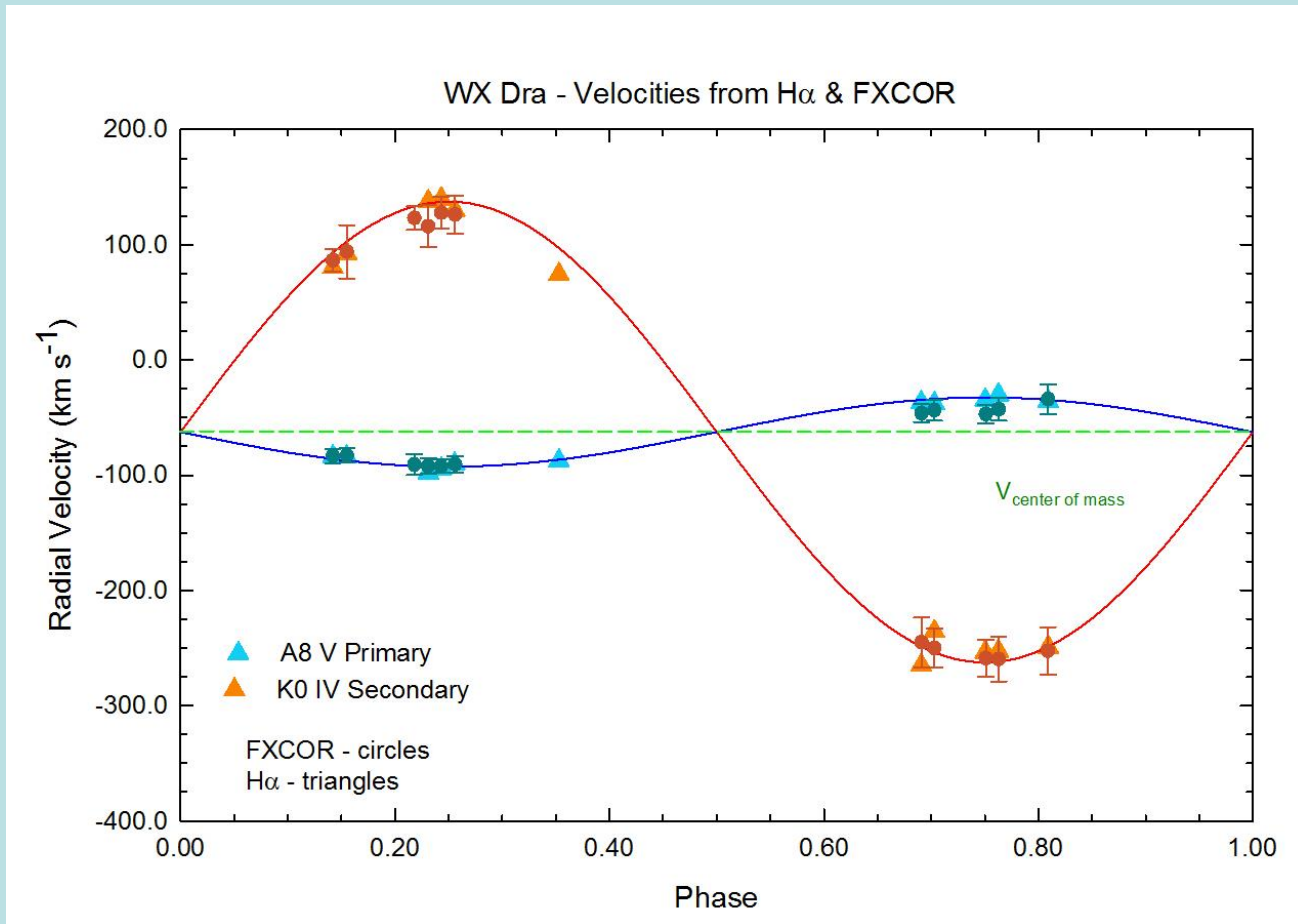




Hot or Cool ?



- The light curves are being analyzed with an updated version of the Wilson & Devinney (WD) code (Wilson & Devinney 1971) updated by Wilson (1990, 2008, 2012, 2015).
- Recent additions include major improvements in modeling star spots (Spotted star's light and velocity curves, spot motions due to drift and stellar rotation, and spot growth and decay).
- The analysis can be applied to both accretion hot spots and magnetic cool spots.
- The program gives parameters for times of spot appearance, development, and disappearance.

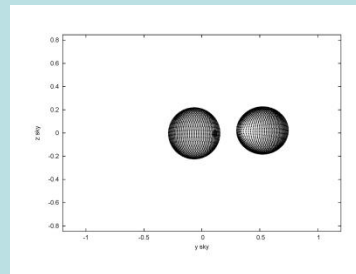
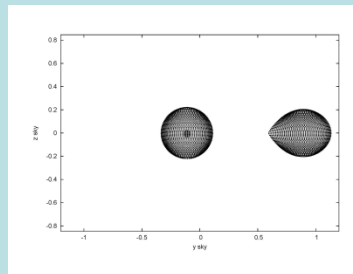
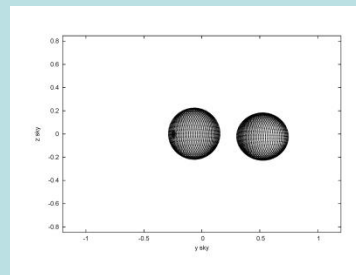
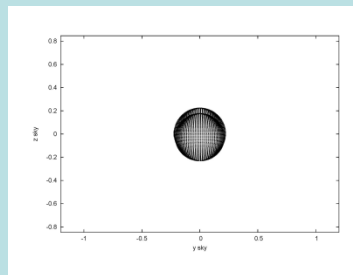


Spectra from KPNO 4m Echelle spectrograph
Mass ratio ~ 0.14 (almost detached)

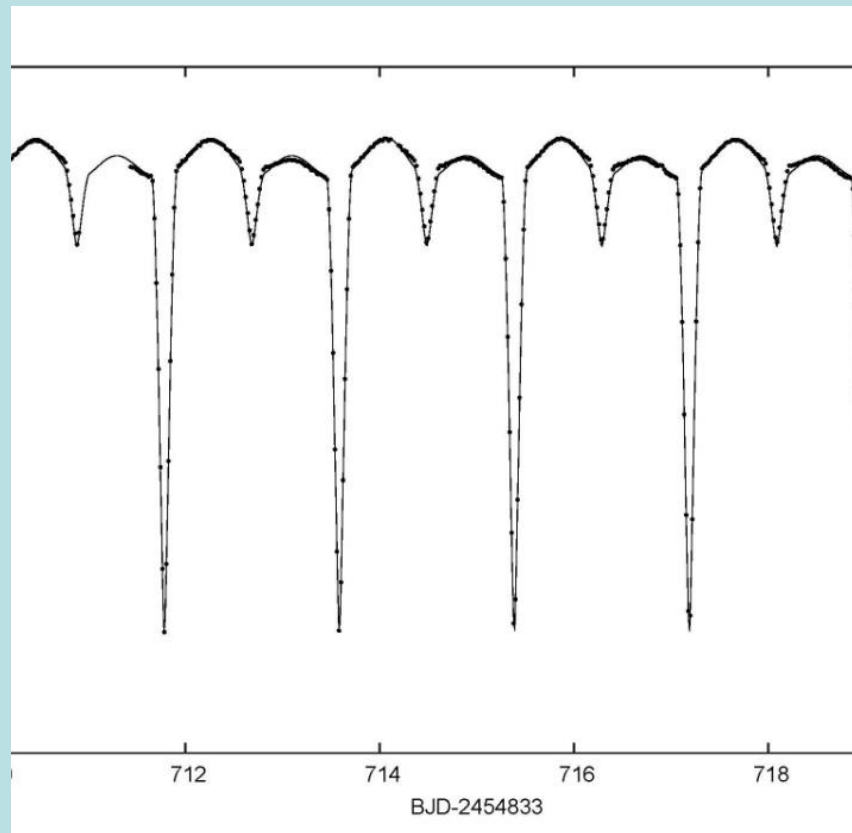
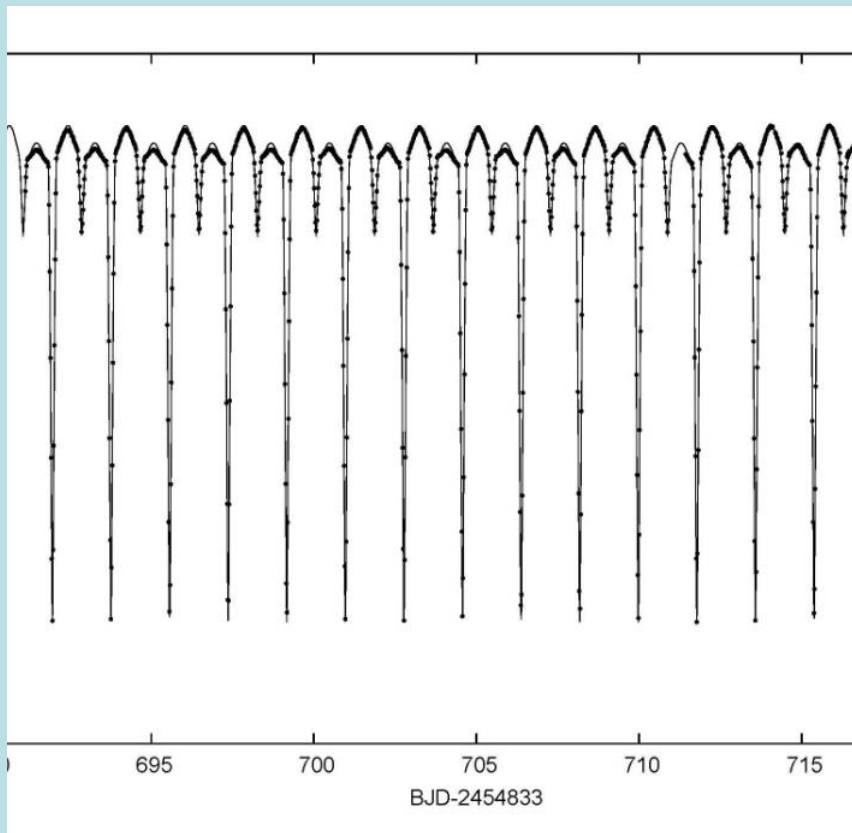


Semimajor axis: 7.9 R_{sun}
Inclination: 88.25 deg
Spot temperature: 18,000 K
Spot radius: 0.1 rad
Spot longitude: 4.7 - 5.4 radians

| | A8 V star | K0 IV star |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| T_{phot} : | 7800 K | 5140 K |
| R_{pole/a} : | 0.22 | 0.20 |
| R_{side/a} : | 0.22 | 0.21 |
| R_{back/a} : | 0.22 | 0.24 |



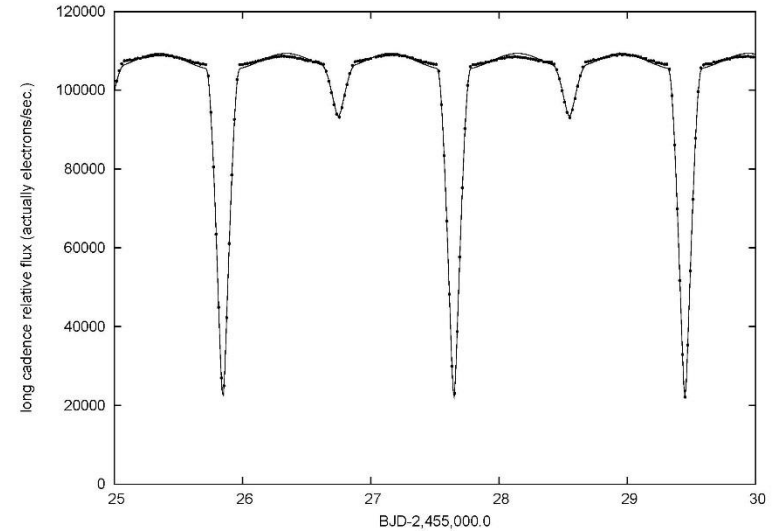
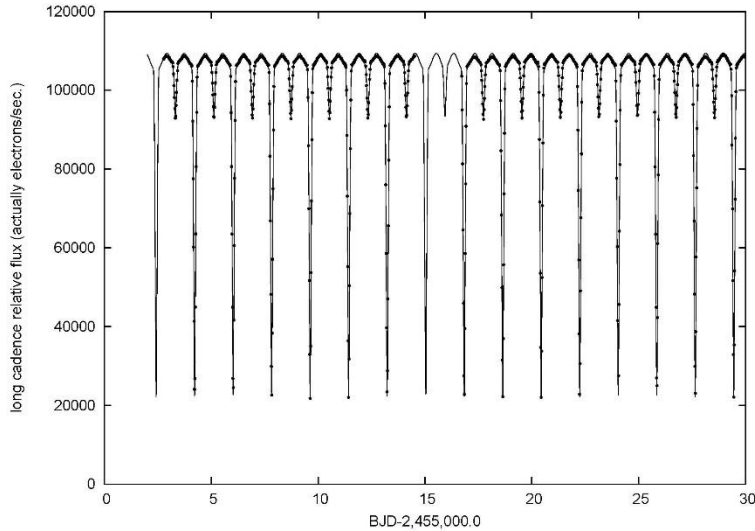
Clockwise from the top left :
Views at phase 0.0, 0.10, 0.25, and 0.45.
The temperature of the spot is about
2.3 T_{phot}



Shoulders of observed light curve too steep compared with model calculation in which the secondary is assumed to fill its Roche lobe.



Is WX Dra Detached ?



Left: Fit to stretch when quadratures were equal
Right: Expansion of plot - Model's quadratures a bit shallow.
If system is detached, hot spot model unlikely.
If L/T variations caused by cool spot, about 40% of the cool star must be covered by black region.

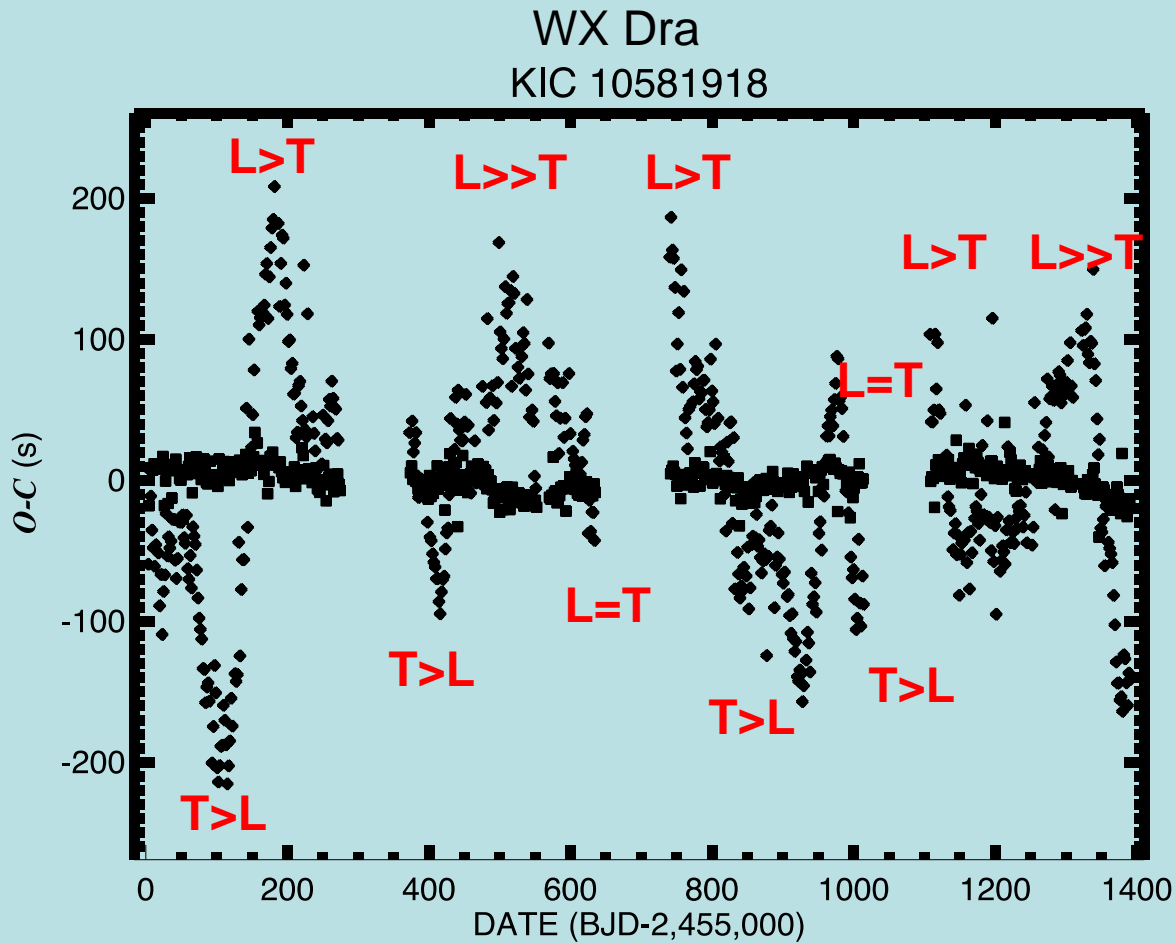
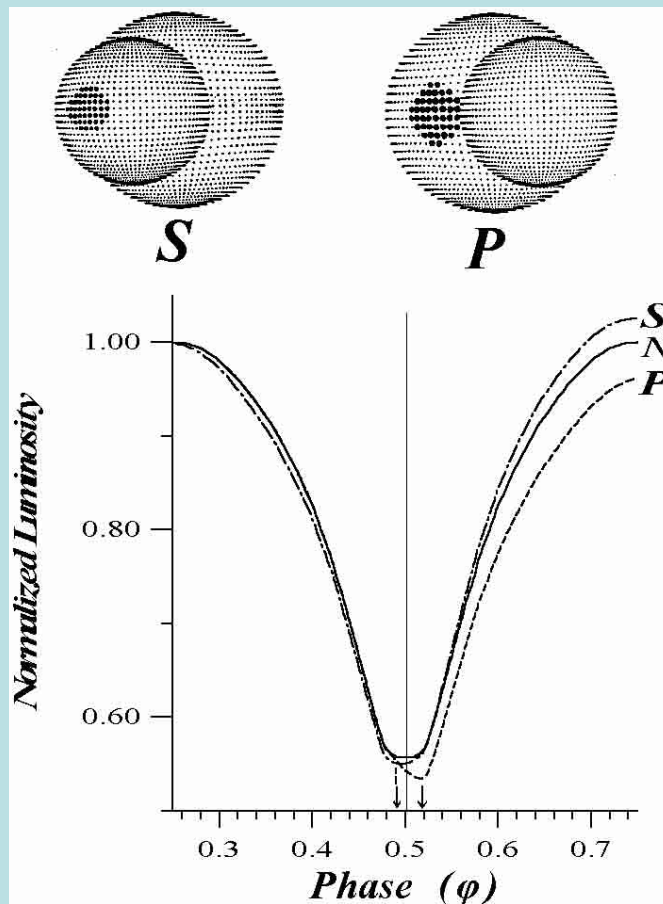
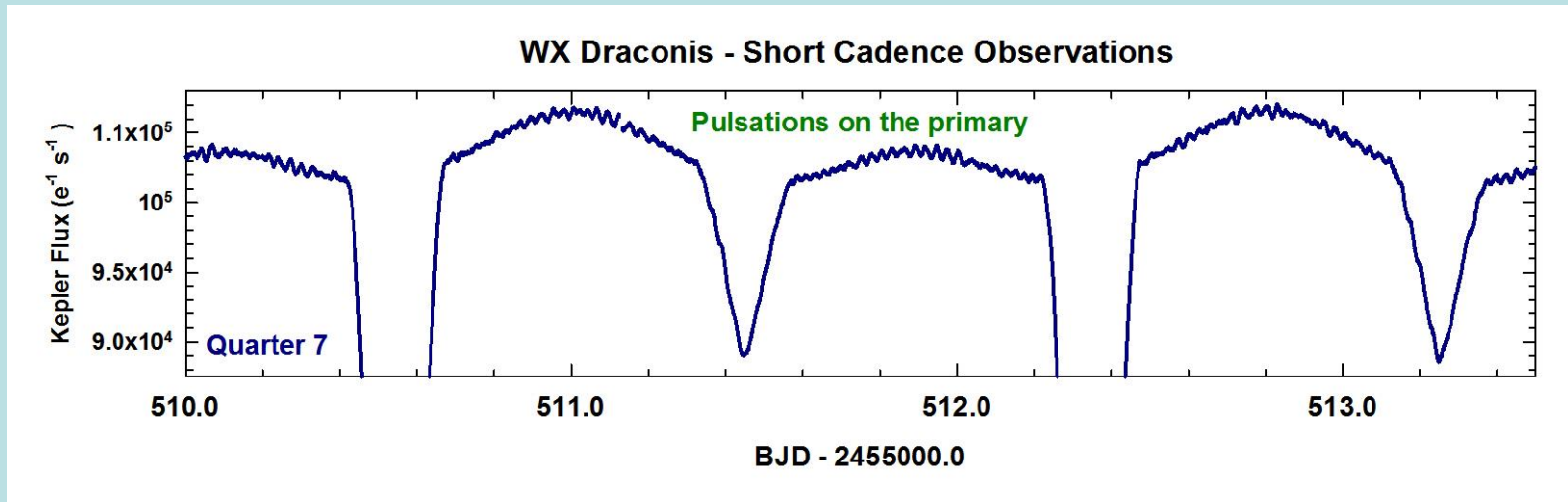


Fig. 1.35.— The observed minus calculated eclipse times relative to a linear ephemeris. The primary and secondary eclipse times are indicated by + and × symbols, respectively.

Gies et al. 2015, ApJ, 150, 178



Kalimeris et al. 2002, A&A, 387,969



- Short cadence observations reveal pulsational behavior
- Dominant period is 40.56 ± 2.87 m.
- Amplitude varies – larger at quadratures
- Maximum continuum light variability is about 2%
- Pulsations associated with the primary as they are observed during secondary eclipse and not at primary eclipse
- Primary is δ Scuti star, similar to KIC 10661783 (Southworth, et al. 2011 (MNRAS, 414, 2413))
- Asteroseismology study is in progress.



Concluding Remarks

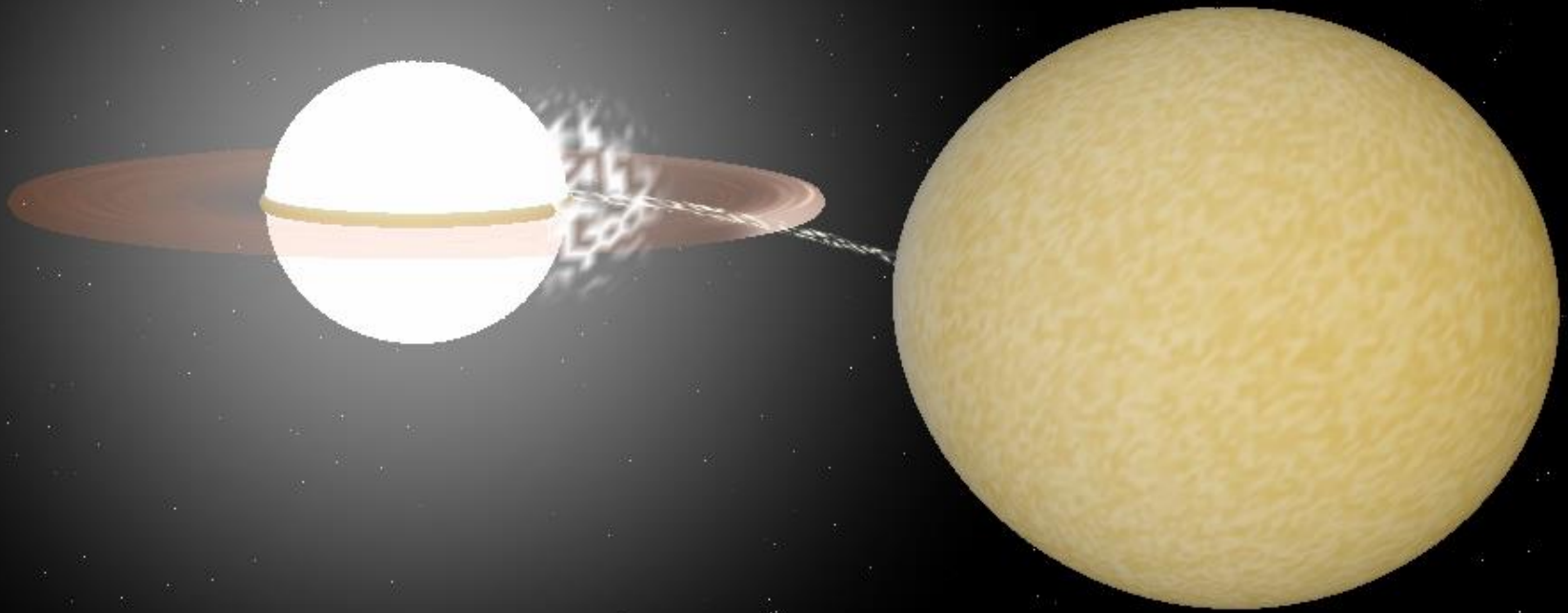
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- **Accretion hot spots on the mass gainer**
- **Gas stream**
- **Splash regions**
- **Large magnetic Cool Spots on mass Loser**

A RS CVn phenomenon may be happening in Algols
(Reviewed by Richards et al. 2014, ApJ, 795, 160)

Algols are tidally-locked – Mass loser is spun up
enhancing magnetic activity – Activity cycles probably
exist as in WX Dra.

The magnetic field is frozen-in – carried with the mass
flow. This may produce magnetic disks, explain bipolar
flows (as in V356 Sgr), and govern the landing spot for the impacting
gas stream.



THANK YOU