

First results of the CHARA/SPICA ISSP binary program

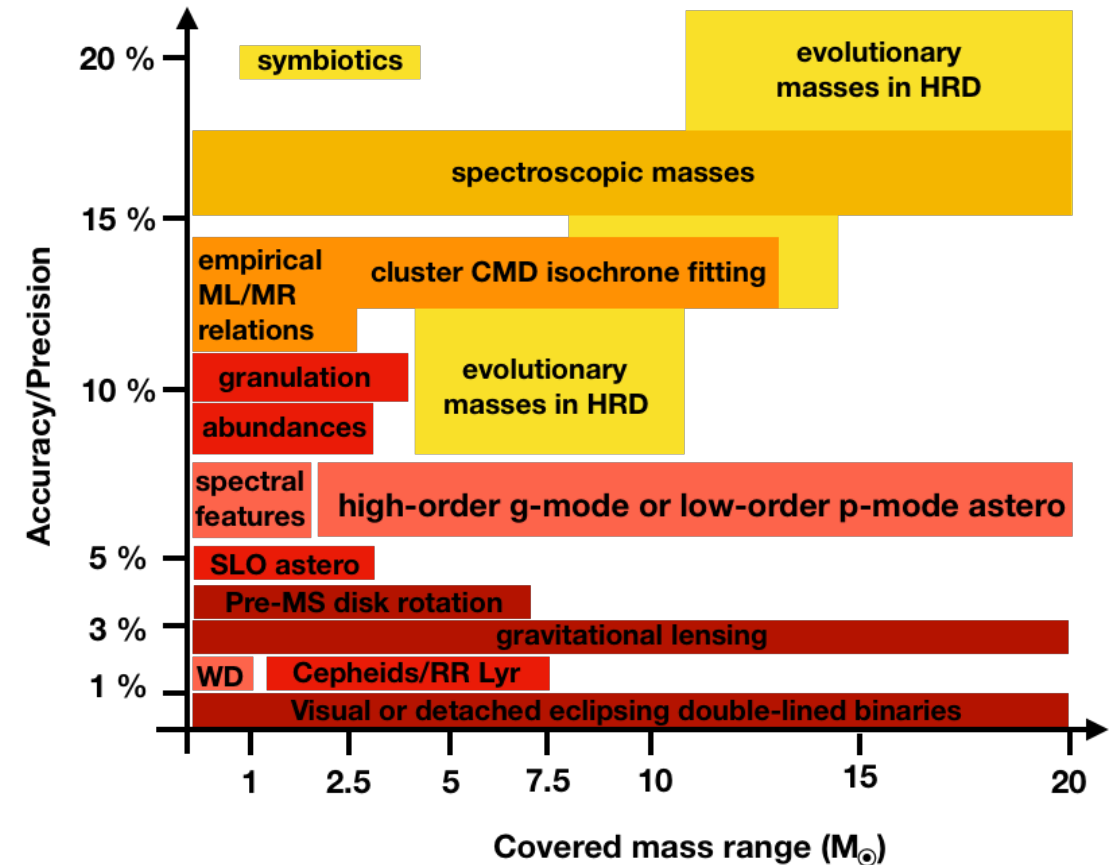
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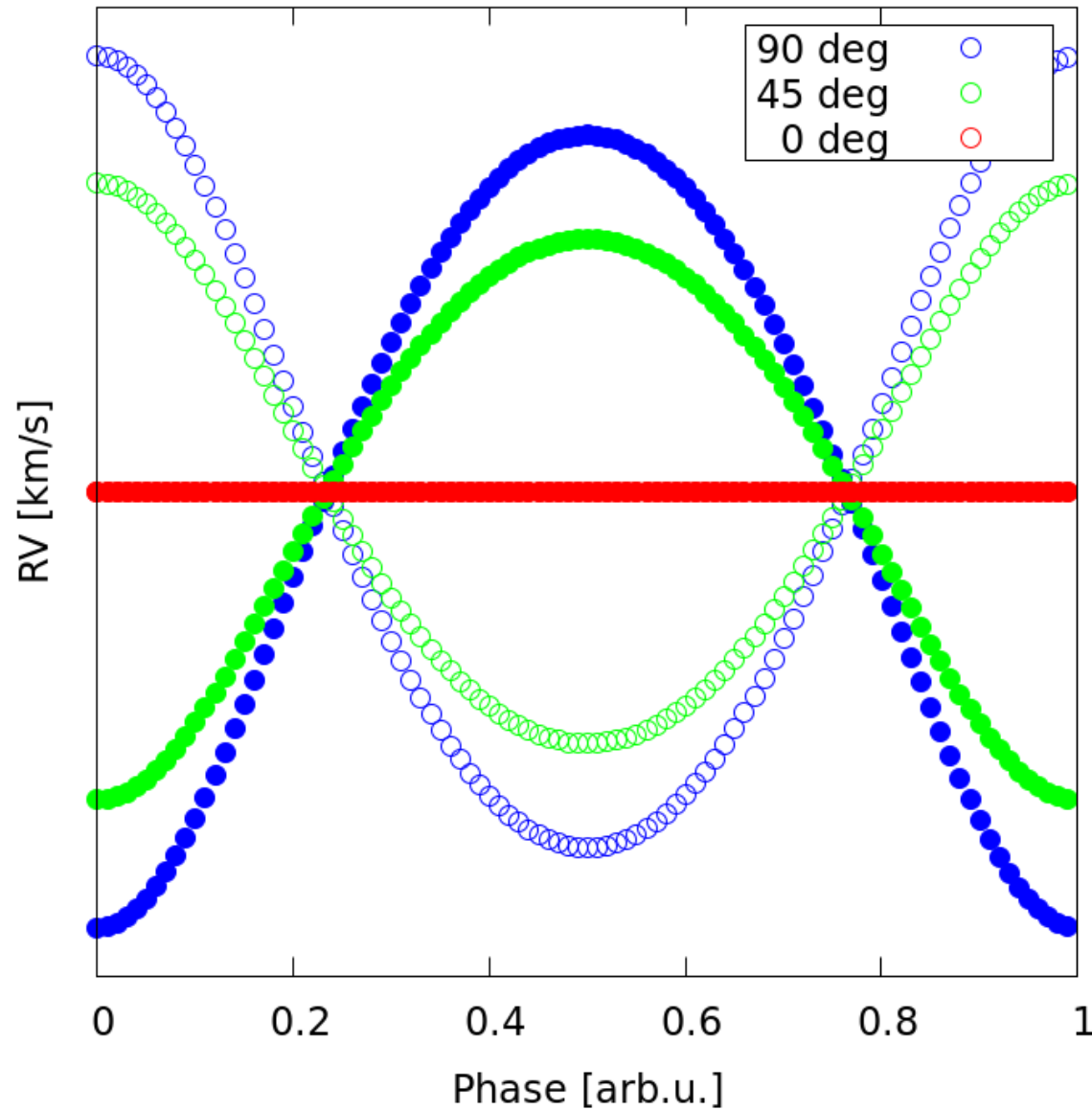
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Introduction

- Form the base in determination of stellar masses
- Combination of spectroscopy + photometry - precision $\sim 1\%$ (specific cases – eclipsing binaries)
- Interferometry – orbit reconstruction – precision $< 1\%$ (Gallenne+ 2016, Lester+ 2022)
lifts heavy degeneracy in mass and inclination
- Independent distance



(Serenelli+ 2021)



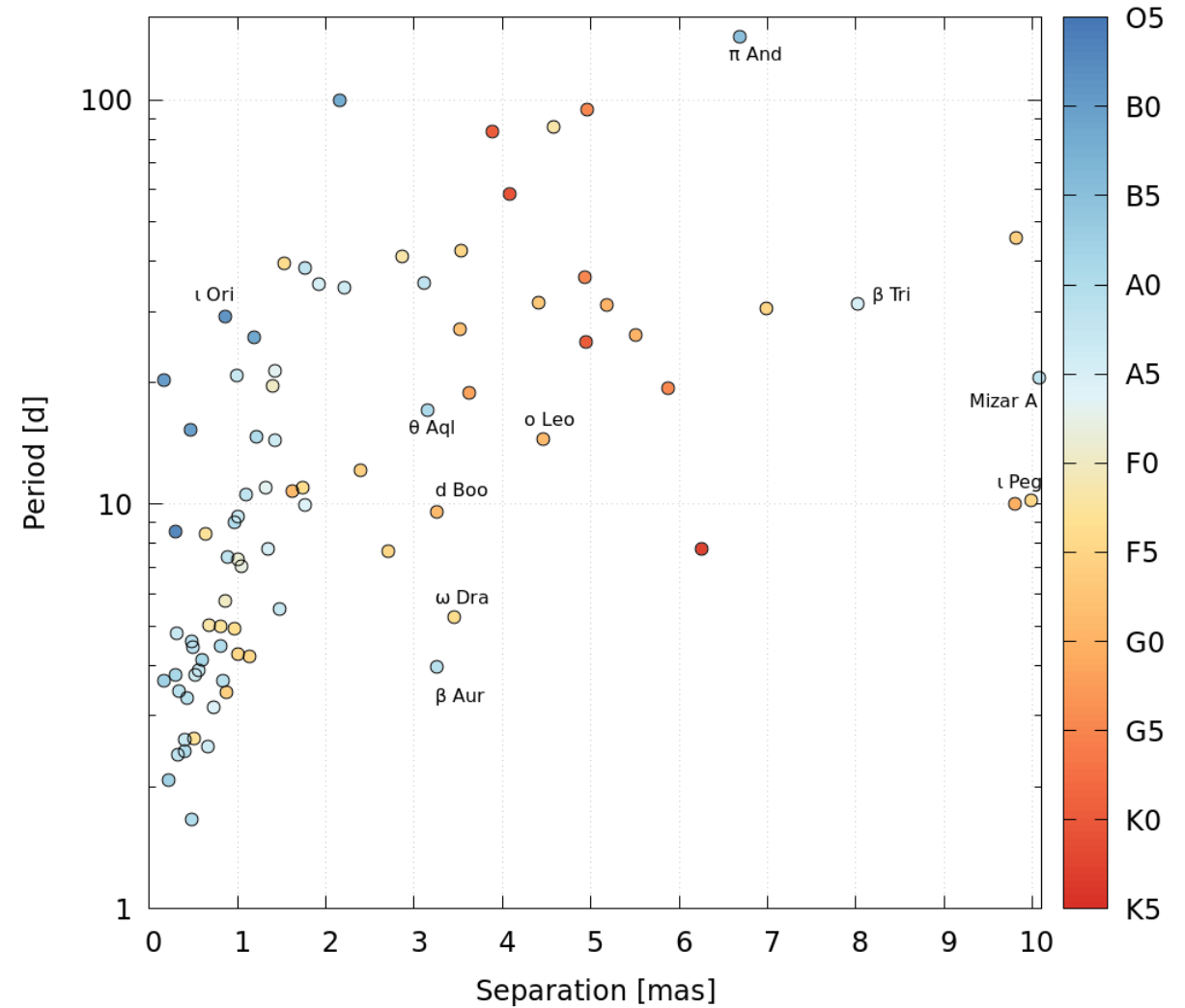
$$RV_j(t) = \gamma - (-1)^j K_j [\cos(\omega + v(t)) + e \cos(\omega)]$$

$$M_j \sin^3(i) = \frac{P}{2\pi G} \frac{K_1 K_2}{K_j} (K_1 + K_2)^2 \sqrt{(1 - e^2)^3}$$

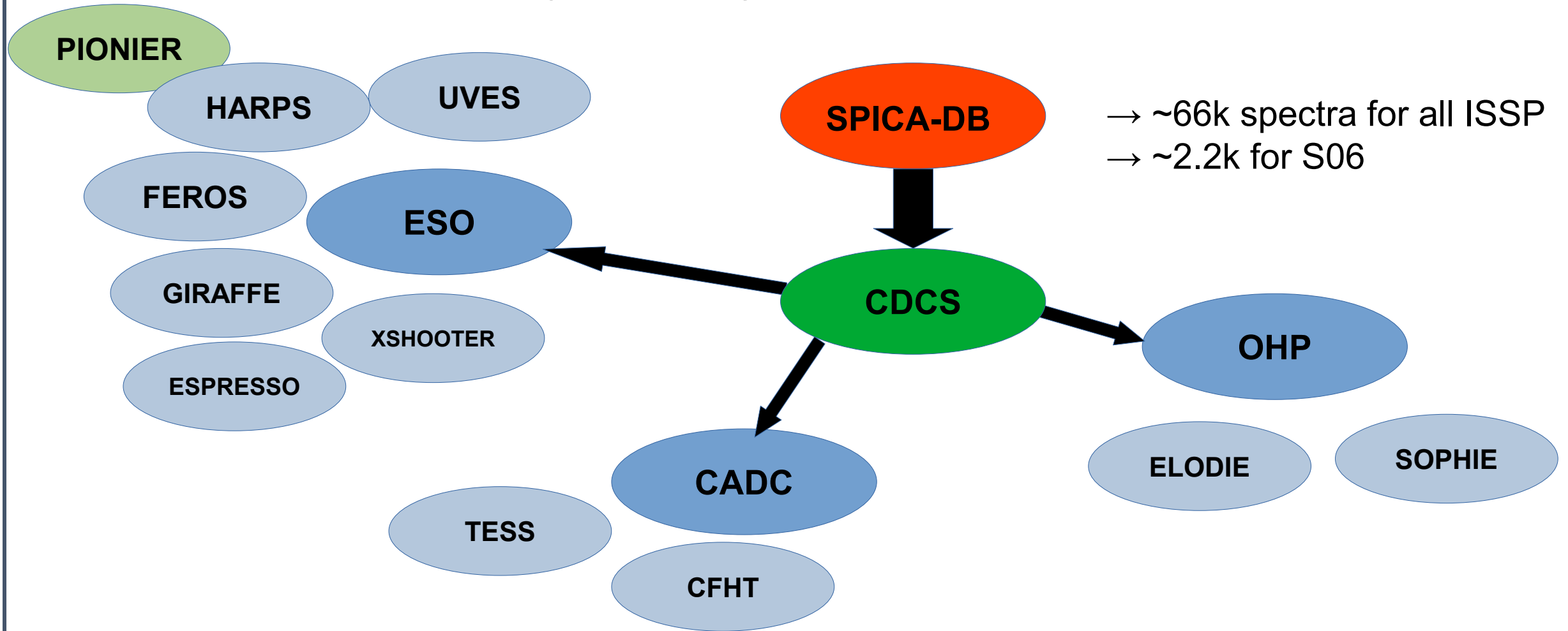
$$a \sin(i) = \frac{P}{2\pi} (K_1 + K_2) \sqrt{1 - e^2}$$

ISSP S06 Program

- Using IF + spectroscopy, measure masses for binaries across the HR diagram
- only
 - detached non-interacting SB2s
 - non-variable components
- $V < 8^{\text{mag}}$
- $\text{DEC} > -30^\circ$
- $f > 6\%$
- $\alpha \in [0.15, \sim 10] \text{ mas}$
- $\alpha/\theta_1 \in [2.5, 50]$

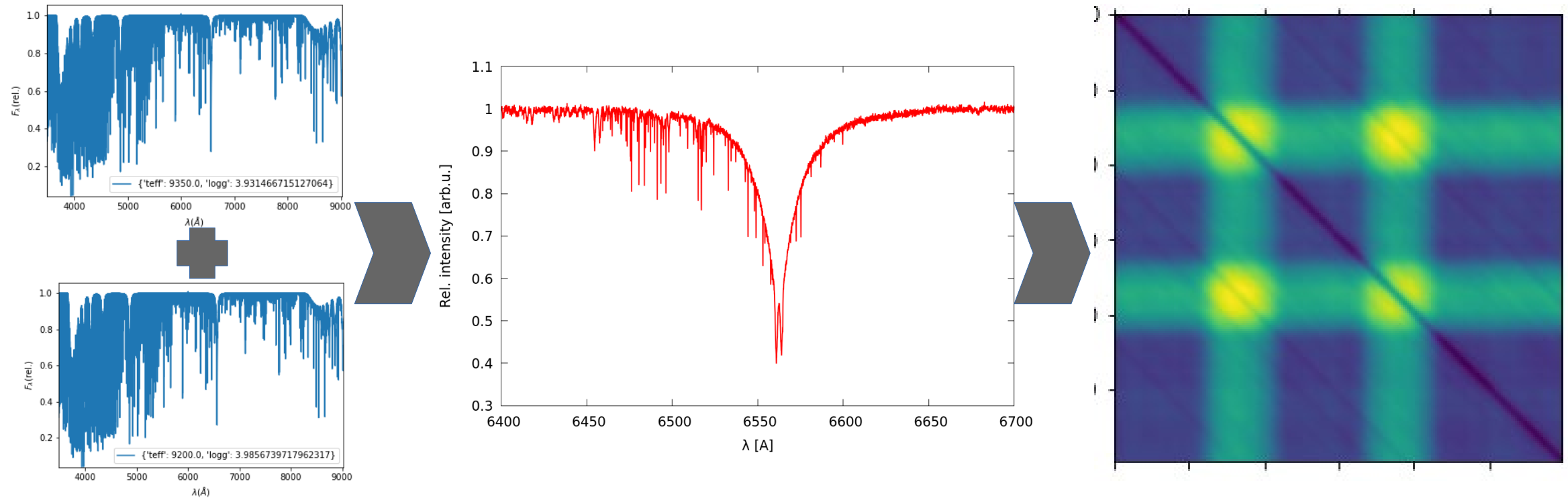


SPICA Complementary Data Collection Software



Measuring radial velocities

- TODCOR algorithm (Zucker & Mazeh 1994; Zucker+ 2003)
- Interpolation within synthetic grid (Nemravová+ 2016)

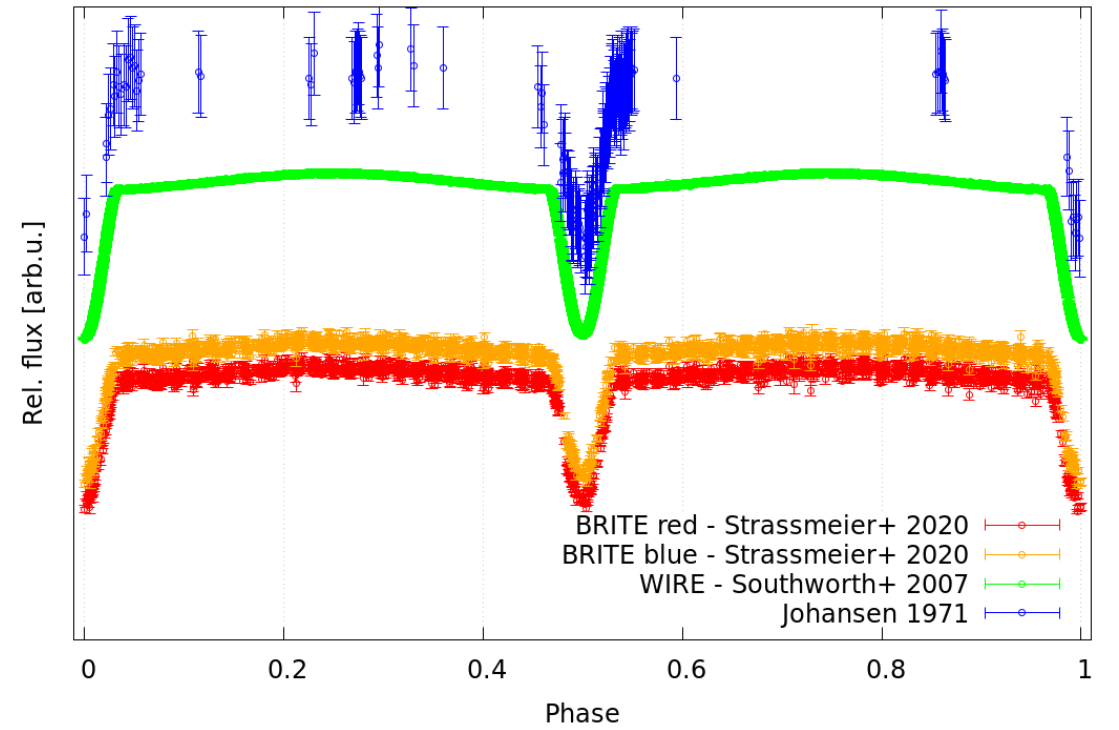
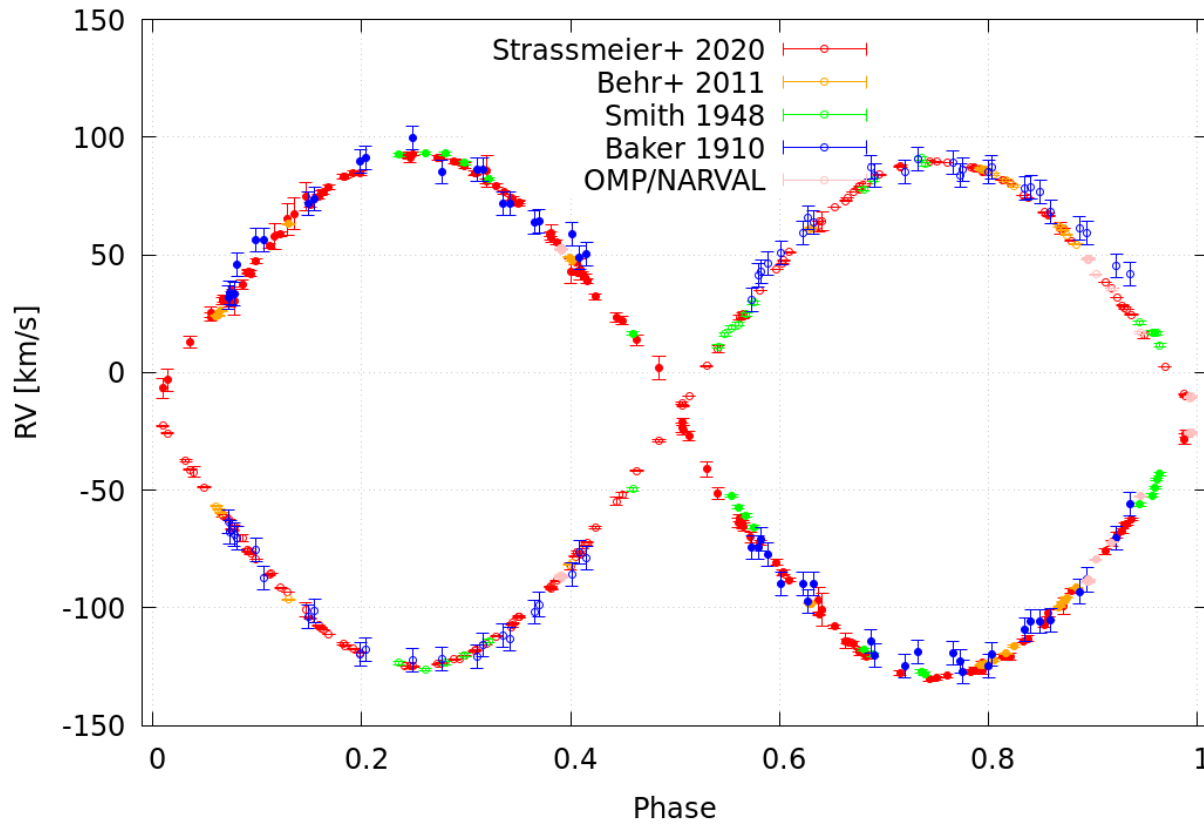


β Aurigae / Menkalinan

- One of the brightest and nearest evolved A-type binaries
- Second discovered spectroscopic binary (Maury 1890)
- Among first eclipsing binaries (Stebbins 1911)
- Two early A-type evolved metallic stars
- V 1.9^{mag}, P 3.96 d

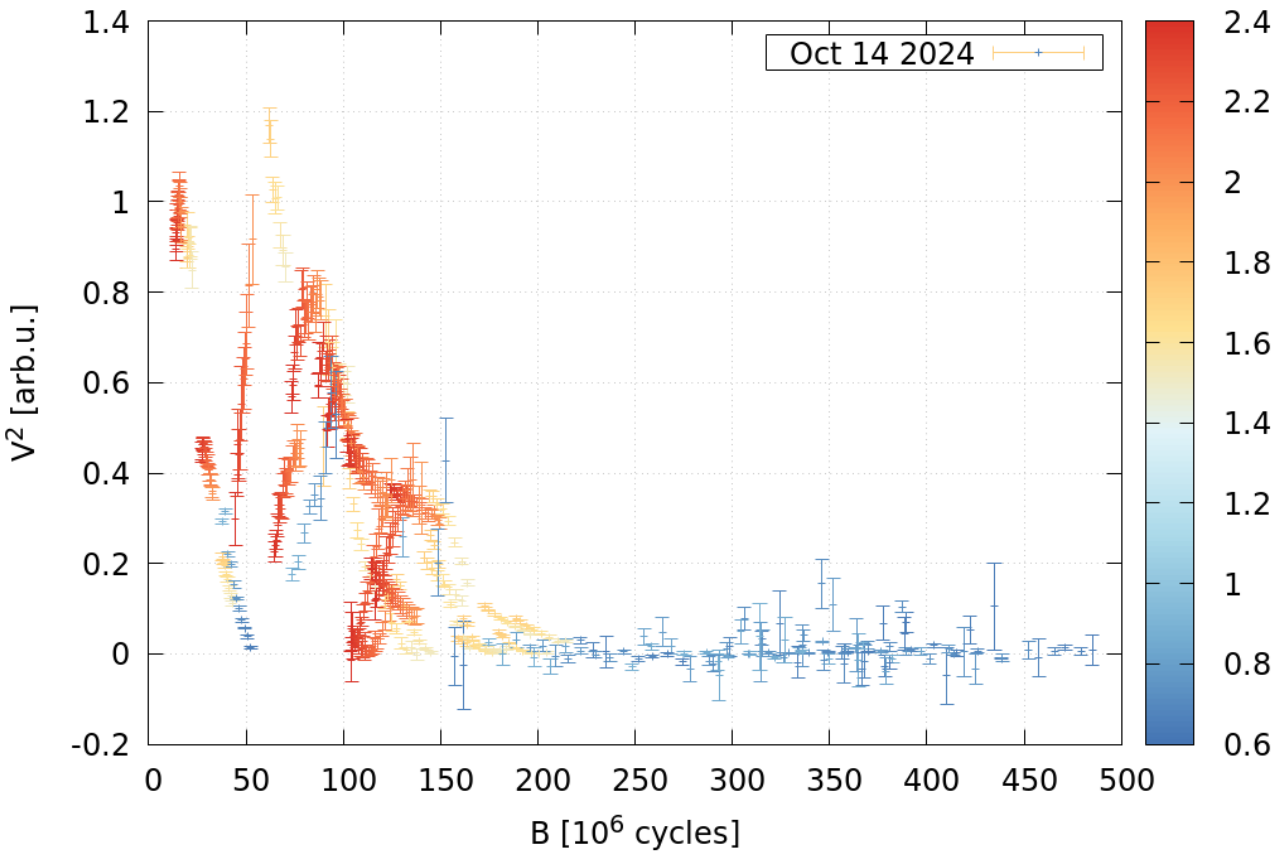


(Stellarium)



Observation journal

SPICA+MIRC-X+MYSTIC		MIRC
15 Oct 2023	2	07 Dec 2012
11 Nov 2023		26 Oct 2014
13 Nov 2023		27 Oct 2014
14 Oct 2024		28 Oct 2014
31 Oct 2024	2	29 Oct 2014
16 Dec 2024	2	30 Oct 2014
		31 Oct 2014
		21 Oct 2016
		22 Oct 2016



OIModeler

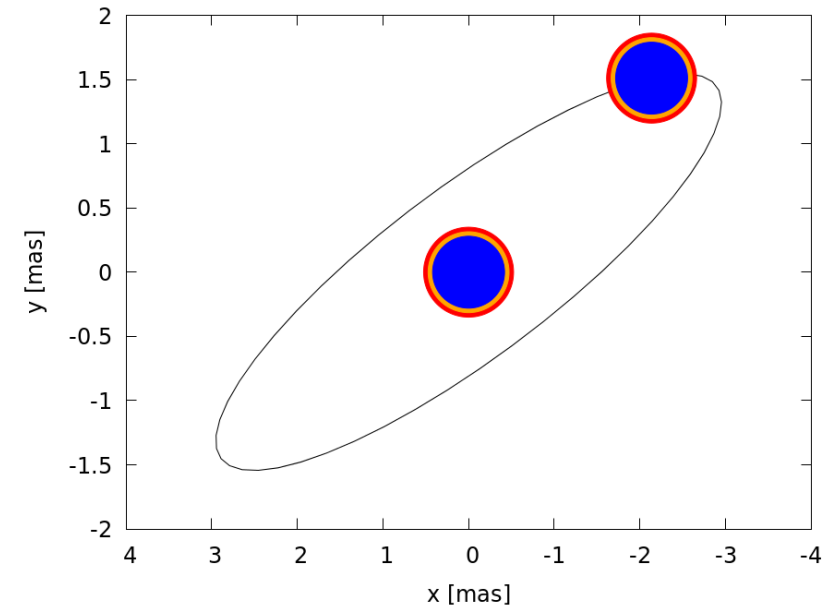
- Python code (Meilland+ 2024) for modeling of interferometric data
- Model:
 - Two disks (θ_1, θ_2)
 - Position (x, y) (n)
 - Flux weight $f(\lambda)$ (3) – ‘nearest’ interpolation
 - Chromatic scaling $c(\lambda; T, \log g)$ - fixed
 - Linear LD coefficients u

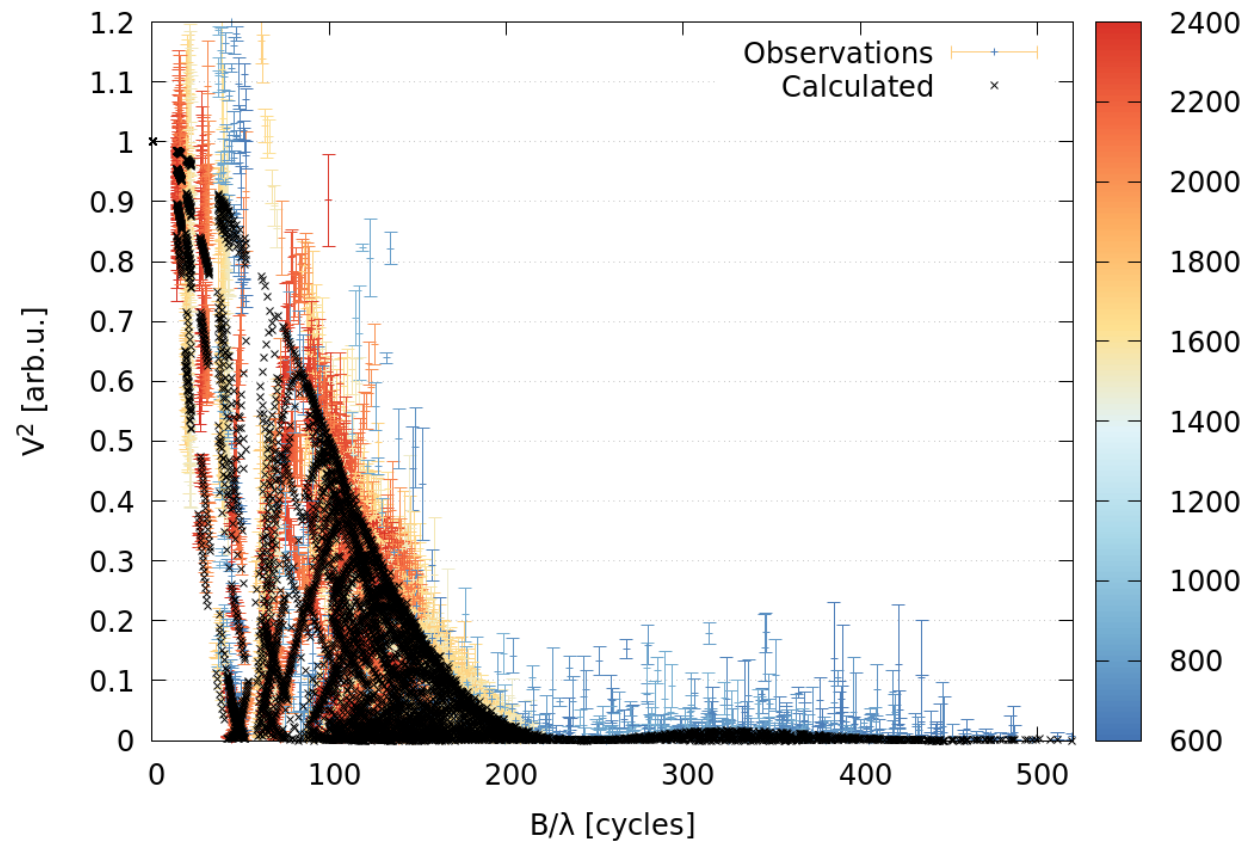
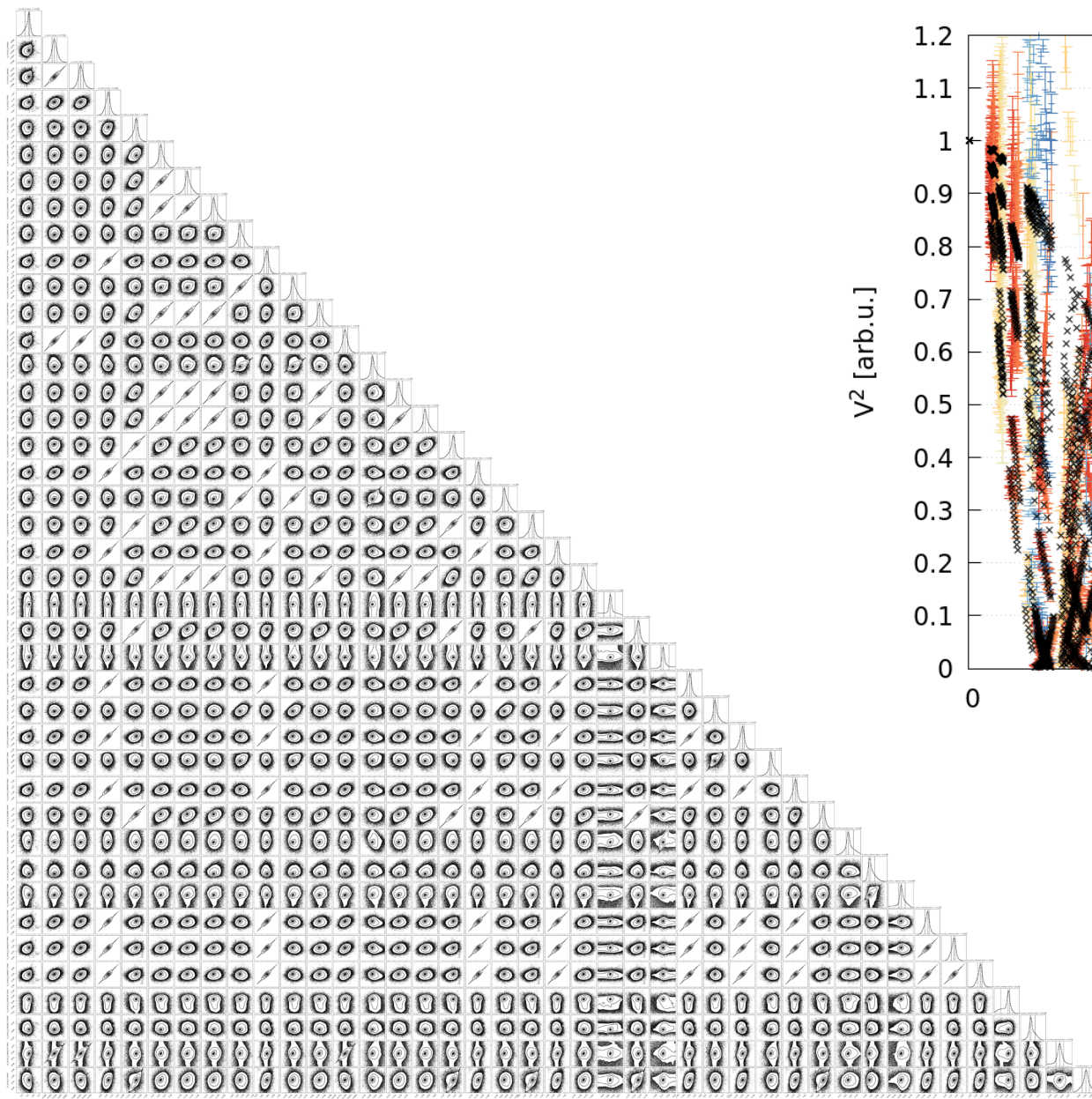
$$V^2 = \frac{1}{(1+f)^2} \left| \frac{2J_1\left(\pi \sqrt{u^2 + v^2} c\theta_1\right)}{\pi \sqrt{u^2 + v^2} c\theta_1} + f \frac{2J_1\left(\pi \sqrt{u^2 + v^2} c\theta_2\right)}{\pi \sqrt{u^2 + v^2} c\theta_2} \exp[-2\pi i(ux + vy)] \right|^2$$

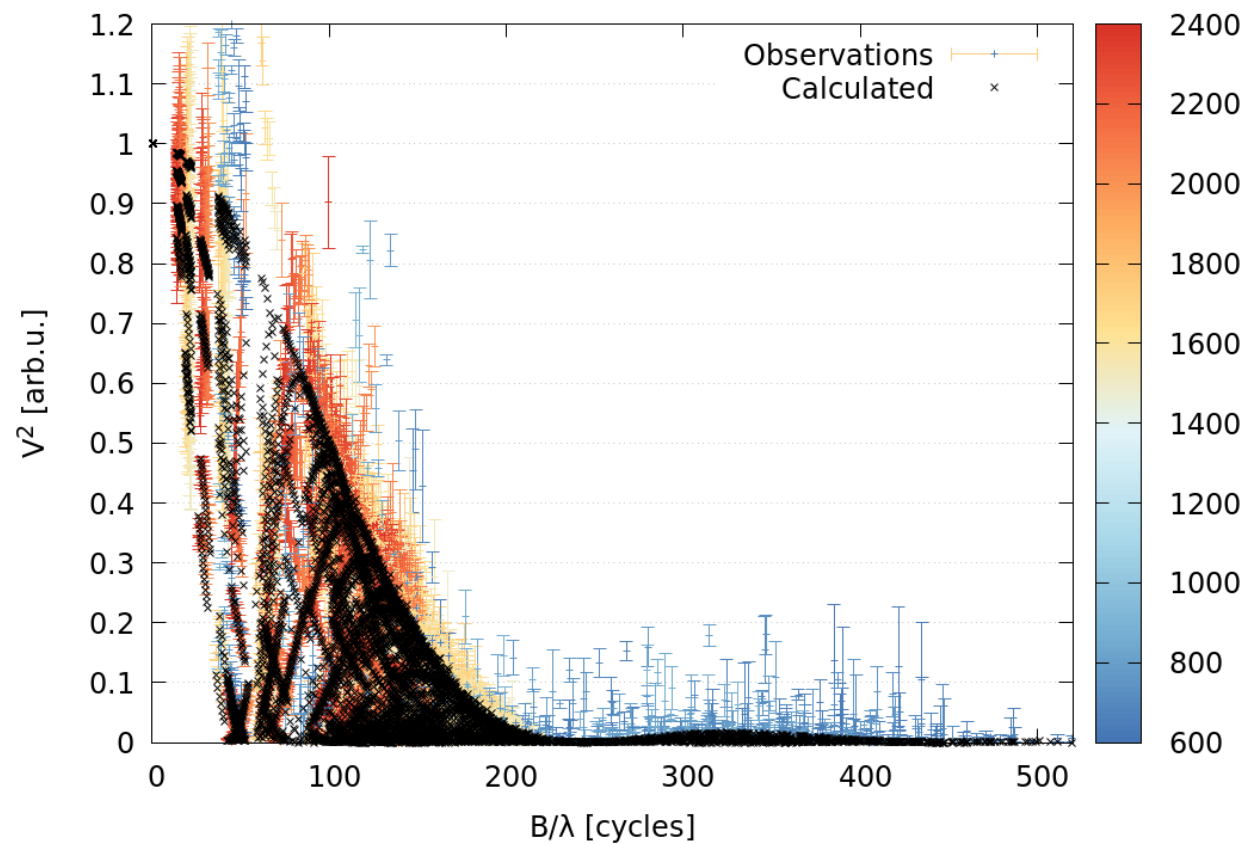
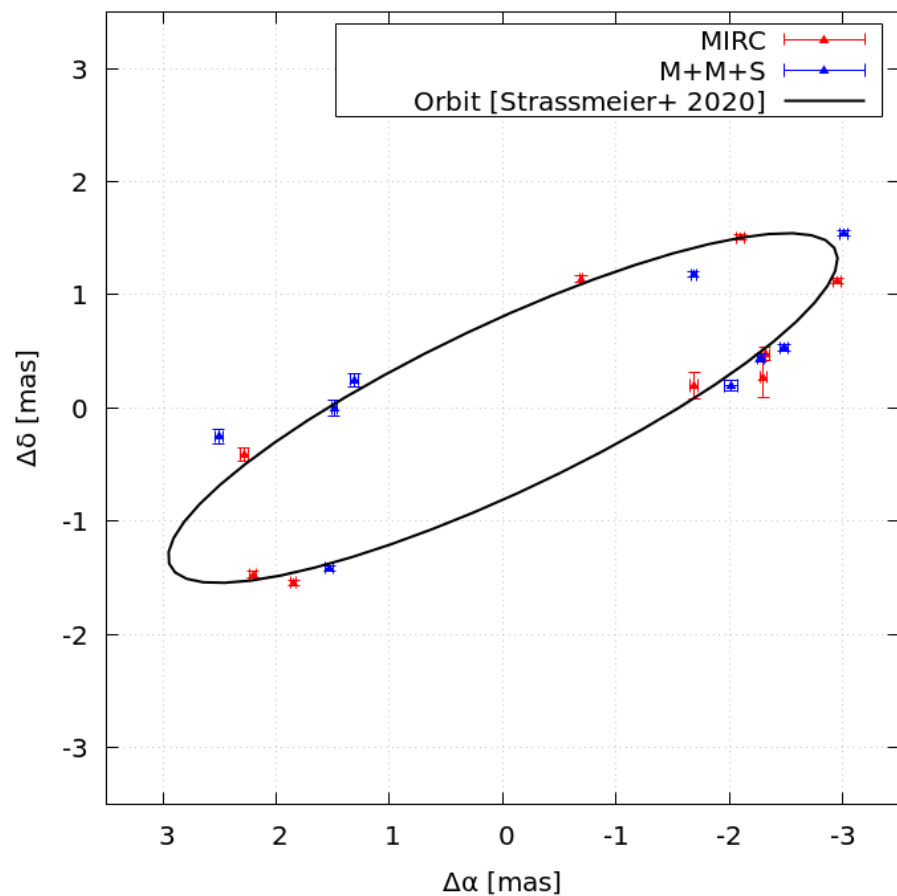


$$\theta = \frac{UD(\lambda)}{c(\lambda)} \quad c(\lambda) = \sqrt{\frac{15 - 7u_\lambda}{15 - 5u_\lambda}}$$

(Hanbury Brown 1974)







θ_1 1.12(6) mas

θ_2 1.02(2) mas

FW_R 0.51(4)

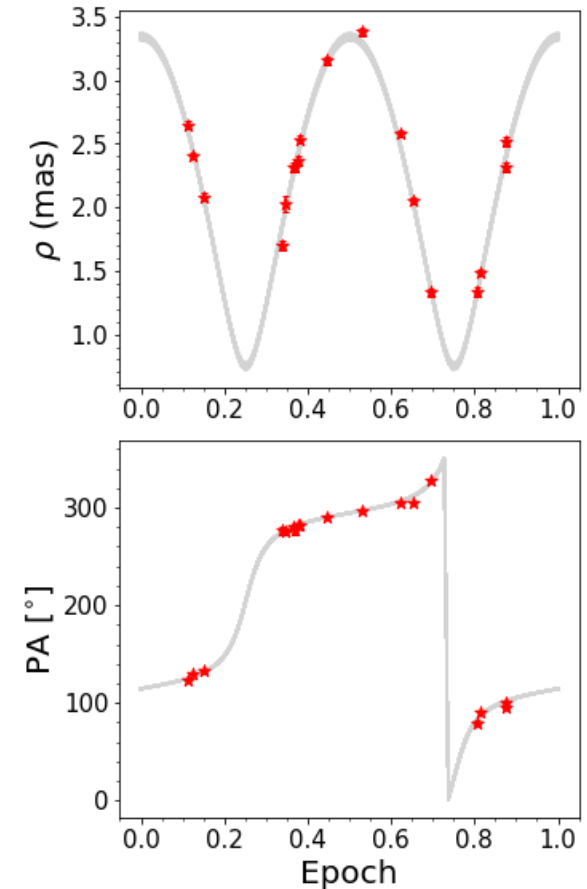
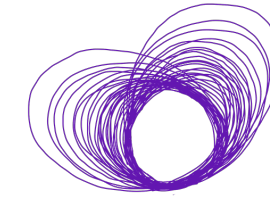
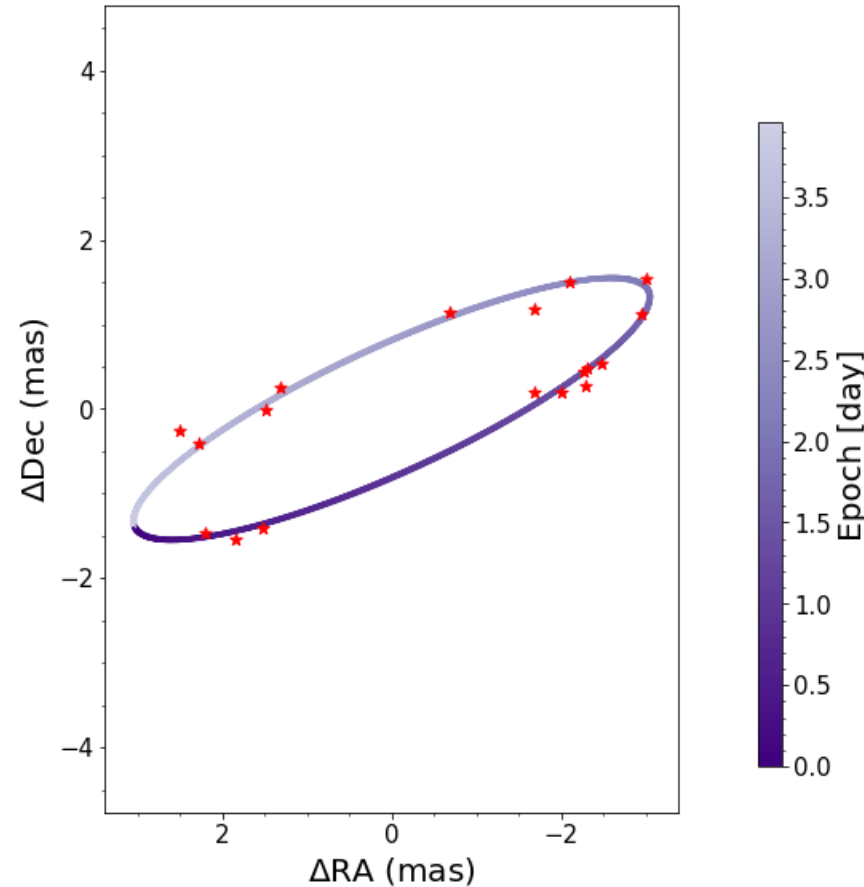
FW_H 0.550(15)

FW_K 0.534(15)

orbitize!

- Orbit-fitting software (Blunt+ 2020)
- Designed for fitting exoplanets
- Result positions from OIModeler
→ orbital elements

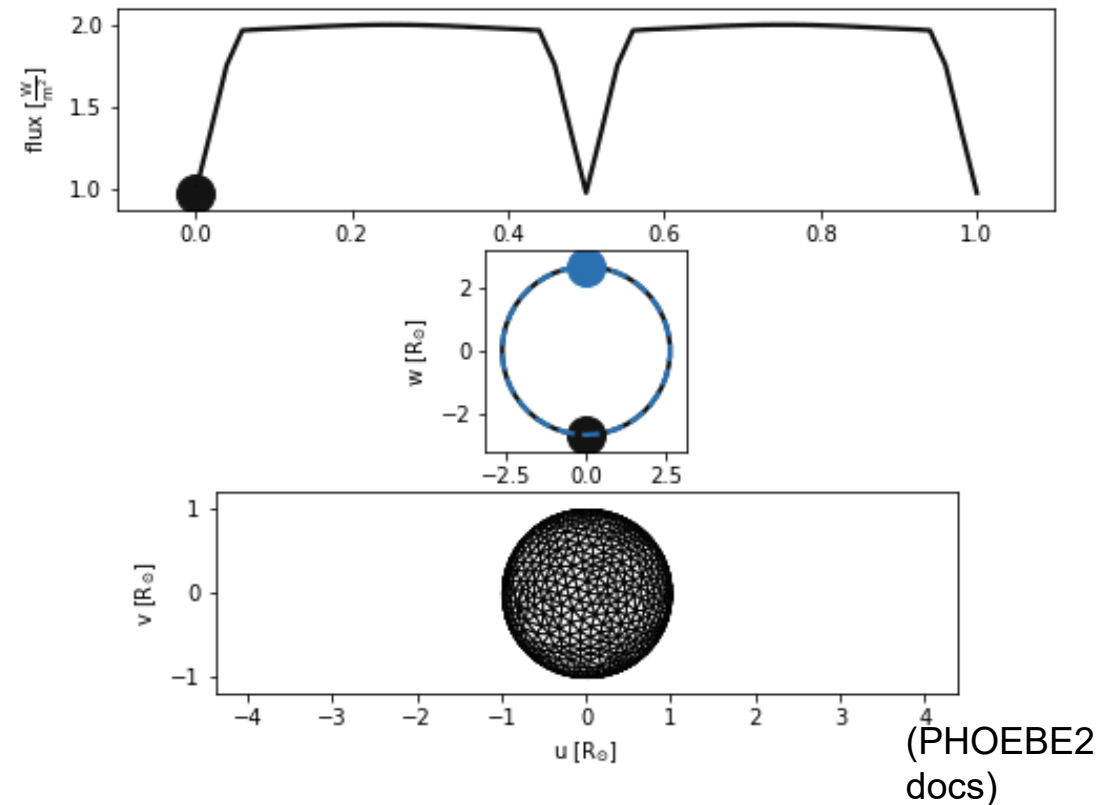
a 0.0820(16) au
i 70(2) $^{\circ}$
 Ω_N 294.6(2) $^{\circ}$
 τ 0.5018(5)
 π 40.82(16) mas
 M_{tot} 4.69(3) M_S

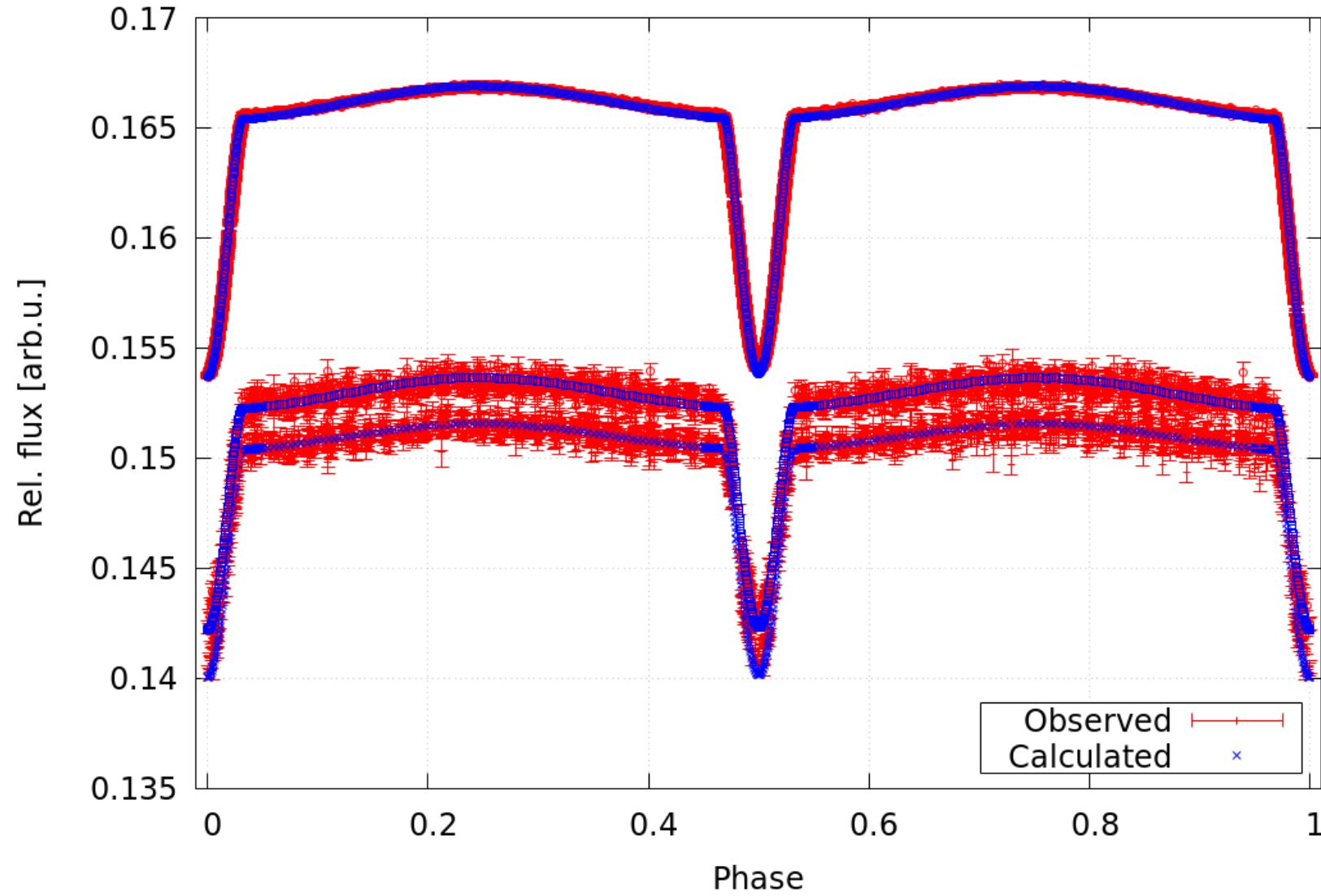


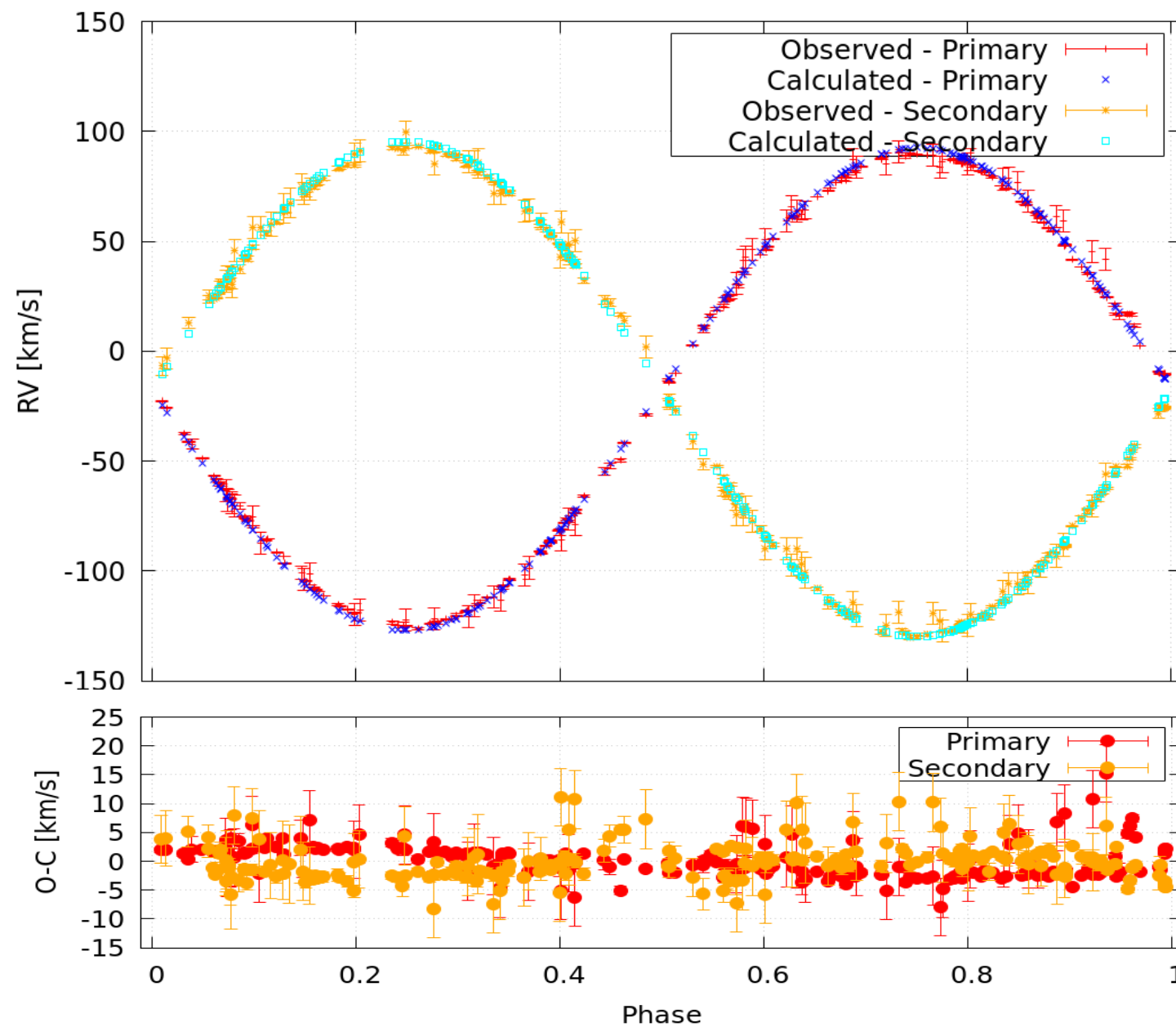


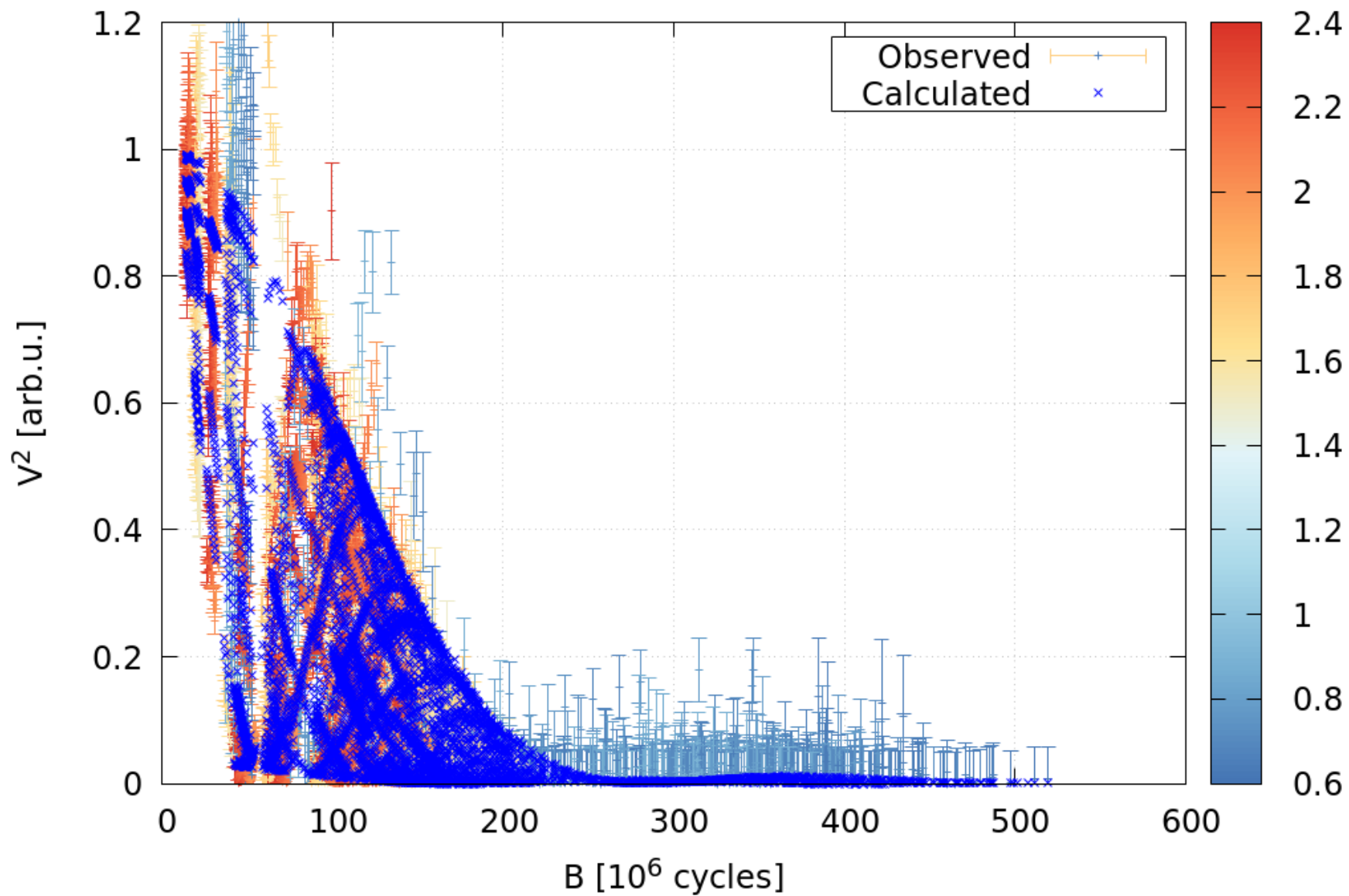
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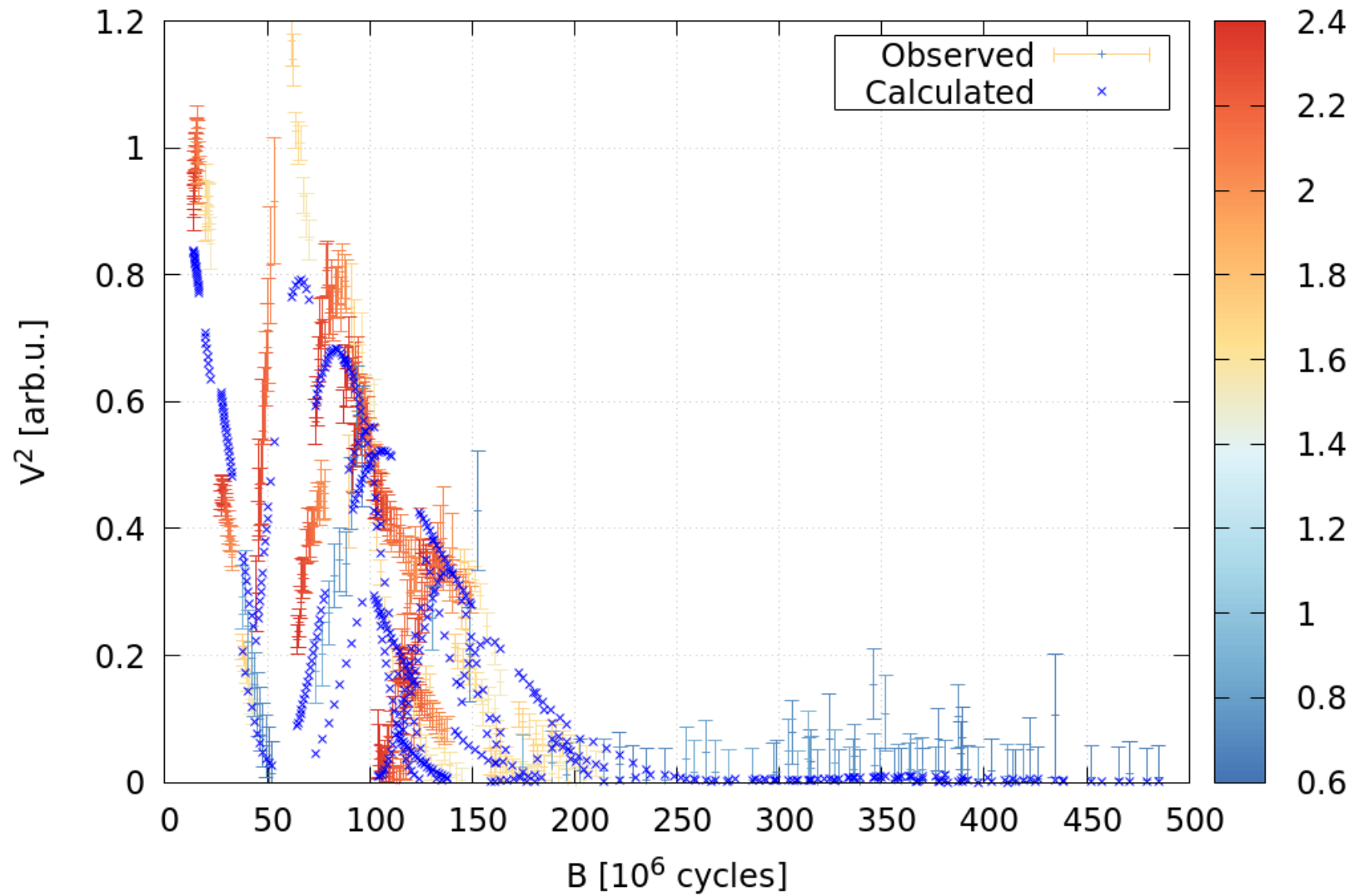
- Python-based modelling tool (Prša+ 2016)
- Surface of the stars modeled as a mesh of triangles
- Simultaneous solution of $RV + LC + V^2 + CP$
- Scheduled for v1.5 (Brož+ 2025, accepted)











Conclusions

- Simultaneous multi-band & multi-epoch fitting of SPICA MIRC/MIRC-X and MYSTIC data
 - Following Monday discussion, perhaps a revisit to M&M data is required for systematic V^2 shift
- More work is required for simultaneous modeling of RV, LC and IF
 - Though hoping that understanding the current issues will help in a quicker solution for future targets
- Observations separate from the ISSP:
 - VLT/PIONIER – 115.28F2
 - NOIRLab CHARA/MIRC-X + MYSTIC 2025A/198989