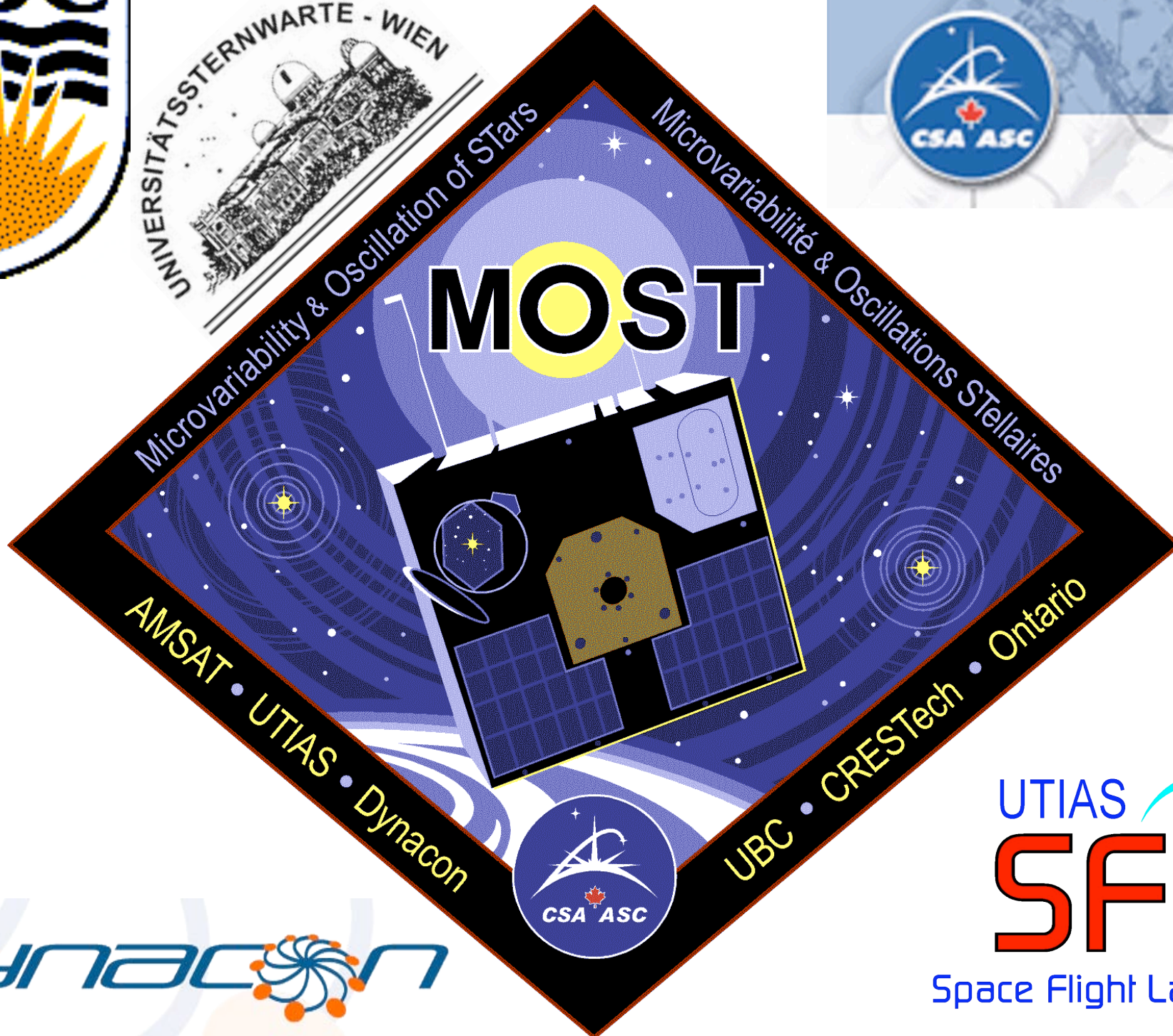




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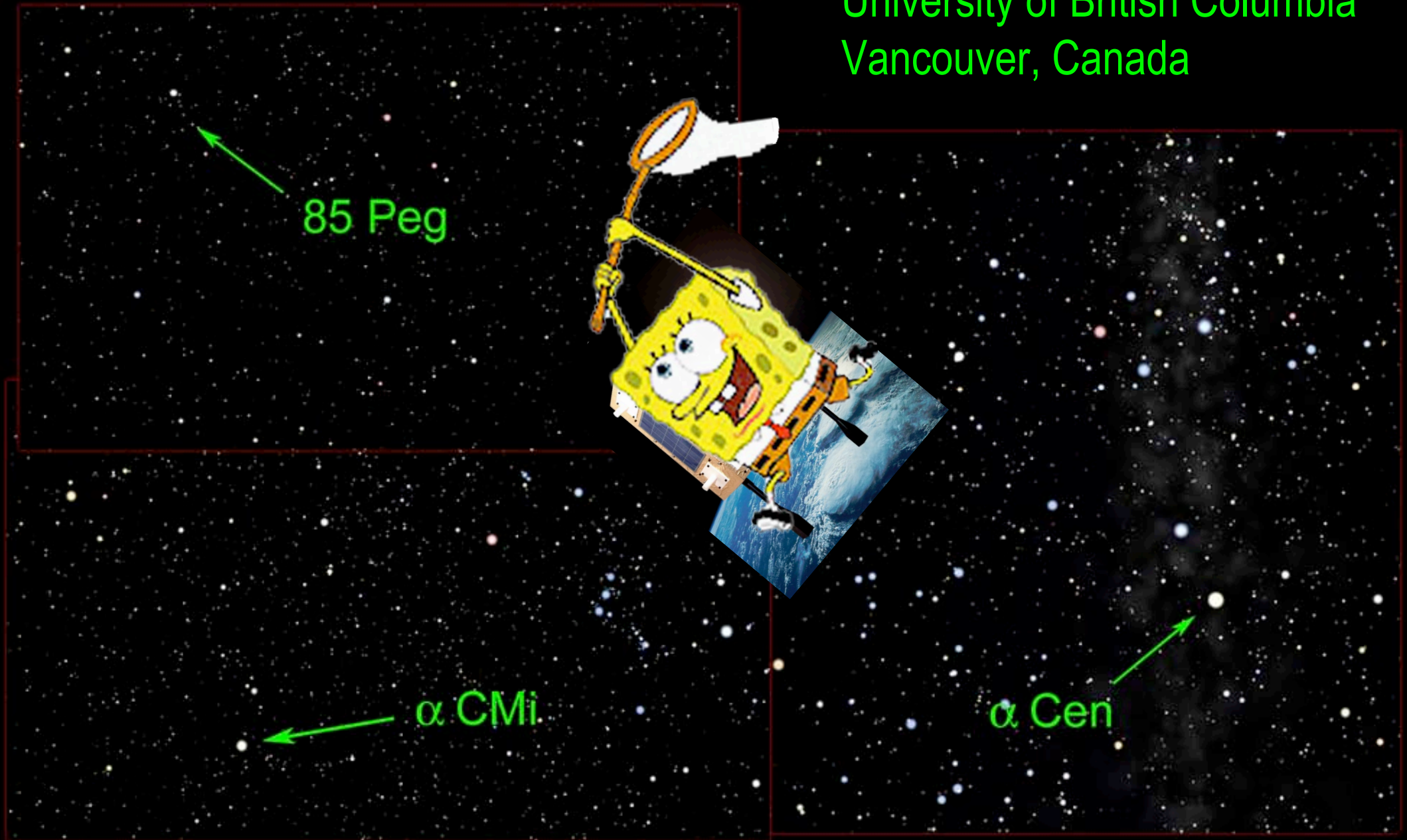


The MOST data pipeline:

Lessons for Kepler?

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Observing modes

✓ *Fabry Imaging*

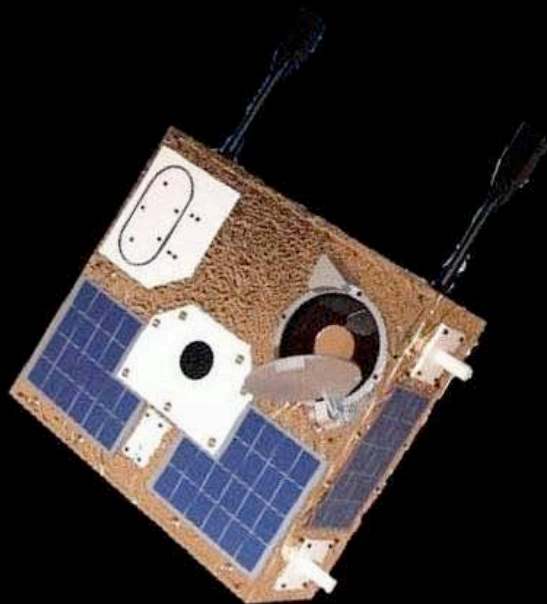
Targets: $0 < V < 6$

Pupil image:

~ 1500 pixels

fixed to < 0.01 pixel

60 pixels



Observing modes

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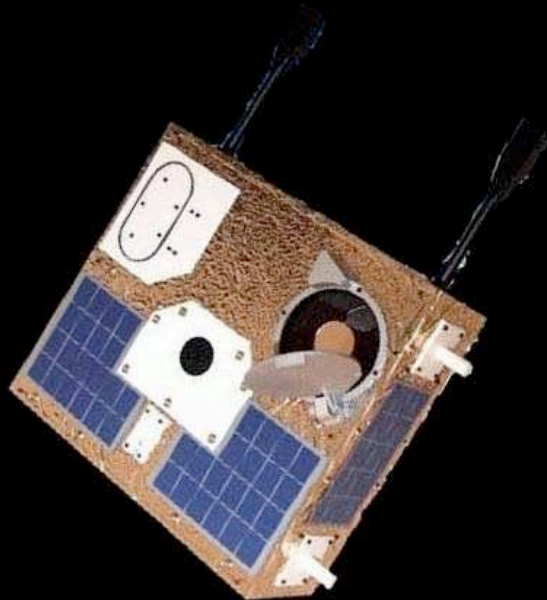
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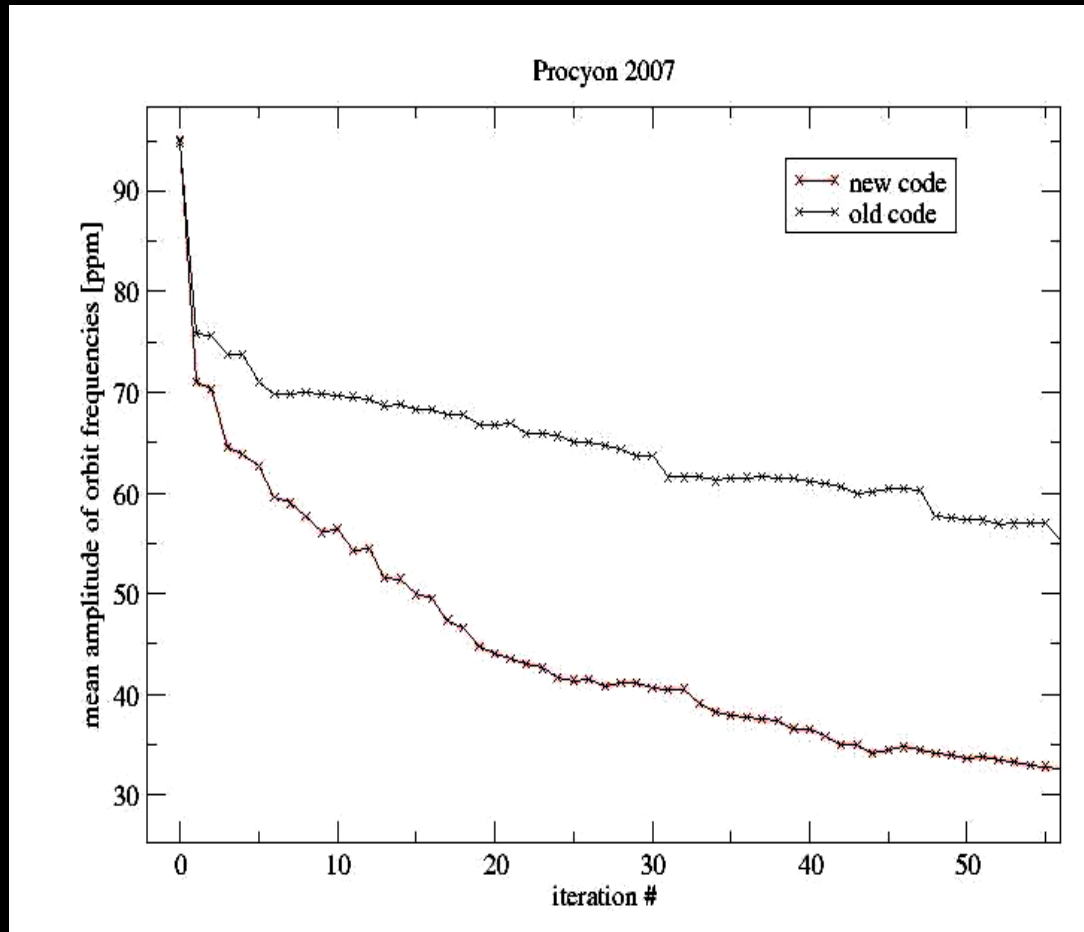
60 pixels



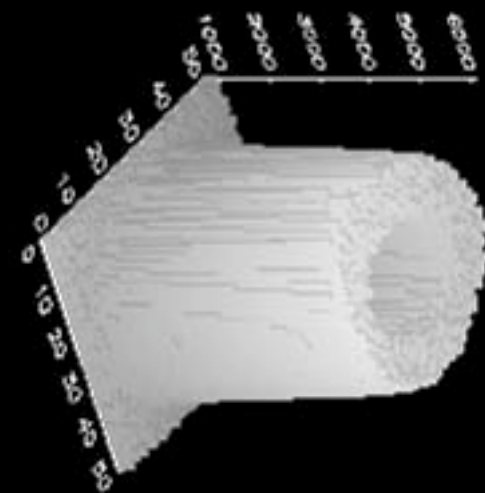
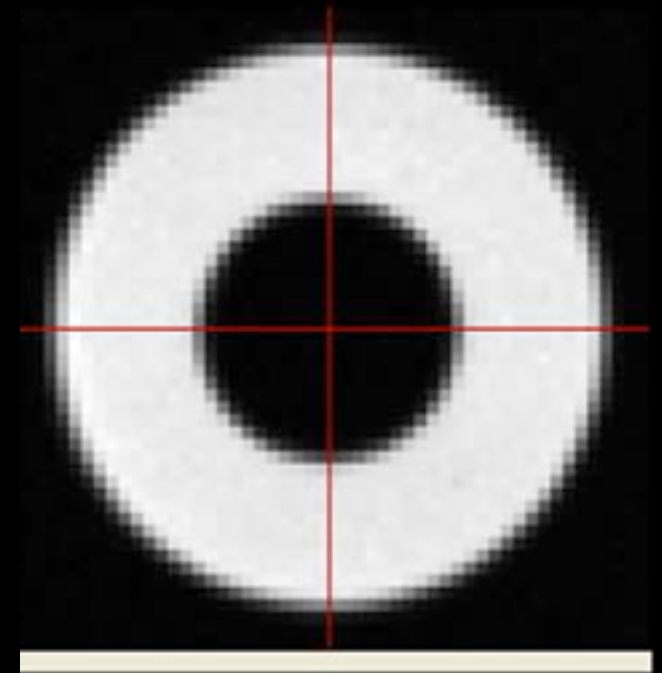
- decorrelation of Target and Background pixels
 - *Reegen et al 2006, MNRAS*
- very effective removal of stray light artifacts at the expense of slightly increased Poisson noise
- improved artifact identification
 - *Kallinger, Guenther, Matthews et al. 2007, CoAst*

Observing modes

✓ *Fabry Imaging*



*Decorrelation of target
and background pixels*



Observing modes

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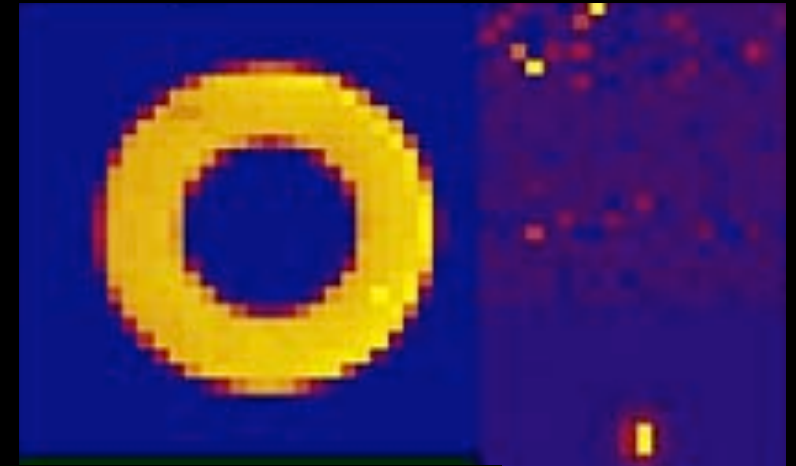
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✓ *Direct Imaging*

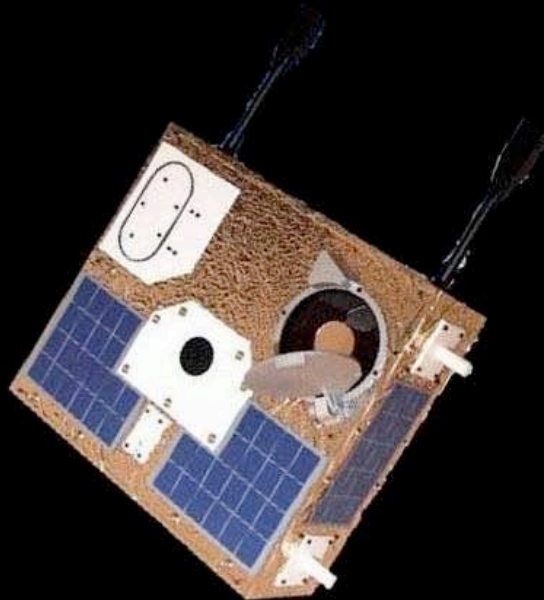
Targets: $6 < V < 13$

PSF FWHM:

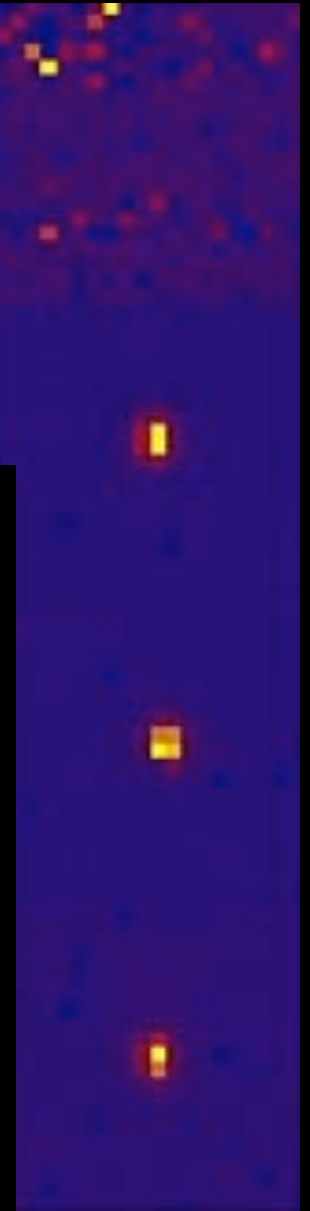
~ 2.2 pixels

pointing stable to $\sim 1/3$ pix

20 pixels



20 pixels



Observing modes

✓ *Guide Star photometry*

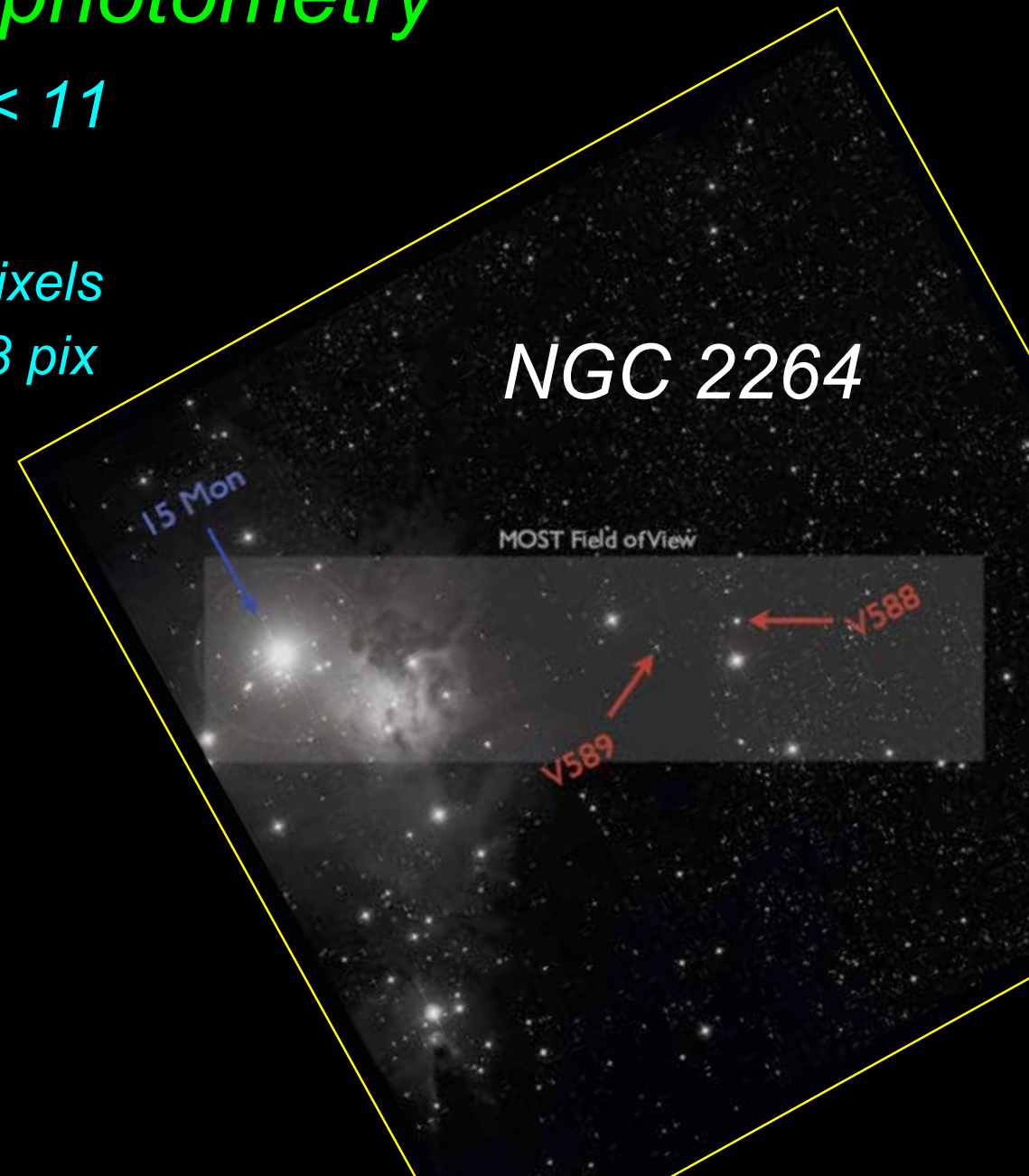
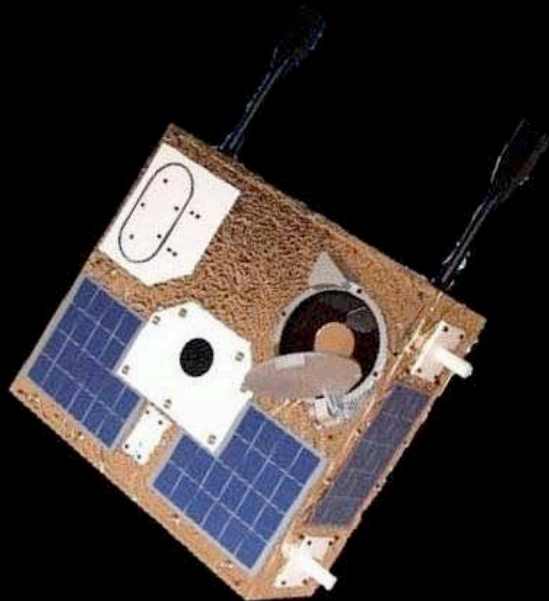
Targets: $8 < V < 11$

PSF FWHM:

~ 2.2 pixels

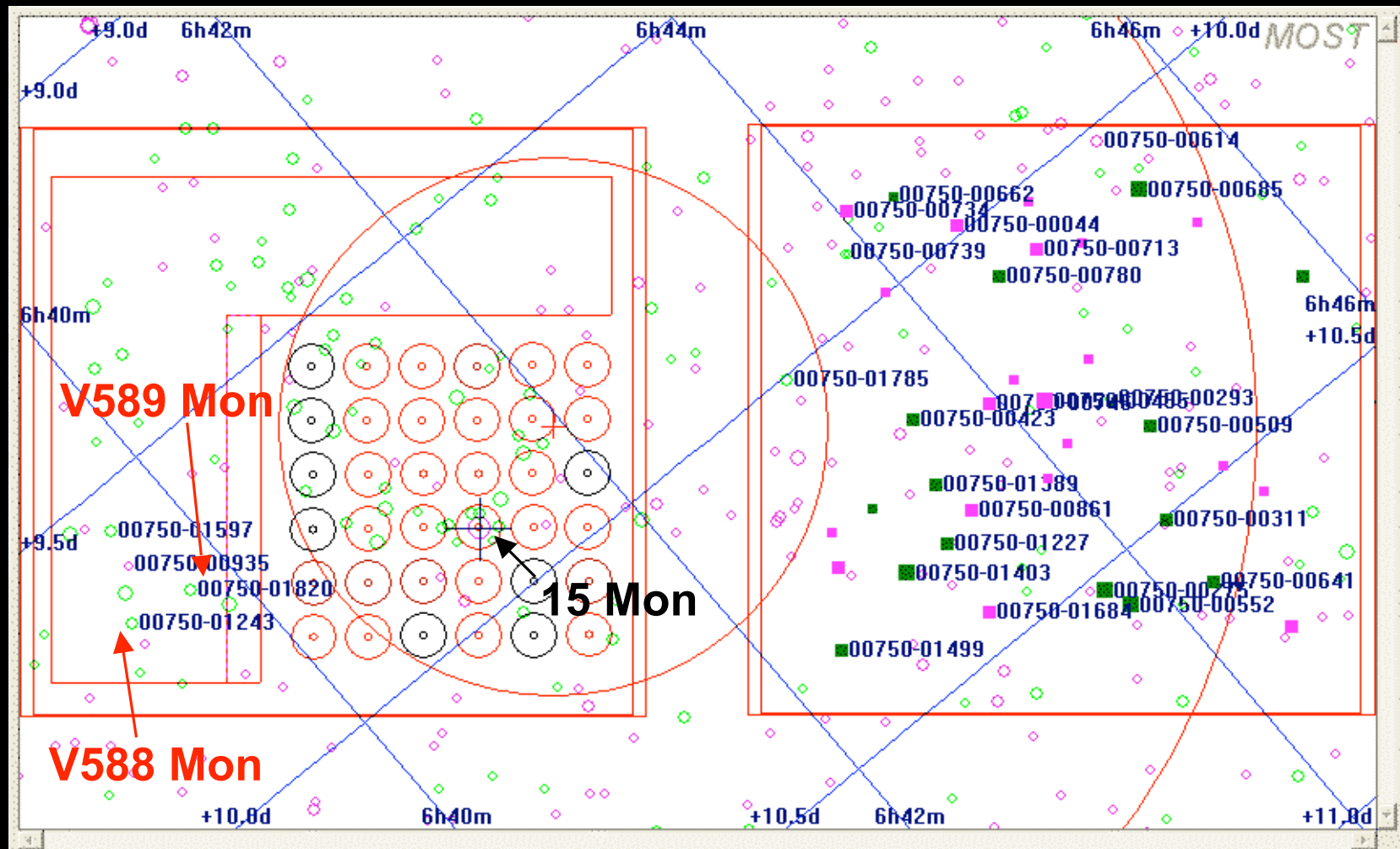
pointing stable to $\sim 1/3$ pix

*reduced on board
automatically*



Observing modes

✓ Guide Star photometry



Photometry of up to 30-50 stars

NGC 2264

Photometric reductions

✓ *Direct Imaging*

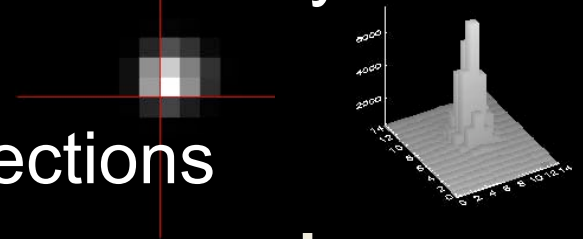
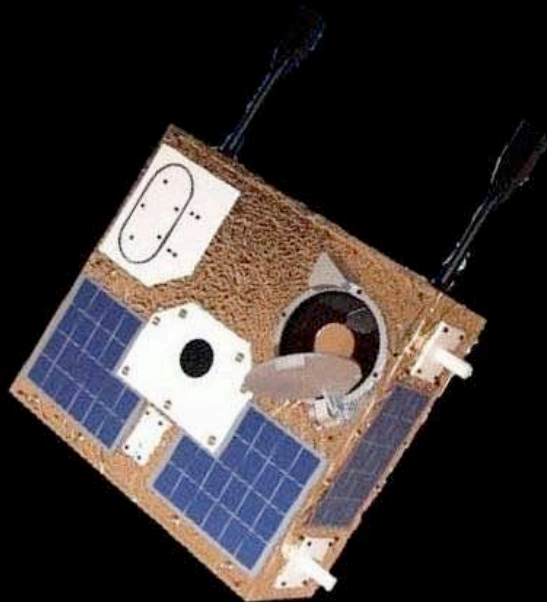
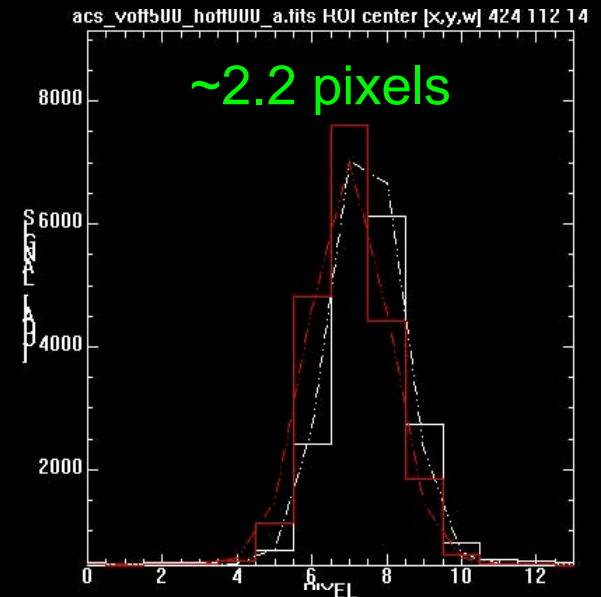
Targets: $6 < V < 13$

PSF FWHM:

~ 2.2 pixels

pointing stable to $\sim 1/3$ pix

- PSF & aperture photometry
- image stacking
- background corrections



Photometric reductions

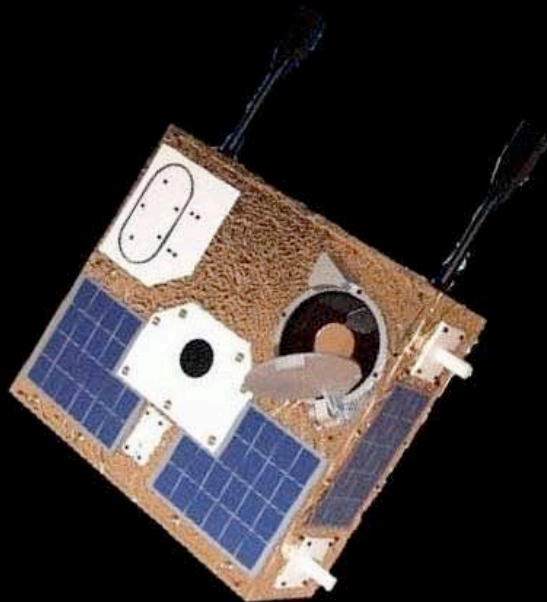
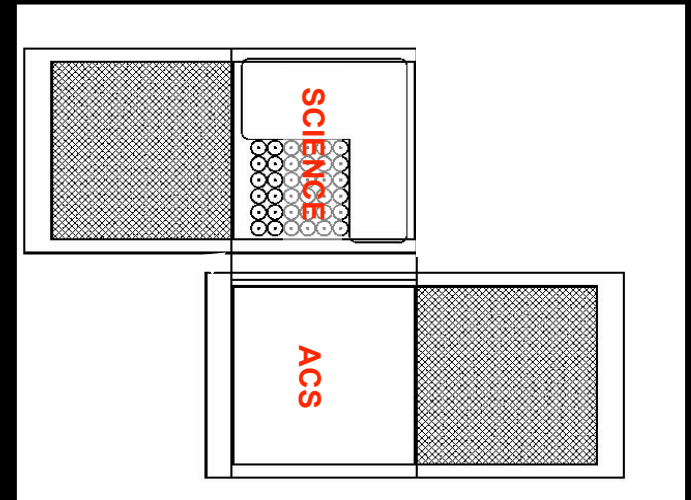
✓ *Direct Imaging*

Targets: $6 < V < 13$

PSF FWHM:

~ 2.5 pixels

pointing stable to $\sim 1/3$ pix



- PSF & aperture photometry
- image stacking
- background corrections
- crosstalk between CCDs
 - *no longer an issue since we operate now only with Science CCD*
- no calibration source
 - *scattered Earthshine at certain seasons allows us to flatfield*

Photometric reductions

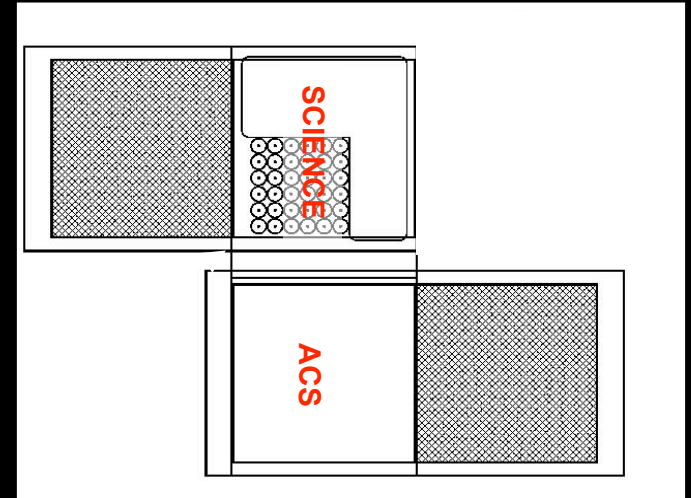
✓ *Direct Imaging*

Targets: $6 < V < 13$

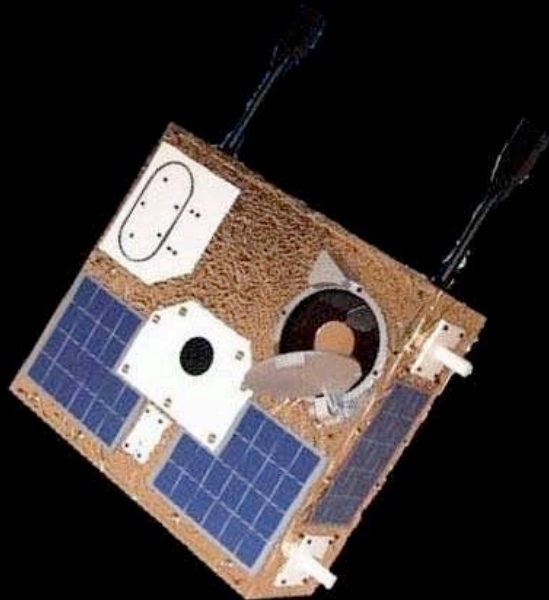
PSF FWHM:

~ 2.5 pixels

pointing stable to $\sim 1/3$ pix



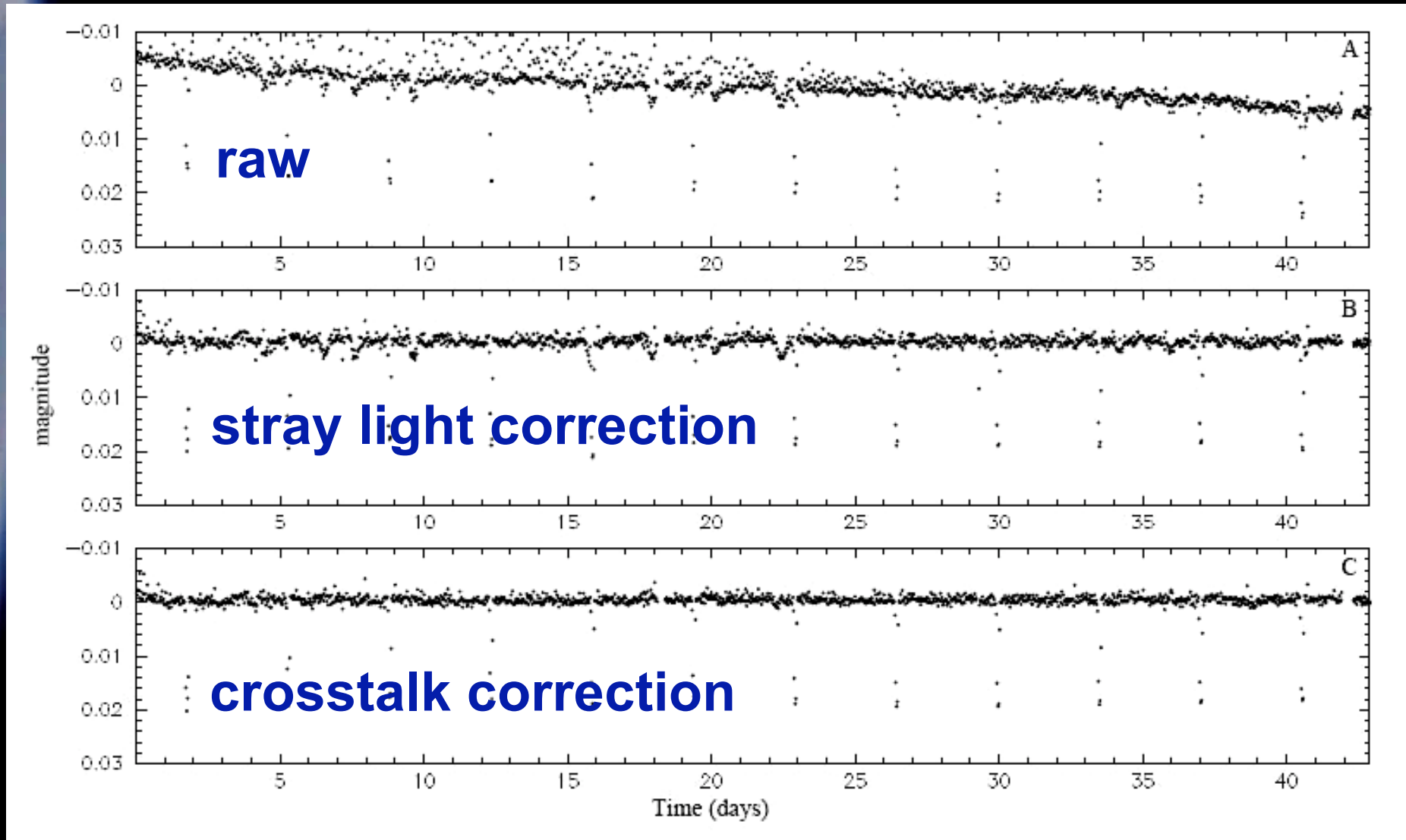
- reduction pipeline results in point-to-point precision within $\sim 10\%$ of Poisson noise limit



Photometric reductions

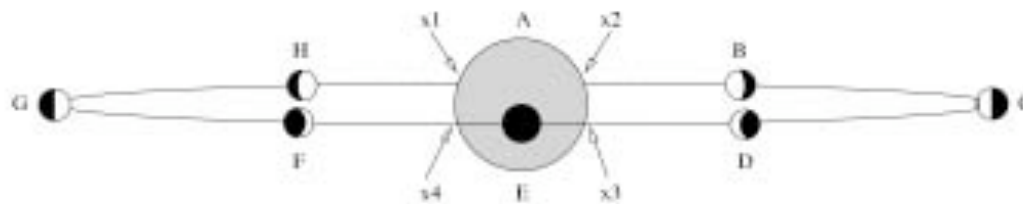
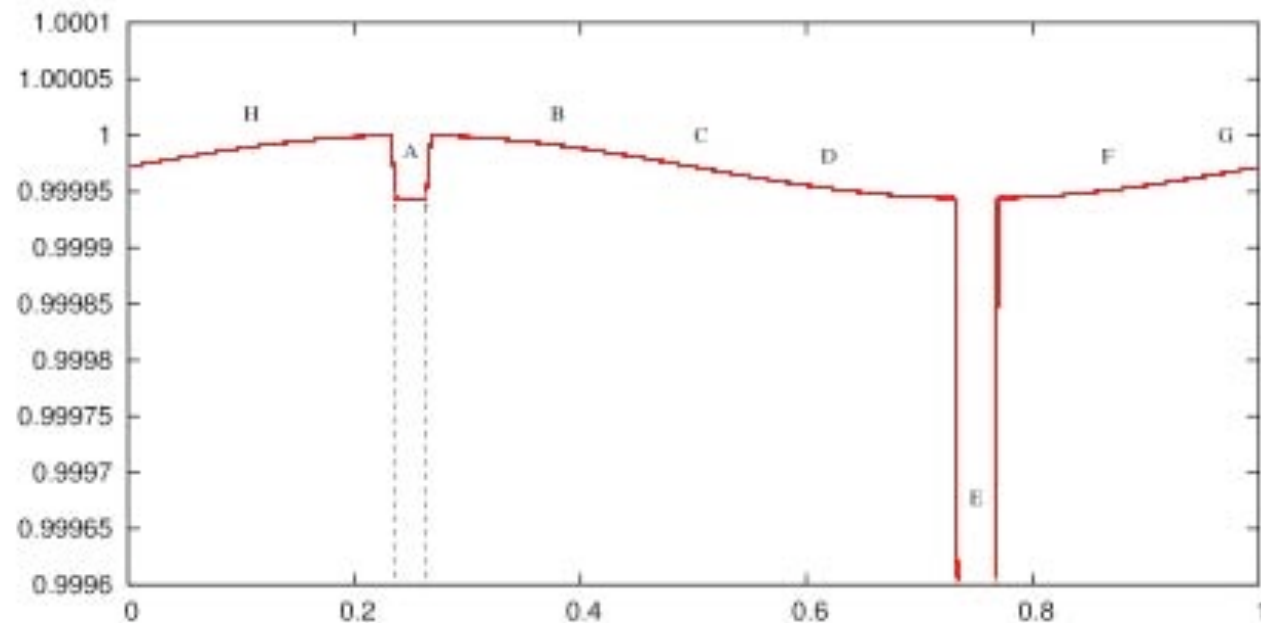
✓ *Direct Imaging*

HD 209458 $V \sim 7.5$
40-min bins



Light curve modeling

✓ *Direct Imaging* HD 209458 $V \sim 7.5$



Light curve modeling

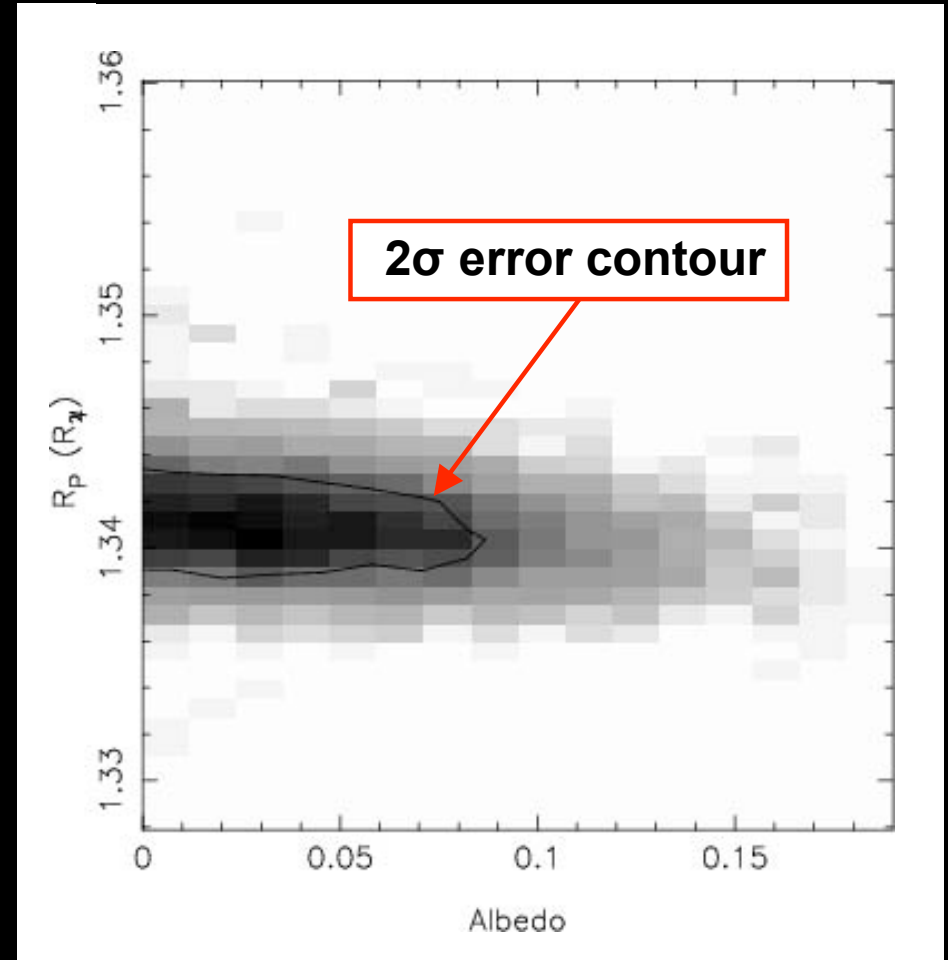
HD 209458 $V \sim 7.5$

✓ *Direct Imaging*

- Best fit:
- *albedo* : 0.04 ± 0.04



Radius (Jupiter)



Geometric Albedo

Light curve modeling

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✓ *Direct Imaging*

➤ Best fit:

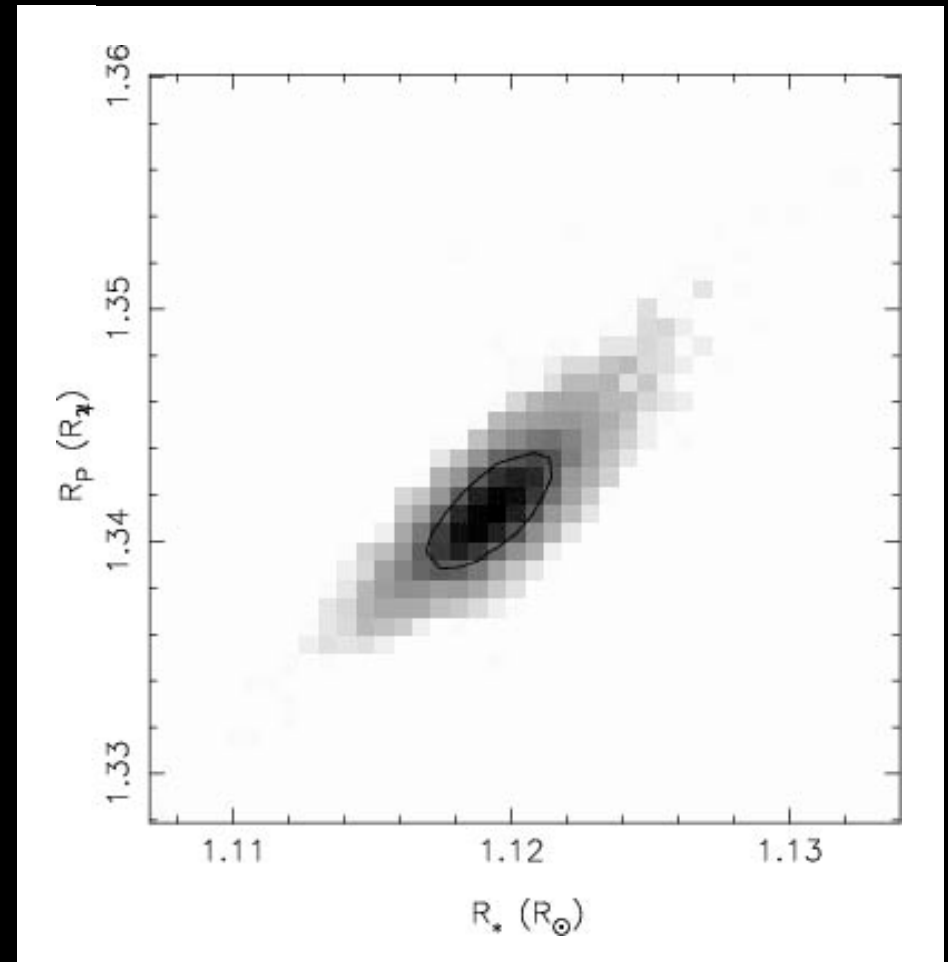
- *albedo* : 0.04 ± 0.04
- stellar radius :
 $1.339 \pm 0.001 R_{\text{Jup}}$
- stellar mass
 $1.084 \pm 0.005 M_{\text{Sun}}$

$$i = 86.937^\circ \pm 0.003^\circ$$

$$P = 3.5247489 \text{ d}$$

Rowe, Matthews et al. 2007
ApJ, submitted

Planet radius



Stellar radius

Photometric reductions

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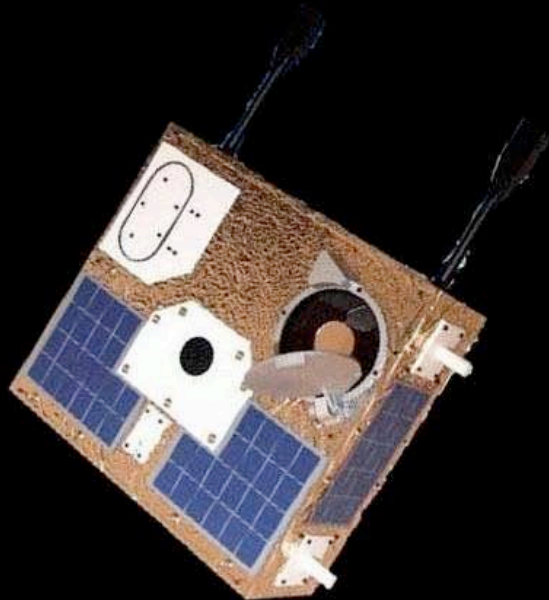
- UBC
- Vienna
- U Toronto (DDO)

✓ *Fabry Imaging*

- Vienna
- UBC

Parallel independent reduction streams

Convergence towards standardised pipelines



Photometric reductions

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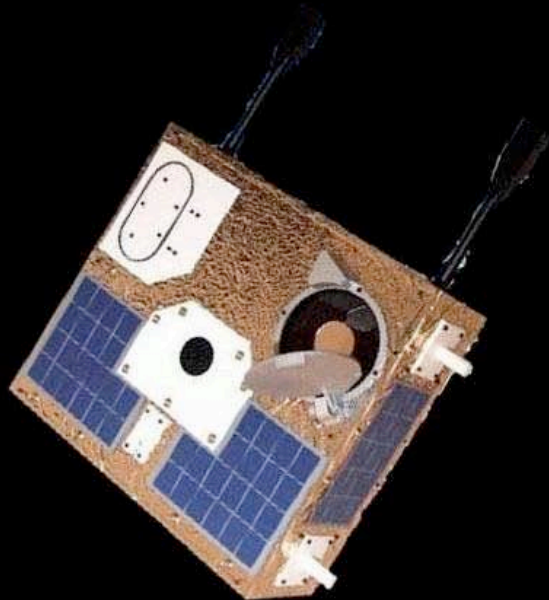
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✓ *Fabry Imaging*

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- UBC

Parallel independent reduction streams

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CCD stability

✓ *E2V 47-20 frame-transfer devices*

- radiation tolerance
 - *warm pixels have not been a problem after almost 4.5 years in orbit*
- CTI not an issue
- gain stability
- temperature regulation $\Delta T \sim 0.1 \text{ C}$
- temperature knowledge $\Delta T \sim 0.01 \text{ C}$



- passive temperature regulation of CCD electronics
 $\Delta T \sim 2 \text{ C during orbit}$

Stellar stability

✓ *difficult to do conventional differential photometry*

- intrinsic stellar variability at sub-mmag level
- `ensemble' comparisons of only limited effectiveness for number of stars available in MOST field and brightness range
- comparison stars used only as `canaries in the mineshaft' to recognise any subtle

background artifacts



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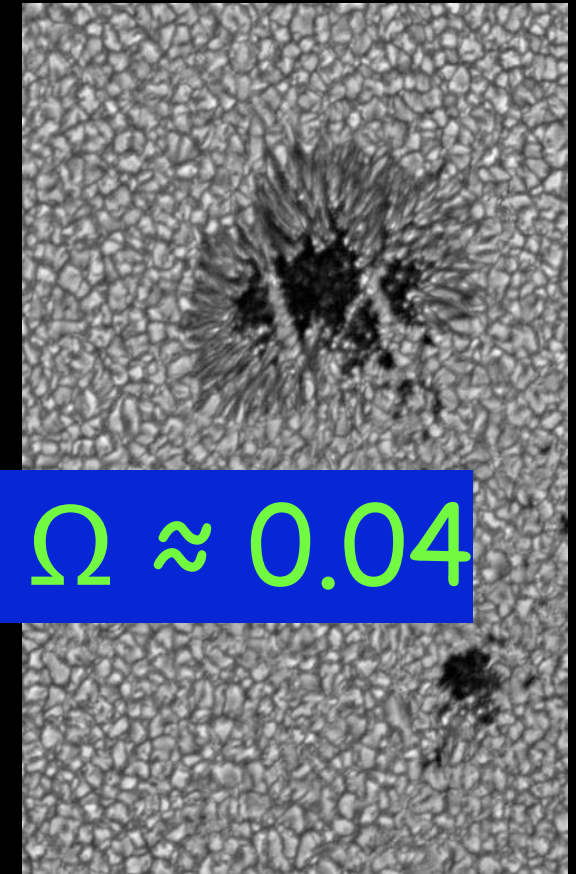
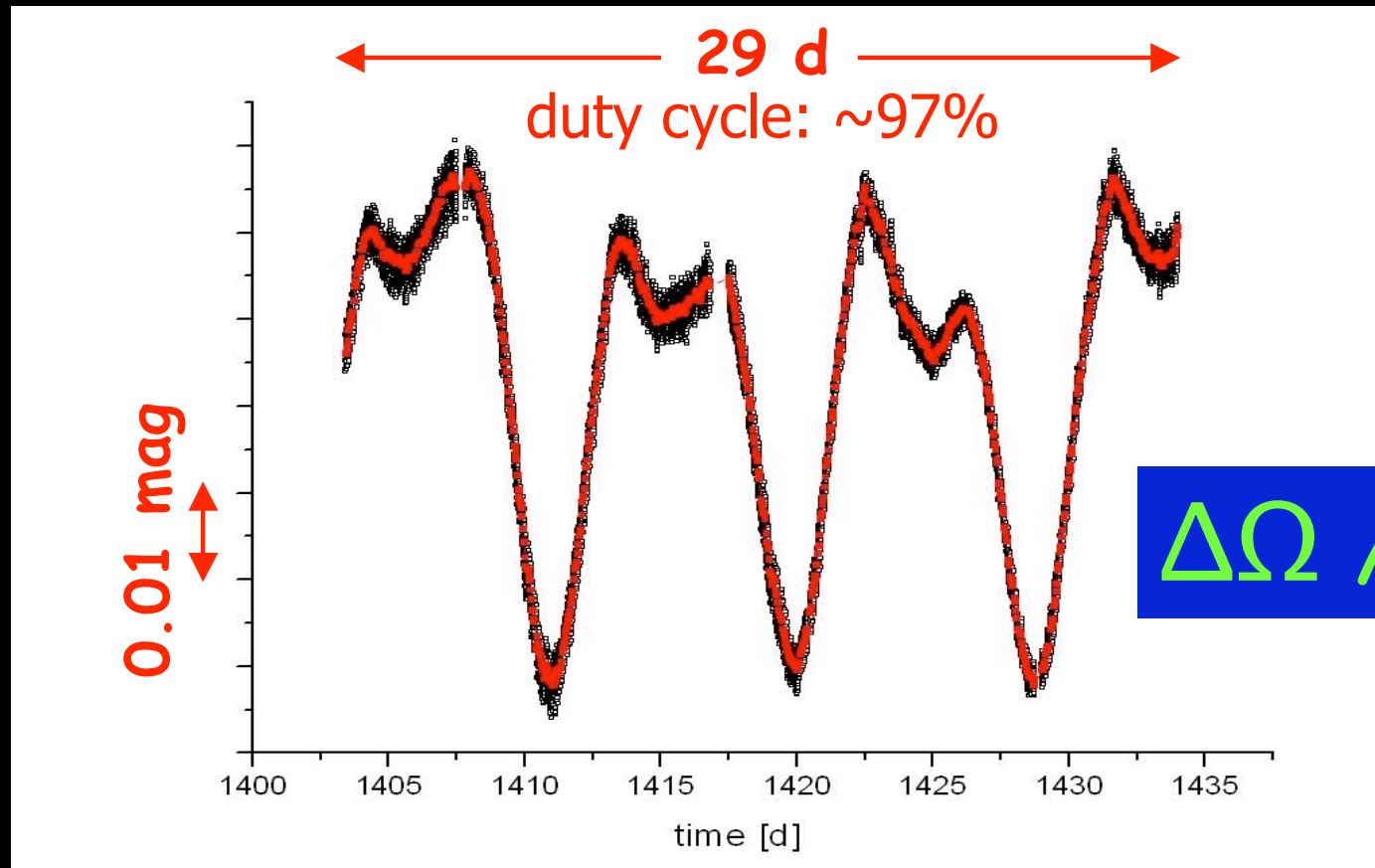
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kappa 1 Ceti

Differential rotation



$$\Delta\Omega / \Omega \approx 0.04$$

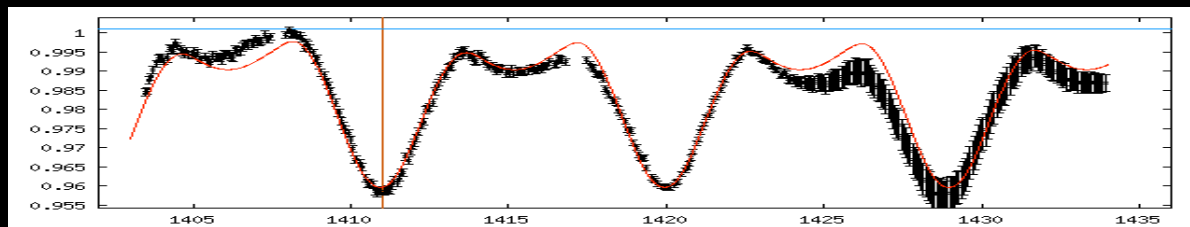
- kappa 1 Ceti light curve modeled by *differentially rotating* starspots at different latitudes

Rucinski, Walker, Matthews et al. 2004 PASP

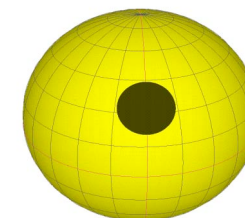
kappa 1 Ceti

Differential rotation

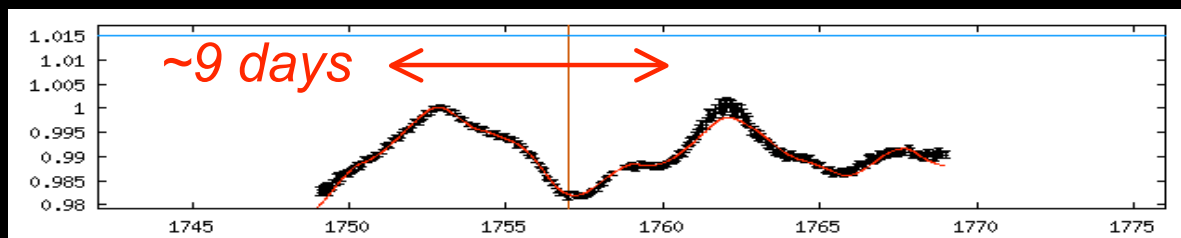
MOST light curves and best-fitting spot models



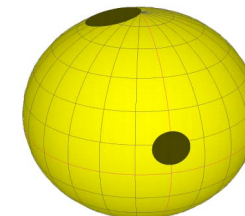
2003



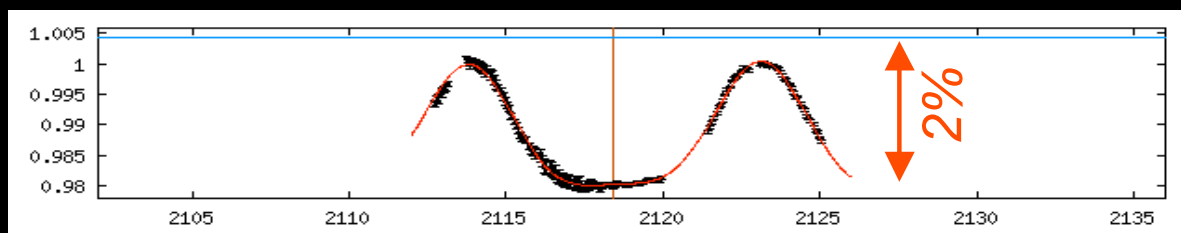
2 spots



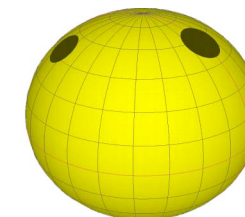
2004



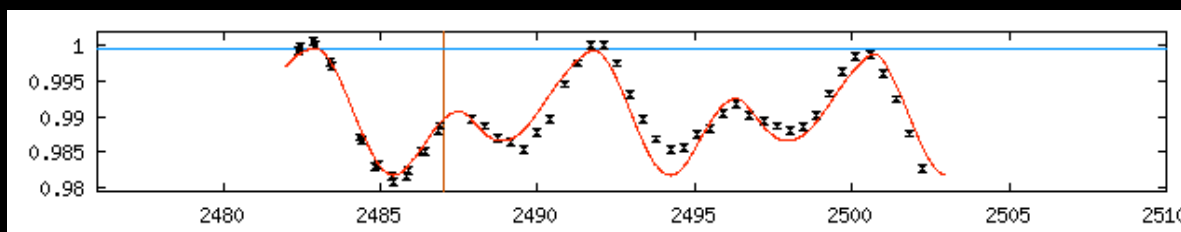
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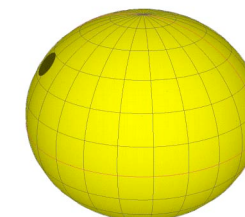
2005



2 spots



2006



2 spots

HJD - 2451545

Walker, Croll, Matthews et al. ApJ 2007

kappa 1 Ceti

Differential rotation

A rotation profile
for a star other than the Sun

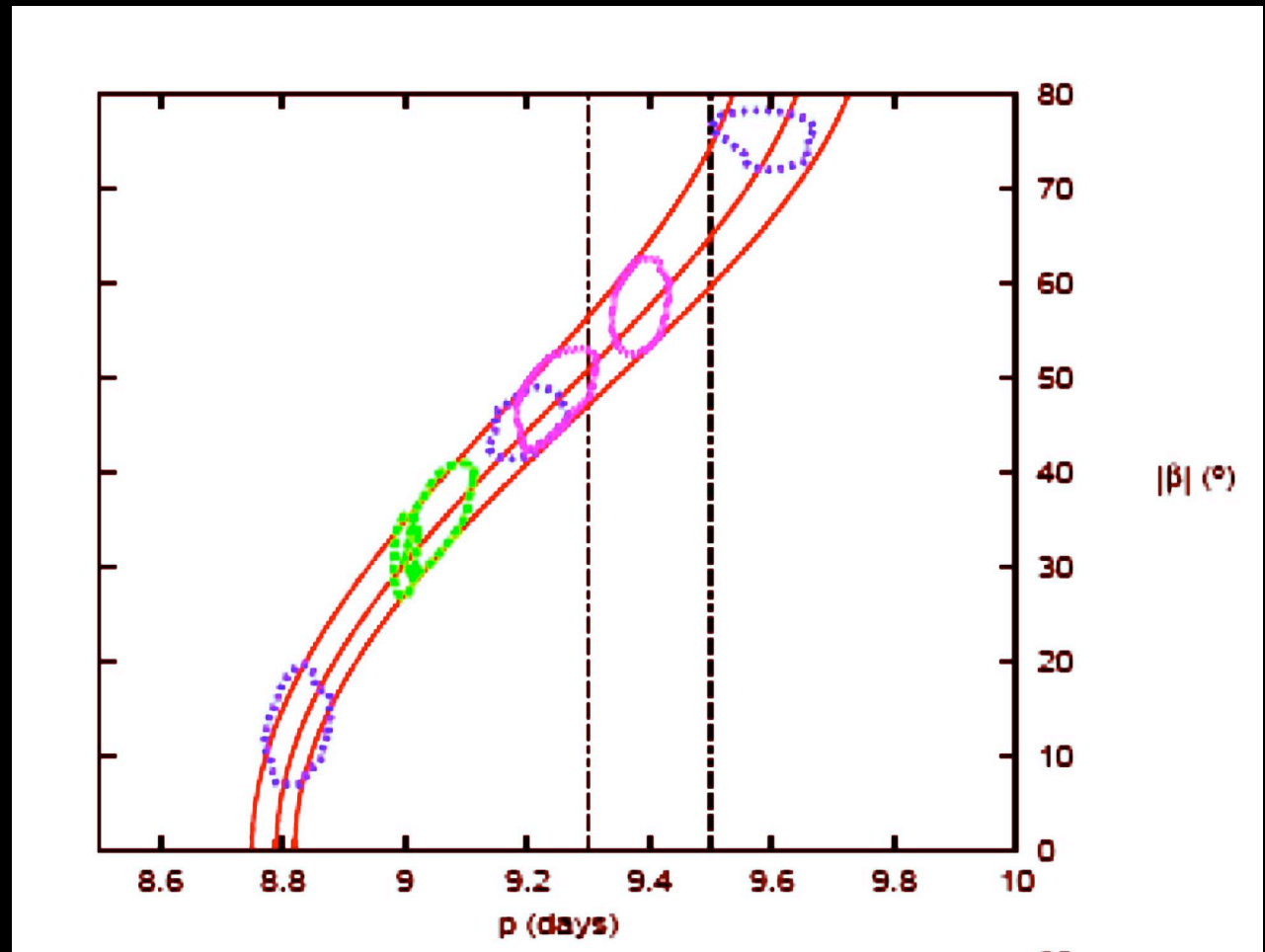
*Best-fitting periods vs.
star spot latitudes for
three epochs.*

*Ellipses indicate 68%
confidence limits*

*Red curves indicate solar
period-latitude relation:*

$$P_{\beta} = P_{eq} / (1 - k \sin^2 \beta)$$

*for the confidence limits
on P_{eq} and k*

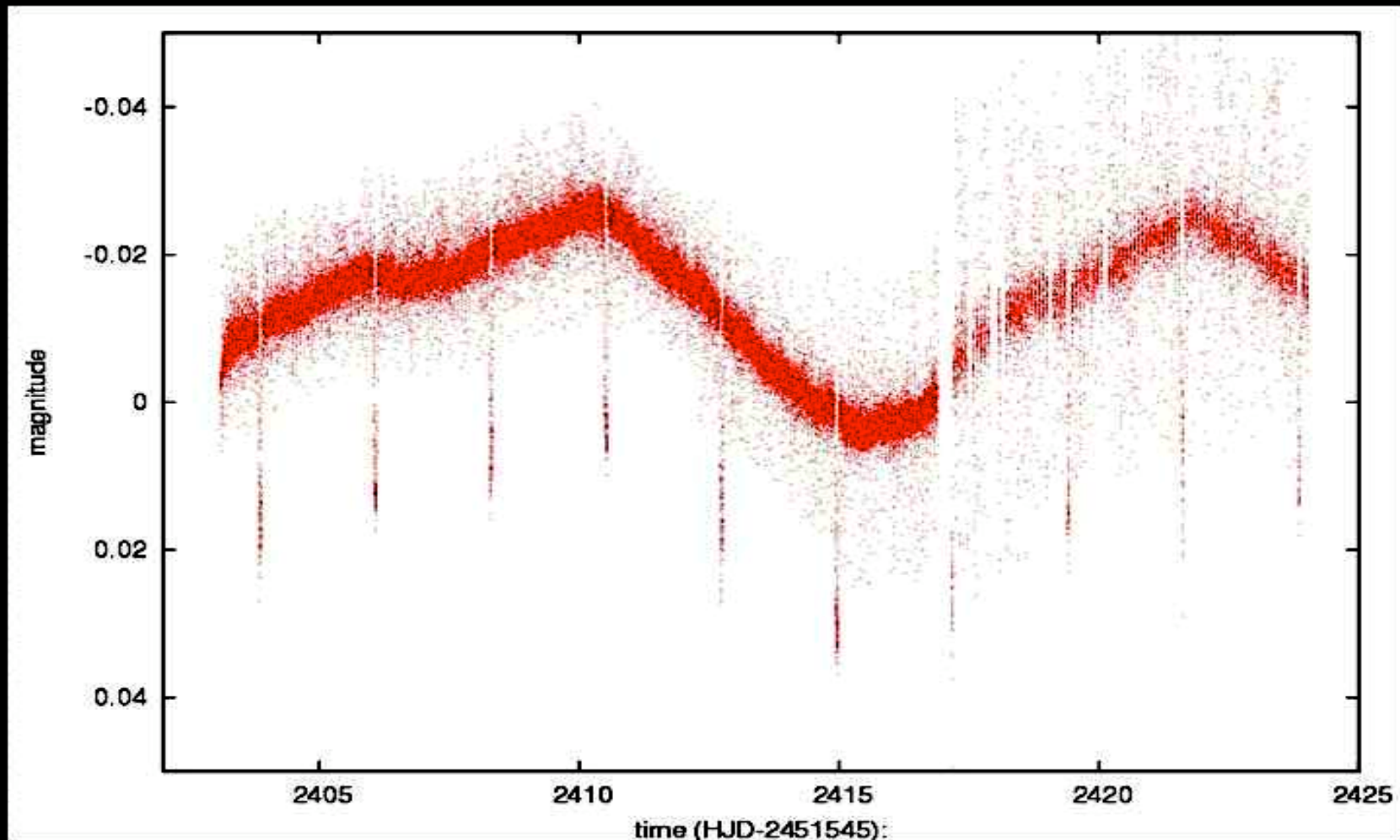


Walker, Croll, Matthews et al. ApJ 2007

HD 189733

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- transiting exoplanet, with starspots

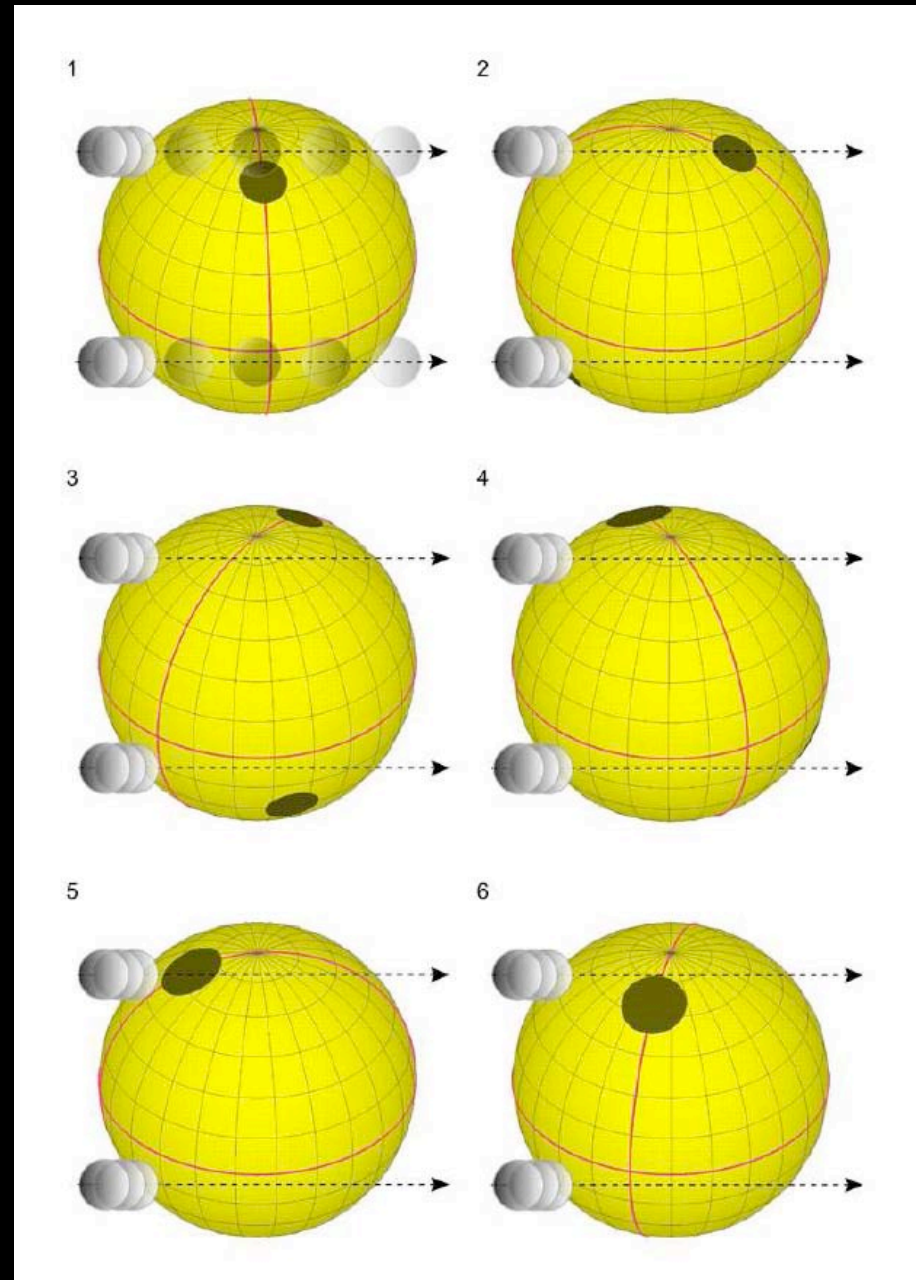


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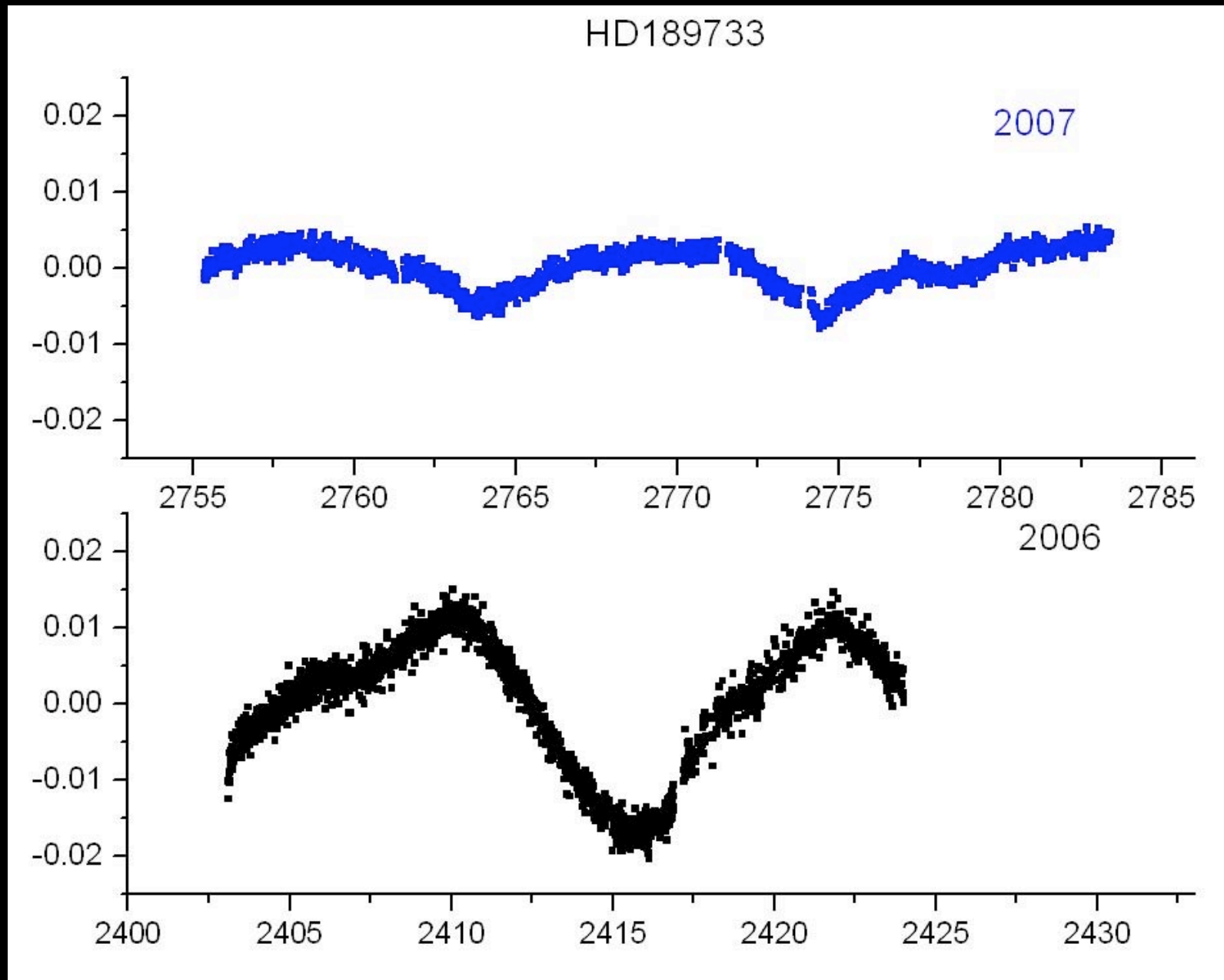
➤ transiting exoplanet with starspots

(Miller-Ricci et al. 2007)

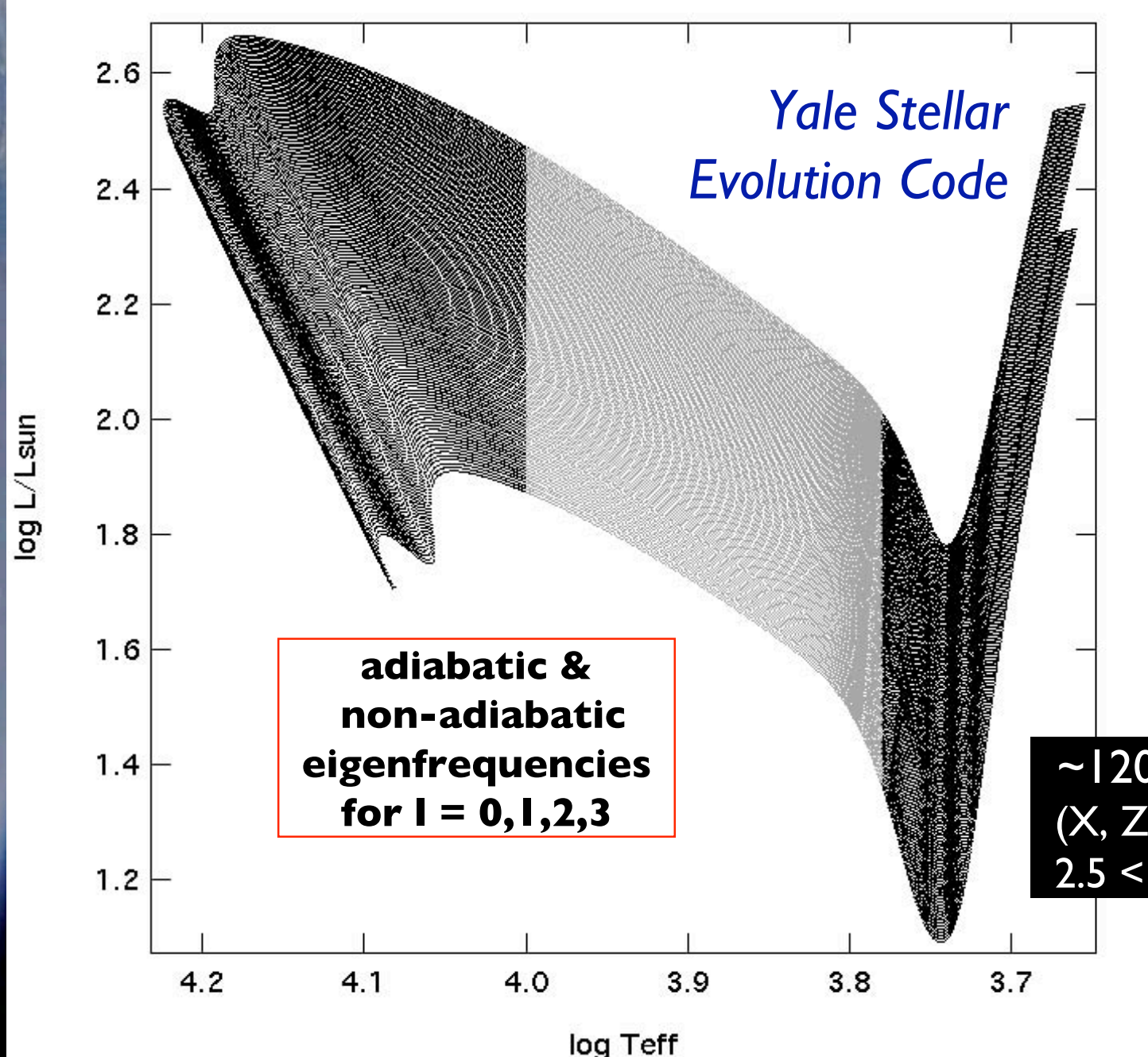
*(Croll, Matthews
et al. 2007)*



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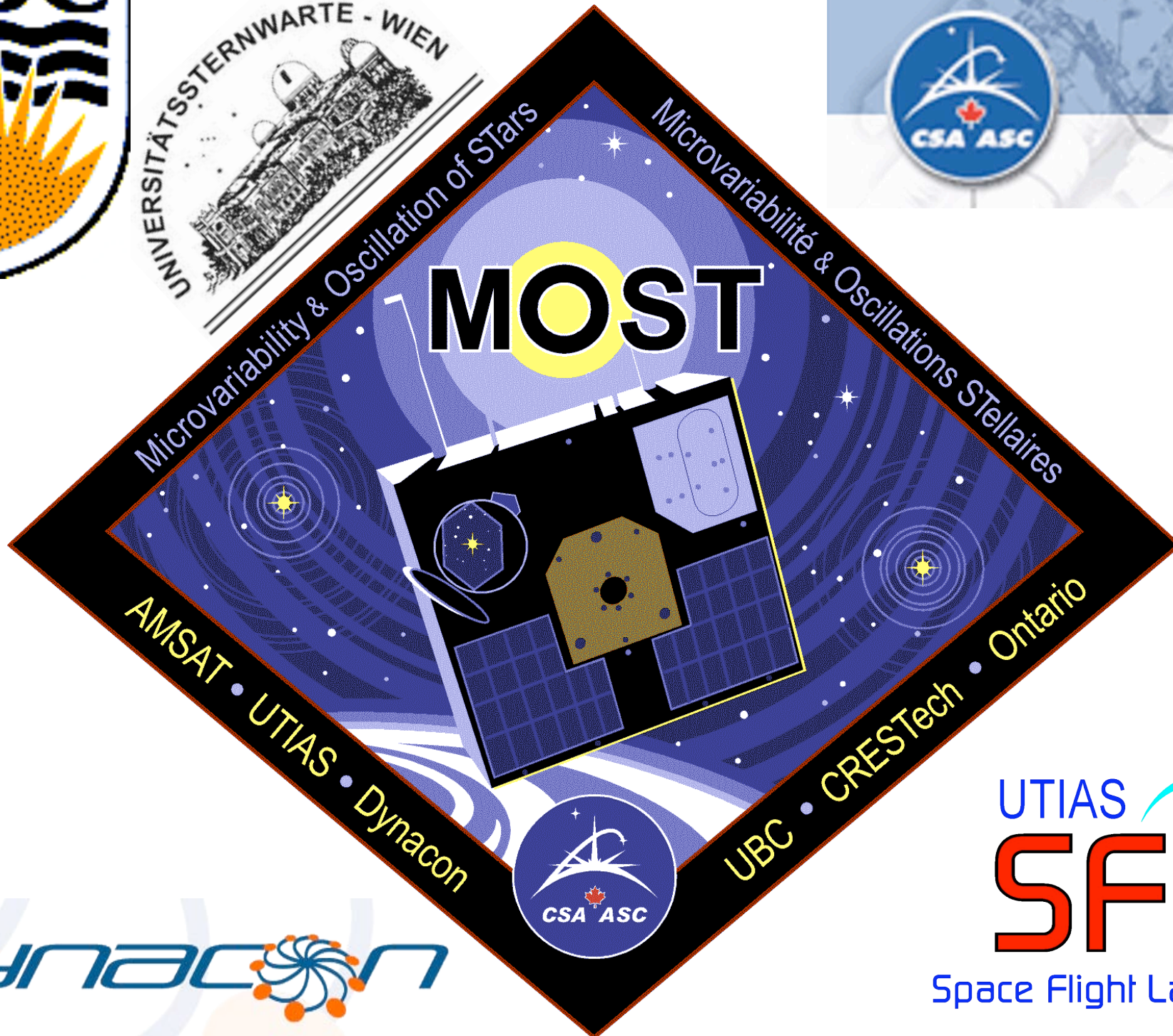
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First results from MOST on Procyon



First results from MOST on Procyon

➤ reaction in the community

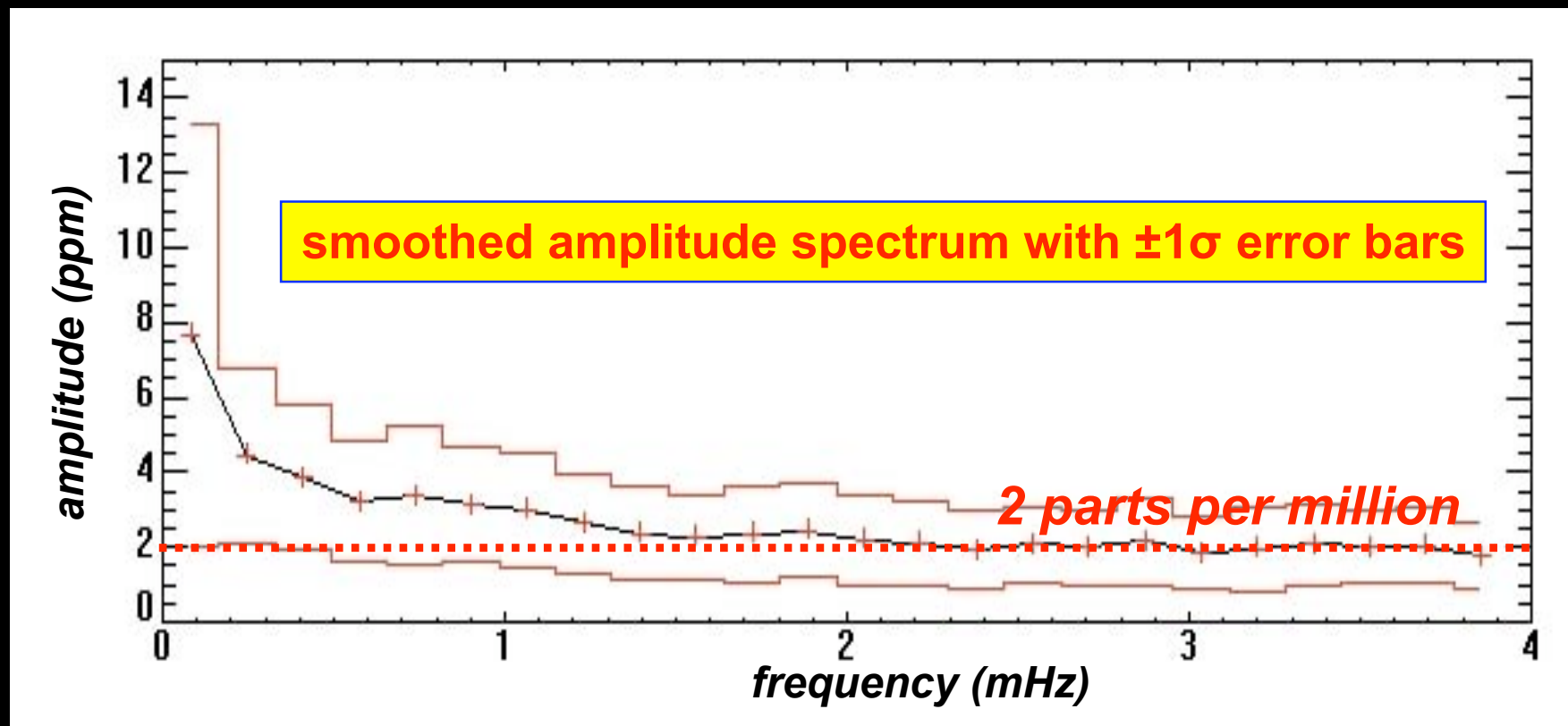


GONG-SOHO Meeting, New Haven, CT - July 2004

Much ado about nothing?

Procyon: 2004

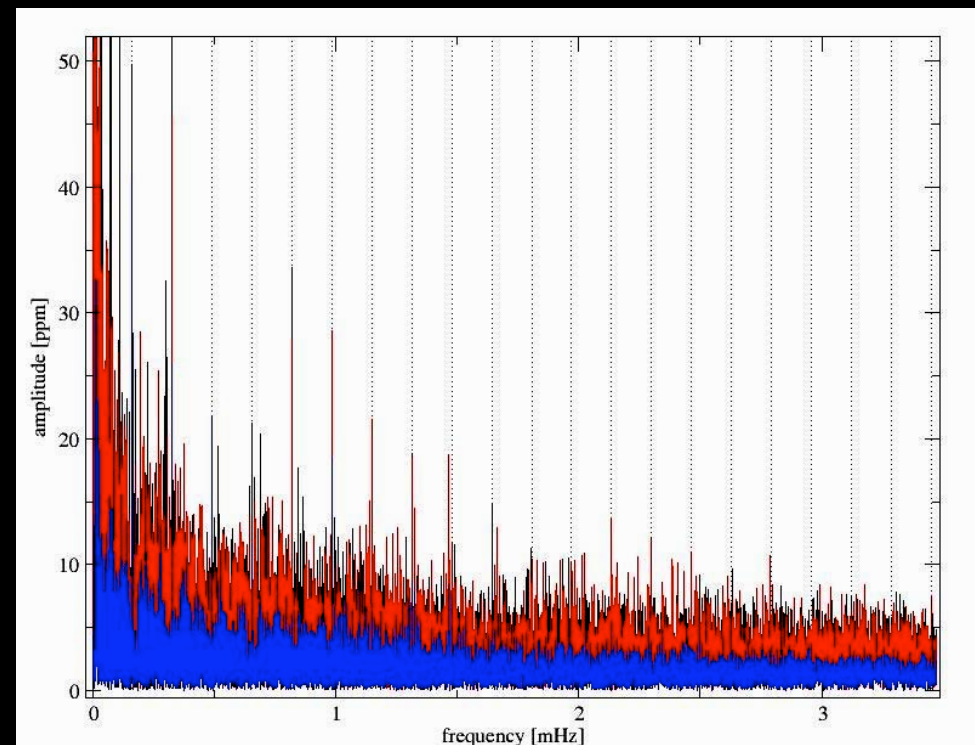
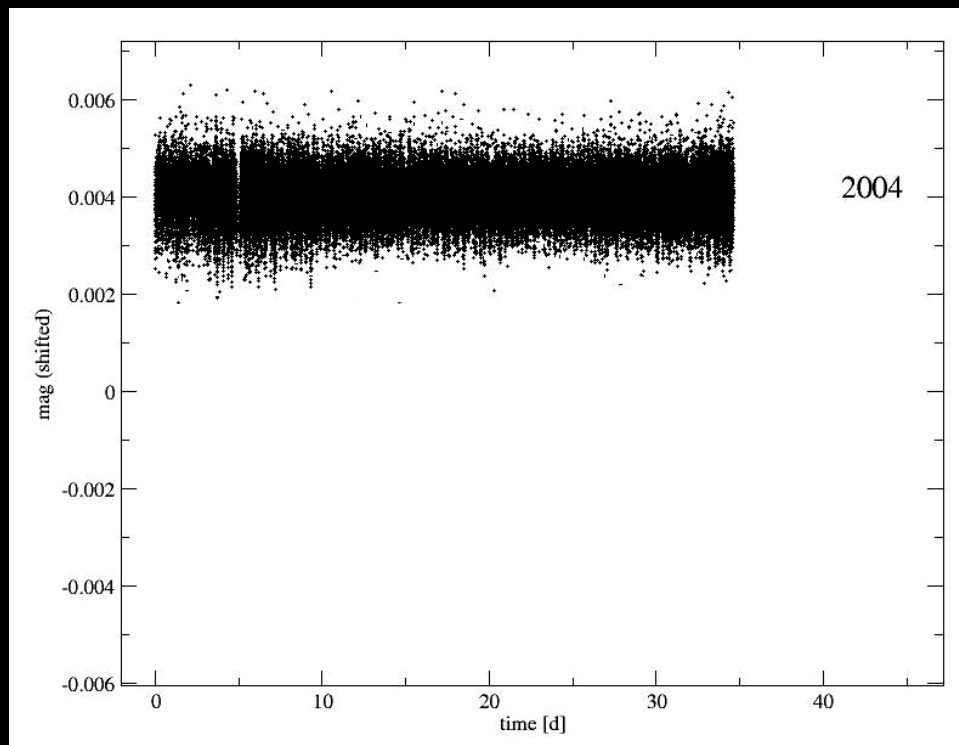
- Sampling: *average of 6× / min*
- Fabry Imaging
 - *32 days of coverage; 96% duty cycle*



Matthews et al. 2004 Nature

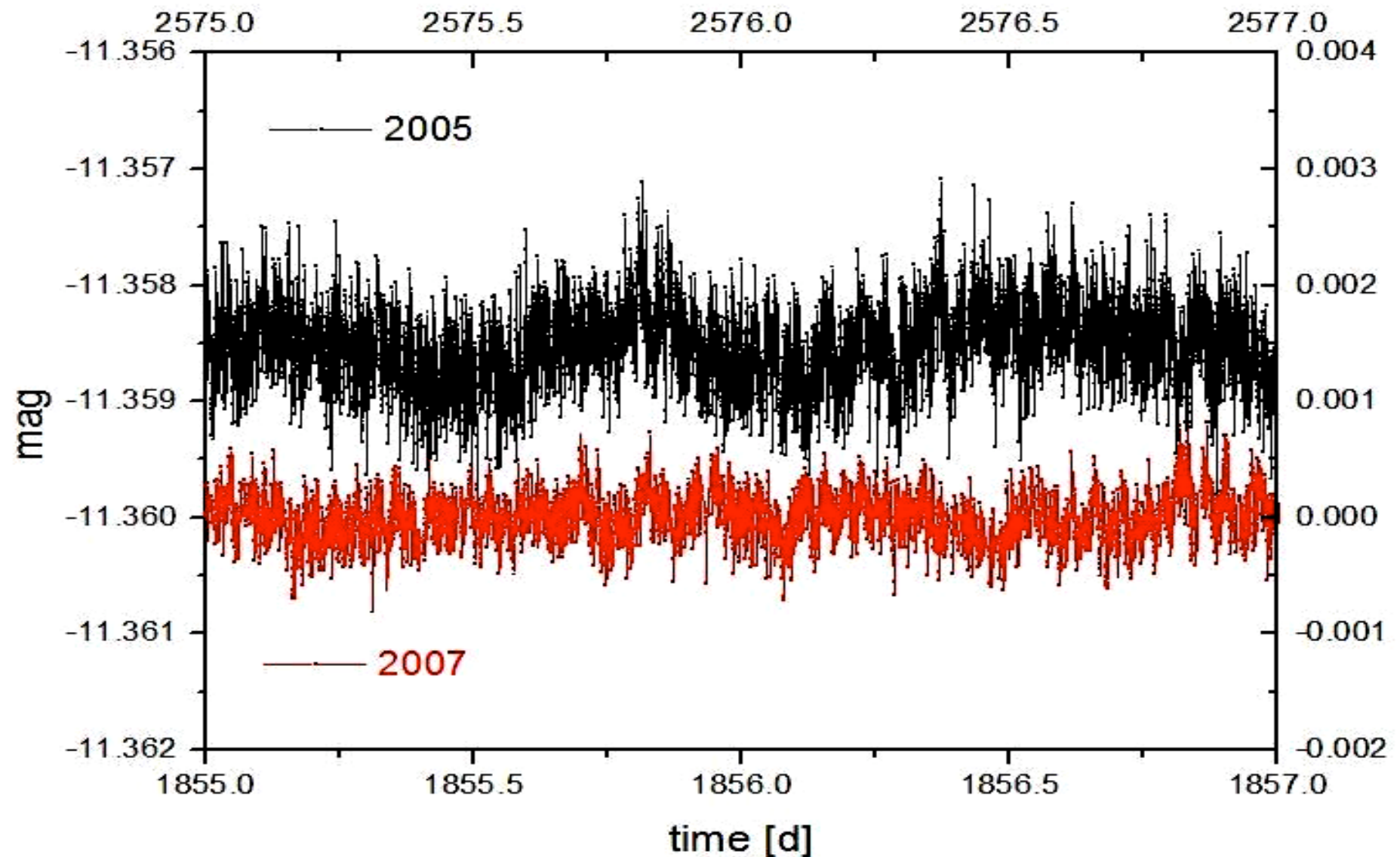
A nice place to visit

Year	Timespan [d]	Point-to-point scatter [ppm]	RMS [ppm]	noise (~ 1.5 mHz) [ppm]
2004	35	314	1245	3.0
2005	16	275	530	3.5
2007	38.5	155	230	1.5



← 40 d →

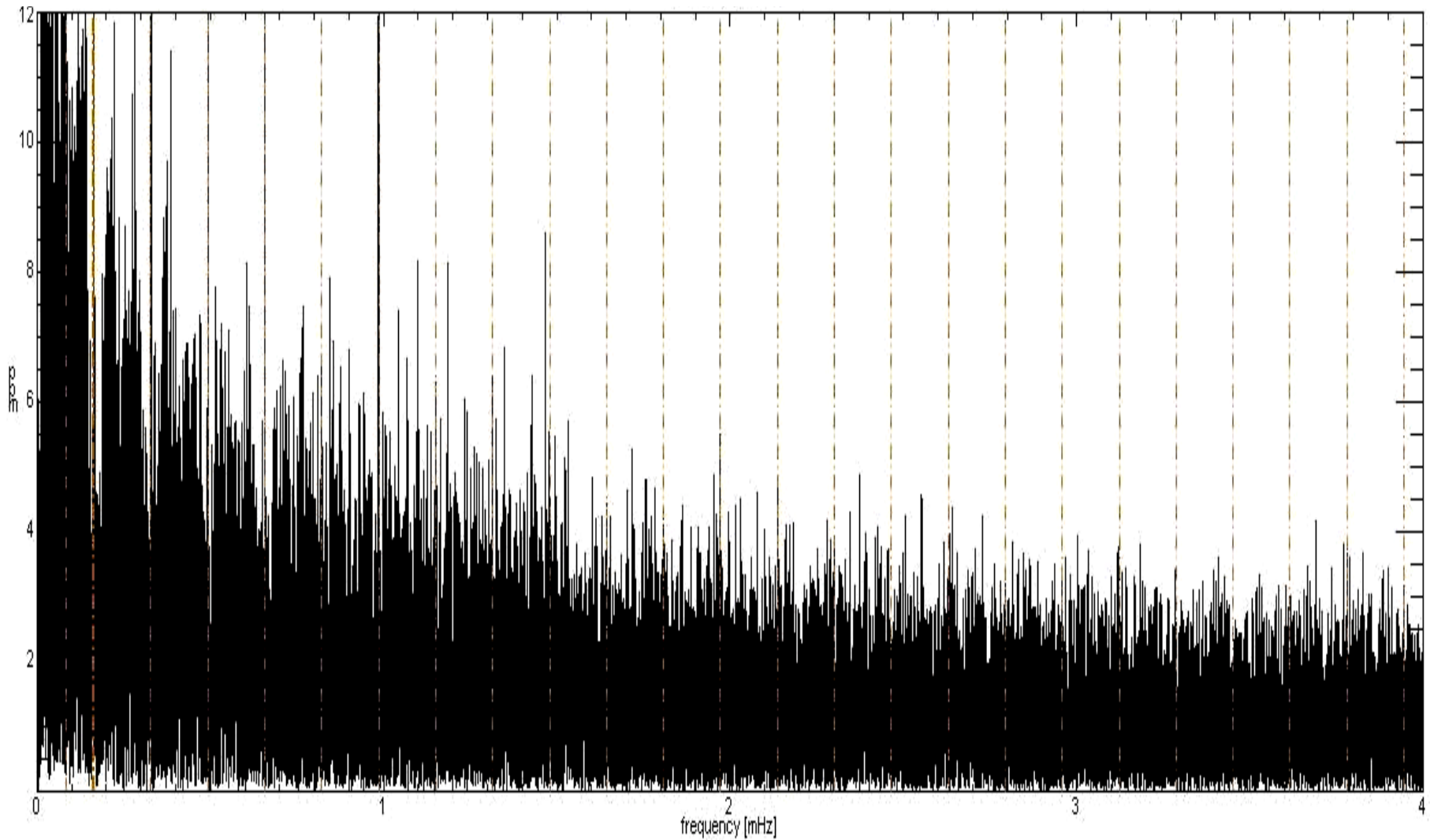
Improved photometry



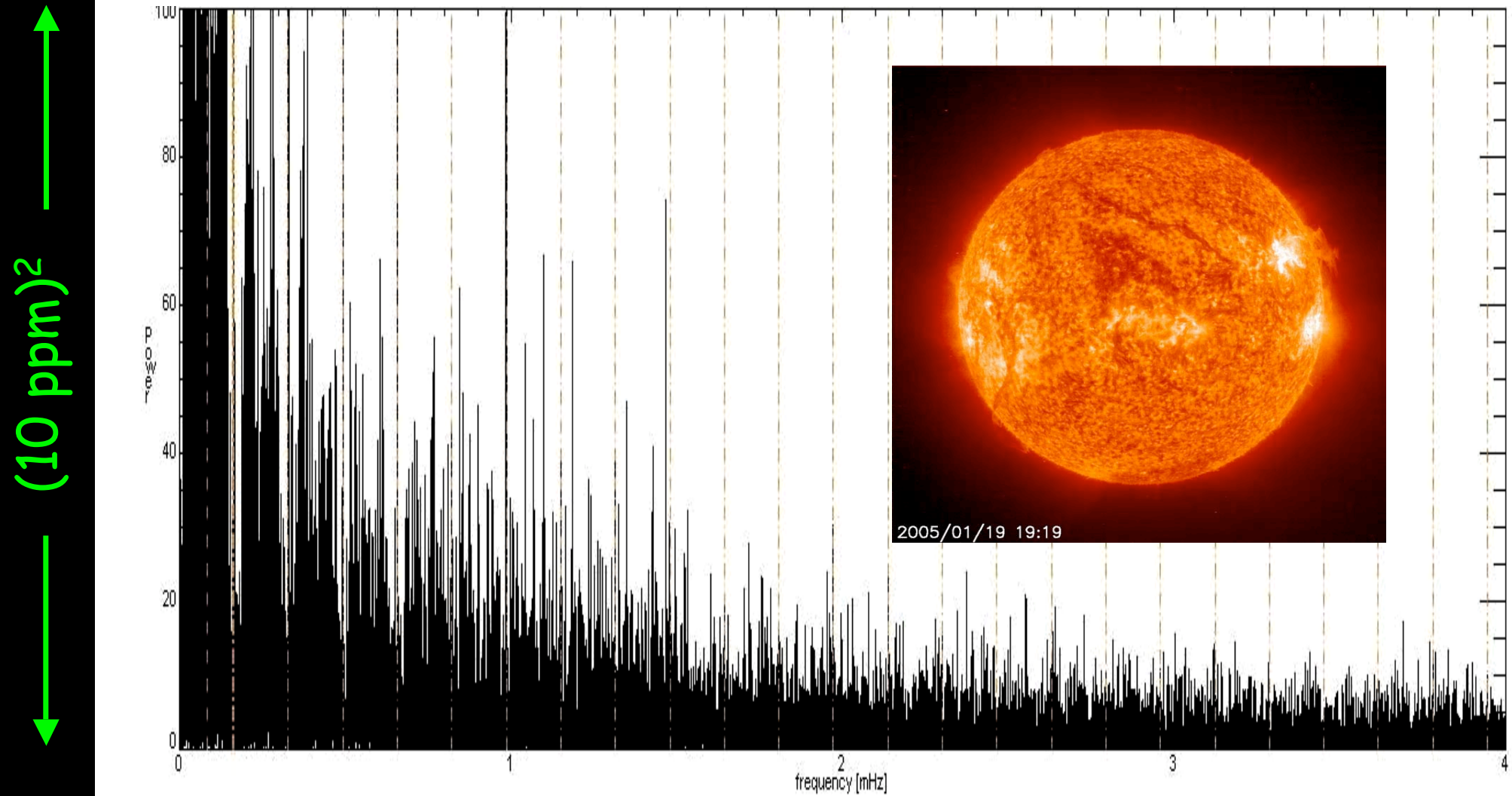
Sub-arcsec pointing, reduced scattered Earthshine

Improved sensitivity

12 ppm



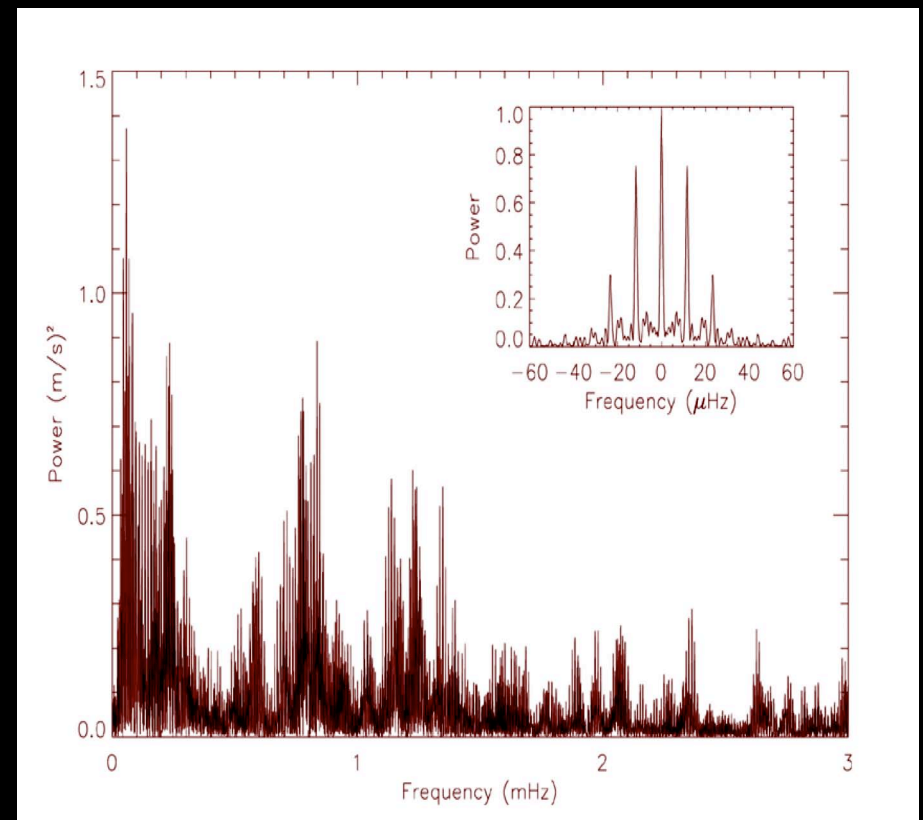
Improved sensitivity



p-mode 'hide and seek'

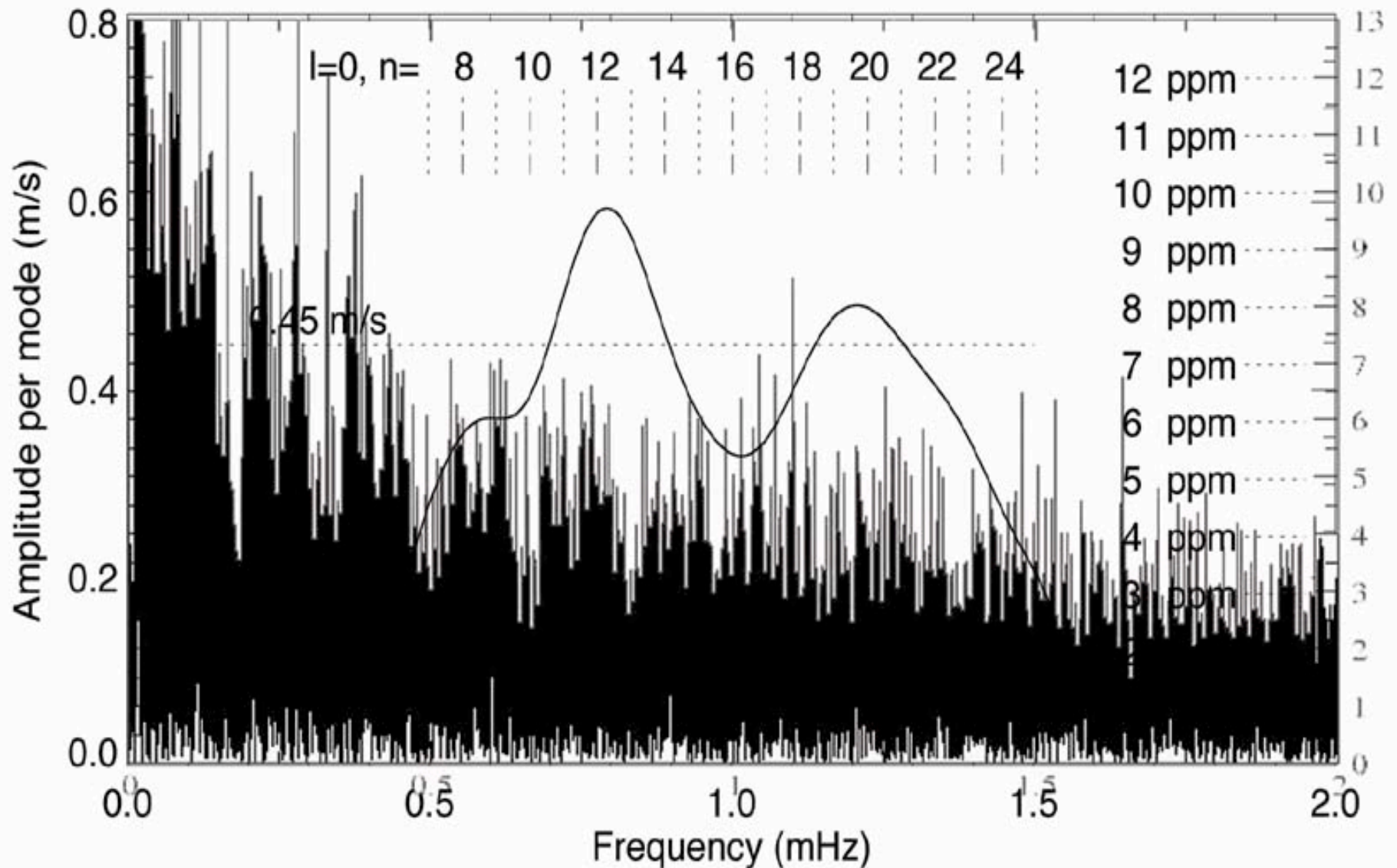
- Bedding et al. 2005:
non-detection of p-modes
in MOST 2004 data due to
“non-stellar noise”
in relevant frequency range
- Kjeldsen & Bedding scaling
relation predicts
peak amplitudes of ~ 8 ppm
- Leccia et al. 2006 predict
mean amplitudes $\sim 2 \times$ solar

Leccia, Kjeldsen et al. (2006)



amplitudes of p-modes predicted to be ~ 8 ppm

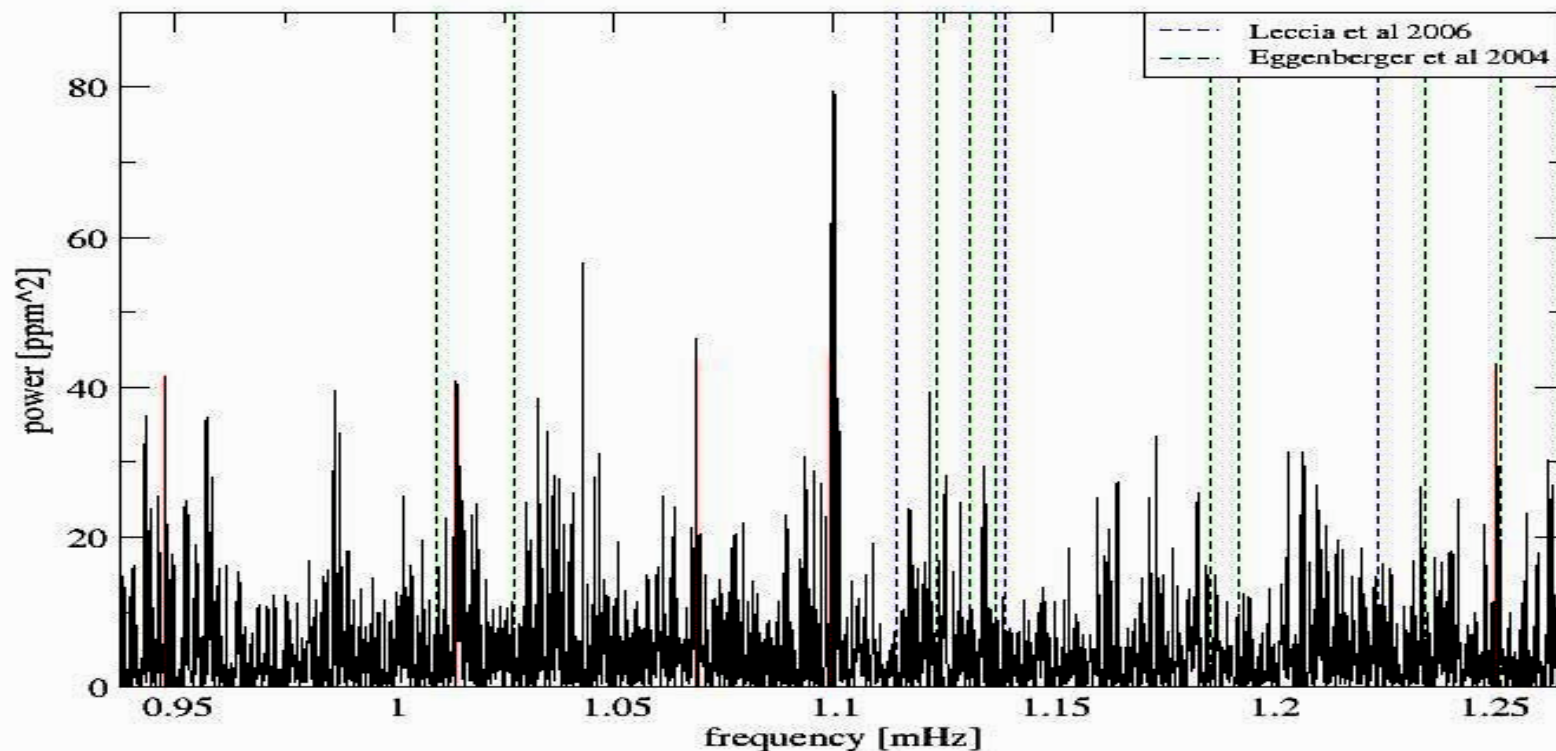
p-mode 'hide and seek'



amplitudes of p-modes predicted to be ~8 ppm

Comparison to published frequencies

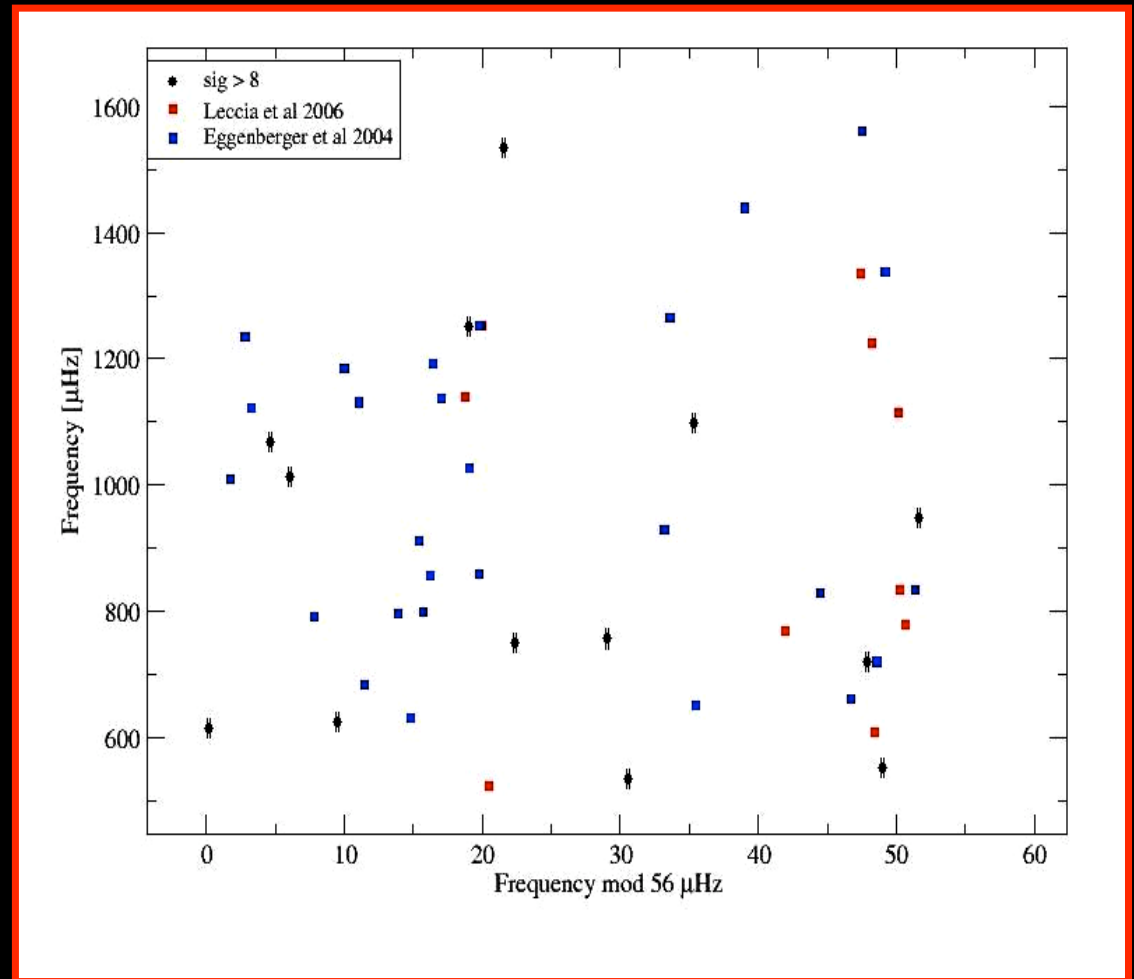
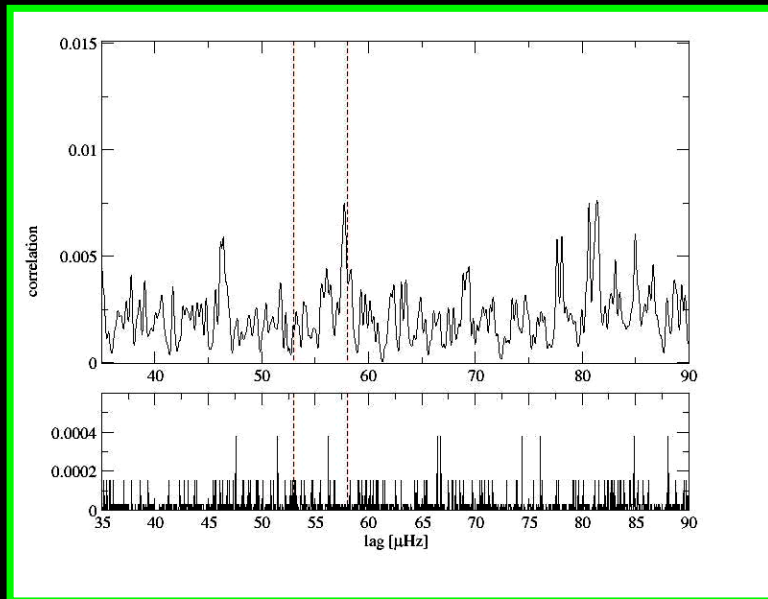
- Eggenberger et al. (2004):
 - 27 p-mode frequencies
- Leccia et al. (2006):
 - 10 p-mode frequencies



few matches to largest peaks in MOST spectrum

Climbing the echelle diagram

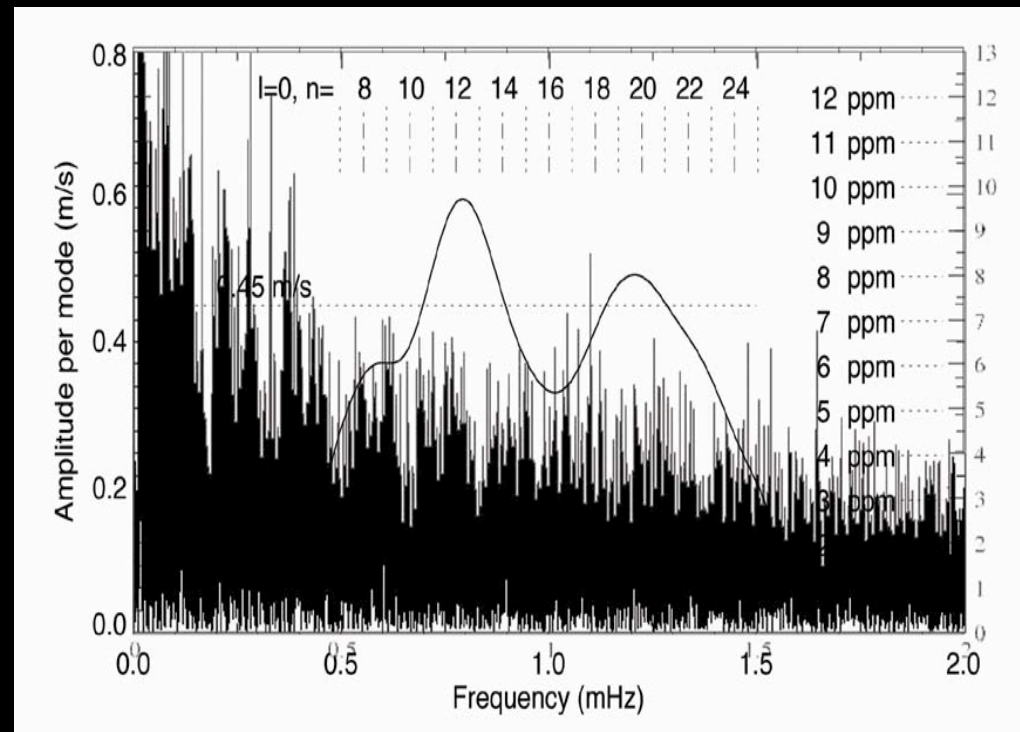
- Leccia et al. (2006):
 - $\Delta\nu = 56 \mu\text{Hz}$



short mode lifetimes?

Procyon A? Procyon eh? Procyon why?

- still no evidence for p-modes in MOST photometry
 - amplitudes below 8 ppm
 - or
 - mode lifetimes short
 - or
 - both
- questions about scaling relation between p-mode velocity and luminosity amplitudes



The 2007 spectroscopy and photometry represent the best data set for p-mode studies of Procyon.