



## *The GATS project and pulsating stars*

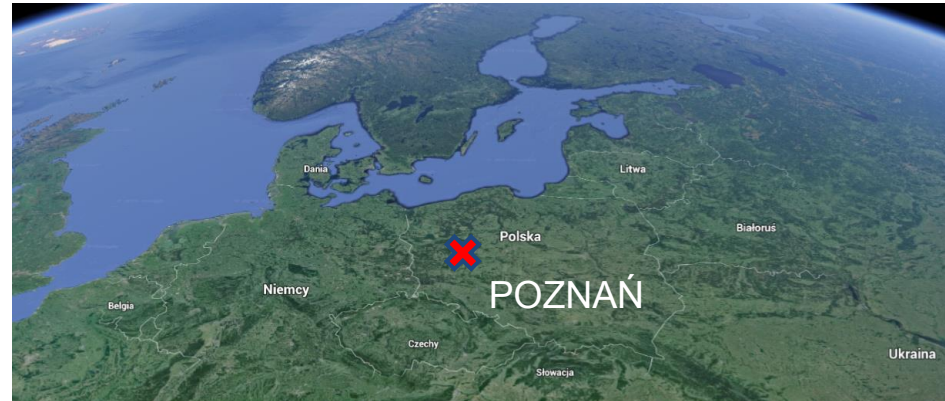
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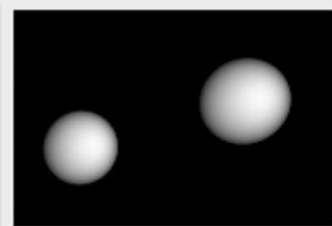
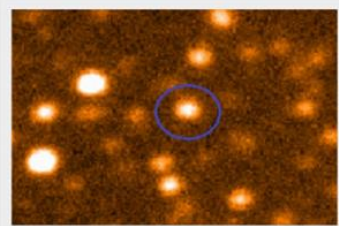


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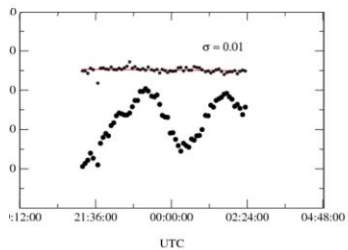


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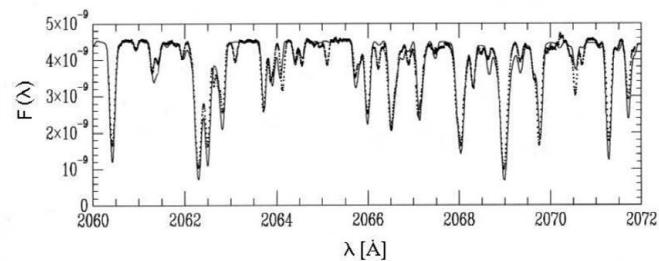
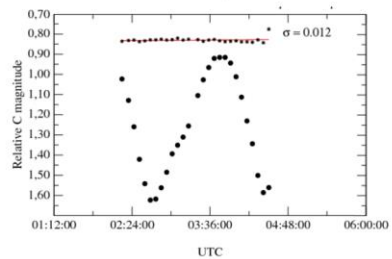




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## GATS team



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Wojciech Dimitrov head of PST1

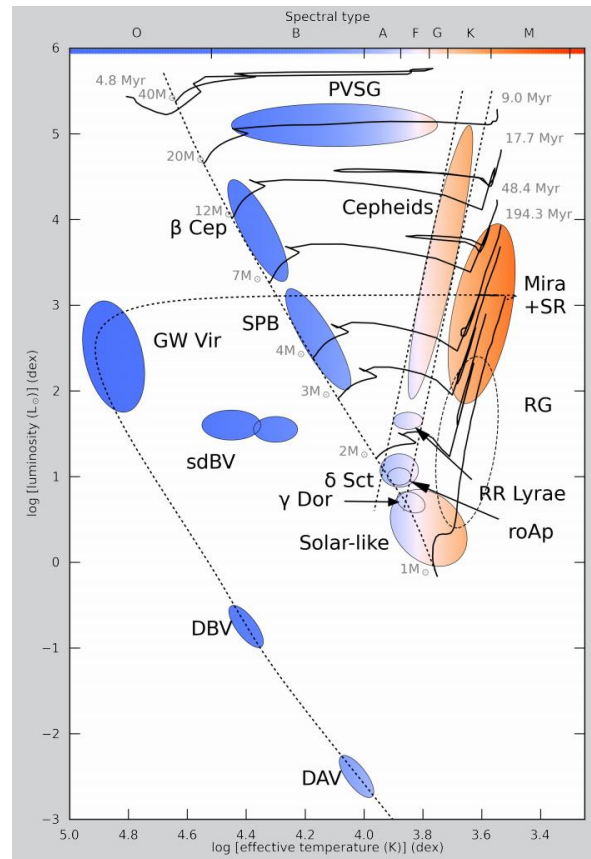
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# Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars

## The zoo of pulsating stars

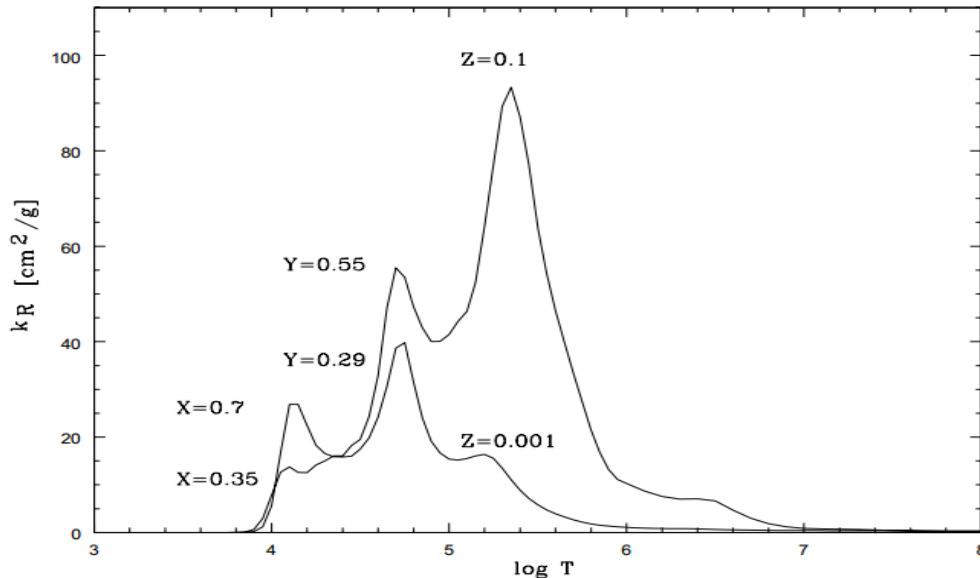


(Degroote, 2010)

# Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars

## Why do some stars pulsate?

Most of the pulsations are considered to be caused by the  $\kappa$  mechanism  
- opacity mechanism



(Kubiak M.)

1. hydrogen and helium ionization  $\text{H}^+$  ( $\text{He}^+$ ) zones

- $1.1 \cdot 10^4 \text{ K}$

2. Second helium ionization zones  $\text{He}^{++}$

- $5 \cdot 10^4 \text{ K}$

3. Z-bump - transition of the iron-group elements (Fe)

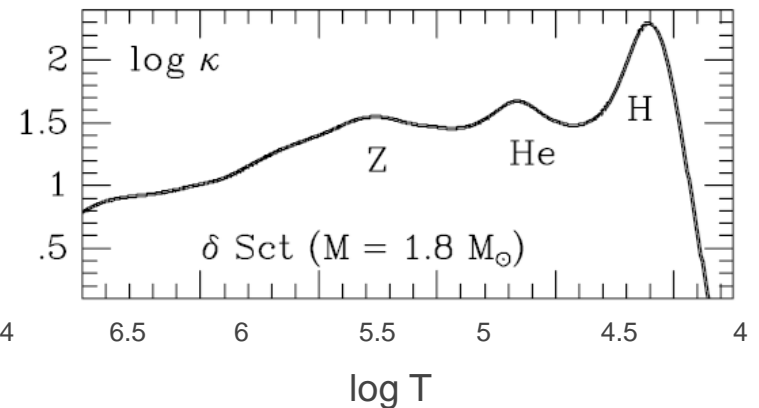
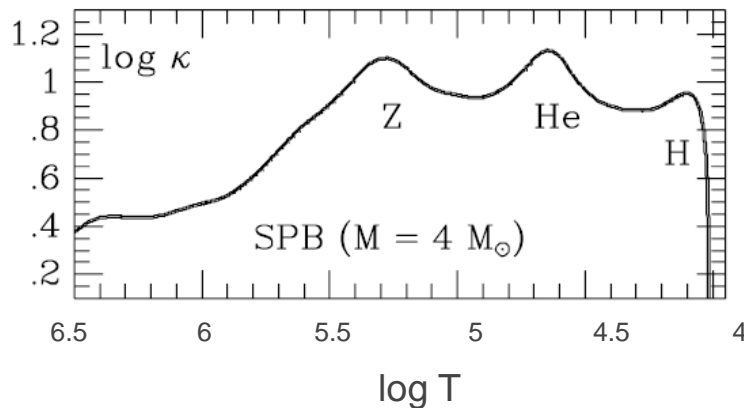
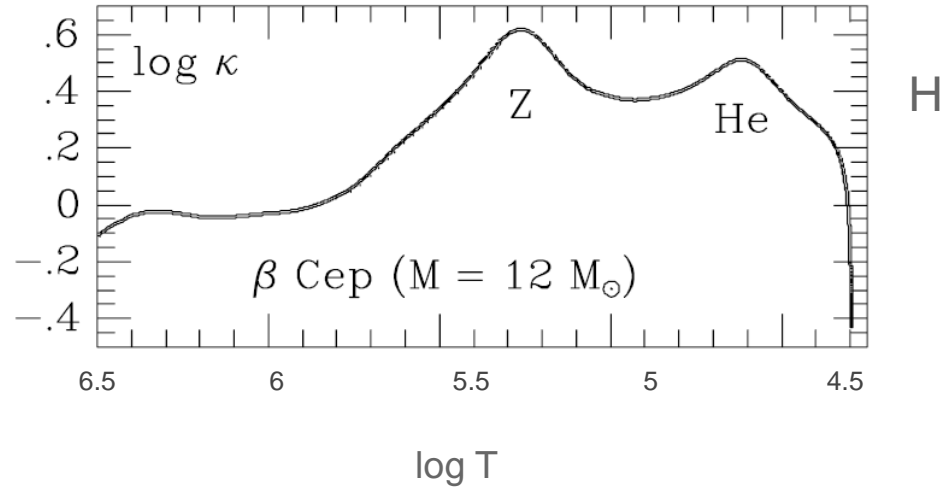
- $2 \cdot 10^5 \text{ K}$

4. DOB - “deep opacity bump” partial ionization zone of C, O

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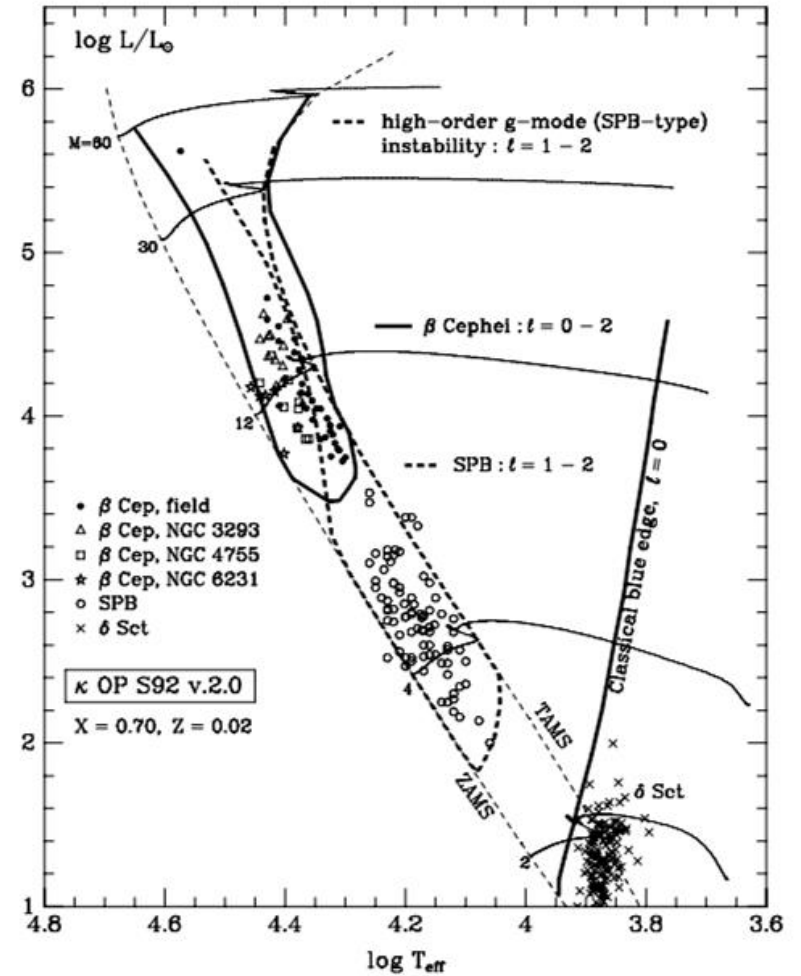
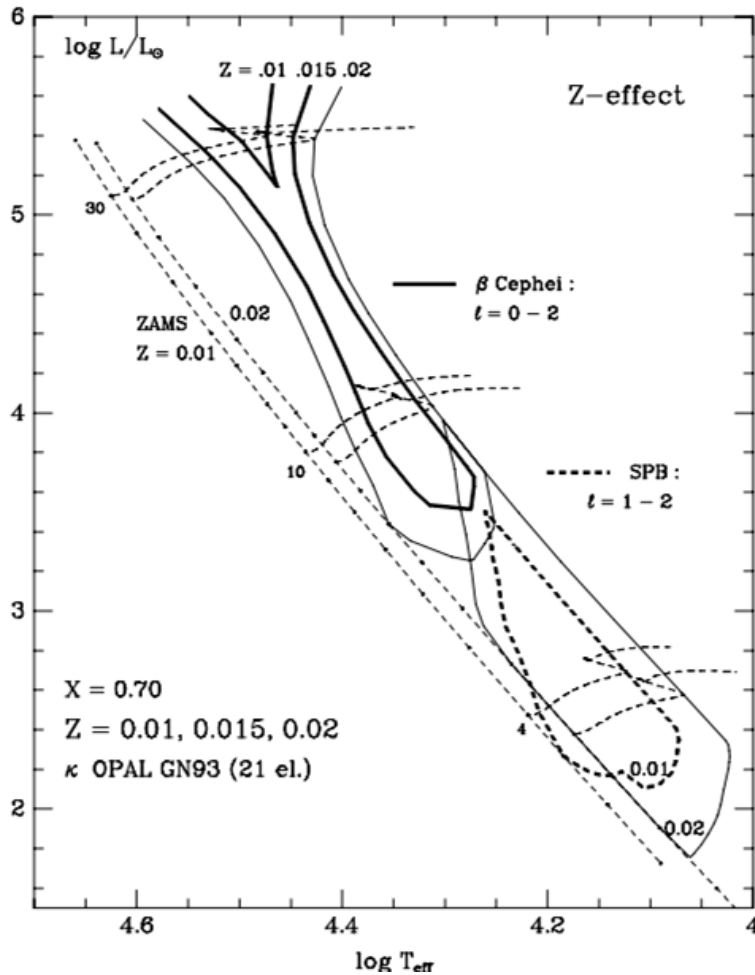
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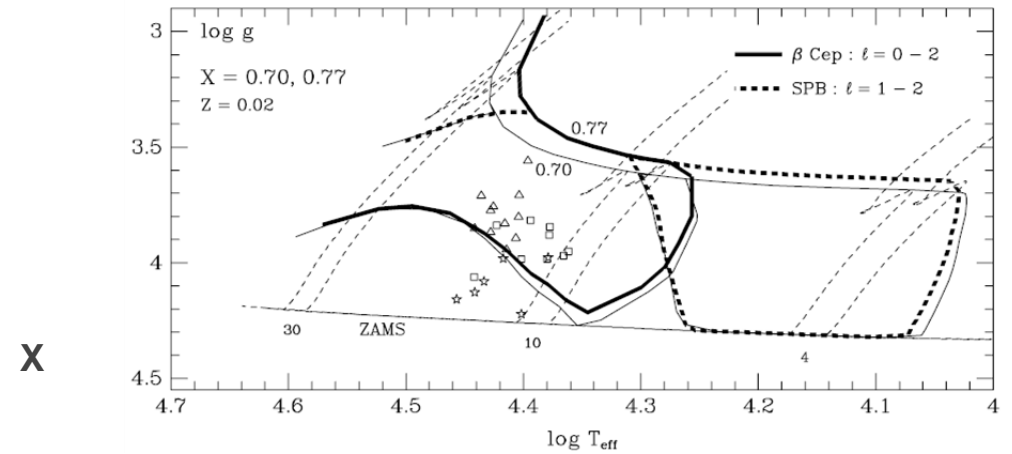
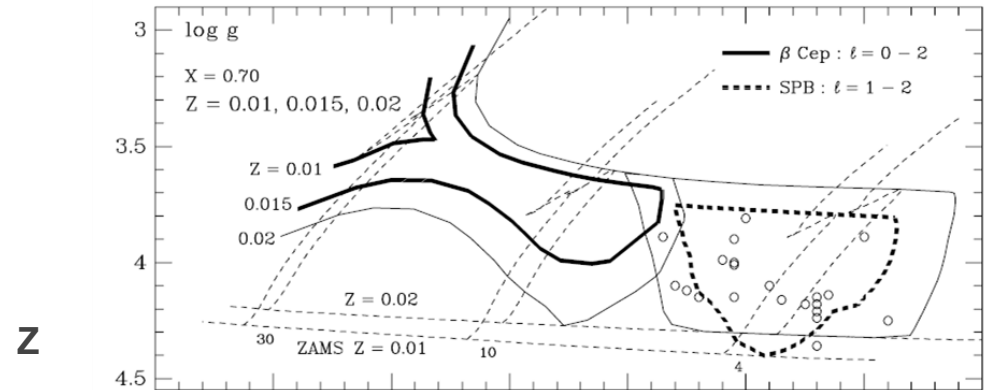


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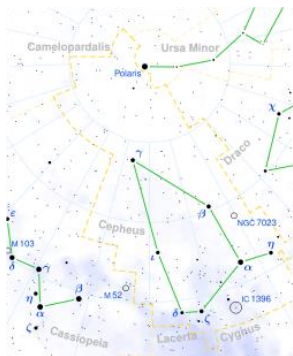


(Pamyatnykh 1999)

# Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars



(Pamyatnykh 1999)



## Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars

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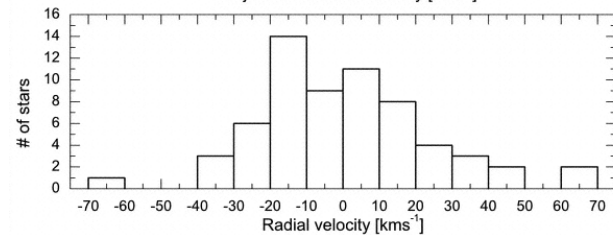
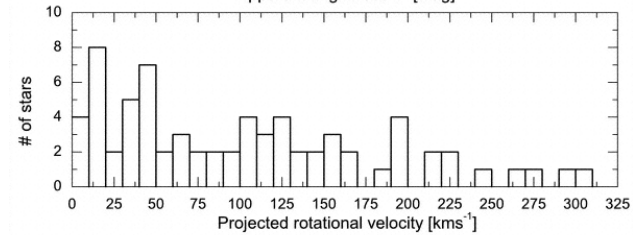
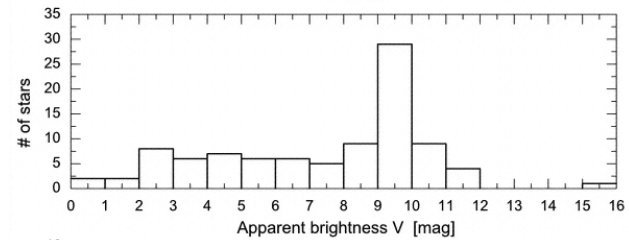
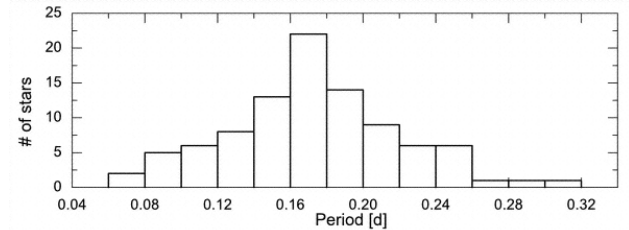
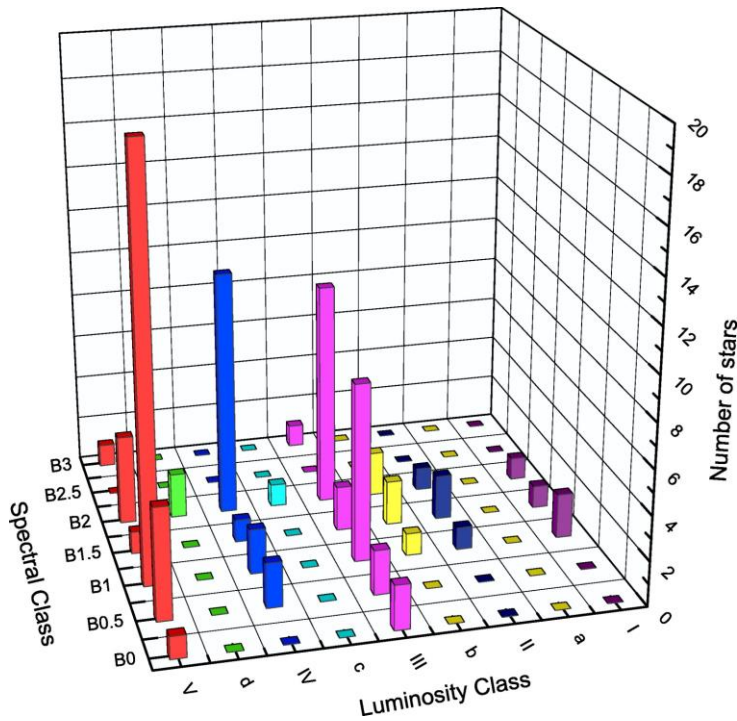
The  **$\beta$  Cephei** stars are:

- massive ( $M$ : 7 - 20 solar masses);
- hot ( $T_{\text{eff}}$  : 18000 - 35000 K);
- early B-type stars (spectral type: B0.5 - B3) with luminosity classes V – III;
- exhibit short period variations of brightness, radial velocity and line profiles;
- are low radial order p/g-mode pulsators (pulsation periods: 2 - 12 hours);

The **SPB** stars are:

- massive ( $M$ : 3 – 8 solar masses);
  - hot ( $T_{\text{eff}}$ : 10000 – 20000 K);
  - main sequence B-type stars (spectral type: B3 - B8) with luminosity classes V – III;
  - exhibit period variations of brightness, radial velocity and line profiles;
  - are high-order low-degree g-mode pulsators (pulsation periods: 1 – 3 days);
- their pulsations are driven by the classical  $k$  mechanism operating in the layer of the metal opacity bump at  $T = 200\,000$  K.

# Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars



“Catalog of Galactic  $\beta$  Cephei Stars”

(Stankov and Handler, 2005)

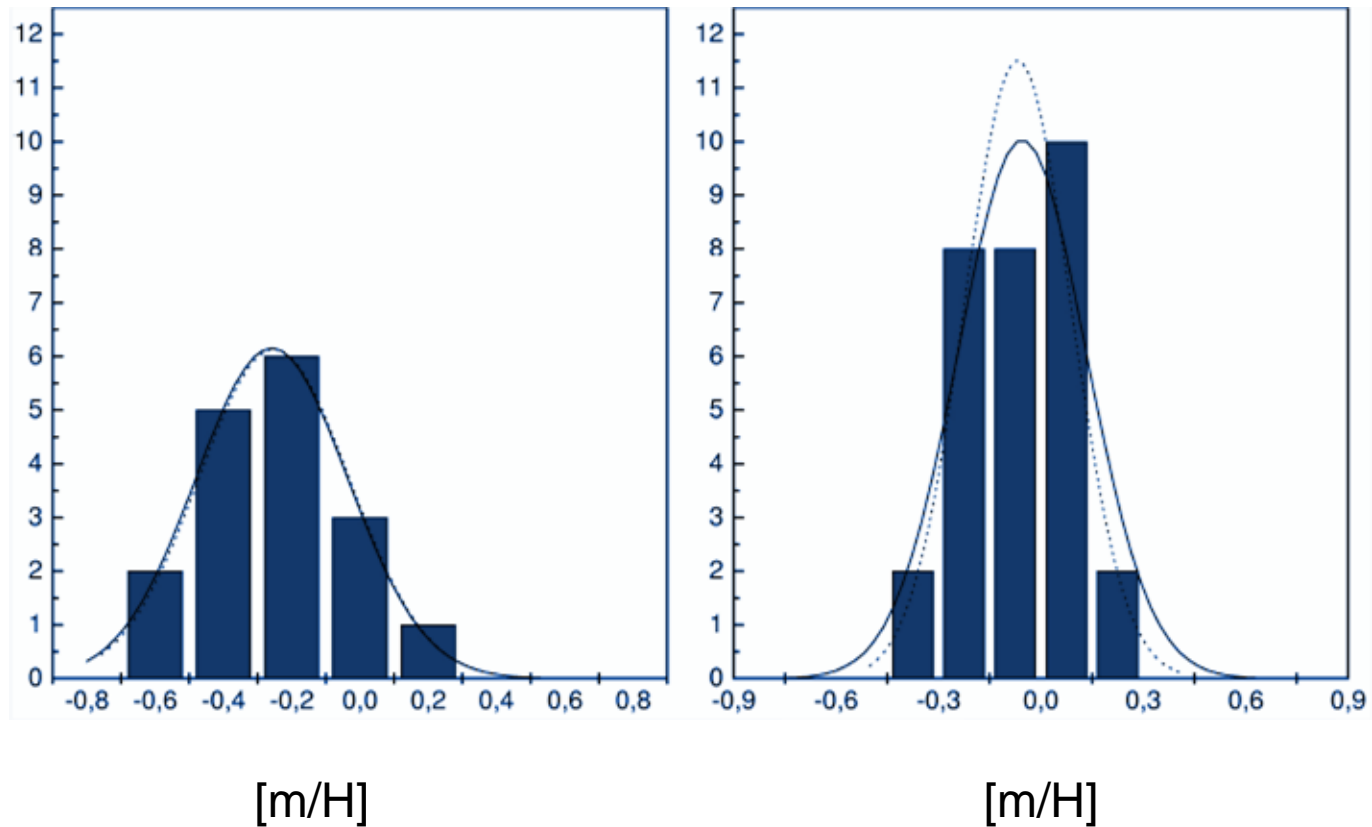
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$\beta$  Cephei

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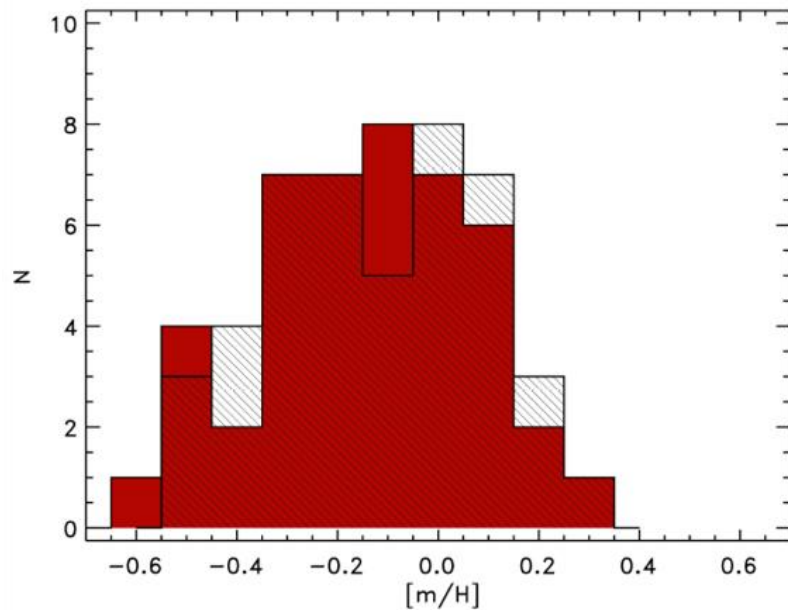
(Niemczura & Daszynska-Daszakiewicz, 2005)

Low-resolution ultraviolet spectra (from IUE satellite)

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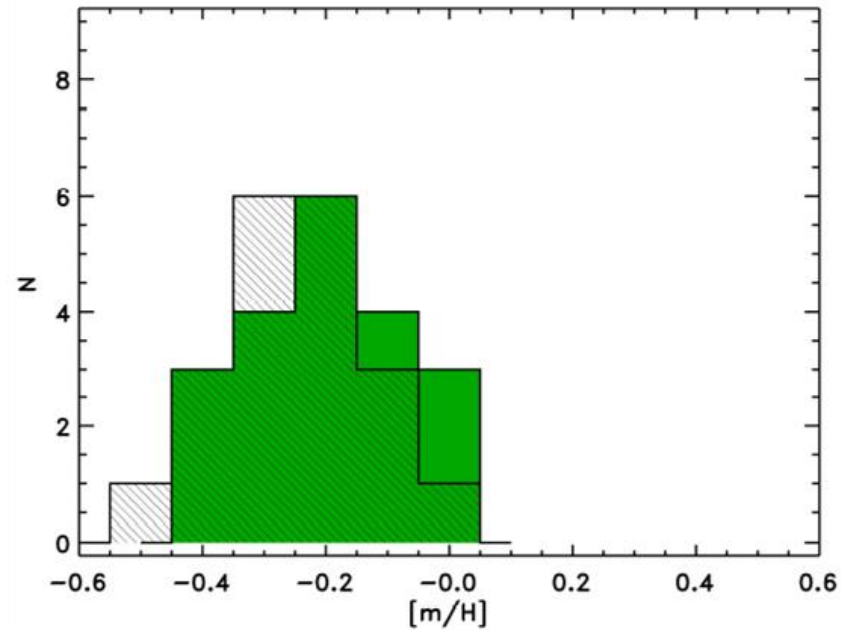
$-0.15 \pm 0.03$  dex



(Niemczura, Daszyńska-Daszkiewicz, 2005)

SPB

$-0.20 \pm 0.03$  dex



(Niemczura, 2003)

# Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars

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## The main scientific goal of the project:

- Is the study **of atmospheres of  $\beta$  Cephei and SPB** (Slowly Pulsating B stars) stars in the young open clusters and Galactic field.
- We will obtain **stellar atmosphere parameters and chemical abundances**.
- This will allow to determine the **relationships between chemical abundances and pulsational parameters of  $\beta$  Cephei and SPB stars**.
- Furthermore, the atmospheric parameters are necessary constraints for future **asteroseismology, an independent method of studying stellar interiors and evolution**.
- **Comparison of pulsating and non-pulsating stars in the cluster.**
- **Searching for interesting  $\beta$  Cephei stars**

## Chemical composition and pulsations of B-type stars

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Our main purpose is to analyse high- and medium-resolution spectra of pulsating  **$\beta$  Cephei** and **SPB** stars in young open clusters.

The main goal of such analysis is the determination of the important stellar parameters of these objects, like:

- effective temperatures,
  - surface gravities,
  - chemical abundances,
  - Microturbulence,
  - rotational velocities.
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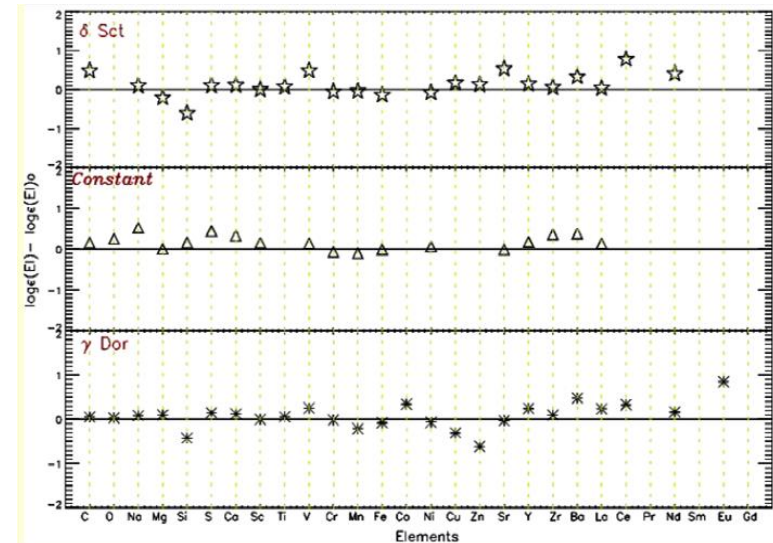
# Spectroscopic Study of Delta Scuti Stars

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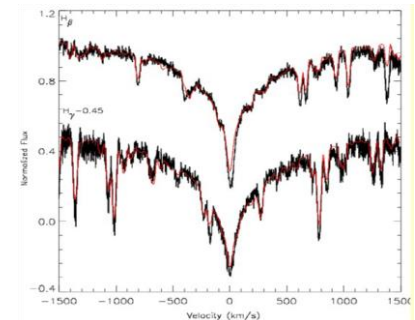
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- HIDES (Okayama observatory, Japan)
  - ARCES (Apache Point Observatory, USA)
- ✓ They are located in the lower part of the classical Cepheid instability strip.
  - ✓ Scuti stars have spectral types from **A to early F** with luminosity classes V to III.
  - ✓ These variables pulsate in both **radial and nonradial pressure modes driven by the kappa mechanism.**
  - ✓ Sct stars typically exhibit pulsations with the periods ranging from **0.02 to 0.25** days with amplitudes lower than **0.5 mag**

(Chang et al. 2013)



Average abundances of Delta Sct, Gamma Dor and constant F-type stars.



# Global Astrophysical Telescope System

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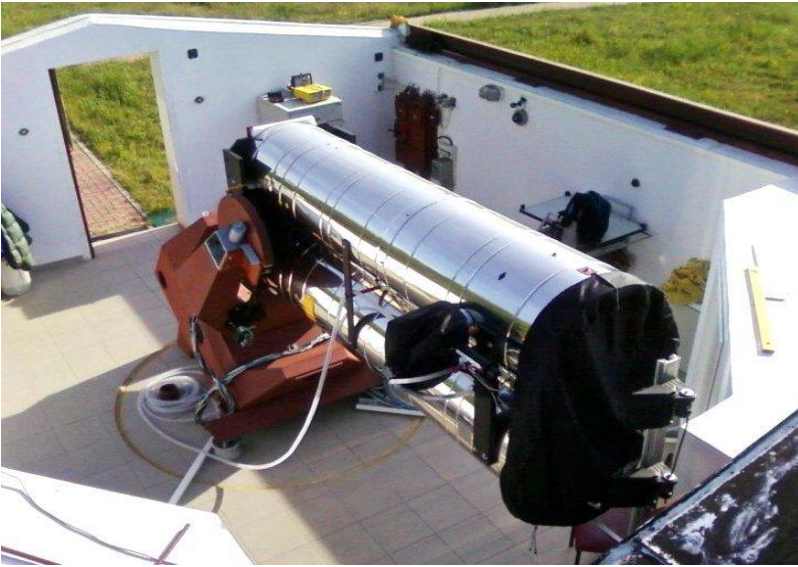
## PST1 (Poznań Spectroscopic Telescope)

in operation since summer 2007 at Borowiec Astrogeodynamic Observatory near Poznań in **Poland**

## PST2 - RBT (Roman Baranowski Telescope)

has started regular observations at the end of 2013 in Winer Observatory (Arizona), **USA**





The PST 1 composed of:

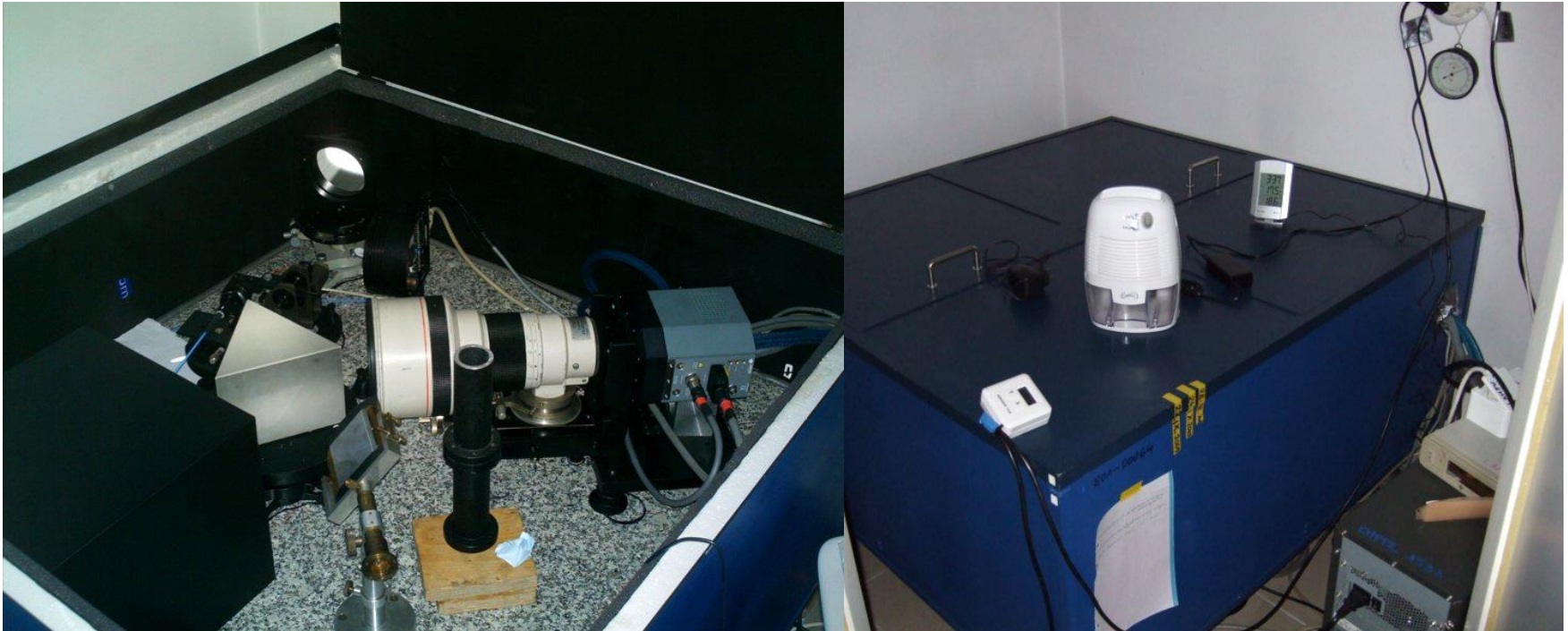
- binary **2 x 0.5 m** Newtonian telescope,
- fibre-fed echelle spectrograph of resolution **R~35000**,
- low noise back-illuminated 2k x 2k Andor DZ 436 CCD camera,

which may be used in several different modes:

- 1) In basic mode only single mirror is used for spectroscopy.
- 2) In second mode both mirrors will be used to produce two simultaneous echelle spectra of the same object.
- 3) Third mode allows for simultaneous photometric and spectroscopic observations.



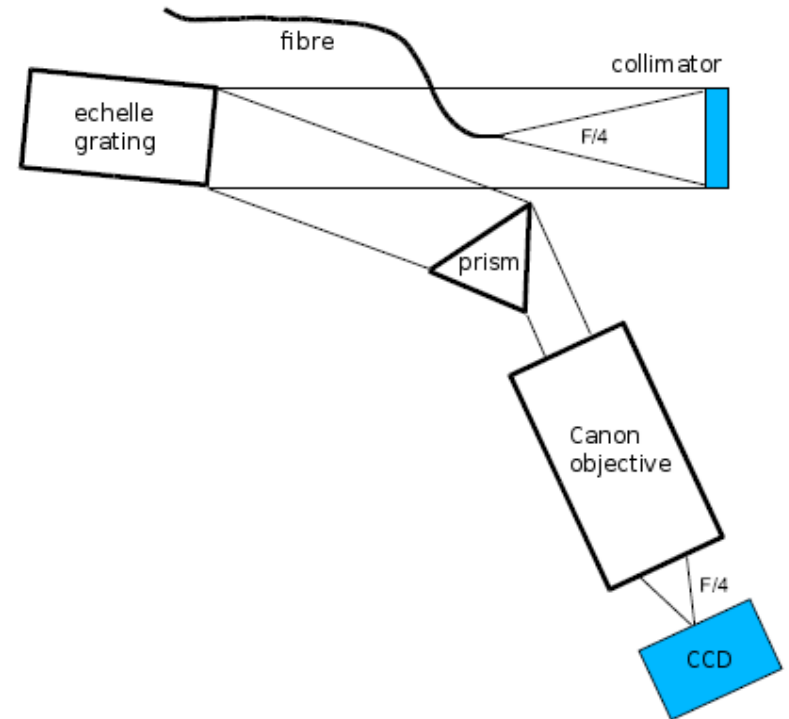
PST1 echelle spectrograph of a resolution of 35000. The spectral range covers 64 echelle orders with wavelength from 4280 Å to 7500 Å.

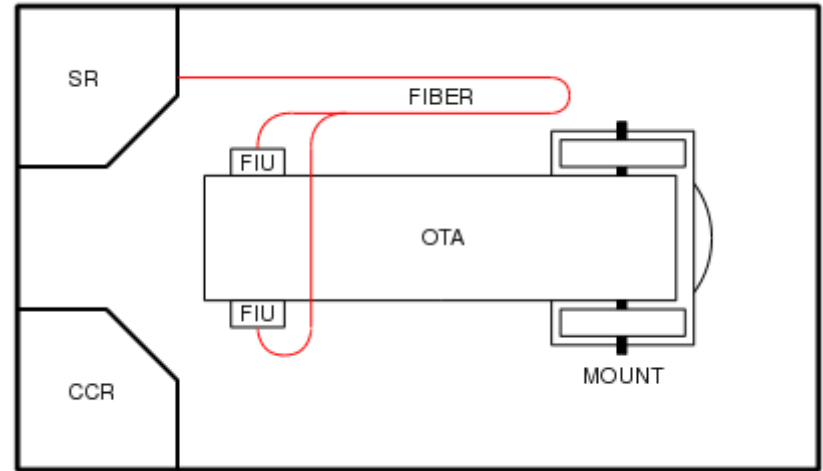


Optical construction is based on a modified MUSICOS (Baudrand and Bohm, 1992)

# PST1 echelle spectrograph scheme

PST 1

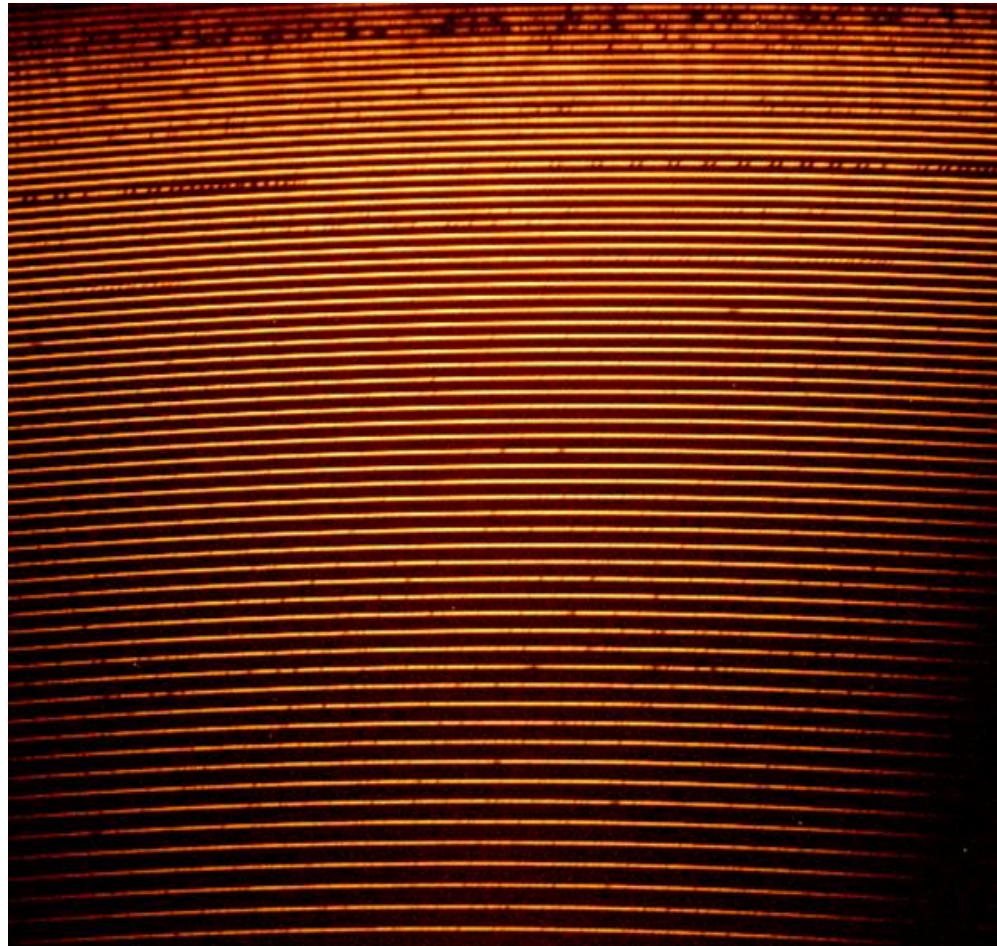




**Schematic drawing of PST1 housing:**

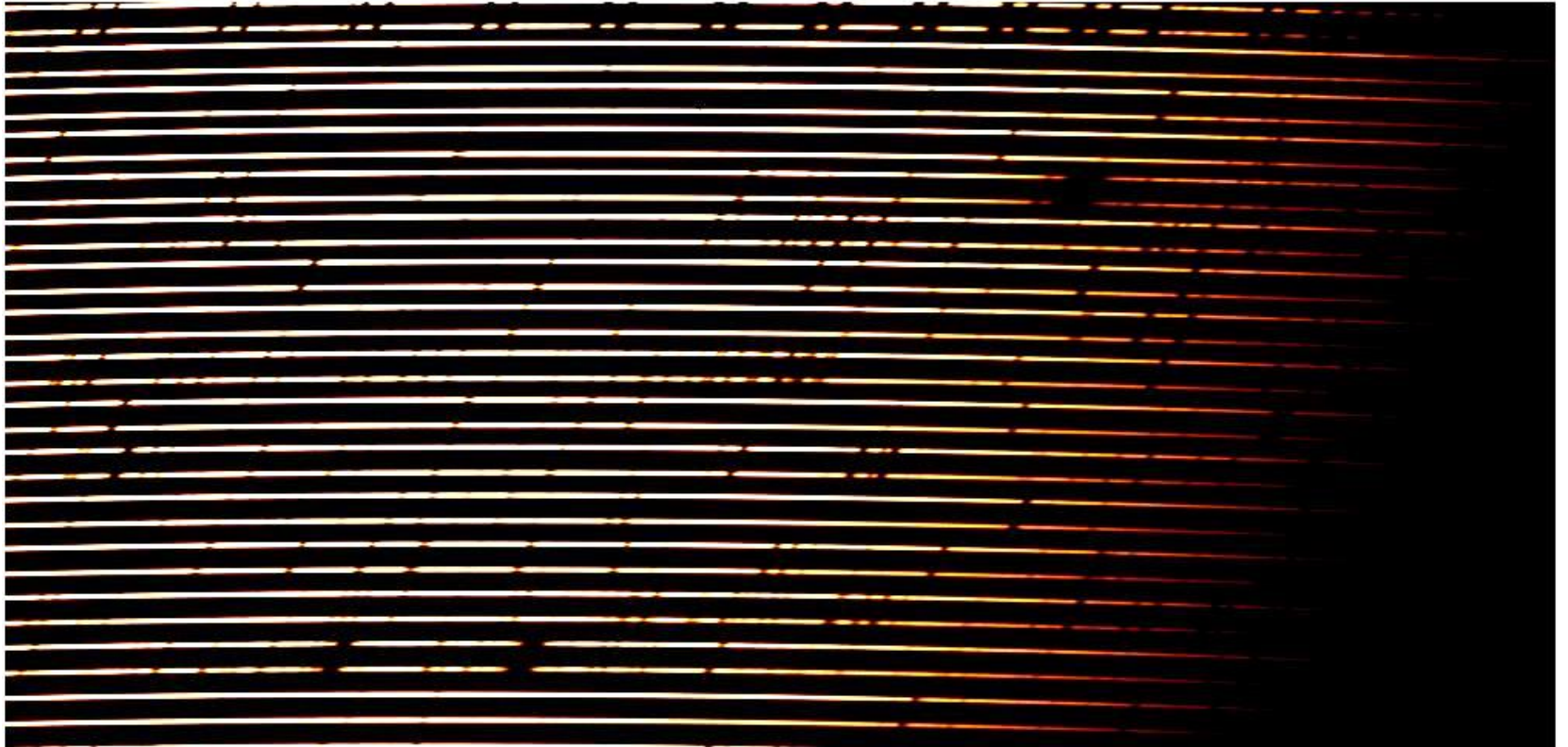
FIU - fiber injection unit,  
 CCR - computer control room,  
 SR - spectrograph room,  
 OTA - binary Newtonian telescope.

blue range: 1 pix = 0.04 A order length = 80 A  
middle: 1 pix = 0.05 A order length = 100 A  
red range: 1 pix = 0.08 A order length = 160 A



## Two mirror observing mode

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Rough estimate of exposure times and S/N ratios for objects with different magnitudes brightness which were observed by PST1

<b>V mag</b>	<b>Exp. Time [s]</b>	<b>S/N</b>	<b><math>\sigma</math> RV [m/s]</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>1800</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>200</b>

We are able to achieve S/N~100 for V=7 stars with 60 min. exposure time. This means that we can precisely measure radial velocities for late type stars up to about 11.5 mag.

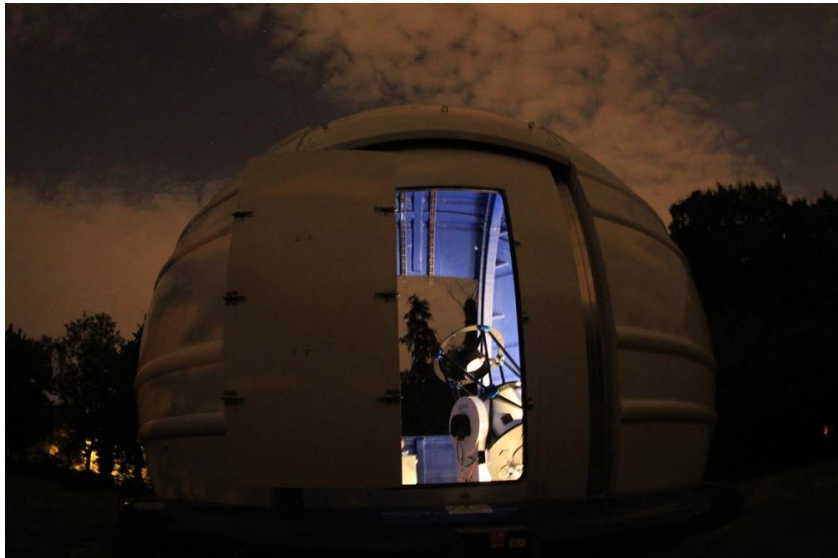
## PST 2 - RBT

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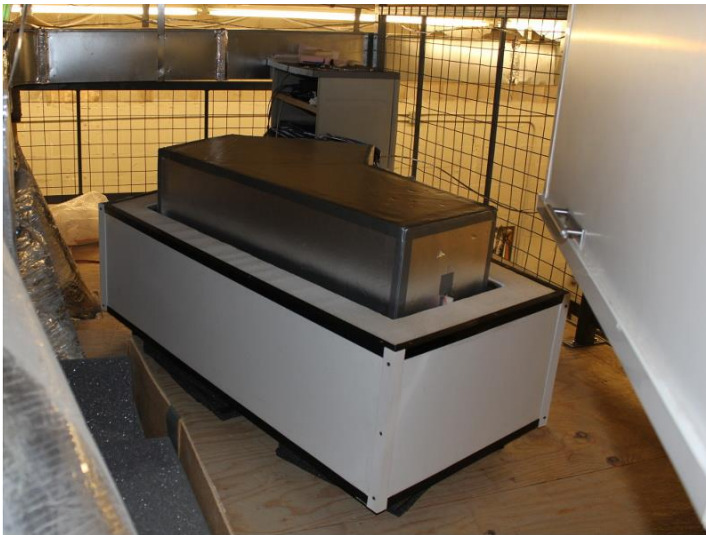


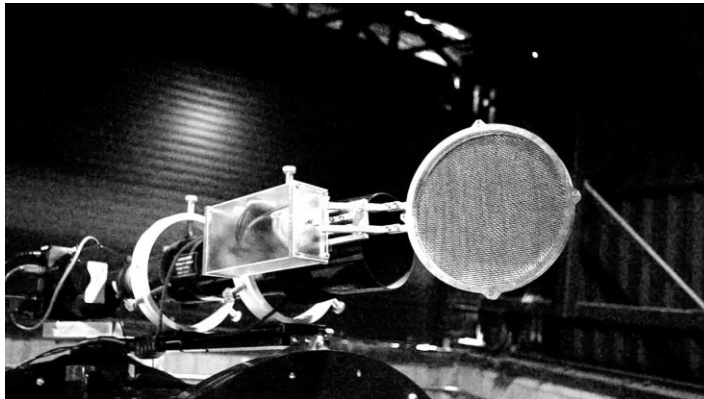
- upgraded version of first spectroscope PST1
- It is placed in better astro-climate in USA (Winer Observatory)
- placed at 126 degrees in longitude from the PST1

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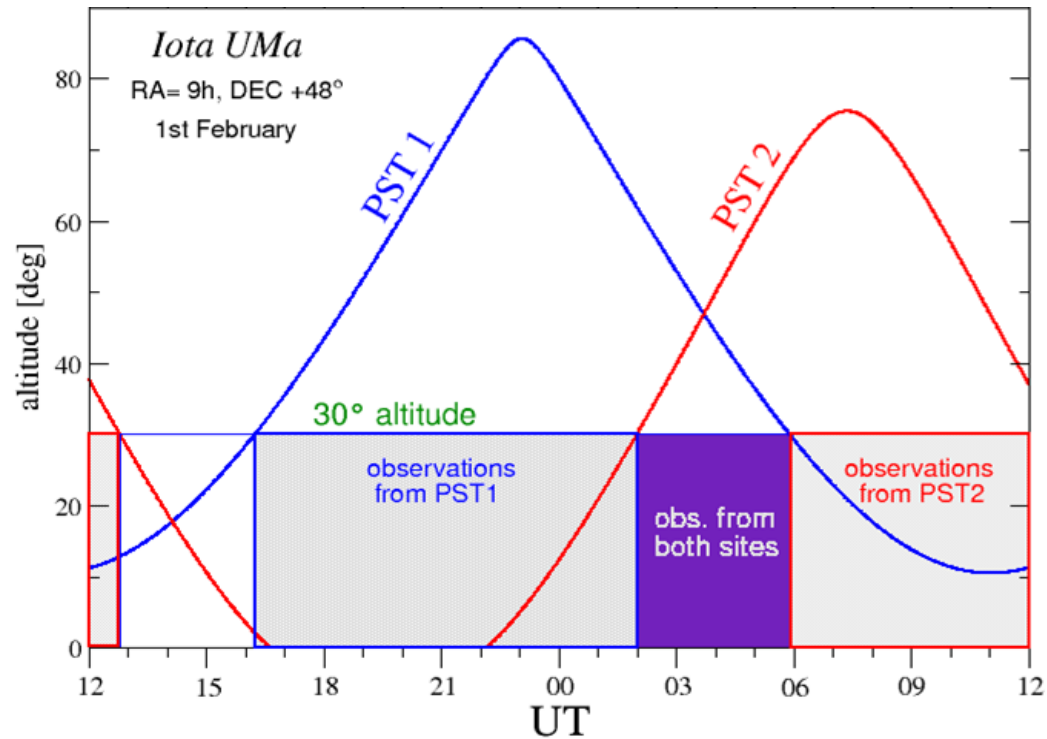


The metal mesh installed on PST2

### The PST 2 consists of:

- Planewave CDK700 0.7 m f/6.6 robotic telescope (Corrected Dall-Kirkham, dual Nasmyth focus)
- fibre-fed echelle spectrograph of resolution  **$R \sim 40000$** , with exposimeter capable of making measurements during spectroscopic exposure,
- Spectroscopic CCD camera Andor iKon-L 936 back-illuminated,
- Photometric CCD camera Andor iXon3 Back-illuminated,
- 0.1 m, f/5 guide telescope (on top of the 0.7 m telescope) with photometric camera and **objective wire mesh** with pitch 1.5 x 1.5 mm.

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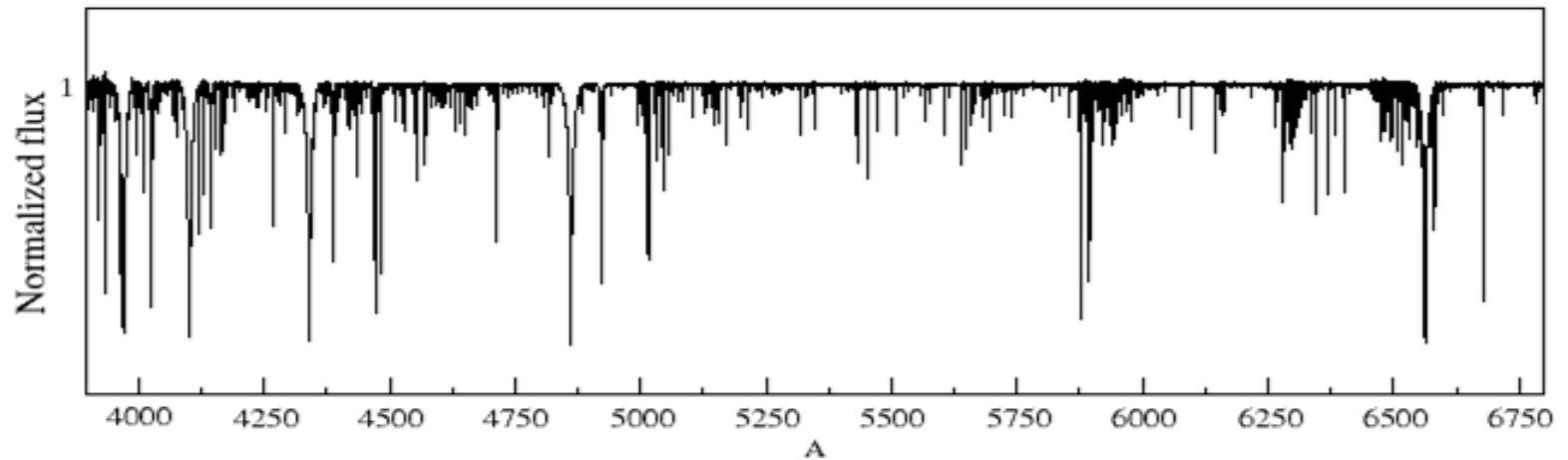


Example of simulation of GATS duty-cycle observations with changes of altitude of Iota UMa from PST1 and PST2 site in 1st February.

## Sample data of $\iota$ Her obtained with GATS

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### Spectroscopy from PST2

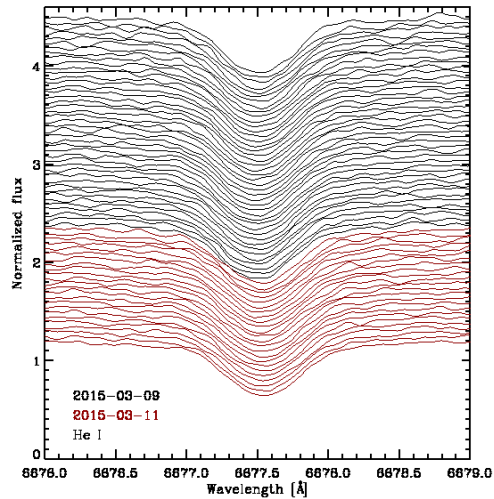


Average spectrum of  $\iota$  Her (from 393 spectra)

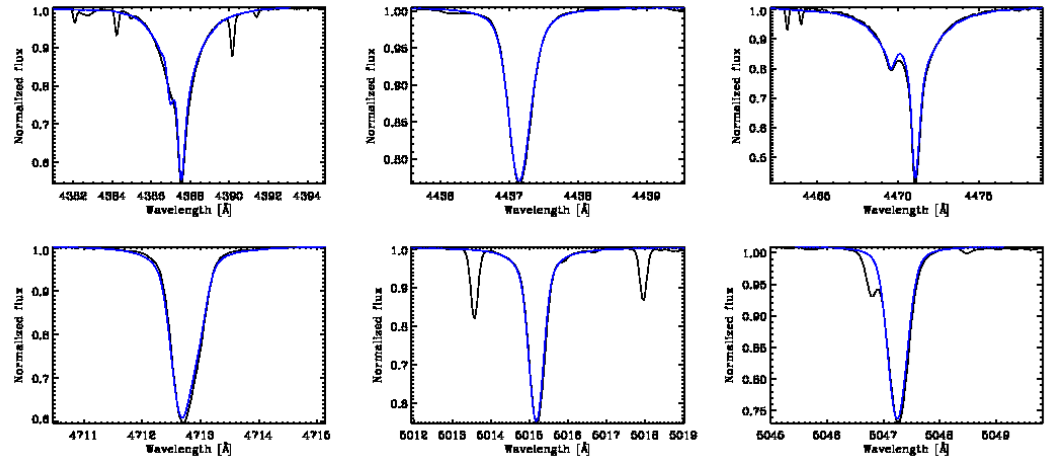
**S/N ~ 600**

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## Sample data of $\iota$ Her obtained with GATS with



Profile line of He I,  
dates 2015-03-09 and  
2015-03-11



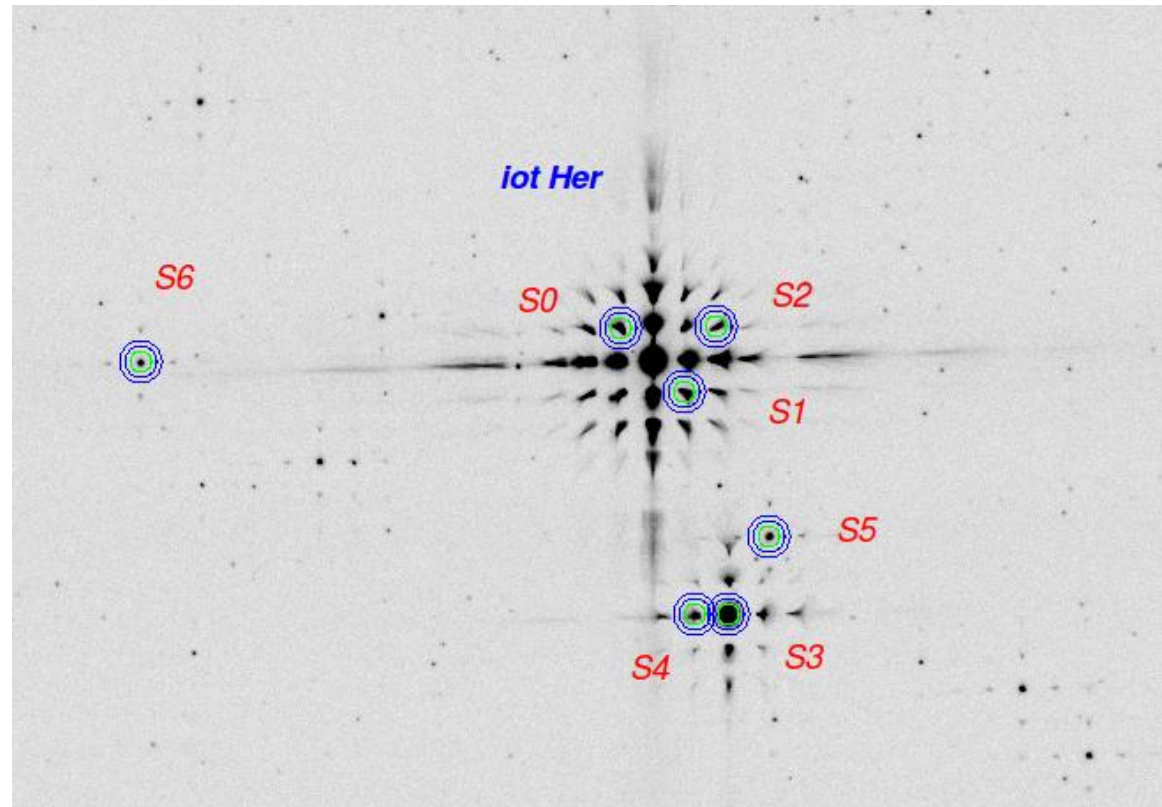
Fit of the model (blue lines) to profile line of He



## Sample data of $\iota$ Her obtained with GATS

### Photometry from PST2 2015 - 03 - 10

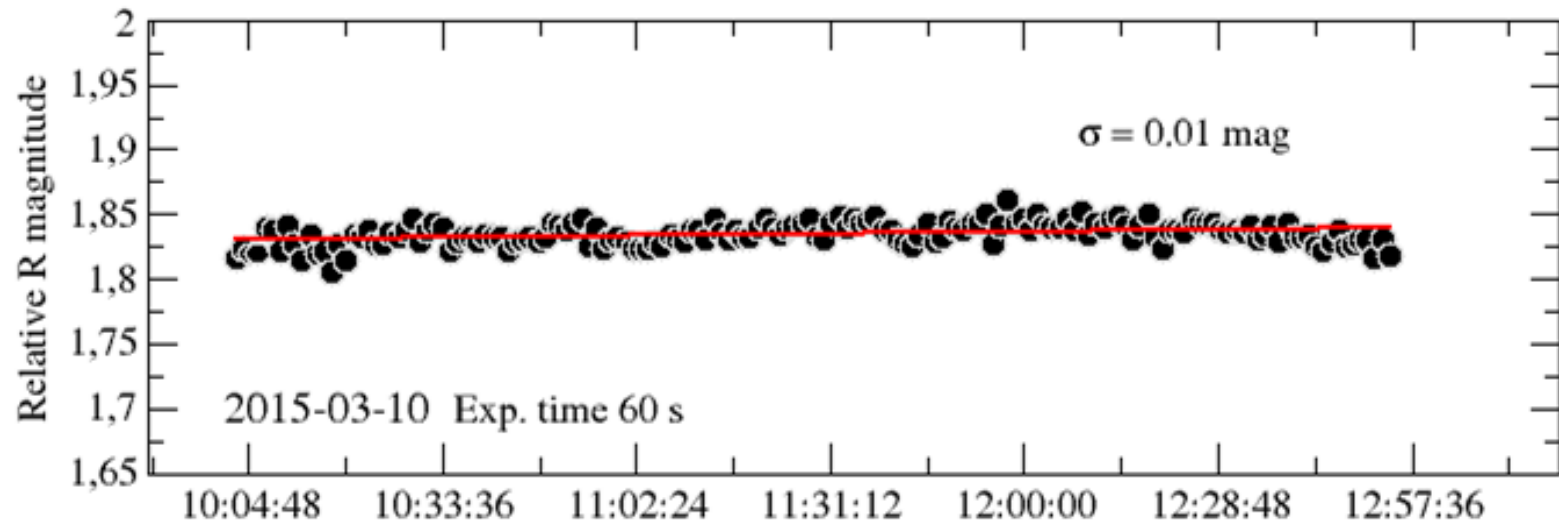
Photometric observation of  $\iota$  Her,  $V \approx 3.8$  mag. Apertures are marked with circles, respectively S 0-1 star  $\iota$  Her and S 3-6 stars taken to relative photometry.



Exposure time = 60 s, Filter R

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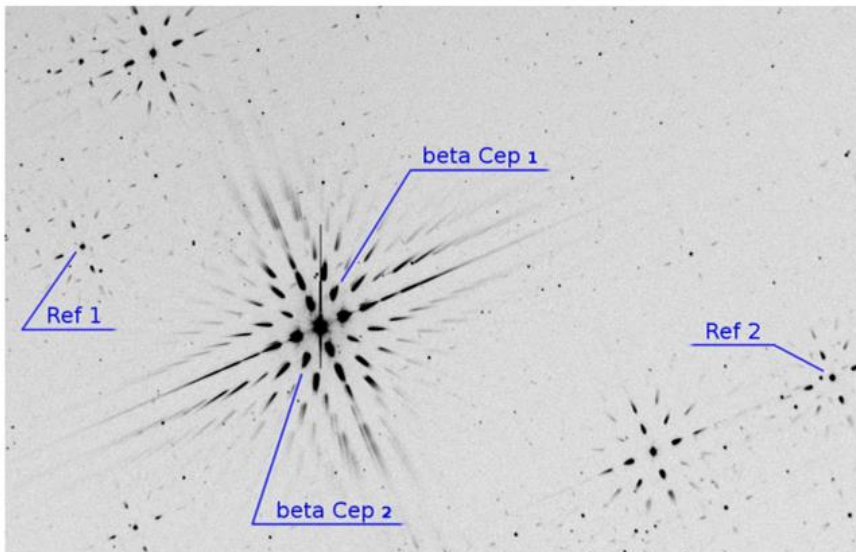
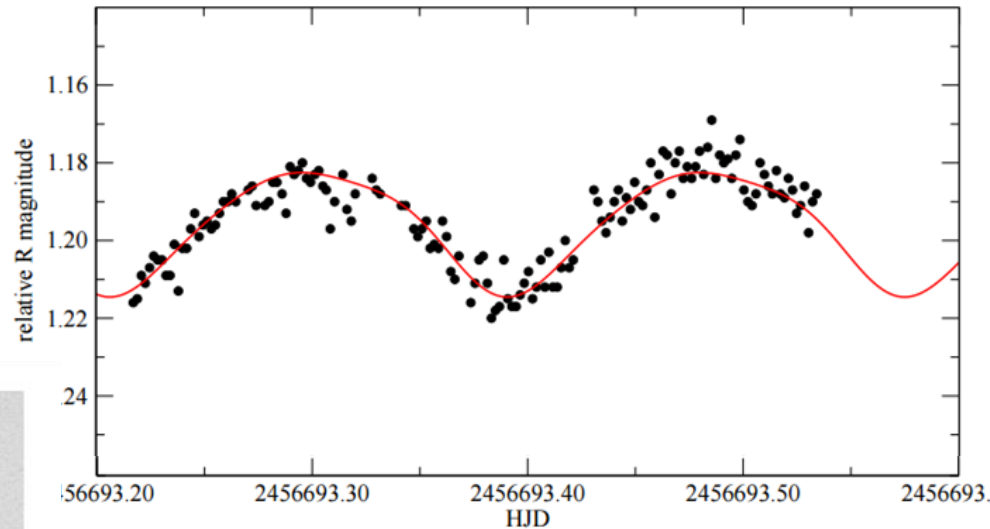


Relative photometry between  $S0$   $\iota$  Her and  $S3$  relative star apertures. The red line shows a last-square linear fit with precision is one hundredth magnitude.

# $\beta$ Cephei

PST 2 - RBT

Image of  $\beta$  Cephei,  $V \approx 3.2$  mag, taken through the wire mesh. Two measured diffraction images of the target star and the reference stars are marked. Ref 2  $V=8.2$ , Ref 1  $V=9.0$  - as a check star.



Differential light curve of the first order diffraction image of  $\beta$  Cephei with respect to 0-order image of the reference star (Ref 2).

150s exposure.

Smooth curve marks the least-square fit of 3 harmonic Fourier series.

(Kamiński et al. 2014)

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## GATS project main research topics:

- eclipsing binary stars,
- asteroseismology of hybrid pulsating stars,
- stellar rotation and dynamical evolution in binary eclipsing stars,
- stellar activity cycles.

## Additionally:

- photometric observations of asteroids from Main Belt and Near Earth Objects, satellites and space debris.



- GATS project is also intended to cooperate with BRITE satellites constellation and supplement its photometry with radial velocity measurements and spectroscopic observations.
- Lem and Hevelius - Polish satellites

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