



Binarity among late-type stars: systems with and without white dwarfs

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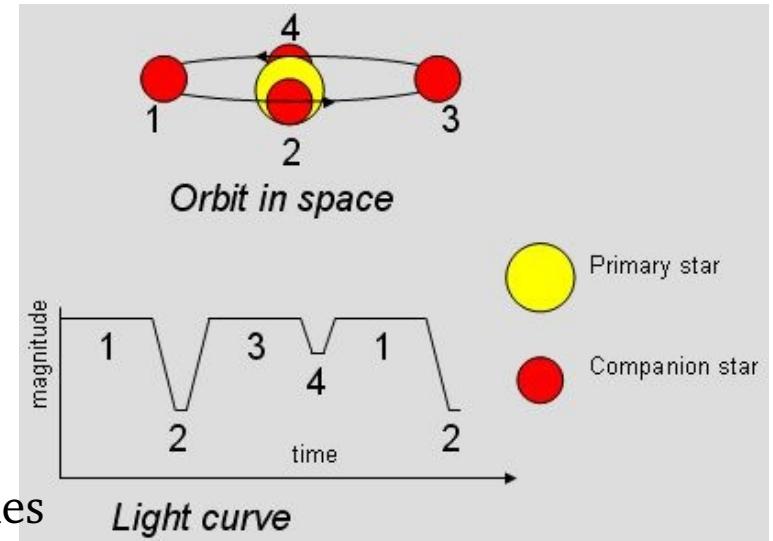
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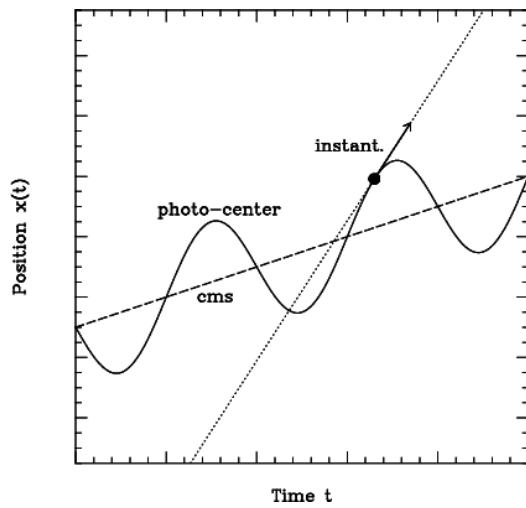
Why studying binary stars?



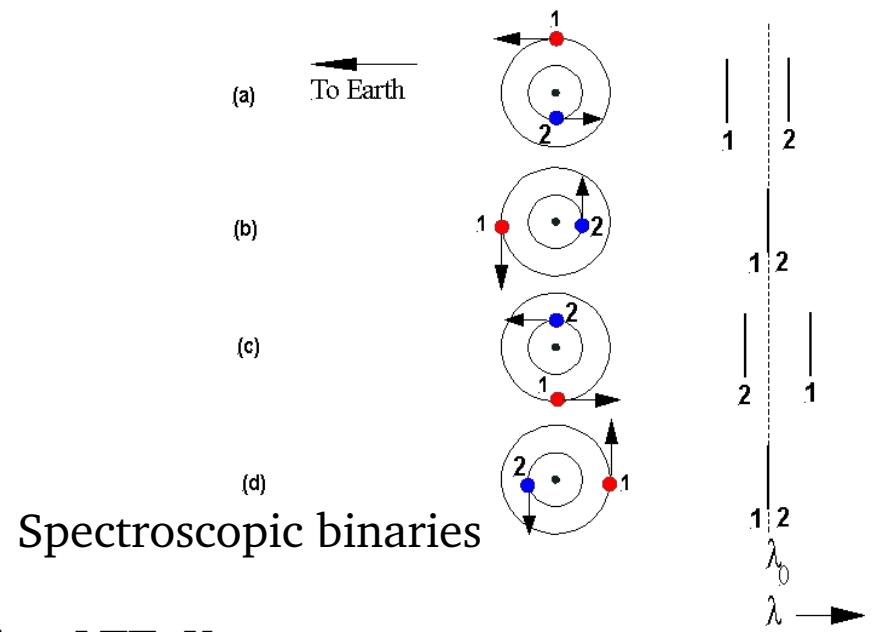
Visual binaries



Eclipsing binaries



Astrometric binaries



Spectroscopic binaries

But also: occultation binaries, LTT, X, ...

Why studying low and intermediate mass binary stars?

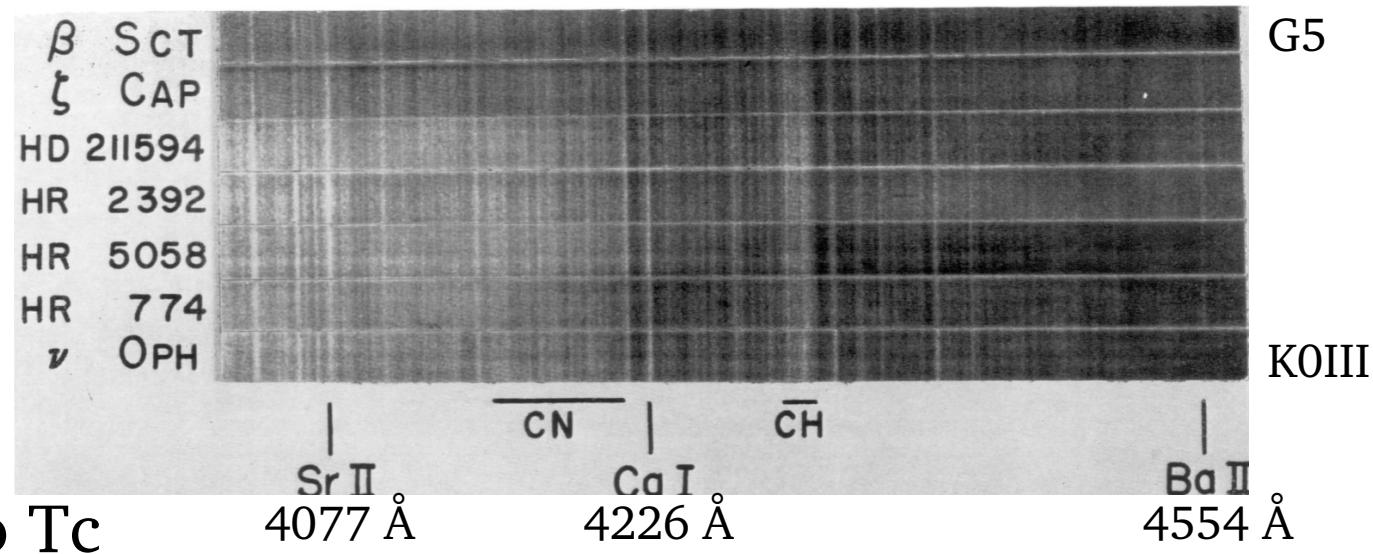
- Stellar physics: direct measurement of physical quantities (mass, radius, temperature, luminosity)
- Fundamental for stellar evolution:
 - Constraints on the interaction of the binary components
 - Constraints on possible scenarios of stellar evolution
- Various classes of stars with peculiar abundances (Ba stars, CH stars, Tc-poor, S stars, symbiotic stars, etc.)

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- Barium stars

- s-process elts
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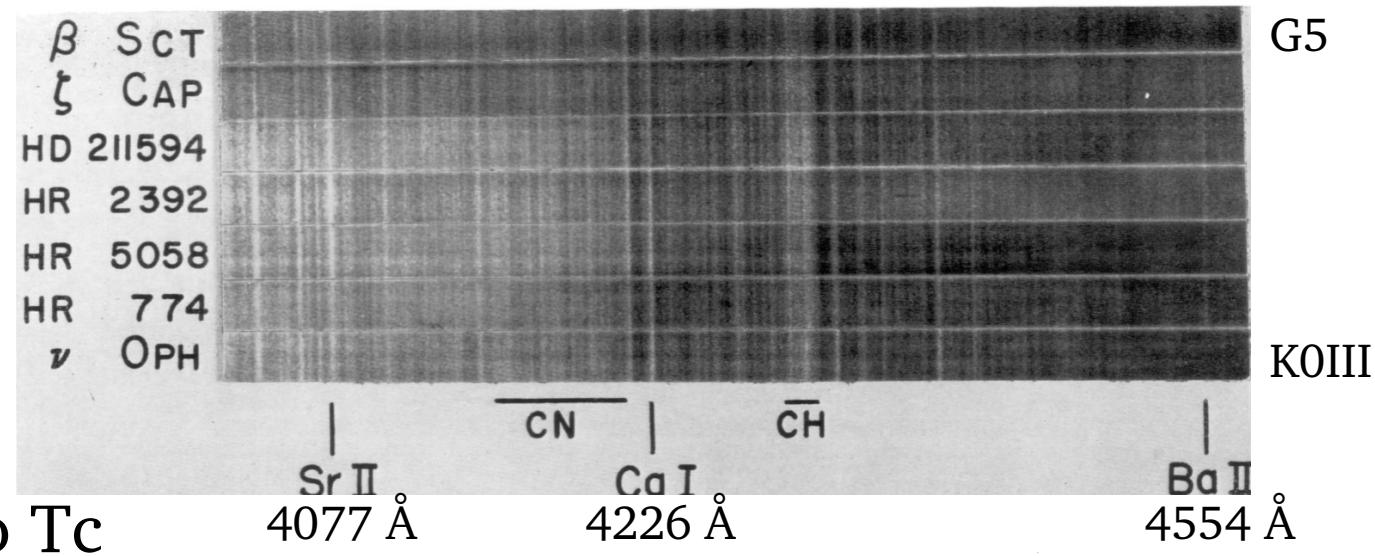
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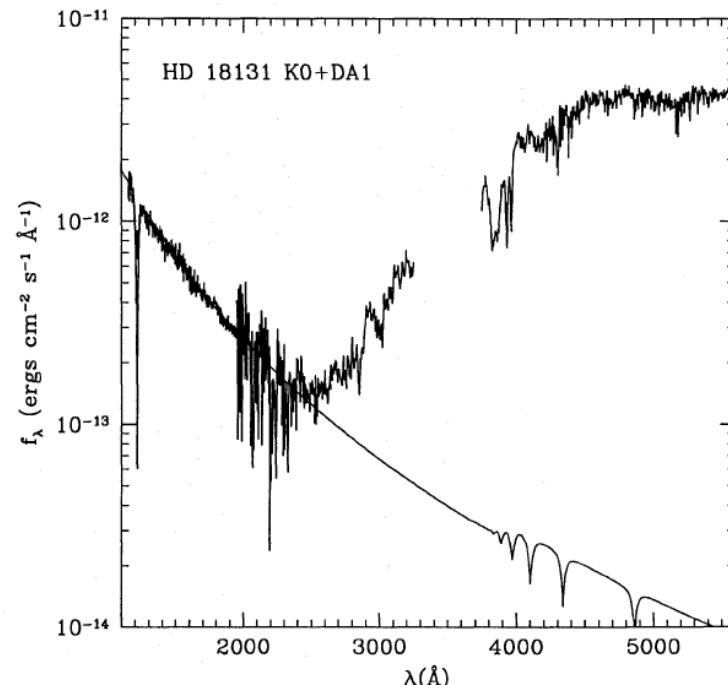
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- Far-UV & X-ray, satellites:

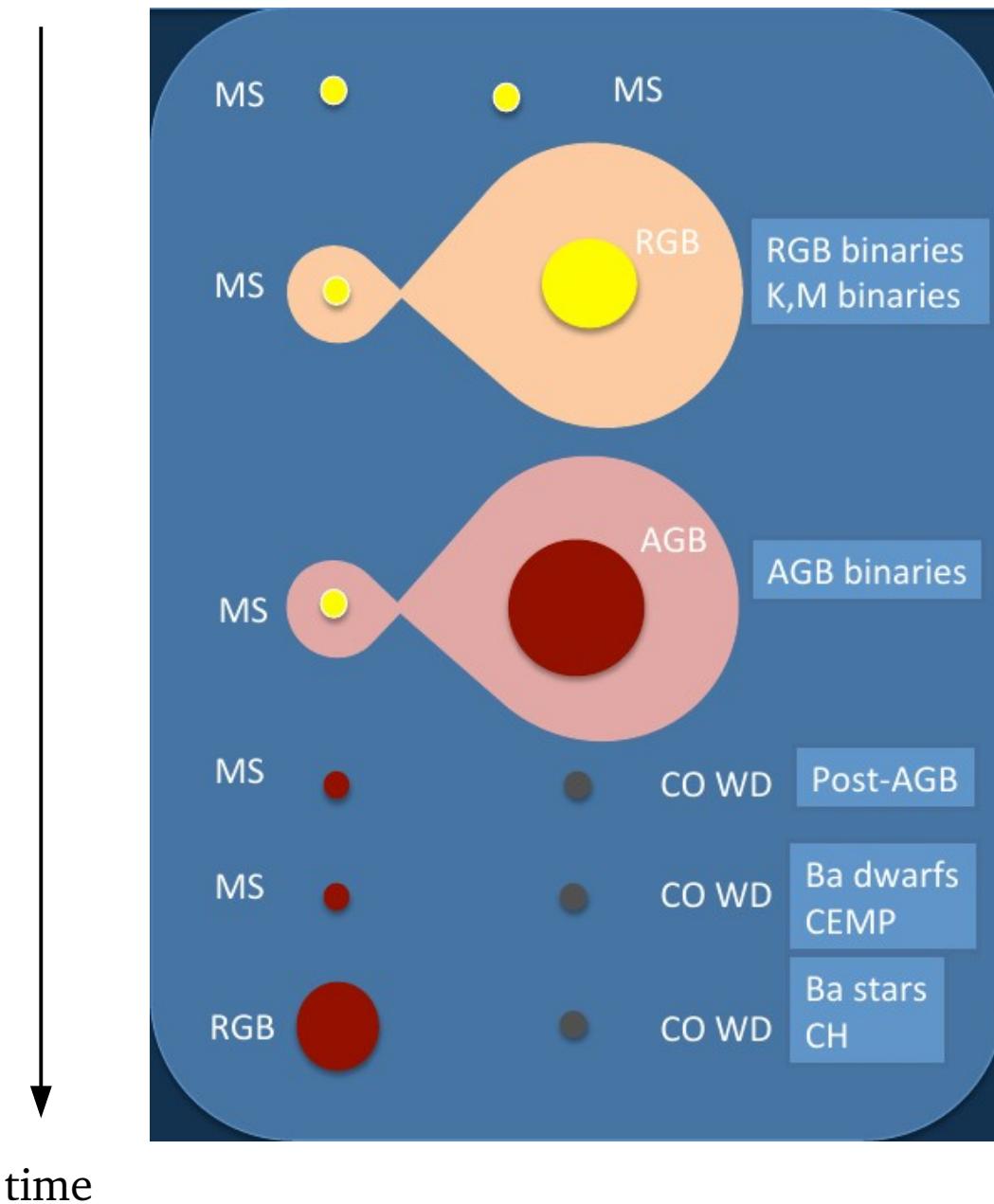
- EUVE, XMM-Newton, ROSAT, GALEX, ...

WD companion (Gray et al. 2011)

Vennes et al. (1995)

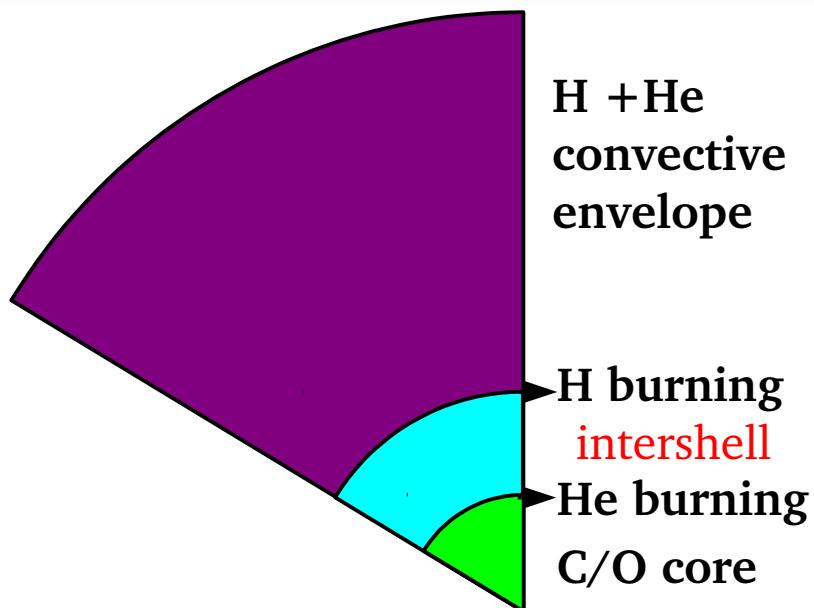
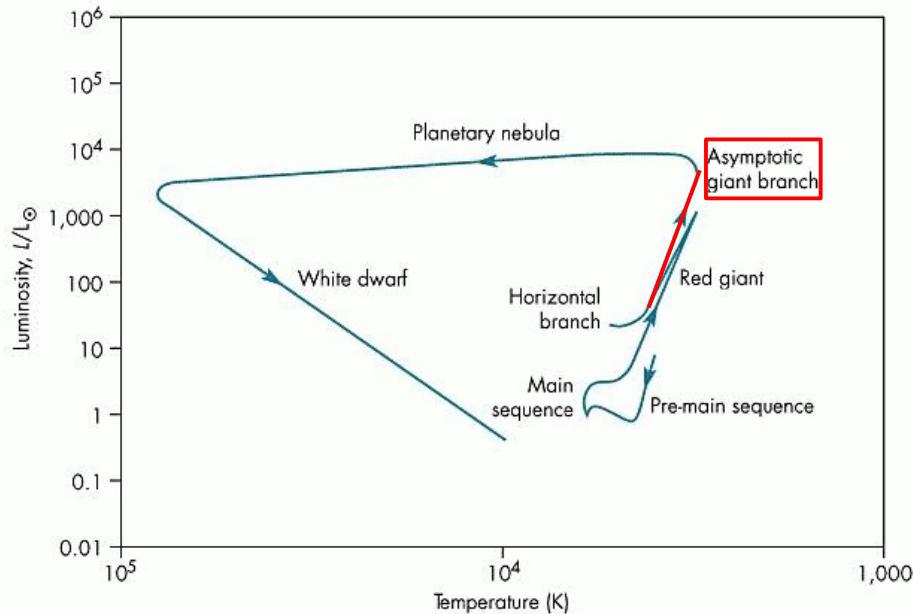


What is the s-process pollution paradigm in binary stars?



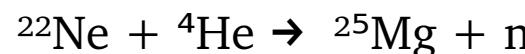
The standard scenario
(e.g. Jorissen 2003)

Thermal pulses and 3DU on the AGB phase

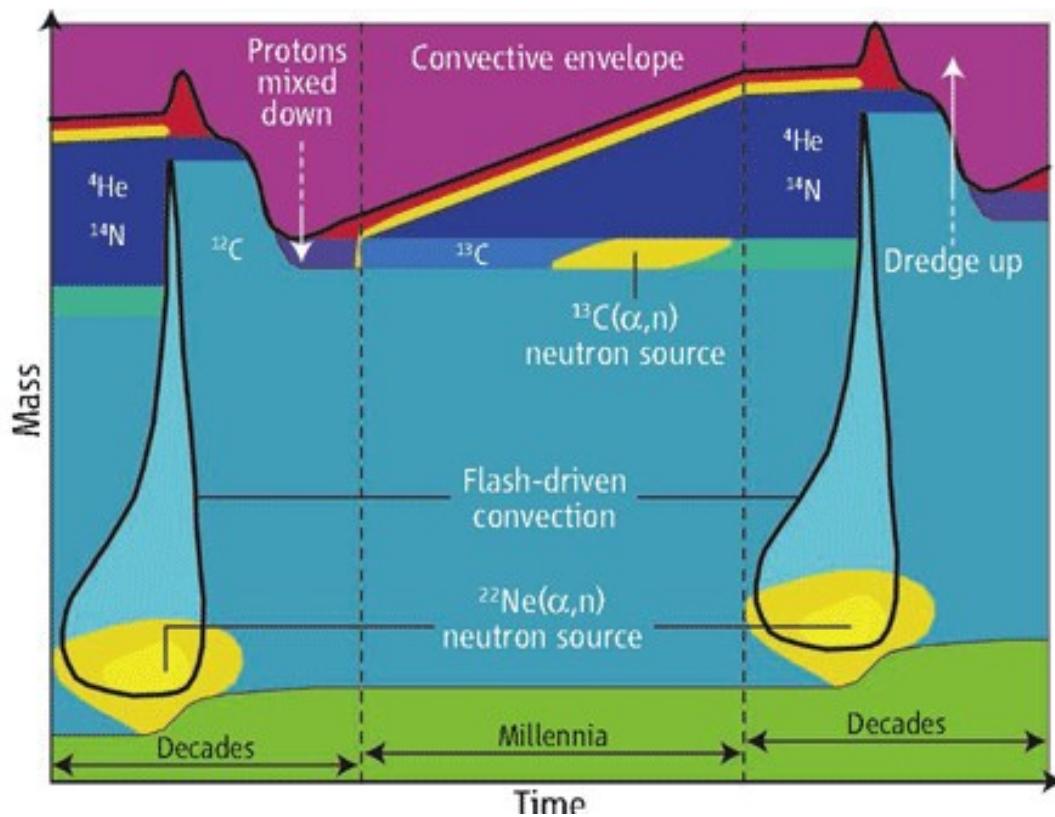


Boothroyd, Science 2006

Neutron source :



Neutron capture on Fe seeds provide s-process elements released in the outer convective layer at the next 3DU.



The HERMES@MERCATOR spectrograph



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MERCATOR telescope
(KULeuven)

- Roque de los Muchachos Observatory
(La Palma, Spain)
- 1.20 m

HERMES spectrograph
(Raskin et al. 2011)

- Fiber fed echelle
- 380 – 900 nm
- R~85000



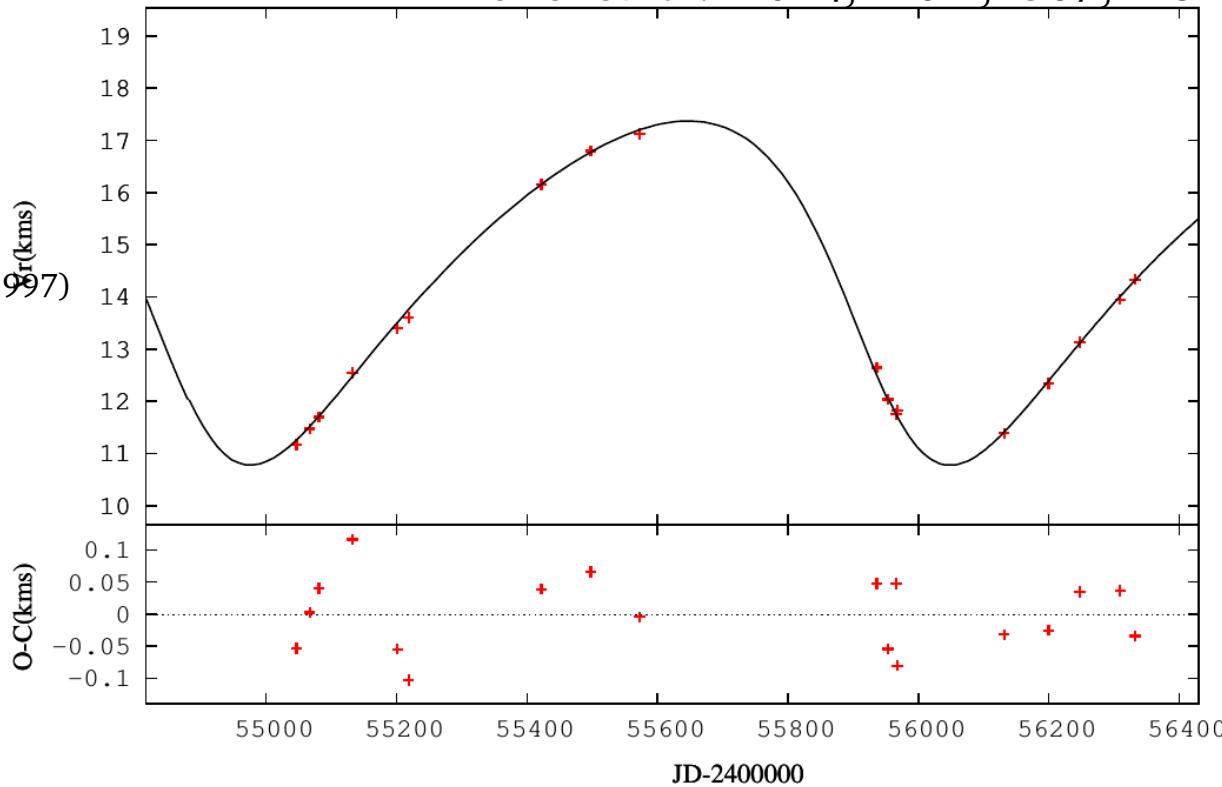
- Radial velocity monitoring
- Abundance analysis

IP Eri: a long-period binary system with a He WD

Merle et al. 2014, A&A, 567, A3

- **Binary system:**

- UV source (ROSAT, EUVE)
Hot WD DA
 $\text{Teff} = 30000 \text{ K}$, $\log g = 7.5$ (Burleigh 1997)
 - K0 sub-giant
 $d = 100 \text{ pc}$ (Hipparcos)
 $M < 4.3 M_{\odot}$
 $v\sin i < 5 \text{ km/s}$ (Cutispoto et al. 1995)



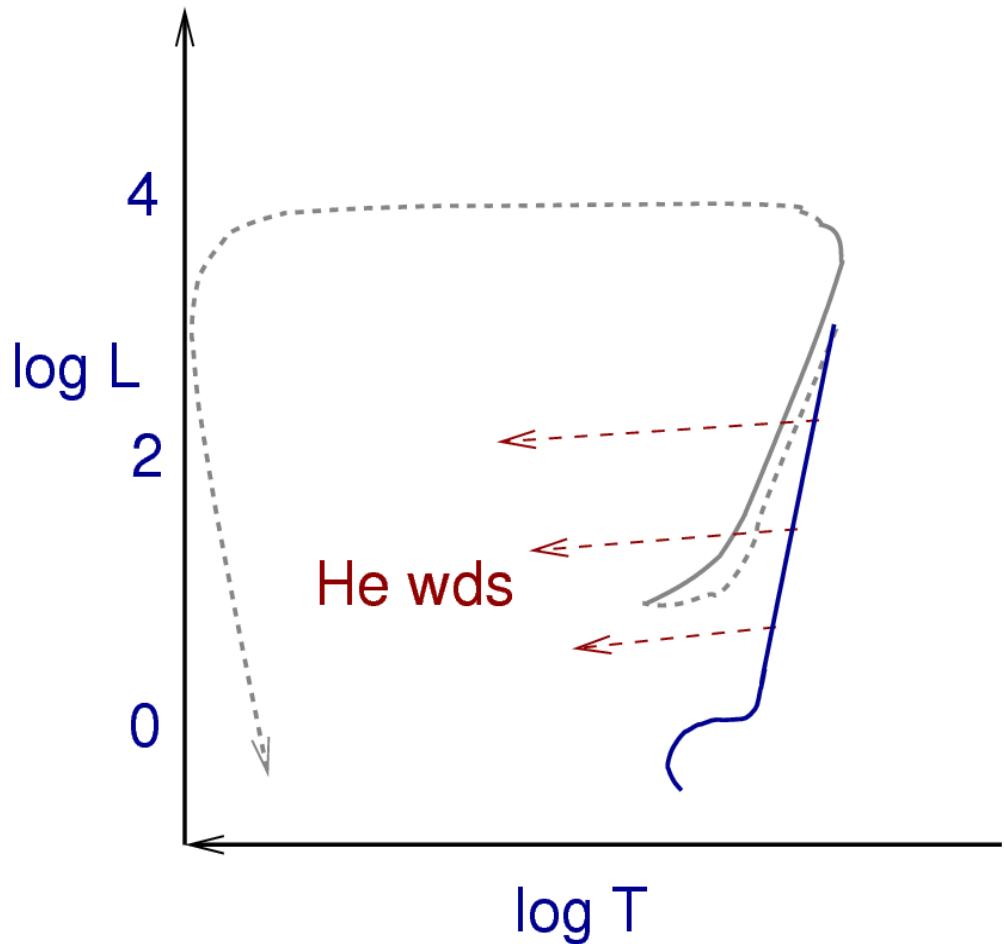
- **Observations:**

- HERMES/Mercator
 - 18 spectra from August 2009 to February 2013

- **Orbital parameters:**

- $P = 1071.0 \pm 1.8 \text{ d}$
 - $e = 0.25 \pm 0.01$
 - $f(M) = (3.6 \pm 0.1) \cdot 10^{-3} M_{\odot}$

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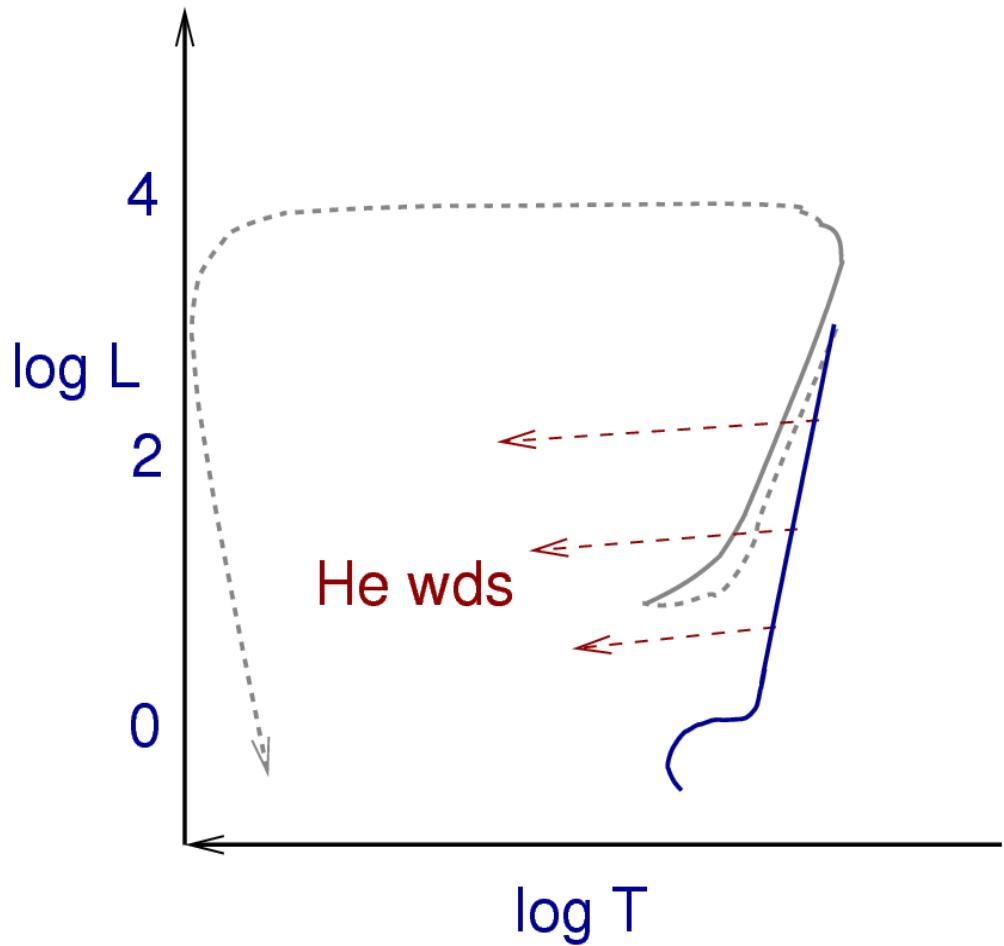
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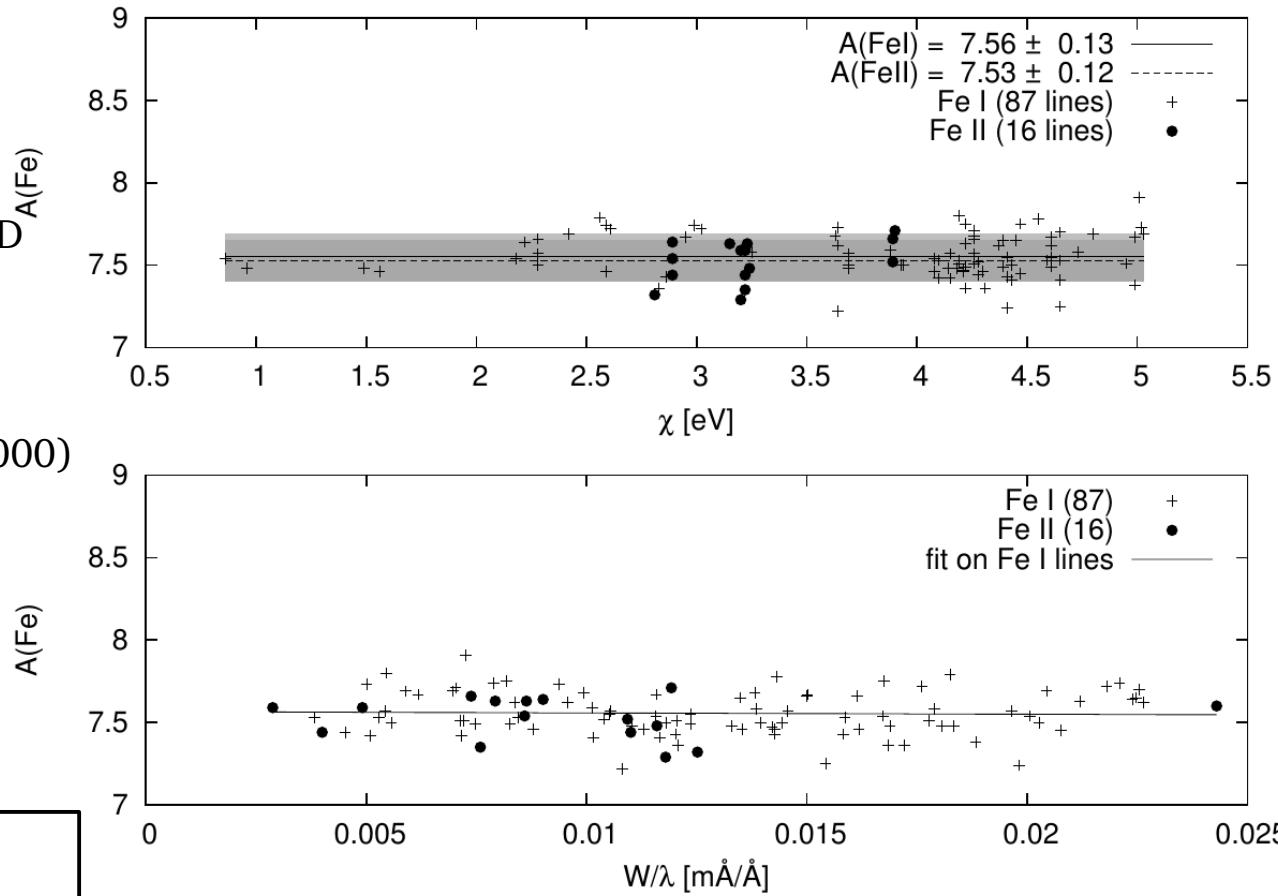
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→ **Mass transfer in a binary system**

IP Eri: atmospheric parameters

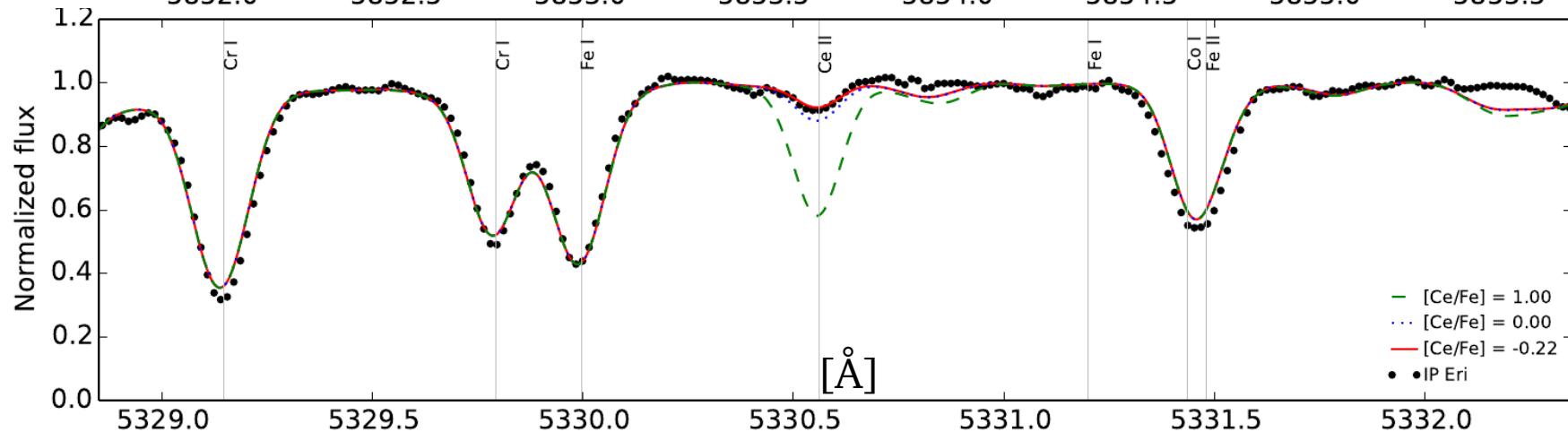
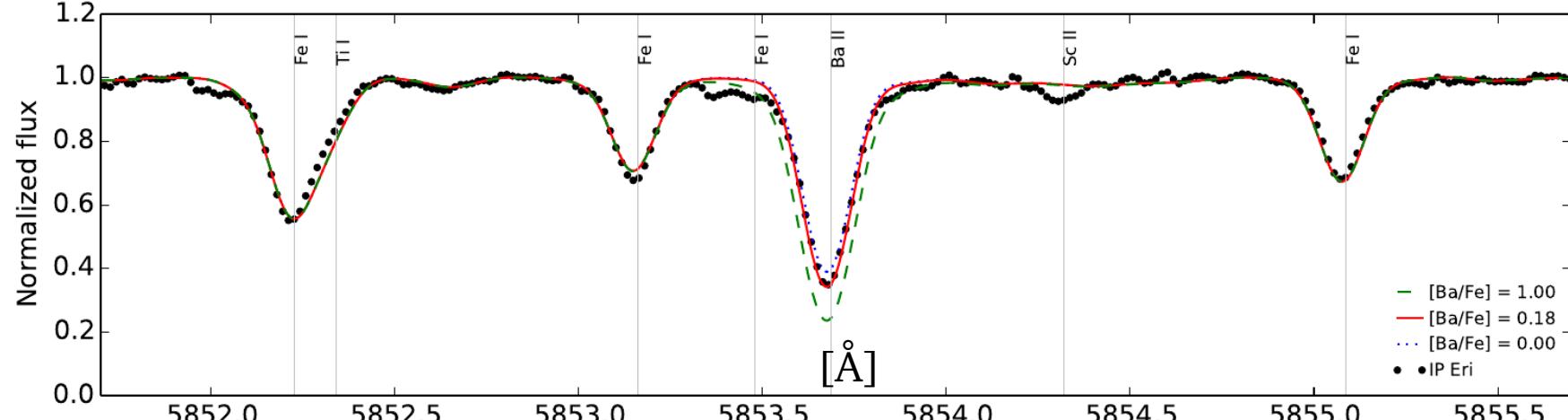
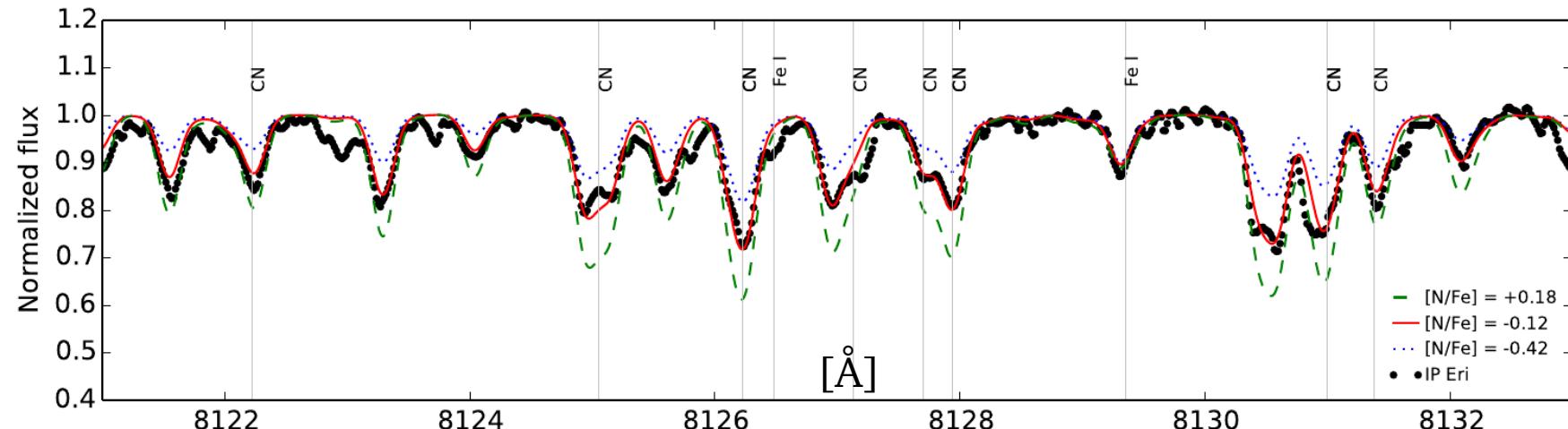
- Based on equivalent widths (EW) of Fe
- Using BACCHUS pipeline
(T. Masseron):
overlay on top of Turbospectrum 1D
LTE radiative transfer code
(Plez 2012)
- Linelist from VALD (Kupka et al. 2000)
and Gaia-ESO-Survey
- Model atmospheres from MARCS
(Gustafsson et al. 2008)

$T_{\text{eff}} = 4960 \pm 100 \text{ K}$
 $\log g = 3.3 \pm 0.3 \text{ dex}$
 $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.09 \pm 0.08 \text{ dex}$
 $\xi = 1.5 \pm 0.1 \text{ km/s}$



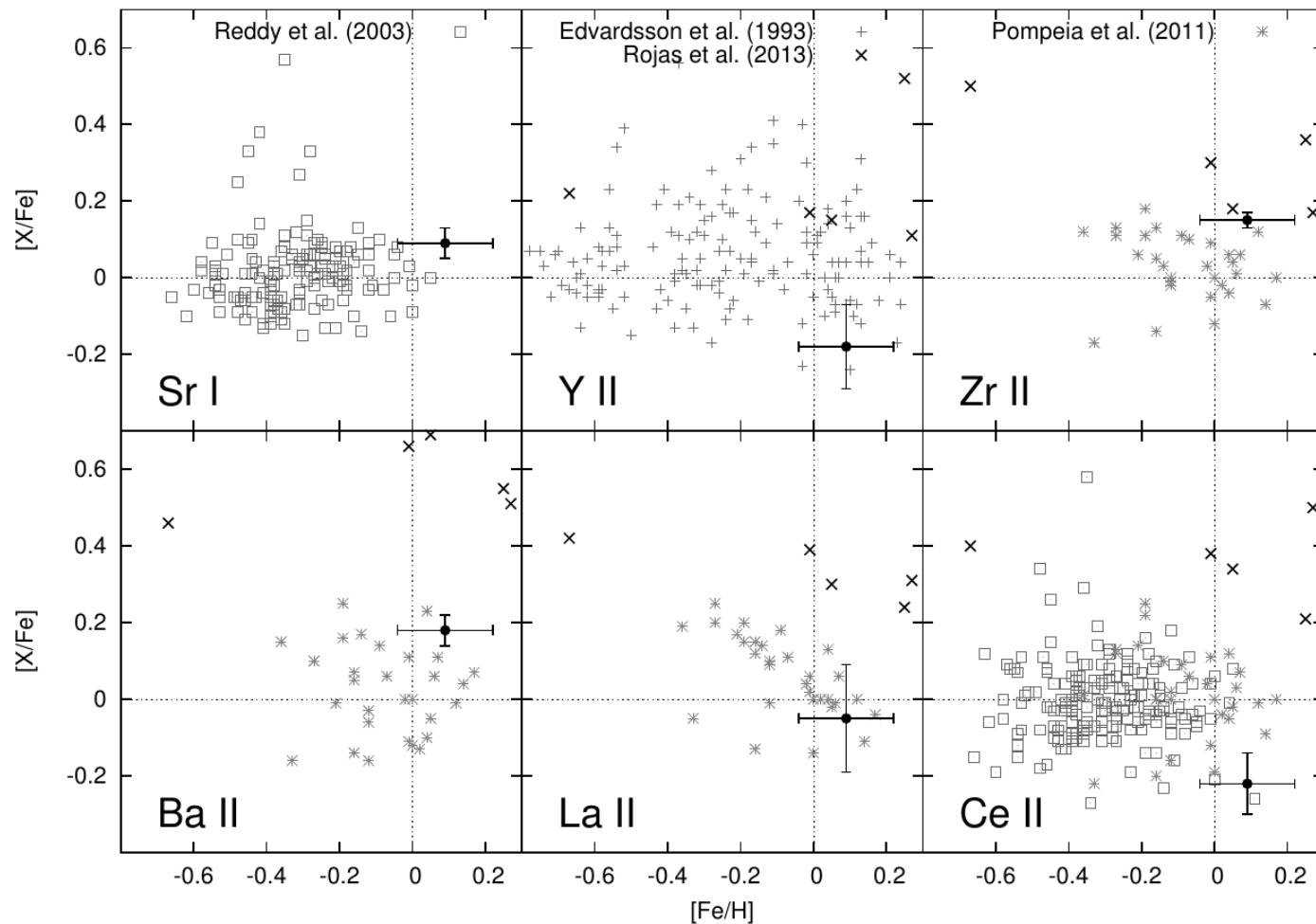
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IP Eri: abundance analysis



IP Eri: enriched in s-process?

Merle et al. 2014



Reddy et al. (2003)



Edvardsson et al. (1993)



Pompeia et al. (2011)



- $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.09 \pm 0.08$
- $[\text{C}/\text{Fe}] = 0.08 \pm 0.16$

Not C-enriched

$^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C} > 20$

- s-element abundances typical of disk stars

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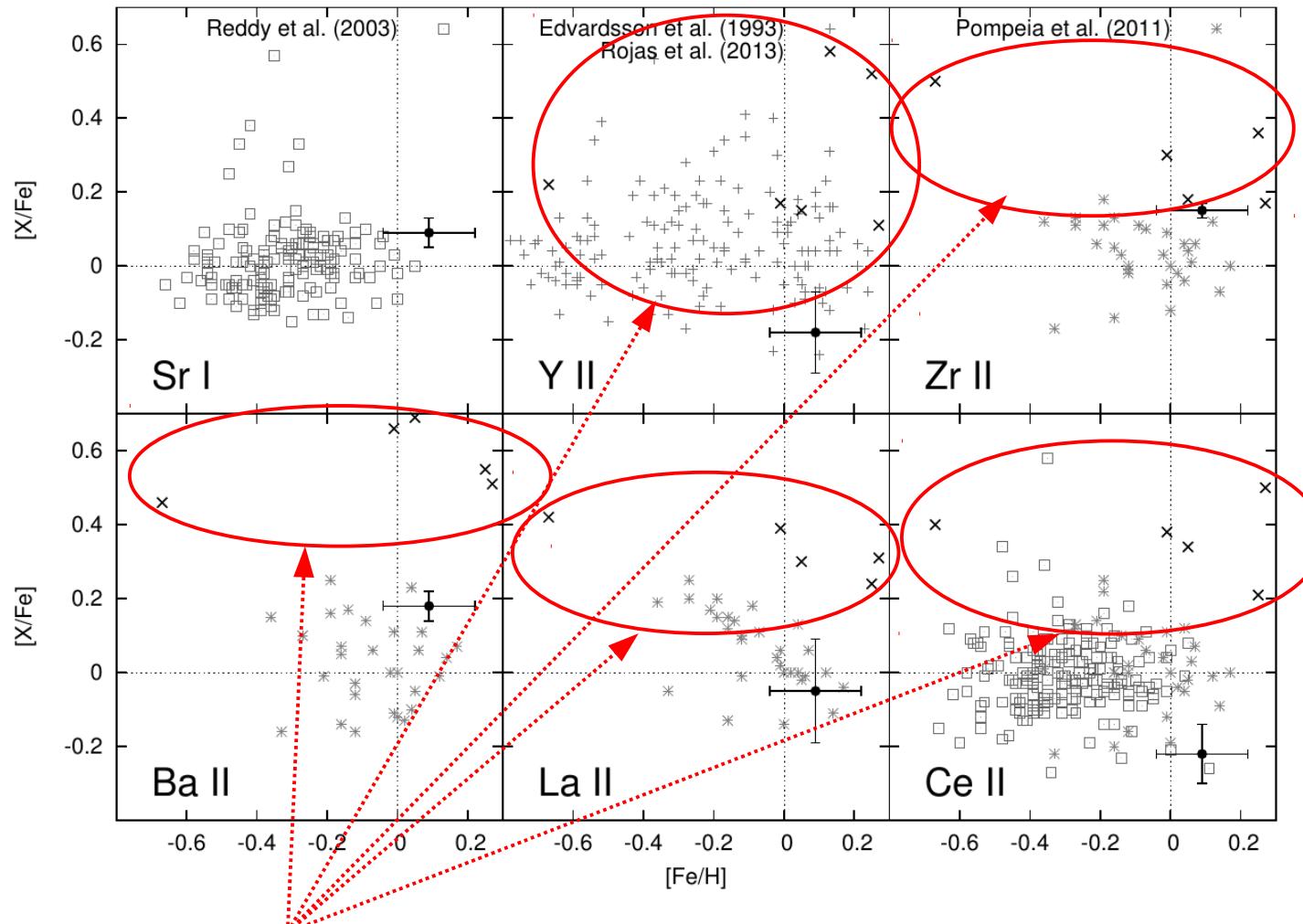
$$[\text{ls}/\text{Fe}] = +0.06 \pm 0.04$$

$$[\text{hs}/\text{Fe}] = -0.03 \pm 0.05$$

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Merle et al. 2014



Mild Ba stars (Rojas et al. 2013)

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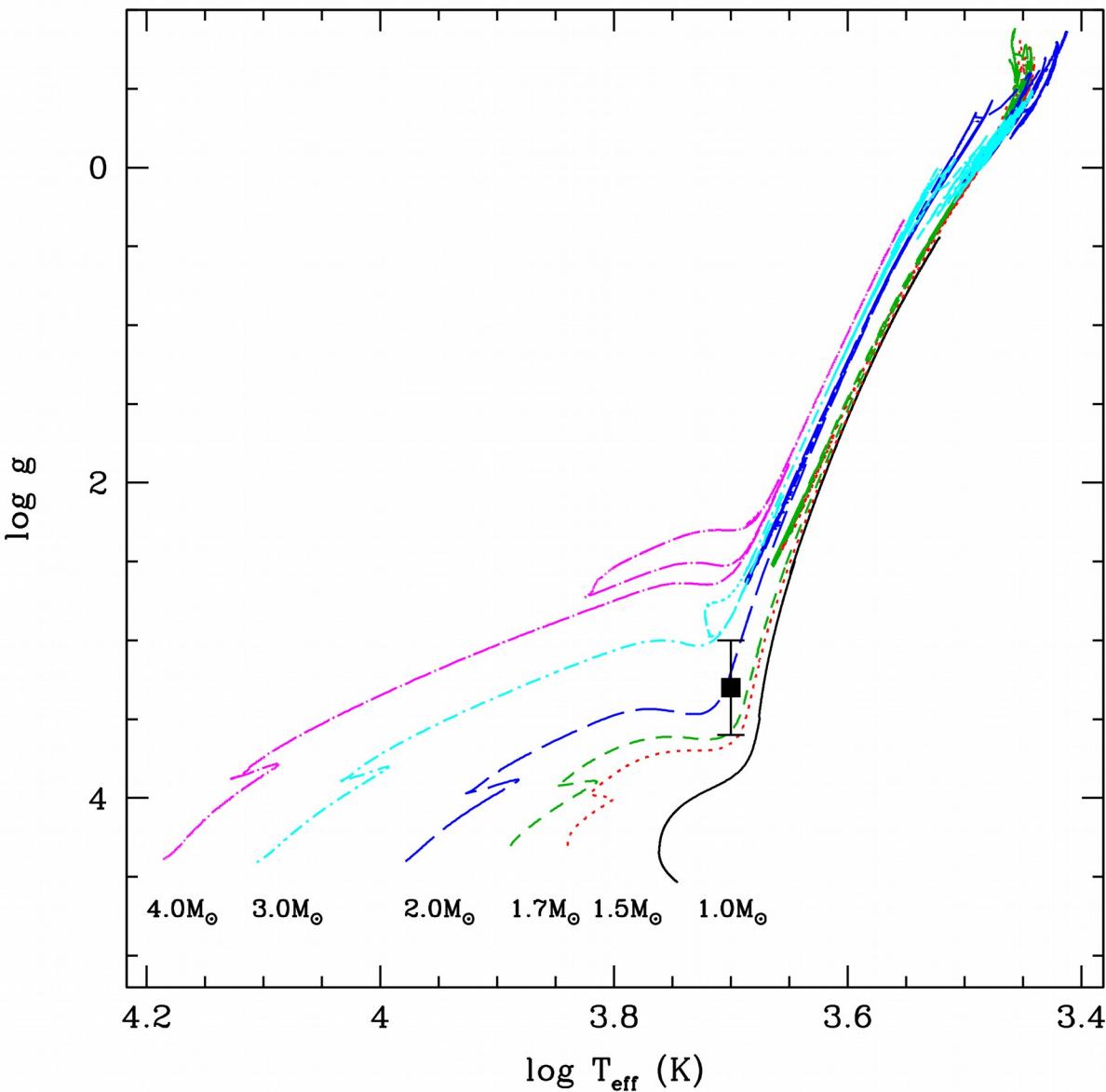
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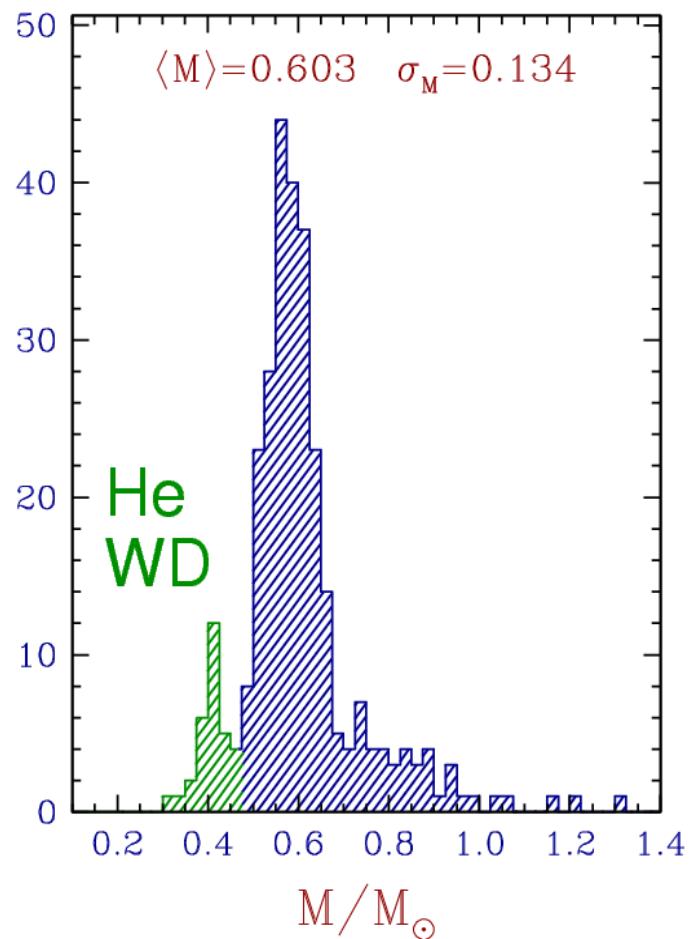


Constraints on the initial mass of the sub-giant:

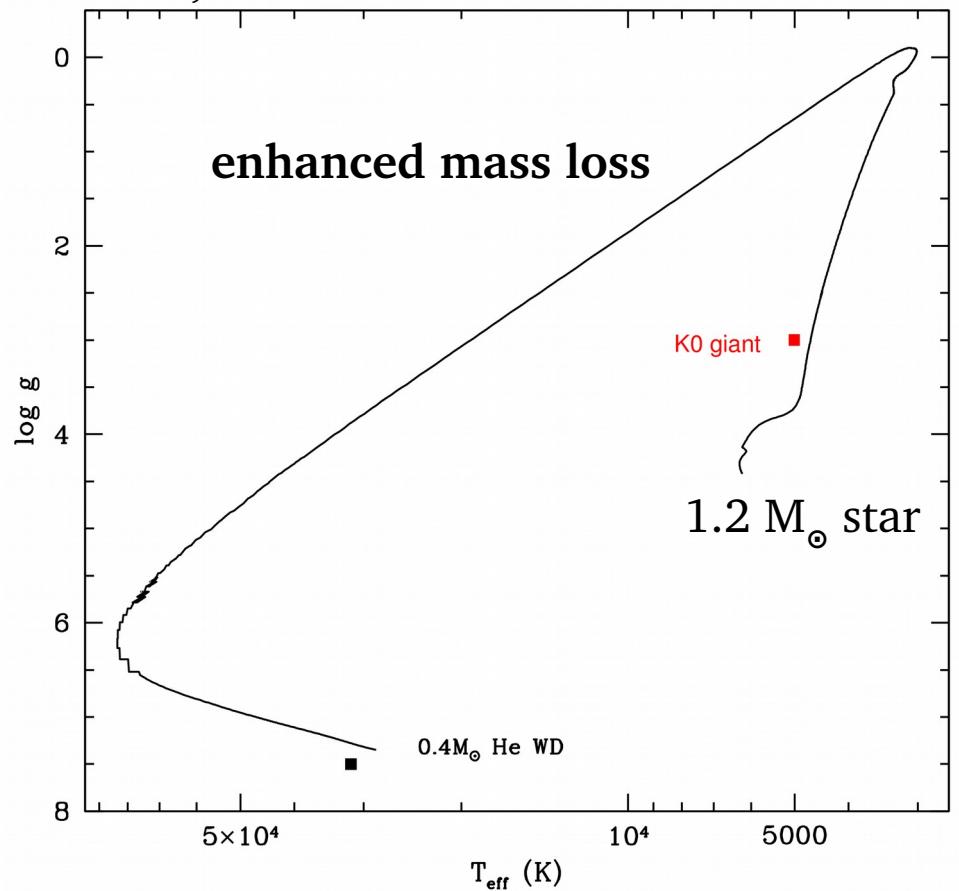
- from the mass function:
 $M < 4.26 M_{\odot}$
- from the HR diagram:
 $1 M_{\odot} < M < 3-4 M_{\odot}$

Constraints on the actual mass of the He WD

Liebert, Bergeron & Holberg 2005

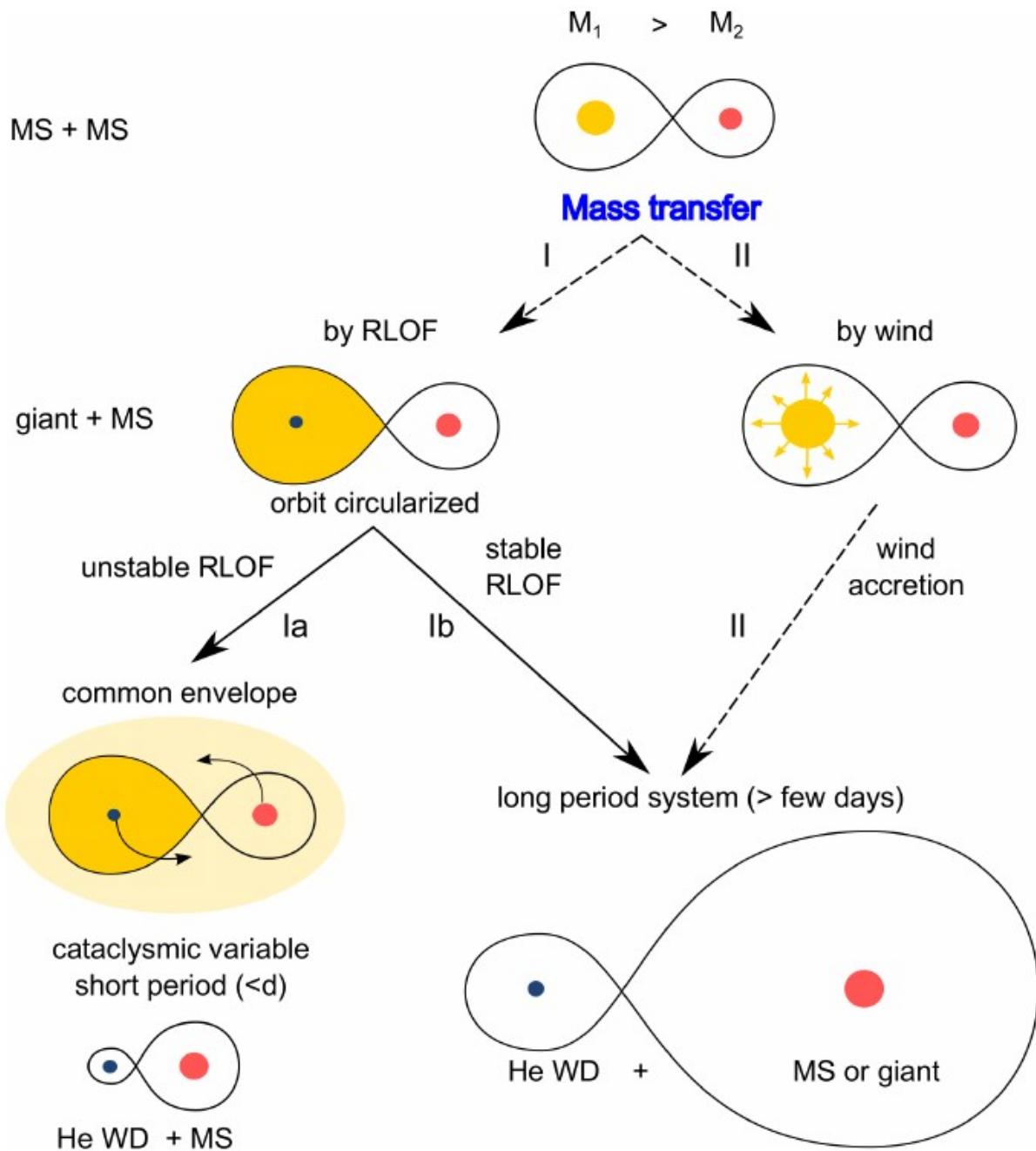


Siess, Davis & Jorissen 2014



mass distribution peaks at $\sim 0.43 M_{\odot}$ for He WD

IP Eri: the evolutionary scenario



3 possible scenarios:

- **unstable RLOF**

Circular orbits

Short orbital periods

- **stable RLOF**

long orbital periods

$$e=0$$

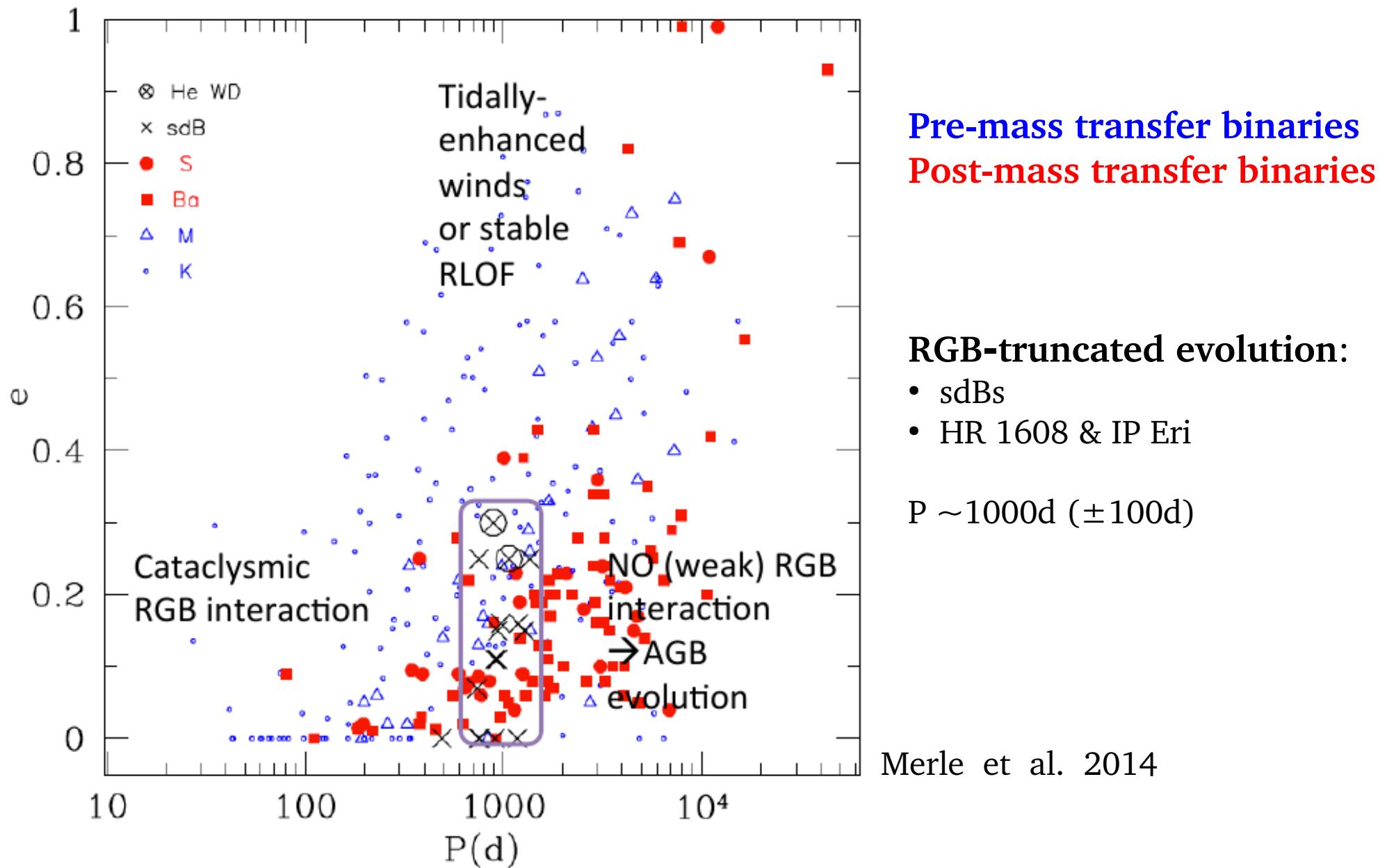
- **mass loss by enhanced wind**

Companion Re-inforced Attrition Process (Tout&Eggleton 1988)

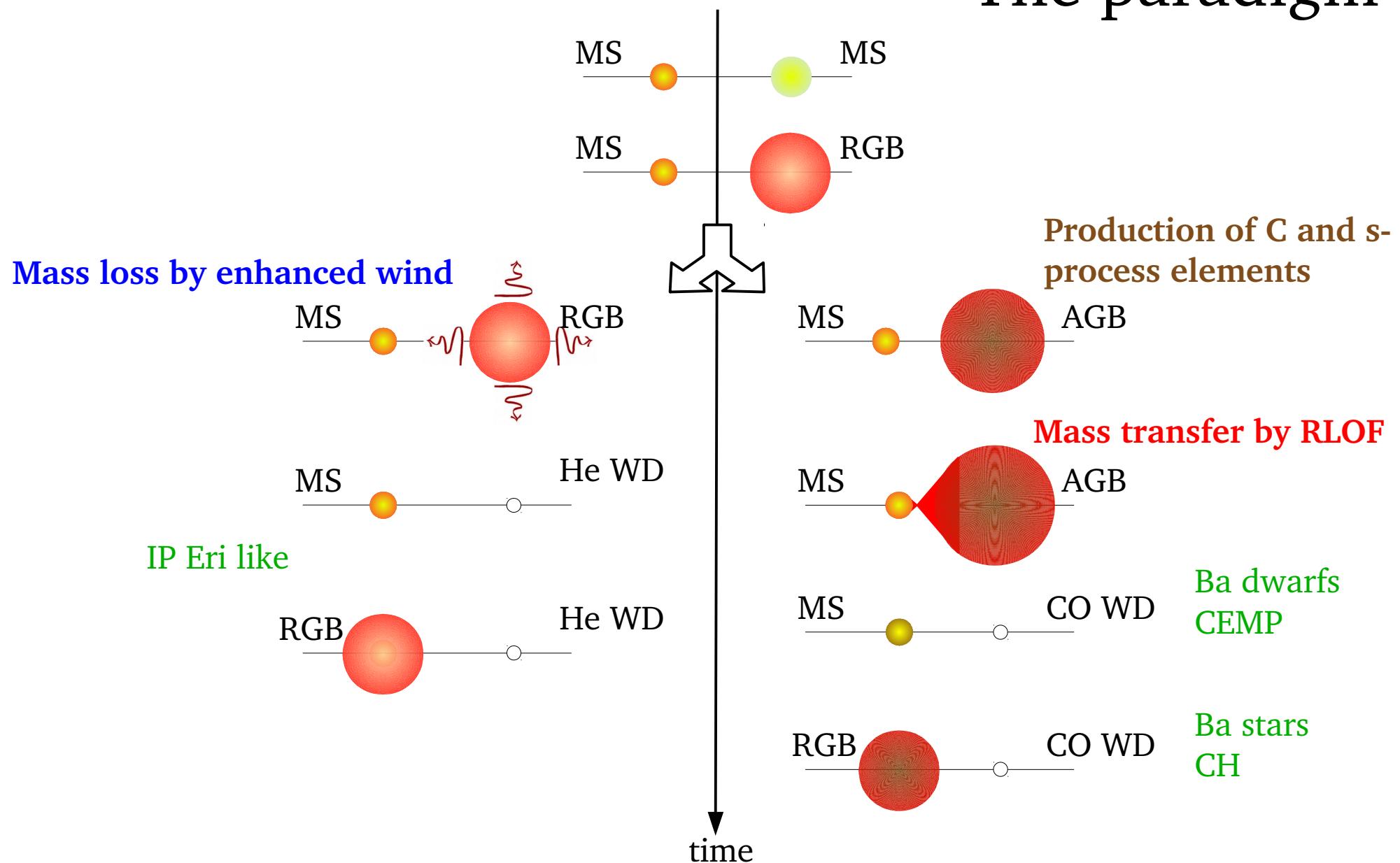
Tidally-enhanced mass-loss close to periastron: circularization is avoided (Siess et al. 2014)

long and eccentric orbital period!

Location in the excentricity-period diagram

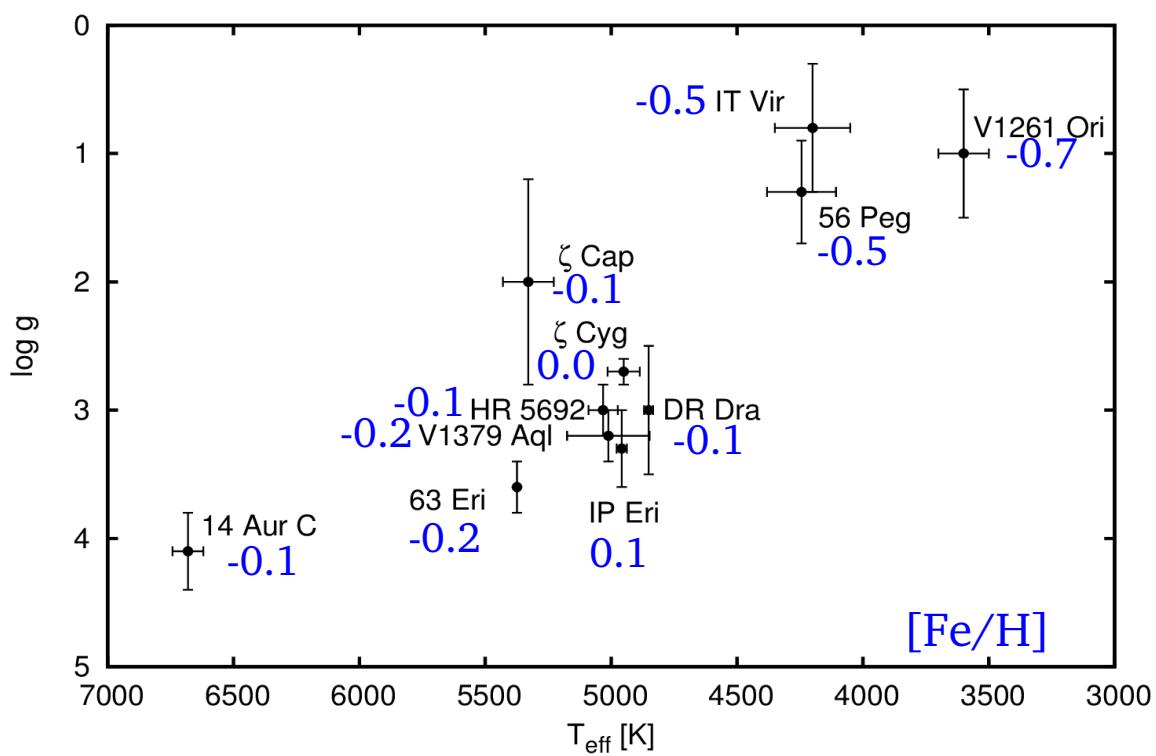


The paradigm



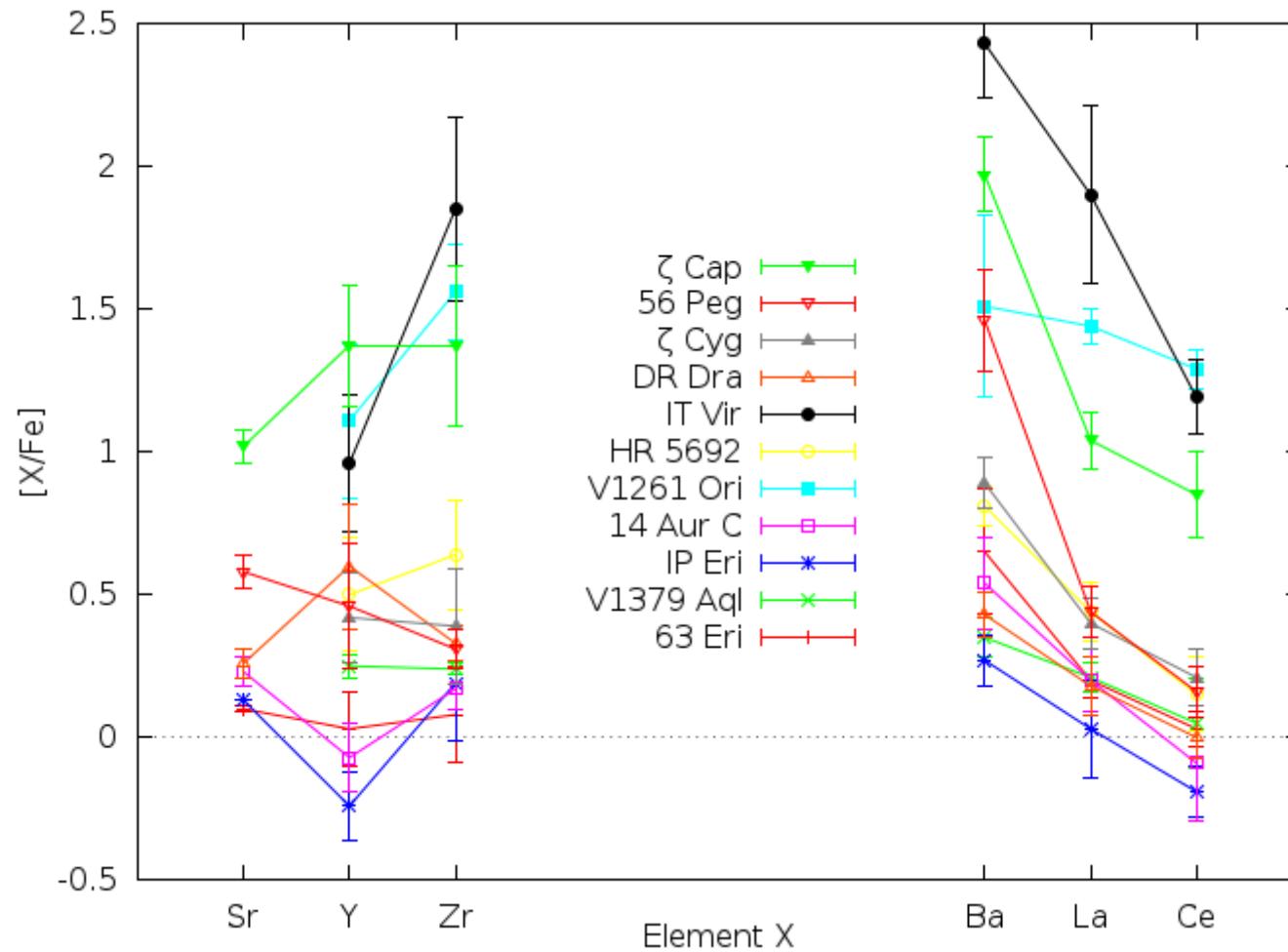
How to distinguish between these 2 evolutions?

Binary systems with known WDs masses

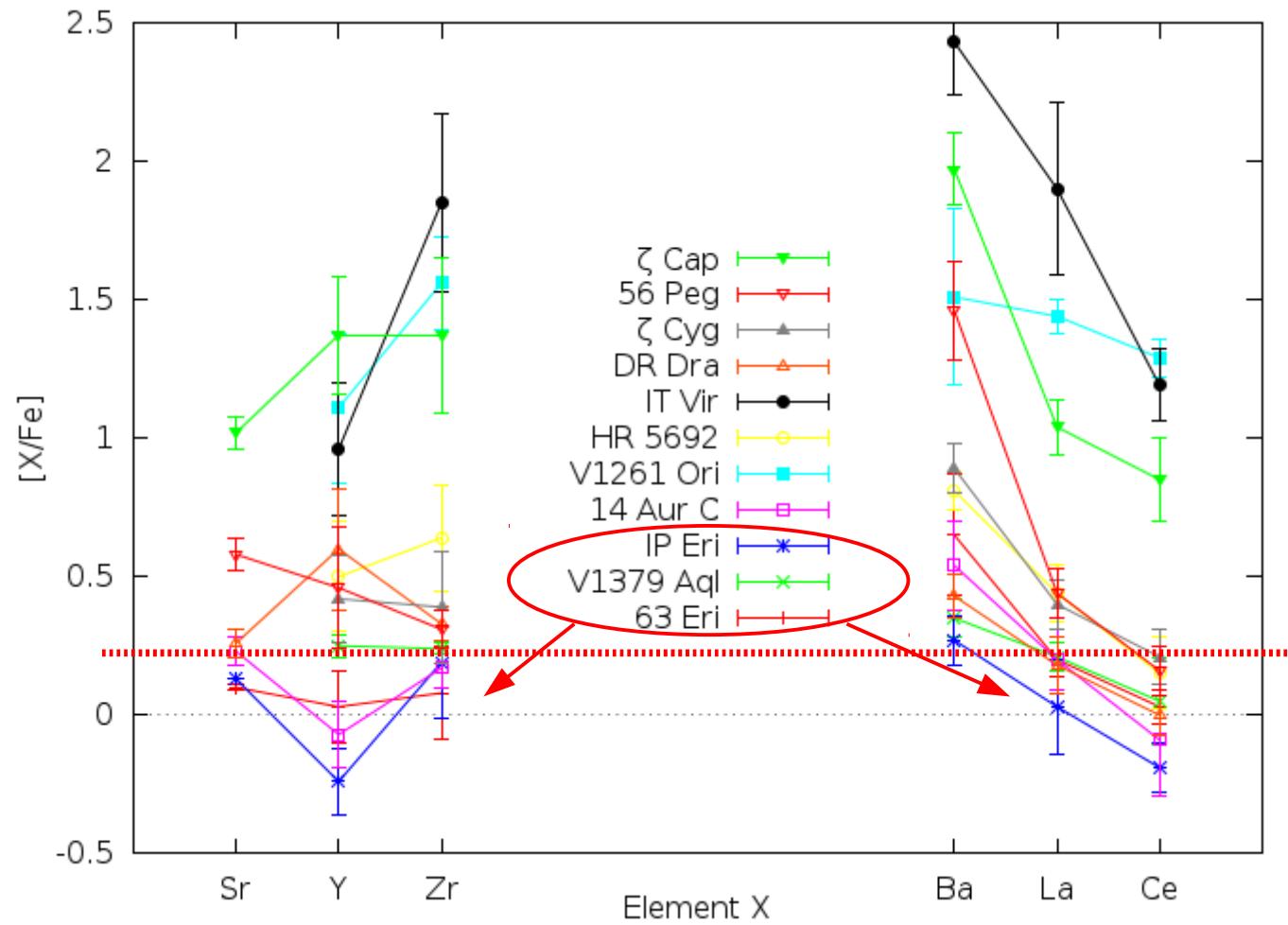


- **Selection**
post mass transfer binary systems
known mass of the WD companions
- **Observations**
HERMES/Mercator
August 2009 to May 2014
- **Atmospheric parameters**
MARCS model atmospheres
atomic and molecular linelists
BACCHUS pipeline
- **The idea**
Study the variation of the s-process elements with the mass of the WD

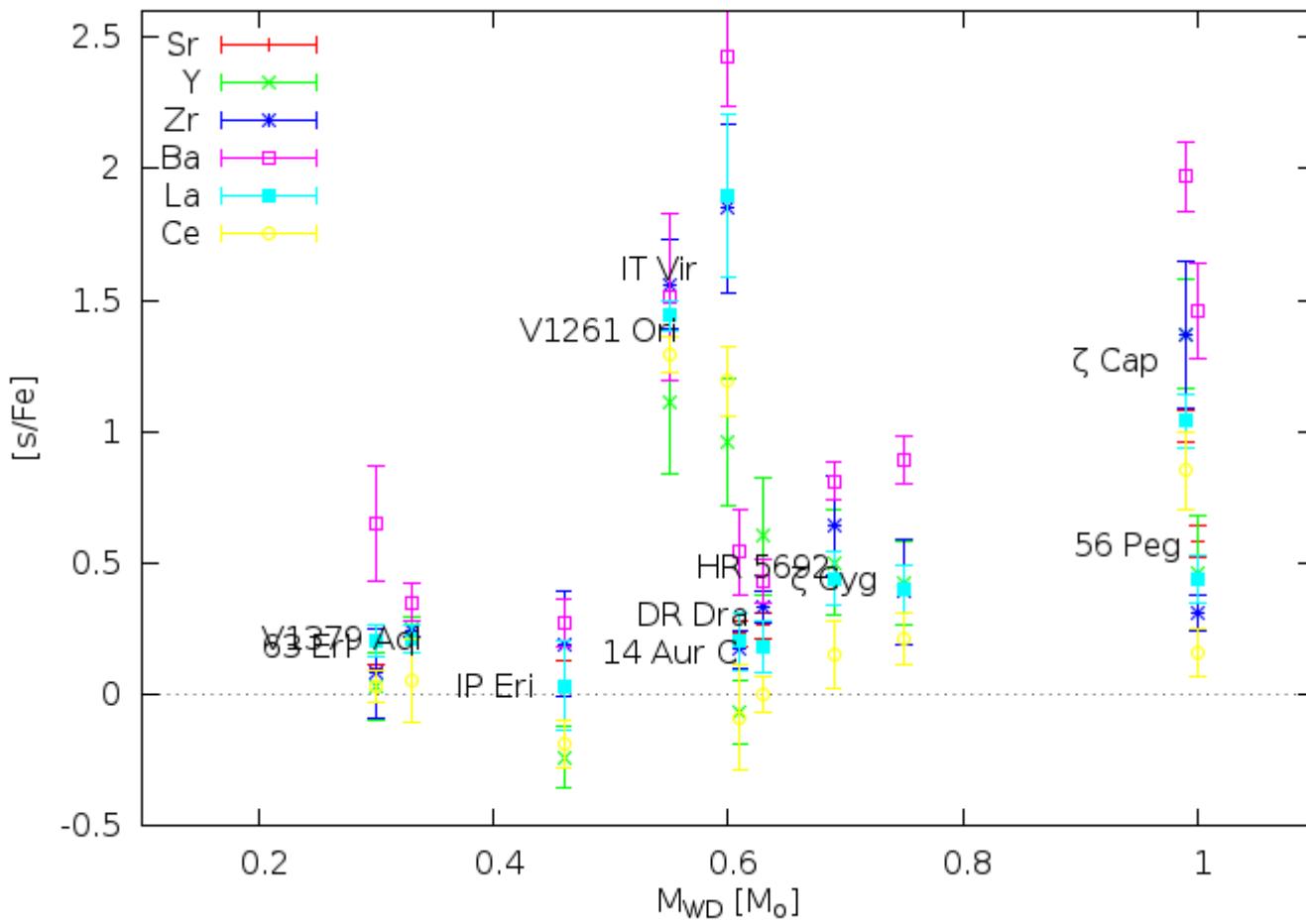
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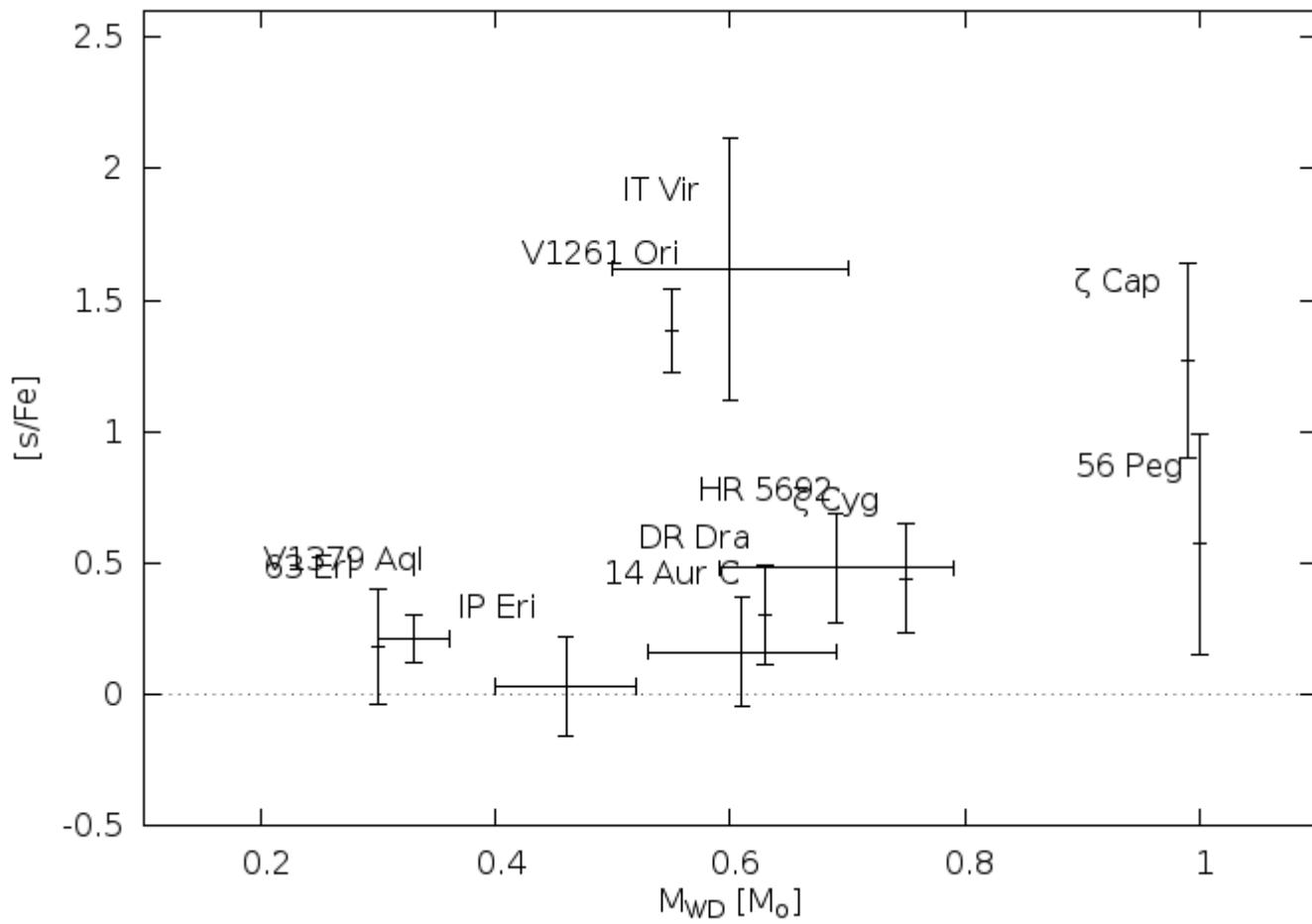
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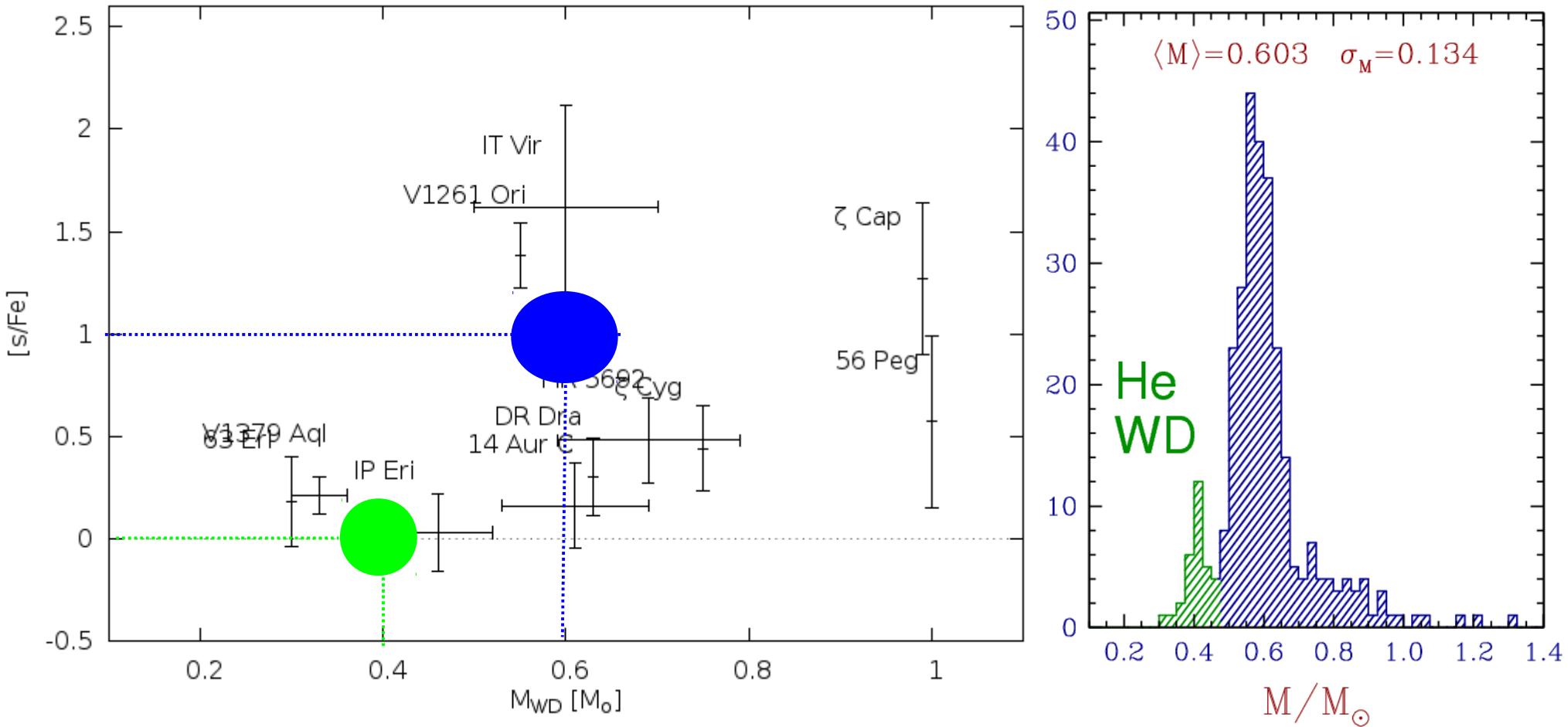


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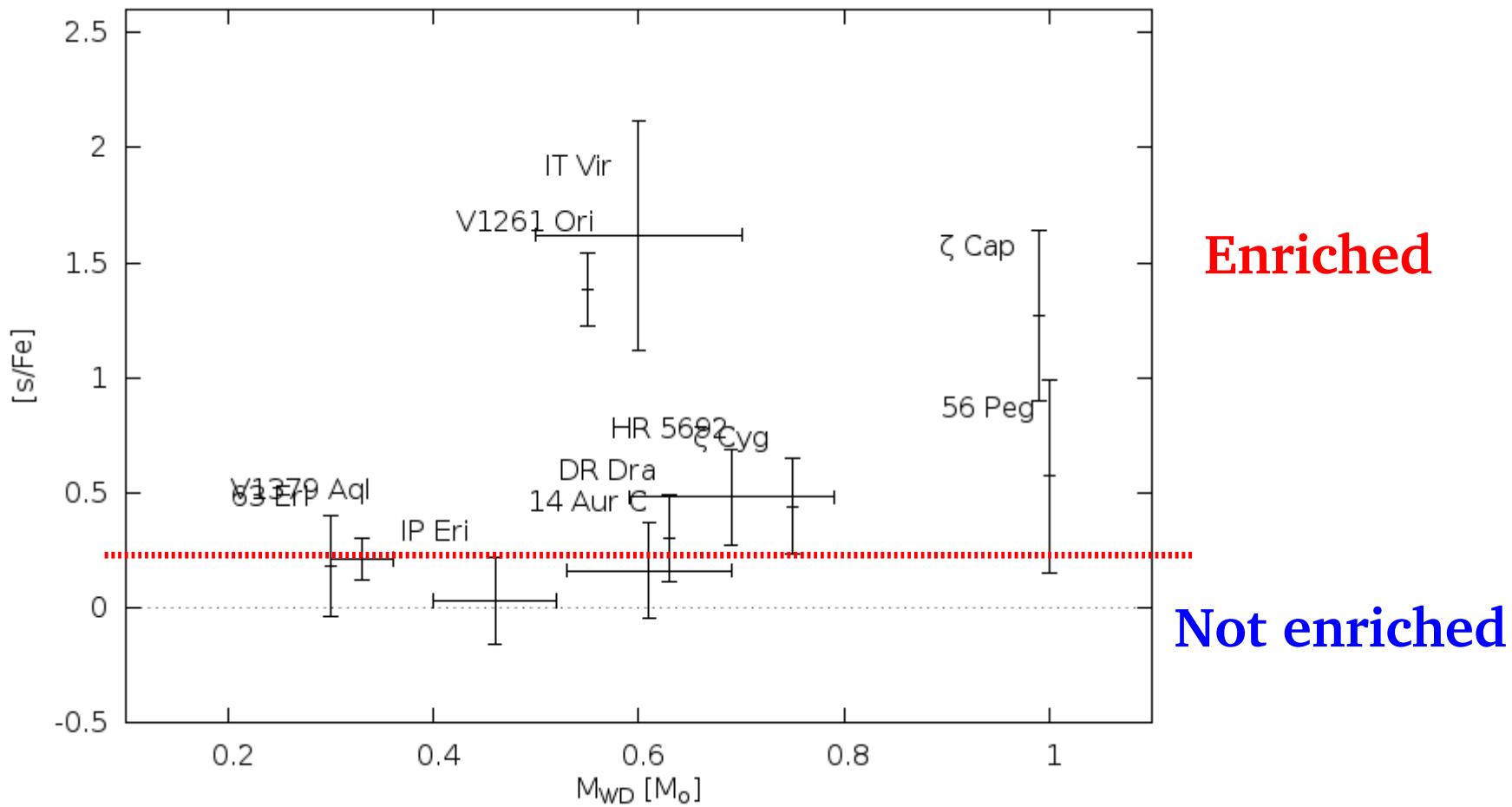


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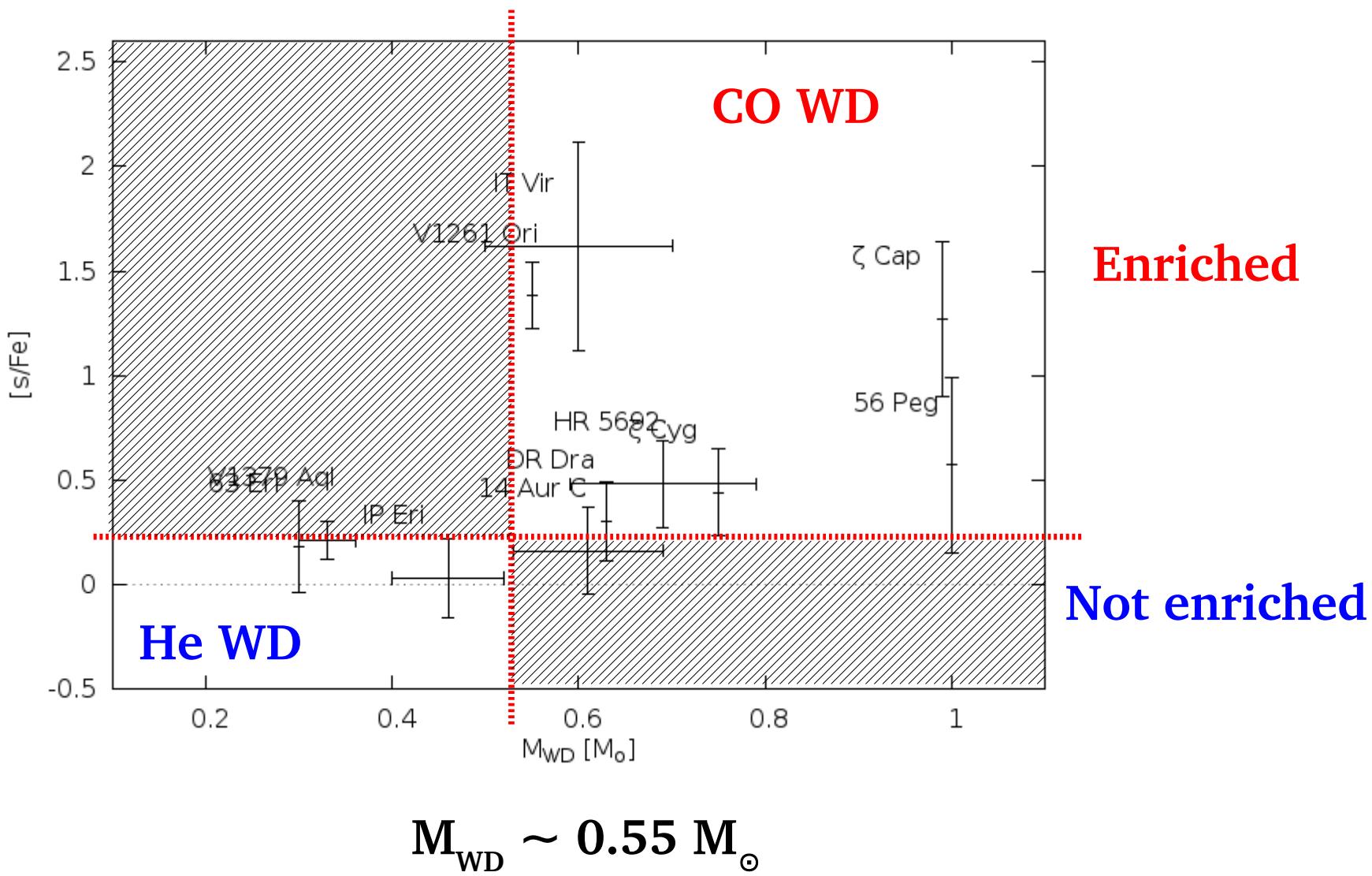
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s-process pollution paradigm: toward a homogeneous picture



How to detect the spectroscopic binaries in the GES?

- PIs: Gilmore & Randich
- Spectroscopic survey of 10^5 stars
- Spectros GIRAFFE & UVES
- WG14 : “non-standard object analyses”

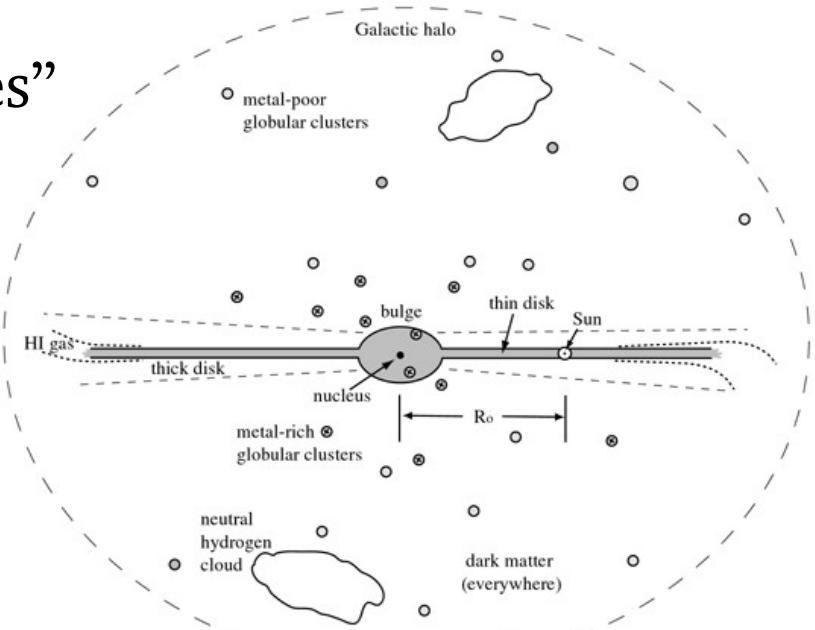
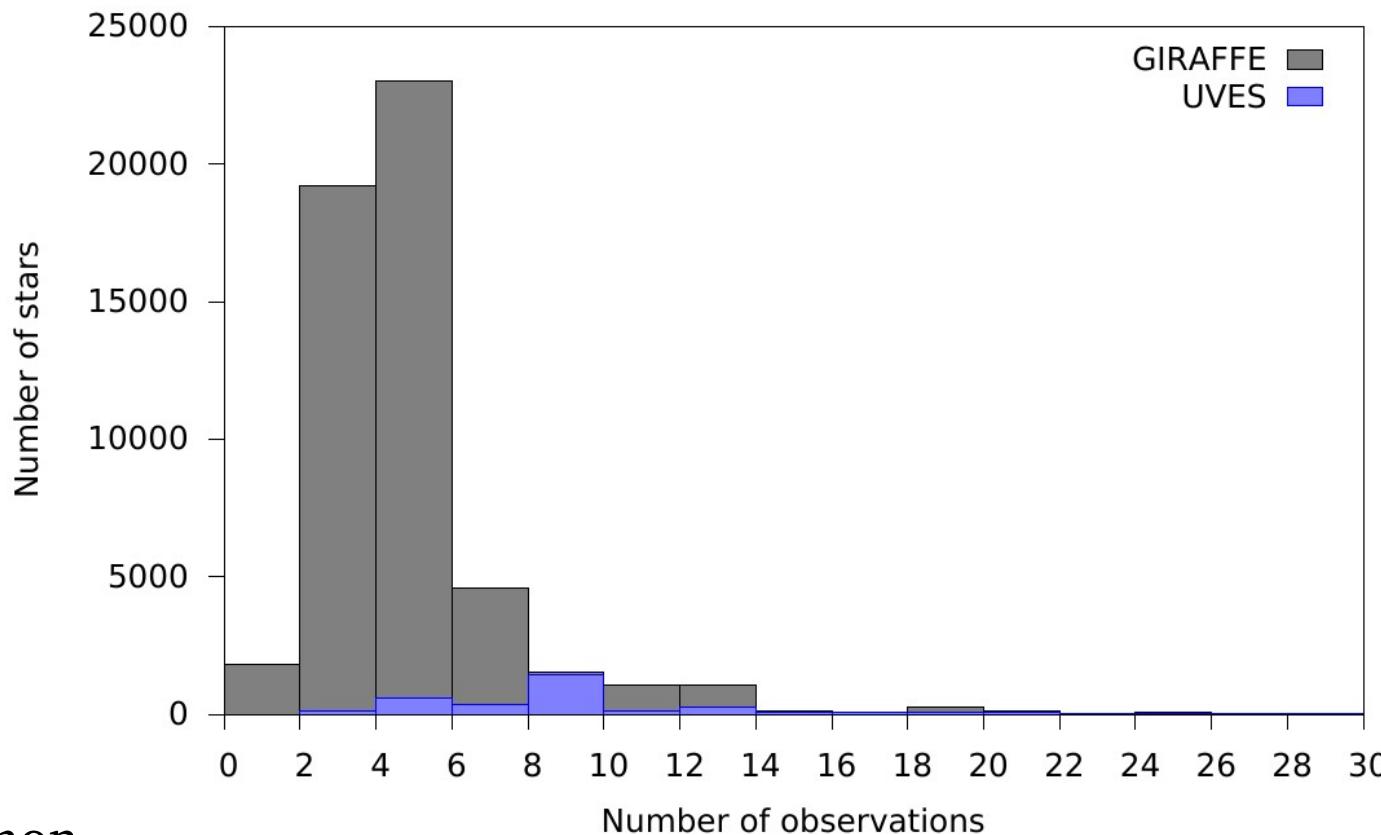


Fig 1.8 'Galaxies in the Universe' Sparke/Gallagher CUP 2007

Statistics of iDR4: GIRAFFE and UVES

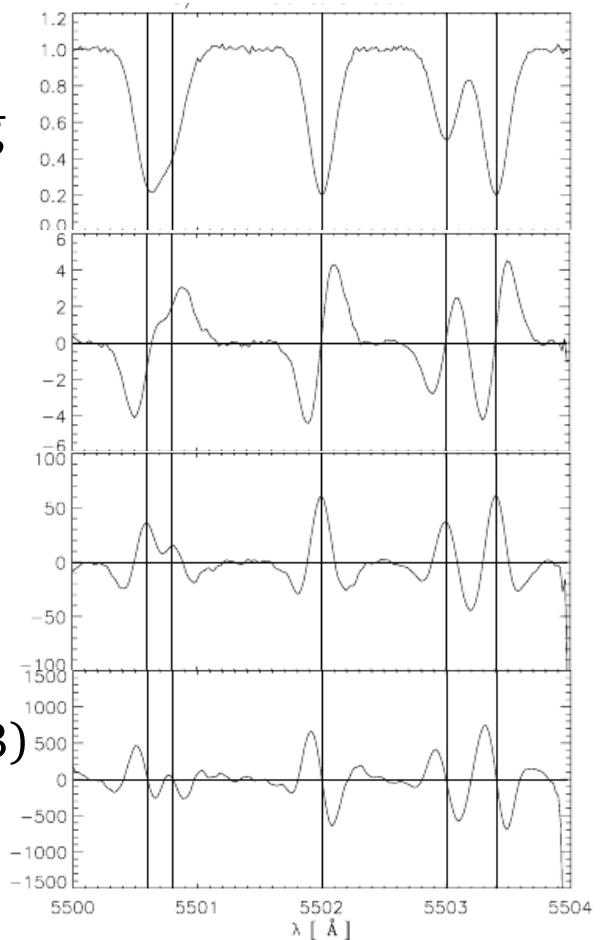
- iDR4: use of the individual unstacked spectra (GIRAFFE + UVES)
- Selection of spectra with $\text{SNR} > 3$
- GIRAFFE
 - 211081 spectra
 - 53130 stars
- UVES
 - 32031 spectra
 - 3471 stars
- ~ 600 stars are in common



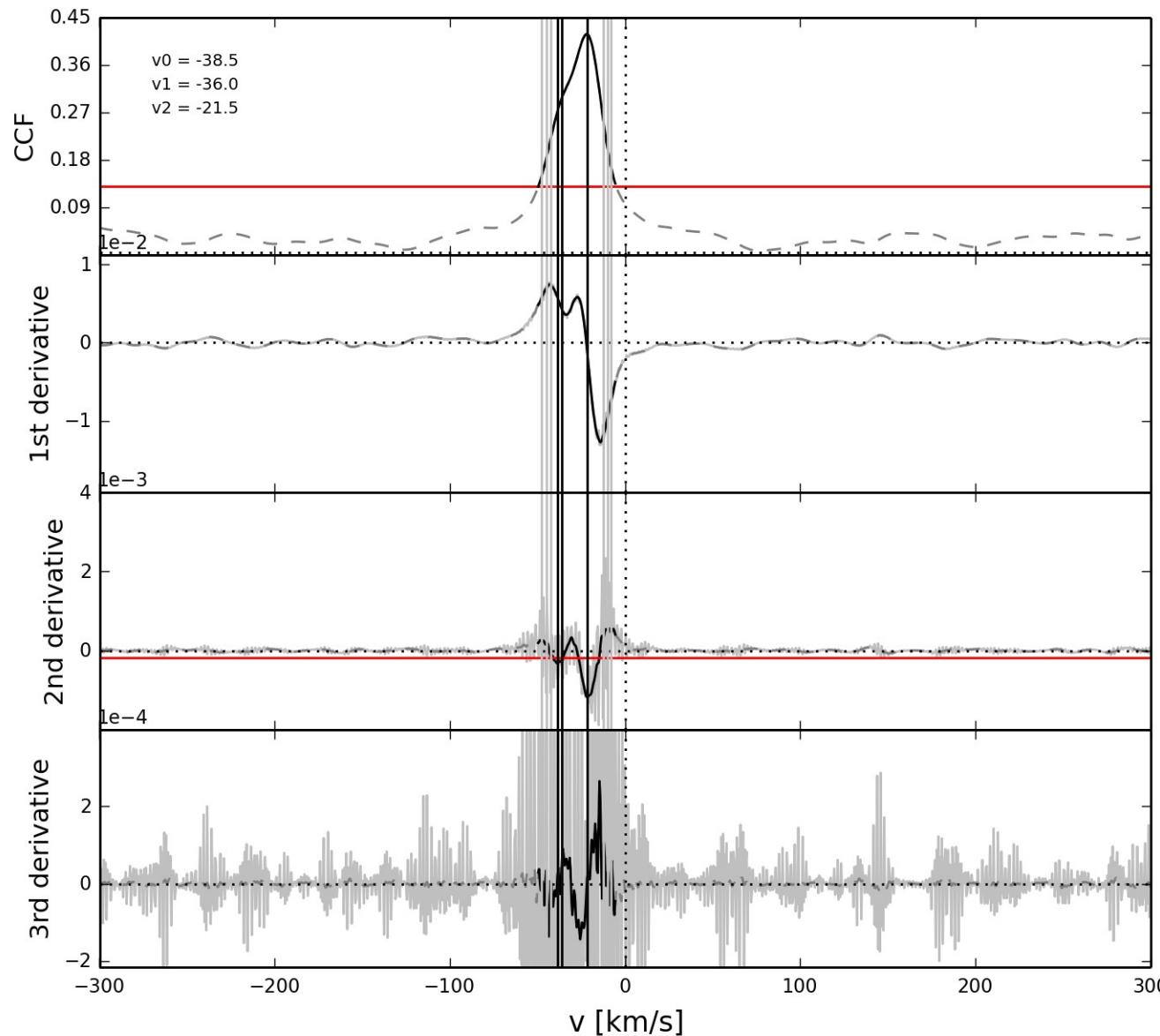
The successive derivatives of the CCFs is used to detect peaks

- CCF = Cross Correlation Function
- For GIRAFFE spectra: CCFs computed by pipelines at CASU (Lewis et al., in prep.) using synthetic spectra templates from U. Munari.
- For UVES spectra: CCFs computed by INAF—Arcetri (Sacco et al., in prep.) using GES synthetic grid from de Laverny et al. 2012.
- Basic idea from the ARES code

(Sousa et al. 2007 A&A 469, 783)



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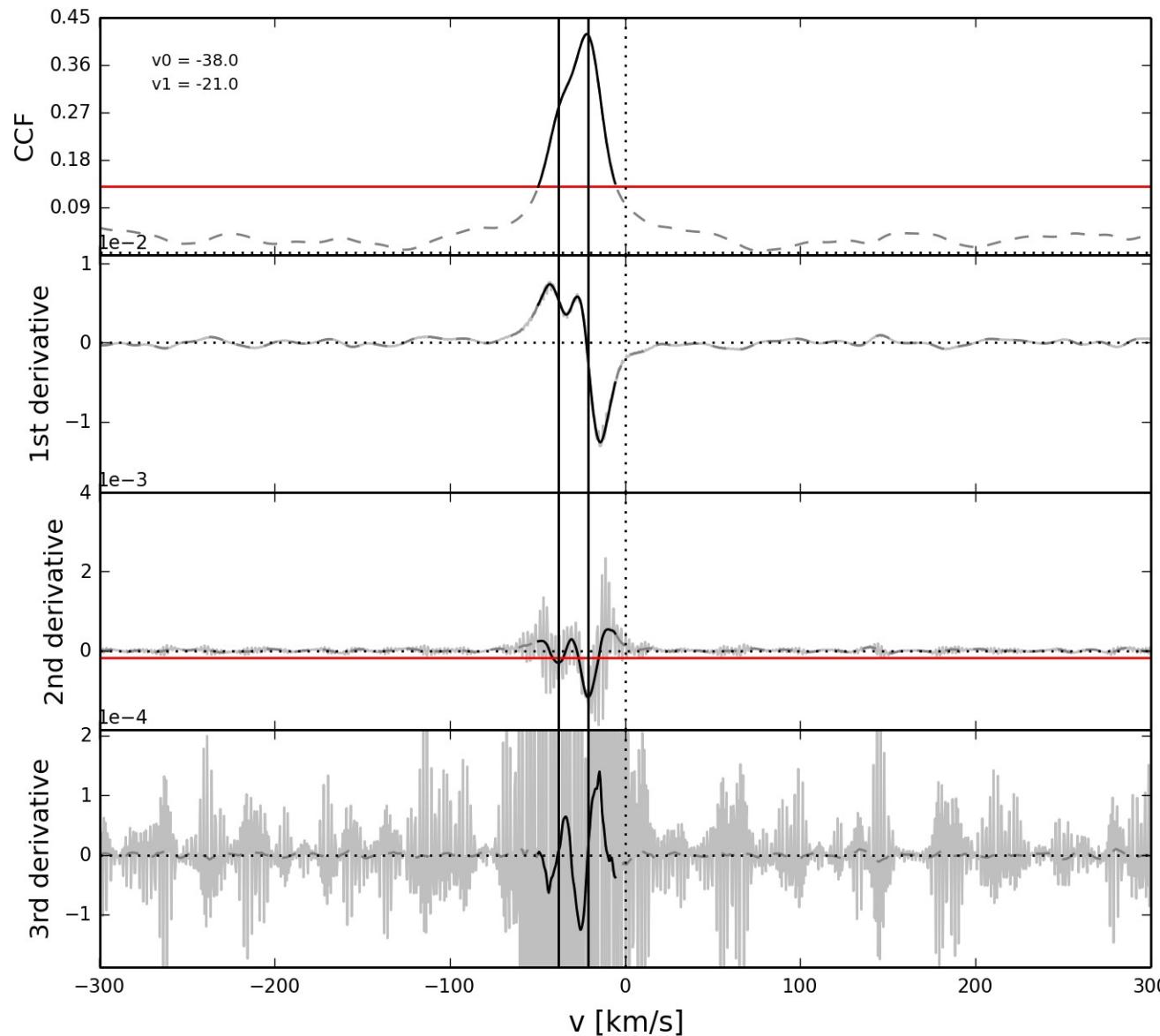


3rd order Butterworth
Low-pass filter

First parameter:

Frequency cut of the
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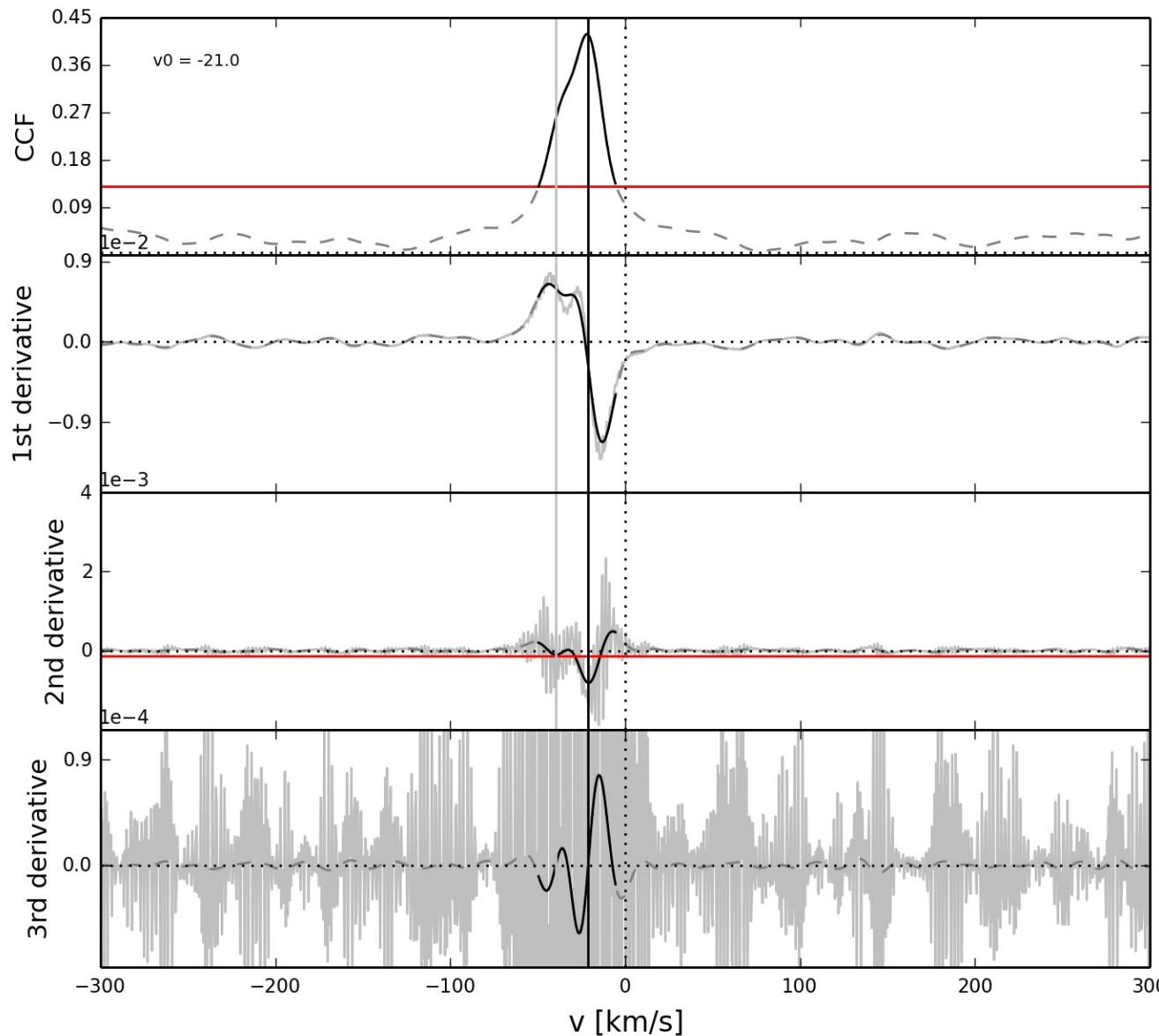


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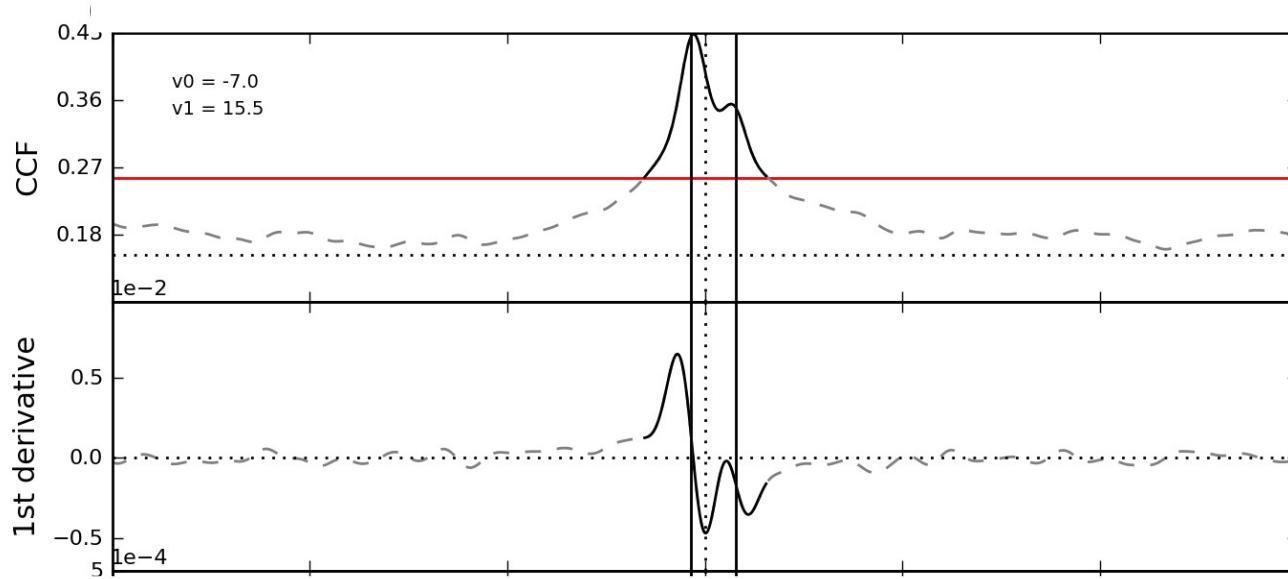


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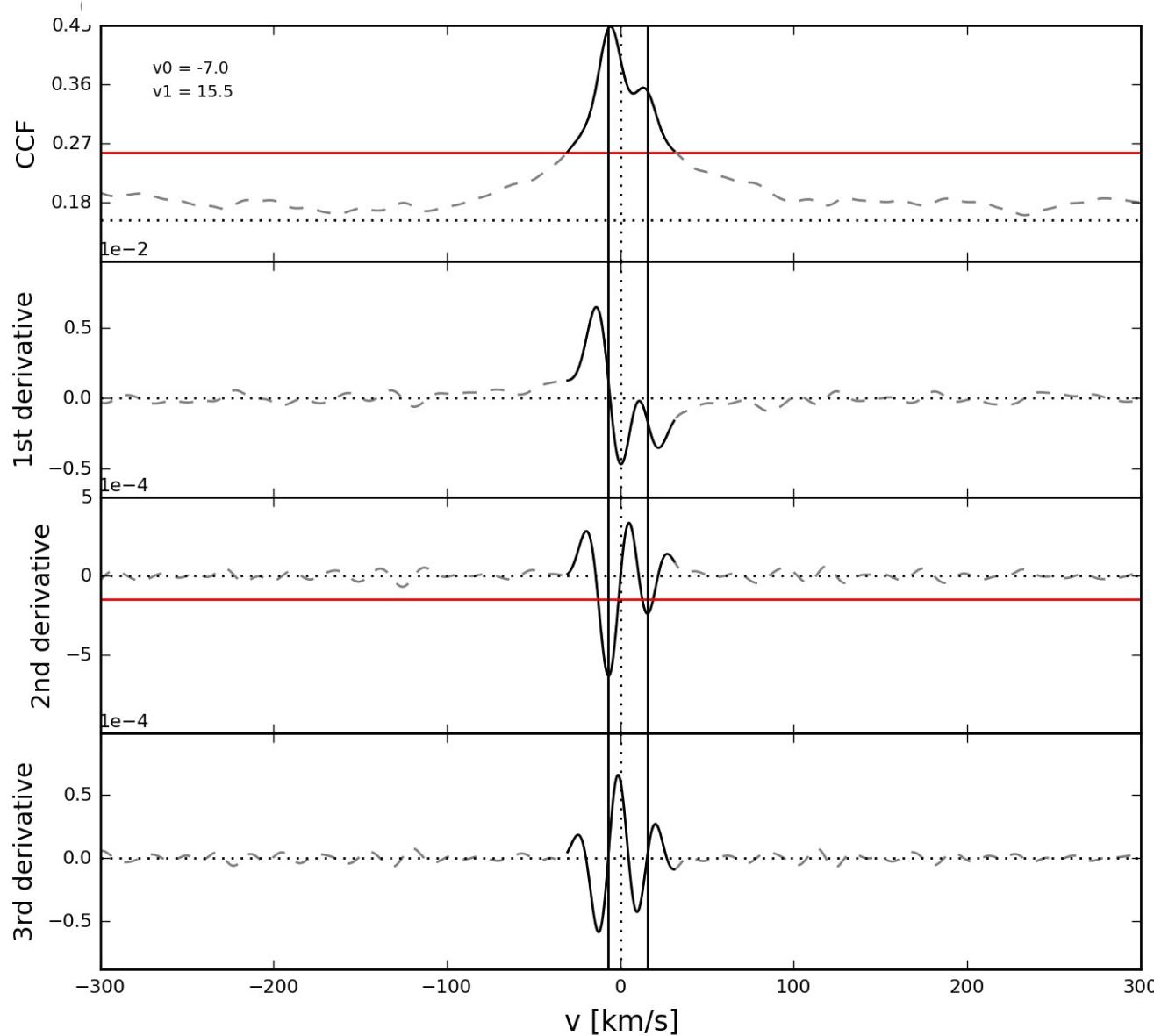
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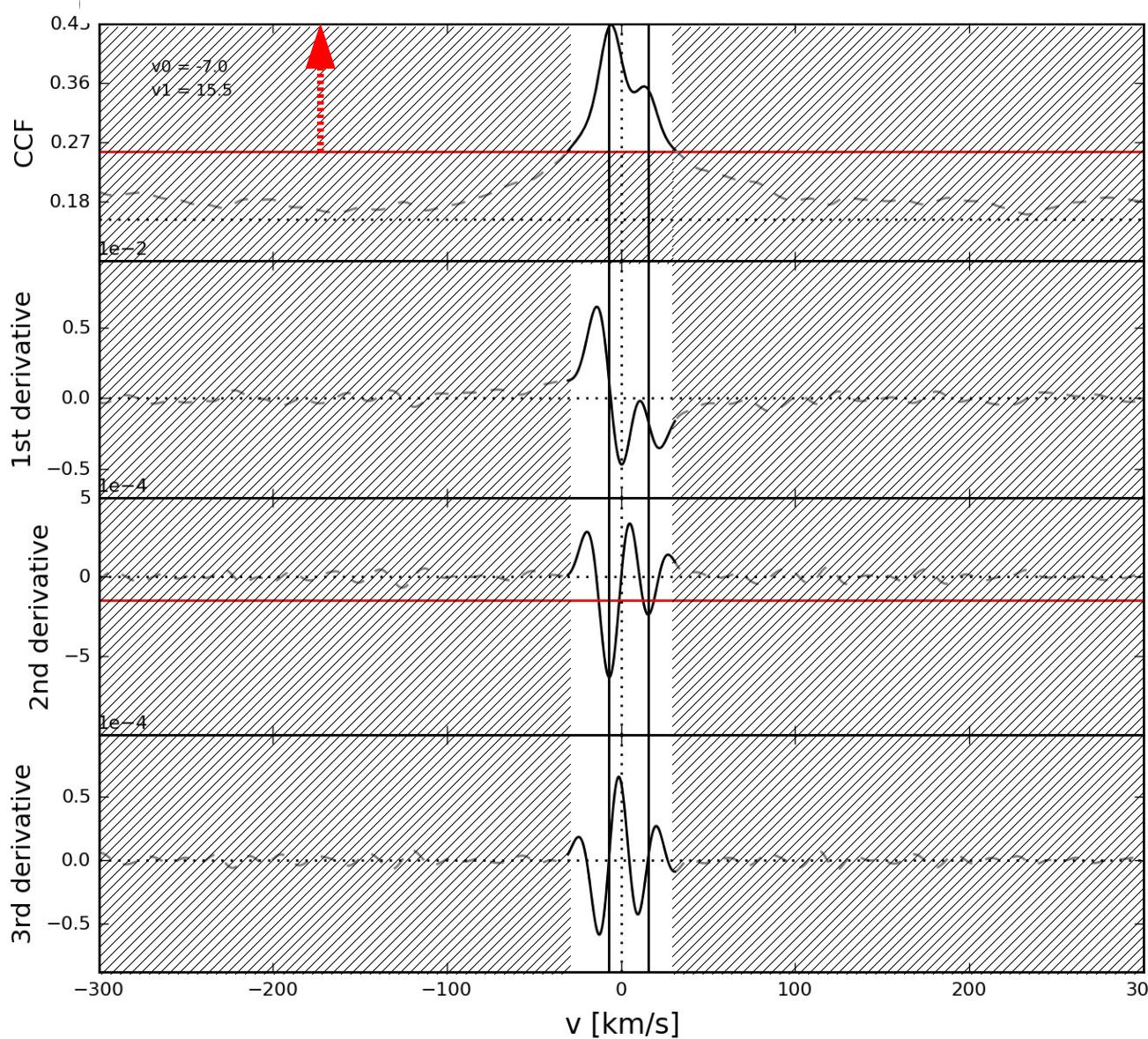
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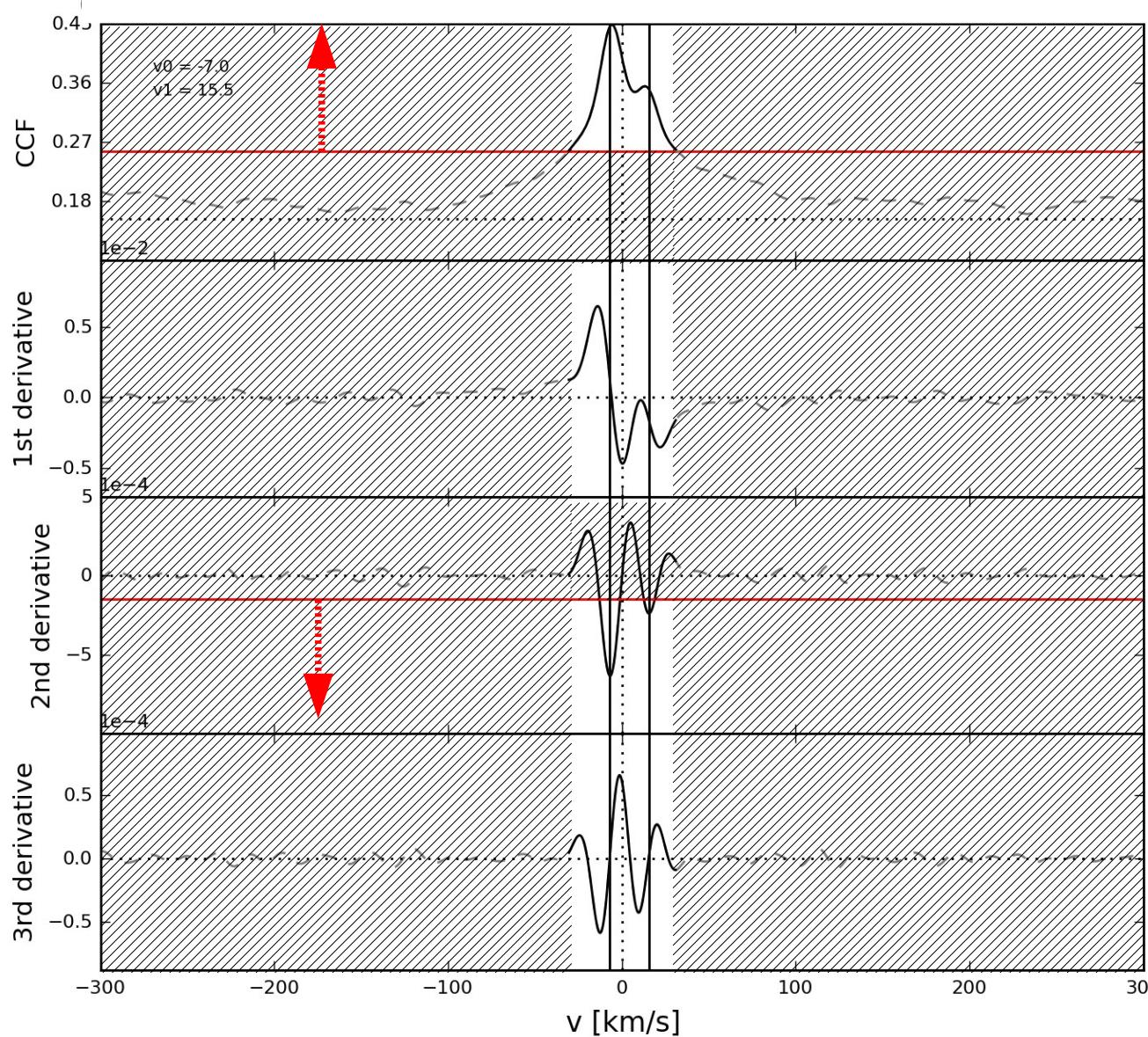
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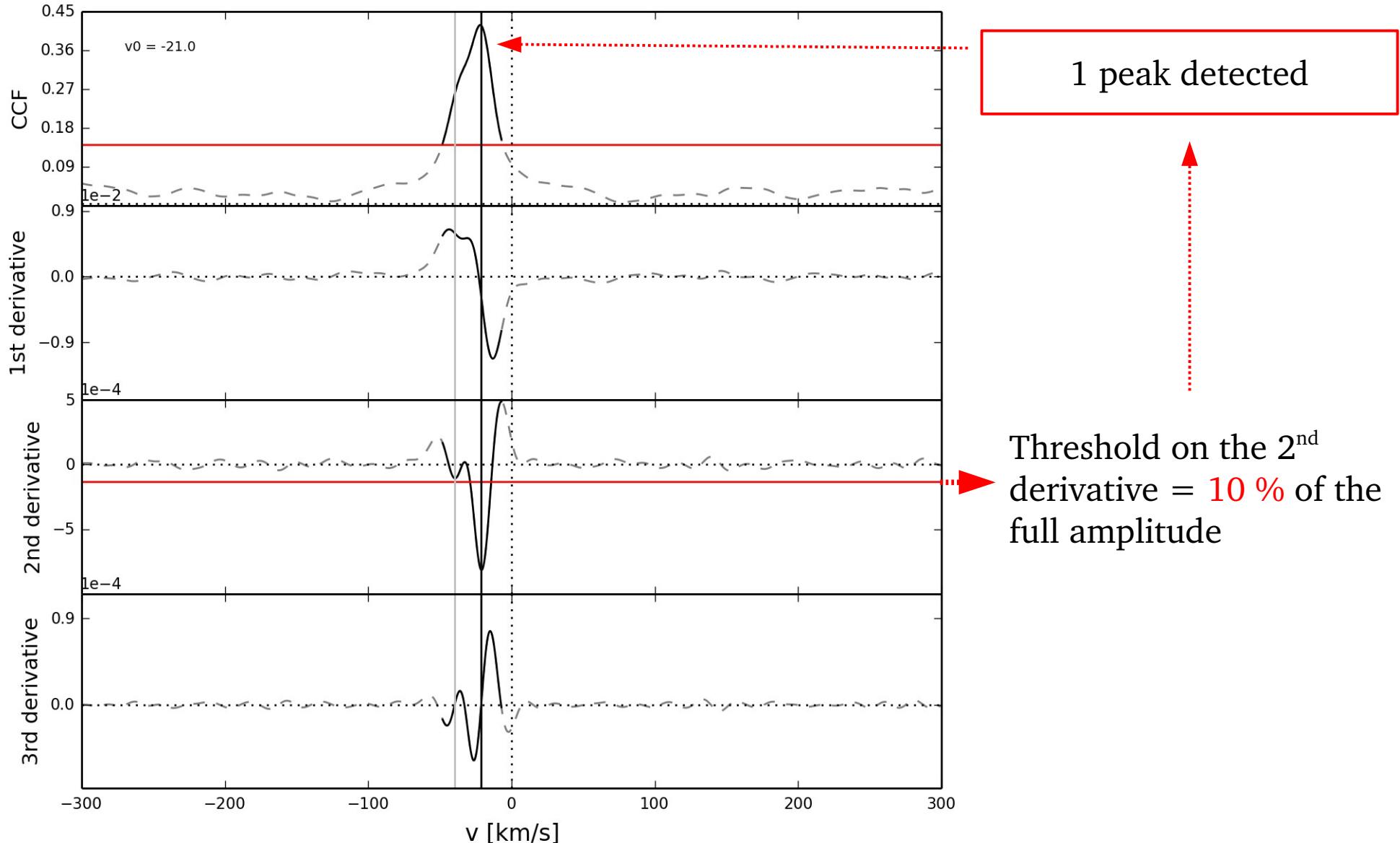
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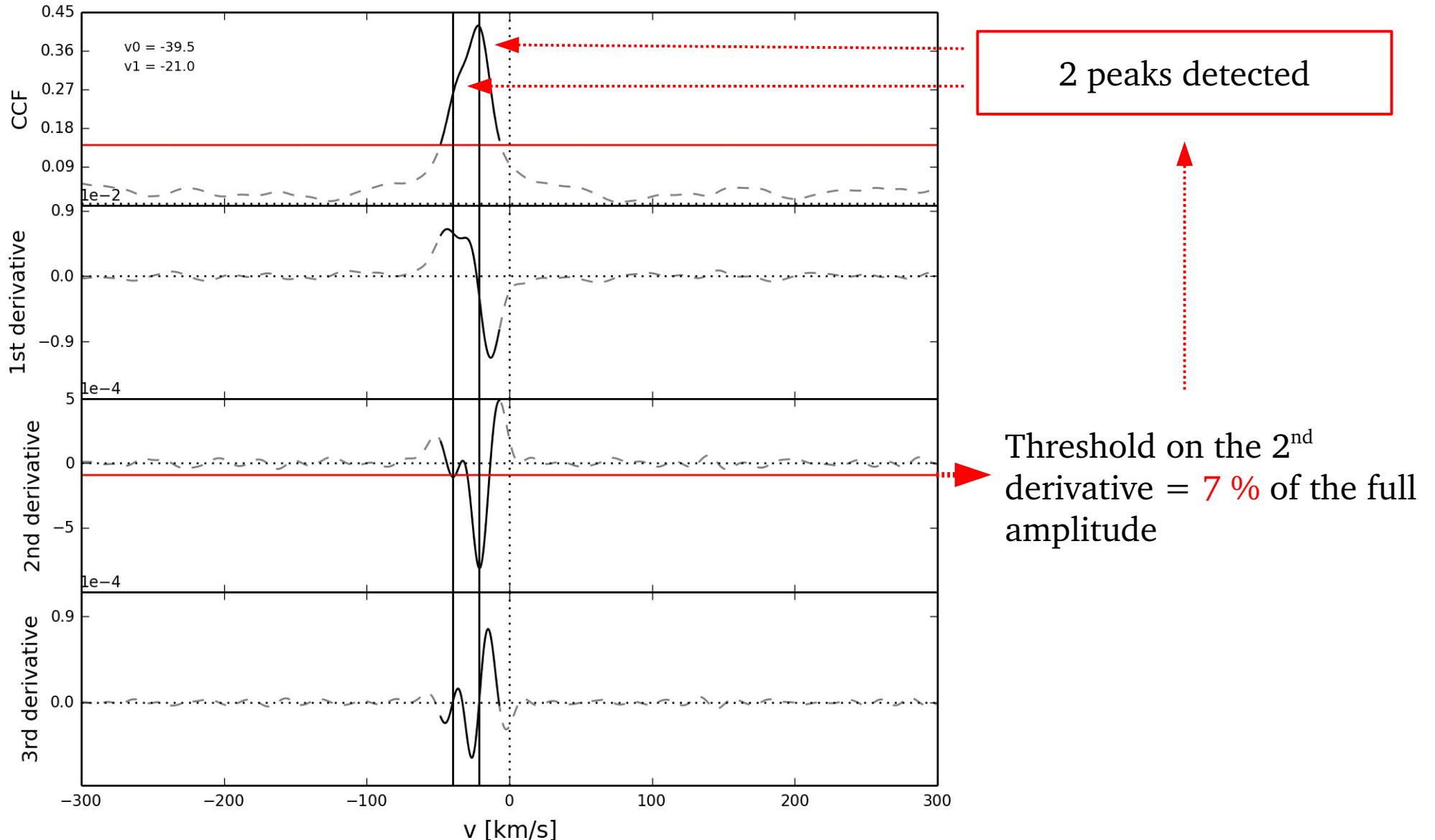
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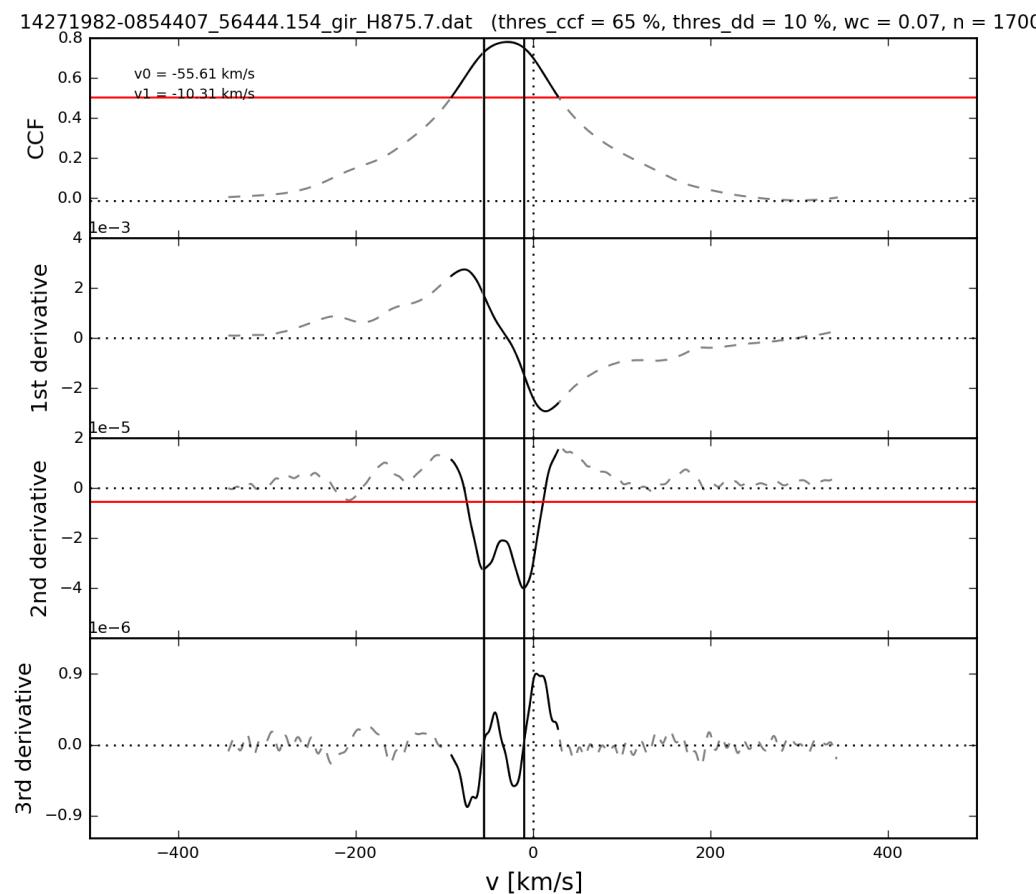
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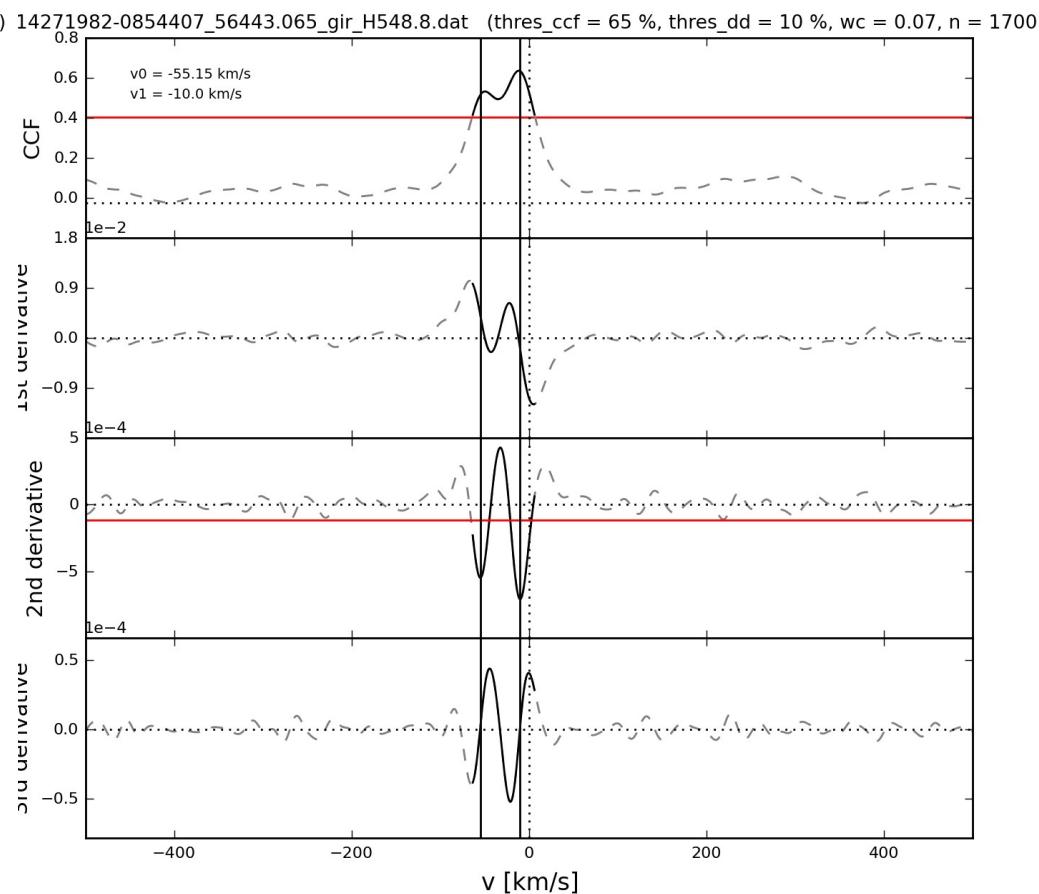
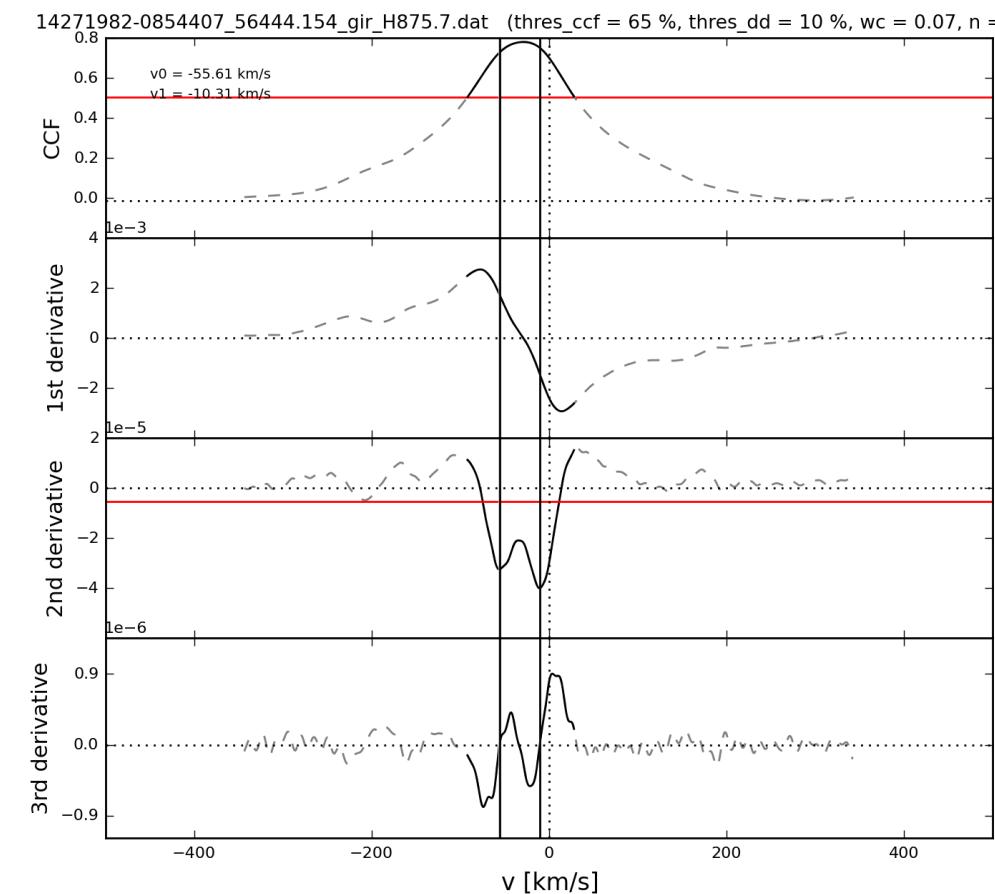
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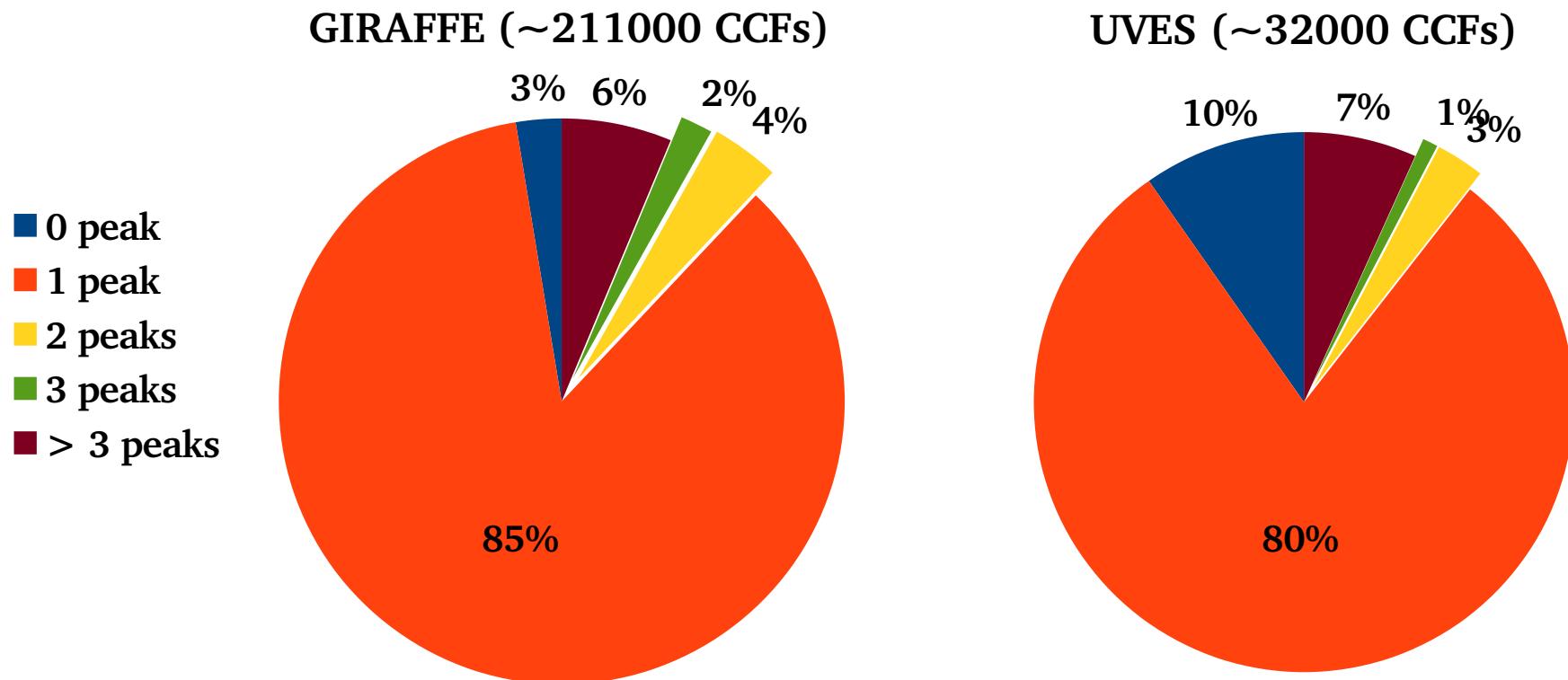
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iDR4 raw results of the automatic peaks detection



Automatic SB2/3 classification in iDR4: GIRAFFE and UVES

The strongest criterium:

Same number of peaks for all observations in all setups

Stars	GIRAFFE	%	UVES	%
SB2 candidates	522	1.0	46	1.3
SB3 candidates	0	0.0	3	0.1
Total stars	53130	100	3471	100

The weakest criterium:

At least one N-peaked CCF per star (with N = 2 or 3)

Stars	GIRAFFE	%	UVES	%
SB2 candidates	4952	9.3	281	8.1
SB3 candidates	2641	5.0	156	4.5
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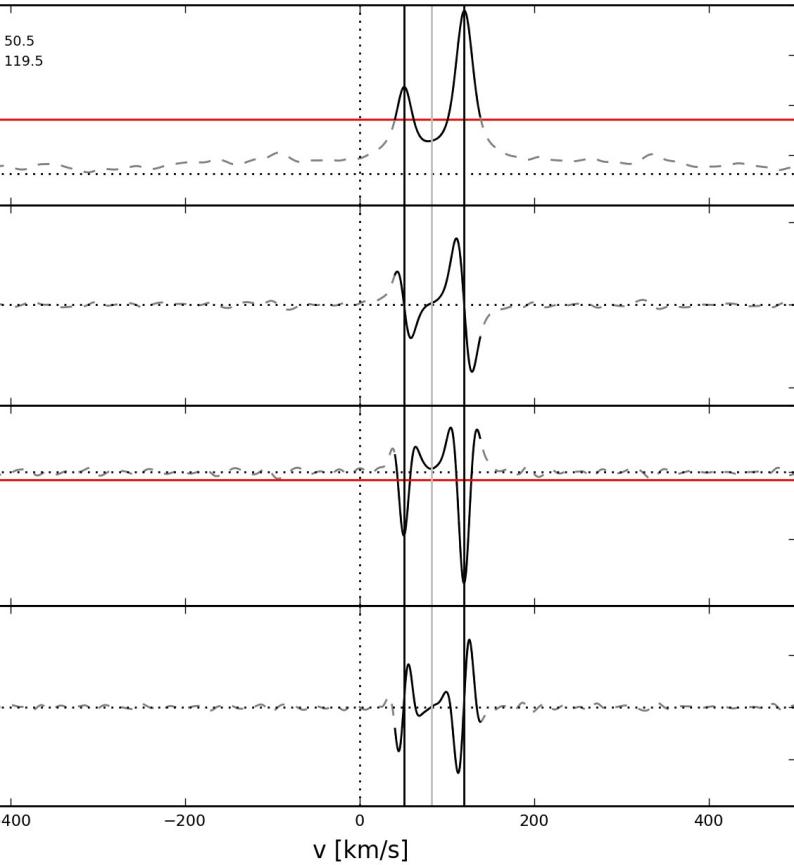
iDR4 first-pass analysis

- SNR > 10
- Setups selection:
 - UVES U520 and U580: 28528 spectra (3374 stars)
 - GIRAFFE HR10 and HR21: 107324 spectra (31369 stars)
- Automatic peak detections
- For a given setup, we combine all CCFs corresponding to a given star and apply the following criterium:
 - A SB2/SB3 candidate must have 75 % or more of CCFs with 2 or 3 detected peaks

UVES SB2 candidates: visual inspection

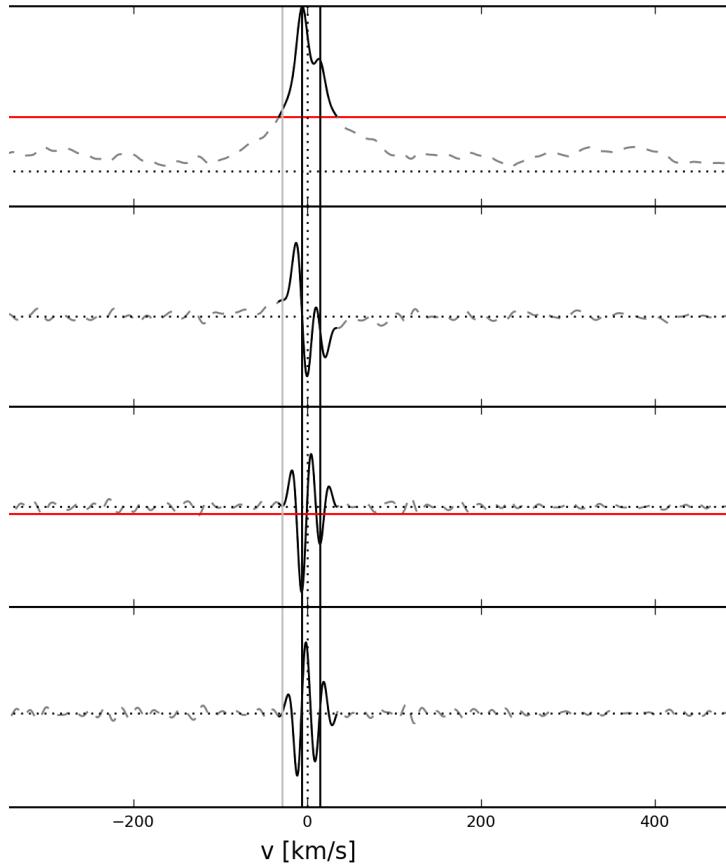
67 SB2 candidates / 137 spectra

Min $\Delta v_{\text{rad}} \sim 15 \text{ km/s}$



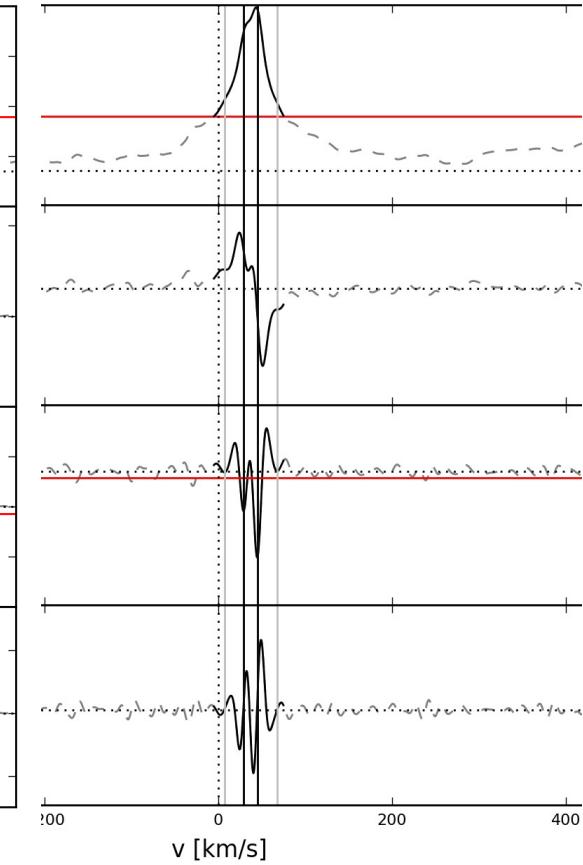
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Probable detection
Confidence flag A



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Possible detection
Confidence flag B



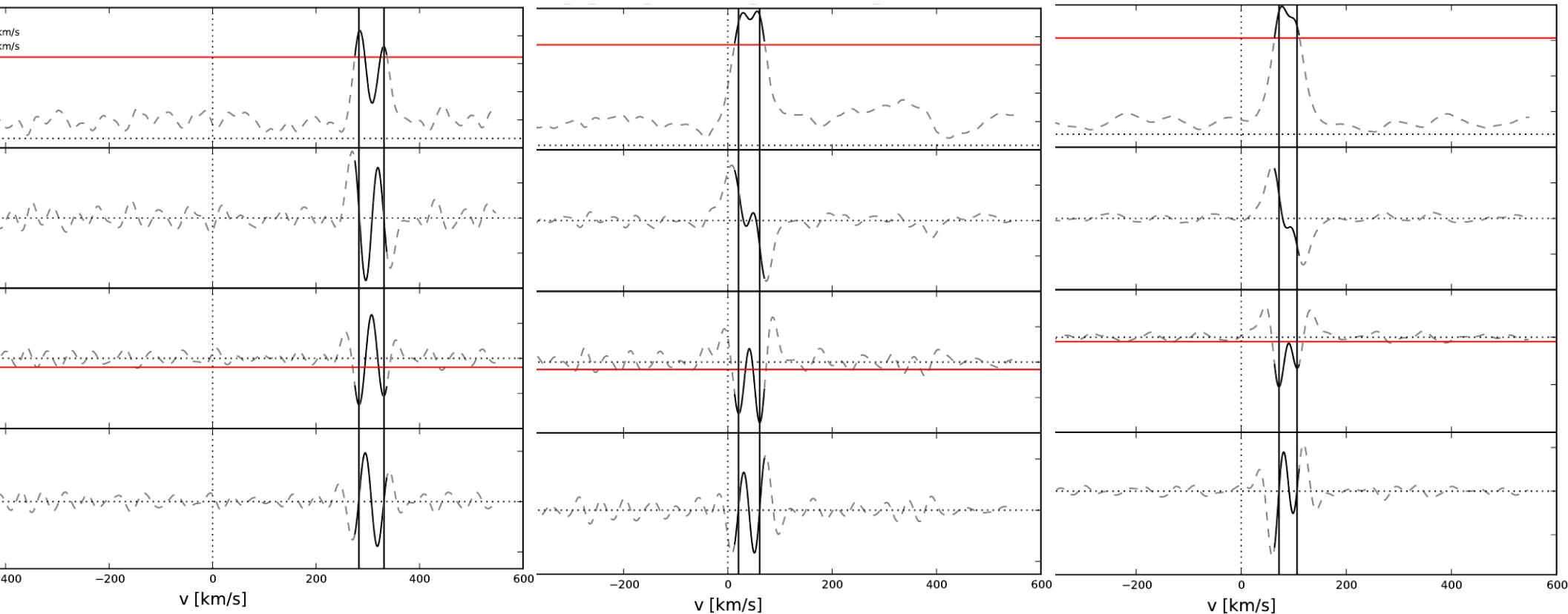
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Tentative detection
Confidence flag C

GIRAFFE SB2 candidates: visual inspection

174 SB2 candidates / 474 spectra

Min $\Delta v_{\text{rad}} \sim 30 \text{ km/s}$



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Probable detection
Confidence flag A

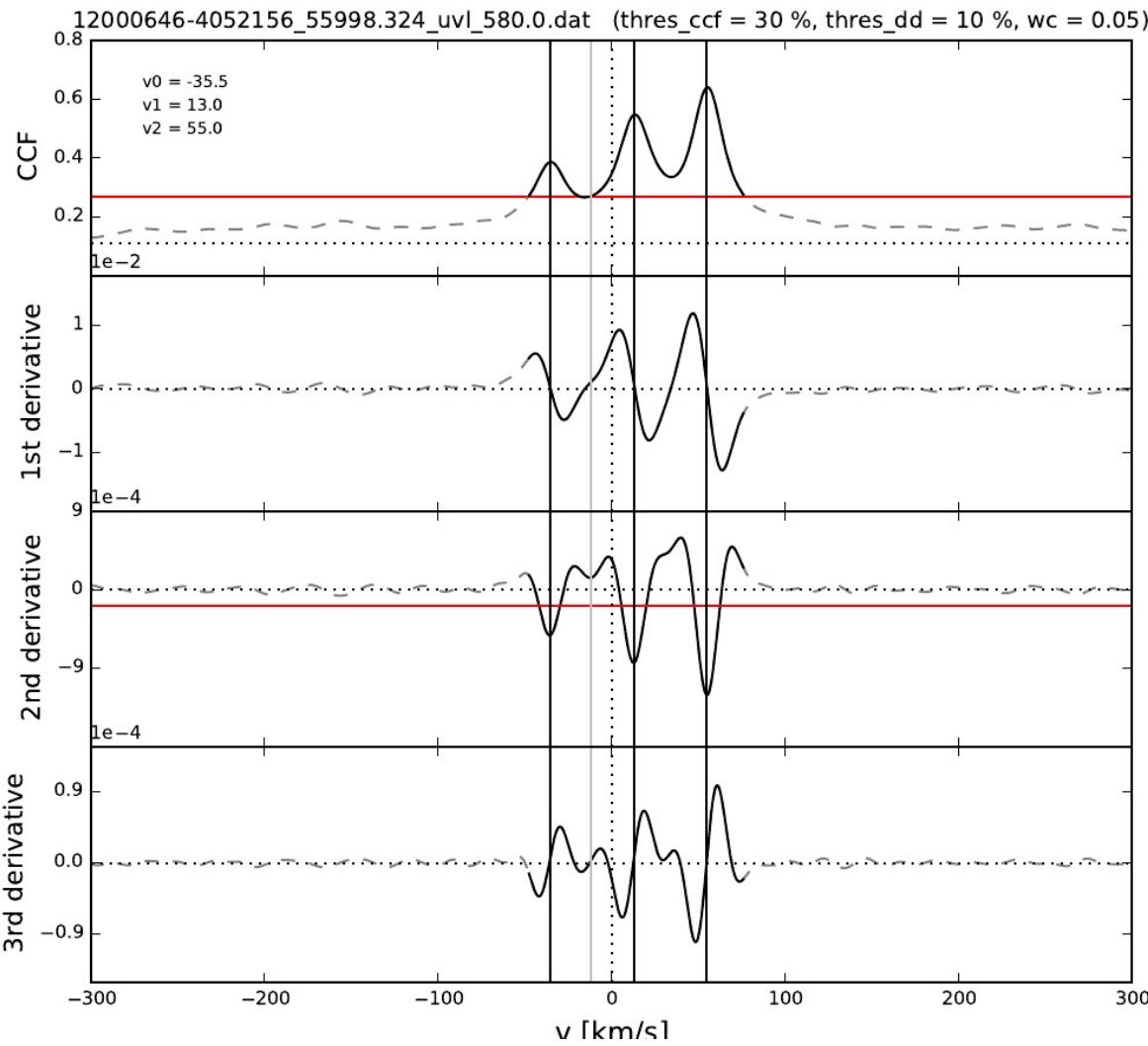
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Possible detection
Confidence flag B

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Tentative detection
Confidence flag C

1 example of UVES SB3 candidate



8 CCFs with 3 peaks detections
(but the same night)

Not in Simbad
(within a radius of 2 arcmin)

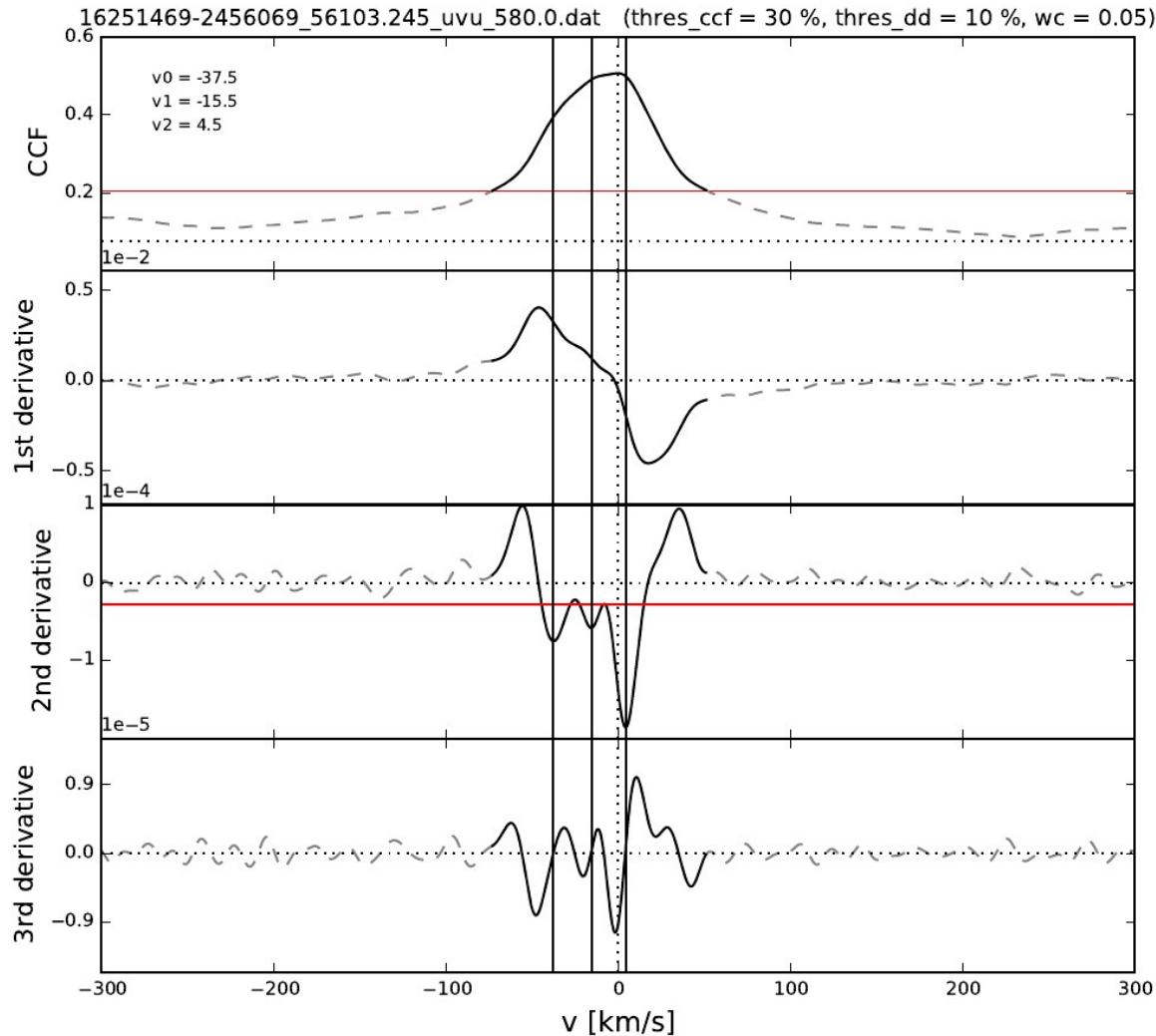
GES_MW
APASS photometry
 $V = 14.31 \pm 0.06$
From Fibinfo extension
 $RV = 12.5 \pm 0.6 \text{ km/s}$

$RV_{\text{SB2}} = 1$

$\text{TMPL_TEFF} = 5000 \text{ K}$
 $\text{TMPL_LOGG} = 4$
 $\text{TMPL_FEH} = -1$

Recommended parameters
 $T_{\text{eff}} = 6058 \pm 250 \text{ K}$
 $\log g = 4.54 \pm 0.53$
 $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -0.40 \pm 0.33$

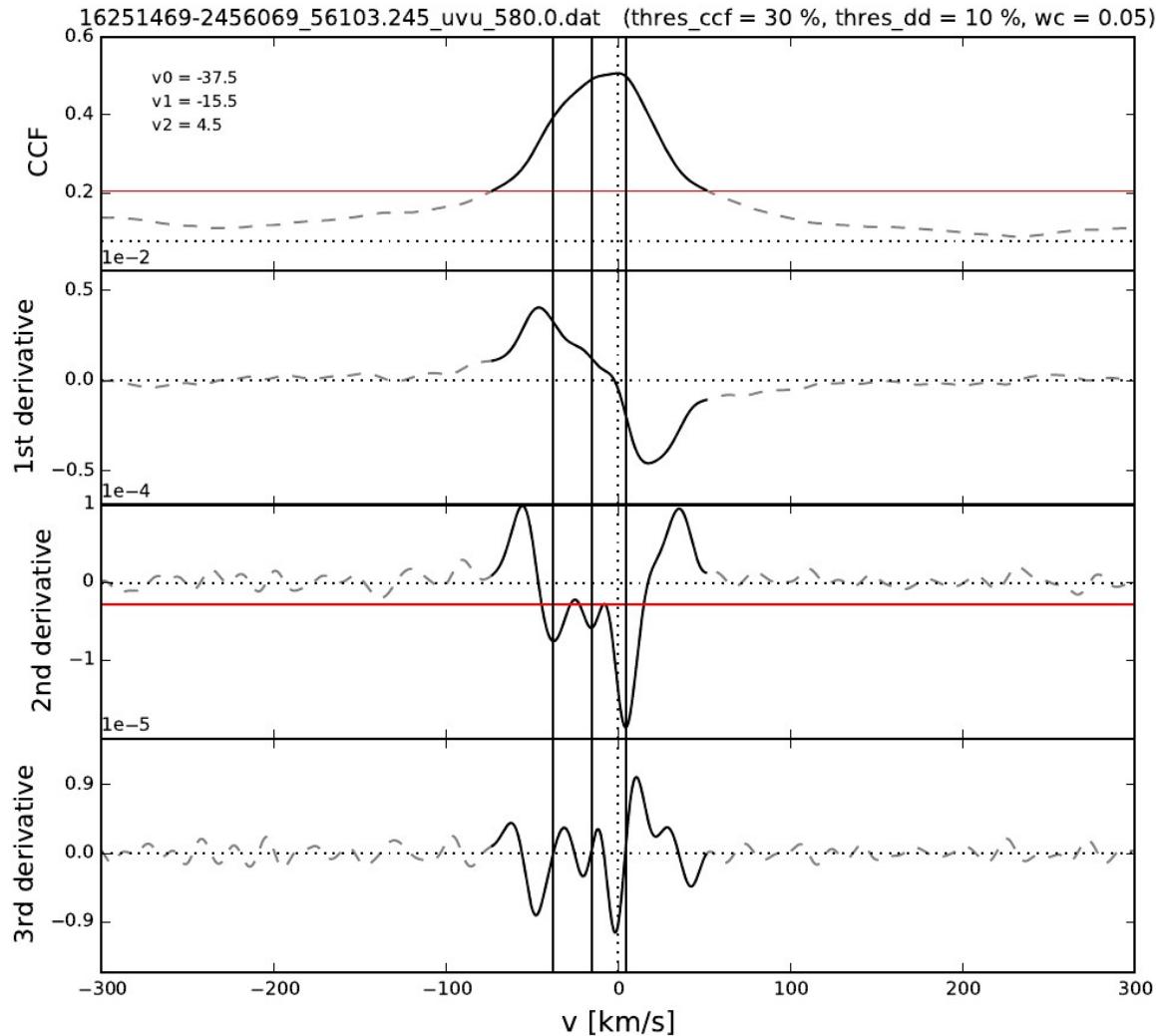
Fake UVES SB3



4 CCFs with 3 peaks detection
(but the same night)

$V \sim 12.9$
Object: TARGET_38
RV = -3.34 ± 0.60 km/s

Fake UVES SB3



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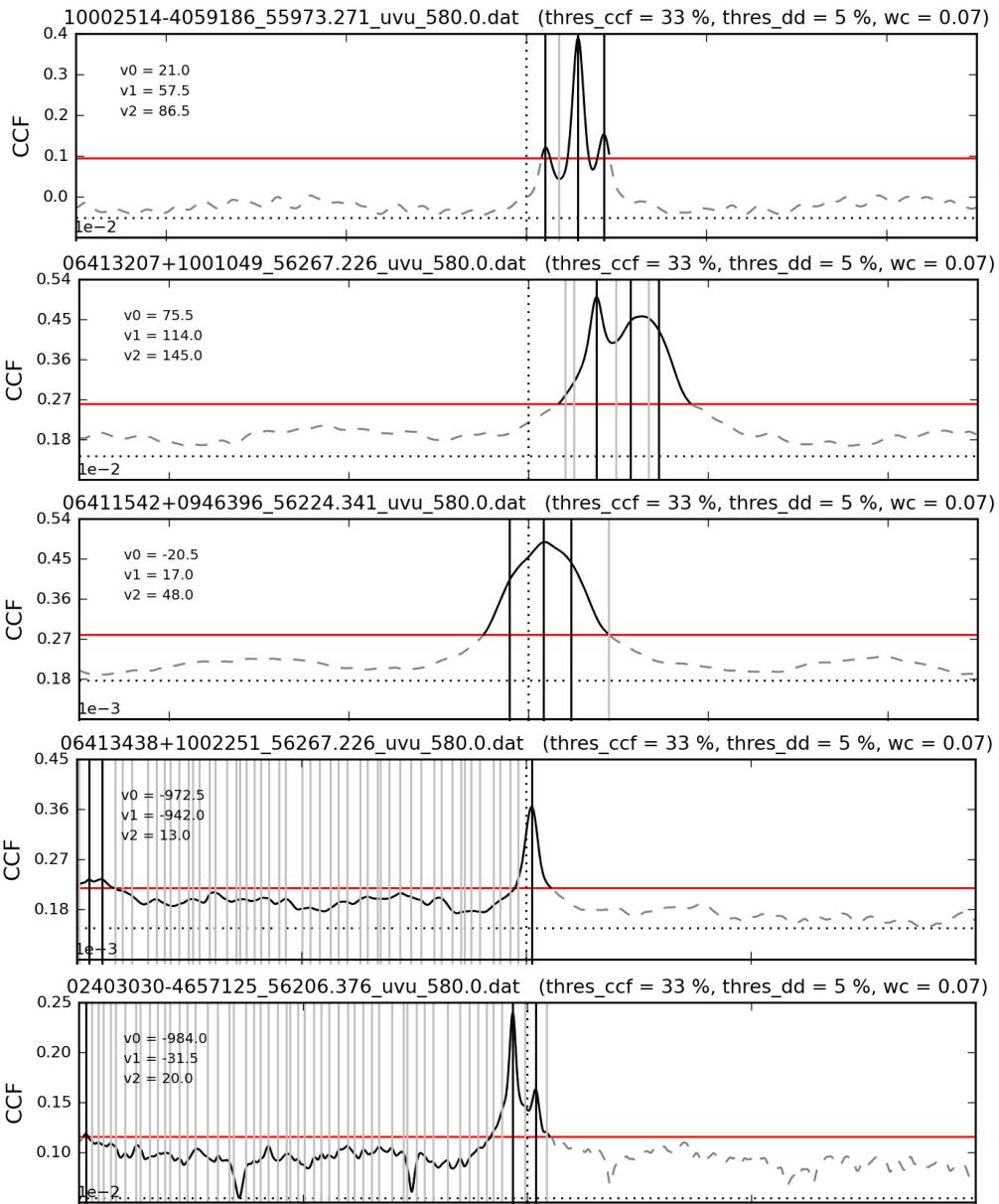
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Simbad identification:
 $d = 6.24''$

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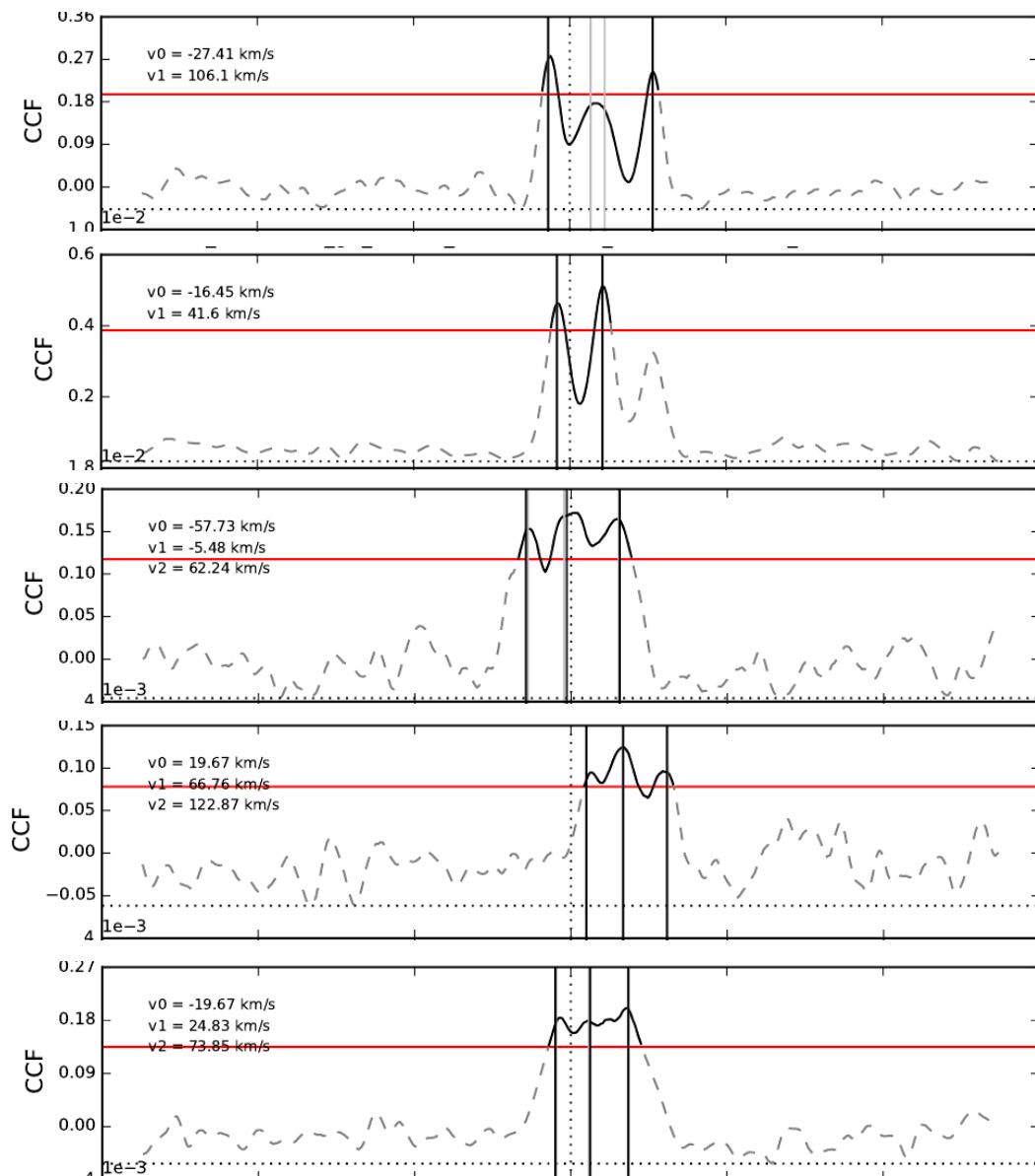
Known as T Tau-type Star

UVES

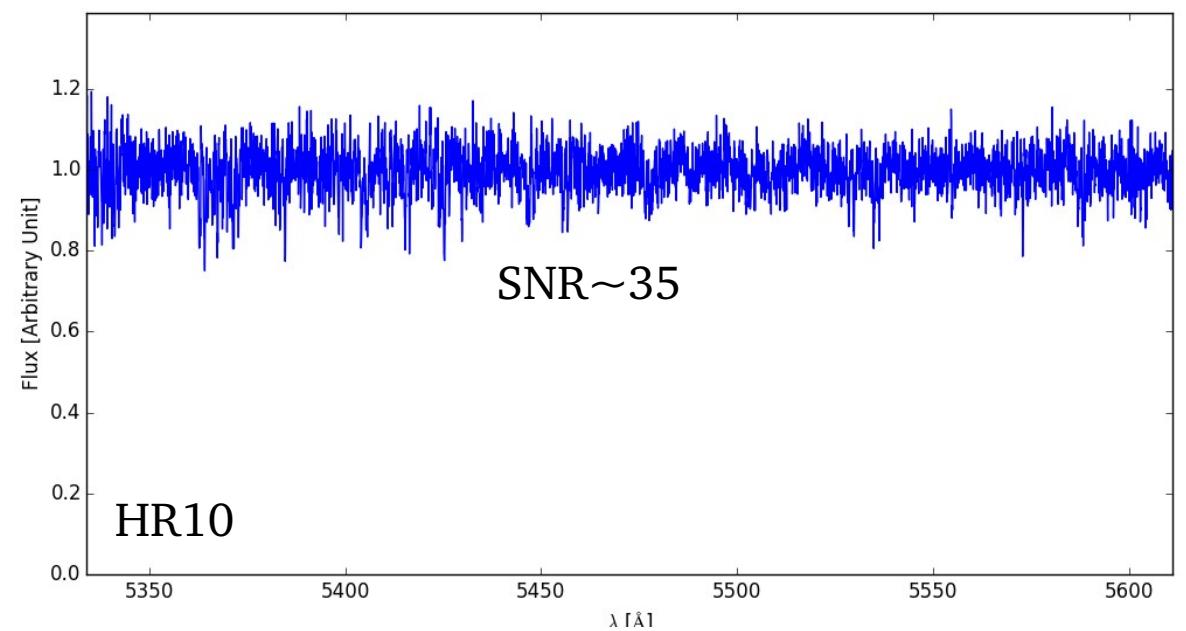
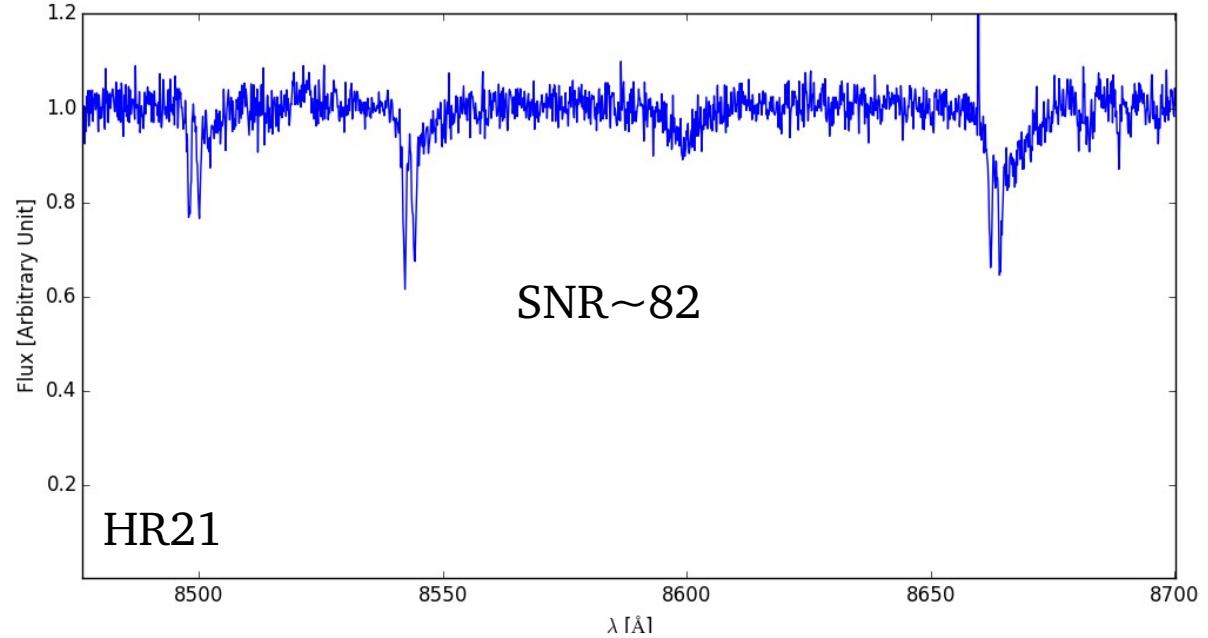
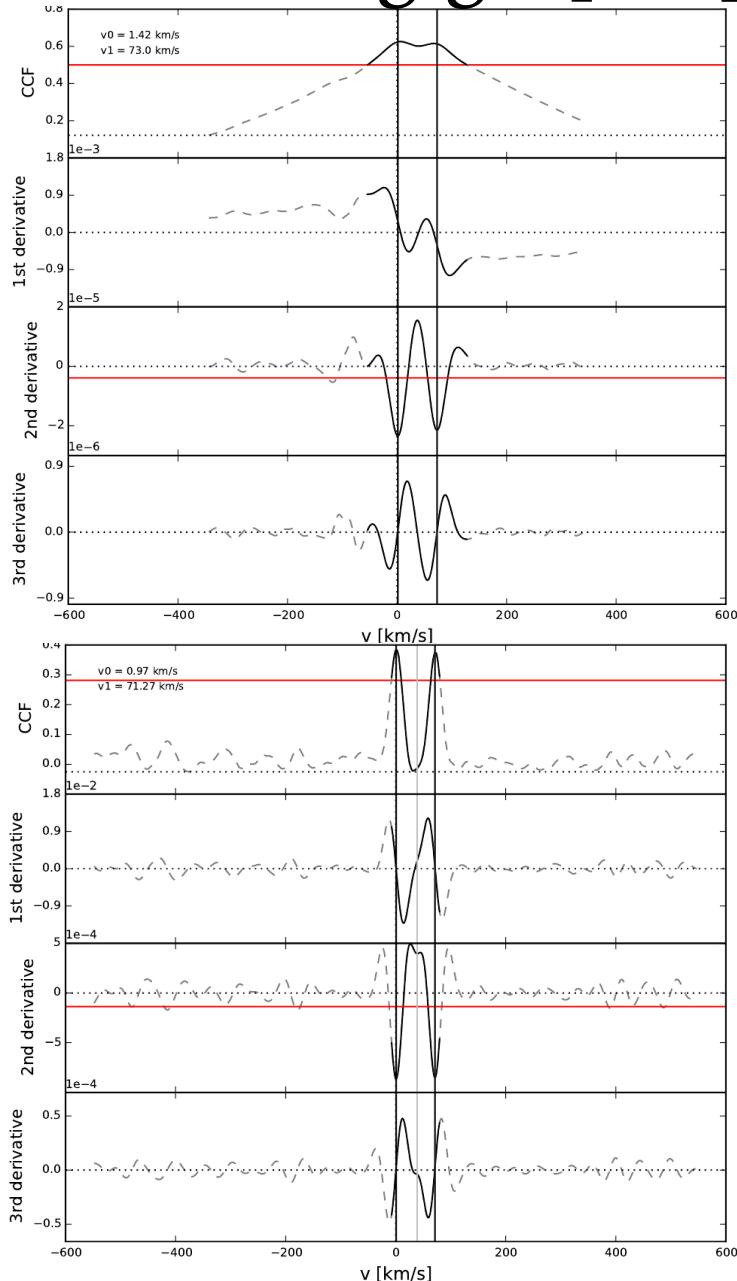


SB3 candidates: visual inspection

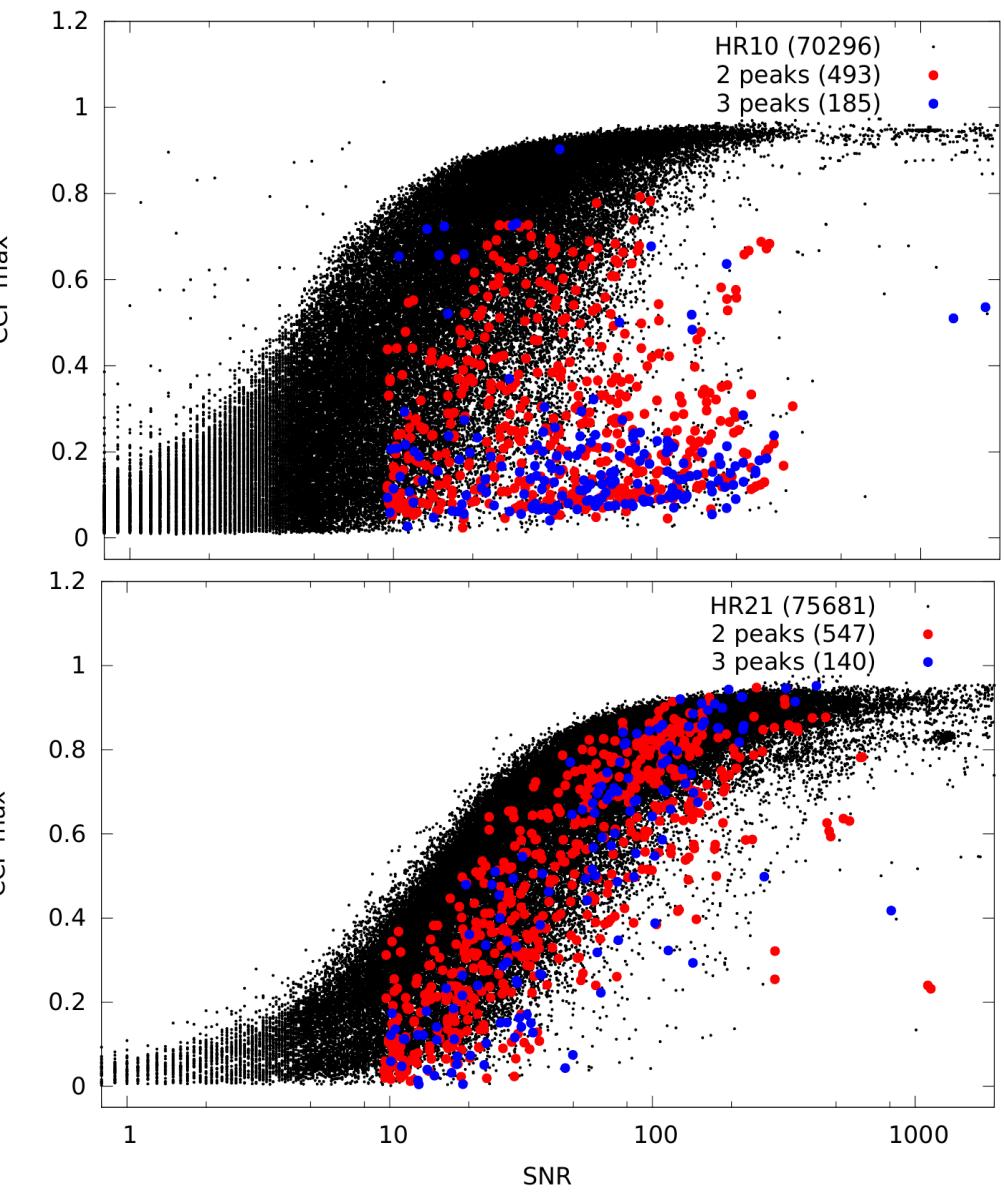
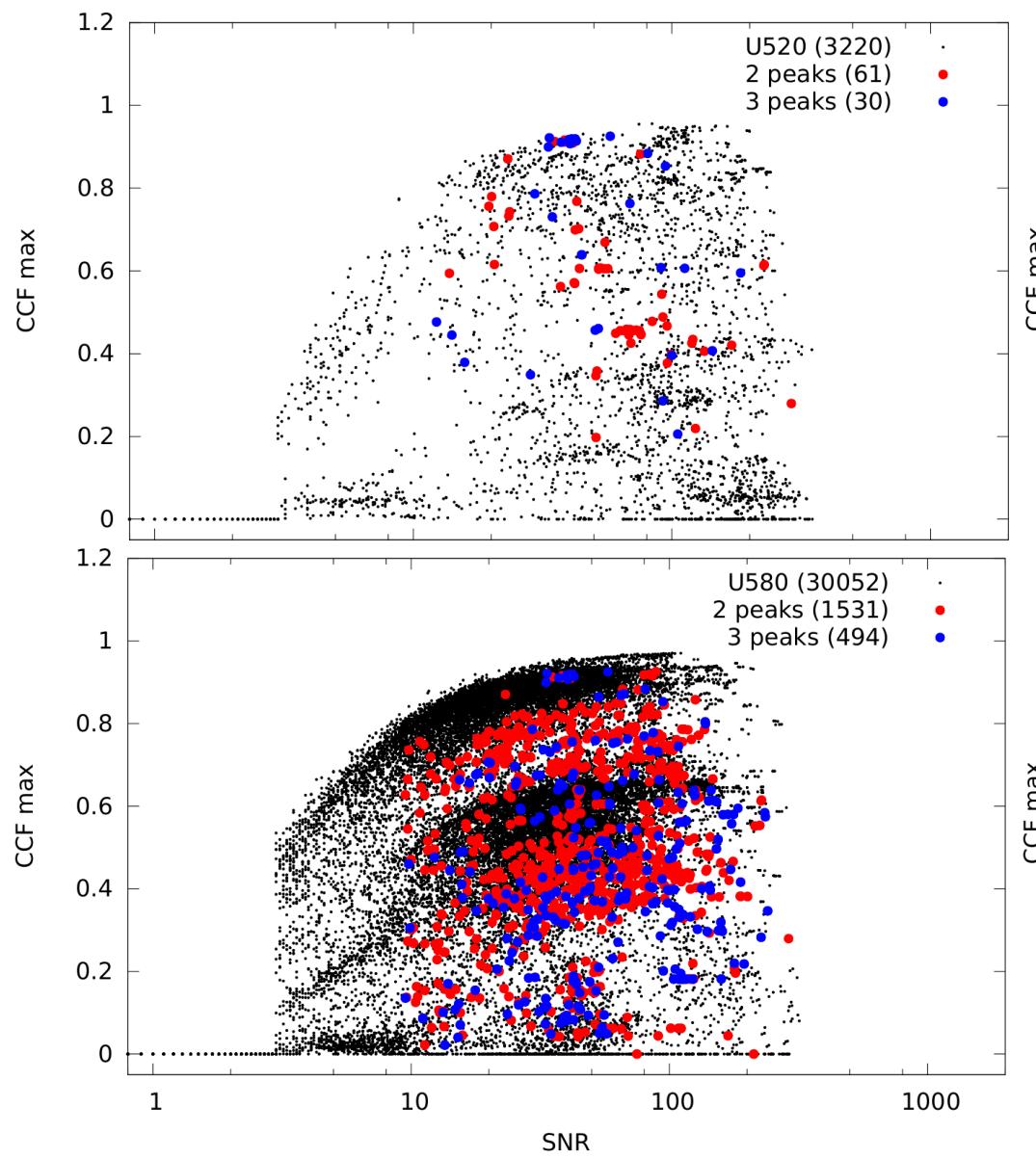
GIRAFFE



GIRAFFE example: V~14, Teff=[6000~8000] K,
 $\log g=[1\text{-}4]$, [Fe/H]=[-2.5,-0.5], NGC6705



Selection criteria



Conclusions

- **Part I: SB in HERMES consortium: binary stars with WD**
 - IP Eri as a 2nd system including He WD with large period and high eccentricity
 - New evolution scenario to explain that the WD loss its envelope before He ignition
 - Sample homogeneously analyzed which show that the s-process enrichment probably depends on the mass of the WD companion
 - Need to increase the statistic to confirm this conclusion
- **Part II: SB in GES**
 - The successive derivatives of the CCFs are used to automatically detect peaks and asymmetries in the CCFs of the GES spectra
 - UVES: **67 SB2, 7 SB3** candidates (among 3374 stars)
 - GIRAFFE: **174 SB2, 15 SB3** candidates for the moment (among 31369 stars)
 - SB1: work in progress (preliminary results: several candidates in UVES CCFs)
 - **Future improvements:**
 - Measurement of the peak widths
 - Code parameters fine tuning (**cut frequency, threshold on CCF and 2nd derivative**) according to setups
 - Detection efficiency based on Monte-Carlo simulations