

TA ASU – Ondřejov observatory

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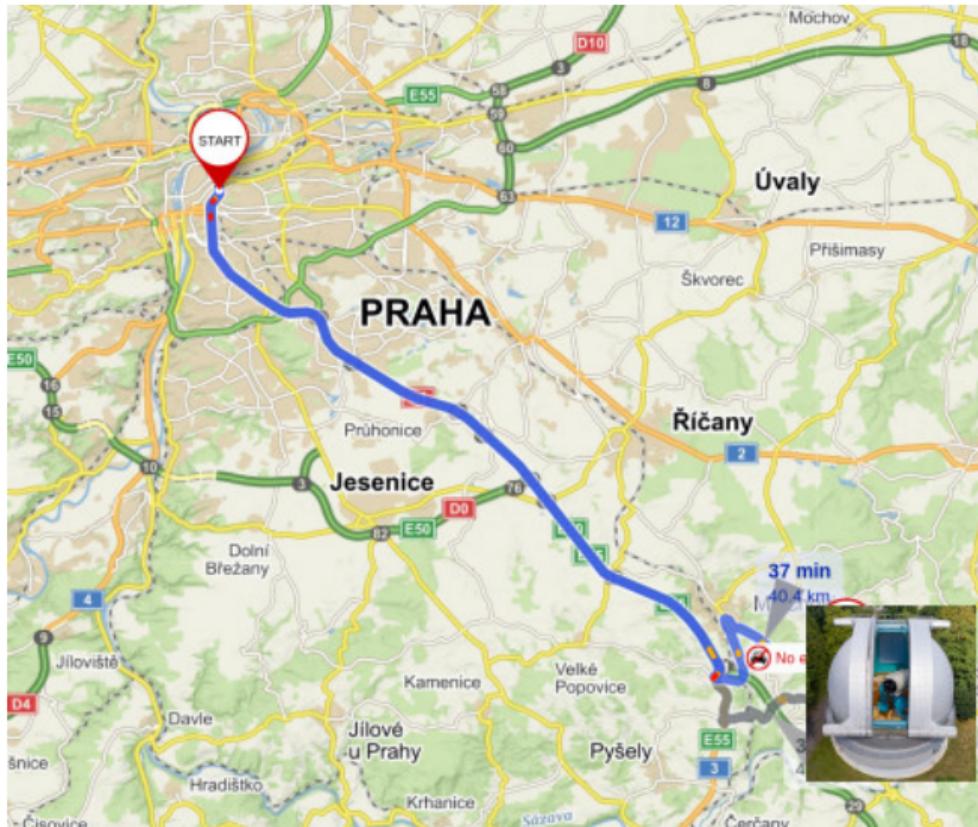
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Location



- Latitude: $49^{\circ}54'54.6''$ North
- Longitude: $14^{\circ}46'51.6''$ East
- Altitude: 528 m
- ~ 40 km from Prague

Telescope and Instrumentation



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The Perek 2-m Telescope



Credit: ASU

- Used for:
 - scientific observations: stars, stellar systems, and exoplanets
 - international monitoring campaigns
 - training of students
- Detailed technical description of the telescope and its instrumentation:

<https://stelweb.asu.cas.cz/en/index.php?section=telescope>

Specifications

- Manufacturer: Carl Zeiss Jena, designer: Alfred Jensch
- Type of mount: Equatorial
- Apertures: primary parabolic mirror D=2m
- Original optical settings: primary, Cassegrain, coudé foci
- Current optical settings (since 2019): optical fiber primary → coudé
- Optical fibers: active core diameter 0.1mm; CeramOptec technology; octagonal type

Instrumentation

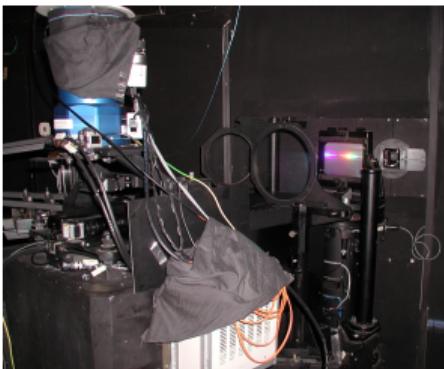
- Spectrographs: single order & echelle, both in the coudé focus
- Photometric and imaging camera: in the primary focus

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Single order spectrograph



Credit: M. Šlechta

- **Resolution:**
 $R \sim 13000$ at $H\alpha$
 $R \sim 25000$ at 4300 \AA
- **Wavelength coverage:**
2nd order: $4000 - 5100 \text{ \AA}$
1st order: $5100 - 8900 \text{ \AA}$

Echelle spectrograph (OES)



Credit.: M. Šlechta

- **High-resolution:** $R \sim 40000$ at $H\alpha$,
 $R \sim 60000$ at $H\gamma$
- **Wavelength coverage (56 orders):**
 $3753 - 9195 \text{ \AA}$

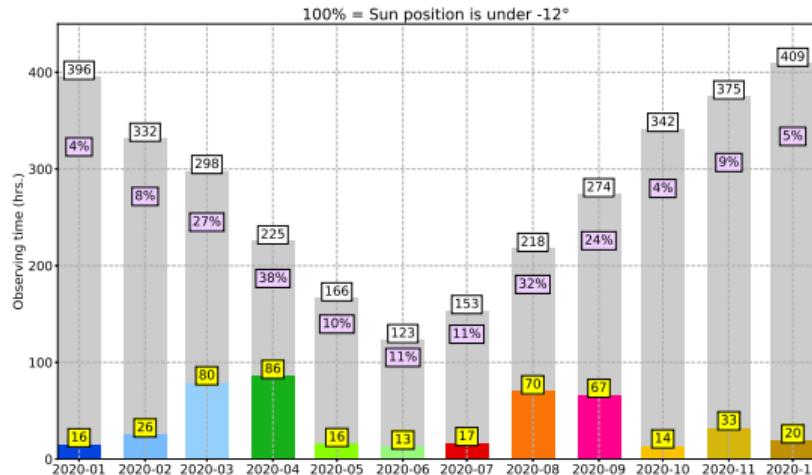
Photometric Camera



Credit: M. Šlechta

- **Resolution:** $R = 0.2 \text{ arcsec/px}$
- **Field of view:** $7 \times 5 \text{ arcmin}$
- **Filters:**
Sloan (u' , g' , r' , i' , and z')
and narrow band $H\alpha$ (3 nm)

The fraction of usable nights per year

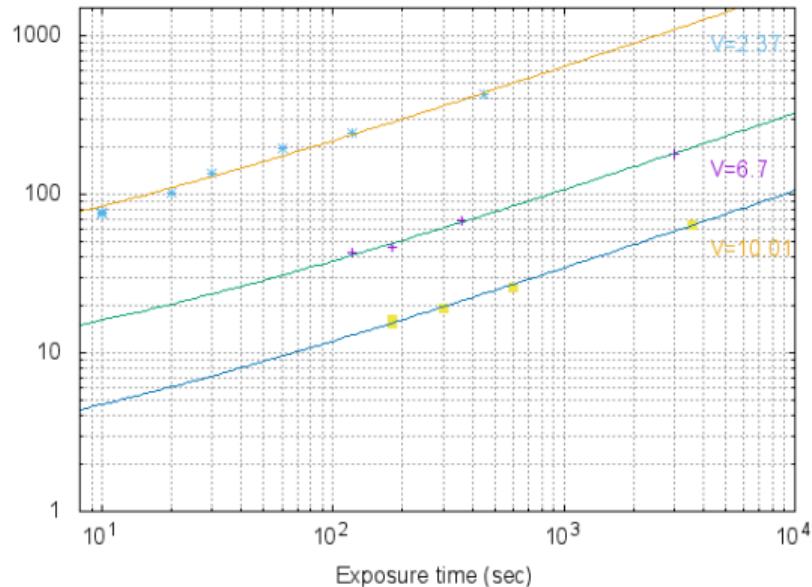


- Central European weather conditions
- **Favorable months for observation: from April to October**
- **Seeing for Ondřejov: 2" – 3"**
(under excellent conditions $\sim 1.5''$)
- **Limiting magnitude for spectroscopy: $V \sim 12$**

Violet text boxes - the percentage of actually uses observing hours per each month. Yellow text boxes - the number of used observing hours per each month. White text boxes - the total amount of hours per each month available for observations. Credit: Jan Fuchs.

SNR vs. Exposure Time

Latitude of stars > 80° above the horizon



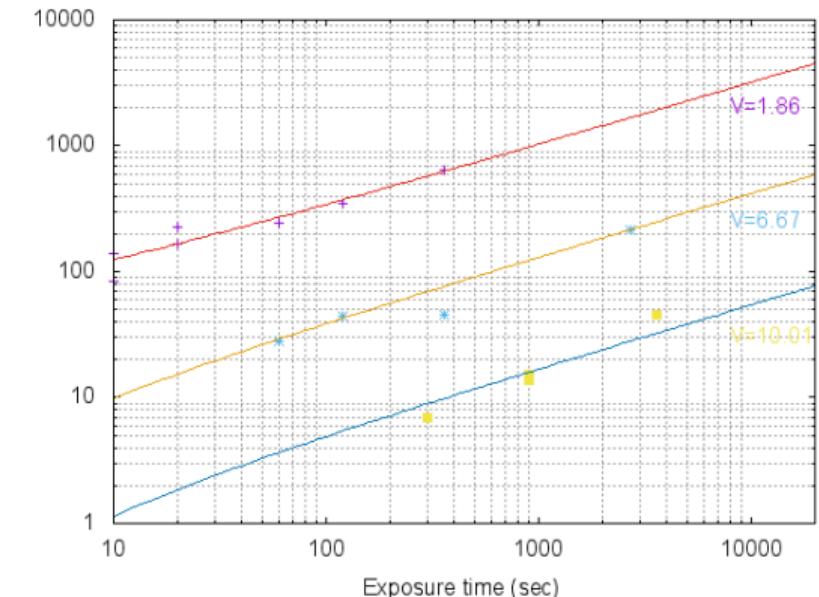
Credit: Miroslav Šlechta.

Echelle spectrograph

- An exposure time of 1000 s
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 650$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 2.37$
- An exposure time of 3600 s
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 200$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 6.7$
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 65$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 10.01$
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 10$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 12$
- SNR vs. exposure time depends on the weather conditions and high above the horizon

SNR vs. Exposure Time

Latitude of stars about 70° above the horizon



Credit: Miroslav Šlechta.

Single order spectrograph

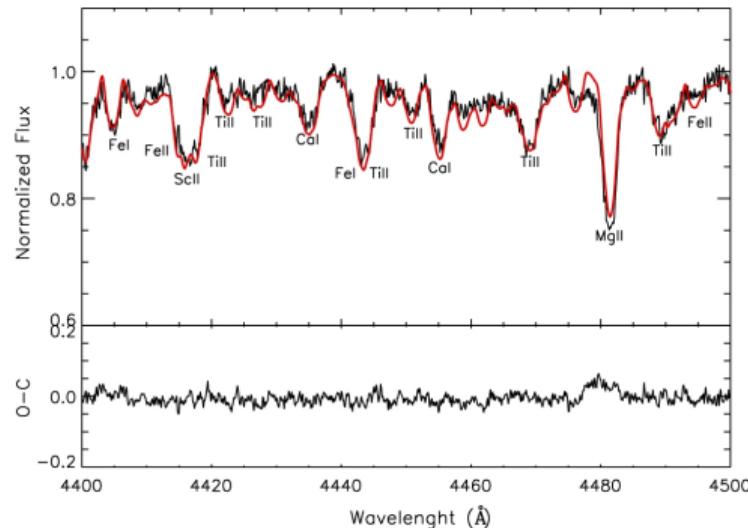
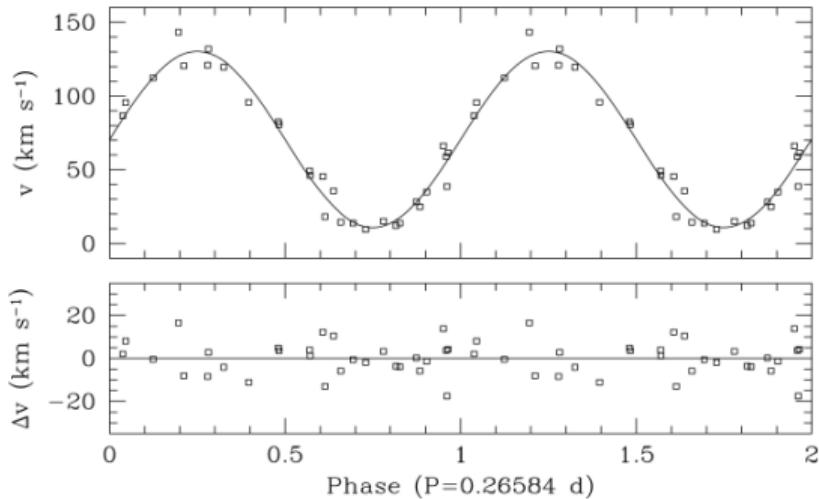
- An exposure time of 1000 s
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 1000$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 1.86$
- An exposure time of 3600 s
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 250$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 6.67$
 - $\text{SNR}_{(H\alpha)} \sim 30$ for $V_{\text{mag}} = 10.01$
- SNR vs. exposure time depends on the weather conditions and high above the horizon

Selected results based on the telescope data



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Research using the single order spectrograph (Low-mass stars)



- **Binary parameters determination.** Radial velocity measurements of GALEX J0321+4727 hydrogen-rich sdB ($V_{\text{mag}} = 11.7$), folded on the orbital period and best-fit sine curve (Kawka et al. 2010, MNRAS 408, 992).

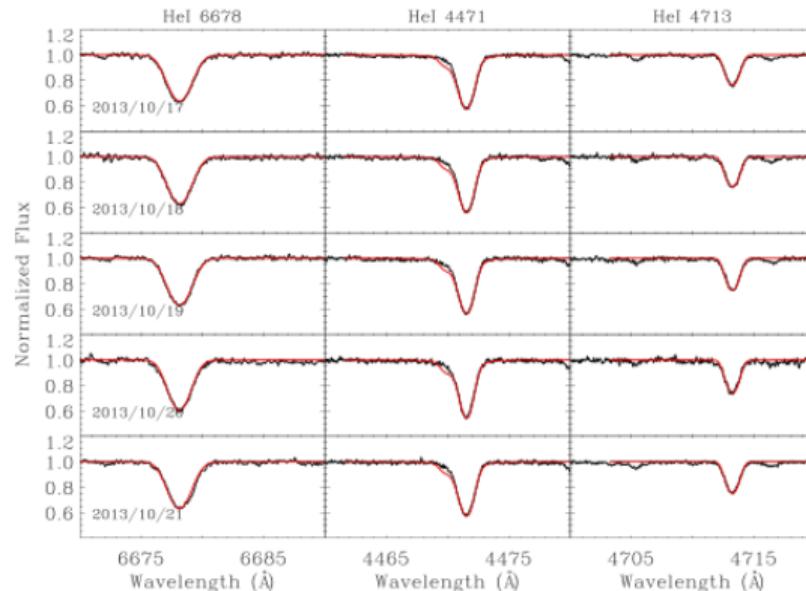
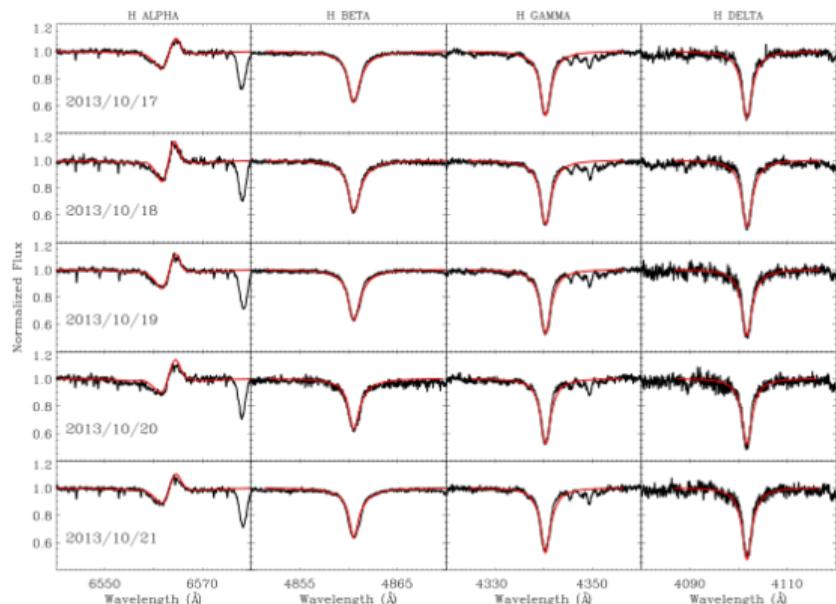
- **Abundance analysis.** Comparison of the theoretical (red lines) and observed spectra of δ Sct star HL Dra, $V_{\text{mag}} = 7.36$ (Kahraman et al. 2017, MNRAS 470, 915).

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Research using the single order spectrograph (Massive hot stars)



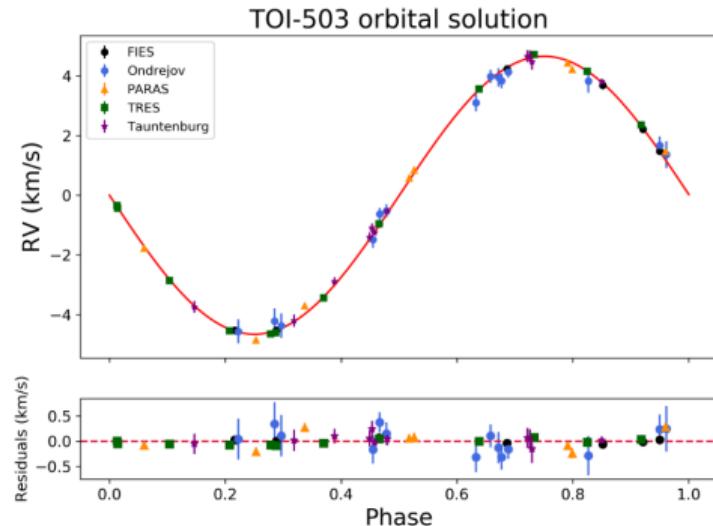
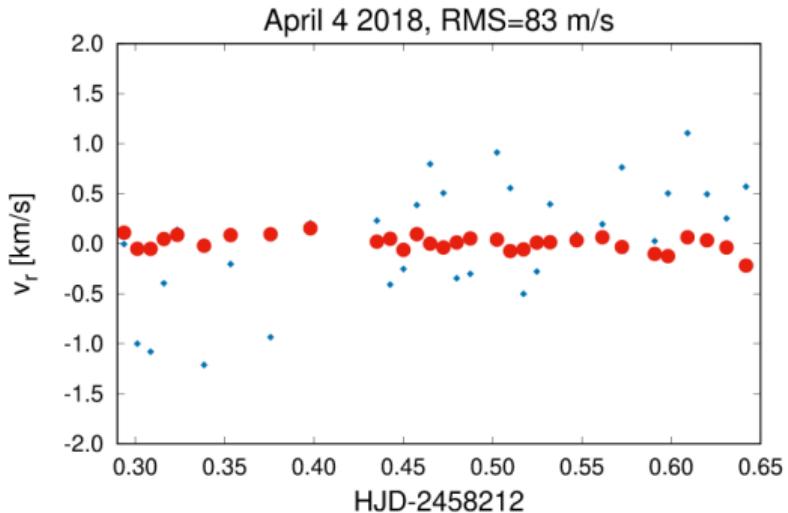
Determination of stellar wind parameters, variability study. Interplay between pulsations and mass loss in the blue supergiant 55 Cyg = HD 198478. Comparison of the theoretical (red lines) and observed spectra (Kraus et al. 2015, A&A, 581, A75). $R \sim 13\,000$ at H_α and $\text{SNR} \gtrapprox 300$.

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Research using the OES



- The stability of the radial velocity data measured on a 5-mag G-type star (Kabáth et al. 2020, PASP, 132, 5002.). **The RMS ~ 80 m/s in one night (or 200-300 m/s in several months) can be achieved.**

- Spectroscopic orbit of TOI-503 – the first known **brown-dwarf / Am-star** binary from the TESS Mission. Ondřejov data are plotted with blue points (Šubjak et al. 2020, AJ, 159, 4).

Proposal system and Observing



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Proposal system

- Call for proposals: every month
- Applications for observing time via the ChETEC-INFRA TNA platform
- Applications reviewed: every month (but we can be flexible)

Observing

- Mode of operation: SERVICE
- We can offer min 10 clear nights/year (i.e., in total ~ 40 nights for period 2021-2024)

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A large, grey, hemispherical observatory dome is positioned on the left side of the frame. The sky above is filled with numerous stars of varying brightness, with a prominent, colorful nebula or galaxy visible in the upper center. A dense forest of tall evergreen trees is visible in the background, silhouetted against the dark sky.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!