

DETERMINACIÓN DE PARÁMETROS ESTELARES MEDIANTE ESPECTROSCOPÍA DE ALTA RESOLUCIÓN CON EL INSTRUMENTO



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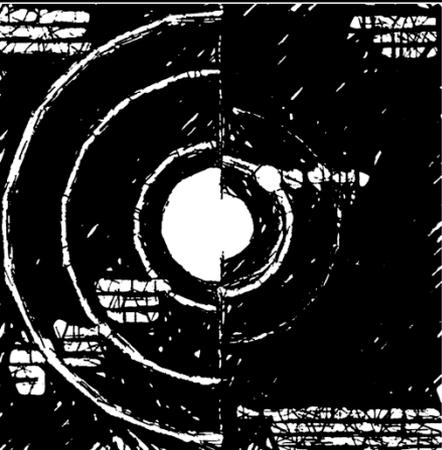
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Calar Alto high-Resolution search for M dwarfs with Exoearths with Near-infrared and optical Échelle Spectrographs

CARMENES is also:

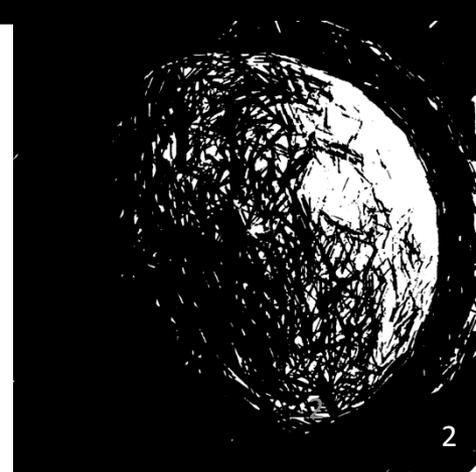
- A consortium of 11 institutions (5 German + 5 Spanish + Calar Alto Observatory).
- A project that aims at the detection of low-mass planets in their habitable zones by means of a survey of ~300 late-type (M) main-sequence stars.

Its science survey of Guaranteed Time Observations (GTO) started on **1th January 2016** and will last for at least five years.



We are also reaping the rewards of CARMENES observations. Some highlights:

- Ribas et al. 2018, *Nature*, 563, pp. 365-368
- Kaminski et al. 2018, *A&A*, 618, A115
- Reiners et al. 2018, *A&A*, 609, L5

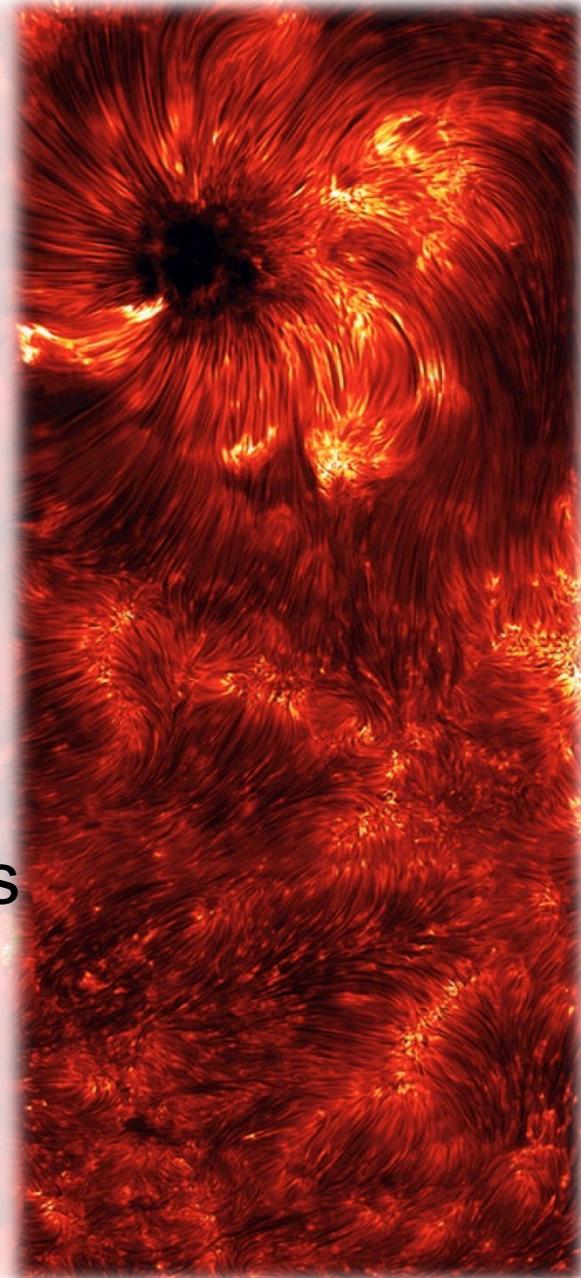


Aims & Methods

Aim: Our goal is to determine the **stellar atmospheric parameters** (T_{eff} , $\log g$, and $[M/H]$) of **M-type dwarfs** observed with CARMENES under its **GTO programme** by means of the **spectral synthesis technique**.

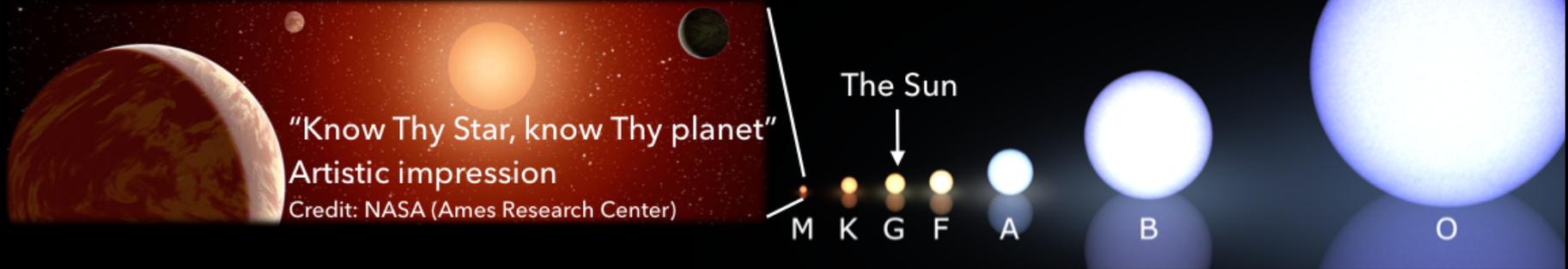
Why? Three main reasons:

- Habitable zones
- Statistics on exoplanetary systems
- Influence on other parameter determinations (stellar mass, radius, age)



In spectroscopy, two of the most widely-used spectroscopic methods to determine stellar atmospheric parameters are:

- ➔ The Equivalent Width (EW) method (see e. g. Sousa et al. 2008)
- ➔ The Spectral Synthesis method (see e. g. Valenti & Fisher 2005)



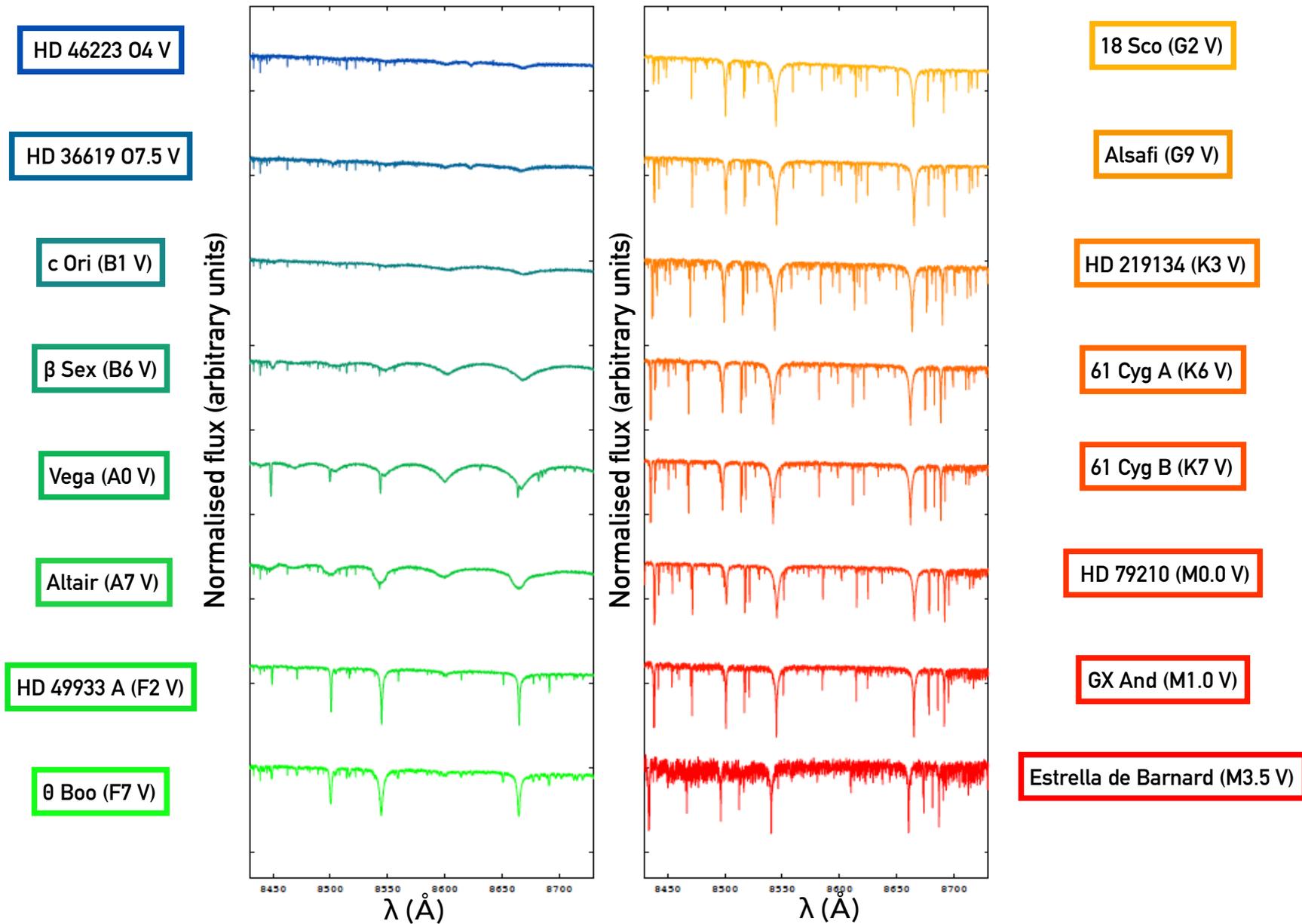
What the sky would look like if we were orbiting the Barnard's star (M4 D)



- **The CARMENES spectral library**
- **the EW method**

The CARMENES stellar library

Infrared calcium II triplet
($\lambda = 8498 \text{ \AA}$, 8542 \AA , 8662 \AA)



The Equivalent Width (EW) method

This method relies on the measurements of the equivalent widths of a given selection of spectral lines and derives the stellar parameters of the star under the assumption of local thermodynamic equilibrium (LTE) (Andreasen et al., 2016, A&A 585, A143).

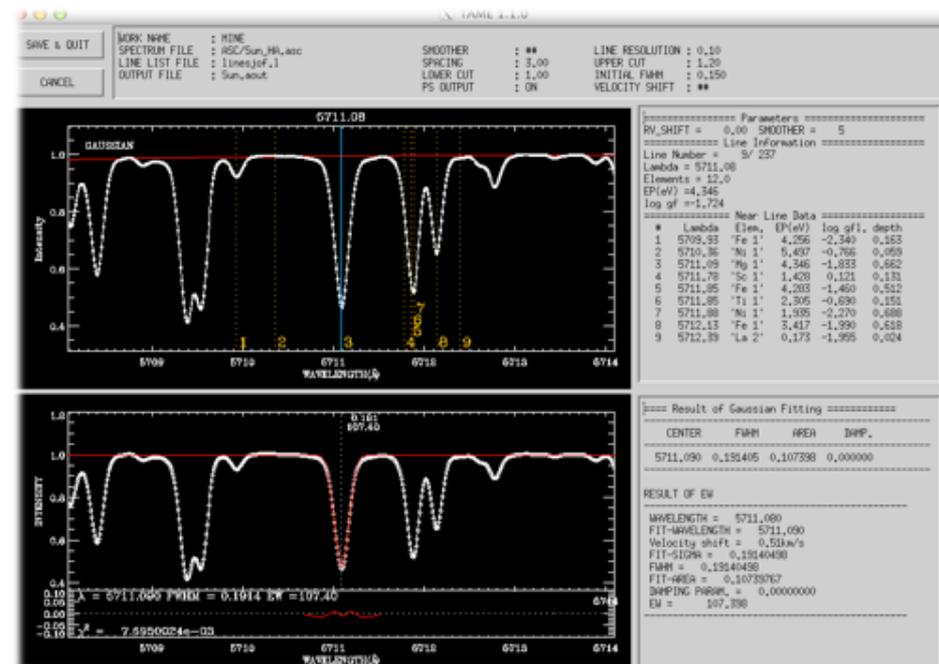
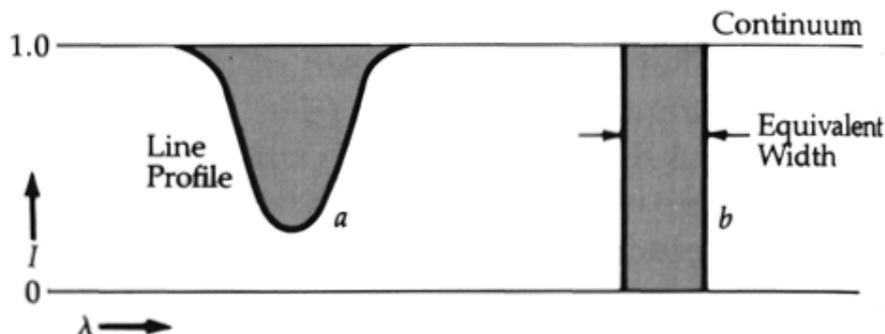
To apply this method, we use two different pieces of software:

- ➔ TAME (Kang et al., 2012, MNRAS 425, 3162-3171)
- ➔ StePar (Tabernero et al., 2012, A&A, 547, A13).

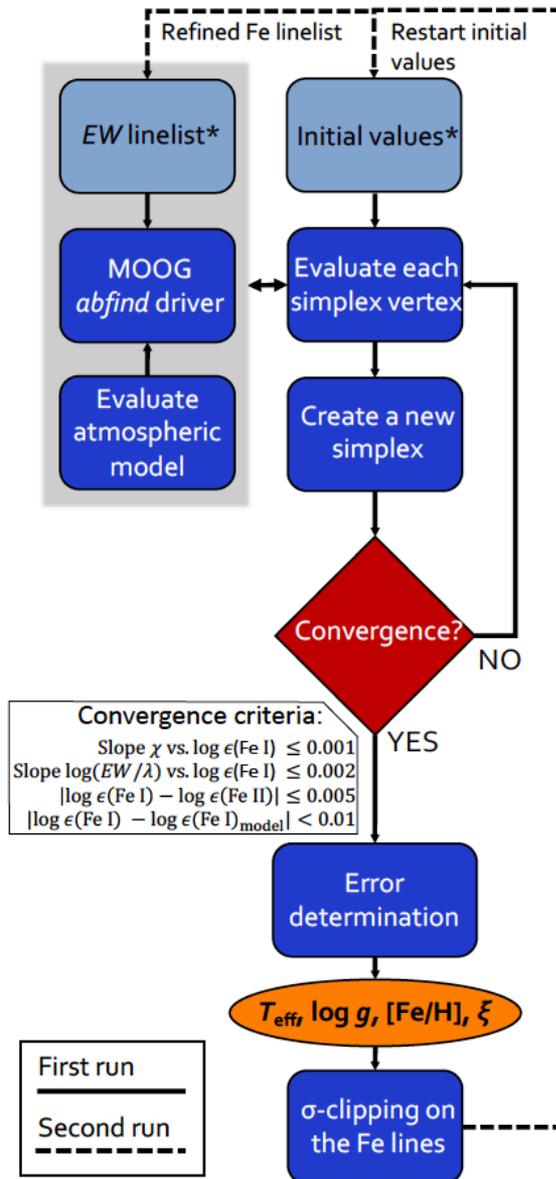
TAME is used for measuring the EW of the lines under analysis on each of our spectra.

Formal definition of the Equivalent Width:

$$W_{\lambda} = \int \left(1 - \frac{F_{\lambda}}{F_0} \right) d\lambda$$



StePar (Tabernero, H. M., Marfil, E. Montes, D. et al., A&A, submitted)



STE_{PAR}: an automatic code to infer stellar atmospheric parameters

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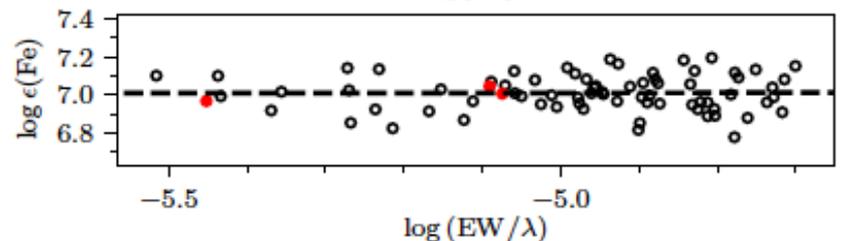
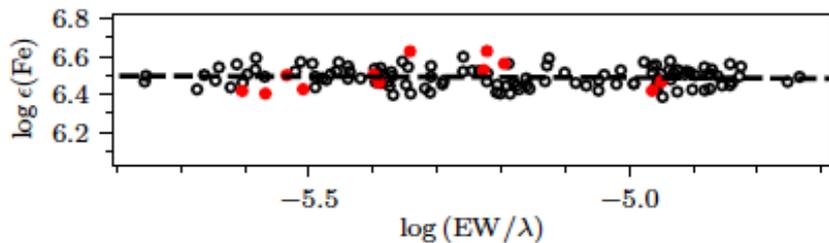
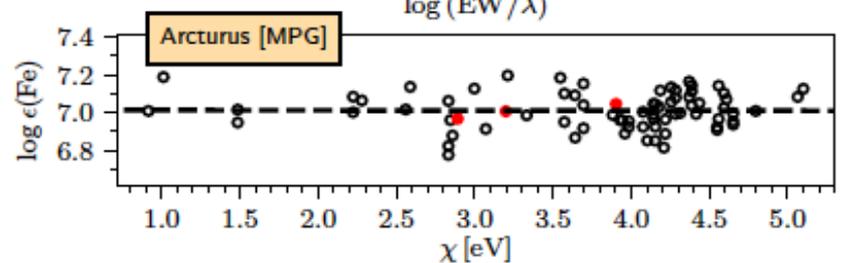
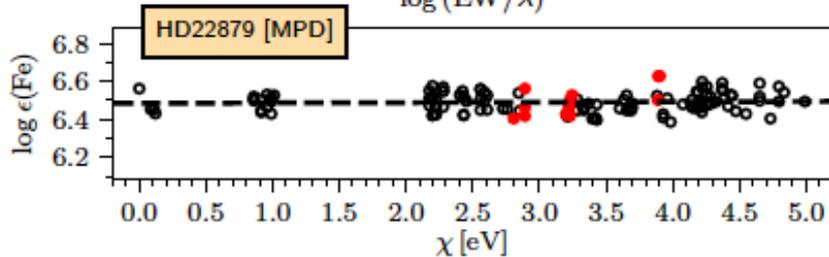
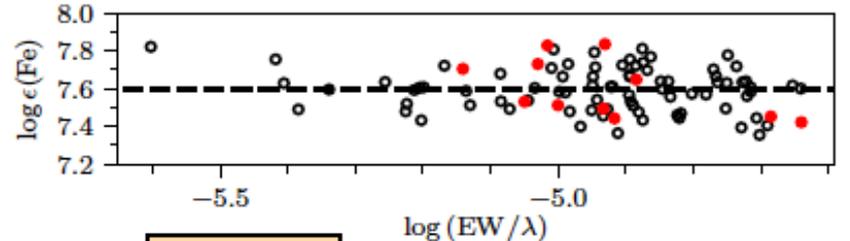
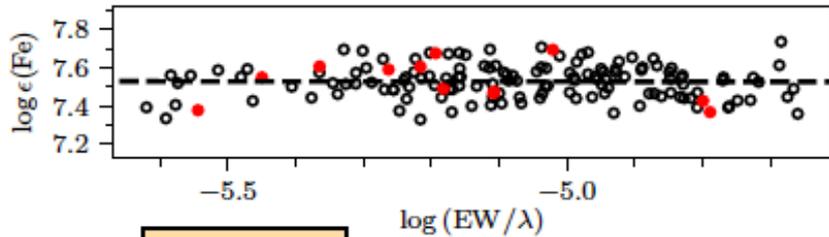
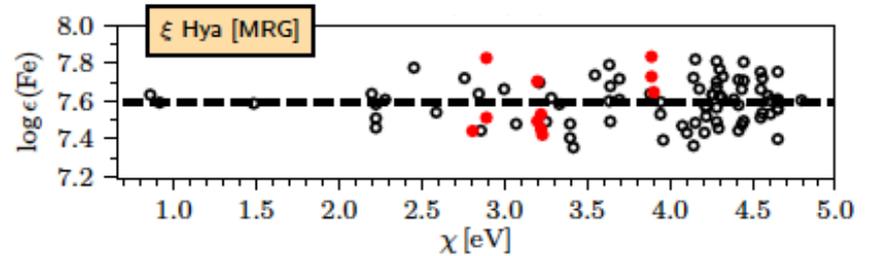
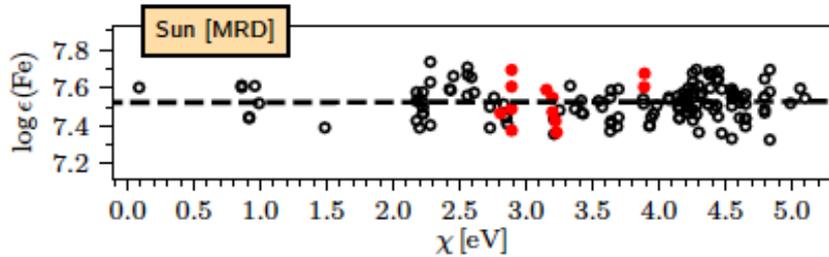
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Gaia ESO Survey: UCM node
 Tabernero et al., A&A, 2012, 2014
 Montes, D. et al. MNRAS, 2018
 Marfil, E. et al., A&A, in prep.

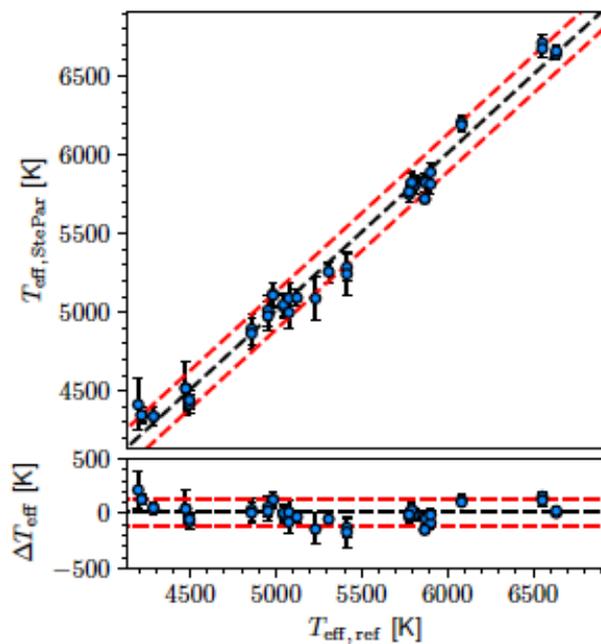
StePar workflow diagram

MOOG standard output (Fe abundance vs. excitation potential and EW)

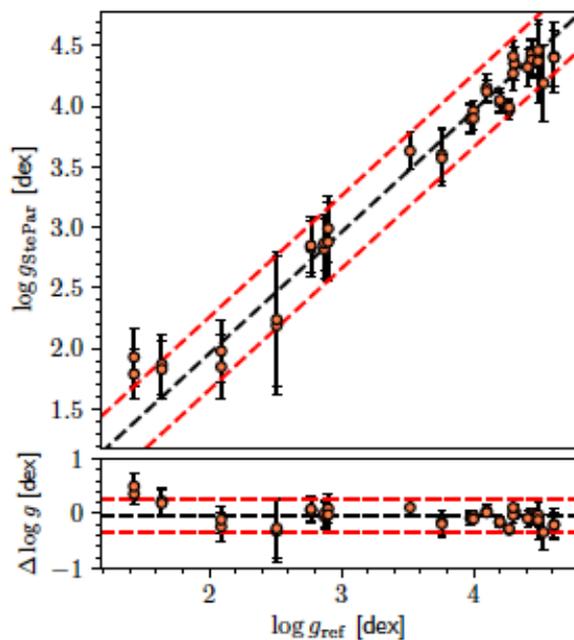


Testing StePar against Gaia benchmark stars

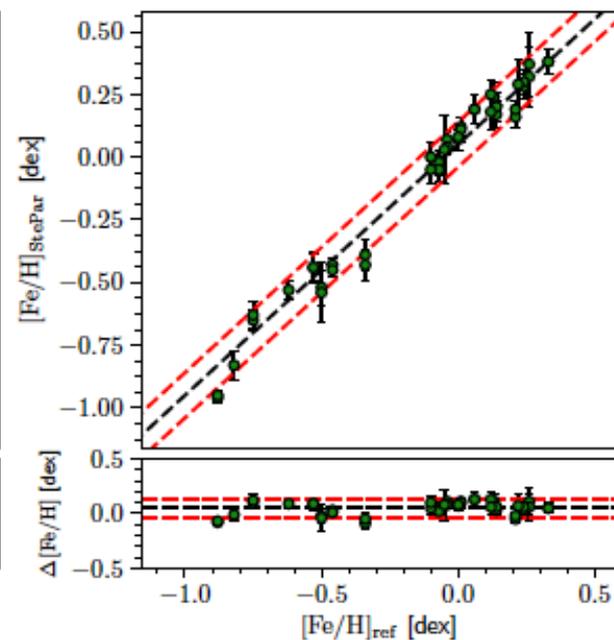
T_{eff}

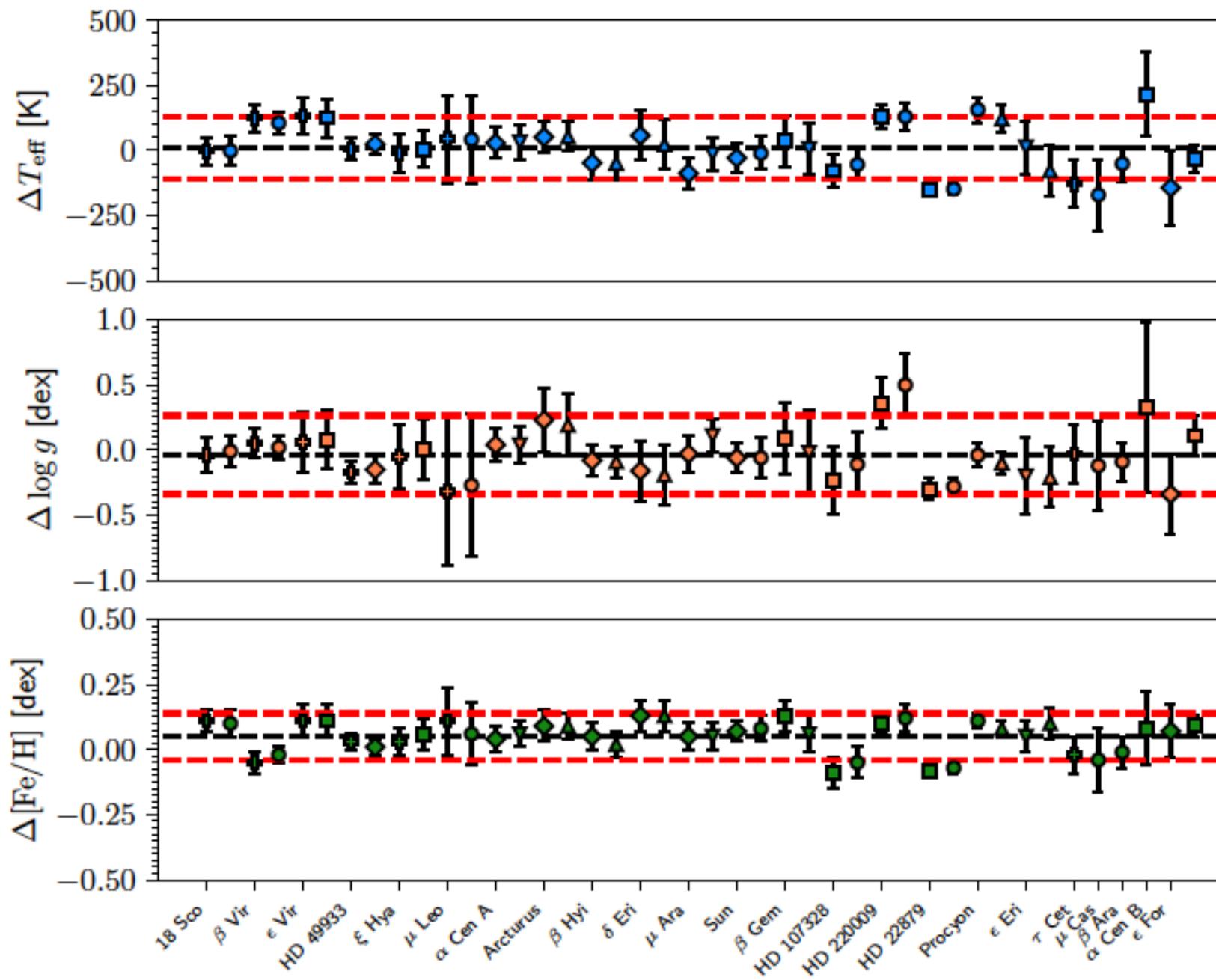


$\log g$



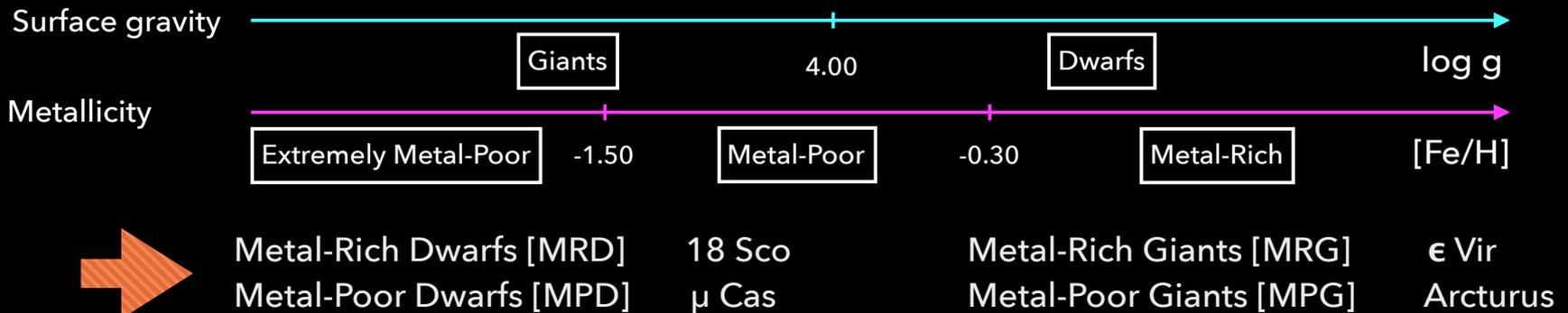
[Fe/H]





The CARMENES stellar library

(Caballero et al. A&A, in prep.)



Some of the investigated stars are also **Gaia Benchmark Stars** (Jofré et al. 2014, Heiter et al. 2015), which are meant to serve as reference stars of spectroscopic surveys since their parameters have been determined independently from spectroscopy. This in turn will help us assess and validate our own method.

Selected spectral lines along with their atomic parameters come from **VALD3 database** (Ryabchikova et al. 2015)

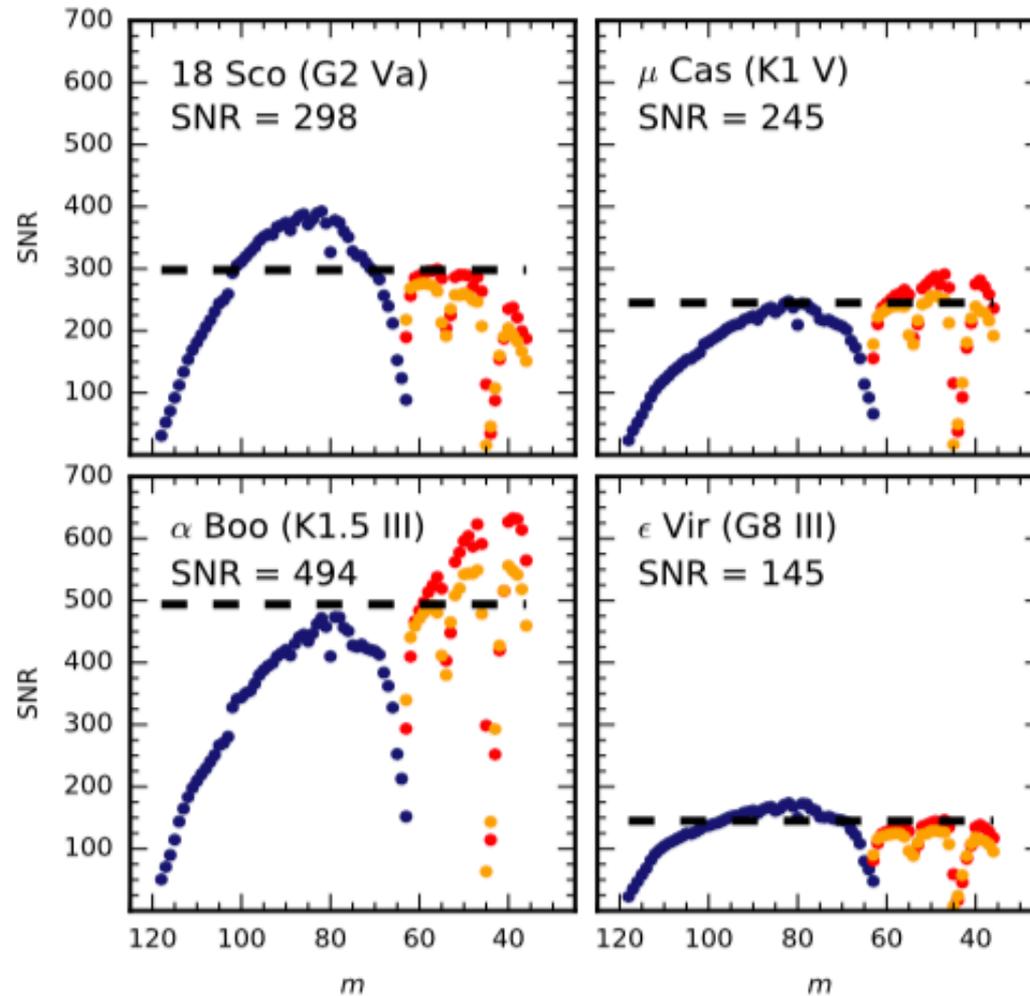


Fig. 2. Signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of the FITS spectra of the reference stars as a function of the spectral order m . The dashed black lines lie at the global SNR estimation given by iSpec.

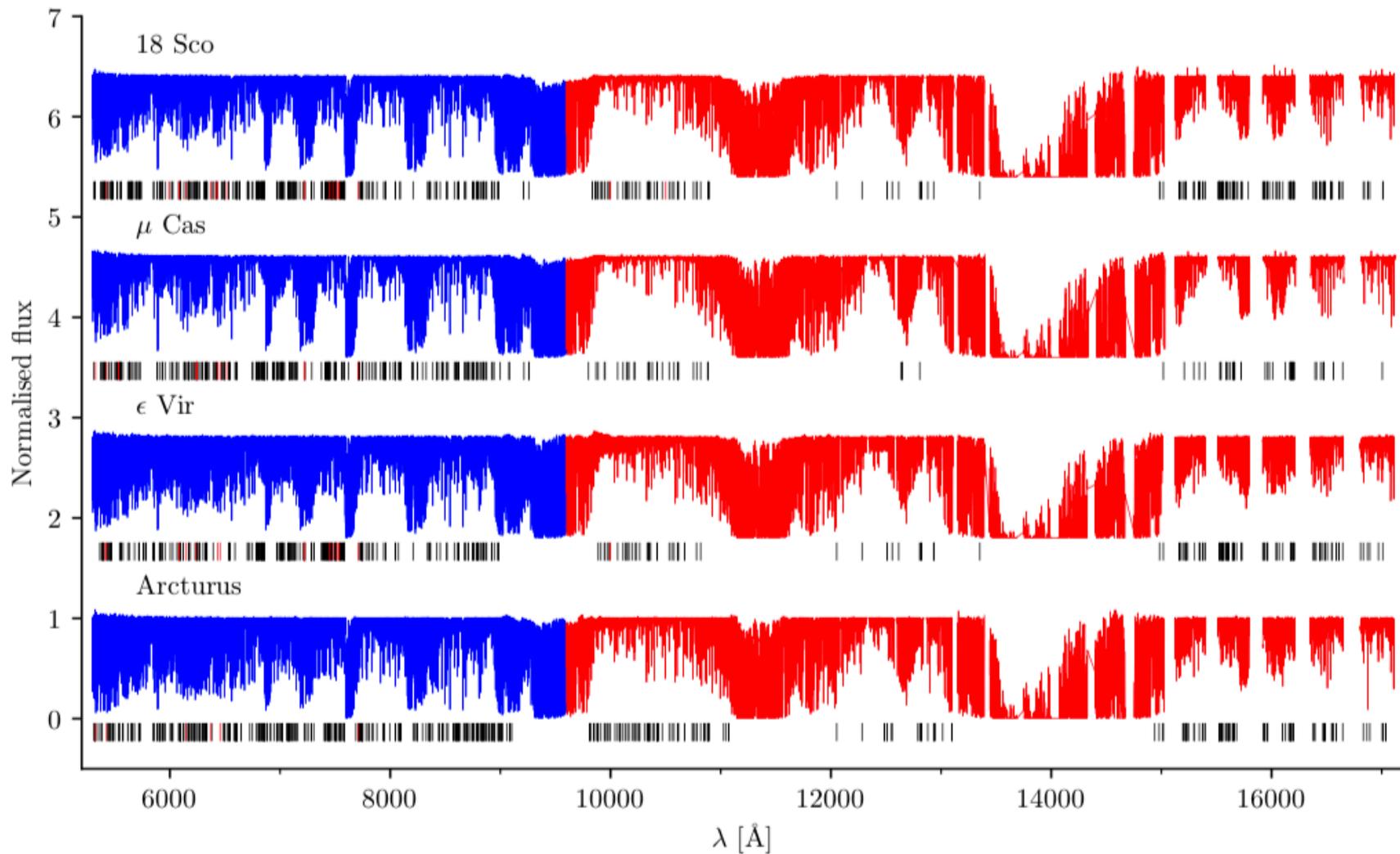
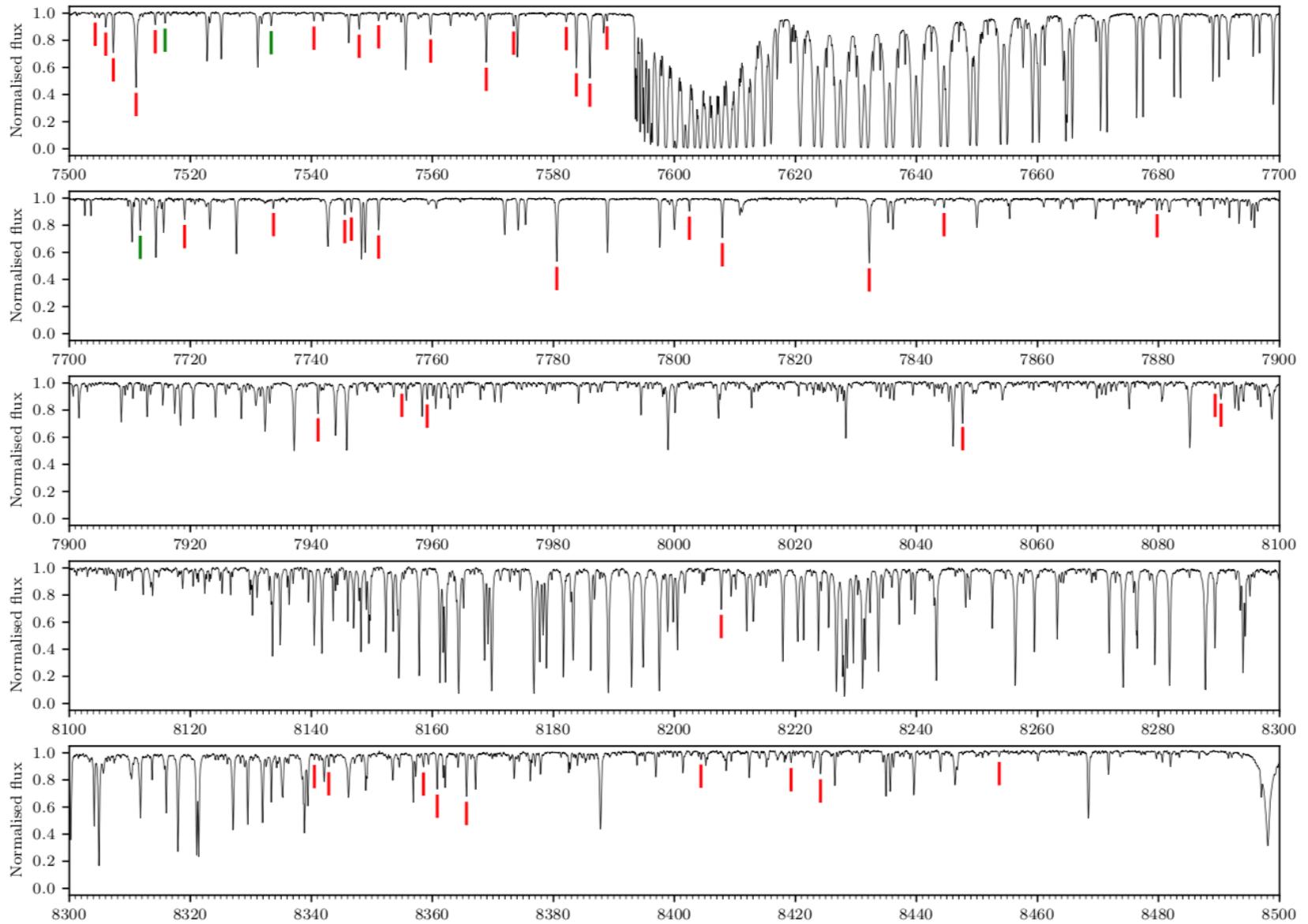


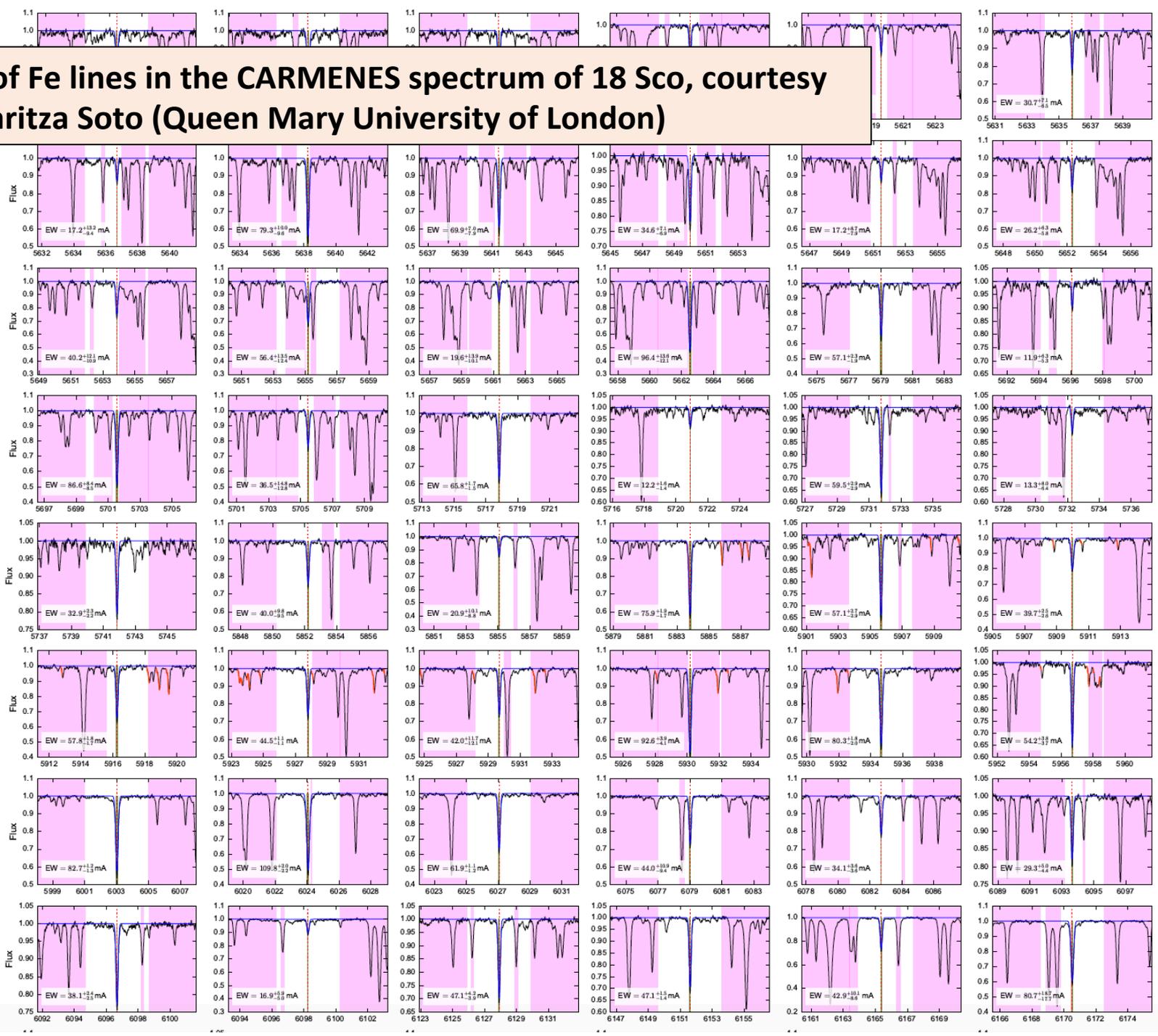
Fig. 4. Distribution of the selected Fe I and Fe II spectral lines in the CARMENES spectra of the reference stars. From top to bottom: 18 Sco, μ Cas, ϵ Vir, and Arcturus.

CARMENES spectrum of 18 Sco

VIS channel @ 7500-8500 Å



EWs of Fe lines in the CARMENES spectrum of 18 Sco, courtesy of Maritza Soto (Queen Mary University of London)



Stellar parameters of GTO M dwarfs



Aim: To spectroscopically derive the atmospheric stellar parameters of CARMENES GTO M dwarfs: T_{eff} , $\log g$, $[M/H]$

Method: Line-based approach. **Three steps:**

STEPARSYN

Tabernero
et al. 2018

1. Careful **selection of relevant Fe and Ti lines** found in CARMENES spectra
2. **Grid of synthetic spectra** on narrow spectral regions around the selected lines
3. **MCMC algorithm** for the **probability distribution functions** of the target parameters based on the comparison between the real spectra and the grid.

Division of the parameter space*: T_{eff}

“**Hot**” M dwarfs: GX And (M1.0 V)

“**Lukewarm**” M dwarfs: Luyten’s star (M3.5 V)

“**Cold**” M dwarfs: Teegarden’s star (M7.0 V)

* Reference stars: Reiners et al. (2018) spectral atlas.

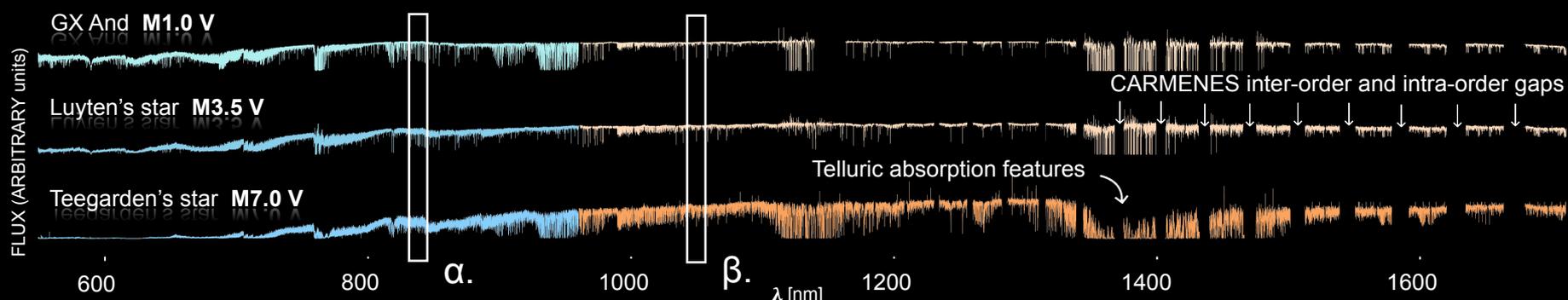
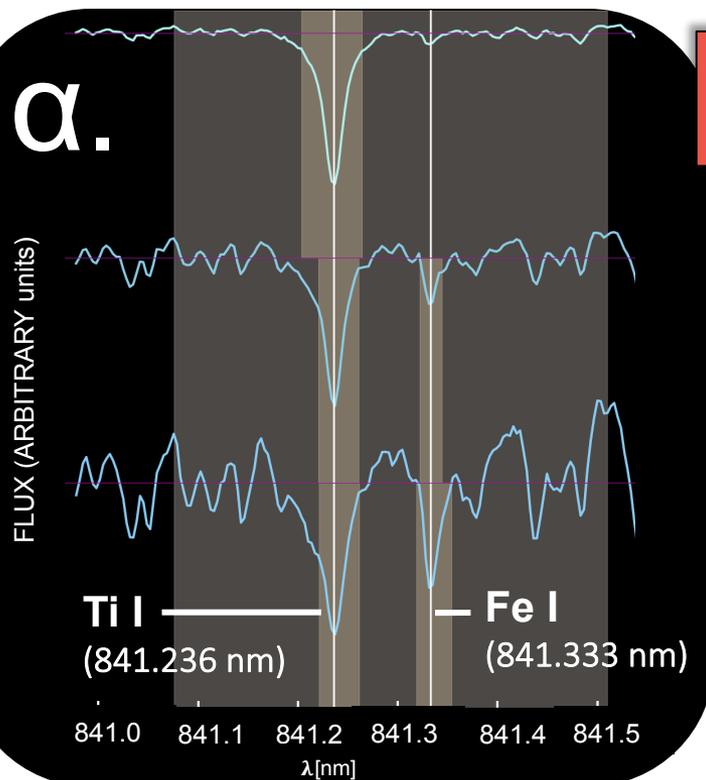
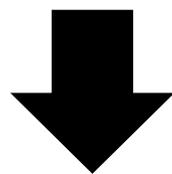


Figure 1. From top to bottom, individual CARMENES spectra of our three reference stars GX And (M1.0 V), Luyten's star (M3.5 V) and Teegarden's star (M7.0 V), respectively.

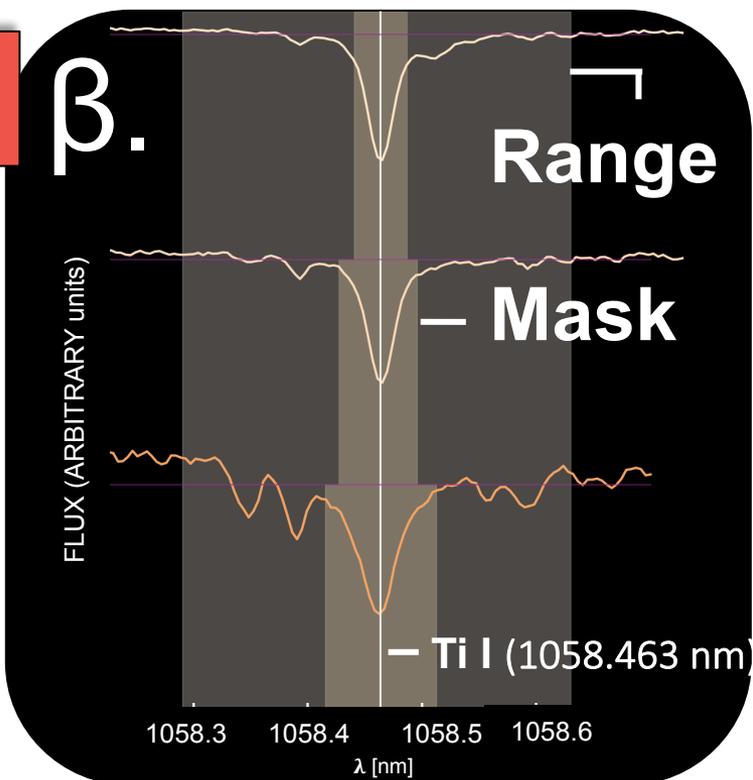


Step one:
line selection



~70 lines
of
Fe I and Ti
I

picked
over



Step two: spectral synthesis. Key aspects

Radiative transfer code: **TurboSpectrum** (Alvarez & Plez 1998, Plez 2012)

We have tried out different model atmospheres:

- MARCS (Gustafsson et al. 2008)
- BT-Settl (Allard et al. 2012, RSPTA 370. 2765A)
- PHOENIX (Husser et al. 2013)

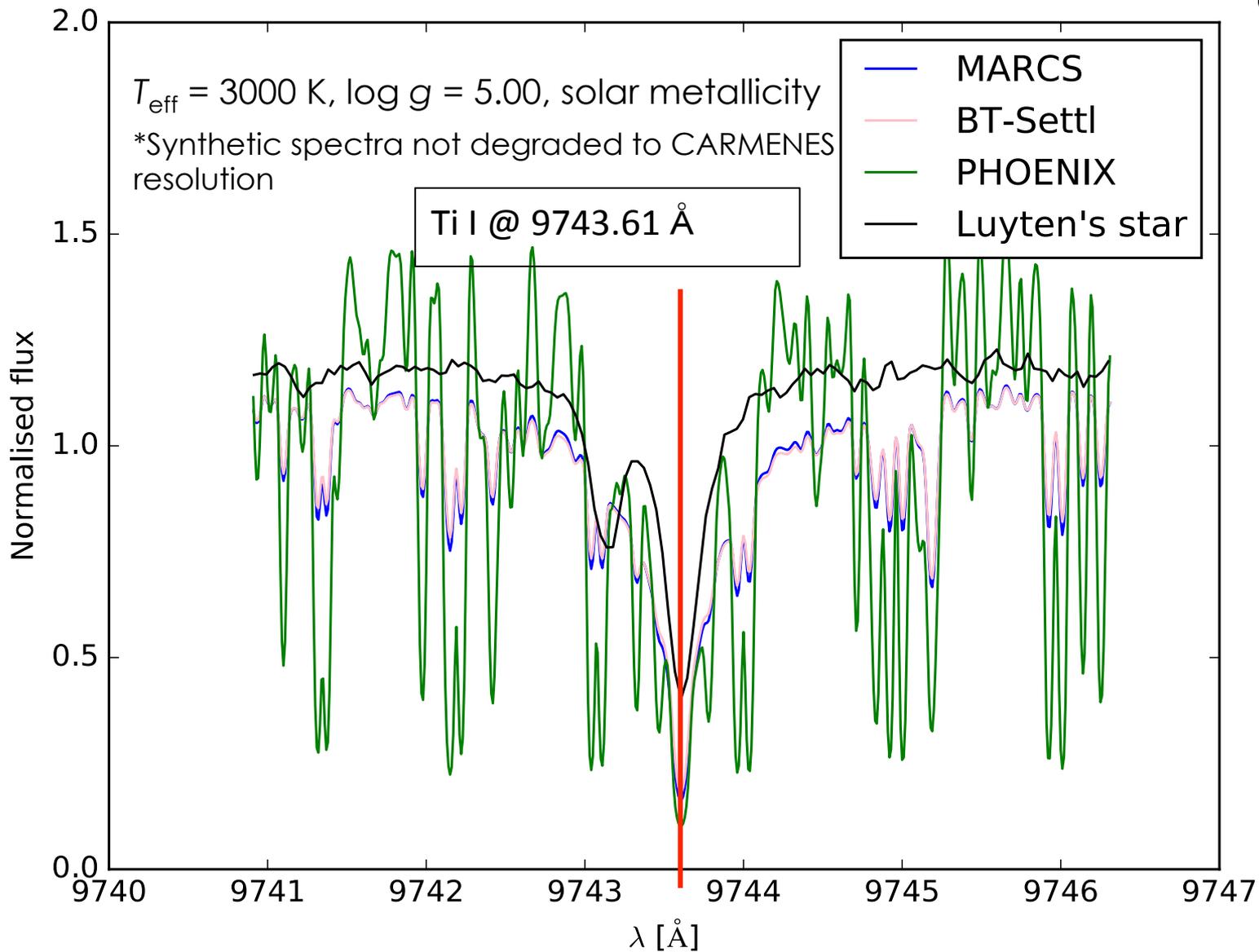
Atomic line data: VALD3 (*extract all* option).

Molecular line data: Mostly from line lists compiled by B. Plez (available at

<http://www.pages-perso-bertrand-plez.univ-montp2.fr>)

and ExoMol

TiO SiH MgH CaH CrH FeH C₂ ZrO H₂O OH CN CO VO &
isotopes



Stellar parameters of GTO M dwarfs



Spectral synthesis: grids

Our grids cover the following parameter space:

Model	Effective temperature	Surface gravity	Metallicity
PHOENIX	$2600 \text{ K} < T_{\text{eff}} < 4500 \text{ K}$	$4.00 < \log g < 6.00$	$-1.00 < [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < 1.00$
BT-Settl	$2600 \text{ K} < T_{\text{eff}} < 4500 \text{ K}$	$4.00 < \log g < 5.50 \text{ or } 6.00^*$	$-1.00 < [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < 1.00$
MARCS	$2500 \text{ K} < T_{\text{eff}} < 3900 \text{ K}$	$4.00 < \log g < 6.00^*$	$-1.00 < [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < 1.00$

* Upper limit of $\log g$ depends on actual effective temperature of the models.

Any given grid of synthetic spectra is stored in a binary file.

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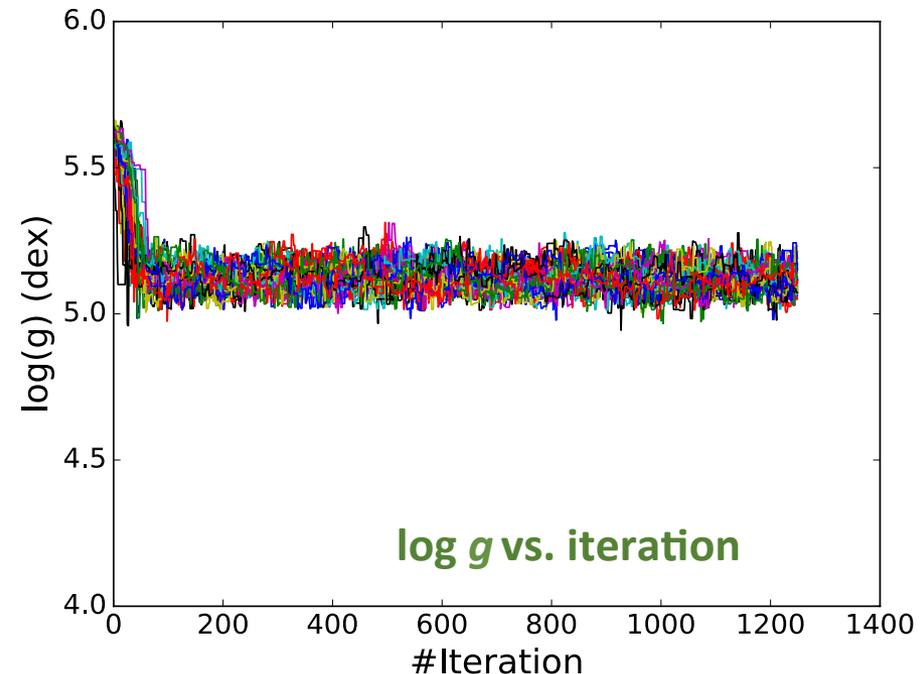
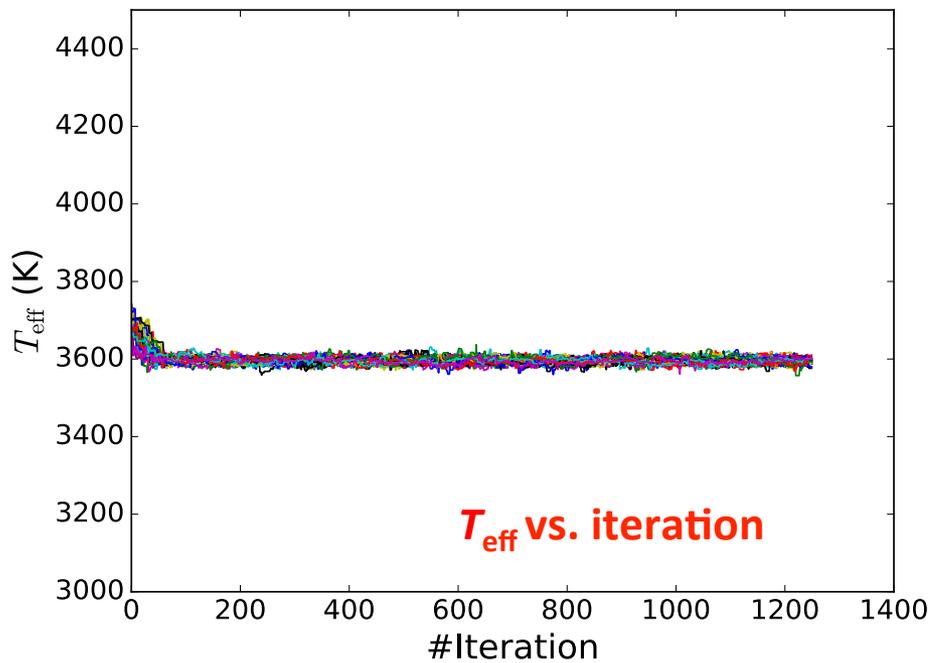


Step 3: MCMC algorithm. STEPARSYN code (Taberner et al. 2018)

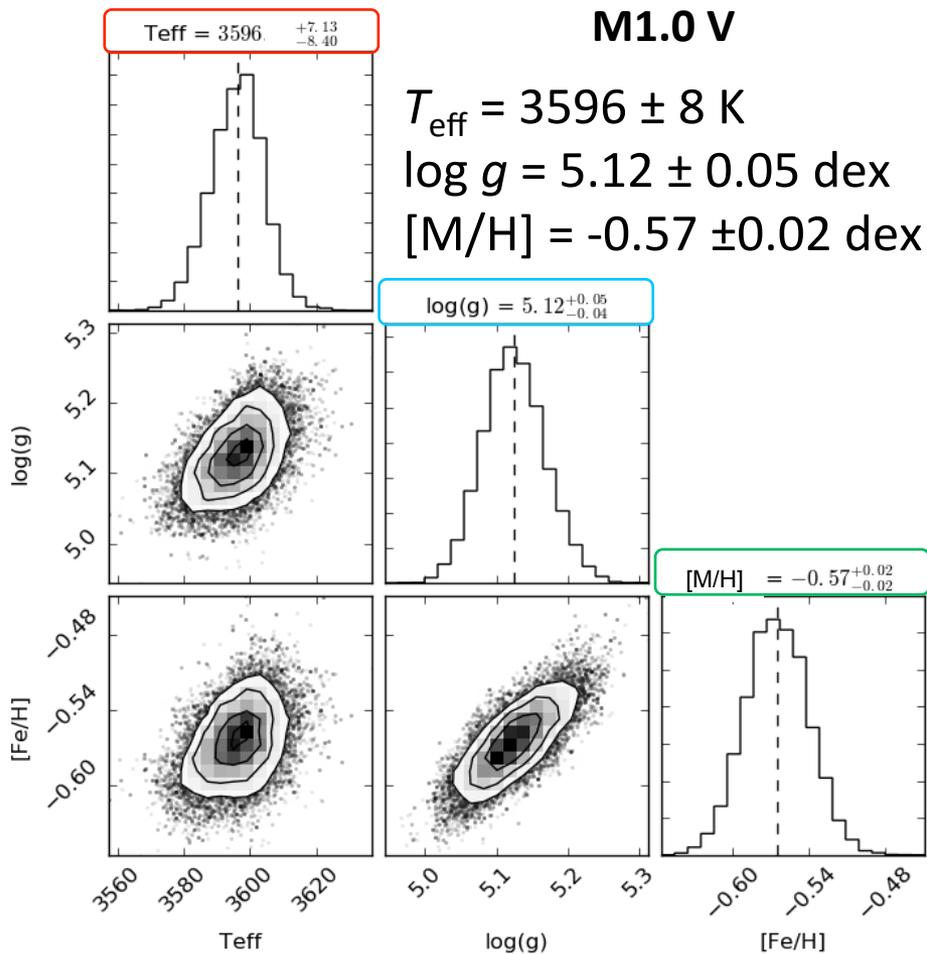
Quick summary:

- ☑ PCA emulator on the grid
- ☑ Interpolation using Python qhull implementation
- ☑ Python packages: scipy.interpolate, emcee (MCMC)
- ☑ 1250 chains, 40 walkers, burn in 250

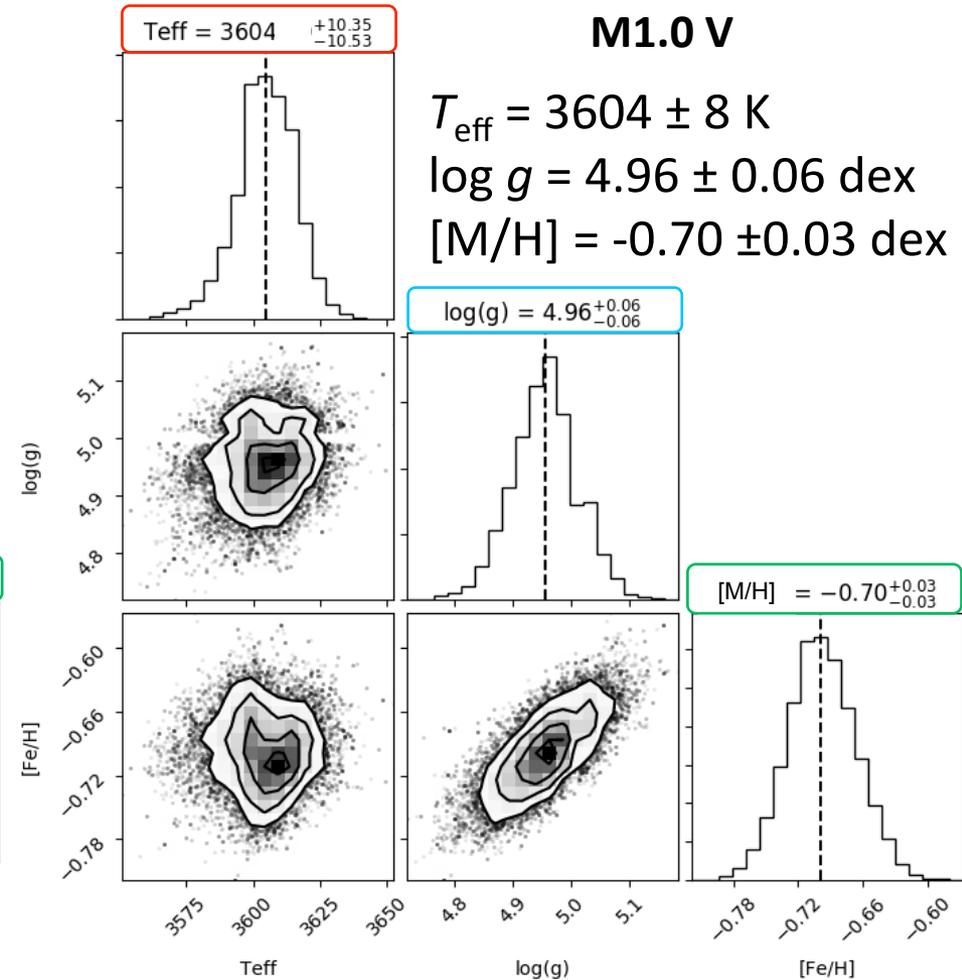
MCMC chains for GX And



Results: Corner plots and atmospheric stellar parameters.

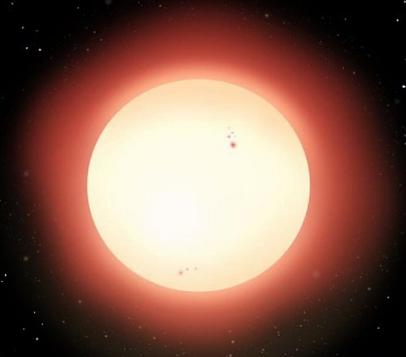
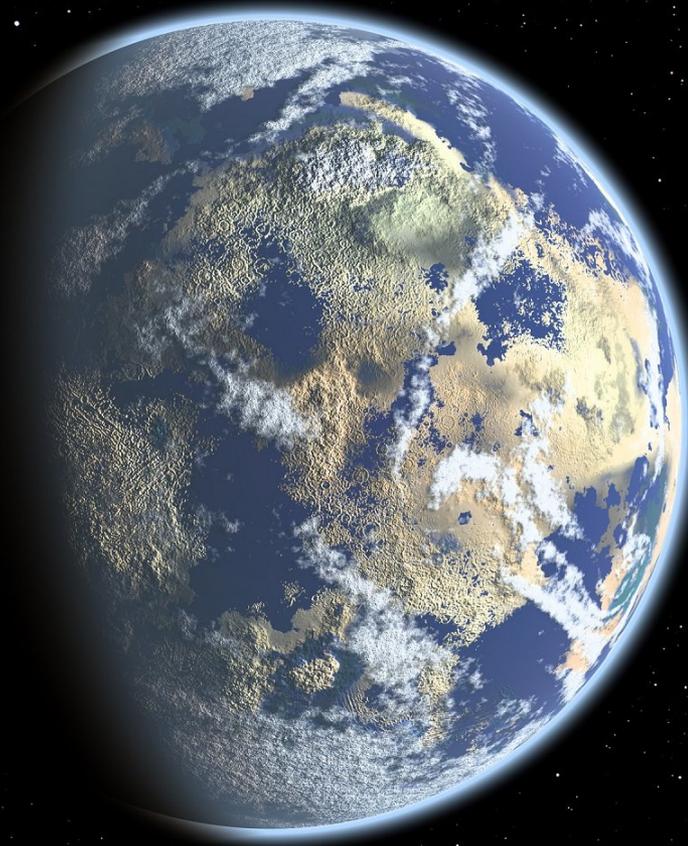


GX And (J00183+440)



BD+442051A (J11054+435)

Thank you for your attention



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