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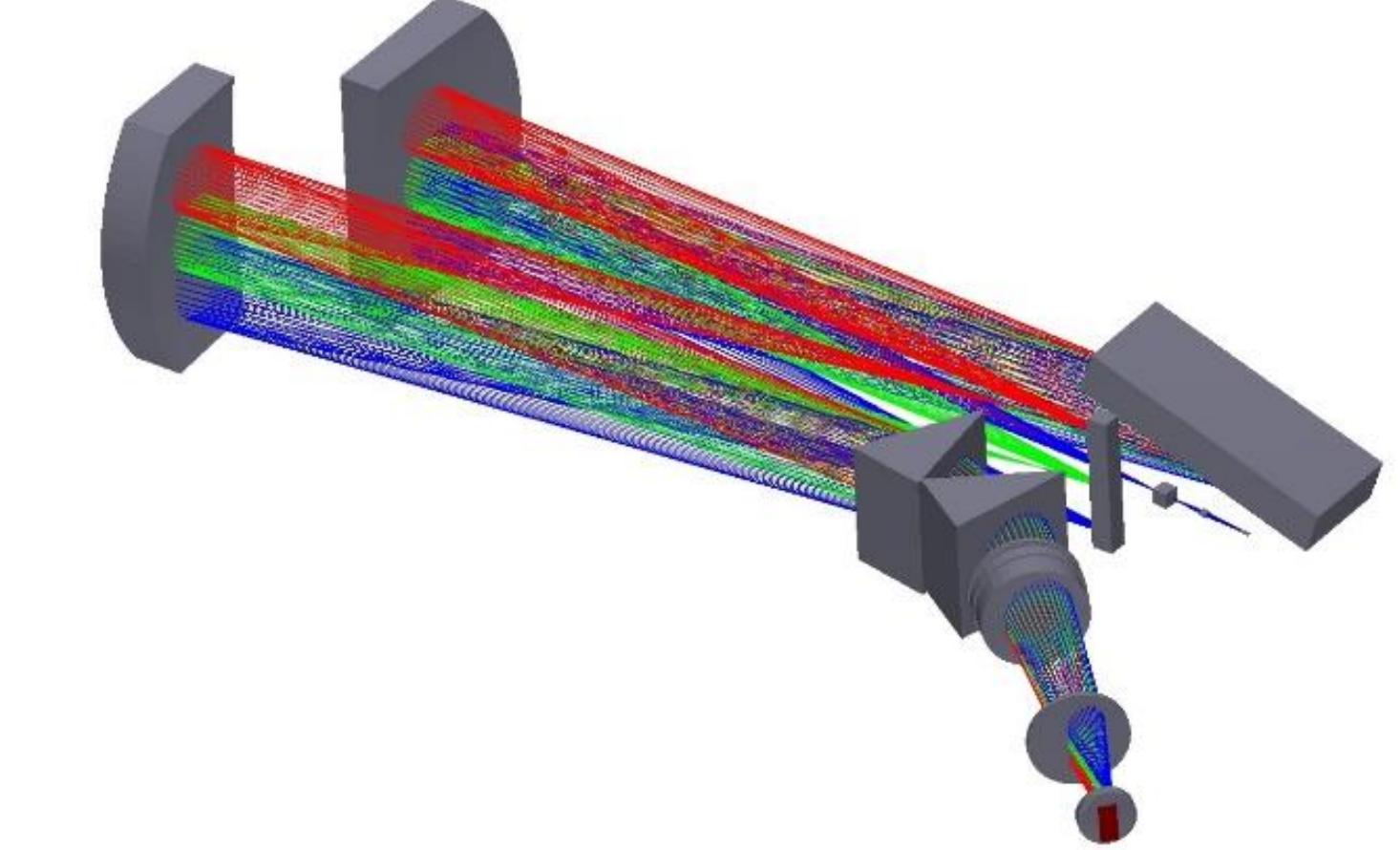
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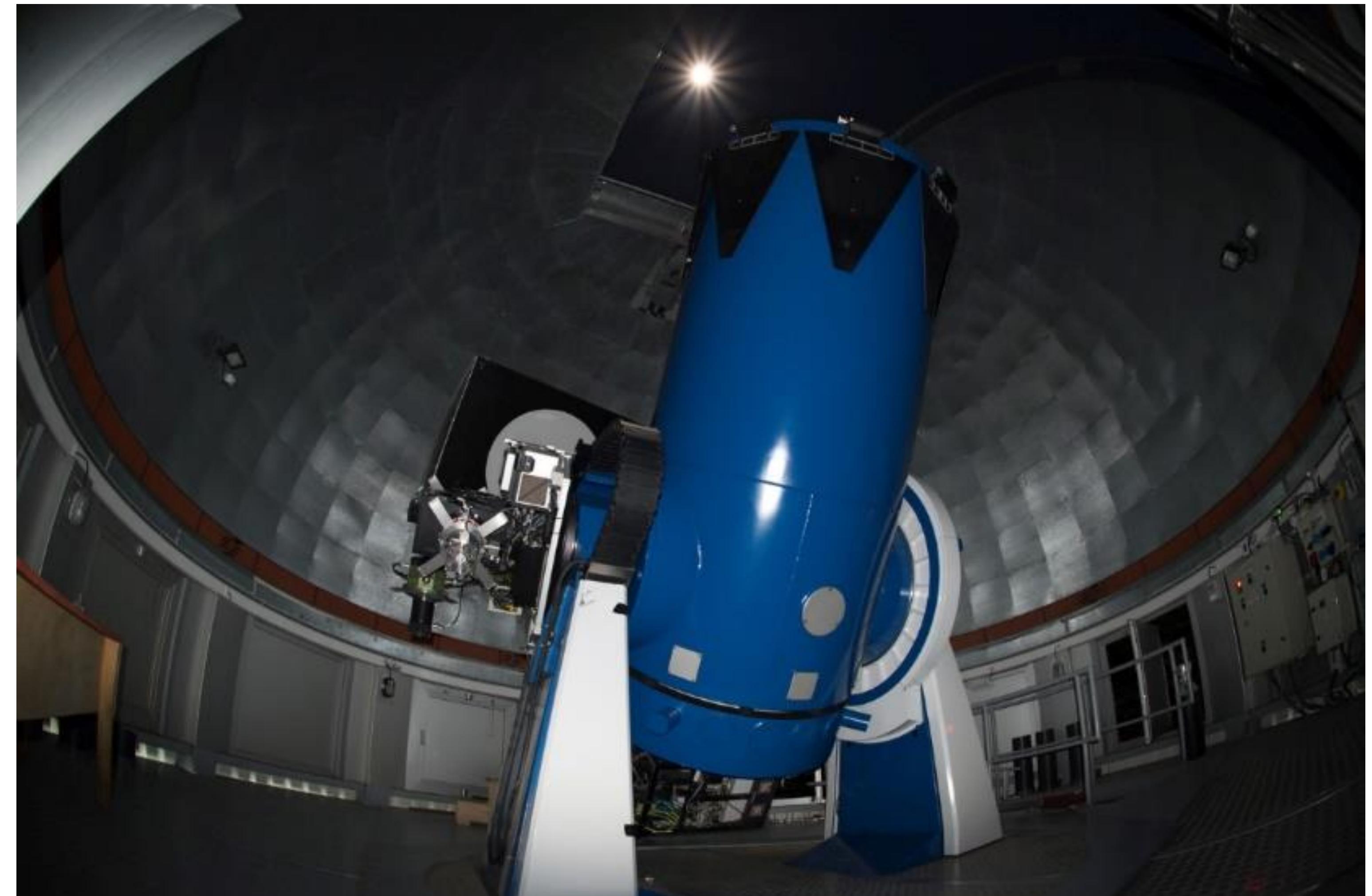
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## Observational campaigns



**Fig. 1.** The Mercator telescope is operated by the IvS, KULeuven at the Spanish observatory Roque de los Muchachos (La Palma, Canary Islands).



**Fig. 2.** The High-Efficiency, high-Resolution Mercator Echelle Spectrograph (HERMES) is available at the Coudé focus of the 1.2-m Mercator telescope for about half of the time.



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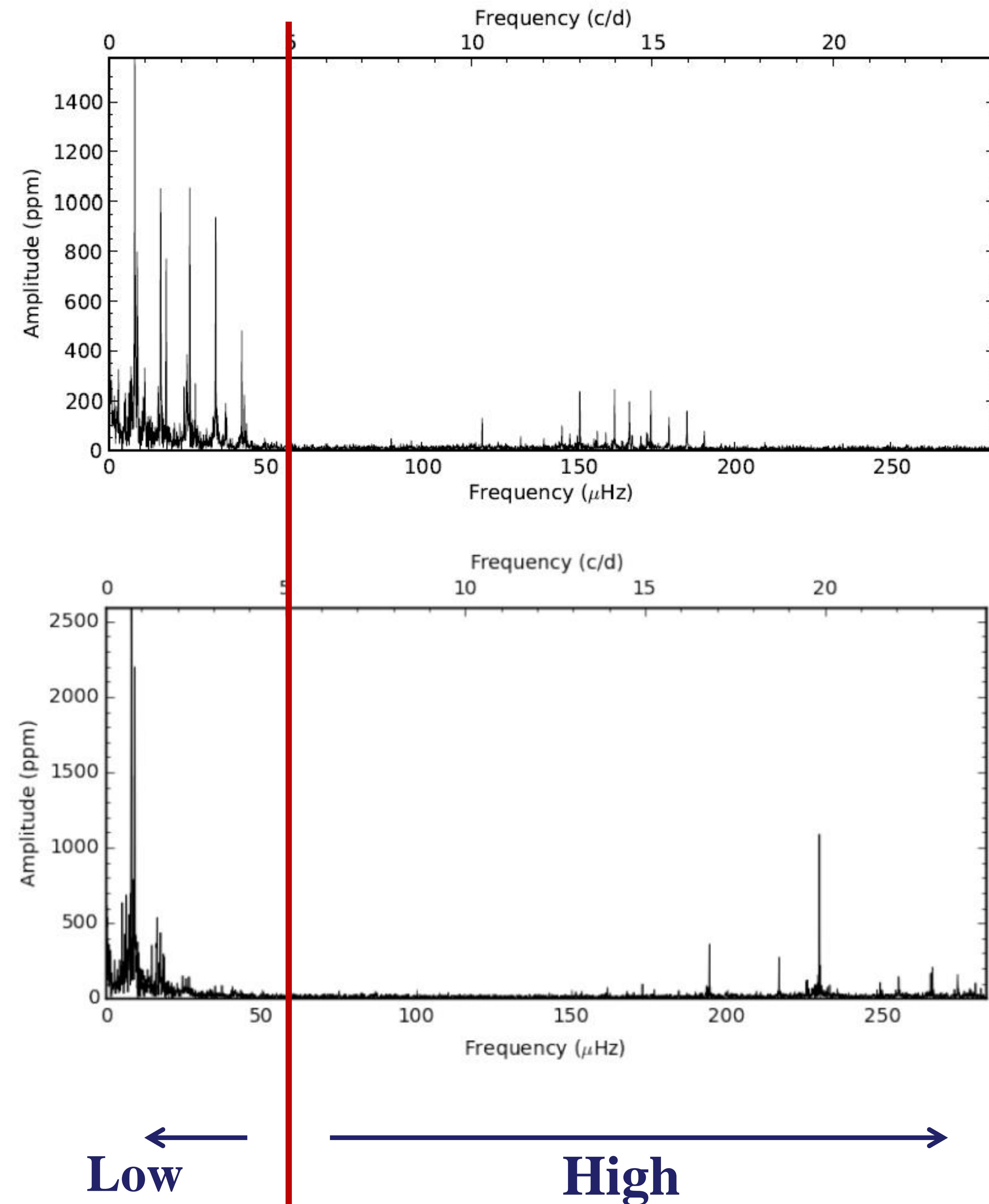
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## 50 A/F-type *Kepler* Cand. Hybrid Stars

- **Two regimes** of frequencies
- **Possible causes (low freq):**
  - a. Pulsations (modes ‘p’ + ‘g’)  $\Rightarrow$  true  $\gamma$  Dor -  $\delta$  Sct hybrid stars
  - b. Inhomogeneous surfaces modulated by (strong) rotation<sup>1</sup>
  - c. Ellipsoïdal or eclipsing binaries<sup>1</sup> (tidal effects, reflections, ...)
  - d. Tidally excited ‘g’ modes in close binary systems with an excentric orbit<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> + short-period pulsations (type  $\delta$  Sct)





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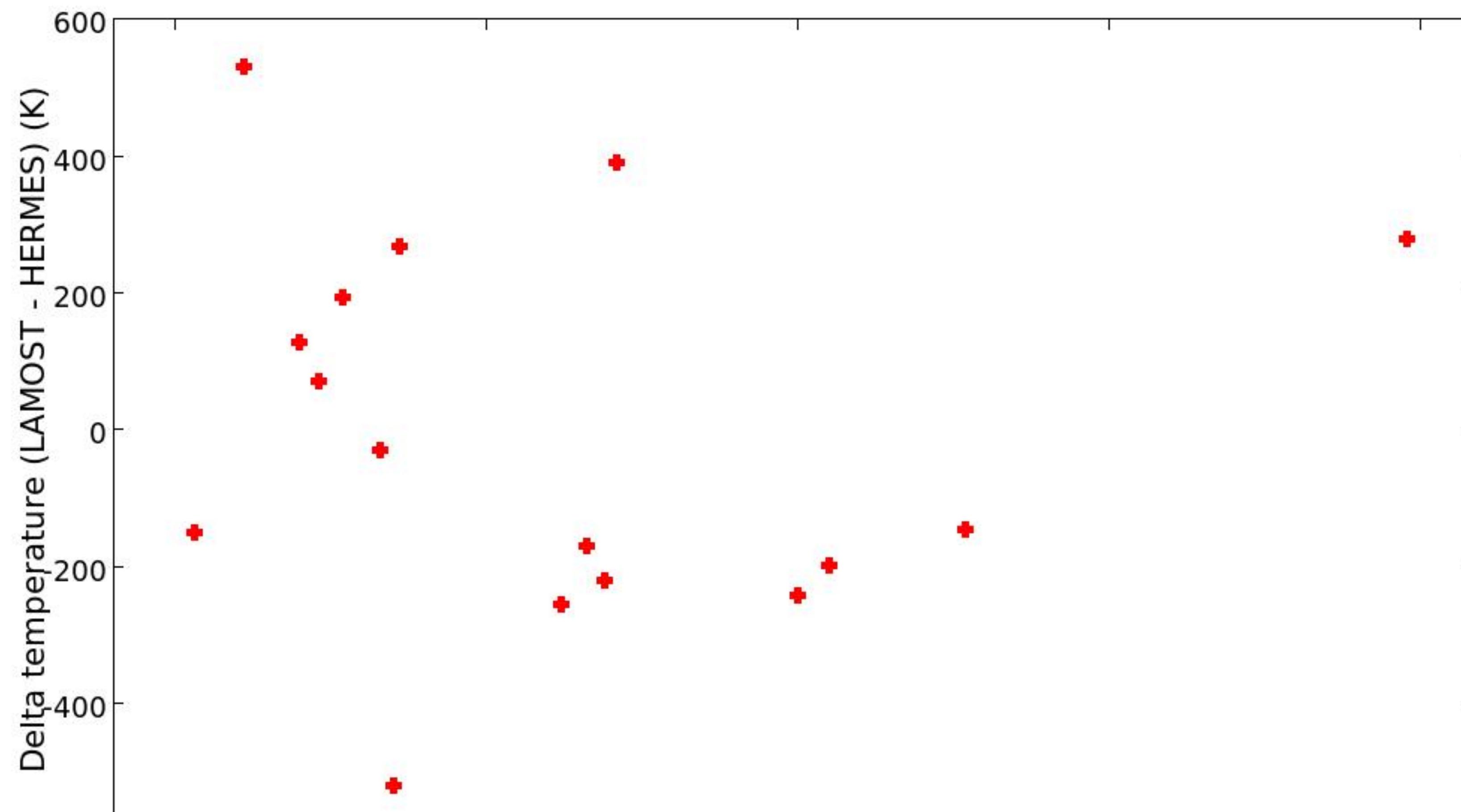
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## Stellar Characterization: New Atmospheric Properties

In an effort to understand the low frequencies showing in the light curves of the brighter A/F-type candidate hybrid stars of the *Kepler* mission, we started a systematic study. With min. 4-5 spectra per object, we determined their radial velocities, **atmospheric stellar properties &  $v \sin i$** , including a classification scheme on the basis of their cross-correlation functions and radial velocity curves as a function of time.



⇒ Usefulness of other spectroscopic determinations to demonstrate robustness (any systematics?) & quality of error determination, for example also LAMOST!



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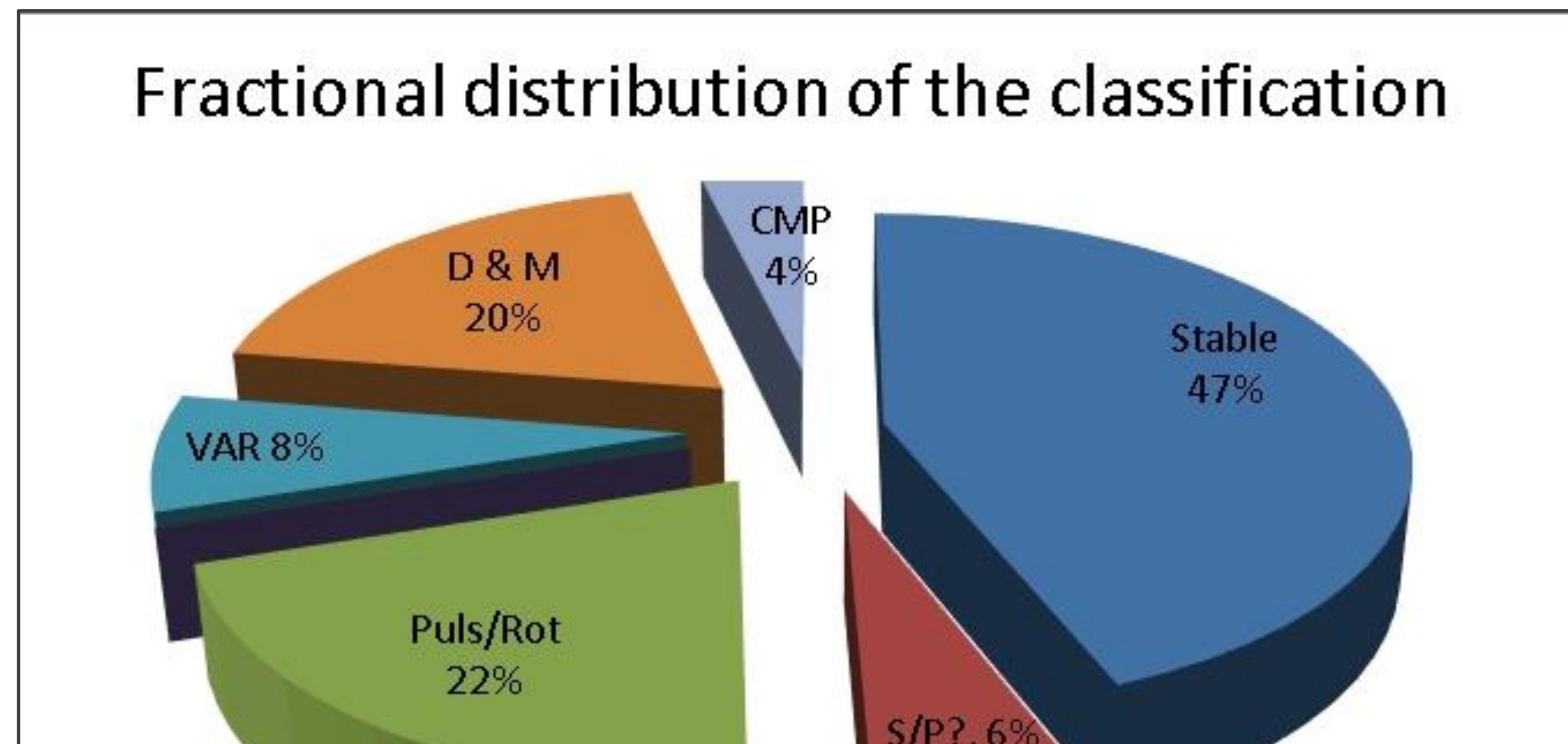
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## The Multiplicity Fraction

Our sample consists of 49 A/F-type *bona fide* candid. hybrid stars and one cool object. We identified **9 spectroscopic systems** (SB) and **3 objects with long-RV term variations** (VAR)  $\Leftrightarrow$  **spectr. multiplicity fraction of at least 24%**. Two other targets have a **possible companion or shell** (CMP). If we include the known eclipsing binary and add the new detections from the photometric time delays, we find a global multiplicity fraction of 33%.



$\Rightarrow$  **Probable multiplicity rate of ~30%. Presence of orbital frequencies & harmonics may explain (some) low frequencies.**



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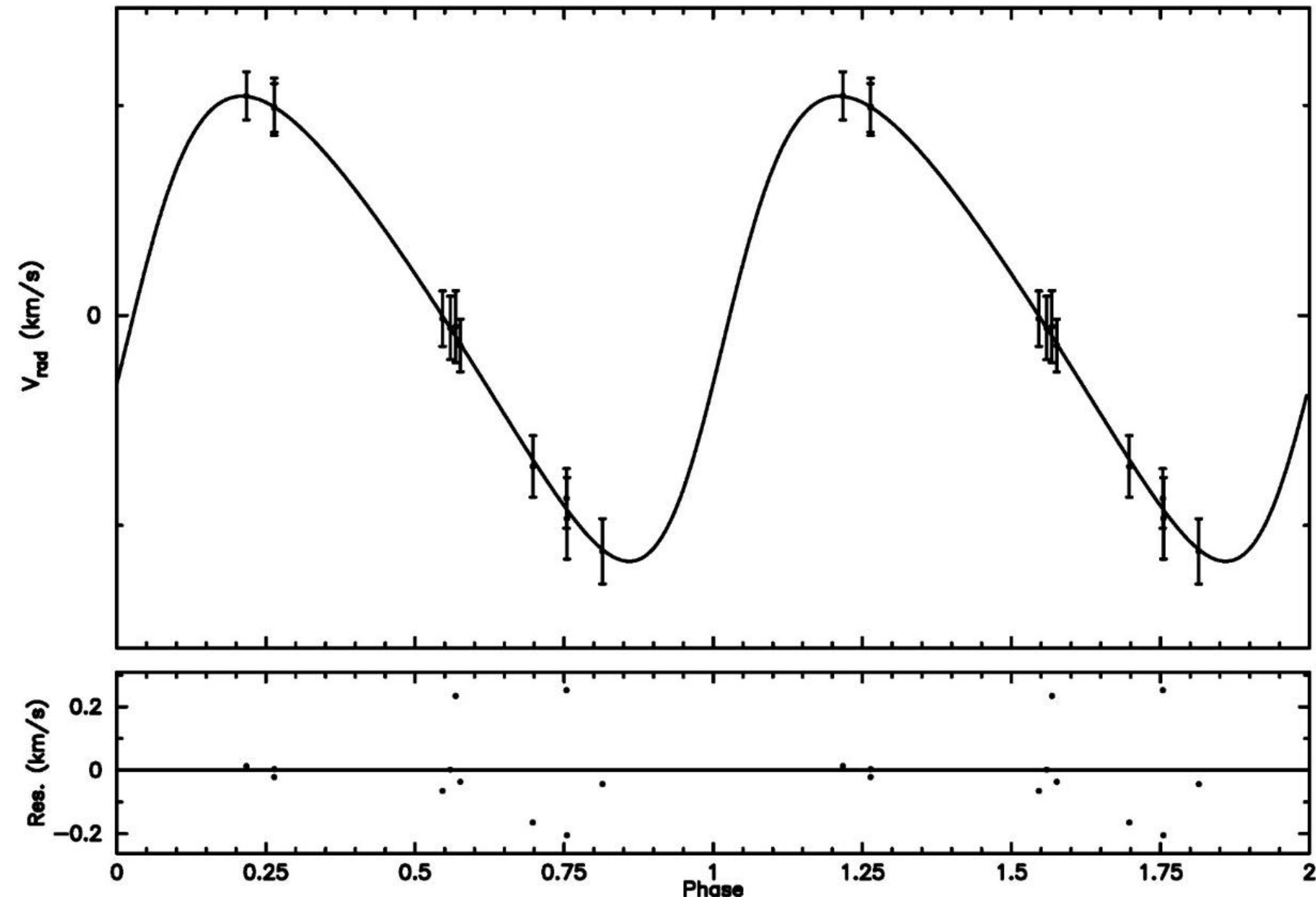
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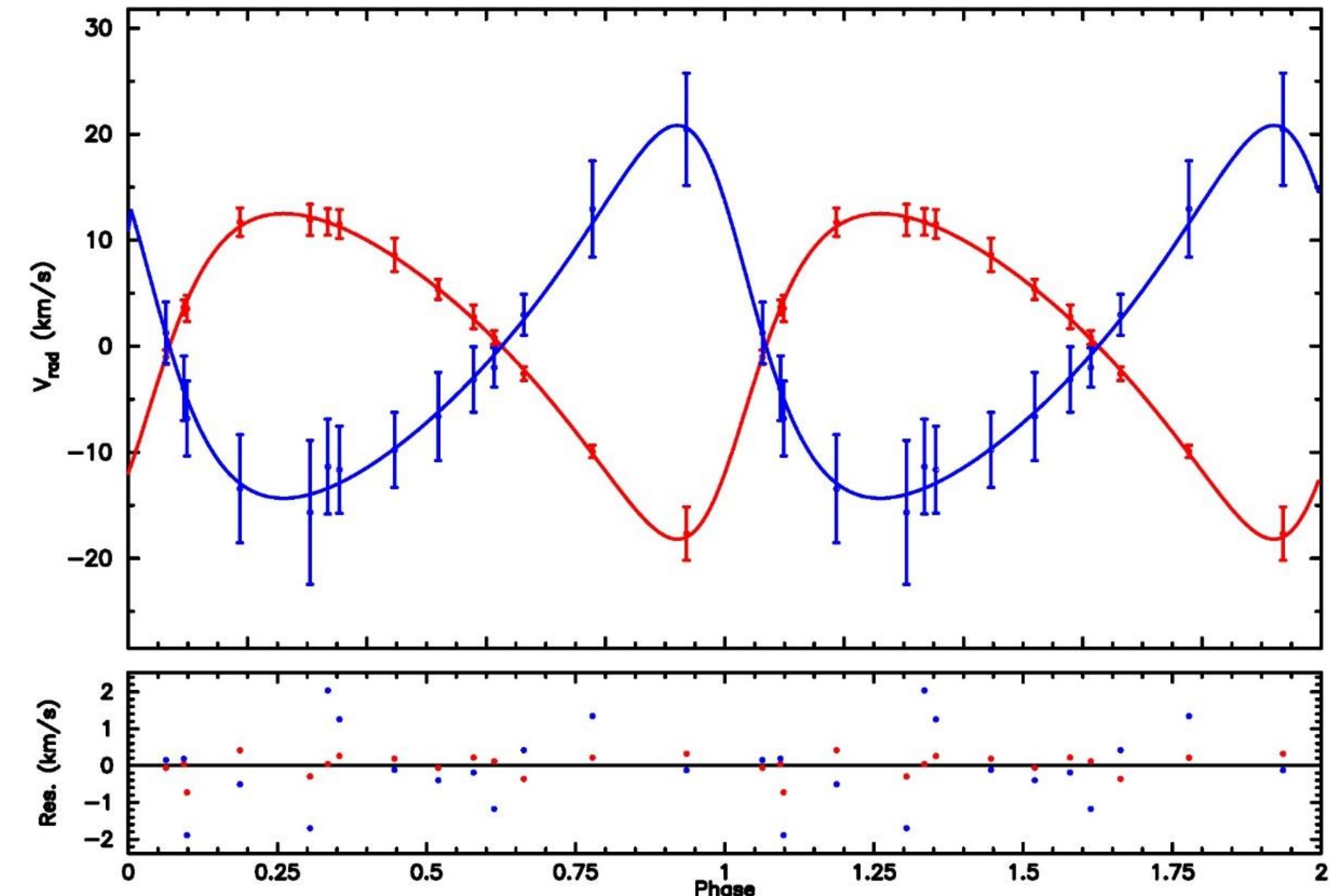
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## Orbital Solutions



**Fig. 3.** The radial velocity curve and (prelim.) orbital solution for a SB1 system



**Fig. 4.** The component radial velocities and orbital solution for a SB2 system

⇒ Needs multi-epoch radial velocities. Usefulness of complementary data to better constrain the solution, such as LAMOST RV!



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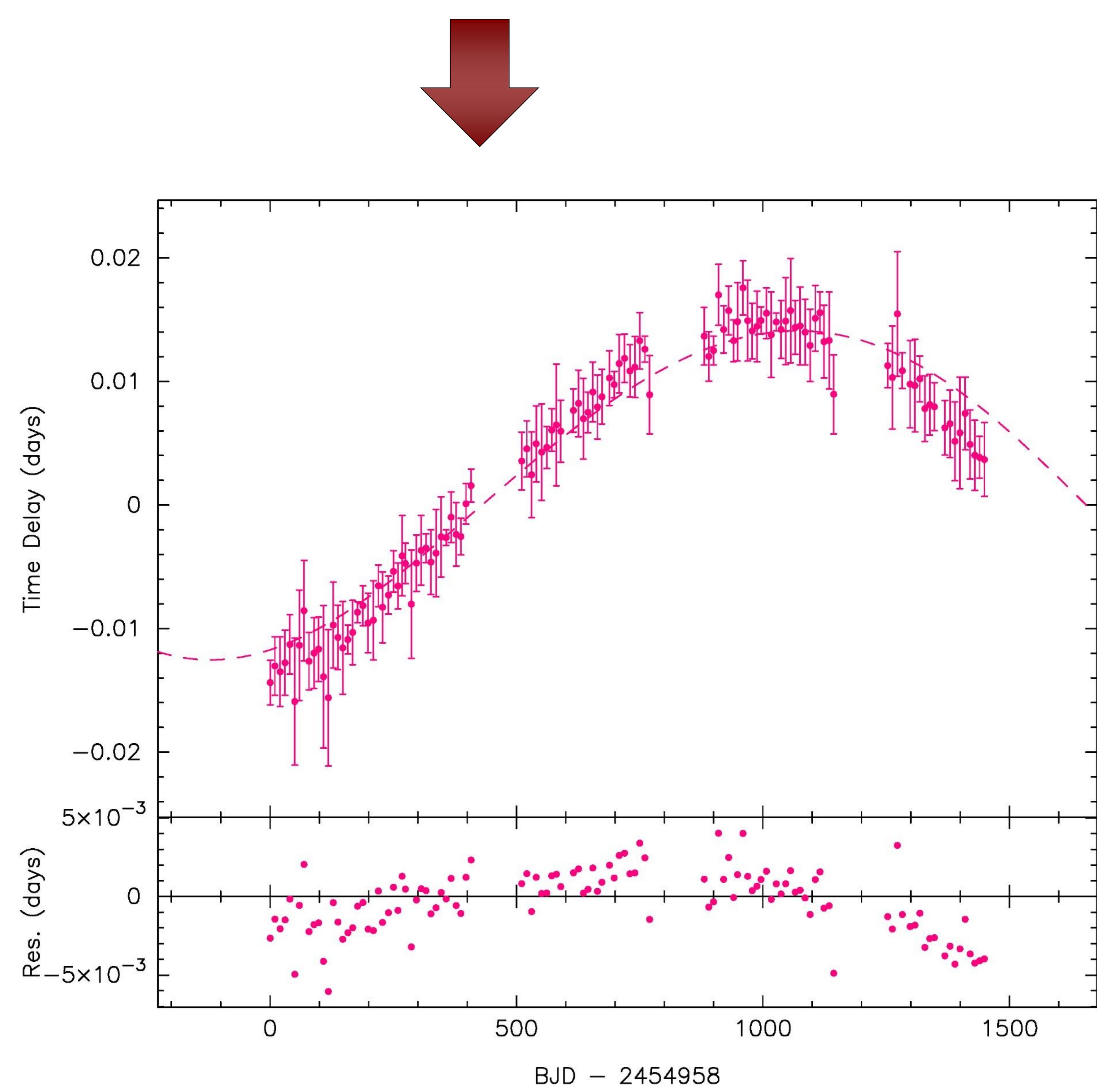
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## Improved Orbit Characterization

2009 – 2013

4 years of *Kepler* photometry:  
Frequencies & Time Delays (pulsations)



2013 – 2016

4 years of *HERMES* spectroscopy:  
Atmospheric properties ( $T_{\text{eff}}$ ,  $\log g$ ,  $v \sin i$ ),  
Radial Velocities, Variability, Multiplicity...

