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INTERPRETATION OF  
INTERFEROMETRIC  
OBSERVATIONS WITH 3D  
RADIATIVE HYDRODYNAMICS  
SIMULATIONS OF COOL STARS

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# OUT LINE

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- ✘ Modelling
- ✘ Red supergiant stars
- ✘ Giant stars
- ✘ Conclusions

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✘ Modelling

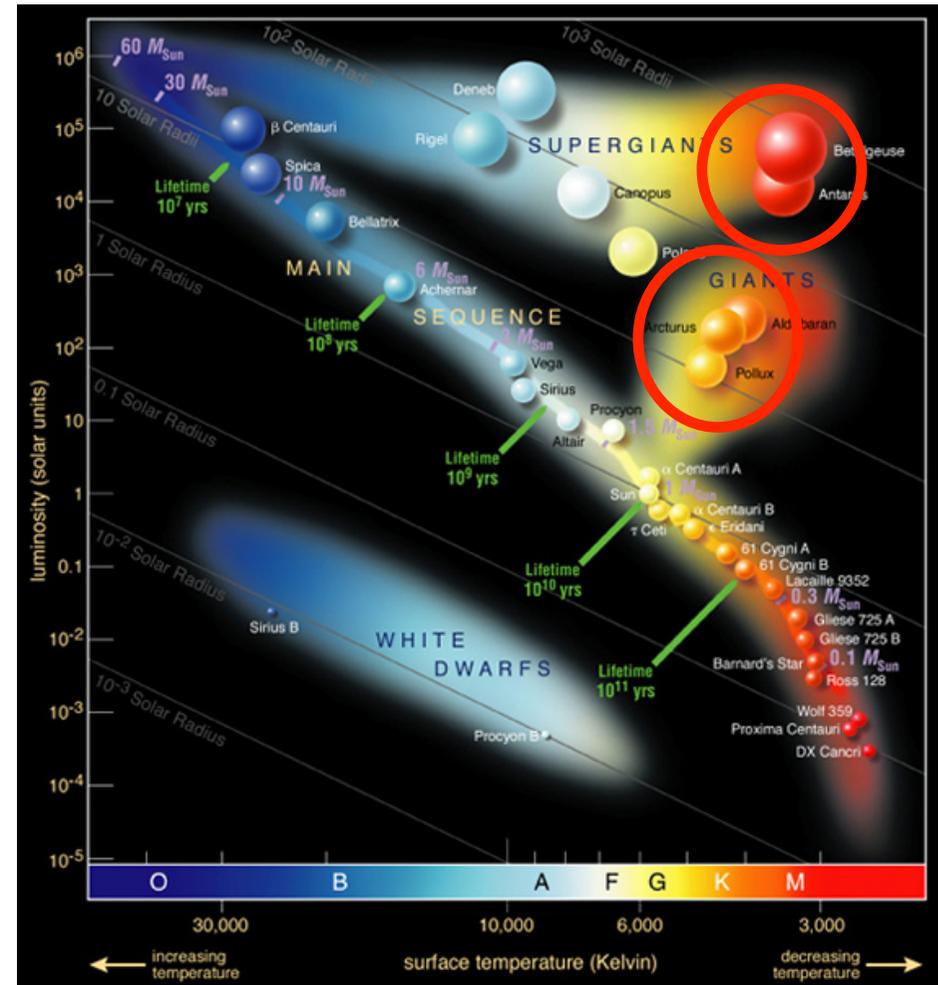
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# WHY STUDY THE ATMOSPHERE OF COOL STARS?

- ✘ The atmosphere is the boundary to the invisible stellar interior: link between models of stars and stellar evolution and observations. Study of **chemical composition** due to dredge-up process and **fundamental stellar parameters**.
- ✘ The atmosphere is the inner boundary to the outer atmospheric region: effects on the interstellar medium, throughout radiation or mass loss. **Contribution to the chemical evolution of the Galaxy**.

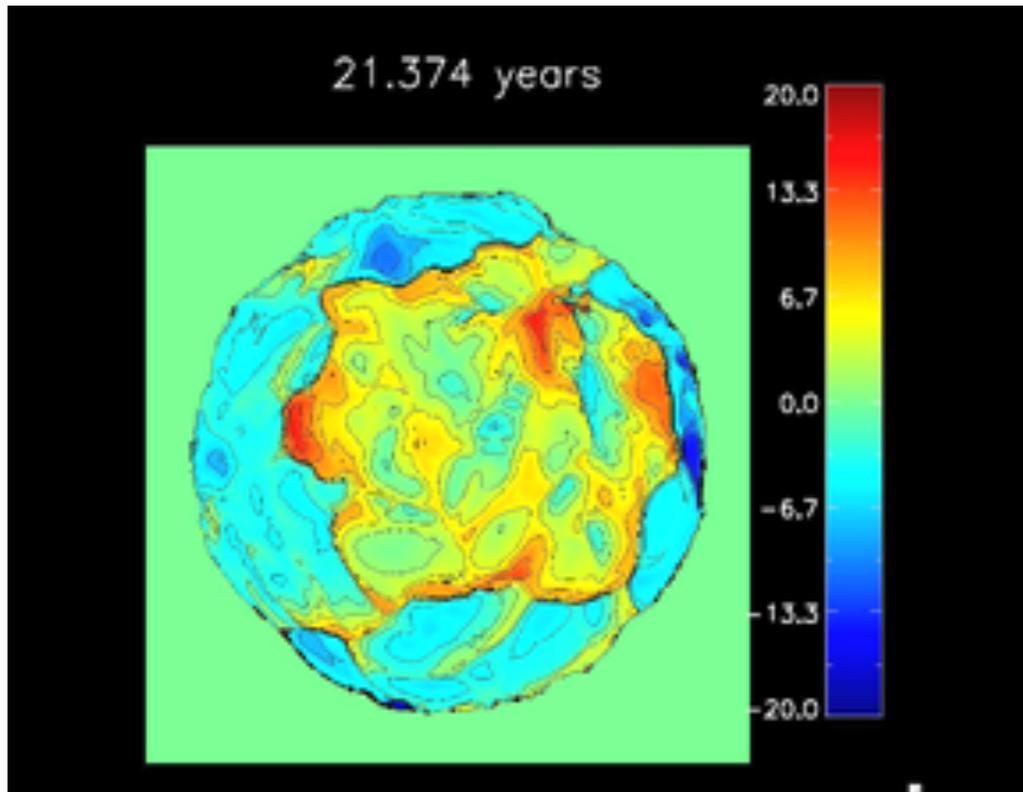


# The modeller's point of view

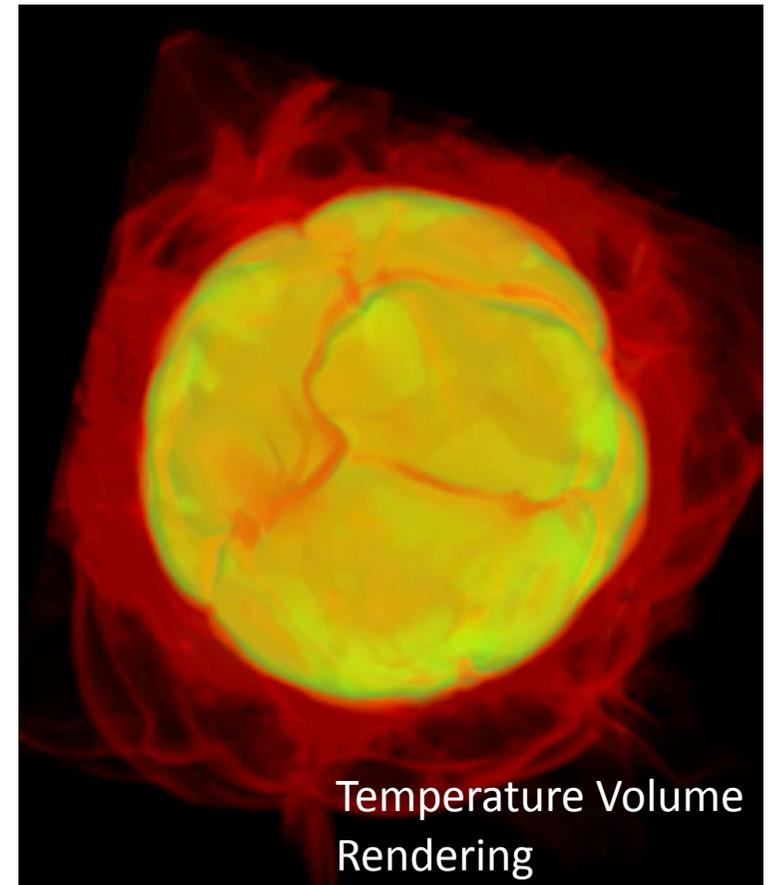
CO<sup>5</sup>BOLD (Freytag et al. 2002)

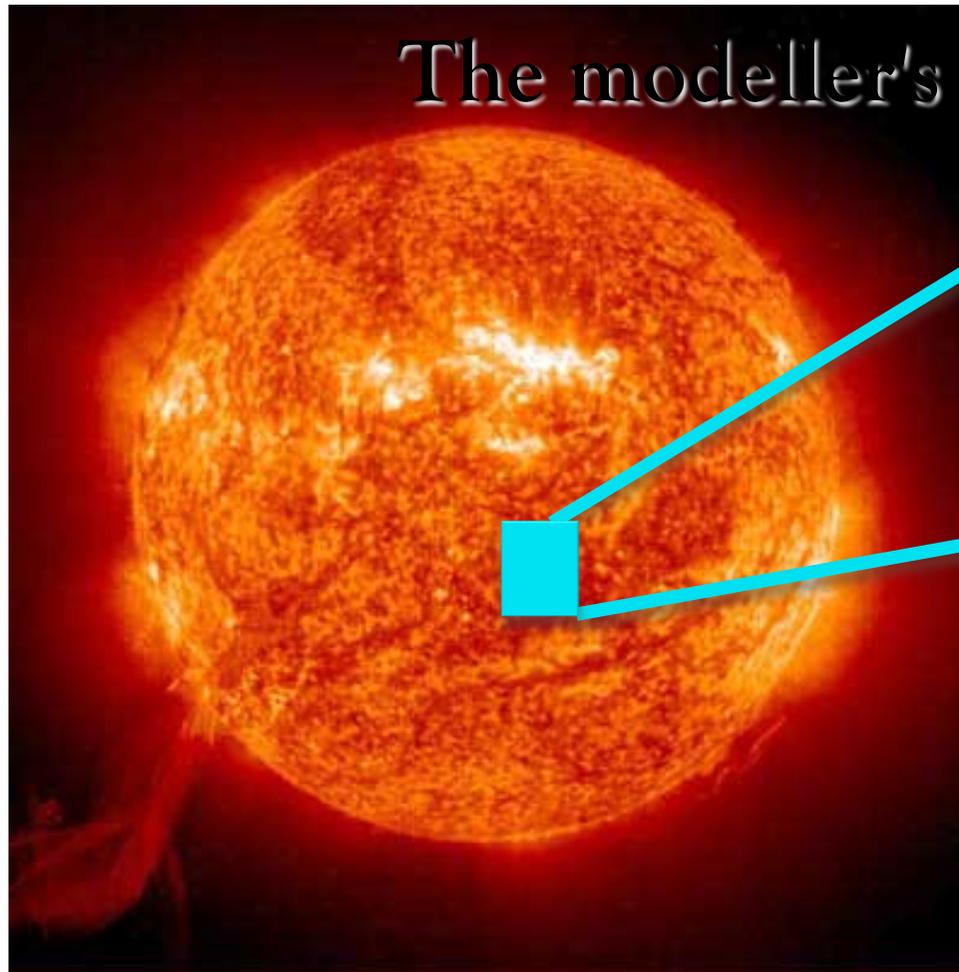
STAR-IN-A-BOX setup:

- Used to model RSG stars



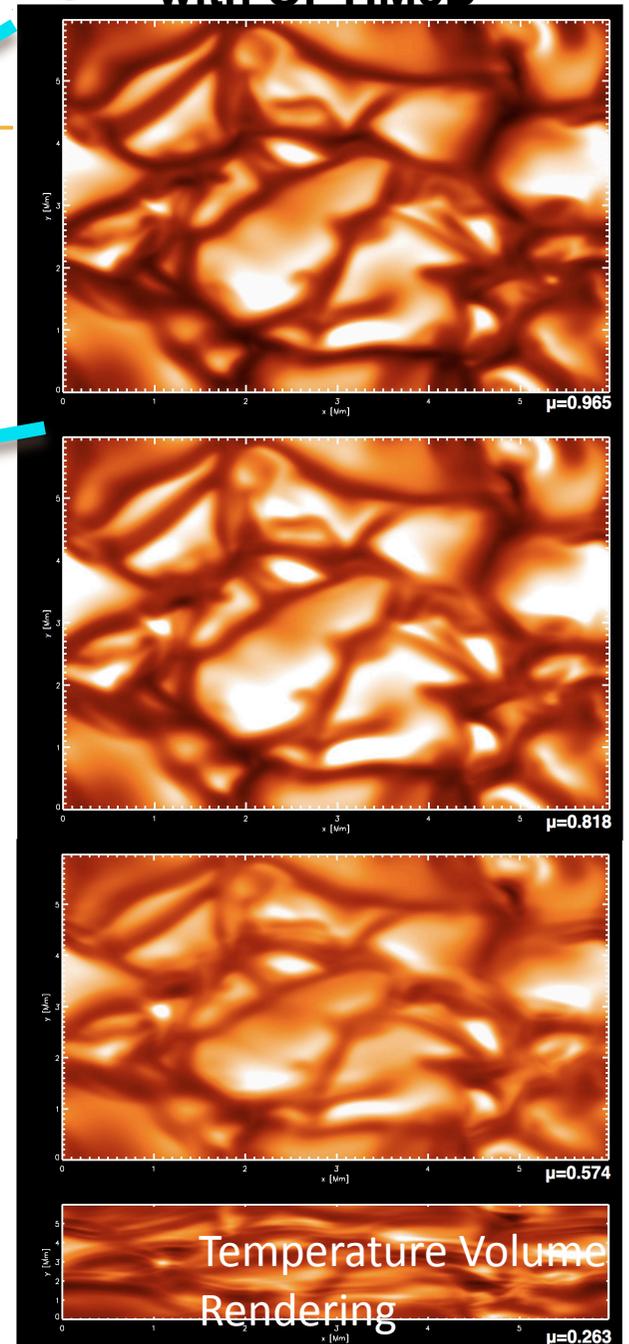
Velocity at 1.6 micron computed with OPTIM3D





The modeller's point of

Sun at 6700Å computed with OPTIM3D



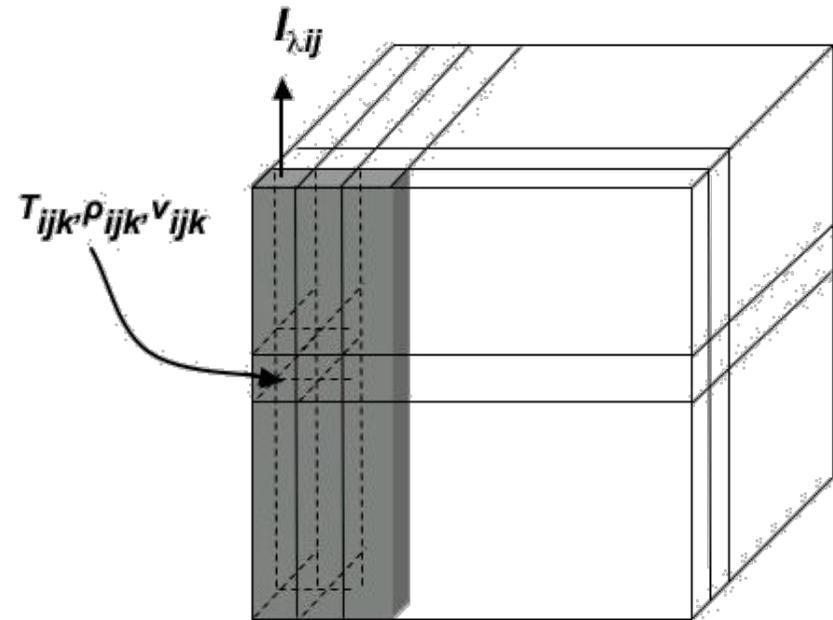
STAGGER CODE (Nordlund et al. 2009)

BOX-IN-A-STAR setup:

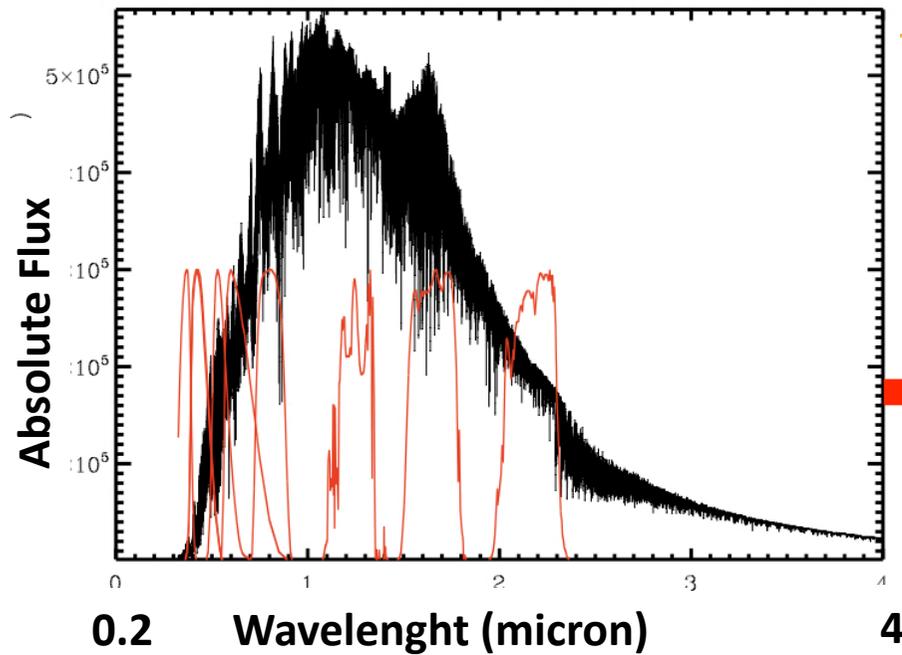
- Used to model Giant, Dwarf stars and the Sun

# 3D RADIATIVE TRANSFER CODE OPTIM3D

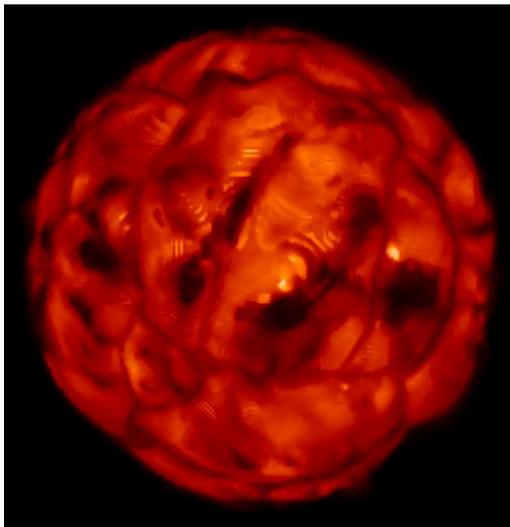
- × Opacity tables generated with MARCS with billion of molecular (see Gustafsson et al., 2008) and atomic (VALD) lines



# OPTIM3D PRODUCES:



Atmospheric  
dynamics and  
stellar  
parameters



To constrain the  
structure size

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× Red supergiant stars

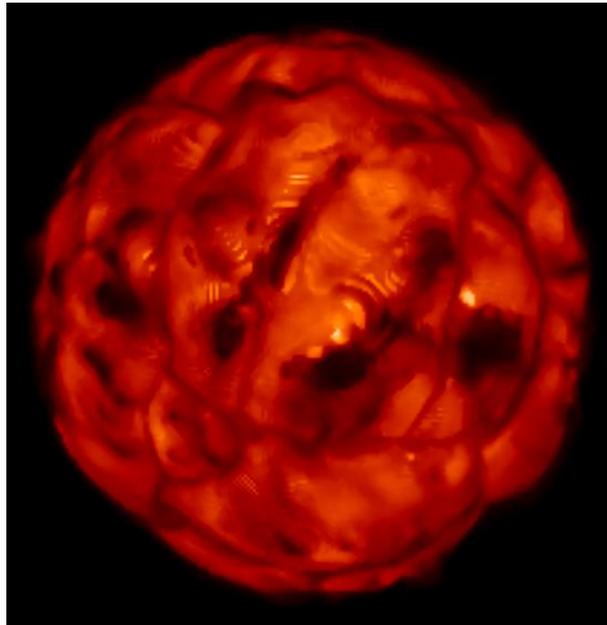
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# INTENSITY PROFILES – EASY AND COMPLEX MODELS

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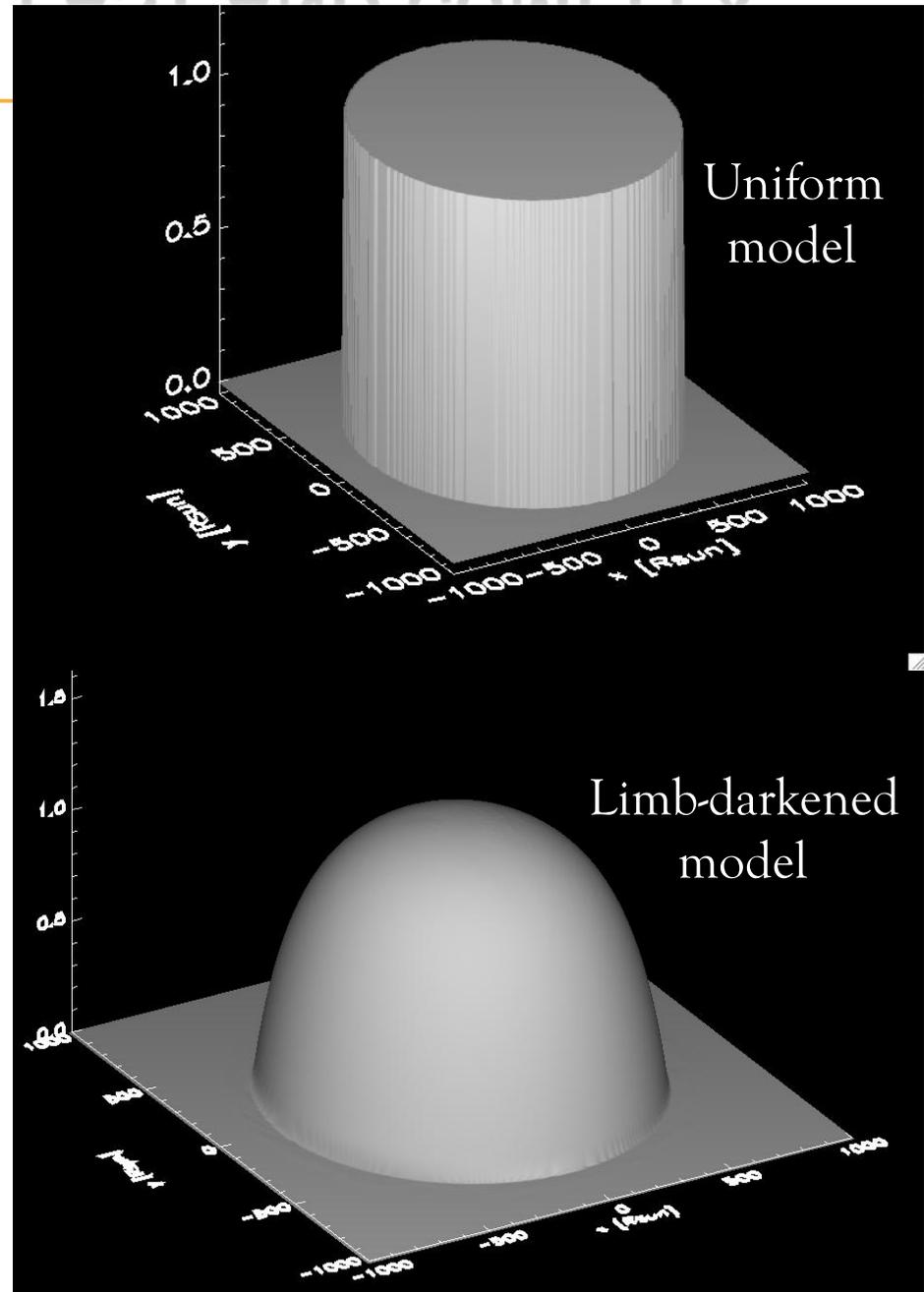
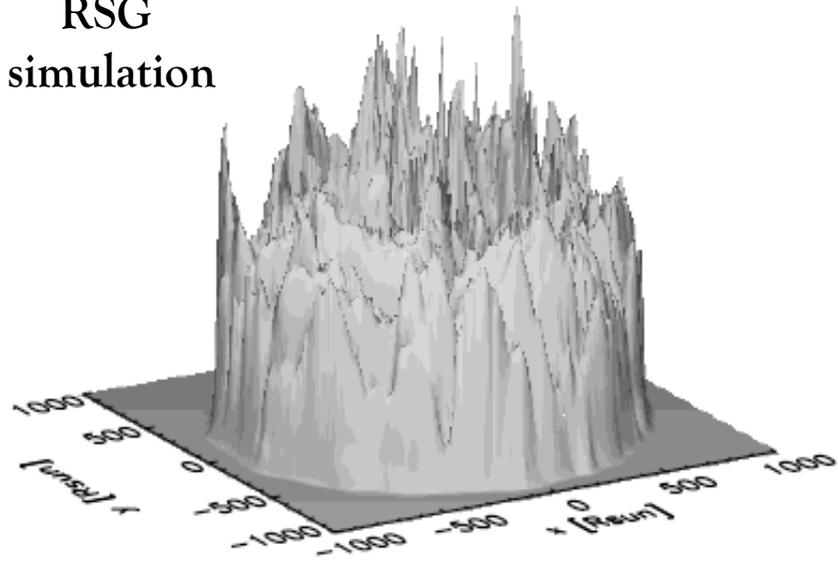
RSG  
simulation



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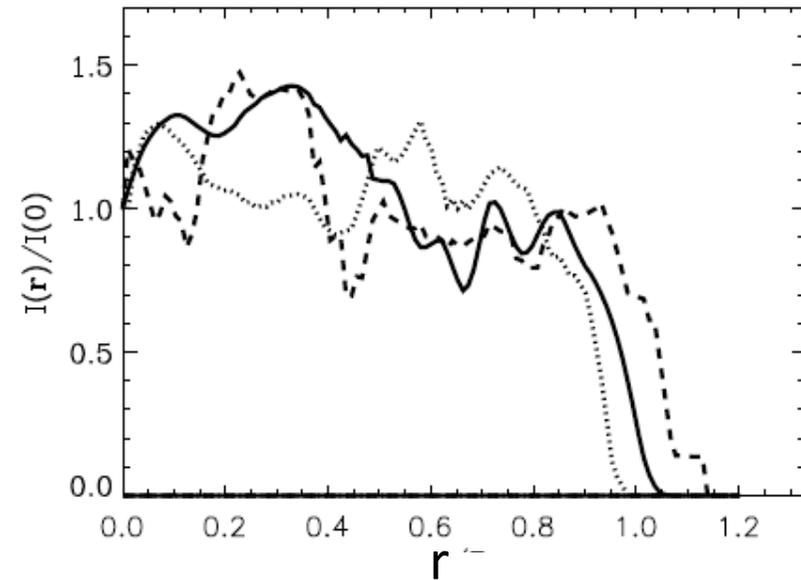
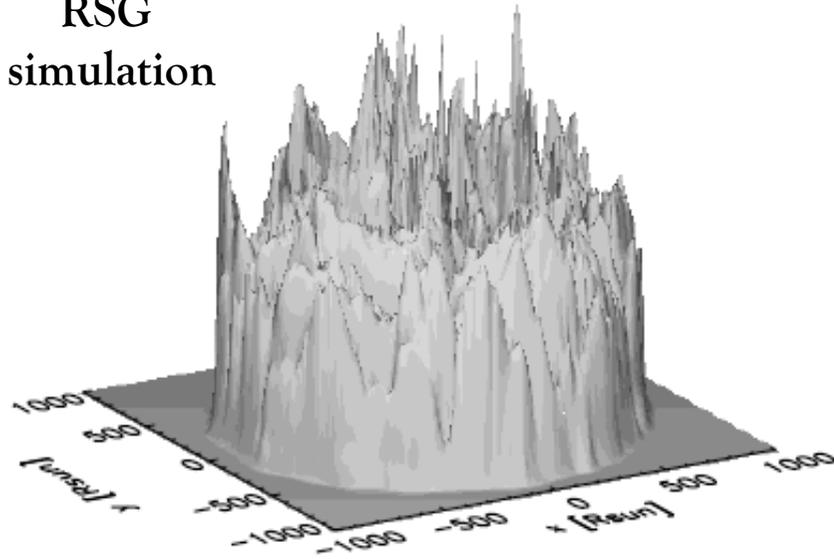
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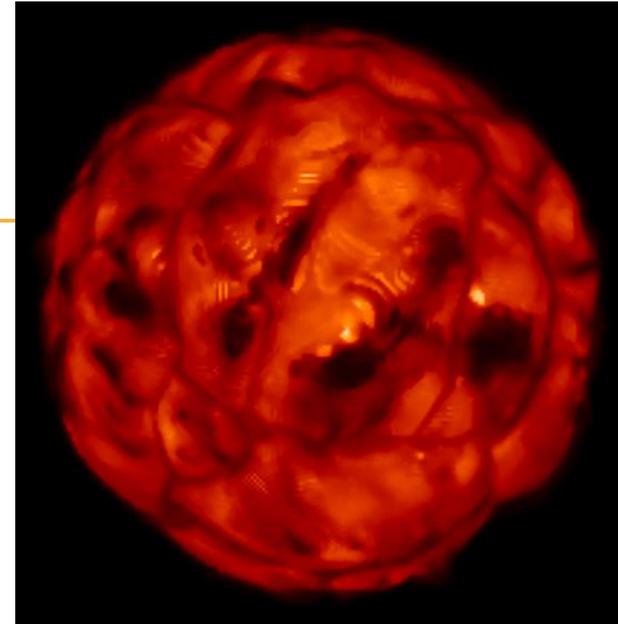
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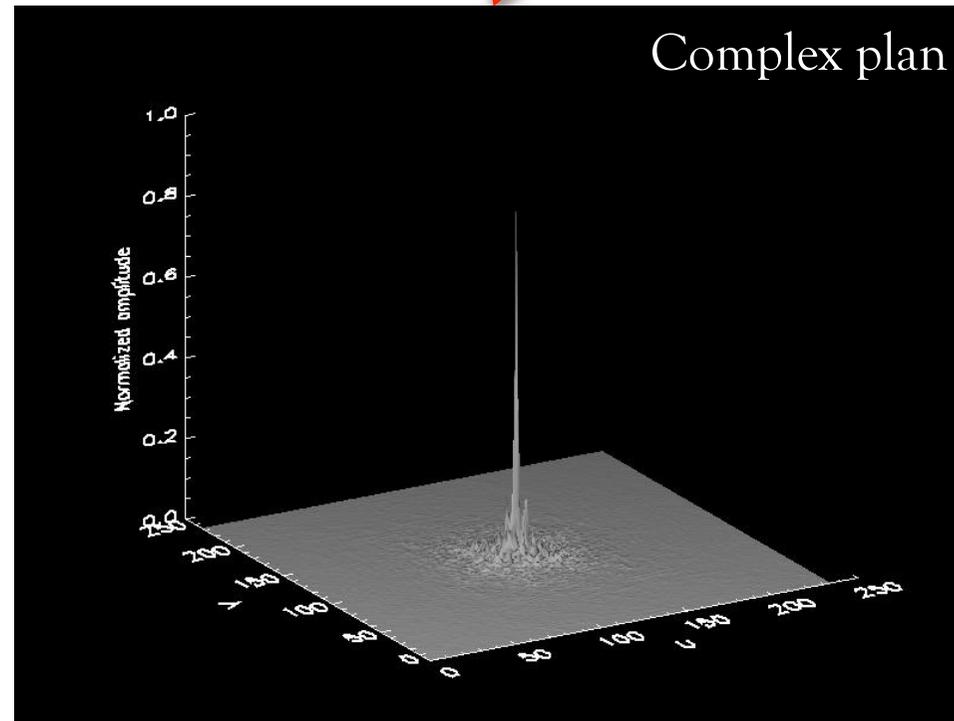


Clear deviations from spherical symmetry. Maximum deviations up to 10% with respect to average value

INPUT:  
2D simulation images



Fourier Transformer



# VISIBILITY – FIRST LOBE

- Incertitude on the radius determination

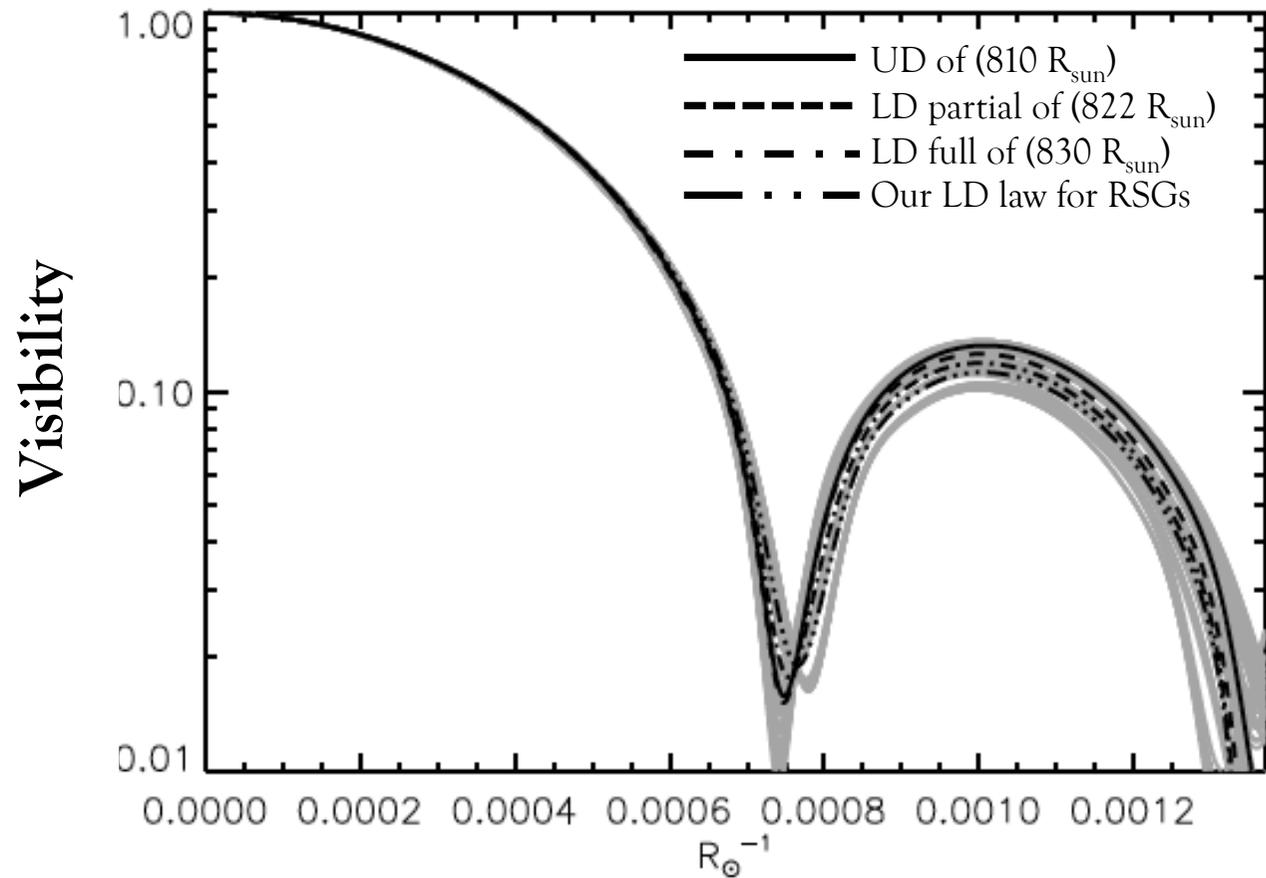
$L=93000\pm 1300 L_{\odot}$

$T_{\text{eff}}=3490\pm 13 \text{ K}$

$R=832\pm 0.7 R_{\odot}$

$\log(g)=-0.337\pm 0.001$

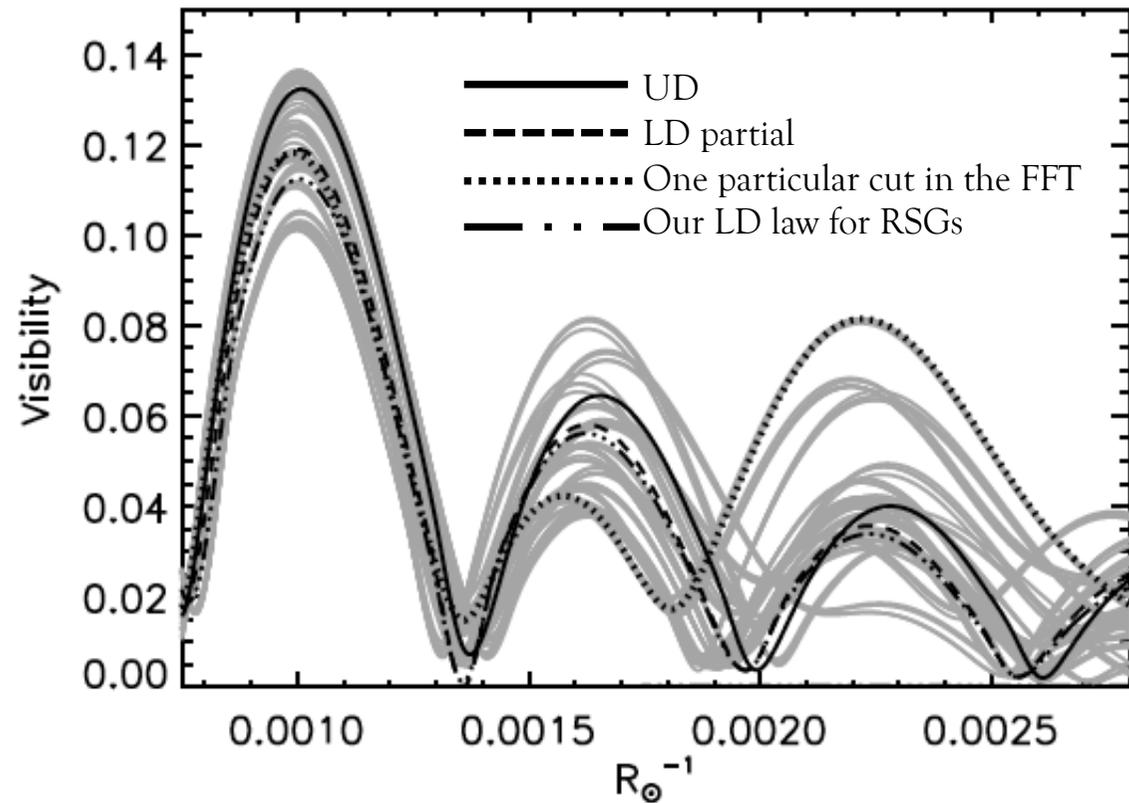
$M=12 M_{\odot}$



$$v [\text{arcsec}^{-1}] = v [R_{\odot}^{-1}] \times d [\text{pc}] \times 214.9$$

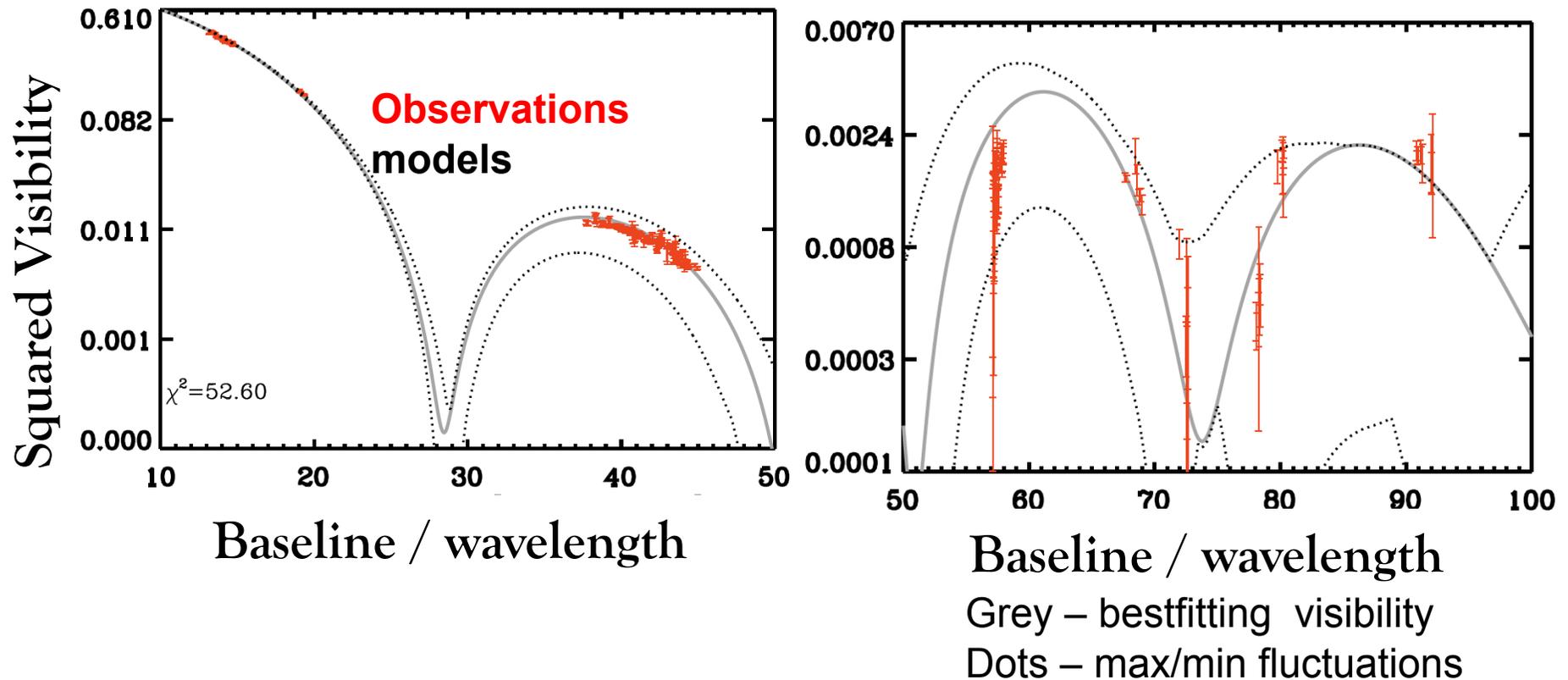
# VISIBILITY - THE SECOND, THIRD AND FOURTH LOBES

- ✘ Clear deviation from circular symmetry. Signal higher than UD or LD predictions!!!
- ✘ Scatter becomes larger with spatial frequencies
- ✘ Signature of the convective cells



# AND A LOOK IN THE H BAND...

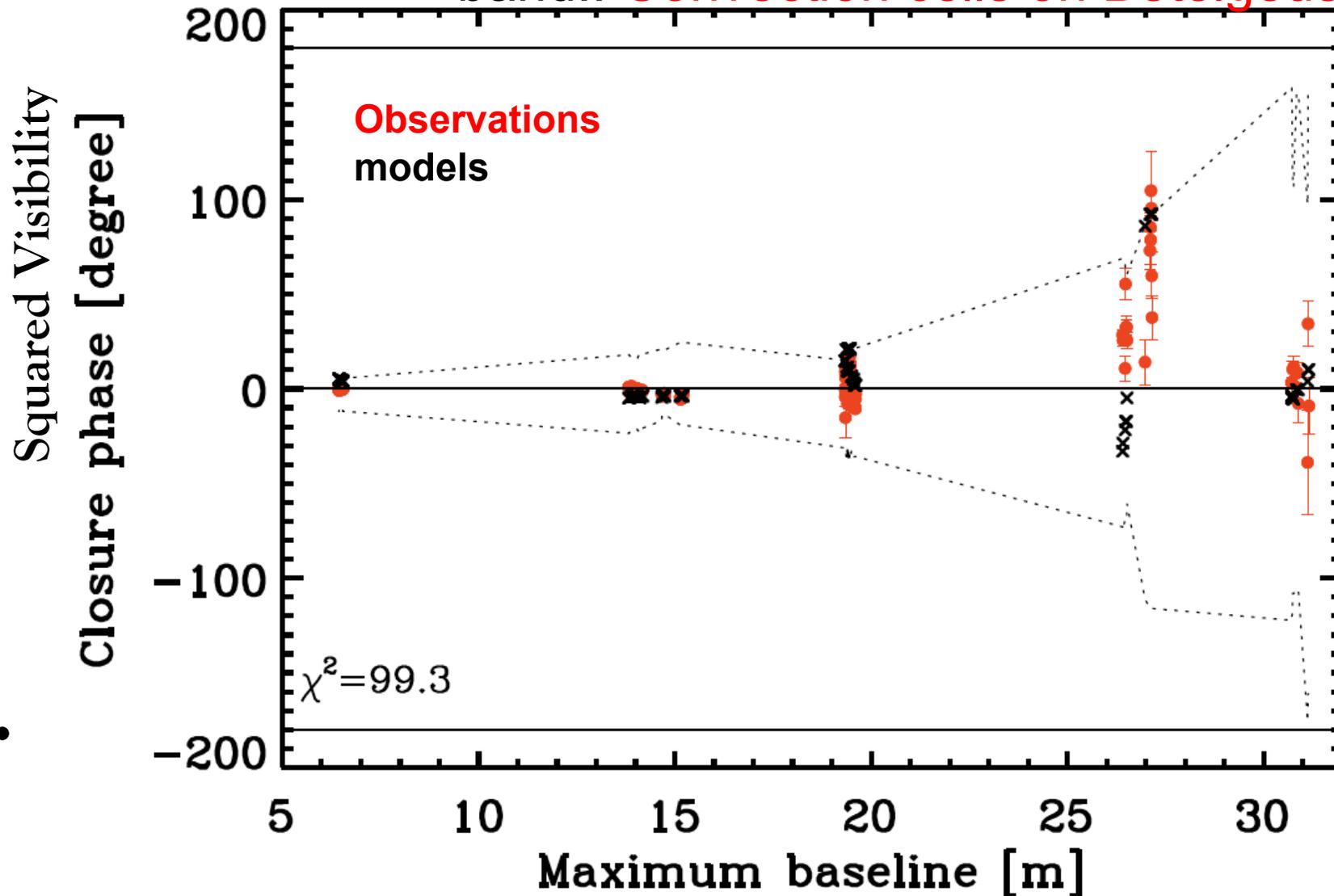
Very good fits from the optical to the H-K band!! **Convection cells on Betelgeuse**



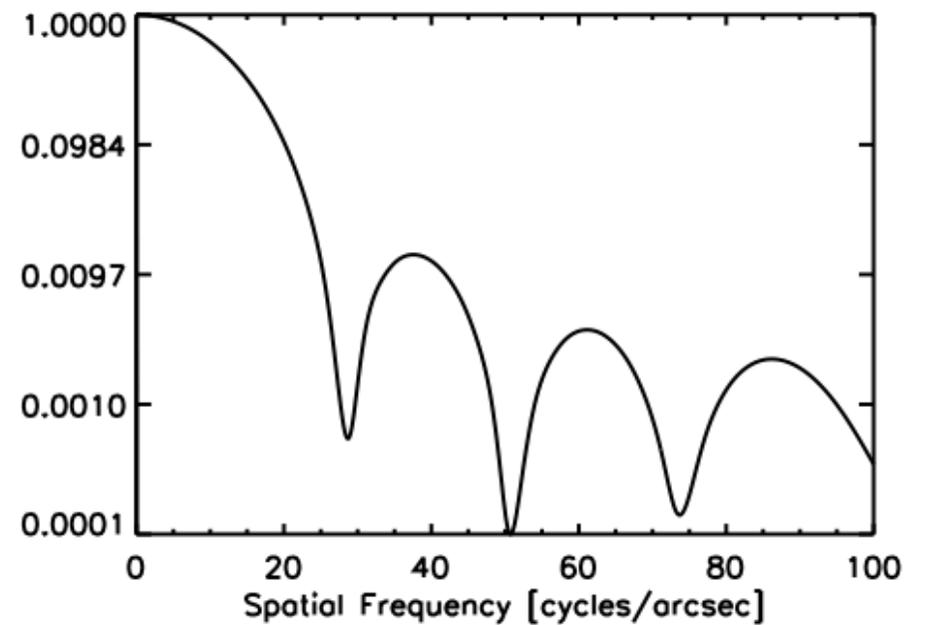
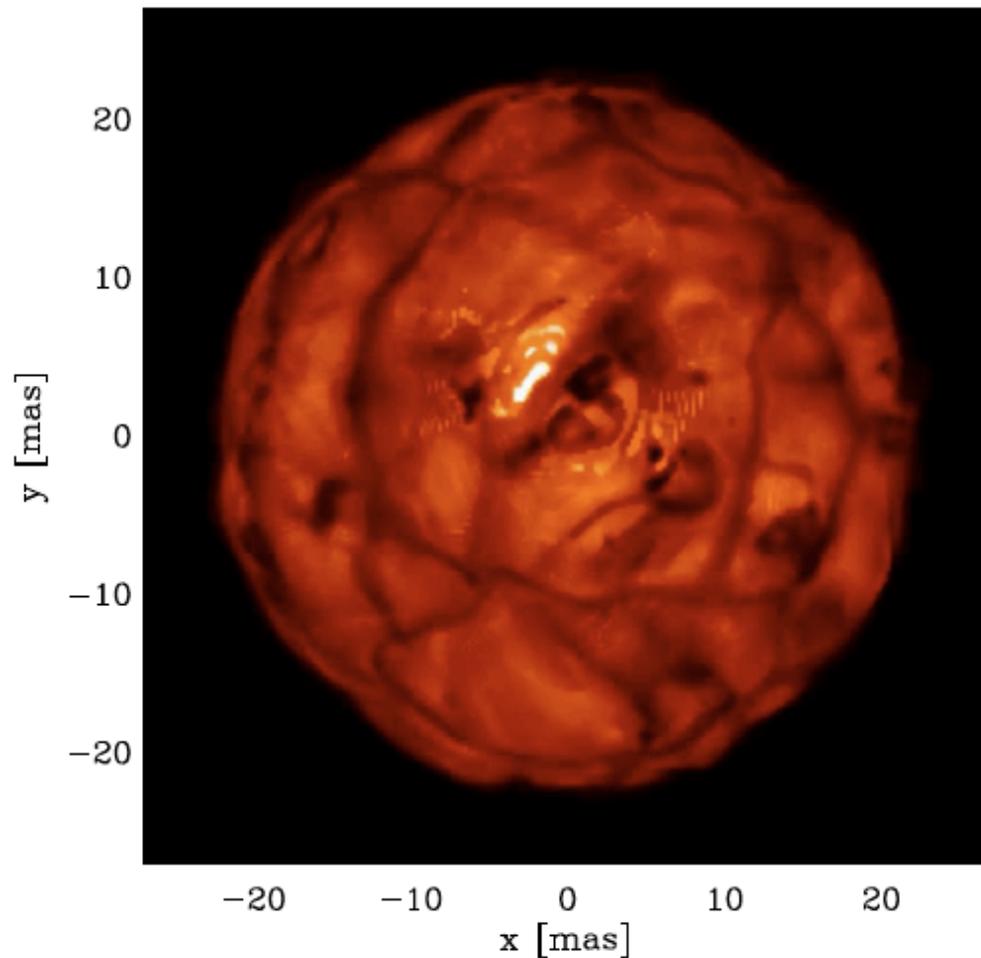
- IONIC H band (Haubois et al. 2009, **red**)

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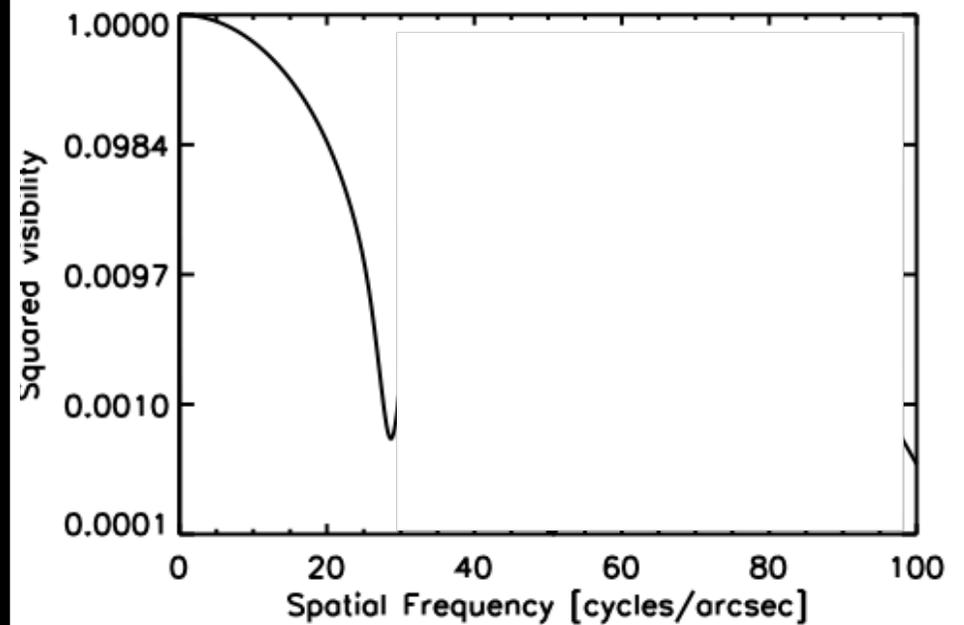
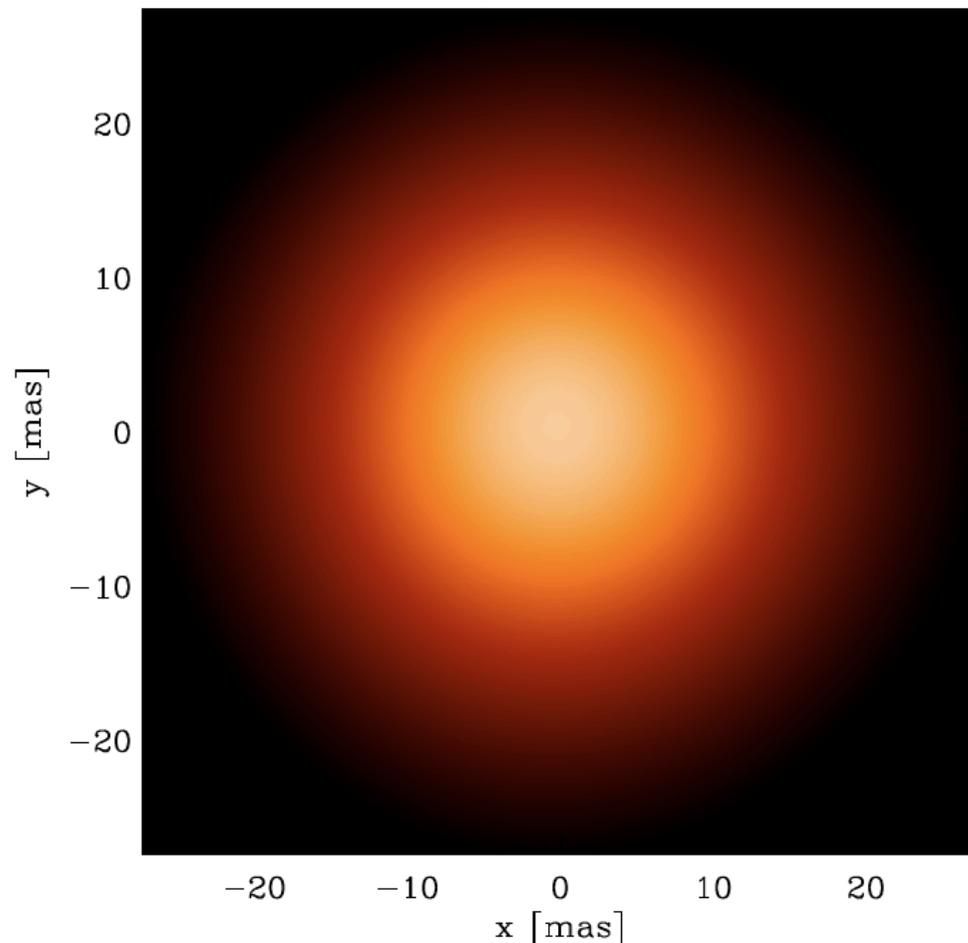
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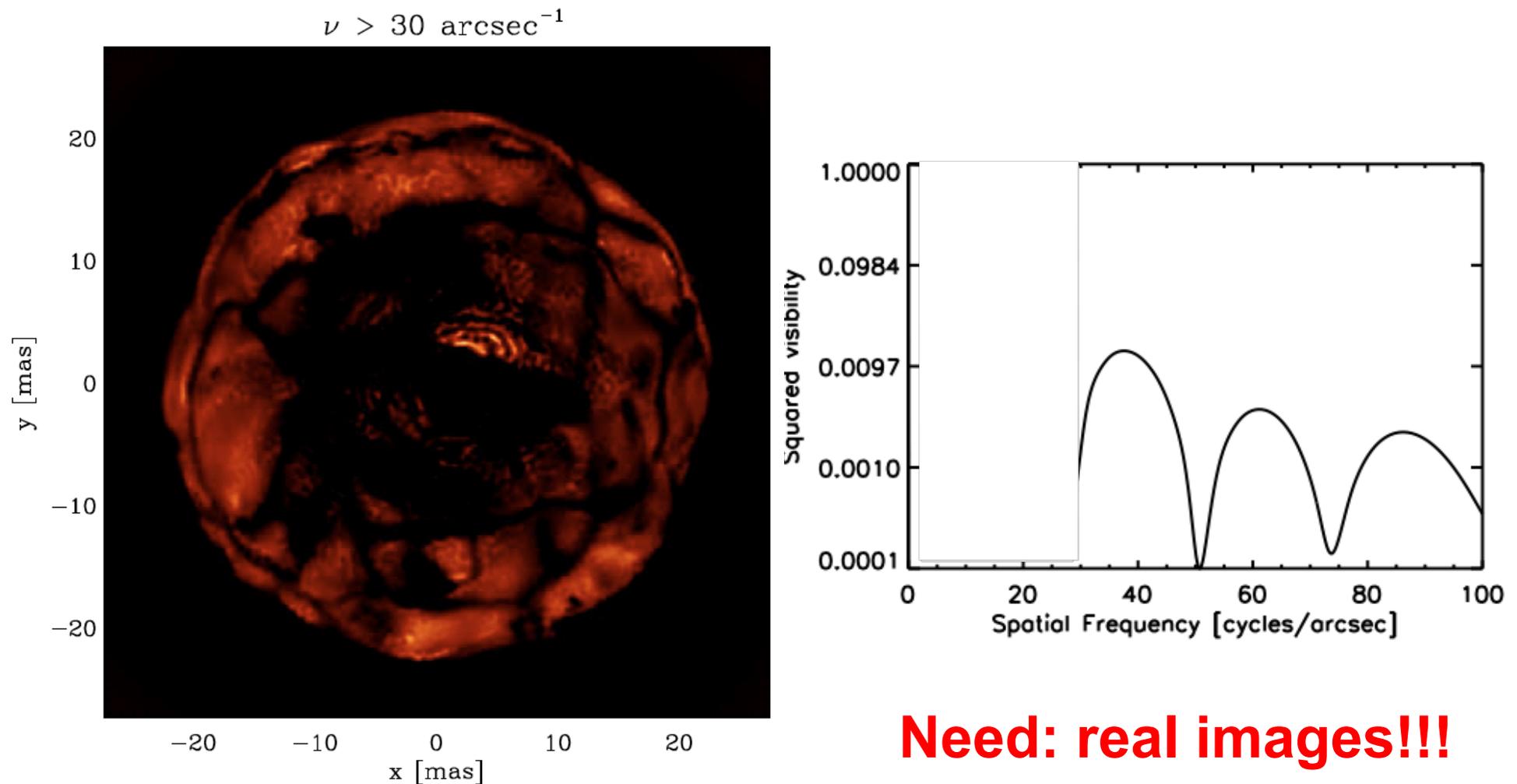
First lobe,  $\nu < 30 \text{ arcsec}^{-1}$



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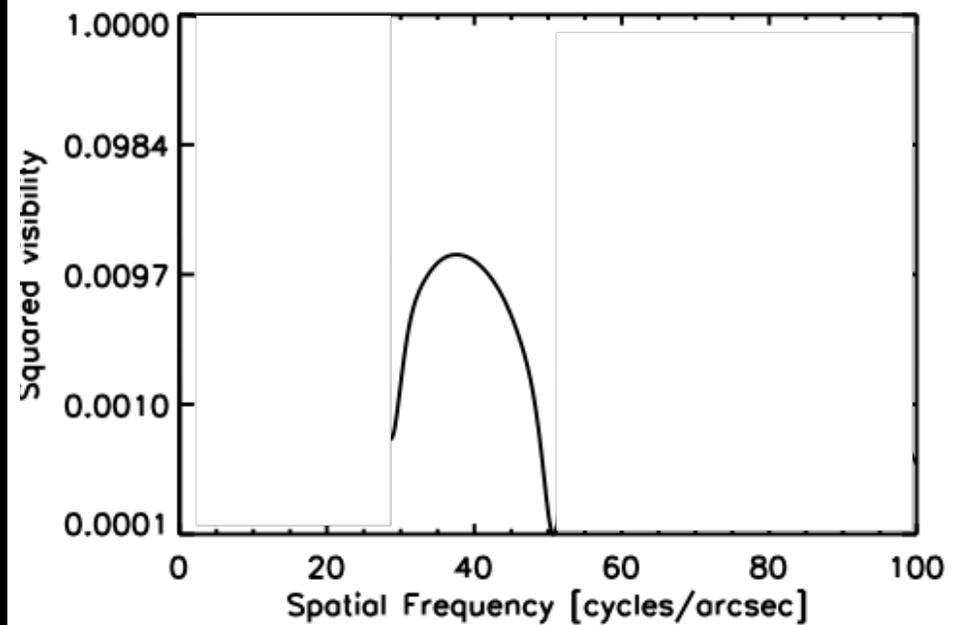
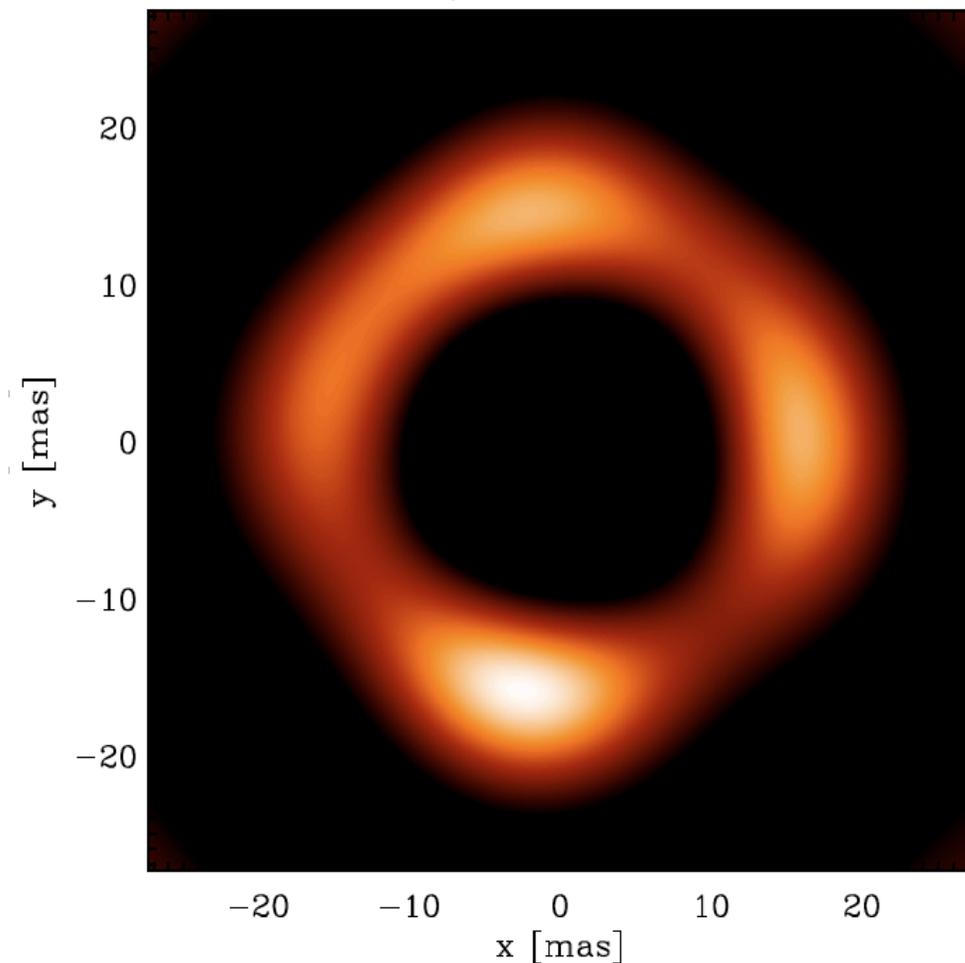


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Second lobe,  $30 < \nu < 50 \text{ arcsec}^{-1}$

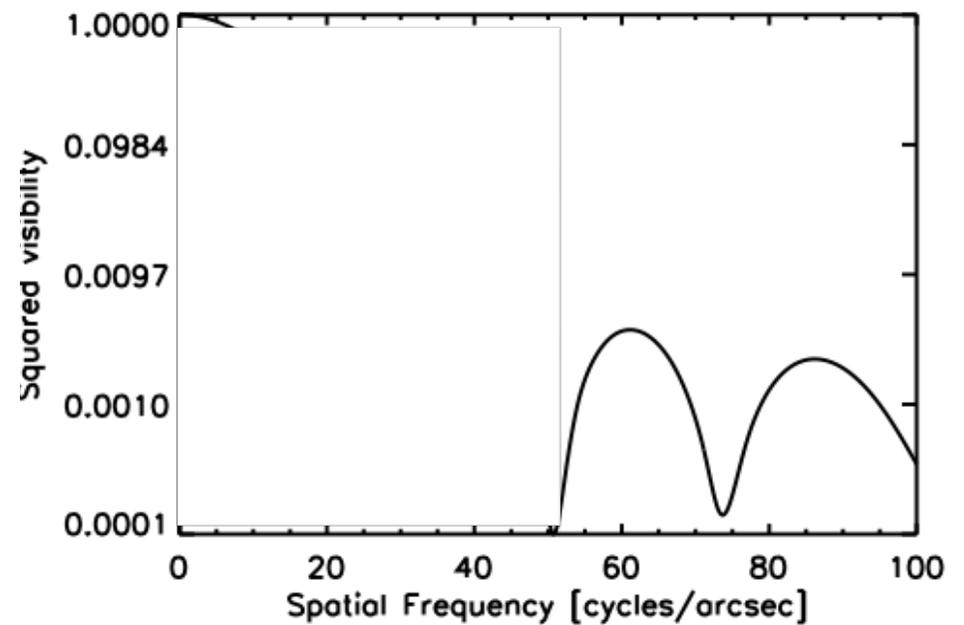
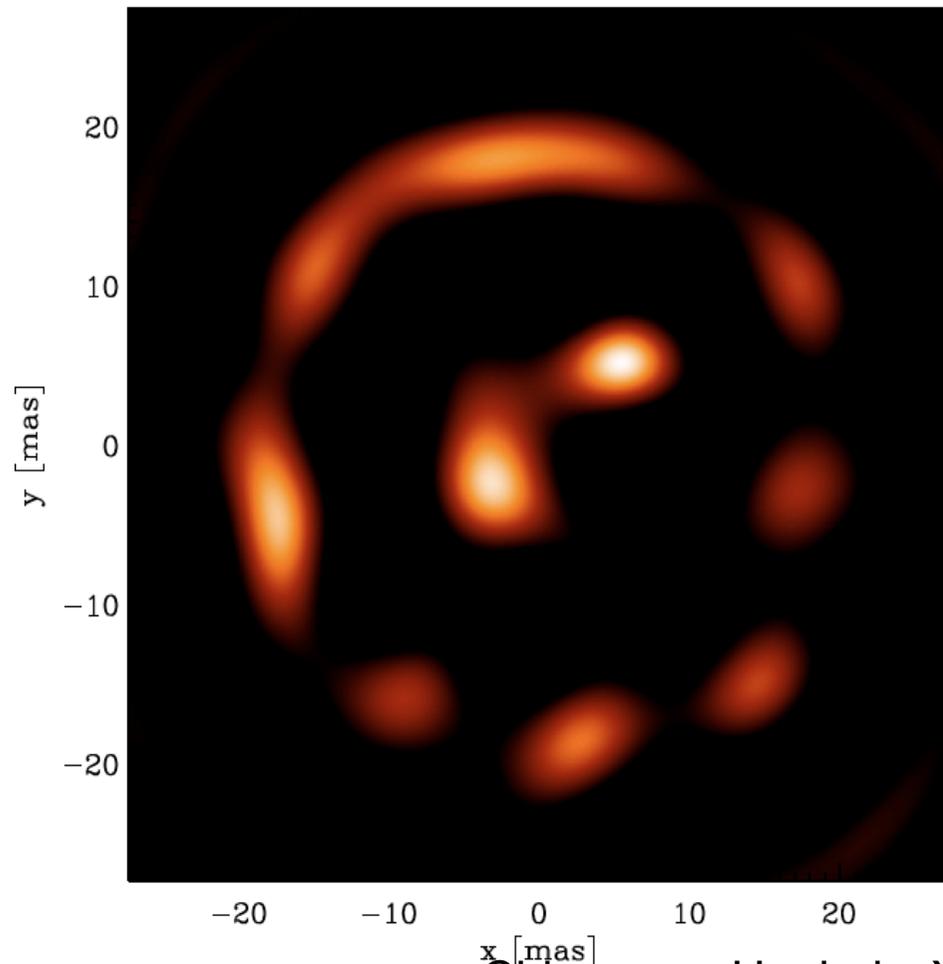


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Third and fourth lobes,  $50 < \nu < 100 \text{ arcsec}^{-1}$



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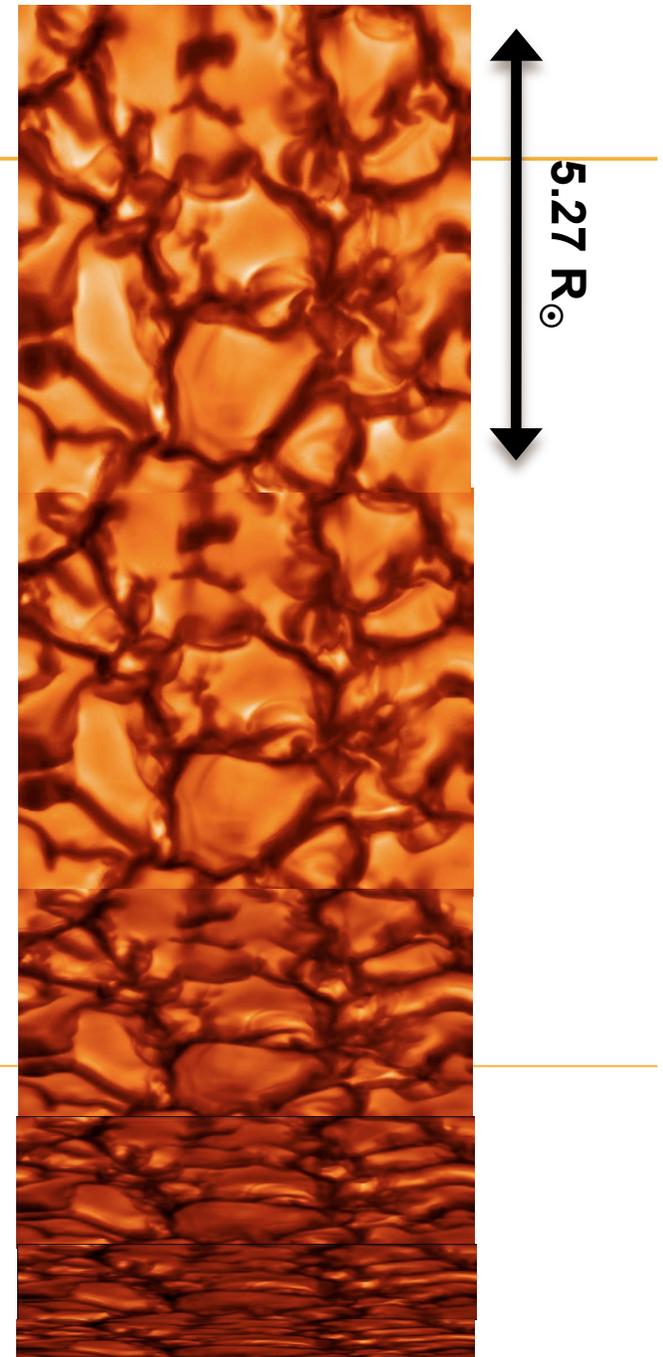
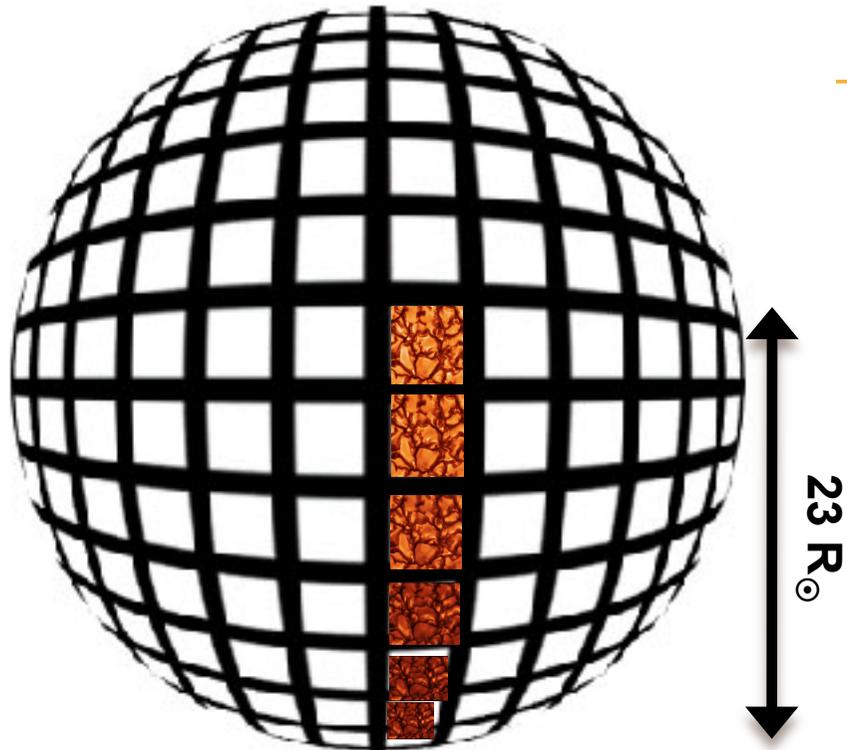
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× Giant stars

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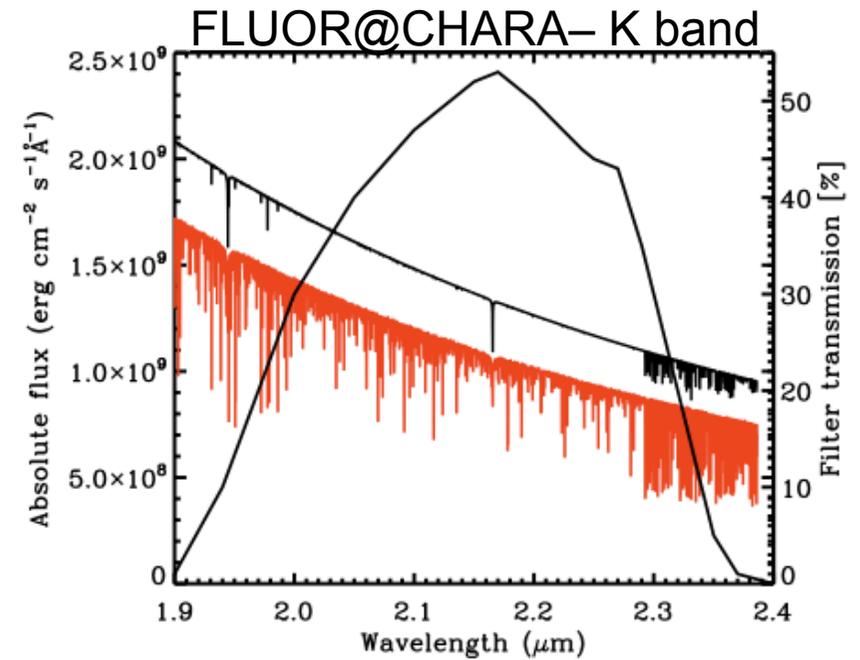
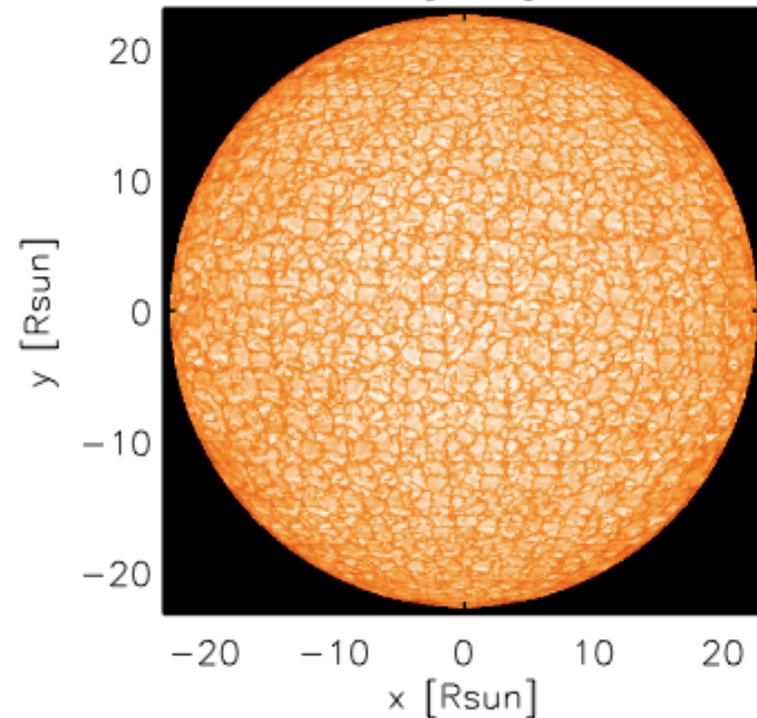
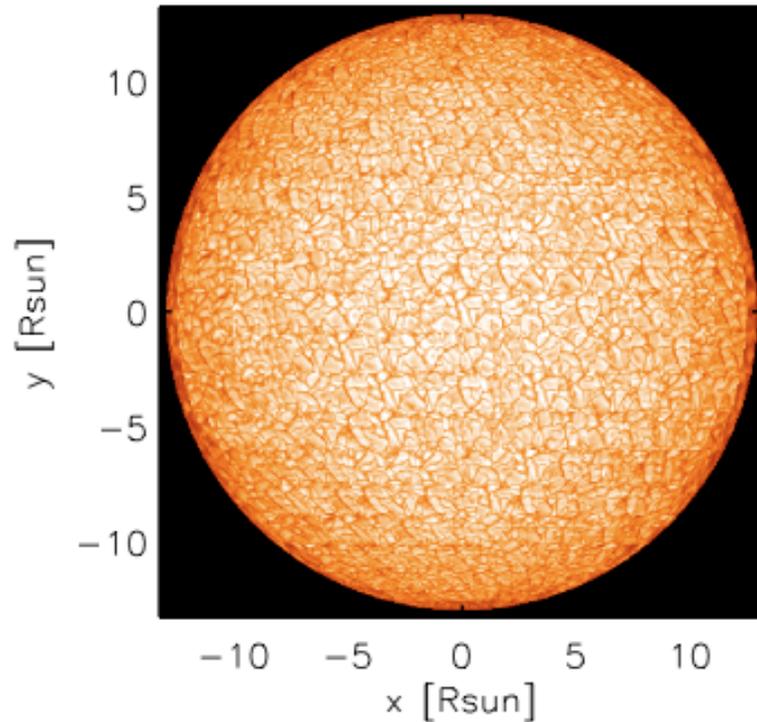


**Metal poor**  $0.8 M_{\odot}$ ,  $23 R_{\odot}$ ,  $\log(g)=1.6$ ,  $T_{\text{eff}} \approx 4600\text{K}$ ,  
 $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]=-3.0$  (Collet et al. 2010, in preparation)

**Solar metallicity**  $0.8 M_{\odot}$ ,  $12.9 R_{\odot}$ ,  $\log(g)=2.2$ ,  
 $T_{\text{eff}} \approx 4700\text{K}$ ,  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]=0.0$  (Collet et al. 2007)

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## Solar metallicity giant



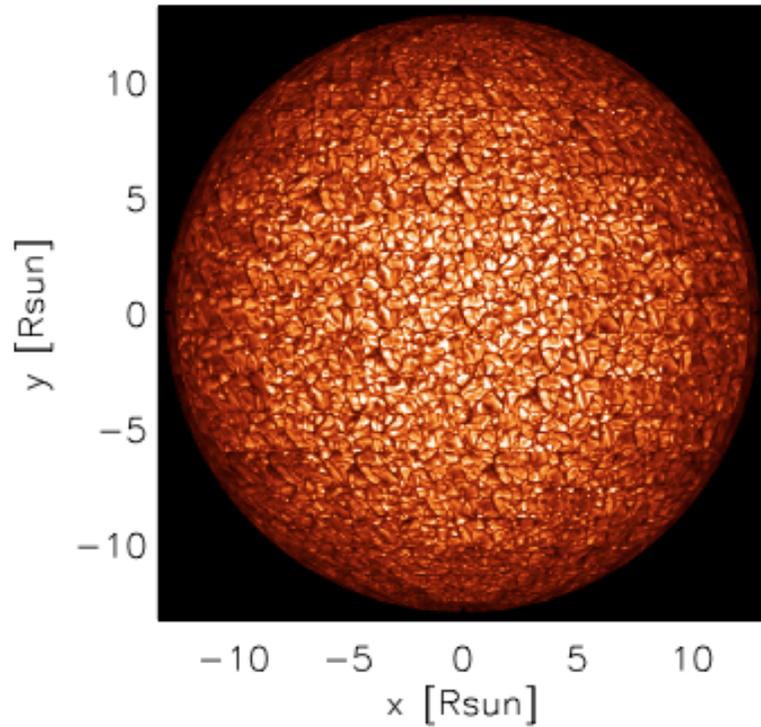
Metal poor giant

Intensity maps range: [4000, 120000] erg/s/cm<sup>2</sup>/Å

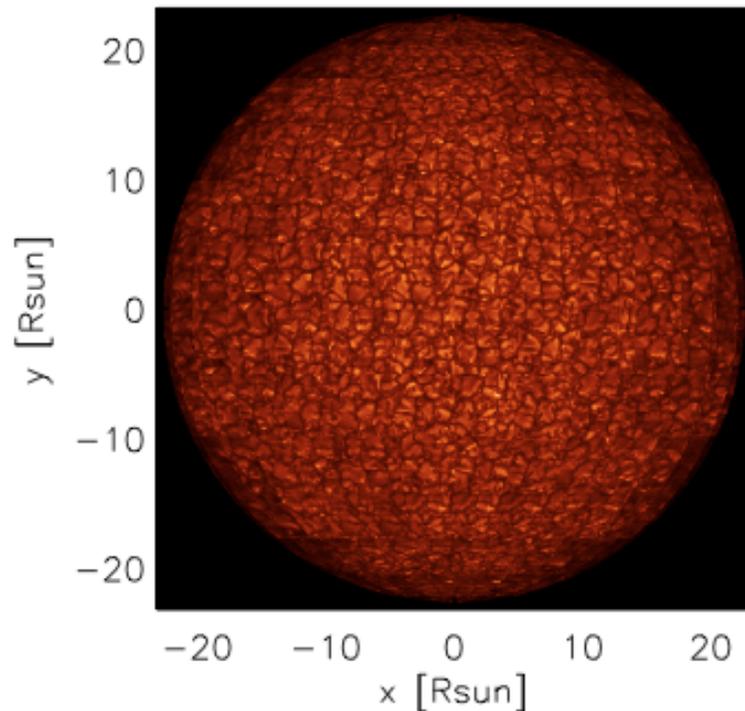
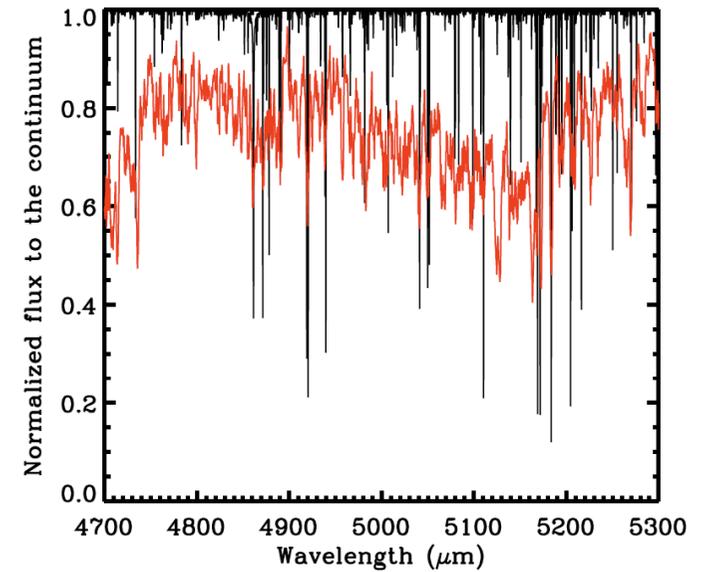
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### Optical: 4700-5300 Å



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# VISIBILITIES FOR METAL POOR GIANT

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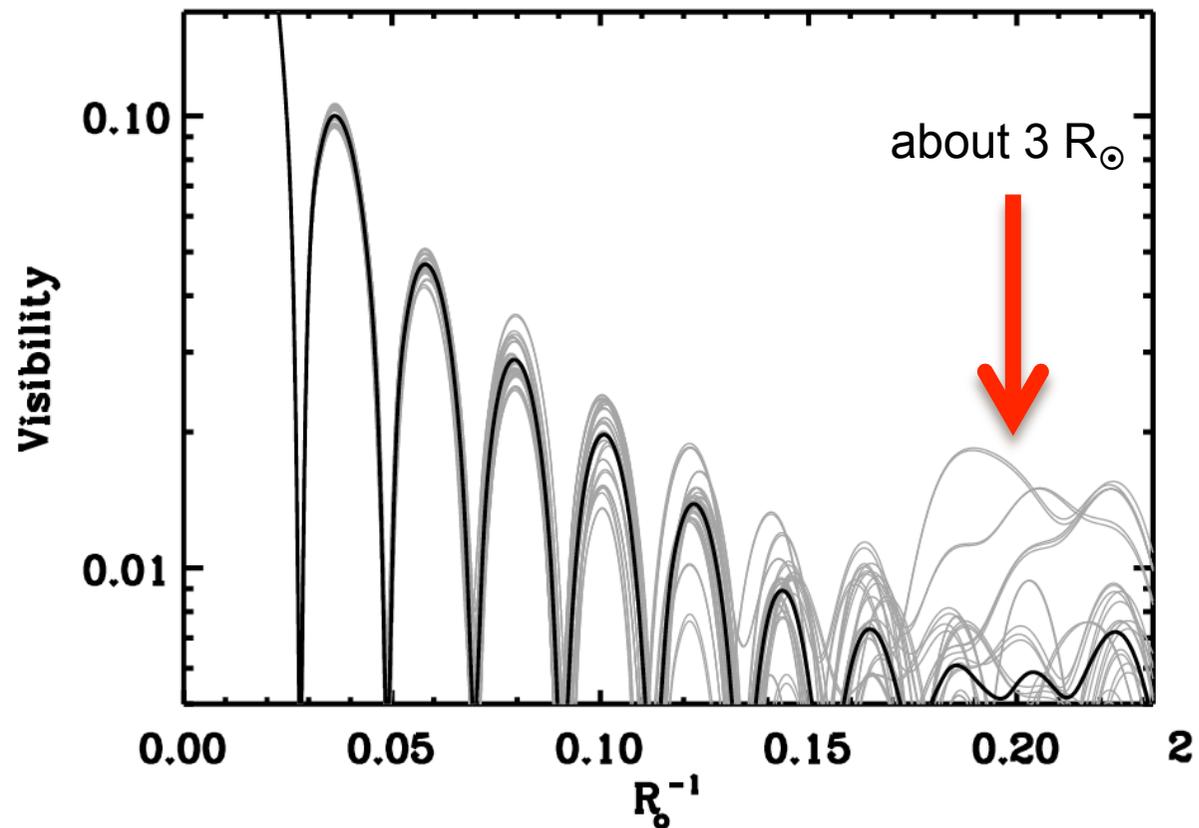
Synthetic visibilities (grey)

Average visibility (black)

FLUOR K band

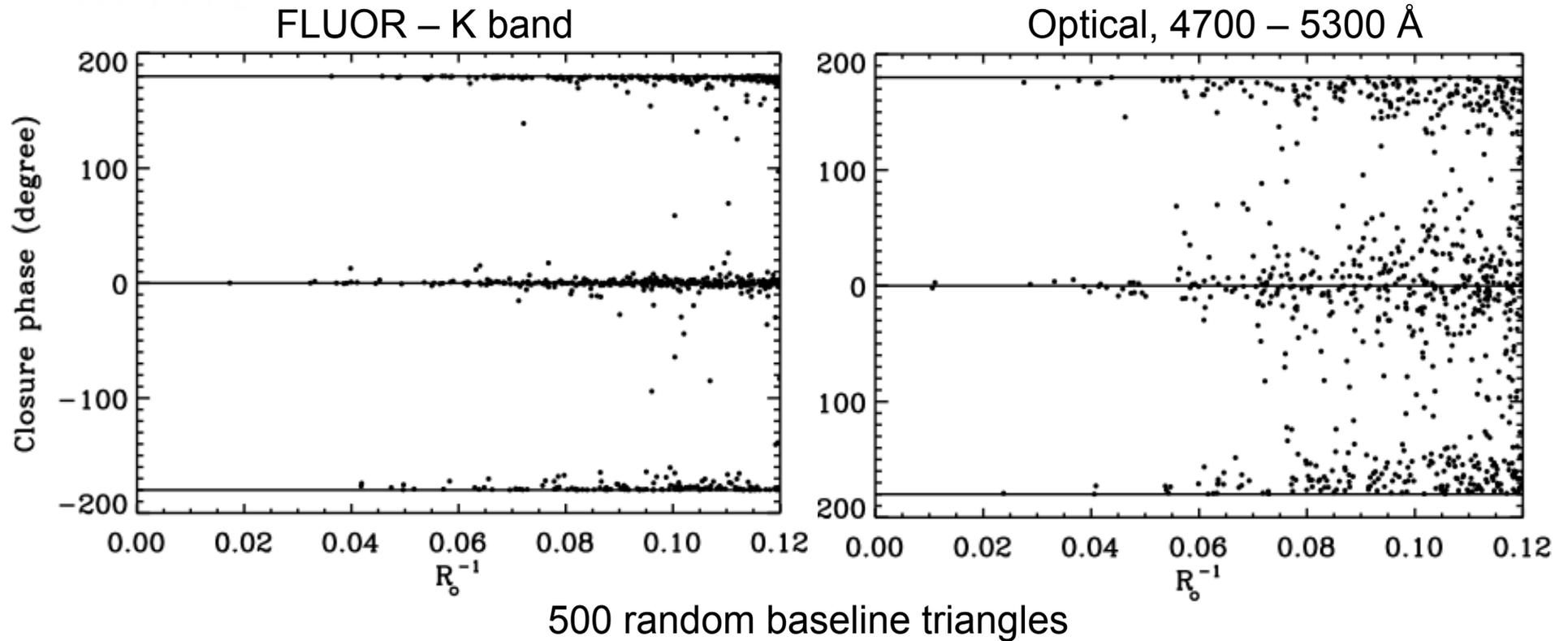
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# ... AND CLOSURE PHASES FOR METAL POOR GIANT



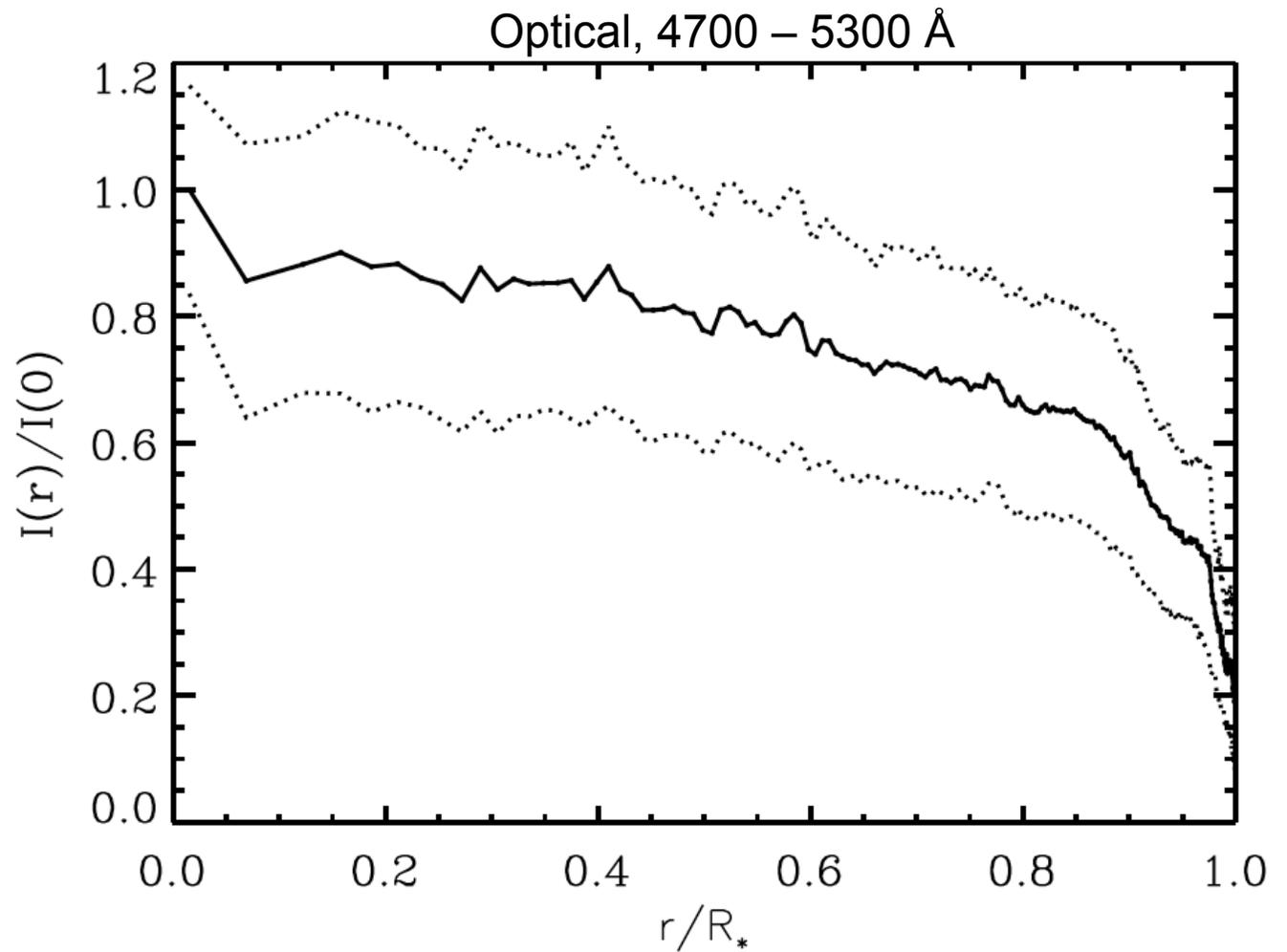
✘ Clear **deviation** from circular symmetry

(Chiavassa, Collet et al. 2010, in preparation)

# LIMB DARKENING FIT

(Chiavassa, Collet et al. 2010, in preparation)

Average profile (solid black line)  
1 sigma fluctuations (dotted line)

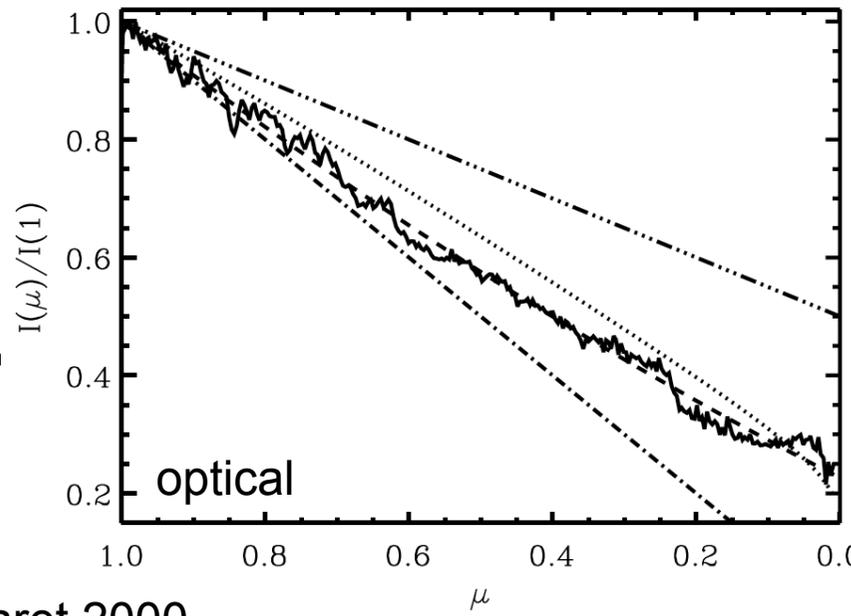
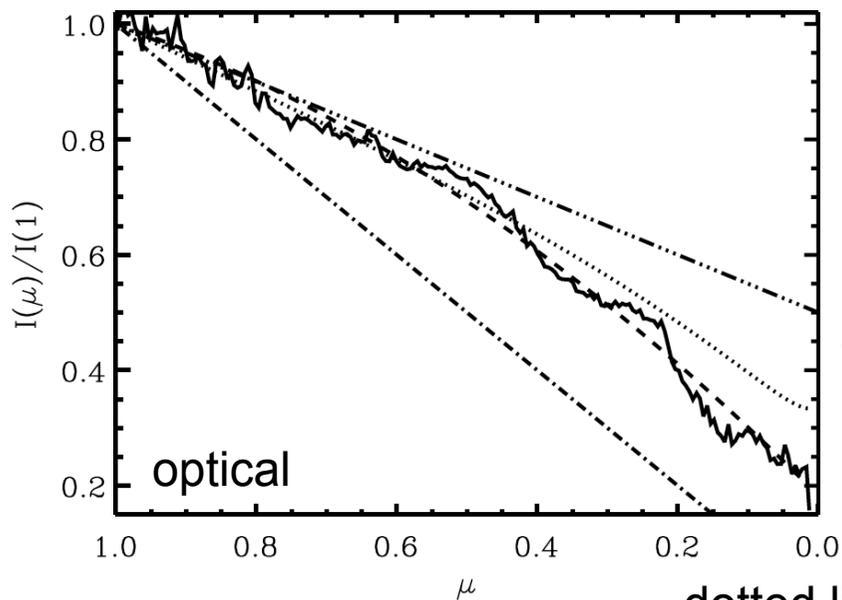
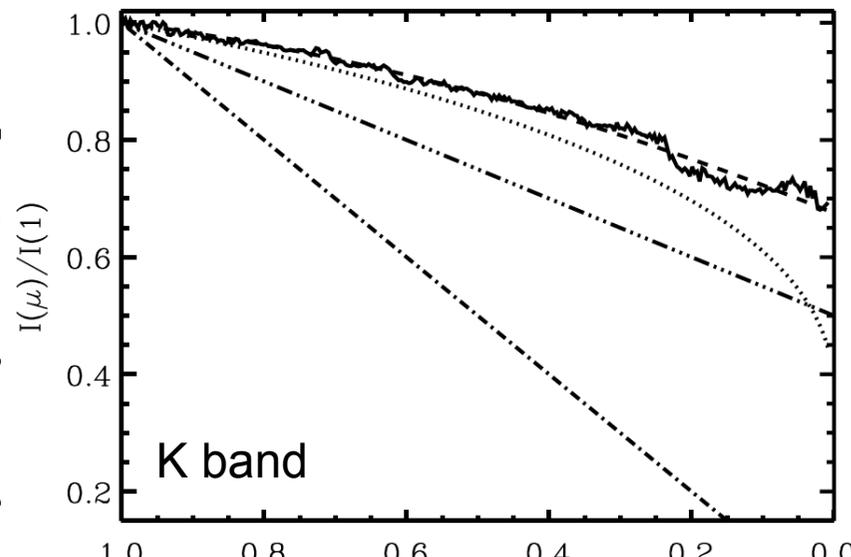
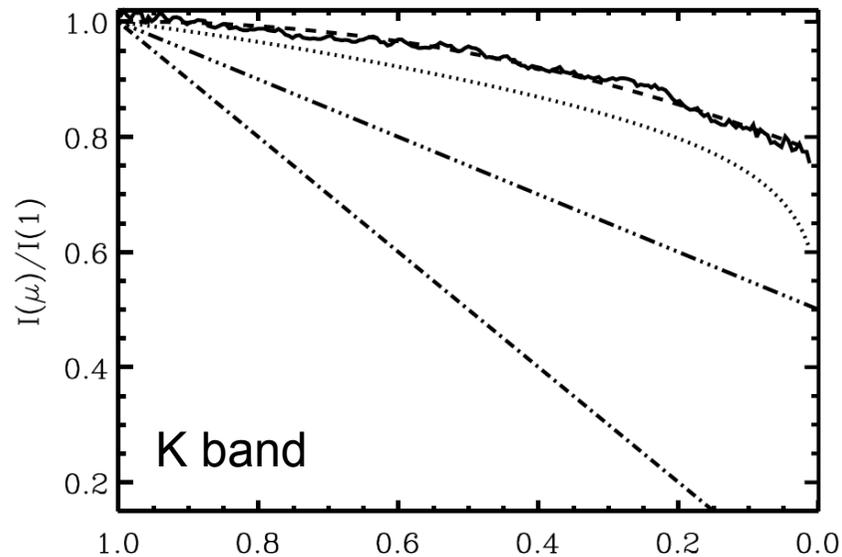


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Metal poor giant

Solar metallicity giant



dotted lines - Claret 2000

# OUT LINE

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× Conclusions

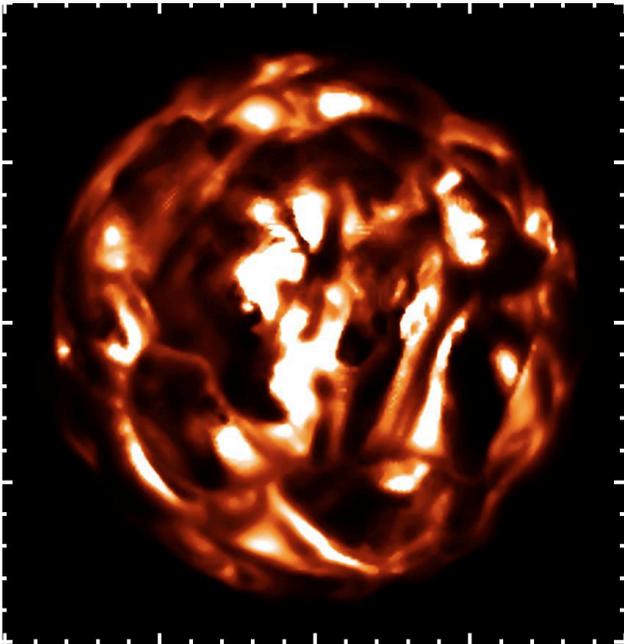
# CONCLUSIONS

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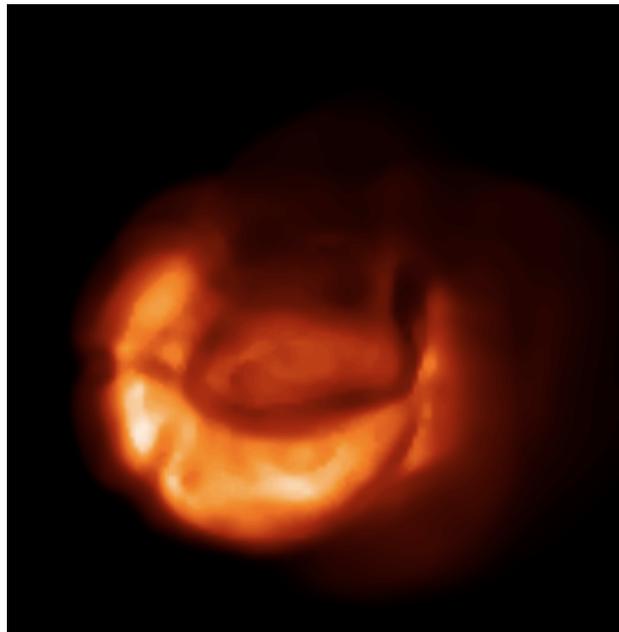
- × **Convection**-related surface structures **cause visibility/phase fluctuations** that:
  1. Add uncertainty on radius measurement (RSG)
  2. Clearly deviate from circular symmetry at high frequency: size distribution
  
- × **Predictions for giant stars at different metallicity**
  
- × **Synergy between observation and modelisation**: both in terms of verifying the simulations, and understanding the observations.

# 3D MODELS TO BE USED

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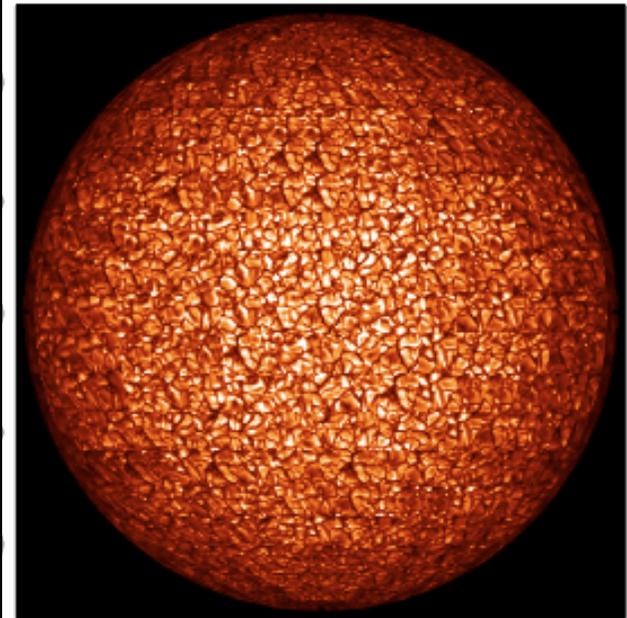


Red Supergiants (Freitag et al. 2002; Chiavassa & Freitag 2010, in prep.)



AGB (Freitag & Hoefner 2008)

See applications in Chiavassa, Lacour, Millour et al. 2010, A&A in press



Red Giant Branch

# THANK YOU

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