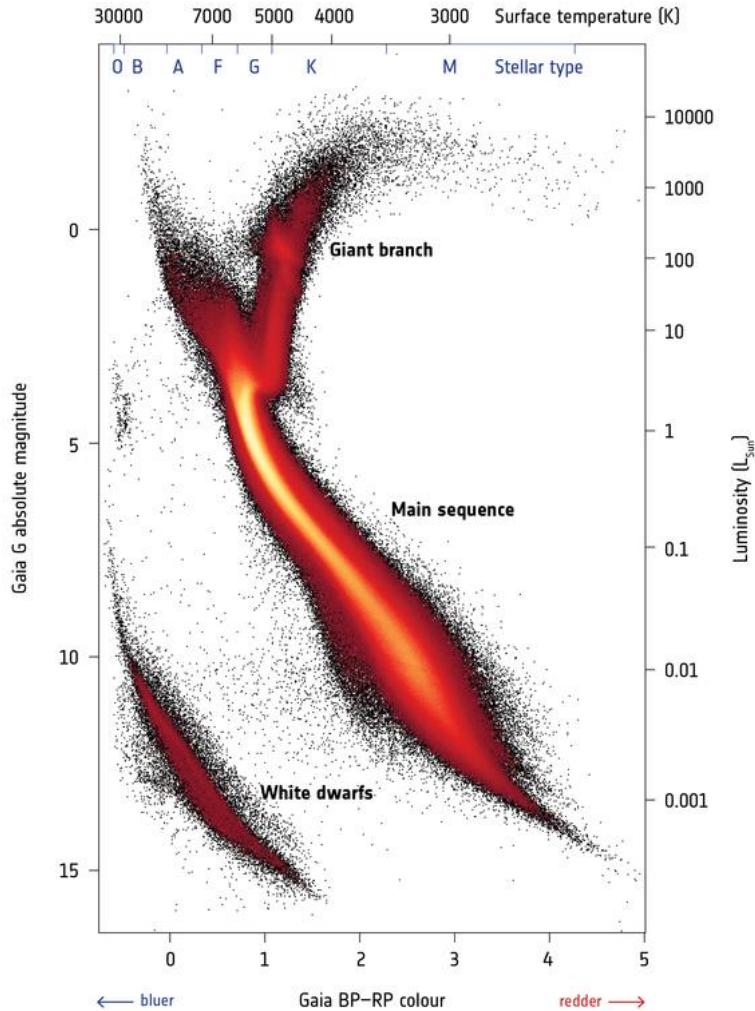


The potential of UVEX to study hot subluminous stars

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Hot subluminous stars



Situated between MS and WDs
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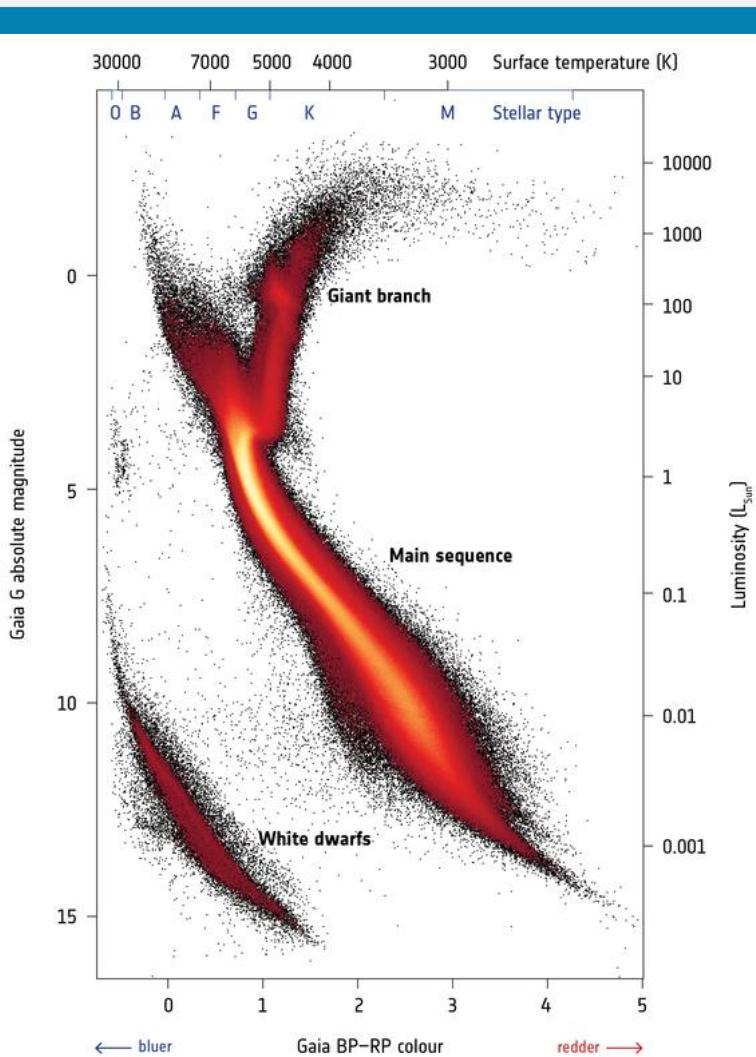
Spectral types (sd)O/B/A

$T_{\text{eff}} \sim 10000 - 100000 \text{ K}$

$L \sim 10 - 1000 M_{\odot}$

Flux maximum in the UV

Hot subluminous stars



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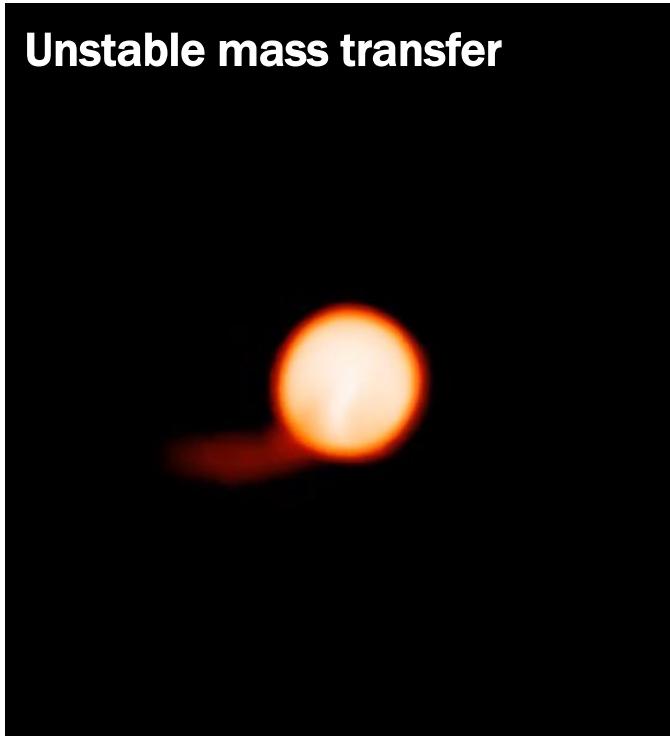
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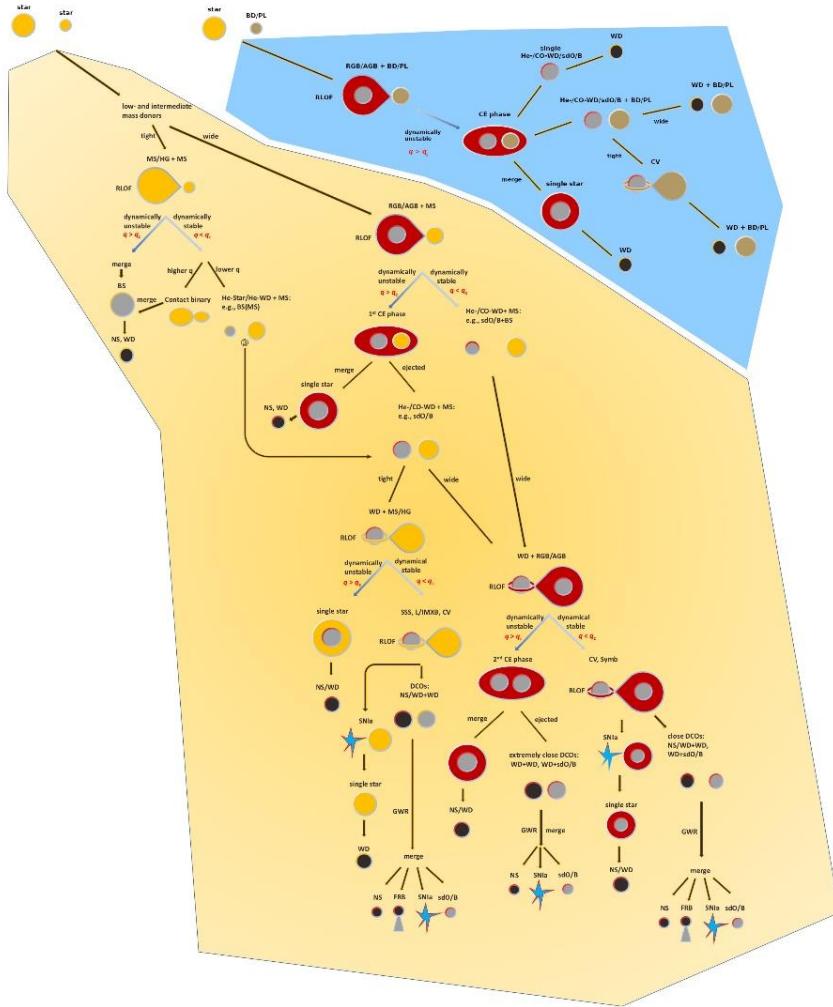
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Stable mass transfer



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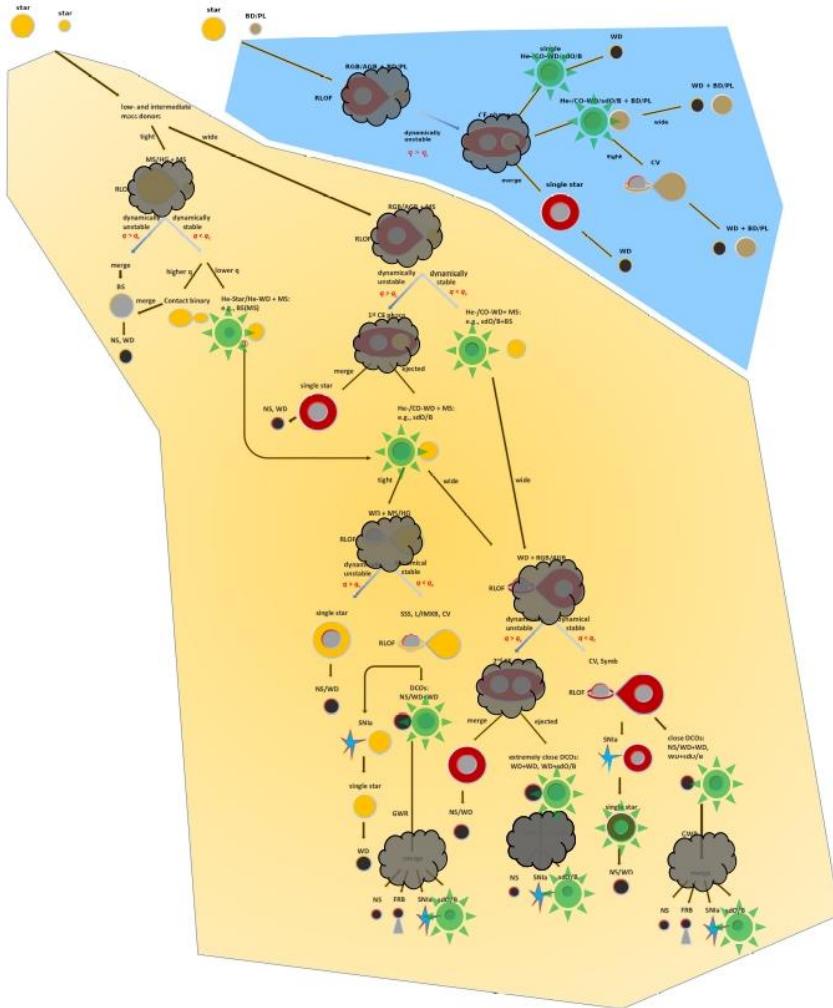
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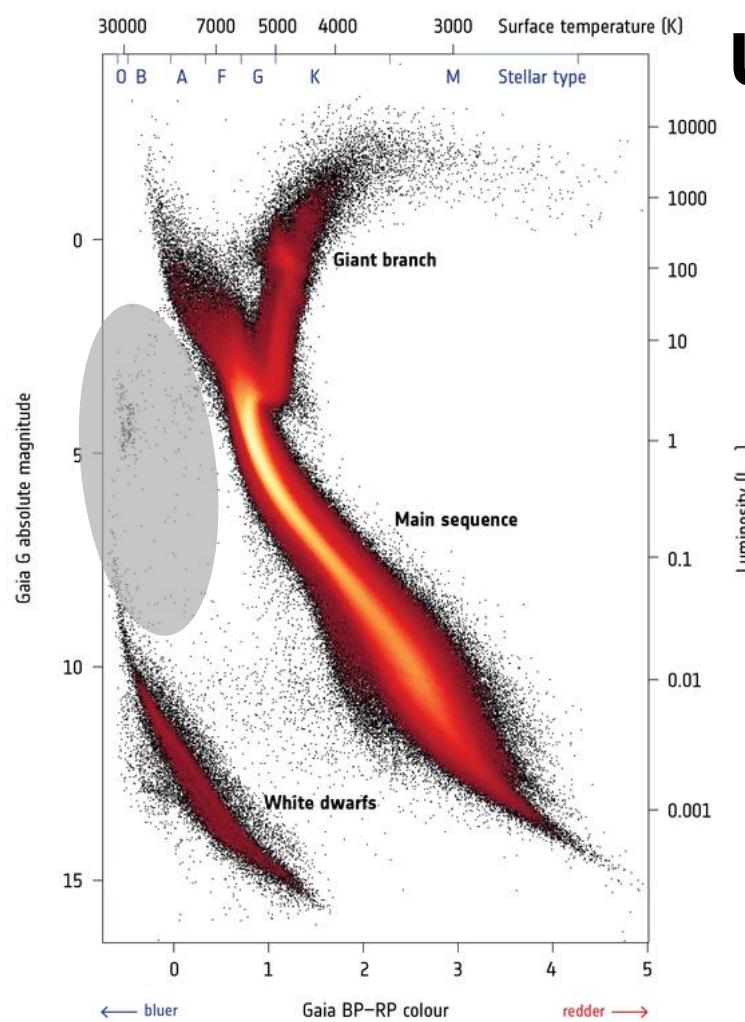
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Uncharted territory



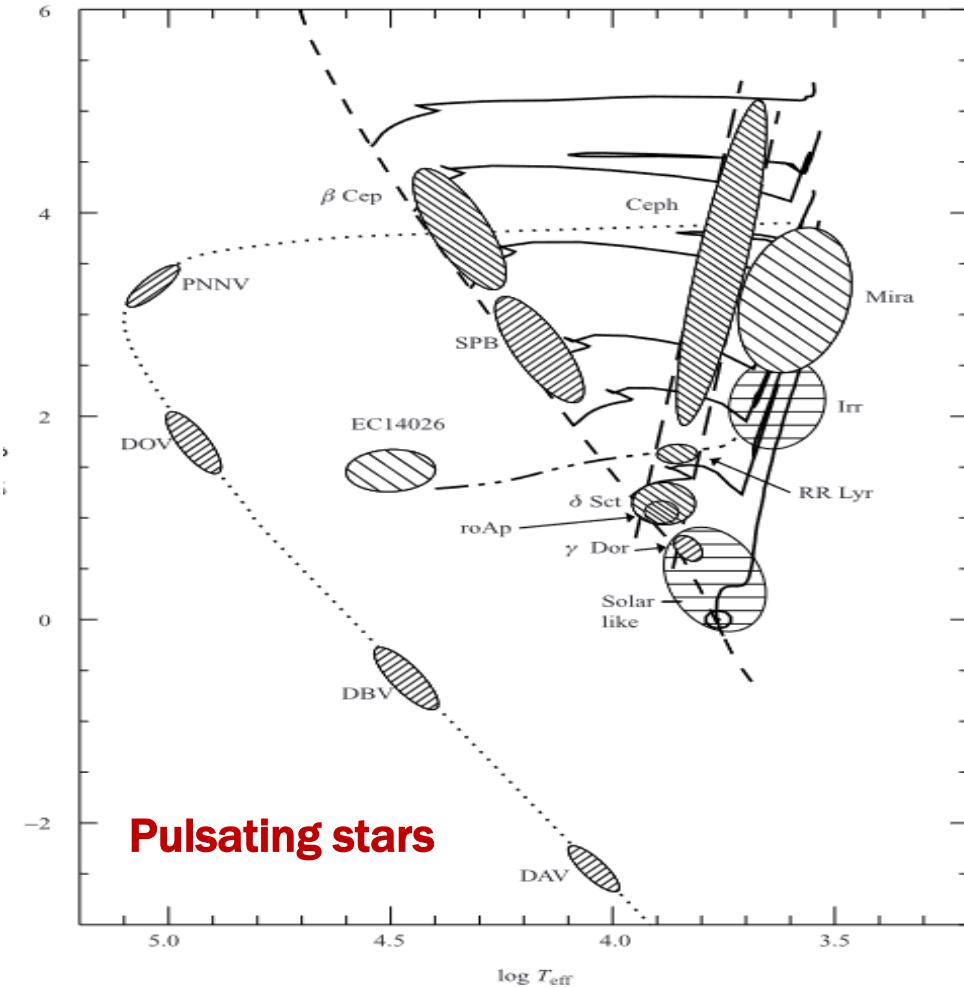
The origin of new species



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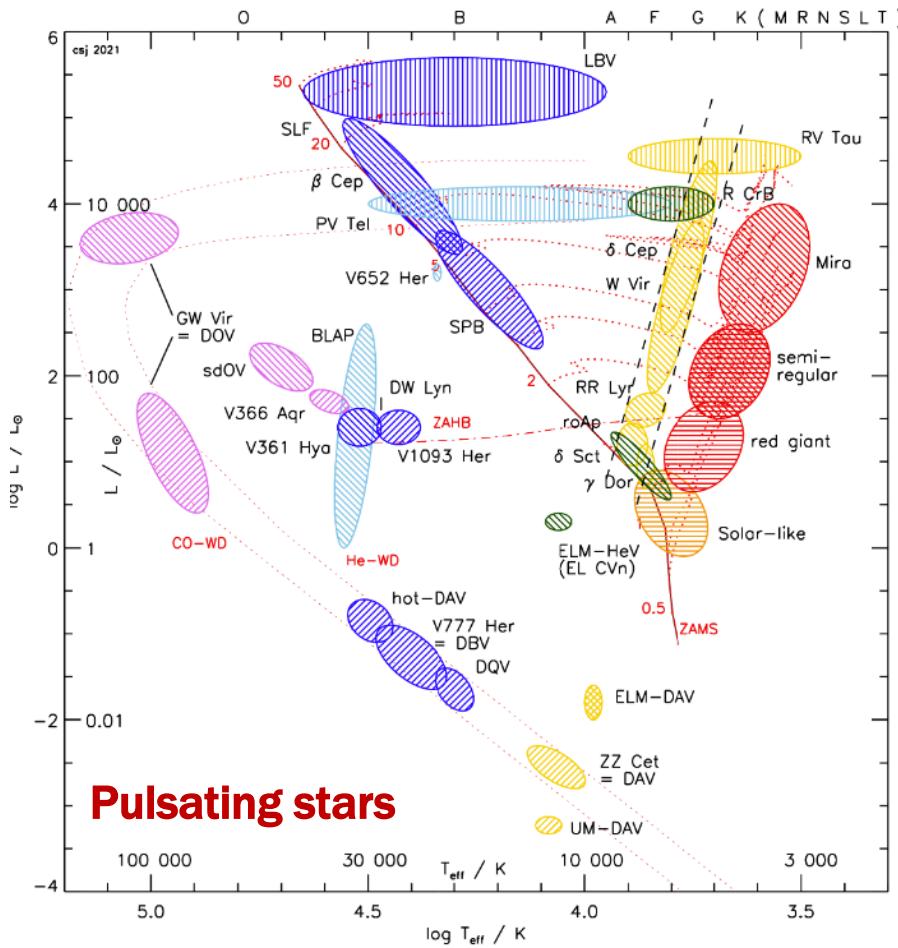
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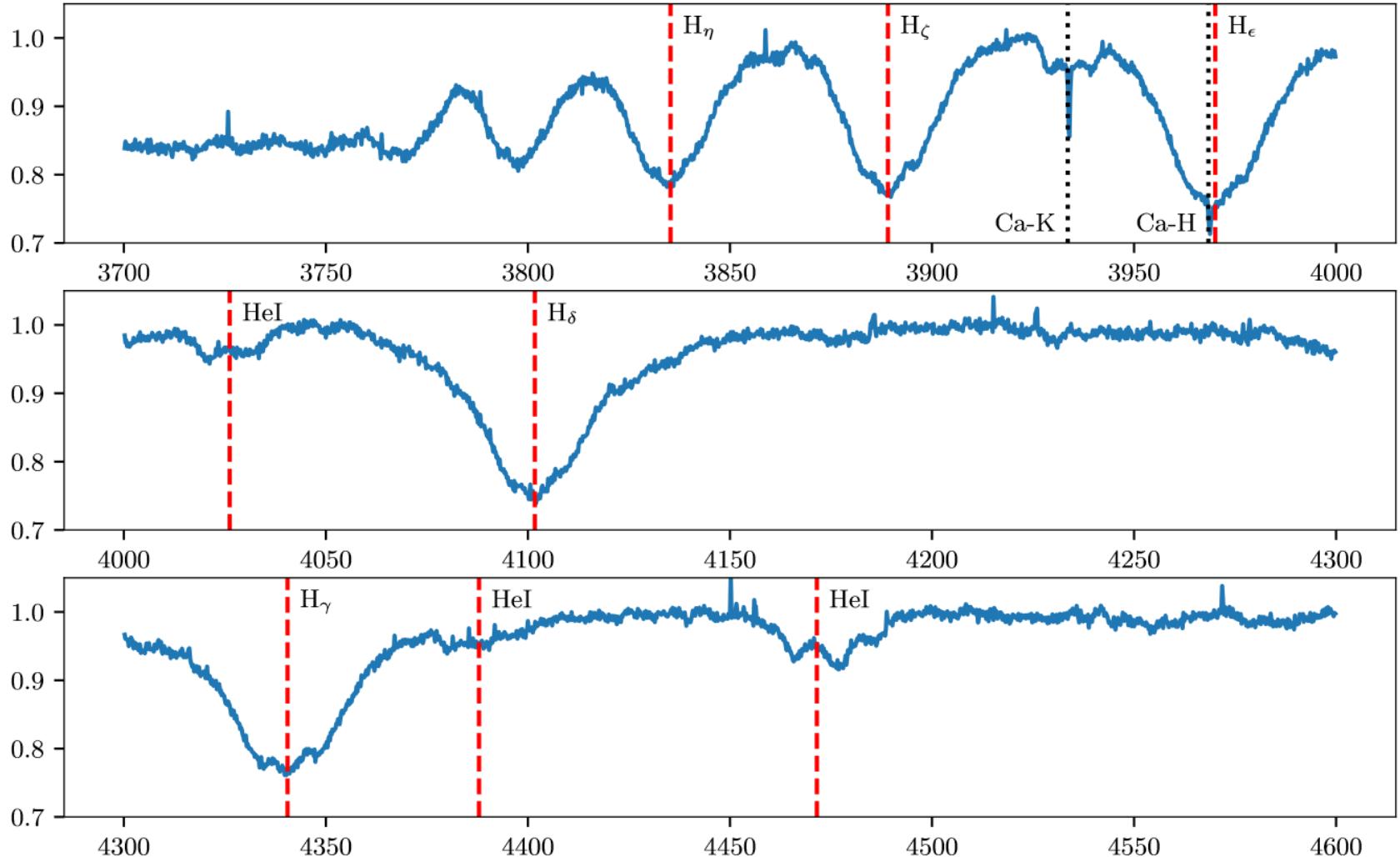
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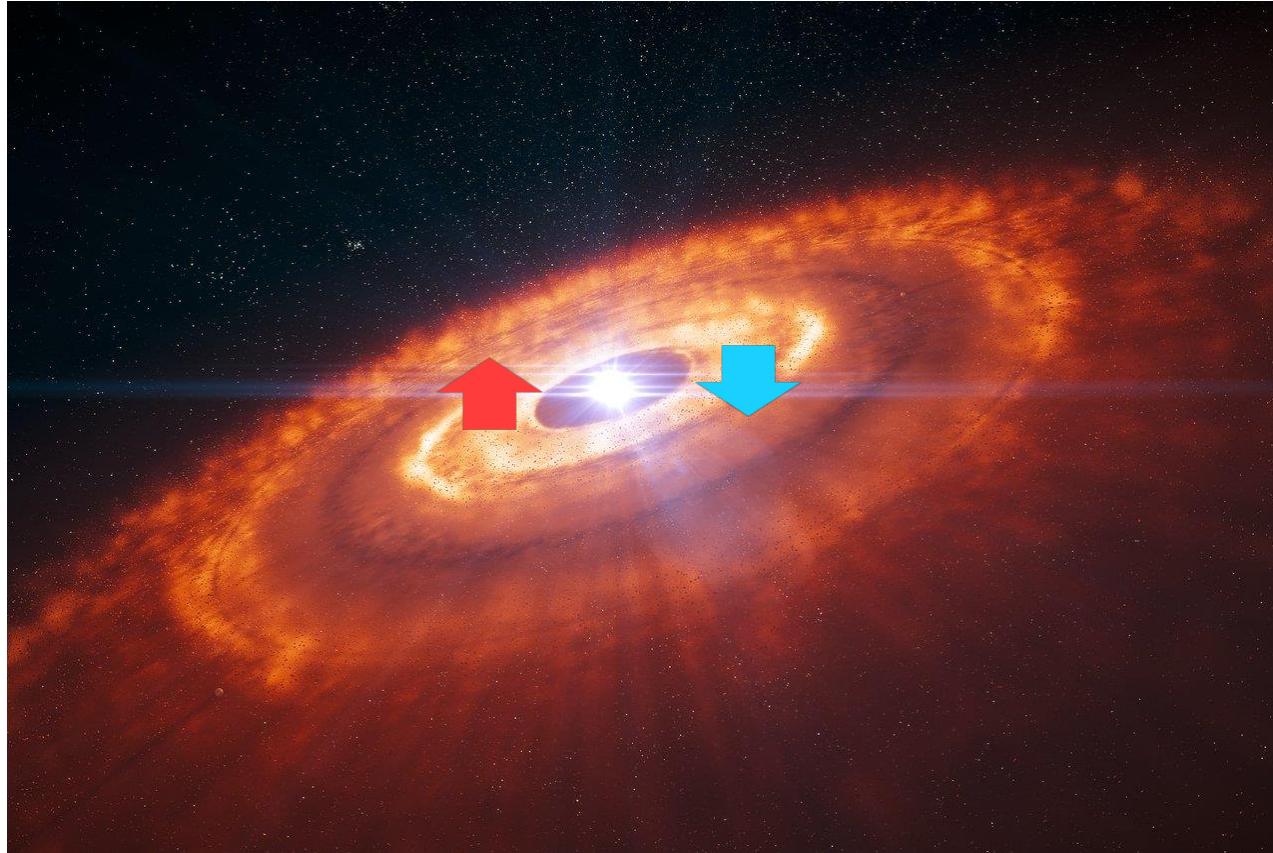
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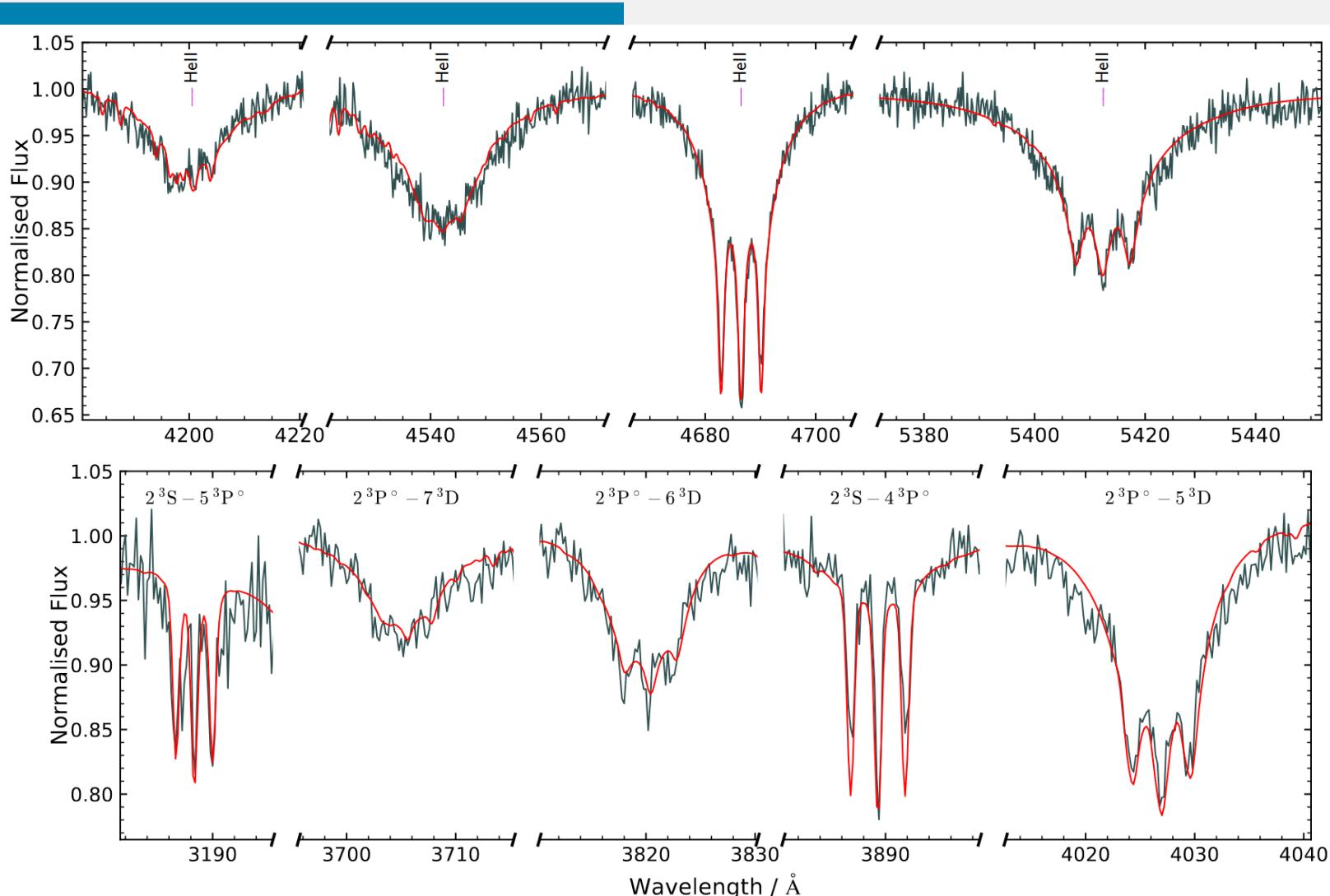


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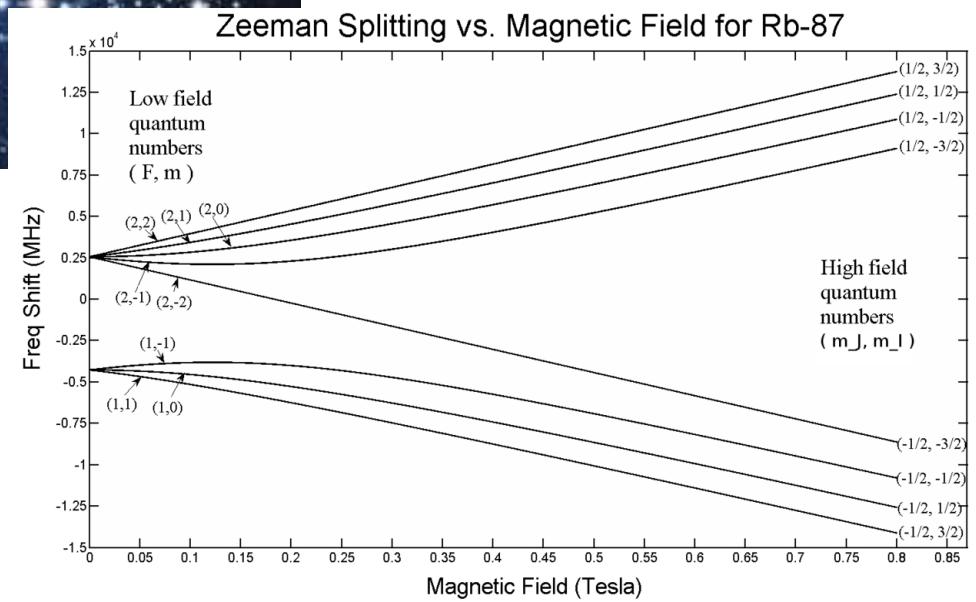
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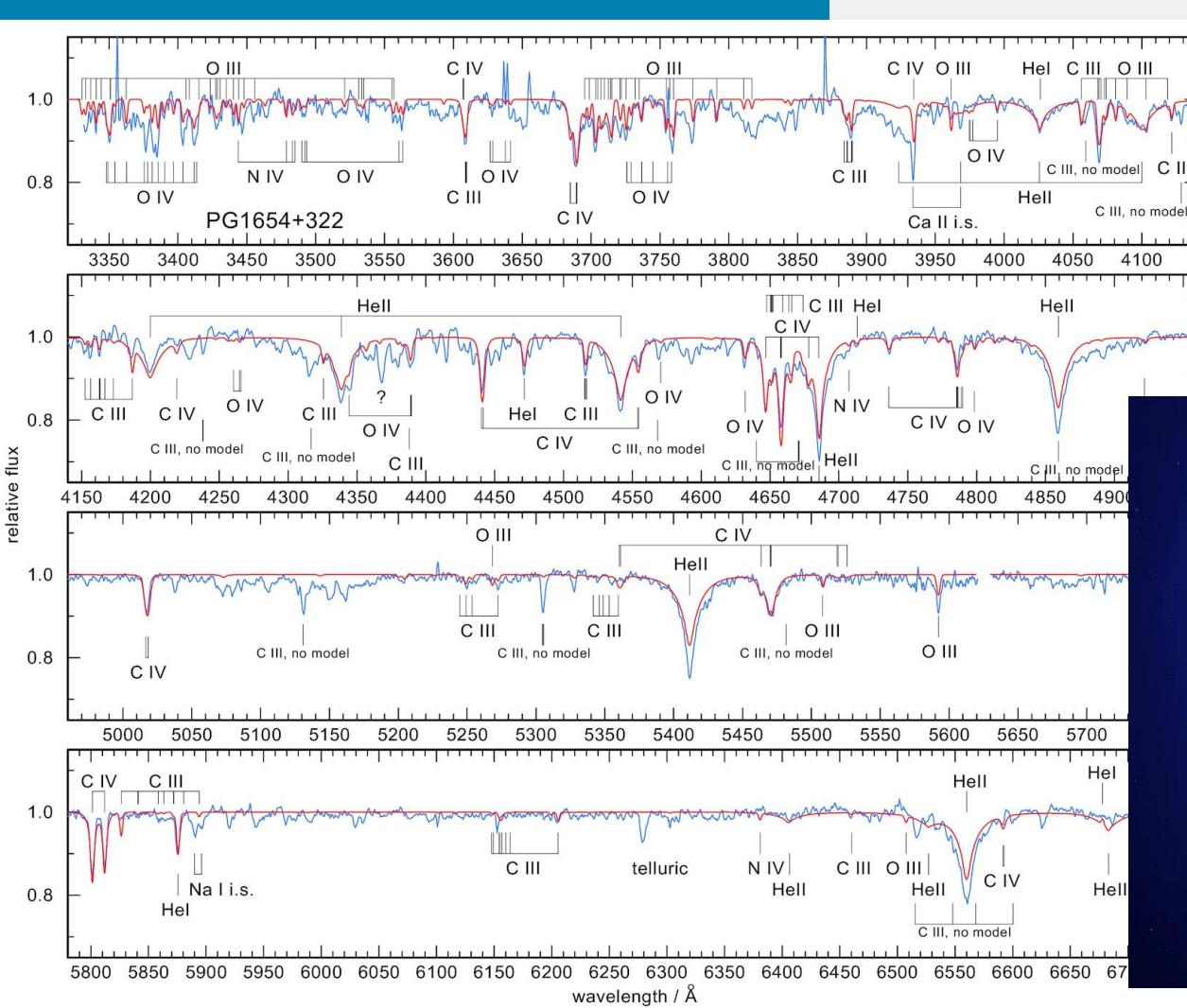
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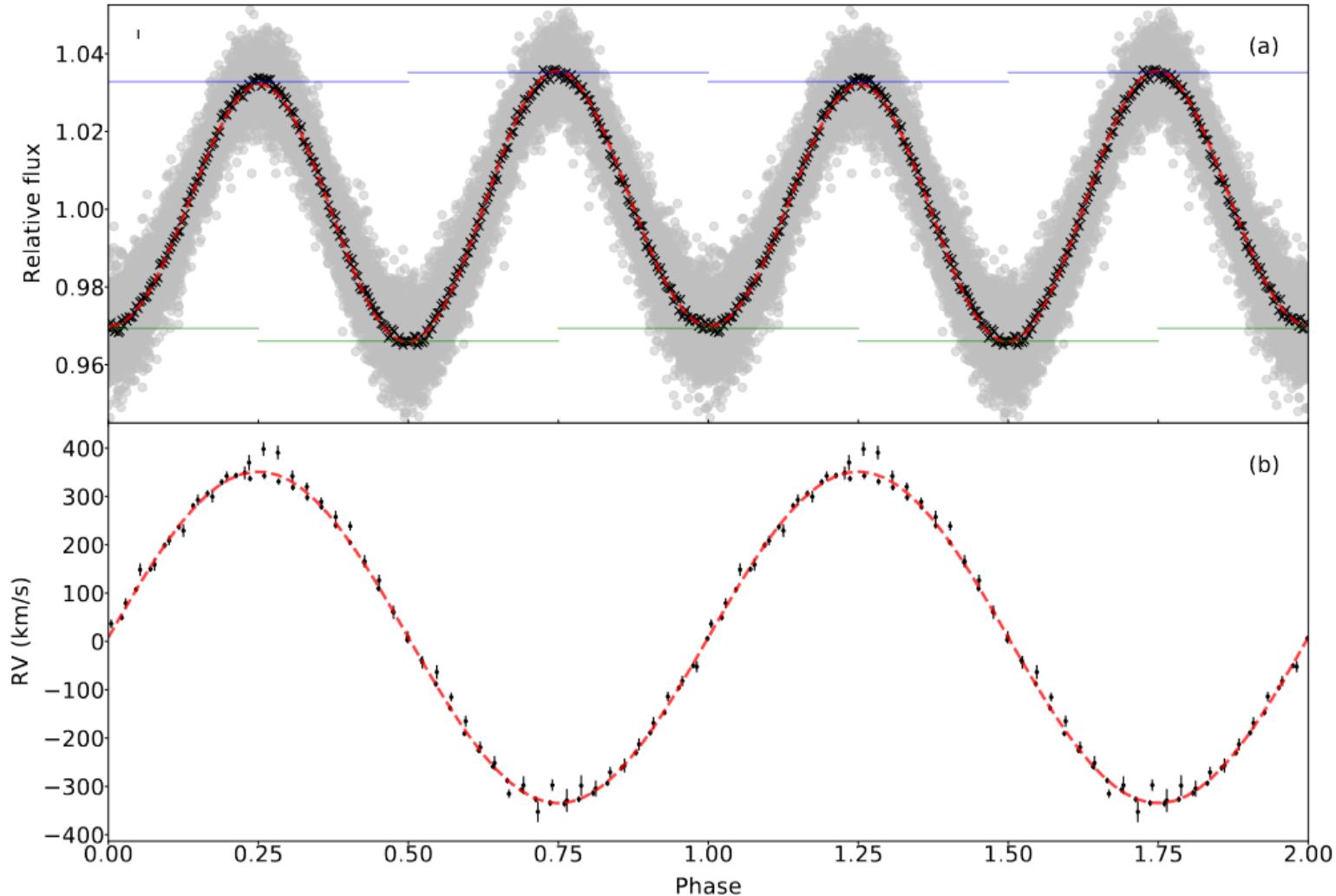
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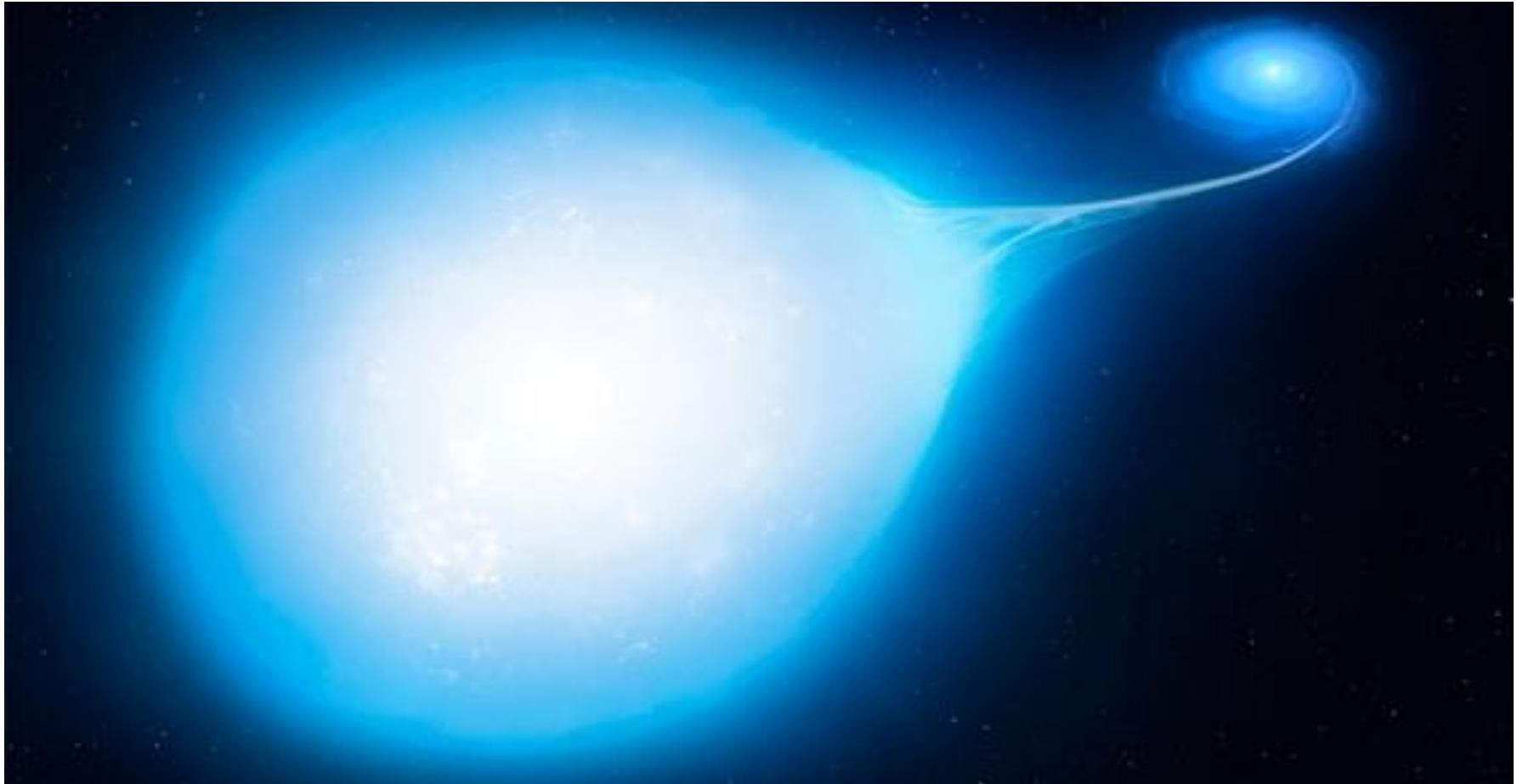
**Ashes of
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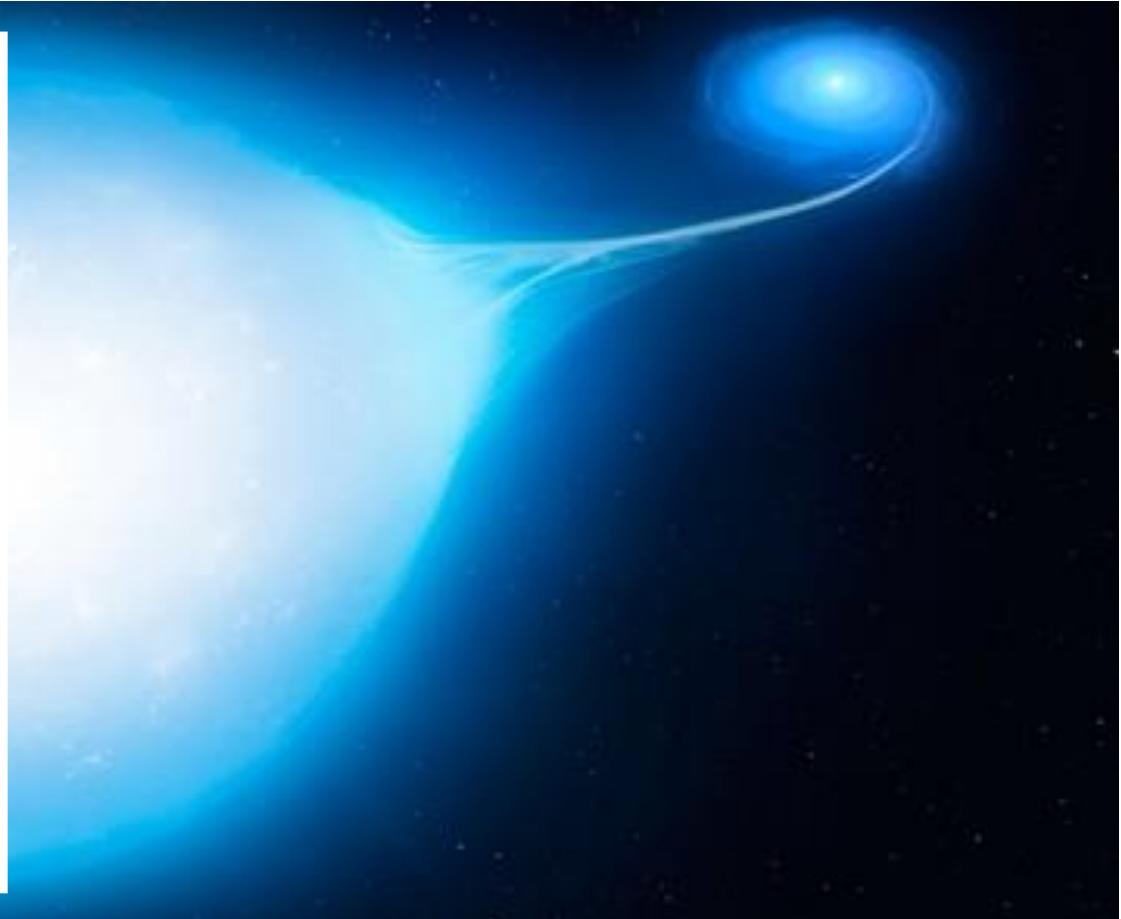
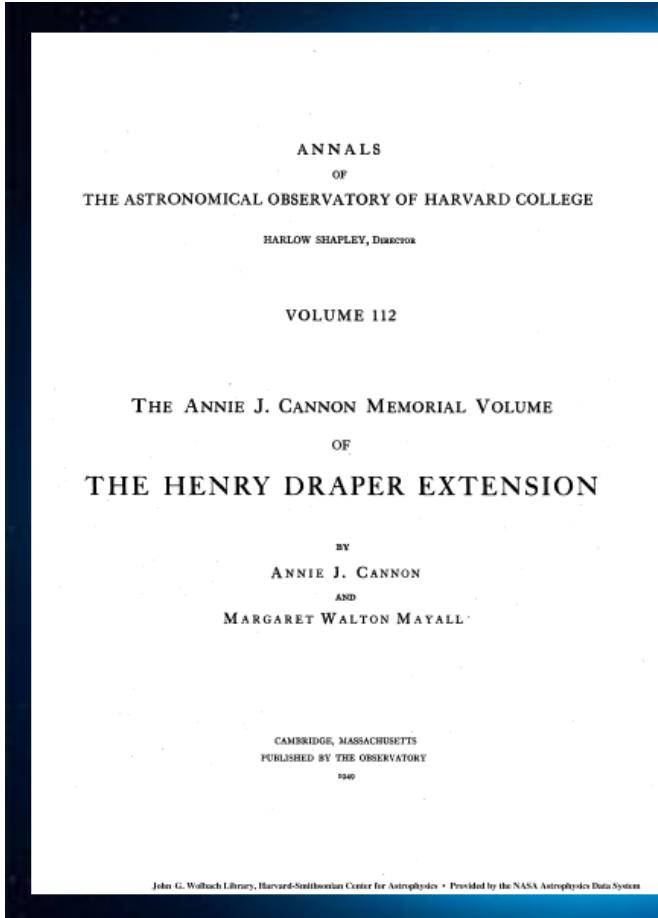
Supernova type Ia progenitors



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New type of binary system



The first massive compact companion in a wide orbit around a hot subdwarf star

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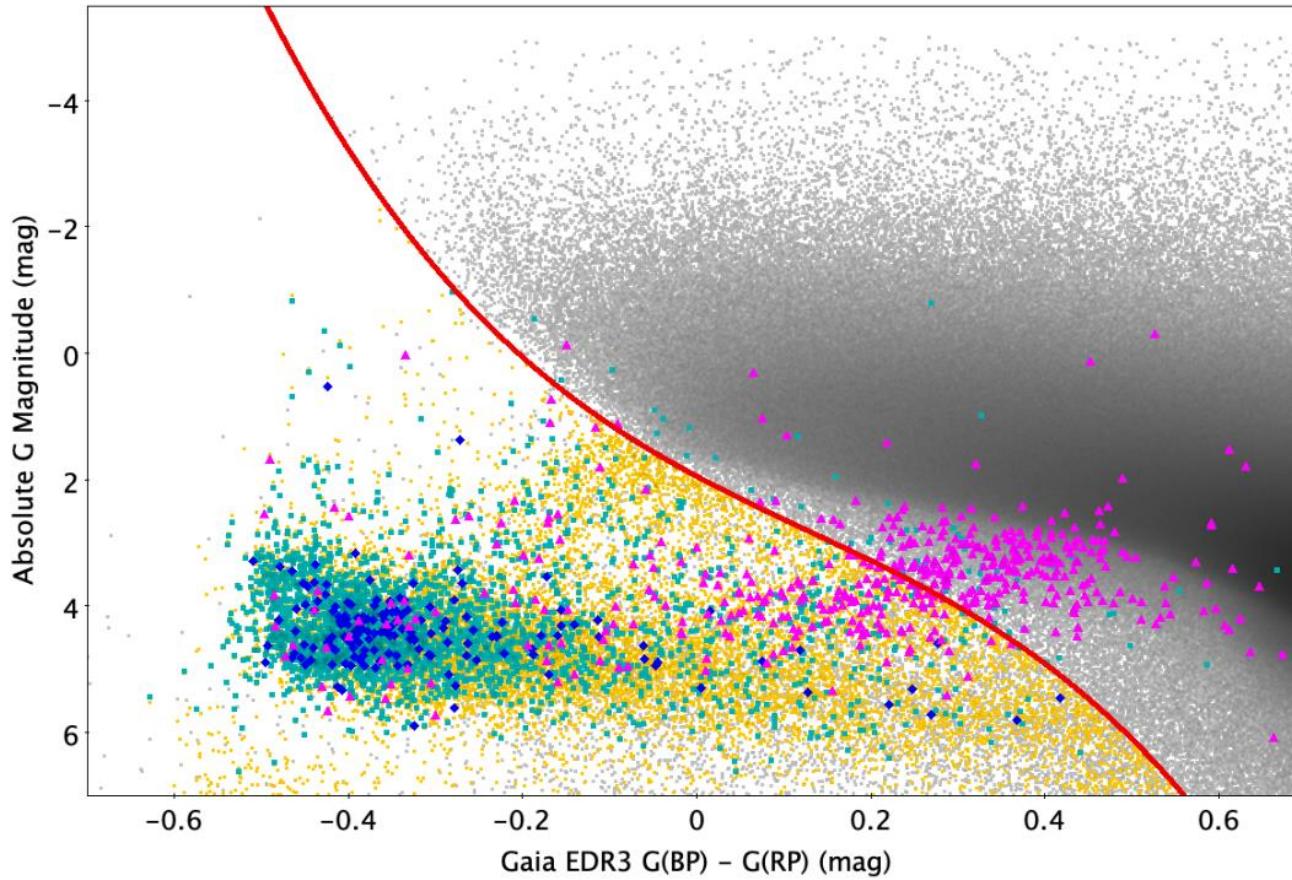
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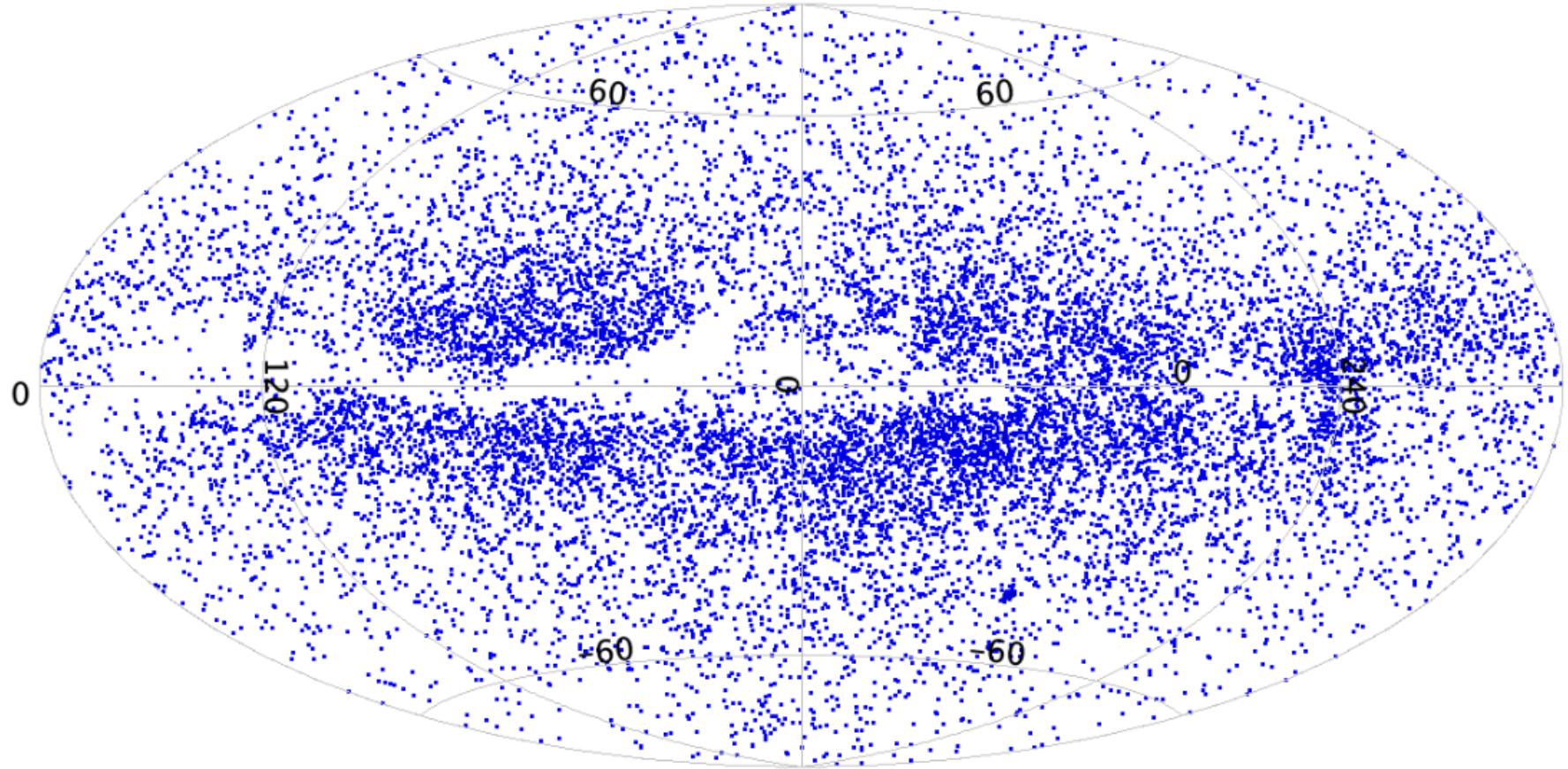
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UVEX and hot subluminous stars



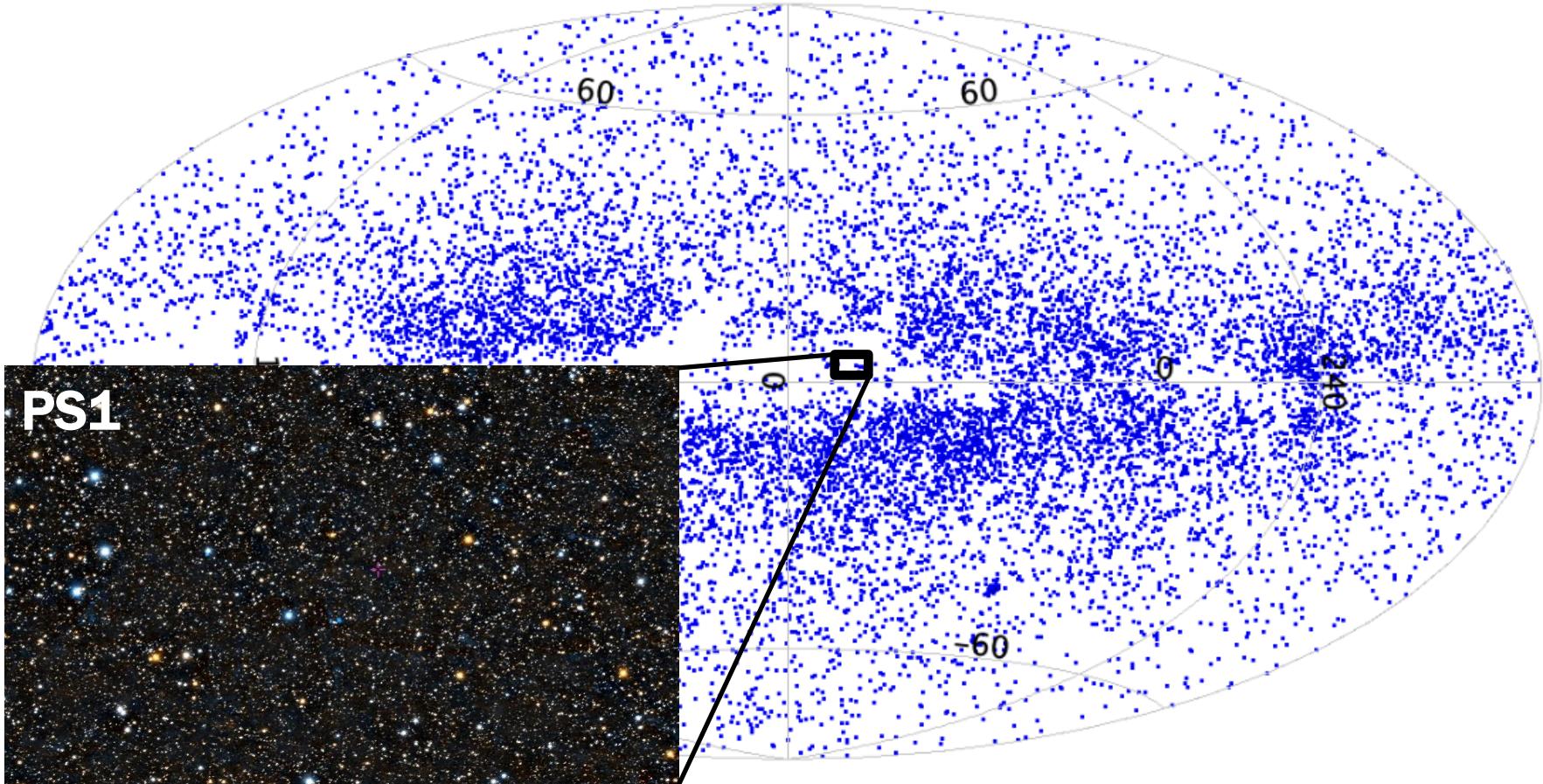
Target selection would benefit from UV-photometry

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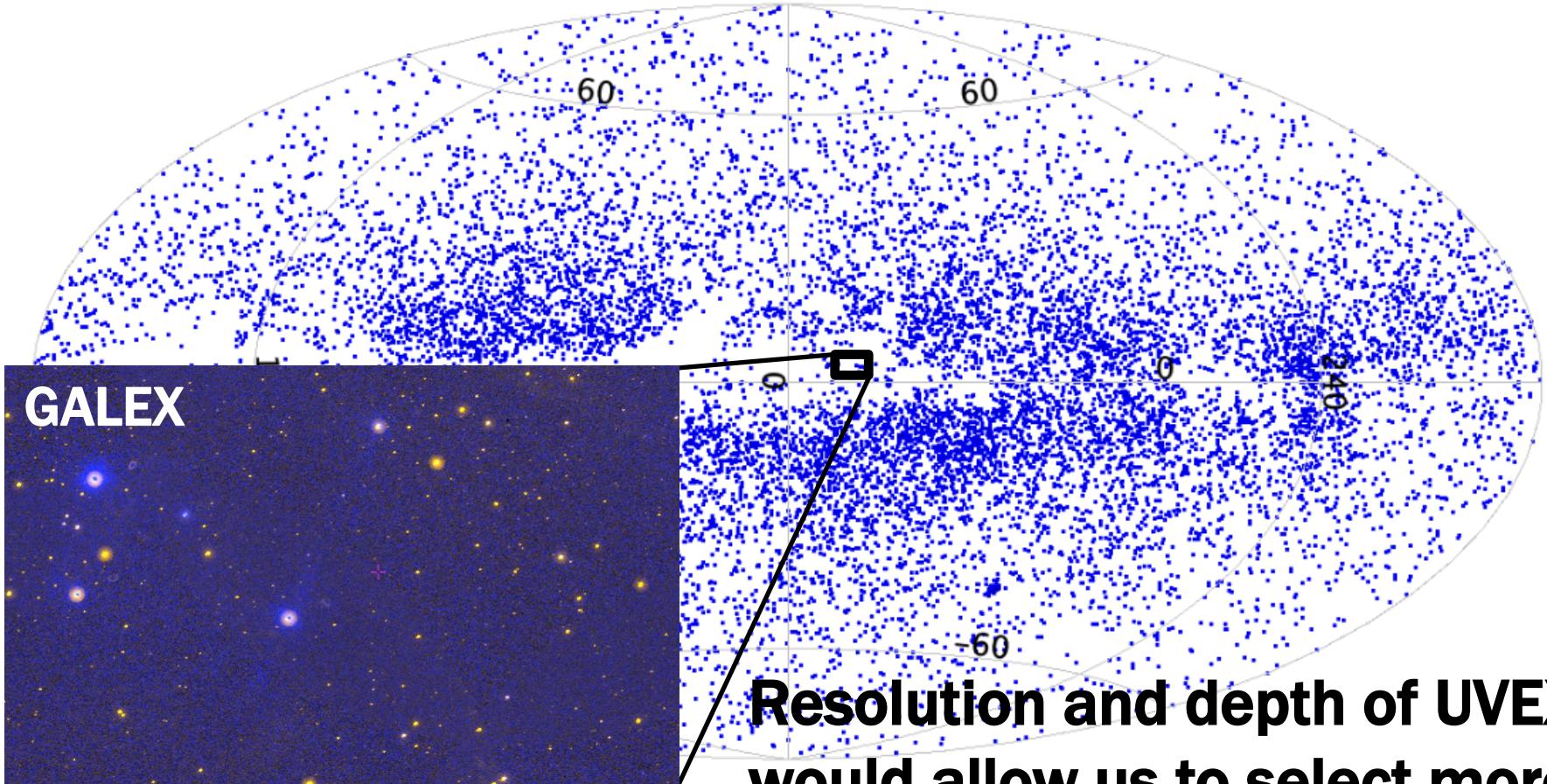
Gaia selection incomplete at low galactic latitudes

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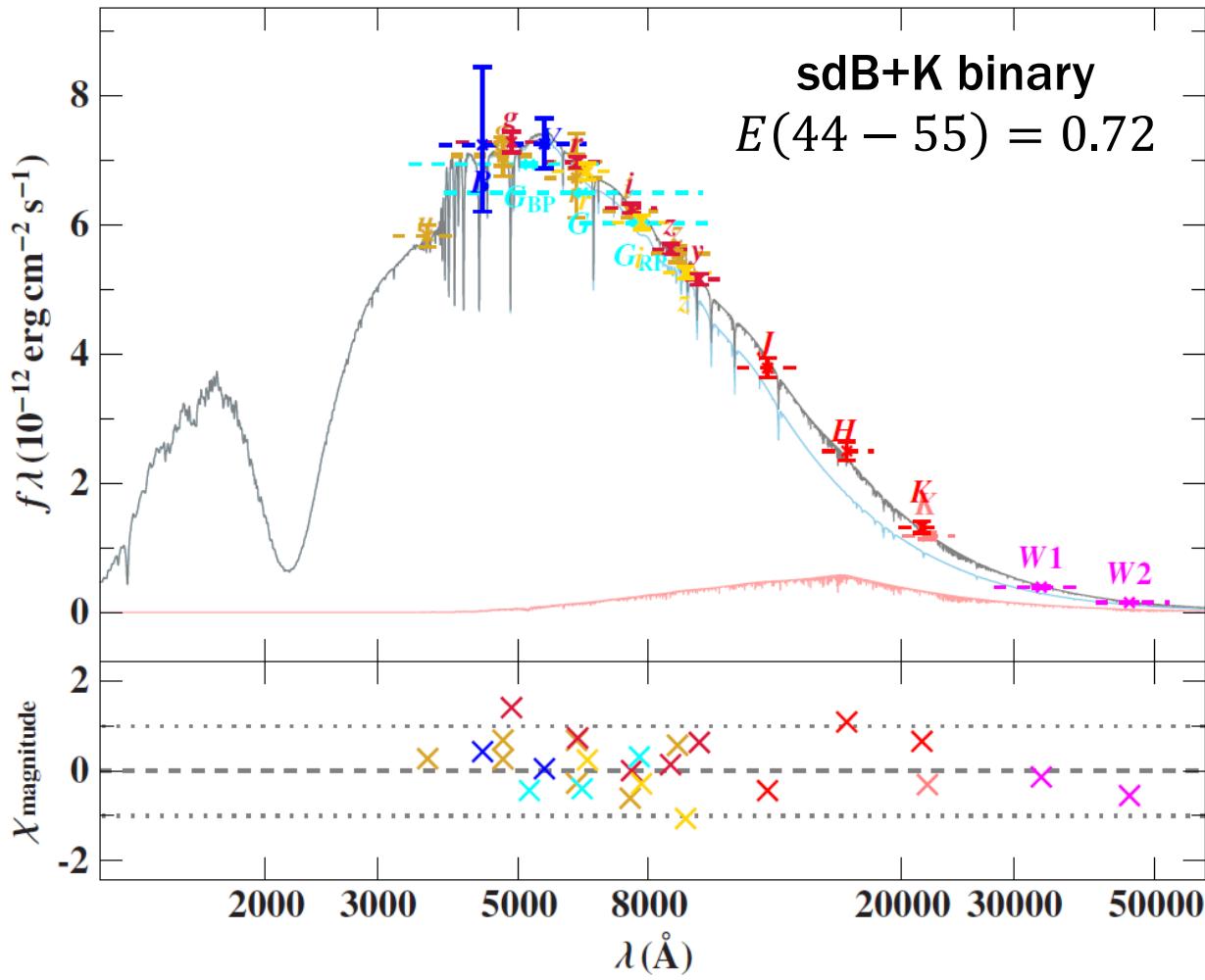
Crowding and reddening

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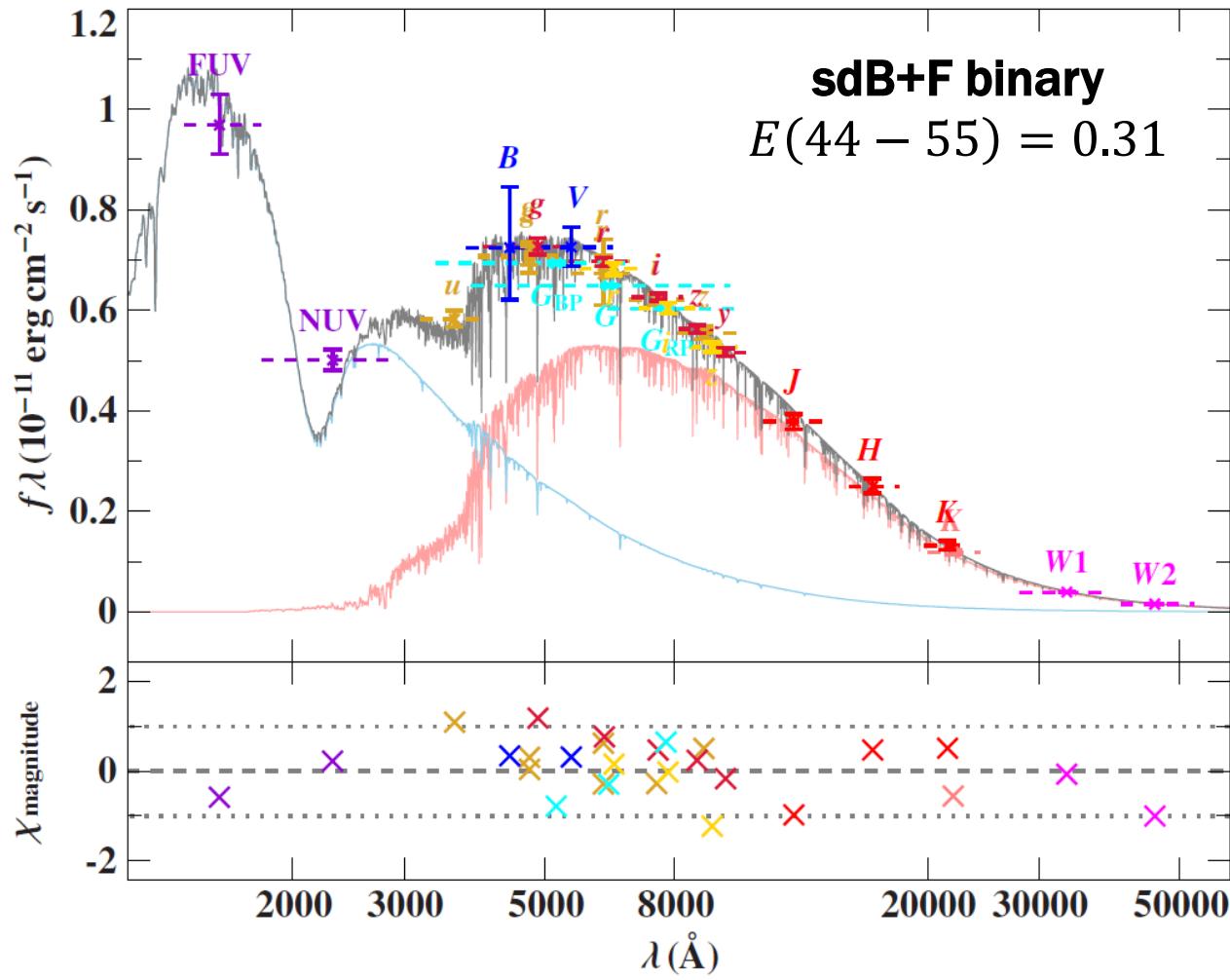
**Resolution and depth of UVEX
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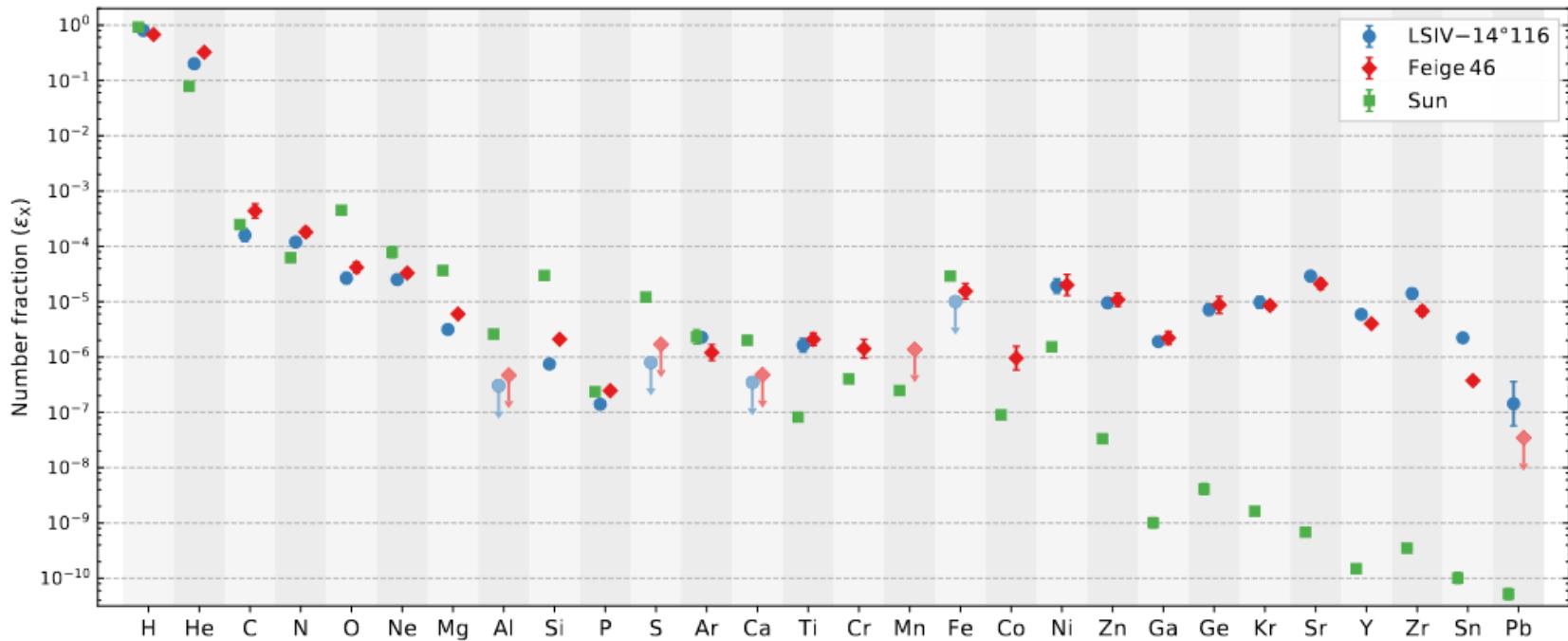
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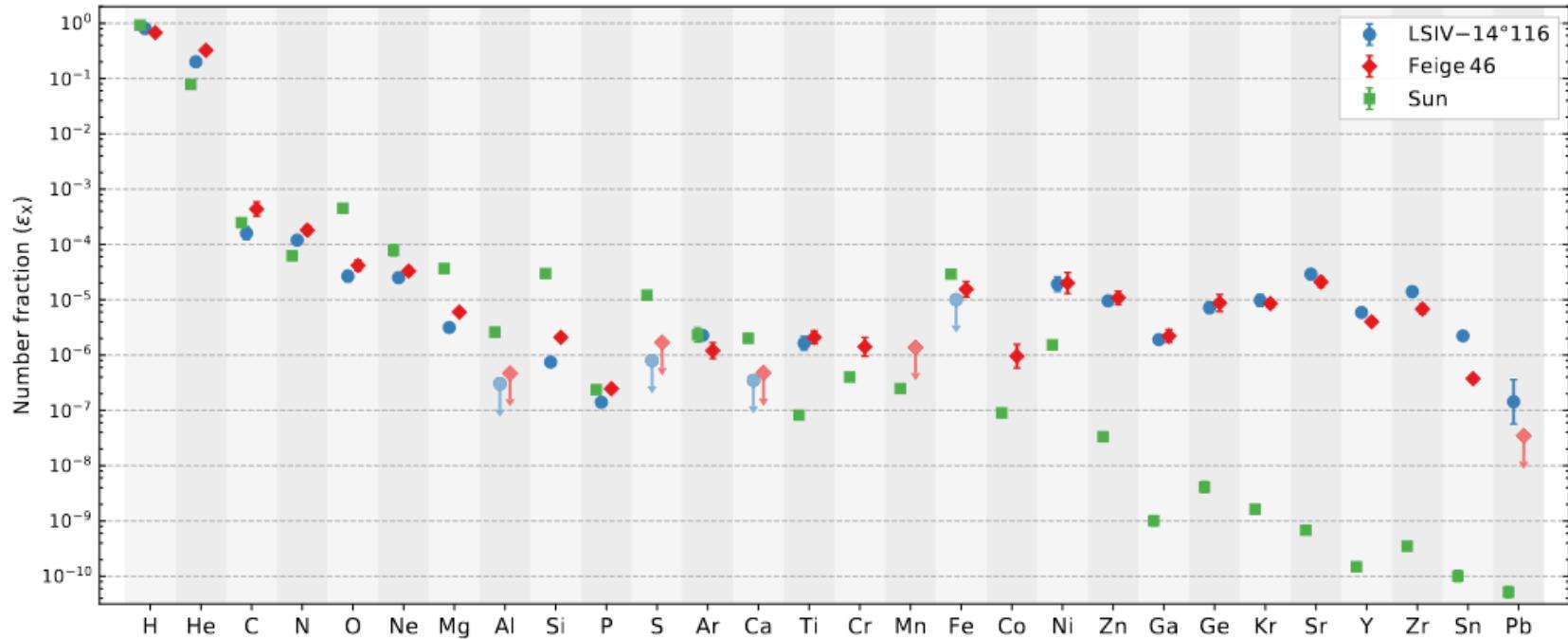
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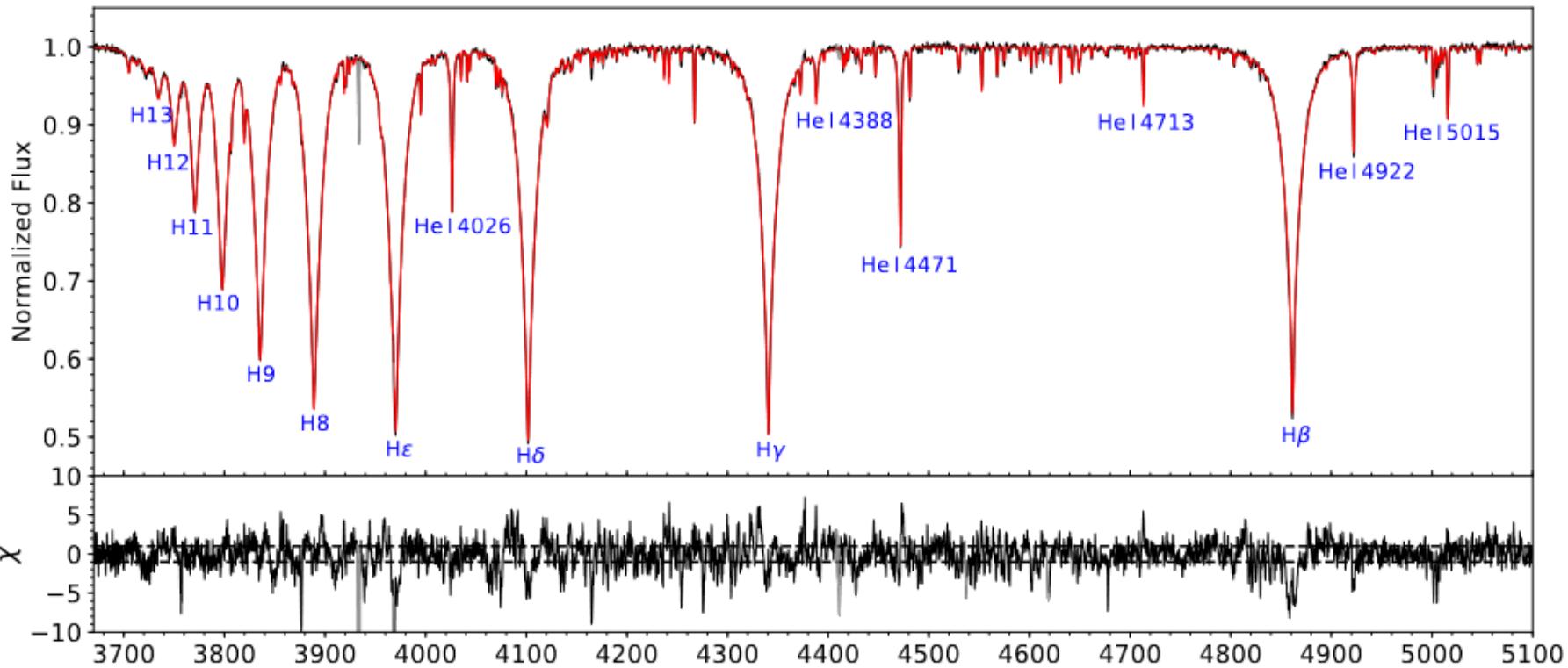
Hot subluminous stars often show peculiar abundance patterns (mixing of processed material, stripping, diffusion or pollution from mass transfer)

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Crucial tracers to understand
their formation and evolution

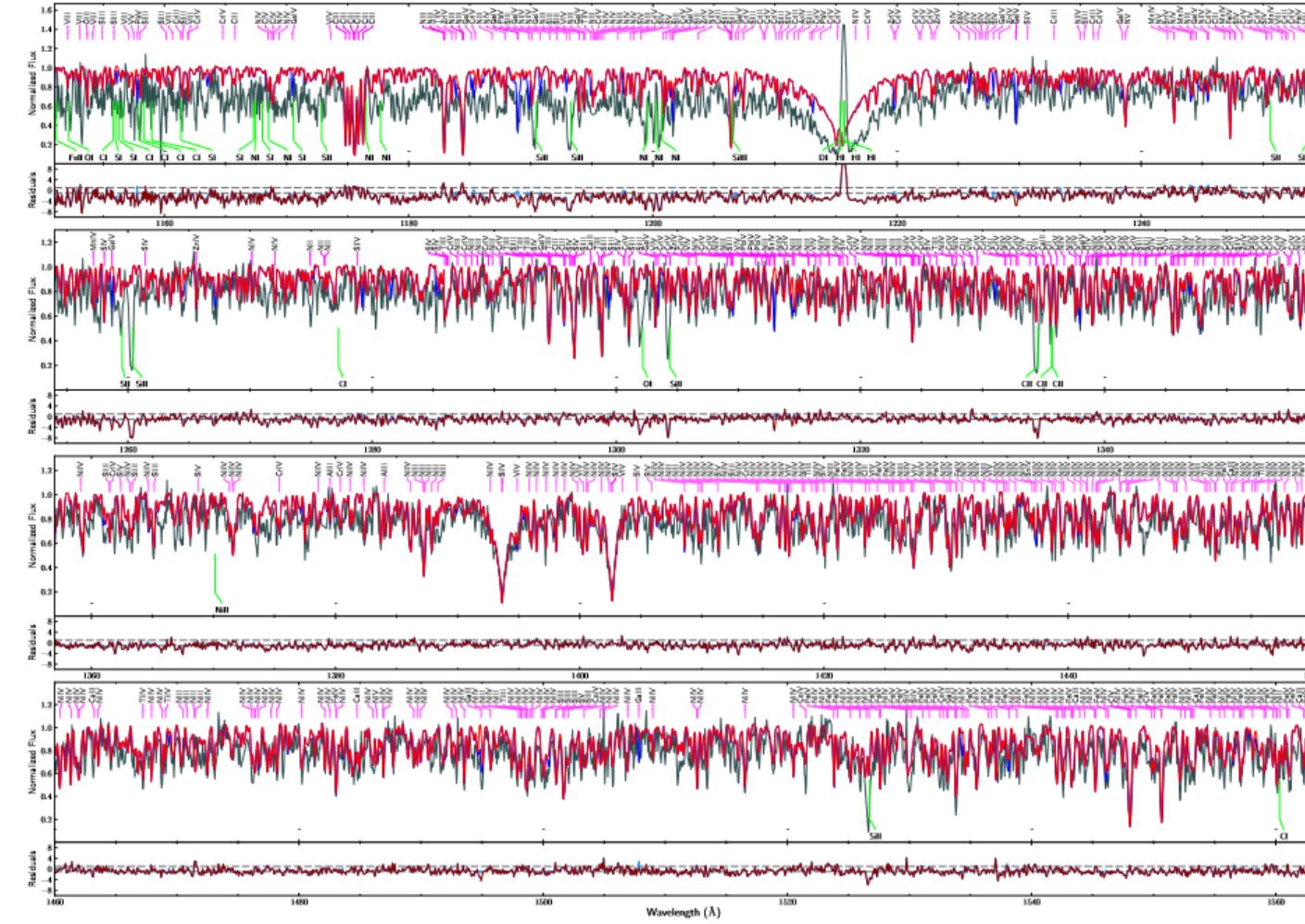
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Optical spectra often ill-suited to determine abundances and ionisation equilibria (temperatures) of heavy metals

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UV spectra
are essential

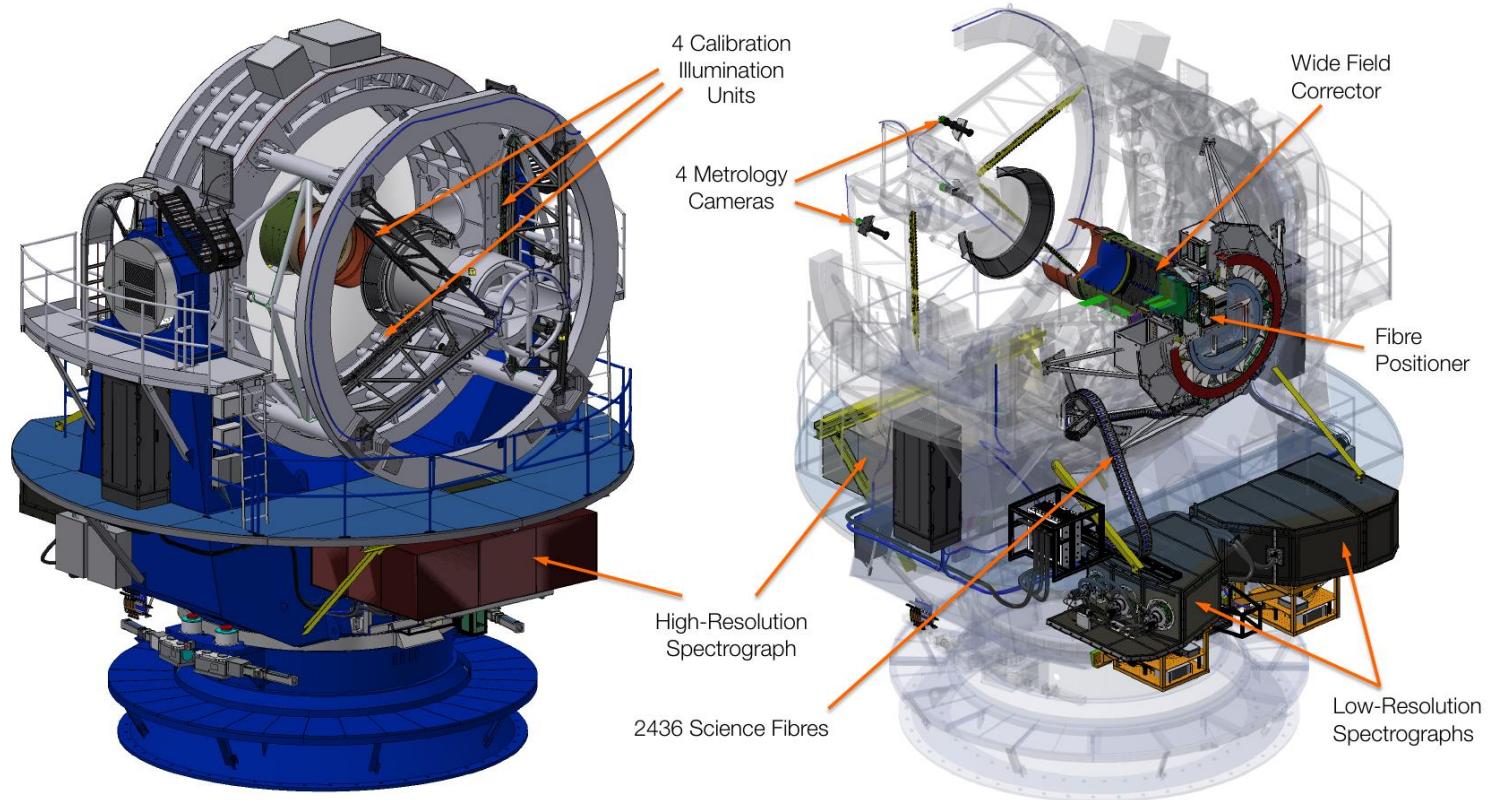


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UVEX spectra ($R \sim 1000$)

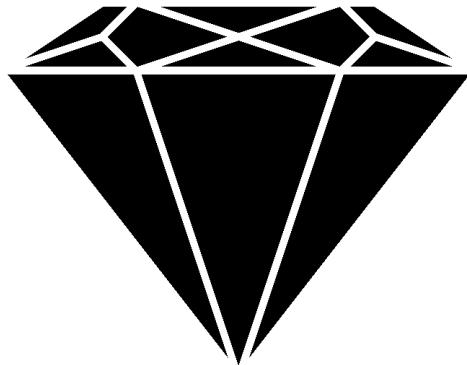
- “Metallicity” based on iron/nickel forest
- CIV emission features indicative of stellar winds
- Determination of reddening parameter (2175 Å bump)
- Well-calibrated extremely useful for SED analyses

UVEX synergies



4MOST HSD sub-survey (2024-2029)

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