



# RVS performances on rotational velocities

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# abstract

- rotational line broadening
- $R=11.500$ , RVS characteristics (Dec 2003)
- gaia simulator
- template synthetic spectra library
- no spectral mismatch assumed
- least square fit
- accuracy of  $v \sin i$

# brief reminder - why $v \sin i$ ?

- stellar structure, luminosity, evolution, life time etc.
- indicator of age
- mixing, peculiar stars, winds, spots
- binary systems
- presence of massive planets
- open clusters
- orientation of rotational axis - random?

# simulations

- single star
- Kurucz spectra → gaia simulator → spectra for single transit, mission average (102 transits)
- library of template spectra (various  $v \sin i$ )
- fit - least square method
- $N=1000$
- accuracy defined as: 
$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [v_{rot}^i (true) - v_{rot}^i (rec.)]^2$$

# effects included in gaia simulator

- spectra convolved to RVS resolution
- noise - photon, background noise (zodiacal light, faint background stars), detector noise
- pupil area, overall efficiency, exposure time etc.
- random offset in first pixel  $8480 \pm 0.5 \times 0.375 \text{ \AA} !$

# errors not included

- modeling uncertainties
- spectral mismatch
- crowding
- ....

# Stellar types and $v \sin i$

Stellar type	$v \sin i$ [km s <sup>-1</sup> ]
• K1 III [Fe/H]=0.0	5 km s <sup>-1</sup>
• G5 MS/TO	5 km s <sup>-1</sup>
• B5 MS	50, 150 km s <sup>-1</sup>
• K1 III [Fe/H]=-1.5	5 km s <sup>-1</sup>
• F5 MS/TO	20, 50 km s <sup>-1</sup>

# library step size

- "OLD" library - example,  $v \sin i = 5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ :

1-10  $\text{km s}^{-1}$        $\Delta = 1 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

10-20                       $\Delta = 5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

50 - 250                   $\Delta = 50 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

300 - 500                  $\Delta = 100 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

- "NEW" library- equidistant

K1 III, G5: 1-100  $\text{km s}^{-1}$  :  $\Delta = 1 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

F5:                      0-300  $\text{km s}^{-1}$  :  $\Delta = 2 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

B5:                      0-500  $\text{km s}^{-1}$  :  $\Delta = 5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

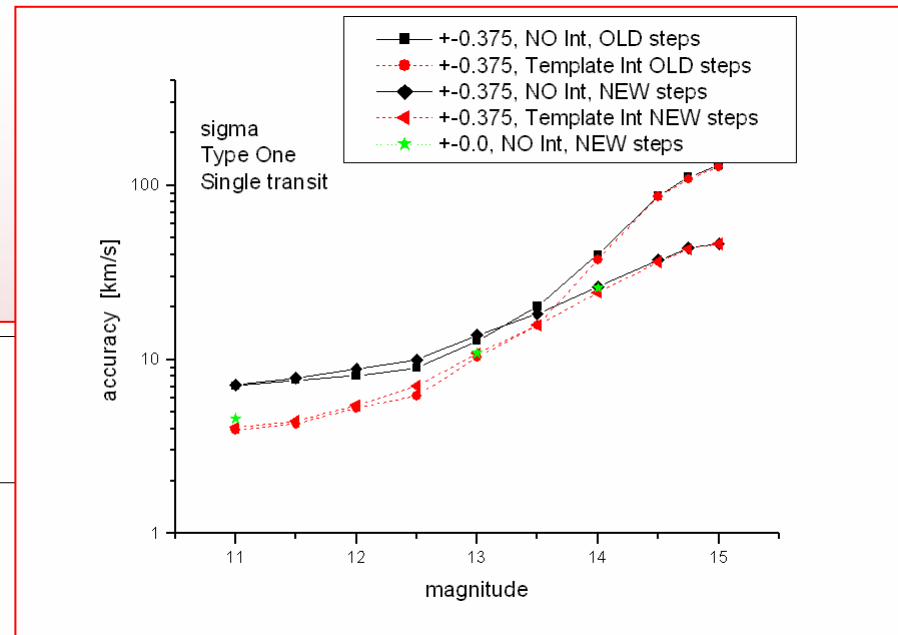
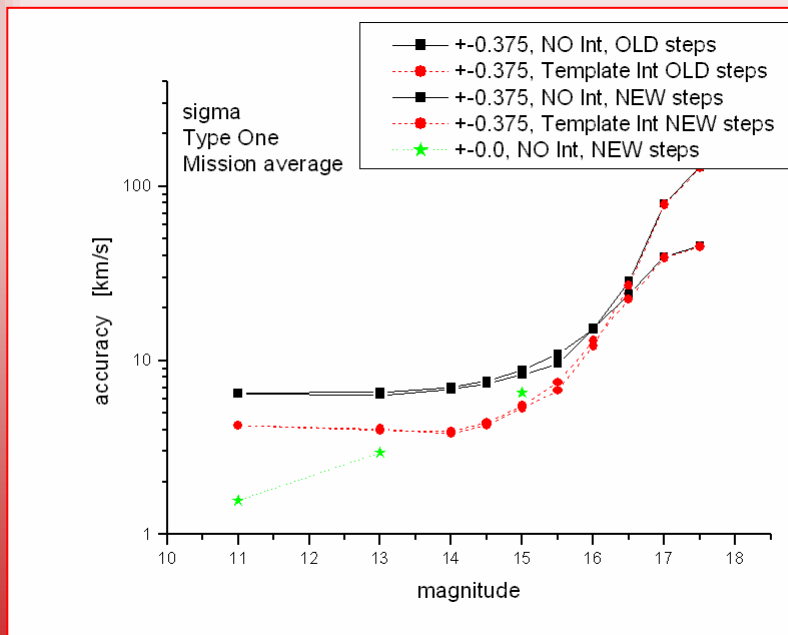


random offset  $\lambda$ :  $\pm 0.5 * 0.375 \text{ \AA}$

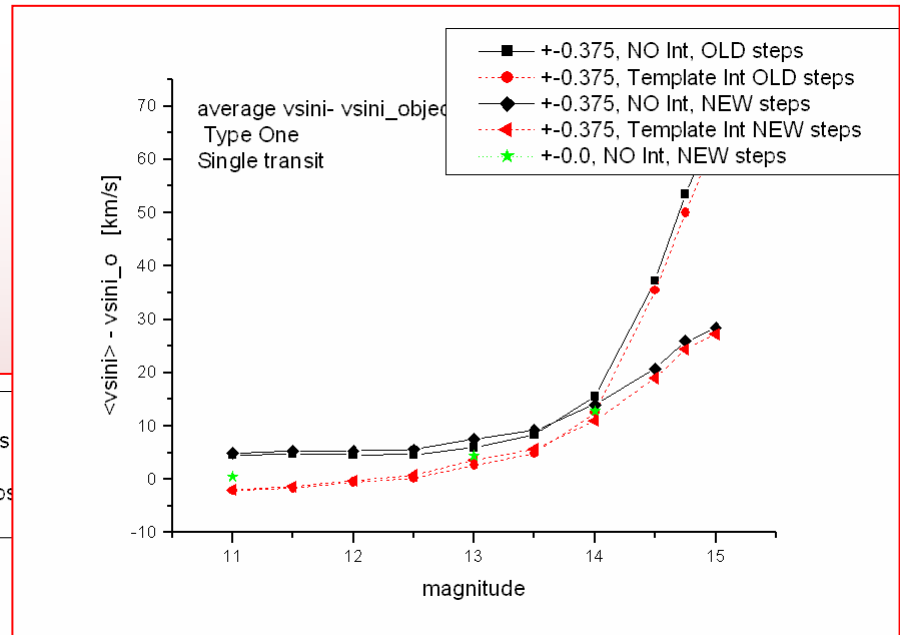
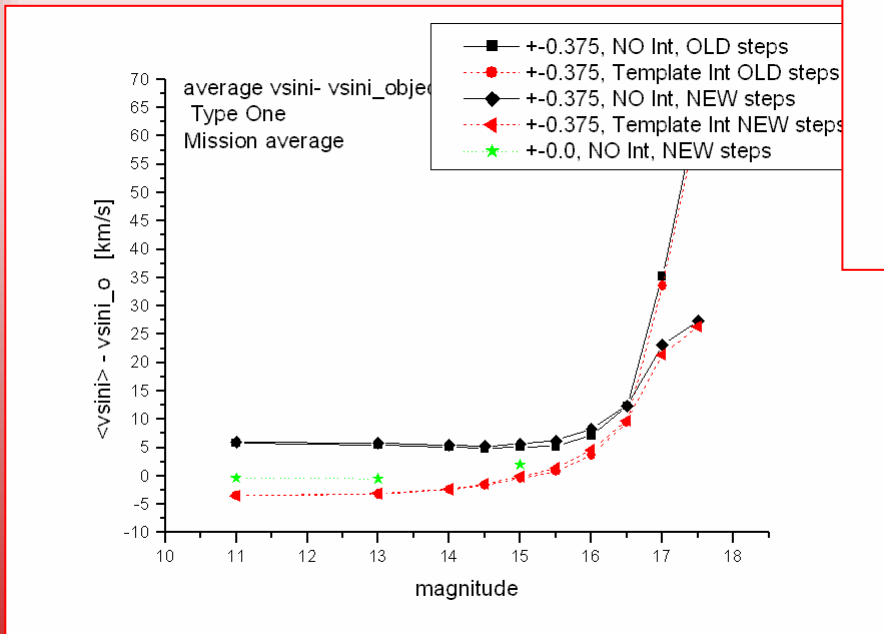
- linear interpolation - broadens lines
- l.i. on simulated spectra - higher  $v \text{ sini}$  (noise!)
- l.i. on template spectra - lower  $v \text{ sini}$

# tests with offset $\lambda = 0$ , step size in library - accuracy

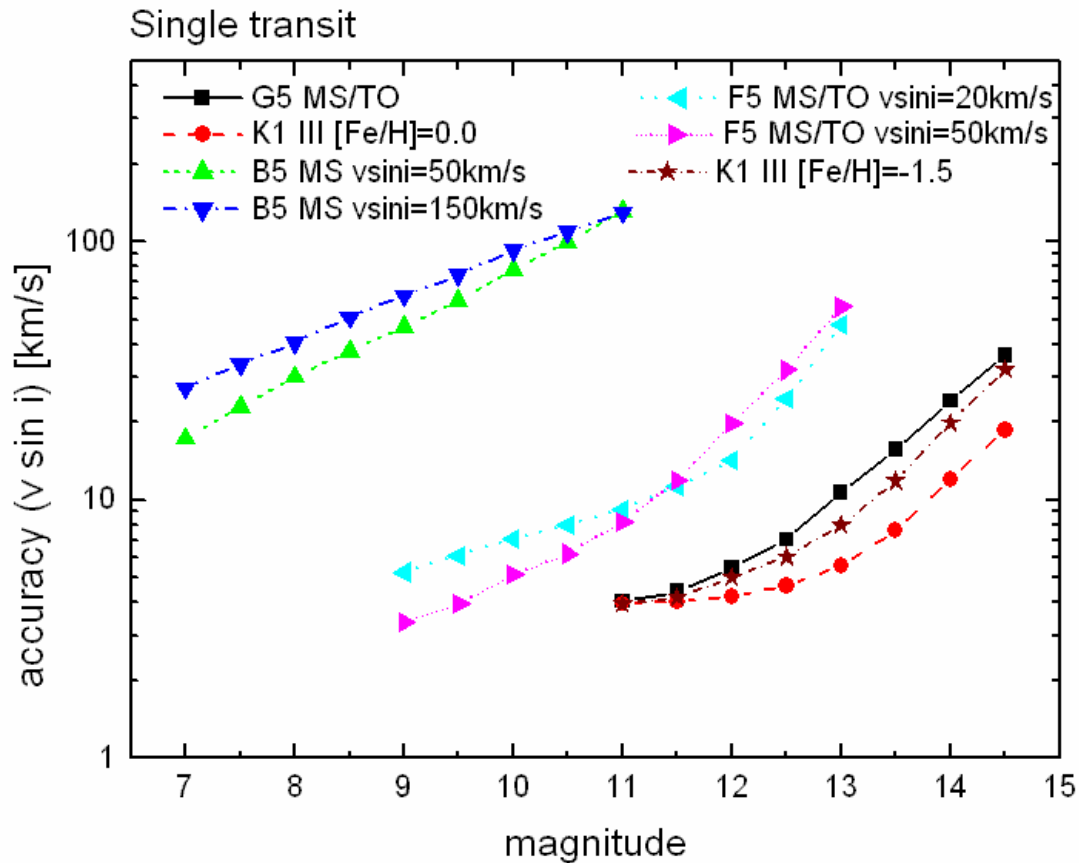
- example K1 III



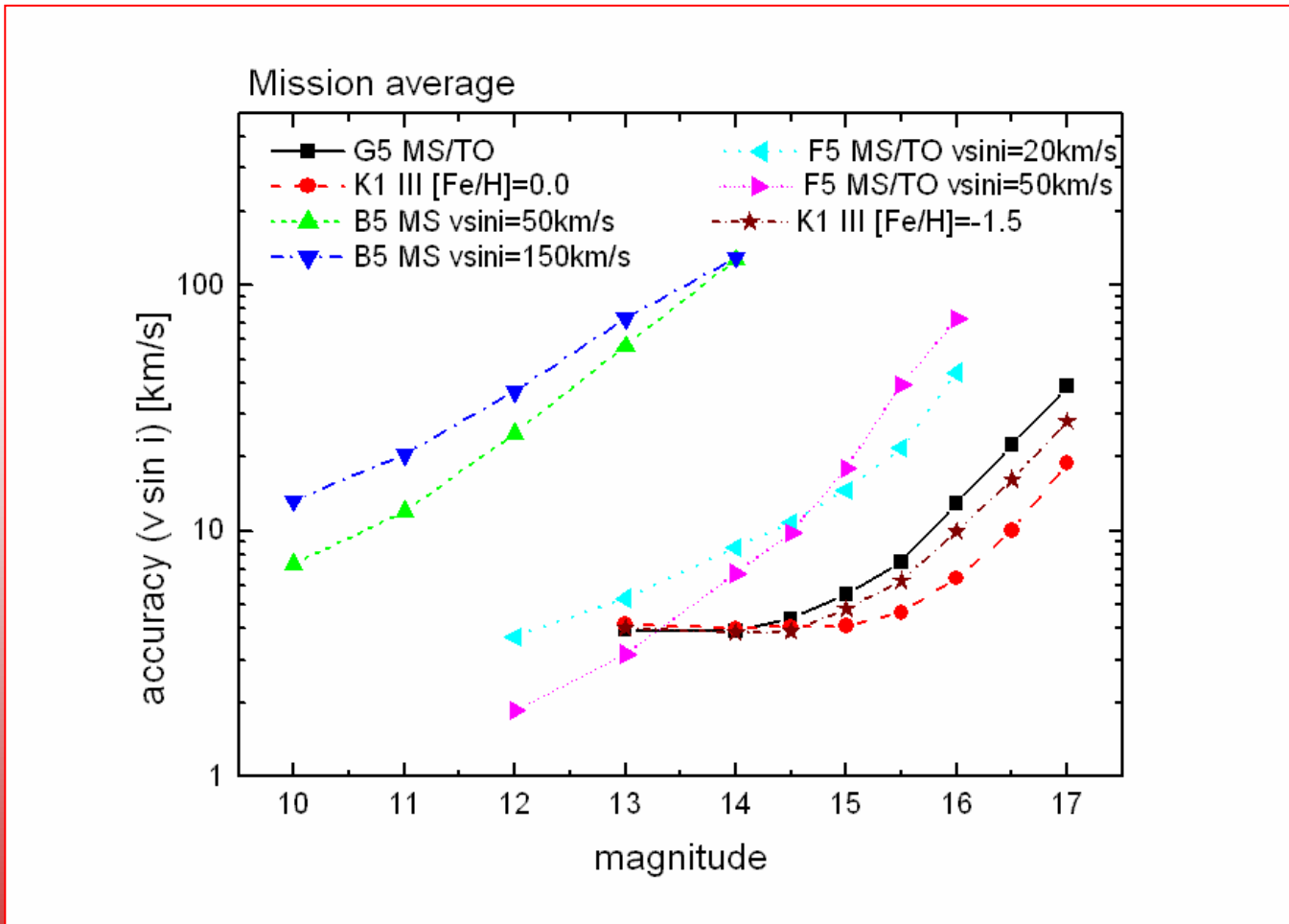
# $\langle vsini \rangle - vsini\_orig$



# performances - single transit



# performances - mission average



# results and biases

- late types ( $5 \text{ kms}^{-1}$ )  
 $\sigma_{v \sin i} \sim 5 \text{ kms}^{-1}$  up to  $V \sim 12$  (single) and 15 (mission)
- F5 MS/TO ( $20, 50 \text{ kms}^{-1}$ )  
 $10\text{-}20 \text{ kms}^{-1}$  up to  $V \sim 12$  (single) and 15 (mission)
- B5 MS/TO ( $50, 150 \text{ kms}^{-1}$ )  
 $10\text{-}20 \text{ kms}^{-1}$  up to  $V \sim 7\text{-}8$ (single) and 10-11 (mission)
- bias:  $\sim$  few  $\text{kms}^{-1}$  for bright magnitudes

# possible improvements and future work

- different methods - correlation peak... spots?
- random  $\lambda$  shift - smarter method than l.i.?
- spectral mismatch  
(0.5 in  $\log g$ ; 125 K in T; 0.1 dex in met.; few  $\text{kms}^{-1}$  in  $v_{\text{rad}}$  )
- tests on observational spectra

suggestions?

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