

# Methods to measure exoplanet phase curves, and absolute masses.



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## Why do we do this?

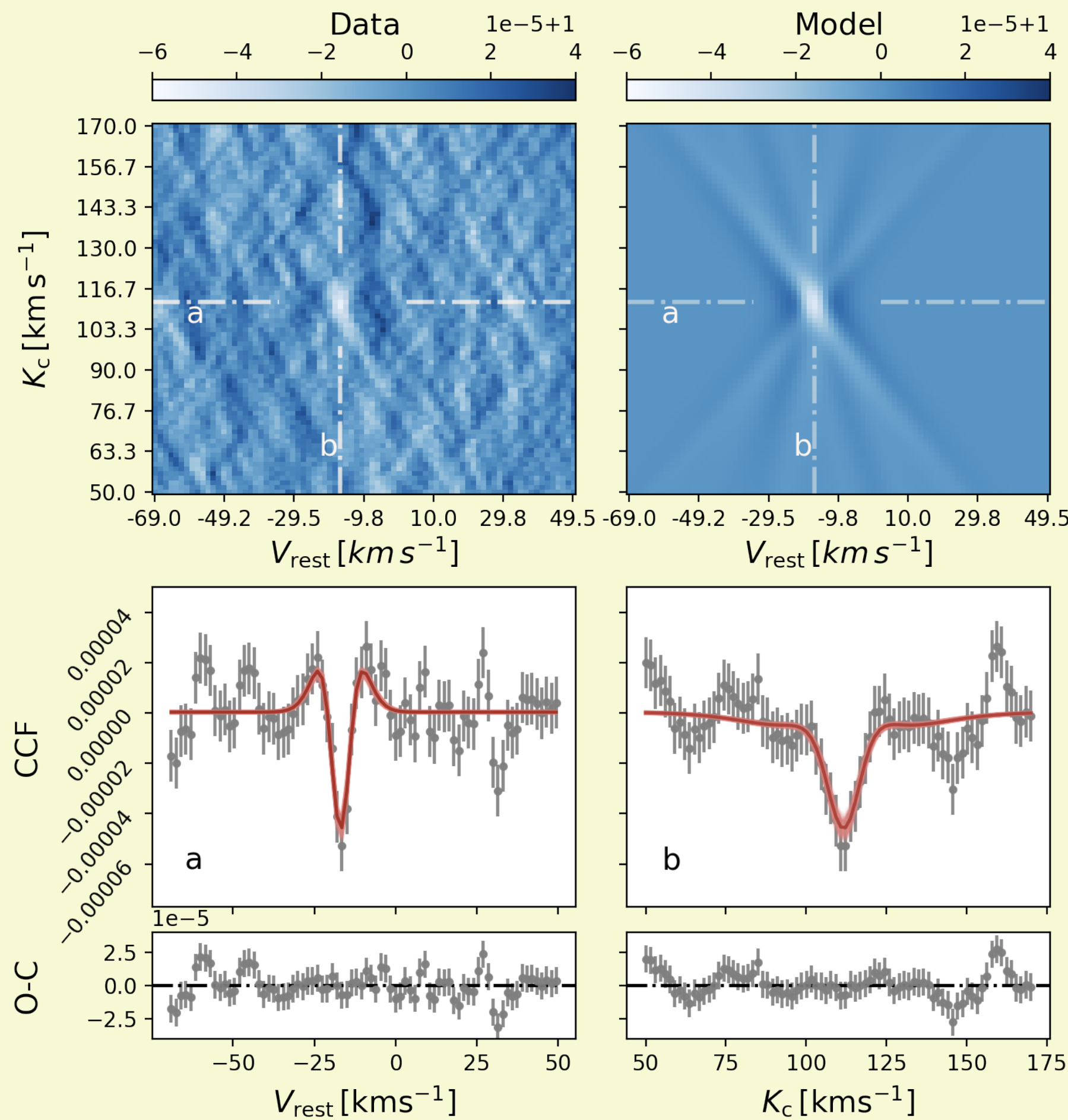
High-resolution cross-correlation techniques are standard tools to detect atmospheres of hot and ultra-hot Exoplanets.

- **high signal-to-noise data** allow tests of exoplanet model atmospheres including winds and spatial distribution of molecules.
- Allow tracing of species over several parts of the **planetary orbit**.
- We develop **Saltire** to
  - Model the 2D shape of the Cross-correlation signal of such observations,
  - Model exoplanet observations, and
  - model phase-dependent atmospheric signals.
- We measure precise Masses of **high-contrast binaries**,
  - define conditions for high-SNR **Exoplanet phase curve** observations

## Applications

### Modelling exoplanet CCF signals Sebastian et al. 2024a.

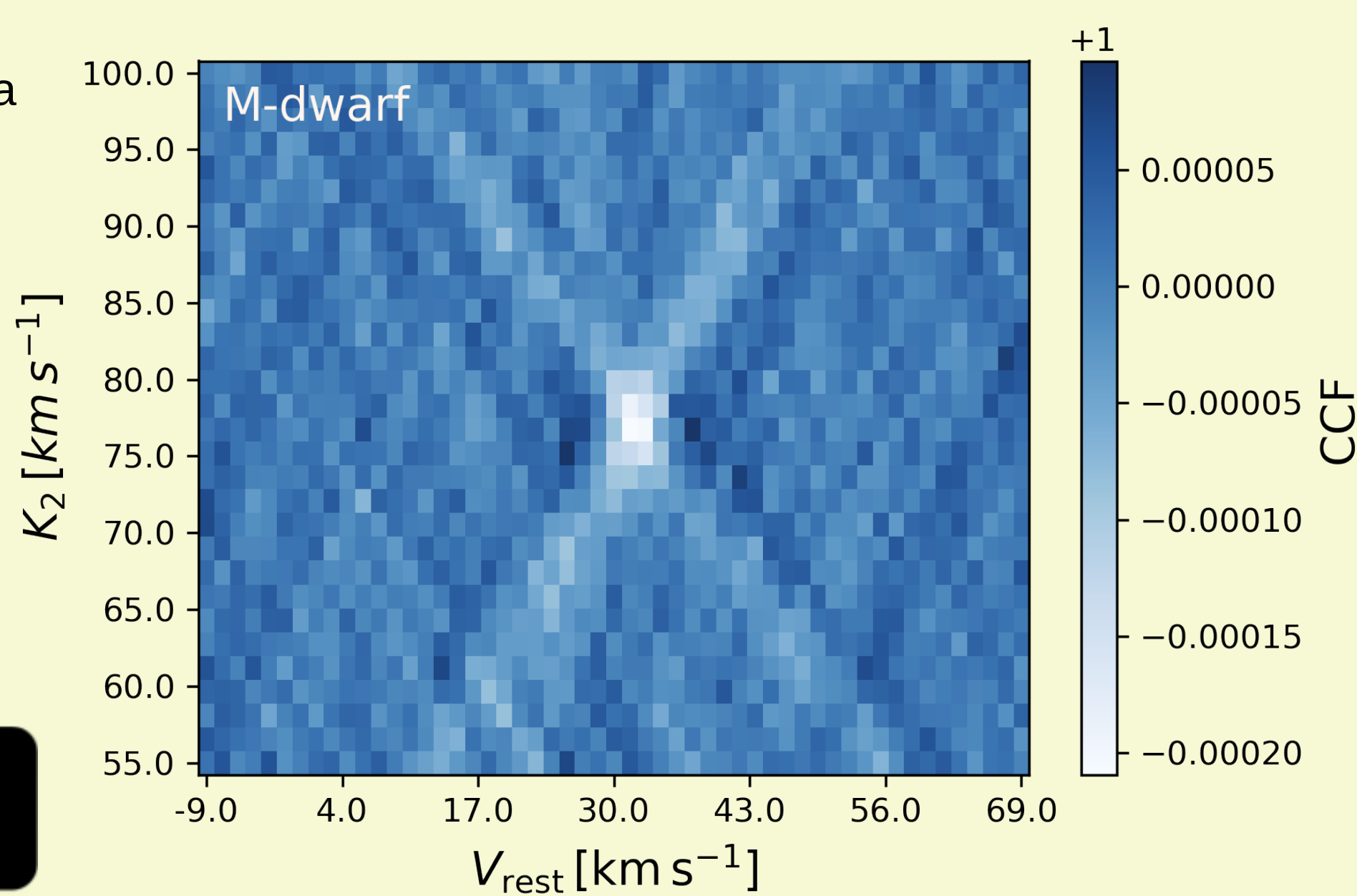
- **Saltire model**
- Predict phase-dependent CCF shape in  $K_c$ - $V_{sys}$  plane
- We model the CO detection in  $\tau$  Boötis b using CRIRES data from Brogi et al. 2012
- Full 2D CCF shape of CO detection is recovered.



**Figure 1**  
Left: The CCF map of  $\tau$  Boötis b. Right: Saltire model map of the same observation. Lower panels: Comparison of data and best fitting model.

### Dynamical masses of TOI-1338 Sebastian et al. 2024b.

- First time, application to a **high-contrast binary**.
- **Dynamical** (model independent) masses of TOI-1338/BEBOP-1
- **Mass accuracy:**
  - 2% for the primary
  - 1% for the secondary



**Figure 2**  
The process to derive a CCF map in the  $K_c$ - $V_{sys}$  plane (**K-focusing**). Secondary's CCFs align at best matching orbit (best  $K_c$ ) Saltire model takes K-focusing process into account.

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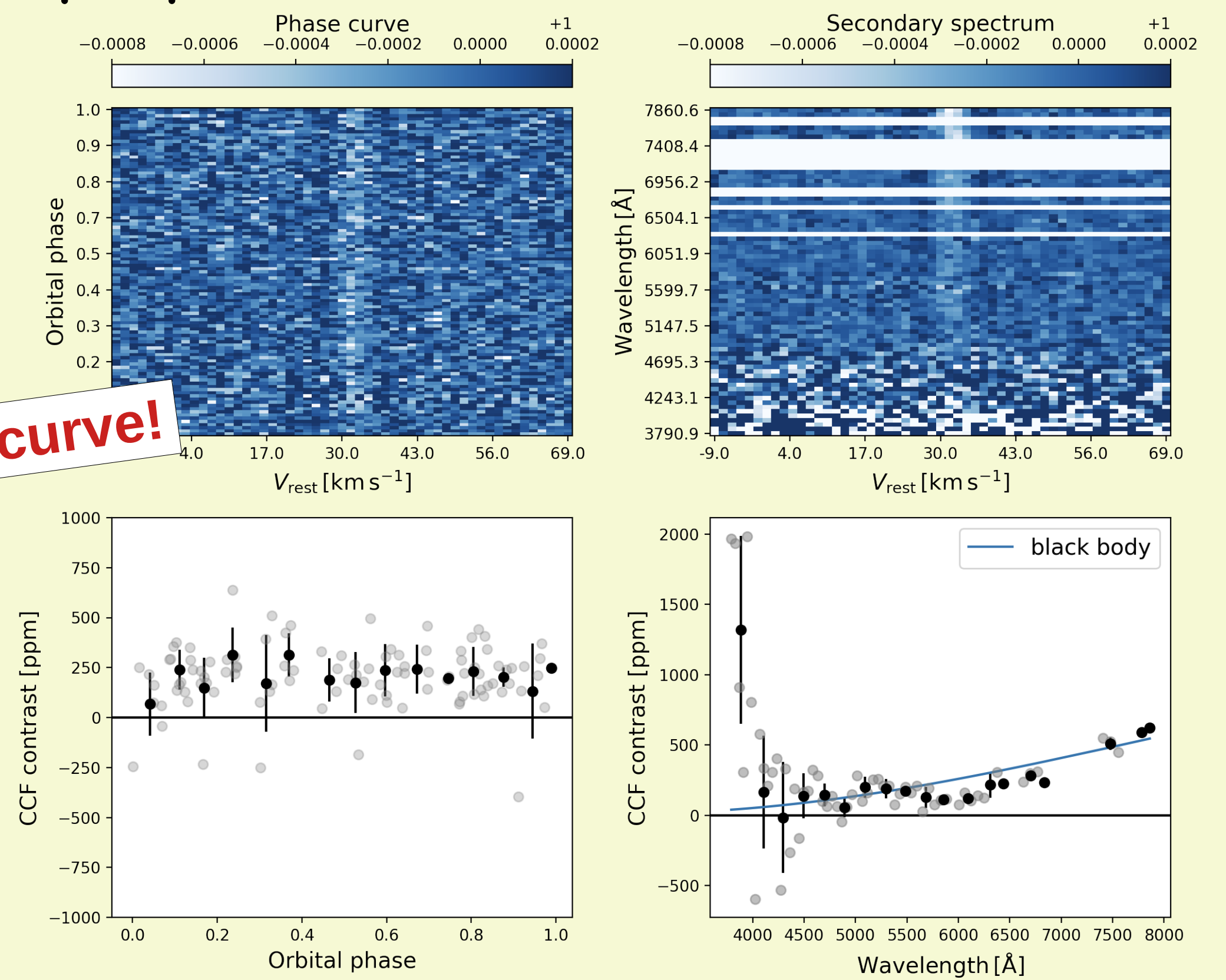
## Highlights

### Detecting a spectroscopic phase curve

**Figure 3**

The CCF signal is clearly recovered in the Secondary's rest frame. Left: phase dependent CCF signal showing a flat phase curve, Right: wavelength dependent CCF signal matching the black body spectra of both stars.

Phase curve!



- Spectroscopic phase curve measured for TOI-1338 B
- **No phase-dependent degradation** from Primary Component Analysis (**PCA**)!

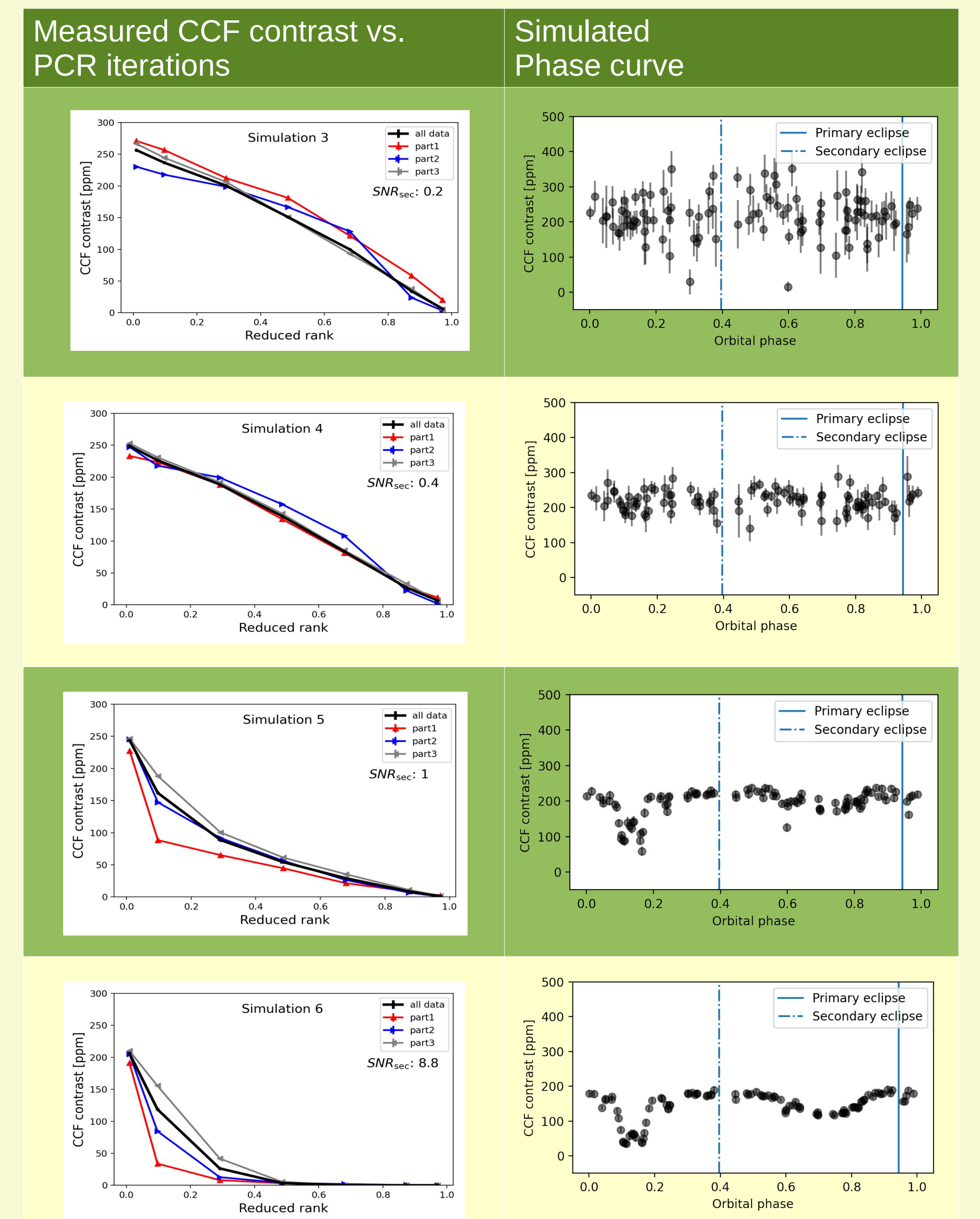
### PCA - a great tool - for noisy data

- Effects of PCA on simulated spectroscopic binary
- Measured CCF contrast decreases
  - with number of PCA iteration
  - with SNR of companion signal
- **Phase-dependent degradation?**
  - for SNR ~ 1 and higher!

**Figure 4**

Left: The CCF contrast measured with Saltire for simulated data of different secondary SNR. Colours: phases with different velocity changes in primary rest frame: **Red (part1)**: smallest velocity change, **Blue (part2)**: average velocity change, **Grey (part3)**: large change (close to conjunction).

Right: Phase dependent CCF contrast for same data.



### How much signal is left?

- Observed signal degradation depends on
  - 1.) Number of PCA iterations
    - **Reduced rank** (iterations/max possible iterations)
  - 2.) SNR of companion – for individual spectra
- For TOI-1338
  - **Signal degradation** from PCA < 5%!
- But: **PCA will degrade high-SNR data**
  - Better use different tools for high-SNR?

**Table 1**

Results from simulations. Average, fractional CCF contrast after PCA detrending, compared contrast without PCA.

		Retrieved CCF contrast	
		0.01	0.1
SNR Secondary	Reduced rank		
0.1 [TOI-1338]		99.6 %	95.4 %
0.2		96.9 %	89.4 %
0.4		94.1 %	85.6 %
1.0		92.3 %	61.1 %
8.8		77.9 %	44.9 %
$\infty$ (noiseless)		76.1 %	31.1 %

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Fancy using Saltire?

