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STUDYING STELLAR MAGNETIC ACTIVITY: ASTEROSEISMIC MEASUREMENTS

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I-Introduction



I-STELLAR ACTIVITY



Activity cycles are the consequence of:

- Interaction between
 - Rotation, convection & magnetic fields
- There is a relation between:

 $P_{cyc}/P_{rot} = \Omega / \Omega_{cyc} = CRo^{q}$

[e.g. Thomas & Weiss 2008]

- with Ro = P_{rot}/T_c , the Rosby number
- τ_c the convective turnover time
- q changing from 0.25 to 1

[e.g. Ossendrijver 1997; Saar 2002; Jouve et al. 2010]

- Stellar activity cycles:
 - Two branches
 - The position of the Sun
 - Between both branches

Faster rotators

- Stronger magnetic activity amplitudes
- Rarely have regular cycles



[Adapted from Bohm-Vitense, 2007]

[Fletcher et al. 2010]



I-WHAT CAN SEISMOLOGY OFFER?

- Long, uninterrupted (stable?) photometric observations
 - CoRoT
 - Hundred days (2 or 3 times)
 - Kepler:
 - More than 3.5 years
- Convective properties
 - Characteristic time of the granulation
 - Depth of the convective zone
- New magnettic-activity cycle proxies:
 - Frequency shifts
 - Mode amplitudes



I-METHODOLOGY: THE SUN

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II- RESULTS: CoRoT

II-THE COROT TARGET: HD49933

Stellar parameters:

- F5V dwarf
 - 1.2 M_{\odot} ; 1.3 R_{\odot}
 - Observed by CoRoT during 60 + 137 days + 90 days
 - 50 oscillation modes measured
 P_{rot} = 3.4 days





[Appourchaux et al. 2008; Benomar et al. 2009]

HINTS OF A MAGNETIC-ACTIVITY CYCLE





Anticorrelation between amplitude variation and frequency shifts P_{cyc}>120days



Complementary observations ✓ Ca HK: Mount Wilson index of 0.31 Active star



II-DEPTH OF THE PERTURBATION



The frequency shifts only affect:

- Modes > 2 mHz
 - Surface effect
 - Modes <2 mHz
 - External turning point
 - Deeper as frequency decreases

Similar dependence of $\Delta v(v)$:

- Found in HD49933
- Surface effect

[Ceillier et al. 2011]





II-ANALYSE OF 3 OTHER STARS









III- RESULTS:

Kepler



III-ROTATION (SURFACE)

- Around 190 stars observed since Q5 for at least 3 months (short cadence)
 - 3.5 years of data available for surface rotation studies





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III-RESULTS: KEPLER





Wavelet Power Spectrum













[Mathur et al. to be submitted]



III-RESULTS: KEPLER

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0.0

4.5

Power (*10")

9.0





Wavelet Power Spectrum







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[Mathur et al. to be submitted]





III-NEXT STEP: 3D MODELS









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 $=1.23 \mu Hz$

=9.4davs

 $_{rot} = 9.4 \pm 0.7 days$

 $P_{rot}^{3} = 26.3 \pm 0.5 days$

 $P_{rot}^{3} = 42.4 \pm 0.14 days$



Hidrodynamical models

1D Seismic model

3D Model by ASH





[Augustson, Mathur, Brun et al. in prep.]







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0.00 0.57

1.13

Power (+10")

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Preliminary results: a regular cycle has been established





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