

# Magnetic fields and activity of low-mass stars in the SPIRou context

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- Effects of stellar activity on planets
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Dittman et al. (2009)

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# Stellar magnetism in the SPIRou/SLS context

Strong synergy

 $\mathsf{planet} \; \mathsf{search} \; \leftrightarrow \; \mathsf{stellar} \; \mathsf{magnetism}$ 

- stellar dynamos
- magnetic cycles
- angular momentum evolution
- → large sample
- → moderate-low activity regime
- → baseline > 4 yr



Donati et al. (2006,2008), Phan-Bao et al. (2009), Morin et al. (2008-2010), Hébrard et al. (2016), Moutou et al. (2018)

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- Indirect measurements: stellar activity
- Direct magnetic field measurement: Zeeman effect
- Spectroscopy vs spectropolarimetry
- Overview of M dwarfs magnetism

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  - Photospheric features
  - photometry
  - HR spectroscopy
  - Chromosphere
  - UV, Vis., nIR emission lines
  - Corona
    - EUV/X-ray, radio
- Spatial + temporal correlations
- "Historical" proxies for stellar B
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- nIR indicators
  - Hel,  $\mathsf{Pa}\beta,\gamma,\delta$
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ESA/NASA SOHO images magnetogram | continuum He II 304 Å| Fe XV 284 Å

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# Direct magnetic field measurement: Zeeman effect

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- Selection rules
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- Zeeman  $\pi$ -to- $\sigma$  splitting
  - $\Delta \lambda_B = \frac{e}{4\pi m_e c} \lambda_0^2 g_{eff} B$  $= 4,67 \times 10^{-12} \lambda_0^2 g_{eff} B$  $B(G); \lambda(nm)$
- Polarization
  - Information on vector properties of **B**
  - Circ. pol. → longitudinal
  - Lin. pol. → transverse
- Cool MS stars
  - atomic lines → Zeeman
  - molecular can be in Paschen-Back regime Julien Morin
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Schematic view of the observed Stokes parameters as a function of the field orientation w.r.t the line of sight

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## Magnetometry with unpolarised spectroscopy

- Zeeman components not resolved
  - when  $\Delta v_B < \Delta v_0 \simeq 8 \; {
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  - natural, thermal, pressure, turbulent width
  - instrumental profile
- Measure "magnetic flux":
  - $\langle \|\mathbf{B}\| \rangle = B \times f$
- Multi-component models
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- Weakly sensitive to **B** orientation
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WX UMa (M6V) and GJ 1002 (M5.5V) Crozet et al. (2021)

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# Spectropolarimetry: $B_{\ell}$ measurements

- B<sub>ℓ</sub>: longitudinal field
- Zeeman-induced circ. pol.
  - Shift RHCP/LHCP spectra
  - $B_\ell \propto \Delta \lambda_B$
- 1<sup>st</sup> detection on another star than the Sun: Babcock (1947)
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Portion of spectrum and LSD profiles of AD Leo (M3V) Kochukhov (2020)

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# Zeeman-Doppler Imaging: principles

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Flaring vs quiescent blue spectrum of AD Leo (M3V) Hawley & Pettersen (1991)

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# A maximum entropy approach to detect close-in giant planets around active stars





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#### Comparison w/ gaussian-process regression



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- SPIRou/SLS
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  - Extended to very active / late SpT
  - Long temporal baseline
- → Build unique magnetic survey
- → Include molecular lines in RV/magnetometry analysis
- Simultaneous ESPaDOnS/SPIRou and NeoNARVAL/SPIP?



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