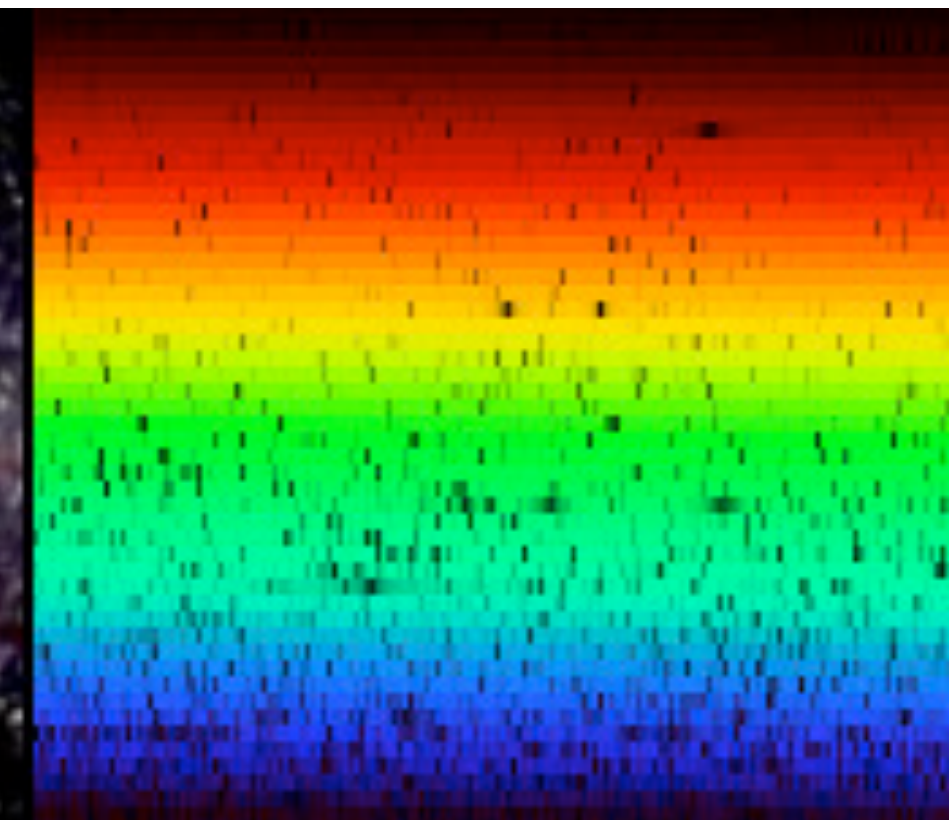




ASTR/PHYS 3070: Foundations Astronomy



Week 9 Thursday

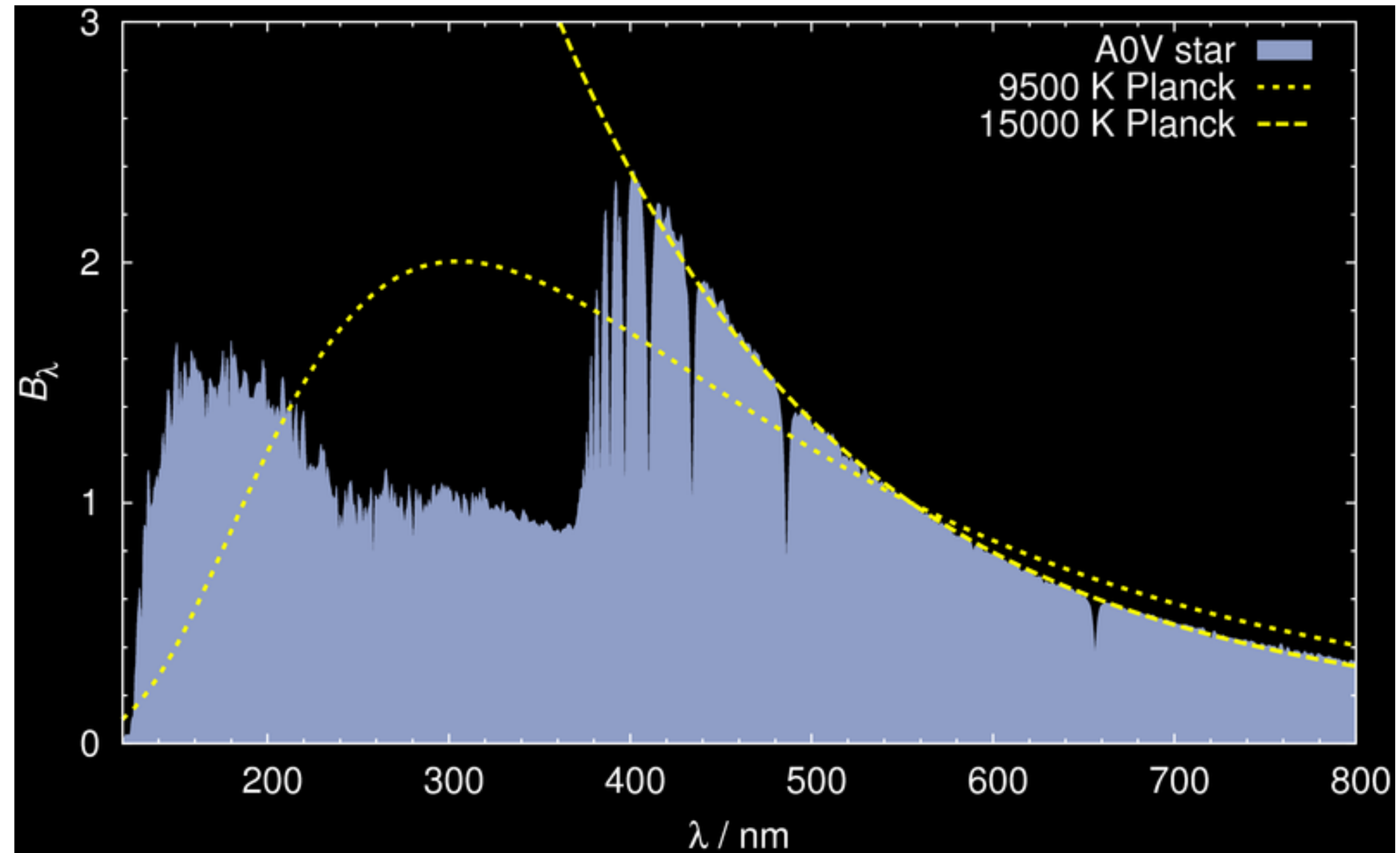
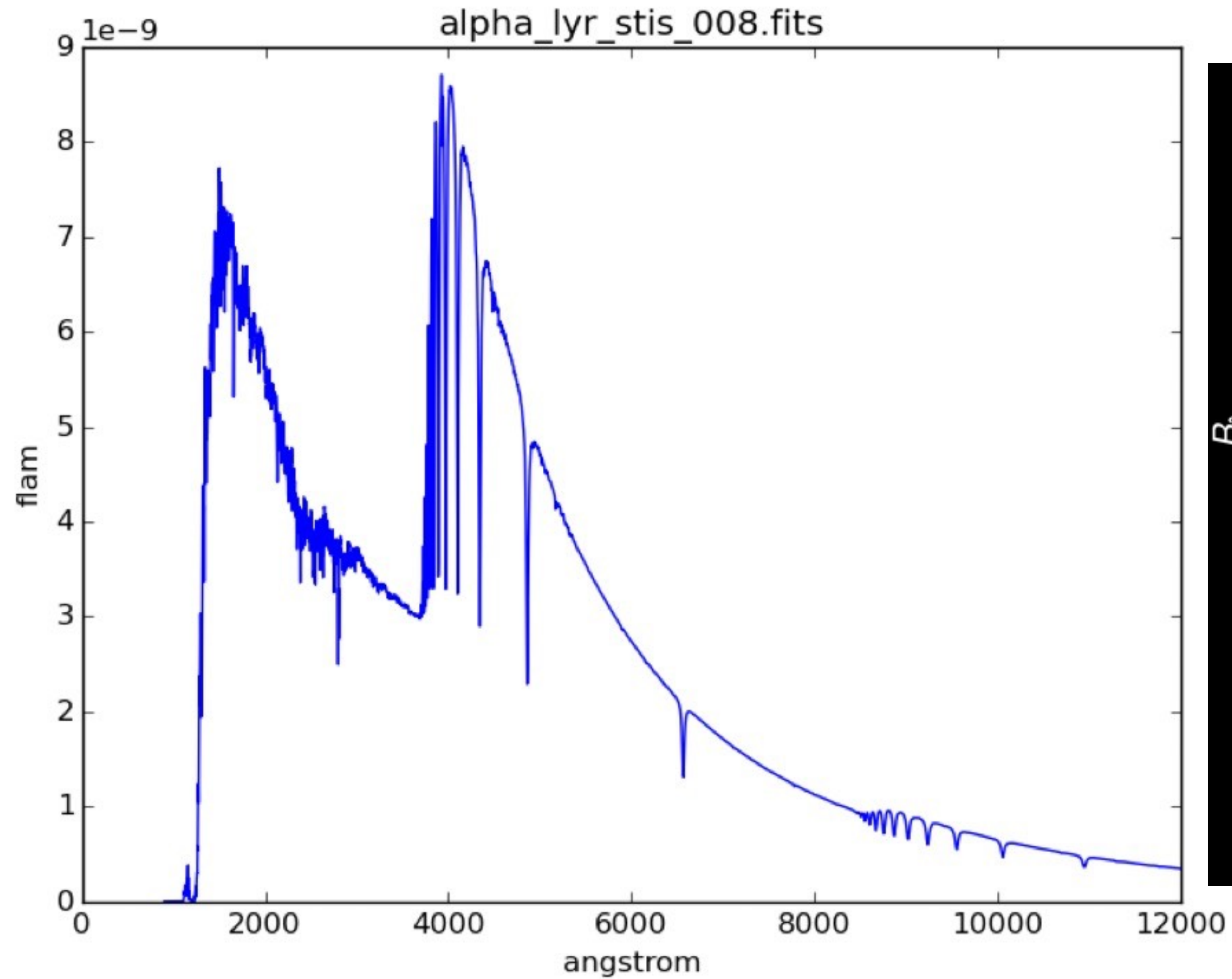
Today's Agenda

- Magnitude system
- Practice with magnitudes
- Filters, colors, temperatures
- Stellar types

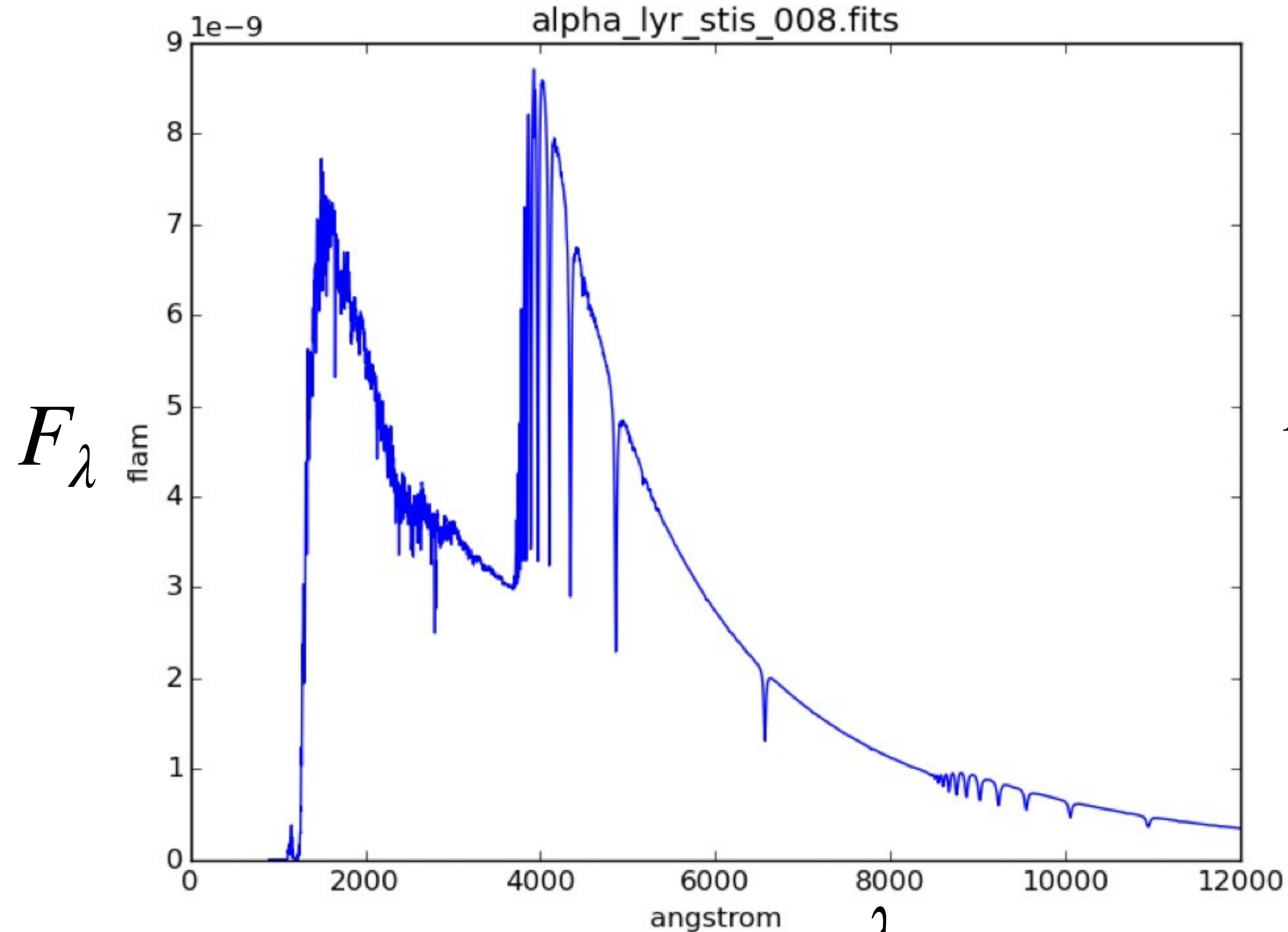
Announcements / Reminders

- HW 6 due Friday 1min before midnight
- Read Chapters 14 & 15.3
- HEAP talk at 4pm on Thursday
 - Spica: its stars and nebula
- Colloquium at 2pm on Friday
 - Breaking the Myth of the "Non-Traditional" Physicist: The Real Story About Employment for Physics Graduates

Vega is a blackbody ;)



Bolometric flux or magnitude is sum over all λ s



$$F_{\text{bol}} = \int_0^{\infty} F_\lambda d\lambda$$

Measuring Stars

Parallax

$$d = \frac{1 \text{ pc}}{\pi''}$$

Inverse Square Law

$$F = \frac{L}{4\pi d^2}$$

Effective Temperature

$$T_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{L}{4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}}} \right)^{1/4}$$

$$m_2 - m_1 = 2.5 \log(F_1/F_2)$$

Apparent Magnitude

$$(m_{\odot} = -26.75)$$

$$m = C - 2.5 \log(F)$$

Absolute Magnitude

$$M_{\text{bol}} = 4.74 - \log(L/L_{\odot})$$

$M_{\text{bol},\odot}$
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Distance Modulus

$$m - M = 5 \log \left(\frac{d}{10 \text{ pc}} \right)$$

Practice with Magnitudes

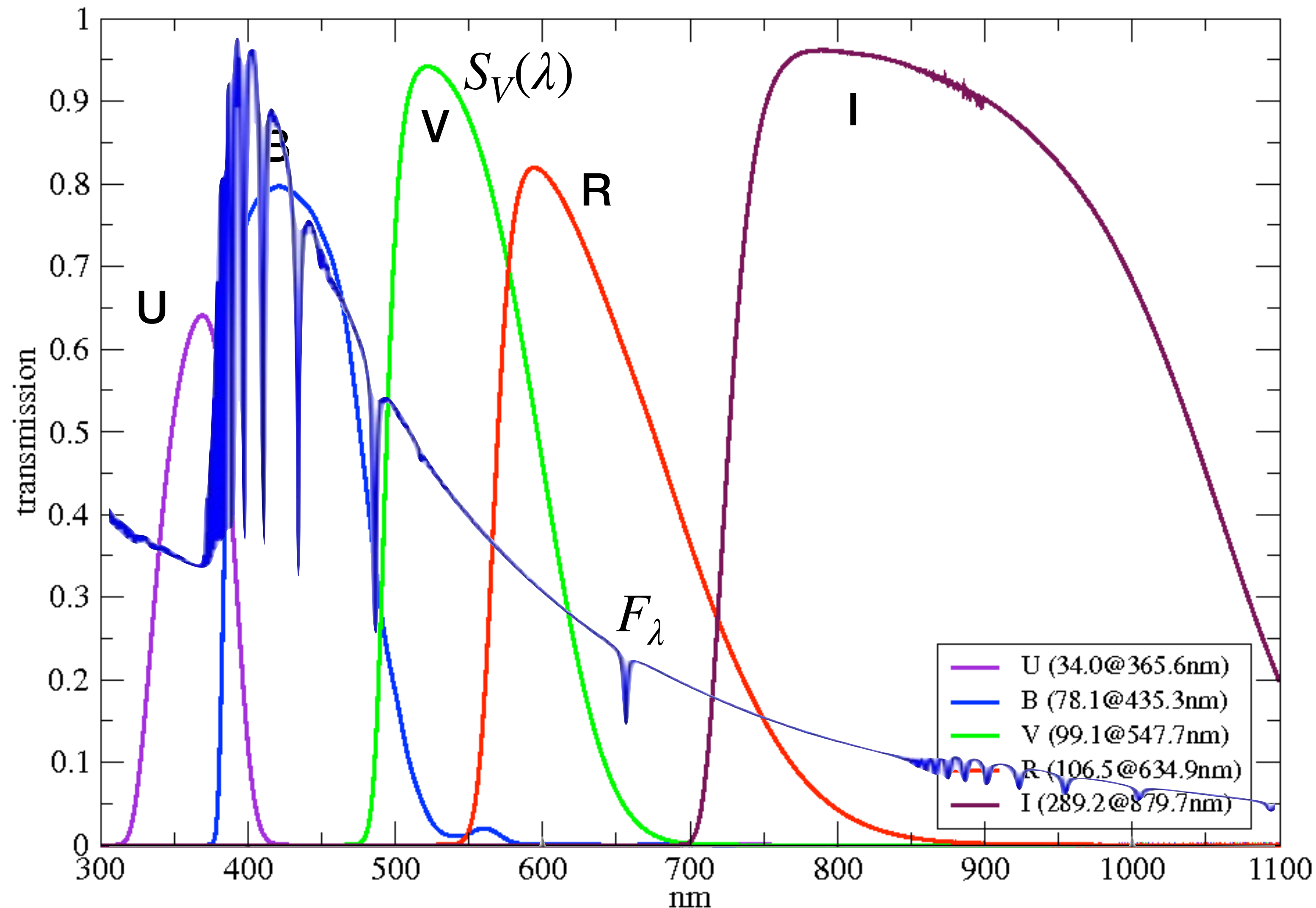
Consider 2 stars in a binary system, A & B.
A is brighter, and the difference in their magnitudes is 2.5.
If $m_B = 10$, what is m_A ?

If the parallax angle to the system is $0.025''$,
what is the absolute magnitude of star B?
What is the difference in absolute magnitudes
between the 2 stars?

Another star elsewhere in the sky is found to have a very similar spectrum to star B.
Assuming their intrinsic properties are similar and this star has a magnitude of 15,
how far away is it?

Magnitudes tied to filter systems

(which are not universal)



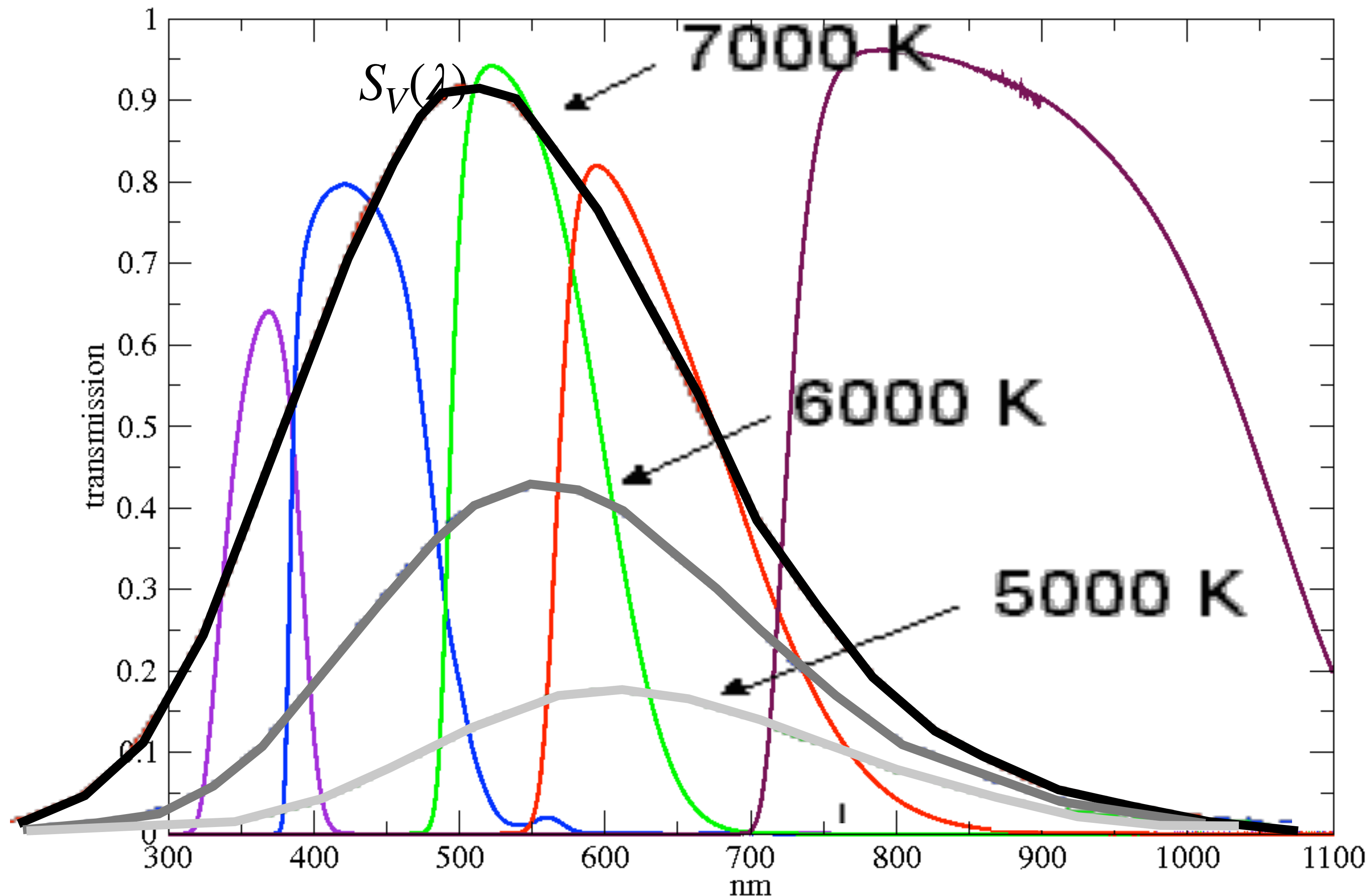
$$F_V = \int_0^{\infty} F_{\lambda} S_V(\lambda) d\lambda$$

$$m_V = C_V - 2.5 \log F_V$$

$$M_{V,\odot} = 4.83$$

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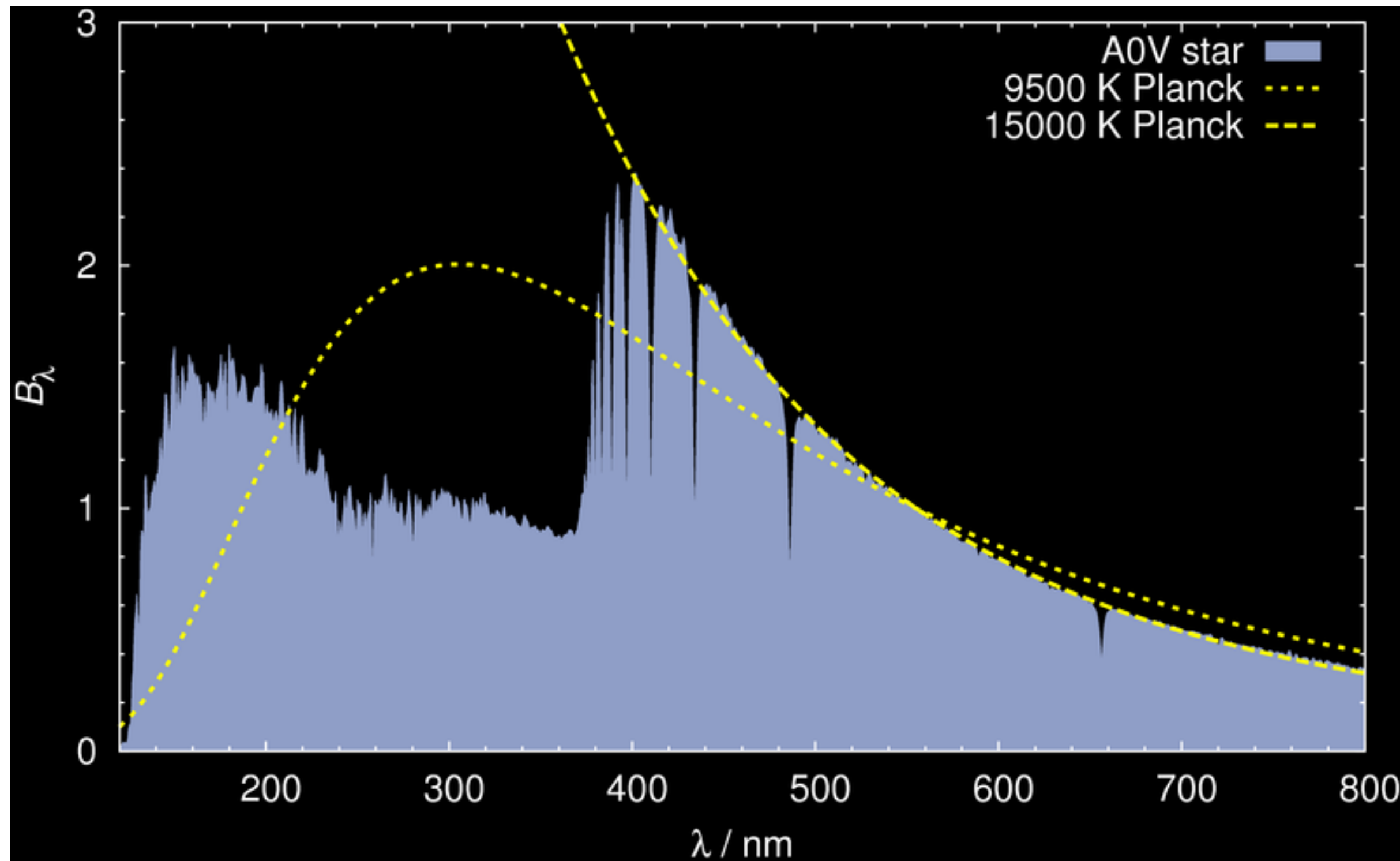
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Colors:

$$B - V = m_B - m_V$$

(shorthand)

Vega magnitude system: $m_B = m_V = m_R = \dots = 0$



Vega $T \approx 10,000$ K
 $B - V = 0$

$B - V > 0, T < 10,000$ K
(Less blue light, fainter in B band,
so m_B is larger than m_V)

$B - V < 0, T > 10,000$ K

$$T \approx \frac{9000 \text{ K}}{(B - V) + 0.93}$$

(empirical relation)

Bolometric correction & Effective Temperature

$$BC_V = m_{\text{bol}} - m_V = M_{\text{bol}} - M_V$$

$$BC_{V,\odot} = M_{\text{bol},\odot} - M_{V,\odot} = 4.74 - 4.83 = -0.09$$

Corrects for flux emitted by source but missed by the bandpass (filter)

Can define an “effective temperature” based on BB (even if spectrum not a BB):

$$L = 4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}} T^4 \quad \longrightarrow \quad T_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{L}{4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}}} \right)^{1/4}$$

How does R, T, and lifetime depend on mass?

$$\frac{R}{R_{\odot}} = \begin{cases} 1.06(M/M_{\odot})^{0.945}, & M < 1.66 M_{\odot} \\ 1.33(M/M_{\odot})^{0.555}, & M > 1.66 M_{\odot} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{L}{L_{\odot}} = \begin{cases} 0.35(M/M_{\odot})^{2.62}, & M < 0.7 M_{\odot} \\ 1.02(M/M_{\odot})^{3.92}, & M > 0.7 M_{\odot} \end{cases}$$

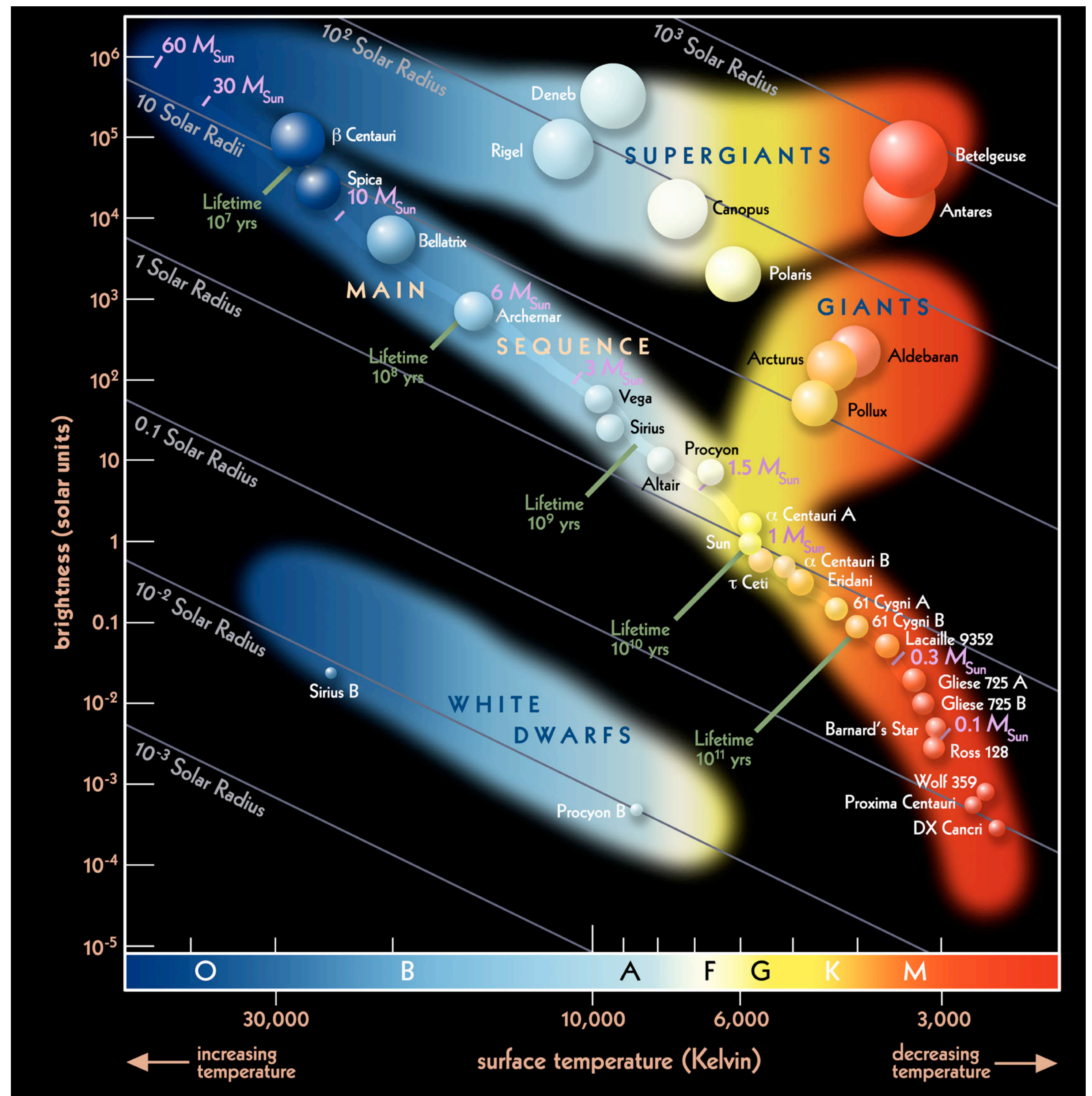
Main Sequence Lifetime

(fuel / burning rate)

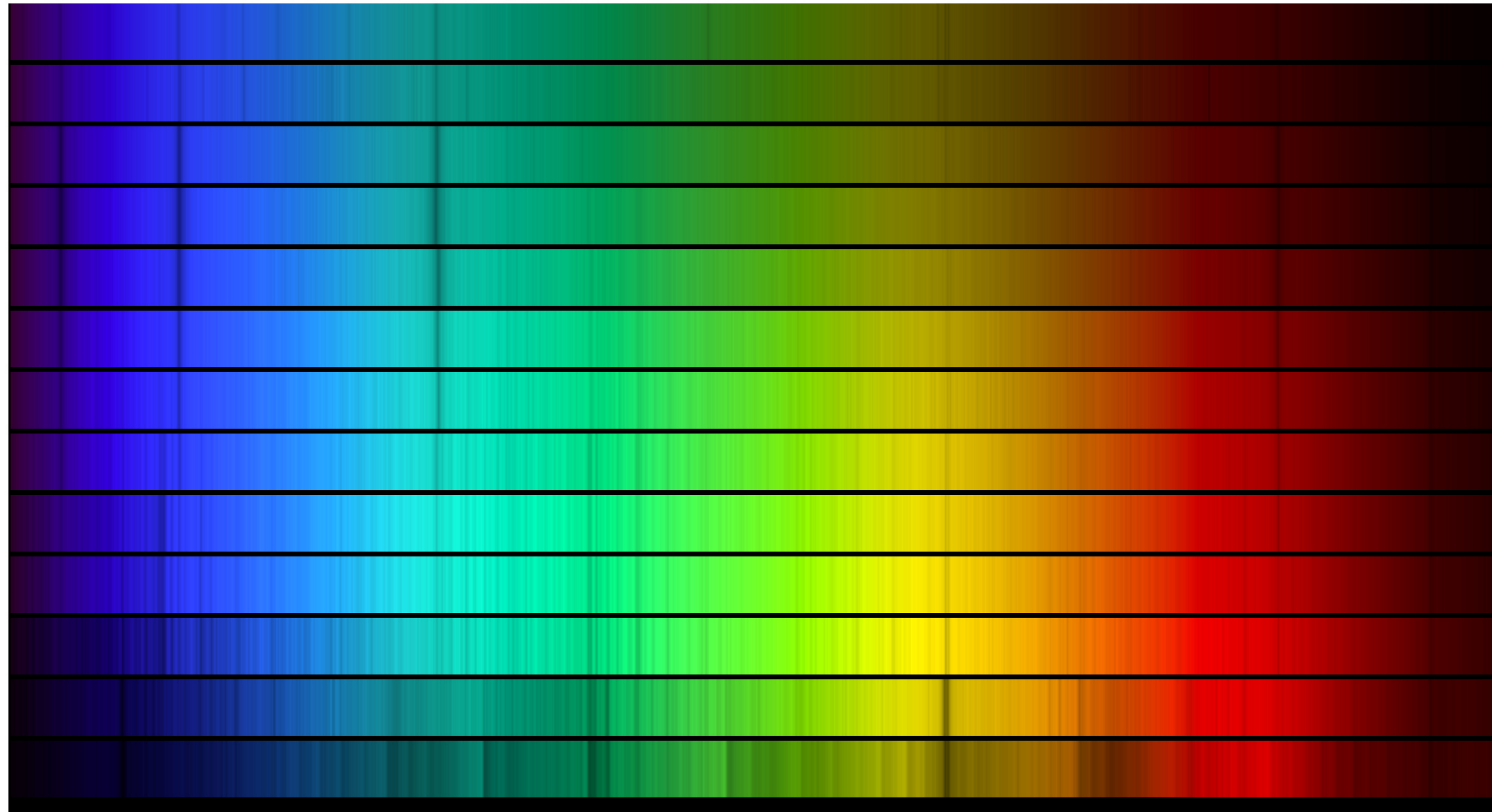
$$\tau \propto \frac{M}{L} \propto \begin{cases} M^{-1.62}, & M < 0.7 M_{\odot} \\ M^{-2.92}, & M > 0.7 M_{\odot} \end{cases}$$

Luminosity vs Temperature

$$T_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{L}{4\pi R^2 \sigma_{\text{SB}}} \right)^{1/4}$$



But early on, no distances and no temperatures



Just spectral lines! And no quantum mechanics!!!

Harvard College Observatory

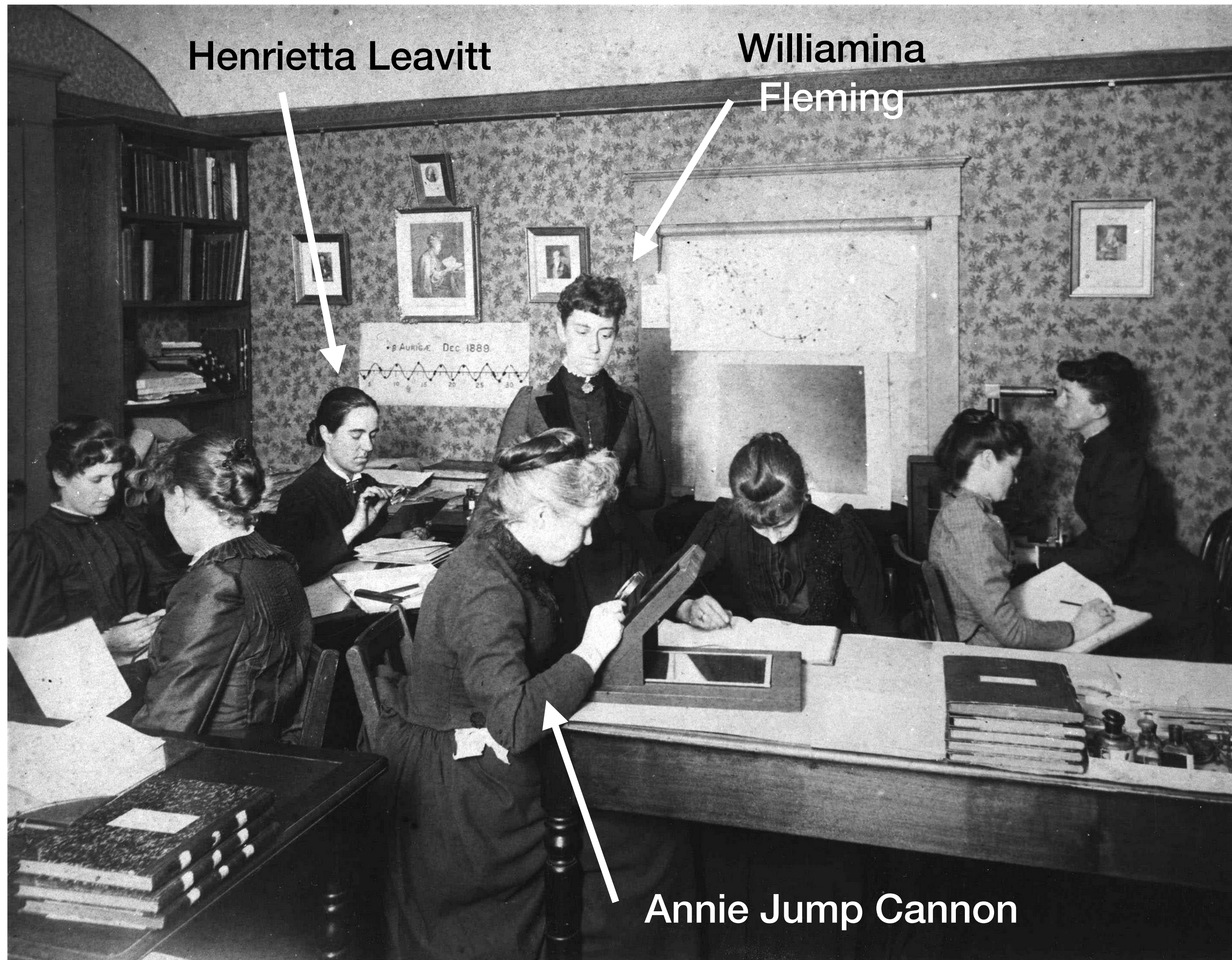
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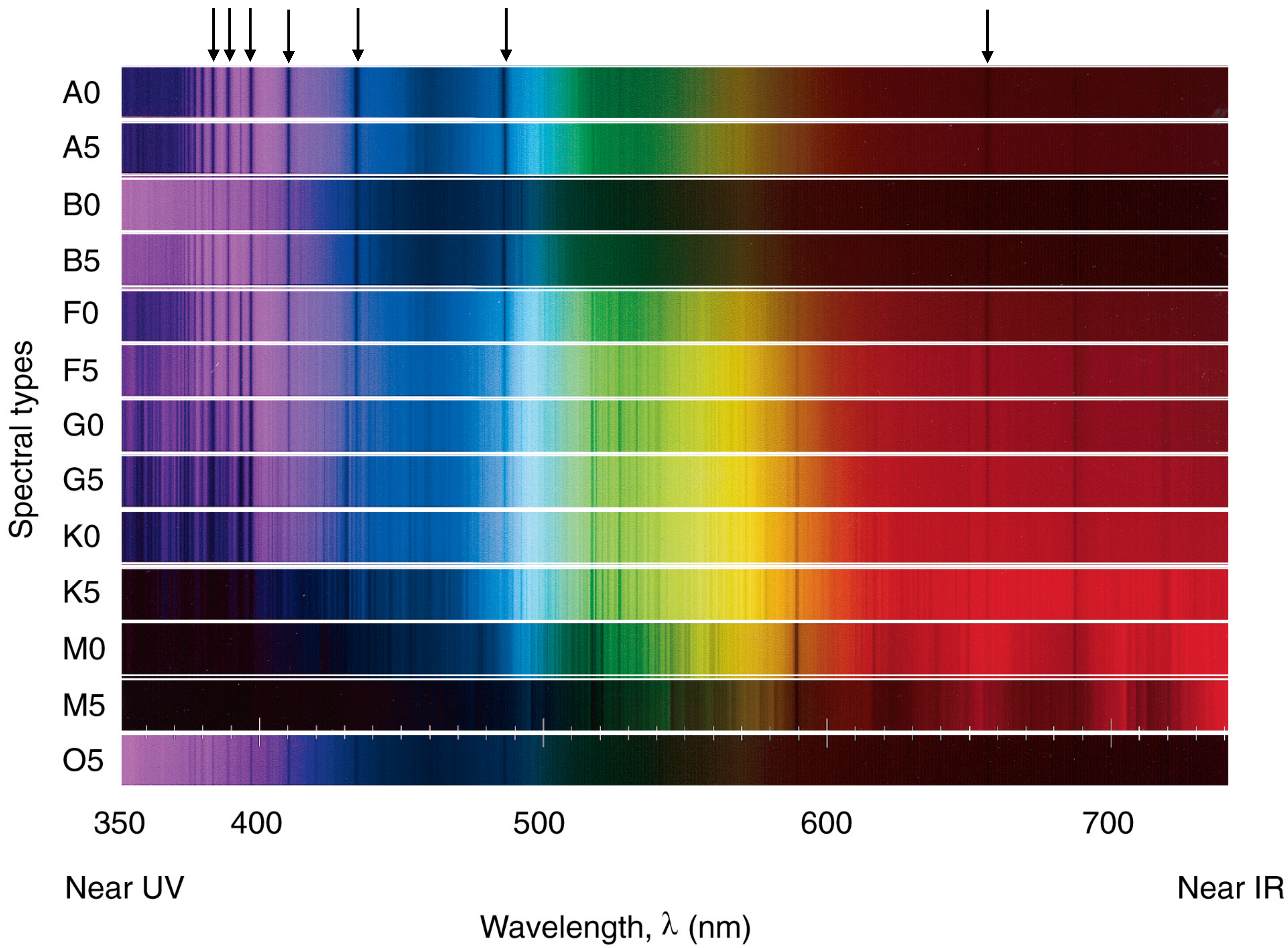
👎 “Pickering’s Harem” 👎

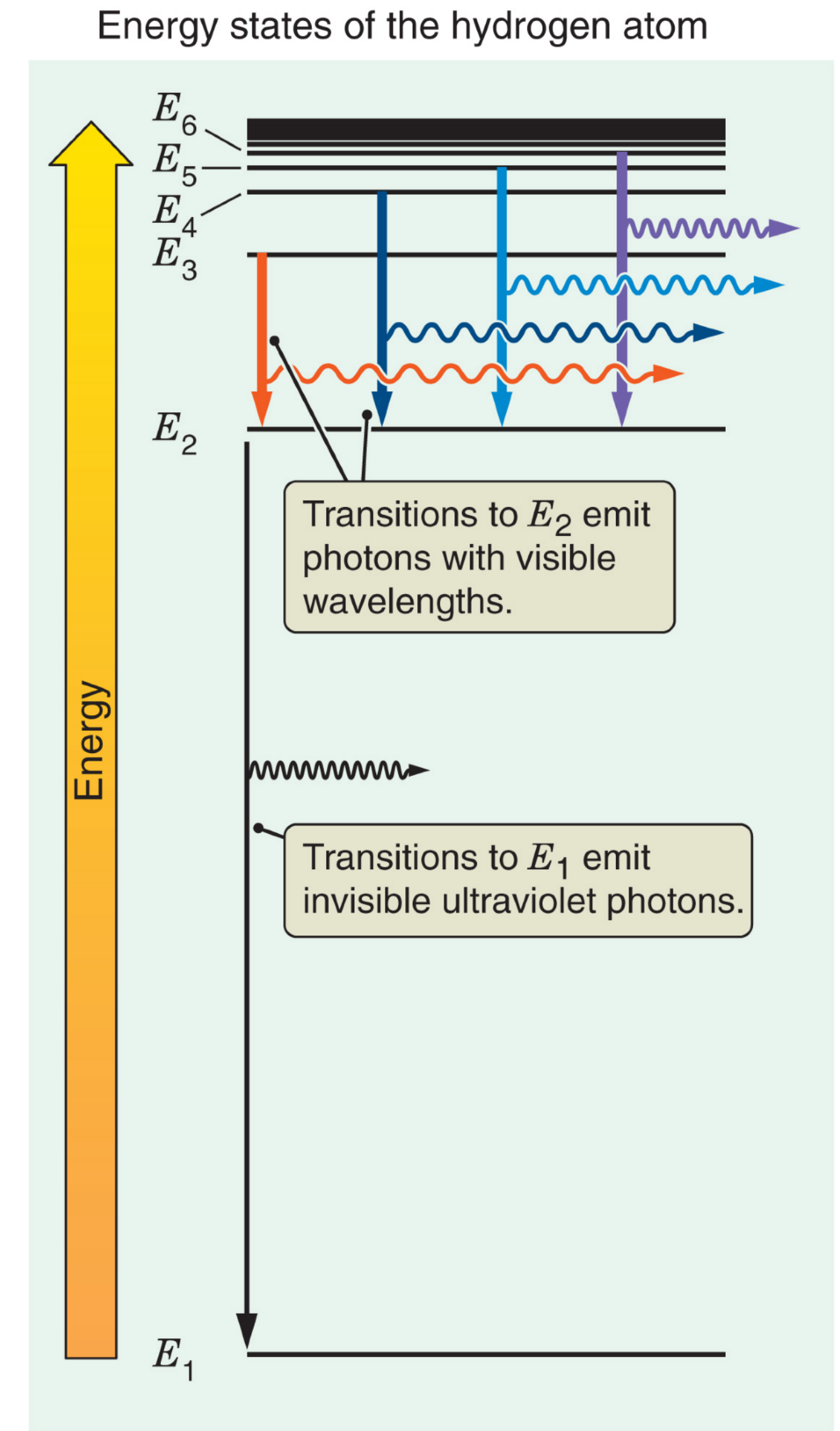
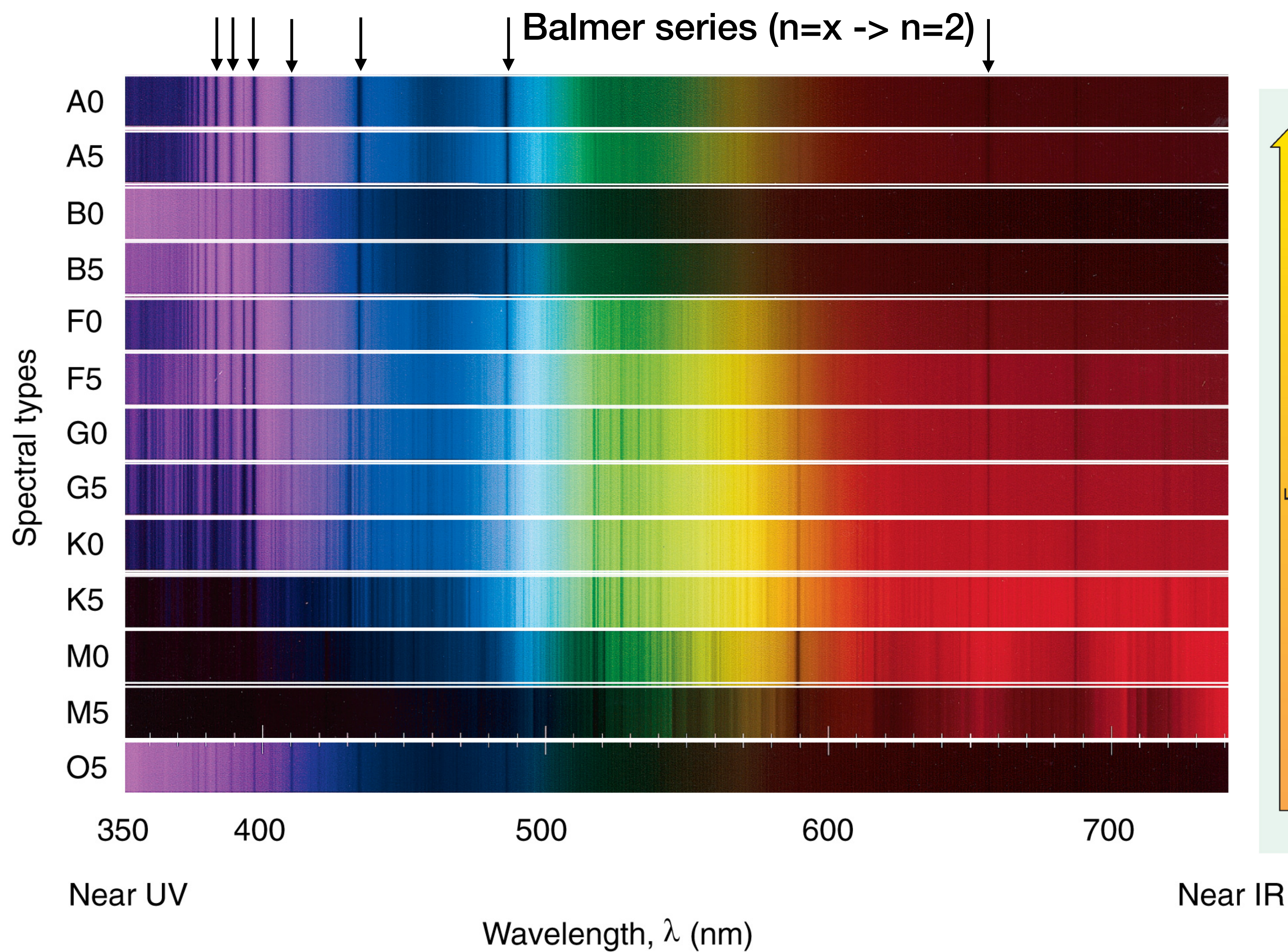
Prof Pickering did not really consider astronomy science, but the widow of Henry Draper (of the HD star catalog) donated a bunch of money.

His housekeeper, Williamina Fleming, was more competent (and cheaper) than his male assistant, so she ran the show

These female “computers” founded modern astronomy



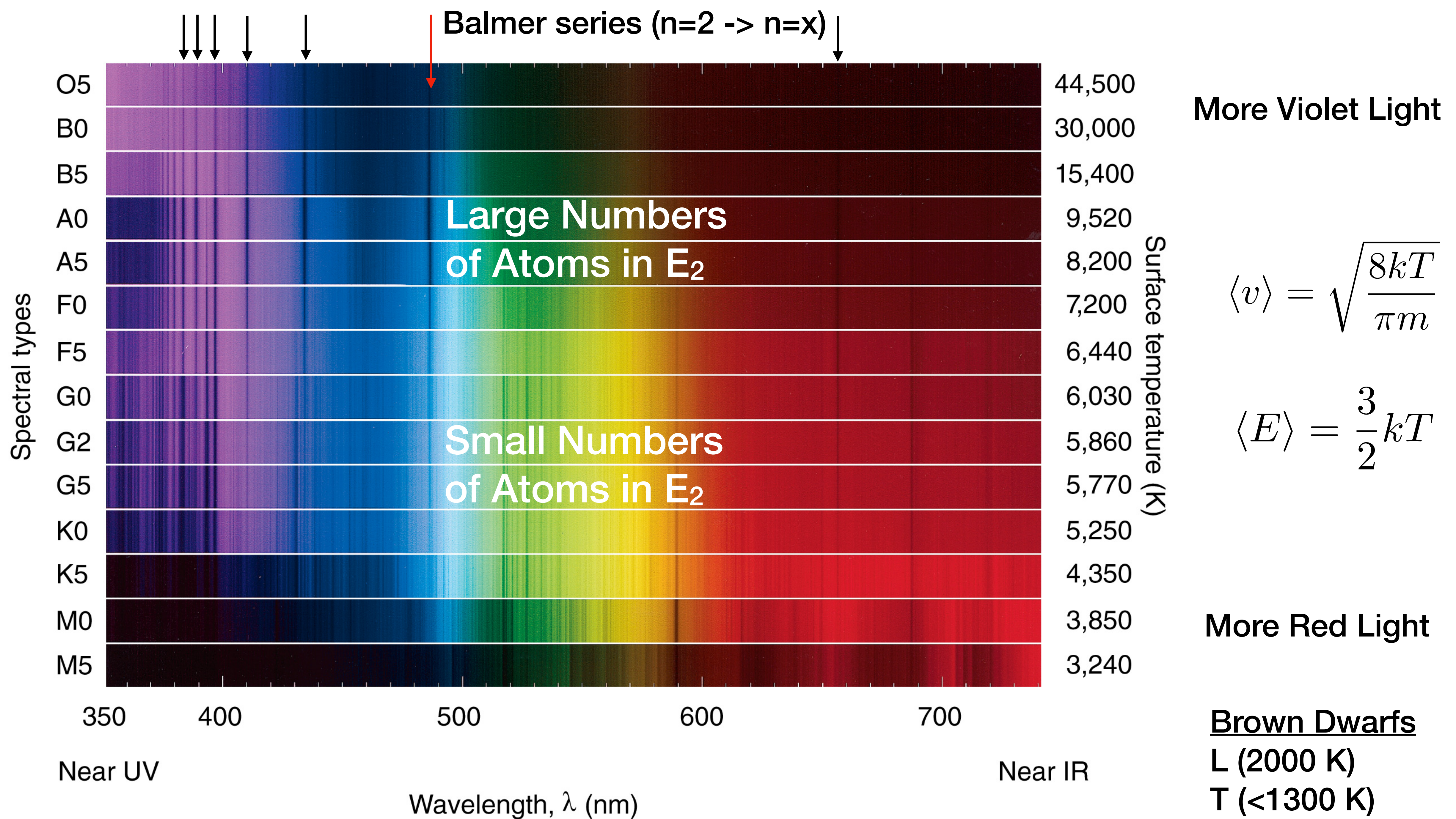




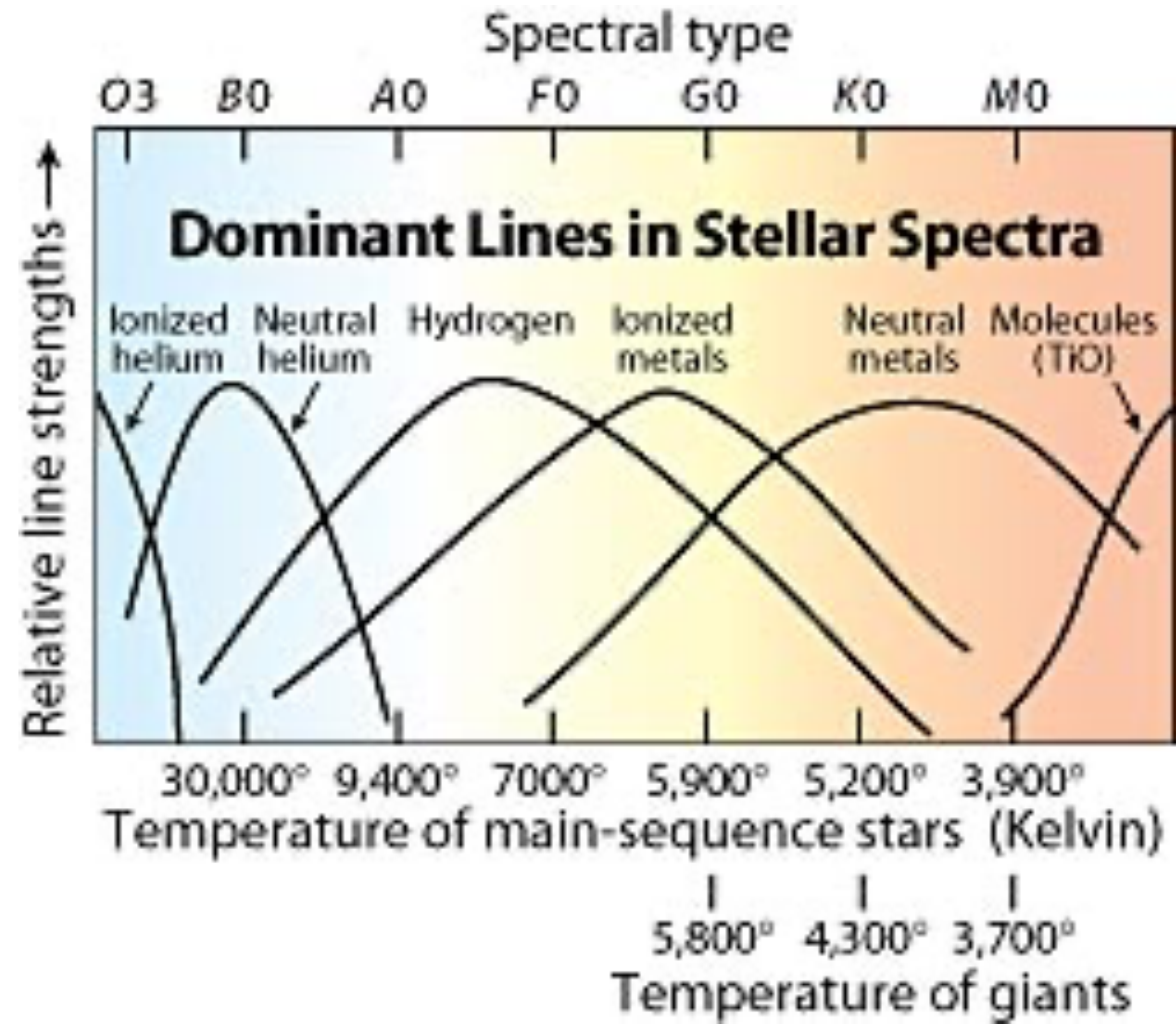
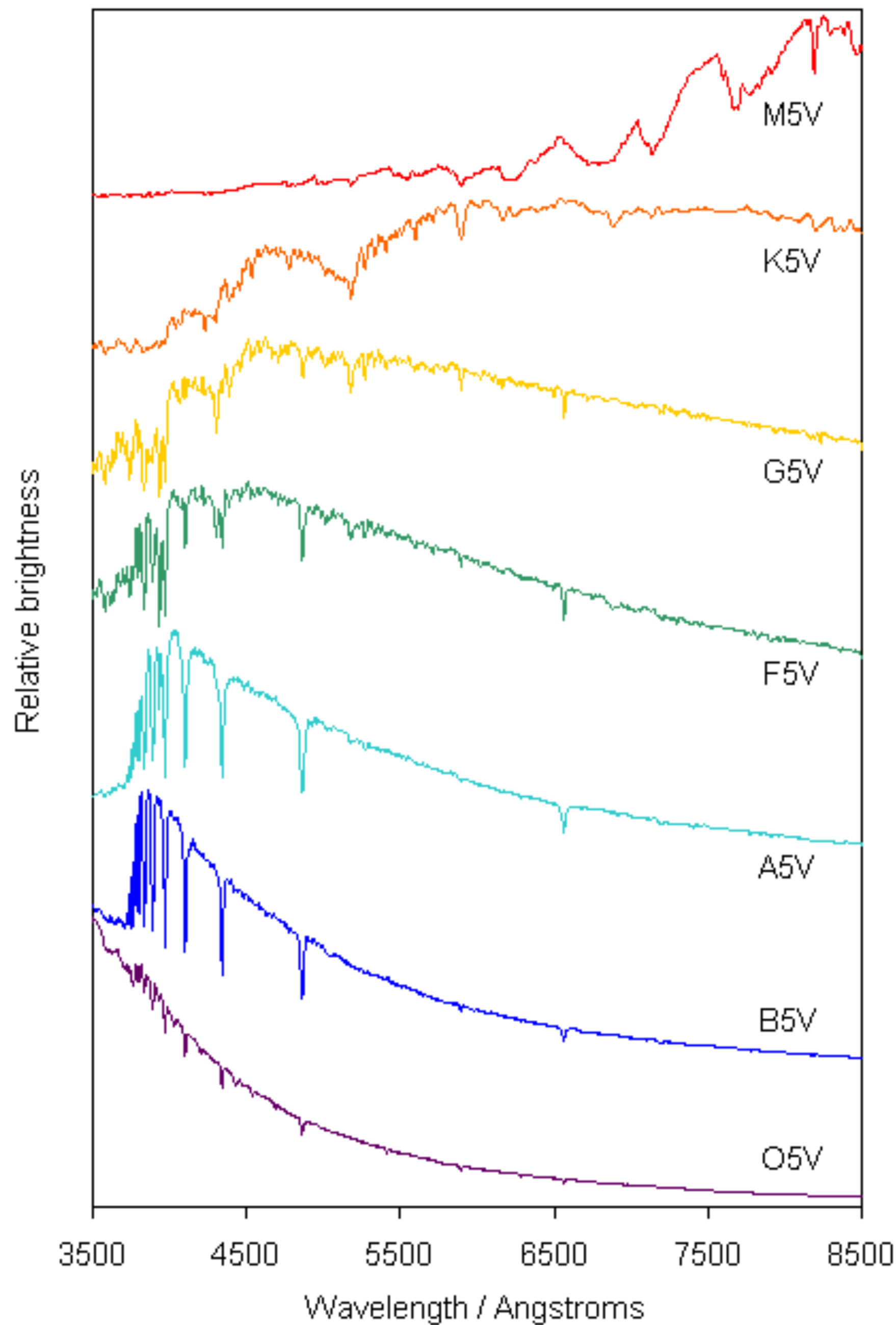
Annie Jump Cannon Classifies the Stars



- part of the effort to catalog every star in the sky down to 9th magnitude
- defined the classification scheme for stellar spectra
- manually classified over 350,000 stars
- realized stellar types correlated with temperature (but not in the original order)



Line Strengths depend on Type



Spectral Classification

Temperature Sequence (color)

OBAFGKM

“Oh, Be A Fine Girl/Guy, Kiss Me!”

“Only Boys Accepting Feminism Get Kissed Meaningfully”

“Only Boring Astronomers Find Gratification Knowing Mnemonics!”

<http://www.star.ucl.ac.uk/~pac/obafgkmrns.html>

Luminosity Classes

Luminosity Type corresponds to Star's Size

$$L \propto R^2 T^4$$

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I

Supergiant

II

Bright giant

III

Giant

IV

Sub giant

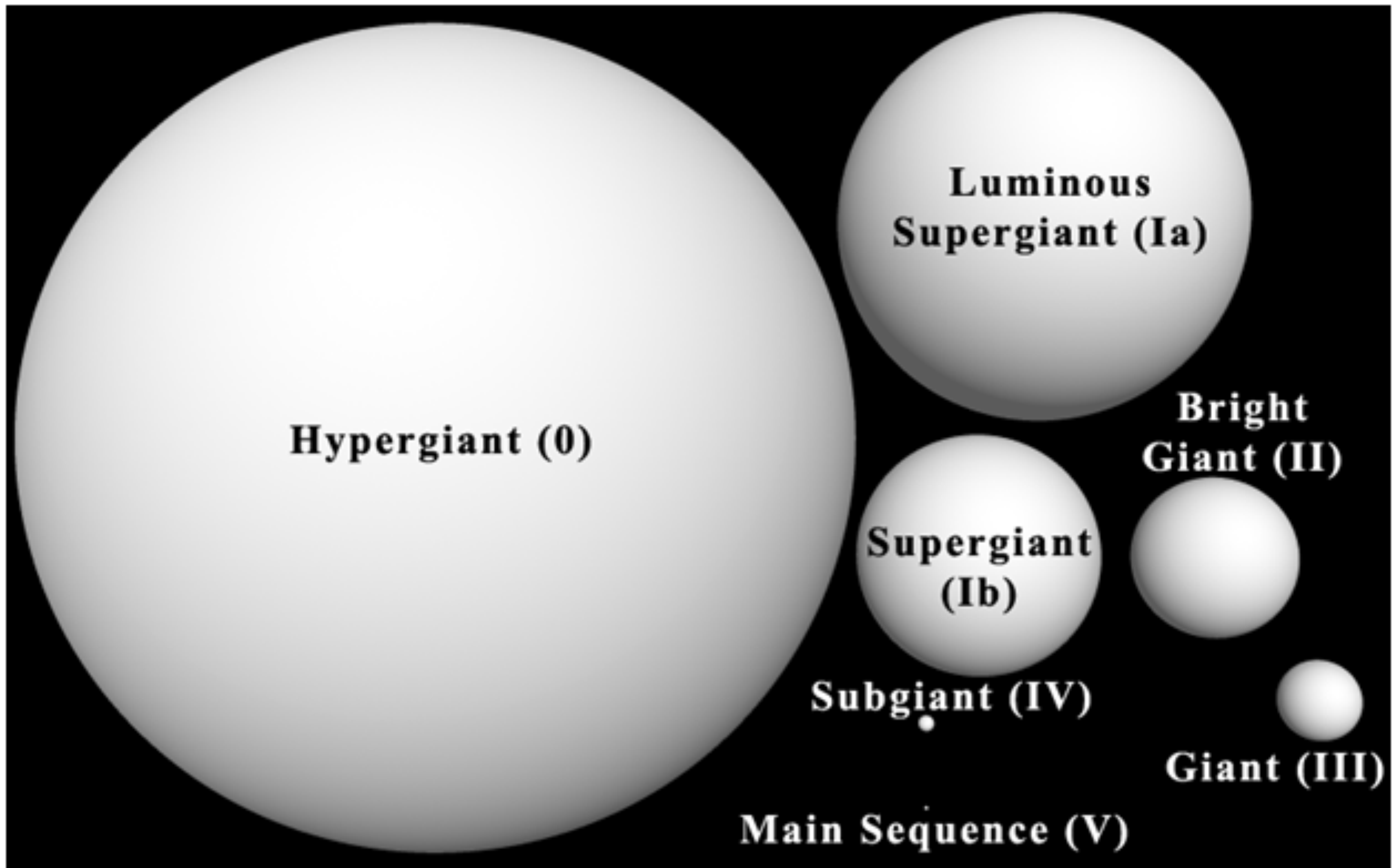
V

Dwarf (main sequence)

VI

Subdwarf

Our Sun is class G2 V

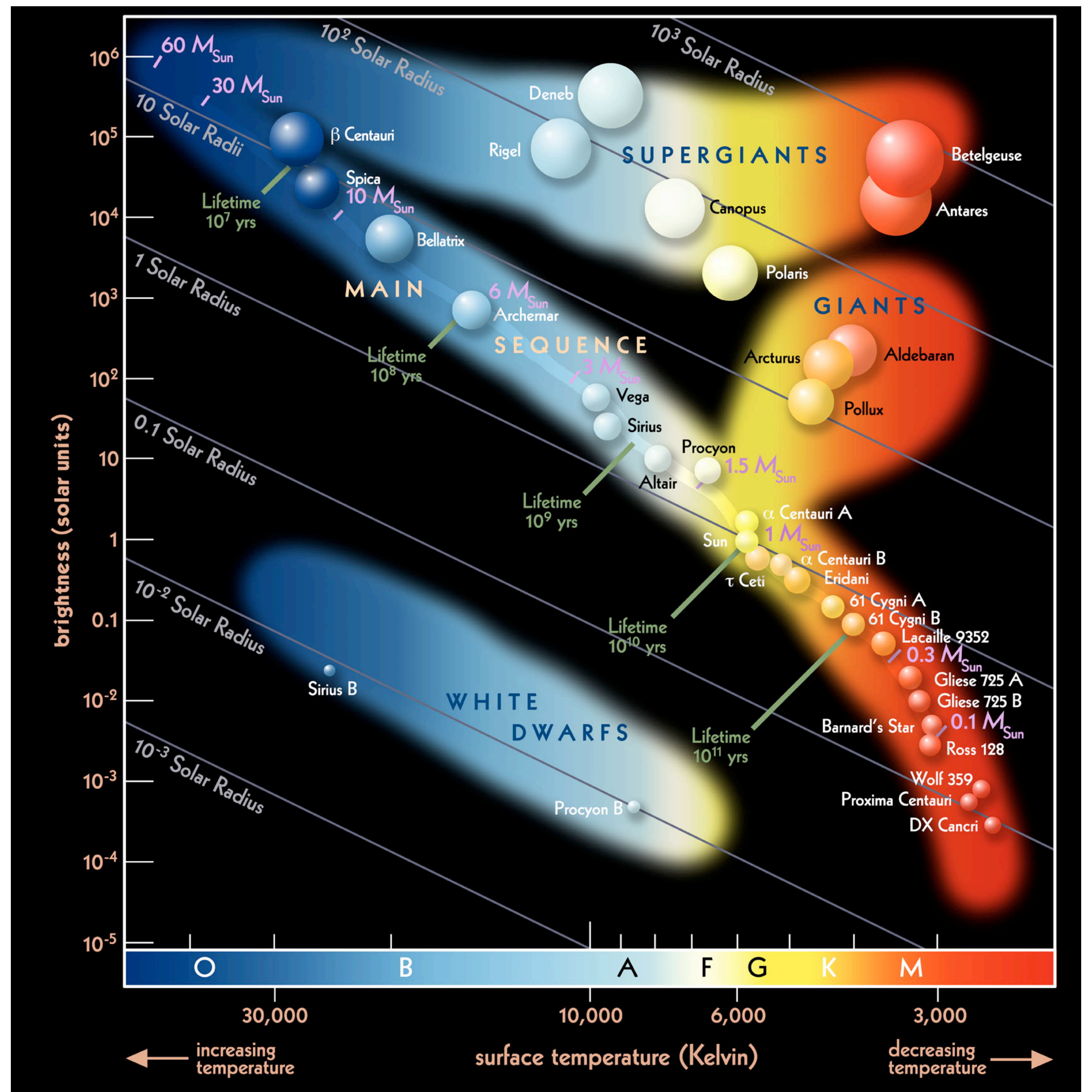


Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram (or color-magnitude diagram: CMD)

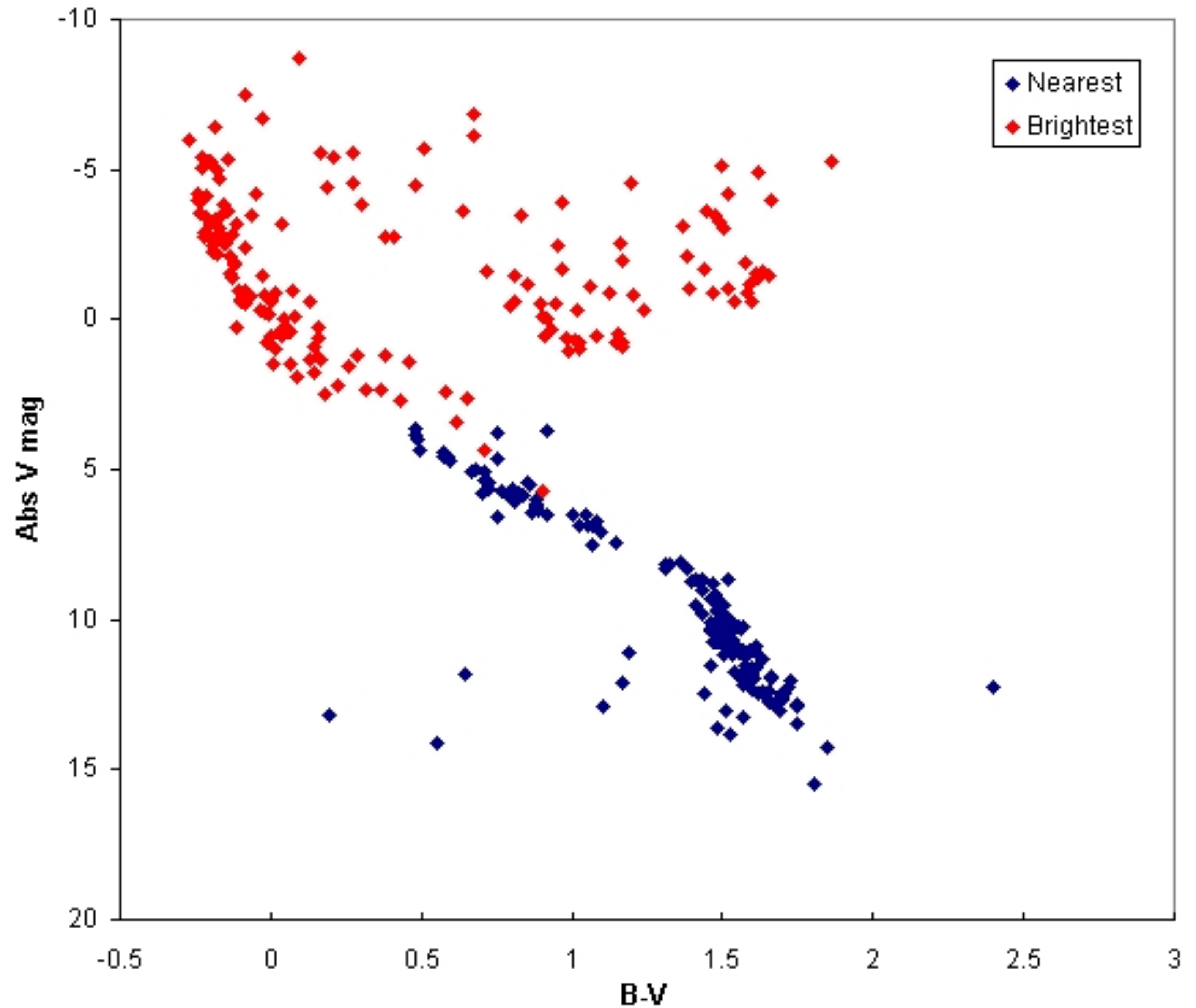
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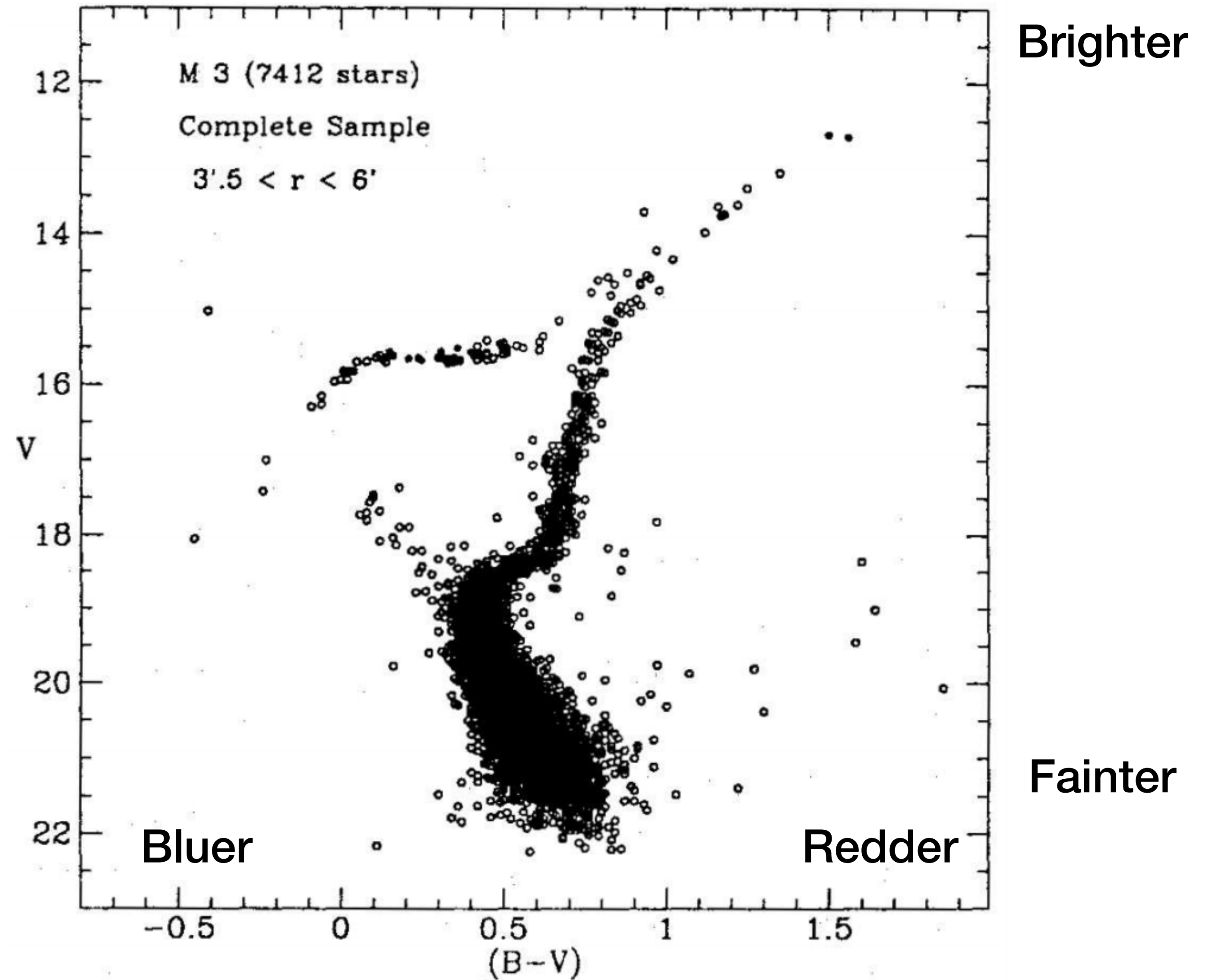
$$\log L \propto 2 \log R - 4 \log T^{-1}$$



Color (B-V) - Magnitude (V) Diagram (CMD) version



Globular Cluster Color-Magnitude Diagram



Gaia CMDs

