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1 Editorial

Welcome to Edition 188 of the ExoPlanet News!

As usual, we bring you abstracts of scientific papers, job ads, conference announcements, and an overview of exoplanet-related articles on astro-ph. Thanks a lot to all of you who contributed to this issue of the newsletter!

For the next month, we look forward to your paper abstracts, job ads, or meeting announcements. Also, special announcements are welcome. As always, we would also be happy to receive feedback concerning the newsletter. The L^AT_EX template (v2.0) for submitting contributions, as well as all previous editions of ExoPlanet News, can be found on the ExoPlanet News webpage (<https://nccr-planets.ch/exoplanetnews/>).

The next issue will appear on March 11th, 2025.

Thanks again for your support, and best regards from the editorial team,

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2 Abstracts of refereed papers

An Alternating Minimization Algorithm with Trajectory for Direct Exoplanet Detection – The AMAT Algorithm

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Effective image post-processing algorithms are vital for the successful direct imaging of exoplanets. Standard PSF subtraction methods use techniques based on a low-rank approximation to separate the rotating planet signal from the quasi-static speckles, and rely on signal-to-noise ratio maps to detect the planet. These steps do not interact or feed each other, leading to potential limitations in the accuracy and efficiency of exoplanet detection. We aim to develop a novel approach that iteratively finds the flux of the planet and the low-rank approximation of quasi-static signals, in an attempt to improve upon current PSF subtraction techniques. In this study, we extend the standard L2 norm minimization paradigm to an L1 norm minimization framework to better account for noise statistics in the high contrast images. Then, we propose a new method, referred to as Alternating Minimization Algorithm with Trajectory (AMAT), that makes a more advanced use of estimating the low-rank approximation of the speckle field and the planet flux by alternating between them and utilizing both L1 and L2 norms. For the L1 norm minimization, we propose using L1 norm low-rank approximation (L1-LRA), a low-rank approximation computed using an exact block-cyclic coordinate descent method, while we use randomized singular value decomposition for the L2 norm minimization. Additionally, we enhance the visibility of the planet signal using a likelihood ratio as a postprocessing step. Numerical experiments performed on a VLT/SPHERE-IRDIS dataset show the potential of AMAT to improve upon the existing approaches in terms of higher S/N, sensitivity limits (contrast curves), and receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curves. Moreover, for a systematic comparison, we used datasets from the exoplanet data challenge to compare our algorithm to other algorithms in the challenge, and AMAT with likelihood ratio map performs better than most algorithms tested on the exoplanet data challenge.

Download/Website: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2410.06310>

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Wavelength-dependent far-infrared polarization of HL Tau observed with SOFIA/HAWC+

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Astronomy & Astrophysics, in press (arXiv:2501.16873)

We present the first polarimetric observations of a circumstellar disk in the far-infrared wavelength range. We report flux and linear polarization measurements of the young stellar object HL Tau in the bands A ($53\ \mu\text{m}$), C ($89\ \mu\text{m}$), D ($155\ \mu\text{m}$), and E ($216\ \mu\text{m}$) with the High-resolution Airborne Wideband Camera-plus (HAWC+) on board of the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA). The orientation of the polarization vectors is strongly wavelength-dependent and can be attributed to different wavelength-dependent polarization mechanisms in the disk and its local environment. In bands A, C, and D ($53\ \mu\text{m}$ to $155\ \mu\text{m}$), the orientation of the polarization is roughly consistent with a value of 114° at the maximum emission. Hereby, the magnetic field direction is close to that of the spin axis of the disk. In contrast, in band E ($216\ \mu\text{m}$), the orientation is nearly parallel to the minor axis of the projection of the inclined disk. Based on a viscous accretion disk model combined with a surrounding envelope, we performed polarized three-dimensional Monte Carlo radiative transfer simulations. In particular, we considered polarization due to emission and absorption by aligned dust grains, and polarization due to scattering of the thermal reemission (self-scattering). At wavelengths of $53\ \mu\text{m}$, $89\ \mu\text{m}$, and $155\ \mu\text{m}$, we were able to reproduce the observed orientation of the polarization vectors. Here, the origin of polarization is consistent with polarized emission by aligned non-spherical dust grains. In contrast, at a wavelength of $216\ \mu\text{m}$, the polarization pattern could not be fully matched, however, applying self-scattering and assuming dust grain radii up to $35\ \mu\text{m}$, we were able to reproduce the flip in the orientation of polarization. We conclude that the polarization is caused by dichroic emission of aligned dust grains in the envelope, while at longer wavelengths, the envelope becomes transparent and the polarization is dominated by self-scattering in the disk.

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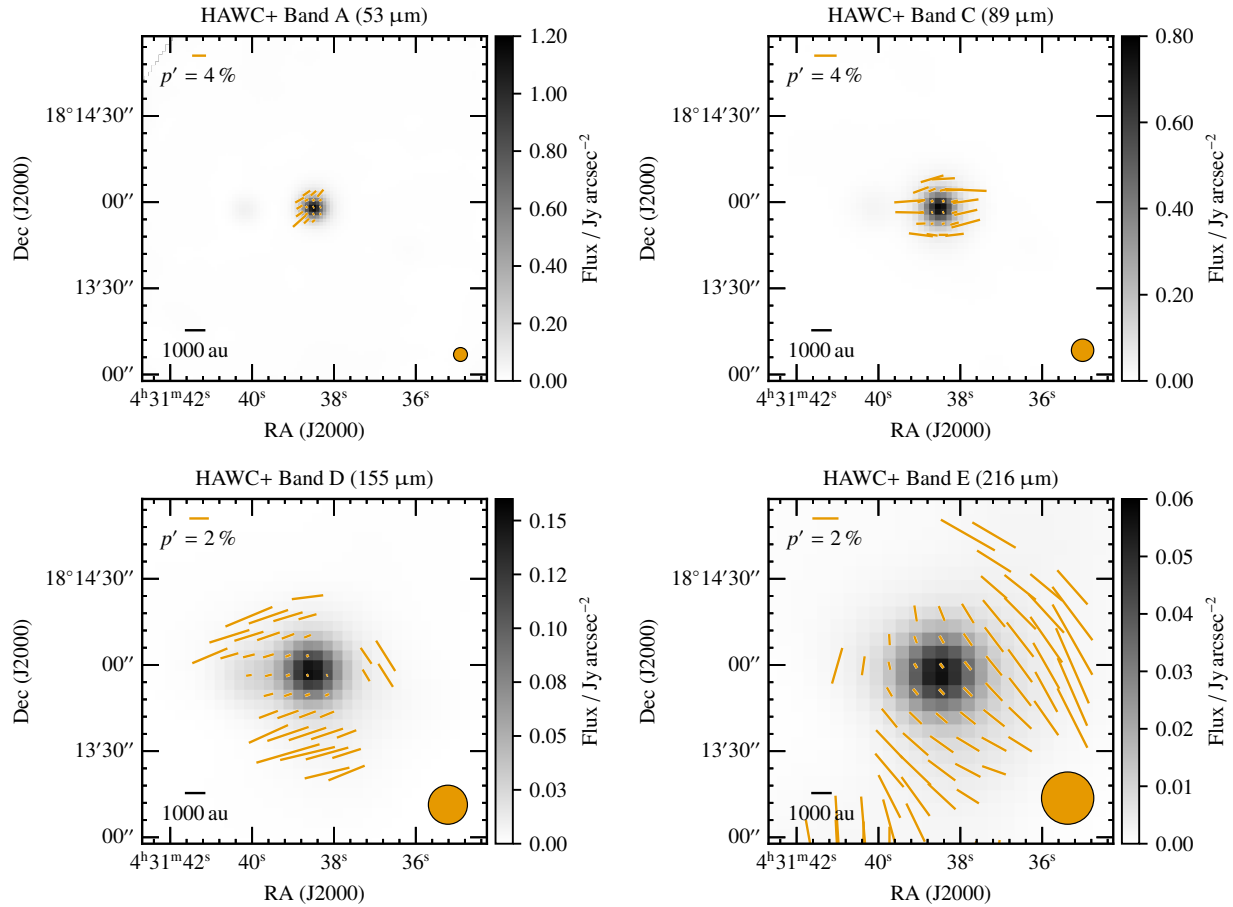


Figure 1: SOFIA/HAWC+ polarization maps of HL Tau in band A (53 μm , top left), band C (89 μm , top right), band D (155 μm , bottom left), and band E (216 μm , bottom right). The surface brightness (gray scale) is given in units of Jy arcsec^{-2} and is overlaid with polarization vectors in orange. The length and orientation of the vectors give the degree and angle of polarization, respectively. The beam size (FWHM) at each corresponding SOFIA/HAWC+ wavelength band is indicated in the respective lower right corner. The scale bar (1000 au) corresponds to an assumed distance of HL Tau of 140 pc. The images are cropped to an image size of $2 \text{ arcmin} \times 2 \text{ arcmin}$.

Deep high-resolution L band spectroscopy in the β Pictoris planetary system

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The β Pictoris system, with its two directly imaged planets β Pic b and β Pic c and its well characterised debris disk, is a prime target for detailed characterisation of young planetary systems. Here, we present high-resolution and high-contrast LM band spectroscopy with CRIRES+ of the system, primarily for the purpose of atmospheric characterisation of β Pic b. We developed methods for determining slit geometry and wavelength calibration based on telluric absorption and emission lines, as well as methods for point spread function (PSF) modelling and subtraction, and artificial planet injection, in order to extract and characterise planet spectra at a high signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) and spectral fidelity. Through cross-correlation with model spectra, we detected H₂O absorption for planet b in each of the 13 individual observations spanning four different spectral settings. This provides a clear confirmation of previously detected water absorption, and allowed us to derive an exquisite precision on the rotational velocity of β Pic b, $v_{\text{rot}} = 20.36 \pm 0.31$ km/s, which is consistent within error bars with previous determinations. We also observed a tentative H₂O cross-correlation peak at the expected position and velocity of planet c; the feature is however not at a statistically significant level. Despite a higher sensitivity to SiO than earlier studies, we do not confirm a tentative SiO feature previously reported for planet b. When combining data from different epochs and different observing modes for the strong H₂O feature of planet b, we find that the S/N grows considerably faster when sets of different spectral settings are combined, compared to when multiple data sets of the same spectral setting are combined. This implies that maximising spectral coverage is often more important than maximising integration depth when investigating exoplanetary atmospheres using cross-correlation techniques.

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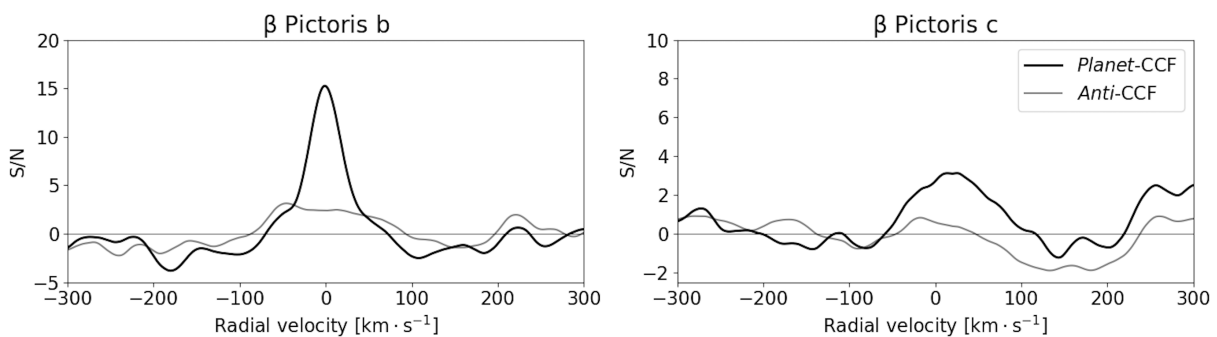


Figure 2: Cross-correlation functions of β Pic b (left) and c (right). The black lines are the cross-correlation functions at the locations of the planets, while the grey lines are the corresponding functions at the exact opposite side of the star relative to the planets. Note the different scaling on the y-axes between the two panels. Planet b is clearly detected, while planet c shows a bump that can only be seen as a tentative feature.

Three Worlds in One: Venus as a Natural Laboratory for the Effect of Rotation Period on Atmospheric Circulation

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Because of its rotation period of 243 days, Venus is considered a slowly rotating planet. However, its persistent superrotating atmospheric jets, which increase in speed from surface to cloud tops, effectively set a faster rotation speed than the surface rotation. Using the Venus Planetary Climate Model and wind measurements taken by the Pioneer Venus entry probes, we show that the Rossby radius of deformation of the atmosphere varies with height. The atmosphere falls into three circulation regimes: (1) from the surface to 20 km, the Rossby radius of deformation exceeds the planetary radius and no Rossby waves form; (2) from 20 to 50 km, the tropical Rossby radius becomes smaller than the planetary radius, and a circulation regime characterized by a superrotating equatorial jet and mid-latitude Rossby gyres appears; (3) from 50 to 70 km, the extratropical Rossby radius becomes smaller than the planetary radius, the jet develops mid-latitude maxima, and the Rossby gyres shift to high latitudes. Studies of exoplanetary circulation regimes as a function of rotation period have repeatedly shown a similar progression. While observing the circulations of exoplanets to confirm these predictions is not currently possible, the presence of different circulation regimes on Venus and their dependence on altitude could be tested by observing campaigns. Such evidence would be the first observational support for the theory connecting differences in planetary rotation periods to circulation regime transitions and would ground predictions of exoplanet circulations in a validated framework.

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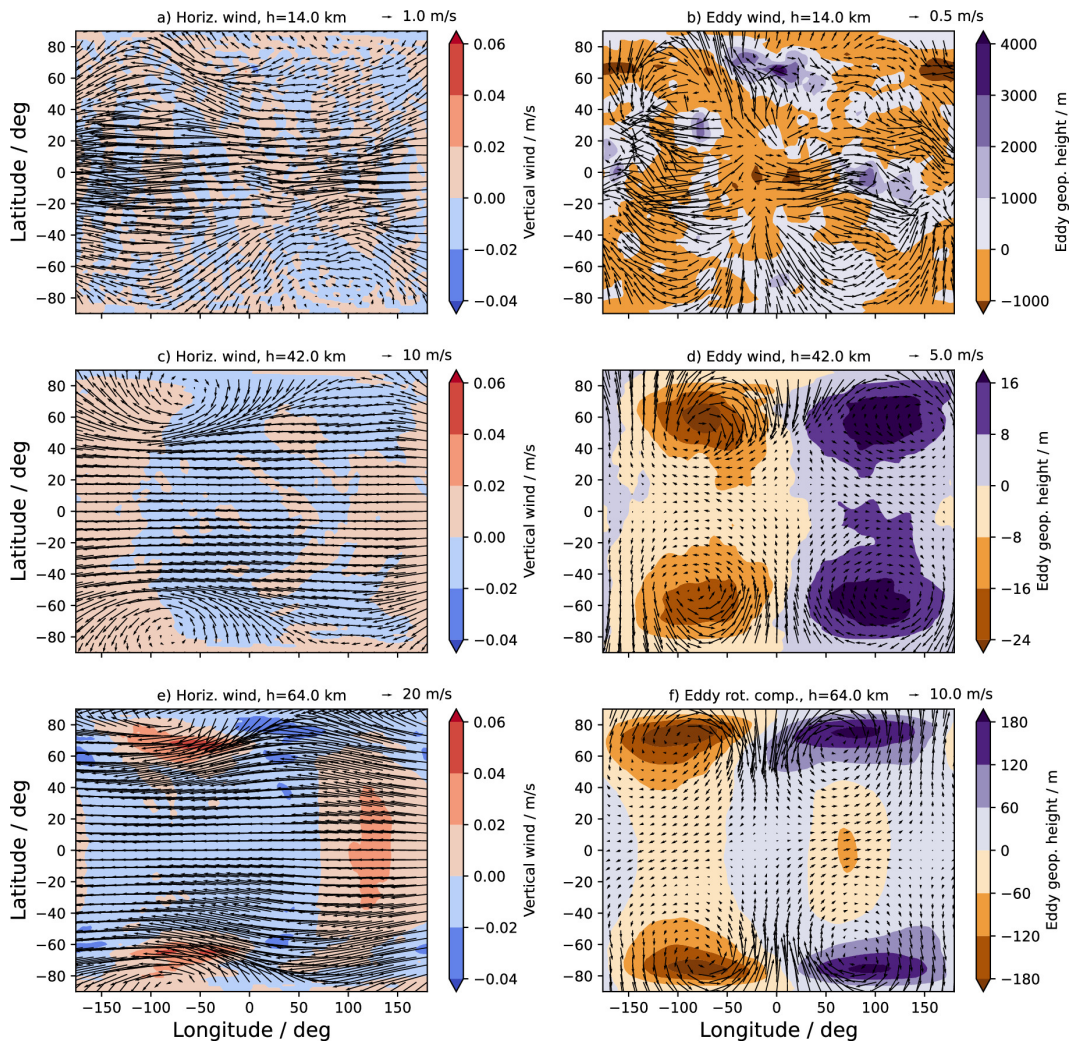


Figure 3: Left column: horizontal (quivers) and vertical (colors) wind at three different altitudes in the VPCM simulation. Right column: eddy winds and eddy geopotential height at the same three altitudes. In b) and d), the eddy wind is the wind field minus the zonal mean. In f), the wind vectors shown are the eddy rotational component derived from a Helmholtz decomposition of the flow. All figures represent a snapshot taken at an identical simulation time with local noon at 135E.

3 Jobs and Positions

PhD Opportunities in Interdisciplinary Space Sciences and Planetary Research (YRP@Graz)

Young Researcher Program in interdisciplinary space science and planetary research (YRP@Graz)

* Space Research Institute of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, Graz, Austria

* University of Graz, Graz, Austria

* Graz University of Technology, Graz, Austria

Graz, Summer 2025

The Young Researcher Program YRP@Graz welcomes applications for PhD positions, supported by the Space Research Institute of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, the University of Graz, and the Graz University of Technology.

The application process has two stages with which we aim to decrease selection biases: The first stage of the application process is anonymised, the second stage takes the form of an interview. To apply for these positions, an anonymous questionnaire (use weblink below) has to be filled in. No further documents are required at this stage of the application process. The form includes among others questions about scientific skills, the candidate's master thesis, information on master courses taken, asks for a statement of interest and a statement about research integrity. Please, submit the form no later than **March 11th, 2025**.

We seek excellent candidates with a strong background in natural sciences. Successful candidates must hold a Master's degree in physics, astrophysics, geosciences, computational chemistry or equivalent at the latest by the starting date of the position but preferably at the time of application. Previous experience on aspects of astrophysics and related fields, and a track record of team work will be beneficial for the selection, as will experience in computational coding and scientific publishing. The appointment can begin **July 01st, 2025**, and will aim for minimum of three years.

The six offered projects are:

- Next Generation Exoplanet Cloud Formation Model
- Coronal dimmings as signatures for CMEs
- Towards an all-sky ion composition detector for the Saturnian system
- Simulation of Deuterium in and above the Venus Atmosphere
- Observations of magnetic buoyancy signatures in the Earth's magnetotail
- Rossby waves in stars

Details about the offered projects and the application process can be found here:

<https://www.oeaw.ac.at/en/iwf/research/young-researcher-program/phd-students>

We are looking forward hearing from you!

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Open tenure-track position

Antígona Segura

Mexico City, Mexico, After August, 2025

One position for astrobiology related research, including exoplanet characterization and habitability, in the Department of Plasma Physics and Radiation-MatterInteraction at the Instituto de Ciencias Nucleares (ICN). ICN is a leading research institute at UNAM, one of the most prestigious universities in Latin America. Our faculty conducts research in diverse areas, including nuclear and atomic, high-energy, plasma, and mathematical physics, gravitation and field theory, astronomy, optics, data science, and chemistry, among others. Deadline for applications: April 4, 2025.

We call on women scientists and scientists from historically underrepresented groups to participate in this process. One of ICN's strategic goals is to expand the plurality of its academic community.

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4 Conferences and Workshops

EPRV 6 workshop announcement (Extremely Precise Radial Velocities)

Susana Barros and Nuno Santos for the SOC and the LOC

Porto, Portugal, 30 June - 3 July 2025

Dear community,

We are happy to announce that the abstract submission and registration for the workshop **Sixth workshop on Extremely Precise Radial Velocities (EPRV6)**, 30 June - 03 July 2025, Porto, Portugal is now open (<https://www.iastro.pt/eprv6>). The abstract submission deadline is the 31st of March.

High resolution spectroscopy and Doppler Radial Velocities (RV) are one of the main battle-horses of exoplanet research. Over the last years, a number of new instruments were commissioned and developed. The data analysis techniques have also been upgraded, with particular improvement on the correction of stellar variability. It is thus a great time to come together to discuss these advancements and pave the way for the next step in RV precision.

Following the tradition of previous workshops, EPRV 6 will provide the latest news on extreme precision RV, focusing on:

- New instrumentation developments and challenges
- Data reduction and post-processing
- Stellar (and solar) variability, and methods of mitigation
- New results in exoplanet research using high-resolution spectroscopy

The maximum attendance (in person) will be 200 persons. The conference will be hybrid, with a reduced fee for online attendance.

Best wishes

Susana Barros and Nuno Santos for the SOC and the LOC

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5 Others

Introducing Physics and Astronomy Reports

Timothy Banks

Istanbul University, 2025

A new journal's editors are excited to announce the recent launch of *Physics and Astronomy Reports*, an open-access, peer-reviewed international journal dedicated to advancing scientific knowledge in the fields of physics and astronomy. Published semi-annually in June and December, the journal aims to provide a platform for high-quality, original research and comprehensive reviews. The inaugural issue was released in 2023.

Physics and Astronomy Reports welcomes submissions from research groups with a particular focus on stellar and exoplanet astronomy. The journal publishes original research articles, invited review articles, and, in special issues approved by the editorial board, high-quality conference proceedings. All submissions must be written in English.

The journal is fully funded by Istanbul University, meaning there are no article processing charges (APCs) or fees for any articles. This ensures that the journal remains open and accessible to all contributors, without any financial barriers. The journal follows a rigorous double-blind peer-review process to ensure the highest academic standards.

For more information on submission guidelines and the journal's scope, please visit: Author Guidelines (<https://iupress.istanbul.edu.tr/en/journal/par/information/author-guidelines>).

The journal editors look forward to receiving your contributions!

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6 As seen on astro-ph

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