

Asteroseismology of the *Kepler* target KIC 9204718

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Abstract. The high precision data obtained by the *Kepler* satellite allows us to detect hybrid-type pulsator candidates more accurately than the data obtained by ground-based observations. In this study, we present preliminary results on the new analysis of the *Kepler* light curve and high-resolution spectroscopic observations of the pulsating Am star KIC 9204718. Our tentative analysis shows that the star has hybrid-type pulsational characteristics.

1 Introduction

New generation space missions provide accurate detections of hybrid-type pulsations in a variety of different stars. Recently, using the data of A stars from the *Kepler* Telescope, [1] reported that six Am stars have been known in the *Kepler* field showing δ Sct type pulsations. The star KIC 9204718 (HD 176843, A3mF0) was first classified as an Am star by [2]. KIC 9204718 was also listed as a marginal Am type star showing δ Sct type pulsations and a possible member of a contact binary system ([3]). Since Am stars were known as a class of non-pulsating variables, this new result makes them very important to test the new diffusion scenario regarding their location in the HR diagram ([4]).

2 *Kepler* photometry

The *Kepler* time-series of KIC 9204718 was used to derive pulsational content. The frequencies were extracted from the Long Cadence data by using the software package SigSpec ([5]). The light curve of KIC 9204718 is therefore dominated by two peaks with frequencies $f_1 = 0.11421 \text{ d}^{-1}$ and $f_2 = 0.024384 \text{ d}^{-1}$.

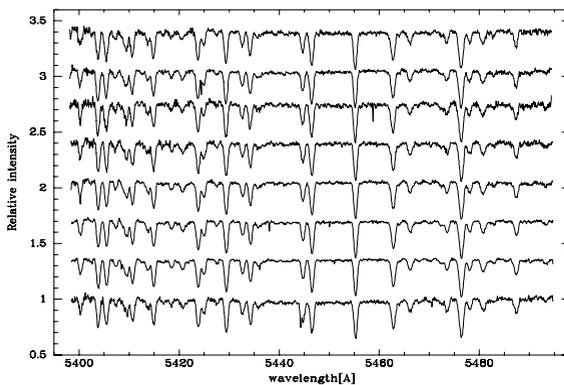
3 Spectroscopic observations

Spectroscopic observations have been carried out with ESPERO, a newly commissioned fiber-fed echelle spectrograph attached to the 2-m RCC telescope of Rozhen National Astronomical Observatory. High dispersion spectroscopic data were used to extract the projected rotational velocity and atmospheric parameters.

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Table 1. Radial velocity measurements of KIC 9204718.

Date	HJD2457+	RV [km/s]	RVerr [km/s]
21.07.2016	591.44155	-14.94	± 1.88
22.07.2016	592.40175	-15.05	± 1.82
23.07.2016	593.44898	-14.85	± 1.80
17.08.2016	618.41679	-16.16	± 1.98
20.08.2016	621.36269	-16.43	± 2.29
15.09.2016	647.48922	-19.71	± 1.94
16.09.2016	648.32971	-19.65	± 2.03
17.09.2016	649.38379	-19.61	± 2.11

**Figure 1.** Normalized spectra of KIC 9204718

4 Conclusion

We have presented preliminary results of both frequency and spectrum analysis of marginal Am type star KIC 9204718 observed by the *Kepler* satellite. The radial velocity measurements reveal not very significant variations (Table 1). The radial velocity is changed in the framework of 5 km/s. A careful check of the obtained spectra does not show any signs of binarity (Figure 1). In conclusion, more observations may enable us to identify at least some of the modes and our present work will support in future asteroseismic studies of this star.

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