

THE SPECTRA AND AXIAL ROTATIONAL VELOCITIES OF THE COMPONENTS OF 116 VISUAL DOUBLE-STAR SYSTEMS

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ABSTRACT

Spectral types, luminosity classes, and axial rotational velocities were estimated for the components of 116 physical visual double-star systems. H-R diagrams for the systems with normal components are compatible with current theories of stellar evolution. No significant differences between the mean rotational velocities for double-star components and single stars were found, either for main-sequence or for giant stars. Absolute magnitudes for normal B-type components of double stars appear to be somewhat higher than determined in earlier calibrations. Absolute magnitudes for 9 metallic-line stars and 9 peculiar A-type stars are consistent with earlier determinations. Absolute magnitudes were derived for a number of additional peculiar stars of interest.

I. INTRODUCTION

The first systematic study of the spectra of visual double stars was carried out by F. C. Leonard, who was interested in obtaining information about stellar evolution. Leonard (1923) wrote: "If the components of a double star had a common origin, a knowledge of the spectral relationships existing in different systems, presumably at various stages in the evolutionary course, might be expected to disclose the general trend and the comparative rates of development of these stars."

During more recent years, a renewed interest in double-star spectra has arisen, stimulated by the new theories of stellar evolution. Observations of star clusters have proved to be of very great importance to stellar evolutionary ideas and focused attention on double stars, which can be regarded as tiny star clusters for this purpose. Following the colorimetric work of Johnson (1953) on 40 physical pairs, a number of investigators initiated spectroscopic and photometric studies of visual binary stars. Of particular importance are the papers of Struve and Franklin (1955), Bidelman (1958), Bakos and Oke (1957, 1959), Stephenson (1960), and, most recently, Berger (1962).

The spectroscopic observations on which this investigation is based were started in 1957, with the aim of concentrating more heavily on the double-star components of early type than had been done up to that time, with particular emphasis on axial rotation characteristics. An additional objective was to determine absolute magnitudes of peculiar components in double-star systems, knowing the absolute magnitude of the normal component and the Δm for the system.

II. OBSERVATIONS

The observing program was originally defined to include all double-star systems in which both components were brighter than magnitude 7.5, separated by at least 4 seconds of arc, declination greater than -20° , with Δm 's listed in the catalogue of Wallenquist (1954). Although the majority of systems observed meet these criteria, a number of interesting systems are included that fall outside this definition. On the other hand, many systems that qualify were not observed, particularly those in which both components are of spectral type F5 or later. The result is an observing program which defies definition but consists essentially of the brighter, northern, wide pairs of early type. A total of 235 stars in 116 physical systems was observed.

Nearly all the spectrograms were taken with the two-prism spectrograph attached to

the Perkins 69-inch telescope in Delaware, Ohio, during the years 1957–1959. This spectrograph with its *Pa* camera gives a dispersion of 28 Å/mm at $H\gamma$. The spectra were taken on Kodak 103a-O plates and widened to 1.5 mm on the plate whenever possible, in order to increase the accuracy of estimating the spectral types and axial rotational velocities. The slit width was held constant for all these observations. In addition, a few systems were photographed with the Yoder spectrograph attached to the Perkins 69-inch telescope at its new site near Flagstaff, Arizona, in collaboration with the Lowell Observatory in the spring of 1962. These spectra and those of the corresponding standard stars were taken on baked Kodak IIa-O plates with a dispersion of 20 Å/mm.

III. SPECTRAL TYPES AND AXIAL ROTATIONAL VELOCITIES

The spectral types and luminosity classes for the double-star components were estimated with the help of a large number of standard-star spectra, taken with the same equipment. A total of 179 MK standards from the list by Johnson and Morgan (1953), including stars of all luminosity classes with spectral types between O9 and M2, was used. Every effort was made to disguise the identity of the stars being classified, so that a knowledge of the system with its observed Δm would not prejudice the classifications. This was not possible for a few of the brighter systems, however, and some observational bias may have crept into these classifications.

The axial rotational velocities were estimated visually by comparing absorption-line widths on spectrograms of double-star components with those of standard stars of measured rotational velocity, observed with the same equipment. Some 140 MK standard stars of spectral type O9–K0 for which rotational velocities had been measured earlier (Slettebak 1954, 1955, 1956; Slettebak and Howard 1955) were used as standards of rotational velocity. Since all plates were taken in the same way, using the same instrumentation, fairly reliable rotational velocities can be obtained by visual estimate if care is taken to obtain good density matches between spectrograms. The minimum value of $v \sin i$ that was just detectable on good-quality plates is near 25 km/sec.

The estimated spectral types and rotational velocities for the double-star components are listed in Table 1, which contains 116 systems that are probably physical. ADS numbers are listed in this table, except for a few systems with BDS numbers only, which are listed in parentheses. The Δm 's in the table are from the list of Wallenquist (1954). A few systems that are not in Wallenquist's catalogue have Δm 's, listed in parentheses, from other sources. Table 2 contains 12 pairs which were observed but which are almost certainly optical doubles. These are listed in the event that the spectral types and rotational velocities might prove useful at some later date and will not be discussed further in this paper.

IV. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

a) H-R Diagrams for Systems with Normal Components

Figures 1 and 2 show the H-R diagrams for binaries with components which were both judged to have normal spectra. Systems in which one component is on the main sequence, while the other component was classified as above the main sequence, are shown in Figure 1. The main-sequence components are plotted on the Keenan (1963) main sequence, and the observed Δm 's are applied to the more luminous components to locate them above the main sequence. The resulting diagram is similar to those published by Struve and Franklin (1955) and by Bidelman (1958), although the observational material is different, and again shows the tendency for the primaries to lie above the main sequence. As the aforementioned authors have pointed out, these results are compatible with the hypothesis that the locations of the primaries in the H-R diagram are the result of nuclear evolution, which proceeds more rapidly in the primaries than in the secondaries.

Systems in which both components were classified as main-sequence stars are shown in Figure 2. The two components are located symmetrically around the Keenan (1963)

Table 1
SPECTRAL TYPES AND AXIAL ROTATIONAL VELOCITIES FOR THE COMPONENTS OF 116 PHYSICAL DOUBLE STAR SYSTEMS

ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_V	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
1 A B	HR 9094	0 ^h 0 ^m 0 ^s	+65° 49'	6.0 7.5	1.50	15"	K1 III A2V shell	<25 250	J,B	See notes.
671 A B	η Cas	0 46.1	+57 33	3.6 7.4	3.79	10"	G0V* K3p	<25 25		See notes.
824 A B	HR 283	0 57.2	+44 27	6.0 6.8	0.84	8"	B9.5V A1V	300 250	L	Spectroscopic binary orbit.
899 A B	ϕ^1 Psc	1 3.0	+21 13	5.6 5.8	0.24	30"	A0V B9V	250 250	Be	
996 A B	ζ Psc	1 11.1	+ 7 19	5.6 6.5	0.96	24"	A7IV F7V	250 25	Be	Spectroscopic binary orbit.
1073 A C	ϕ Cas	1 16.9	+57 58	5.3 7.3	2.04	134"	F0Ia* B6Ib**	<25 25	Be	
1477 A B	α UMi	1 48.8	+89 2	2.1v 8.9	6.78	18"	F8Ib-Cep. F2IV-V:	<25 60;	L,Be	Spectrograph focus poor.
1507 A B	γ Ari	1 50.8	+19 3	4.7 4.8	0.09	8"	A1p B9.5V	50 170	L	Pec-A and sp. variable.
1563 A B	λ Ari	1 55.1	+23 20	4.8 7.3	2.54	37"	F2IV G0V	100 25	Be	
1630 A BC	γ And	2 0.8	+42 6	2.3 5.1	2.85	10"	K2II B9.5V, 2sp.	<25 70;70	L,S	See notes.
(1094) A B	HD 12927 HD 12881	2 6.7	+79 27	6.5 7.1	(0.6)	56"	A5III Am, 2sp.	100; 25; 25		See notes.
1683 A B	59 And	2 7.8	+38 48	6.1 6.7	0.61	17"	B9V A1V	200 300	Be	
1982 A B	30 Ari	2 34.1	+24 26	6.6 7.3	0.73	39"	F4IV F6V	30 30		Spectroscopic binary orbit.
2270 A B	HR 890	2 57.3	+52 9	5.4 6.8	1.43	12"	B7V B9V	200 200	L,Be	
(1731) A B	HD 21700 HD 21685	3 28.0	+27 34	7.1 7.5	(0.4)	44"	A1V A3V	100 250		

Table 1 (Cont.)

ADS or (SDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_V	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
2582 A B	HR 1065	$3^h 28^m 3$	$+27^{\circ} 24'$	6.5 6.9	0.42	11"	A2V A3V	100 100	L	
2850 A B	32 Eri	3 51.8	- 3 6	4.9 6.3	1.44	7"	G5III A1V	<25 180	L,S	
2888 A B	ϵ Per	3 54.5	+39 52	3.0 8.1	5.11	9"	B0.5V* B8V:	160 300:	Be	
2984 A B	HR 1260	4 3.4	+62 12	7.0v 7.1	0.08	18"	B0III B0III	275 160:		See notes.
3085 A B	HR 1322	4 12.8	+ 6 4	6.5 7.1	0.58	65"	G0V G8V	<25 <25	S	Weak CaII K-line emission.
3274 A B	1 Cam	4 28.1	+53 48	5.9 6.9	1.02	10"	B0III* B0V	275 <25	Be	
3317 A B	88 Tau	4 32.9	+10 4	4.4 7.9	3.48	70"	Au F8V	<25 <25		See notes.
(2313) A B	τ Tau +22 ⁰ 5715	4 39.2	+22 52	4.3 7.3	2.95	63"	B3V A1V	150 100	Be	Spectroscopic binary orbit.
3409 A B	55 Eri	4 41.2	- 8 53	6.7 6.8	0.13	9"	G8III F5III	<25 60	L,B	
3597 A B	HR 1610	4 57.8	+ 3 33	6.6 7.1	0.47	21"	B8V B9V	350 350		
3910 A B	HR 1753	5 17.1	-18 34	6.2 6.4	(0.2)	39"	B5V A0 pec.?	<25 80		See notes.
3962 A B	23 Ori	5 20.2	+ 3 30	5.0 7.1	2.12	32"	B1V** B3V:	350 300	Be	
4068 A B	118 Tau	5 26.2	+25 7	5.9 6.7	0.82	5"	B9V A0V	150 200	L	
4131 A B	HR 1847	5 29.3	+17 1	6.1 6.5	0.40	10"	B7III B7IV	50 300		
4134 A C	6 Ori	5 29.4	- 0 20	2.5 7.0	4.54	53"	O9.5II* B2V**	140 85	Be	Spectroscopic binary orbit.
4179 A B	λ Ori	5 32.4	+ 9 54	3.7 5.7	1.98	4"	O8** B0V	75 125	L	

Table 1 (Cont.)

ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_V	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
4182 A B	HR 1887	$5^h 32^m 6$	- 6° 2'	4.7 5.7	0.96	36"	B0.5V B1V**	≤ 5 ≤ 5	Be	
4186 A B C D	θ^1 Ori	5 32.8	- 5 25	7.0 8.0 5.4 6.9	CA=1.55 CB=2.63 CD=1.48	CA=13" CB=17" CD=13"	B0.5V: B1V:: O6** O9.5V:	75: 200: 120: 50:		See notes.
4188 A B	θ^2 Ori	5 32.9	- 5 27	5.2 6.5	1.34	52"	O9.5V** B0.5V	165: ≤ 5		See notes.
4193 A B	ι Ori	5 33.0	- 5 56	2.9 7.4	4.53	11"	O9III* B3p	100 50	Be	Spectroscopic binary orbit.
4262 A B	HR 1945	5 38.2	+29 28	6.8 7.4	0.64	26"	B7V B9.5V	200 120	Be	
4749 A B	HR 2174	6 6.4	+ 2 31	5.9 7.1	1.21	29"	A1V shell A0V	250 120	Be	See notes.
4773 A B	41 Aur	6 7.8	+48 44	6.1 6.9	0.83	8"	A2V A5V	120 120	L,Be	
5012 A B	8 Mon	6 21.1	+ 4 37	4.5 6.7	2.18	13"	A5III F5V	125 ≤ 5	L,Be	
6012 A B	19 Lyn	7 18.8	+55 23	5.6 6.6	1.03	15"	B8IV B9V	80 250	Be	Spectroscopic binary orbit.
6175 A B	α Gem	7 31.4	+32 0	2.0 3.0	0.98	5"	A1V Am	≤ 5 ≤ 5	L	See notes.
6255 A B	HR 2948	7 36.8	-26 41	4.5 4.7	0.16	10"	B6V B7V	60 200		
6815 A B	ϕ^2 Cnc	8 23.8	+27 6	6.3 6.3	0.04	5"	A5III A3IV	150 120	L	
6988 A B	ι Cnc	8 43.7	+28 57	4.2 6.8	2.57	31"	G8III A3V	≤ 5 200	SP,B	
7093 A B	17 Hya	8 53.0	- 7 47	6.7 6.9	(0.2)	4"	Am Am	≤ 5 50	L	See notes.
7311 A B	27 Hya	9 18.0	- 9 20	5.0 6.9	(1.9)	229"	G8III F5V::	≤ 5 ≤ 60	B,S	See notes.

Table 1 (Cont.)

ADS or (BDS)	Design.	α (1950)	δ (1950)	m_V	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
7627 A C	HR 3963	10 ^h 1 ^m 7 ^s	-17°51'	6.2 7.0	(0.8)	21"	A0III,IV: AIV	≤ 5 50		
7654 A B	α Leo	10 5.7	+12 13	1.3 7.9	6.55	176"	B7V* K0Vb	350 ≤ 5		See notes.
7705 A B	HR 4021	10 13.9	+71 19	6.6 7.3	0.70	17"	Am Am	≤ 5 ≤ 5	L,Be	See notes.
7979 A B	54 Leo	10 52.9	+25 1	4.5 6.4	1.89	6"	AOV AIV	180 250	L,Be	
8347 A D	65 UMa	11 52.5	+46 45	6.5 6.9	0.39	63"	A3V A2p	150 ≤ 5	Be	Close visual binary, 7.2:9.0. Pec-A of 78 Vir Type.
8568 A B	17 Com	12 26.4	+26 11	5.4 6.8	1.37	145"	A0p Am	≤ 5 ≤ 5	Be	Pec-A of 78 Vir Type. See notes.
8600 A B	24 Com	12 32.6	+18 39	5.2 6.8	1.63	20"	K2III Am, 2sp.	≤ 5 ≤ 5 ; ≤ 5	B	See notes.
8630 A B	7 Vir	12 39.1	- 1 11	3.7 3.7	0.02	6"	FOV FOV	≤ 5 ≤ 5	L,SF	
8657 A B	HD 110886	12 42.7	- 3 37	6.8 7.6	0.75	16"	FOIII: FOV::	200: 120:	Be	See notes.
8682 A B	HR 4893	12 48.6	+83 41	5.3 5.8	0.53	22"	A2V shell AOV + A2V	250 ≤ 5 ; ≤ 5	Be	See notes.
8706 A B	α CVn	12 53.7	+38 35	2.9 5.5	2.62	20"	A0p FOV	≤ 5 ≤ 5	L,J	See notes.
8891 A B	ζ UMa	13 21.9	+55 11	2.4 4.1	1.66	15"	A2V, 2sp. Am	≤ 5 ; ≤ 5 50		See notes.
(6498) A B	HR 5074	13 25.4	+65 0	6.7 7.1	0.39	69"	F2V F3V	≤ 5 ≤ 30		
A B	3 Cen	13 48.9	-32 45	4.7 6.2	1.49	8"	B5Vp B9V	≤ 5 150		See notes.
9173 A B	κ Boo	14 11.7	+52 1	4.6 6.8	2.18	13"	A7IV F2V	140 40	J,Be	
9247 A BC	HR 5386	14 20.9	+ 8 40	5.1 6.8	1.67	6"	AOV A9V	100 70	L	Close visual binary, 7.4:7.4

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ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_V	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
9258 A B	HR 5397	$14^h 22^m$	$-19^\circ 45'$	6.4 7.0	0.55	35"	A2V A4V	80 60		See notes.
9277 A B	HR 5415	14 26.4	+28 31	7.0 7.5	0.49	25"	A0V A0V	100 80		
9338 A B	π Boo	14 38.4	+16 38	4.9 5.8	0.92	6"	B9p A5V	<25 150	L	Pec-A of Mn type. Could be mild Am star.
	9 α L1b 8 α L1b	14 48.1	-15 50	2.9 5.3	(2.4)	231"	A3V F2V	80 <25		
9474 A B	HD 132910	14 58.1	+54 4	6.8 7.6	0.77	41"	F0IV F2IV	80 <30	Be	
9494 A B	44 Boo	15 2.1	+47 51	5.3 6.0v	0.70	3"	G2V G, 2sp.	<30 Large	L	See notes.
9626 A BC	μ Boo	15 22.6	+37 31	4.5 6.8	2.27	108"	F0IV G1V	90 <25	J	Close visual binary, 7.2:7.8.
9701 A B	δ Ser	15 32.4	+10 42	4.2 5.3	1.09	4"	F0IV F0IV-V	80 70	L	
9728 A B	HR 5816	15 36.0	- 8 38	6.5 6.6	0.09	12"	F7V F7V	<25 <25	L, SF	
9737 A B	ζ CrB	15 37.5	+36 48	5.1 6.0	0.95	6"	B6V, 2sp. B7V	100:100: <25	L, Be	
9913 A C	β Sco	16 2.5	-19 40	2.9 5.1	2.25	14"	B0.5V, 2sp. B2V $\frac{1}{2}$	85(br) 85	L	
9951 A C	ν Sco	16 9.1	-19 21	4.3 6.6	2.28	41"	B2V B9Vp	200 70:		See notes.
9979 A B	σ CrB	16 12.8	+33 59	5.8 6.8	1.01	5"	F8V, 2sp. G1V	<25 ; <25 <30	L	See notes.
10129 A B C	17 Dra 16 Dra	16 35.0	+53 1	5.6 6.6 5.7	AB=1.03 AC=0.10	AB=4" AC=91"	B9V A0V B9.5V	220 250 75		
10149 A B	37 Her 36 Her	16 38.2	+ 4 19	5.7 6.8	1.08	70"	A0V A5V	140 80	Be	Could be a mild Am star.
10526 A B	ρ Her	17 22.0	+37 11	4.5 5.5	0.95	4"	A0p B9.5V	80 200	L	Pec-A of Si type.

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ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_V	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
10628 A B	25v ² Dra 24v ¹ Dra	17 ^h 31 ^m 2	+55°13'	4.9 4.9	0.03	62"	Am Am	60 ≤5	J	See notes.
10635 A B	53 Oph	17 32.2	+ 9 37	5.8 7.8	1.97	41"	A2V FOIV	≤5 150	Be	
10750 A B	61 Oph	17 42.0	+ 2 36	6.3 6.7	0.40	21"	A0IV-V AOV	90 120		
10759 A B	† Dra	17 42.8	+72 11	4.9 6.1	1.18	31"	F5IV F8V	≤5 ≤5	Be	
10966 A C	67 Oph	17 58.1	+ 2 56	3.9 8.2	4.30	55"	B5Ib* B3V	≤5 150	Be	
10993 A B	95 Her	17 59.4	+21 36	5.1 5.2	0.13	6"	A1V G5III	180 ≤5	L, SF, S	
11046 A B	70 Oph	18 2.9	+ 2 31	4.3 6.1	1.79	6"	K0V* K4V	≤5 ≤5		See notes.
11056 A B	HR 6758	18 3.4	+12 0	7.0 7.5	0.46	7"	A5IV A8p	250 ≤5	L	Pec-A of β CrB type.
11061 A B	41 Dra 40 Dra	18 3.8	+80 0	5.8 6.2	0.38	20"	F7V F7V	≤5 ≤5	J	Only one spectrum visible.
11089 A B	100 Her	18 5.8	+26 5	5.9 6.0	0.04	14"	A3V A3V	180 180	J	
11336 A B	39 Dra	18 23.2	+58 46	4.9 7.7	2.76	4"	A1V* A5pec	180: 80		Only one spectrum visible. Metallic lines weak.
11593 A B	HR 7033	18 40.3	+34 42	6.1 7.7	1.64	25"	B3V B8V	130 150	Be	Close visual binary.
11635 A B	ϵ^1 Lyr	18 42.7	+39 37	5.1 6.2	1.10	3"	A5V A7V	200 150	L	
11639 A D	ζ Lyr	18 43.0	+37 33	4.3 5.7	1.38	44"	Am FOIV	≤5 250	J, SF, Be	See notes.
11667 A B	5 Aql	18 43.9	- 1 1	5.9 7.5	1.59	13"	Am Am	≤5 ≤5	L	See notes.
11745 A B	β Lyr	18 48.2	+33 18	3.4-4.3 7.8	(4.4)	47"	var. B6V	- 120		See notes.

Table 1 (Cont.)

ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_v	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
11853 A B	θ Ser	18 ^h 53 ^m 7	+ 4 ^o 8'	4.5 4.9	0.37	22"	A5V A7V	130 220	J	
11870 A B	HR 7199	18 55.2	+75 43	6.6 7.4	0.79	6"	A0V A2V	100 150		
12540 A B	β Cyg	19 28.7	+27 51	3.2 5.3	2.14	35"	K3II:+B: B8Ve	<25(K) 250	L,B	See notes.
12815 A B	16 Cyg	19 40.6	+50 24	6.3 6.5	0.24	39"	G2V* G5V*	<25 <25	J	
12893 A B	HR 7529	19 43.8	+35 58	6.5 7.0	0.50	15"	B9P B9.5V	50 250		See notes.
(9705) A B	HD 188211 HD 188212	19 51.2	+20 13	7.2 7.4	0.20	42"	A1V Am	<25 60		See notes.
13087 A B	57 Aql	19 51.9	- 8 21	5.8 6.5	(0.7)	36"	B6V B8V	350 250		
13148 A B	ϕ Cyg	19 54.4	+52 18	4.9 7.4	2.53	3"	A3IV A7V	300 120		
13554 A C	31 Cyg	20 12.0	+46 35	4.0 7.1	3.13	107"	K2II+B3V B5V	<25(K) <25	S	See notes.
13902 A B	$\circ$ Cap	20 27.0	-18 45	6.1 6.9	0.78	22"	A2V A8V	350 150	J	
14279 A B	γ Del	20 44.4	+15 57	4.5 5.4	0.93	10"	K2IV F8V	<25 <25	L,J,SF, B,S	
14636 A B	61 Cyg	21 4.7	+38 28	5.6 6.4	0.79	>26"	K5V* K7V*	<25 <25	J,SF	Ca II H and K emission.
14720 A C	HR 8107	21 8.8	+47 29	6.4 7.2	0.82	135"	B5V M5III	120 <25		See notes.
15032 A B	β Cep	21 28.0	+70 20	3.3 ^v 7.9	4.56	14"	B2III A1V::	<25 60:	Be	Spectrum somewhat contaminated.
15147 A B	3 Peg	21 35.2	+ 6 24	6.3 7.7	1.43	39"	A1V F2V	100 30	J,Be	
15405 A B	HR 8357	21 50.3	+55 33	5.6 6.5	0.88	19"	B7V A1p	120: 60		See notes.

Table 1 (Cont.)

ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_v	Δm	Sep.	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Ref.	Remarks
15434 A B	HD 208392	21 ^h 52 ^m .4	+62°22'	7.1 7.9	0.83	62"	B0.5V B1V	300 140		See notes.
15493 A B	HD 208718	21 55.5	+ 5 42	7.1 7.6	0.45	11"	Am F2V	60 120		See notes.
15571 A B	HR 8423	22 0.4	+82 38	7.1 7.6	0.47	14"	F7V G5V, 2sp.	30 -	J	$v \sin i$ estimate impossible.
15600 A B	ξ Cep	22 2.2	+64 23	4.6 6.6	2.03	7"	Am F7V	50 ≤25		See notes.
15987 A C	δ Cep	22 27.3	+58 10	3.7-4.6 6.6	(2.5)	41"	Ceph B8V	- 140	L, Be	
16095 A B	8 Lac	22 33.6	+39 23	5.8 6.5	0.73	22"	B1(V)e B2V	350 50	Be	See notes.

Notes to Table 1

Spectral types designated by an asterisk are MK types from the list of Johnson and Morgan (1953). Those designated by a double asterisk are from the list of Morgan, Code and Whitford (1955). All others are estimated by the writer, except as noted.

The Δm 's are from the catalogue of Wallenquist (1954), except for those in parentheses.

References given in the 10th column are to the following authors:

B = Bidelman (1958).
 Be = Berger (1962).
 J = Johnson (1953).
 L = Leonard (1923).
 S = Stephenson (1960).
 SF = Struve and Franklin (1955).

Notes on individual stars:

ADS 1 B. The over-all type is A2V, but the Balmer lines have sharp and deep absorption cores with wide Stark-broadened wings, the K-line is sharp with some wings, and the Fe II lines at 4233, 4351, and 4549 Å are sharp, while all other lines show considerable rotational broadening. The spectrum is that of a shell star of rather late type (plate taken Sep., 1957).

ADS 671 B. The Ca II H- and K-lines show sharp emission cores. The absorption spectrum is peculiar and suggests that of a late-type, metal-poor dwarf. Ca I 4226 has a rather sharp core and broad wings, and the G-band also has a peculiar appearance. The chromium-iron ratio suggests a type near K3, according to P. C. Keenan.

ADS 1630. The spectral type for the primary is by P. C. Keenan, as quoted in the paper by Maestre and Wright (1960). The secondary consists of a close visual binary, the brighter component of which is a spectroscopic binary with two spectra visible. The latter are of approximately the same type (B9.5V) with approximately the same $v \sin i$ (70 km/sec).

BDS 1094. The primary has peculiar-looking absorption lines: rather sharp cores with diffuse wings. The secondary is a spectroscopic binary with two spectra visible. Abt (1961) has derived orbital elements. Both components of B are metallic-line stars with A3 K-lines, A7 Balmer lines, and F2 metallic lines, and both have apparently sharp lines on the Perkins plate.

- ADS 2984. Morgan, Code and Whitford (1955) gave a combined type of BO II-III for the two components. The primary is SZ Cas, a 2.7 day eclipsing system. The absorption lines look somewhat different on two plates of the secondary taken a few days apart; this star might also be double.
- ADS 3317 A. Spectroscopic binary orbit. Only one spectrum visible, which is that of a metallic-line star with A3 K-line, A5 Balmer lines, and A7 metallic lines.
- ADS 3910 B. The metallic lines are somewhat weak for A0 III. This could be a λ Bootis-type star. The system is probably physical, but there is some doubt.
- ADS 4186. Nebular emission complicates the classification of all four components. B is a spectroscopic binary with orbit computed.
- ADS 4188. Nebular emission complicates the classification of both components. A is a spectroscopic binary with orbit computed.
- ADS 4193 B. Helium lines too weak for this type. Balmer lines also somewhat weak relative to main-sequence star of this type.
- ADS 4749 A. A plate taken in February, 1958 shows a shell spectrum almost identical with that of ADS 1 B, though of slightly earlier type. Another plate taken in March, 1959 shows the shell spectrum considerably weakened, although the Fe II lines are still sharp and fairly prominent.
- ADS 6175. Both components are spectroscopic binaries with orbits computed. B is a metallic-line star with A1 K-line, A3 Balmer lines, and A5 metallic lines.
- ADS 7093. A is a metallic-line star with A3 K-line, A3 Balmer lines, and F2 metallic lines. B is also a metallic-line star, with A4 K-line, A5 Balmer lines, and F0 metallic lines.
- ADS 7311. The system is probably physical but there is some doubt.
- ADS 7627 C. Sr II 4077 is rather strong for this type.
- ADS 7654 B. The star may be on the lower edge of the main sequence, according to P. C. Keenan. The Balmer lines and Sr II 4077, 4216 are weak, and there is no trace of CN.
- ADS 7705. Both components are metallic-line stars with very similar spectra on the Perkins plates: A9 K-line, A9 Balmer lines, and F5 metallic lines.
- ADS 8568 B. A3 K-line, A5 Balmer lines, and F2 metallic lines.
- ADS 8600 B. This is a spectroscopic binary with both components metallic-line stars. The composite type is: A5 K-line, A7 Balmer lines, and F2 metallic lines.
- ADS 8657. The system is probably physical but there is some doubt.
- ADS 8682. The primary shows a shell spectrum on plates taken in April and July in 1958 and in June, 1960 which is similar to that of ADS 1 B. Again the Balmer lines, K-line, and Fe II lines show sharp cores, while other lines are diffuse. The wings of the Balmer lines and K-line seem somewhat stronger in 1960 than in 1958. He I does not appear on any of the plates. A 103a-F plate taken in June, 1960 shows H γ as a strong absorption line. The secondary component shows two spectra of types near A0V and A2V, both with apparently sharp lines on the Perkins plates.
- ADS 8706 A. Spectroscopic binary with orbit computed. Also peculiar-A star and spectrum variable.
- ADS 8891 B. A2 K-line, A2 Balmer lines, and A7 metallic lines. Spectroscopic binary with orbit computed.

- 3 Cen A. The unusual spectrum of this star was first pointed out by Bidelman (1960). Later, Sargent and Jugaku (1961), showed the existence of He3 in the spectrum.
- ADS 9258 B. Close visual binary, 7.6:8.8. This could also be a mild Am star.
- ADS 9494. Perkins spectrograms available only for the primary. The secondary is a W U Ma-type binary, which has been studied spectroscopically by Fopper (1943).
- ADS 9951. Both components are close visual binaries: A is a 4.4:6.4 pair while C has 6.8:7.8 components. The spectrum of C has the Si II 4128-4130 lines too strong for the assigned type of B9V.
- ADS 9979 A. Both spectra are similar and of about the same strength. This component also shows double Ca II H and K emission.
- ADS 10628. A has A3 K-line, A7 Balmer lines and F2 metallic lines, while B has A4 K-line, A7 Balmer lines, and F0 metallic lines. v^2 is a spectroscopic binary with orbit computed.
- ADS 11046 A. Spectroscopic binary with orbit computed. Single weak and narrow emission components of Ca II H and K are visible.
- ADS 11639 A. A4 K-line, A7 Balmer lines, and F0 metallic lines. Also spectroscopic binary with orbit computed.
- ADS 11667. The primary has A2 K-line, A2 Balmer lines, and F0 metallic lines, while the secondary has A5 K-line, A7 Balmer lines, and F2 metallic lines.
- ADS 11745 A. The spectrum is complicated by emission: spectral types ranging from B6 I, II to B8 Ia were obtained from three Perkins plates.
- ADS 12540 A. Spectral type by W. W. Morgan, as quoted in Stebbins and Kron (1956). No rotational velocity estimate for the B-type component possible.
- ADS 12893. The system is probably physical but there is some doubt. The primary appears to be a peculiar A-star of the silicon type, but the spectral type is close to B9 IV.
- BDS 9705 B. A7 K-line, A7 Balmer lines, F2 metallic lines.
- ADS 13534 A. Spectral type by Bidelman (1951). No rotational velocity estimate for the B-type component possible.
- ADS 14720. This may not be a physical system. The spectral type of the secondary is due to P. C. Keenan.
- ADS 15405. Only one spectrum visible on Perkins plate of primary. The secondary is a peculiar A-star of the θ Aurigae type, with strong Si II and Sr II lines.
- ADS 15434. The system is probably physical but there is some doubt.
- ADS 15493 A. A3 K-line, A5 Balmer lines, and F2 metallic lines.
- ADS 15600 A. A3 K-line, F0 Balmer lines, and F5 metallic lines.
- ADS 16095. Spectral types by Morgan in the list of Johnson and Morgan (1953).

Table 2
SPECTRAL TYPES AND AXIAL ROTATIONAL VELOCITIES FOR 12 OPTICAL PAIRS

ADS or (BDS)	Design.	$\alpha(1950)$	$\delta(1950)$	m_V	Sp. Type	$v \sin i$ (km/sec)	Remarks
639 A B	HD 4372	0^h43^m7	$+30^{\circ}40'$	7.4 7.5	K1IV K2III	≤ 25 ≤ 25	
1534 A B	56 And	1 53.2	+37 1	5.8 6.1	K2III K5III	≤ 25 ≤ 25	
2735 A B	HD 23245	3 41.6	+27 45	6.7 6.8	F2V G2V	60 ≤ 25	
3615 A B	β Cam	4 59.0	+60 22	4.2 7.6	G0Ib* F0IV	≤ 25 100	
(2480) A B	11 Cam 12 Cam	5 1.8	+58 54	5.3 6.4	B3(V:)e K0III	125 ≤ 25	
8659 A B	HD 110932	12 42.9	+14 39	6.8 7.4	B8V F6V	90 ≤ 25	
9933 A B	κ Her	16 5.8	+17 11	5.3 6.5	G5III K2II	≤ 25 ≤ 25	
11035 A B	HD 165502	18 2.0	+56 25	7.1 7.5	F0V A3V	60 120	
12007 A B	15 Aql	19 2.3	- 4 6	5.5 7.1	K1III K4III	≤ 25 ≤ 25	Type by P. C. Keenan. Type by P. C. Keenan.
	48 Cyg HR 7887	20 35.5	+31 24	6.3 6.4	B9Vp F0V	80 150	Si II strong.
14702 A D	7 Equ 6 Equ	21 7.9	+ 9 56	4.8 6.0	F0p A2V	≤ 25 60	Sr II, Eu II strong.
	HD 208947 HD 208971	21 55.9	+65 55	6.3 6.7	B2V M2III	250 ≤ 25	Type by P. C. Keenan.

main sequence, using the observed Δm to separate them in absolute magnitude. Figure 3 shows those systems in which both components were classified as normal stars above the main sequence, again using the observed Δm 's to separate the components in absolute magnitude. The figures are essentially self-explanatory and show the distribution of spectral types selected for investigation.

b) Axial Rotation in Double-Star Components with Normal Spectra

Average values of $v \sin i$ for double-star components of various spectral types and luminosity classes are listed in Table 3. For comparison purposes, the corresponding val-

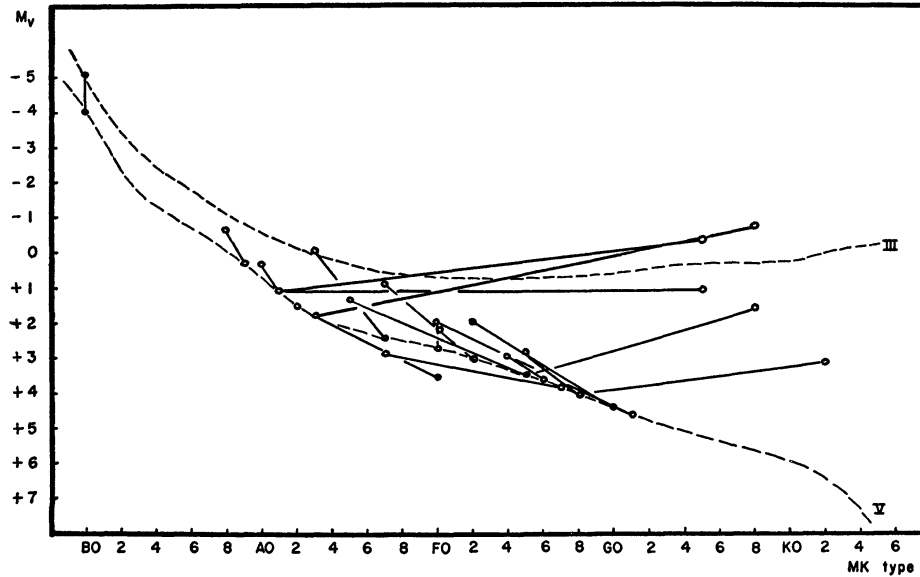


FIG. 1.—H-R diagram for binaries with normal spectra for both components, one being judged to be on the main sequence and the other above the main sequence.

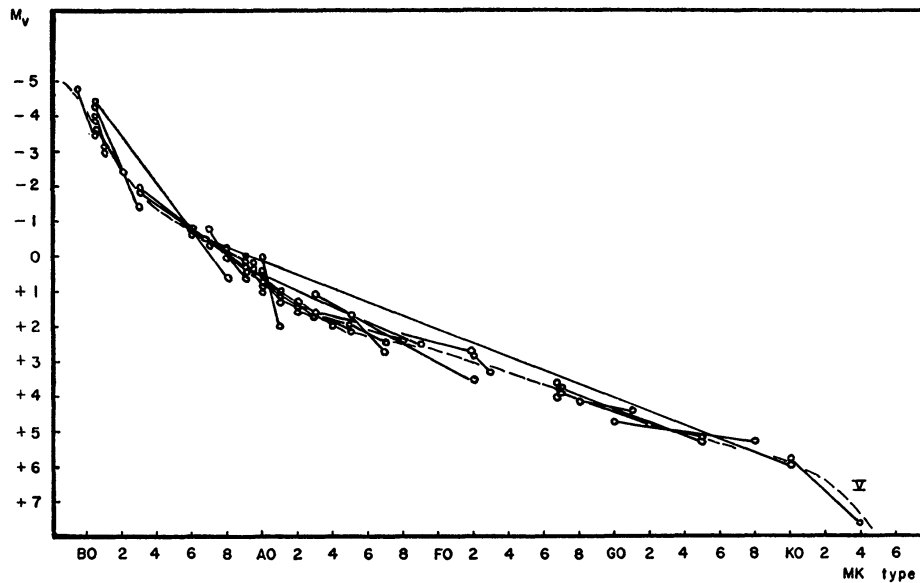


FIG. 2.—H-R diagram for binaries in which both components were classified as normal main-sequence stars.

ues for single stars are also listed. The comparison is expressed in graphical form in Figure 4. The average values for single stars were obtained from the writer's earlier papers on stellar axial rotation by removing visual binaries and spectroscopic binaries with computed orbits or two spectra visible from the statistical discussion.

There appear to be no significant differences in the mean rotational velocities for double-star components and single stars. Both classes of stars show the same general dependence of axial rotation on spectral type, including the greater rotation in F-type giant stars as against main-sequence stars of corresponding type.

Struve and Franklin (1955) state a general rule for the double-star components that they investigated: the rotation, unless it is zero in both components, is larger in the one of earlier type. The stars included in this study do not strictly obey such a rule, although,

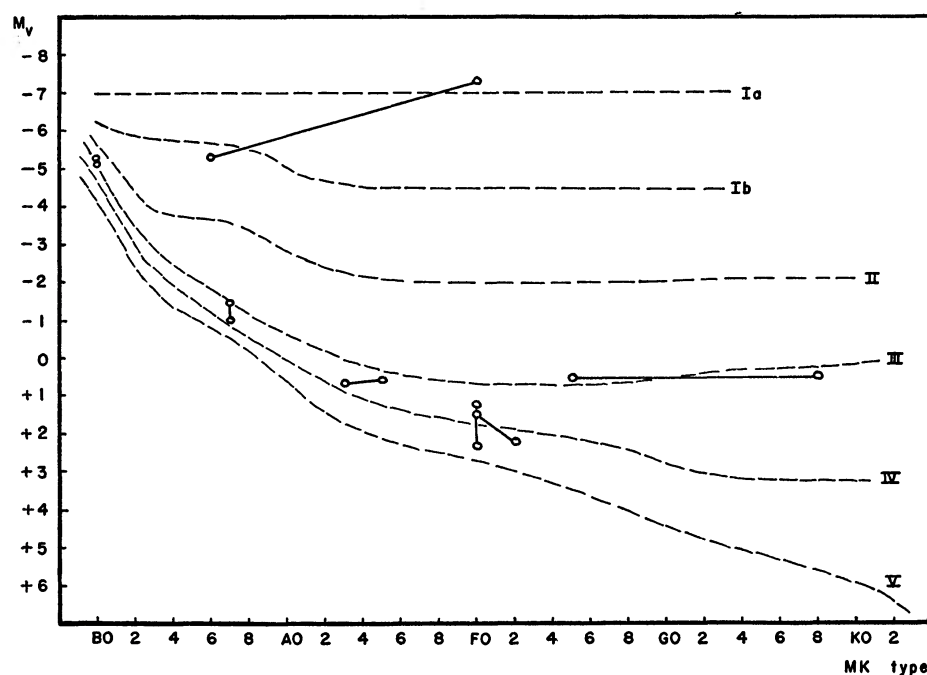


FIG. 3.—H-R diagram for binaries in which both components were classified as normal stars, above the main sequence.

statistically, their rotational velocities show the same trend across the H-R diagram as do single stars. The difference between the present results and those of Struve and Franklin probably lies largely in the selection of stars. Struve and Franklin considered primarily stars of type F0 and later, where axial rotation is falling off very rapidly with spectral type, as shown in Figure 4, while this investigation includes large numbers of A- and B-type stars as well. The rule of Struve and Franklin, then, may hold for the stars of late A and F type but does not appear to be valid across the entire H-R diagram.

c) Absolute Magnitudes of Double-Star Components

One of the original objectives in undertaking this spectroscopic study of double-star components was to derive absolute magnitudes for certain peculiar stars of special interest. At the same time, it was hoped that an independent calibration of the Morgan-Keenan luminosity classes might be achieved for some classes of normal stars. The results of such analyses of the data in Table 1 have been somewhat disappointing, in that the uncertainties in the derived absolute magnitudes are considerable. Although some of this uncertainty can be attributed to the Δm 's, relatively few of which were determined pho-

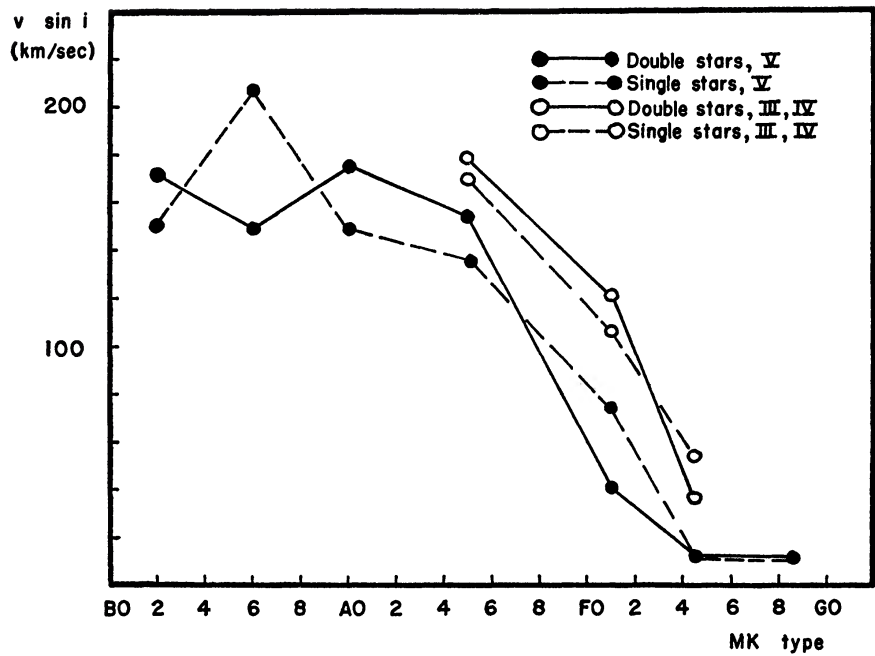


FIG. 4 — Comparison of axial rotational velocities of double-star components with those of single stars of corresponding type.

TABLE 3
COMPARISON OF AXIAL ROTATIONAL VELOCITIES OF DOUBLE-STAR COMPONENTS WITH THOSE OF SINGLE STARS OF CORRESPONDING TYPE

SPECTRAL TYPE	DOUBLE-STAR COMPONENTS		SINGLE STARS	
	$\langle v \sin i \rangle$ (km/sec)	No of Stars	$\langle v \sin i \rangle$ (km/sec)	No of Stars
B1-3 { ^V III, IV	172	10	150	54
			96	17
B5-7 { ^V III, IV	149	11	208	30
	133	3	128	28
B8-2 { ^V III, IV	175	45	147	70
			77	20
A3-7 { ^V III, IV	154	15	136	32
	179	8	170	20
F0-2 { ^V III, IV	41	9	74	12
	121	8	106	22
F3-6 { ^V III, IV	≤ 25	4	≤ 25	8
	36	2	54	10
F7-G0 { ^V III, IV	≤ 25	8	≤ 25	16
			44	4

toelectrically, the largest part is probably due to the spectral classification. A large number of A-type stars are included in Table 1, for example, and luminosity classes of A-type stars near the main sequence are very difficult to estimate. An error of up to a magnitude is entirely possible in the luminosity classification of one of the components, and the full error is then thrown into the absolute magnitude derived for the other component. The following results are presented in the hope that they may have some intrinsic interest, even though uncertainties exist.

The visual absolute magnitude calibration by Keenan (1963) was used throughout for the normal components. Unless otherwise noted, values of Δm were taken from the Wallenquist (1954) catalogue whenever possible. Whenever appropriate, corrections for multiplicity of the components were made.

Normal main-sequence stars of early type.—The method of Lundmark and Luyten (1923), rediscussed by Luyten in 1957, was applied to the systems in Table 1 in which

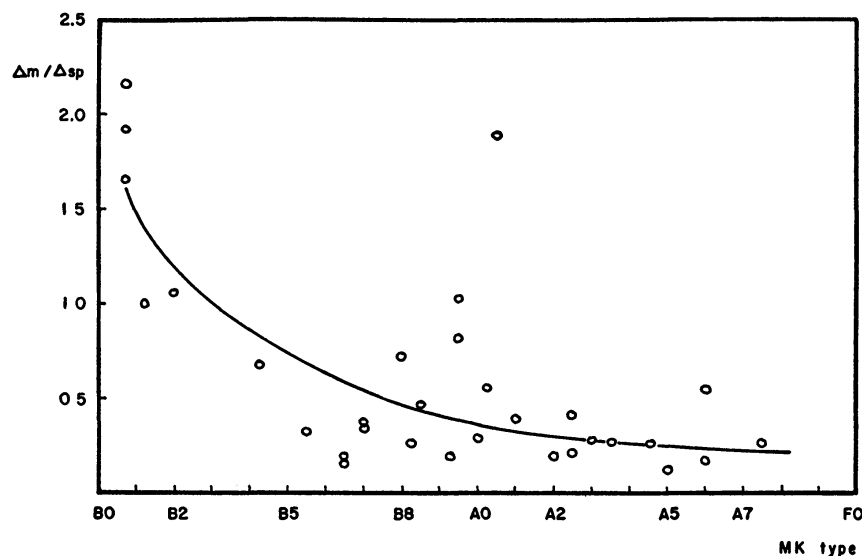


FIG. 5.—The difference in magnitude per tenth of a whole spectral class along the main sequence, as a function of spectral type, for 31 systems.

both components were estimated to be normal main-sequence stars. Values of $\Delta m/\Delta sp$, the difference in magnitude per tenth of a whole spectral class along the main sequence, are plotted against spectral type in Figure 5 for 31 systems. Despite the large scatter, a curve was drawn through the points and visual absolute magnitudes computed for main-sequence stars of types B2–A7, using the Keenan (1963) value of $M_v = +0.6$ for A0 V stars. The results are tabulated in Table 4. Individual values are not too meaningful, particularly for the earliest types, but it is interesting to note that, while the calibration from double-star components agrees fairly well for the A- and late B-type stars, the early and middle B-type stars are more luminous than indicated in the Keenan calibration.

Metallic-line stars.—Nine of the systems in Table 1 were found to consist of a metallic-line star plus a star with normal spectrum, four systems contain pairs of metallic-line stars, and one system consists of a metallic-line star with a companion peculiar A-type star. The afore-mentioned nine systems are listed in Table 5, with the visual absolute magnitudes derived for the metallic-line star components.

The range of visual absolute magnitudes in Table 5 is large, and there is no apparent correlation between M_v and the K-line types, Balmer-line types, metallic-line types, or “metallicity” for individual stars. The average visual absolute magnitude for the nine stars is $+1.7$ for a mean Balmer-line type of A6, which falls approximately in the middle

of previous determinations by a number of authors. The paper by the Jascheks (1959) summarizes the earlier work. It is interesting to note that the present determination would place the metallic-line stars, on the average, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mag. above the main sequence for their Balmer-line types, but there is considerable variation, as shown in Figure 6. Because the Balmer lines come to a rather flat maximum in intensity in the A-type stars, visual estimates of the Balmer-line types for metallic-line stars are not of high precision. Rather large differences exist, for example, between the Balmer-line types in the present paper and those of Roman, Morgan, and Eggen (1948) for some of the stars in common. In view of the correlation between Balmer-line type and $B - V$ colors for the metallic-line stars (Jascheks 1959; Slettebak, Bahner, and Stock 1961), the latter would be preferable in locating these stars accurately on the H-R diagram.

The Jascheks (1959) have suggested that the "metallicity" (the difference between the metallic-line type and the Balmer-line type of an object) is very probably a luminosity effect and that this point can be checked in double stars in which both components are metallic-line stars. In the four such systems in Table 1, the brighter component does

TABLE 4
VISUAL ABSOLUTE MAGNITUDES OF MAIN-
SEQUENCE DOUBLE-STAR COMPONENTS
OF SPECTRAL TYPES B2-A7

Spectral Type	M_v from Double-Star Components	M_v Keenan (1963)
B2 V	-4 9	-2 5
B3 .	-3 8	-1 7
B5	-2 1	-1 1
B7	-0 8	-0 6
B8	-0 3	-0 2
B9	+0 2	+0 2
A0	+0 6	+0 6
A1 .	+1 0	+1 2
A2	+1 3	+1 4
A3	+1 6	+1 7
A5	+2 1	+2 1

TABLE 5
VISUAL ABSOLUTE MAGNITUDES OF METALLIC-LINE STARS WITH
NORMAL COMPANIONS IN DOUBLE-STAR SYSTEMS

ADS or (BDS)	K-Line Type	Balmer- Line Type	Metallic- Line Type	M_v
(1094) B	A3	A7	F2	+1 6
3317 A	A3	A3	A7	+0 5
6175 B	A1	A3	A5	+2 2
8600 B	A5	A7	F2	+2 3
8891 B	A2	A2	A7	+2 3
11639 A	A4	A7	F0	+0 3
(9705) B	A7	A7	F2	+1 4
15493 A	A3	A4	F2	+2 5
15600 A	A3	F0	F5	+1 8
Mean	A3	A6	F0	+1 7

indeed have metallicity greater than, or equal to, that of the fainter component in each case. The Balmer-line types suffer from the uncertainty already mentioned, however, and one could better test the Jascheks' suggestion if $B - V$ photoelectric colors were available for these objects.

For the metallic-line stars with normal companions, Table 1 shows that the Am star may be either the secondary or the primary and that it may be earlier or later than its companion. The normal companion stars include A- and F-type stars, and even a K2 giant star, but no B-type stars, suggesting that metallic-line stars are probably not extremely young objects from the evolutionary point of view.

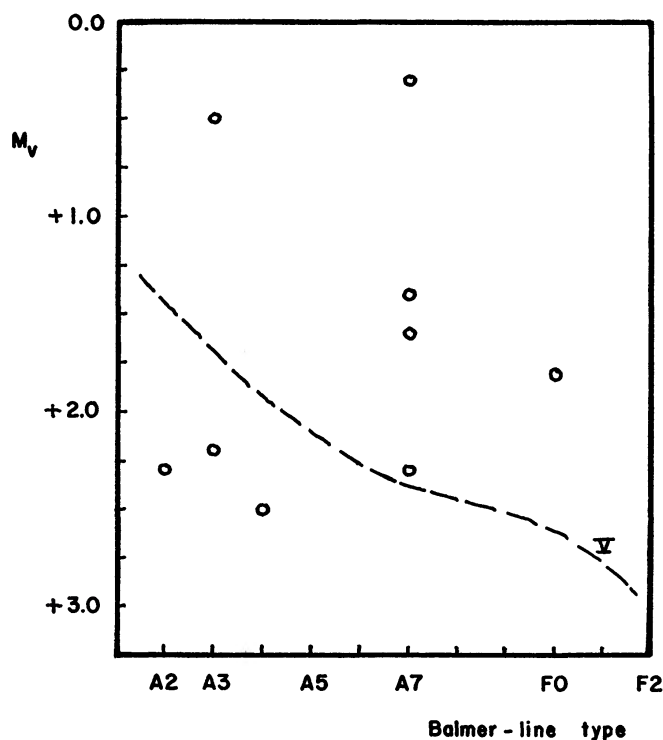


FIG. 6.—Visual absolute magnitudes of metallic-line stars, plotted against their Balmer-line types

Peculiar A-type stars.—Nine systems which are made up of a peculiar A-type star with a normal companion are listed in Table 6. A tenth system contains a peculiar A-type star with a metallic-line star companion. Visual absolute magnitudes for the peculiar components in Table 6 were again derived from the spectroscopic absolute magnitudes of their normal companions plus the observed Δm 's for the systems. These are listed in Table 6 and plotted in Figure 7 against the corresponding spectral types. Four kinds of peculiar A-type stars are represented: silicon stars, a manganese star, a strontium star, and a β CrB-type star. Only the silicon stars are present in sufficient number to yield a meaningful absolute magnitude for the group. The mean M_v for six silicon stars of mean type A0p is 0.0, which would locate these stars about $\frac{1}{2}$ mag. above the main sequence for their mean type. This result is in general agreement with earlier results (Eggen 1957).

Just as for the metallic-line stars, Table 1 shows that peculiar A-type components of double-star systems may be the primaries or the secondaries and may be earlier or later in type than their companions. They keep about the same company as do the metallic-line stars (with a possible slight preference for companions of earlier type) and probably represent about the same phase of evolution. Indeed, the system 17 Comae contains a

peculiar A-type star together with a metallic-line star, and each is a fine example of its type.

Additional stars of interest.—A number of systems in Table 1 include stars which are peculiar or of special interest for one reason or another. These systems are listed in Table 7 together with the visual absolute magnitudes of the components of interest, determined as described in preceding sections. A brief discussion of some of these stars follows:

1. *Shell stars:* The three shell stars (ADS 1B, 4749A, and 8682A) have a mean visual absolute magnitude of +0.2, which would place them about 1 mag. above the main

TABLE 6
VISUAL ABSOLUTE MAGNITUDES OF PECULIAR A-TYPE STARS
WITH NORMAL COMPANIONS IN DOUBLE-STAR SYSTEMS

ADS	Spectral Type	Peculiarity	M_v
1507 A	A1p	Silicon-chromium	+0 3
8347 B	A2p	Strontium-chromium	+2 1
8706 A	A0p	Silicon-chromium	0 0
9338 A	B9p	Manganese	+1 2
9951 C	B9Vp	Silicon	−0 2
10526 A	A0p	Silicon	−0 5
11056 B	A8p	β CrB type	+1 7
12893 A	B9p	Silicon	−0 1
15405 B	A1p	Silicon-strontium	+0 3

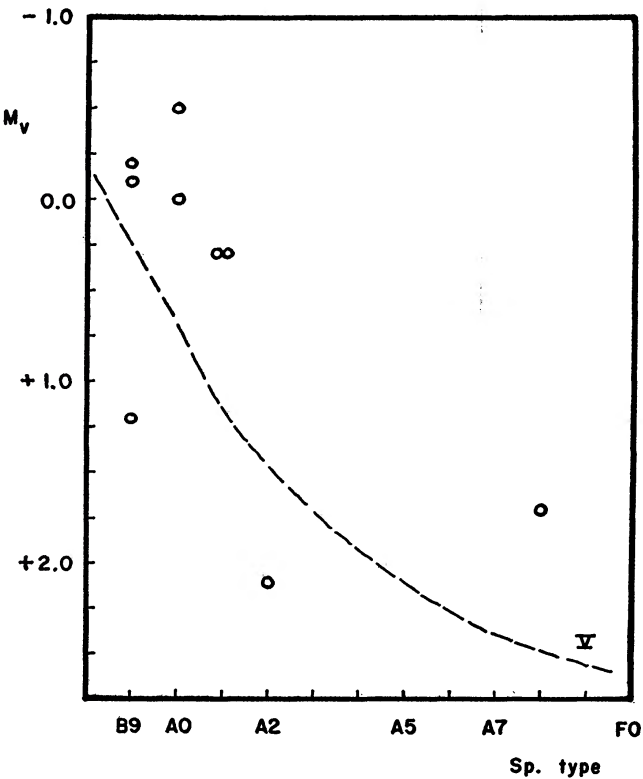


FIG. 7.—Visual absolute magnitudes of peculiar A-type stars, plotted against their spectral types

sequence for their mean spectral type. There is the possibility that the underlying stars are earlier than the spectral types in Table 7 would indicate, but they cannot be as early as B9, since He I lines are not visible in the spectra of any of these stars and the shells are not optically thick. It seems probable that these objects are indeed located somewhat above the main sequence. The rotational velocity is large for all three objects ($v \sin i = 250$ km/sec), as would be expected for shell stars, but not so large as that of some non-shell stars of corresponding type.

2. *Cepheids*: Two classical cepheid variable stars are listed in Table 7. Although the visual absolute magnitude derived for δ Cephei is approximately consistent with its period, α Ursa Minoris is too luminous. A portion, but not all, of the discrepancy may arise from the fact that the spectrogram of the companion star was not of the highest quality.

TABLE 7
VISUAL ABSOLUTE MAGNITUDES OF SOME COMPONENT STARS
OF SPECIAL INTEREST IN DOUBLE-STAR SYSTEMS

ADS	Name	Spectral Type or Peculiarity	M_v
1 B		A2 V shell	+1 5
4749 A		A1 V shell	-0 6
8682 A		A2 V shell	-0 3
1477 A	α UMi A	Cepheid	-4 3
15987 A	δ Cep A	Cepheid	-2 7
1073 A	ϕ Cas A	F0 Ia	-7 7
1630 A	γ And A	K2 II	-3 5
4134 A	δ Ori A	O9.5 II	-6 3
10966 A	67 Oph A	B5 Ib	-6 0
4179 A	λ Ori A	O8	-6 1
4186 C	θ^1 Ori C	O6	-6 0
671 B	η Cas B	K3p	+8 2
11336 B	39 Dra B	A5p	+4 0
9494 B	44 Boo B	W UMa type	+5 9 and +6 5
11745 A	β Lyr A	Variable spectrum (B6 I, IIp-B8 Iap)	-4 7
12540 A	β Cyg A	Composite spectrum (K3 II: + B:)	-2 3
13554 A	31 Cyg A	Composite spectrum (K2 II + B3 V)	-4 2
15032 A	β Cep A	Variable star (B2 III)	-3 4
	3 Cen A	Peculiar spectrum (B5 Vp)	-1 3

3. *Supergiant and luminous giant stars*: The four supergiant and luminous giant stars listed in Table 7 are all somewhat more luminous than the Keenan (1963) calibration would indicate is average for the type.

4. *Stars earlier than O9*: An O6 (θ^1 Ori C) and an O8 (λ Ori) star are included. The photometric data of Sharpless (1952) for the θ^1 Ori system was used to derive the visual absolute magnitude of θ^1 Ori C.

5. *Stars below the main sequence*: Two stars, η Cas B and 39 Dra B, appear to be located below the main sequence for the spectral types which best describe their spectra, by about 1 and 2 mag., respectively. The spectra are peculiar, with the metallic lines weak in both cases.

6. *Miscellaneous*: Table 7 also lists visual absolute magnitudes for the following peculiar components of binary systems:

ADS 9494 B = 44 Boo B. The luminosity ratio for the components of B of 0.6 by

Popper (1943) was used to derive the individual visual absolute magnitudes for this W UMa-type system.

ADS 11745 A = β Lyr A. The photometric data by Abt, Jeffers, Gibson, and Sandage (1962) were used to derive the visual absolute magnitude of this star. The spectral type of B6 V for component B leads to a value of M_v for component A that is somewhat brighter than that found by these investigators.

ADS 12540 A = β Cyg A. The visual absolute magnitude derived suggests that the K-type component of this composite may not be quite so luminous as class II.

ADS 13554 A = 31 Cyg A. The absolute magnitude determination is consistent with the estimated spectral type for this system.

ADS 15032 A = β Cep A. The value $M_v = -3.4$ derived for this β CMa-type variable is consistent with its spectral type of B2 III.

3 Cen A. The absolute magnitude found for this very peculiar object (see notes to Table 1) is consistent with the B5 V classification, which best describes its spectrum.

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