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Introduction

As it is already known, some of the spectral lines of many Oe and Be stars present Discrete Absorption Components (DACs) which due to their nature, create a complicated profile of the main spectral lines (Bates & Hallowell, 1986). The DACs are not unknown absorption spectral lines, but spectral lines of the same ion and the same wavelength as a main spectral line, shifted at different $\Delta\lambda$, as they are created at different density regions which rotate and move radially with different velocities. However, if the regions that give rise to such lines rotate with large velocities and move radially with small velocities, the produced lines have large widths and small shifts. As a result they are blended among themselves as well as with the main spectral line and thus they are not discrete. In such a case the name Discrete Absorption Components disappears and the name becomes the more suitable Absorption Components (SACs).

The presence of Satellite Absorption Components (SACs) in the N V resonance lines of 20 Oe stars of different spectral subtypes is considered. Using the method proposed by Danezis et al. (2003) on the spectra of 20 Oe stars, taken with IUE, we detect that the N V resonance lines consist of one to four Satellite Absorption Components (SACs).

With the above method we calculate the values of the apparent radial and radial velocities, the Gaussian standard deviation of the random motions of the ions, the random velocities of these motions, as well as the optical depth, the column density, the Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM), the absorbed and the emitted energy of the independent regions of matter which produce the main and the satellite components of the N V resonance lines. We also calculate the variations of some of these physical parameters as a function of the spectral subtype. We point out that the values calculation of the above parameters and their variations as a function of spectral subtype, has been performed by using the DACs or SACs theory.

Method of spectral analysis

In order to study the N V resonance lines of 20 Oe stars, we use the so-called GiGauss(R) (Rotation) – Model proposed by Danezis et al. (2005, 2007). It is already known that two dominant reasons for line broadening are the rotational velocity of the spherical region, which creates the line and the random velocities of the ions, causing Doppler broadening. Danezis et al. (2005, 2007) proposed a new approach, which includes both of these factors in the model of the spectral line.

We consider that the area of gas, where a specific spectral line is created, consists of independent absorbing shells followed by independent shells that both absorb and emit and an outer absorbing shell. Such a structure produces DACs or SACs (Danezis et al. 2003).

Finally, in Figs. 6 and 7 we present the variations of the absorbed energy (E_{abs}) in eV, of the $\lambda\lambda$ 1238.821, 1242.804 Å N V resonance lines for all the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2 or 3 satellite components of the N V resonance lines. We also calculate the values of the radial velocities, the Gaussian deviation of the ions' random motions, the random velocities of these motions, as well as the optical depth, the Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM), the absorbed and the emitted energy of the independent regions of matter which produce the main and the discrete or satellite components (DACs, SACs) of the studied spectral lines.

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Observational data

This study is based on the analysis of 20 Oe stellar spectra taken with the IUE – satellite (IUE Database <http://archive.stsc.edu/hue/>) and we examine the complex structure of the N V resonance lines ($\lambda\lambda$ 1238.821, 1242.804 Å). Our sample includes the subtypes Oe (one star), Oe (four stars), O7 (five stars) O8 (three stars) and O9 (seven stars). In our sample we detect that the N V resonance lines consists of one component in 2 stars two components in 7 stars, three in 9 stars and four in 2 stars.

The variation of the physical parameters in the N V regions of 20 Oe stars, as a function of the spectral subtype

In Fig. 1 we present the N V doublet of the O9 star HD 34656, and its best fit. The best fit has been obtained with three SACs and one emission component. The graph below the profile indicates the difference between the fit and the real spectral line. Below the fit we present the analysis of the observed profile to its SACs.

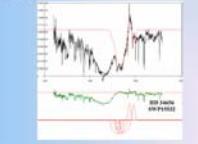


FIGURE 1: The N V $\lambda\lambda$ 1238.821 Å, 1242.804 Å resonance lines in the spectrum SIMP19041 of HD 34656. Each of N V spectral lines consists of these SACs and one emission component. Below the fit we present the analysis of the observed profile to its SACs.

The Radial Velocities

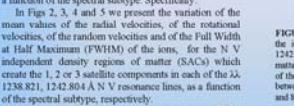


FIGURE 2. Variation of the radial velocities mean values of the N V resonance lines ($\lambda\lambda$ 1238.821, 1242.804 Å) for the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2, 3 or 4 satellite components as a function of the spectral subtype.

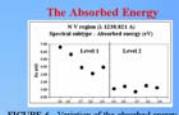


FIGURE 3. Variation of the mean radial velocities of the ion of the N V resonance lines ($\lambda\lambda$ 1238.821, 1242.804 Å) for the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2, 3 or 4 satellite components as a function of the spectral subtype. We see two levels of values. The first level has values between -100 and -100 km/s and the second level between 1.00 and -1.00 km/s.

The Rotational Velocities

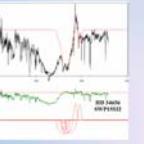


FIGURE 4. Variation of the mean random velocities of the ion of the N V resonance lines ($\lambda\lambda$ 1238.821, 1242.804 Å) for the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2, 3 and 4 SACs as a function of the spectral subtype. We see two levels of values. The first level has values between 1800 and 1100 km/s and the second level has values between 400 and 200 km/s.

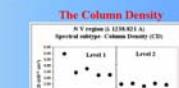


FIGURE 5. Variation of the mean random velocities of the ion of the N V resonance line λ 1238.821 Å for the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2, 3 or 4 satellite components as a function of the spectral subtype. We see two levels of values. The first level has values between 6.3 and 2.6 km/s and the second between 0.9 and 0.5 km/s.

The Column Densities



FIGURE 6. Variation of the column density (CD) in 10^{19} cm $^{-2}$ of the N V resonance line λ 1238.821 Å for the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2, 3 or 4 satellite components as a function of the spectral subtype. We note again that there are two levels with values between $3 \cdot 10^{19}$ cm $^{-2}$ and $3 \cdot 10^{18}$ cm $^{-2}$ for the first and about $2 \cdot 10^{19}$ cm $^{-2}$ for the second one.

The Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM)

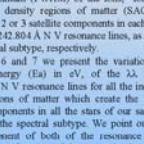
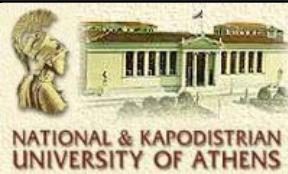
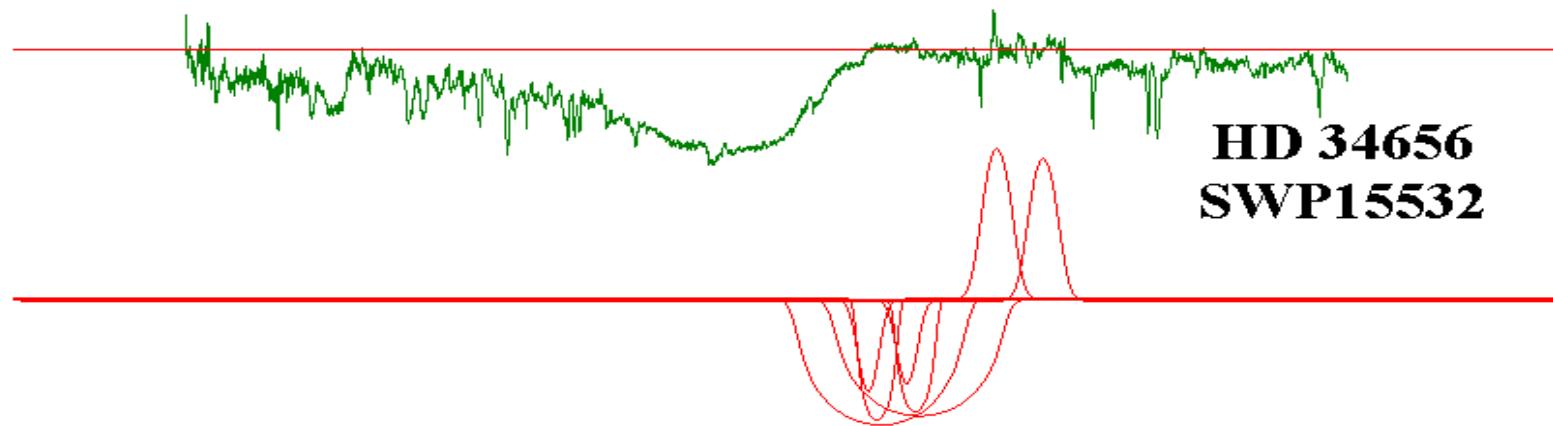
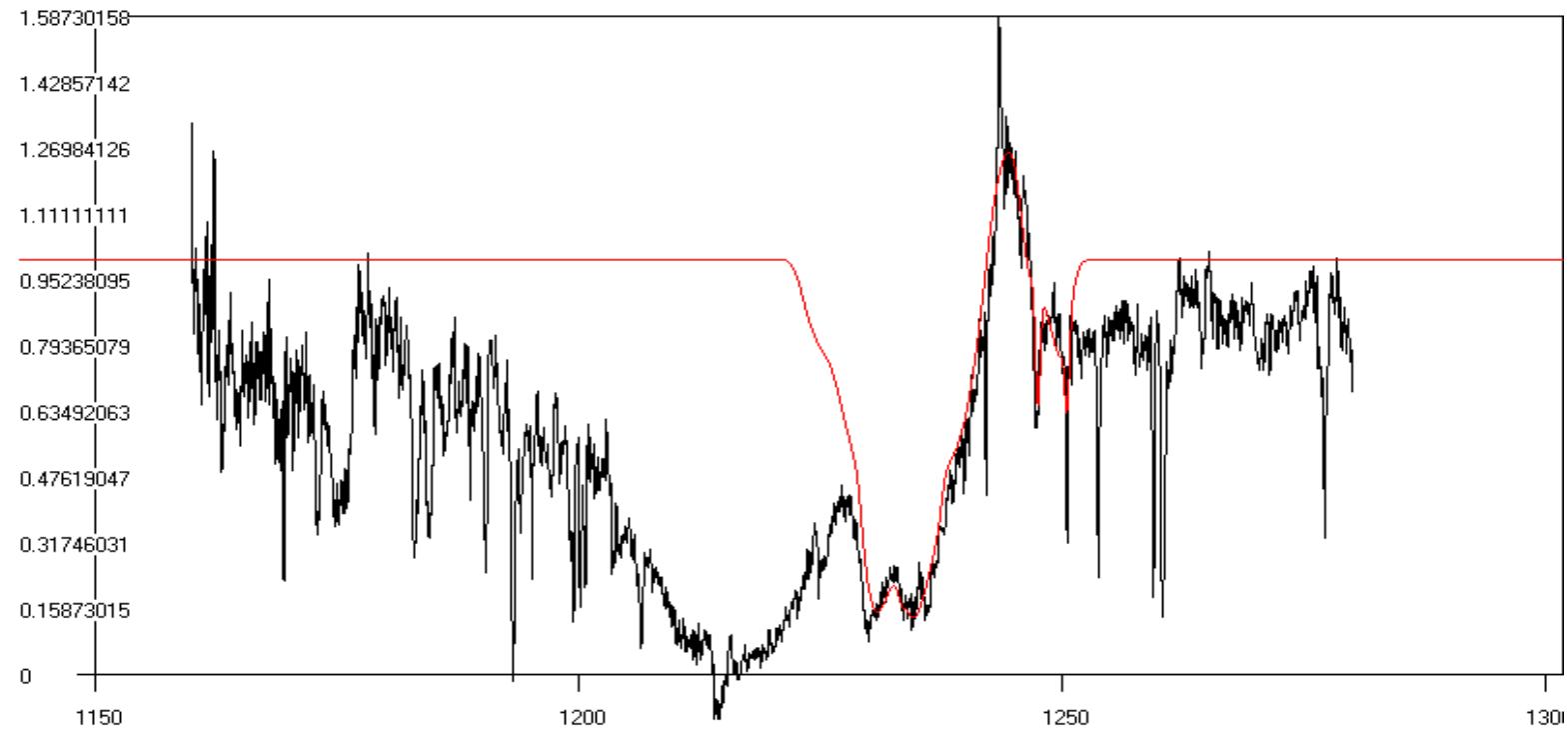


FIGURE 7. Variation of the Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM) in 10^{-19} cm $^{-1}$ of the N V resonance line λ 1238.821 Å for the independent density regions of matter which create the 1, 2, 3 or 4 satellite components as a function of the spectral subtype. We see again that there are two levels with values between $4.8 \cdot 10^{-19}$ cm $^{-1}$ and $2.7 \cdot 10^{-19}$ cm $^{-1}$ for the first and about $2 \cdot 10^{-19}$ cm $^{-1}$ for the second one.

RESULTS

Franco et al. 1983, Bates & Hallowell 1986, Crinner & Owoc 1996 noted that there are two mechanisms which create the radial velocities. The first one creates high radial velocities and the second one creates low radial velocities. We see the same phenomenon in other parameters, as the rotational velocities, the random velocities, the Full Width at Half Maximum (FWHM), the absorbed energy and the column density. All these parameters present two levels of values. The first has high values and the second has low values.



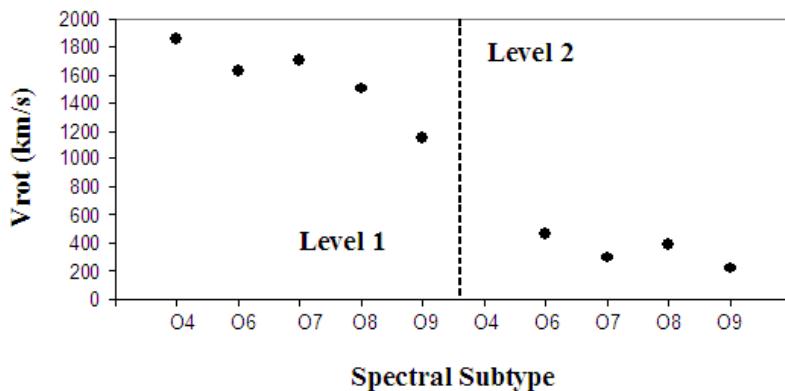
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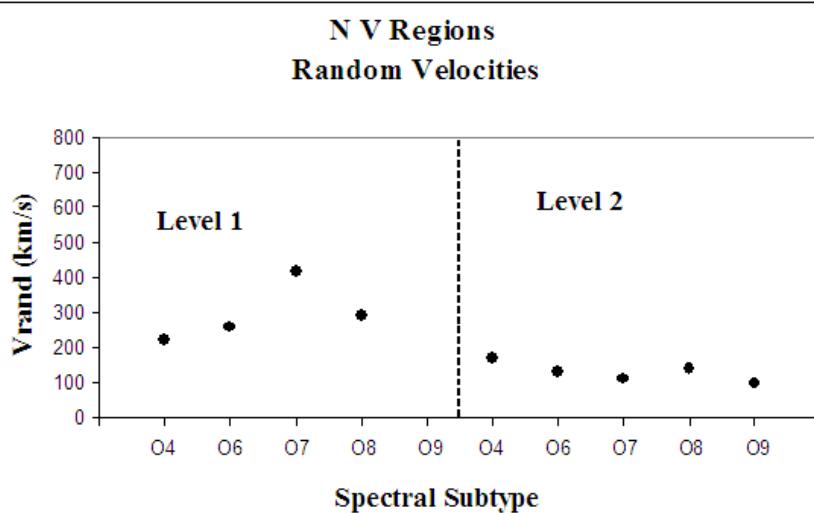
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N V Regions
Rotational Velocities



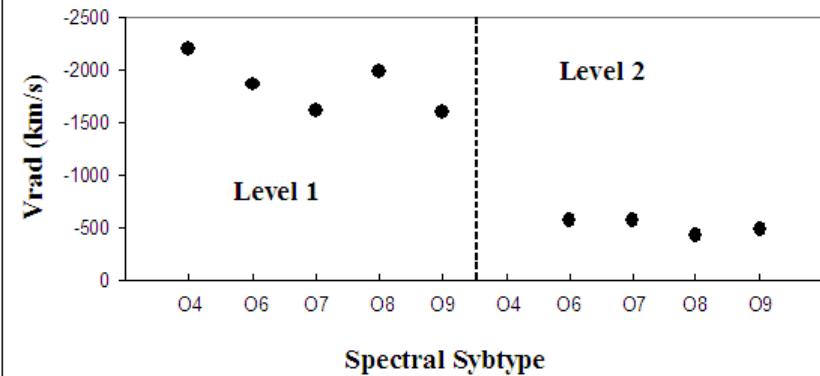
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N V Regions
Random Velocities



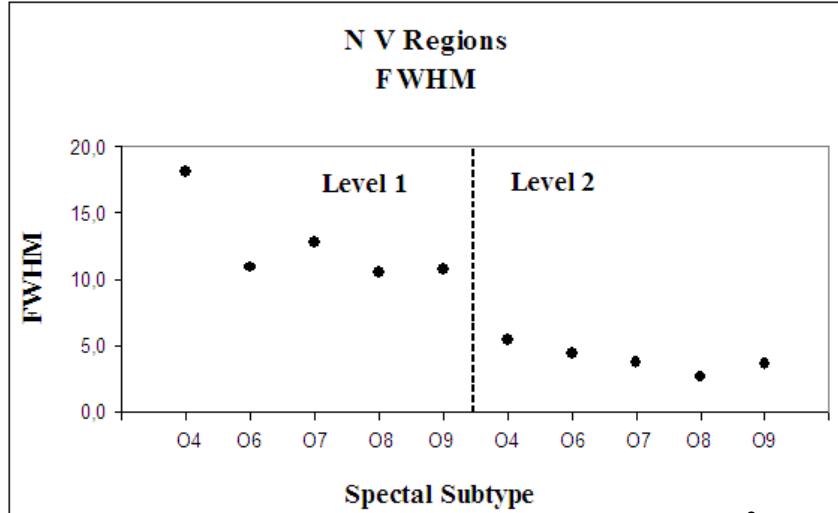
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N V Regions
Radial Velocities

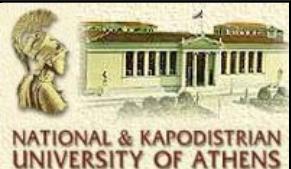


Vrad: 1st level: -2300 and -1500 km/s
2nd level: -500 and -100 km/s

N V Regions
FWHM



FWHM: 1st level: 18 and 10 Å
2nd level: 6 and 2 Å



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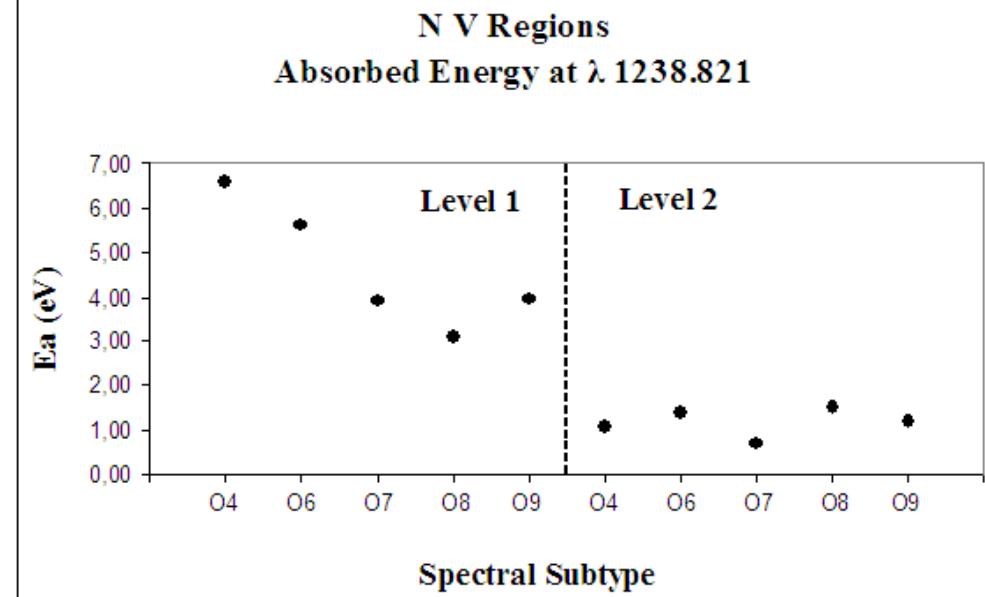
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Two levels of Absorbed Energy (E)

λ 1238.821 Å

First level: 7 and 3 eV

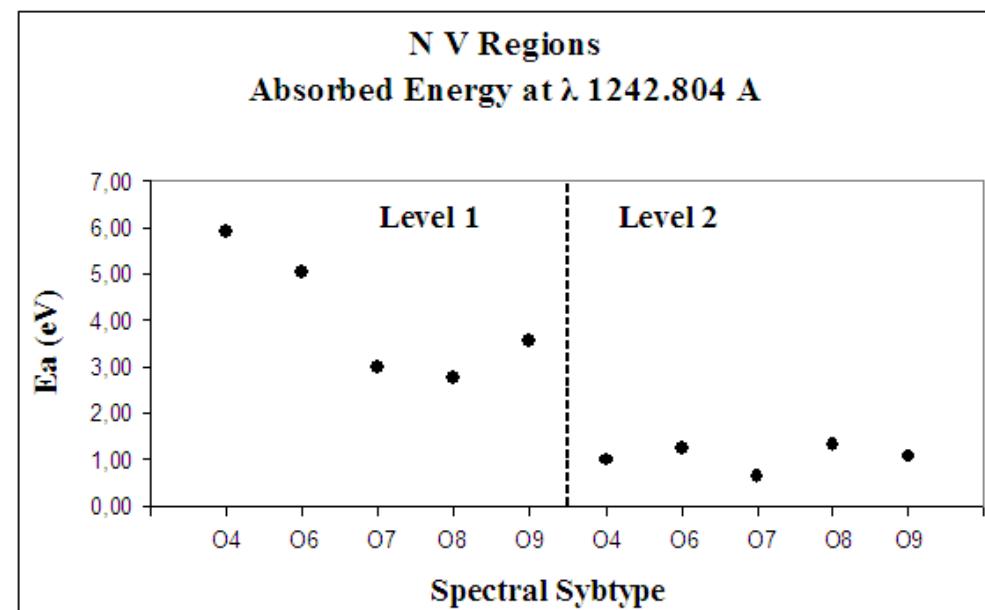
Second level: 1 and 0.5 eV



λ 1242.804 Å

First level: 6.3 and 2.7 eV

Second level: 0.9 and 0.45 eV

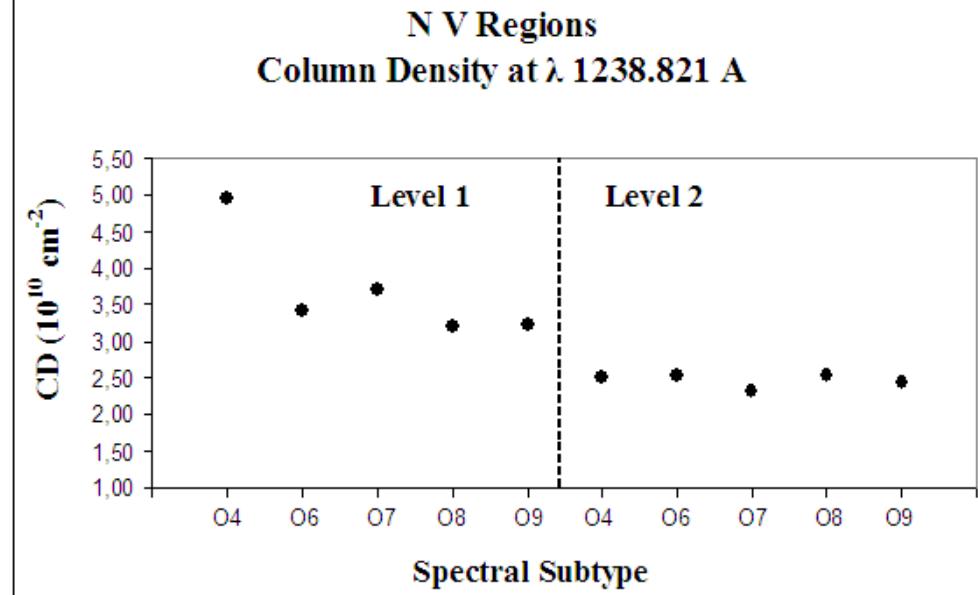


Two levels of Column Density (CD)

λ 1238.821 Å

First level: $5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ and
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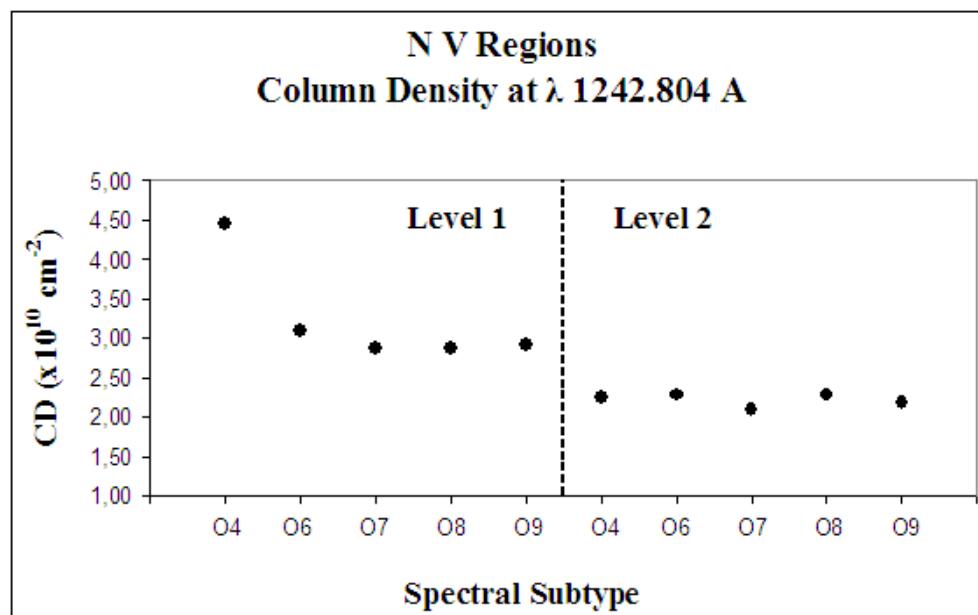
Second level: $2.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



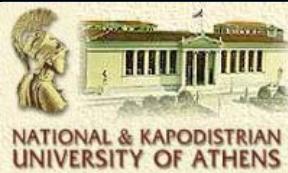
λ 1242.804 Å

First level: $4.45 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ and
 $2.7 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$

Second level: $2 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



Thank you!!!



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