Problem II: Light curves of stars (35 points)

A pulsating variable star KZ Hydrae was observed with a telescope equipped with a CCD camera. Figure 1 shows a CCD image of KZ Hya marked together with the comparison star and the check star. Table 1 lists the observation time in Heliocentric Julian dates, the magnitude differences of KZ Hya and the check star relative to the comparison star in V and R band.

The questions are:

1) Draw the light curves of KZ Hya relative to the comparison star in V and R band, respectively.
2) What are the average magnitude differences of KZ Hya relative to the comparison star in V and R, respectively?
3) What are the photometry precisions in V and R, respectively?
4) Estimate the pulsation periods of KZ Hya in V and R.
5) Give the estimation of the pulsation amplitudes of KZ Hya in V and R
6) What is the phase delay between the V and R bands, in term of the pulsation period?

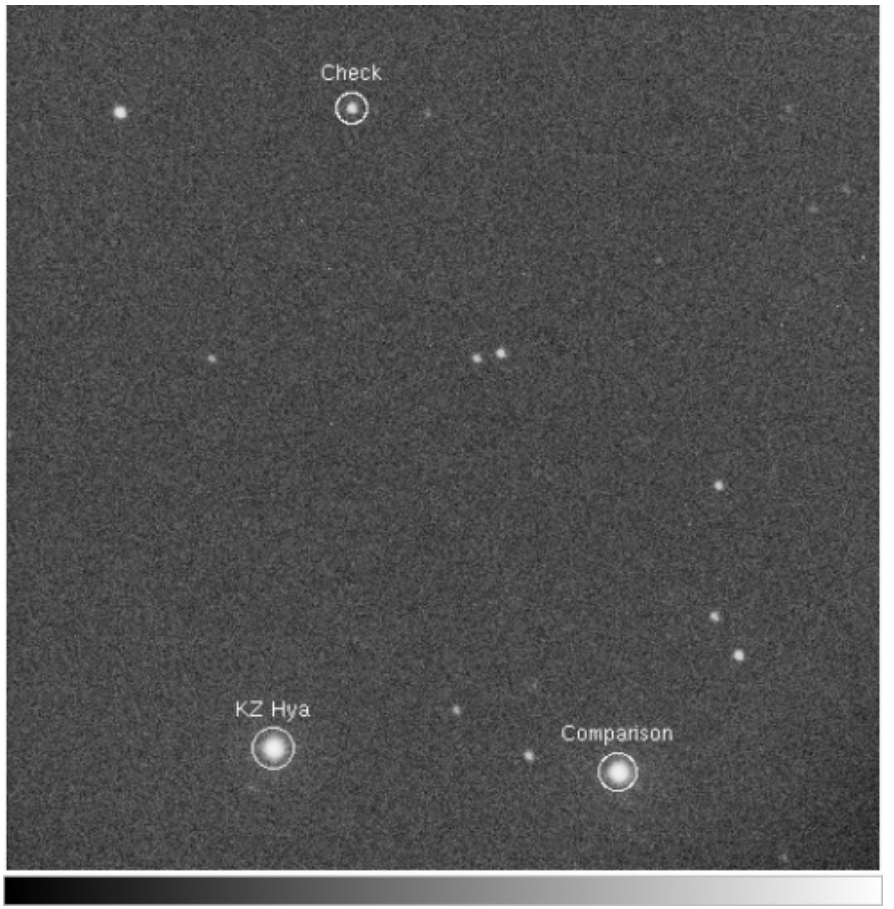


Fig. 1 for Problem II: A CCD image of KZ Hya.

Table 1 for Problem II: Data for the light curves of KZ Hya in V and R. ΔV and ΔR are KZ Hya relative to the comparison in V and R. ΔV_{chk} and ΔR_{chk} are the check star relative to the comparison in V and R.

HJD-2453800(t)	ΔV(mag)	ΔV_{chk}	HJD-2453800(t)	ΔR(mag)	ΔR_{chk}
3.162	0.068	4.434	3.1679	0.260	2.789
3.1643	0.029	4.445	3.1702	0.185	2.802
3.1667	-0.011	4.287	3.1725	-0.010	2.789
3.1691	-0.100	4.437	3.1749	-0.147	2.809
3.1714	-0.310	4.468	3.1772	-0.152	2.809
3.1737	-0.641	4.501	3.1796	-0.110	2.789
3.1761	-0.736	4.457	3.1820	-0.044	2.803
3.1784	-0.698	4.378	3.1866	0.075	2.805
3.1808	-0.588	4.462	3.1890	0.122	2.793
3.1831	-0.499	4.326	3.1914	0.151	2.793
3.1855	-0.390	4.431	3.1938	0.177	2.782
3.1878	-0.297	4.522	3.1962	0.211	2.795
3.1902	-0.230	4.258	3.1986	0.235	2.796
3.1926	-0.177	4.389	3.2011	0.253	2.788
3.195	-0.129	4.449	3.2035	0.277	2.796
3.1974	-0.072	4.394	3.2059	0.288	2.783
3.1998	-0.036	4.362	3.2083	0.296	2.796
3.2023	-0.001	4.394	3.2108	0.302	2.791

3.2047	0.016	4.363	3.2132	0.292	2.806
3.2071	0.024	4.439	3.2157	0.285	2.779
3.2096	0.036	4.078	3.2181	0.298	2.779
3.2120	0.020	4.377	3.2206	0.312	2.787
3.2145	0.001	4.360	3.2231	0.313	2.804
3.2169	0.001	4.325	3.2255	0.281	2.796
3.2194	0.005	4.355	3.2280	0.239	2.795
3.2219	0.041	4.474	3.2306	0.115	2.792
3.2243	0.009	4.369	3.2330	-0.111	2.788
3.2267	-0.043	4.330	3.2354	-0.165	2.793
3.2293	-0.183	4.321	3.2378	-0.152	2.781
3.2318	-0.508	4.370	3.2403	-0.088	2.787
3.2342	-0.757	4.423	3.2428	-0.014	2.780
3.2366	-0.762	4.373	3.2452	0.044	2.766
3.2390	-0.691	4.427	3.2476	0.100	2.806
3.2415	-0.591	4.483	3.2500	0.119	2.791
3.2440	-0.445	4.452	3.2524	0.140	2.797
3.2463	-0.295	4.262	3.2548	0.190	2.825