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# Lithium abundance in K/G giants

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# MOTIVATION I:

Investigation of the Li abundance as a function of metallicity, effective temperature and stellar mass in a large sample of giant is helpful to understand the chemical evolution history of the Galaxy, as well as in the study of the mixing process in stellar interiors.

# MOTIVATION II:

- **1% Li-rich G/K giants** from literatures

Standard stellar evolutionary models predict Li dilution by a factor of about 30 -60 for 1-5 solar-metallicity stars. Therefore, RGB stars are expected to show lithium abundance with **1.3-1.7 dex**.

- **Find Li-rich giants**, to provide essential material for testing hypotheses about Li-enrichment.

# MOTIVATION III:

## Dwarfs:

Lithium in stars with and without planet had conflicting conclusions:

- Lithium dilute more in stars with planet (Israelian et al. 2004, Chen et al. 2006)
- There is no different between PHS and non-PHS

## Giants:??

- **Have not been explored for such big sample of giants**

# MOTIVATION IV:

Chemical composition is different in the thin and thick-disk stars, particularly for alpha and oxygen.

## Dwarfs:

Ramirez 2012 investigate for dwarfs and sub-giants, and observe a differences.

## Giants:??

With a catalog supplement of Luck 2007, can be used to explore the difference properties

# SAMPLE SELECTION

**321** targets from **Okayama Planet search program**, stellar parameters are taken from Takeda et al. (2008)



**57** targets from **Xinglong Planet search program**, stellar parameters are taken from Liu et al. (2010)



**378** targets

# SPECTRA

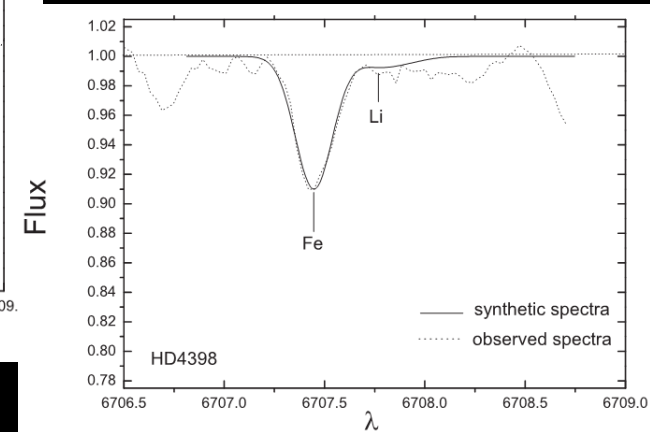
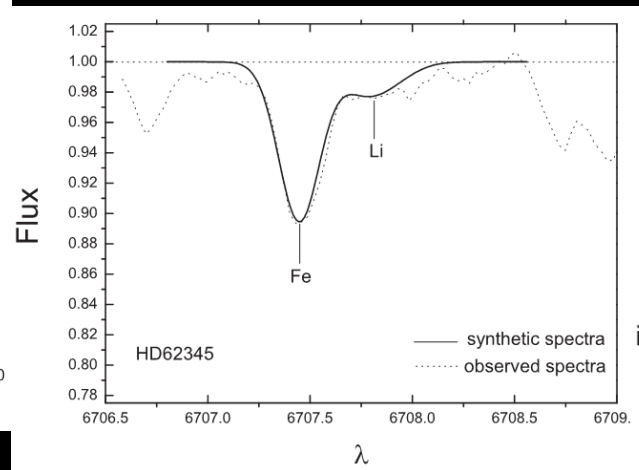
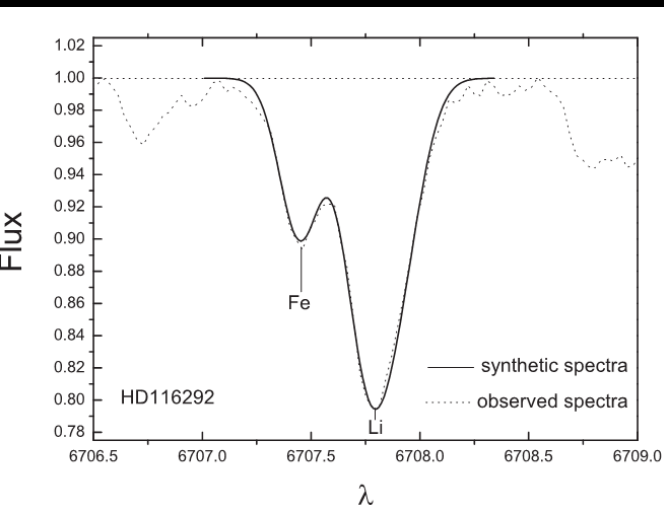
**Wavelength coverage:** 400-754 nm

**R-67000, S/N > 200**

**I<sub>2</sub> superposed spectra**, the stellar spectral lines located in the region of 500-630nm were heavily blended with the absorption feature of I<sub>2</sub>. The uncertainty of EW cause by I<sub>2</sub> around 670nm is estimated be 2mÅ.

# DATA REDUCTION

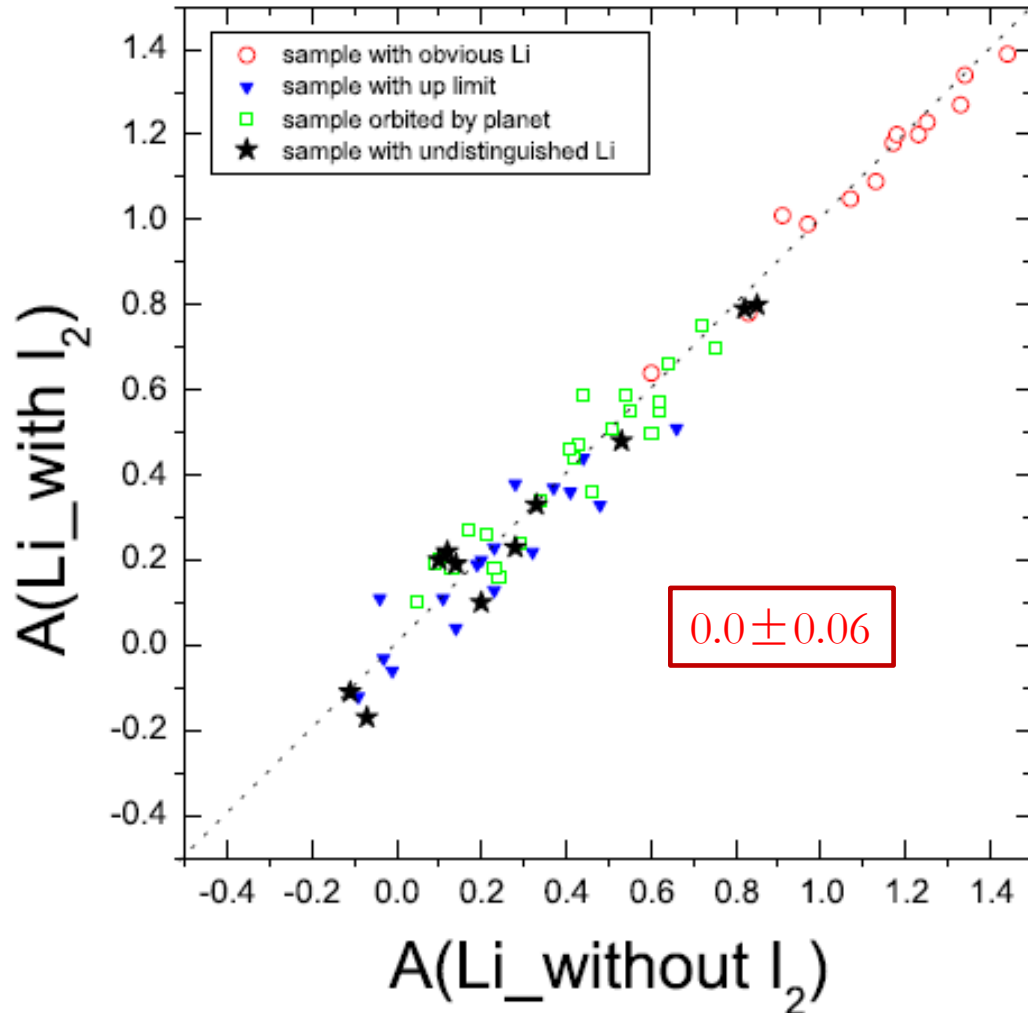
**Spectral synthesis** with the IDL/Fortran SIU package developed by Reetz (1998)



Best fits obtained between observed and synthetic spectra for three typical stars.



# LITHIUM ABUNDANCE FROM SPECTRA WITH I<sub>2</sub> AND WITHOUT I<sub>2</sub>



# ERROR ANALYSIS

Systematic errors introduced by the atmospheric parameters

100k in  $T_{\text{eff}}$ ,

0.1 dex in  $\log g$ ,

0.2 in microturbulence

→ 0.1 dex

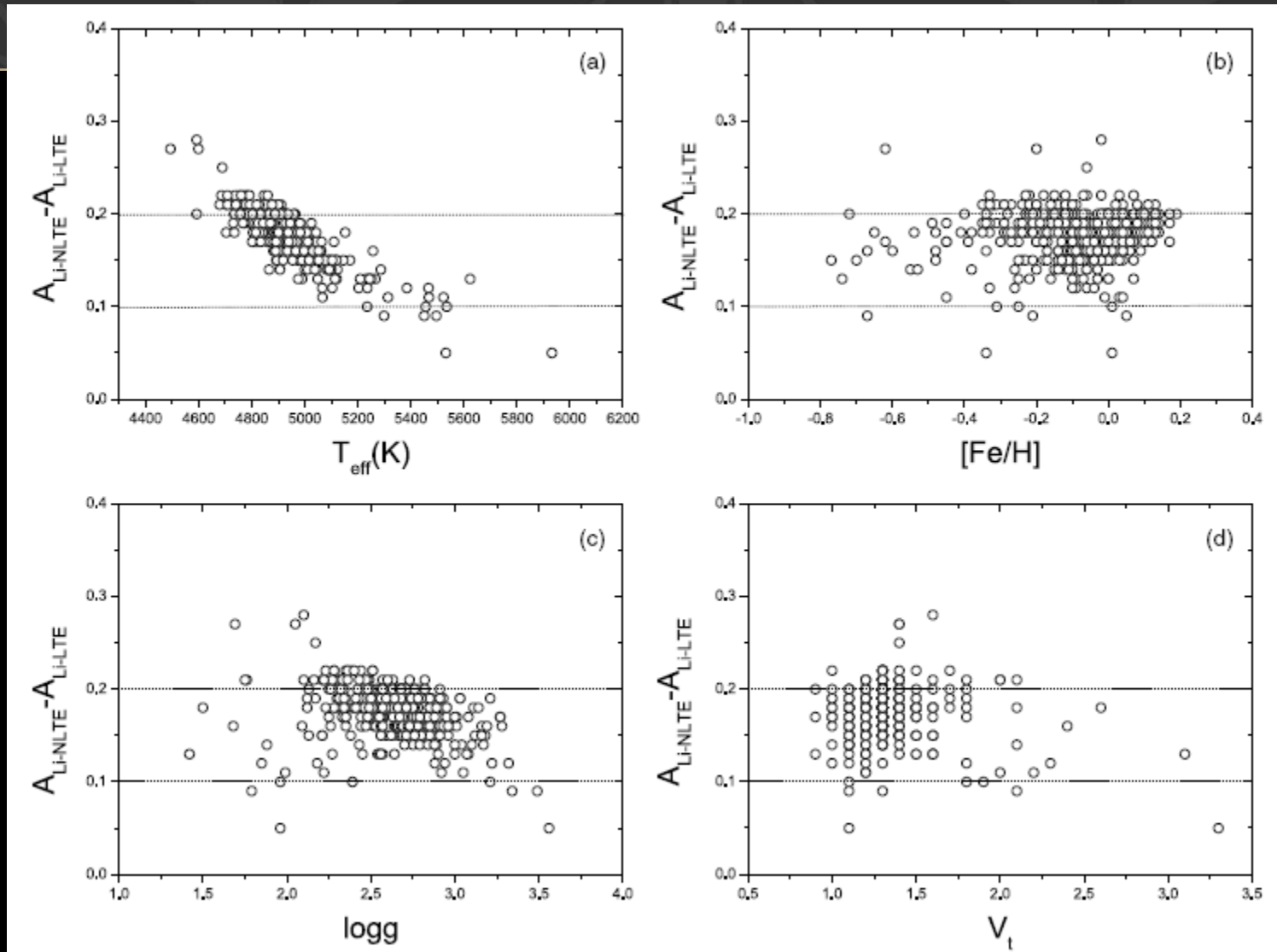
Uncertainty in the stellar continuum → 0.1 dex



The overall uncertainty in  $A(\text{Li})$  is less than 0.14 dex

# NLTE CORRECTION

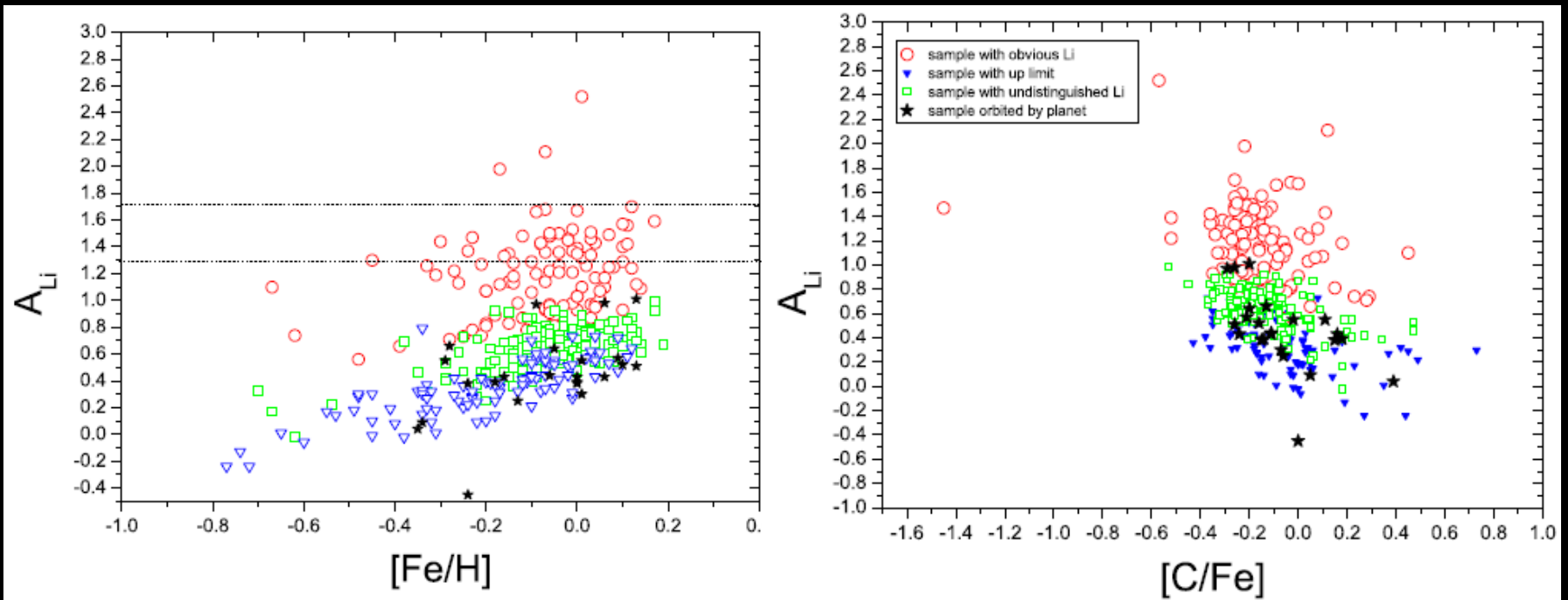
Based on interpolation code of Lind et al. 2009



NLTE correction is **very sensitive to the temperature**

0.05–0.28 dex, average of 0.18 dex for most sample

# LI-RICH AND LI-NORMAL STARS



Far more depleted than theoretical predicted

3 Li-rich stars

36 Li-normal stars

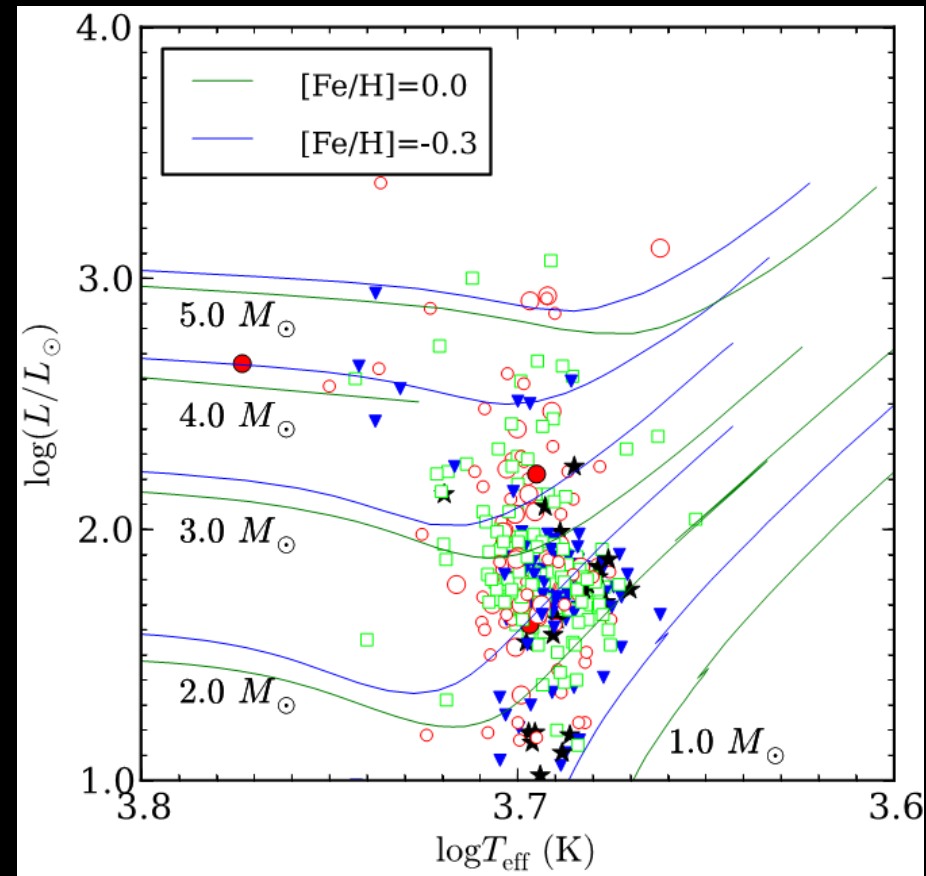
339 Li-depleted stars: may have already existed at the main sequence phase

8/23 compared with 273/355 have detected Li value, suggest Li is easy to deplete in PHS.

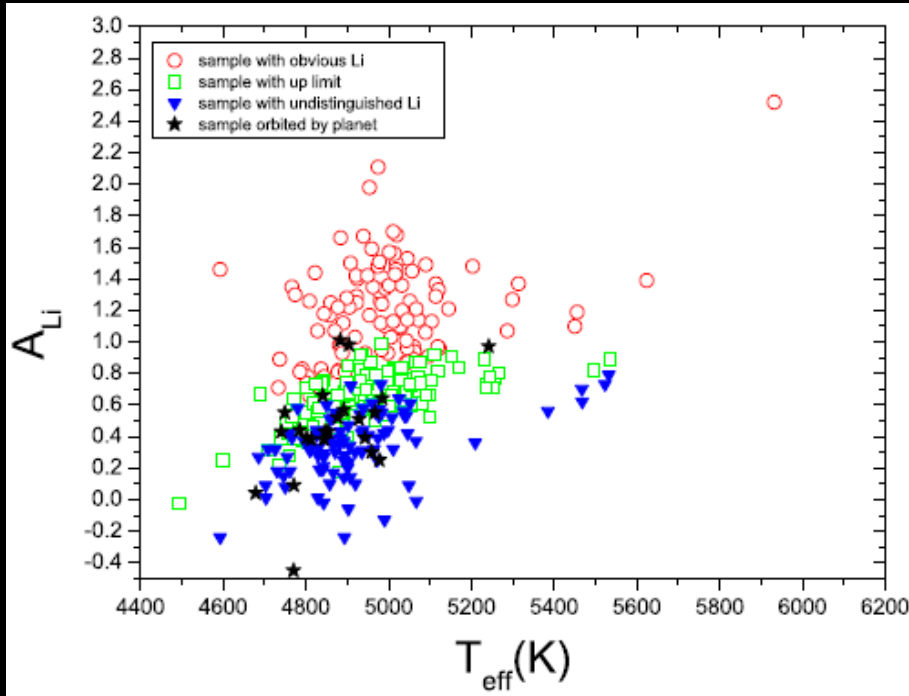
# LI-RICH AND LI-NORMAL STARS

HD65228 just began to develop a Convective envelope.

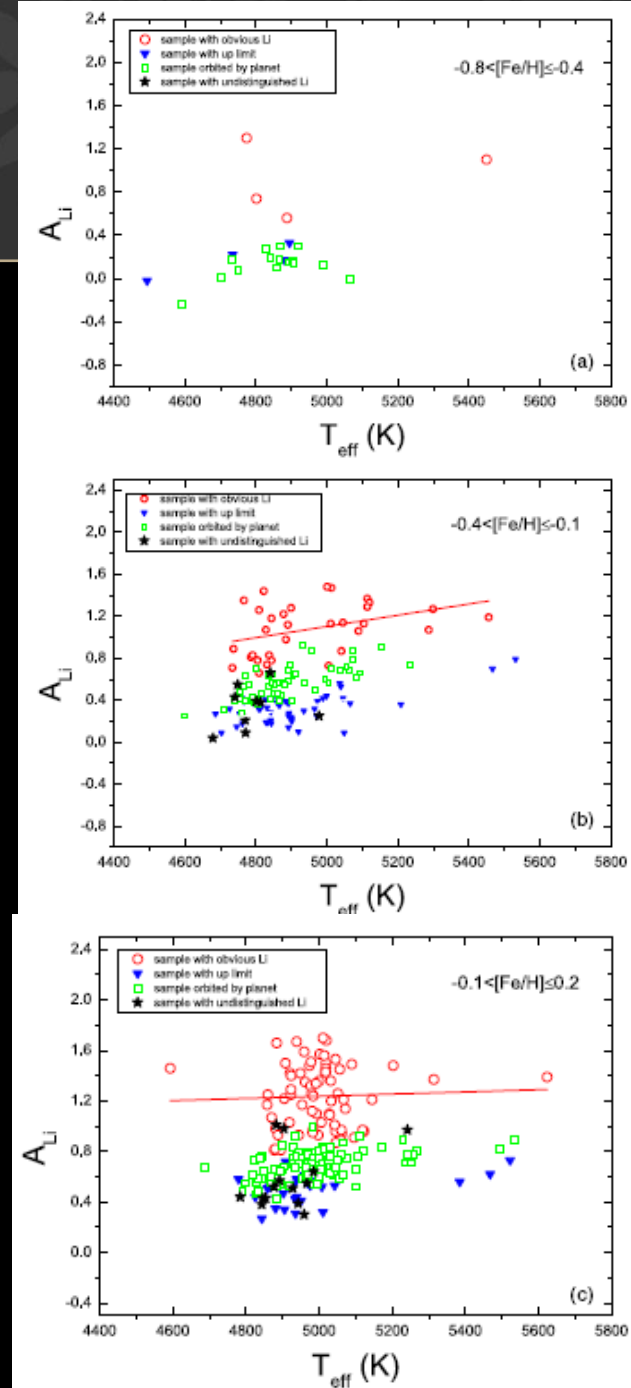
For the other two li-rich giants, the most reasonable explanation is that **they have undergone a Li-production period.**



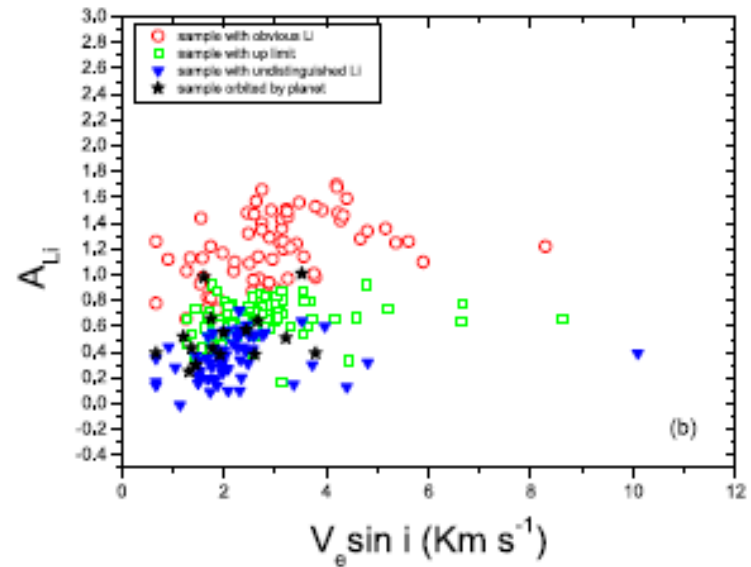
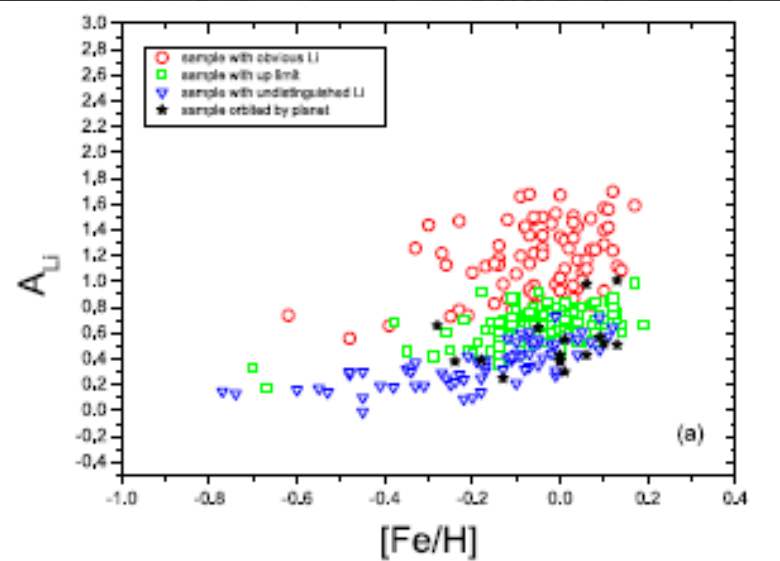
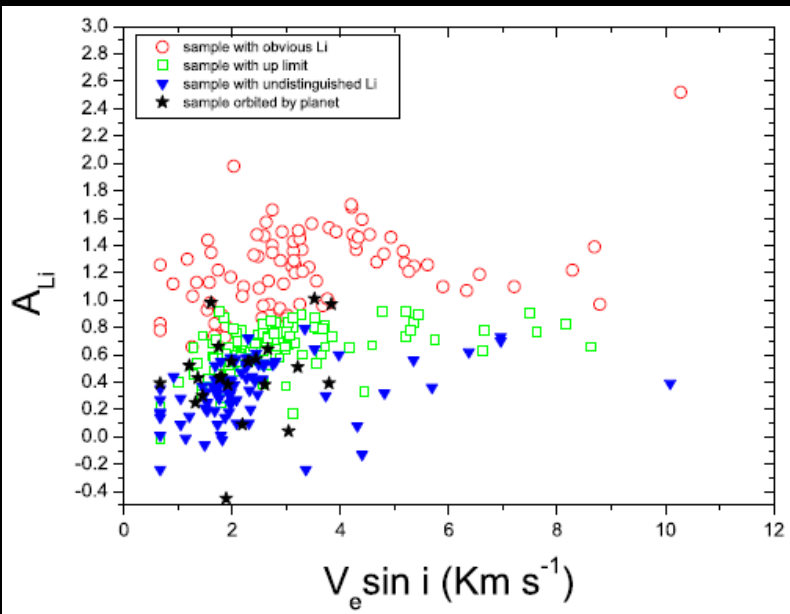
# A(Li) VS. EFFECTIVE TEMPERATURE



- Detecting limit increase with increasing  $T_{eff}$
- 4800-5100K: there is no clear relationship
- $>5100K$ :  $A_{Li}$  increase with increasing  $T_{eff}$



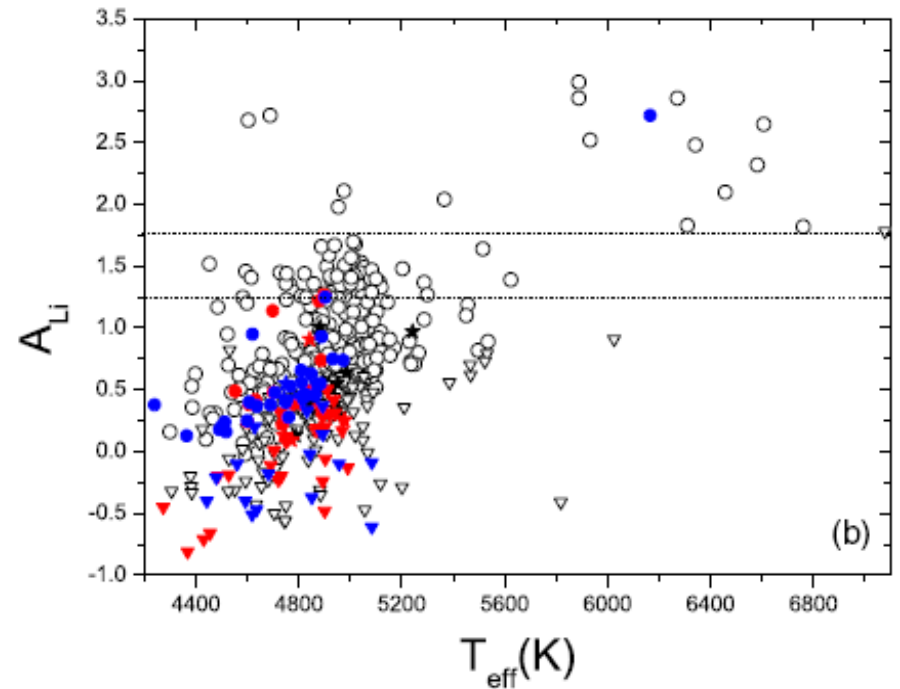
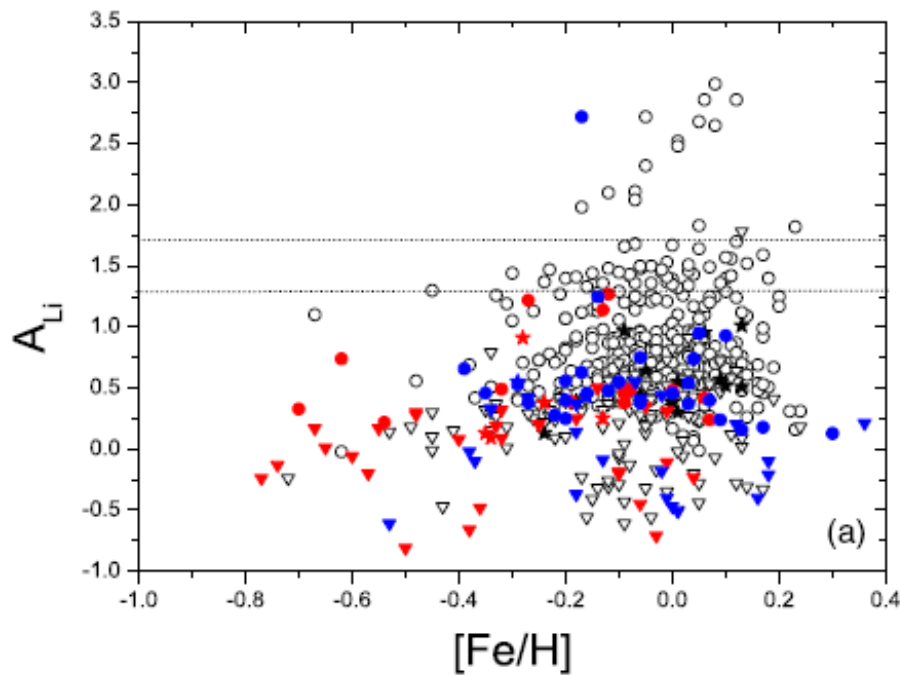
# A(LI) VS. ROTATIONAL VELOCITY



<10km/s: no trend  
All PHS < 4.0 km/s

# THIN/THICK DISK DIFFERENCE

+ 187 stars from Luck & Heiter 2007 = 565 red giants



Lithium abundances are lower in thick-disk stars than those in thin disk stars. **Li is more depleted in thick-disk**, since they are more older.

**No notable difference between SWPs in thin- and thick-disk.**



# CONCLUSIONS

**The Li deplete far excess** compared with theoretical prediction, suggesting Li deficiency may have already existed at the main sequence stage. Less than 1% of giant are Li-rich.

**For SWP, Li is easy to deplete.** All SWP have a slow rotational velocity due to lower rotational velocity showing a suitable pattern to detect planet by radial velocity method.

For **stars within 4800-5100K, there is no clear relationship of Li and  $T_{\text{eff}}$ .**

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